

GeoPT41A – AN INTERNATIONAL PROFICIENCY TEST FOR ANALYTICAL GEOCHEMISTRY LABORATORIES – REPORT ON ROUND 41A (Mineralised stream sediment, SSCO-1) / July 2017

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Abstract

Results are presented for Round 41A of the International Association of Geoanalysts' Proficiency Testing programme for analytical geochemistry laboratories. The test material distributed in this supplementary round of GeoPT was a mineralised stream sediment, SSCO-1, supplied by Dr Stephen Wilson of the U.S. Geological Survey. In this report, the data contributed by 88 laboratories are listed, together with an assessment of consensus values, consequent *z*-scores and charts to show the distribution of contributed results and the overall performance of participating laboratories.

Introduction

This forty-first round of the international proficiency testing programme, GeoPT, was conducted in a similar manner to earlier rounds. The programme is designed to be part of the routine quality assurance procedures employed by analytical geochemistry laboratories. The programme is organised by the International Association of Geoanalysts and is conducted in accordance with a published protocol available at (<http://www.geoanalyst.org/documents/GeoPT-protocol.pdf>). The overall aim of the programme is to provide participating laboratories with *z*-score information for reported elemental determinations from which the laboratory can decide whether the quality of their data is satisfactory in relation both to their chosen

fitness-for-purpose criteria and to the results submitted by other laboratories contributing to the round. In circumstances where *z*-scores are unsatisfactory, a participating laboratory is encouraged to investigate for unsuspected analytical bias and to take corrective action if this appears justified.

Steering Committee for Round 41A: P.C. Webb (results coordinator), M. Thompson (statistical advisor), P.J. Potts and C.J.B. Gowing (analytical advisors), S.A. Wilson (provision of SSCO-1).

Timetable for Round 41A:

Distribution of sample: March 2017

Results submission deadline: 14th June 2017

Release of report: July 2017

Test Material details

GeoPT41A: The mineralised stream sediment test material, SSCO-1, was supplied by Dr Stephen Wilson. The test material was evaluated for homogeneity by the originator, and as a result, the sample was considered suitable for use in this proficiency test.

Submission of results

A total of 3176 results were submitted for GeoPT41A (SSCO-1) by 88 laboratories as listed in Table 1. Results that were designated by a participating laboratory as data

quality 1 (see **Z-score analysis** section below for explanation) are shown in bold and results of data designated as quality 2 are shown underlined. Results from all laboratories submitting data were used to assess respective assigned values. Regrettably there were two laboratories reporting in total 5 values of '0' (i.e. zero), for this round. We should emphasise that as stated in the **Instructions to Analysts**, values of zero for measurands other than LOI should not be reported. These 5 values were excluded from consideration in the data assessment process. Note also (see details later) that at least 9 results were reported using the wrong units. Reporting is part of the proficiency test, and mistakes of this kind will adversely affect a laboratory's *z*-scores.

Assigned values

Following procedures described in earlier rounds, robust statistical procedures were used to derive assigned mass fraction values [X_a] for measurands in this test sample, these values being judged to be the best available estimates of the true composition. Values were assigned on the basis that: i) sufficient laboratories had contributed data for a measurand, and ii) visual assessment gave confidence that a substantial proportion of the results distribution was symmetrically disposed. Part of this assessment involved examining the distribution of results from bar charts of contributed data for each measurand (presented in Figures 1 and 2). For this round it has also been possible to view data distributions according to analytical procedure and assess the comparative quality of data obtained using different procedures.

Many datasets were normally disposed and showed remarkable symmetry with relatively little dispersion of data. Consequently, in 13 cases the robust mean was used to define an appropriate consensus value. However, many other datasets were slightly skewed and some cases, more severely skewed. In the majority of such instances medians provided a satisfactory estimator for defining consensus values: 26 cases in all. Where the median did not provide a symmetrical distribution of data about the consensus, the mode was preferred, and was used in 20 cases for defining a consensus.

Often, a mode was used as a consequence of an asymmetric distribution of results involving either a high tail or a low tail within which there are highly variable data. Sometimes, but not always, the reason for the high tail is because XRF data are reported for mass fractions close to the detection limit for the technique and measured values consequently have poor precision and accuracy. High tails are noted for Cd, Cs, Hg, Ni, Sc, Se and Ta. The reason for low tails is often due to incomplete dissolution of refractory accessory minerals during acid digestion. Low tails are noted for Er, Hf, Ho, Lu, Sb, Yb and Zr. In 13 cases, modes were sufficiently well defined by appropriate techniques to justify their designation as assigned values. In the other seven cases provisional status was judged most appropriate (see Table 2). Procedures used to determine the mode included the estimation of the mass fraction corresponding to the maximum value of the kernel density distribution for the dataset and the Lientz mode (Lientz, 1969) as provided by the "modeest" package which runs in "R" (<https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/modeest/modeest.pdf>). Modes are suitably robust location estimators that can provide consensus values to represent the most coherent part of a data distribution where data are often symmetrically disposed, whereas the dataset as a whole is asymmetric.

Table 2 lists assigned and provisional values for 10 major components and 49 trace elements in GeoPT41A (SSCO-1). Bar charts for the 59 measurands of GeoPT41A that were judged to have satisfactory distributions for consensus values to be designated as assigned or provisional values are shown in Figure 1. These are: SiO₂, TiO₂, Al₂O₃, Fe₂O₃T, MnO, MgO, CaO, Na₂O, K₂O, P₂O₅, Ag*, Ba, Be, Bi, C(tot)*, Cd*, Ce, Co, Cr*, Cs, Cu, Dy, Er, Eu, Ga, Gd, Hf*, Hg, Ho, In*, La, Li, Lu, Mo, Nb, Nd, Ni*, Pb, Pr, Rb, Sb*, Sc, Se*, Sm, Sn, Sr, Ta, Tb, Te*, Th, Tl, Tm, U, V, W*, Y, Yb, Zn and Zr. Of these, provisional values were given to the 11 measurands marked *. Instances of provisional status were recorded because either i) a relatively small number of results contributed to the consensus, or ii) the results were unduly dispersed in

relation to the target value, or iii) the distribution of values was notably skewed.

Bar charts for the 11 measurands: Fe(II)O, H₂O⁺, CO₂, LOI, As, Br, C(org), Cl, F, Ge and S are plotted in Figure 2 for information only, as the data were insufficient in number, the distribution too highly skewed or too variable for the reliable determination of a consensus for the estimation of *z*-scores. The S data included six values reported as g/100g and not mg/kg as required. Three values of C(org) and C(tot) were similarly incorrectly reported. Such values inevitably degrade the dataset and would result in exceedingly poor *z*-scores for the laboratories in question had a value been assigned. We recommend that analysts should make every effort to report data in the units requested.

Z-score analysis

As in previous rounds, laboratories were invited to choose one of two performance standards against which their analytical results would be judged:

Data quality 1 for laboratories working to a 'pure geochemistry' standard of performance, where analytical results are designed for geochemical research and where care is taken to provide data of high precision and accuracy, sometimes at the expense of a reduced sample throughput rate. For GeoPT41A, 1434 results of data quality 1 were submitted.

Data quality 2 for laboratories working to an 'applied geochemistry' standard of performance, where, although precision and accuracy are still important, the main objective is to provide results on large numbers of samples collected, for example, as part of geochemical mapping projects or geochemical exploration programmes. For GeoPT41A, 1742 results of data quality 2 were submitted.

The target standard deviation (*H*_a) for each measurand assessed was calculated from a modified form of the Horwitz function as follows:

$$H_a = k \cdot X_a^{0.8495}$$

Where *X*_a is the mass fraction of the element; the factor *k* = 0.01 for pure geochemistry laboratories and *k* = 0.02 for applied geochemistry laboratories.

Z-scores were calculated for each elemental measurement submitted by each laboratory from:

$$z = [X - X_a] / H_a$$

Where *X* is the contributed measurement, *X*_a is the assigned value and *H*_a is the target standard deviation (all as mass fractions). *Z*-score values for results contributed to GeoPT41A are listed in Table 3. Results designated as data quality 1 are shown in bold: results of data quality 2 are shown underlined. *Z*-scores derived from provisional values are shown in italics.

Participating laboratories are invited to assess their performance using the following criteria:—

Z-score results in the range $-2 < z < 2$ are considered to be 'satisfactory' (in the sense that no action is called for by the participant). If the *z*-score for any element falls outside this range, especially if it is outside the range $-3 < z < 3$, contributing laboratories are advised to examine their procedures, and if necessary, take action to ensure that determinations are not subject to unsuspected analytical bias.

Overall performance

A summary of the overall performance of individual laboratories for this round is plotted in multiple *z*-score charts in Figure 3. In these charts, the *z*-score performance for each element is distinguished by symbols that make it simple to identify whether the results were satisfactory or gave *z*-scores that exceeded the action limits. This chart is designed to help individual laboratories to judge their overall performance in this proficiency testing round. Participants should always review their *z*-scores in accord with their own fitness-for-purpose criteria.

Participation in future rounds

The benefit from proficiency testing arises from regular participation and laboratories are invited to contribute to

Round 42, the test sample for which will be distributed during September 2017.

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alternative modes as provided in the package “Modeest”, which is available as an “R” package (<https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/modeest/modeest.pdf>).

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Appendix 1

Publication status of proficiency testing reports. Previous reports are available for download from the IAG website (<http://www.geoanalyst.org/>).

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Table 3 - GeoPT41A Z-scores for Mineralised stream sediment, SSCO-1. 14/06/2017

Lab Code	Z1	Z2	Z3	Z4	Z5	Z6	Z8	Z10	Z12	Z13	Z14	Z15	Z16
SiO ₂	-0.79	-2.35	-0.23	0.80	-2.36	0.41	-0.02	0.61	0.30	0.07	-0.32	*	*
TiO ₂	0.80	*	0.47	-0.38	<u>-1.41</u>	1.33	0.18	0.23	-2.83	0.47	-0.70	*	*
Al ₂ O ₃	-0.24	6.05	0.08	-0.18	3.84	-0.87	0.14	-0.35	-1.48	-0.24	-0.49	*	*
Fe ₂ O _{3T}	3.64	-2.48	1.37	0.85	2.81	0.73	0.08	-0.38	-0.05	-0.05	0.44	0.15	*
MnO	0.63	*	-0.41	-0.95	3.42	1.35	0.67	-0.21	2.69	-0.62	-1.19	0.31	*
MgO	4.49	-1.32	-1.98	0.55	19.17	1.32	0.66	-0.33	0.66	-1.32	-0.07	0.59	*
CaO	7.26	2.10	0.02	-0.12	2.95	0.88	0.15	0.36	-1.72	0.02	-0.18	-1.99	*
Na ₂ O	-0.64	3.03	-0.61	0.24	<u>-0.91</u>	1.06	-0.61	0.15	-1.52	-0.30	-0.23	*	*
K ₂ O	-0.63	2.54	-0.36	-3.66	0.42	0.59	-1.04	0.16	-0.01	0.16	-0.88	*	*
P ₂ O ₅	4.82	*	0.44	-0.23	3.56	0.43	-0.09	0.43	-1.23	-1.23	0.95	*	*
Ag	*	*	*	*	*	-2.01	*	-3.20	*	*	*	*	*
Ba	-0.19	*	-0.93	-0.22	4.65	-0.27	-0.07	-0.10	-0.32	-1.50	-0.58	1.64	0.12
Be	*	*	-0.70	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Bi	*	*	0.55	*	*	2.02	*	0.73	*	*	*	*	*
C(tot)	*	*	*	*	*	<u>-1.12</u>	*	<u>-0.95</u>	*	*	*	*	*
Cd	*	*	0.43	*	*	4.84	-1.29	0.83	*	*	*	*	*
Ce	2.28	*	-0.47	*	-2.28	0.80	-1.20	-0.13	-0.72	-6.48	-1.11	1.88	0.78
Co	6.20	*	1.48	*	-7.50	2.47	*	0.03	-2.28	*	3.10	0.06	*
Cr	9.79	*	2.52	-7.06	10.67	-0.30	*	0.28	8.63	2.86	0.28	1.54	*
Cs	*	*	2.44	*	-1.56	10.18	0.07	-0.33	*	*	*	0.22	0.22
Cu	0.67	*	-0.25	-0.15	-0.08	-1.61	0.33	0.25	5.66	0.00	-2.91	-0.43	*
Dy	*	*	-0.47	*	<u>-2.96</u>	*	*	-0.02	*	*	2.27	0.17	0.30
Er	*	*	-0.47	*	-3.41	*	*	-0.34	*	*	*	-0.47	0.09
Eu	*	*	0.17	*	-0.81	*	*	-2.16	*	*	*	1.13	1.85
Ga	2.31	*	0.41	*	4.21	-1.27	-0.62	0.33	-1.24	-0.06	3.52	1.05	-0.32
Gd	*	*	0.03	*	<u>-1.79</u>	*	*	-0.70	-0.91	*	*	1.03	2.94
Hf	*	*	2.58	*	3.93	<u>-3.19</u>	*	0.27	-1.27	*	*	-6.14	0.08
Hg	*	*	*	*	*	1.04	*	-0.03	*	*	*	*	*
Ho	*	*	-0.64	*	-2.63	*	*	-0.13	*	*	*	-0.27	0.26
In	*	*	0.96	*	*	*	-0.27	1.11	*	*	*	*	*
La	-1.49	*	-0.86	-0.57	-4.08	0.43	-0.89	-0.43	4.25	3.67	-1.03	1.10	0.58
Li	*	*	-0.72	*	*	*	*	-0.40	*	*	0.86	*	*
Lu	*	*	-0.81	*	<u>-2.57</u>	*	*	0.49	*	*	*	-0.51	0.36
Mo	0.00	*	-7.80	*	*	-0.99	0.00	0.51	-5.66	*	*	*	*
Nb	-1.80	*	1.42	*	<u>-1.94</u>	-0.80	0.14	0.00	4.42	0.27	*	1.38	-1.32
Nd	0.93	*	-0.73	-1.60	-2.10	-1.90	0.60	-0.53	-3.06	-5.06	-0.20	0.32	0.68
Ni	7.73	*	-7.66	10.83	<u>-0.97</u>	-1.64	-0.48	-0.87	25.13	*	1.93	2.24	*
Pb	-0.53	*	-1.18	-2.82	-1.96	-1.12	0.55	0.38	3.88	2.24	-2.66	-0.71	*
Pr	*	*	-0.67	*	<u>-1.61</u>	*	*	-0.44	*	*	*	0.35	0.43
Rb	0.27	*	0.68	*	0.14	-0.76	-0.27	1.26	0.48	-0.55	*	0.29	-0.10
Sb	-2.13	*	1.03	*	*	3.46	-0.36	0.63	*	*	*	*	*
Sc	4.45	*	0.71	-0.66	-1.31	-0.65	*	-0.39	-0.78	*	*	2.78	-0.78
Se	*	*	-8.66	*	*	0.56	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sm	*	*	-0.41	*	<u>-1.86</u>	-5.88	-0.66	-0.42	*	*	3.16	0.19	0.89
Sn	0.95	*	0.02	*	*	0.60	-0.53	-0.30	*	*	*	*	0.30
Sr	-0.44	*	-1.16	0.35	0.29	-0.87	-0.29	0.00	0.00	0.73	0.58	-0.89	-0.29
Ta	*	*	4.96	*	5.77	*	*	-0.58	*	*	*	0.47	0.46
Tb	*	*	0.84	*	<u>-2.03</u>	*	*	-0.12	*	*	*	0.71	1.92
Te	*	*	-3.86	*	*	<u>20.03</u>	0.12	*	*	*	*	*	*
Th	32.27	*	-0.78	*	<u>-2.59</u>	-1.69	4.39	0.01	*	6.35	*	-1.17	-0.02
Tl	176.58	*	0.86	*	*	<u>-1.65</u>	*	0.16	*	*	*	*	*
Tm	*	*	-0.77	*	<u>-2.69</u>	*	*	0.38	*	*	*	0.13	0.20
U	-1.30	*	-0.43	*	-2.61	0.26	*	0.06	*	*	*	-1.93	-0.44
V	2.29	*	-0.27	-1.30	-0.09	-1.56	0.01	-0.13	0.64	-4.31	0.94	1.75	*
W	*	*	-1.59	*	<u>-1.72</u>	-1.07	*	-0.04	*	*	*	*	-1.26
Y	2.25	*	-0.33	-0.14	6.60	0.30	0.93	0.03	2.25	*	-3.18	0.25	0.00
Yb	*	*	-0.57	*	<u>-3.61</u>	-1.39	*	0.08	*	*	*	-0.67	-0.35
Zn	1.19	*	-5.85	0.97	17.88	-0.15	0.70	-0.60	1.03	0.92	-0.51	-3.83	*
Zr	-0.62	*	-2.34	-1.61	-0.37	-0.55	0.62	0.00	-7.02	0.25	-1.48	-12.06	1.11

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Lab Code	Z18	Z19	Z21	Z23	Z25	Z26	Z27	Z28	Z29	Z32	Z38	Z40	Z41
SiO ₂	-0.83	0.04	1.35	0.76	-0.89	-0.44	*	0.19	-0.22	-0.03	-0.35	0.65	0.25
TiO ₂	-0.32	-1.41	2.98	1.33	0.47	-0.63	*	-0.32	-0.86	-0.37	-0.70	-21.51	-1.69
Al ₂ O ₃	1.05	-1.52	-0.22	0.64	-0.44	-1.74	*	0.11	0.07	0.03	-1.65	-1.09	0.27
Fe ₂ O _{3T}	1.14	-1.80	0.73	0.74	-0.86	-1.17	*	-0.33	-0.18	-0.15	-1.14	3.60	1.82
MnO	-7.46	-2.28	-0.21	0.73	0.62	-2.49	0.72	-0.73	0.31	-0.09	0.21	0.62	4.72
MgO	4.96	2.64	1.98	0.03	-0.66	-1.32	*	-1.65	-0.66	4.26	-1.65	11.90	-1.39
CaO	2.26	-0.68	-0.68	1.83	0.36	-1.37	*	-0.34	-0.34	-0.08	-0.68	-22.16	-1.55
Na ₂ O	-1.67	-3.79	-1.97	0.91	-2.43	-3.64	*	-0.46	0.46	1.17	0.61	-7.59	2.84
K ₂ O	0.42	-1.03	0.42	0.53	-0.36	-0.53	*	-0.60	0.33	0.25	-0.86	1.69	-0.31
P ₂ O ₅	3.56	-2.70	-1.66	0.85	0.86	-1.23	*	*	0.43	0.11	-0.62	65.58	0.01
Ag	*	*	*	*	*	-0.12	*	*	*	*	*	*	-0.13
Ba	-17.03	-2.21	1.11	0.16	-0.89	-2.90	-0.08	*	0.01	0.33	-0.03	*	0.32
Be	*	*	*	-0.51	*	-0.58	*	*	*	*	*	*	-1.55
Bi	*	*	*	*	*	-2.24	*	*	*	*	*	*	-0.32
C(tot)	*	*	*	-22.72	*	10.18	*	*	*	*	0.42	*	-1.55
Cd	*	*	*	*	*	-0.79	*	*	*	*	*	3.69	-0.12
Ce	*	-4.24	*	*	*	-0.94	-0.18	*	*	*	0.14	*	0.72
Co	-0.52	4.16	*	0.09	*	-1.60	-0.17	*	*	*	*	2.35	-0.11
Cr	7.07	0.28	*	-0.47	*	-3.60	-1.11	*	*	1.75	*	-1.29	0.43
Cs	*	4.23	*	-0.01	*	6.31	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.19
Cu	-15.19	14.48	-0.21	0.91	0.42	-2.08	0.44	*	*	0.77	1.54	6.11	0.28
Dy	*	*	*	0.24	*	0.71	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.69
Er	*	*	*	0.17	*	0.65	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.24
Eu	*	*	*	0.03	*	-0.51	*	*	*	*	*	*	1.03
Ga	*	1.15	*	0.37	*	-0.62	-0.47	*	*	-3.19	*	*	0.20
Gd	*	*	*	-0.42	*	0.58	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.87
Hf	*	-4.46	*	-0.51	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.30
Hg	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-0.39
Ho	*	*	*	0.06	*	0.26	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.31
In	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-0.07
La	*	-3.04	*	-0.15	0.98	-1.09	1.00	*	*	*	-0.75	*	0.28
Li	-1.64	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-0.47
Lu	*	*	*	-0.15	*	0.46	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.51
Mo	*	0.00	*	-0.23	*	-1.70	-0.81	*	*	*	*	*	-2.50
Nb	4.96	0.14	*	-1.14	0.27	-0.17	-0.13	*	*	-0.25	*	*	-0.50
Nd	*	3.13	*	0.02	*	-1.07	*	*	*	*	*	*	1.14
Ni	19.84	1.93	*	1.84	*	-2.22	0.41	*	*	-2.37	*	2.13	-0.28
Pb	*	-2.06	*	0.32	4.34	-6.09	1.20	*	*	0.73	*	7.89	0.42
Pr	*	*	*	0.05	*	-0.87	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.56
Rb	0.95	0.85	0.34	-0.01	0.48	-0.79	-0.08	*	*	0.41	*	*	0.73
Sb	*	*	*	*	*	-1.26	*	*	*	*	*	-5.36	0.40
Sc	*	2.23	*	0.13	2.23	1.23	-1.96	*	*	*	*	*	-0.24
Se	*	*	*	*	*	9.44	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.83
Sm	*	*	*	0.29	*	-0.29	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.79
Sn	*	-3.29	*	-0.17	*	-0.93	*	*	*	*	*	*	-0.98
Sr	2.18	-1.02	0.80	-0.09	0.00	-0.73	-0.24	*	-0.29	86.56	*	*	0.41
Ta	*	*	*	-0.29	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-0.60
Tb	*	*	*	-0.35	*	0.08	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.37
Te	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	4.33	0.45
Th	*	16.95	*	0.19	*	0.84	-1.82	*	*	4.02	*	*	0.01
Tl	*	*	*	-0.47	*	-3.75	*	*	*	*	*	3.48	-0.38
Tm	*	*	*	0.13	*	0.26	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.82
U	*	3.90	*	0.26	*	1.12	-0.44	*	*	*	*	*	0.50
V	*	0.73	*	-0.01	1.88	-2.08	0.30	*	*	1.40	0.11	-10.71	-0.58
W	*	*	*	*	*	-3.01	*	*	*	*	*	*	1.27
Y	-4.86	-2.39	*	-0.36	1.47	-0.64	0.29	*	*	-0.20	-0.83	*	0.67
Yb	*	*	*	0.03	*	0.57	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.53
Zn	-3.72	-1.17	-0.14	1.55	5.15	-0.49	1.12	*	*	0.31	0.46	-0.88	0.09
Zr	-5.36	-0.86	0.62	-0.23	-0.99	-0.68	-0.21	*	*	0.06	-1.36	*	0.31

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Lab Code	Z60	Z61	Z63	Z64	Z65	Z66	Z67	Z70	Z71	Z72	Z73	Z74	Z76
SiO ₂	0.01	1.31	0.14	-1.94	*	0.00	-0.09	1.54	*	-0.20	0.98	*	*
TiO ₂	0.61	-0.63	-0.32	-1.51	*	0.23	-0.53	0.47	-0.63	-0.32	-0.63	*	*
Al ₂ O ₃	-0.44	0.79	-0.09	-1.85	*	-0.02	0.07	0.73	*	0.40	-0.44	*	*
Fe ₂ O _{3T}	-1.58	3.60	0.03	0.74	*	-0.58	2.63	3.40	-0.56	-0.58	-0.56	*	*
MnO	1.59	-18.03	0.31	0.00	*	0.31	0.21	1.66	0.62	-0.21	-0.41	*	*
MgO	-0.79	-7.93	0.00	-0.59	*	0.66	-0.59	1.32	*	0.99	-0.66	*	*
CaO	0.09	-1.02	0.36	-0.09	*	-0.34	-0.94	2.10	*	0.18	-0.68	*	*
Na ₂ O	-2.49	-8.19	0.91	-0.21	*	0.46	0.82	-4.25	*	0.46	-1.82	*	*
K ₂ O	-0.42	1.35	0.08	-1.02	*	0.25	1.08	-1.04	*	0.08	-0.53	*	*
P ₂ O ₅	-1.38	-3.32	0.22	0.86	*	-0.62	-0.09	0.86	0.86	-0.72	-1.65	*	*
Ag	*	*	0.08	-1.41	*	*	*	*	3.58	*	*	0.00	*
Ba	0.55	*	0.49	-1.21	*	*	0.30	0.20	0.29	*	*	2.13	-4.62
Be	*	*	0.15	-1.65	*	*	*	*	-1.27	*	*	-0.27	*
Bi	*	*	-0.27	-0.43	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	0.42	*
C(tot)	*	*	0.42	-1.25	*	0.42	*	*	*	6.36	-7.82	*	*
Cd	-0.10	*	0.05	-0.18	*	*	*	*	0.39	*	*	-0.98	*
Ce	0.23	*	0.52	-0.96	1.53	*	*	*	-0.39	*	*	0.28	-3.97
Co	*	*	-0.40	-0.67	*	*	9.46	-0.16	-0.07	*	*	1.01	*
Cr	*	*	-1.45	-1.01	*	*	-2.03	6.33	-2.91	*	*	0.32	*
Cs	*	*	0.25	0.00	*	*	*	*	0.26	*	*	1.09	-2.77
Cu	0.56	*	0.17	5.41	*	*	1.46	-4.58	-0.33	*	4.83	0.83	*
Dy	*	*	0.07	-0.23	0.78	*	*	*	-0.07	*	*	0.14	-2.79
Er	*	*	-0.16	-0.53	0.70	*	*	*	-0.12	*	*	-0.22	-3.28
Eu	-2.50	*	0.36	-0.31	3.20	*	*	*	-0.06	*	*	2.41	-2.07
Ga	*	5.86	-0.53	0.09	*	*	*	5.86	0.06	*	*	0.30	*
Gd	*	*	0.00	-1.32	3.70	*	*	*	-0.33	*	*	1.49	-3.53
Hf	*	*	0.13	-0.45	*	*	*	*	0.08	*	*	0.84	*
Hg	-0.57	*	2.05	0.87	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Ho	*	*	0.19	0.19	0.51	*	*	*	-0.13	*	*	0.26	-2.92
In	*	*	-0.34	-0.53	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
La	-1.61	*	0.40	-0.57	2.98	*	*	*	-0.63	*	*	2.41	-3.25
Li	-0.05	*	0.23	0.54	*	*	*	*	-0.13	*	*	-0.39	*
Lu	*	*	0.87	-0.30	*	*	*	*	-0.30	*	*	0.46	-2.45
Mo	*	1.41	0.07	-1.25	*	*	*	*	-0.71	*	*	-1.27	*
Nb	*	0.27	-0.38	-2.28	*	*	0.66	-1.80	-0.45	*	*	6.71	-0.01
Nd	-3.95	*	0.30	-1.00	-0.40	*	*	*	-0.80	*	*	1.46	-4.03
Ni	-1.00	-1.93	-1.93	-0.63	*	*	4.83	15.47	-1.72	*	*	0.29	*
Pb	-1.46	*	0.59	-0.80	*	*	2.28	-4.61	-0.99	*	*	-1.30	-6.48
Pr	*	*	0.22	-0.93	2.50	*	*	*	-0.33	*	*	1.02	-3.79
Rb	*	-0.14	-0.38	0.05	*	*	0.14	-0.96	0.07	*	*	0.27	-1.45
Sb	*	*	-0.56	-0.54	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sc	0.52	*	-0.26	1.83	*	*	*	1.83	-0.73	*	*	1.70	*
Se	0.84	*	-0.56	-0.50	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sm	*	*	0.90	-0.35	-0.07	*	*	*	-0.63	*	*	0.69	-4.07
Sn	*	*	0.47	2.90	*	*	*	*	-0.01	*	*	*	*
Sr	0.68	-1.02	0.29	-0.16	*	*	0.36	0.87	2.18	*	*	0.44	-7.19
Ta	*	*	0.00	1.59	*	*	*	*	-2.08	*	*	2.08	0.03
Tb	*	*	0.12	-0.66	*	*	*	*	0.38	*	*	1.00	-2.18
Te	*	*	-0.47	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Th	*	20.93	-0.47	0.52	-13.42	*	*	*	-0.78	*	*	-0.30	*
Tl	*	*	-0.02	*	*	*	*	*	0.14	*	*	-2.03	*
Tm	*	*	0.90	-0.71	*	*	*	*	0.00	*	*	1.02	-2.63
U	*	*	0.03	0.65	-10.77	*	*	12.36	-0.02	*	*	-0.89	-1.19
V	-2.25	*	-0.92	-2.22	*	*	-0.30	2.29	0.35	*	*	0.60	*
W	*	-12.59	0.40	1.78	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	2.99	*
Y	*	3.81	0.03	-0.52	1.23	*	1.52	-5.57	0.22	*	*	-0.41	-3.98
Yb	-4.08	*	-1.13	-0.12	1.08	*	*	*	-0.31	*	*	0.46	-3.09
Zn	-1.52	-0.92	0.65	0.54	*	*	2.87	1.08	1.52	*	2.06	-2.00	*
Zr	*	-0.99	0.62	-0.02	*	*	-1.73	2.09	2.71	*	*	1.23	*

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Lab Code	Z95	Z97	Z99	Z100	Z101	Z103	Z104	Z105	Z106	Z107	Z108	Z111	Z112
SiO ₂	-2.58	-5.51	-0.40	*	-1.00	-0.67	0.07	-0.12	-2.19	1.09	1.04	-0.04	3.80
TiO ₂	-3.61	23.55	-0.86	*	0.18	0.84	0.23	0.23	8.48	-0.49	0.47	-0.26	2.98
Al ₂ O ₃	0.62	-10.30	-0.48	*	2.60	0.92	-0.12	0.27	-2.30	0.11	1.48	-0.77	1.40
Fe ₂ O _{3T}	-10.06	53.16	-0.63	*	-0.38	0.58	0.48	-0.33	-2.15	-0.05	-0.51	-1.34	0.79
MnO	-6.43	38.97	-0.78	*	-0.31	-0.21	-2.28	-1.24	-0.73	-1.46	1.04	-0.10	-1.24
MgO	1.65	-27.10	-2.31	*	2.64	-1.32	0.66	4.96	-8.59	-0.56	-4.30	-3.64	1.98
CaO	-1.03	14.92	0.36	*	1.74	-0.16	0.18	-0.68	1.57	-1.03	1.75	-1.20	13.18
Na ₂ O	-8.19	-50.07	0.15	*	1.06	1.82	-0.15	2.73	4.55	-0.50	1.37	-1.12	1.52
K ₂ O	1.44	7.31	0.42	*	0.50	-0.09	0.42	-0.77	-0.18	-1.42	-0.61	-0.43	2.97
P ₂ O ₅	2.52	299.43	-2.70	*	4.29	0.64	0.43	-0.62	-1.66	0.00	3.15	-2.29	2.52
Ag	*	11.26	*	*	0.68	*	*	*	*	*	0.40	*	-0.20
Ba	-0.60	-1.29	-0.05	0.64	-0.18	-0.53	0.56	*	-1.67	-0.58	0.11	1.24	2.46
Be	*	*	*	0.23	-0.07	*	*	*	-6.44	*	*	*	1.99
Bi	*	3.40	3.31	*	-1.34	*	*	*	*	0.69	0.73	*	*
C(tot)	*	*	*	*	-0.40	*	*	*	*	-0.78	*	*	*
Cd	*	27.62	-1.60	*	2.17	*	*	*	*	0.37	*	*	11.45
Ce	*	0.78	-0.21	0.81	0.52	-0.05	1.39	*	-9.04	1.09	-0.37	3.39	*
Co	8.40	-7.37	1.19	0.20	-0.07	-0.08	*	*	-1.14	0.00	-1.01	4.16	-2.73
Cr	5.47	-4.64	-1.22	-1.87	-2.15	4.89	-2.03	*	2.59	-0.10	-5.56	-4.34	-1.63
Cs	*	*	-0.53	-0.58	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	26.03	*
Cu	-0.71	-4.68	-0.60	-0.50	0.92	-2.91	0.58	*	1.83	-0.14	-0.78	0.25	-1.78
Dy	*	*	*	0.81	-0.17	-1.98	*	*	-3.91	0.81	*	*	2.44
Er	*	*	*	0.35	0.04	-2.33	*	*	-3.97	-0.01	*	*	2.14
Eu	*	*	*	-0.28	0.31	0.03	*	*	-0.87	0.03	*	*	0.93
Ga	*	-1.01	-0.62	0.65	*	-1.80	-0.62	*	*	2.47	-0.89	2.34	1.09
Gd	*	*	*	0.09	0.32	-0.30	*	*	-3.61	0.64	*	*	2.73
Hf	*	-6.37	-2.17	0.56	-0.73	*	*	*	*	1.91	16.83	*	1.91
Hg	*	*	6.08	*	*	-0.08	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Ho	*	*	*	0.38	-0.24	-1.92	*	*	-2.82	1.09	*	*	0.83
In	*	*	2.44	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
La	0.11	-1.26	-0.12	0.29	-0.00	0.03	2.98	*	-6.41	0.69	0.86	-0.17	1.03
Li	*	*	*	0.46	1.36	*	*	*	12.22	*	*	*	*
Lu	*	*	*	0.46	-0.24	-2.32	*	*	-3.47	*	*	*	2.15
Mo	-4.24	-1.98	-0.50	*	-0.78	0.00	*	*	*	0.16	0.42	0.71	0.00
Nb	-2.97	-0.35	-1.21	1.21	0.09	0.66	0.14	*	2.21	2.74	-2.11	0.66	0.76
Nd	*	-2.06	-0.00	0.20	0.23	-0.07	*	*	-5.72	0.70	-0.67	*	1.53
Ni	11.60	5.03	-0.97	0.10	2.87	-0.00	-0.97	*	30.94	1.41	-0.58	2.90	1.74
Pb	-10.60	-1.39	-0.30	1.14	0.42	-0.50	0.11	*	-8.16	0.02	1.86	0.67	2.66
Pr	*	*	*	0.08	0.15	0.12	*	*	-5.08	0.09	*	*	1.34
Rb	-1.91	-0.90	-0.48	0.45	0.03	-0.38	0.44	*	*	1.07	-0.83	0.95	*
Sb	*	-1.57	-0.74	*	0.83	*	*	*	*	1.21	-3.37	-5.31	1.90
Sc	*	-0.52	0.92	3.77	0.13	-0.13	-0.39	*	8.23	5.97	-1.95	4.84	12.83
Se	*	0.00	-0.28	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sm	*	*	1.46	-0.01	0.09	-0.32	*	*	-3.96	0.74	*	*	0.90
Sn	*	-3.82	-0.92	1.60	-0.49	*	*	*	112.14	*	3.18	1.73	-0.03
Sr	-1.31	-0.76	-0.66	0.73	0.00	-0.58	-0.07	*	1.97	-0.39	-1.21	0.80	*
Ta	*	32.28	-4.61	0.35	-1.79	*	*	*	*	3.57	*	*	*
Tb	*	*	*	0.23	0.11	-0.96	*	*	-2.27	-1.65	*	*	1.65
Te	*	*	-1.93	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Th	-0.07	-0.13	-1.20	0.55	-0.07	-1.22	0.74	*	*	-0.64	3.27	-2.50	1.96
Tl	*	*	1.06	2.21	-0.07	*	*	*	*	0.02	55.45	*	-1.20
Tm	*	*	*	0.00	-0.05	-2.05	*	*	-2.82	*	*	*	0.90
U	17.56	0.07	-4.06	1.48	-0.31	*	1.63	*	*	-0.97	1.39	-2.92	2.08
V	4.03	-1.88	-0.86	-0.23	-0.38	-1.95	0.11	*	*	0.30	-1.67	1.15	0.51
W	*	3.09	-0.42	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	-1.10	-6.30	*
Y	2.69	0.61	0.34	1.94	-0.44	-3.68	-1.22	*	-4.37	1.63	-0.57	1.12	0.30
Yb	*	*	0.15	0.72	-0.28	-2.86	*	*	-4.35	0.05	2.29	*	1.18
Zn	-0.87	-6.56	-0.01	-2.98	1.57	-0.95	-0.22	*	-4.63	0.52	-0.51	0.92	-1.22
Zr	-1.79	-1.12	-0.60	2.71	0.25	-1.60	0.06	*	*	*	-1.29	0.80	1.42

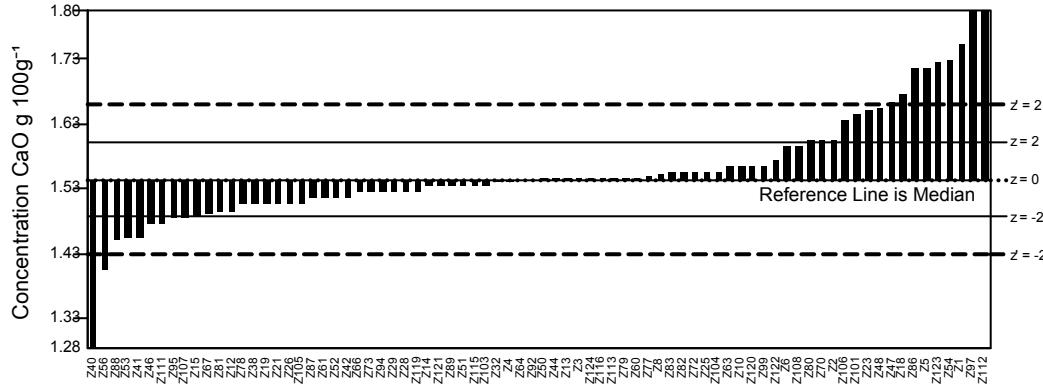
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Table 3 - GeoPT41A Z-scores for Mineralised stream sediment, SSCO-1. 14/06/2017

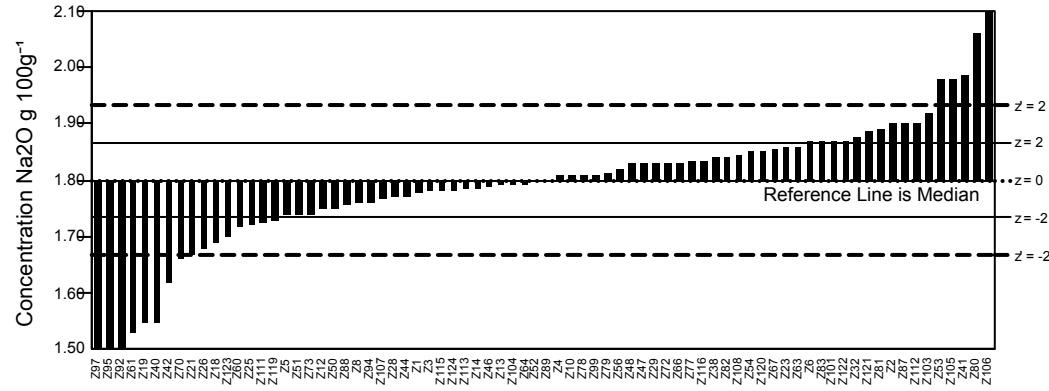
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SiO ₂	-0.72	*	<u>0.09</u>	1.13	<u>0.01</u>	0.40	<u>0.45</u>	-0.22	<u>-2.90</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TiO ₂	-0.08	*	<u>0.78</u>	<u>-0.63</u>	<u>0.78</u>	<u>0.23</u>	<u>0.12</u>	<u>-0.63</u>	<u>-0.04</u>	<u>0.45</u>
Al ₂ O ₃	-0.83	*	<u>-0.58</u>	1.18	<u>0.07</u>	<u>-0.87</u>	<u>0.28</u>	<u>-0.11</u>	<u>6.33</u>	<u>-0.19</u>
Fe ₂ O _{3T}	-0.28	*	<u>0.79</u>	<u>-1.37</u>	<u>0.63</u>	<u>-0.79</u>	<u>-0.27</u>	<u>0.96</u>	<u>2.66</u>	<u>0.23</u>
MnO	-0.41	*	<u>-8.86</u>	<u>-5.80</u>	<u>0.31</u>	<u>0.31</u>	<u>-0.19</u>	<u>-0.41</u>	<u>3.01</u>	<u>0.16</u>
MgO	1.59	*	<u>1.98</u>	3.30	<u>-1.32</u>	<u>-1.65</u>	<u>0.31</u>	3.30	<u>12.89</u>	<u>0.33</u>
CaO	0.05	*	<u>-0.16</u>	<u>0.02</u>	<u>-0.34</u>	<u>0.36</u>	<u>-0.17</u>	<u>1.06</u>	<u>3.13</u>	<u>0.01</u>
Na ₂ O	-0.52	*	<u>-0.30</u>	<u>1.06</u>	<u>-1.06</u>	<u>0.76</u>	<u>1.34</u>	<u>2.12</u>	<u>-1.52</u>	<u>-0.30</u>
K ₂ O	-0.63	*	<u>-0.01</u>	<u>0.16</u>	<u>-0.77</u>	<u>-0.09</u>	<u>0.18</u>	<u>0.84</u>	<u>0.84</u>	<u>-0.09</u>
P ₂ O ₅	-0.40	*	<u>-0.72</u>	<u>0.86</u>	<u>-0.62</u>	<u>0.22</u>	<u>0.05</u>	<u>2.94</u>	<u>8.36</u>	<u>0.01</u>
Ag	*	*	*	<u>4.83</u>	*	<u>-1.21</u>	*	*	*	<u>0.00</u>
Ba	<u>0.47</u>	*	<u>1.54</u>	<u>0.38</u>	<u>0.12</u>	<u>1.61</u>	<u>-0.35</u>	*	<u>0.71</u>	<u>-0.10</u>
Be	*	*	*	*	*	<u>0.74</u>	<u>-0.53</u>	*	*	*
Bi	*	*	*	*	*	<u>0.28</u>	<u>-0.60</u>	*	*	*
C(tot)	<u>-22.72</u>	<u>1.49</u>	<u>0.93</u>	*	*	<u>-22.72</u>	<u>1.33</u>	<u>-0.70</u>	*	<u>0.47</u>
Cd	*	*	*	*	*	<u>1.28</u>	<u>-0.85</u>	*	<u>233.25</u>	<u>3.19</u>
Ce	-0.20	*	<u>0.60</u>	<u>0.28</u>	*	<u>-0.27</u>	<u>0.11</u>	*	<u>-3.86</u>	<u>-0.48</u>
Co	<u>0.47</u>	*	*	<u>0.48</u>	*	<u>0.56</u>	<u>-0.16</u>	*	*	<u>-0.08</u>
Cr	<u>0.01</u>	*	*	<u>2.40</u>	<u>-0.30</u>	<u>-2.03</u>	<u>-0.24</u>	*	<u>12.40</u>	<u>-0.30</u>
Cs	*	*	*	*	*	<u>-0.78</u>	<u>-0.11</u>	*	*	*
Cu	-0.43	*	<u>-1.65</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-0.54</u>	<u>-6.53</u>	<u>0.79</u>	*	<u>3.70</u>	<u>0.42</u>
Dy	-1.00	*	*	*	*	<u>-1.29</u>	<u>-0.05</u>	*	*	*
Er	-1.56	*	*	*	*	<u>0.02</u>	<u>-0.26</u>	*	*	*
Eu	-0.47	*	*	*	*	<u>-1.04</u>	<u>-0.18</u>	*	*	*
Ga	-0.47	*	<u>-0.38</u>	<u>-1.01</u>	<u>-1.21</u>	<u>0.33</u>	<u>-0.35</u>	*	<u>1.15</u>	<u>0.56</u>
Gd	<u>-0.95</u>	*	*	*	*	<u>-0.44</u>	<u>-0.34</u>	*	*	*
Hf	*	*	*	*	*	<u>-5.93</u>	<u>-1.43</u>	*	*	<u>0.00</u>
Hg	*	<u>0.98</u>	<u>0.18</u>	*	*	*	*	*	<u>122.48</u>	<u>10.12</u>
Ho	<u>-1.43</u>	*	*	*	*	<u>0.26</u>	<u>-0.13</u>	*	*	*
In	*	*	*	*	*	<u>0.34</u>	<u>0.32</u>	*	*	*
La	<u>-1.35</u>	*	<u>0.37</u>	<u>-0.63</u>	*	<u>-0.23</u>	<u>-0.29</u>	*	<u>2.70</u>	<u>1.26</u>
Li	<u>1.08</u>	*	*	*	*	<u>-4.61</u>	<u>-1.61</u>	*	*	*
Lu	<u>-1.20</u>	*	*	*	*	<u>1.13</u>	<u>-0.29</u>	*	*	*
Mo	*	*	<u>-0.57</u>	<u>2.12</u>	*	<u>3.04</u>	<u>0.70</u>	*	*	<u>1.41</u>
Nb	-0.98	*	<u>-0.95</u>	<u>1.10</u>	<u>-0.38</u>	<u>-1.21</u>	<u>-0.18</u>	*	<u>-1.94</u>	<u>-0.38</u>
Nd	<u>-1.39</u>	*	<u>2.96</u>	<u>-2.46</u>	*	<u>0.10</u>	<u>-0.09</u>	*	<u>13.44</u>	<u>0.47</u>
Ni	*	*	<u>1.45</u>	<u>3.67</u>	<u>-0.00</u>	<u>1.45</u>	<u>-0.04</u>	*	<u>4.83</u>	<u>1.93</u>
Pb	<u>0.02</u>	*	<u>-0.25</u>	<u>2.66</u>	<u>0.06</u>	<u>1.77</u>	<u>-0.21</u>	*	<u>0.78</u>	<u>0.08</u>
Pr	<u>-1.47</u>	*	*	*	*	<u>-0.21</u>	<u>-0.16</u>	*	*	<u>0.53</u>
Rb	<u>0.45</u>	*	<u>-0.52</u>	<u>0.48</u>	<u>-0.48</u>	<u>0.34</u>	<u>-2.17</u>	*	<u>0.24</u>	<u>0.14</u>
Sb	*	*	*	*	*	<u>-2.06</u>	<u>-0.08</u>	*	*	*
Sc	<u>5.60</u>	*	*	<u>0.50</u>	*	<u>0.26</u>	<u>0.00</u>	*	*	<u>-1.70</u>
Se	*	*	*	<u>0.00</u>	*	<u>3.89</u>	*	*	*	*
Sm	-0.85	*	<u>-0.09</u>	*	*	<u>-0.09</u>	<u>-0.05</u>	*	*	<u>1.74</u>
Sn	*	*	*	<u>2.70</u>	<u>2.98</u>	<u>0.47</u>	<u>0.70</u>	*	*	*
Sr	-0.49	*	<u>-0.95</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-0.44</u>	<u>-7.92</u>	<u>-0.42</u>	*	<u>0.36</u>	<u>0.07</u>
Ta	*	*	*	*	*	<u>3.11</u>	<u>0.08</u>	*	*	*
Tb	<u>-1.04</u>	*	*	*	*	<u>1.11</u>	<u>-0.11</u>	*	*	*
Te	*	*	*	*	*	<u>-0.12</u>	*	*	*	*
Th	-1.75	*	*	<u>-0.13</u>	<u>-2.50</u>	<u>-2.50</u>	<u>-0.47</u>	*	*	<u>0.74</u>
Tl	*	*	*	*	*	<u>-0.29</u>	<u>-0.49</u>	*	*	*
Tm	<u>-1.56</u>	*	*	*	*	<u>1.92</u>	<u>-0.13</u>	*	*	*
U	-0.62	*	*	<u>3.25</u>	*	<u>-1.74</u>	<u>0.08</u>	*	*	<u>-2.92</u>
V	<u>0.96</u>	*	<u>2.38</u>	<u>2.46</u>	<u>-0.30</u>	<u>-0.51</u>	<u>-0.55</u>	*	<u>7.54</u>	<u>-0.51</u>
W	*	*	*	<u>-1.49</u>	*	<u>0.40</u>	<u>0.21</u>	*	*	*
Y	-1.73	*	<u>0.50</u>	<u>0.37</u>	<u>1.12</u>	<u>0.66</u>	<u>0.08</u>	*	<u>-4.35</u>	<u>0.73</u>
Yb	-1.13	*	<u>2.47</u>	*	*	<u>0.15</u>	<u>-0.25</u>	*	*	*
Zn	<u>0.31</u>	*	<u>-0.32</u>	<u>1.95</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-6.12</u>	<u>-0.06</u>	*	<u>1.03</u>	<u>-0.08</u>
Zr	*	*	<u>-0.76</u>	<u>-1.23</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-9.74</u>	<u>-1.67</u>	*	<u>0.18</u>	<u>-0.18</u>

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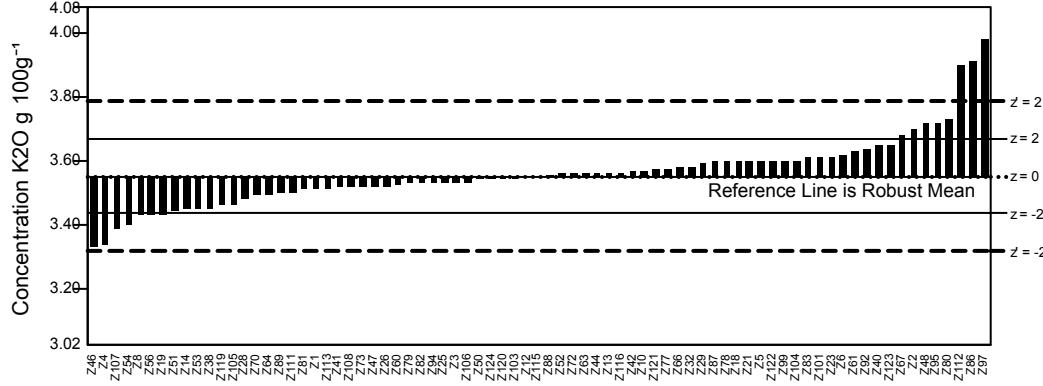
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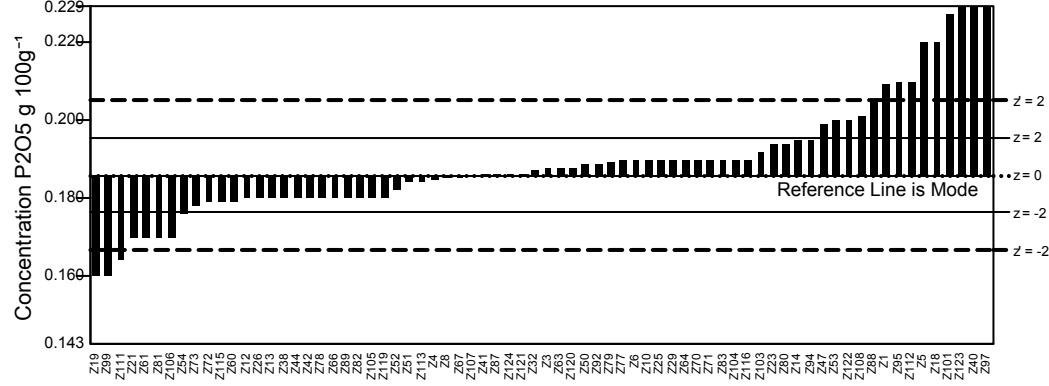
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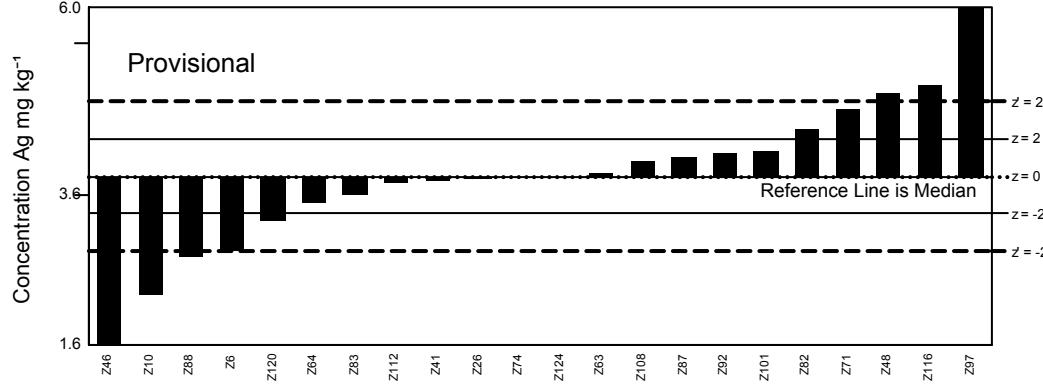
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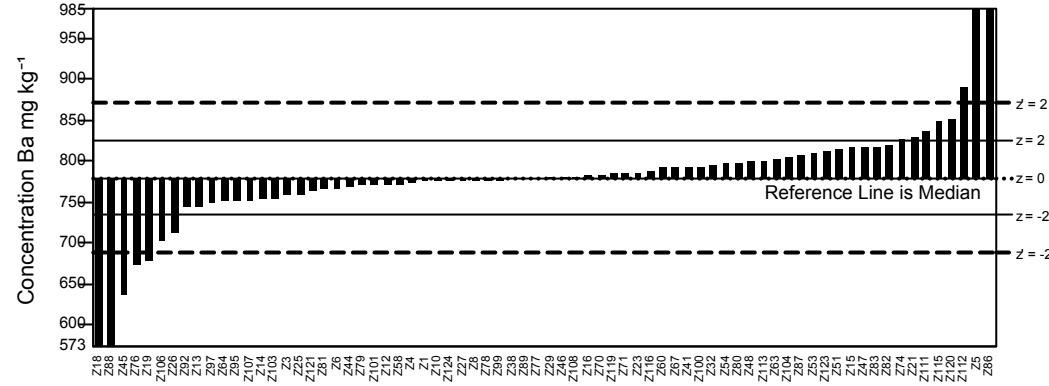
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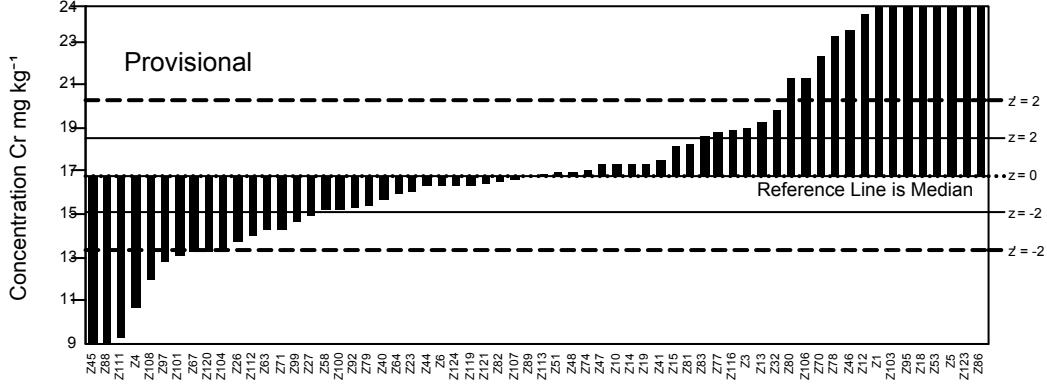
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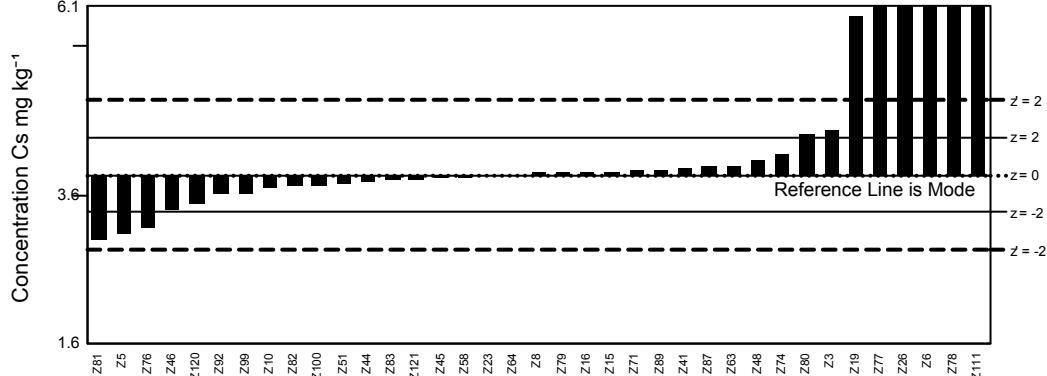
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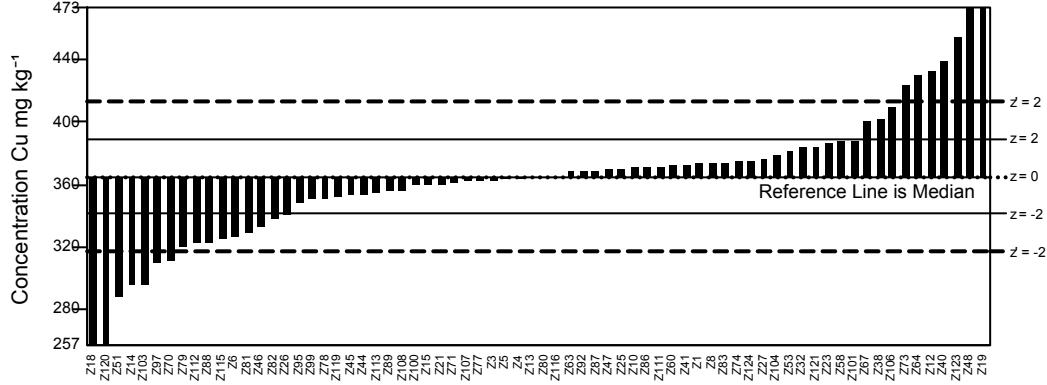
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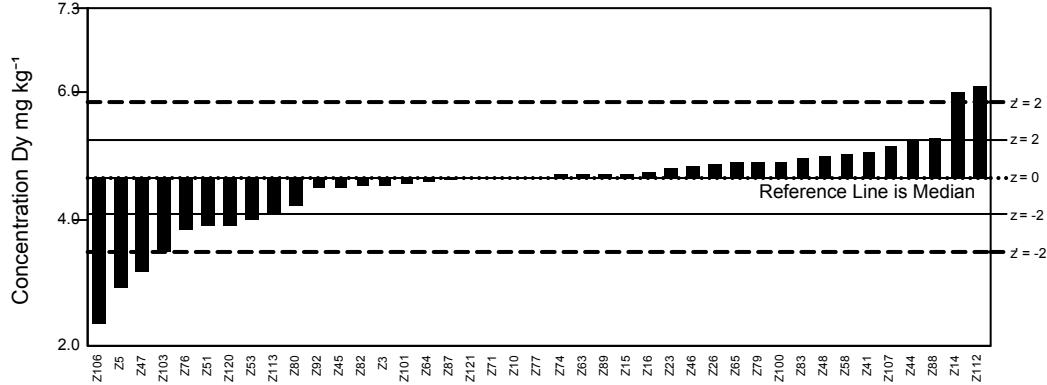
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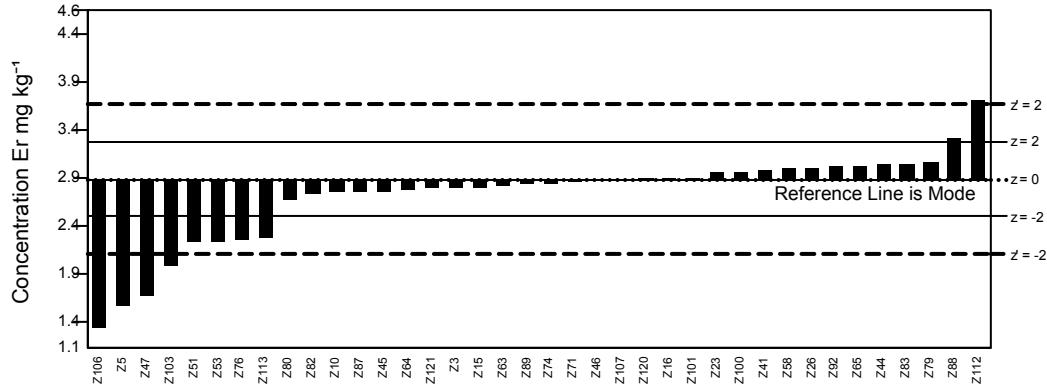
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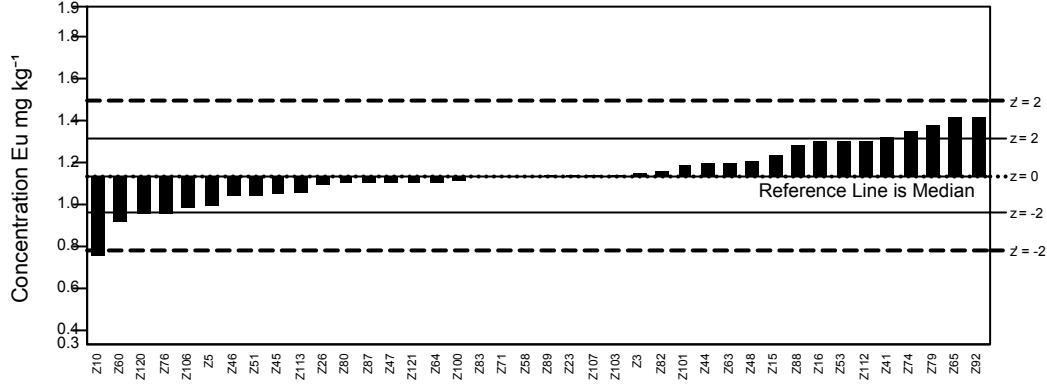
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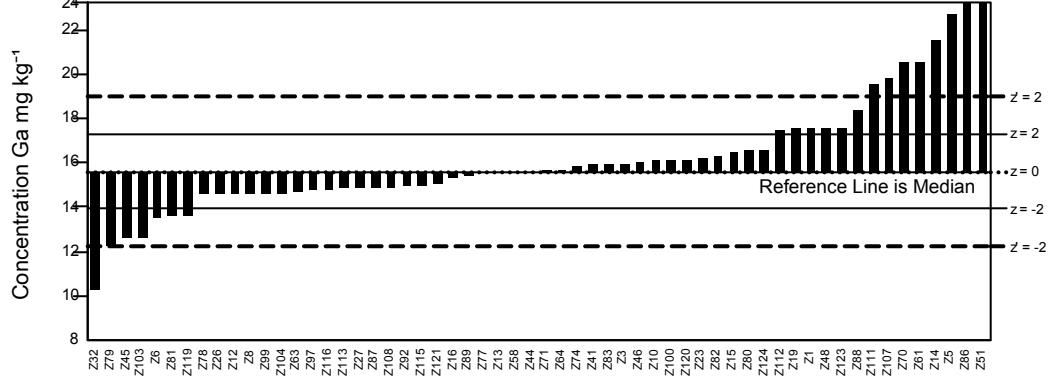
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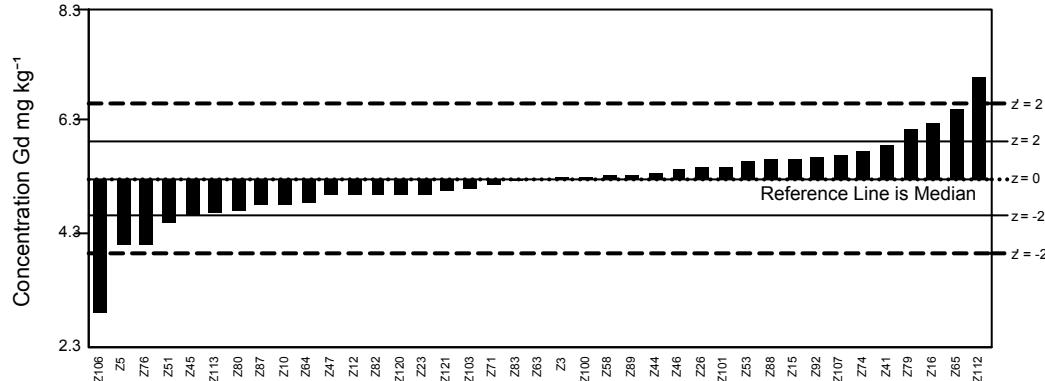
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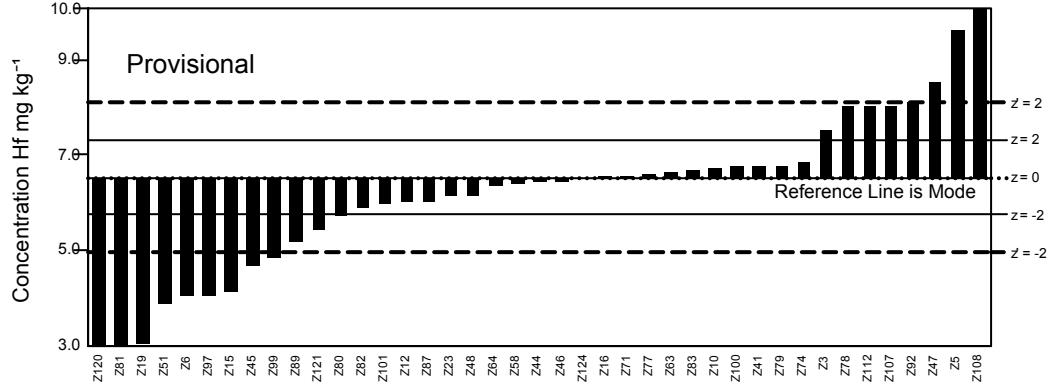
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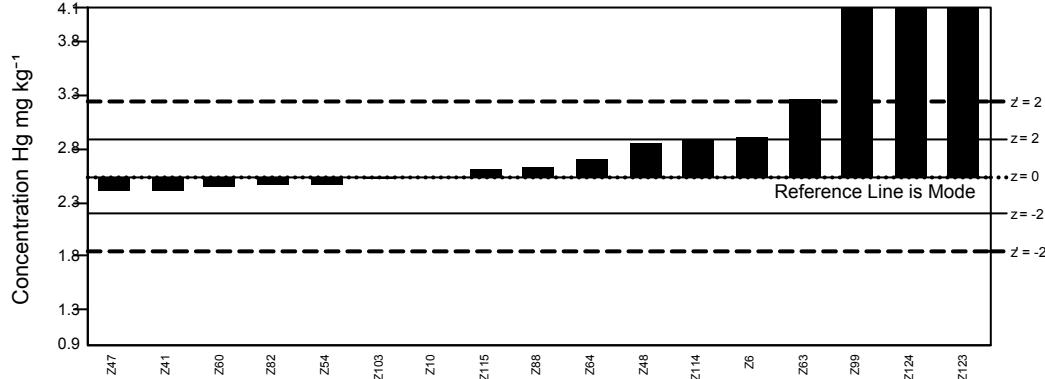
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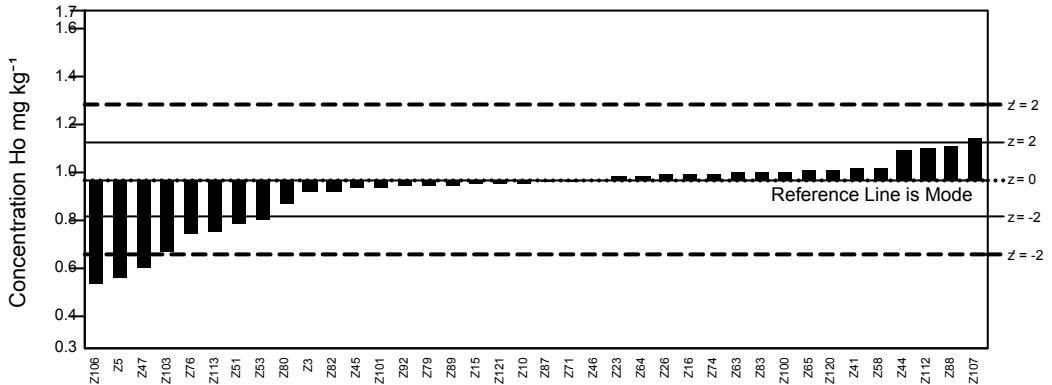
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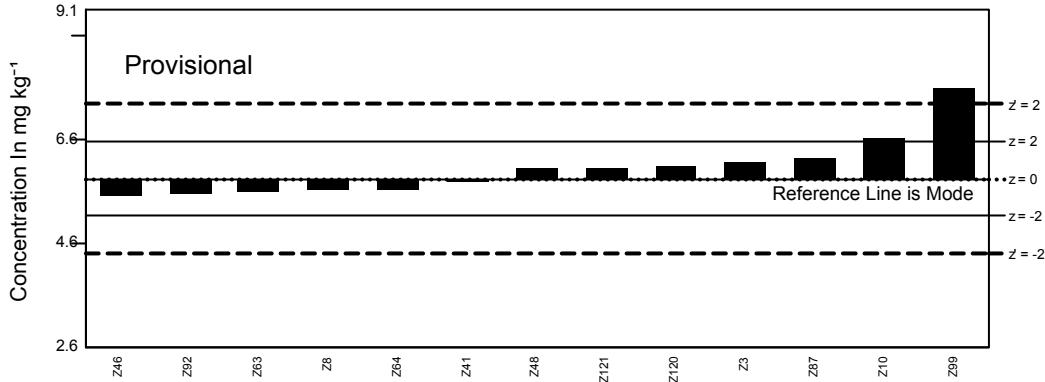
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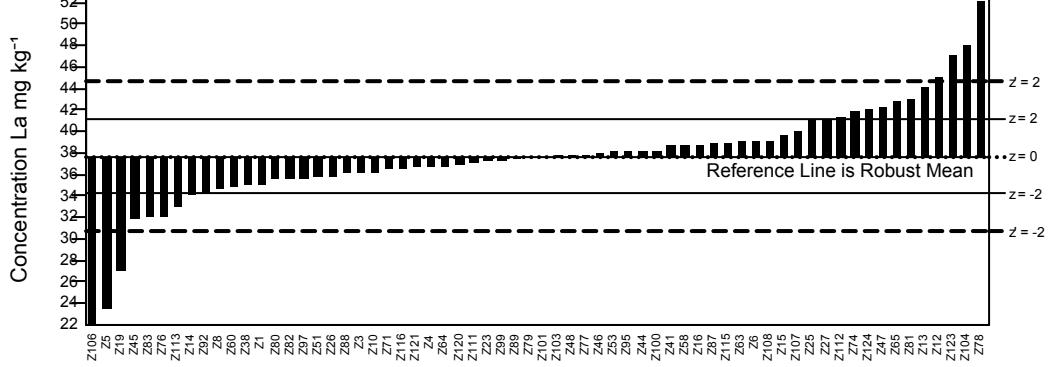
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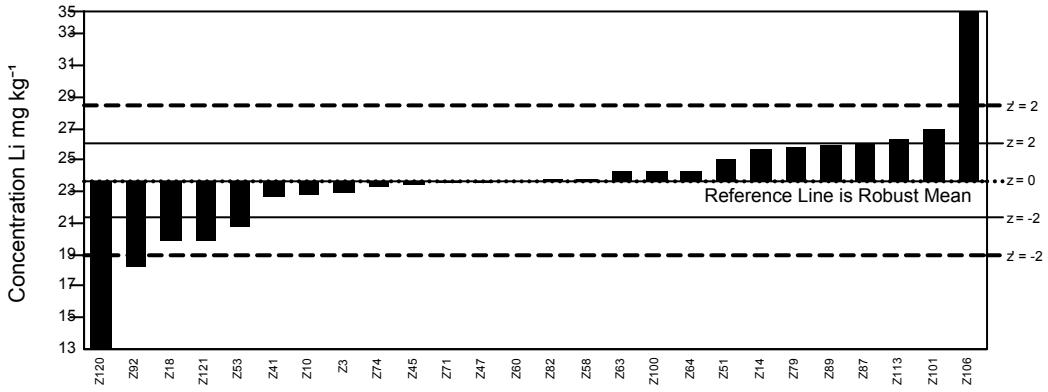
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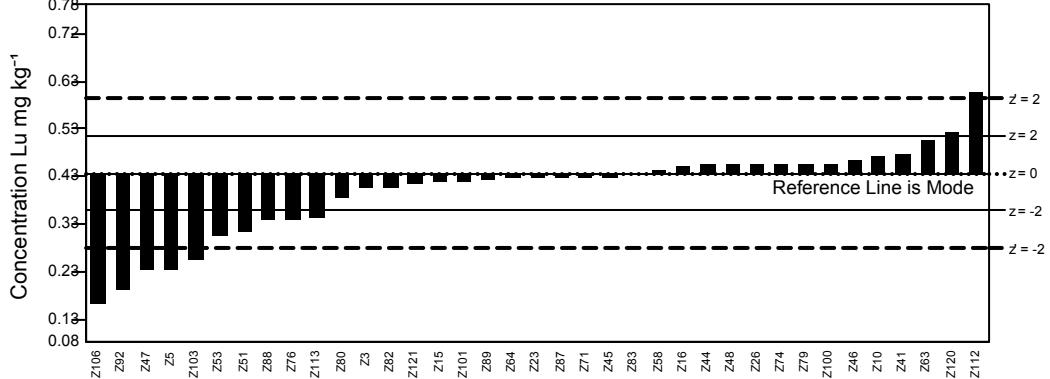
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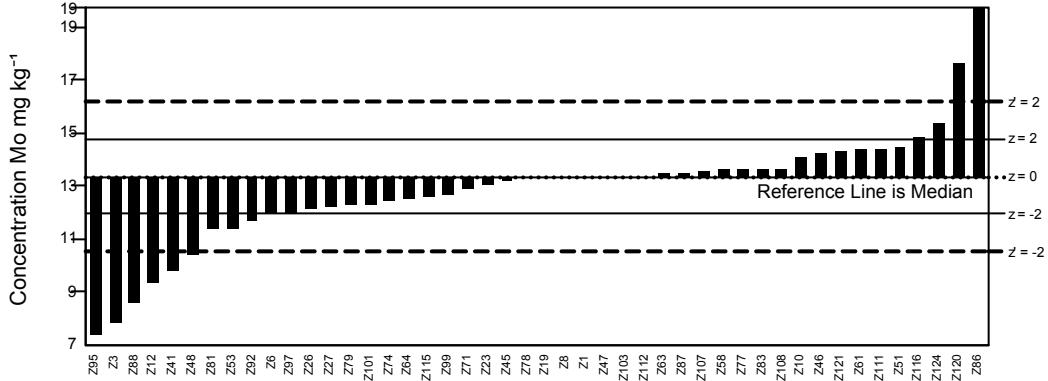
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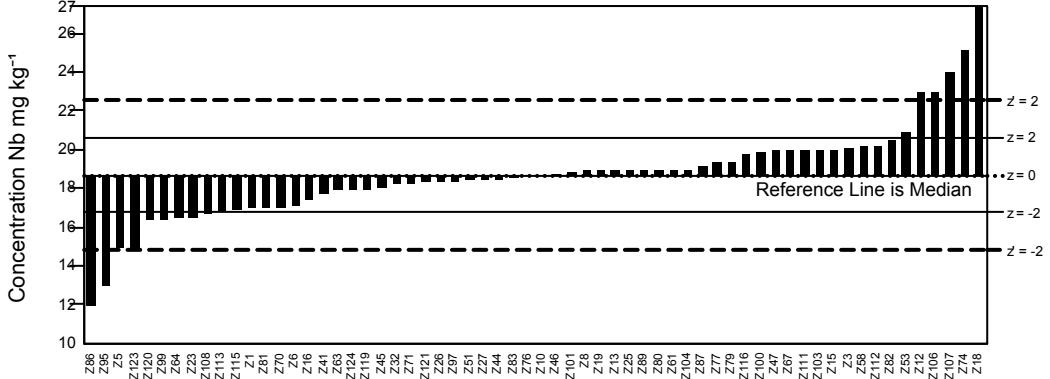
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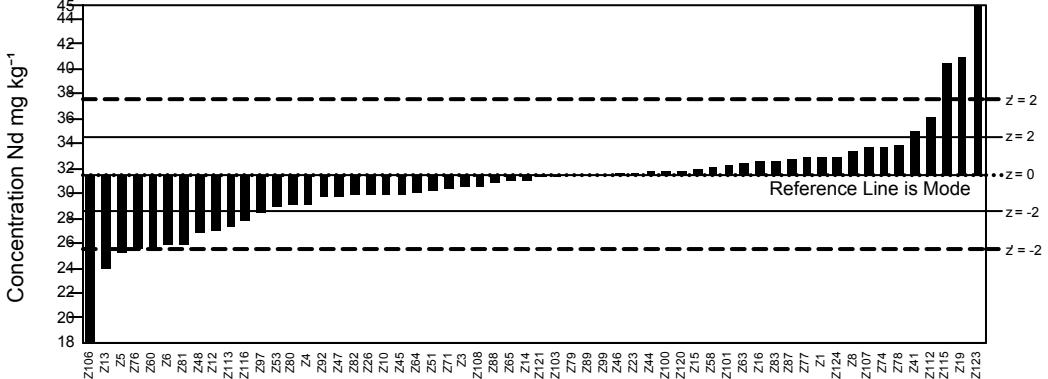
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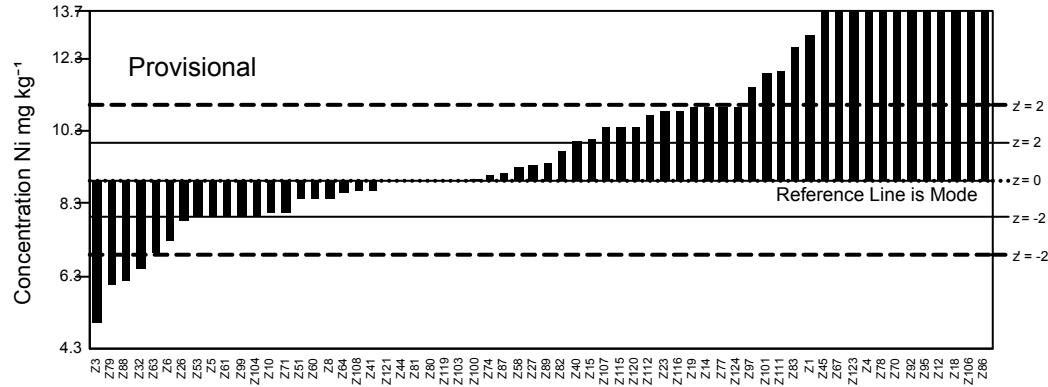
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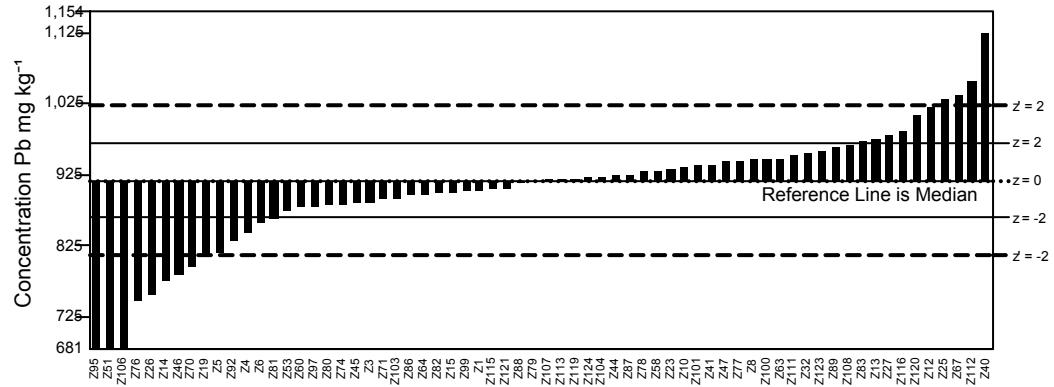
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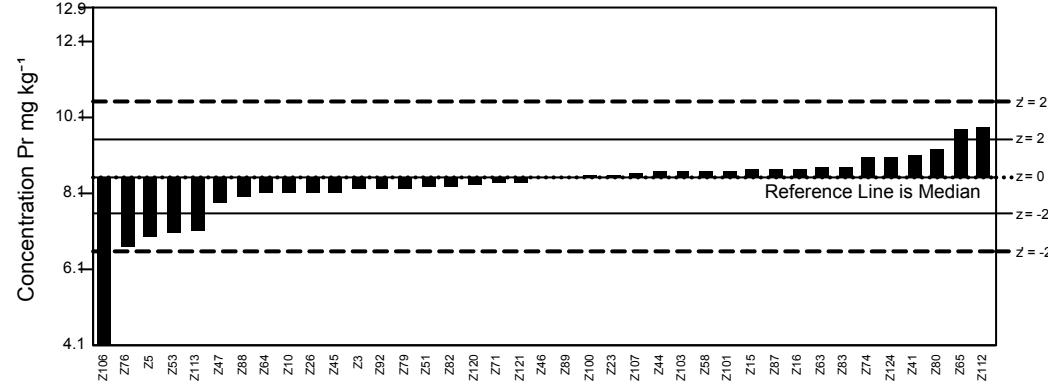
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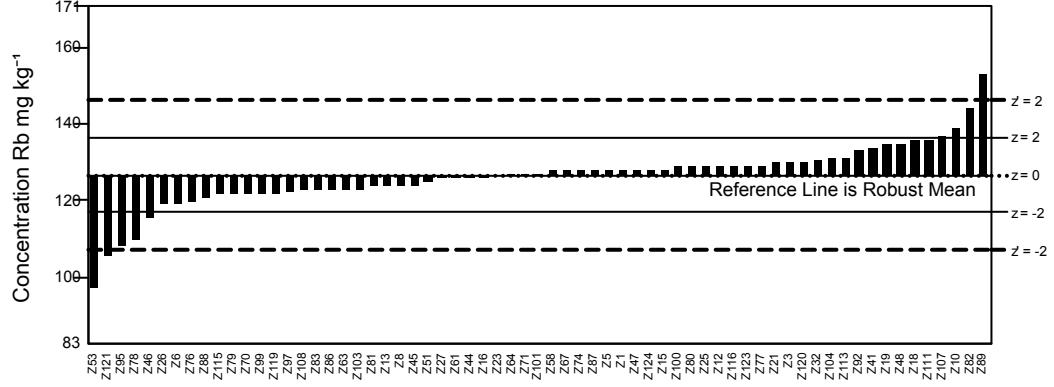
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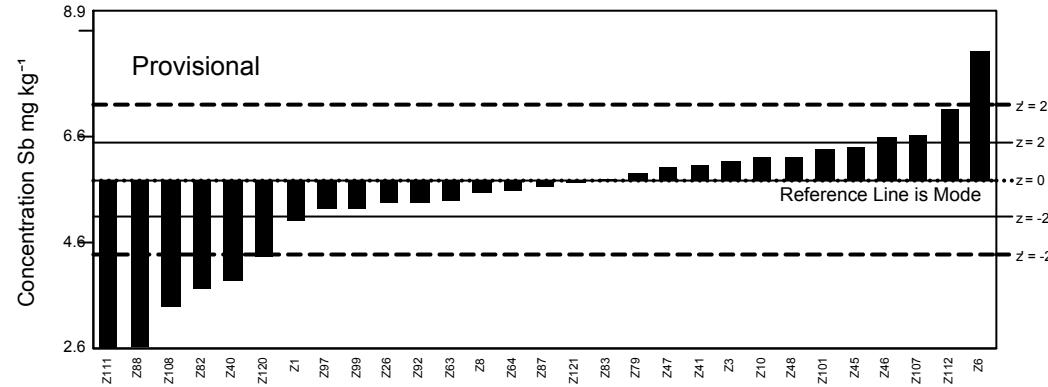
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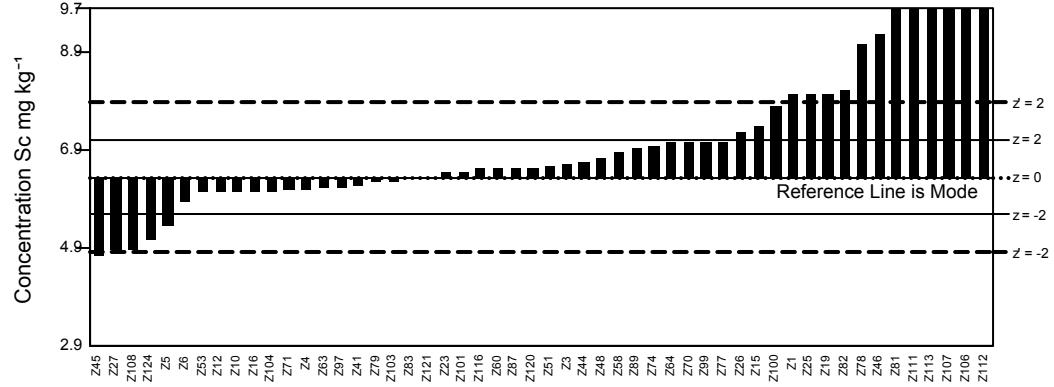
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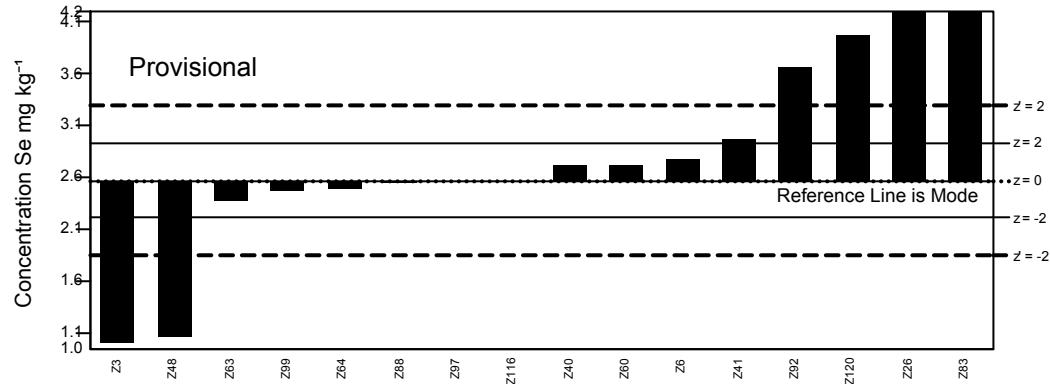
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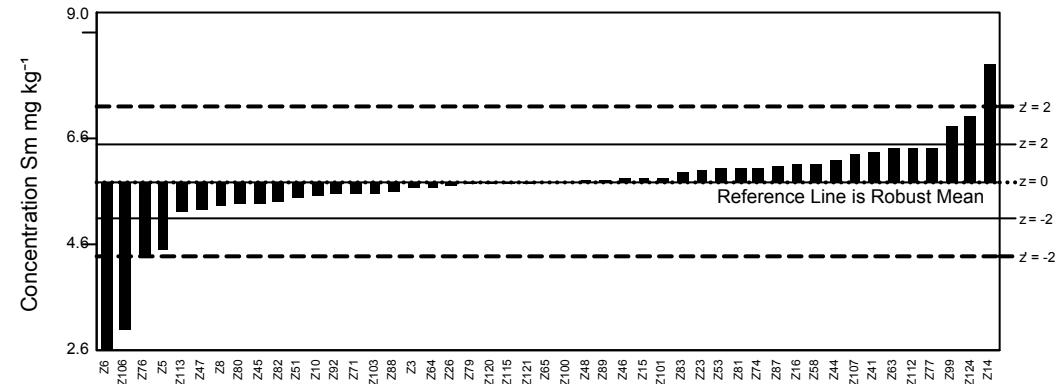
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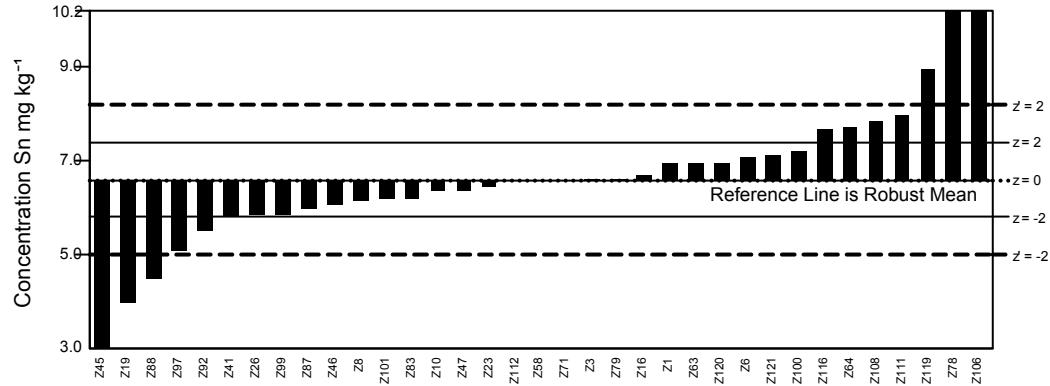
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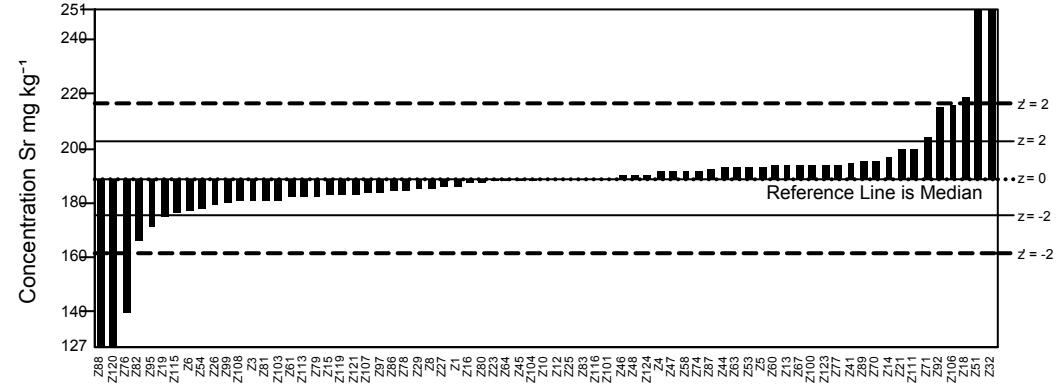
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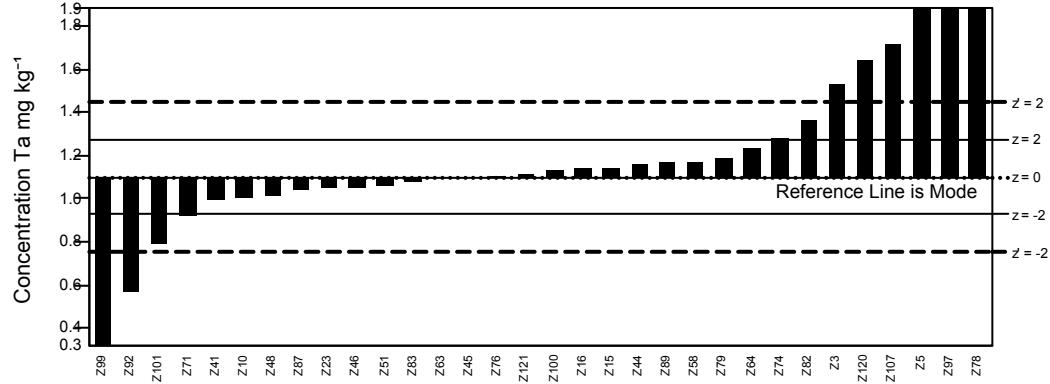
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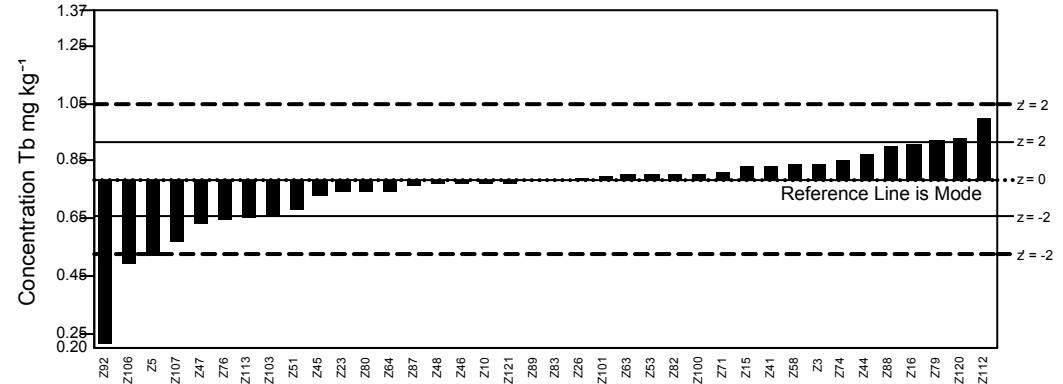
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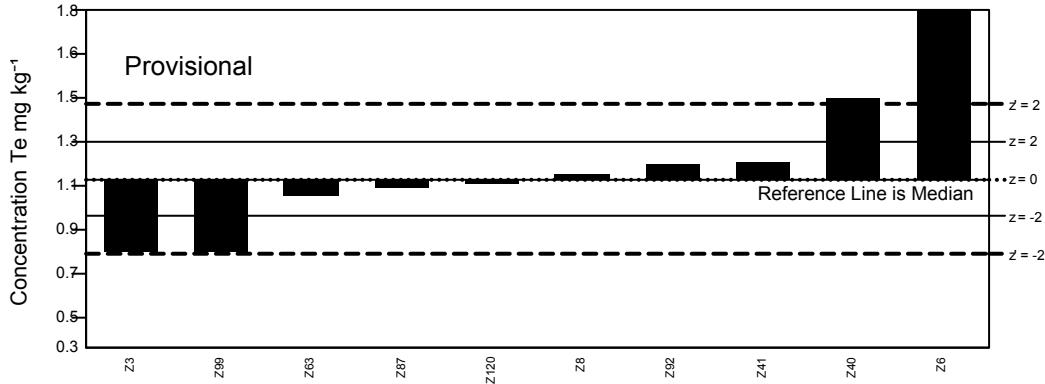
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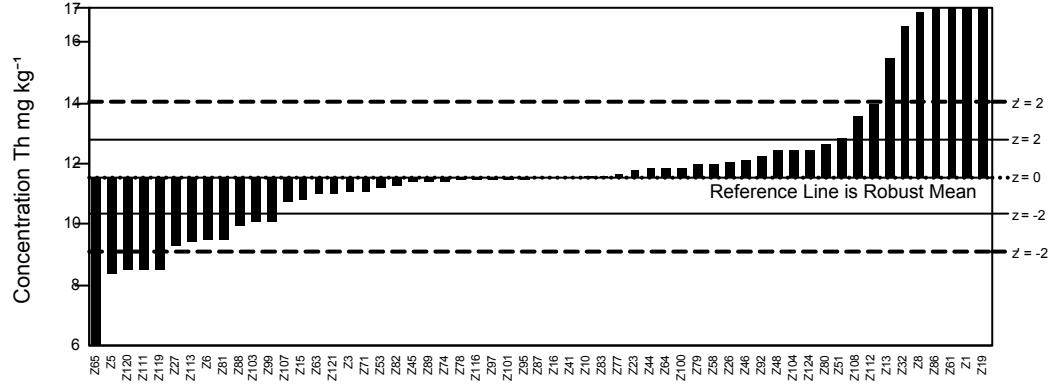
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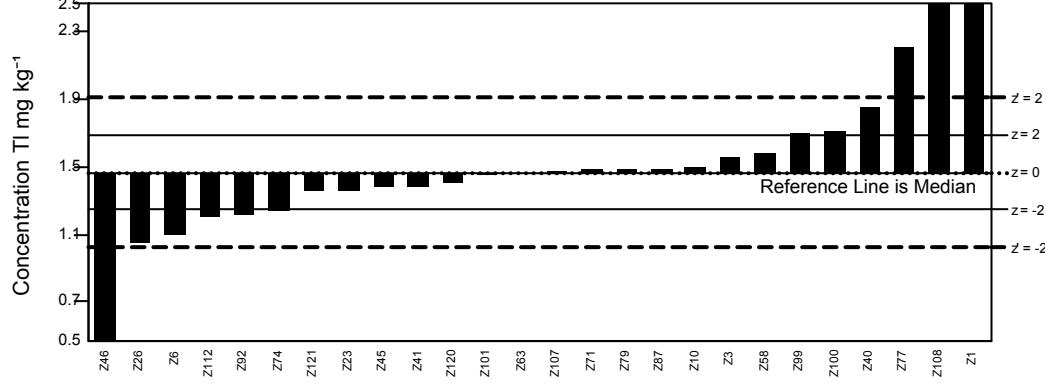
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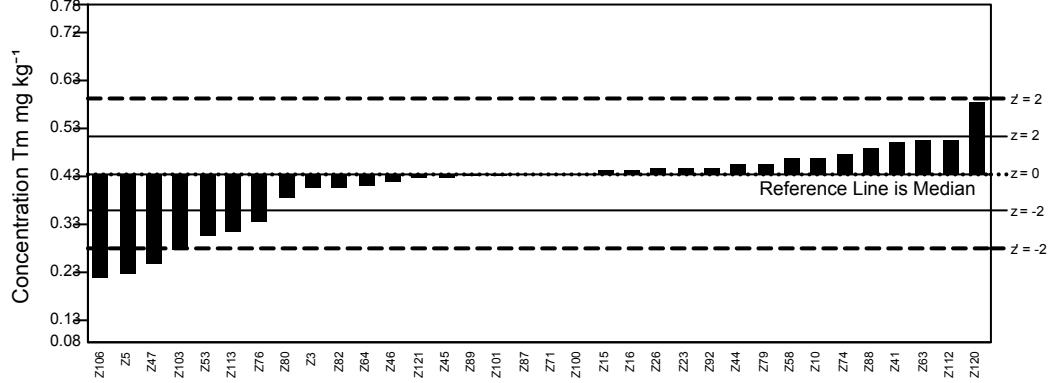
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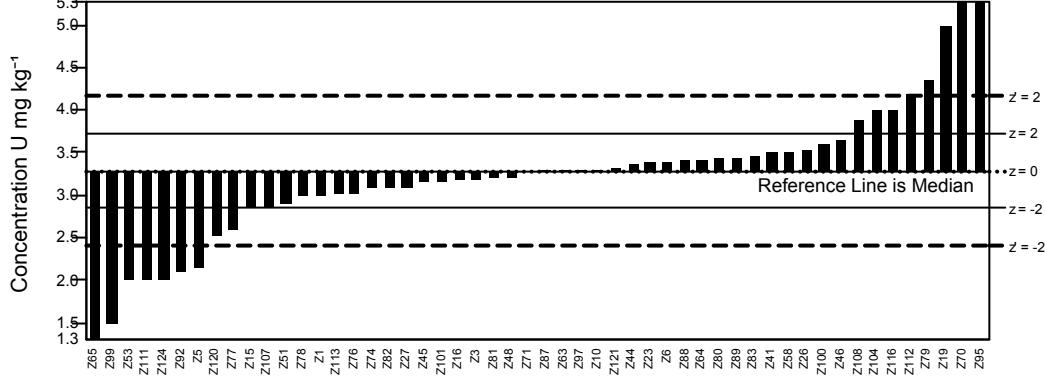
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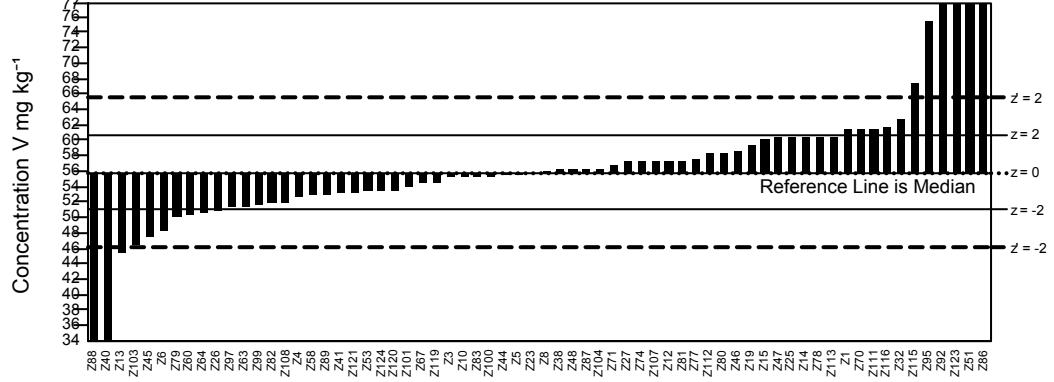
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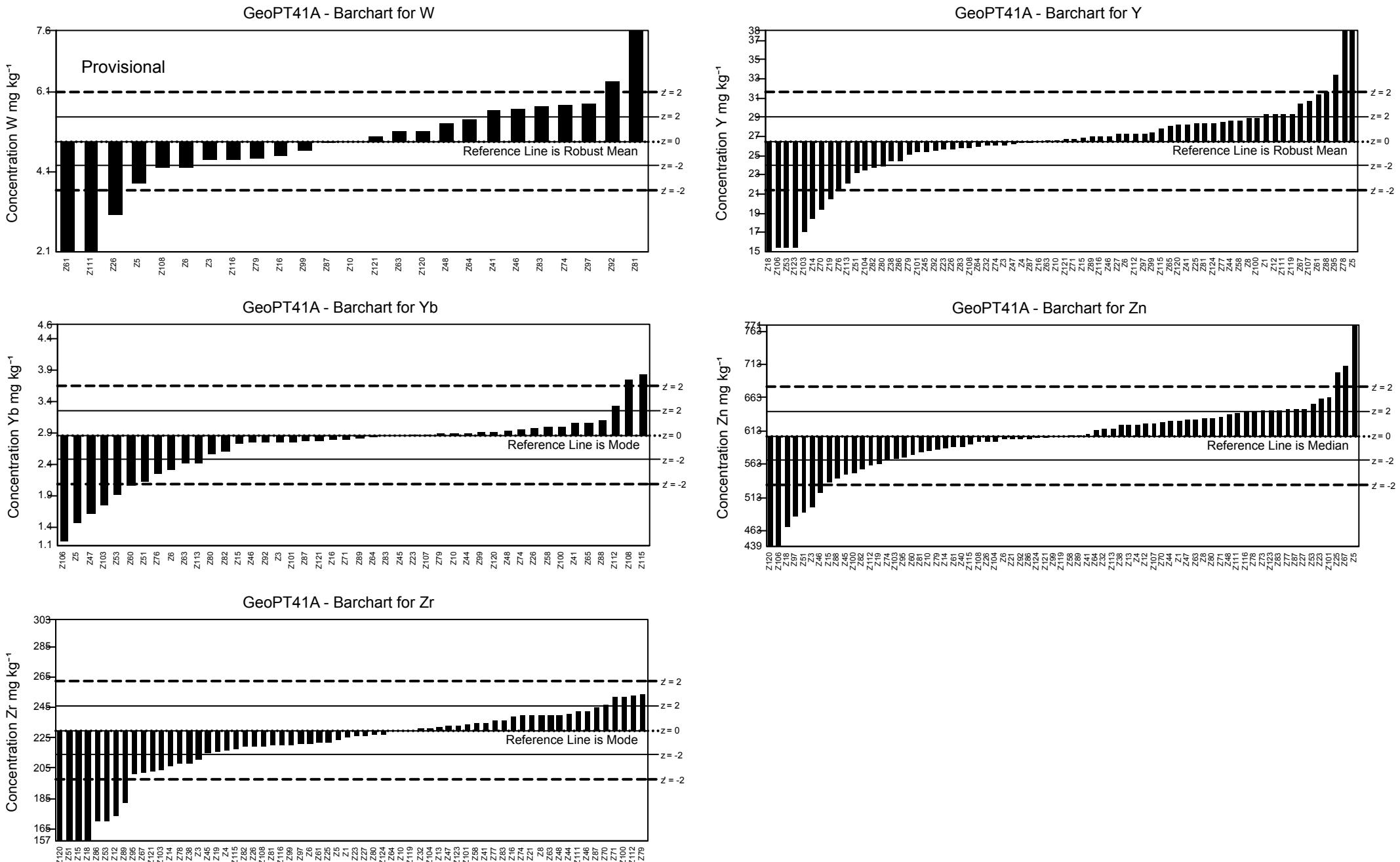
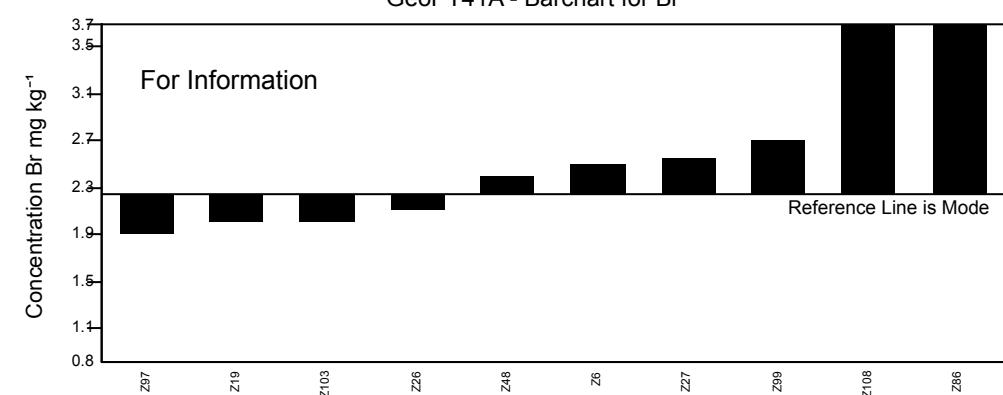
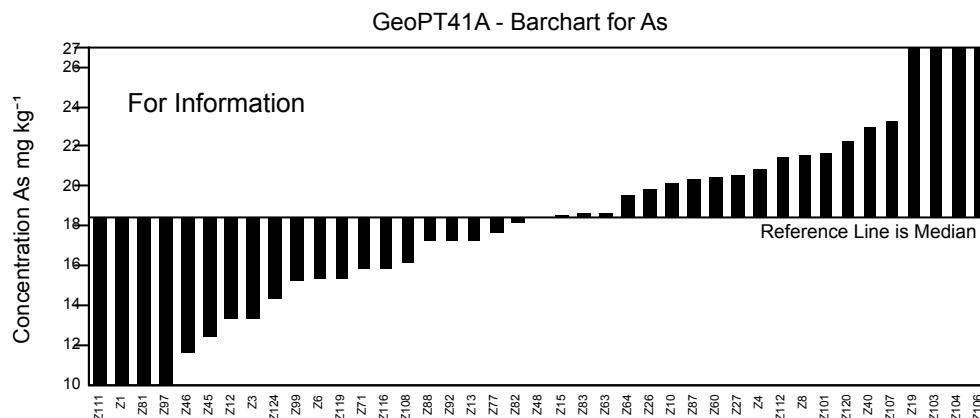
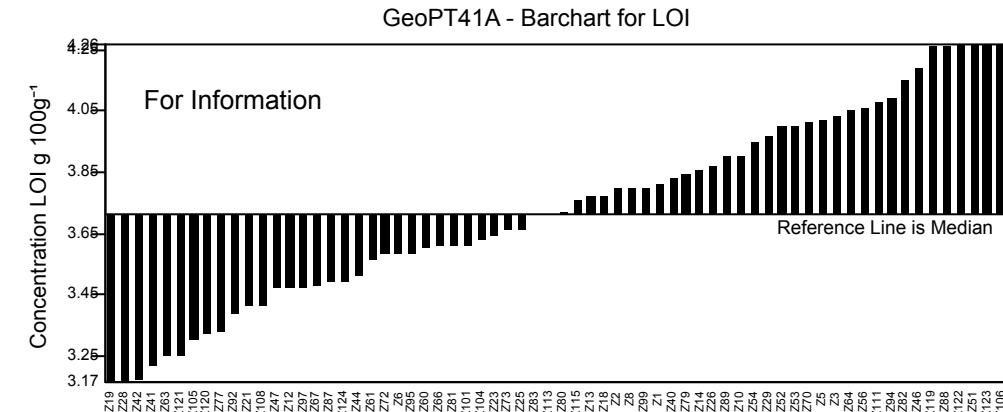
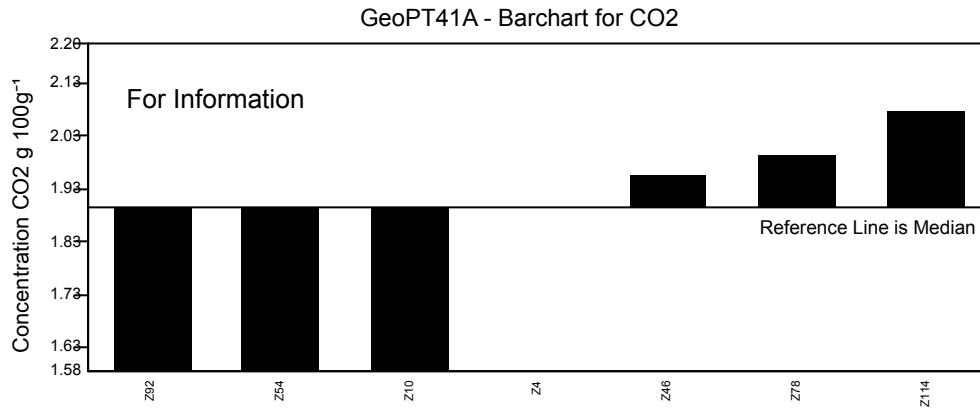
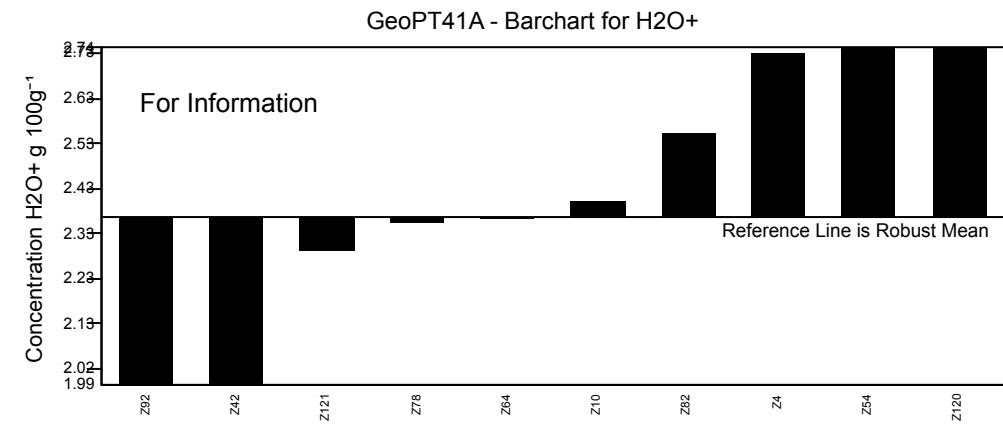
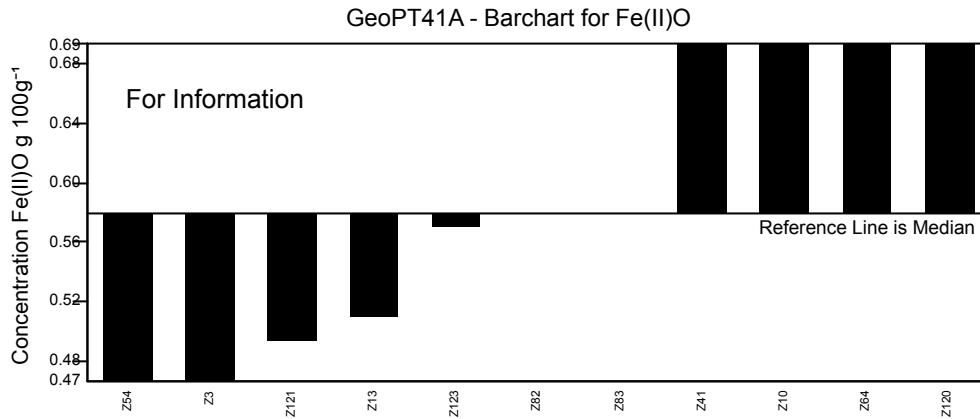


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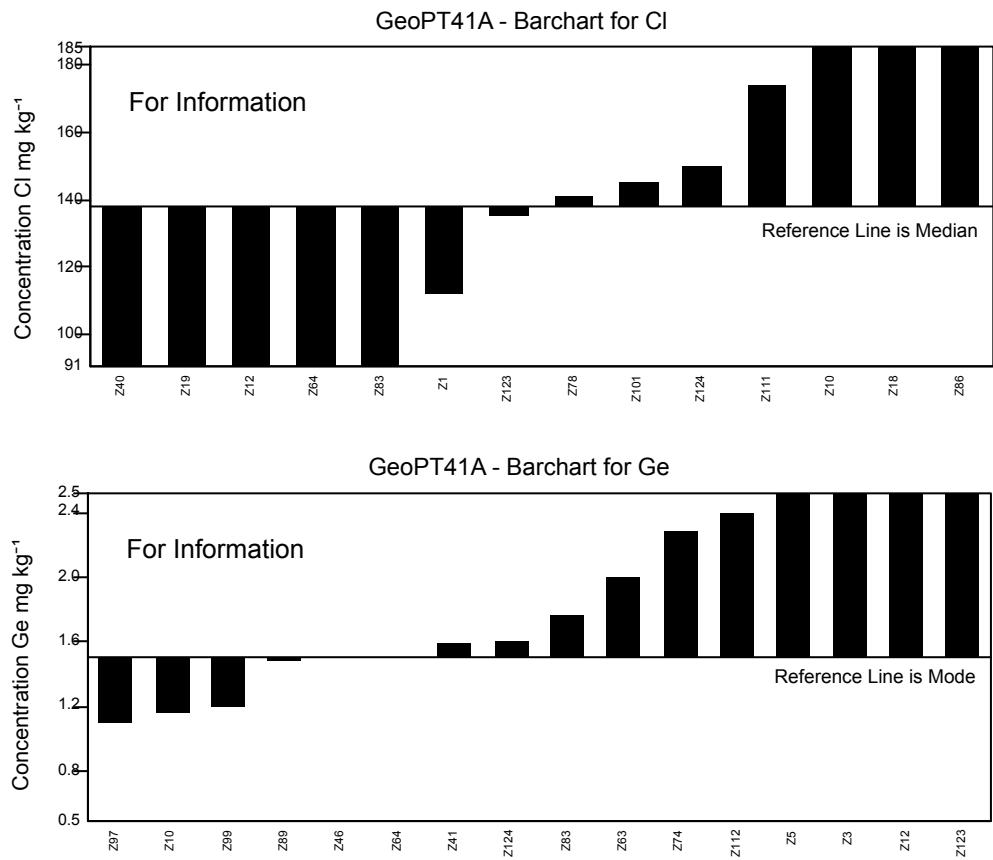
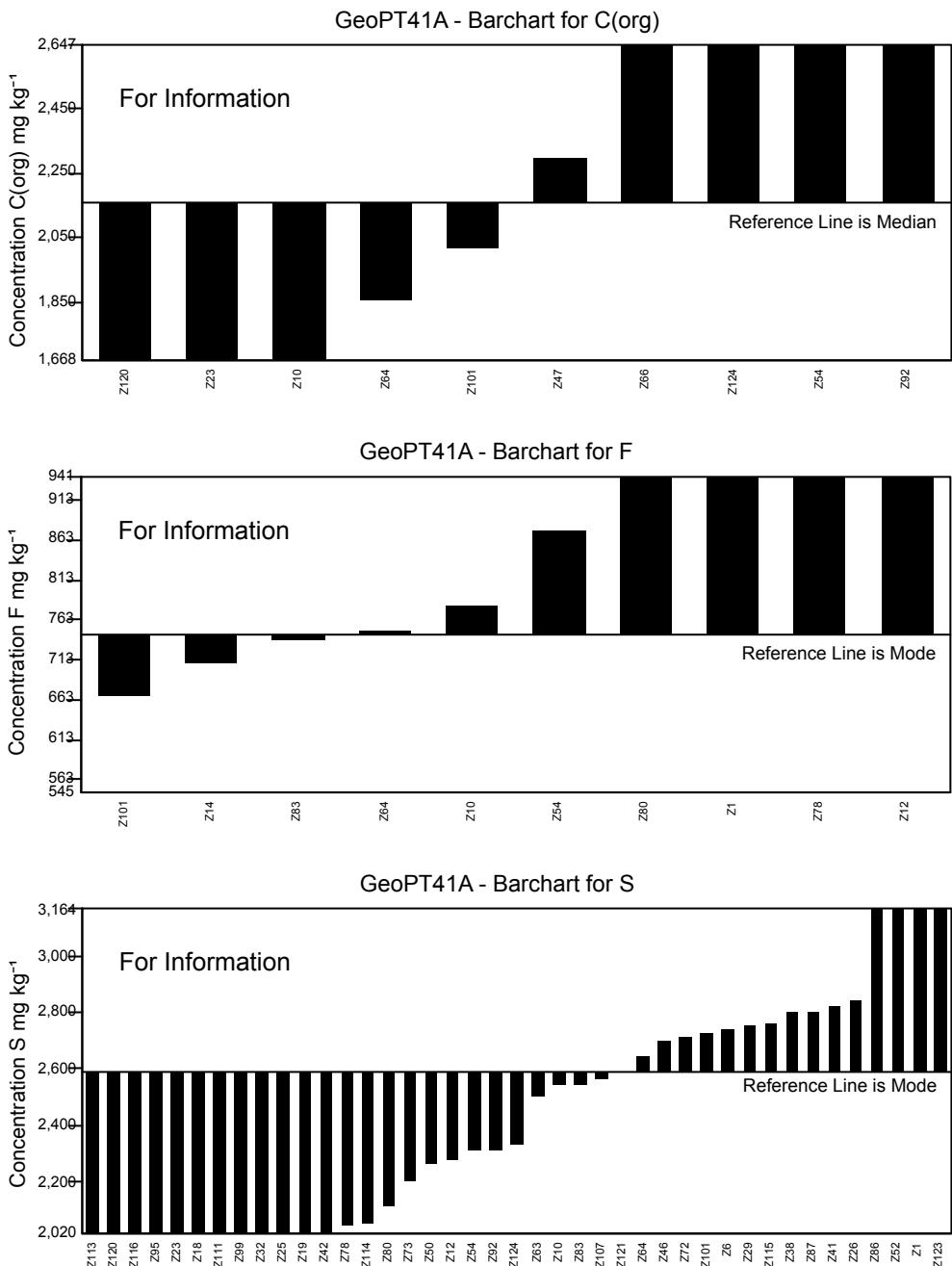


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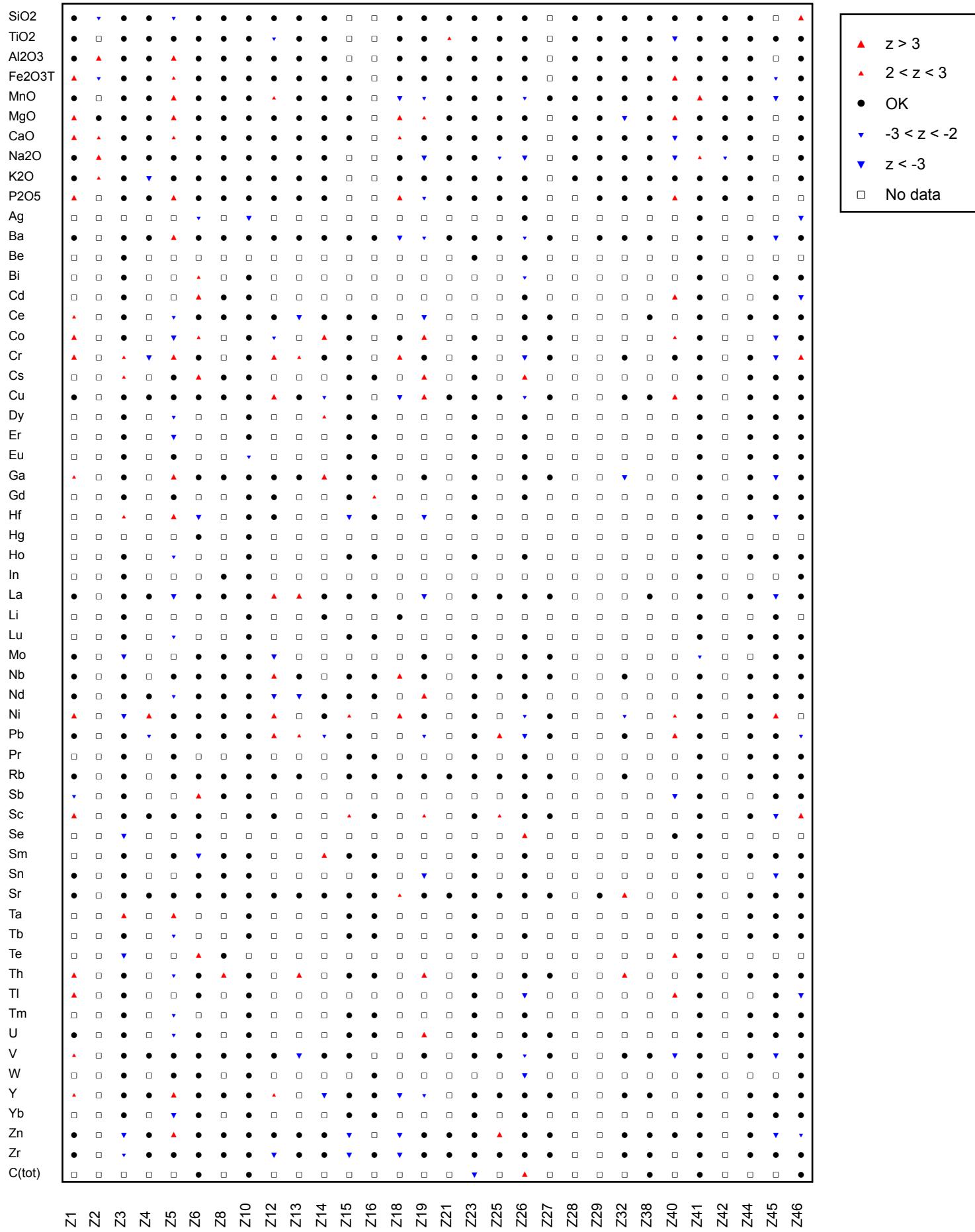


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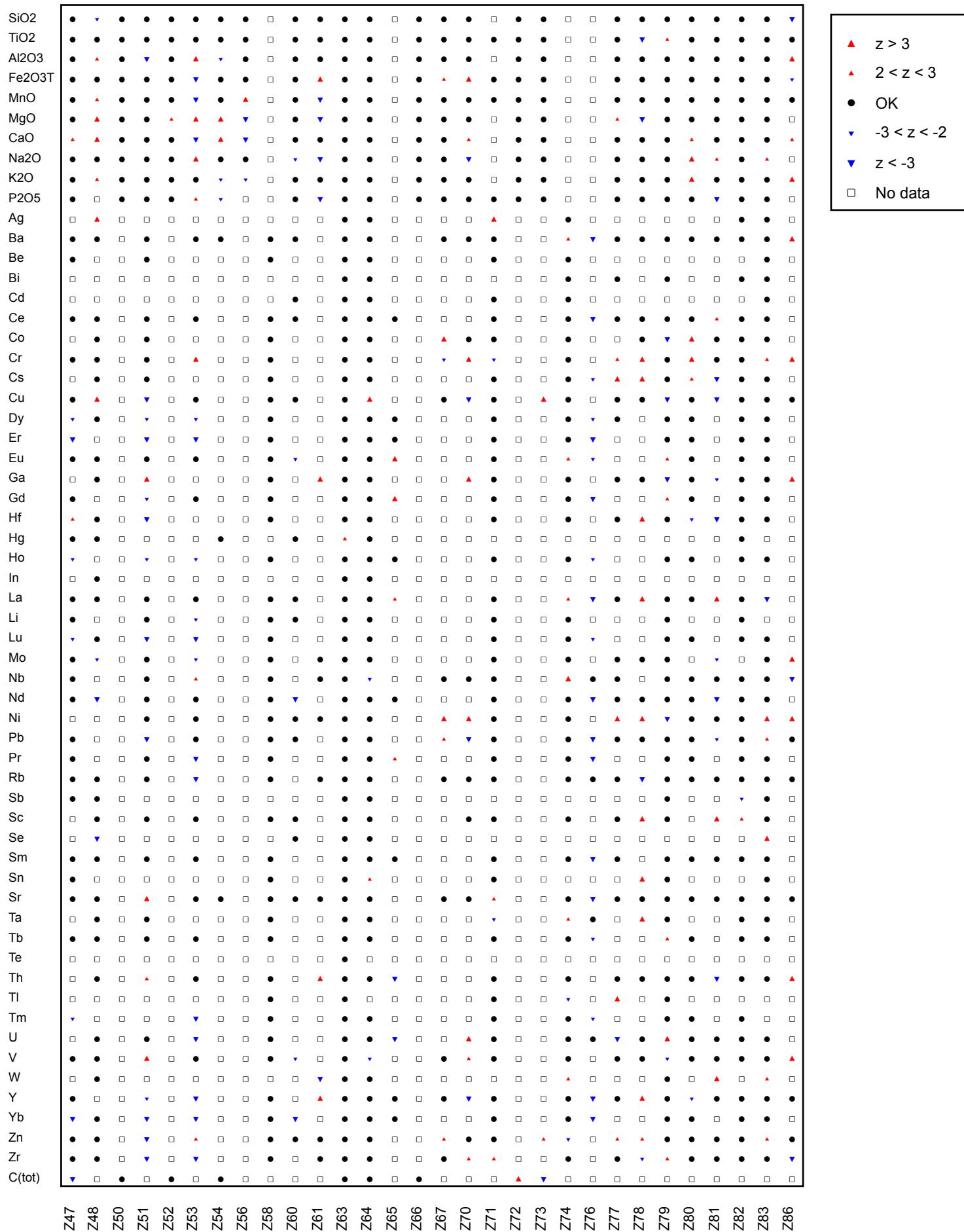


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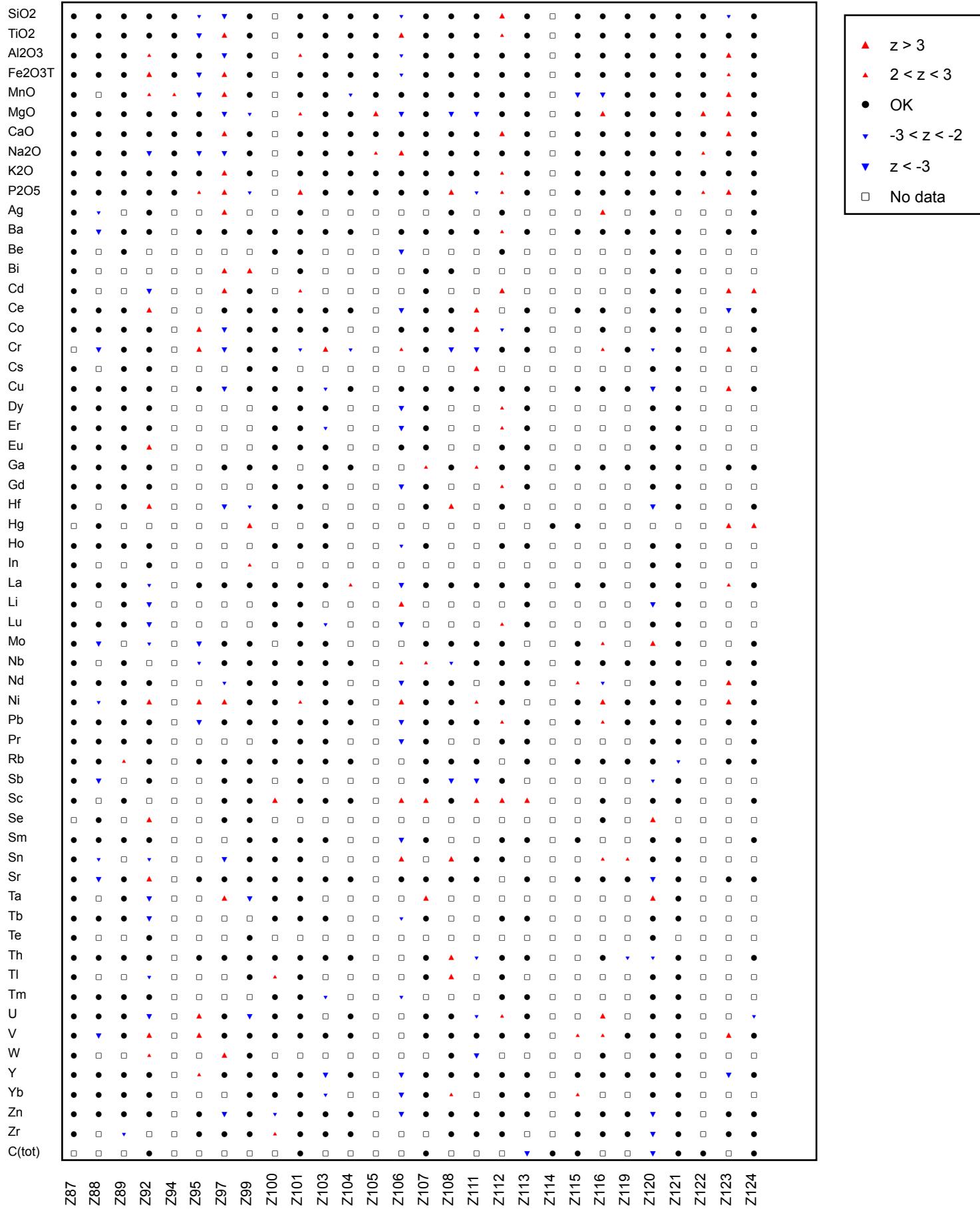


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