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Name of the research project: Spectral-Compositional Relationships of LL
Ordinary Chondrites
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Research report:

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Research Purpose: Quantify the modal mineralogy of LL chondrite meteorites using X-ray diffraction and Rietveld refinement. LL chondrites are a potential surface material on near-Earth asteroids including 99942 Apophis, the target of the OSIRIS-APEX flyby mission.

Research Actually Conducted: By good fortune and careful scheduling of XRD runs, we were able to accomplish our goals for the LL chondrites with time to spare, so we were able to collect XRD data for a set of Martian shergottite meteorites and Lunar feldspathic breccias. Of particular interest are the variably shocked and brecciated Lunar meteorites, as several recent studies have suggested

that the Earth quasi-satellite body 469219 Kamo'oalewa, which is targeted for sample return by the Chinese mission Tianwen-2, is composed of Lunar highlands material.

Outcomes: We will present the preliminary results of these studies at the 2025 Lunar and Planetary Science Conference.