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Abstract

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Investigating mineral/melt Sn partitioning at high temperatures and pressures is a

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difficult task because Sn is a redox-sensitive multivalent element and easily alloys

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with noble metal sample capsules. To obtain accurate Sn partition coefficients

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between titanite, ilmenite, and granitic melts, we developed single capsule Pt or Au

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and double capsule Pt₉₅Rh₅ (or Au)–Re designs to avoid significant Sn loss at a

21 controlled oxygen fugacity (fO_2). With these new capsule designs, we performed
22 piston-cylinder experiments of Sn partitioning between titanite, ilmenite, and granitic
23 melts. The experimental P–T– fO_2 conditions were 0.5–1.0 GPa, 850–1000 °C and
24 ~QFM+8 to ~QFM–4 (QFM: Quartz–Fayalite–Magnetite buffer), with fO_2 controlled
25 by the solid buffers of Ru–RuO₂, Re–ReO₂, Co–CoO, graphite, and Fe–FeO. The
26 obtained mineral/melt Sn partition coefficients ($D_{Sn}^{min/melt}$) are 0.48–184.75 for titanite
27 and 0.03–69.45 for ilmenite at the experimental conditions. The $D_{Sn}^{min/melt}$ values are
28 largely dependent on fO_2 although the effects of temperature and melt composition are
29 also observed. $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$ strongly decreases with decreasing fO_2 , from ~46–185 at the
30 most oxidizing conditions (Ru–RuO₂ buffer), to ~2–16 at moderately oxidizing to
31 moderately reducing conditions (Re–ReO₂ to Co–CoO and graphite buffers), to < 1 at
32 the most reducing conditions (Fe–FeO buffer). $D_{Sn}^{Ilm/melt}$ exhibits a variation trend
33 similar to $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$, but is always lower than $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$ at a given fO_2 . These $D_{Sn}^{min/melt}$
34 values can be applied to quantitatively assess the mineralization potential of granitic
35 magmas. Using $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$, we estimate that Sn contents are ~150–400 ppm in the pre-
36 mineralization magmas of the tin-mineralized Qitianling plutons (South China).

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39 fugacity

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1. Introduction

42 Tin is a critical metal widely used in the electronics industry and decarbonization
43 technologies ([Moss et al., 2013](#), [Lehmann, 2021](#)). The world's tin production is
44 dominantly from hard-rock and alluvial deposits with cassiterite (SnO₂) as the only
45 economically important tin-bearing mineral. Both primary (hard-rock) and secondary
46 (placer, alluvial) tin deposits are related to granites. The primary tin deposits are
47 formed by magmatic-hydrothermal processes. They occur typically as Sn-enriched ore
48 lodes such as greisens, hydrothermal veins, skarns, and pegmatites ([Taylor 1979](#);
49 [Lehmann, 1990; 2021](#); [Černý et al., 2005](#)), and are mainly located in apical portions
50 of granites or in wall rocks close to the granites ([Lehmann, 2021](#)). Tin-granite
51 mineralization is often associated with small, late-stage intrusions ([Lehmann, 1990](#);
52 [Huang et al., 2019](#); [Lehmann, 2021](#)). These small intrusions are always highly
53 evolved, exhibiting extreme enrichment in incompatible elements such as volatiles (F
54 and B), large ion lithophile elements (Li, Be, Rb, and Cs), and high field strength
55 elements (Ta, Nb, P, and W). These features suggest that high-degree fractional
56 crystallization is an essential step for initial Sn enrichment in the residual melt,
57 although effective extraction, transport, and precipitation of Sn by aqueous fluids are
58 necessary for the final formation of tin ore deposits ([Zajacz et al., 2008](#); [Audétat,](#)
59 [2019](#); [Zhao et al., 2022a](#)).

60 Understanding Sn metallogenic mechanisms needs knowledge of the
61 geochemical behavior of Sn in magmatic-hydrothermal processes, which includes its
62 valance state, species, solubility, and partitioning behavior in mineral–melt–fluid

63 systems. In the magmatic-hydrothermal systems, Sn is present as Sn^{4+} , Sn^{2+} , or both,
64 mainly depending on $f\text{O}_2$ (Linnen et al. 1995). For the behavior of Sn in fluids, the
65 experiments of Wilson and Eugster (1990) and Schmidt (2018) demonstrated that Sn
66 in hydrothermal solutions is transported mainly as SnCl^+ and SnCl_2 at reduced
67 conditions, but as SnCl_3^+ , $[\text{SnCl}_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3]^+$, or $[\text{SnCl}_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]^0$ at oxidizing conditions,
68 suggesting that Sn speciation in fluids is mainly controlled by $f\text{O}_2$ and fluid salinity.
69 For the behavior of Sn in melts, solubility experiments (Linnen et al. 1995; 1996;
70 Bhalla et al., 2005) and XAFS spectroscopy study (Farges et al., 2006) demonstrated
71 that the Sn valance state and solubility are functions of $f\text{O}_2$, temperature, and melt
72 composition. For fluid/melt partitioning of Sn, experimental investigations (Duc-Tin
73 et al., 2007; Schmidt et al., 2020; Zhao et al., 2022b) and natural melt–fluid inclusion
74 studies (Audéat et al., 2008; Zajacz et al., 2008) showed that Sn preferentially
75 partitions into Cl-bearing fluids. These studies are very helpful for understanding the
76 behavior of Sn in fluid–melt systems.

77 A full understanding of the behavior of Sn in magmatic-hydrothermal processes
78 also needs the knowledge of mineral/melt partitioning coefficients of Sn ($D_{\text{Sn}}^{\text{min/melt}}$).
79 However, to our knowledge, experiments focusing on Sn partitioning are lacking
80 mainly due to the problem of Sn alloying with noble metal sample capsules (i.e.
81 experimental Sn loss). The alloying effect always causes severe Sn loss from the
82 sample, resulting in false (disequilibrated) $D_{\text{Sn}}^{\text{min/melt}}$ values. The lack of $D_{\text{Sn}}^{\text{min/melt}}$
83 prevents our understanding of Sn behavior during magmatic processes, which hinders

84 us to quantitatively assess the mineralization potential of granitic magmas. For
85 example, the Sn contents in late-stage granitic magmas are inevitably affected by
86 degassing and post-magmatic alteration. This is because Sn is soluble in aqueous
87 fluids, and thus the Sn content of a crystallized granite rarely represents the Sn
88 content of the pre-mineralization magma. However, the Sn content in the pre-
89 mineralization magma can be quantitatively estimated if the Sn content of a mineral
90 and its $D_{Sn}^{\text{min/melt}}$ is known. Titanite and ilmenite are two Sn-rich accessory minerals
91 in granites (Xie et al., 2010; Wang et al., 2012). Therefore, their Sn contents and
92 $D_{Sn}^{\text{min/melt}}$ can be used to assess the Sn content and mineralization potential of granitic
93 magmas.

94 To obtain accurate $D_{Sn}^{\text{min/melt}}$ values for titanite and ilmenite, we synthesized a
95 tin-granite composition doped with Sn and other trace elements as the starting
96 material. The experiments were performed in a piston-cylinder apparatus at 0.5–1.0
97 GPa and 850–1000 °C. As the valence state of Sn (Sn^{4+} and Sn^{2+}) mainly depends on
98 $f\text{O}_2$, investigation of the effect of $f\text{O}_2$ on Sn partitioning is crucially important. We
99 used the Ru–RuO₂, Re–ReO₂, Co–CoO, graphite, and Fe–FeO buffers to exert high to
100 low $f\text{O}_2$ conditions. The improved capsule designs at different $f\text{O}_2$ buffers (see next
101 section for details) were used to minimize the loss of Sn and consequently accurate
102 $D_{Sn}^{\text{min/melt}}$ values were obtained. The $D_{Sn}^{\text{min/melt}}$ values for titanite were then used to
103 estimate the Sn contents in the pre-mineralization tin-granites of South China.

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2. Improved capsule designs

106 To experimentally determine accurate $D_{Sn}^{\text{min/melt}}$ values, two problems must be
107 solved. (1) Sn partitioning between minerals and melt depends largely on the valence
108 state of Sn, which is in turn largely dependent on fO_2 , and thus the experimental fO_2
109 has to be well controlled. (2) Sn alloying with noble metal capsules during high
110 temperature and pressure experiments causes severe Sn loss from samples, which
111 results in inaccurate $D_{Sn}^{\text{min/melt}}$ values. Thus, the alloying effect of Sn has to be
112 prevented.

113 To solve these two problems, we initially attempted to use $Au_{99}Sn_1$ capsules to
114 avoid Sn alloying, similar to $Au_{95}Cu_5$ capsules used in [Zajacz et al. \(2011\)](#) and [Liu et al. \(2014, 2015\)](#)
115 to avoid Cu alloying. However, only two out of more than ten runs
116 were successful (runs 9A and 9B). In the oxidizing runs (e.g., Ru– RuO_2 or Re– ReO_2
117 buffers), Sn in the $Au_{99}Sn_1$ capsules was quickly oxidized to cassiterite, fracturing the
118 capsules. In the reducing runs (e.g., graphite buffer), the Au–Sn alloying effect
119 resulted in severe Sn loss (>90%) from sample, and this effect lowered the melting
120 point of the alloying capsules, which caused capsule melting and experimental failure.
121 Therefore, the $Au_{99}Sn_1$ capsule technique was abandoned in our later experiments.

122 Whether Sn alloys with noble metals during experiments depends on capsule
123 material and fO_2 condition. [Wang et al. \(2020\)](#) investigated the alloying effect of
124 elements with Pt capsules in piston-cylinder experiments. They found that the
125 alloying effect of Sn with Pt is effectively prevented under the highly oxidizing

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126 conditions of the Ru–RuO₂ buffer, but under moderately oxidizing to reducing
127 conditions ($fO_2 \leq$ Re–ReO₂ buffer), Sn–Pt alloying and Sn loss from the sample is
128 severe. [Paparoni et al. \(2010\)](#) used Re capsules as sample containers to investigate Sn
129 solubility in the Sn–SnO₂–SiO₂ system. The Re capsules in their experiments largely
130 prevented the alloying effect of Sn due to minimal Sn solubility in Re metal
131 ([Massalski 1990](#)). Their experiments suggest that Re capsule can be used for
132 experiments at moderately oxidizing to reducing conditions. Based on the studies of
133 [Wang et al. \(2020\)](#) and [Paparoni et al. \(2010\)](#), we developed new designs for single Pt
134 or Au capsule and double capsules of Pt₉₅Rh₅ (or Au)–Re (see next paragraph) to
135 perform experiments at controlled fO_2 conditions. These designs successfully solved
136 the two problems mentioned above and enabled us to accurately determine $D_{Sn}^{\text{min/melt}}$
137 at a given fO_2 .

138 The new capsule designs for runs at a given fO_2 (buffered by Ru–RuO₂, Re–
139 ReO₂, Co–CoO, graphite, or Fe–FeO) are shown and described in [Figs. 1 a–c](#). The
140 Ru–RuO₂ buffered (highly oxidizing) runs used a single capsule Pt or Au design ([Fig.](#)
141 [1a](#): design 1). This capsule design works well because Sn does not alloy with noble
142 metals under such highly oxidizing conditions and Ru does not contaminate the
143 samples due to the negligible solubility of Ru in silicate melts. For runs buffered by
144 Re–ReO₂, graphite, Co–CoO, or Fe–FeO buffers (i.e. at moderately oxidizing, to
145 reducing conditions), double capsule Pt₉₅Rh₅ (or Au)–Re designs ([Fig. 1b](#): design 2
146 and [Fig. 1c](#): design 3) were used. In these double capsule designs, a Re capsule is

147 used as the inner sample capsule because Sn does not alloy significantly with Re. The
148 welded Re sample capsule is then inserted into a sintered ZrO₂ tube which was then
149 inserted into a larger Pt₉₅Rh₅ (or Au) outer capsule. The ZrO₂ filler was used to reduce
150 the deformation of the capsules during the experiment. The difference between design
151 2 and design 3 is the location of the *f*O₂ buffers. In design 2, the Re–ReO₂ or graphite
152 buffers were loaded together with the sample into the Re capsule because Sn does not
153 react with Re or graphite. In design 3, the Co–CoO or Fe–FeO buffers were loaded
154 outside the Re capsule because Co and Fe may alloy with Sn and may dissolve
155 significantly into the sample if in contact. The ZrO₂ filler in design 3 also isolates the
156 *f*O₂ buffer from inner and outer metal capsules to prevent possible reaction of Co or
157 Fe with the metal capsules.

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159 **3. Experimental and analytical methods**

160 **3.1 Starting materials and capsule preparation**

161 A synthetic granitic composition (similar to Qitianling tin-granite, QTL38C,
162 [Huang et al., 2019](#)) doped with a 10 wt% CaTiSiO₅ component, ~5000 ppm Sn, and
163 200–500 ppm of other trace elements (W, Mo, Nb, Ta, Zr, Hf, Li, Be, Rb, Cs, and
164 REEs) was used as the starting material ([Table 1](#)). The addition of a CaTiSiO₅
165 component promoted titanite crystallization. To synthesize the starting material, high-
166 purity powders of SiO₂, TiO₂, Al₂O₃, FeO, MnO, MgO, CaCO₃, Na₂CO₃, K₂CO₃, and

167 trace elements were weighted and mixed in an agate mortar, then decarbonized in a Pt
168 crucible at 1000 °C and 1 atm overnight. After that, the mixture was melted at
169 1500 °C for 4 hours, quenched in water, and ground to < 30 μm. Two rounds of
170 melting–quenching–grinding procedures were performed to guarantee compositional
171 homogeneity. Several aliquots of the final quenched glass were left for compositional
172 analysis ([Table 1](#)). The synthesized glass powder was kept in an oven at 110 °C before
173 use. We note that all our experiments were performed with this synthetic starting
174 material using the above capsule designs except for two early runs (9A and 9B, as
175 already indicated above). These two runs were performed using Au₉₉Sn₁ sample
176 capsules. The starting material for these two runs was made by adding 10 wt%
177 CaTiSiO₅ to a dry glass powder of the Qitianling granite (QTL38C, [Huang et al.,](#)
178 [2019](#)) and fusing twice at 1500 °C.

179 For each run, the starting material and fO_2 buffers were loaded into the sample
180 containers following designs 1–3 as shown in [Figs. 1 a, b, and c](#). For design 1 (Ru–
181 RuO₂ buffer), a single metal capsule (Pt or Au, 2.2–1.9 mm OD–ID and ~7 mm
182 length) was first loaded with 3–10 wt% deionized H₂O (~0.2–0.6 mg) and then with
183 ~4 mg Ru–RuO₂ buffer (1:1 mass ratio), followed by loading ~6 mg starting material
184 ([Fig. 1a](#)). After that, the capsule was welded shut using a precision welding machine.
185 For design 2 (Re–ReO₂ or graphite buffer), the inner Re capsule (2.6–1.6 mm OD–ID
186 and ~6 mm length) was first loaded with 10–15 wt% deionized H₂O, then filled with
187 ~7 mg Re–ReO₂ buffer (1:1 mass ratio) or graphite buffer, and then ~8 mg starting

188 material (Fig. 1b). The inner Re capsule consists of a Re cup (made by drilling a Re
189 cylinder with a tungsten drill bit) and a Re lid. After loading the buffer and sample,
190 the Re cup and lid were welded together with a wet tissue used to prevent H₂O loss in
191 an argon gas flow used to prevent Re oxidation during welding. The welded Re
192 capsule was inserted into a sintered ZrO₂ tube, and then the Pt₉₅Rh₅ (or Au) outer
193 capsule (5.0–4.7 mm OD–ID, 12 mm length). After assembling, the outer capsule was
194 welded shut. For design 3 (Co–CoO or Fe–FeO buffer), the materials and sizes of the
195 inner and outer capsules are almost the same as those in design 2, except that the inner
196 Re capsule is shorter (~4 mm length) (Fig. 1c). The inner Re capsule was loaded with
197 ~12 wt% deionized H₂O and ~6 mg starting material, and then welded shut. The Re
198 sample capsule was inserted into a Pt₉₅Rh₅ (or Au) outer capsule. The space between
199 the Re capsule and the outer capsule was then filled by the Co–CoO or Fe–FeO
200 buffers, sintered ZrO₂ tube, and H₂O. During the preparation, all the capsules were
201 weighed before and after welding. The welded capsules were then put into boiling
202 water, dried in an oven (110 °C), and weighed again to double-check for leakage.

203 3.2 High T–P experiments

204 The high T–P experiments were performed in a piston-cylinder apparatus at the
205 Guangzhou Institute of Geochemistry. The assembly (3/4 inch) consists of a talc
206 sleeve, pyrex glass sleeve, graphite furnace, MgO inserts, and sample capsule.
207 Experimental pressures were 0.5–1.0 GPa, with a friction correction of –22% (Liu
208 et al., 2014). The pressure uncertainty is estimated to be < 0.1 GPa. Experimental

209 temperatures were 850–1000 °C and measured with an S type (Pt–Pt₉₀Rh₁₀)
210 thermocouple connected to a temperature controller. Temperature fluctuation was <
211 1 °C with respect to the set point during the experimental run. The thermocouple
212 was not corrected for pressure. The temperature gradient within the sample capsule
213 was estimated to be < 20 °C (Liu et al., 2014). Run durations varied from 24 to 312
214 hours including a time-series set of experiments. All the experiments were quenched
215 by switching off the power to the graphite furnace. The recovered samples were
216 mounted in epoxy resin and polished for documentation of textures and chemical
217 analyses.

218 **3.3 Analytical methods**

219 Major elements in minerals and quenched glasses were analyzed with a
220 CAMECA SX-Five electron microprobe (EPMA) at the Guangzhou Institute of
221 Geochemistry and with a JEOL JXA-8230 EPMA at the Shandong Analysis Center
222 of the China Metallurgical Geology Bureau. The analytical conditions were a 15 kV
223 accelerating voltage, a 20 nA beam current, and a 1 μm beam diameter for minerals,
224 and a 15 kV accelerating voltage, a 10 nA beam current, and a 20 μm beam diameter
225 for the glasses. Jadeite or albite (Si, Na), rutile (Ti), yttrium Al garnet (Al), olivine
226 (Fe, Mg), rhodonite (Mn), diopside (Ca), and sanidine (K) were used as the
227 standards. An anhydrous basaltic glass (XT-168, Xiong et al., 2005; Li et al., 2017)
228 and the NIST-610 glass were used as the monitor standards. All the data were
229 corrected using ZAF correction procedures. Analytical accuracy for major elements

230 was better than 1% relative for SiO₂ and Al₂O₃, 2% for MgO, FeO, CaO, and K₂O,
231 and 5% for TiO₂. Because Na loss occurs during EPMA analysis of hydrous glasses,
232 the reported Na₂O contents in quench glasses are from the LA-ICP-MS analyses.

233 Trace elements (Sn and other trace elements) and Na₂O contents in quenched
234 glasses were measured with an ELEMENT XR (Thermo Fisher Scientific) ICP-SF-
235 MS coupled to a 193 nm (ArF) Resonetics RESOLUTION M-50 laser ablation system
236 (LA-ICP-MS) at the Guangzhou Institute of Geochemistry. The analytical
237 conditions were set to ~4 J cm⁻² energy density at the sample surface, 6Hz repetition
238 rate, and beam sizes of 17–32 μm. NIST-610, NIST-612, BCR-2G, and BHVO-2G
239 were used as the external standards, and GSD-1G was used as the monitor standard.
240 EPMA analyzed Si content was used as the internal standard. The analytical
241 accuracy and precision were better than 10% relative for Sn and Na and most other
242 elements. Details of the method are reported in [Zhang et al. \(2019\)](#). Because
243 minerals in the run products are small (mostly < 30 μm for titanite and < 15 μm for
244 ilmenite), their trace element contents cannot be analyzed by LA-ICP-MS.
245 Therefore, we analyzed trace element contents in minerals with EPMA at high beam
246 currents and long peak counting times. The analytical conditions were set to a 15 kV
247 accelerating voltage, a 80 nA beam current, a 1–2 μm beam diameter, and peak
248 counting times of 60–120 s. To investigate whether there was Sn-loss from our
249 sample capsules, the capsule walls were also analyzed using this high beam current
250 method. For the analyses of minerals and metal capsules, monazite, glasses, and

251 metals (Sn, Nb, Ta, W, Mo, Zr, Hf, Pt, Re, and REEs) were used as the standards.

252 To examine the accuracy of the EPMA Sn analyses, we also measured Sn in the
253 quenched glasses using the same high beam current condition (80 nA) as for the
254 minerals. A comparison between the EPMA and LA-ICP-MS results for the
255 quenched glasses shows excellent agreement between the two methods for Sn
256 contents > ~300 ppm (Fig. 2), demonstrating the reliability of the EPMA Sn analysis
257 of our samples. Because the Sn contents in titanite and ilmenite are generally higher
258 than 300 ppm, we believe that the EPMA determined Sn contents in the minerals are
259 accurate.

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261 4. Results

262 4.1. Run products and experimental fO_2

263 Twenty-two experiments were conducted at 850–1000 °C and 0.5–1.0 GPa,
264 including 16 runs buffered to highly oxidizing condition (Ru–RuO₂ buffer), 1 run
265 buffered at moderately oxidizing condition (Re–ReO₂ buffer), and 5 runs buffered at
266 reducing conditions (graphite, Co–CoO, or Fe–FeO buffers). The experimental
267 conditions (T–P– fO_2), run products, phase proportions, and estimated Sn- and Fe-loss
268 are reported in Table 2. All buffers (examined by SEM, as shown in Fig. 3) survived
269 the duration of the experiments except for the Fe–FeO buffered run, in which the Fe
270 metal was entirely consumed. However, we consider this run to have been very
271 reducing because its $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$ is the lowest of all the runs (see section 5.2). Each run

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272 product contains 3–6 phases, including titanite (in 17 runs), ilmenite (all runs), rutile
273 (2 runs), clinopyroxene (5 runs), scheelite (4 runs), hematite (1 run), cassiterite (17
274 runs), quenched glass (all runs), and fluid bubbles (17 runs) (Table 2). Titanite crystals
275 in most runs have euhedral to subhedral envelope shapes (Figs. 3 a and c). They are
276 generally < 20–30 μm , except for runs T5A and T5B, where titanite grains are up to
277 40–80 μm . Ilmenite and hematite grains are subhedral and generally < 10 μm (Figs. 3
278 a, b, and c). Clinopyroxene is euhedral and < 40 μm . Cassiterite (< 5 μm) is present
279 only in the moderately to highly oxidizing runs buffered by Ru–RuO₂ and Re–ReO₂.
280 Rutile (< 5 μm) is present as needle-shaped crystals in one of the graphite and one of
281 the Re–ReO₂ buffered runs. Scheelite (< 10 μm) is present in 4 runs due to tungsten
282 contamination of the Re capsules because they were made using a tungsten drill bit.
283 Quenched glasses in all the run products are clear as shown in Fig. 3. The quenched
284 glasses in 17 runs (except for 9A, 9B, and the graphite buffered runs, Table 2) contain
285 round fluid bubbles (Table 2), which together with the analytical results indicates melt
286 H₂O saturation during the experiments.

287 The phase proportions, Fe-loss, and Sn-loss were calculated by mass balance
288 (Table 2). For the cassiterite-saturated runs, we cannot assess Sn-loss because Sn-loss
289 in these runs is correlated with the estimated proportions of cassiterite, which is
290 largely uncertain. Therefore, we only calculated the Sn-loss for the cassiterite
291 unsaturated runs. The proportions of quenched glasses and crystalline phases are
292 85.3–98.8 wt% and 1.2–14.7 wt%, respectively. The absence of titanite (CaTiSiO₅) in

293 five runs may be due to the high temperature of 1000 °C (e.g., runs 7M, 7D, and
294 28Re) or low melt CaO concentrations caused by the crystallization of clinopyroxene
295 and/or scheelite (e.g., runs 22Re and 21Re). Importantly, mass balance calculations
296 show no significant Fe loss (0–3 wt% relative) and Sn loss (0–3.8 wt% relative) for all
297 calculated runs except two runs (10Re, buffered by Co–CoO; and 12Re, buffered by
298 Fe–FeO), where approximately 50% Sn was lost from the samples (Table 2). The
299 EPMA analysis of the capsule walls (Table S1) shows that Sn contents of the Re
300 capsules (<50 ppm) are less than half of the detection limit (90 ppm), suggesting
301 insignificant Sn loss from the samples to the Re capsule walls. Therefore, we infer
302 that Sn partitioned into the fluids in runs 10Re and 12Re, which did not affect the
303 determined $D_{Sn}^{\text{min/melt}}$ partition coefficients because the fluid/melt easily reaches
304 equilibrium relative to the mineral/melt.

305 The experimental fO_2 values were calculated based on the equations of the fO_2
306 buffers. In the runs conducted with capsule designs 1 and 2 (Figs. 1 a and b), the
307 buffers were directly in contact with the samples. fO_2 values in these runs were
308 calculated according to O'Neill and Nell (1997) for Ru–RuO₂, Pownceby and O'Neill
309 (1994) for Re–ReO₂, and Jakobsson and Oskarsson (1994) for graphite. In runs with
310 capsule design 3 (Fig. 1c), the fO_2 values were calculated following Holmes et al.
311 (1986) for Co–CoO, and Huebner (1971) for Fe–FeO, because both the inner sample
312 capsule and the outer buffer-containing capsule were water-saturated. The calculated
313 results (Table 2) show that the relative fO_2 values vary from QFM+8.1 (i.e., 8.1 log

314 units above the Quartz–Fayalite–Magnetite buffer) to ~QFM–4.2 under the
315 experimental P–T conditions.

316 **4.2 Compositions and Sn contents of titanite and ilmenite**

317 The composition and Sn contents of the titanite and ilmenite are presented in
318 **Tables 3–4** and **Tables S2–S3**. Titanite consists of SiO₂ (26.1–29.6 wt%), TiO₂ (25.2–
319 36.1 wt%), and CaO (23.0–25.6 wt%) with minor Al₂O₃ (0.7–1.5 wt%), FeO (1.2–4.0
320 wt%), REE₂O₃ (total 3.3–9.0 wt%, including La₂O₃, Ce₂O₃, Pr₂O₃, Sm₂O₃, Eu₂O₃,
321 Gd₂O₃, Dy₂O₃ and Yb₂O₃), Nb₂O₅ (0.3–0.8 wt%), Ta₂O₅ (0.4–0.7 wt%), WO₃ (0.5–0.9
322 wt%), ZrO₂ (0.2–0.4 wt%), and HfO₂ (0.3–0.7 wt%). SnO₂ in titanite varies from 0.14
323 to 15.14 wt%, which increases with increasing fO_2 . For single runs, SiO₂, TiO₂ and
324 CaO in titanite are generally homogeneous, but in the oxidized runs, SnO₂ in titanite
325 shows slight zoning (**Tables 3 and S2**). For most of these runs, the SnO₂ content in the
326 titanite rims (6–10 wt%) is lower than that in the cores (8–14 wt%), except for runs
327 9A and 9B. In these two runs, the Sn content in the rims is higher than that in the
328 cores owing to the use of Au₉₉Sn₁ capsules as the Sn source. For all the runs, we only
329 used the rim compositions to calculate the $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$ values.

330 The composition of the ilmenite is homogeneous in single runs. Ilmenite is
331 mainly composed of FeO_T (39.8–68.7 wt%), TiO₂ (10.3–53.9 wt%), MgO (1.1–4.7
332 wt%), MnO (0.1–0.6 wt%), Al₂O₃ (0.1–1.9 wt%), and SnO₂ (0.02–5.60 wt%) (**Tables**
333 **4 and S3**). The composition of the ilmenite can be described by end member wüstite
334 (FeO), hematite (FeO_{1.5}), and rutile (TiO₂). Based on stoichiometry, we calculated

335 FeO and FeO_{1.5} contents for ilmenite, and then assigned MgO and MnO to wüstite,
336 AlO_{1.5} to hematite, and SnO₂ to rutile. The calculated compositions were plotted on
337 the ternary wüstite–hematite–rutile diagram (Fig. 4), showing that all compositions
338 are located on the solid solution join of ilmenite and hematite with compositions
339 ranging from Ilm₁₀₀Hem₀ to Ilm₈Hem₉₂. Ilmenite in run 9A, with the highest FeO_T
340 (68.7 wt%) concentration, approaches the hematite end member composition (Table
341 4).

342 We also report the compositions and Sn contents of rutile and clinopyroxene
343 (Table 4 and Tables S3–S4). Rutile contains 68.2–88.3 wt% TiO₂ and 0.06–17.52 wt%
344 SnO₂. Clinopyroxene has a En_{31–37}, Fs_{13–20}, Wo_{48–50} composition, which contains
345 0.01–1.04 wt% SnO₂. Cassiterite and scheelite compositions are given in Table S5.

346 4.3 Compositions, Sn contents, and H₂O contents of quenched glasses

347 The compositions and Sn contents of the quenched glasses are reported in Tables
348 5 and S6. Major element oxides SiO₂, Al₂O₃, MgO, Na₂O, and K₂O (except TiO₂,
349 FeO, and CaO) are generally similar to those in the starting material due to the low
350 degrees of crystallization (< 15 wt%). The changes in TiO₂ (0.2–3.4 wt% in glasses
351 vs. 4.1 wt% in starting material), FeO (0.8–4.1 wt% in glasses vs. 5.4 wt% in starting
352 material), and CaO (slight decrease in some glasses relative to starting material) were
353 caused by the crystallization of ilmenite, titanite, and clinopyroxene. The melt
354 polymerization degree is expressed by NBO/T (non-bridging oxygens per
355 tetrahedrally coordinated cation). Values were calculated as $NBO/T = (2 \cdot X_{O-}$

356 $4 \cdot X_T / X_T$, where X_T and X_O are the atomic proportions of tetrahedrally coordinated
357 cations (Si, Al, Fe^{3+}) and total oxygen (Mysen and Richet, 2019), respectively. The
358 total oxygen was calculated from the SiO_2 , TiO_2 , Al_2O_3 , FeO, Fe_2O_3 , MnO, MgO,
359 CaO, Na_2O , K_2O , and SnO_2 contents. According to Honada and Soga (1980), Ti tends
360 to be a network-modifier when TiO_2 is < 10 wt% in the melt. Therefore, among the
361 cations above, Ti, Fe^{2+} , Mn, Mg, Ca, Na, K, and Sn were regarded as network-
362 modifying ions. The Fe^{3+}/Fe_T ratios and Fe^{3+} in the melt were calculated according to
363 the equation (A6) of Kress and Carmichael (1991). The calculated NBO/T values
364 range from 0.035 to 0.364. Tin contents in the quenched glasses are ~330–6700 ppm
365 as measured by LA-ICP-MS, and ~300–7200 ppm as measured by EPMA (Tables 5
366 and S6).

367 H_2O contents for most of the quenched glasses were estimated using the EPMA
368 by-difference method (calculated by 100 minus the EPMA total) because most of the
369 quenched melts contain tiny fluid bubbles, making the double-polished sample wafers
370 opaque and impossible for FTIR (Fourier transform infrared spectrometer) analyses.
371 We have demonstrated in our recent work (Xu et al., 2022; Gao et al., 2023) that, for
372 H_2O -rich glasses, the melt H_2O contents estimated from the by-difference method are
373 comparable to that measured by FTIR within an ~10% uncertainty. We also analyzed
374 H_2O contents in two H_2O -unsaturated samples (runs 22Re and 28Re buffered by
375 graphite, Tables 2 and S7) by FTIR following the procedures of Xu et al., (2022) and
376 Gao et al. (2023). The melt H_2O contents measured by FTIR are 3.1 wt% for run 22Re

377 and 2.1 wt% for run 28Re (Table S7), consistent with that estimated from the EPMA
378 by-difference method (3.1 wt% for run 22Re and 1.8 wt% for run 28Re, Table S7),
379 further confirming the reliability of the EPMA by-difference method. For the EPMA
380 by-difference method, the estimation of melt H₂O content requires accurate EPMA
381 totals of glass. However, the EPMA analysis of hydrous glasses usually suffers Na
382 loss, leading to under-estimated EPMA totals. Therefore, we used Na contents
383 determined by LA-ICP-MS to correct the EPMA totals. The melt H₂O contents
384 estimated via EPMA by-difference are 7.3–12.0 wt% except for three graphite
385 buffered runs (< 6.0 wt% H₂O in glass) (Table 5).

386 Compared to the initially added H₂O contents, the glass H₂O contents vary in
387 different ways depending on the capsule design (Table 5). Relative to the initially
388 added H₂O content, the glass H₂O content generally increases in design 1 (Ru–RuO₂
389 buffered runs), decreases in design 2 (graphite buffered runs), and remains almost
390 unchanged in design 3 (Co–CoO or Fe–FeO buffered runs) (Fig. 1). The H₂O contents
391 in the quenched glasses represent the melt H₂O contents. The change in the melt H₂O
392 content indicates H₂ diffusion (through different metal capsule walls) and H₂O
393 formation or decomposition during the experiments. In design 1, the Ru–RuO₂ buffer
394 is in direct contact with the sample, leading to extremely high f_{O_2} and low f_{H_2} (Fig.
395 1a). In this case, H₂ continually diffused into the sample capsule (Pt or Au) and
396 reacted with RuO₂ to form H₂O ($2\text{H}_2 + \text{RuO}_2 = 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{Ru}$), resulting in melt H₂O
397 increase and saturation. In design 2, the graphite buffer is in direct contact with the

398 sample, leading to low fO_2 and high fH_2 (Fig. 1b). In this case, H_2 diffused out of the
399 sample capsule (Re), resulting in H_2O decomposition ($H_2O = H_2 + 1/2O_2$) and melt
400 H_2O content decrease. In design 3, the reducing Co–CoO or Fe–FeO buffers were
401 located outside the sample capsule (Re) (Fig. 1c). In this design, melt H_2O content
402 should increase because H_2 diffuses into the sample capsule (Re) and reacts with
403 Fe_2O_3 or SnO_2 to form H_2O . However, we did not observe a significant change in the
404 melt H_2O content compared to the initially added H_2O content because both the inner
405 sample capsule (Re) and outer buffer contained capsule ($Pt_{95}Rh_5$ or Au) were H_2O -
406 saturated during the experiments.

407 **5. Discussion**

408 **5.1 Evaluation of Equilibrium**

409 Evaluation of Sn partitioning equilibrium should consider its valence states (Sn^{4+}
410 and Sn^{2+}). For the same experimental duration, Sn^{2+} should have reached diffusion
411 and partitioning equilibrium if Sn^{4+} approached equilibrium because Sn^{4+} diffuses
412 much slower than Sn^{2+} (Linnen et al. 1995, 1996). In this study, we assessed the
413 partitioning equilibrium of Sn^{4+} by conducting time-series experiments and using the
414 Sn solubility in melt at cassiterite saturation in the Ru–RuO₂ buffered runs. Such a
415 high fO_2 buffer (~QFM+8 at our run conditions) should result in Sn present as Sn^{4+} in
416 the experimental charges (Linnen et al. 1995). The time-series experiments (900 °C,
417 0.5 GPa) include 6 runs with durations of 24, 48, 72, 96 hours and 2 runs with a

418 duration of 120 hours (Table 2). The results show that $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$ is 79 (± 12) for the
419 24h run, decreases to 65–68 for the 48h runs, and remains almost constant at 60 (± 5)
420 for the 72h to 120h runs (Fig 5a; Table 6), suggesting that titanite/melt Sn partitioning
421 approaches equilibrium at ≥ 72 h under these experimental conditions. Therefore, only
422 the $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$ from ≥ 72 h runs are used in the later discussion. For ilmenite, $D_{Sn}^{Ilm/melt}$
423 is 21(± 1.7) from 24h to 120h runs, showing that Sn partitioning between ilmenite and
424 melt approaches equilibrium rapidly (Fig 5a; Table 6).

425 The dissolution equilibrium of cassiterite can be inferred from the melt Sn
426 contents in the cassiterite saturated runs at the Ru–RuO₂ buffered condition. For these
427 runs, Sn solubility increases from 326 ppm at 850 °C to 2454 ppm at 1000 °C (Fig 5b;
428 Table 5). The near linear increase of Sn solubility with temperature indicates that Sn
429 dissolution approaches equilibrium. In addition, the Sn solubility of 326(± 14) to 466
430 (± 22) ppm determined for our experiments at 850 °C, 0.5 GPa, and QFM+8 compares
431 within error to the SnO₂ solubility data of Linnen et al. (1995) at 850 °C, 2 kbar, and
432 QFM+3.1 (800 \pm 390 ppm SnO₂ equivalent to 632 \pm 308 ppm Sn), further indicating
433 that our experiments reached or closely approached equilibrium.

434 5.2 Mineral/melt Sn partition coefficients

435 Mineral/melt Sn partition coefficients ($D_{Sn}^{min/melt}$) were calculated from the Sn
436 contents in minerals (by EPMA) and in melts (by LA-ICP-MS), and are reported in
437 Tables 6 and S8. The results include 14 values for titanite ($D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$), 22 values for
438 ilmenite ($D_{Sn}^{Ilm/melt}$), 2 values for rutile ($D_{Sn}^{Rtl/melt}$), and 5 values for clinopyroxene

439 $(D_{Sn}^{Cpx/melt})$.

440 The D_{Sn} values for titanite/melt are 0.48–185 in our experimental conditions
441 (850–1000 °C, 0.5–1.0 GPa, $fO_2 = \sim QFM+8$ to $\sim QFM-4$). $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$ strongly
442 decreases with decreasing fO_2 (Fig. 6a, Tables 2, 6, and S8a), from ~ 46 –185 under the
443 most oxidizing conditions (Ru–RuO₂ buffer), then ~ 2 –16 under the moderately
444 oxidizing to moderately reducing conditions (Re–ReO₂ to Co–CoO and graphite
445 buffers), to < 1 at the most reducing conditions (Fe–FeO buffer). For the Ru–RuO₂
446 buffered runs, the effects of temperature and/or melt NBO/T are also observable. As
447 shown in Figs. 6b and 6c, $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$ increases with decreasing temperature and melt
448 NBO/T. Regression of our $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$ data obtained the following relation from
449 $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$, fO_2 (ΔQFM), and temperature (K) (data in Table S9a):

$$450 \ln D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt} = 0.39 * (\Delta QFM) + 6511/T - 4.1 \quad (R^2=0.96)$$

451 (1).

452 Melt NBO/T is not considered in the equation because its effect is indistinguishable
453 from that of temperature.

454 The D_{Sn} values for ilmenite/melt are 0.03–69 (Tables 6 and S8b), which is lower
455 than those for titanite (0.48–185) at a given fO_2 . Similar to $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$, $D_{Sn}^{Ilm/melt}$ also
456 strongly decreases with decreasing fO_2 (Fig. 6d), and slightly increases with
457 decreasing temperature (Fig. 6e) and/or melt NBO/T (Fig. 6f). We note that $D_{Sn}^{Ilm/melt}$
458 in the Fe–FeO buffered run deviates from the D_{Sn} – fO_2 trend (Fig. 6d). Thus we did
459 not fit the $D_{Sn}^{Ilm/melt}$ as a function of fO_2 , T, and melt composition. Considering the

460 rapid equilibrium of Sn partitioning between ilmenite and melt, we infer that the
461 deviation may have resulted from fO_2 fluctuation in the charge caused by the
462 consumption of Fe metal in the Fe–FeO buffer. However, consumption of the Fe
463 metal seems to have no significant effect on $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$ (Fig. 6a). This may indicate that
464 titanite in this run formed during the latest stage when large fO_2 fluctuations had
465 stopped in the charge.

466 The two D_{Sn} values for rutile/melt and five D_{Sn} values for clinopyroxene/melt are
467 0.09–20.0 and 0.01–17.5, respectively (Tables S8b–c). D_{Sn} values for the two minerals
468 also strongly decrease with decreasing fO_2 .

469 5.3 Substitution mechanisms of Sn in titanite and ilmenite

470 Understanding the substitution mechanism of Sn in a mineral is the basis for
471 understanding its partitioning behavior. The substitution mechanisms of Sn in titanite
472 and ilmenite should be controlled by the composition and structure of the titanite and
473 ilmenite, as well as the valance state, ionic radius (Å) and coordination number of Sn.
474 Titanite ($CaTiSiO_5$) has a monoclinic crystal structure, where Ca^{2+} and Ti^{4+} have VII
475 and VI coordination numbers (CN), respectively. Eremin et al. (2002) pointed out that
476 Ti^{4+} ($^{VI}Ti^{4+}$: 0.61 Å, Shannon 1976) in titanite can be fully replaced by Sn^{4+} ($^{VI}Sn^{4+}$:
477 0.69 Å), forming the $CaSnSiO_5$ end member (malayaite). Ilmenite ($(Fe,Ti)_2O_3$) has a
478 hexagonal structure, where both Fe^{2+} and Ti^{4+} have VI CN. Considering the similar
479 ionic radius and the same CN of Sn^{4+} and Ti^{4+} , we infer that Sn^{4+} may also replace
480 Ti^{4+} in ilmenite.

481 Tin in silicate melts is present as Sn^{4+} , Sn^{2+} , or both, depending mainly on $f\text{O}_2$
482 (Linnen et al. 1995; 1996; Bhalla et al., 2005; Farges et al., 2006). The Sn solubility
483 experiments of Linnen et al. (1995) indicate that Sn in the melt is present exclusively
484 as Sn^{4+} at $f\text{O}_2 > \sim\text{QFM}+3$. In our Ru–RuO₂ buffered runs, the $f\text{O}_2$ values are
485 $\sim\text{QFM}+8$, and Sn should be Sn^{4+} in the melts. For these runs, we expect a positive
486 correlation between D_{Sn} and D_{Ti} due to the substitution of $\text{Sn}^{4+} \leftrightarrow \text{Ti}^{4+}$.

487 In this study, we also report the D_{Ti} values for ilmenite and titanite in addition to
488 D_{Sn} (Tables S8a–b) and plot D_{Sn} vs. D_{Ti} in Fig. 7. As shown in this figure, D_{Sn} and D_{Ti}
489 indeed exhibit a good positive correlation for the Ru–RuO₂ buffered runs, confirming
490 the substitution of $\text{Sn}^{4+} \leftrightarrow \text{Ti}^{4+}$ in titanite and ilmenite. In our experiments, the Sn^{4+}
491 content in the melts should decrease and the Sn^{2+} content increase with decreasing $f\text{O}_2$
492 (from the Ru–RuO₂ and Re–ReO₂, buffers to the Co–CoO buffer to the graphite and
493 Fe–FeO buffers). The strong decrease in D_{Sn} with decreasing $f\text{O}_2$ (Figs. 6 a and d)
494 suggests that Sn^{2+} is highly incompatible in titanite and ilmenite. The study of Sidey
495 (2022) suggested that Sn^{2+} in titanite and ilmenite is mainly present as CN = VI (1.02
496 Å) and CN = VIII (1.17 Å), but a CN = VII for Sn^{2+} has never been reported. In
497 titanite, $^{\text{VI}}\text{Sn}^{2+}$ cannot enter the $^{\text{VI}}\text{Ti}^{4+}$ (0.61 Å) site because its ionic radius (1.02 Å) is
498 much larger than $^{\text{VI}}\text{Ti}^{4+}$. It seems that Sn^{2+} also cannot enter the Ca^{2+} site because Ca^{2+}
499 is VII-coordinated, but Sn^{2+} lacks this coordination number. In ilmenite, Sn^{2+} cannot
500 enter either the $^{\text{VI}}\text{Ti}^{4+}$ (0.61 Å) site or the $^{\text{VI}}\text{Fe}^{2+}$ (0.78 Å) site because the ionic radius
501 of $^{\text{VI}}\text{Sn}^{2+}$ (1.02 Å) is much larger than those of $^{\text{VI}}\text{Ti}^{4+}$ and $^{\text{VI}}\text{Fe}^{2+}$. In summary, the

502 substitution mechanisms discussed above largely explain the partitioning behaviors of
503 Sn between titanite, ilmenite, and melt, especially with respect to the effect of fO_2 .

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505 **6. Implications**

506 The Sn contents of magmas can provide useful information regarding the
507 mineralization potential of tin-granites. However, the Sn content of the bulk rocks
508 rarely represents that of the pre-mineralization magma because the Sn content in a
509 primitive magma may change during magmatic degassing and/or post magmatic
510 alteration. During magmatic crystallization, Sn partitions between the crystallizing
511 phases and the melt. The Sn content of a mineral can therefore be used to estimate Sn
512 content of the coexisting melt if the mineral/melt D_{Sn} is known. In this study, we
513 obtained $D_{Sn}^{min/melt}$ values for titanite and ilmenite. However, ilmenite is in most cases
514 not suitable for estimating the Sn content of the equilibrium melts, especially for
515 magmas that have slowly crystallized to granites because ilmenite easily re-
516 equilibrates at sub-solidus conditions (Bacon and Hirschmann, 1988; Hou et al.,
517 2020). In contrast, titanite is ideal for estimating the magmatic Sn content because it is
518 relatively inert during post-magmatic alteration (Xie et al., 2010; Che et al., 2013).

519 As an example, we used the $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$ data to estimate the magmatic Sn contents
520 of the Qitianling granites. The Sn-mineralized Qitianling granites in southern China
521 contain magmatic titanite in the hornblende-biotite (Hbl-Bt) granite and biotite (Bt)

522 granite. [Xie et al. \(2008, 2010\)](#) reported 0.15 wt% and 0.43 wt% Sn on average in
523 titanite from the Hbl-Bt granite and the Bt-granite, respectively. They also determined
524 an average crystallization temperature of 750 °C for the Bt granite using the Zr-in-
525 titanite thermometry of [Hayden et al. \(2007\)](#). [Huang et al. \(2019\)](#) estimated a
526 crystallization temperature of 820 °C for the Hbl-Bt granite using the hornblende-
527 plagioclase thermometry of [Holland and Blundy \(1994\)](#). In addition, [Huang et al.](#)
528 [\(2019\)](#) conducted phase equilibria modelling and obtained an fO_2 of $\sim \Delta NNO-1 \pm 0.5$
529 for the Qitianling granites. Based on the titanite Sn content, temperature, fO_2 , and
530 equation (1) presented in section 5.2, we estimated Sn contents in the Hbl-Bt granitic
531 and Bt granitic magmas before degassing. The results show that the primitive Hbl-Bt
532 granitic and Bt granitic magmas contained 149–219 ppm and 276–406 ppm Sn,
533 respectively ([Fig. 8](#), [Table S9b](#)). Compared to Sn contents in melt inclusions (~10–
534 ~550 ppm) of tin-granites elsewhere ([Audétat et al., 2000](#); [Zajacz et al., 2008](#);
535 [Borisova et al., 2012, Fig. 8](#)), the estimated melt Sn contents for the Qitianling tin-
536 granites are at the high end, indicating that the primitive magmas (or melts) of the
537 Qitianling granites were Sn-rich. The Qitianling granites have bulk rock Sn contents
538 of ~25 ppm on average ([Xie et al., 2010](#); [Huang et al., 2019](#)), much lower than those
539 estimated for the melts from the pre-mineralization magmas. The bulk rock Sn
540 contents are thus not a reliable proxy for the mineralization potential of the magma.

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Figure captions

721 **Fig. 1.** Schematic diagrams of the capsule designs for the experiments at different fO_2
722 buffers. **(a)** Single capsule design (design 1) for the Ru–RuO₂ buffered runs, in which
723 the Ru–RuO₂ buffer is directly in contact with the sample. In this design, Pt capsules
724 were used at high temperatures (≥ 1000 °C), and Au capsules at low temperatures ($<$
725 1000 °C). This design works very well because Sn does not alloy with the noble metal
726 capsule under this highly oxidizing condition and Ru does not dissolve into the
727 sample. **(b)** Double capsule design (design 2) for the Re–ReO₂ or graphite buffered
728 runs, in which an inner Re capsule was used as the sample container because Sn does
729 not significantly alloy with Re. The Re–ReO₂ or graphite buffers are directly in
730 contact with the sample because they do not react with Sn and show near to no
731 dissolution in the sample. **(c)** Double capsule design (design 3) for the Co–CoO or
732 Fe–FeO buffered runs, in which the sample is loaded into an inner Re capsule and the
733 buffer is loaded between the inner and outer capsules. The Co–CoO or Fe–FeO
734 buffers are added outside of the Re sample capsule because Fe and Co may alloy with
735 Sn and may significantly dissolve into the sample. For design 2 and design 3, sintered
736 ZrO₂ filled the volume between the inner and outer capsules to minimize deformation
737 of the capsules during the experiments.

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739 **Fig. 2.** Comparison of Sn contents of the quenched glasses measured by EPMA and

740 LA-ICP-MS, showing consistent results between the two methods. Error bars are
741 displayed only where they are larger than the symbols. Data are provided in [Tables 5](#)
742 and [S6](#).

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744 **Fig. 3.** Backscatter electron images of representative run products for the capsule
745 designs 1, 2 and 3 as shown in Figure 1. **(a)** Run T5A with design 1 at 900 °C, 0.5
746 GPa, and Ru–RuO₂ buffered condition, **(b)** Run 21Re with design 2 at 950 °C, 0.5
747 GPa, and graphite buffered condition, and **(c)** Run 10Re with design 3 at 950 °C, 0.5
748 GPa, and Co–CoO buffered condition. The results show that (1) euhedral to subhedral
749 titanite (Ttn), ilmenite (Ilm), and scheelite (Sch) coexist with clear quenched glass
750 (Gl), and (2) the fO_2 buffers remain survived after the experiment. The fluid bubbles
751 (Fl) present in the quenched glasses of Run T5A **(a)** and Run 10Re **(c)** indicate melt
752 H₂O saturation.

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754 **Fig. 4.** Compositions of ilmenite plotted in the FeO–FeO_{1.5}–TiO₂ diagram. Dashed
755 lines correspond to the ilmenite–hematite solid solution. Data are from [Tables 4](#) and
756 [S3](#).

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758 **Fig. 5. (a)** D_{Sn} vs. experimental duration (in hours) for time-series experiments at
759 900 °C, 0.5 GPa, and Ru–RuO₂ buffered conditions. **(b)** Tin content in melt (Sn
760 solubility) vs. temperature for experiments at 0.5-1 GPa and Ru–RuO₂ buffered

761 condition. Data are from **Tables 6** and **S8**.

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763 **Fig. 6.** D_{Sn} vs. ΔQFM , temperature and melt NBO/T for titanite (**a, b, c**) and ilmenite

764 (**d, e, f**), showing that (1) D_{Sn}^{Ttn} and D_{Sn}^{Ilm} decrease with decreasing fO_2 (**a, d**), and (2)

765 D_{Sn}^{Ttn} and D_{Sn}^{Ilm} decrease with increasing temperature and melt NBO/T in the Ru–

766 RuO₂ buffered runs (**b, c, e, f**). The dashed red lines in (**a**) and (**d**) were regressed

767 mainly based on 950 °C data following O'Neill and Eggins (2002) [$D_{\Sigma M}^{min/melt} =$

768 $(D_{M^{n+}}^{min/melt} \cdot K \cdot (fO_2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + (D_{M^{(n+2)+}}^{min/melt}) / (1 + K \cdot (fO_2)^{-\frac{1}{2}})$, where M is a

769 multivalent element, and n is the valence state of the element in reduced form]. The

770 dashed grey lines in (**c**)–(**f**) are regressed based on data from the Ru–RuO₂ or graphite

771 buffered runs. Panel (**d**) shows that $D_{Sn}^{Ilm/melt}$ from the Fe–FeO buffered run deviates

772 from the D_{Sn} – fO_2 trend, which may have been caused by fO_2 fluctuation during the

773 experiment (see the text for more interpretation).

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775 **Fig. 7.** D_{Sn} vs. D_{Ti} for titanite (**a**) and ilmenite (**b**), showing a positive linear

776 relationship for D_{Sn} and D_{Ti} at a given experimental fO_2 (Ru–RuO₂ or graphite buffer),

777 suggesting substitution of $Sn^{4+} \leftrightarrow Ti^{4+}$ for both minerals.

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779 **Fig. 8.** Estimated Sn contents for pre-mineralization Hbl-Bt granitic (in red) and Bt

780 granitic (in blue) magmas using the titanite Sn content and $D_{Sn}^{Ttn/melt}$ (for details, see

781 the text). The round symbols indicate the Sn contents of melt inclusions from tin-

782 granites A00 ([Audétat et al., 2000](#)), Z08 ([Zajacz et al., 2008](#)), and B12 ([Borisova et](#)
783 [al., 2012](#)). This figure shows that the estimated Sn contents in the Qitianling pre-
784 mineralization magmas (Hbl-Bt and Bt granite) are at the high end of the Sn content
785 in the melt inclusions. The grey dashed line represents the bulk rock Sn content of
786 Qitianling granites that is 25 ppm on average ([Xie et al., 2010](#); [Huang et al., 2019](#)).

Tables

Table 1 Compositions of synthetic starting material and Qitianling granite QTL38C.

Starting material (synthetic QTL38C+10%CaTiSiO ₅ +trace elements)					QTL38C		
Major elements (wt%)		Trace elements (ppm)			Major elements (wt%)		
	n=8		n=10		n=10		
SiO ₂	63.28(0.19)	Sn	5178(287)	Cs	249(2)	SiO ₂	65.72
TiO ₂	4.05(0.08)	Nb	279(2)	La	182(1)	TiO ₂	1.04
Al ₂ O ₃	12.69(0.08)	Ta	254 (2)	Ce	243(2)	Al ₂ O ₃	13.58
FeO	5.35(0.19)	W	484(6)	Pr	234(2)	FeO	5.74
MnO	0.09(0.04)	Mo	350(13)	Sm	222(2)	MnO	0.10
MgO	1.05(0.02)	Zr	336(5)	Eu	242(2)	MgO	1.37
CaO	4.39(0.08)	Hf	435(3)	Gd	248(2)	CaO	3.27
Na ₂ O	2.58(0.13)	Li	257(3)	Dy	366(2)	Na ₂ O	2.95
K ₂ O	3.65(0.05)	Be	267 (5)	Yb	406(3)	K ₂ O	3.91
SnO ₂	0.66(0.05)	Rb	269(1)				

Major elements and trace elements of the synthetic starting material were analyzed by EPMA and LA-ICP-MS (n = analytical points), respectively. Major elements of Qitianling granite QTL38C are from Huang et al. (2019). Numbers in parentheses are 1 s.d..

793 **Table 2** Experimental conditions and run products.

Run	^I Capsule design	T (°C)	P (GPa)	^{II} H ₂ O _{in} (wt%)	<i>f</i> O ₂ buffer	^{III} <i>f</i> O ₂ Cal. (Δ QFM)	Duration (hours)	Run product phase proportions (wt.%)	ΣR ²	^{IV} Fe loss (%)	^V Sn loss (%)
1A	a	850	0.5	8	Ru–RuO ₂	8.1	312	Gl(86.0)+Ilm(8.1)+Cpx(4.4)+Ttn(1.3)+Cst(0.2)+Fl	0.10	1.37	-
1B	a	850	0.5	5	Ru–RuO ₂	8.1	312	Gl(85.8)+Ilm(7.9)+Cpx(4.7)+Ttn(1.4)+Cst(0.2)+Fl	0.08	1.43	-
1C	a	850	0.5	3	Ru–RuO ₂	8.1	312	Gl(85.8)+Ilm(7.9)+Cpx(4.6)+Ttn(1.4)+Cst(0.3)+Fl	0.06	1.36	-
T1	a	900	0.5	12	Ru–RuO ₂	7.8	24	Gl(91.1)+Ilm(7.6)+Ttn(1.0)+Cst(0.3)+Fl	0.23	1.08	-
T2A	a	900	0.5	12	Ru–RuO ₂	7.8	48	Gl(91.1)+Ilm(7.5)+Ttn(1.1)+Cst(0.3)+Fl	0.15	0.00	-
T2B	a	900	0.5	12	Ru–RuO ₂	7.8	48	Gl(91.2)+Ilm(7.4)+Ttn(1.1)+Cst(0.3)+Fl	0.04	0.00	-
T3A	a	900	0.5	12	Ru–RuO ₂	7.8	72	Gl(91.5)+Ilm(6.8)+Ttn(1.6)+Cst(0.1)+Fl	0.05	0.95	-
T3C	a	900	0.5	12	Ru–RuO ₂	7.8	72	Gl(90.8)+Ilm(7.4)+Ttn(1.6)+Cst(0.2)+Fl	0.11	2.21	-
T4A	a	900	0.5	12	Ru–RuO ₂	7.8	96	Gl(91.3)+Ilm(7.5)+Ttn(1.0)+Cst(0.3)+Fl	0.11	2.26	-
T5A	a	900	0.5	5	Ru–RuO ₂	7.8	120	Gl(91.5)+Ilm(6.8)+Ttn(1.6)+Cst(0.1)+Fl	0.06	1.01	-
T5B	a	900	0.5	10	Ru–RuO ₂	7.8	120	Gl(91.6)+Ilm(6.8)+Ttn(1.6)+Cst(<0.1)+Fl	0.04	0.51	-
3A	a	950	0.5	5	Ru–RuO ₂	7.5	108	Gl(91.7)+Ilm(7.1)+Ttn(1.0)+Cst(0.2)+Fl	0.10	3.01	-
3B	a	950	0.5	8	Ru–RuO ₂	7.5	108	Gl(91.8)+Ilm(7.0)+Ttn(1.1)+Cst(0.2)+Fl	0.06	0.77	-
7M	a	1000	0.5	5	Ru–RuO ₂	7.2	96	Gl(94.1)+Ilm(5.7)+Cst(0.2)+Fl	0.10	1.45	-
7D	a	1000	0.5	8	Ru–RuO ₂	7.2	96	Gl(93.5)+Ilm(6.3)+Cst(0.2)+Fl	0.06	1.28	-
9A		1000	1.0	10	Ru–RuO ₂	7.0	76	Gl(85.3)+Ilm(5.5)+Hem(<0.1)+Ttn(4.3)+Cst(5.0)	0.91	0.00	-
9B		1000	1.0	10	Re–ReO ₂	2.1	76	Gl(89.4)+Ilm(1.2)+Rtl(2.7)+Ttn(1.7)+Cst(5.0)	0.28	0.00	-
22Re	b	900	0.5	15	graphite	-1.0	120	Gl(88.1)+Ilm(5.4)+Cpx(5.7)+Rtl(0.3)+Sch(0.5)	0.06	0.21	0.00
21Re	b	950	0.5	15	graphite	-1.1	108	Gl(92.8)+Ilm(4.8)+Cpx(1.8)+Sch(0.7)	0.05	0.00	3.81
28Re	b	1000	0.5	15	graphite	-1.1	96	Gl(98.8)+Ilm(1.2)	0.58	0.00	0.00
10Re	c	950	0.5	12	Co–CoO	-1.1	108	Gl(94.5)+Ilm(4.5)+Ttn(0.5)+Sch(0.5)+Fl	0.55	0.00	46.00
12Re	c	950	0.5	12	*Fe–FeO	> -4.2	108	Gl(94.9)+Ilm(4.2)+Ttn(0.5)+Sch(0.5)+Fl	0.75	0.00	55.70

794 All the experiments were performed using QT38C + 10%CaTiSiO₅ + trace elements as starting materials, except for two runs (9A and 9B with Au₉₉Sn₁ capsules as the Sn
 795 source), where the starting material was QT38C (dry glass melted from a natural rock powder) + 10% CaTiSiO₅ without addition of trace elements. The runs labelled “T” are
 796 time-series experiments. Phase abbreviations: Gl: glass; Ttn: titanite; Ilm: ilmenite; Hem: hematite; Cst: cassiterite; Cpx: clinopyroxene; Rtl: rutile; Sch: scheelite; Fl: fluid
 797 bubbles. Phase proportions (wt%) were calculated from mass balance. R² is the residual of the mass balance calculations.

798 ^I capsule designs as described in Fig 1a, b, and c (except for runs 9A and 9B, which have the capsule design as in Fig 1a, but Au₉₉Sn₁ capsules were used).

799 ^{II} initial H₂O content added to the sample capsule.

800 ^{III} Δ QFM=log*f*O₂(experiment) – log*f*O₂(QFM; Frost, 1991). Buffer materials remained present after the experiments in all but one (run 12Re); *f*O₂ values were calculated for
 801 Ru–RuO₂ (equation of O'Neill and Nell, 1997); Re–ReO₂ (equation of Pownceby and O'Neill, 1994); Co–CoO (equation of Holmes et al., 1986); graphite=CCO (equation of
 802 Jakobsson and Oskarsson, 1994); Fe–FeO (equation of Huebner, 1971). Note that Fe in run 12 Re (*Fe–FeO) was consumed after the experiment and the real *f*O₂ in this run
 803 may thus be higher than the Fe-FeO buffer.

804 ^{IV} relative Fe loss was calculated by mass balance. Fe loss (%) = (FeO in starting material – FeO calculated in run product)/ FeO in starting material × 100.

805 ^v relative Sn loss was calculated by mass balance. Sn loss (%) = (SnO₂ in starting material – SnO₂ calculated in run product)/SnO₂ in starting material × 100. Relative Sn loss
806 for the cassiterite saturated runs was not calculated.

807 **Table 3** Rim compositions and Sn contents of titanite analyzed by EPMA (wt%)

Run	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	CaO	SnO ₂	Nb ₂ O ₅	Ta ₂ O ₅	WO ₃	ZrO ₂	HfO ₂	ΣREE	Total	Sn (ppm)
1A	27.05(0.84)	26.96(1.18)	1.19(0.12)	3.37(0.77)	24.13(0.71)	6.46(0.76)	0.53(0.08)	0.42(0.10)	0.74(0.14)	0.43(0.09)	0.70(0.23)	4.99(1.44)	98.38(0.36)	50903(6005)
1B	26.39(0.66)	25.22(1.12)	1.20(0.21)	3.86(0.53)	23.00(0.46)	7.64(0.76)	0.79(0.13)	0.46(0.19)	0.90(0.14)	0.38(0.09)	0.57(0.14)	7.37(1.74)	99.02(0.87)	60191(6017)
1C	26.97(0.68)	26.26(0.89)	1.45(0.18)	3.40(0.51)	22.95(0.57)	6.07(0.86)	0.76(0.06)	0.53(0.13)	0.89(0.13)	0.37(0.12)	0.59(0.21)	7.96(0.86)	99.00(0.21)	47827(6803)
T1	27.39(0.28)	25.41 (0.88)	1.08 (0.08)	3.25 (0.17)	23.22 (0.36)	9.42 (1.33)	0.64(0.1)	0.65(0.18)	bdl	0.29(0.19)	0.39(0.23)	8.09(0.75)	99.29(0.4)	74185 (10509)
T2A	26.10 (0.85)	26.52(0.48)	1.1(0.07)	3.96(1.22)	23.14(0.78)	8.18(0.73)	0.44(0.02)	0.5(0.03)	bdl	0.17(0.03)	0.32(0.02)	9.03(0.48)	99.66(0.3)	64423(5749)
T2B	27.09(0.21)	27.34(0.54)	1.03(0.1)	3.07(0.21)	24.08(0.28)	7.53(0.88)	0.57(0.04)	0.43(0.08)	bdl	0.21(0.06)	0.36(0.09)	7.36(1.02)	99.23(0.72)	59316(6904)
T3A	27.27(0.19)	27.52(0.05)	1.14(0.04)	3.33(0.19)	24.09(0.05)	6.49(0.42)	0.58(0.06)	0.59(0.09)	bdl	0.21(0.03)	0.39(0.04)	6.58(0.69)	98.31(0.11)	51115(3269)
T3C	27.43(0.13)	28.06(0.33)	1.06(0.04)	3.14(0.28)	24.42(0.16)	6.75(0.14)	0.42(0.09)	0.38(0.04)	bdl	0.22(0)	0.43(0.02)	7.62(0.53)	100.05(0.3)	53143(1135)
T4	27.17(0.2)	27.92(0.61)	1.07(0.04)	3.04(0.18)	24.21(0.22)	6.85(0.36)	0.61(0.06)	0.46(0.03)	bdl	0.19(0.03)	0.31(0.05)	7.41(0.74)	99.35(0.44)	53920(2866)
T5A	27.07(0.66)	27.72(0.88)	0.94(0.07)	2.61(0.22)	23.95(0.30)	8.22(0.83)	0.43(0.04)	0.45(0.07)	0.65(0.08)	0.19(0.04)	0.37(0.05)	5.34(0.48)	99.44(0.34)	64724(6542)
T5B	26.56(0.54)	26.25(0.54)	0.87(0.08)	2.62(0.16)	23.49(0.17)	10.28(0.75)	0.38(0.06)	0.52(0.14)	0.68(0.05)	0.18(0.05)	0.39(0.11)	6.06(0.43)	99.54(0.25)	80942(5916)
3A	26.94(0.51)	27.48(0.63)	0.96(0.08)	2.72(0.14)	23.55(0.19)	8.54(0.70)	0.35(0.04)	0.42(0.06)	0.69(0.04)	0.19(0.03)	0.37(0.06)	6.21(0.28)	99.56(0.18)	67301(5485)
3B	27.11(0.73)	27.51(0.66)	0.86(0.09)	2.52(0.23)	23.77(0.10)	9.02(0.78)	0.38(0.06)	0.39(0.08)	0.61(0.04)	0.18(0.03)	0.39(0.05)	5.71(0.12)	99.16(0.23)	71068(6152)
10Re	28.70(0.27)	35.30(0.50)	1.39(0.10)	1.23(0.16)	25.59(0.14)	0.63(0.24)	0.30(0.05)	0.51(0.09)	0.48(0.10)	0.16(0.07)	0.40(0.17)	3.34(0.40)	99.00(0.55)	4964(1875)
12Re	29.57(0.51)	36.13(0.18)	1.54(0.16)	1.20(0.19)	25.51(0.22)	0.14(0.10)	0.34(0.05)	0.47(0.11)	0.62(0.07)	0.15(0.05)	0.33(0.04)	3.32(0.24)	99.92(0.36)	1112(768)
9A	28.02(0.62)	26.43(1.43)	0.65(0.12)	1.74(0.12)	25.35(0.31)	15.14(2.42)	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	97.64(0.55)	119265(19081)
9B	28.09(0.23)	28.34(0.17)	0.77(0.09)	1.50(0.10)	25.33(0.09)	13.49(0.76)	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	bdl	97.76(0.66)	107330(5720)

808 The original data are reported in supplementary Table S2. Numbers in parentheses are 1 s.d.. Sn (ppm) in the last column is converted from SnO₂ (wt%) in column 7. bdl
 809 means below detection limit (the starting material of runs 9A and 9B was not doped with trace elements).

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Table 4 Compositions and Sn contents of ilmenite and rutile analyzed by EPMA (wt%)

Run	Phase	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	SnO ₂	Total	Sn (ppm)
1A	Ilm	0.16(0.09)	39.04(1.33)	1.56(0.26)	46.63(1.28)	0.15(0.02)	3.28(0.28)	0.11(0.07)	2.63(0.51)	93.82(1.28)	20726(3983)
1B	Ilm	0.11(0.02)	40.21(0.77)	1.69(0.12)	46.05(0.66)	0.16(0.02)	3.54(0.19)	0.06(0.01)	2.87(0.26)	94.89(0.73)	22626(2052)
1C	Ilm	0.12(0.02)	39.91(0.90)	1.72(0.07)	46.25(0.57)	0.15(0.02)	3.26(0.20)	0.06(0.02)	2.28(0.34)	93.94(0.56)	17933(2671)
T1	Ilm	0.09(0.03)	39.75(0.39)	1.64(0.15)	45.36(0.61)	0.13(0.04)	3.18(0.19)	0.07(0.04)	2.47(0.13)	92.69(0.46)	19421(1014)
T2A	Ilm	0.13(0.07)	38.59(0.38)	1.67(0.22)	45.80(0.88)	0.11(0.01)	3.11(0.21)	0.10(0.03)	2.30(0.36)	91.83(0.59)	18106(2805)
T2B	Ilm	0.15(0.06)	38.98(1.14)	1.60(0.17)	45.56(1.84)	0.12(0.01)	3.25(0.46)	0.13(0.02)	2.49(0.21)	92.30(0.31)	19634(1641)
T3A	Ilm	0.09(0.01)	40.02(0.68)	1.75(0.05)	44.76(0.47)	0.15(0.01)	3.41(0.23)	0.07(0.02)	2.5(0.15)	92.75(0.62)	19717(1155)
T3C	Ilm	0.15(0.12)	39.57(0.83)	1.62(0.08)	44.58(0.98)	0.14(0.03)	3.46(0.33)	0.11(0.03)	2.52(0.16)	92.19(0.39)	19862(1294)
T4	Ilm	0.14(0.03)	40.85(1.05)	1.68(0.08)	42.9(1.75)	0.14(0.03)	4.05(0.49)	0.11(0.01)	2.43(0.18)	92.30(0.24)	19124(1417)
T5A	Ilm	0.07(0.02)	40.14(0.82)	1.82(0.10)	47.11(0.74)	0.14(0.02)	3.32(0.14)	0.06(0.02)	3.06(0.09)	95.89(1.34)	24072(698)
T5B	Ilm	0.08(0.02)	39.96(0.78)	1.84(0.11)	47.31(0.35)	0.14(0.02)	3.27(0.07)	0.06(0.01)	3.06(0.07)	95.84(1.05)	24072(556)
3A	Ilm	0.11(0.02)	41.83(1.05)	1.90(0.05)	43.90(0.52)	0.16(0.02)	4.08(0.13)	0.08(0.01)	2.43(0.20)	94.70(0.79)	19131(1572)
3B	Ilm	0.12(0.03)	38.03(1.17)	1.73(0.11)	45.27(0.31)	0.14(0.02)	3.77(0.17)	0.07(0.01)	2.58(0.19)	91.95(1.24)	20336(1471)
7M	Ilm	0.08(0.02)	40.46(0.26)	1.70(0.03)	44.05(0.29)	0.12(0.01)	3.47(0.04)	0.12(0.02)	2.49(0.11)	92.86(0.40)	19627(879)
7D	Ilm	0.13(0.02)	39.98(0.36)	1.70(0.04)	43.83(0.24)	0.12(0.01)	3.56(0.08)	0.14(0.02)	2.57(0.15)	92.48(0.20)	20233(1163)
9A	Ilm	0.16(0.04)	33.75(0.41)	1.23(0.03)	48.10(0.66)	0.14(0.01)	1.09(0.04)	0.15(0.02)	5.62(0.08)	89.84(1.06)	44239(618)
9B	Ilm	0.14(0.03)	28.00(0.24)	0.78(0.05)	52.63(0.41)	0.21(0.02)	1.66(0.04)	0.13(0.01)	3.77(0.07)	87.59(0.49)	29678(570)
22Re	Ilm	0.22(0.13)	52.82(0.54)	0.19(0.08)	41.23(2.48)	0.57(0.05)	3.55(0.17)	41.23(2.48)	0.04(0.01)	97.91(2.52)	307(45)
21Re	Ilm	0.15(0.09)	53.12(0.27)	0.14(0.02)	41.66(1.37)	0.55(0.05)	3.51(0.19)	41.66(1.37)	0.03(0.01)	99.87(1.44)	238(86)
28Re	Ilm	0.16(0.1)	53.92(0.37)	0.22(0.03)	39.76(1.22)	0.54(0.05)	4.66(0.08)	39.76(1.22)	0.02(0.01)	100.04(1.49)	163(59)
10Re	Ilm	0.08(0.02)	52.78(0.25)	0.12(0.01)	40.97(1.1)	0.55(0.06)	3.89(0.08)	40.97(1.1)	0.03(0.01)	99.03(0.99)	275(98)
12Re	Ilm	0.1(0.03)	50.12(0.23)	0.17(0.01)	43.04(1.25)	0.52(0.06)	3.77(0.05)	43.04(1.25)	0.11(0.02)	98.39(1.35)	896(169)
9A	Hem	0.19(0.10)	10.34(0.32)	1.32(0.16)	68.65(0.39)	0.32(0.01)	2.24(0.04)	0.23(0.01)	2.18(0.04)	85.44(0.37)	17163(282)
9B	Rtl	0.30(0.09)	68.24(0.68)	0.23(0.05)	2.53(0.06)	0.01(<0.01)	0.04(<0.01)	0.24(0.01)	17.52(0.05)	92.48(1.36)	137982(403)
22Re	Rtl	0.19(0.01)	88.29(1.37)	0.50(0.05)	1.70(0.08)	0.01(0.01)	0.06(0.01)	1.70(0.08)	0.06(0.01)	99.59(1.32)	457(102)

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The original data are reported in supplementary Table S3. Numbers in parentheses are 1 s.d.. Sn (ppm) in the last column is converted from SnO₂ (wt%) in column 10.

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Table 5 Compositions (wt%) and Sn contents (ppm) of quenched glass analyzed by EPMA and/or LA-ICP-MS

Run	SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO	MnO	MgO	CaO	^a Na ₂ O	K ₂ O	SnO ₂	Total	^b H ₂ O _{melt} (wt%)	^c Sn (ppm)	^a Sn (ppm)	^d NBO/T
1A	64.75(0.58)	0.22(0.02)	13.04(0.15)	0.83(0.10)	0.05(0.03)	0.35(0.03)	3.04(0.14)	2.79(0.01)	3.61(0.10)	0.04(0.01)	89.07 (1.15)	10.93	323(48)	334(7)	0.035
1B	65.08(0.35)	0.23(0.03)	12.96(0.15)	0.91(0.05)	0.06(0.02)	0.37(0.04)	2.97(0.07)	2.82(0.01)	3.74(0.13)	0.04(<0.01)	89.63 (0.86)	10.37	299(33)	326(14)	0.037
1C	64.83(0.35)	0.22(0.02)	13.07(0.16)	0.92(0.07)	0.04(0.02)	0.36(0.07)	3.01(0.08)	2.89(0.10)	3.73(0.22)	0.06(0.01)	89.65 (1.11)	10.35	455(105)	466(22)	0.038
T1	63.31(0.23)	0.52(0.04)	12.84(0.04)	1.49(0.05)	0.06(0.02)	0.83(0.02)	4.12(0.04)	2.56(0.05)	3.21(0.12)	0.1(0.01)	88.31(0.37)	11.69	794(74)	938(45)	0.104
T2A	63.54(0.38)	0.5(0.03)	12.48(0.1)	1.64(0.07)	0.06(0.02)	0.8(0.01)	4.17(0.07)	2.71(0.04)	3.32(0.11)	0.11(0.01)	88.59(0.43)	11.41	872(82)	943(7)	0.118
T2B	63.29(0.43)	0.51(0.04)	12.58(0.1)	1.67(0.09)	0.08(0.02)	0.81(0.02)	4.13(0.09)	2.76(0.04)	3.46(0.13)	0.11(0.02)	88.62(0.47)	11.38	866(143)	919(27)	0.120
T3A	63.05(0.3)	0.49(0.04)	12.56(0.07)	1.68(0.07)	0.08(0.02)	0.78(0.03)	3.97(0.12)	2.7(0.03)	3.45(0.11)	0.12(0.01)	88.01(0.41)	11.99	927(69)	983(17)	0.111
T3C	63.43(0.15)	0.51(0.04)	12.56(0.17)	1.61(0.09)	0.05(0.03)	0.7(0.01)	3.79(0.12)	2.86(0.04)	3.5(0.09)	0.11(0.01)	88.2(0.4)	11.80	862(114)	869(50)	0.104
T4A	63.15(0.23)	0.52(0.03)	12.57(0.1)	1.69(0.05)	0.07(0.02)	0.77(0.02)	3.99(0.06)	2.79(0.02)	3.47(0.06)	0.11(0.02)	88.38(0.4)	11.62	827(164)	902(96)	0.117
T5A	62.51(0.33)	0.68(0.05)	12.31(0.20)	1.74(0.09)	0.06(0.02)	0.78(0.04)	3.83(0.07)	2.74(0.04)	3.50(0.10)	0.14(0.01)	89.98 (0.96)	11.02	1128(57)	1113(11)	0.099
T5B	62.41(0.56)	0.68(0.05)	12.51(0.32)	1.73(0.14)	0.07(0.02)	0.80(0.05)	3.93(0.16)	2.64(0.03)	3.43(0.11)	0.16(0.01)	89.89 (1.45)	11.11	1221(41)	1220(52)	0.096
3A	62.40(0.32)	1.00(0.05)	12.33(0.15)	1.89(0.12)	0.06(0.04)	0.77(0.05)	3.97(0.08)	2.69(0.03)	3.38(0.15)	0.19(0.01)	89.29 (1.00)	10.71	1471(79)	1472(28)	0.110
3B	62.52(0.24)	0.88(0.07)	12.35(0.13)	1.81(0.09)	0.07(0.03)	0.80(0.05)	3.98(0.07)	2.67(0.04)	3.41(0.10)	0.17(0.01)	89.17 (0.83)	10.83	1359(42)	1293(20)	0.107
7M	60.96(0.50)	1.53(0.15)	11.89(0.17)	2.40(0.18)	0.05(0.03)	0.80(0.03)	4.13(0.12)	2.64(0.04)	3.31(0.08)	0.31(0.01)	88.87 (1.33)	11.13	2418(74)	2111(40)	0.134
7D	61.66(0.61)	1.33(0.08)	12.27(0.19)	2.19(0.17)	0.07(0.02)	0.78(0.03)	4.12(0.08)	2.72(0.03)	3.38(0.10)	0.25(0.02)	89.70 (1.31)	10.30	1963(127)	1774(20)	0.121
9A	64.00(0.75)	0.82(0.03)	12.97(0.18)	2.31(0.09)	0.13(0.02)	0.89(0.05)	4.15(0.28)	2.81(0.08)	4.02(0.10)	0.31(0.02)	92.70 (1.62)	7.30	2454(134)	2356(62)	0.118
9B	62.98(0.80)	1.21(0.04)	12.20(0.11)	4.05(0.34)	0.12(0.02)	0.92(0.07)	3.93(0.24)	2.36(0.03)	3.52(0.11)	0.92(0.02)	92.21 (1.78)	7.79	7256(147)	6716(114)	0.200
22Re	67.91(0.65)	0.92(0.14)	13.93(0.25)	2.68(0.29)	0.06(0.02)	0.47(0.07)	3.32(0.24)	2.91(0.06)	3.91(0.19)	0.73(0.04)	96.88 (1.93)	3.12	5723(277)	5296(296)	0.127
21Re	64.59(0.54)	1.28(0.06)	13.17(0.13)	3.45(0.28)	0.05(0.02)	0.63(0.05)	3.98(0.13)	2.81(0.05)	3.78(0.11)	0.66(0.04)	94.49 (1.41)	5.51	5191(327)	4777(197)	0.189
28Re	63.32(0.53)	3.40(0.19)	12.82(0.20)	5.63(0.16)	0.09(0.02)	1.20(0.04)	4.07(0.16)	2.61(0.02)	3.36(0.11)	0.71(0.03)	98.22 (1.46)	1.78	5621(256)	5377(164)	0.364
10Re	62.04(0.29)	1.07(0.05)	12.69(0.13)	3.63(0.14)	0.08(0.03)	0.88(0.03)	3.48(0.12)	2.76(0.05)	3.60(0.12)	0.34(0.03)	90.63 (0.99)	9.37	2712(213)	2882(60)	0.170
12Re	62.09(0.44)	1.19(0.05)	12.66(0.17)	3.94(0.20)	0.07(0.02)	0.92(0.04)	3.63(0.08)	2.61(0.04)	3.52(0.09)	0.28(0.02)	90.93 (1.15)	9.07	2226(133)	2304(93)	0.197

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Sn contents indicated in bold represent the tin solubility in the melt which are saturated in cassiterite.

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The original data are reported in supplementary Table S6. Numbers in parentheses are 1 s.d..

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^aNa₂O (column 9) and Sn (column 15) determined by LA-ICP-MS;

- 817 ^bmelt H₂O content (H₂O in quenched glass) calculated by 100 minus the EPMA total (Na₂O is from LA-ICP-MS).
- 818 ^cSn (ppm) in column 14 is converted from SnO₂ (wt%) in column 11.
- 819 ^dNBO/T, non-bridging oxygens per tetrahedrally coordinated cation. $NBO/T = (2 \cdot X_O - 4 \cdot X_T) / X_T$, in which X_T and X_O are the atomic proportions of tetrahedrally coordinated
- 820 cations (Si, Al, Fe³⁺) and oxygen, respectively.

821 **Table 6** Calculated Sn partition coefficients ($D_{Sn}^{\text{min/melt}}$) between mineral and melt.

Run	T(°C)	P(Gpa)	fO_2 (Δ QFM)	NBO/T	$D_{Sn}^{\text{Ttn/melt}}$	$D_{Sn}^{\text{Ilm/melt}}$	$D_{Sn}^{\text{Hem/melt}}$	$D_{Sn}^{\text{Rtl/melt}}$	$D_{Sn}^{\text{Cpx/melt}}$
1A	850	0.5	8.1	0.035	152.2(18.28)	61.97(11.99)			17.47(3.3)
1B	850	0.5	8.1	0.037	184.75(20.2)	69.45(7.01)			15.21(3.86)
1C	850	0.5	8.1	0.038	102.65(15.39)	38.49(6.01)			17.50(4.84)
T1	900	0.5	7.8	0.104	79.11 (11.83)	20.71(1.47)			
T2A	900	0.5	7.8	0.118	68.34(6.12)	19.21(2.98)			
T2B	900	0.5	7.8	0.120	64.53(7.75)	21.36(1.89)			
T3A	900	0.5	7.8	0.111	52.01(3.45)	20.06(1.23)			
T3C	900	0.5	7.8	0.104	61.18(3.76)	22.87(1.99)			
T4A	900	0.5	7.8	0.117	59.79(7.1)	21.21(2.75)			
T5A	900	0.5	7.8	0.099	58.16(5.9)	21.63(0.66)			
T5B	900	0.5	7.8	0.096	66.34(5.63)	19.73(0.96)			
3A	950	0.5	7.5	0.110	45.73(3.83)	13.00(1.1)			
3B	950	0.5	7.5	0.107	54.95(4.84)	15.72(1.16)			
7M	1000	0.5	7.2	0.134		9.30(0.45)			
7D	1000	0.5	7.2	0.121		11.41(0.67)			
9A	1000	1	7.0	0.118	50.62(8.21)	18.78(0.56)	7.28(0.23)		
9B	1000	1	2.1	0.127	15.98(0.89)	4.42(0.11)		20.55(0.36)	
22Re	900	0.5	-1.0	0.189		0.06(0.01)		0.09(0.02)	0.02(0.02)
21Re	950	0.5	-1.1	0.364		0.05(0.02)			0.01(0.02)
28Re	1000	0.5	-1.1	0.170		0.03(0.01)			
10Re	950	0.5	-1.1	0.197	1.72(0.65)	0.10(0.04)			
12Re	950	0.5	> -4.2	0.035	0.48(0.33)	0.39(0.06)			

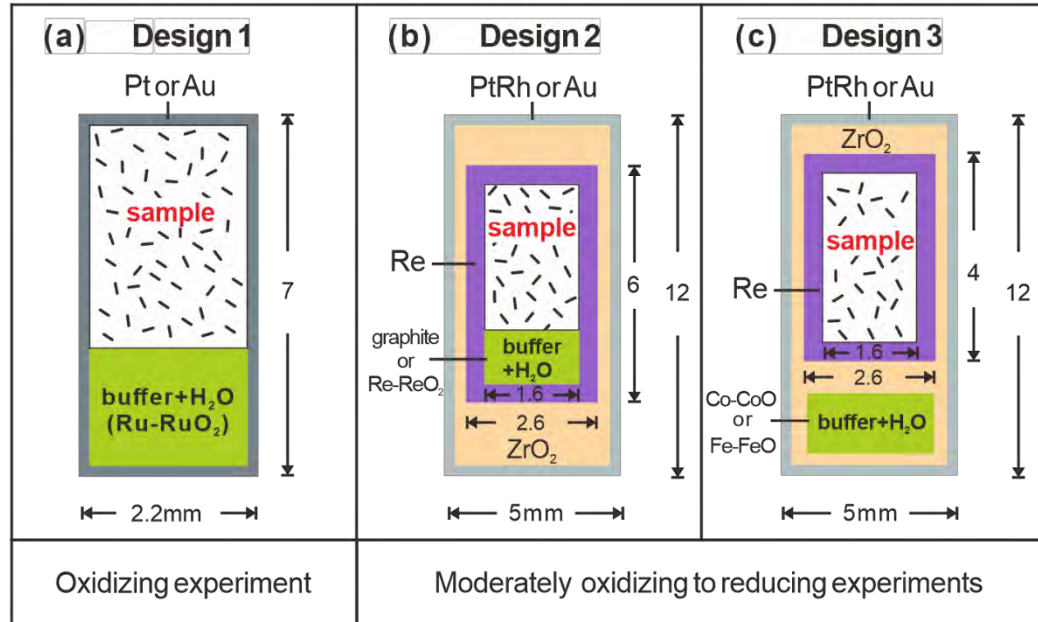
822 Numbers in parentheses are the propagated uncertainties(σ) of Sn partition coefficients ($D_{Sn}^{\text{min/melt}} = C_{Sn}^{\text{min}}/C_{Sn}^{\text{melt}}$) calculated as:

823 $\sigma D_{Sn}^{\text{min/melt}} = [(\sigma C_{Sn}^{\text{min}})^2 / (C_{Sn}^{\text{melt}})^2 + (C_{Sn}^{\text{min}})^2 / (C_{Sn}^{\text{melt}})^4 \times (\sigma C_{Sn}^{\text{melt}})^2]^{0.5}$, where $\sigma C_{Sn}^{\text{min}}$, $\sigma C_{Sn}^{\text{melt}}$ are the uncertainties of C_{Sn}^{min} and C_{Sn}^{melt} , respectively.

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Figures

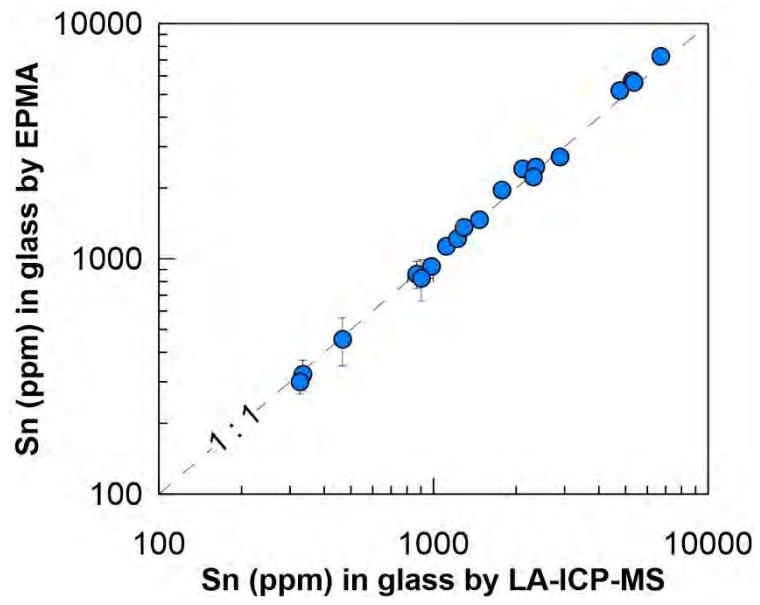
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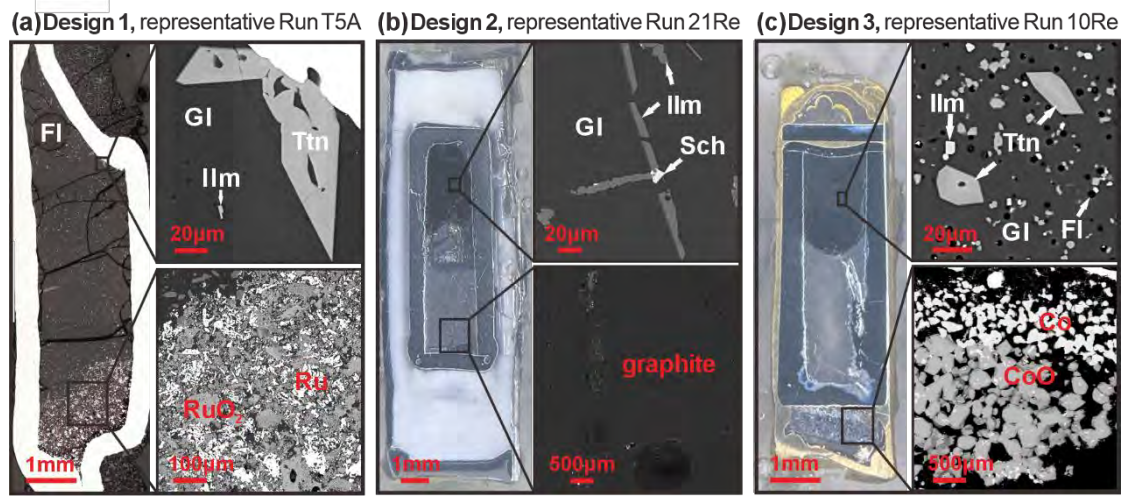
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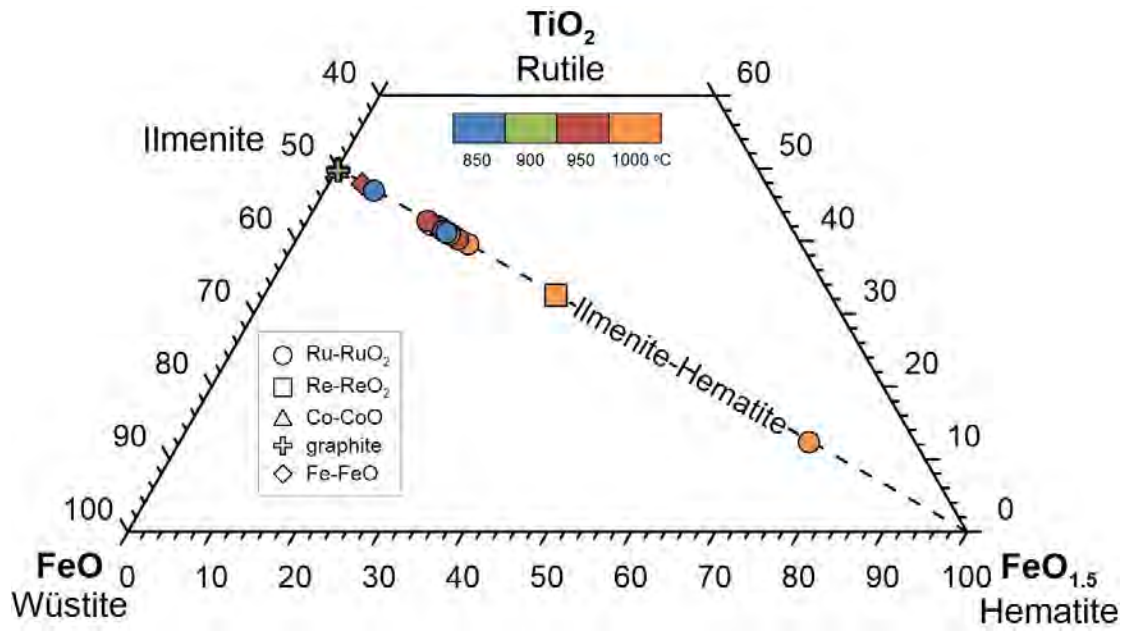


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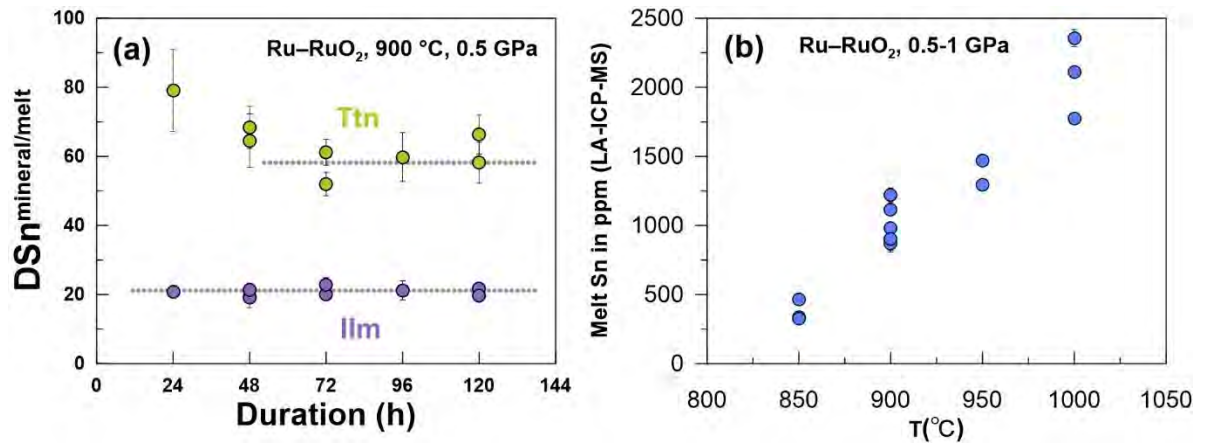


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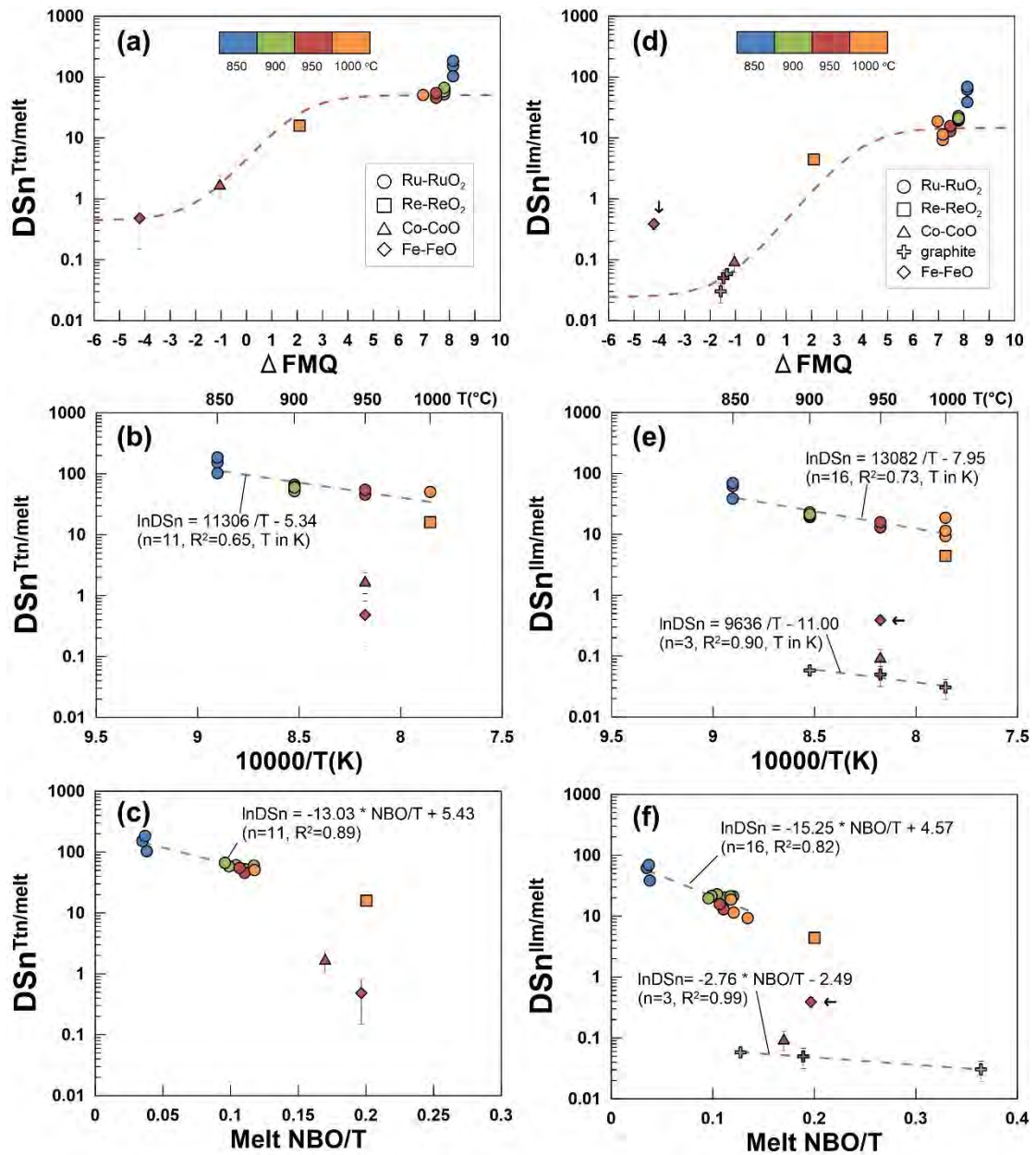


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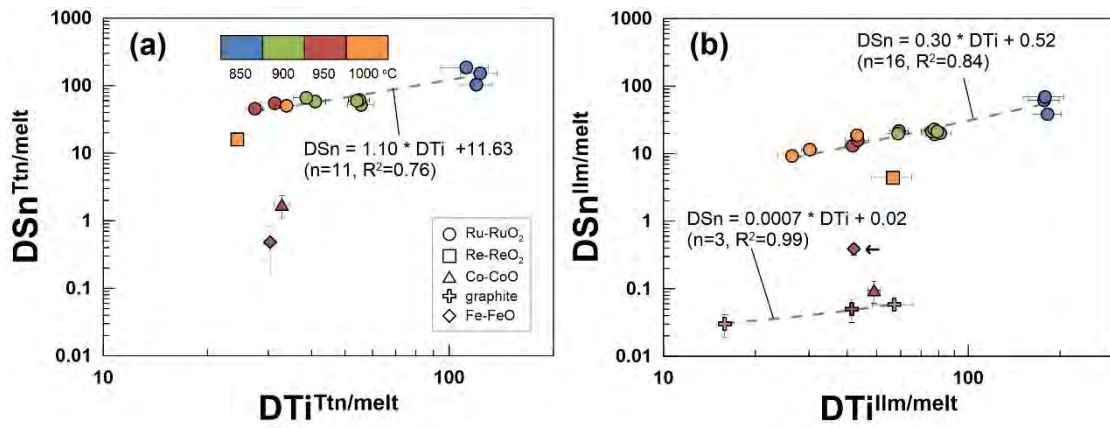
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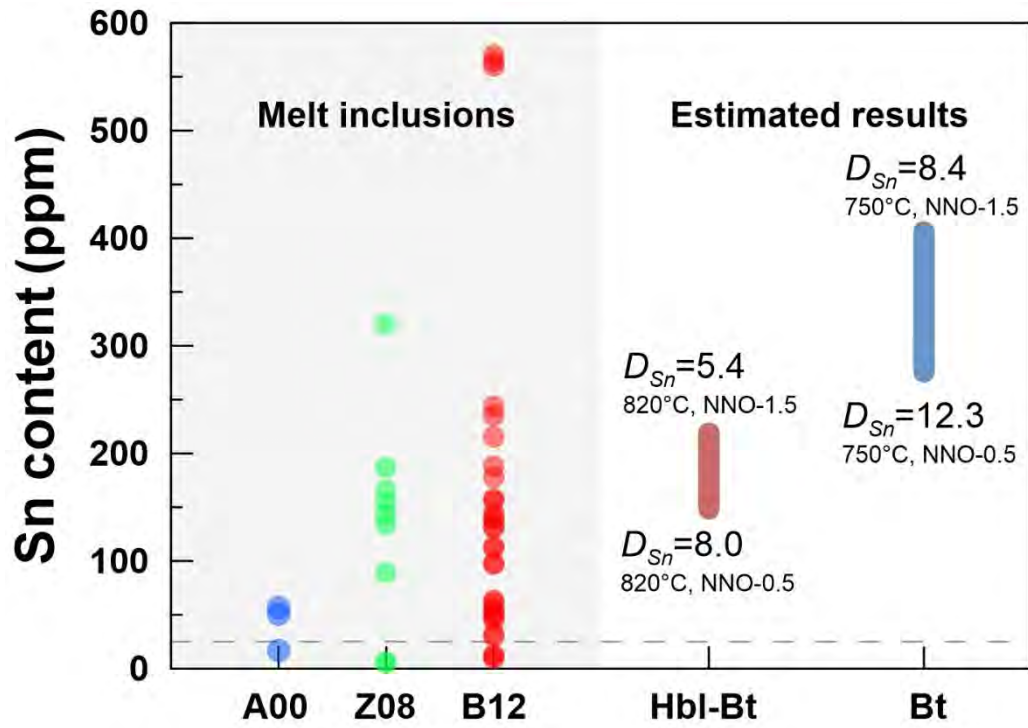
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847 **Fig. 8**



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