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2 **High spatial resolution analysis of the Iron oxidation state in silicate glasses using the**
3 **electron probe**

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18 **Abstract**

19 The iron oxidation state in silicate melts is important for understanding their physical
20 properties, although it is most often used to estimate the oxygen fugacity of magmatic
21 systems. Often high spatial resolution analyses are required, yet the available techniques,
22 such as μ XANES and μ Mössbauer, require synchrotron access. The Flank Method is an
23 electron probe technique with the potential to measure Fe oxidation state at high spatial
24 resolution, but requires careful method development to reduce errors related to sample
25 damage, especially for hydrous glasses. The intensity ratios derived from measurements on
26 the flanks of Fe $L\alpha$ and $L\beta$ X-rays ($\text{Fe } L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$) over a time interval (Time-Dependent Ratio

27 Flank Method) can be extrapolated to their initial values at the onset of analysis. We have
28 developed and calibrated this new method using silicate glasses with a wide range of
29 compositions (43 – 78 wt% SiO₂, 0 – 12 wt% H₂O, and 2 – 17 wt% FeO_T, which is all Fe
30 reported as FeO), including 68 glasses with known Fe oxidation state. The Fe oxidation state
31 (Fe²⁺/Fe_T) of hydrous (0 – 4 wt% H₂O) basaltic (43 – 56 wt% SiO₂) and peralkaline (70 – 76
32 wt% SiO₂) glasses with FeO_T > 5 wt% can be quantified with a precision of ±0.03 (10 wt%
33 FeO_T and 0.5 Fe²⁺/Fe_T) and accuracy of ±0.1. We find basaltic and peralkaline glasses each
34 require a different calibration curve, and analysis at different spatial resolutions (~20 and ~60
35 µm diameter regions respectively). A further 49 synthetic glasses were used to investigate the
36 compositional controls on redox changes during electron beam irradiation, where we found
37 that the direction of redox change is sensitive to glass composition. Anhydrous alkali-poor
38 glasses become reduced during analysis, whilst hydrous and/or alkali-rich glasses become
39 oxidised by the formation of magnetite nanolites identified using Raman Spectroscopy. The
40 rate of reduction is controlled by the initial oxidation state, whereas the rate of oxidation is
41 controlled by SiO₂, Fe, and H₂O content.

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44 electron beam damage, silicate glasses, oxidation, reduction, Raman spectroscopy.

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Introduction

47 Oxygen fugacity is an important control on the chemical and physical properties of silicate
48 melts, the stability of magmatic phases and the multiphase rheology of magmas (e.g.,
49 Hamilton et al., 1964; Dingwell and Virgo, 1987; Kress and Carmichael, 1991; Vicenzi et al.,
50 1994; Bouhifd et al., 2004; Wilke, 2005). It also determines the valence state of multivalent

51 elements, such as Fe, Mn, Cr, V, Ce, Eu, and S, hence the ratio of oxidised to reduced species
52 in the glasses quenched from melts provides a proxy for oxygen fugacity during natural
53 processes and laboratory experiments (e.g., Carmichael, 1991; Kress and Carmichael, 1991;
54 Herd, 2008). Many petrological and volcanological applications, such as analysis of glassy
55 melt inclusions in minerals from volcanic rocks or interstitial glass in natural and
56 experimental vesiculated and/or partially crystalline samples, require measurements at high
57 spatial resolutions.

58 There are various techniques for quantifying the Fe oxidation state of silicate glasses, with
59 trade-offs between resolution, error, sample preparation requirements, necessity for
60 standards, and instrument accessibility (see McCammon, 1999). Wet chemistry is a
61 destructive bulk technique, requiring a minimum of 5 mg of material (e.g., Schuessler et al.,
62 2008), which does not require standards but some expertise. Synchrotron-based absorption
63 techniques, such as μ XANES ($> 2 \times 2 \mu\text{m}$, e.g., Cottrell et al., 2018) and μ Mössbauer ($> 10 \times$
64 $5 \mu\text{m}$, e.g., Potapkin et al., 2012) allow high spatial resolution analysis, but the need for
65 access to synchrotron facilities limits their utility. Also, μ XANES can oxidise Fe in hydrous
66 glasses during analysis, producing erroneous Fe oxidation state values (Cottrell et al., 2018).
67 Raman spectroscopy also has high spatial resolution (1 μm diameter), but has lower
68 sensitivity for basaltic compositions and problems related to background fluorescence (e.g.,
69 Di Muro et al., 2009; Di Genova et al., 2016). Electron energy loss spectroscopy (EELS)
70 would offer superior spatial resolution (nm) but standards are inhomogeneous at this scale
71 and beam damage is significant (Burgess et al., 2016).

72 Conversely, the electron probe is widely available and has the potential for routine analysis of
73 Fe oxidation state in geological materials (mainly garnet and amphibole) at high spatial
74 resolution (Hofer et al., 1994; Enders et al., 2000; Hofer and Brey, 2007; Creighton et al.,
75 2009, 2010; Malaspina et al., 2010; Lamb et al., 2012; Matjuschkin et al., 2014) but also

76 glasses (Fialin et al., 2001, 2004, 2011). Typically, the electron probe uses the intensity of
77 emitted characteristic X-rays to quantify chemical composition, such as Fe K α to quantify Fe
78 concentration (Figure 1a), however a variety of other factors can affect the intensity of
79 characteristic X-rays. The Fe L α and L β lines are sensitive to the Fe oxidation state as their
80 X-ray generation involves outer shell electrons (3d) affected by chemical bonding (Figure 1a)
81 (Gopon et al., 2013). The energy of X-ray emission and absorption associated with the Fe L
82 lines are very similar, which leads to self-absorption. The Fe L α and L β peaks coincide with
83 the L₃ and L₂ absorption edges respectively, and hence are distorted by them, resulting in
84 asymmetric peak shapes and peak shifts due to the differing amounts of absorption on each
85 side of the absorption edges (Smith and O’Nions, 1971). The wavelength of the energy of the
86 absorption edges shift due to changes in the coordination and oxidation state of Fe (de Groot,
87 2001; Hofer and Brey, 2007). The L₃ absorption edge shifts more than the L₂ absorption
88 edge, resulting in greater changes to the Fe L α peak than the Fe L β (Hofer and Brey, 2007).
89 Thus, for a given chemical system (e.g., garnet, olivine, silicate glass), the Fe L α and L β peak
90 positions and intensities vary depending on Fe concentration, oxidation state, and
91 coordination (Figure 1b; Hofer and Brey, 2007).

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93 There are two EPMA methods that exploit variations in Fe L α and L β to quantify Fe
94 oxidation state (Figure 1b). The Peak Shift Method uses the linear relationship between the
95 wavelength of the Fe L α peak with Fe oxidation state at a given FeO_T (Hofer et al., 1994;
96 Fialin et al., 2004) (Figure 1b). To measure the Fe L α peak position, wavescans across the Fe
97 L α peak are collected and a peak-fitting algorithm is applied to locate its wavelength. This
98 method has been applied to silicate glasses with a statistical error on Fe²⁺/Fe_T of ± 0.05 ,
99 although the error on individual analyses was greater (Fialin et al., 2004). Alternatively, the
100 Flank Method uses changes in the wavelength and intensity of both the Fe L α and L β peaks
101 by measuring the intensity ratio of positions on the low wavelength flank of Fe L α (Fe L α_f)

102 and high wavelength flank of Fe L β (Fe L β_f), termed Fe L β_f /L α_f (Hofer et al., 1994; Hofer,
103 2002; Hofer and Brey, 2007) (Figure 1b). These flank positions coincide with the L $_2$ and L $_3$
104 absorption edges and, as the Fe $^{2+}$ content changes, the L $_3$ absorption edge shifts. The
105 sensitivity of the Flank Method results from the opposite sense of intensity change at each of
106 the flank positions, as Fe L α_f is on the high absorption side of the L $_3$ absorption edge,
107 whereas Fe L β_f is on the low absorption side of the L $_2$ absorption edge, which utilises
108 changes in both peak position and intensities (Hofer et al., 1994). Optimum flank positions
109 can be found by collecting absorption spectra or using the maximum and minimum in the
110 difference spectrum between samples with different Fe concentration and oxidation states
111 (Figure 1b, Hofer and Brey, 2007). The Fe L β_f /L α_f intensity ratio is dependent primarily on
112 total ferrous iron (Fe $^{2+}$), with a secondary dependence on total Fe (Fe $_T$), hence Fe $^{2+} = A +$
113 $B \cdot (\text{Fe L}\beta_f/\text{L}\alpha_f) + C \cdot \text{Fe}_T + D \cdot \text{Fe}_T \cdot (\text{Fe L}\beta_f/\text{L}\alpha_f)$, where A , B , C and D are fitting coefficients
114 (Hofer and Brey, 2007). The Flank Method has greater sensitivity than the Peak Shift Method
115 and does not require wavescans as measurements are made at two specific, pre-defined
116 wavelengths (Hofer et al., 1994; Zhang et al., in press). This method has been applied to
117 some mineral groups (e.g., garnet, spinel) with an error on Fe $^{2+}$ /Fe $_T$ of ± 0.02 (Hofer and
118 Brey, 2007) and silicate glasses to within ± 0.1 (Zhang et al., in press).

119 The Fe L lines have low intensity and therefore high beam currents and/or long count times
120 are required to record them. Silicate glasses are typically unstable under these conditions,
121 leading to changes in Fe oxidation state during analysis (Fialin et al., 2004, 2011; Fialin and
122 Wagner, 2012; Zhang et al., in press). Similar problems have also been observed for Fe in
123 amphiboles (Wagner et al., 2008; Lamb et al., 2012) and S in silicate glasses and anhydrite
124 (Wallace and Carmichael, 1994; Rowe et al., 2007; Klimm et al., 2012). Fialin and Wagner
125 (2012) observed two competing mechanisms of redox change during electron beam
126 irradiation of alkali-bearing silicate glasses leading to either oxidation or reduction. As

127 glasses are insulators, electrons are trapped within the subsurface during electron beam
128 irradiation, causing a region of negative charge to build-up at depth in the sample, even with
129 a conductive coat (e.g., Cazaux, 1996). Alkali ions (predominantly Na⁺, but also K⁺) migrate
130 towards the region of negative charge (e.g., Humphreys et al., 2006) leaving behind
131 interstitial O²⁻ that migrates and either outgasses or combines with two FeO precipitating
132 Fe₂O₃, thus causing oxidation (e.g., Lineweaver, 1963). This is different to oxidation
133 processes driven by changes in oxygen fugacity. For basaltic glasses, Fe³⁺ is stabilised by the
134 migration of Na⁺ and K⁺ towards them preventing Fe₂O₃ precipitation (Cooper et al., 1996).
135 Concurrently, during electron beam irradiation electrons move away from the negatively
136 charged region from O to Fe³⁺ sites resulting in net reduction (Nishida, 1995).

137 To minimise beam damage and prevent redox changes a sample can be moved during
138 analysis, which reduces the electron dose per unit area (Metrich and Clocchiatti, 1996; Rowe
139 et al., 2007; Fialin et al., 2011; Zhang et al., in press). Unfortunately, this requires large
140 regions of glass for analysis making it unfeasible for analysing small areas, such as melt
141 inclusions and interstitial glasses. Therefore, we adapt the Flank Method for high spatial
142 resolution analysis of silicate glasses due to its greater sensitivity and the ability to measure at
143 single spectrometer positions (Hofer et al., 1994). This is important because it is easier to
144 measure time-dependent changes at specific wavelengths rather than using wavescans, as
145 required for the Peak Shift Method. We measured Fe Lβ_f/Lα_f over time, based on the Time-
146 Dependent Intensity (TDI) technique first developed for alkali migration during EPMA of
147 glasses by Nielsen and Sigurdsson (1981). Fe Lβ_f/Lα_f is extrapolated to time zero to correct
148 for changes over time, which we refer to as the Time-Dependent Ratio (TDR) correction,
149 comparable to TDI corrections for alkalis. Due to the small sample size of silicate glasses
150 analysed by Fialin and Wagner (2012) and Zhang et al. (in press), the controls on Fe redox
151 processes during electron beam irradiation have not been explored and, crucially, few

152 hydrous glasses have been analysed. Therefore, we also investigate the compositional and
153 analytical controls on Fe redox changes.

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Samples

156 Silicate glasses of known (68 samples) and unknown (47 samples) Fe oxidation state from a
157 variety of studies were mounted in epoxy and carbon coated (~15 nm thickness). The sample
158 set covers a wide compositional range (anhydrous normalised SiO₂ 43 – 78 wt%, Total
159 Alkalis (Na₂O + K₂O) 1 – 12 wt%, and H₂O 0 – 12 wt%; Figure 2a and Table 1), which are
160 used to investigate the effect of composition on Fe oxidation state changes during analysis.
161 Silicate glasses of known Fe oxidation state (independently measured using wet chemistry,
162 Mössbauer or μ XANES), spanning 0.1 - 1.0 Fe²⁺/Fe_T and 2 – 18 wt% FeO_T (Figure 2b), are
163 used to calibrate the technique.

164 There are 16 suites of experimental silicate glasses that have different average glass
165 compositions with variable Fe oxidation state and/or H₂O. The normalised (volatile-free)
166 average glass compositions, which are either taken from the literature or measured using
167 EPMA (see Supplementary Material for details and individual sample compositions) are
168 given in Table 1. AR samples are anhydrous, low-silica glasses with a range of glass
169 compositions: KLA-1-6-22 (Fuchs et al., 2014), SC1 (Botcharnikov et al., 2008), 140ox
170 (Almeev et al., 2007), LS (previously unpublished studies conducted at the Institut für
171 Mineralogie, Leibniz Universität Hannover, Germany), PF22 (Wengorsch et al., 2012), and
172 BezBA (Almeev et al., 2013). These glass compositions were re-synthesised at various
173 oxygen fugacities and analysed using wet chemistry by Zhang et al., (in press), where they
174 have been analysed by the Flank Method using a moving stage approach. Hydrous, low-silica
175 glasses are GRN (Stamper et al., 2014), ETNA (this study), MAS.1.A, MAS.1.B and St8.1.B

176 (Lesne et al., 2011), and AMS (Di Genova et al., 2014). GRN samples may have suffered
177 oxidation during μ XANES (Cottrell et al., 2018), therefore their reported Fe oxidation state
178 values are not considered further and the samples are only used to explore the effects of
179 composition on redox changes during EPMA. The high-silica glasses range from peralkaline
180 (FSP; Di Genova et al., 2016, and PSG; Di Genova et al., 2013) to calcalkaline (Y; Di
181 Genova et al., 2017a, and PSB; Riker et al., 2015), with both anhydrous (FSP and Y) and
182 hydrous (PSG and PSB) glasses.

183 Additional anhydrous, low-silica glasses analysed are AII and LW (Cottrell et al., 2009),
184 Smithsonian microbeam natural basaltic glass standards VG2 and VGA99 (Jarosewich et al.,
185 1980) and PU (Ulmer, 1989; Blundy et al., 2018). Compositions are given in the
186 Supplementary Material.

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188 **Methods**

189 **Fe L wavescans**

190 Wavescans of the Fe L peaks on glasses with varying FeO_T and Fe oxidation state (Table 2)
191 were analysed to examine the controls on peak position and intensity. Data were collected on
192 the JEOL JXA 8530F Hyperprobe at the School of Earth Sciences, University of Bristol, UK,
193 using a 50 nA beam current, 10 μm beam diameter, and 15 or 30 kV accelerating voltage.
194 Three spectrometers, with two TAP and one TAPH crystals, were moved 0.071 mm per step
195 for 100 steps with 0.5 s dwell time over the Fe L peaks whilst the stage moved at 1 $\mu\text{m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ to
196 minimise beam damage. To improve signal to noise ratio, multiple wavescans (40 – 80,
197 depending on the accelerating voltage and glass FeO_T) were collected, and the spectra from
198 the three spectrometers were combined to produce a single wavescan per sample.

199 **Time-Dependent Ratio $\text{Fe L}\beta_f/\text{L}\alpha_f$ measurements**

200 **Selecting flank positions.** To identify the optimum flank positions for Fe $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$, the
201 method of Hofer and Brey (2007) (described in the Introduction, Figure 1b) was used. Two
202 spectra, representing the range of FeO_T and Fe oxidation state (AR14 and AR19, Figure 3a),
203 were normalised to the maximum intensity of their Fe $L\alpha$ peak from which the difference
204 spectrum was calculated (AR14 – AR19, Figure 3c). Optimum flank positions correspond to
205 the maximum (low wavelength flank of Fe $L\alpha$, Fe $L\alpha_f$) and minimum (high wavelength flank
206 of Fe $L\beta$, Fe $L\beta_f$) of the difference spectrum. To avoid collecting wavescans on these glasses
207 every session, the flank positions were measured relative to the F $K\alpha$ peak measured on MgF_2
208 for each TAP/TAPH crystal. This reduced the time required to find the flank positions during
209 future analytical sessions and minimised the area damaged by electron beam irradiation.

210 **Electron probe set-up.** Each spectrometer measured a single wavelength and the
211 spectrometer set-up (referred to by crystal) was two TAP crystals to measure Fe $L\alpha_f$, TAPH
212 for Fe $L\beta_f$, LLIF for Fe $K\alpha$, and PETH for K $K\alpha$. At the wavelengths of interest, the TAPH
213 crystal offers twice the peak intensity of the TAP crystals, and the Fe $L\beta$ has roughly half the
214 intensity of the Fe $L\alpha$ peak, therefore we chose the above combination of spectrometers to
215 maximise count rates. The full-width half-maximum wavelength resolution for F $K\alpha$ in MgF_2
216 here is 0.0813, 0.0835, and 0.1034 Å (0.8792, 1.1235, and 0.9079 mm spectrometer units) for
217 the two TAP and TAPH crystals respectively (Buse and Kearns, 2018). Differential Pulse
218 Height Analysis (PHA) mode was used to remove interferences such as the 9th order Fe $K\alpha$,
219 and PHA scans were collected every session on each spectrometer on F $K\alpha$ in MgF_2 . Na is
220 typically the most mobile element measured during electron beam irradiation and therefore
221 commonly used to monitor beam damage. However, in the absence of an additional TAP
222 crystal, we measured K (also highly mobile) instead on a PETH crystal. For each analytical
223 session, Fe $K\alpha$ was peaked-up on BCR-2 (USGS basaltic glass standard), K $K\alpha$ on sanidine,
224 and the peak position of F $K\alpha$ was measured on MgF_2 to calculate the wavelengths of the

225 flank positions on each TAP/TAPH crystal. Spectrometers were static during analysis as
226 backgrounds are not required for flank analyses (Hofer et al., 1994). As no other elements (or
227 backgrounds) were measured, no matrix correction could be performed to quantify Fe or K,
228 thus only their relative intensity over time is used. Analytical conditions were a 15 kV
229 accelerating voltage, 50 nA beam current, and 4 – 15 μm beam diameter, which allows the
230 analysis of small volumes of glass. Intensity measurements were collected over 5 s for a total
231 duration of ~ 150 s on the same spot of glass. Ten repeat analyses on fresh glass per sample
232 were collected, resulting in a total analysis area of $\sim 20 - 60$ μm diameter. Data were collected
233 over five sessions. A summary of the analytical protocol is provided in the Appendix.

234 **Redox stability.** To investigate the effect of analytical conditions on redox changes,
235 additional measurements were made at different analytical conditions (Table 3) on four
236 glasses chosen to represent the range of glass compositions studied (Table 4). AR10 and
237 AR16 are anhydrous low-silica glasses, that are oxidised and reduced respectively.
238 MAS.1.B4 and PSB63 are hydrous glasses that are low- and high-silica respectively.

239 **Data processing.** To check for sample homogeneity, Fe $K\alpha$ was compared between repeat
240 analyses. If the Fe $K\alpha$ intensity was significantly outside the counting error for other repeats,
241 the erroneous repeat analysis was removed from further processing and, if the sample was too
242 inhomogeneous, the sample was not processed further. The analyses were then averaged at
243 each time interval for Fe $L\alpha_f$ (separately for each spectrometer), Fe $L\beta_f$, Fe $K\alpha$ and K $K\alpha$.
244 Using these averages at each time interval, Fe $L\beta_f$ was divided by the sum of Fe $L\alpha_f$ from the
245 two spectrometers to calculate Fe $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$. Errors on Fe $K\alpha$, K $K\alpha$, Fe $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$ and time are
246 the standard deviation of the repeat measurements. An exponential equation of the following
247 form was fitted to each sample:

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$$I = (I_0 - I_\infty) \exp\left(\frac{I'_0 t}{I_0 - I_\infty}\right) + I_\infty \quad (1)$$

249 Where I is the Fe L β_f /L α_f intensity ratio and t is time, subscripts refer to the values at time = 0
250 and ∞ , and I'_0 is the rate of change of I with time at time = 0. When the minimisation failed to
251 converge, I_∞ was fixed to the last measured value for the sample. The error in both these
252 cases is the standard error on the fit coefficients. In those cases where Fe L β_f /L α_f was
253 constant with time, convergence is not possible, therefore the average of Fe L β_f /L α_f with time
254 was used, where the error was the standard deviation of these data. Analyses with large errors
255 ($> \pm 0.1$ for I_0 and $> \pm 0.01$ for I'_0), likely due to inhomogeneity, extremely rapid redox
256 changes or analytical problems, are discarded. An R code for data processing is included in
257 the Supplementary Material.

258 **Raman Spectroscopy**

259 Raman spectroscopy was used to detect the presence of nanolites before and after electron
260 beam irradiation as nanolites alter the Raman spectra of silicate glasses. Magnetite nanolites
261 produce a peak due at $\sim 670 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, which also decreases the intensity of the surrounding
262 silicate peaks (Di Genova et al., 2017a,b). Carbon coats were removed prior to analysis.
263 Raman spectra were collected using the Thermo Scientific DXRxi Raman Imaging
264 Microscope at the School of Earth Sciences, University of Bristol, UK, with a green (520 nm)
265 laser, 50 \times (long distance) or 100 \times objective, and 3 – 5 mW power to avoid sample oxidation.
266 An extended grating was used to also collect data on H₂O content. All samples, except AMS,
267 FSP, PSG, and Y which have been previously analysed by Di Genova et al. (2017a,b), were
268 analysed on non-irradiated areas of glass. Selected glasses that cover a range of compositions
269 (ETNA08, MAS.1.A5, FSP1, FSP9, PSG6, and PSB63) were additionally analysed following
270 electron beam irradiation.

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Results

273 **Electron Probe Micro-Analysis**

274 **Wavelength and intensity changes of Fe L lines in silicate glasses.** For the same Fe
275 oxidation state, peak intensity increases and peak positions shift to higher wavelengths with
276 increasing FeO_T (Figure 3a). For the same FeO_T oxidised samples have greater peak
277 intensities and lower wavelength peak positions than reduced samples (Figure 3a). At higher
278 accelerating voltages (30 vs. 15 kV) the intensity of Fe L α and Fe L β decrease, but there is no
279 appreciable shift in peak positions (Figure 3b). Therefore, there is no appreciable change in
280 optimum flank positions, although the difference between the flank intensities decreases
281 (Figure 3c).

282 **Time-dependent intensity changes during electron beam irradiation.** During electron
283 beam irradiation, the intensity of K K α remains stable (anhydrous glasses) or decreases
284 (hydrous glasses) over time (Figure 4), whereas for Fe K α the intensity remains stable
285 (anhydrous glasses) or increases (hydrous glasses) (Figure 5). The ratio of Fe L β _F/L α _F
286 increases (anhydrous low-silica), remains stable (anhydrous low-silica and hydrous high-
287 silica) or decreases (hydrous low-silica) over time (Figure 6). In those cases where intensity
288 changes are observed, the rate typically increases with decreasing beam diameter and
289 accelerating voltage, and increasing beam current. Data were collected during different
290 sessions, therefore differences in the absolute intensity at different conditions are not
291 meaningful.

292 **Raman spectroscopy**

293 **Before electron beam irradiation.** The majority of glasses analysed are nanolite-free prior
294 to electron beam irradiation (Figure 7a and b). Exceptions are AR37 (composition LS) and
295 ETNA(2) (samples ETNA 3, 6, 7, 8, 14, 16 and 30), with a peak at $\sim 670\text{ cm}^{-1}$ indicating

296 magnetite nanolites. Magnetite nanolites were detected in AMS4 and Y-L using Raman
297 spectroscopy by Di Genova et al. (2017a,b).

298 **After electron beam irradiation.** Most glasses analysed following electron beam irradiation
299 (MAS.1.A4, FSP1, FSP9 and PSG6) exhibit new magnetite nanolites (peak at $\sim 670\text{ cm}^{-1}$
300 wavenumbers) when irradiated using a $4\text{ }\mu\text{m}$ beam diameter implying oxidation (Figure 7c).
301 Additionally, ETNA08, MAS.1.A4, and PSG6 have a new peak at $\sim 1350\text{ cm}^{-1}$, which
302 corresponds to haematite (RUFF Raman spectra database, <http://rruff.info/>, Lafuente et al.,
303 2015), implying the formation of haematite nanolites following electron beam irradiation
304 (Figure 7c). PSB63 shows no evidence for the presence of Fe-bearing nanolites following
305 electron beam irradiation. The H_2O peak ($\sim 3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$) shows a decrease in height after
306 electron beam irradiation for hydrous samples (ETNA08, MAS.1.A4, PSG6, and PSB63),
307 implying loss of water.

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309 **Controls on Fe redox changes in silicate glasses during electron beam irradiation**

310 The ratio of $\text{Fe L}\beta_f/\text{L}\alpha_f$ over time increased, remained stable or decreased (Figure 6), which
311 could be due to a variety of causes as $\text{Fe L}\beta_f/\text{L}\alpha_f$ depends on Fe concentration, oxidation state
312 and coordination. $\text{Fe K}\alpha$ increases over time (Figure 5), implying an increase in Fe_T . This is
313 due to the process of “grow-in” (Morgan and London, 2005), where the concentration of
314 immobile elements (e.g., Si, Al and Fe) increases due to the migration of alkalis (e.g., Na^+
315 and K^+ , Figure 4) and H^+ (Figure 7c) towards the build-up of negative charge at depth (e.g.,
316 Humphreys et al., 2006) and possible density changes. The increase in Fe_T implied by the
317 increase in $\text{Fe K}\alpha$ for hydrous silicate glasses (MAS.1.B4 and PSB63, Figure 5) is small
318 ($\sim 0.13\text{ wt}\%$ FeO_T). This is calculated to cause a negligible change on $\text{Fe L}\beta_f/\text{L}\alpha_f$ (~ 0.004 ,

319 within measurement error), and therefore changes due to Fe concentration are not considered
320 further.

321 Additional carbon contamination can be deposited on the sample during electron beam
322 irradiation (Bastin and Heijligers, 1988). This can change X-ray intensities over time due to
323 reduction of the electron landing energy caused by energy loss within and X-ray absorption
324 by the contaminant (Reed, 1975). The former is negligible at the high voltages used here,
325 whereas the latter should not affect Fe $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$ as the mass absorption coefficients of Fe $L\alpha$
326 and Fe $L\beta$ by C are very similar (5762.34 and $5485.53 \text{ cm}^2 \cdot \text{g}^{-1}$ respectively from the FFAST
327 database). To change Fe $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$ by 1 % relative (within measurement error) would require >
328 100 nm of C contamination (calculated using CalcZAF) during the 150 s analysis. This is far
329 more than has been measured in previous studies (e.g., 8 ± 2 nm over 180 s; Buse et al.,
330 2016), therefore the effect of contamination can be considered negligible.

331 These considerations imply that any changes observed in Fe $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$ are due primarily to
332 changes in Fe oxidation state over time. Increasing Fe $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$ is caused by increasing
333 $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$ and hence Fe reduction ($\text{Fe}^{3+} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{2+}$). Conversely, decreasing Fe $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$ is caused
334 by decreasing $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$ and hence Fe oxidation ($\text{Fe}^{2+} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{3+}$). Finally, no change in Fe
335 $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$ with time implies stable $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$ during analysis. The presence of predominantly
336 magnetite nanolites after electron beam irradiation implies that oxidation proceeds via
337 precipitation of $\text{FeO} \cdot \text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$, not just Fe_2O_3 , as has been previously suggested (Fialin and
338 Wagner, 2012).

339 **Direction of redox change: Total Mobile Cations**

340 To investigate the compositional controls on the rate and mechanism of redox changes during
341 electron beam irradiation, we define the parameter Total Mobile Cations (TMC), which is the
342 molar sum of ($\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Na}_2\text{O} + \text{K}_2\text{O}$) per gram of glass (units: $\text{mol} \cdot \text{g}^{-1}$). This provides a

343 maximum estimate of the moles of available oxygen if all the H^+ , Na^+ and K^+ migrated due to
344 the build-up of negative charge (Humphreys et al., 2006). TMC is typically dominated by
345 H_2O due to the low atomic mass of H compared to Na and K. Figure 8 shows the rate of
346 change of $Fe\ L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$ with time at time zero (I'_0) against TMC. Glasses with $TMC < 0.1$
347 $mol\cdot g^{-1}$ remain stable or reduce over time ($I'_0 \geq 0\ s^{-1}$), corresponding to anhydrous ($H_2O <$
348 $0.38\ wt\%$), alkali-poor ($Na_2O + K_2O < 5.5\ wt\%$) glasses. Conversely, glasses with $TMC >$
349 $0.1\ mol\cdot g^{-1}$ remain stable or oxidise over time ($I'_0 \leq 0\ s^{-1}$) corresponding to either hydrous
350 ($H_2O > 1.03\ wt\%$) or alkali-rich ($11.3 \pm 0.2\ wt\%\ Na_2O + K_2O$) glasses. The mechanisms
351 causing reduction are likely always to occur in the glass during electron beam irradiation,
352 therefore it appears that at $TMC \geq 0.1\ mol\cdot g^{-1}$ the rate of oxidation is greater than the rate of
353 reduction, hence oxidation prevails.

354 **Rate of reduction: Initial Fe oxidation state**

355 Figure 9 shows I'_0 against initial Fe^{2+}/Fe_T for anhydrous, low-silica (43 – 56 wt% SiO_2)
356 glasses where, for a specific glass composition, Fe^{2+}/Fe_T correlates negatively with rate of
357 reduction. Glasses that are mostly reduced ($Fe^{2+}/Fe_T > 0.9$) cannot reduce any further and
358 remain stable, therefore reduction is confined to initially oxidised glasses. Between the suites
359 of glass with different compositions, there is no obvious compositional control on I'_0 .

360 **Rate of oxidation**

361 **H_2O content.** Figure 10 shows the rate of change of $Fe\ L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$ over time at time zero (I'_0)
362 against TMC for suites of low-silica glasses (43 – 56 wt% SiO_2) that have variable H_2O
363 concentrations, but constant glass composition. Broadly, I'_0 becomes more negative with
364 increasing TMC. For a fixed glass composition the increase in TMC is due to increasing H_2O
365 content, therefore the rate of oxidation increases with increasing H_2O . The diffusivity of H_2O
366 in basaltic glasses is dependent on the total H_2O content (Okumura and Nakashima, 2006),

367 thus the rate of oxidation increases with increasing H₂O diffusivity. These results show that
368 the migration of H⁺, in addition to Na⁺ and K⁺ as previously suggested by Fialin and Wagner
369 (2012), leads to oxidation of Fe during electron beam irradiation. In fact, when considering
370 the mobile cation responsible for Fe oxidation, H⁺ plays a more important role than might be
371 expected from its oxide wt% concentrations alone due to the low atomic mass of H.

372 **SiO₂ content.** High-silica (61 – 78 wt% SiO₂) glasses remain broadly stable during electron
373 beam irradiation (Figure 8), despite the Raman spectra of electron beam irradiated areas using
374 a 4 μm beam diameter indicating the formation of magnetite nanolites (Figure 7c). This
375 implies extremely rapid oxidation at 4 μm, which is consistent with the rate of alkali
376 migration, and probably H, being faster during electron beam irradiation of high- compared
377 to low-silica glasses (e.g., Figure 4; Hayward, 2011). This may be due to the more
378 polymerised structure of high-silica glasses (Mysen et al., 1982).

379 **Fe content.** PSB glasses do not oxidise ($I'_0 \approx 0 \text{ s}^{-1}$, Figure 8, and there are no Fe-bearing
380 nanolites observable in the Raman spectra prior to or following electron beam irradiation,
381 Figure 7c), despite TMC > 0.4 mol·g⁻¹ due to their high alkali and water contents. These
382 glasses contain little Fe (FeO_T ≤ 3.2 wt%), which could hinder oxidation as FeO groups may
383 need to lie close together in order to produce Fe₂O₃.

384 **Presence of nanolites.** Surprisingly, low-silica (47 – 58 wt% SiO₂) glasses with TMC > 0.35
385 mol·g⁻¹, which corresponds to H₂O > 4 wt% (Figure 10), appear stable ($I'_0 \approx 0 \text{ s}^{-1}$). It is
386 possible that they oxidised very quickly and the change is not observable. Analyses using a
387 10 μm beam size are also stable (Figure 8a), but there is evidence for the formation of
388 haematite nanolites during electron beam irradiation (Figure 7c). This either means the
389 oxidation is extremely rapid, due to the very high H₂O contents, or not occurring due to the

390 presence of magnetite nanolites before irradiation where the Fe may be stable, but further
391 study is required to understand this process fully.

392 **Effect of analytical conditions**

393 For all X-rays measured (K $K\alpha$, Fe $K\alpha$ and Fe $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$), the rate of change of intensity
394 increases with decreasing beam diameter and accelerating voltage, and increasing beam
395 current (Figure 4 – Figure 6, 8), as is commonly observed during electron beam irradiation
396 (e.g., Morgan and London, 2005). The analytical conditions control the electron density
397 implanted into the sample and therefore the magnitude of sub-surface charging. Increasing
398 the beam current increases the electron dosage to the sample. The interaction volume is
399 reduced by decreasing both the accelerating voltage and beam diameter, limiting the depth
400 these electrons penetrate and the irradiated area respectively. Overall, the rate of intensity
401 change increases with increasing implanted electron density (i.e., decreased interaction
402 volume and/or increased electron dosage).

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404 **Quantifying Fe oxidation state: Time-Dependent Ratio Flank Method**

405 **Calibration and errors**

406 Hofer and Brey (2007) found that the ratio of Fe $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$ correlated linearly with Fe^{2+} for
407 garnets, with a small secondary dependence on Fe_T . Consequently, their coefficients (m and
408 c) of $Fe^{2+} = m \cdot (Fe\ L\beta_f/L\alpha_f) + c$ were dependent on Fe_T . Our data showed no improvement to
409 the correlation between Fe $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$ and Fe^{2+} by allowing the coefficients to depend on Fe_T ,
410 therefore m and c are fitted without Fe_T dependence using a weighted least squares regression
411 (weighted using error on independently-constrained Fe^{2+}). The lack of dependence on Fe_T is
412 likely because the composition of natural silicate glasses investigated here covers a much
413 narrower range of Fe_T compared to garnets (< 18 vs. 64 wt% FeO_T respectively). The

414 calibration curve is not constant between sessions (Figure 11 and Table 5, and additional
415 sessions in the Supplementary Material), therefore a new calibration curve should be
416 produced for each session.

417 It appears that low-silica and peralkaline glasses require different calibration curves (Figure
418 11b), therefore these two sample groups were fitted separately. Using these different
419 calibration curves, $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$ is replicated well for both compositions (Figure 12a and b). Fe
420 coordination also effects the Fe L lines but the coordination of silicate glasses is very similar
421 (Cottrell et al., 2009). Instead, it may be that absorption within the glass of the Fe L lines is
422 different between these two broad compositional groups due to their different compositions,
423 although this was not observed for garnets (Hofer and Brey, 2007). Compositional
424 differences within the low-silica glasses may also explain the scatter observed in the
425 calibration curves, but it is not possible to explore this fully using the current dataset. It may
426 be that errors on $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$ can be reduced by using compositionally-matched glass standards.
427 In practice such standards are unlikely to be available, therefore we recommend using
428 standards with broadly similar compositions (i.e., low-silica or peralkaline) when using this
429 technique.

430 A calibration curve could not be created for high-silica glasses PSB and Y as they cover a
431 narrow range of Fe^{2+} (< 2 wt% Fe^{2+}). Their $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$ are poorly replicated by the low-silica
432 calibration curve (Figure 12c), to which they lie more closely than the peralkaline calibration
433 curve (Figure 11b). This is likely due to their low Fe content ($\text{FeO}_T < 3.3$ wt%, except Y-L
434 with 6.2 wt%), therefore this technique is unsuitable for low Fe glasses (i.e., $\text{FeO}_T < 5$ wt%).

435 The $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$ precision, using a residual standard error of 0.5 wt% on Fe^{2+} and 1 % relative
436 error on FeO_T , depends on the Fe concentration and oxidation state ($\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$ error =
437 $(\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T)_{\text{EPMA}} \cdot \sqrt{[(0.5/\text{Fe}^{2+})^2 + (0.01)^2]}$), e.g., ± 0.03 for 10 wt% FeO_T and 0.5 $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$. The

438 average accuracy for low-silica (43 – 56 wt% SiO₂) and peralkaline (70 – 76 wt% SiO₂)
439 glasses with 5 – 18 wt% FeO_T, and 0 – 4 wt% H₂O, when the appropriate analytical
440 conditions and calibration curves are used, is ±0.1 (Figure 12a and b).

441 **Recommended analytical conditions**

442 Analytical conditions can be optimised according to the nature of any given sample as
443 different conditions (beam diameter and current, total count time of a single analysis, and
444 number of analyses averaged) can be used on the standards and unknowns, so long as the
445 accelerating voltage and flank positions remain the same. Hofer and Brey (2007) showed that
446 for garnets the optimum accelerating voltage is 15 kV; at lower and higher accelerating
447 voltages the sensitivity of the Flank Method is reduced. For glasses, the sensitivity of the
448 Flank Method also decreased at higher accelerating voltages (Figure 3b and c). An
449 accelerating voltage of 15 kV allows the composition of the sample to be analysed, via
450 conventional EPMA, without further calibration or beam focussing.

451 The error on the corrected Fe Lβ_f/Lα_f is a function of counting statistics, the fit of an
452 exponential function to the change in Fe Lβ_f/Lα_f with time, and the number of analyses
453 averaged. Counting statistics can be improved by using a higher beam current, but this can
454 cause the rate of change to occur too quickly to be observed. Decreasing the beam diameter
455 will also increase the rate of change, as seen here for high-silica glasses, but improves spatial
456 resolution. Therefore, it is important to know the approximate composition of the target glass
457 (e.g., by EDS analysis) to understand how quickly the change in Fe oxidation is likely to
458 occur. If redox changes occur too quickly, the time-corrected Fe Lβ_f/Lα_f will be wrong
459 leading to erroneous Fe²⁺/Fe_T values. Our data at a 15 kV accelerating voltage, 50 nA beam
460 current, 4 μm beam diameter, and averaging 10 analyses produced a relative error on the
461 corrected Fe Lβ_f/Lα_f of ~3 %, and gave the flexibility to analyse a variety of glass

462 morphologies for hydrous low-silica glasses. A larger beam size (10 – 15 μm diameter) is
463 needed to analyse high-silica samples containing sufficient iron (i.e., peralkaline) due to the
464 rapid rate of oxidation, which unfortunately sacrifices spatial resolution. This technique may
465 not be appropriate if samples contain fine-scale heterogeneities (e.g., nanolites), as the Fe
466 coordination in these phases may differ to that in the glass.

467 **Further applications**

468 The TDR Flank Method presented here could be applied to other beam-sensitive samples.
469 Electron probe induced dehydrogenation has been observed for kaersutitic amphibole,
470 resulting in the underestimation of $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$ due to oxidation (Wagner et al., 2008). Wagner et
471 al. (2008) showed the severity of damage correlated with analytical conditions and H_2O
472 content of the amphibole, in much the same way as shown here for silicate glasses. Therefore,
473 applying the TDR Flank Method to amphiboles may provide robust Fe oxidation state
474 estimates without sacrificing spatial resolution.

475 Oxidation and reduction of S has been observed during analysis of silicate glasses and
476 anhydrite when using the S $\text{K}\alpha$ peak shift to measure S oxidation state (Wallace and
477 Carmichael, 1994; Rowe et al., 2007; Wilke et al., 2011). Sulphur oxidation in silicate glasses
478 appeared to follow an exponential trend and, as observed here, the estimate of redox state at
479 time zero was found to agree with XANES measurements of the same sample (Wilke et al.,
480 2011). Sulphur redox changes are controlled by similar factors to Fe such as initial S
481 oxidation state (Rowe et al., 2007) and H_2O content (Wilke et al., 2008). If a Flank-type
482 method was developed for S (Wilke et al., 2011), time-dependent measurements could also
483 be applied, negating the need to move samples during analysis (Metrich and Clocchiatti,
484 1996; Rowe et al., 2007), thereby improving spatial resolution.

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Implications

487 Measuring the Fe oxidation state of silicate melts allows estimation of oxygen fugacity
488 prevailing during natural processes and in experiments. The Time-Dependent Ratio Flank
489 Method presented here combines the ability to measure the Fe oxidation state at high
490 resolution with the utility of the electron probe. This will allow routine measurement of Fe
491 oxidation state of melt inclusions and interstitial glass, previously hampered by the need for
492 synchrotron access. Melt inclusions provide a unique insight into the pre-eruptive magma but
493 studies have shown that the Fe oxidation state can be altered by degassing (e.g., Moussallam
494 et al., 2014) and cooling (e.g., Hartley et al., 2017) post-entrapment, complicating their use as
495 a proxy for oxygen fugacity. Hence, larger datasets generated due to easier access, will allow
496 the importance of these processes to be further investigated, although for some applications
497 smaller errors will be required. Also, a better understanding of the analytical and
498 compositional controls on redox changes during electron beam irradiation of silicate glasses
499 (summarised in Figure 13) can aid our understanding of glass structure and improve
500 analytical routines.

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723 **Appendix**

724 **Time-Dependent Ratio Flank Method Protocol**

- 725 1. Set analytical conditions: 15 kV accelerating voltage, 10 nA beam current and
726 focussed beam. Focus z.
- 727 2. Assign spectrometers: TAPs (e.g., TAP, LTAP, TAPH) on F $K\alpha$, PETs on K $K\alpha$, and
728 LIFs on Fe $K\alpha$.
- 729 3. Change conditions: 10 μm beam diameter (may need 50 nA beam current for peaking
730 MgF_2).
- 731 4. Peak-up spectrometers and set PHA windows: F $K\alpha$ on MgF_2 , K $K\alpha$ on sanidine, and
732 Fe $K\alpha$ on basaltic glass.
- 733 5. Calculate current Fe $L\alpha_f$ and Fe $L\beta_f$ positions using spectrometer positions from F $K\alpha$
734 peak positions.
- 735 6. New spectrometer set-up: change TAPs to Fe $L\alpha_f$ and Fe $L\beta_f$.
- 736 7. If using Probe for EPMA software: select MAN backgrounds, collect standards (e.g.,
737 on sanidine, basaltic glass, NaCl and MgO) otherwise software will not let you export
738 the data.
- 739 8. a) If using Probe for EPMA software use Time-Dependent Intensity option: each
740 measurement is 120 s with 24 intervals.

- 741 b) Otherwise: each measurement 5 s. Either add 24 measurements on the same point
742 or add a line scan of 24 points where the start and end position are the same.
- 743 9. Collect unknowns and standards (e.g., ten analyses per sample).
- 744 10. Average data for each sample.
- 745 11. Process data – R code available in Supplementary Material.
- 746 12. Produce calibration curve and calculate $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$ for unknowns.

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750 *Figure 1 (a)* Energy level diagram of the electron transitions that generate characteristic Fe
751 X-rays, and *(b)* wavelength spectra of the Fe $L\alpha$ and $L\beta$ peaks for a reduced, high FeO_T
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753 plotted using the left-hand axes, and the difference spectrum (dotted, calculated once the
754 wavescans are normalised to their maximum Fe $L\alpha$ peak intensity) plotted using the right-
755 hand axes. The red box indicates the wavelengths measured for the Peak Shift Method (Fe $L\alpha$
756 wavescan). The blue vertical lines indicate optimum wavelength positions measured for the
757 Flank Method, which correspond to the maximum and minimum of the difference spectrum.

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759 normalised to the volatile-free total), and *(b)* Fe^{2+}/Fe_T against FeO_T for samples with known
760 Fe oxidation state. Symbol shape indicates glass composition (Table 1), colour indicates H_2O
761 content, and a black outline indicates known Fe oxidation state; those without an outline have
762 unknown Fe oxidation state. TAS classification abbreviations: PB = microbasalt, B = basalt,
763 BA = basaltic andesite, A = andesite, D = dacite, TB = trachybasalt, BTA = basaltic
764 trachyandesite, TA = trachyandesite, T = trachyte, R = rhyolite, Ba = basanite, P =
765 phonotephrite, TP = tephriphonolite, and Ph = phonolite.

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769 bottom. *(a)* Different FeO_T and Fe oxidation states at 15 kV accelerating voltage, *(b)*
770 different accelerating voltages, *(c)* different accelerating voltages with the intensity
771 normalised to the maximum Fe $L\alpha$ intensity, and *(d)* difference spectra (AR14 – AR19) at
772 different accelerating voltages, calculated from the normalised spectra, with optimum flank

773 positions shown (vertical lines). The Fe $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$ ratio is 0.55 for AR14 and 0.92 for AR19 at
774 15 kV.

775 *Figure 4* Intensity of K $K\alpha$ with time. Analytical conditions (accelerating voltage, beam
776 current, beam diameter) shown along the top and sample description on the left-hand side.
777 Symbols and colours as Figure 2a except that open/closed symbol indicates initial Fe
778 oxidation state: open symbols are oxidised ($Fe^{2+}/Fe_T < 0.2$); closed symbols are reduced
779 ($Fe^{2+}/Fe_T > 0.7$).

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781 current, beam diameter) shown along the top and sample description on the left-hand side.
782 Symbols and colours as Figure 4.

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784 beam current, beam diameter) shown along the top and sample description on the left-hand
785 side. Symbols and colours as Figure 4.

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787 and (b) hydrous glasses, where spectra are grouped, coloured, and offset vertically by average
788 glass composition (labelled under the group of spectra), and intensity is in arbitrary units, and
789 (c) selected glasses before and after electron beam irradiation at a 15 kV accelerating voltage,
790 50 nA beam current, and beam diameter indicated by line style. Black, dashed vertical lines
791 indicate the wavenumber of magnetite, and arrows indicate the wavenumber of haematite.

792 *Figure 8* Rate of change of Fe $L\beta_f/L\alpha_f$ with time at time zero (I'_0) against Total Mobile
793 Cations (TMC, molar sum of $H_2O + Na_2O + K_2O$ per gram of glass), where symbol shape
794 indicates average glass composition (Table 1) and colour indicates H_2O . Analytical

795 conditions were: 15 kV accelerating voltage, 50 nA beam current, and **(a)** 10 and **(b)** 4 μm
796 beam diameter.

797 *Figure 9* Rate of change of $\text{Fe L}\beta_f/\text{L}\alpha_f$ with time at time zero (I'_0) against $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$ for
798 anhydrous low-silica glasses, where symbol colour indicates average glass composition
799 (Table 1) and linear regressions are shown (solid lines). Analytical conditions were: 15 kV
800 accelerating voltage, 50 nA beam current, and 4 μm beam diameter.

801 *Figure 10* Rate of change of $\text{Fe L}\beta_f/\text{L}\alpha_f$ with time at time zero (I'_0) against Total Mobile
802 Cations (TMC) for hydrous low-silica glasses, where symbol shape and colour indicates
803 average glass composition (Table 1), and open symbols indicate the presence of nanolites.
804 Analytical conditions were: 15 kV accelerating voltage, 50 nA beam current, and 4 μm beam
805 diameter.

806 *Figure 11* Calibration curves derived for two sessions (#2 and 5), where Fe^{2+} is constrained
807 using $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$ from independent techniques and Fe_T from EPMA. Symbol shape indicates
808 average glass composition (Table 1) and colour indicates H_2O . Analytical conditions were:
809 15 kV accelerating voltage and 50 nA beam current. **(a)** Low-silica glasses using 10 μm beam
810 diameter, and **(b)** all glasses with separate calibration curves for low-silica (solid) and
811 peralkaline (dashed) glasses (high-silica glasses are shown but not included in the fit), using a
812 15 μm beam diameter.

813 *Figure 12* EPMA against independently constrained $\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Fe}_T$ collected during all sessions for
814 **(a)** low-silica (43 – 56 wt% SiO_2), **(b)** peralkaline (FSP+PSG), and **(c)** high-silica (69 – 78
815 wt% SiO_2 – using low-silica glass derived calibration curves) glasses, where symbol shape
816 indicates average glass composition (Table 1) and colour indicates H_2O . Analytical
817 conditions were: 15 kV accelerating voltage, 50 nA beam current, and 4 – 15 μm beam
818 diameter.

819 *Figure 13* Schematic diagram showing the controls on the direction and rate of Fe redox
820 changes in silicate glasses during electron beam irradiation.

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Supplementary Material

822 **Experimental glass synthesis: ETNA glasses**

823 Starting powders were made of a mechanical mixture of albite, anorthite, sanidine, fayalite,
824 wollastonite, SiO₂, MnO, MgO, TiO₂, Fe₂O₃, Ca₃(PO₄)₂, and CaCO₃, by grinding in an agate
825 mortar. Approximately 50 mg of starting powder was loaded into 3 (diameter) by ~15
826 (length) mm Au₈₀-Pd₂₀ capsules, except ETNA24 where ~500 mg was loaded into a 5
827 (diameter) by ~30 (length) mm Au₇₅-Pd₂₅ capsule, and welded shut. Capsules were immersed
828 in water at 50 °C then put in an ~100 °C oven for 10 minutes to check for leaks. Glasses were
829 synthesised (6 capsules at a time, except ETNA24) in an internally-heated pressure vessel
830 (IHPV) for ~18 hours at 1250 °C and 1, 3, 5 or 7 kbar (see Table 1 for details) using Ar gas as
831 the pressurising medium at the Institut für Mineralogie, Leibniz Universität Hannover,
832 Germany. Experiments were run under intrinsic oxygen fugacity conditions (~NNO+3.5 for
833 H₂O-saturated charges, Berndt et al., 2002). The sample holder is equipped with four S-type
834 thermocouples: two are used to control the furnace temperature and two are used to record
835 the sample temperature. Temperature varied by < 5 °C during experiments. Pressure
836 variations during the experiment were limited to ±0.02 kbar. Samples were quenched using a
837 rapid-quench device at ~150 °C·s⁻¹ (Berndt et al., 2002).

838 *Table 1* Synthesis pressure of experimental samples.

Pressure (kbar)	Sample numbers
1	12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17
3	1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 11
5	24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30
7	4, 5, 8, 9, 10

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840 **Analytical techniques**

841 **Electron Probe Micro-Analysis (EPMA).** Major and minor element chemistry of ETNA
842 and AR glasses were measured using the JEOL JXA 8530F Hyperprobe at the School of

843 Earth Sciences, University of Bristol, UK. Glass chips were mounted in epoxy, ground to a
 844 $\sim 1 \mu\text{m}$ polish then carbon coated ($\sim 15 \text{ nm}$ thickness). Analytical conditions were: 15 kV
 845 accelerating voltage, 10 nA beam current, and $10 \mu\text{m}$ beam diameter. For quantification, H
 846 was included as an element by difference and O was calculated from stoichiometry, with all
 847 Fe as FeO. Further analytical details are specified in Table 2 for ETNA glasses and Table 3
 848 for AR glasses.

849 *Table 2* Analytical details for EPMA of ETNA glasses.

Spectrometer - Crystal					
	1 – TAP	2 – TAP	3 – PETH	4 – LIFH	5 - PETL
1	Si (BCR-2)	Na (BCR-2)	Ca (BCR-2)	Fe (BCR-2)	K (Sanidine)
2	Al (BCR-2)	Mg (BCR-2)	Ti (TiO ₂)	Mn (Mn metal)	P (Durango apatite)

850 Notes: elements were peaked on their standard (given in brackets) and BCR-2 is the USGS
 851 basaltic glass standard Columbia River Basalt. Peak counting times were 10 s and high and
 852 low background counting times were 5 s each. For each sample, 36 analyses on fresh areas of
 853 glass were averaged.

854 *Table 3* Analytical details for EPMA of AR glasses.

Spectrometer – Crystal					
	1 – PETJ	2 – TAP	3 – TAPH	4 – PETH	5 – LIFL
1	Ca (BCR-2)	Si (BCR-2)	Na (BCR-2)	K (Sanidine)	Fe (BCR-2)
2	Ti (TiO ₂)	Al (BCR-2)	Mg (BCR-2)	P (Durango apatite)	Mn (Mn metal)
3	Cl (NaCl)			S (Barite)	

855 Notes: elements were peaked on their standard (given in brackets), except S which was
 856 re-peaked on VG2 (Smithsonian microbeam standard) before unknowns were analysed, and
 857 BCR-2 is the USGS basaltic glass standard Columbia River Basalt. Peak counting times were
 858 60 s except K which was 120 s. Mean Atomic Number (MAN) backgrounds were used. The
 859 first element on each spectrometer had Time-Dependent Intensity (TDI) data collected to
 860 extrapolate to time zero in case of element migration. For each sample, three analyses on
 861 fresh areas of glass were averaged.

862 **Secondary Ion Mass Spectrometry (SIMS).** H₂O was measured in the ETNA glasses using
 863 the Cameca IMS-4f at the School of Geosciences, University of Edinburgh, UK. Glass chips
 864 were mounted in epoxy, ground to a $\sim 1 \mu\text{m}$ finish, remounted in indium then gold coated.
 865 The analytical target was pre-sputtered over a $20 \mu\text{m}^2$ area for three minutes to reduce surface
 866 contamination. Prior to H₂O measurements, CO₂ was measured in the same raster pit, but
 867 those data are not discussed here. For H₂O analyses, a O⁻ beam at 15 kV and 5 nA was used
 868 to produce positive ions over a $60 \mu\text{m}$ imaging field which was reduced to $\sim 20 \mu\text{m}$ using

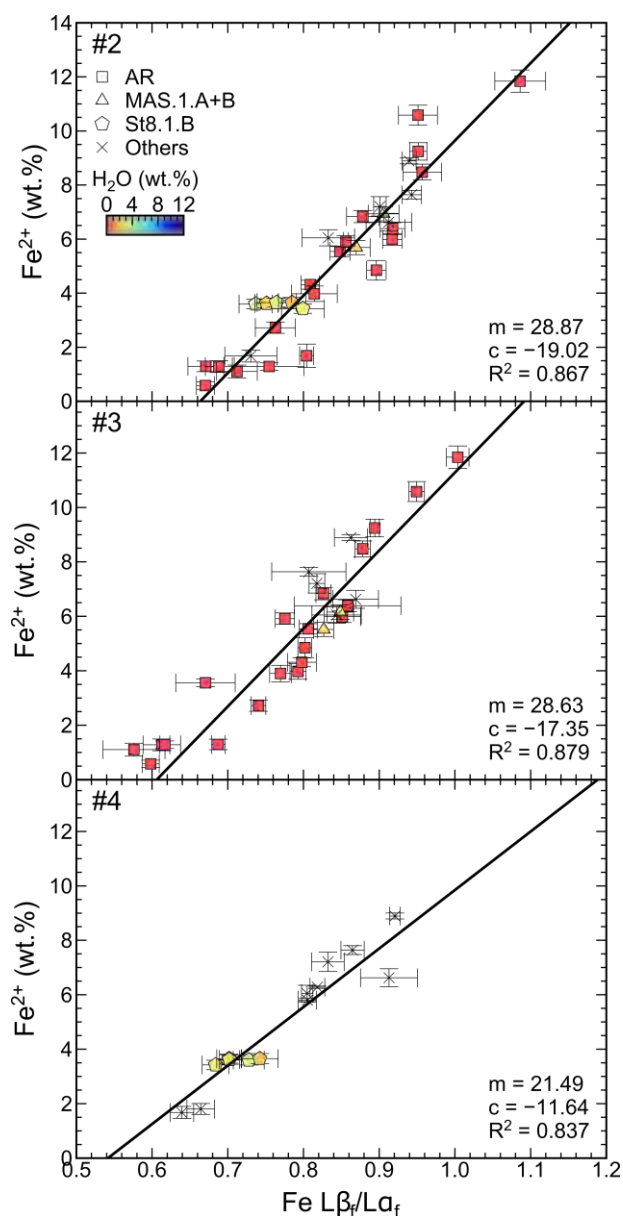
869 apertures. During peak centering a rastered 25 μm image field was used. Secondary ions were
870 extracted at 4.5 kV with a 75 kV offset and 40 eV window and a low mass resolution of 400
871 was used. Species, masses, count times and wait times are detailed in Table 4 and eight
872 cycles were collected for each measurement, although typically only the last six were used. A
873 working curve of H_2O against $^1\text{H}/^{30}\text{Si}$ using background-corrected ^1H was constructed using
874 standards containing 0 – 5 wt% H_2O . Samples were analysed 3 – 5 times, except for ETNA24
875 that was analysed 20 times on three separate chips.

876 *Table 4* Details of SIMS analysis.

Species	0.7	^1H	^{23}Na	^{26}Mg	^{30}Si	^{39}K	^{42}Ca	^{47}Ti
Mass	0.7	1.01	22.99	25.98	29.97	28.96	41.96	46.95
Count time (s)	1	4	4	4	2	2	2	2
Wait time (s)	1.5	1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2

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878 **Time-Dependent Ratio Flank Method Calibration Curves.** Figure 1 shows the additional
879 calibration curves for sessions #2 – 4 using analytical conditions of 15 kV accelerating
880 voltage, 50 nA beam current, and 4 μm beam diameter. Details of the calibration curves are in
881 Table 5.



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883 *Figure 1* Calibration curves for sessions #2 – 4, with independently constrained Fe^{2+} against
 884 corrected $\text{Fe L}\beta_f/\text{L}\alpha_f$, where symbol shape indicates average glass composition and colour
 885 indicates H_2O . Analytical conditions were: 15 kV accelerating voltage, 50 nA beam current,
 886 and 4 μm beam diameter. Session number (#) indicated in the top left corner.

887 *Table 5* Results for weighted linear regression for each session.

#	n	<i>m</i>	<i>c</i>	Adj. R^2	R.S.E. (wt%)
2	32	28.67 ± 2.05	-19.02 ± 1.77	0.87	0.55
3	27	28.63 ± 2.12	-17.35 ± 1.75	0.88	0.50
4	14	21.49 ± 2.72	-11.64 ± 2.16	0.84	0.36

888 Notes: Data were collected during separate sessions (#) using analytical conditions of a 15 kV
 889 accelerating voltage, 50 nA beam current, and 4 μm beam diameter. n is the number of
 890 measurements included in the fit. *m* and *c* are the slope and intercept respectively for $\text{Fe}^{2+} =$
 891 $m \cdot (\text{Fe L}\beta/\text{L}\alpha) + c$. Adj. R^2 is the adjusted R^2 . R.S.E. is the residual standard error on
 892 estimated Fe^{2+} .

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Tables

895 *Table 1* Normalised (volatile-free), average glass composition for the suites of experimental
 896 silicate glasses.

	AR- KLA-1- 6-22	AR-SC1	AR- 140ox	AR- LS	AR- PF22	AR- BezBA	GRN	ETNA
No.	4	4	3	4	3	4	10	24
SiO ₂	44.32	49.42	50.08	51.85	53.53	54.60	46.66	50.75
TiO ₂	3.91	2.91	0.99	3.51	1.60	0.99	1.00	1.72
Al ₂ O ₃	13.24	15.37	15.83	12.02	19.66	17.53	13.55	17.63
FeO _T	10.96	11.09	8.68	15.04	5.45	7.92	9.60	10.03
MnO	0.20	0.00	0.17	0.33	0.17	0.18	0.20	0.33
MgO	9.20	6.71	9.81	4.22	2.88	5.92	12.96	6.12
CaO	8.76	11.39	12.11	9.30	4.97	8.56	13.05	7.02
Na ₂ O	2.99	2.78	2.16	2.93	7.49	2.99	2.16	4.05
K ₂ O	0.95	0.31	0.07	0.26	3.78	0.95	0.58	1.85
P ₂ O ₅	0.16	0.03	0.08	0.54	0.48	0.16	0.24	0.50
H ₂ O	0	0	0	0	0	0	^a 0.28 – 3.50	^a 1.58 – 6.07
Fe ²⁺ /Fe _T	^c 0.14 – 0.98	^c 0.19 – 0.95	^c 0.18 – 0.97	^c 0.18 – 0.92	^c 0.13 – 0.98	^c 0.20 – 0.91	^e	n.d.
	MAS.1.A	MAS.1.B	St8.1.B	AMS	FSP	PSG	Y	PSB
No.	6	6	8	3	9	4	7	8
SiO ₂	50.86	50.84	51.86	57.72	73.16	69.21	75.37	69.61
TiO ₂	1.17	1.18	0.86	0.39	0.43	0.50	0.17	0.35
Al ₂ O ₃	18.91	18.76	19.13	18.40	8.95	9.18	12.25	16.06
FeO _T	11.18	11.19	7.53	4.51	8.14	8.62	3.43	3.30
MnO	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	0.10	0.35	0.32	0.04	0.06
MgO	3.41	3.17	6.24	1.46	0.17	0.08	0.53	0.78
CaO	9.23	9.41	10.85	4.23	0.44	0.60	1.45	3.05
Na ₂ O	2.77	2.90	2.67	3.72	4.34	6.52	2.69	4.81
K ₂ O	1.23	1.29	1.80	7.90	4.08	4.35	4.06	1.87
P ₂ O ₅	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.	0.19	0.00	0.04	0.03	0.10
H ₂ O	^a 1.58 – 2.86	^a 1.64 – 2.55	^a 1.03 – 3.38	^b 1.29 – 4.78	0	^b 0.72 – 3.55	0	^a 6.35 – 11.50
Fe ²⁺ /Fe _T	^c 0.66 – 0.72	^c 0.68 – 0.82	^c 0.63 – 0.68	n.d.	^c 0.17 – 0.76	^c 0.44 – 0.64	^c 0.39 – 0.56	^d 0.48 – 0.77

897 Notes: Oxides (in wt%) are measured using EPMA (all Fe reported as FeO, FeO_T), except
 898 H₂O which is measured by ^aSIMS, ^bKFT, or 0 indicates assumed due to experimental
 899 conditions. Fe²⁺/Fe_T is measured by ^cwet chemistry, ^dμXANES or not determined (n.d.). ^eFe
 900 oxidation state measurements may have suffered from oxidation during μXANES and are
 901 therefore not used in this study (Cottrell et al., 2018).

902 *Table 2* Fe content and oxidation state of glasses analysed using wavescans.

Sample	AR10	AR14	AR16	AR19	AR20
Glass composition	140ox	PF22	140ox	LS	PF22
FeO _T (wt%)	9.16(24)	5.75(13)	7.85(13)	14.79(19)	4.67(12)
Fe ²⁺ /Fe _T	0.18(3)	0.13(3)	0.97(3)	0.92(3)	0.98(3)

903 Notes: Glass compositions refer to Table 1. FeO_T (all Fe reported as FeO) measured using
 904 EPMA and Fe²⁺/Fe_T using wet chemistry. Errors of one standard deviation corresponding to
 905 the last significant figure are shown in brackets.

906 *Table 3* EPMA conditions for Time-Dependent Ratio Fe Lβ_F/La_F measurements.

Condition	Accelerating voltage (kV)	Beam current (nA)	Beam diameter (μm)	Number of analyses	Total duration (s)
1	15	50	4	10	150
2	15	50	10	10	150
3	15	50	15	10	150
4	15	50	20	10	150
5	15	500	10	1	360
6	30	50	10	10	150

907 Notes: Conditions 1 – 3 were used to quantify Fe oxidation state, and additional
 908 measurements were made at conditions 4 – 6 on AR10, AR16, MAS.1.B4 and PSB63 to
 909 investigate redox stability.

910 *Table 4* Glass compositions of AR10, AR16, MAS.1.B4 and PSB63.

	AR10	AR16	MAS.1.B4	PSB63
SiO ₂	49.91(30)	50.46(27)	49.72(22)	64.21(32)
TiO ₂	0.97(2)	1.00(2)	1.16(3)	0.33(2)
Al ₂ O ₃	15.67(1)	16.08(3)	18.60(5)	14.81(18)
FeO _T	9.16(24)	7.85(13)	10.88(9)	3.26(8)
MnO	0.17(1)	0.18(1)	0.03(1)	0.07(6)
MgO	9.49(2)	10.38(5)	3.28(3)	0.75(6)
CaO	11.89(10)	12.53(5)	8.89(7)	2.91(6)
Na ₂ O	2.20(2)	1.93(3)	2.89(4)	4.35(28)
K ₂ O	0.06(1)	0.06(1)	1.25(1)	1.70(12)
P ₂ O ₅	0.08(1)	0.09(1)	0.03(1)	0.10(5)
H ₂ O	0	0	2.55(13)	7.50(75)
Fe ²⁺ /Fe _T	^a 0.18(3)	^a 0.97(3)	^a 0.82(3)	^b 0.76(2)

911 Notes: Oxides (in wt%) are measured using EPMA (all Fe reported as FeO, FeO_T), except
 912 H₂O which is measured by SIMS or 0 indicates assumed due to experimental conditions.
 913 Fe²⁺/Fe_T is measured by ^awet chemistry or ^bμ-XANES. Errors of one standard deviation
 914 corresponding to the last significant figure are shown in brackets.

915 *Table 5* Example of results for weighted linear regression for Fe²⁺ calibration.

#	Beam diameter (μm)	n	<i>m</i>	<i>c</i>	Adj. R ²	R.S.E. (wt%)
1	10	38	26.87 ± 1.70	-16.08 ± 1.37	0.88	0.51
5	15	10	28.17 ± 1.91	-15.55 ± 1.47	0.96	0.17
5*	15	12	32.94 ± 9.42	-16.96 ± 5.88	0.79	0.05

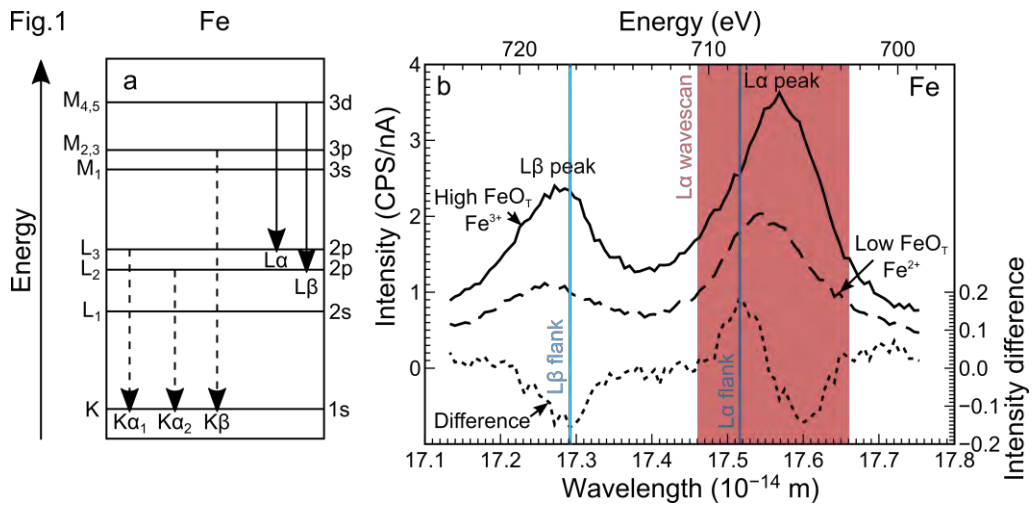
916 Notes: Data were collected in sessions #1 and 5 using analytical conditions of a 15 kV
 917 accelerating voltage and 50 nA beam current. n is the number of measurements included in
 918 the fit. *m* and *c* are the slope and intercept respectively for Fe²⁺ = *m*·(Fe Lβ/Lα) + *c*. Adj. R²

919 is the adjusted R^2 . R.S.E. is the residual standard error on estimated Fe^{2+} . Fits are for low-
920 silica and *peralkaline glasses.

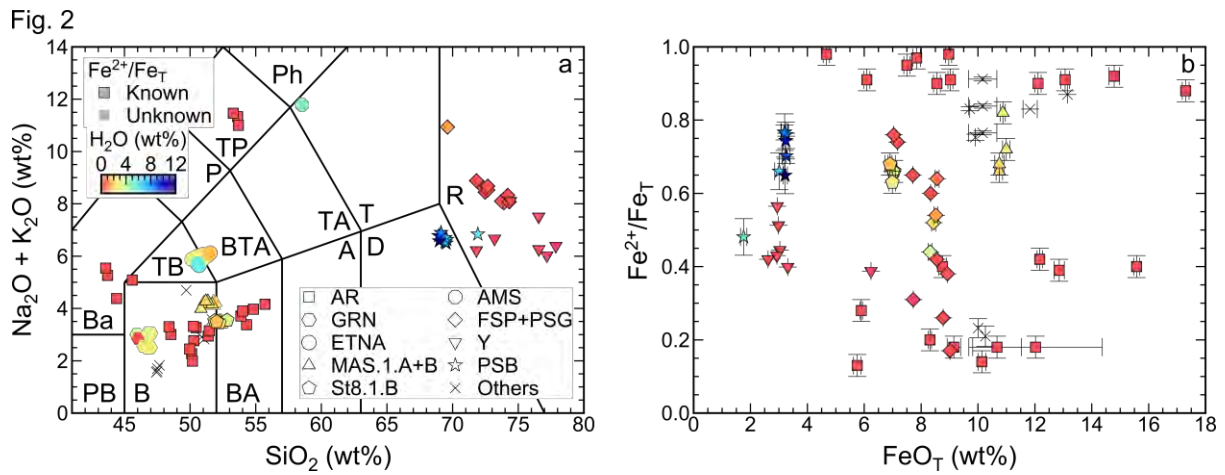
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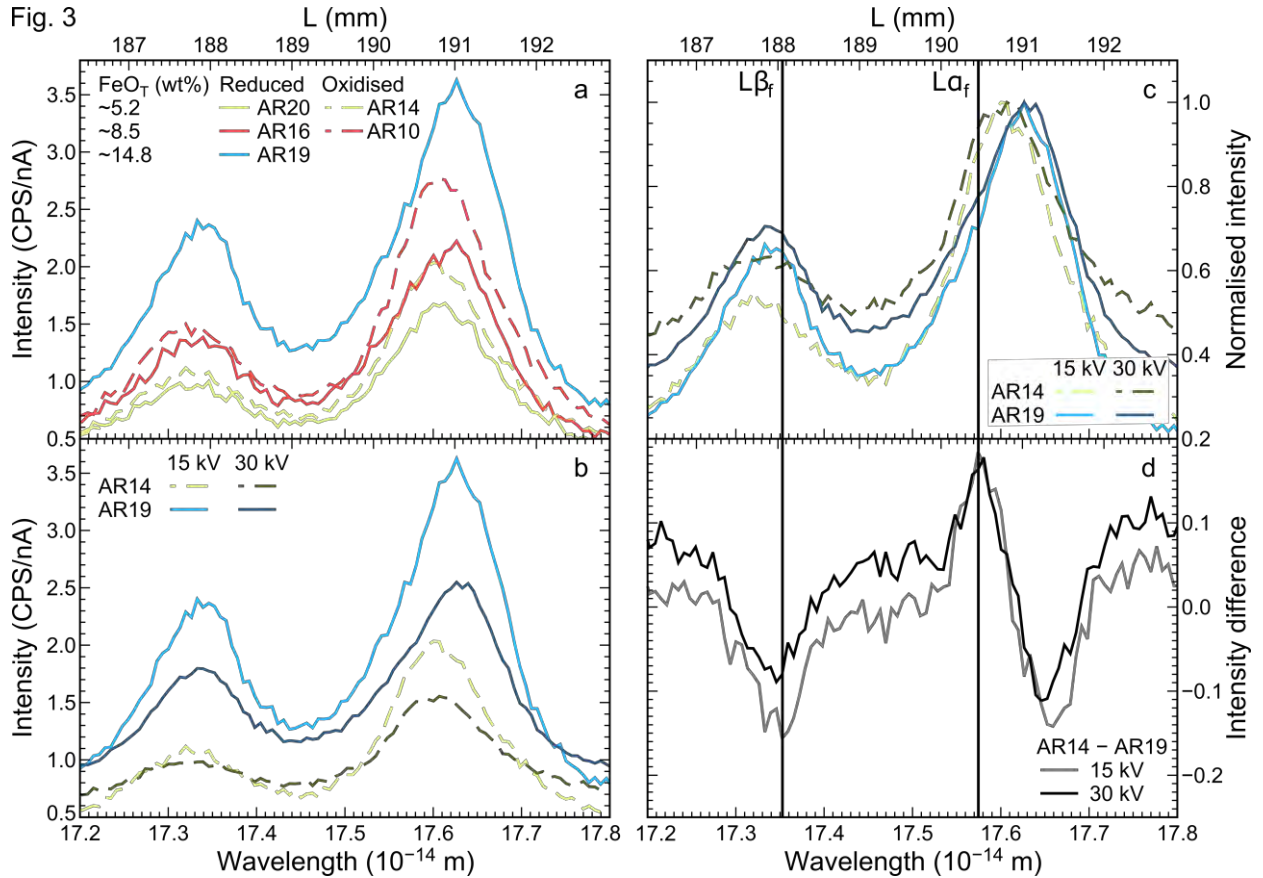
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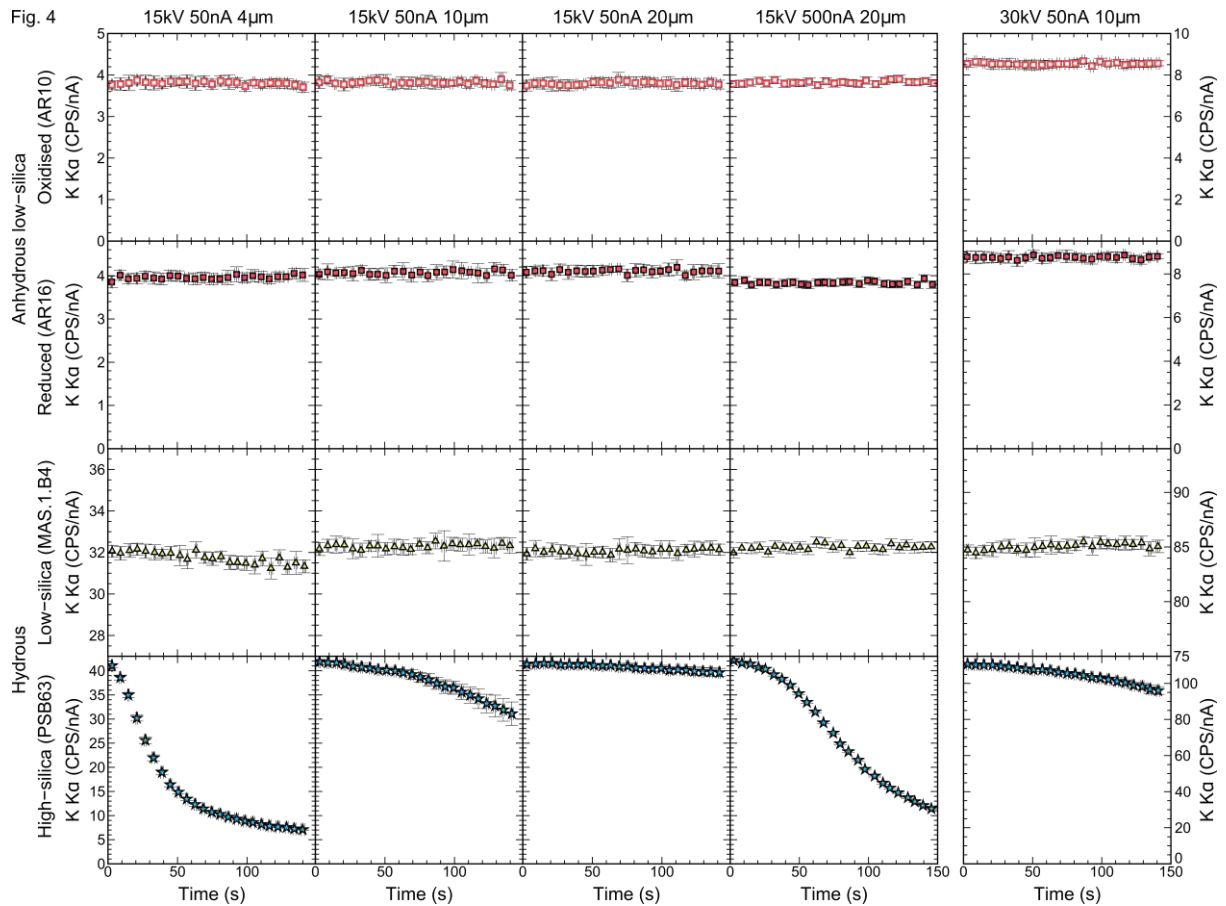
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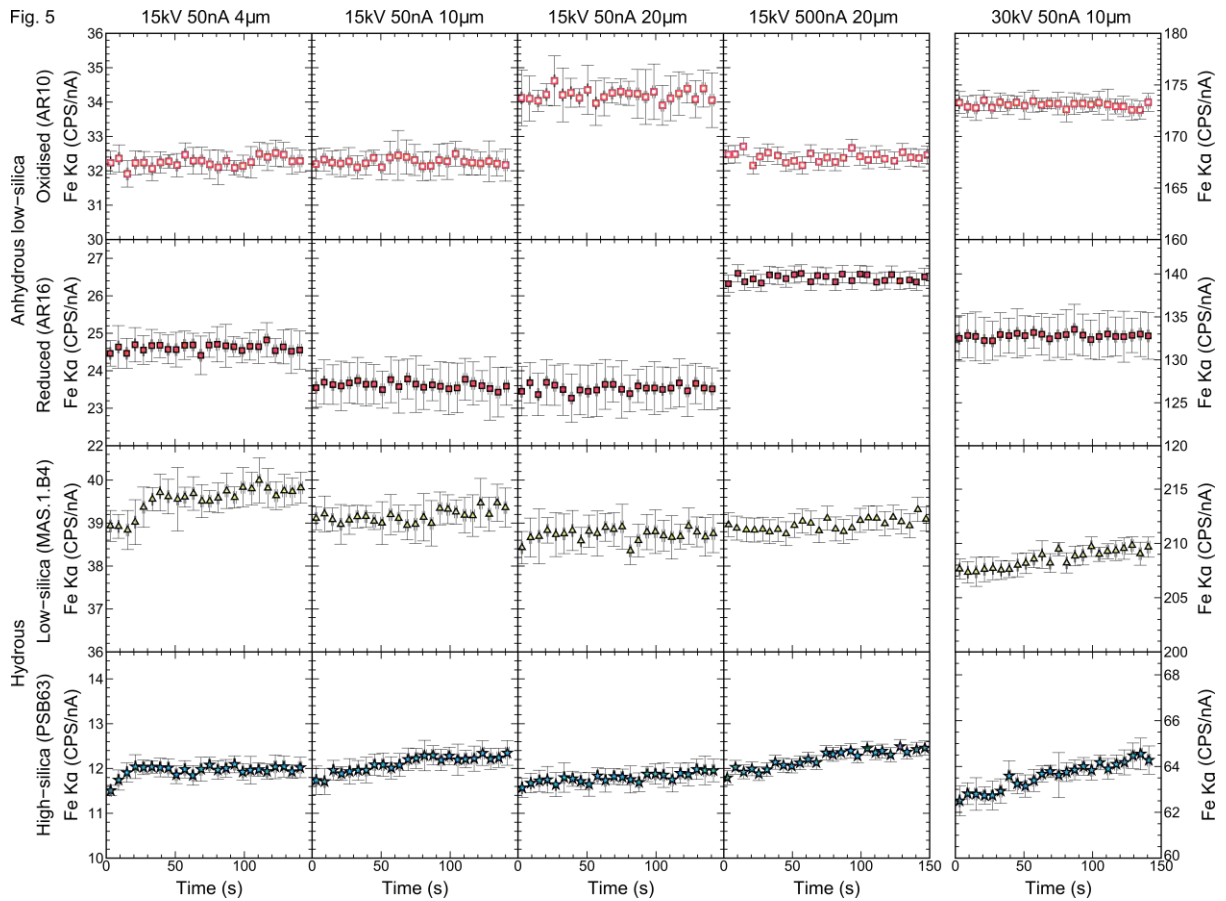


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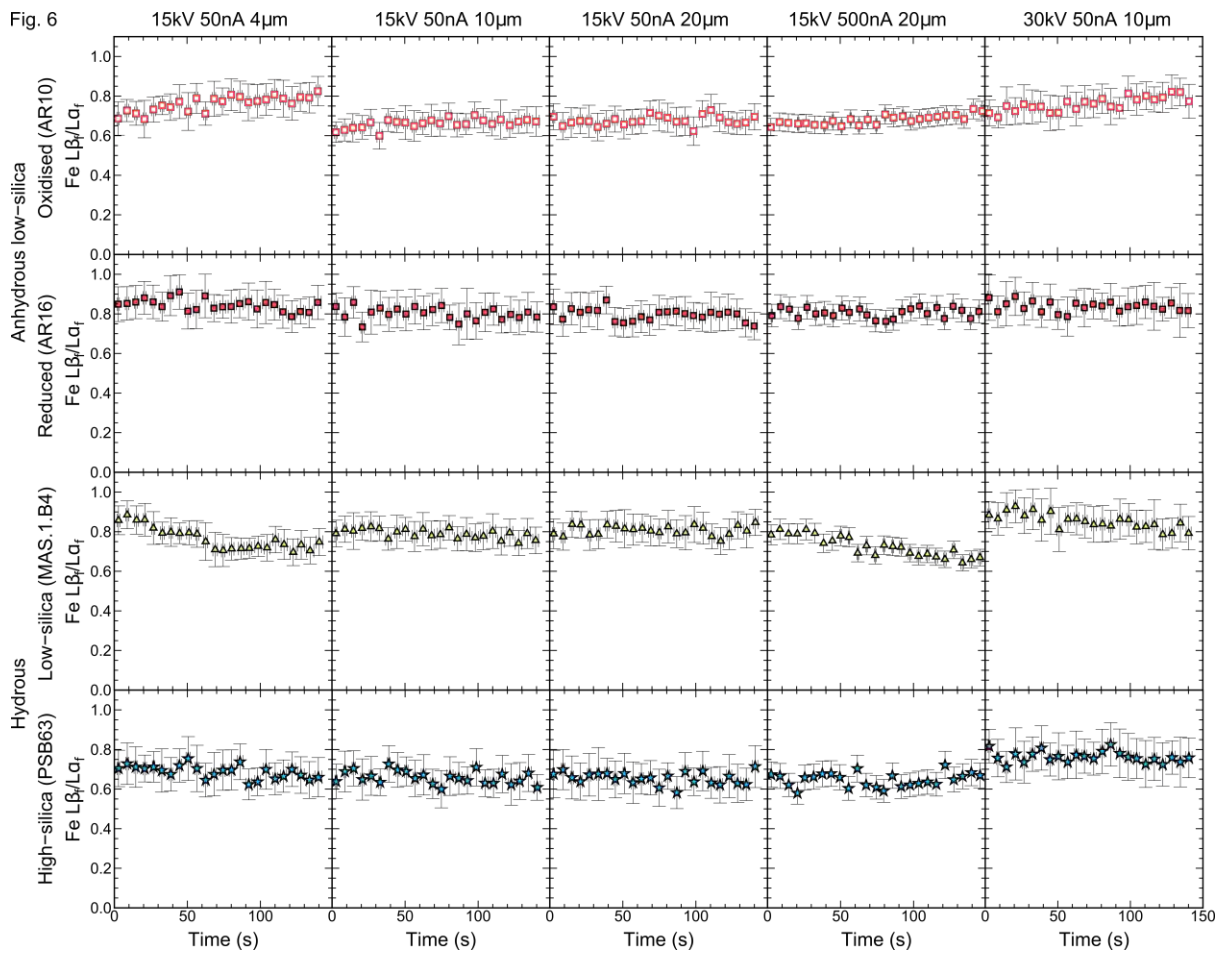
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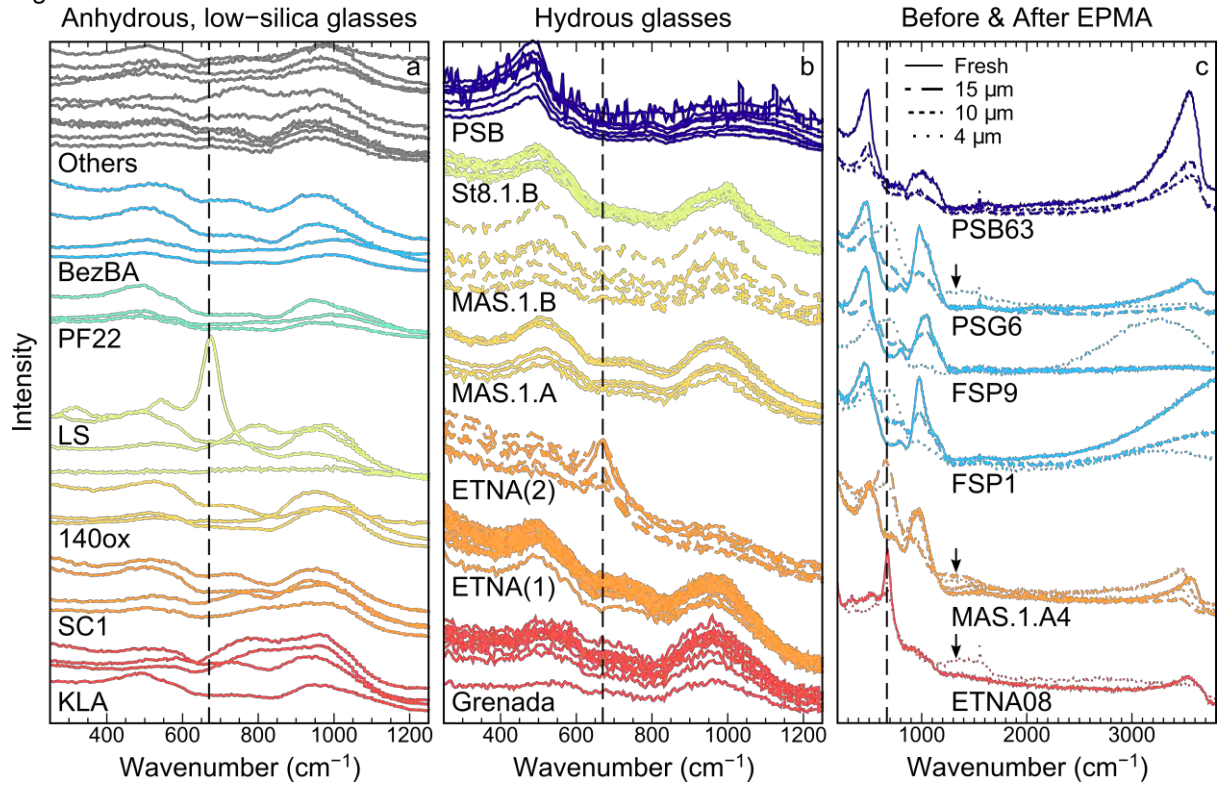


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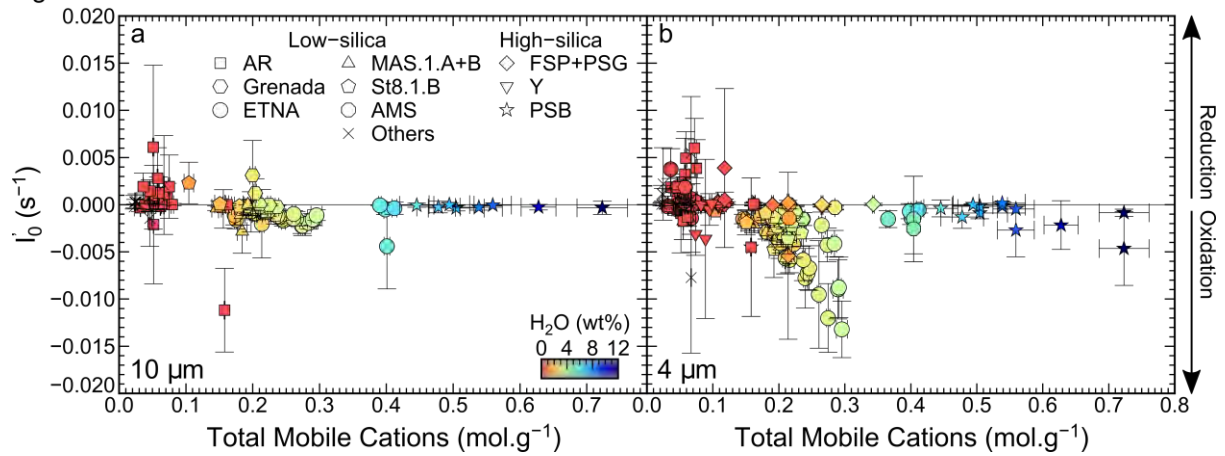
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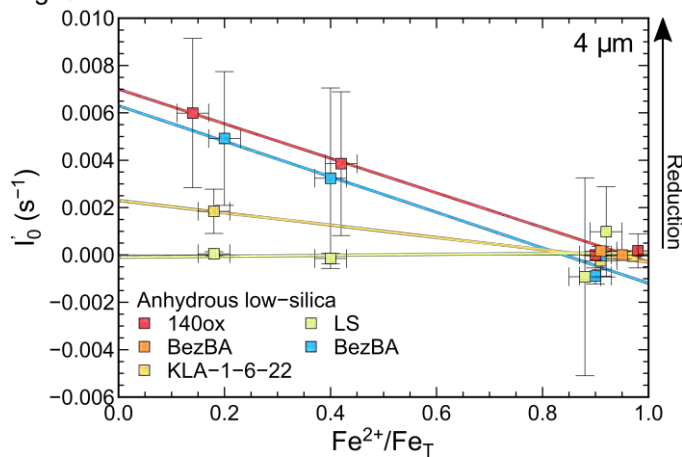
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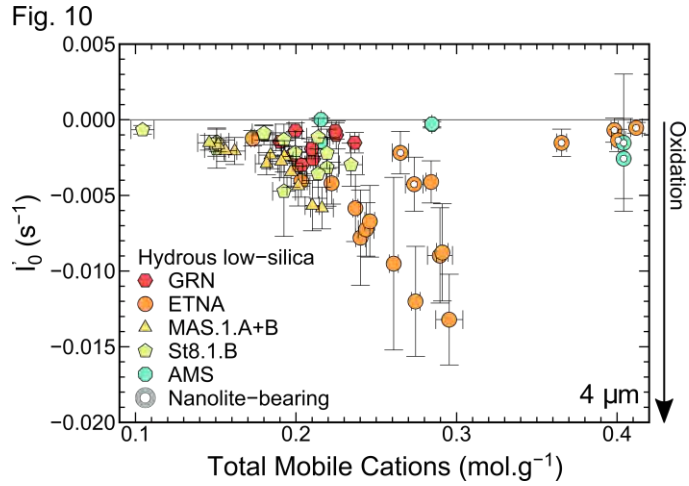


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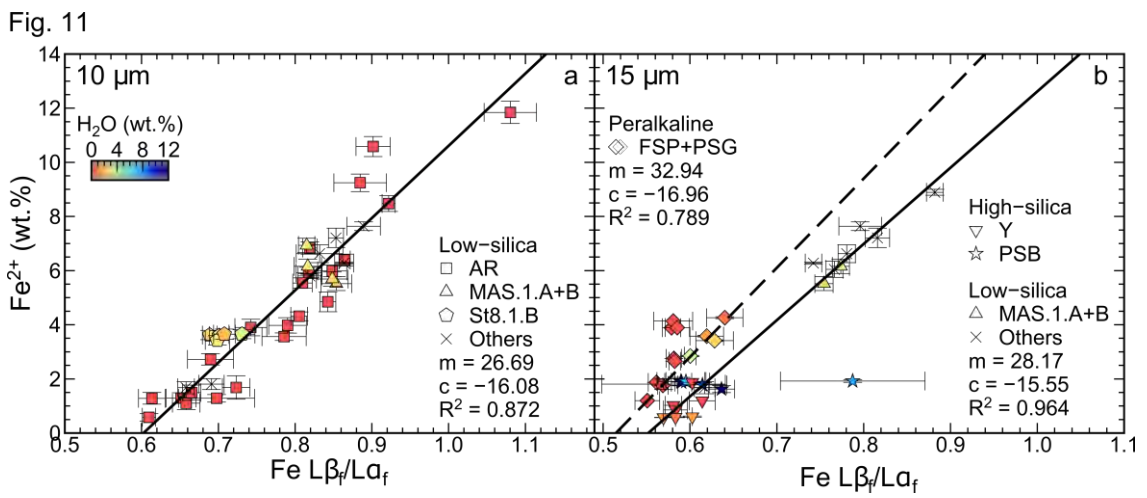
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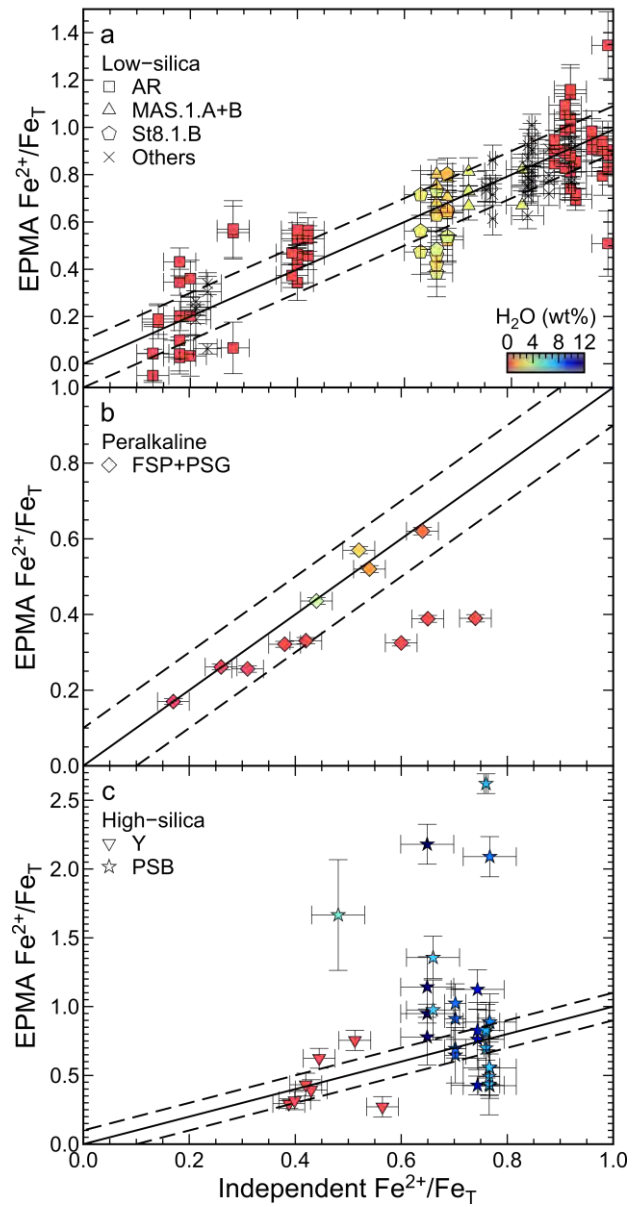
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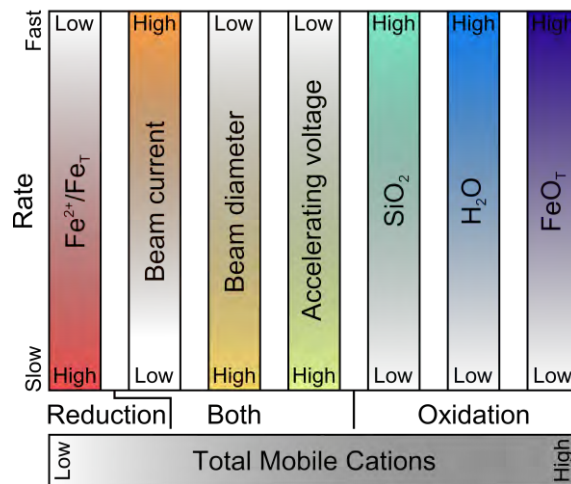
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