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CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS FOR

COPPER SULPHIDE ORE REFERENCE MATERIAL

OREAS 111

Summary Statistics for OREAS 111

Constituent	Certified Value	Absolute Standard Deviations					Relative Standard Deviations			5% window	
		1SD	2SD Low	2SD High	3SD Low	3SD High	1RSD	2RSD	3RSD	Low	High
SP Fusion ICP											
Ag (ppm)	<20	IND	IND	IND	IND	IND	IND	IND	IND	IND	IND
As (ppm)	217	20	176	257	156	278	9.40%	18.8%	28.2%	206	228
Cd (ppm)	14	1	12	16	11	18	7.24%	14.5%	21.7%	14	15
Co (ppm	457	9	438	476	429	485	2.05%	4.11%	6.16%	434	480
Cu (wt.%)	2.30	0.12	2.07	2.53	1.95	2.65	5.01%	10.0%	15.0%	2.18	2.41
Fe (wt.%)	34.1	3.4	27.3	40.8	23.9	44.2	9.92%	19.8%	29.8%	32.4	35.8
Pb (ppm)	375	12	350	399	338	412	3.26%	6.52%	9.79%	356	394
Sb (ppm)	19	3	13	25	10	28	15.2%	30.5%	45.7%	18	20
Zn (ppm)	4099	249	3600	4598	3350	4847	6.09%	12.2%	18.3%	3894	4304
4-Acid ICP											
Ag (ppm)	10.1	0.9	8.3	11.8	7.5	12.7	8.58%	17.2%	25.7%	9.6	10.6
As (ppm)	215	15	185	245	170	260	6.94%	13.9%	20.8%	204	226
Cd (ppm)	12.0	1.7	8.6	15.5	6.8	17.2	14.4%	28.9%	43.3%	11.4	12.6
Co (ppm)	452	20	412	492	391	512	4.44%	8.88%	13.3%	429	474
Cu (wt.%)	2.37	0.11	2.16	2.58	2.06	2.69	4.43%	8.86%	13.3%	2.25	2.49
Fe (wt.%)	35.2	2.0	31.2	39.2	29.3	41.2	5.66%	11.3%	17.0%	33.5	37.0
Pb (ppm)	377	26	324	430	298	456	7.01%	14.0%	21.0%	358	396
Sb (ppm)	18	3	12	23	10	26	15.2%	30.5%	45.7%	17	19
Zn (ppm)	4196	228	3741	4651	3513	4878	5.42%	10.8%	16.3%	3986	4405

Note - intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding; IND - indeterminate

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INTRODUCTION

OREAS reference materials (RM) are intended to provide a low cost method of evaluating and improving the quality of precious and base metal analysis of geological samples. To the explorationist, they provide an important control in analytical data sets related to exploration from the grass roots level through to resource definition. To the analyst, they provide an effective means of calibrating analytical equipment, assessing new techniques and routinely monitoring in-house procedures.

OREAS 111 is a medium grade Cu ore certified reference material (CRM) prepared from material sourced from the Tritton Copper Project near Nyngan, New South Wales. The deposit consists of sulphide ore bodies (massive pyrite and chalcopyrite breccias) underlying oxide ores. OREAS 111 has a pigeon pair with OREAS 111b which is ~4% higher in Cu grade. OREAS 111 is one of a suite of five CRMs and was prepared from massive pyrite ore material. All five CRMs have been characterised for Ag, As, Cd, Co, Cu, Fe, Pb, Sb and Zn by 4-acid ICP and sodium peroxide fusion ICP methods.

COMMINUTION AND HOMOGENISATION PROCEDURES

The material was prepared in the following manner:

- a) *drying at 65⁰ C to constant mass;*
- b) *crushing and screening;*
- c) *multi-stage milling to 100% minus 35 microns;*
- d) *final homogenisation;*
- e) *packaging into 10g units sealed under nitrogen in laminated foil pouches.*

ANALYSIS OF OREAS 111

Ten commercial laboratories participated in the analytical program to characterise Ag, As, Cd, Co, Cu, Fe, Pb, Sb and Zn. Their results together with uncorrected means, medians, one sigma standard deviations, relative standard deviations and percent deviation of lab means from the corrected mean of means (PDM[3]) are presented in Tables A2 and A19 (Appendix). The parameter PDM[3] is a measure of laboratory accuracy while the relative standard deviation is an effective measure of analytical precision where homogeneity of the test material has been confirmed.

The analytical methods employed by each laboratory are explained, together with other abbreviations used, in Table A1 (Appendix).

Each participating laboratory received 5 samples of 30g each. Each set of subsamples submitted to each laboratory was taken at regular intervals during packaging of the standard in order to maximise their representation. All ten laboratories reported 4-acid data for the requested elements while eight included sodium peroxide fusion results. Laboratories were instructed to assay samples as received.

STATISTICAL EVALUATION OF ANALYTICAL DATA FOR OREAS 111

Certified Value and Confidence Intervals

The certified value is the mean of means of accepted replicate values of accepted participating laboratories computed according to the formulae

$$\bar{x}_i = \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} x_{ij}$$

$$\ddot{x} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^{p} \bar{x}_i$$

where

x_{ij} *is the jth result reported by laboratory i;*

p is the number of participating laboratories;

n_i *is the number of results reported by laboratory i;*

$\bar{x}_i$ *is the mean for laboratory i;*

$\ddot{x}$ *is the mean of means.*

The confidence intervals were obtained by calculation of the variance of the consensus value (mean of means) and reference to Student's-*t* distribution with degrees of freedom (*p*-1).

$$\hat{V}(\ddot{x}) = \frac{1}{p(p-1)} \sum_{i=1}^{p} (\bar{x}_i - \ddot{x})^2$$

Confidence Interval = $\ddot{x} \pm t_{1-x/2}(p - 1)(\hat{V}(\ddot{x}))^{1/2}$

where

$t_{1-x/2}(p-1)$ *is the 1-x/2 fractile of the t-distribution with (p-1) degrees of freedom.*

The distribution of the values is assumed to be symmetrical about the mean in the calculation of the confidence interval.

The test for rejection of individual outliers from each laboratory data set was primarily based on *z* scores (rejected if $|z_i| > 2.5$) computed from the robust estimators of location and scale, *T* and *S*, respectively, according to the formulae:

$$S = 1.483 \, median_{j=1.....n} / x_j - median_{i=1.....n} (x_i) /$$

$$z_i = \frac{x_i - T}{S}$$

where

> *T is the median value in a data set;*
> *S is the median of all absolute deviations from the sample median multiplied by 1.483, a correction factor to make the estimator consistent with the usual parameter of a normal distribution.*

Table 1. Certified values and 95% confidence intervals for OREAS 111

Constituent	Certified Value	95% Confidence Interval	
		Low	High
Sodium Peroxide Fusion ICP			
Silver, Ag (ppm)	<20	IND	IND
Arsenic, As (ppm)	217	188	245
Cadmium, Cd (ppm)	14	12	17
Cobalt, Co (ppm)	457	436	478
Copper, Cu (wt.%)	2.30	2.21	2.39
Iron, Fe (wt.%)	34.1	31.2	36.9
Lead, Pb (ppm)	375	356	393
Antimony, Sb (ppm)	19	14	24
Zinc, Zn (ppm)	4099	3893	4304
4-Acid Digest ICP			
Silver, Ag (ppm)	10.1	9.6	10.6
Arsenic, As (ppm)	215	201	229
Cadmium, Cd (ppm)	12.0	10.7	13.3
Cobalt, Co (ppm)	452	437	467
Copper, Cu (wt.%)	2.37	2.30	2.44
Iron, Fe (wt.%)	35.2	33.8	36.6
Lead, Pb (ppm)	377	359	395
Antimony, Sb (ppm)	18	15	21
Zinc, Zn (ppm)	4196	4049	4342

Note - intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding; IND - indeterminate

The z-score test is used in combination with a second method of individual outlier detection that determines the percent deviation of the individual value from the median. Outliers in general are selected on the basis of z-scores > 2.5 and with percent deviations > 1.5%. In certain instances statistician's prerogative has been employed in discriminating outliers.

Each laboratory data set is tested for outlying status based on z-score discrimination and rejected if $|z_i| > 2.5$. After individual and lab data set outliers have been eliminated a non-iterative 3 standard deviation filter is applied, with those values lying outside this window also relegated to outlying status.

Individual outliers and, more rarely, laboratory means deemed to be outlying are shown left justified and in bold in the tabulated results (see Appendix) and have been omitted in the determination of certified values.

The magnitude of the confidence interval is inversely proportional to the number of participating laboratories and interlaboratory agreement. It is a measure of the reliability of the certified value, i.e. the narrower the confidence interval the greater the certainty in the certified value. A 95% confidence interval indicates a 95% probability that the interval includes the true value of the analyte under consideration.

Statement of Homogeneity
The standard deviation of each laboratory data set includes error due to both the imprecision of the analytical method employed and to possible inhomogeneity of the material analysed. The standard deviation of the pooled individual analyses of all participating laboratories includes error due to the imprecision of each analytical method, to possible inhomogeneity of the material analysed and, in particular, to deficiencies in accuracy of each analytical method.

In determining tolerance intervals that component of error attributable to measurement inaccuracy was eliminated by transformation of the individual results of each data set to a common mean (the uncorrected grand mean) according to the formula

$$x'_{ij} = x_{ij} - \overline{x}_i + \frac{\sum\limits_{i=1}^{p} \sum\limits_{j=1}^{n_i} x_{ij}}{\sum\limits_{i=1}^{p} n_i}$$

where

x_{ij} is the jth raw result reported by laboratory i;

x'_{ij} is the jth transformed result reported by laboratory i;

n_i is the number of results reported by laboratory i;

p is the number of participating laboratories;

$\overline{x}_i$ is the raw mean for laboratory i.

The homogeneity of each constituent was determined from tables of factors for two-sided tolerance limits for normal distributions (ISO 3207) in which

$$\textit{Lower limit is } \ddot{x} - k'_2(n,p,1-\alpha)s''_g$$
$$\textit{Upper limit is } \ddot{x} + k'_2(n,p,1-\alpha)s''_g$$

where

n is the number of results;

$1-\alpha$ is the confidence level;

p is the proportion of results expected within the tolerance limits;

k'_2 is the factor for two-sided tolerance limits (m, α unknown);

s''_g is the corrected grand standard deviation.

The meaning of these tolerance limits may be illustrated for Cu by 4-acid digest, where 99% of the time at least 95% of subsamples will have concentrations lying between 2.33 and 2.42 wt.%. Put more precisely, this means that if the same number of subsamples were taken and analysed in the same manner repeatedly, 99% of the tolerance intervals so constructed would cover at least 95% of the total population, and 1% of the tolerance intervals would cover less than 95% of the total population (IS0 Guide 35).

The corrected grand standard deviation, $s_g"$, used to compute the tolerance intervals is the weighted means of standard deviations of all data sets for a particular constituent according to the formula:

$$s''_g = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{p}\left(s_i\left(1-\frac{s_i}{s'_g}\right)\right)}{\sum_{i=1}^{p}\left(1-\frac{s_i}{s'_g}\right)}$$

where

$$1-\left(\frac{s_i}{2s'_g}\right) \text{ is the weighting factor for laboratory } i \text{ ;}$$

s'_g *is the grand standard deviation computed from the transformed (i.e. means -*

adjusted) results

according to the formula

$$s'_g = \left[\frac{\sum_{i=j}^{p}\sum_{j=i}^{n_i}\left(x'_{ij}-\bar{x}'_i\right)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{p}n_i-1}\right]^{1/2}$$

where $\bar{x}'_i$ is the transformed mean for laboratorty i

Table 2. Certified values and tolerance intervals for OREAS 111.

Constituent	Certified Value	Tolerance Interval 1-α=0.99, ρ=0.95	
		Low	High
Sodium Peroxide Fusion ICP			
Silver, Ag (ppm)	<20	IND	IND
Arsenic, As (ppm)	217	208	225
Cadmium, Cd (ppm)	14	IND	IND
Cobalt, Co (ppm)	457	440	475
Copper, Cu (wt.%)	2.30	2.21	2.39
Iron, Fe (wt.%)	34.1	33.3	34.8
Lead, Pb (ppm)	375	351	398
Antimony, Sb (ppm)	19	16	22
Zinc, Zn (ppm)	4099	4040	4158
4-Acid Digest ICP			
Silver, Ag (ppm)	10.1	9.5	10.6
Arsenic, As (ppm)	215	202	228
Cadmium, Cd (ppm)	12.0	11.6	12.5
Cobalt, Co (ppm)	452	441	463
Copper, Cu (wt.%)	2.37	2.33	2.42
Iron, Fe (wt.%)	35.2	34.2	36.3
Lead, Pb (ppm)	377	364	390
Antimony, Sb (ppm)	18	17	19
Zinc, Zn (ppm)	4196	4065	4326

Note - intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding; IND - indeterminate

The weighting factors were applied to compensate for the considerable variation in analytical precision amongst participating laboratories. Hence, weighting factors for each data set have been constructed so as to be inversely proportional to the standard deviation

of that data set. It should be noted that estimates of tolerance by this method are considered conservative as a significant proportion of the observed variance, even in those laboratories exhibiting the best analytical precision, can presumably be attributed to measurement error.

Performance Gates

Performance gates provide an indication of a level of performance that might reasonably be expected from a laboratory being monitored by this CRM in a QA/QC program. They take into account errors attributable to measurement and CRM variability. For an effective CRM the contribution of the latter should be negligible in comparison to measurement errors. Sources of measurement error include inter-lab bias, analytical precision (repeatability) and inter-batch bias (reproducibility).

Two methods have been employed to calculate performance gates. The first method uses the same filtered data set used to determine the certified value, i.e. after removal of all individual, lab dataset (batch) and 3SD outliers. These outliers can only be removed after the absolute homogeneity of the CRM has been independently established, i.e. the outliers must be confidently deemed to be analytical rather than arising from inhomogeneity of the CRM. The standard deviation is then calculated for each analyte from the pooled individual analyses generated from the certification program. Table 3 shows performance gates calculated for two and three standard deviations. As a guide these intervals may be regarded as warning or rejection for multiple 2SD outliers, or rejection for individual 3SD outliers in QC monitoring, although their precise application should be at the discretion of the QC manager concerned. A second method utilises a 5% window calculated directly from the certified value. Standard deviation is also shown in relative percent for one, two and three relative standard deviations (1RSD, 2RSD and 3RSD) to facilitate an appreciation of the magnitude of these numbers and a comparison with the 5% window. Caution should be exercised when concentration levels approach lower limits of detection of the analytical methods employed as performance gates calculated from standard deviations tend to be excessively wide whereas those determined by the 5% method are too narrow.

Table 3. Performance Gates for OREAS 111

Constituent	Certified Value	Absolute Standard Deviations					Relative Standard Deviations			5% window	
		1SD	2SD Low	2SD High	3SD Low	3SD High	1RSD	2RSD	3RSD	Low	High
SP Fusion ICP											
Ag (ppm)	<20	IND	IND	IND	IND	IND	IND	IND	IND	IND	IND
As (ppm)	217	20	176	257	156	278	9.40%	18.8%	28.2%	206	228
Cd (ppm)	14	1	12	16	11	18	7.24%	14.5%	21.7%	14	15
Co (ppm	457	9	438	476	429	485	2.05%	4.11%	6.16%	434	480
Cu (wt.%)	2.30	0.12	2.07	2.53	1.95	2.65	5.01%	10.0%	15.0%	2.18	2.41
Fe (wt.%)	34.1	3.4	27.3	40.8	23.9	44.2	9.92%	19.8%	29.8%	32.4	35.8
Pb (ppm)	375	12	350	399	338	412	3.26%	6.52%	9.79%	356	394
Sb (ppm)	19	3	13	25	10	28	15.2%	30.5%	45.7%	18	20
Zn (ppm)	4099	249	3600	4598	3350	4847	6.09%	12.2%	18.3%	3894	4304
4-Acid ICP											
Ag (ppm)	10.1	0.9	8.3	11.8	7.5	12.7	8.58%	17.2%	25.7%	9.6	10.6
As (ppm)	215	15	185	245	170	260	6.94%	13.9%	20.8%	204	226
Cd (ppm)	12.0	1.7	8.6	15.5	6.8	17.2	14.4%	28.9%	43.3%	11.4	12.6
Co (ppm	452	20	412	492	391	512	4.44%	8.88%	13.3%	429	474
Cu (wt.%)	2.37	0.11	2.16	2.58	2.06	2.69	4.43%	8.86%	13.3%	2.25	2.49
Fe (wt.%)	35.2	2.0	31.2	39.2	29.3	41.2	5.66%	11.3%	17.0%	33.5	37.0
Pb (ppm)	377	26	324	430	298	456	7.01%	14.0%	21.0%	358	396
Sb (ppm)	18	3	12	23	10	26	15.2%	30.5%	45.7%	17	19
Zn (ppm)	4196	228	3741	4651	3513	4878	5.42%	10.8%	16.3%	3986	4405

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OREAS 111 available in 10g units sealed under a nitrogen environment in laminated foil pouches.

INTENDED USE

OREAS 111 is a reference material intended for the following:

i)   for the monitoring of laboratory performance in the analysis of Ag, As, Cd, Co, Cu, Fe, Pb, Sb and Zn in geological samples;
ii) for the calibration of instruments used in the determination of the concentration of Ag, As, Cd, Co, Cu, Fe, Pb, Sb and Zn;
iii) for the verification of analytical methods for Ag, As, Cd, Co, Cu, Fe, Pb, Sb and Zn.

STABILITY AND STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS

OREAS 111 is a reference material made from medium grade copper sulphide ore from the Tritton Copper Mine. In its unopened state in the nitrogen-purged laminated foil pouches and under normal conditions of storage it has a shelf life beyond five years.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CORRECT USE OF THE REFERENCE MATERIAL

The certified values for OREAS 111 refer to the concentration level of Ag, As, Cd, Co, Cu, Fe, Pb, Sb and Zn in its packaged state. The CRM should not be dried prior to weighing and analysis.

LEGAL NOTICE

Ore Research & Exploration Pty Ltd has prepared and statistically evaluated the property values of this reference material to the best of its ability. The Purchaser by receipt hereof releases and indemnifies Ore Research & Exploration Pty Ltd from and against all liability and costs arising from the use of this material and information.

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REFERENCES

ISO Guide 35 (2006), Certification of reference materials - General and statistical principals.

ISO Guide 3207 (1975), Statistical interpretation of data - Determination of a statistical tolerance interval.

APPENDIX

Analytical Data for OREAS 111

Table A1. Explanation of abbreviations used in Tables A2 – A11.

Abbreviation	Explanation
Std.Dev.	one standard deviation
Rel.Std.Dev.	one relative standard deviation (%)
PDM[3]	percent deviation of lab mean from corrected mean of means
NR	not reported
4A	four acid digest (HF-HNO$_3$-HClO$_4$-HCl)
MAR	modified aqua regia digest
PF	sodium peroxide fusion
AAS	atomic absorption spectrometry
OES	inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry
MS	inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry

Table A2. Fusion results for Ag in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A PF*OES	Lab B PF*MS	Lab C PF*MS	Lab D PF*MS	Lab E -	Lab F -	Lab G -	Lab H -	Lab I PF*OES	Lab J -
1	<10	10.0	9.0	14.0	NR	NR	NR	NR	25.0	NR
2	<10	10.0	10.0	14.0	NR	NR	NR	NR	23.0	NR
3	<10	10.0	9.0	16.0	NR	NR	NR	NR	<20	NR
4	<10	5.0	10.0	14.0	NR	NR	NR	NR	22.0	NR
5	<10	5.0	9.0	15.0	NR	NR	NR	NR	21.0	NR
Mean		8.0	9.4	14.6					22.8	
Median		10.0	9.0	14.0					22.5	
Std.Dev.		2.7	0.5	0.9					1.7	
Rel.Std.Dev.		34.2%	5.83%	6.13%					7.51%	
PDM[3]		-41.6%	-31.3%	6.67%					66.2%	

Table A3. Fusion results for As in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A PF*OES	Lab B PF*MS	Lab C PF*MS	Lab D PF*MS	Lab E -	Lab F -	Lab G PF*OES	Lab H -	Lab I PF*OES	Lab J -
1	**214**	235	214	240	NR	NR	200	NR	123	NR
2	188	240	215	240	NR	NR	200	NR	113	NR
3	190	240	219	250	NR	NR	200	NR	<100	NR
4	**277**	250	213	**280**	NR	NR	200	NR	<100	NR
5	190	230	215	230	NR	NR	200	NR	105	NR
Mean	212	239	215	248			200		**114**	
Median	190	240	215	240			200		113	
Std.Dev.	38	7	2	19			0		9	
Rel.Std.Dev.	17.9%	3.10%	1.06%	7.76%			0.00%		7.93%	
PDM[3]	-2.26%	10.3%	-0.70%	14.4%			-7.71%		-47.5%	

Table A4. Fusion results for Cd in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A	Lab B	Lab C	Lab D	Lab E	Lab F	Lab G	Lab H	Lab I	Lab J
	PF*OES	PF*MS	PF*MS	PF*MS	-	-	-	-	PF*OES	-
1	14.0	10.0	14.0	**18.2**	NR	NR	NR	NR	<50	NR
2	14.0	10.0	13.0	17.1	NR	NR	NR	NR	<50	NR
3	14.0	10.0	14.0	14.9	NR	NR	NR	NR	<50	NR
4	14.0	<10	14.0	15.1	NR	NR	NR	NR	<50	NR
5	13.0	<10	14.0	15.4	NR	NR	NR	NR	<50	NR
Mean	13.8	**10.0**	13.8	16.1						
Median	14.0	10.0	14.0	15.4						
Std.Dev.	0.4	0.0	0.4	1.4						
Rel.Std.Dev.	3.24%	0.00%	3.24%	8.94%						
PDM[3]	-4.22%	-30.6%	-4.22%	12.0%						

Table A5. Fusion results for Co in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A	Lab B	Lab C	Lab D	Lab E	Lab F	Lab G	Lab H	Lab I	Lab J
	PF*OES	PF*OES	NR	PF*MS	-	-	PF*OES	-	PF*OES	-
1	443	480	NR	465	NR	NR	460	NR	NR	NR
2	448	520	NR	450	NR	NR	460	NR	NR	NR
3	450	500	NR	470	NR	NR	450	NR	NR	NR
4	447	520	NR	465	NR	NR	460	NR	NR	NR
5	453	500	NR	476	NR	NR	460	NR	NR	NR
Mean	448	**504**		465			458			
Median	448	500		465			460			
Std.Dev.	4	17		10			4			
Rel.Std.Dev.	0.83%	3.32%		2.07%			0.98%			
PDM[3]	-1.95%	10.3%		1.76%			0.19%			

Table A6. Fusion results for Cu in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in wt.%).

Replicate No.	Lab A	Lab B	Lab C	Lab D	Lab E	Lab F	Lab G	Lab H	Lab I	Lab J
	PF*OES	PF*OES	PF*OES	PF*OES	PF*OES	PF*OES	PF*OES	-	PF*OES	-
1	2.09	2.46	2.42	2.25	2.39	2.24	2.26	NR	2.37	NR
2	2.18	2.46	2.41	2.28	2.20	2.22	2.32	NR	2.24	NR
3	2.19	2.41	2.47	2.31	2.30	2.18	2.28	NR	2.30	NR
4	2.14	2.43	2.46	2.44	2.24	2.10	2.32	NR	2.27	NR
5	2.06	2.47	2.41	**2.53**	2.34	2.19	2.30	NR	**2.14**	NR
Mean	2.13	2.45	2.43	2.36	2.29	2.19	2.30		2.26	
Median	2.14	2.46	2.42	2.31	2.30	2.19	2.30		2.27	
Std.Dev.	0.06	0.03	0.03	0.12	0.08	0.05	0.03		0.08	
Rel.Std.Dev.	2.64%	1.03%	1.23%	5.02%	3.31%	2.45%	1.14%		3.64%	
PDM[3]	-7.30%	6.35%	5.81%	2.70%	-0.26%	-4.96%	-0.17%		-1.63%	

Table A7. Fusion results for Fe in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in wt.%).

Replicate No.	Lab A PF*OES	Lab B PF*OES	Lab C PF*OES	Lab D PF*OES	Lab E PF*OES	Lab F PF*OES	Lab G PF*OES	Lab H -	Lab I PF*OES	Lab J -
1	34.1	**36.0**	38.1	38.5	32.1	**32.7**	33.4	NR	29.7	NR
2	34.0	37.0	37.9	36.3	31.1	31.6	33.6	NR	29.2	NR
3	33.5	37.1	37.6	36.9	31.4	31.2	32.8	NR	29.8	NR
4	33.8	37.5	37.6	39.9	31.3	31.4	33.2	NR	28.2	NR
5	33.6	37.0	37.2	41.4	32.2	31.4	33.3	NR	27.9	NR
Mean	33.8	36.9	37.7	38.6	31.6	31.7	33.3		28.9	
Median	33.8	37.0	37.6	38.5	31.4	31.4	33.3		29.2	
Std.Dev.	0.3	0.6	0.3	2.1	0.5	0.6	0.3		0.9	
Rel.Std.Dev.	0.75%	1.50%	0.86%	5.45%	1.57%	1.89%	0.89%		2.97%	
PDM[3]	-0.76%	8.40%	10.7%	13.3%	-7.14%	-7.05%	-2.35%		-15.0%	

Table A8. Fusion results for Pb in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A PF*OES	Lab B PF*MS	Lab C PF*MS	Lab D PF*MS	Lab E -	Lab F -	Lab G PF*OES	Lab H -	Lab I PF*OES	Lab J -
1	369	370	383	383	NR	NR	300	NR	NR	NR
2	366	370	375	391	NR	NR	300	NR	NR	NR
3	358	370	369	383	NR	NR	200	NR	NR	NR
4	362	360	**419**	389	NR	NR	300	NR	NR	NR
5	371	360	388	402	NR	NR	300	NR	NR	NR
Mean	365	366	387	390			**280**			
Median	366	370	383	389			300			
Std.Dev.	5	5	19	8			45			
Rel.Std.Dev.	1.44%	1.50%	5.02%	2.00%			16.0%			
PDM[3]	-2.58%	-2.37%	3.18%	3.92%			-25.3%			

Table A9. Fusion results for Sb in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A PF*OES	Lab B PF*MS	Lab C PF*MS	Lab D PF*MS	Lab E -	Lab F -	Lab G -	Lab H -	Lab I PF*OES	Lab J -
1	16	20	19	21	NR	NR	NR	NR	110	NR
2	15	20	18	23	NR	NR	NR	NR	107	NR
3	15	20	18	22	NR	NR	NR	NR	59	NR
4	14	20	19	24	NR	NR	NR	NR	91	NR
5	14	20	19	23	NR	NR	NR	NR	141	NR
Mean	15	20	19	22					**102**	
Median	15	20	19	23					107	
Std.Dev.	1	0	1	1					30	
Rel.Std.Dev.	5.65%	0.00%	2.68%	3.66%					29.4%	
PDM[3]	-22.1%	5.26%	-1.26%	18.1%					435%	

Table A10. Fusion results for Zn in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A PF*OES	Lab B PF*OES	Lab C PF*OES	Lab D PF*OES	Lab E -	Lab F PF*OES	Lab G PF*OES	Lab H -	Lab I PF*OES	Lab J -
1	4100	4340	4424	4290	4000	4300	4000	NR	3756	NR
2	4100	4340	4416	3960	3800	4200	4000	NR	3737	NR
3	4100	4340	4445	3930	3900	4100	4000	NR	3589	NR
4	4100	4420	4417	4290	3900	4100	4000	NR	3563	NR
5	4100	4320	4395	4470	4000	4100	4000	NR	3605	NR
Mean	4100	4352	4419	4188	3920	4160	4000		3650	
Median	4100	4340	4417	4290	3900	4100	4000		3605	
Std.Dev.	0	39	18	234	84	89	0		90	
Rel.Std.Dev.	0.00%	0.90%	0.41%	5.59%	2.13%	2.15%	0.00%		2.46%	
PDM[3]	0.03%	6.18%	7.83%	2.18%	-4.36%	1.50%	-2.41%		-10.9%	

Table A11. 4-acid results for Ag in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A 4A*MS	Lab B 4A*MS	Lab C 4A*MS	Lab D 4A*OES	Lab E 4A*OES	Lab F 4A*OES	Lab G 4A*OES	Lab H 4A*OES	Lab I MAR*OES	Lab J 4A*OES
1	10.0	11.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	11.0	8.2	9.5	10.0	9.7
2	10.0	10.0	10.0	11.0	8.0	11.0	8.9	9.3	10.9	9.4
3	10.0	10.5	10.0	12.0	8.0	9.0	8.3	9.5	10.5	9.6
4	10.0	10.5	10.0	12.0	9.0	10.0	7.7	9.4	9.1	10.0
5	10.0	10.5	10.0	12.0	11.0	9.0	8.1	9.4	10.3	9.7
Mean	10.0	10.5	10.0	11.4	9.2	10.0	8.2	9.4	10.1	9.7
Median	10.0	10.5	10.0	12.0	9.0	10.0	8.2	9.4	10.3	9.7
Std.Dev.	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.9	1.3	1.0	0.4	0.1	0.7	0.2
Rel.Std.Dev.	0.00%	3.37%	0.00%	7.85%	14.2%	10.0%	5.26%	0.89%	6.74%	2.40%
PDM[3]	-0.68%	4.28%	-0.68%	13.2%	-8.63%	-0.68%	-18.2%	-6.44%	0.67%	-3.70%

Table A12. 4-acid results for As in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A 4A*MS	Lab B 4A*MS	Lab C 4A*MS	Lab D 4A*OES	Lab E 4A*OES	Lab F 4A*OES	Lab G 4A*OES	Lab H 4A*OES	Lab I MAR*OES	Lab J 4A*OES
1	160	240	238	NR	<200	190	196	204	214	214
2	170	230	232	NR	<200	220	228	201	207	208
3	150	230	236	NR	<200	200	196	200	221	210
4	170	240	222	NR	<200	220	192	204	205	218
5	160	230	238	NR	<200	220	201	208	212	211
Mean	162	234	233			210	203	203	212	212
Median	160	230	236			220	196	204	212	211
Std.Dev.	8	5	7			14	15	3	6	4
Rel.Std.Dev.	5.16%	2.34%	2.88%			6.73%	7.18%	1.54%	2.97%	1.94%
PDM[3]	-24.6%	8.93%	8.56%			-2.24%	-5.68%	-5.31%	-1.40%	-1.21%

Table A13. 4-acid results for Cd in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A 4A*MS	Lab B 4A*MS	Lab C 4A*MS	Lab D 4A*OES	Lab E 4A*OES	Lab F 4A*OES	Lab G 4A*OES	Lab H 4A*OES	Lab I MAR*OES	Lab J 4A*OES
1	10.0	13.5	15.0	12.3	10.0	10.0	11.2	13.0	13.7	11.0
2	10.0	13.0	14.0	13.9	10.0	10.0	11.5	13.0	13.7	11.0
3	10.0	13.5	15.0	13.5	10.0	10.0	11.4	13.0	14.0	11.1
4	10.0	13.0	15.0	12.9	10.0	**20.0**	11.0	13.0	13.6	10.9
5	10.0	13.0	15.0	13.8	10.0	10.0	10.9	13.0	13.9	**11.6**
Mean	10.0	13.2	14.8	13.3	10.0	12.0	11.2	13.0	13.8	11.1
Median	10.0	13.0	15.0	13.5	10.0	10.0	11.2	13.0	13.7	11.0
Std.Dev.	0.0	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.0	4.5	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.3
Rel.Std.Dev.	0.00%	2.07%	3.02%	5.06%	0.00%	37.3%	2.28%	0.00%	1.21%	2.46%
PDM[3]	-16.8%	9.77%	23.1%	10.4%	-16.8%	-0.21%	-6.86%	8.10%	14.6%	-7.57%

Table A14. 4-acid results for Co in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A 4A*MS	Lab B 4A*OES	Lab C 4A*MS	Lab D 4A*OES	Lab E 4A*OES	Lab F 4A*OES	Lab G 4A*OES	Lab H 4A*OES	Lab I MAR*OES	Lab J 4A*OES
1	490	505	499	**407**	450	440	438	451	463	458
2	480	495	504	449	450	460	439	440	463	441
3	500	500	505	453	460	440	422	444	**474**	445
4	480	510	500	424	440	480	406	439	**472**	459
5	480	500	511	446	450	440	412	445	465	453
Mean	486	**502**	**504**	436	450	452	423	444	467	451
Median	480	500	504	446	450	440	422	444	465	453
Std.Dev.	9	6	5	20	7	18	15	5	5	8
Rel.Std.Dev.	1.84%	1.14%	0.95%	4.51%	1.57%	3.96%	3.53%	1.07%	1.12%	1.77%
PDM[3]	7.61%	11.2%	11.5%	-3.51%	-0.36%	0.08%	-6.25%	-1.74%	3.49%	-0.09%

Table A15. 4-acid results for Cu in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in wt.%).

Replicate No.	Lab A 4A*OES	Lab B 4A*OES	Lab C 4A*OES	Lab D 4A*AAS	Lab E 4A*OES	Lab F 4A*OES	Lab G 4A*OES	Lab H 4A*OES	Lab I MAR*OES	Lab J 4A*OES
1	2.30	2.43	2.52	2.25	2.38	2.42	**2.27**	2.25	2.40	2.31
2	2.26	2.40	2.53	2.26	2.37	2.51	2.40	2.22	2.43	**2.21**
3	2.36	2.44	2.51	2.24	2.42	2.45	2.37	2.22	2.48	**2.24**
4	2.44	2.45	2.54	2.22	2.33	2.61	2.38	2.19	2.44	2.31
5	2.30	2.44	2.57	2.22	2.37	2.40	2.36	2.23	2.42	2.31
Mean	2.33	2.43	2.53	2.24	2.37	2.48	2.36	2.22	2.43	2.27
Median	2.30	2.44	2.53	2.24	2.37	2.45	2.37	2.22	2.43	2.31
Std.Dev.	0.07	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.08	0.05	0.02	0.03	0.05
Rel.Std.Dev.	3.01%	0.79%	0.94%	0.80%	1.40%	3.42%	2.13%	0.98%	1.25%	2.16%
PDM[3]	-1.72%	2.49%	6.74%	-5.68%	-0.02%	4.43%	-0.71%	-6.36%	2.55%	-4.13%

Table A16. 4-acid results for Fe in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in wt.%).

Replicate No.	Lab A 4A*MS	Lab B 4A*OES	Lab C 4A*OES	Lab D 4A*OES	Lab E 4A*OES	Lab F 4A*AAS	Lab G 4A*OES	Lab H 4A*OES	Lab I MAR*OES	Lab J 4A*OES
1	35.0	37.5	38.1	**33.0**	34.9	33.7	33.0	34.3	36.2	34.3
2	34.4	36.7	38.1	37.3	34.7	34.9	32.7	33.8	36.3	33.4
3	35.7	37.2	37.5	**41.0**	35.5	34.1	31.3	34.1	37.3	33.4
4	35.9	36.9	37.9	36.2	34.3	36.0	30.4	34.3	37.0	34.8
5	33.1	36.9	38.7	37.7	34.4	32.7	30.4	34.3	36.2	34.0
Mean	34.8	37.0	38.1	37.0	34.7	34.3	31.6	34.2	36.6	34.0
Median	35.0	36.9	38.1	37.3	34.7	34.1	31.3	34.3	36.3	34.0
Std.Dev.	1.1	0.3	0.5	2.9	0.5	1.2	1.2	0.2	0.5	0.6
Rel.Std.Dev.	3.25%	0.85%	1.20%	7.78%	1.36%	3.63%	3.92%	0.64%	1.38%	1.71%
PDM[3]	-1.17%	5.13%	8.05%	5.13%	-1.38%	-2.71%	-10.4%	-3.05%	3.89%	-3.54%

Table A17. 4-acid results for Pb in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A 4A*MS	Lab B 4A*MS	Lab C 4A*MS	Lab D 4A*OES	Lab E 4A*OES	Lab F 4A*OES	Lab G 4A*OES	Lab H 4A*OES	Lab I MAR*OES	Lab J 4A*OES
1	370	368	379	**339**	400	**470**	338	403	410	351
2	370	365	379	386	400	420	337	395	400	344
3	380	371	376	381	400	380	323	401	410	346
4	370	375	**392**	366	400	410	312	395	400	359
5	350	368	**391**	392	400	370	315	401	400	351
Mean	368	369	383	373	400	410	325	399	404	350
Median	370	368	379	381	400	410	323	401	400	351
Std.Dev.	11	4	8	21	0	39	12	4	5	6
Rel.Std.Dev.	2.98%	1.02%	1.96%	5.69%	0.00%	9.60%	3.72%	0.94%	1.36%	1.67%
PDM[3]	-2.38%	-2.01%	1.70%	-1.11%	6.11%	8.76%	-13.8%	5.84%	7.17%	-7.12%

Table A18. 4-acid results for Sb in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A 4A*MS	Lab B 4A*MS	Lab C 4A*MS	Lab D 4A*OES	Lab E 4A*OES	Lab F 4A*OES	Lab G 4A*OES	Lab H 4A*OES	Lab I MAR*OES	Lab J 4A*OES
1	30.0	20.6	17.6	NR	<100	<50	17.0	20.0	<50	17.6
2	30.0	**19.0**	17.5	NR	<100	<50	17.0	20.0	<50	16.5
3	30.0	20.0	17.8	NR	<100	<50	**9.0**	21.0	<50	16.2
4	30.0	20.0	18.0	NR	<100	<50	12.0	21.0	<50	15.0
5	30.0	20.2	**18.8**	NR	<100	<50	12.0	22.0	<50	15.7
Mean	**30.0**	20.0	17.9				13.4	20.8		16.2
Median	30.0	20.0	17.8				12.0	21.0		16.2
Std.Dev.	0.0	0.6	0.5				3.5	0.8		1.0
Rel.Std.Dev.	0.00%	2.96%	2.89%				26.2%	4.02%		6.12%
PDM[3]	67.7%	11.6%	0.30%				-25.1%	16.3%		-9.40%

Table A19. 4-acid results for Zn in OREAS 111 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A 4A*OES	Lab B 4A*OES	Lab C 4A*OES	Lab D 4A*OES	Lab E 4A*OES	Lab F 4A*OES	Lab G 4A*OES	Lab H 4A*OES	Lab I MAR*OES	Lab J 4A*OES
1	4490	4410	4508	3620	4100	4050	4030	4200	4190	3960
2	4360	4300	4487	4190	4100	4210	3980	4130	4150	3927
3	4530	4420	**4392**	4620	4200	4130	3860	4140	4250	3839
4	4530	4350	4463	4140	4100	4360	3740	4190	4190	3994
5	**4310**	4270	4540	4350	4100	4150	3770	4130	4130	3927
Mean	4444	4350	4478	4184	4120	4180	3876	4158	4182	3930
Median	4490	4350	4487	4190	4100	4150	3860	4140	4190	3927
Std.Dev.	102	66	56	367	45	116	127	34	46	58
Rel.Std.Dev.	2.30%	1.52%	1.25%	8.76%	1.09%	2.77%	3.28%	0.82%	1.10%	1.47%
PDM[3]	5.92%	3.68%	6.73%	-0.28%	-1.80%	-0.37%	-7.62%	-0.90%	-0.33%	-6.34%