

**CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS FOR**

**TIN ORE**

**CERTIFIED REFERENCE MATERIAL**

**OREAS 142**

**Table 1. Certified Values, SD's, 95% Confidence and Tolerance Limits for OREAS 142.**

Constituent	Certified Value	SD	95% Confidence Limits		95% Tolerance Limits	
			Low	High	Low	High
Silver, Ag (ppm)	1.22	0.12	1.13	1.32	1.14	1.30
Arsenic, As (ppm)	584	38	555	613	570	598
Bismuth, Bi (ppm)	242	17	229	254	236	247
Copper, Cu (ppm)	1466	65	1420	1512	1439	1493
Indium, In (ppm)	45	5	39	50	43	46
Molybdenum, Mo (ppm)	2.99	0.19	2.94	3.04	2.82	3.16
Lead, Pb (ppm)	54.3	3.8	51.6	56.9	52.1	56.5
Zinc, Zn (ppm)	2436	82	2381	2492	2352	2521
Tin via fusion, Sn (wt.%)	1.04	0.05	1.01	1.07	1.02	1.06
Tin via PPP, Sn (wt.%)	1.08	0.04	1.01	1.15	1.07	1.10

Note - intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding; "PPP" = pressed powder pellet with X-ray fluorescence.

## INTRODUCTION

OREAS reference materials are intended to provide a low cost method of evaluating and improving the quality of analysis of geological samples. To the geologist they provide a means of implementing quality control in analytical data sets generated in exploration from the grass roots level through to prospect evaluation, and in grade control at mining operations. To the analyst they provide an effective means of calibrating analytical equipment, assessing new techniques and routinely monitoring in-house procedures.

## SOURCE MATERIAL

OREAS 142 is a high grade Sn oxide ore certified reference material (CRM) prepared by Ore Research & Exploration. The material was sourced from the Doradilla Project located in north central NSW. The project area consists of a large Sn laterite deposit underlain by Sn silicate skarn with potential for copper, nickel, indium and zinc mineralisation. The skarn horizon has a strike length of 16km with zones of oxide, supergene and primary Sn mineralization. Compositionally OREAS 142 is dominated by smectite clay with minor quartz, kaolin and goethite. Sn mineralization occurs as varlamoffite  $[(\text{Sn},\text{Fe})(\text{O},\text{OH})_2]$  with some relict cassiterite. OREAS 142 is one of three tin CRMs prepared from oxide material and characterised for Ag, As, Bi, Cu, In, Mo, Pb, Zn and Sn.

## COMMUNITION AND HOMOGENISATION PROCEDURES

The material was prepared in the following manner:

- a) drying at 105° 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 in laminated foil pouches.

## ANALYSIS OF OREAS 142

Ten commercial laboratories participated in the analytical program to characterise Ag, As, Bi, Cu, In, Mo, Pb, Zn and Sn. 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<sup>3</sup>) are presented in Tables A2 and A11 (Appendix). The parameter PDM<sup>3</sup> 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 50g 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. Tin was characterised via fusion methods (sodium peroxide, lithium borate and iodide) with ICP-OES, ICP-MS or AAS finish and via pressed powder pellet with XRF. The other elements were characterised by 4-acid (including HF) digest with ICP-OES, ICP-MS or AAS finish.

Table 1 (above) presents the certified values together with their associated 1SD's, 95% confidence and tolerance limits. Indicative (uncertified) values are provided in Table 2 for the major and trace elements determined by borate fusion XRF (Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> to Zn) and laser ablation with ICP-MS (Ag to Zr) and are the means of duplicate assays from Bureau Veritas, Perth. Table 3 provides performance gate intervals for the certified values based on their associated standard deviations. The summary statistics are also available in Excel format (**OREAS 142 DataPack.xlsx**).

**Table 2. Indicative Values for OREAS 142.**

Constituent	Unit	Value	Constituent	Unit	Value	Constituent	Unit	Value
<b>Laser Ablation ICP-MS</b>								
Ag	ppm	1.00	Ho	ppm	2.10	Sn	ppm	9615
As	ppm	576	In	ppm	37.3	Sr	ppm	108
Ba	ppm	415	La	ppm	71	Ta	ppm	1.29
Be	ppm	12.6	Lu	ppm	0.75	Tb	ppm	1.71
Bi	ppm	245	Mn	wt. %	0.273	Te	ppm	0.50
Cd	ppm	2.45	Mo	ppm	2.60	Th	ppm	21.6
Ce	ppm	129	Nb	ppm	15.7	Ti	wt. %	0.468
Co	ppm	26.0	Nd	ppm	58	Tl	ppm	1.70
Cr	ppm	93	Ni	ppm	45.0	Tm	ppm	0.86
Cs	ppm	18.6	Pb	ppm	51	U	ppm	5.89
Cu	ppm	1415	Pr	ppm	16.3	V	ppm	154
Dy	ppm	10.3	Rb	ppm	110	W	ppm	64
Er	ppm	5.87	Re	ppm	< 0.01	Y	ppm	67
Eu	ppm	2.61	Sb	ppm	44.5	Yb	ppm	5.09
Ga	ppm	32.4	Sc	ppm	19.5	Zn	ppm	2360
Gd	ppm	10.4	Se	ppm	3.75	Zr	ppm	260
Hf	ppm	8.12	Sm	ppm	12.3			
<b>Borate Fusion XRF</b>								
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	wt. %	18.36	Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	wt. %	25.25	Pb	ppm	60
As	ppm	575	K <sub>2</sub> O	wt. %	0.818	SiO <sub>2</sub>	wt. %	36.36
Ba	ppm	415	MgO	wt. %	0.680	Sn	ppm	10200
CaO	wt. %	3.27	MnO	wt. %	0.380	SO <sub>3</sub>	wt. %	0.099
Co	ppm	25.0	Na <sub>2</sub> O	wt. %	0.475	TiO <sub>2</sub>	wt. %	0.791
Cr	ppm	90	Ni	ppm	50	U	ppm	< 10
Cu	ppm	1415	P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	wt. %	0.127	Zn	ppm	2340
<b>Thermogravimetry</b>								
LOI <sup>1000</sup>	wt. %	10.31						

Note: the number of significant figures reported is not a reflection of the level of certainty of stated values. They are instead an artefact of ORE's in-house CRM-specific LIMS.

## STATISTICAL EVALUATION OREAS 142

### 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

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

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

where

$x_{ij}$  is the  $j$ th 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  $i$ ;  
 $\bar{\bar{x}}$  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  $(p-1)$ .

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

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

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:

$$S = 1.483 \frac{\text{median} / x_j - \text{median} (x_i)}{j=1 \dots n \quad i=1 \dots n}$$

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

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.

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

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

where

$x_{ij}$  is the  $j$ th raw result reported by laboratory  $i$ ;

$x'_{ij}$  is the  $j$ th transformed result reported by laboratory  $i$ ;

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

$p$  is the number of participating laboratories;

$\bar{x}_i$  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

Lower limit is  $\bar{x} - k'_2(n, p, 1 - \alpha) s_g''$

Upper limit is  $\bar{x} + k'_2(n, p, 1 - \alpha) s_g''$

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 ( $m, \alpha$  unknown);

$s''_g$  is the corrected grand standard deviation.

The meaning of these tolerance limits may be illustrated for tin by fusion, where 99% of the time at least 95% of subsamples will have concentrations lying between 1.02 and 1.06 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 (ISO 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:

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

where

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

$s'_g$  is the grand standard deviation computed from the transformed (i.e. means - adjusted) results

according to the formula

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

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

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 (excluding the INAA data for gold) 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 142.**

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
Ag (ppm)	1.22	0.12	0.98	1.47	0.85	1.59	10.1%	20.1%	30.2%	1.16	1.28
As (ppm)	584	38	507	660	469	699	6.55%	13.1%	19.6%	555	613
Bi (ppm)	242	17	208	275	191	292	6.99%	14.0%	21.0%	230	254
Cu (ppm)	1466	65	1336	1596	1271	1661	4.43%	8.87%	13.3%	1393	1539
In (ppm)	45	5	35	55	30	60	11.2%	22.5%	33.7%	43	47
Mo (ppm)	2.99	0.19	2.62	3.36	2.43	3.55	6.20%	12.4%	18.6%	2.84	3.14
Pb (ppm)	54.3	3.8	46.7	61.8	42.9	65.6	6.97%	13.9%	20.9%	51.5	57.0
Zn (ppm)	2436	82	2272	2601	2190	2683	3.37%	6.74%	10.1%	2315	2558
Sn-fusion (wt.%)	1.04	0.05	0.95	1.13	0.90	1.18	4.52%	9.04%	13.6%	0.99	1.09
Sn-PP (wt.%)	1.08	0.04	1.00	1.16	0.96	1.20	3.60%	7.19%	10.8%	1.03	1.14

Note - intervals may appear asymmetric due to rounding; "PP" – pressed pellet X-ray fluorescence

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It is available in unit sizes of 10g (single-use laminated foil pouches).

## INTENDED USE

OREAS 142 is a reference material intended for the following:

- i) for the monitoring of laboratory performance in the analysis of Ag, As, Bi, Cu, In, Mo, Pb, Zn and Sn in geological samples;
- ii) for the calibration of instruments used in the determination of the concentration of Ag, As, Bi, Cu, In, Mo, Pb, Zn and Sn;
- iii) for the verification of analytical methods for Ag, As, Bi, Cu, In, Mo, Pb, Zn and Sn.

## STABILITY AND STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS

OREAS 142 is a reference material made from tin oxide ore from the Doradilla Project. In its unopened state in the laminated foil pouches and under normal conditions of storage it has a shelf life beyond ten years.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR CORRECT USE

The certified values for OREAS 142 refer to the concentration level of Ag, As, Bi, Cu, In, Mo, Pb, Zn and Sn in its packaged state. The CRM should not be dried prior to weighing and analysis.

## HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS

Fine powders pose a risk to eyes and lungs and therefore standard precautions such as the use of safety glasses and dust masks are advised.



## TRACEABILITY

The analytical samples were selected in a manner to represent the entire batch of prepared CRM. This 'representivity' was maintained in each submitted laboratory sample batch and ensures the user that the data is traceable from sample selection through to the analytical results that underlie the consensus values. Each analytical data set has been validated by its assayer through the inclusion of internal reference materials and QC checks during analysis. The laboratories were chosen on the basis of their competence (from past performance in inter-laboratory programs) for a particular analytical method, analyte or analyte suite, and sample matrix. Most of these laboratories have and maintain ISO 17025 accreditation. The certified and non-certified (indicative) values presented in this report are calculated from the means of accepted data following robust statistical treatment as detailed in this report.

## 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.

## QMS ACCREDITED

ORE Pty Ltd is accredited to ISO 9001:2008 by Lloyd's Register Quality Assurance Ltd for its quality management system including development, manufacturing, certification and supply of CRMs.



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# **APPENDIX**

## **Analytical Data for OREAS 142**

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 <sup>3</sup>	percent deviation of lab mean from corrected mean of means
NR	not reported
4A	four acid digest (HF-HNO <sub>3</sub> -HClO <sub>4</sub> -HCl)
PF	sodium peroxide fusion
BF	lithium metaborate fusion
IF	iodide fusion
AAS	atomic absorption spectrometry
OES	inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry
MS	inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry
PPP	pressed powder pellet
XRF	x-ray fluorescence

Table A2. Results for Ag in OREAS 142 (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*MS	Lab E 4A*MS	Lab F 4A*MS	Lab G 4A*MS	Lab H 4A*MS	Lab I 4A*MS	Lab J 4A*OES
1	1.19	1.00	1.20	1.40	1.10	1.17	1.31	1.30	1.39	1.80
2	1.21	1.00	1.10	1.30	1.10	1.17	1.28	1.30	1.36	1.90
3	1.20	1.00	1.30	1.30	1.10	1.21	1.20	1.30	1.44	1.80
4	1.26	1.00	1.10	1.40	1.10	1.19	1.24	1.30	1.42	2.00
5	1.27	1.00	1.10	1.30	1.20	1.19	1.27	1.30	1.40	1.80
Mean	1.23	1.00	1.16	1.34	1.12	1.19	1.26	1.30	1.40	<b>1.86</b>
Median	1.21	1.00	1.10	1.30	1.10	1.19	1.27	1.30	1.40	1.80
Std.Dev.	0.04	0.00	0.09	0.05	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.00	0.03	0.09
Rel.Std.Dev.	2.97%	0.00%	7.71%	4.09%	3.99%	1.41%	3.32%	0.00%	2.11%	4.81%
PDM <sup>3</sup>	0.36%	-18.1%	-5.04%	9.69%	-8.32%	-2.92%	3.14%	6.42%	14.8%	52.3%

Table A3. Results for As in OREAS 142 (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*MS	Lab E 4A*MS	Lab F 4A*MS	Lab G 4A*MS	Lab H 4A*MS	Lab I 4A*MS	Lab J 4A*OES
1	580	477	602	598	584	570	657	640	527	554
2	618	468	558	568	575	575	658	660	527	553
3	612	<b>492</b>	609	570	563	594	634	610	524	555
4	598	476	545	581	562	592	638	640	520	552
5	573	481	559	579	560	576	626	630	524	550
Mean	596	<b>479</b>	575	579	569	581	643	636	524	553
Median	598	477	559	579	563	576	638	640	524	553
Std.Dev.	20	9	29	12	10	11	14	18	3	2
Rel.Std.Dev.	3.28%	1.83%	5.02%	2.06%	1.82%	1.87%	2.22%	2.86%	0.51%	0.35%
PDM <sup>3</sup>	2.09%	-18.0%	-1.61%	-0.82%	-2.60%	-0.44%	10.0%	8.91%	-10.2%	-5.34%

Table A4. Results for Bi in OREAS 142 (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*MS	Lab E 4A*MS	Lab F 4A*MS	Lab G 4A*MS	Lab H 4A*MS	Lab I 4A*MS	Lab J 4A*OES
1	308	230	275	227	253	239	279	240	234	<b>240</b>
2	311	230	254	226	243	240	278	240	232	234
3	313	222	272	224	249	<b>246</b>	270	230	232	235
4	310	223	252	220	263	241	268	230	234	233
5	<b>302</b>	224	250	222	252	237	267	240	225	234
Mean	<b>309</b>	226	260	224	252	241	272	236	231	235
Median	310	224	254	224	252	240	270	240	232	234
Std.Dev.	4	4	12	3	7	3	6	5	4	3
Rel.Std.Dev.	1.36%	1.73%	4.54%	1.28%	2.88%	1.40%	2.09%	2.32%	1.53%	1.18%
PDM <sup>3</sup>	27.8%	-6.56%	7.79%	-7.39%	4.17%	-0.44%	12.7%	-2.34%	-4.24%	-2.67%

Table A5. Results for Cu in OREAS 142 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A 4A*MS	Lab B 4A*MS	Lab C 4A*AAS	Lab D 4A*MS	Lab E 4A*MS	Lab F 4A*MS	Lab G 4A*MS	Lab H 4A*MS	Lab I 4A*MS	Lab J 4A*OES
1	1460	1440	1479	1200	<b>1488</b>	1400	1610	1500	1451	1440
2	1530	1460	1334	1140	1455	1410	1640	1500	1458	1440
3	1510	1460	1440	1140	1437	1420	1550	1500	1461	1430
4	1510	1440	1316	1170	1447	1410	1590	1500	1477	1470
5	1490	1510	1328	1170	1426	1390	1540	1500	1476	1490
Mean	1500	1462	1379	<b>1164</b>	1451	1406	1586	1500	1465	1454
Median	1510	1460	1334	1170	1447	1410	1590	1500	1461	1440
Std.Dev.	26	29	75	25	24	11	42	0	12	25
Rel.Std.Dev.	1.76%	1.96%	5.41%	2.16%	1.63%	0.81%	2.62%	0.00%	0.80%	1.73%
PDM <sup>3</sup>	2.33%	-0.27%	-5.90%	-20.6%	-1.04%	-4.09%	8.19%	2.33%	-0.09%	-0.81%

Table A6. Results for In in OREAS 142 (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*MS	Lab E 4A*MS	Lab F 4A*MS	Lab G 4A*MS	Lab H 4A*MS	Lab I -	Lab J -
1	47.1	39.3	<b>60.7</b>	47.4	27.1	41.5	46.1	37.0	NR	NR
2	49.2	39.5	54.8	47.4	23.6	41.0	46.2	38.0	NR	NR
3	48.2	40.5	<b>61.5</b>	46.5	25.9	42.0	44.1	37.0	NR	NR
4	47.6	39.6	54.5	46.6	29.1	42.1	44.6	37.0	NR	NR
5	47.3	<b>41.8</b>	54.4	46.7	30.0	41.8	44.2	38.0	NR	NR
Mean	47.9	40.1	57.2	46.9	<b>27.2</b>	41.7	45.0	37.4		
Median	47.6	39.6	54.8	46.7	27.1	41.8	44.6	37.0		
Std.Dev.	0.8	1.0	3.6	0.4	2.5	0.4	1.0	0.5		
Rel.Std.Dev.	1.77%	2.58%	6.32%	0.95%	9.32%	1.06%	2.29%	1.46%		
PDM <sup>3</sup>	7.02%	-10.3%	27.8%	4.87%	-39.3%	-6.84%	0.67%	-16.4%		

Table A7. Results for Mo in OREAS 142 (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*MS	Lab E 4A*MS	Lab F 4A*MS	Lab G 4A*MS	Lab H 4A*MS	Lab I 4A*MS	Lab J 4A*OES
1	2.70	3.00	3.00	3.40	2.80	2.95	<b>3.25</b>	3.00	2.88	<1
2	2.80	3.00	2.70	3.20	2.70	2.91	3.15	2.90	3.01	<1
3	2.80	3.50	3.40	3.30	2.80	2.96	2.96	3.10	2.94	<1
4	2.80	3.00	2.90	3.20	2.90	2.95	2.98	3.20	2.85	<1
5	2.60	2.50	3.20	3.10	2.60	2.92	3.02	2.90	2.89	<1
Mean	<b>2.74</b>	3.00	3.04	<b>3.24</b>	<b>2.76</b>	2.94	3.07	3.02	2.92	
Median	2.80	3.00	3.00	3.20	2.80	2.95	3.02	3.00	2.89	
Std.Dev.	0.09	0.35	0.27	0.11	0.11	0.02	0.12	0.13	0.06	
Rel.Std.Dev.	3.26%	11.8%	8.89%	3.52%	4.13%	0.74%	4.04%	4.32%	2.16%	
PDM <sup>3</sup>	-8.37%	0.32%	1.66%	8.35%	-7.70%	-1.75%	2.73%	0.99%	-2.47%	

Table A8. Results for Pb in OREAS 142 (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*MS	Lab E 4A*MS	Lab F 4A*MS	Lab G 4A*MS	Lab H 4A*MS	Lab I 4A*MS	Lab J 4A*OES
1	56.9	50.0	60.0	61.0	50.3	54.0	56.9	52.0	48.6	54.0
2	59.0	50.0	54.0	61.0	51.3	52.9	56.4	51.0	48.8	59.0
3	59.4	51.0	60.0	59.0	51.5	54.7	53.2	52.0	49.9	57.0
4	59.5	49.0	54.0	59.0	53.0	55.0	54.4	51.0	49.8	56.0
5	57.1	49.0	54.0	59.0	50.2	53.6	54.5	52.0	49.3	59.0
Mean	58.4	49.8	56.4	59.8	51.3	54.0	55.1	51.6	49.3	57.0
Median	59.0	50.0	54.0	59.0	51.3	54.0	54.5	52.0	49.3	57.0
Std.Dev.	1.3	0.8	3.3	1.1	1.1	0.8	1.5	0.5	0.6	2.1
Rel.Std.Dev.	2.18%	1.68%	5.83%	1.83%	2.21%	1.56%	2.78%	1.06%	1.18%	3.72%
PDM <sup>3</sup>	7.59%	-8.22%	3.94%	10.2%	-5.53%	-0.41%	1.51%	-4.91%	-9.20%	5.04%

Table A9. Results for Zn in OREAS 142 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in ppm).

Replicate No.	Lab A 4A*MS	Lab B 4A*MS	Lab C 4A*AAS	Lab D 4A*MS	Lab E 4A*MS	Lab F 4A*MS	Lab G 4A*MS	Lab H 4A*MS	Lab I 4A*MS	Lab J 4A*OES
1	2030	2480	2510	2210	2466	2370	2720	2500	2497	2490
2	2090	2480	2200	2100	<b>2366</b>	2400	2750	2500	2482	2450
3	2090	2480	2460	2100	2446	2440	2640	2500	2466	2430
4	2080	2400	2220	2140	2449	2440	2670	2500	2451	2410
5	2040	2440	2230	2140	2408	2390	2620	2600	2426	2420
Mean	<b>2066</b>	2456	2324	<b>2138</b>	2427	2408	<b>2680</b>	2520	2465	2440
Median	2080	2480	2230	2140	2446	2400	2670	2500	2466	2430
Std.Dev.	29	36	148	45	40	31	54	45	27	32
Rel.Std.Dev.	1.39%	1.46%	6.39%	2.10%	1.65%	1.29%	2.03%	1.77%	1.11%	1.30%
PDM <sup>3</sup>	-15.2%	0.80%	-4.61%	-12.2%	-0.39%	-1.17%	10.0%	3.43%	1.16%	0.15%

Table A10. Results for Sn via fusion in OREAS 142 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in wt.%).

Replicate No.	Lab A PF*OES	Lab B PF*MS	Lab C PF*MS	Lab D BF*XRF	Lab E PF*MS	Lab F PF*MS	Lab G BF*MS	Lab H PF*OES	Lab I IF*AA/ICP	Lab J -
1	1.09	1.03	0.98	1.04	1.06	1.08	0.97	1.10	1.01	NR
2	1.08	1.02	0.98	1.04	1.08	1.06	<b>1.02</b>	1.10	1.00	NR
3	1.06	1.04	1.00	1.04	1.12	1.06	0.97	1.00	1.00	NR
4	1.09	1.04	1.00	1.05	1.13	1.09	0.98	1.10	1.00	NR
5	1.09	1.03	0.98	1.05	1.14	1.07	0.98	1.00	1.00	NR
Mean	1.08	1.03	0.99	1.04	1.11	1.07	0.98	1.06	1.00	
Median	1.09	1.03	0.98	1.04	1.12	1.07	0.98	1.10	1.00	
Std.Dev.	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.02	0.05	0.00	
Rel.Std.Dev.	1.21%	0.81%	1.12%	0.52%	3.11%	1.22%	2.11%	5.17%	0.33%	
PDM <sup>3</sup>	4.04%	-0.77%	-4.89%	0.39%	6.35%	3.08%	-5.38%	1.92%	-3.87%	

Table A11. Results for Sn via PPP\*XRF in OREAS 142 (abbreviations as in Table A1; values in wt.%).

Replicate No.	Lab A PPP*XRF	Lab B -	Lab C PPP*XRF	Lab D -	Lab E -	Lab F PPP*XRF	Lab G PPP*XRF	Lab H -	Lab I -	Lab J PPP*XRF
1	1.08	NR	1.03	NR	NR	1.13	>1	NR	NR	1.07
2	1.08	NR	1.03	NR	NR	1.13	>1	NR	NR	1.08
3	1.09	NR	1.03	NR	NR	1.14	>1	NR	NR	1.08
4	1.08	NR	1.03	NR	NR	1.13	>1	NR	NR	1.08
5	1.08	NR	1.03	NR	NR	1.15	>1	NR	NR	1.08
Mean	1.08		1.03			1.14				1.08
Median	1.08		1.03			1.13				1.08
Std.Dev.	0.00		0.00			0.01				0.00
Rel.Std.Dev.	0.41%		0.39%			0.79%				0.41%
PDM <sup>3</sup>	0.05%		-4.77%			5.04%				-0.32%