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3 **A reassessment of the amphibole-plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange thermometer with**  
4 **applications to igneous and high-grade metamorphic rocks**

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## Abstract

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24 The amphibole-plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange thermometer by Holland and Blundy (1994 —  
25 expression B) has been extensively applied to calcic amphibole-bearing assemblages from  
26 metamorphic and igneous rocks, whereas the more recent calibrations of the amphibole-only  
27 thermometer by Ridolfi and Renzulli (2012 — expression 2) and Putirka (2016 — expressions 5 and 6)  
28 are employed for determining amphibole-saturation temperatures in hydrous magmas. However, a test  
29 of these expressions performed on experimental data compiled from the literature reveals significant  
30 inaccuracies, tending expression B to underestimate temperatures in high-Mg amphibole, and the  
31 amphibole-only expressions to overestimate temperatures in amphibole with either low Mg or high  
32 Al<sup>VI</sup> occupancies. Amphibole Na<sup>M4</sup> and Fe<sup>3+</sup> occupancies can also affect significantly the accuracy of  
33 expression B.

34 In this work, we present *three new accurate calibrations* (expressions A1, A2 and B2) of the  
35 *amphibole-plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange thermometer* calculated by robust regression methods  
36 based on multiple maximum-likelihood estimators (MM-estimators; Yohai, 1987), considering various  
37 calibration and test data subsets to evaluate the robustness of the derived parameters in the  
38 thermodynamic models, and the accuracy and precision of the expressions. Non-ideality in plagioclase  
39 was corrected using the ternary feldspar solution model of Elkins and Grove (1990) in expressions A1  
40 and A2, whereas the simplified version of the Darken's Quadratic Formalism (DQF) approach of  
41 Holland and Powell (1992) was used in expression B2. The formulation of the multisite macroscopic  
42 solution model of Powell and Holland (1993) was used for deriving the mixing parameters of  
43 amphibole in the three calibrations. Expression B2 is strictly pressure-independent, while the two  
44 others show a negligible dependence on pressure for plagioclase with low orthoclase component (< 11  
45 mol%). The three calibrations yield an overall precision close to those reported for the tested

46 amphibole-based thermometers, but are significantly more accurate, *a requisite for an unambiguous*  
47 *interpretation of precision.*

48 The new expressions can be used in a wide range of igneous and high-grade metamorphic rocks  
49 that bear *subcalcic to calcic amphibole and oligoclase or more calcic plagioclase*. However, they must  
50 be applied only to amphibole-plagioclase pairs whose compositions lie in the optimal region of use  
51 prescribed in the work.

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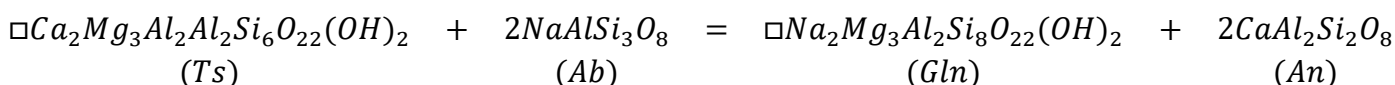
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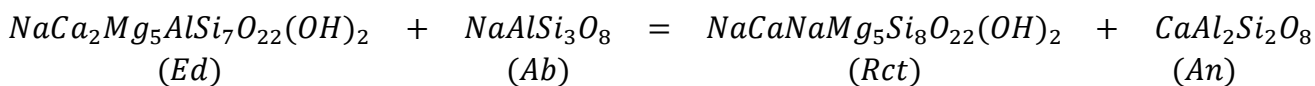
## Introduction

56  
57        Calcic amphibole is an important constituent of basic to acid metaluminous igneous rocks and  
58 their metamorphic derivatives (e.g., Robinson et al., 1982; Wones and Gilbert, 1982; Martin, 2007;  
59 Schumacher, 2007). Many studies have been devoted to determine its P-T-X relationships in both  
60 synthetic and natural assemblages (e.g., Czamanske and Wones, 1973; Laird and Albee, 1981;  
61 Thompson et al., 1982; Apter and Liou, 1983; Poli, 1993; Spear, 1993; Molina and Poli, 1998, 2000;  
62 García-Casco et al., 2008; Molina et al., 2009; Bucher and Grapes, 2011; Castro, 2013; Werts et al.,  
63 2020). These studies have provided a basis for the calibration of numerous thermometers and  
64 barometers that make it possible to determine the P-T conditions of crystallization/re-equilibration of  
65 amphibole-bearing assemblages. Some widely used calibrations are based on *exchange equilibria*  
66 between amphibole and garnet (e.g., Graham and Powell, 1984; Dale et al., 2000; Ravna, 2000), and  
67 amphibole and plagioclase (Spear, 1980; Fershtater, 1990; Holland and Blundy, 1994; Molina et al.,  
68 2015), and on *net-transfer equilibria* involving amphibole-plagioclase-quartz (Spear, 1981; Blundy and  
69 Holland, 1990; Holland and Blundy, 1994; Bhadra and Bhattacharya, 2007), and amphibole-  
70 plagioclase-quartz-garnet (Kohn and Spear, 1989, 1990; Dale et al., 2000). The collection is completed  
71 with amphibole-melt and amphibole-only thermobarometers (e.g., Helz, 1979; Otten, 1984;  
72 Hammarstrom and Zen, 1986; Hollister et al., 1987; Johnson and Rutherford, 1989; Schmidt, 1992;  
73 Anderson and Smith, 1995; Ernst and Liu, 1998; Ridolfi et al., 2010; Ridolfi and Renzulli, 2012;  
74 Molina et al., 2015; Mutch et al., 2016; Putirka, 2016; Zhang et al., 2017) as well as expressions based  
75 on amphibole-saturations surfaces (Molina et al., 2015; Putirka, 2016) that provide valuable constraints  
76 on the P-T conditions of amphibole saturation in magmatic systems.

77        The NaSi–CaAl exchange equilibrium between calcic amphibole and plagioclase, which can be  
78 expressed in terms of either tschermakite and glaucophane (e.g., Spear, 1980), *RI*:



79 (mineral abbreviations after Whitney and Evans, 2010) or richterite and edenite (e.g., Holland and  
80 Blundy, 1994),  $R_2$ :



81 was calibrated as a thermometer by Spear (1980) and Holland and Blundy (1994). The expression of  
82 the latter authors has been extensively used to constrain temperature conditions during crystallization  
83 of hydrous magmas and during metamorphism of basic to acid rocks (e.g., see reviews in Anderson,  
84 1996, 2008). However, Blundy and Cashman (2008) noted that this expression has systematic errors  
85 that were attributed to an inappropriate correction of non-ideality in amphibole. This can cause  
86 difficulties in the determination of amphibole stability fields in a large diversity of rock types. The  
87 calibration of amphibole-only thermometers, such as those by Ridolfi and Renzulli (2012) and Putirka  
88 (2016), might overcome this problem in igneous rocks, but, as will be demonstrated, they also show  
89 significant inaccuracies.

90 It is worth recalling that *accuracy is a necessary condition for an unambiguous interpretation of*  
91 *precision*. This is illustrated in Figure 1a where temperatures estimated with the amphibole-plagioclase  
92 thermometer from Holland and Blundy (1994) for 41 experimental data compiled from the literature  
93 are plotted against the experimental temperature. For these data, the precision is close to  $\pm 50^\circ\text{C}$ ,  
94 indicated at 1s level, whereas the regression line of estimated versus experimental temperatures  
95 presents a slope of 0.69 and an intercept of  $244^\circ\text{C}$ , thus differing significantly from the one-to-one line  
96 that denotes a perfect accuracy. Figure 1a shows that data points lying along the +1s and -1s lines can  
97 exhibit a quite different exactitude (note pairs z1-z2 and z3-z4 in Fig. 1a) that depends on the  
98 differences between the experimental temperatures and that at the crossing point (ca.  $800^\circ\text{C}$ ; Fig. 1a),  
99 defined by the interception between the regression line and the one-to-one line (marked by a star in  
100 Fig. 1a). So, the points z1 ( $T(\text{exp}) > 800^\circ\text{C}$ ) and z3 ( $T(\text{exp}) < 800^\circ\text{C}$ ) that lie in the +1s line have a  
101 contrasting accuracy: the temperature estimate is perfect for the former, but shows a discrepancy of

102 +100°C for the latter; the opposite is observed for the corresponding points z2 and z4 located in the -1s  
103 line. Similar ambiguities arise when temperature residuals present a significant dependence on mineral  
104 composition as shown in Figure 1b where the regression line of temperature residuals for the indicated  
105 expression versus amphibole Mg occupancy presents a negative correlation. The crossing point is  
106 located at ca. 2.5 apfu Mg (normalization to 23O). Residuals are null for points z5 (Mg > 2.5 apfu) and  
107 z8 (Mg < 2.5 apfu) that lie respectively in the +1s and -1s lines, whereas the corresponding points z6  
108 and z7, located respectively in -1s and +1s lines, present absolute residuals of 100°C.

109 In this work, we calibrate new expressions of the *amphibole-plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange*  
110 *thermometer* using an experimental data set compiled from the literature with 203 amphibole-  
111 plagioclase compositional pairs. Calculations were performed by robust regression methods based on  
112 multiple maximum-likelihood estimators (MM estimators, Yohai, 1987), which have given successful  
113 results in the calibration of amphibole-melt and amphibole-plagioclase thermobarometers (Molina et  
114 al., 2015). Various calibration and test data subsets were considered to evaluate the robustness of the  
115 derived parameters in the thermodynamic models, and the accuracy and precision of the expressions.  
116 We also carry out a test of the performance of the amphibole-plagioclase thermometer of Holland and  
117 Blundy (1994 — expression B), and the calibrations of the amphibole-only thermometer of Ridolfi and  
118 Renzulli (2012 — expression 2) and Putirka (2016 — expressions 5 and 6). The new thermometric  
119 calibrations have an overall precision similar to those of the tested expressions, but show a better  
120 accuracy, and hence are suitable for estimating temperature conditions in a wider range of amphibole  
121 compositions from igneous and high-grade metamorphic rocks.

## 122 **Thermodynamic formulation**

123 The thermodynamic basis of *exchange equilibria* — a term introduced in the geologic literature  
124 by Ramberg and De Vore (1951) — of atomic species between coexisting mineral phases is given by  
125 the equilibrium condition (e.g., Ganguly, 2008):

$$126 \quad \Delta H_r^o - T\Delta S_r^o + (P - P^o)\Delta V_r^o + RT\ln K = 0 \quad (1)$$

127 where  $\Delta H_r^o$ ,  $\Delta S_r^o$  and  $\Delta V_r^o$  are, respectively, the changes in enthalpy, entropy and volume of reaction at  
 128 standard state  $T^o$  and  $P^o$ ,  $R$  is the gas constant ( $8.3144 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ ), and  $K$  is the equilibrium constant.  
 129 It is important to note that the values of  $\Delta H_r^o$ ,  $\Delta S_r^o$  and  $\Delta V_r^o$  should be considered more as fitting  
 130 parameters than as thermodynamic values for the end-member components because they will absorb a  
 131 fair amount of the assumptions built into this thermodynamic analysis, such as the absence of heat  
 132 capacities, and coefficients of thermal expansion and compressibility to correct for departures of  
 133 enthalpy, entropy and volume from the standard state values.

134 The application of the equilibrium condition to the amphibole-plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange  
 135 reaction  $RI$  results in:

$$136 \quad \Delta H_r^o - T\Delta S_r^o + (P - P^o)\Delta V_r^o + RT\ln K^{id} + \Delta G_{amp}^{ex} + \Delta G_{pl}^{ex} = 0 \quad (2)$$

137 where  $K^{id}$  is the ideal equilibrium constant expressed as an ionic mixing-on-site solution model:

$$138 \quad K^{id} = \left( \frac{X_{Si}^{T1} X_{Na}^{M4} p_{an}}{4X_{Al}^{T1} X_{Ca}^{M4} p_{ab}} \right)^2 \quad (3)$$

139 (see Table 1 for the definition of site atomic fractions,  $X_j^s$ , and molar fractions of end-member  
 140 components,  $p_i$ ), and  $\Delta G_{amp}^{ex}$  and  $\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}$  are the excess Gibbs free energy of reaction for, respectively,  
 141 amphibole:

$$142 \quad \Delta G_{amp}^{ex} = RT\ln\gamma_{gln} - RT\ln\gamma_{ts} \quad (4)$$

143 and plagioclase:

$$144 \quad \Delta G_{pl}^{ex} = 2RT\ln\gamma_{an} - 2RT\ln\gamma_{ab} \quad (5)$$

145  $\Delta G_{amp}^{ex}$  has been formulated using the multisite macroscopic solution model of Powell and  
 146 Holland (1993) considering the distribution of species  $\square$ -K-Na-Ca-Mg-Fe<sup>2+</sup>-Fe<sup>3+</sup>-Al-Ti-Si over the  
 147 sites A, M4, M13, M2 and T1 (Table 2). The mixing properties of Cr<sup>3+</sup>, Mn<sup>2+</sup>, and the substitution of F<sup>-</sup>  
 148 and Cl<sup>-</sup> for OH on the O(3)-site were not considered because of their low occupancies in amphibole

149 from the experimental data set used in this work. Therefore, the derived expressions cannot be used for  
 150 Cl-rich and/or F-rich amphiboles (compositional ranges in the data set: F < 0.062 apfu, Cl < 0.006  
 151 apfu). Ti-rich pargasite and kaersutite, which can be significantly dehydrogenated, were also excluded  
 152 (Popp and Bryndzia, 1992).

153 The  $\Delta G_{amp}^{ex}$  is given from the following expression with 9 linearly independent interaction mixing  
 154 parameters (Table 3):

$$155 \quad \Delta G_{amp}^{ex} = W_0 + \sum_{i=1}^8 p_i W_i \quad (6)$$

156 where the  $W_i$  parameters are allowed to be pressure and temperature dependent:

$$157 \quad W_i = W_i^H - TW_i^S + PW_i^V \quad (7)$$

158 Introducing 6 and 7 in expression 2 we obtain after some algebraic manipulations:

$$159 \quad -(RT \ln K^{id} + \Delta G_{pl}^{ex}) = \Delta H_r^o + W_0^H - P^o \Delta V_r^o - T(\Delta S_r^o + W_0^S) + P(\Delta V_r^o + W_0^V) + \sum_{i=1}^8 \{p_i W_i^H - p_i T W_i^S + p_i P W_i^V\} \quad (8)$$

160 that can be expressed in a more compact way as:

$$161 \quad -(RT \ln K^{id} + \Delta G_{pl}^{ex}) = A - TB + PC + \sum_{i=1}^8 \{p_i W_i^H - p_i T W_i^S + p_i P W_i^V\} \quad (9)$$

162 where:  $A = \Delta H_r^o + W_0^H - P^o \Delta V_r^o$ ,  $B = \Delta S_r^o + W_0^S$  and  $C = \Delta V_r^o + W_0^V$ .

163 This expression was used for retrieving  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and amphibole mixing parameters with  $\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}$  fixed  
 164 using two different approaches (Table 4): 1) the ternary feldspar solution model of Elkins and Grove  
 165 (1990),  $\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}$  (EG90), and 2) the simplified version of the Darken's Quadratic Formalism (DQF) for  
 166 plagioclase of Holland and Powell (1992),  $\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}$  (HP92).

167 Once the reaction parameters and the amphibole mixing parameters had been retrieved, the  
 168 following thermometric expression was derived by solving for temperature in relation 9:

$$169 \quad T = \frac{-[\Delta G_{pl}^{ex} + A + PC + \sum_{i=1}^8 \{p_i W_i^H + p_i P W_i^V\}]}{R \ln K^{id} - B - \sum_{i=1}^8 p_i W_i^S} \quad (10)$$



170 that requires iterative calculations for temperature determinations because of the temperature  
171 dependence of the  $G_{pl}^{ex}$  term (see further comments below).

## 172 **Compositional data set**

173 We have created an amphibole-plagioclase compositional data set for this study with experiments  
174 compiled from LEPR (Hirschmann et al., 2008) and other published works (see Appendix A from the  
175 electronic supplementary material). To minimize problems related to the achievement of equilibrium,  
176 only experimental data with the following run durations were chosen: > 180 h at 600-650°C, > 150 h at  
177 650-700°C, > 100 h at 700-800°C, > 50 h at 800-900°C and > 20 h at 900-1000°C.

178 The Full Data Set (FDS) contains 203 compositional pairs that encompass a P-T range from 1 to  
179 15 kbar and from 640 to 1000°C (see also Table 1SB from Appendix B in the electronic supplementary  
180 material for a summary). The amphibole-plagioclase assemblages can also contain quartz (26% of the  
181 experiments), orthopyroxene (29%), clinopyroxene (25%), olivine (7.9%) and garnet (7.9%); 8.4% of  
182 the experiments are subsolidus (Appendix A).

## 183 **Mineral chemistry**

### 184 **Amphibole**

185 There have been proposed many amphibole normalization schemes for thermobarometric  
186 calculations (e.g., Anderson, 1996; Almeev et al., 2002; Ridolfi and Renzulli, 2012; Molina et al.,  
187 2015; Putirka, 2016; Li et al., 2019). In this work, amphibole formula was calculated on the basis of 23  
188 oxygen atoms with ferric/ferrous iron ratios calculated using a modified version of the average  $Fe^{3+}$   
189 method of Spear and Kimball (1984) proposed by Holland and Blundy (1994). The method, corrected  
190 for some minor mistakes detected in the previous formulation, is described in Appendix A from Dale et  
191 al. (2005);  $Fe^{3+}/Fe_T$  ratios estimated by this method present a reasonable agreement with wet chemical  
192 analyses from an extensive calcic amphibole data set compiled by Leake (1968) — see Fig. 14 in Dale  
193 et al. (2005). Amphibole OH contents were calculated assuming  $F + Cl + OH = 2$ .

194 The experimental data set comprises mostly magnesiohornblende (40% of the data),  
195 magnesiohastingsite (19%), pargasite (11%), and tschermakite (11%), and minor amounts of edenite,  
196 ferrohornblende, ferropargasite and ferrotschermakite, which represent, altogether, ca. 10% of the total  
197 (classification after Leake et al., 1997); in addition, there are also 9.4% of subcalcic amphibole.  
198 Amphibole compositions have 0.57-2.04 apfu Al<sup>IV</sup>, < 0.35 apfu Ti, 1.29-1.87 apfu Ca, 0.067-0.427  
199 apfu Na<sup>M4</sup>, 0.078-0.80 apfu A-site occupancy and Mg/(Mg+Fe<sup>2+</sup>) and Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sub>T</sub> ratios of 0.35–0.93 and  
200 0.04-0.70 respectively (Figs. 2a-d; Table 1SB).

### 201 **Plagioclase**

202 The composition of plagioclase in the experimental data set is mostly andesine (41%), labradorite  
203 (33%) and bytownite (20%), with minor amounts of oligoclase (6%) (Fig. 3a). The abundance of  
204 orthoclase component is < 11 mol% (Fig. 3b).

### 205 **Regression and outlier detection methods**

206 The reaction parameters and the amphibole mixing parameters were retrieved by robust  
207 regression methods based on multiple maximum-likelihood estimators (MM-estimators; Yohai, 1987)  
208 using the "mmregress" command, implemented in Stata software by Verardi and Croux (2009), setting  
209 efficiency at 0.7 and invoking the "initial" option. Selection of independent variables (i.e., the  
210 amphibole mixing parameters and the reaction parameters) was carried out using forward selection and  
211 backward elimination procedures; the variables were considered significant, and hence included in the  
212 model, when t-values of the estimated coefficients were >|3.7|, what assures  $P(>|t|) = 0$ .

213 Detection of vertical outliers and leverage points was carried out using a plot (Fig. 4) of robust  
214 standardized residuals versus Mahalanobis distance. Threshold values for considering data as outliers  
215 were set to -2.25 and +2.25 for the standardized residuals — these limits are the values of the standard  
216 normal distribution that differentiate the 2.5% remotest area of the distribution from the central mass

217 (Verardi and Croux, 2009) — and to  $\sqrt{\chi_{p,0.975}^2}$  (where  $p$  is the number of regression parameters) for the  
218 Mahalanobis distance (see Verardi and Croux, 2009).

219 The precision and accuracy of the derived thermometers were evaluated by fitting the  
220 relationships between calculated,  $\hat{T}_i$ , and experimental,  $T_i$ , temperatures using ordinary least squares  
221 (OLS) regression methods on the full data set, and the calibration and test data sets (see below for  
222 details). Absence of systematic errors was evaluated by checking whether the linear relation between  
223 these variables,  $\hat{T}_i = a + b T_i$ , is significantly indistinguishable from the one-to-one relation:  $\hat{T}_i = T_i$ .  
224 This was done by estimating the closeness of the slope to 1 and performing a t-test on the constant  
225 term.

226 The precision of the thermometric expressions for each data set was estimated using the root-  
227 mean-square errors (RMSE) obtained by OLS regression (e.g., see Putirka, 2008, and Molina et al.,  
228 2015). Besides, the precision given by the average absolute deviation (AAD; e.g., Blundy and  
229 Cashman, 2008) and the median absolute deviation (MAD) is also reported in Tables 2SB-6SB for  
230 comparison.

### 231 **Calibration of new expressions of the amphibole-plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange thermometer**

232 We derived thermodynamic models for expression 9 using a data set with the maximum number  
233 of observations (Calibration Data Set 1, CDS1, see Appendix C from the electronic supplementary  
234 material for details) that behaved well, i.e., without outliers in the models. The accuracy and precision  
235 of the thermometers derived from these models using expression 10 were tested on the CDS1 and FDS,  
236 which also includes the outlying data. On the other hand, it is customary to test thermobarometric  
237 expressions on an independent data set (e.g., see different approaches in Holland and Blundy, 1994,  
238 and Putirka, 2016) to assess how well the expressions perform for data not included in the calibration.  
239 Therefore, we split the data set in approximately two halves, Calibration Data Set 2 (CDS2) and Test  
240 Data Set 2 (TDS2), including in the former experimental data that were consistent with the models

241 found with CDS1 (Appendixes A and C). CDS2 was used for deriving extra models with the same  
242 fitting parameters as those obtained with CDS1, thus making it possible to evaluate the influence of the  
243 number of data on the retrieved values of the parameters. Accuracy and precision for the thermometric  
244 expressions derived from these extra models were evaluated with CDS2, TDS2 and FDS.

245 The reaction parameters and the amphibole mixing parameters obtained with MM-estimators are  
246 listed in Table 5. Models A1 and B1 were calculated using CDS1 (196 observations after removing 7  
247 vertical outliers and leverage points in the diagnostic plots; Fig. 4), whereas CDS2 (92 observations  
248 after removing 12 vertical outliers and leverage points in the diagnostic plots; Fig. 4) was used for  
249 models A2 and B2; it was employed  $\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(EG90)$  for A1 and A2, and  $\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(HP92)$  for B1 and B2.  
250 The models have significant values for the amphibole mixing parameters  $W_2^H$ ,  $W_5^H$ ,  $W_7^S$  and  $W_8^S$  (Table  
251 5). The reaction parameters  $A$  and  $B$  are also significant in the four models; however, the  $C$  parameter  
252 does not satisfy the selection criteria and was set to zero; this is in agreement with a null reaction  
253 volume estimated by Holland and Blundy (1994) for the equivalent reaction  $R2$ .

254 The expressions present absolute t-values higher than 4 for all the accepted parameters, but  $W_7^S$   
255 in model A1 that is close to 3.7 (Table 5); however, all of them are significant with  $P(>|t|) = 0$ . The  
256 scale parameters for models A1 and B1 are very close varying between 6348 and 6361 J, whereas those  
257 for models A2 and B2 are up to ca. 1900 J lower (range: 4475-4634 J). The parameters in the models  
258 obtained with a single data set show very close fitted values despite using different plagioclase mixing  
259 models. Besides, differences between the four models for  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $W_5^H$  parameters are within  
260 uncertainties indicating a negligible dependence on the used data set. However, the differences for the  
261 enthalpic  $W_2^H$  and entropic  $W_7^S$  and  $W_8^S$  parameters are slightly higher, reaching up to 12100 J, and 48  
262 and 26 J/K, respectively. The estimated values for the entropic  $B$  parameter are ca. 90-94 J/K, which  
263 are close, within uncertainties ( $\pm 11$ -20 J/K), to those reported by Spear (1980; range: 67-93 J/K), and  
264 by Holland and Blundy (1994) for the equivalent reaction  $R2$  (72 J/K). It is important to note that the

265 terms  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$ , aside from the fact that they include the  $W_0^H$ ,  $W_0^S$  and  $W_0^V$  parameters, could not be  
266 considered energy parameters representative of the end-member reaction because, as indicated by  
267 Holland and Blundy (1994), they also accommodate any deficiency and simplification of the models.

268 The thermometric expressions for the four models obtained by substituting the derived  
269 parameters in expression 10 are as follows (temperature in degrees Celsius):

$$270 \quad T_{A1} = -\frac{G_{pl}^{ex}(EG90) - 2.80 \cdot 10^4 p_2 + 7.31 \cdot 10^4 p_5 + 1.36 \cdot 10^5}{-101 p_7 - 72 p_8 - 90 + R \ln K^{id}} - 273 \quad (11a)$$

$$271 \quad T_{B1} = -\frac{G_{pl}^{ex}(HP92) - 3.02 \cdot 10^4 p_2 + 7.08 \cdot 10^4 p_5 + 1.40 \cdot 10^5}{-109 p_7 - 70 p_8 - 91 + R \ln K^{id}} - 273 \quad (11b)$$

$$272 \quad T_{A2} = -\frac{G_{pl}^{ex}(EG90) - 3.77 \cdot 10^4 p_2 + 6.96 \cdot 10^4 p_5 + 1.477 \cdot 10^5}{-132 p_7 - 96 p_8 - 94 + R \ln K^{id}} - 273 \quad (11c)$$

$$273 \quad T_{B2} = -\frac{G_{pl}^{ex}(HP92) - 4.01 \cdot 10^4 p_2 + 7.04 \cdot 10^4 p_5 + 1.48 \cdot 10^5}{-149 p_7 - 93 p_8 - 94 + R \ln K^{id}} - 273 \quad (11d)$$

274 The test of all the new amphibole-plagioclase thermometric expressions, but B1, carried out on  
275 CDS1, CDS2, TDS2 and FDS demonstrates a good performance with calculated versus experimental  
276 temperatures statistically indistinguishable from the one-to-one line (Figs. 5a-d; Table 2SB). The  
277 precision for expression A1 given by RMSE is  $\pm 50^\circ\text{C}$  for CDS1 and  $\pm 55^\circ\text{C}$  for FDS. Expressions A2  
278 and B2 yield a RMSE precision for CDS2 of  $\pm 35$ - $36^\circ\text{C}$ , being the uncertainty  $16^\circ\text{C}$  higher for the  
279 TDS2 and  $20^\circ\text{C}$  higher for the FDS.

280 The residuals for the four new expressions show no important dependence on mineral  
281 compositions (Figs. 1SB and 2SB in Appendix B), except for a slight positive correlation with  
282 amphibole  $\text{Na}^{\text{M4}}$  occupancy and anorthite content of plagioclase (Figs. 6 and 7). For this reason, more  
283 accurate temperature estimates for expressions A1, A2 and B2 are expected if  $\text{Na}^{\text{M4}} < 0.30$  apfu, with  
284 the additional restriction of  $p_{\text{an}} < 0.80$  for B2 — compositional limits obtained by fixing threshold  
285 values for the average residuals, as estimated by the regression lines of residuals versus mineral

286 compositions, of  $\pm 25\text{-}30^\circ\text{C}$  (i.e., ca. one half of the RMSE precision yielded by the expressions for the  
287 FDS).

288 Because of the absence of a significant reaction volume in the models proposed for *RI*,  
289 expressions B1 and B2 are pressure independent, whereas the expressions A1 and A2 could have some  
290 pressure dependence due to the non-null volumetric terms present in the mixing parameters  $W_{an\ or}$ ,  
291  $W_{ab\ or}$ ,  $W_{or\ ab}$  and  $W_{or\ ab\ an}$  from  $\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}$  (EG90), but it is expected to be very small as a consequence of  
292 the low orthoclase content of plagioclase that can be used in the calculations (see below for  
293 requirements of use of the amphibole-plagioclase thermometric expressions).

294 In order to estimate temperatures with the derived expressions, it is necessary to perform a  
295 tedious algebraic computation that involves iterative calculations because of the temperature  
296 dependence of the  $G_{pl}^{ex}$  term. To facilitate calculations, an Excel spreadsheet downloadable from the  
297 electronic supplementary material (Appendix D) has been programmed that calculates amphibole and  
298 plagioclase formulas from oxides, and determines temperatures with the new thermometric  
299 expressions. The Excel spreadsheet also estimates pressures with the barometer from Molina et al.  
300 (2015) based on the Al-Si partitioning between amphibole and plagioclase.

### 301 **Test of amphibole-based thermometers**

302 The precision and accuracy of the amphibole-plagioclase thermometer from Holland and Blundy  
303 (1994 — expression B) and the amphibole-only thermometers from Ridolfi and Renzulli (2012 —  
304 expression 2) and Putirka (2016 — expressions 5 and 6) are assessed in this section. In order to  
305 evaluate how the number of observations influences the behavior of the expressions we have performed  
306 the statistical test on data sets FDS, CDS2, and TDS2. For each data set, we selected only the subsets of  
307 data that satisfy the compositional restrictions of use of the calibrations (expression B:  $p_{an} = 0.10\text{-}0.90$ ,  
308  $\text{Na}^{M4} > 0.06$  apfu,  $\text{Al}^{VI} < 1.81$  apfu, and  $\text{Si} = 6.0\text{-}7.7$  apfu; expression 2:  $\text{Mg}/(\text{Mg}+\text{Fe}^{2+}) > 0.5$ ;  
309 expressions 5 and 6: no compositional restrictions). In addition, given that our main task is to determine

310 equilibrium temperatures in natural assemblages, i.e., temperature is the unknown, we are also  
311 interested in evaluating how the thermometric expressions extrapolate outside the temperature range of  
312 each calibration; therefore, for each data set we distinguished two subsets: one with the full temperature  
313 range (FTR; 640-1000°C) and the other with the calibration temperature range of each expression  
314 (CTR; expression B:  $T = 500-900^{\circ}\text{C}$ ; expression 2:  $T > 800^{\circ}\text{C}$ ; expressions 5 and 6:  $T > 700^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).

### 315 **Amphibole-plagioclase thermometer**

316 The calibration B from Holland and Blundy (1994) of the amphibole-plagioclase thermometer is  
317 based on the exchange equilibrium  $R2$ . It uses the DQF plagioclase solution model from Holland and  
318 Powell (1992) to account for non-ideal mixing in plagioclase, and the formulation of the multisite  
319 macroscopic solution model of Powell and Holland (1993) for retrieving the mixing parameters of  
320 amphibole. The proposed expression, which presents 6 parameters (one of them pressure-dependent),  
321 was calibrated using a data set with 250 amphibole-plagioclase pairs of which 92 are experimental and  
322 158 are natural; a precision of ca.  $\pm 40^{\circ}\text{C}$  was reported for this calibration.

323 The test carried out on all the subsets but the CTR subset from TDS2 reveals significant  
324 inaccuracies with regression lines of estimated versus experimental temperatures having slopes of 0.64-  
325 0.71 and intercepts at 226-268°C (Table 3SB); this leads to average temperature underestimations, as  
326 indicated by the regression lines of estimated versus experimental temperatures, of 40-60°C at 900°C  
327 and ca. 80°C at 1000°C (Fig. 8a). The precision given by RMSE for these data sets ranges between  
328  $\pm 51-67^{\circ}\text{C}$ . By contrast, the CTR subset from TDS2 yields more accurate temperature estimates with  
329 relations of estimated versus experimental temperatures closer to the one-to-one line (Fig. 8a; Table  
330 3SB); however, the precision is poor ( $\pm 72^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).

331 Blundy and Cashman (2008) noted that the residuals have an important negative correlation with  
332 the amphibole  $\text{Mg}/(\text{Mg}+\text{Fe}^{2+})$  ratio. Accordingly, the residuals for each data set show a systematic  
333 negative correlation with Mg occupancy (and positive with  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ , not shown) ranging average residuals,

334 as estimated by the regression lines of residuals versus mineral compositions, from -50 to -90°C for  
335 high-Mg compositions (Mg = 4 apfu; Fig. 9); at the other compositional end (Mg = 1.5 apfu),  
336 temperature discrepancies can be lower varying average residuals from 10 to 75°C. However, the test  
337 performed for this expression also evidences a significant dependence of residuals on amphibole  $\text{Na}^{\text{M4}}$   
338 and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  occupancies and plagioclase composition (Fig. 9). So, the residuals have an important  
339 negative correlation with  $\text{Na}^{\text{M4}}$  for the subsets of TDS2 and FDS, thus giving the latter average  
340 residuals ranging between -55 and -75°C for  $\text{Na}^{\text{M4}} = 0.4$  apfu; however, for the two CDS2 subsets, they  
341 show a negligible dependence, emphasizing the interplay of multiple factors on the reliability of the  
342 expression. In a similar way, the relationships of residuals versus  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  occupancy also suggest a  
343 relatively good behavior for the two CDS2 subsets and a systematic variation for the TDS2 subsets  
344 resulting in global average residuals given by the FDS subsets of up to ca. -50°C for low- $\text{Fe}^{3+}$   
345 amphibole ( $\text{Fe}^{3+} = 0.1$  apfu); for high- $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  amphibole, temperature discrepancies are, on average, less  
346 important. The residuals for the three CTR subsets show a positive correlation with anorthite content  
347 ranging average residuals from -25 to -60°C for oligoclase with  $p_{\text{an}} = 0.20$ , and from 20 to 30°C for  
348 bytownite with  $p_{\text{an}} = 0.85$ . However, the plagioclase composition dependence of residuals is negligible  
349 when considering the FTR subsets, clustering average residuals between -10 and -30°C.

### 350 **Amphibole-only thermometers**

351 The amphibole-only thermometers are based on empirical temperature-amphibole composition  
352 relationships. The expression 2 by Ridolfi and Renzulli (2012), which includes 8 amphibole  
353 compositional parameters, one pressure-dependent term and one constant term, was calibrated using 61  
354 experimental data and yielded a precision of  $\pm 25^\circ\text{C}$  (tested using only the calibration data set). The  
355 expression 5 by Putirka (2016), which is pressure-independent and has four amphibole compositional  
356 parameters and one constant term, was calibrated using 156 experimental data and yielded a precision  
357 ranging from  $\pm 30^\circ\text{C}$  (calibration data set) to  $\pm 53^\circ\text{C}$  (test data set with 392 experimental data). This



358 author also calibrated expression 6 with an additional pressure-dependent term that did not significantly  
359 improve the precision (a reduction in errors of only 1-2°C).

360 Expressions 2, 5 and 6 are widely used for estimating amphibole crystallization temperatures in  
361 igneous rocks, however the test done on the experimental data sets evidences a poor performance  
362 (Tables 4SB-6SB). Thus, they are more inaccurate than the expression B from Holland and Blundy  
363 (1994), showing slopes for regression lines of estimated versus experimental temperatures ranging  
364 between 0.33-0.53 in expression 2, 0.30-0.75 in expression 5 and 0.27-0.71 in expression 6; their  
365 intercepts are very much higher than those for expression B, with values ranging between 421-641°C in  
366 expression 2, 218-632°C in expression 5, and 250-656°C in expression 6. Accordingly, temperatures  
367 can be, on average, overestimated at 650°C by ca. 140-160°C with expression 2 and 80-180°C with  
368 expressions 5 and 6 (Figs. 8b-d). The precision given by RMSE ranges between ±33-51°C in  
369 expression 2, ±41-52°C in expression 5 and ±41-53°C in expression 6.

370 The residuals for the three expressions present a significant dependence on amphibole  $Al^{VI}$  and  
371 Mg (also  $Fe^{2+}$ , not shown) occupancies (Figs. 10a-c). Temperatures are significantly overestimated for  
372 high- $Al^{VI}$  amphibole, yielding the test on FTR subsets from CDS2 and FDS average residuals > 160°C  
373 for amphibole with > 1.2 apfu  $Al^{VI}$ . Temperatures tend to be also overestimated in low-Mg amphibole  
374 with average residuals > 100°C for expression 2 and > 70°C for expressions 5 and 6 in amphibole with  
375 < 2 apfu Mg from the indicated FTR subsets.

## 376 Discussion

### 377 **Shortcomings in the modeling of amphibole solid solutions: prerequisites for use of the** 378 **amphibole-plagioclase thermometric calibrations**

379 An accurate and precise determination of the mixing properties of multicomponent calcic  
380 amphibole is hampered, aside from short-range order (e.g., Hawthorne and Della Ventura, 2007) and  
381 phase transitions (e.g., Welch et al., 2007), by the complexity of long-range order that controls the

382 distribution of cations over sites (Oberti et al., 2007). These authors have shown that it is significantly  
383 more complex than the scheme adopted in this work (Table 2), and normally assumed in the  
384 thermodynamic treatment of amphibole solid solutions (e.g., Blundy and Holland, 1990; Mäder and  
385 Berman, 1992; Will and Powell, 1992; Holland and Blundy, 1994; Dale et al., 2000, 2005; Bhadra and  
386 Bhattacharya, 2007; Diener et al., 2007; Chambers and Kohn, 2012; Diener and Powel, 2012; Green et  
387 al., 2016). Accordingly, Oberti et al. (2007, and references therein) indicated that octahedral Al is  
388 partly disordered over M2 and M3 sites in pargasites and that Al occupancy in M3 site increases with  
389 Mg content, whereas tetrahedral Al is partly disordered over the T1 and T2 sites not only in subsilicic,  
390 ferri-ferrosadanagaites but also in magnesiohornblendes and pargasites. These authors also reported the  
391 presence of Ti and Fe<sup>3+</sup> in all the M1, M2, and M3 sites.

392 The distribution of Fe<sup>2+</sup> and Mg<sup>2+</sup> over M1, M2, M3 and M4 sites presents additional difficulties  
393 (Oberti et al., 2007). It is well understood in *cummingtonite–grunerite series* (e.g., Ganguly, 1982;  
394 Hirschman et al., 1994; Ghiorso et al., 1995) and *tremolite–ferro-actinolite series* (e.g., Evans and  
395 Yang, 1998; Driscall et al., 2005), thus leading to the calibration of accurate solutions models in the  
396 Ca-Mg-Fe<sup>2+</sup> amphibole quadrilateral (Ghiorso and Evans, 2002). However, it remains largely unknown  
397 in pargasitic and tschermakitic amphiboles (see Oberti et al., 2007, for further details).

398 It is important to note that long-range order affects not only the formulation of the ideal activity  
399 but also the number of independent amphibole phase components to be considered in the contribution  
400 of the excess Gibbs free energy. Therefore, without a precise understanding of the behavior of long-  
401 range order as a function of pressure, temperature and amphibole composition, the thermodynamic  
402 treatment of multicomponent amphibole solid solutions will be only approximated. Under these  
403 circumstances, we expect that the thermobarometric expressions derived from these simple solution  
404 models will work well for amphiboles whose compositions match as much as possible those of the

405 calibration data set. For this reason, it is essential to evaluate the critical parameters and their threshold  
406 values that delimit the optimal compositional region of application of the thermometric expressions.

407 For the amphibole-plagioclase thermometric expressions derived in this work, we found the  
408 following restrictions of use: 1) *amphibole composition*:  $\text{Na}^{\text{M4}} = 0.06\text{-}0.50$  apfu,  $\text{Ca} > 1.2$  apfu,  $\text{Ti} < 0.4$   
409 apfu,  $\text{K} < 0.25$  apfu, and  $p_9 < 0.34$  (tremolite phase component, see Table 1); 2) *plagioclase*  
410 *composition*:  $p_{\text{an}} > 0.18$  and  $p_{\text{or}} < 0.11$ ; and 3) *denominator values in expression 5, Den(Exp.)*:  $\text{Den}(\text{A1})$   
411  $= -182 - -122$ ,  $\text{Den}(\text{A2}) = -195 - -130$  and  $\text{Den}(\text{A2}) = -195 - -130$ . Besides, given the slight  
412 dependence of temperature residuals on anorthite content of plagioclase and amphibole  $\text{Na}^{\text{M4}}$   
413 occupancy, to guarantee more accurate results we recommend using them to amphibole with  $\text{Na}^{\text{M4}} <$   
414  $0.30$  apfu, limiting also the application of expression B2 to  $p_{\text{an}} < 0.80$ .

#### 415 **Applications of amphibole-plagioclase and amphibole-only thermometry to igneous and high-** 416 **grade metamorphic rocks**

417 The new calibrated thermometers (all expressions, but B1 that is less accurate) and the  
418 calibrations from Holland and Blundy (1994), Ridolfi and Renzulli (2012) and Putirka (2016) are  
419 applied to natural amphibole-plagioclase assemblages in this section to evaluate how the reported  
420 inaccuracies affect temperature estimations. The use of the amphibole-only thermometers was  
421 restricted to igneous rocks as they were calibrated for supersolidus assemblages, whereas the  
422 amphibole-plagioclase thermometers were applied to both igneous and high-grade metamorphic rocks.

423 For this purpose, we selected case studies from four *metamorphic complexes*: 1) amphibolites and  
424 mafic granulites from the Berit meta-ophiolite, SE Anatolia; 2) HP-Grt granulites from Kvalvåg,  
425 Kristiansund area, Norwegian Caledonides; 3) Opx-Cpx amphibolites and Cpx-poor amphibolites from  
426 the Connaughton Terrane, central Western Australia; and 4) amphibolites from the Archean  
427 Fiskenæsset complex, SW Greenland; and five *igneous associations*: 1) andesites from the catastrophic  
428 1956 eruption of the Bezmyannyi volcano, Kamchatka; 2) Hbl gabbros and diorite enclaves from the

429 Val Fredda Complex, Tertiary Adamello Massif; 3) gabbro-diorites, metadiorites and granodiorites  
430 from the Mesozoic Barcroft granodioritic pluton, central White Mountains; 4) cortlandtites from the  
431 appinite suite of the Variscan Avila batholith, Central Iberian Zone; and 5) Ol hornblendites from the  
432 sheeted sills at Onion Valley, Mesozoic Sierra Nevada batholith — see Tables 7SB and 8SB for data  
433 sources and a brief description of petrography and geological setting.

434 The composition of 62 selected amphibole-plagioclase pairs and temperature estimates calculated  
435 with the indicated thermometric expressions are reported in Appendix E from the electronic  
436 supplementary material. Calculations for expressions B, 2 and 6 were carried out at the pressure ranges  
437 indicated by the authors, and at fixed pressures of 1 and 15 kbar for expressions A1 and A2 as they  
438 show a negligible pressure dependence — indeed, temperature discrepancies are  $< 2^{\circ}\text{C}$  for all data but  
439 one with a value of  $8^{\circ}\text{C}$ , see Appendix E; expressions B2 and 5 are pressure independent. The average  
440 values of temperatures estimated at the indicated pressure ranges are used in the following discussion.  
441 Discrepancies between average temperature estimates obtained by the new calibrated thermometers and  
442 expressions B2, 2, 5 and 6 are displayed in Figures 11-13. An overall precision of  $\pm 50^{\circ}\text{C}$ , indicated at  
443 1s level, is assumed for all expressions.

444 Temperature discrepancies between the new calibrations and that from Holland and Blundy  
445 (1994) for both igneous and metamorphic assemblages are, in general, within the  $\pm 2\text{s}$  interval and show  
446 a negative correlation with the temperature estimated with the new calibrations and with amphibole Mg  
447 and  $\text{Na}^{\text{M4}}$  occupancies and a positive correlation with amphibole  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  occupancy (Figs. 11-12). These  
448 relationships are similar to those observed in the test performed on the experimental data sets, being  
449 therefore likely that the discrepancies are caused by the inaccuracies detected in the expression B from  
450 Holland and Blundy (1994). Likewise, temperature discrepancies between the new calibrations and  
451 those by Ridolfi and Renzulli (2012) and Putirka (2016), which can be higher reaching  $> +2\text{s}$  in ca. 20  
452 % of the data (Fig. 13), can also be attributed to the inaccuracies reported in the amphibole-only

453 expressions as their relationships with amphibole composition are akin to those observed with the  
454 experimental data, thus overestimating temperatures in amphibole with either high Al<sup>VI</sup> or low Mg  
455 occupancies.

456 Therefore, we recommend using the new calibrations as their accuracy is significantly better  
457 within the prescribed compositional limits of use; amphibole-only thermometry should be only applied  
458 to high-Mg amphibole that might have more likely crystallized at high temperatures (e.g., amphibole  
459 primocrysts from hornblendites, gabbros, diorites, basalts and andesites).

### 460 **Implications**

461 In spite of the complexity of cation distributions over amphibole sites (Oberti et al., 2007), robust  
462 regression methods based on MM-estimators (Yohai, 1987) make it possible to calibrate, almost  
463 pressure independent, expressions for the amphibole-plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange thermometer  
464 using the formulation of the multisite macroscopic solution model of Powell and Holland (1993) to  
465 correct for ideality deviations in the calcic amphibole solid solution. These expressions present an  
466 overall precision of ca.  $\pm 50^{\circ}\text{C}$  that is close to those reported for the calibration B of the amphibole-  
467 plagioclase thermometer by Holland and Blundy (1994), and the calibrations 2 by Ridolfi and Renzulli  
468 (2012), and 5 and 6 by Putirka (2016) of the amphibole-only thermometer. However, the new  
469 expressions are significantly more accurate, *a condition required for an unambiguous interpretation of*  
470 *precision*, yielding better results than the calibration B for high-Mg amphibole, and the calibrations 2, 5  
471 and 6 for amphibole with either low Mg or high Al<sup>VI</sup> occupancies. Indeed, these latter only give  
472 accurate results in high-Mg amphibole that most likely crystallized at temperatures  $>800^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Amphibole  
473 Na<sup>M4</sup> and Fe<sup>3+</sup> occupancies can also affect significantly the accuracy of expression B.

474 The new calibrations can be used for calculating amphibole-plagioclase equilibrium temperatures  
475 for a large diversity of amphibole-plagioclase assemblages from igneous and high-grade metamorphic  
476 rocks that satisfy the following restrictions that delimit the optimal region of use: 1) *amphibole*

477 *composition*:  $\text{Na}^{\text{M4}} = 0.06\text{-}0.50$  apfu,  $\text{Ca} > 1.2$  apfu,  $\text{Ti} < 0.4$  apfu,  $\text{K} < 0.25$  apfu, and  $p_9 < 0.34$ ; 2)  
478 *plagioclase composition*:  $p_{\text{an}} > 0.18$  and  $p_{\text{or}} < 0.11$ ; and 3) *Den(Exp.) parameter*:  $\text{Den}(A1) = -182 - -$   
479  $122$ ,  $\text{Den}(A2) = -195 - -130$  and  $\text{Den}(A2) = -195 - -130$ . Besides, small orthoclase contents ( $p_{\text{or}} < 0.11$ )  
480 are required to guarantee a negligible pressure dependence of expressions A1 and A2, whereas more  
481 accurate results would be obtained with the three expressions if  $\text{Na}^{\text{M4}} < 0.30$  apfu, being required for  
482 B2 the additional restriction of  $p_{\text{an}} < 0.80$ .

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### Figure captions

701 **Fig. 1.** Importance of accuracy for a meaningful precision. A) Experimental temperatures versus  
702 temperatures calculated with the amphibole-plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange thermometer from  
703 Holland and Blundy (1994). Temperature estimates for a thermometer with a perfect accuracy cluster  
704 along the one-to-one line. B) Relationships of residuals versus amphibole Mg occupancy for the same  
705 thermometer. Data source: Conrad et al. (1988), Schmidt (1992), Moore and Carmichael (1998),  
706 Pichavant et al. (2002) and Pietranik et al. (2009). See text for discussion.

707 **Fig. 2.** Composition of amphibole coexisting with plagioclase from the experimental data sets. A) Al<sup>IV</sup>  
708 vs. Na<sup>A</sup> + K. B) Al<sup>IV</sup> vs. Na<sup>M4</sup>. C) Al<sup>IV</sup> vs. Ti. D) Al<sup>IV</sup> vs. Mg/(Mg+Fe<sup>2+</sup>). Abbreviations: CDS2,  
709 Calibration Data Set 2; TDS2, Test Data Set 2; OUT, outliers.

710 **Fig. 3.** Composition of plagioclase coexisting with amphibole from the experimental data sets. A)  
711 Histogram of anorthite content in plagioclase. B) Composition of plagioclase in the Ab-An-Or ternary.  
712 Abbreviations: CDS2, Calibration Data Set 2; TDS2, Test Data Set 2; OUT, outliers.

713 **Fig. 4.** Diagnostic plots of robust standardized residuals versus Mahalanobis distance for the  
714 expressions derived in this work using MM-estimators reported in Table 5. Thermodynamic models:  
715 A1, calculated with CDS1 using  $\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(EG90)$ ; A2, calculated with CDS2 using  $\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(EG90)$ ; B1,  
716 calculated with CDS1 using  $\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(HP92)$ ; B2, calculated with CDS2 using  $\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(HP92)$ .

717 **Fig. 5.** Experimental temperatures versus temperatures calculated with the new calibrations of the  
718 amphibole-plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange thermometer derived in this work. A) Expression A1. B)  
719 Expression B1. C) Expression A2. D) Expression B2. Abbreviations: CDS1, Calibration Data Set 1;  
720 CDS2, Calibration Data Set 2; TDS2, Test Data Set 2; FDS, Full Data Set; OUT, outliers.

721 **Fig. 6.** Relationships of residuals versus amphibole Na<sup>M4</sup> occupancy for the new amphibole-plagioclase  
722 NaSi–CaAl exchange thermometers. A) Expressions A1 and B1. B) Expressions A2 and B2.



723 Abbreviations: CDS1, Calibration Data Set 1; CDS2, Calibration Data Set 2; TDS2, Test Data Set 2;  
724 FDS, Full Data Set; OUT, outliers.

725 **Fig. 7.** Relationships of residuals versus anorthite content of plagioclase for the new amphibole-  
726 plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange thermometers. A) Expressions A1 and B1. B) Expressions A2 and  
727 B2. Abbreviations: CDS1, Calibration Data Set 1; CDS2, Calibration Data Set 2; TDS2, Test Data Set  
728 2; FDS, Full Data Set; OUT, outliers.

729 **Fig. 8.** Experimental temperatures versus temperatures calculated with amphibole-plagioclase and  
730 amphibole-only thermometers from the literature. A) Amphibole-plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange  
731 thermometer from Holland and Blundy (1994): expression B (Exp. B-H&B94). B) Amphibole-only  
732 thermometer from Ridolfi and Renzulli (2012): expression 2 (Exp. 2-RR12). C) Amphibole-only  
733 thermometer from Putirka (2016): expression 5 (Exp. 5-P16). D) Amphibole-only thermometer from  
734 Putirka (2016): expression 6 (Exp. 6-P16). Abbreviations: CDS2, Calibration Data Set 2; TDS2, Test  
735 Data Set 2; FDS, Full Data Set; OUT, outliers; CTR, Calibration Temperature Range; FTR, Full  
736 Temperature Range.

737 **Fig. 9.** Relationships of residuals versus amphibole and plagioclase compositions for the amphibole-  
738 plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange thermometer from Holland and Blundy (1994): expression B (Exp.  
739 B-H&B94). Abbreviations: CDS2, Calibration Data Set 2; TDS2, Test Data Set 2; FDS, Full Data Set;  
740 OUT, outliers; CTR, Calibration Temperature Range; FTR, Full Temperature Range.

741 **Fig. 10.** Relationships of residuals versus amphibole composition. A) Amphibole-only thermometer  
742 from Ridolfi and Renzulli (2012): expression 2 (Exp. 2-RR12). B) Amphibole-only thermometer from  
743 Putirka (2016): expression 5 (Exp. 5-P16). C) Amphibole-only thermometer from Putirka (2016):  
744 expression 6 (Exp. 6-P16). Abbreviations: CDS2, Calibration Data Set 2; TDS2, Test Data Set 2; FDS,  
745 Full Data Set; OUT, outliers; CTR, Calibration Temperature Range; FTR, Full Temperature Range.

746 **Fig. 11.** Application of the new calibrated expressions to amphibole-plagioclase pairs from igneous and  
747 high-grade metamorphic rocks. Estimated temperatures versus discrepancies between average  
748 temperature estimates obtained by the new amphibole-plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange thermometers  
749 and the calibration from Holland and Blundy (1994) (expression B, Exp. B-H&B94). A) Expression  
750 A1. B) Expression A2. C) Expression B2. Uncertainty bands reported at 1s ( $\pm 50^\circ\text{C}$ ) and 2s ( $\pm 100^\circ\text{C}$ )  
751 levels (see text for explanation).

752 **Fig. 12.** Application of the new calibrated expressions to amphibole-plagioclase pairs from igneous and  
753 high-grade metamorphic rocks. Amphibole composition versus discrepancies between average  
754 temperature estimates obtained by the new amphibole-plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange thermometers  
755 and the calibration from Holland and Blundy (1994) (expression B, Exp. B-H&B94). A) Expression  
756 A1. B) Expression A2. C) Expression B2. Uncertainty bands reported at 1s ( $\pm 50^\circ\text{C}$ ) and 2s ( $\pm 100^\circ\text{C}$ )  
757 levels (see text for explanation).

758 **Fig. 13.** Application of the new calibrated expressions to amphibole-plagioclase pairs from igneous  
759 rocks. Estimated temperatures and amphibole composition versus discrepancies between average  
760 temperature estimates obtained by the new amphibole-plagioclase NaSi–CaAl exchange thermometers  
761 and the amphibole-only thermometers from Ridolfi and Renzulli (2012) (expression 2, Exp. 2) and  
762 Putirka (2016) (expressions 5, Exp. 5, and 6, Exp. 6). A) Expression A1. B) Expression A2. C)  
763 Expression B2. Uncertainty bands reported at 1s ( $\pm 50^\circ\text{C}$ ) and 2s ( $\pm 100^\circ\text{C}$ ) levels (see text for  
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**Electronic supplementary material**

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## **TABLES**

**Table 1.** Cation fraction in sites and molar fraction of phase components

<i>Plagioclase</i>								
<i>Phases component</i>		<i>Molar fraction</i>						
<i>Albite</i>		$p_{ab} = Na/(Na + K + Ca)$						
<i>Anorthite</i>		$p_{an} = Ca/(Na + K + Ca)$						
<i>Orthoclase</i>		$p_{or} = K/(Na + K + Ca)$						
<i>Amphibole (cations normalized to 23O)</i>								
<i>Cation</i>	<i>Site</i>	<i>Atomic fraction</i>						
<i>Si</i>	<i>T1</i>	$X_{Si}^{T1} = (Si - 4)/4$						
<i>Al</i>	<i>T1</i>	$X_{Al}^{T1} = (8 - Si)/4$						
<i>Ti</i>	<i>M2</i>	$X_{Ti}^{M2} = Ti/2$						
<i>Al</i>	<i>M2</i>	$X_{Al}^{M2} = (Si + Al - 8)/2$						
<i>Cr</i>	<i>M2</i>	$X_{Cr}^{M2} = Cr/2$						
<i>Fe<sup>3+</sup></i>	<i>M2</i>	$X_{Fe^{3+}}^{M2} = Fe^{3+}/2$						
<i>Fe<sup>2+</sup></i>	<i>M2</i>	$X_{Fe^{2+}}^{M2} = r(10 - Si - Ti - Al - Cr - Fe^{3+})/2$ where $r = Fe^{2+}/(Fe^{2+} + Mg)$						
<i>Mg</i>	<i>M2</i>	$X_{Mg}^{M2} = (1 - r)(10 - Si - Ti - Al - Cr - Fe^{3+})/2$						
<i>Mg</i>	<i>M4</i>	$X_{Mg}^{M4} = (1 - r)(\Sigma - 13 - Ca - Mn - Na - K)/2$ where $\Sigma = Si + Ti + Al + Cr + Fe + Mn + Mg + Ca + Na + K$						
<i>Mn</i>	<i>M4</i>	$X_{Mn}^{M4} = Mn/2$						
<i>Na</i>	<i>M4</i>	$X_{Na}^{M4} = (Na + K + 15 - \Sigma)/2$						
<i>Na</i>	<i>A</i>	$X_{Na}^A = \Sigma - K - 15$						
<i>K</i>	<i>A</i>	$X_K^A = K$						
<i>Phase component</i>	<i>Order</i>	<i>T1</i>	<i>T2</i>	<i>M2</i>	<i>M13</i>	<i>M4</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>Molar fraction</i>
Glaucofane	1	$Si_4$	$Si_4$	$Al_2$	$Mg_3$	$Na_2$	$\square$	$p_1 = X_{Na}^{M4}$
Aluminotschermakite	2	$Si_2Al_2$	$Si_4$	$Al_2$	$Mg_3$	$Ca_2$	$\square$	$p_2 = X_{Al}^{M2} - (X_{Na}^{M4} + 0.5 X_{Na}^A + 0.5 X_K^A)$
Ti-tschermakite	3	$Al_4$	$Si_4$	$Ti_2$	$Mg_3$	$Ca_2$	$\square$	$p_3 = X_{Ti}^{M2}$
Ferritschermakite	4	$Si_2Al_2$	$Si_4$	$Fe_2^{3+}$	$Mg_3$	$Ca_2$	$\square$	$p_4 = X_{Fe^{3+}}^{M2}$
Pargasite	5	$Si_2Al_2$	$Si_4$	$AlMg$	$Mg_3$	$Ca_2$	$Na$	$p_5 = X_{Na}^A$
K-pargasite	6	$Si_2Al_2$	$Si_4$	$AlMg$	$Mg_3$	$Ca_2$	$K$	$p_6 = X_K^A$
Cummingtonite	7	$Si_4$	$Si_4$	$Mg_2$	$Mg_3$	$Mg_2$	$\square$	$p_7 = X_{Mg}^{M4}$
Ferro-actinolite	8	$Si_4$	$Si_4$	$Fe_2^{2+}$	$Fe_3^{2+}$	$Ca_2$	$\square$	$p_8 = X_{Fe^{2+}}^{M2}$
Tremolite	9	$Si_4$	$Si_4$	$Mg_2$	$Mg_3$	$Ca_2$	$\square$	$p_9 = 1 - (p_1 + p_2 + p_3 + p_4 + p_5 + p_6 + p_7 + p_8 + p_{10} + p_{11})$
Cr-tschermakite	10	$Si_2Al_2$	$Si_4$	$Cr_2^{3+}$	$Mg_3$	$Ca_2$	$\square$	$p_{10} = X_{Cr}^{M2}$
Manganocummingtonite	11	$Si_4$	$Si_4$	$Mg_2$	$Mg_3$	$Mn_2$	$\square$	$p_{11} = X_{Mn}^{M4}$

Abbreviations of amphibole end-member components: glaucofane (gln), aluminotschermakite (ts), Ti-tschermakite (tts), ferritschermakite (fts), pargasite (prg), K-pargasite (kprg), cummingtonite (cum), ferro-actinolite (fact), tremolite (tr), Cr-tschermakite (crt) and manganocummingtonite (mncum).

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**Table 2.** Amphibole site allocations

Site	Multiplicity	Cations
T1	4	Si <sup>4+</sup> , Al <sup>3+</sup>
T2	4	Si <sup>4+</sup>
M2	2	Ti <sup>4+</sup> , Al <sup>3+</sup> , Cr <sup>3+</sup> , Fe <sup>3+</sup> , Fe <sup>2+</sup> , Mg <sup>2+</sup> , Mn <sup>2+</sup>
M13	3	Fe <sup>2+</sup> , Mg <sup>2+</sup> , Mn <sup>2+</sup>
M4	2	Fe <sup>2+</sup> , Mg <sup>2+</sup> , Mn <sup>2+</sup> , Ca <sup>2+</sup> , Na <sup>+</sup>
A	1	Na <sup>+</sup> , K <sup>+</sup> , □

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**Table 3.** Amphibole mixing parameters for  $\Delta G_{amp}^{ex} = RT \ln \gamma_{gln} - RT \ln \gamma_{ts}$

<i>Parameter</i>	<i>Linear combination of interaction mixing parameters</i>
$W_0$	$W_{gln\ tr} - W_{ts\ tr}$
$W_1$	$W_{ts\ tr} - W_{gln\ tr} - W_{gln\ ts}$
$W_2$	$W_{ts\ tr} - W_{gln\ tr} + W_{gln\ ts}$
$W_3$	$W_{ts\ tr} - W_{gln\ tr} + W_{gln\ tts} - W_{ts\ tts}$
$W_4$	$W_{ts\ tr} - W_{gln\ tr} + W_{gln\ fts} - W_{ts\ fts}$
$W_5$	$W_{ts\ tr} - W_{gln\ tr} + W_{gln\ prg} - W_{ts\ prg}$
$W_6$	$W_{ts\ tr} - W_{gln\ tr} + W_{gln\ kprg} - W_{ts\ kprg}$
$W_7$	$W_{ts\ tr} - W_{gln\ tr} + W_{gln\ cum} - W_{ts\ cum}$
$W_8$	$W_{ts\ tr} - W_{gln\ tr} + W_{gln\ fact} - W_{ts\ fact}$

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**Table 4.** Excess Gibbs free energy of reaction for plagioclase

*Ternary feldspar solution model of Elkins and Grove (1990). Units: J, K and bar*

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(EG90) = & 2W_{anab}p_{ab}^2 - 2W_{aban}p_{an}^2 + \\ & 2(W_{anor} - W_{abor})p_{or}^2 + 4(W_{aban} - W_{anab})p_{an}p_{ab} + \\ & (3W_{oran} - W_{aban} - W_{abor} - W_{anab} - W_{anor} - W_{orab} - 2W_{orab an})p_{an}p_{or} + \\ & (W_{aban} + W_{abor} + W_{anab} + W_{anor} + W_{oran} - 3W_{orab} + 2W_{orab an})p_{or}p_{ab} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} W_{anab} &= 0 \\ W_{aban} &= 7924 \\ W_{oran} &= 40317 \\ W_{anor} &= 38974 - 0.1037P \\ W_{abor} &= 18810 - 10.3T + 0.4602P \\ W_{orab} &= 27320 - 10.3T + 0.3264P \\ W_{orab an} &= 12545 - 1.095P \end{aligned}$$

*DQF approach for plagioclase activity-composition relations of Holland and Powell (1992). Units: J and K*

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{I}\bar{1} \text{ structure } (p_{an} > X_b): \Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(HP92) &= 2W_{I\bar{1}}[(1 - p_{an})^2 - (1 - p_{ab})^2] + 2\Delta W X_b^2 \\ \bar{C}\bar{1} \text{ structure } (p_{an} < X_b): \Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(HP92) &= 2W_{C\bar{1}}[(1 - p_{an})^2 - (1 - p_{ab})^2] + 2\Delta W(1 - X_b)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$X_b = 0.12 + 0.00038T$$

$$W_{I\bar{1}} = 10000$$

$$W_{C\bar{1}} = 1000$$

$$\Delta W = W_{I\bar{1}} - W_{C\bar{1}}$$

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**Table 5.** Fitted thermodynamic parameters for reaction *RI* and for  $\Delta G_{amp}^{ex} = RT \ln \gamma_{gln} - RT \ln \gamma_{ts}$ . Modeled expression:  $-(RT \ln K^{id} + \Delta G_{pl}^{ex}) = A - TB + PC + \sum_{i=1}^8 \{p_i W_i^H - p_i T W_i^S + p_i P W_i^V\}$ . Parameters retrieved using MM-estimators. Units: J and J/K

<i>Expression</i>	<i>A1</i>	<i>B1</i>	<i>A2</i>	<i>B2</i>
<i>Plagioclase mixing model<sup>1</sup></i>	$\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(EG90)$	$\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(HP92)$	$\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(EG90)$	$\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(HP92)$
<i>Calibration data set<sup>2</sup></i>	<i>CDS1</i>	<i>CDS1</i>	<i>CDS2</i>	<i>CDS2</i>
<i>Observations</i>	196	196	92	92
<i>Scale parameter</i>	6361	6348	4475	4634
<i>Thermodynamic parameters<sup>3</sup></i>				
<i>A</i>	(1.36±0.20) 10 <sup>5</sup> t = 6.8	(1.40±0.20) 10 <sup>5</sup> t = 7.0	(1.477±0.079) 10 <sup>5</sup> t = 19	(1.48±0.12) 10 <sup>5</sup> t = 12
<i>B</i>	90±19 t = 4.7	91±20 t = 4.6	94±11 t = 8.5	94±16 t = 5.9
<i>C</i>	0	0	0	0
<i>W<sub>2</sub><sup>H</sup></i>	(-2.80±0.54) 10 <sup>4</sup> t = -5.2	(-3.02±0.50) 10 <sup>4</sup> t = -6.0	(-3.77±0.63) 10 <sup>4</sup> t = -6.0	(-4.01±0.87) 10 <sup>4</sup> t = -4.6
<i>W<sub>5</sub><sup>H</sup></i>	(7.31±0.77) 10 <sup>4</sup> t = 9.5	(7.08±0.77) 10 <sup>4</sup> t = 9.2	(6.96±1.01) 10 <sup>4</sup> t = 6.9	(7.04±1.11) 10 <sup>4</sup> t = 6.3
<i>W<sub>7</sub><sup>S</sup></i>	101±27 t = 3.7	109±26 t = 4.2	132±25 t = 5.3	149±36 t = 4.1
<i>W<sub>8</sub><sup>S</sup></i>	72±17 t = 4.2	70±15 t = 4.7	96±16 t = 6.0	93±12 t = 7.8

Notes: 1:  $\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(EG90)$ , ternary feldspar solution model of Elkins and Grove (1990);  $\Delta G_{pl}^{ex}(HP92)$ , DQF approach for plagioclase activity-composition relations of Holland and Powell (1992). 2: CDS1, Calibration Data Set 1, for expressions A1 and B1 (i.e., full data set excluding 7 outliers); CDS2, Calibration Data Set 2, for expressions A2 and B2. 3: All selected thermodynamic parameters with  $P(>|t|) = 0$ , i.e., they are statistically significant.

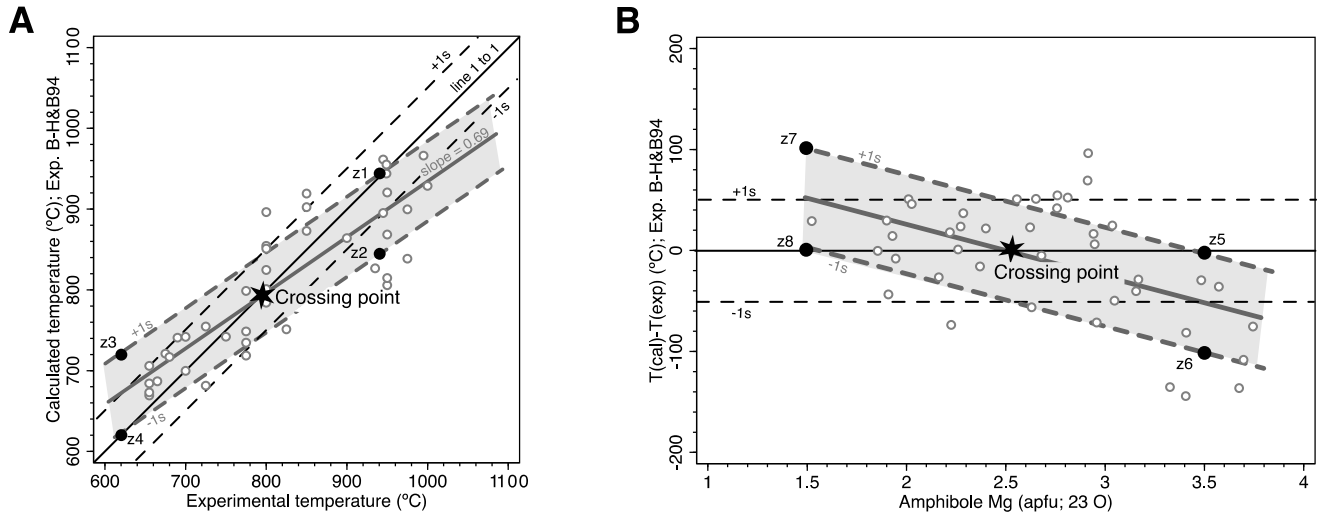
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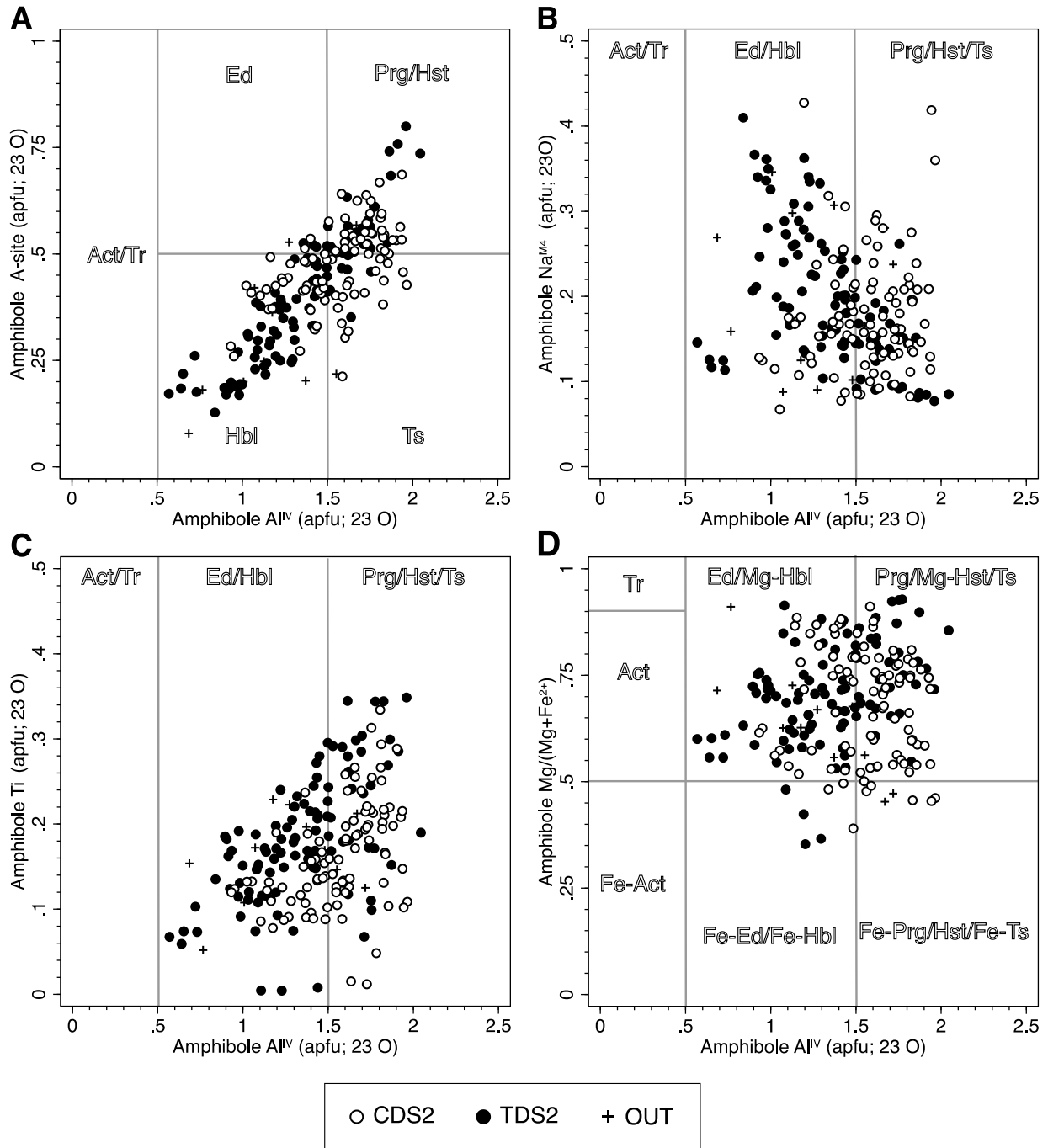
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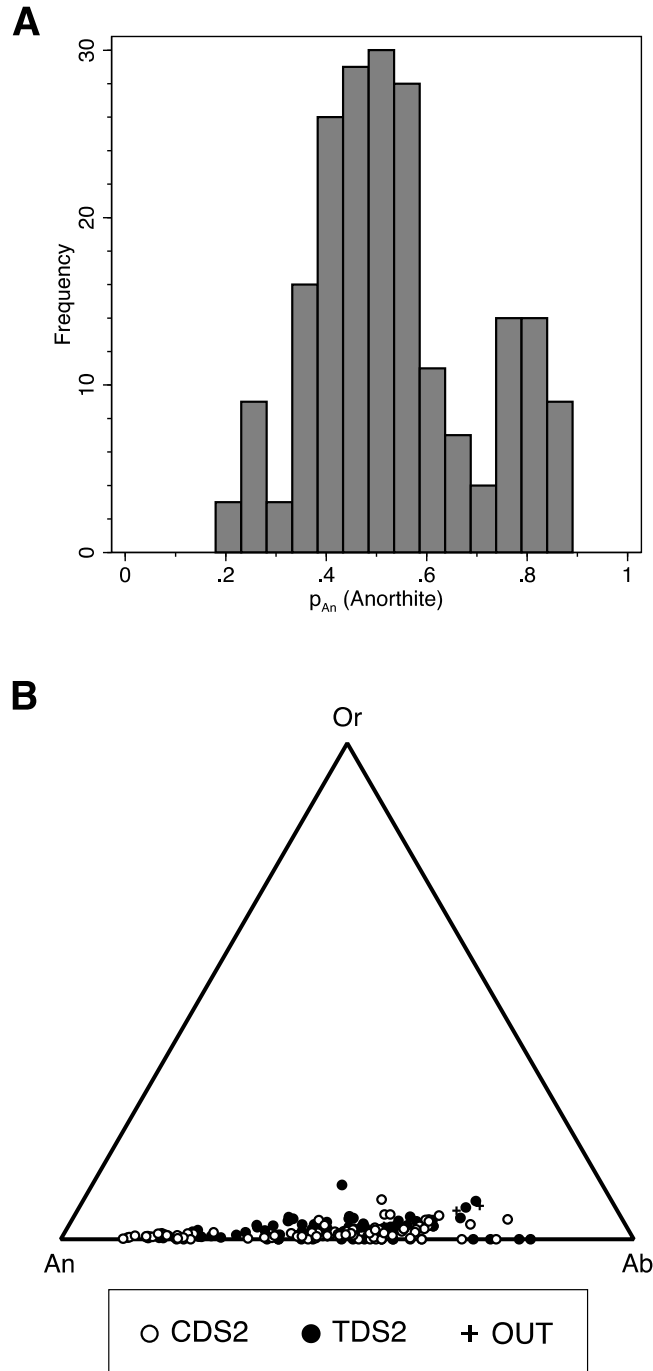
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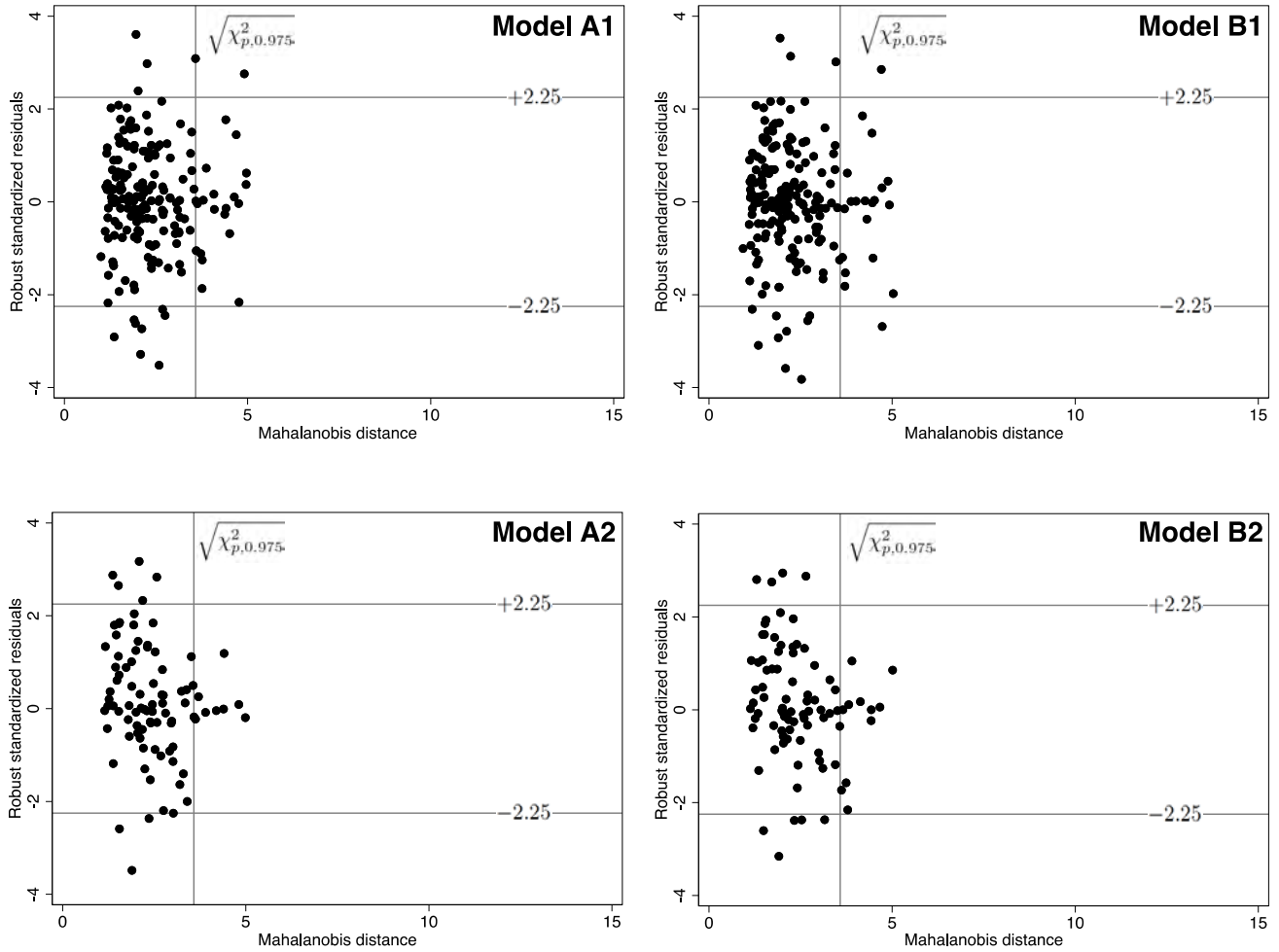


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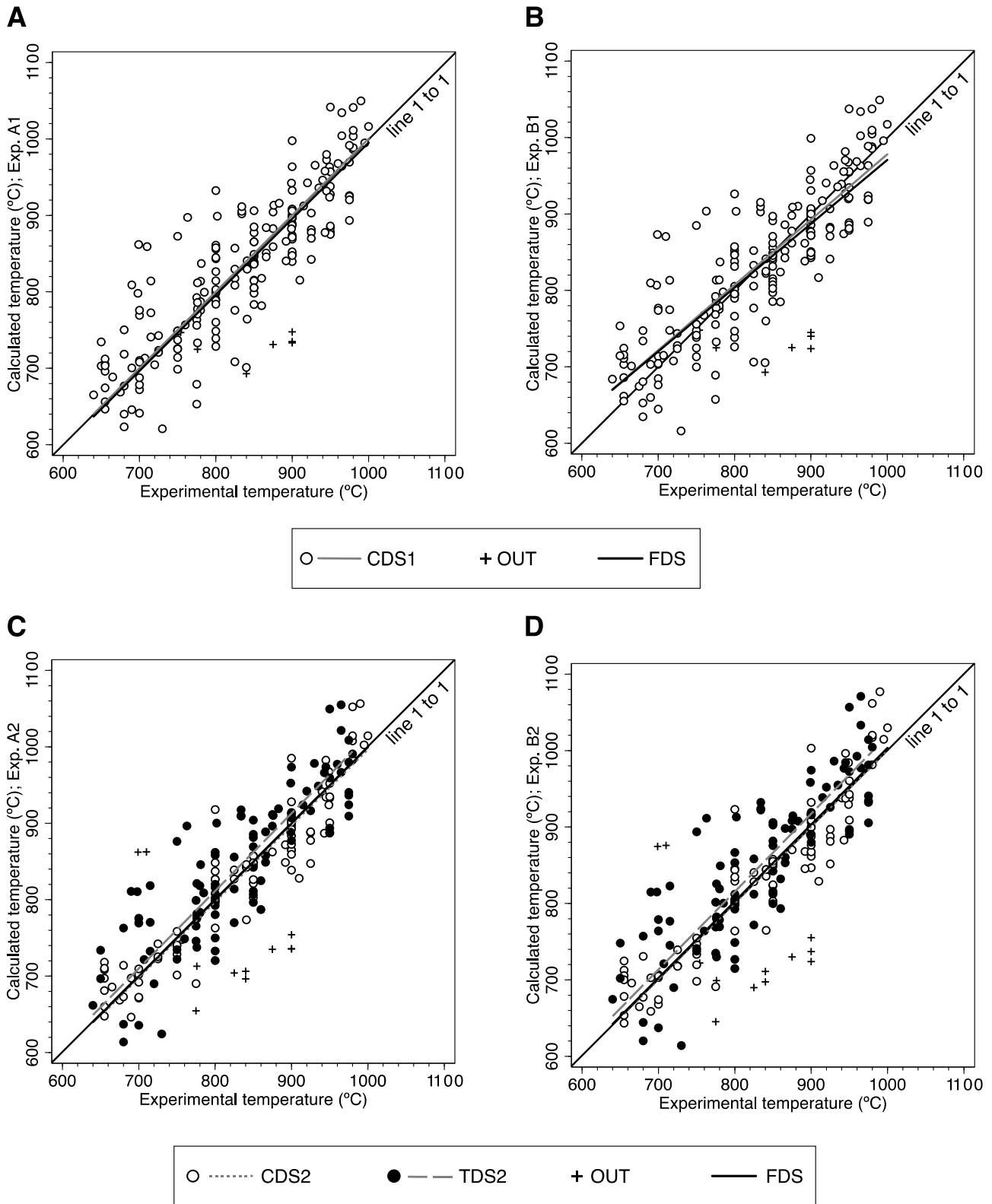


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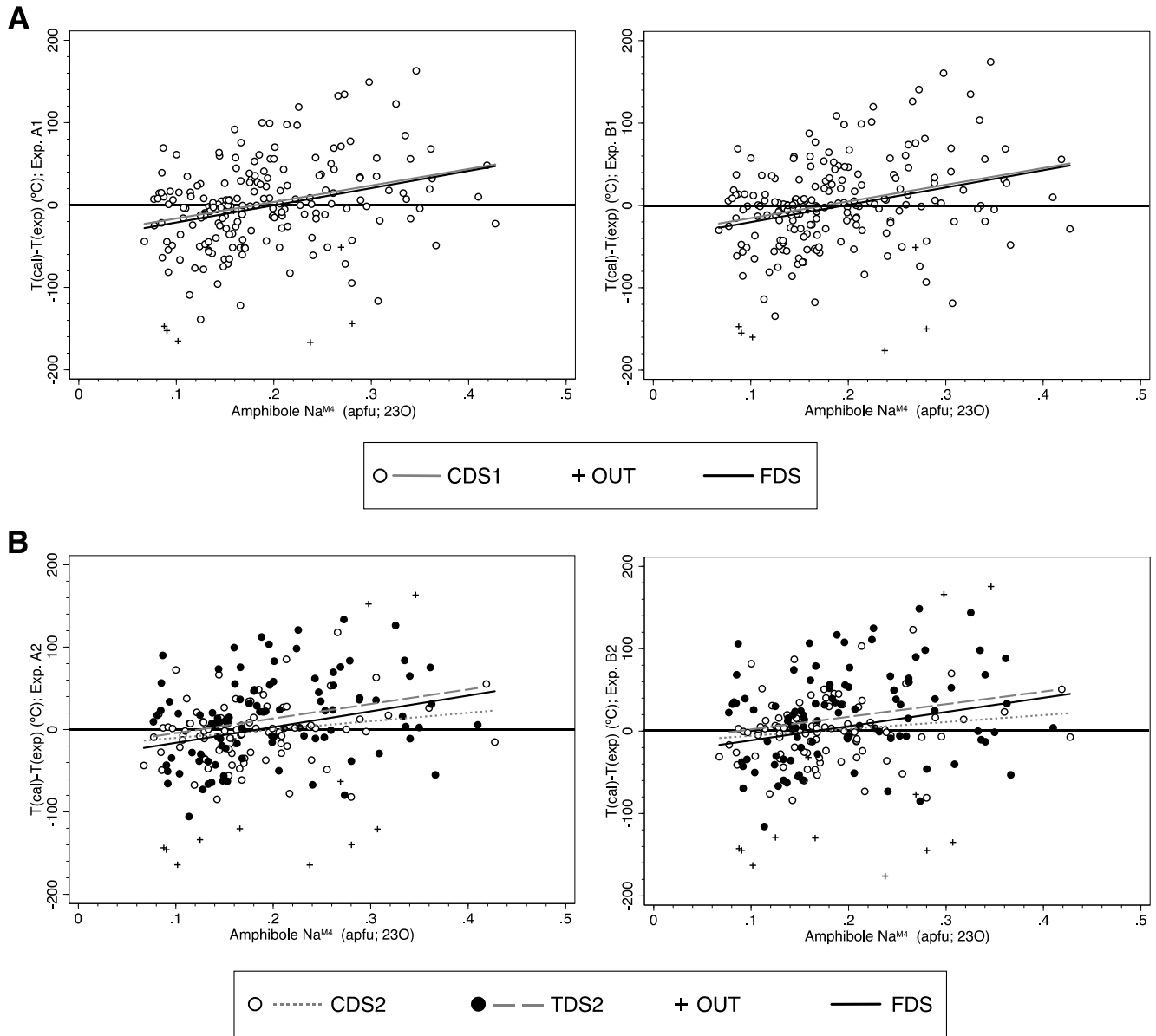
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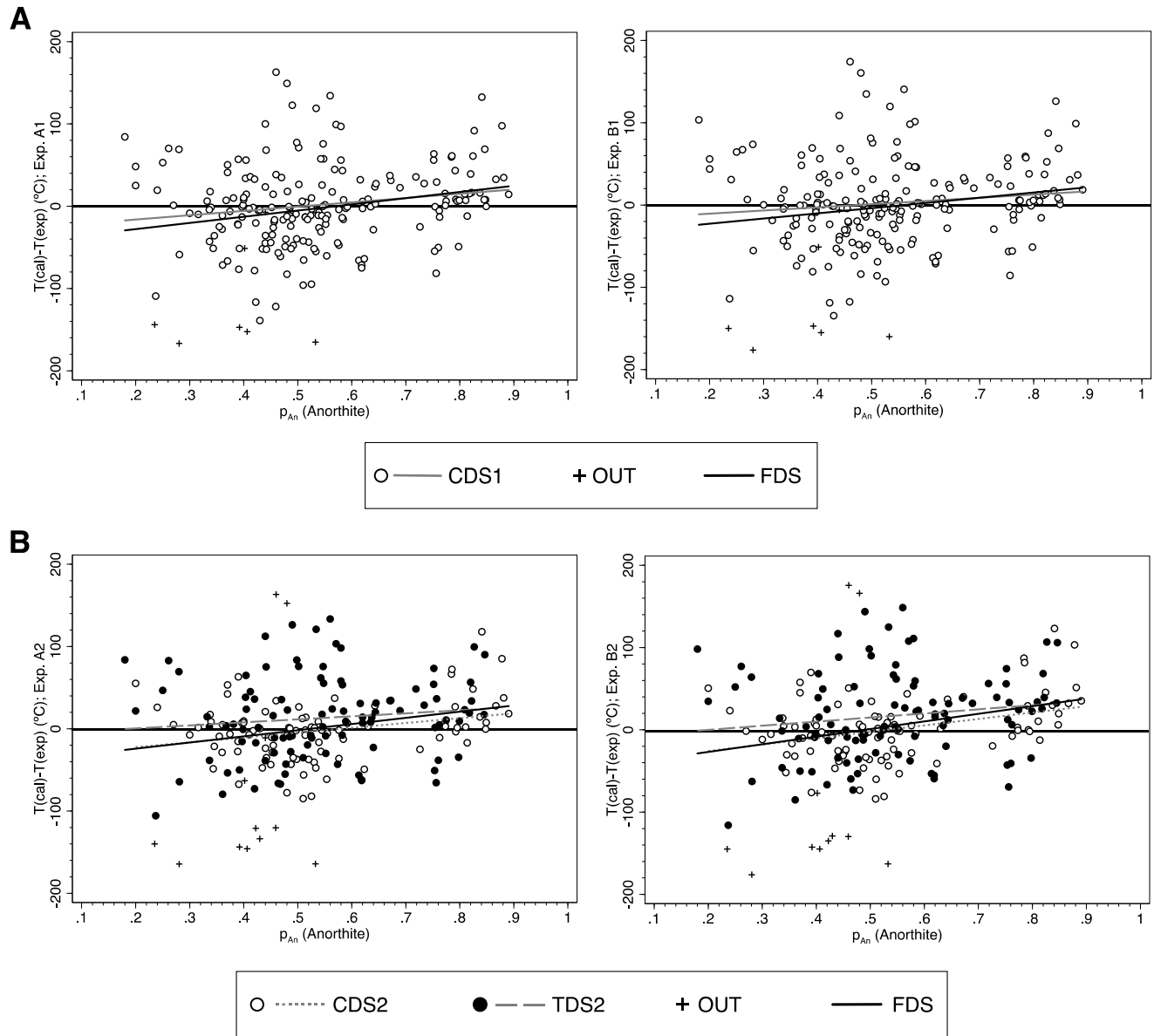
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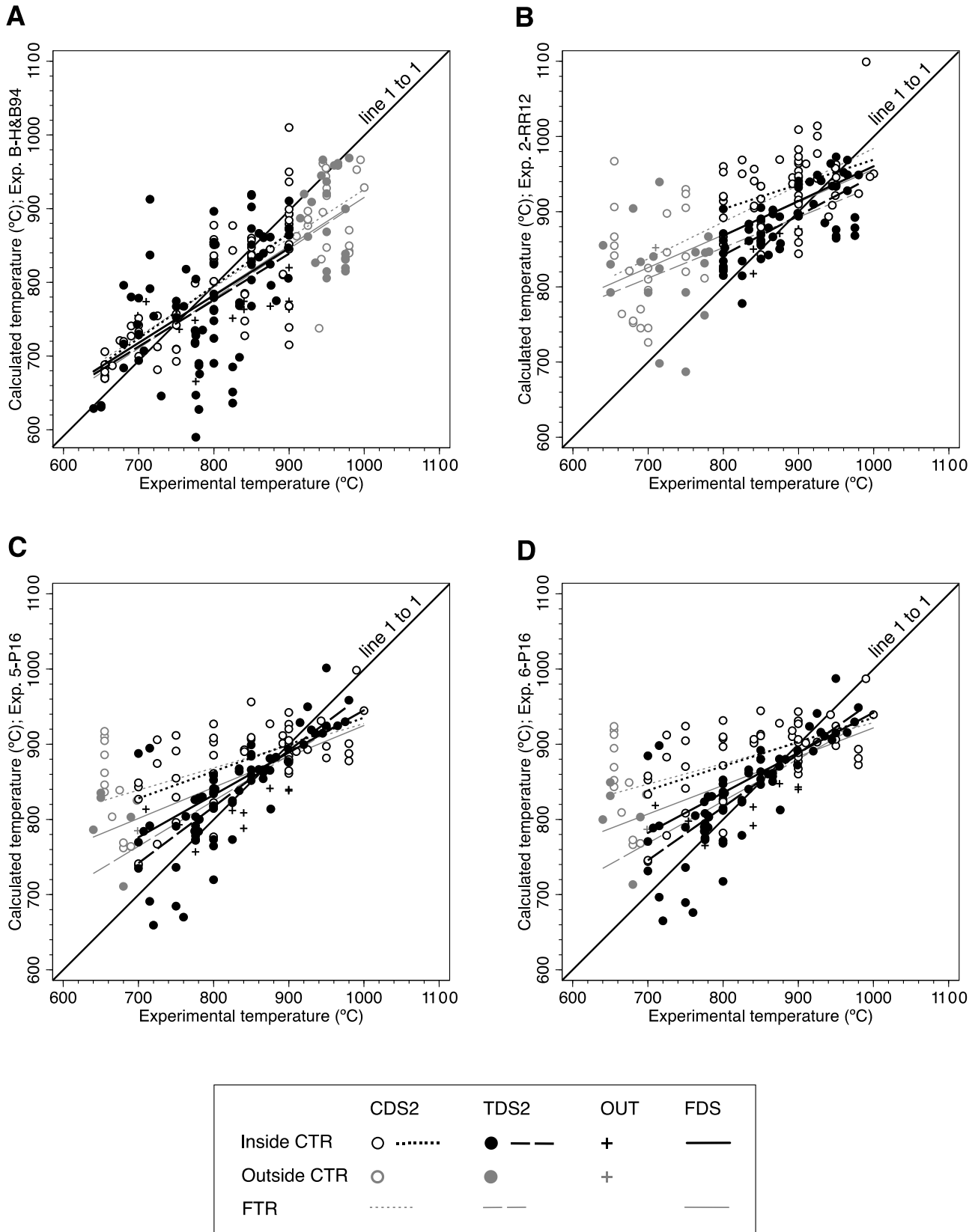
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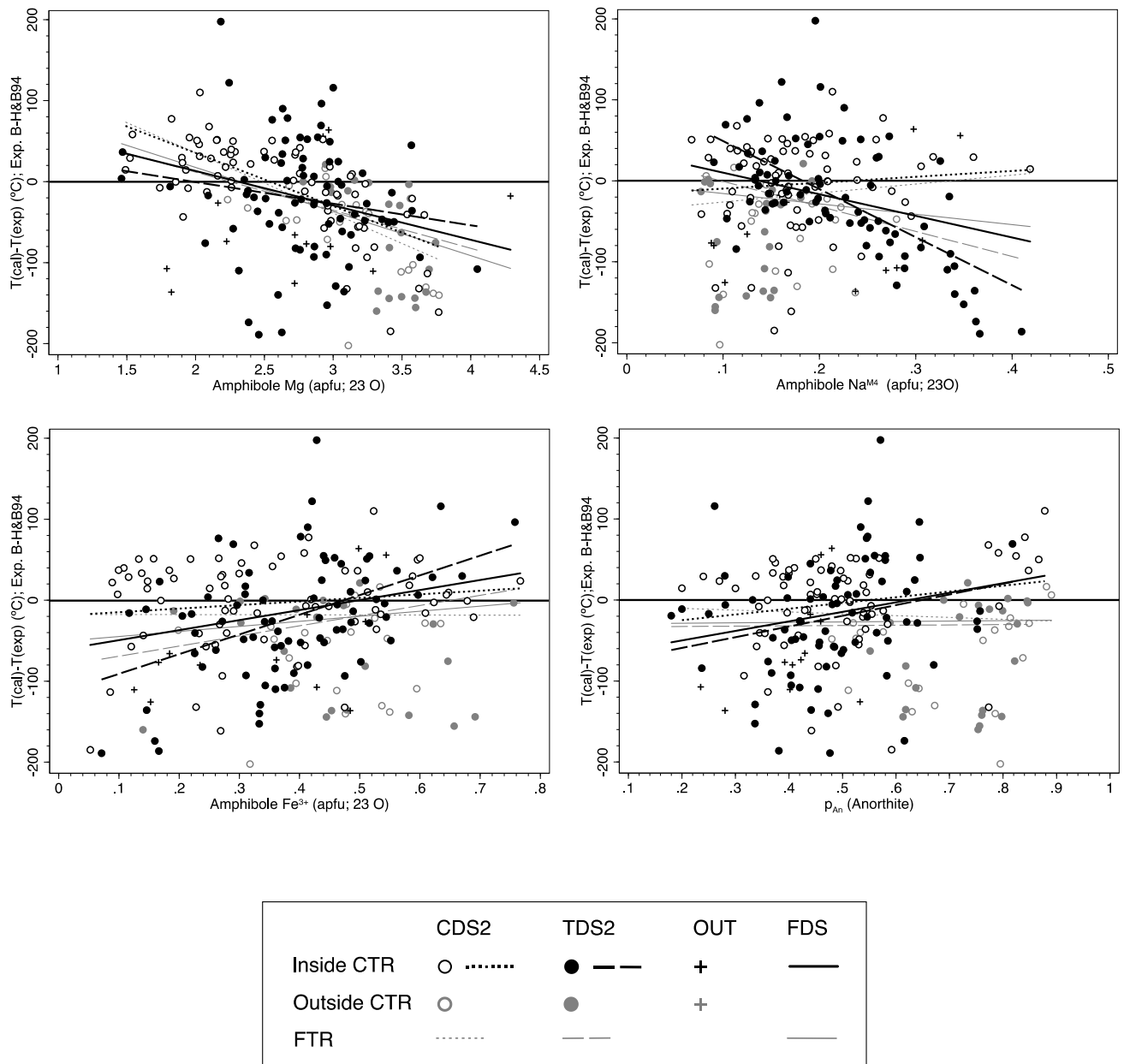


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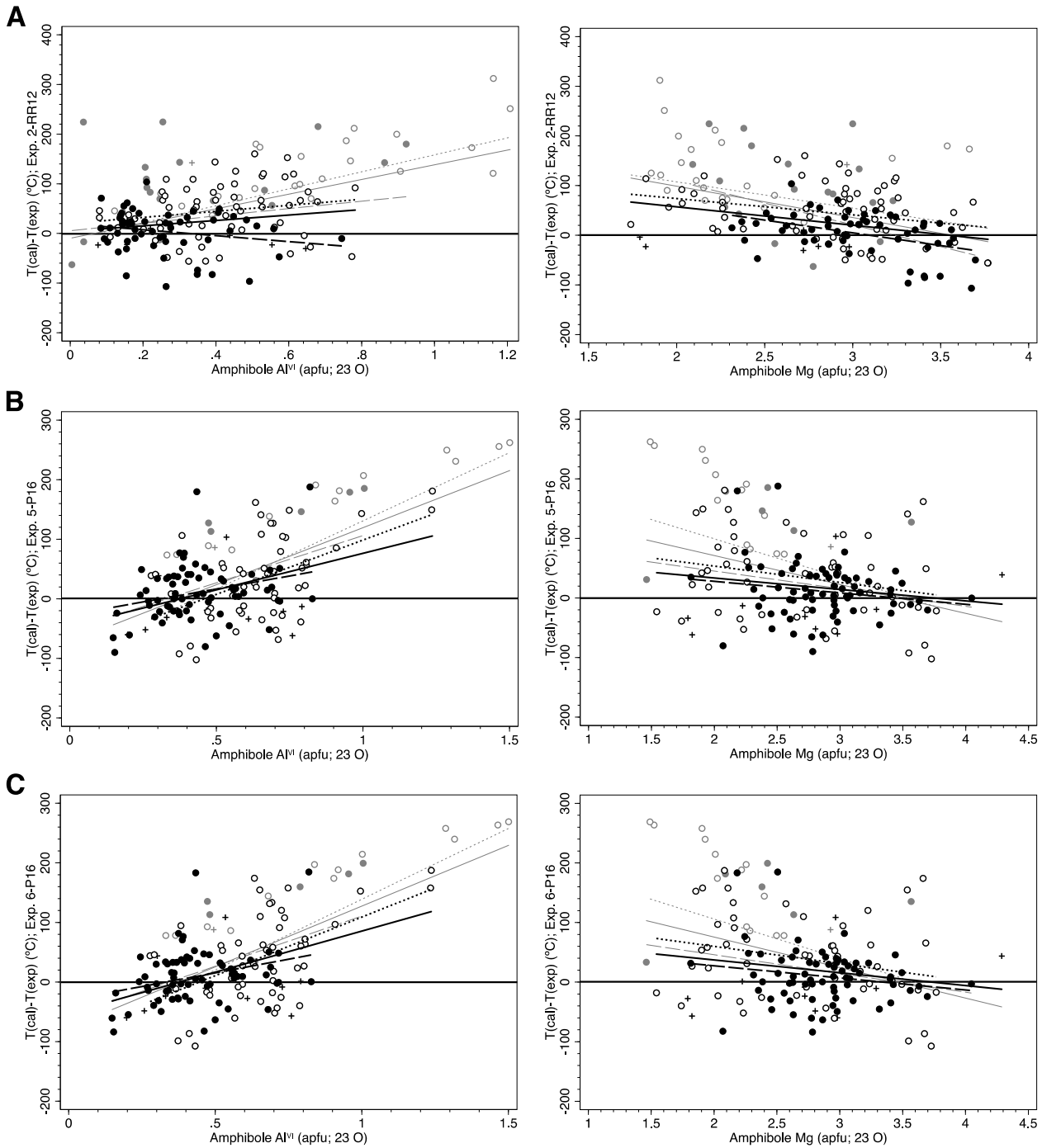
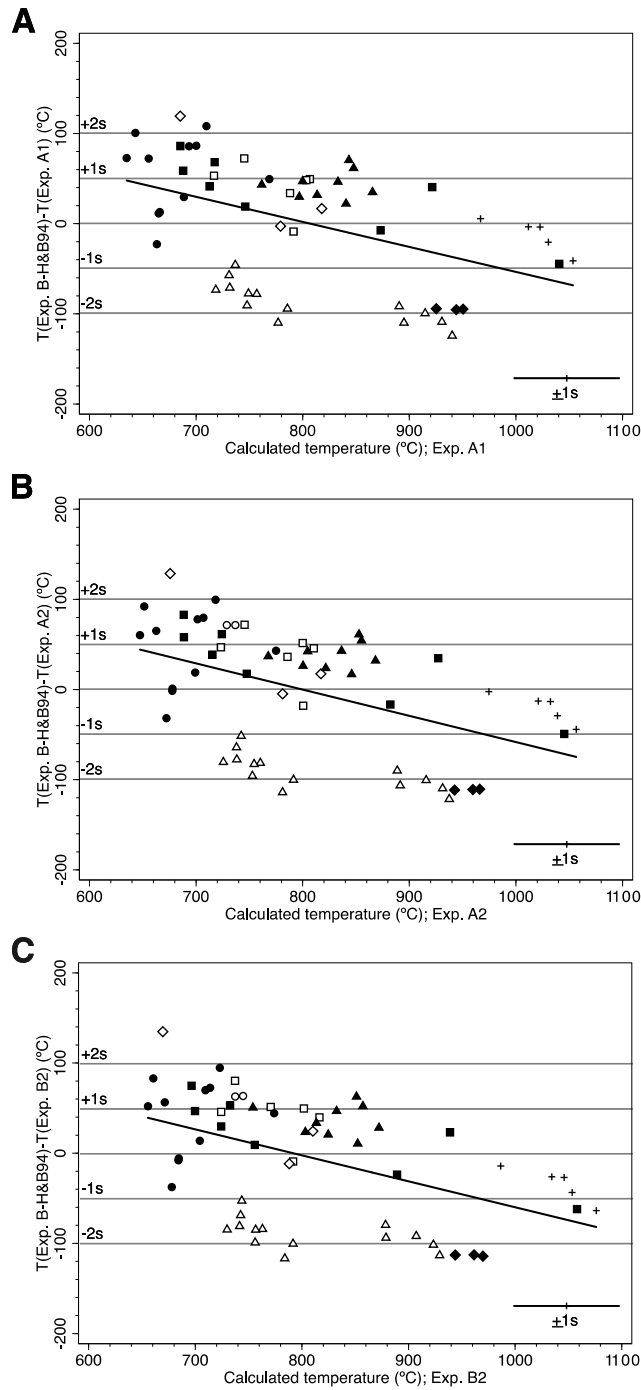


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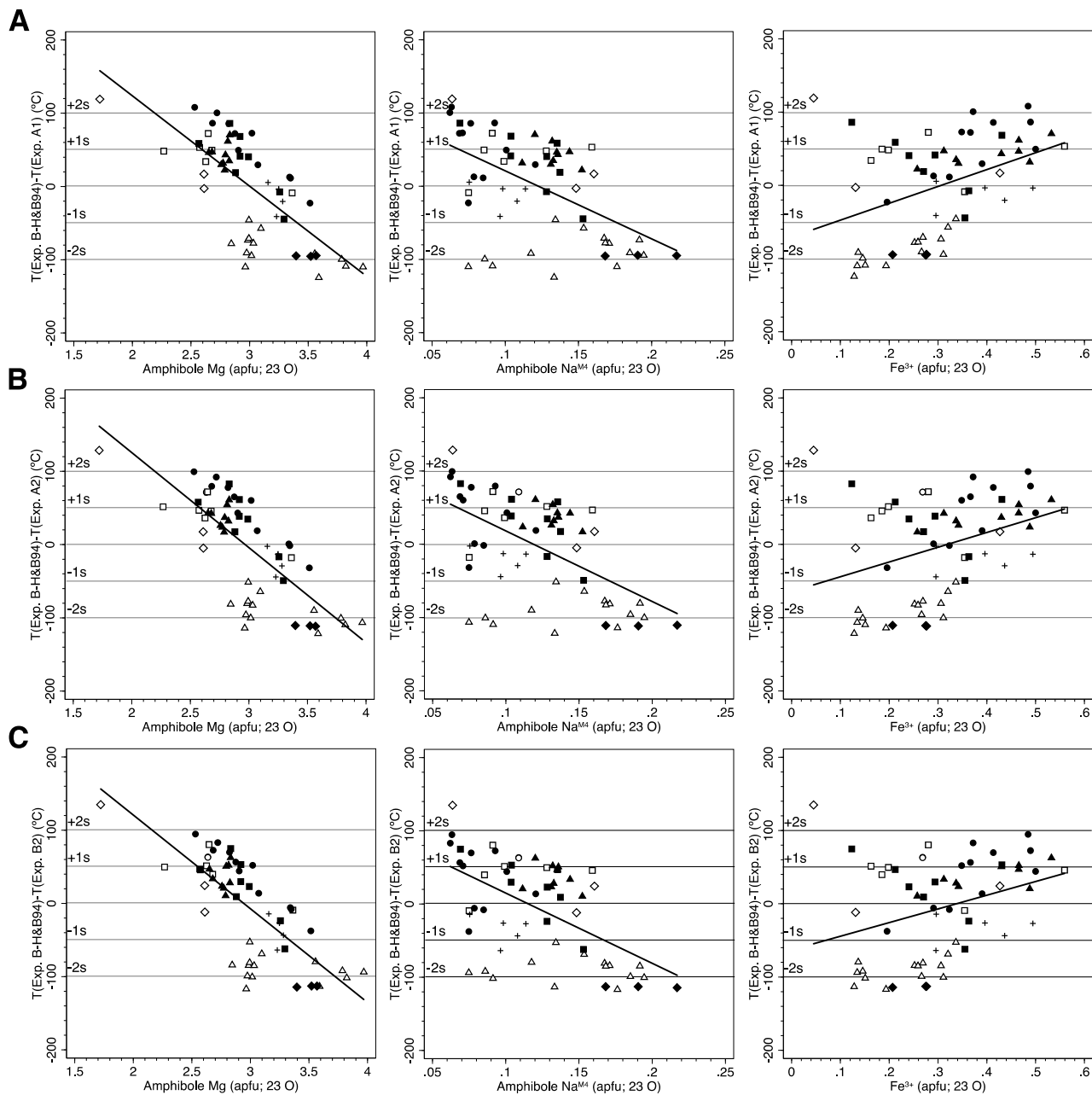


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