

Supplementary Material for:

Revisiting the electron microprobe method of spinel-olivine-orthopyroxene oxybarometry applied to spinel peridotites

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S1. Supplementary analytical methods

We analyzed major element compositions of minerals by WDS analysis by measuring K_{α} peaks of the following elements: SiO_2 , TiO_2 , Al_2O_3 , Cr_2O_3 , FeO^* (ΣFe calculated as FeO), MnO , MgO , CaO , Na_2O , and NiO with a 15 kV accelerating voltage and 40 nA beam current. We used the Armstrong/Love-Scott ZAF procedure for matrix correction (Armstrong 1988). For olivine and spinel, we used a focused beam ($\sim 1 \mu\text{m}$ dia.) and for orthopyroxene a $40 \times 48 \mu\text{m}$ raster. We chose primary standards (Table 1) compositionally similar to our unknowns (Jarosewich et al. 1980). We selected peak positions for each element at the beginning of each analytical session by performing a wavelength scan in the region of the peak. We performed the peaking operation using the same standard samples used for the primary standardization for each element (Table 1), except Ni, which we peaked on $\text{Fe}_{90}\text{Ni}_{10}$ alloy. We counted both peaks and backgrounds at each analytical point.

S2. Selection criteria for the correction and validation sets

From among the Wood spinels analyzed in sessions S1-S3, we selected IO5657, Vi314-5, IM8703, DB8803-3, BAR8601-10, MO4334-14, and KLB8320 to be the correction set. We chose these samples because they span the entire available range of oxidation states (Mössbauer $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe} = 0.058$ to 0.32) and compositions ($\text{Cr}\# = 0.04$ to 0.58 ; $\text{MgO} = 14.8$ to 21.4 wt.%), as shown in Fig. 2. Each of the correction set spinels have sample average uncorrected EPMA $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios within ± 0.02 of the Mössbauer $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios reported by the Wood group (Fig. 1). We checked for intergranular heterogeneity by calculating the difference between grain-average and sample-average $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios of each sample. All correction set grain-average $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios are within ± 0.03 of their sample averages, except IO5657 (± 0.04), which was selected for the correction set despite moderate intergranular heterogeneity because there is a relative dearth of samples with Mössbauer $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios < 0.10 .

We selected PS211, PS212, KLB8304, MBR8313, Vi314-58, OC231350 (Sessions A1-A4 only), and IO5650 (sessions B1-B4 only) for the validation set. The selection criteria for these samples were similar to those for the correction set but with wider tolerance for $\Delta\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}^{\text{Möss-EPMA}}$. Each of the validation set spinels have sample average uncorrected EPMA $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios within ± 0.035 of the Mössbauer $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios reported by the Wood group (Fig. 1). All validation set grain average $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios are within ± 0.03 of their sample averages, except OC231350 (± 0.05).

S3. V, Co, and Zn in peridotite-hosted spinels in the GEOROC database

We examined geochemical data for spinels contained in the GEOROC database by downloading the pre-compiled file SPINELS.csv (<http://georoc.mpch-mainz.gwdg.de/georoc/>, accessed 30 June 2016). We first filtered the dataset for only those samples with a “rock name” given as

peridotite, lherzolite, harzburgite, or dunite. 139 of these samples had both major and trace element data. A smaller subset of 42 had values for V, Co, and Zn. These 42 samples are plotted in Suppl. Fig. S1 to demonstrate correlations in the data. V is correlated with both Co ($r^2 = 0.54$) and Zn ($r^2 = 0.33$).

S4. Calculations to demonstrate the effect of the W&V89 correction on biased data sets

We demonstrate the effectiveness of the W&V89 correction in addressing different analytical biases by using simulated data to perturb the analysis of individual elements and then observing how the W&V89 correction responds. In Suppl. Fig. S2, we show idealized compositions of the correction set spinels and two example unknowns and the effects of biases in the analysis of Al and Mg. To generate the simulated data in Suppl. Fig. S2, we derived idealized compositions of the correction set spinels, validation set spinel Vi314-58, and spinel from BMRG08-98-2-2. We adjusted the average compositions of the correction set spinels and Vi314-58 determined in Sessions S1-S3 (Table 2) by changing the value of total Fe (FeO*) until the $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratio calculated from the stoichiometry matched the $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratio determined by Mössbauer (Suppl. Table S6). To plot Tonga spinel BMRG08-98-2-2 on Suppl. Fig. S2, we applied this same procedure to the average BMRG08-98-2-2 composition reported in Table 4, and treated the average $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratio determined in this study (Table 4) as its true $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratio.

To simulate analytical biases, we multiplied the element with the biased analysis in each sample by a bias factor. For example, to arrive at the compositions in Suppl. Fig. S2a, in which a 5% over-analysis of Al_2O_3 was simulated, we multiplied all Al_2O_3 concentrations by 1.05. This is approximately equivalent to a +5% error in the intensity ratio for Al. We then corrected the

spinel compositions in each of these simulations using the W&V89 method. All calculated compositions presented in Suppl. Fig. S2 are given in Suppl. Table S6.

Suppl. Fig. S2a and S2b show the effects of a 5% over-analysis of Al_2O_3 . The uncorrected EPMA $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios all fall well below the 1:1 line (Suppl. Fig. S2a). There is also increased scatter in the data because samples with higher Al_2O_3 concentrations are more severely affected by the analytical bias (shown by arrows). The W&V89 correction brings these data closer to agreement with the Mössbauer $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios (Suppl. Fig. S2b). This is not surprising because the correction directly involves Al_2O_3 . Suppl. Fig. S2c and S2d show the effects of a 5% under-analysis of MgO. Again, the uncorrected $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios are scattered and plot well below the 1:1 line (Suppl. Fig. S2c), and the correction results in $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios more closely in agreement with the Mössbauer ratios (Suppl. Fig. S2d). Although the offset in the uncorrected compositions is due only to bias in the MgO measurement, the W&V89 correction adjusts for this bias because spinel MgO concentrations correlate with Cr# (Fig. 8).

The W&V89 correction is less effective for a spinel that does not plot on the MgO-Cr# trend. The spinel in Tonga sample BMRG08-98-2-2 plots well off the Cr#-MgO trend of the correction set spinels (Fig. 8). Suppl. Fig. S2a shows that bias in the measurement of Al_2O_3 leads to only a small change in the $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratio of BMRG08-98-2-2 because it has a relatively low Al_2O_3 concentration. The correction, appropriately, makes only a small adjustment to its $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratio (Suppl. Fig. S2b). When the MgO analysis is biased, there is again only a small change in the $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratio of BMRG08-98-2-2 because it also has relatively low MgO (Suppl. Fig. S2c). Under these conditions, the W&V89 correction overcorrects for the bias because BMRG08-98-2-2 has much lower MgO at a given Cr# than do the correction set spinels (Fig. 8). Hence, corrected BMRG08-98-2-2 plots nearly as far above the 1:1 line after correction (+0.019) as it

did below the line before correction (-0.025). Although a difference from its true $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratio of 0.019 may seem small in an absolute sense, it is nearly twice that expected for such an Fe-rich sample ($\text{FeOT} = 22.9 \text{ wt.}\%$) as calculated from Eq. 3 ($1\sigma_3 = 0.010$). We would expect a less Fe-rich or more Mg-rich spinel to see even larger deviations from its true $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratio when subjected to a similar bias in MgO.

Consistent with our data simulations, repeated analyses of BMRG08-98-2-2 spinel show equivalent intersession variability in the $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratio (represented by the magnitude of 1σ) for uncorrected and corrected $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios. We contrast this with our results for all validation set spinels and Hawaiian spinels, where 1σ is less for corrected $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios compared to uncorrected ratios (Table 4). The practical implication is that analyses of spinels that do not plot on the same compositional trend as the Wood spinels may be subject to diminished precision; however, we are not currently able to quantify this effect.

S5. The calculation of magnetite activity in spinel ($a_{\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4}^{\text{spl}}$)

Several parameterizations are available to calculate magnetite activity in spinel, $a_{\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4}^{\text{spl}}$ (O'Neill and Wall 1987; Mattioli and Wood 1988; Nell and Wood 1991; Sack and Ghiorso 1991a, 1991b). In an experimental test of the oxybarometer (eq. 4), Wood (1990) explored the consequences of applying several of the spinel activity models that were available. He found that the model of Mattioli and Wood (1988) resulted in differences between calculated and experimental f_{O_2} (Δf_{O_2}) that varied systematically with the Cr# of spinel. The models of O'Neill and Wall (1987) and Nell and Wood (1991) both lacked any compositional dependence to Δf_{O_2} , but both resulted in systematically lower calculated f_{O_2} than the known f_{O_2} of the experimental gas mixture. Wood (1990) recommended the use of the Nell-Wood activity model because it

112 gave the smallest offset of $\Delta f_{O_2} = -0.35$ log units. Herd (2008) recalculated f_{O_2} in the
 113 experiments of Wood (1990) by applying $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ calculated using the MELTS Supplemental
 114 Calculator (Sack and Ghiorso 1991a, 1991b; [http://melts.ofm-](http://melts.ofm-research.org/CalcForms/index.html)
 115 [research.org/CalcForms/index.html](http://melts.ofm-research.org/CalcForms/index.html)). He found that the offset between calculated and
 116 experimental f_{O_2} decreased to $\Delta f_{O_2} = -0.07$ log units when using this parameterization of $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$.
 117 We adopt the MELTS Supplemental Calculator for calculating $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$, with an important change
 118 to the conversion of oxide compositions to spinel components. The MELTS Supplemental
 119 Calculator requires input of spinel end-member components: chromite – $FeCr_2O_4$, hercynite –
 120 $FeAl_2O_4$, magnetite – Fe_3O_4 , spinel – $MgAl_2O_4$, and ulvöspinel – $TiFe_2O_4$. The website allows
 121 the user to enter spinel compositions as weight percent oxides, and the calculator will output the
 122 spinel end-member compositions. That calculation proceeds by first recalculating the Fe^{3+}/Fe^{2+}
 123 ratio based on stoichiometry, then assigning Mg to spinel, Cr to chromite, Ti to ulvöspinel, Fe^{3+}
 124 to magnetite and the remaining Fe to hercynite. This procedure eliminates any information about
 125 $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ ratio provided by application of the W&V89 correction, effectively reproducing the
 126 stoichiometric calculation but with less information. This method also systematically
 127 underestimates the magnetite component because minor divalent cations that are present in spinel
 128 (i.e., Mn and Ni) are left out of the calculation, while all common trivalent cations are
 129 represented. Instead, we calculated spinel components in a separate spreadsheet using
 130 Fe^{3+}/Fe^{2+} ratios determined from our analysis and correction. We assigned cations to spinel
 131 components following the same method described above and then normalized the sum of
 132 components to one. This method preserves the $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ ratio and Mg# of the original
 133 microprobe analysis, while increasing Cr# by only 1-3% relative to the original analysis. We

recalculated $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ in the experiments of Wood (1990) following this method, and found that the resulting average difference between calculated and experimental f_{O_2} is diminished to $\Delta f_{O_2} = -0.03$ log units. Although this is a small change from the result reported by Herd (2008), this represents the closest fit between calculated and experimental f_{O_2} of any method. As discussed below, and by Wood and Virgo (1989), uncertainty in $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ is the greatest contributor to uncertainty in the calculation of f_{O_2} .

S6. Uncertainty in the f_{O_2} calculation due to precision in the analysis of olivine and orthopyroxene and the estimation of pressure and temperature of equilibration

We isolate the effect of each variable by using the average mineral compositions of our analyses of Hawaiian xenolith sample 114923-57 (Tables 3 and 4) as a baseline and changing the value of each compositional variable over a range relevant to natural peridotites (i.e., $Mg\#^{ol} = 0.85$ to 0.95, $(X_{Fe}^{M1} \cdot X_{Fe}^{M2})^{opx} = 0.002$ -0.025, $\log a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl} = -3.4$ to -1.2).

We estimate the precision of our measurement of $Mg\#^{ol}$ from repeated analysis of the Springwater Meteorite olivine standard (Jarosewich et al. 1980), used as a secondary standard over four analytical sessions ($n=42$ measurements, Suppl. Table S7). This set of analyses has an average $Mg\#^{ol} = 0.8251 \pm 0.0014$ (1σ), which is within error of the published value of 0.824 (Jarosewich et al. 1980). Suppl. Fig. S3a shows that relative f_{O_2} increases with $Mg\#^{ol}$. Given our stated precision for $Mg\#^{ol}$ of ± 0.0014 , the uncertainty in relative f_{O_2} contributed by the olivine analysis varies from ± 0.04 log units at $Mg\#^{ol}=0.85$ to ± 0.14 log units at $Mg\#^{ol}=0.95$. This uncertainty can be approximated by a third-order polynomial:

$$1\sigma_{S1} = 103.59x^3 - 270.14x^2 + 235.24x - 68.353 \quad (S1)$$

where $1\sigma_{S1}$ describes the magnitude of two standard deviations in the uncertainty on the calculation of $\log f_{O_2}$ contributed by the olivine analysis, and x is $Mg\#^{ol}$.

We estimate the precision of our measurement of $(X_{Fe}^{M1} \cdot X_{Fe}^{M2})^{opx}$ from repeated analysis of the Johnstown Meteorite hypersthene standard (Jarosewich et al. 1980), also used as a secondary standard over four analytical sessions ($n = 42$ measurements, Suppl. Table S8). This set of analyses has an average $(X_{Fe}^{M1} \cdot X_{Fe}^{M2})^{opx} = 0.0518 \pm 0.0017$ (1σ), compared to 0.052 calculated from the published composition (Jarosewich et al. 1980). Because $(X_{Fe}^{M1} \cdot X_{Fe}^{M2})^{opx}$ is directly tied to the measurement of FeO^* (ΣFe calculated as FeO) in the pyroxene, we expect that precision should scale roughly to the concentration of FeO^* . We assume then that 1σ for our $(X_{Fe}^{M1} \cdot X_{Fe}^{M2})^{opx}$ measurements of unknown orthopyroxene is 7% relative. The effect of orthopyroxene composition on relative f_{O_2} (Suppl. Fig. S3b) is to increase relative f_{O_2} with increasing orthopyroxene Fe concentration (opposite to the effect of olivine composition). The uncertainty on relative f_{O_2} due to the orthopyroxene analysis is ± 0.04 log units.

The covariation of olivine and orthopyroxene Mg/Fe ratios in peridotites will dampen the competing compositional effects of olivine and orthopyroxene on calculated f_{O_2} . Suppl. Fig. S3c shows the relationship between relative f_{O_2} when olivine and orthopyroxene compositions covary but other variables are held constant. In this simplified calculation, $X_{Fe}^{M1,opx} = X_{Fe}^{M2,opx} = (1 - Mg\#^{ol})$. The result is that calculated f_{O_2} increases with $Mg\#^{ol}$, but the effect is muted compared to the effect of holding orthopyroxene composition constant while changing $Mg\#^{ol}$. Although compositional covariance limits the leverage of the silicate phases on the calculation of f_{O_2} , uncertainty in the olivine and orthopyroxene analyses still contribute additively to uncertainty on the f_{O_2} calculation if the two silicates are analyzed in separate analytical sessions.

177 We calculate $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ using the MELTS Supplemental Calculator (Sack and Ghiorso 1991a,
 178 1991b, <http://melts.ofm-research.org/CalcForms/index.html>). Because this is a complex
 179 calculation, we cannot easily propagate our uncertainty in spinel $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ ratio through the
 180 calculation of $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$. Instead, we have determined an empirical relationship between spinel
 181 $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ ratio and $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ calculated using the MELTS Supplemental Calculator.

182 To learn how calculated $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ varies with spinel $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ ratio, we calculated series of
 183 hypothetical spinel compositions based on three natural spinel compositions from this study
 184 (114885-3, 114923-41, and BMRG08-98-2-2; Table 4) at two different temperatures (740 °C,
 185 1150 °C). These spinels differ in major element compositions (114885-3: Cr# = 0.424; 114923-
 186 41: Cr# = 0.122; BMRG08-98-2-2: Cr# = 0.676). For each of these spinel compositions, we
 187 calculated a series of similar spinel compositions with a constant Cr# and a range of $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$
 188 ratios from 0 to 0.40. We achieved this by setting the molar proportion of the magnetite
 189 component to a specified value, starting at 0 and increasing in increments of 0.002, and holding
 190 the ratios of the other spinel components constant with respect to one another. The calculated
 191 spinel compositions retain the Cr# of the base spinel composition (either 114885-3, 114923-41,
 192 or BMRG08-98-2-2, Table 4). The Mg# ($Mg/(Mg+Fe^{2+})$) in the calculated spinel compositions
 193 varies; although, it is over a small range (calculations based on 114885-3 have Mg# from 0.65-
 194 0.68; 114923-41 Mg# from 0.80-0.82; BMRG08-98-2-2 Mg# from 0.43-0.46). We calculated
 195 $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ for each of these model compositions using the MELTS Supplemental Calculator. For
 196 each composition and temperature, the resulting range of $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ can be related to the spinel
 197 $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ ratio by a function with the form:

$$\log(a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}) = \ln(Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe)^{spl} + C \quad (S2)$$

where $(Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe)^{spl}$ is the spinel $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ ratio and C is a constant. The calculated $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ series and fits are presented in Suppl. Fig. S4. Functions of the form given in Eq. S1 have values of $R^2 = 1 - (\Sigma(y - y_{model})^2 / \Sigma(y - y_{mean})^2)$ between 0.986 and 0.997.

If a function with the form of Eq. S2 can be found to fit any combination of spinel composition and temperature, then we can describe a general expression to estimate uncertainty in $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ resulting from uncertainty in the measurement of the $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ ratio. The difference between $\log(a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl})$ of a measured spinel composition and the value at one standard deviation in the $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ ratio (σ_3 in the main text) is given by:

$$\Delta \log(a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}) = \ln\left(\frac{Fe^{3+}}{\Sigma Fe} \pm \sigma_3\right) + C - \ln\left(\frac{Fe^{3+}}{\Sigma Fe}\right) - C \quad (S3)$$

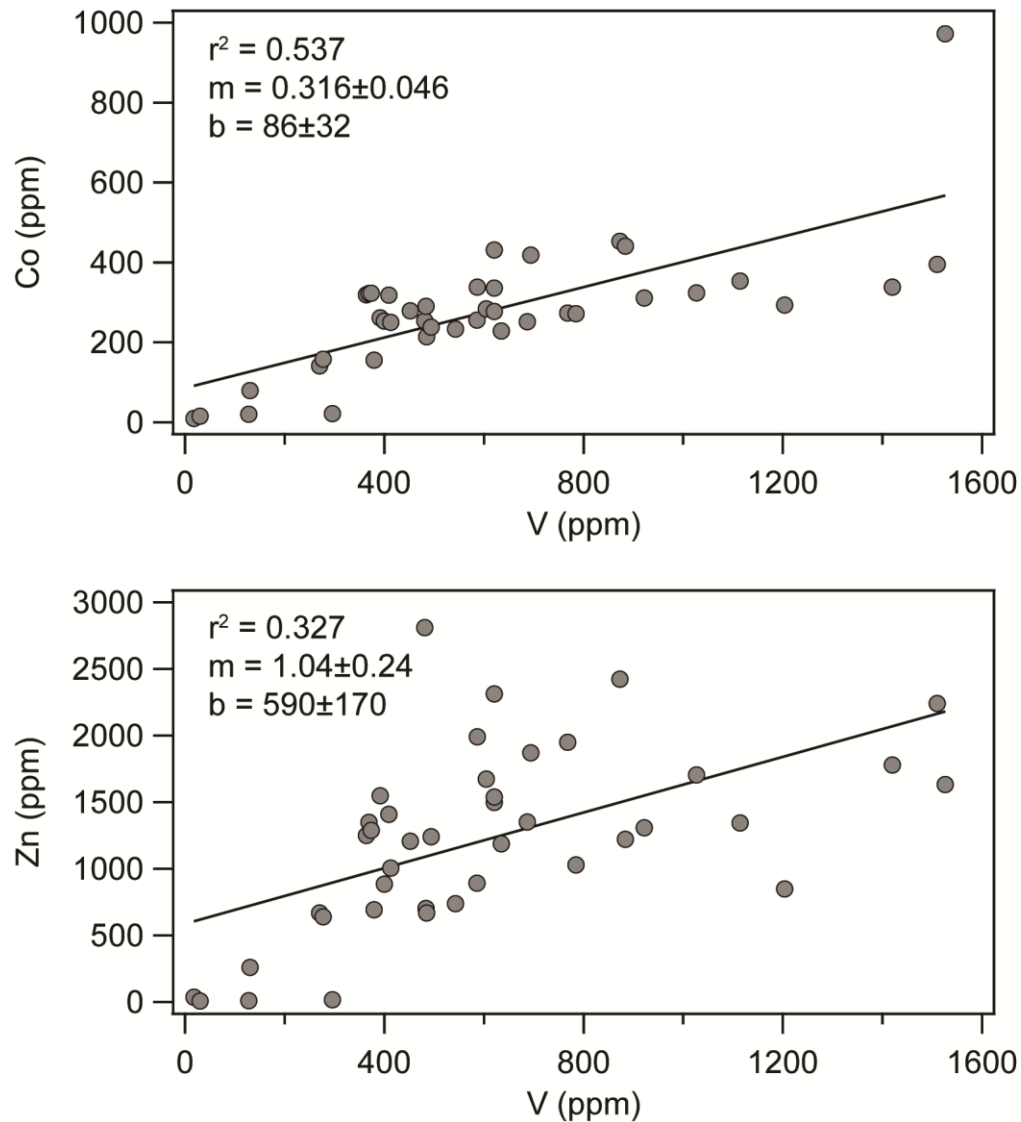
The constant, C , drops out, so that as long as a function of the form of Eq. S1 exists, we do not need to determine the value of the constant. Eq. S3 then reduces to:

$$\Delta \log(a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}) = \ln\left(1 \pm \frac{\sigma_3}{Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe}\right) \quad (S4)$$

which can be used to estimate positive and negative uncertainty in $\log(a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl})$.

The effects of temperature uncertainty on calculated f_{O_2} are shown in Suppl. Fig. S5, again using Hawaiian xenolith 114923-57 as a base composition. Increasing temperature leads to a decrease in calculated f_{O_2} (Suppl. Fig. S5a). Suppl. Fig. S5b shows how f_{O_2} of a different peridotite sample, 114923-41, with lower Cr# is affected by changes in temperature over the same temperature range. Decreasing Cr# increases the T-dependency of $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ such that the overall T-

217 f_{O_2} relationship is magnified, and the uncertainty in f_{O_2} associated with temperature increases. If
 218 we break the temperature dependence into its component parts, we see that the contribution of
 219 temperature to Eq. 4 (main text) actually acts to increase calculated f_{O_2} as temperature increases
 220 (Suppl. Fig S5c), and the overall effect of decreasing f_{O_2} with increasing temperature is caused
 221 by the strong temperature-dependence of $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$.



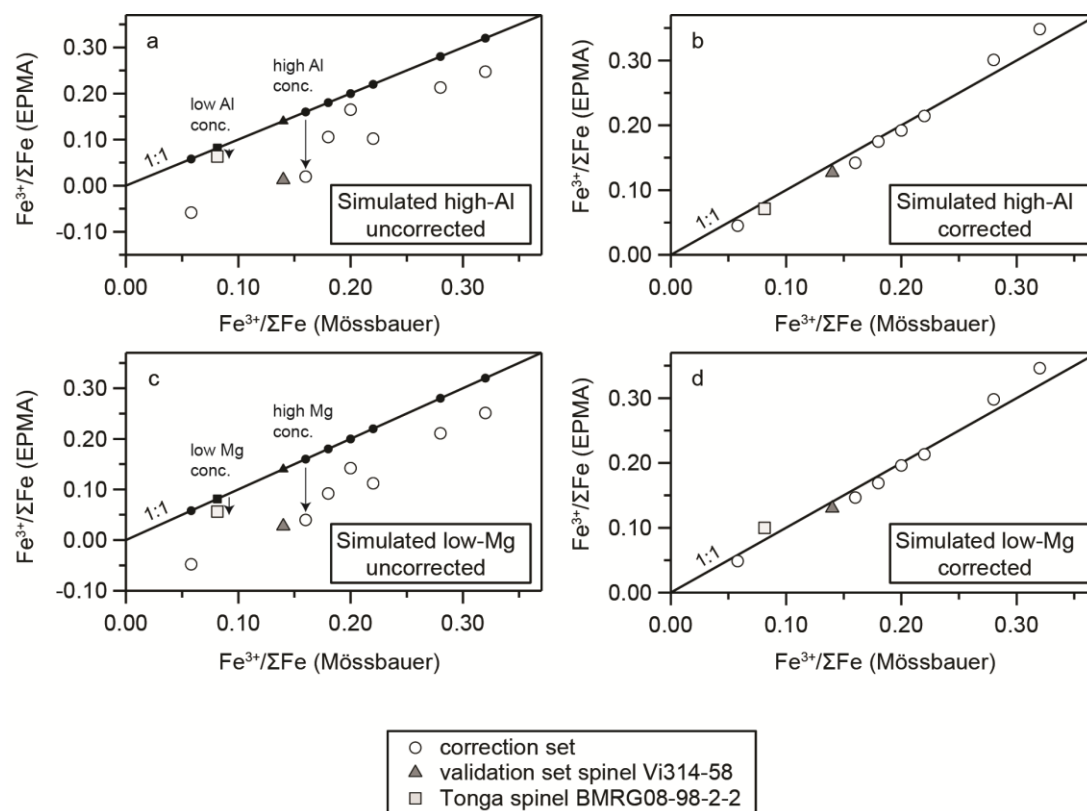
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223 **Supplementary Figure S1. Concentrations of V, Co, and Zn in peridotite-hosted spinels**

224 **from GEOROC database.** Data are originally from Jan and Howie (1981), Norman (1998),

225 Glaser et al. (1999), Karmalkar et al. (2000), van Achterbergh et al. (2001), Zheng et al. (2001),

226 Rehfeldt et al. (2007), Bascou et al. (2008), Harvey et al. (2012), Lu et al. (2013).



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228 **Supplementary Figure S2: Simulated EPMA data to demonstrate correction of analytical**

229 **bias in Al_2O_3 and MgO.** Small black symbols (a, c) show idealized compositions of the

230 correction set spinels, validation set spinel Vi314-58, and Tonga spinel BMRG08-98-2-2. An

231 analytical session in which the Al_2O_3 measurement is biased by +5% leads to underestimation of

232 $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios by EPMA (a); samples with higher Al_2O_3 concentration are more strongly

233 affected by bias. The W&V89 correction improves agreement between EPMA measurements

234 and true $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios when Al_2O_3 is biased (b). An analytical session in which the MgO

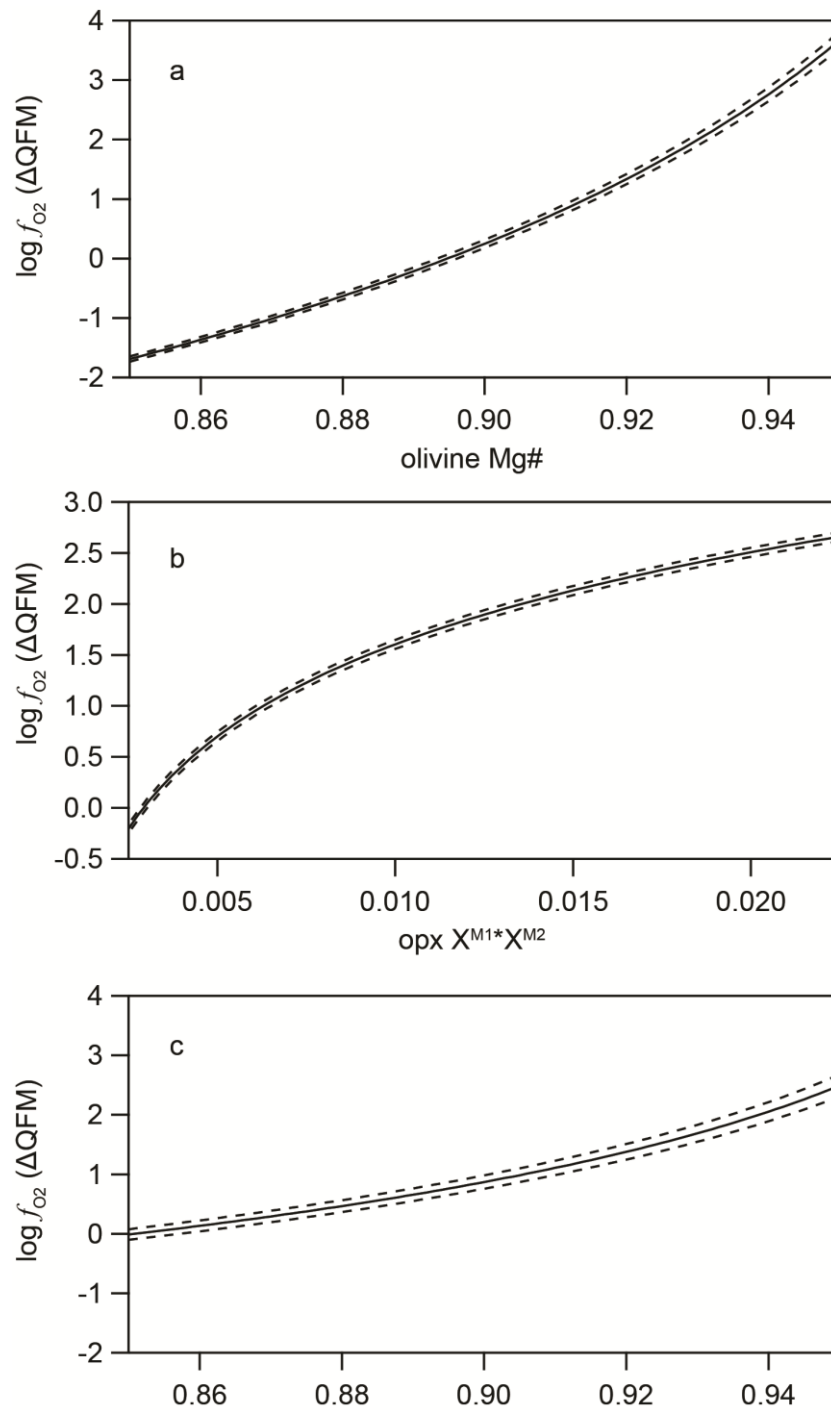
235 measurement is biased by -5% also leads to underestimation of $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios by EPMA (c).

236 Although it uses only Cr# and $\Delta\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}^{\text{Möss-EPMA}}$, the W&V89 correction still improves

237 agreement between EPMA measurements and true $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ ratios when MgO is biased (d).

238 Tonga sample BMRG08-98-2-2 is over-corrected by the W&V89 method when MgO is biased

239 because it plots off of the Cr#-MgO trend defined by the correction set spinels (Fig. 8).

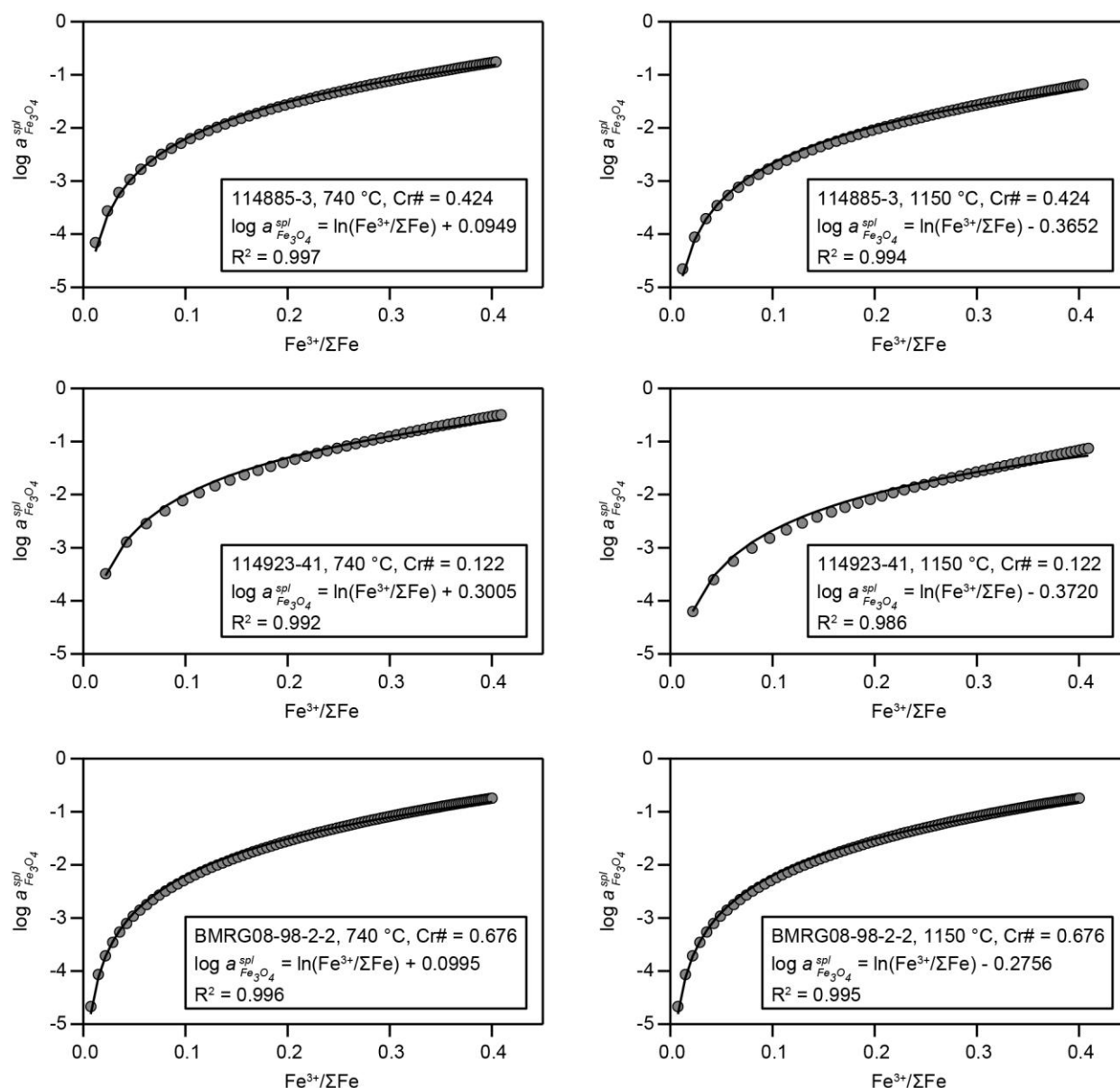


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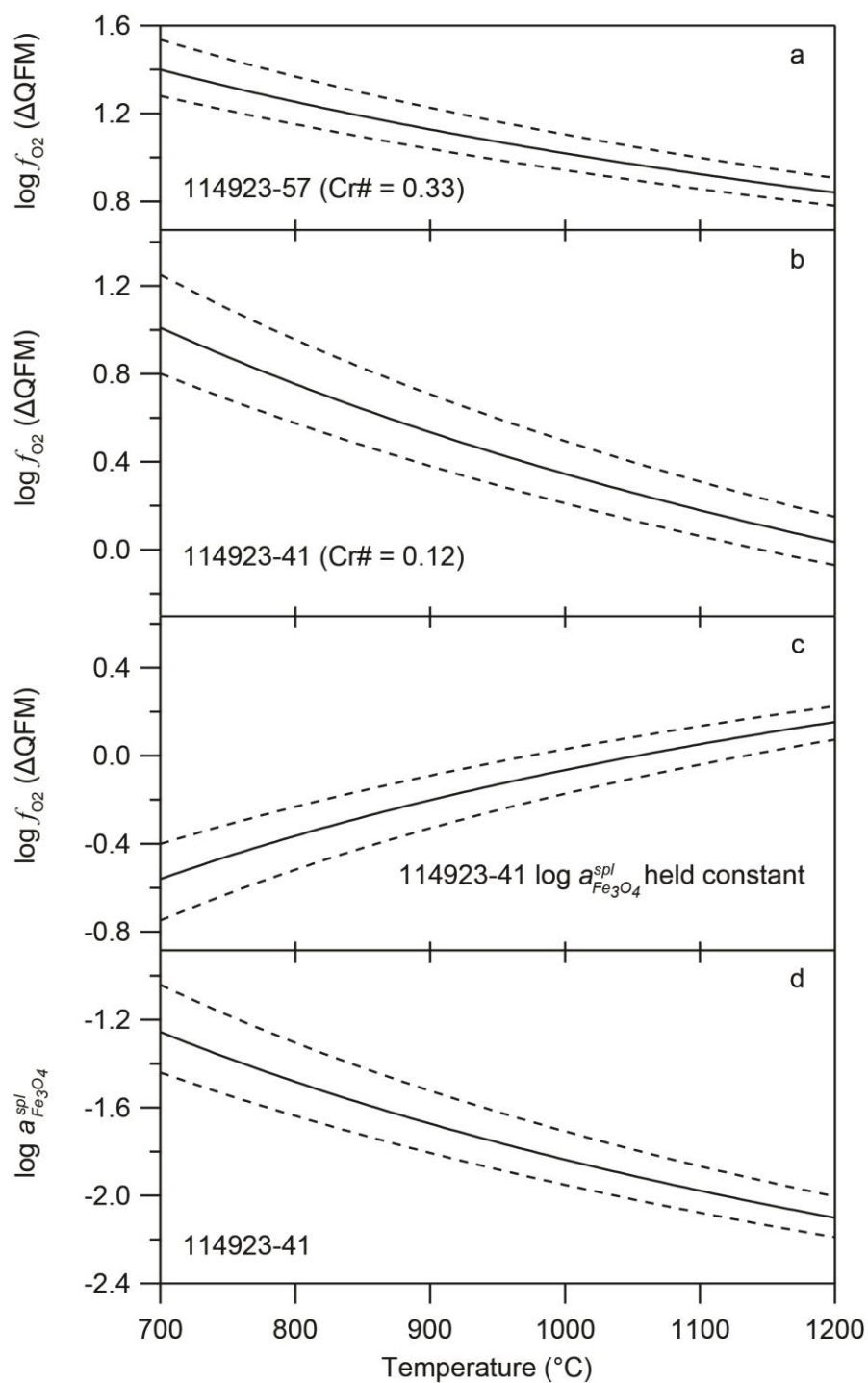
241 **Supplementary Figure S3: Effects of olivine forsterite content and orthopyroxene Fe site**
 242 **occupancy on the calculation of relative f_{O_2} .** Calculated $\log f_{O_2}$ relative to the quartz-fayalite-
 243 magnetite buffer (ΔQFM , Frost 1991 calibration) using all input parameters from sample

244 114923-57 at 1038 °C and 1.5 GPa and varying the Mg# of coexisting olivine between 0.85 and
 245 0.95 (a). The dashed lines show $\pm 1\sigma$ error on the EMP measurement. This uncertainty can be
 246 approximated using the polynomial expression in Eq. S1. Calculated $\log f_{O_2}$ (ΔQFM) after
 247 varying the value of $(X_{Fe}^{M1} \cdot X_{Fe}^{M2})^{opx}$ and holding $Mg\#^{ol}$ constant (b). The uncertainty
 248 contributed by the orthopyroxene analysis is ± 0.04 log units. Calculated f_{O_2} over the same range
 249 of olivine composition while allowing for covariation of olivine and orthopyroxene compositions
 250 (c). For this calculation, $X_{Fe}^{M1,opx} = X_{Fe}^{M2,opx} = (1 - Mg\#^{ol})$.

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 253 **Supplementary Figure S4. Relationship between spinel $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ ratio and $a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ calculated**
 254 **using the MELTS Supplemental Calculator.** Circles show the calculated spinel compositions
 255 based on Hawaiian spinel samples 114885-3 and 114923-41 and Tonga sample BMRG08-98-2-
 256 2. The black curves are fits of the functional form given by Eq. S2. We describe in the text
 257 above the method for calculating spinel compositions with variable $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$ ratios but leaving
 258 other compositional ratios nearly constant. R^2 is the coefficient of determination, calculated as
 259 described above.



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261 **Supplementary Figure S5: Effect of temperature on the calculation of relative f_{O_2} .**

262 Calculated $\log f_{O_2} (\Delta QFM)$ as in Suppl. Fig. S3 but varying the temperature rather than any

263 compositional variable (a). Dashed lines show uncertainty in temperature of ± 80 °C.

264 Temperature effect calculated using the compositional data from sample 114923-41 (b), which
 265 has lower Cr# spinel (0.12) than 114923-57 (Cr#=0.33). This demonstrates the increased
 266 temperature-sensitivity of the relative f_{O_2} calculation at lower Cr#, which leads to a larger
 267 temperature-derived uncertainty. The effect of varying temperature on the calculation of relative
 268 f_{O_2} for sample 114923-41 with $\log a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ held constant at -2.04 (c). Variation in $\log a_{Fe_3O_4}^{spl}$ for
 269 sample 114923-41 owing to changes in estimated temperature of equilibration (d).

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