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3 **Magmatic graphite inclusions in Mn-Fe-rich fluorapatite of perphosphorus granites (the**
4 **Belvís pluton, Variscan Iberian Belt)**

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14 **Abstract**

15 Three Mn-Fe-rich fluorapatite types have been found in the highly evolved peraluminous and
16 perphosphorous granites of the Belvís pluton. One of these apatite types includes abundant
17 graphite microinclusions, suggestive of a magmatic origin for the graphite. The Belvís pluton is
18 a reversely zoned massif composed by four highly fractionated granite units, showing a varied
19 accessory phosphate phases: U-rich monazite, U-rich xenotime, U-rich fluorapatite and late
20 eosphorite-childrenite. The strong peraluminous character of the granites determines an earlier
21 monazite and xenotime crystallization, so the three types of fluorapatite records late stages of
22 phosphate crystallization. The earlier type 1 apatite is mostly euhedral, small and clear; type 2
23 apatite is dusty, large (< 2800 µm) and mostly anhedral, with strong interlobates interfaces with

24 the main granite minerals, more abundant in the less fractionated units and absent in the most
25 evolved unit; type 3 is subeuhedral to anhedral, shows feathery aggregate texture, and only
26 appears in the most evolved unit. Apatite composition was acquired by electron microprobe
27 analyses, laser ablation inductively coupled plasma-mass spectrometry and electron energy loss
28 spectroscopy. Type 1 and type 2 apatite display similar broad compositional ranges showing
29 high MnO (up to 4.30 wt%) and FeO (up to 2.88 wt%) contents, without traces of carbon in
30 apatite structure. Type 2 differs from type 1 by having slightly higher LREE and Sr contents.
31 REE spectra also differ, with type 1 displaying both variable LREE slope and negative Eu
32 anomaly, whereas type 2 shows constant LREE slope and higher negative Eu anomaly,
33 although both display similar HREE slope. Type 3 apatite displays higher FeO contents (up to
34 5.09 wt%), positively correlated with higher Cl-Na-Li-Be-B-Zn contents and extremely low Y-
35 REE contents when compared to the other apatite types. Cation substitution indicates that part
36 of the Fe content is as Fe³⁺. Graphite has been found exclusively as abundant microinclusions
37 in type 2 apatite, parallel or randomly distributed, and heterogeneously grouped in clusters
38 within the crystals. High resolution electronic images show that graphite occurs with unusual
39 habits: filaments of stacked hexagonal flakes up to 15 μm length and up to 0.5 μm width.
40 Textural and chemical features suggest a highly crystallized melt which favor
41 compartmentalizing in compositional microdomains where the apatite types would have
42 crystallized. The cocrystallization of type 2 apatite and graphite suggests a C-F-P-rich melt,
43 sufficiently saturated to acquire an immiscible character with the highly evolved silicate melt
44 in late-magmatic stages. As type 2 differs from type 1 apatite by higher LREE and Sr contents,
45 we interpret that fluxing components were favorably concentrated in those residual less-
46 depleted LREE-Sr fraction melts, once monazite and zircon (and xenotime) would have
47 crystallized. Type 3 apatite records a change in the ultimate melt stage: an increase of the

48 oxygen fugacity coupled with high undercooling by volatile loss of highly fractionated residual
49 Cl-rich melts. The presence of biogenic carbon in granite peraluminous melts derived from
50 metasedimentary sources and its later crystallization as graphite filaments open a discussion on
51 the carbon behavior during magma evolution, especially in highly polymerized melt
52 framework.

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54 Key words: Mn-Fe-rich fluorapatite, graphite, granite, melt immiscibility, carbon isotope,
55 perphosphorous, peraluminous

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Introduction

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59 Apatite, $\text{Ca}_5(\text{PO}_4)_3(\text{Cl,OH,F})$, is a common accessory mineral within almost all igneous
60 rocks. It shows a large compositional spectrum due to its favorable lattice for substitutions at
61 different physicochemical conditions. These two characteristics make apatite a valuable tool
62 for constraining magma evolution and thus many studies have related the apatite chemistry to
63 different magmatic environments (e.g., Zhang et al. 1985; Sha and Chappel 1999; Belousova et
64 al. 2002; Piccoli and Candela 2002; Hoshino et al. 2007; Buda and Pál-Molnár 2012; Marks et
65 al. 2012; Mao et al. 2016) This is especially suitable for felsic peraluminous magmas, in which
66 the high apatite solubility delays its crystallization (e.g., Wolf and London 1994). In this sense,
67 some studies (e.g., Miles et al. 2013) point out the apatite as a suitable accessory mineral to
68 record the late-stage magmatic crystallization history. Other phosphates (e.g., monazite,
69 xenotime) would have crystallized early, impoverishing residual magma mainly in REE (Wolf
70 and London 1995) but favoring that volatile, fluxing components (e.g., C, F, Li) and others
71 elements (e.g., Mn, Fe) may enter in later apatite.

72 Graphite may occur in many rock types, although published accounts of graphite in
73 granitoids or high-silica volcanic rocks are rare. In these rocks graphite has been found in tiny
74 amounts in different textural forms: as a solid phase within fluid inclusions (Frezzotti et al.
75 1994; Jaszczak and Trinchillo 2013), as small-size crystals interstitial to the main rock-forming
76 minerals (Duke and Rumble 1986; Zeck 1992; Kanaris-Sotiriou 1997; Seifert et al. 2010) or
77 hosted in these (Broska et al. 1992; Seifert et al. 2010), and as graphite spherulites interstitial
78 or hosted in rock-forming minerals (Göd, 1989; Doroshkevich et al. 2007). Different origins
79 have been invoked for graphite in igneous rocks: i) precipitation from C-bearing fluids
80 (Winchel 1911; Alfonso et al. 1995; Luque et al. 1998 and references therein; Long et al.
81 2013); ii) xenocrystic material, i.e., residual phase inherited from carbonaceous pelitic source
82 rocks (e.g., Broska et al. 1992 and references therein; Kanaris-Sotiriou 1994; Seifert et al.
83 2010) or assimilated from metasedimentary wall-rocks; iii) metasomatic process involving C-
84 bearing aqueous fluid phases (e.g., Weiss et al. 1981) which may precipitate onto restitic
85 graphite (Duke and Rumble 1986); iv) in carbonatite rocks, breakdown of Fe carbonate with
86 reduction of the carbonate ion (e.g., Rosenberg 1963; Gellantli 1966), or v) precipitation from
87 carbonatite magmas (Doroshkevich et al. 2007). In granitic rocks of peraluminous character (S-
88 type granites), the graphite occurrence is frequently associated to apatite, occurring as solid
89 microinclusions (e.g., “dusky apatite” of Broska et al. 1992, and references therein;
90 Gottesmann and Wirth 1997; Seifert et al. 2010), or as a solid phase in fluid inclusions (e.g.,
91 Jaszczak and Trinchillo 2013; Long et al. 2013).

92 In this study we characterize fluorapatite in the peraluminous and perphosphorous granites
93 from the Variscan Belvís pluton, as part of an ongoing study of its accessory minerals. On the
94 basis of textural, major and trace chemical composition, determined by electron-microprobe
95 (EMP), and laser ablation multicollector inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (LA-

96 ICP-MS), we have characterized three types of magmatic apatite. We also describe a new
97 occurrence of graphite in granitoid rocks, as abundant needle-like inclusions hosted in
98 magmatic fluorapatite. The characteristics of graphite-bearing apatite compared to the other
99 apatite types provide constrains to the origin of this uncommon magmatic graphite occurrence.

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Geological setting

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103 The Variscan orogeny generated large granitic batholiths in the inner parts of the Iberian
104 Peninsula (the Central Iberian Zone, CIZ), in an age range from 315 to 295 Ma (Appendix¹
105 Fig. 1a), which encompasses a significant volume of fractionated plutons (e.g., Villaseca et al.
106 1998; Orejana et al. 2012; Merino Martínez et al. 2014). The contrasted nature of country rocks
107 as source lithotypes (metasedimentary and metaigneous rocks) would explain two different
108 batholithic lineaments in this area: the Spanish Central System (SCS) and the Montes de Toledo
109 (MT) batholiths, this last in the southern part of the CIZ (Appendix¹ Fig. 1a) (Villaseca et al.
110 2014). The dominant peraluminous and perphosphorous granitoids of the MT batholith were
111 probably generated from pelitic sources similar to those of the surrounding country rocks, the
112 Schist Greywacke Complex (Villaseca et al. 2008; Merino Martínez et al. 2014), providing a S-
113 type character. The most fractionated and perphosphorous granites of the MT batholith outcrop
114 in the westernmost sector (Villaseca et al. 2008) and, among these, the Belvís pluton stands
115 out. The ca. 3.5 km² Belvís pluton is reversely zoned with four biotite and/or muscovite granite
116 units (G1 to G4) showing a foliated fabric (Appendix¹, Fig. 2c and 2d) broadly parallel to the
117 outer contact with the low-grade metasedimentary rocks (Appendix¹ Fig. 1b; Appendix¹ Figs.
118 2c and 2d). A km-size contact aureole of high grade is developed in the country rock (Merino
119 et al. 2013), along with a secondary schistosity concordant with the plutonic shape, suggesting

120 a dome intrusion (Pérez-Soba et al. 2014). The presence of xenoliths for the whole pluton is
121 very rare.

122 Quartz, K-feldspar, plagioclase, biotite, muscovite and accessory but widespread sillimanite
123 (mainly hosted in most of the magmatic minerals) are the rock-forming minerals in the Belvís
124 granites. Phosphates are common accessory minerals in these granites, including monazite,
125 xenotime, fluorapatite and childrenite-eosphorite. The high U content of monazite, xenotime
126 and zircon and a complex accessory mineral association of gahnite, chrysoberyl and beryl in
127 the Belvís leucogranites have been remarked in previous studies (Orejana et al. 2012; Merino
128 et al. 2013; Pérez-Soba et al. 2014)

129 The chemical composition of the Belvís granites is characterized by their strong
130 peraluminous character ($ASI = 1.26 - 1.32$), along with high P_2O_5 (up to 0.85 wt%), low CaO
131 (0.26 - 0.56 wt%) and high U (6.8 - 13.5 ppm) contents (Villaseca et al. 2008; Merino et al.
132 2013). The inner units (G3 and G4) display higher FeO, MgO, K_2O , TiO_2 , Ba, Zr, Hf, Th, Pb,
133 Y and rare earth elements (REE) contents when compared to the outermost granites (G1 and
134 G2 units), which in turn have higher P_2O_5 , Na_2O , Rb, Sr, U, Nb, Ta, F and Li contents (Merino
135 et al. 2013; Pérez-Soba et al. 2014). Zircon from the Belvís pluton gave an accurate
136 emplacement age of 310 ± 4 Ma (Merino Martínez et al. 2014), defining a late-to-post Variscan
137 D3 emplacement (320 to 312 Ma age, e.g. Dias et al. 1998). Estimated P - T conditions of pluton
138 emplacement were constrained from 660-695 °C (for G1 pulse) to 725-760 °C (for G4, the last
139 pulse), with pressures in the range of 1.5 to 2 kbar (Merino et al. 2013).

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Results

142 The sampling and analytical methods section is available in Appendix¹ Text.

143 Apatite petrographic features

144 A petrographic description of Belvís granites can be found in Merino et al. (2014) and
145 Pérez-Soba et al. (2014). Apatite is, along with monazite, the most abundant accessory mineral
146 in the Belvís granites. Three apatite types are distinguished according to textural features
147 (Table 1). Type 1 mainly appears as light green coloured, equant, euhedral (Fig. 1a) to anhedral
148 (Fig. 1b) crystals, ranging from 20 to 2000 μm , although about 90% are smaller than 600 μm .
149 The euhedral and smaller sections mainly appears as inclusions in plagioclase in the most
150 fractionated granites (G1 and G2), whereas the bigger and anhedral sections, ranging from 250
151 to 2000 μm , are rare and mostly found in the less fractionated units (G3 and G4), included in or
152 interstitial to feldspars, quartz and micas. Type 2 and type 3 apatite mostly appear as anhedral
153 crystals. Type 2 is characterized by an irregular dusty appearance, with frequent intragranular
154 cracks (Appendix¹ Fig. 3b, 3c, 3d and 3e; Figs. 1d, 1e and 1f). They appear as large sections
155 (150 -2800 μm), interstitial to the main granite minerals with interlobate shapes (Appendix¹
156 Fig. 3b, 3c, 3d and 3e; Figs. 1c-1e), although occasional euhedral sections are found. Type 2
157 apatite appears in G2, G3 and G4 units, but lacks in the most evolved G1 unit. It may be locally
158 abundant, especially in the G4 granite (e.g., about 30 crystals in a standard thin section,
159 Appendix¹ Fig.2). SEM images reveal that dusty sectors contain ample acicular graphite
160 microinclusions (Figs. 1f-1h). Most apatite crystals are inclusion free, with the exception of
161 some occasional zircon crystals. Type 3 apatite appears only in the most evolved G1 granite
162 unit, mainly as anhedral (but also subeuhedral) crystals (Fig. 1i), interstitial to the main granite
163 forming minerals, and some crystal reach up to 300 μm . This apatite type appears as feathery
164 aggregate crystals (Fig. 1i, j), oriented (Fig. 1k) or variably oriented in sectors (Figs. 1j and 1l)
165 and includes occasional childrenite-eosphorite (Fig. 1i). However, large childrenite-eosphorite
166 crystals, which usually include tinny apatite, do not show any relationship with the feathery
167 type. Moreover, type 3 apatite has not been observed in the outer part or cracks of other

168 magmatic phosphates in the Belvís granites. These observations suggest a magmatic origin for
169 this apatite type.

170 The textural relationships with the main granite minerals and the variable shapes of the three
171 apatite types provide evidence of an overlapping sequential crystallization from type 1 to type
172 3.

173 **Apatite composition**

174 Representative major and trace element compositions of the three apatite types of the Belvís
175 granites are shown in the Appendix¹ Table1, and their main features are synthesized in Table 1.
176 The three apatite types are fluorapatite: F ranges from 1.87 to 4.31 wt% (overestimated, see
177 analytical methods), with low amounts of Cl (<0.50 wt%) and calculated OH. Most fluorapatite
178 is characterized by high MnO and FeO contents, which display wide ranges (MnO = 0.36 -
179 4.30 wt%; FeO = 0.04 - 5.09 wt%). In the MnO vs. FeO plot (Fig. 2a) type 1 and type 2 apatite
180 show the same compositional ranges, with FeO/MnO ratio values below 1:2. Apatite with
181 graphite inclusions (type 2), although similar in most of the compositional features to type 1, is
182 richer in Sr, LREE, Zr and Hf contents (Figs. 2b and 2c), and reaches the highest HREE
183 (<2133 ppm) and U (156 – 460 ppm, average of 260 ppm) contents (Fig. 2d). Type-2 apatite
184 shows low Th contents (up to 46 ppm, average of 10.53 ppm) compared to U, although both
185 elements display positive correlation (Fig 3d). The U content of type 1 and type 2 apatite is
186 high when compared to apatite in other felsic granitic rocks, either from alkaline, S- or I-type
187 suites (<235 ppm Zirner et al. 2015; <40 ppm, Belousova et al. 2002; <187 ppm, Hoskin et al.
188 2000; <184 ppm, Cao et al. 2013; <119 ppm; Mao et al. 2016) (Fig 3d), although lower than
189 data from rare metal-rich highly fractionated granites and LCT pegmatites (e.g., 7404 ppm,
190 Raimbault and Burnol 1998; ca.1000 ppm, Cao et al. 2013) and from a metamorphosed syenite
191 (681 ppm, Mao et al, 2016). The high U content in the apatite is in accordance with its

192 association to exceptional U-rich monazite and xenotime of these Belvís granites (Pérez-Soba
193 et al. 2014). Type 3 apatite composition contrasts by higher FeO_{tot} contents (<5.09 wt%,
194 average of 1.21 wt%) and FeO/MnO ratio values above the 1:1 ratio (Fig. 2a). In addition, type
195 3 is considerably richer (in wt%) in Na_2O (<1.08), Cl (<0.81) (Fig. 2e), and (in ppm) Sr (1596 -
196 2490) (Fig. 2b), Be (<502), Zn (<239) and B (<28) than type 1 and type 2 apatite, which show
197 most contents below detection limits (Appendix¹ Table 1). On the contrary, type 3 shows the
198 lowest P and Ca contents, low analytical totals (Fig. 2f) and extremely low Y, REE (Fig. 3a), U
199 and Th contents (Fig. 2d). Most apatite crystals show no evidence of zoning in BSE imaging,
200 and those euhedral to subeuhedral crystals with slight zoning do not show systematic core-rim
201 chemical variation.

202 Li content of the three types show similar range (9 – 104 ppm, average of 39 ppm, Table 1
203 and Appendix¹ Table 1). Comprehensive data of Li content in apatite are scarce in the literature
204 but these data (e.g., 2.1 ± 0.9 ppm averaged in apatite from felsic rocks, Piccoli and Candela
205 2002) indicate that Belvís apatite is Li-enriched. Electron energy loss (EEL) spectra performed
206 in the three apatite types does not detected carbon. None of the analyzed nanosamples have
207 absorption K-edge peaks around 284 eV, corresponding to the existence of amorphous carbon
208 in EELS, or around 290 eV (with a second broader peak centered at 302 eV) corresponding to
209 the carbon-edges in carbonates.

210 The REE content in apatite of the Belvís granites is largely variable (0.5–5878 ppm) (Table
211 1 and Appendix¹ Table 1). Type 1 and type 2 apatite show a wide REE total contents (1118–
212 5878 ppm), even at sample scale, displaying positive correlation between LREE (2131–4048
213 ppm) and HREE+Y contents (297–2133 ppm) (Fig. 3a). Type 1 apatite displays broad and
214 continuous chondrite-normalized REE patterns with a significant dissociation between LREE
215 and HREE b: the LREE pattern varies from regular and negative sloped pattern to a flat and

216 irregular one ($(\text{La}/\text{Sm})_N = 1.91\text{--}6.06$) (Fig. 3b), whereas the HREE show a consistent negative
217 slope ($(\text{Gd}/\text{Lu})_N = 1.7\text{--}4.9$) with a constant third tetrad effect (1.25–1.42, with the exception of
218 one sample having a 2.2 value). Type 2 apatite shows consistent planar LREE patterns and
219 negative fractionated HREE trend, this last similar to type 1, with a tendency to be HREE
220 enriched (Fig. 3c). In both apatite types, the negative Eu anomaly increases (from 0.79 to 0.07)
221 displaying positive correlation with the total REE content and the REE fractionation $(\text{La}/\text{Yb})_N$
222 (Fig. 3d). The chondrite-normalized patterns of both apatite types show different anomalies: a
223 low negative Nd anomaly (0.76–0.94), a weak positive Ce anomaly (1.06–2.19, more
224 pronounced in type 2 apatite) and a mostly slight positive Yb anomaly (0.97–1.17). Type 3
225 apatite shows REE contents mostly below detection limits, 3 to 4 orders of magnitude lower
226 than those from type 1 and type 2. In order to compare with the other apatite types, chondrite
227 normalized REE patterns of type 3 are estimated using the highest content just above the
228 detection limits (Fig. 3c).

229 Most of the described compositional features of type 1 and type 2 apatite are typical of S-
230 type granites (Sha and Chappell 1999; Broska et al. 2002, 2004). However, some differences
231 can be highlighted: i) the three apatite types are, on average, richer in Mn and Fe than those
232 from S-type granites, and even richer than apatite from specialized S-type granites (e.g. Broska
233 et al 2002); ii) type 1 and type 2 apatite from Belvís are considerably richer in U than typical
234 apatite from I or S-type granites (Fig. 2d); iii) they have higher LREE and lower HREE
235 contents than apatite from other S-type (Sha and Chappell 1999) or peraluminous granites (Chu
236 et al. 2009); iv) LREE/HREE ratio in Belvís apatite (1.6 - 4.9) is more characteristic of apatite
237 from mafic I-type granites than from S-types (Sha and Chappell 1999), so in chondrite-
238 normalized REE spectra the HREE pattern show an atypical negative slope; v) the extremely

239 low Eu negative anomaly in some of the studied type 1 apatite crystals are uncommon in S-
240 type granites (Sha and Chappell 1999).

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242 **Graphite microinclusions**

243 **Petrographic features.** Graphite inclusions are abundant (up to 10 vol% of apatite crystal),
244 displaying a broad alignment (Fig. 1f) or randomly arranged within the apatite crystals (Fig.
245 1g, h), in both cases heterogeneously grouped in clusters. Secondary electron images show that
246 these graphite inclusions are filaments (Figs. 4a and 4b) with diameters about 1 μm (Figs. 4c
247 and 4d) and lengths observed of 15 μm (Fig. 1g), and conformed by graphene sheets bonded to
248 each other in a stacked sequence. It is remarkable the systematic presence of a cavity around
249 each graphite inclusion with similar contour that the graphite shape and lengths exceeding in
250 about one third that of the related flake graphite (Figs. 4c and 4d).

251 Graphite inclusions in igneous minerals commonly appear as flakes, and have never been
252 described with crystalline habits typical of graphite crystallized from fluids as, e.g., spherules
253 (Duke and Rumble 1986; Luque et al. 2012). Two previous descriptions of graphite
254 microinclusions within magmatic apatite were recorded in peraluminous leucogranites from the
255 Bohemian Massif: Broska et al. (1992) studied dusky apatite in Variscan leucogranite massifs
256 of the Western Carpathians caused by the presence of “fine graphite flakes”; Seifert et al.
257 (2010) reported in the Caledonian S-type Rumburk granite disperse graphite (associated to
258 other minerals) as microinclusions (up to 3 μm) in apatite and other minerals or as “interstitial
259 flakes”. Other references of graphite in igneous rocks are from Montanini et al. (2010), which
260 found graphite as “dispersed flakes and stacks of flakes” (up to 2–3 mm) in garnet pyroxenite
261 layers from the Northern Apennines; Kvasnitsa et al. (1999) described in anorthosites different
262 textures of graphite interstitial to plagioclase, which display a complete transition from “tabular

263 flakes to columnar individuals, in a sorter (sic) of macrospiral growths with pseudo-
264 dipyramidal terminations". Patel and Deshapande (1970) found some graphite filaments (65–
265 125 μm) with c-axis planes oriented along the fiber length, growing from graphite crystals of
266 the Ticonderoga graphite mine. Among graphite shapes found in literature, this last graphite
267 morphology is the most similar to those described here, although significantly longer than the
268 15 μm observed in graphite of Belvís.

269 The systematic occurrence of a cavity around graphite inclusions (Figs. 4c and 4d) could be
270 interpreted as a contraction. It is known that low irradiation dose causes the graphite to shrink
271 parallel to the layer planes (a-axis direction) (Burchell 1997). The high U contents of type 2
272 apatite (up to 450 ppm, Appendix¹ Table 1), exceptionally high for common granite rocks,
273 could be a natural source of the radiation.

274 **Chemical characterization.** Identification of graphite has been successively carried out by
275 EMP line analysis, EDX spectra and elemental X-ray maps. Figure 5 shows two EDS line
276 analysis on graphite microinclusions in type 2 apatite for C, Ca, P and F, which systematically
277 reveal that P, Ca and F contents define sharp falls within rich-inclusion areas while carbon
278 defines a peak.

279 **Carbon isotope composition.** Carbon isotope composition of bulk rocks have been
280 obtained from the wall rocks (SGC pelitic metasediments), nearby granites of the MT batholith
281 (Navalmoral de la Mata pluton) and the Belvis granites (Table 2). Carbon isotope ratios ($\delta^{13}\text{C}$
282 in ‰) from the graphite-bearing Belvís granites range from -24.4 to -27.4 indicating a
283 biogenic carbon source (Fig. 6). These values are within the wide range of ratios shown by
284 metapelitic rocks from the CIZ (Fig. 6), although slightly higher than the nearest
285 metasedimentary wall-rocks (-31.00 to -32.49). Moreover, Belvís granites have also similar

286 but slightly higher $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values than other graphite no-bearing peraluminous granites of the MT
287 batholith (N. Mata granites: -29.24 to -32.78). Carbon isotope composition of the Belvís
288 granites suggests an organic carbon derivation inherited from the metasedimentary source.

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Discussion

291 Substitution mechanisms

292 Composition of apatite can be described by the common structural formula $\text{M1}_4\text{M2}_6(\text{TO}_4)_3$
293 X (Pasero et al. 2010). T includes cations with more than 4-fold coordination (P^{5+} , As^{5+} , V^{5+} ,
294 Si^{4+} , S^{6+}). The X anionic site is occupied by monovalent anions (F^- , Cl^- , OH^-), which can
295 substitute for each other resulting in almost a complete range of substitution between the three
296 end-members of apatite; moreover, vacancies (e.g., Piccoli and Candela 2002), H_2O molecules,
297 and divalent anions (O^{2-} , CO_3^{2-}) can substitute in this channel site (e.g., Pasero et al. 2010). M-
298 site (Ca^{2+}) accommodates cations in two non-equivalent, symmetrically and
299 crystallographically distinct sites: the 9-fold coordinated site (M1 or Ca1, larger in size and
300 with trigonal symmetry) and the 7-fold coordinated one (M2 or Ca2, smaller and lower in
301 symmetry, surrounded by one F atom) (e.g., Pasero et al. 2010). Large divalent (Ca, Pb, Ba, Sr,
302 Mn, Mg, Fe), trivalent (REE, Y, Al, Bi) or monovalent (Na, Li) alkaline earth-element cations
303 substitute over M1 and M2 sites. The ability of apatite structure to accommodate this broad
304 spectrum of different cations and anions depends on several factors: ionic size, redox
305 conditions, coordination preferences of the substituting cation, temperature, etc. (e.g., Hughes
306 et al. 1991; Pasero et al. 2010; Wopenka and Pasteris 2005).

307 In the Belvís apatite the T-position is occupied mainly by phosphorous, with occasional
308 analyses with Si content above detection limit. Phosphorous content only displays a broad
309 negative correlation with the Ca content but does not correlate with any of the other analyzed

310 not essential structural cations (not ESC) (as Mn, Fe, Mg, Sr, Na, Al, REE, Y, Th and U), ,
311 suggesting that it may be involved in coupled substitution mechanisms. The X-site is
312 dominated by F, with traces of Cl. The occupancy of this site is below full capacity (2 atoms
313 per formula unit (apfu) about 3.7 wt%, de Toledo et al. 2004). This deficiency could be related
314 to the existence of structural OH⁻ (McClellan and Lehr 1969) or vacancies (Pan and Fleet
315 2002) in this site. In type 1 and type 2 the F content only displays correlation with the OH⁻
316 content (estimated by charge balance). The estimated values of OH⁻ do not systematically
317 correlate with excess of oxygen analyzed by EMP in the respective analysis (see analytical
318 methods), suggesting, that vacancies may be included in this OH⁻ estimation. The F content in
319 type 3 apatite shows a positive correlation with the Ca contents (Figs. 7a and 7b), suggesting
320 some substitution mechanism involving both F and Ca. These elements participate in several
321 coupled mechanisms, all of them with associated vacancies (Pan and Fleet 2002, and
322 references therein), which may explain the low anion occupancy observed in this apatite type.
323 The F content displays broad negative correlation with the Cl contents of type 3 apatite. This F-
324 Cl correlation may be explained by changes in the *P-T* conditions (e.g., Harlov 2015; Webster
325 and Piccoli 2015) or competition with other Cl-bearing minerals (e.g., Harlov 2015). In the
326 Belvís granites, muscovite or biotite show extremely low Cl contents (Merino 2014), and the
327 four granite units intruded in a short time span at the same emplacement level. Therefore, the
328 significant higher Cl content in type 3 apatite rather suggests a significant melt compositional
329 change (e.g., enrichment in fluxing components) in the last magmatic stage that this apatite
330 type records, as also would evidence the good positive correlation of Cl with Na (Fig. 2e), Li
331 (Fig. 7c), Be and B contents.

332 Among the monovalent cations that potentially substitutes for Ca, only Na and Li show
333 significant values in the Belvís apatite. In type 1 and type 2 Li shows positive correlation with

334 both LREE and Y+HREE contents (Fig. 7d), so Li incorporation could be explained via the
335 coupled substitution: $\text{Li}^+ + (\text{Y}+\text{REE})^{3+} = 2\text{Ca}^{2+}$. A similar mechanism was proposed by Pan
336 and Fleet (2002) and Harlov et al. (2002), although involving Na as the monovalent cation,
337 which, on the other hand, in the studied apatite is not evident. In type 3 apatite, in which Na
338 content is particularly high, this cation only shows a remarkable positive correlation with Cl, Li
339 (Figs. 2e and 6e) and Fe contents (Fig. 7f). The correlation between Na and Fe may suggest a
340 charge compensated substitution mechanism of Fe^{3+} and Na^+ for Ca^{2+} (Pan and Fleet 2002).
341 Therefore, Na would have been incorporated in type 3 apatite as long as Fe^{3+} was present, and
342 possibly favored by the high Cl and Li contents. In type 3 apatite Li is negatively correlated
343 with F, indicating Li could be likely incorporated via the coupled substitution mechanism: Li^+
344 $+ \square = \text{Ca}^{2+} + \text{F}^-$ (Pan and Fleet 2002). In short, in type 3 apatite the strong correlation displayed
345 between Cl, Fe^{3+} , Li, Na, Be and B suggests the involvement of a residual fraction of magmatic
346 melt rich in fluxing components and with higher oxidation state compared to that related with
347 the type 1 and type 2 apatite.

348 In the studied three apatite types, Fe^{2+} and Mn^{2+} are the main cations for Ca substitution.
349 The good correlations between them suggest a simple mechanism for Fe and Mn incorporation:
350 $(\text{Fe}^{2+} + \text{Mn}^{2+}) = \text{Ca}^{2+}$ (e.g., Pan and Fleet 2002; Harlov et al. 2006). Other divalent cations, as
351 Sr, Mg or Be, where above detection limits (mostly in type 3, Appendix¹ Table 1), are
352 negatively correlated with Ca.

353 Unlike divalent cations which substitute for Ca without variation of the apatite structure, the
354 incorporation of M^{3+} cations requires a coupled substitution in which they substitute for Ca^{2+}
355 and P^{5+} as long as Si^{4+} , Na^+ or vacancies are involved (Fleet and Pan 1995). In type 1 and type
356 2 apatite the M^{3+} involving cations are REE^{3+} , Y and Al^{3+} , which do not show distinct
357 correlations with any other substituting cation. This reduces the substituting mechanisms to this

358 one: $2\text{REE}^{3+} + \square = 3\text{Ca}^{2+}$ (cf. Elliot 1994). In the case of type 3 apatite, the extremely low REE
359 and Y contents are likely explained from local crystallization of REE-exhausted melts,
360 although their relatively high Cl content could also decrease the uptake of REE in fluorapatite
361 (Fleet et al. 2000).

362 Tetravalent cations U and Th are only significant in type 1 and type 2 apatite (Appendix¹
363 Table 1), displaying positive and good correlation between them (Fig. 2d). They can substitute
364 for Ca via a Ca-deficiency mechanism, such as vacancies or coupled substitutions involving Na
365 or Si (Luo et al. 2009, and references therein). As the incorporation of U in the fluorapatite
366 structure is in the tetravalent state (Luo et al. 2009) and in the Belvís apatite samples the (Th +
367 U) content is not correlated with Na or Si, the most plausible mechanism is to charge balance
368 generating vacancies: $(\text{U} + \text{Th})^{4+} + \square = 2\text{Ca}^{2+}$.

369 Type 3 apatite shows systematically low analytical totals (Appendix¹ Table1, Fig. 2f).
370 Specific references on low analytical totals in apatite from igneous rocks are very scarce in
371 literature (e.g., de Toledo et al. 2004). In general, low totals have been ascribed to weathering
372 effect, porosity by partial dissolution or possible compounds not analyzed. In a profile of
373 variably weathered carbonatitic complex, de Toledo et al. (2004) correlated low analytical
374 totals with: (a) loss of substituting cations for Ca, (b) increase of substituting anion (carbonate)
375 for P, (c) the increase of F, and (d) increasing CaO/P₂O₅ ratio. In our case, analytical data (LA-
376 ICPMS) on type 3 apatite type show trace contents of substituting cations, and the EEL
377 spectrometry has not detected carbon. Therefore, we consider that low totals of this type 3
378 apatite may be explained by the microporosity of the surface roughness associated to its
379 feathered texture, which, according to Sorbier et al. (2004), can introduce large quantification
380 errors if a contaminant (e.g., carbon during sample preparation) is not analyzed.

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382 **Constrains on the fluorapatite crystallization**

383 Textural features of type 1 apatite from Belvís units suggest a broad crystallization stage
384 evolving from euhedral crystals, included in early rock-forming plagioclase, to anhedral and
385 bigger crystals, included in later rock-forming quartz, micas and K-feldspar. The most frequent
386 interstitial position of type 2 apatite would indicate a widespread later crystallization with
387 respect to type 1 crystals. Whole-rock chemical evolution from G4 to G1 granites shows the
388 typical trends of highly-fractionated, P-rich and Ca-poor S-type granites, with P₂O₅ and MnO
389 increase, and CaO, FeO and REE contents decrease (e.g., London et al. 1993). However apatite
390 composition does not correlate with whole-rock MnO or FeO contents of the corresponding
391 sample, or other whole-rock evolutionary parameters (e.g., ASI, TiO₂ or SiO₂ contents),
392 suggesting that apatite characterizes the last sequence of magmatic evolution in these residual
393 melts. Moreover, the fact that in the same thin section apatite may display significant variations
394 or appear near to other apatite type could evidence the melt drop-like compartmentalization of
395 highly residual melts. The decrease of apatite amount from G4 to G1 granites may be explained
396 by a lower P availability, as increasing phosphorous partition into K-feldspar and plagioclase
397 via the berlinite substitution is shown by the Belvís granites (Table 1 of Villaseca et al. 2008).

398 The lack of chemical zoning in type 1 and type 2 apatite may provide further information
399 about crystallization conditions. In these cases, the rate of crystal growth is lower than the rate
400 at which elements in the melt diffuse (Kuehner and Joswiak 1996), or apatite crystallization
401 temperatures above 500 °C could erase the zoning, as a result of diffusive equilibration of Mn
402 during or after crystallization (Cherniak 2005; Sirbescu et al. 2009). Temperatures of
403 crystallization in the Belvís granites were estimated about 700°C (Merino et al. 2013), although
404 lower temperatures could be reached because the relatively late apatite crystallization and the
405 presence of fluxing components in melts could decrease granite solidus temperatures,

406 favouring undercooling conditions. In addition, in these highly fractionated and P-F-rich melts
407 a strong increase of cation and volatile diffusion rates is reasonable to expect (e.g., Hannah and
408 Stein 1990; Holzt et al. 1993; London et al. 1993). Therefore, undercooling conditions coupled
409 with high cation diffusion may result in unzoned apatite crystals.

410 Low oxygen fugacity is characteristic of S-type magmas (e.g., Sha and Chappell 1999).
411 Some evidences of low oxidation state in magmas deduced from apatite composition are: i) Fe,
412 Mn or U substituting for Ca are indicative of divalent charge (Fe^{2+} , Mn^{2+}) or tetravalent charge
413 (U^{4+}) (e.g., Belousova et al. 2002; Buda and Pál-Molnár 2012; Miles et al. 2014) ; ii) low
414 oxygen fugacity enhances $\text{Eu}^{2+}/\text{Eu}^{3+}$ ratio in the melt, resulting in higher negative Eu anomaly
415 in the chondrite-normalized apatite REE patterns as Eu^{3+} , with similar ionic radius than Ca, is
416 preferred by the apatite structure (Roeder et al. 1987; Sha and Chappel 1999; Broska et al.
417 2002; Cao et al. 2011); iii) in the same way, a positive Ce-anomaly could be explained by
418 reduced state of Ce (as Ce^{3+}). Pan et al. (2016) propose bivariate plots of elements with
419 opposite partitioning behavior in changing oxidation state during magma crystallization.
420 Following this assumption, Eu/Eu^* or Ce/Ce^* could define the oxidation state during the
421 growing of the three apatite types, as it is shown in Figure 8a. In this plot, type 1 apatite defines
422 a broad negative correlation, possibly recording more variable oxygen fugacity conditions,
423 whereas type 2 plots in low $f\text{O}_2$ fields, and type 3 apatite display scattered trends at higher
424 oxygen fugacity. The high negative Eu anomaly in chondrite normalized REE patterns of type
425 2 apatite would corroborate a low oxidation state. However, in a single thin section type 1
426 apatite shows strong variations of the Eu and Ce anomalies, suggesting that other factors, in
427 addition of redox conditions or independent of this, could explain these variations. Some
428 studies have shown that the Eu anomaly in accessory minerals may result for previously Eu

429 depleted melt, either from the source (e.g., Rubatto 2002), after plagioclase crystallization (e.g.,
430 Hoskin et al. 2000) or by co-crystallization with K-feldspar (Murali et al. 1983).

431 Apatite chemistry may be interpreted according to whole-rock melt composition (Prowatke
432 and Klemme 2006; Cicconi et al. 2012), REE preferences of coevally crystallizing accessory
433 minerals (e.g., Bea 1996; Procházka and Matějka 2006; Miles et al. 2013) or other factors (e.g.,
434 redox conditions). As apatite chemistry is not correlated with the Belvís granite whole rock
435 composition, we consider that competition with other mineral phases may control REE apatite
436 compositional variations. The monazite crystallization would explain that apatite composition
437 displays a trend of variable Y but constant low Ce contents (e.g., Sha and Chappell, 1999; Chu
438 et al. 2009; Miles et al. 2013). In similar plots, (e.g., LREE vs. Y+HREE), type 1 apatite shows
439 a positive correlation whereas type 2 does not (Fig. 8b). These differences are also evident in
440 the plot $(La/Sm)_N$ vs. $(Y + HREE)$ (Fig. 8c), where type 1 apatite records a variable
441 competition with other LREE and HREE-bearing phosphates (monazite and xenotime),
442 whereas type 2 exclusively nucleated and grew from relatively enriched LREE melts,
443 regardless of HREE-Y content.

444 Textural and compositional features of type 3 apatite define a change in the magmatic
445 conditions in the more evolved unit of the Belvís pluton, where it has only found, compared to
446 those deduced from previous apatite types. The common subhedral to anhedral crystals are
447 conformed by feather aggregates which evidence a self-assembly mechanism of growing (Penn
448 2004), typically involving a fast nucleation followed by aggregation growth, in this case in a
449 disordered way. The high number of nuclei and their small size would evidence crystallization
450 under high undercooling conditions, i.e., temperature varies more rapidly than nuclei grow. As
451 type 3 crystal shapes are sharp and with no evidences of reaction with type 1 apatite (type 2
452 and type 3 do not occur in the same pluton unit), different apatite growth conditions are

453 involved. The highly evolved composition and the external location of the G1 unit within the
454 pluton may provide appropriate conditions for partial loss of volatiles (or fluxing components),
455 which would contribute to a higher undercooling (Hort 1998). On the other way, higher oxygen
456 fugacity during late crystallization stages can be deduced in the residual melts of the G1 unit,
457 on the basis of both graphite-bearing apatite absence and high Fe^{3+} contents in type 3 apatite
458 composition. Strong $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$ increases have been observed during devolatilization process in
459 hydrous rhyolite magmas by loss of H_2 or H_2O during the ascent at shallow levels (Humphreys
460 et al. 2015). The previous crystallization of Cl-poor type 1 and 2 apatite would enhance Cl
461 activity in the last fractions of the residual melts, favoring relatively Cl-Na-Li-Be- Fe^{3+} -rich and
462 REE-exhausted minor melts, from which type 3 apatite would crystallize.

463 *P-T* conditions for the crystallization of apatite could be estimated by calculating apatite
464 saturation temperatures using the experimental model of Piccoli and Candela (1994), modified
465 from Harrison and Watson (1984), according to SiO_2 and P_2O_5 whole-rock composition. The
466 main objection for using this equation in these peraluminous and perphosphorous granites is
467 the complex estimation of the P_2O_5 content for apatite saturation, since feldspars, but also
468 micas and cordierite, are P-bearing phases in perphosphorous leucogranites, as it is the case of
469 the Belvís granites. So we consider a better proxy the *P-T* conditions calculated by Merino
470 (2014) and Merino et al. (2013) on the basis of Ti-in-zircon and mineral paragenesis for the
471 central Belvís units (G4 and G3 leucogranites), providing *P* about 2 kbar, and *T* up to 750 °C.
472 The estimated lately crystallization for type-3 apatite and the probable higher fluxing contents
473 might indicate significantly lower temperatures.

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475 **Origin of graphite in the Belvís granites**

476 The origin of studied graphite is discussed by comparison with previous studies in magmatic
477 rocks:

478 1. Graphite as interstitial flakes or included in rock-forming minerals has been interpreted
479 as restitic in origin, as this mineral behaves as refractory during anatectic melting processes of
480 metasedimentary protoliths (e.g., Broska et al. 1992, Seifert et al. 2010). Restitic graphite could
481 also be related to assimilation of metasedimentary wall-rocks (Duke and Rumble 1986). The
482 carbon isotope composition of the Belvís granites support that the studied graphite has an
483 inherited biogenic origin (Fig. 6). Although graphite as xenocryst would be plausible in the S-
484 type Belvís pluton, graphite in these granites occurs exclusively as euhedral filaments hosted in
485 magmatic fluorapatite, suggesting that carbon may be present in the residual melts as graphene
486 units growing later as acicular crystals. The rare occurrence of metasedimentary xenoliths,
487 coupled with the higher carbon isotopic composition of the Belvís granites compared to the
488 wall-rocks metasediments, make it unlikely a xenocrystic origin for graphite. Moreover, in the
489 MT batholith graphite has been only found in the highly fractionated Belvís pluton. Therefore,
490 it appears unlikely that more mafic and restite-rich granitic units of this large batholith lack
491 graphite if this were strictly restitic.

492 2. Carbon mobilized by hydrothermal fluids from the protoliths or wall-rocks (as carbonate
493 or organic-rich sediments) during high temperature events (contact metamorphism, anatexis)
494 would precipitate in the granitic melts as fluid inclusions within rock-forming minerals, with
495 graphite as daughter crystals (Winchel 1911; Duke and Rumble 1986; Alfonso et al. 1995;
496 Long et al. 2013). In the Belvís granites, C has only been observed as graphitic micro-
497 inclusions hosted by magmatic apatite.

498 3. Carbon content in apatite may reach significant values (Comodi et al. 2001; Brigatti et al.
499 2004) after carbon substitution at high temperatures, and this carbon may be lately exsolved as

500 graphite inclusions during cooling. In the apatite structure carbon substitution in the phosphate
501 site is probably operative in the form of CO₃ and less frequently in the anion-site for (OH)⁻
502 (e.g., Freund 1986; Peck and Tumpane 2007; Yi et al. 2013). The shape of the graphite
503 inclusions in the Belvís apatite, their wide range of grain size and their heterogeneous
504 distribution, either parallel or randomly orientated, are not characteristics of a network of
505 crystallographic-oriented crystals (Figs. 1f-1h). Moreover, EEL analyses do not detect carbon
506 in any of the apatite types.

507 4. Co-crystallization of apatite and graphite similarly Gottesmann and Wirth (1997)
508 proposed for pyrrhotite inclusions in apatite from granitic rocks. These authors observed
509 rhythmical disposition of pyrrhotite normal to the c-axis of apatite crystals. They proposed that
510 pyrrhotite nuclei would have precipitated in the interface apatite-melt according to changes of
511 Fe and S contents in the melt, and favored by similar lattice spacing between them. In some of
512 the studied apatite crystals graphite inclusions show a preferred orientation (Fig. 1f) but do not
513 define a rhythmical disposition.

514 The model of simultaneous growth of fluorapatite and graphite from highly differentiated
515 granite melts is considered the most plausible origin for the studied graphite inclusions, as we
516 discuss below.

517 In the MT batholith the presence of graphite is limited to the most highly fractionated (P-F-
518 Li-Be-Rb-U-Cs-rich) pluton, and has only been observed as microinclusions within
519 fluorapatite. This suggests a strong association of P, F and C related to magma source
520 signatures due to the metasedimentary derivation of these granites (Villaseca et al. 2008;
521 Merino et al. 2013, 2014). High carbon solubility in apatite has been previously noted (e.g.,
522 Jahnke 1984; Regnier 1994). Besides the association of P-C-F, another factor might have
523 contributed to graphite occurrence since type 1 apatite, compositionally similar to type 2, does

524 not include graphite. Type 2 differs from type 1 apatite mainly by having slightly higher
525 LREE-Zr-Sr contents. These differences suggest that C was favorably partitioned into residual
526 fractions of P-rich melt, with relative high REE-U contents (but not enough to stabilize
527 monazite) together with adequate Ca contents to form apatite.

528 Type 2 apatite mostly appears as interlobated crystals in interstitial position (Figs. 1c-1e).
529 This texture resembles those developed between immiscible melts preserved by rapid cooling
530 rates. On average, the fluorapatite-graphite crystals are made up of 90% fluorapatite and 10%
531 graphite, so a broad estimation on the basis of fluorapatite composition shows that high
532 concentration of volatile and fluxing components (around 30 wt%) has to be achieved in these
533 melt droplets: 18 wt% P + 10 wt% C + 2 wt% F + (Li + Cl + OH) traces. This fluxing-rich
534 residual melt fraction could suggest melt-melt immiscibility behavior with the silicate melt. In
535 igneous systems the silicate immiscibility with salt melts (fluoride, phosphate, chloride,
536 carbonates and sulphate) has been extensively studied (e.g., Dawson 1962). Phosphorous
537 immiscibility in highly evolved silicate melts was shown early (e.g., Rutherford 1974),
538 although later studies have triggered a controversy as many compositional factors control P
539 behavior in silicate melts, which makes difficult to constrain the final ability of P to be
540 immiscible (Roda-Robles et al. 2012 and references there in). Studies in pegmatite bodies show
541 P-rich segregates (e.g., nodules, Roda-Robles et al. 2012; patches, Thomas and Davidson
542 2013), therefore some degree of immiscibility can be achieved in the late stage of highly
543 evolved melts, whatever the process or conditions for concentrate P. Graphite is typically a
544 residual phase that remains in the residuum during a crustal partial melting process, but if a
545 small proportion enters in the molten fraction, it would behave as a highly incompatible
546 component. Therefore, carbon content will increase towards residual highly fractionated
547 granite melt. However, carbon itself has low solubility in silicate melts and could be easily lost

548 in epizonal intrusions (as the Belvís pluton is). Therefore, C should be retained in melt for
549 graphite crystallization, and we consider it was most likely associated to these P-F-rich melts,
550 which might enhance the immiscibility character of melt droplets, similarly to immiscibility
551 process in carbonate-silicate liquid systems (e.g. Brooker and Kjarsgaard 2011). Fluorine is
552 highly soluble in hydrous aluminosilicate melts, acting as a fluxing component, apparently
553 more important than P (e.g. Dingwell et al. 1993), but combined with other fluxing components
554 (e.g. Li, B) to explain the viscosity observed in natural systems (Bartels et al. 2013).

555 We consider that in the succession of magmatic pulses forming the Belvís pluton, when
556 most of the granite magma was crystallized, the occurrence of minor volumes of residual P-C-
557 F-(Li)-rich melt fraction could induce an immiscible character, as it is shown for pegmatite
558 systems (e.g., Veksler et al. 2002; Thomas and Davidson 2007) or deduced from pegmatitic
559 phosphate bodies studies (e.g., Roda-Robles et al. 2012; Miles et al. 2013), triggering an
560 emulsion with droplets dimensions (e.g., Thomas and Davidson 2007; Peretyazhko et al. 2007)
561 . Although low temperatures may induce high viscosity in evolved silicate melts, local
562 saturation of fluxing components can be achieved (Bacon 1989). A high initial water content
563 (7-8 w% H₂O, Strong 1988) allows peraluminous melts to reach high degrees of crystallization
564 before water-saturation is achieved and favoring a higher enrichment of incompatible elements
565 in the residual melts and coexisting exsolving fluids (Candela 1989). Although interstitial melt
566 droplets may crystallize at low temperatures, the elevated content in fluxing components would
567 reduce its density and viscosity, increasing the cation diffusion rates and inhibiting zoning
568 textures in the apatite. Decreasing temperatures and fO_2 in an isobaric cooling system could
569 create favorable conditions for graphite precipitation (Frezzotti et al 1994). Therefore, carbon
570 would nucleate as graphite, heterogeneously distributed, and growing either randomly or
571 oriented. Graphite inclusions do not show textural changes in apatite from the G2 to G4 granite

572 units, suggesting that within type-2 apatite carbon supersaturated condition was achieved in
573 these microdomains. In this type of immiscible systems, REE and other incompatible cations
574 tend to be preferentially partitioned into the non-silicate melt (Veksler et al. 2012), which
575 would explain the higher contents in some of these elements such as U, REE, Sr and Zr in type
576 2 apatite, leaving behind a residual melt highly impoverished in these elements. Finally, the
577 shape of graphite inclusions could reflect strong undercooling in these microdomains,
578 enhancing graphite growth as acicular crystals. The peraluminous nature of the Belvís magmas,
579 in addition to their P-rich contents, may delay considerably the apatite crystallization and
580 favour the origin of different apatite generations in local highly fractionated and fluxing
581 element-rich fractions.

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Implications

584 The carbon incorporation in granite peraluminous melts from their metasedimentary sources
585 opens a discussion on the carbon behavior during magma evolution while carbon concentrates
586 in the ultimate residual melts (highly fractionated granites and pegmatites), so it questions the
587 way it was transported in an evolving highly polymerized melt framework. Another question is
588 in which conditions graphite from the metasedimentary source is incorporated as a restite phase
589 into the melt and in which allotrope form is maintained during magma evolution until it is
590 stacked as graphene co-crystallizing with granitic apatite.

591 This study provides a singular case of magmatic graphite with fluorapatite in peraluminous
592 granites, which might not be accidental. Fluxing elements as P-F-H, related to the organic
593 matter, have a crucial role as ligands to carbon. Melt species with P-F-C bonds would probably
594 promote melt immiscibility in high-silica magmas. This is a field to be explored in future.

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Conclusions

597 1. Three different Fe-Mn-rich fluorapatite types crystallized in the late stages of
598 crystallization of the perphosphorous Belvís granites. Textural and compositional ranges of
599 type 1 and type 2 apatite provide evidences of sequentially overlap with subtle compositional
600 differences between them, whereas type 3 apatite defines later and contrasted conditions of
601 crystallization. The compositional variations do not correlate with whole-rock contents,
602 reflecting the decoupling between conditions of whole-rock features and those of the late
603 accessory minerals. Type 1 and type 2 apatite record low oxygen fugacity, crystallization in
604 high undercooling conditions from highly fractionated residual melts, compositionally similar
605 but with significant higher LREE and Sr contents for type 2 apatite.

606 2. Type 3 apatite shows an unusual feathered aggregate texture and compositionally is
607 extremely low in REE-Y-Th-U contents, whereas it is relatively rich in Cl-Na-Fe³⁺-Be-B-(Zn).
608 These features are interpreted as being related to crystallization from highly fractionated
609 residual melts at high undercooling and oxygen fugacity conditions in a late magmatic stage.

610 3. Inclusion of acicular graphite in type 2 apatite is explained by co-crystallization in melt
611 drops saturated in volatile and fluxing components (P-F-C-H), segregated from highly
612 fractionated (perphosphorous and peraluminous) melts by immiscibility process. This volatile-
613 enriched segregate appeared in relatively LREE- and Sr-undepleted melt fractions. Therefore,
614 the previous monazite crystallization is determinant of the LREE content of apatite. Another
615 factor for graphite crystallization is the strong affinity between volatile and fluxing components
616 in S-type magmas [P-F-(Li-OH)] and carbon (from the metapelitic source). Carbon in these
617 residual melts could trigger immiscibility behavior respect to silicate-rich melt fraction.
618 Fluorapatite and graphite co-crystallized from immiscible melt droplets with high cation
619 diffusivity promoted by the low viscosity related to the high concentration in fluxing

620 components. This scenario provides conditions for unzoned crystals as well as unusual graphite
621 growth as filaments. The occurrence of graphite in felsic magmas, to our knowledge, is
622 restricted to xenocrysts in peraluminous and P-rich granites. This is the first study assigning a
623 magmatic crystallization for graphite in a granite melt.

624 4. Local limitations of cation diffusivity by competition with other phase minerals in
625 microdomains of residual melts question the use of chondrite-normalized apatite REE patterns
626 as accurate granite petrogenesis features. On the contrary, detailed studies of compositional
627 variations in apatite and associated minerals may provide more accurate petrogenetic
628 interpretations of the late crystallization history of granite magmas.

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1085 **Figure captions**

1086 **Figure 1.** Photomicrograph showing textures of the type 1 (**a-b**), type 2 (**c-h**) and type 3 (**i-l**)
1087 apatite in the Belvís granites. SEM = Secondary electron images, BSE= Back scattered electron
1088 images. BSE images of euhedral and equant type 1 apatite (**a**) and subhedral and equant type 1
1089 apatite (**b**); (**c**) anhedral dusty sections of apatite 2 under petrographic microscope (plane
1090 polarized light); (**d-e**) BSE image of large and dusty interlobate crystals of type 2 apatite,
1091 mainly interstitial to granite-rock forming minerals, with dark irregular areas (richer in graphite
1092 inclusions) and frequent intragranular cracks; (**f**) SEM-BSE image of inclusions of graphite
1093 crystals arranged in parallel (BSE dark) within type 2 apatite (BSE light), defining different
1094 areas according to inclusion-density; (**g**) SEM-BSE image of subhedral and equant type-2
1095 apatite, plenty of graphite microinclusions randomly oriented, as it is possible to observe in
1096 detail from (**h**) image; (**i**) BSE image of an anhedral section of type 3 apatite, with the
1097 characteristic feathered aggregate texture, and partially replaced by childrenite- eosphorite-
1098 (chil-eos); (**j-l**) SEM-BSE images of different appearances of the feather texture in different
1099 crystals of type 3 apatite, irregular (**j**), oriented (**k**), or without preferential orientation (**l**).

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1101 **Figure 2.** Compositional variation for the three apatite types of the Belvís granites: (**a**) Plot of
1102 FeO and MnO variation, with 1:2 vector defining the main trend for type 1 and type 2, and
1103 vector 1:1 for type 3 apatite. (**b**) Plot of LREE and Sr abundance. (**c**) Plot of Zr and Hf
1104 abundance. (**d**) Plot of Th and U abundances for apatite from Belvís and compositional fields
1105 of apatite from different magmatic suites: I-type granite: Hoskin et al. (2000) (Boggy Plain
1106 pluton, Australia); Chu et al. (2009) (Transhimalayan granitoids); Cao et al. (2011) (Central
1107 Kazakhstan, Kazagistan), Pan et al. (2016) (Pulang and Xiuwacu plutons, Zhongdian terrane,
1108 China); S-type granite: Sha et al. (2009) (Lachlan Fold Belt, Australia), Chu et al. (2009)

1109 (Transhimalayan granitoids); LCT pegmatite :Cao et al. (2013) (Altai Orogen, China); alkaline
1110 felsic rocks : Zirner et al. (2015) (Ilímaussaq complex, South Greenland). (e) Plot of Na and Cl
1111 abundances; the arrow remarks the broad positive correlation shown by type 3 apatite.. (f) Plot
1112 of analytical total (wt%) and CaO abundance.

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1114 **Figure 3.** REE contents of apatite types from the Belvís granites (a) Plot of Y+HREE and
1115 LREE contents. (b) Chondrite-normalized plot showing the REE patterns of type 2 grouped in
1116 a grey area for a better comparison with type 1. Owing to the extremely low REE content in
1117 type 3 apatite, values just above the detection limits have been used. (c) Plot of REE
1118 fractionation $(La/Yb)_N$ ratios against the Eu anomaly for type 1 and type 2 apatite.

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1120 **Figure 4.** Secondary electron images of cracked apatite surfaces illustrating shape and size of
1121 graphite inclusions in fluorapatite host. (a-b) Variably sized graphite inclusions (filaments),
1122 randomly orientated; (c) Graphite inclusions showing the typical cavity around them; (d) Detail
1123 of graphite inclusion composed by graphene stack.

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1125 **Figure 5.** Secondary electron images of graphite inclusions in fluorapatite, with X-ray EDS
1126 profiles (white line) crossing the graphite microinclusions for C, Ca, P and F. The profiles are
1127 performed along two graphite filaments with different crystal orientations.

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1129 **Figure 6.** Carbon isotope compositions of the Belvís granites and the nearby Navalmoral
1130 pluton according to the estimated emplacement temperatures. Carbon (biogenic, mantle and
1131 carbonates) compositional fields have been included (Martín-Méndez et al. 2016, and
1132 references therein). Biogenic carbon isotopic data from different sectors of the Central Iberian

1133 Zone (at their estimated metamorphic conditions): pelitic wall-rocks from the Schist-
1134 Greywacke Complex (SGC), migmatitic metapelites from the Anatectic Complex of Toledo
1135 (ACT), and pelitic granulites from lower crustal xenoliths (LC) are taken from Table 2 and
1136 from Martín-Méndez et al. (2016).

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1138 **Figure 7.** Compositional variation of the three apatite types of the Belvís granites: **(a)** Plot of
1139 variation of the anionic site between Cl and F. **(b)** Plot of Ca and F contents, remarking the
1140 lack of correlation in type 1 and type 2 apatite. **(c)** Plot of Cl and Li contents. **(d)** Plot of
1141 (Y+REE) and Li contents. **(e)** Plot of Na and Li content. **(g)** Plot of Fe and Na.

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1143 **Figure 8.** REE compositional variation of the three apatite types of the Belvís granites: **(a)** Plot
1144 of Ce and Eu anomalies of the three apatite types and the variation trends for the oxygen
1145 fugacity according to data from the literature (Roeder et al. 1987; Sha and Chappel 1999;
1146 Broska et al. 2002; Cao et al. 2011);. **(b)** Plot of (Y + HREE) and LREE contents; type 3
1147 apatite is outlined due to their projection close to the origin of coordinates. **(c)** Plot of $(La/Sm)_N$
1148 vs. (Y + HREE) contents including the compositional track records of apatite if monazite and
1149 xenotime, respectively, decrease its crystallization rate (“decreasing influence”); type 3 apatite
1150 compositional field is outlined to stress the low REE values.

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1155 **Figure 1.** (a) Summarized geological map of the Central Iberian Zone (CIZ) displaying the two
1156 main batholithic areas referenced in this paper: the Spanish Central System (SCS) and the
1157 Montes de Toledo (MT). (b) Geological map of the Belvís pluton modified from Pérez-Soba et
1158 al. (2014). Sample location of granites with analyzed apatite included in Appendix¹ Table 1
1159 (black asterisk: type 1 apatite; white asterisk: type 2 apatite; number sign: type 3 apatite).

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1161 **Figure 2.** Outcrop features of the wall-rock and the Belvís pluton granites: (a) and (b) Schist
1162 Greywacke Complex, a monotonous sequence of metapelites and metasamites variably
1163 affected by contact metamorphism. (c) Cordierite-bearing muscovite leucogranite (G1)
1164 exhibiting magmatic foliation and abundant cordierite-quartz nodules. (d) Muscovite-bearing
1165 biotite leucogranite medium grained (G3), with a well defined magmatic foliation (parallel to
1166 the pencil).

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1168 **Figure 3.** Photomicrographs (plane-polarized light) in samples from G3 Belvís granite showing
1169 textural features and its relationships with the main-rock forming minerals: (a) Thin section of
1170 a sample from the G3 granite from the Belvís pluton, with orange dots pointing the localization
1171 of type 2 apatite crystals. (b) Apatite type 2 crystals showing the typical dusty and anhedral
1172 appearance, with frequents microcraks. (c) Type 2 apatite, exceptionally clear, but including
1173 graphite isolated filaments, most of them showing radial disposition. (d) Cluster of three dusty
1174 and anhedral type 2 apatite crystals interlocked mainly with biotite and muscovite. (e) Type 2
1175 apatite crystals interlocked with k feldspar, biotite, muscovite and quartz.

TABLE 1. General features of fluorapatite types in the Belvís granite units

	TYPE 1	TYPE 2	TYPE 3
Occurrence in the Belvís granite units G1 G2 G3 G4 more evolved ← less evolved	G1-G2-G3-G4	G2-G3-G4 (more abundant in the least fractionated granite)	G1 (the highest fractionated granite)
Apatite appearance	clear, greenish	dusty	feathery aggregate
Apatite shape	<u>euhedral (equant)</u> to anhedral	<u>anhedral (interlobate)</u> to euhedral	<u>anhedral</u> to subhedral
Apatite size	90% crystals: 20- 600 μm 10% crystals: 900-2000 μm	250 – 2000 μm	50 - 3000 μm
Framework position	hosted in feldspars, quartz and micas	interstitial	interstitial
Remarkable mineral association		graphite inclusions	occasional inclusions of childrenite-eosphorite
Main chemical features	MnO < 4.30 wt% FeO _t < 2.53 wt% REE + Y = 2125 – 9150 ppm High U contents (156 - 460 ppm) Na ₂ O < 0.24 wt (except. one of 0.46 wt%) LREE = 1231 - 2932 ppm Sr = 33-81 ppm Eu anomaly = 0.072 -0.794	LREE = 3163 - 4048 ppm Sr = 67-203 ppm Eu anomaly = 0.076 -0.233	MnO < 4.17 wt% FeO _t < 5.09 wt% (mainly as Fe ₂ O ₃) Low Y, REE contents (bdl) Low U contents (< 75 ppm) Na ₂ O = 0.16 - 0.83 wt% High Sr contents (1596 – 2490 ppm) Significant Cl, Li, B, Be, Zn contents
Notes: Childrenite-eosphorite serie: (Fe, Mn) ²⁺ Al(PO ₄)(OH) ₂ · H ₂ O; bdl = below detection limits; FeO _t = Fe total expressed as FeO.			

TABLE 2. Carbon isotope composition for metasedimentary wall-rocks and granites of the Montes de Toledo batholith

Lithology	Sample	weight (mgr)	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ (‰)	$\pm 1\sigma$
Slates (SGC)	110194	1.4	-31.00	0.22
	111966	6.2	-32.49	0.30
Navalmoral de la Mata granites	106804	41.6	-29.24	0.53
	110183	41.9	-32.78	0.11
Belvís granites	106792 (G1)	40.2	-27.38	0.18
	106796 (G2)	42.5	-25.20	0.21
	111401 (G3)	41.2	-24.35	0.05

Note: SGC = Schist Greywacke Complex; G1, G2 and G3 are granite units of the Belvís pluton.

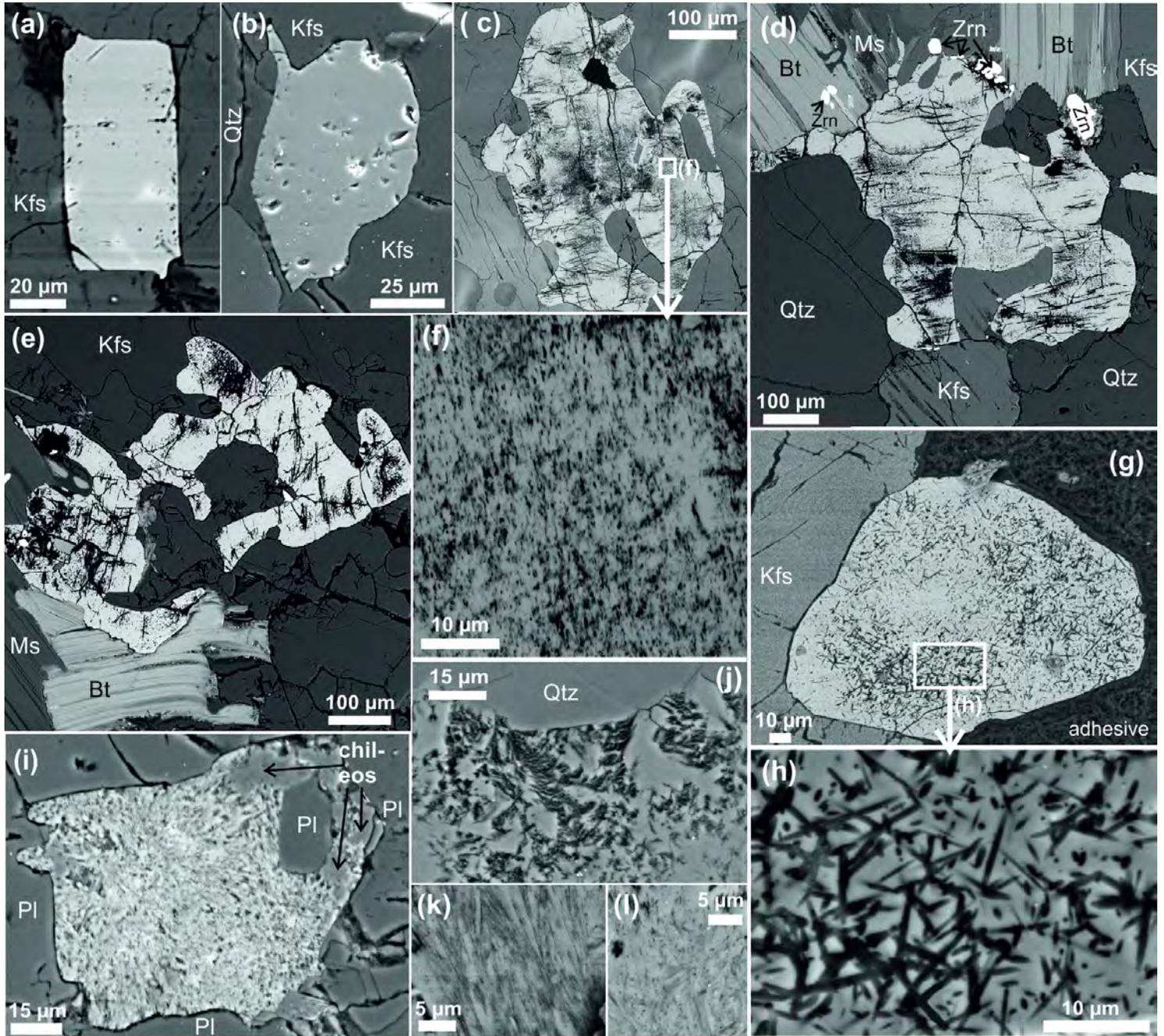


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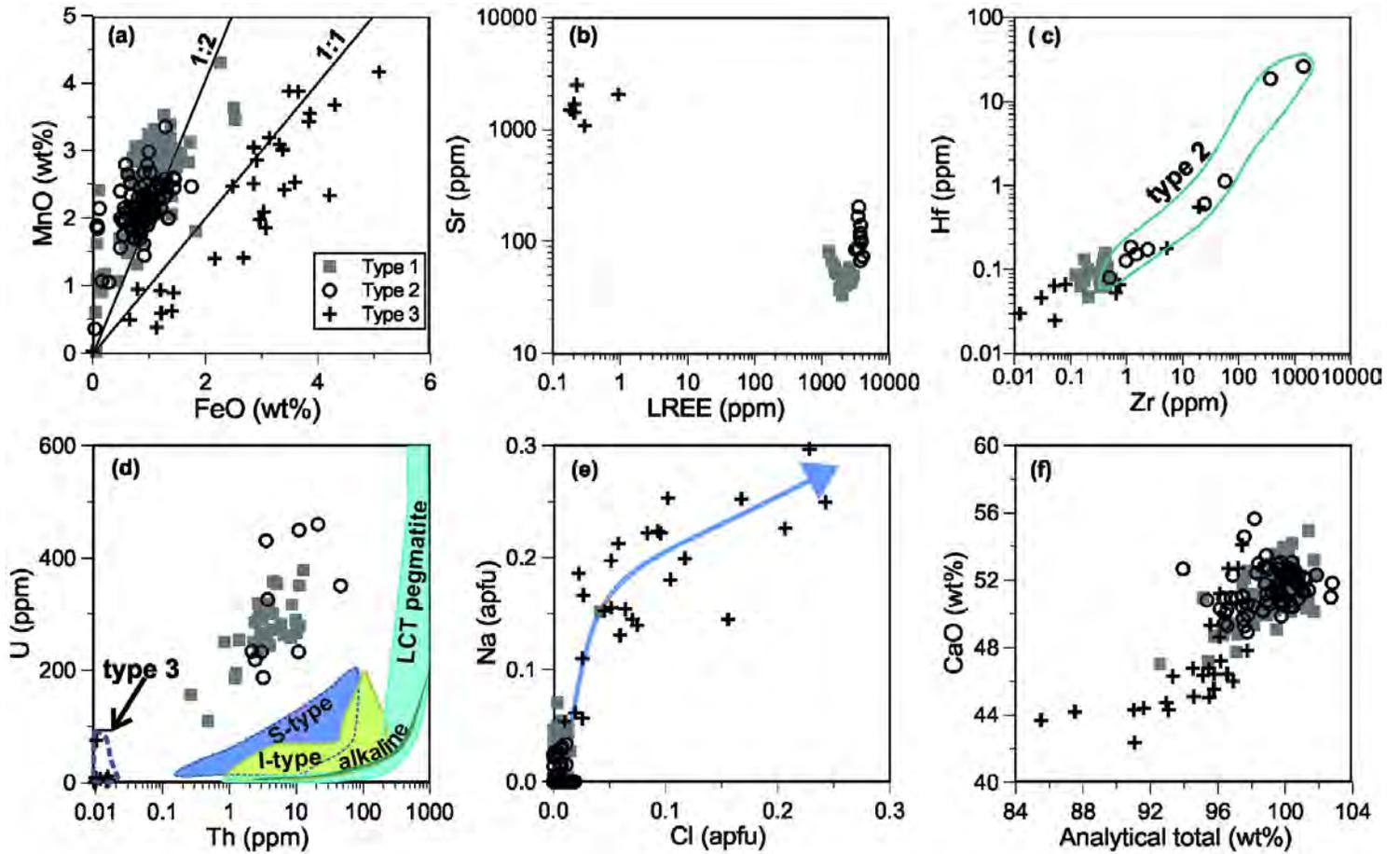


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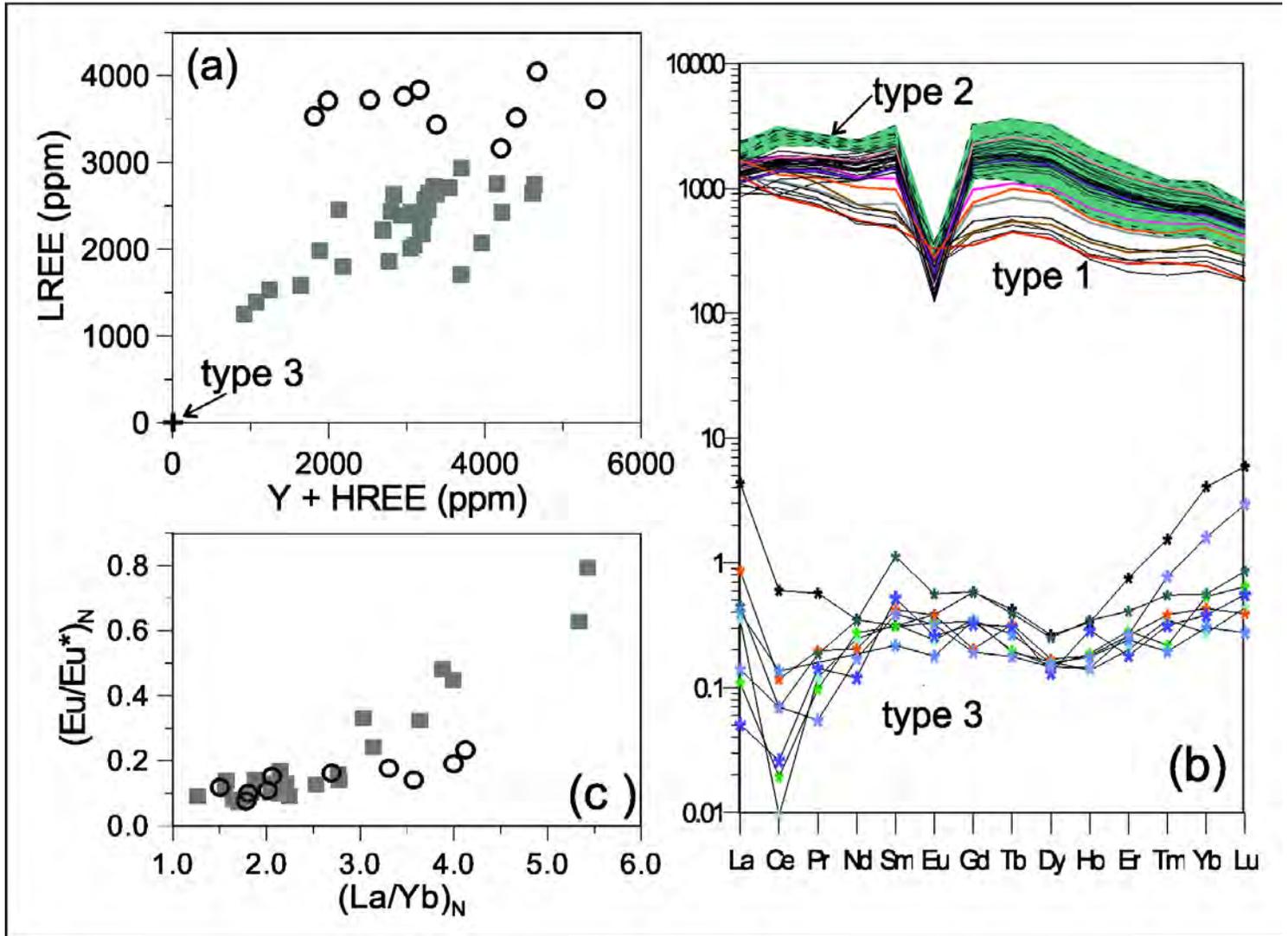


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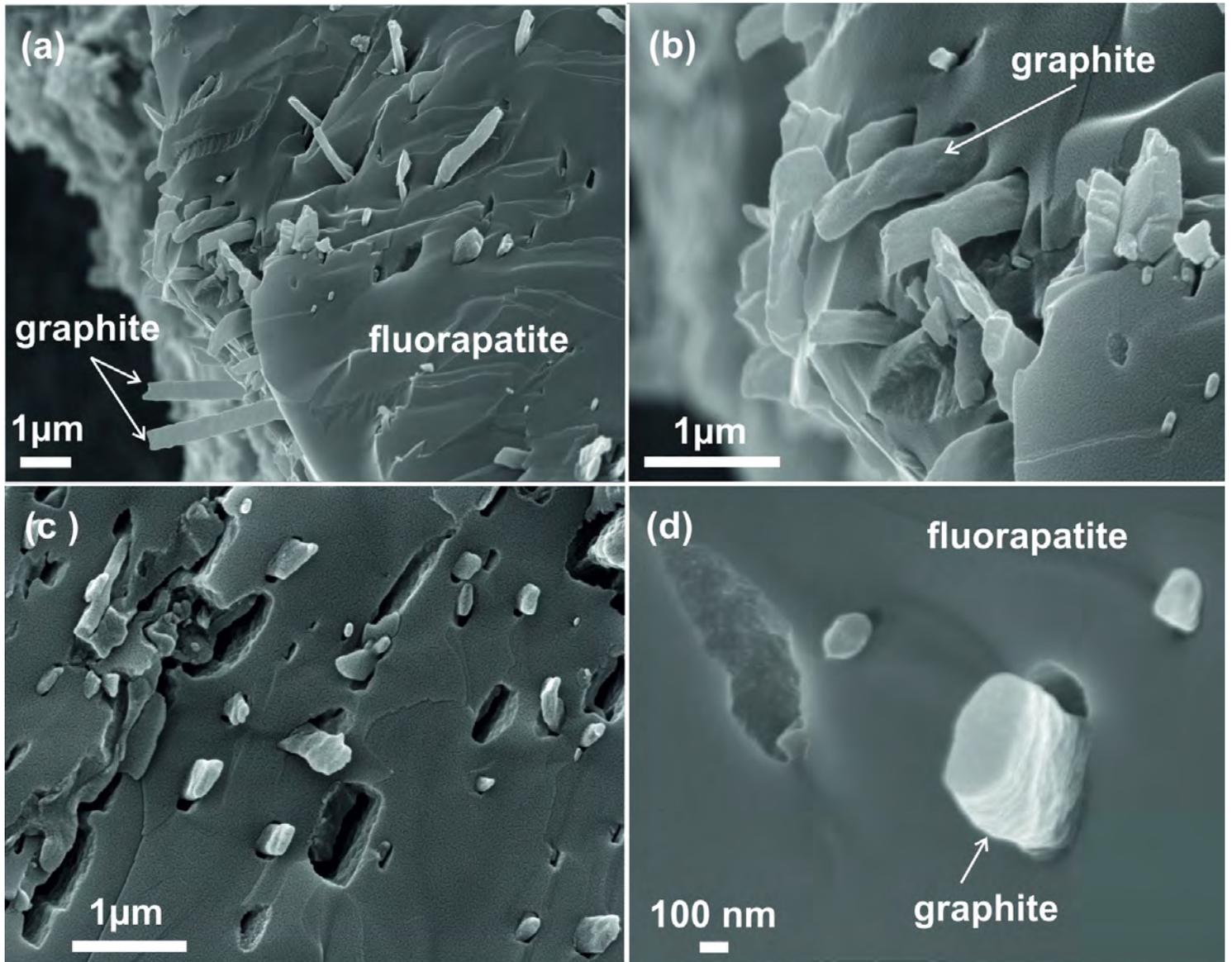


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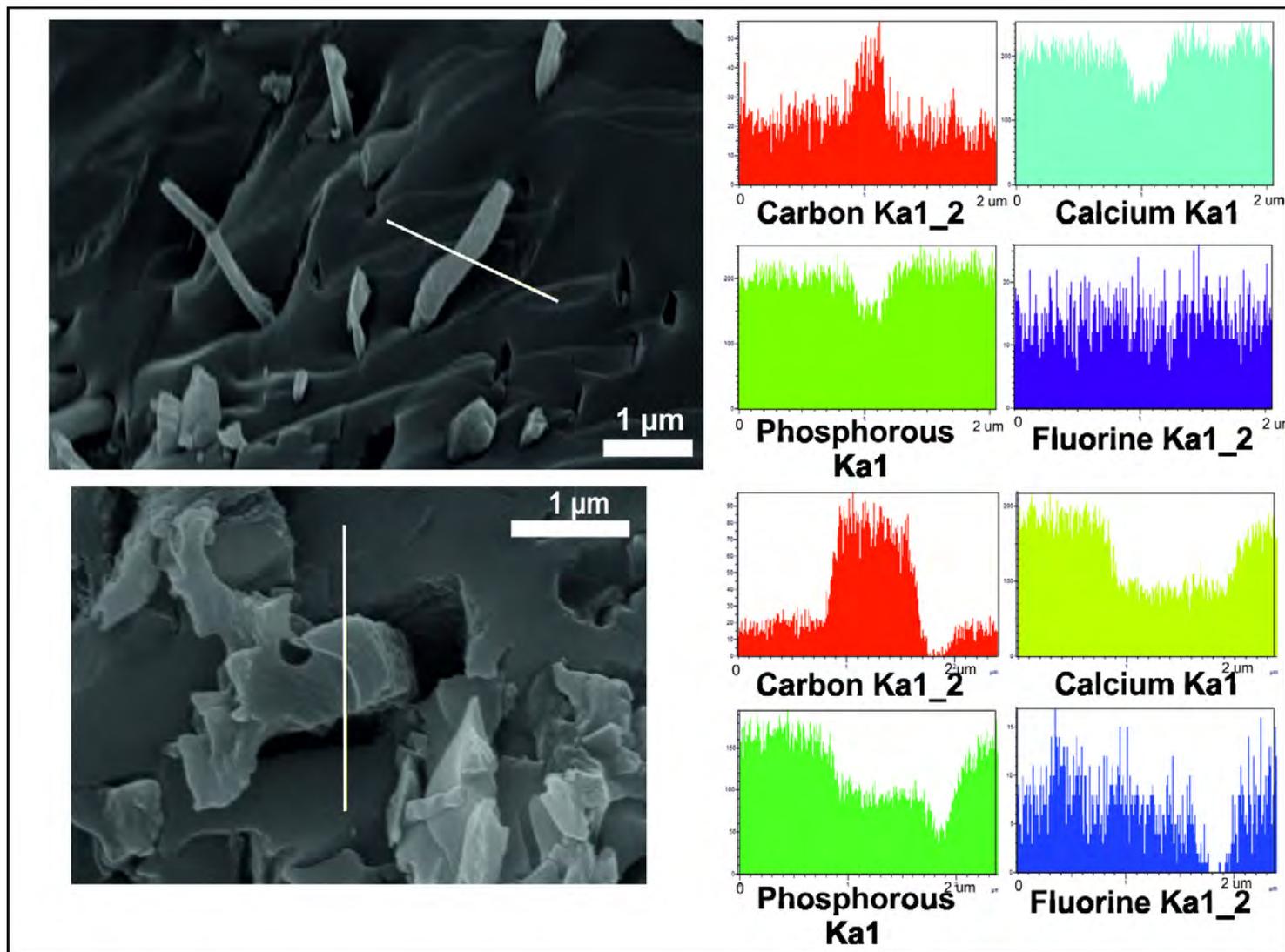


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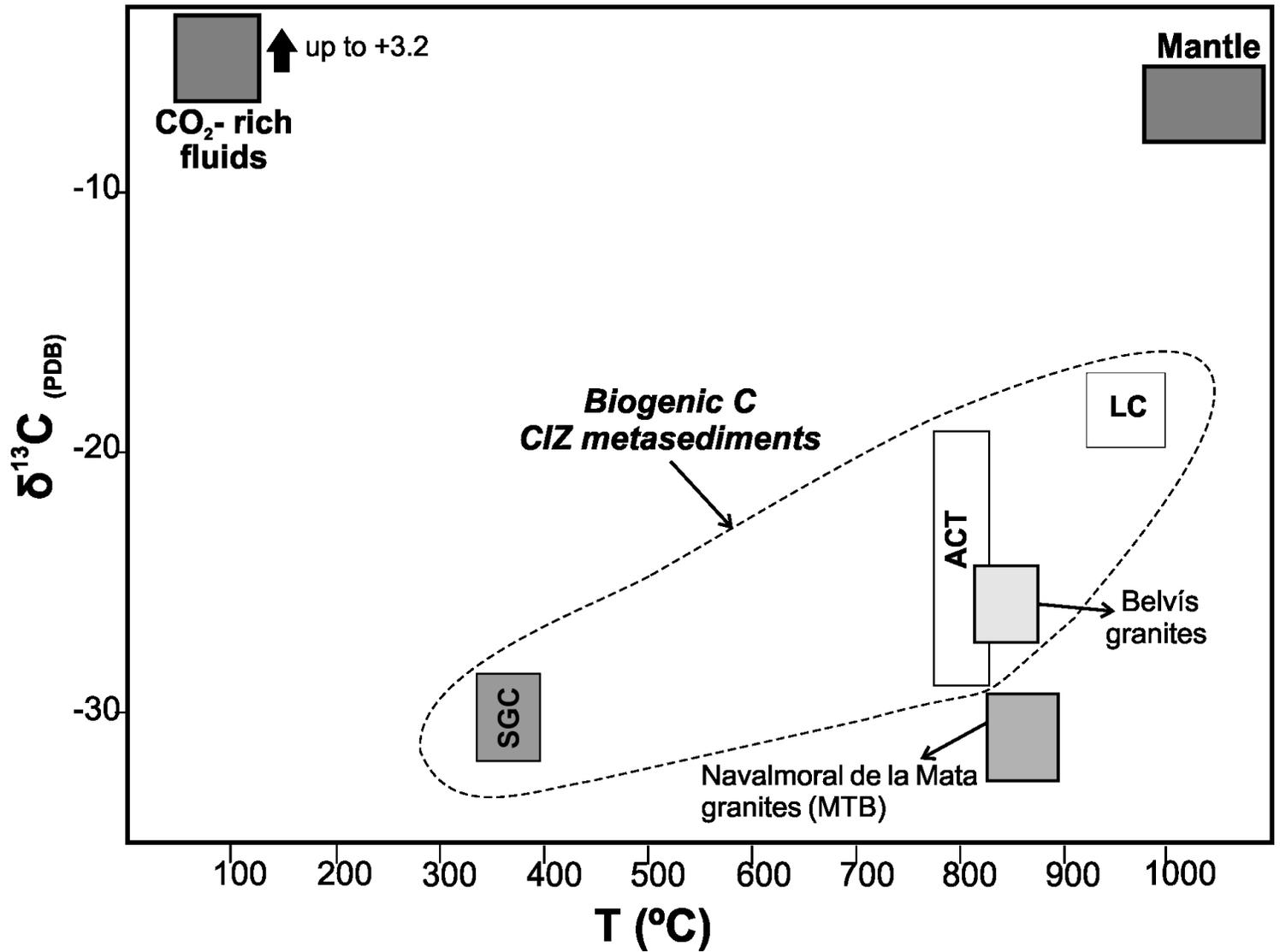


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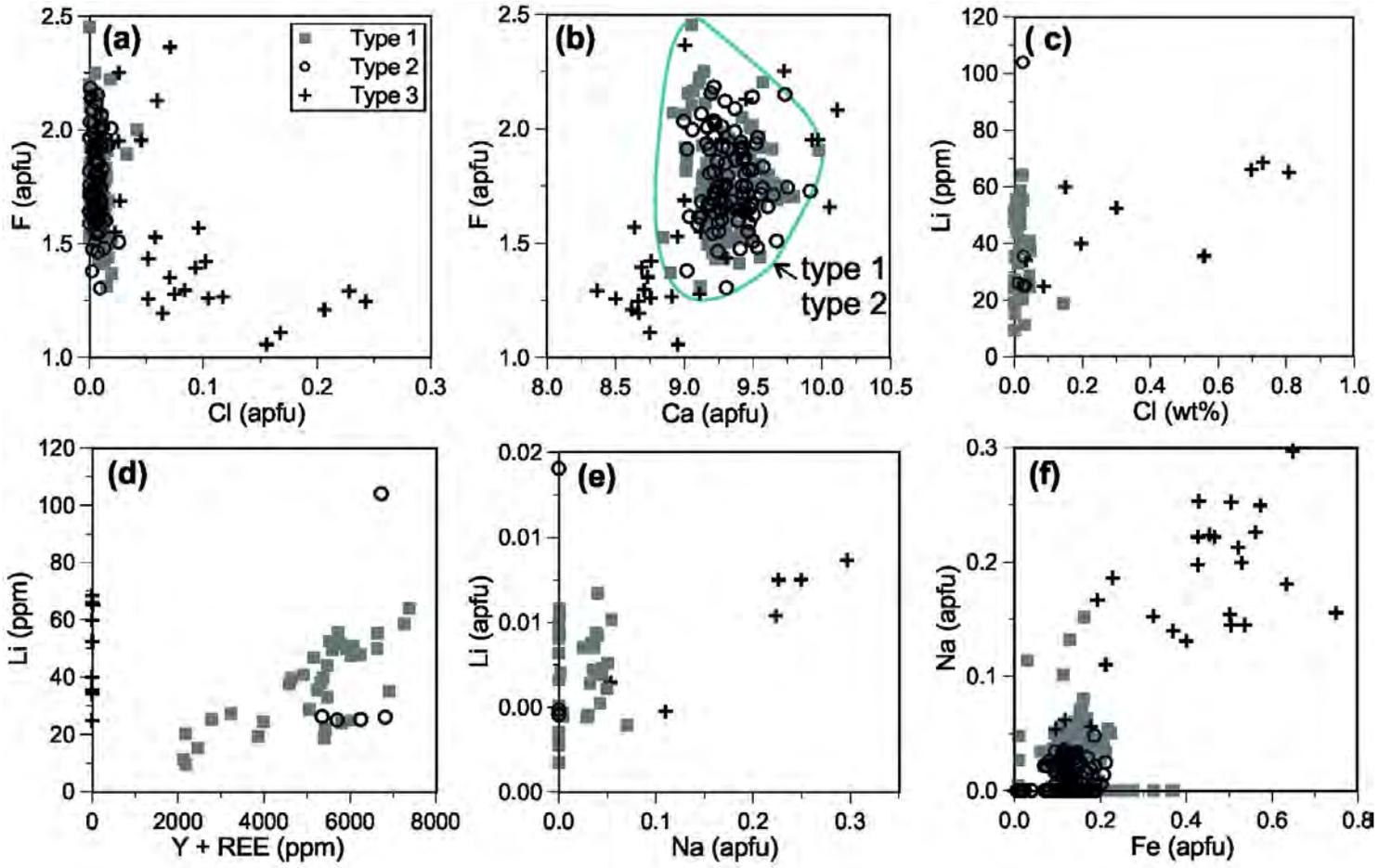


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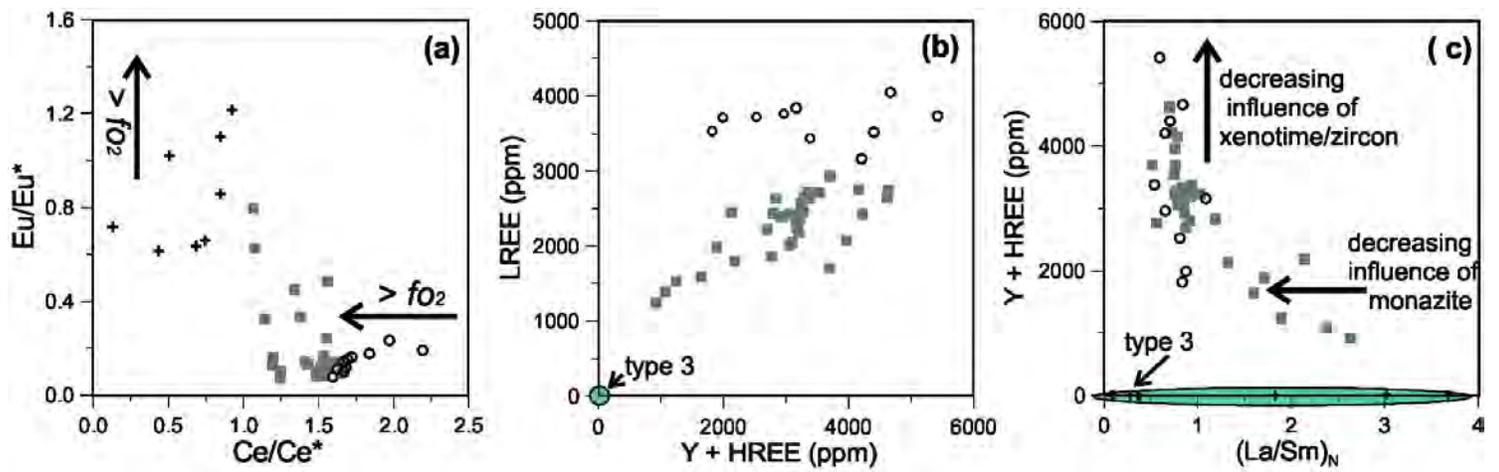


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