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3 **Measuring H₂O Concentrations in Olivine by Secondary Ion Mass**
4 **Spectrometry: Challenges and Paths Forward**

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Abstract

23 Trace concentrations of H₂O in olivine strongly affect diverse mantle and magmatic processes.
24 H₂O in olivine has been difficult to accurately quantify due to challenges in sample preparation
25 and measurement, as well as significant uncertainties in standard calibrations. Here we directly
26 compare secondary-ion mass spectrometry (SIMS) measurements of the olivine standards of Bell
27 et al. (2003, hereafter Bell03) and Withers et al. (2012, hereafter Withers12) upon which most
28 SIMS and Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy analyses are based. In the same SIMS
29 session, we find that the olivine standards from the two studies are offset by ~50%, forming lines
30 of different slope when comparing SIMS measurements to the independent nuclear reaction
31 analysis (NRA) in Bell03 and elastic recoil detection analysis (ERDA) in Withers12. This offset
32 is similar to the ~40% offset that exists in the FTIR absorption coefficients determined by those
33 two same studies, and points to the NRA-ERDA data as the cause for the offset more than
34 different IR absorption characteristics of the different olivines. We find that the Withers 12
35 olivine standards form the most precise calibration line, and that the measured Bell03 olivine
36 standards have issues of reproducibility and accuracy due to the presence of hydrous inclusions
37 (as documented previously by Mosenfelder et al., 2011). Owing to the limited availability of the
38 Withers12 olivine standards, however, we recommend using orthopyroxene standards
39 (Kumamoto et al., 2017) to calibrate H₂O in olivine by SIMS due to similar calibration slopes.
40 We revise the reference values of current orthopyroxene standards to account for uncertainties in
41 the Bell et al. (1995) manometry data. With these revised values, the orthopyroxene calibration
42 line is within 12% of the Withers12 olivine line, which is within the long-term uncertainty of the
43 SIMS olivine measurements. We apply our SIMS calibration protocol to revise estimates of the

44 partition coefficients for H₂O between olivine and melt, resulting in a value of 0.0009 +/- 0.0003
45 at pressures ~0.2 - 2 GPa. This brings into closer agreement the partition coefficients determined
46 from experimental studies with those based on natural studies of olivine-hosted melt inclusions.

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INTRODUCTION

49 The presence of hydrogen in nominally anhydrous minerals (NAMs) is known to
50 influence a wide range of mantle and magmatic processes (e.g., Bell and Rossman, 1992). The
51 solidus of mantle peridotite, for example, varies markedly as a function of the hydrogen
52 concentration in NAMs, which in turn governs the extent and pressure of mantle melting (e.g.,
53 Gaetani and Grove, 1998; Hirschmann et al., 1999; Sarafian et al., 2017). It should be noted that
54 hydrogen bonded to oxygen in mineral structures is often measured as H or OH and reported as
55 H₂O ppm (µg/g), with some studies colloquially using the term “water”. Here we use H₂O to
56 refer to the concentration of structurally bound H in a crystal, and where appropriate, H⁺ for
57 discussing the diffusing species. Olivine typically has only trace concentrations of H₂O (0-60
58 ppm), yet because it is the dominant upper-mantle mineral, it plays a prominent role in mantle
59 dynamics (Demouchy & Bolfan-Casanova, 2016). Rheological studies show, for example, that
60 olivine’s strength may be reduced by up to an order of magnitude with as little as tens of ppm of
61 H₂O (Faul et al. 2016), with profound effects on mantle viscosity and dynamics (Hirth and
62 Kohlstedt, 1996). The H₂O concentration in olivine is also predicted to be a determining factor
63 in the electrical conductivity of the mantle (Gardés et al., 2017), which is used for geophysical
64 modeling of mantle structure (e.g., Naif et al., 2013). Furthermore, the rates and dynamics of
65 magma ascent are often constrained by studying diffusion-induced concentration profiles of H₂O

66 in magmatic and mantle olivine. (Demouchy et al., 2006; Peslier and Luhr, 2006; Ferris et al.
67 2016; Newcombe et al. 2020).

68 Despite recent advances in the measurement and quantification of H₂O in olivine, there
69 remain a number of challenges. Some of these challenges arise from difficulties inherent to the
70 analytical techniques used, while others arise from disagreements and uncertainties on the
71 reference concentrations of calibration standards. In addition, as analytical methods have
72 evolved, earlier measurements cannot easily be compared with those performed according to
73 today's best practices. Many of these issues have been reviewed by Demouchy and Bolfan-
74 Casanova (2016). Additionally, Mosenfelder et al. (2011) provided a thorough review of
75 challenges specific to secondary ion mass spectrometry (SIMS) calibrations of H₂O
76 concentration in olivine.

77 Prompted by the known challenges in measuring the concentration of H₂O in olivine and
78 other NAMs, we collected a comprehensive SIMS dataset to directly address a number of the
79 vexing problems. Here we present these new data and compare them with previous findings to
80 advance approaches for quantifying H₂O concentrations in NAMs by SIMS. Specifically, we
81 directly compare the two most widely used sets of standard reference materials (hereafter
82 "standards") for measuring H₂O concentrations in olivine: those of Bell03 and Withers12. This is
83 critical, as these standards produce results that differ from one another by 37%. Based on our
84 new data and analyses, we demonstrate the difficulties in using the existing Bell03 olivine
85 standards and argue for an alternative calibration involving the publicly available orthopyroxene
86 standards (Kumamoto et al., 2017). In addition, we apply this calibration approach to resolve
87 discrepancies in published partition coefficients for H₂O in olivine and basaltic melts.

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CHALLENGES OF MEASURING H₂O IN OLIVINE

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The two most widely used methods for measuring H₂O concentrations in olivine and other

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NAMs are SIMS and Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy (FTIR). While each method can

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produce reliable results, each has unique challenges for the measurement of NAMs that we

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outline here.

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Pros and Cons of FTIR and SIMS measurements

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FTIR analysis of olivine involves the measurement of the absorbance of IR-radiation due

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to OH-bond stretching, which is then converted to concentration using molar absorptivity

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coefficients and the Beer-Lambert-Bouguer Law (Beer, 1852; Paterson, 1982). Compared to

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most other methods, FTIR has the lowest detection limit for quantifying H₂O concentrations in

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olivine for thick (> 1 mm) specimens. It is also non-destructive, inexpensive, producing rapid

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analyses and sample maps without challenging instrumentation calibration. It has the additional

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benefit of providing information on the bonding environment of the hydrogen in the olivine

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structure (e.g., Berry et al., 2005, 2007).

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There are several limitations to the measurement of H₂O concentrations in NAMs by

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FTIR, however, the first of which relates to sample size and preparation requirements. Infrared-

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absorbance is measured along an integrated path through the crystal and not at a limited near

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surface volume. Therefore, samples must be polished on two co-planar surfaces and placed

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within the IR beam for transmission measurements. Samples must be relatively thick (> 50µm)

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for measurements at low H₂O concentrations (<10 ppm). Second, the IR absorbance in olivine is

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anisotropic, so grains must be carefully oriented along their crystallographic axes, or measured in

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multiple grains from the same population in random orientation (e.g., Asimow et al., 2006).

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Third, IR-absorbances are challenging to determine from FTIR spectra. Each spectrum has a

111 baseline that must be subtracted in order to measure peak heights or areas. Identification of
112 baselines is subjective, and can vary between grains and along profiles measured across single
113 grains. Indeed, there is no accepted procedure for subtracting the baseline under OH peaks in
114 NAMs. Fourth, while a benefit of FTIR is that spectra provide information on the bonding
115 environment of hydrogen it can be difficult to deconvolve the various OH peaks in the spectrum,
116 thus the added information comes with additional complexity. For example, it is unclear if a
117 single molar absorptivity coefficient can be applied to different OH peaks as several studies have
118 argued for a wavenumber-dependence (Paterson, 1982; Libowitzky and Rossman, 1997; Balan et
119 al., 2011; Blanchard et al., 2016, Tollan et al., 2017; Jollands et al. 2021). Wavenumber-
120 dependence might not be apparent in the Bell03 and Withers12 studies, however, because both
121 studies measured samples with a similar distribution of peaks in the OH-stretching region of their
122 FTIR spectra.

123 SIMS analysis has the benefit of measuring an area at the surface, in contrast to the
124 integrated beam path of FTIR, which makes it possible to analyze grains too small to doubly
125 polish for FTIR. It also provides a direct measure of total H₂O concentration irrespective of
126 bonding site. Specifically, SIMS measures hydrogen ions directly (typically either ¹H or ¹⁶O¹H),
127 in contrast to FTIR which measures IR-absorbance due to OH-bond stretching. While it lacks
128 information on bonding sites, the SIMS signal has the benefit of being simpler to interpret
129 compared to FTIR, in view of the latter's spectral processing complexities. One major drawback
130 of SIMS is its extreme sensitivity to sample contamination. Samples must be rigorously cleaned
131 in several solvents to remove any surface organic, plastic or oil compounds, and baked in
132 vacuum ovens before mounting. For these reasons, the preferred mounting medium is indium
133 metal (Hauri et al., 2002; Koga et al., 2003) and not the more common and easily prepared epoxy

134 or resin. In addition, the SIMS instrument itself must be “baked” to remove contamination from
135 the vacuum chamber, because hydrogen released from these contaminants can lead to a changing
136 background signal. Changes in the ion beam or the charge-compensating electron beam can also
137 lead to variations in instrument sensitivity that must be quantified with drift standards. Finally,
138 instruments must be optimized to achieve detection limits on the order of < 10 ppm H_2O ,
139 necessary to produce precise measurements of H_2O in many natural NAMs, particularly olivine
140 that often has H-loss profiles that approach 0 ppm H_2O at the rims.

141 **Calibration of FTIR and SIMS measurements and associated complications**

142 Both SIMS and FTIR depend upon calibration to standards developed by independent
143 and more laborious methods. Two such methods, nuclear reaction analysis (NRA) and elastic
144 recoil detection analysis (ERDA), have provided absolute concentrations of hydrogen in a
145 sample without requiring matrix-matched standardization (e.g. NRA: Endisch et al., 1994;
146 ERDA: Bureau et al., 2009). In addition to calibrating to such independently validated standards,
147 SIMS analyses are often calibrated to standards measured by FTIR, using absorption coefficients
148 that have also been determined from NRA or ERDA data. Thus, the accuracy of FTIR molar
149 absorptivity coefficients for H_2O in NAMs plays a key role in the accuracy of many SIMS
150 calibrations for such samples.

151 For measuring H_2O concentrations in olivine, two widely cited studies produced
152 independent calibrations to determine the FTIR-absorbance coefficients. Bell⁰³ used NRA to
153 independently measure the H_2O concentrations in natural olivine samples; Withers¹² measured
154 synthetic olivine samples by ERDA. These studies, however, provide FTIR molar absorptivity
155 coefficients, for calculating H_2O concentrations from OH-peak absorbances, that differ by
156 $37\pm 5\%$. Partially because of the discrepancy between the Bell and Withers FTIR calibrations, the

157 petrological community has not settled on a common calibration approach for quantifying H₂O
158 concentrations in olivine. The Bell03 method, based on NRA, has two main advantages: the
159 standards include natural olivines with H₂O concentrations relevant for magmatic systems (16 –
160 220 ppm by weight), and NRA has low detection limits (10-20 ppm; Endisch et al., 1994) The
161 FTIR spectra of the Bell03 olivines are typical of most natural olivine (Demouchy and Bolfan-
162 Casanova, 2016). On the other hand, the Withers12 study measured seven synthetic Fo ~90
163 olivines, with concentrations between 300 and 2000 ppm, based on ERDA, which has higher
164 detection limits (50-100 ppm; Bureau et al., 2009). Typical natural olivines, however, rarely have
165 concentrations greater than ~50 ppm (Demouchy and Bolfan-Casanova, 2016) so it is unclear if
166 the H₂O-rich Withers12 olivines can be used to accurately calibrate natural ones. Nevertheless,
167 ERDA has some advantages over NRA. While both NRA and ERDA have sampling depths of 2
168 μm, the ERDA measurements of Withers12 had a significantly smaller beam footprint (4μm x
169 16μm) than typical NRA beam sizes (hundreds of μm to a few mm in diameter). The smaller
170 volume analyzed allows ERDA users to map the sample surface and thus identify sample
171 heterogeneity and avoid surface contamination.

172 Although the Bell03 olivines have been used extensively as SIMS standards, they are
173 known to be heterogeneous. Mosenfelder et al. (2011) found that the two samples with the
174 highest H₂O concentrations measured by Bell03, GRR1012 and KLV23, contain hydrous non-
175 olivine defects and fluid inclusions, and thus they recommended discontinuing use of KLV-23 as
176 a standard and continuing use of GRR1012 only with careful screening for heterogenous
177 measurements. This finding is consistent with Bell03 reporting IR-peaks (~3700 cm⁻¹) thought to
178 be indicative of hydrous non-olivine inclusions in these standards (Mosenfelder et al., 2011). It is
179 unknown how much the FTIR and NRA measurements are influenced by these hydrous

180 inclusions, but it is possible that they contribute to the higher IR-calibration coefficient reported
181 by Bell03. Because NRA, unlike ERDA, is unable to distinguish between olivine and hydrous
182 inclusions it calls into question the accuracy of the Bell03 measurements, particularly because
183 the Bell03 calibration coefficients produce higher concentrations than those of Withers12. While
184 the Withers12 standards have higher concentrations of H₂O than natural olivines, their
185 homogeneity, as measured by ERDA, FTIR and SIMS, make them inherently better standards for
186 calibration of SIMS analyses. Some recent studies advocate for either the Bell03 or Withers12
187 FTIR calibrations based on which they think is most suitable for their analysis, while others
188 simply cite concentrations determined with both (e.g. Padrón-Navarta et al., 2014, Ferriss et al.,
189 2018; Tollan et al., 2017; Jollands et al., 2019; Jollands et al., 2021). Here we mainly focus on
190 comparison of hydrogen concentration in the Bell and Withers samples as measured by SIMS so
191 as to avoid the complexities introduced by different OH point-defects that influence FTIR
192 calibration coefficients. FTIR is uniquely sensitive to the OH-bonding environment, and
193 therefore differences in the trace elements of the Bell03 and Withers12 standards could affect the
194 IR spectra in ways that are difficult to quantify. SIMS is much less sensitive to OH-bonding
195 environment and allows us to directly compare hydrogen concentrations determined by both
196 NRA and ERDA.

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198 **The Carnegie Sessions**

199 In June of 2017, olivine standards from Withers12 were analyzed using the Cameca
200 NanoSIMS 50L at the Carnegie Institution for Science. This analytical session is notable given
201 that all of the Withers12 standards were measured together with standards from both Bell03 and
202 Bell et al. (2004). This enables us to investigate whether the SIMS calibration based on

203 Withers12 ERDA data or one based on Bell03 NRA data, is more precise. In addition, during
204 June 2017 and August 2016, a large set of orthopyroxene and clinopyroxene standards reported
205 by Kumamoto et al. (2017) were measured by NanoSIMS together with the set of pyroxenes that
206 had been measured at Carnegie for over a decade (Koga et al., 2003; Aubaud et al., 2004; Wade
207 et al., 2008; Lloyd et al. 2016; Newcombe et al., 2020). We have also included a supplemental
208 compilation of NAMS and basaltic glass standards measured repeatedly on the Carnegie Cameca
209 6F SIMS from 2007 to 2019. Taken together, these analyses offer the opportunity for
210 intercomparison of one of the most extensive sets of NAMS standards measured by SIMS, thus
211 providing unique insights to guide further calibrations.

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METHODS

214 In preparation for analysis by SIMS, polished standard reference olivines and pyroxenes
215 were mounted in indium and placed under vacuum for several days. The Carnegie Cameca
216 NanoSIMS 50L is able to achieve extremely low blanks (1-2 ppm H₂O) due to extensive baking
217 procedures and using indium sample mounts, which do not out-gas under vacuum, rather than
218 epoxy. Analytical protocols are similar to those reported by Kumamoto et al. (2017) and
219 Newcombe et al. (2020). H₂O was measured as ¹⁶O¹H, along with ¹²C, ¹⁹F, ³¹P, ³⁵Cl and ³⁰Si.
220 The NanoSIMS was used in multicollection mode with each species assigned a detector. The
221 beam current was 10nA, the primary accelerating voltage of the Cs⁺ beam was 8kV and the
222 sample was held at -8kV, leading to an impact energy of 16 keV. A 20 x 20 μm raster was pre-
223 sputtered for two minutes to remove surface contamination, followed by a 10 x10 μm² raster
224 sputtered for seven minutes for data collection. Using electronic gating, secondary ions from
225 only the central 85% of the raster were collected, which occurred in five blocks of 10

226 integrations, generating average ion intensities (counts/s) and an estimate of precision (standard
227 errors). All secondary-ion counts measured were normalized to ^{30}Si to adjust for fluctuations in
228 the primary ion beam current.

229 In accordance with recommendations by Koga et al. (2003) and Mosenfelder et al. (2011),
230 calibrations were fit with weighted-orthogonal-distance-regressions (W-ODR), which is similar
231 in performance to the common York method (York, 1966, 1969; Wu et al., 2018). This
232 optimization method minimizes the distance between the x and y positions of the calibration line
233 and the data, and also accounts for each data point's uncertainty. We find weighted linear
234 regression an improvement over unweighted regressions because samples often have
235 uncertainties proportional to their concentrations and therefore inclusion of standards with higher
236 concentrations may bias unweighted calibration lines. Prediction interval uncertainties were
237 determined from the central 95% of a histogram composed of 5000 bootstrapped analyses and
238 recalculated W-ODR lines. Additionally, as discussed in detail below, we fit a y-intercept to our
239 calibration lines, which provides an assessment of the true blank (i.e., the $^{16}\text{OH}/^{30}\text{Si}$ signal at
240 zero ppm H_2O). As explained below, to further improve calibrations at low concentrations our
241 final calibration lines were fit including a near-blank standard (either SynFo100 or Suprasil
242 glass). This step better accounts for uncertainty in the calibration line at low concentrations. Prior
243 to fitting calibrations, $^{16}\text{OH}/^{30}\text{Si}$ measurements were multiplied by the known SiO_2 wt%
244 concentration of each standard to correct for differences in silica between phases.

245 FINDINGS

246 4.1. Calibration Evaluation

247 We first present and evaluate the SIMS measurements of the Withers12 olivine standards and the
248 calibration formed. This is followed by an examination of the Bell03 calibration for H_2O in

249 olivine, which is based on a number of natural olivines (Table 1) but ultimately relies on the
250 Bell03 olivine standards.

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252 **Withers et al. (2012) SIMS Olivine Calibration**

253 The olivine standards of Withers12 are shown in Figure 1a,b, where SiO₂-corrected
254 ¹⁶O¹H/³⁰Si ion ratios are plotted against published H₂O concentrations. To first order, the
255 Withers olivine measurements form a tightly constrained calibration line with minimal spread of
256 the error envelope on the regression (e.g., ~5 % at 1000 ppm; Fig. 1b). In detail, however, this
257 high precision only holds well for the elevated H₂O concentrations characteristic of the Withers
258 samples (283 – 2016 ppm). At lower concentrations (Fig. 1a), those most relevant to natural
259 olivines, the calibration is imprecise with a large error envelope on the regression (e.g., ~75 to
260 150 ppm at ~0.5 OH/Si*SiO₂).

261 Aside from greater uncertainty at low concentrations, the Withers olivine calibration line
262 also has a y-intercept of 64 +/- 24.5 ppm. In the format plotted in Figure 1, a calibration line
263 should produce a slightly negative y-intercept, which translates to a positive x-intercept,
264 indicative of the signal produced at a true blank of zero ppm H (i.e., some hydrogen will always
265 be detected despite the rigorous steps taken to minimize contamination). The orthopyroxene
266 standards and calibration line are also shown in Figure 1 to demonstrate a calibration that meets
267 this criterion; the near-blank standard (Suprasil 3002 SiO₂ glass with approximately 1 ppm H₂O
268 certified by its manufacturer Heraeus Conamic; Kumamoto et al., 2017; Heraeus, 2019; Heraeus,
269 2020) plots directly on the independently-determined orthopyroxene calibration line (which does
270 not include Suprasil in its regression). We interpret the high y-intercept of the calibration line for
271 the Withers12 olivine standards as systematic error in their published ERDA values. This

272 interpretation is supported by the blank Withers12 measured during their ERDA session of 54
273 +/- 10 ppm. Withers12 chose not to subtract the ERDA blank because it was trivial compared to
274 their high sample concentrations. Because we have measured a similar y-intercept in the SIMS
275 data, we conclude that the ERDA olivine blank is meaningful, and should be subtracted from the
276 published concentrations in order to most accurately characterize olivines with H₂O
277 concentrations lower than the olivine calibration standards by SIMS. Subtracting the ERDA
278 blank from the SIMS measurements does not change the Withers12 FTIR calibration.

279 At low H₂O concentrations characteristic of natural olivines we also need to account for
280 SIMS blanks (the instrument's background ¹⁶OH/³⁰Si signal). The concurrent measurement
281 during calibration of nearly dry samples (near-blanks) provides an important check on calibration
282 accuracy at low concentrations. Ideally the blank would be the same phase as the calibration
283 standards, but often this is not feasible. Commonly used blanks for measuring H₂O in NAMS
284 include the Suprasil glass noted above or a synthetic forsterite sample known as SynFo100
285 (Koga et al., 2003). Either should be an appropriate blank for NAMs calibrations because
286 ¹⁶OH/³⁰Si ratios are multiplied by SiO₂ and the uncertainty on the known H₂O concentrations is
287 larger than potential mismatched-matrix effects. In addition to providing a check on calibration
288 accuracy at low concentrations, we further improve our calibrations at lower concentrations (<
289 ~20 ppm) by including these near-blank samples in the regression. All other calibration lines
290 presented here are fit through blanks of either SynFo100 or Suprasil glass, depending on which
291 was measured during analysis.

292 Our preferred calibration line for the Withers12 olivines is shown in Figure 2, with the
293 concentrations corrected for the ERDA blank of 54 +/- 10 ppm and the calibration line fit
294 through Suprasil. Note the relative improvement of the error envelope on the regression at low

295 concentrations as a result of including Suprasil in the calibration line. These samples form a
296 calibration slope with an improved y-intercept value of -3.4 ± 0.3 ppm, compared to the
297 uncorrected SIMS calibration intercept of 64 ± 24.5 ppm noted above.

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299 **Bell et al. (2003) SIMS Olivine SIMS Calibration.**

300 All of the Bell03 olivine standards have lower reported H₂O concentrations (≤ 245 ppm)
301 than the Withers12 standards (≥ 283 ppm; Table 1). In order to compare the two sets of samples,
302 we expanded the scale in Figure 2a to examine lower H₂O concentrations, which reveals a
303 number of problems in the Bell calibration. The most obvious is that the six repeat SIMS
304 measurements of standard KLV-23 vary by a factor of ~ 3 . Mosenfelder et al. (2011) observed
305 this same variation using different instruments (The Cameca 7fGeo and NanoSIMS 50L at
306 Caltech's Center for Microanalysis) and attributed it to heterogeneous hydrous brucite
307 inclusions, which are resolvable by SIMS but not by the NRA measurements in Bell03. The
308 other Bell03 standard measured here, GRR1012, also contains hydrous inclusions (Mosenfelder
309 et al., 2011) and also shows variability in many SIMS calibrations (Supplemental Fig. S1). Nano-
310 SIMS measurements containing these hydrous non-olivine phases can often be identified by
311 comparing the expected Poisson error of the ion-counting statistics (σ_{Poisson}) with the standard
312 error on the mean of the five integrated counting blocks (σ_{mean}) (Fitzsimons et al. 2000).
313 Mosenfelder et al. (2011) recommend discarding measurements with a $\frac{\sigma_{\text{mean}}}{\sigma_{\text{Poisson}}} > 5$. While this
314 criterion is useful it does not always improve the precision of the calibration. Supplemental Fig.
315 S2 demonstrates with the standard KLV-23 that filtering data points for homogeneity actually
316 reduced the precision of the mean. Thus, these standards are problematic from both the

317 perspective of sample heterogeneity at multiple scales, and from hydrous non-olivine phases
318 contributing to the NRA determinations of H₂O concentration.

319 These issues lead to the relatively low R² value of 0.77 and an uncertainty of the error
320 envelope on the regression of ~20% at 200 ppm for the Bell03 standards in Fig. 2 for the June
321 2017 session. The August 2016 calibration line based on Bell03 olivines (Supplementary Figure
322 S1) is seemingly more precise with a R² of 0.93 but still suffers from many of the sample
323 problems as noted above. Not only is it apparent that KLV-23 is heterogeneous, but GRR1012 is
324 as well. Some of the improvement in the fit of this line compared to that for the June 2017 data is
325 likely an artifact of the fact that ROM250-13 was not measured during this session, and thus
326 there is apparently less inter-standard variability.

327 DISCUSSION

328 Our findings highlight the problems and limitations in current approaches to the
329 quantification of H₂O concentrations in olivine, and suggest a path forward by using an
330 orthopyroxene calibration, as recommended by Kumamoto et al. (2017). Below we explore this
331 approach further, and provide recommendations to achieve more precise measurements of H₂O
332 concentrations in olivine and orthopyroxene by both SIMS and FTIR. In addition, by applying
333 this improved standardization approach to published data, we bring into closer agreement the
334 widely varying estimates of the partition coefficient for H₂O between olivine and melt (at ~0.2 -2
335 GPa).

336 **Mismatch Between the Bell and Withers Olivine Standard Calibrations.**

337 In addition to the problems with the olivine standard calibrations discussed above –
338 heterogeneity in the natural Bell03 olivines and high blank for the synthetic Withers12 olivine
339 ERDA data – the two calibration curves have dramatically different slopes, with the Bell03 slope

340 greater by a factor of about two (Fig 2). Withers12 noted a similar difference in their FTIR
341 calibration compared to that of Bell03, resulting in H₂O concentrations that differ by -37%
342 $(\frac{Withers12}{Bell03} - 1) \pm 5\%$ (1 sigma) for the same samples.

343 The source of the offset between Bell03 and Withers12's infrared-molar absorptivity is
344 not readily apparent from examining FTIR spectra in the OH-stretching region (3000 – 3750 cm⁻¹)
345 for the olivines from each study (Fig S3). A wavenumber dependent molar absorptivity, such
346 as that used by Libowitzky and Rossman (1997), cannot resolve the disagreement because both
347 sets of spectra are dominated by bands in the same range between 3500 and 3550 cm⁻¹. In fact,
348 the weighted-average wavenumber (as defined by Libowitzky and Rossman (1997)) for the
349 Withers12 spectra ranges from 3417 to 3547 cm⁻¹ and all of the ERDA and FTIR measurements
350 are well fit using a single molar absorptivity. The range in average wavenumber is applicable to
351 many natural olivines, including those of Bell03. This assessment is supported by Mosenfelder et
352 al. (2011) who also do not find any evidence for a wavenumber dependent molar absorptivity in
353 olivines dominated by OH-stretching bands above 3450 cm⁻¹.

354 The SIMS measurements we report for these samples demonstrate that the Bell03 and
355 Withers12 olivines fall on different slopes (Fig. 2) due to differences in the NRA and ERDA
356 measurements, independent of any differences in their IR absorption characteristics. The $-51 \pm 7\%$
357 $(\frac{Withers12}{Bell03} - 1)$ difference in the Withers12 and Bell03 calibration slopes determined by SIMS is
358 within 2σ of the $-37 \pm 5\%$ difference in FTIR molar absorptivities. SIMS is not as, if at all,
359 sensitive to the bonding environment of H in olivine compared to FTIR and thus differences in
360 trace element content should have little effect on SIMS measurements of ¹⁶O¹H with a Cs⁺ beam.
361 In fact, Mosenfelder and Rossman (2013) found no meaningful matrix effects related to
362 comparably large differences in iron concentration for orthopyroxene measurements (Mg#: 79 –

363 99). The difference in the IR absorption coefficients determined by Bell03 and Withers12 is
364 entirely consistent with the differences between the NRA and ERDA measurements as revealed
365 in our SIMS measurements, and may not be strongly affected by the different hydrous defects
366 evidenced in the IR measurements.

367 Knowing that the NRA measurements of KLV-23 and GRR1012 also included hydrous
368 non-olivine phases, it follows that the derived concentrations of H₂O in olivine for both samples
369 are overestimates. The nano-SIMS measurements of KLV-23 provide some insights as to the
370 heterogeneity of H₂O in the sample in the area of each raster (10µm x 10µm). The nano-SIMS
371 measurements of KLV-23 from August 2016 and June 2017 average ~140 ppm H₂O, the
372 concentration measured by NRA, regardless of the degree of heterogeneity as reflected in
373 $\frac{\sigma_{mean}}{\sigma_{Poisson}}$ (Fig. S2). In the case of the three most homogenous ($\frac{\sigma_{mean}}{\sigma_{Poisson}} < 2$) nano-SIMS
374 measurements on KLV-23 the two data points with the lowest concentrations (85 and 95 ppm)
375 are (38% and 30%) lower than the mean value. Thus the nano-SIMS data demonstrate both the
376 presence of hydrous domains in KLV-23 and a lower concentration in the olivine than
377 determined by bulk NRA measurements. It is also unlikely that hydrous non-olivine inclusions
378 generate a proportionally equal contribution to the total IR absorbance and the NRA
379 measurements. The effect of heterogeneities in the IR path on the FTIR spectrum can be complex
380 and difficult to model with the Beer-Lambert law (Mayerhöfer et al., 2016, 2020). However, if
381 we assume that the majority of the hydrous inclusions absorb IR at wavenumbers distinct from
382 hydrous olivine defects (3000-3650 cm⁻¹), we can revise the integrated absorbance of the Bell03
383 olivines to exclude those other wavenumbers (>3650 cm⁻¹) and compare directly to the SIMS
384 measurements and the Withers12 olivines. Such a comparison (Fig. 3) reveals a closer agreement
385 between Bell03 and Withers12 olivines than in Fig. 2. This suggests that the offset in the Bell03

386 and Withers12 olivines is in the NRA-ERDA data more than any large difference in the IR
387 absorbance behavior. A more detailed reassessment of the IR vs. SIMS data is difficult, however,
388 due to the heterogeneities in the Bell03 samples, which ultimately limits their use as reference
389 materials.

390 The Withers12 ERDA measurements, on the other hand, are comparably more robust.
391 After mapping H₂O concentrations across the samples, Withers et al. found them to be largely
392 homogenous and carefully excluded regions of anomalously high concentration due to surface
393 contamination from the ERDA analyses. While the ERDA blank (54 +/- 10 ppm) is higher than
394 the Bell03 NRA blank (2 +/- 2ppm), the Withers samples are higher in H₂O concentration and
395 thus the blank is easily corrected for and has little effect on the FTIR or SIMS calibrations.

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397 **An Alternative Olivine Calibration using Orthopyroxene**

398 Given the inherent difficulty of overcoming the problem of heterogeneity for the Bell03 natural
399 olivine standards, and the fact that the Withers12 synthetic standards are not widely available, we
400 explore the use of orthopyroxene as an alternate calibration standard, as previously suggested by
401 Kumamoto et al. (2017).

402 Previous authors have suggested that SIMS calibration lines for H₂O in mafic natural
403 olivines and orthopyroxenes should have similar slopes due to their similar major element
404 compositions (Koga et al., 2003; Mosenfelder and Rossman, 2013a; Kumamoto et al., 2017).
405 The natural orthopyroxene standards in common use (Table 1) are more homogeneous for H₂O
406 concentration than the Bell03 natural olivine standards. Indeed, the replicate measurements of
407 the three orthopyroxene standards consistently measured at Carnegie show little variation; the

408 range in each standard's measured replicate $^{16}\text{O}^1\text{H}/^{30}\text{Si}$ ratios (India Enstatite: 15.0%; KBH-1:
409 2.3%; ROM273: 0.65%) is considerably smaller than the >40% found in the two Bell03 olivine
410 standards (KLV-23: Fig 2a, Fig. S1. S2; GRR1012 Fig. S1). Furthermore, the orthopyroxene
411 standards form a more robust calibration line than the Bell03 olivine standards ($R^2 = 0.995$), with
412 a 95% confidence interval of $<\pm 5\%$ (Fig. 1, Table 1). The precision of the orthopyroxene Nano-
413 SIMS calibration line supports the use of the Bell et al. (1995) orthopyroxene FTIR calibration,
414 as concluded by Mosenfelder and Rossman (2013). Below we discuss the merits of, and suggest
415 modifications to, the use of the orthopyroxene calibration line for the calibration of olivine.

416 The community has begun to use a new set of orthopyroxene standards published by
417 Kumamoto et al. (2017) and archived at the Smithsonian Institution. Ten of the 15 Kumamoto et
418 al. (2017) orthopyroxene standards were measured in the August 2016 and June 2017 sessions
419 (Table 2 and 3 and Fig. 4). These measurements provide an independent opportunity to compare
420 the Kumamoto standard values to the Carnegie orthopyroxene calibration. Differences are
421 expected to be small because the Kumamoto values were obtained at Carnegie using the same
422 three Carnegie orthopyroxene standards (India Enstatite, KBH-1, and ROM273). The results
423 from the two Carnegie Nano-SIMS sessions are within 10% of the published Kumamoto et al.
424 (2017) values. For two Kumamoto et al. (2017) standards, however, SIMS measurements vary
425 significantly, possibly due to heterogeneity within these particular standards (SMNH ID:109426-
426 1 and 117322-245).

427 In order to demonstrate that the SIMS orthopyroxene and olivine calibrations are stable
428 relative to each other, we examined the data from 12 Carnegie SIMS sessions from 2007 to 2019.
429 We treated the olivine standards as unknowns and calculated H_2O concentrations for each SIMS
430 measurement with the orthopyroxene calibration for that SIMS session (Fig. S4). For the most

431 consistent olivine samples (e.g. CM58-ol, ROM250-13), the standard deviation (1 sigma) of the
432 concentrations is 12-14%. This uncertainty is comparable to the concentration variations
433 measured in a single sample during the same session supporting the reproducibility and stability
434 of olivines measurements relative to the orthopyroxene calibration with time.

435 As was shown in Figure 2, the orthopyroxene calibration line lies between the olivine
436 calibration lines for the standards of Bell03 and Withers12. However, the slope of the
437 orthopyroxene calibration line is closer to that for the Withers olivines, differing only by 19%
438 (Fig. 2a). The first-order similarity in the slopes of the orthopyroxene and Withers olivine
439 calibrations lines provides some justification for using the orthopyroxene calibration in future
440 studies. It is possible that the 19% offset is real, resulting from differing matrix effects in the
441 SIMS measurements of olivine and orthopyroxene. But there are also reasons to suspect that the
442 orthopyroxene calibration line is erroneously high, and should be adjusted to a lower slope (Fig.
443 2a). This is because the orthopyroxene calibration is ultimately based on measurement of a
444 single opx (KBH-1) by manometry (Bell et al., 1995), upon which both the FTIR and SIMS
445 determination of the other orthopyroxene standards are based. That is, the values for the other
446 Carnegie orthopyroxene standards (India Enstatite, and ROM 273) were calibrated based on
447 KBH-1 as an FTIR and/or SIMS reference standard (Koga et al., 2003; Bell et al. 2004, Aubaud
448 et al., 2007). Thus, the validity of the orthopyroxene calibration line depends on the accuracy of
449 the accepted value for H₂O in KBH-1. Bell et al. (1995) recommended a H₂O concentration for
450 KBH-1 of 217 +/- 11 ppm, although they measured 186 +/- 1.6 ppm by manometry. Manometry
451 is a bulk measurement of H₂O extracted by the heating of several grains at once. The rationale
452 for upward adjustment of KBH-1's H₂O concentration rested on a determination that 14% of the
453 H₂O had not been extracted and measured, a finding based on FTIR analyses of a single grain

454 before and after heating. Bell et al. (1995) noted that this upward correction was likely a
455 maximum estimate because the grain measured was one of the largest in their population. The
456 smaller grains in the bulk manometry measurement would have more efficiently released their
457 H₂O (if the process was governed by length-scale dependent diffusion) and therefore would not
458 require the 14% upward correction. For example, a grain with a minimum width 20% smaller
459 would have retained only 4% vs the 14% estimated by Bell et al. (1995) (Fig. S7). We do not
460 know the grain size distribution relative to the single grain measured by Bell et al. (1995) but
461 because the grain was reported as distinctively larger than the others, it is likely that the bulk
462 sample was over-corrected upward. We propose that the standard reference concentration for
463 KBH-1 should be revised to better represent the full range of uncertainty in the published
464 concentrations, recommending the average of the uncorrected (186 ppm; the lowest estimate)
465 and over-corrected (217 ppm; the highest estimate) KBH-1 concentrations, yielding a
466 concentration of 202 ppm ± 15 ppm.

467 Our recommendation of a lower concentration for KBH-1 is counter to the choices made
468 by Mosenfelder et al. (2013a) who supported the use of the Bell et al. (1995) concentration of
469 217± 11, in part based on hydrogen depth profiles of KBH-1 (223 ppm) by proton-proton
470 scattering reported by Wegdén et al. (2005). The latter measurement, however, can support a
471 value anywhere from 181±39 to 219±60 ppm (see table S6 for details). Another independent
472 measurement of KBH-1 using continuous flow mass spectrometry reported a value of 165+/- 20
473 ppm (O’Leary et al., 2007). Unlike Bell et al. (1995), the latter investigators did not directly
474 measure how much H₂O was left unextracted after heating for any of their orthopyroxene grains.
475 While their measurements were shorter than those of Bell et al. (1995) (30 - 90 minutes vs 6
476 hours, respectively), their extractions temperatures were higher (1120 °C vs ~1000 °C) and their

477 grains were thinner ($< \sim 87 \mu\text{m}$ vs 0.1 to 2mm). Given these uncertainties, we choose not to
478 integrate the Wegdén et al. (2005) and O’Leary et al. (2007) measurements into our
479 recommended value for KBH-1.

480 Our proposed modification to the concentration of KBH-1 of 202 +/- 15 ppm H₂O would
481 lead to a revised integral molar absorption coefficient of 86600 +/- 7000 L* mol^{-1} * cm^{-2} (the
482 original constant reported in Bell et al. (1995) was 80600 +/- 3200 L* mol^{-1} * cm^{-2}). The integral
483 specific absorption coefficient for high-magnesium orthopyroxene is 15.95 +/- 1.23 ppm⁻¹ cm^{-2}
484 (originally reported as 14.84 +/- 0.59 ppm⁻¹ cm^{-2}). Applying this new coefficient to the other
485 orthopyroxene standards determined by FTIR yields revised values for India enstatite and ROM
486 273 reported in Table 1.

487 The revised orthopyroxene standard concentrations proposed here yield a SIMS
488 calibration line that is 12% higher than the Withers12 olivine line, as opposed to the original
489 19% difference. It is possible the 12% difference is due to real SIMS matrix effects between
490 olivine and orthopyroxene. However, we consider 12% to be within the aggregated uncertainty
491 of the orthopyroxene standard concentrations (resting on KBH-1), and the large blank
492 corrections required for Withers12 olivines (Fig. 1a). We therefore support the recommendation
493 of Kumamoto et al. (2017) to use an orthopyroxene calibration for the SIMS standardization of
494 natural olivines, but using our revised concentrations (Table 1 and the dashed line in Figure 2a).
495 In view of the fact that the Kumamoto orthopyroxene standards are likely to become more
496 widely used for calibrations of both olivine and orthopyroxene, we have suggested new standard
497 H₂O concentrations based on our correction to the KBH-1 and the DTM orthopyroxene standard
498 values. These updated H₂O concentrations are presented in Table 3. We have not proposed
499 adjusted reference concentrations for sample SMNH ID:109426-1 because our measurements

500 disagree with the results of Kumamoto by more than -10% and the June 2017 measurements vary
501 by $\sim\pm 20\%$. Sample SMNH ID:117322-245 is highly variable ($\pm 46\%$) in the June 2017
502 NanoSIMS measurements therefore we have not considered measurements from this date in the
503 revised reference concentration.

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505 **Clinopyroxene Calibrations and Standards**

506 While not the primary subject of this paper, the clinopyroxene standards from Bell et al.
507 (1995) and Bell et al. (2004) were also analyzed in multiple sessions on the Cameca 6F at
508 Carnegie from 2007 - 2019 (and produced data reported in multiple publications, such as Wade
509 et al., 2008; Lloyd et al., 2016 and Kumamoto et al., 2017). The calibrations included the same
510 four standards: PMR-53 (measured by manometry) and ROM271-10, -16 and -21 (measured by
511 FTIR by Bell et al. 2004 and using the molar absorptivity from Bell et al. 1995, which is based
512 on the PMR-53 manometry). The linear fits to these standards have led to high uncertainty in
513 H₂O concentrations, $>\pm 50$ ppm for samples with > 200 ppm (Figure S5a). Mosenfelder and
514 Rossman (2013b) determined that the wavenumber-dependent FTIR molar absorptivity of
515 Libowitzky and Rossman (1997) improves the agreement between SIMS and FTIR data. Weiss
516 et al., (2018) make similar but less definite conclusions from their measurement of H₂O in
517 clinopyroxene by proton-proton scattering. Aubaud et al. (2009)'s ERDA measurements of
518 clinopyroxene (including PMR-53 and ROM271 -16, and ROM271-21) also provide some
519 support for using the Libowitzky and Rossman (1997) wavenumber dependent molar
520 absorptivity, but the uncertainty of their blank (102 ± 81 ppm) makes it difficult to more precisely
521 determine the concentration of their samples. Our analysis of the Carnegie data further supports
522 this conclusion, reducing the uncertainty on the calibration to $\sim 10\%$ (Fig. S5a). Moreover, we

523 find that this clinopyroxene calibration line is in close agreement with the basaltic glass
524 calibration line determined by both the NanoSIMS and 6F (Fig. S6). This general agreement in
525 SIMS H₂O calibrations using three independent approaches (Bell et al., (1995)'s manometry
526 measurement of PMR-53, Libowitzky and Rossman's (1997) FTIR absorption coefficients
527 applied to clinopyroxenes, and the basaltic glass SIMS calibration) supports their use and
528 motivates a re-examination of the Kumamoto et al. (2017) clinopyroxenes. The published
529 concentrations for these openly-accessible standards were determined using the lower quality
530 Bell et al. (1995) calibration (e.g., the red line in Fig S5a). Eleven of the twelve Kumamoto
531 clinopyroxenes were analyzed in the August 2016 and June 2017 NanoSIMS sessions at
532 Carnegie, and we illustrate the excellent agreement in values (within 10%, Fig S5b) calibrated
533 using basaltic glasses and with the clinopyroxene calibration (with reference concentrations
534 determined using the wavenumber-dependent FTIR molar absorptivity of Libowitzky and
535 Rossman (1997)). Revised values for the Kumamoto clinopyroxenes based on the average of the
536 two calibration approaches shown in Fig S5b are provided in Table 3. Revised values for
537 clinopyroxenes from Bell et al. (2004; ROM271-10, -16 and -21) are provided in supplemental
538 table S5.

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541 **Application to an improved partition coefficient for H₂O between olivine and melt**

542 An important application that follows from more accurate measurements of H₂O
543 concentrations in olivine is the partitioning of H₂O between olivine and melt. There is currently
544 significant disagreement in the partition coefficients (K_d) determined from experimental studies
545 at upper mantle pressures (~0.2 - 2 GPa) (Koga et al. 2003; Aubaud et al., 2004; Hauri et al.,
546 2006; Tenner et al., 2009) and those measured in magmatic olivine in hydrous arc basalts and

547 their entrapped melt-inclusions (Le Voyer et al. 2014; Newcombe et al., 2020). Experimentally
548 determined olivine-melt partition coefficients for H₂O are nearly double those based on natural
549 samples (Fig. 5a).

550 The main source of this disagreement has been attributed to diffusive H⁺ loss from the
551 olivine phenocrysts surrounding melt inclusions (Le Voyer et al. 2014, Newcombe et al. 2020,
552 Barth and Plank, 2021). In this scenario, olivine loses H⁺ through magmatic degassing upon
553 ascent, and therefore the apparent K_d will be lowered as a function of the extent of H⁺ loss.
554 Because diffusive H⁺ loss varies by several orders of magnitude along the different
555 crystallographic axes (Demouchy and Mackwell, 2006), the apparent K_d will also depend on the
556 position of the SIMS analysis with regard to the olivine crystallographic axes and its distance
557 from the interface between the melt inclusion and that olivine (Le Voyer et al., 2014). These
558 factors will all tend to skew the apparent K_d for studies of melt inclusions to lower values than
559 experimental studies.

560 While H⁺ loss is a reasonable explanation for the lower K_d in natural samples, a major source
561 of the discrepancy lies in the different olivine calibrations used by the different studies. We can
562 explore this because several SIMS studies used both olivine and orthopyroxene calibration lines
563 (Koga et al., 2003; Aubaud et al., 2004; Hauri et al., 2006; Newcombe et al., 2020). Using the
564 orthopyroxene calibrations as recommended above, we have recalculated the K_d values for
565 olivine-melt pairs in both the experimental and melt inclusion studies. As shown in Figure 5b the
566 recalibration of the K_d data now brings the experimental and melt inclusion datasets into closer
567 agreement. The K_d values of Koga et al. (2003), Aubaud et al. (2004) and Hauri et al. (2006) are
568 reduced by factors of ~35-40% using our recommended calibration and are also consistent with
569 the 37 +/- 5% reduction in using Withers vs. Bell FTIR absorption coefficients. The notable

570 exceptions are the three olivine-melt inclusion measurements of Newcombe et al. (2020) which
571 are only reduced by 7%; this is because they followed the recommendation of Kumamoto et al.
572 (2017) and mainly used the Carnegie orthopyroxene standards for their SIMS olivine analyses.
573 We have only revised the Newcombe et al. (2020) results slightly to account for our proposed
574 revisions to the orthopyroxene standard H₂O concentrations. Taken together, the experimental
575 and natural datasets are consistent with an average K_d of 0.0009 +/- 0.0003.

576 For the average K_d above, we do not include the data of Portnyagin et al. (2008) who
577 reported K_d of 0.0022–0.0027 for experimentally equilibrated olivines hosted melt inclusions.
578 These measurements are seemingly ideal to resolving the question of differences between melt
579 inclusion studies and other experimental studies, but we have cause to think their measurements
580 of H₂O in olivine are skewed to higher concentrations. Unlike the other analyses included in
581 Figure 5, which were made by SIMS, Portnyagin et al. (2008) measured H₂O concentrations in
582 olivine by FTIR. They followed the method of Matveev and Satchel (2007), which is a hybrid of
583 the Bell03 calibration and the wavenumber-dependent calibrations of Libowitzky and Rossman
584 (1997). The analyses used an unpolarized IR-beam measured nearly perpendicular to the
585 crystallographic directions that have the strongest absorbance signal, [100] and [001] and thus
586 likely represent a maximum of the combined signal for all three axes. Even so, we can still
587 estimate that the Withers12 equivalent K_d values for these samples would be 0.0013–0.0016,
588 only slightly higher than the highest estimates by SIMS.

589 Le Voyer et al. (2014) also measured partition coefficients in melt inclusions and olivine
590 host pairs. They observed steep gradients in olivine H₂O concentration surrounding melt
591 inclusions which were consistent with diffusive H⁺ loss during magmatic ascent and represent a
592 challenge to the olivine measurements. They report partition coefficients of 0.0007 – 0.0003

593 based on the olivine measurement taken closest to the melt inclusion. Le Voyer et al. (2014) do
594 not report an orthopyroxene SIMS calibration, so unlike the other studies we have no direct
595 comparison with the results of our study. They do, however, measure the homogenous olivine
596 standards recommended by Mosenfelder et al. (2011) which are consistent with the Bell03 FTIR
597 calibration. If we apply a conversion factor of 0.63 +/- 0.08 to translate data reported using the
598 Bell absorption coefficient to that of Withers, the rescaled partition coefficients from Le Voyer et
599 al. (2014) are lower on average than those of Newcombe et al. (2020) and most of the
600 experimentally determined values. We cannot rule out that H₂O partition coefficients determined
601 from melt inclusion studies are systematically too low, in view of the observed diffusive H⁺ loss
602 gradients described above.

603 The heart of the issue is whether K_d values from equilibrium experiments can be applied
604 to magmatic olivines often formed at lower pressures than the experimental samples (Newcombe
605 et al., 2020). Our results support the use of the experimental K_d . Much of the offset between
606 analyses of natural olivine-melt inclusion pairs and experimental K_d values is resolved by our
607 proposed recalibration of the SIMS data. As noted above, we believe the remaining offset is
608 caused by H₂O loss from natural olivine phenocrysts during magma ascent. If K_d and pressure do
609 in fact correlate at less than 2 GPa, as is seen at greater pressures (Adam et al., 2016), it cannot
610 be resolved with the current datasets. Further experimental studies at lower pressures relevant to
611 magmatic ascent would be useful in resolving remaining questions.

612 **IMPLICATIONS**

613 The measurement of H₂O concentrations in olivine has presented a great analytical challenge.
614 The literature is rife with inconsistencies that have derived from evolving FTIR techniques,
615 heterogeneous standard reference materials, and signals near detection limits. Most data prior to

616 the mid-1990's relied on Paterson's foundational work determining FTIR based calibrations for
617 H₂O in glasses and quartz. Bell et al. (1995) demonstrated in their landmark study that Paterson's
618 (1982) calibration could result in H₂O concentrations up to 3x too low compared to mineral
619 specific calibrations for NAMS, with dramatically different implications for the effect of
620 hydration on seismic attenuation, mantle viscosity and solidus. The development by Bell et al.
621 (2003) and Withers et al. (2012) of independent datasets for H₂O concentrations in olivine using
622 NRA and ERDA, respectively, was a major step forward, but ultimately led to a ~40%
623 uncertainty in the FTIR absorption coefficients in use over the past ten years.

624 Our work has clearly shown that the ~40% offset between Bell03 and Withers12 absorption
625 coefficients lies largely within the NRA vs ERDA analyses, more than any major difference in
626 the IR absorption characteristics of the two sets of olivines. The NRA H₂O concentrations
627 measured by Bell03 are likely contaminated by the presence of hydrous inclusions (well
628 documented by Mosenfelder et al., 2011). Taken together, our results do not support the use of
629 the Bell03 FTIR absorption coefficient for quantifying H₂O in olivine.

630 Our work highlights a general problem in developing SIMS calibration lines using natural
631 olivines: many with high concentrations of H₂O (e.g., > 100 ppm, which is desirable for a
632 calibration) contain hydrous inclusions. This has plagued the use of the natural olivine
633 standards. Alteration/weathering of olivine remains an important issue when considering the
634 reliability of H₂O measurements in standards or samples, especially extraterrestrial ones
635 (Hausrath et al., 2008; Stephant et al., 2018). On the other hand, natural orthopyroxenes have
636 both higher typical concentrations and are less affected by hydrous inclusions than natural
637 olivines. Our study has attempted to reconcile these inconsistencies in the olivine standards (to

638 within 12%, largely within analytical precision) and points to a path forward using
639 orthopyroxenes, with the following recommendations and implications.

- 640 • The values of the synthetic olivine standards developed by Withers et al. (2012) require
641 correction for the 54 +/- 10 ppm ERDA blank measured in that study (Table 1). This
642 becomes important when applying this calibration to natural olivine samples, which
643 typically have lower concentrations.
- 644 • Examination of the Bell et al. (2003) calibration using natural olivine standards confirms
645 the findings of Mosenfelder et al. (2011) that two of the three standards are
646 heterogeneous with respect to H₂O and therefore problematic to use as standards.
647 Moreover, the presence of hydrous inclusions in these standards means that the bulk
648 NRA analyses in Bell et al. (2003) are skewed to higher concentrations than in the
649 inclusion-free olivine, rendering these olivine grains unreliable as standards.
- 650 • The difficulties of using olivine calibration standards can be avoided by using
651 orthopyroxenes as standards for the calibration of H₂O in olivine by SIMS, as previously
652 suggested by Kumamoto et al. (2017). Our analysis shows that the Carnegie SIMS
653 calibration of olivines using orthopyroxene standards is highly stable over time (within
654 11-14% relative).
- 655 • The SIMS olivine calibration line based on Withers's olivines, however, is offset by 19%
656 from the calibration line for orthopyroxene. To explore this discrepancy, we traced the
657 basis for the accepted values for the orthopyroxene standards to the one underlying
658 measurement – the manometry value of KBH-1 reported by Bell et al. (1995). Our
659 interpretation of their data suggests a modification of the reference value from 217+/-11

660 ppm to 202 \pm 15 ppm. This leads to modified reference values for all of the
661 orthopyroxene standards measured (Table 1) and a closer approach to the Withers'
662 olivine calibration (within 12%).

663 • Using the new orthopyroxene-based calibration to recalculate previously measured H₂O
664 concentrations in natural and experimental olivines, we determine revised values for the
665 partition coefficient for H₂O between olivine and melt of 0.0009 \pm 0.0003 at pressures
666 between \sim 0.2 and 2 GPa. This also appears to resolve much of the previous discrepancy
667 in the partition coefficients between experimental studies and those based on natural
668 olivine-hosted melt inclusion samples.

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670 The following summarizes our proposed best practices when measuring H₂O concentrations in
671 olivine by SIMS:

672 • At the present time, SIMS measurements of H₂O in olivine should be calibrated to well-
673 characterized orthopyroxene standards, which we find to be most consistent with the
674 Withers et al. (2012) olivine calibration. Currently these include orthopyroxenes of Bell
675 et al. (1995), Mosenfelder et al. (2013a), and Kumamoto et al. (2017), with adjustments
676 to reference values as noted in Table 3. In cross-mineral calibrations it is important to
677 multiply SIMS ¹⁶O¹H/³⁰Si ratios by the SiO₂ wt.% concentration of each sample.

678 • Calibration lines should use weighted-linear regression. In order to test for goodness of
679 fit, regression through the standards (not including the blank) should determine the Y-
680 intercept, which should then be compared with a “blank” measurement. Assuming the
681 initial Y-intercept agrees with the blank within error, the final calibration line should be

682 re-fit to include the blank in the regression. This better accounts for uncertainty in the
683 blank measurement at low concentrations.

684 • Finally, we suggest that future work be done to further refine the calibrations for olivine
685 and orthopyroxene. The same set of homogenous samples, natural and synthetic, should
686 be measured by multiple methods (ERDA, NRA, Manometry, SIMS and FTIR) to
687 determine the most accurate and precise calibration. In the interim, homogenous olivine
688 standards (e.g., CM58-ol) should continue to be measured and reported. This will help
689 ensure that future calibrations can be updated if the olivine calibration is revised with
690 additional data. New homogenous olivines standards should be developed and made
691 available, as has been done for pyroxenes by Kumamoto et al. (2017).

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Tables

Table 1 – Standards and Blanks used to calibrate and monitor drift in SIMS H₂O measurements

Sample	Phase	H ₂ O Published ppm	Method	Suggested H ₂ O ppm (this study)
GRR1012	Olivine	220±20 ^a	NRA	125±39 ^{‡*}
KLV23	Olivine	140±20 ^a	NRA	97±20 ^{‡*}
ROM177	Olivine	125±20 ^b	FTIR by Bell Calibration	88±8 [‡]
ROM250-2	Olivine	183±30 ^b	FTIR by Bell Calibration	80±12 [‡]
ROM250-13	Olivine	254±40 ^b	FTIR by Bell Calibration	141±20 [‡]
CM58	Olivine	22 ^c	SIMS calibrated with Bell NRA olivines	16±2 [‡]
SynFo100	Synthetic Forsterite Olivine [†]	< 1 ^d	FTIR	NA §
M475ol	Synthetic Olivine	2019±343 ^e	ERDA	1965±343 ¶
M443ol	Synthetic Olivine	1106±184 ^e	ERDA	1052±184 ¶
M437ol	Synthetic Olivine	925±176 ^e	ERDA	871±176 ¶
M472ol	Synthetic Olivine	793±147 ^e	ERDA	739±147 ¶
M449ol	Synthetic Olivine	769±129 ^e	ERDA	715±129 ¶
A710ol	Synthetic Olivine	468±81 ^e	ERDA	414±82 ¶
M469ol	Synthetic Olivine	283±50 ^e	ERDA	229±51 ¶
ROM-273-OG2	Orthopyroxene	263±13 ^{d,b,f}	FTIR	245±19 ^{**}
KBH-1	Orthopyroxene	217±11 ^g	Manometry	202±15 ^{**}
India Enstatite	Orthopyroxene	141±7 ^{d,h,f}	FTIR	131±10 ^{**}
Suprasil 3001/3002	Synthetic SiO ₂ Glass	1±~1 ^{ij}	IR Laser absorption (946nm, 1064nm, 1319nm)	NA §

891 Table 1.

892 Notes: NRA: nuclear reaction analysis. ERDA: elastic recoil detection analysis. FTIR: Fourier
 893 transform infrared spectroscopy. References for published values: ^aBell et al., 2003; ^bBell et al.,
 894 2004; ^cHauri unpublished; ^dKoga et al. 2003; ^eWithers et al. (2012); ^fKumamoto et al. 2017;
 895 ^gBell et al. 1995; ^hAubaud et al 2007; ⁱHereaus, 2019; ^jHereaus, 2020. For revised
 896 concentrations: * Heterogeneous Sample; ‡ Revised to the long-term average of samples
 897 measured on the Carnegie 6F using the orthopyroxene calibration presented in this paper.; †
 898 Synthetic Forsterite produced by Takei and Kobayashi, 1974; § near blank standard no change; ¶
 899 subtracted ERDA blank of 54±10 (Withers et al., 2012); **Revised as discussed in text
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Table 2 - Coefficients and R² Values for lines fit to calibration measurements

Calibration	Slope	Y-Intercept	R ²
June 2017 No Blank Correction^a			
Opx no Blank	97±2	-10.8±5	0.998
Withers Olivine as Published	75±2.5	64±24	0.994
June 2017 Blank Corrected^b			
Opx blank included	94±0.6	-4.4±0.3	0.9996
Withers Olivine	76±1.5	-3.4±0.3	0.993
Bell Olivine	156±20	-7.9±1.9	0.771
August 2016 Blank Corrected^c			
Opx blank included	117±3	-2.7±0.5	0.9996
Bell Olivine	204±17	-4.7±1	0.993

Notes: ^aCalibration shown in Fig. 1; ^bCalibration shown in Fig. 2; ^cCalibration shown in Supplementary Fig. S1

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Table 3- Kumamoto et al. 2017 Orthopyroxene and Clinopyroxene concentration measured in this study.

	Sample	Measured August 2016 ppm	1 σ	Measured June 2017 ppm	1 σ	Published ppm	1 σ	Revised ppm *	1 σ
Orthopyroxene	109426-1	208	11	200	43	241	15	NA	NA
	116610-15	233	6	241	7	234	22	221	20
	116610-16	247	4	256	1	264	28	234	26
	116610-18	113	1	112	1	119	11	105	10
	116610-29	53	2	56	3	62	5	51	5
	116610-5	304	3	315	2	309	27	288	25
	117213-5	149	3	162	1	169	11	145	10
	117322-245	194	4	160	74	211	12	180*	10
	KH03-27	183	2	201	3	182	19	179	18
	KH03-4	220	2	225	1	216	14	207	13
Clinopyroxene	116610-14	283	4	225	17	356	48	254	33
	116610-15	333	4	271	6	441	61	302	34
	116610-16	371	2	309	4	490	66	340	34
	116610-18	155	2	123	12	199	27	139	19
	116610-5	381	5	284	10	544	79	332	54
	117213-5	243	4	174	7	315	40	202	38
	117322-242	119	1	77	0	127	16	94	23
	KH03-27	281	3	229	17	367	49	255	30
	KH03-4	287	5	241	8	427	59	264	26
	SC-J1	56	1	35	1	62	9	46	11
	SMC31139	7	2	0	0	5	0	3	4

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Notes: Revised orthopyroxene concentrations are the averages of the values measured in the August 2016 and June 2017 NanoSIMS session multiplied by a factor of 0.93 to account for revisions to the orthopyroxene calibrations presented in this paper. Standard deviations have been propagated from the published values. Concentrations for clinopyroxenes are derived from the average of the Libowitzky and Rossman (1997) based clinopyroxene calibration (Fig. S5a) and the calibration for basaltic glasses. The revised concentrations are the average of the values measured in the August 2016 and June 2017 NanoSIMS session. These are within ~5% of the concentrations that may be derived from the Kumamoto et al. (2017) supplementary data with similar calibrations. *Concentration for orthopyroxene 117322-245 was determined from only the August 2016 measurements due to the high uncertainty in the June 2017 measurements.

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Figure Captions

930 **Figure 1.** Calibration lines for H₂O concentrations in olivine (blue) and orthopyroxene (green)

931 by the Carnegie Cameca NanoSIMS 50L in June 2017. The X-axis is the measured ¹⁶O¹H/³⁰Si

932 ion ratio multiplied by the wt% SiO₂ concentration of each standard; the Y-axis shows the

933 accepted H₂O concentration for each standard (concentrations and references given in Tables 1).

934 Inset shows the entire dataset, which is then expanded to magnify data for H₂O concentrations

935 lower than 600 ppm. Symbol shape distinguishes published H₂O concentrations by method of

936 analysis; symbol color distinguishes phase analyzed (olivine: blue; orthopyroxene: green;

937 Suprasil SiO₂ glass: grey). The star symbol represents the Withers et al. (2017) ERDA blank of

938 54 +/- 10 ppm. The Withers olivine calibration line is not fit through this data point yet the

939 determined Y-intercept agrees well with this value suggesting this blank should be subtracted

940 from the reference values. In contrast, the orthopyroxene calibration line passes through the

941 Suprasil blank demonstrating the precision of this calibration. The blue and green shaded regions

942 contain the regression and 95% confidence interval, using a weighted orthogonal-distance-

943 regression (WODR) to account for uncertainty in both the measured element ratios and the

944 known concentrations. Error bars represent 1 sigma uncertainties. Uncertainties in ¹⁶O¹H/³⁰Si ion

945 ratio * SiO₂ are smaller than the symbols. Uncertainty in the calibration was assessed with

946 multiple regressions on bootstrapped samples consisting of 5000 random subsamples drawn with

947 replacement from the measurements (Efron, 1979). Confidence intervals were determined from

948 the histograms of possible H₂O concentrations in the bootstrapped calibration lines. Uncertainties

949 for India Enstatite and ROM273 (15 and 29 ppm respectively) used in this calibration differ from

950 published values (7 and 15 ppm) because we more thoroughly propagated errors from the FTIR
951 calibration, which is solely dependent on KBH-1. Refer to Table 2 for slope, intercept and R^2 .

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953 **Figure 2.** The June 2017 NanoSIMS calibrations as in Figure 1 but modified such that the
954 Withers et al. (2012) ERDA blank (54 +/- 10 ppm) has been subtracted from those sample's
955 reference concentrations and all calibration lines have been fit to include Suprasil glass as a near-
956 blank. The scale of the axes has been rescaled compared to figure 1 in order better show the
957 details of each calibration. Also shown in light-green are olivine data and the resulting regression
958 using olivines from Bell et al. (2003 and 2004). Dashed line represents the revised orthopyroxene
959 calibration based on the manometry measurements of KBH-1 by Bell. et al. (1995), as discussed
960 in the text. Refer to Table 2 for slope, intercept and R^2 .

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962 **Figure 3.** Comparison of $^{16}\text{O}^1\text{H}^{30}\text{Si}$ ion ratio (multiplied by the wt% SiO_2 of each standard) and
963 integrated IR absorbance (cm^{-2}) from the OH-stretching region ($3000\text{-}3750\text{ cm}^{-1}$). Ion ratios were
964 measured on the Carnegie Cameca NanoSIMS 50L in June 2017. Blue diamonds are the olivines
965 measured by Withers et al. (2012). The full range of these samples can be seen in the inset plot.
966 The blue line and shading represent the best fit line and 68% confidence interval for all of the
967 Withers et al. (2012) samples. The small red pentagons are olivines KLV23 and GRR1012,
968 measured by Bell et al. (2003). The integrated absorbances for these samples include peaks
969 indicative of hydrous non-olivine inclusions between 3650 and 3750 cm^{-1} (Mosenfelder et al.,
970 2011). The 68% confidence interval for the best fit line (red) for these samples spans the full
971 range of the other shaded regions depicted here and therefore has been omitted for visual clarity.
972 The larger pink pentagons (Carnegie olivine) indicate samples which either do not have

973 significant IR peaks from hydrous non-olivine inclusions (ROM177, ROM250-13) or for which
974 spectra have been reintegrated to exclude OH-stretching bands above 3650 cm^{-1} (KLV23,
975 GRR1012). Integrated absorbances for ROM177 and ROM250-13 are as reported in
976 Mosenfelder et al. (2011). The Withers and Carnegie olivines plot along the same line within
977 uncertainty. The best fit line for the combined samples is $Y = 623 \pm 13 * X + 117 \pm 39$. Uncertainty
978 on integrated absorbance is assumed to be 10% using the same assumption of Withers et al.
979 (2012). High $^{16}\text{O}^{1}\text{H}/^{30}\text{Si}$ measurements of KLV23 have been excluded from the data points
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982 **Figure 4.** Comparison of published H_2O concentrations in the orthopyroxene standards in
983 Kumamoto et al. (2017) to the SIMS measurements at Carnegie during August 2016 (green
984 circles) and June 2017 (green squares). The two samples (SMNH ID:109426-1 and 117322-245)
985 with measured concentrations that differ from the published values by more than -10% are
986 shown in darker green and labeled. Data are calibrated using the Carnegie orthopyroxene
987 standards: KBH-1 (Bell et al., 1995); India enstatite (Koga et al., 2003; Aubaud et al., 2007;
988 Kumamoto et al. 2017); ROM 273 (Koga et al., 2003; Bell et al., 2004; Kumamoto et al., 2017)
989 which are shown as blue triangles and diamonds for the 2016 and 2017 SIMS sessions
990 respectively. Data have been corrected for instrumental drift using KBH-1 measured on both the
991 standard mount and sample mount.

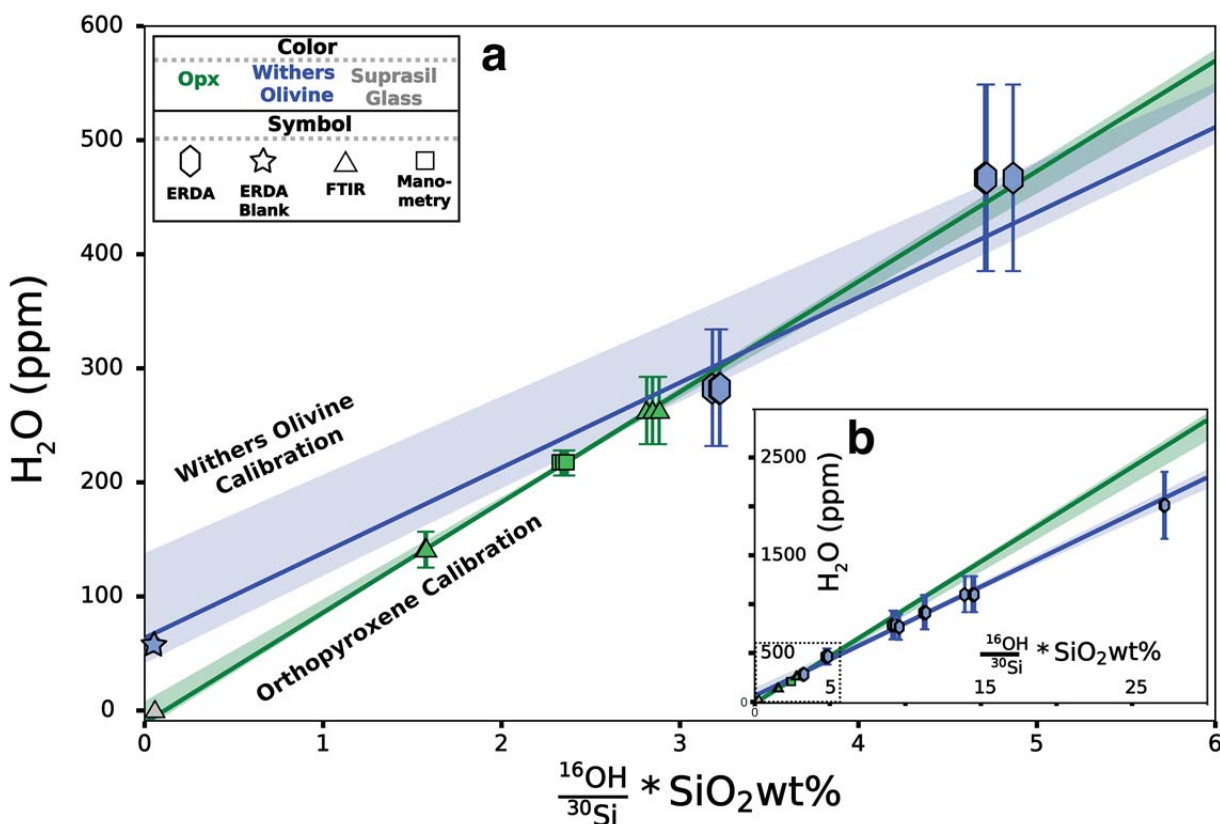
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993 **Figure 5.** Partition coefficients (K_d) for H_2O between olivine and melt. a) K_{ds} published by Koga
994 et al., 2003 (green); Aubaud et al., 2004 (orange); Hauri et al., 2006 (blue); and Newcombe et al.,
995 2020 (purple). b) K_{ds} recalculated to be consistent with the Withers et al. (2012) calibration for

996 H₂O in olivine using the revised orthopyroxene calibration, as described in the text. Recalculated
 997 K_ds are only shown for those studies that measured both orthopyroxene and olivine standards.
 998 Concentrations of H₂O in the melt phase were not adjusted. Symbols distinguish between
 999 experimental studies (circles) and measurements of melt-inclusion and olivine host pairs
 1000 (triangles). Shaded regions represent 1σ (65% CI) distributions for K_d coefficients: Published
 1001 experimental studies average 0.00153 +0.00062/ -0.00034 (orange); melt inclusion studies
 1002 average 0.00083 +/-0.00025 (purple); and revised K_d from the combined experimental and melt-
 1003 inclusion studies average 0.0009 +0.0003/ -0.0002 (blue).

1004 **Figures**

1005 **Fig. 1**

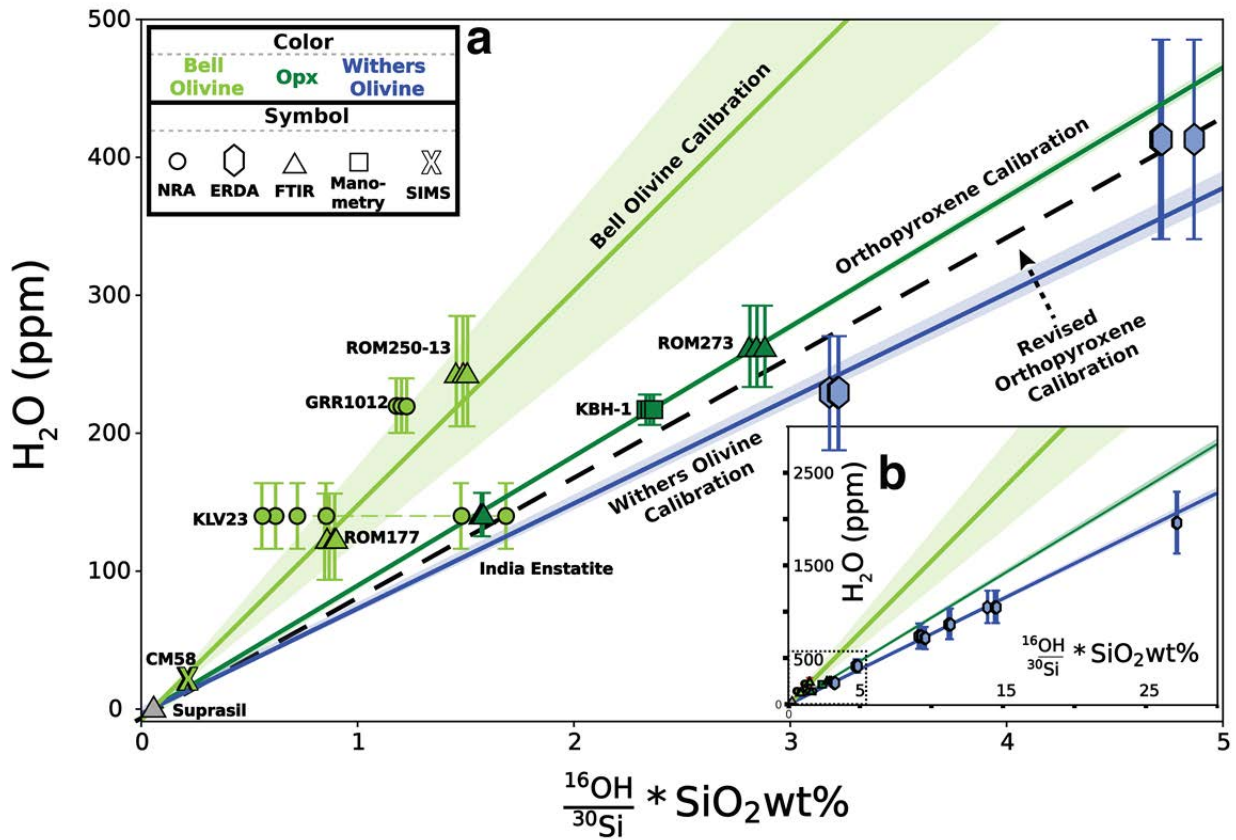


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Fig. 2



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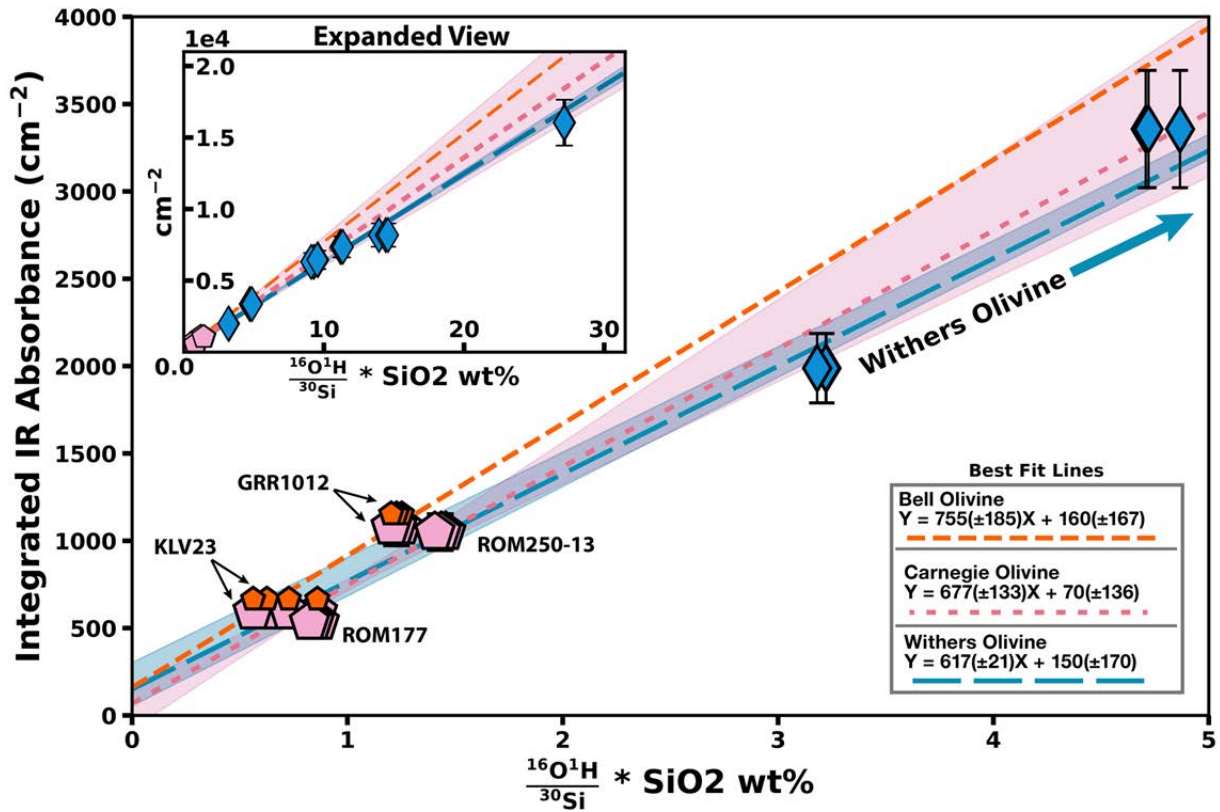
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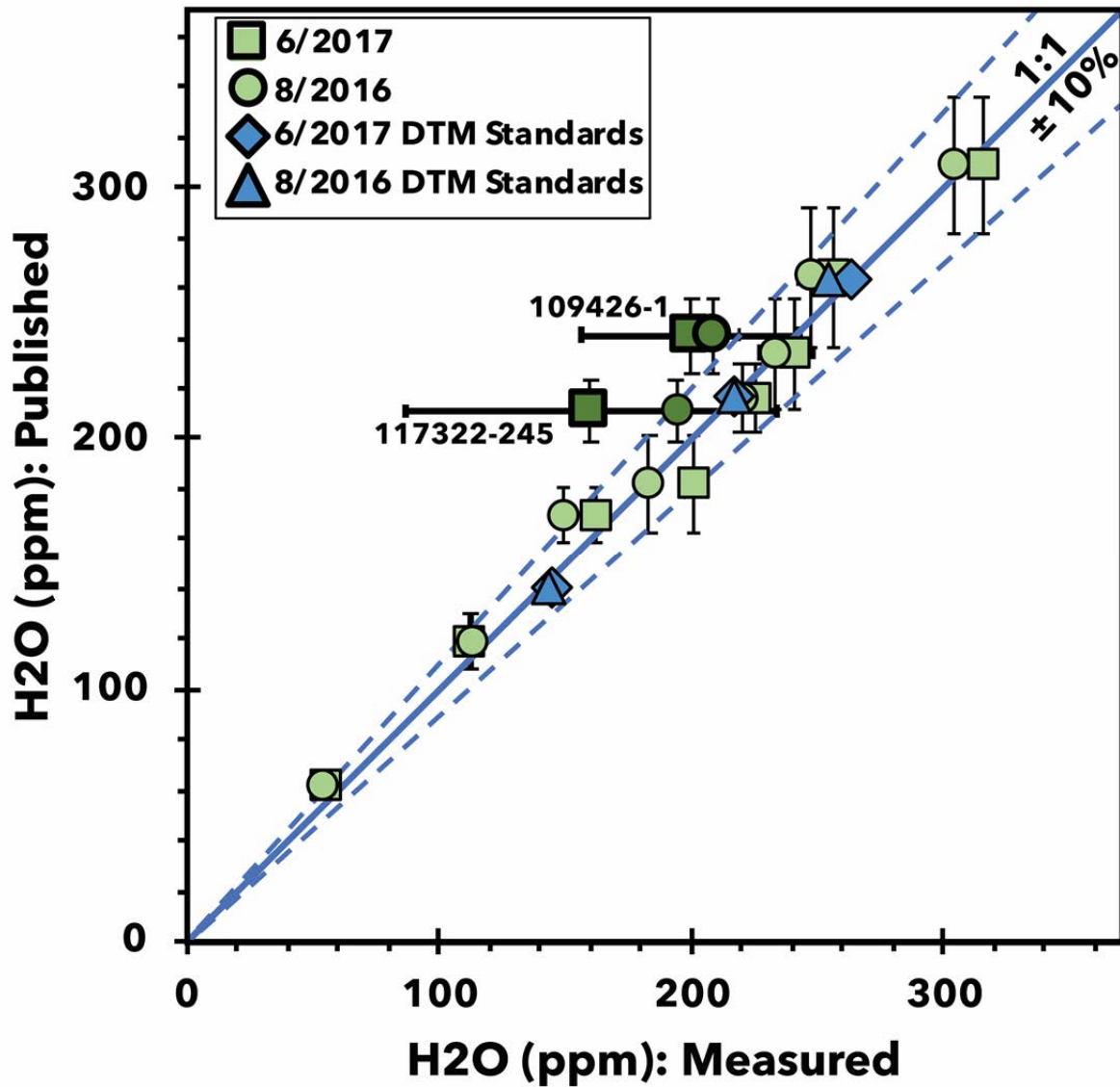
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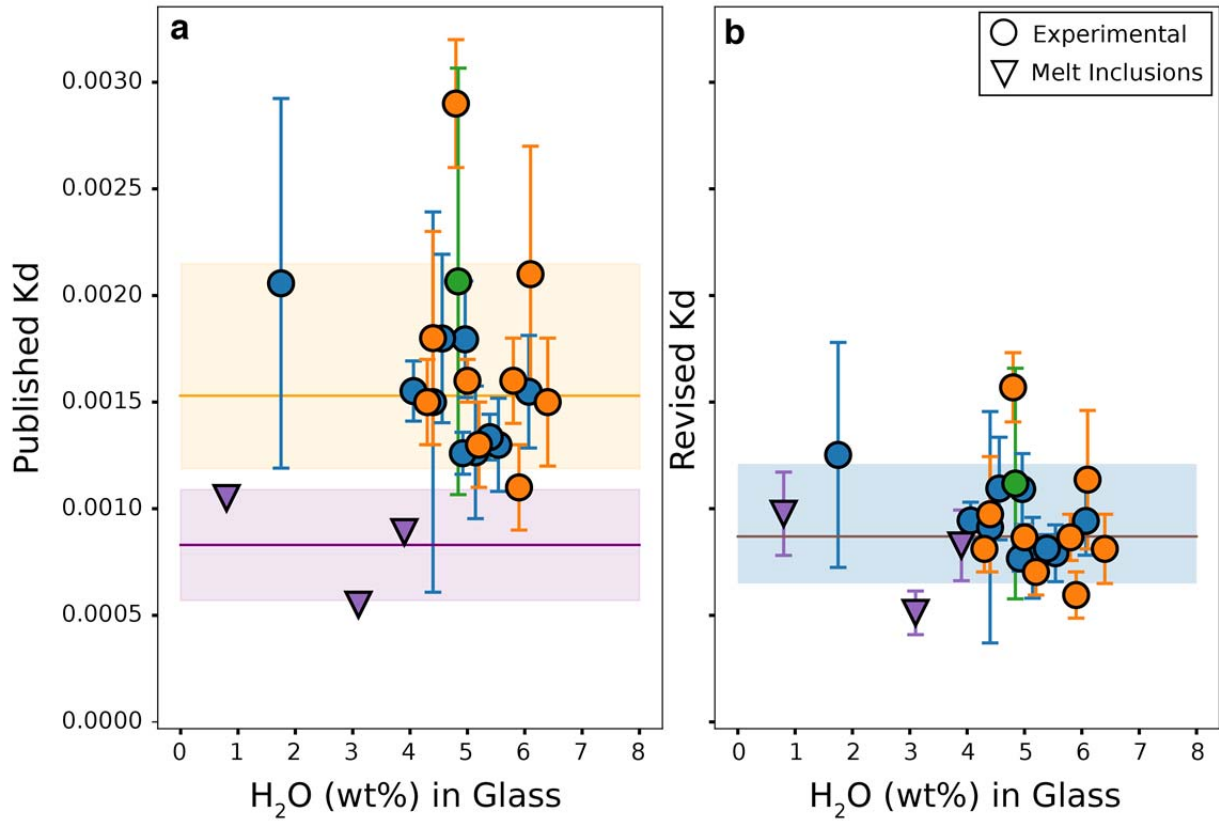
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