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Abstract: The activity of volatile-rich fluids may be important in the evolution of basaltic magmatic systems and associated precious metal ore formation. There is evidence for Cl-rich fluids within the Stillwater Complex (Montana, USA), which have been linked to platinum and palladium mineralisation in the economically important J-M Reef ore body. We present the first dataset for heavy halogens (Cl, Br and I) and natural noble gas isotopes in bulk rock and mineral separates from the Peridotite Zone and the Olivine-Bearing Zone I of the Stillwater Complex, including samples from the J-M Reef and G Chromitite bodies. Our data reveal concentrations of 4 to 13500 ppm for Cl, 26 ppb to 360 ppm for Br and <1 ppb to 9 ppm I over

25 the whole sample set. Chlorine, Br and I correlate well with each other implying a shared
26 process and/or distribution in mineral species. Bromine/Cl and I/Cl ratios span a range from
27 0.3 to 35×10^{-3} and 5 to 900×10^{-6} by weight, respectively, encompassing MORB-like to more
28 enriched compositions, particularly for Br/Cl. High Br/Cl ratios compared to MORB in some
29 Stillwater samples suggest fractionation of halogens during the exsolution of a volatile-rich
30 fluid, to explain the most Br-enriched samples. More generally, the presence of minerals such
31 as scapolite, hornblende and apatite in the most halogen-enriched samples suggests that the
32 halogen-bearing fluids were derived from cooling of the intrusion rather than late-stage (low
33 temperature) metamorphism. The combined halogen abundance and noble gas isotope
34 datasets imply that crustal contamination may have played a limited role in the crystallisation
35 of pegmatoids and the G Chromitite but is not required to account for the halogen budget of
36 the J-M Reef. High halogen contents in the sulfide-bearing J-M Reef and associated lithologies
37 are consistent with the influence of fluid-related activity during PGE-reef formation, lending
38 weight to the hydromagmatic model for mineralisation in the Stillwater intrusion. Our new data
39 also imply chalcophile tendencies of Br and I over Cl in sulfides in natural systems, hinting at
40 the importance of sulfide liquid interaction with halogen-rich fluids in the formation of sulfide-
41 hosted precious metal ore deposits.

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Introduction

44 Layered mafic-ultramafic intrusions represent the solidified remnants of basaltic magmatic
45 systems (Wager and Brown, 1968; Parsons, 1987; O'Driscoll and VanTongeren, 2017). These
46 bodies are therefore important repositories of information for the geochemical and petrological
47 processes that operate during the solidification of magma in the Earth's crust. An abundance
48 of evidence in layered intrusions, including within the ~2.06 Ga Bushveld Complex (South
49 Africa; Scoates and Wall, 2015) and the ~2.71 Ga Stillwater Complex (Montana, USA; Wall et
50 al. 2018), suggests that postcumulus processes such as recrystallisation and metasomatism
51 of the partly-to-completely solidified crystal mush pile by late-stage volatile-rich fluids occurred

52 (e.g., Stumpfl, 1974; Schiffries, 1982; Stumpfl and Rucklidge, 1982; Boudreau and McCullum,
53 1986; Boudreau et al., 1986, Boudreau, 1999; Meurer et al., 1999; Willmore et al., 2000;
54 McBirney, 2002; Hanley et al., 2008; Schannor et al., 2018; Su et al. 2020). The postcumulus
55 circulation of volatile-bearing (e.g., halogen; F, Cl, Br, I) fluids may lead to the alteration of
56 primary igneous assemblages, the formation of pegmatoidal bodies and the complexing and
57 redistribution of base- and precious-metal species (Schiffries, 1982; Boudreau, 1999, 2016;
58 Meurer et al., 1999; Willmore et al., 2000).

59 A number of layered intrusions host economic abundances of the precious metals, such as
60 the platinum-group elements (Os, Ir, Ru, Rh, Pt and Pd; PGE). The PGE typically occur in
61 stratiform (but not stratabound) layers referred to as 'reefs', and a handful of such ore bodies
62 dominate global supply of Pt, Pd and Rh (e.g., the reefs of the Bushveld Complex account for
63 ~75%, ~52% and ~82% of worldwide production of these metals, respectively; Mungall and
64 Naldrett, 2008). The petrogenesis of PGE-bearing reefs has been a topic of substantial
65 debate, traditionally dominated by two main opposing schools of thought – either
66 mineralisation has a high temperature magmatic origin, or it occurs by late-stage metasomatic
67 processes. The orthomagmatic models emphasise the role of sulfide in scavenging and
68 enriching the PGE (e.g., Campbell et al., 1984), whereas the metasomatic models invoke the
69 interaction between metal-rich fluids and near-solid cumulates. The presence of halogens,
70 and in particular Cl, may be key for the metasomatic models, because it acts as a complexing
71 agent for the PGE, allowing their mobilisation and redistribution into reefs (e.g., Boudreau and
72 McCullum, 1986; Boudreau et al. 1986; Boudreau, 1999, 2016; Meurer et al. 1999; Willmore
73 et al., 2000). However, experimental studies on the solubility of the PGE in Cl-bearing fluids
74 appear to suggest that temperature also plays an important role here: at temperatures <500
75 °C Pt and Pd are not notably soluble (e.g., Gammons, 1996; Scholten et al., 2018; Bazarkina
76 et al., 2014), whereas at temperatures >500 °C (some PGE may be extremely soluble in Cl-
77 bearing fluids; e.g., Simon and Pettke, 2009; Tagirov et al., 2019; Simakin et al., 2021; Sullivan
78 et al., in revision).

79 The primary aim of this study is to constrain the composition and provenance of late-stage
80 magmatic fluids, with a focus on halogen geochemistry, in the Stillwater Complex (**Fig. 1**). A
81 corollary aim is to evaluate potential links between volatiles and mineralisation by analysing
82 PGE-enriched materials for their halogen abundances. The Stillwater Complex is an
83 appropriate locality to carry out this work because multiple lines of evidence point toward the
84 activity of late-stage high temperature Cl-rich fluids within the intrusion (Boudreau and
85 McCullum, 1986; Boudreau et al. 1986; Boudreau, 1999, 2016; Meurer et al. 1999; Hanley et
86 al., 2008). This evidence includes the occurrence of pegmatoidal bodies, which cross-cut
87 layering throughout the intrusion and 'pothole'-like features, which are particularly evident in
88 close proximity to the main Stillwater PGE-bearing ore body, the Johns-Manville (J-M) Reef
89 (Boudreau, 1999). At the mineral-scale, hydrous minerals such as biotite and amphibole occur
90 in textural equilibrium with other primary phases, and as inclusions in Cr-spinel and apatite,
91 as well as amphibole replacing igneous pyroxene (Page and Zientek, 1987). Phases in which
92 the halogens occur in appreciable quantities (e.g., apatite, phlogopite, amphibole) generally
93 occur in trace abundances throughout the intrusion and are also considered to have
94 crystallised from late-stage interstitial melts. In particular, chlorapatite compositions dominate
95 from the G Chromitite up through to the level of the J-M Reef, with Mg-rich biotite mica and
96 amphibole also displaying relatively unusually Cl-rich compositions in the Ultramafic Zone
97 (Boudreau and McCullum 1986; Boudreau et al. 1986), an observation that has been used to
98 suggest a fluid control (see also **Fig. 2**). Detailed work by Hanley et al. (2008) on fluid inclusion
99 assemblages in lithologies below the J-M Reef supports this conclusion; the latter authors
100 argued for the exsolution of magmatic volatiles with consequent near-solidus modification of
101 the crystal pile in the vicinity of the ore body.

102 Despite the evidence for metasomatism, key questions remain about the timing and extent of
103 volatile activity in the Stillwater Complex. This is due, in part, to the need to distinguish
104 between the effects of high temperature metasomatism during cooling of the intrusion and a
105 relatively late-stage low temperature (low greenschist facies) metamorphic overprint affecting

106 some portions of the body. More generally, there are also analytical difficulties in measuring
107 the low-abundance halogens in the rocks that comprise most of the intrusion, in which hydrous
108 phases are generally rare-to-absent. Here we report heavy halogen (Cl, Br and I) data from
109 samples of pegmatoid and PGE-mineralised materials in the Ultramafic and Lower Banded
110 Series of the Stillwater Complex, as well from massive sulfides in the footwall of the intrusion.
111 The heavy halogens can provide powerful insights into volatile-related processes in igneous
112 systems (Aiuppa et al. 2009). This is due to their generally incompatible nature in silicate
113 minerals (instead preferring to enter fluid or melt phases). They are also considered to be
114 excellent tracers for the source(s) of fluids (Schilling et al. 1980; Kendrick et al. 2014) and are
115 fractionated during cycling between surface and biogeochemical reservoirs (e.g., the Earth's
116 I budget is strongly dominated by organic sediments; Muramatsu and Wedepohl, 1998). Our
117 new data comprise the first bulk rock and mineral separate Br and I measurements for the
118 Stillwater Complex, and shed new light on the source of volatiles in the intrusion and the
119 relationship/timing of fluid activity to sulfide-hosted PGE enrichment.

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Geological Setting

121 The Stillwater Complex, Montana (USA; Fig. 1), is a partially-exposed layered intrusion (~42
122 km length and ~6 km thick; Page and Zientek, 1985) that crops out along the Beartooth uplift.
123 A crystallisation age of 2701 ± 8 Ma (Sm-Nd; DePaolo and Wasserburg, 1979) for the
124 Stillwater has recently been superseded by high precision U-Pb dating of zircon, baddeleyite,
125 titanite and rutile to give a range of crystallisation ages over 2712-2709 Ma (Wall et al. 2018).
126 The Stillwater Complex intruded a sequence of Archean (~3270 Ma; Nunes and Tilton, 1971)
127 metasedimentary rocks (i.e., volcanoclastic shale, greywacke, breccia, quartzite and banded
128 iron formation; Page, 1977; Labotka and Kath 2001). Sills, dikes and small bodies of massive
129 sulfides are also present in the footwall of the complex which field observations and isotopic
130 dating (**Fig. 2**; Premo et al. 1990) indicate are pre- to contemporaneous with intrusion of
131 Stillwater magmas (Boudreau, 2016, and references therein). The occurrence of sulfide-
132 bearing sills and dikes together with the massive sulfide bodies has been attributed to the

133 injection of sulfide-rich mafic norites or the downward migration of immiscible sulfides during
134 crystallisation of the lowermost cumulates (Page, 1979). However recent mineralogic,
135 geochemical and isotopic investigations have suggested that the massive sulfides are of
136 sedimentary origin, i.e., formed from sulfide minerals in the original sedimentary protolith (e.g.,
137 Smith et al. 2017; Ripley et al. 2017). The Stillwater Complex was subsequently tilted during
138 the Late Cretaceous Laramide Orogeny (McCallum, 1996) to its current position. Geophysical
139 measurements indicate that the intrusion continues at depth for 25-30 km as a north-dipping,
140 relatively flat sheet (Abbot et al., 2011), extending ~30 km to the north and ~40 km to the east
141 (Finn et al., 2013, 2016). The Stillwater Complex is considered to have been emplaced at
142 upper- to mid-crustal depths (Thomson, 2008; Hanley et al. 2008) and to have intruded over
143 50 Ma (Mogk and Mueller, 1990; Thomson, 2008) after an earlier low-pressure regional
144 metamorphic event (525-550°C and 2 kbar; Labotka and Kath, 2001). A subsequent (~1.7 Ga)
145 low-grade regional metamorphic event produced localised greenschist facies mineral
146 assemblages (Nunes and Tilton, 1971); however, alteration is relatively limited and the rocks
147 retain much of their primary igneous mineralogy (e.g., **Fig. 3a**).

148 The stratigraphy of the Stillwater Complex is divided into three main series and consists from
149 bottom to top of the Basal, Ultramafic and Banded Series, respectively (**Figs. 1,2**). The Basal
150 Series comprises a lower norite (plus subsidiary anorthosite, gabbro and peridotite), grading
151 upwards to orthopyroxenite (bronzitite; Page, 1979; McCallum, 1996). The base of the
152 Ultramafic Series is demarcated by the first significant appearance of olivine, whilst its top
153 boundary is placed at the first appearance of primocrystic plagioclase (McCallum, 1996). The
154 Ultramafic Series is further subdivided into the lower Peridotite Zone (PZ) and upper Bronzitite
155 Zone (BZ). The PZ is comprised of cyclic units (21 at Mountain View; Raedeke and McCallum,
156 1984) of peridotite-harzburgite-bronzitite, in which olivine ± orthopyroxene ± chromite are the
157 major phases (McCallum, 1996). Disseminated or massive chromitite occurs in layers at the
158 bases of many of these cyclic units (**Fig. 2**), labelled A (lowermost) to K (uppermost; Jones et
159 al. 1960), of which the G and H seams are the thickest (>1 m thick; McCallum, 1996). Sulfides

160 and chlorine-rich apatite are also found in trace amounts in some of the chromitite layers
161 (Boudreau and McCallum, 1989).

162 The chromitite layers are generally enriched in IPGE (i.e., iridium-group platinum-group
163 elements; Os, Ir, Ru) that are predominantly held in platinum-group minerals such as laurite,
164 whereas Pd and Rh are in sulfide (pentlandite, chalcopyrite and millerite) minerals (Barnes et
165 al. 2016; Prichard et al. 2017). The major carriers of Pt are platinum-group minerals that are
166 microstructurally associated with base-metal sulfides (Barnes et al. 2016). The E, G and H
167 chromitites have relatively low Pt + Pd concentrations (e.g., 10 to 40 ppb for the G Chromitite)
168 compared to the other (A, B, C, I, J, K) chromitite layers, with a collective range of 100 to 3000
169 ppb Pt + Pd (Zientek et al., 2002; Barnes et al., 2016). The BZ contains orthopyroxene
170 primocrysts and is relatively uniform in appearance, with the exception of rare thin layers
171 containing olivine ± chromite (McCallum, 1996).

172 Subdivisions of the Banded Series vary, but it is generally separated into the Lower Banded
173 Series (LBS), Middle Banded Series (MBS) and Upper Banded Series (UBS) following the
174 definitions of McCallum et al. (1980) and Raedeke and McCallum (1984). The LBS is divided
175 into six units, of which Olivine-bearing zone I (OB-I) is host to the PGE-rich J-M-Reef (**Fig. 2**),
176 a PGE deposit with the highest grade of Pt+Pd (~18 ppm) of all known PGE reefs (Zientek et
177 al. 2002). The J-M Reef is generally ~2 m thick, though it may thicken in 'ballroom' structures
178 (or at times be completely absent) from the succession. Sulfides enriched in the PGE are
179 found in stratigraphically narrow zones in the J-M Reef and consist primarily of pyrrhotite,
180 pentlandite and chalcopyrite, together with PGE-bearing arsenides and platinum-group
181 minerals such as moncheite, cooperite, braggite, kotulskite and Pt-Fe alloys (McCallum, 1996;
182 Godel and Barnes, 2008). Broadly, the PGE (except Pt) are mainly (50-80%) hosted in
183 pentlandite and pyrrhotite, with the remainder sited in platinum-group (sulfide) minerals
184 (Heyse, 1983; Godel and Barnes, 2008; Mansur and Barnes, 2020). Discordant pegmatoid
185 bodies occur sporadically in the Ultramafic Series and in the Lower Banded Series below the
186 J-M Reef and are interpreted as pods and veins of late-stage volatile-rich fluids or channel-

187 ways resulting from the migration of fluids through cumulates (Braun et al., 1994). The
188 pegmatoid bodies are often mineralogically, if not texturally, identical to their host rocks (Braun
189 et al. 1994).

190 The recent U-Pb geochronological study of Wall et al. (2018) proposes that the Stillwater
191 Complex is composed of an out-of-sequence series of sub-volcanic sills intruded over a ~3
192 Myr interval, rather than solidifying from a single large magma chamber. In particular, the G
193 Chromitite of the PZ is interpreted by Wall et al. to have crystallised at 2710.32 ± 0.46 Ma
194 ($^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ age; 2σ), emplaced below the pre-existing Bronzitite zone; a pegmatitic
195 feldspathic orthopyroxenite from the base of the Bronzitite Zone is dated at 2711.35 ± 0.38
196 Ma. The J-M Reef crystallized at ~2709 Ma (Frog Pond Adit 2709.11 ± 0.56 Ma; East Boulder
197 Mine, 2709.28 ± 0.32 Ma; West Fork area, 2709.00 ± 0.45 Ma; Wall et al., 2018), younger than
198 some of the overlying rocks (e.g., a MBS leucogabbro yields a $^{207}\text{Pb}/^{206}\text{Pb}$ age of $2710.44 \pm$
199 0.32). The out-of-sequence interpretation of these U-Pb ages has not gone unchallenged
200 (Latypov, 2019).

201 **Sample Descriptions and Analytical Techniques**

202 **Sample Descriptions**

203 The samples studied here were selected to evaluate whether rocks that represent late-stage
204 magmatic melts (i.e., pegmatites) and PGE-enriched rocks preserve evidence for significant
205 halogen mobility in the Stillwater intrusion, as predicted by the hydromagmatic model for
206 mineralisation (cf. Boudreau, 2016, and references therein). A sample of the G Chromitite
207 layer was analysed, together with an adjacent (~1 m) pegmatoid. Two samples of the J-M
208 Reef (from the Mountain View and Frog Pond Adit localities) were analysed, as well as two
209 associated (stratigraphically underlying) pegmatoids. A sample of massive sulfide from the
210 footwall of the Stillwater Complex was also analysed to elucidate the effects of localised
211 massive sulfide formation on the halogens. Further details (sample numbers, locations,

212 mineralogy, petrographic information etc.) of each of the samples are provided below and in
213 **Table S1**.

214 **G Chromitite (ST_16_002)**. The G Chromitite studied here was sampled on the Mountain
215 View Section, where Cr-spinel-rich peridotite alternates with chromitite. It contains ~30-50
216 vol.% Cr-spinel and ~30-55 vol.% coarse-grained olivine, with the remainder comprising
217 plagioclase, clinopyroxene, as well as accessory amounts of biotite mica and sulfides. The Cr-
218 spinel commonly forms a chain-texture around subhedral-euhedral olivine crystals, and the
219 latter may contain smaller (~200 μm) inclusions of Cr-spinel (**Fig. 3a**). Intra-crystal fractures
220 containing alteration phases (e.g., serpentine) are evident in the majority of the olivine grains.
221 Plagioclase feldspar occurs in the interstices between olivine crystals and often encloses or is
222 associated with Cr-spinel crystals. Minor compositional zoning is evident in plagioclase
223 feldspar and minor secondary alteration is locally observed at plagioclase-olivine crystal
224 boundaries.

225 **Pegmatoid associated with G Chromitite (ST_16_003)**. Coarse-grained (>2 mm)
226 orthopyroxene (bronzite) dominates (60-70 vol.%) the mineralogy of the pegmatoid associated
227 with the G Chromitite, sampled ~1 m from ST_16_002. Orthopyroxene exhibits clinopyroxene
228 exsolution and commonly contains inclusions of Cr-spinel, as well as minor amounts of apatite
229 (**Fig. 3b**). Plagioclase feldspar is abundant (~15-20 vol.%) and occurs in the interstices
230 between orthopyroxene crystals. The plagioclase exhibits compositional zoning and
231 microstructural evidence of subsolidus strain. Clinopyroxene (~10 vol.% of sample) also
232 occurs in interstitial areas and may completely enclose Cr-spinel crystals. Secondary
233 amphibole locally occurs around the edges of clinopyroxene crystals. Biotite mica is present
234 in minor proportions, associated with Cr-spinel and quartz crystals.

235 **Sulfide-bearing J-M Reef (ST_16_004)**. The J-M Reef sample from the Mountain View
236 section of the Stillwater Mine is generally coarse-grained (**Fig. 3c**) and dominated by
237 clinopyroxene and olivine (~60 vol.%), which has been partially (or locally entirely) replaced
238 by serpentine and chlorite. Coarse-grained sulfides, principally pentlandite and chalcopyrite

239 with subordinate pyrrhotite, are abundant (~30 vol.%) in this sample. The remaining ~10 vol.%
240 comprises coarse-grained plagioclase feldspar, which is relatively unaltered, as well as minor
241 amounts of biotite and apatite.

242 **Sulfide-deficient J-M Reef (ST_16_008).** This sample of J-M Reef material comes from near
243 to the Frog Pond Adit area of the Stillwater Complex and is conspicuous by its lack of sulfide
244 or any platinum-group mineral phases. Coarse-grained, euhedral, relatively unaltered
245 plagioclase comprises ~70 vol.% of the rock, with orthopyroxene (bronzite) and clinopyroxene
246 occurring interstitially (**Fig. 3d**). Minor amounts of oxides and alteration phases are also
247 present.

248 **Pegmatoid samples below sulfide-deficient J-M Reef (ST_16_009 and ST_16_011).** A
249 pegmatoidal vein (ST_16_011) sampled within ~1 m (below) of the J-M Reef (ST_16_008)
250 consists primarily of ~1-2 mm plagioclase feldspar primocrysts (~50 vol.%), which exhibit
251 varying degrees of alteration and in some cases compositional zoning. Orthopyroxene in most
252 cases is cumulus (~15 vol.%, ~0.5-2 mm grainsize) and may be altered. Clinopyroxene and
253 olivine are interstitial and commonly altered to amphibole and serpentine, respectively. Where
254 plagioclase is in contact with serpentine (and in some cases amphibole), it displays coronas
255 of clay minerals and talc; in some cases, the talc completely pseudomorphs the orthopyroxene
256 (**Fig. 3e**). Other accessory alteration phases include zeolite and epidote. Another pegmatoid
257 (ST_16_009) was sampled ~200 m below the J-M Reef (ST_16_008). The sample is
258 characterised by extensive alteration; scapolite (~30 vol.%) has in most cases entirely
259 replaced plagioclase feldspar (**Fig. 3f**), though some rare relict euhedral grains of the latter
260 are still present (**Fig. 3g**). Euhedral amphibole crystals with grainsizes of ~1-4 mm comprise
261 ~20 vol.% of the sample. Quartz (~30 vol.%) is interstitial and ranges in size from ~0.5 to 3
262 mm (**Fig. 3f**). The sample also contains serpentine (**Fig. 3g**) and talc, as well as oxides.

263 **Massive sulfide (ST_16_005).** This sample was collected from within the hornfels
264 immediately below the footwall contact of the intrusion, on the Mountain View section. Sulfides

265 (i.e., chalcopyrite, pyrrhotite and pentlandite) form ~80-90 vol.% of the sample, with the
266 remainder dominated by clay minerals (**Fig. 3h**).

267 **Analytical Techniques**

268 **Electron microscopy.** Chlorine and major element mapping of key samples was carried out
269 using the Cameca SX-100 electron microprobe (EPMA) and Thermo Scientific™ Quanta™
270 650 Environmental Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) at the University of Manchester,
271 Mapping on the EPMA was carried out using an accelerating voltage of 15 kV and a 20 nA
272 beam current, whilst a 20 kV accelerating voltage and 6 µm spot size was employed for
273 mapping on the SEM. EPMA maps are quantified for Cl (plus major elements including Si, Al,
274 Na, Fe, Mg, S and P), whereas the SEM maps display relative concentrations only.

275 **Neutron-irradiation noble gas mass spectrometry (NI-NGMS).** Halogen and natural noble
276 gas abundances were measured simultaneously utilising the neutron-irradiation noble gas
277 mass spectrometry technique at the University of Manchester (NI-NGMS; Ruzié-Hamilton et
278 al., 2016). Samples were first cleaned (weathered rinds removed, sanded down and cleaned
279 with isopropanol), then coarsely-crushed and picked under a binocular microscope. In addition
280 to bulk sample preparation, sulfide mineral separates were picked from the J-M Reef
281 (ST_16_004), amphibole (hornblende) separates from pegmatoid ST_16_009 below the J-M
282 Reef and orthopyroxene separates from the pegmatoid associated with the G Chromitite
283 (ST_16_003). Approximately ~10-15 mg of each sample was then wrapped in Al foil and
284 placed in a silica tube. Irradiation monitor minerals (scapolites BB1, BB2/SY; Kendrick 2012;
285 Ruzié-Hamilton et al., 2016) and ^{40}Ar - ^{39}Ar and I-Xe geochronology standards Hb3Gr
286 hornblende and Shallowater enstatite (Turner et al., 1971; Brazzle et al. 1999) were distributed
287 throughout the tube to monitor irradiation parameters (Table S2). The silica tubes were then
288 sealed with a flame under vacuum and irradiated for 24 hours at the University of Missouri
289 Research Reactor on the 18/04/2018. Neutron conversion [(n, γ , β reactions) resulted in the
290 production of proxy noble gas isotopes; ^{38}Ar from Cl, $^{80,82}\text{Kr}$ from Br, and ^{128}Xe from I.

291 Once irradiated, the analyses were carried out over two sessions; one in November 2018 and
292 a second set in December 2019, with a total of 3-4 replicate analyses per sample. Sample
293 sizes for the first set of analyses were between 2-4 mg for measurement of the halogens and
294 natural noble gases (e.g., ^{40}Ar , ^{84}Kr and ^{130}Xe) and other elements accessible by this technique
295 (e.g., K, Ca, Ba). The focus of the second session in 2019 was exclusively on halogens, with
296 much smaller sample sizes 0.2 mg – 2 mg to reduce sample gas release. After irradiation,
297 samples ST_16_003, ST_16_008 and ST_16_009 and the 2019 set of ST_16_011, were
298 separated into two components and measured separately due to sample size issues (see
299 Table 1). The mafic portion of ST_16_003 (the G Chromitite pegmatoid) consists of
300 orthopyroxene and biotite mica, whilst the felsic portion is predominantly plagioclase feldspar.
301 Clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene, plus secondary serpentine and amphibole comprise the mafic
302 portion of the S-poor J-M Reef (ST_16_008), whereas the felsic portion is dominated by
303 plagioclase feldspar. The mafic fraction of the J-M Reef pegmatoid (ST_16_009) is principally
304 amphibole(s) plus serpentine, whilst the felsic portion is primarily composed of quartz,
305 plagioclase feldspar and scapolite. Sample ST_16_011 consists of a mafic portion including
306 clinopyroxene, orthopyroxene and olivine (plus serpentine and amphibole), and a felsic portion
307 dominated by plagioclase plus talc and clay minerals.

308 Samples were placed in 3 mm diameter by 5 mm deep holes drilled into an Al disk which was
309 placed in a laser cell and heated to 120°C for 12 hours under UHV. A Cetac Fusion CO₂ laser
310 (55 W) was employed to liberate noble gases from samples in single fusion steps, using a
311 maximum laser output power of ~20 W with a 3 mm beam diameter. The noble gases were
312 purified using Zr-Al getters, one of which was at room temperature and the other at 400°C,
313 then expanded into a Thermo Scientific™ Argus VI™ static vacuum mass spectrometer.
314 Krypton and Xe isotopes were collected in peak-hopping mode on the compact discrete
315 dynode (CDD) electron multiplier, while five Faraday detectors and the CDD were utilised in
316 multi-collection mode for the measurement of Ar isotopes. Air calibrations were performed
317 daily to monitor instrument sensitivity and mass discrimination. Blank determinations were

318 performed every 2-3 measurements. Blank contributions for Cl and Br were typically <5%,
319 whilst blank contributions for I were generally <13%. The noble gas isotope data were
320 corrected for decay of ^{37}Ar and ^{39}Ar and neutron interference reactions before conversion to
321 halogen abundances, and K parent element abundances determined from the irradiation
322 monitor minerals (Table S2). Halogens and major elements are reported in ppb, ppm and wt%,
323 with 1 standard error reported.

324 **Results**

325 **Element Mapping**

326 Element X-ray mapping reveals relative areas of Cl-enrichment in the pegmatoid samples (i.e.,
327 ST_16_003, ST_16_009), as well as the J-M Reef sample (ST_16_004), the pegmatoid vein
328 below the J-M Reef (ST_16_011) and the massive sulfide sample (ST_16_005). No Cl-rich
329 minerals are evident from the mapping of the G Chromitite (ST-16_002) or the sulfide-deficient
330 J-M Reef (ST_16_008) samples. Subhedral crystals of near end-member chlorapatite (with
331 ~6 wt% Cl) represent the main halogen-bearing phase in ST_16_003 (**Fig. 4a,b**), though
332 accessory biotite may also contribute to the Cl budget of the rock. The pegmatoid sample
333 (ST_16_009) associated with the J-M Reef hosts minor amounts of Cl-bearing apatite;
334 however, most Cl appears to be hosted in phases associated with alteration of plagioclase
335 feldspar (e.g., scapolite; **Fig. 4c, Fig. S.1**), as well as amphibole and serpentine. Scapolite is
336 the bulk Cl-carrier in ST_16_009 and appears to be intermediate, between the meionite and
337 marialite end-members, in composition (**Fig. 4d**). Sample ST_16_009 exhibits at least two
338 populations of amphibole; magnesio-hornblende, which is the dominant amphibole phase, and
339 ferro-hornblende. The ferro-hornblende appears to replace the magnesio-hornblende and is
340 slightly more Cl-enriched (**Fig. 4c, Fig. S.1**). The J-M Reef sample (ST_16_004; **Fig. 4e**)
341 contains apatite, which has a lower Cl abundance (i.e., ~3 wt% Cl) compared to the G
342 Chromitite pegmatoid apatite. Chlorine-bearing alteration phases (e.g., serpentine) and veins
343 cross-cutting the primary mineral assemblage are also observed in the J-M Reef sample
344 ST_16_004; these are not as Cl-rich as the apatite and some also display Fe enrichment (**Fig.**

345 **4f)**. Alteration phases (veins and primocryst coronas of serpentine and talc) appear to be
346 relatively enriched in Cl in the pegmatoid sample ST_16_011 (**Fig. 4g**). Evidence for modest
347 Cl-enrichment is present in the clay minerals of the massive sulfide sample (ST_16_005; **Fig.**
348 **4h**).

349 **Heavy Halogen Abundances in the Stillwater Complex**

350 The halogen abundance and ratio data of individual and replicate samples of the Stillwater
351 Complex are presented in Table 1 and in **Figure 5**. Inter-sample variability, representing the
352 natural heterogeneity within samples, can be high between mafic and felsic portions of the
353 same sample (i.e., up to ~2 orders of magnitude). In general, variation is highest within the
354 bulk pegmatoid (ST_16_009) and bulk J-M Reef (ST_16_004) samples. Variation between
355 mineral separates is generally low, particularly for Br and I, but varies by up to a factor of 5 for
356 Cl abundances. Overall, halogen concentrations range from 4 to 13500 ppm for Cl, 26 ppb to
357 360 ppm for Br and <1 ppb to 9 ppm for all samples analysed. Well-developed positive
358 correlations are observed between samples for Br versus Cl and I versus Cl and (**Fig. 5**).
359 Bromine and Cl values define an array lying above the seawater reference ratio line (**Fig. 5a**),
360 whilst in I versus Cl space, the sample array lies above that of the seawater line and just below
361 or on that of the MORB line (**Fig. 5b**). The J-M Reef samples and the associated pegmatoid
362 vein (ST_16_004, ST_16_008 and ST_16_011, respectively) are grouped between the
363 seawater and MORB reference ratio lines.

364 Halogens in bulk rock samples from the J-M Reef (ST_16_004 and ST_16_008; n = 4 and n
365 = 3, respectively) span a range of 6 – 641 ppm Cl, 103 – 6420 ppb Br and 0.6 – 29.1 ppb I.
366 Halogen concentrations are systematically lower in the sulfide-deficient J-M Reef sample (**Fig.**
367 **5**), with maximum concentrations of 346 ppm, 763 ppb and 9 ppb for Cl, Br and I, respectively
368 (Table 1). For ST_16_008, the plagioclase-dominant felsic fraction reveals consistently lower
369 halogen concentrations of 36 - 45 ppm Cl, 103 - 359 ppb Br, and 0.6 – 4.4 ppb I, than the
370 mafic (pyroxene plus secondary amphibole and serpentine) component which has 47 - 346
371 ppm, 213 - 763 ppb and 3 - 9 ppb Cl, Br and I, respectively. In the sulfide separate (n = 4)

372 from ST_16_004, halogen concentrations are generally lower than the J-M Reef bulk rock
373 measurements, with maximum concentrations of 50 ppm Cl, 617 ppb Br and 5.9 ppb I, but
374 more enriched than the plagioclase (felsic) component of ST_16_008.

375 The pegmatoid from below the J-M Reef (ST_16_009, n = 6) displays the highest halogen
376 contents of all samples studied here (by an order of magnitude; Table 1 and **Fig. 5**). Chlorine
377 appears to be more enriched in the mafic component of the sample, with 2830 – 13500 ppm
378 Cl, compared to 169 – 10100 ppm in the felsic component (the latter comprising scapolite,
379 plagioclase and quartz). The felsic component displays the highest I and Br abundances, with
380 360 ppm Br and 9.2 ppm I. However, the overall concentrations of halogens are broadly similar
381 between the two components (Table 1). Amphibole separates from ST_16_009 (n = 3) exhibit
382 maximum Cl concentrations of 3030 ppm and significantly lower (than bulk rock) Br and I
383 contents of 620 – 820 ppb and 16.5 – 17.9 ppb, respectively (**Fig. 5**). The pegmatoid vein
384 sample (ST_16_011, n = 4) also reveals relatively high halogen concentrations (maximum 871
385 ppm Cl, 6.6 ppm Br and 33.5 ppb I), particularly compared to the adjacent J-M Reef sample
386 (ST_16_008; **Fig. 5**). The mafic separates from ST_16_011 are enriched by at least an order
387 of magnitude in Cl, Br and I compared to the felsic phases (**Table 1**). The pegmatoid
388 associated with the G Chromitite (ST_16_003, n = 3) has relatively low halogen contents of 6
389 – 76 ppm Cl, 46 – 780 ppb Br and 1.9 – 15.3 ppb I, compared to ST_16_009. The mafic
390 component of ST_16_003 has concentrations of 627 - 780 ppb Br, which is notably higher
391 than the felsic component (with concentrations of 46 - 248 ppb Br; **Table 1**) for this sample.
392 Orthopyroxene separates from ST_16_003 (n = 3) exhibit halogen concentrations of 26 - 76
393 ppm Cl, 107 - 334 ppb Br and 10.9 – 15.3 ppb I, with slightly higher Cl and I contents overall
394 than indicated by the bulk measurements (**Fig. 5**). The G Chromitite (ST_16_002, n = 4) bulk
395 sample has maximum concentrations of 105 ppm Cl, 1.6 ppm Br, and 13.2 ppb I. This Br value
396 is significantly higher than that of the associated pegmatoid (ST_16_003; **Fig. 5**).

397 The massive sulfides from the Stillwater contact zone (ST_16_005, n = 4) exhibit relatively
398 low halogen concentrations compared to the Stillwater intrusion samples, of 4 - 27 ppm Cl, 26
399 - 186 ppb Br and 0.7 – 1.9 ppb I (**Table 1, Fig. 5**).

400 **Noble Gas Isotope Systematics**

401 The natural noble gases were measured concurrently with noble gases produced from neutron
402 irradiation; the data are presented in **Table S2** and **Figure 6**. Noble gas isotopes are also a
403 useful diagnostic tool to assess the provenance of fluids, particularly the $^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ and
404 $^{84}\text{Kr}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ ratios, which complement the halogen measurements well as their compositions for
405 air, MORB, seawater and sedimentary reservoirs are well-characterised (Matsuda and
406 Nagano, 1986; Staudacher and Allègre, 1988; Moreira et al., 1998; Holland and Ballentine,
407 2006; Kendrick et al., 2013). The 2018 set of analyses yielded data with low enough
408 uncertainties to allow meaningful comparisons to be made with these reservoirs (**Fig. 6, Table**
409 **S2**). Overall, the Stillwater samples span an area in $^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ and $^{84}\text{Kr}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ space from
410 MORB-like values for each ratio (MORB: $^{84}\text{Kr}/^{36}\text{Ar} = 0.05$, $^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar} \sim 1 \times 10^{-3}$; Moreira et al.,
411 1998; Holland and Ballentine, 2006) to the marine sedimentary field (i.e., with a range of
412 $^{84}\text{Kr}/^{36}\text{Ar} = 0.1\text{--}0.2$ and $^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar} = 2\text{--}3 \times 10^{-3}$; Matsuda and Nagano, 1986; Staudacher and
413 Allègre, 1988). The G Chromitite pegmatoid orthopyroxene separate (ST_16_003) exhibits
414 the highest $^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ ratios of 2.6×10^{-3} to 4.7×10^{-3} . The J-M Reef samples (ST_16_004 and
415 ST_16_008) and associated pegmatoids (ST_16_009 and ST_16_011) plus the massive
416 sulfides (ST_16_005) appear to cluster slightly closer to the MORB value (i.e., do not extend
417 far into the sedimentary field in $^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ space).

418 **Discussion**

419 The new halogen data from the Stillwater Complex point towards the existence of halogen-
420 enriched fluids during the evolution of the intrusion, in agreement with previous studies (e.g.,
421 Boudreau et al., 1986; Hanley et al., 2008, Boudreau, 2016). High-Cl contents for Stillwater
422 lithologies, ranging up to 13500 ppm in pegmatoid ST_16_009, suggest the addition and/or

423 enrichment of Cl in the Stillwater magmatic system. This is because most mafic silicate melts
424 contain a maximum of 0.5-1.0 wt.% Cl (Webster et al., 1999). The behaviour of Br and I
425 provides insight into the provenance and evolution of halogen-bearing fluids in the intrusion.
426 In particular, halogen ratios of Br/Cl and I/Cl may be utilised to discriminate between various
427 fluid reservoirs (**Fig. 5**; e.g., White et al. 1963; Collins and Egleson, 1967; Carpenter, 1978;
428 Bohlke and Irwin, 1992; Muramatsu and Wedepohl, 1998; Kendrick et al. 2014). Iodine/Cl
429 ratios for the Stillwater Complex range from close to established MORB values ($60 \pm 30 \times 10^{-6}$
430 wt. I/Cl; Kendrick et al., 2012a; 2013; 2014) to slightly more enriched I/Cl (5 ± 1 to 900 ± 331
431 $\times 10^{-6}$ wt. I/Cl; **Fig. 5c**). Bromine/Cl ratios exhibit variation from MORB-like ($2.86 \pm 0.6 \times 10^{-3}$
432 wt.; Kendrick et al., 2012; 2013; 2014) to highly-enriched values, with a maximum of $35.3 \pm$
433 0.1×10^{-3} wt. for the J-M Reef pegmatoid (ST_16_009; **Fig. 5**). Overall, the Stillwater halogens
434 correlate positively with one another (**Fig. 5a,b**), which suggests some commonality in the
435 mineral phases hosting them in the different samples, or possibly a single fluid source and/or
436 similar partitioning behaviour within the intrusion.

437 **Evaluating the Effects of Late-Stage Metamorphism on Halogen Budgets**

438 The hydromagmatic model for PGE mineralisation in the Stillwater intrusion invokes the
439 presence of relatively high temperature ($\gg 500$ °C) fluids derived from cooling of the magma
440 body. In order to fully evaluate halogen behaviour in this context, it is important to first assess
441 the possible effects of subsequent low temperature alteration by non-magmatic (metamorphic)
442 fluids. Field, textural, geochemical and isotopic studies have attributed recrystallisation,
443 localised ore-tenor downgrading and alteration of host rock compositions to low temperature
444 (<400 °C) fluid activity during lower greenschist-facies metamorphism of the Stillwater
445 intrusion at ~1700-1600 Ma (Nunes and Tilton, 1971; Page, 1976, 1977; McCallum et al.,
446 1980; 1999; Boudreau and McCallum, 1990; Czamanske and Loferski, 1996; Lechler et al.
447 2002; Polovina et al. 2004). In the materials studied here, hydrothermal alteration is evident
448 in those samples associated with the J-M Reef, manifested by fractures associated with semi-
449 pervasive alteration of primary igneous assemblages to Ca-Mg-hydroxysilicates (**Fig. 2c**;

450 Volborth et al. 1986; McCallum et al. 1980; 1999; Czamanske and Loferski, 1996; Polovina et
451 al. 2004). Sample ST_16_004 exhibits microstructural alteration characteristic of the J-M Reef
452 (**Figs. 2c, 3d,e**) with moderately halogen- and Fe-rich veins cross-cutting primary igneous
453 minerals; some of these veins appear to be linked to the partial serpentinization of the sample.
454 The pegmatoids associated with the J-M Reef (ST_16_009 and ST_16_011, respectively) also
455 exhibit extensive alteration (e.g., serpentine, talc, alteration coronas).

456 Hanley et al. (2008) reported fluid inclusions in Stillwater rocks that preserve evidence for both
457 magmatic and metamorphic fluid activity. In particular, these authors made a detailed study of
458 a pegmatoidal body in Gabbronorite I of the LBS and, in addition to a suite of high temperature
459 halide melt and brines (discussed below), they observed late-stage secondary inclusions
460 containing regional metamorphic fluids hosted in quartz. The secondary inclusions recorded
461 $\text{CaCl}_2\text{-MgCl}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$ solutions of low to moderate salinity and trapping conditions between 125
462 and 225°C, at zeolite facies conditions. The fluids therefore cooled before entrapment and
463 were attributed by Hanley et al. (2008) to the ~1.7 Ga metamorphic event. Hanley et al. (2008)
464 suggested that these fluids became somewhat enriched in Cl due to the consumption of H_2O
465 (and exclusion of Cl) during the formation of hydroxysilicates (e.g., chlorite). As the
466 temperature decreased during the waning stages of metamorphism to zeolite-facies
467 conditions, the fluids may therefore have concentrated dissolved salts (Hanley et al., 2008).

468 Although low temperature metamorphism may have affected rocks that had already
469 experienced high temperature metasomatism, multiple lines of evidence suggest that the
470 halogen budgets of the samples studied here are not a consequence of the former. For
471 example, element mapping shows that apatite hosts the most significant halogen
472 concentrations in ST_16_004 (**Fig. 4e**), but as apatite is cross-cut by the Fe-rich veins it is
473 most likely to pre-date the low temperature serpentinization event (see also Boudreau et al.,
474 1986). In addition, in ST_16_009, which contains the highest abundances of halogens in our
475 dataset, amphibole and particularly scapolite are the main Cl carriers in the sample. It is
476 unlikely that lower greenschist facies metamorphism would provide sufficient temperature to

477 cause scapolisation of plagioclase feldspar and amphibole crystallisation (**Fig. 3c,d,f, Fig.**
478 **S.1**), as observed in this sample. Indeed, scapolisation of plagioclase feldspar has been
479 attributed to the infiltration of NaCl fluids at 600-700°C in metagabbros of the Bamble
480 Lithotectonic Domain, South Norway (Engvik et al., 2011, 2018). We note that ST_16_005,
481 which contains some clay minerals, has a noble gas isotope (and halogen) composition similar
482 to the samples from the intrusion, suggesting that low temperature alteration has not affected
483 its volatile geochemistry, e.g., by imparting an air-like signature (**Fig. 6a**). Finally, given that
484 there is no systematic difference in Br/Cl and I/Cl ratios (**Fig. 5**) between relatively altered
485 samples (e.g., ST_16_009, ST_16_011) and samples with little to no alteration (e.g.,
486 ST_16_002, ST_16_008), fluids associated with the metamorphic event at ~1700-1600 Ma
487 are not considered to have significantly mobilised or otherwise fractionated the halogen
488 systematics of the samples studied, and the data can be interpreted in the context of high
489 temperature metasomatic processes.

490 **Mineralogical Controls on Halogen Distributions**

491 The pegmatoids (ST_16_009 and ST_16_011) associated with the Frog Pond Adit J-M Reef
492 locality are the most halogen-enriched samples analyzed in this study. In ST_16_009, most
493 of the Cl is hosted in hydrous phases such as scapolite and amphibole. In ST_16_11, the
494 heavy halogens are concentrated mainly in the mafic separates analysed and serpentine
495 shows some Cl enrichment, but on the basis of the bulk rock concentrations we suggest that
496 any low temperature halogen mobilisation in this sample has been localised. (**Fig. 4c,d**). Given
497 the relatively similar partitioning behaviour of the halogens (e.g., **Fig. 5a,b**), we assume that
498 Br and I are also concentrated in or associated with the phases above. The felsic portion of
499 ST_16_009 exhibits the higher Br and I enrichments (359 ppm Br and 9.2 ppm I) compared to
500 the mafic portion; however, the highest Cl contents are recorded in the latter portion (13500
501 ppm), which is dominantly comprised of amphibole. The amphibole separate for ST_16_009
502 displays preferential Cl-enrichment over Br and I (as might be expected from experimental
503 partitioning behavior; e.g., Svensen et al. 2001; Kendrick et al. 2013; **Fig. 5**), which follows

504 the relative Cl-enrichment observed in the mafic fraction over the felsic fraction seen in this
505 sample. However, at least two generations of amphibole are evident in this sample based on
506 petrographic observation (**Fig. 4c, Fig. S.1**). The magnesium-hornblende appears to be
507 earlier-formed but is Cl-poor compared to the ferro-hornblende, which exhibits relative Cl-
508 enrichment, fitting what is known about Cl partitioning into Mg end-member amphibole (and
509 biotite; Volfingier et al. 1985).

510 The mafic portion of the G Chromitite pegmatoid (ST_16_003) exhibits higher overall halogen
511 contents than the felsic fraction (i.e., 627 – 780 ppb Br compared to 46 – 248 ppb Br,
512 respectively; **Table 1**), highlighting the influence of phases such as biotite and amphibole on
513 the distribution of halogens in this sample. Element mapping indicates that the Cl budget of
514 ST_16_003 is also influenced by chlorapatite, which commonly occurs as inclusions in
515 orthopyroxene (**Fig. 4a,b**). Chlorine enrichment is also apparent in apatite from the J-M Reef
516 sample and the pegmatoid below the J-M Reef (ST_16_004 and ST_16_009 respectively; **Fig.**
517 **4d,e**). Apatite is therefore a key halogen-bearing mineral in several of the Stillwater lithologies;
518 for example, a simple mass balance calculation indicates that ~0.3-0.5 vol% of chlorapatite
519 could account entirely for the quantities of Cl and Br measured by NI-NGMS in ST_16_004.
520 Similarly, for the G Chromitite pegmatoid (ST_16_003), maximum Cl and Br concentrations of
521 44 ppm and 545 ppb are consistent with chlorapatite abundances of <0.1 vol%.

522 The highest Cl and Br concentrations in the J-M Reef pegmatoid (ST_16_009) require
523 unrealistic quantities of apatite (8-20 vol%) to account for the measured Cl and Br contents.
524 This quantity of apatite is not observed in ST_16_009; however, Cl is also contained in
525 alteration phases (e.g., serpentine, scapolite, amphiboles; **Fig. 3d**) in this sample. The
526 similarity in halogen contents and ratios between the mafic and felsic components points
527 towards relatively equal distributions between the two fractions; a combination of phases such
528 as amphibole, scapolite and apatite are therefore likely to be the main hosts for the halogens
529 here. The relatively low halogen concentrations of the sulfide-deficient J-M Reef (ST_16_008)
530 or G Chromitite (ST_16_002) compared to the sulfide-rich J-M Reef and associated

531 pegmatoids may be explained by minor (~0.1 vol%) apatite. No hydrous phases were
532 observed in these samples (with the exception of minor amounts – maximum 0.5 vol% – of
533 alteration phases).

534 Although we did not make a detailed study of fluid inclusions in our samples, we note that
535 Hanley et al. (2008) report halide melt and hydrosaline inclusions in quartz from a pegmatite
536 in the LBS. In that context, it is interesting to note that the felsic component of ST_16_009 is
537 relatively enriched in Br and I compared to Cl, and we cannot rule out that fluid inclusions host
538 at least some of the halogens in this and other pegmatoids studied here. However, the
539 fractionation of Cl from Br and I suggests that crystallisation of amphibole in the pegmatite
540 also played a part in controlling the distribution of volatiles in these rocks (see below).

541 **Constraints on the fluid composition(s) and provenance**

542 **An external (crustal) source for the halogens?** Hydrous minerals in equilibrium with a
543 silicate melt acquire low Cl/F ratios; e.g., the anion preference of apatite is $F > OH >> Cl$ (Stormer
544 and Carmichael, 1971; Korzhinskiy, 1982; Kusebauch et al. 2015). Based on the Cl and F
545 contents of natural apatite and associated glass reported by Piccoli and Candela (1994) for
546 the Bishop Tuff and Tuolumne intrusive suite, the Stillwater parental magmas are considered
547 to have had Cl contents ~2 orders of magnitude greater than their F concentrations to produce
548 the interstitial chlorapatite in rocks underlying OB-I in the Stillwater intrusion (**Fig. 2**; Boudreau
549 et al., 1997). The source of the high-Cl content of volatiles in the Stillwater intrusion has been
550 problematic to resolve; the anomalously high and variable Cl/F ratios observed in hydrous
551 minerals in the intrusion have led to a debate over the addition of Cl from external sources
552 versus a high-Cl parental magma to the Stillwater intrusion (Boudreau and Meurer, 1999;
553 Willmore et al. 2000; Willmore et al. 2002). On the one hand, Boudreau et al. (1997) reported
554 crustal-like signatures in $\delta^{37}Cl$ isotope measurements from biotite in the Ultramafic Series and
555 the J-M Reef (ranging from 0.27‰ to -0.93‰). Alternatively, boninitic parental magma (i.e.,
556 sourced from metasomatized depleted mantle), has been proposed to explain the high-Cl
557 content of the Stillwater intrusion, with further processes such as limited crustal contamination

558 and volatile-refining acting to further enrich Cl-contents in fluids within the intrusion (Boudreau
559 et al. 1997; Boudreau, 2016).

560 A recent study of heavy halogens in the Rum layered intrusion (NW Scotland) attributed
561 relatively high iodine concentrations and I/Cl ratios in the Rum cumulates to crustal
562 contamination (Parker et al. 2019). Iodine may act as a sensitive indicator of contamination by
563 organic-bearing sediments due to its biophilic behaviour (Li and Schoemaker, 2003;
564 Muramatsu and Wedepohl, 1998; Kendrick et al. 2017). The Rum intrusion samples span I/Cl
565 ratios from MORB to higher values characteristic of sediments (**Fig. 5**), with I concentrations
566 between 1 and 363 ppb. By comparison, the Stillwater intrusion displays more limited I
567 enrichment, generally falling in a range between 0.6 - 33.5 ppb. The exception is the J-M Reef
568 pegmatoid sample (ST_16_009) with elevated I concentrations of up to 9.2 ppm. Despite these
569 generally low I contents, Stillwater I/Cl ratios span a range from MORB/mantle-like (Kendrick
570 et al. 2012a; 2013; 2014) to more enriched ratios akin to sedimentary values (**Fig. 5c**). The
571 pegmatoids (ST_16_003 and ST_16_009) in particular display elevated I/Cl ratios, whereas
572 the G Chromitite (ST_16_002) has somewhat elevated I/Cl compared to MORB. The I/Cl ratios
573 of the J-M Reef samples (ST_16_004 and ST_16_008), plus associated pegmatoid vein
574 material (ST_16_011), are approximately an order of magnitude lower than the pegmatoids
575 ST_16_003 and ST_19_009. The massive sulfides exhibit I/Cl ratios similar to the G
576 Chromitite.

577 The overall range in I/Cl ratios might be taken to suggest some limited crustal contamination
578 of the Stillwater magmas, as proposed previously (e.g., Wooden et al., 1991; Horan et al.
579 2001; Spandler et al. 2005; Ripley et al. 2017). Noble gas ratios of $^{84}\text{Kr}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ and $^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar}$
580 range between MORB and the marine sediment field ($^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar} = 2.5 \times 10^{-3}$ and $^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar} =$
581 1.3×10^{-3} respectively) for the majority of samples. The G Chromitite (ST_16_002) and
582 associated pegmatoid (ST_16_003) have the highest values (1.9×10^{-3} and 2.6×10^{-3} to $4.7 \times$
583 10^{-3} respectively) that range into the marine sediment field for $^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar}$, suggesting that these
584 samples may have experienced a greater degree of crustal contamination, similar to that

585 observed in the noble gas isotope ratios of the Rum layered intrusion rocks (**Fig. 6**). This trend
586 is somewhat supported by $I/^{36}\text{Ar}$ and $^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ (**Fig. 6b** and Table S2), which shows that the
587 G Chromitite and associated pegmatoid (ST_16_002 and ST_16_003, respectively) and the
588 J-M Reef pegmatoids (ST_16_009 and ST_16_011) range towards the highest $I/^{36}\text{Ar}$ and
589 $^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ values, pointing towards addition of a sedimentary component.

590 Based upon $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ and $\Delta^{33}\text{S}$ analyses of the rocks of the Basal Series, which range from -0.9
591 to +3.0‰ ($\delta^{34}\text{S}$) and +0.01 to +0.18‰ ($\Delta^{33}\text{S}$), Ripley et al. (2017) argued for significant
592 magma-crust interaction at this level of the intrusion. Indeed, Ripley et al. (2017) estimated
593 that ~50% of the S in some samples was of crustal origin. The latter authors measured $\delta^{34}\text{S}$
594 of +8.2‰ in the G Chromitite, suggesting a contribution of crustally-derived S, in contrast with
595 the A, B and C Chromitites which mostly fell in the $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ range of -0.6 to +0.7‰ (more
596 consistent with mantle-derived S). The J-M Reef samples analysed by Ripley et al. (2017)
597 define a range of -1.3 to +1.8‰ $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ and -0.06 to +0.06‰ $\Delta^{33}\text{S}$, suggesting that either crustal
598 contamination was relatively insignificant for the reef and associated PGE enrichment or that
599 any contaminants involved had $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ not distinguishable from accepted mantle values. Given
600 the evidence from other isotopic systems (e.g., $^{143}\text{Nd}/^{144}\text{Nd}$ and $^{187}\text{Os}/^{188}\text{Os}$) that preserve
601 evidence for an Archean crustal component in J-M Reef rocks (Lambert et al., 1994), the latter
602 scenario is more likely. However, our new halogen data mimic the behaviour of the sulfur
603 isotopes in that the I/Cl enrichments above MORB values for the G Chromitite and pegmatoid
604 samples are permissive of them carrying a crustal I signature, whereas the lower I/Cl values
605 for the J-M Reef materials do not preserve such evidence.

606 A plausible local source of I enrichment to the Stillwater magma chamber is the footwall
607 hornfels material, considered to have had marine shale and greywacke protoliths, with a mafic
608 volcanogenic component (Page and Zientek, 1985). Ripley et al. (2017) considered the
609 hornfels as a potential contaminant of the Stillwater magmas, and found these rocks could be
610 grouped into populations on the basis of S isotopes. One population has $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ and $\Delta^{33}\text{S}$ values
611 from 0 to -1.4‰ and +0.06 to +0.32‰, respectively, whereas the second population is

612 characterised by $\delta^{34}\text{S}$ of +1.5 to +3.6‰ and $\Delta^{33}\text{S}$ values from +0.01 to -0.23‰. Ripley et al.
613 (2017) noted that it would require selective contamination by only one hornfels population,
614 which seems unlikely. Whilst it is reasonable to assume that the protolith of the hornfels may
615 have contained appreciable I contents (e.g., up to 30 ± 15 ppm I for marine shales; Kendrick
616 et al., 2017), it is also possible that dehydration caused by pre-Stillwater metamorphism and/or
617 Stillwater intrusion itself could have resulted in halogen loss from the country rocks, though
618 such behaviour is not well constrained (Boneß et al., 1991; Hanley and Koga, 2018). It is also
619 possible that the hornfels protolith was not I-rich, but more of a volcanoclastic greywacke
620 (Page, 1977), such that the original I contents were much lower than the values above (100s
621 ppb; Boneß et al., 1991). Sample ST_16_005 was analysed here to assess the effect of
622 massive sulfide formation on the halogens, given the suggestion that they could have formed
623 from fluids associated with dehydration of the Stillwater country rocks that had mobilised
624 crustal sulfur (Boudreau et al., 2021, and references therein). Despite the relatively low I
625 abundances measured in the massive sulfide (0.7 – 1.9 ppb), it is worth noting that the I/Cl
626 ratio of ST_16_005 lies toward the enriched end (close to the enriched I/Cl pegmatoids and G
627 Chromitite samples) of the array in **Figure 5c**, lending some qualitative weight that the sulfides
628 formed from similar fluids to those that formed ST_16_002. In summary, our new halogen data
629 (particularly the I/Cl ratios and noble gas isotopes) do lend some support to the suggestions
630 of previous workers that the Stillwater intrusion records evidence of limited but locally variable
631 amounts of contamination by crustal fluids.

632 **Relationship of Br/Cl and fluid activity.** One of the most notable features of the Stillwater
633 halogen data is the range from MORB-like to more enriched Br/Cl ratios (**Fig. 5c**). High Br/Cl
634 values are particularly evident in the bulk rock fractions of the pegmatoid ST_16_009. As noted
635 earlier, Br and Cl (and I) contents correlate well across all sample types, suggesting a broadly
636 similar control (i.e., processes or mineralogical controls) on the distribution of all of the heavy
637 halogens. Chlorine, Br and I are highly-incompatible elements in most silicate minerals
638 ($D_{\text{halogen}}^{\text{mineral/melt}} \ll 1$) and should thus behave similarly during progressive crystallisation of

639 magma (Parker et al., 2019). Studies on basaltic glasses have shown that halogens are not
640 fractionated from each other by melting or crystallisation processes at high temperatures
641 (Schilling et al., 1980, Kendrick et al., 2012b); therefore, processes associated with magmatic
642 fractionation are unlikely to influence the halogen ratios observed in the Stillwater Complex.
643 The relatively high Br/Cl ratios are not likely the result of Br addition, as there is no known
644 reservoir enriched in Br over Cl (Hanley and Koga, 2018), and are thus more likely the result
645 of a process involving Cl-loss.

646 Several processes have been proposed to be capable of modifying Br/Cl ratios, including
647 selective incorporation of Cl into minerals (e.g., halite, amphibole; Braitsch, 1971; Kendrick et
648 al., 2013), or density-dependent differential partitioning (Oosting and Von Damm, 1996; Berndt
649 and Seyfried, 1997; Von Damm et al., 2003). The latter process fractionates Cl and Br during
650 vapor–brine separation and phase segregation (e.g., Berndt and Seyfried, 1997; Liebscher et
651 al., 2006). A key process advocated in the enrichment of volatiles in the Stillwater Complex
652 is ‘fluid fluxing’ or ‘volatile-refining’ (Boudreau, 1988; 1999; 2016; Willmore et al. 2000; Hanley
653 et al. 2008). This process is based upon the exsolution and migration of a volatile-rich fluid
654 from solidified/near-solidified cumulates. As the cumulate pile degasses during cooling and
655 crystallisation, this fluid mobilises and migrates upwards, enriching the intercumulus liquids as
656 the crystal pile grows. Sulfur is highly soluble in hydrosaline volatiles (Ulrich et al., 2001);
657 consequently, sulfide minerals are resorbed in the cumulate pile. Once this fluid migrates to
658 hotter, fluid-undersaturated intercumulus liquids, sulfide precipitation is induced, with
659 important consequences for PGE-mineralisation (see below; Boudreau and McCallum, 1992;
660 Boudreau, 1999, 2016). This hydromagmatic model has been likened to slab dehydration and
661 subsequent hydration melting of the overlying mantle wedge during subduction (Benson et al.,
662 2020). During hydration reactions, nominally incompatible elements may partition into mineral
663 phases due to the variable H₂O activity in fluids (Svenson et al., 1999, 2001). Svenson et al.
664 (2001) theorised that during hydration reactions Br/Cl ratios remain constant until the H₂O
665 content is reduced to a level whereby Cl may be removed from solution by crystallisation of

666 hydrous minerals (e.g., amphibole, apatite), as shown by the representative ‘hydration trend’
667 on **Figure 5c** from Svenson et al. (2001). As seen in the mineral separate from the pegmatoid
668 (ST_16_009), amphibole is preferentially enriched in Cl over Br and consequently has a low
669 Br/Cl ratio. The pegmatoid bodies in the Ultramafic and Banded Series are assumed to be
670 representative of fluid-saturated residual fluids migrating through the partially-crystallized
671 cumulate layers (Braun et al., 1994; Hanley et al., 2008). Hence, the enriched Br/Cl ratios in
672 these pegmatoids (**Fig. 5c**) may be the result of preferential removal of Cl by the crystallisation
673 of hydrous minerals occurred at a late-stage in the solidification of the intrusion at low fluid/rock
674 ratios.

675 An interesting feature of the Stillwater data presented here is the remarkably consistent I/Cl
676 and Br/Cl ratios observed across different parts of the intrusion (i.e., the Ultramafic Series and
677 Banded Series), separated by ~1.5 km of stratigraphy. It is also worth noting that there are no
678 apparent groupings in Br/Cl (and I/Cl) between samples that are hydrous mineral-bearing and
679 those that are hydrous mineral-poor (**Fig. 5c**). As noted above, we take this commonality as
680 suggesting the action of either one fluid phase throughout the entirety of the complex, or a
681 shared fluid source (i.e., same provenance). Hanley et al. (2008) described populations of fluid
682 inclusions from a pegmatite-hosted quartz in the LBS, as well as olivine-hosted inclusions from
683 the BZ of the Ultramafic Series. The high temperature fluid inclusions were observed from
684 both localities, and comprise halide melt and brine compositions, as well as carbonic fluids in
685 the pegmatite quartz. Based upon microthermometric data, Hanley et al. (2008) proposed that
686 the range of fluid inclusion compositions reflected a magmatic to hydrothermal continuum, to
687 temperatures as low as ~480°C. The hydrosaline and carbonic fluids are considered by the
688 latter authors to have exsolved from different parts of the cumulate pile (rather than unmixed
689 from one fluid); CO₂ should exsolve first because its solubility is lower than Cl (Webster et al.,
690 1999; Webster, 2004). Hence, Hanley et al. proposed that the carbonic fluid exsolved from a
691 hotter and shallower area of the cumulate pile with CO₂ saturated interstitial liquids, whilst the
692 hydrosaline fluid was exsolved from a deeper part of the cumulate pile that had already lost

693 CO₂ during crystallisation. The two distinct fluids were subsequently trapped in the pegmatoids
694 that acted as pathways for both fluids, albeit without these fluids fully equilibrating with one
695 other. Density-dependent differential partitioning is thought to fractionate Br and Cl in
696 hydrothermal fluids; for example, Foustoukos and Seyfried (2007) found that Br would
697 preferentially partition into the low salinity vapour phase over brines. The presence of two (or
698 more) fluid or volatile phases in the Stillwater intrusion, as described above, indicates a
699 possible mechanism for the fractionation of heavy halogens; however, this does not seem to
700 be consistent with our observations of consistent halogen ratios for the Stillwater sample set.

701 A large range in salinities was also observed by Hanley et al. (2008) between different
702 pegmatoid bodies, which was taken as evidence of changing salinity during entrapment. This
703 variation was attributed by Hanley et al. (2008) to potentially result from a range of processes
704 such as (1) brine exsolution from different batches of residual liquid; (b) a single batch of
705 residual silicate liquid exsolving successive brines that became depleted in incompatible
706 elements; (c) variable mixing by interaction with wall rocks; or (d) incomplete mixing between
707 different brine batches before entrapment. Whilst the resolution of sampling undertaken in this
708 study is insufficient to fully discriminate between these possibilities, the similarity in halogen
709 ratios throughout the sample set points towards a process whereby all fluids have a common
710 provenance. Building on the observations of Hanley et al. (2008), the halogen-rich fluids that
711 subsequently operated throughout the Ultramafic and Banded Series may conceivably have
712 exsolved from a single batch of residual liquid, or residual liquids that were well-mixed.

713 Burgess et al. (2009) attributed high Br/Cl and I/Cl ratios in diamonds from the Panda
714 kimberlite (Canada) to halogen fractionation during the separation of silicic and immiscible
715 saline fluids. This process leads to enrichment of Br and I relative to Cl, as the heavier
716 halogens should be preferentially concentrated in the brine fraction (Bureau et al., 2000;
717 Broadley et al., 2018). The trend towards higher I/Cl and Br/Cl ratios, which is exhibited by the
718 pegmatoid samples (ST_16_003 and ST_16_009) in particular, may therefore be the result of
719 the separation of an immiscible brine phase, similar to that described by Hanley et al. (2008).

720 In summary, our new halogen data are permissive of halogen-rich fluids circulating throughout
721 at least the Ultramafic and Lower Banded Series during solidification of the Stillwater intrusion.
722 The Stillwater mantle source (and thus parental magma) was possibly somewhat enriched in
723 Br/Cl relative to MORB but underwent variable degrees of crustal contamination following
724 dehydration of the footwall country rocks. The exsolution of an immiscible hydrosaline fluid
725 from solidifying cumulates led to (further) fractionation of Br/Cl and I/Cl, and the progressive
726 Br/Cl enrichment observed in the pegmatoids (**Fig. 5c**) was potentially enhanced by the
727 removal of Cl by crystallization of hydrous minerals resulting from hydrous melting and
728 recrystallisation of the Stillwater cumulate pile. Our observations indicate that the halogen
729 budgets of our samples can largely be explained by the observed mineral phases, although
730 we cannot rule out an additional partial control by fluid inclusions, for example in the
731 pegmatites. On the basis of the well-developed correlations observed in the halogen
732 abundances of all samples, we suggest that the fluid phase preserved in inclusions in both the
733 Ultramafic and Lower Banded Series of the Stillwater intrusion and described by Hanley et al.
734 (2008) was the same one responsible for high temperature metasomatism (e.g., scapolisation)
735 observed in the materials described here. Our halogen data do not bear substantially on the
736 current controversy around the possible out-of-sequence emplacement of the Stillwater
737 Complex (Wall et al., 2018). However, if both the Ultramafic and Lower Banded Series were
738 affected by the same metasomatic event, this raises interesting questions for the timescales
739 involved given that some rocks in the Ultramafic Series are purportedly >1 Myr older than the
740 J-M Reef.

741 **Implications for PGE mineralization**

742 Investigations by Zientek et al. (2002) and Barnes et al. (2016) highlighted that the G
743 Chromitite has lower concentrations of Pt + Pd (10 to 40 ppb) compared to many of the other
744 chromitite layers; for example, concentrations of 300 to 3000 ppb Pt + Pd have been reported
745 for the A and B chromitites. Barnes et al. (2016) also reported sulfur-loss from the chromitites
746 for which they suggested several mechanisms; in the context of a hydromagmatic model they

747 suggested that the PGE are exsolved from sulfides during dissolution by a fluid. Palladium
748 and Pt are preferentially removed from some layers, whereas the rest of the PGE are then
749 sited in platinum group minerals included in the chromite. A weakness of this model is the lack
750 of certainty surrounding the capability of a fluid in transporting Pd and Pt (Barnes et al., 2016).
751 We also note that we observed no hydrous mineral phases in our samples of the G Chromitite
752 (ST_16_002), which does not directly favour a hydromagmatic model. However, Spandler et
753 al. (2005) has previously reported hydrous polyphase inclusions in G Chromitite Cr-spinel.
754 Despite the apparent absence of hydrous minerals in our G Chromitite samples, ST_16_002
755 exhibits higher Cl and Br contents than the associated pegmatoid (ST_16_003), and the latter
756 contains chlorapatite (**Fig. 4a, b**). It is clear that the magmas that formed the G Chromitite
757 were either very enriched in Br/Cl or later interaction between cumulate and volatile-enriched
758 fluids occurred. If it is the latter, the absence of hydrous minerals, S-loss and lower Pt + Pd
759 ore tenor that generally characterise the G Chromitite might be explained by fluid migration
760 away from this layer.

761 The J-M Reef samples (ST_16_004 and ST_16_008) reveal relatively high Cl and Br contents
762 (26 – 320 ppm Cl, 223 – 2934 ppb Br) that are amongst the most enriched in our sample set.
763 One of the key concepts of the ‘volatile-refining’ model is that sulfides and PGE are resorbed
764 from cumulates and transported by Cl-enriched fluids to form a reef stratigraphically higher in
765 the intrusion (e.g., Boudreau, 1999). Field observations of PGE-rich discordant pegmatoids
766 support the late-stage mobilisation of the precious metals (e.g., Zientek et al., 2002). Other
767 key evidence that supports a hydromagmatic origin for the J-M Reef is summarised in
768 Boudreau (2016) and includes the presence of hydrous melt inclusions (now crystallised to
769 polymineralic assemblages) in olivine and Cr-spinel.

770 As noted earlier, the PGE have been shown to be soluble at ppm-levels (at mildly oxidising
771 conditions) in high (>500 °C) temperature brines (e.g., Pt-saturated brines with solubilities up
772 to 16 ± 10 ppm [at 800 °C] are sufficiently PGE-enriched to form economically significant
773 mineralisation; Simon and Pettke, 2009). Accepting the hydromagmatic model, which the

774 combined halogen data and mineralogical characteristics reported here do support, then the
775 enhanced halogen abundances in mineralised J-M Reef (ST_16_004) and associated
776 pegmatites lend weight to the idea of volatile-activity during PGE-enrichment. The sulfide-
777 deficient J-M Reef sample (ST_16_008) exhibits lower halogen contents than its sulfide-
778 bearing counterpart (ST_16_004), and no apatite (or Cl enrichment in hydrous minerals).
779 Boudreau (1995) highlighted a section between the Stillwater River and East Fork of the
780 Stillwater River, identified during mine development by the Stillwater Mining Company, where
781 the OB-I cuts downwards to form an 'unconformity' where sulfide mineralisation may be less
782 abundant or locally absent. This feature was ascribed by that study to slumping and localised
783 loss of reactive volatile-rich mush. Similarly, lateral changes in PGE and sulfide content in the
784 J-M Reef are often recorded in the Stillwater Mine and are often associated with ballrooms
785 (see Boudreau et al. 2021). These features are anomalously wide areas (minimum 6 metres
786 thickness and 5 metres width) within/below the J-M Reef, which are generally characterised
787 by sulfide contents of 1-2 vol% (compared to 0.5-1 vol% in 'normal' reef; Todd et al. 1982) but
788 may host increased levels of Pt and Pd (Harper, 2004; Childs et al., 2002). Harper (2004)
789 proposed several mechanisms to explain ballroom formation, including; local permeability
790 contrasts in the cumulate pile, higher fluid saturation resulting from greater melt interaction, or
791 variations in fluid volume across the complex. The overall lower halogen contents of sample
792 ST_16_008 compared to ST_16_004 may support a model of localised volatile loss such as
793 that described by Boudreau (1995, 2016) for the Stillwater River - East Fork locality, or at the
794 very least differences in volatile activity, to account for low sulfide mineralization in the Frog
795 Pond Adit section of the reef as observed in this study.

796 Experimental studies by Mungall and Brennan (2003) have shown that sulfide melt may be
797 capable of dissolving ppm levels of halogens and found that fluids or halide melts extracted
798 from the exsolved sulfide melts (isolated from silicate melts) would be characterised by high
799 Cl/Br (i.e., low Br/Cl) ratios (Lecumberri-Sanchez and Bodnar, 2018). The sulfide separates
800 from the J-M Reef sample (ST_16_004) reveal higher Br/Cl and I/Cl ratios (but lower halogen

801 contents) compared to their bulk rock counterparts. Our observations thus suggest that Br and
802 I are preferentially enriched in the sulfides over Cl, in agreement with suggestions that Cl, Br
803 and I display increasingly chalcophile behaviour with increasing atomic radii (i.e., $D_{Cl}^{sul\ liq-sil\ melt}$
804 $< D_{Br}^{sul\ liq-sil\ melt} < D_I^{sul\ liq-sil\ melt}$; Steenstra et al., 2020). Recently published heavy halogen data
805 from the Rum layered intrusion also appear to show I-enrichment of sulfide separates
806 compared to bulk rocks, with higher Br/Cl and I/Cl ratios for sulfides compared to their
807 respective whole rock values (Parker et al. 2019).

808 Our results are consistent with the suggestion of Mungall and Brenan (2003) that halogens
809 may be stored and/or transported by sulfide liquids. Furthermore, Mungall and Brenan (2003)
810 presented evidence of a link between magmatic sulfide liquids and halide minerals in the
811 formation of the Pt, Pd, Au and Cu rich veins of the Fraser Copper Zone in the Sudbury
812 Complex, which exhibits evidence of alteration haloes characterised by high Cl/Br ratios (low
813 Br/Cl ratios; Jago et al. 1994). They proposed a mechanism whereby fluids or halide melts
814 were expelled from a sulfide magma during the final stages of solidification. The suggestion
815 that segregated fluid or halide melt exsolved from sulfide liquid would be characterised by a
816 low Br/Cl ratio (Mungall and Brenan, 2003) also has interesting implications for the trends
817 highlighted in this study; some of the lowest Br/Cl ratios of this sample set are observed in the
818 J-M Reef (i.e., MORB-like; **Fig. 5**). Hence, the relationship between sulfide liquid and halogen-
819 enriched fluids may be critically important in the formation of sulfide-hosted precious metal ore
820 deposits and the recognition of extreme halogen fractionation resulting from sulfide-liquid and
821 halogen interaction requires further investigation in this context.

822 **Implications**

823 Heavy halogen data of samples from the Stillwater Complex highlight extreme enrichment of
824 Br/Cl linked to the activity of fluids during late-stage metasomatic processes operating in the
825 intrusion. Alteration phases in some samples (e.g., scapolite and amphiboles in ST_16_009)
826 also lend support to the activity of high temperature metasomatic fluids at the postcumulus
827 stage. In the J-M Reef, low I/Cl ratios point towards a magmatic origin for the fluids rather than

828 significant halogen addition from an external source. In contrast, mildly-enriched I/Cl ratios
829 and contents for the pegmatoids and the G Chromitite may preserve evidence of minor crustal
830 contamination. The exsolution of a volatile-rich fluid led to the fractionation of the halogens,
831 and progressive depletion of Cl relative to Br by preferential incorporation of the former in
832 hydrous minerals further enriched Br/Cl in fluid-saturated residual fluids, as represented by
833 the pegmatoid bodies. This Br/Cl rich fluid may then have interacted with newly-injected hotter
834 magmas, causing reprecipitation of sulfides and PGE and the formation of the J-M Reef.
835 Enriched Br/Cl and I/Cl ratios for the sulfide separates of the J-M Reef highlight the relatively
836 chalcophilic behaviour of Br and I compared to Cl; these fractionations have been observed
837 in other magmatic sulfide-hosted ore deposits and suggest that halogen behaviour during
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Figure Captions

1216 **Figure 1.** Geology of the Stillwater Complex, with the key PGE horizons the J-M Reef and
1217 Picket Pin highlighted. Inset in the top right displays the relationship of the Stillwater Complex
1218 to the surrounding Archean blocks and other country rocks (after Abbot et al., 2011). Ages for
1219 the Quartz monzonite and Stillwater Complex are from Wall et al. (2018) and hornfels age
1220 from Nunes and Tilton, (1971).

1221 **Figure 2.** Schematic column through the Stillwater Complex, illustrating major stratigraphic
1222 units, mineral modes and apatite chemistry as a function of stratigraphic height. Modal olivine
1223 in poikilitic and granular harzburgite in the Ultramafic Series is based on average modes. The
1224 labels A through K in the Peridotite Zone signify the positions of the major chromitite bodies.
1225 The labels P and S illustrate positions in stratigraphy where pegmatoid bodies and sulfides
1226 are common. The locations of the J M reef and the Picket Pin PGE zone are also labelled.
1227 Modified after McCallum (1996) and Boudreau (2016).

1228 **Figure 3.** (a) Photomicrograph (in cross-polarised light) of the G chromitite (ST_16_002),
1229 displaying chain textured chromitite surrounding olivine. (b) Photomicrograph (in cross-
1230 polarised light) of apatite in the pegmatoid below the G chromitite (ST_16_003). The
1231 orthopyroxene that encloses the apatite commonly contains exsolution of clinopyroxene. (c)
1232 Photomicrograph (in cross-polarised light) of the partially serpentinised J-M Reef
1233 (ST_16_004). (d) Photomicrograph (in cross-polarised light) of the S-poor J-M Reef
1234 (ST_16_008). (e) Photomicrograph (in cross-polarised light) of alteration phases in the
1235 pegmatoid vein below the J-M Reef (ST_16_011). Serpentine and talc appear to be
1236 pseudomorphing the original igneous mineralogy (possibly orthopyroxene and clinopyroxene).
1237 (f) Photomicrograph (in cross-polarised light) of the pegmatoid below the J-M Reef
1238 (ST_16_009). Scapolite has almost entirely replaced the pre-existing mineral, likely
1239 plagioclase. Not the many fluid inclusions in the quartz. (g) Photomicrograph (in cross-
1240 polarised light) of a relatively unaltered plagioclase feldspar with a corona of serpentine in
1241 ST_16_009. Serpentine and other alteration phases have otherwise entirely replaced the

1242 igneous mineralogy. (h) Photomicrograph (in reflected light) of the massive sulfides below the
1243 Stillwater Complex contact (ST_16_005). Ap = apatite, Bt = biotite, Ol = olivine, Plg =
1244 plagioclase, Cpx = clinopyroxene, Opx = orthopyroxene, Scap = scapolite, Serp = serpentine,
1245 Qtz = quartz, Cr = chromite, Sif = sulfides, Chalc = chalcopyrite, Pyrr = pyrrhotite.

1246 **Figure 4.** (a) Quantitative element map of Ca in the pegmatoid below the G chromitite
1247 (ST_16_003). (b) Quantified element map of Cl in the pegmatoid below the G chromitite
1248 (ST_16_003). Note the near end-member chlorapatite. (c) Relative enrichment map of Cl in
1249 the pegmatoid associated with the J-M Reef (ST_16_009), with stronger reds indicating higher
1250 Cl-content. Note the Cl-enriched apatite, amphibole and scapolite alteration rims and phases.
1251 (d) Quantified element map of Cl in the pegmatoid below the J-M Reef (ST_16_009). Cl-
1252 enrichment appears to be concentrated in the alteration rim of plagioclase to scapolite. (e)
1253 Quantified element map of Cl in the J-M Reef (ST_16_004) of approximately the same area
1254 as Fig. 2c, with a Cl-bearing apatite. (f) Quantified element map of Cl in ST_16_004. Note the
1255 Cl enrichment generally associated with apatite, plus alteration of olivine and clinopyroxene to
1256 serpentine. (g) Quantified element map of Cl in the pegmatoid vein below the S-poor J-M Reef
1257 (ST_16_011), with high Cl-areas associated with alteration of plagioclase and orthopyroxene.
1258 (h) Relative enrichment map of Cl in the massive sulfides (ST_16_005). High Cl contents are
1259 represented by blue-greens to yellows. The highest areas of enrichment are fractures in the
1260 thin section. Enrichment of Cl is seen in the clay grains (blue-green). Values for quantified
1261 maps in wt.%. Ap = apatite, Plg = plagioclase, Ol = olivine, Cpx = clinopyroxene, Opx =
1262 orthopyroxene, Mg-hb = magnesio-hornblende, Fe-hb = ferro-hornblende, Scap = scapolite,
1263 Serp = serpentine, Qtz = quartz, Sif = sulfides.

1264 **Figure 5.** Halogen element abundance **(a, b)** and ratio plots **(c)** of all Stillwater Complex
1265 samples. Mineral separates shown with filled symbol and corresponding colour, and bulk
1266 signatures by open symbol. Greyscale symbols represent Rum Layered Intrusion halogen
1267 data from Parker et al. (2019). Mid Ocean Ridge Basalt and Ocean Island Basalt data (grey
1268 area) from Kendrick et al. (2012a, 2013, 2014). Seawater ratio line from Li (1982) and MORB

1269 ratio line from Kendrick et al. (2012a, 2013, 2014). The ratio lines are based upon Cl, Br and
1270 I abundances of 18800 ppm 67 ppm and 60 ppb, respectively, for seawater (Li, 1982), and
1271 329 ppm, 1 ppm and 15 ppb, respectively, for MORB (Kendrick et al., 2012a, 2013, 2014).
1272 The seawater point is from Li (1982). Subcontinental lithospheric mantle (SCLM) from Burgess
1273 et al. (2002). Hydration line from seawater indicates the directional influence on Br/Cl and I/Cl
1274 ratios as Cl is fractionated from Br and I during incorporation into hydrous mineral phases
1275 (from Svensen et al., 2001). Metasedimentary data (crosses) and unaltered greywacke (bold
1276 cross) are from Boneß et al. (1991).

1277 **Figure 6. (a)** $^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ vs. $^{84}\text{Kr}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ isotopes plot and **(b)** $\text{I}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ and $^{130}\text{Xe}/^{36}\text{Ar}$ data from the
1278 2018 set of Stillwater sample analysis. Mineral separates shown with solid symbol and
1279 corresponding colour of bulk signatures which are represented by open symbols. All data are
1280 from Stillwater Complex samples with the larger sample masses analysed in 2018 (**Table S2**).
1281 Mineral separates shown with solid symbol and corresponding colour of the bulk signatures
1282 represented by open symbols. (b) Reference values obtained from Matsuda and Nagao
1283 (1986), Staudacher and Allegre (1988), Holland and Ballentine (2006) and Kendrick et al.
1284 (2013). Greyscale symbols represent Rum Layered Intrusion halogen data from Parker et al.
1285 (2019).

Table 1: All NI-NGMS measurement data for the Stillwater Complex. Year is the year samples were analysed. Uncertainties are a standard error that account for propagation of analytical e.

Sample	Name	Type	Year	K (ppm)	Cl (ppm)	Br (ppb)	I (ppb)	K/Cl (wt.)	Br/Cl (wt. x10 ⁻³)	I/Cl (wt. x10 ⁻⁶)
ST_16_002	G chromite	Bulk	2018	91 ± 8	67.4 ± 4.6	1550 ± 110	13.2 ± 1.3	1.35 ± 0.12	23.0 ± 0.2	196 ± 7
ST_16_002	G chromite	Bulk	2018	96 ± 6	52.7 ± 3.6	1020 ± 70	8.4 ± 0.8	1.82 ± 0.12	19.3 ± 0.1	160 ± 5
ST_16_002	G chromite	Bulk	2019	nd	105 ± 8	893 ± 71	8.3 ± 1.3	nd	8.5 ± 0.1	79 ± 4
ST_16_002	G chromite	Bulk	2019	nd	nd	343 ± 107	2.2 ± 0.5	nd	nd	nd
ST_16_003	Pegmatite	Felsic fraction	2018	622 ± 35	26.7 ± 1.8	248 ± 19	11.9 ± 1.2	2.0 ± 0.3	9.3 ± 0.1	448 ± 16
ST_16_003	Pegmatite	Felsic fraction	2019	nd	5.7 ± 1.2	59 ± 17	3.6 ± 1.3	2.9 ± 3.8	10.4 ± 1.5	627 ± 74
ST_16_003	Pegmatite	Felsic fraction	2019	nd	nd	46 ± 7	1.9 ± 0.5	nd	nd	nd
ST_16_003	Pegmatite	Mafic fraction	2019	125 ± 17	61.6 ± 4.2	627 ± 45	12.5 ± 1.3	nd	10.2 ± 0.1	203 ± 7
ST_16_003	Pegmatite	Mafic fraction	2019	nd	nd	230 ± 61	6.1 ± 1	nd	nd	nd
ST_16_003	Pegmatite	Mafic fraction	2018	nd	26.3 ± 5.0	780 ± 202	10 ± 1.2	23.4 ± 1.3	29.7 ± 0.1	382 ± 24
ST_16_003	Pegmatite	Orthopyroxene	2019	157 ± 14	75.8 ± 5.3	265 ± 20	15.3 ± 1.6	2.07 ± 0.18	3.5 ± 0	202 ± 7
ST_16_003	Pegmatite	Orthopyroxene	2018	41 ± 11	25.7 ± 1.8	107 ± 8	10.9 ± 1.1	1.61 ± 0.44	4.2 ± 0.1	424 ± 15
ST_16_003	Pegmatite	Orthopyroxene	2018	87 ± 15	43.8 ± 3.0	334 ± 25	11.2 ± 1.1	1.98 ± 0.34	7.6 ± 0.1	257 ± 9
ST_16_004	Sulfide-rich J-M Reef	Bulk	2018	141 ± 12	405 ± 28	3820 ± 280	17.8 ± 1.8	0.35 ± 0.03	9.5 ± 0.1	44 ± 1
ST_16_004	Sulfide-rich J-M Reef	Bulk	2018	52 ± 11	641 ± 44	6420 ± 460	29.1 ± 2.9	0.08 ± 0.02	10.0 ± 0.1	45 ± 2
ST_16_004	Sulfide-rich J-M Reef	Bulk	2019	75 ± 36	5.7 ± 6.3	138 ± 215	0.8 ± 0.1	13.1 ± 7.5	24.2 ± 1.1	143 ± 67
ST_16_004	Sulfide-rich J-M Reef	Bulk	2019	56 ± 33	229 ± 16	1350 ± 100	8.2 ± 0.9	0.24 ± 0.15	5.9 ± 2.1	36 ± 1
ST_16_004	Sulfide-rich J-M Reef	Sulfide	2019	44 ± 13	9.5 ± 1.8	179 ± 46	5.4 ± 8.3	4.64 ± 1.45	18.7 ± 0.1	563 ± 246
ST_16_004	Sulfide-rich J-M Reef	Sulfide	2019	52 ± 16	23.7 ± 2.8	226 ± 35	2.4 ± 0.4	2.19 ± 0.68	9.5 ± 0.5	101 ± 6
ST_16_004	Sulfide-rich J-M Reef	Sulfide	2018	105 ± 12	22.5 ± 1.6	357 ± 27	4.8 ± 0.5	4.65 ± 0.54	15.9 ± 0.1	212 ± 8
ST_16_004	Sulfide-rich J-M Reef	Sulfide	2018	222 ± 24	49.7 ± 3.5	617 ± 47	5.9 ± 0.7	4.47 ± 0.49	12.4 ± 0.1	120 ± 4
ST_16_005	Massive sulfide	Bulk	2018	91 ± 8	10.7 ± 0.7	186 ± 14	1.9 ± 0.2	8.47 ± 0.75	17.4 ± 0.1	177 ± 7
ST_16_005	Massive sulfide	Bulk	2018	47 ± 6	4.4 ± 0.3	56 ± 4	1.5 ± 0.2	10.6 ± 1.9	12.8 ± 0.1	342 ± 13
ST_16_005	Massive sulfide	Bulk	2019	117 ± 78	27.1 ± 10.3	nd	nd	4.3 ± 3.0	nd	23 ± 6
ST_16_005	Massive sulfide	Bulk	2019	145 ± 34	nd	26 ± 9	0.7 ± 0.3	nd	nd	nd
ST_16_008	Sulfide-deficient J-M Reef	Felsic fraction	2018	822 ± 44	44.9 ± 3.1	359 ± 26	4.4 ± 0.5	18.3 ± 0.9	8.0 ± 0.1	nd
ST_16_008	Sulfide-deficient J-M Reef	Felsic fraction	2019	1280 ± 80	nd	103 ± 222	0.6 ± 0.4	nd	nd	nd
ST_16_008	Sulfide-deficient J-M Reef	Felsic fraction	2018	1020 ± 60	35.6 ± 4.6	206 ± 35	2.3 ± 0.4	2.68 ± 0.15	5.8 ± 0.1	65 ± 4
ST_16_008	Sulfide-deficient J-M Reef	Mafic fraction	2019	929 ± 51	346 ± 24	763 ± 55	9.0 ± 0.9	nd	2.2 ± 0.1	26 ± 1
ST_16_008	Sulfide-deficient J-M Reef	Mafic fraction	2019	506 ± 39	53.1 ± 5.1	213 ± 25	3.0 ± 0.4	9.53 ± 0.74	4.0 ± 0.1	56 ± 3
ST_16_008	Sulfide-deficient J-M Reef	Mafic fraction	2019	413 ± 36	46.5 ± 4.1	221 ± 23	3.4 ± 0.4	8.89 ± 0.77	4.8 ± 0.1	73 ± 3
ST_16_009	Pegmatoid	Felsic fraction	2019	997 ± 53	169 ± 12	2540 ± 180	25.6 ± 2.6	0.13 ± 0.01	15 ± 0.1	151 ± 5
ST_16_009	Pegmatoid	Felsic fraction	2019	1290 ± 80	10100 ± 700	360000 ± 26000	9160 ± 910	0.78 ± 0.05	35.3 ± 0.1	900 ± 31
ST_16_009	Pegmatoid	Felsic fraction	2018	1030 ± 60	6920 ± 480	187000 ± 13000	3220 ± 320	0.62 ± 0.04	27 ± 0.2	465 ± 16
ST_16_009	Pegmatoid	Mafic fraction	2018	1044 ± 57	5510 ± 380	128000 ± 9100	3000 ± 300	5.89 ± 0.32	23.3 ± 0.1	545 ± 19
ST_16_009	Pegmatoid	Mafic fraction	2018	1300 ± 70	13500 ± 930	239000 ± 17000	4460 ± 440	0.48 ± 0.03	17.6 ± 0.1	330 ± 11
ST_16_009	Pegmatoid	Mafic fraction	2019	2210 ± 140	2830 ± 200	23200 ± 1700	184 ± 18	1.62 ± 0.09	8.2 ± 0.1	65 ± 2
ST_16_009	Pegmatoid	Amphibole	2019	1870 ± 100	3030 ± 210	820 ± 60	16.5 ± 1.7	0.15 ± 0.01	0.3 ± 0.1	5 ± 1
ST_16_009	Pegmatoid	Amphibole	2018	1437 ± 78	3000 ± 200	770 ± 60	17.8 ± 1.9	0.19 ± 0.02	0.3 ± 0.1	6 ± 1
ST_16_009	Pegmatoid	Amphibole	2019	1400 ± 80	864 ± 59	620 ± 50	17.9 ± 1.9	0.10 ± 0.01	0.7 ± 0.1	21 ± 1
ST_16_011	Pegmatoid Vein	Felsic fraction	2019	4080 ± 220	17.9 ± 3.7	106 ± 30	1.5 ± 0.4	228 ± 12	5.9 ± 0.1	85 ± 7
ST_16_011	Pegmatoid Vein	Mafic fraction	2019	209 ± 30	871 ± 60	4370 ± 320	31.4 ± 3.2	0.24 ± 0.04	5.0 ± 0.1	36 ± 1
ST_16_011	Pegmatoid Vein	Bulk	2018	897 ± 48	684 ± 47	6580 ± 470	27 ± 2.7	1.31 ± 0.07	9.6 ± 0.1	40 ± 1
ST_16_011	Pegmatoid Vein	Bulk	2018	347 ± 20	742 ± 51	6600 ± 480	33.5 ± 3.3	0.47 ± 0.03	8.9 ± 0.1	45 ± 2

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FIGURE 1

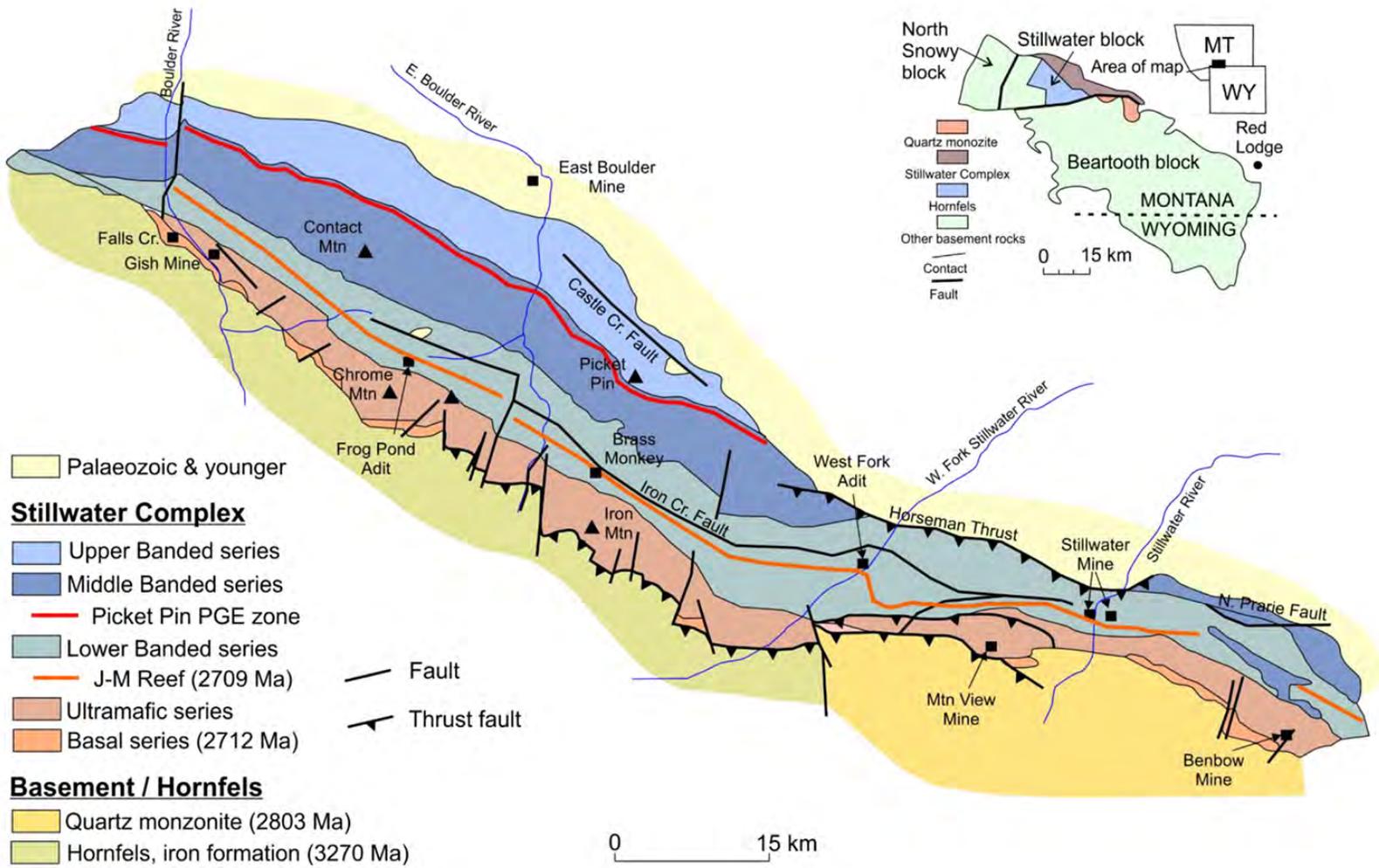


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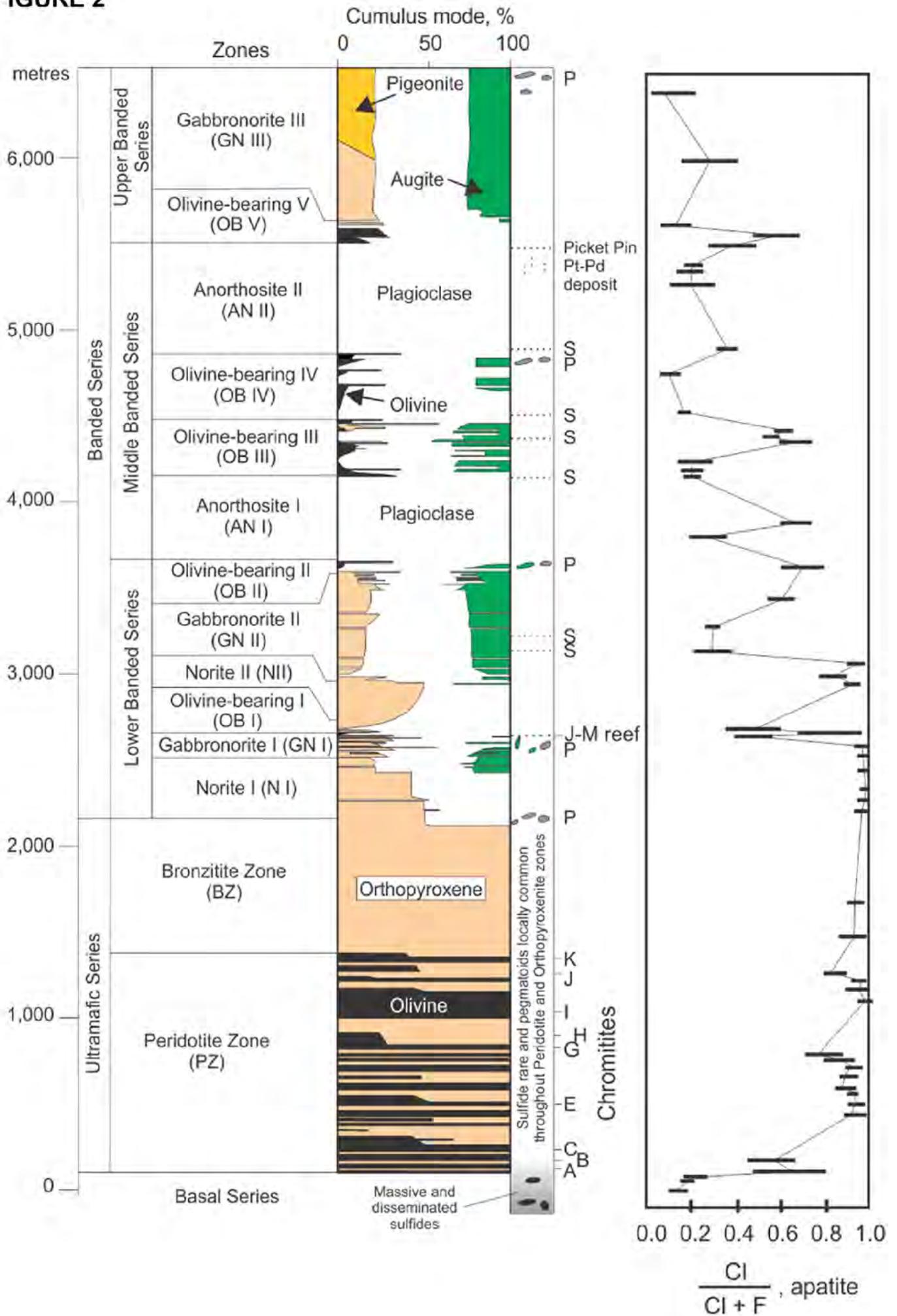


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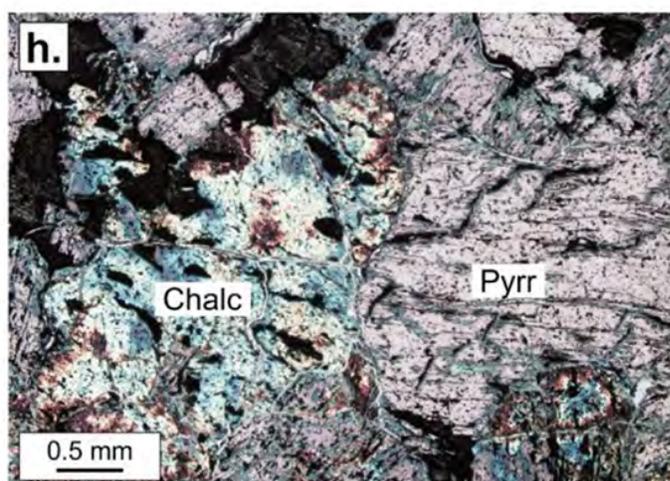
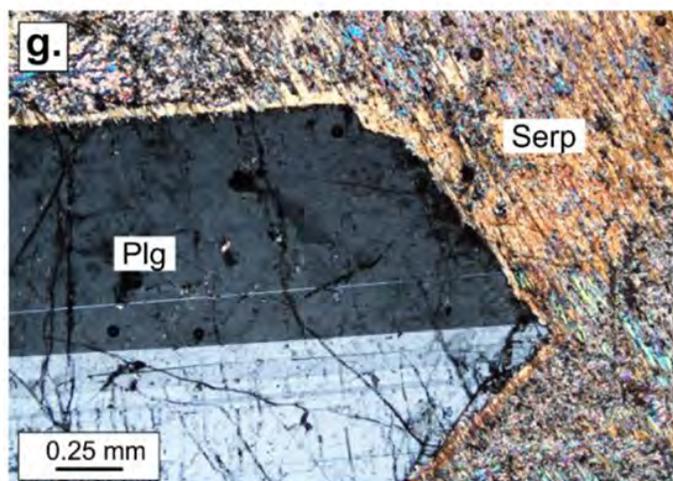
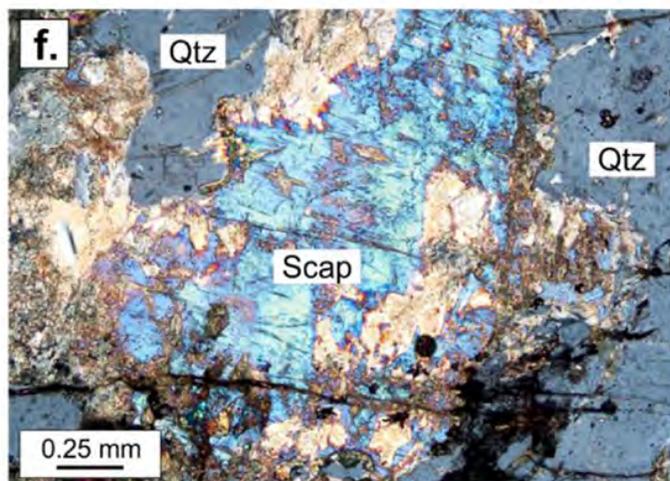
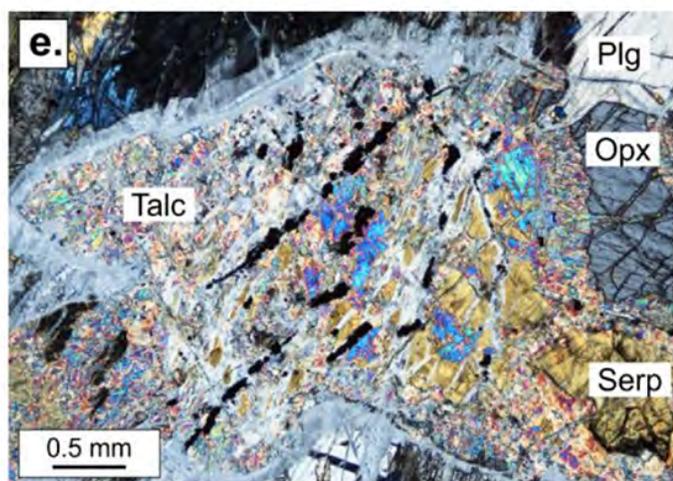
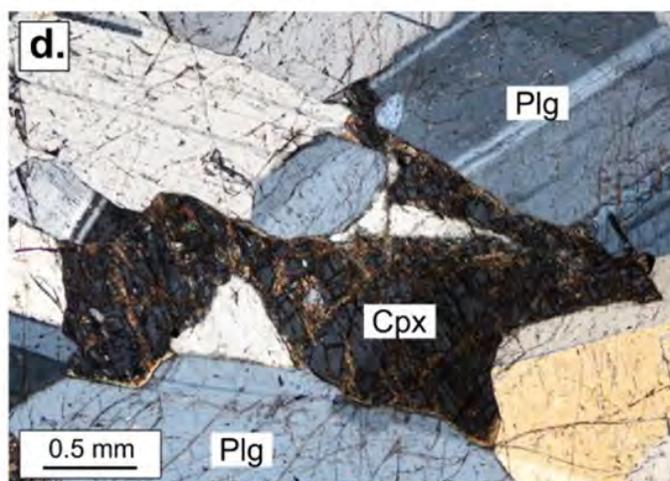
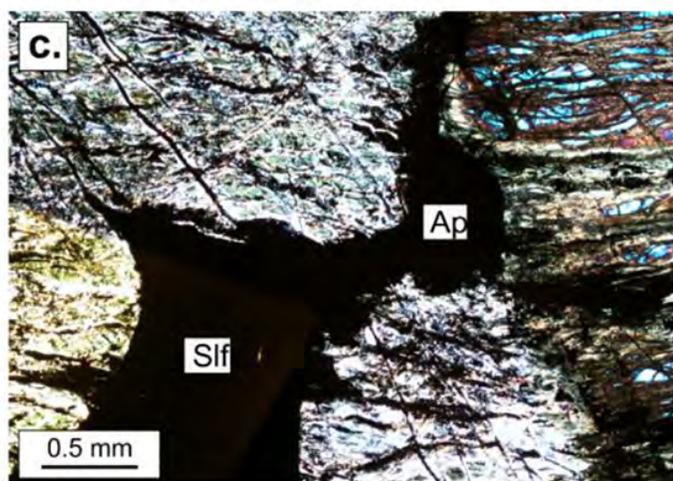
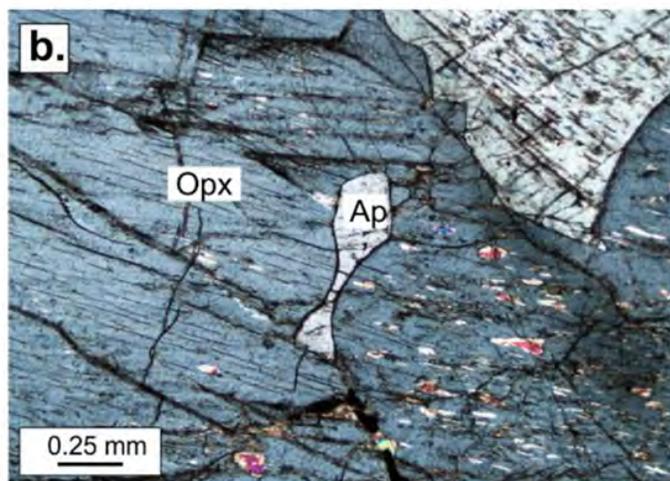
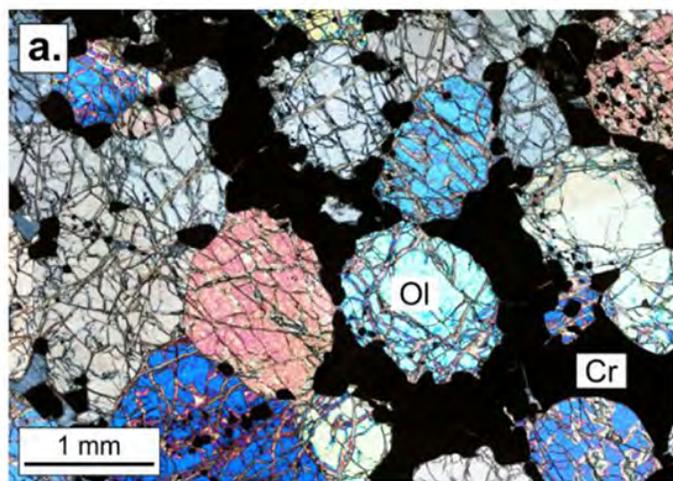


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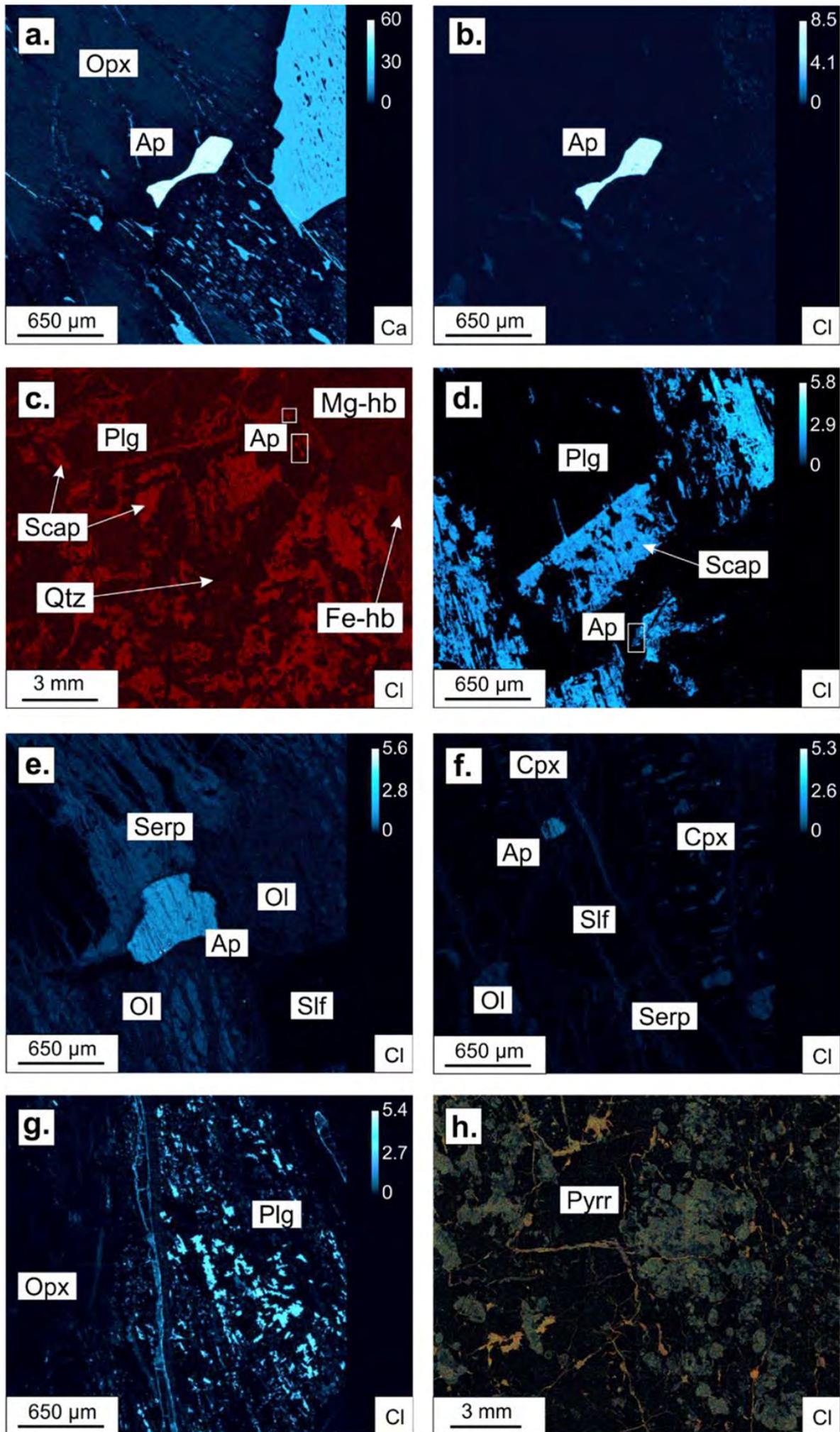


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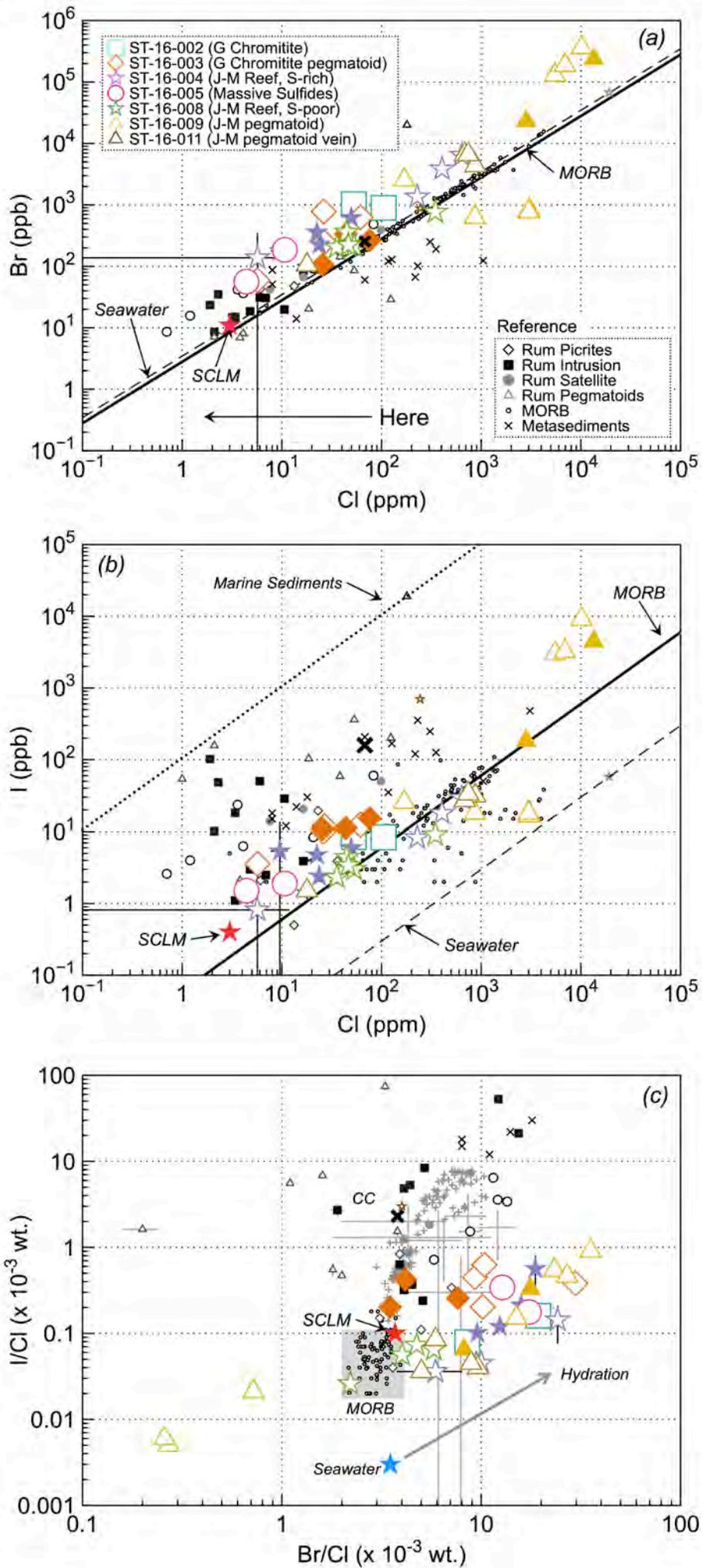


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