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1 **The Kamchatka volcano orchestra – Remote sensing reveals communication**
2 **between volcanoes of the Klyuchevskoy Volcanic Group**

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17 **Abstract**

18 Volcanoes are traditionally considered isolated with an activity that is mostly independent of the
19 surrounding, with few eruptions only (<2%) associated with a tectonic earthquake trigger. Evidence is now
20 increasing that volcanoes forming clusters of eruptive centers may simultaneously erupt, show unrest, or
21 even shut-down activity. Using infrared satellite data, we detail 20 years of eruptive activity (2000-2020) at
22 Klyuchevskoy, Bezymianny, and Tolbachik, the three active volcanoes of the Klyuchevskoy Volcanic Group
23 (KVG), Kamchatka. We show that the neighbouring volcanoes exhibit multiple and reciprocal interactions on
24 different timescales that unravel the magmatic system's complexity below the KVG. Klyuchevskoy and
25 Bezymianny volcanoes show correlated activity with time-predictable and quasiperiodic behaviors,
26 respectively. This is consistent with magma accumulation and discharge dynamics at both volcanoes, typical
27 of steady-state volcanism. However, Tolbachik volcano can interrupt this steady-state regime and modify the
28 magma output rate of its neighbors for several years. We suggest that below the KVG the transfer of magma
29 at crustal level is modulated by the presence of three distinct but hydraulically connected plumbing systems.

30 Similar complex interactions may occur at other volcanic groups and must be considered to evaluate the
31 hazard of grouped volcanoes.

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33 **1. Introduction**

34 Closely located or clustered volcanoes may become conjointly active and are hence considered especially
35 hazardous, yet robust evidence for their connectivity remains sparse. Examples of such a synchronized
36 volcanic activity are discussed for neighboring volcanoes in Iceland¹, Alaska², Kamchatka^{3,4}, Italy⁵, and
37 elsewhere^{6,7}, although larger time-scale synchronicity has been also reported for global volcanism⁸. Reasons
38 for the linked activity of adjacent volcanoes are only poorly understood and may be locally different, including
39 triggering by large tectonic earthquakes and associated stress changes within the crust⁹⁻¹⁴, and the
40 competition of volcanoes for common reservoirs^{3,15}. Conjoint unrest and deformation activity at clustered
41 volcanoes occurs with temporal delays of days to months (or even more) and appears to be distance-
42 dependent⁷. Magmatic sources spaced less than about 10 km apart tend to interact, whereas those spaced
43 over 25 km do not⁷. However, interactions over longer distances (>20 km) have been hypothesized for
44 volcanoes that share a common deep source, or in response to large dike intrusions or subduction
45 earthquakes⁷. While observations suggest positively correlated feedback (one volcano triggers the other
46 one), only a few examples^{5,16} underline the existence of anti-correlated activity (i.e., volcanic unrest may shut
47 down activity in the neighborhood).

48 Previous studies of correlated and anti-correlated volcanism are mainly based on poor data and reduced or
49 biased eyewitness accounts. This is because reports often describe a singular, possibly sporadic occurrence
50 of conjoint activity change, where eruptions are more likely to be reported than periods of quiescence and
51 decreasing activity. Robust and statistically significant testing of repeat observations was not yet achieved
52 and may overcome some of the reporting limitations.

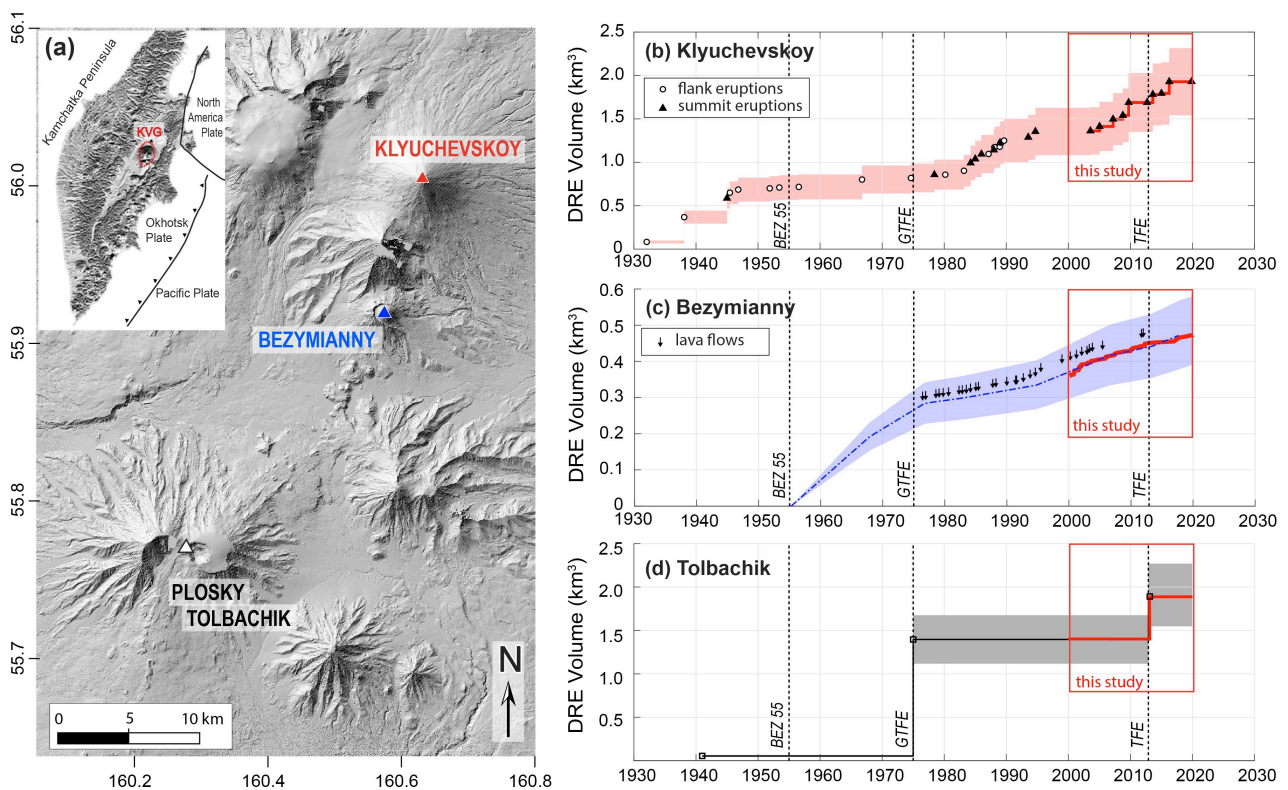
53 Here we employed a unique time-series of satellite thermal data (from 2000 to 2020) derived from the
54 Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer (MODIS) sensor¹⁷, to study potential volcano interactions
55 within the Klyuchevskoy Volcano Group (KVG) in Kamchatka (Russia). The KVG hosts three adjacent (~10 to
56 30 km distant) active volcanoes (Klyuchevskoy, Bezymianny, and Tolbachik), with contrasting eruptive
57 products that possibly indicate different magmatic sources and a compound multilevel feeding system^{18,19}.
58 Whether this composite feeding system forms a single interconnected trans-crustal magmatic system²⁰, and
59 in which degree the three volcanoes interact remains so far an open question^{21,22}.

60 The Klyuchevskoy Volcanic Group (KVG) has been monitored for >50 years by the Kamchatkan Branch of the
61 Geophysical Survey of the Russian Academy of Sciences (KBGS). Due to harsh climate conditions, the
62 monitoring system mainly consists of seismic stations and webcams. Nowadays, 17 telemetric stations

63 transmit the data to the central monitoring office, where it is being analyzed in real-time²³ and allowed to
 64 investigate the deep structure of KVG²⁴. Although localized and dense seismic networks were installed for
 65 short-term times^{25,26}, these experimental networks do not permit decade-long analysis and robust statistics,
 66 so that details on eruption occurrence and eruption rates remained hidden. As this work shows, satellite
 67 thermal remote sensing reveals complex interactions under the KVG, whereby each volcano is able to
 68 influence its neighbors. Distinct eruptive activity appears sometimes in chorus and sometimes separate,
 69 comparable to an orchestra.

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73 **Figure 1.** (a) Distribution of volcanic centers within the Klyuchevskoy Volcanic Group (KVG). Right panels show
 74 the Cumulative Dense Rock Equivalent (DRE) volumes of lavas erupted between 1930 and 2020 for (b)
 75 Klyuchevskoy²¹, (c) Bezymianny⁴⁴, and (d) Tolbachik⁵⁷. All volumes are recalculated for DRE using: (i) a magma
 76 density of 2800 kg m^{-3} and an average density of lava flows of 2500 kg m^{-3} for Klyuchevskoy and Tolbachik⁵⁷;
 77 (ii) a magma density of 2500 kg m^{-3} and an average density of lava dome of 2000 kg m^{-3} for Bezymianny⁴¹. A
 78 standard error of $\pm 20\%$ (colored fields) takes into account uncertainties in the estimates of bulk volumes and
 79 densities of erupted products. Red bold lines within insets, correspond to satellite-derived volumes (this
 80 work; see Methods). The grey bars outline the timing of the Bezymianny eruption in 1955-56 (BEZ55), the
 81 Great Tolbachik Fissure Eruption in 1975 (GTFE) and the Tolbachik Fissure Eruption in 2012 (TFE). Shaded
 82 relief map derived from ArcticDEM digital elevation model (<https://www.pgc.umn.edu/data/arcticdem/>)
 83 and elaborated using QGIS version 3.16.3 (<http://qgis.osgeo.org>); Time series generated using MATLAB software
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88 2. The Klyuchevskoy Volcanic Group (KVG)

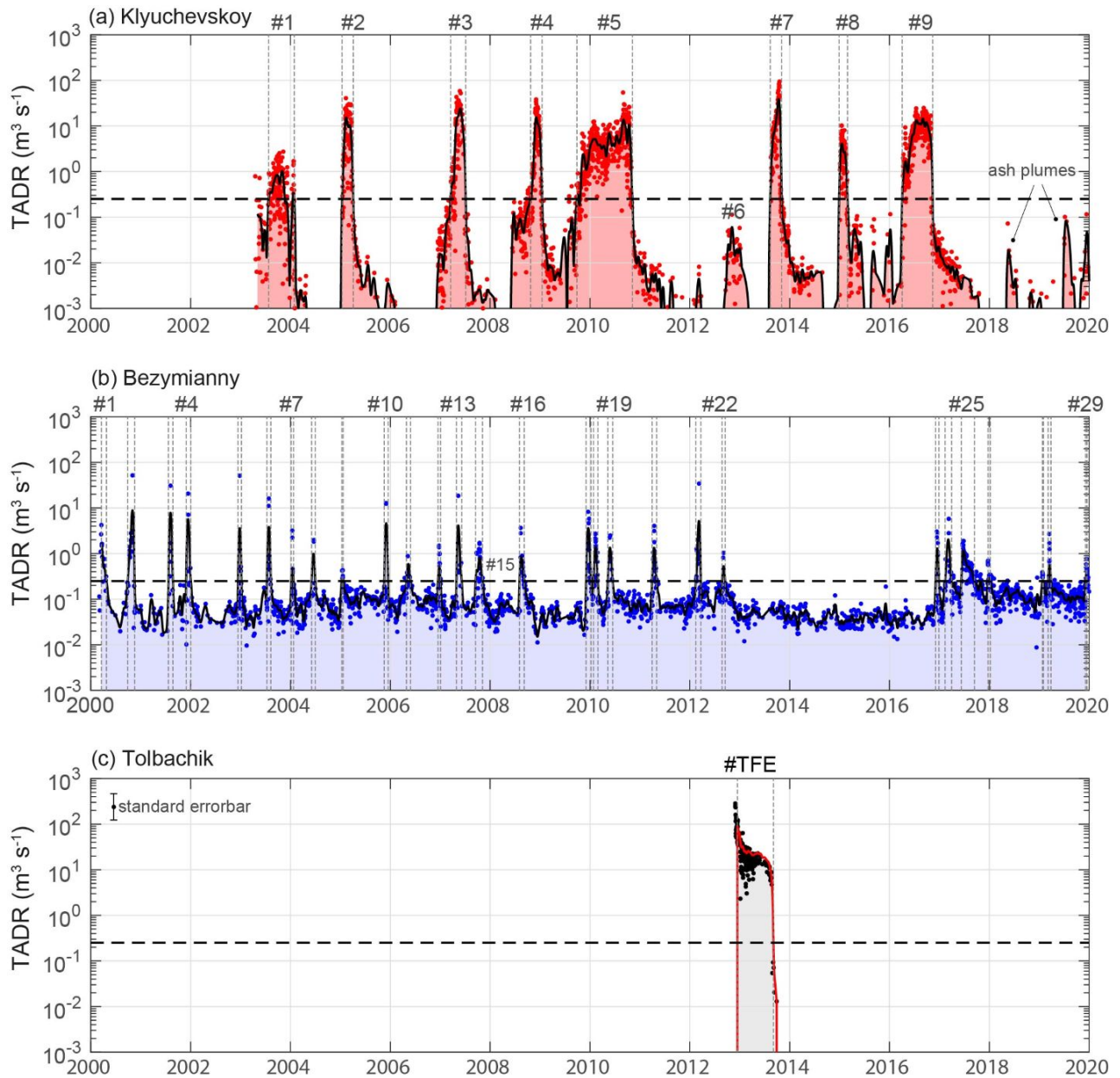
89 The KVG is a prominent volcanic massif located in the northern part of the Central Kamchatka Depression.
90 Dozens of volcanic centers were built during the construction of the massif, which currently has three active
91 volcanoes: Klyuchevskoy, Bezymianny, and Tolbachik (Fig. 1a). The KVG is a very active and relatively young
92 volcanic massif mainly developed during the last 300–400 ka²⁷. Volcanism is fed by sub-arc mantle, melted
93 under an influx of melts and fluids from the subducting Pacific plate²⁸⁻³². Additional influx of hot mantle
94 following recent slab detachment³³, and interaction with metasomatized mantle^{34,35} contribute to the
95 exceptional level of volcanic activity in the area and the very diverse volcanic manifestations and products.
96 Seismic activity of the KVG volcanoes is abundant and includes long periods of sustained tremors as well as
97 numerous volcano-tectonic (VT) and long-period (LP) events. The latter mostly occur at two depth ranges:
98 above 5 km and close to 30 km²². Geophysical and petrographic data have been used to infer that all the KVG
99 volcanoes are fed by a common parental magma³⁶. However, different isotope compositions of rocks from
100 Klyuchevskoy and Bezymianny^{19,34} do not support such view, in favor of multiple magma sources, with only
101 limited interaction.

102 Klyuchevskoy volcano (4750 m a.s.l) is the highest in the group and one of the world's most active volcanoes.
103 Its recent activity is characterized by the effusion of voluminous basaltic andesite lava flows, often associated
104 with moderate to violent explosive activity. Between 1930 and 2005, the volcano has erupted an estimated
105 $\sim 1.5 \times 10^9$ m³ of lava³⁷ (dense rock equivalent; DRE), with an average magma output rate (DRE) of ~ 0.67 m³
106 s⁻¹. The output rate accelerated since 1978, associated with a change in the eruptive pattern that shifted from
107 flank- to summit-dominated eruptions³⁷ (Fig.1b). After nine years of rest, in 2003, the volcano began a new
108 activity phase characterized by nine summit eruptions until December 2019³⁸. Seismic, geodetic, and
109 petrographic data^{18,21,22,25,37} suggest that Klyuchevskoy's eruptions are fed through a sub-vertical, pipe-like
110 conduit extending to a depth of 30-50 km below the volcano, where the primary magma reservoir is located.
111 On its way to the surface, the magma is stored at a depth of 15-25 km and then transported further upwards
112 to a shallow (3-5 km deep) peripheral reservoir²⁴. During ascent, the magma evolves from high-Mg low-Al
113 basalt to low-Mg high-Al basaltic andesite³⁹, making it different from the eruptive products of the other active
114 KVG volcanoes³⁶. Eventually, before the conduit reaches the summit crater, numerous radial dikes depart
115 and feed eruptions at the mid- and lower-volcano flanks^{21,37}.

116 Bezymianny is an andesitic volcano (2,882 m a.s.l.) that reawakened in 1955-56 with a paroxysmal eruption
117 (VEI 5) that disrupted the old cone forming a large horseshoe-shaped crater⁴⁰. Since then, near-continuous
118 lava dome growth was accompanied by mostly explosive activity^{41,42}. The greatest rate of dome growth

119 occurred during the first two decades until 1977 (Fig. 1c), when lava flows were observed for the first time
120 marking a pivotal change in the volcano's dome growth mechanism⁴²⁻⁴⁴. Ever since then, Bezymianny's
121 eruptions showed a recurrent cyclical behavior depicted by extrusive-explosive-effusive activity^{41,42}. Previous
122 works⁴⁵⁻⁴⁹ outlined how this cyclic activity was accompanied by precursory thermal radiation preceding the
123 explosive events by few weeks to days. Until 2017, more than 55 distinct episodes of dome-growth filled
124 most of the 1956 collapse amphitheater^{38,42} gradually developing a stratocone with an average growth rate⁴⁴
125 of $\sim 0.30 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ (blue line in Fig. 1c). Geophysical and petrological data suggest a multi-level magma plumbing
126 system beneath Bezymianny volcano with at least three crustal reservoirs located between 10-18 km, 5-8
127 km, and < 2 km depth^{18,26,50-54}.

128 The Tolbachik massif comprises two large stratocones, Ostry ("Sharp") Tolbachik (3682 m a.s.l.) and Plosky
129 ("Flat") Tolbachik (3085 m a.s.l.), in the southernmost part of the KVG⁵⁵ at approximately 30 km distance to
130 Kluchevskoy and ~ 20 km distance to Bezymianny (Fig. 1a). A 70 km long zone of monogenetic basaltic cones
131 extends across the Plosky Tolbachik cone; whose southern branch was the place of the 1975-1976 Great
132 Tolbachik Fissure Eruption (GTFE)⁵⁶. This eruption produced extensive lava fields composed of high-
133 magnesium and high-aluminum basalts, from northern and southern vents, respectively⁵⁵. With a total DRE
134 volume of $\sim 1.5 \times 10^9 \text{ m}^3$ (Fig. 1d), it was one of the largest basaltic eruptions in Kamchatka during historical
135 times⁵⁶. After the GTFE, no signs of activity were recorded until November 2012, when increased seismic
136 activity heralded the beginning of a new eruption⁵⁷. The 2012-2013 eruption took place at the south flank of
137 the Plosky Tolbachik cone and was dominated by Hawaiian-style activity associated with an emplacement of
138 a large lava field⁵⁸. During the 205 days of activity, a lava volume of $\sim 0.5 \times 10^9 \text{ m}^3$ was erupted, with a gently
139 declining trend throughout the whole eruptive period⁵⁸. Satellite geodesy could reveal the intrusion of a 6.1
140 km long dike intrusion, opening up to 8 m, adding almost 10% to the total eruption volume⁵⁹. The activity
141 ceased entirely by the end of August 2013. According to Koulakov et al.¹⁸, one magmatic pathway of Tolbachik
142 appears to be connected with the marginal part of the Klyuchevskoy deep reservoir, and another seems to
143 originate from an independent mantle source located to the south of Tolbachik.



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145 **Figure 2** – Time-series of the Time-Averaged lava Discharge Rate (TADR; logarithmic scale) for (a)
 146 Klyuchevskoy, (b) Bezymianny, and (c) Tolbachik. Single satellite measurements (dots) are interpolated and
 147 smoothed (line) to provide continuous data. The horizontal dashed lines represent the threshold of 0.25 m^3
 148 s^{-1} used for automatized detection of eruptions (see Methods section). The start and end of each eruptive
 149 period (labelled on the top of each plot) are marked by the vertical dashed lines. The error for every single
 150 datapoint is $\pm 50\%$. The time series is generated using MATLAB software (www.mathworks.com).

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153 **3. Remote sensing of eruption effusion rates**

154 We calculated the Time-Averaged lava Discharge Rate (TADR) and the erupted lava volumes at the three
 155 volcanoes by using MODIS infrared data acquired between March 2000 and December 2019 (bold lines in
 156 insets of Fig. 1b,c,d) determined with the MIROVA system^{17,60}. Details of the methodology and associated

157 limits are described in the *Methods* section accompanying this paper. A TADR threshold of $0.25 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ is used
158 to automatically recognize the main eruptive periods at each volcano (Fig. 2), and to quantify the eruption
159 parameters summarized in Table 1.

160 **3.1. Klyuchevskoy**

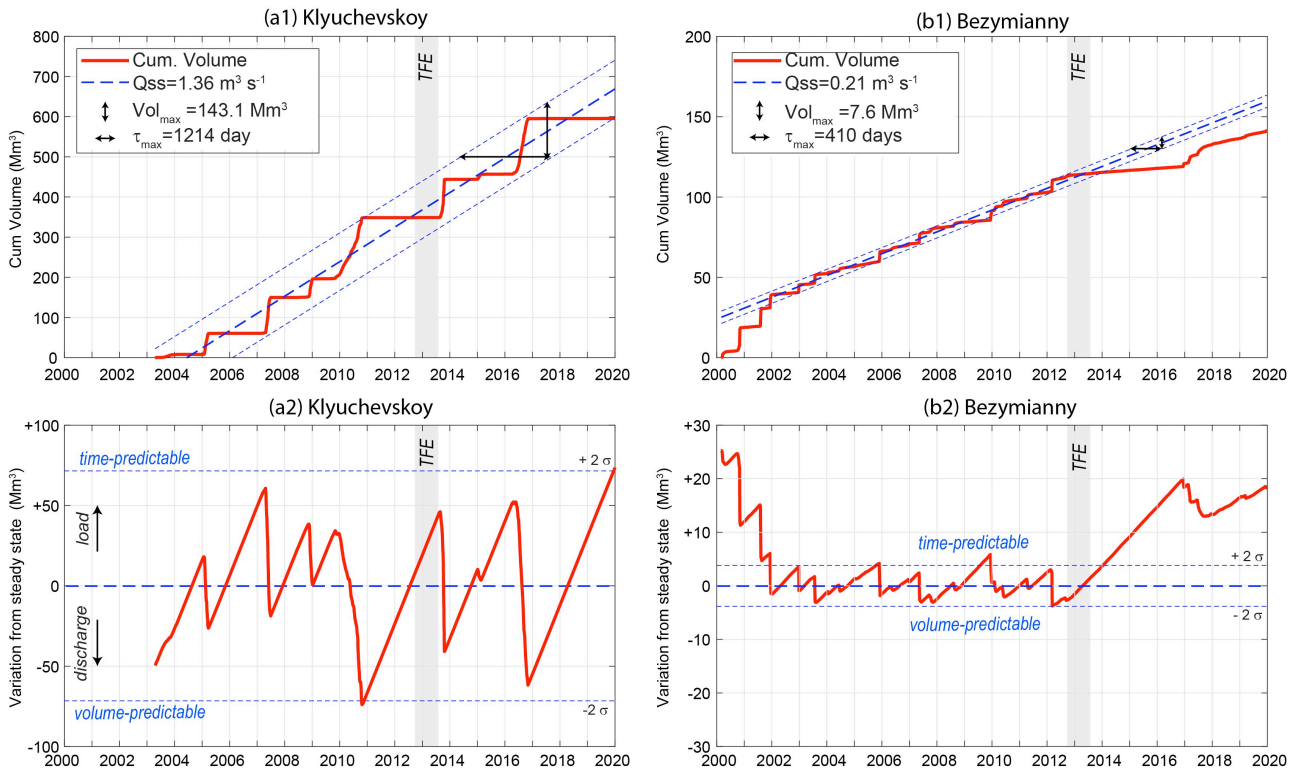
161 Nine eruptions occurred at Klyuchevskoy between 2003 and 2020 (Fig.2a). Of these, eight were automatically
162 recognized (see Methods), and one was manually selected, based on observations of Ozerov et al.³⁸ (eruption
163 #6; Table 1). Most of the eruptions (#2,3,4,5,7,8,9; Table 1a) produced lava flows along the flanks of the
164 volcano³⁸ and created lava volumes ranging from ~ 10 to $150 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ each, with a Mean Output Rate (MOR:
165 total volume of eruption/duration) ranging between 2.5 and $10 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ and a maximum TADR often higher
166 than $30 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ (Table 1a). Only two eruptions (#1,6; Table 1a) were limited to moderate explosive activity
167 inside the summit crater³⁸ characterized by much lower volumetric output ($< 10 \text{ Mm}^3$) and discharge rates
168 (maximum TADR $< 2.5 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$; Table 1a). For some eruptions (#3,4,5; Fig. 2a), the onset of lava effusion was
169 preceded by a precursory phase of several weeks, identified by increased fumarolic activity and degassing³⁸.
170 In other cases, the beginning of the eruption was rather rapid, without any apparent thermal precursory
171 phase (#2,7,8,9; Fig. 2a). The eruptive trends of Klyuchevskoy are often characterized by a TADR that
172 increases with time to reach values of $10\text{-}100 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ immediately before the effusion suddenly ceases (Fig.
173 2a). The volumetric output of the 20 years (Fig. 2) defines the most recent period of intense activity of
174 Klyuchevskoy characterized by a steady-state output rate (Q_{ss}) of $1.36 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ ($1.21 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ DRE; Fig 3a), which
175 is almost twice the average output since 1930 (Fig. 1b1). Notably, the cumulative curve in Fig. 3a shows a
176 clear sawtooth pattern typical for steady-state volcanism⁶¹ whereby each step is either produced by (i) an
177 unbuffered arrival and eruption of discrete magma batches, or (ii) a partial or complete discharge of a shallow
178 reservoir that is fed by a constant magma supply. A similar pattern could be also explained if the arrival of
179 discrete magma batches is controlled by a steady-state destabilization of magma reservoirs, produced by
180 passive degassing during quiescence, which can trigger magma ascent from depth⁶²⁻⁶⁴. Whatever the model,
181 the two lines, which envelope the sawtooth curve (parallel to the linear trend $\pm 2\sigma$; Fig. 3a), define the
182 maximum size (maximum eruptible lava volume) and maximum response time of the individual eruption,
183 respectively⁶¹. For Klyuchevskoy, these values are approximately $143 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ and 1214 days. The analysis of
184 inter-eruption time distribution (*Methods*) suggests a relatively strong periodicity (Fig. 4a). The degree of
185 periodicity can be quantified by the coefficient of variation (CV), which is zero for perfect periodicity, one for
186 randomness, and larger than one for clustering. In the case of Klyuchevskoy's eruptions, we found a CV equal
187 to 0.38 and the inter-eruption time positively correlated to the size of the last event (correlation coefficient
188 of 0.65), as expected for time-predictable systems (Fig. 4a). A load and discharge model is thus envisaged for
189 Klyuchevskoy (Fig. 3), whereby an eruption starts when the upper, critical volume threshold is accumulated
190 in the shallow reservoir⁶⁵. The resumption of eruptive activity on November 2019⁶⁶ further supports a time-

191 predictable behavior (*Methods*), which is in agreement with the achievement of a critical volume as shown
192 in Fig. 3a.

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194 **3.2. Bezymianny**

195 Thermal data acquired over Bezymianny (Fig. 2b) are indicative of an open-vent volcano, persistently emitting
196 hot volcanic products. The retrieved long-term eruptive pattern can be subdivided into two distinct regimes:
197 (1) a continuous low-level regime, associated with passive degassing and possibly related to “endogenous
198 growth,” and (2) an intermittent high-level regime, associated with short-term (days to weeks) extrusive-
199 explosive-effusive cycles. A TADR threshold of $0.25 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ separates the two regimes and automatically
200 recognizes 28 out of the 29 major eruptive cycles between 2000 and 2019^{38,42} (Table 1b). The only undetected
201 event occurred on 5 November 2007, when strong cloud coverage over the volcano prevented the detection
202 of this short-lived event (Table 1). Each eruption cycle is characterized by erupted volumes ranging from
203 ~ 0.15 to $\sim 15 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ and peak TADRs between 0.35 to $52 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ (Table 1b). The average duration of each
204 eruptive cycle is $26.7 (\pm 20.7; 1\sigma)$ days, much shorter than the average inter-eruption time of 222.7 days. The
205 cumulative volume curve of Bezymianny is essentially controlled by the sudden steps associated with the
206 eruptive cycles detected by MODIS (Fig. 3c). Between 2000 and mid-2002, eruptions reached higher TADR
207 peaks, causing a steeper cumulative volume curve than in the rest of the time series (Fig. 3c). Although this
208 may reflect a higher magma output rate in this period, it is also possible that the dataset is biased by the fact
209 that only one satellite was operating in that period (see *Methods*). Similar to Klyuchevskoy, the cumulative
210 curve of the volumes erupted between May 2002 and September 2012 suggests steady-state volcanism for
211 Bezymianny⁶¹, which is characterized by an average output rate of $\sim 0.21 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$, a maximum eruptible volume
212 of $\sim 7.6 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$, and a maximum repose time of 410 days (Fig. 3c and 3d). A notable lack of eruptive cycles
213 occurred between September 2012 and December 2016 (Fig. 2b). This anomalously long rest period (low
214 thermal regime) is also visible in Fig. 3b and 3c, where the cumulative volume curve diverges horizontally
215 from the steady-state model. According to Wadge⁶¹, this pattern occurs at steady-state volcanoes when
216 magma is not being supplied into the shallow reservoir, here either because magma is not being generated
217 or a neighboring volcano is capturing it. Bezymianny's activity resumed at the end of 2016 and continued
218 intermittently with an output rate similar to the 2002-2012 period. The analysis of inter-eruption times
219 (*Methods*) suggests a quasi-periodic behavior ($CV=0.5$) for Bezymianny's activity until 2012 (Fig. 4b), which is
220 completely lost when including the whole dataset (Fig. 4c). No correlation is found between the inter-
221 eruption times and volumes released during the last or the next eruption (Fig. 4). Although the lack of
222 correlation can be due to the significant uncertainties affecting the Bezymianny time series (*Methods*), we
223 may not exclude the role of a time-varying upper threshold (strength) of the shallow magmatic system⁶⁵.



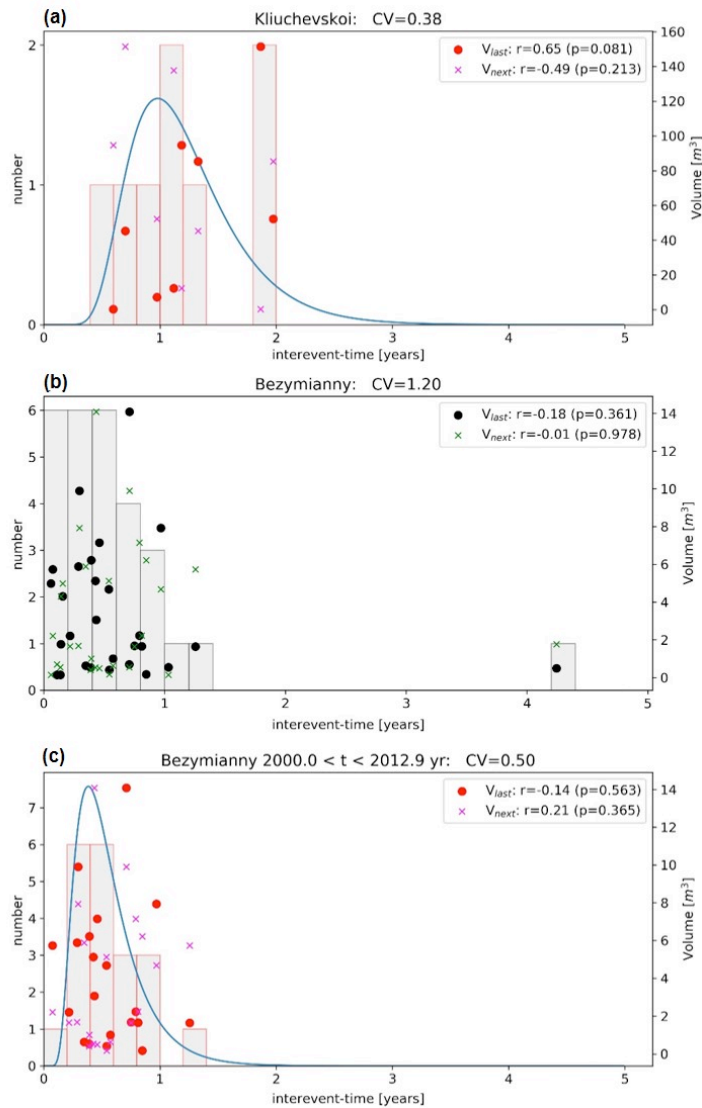
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225 **Figure 3 – Upper panels.** Cumulative volume curves for (a1) Klyuchevskoy and (b1) Bezymianny, derived from
 226 satellite measurements (see Methods). The linear fits of each cumulative curve represent the linear growth
 227 model (blue thick dashed lines) and provide the steady-state output rate (Q_{ss}). The two parallel lines (linear
 228 model ± 2σ) define the maximum eruptible volume (Vol_{max}) and the maximum response time (τ_{max}) for the
 229 inferred steady-state condition. **Lower panels.** Load and discharge model for (a2) Klyuchevskoy and (b2)
 230 Bezymianny. The variation from the steady-state is calculated as the residual between the linear growth
 231 model and the observed cumulative volume curves. A two-fold standard deviation (± 2σ) of residual is used
 232 to define the upper and lower volume limits for the load-discharge model. In this plot, a time-predictable
 233 system would have a near-constant upper threshold of the volume load when eruptions occur. A volume-
 234 predictable system would have a near-constant lower threshold. An entirely predictable system would have
 235 both. The gray bar indicates the timing of the 2012 Tolbachik Fissure Eruption (TFE). Time series generated
 236 using MATLAB software (www.mathworks.com).

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238 3.3 Tolbachik

239 The eruption of Tolbachik (November 2012 – August 2013) commenced suddenly on 27 November 2012,
 240 producing an initial TADR peak of about 300 m³ s⁻¹. This initial activity resulted in the emplacement of a lava
 241 flow that reached a length of about 15 km in a few days⁶⁷. Effusion rates decrease roughly exponentially
 242 during the following ten months of continuous effusive activity. The eruption stopped between 23 and 27
 243 August 2013 when the TADR suddenly lowered from 7-9 to less than 0.25 m³ s⁻¹. The eruption emplaced a
 244 volume of ~0.5 × 10⁶ m³ in 302 days⁵⁸, which is up to 4000 times the volume commonly erupted at
 245 Bezymianny volcano (>0.15 × 10⁶ m³, see above).



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247 **Figure 4** - Inter-eruption times distribution (bars) for (a) Klyuchevskoy, (b) Bezymianny - whole period (2000-
 248 2020), (c) Bezymianny - pre-Tolbachik eruption (2000-2012). The coefficient of variation (CV), a measure for
 249 the eruption's periodicity, is provided in the title of each plot. Symbols show the eruption volume (right axis)
 250 in all three panels as a function of the inter-eruption time, where points and crosses refer to the volume of
 251 the last and next event, respectively. The correlation coefficient (r) between volume and interevent-time
 252 with its p -value is provided in the legends.
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254 **4. Interactions between Klyuchevskoy, Bezymianny, and Tolbachik**

255 We statistically explore if the three volcanoes interacted on more than one occasion and in different ways.
 256 Specifically, we found various degrees of interactions that become best observable by analyzing the data at
 257 the time scales from weeks to decades.

258 Below we provide evidence of interactions related to (i) conjoint activity of Klyuchevskoy and Bezymianny
 259 throughout 2003-2020, (ii) the reactivation of Tolbachik in 2011-2012, (iii) the reactivation of Klyuchevskoy
 260 and the cessation of Tolbachik in August 2013, (iv) the reactivation of Bezymianny in 2016-2017, and (v)

261 changes in the long-term magma output rate after the Bezymianny eruption, in 1955-56, and after the Great
262 Tolbachik Fissure Eruption (GFTE), in 1977.

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264 **4.1. Conjoint activity and pattern's change before and after the 2012 Tolbachik eruption**

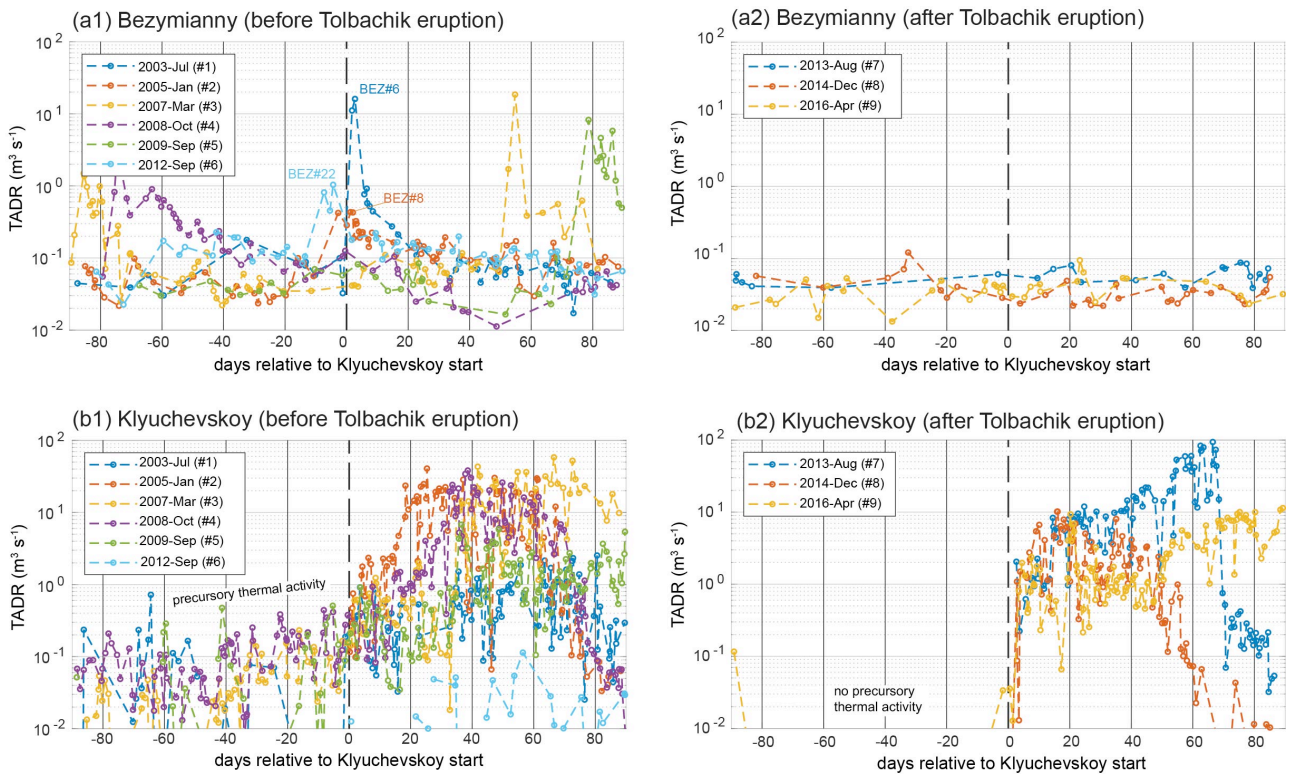
265 A first indication of how volcanoes are interconnected with each other is revealed by the detailed analysis of
266 the mutual activity of Klyuchevskoy and Bezymianny (and pattern's change) before and after the Tolbachik
267 eruption (Fig. 5).

268 Before the latter (Fig. 5a1), we observe a simultaneous activation of Bezymianny and Klyuchevskoy several
269 times (i.e., eruptions KLY#1,2,6) while no simultaneous activation is found afterward (Fig. 5a2). In particular,
270 the onset of Klyuchevskoy's eruptions #1,2,6 coincided with the maximum activity of Bezymianny
271 (BEZ#6,8,22) in the same period (a time window of ± 10 days is considered to avoid the effect of clouds).
272 Although less significant, Bezymianny's activity also showed some synchronous activation (increase of TADR
273 relative to the previous trend) with the onset of the other Klyuchevskoy eruptions (KLI#3,4) before the
274 Tolbachick eruption.

275 More specifically, we found that in the days-to-weeks following each of Klyuchevskoy eruptions, the average
276 TADR of Bezymianny increased, on average, by a factor of four (*Methods*). This increase suggests that before
277 2012, the eruptions of Klyuchevskoy were able to “galvanize” also the activity of Bezymianny. In contrast,
278 after the eruption of Tolbachik, the two volcanoes no longer have erupted simultaneously.

279 Additionally, before the Tolbachik eruption, most of the eruptions of Klyuchevskoy were characterized by a
280 precursory phase marked by a gradual increase in thermal activity and estimated TADR (Fig. 5b1). This pre-
281 eruptive pattern is typical of open-vent volcanoes, in which the rise of the magma column causes the
282 appearance and growth of fumaroles or weak explosive activity⁶⁸. However, the precursory pattern
283 disappeared after the eruption of Tolbachik (Fig. 5b2), and all the three subsequent eruptions of
284 Klyuchevskoy showed a sudden beginning of activity more typical of closed-vent systems⁶⁸.

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288 **Figure 5** - Stacked TADR time-series relative to the onset of the Klyuchevskoy eruptions, before (left column)
 289 and after (right column) the Tolbachik eruption. **Upper panels:** TADRs of the Bezymianny volcano. **Lower**
 290 **panels:** TADRs of the Klyuchevskoy volcano. The simultaneous activation of Bezymianny at the time of the
 291 eruption onset of Klyuchevskoy is obvious before the Tolbachik eruption (a1) but absent afterwards (a2).
 292 Similarly, at Klyuchevskoy, the precursory activity is evident for the eruptions that occurred before the
 293 Tolbachik eruptions (b1), but not afterward (b2). Time series generated using MATLAB software
 294 (www.mathworks.com).

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297 **4.2. Reactivation of Tolbachik in 2011-2012**

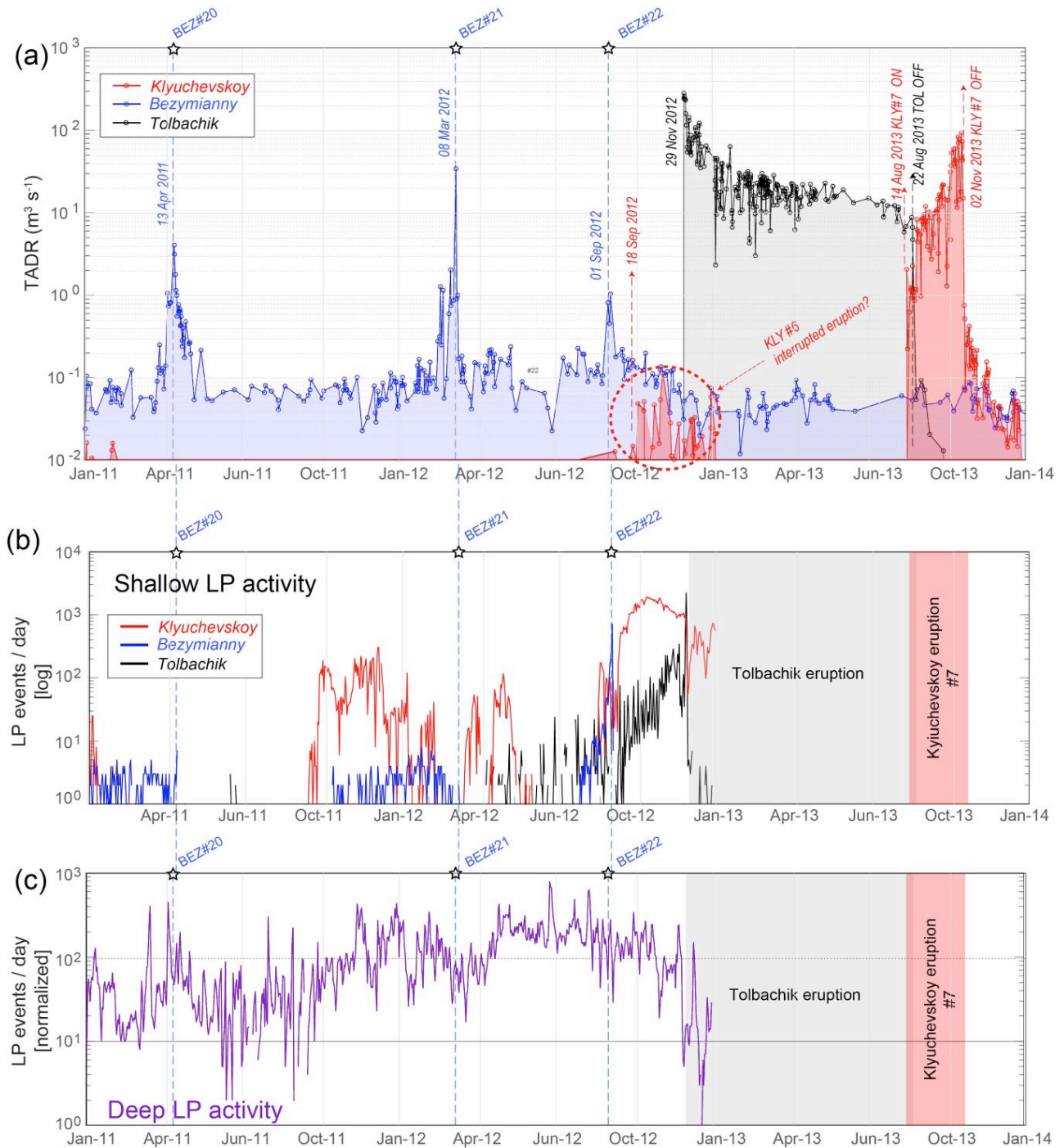
298 The comparison between the surface activity, retrieved from satellite, and the long-period (LP) earthquakes
 299 occurred within the KVG during the reactivation of Tolbachik^{22,70}, provides further indications of mutual
 300 communication between these volcanoes. This last was preceded in 2011 by an increase of the Deep Long
 301 Period (DLP) seismic activity reaching its maximum level in May 2012 (Fig. 6c). It reflected the gradual
 302 pressurization of the whole KVG plumbing system⁷⁰, possibly in response to a pulse of volatile-rich basaltic
 303 magmas rising from the mantle⁷¹. At Bezymianny, this gradual pressurization may have triggered three
 304 consecutive shallow LP swarms, each preceding an eruption, the last one being in September 2012 (Fig. 6a,b).
 305 Similarly, LP seismicity also migrated shallow below the Klyuchevskoy volcano in September 2012 (promptly
 306 triggering the onset of eruption #6), and later, on October-November 2012, LPs occurred below Tolbachik,
 307 just before the onset of its voluminous flank eruption (Fig. 6a,b).

308 Interestingly, during eruption #6 of Klyuchevskoy, the TADR trend almost mirrors the shallow LP seismicity,
 309 both reaching a maximum in November 2012 and then declining in correspondence with an acceleration of

310 the Tolbachik seismic swarm (Fig. 6a,b). Eruption #6 was somehow unusual for Klyuchevskoy since it
311 produced only weak Strombolian activity³⁸, with a TADR always below $0.25 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ and a volume of less than
312 $1 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ (Table 1). Moreover, unlike the other Klyuchevskoy eruptions (cf. Fig. 2a), it never culminated in
313 effusive activity, which is atypical for this volcano. Together with a waning trend of surface and seismic
314 activity since mid-November 2012, these peculiar features suggest a sort of partial depletion of the shallow
315 magma supply of Klyuchevskoy, precisely in correspondence with the acceleration of seismic swarms below
316 Tolbachik (Fig. 6a,b). It is worth noting that the eruptions of Klyuchevskoy stopped in 1975–1976 during the
317 GFTE and were renewed in 1977–1978 after the GFTE⁷².

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321 **Figure 6** Reactivation of Tolbachik and responses at other volcanoes. – (a) Stacked TADR time-series for
 322 Klyuchevskoy, Bezymianny, and Tolbachik between 2011 and 2014. (b) Shallow LP seismicity (normalized
 323 number of events per day) below the Klyuchevskoy, Bezymianny, and Tolbachik during the same period
 324 (modified from Shapiro et al., 2017); (c) Deep LP seismicity below the KVG (seismic data modified from
 325 Shapiro et al., 2017); (refer to the color version of the figure). Time series generated using MATLAB software
 326 (www.mathworks.com).

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328 **4.3. Reactivation of Klyuchevskoy and cessation of Tolbachik eruption in August 2013**

329 Even more intriguing is the resumption of the activity at Klyuchevskoy (eruption #7) and the almost
 330 concurrent cessation of activity at Tolbachik on 22 August 2013 (Fig. 6a). The beginning of eruption #7

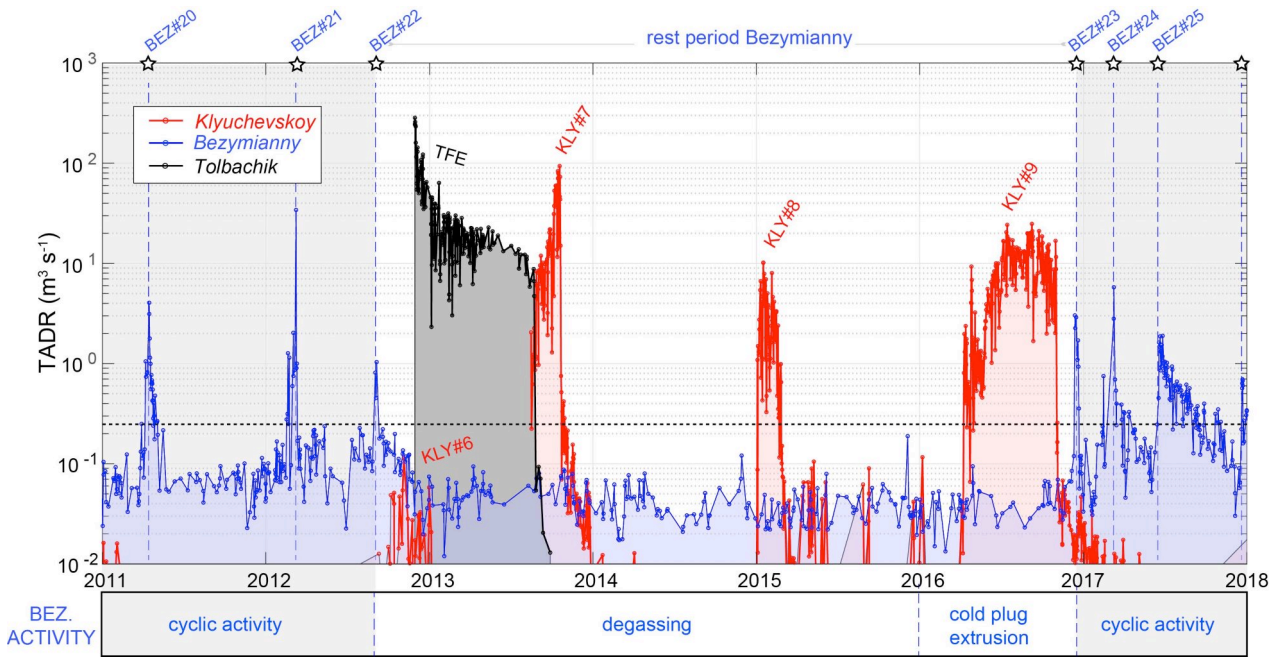
331 occurred suddenly on 14 August 2013, with the onset of Strombolian explosions, which evolved in few days
332 into summit effusive activity³⁸ fed with a TADR of about $10 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ (Fig. 6a). Lava discharge rates increased
333 rapidly in the following months to reach a maximum value of $\sim 100 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$ on 18 October 2013, just before the
334 abrupt cessation of surface activity on 25 October 2013.

335 The onset of eruption #7, which also occurred abruptly on 14 August 2013, preceded the end of the Tolbachik
336 eruption by eight days (Fig.6a). Our data suggest that the Tolbachik eruption ended when the TADR-values
337 were still moderately high ($7\text{-}9 \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$), shutting down the monthly-long, (almost) exponential decay.

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339 **4.4. Reactivation of Bezymianny in 2016**

340 Strong evidence for volcano-volcano interactions is the lack of the typical extrusive-explosive-effusive cycles
341 of Bezymianny for four years after the eruption of Tolbachik⁷³ (Fig. 7a). This rest period was unusually long
342 for Bezymianny (1550 days) and started already on 11 September 2012 (~ 3 months before Tolbachik). As
343 discussed above, the September 2012 eruption of Bezymianny represents the superficial response of its
344 plumbing system to the main deep magma pulse revealed by DVLP, which heralded a few months later the
345 eruption of Tolbachik. The following lack of activity at Bezymianny persisted for four years during which
346 continuous thermal anomalies were likely related to passive degassing (Fig. 7). In early 2016, a viscous,
347 crystallized, cold plug started to be extruded from the summit crater⁷⁴. This slow, cold extrusion was
348 undetected by MODIS but, according to Mania et al.⁷⁴, accelerated in September-November 2016 (right at
349 the end of Klyuchevskoy eruption #9) until the effusion of a viscous lava flow on 9 December 2016 (eruption
350 #23; Fig. 7). The extrusion of solid plugs at the onset of eruptive cycles is a typical feature of Bezymianny^{38,42}.
351 However, that of 2016 represented an abnormally long precursory phase for this volcano. It was followed by
352 eruptions #24 and #25, both characterized by a gentle effusion of two lava flows with increasingly stronger
353 explosivity⁷⁴. This peculiar dynamic after four years of rest seems to be consistent with an interruption (or
354 decrease) of the magma supply after the TFE that favored the formation of a cold crystallized plug in the
355 shallow conduit of Bezymianny.



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357 **Figure 7** – (a) Stacked TADR time-series for Klyuchevskoy, Bezymianny, and Tolbachik volcanoes between
 358 2011 and 2018. Eruptive periods for each volcano are labeled according to Table 1. Gray fields outline periods
 359 of Bezymianny activity characterized by frequent explosive eruptions (stars); (b) The reactivation of
 360 Bezymianny started in early 2016, through the extrusion of “cold” crystallized plug, undetected by MODIS.
 361 This anomalous precursory phase culminated in December 2016 (#BEZ23) with the effusion of a new lava
 362 flow that marks the resumption of activity of Bezymianny after the Tolbachik eruption. Time series generated
 363 using MATLAB software (www.mathworks.com).

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4.5 Influence of the 1955-56 eruption of Bezymianny and the 1975 Great Tolbachik Fissure Eruption in the long term eruptive pattern of Klyuchevskoy and Bezymianny

370 Bezymianny eruption in 1955-56 (BEZ55) was the largest in the recent history on this volcano⁴⁰ and its
 371 occurrence may have perturbed the whole KVG in some way. Some evidence appears from the analysis of
 372 the long term volumetric output of Klyuchevskoy (Fig. 1b) which shows an evident reduction in the eruption’
 373 frequency after 1956, passing from 0.28 events/year, between 1930 and 1953, to 0.17 events/year between
 374 1956 and 1973 (Fig. 1b). Even more indicative is the fact that this decrease was also associated with an
 375 evident geochemical change in the products erupted by Klyuchevskoy after 1960³⁹ (a few years after the
 376 unrest of Bezymianny), which has been ascribed to the injection of new type of primary magma that was not
 377 produced beneath the volcano previously.

378 In 1977, immediately after the GTFE, the eruptive regime of Bezymianny changed considerably to give rise,
 379 for the first time, to the effusion of lava flows and the establishment of extrusive-explosive-effusive
 380 cycles^{43,44}. Simultaneously, the volumetric output rate decelerated (Fig. 1c). The erupted magma became
 381 more and more primitive, indicating the arrival of deeper mafic magma components at the surface⁵³. For

382 Klyuchevskoy, the available data and observations point to a significant change in its eruptive regime starting
383 1-3 years after the GTFE, when summit eruptions began to dominate over flank eruptions³⁷ (Fig. 1b). In
384 contrast to Bezymianny, a significant increase of the output rate accompanied this change likely associated
385 with an increased magma supply at shallower levels. Geodetic measurements³⁷ carried out between 1979
386 and 2005 also suggest that the magma feeding system of Klyuchevskoy was accumulating considerable
387 amounts of magma before the eruptions of this period, which is coherent with a gradual rise of the effective
388 pressure source, from the probable region of deep magma storage (25 km) to shallow levels (5 km). Also the
389 seismicity of the entire KVG showed a dramatic change after the GTFE eruption^{22,72} with several remarkable
390 earthquake swarms that occurred during 1977-1978. All these pieces of evidence make it plausible that both
391 the BEZ25 and GTFE have perturbed the activity of the neighboring volcanoes, compatibly with a process of
392 general rejuvenation of the whole KVG magma system. Whether a similar rejuvenation process occurred
393 during the 2012 Tolbachik eruption is still unclear. However, the occurrence of the major swarms of deep
394 very-long period events (DVLP) in 2011 and 2012 (Fig. 6) point toward a process of pre-eruptive reload of the
395 shallow magmatic reservoirs from depth²³.

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397 **5. Discussion**

398 Our new satellite data suggest that the three volcanoes of the KVG are related to each other on various time-
399 scales. The mode and directivity of the relation vary, showing correlated and anti-correlated activity changes.
400 This observation probably reflects a complex response to changes occurring in a seismically inferred common
401 magmatic source and/or at the associated hydrothermal system.

402 Conjecturing the presence of crustal magma chambers at the volcano systems, we may develop a
403 simple conceptual model to explain some of the modulations and concurrent activity changes observed in
404 our data. At Klyuchevskoy, the magma supply within the crustal plumbing system follows a general steady-
405 state load and discharge model. The frequent but intermittent arrival of magma batches is buffered by the
406 elastic deformation of the subvolcanic reservoir⁶¹. Eruptions occur when the stored amount of magma
407 exceeds a specific threshold (time-predictable behaviour⁶⁵) with the maximum eruptible volume ($\sim 150 \times 10^6$
408 m^3 for Klyuchevskoy; Fig. 3a2) strictly connected to the capacity of the reservoir to buffer the arrival of
409 magma⁵³. It is interesting to note that during the steady-state regime, the magma ascent feeding the activity
410 at these volcanoes could be driven by processes occurring at depth⁶¹ (down-top mechanism), but also by the
411 passive degassing during quiescence⁶²⁻⁶⁴, which induces the opening of pathways connecting deep and
412 shallow magma reservoir (top-down-mechanism).

413 The eruptive behavior of Bezymianny is also compatible with a steady-state magma supply. However, in this
414 case, the smaller capacity of the reservoir(s) and the lower magma supply rate (compared to Klyuchevskoy)
415 give rise to much more frequent but less voluminous eruptions (maximum eruptible volume $\sim 7 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$; Fig.

416 3b2). In this steady-state framework, the volcanoes' conjoint activation indicates that both systems
417 responded to a common perturbation, possibly sourced at lower crustal levels.

418 On the other hand, significant large swarms of DVLP (Fig. 6), ascribed to deep magma pulses, can reactivate
419 the Tolbachik magmatic path^{22,70-72}, which in turn modify the properties of the of nearby magmatic systems
420 and perturb their steady-state regime.

421 Deviation from the steady-state cumulative volume curve indicates a change in the magma supply rate⁶¹, as
422 occurred after the BEZ55 and the GTFE at both Klyuchevskoy and Bezymianny.

423 The GTFE eruption directly affected Bezymianny's activity, causing a reduction of the magma output rate
424 since 1977 (Fig. 1b2) and producing a radical change in Bezymianny's eruptive regime and a rejuvenation of
425 its eruptive products⁵³. Similarly, but in the opposite direction, the GTFE led to an increase of the long-term
426 magma output rate of Klyuchevskoy and promoted a change in its eruptive pattern, switching from lateral to
427 summit eruptions (Fig. 1b1).

428 To a lesser extent, the reactivation of the Tolbachik in 2012 inhibited the steady-state magma supply of
429 Bezymianny for several years. It caused the interruption of its surface activity until the extrusion of a
430 crystallized plug in 2016 (Fig.7). During this period, multiple interactions between Tolbachik and
431 Klyuchevskoy were also observed, supporting the existence of a very efficient hydraulic connection between
432 the plumbing systems of the three volcanoes. We note that the details on the presence of a common primary
433 magma feeding all volcanoes in KVG as well as the location and geometry of crustal magma chambers are
434 still debated^{19,36}, which is why our conceptual model remains speculative.

435 Shapiro et al.²² proposed a model based on fluid-pressure propagation through porous rocks to explain the
436 migration of LP events and infer the existence of such hydraulic connections below the KVG volcanoes. Our
437 data supports and reinforces this hypothesis, although other processes can also influence the eruption cycles
438 and dynamics⁷⁵. Independent of any model assumption, our data show that the magmatic systems below the
439 KVG are interconnected, and eruptions of individual volcanoes can be the direct consequence of their
440 neighbors' activity.

441 To what extend magmatic systems are connected and if one eruption can trigger another volcano are
442 essential questions for assessing volcanic hazard. In the case of interacting volcanoes, such as in the case of
443 KVG, a volcano's behavior can be the direct consequence of its neighbor's activity. In these cases, traditional
444 hazard assessments of isolated volcanoes have to be replaced by a comprehensive assessment involving the
445 whole volcanic group. In addition to its eruptive history, the volcano's hazard assessment has to account for
446 its neighboring volcanoes' eruptive history, which may influence its current state.

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449 **Methods**

450 ***Satellite Thermal data***

451 Satellite thermal data were processed using the MIROVA system⁶⁰ (www.mirovaweb.it), which is based on
452 the analysis of the images acquired by MODIS. The two MODIS sensors, launched in March 2000 and May
453 2002, provide approximately six infrared images per day over Kamchatka (three night-times and three day-
454 times) with a nominal ground resolution of 1 km. MODIS images are processed at each volcano to quantify
455 the Volcanic Radiative Power (VRP in Watts), a combined measurement of the area and integrated
456 temperature of the hot (>200°C) volcanic features with a standard error of $\pm 30\%$ over every
457 measurement⁶⁰.

458 We used only the night-time MODIS dataset, consisting of approximately 19,500 images acquired over the
459 Klyuchevskoy Volcanic Group (KVG). Thermal anomalies detected by MIROVA were geolocated (errors in
460 geolocation are less than 0.5 km for nadir acquisition⁶⁰) to discriminate the hotspots sourced by the three
461 distinct volcanoes. All the images were visually analyzed to discard the data contaminated by clouds, ash
462 plumes, or poor viewing conditions (i.e., high satellite zenith), which preclude a correct estimation of VRP^{15,52}.
463 Finally, the supervised dataset consists of 2,139 images for Klyuchevskoy, 2013 images for Bezymianny, and
464 219 images for Tolbachik, which have been used to reconstruct the time-series of VRP (*Fig. S1 -*
465 *Supplementary Material*). For each volcano, the cumulative Volcanic Radiative Energy (VRE) in Joules is
466 calculated as the trapezoidal integration of the supervised VRP time series (*Fig. S1 - Supplementary Material*).

467 ***Erupted volume and Time-Averaged lava Discharge Rate***

468 We used a simplified approach, which has been expressly developed to derive Time Averaged lava discharge
469 Rate (TADR) directly from MODIS-derived VRP⁷⁶. This approach assumes that during an eruption, the energy
470 radiated by a lava body (i.e., VRE) is linearly correlated to the bulk erupted volume (Vol),

$$471 \quad c_{rad} = \frac{VRE}{Vol} \quad (\text{eq. 1}),$$

472 where c_{rad} (in J m^{-3}) is the best-fit coefficient that describes the ability to radiate thermal energy by unit
473 volume of the observed lava body. Thus the c_{rad} value can be determined retrospectively by measuring the
474 energy radiated during an eruption (or during an eruptive period) and the bulk volume of the lava flow(s) or
475 domes emplaced during the same time interval (measured independently).

476 Once calibrated, the c_{rad} coefficient is used to retrieve the TADR for each single VRP measurements according
477 to

$$478 \quad TADR = \frac{VRP}{c_{rad}} \quad (\text{eq. 2}).$$

479 Note that this approach does not take into account the volume of magma erupted explosively (i.e., ash
480 plumes, pyroclastic density currents). It accounts only for magma erupted during effusive/extrusive periods,
481 that is, when sufficient thermal radiation is detectable from the satellite.

482 To estimate the c_{rad} -value of Klyuchevskoy, we considered the period between 2002 and 2009, during which
 483 about $231 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ of lava erupted²¹. Assuming an average fraction of tephra equal to 15% in volume³⁷, the
 484 cumulative volume of lava flows erupted between 2002 and 2009 become $\sim 196 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$. This activity
 485 produced a VRE of $1.6 \times 10^{16} \text{ J}$ (Fig. S1c1 - Supplementary Material), which results into an average c_{rad} -value
 486 of **$8.16 \times 10^7 \text{ J m}^{-3}$** .

487 For Bezymianny volcano, we calibrated the c_{rad} , by considering the dome volume's growth between 31 July
 488 2006 and 9 September 2017⁴⁴. Given a total volume of $\sim 69 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ and a VRE of $1.17 \times 10^{15} \text{ J}$ (Fig. S1c2 -
 489 Supplementary Material), we estimated $c_{\text{rad}} = \mathbf{1.88 \times 10^7 \text{ J m}^{-3}}$. Note that the TADR and inferred volumes do
 490 not include the contribution of the explosive activity, which in the case of Bezymianny may be relevant.
 491 According to Girina et al.⁴², each extrusive-explosive-effusive cycle produces volumes up to $\sim 10^7 \text{ m}^3$, in the
 492 form of pyroclastic flows. Although the amount of juvenile material inside these deposits is unknown, the
 493 large amount of material erupted explosively, together with the short duration of each cycle, introduces a
 494 significant level of noise into our time series and an uncertainty possibly higher than 100% in the volumes
 495 reported in Table 1b.

496 Equations 1 and 2 have been successfully applied to estimate the TADRs of the 2012-2013 Tolbachik
 497 eruption⁶⁷, where a c_{rad} equal to **$1.08 \times 10^8 \text{ J m}^{-3}$** has been calculated based on a final lava flow volume⁷⁷ of
 498 $573 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ and a corresponding VRE equal to 6.07×10^{16} (Fig. S1c2 - Supplementary Material).

499 As described by Coppola et al.⁷⁶, this approach provides single TADR measurements with an associated error
 500 of $\pm 50\%$. Errorbars are not shown for graphical convenience.

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502 **Statistical testing of correlated activity**

503 The frequency plot of inter-eruption time (dt_{es} in Tab 1) for Bezymianny and Klyuchevskoy is shown in the
 504 left axis of Fig. 4. The peaked distribution for Bezymianny data (gray bars in Fig. 4a,b) can be reasonably fitted
 505 by a Brownian-Passage Time (BPT) distribution (blue line). This models assumes a fixed eruption threshold
 506 and volume release, plus a constant loading rate with noise. The coefficient of variation (CV), also called the
 507 aperiodicity parameter, measures a signal's periodicity, where $CV=0$ refers to a perfect periodicity, $CV=1$ to
 508 a random Poisson occurrence, and $CV>1$ to clustering. When considering the whole dataset of Bezymianny
 509 (Fig. 4a), the CV value is 1.20, indicating a random occurrence of eruptions. However, the CV value decreases
 510 to 0.50 when post-Tolbachik eruption data are excluded (Fig. 4b), thus indicating a quasi-periodic behavior
 511 until the Tolbachik eruption. For Klyuchevskoy (Fig. 4c), the CV value is even lower ($CV=0.38$), indicating a
 512 rather clock-wise recurrence of eruptions.

513 The relation between inter-eruption time and volume release of the last or next event is shown on the right
 514 axis of Fig. 4. The data shows no correlations for Bezymianny (p -values > 0.25 in Fig. 4a,b), while $p<0.05$ would
 515 indicate a statistically significant correlation. In contrast, Klyuchevskoy (Fig. 4c) shows a positive correlation

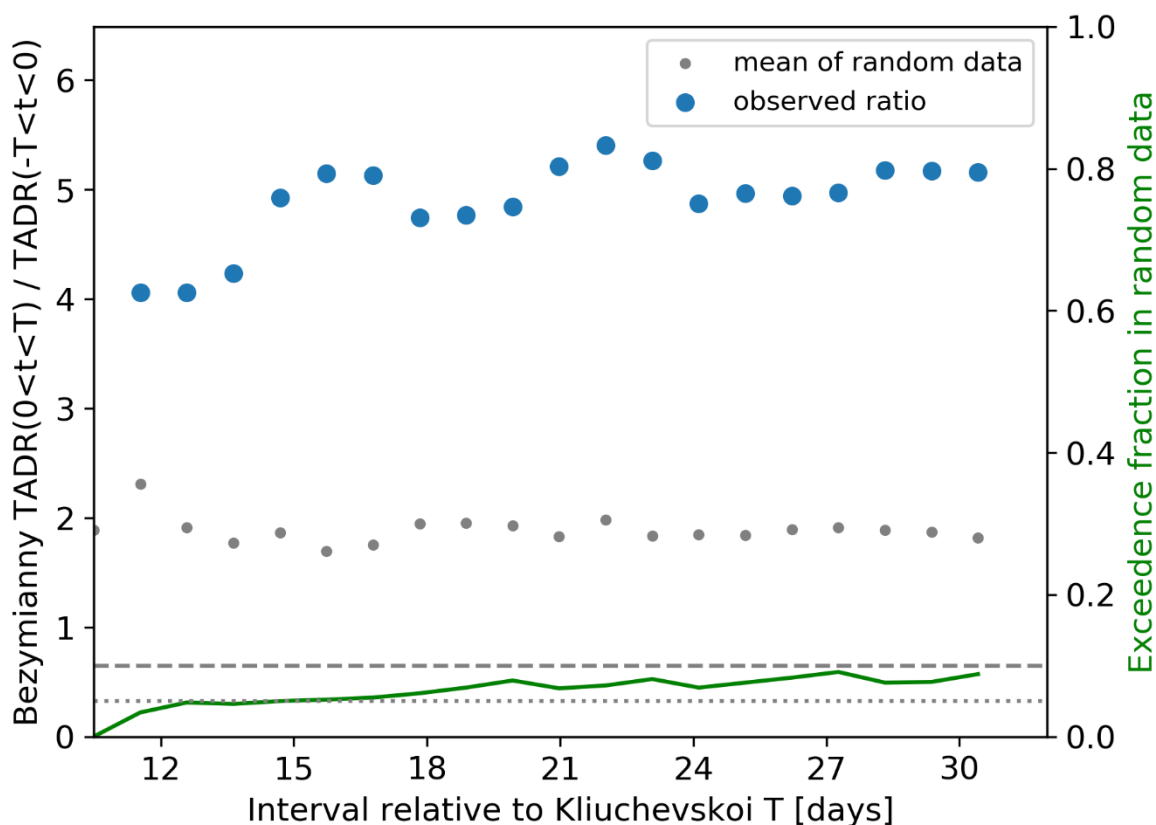
516 between the inter-eruption time and the volume of the last eruption ($r=0.65$, $p=0.081$), which become
517 statistically significant ($r=0.73$; $p=0.025$) when including the timing of the last eruption (not included in our
518 study) started in November 2019⁶⁶. The weaker correlation with the next events' volume found for the
519 Kluchevskoi volcano (Fig. 4c) suggests that its eruption periodicity is consistent with a time-predictable rather
520 than a volume-predictable model.

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522 **Conjoint activity of Klyuchevskoy and Bezymianny volcanoes**

523 We tested the hypothesis that before the Tolbachik eruption, the activation of Klyuchevskoy (eruptions #1
524 to 6) affected the Bezymianny activity (Fig. S4). To perform this test, we first calculated the average TADR-
525 value (of Bezymianny) within T days (from 10 to 30 days) relative to each Klyuchevskoy eruption and averaged
526 those six values. Then we calculated the ratio between the averaged TADR-value in the T days after the
527 eruption and the corresponding value in the T days before the eruption to measure the average activation
528 (blue points in figure 8). Finally, we compared the observed ratio (as a function of T) with the corresponding
529 result obtained after randomizing the activation times of the six Klyuchevskoy eruptions within the period
530 between 2002 and the Tolbachik eruption. The fraction of randomized data with a ratio similar or larger than
531 the observed one (green line in Fig. 8) shows that the observed activation value can only be reached in less
532 than 5-10% of the randomized data. Although the results are close to the significance threshold, these data
533 suggest that the result is significant for the shortest time intervals (i.e., $T=10$ days; $p<0.05$) with a 4-5 times
534 increase of the averaged TADR of Bezymianny after the onset of a Klyuchevskoy eruption.

535 Note that we have not analyzed $T<10$ days because of missing Bezymianny measurements during short
536 periods before/after the Klyuchevskoy eruptions.



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538 **Figure 8** – (Left Axis) Ratio between the averaged Bezymianny TADR values within T days after and before
 539 the Klyuchevskoy eruptions (#1 to 6). (Right axis). Mean fraction in randomized data that exceeded the observed
 540 ratio (see the text for more explanations).

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542 **Data Availability**

543 The satellite datasets are available as Supplementary Material at:

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545 **Tables**

546 **Table 1a** – Eruptions and parameters of Klyuchevskoy volcano retrieved from MODIS data. Volumes, TADR
 547 and MOR are calculated as bulk values (see *Methods*)

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erupti on	start	peak	end	durati on	dt_es	Vol	TADRma x	MOR
#	dd/mm/yyyy hh:mm	dd/mm/yyyy hh:mm	dd/mm/yyyy hh:mm	days	days	$\times 10^6 m^3$	$m^3 s^{-1}$	$m^3 s^{-1}$
1	23/07/2003 16:10	07/11/2003 10:10	24/01/2004 16:05	186.90	N.d.	7.3	2.7	0.5
2	14/01/2005 15:40	07/02/2005 16:25	28/03/2005 11:30	73.60	356.0	52.3	40.7	8.2
3	18/03/2007 15:35	22/05/2007 10:35	18/06/2007 10:15	103.50	720.2	85.4	58.2	9.5

4	15/10/2008 16:20	30/11/2008 10:50	07/01/2009 15:55	86.20	485.3	45.2	38.2	6.1
5	20/09/2009 10:10	28/08/2010 11:10	28/10/2010 16:25	441.60	255.8	151.5	54.1	4.0
6*	09/09/2012 15:35	04/11/2012 10:40	07/01/2013 10:40	119.80	681.97	0.15	0.1	0.01
7	13/08/2013 15:10	16/10/2013 11:05	25/10/2013 11:00	75.10	218.2	94.6	93.9	14.6
8	01/01/2015 10:05	14/01/2015 15:15	23/02/2015 10:25	55.80	433.0	12.3	10.2	2.6
9	06/04/2016 15:20	05/09/2016 14:25	01/11/2016 16:00	211.80	408.2	137.8	24.8	7.5
10**	11/11/2019	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	1104.3 33	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.

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* Eruption #6 was detected by MODIS but with TADR < 0.25 m³ s⁻¹. Eruption start and end, are selected manually based on first and last thermal anomalies.

** Start of Eruption#10 from³⁶

Table 1b – Continue. Eruptions and parameters of Bezymianny retrieved from MODIS data.

Volumes, TADR and MOR are calculated as bulk values (see Methods)

event #	Date Exp.*	start	peak	end	duration days	dt_p days	dt_e days	Vol x 10 ⁶ m ³	TADR max m ³ s ⁻¹	MOR m ³ s ⁻¹
1	13/03/ 2000	04/03/200 0 05:30	18/03/200 0 11:35	24/04/200 0 08:01	51.1	nan	nan	3.5	4.2	0.8
2	01/11/ 2000	27/09/200 0 15:42	01/11/200 0 11:05	16/11/200 0 18:10	50.1	228. 0	156. 3	14.2	51.9	3.3
3	06/08/ 2001	22/07/200 1 09:52	06/08/200 1 10:25	23/08/200 1 21:20	32.5	278. 0	247. 7	10.9	30.9	3.9
4	16/12/ 2001	28/11/200 1 17:20	13/12/200 1 11:05	01/01/200 2 23:58	34.3	129. 0	96.8	8.1	20.7	2.7
5	25/12/ 2002	12/12/200 2 20:43	25/12/200 2 14:55	07/01/200 3 20:17	26.0	377. 2	344. 9	4.8	50.9	2.1
6	26/07/ 2003	13/07/200 3 00:25	26/07/200 3 15:15	10/08/200 3 16:45	28.7	213. 0	186. 2	5.3	16.1	2.1
7	13/01/ 2004	06/01/200 4 17:04	14/01/200 4 10:00	23/01/200 4 22:43	17.2	171. 8	149. 0	0.6	3.2	0.4
8	18/06/ 2004	03/06/200 4 22:01	19/06/200 4 15:10	30/06/200 4 13:43	26.7	157. 2	132. 0	1.6	2.0	0.7
9	11/01/ 2005	10/01/200 5 13:02	16/01/200 5 15:40	20/01/200 5 22:28	10.4	211. 0	194. 0	0.3	0.4	0.3
10	30/11/ 2005	16/11/200 5 15:08	30/11/200 5 11:50	16/12/200 5 00:15	29.4	317. 8	299. 7	6.4	12.8	2.5
11	09/05/ 2006	29/04/200 6 07:39	08/05/200 6 11:05	27/05/200 6 23:59	28.7	159. 0	134. 3	1.1	0.9	0.5
12	24/12/ 2006	15/12/200 6 18:15	23/12/200 6 11:25	03/01/200 7 10:45	18.7	229. 0	201. 8	0.8	1.5	0.5
13	11/05/ 2007	29/04/200 7 13:39	12/05/200 7 15:55	07/06/200 7 08:13	38.8	140. 2	116. 1	6.1	18.5	1.8

14	14/10/ 2007	16/09/200 7 08:57	15/10/200 7 14:40	05/11/200 7 22:31	50.6	155. 9	101. 0	2.3	1.7	0.5
15*	05/11/ 2007	N.d.	05/11/200 7	N.d.	N.d.	N.d.	N.d.	N.d.	N.d.	N.d.
16	19/08/ 2008	02/08/200 8 08:08	11/08/200 8 11:45	06/09/200 8 17:04	35.4	300. 9	270. 4	1.8	3.7	0.6
17	16/12/ 2009	03/12/200 9 00:28	17/12/200 9 15:20	07/01/201 0 16:41	35.7	493. 1	452. 3	5.8	8.2	1.9
18	16/02/ 2010	26/01/201 0 18:46	09/02/201 0 14:40	27/02/201 0 01:27	31.3	54.0	19.1	2.3	2.7	0.9
19	31/05/ 2010	10/05/201 0 19:28	29/05/201 0 15:50	15/06/201 0 23:40	36.2	109. 0	72.8	2.6	2.5	0.8
20	13/04/ 2011	31/03/201 1 14:07	15/04/201 1 10:50	02/05/201 1 23:11	32.4	320. 8	288. 6	2.3	4.1	0.8
21	08/03/ 2012	14/02/201 2 06:58	08/03/201 2 15:40	21/03/201 2 13:33	36.3	328. 2	287. 3	7.3	34.2	2.3
22	01/09/ 2012	24/08/201 2 16:26	04/09/201 2 15:15	15/09/201 2 10:18	21.7	180. 0	156. 1	0.8	1.0	0.4
23	15/12/ 2016	03/12/201 6 04:34	12/12/201 6 16:05	28/12/201 6 01:00	24.9	1560 .0	1539 .8	1.9	3.0	0.9
24	09/03/ 2017	11/02/201 7 10:06	09/03/201 7 16:10	30/03/201 7 06:56	46.9	87.0	45.4	4.1	5.8	1.0
25	16/06/ 2017	09/06/201 7 17:46	26/06/201 7 15:40	12/09/201 7 23:24	95.2	109. 0	71.5	4.8	1.9	0.6
26	20/12/ 2017	21/12/201 7 19:22	22/12/201 7 02:45	07/01/201 8 04:41	16.4	178. 5	99.8	0.4	0.4	0.3
27	20/01/ 2019	24/01/201 9 08:01	26/01/201 9 16:10	30/01/201 9 22:18	6.6	400. 6	382. 1	0.2	2.7	0.3
28	15/03/ 2019	06/03/201 9 19:19	15/03/201 9 10:30	27/03/201 9 18:59	21.0	47.8	34.9	0.9	0.8	0.5
29	N.d.	05/12/201 9 22:01	12/12/201 9 10:30	24/12/201 9 02:32	18.2	272. 0	253. 1	0.6	0.4	0.4

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