

**A REE-in-Garnet-Clinopyroxene Thermobarometer for Eclogites, Granulites and
Garnet Peridotites**

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1 **Abstract**

2 A REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer for eclogites, granulites, and garnet
3 peridotites has been developed on the basis of the temperature, pressure and mineral composition
4 dependent partitioning of rare earth elements (REEs) between garnet and clinopyroxene. This
5 new thermobarometer is derived from the garnet-clinopyroxene REE partitioning model of Sun
6 and Liang (2014) that was calibrated against experimentally determined garnet-melt and
7 clinopyroxene-melt partitioning data. It makes use of a group of trace elements that have similar
8 geochemical behaviors at magmatic and subsolidus conditions, and allows one to invert
9 temperature and pressure simultaneously using a least squares method. Application of the REE-
10 in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer to REE partitioning data from laboratory experiments
11 and field samples (quartz-bearing, graphite-bearing, and diamond-bearing granulites and eclogites;
12 and well-equilibrated mantle eclogite xenoliths) published in the literature validates its reliability
13 at both magmatic and subsolidus conditions. Application of the new thermobarometer to eclogites,
14 garnet granulites and peridotites from various tectonic settings reveals an intriguing observation:
15 temperatures derived from the REE-based thermobarometer are consistently higher than those
16 derived from the widely used Fe-Mg thermometer of Krogh (1988) for samples that experienced
17 cooling, but systematically lower than temperatures derived from the Fe-Mg thermometer for
18 samples from thermally perturbed tectonic settings. The temperature discrepancies are likely due
19 to the relative differences in diffusion rates between trivalent REEs and divalent Fe-Mg in garnet
20 and clinopyroxene. Temperatures derived from the REE-based thermometer are closely related to
21 closure temperatures for samples that experienced cooling, but are likely equilibrium or apparent
22 re-equilibration temperatures at an early stage of heating for samples from thermally perturbed
23 tectonic environments. The REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer can shed new light on
24 thermal histories of mafic and ultramafic rocks.

25 **Keywords:** thermobarometer; garnet; clinopyroxene; eclogite; granulite; garnet peridotite

1. Introduction

The exchange of Fe-Mg between garnet and clinopyroxene has been successfully calibrated as thermometers that can be used to determine equilibrium temperatures of eclogites, garnet peridotites, and garnet pyroxenites (e.g., Råheim and Green, 1974; Ellis and Green, 1979; Ganguly, 1979; Saxena, 1979; Powell, 1985; Krogh, 1988; Ai, 1994; Ravna, 2000; Nakamura, 2009). However, all these thermometers require independent estimates of pressures, which usually need additional phases to constrain (e.g., the garnet-orthopyroxene barometer; Brey et al., 2008). Since a significant fraction of mantle eclogites is bi-mineralic, a reliable garnet-clinopyroxene barometer is a prerequisite for a better constraint of their equilibrium pressures and temperatures. Attempts have been made to calibrate garnet-clinopyroxene barometers through thermodynamic analysis of experimental data (e.g., Brey et al., 1986; Mukhopadhyay, 1991; Simakov and Taylor, 2000; Simakov, 2008), yet these barometers are still not as reliable as the garnet-orthopyroxene barometers (see Fig. 2 in Nimis and Grütter, 2010). Hence, the equilibrium temperatures of bi-mineralic eclogites are often calculated using the garnet-clinopyroxene thermometers at an assumed pressure. Because the garnet-clinopyroxene thermometers are all pressure dependent, temperature estimations can differ by up to 150 °C if the assumed pressure is off by 2 GPa. This is illustrated in Fig. 1. Assuming that the eclogites approach chemical equilibrium at a temperature and pressure along the local geotherm, one can estimate the equilibrium pressure and temperature by coupling the local geotherm with the garnet-clinopyroxene thermometers (e.g., Griffin and O'Reilly, 2007). However, the pressure along the local geotherm derived from garnet peridotite xenoliths can vary by ± 1 GPa at a given temperature (Griffin et al., 2003). Thus, uncertainties in the temperature estimations are still significant.

Another important source of uncertainties in the garnet-clinopyroxene thermometers is the presence of Fe³⁺ in garnet and clinopyroxene. Given the reducing conditions imposed by graphite

1 capsules in phase equilibrium experiments, Fe^{3+} abundances in the minerals are likely very small
2 and thus total Fe is used to represent Fe^{2+} in the calibration of the garnet-clinopyroxene
3 thermometers. However, a significant amount of Fe^{3+} may be present in natural minerals. This
4 may result in large errors ($> 200^\circ\text{C}$) in temperature estimations using the garnet-clinopyroxene
5 Fe-Mg thermometers (e.g., Ravna and Paquin, 2003). Recently, Matjuschkin et al. (2014)
6 experimentally examined the Fe^{3+} effect on the Fe-Mg exchange thermometers at $1100 - 1400^\circ\text{C}$
7 and 5 GPa. Although they observed substantial amounts of Fe^{3+} in their experiments ($\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe} =$
8 $0.116 - 0.206$ in garnet), the temperatures calculated using the garnet-clinopyroxene thermometer
9 of Krogh (1988) are within 25°C of the experimental temperatures, except that for one
10 experiment conducted at 1400°C ($\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe} = 0.199$ in garnet). Consequently, these authors
11 suggested that the garnet-clinopyroxene Fe-Mg thermometers are insensitive to the presence of
12 Fe^{3+} , which contradicts the study of Ravna and Paquin (2003) on natural eclogite samples.
13 Clearly, detailed experimental and field studies are needed to further address the Fe^{3+} problem.

14 In this study, we present a new garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer that is based on the
15 exchange of rare earth elements (REEs) between garnet and clinopyroxene. The distribution of
16 trace elements between minerals depends on temperature, pressure, and mineral major element
17 compositions and can be calibrated as thermometers (e.g., Stosch, 1982; Seitz et al., 1999; Witt-
18 Eickschen and O'Neill, 2005; Lee et al., 2007; Liang et al., 2013; Sun and Liang, 2014). Based on
19 the temperature-dependent REE partitioning between orthopyroxene and clinopyroxene, Liang et
20 al. (2013) developed a REE-in-two-pyroxene thermometer by combining the clinopyroxene-melt
21 and orthopyroxene-melt REE partitioning models (Sun and Liang, 2012; Yao et al., 2012). This
22 thermometer treats REEs as a group in temperature calculation, which helps to reduce analytical
23 uncertainties. Through numerical simulations, Yao and Liang (2014) showed that the
24 temperatures calculated by the REE-in-two-pyroxene thermometer are the closure temperature of
25 REEs in cooling two-pyroxene systems. Because diffusion coefficients of REEs in pyroxenes are

1 about two to three orders of magnitude smaller than those of divalent cations (e.g., Ca²⁺, Mg²⁺,
2 Fe²⁺) in pyroxenes (Cherniak and Dimanov, 2010 and references therein), the REE-based
3 thermometers can record higher closure temperatures of mafic and ultramafic rocks that
4 experienced cooling.

5 We have recently developed a parameterized lattice strain model for REE partitioning
6 between garnet and clinopyroxene (Sun and Liang, 2014). The lattice strain parameters in the
7 models were calibrated by experimentally determined mineral-melt partitioning data. We showed
8 that REE partitioning between garnet and clinopyroxene is very sensitive to temperature and
9 pressure as well as mineral major element composition. Specifically, garnet-clinopyroxene REE
10 partition coefficients decrease by up to two orders of magnitude as temperature decreases from
11 1300 °C to 700 °C, whereas they increase by about one order of magnitude as pressure decreases
12 from 14 GPa to 2 GPa [see Figs. 4c-d in Sun and Liang (2014)]. Here we expand the idea of the
13 REE-in-two-pyroxene thermometer to garnet-clinopyroxene systems and develop a REE-in-
14 garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer using the garnet-clinopyroxene REE partitioning model in
15 Sun and Liang (2014). This new thermobarometer enables us to obtain the equilibrium or closure
16 temperature and pressure simultaneously by analyzing REEs and major elements in coexisting
17 garnet and clinopyroxene, and shed new light on thermal histories of mafic and ultramafic rocks.

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19 **2. Developing a REE-in-Garnet-Clinopyroxene Thermobarometer**

20 **2.1. Theoretical basis**

21 In general, thermometers or barometers are based on the temperature- or pressure-sensitive
22 exchange of elements (or components) of interest between two coexisting minerals. The exchange
23 coefficient (or partition coefficient), D , can be described by the thermodynamic expression

$$24 \quad \ln D = \frac{\Delta S}{R} - \frac{\Delta H + P\Delta V}{RT} - \ln \gamma_R, \quad (1)$$

1 where ΔS , ΔH and ΔV are the changes of entropy, enthalpy and volume of the exchange reaction,
 2 respectively; R is the gas constant; T is the temperature; P is the pressure; and γ_R represents the
 3 ratio of the activity coefficients of the element (or component) in the two minerals. Eq. (1) can
 4 also be written in a general form as

$$5 \quad \ln D = A + \frac{B - f(P)}{T}, \quad (2)$$

6 where A and B are coefficients that depend on mineral major element compositions; $f(P)$ is a
 7 function of pressure. When the volume change of the exchange reaction is independent of
 8 pressure, $f(P)$ takes on the simple expression $C \times P$ in which C is a coefficient independent of
 9 pressure. From Eq. (2), we can obtain generalized equations for thermometers and/or barometers:

$$10 \quad T = \frac{B - C \times P}{\ln D - A}, \quad (3)$$

$$11 \quad P = -\frac{1}{C} [T(\ln D - A) - B]. \quad (4)$$

12 The temperature-, pressure-, and composition-dependent partitioning of trace elements
 13 between a pair of minerals also takes the simple form of Eq. (2) (e.g., Stosch, 1982; Seitz et al.,
 14 1999; Witt-Eickschen and O'Neill, 2005; Lee et al., 2007; Liang et al., 2013). Similar to Eq. (3a)
 15 in Liang et al. (2013), we rearrange Eq. (2) in a linear form for a group of geochemically similar
 16 elements, such as REEs,

$$17 \quad B_i = T(\ln D_i - A_i) + f(P), \quad (5)$$

18 where i is an element in the group. If the partitioning of a group of trace elements is sensitive to
 19 both temperature and pressure, we can use Eq. (5) to determine the temperature and pressure
 20 simultaneously. In a plot of $(\ln D_i - A_i)$ vs. B_i for REEs, Eq. (5) defines a line passing through all
 21 REEs in a well-equilibrated sample. The slope of this line is the equilibrium or closure
 22 temperature, and the intercept can be used to calculate the pressure.

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1 2.2. Garnet-clinopyroxene REE partitioning model

2 The exchange of a REE between garnet and clinopyroxene can be quantify by a
3 parameterized lattice strain model (Sun and Liang, 2014)

$$4 \quad D_{\text{REE}}^{\text{grt-cpx}} = \frac{D_0^{\text{grt}}}{D_0^{\text{cpx}}} \exp \left[-\frac{4\pi N_A E^{\text{grt}}}{RT} \left(\frac{r_0^{\text{grt}}}{2} (r_0^{\text{grt}} - r_{\text{REE}})^2 - \frac{1}{3} (r_0^{\text{grt}} - r_{\text{REE}})^3 \right) \right. \\ \left. + \frac{4\pi N_A E^{\text{cpx}}}{RT} \left(\frac{r_0^{\text{cpx}}}{2} (r_0^{\text{cpx}} - r_{\text{REE}})^2 - \frac{1}{3} (r_0^{\text{cpx}} - r_{\text{REE}})^3 \right) \right], \quad (6)$$

5 where $D_{\text{REE}}^{\text{grt-cpx}}$ is the partition coefficient of a given REE between garnet and clinopyroxene; D_0 is
6 the partition coefficient for strain-free substitution; E is the apparent Young's modulus for the
7 lattice site; r_0 is the size of the strain-free lattice site; r_{REE} is the ionic radius of the REE; N_A is
8 Avogadro's number; superscripts *grt* and *cpx* denote garnet and clinopyroxene, respectively. The
9 lattice strain parameters (D_0 , r_0 and E) are the same as those in the mineral-melt lattice strain
10 model of Blundy and Wood (1994). In a mineral-melt system, the lattice strain parameters
11 generally depend upon temperature, pressure and compositions of the mineral and melt (e.g.,
12 Blundy and Wood, 1994; Wood and Blundy, 1997, 2002, 2003; van Westrenen and Draper,
13 2007; Draper and van Westrenen, 2007; Sun and Liang, 2012, 2013a, 2013b; Yao et al.,
14 2012). To quantify the distribution of REEs between garnet and clinopyroxene, one can
15 parameterize the lattice strain parameters as functions of temperature, pressure and composition
16 using experimentally determined mineral-melt REE partition coefficients.

17 Because clinopyroxene-melt and garnet-melt REE partition coefficients are important to the
18 interpretation of magmatic processes in the Earth's mantle, considerable efforts have been
19 devoted to developing parameterized lattice strain models for REE partitioning between
20 clinopyroxene and basaltic melt (Wood and Blundy, 1997, 2002; Sun and Liang, 2012) and
21 between garnet and basaltic melt (van Westrenen et al., 2001; Wood and Blundy, 2002; van
22 Westrenen and Draper, 2007; Draper and van Westrenen, 2007; Corgne et al., 2012; Sun and

1 Liang, 2013a). In two recent studies, we systematically examined clinopyroxene-melt and garnet-
 2 melt REE and Y partition coefficients as functions of temperature, pressure, mineral and melt
 3 compositions using the lattice strain model (Sun and Liang, 2012, 2013a). Our new models were
 4 calibrated against a carefully selected high quality experimental partitioning dataset through
 5 parameter swiping and simultaneous or global nonlinear least squares inversion of all the filtered
 6 partitioning data for each mineral-melt system. Fig. 2 displays the major element compositions of
 7 clinopyroxene and garnet from the compiled experiments. These include 344 clinopyroxene-melt
 8 partitioning data (REEs and Y) from 43 experiments (conducted at 1042-1470 °C and 1 atm-4
 9 GPa) and 538 garnet-melt partitioning data (REEs and Y) from 64 experiments (conducted at
 10 1325-2300 °C and 2.4-25 GPa). The clinopyroxenes are rich in magnesium but also include some
 11 with jadeite and Tschermak components [$Mg\# = 54 - 100$, $Na_2O = 0 - 3.6\%$, $X_{Al}^T = 0.05 - 0.44$;
 12 $Mg\# = 100 \times Mg/(Mg + Fe)$ in mole, and X_{Al}^T is the amount of the tetrahedral Al in pyroxene per
 13 six-oxygen], while the garnets are rich in pyrope or majorite components ($Mg\# = 54-100$). The
 14 interested reader is referred to Sun and Liang (2012, 2013a, 2014) for additional information.

15 The compiled clinopyroxene-melt REE and Y partitioning data can be best fit by a lattice
 16 strain model using the following lattice strain parameters (Sun and Liang, 2012):

$$17 \quad \ln D_0^{cpx} = -7.14(\pm 0.53) + \frac{7.19(\pm 0.73) \times 10^4}{RT} + 4.37(\pm 0.47) X_{Al}^T, \quad (7a)$$

$$+ 1.98(\pm 0.36) X_{Mg}^{M2} - 0.91(\pm 0.19) X_{H_2O}^{melt}$$

$$18 \quad r_0^{cpx} (\text{\AA}) = 1.066(\pm 0.007) - 0.104(\pm 0.035) X_{Al}^{M1} - 0.212(\pm 0.033) X_{Mg}^{M2}, \quad (7b)$$

$$19 \quad E^{cpx} (\text{GPa}) = [2.27(\pm 0.44) r_0 - 2.00(\pm 0.44)] \times 10^3, \quad (7c)$$

20 where numbers in parentheses are 2σ uncertainties estimated directly from the simultaneous
 21 inversion; X_{Al}^{M1} is the amount of Al in the M1 site in pyroxene per six-oxygen; X_{Mg}^{M2} is the cation
 22 content of Mg in the M2 site in pyroxene; and $X_{H_2O}^{melt}$ is the molar fraction of H_2O in the melt per

1 six-oxygen calculated following the procedure of Wood and Blundy (2002). Pyroxene structure
 2 formulae are calculated by assuming a random distribution of Fe²⁺ and Mg²⁺ over the M1 and M2
 3 sites (Wood and Banno, 1973) and that all iron is present as ferrous iron.

4 The compiled garnet-melt REE and Y partitioning data can be best fit by a lattice strain
 5 model using the following lattice strain parameters (Sun and Liang, 2013a, 2014):

$$6 \quad \ln D_0^{\text{grt}} = -2.01(\pm 0.70) + \frac{9.03(\pm 0.98) \times 10^4 - 93.02(\pm 17.06)P(37.78 - P)}{RT} - 1.04(\pm 0.44)X_{\text{Ca}}^{\text{grt}}, \quad (8a)$$

$$7 \quad r_0^{\text{grt}}(\text{\AA}) = 0.785(\pm 0.031) + 0.153(\pm 0.029)X_{\text{Ca}}^{\text{grt}}, \quad (8b)$$

$$8 \quad E^{\text{grt}}(\text{GPa}) = [-1.67(\pm 0.45) + 2.35(\pm 0.51)r_0^{\text{grt}}] \times 10^3, \quad (8c)$$

9 where P is the pressure in GPa; $X_{\text{Ca}}^{\text{grt}}$ is the cation content of Ca in garnet per 12-oxygen. In both
 10 clinopyroxene and garnet partitioning models, we used 8-fold coordinated ionic radii of REE and
 11 Y from Shannon (1976). Eqs. (7a-c) and Eqs. (8a-c) indicate that temperature, pressure and
 12 mineral major element compositions dominate REE and Y partitioning in clinopyroxene and
 13 garnet. The effect of water in the melt on clinopyroxene-melt REE partitioning is only significant
 14 under very hydrous magmatic conditions.

15 Combining Eqs. (6, 7a-c, and 8a-c), Sun and Liang (2014) obtained a generalized lattice
 16 strain model for REE and Y partitioning between garnet and clinopyroxene under anhydrous
 17 conditions (i.e., by setting $X_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}^{\text{melt}} = 0$ in Eq. 7a). They demonstrated that REE partition
 18 coefficients calculated using this model agree very well with directly measured values in well-
 19 equilibrated mantle eclogite xenoliths (Type II) from the Roberts Victor kimberlite, South Africa
 20 reported in Harte and Kirkley (1997) and Huang et al. (2012). In the supplementary material, we
 21 further test the validity of this model using published mineral-melt partitioning experiments with
 22 coexisting clinopyroxene and garnet and additional well-equilibrated mantle eclogite xenoliths
 23 from various locations (see also Supplementary Fig. S1). These experiments and additional

1 mantle xenoliths confirm that the independently calibrated lattice strain parameters for REE
 2 partitioning in clinopyroxene and garnet are internally consistent and can be extrapolated to
 3 subsolidus conditions.

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5 **2.3. A REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer**

6 Given the garnet-clinopyroxene REE partitioning model (Eqs. 6, 7a-c, and 8a-c), we can
 7 obtain a REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer by rewriting Eq. (6) in the form of Eq.
 8 (5). The corresponding terms of Eq. (5) now take on the following expressions:

$$9 \quad A = 5.13 - 1.04 X_{\text{Ca}}^{\text{grt}} - 4.37 X_{\text{Al}}^{\text{T,cpx}} - 1.98 X_{\text{Mg}}^{\text{M2,cpx}}, \quad (9a)$$

$$10 \quad B = 2.21 \times 10^3 + 909.85 G(r_{\text{REE}}), \quad (9b)$$

$$11 \quad f(P) = -11.19 P^2 + 422.66 P, \quad (9c)$$

$$12 \quad G(r_{\text{REE}}) = E^{\text{cpx}} \left(\frac{r_0^{\text{cpx}}}{2} (r_0^{\text{cpx}} - r_{\text{REE}})^2 - \frac{1}{3} (r_0^{\text{cpx}} - r_{\text{REE}})^3 \right) \\
- E^{\text{grt}} \left(\frac{r_0^{\text{grt}}}{2} (r_0^{\text{grt}} - r_{\text{REE}})^2 - \frac{1}{3} (r_0^{\text{grt}} - r_{\text{REE}})^3 \right), \quad (9d)$$

13 where E and r_0 are given by Eqs. (7b-c and 8b-c); A and B are coefficients in Eq. (5); and $f(P)$
 14 replaces the pressure term in Eq. (5). The coefficient A depends strongly on major element
 15 compositions of garnet and clinopyroxene, while the coefficient B is a function of mineral major
 16 element composition and the ionic radii of REEs. Note that the $X_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}^{\text{melt}}$ term is excluded in Eq. (9a)
 17 because it is irrelevant to REE partitioning between garnet and clinopyroxene under subsolidus
 18 conditions. This term also has negligible effect on REE partitioning between garnet and
 19 clinopyroxene under anhydrous magmatic conditions.

20 To calculate the equilibrium temperature and pressure simultaneously for a given sample, we
 21 follow the steps similar to those for the REE-in-two-pyroxene thermometer in Liang et al. (2013).

1 First, we calculate the coefficients A and B from Eqs. (9a-b) using major element compositions of
2 garnet and clinopyroxene. Second, we examine the quality of measured REE abundances in
3 garnet and clinopyroxene in a spider diagram and check if REEs define a line in the plot of $(\ln D -$
4 $A)$ vs. B . Finally, we carry out a linear least squares analysis for garnet-clinopyroxene REE
5 partition coefficients in the plot of $(\ln D - A)$ vs. B . We obtain the temperature (T_{REE}) from the
6 slope, and calculate the pressure (P_{REE}) from the intercept $f(P)$ through Eq. (9c). From the linear
7 least squares analysis of garnet-clinopyroxene REE and Y partition coefficients in the plot of $(\ln D$
8 $- A)$ vs. B , we can also make estimates on the uncertainties of the calculated temperature and
9 pressure. In the online supplementary data, we present a simple Excel worksheet that can assist
10 interested readers to calculate temperatures and pressures using the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene
11 thermobarometer.

12 Figures 3a-b show an example of the temperature and pressure inversion for a well-
13 equilibrated diamond-bearing eclogite reported in Smart et al. (2009). In this sample, light REEs
14 are enriched in the clinopyroxene but highly depleted in the garnet, while heavy REEs are
15 depleted in the clinopyroxene but enriched in garnet (Fig. 3a). The distribution of REEs between
16 garnet and clinopyroxene generally agree with their partitioning behaviors. Fig. 3b shows that all
17 REEs and Y define a straight line in the plot of $(\ln D - A)$ vs. B . The slope and intercept of this
18 line provide a temperature of $846 \pm 21^\circ\text{C}$ and a pressure of 4.21 ± 0.38 GPa, respectively. The
19 temperature and pressure places this diamond-bearing eclogite in the diamond stability field and
20 hence can be interpreted as the equilibrium temperature and pressure of this sample. Assuming an
21 equilibrium pressure of 4.21 GPa, we calculated the equilibrium temperature for this eclogite
22 sample using several garnet-clinopyroxene Fe-Mg thermometers (T_{EG} : Ellis and Green, 1979;
23 T_{K88} : Krogh, 1988; T_{KR} : Ravna, 2000; T_{N09} : Nakamura, 2009). The temperature derived from the
24 REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer is in excellent agreement with that derived from
25 the widely used thermometer of Krogh (1988) but is lower than those derived from other three
26 garnet-clinopyroxene Fe-Mg thermometers (listed in Fig. 3b).

1 Because some REEs are highly depleted in garnet or clinopyroxene (e.g., light REEs in garnet
2 and heavy REEs in clinopyroxene), they may be easily affected by secondary alterations or have
3 significant analytical errors. One of the advantages of the REE-based thermobarometer is that one
4 can eliminate the outliers using a robust linear least squares regression method (Figs. 3c-d).
5 Alternatively, one can manually exclude the outliers and obtain the temperature and pressure
6 using a linear least squares regression. However, when all REEs and Y in the plot of $(\ln D - A)$ vs.
7 B become continuously curved, the garnet and clinopyroxene may be strongly perturbed by
8 secondary processes. It is then impossible to obtain a meaningful temperature and pressure
9 (Supplementary Fig. S2).

11 **3. Validation of the REE-in-Garnet-Clinopyroxene Thermobarometer**

12 **3.1. Experimental test**

13 To assess the validity of the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer, we apply the
14 new thermobarometer to partitioning experiments that have coexisting garnet, clinopyroxene and
15 melts. We compiled 14 experiments reported in the literature (Green et al., 2000; Adam and
16 Green, 2006; Tuff and Gibson, 2007; Suzuki et al., 2012). Four experiments from Green et al.
17 (2000) and Adam and Green (2006) were conducted at 1100 – 1200 °C and 3 – 4 GPa for 22.5 –
18 48 hrs under hydrous conditions (10.91 – 17.35 wt% water in the melt). Four experiments from
19 Tuff and Gibson (2007) were conducted at 1425 – 1750 °C and 3 – 7 GPa for 4 – 25 hrs under
20 anhydrous conditions. Six experiments from Suzuki et al. (2012) were conducted at 1550 – 1900
21 °C and 3 – 12 GPa for 1 – 2 hrs under anhydrous conditions. All these experiments used basaltic
22 starting compositions and produced garnets and clinopyroxenes with relatively large ranges in
23 compositions (e.g., Mg# = 66 – 77 for garnet, and Mg# = 76 – 86 for clinopyroxene). The
24 clinopyroxenes from the experiments in Tuff and Gibson (2007) are on the boundary of augite
25 and sub-calcium augite. Application of the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer to

1 these clinopyroxenes may involve a significant extrapolation. Following the procedure described
2 in Section 2.3, we calculated the temperatures and pressures for the 14 experiments using the
3 REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer (Fig. 4; and see Supplementary Fig. S3 for
4 temperature and pressure inversions for individual experiments).

5 The temperatures and pressures calculated using the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene
6 thermobarometer agree very well with the experimental temperatures (T_{exp}) and pressures (P_{exp})
7 (Fig. 4). Except for one experiment from Suzuki et al. (2012, 1900°C and 12 GPa), the absolute
8 differences between the calculated temperatures and experimental temperatures are generally
9 within 100°C (6 – 129°C; Fig. 4a). Interestingly, the larger temperature difference (174°C) in the
10 1900°C run of Suzuki et al. (2012) is comparable to the thermal gradient (~150 °C) near hot spots
11 in the very high temperature multi-anvil experiments (van Westrenen et al., 2003). The
12 differences between the calculated pressures and the experimental pressures are within 1 GPa
13 (0.08 – 0.76 GPa) for 8 of the 14 experiments (Fig. 4b). The calculated pressures for three
14 experiments from Suzuki et al. (2012) and one experiment from Tuff and Gibson (2007) are 2.2 –
15 2.9 GPa greater than the experimental pressures, while that for the 8 GPa experiment from Suzuki
16 et al. (2012) is 1.5 GPa smaller than the experimental pressure. The significant differences in
17 temperatures and pressures could be attributed to potential disequilibrium in these partitioning
18 experiments, analytical uncertainties (due in part to very small crystal sizes), and/or limitations of
19 the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer. For instance, curvatures in the plot of ($\ln D -$
20 A) vs. B for the garnet-clinopyroxene REE partition coefficients from one experiment at 1900 °C
21 in Suzuki et al. (2012) (Supplementary Fig. S3) may result from disequilibrium between garnet
22 and clinopyroxene and/or melt contamination during trace element analysis.

23 The aforementioned partitioning experiments with coexisting garnet and clinopyroxene also
24 enable us to compare the accuracy between the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer
25 and the major element-based garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometers. The conventional garnet-
26 clinopyroxene thermometers were all calibrated based on the Fe-Mg exchange between garnet

1 and clinopyroxene. Garnet-clinopyroxene barometers were based on Ca-Mg exchange between
2 garnet and clinopyroxene (Brey et al., 1986) or Ca-Tschermak (CaTs) solubility in clinopyroxene
3 coexisting with garnet (e.g., Mukhopadhyay, 1991; Simakov and Taylor, 2000; Simakov, 2008).
4 To assess the accuracy of different thermobarometers, we calculated the relative Chi-squares
5 using the expression

$$6 \quad \chi_r^2 = \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{(M_j - E_j)^2}{E_j}, \quad (10)$$

7 where N is the total number of samples used in the comparison; M_j is the temperature (or pressure)
8 measured for sample j ; E_j is the temperature (or pressure) estimated using different
9 thermobarometers for sample j . A smaller χ_r^2 indicates that the thermobarometer is more
10 accurate to reproduce the experimental temperatures (or pressures).

11 We calculated equilibrium temperatures for the 14 experiments using four garnet-
12 clinopyroxene Fe-Mg thermometers (Ellis and Green, 1979; Krogh, 1988; Ravna, 2000;
13 Nakamura, 2009) and equilibrium pressures using the recent garnet-clinopyroxene barometer of
14 Simakov (2008). The thermometers of Ellis and Green (1979), Krogh (1988) and Ravna (2000)
15 have been widely applied to garnet- and clinopyroxene-bearing rocks. The thermometer of
16 Nakamura (2009) was recently calibrated by adopting a subregular solution model for garnet. The
17 experimental pressures were used in these thermometers to estimate temperatures, while the
18 experimental temperatures and the garnet-clinopyroxene thermometer of Krogh (1988) were used
19 in the barometer of Simakov (2008).

20 Figure 5 displays the comparisons between the calculated temperatures and the
21 experimental run temperatures. The four thermometers consistently provide temperatures about
22 265 – 568 °C greater than the run temperatures of two experiments from Green et al. (2000). The
23 overestimates for the two experimental temperatures may be due to significant amounts of Fe³⁺ in
24 garnet and clinopyroxene, potential effects of water on garnet-clinopyroxene Fe-Mg exchange,

1 and/or disequilibrium of Fe-Mg between garnet and clinopyroxene. Although the thermometer of
2 Ellis and Green (1979) seems to best reproduce the 14 experimental temperatures among the four
3 thermometers, its χ_r^2 (= 244) remains significantly greater than that of the REE-in-garnet-
4 clinopyroxene thermobarometer ($\chi_r^2 = 55$). Excluding the two experiments (Runs 1798 and
5 1807) from Green et al. (2000), the thermometer of Krogh (1988) best reproduces the 12
6 experimental temperatures with the smallest χ_r^2 (= 43), which is similar to that of the REE-in-
7 garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer ($\chi_r^2 = 41$).

8 Figure 6 shows the comparisons between the calculated pressures using the barometer of
9 Simakov (2008, designated as P_{S08}) and the experimental pressures. For the low-pressure
10 experiments (< 5 GPa), the barometer of Simakov (2008) reproduces the experimental pressures
11 to within 0.01 – 1.14 GPa using the experimental temperatures; however, for the high-pressure
12 experiments (> 5 GPa), the barometer of Simakov (2008) reproduces the experimental pressures
13 to within 1.53 – 2.37 GPa (Fig. 6a). Combining with the thermometer of Krogh (1988), the
14 barometer of Simakov (2008) produces larger errors particularly for the two experiments from
15 Green et al. (2000), and has greater χ_r^2 (= 8; Fig. 6b) than that ($\chi_r^2 = 3$; Fig. 6a) using the
16 experimental temperatures. Excluding the two experiments from Green et al. (2000) in Fig. 6b
17 reduces χ_r^2 for Simakov's barometer to 5, comparable to that in Fig. 6a. The barometer of
18 Simakov (2008) generally gives rise to χ_r^2 values similar to that ($\chi_r^2 = 4$; Fig. 4b) derived from
19 the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer.

20 It is important to bear in mind that the experimental test of the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene
21 thermobarometer is based on a rather limited laboratory partitioning dataset. To further test and
22 validate the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer, we turn to field data.

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1 **3.2. Field test**

2 Because the diamond-graphite phase boundary and the quartz-coesite transformation have
3 been well-constrained (e.g., Kennedy and Kennedy, 1976; Bohlen and Boettcher, 1982; Day,
4 2012), diamond-, graphite-, coesite- and quartz-bearing eclogites, granulites, and peridotites are
5 excellent candidates to test the reliability of a garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer. Here we
6 use the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer to calculate equilibrium temperatures and
7 pressures for three types of samples (9 diamond-bearing eclogites, 2 graphite-bearing eclogites,
8 and 12 quartz-bearing eclogites or granulites) with major and trace element compositions of
9 garnet and clinopyroxene reported in the literature. The 9 diamond-bearing eclogites include 1
10 sample from Udachnaya kimberlite pipe in Siberia (Shatsky et al., 2008) and 8 samples from the
11 Jericho Kimberlite in the northern Slave Craton (Smart et al., 2009; up to 20% diamond); the 2
12 graphite-bearing eclogites are from the West Africa Craton (Barth et al., 2001); the 12 quartz-
13 bearing samples contain 7 eclogites from Dabie-Sulu terrane (Tang et al., 2007), 1 granulite from
14 Central Finland (Nehring et al., 2010), and 4 granulites from Udachnaya and Komsomolskaya
15 Kimberlite Pipes in Siberia (Koreschkova et al., 2011). The individual temperature and pressure
16 inversions for these samples can be found in Supplementary Fig. S4. For comparison, we also
17 calculate the equilibrium temperatures and pressures for these samples using the barometer of
18 Simakov (2008) and the thermometer of Krogh (1988).

19 The REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer generates reasonable temperatures and
20 pressures for the three types of samples except pressures for two diamond-bearing eclogites (0.2 –
21 0.5 GPa shallower than the diamond-graphite boundary; Fig. 7a). Because the barometer of
22 Simakov (2008) does not work for clinopyroxene without CaTs or enstatite components, the
23 combination of the barometer of Simakov (2008) and the thermometer of Krogh (1988) only
24 produces temperatures and pressures for 12 samples (5 diamond-bearing, 1 graphite-bearing, and
25 6 quartz-bearing). However, the pressures of the 12 samples are highly problematic (Fig. 7b).
26 Combining with other garnet-clinopyroxene thermometers (e.g., Ellis and Green, 1979; Ravna,

1 2000; Nakamura, 2009) or using temperatures derived from the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene
2 thermobarometer would not significantly improve the pressures derived from the barometer of
3 Simakov (2008) for these field samples. This is probably because Simakov's barometer is very
4 sensitive to the ordering of Fe-Mg over the M1 and M2 sites in clinopyroxene at low
5 temperatures. The sensitivity of the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer to Fe-Mg
6 ordering in clinopyroxene is discussed in Section 5.

7 To further examine the accuracy and reliability of our REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene
8 thermobarometer, we compare the equilibrium temperatures of well-equilibrated mantle eclogites
9 calculated using our REE-based thermobarometer with those calculated using the Fe-Mg
10 thermometers of Ellis and Green (1979), Krogh (1988), Ravna (2000), and Nakamura (2009) at
11 equilibrium pressures derived from the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer (Fig. 8).
12 We compiled 35 mantle eclogite xenoliths with mineral major and trace element compositions
13 reported in the literature that most likely approach equilibrium in the mantle. They include 14
14 Type II eclogites from the Kaapvaal Craton (Harte and Kirkley, 1997; Huang et al., 2012), 2
15 Group 2 eclogites from the Siberian Craton (Jacob and Foley, 1999), 11 low-MgO eclogites from
16 the West African Craton (Barth et al., 2001), and 8 diamond eclogites from the Slave Craton
17 (Smart et al., 2009). To facilitate comparisons between thermometers, we calculate the relative
18 Chi-squares (χ_r^2) using Eq. (10) and replace the measured temperatures (M_j in Eq. 10) by those
19 derived from the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer. The smaller χ_r^2 value, the
20 better agreement between the REE and Fe-Mg thermometer is. For the 35 well-equilibrated
21 mantle eclogites, the widely used garnet-clinopyroxene Fe-Mg thermometers of Ellis and Green
22 (1979), Krogh (1988) and Ravna (2000) provide temperatures generally within 100°C (dashed
23 lines) of those calculated using the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer (Figs. 8a-c).
24 Note that the 100°C temperature differences are comparable to the uncertainties of the garnet-
25 clinopyroxene Fe-Mg thermometers. However, the recent Fe-Mg thermometer of Nakamura

1 (2009) generates temperatures for many samples significantly (up to 341 °C) higher than those
2 derived from our REE-based thermobarometer (Fig. 8d). Overall, for these well-equilibrated
3 samples, temperature estimations by Krogh's thermometer (1988) are in excellent agreement with
4 those of the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer ($\chi_r^2 = 297$).

5 In summary, the 14 partitioning experiments demonstrate that the REE-in-garnet-
6 clinopyroxene thermobarometer generally better reproduces the experimental temperatures than
7 the garnet-clinopyroxene Fe-Mg thermometers, and has a good reproducibility for the
8 experimental pressures comparable to that of the barometer of Simakov (2008). Applications to
9 diamond-, graphite-, and quartz-bearing field samples further validate the reliability of the REE-
10 in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer. Finally, the excellent agreement in temperatures
11 derived from the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer and the widely used
12 thermometer of Krogh (1988) for the 35 well-equilibrated mantle eclogites demonstrates the
13 accuracy of the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer for field samples at subsolidus
14 conditions.

15 16 **4. Geological Applications**

17 There is a large body of work on major and trace element abundances in garnet- and
18 clinopyroxene-bearing rocks from active tectonic environments in the Earth's mantle and lower
19 crust (e.g., high pressure and ultra-high pressure terranes, subducted oceanic lithosphere, and
20 thermally eroded lithospheric mantle). Because garnet- and clinopyroxene-bearing rocks from
21 active tectonic settings have complex thermal histories, major and trace elements in the garnet
22 and clinopyroxene may depart from chemical equilibrium at the local geotherm during
23 exhumation, subduction or thermal erosion processes. Applying the REE-in-two-pyroxene
24 thermometer to abyssal peridotites and mafic cumulates, Liang et al. (2013) demonstrated that the
25 REE-in-two-pyroxene thermometer records higher closure temperatures than the major element-

1 based two-pyroxene thermometers for mafic and ultramafic rocks that experienced cooling. This
2 raises two important questions for the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer. (1) Are
3 there any differences in temperatures derived from the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene
4 thermobarometer and the garnet-clinopyroxene Fe-Mg thermometers for garnet- and
5 clinopyroxene-bearing rocks from different tectonic environments? (2) Can the REE-in-garnet-
6 clinopyroxene thermobarometer be used to study thermal histories of these rocks? In this section,
7 we first discuss the physical meaning of temperatures and pressures derived from the REE-in-
8 garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer. We then apply the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene
9 thermobarometer to garnet- and clinopyroxene-bearing rocks from tectonic settings that
10 experienced cooling or heating processes. For comparison, we also calculate temperatures using
11 the garnet-clinopyroxene Fe-Mg thermometer of Krogh (1988) at pressures derived from the
12 REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer.

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14 **4.1. Physical meaning of calculated temperatures and pressures**

15 Diffusive re-distribution of REEs between a pair of minerals during subsolidus re-
16 equilibration depends on the diffusion coefficients of REEs in the two minerals, partition
17 coefficients of REEs between the pair of minerals, grain sizes and relative volume proportions of
18 the two minerals (Liang, 2014). The diffusion coefficients of REEs in clinopyroxene decrease
19 systematically with their ionic radii (Van Orman et al., 2001), whereas those in garnet are not
20 very sensitive to their ionic radii (Van Orman et al., 2002; Carlson, 2012; Fig. 9a). As
21 demonstrated in Section 2.2, the partition coefficients of REEs between garnet and clinopyroxene
22 also depend on their ionic radii. In general, light REEs are highly compatible in clinopyroxene
23 relative to garnet, while heavy REEs are very compatible in garnet relative to clinopyroxene (Fig.
24 9b). To assess the dominant factors determining the diffusive re-distribution of REEs, we use the
25 following equation to calculate the time scales of diffusive re-equilibration (t_D) for REEs in
26 garnet-clinopyroxene bi-mineralic systems (Liang, 2014)

$$t_D = \left(\frac{\phi_{\text{cpx}}}{\phi_{\text{grt}} D_{\text{REE}}^{\text{grt-cpx}} + \phi_{\text{cpx}}} \right) \frac{L_{\text{grt}}^2}{\beta \mathfrak{D}_{\text{REE}}^{\text{grt}}} + \left(\frac{\phi_{\text{grt}} D_{\text{REE}}^{\text{grt-cpx}}}{\phi_{\text{grt}} D_{\text{REE}}^{\text{grt-cpx}} + \phi_{\text{cpx}}} \right) \frac{L_{\text{cpx}}^2}{\beta \mathfrak{D}_{\text{REE}}^{\text{cpx}}}, \quad (11)$$

where ϕ_{cpx} and ϕ_{grt} are the volume proportions of clinopyroxene and garnet, respectively; $\mathfrak{D}_{\text{REE}}^{\text{grt}}$ and $\mathfrak{D}_{\text{REE}}^{\text{cpx}}$ are the diffusivities of a REE in garnet and clinopyroxene, respectively; β is a geometric factor, and is 1, 4, or 5 for a plane sheet of half length L , cylinder or sphere of radius L , respectively. For the purpose of demonstration, here we consider garnet-clinopyroxene aggregates with a uniform spherical grain size ($L_{\text{grt}} = L_{\text{cpx}} = 0.5$ mm; $\beta = 5$).

Figure 9c compares the diffusive re-equilibration times for REEs in garnet-clinopyroxene aggregates for three choices of mineral proportions ($\phi_{\text{cpx}} = 20\%$, 50% , and 80%) at 1200°C and 1000°C . Because of their smaller diffusion coefficients in clinopyroxene and large garnet-clinopyroxene partition coefficients [cf. Figs. 9a-b and Eq. (11)], heavy REEs in clinopyroxene determine their diffusive re-equilibration times in garnet-clinopyroxene aggregates. However, the diffusive re-equilibration times for light REEs are sensitive to partition coefficients, diffusion coefficients, and mineral proportions. For garnet-clinopyroxene aggregates with less than 20% clinopyroxene, light REEs in clinopyroxene dominate their diffusive re-equilibration times. As the clinopyroxene proportion increases, light REEs in garnet become more important to affecting their diffusive re-equilibration times in garnet-clinopyroxene aggregates, which leads to comparable diffusive re-equilibration times for light and heavy REEs. Because the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer are based on the temperature- and pressure-dependent garnet-clinopyroxene REE exchange, for a garnet- and clinopyroxene-bearing rock that experienced cooling, temperatures (and pressures) derived from this thermobarometer is thus closely related to the average closure temperature (and pressure) of REEs in garnet-clinopyroxene bi-mineralic systems, and may be affected by the relative mineral proportions when the clinopyroxene abundance in the sample is small.

1 To further examine the physical meaning of temperatures (and pressures) derived from the
2 REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer for thermally perturbed samples, we compare the
3 “diffusive opening” temperatures of Fe-Mg with those of REEs in garnet and clinopyroxene.
4 Using the garnet Fe-Mg diffusion data from Freer and Edwards (1999) and the garnet REE
5 diffusion data from Van Orman et al. (2002), we calculated the “diffusive opening” temperatures
6 of Fe-Mg and REEs in a garnet (0.5 mm radius) with a linear heating rate (200°C/Myr) using the
7 simple equation developed by Watson and Cherniak (2013). We found that the 50% retention
8 level for Fe-Mg in garnet is reached at 677 °C while that for REEs in garnet is reached at 1049 –
9 1083°C. Similarly, we also calculated the “diffusive opening” temperatures of Fe-Mg and REEs
10 in a clinopyroxene (0.5 mm radius) using the clinopyroxene Fe-Mg diffusion data from Ganguly
11 and Tazzoli (1994) and the clinopyroxene REE diffusion data from Van Orman et al. (2001). The
12 50% retention level for Fe-Mg in clinopyroxene is reached at 801 °C while that for REEs in
13 clinopyroxene is reached at 1037 – 1187°C. The “diffusive opening” temperatures of Fe-Mg in
14 garnet and clinopyroxene (677 – 801 °C) are significantly lower than those of REEs (1037 – 1187
15 °C). Therefore, for a garnet- and clinopyroxene-bearing rock that underwent heating,
16 temperatures (and pressures) estimated by the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer are
17 likely the equilibrium temperature (and pressure) before heating or an average re-equilibration
18 temperature (and pressure) of REEs in garnet-clinopyroxene bi-mineralic systems at an early
19 stage of heating. In the succeeding discussion, we will further demonstrate this using field data.

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21 **4.2. Granulites, eclogites and peridotites from cooling tectonic settings**

22 We compiled 27 samples with major and trace element compositions of garnet and
23 clinopyroxene reported in the literatures from cooling tectonic environments. These samples
24 include 8 granulite xenoliths from Siberia (Koreshkova et al., 2011), 6 granulites from granulite
25 blocks in Central Finland (Nehring et al., 2010), 8 eclogites from Dabie-Sulu ultra-high pressure
26 terrane (Tang et al., 2007), 3 garnet peridotites from the orogenic peridotite massif in the Western

1 Gneiss Region in Norway (Spengler et al., 2006), and 2 garnet peridotite xenoliths from the arc
2 lithosphere in Sierra Nevada (Chin et al., 2012). Based on the decrease of Mg# in the rims of
3 garnet grains, Koreshkova et al. (2011) suggest that the granulites from Siberia experienced
4 subsequent cooling and decompression following the last granulite metamorphic event. A similar
5 cooling and decompression process was also inferred from the thermobarometry and
6 metamorphic reactions for the granulites from Finland (Hölttä and Paavola, 2000; Nehring et al.,
7 2010). The 8 eclogites from Dabie-Sulu and the 3 garnet peridotites from Norway were exhumed
8 to the surface presumably associated with cooling. Based on the low equilibrium temperatures (<
9 800 °C at ~ 3 GPa) derived from the pyroxene thermobarometer, Chin et al. (2012) suggested that
10 the garnet peridotite xenoliths from Sierra Nevada underwent compression and cooling after melt
11 depletion at shallow depth.

12 For the aforementioned samples, the temperatures derived from the REE-in-garnet-
13 clinopyroxene thermobarometer are systematically higher than those calculated using the garnet-
14 clinopyroxene Fe-Mg thermometer of Krogh (1988) (Fig. 10a; see Supplementary Fig. S4 for
15 temperature and pressure inversions for individual samples). One exception is an eclogite from
16 Dabie-Sulu with a higher Fe-Mg temperature. The higher REE temperature is a common feature
17 for samples experienced cooling processes. Because REEs diffuse significantly slower than Fe
18 and Mg in garnet and clinopyroxene (e.g., Van Orman et al., 2002; Carlson, 2012; see also
19 Cherniak and Dimanov, 2010 and references therein), the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene
20 thermobarometer records temperatures at the early stage of cooling (i.e., higher closure
21 temperatures). For retrograde granulites or eclogites, it would be particularly useful to reveal peak
22 metamorphic conditions. Therefore, the pressures and temperatures derived from the REE-in-
23 garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer may be used to define exhumation trajectories for the
24 garnet and clinopyroxene-bearing rocks (Fig. 10b). It may be possible to estimate cooling or
25 exhumation histories of these rocks by coupling the Sm-Nd isotope ages with the REE-in-garnet-
26 clinopyroxene thermobarometer.

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2 **4.3. Eclogites, garnet pyroxenites and peridotites from thermally perturbed settings**

3 We compiled 37 garnet- and clinopyroxene-bearing rocks with mineral major and trace
4 element compositions reported in the literature from thermally perturbed tectonic settings. The 37
5 samples include 4 eclogite xenoliths from the Siberia Craton (3 Group-1 eclogites: Jacob and
6 Foley, 1999; 1 diamond-bearing eclogite: Shatsky et al., 2008), 17 eclogite xenoliths from
7 Kimberley, South Africa (Jacob et al., 2009), 2 eclogite xenoliths from Jericho in the Slave
8 Craton (Group B and Group C eclogites; Smart et al., 2009), 4 M3 garnets from the Western
9 Gneiss Region in Norway (Scambelluri et al., 2008), 4 Type-IV garnet pyroxenites from the Beni
10 Bousera massif in Morocco (Gysi et al., 2011), and 6 garnet peridotite xenoliths from
11 Prahuaniyeu, South America (Bjerg et al., 2009).

12 The diamond-bearing eclogite from Siberia displays light carbon isotope composition in
13 diamond, indicating that it derived from subducted oceanic or continental lithosphere (Shatsky et
14 al., 2008). The Group-1 eclogite xenoliths from Siberia show elevated oxygen isotope ratios than
15 the mantle values, suggesting a low-temperature altered upper crust origin (Jacob and Foley,
16 1999). Although the eclogite xenoliths from Kimberley were metasomatized as evidenced by the
17 presence of a significant amount of phlogotites, they retained the lighter oxygen isotope
18 compositions derived from their protoliths, seawater altered oceanic cumulates (Jacob et al.,
19 2009). The Group B and Group C eclogites from the Slave Craton have been interpreted as
20 remnants of subducted oceanic crust mainly based on the U-Pb ages of zircon and rutile in the
21 eclogites (Heaman et al., 2002). The formation of the M3 majoritic garnets from Norway also
22 involved deep subduction during the orogenic process according to the phase assemblages in the
23 M3 minerals (e.g., Scambelluri et al., 2008). The preserved magmatic plagioclase and prograde
24 metamorphic phase assemblages indicate that the Type-IV pyroxenites from Morocco originated
25 from delaminated crustal cumulates (Gysi et al., 2011). During subduction and delamination
26 processes, the aforementioned samples presumably have undergone heating. Finally, the apparent

1 Sm-Nd isotope ages and high equilibrium temperatures suggest that the mantle sources of the
2 garnet peridotite xenoliths from Prahuaniyeu have been thermally perturbed by a high-
3 temperature event (Bjerg et al., 2009).

4 Figure 10c shows that temperatures derived from the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene
5 thermobarometer are systematically lower than those calculated using the garnet-clinopyroxene
6 Fe-Mg thermometer of Krogh (1988) for these samples (see Supplementary Fig. S4 for individual
7 temperature and pressure inversions). (One possible exception is the Group B eclogite from the
8 Slave Craton). This further demonstrates that the Fe-Mg exchange thermometer can be easily
9 reset to the high ambient temperature during heating, while the REE-based thermometer
10 potentially records former low temperatures at an early stage of heating or perhaps before heating.
11 The temperature differences between the REE and the Fe-Mg thermometers may be used to infer
12 thermal histories (i.e., cooling vs. heating) of mafic and ultramafic rocks from various tectonic
13 settings. For subduction-derived eclogites and peridotites, temperatures and pressures calculated
14 using the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer may be used to deduce subduction
15 trajectories (Fig. 10d). When coupled with Sm-Nd isotope ages, the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene
16 thermobarometer may be used to constrain the rates of subduction, delamination, or heating. Thus,
17 the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer would be particularly useful to study large-
18 scale tectonic processes.

19 20 **5. Summary and Further Discussion**

21 We have developed a REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer for garnet- and
22 clinopyroxene-bearing mafic and ultramafic rocks. This new thermobarometer is based on the
23 temperature- and pressure-dependent REE and Y partitioning between garnet and clinopyroxene,
24 and is tested against measured partition coefficients from experimentally determined mineral-melt
25 partition coefficients and from field samples, including eclogites and granulites with quartz,
26 graphite or diamond, and well-equilibrated mantle eclogite xenoliths. Taken collectively, these

1 experimental and field data establishes the accuracy and reliability of the REE-in-garnet-
2 clinopyroxene thermobarometer at magmatic and subsolidus conditions. Applications of the REE-
3 in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer to garnet- and clinopyroxene-bearing mafic and
4 ultramafic rocks from active tectonic environments demonstrate that the REE-in-garnet-
5 clinopyroxene thermobarometer records temperatures higher than those from the Fe-Mg
6 thermometer for samples from cooling tectonic settings, but lower than those from the Fe-Mg
7 thermometer for samples from thermally perturbed regions. (Note that the thermal histories
8 (cooling or heating) of these samples were suggested in the literature or could be inferred directly
9 according to the interpretations in the literature.) We attribute the systematic temperature
10 differences to the differences in diffusion rates, and hence closure temperatures, between the
11 trivalent REEs and divalent Fe-Mg in garnet and clinopyroxene. Thus, when coupled with Fe-Mg
12 thermometers, the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer is capable of revealing thermal
13 histories of garnet- and clinopyroxene-bearing rocks.

14 Because garnet and clinopyroxene used in our model calibrations are mostly Mg-rich,
15 cautions should be exercised when applying the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer
16 to field samples with grossular-rich garnet or Fe-rich garnet and clinopyroxene (e.g., Mg# < 40,
17 and > 50% grossular in garnet). Additional REE partitioning experiments with coexisting garnet
18 and clinopyroxene in more mafic systems are needed to further test and calibrate the REE-in-
19 garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer in the future.

20 The distribution of Fe²⁺-Mg²⁺ in the M2 and M1 sites in clinopyroxene becomes highly
21 ordered at lower temperatures (e.g., McCallister et al., 1976; Dal Negro et al., 1982; Ganguly,
22 1982; Brizi et al., 2000). In our parameterized lattice model, REE partitioning in clinopyroxene
23 depends on $X_{\text{Mg}}^{\text{M2}}$ which was calculated by assuming random distribution of Fe²⁺-Mg²⁺ in
24 clinopyroxene (Eq. 7a). The ordering of Fe²⁺-Mg²⁺ over the M1 and M2 sites in clinopyroxene
25 might lead to significant uncertainties in the temperature estimation for field samples. Here, we

1 assessed the effect of Fe^{2+} - Mg^{2+} ordering in clinopyroxene on temperatures derived from the
2 REE-based thermobarometer using the relation between temperature and Fe^{2+} - Mg^{2+} distribution
3 in clinopyroxene quantified by Brizi et al. (2000; their Eq. 4). We first calculated the amount of
4 Mg in the M2 site of clinopyroxene from the experiments compiled in Sun and Liang (2012), and
5 re-calibrated the lattice strain parameters in Eqs. (7a-c). The new coefficients differ from those in
6 Eqs. (7a-c) within the 2σ errors, but slightly decrease the model reproducibility for the compiled
7 clinopyroxene-melt REE and Y partitioning data. Provided the ordering distribution of Fe^{2+} - Mg^{2+}
8 in clinopyroxene, we then re-calculated temperatures for the 35 well-equilibrated mantle eclogite
9 xenoliths using the new lattice strain parameters for clinopyroxene. The temperatures increase by
10 1 – 20 °C (Supplementary Fig. S5), indicating negligible influence of the ordering of Fe^{2+} - Mg^{2+} in
11 clinopyroxene. The small effect of Fe^{2+} - Mg^{2+} ordering in clinopyroxene can be understood by the
12 small coefficient of $X_{\text{Mg}}^{\text{M2}}$ in Eq. (7a) and low abundance of Mg in the M2 site in clinopyroxene.

13 Another important source of uncertainties is the trade-off between the temperature and
14 pressure in the garnet-clinopyroxene REE partitioning model (Eq. 2). Through Monte Carlo
15 simulations, we found that the inverted temperatures and pressures show a weak but positive
16 correlation (Supplementary Fig. S6). The accuracy of the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene
17 thermobarometer also depends on analytical errors in major element and REE compositions of
18 garnet and clinopyroxene. Analytical errors in major element concentrations of garnet and
19 clinopyroxene are typically small, i.e., less than 1% errors in electron microprobe analysis, while
20 those in REE abundances of garnet and clinopyroxene may be up to 20% or perhaps greater by
21 the Laser Ablation Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry analysis. The effects of
22 analytical errors on the accuracy of the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer can also
23 be illustrated through Monte Carlo simulations.

24 For example, 1% relative errors in major element compositions of garnet and clinopyroxene
25 result in less than 15 °C uncertainties in the inverted temperature and less than 0.25 GPa

1 uncertainties in the calculated pressure. These uncertainties are comparable to those from 10%
2 analytical error in REEs in garnet and clinopyroxene (Fig. 11). The uncertainties in the estimated
3 temperatures and pressures increase with the analytical errors in the REE abundances, while the
4 uncertainties in the estimated temperature also increase with the equilibrium temperature (Fig.
5 11). The number of REEs used in the inversion is also an important factor. When all REEs are
6 included in the inversion, a 20% analytical error in REEs results in less than 50 °C uncertainties
7 in temperature and 0.5 GPa uncertainties in pressures. When certain REEs are below detection
8 limits or altered by secondary processes (e.g., light REE enrichments), one has to exclude them to
9 obtain a reliable temperature and pressure (Figs. 3c-d). Without heavy REEs, the temperature
10 uncertainty for the low temperature eclogite (801 °C) increases from 30 °C to 40 °C for 20%
11 analytical errors in REEs; however, without light REEs, it increases to 60 °C for the same
12 uncertainty in REE abundances. The pressure uncertainty increases up to 0.8 GPa for 20% errors
13 in REE analysis, if heavy REEs are excluded in the inversion. Therefore, accurate analysis of
14 REEs in garnet and clinopyroxene is a prerequisite in the application of the REE-in-garnet-
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Appendix A. Supplementary Data

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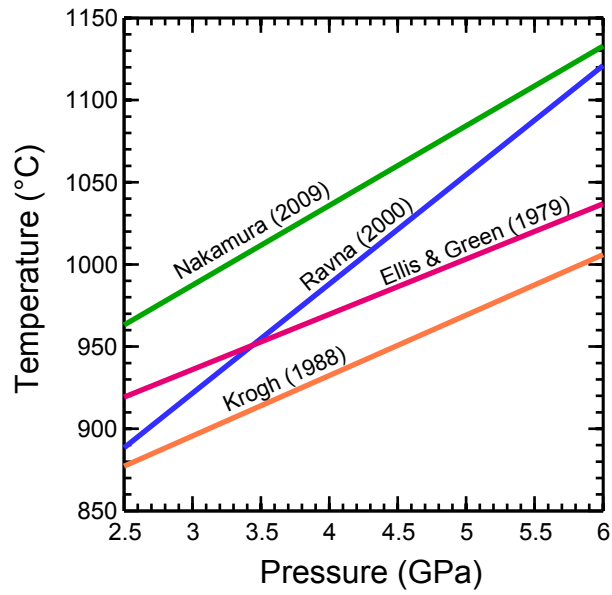
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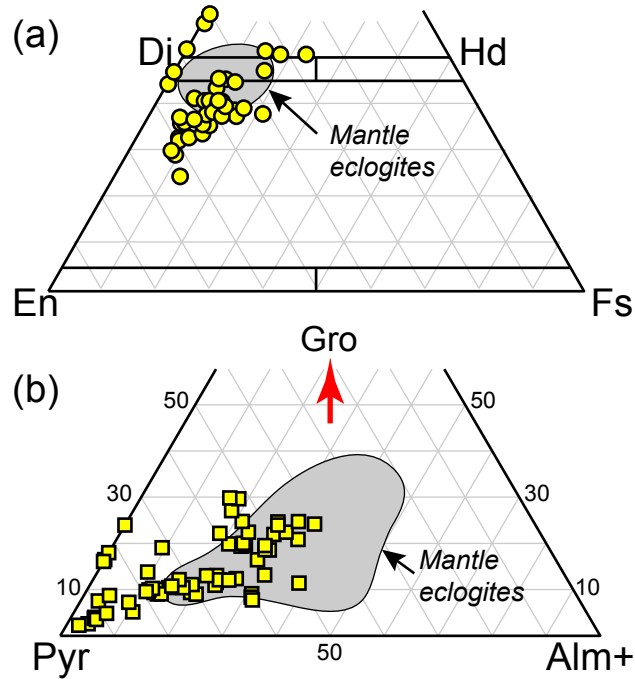
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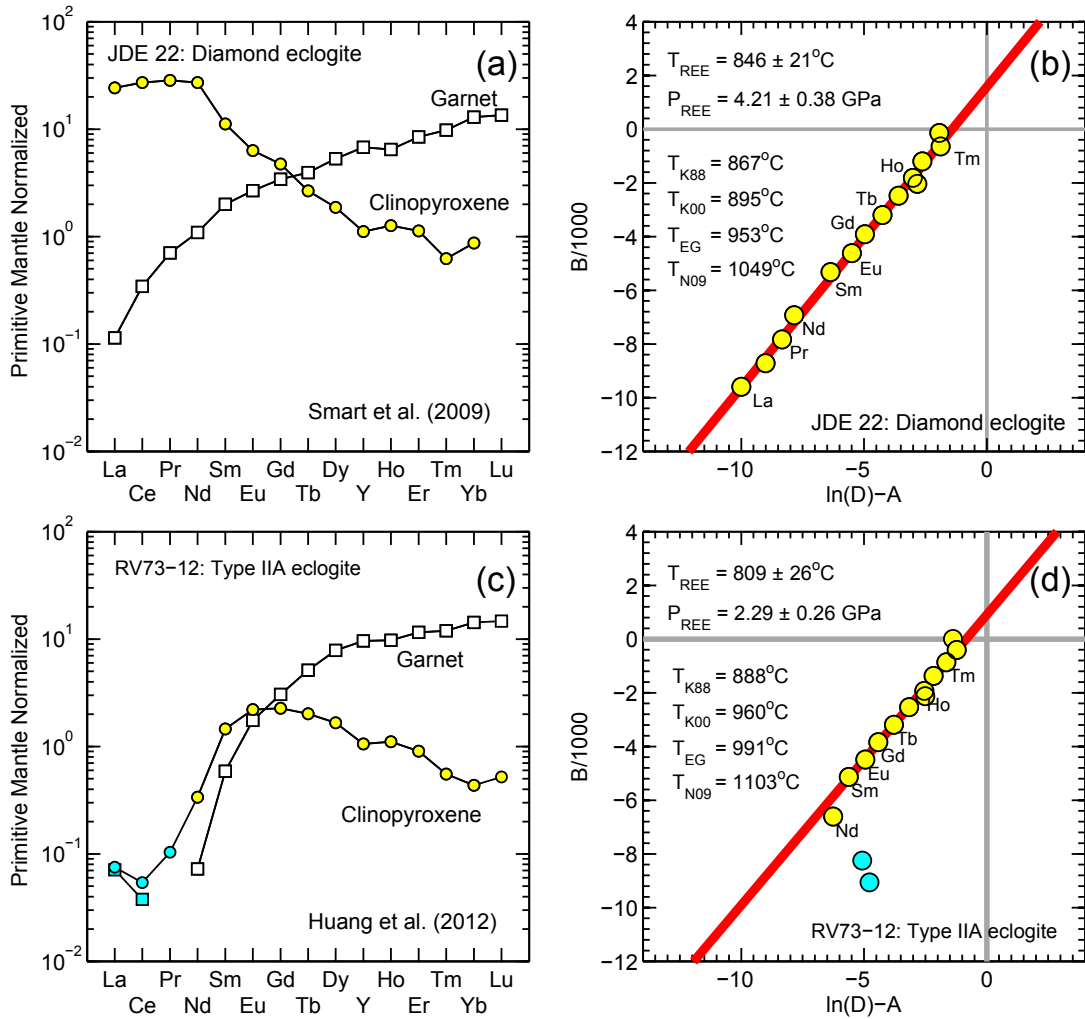
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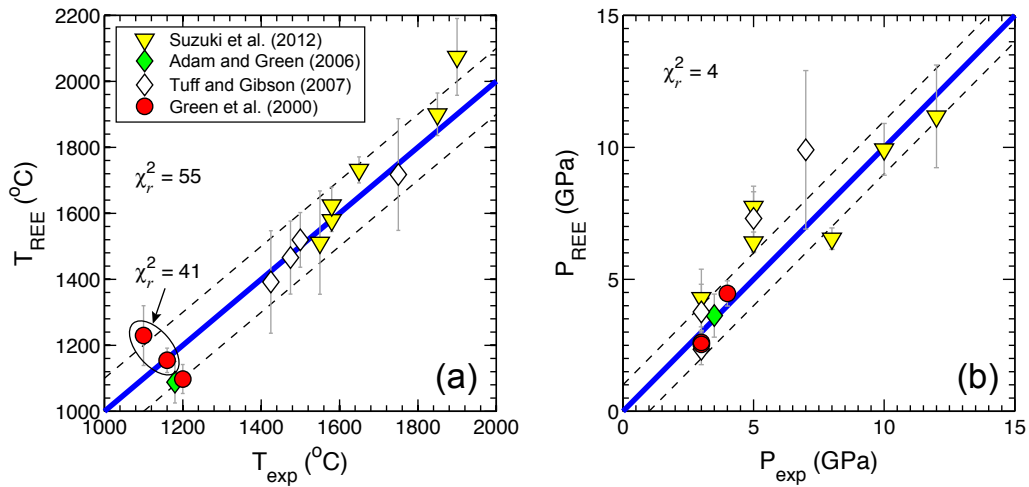
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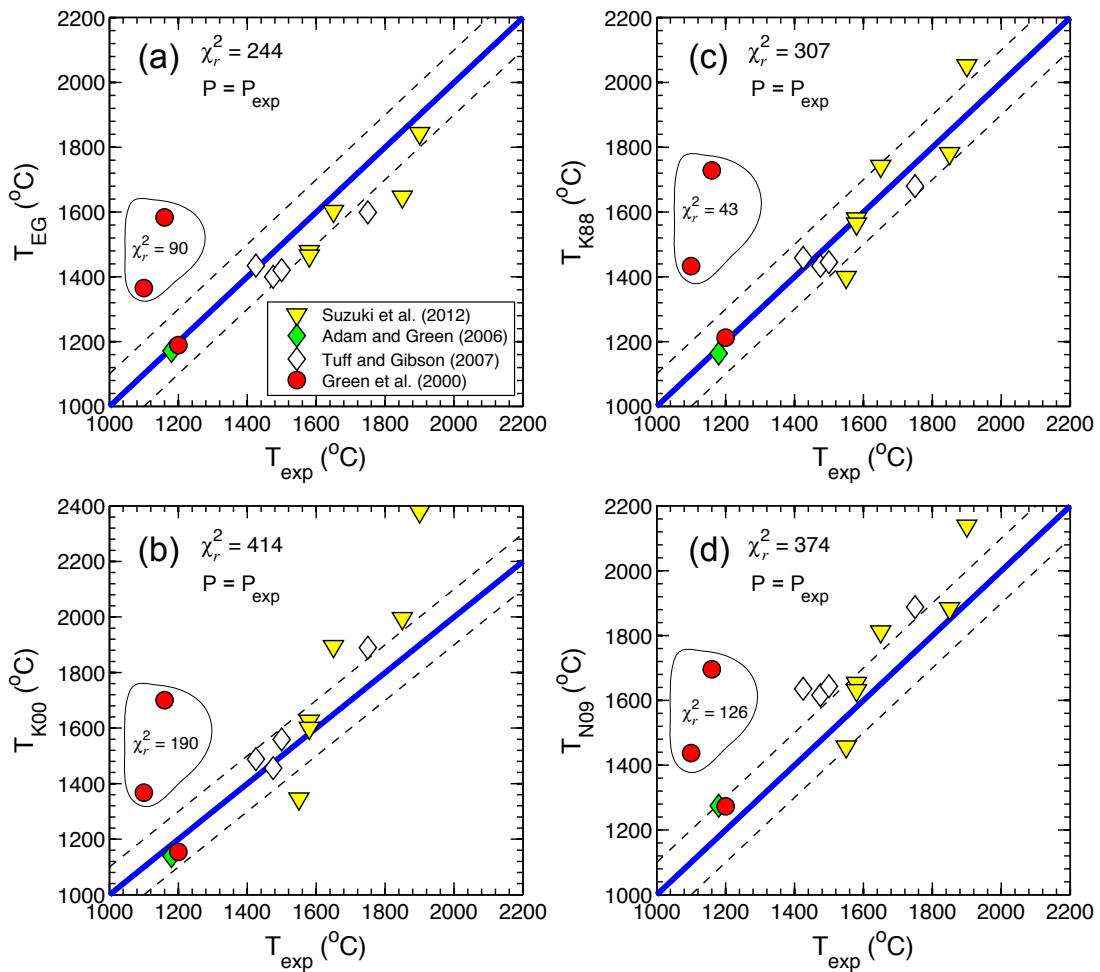
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Figure 4 Comparisons of the temperatures and pressures derived from the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer and those from the partitioning experiments. Solid blue lines are 1:1 lines, and dashed lines denote ± 100 °C in (a) and ± 1 GPa in (b). The χ_r^2 value in (a) becomes 41 when the two experiments (Runs 1798 and 1807) from Green et al. (2000) were excluded.



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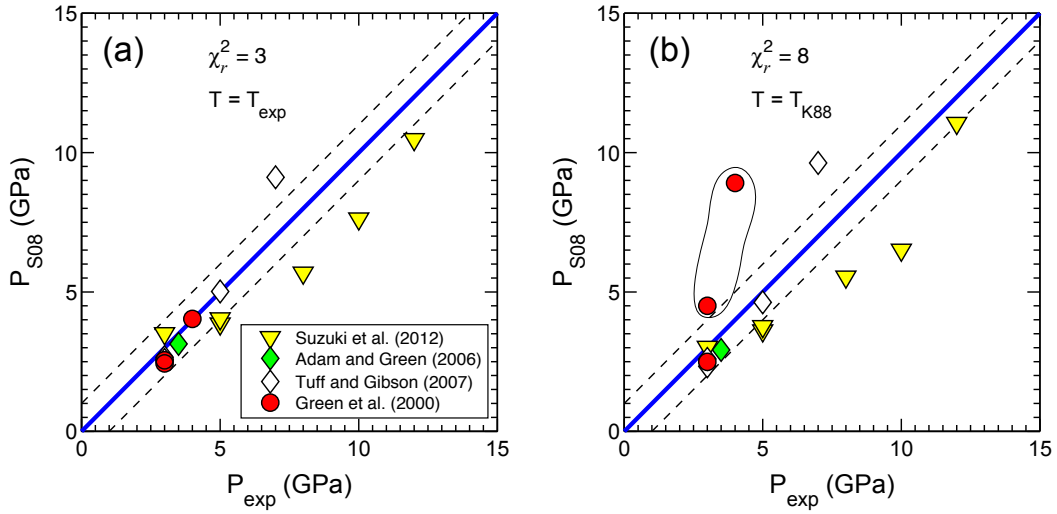
2 **Figure 5** Comparisons of the calculated temperatures by the garnet-clinopyroxene Fe-Mg
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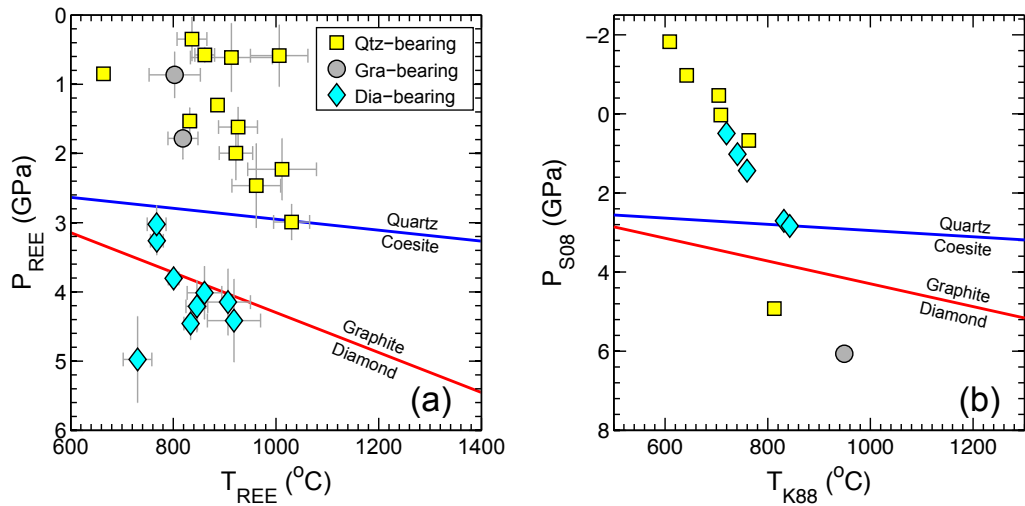
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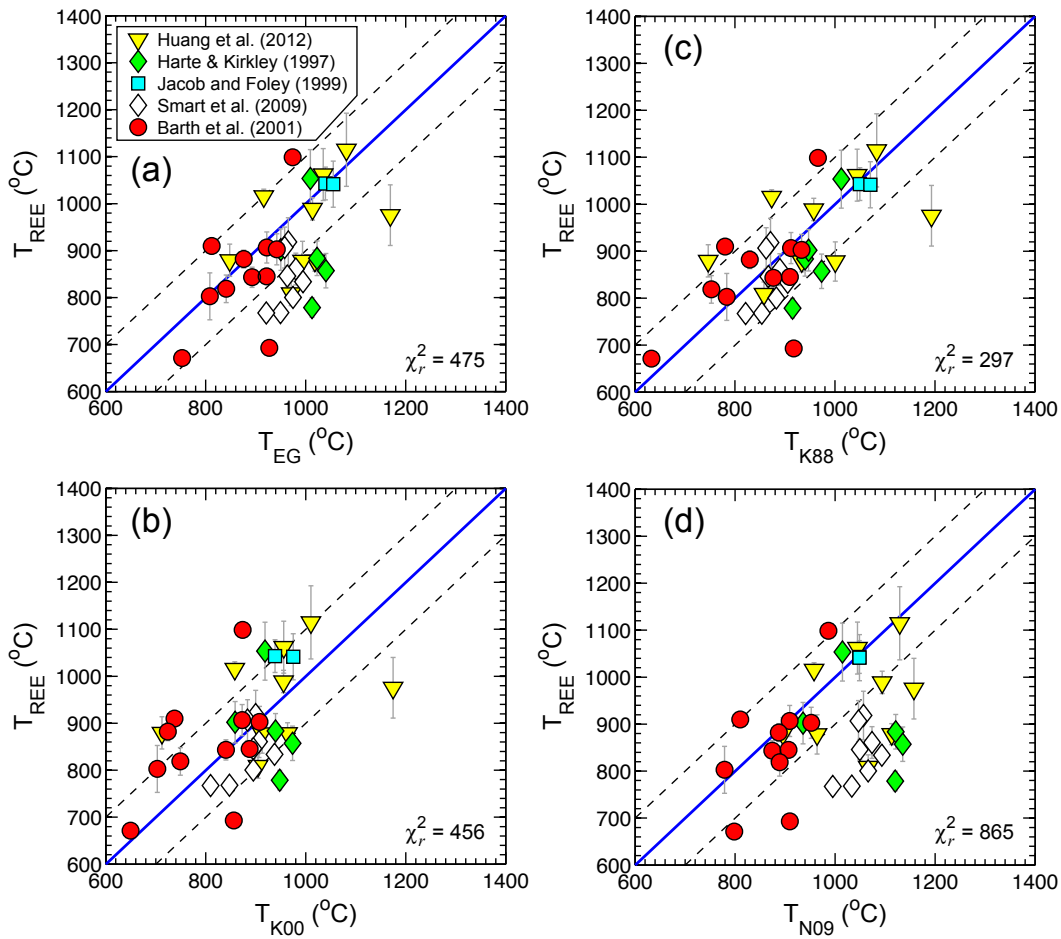
Figure 6 Comparisons of the estimated pressures and the experimental run pressures. To calculate pressures, the experimental temperatures (a) and the thermometer of Krogh (1988; b) were used in the garnet-clinopyroxene barometer of Simakov (2008).

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Figure 7 Temperatures and pressures for eclogites and granulites with quartz (qtz), graphite (gra) and diamond (dia) estimated by the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer (a) and the major element-based garnet-clinopyroxene thermometer and barometer of Krogh (1988) and Simakov (2008) (b). The graphite-diamond phase boundary is from Day (2012), and the quartz-coesite phase boundary is from Bohlen and Boettcher (1982).

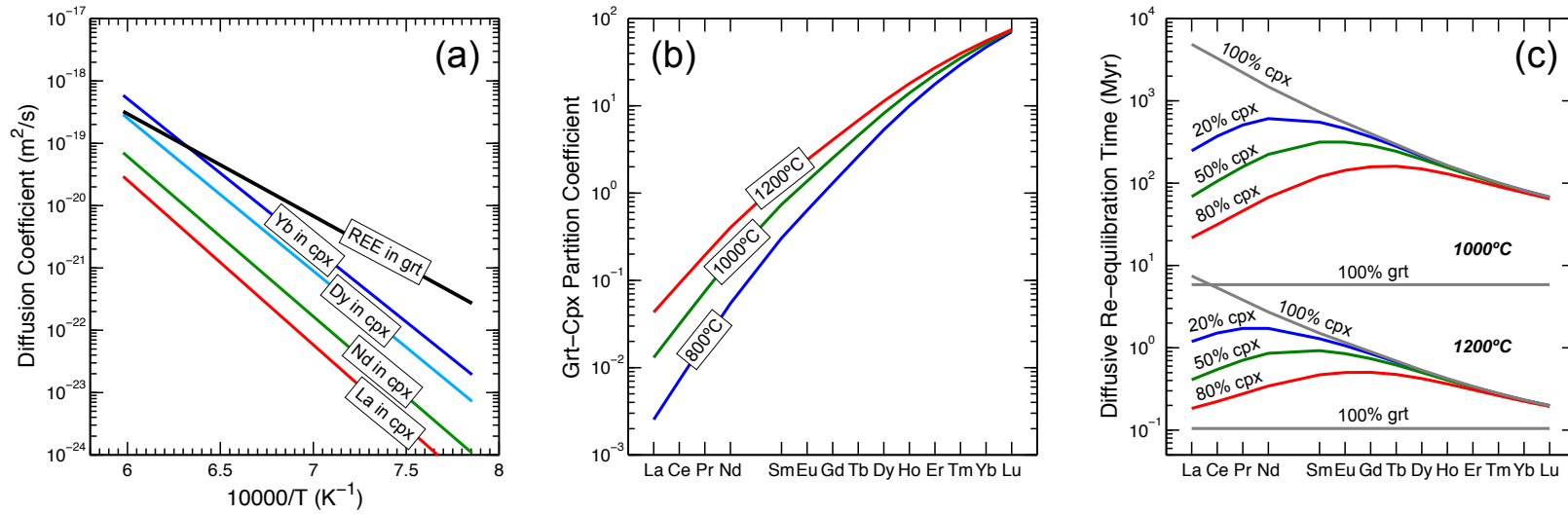


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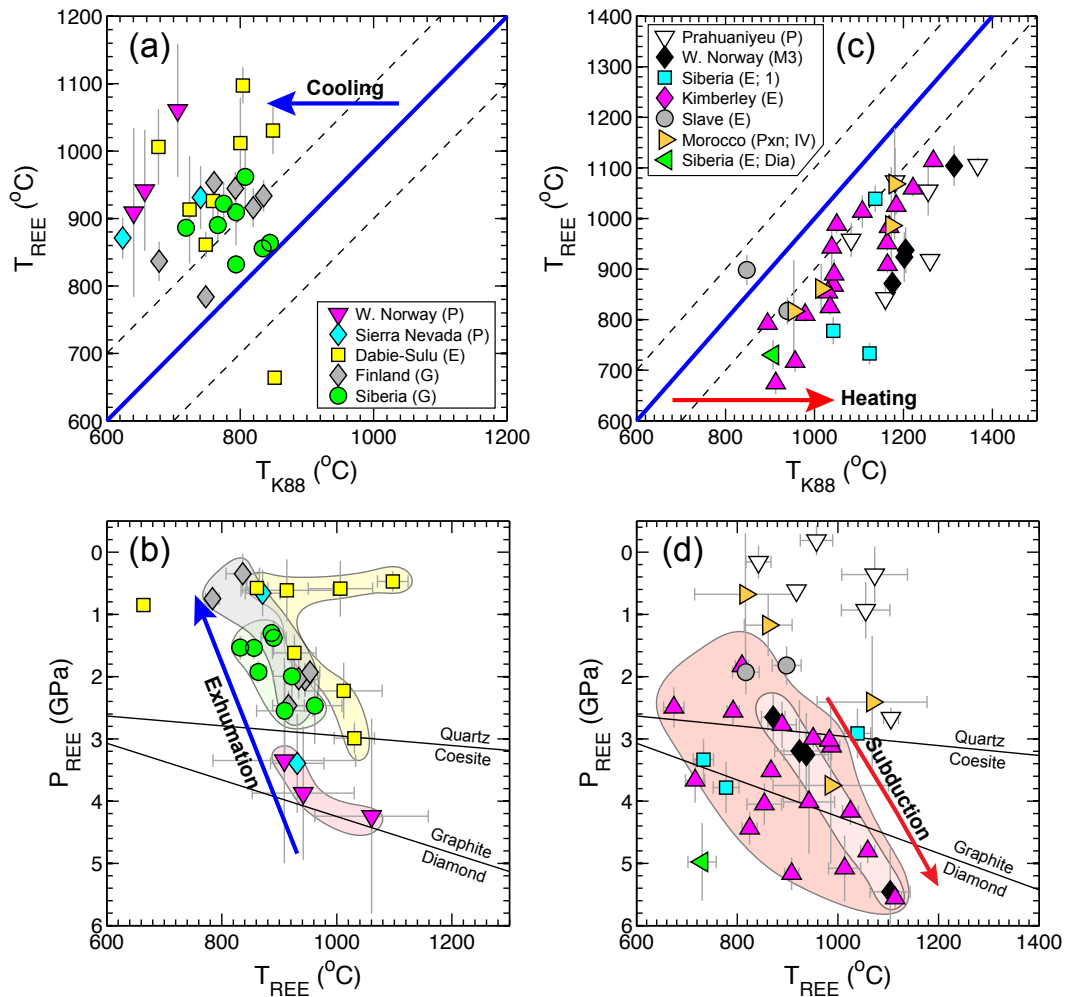
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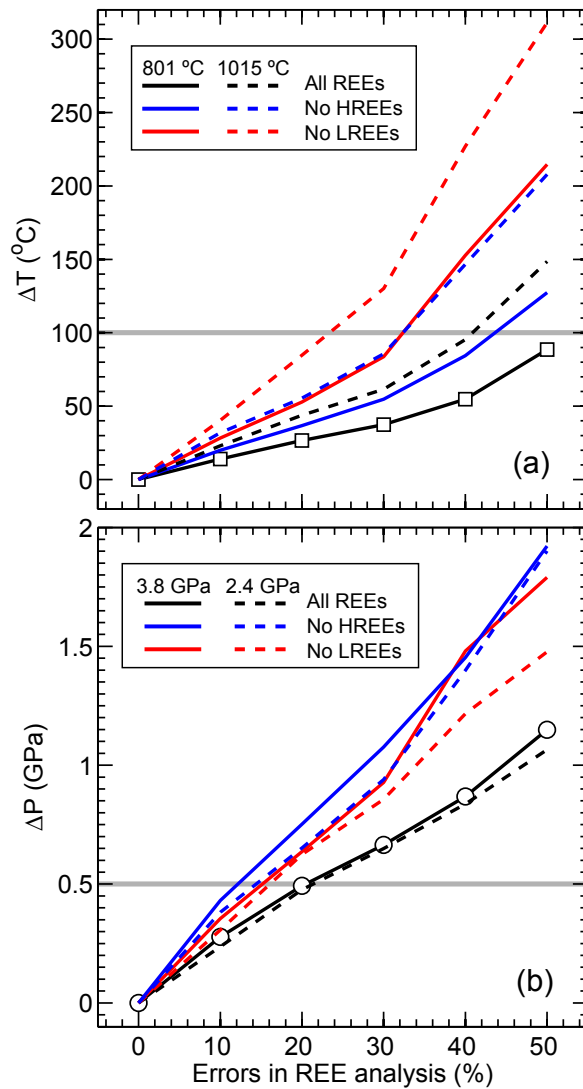
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4 **Figure 9** (a) Diffusion coefficients of REEs in clinopyroxene and garnet as a function of temperature (Van Orman et al., 2001, 2002). (b) Partition
5 coefficients of REEs between garnet and clinopyroxene at 1200°C, 1000°C, 800°C and 2.8 GPa. (c) Diffusive re-equilibration times for REEs in
6 garnet-clinopyroxene aggregates at 1200°C and 1000°C for three choices of clinopyroxene volume proportions (20%, 50%, 80%). The garnet-
7 clinopyroxene REE partition coefficients were calculated using Eqs. (6, 7a-c, and 8a-c) and mineral major element compositions same as those
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Figure 10 Calculated temperatures and pressures for garnet and clinopyroxene-bearing rocks from cooling (a, b) and thermally perturbed (c, d) tectonic settings. (a, c) show the systematic temperature differences between the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer and the garnet-clinopyroxene Fe-Mg thermometer of Krogh (1988). (b, d) display the calculated pressures and temperatures by the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer. In the legend, *P*, *E*, *G* and *Pxn* represent peridotites, eclogites, granulites and pyroxenites, respectively. Eclogites from Siberia include the Group-1 eclogites from Jacob and Foley (1999; squares) and the diamond-bearing eclogite from Shatsky et al. (2008; triangle). Details of other samples are in the text.



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2 **Figure 11** Uncertainties in the calculated temperatures and pressures using the REE-in-garnet-
 3 clinopyroxene thermobarometer arising from analytical errors of REEs in garnet and
 4 clinopyroxene. Here we consider analytical uncertainties in REE compositions from two eclogites
 5 [RV07-12 from Huang et al. (2012); JDE 07 from Smart et al. (2009)] with different equilibrium
 6 temperatures and pressures (RV07-12: 1015 °C, 2.4 GPa, dashed curves; JDE07: 801 °C, 3.8 GPa,
 7 solid curves). The temperature and pressure uncertainties are standard errors calculated from
 8 Monte Carlo simulations for 1000 sets of garnet-clinopyroxene REE partition coefficients with
 9 normally distributed random noise as the analytical errors.

Electronic Supplementary Materials

A REE-in-Garnet-Clinopyroxene Thermobarometer for Eclogites, Granulites and Garnet Peridotites

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1. Further Test of the Garnet-Clinopyroxene REE Partitioning Model

Here we compare garnet-clinopyroxene REE and Y partition coefficients predicted by Eqs. (6, 7a-c, and 8a-c) with those derived from mineral-melt partitioning experiments and with those measured in additional well-equilibrated mantle eclogite xenoliths from various locations. The partitioning experiments were conducted at 1100-1900 °C and 3-12 GPa, and produced clinopyroxene and garnet coexisting with melts (Green et al., 2000; Klemme et al., 2002; Adam and Green, 2006; Tuff and Gibson, 2007; Suzuki et al., 2012). Partitioning data from these experiments have been used to independently calibrate our clinopyroxene-melt and garnet-melt REE partitioning models except the clinopyroxene-melt partitioning data from Tuff and Gibson (2007) and Suzuki et al. (2012).

In addition to the well-equilibrated mantle xenoliths from the Roberts Victor kimberlite, South Africa (Type II eclogites; Harte and Kirkley, 1997; Huang et al., 2012) used in Sun and Liang (2013a), here we further expand our field test by considering well-equilibrated eclogites from the Udachnaya kimberlite, Siberia (Group 2 eclogites; Jacob and Foley, 1999), the Koidu kimberlite complex, West Africa (low-MgO eclogites; Barth et al., 2001), and the Jericho kimberlite, Canada (diamond eclogites; Smart et al., 2009). Note the garnets from these mantle eclogites are more Fe-rich than those used in the model calibrations (Fig. 2b). To calculate the garnet-clinopyroxene REE and Y partition coefficients, we used the reported final equilibrium temperatures for the partitioning experiments, and calculated the equilibrium temperatures of the eclogite xenoliths using the garnet-clinopyroxene Fe-Mg thermometer of Krogh (1988) at an assumed pressure of 3 GPa.

Supplementary Figs. S1a-b show that the garnet-clinopyroxene REE and Y partition coefficients derived from Eqs. (6, 7a-c, and 8a-c) are generally in very good agreement with those measured from the partitioning experiments and well-equilibrated mantle eclogite xenoliths, respectively. The outliers are light REEs and presumably can be attributed to poor analytical

precisions or secondary alterations. Since the lattice strain parameters for REE partitioning in clinopyroxene and garnet were calibrated independently at magmatic conditions, the good agreement not only confirms their internal consistencies but also further justifies their extrapolation to subsolidus conditions and to more Fe-rich garnet (Fig. 2b).

Additional Reference

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Supplementary Figures

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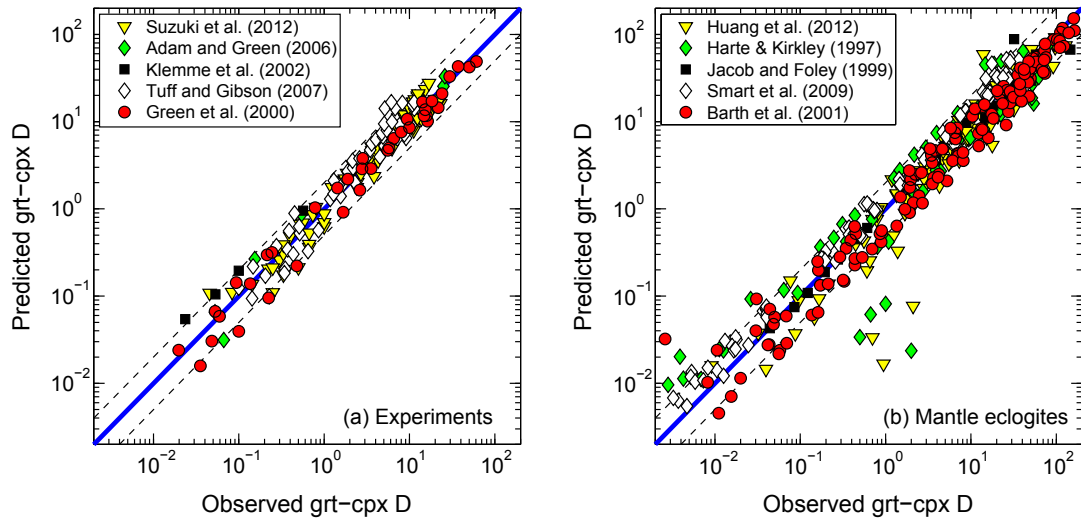


Figure S1 Comparisons of model-derived and measured REE and Y partition coefficients between garnet and clinopyroxene for partitioning experiments with coexisting garnet and clinopyroxene (a) and well-equilibrated mantle eclogite xenoliths (b) in the literature. Solid blue lines are 1:1 lines, and dashed lines are 1:2 and 2:1 lines. See text in the Supplementary Materials for details of these experiments and xenoliths.

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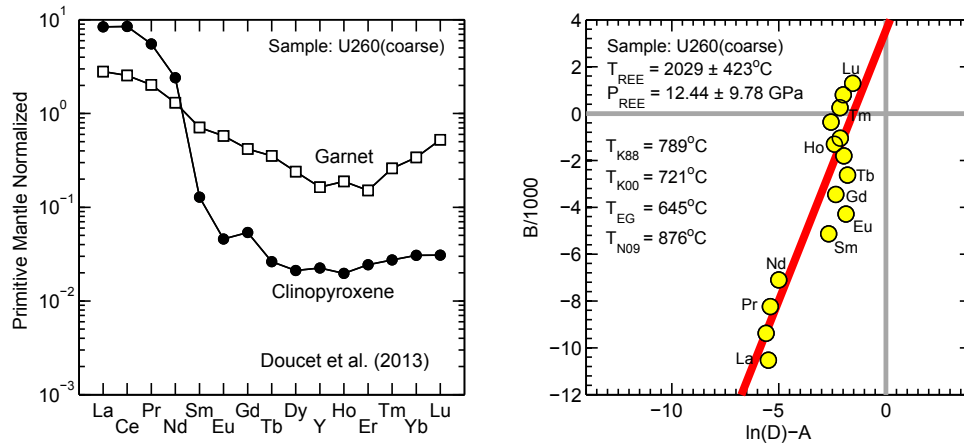


Figure S2 Inversion of the temperature and pressure from REE abundances in garnet and clinopyroxene for an eclogite with REEs in disequilibrium. The mineral compositions of the eclogite are from Doucet et al. (2013). (a) shows the primitive mantle normalized REE abundances in garnet and clinopyroxene, and (b) shows the inversion of the temperature and pressure through linear least squares regression analysis.

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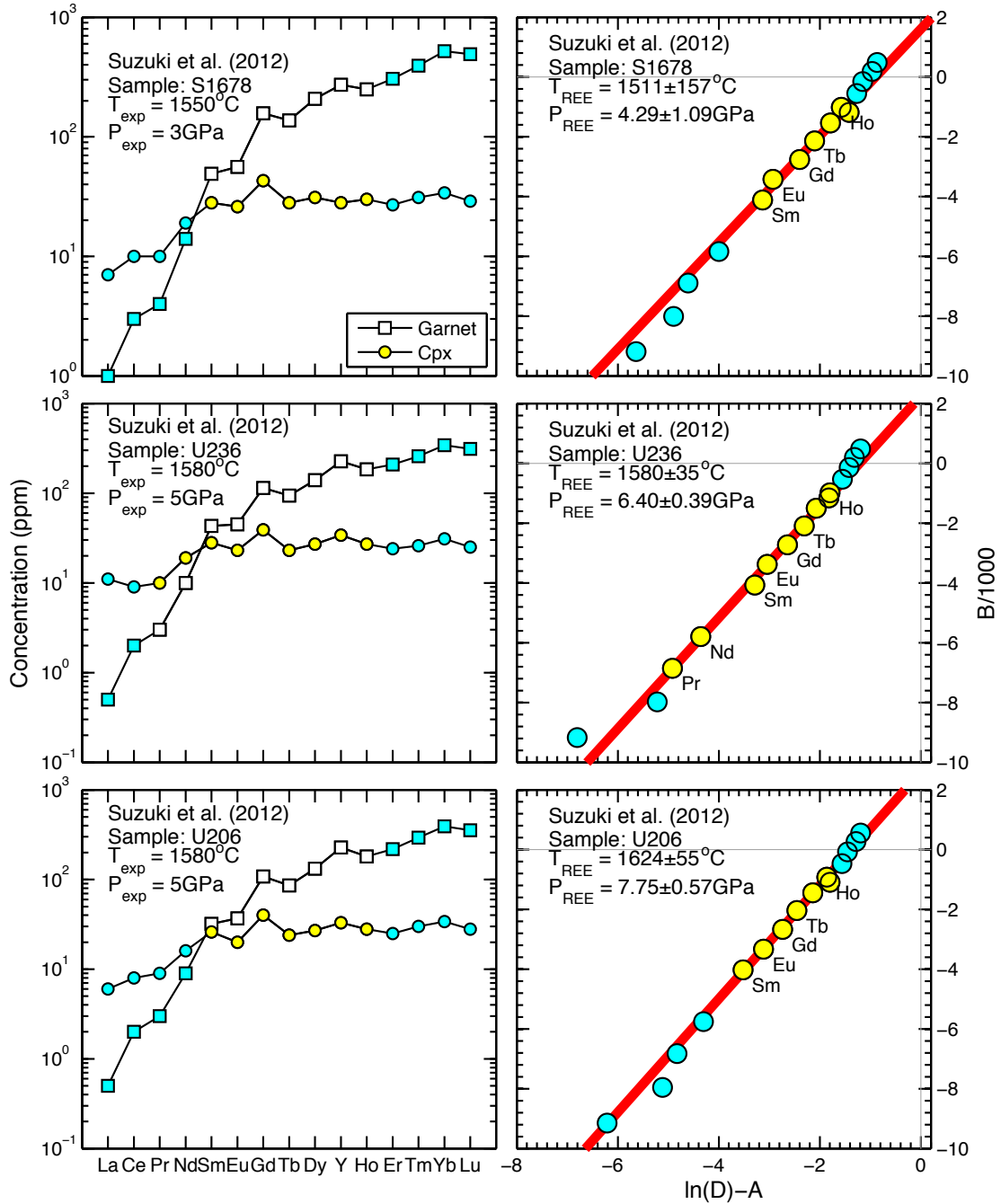


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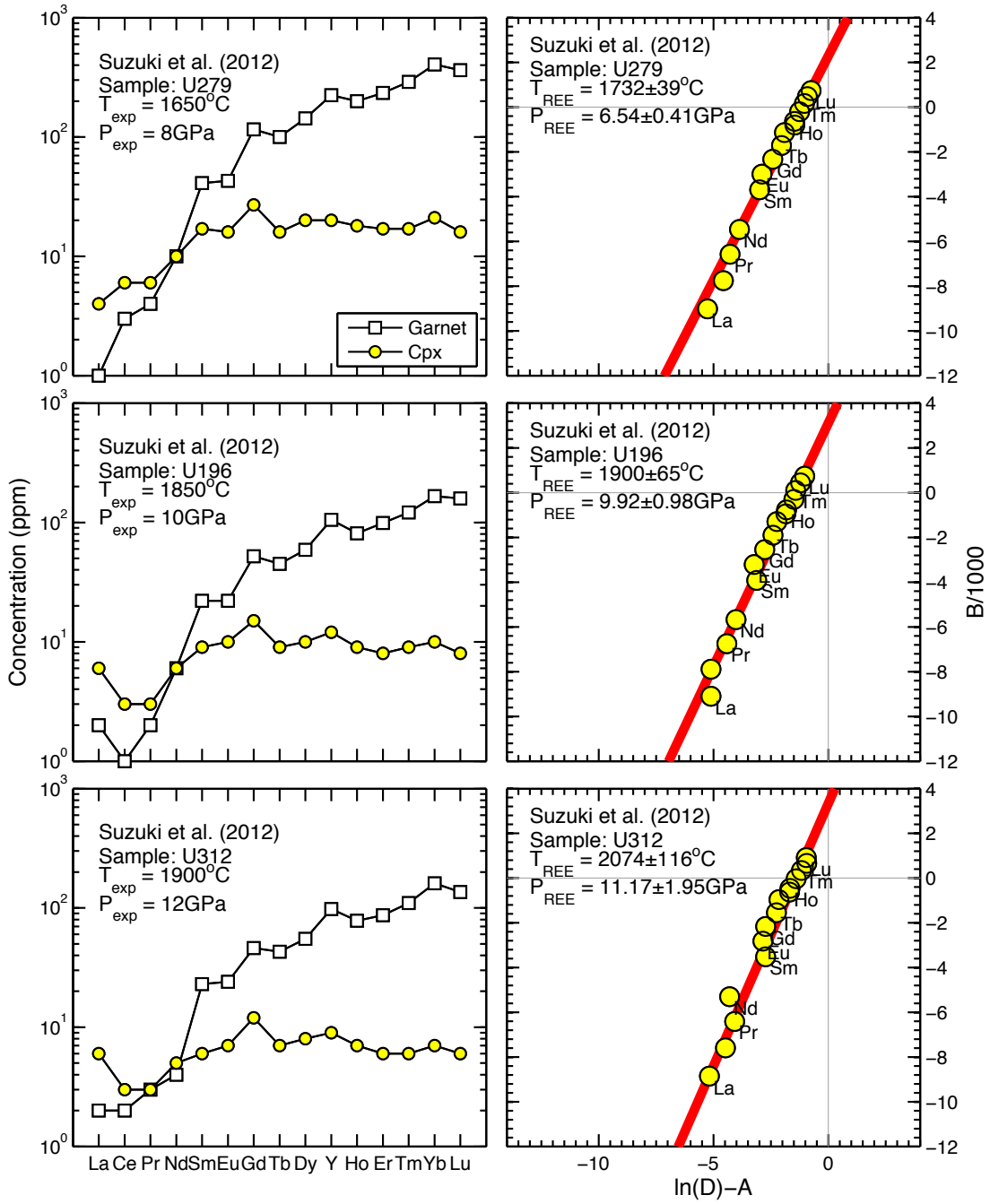


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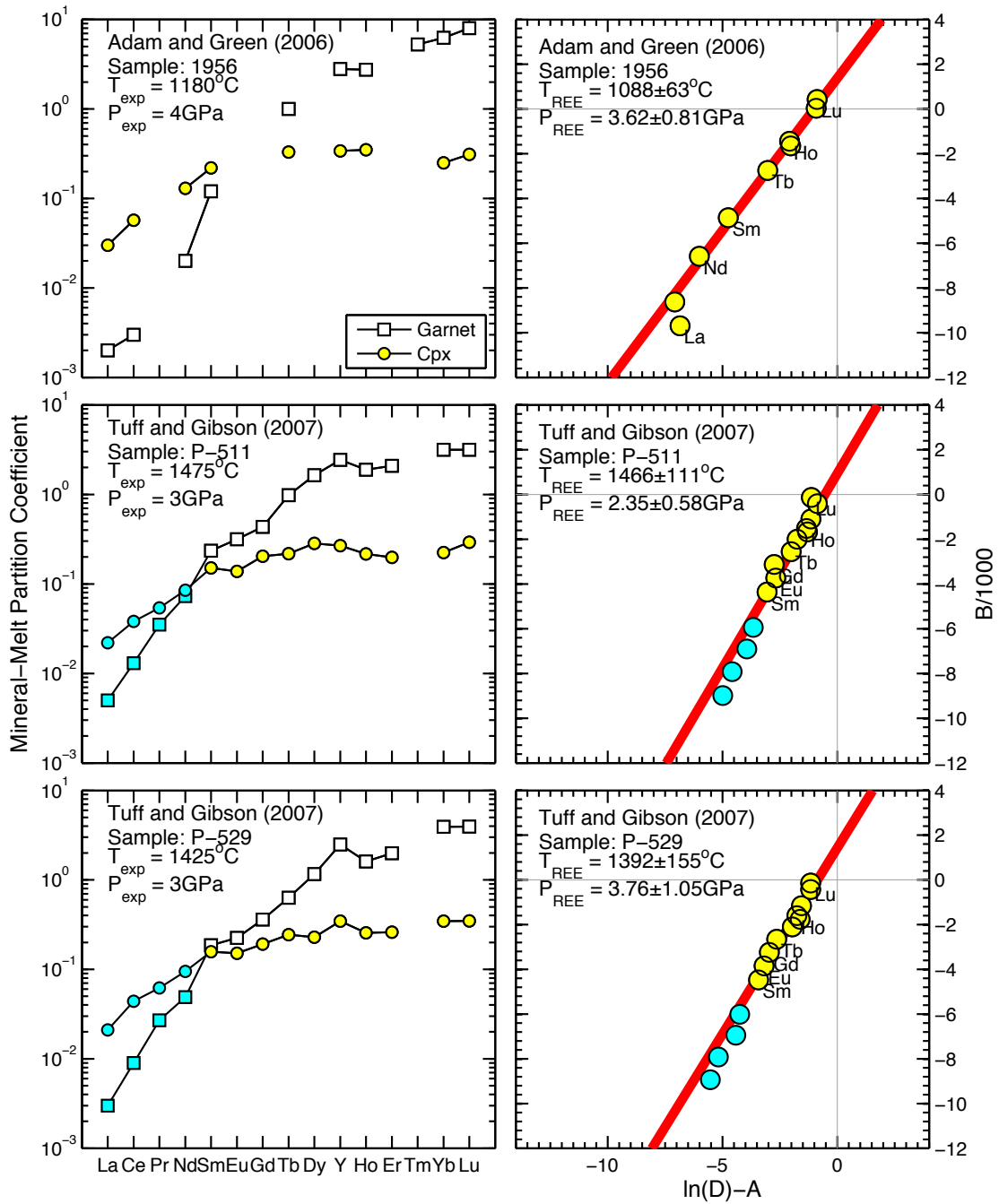


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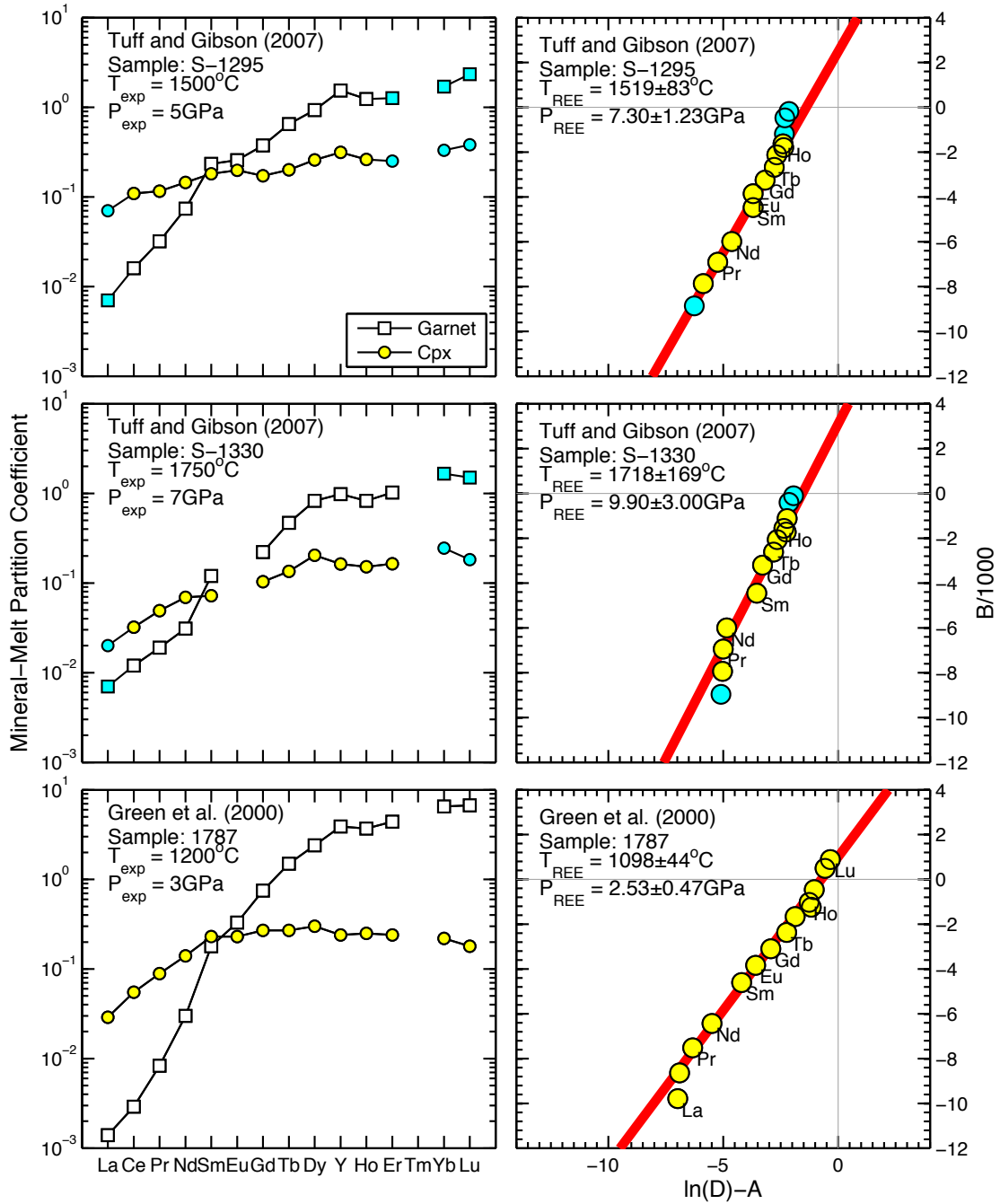


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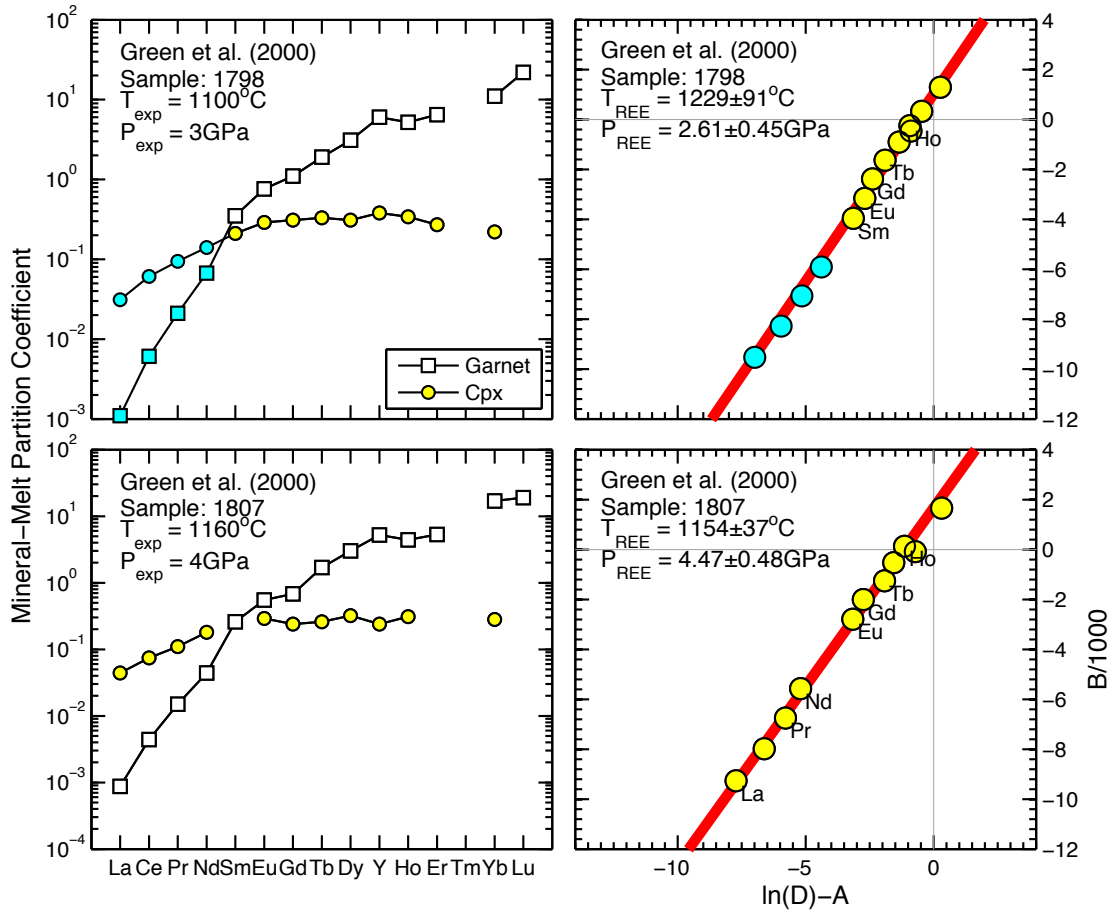


Figure S3 Inversions of the temperatures and pressures from REE abundances in garnet and clinopyroxene for the individual partitioning experiments from the literature.

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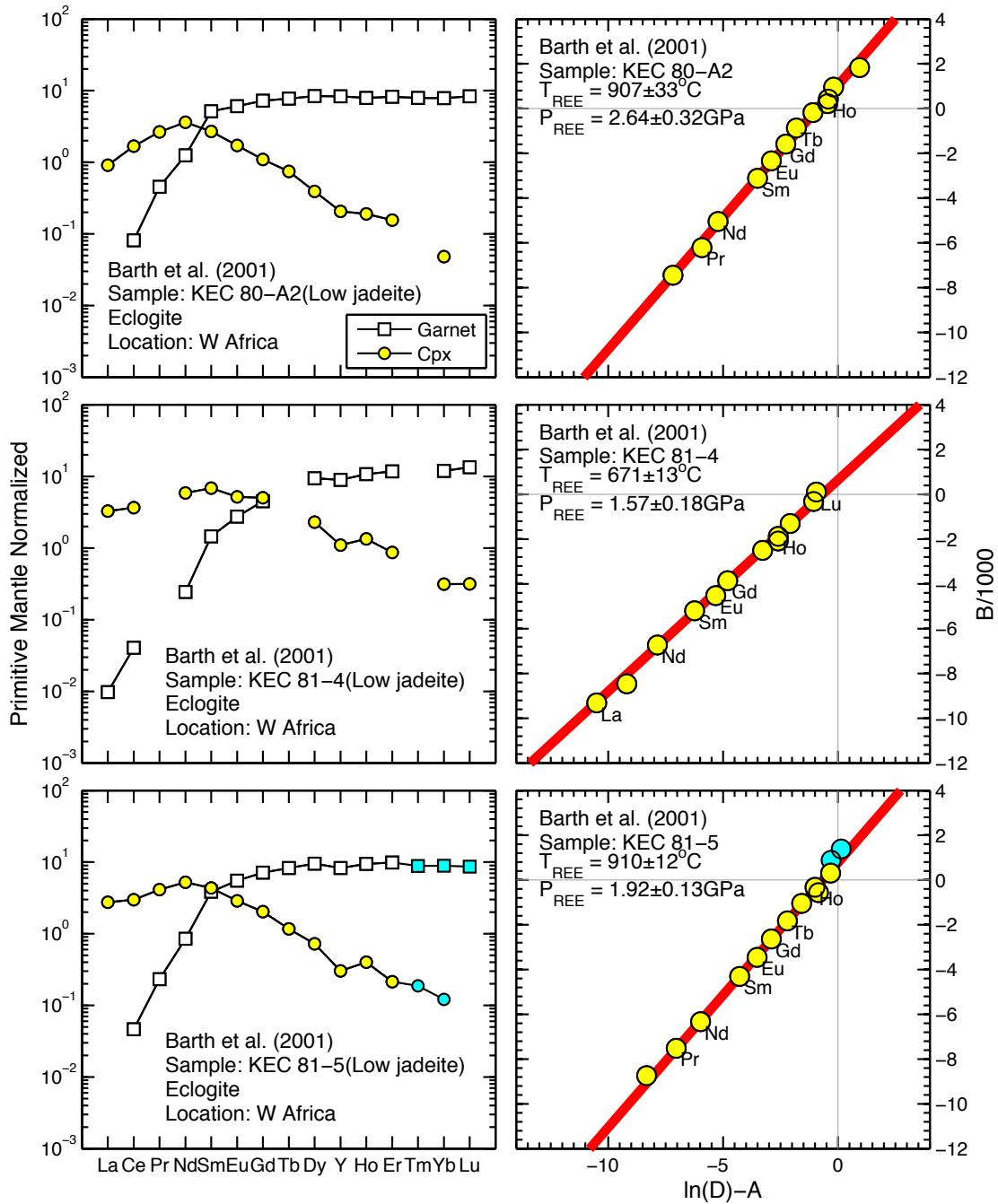


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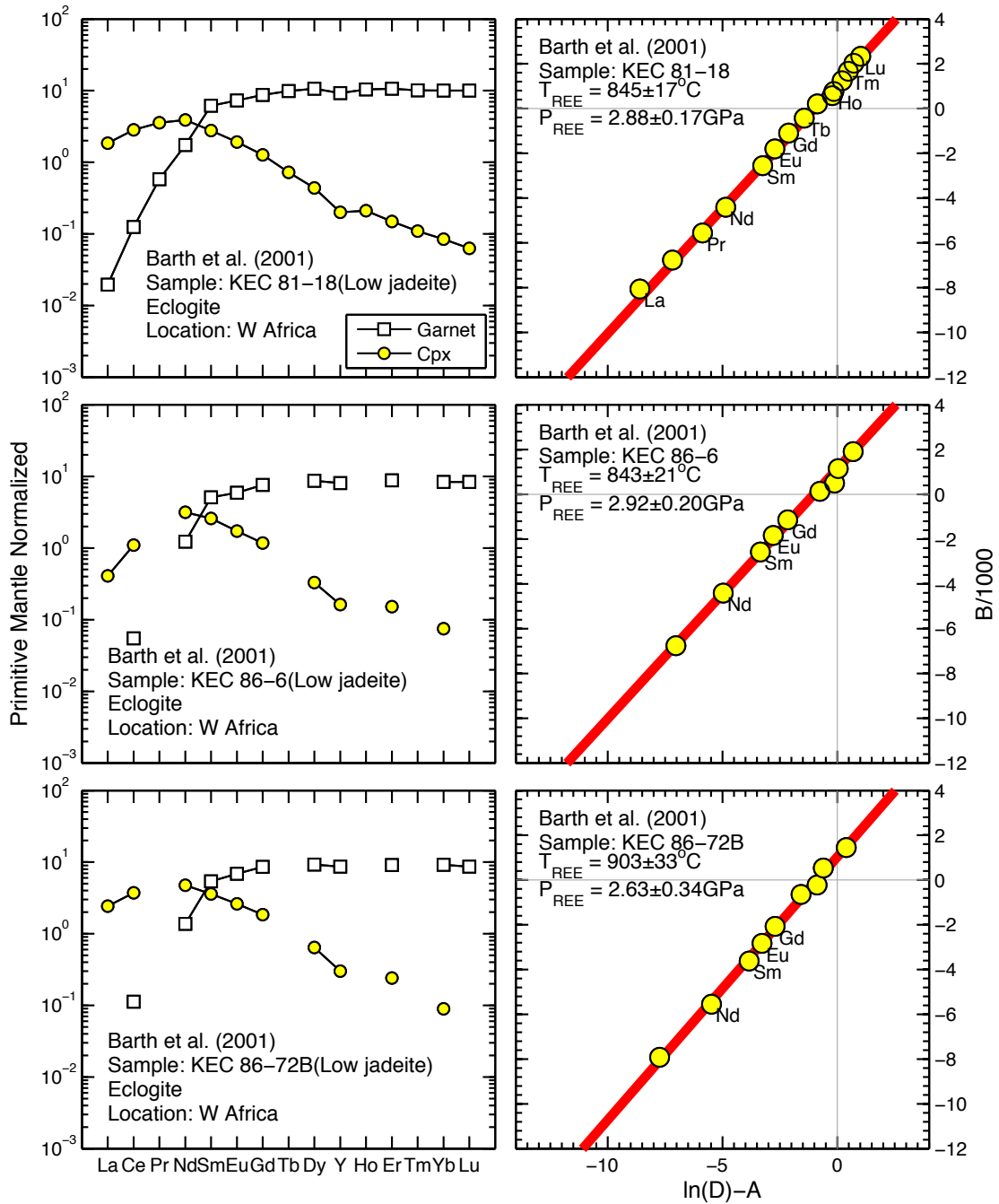


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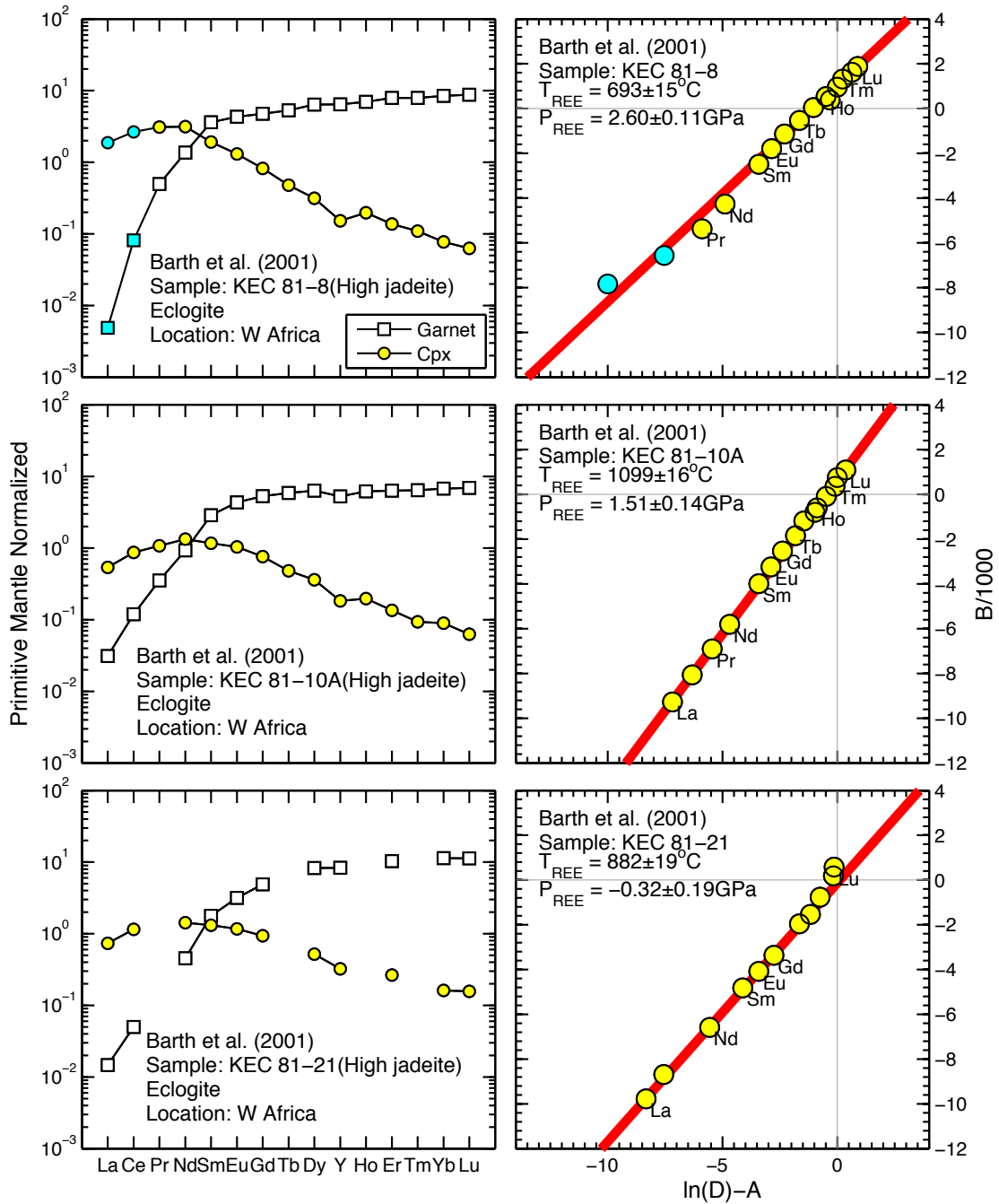


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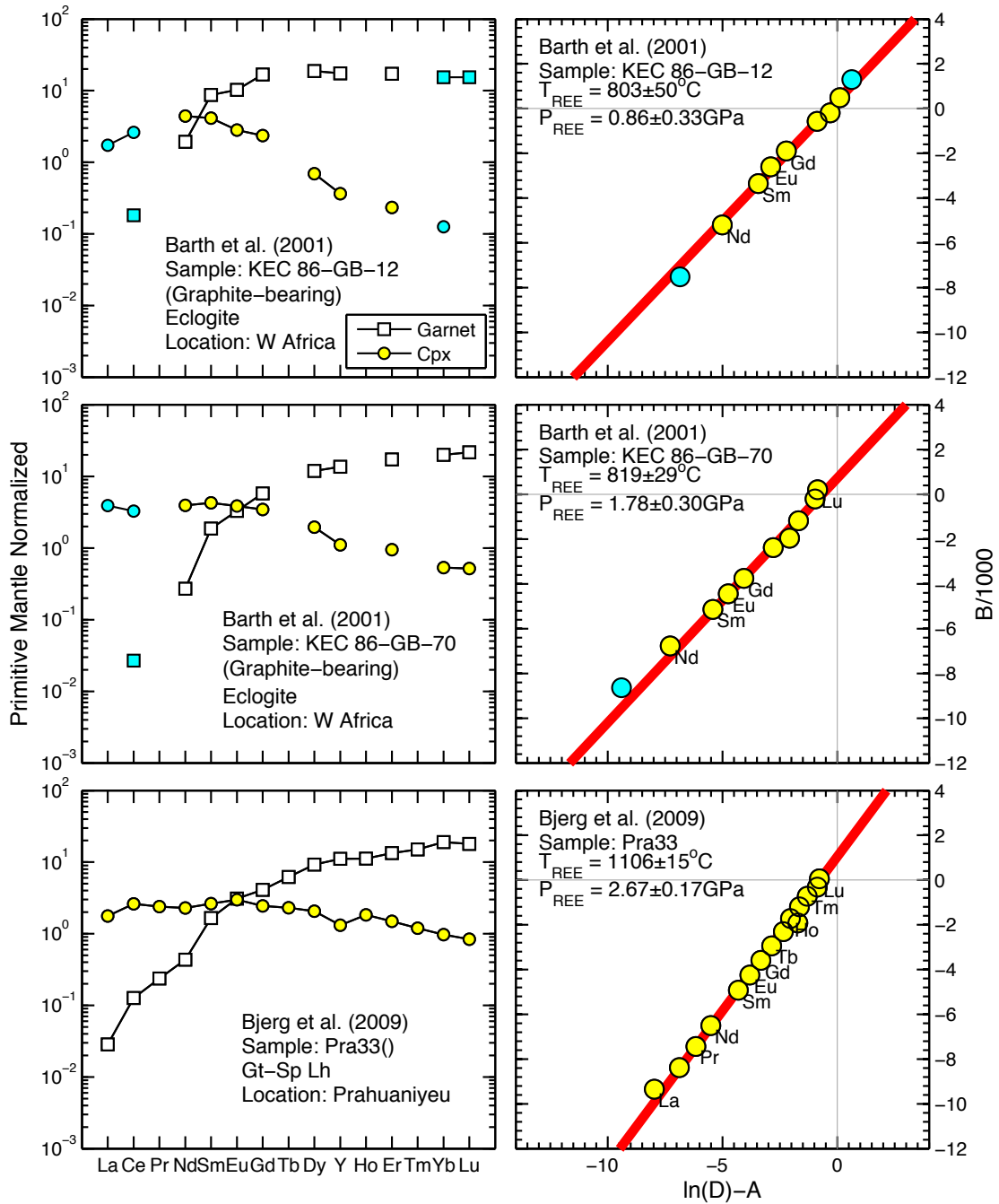


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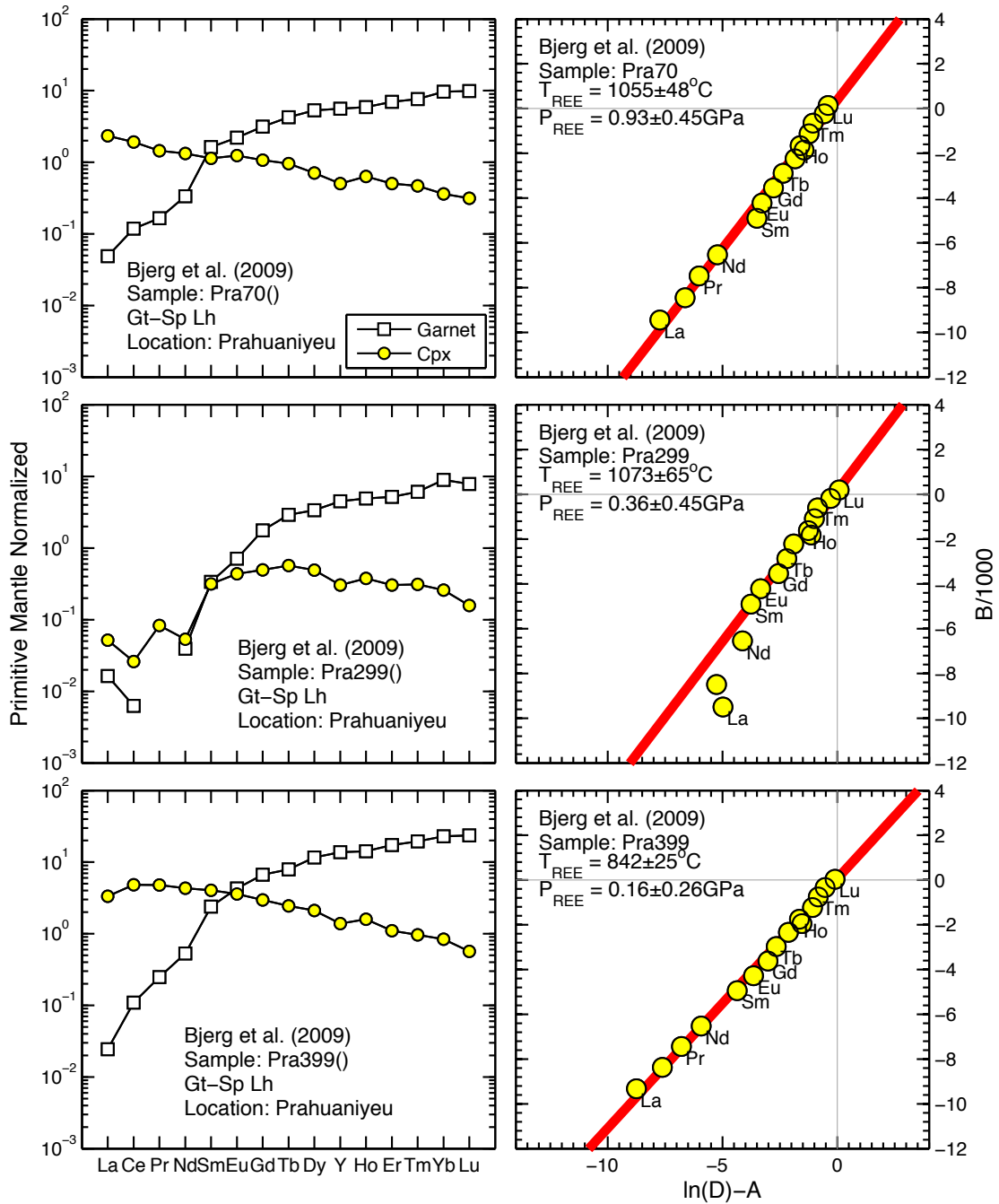


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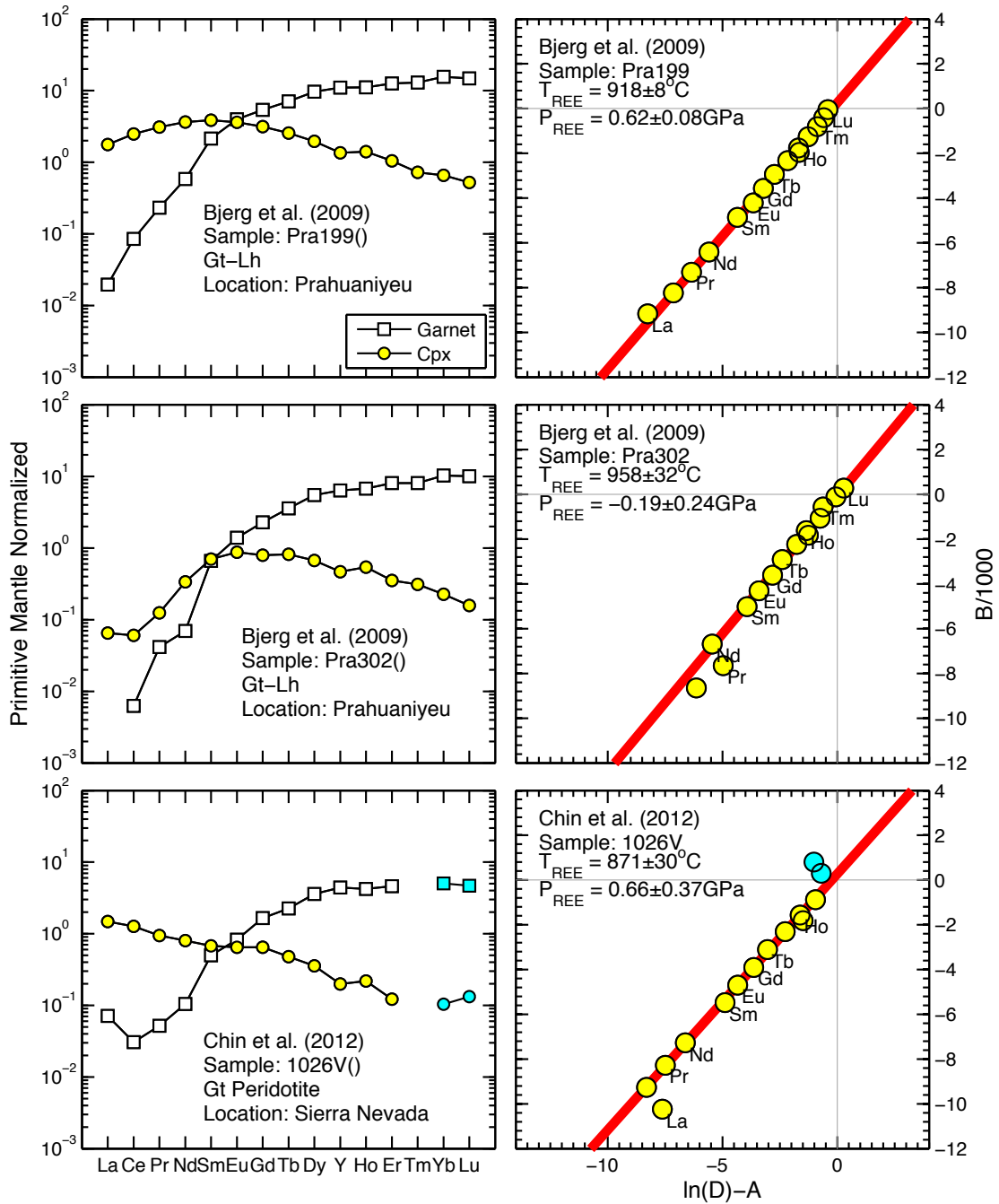


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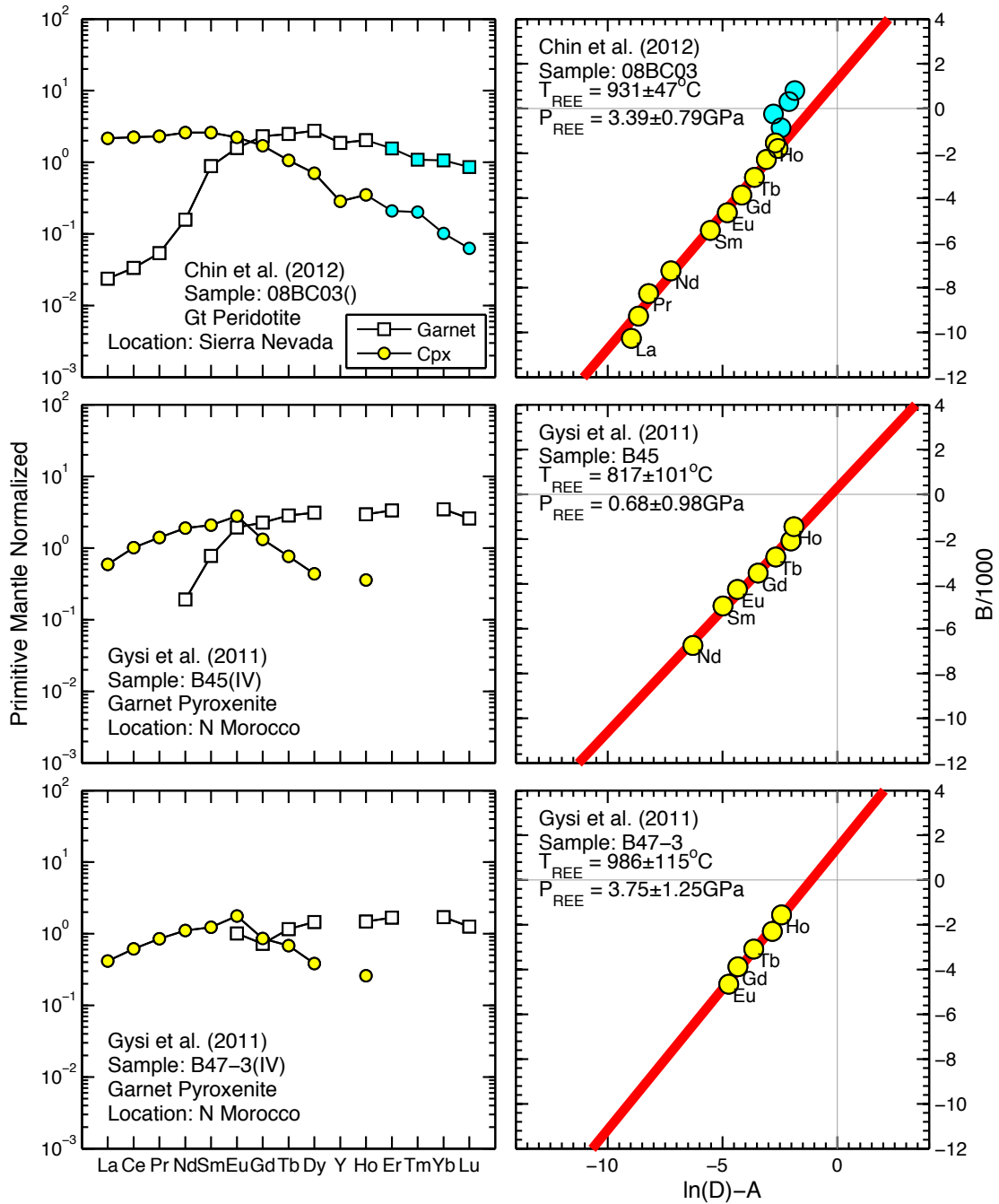


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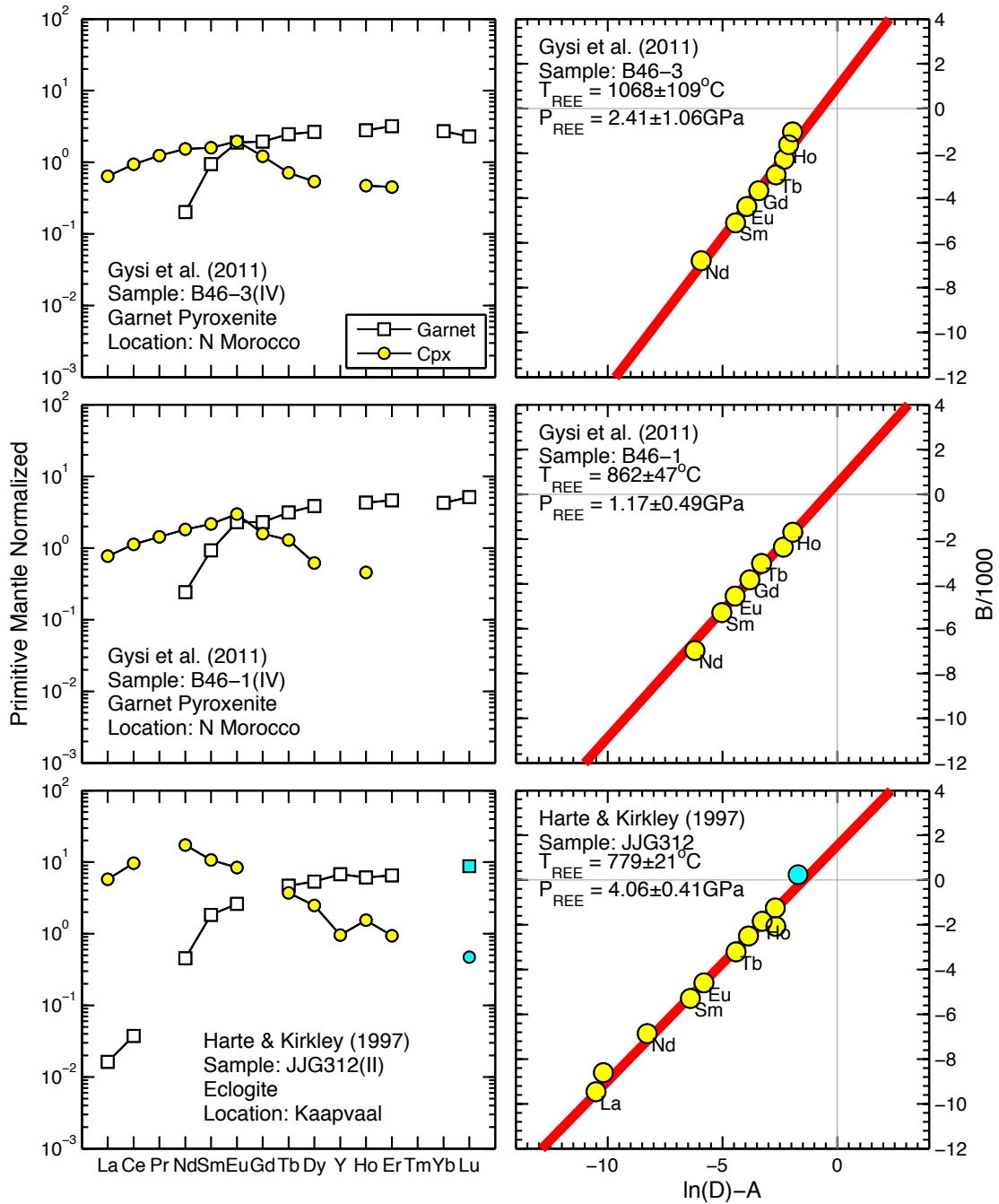


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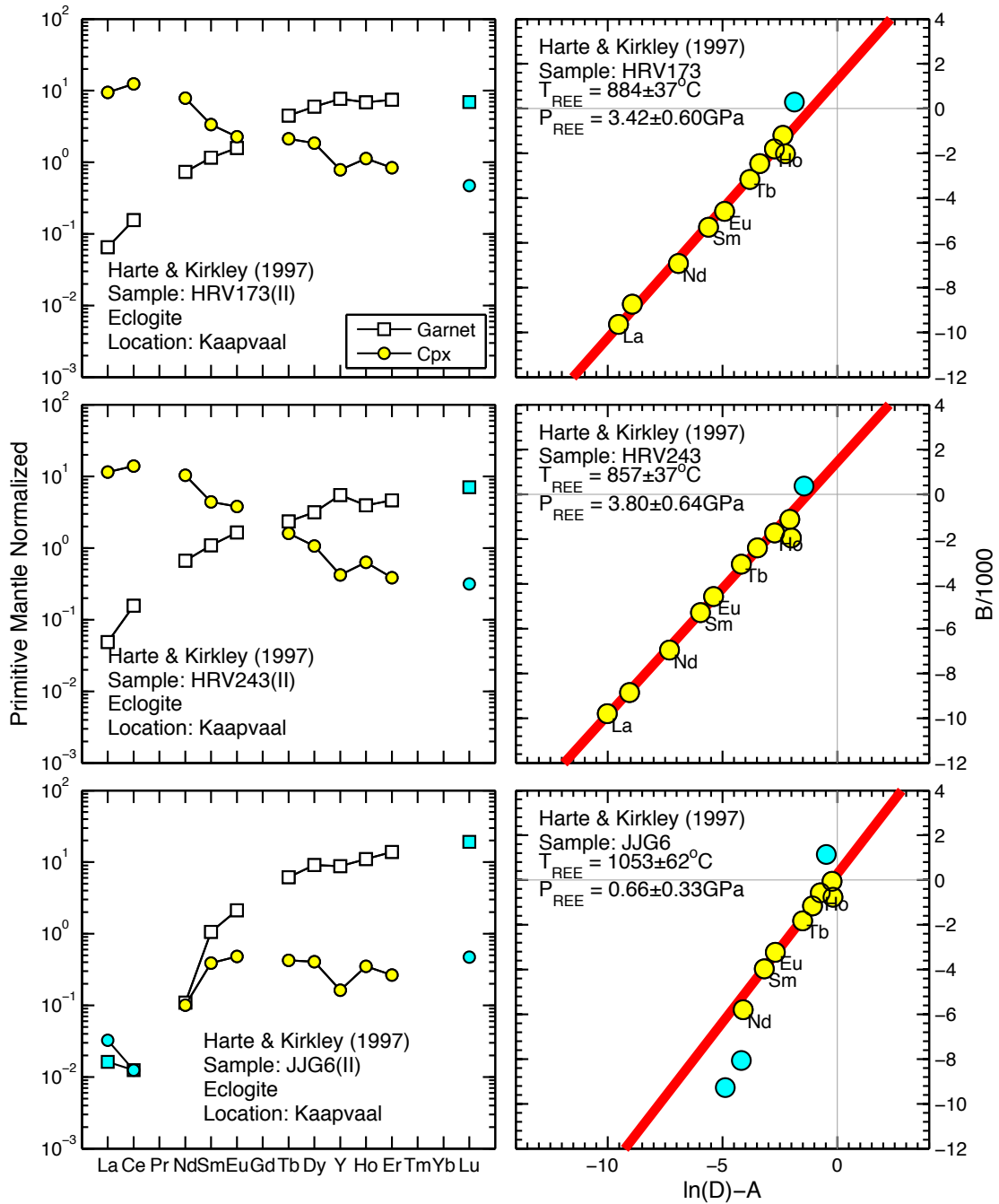


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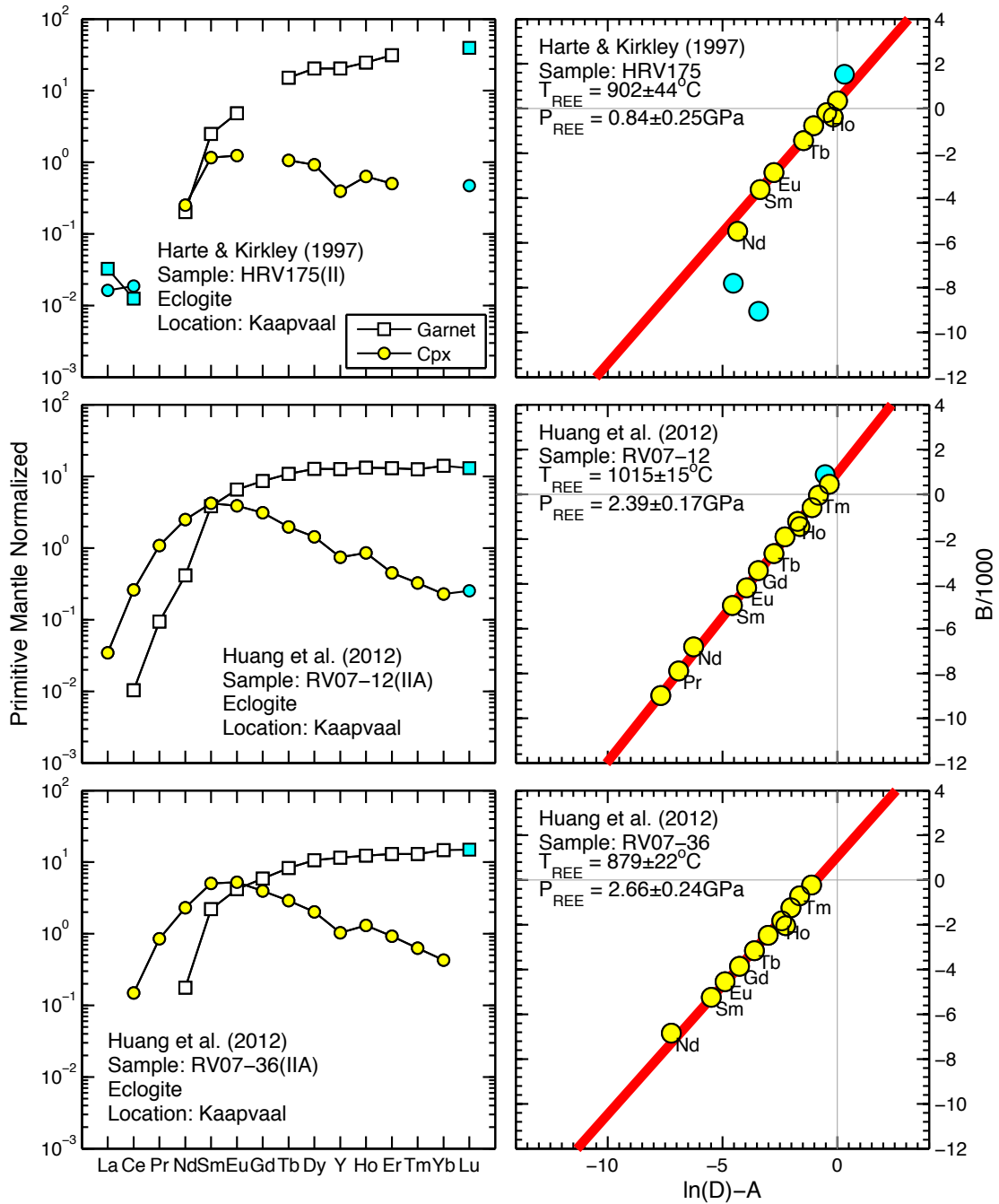


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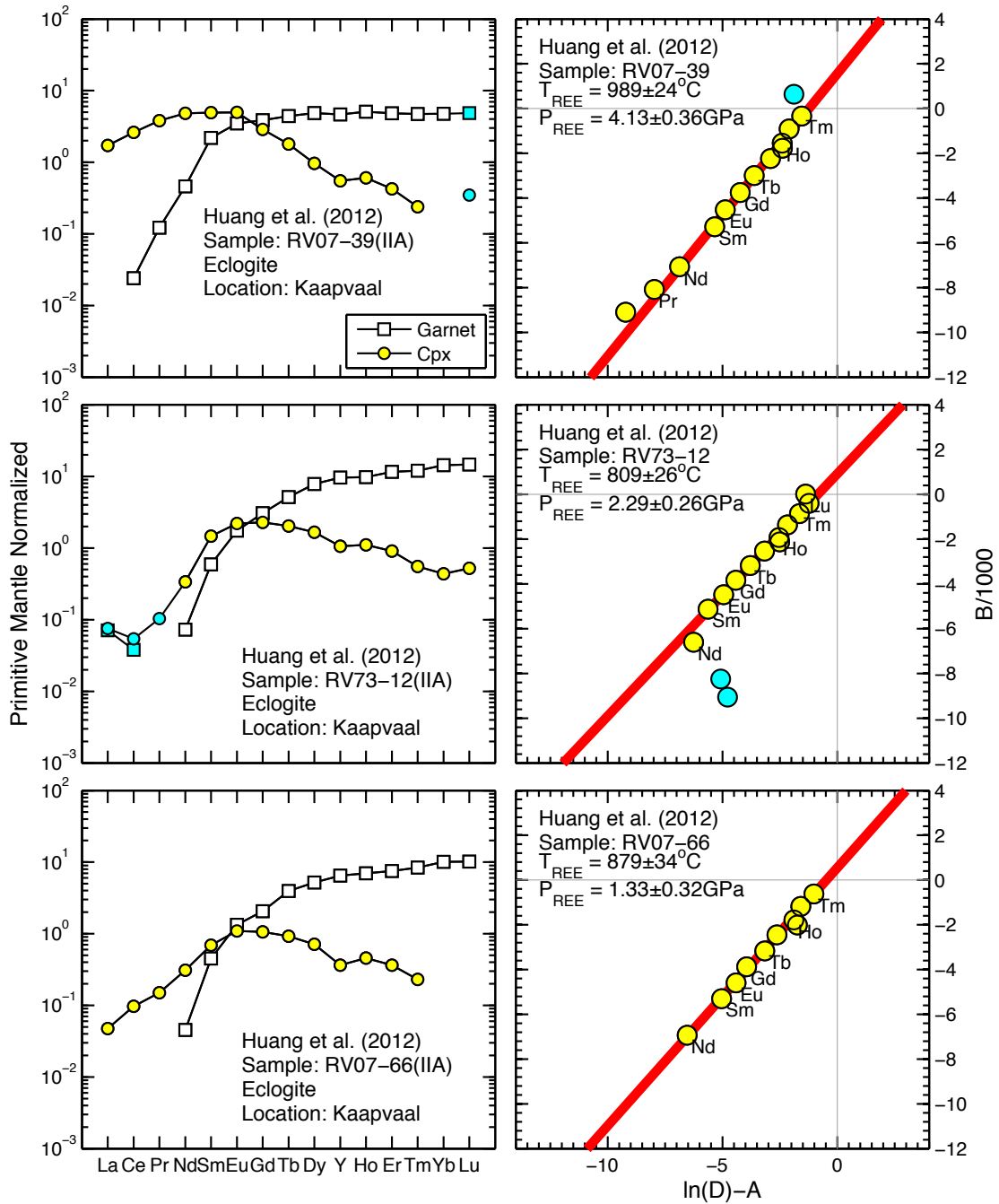


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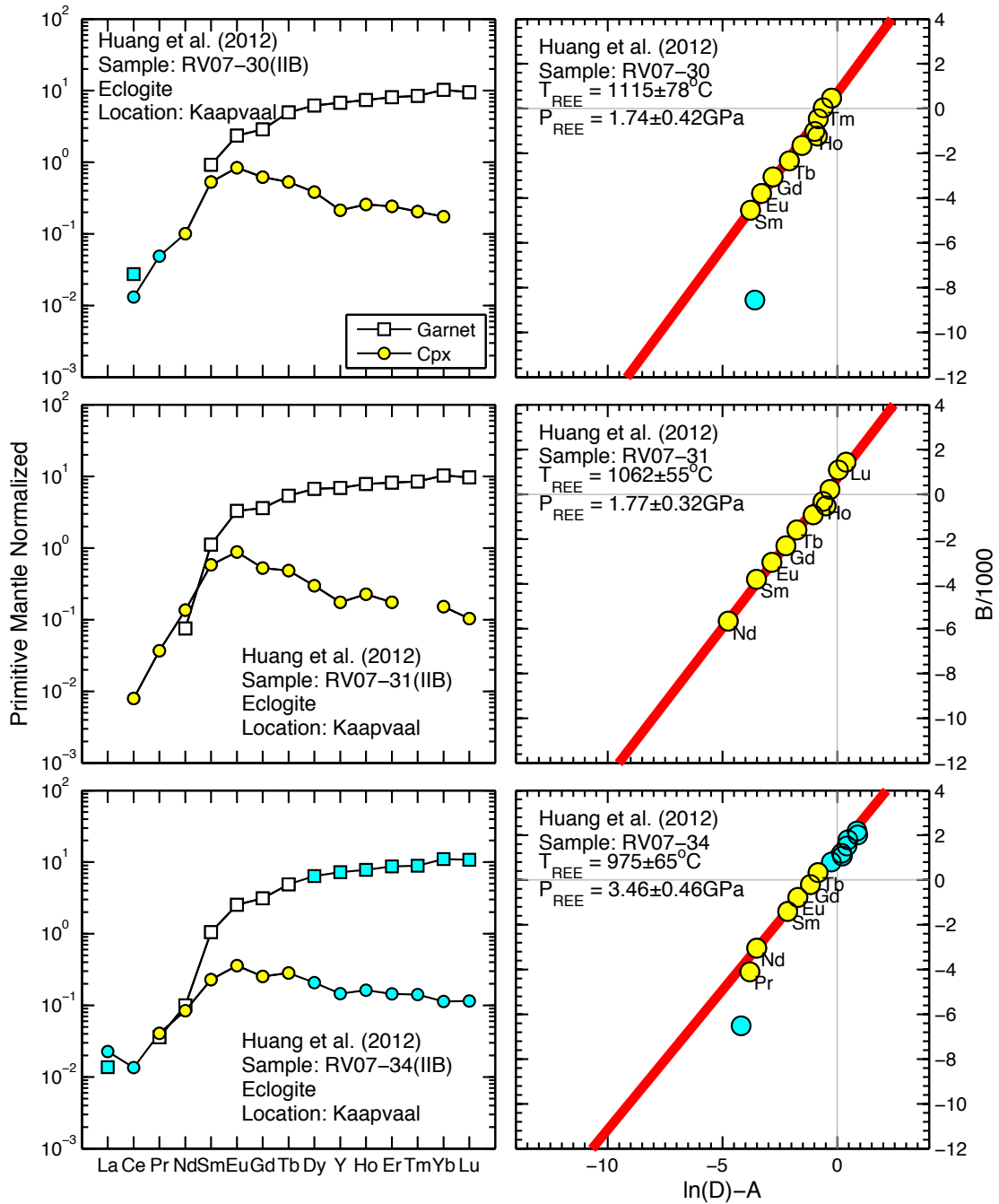


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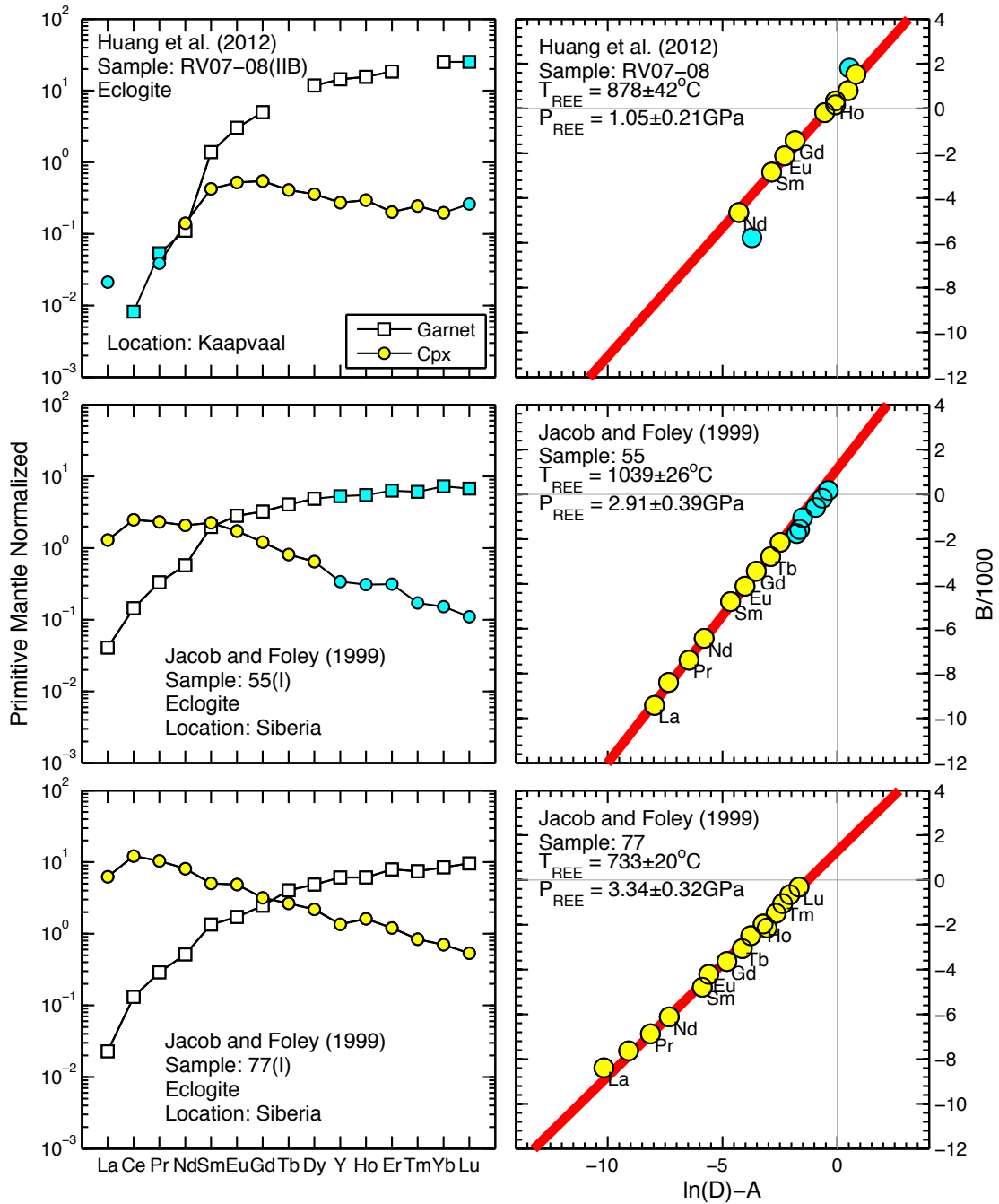


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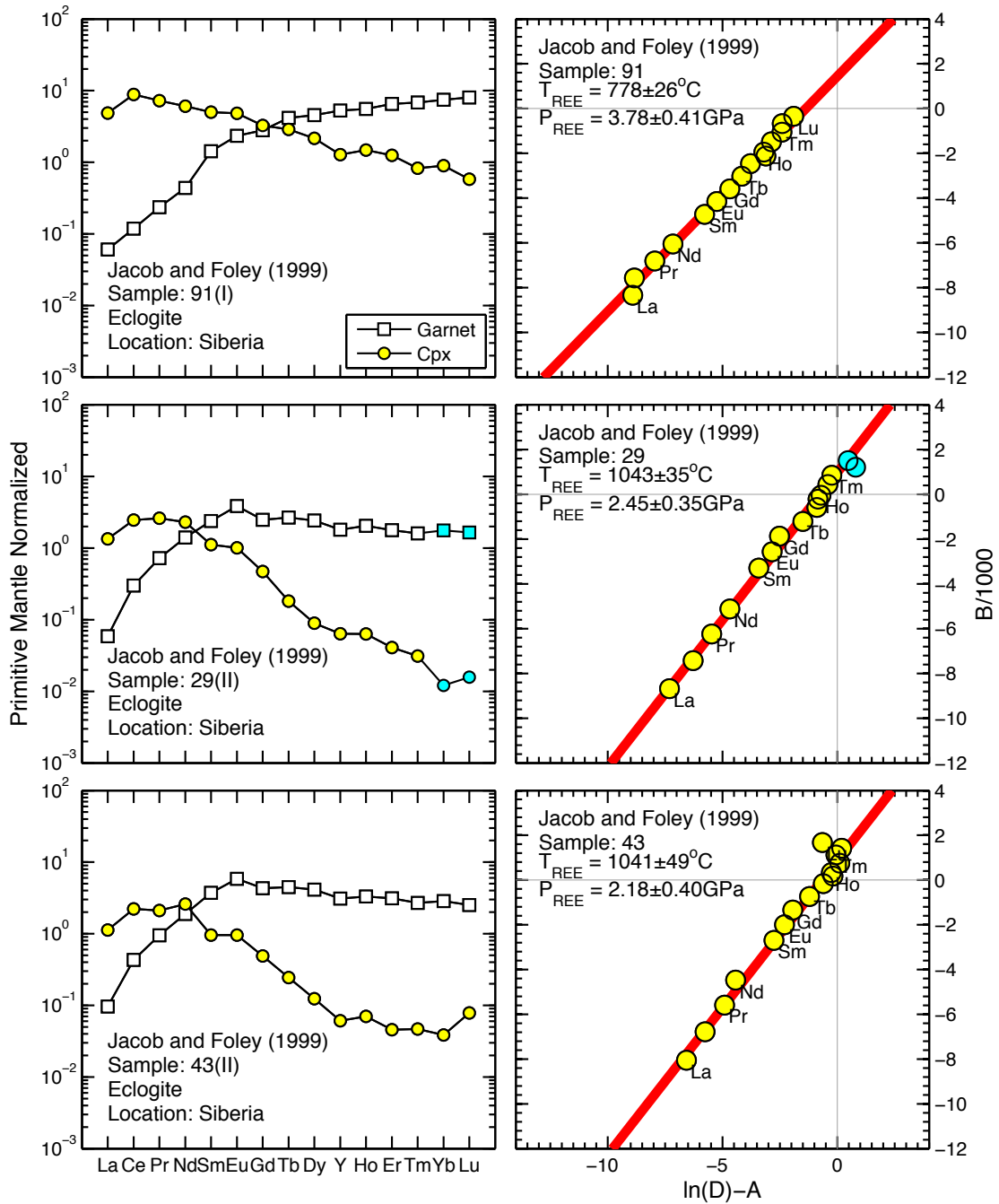


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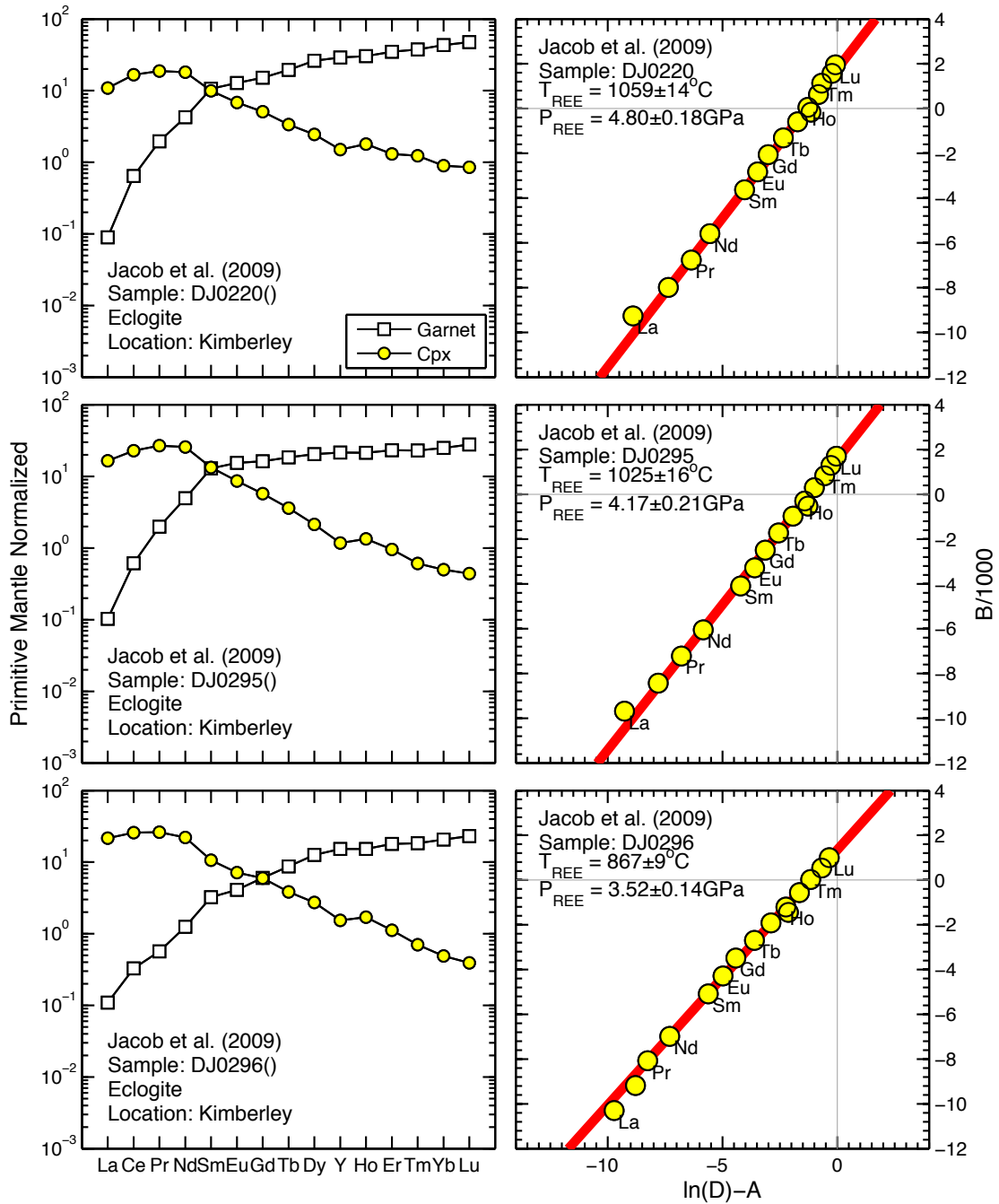


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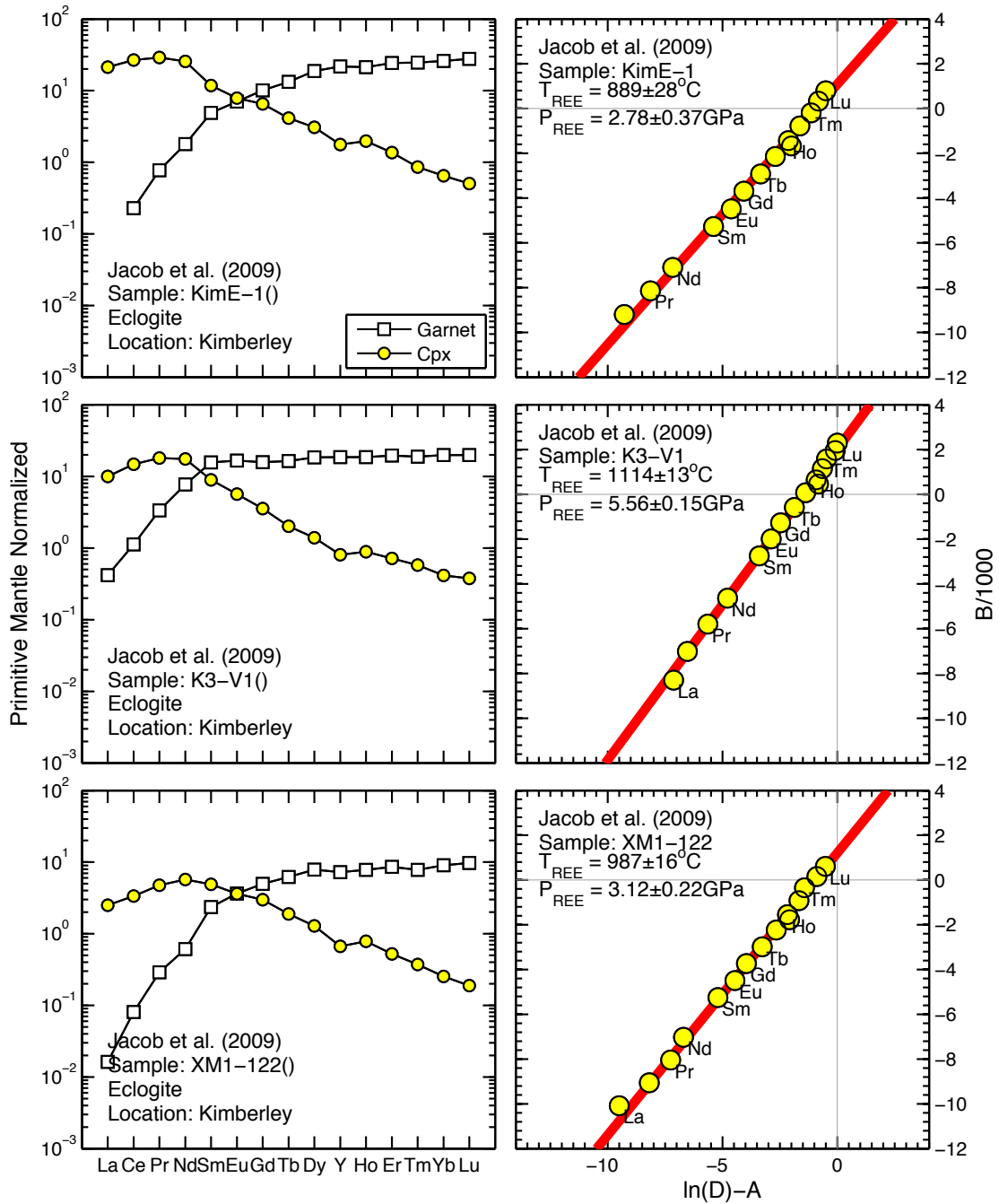


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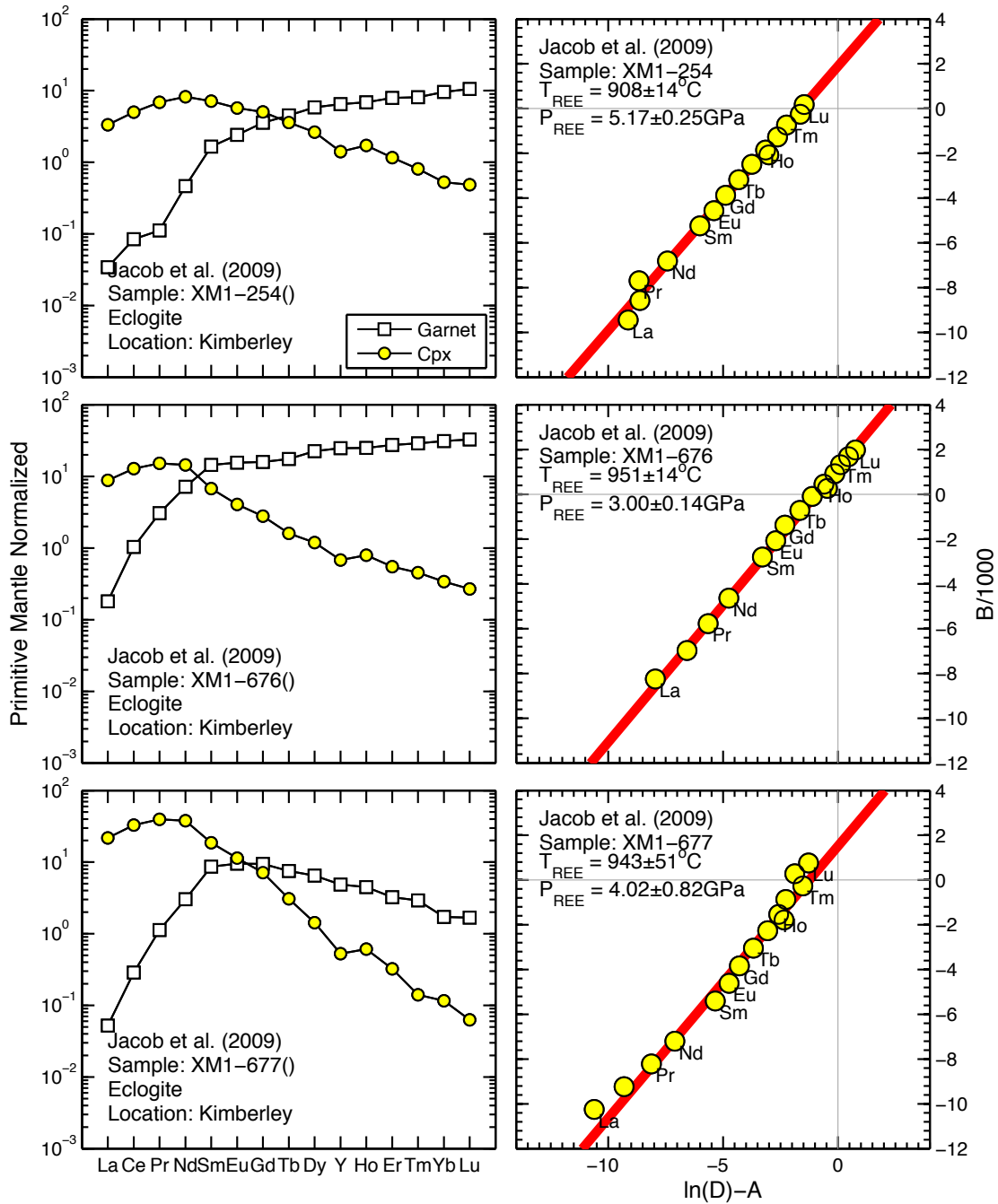


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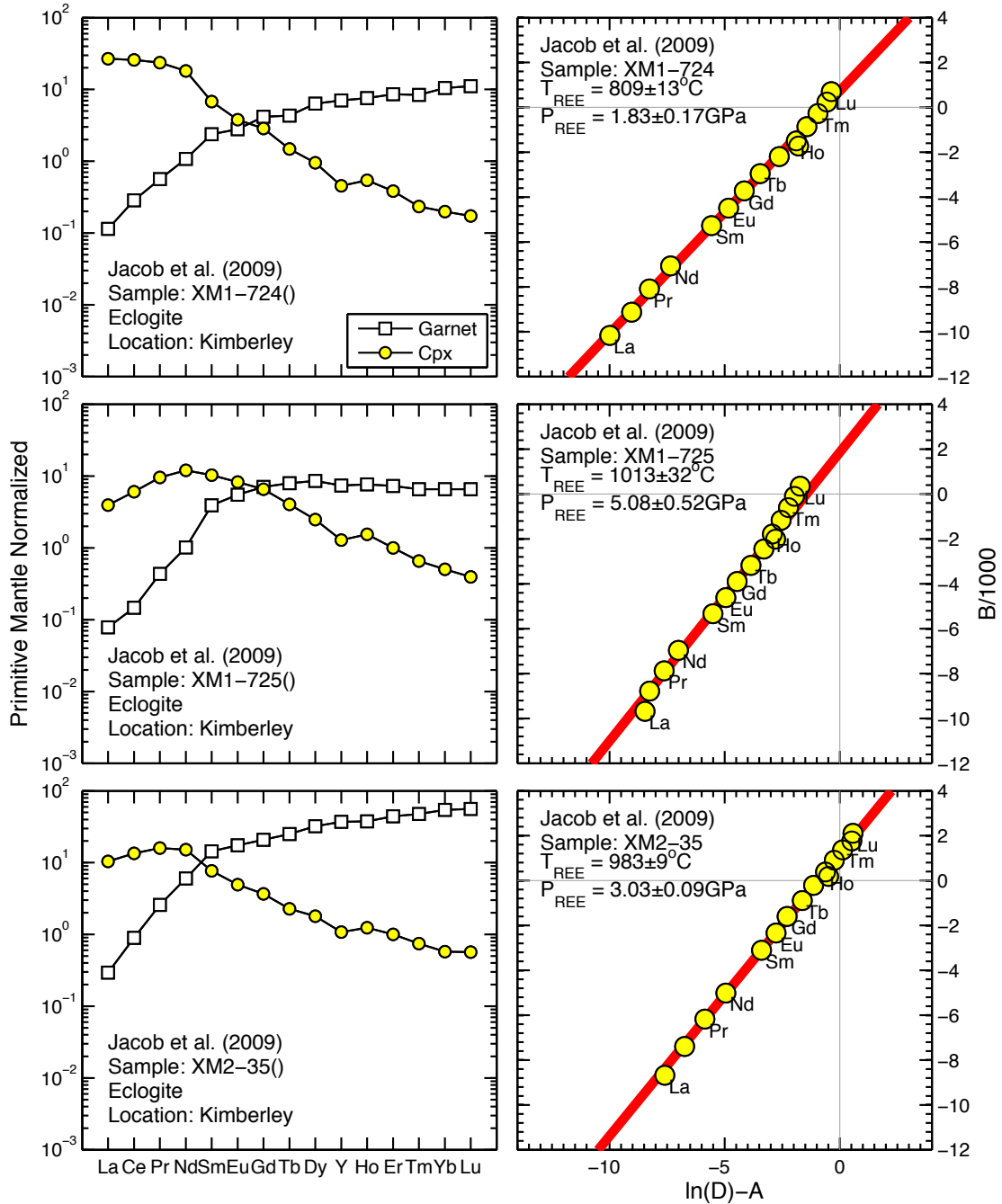


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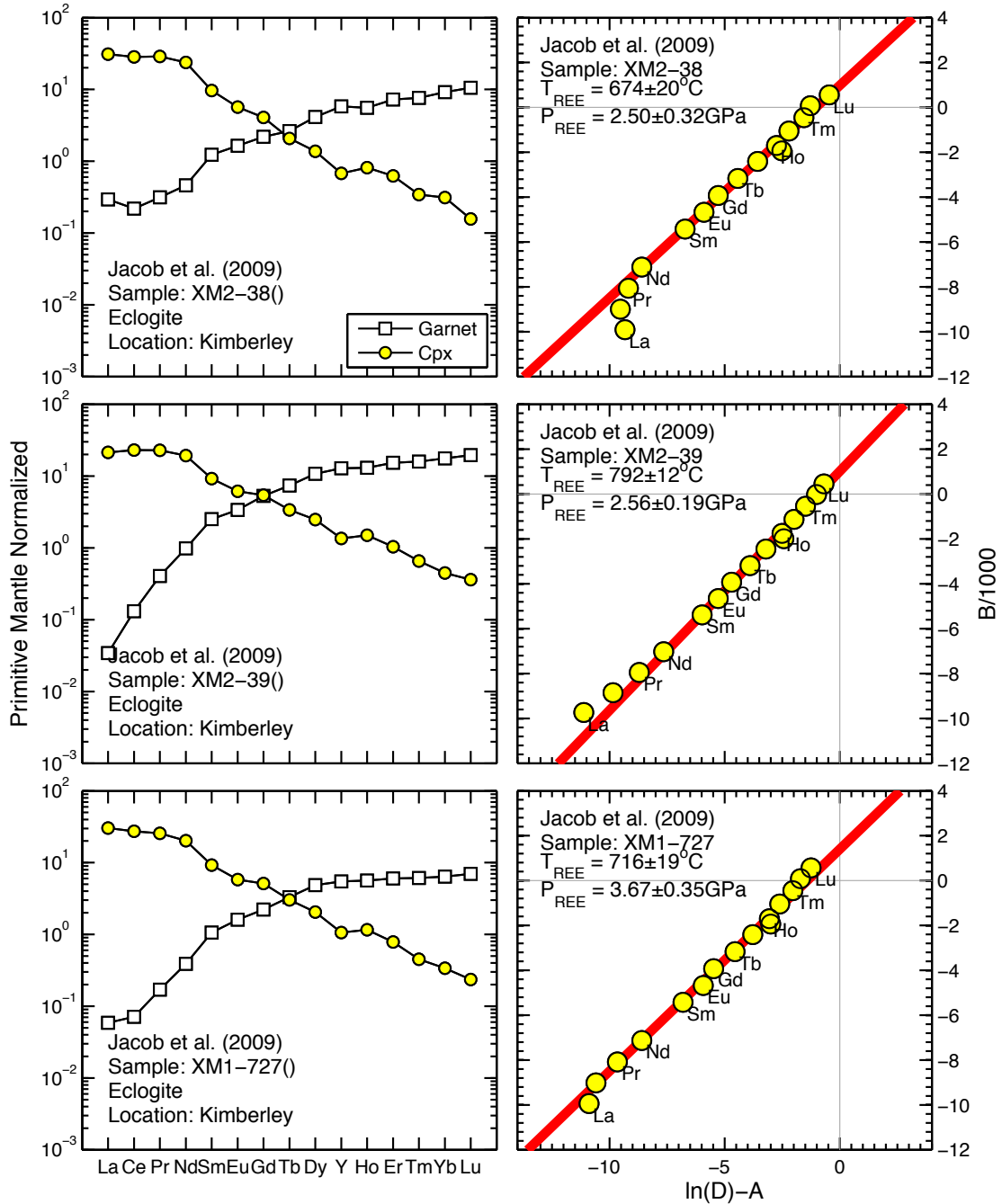


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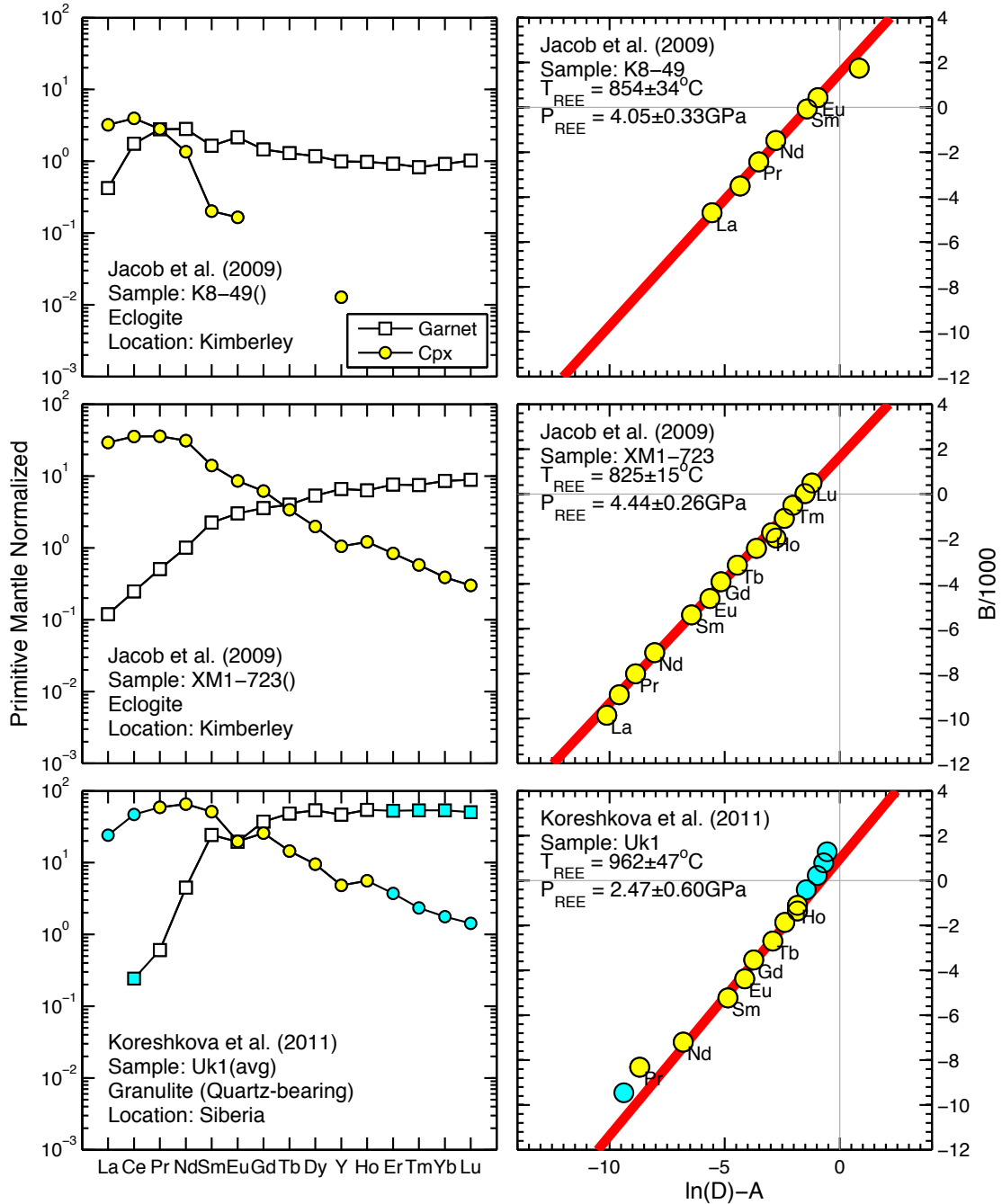


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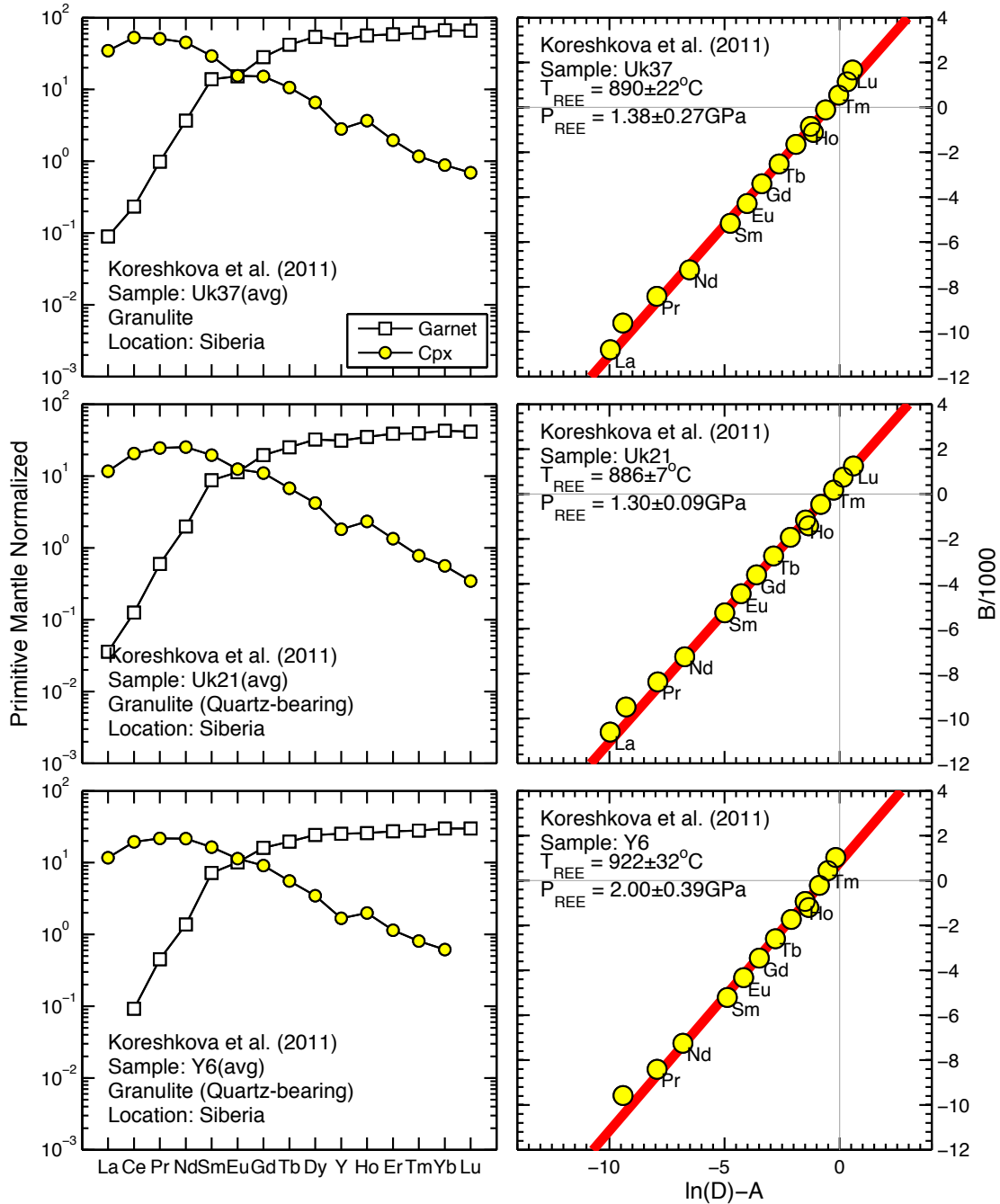


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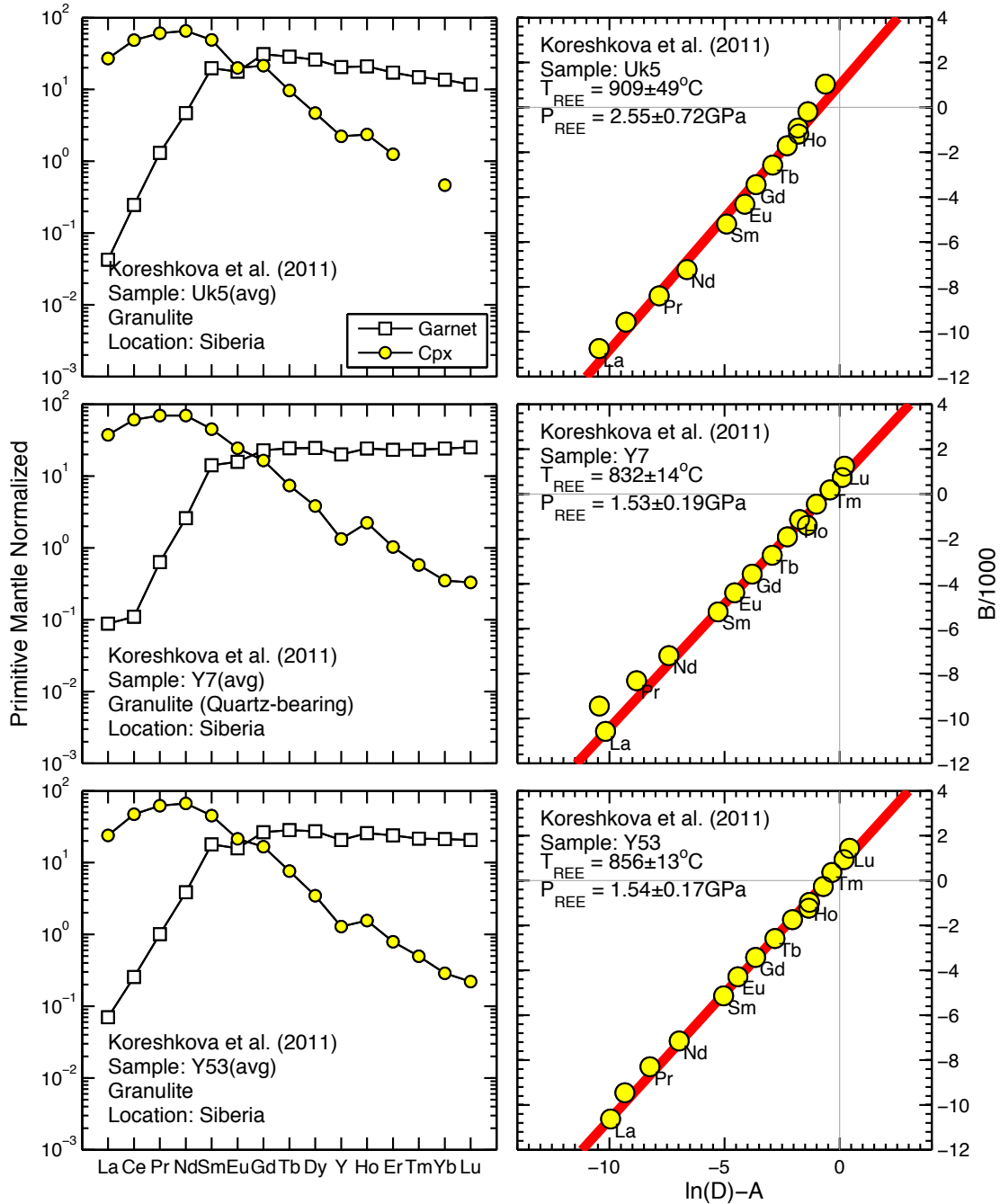


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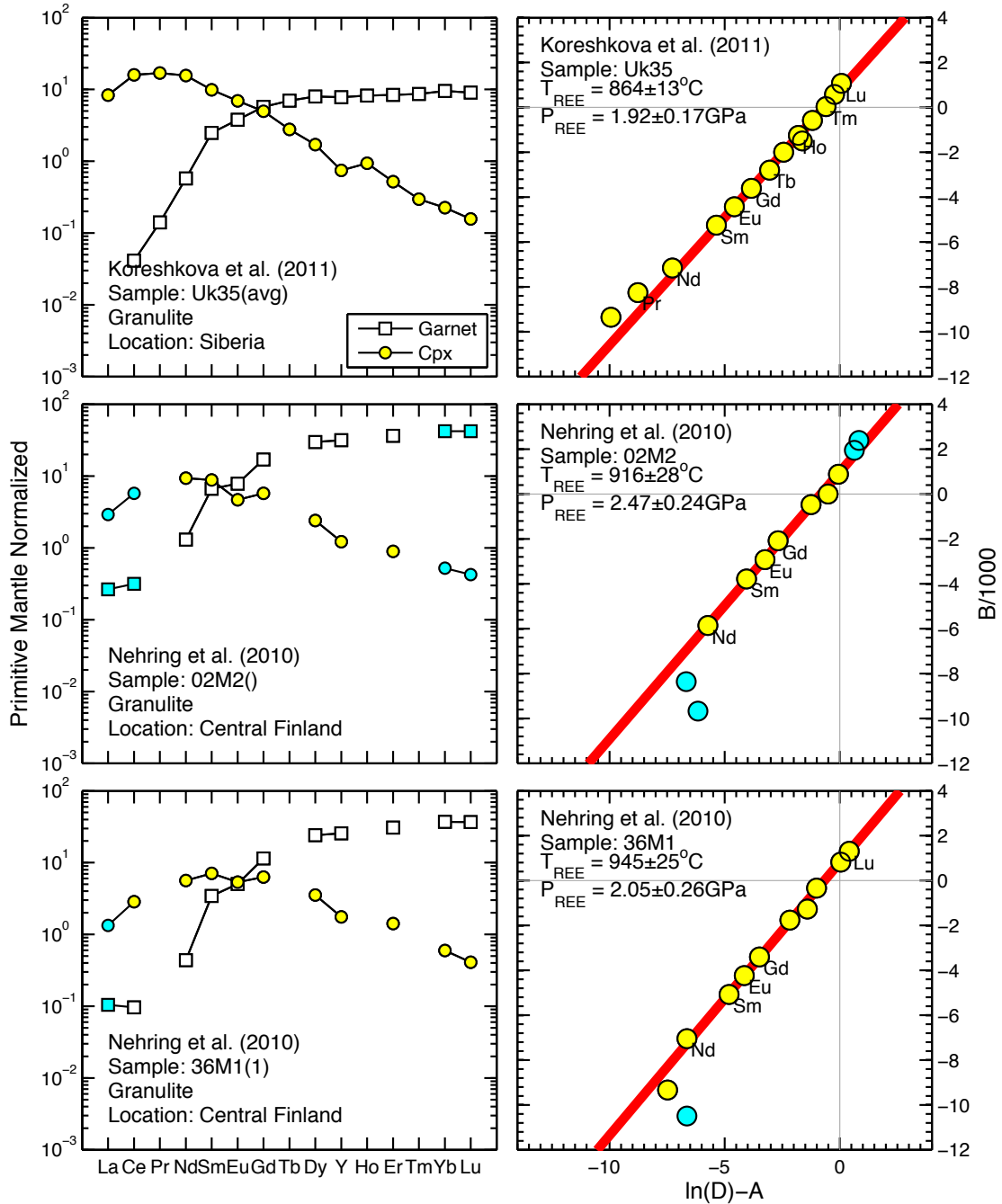


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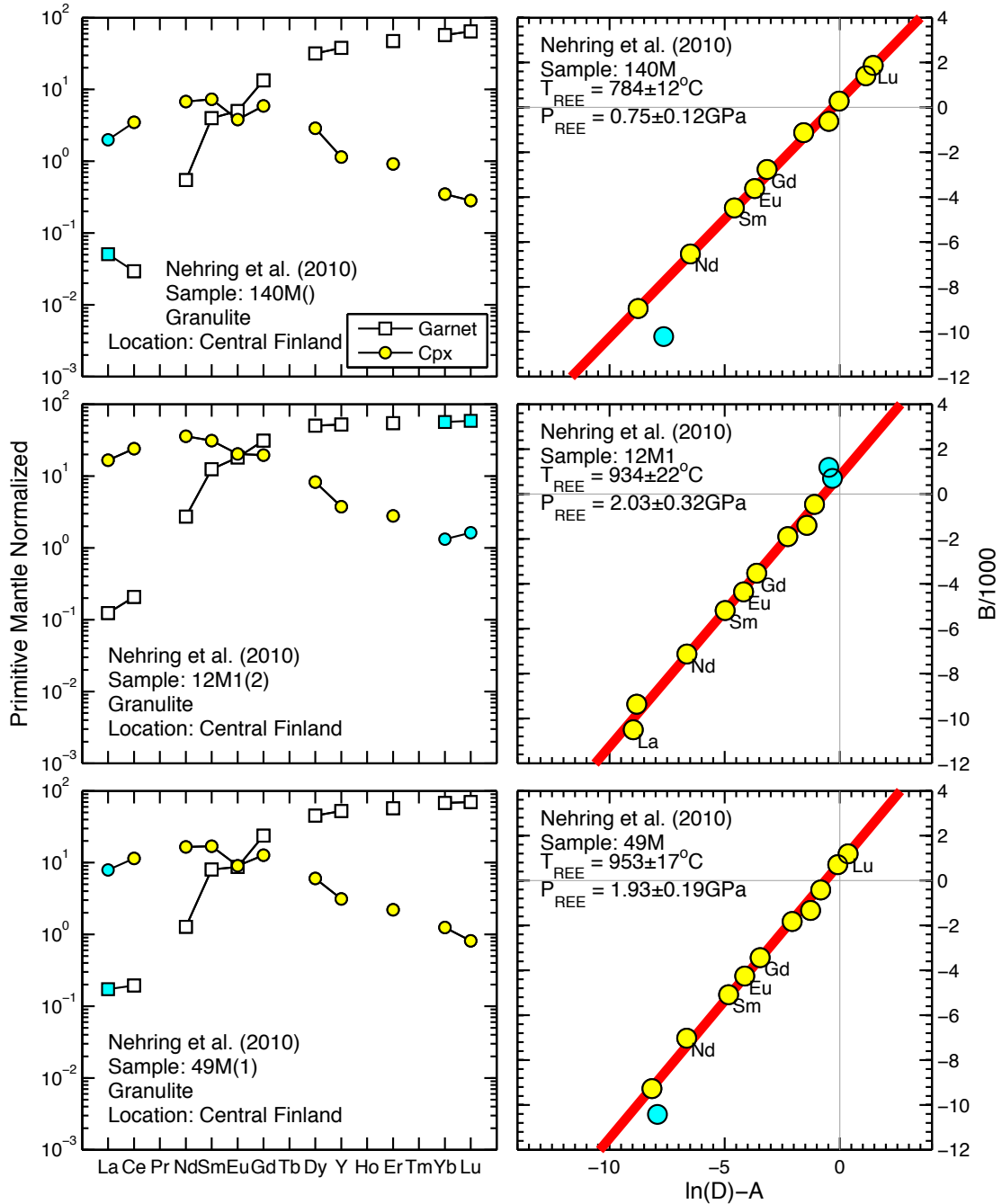


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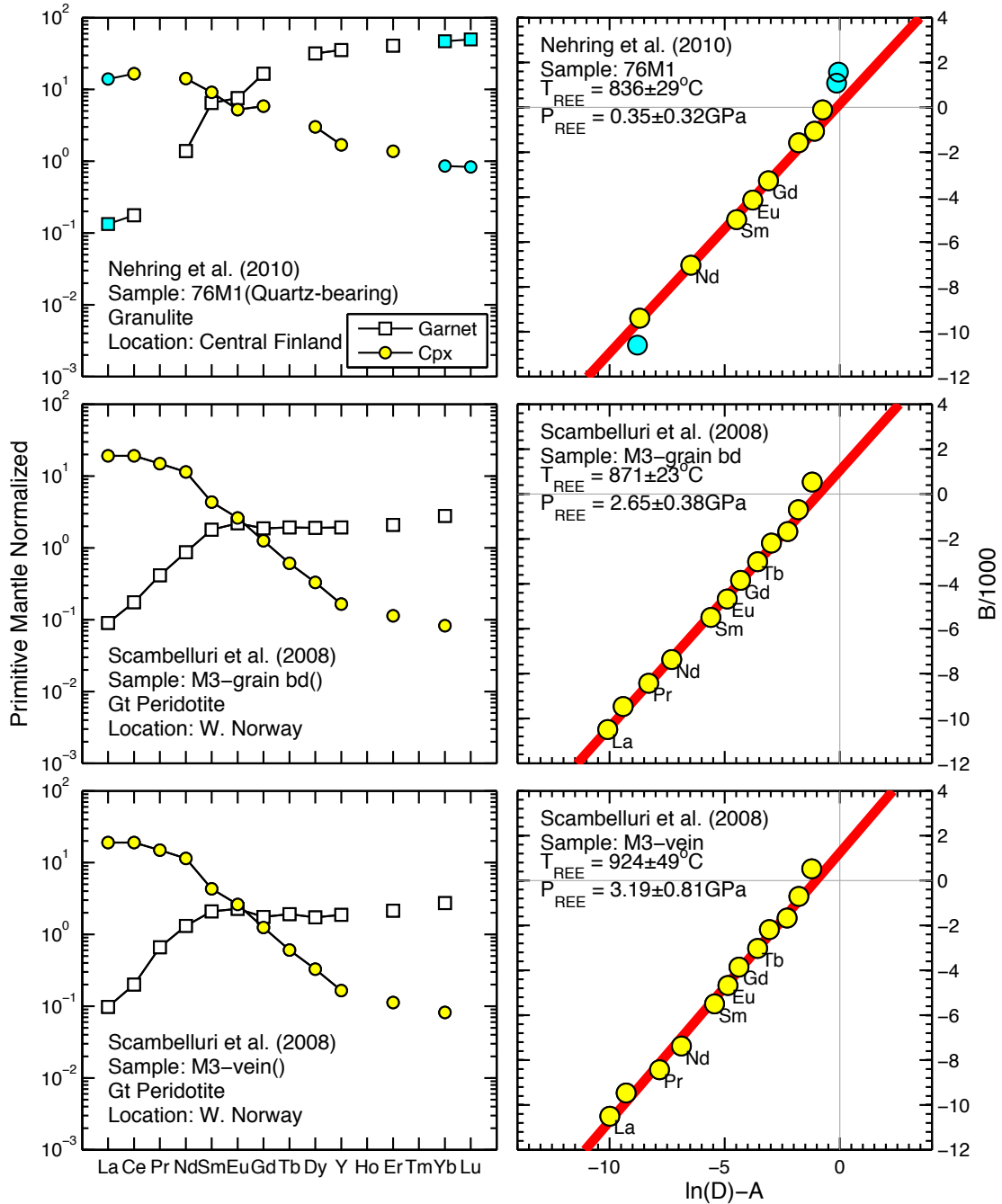


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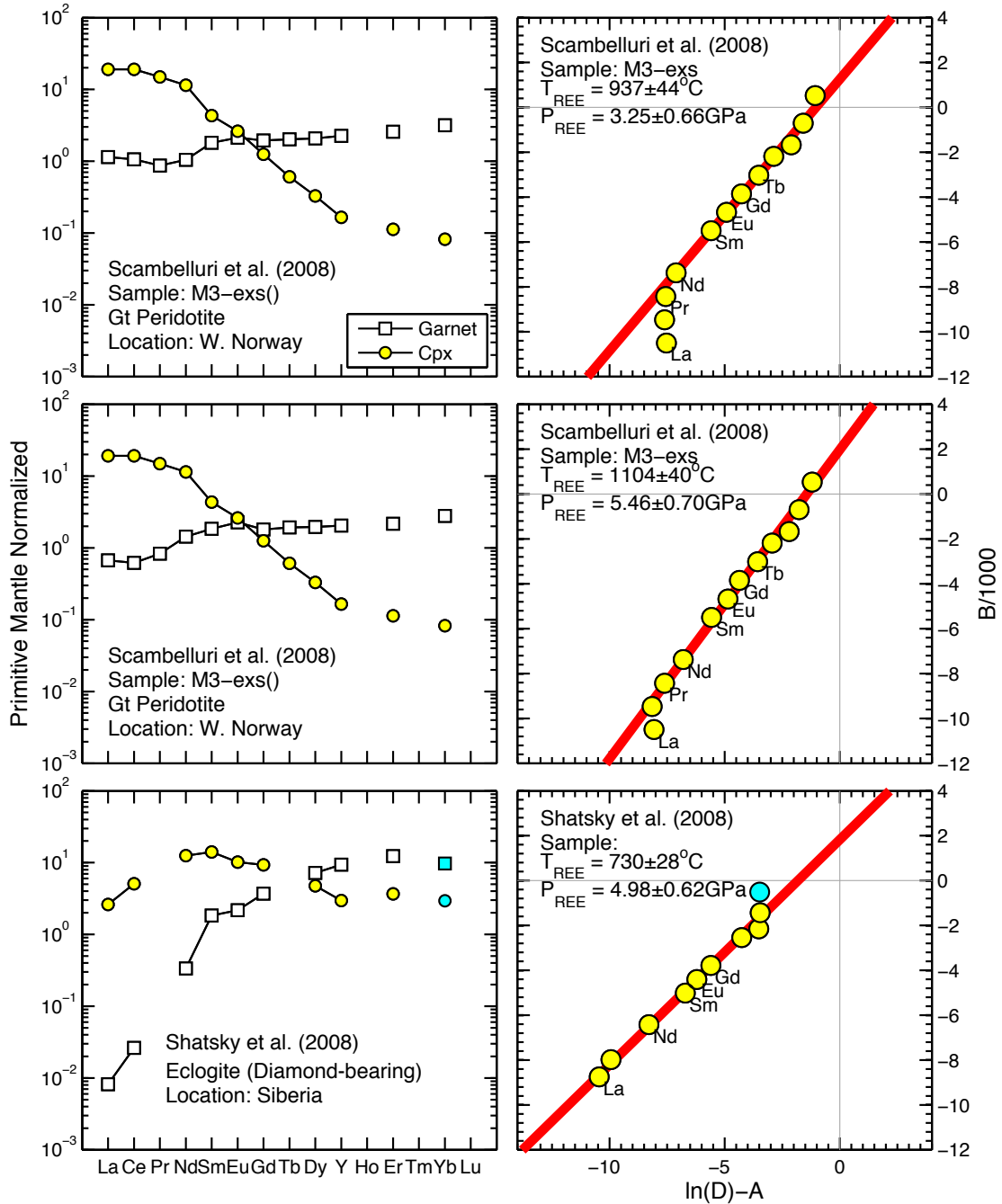


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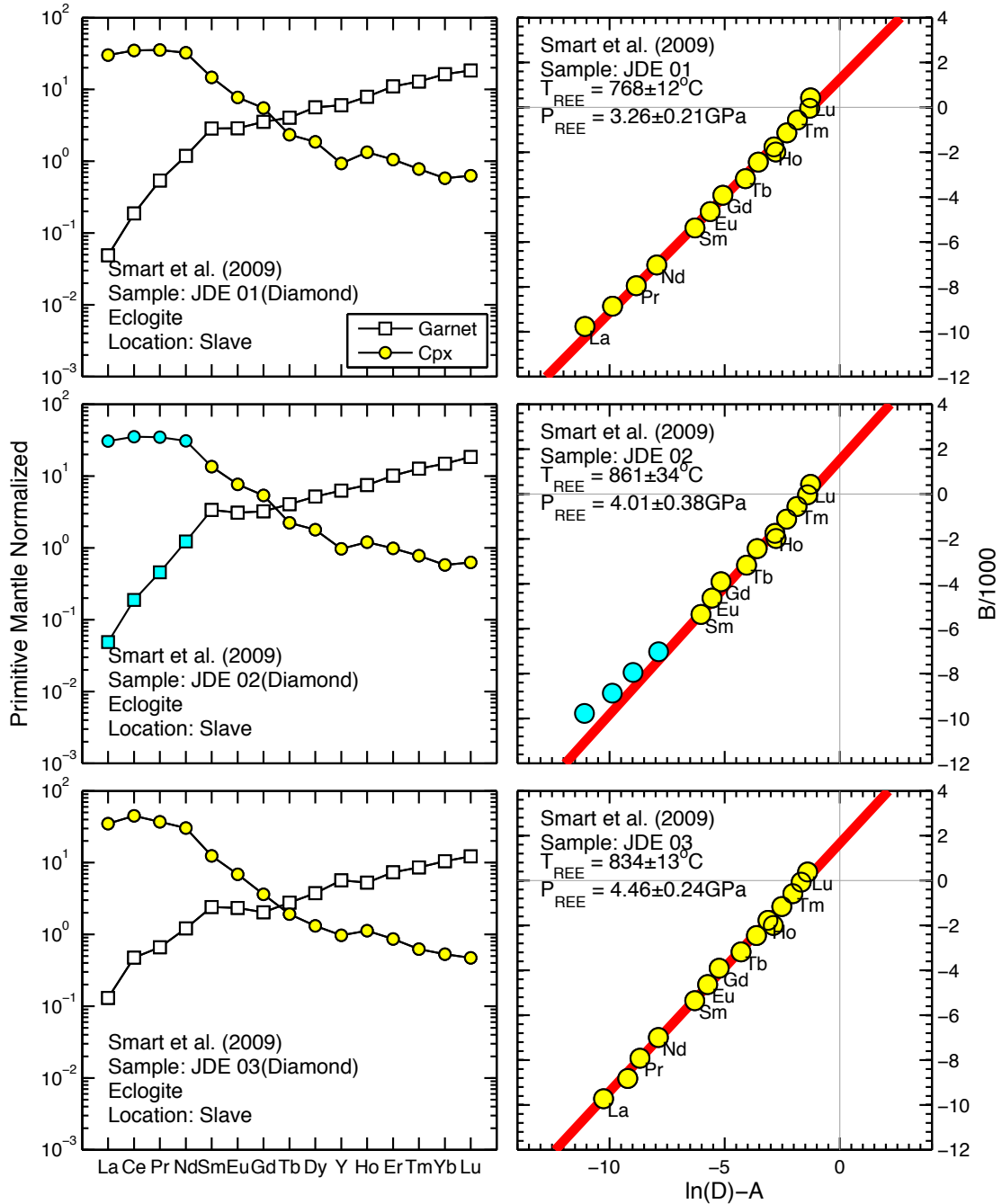


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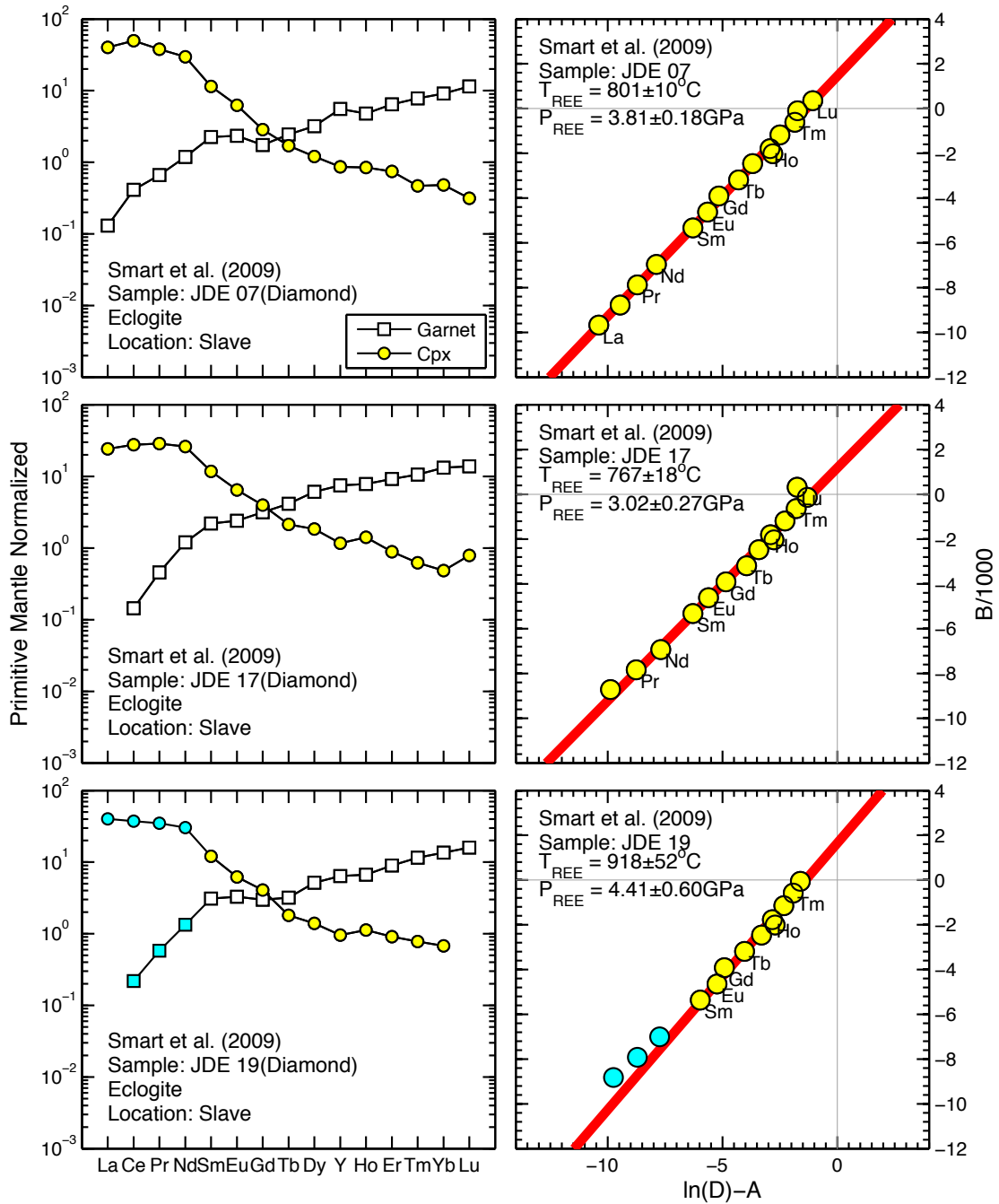


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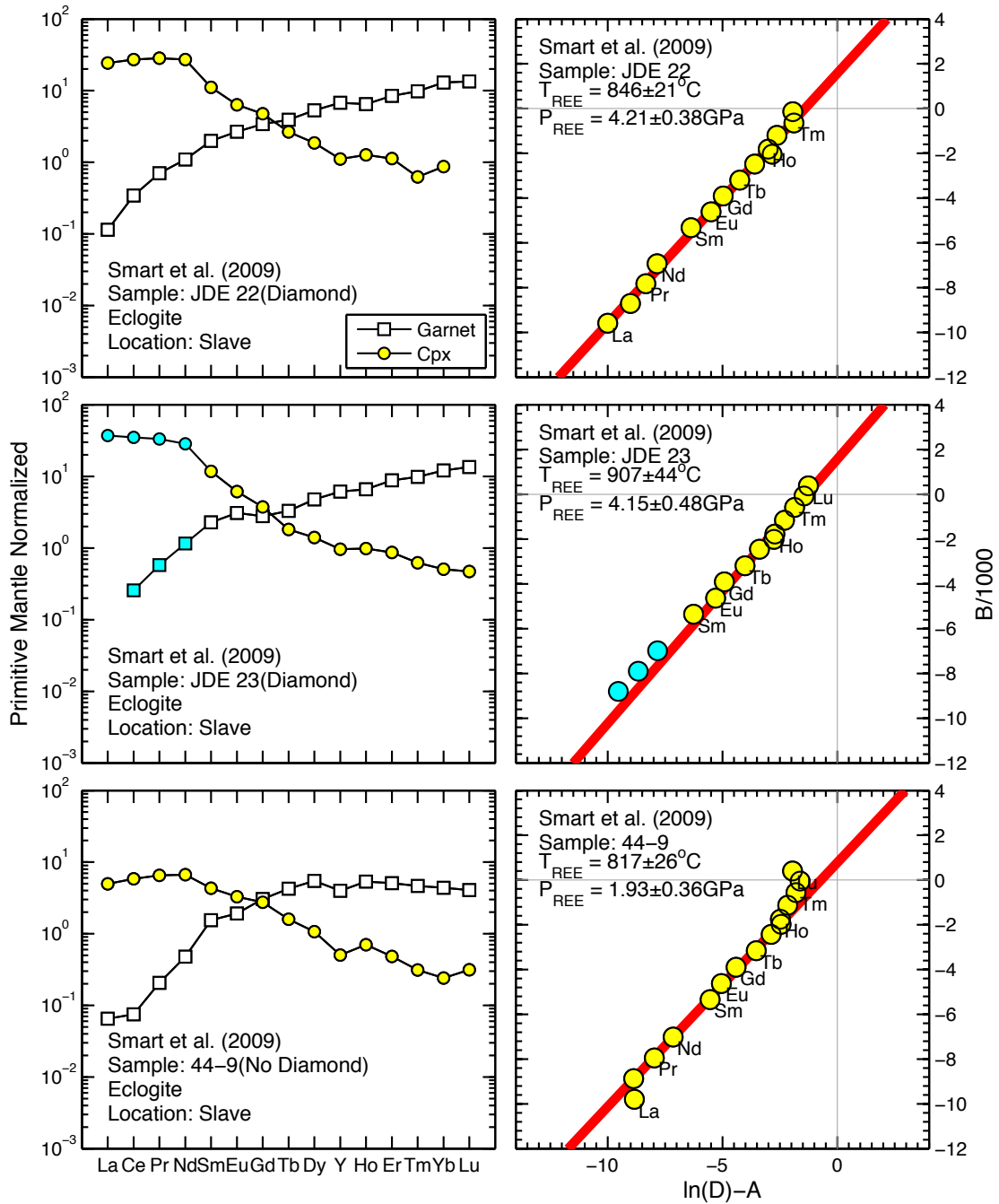


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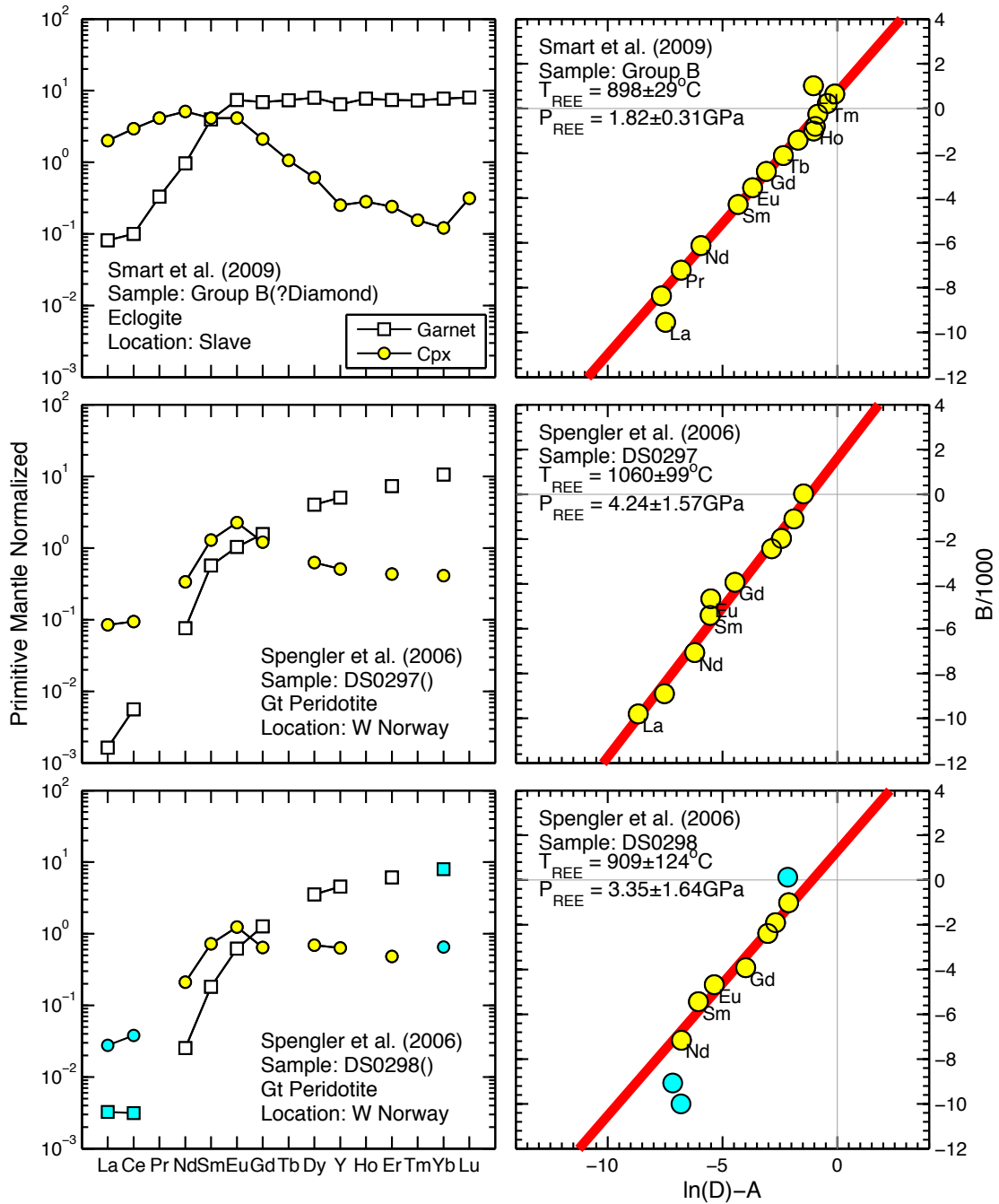


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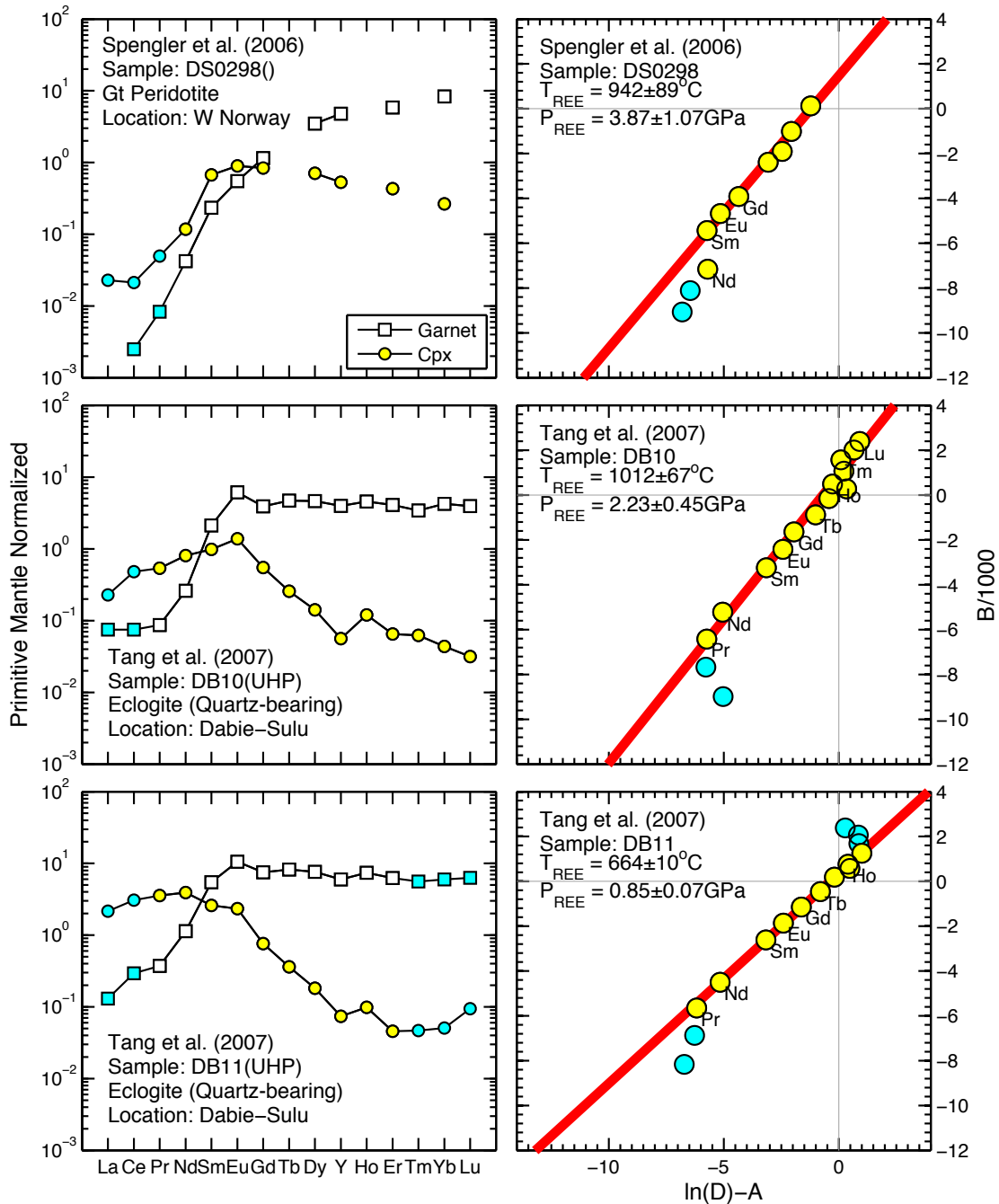


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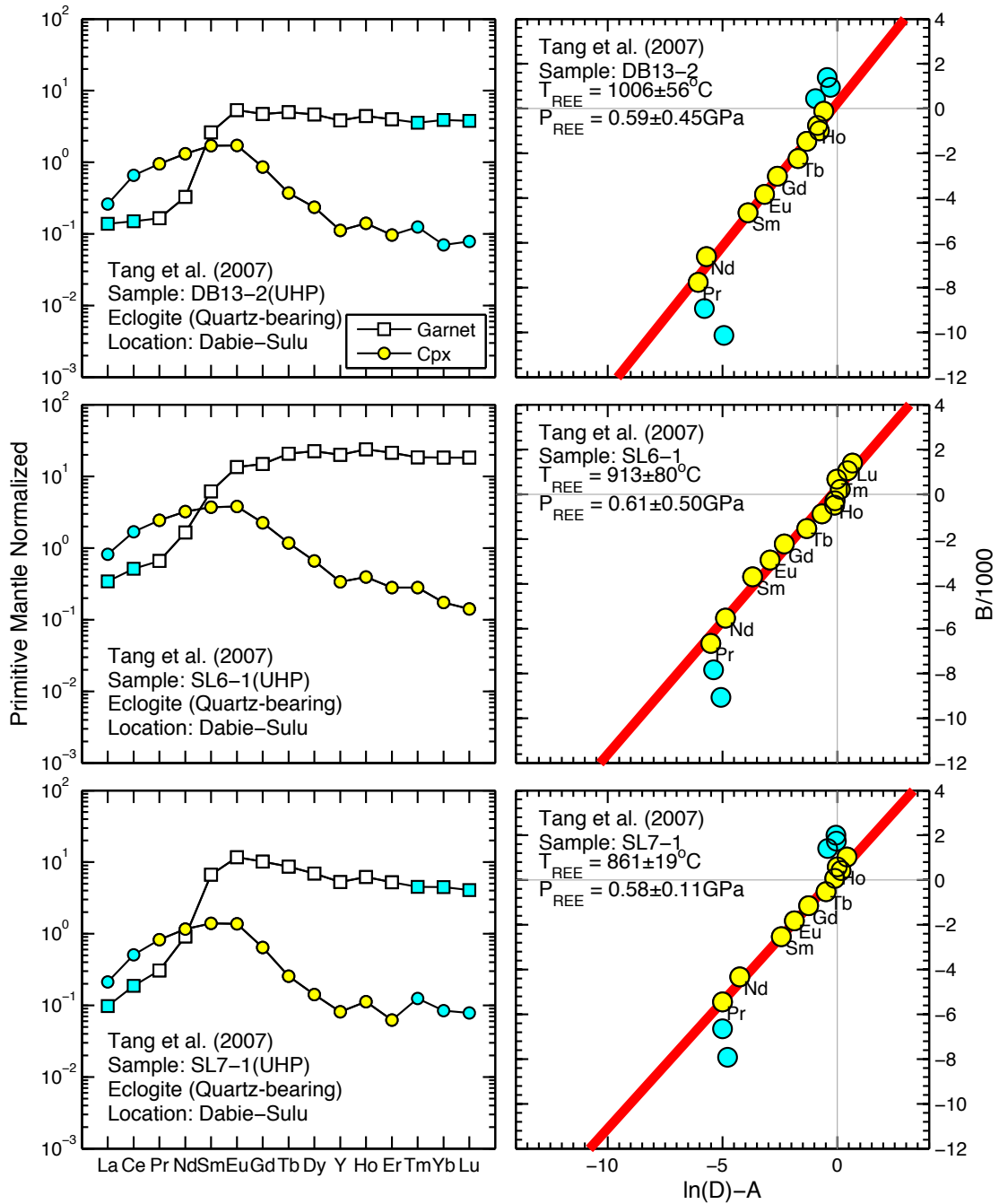


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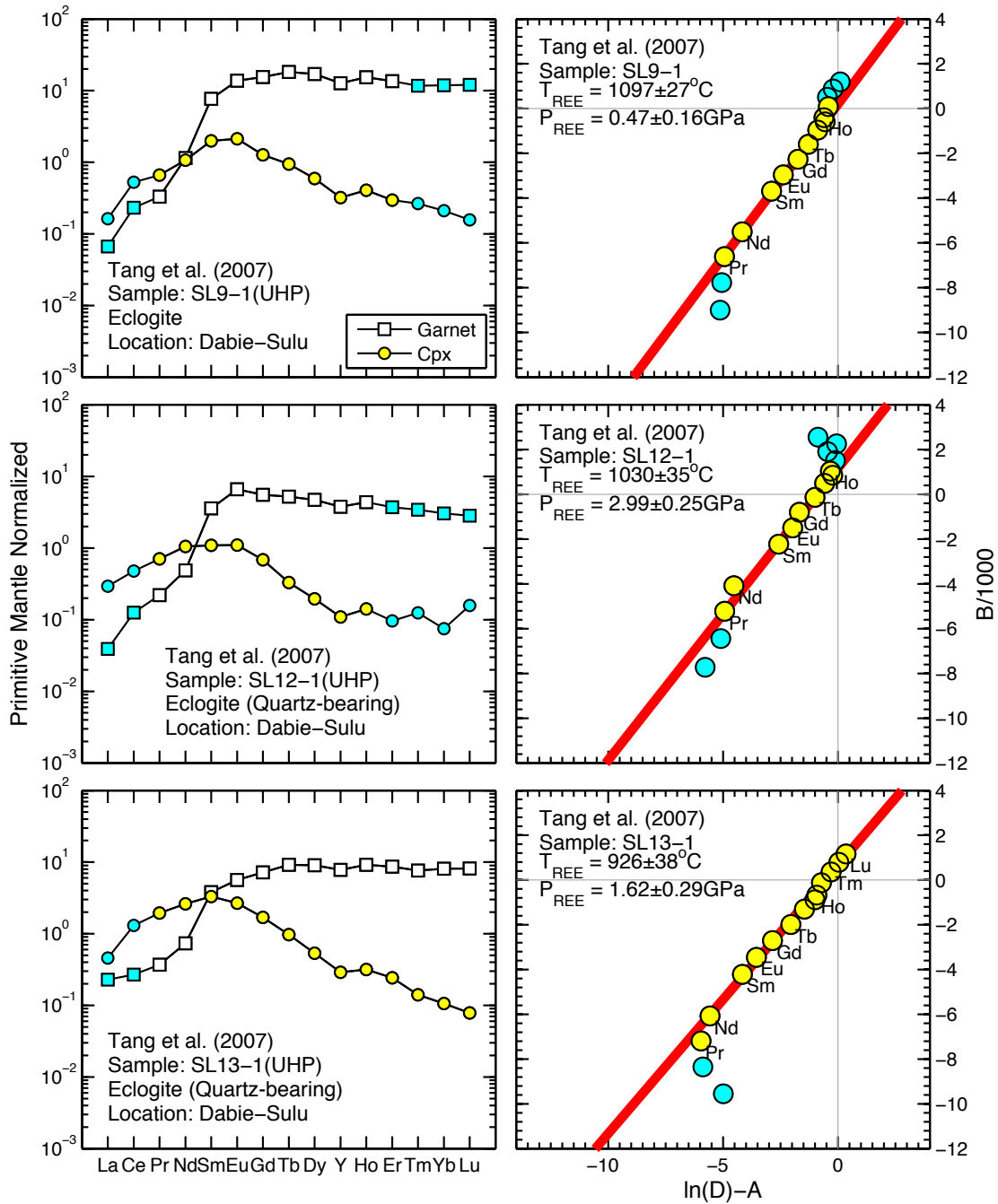


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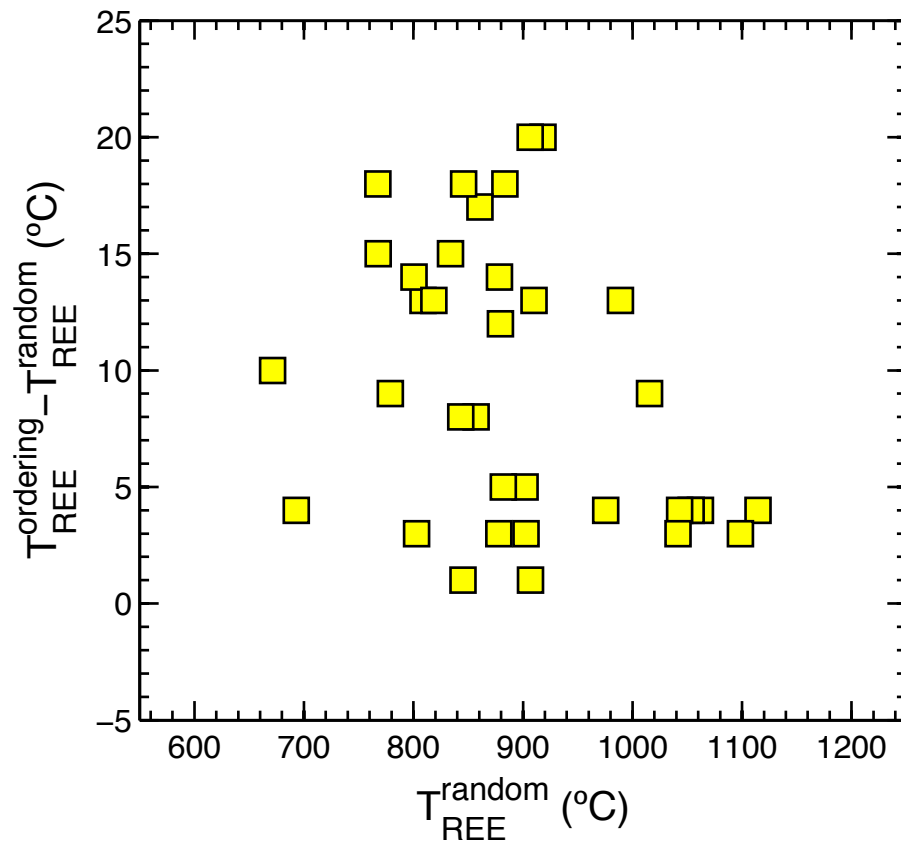


Figure S5 The differences in temperatures calculated using the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermometers with ordering versus random distribution of Fe^{2+} - Mg^{2+} in clinopyroxene as a function of equilibrium temperatures for well-equilibrated mantle eclogite xenoliths. The xenoliths are the same as those used in Fig. 8.

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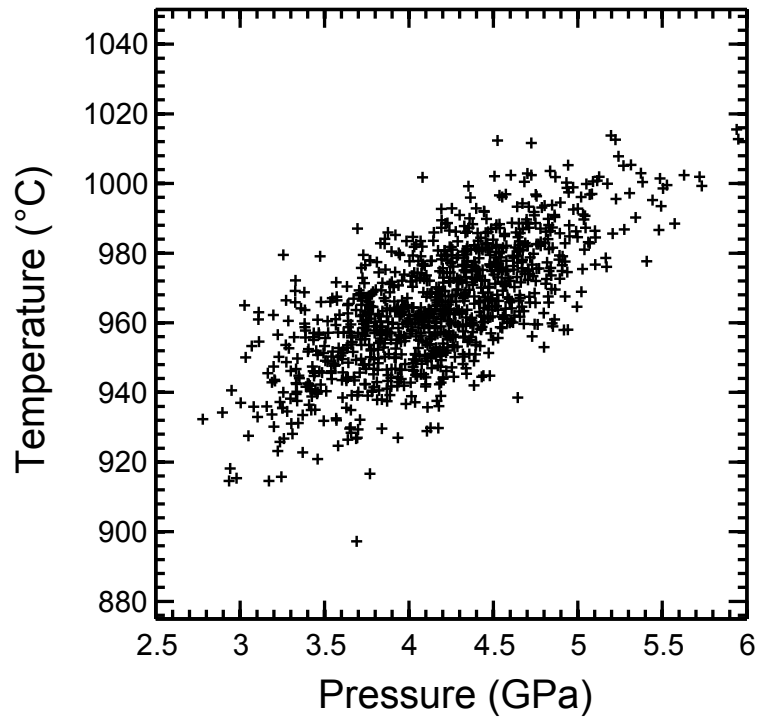


Figure S6 Results of Monte Carlo simulations showing the correlation between temperatures and pressures derived from the REE-in-garnet-clinopyroxene thermobarometer for 1000 sets of synthetic garnet-clinopyroxene REE partition coefficients with 10% normally distributed random noise. The mineral compositions of the eclogite are the same as those used in Fig. 1.