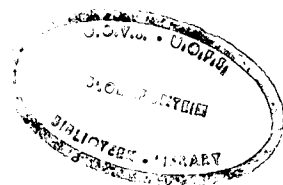


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ABSTRACT

The thick soil cover over most of the felsic rocks of the Bushveld Complex, presents a major obstacle in the search for Sn deposits. In order to define those parameters that might reflect the presence of Sn mineralisation under such conditions, an orientation study was made of soil geochemical parameters in an area of known Sn mineralisation. The area chosen was the farm Viaklaagte 221JR in the central Bushveld Complex where quartz-vein greisen type Sn mineralisation is known to exist.

The soils overlying the mineralisation are latosols in which three periods of soil formation can be identified. A pebble layer representing an unconformity in the soil profiles, with transported soils on top and residual soils or palaeo-colluvium below, has a dominating influence on the mineralogical and geochemical dispersion patterns in the soils. A consequence is that the B horizon, to which most attention is usually paid during exploration, presents an entirely unsatisfactory sampling medium due to its development in either the transported or residual soil.

Mineralogical and geochemical data were used to identify the various weathering cycles and the relationships between primary and secondary anomalies. Special attention was given to the behaviour of Sn, Cu, Mo, Rb, Sr and Ba, which were then used to establish possible guidelines for exploration. Where Sn is used as a pathfinder element the pebble layer yielded the best results as a sampling medium. A combination of 1) the Sn concentration in a bulk sample in the lower section of the lower pebble layer, 2) the ratio of the Sn concentrations (using bulk samples) between the lower section of the lower pebble layer and the residual soils and 3) the distribution patterns of cassiterite grain-size populations in the lower pebble layer (lower section) proved to be the most sensitive means for exploration (provided that the Sn is associated with cassiterite and that the pebble layer is in direct contact with the residual soils).

Copper and Mo are also very sensitive pathfinder elements but their source is not necessarily the same as for Sn. They

are, however, always closely associated with the Sn deposits and can therefore be used effectively in tracing associated mineralisation which will eventually lead to the Sn deposits. The most sensitive parameters proved to be a combination of the Cu or Mo concentrations in the silt-clay fraction in the lower part of the C horizon and their concentrations in individual goethite pellets from the lower section of the lower pebble layer.

Rubidium/Sr and Rb/Ba ratios are useful in identifying highly differentiated or metasomatic zones with which Sn deposits are associated. The silt-clay fraction in the lower part of the C horizon is recommended for the latter.

The weathering cycles and the elemental dispersion patterns are found to be dependant on the following factors:-

- The palaeo- and present climatic conditions.
- The topography (palaeo- and present).
- The primary minerals with which the elements are associated and the weatherability of the minerals.
- The predominant end minerals in the soils and their elemental association.
- The mobility of the elements under different Eh-pH conditions.

UITTREKSEL

Die dik grondbedekking oor groot gedeeltes van die felsiese gesteentes in die Bosveld Kompleks, bied 'n groot hindernis in die soektog na Sn afsettings. In 'n poging om hierdie hindernis te oorbrug is 'n studie van geochemiese parameters in gronde in 'n gebied van bekende Sn mineralisasie gedoen. Die gebied wat gekies is, is die plaas Vlakklaagte 221 JR in die sentrale Bosveldkompleks waar die bestaan van kwartsaar-greisentipe Sn-mineralisasie bekend is.

Gronde wat die mineralisasie oorië is latosols waarin drie periodes van grondvorming geldentifiseer kan word. 'n Rolsteenlaag wat 'n onreëlmatigheid in die gronde verteenwoordig, met aangevoerde gronde bo-op en residuele gronde of paleo-kolluvium onder, het die dominerende invloed op die mineralogiese en geochemiese verstrooiingspatrone in die gronde. 'n Gevolg hiervan is dat die B-horison, waaraan normaalweg die meeste aandag gedurende eksplorasië geskenk word, ongeskik as 'n monsteringsmedium is, weens die ontwikkeling daarvan in óf die aangevoerde óf die residuele gronde.

Mineralogiese en geochemiese data is gebruik om die verwerings-siklus en die verwantskappe tussen primêre en sekondêre anomalieë vas te stel. Spesiale aandag is geskenk aan die gedrag van Sn, Cu, Mo, Rb, Sr en Ba en moontlike riglyne is vir eksplorasië bepaal. Waar Sn gebruik is as 'n padvinderselement, het die rolsteenlaag die beste resultate as 'n monstermedium verseker. 'n Kombinasie van 1) die Sn konsentrasie in heelmonsters in die onderste gedeelte van die onderste rolsteenlaag, 2) die verhouding van Sn konsentrasies (heelmonsters) tussen die onderste gedeelte van die onderste rolsteenlaag en die residuele gronde en 3) die verspreidingspatrone in korrelgrootte populasies van kassiteriet in die onderste gedeelte van die onderste rolsteenlaag, blyk die mees sensitiewe metode te wees (met die voorbehoud dat die Sn geassosieer is met kassiteriet en dat die rolsteenlaag in direkte kontak met die residuele gronde is).

Koper en Mo is ook baie sensitiewe padvinderselemente maar hul bron is nie noodwendig dieselfde as vir Sn nie. Dit is egter

altyd baie nou geassosieer met Sn afsettings en kan dus effektief gebruik word in die opspoor van geassosieerde mineralisasie wat dan uiteindelik na die Sn afsettings sal lei. Die mees sensitiewe parameters blyk te wees 'n kombinasie van die Cu of Mo konsentrasies in die modder en klei fraksie in die onderste gedeelte van die C horison en hul konsentrasies in individuele goethiet pille vanuit die onderste gedeelte van die onderste rolsteenlaag.

Rubidium/Sr en Rb/Ba verhoudings is baie bruikbaar in die identifikasie van hoogs gedifferensieerde of gemetasomatiseerde sonas, waarmee die Sn afsettings normaalweg geassosieer is. Die modder plus klei fraksie in die onderste gedeelte van die C horison word aanbeveel in laasgenoemde geval.

Die verwerkingssiklusse en die elementverspreidingspatrone is afhanklik van die volgende faktore:-

- Die paleo- en huidige klimaatstoestande.
- Die topografie (paleo- en huidige).
- Die primêre minerale waarmee die elemente geassosieer is en hul weerstand teen verwerking.
- Die dominerende eindminerale in die gronde en hul elementassosiasie.
- Die mobiliteit van die elemente onder verskillende Eh-pH toestande.

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1 INTRODUCTION

The granites of the Bushveld Complex have been the major source of tin in South Africa for the past fifty years. Most of the tin was produced in the Zaalplaats, Union and Rooiberg tin fields with insignificant amounts coming from the other districts (Fig. 1-1). The granites of the Bushveld Complex and the associated metasedimentary rocks are well exposed in these three tin fields, whilst in the remainder of the area they are only exposed as scattered outcrops or as near-vertical cliffs along the edge of the Sekhukhuni Plateau.

The Mineral Map of South Africa compiled by the Geological Survey of South Africa (1981) together with Fig. 1-1 indicate that tin mineralisation is known virtually everywhere where the upper parts of the granitic phase of the Bushveld Complex is exposed. It thus appears that the absence of known significant deposits elsewhere in the granites could reflect an absence of good exposures.

From an exploration point of view the question can therefore be asked whether adequate exploration techniques to detect tin mineralisation in covered areas exist or can be developed. The present investigation is aimed at evaluating known geochemical techniques for locating covered tin deposits and, if required, establish more effective techniques.

Three geochemical exploration techniques by which further Sn deposits could be located are:-

- A systematic drilling programme across the granitic rocks backed up by petrographic and lithogeochemical studies,
- A systematic geochemical investigation of the soils overlying the granites,
- A systematic geochemical investigation of the gas-species in these soils.

The successful implementation of the first alternative on a regional scale is financially prohibitive and techniques for gas analysis are not yet fully developed. Soils are often used in the exploration for tin (Taylor, 1979), but the techniques involved apply to climatic conditions differing significantly

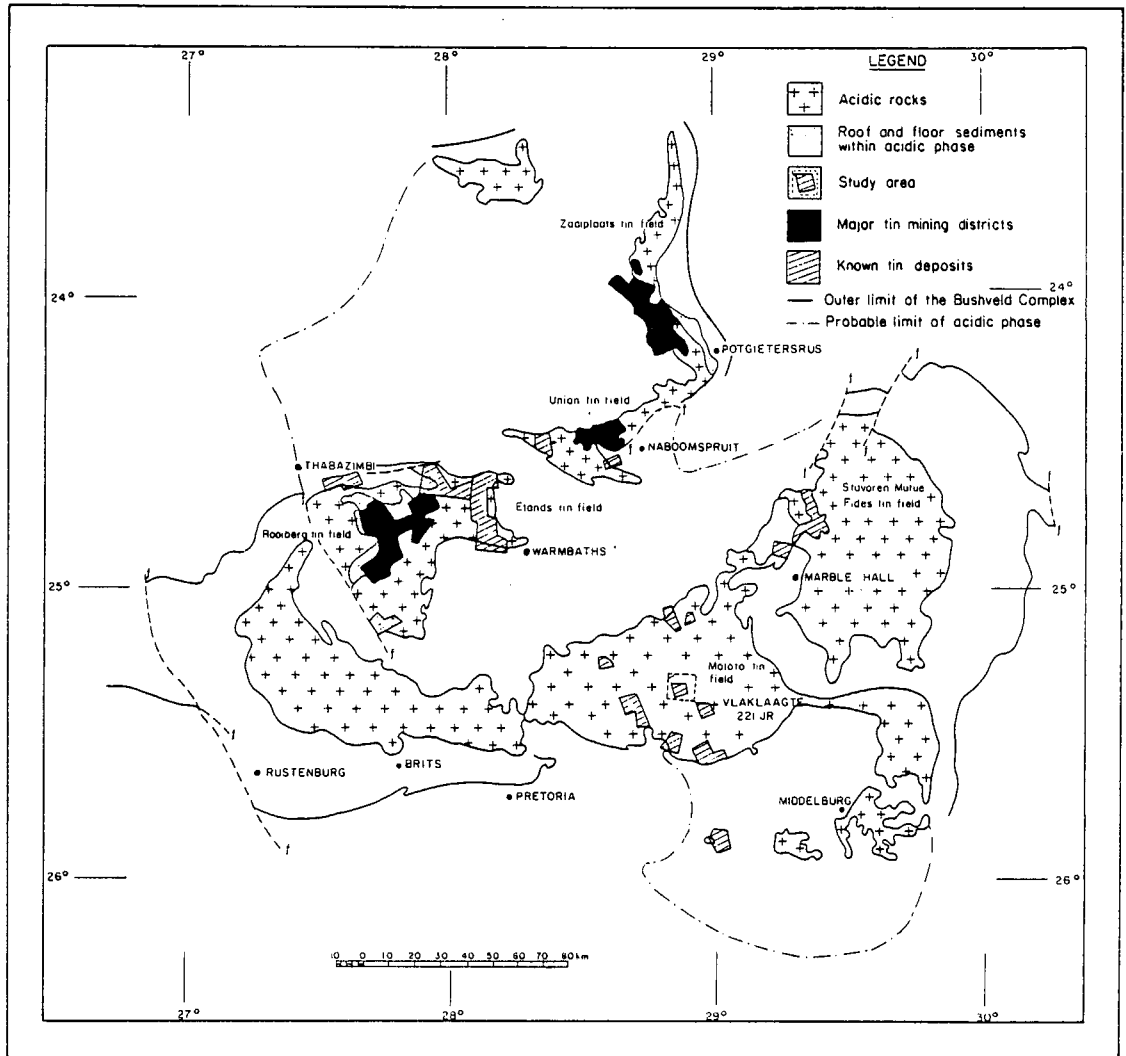


Figure 1-1: The distribution of the Bushveld granite showing the districts in which tin mineralisation is known.

from those in South Africa (Groves *et al.*, 1972; Hosking, 1971; Levinson, 1980; Omer-Cooper *et al.*, 1974). This study therefore concentrates on the geochemical sampling parameters for soils overlying the granites.

The chemical and mineralogical data on tin occurrences in the Bushveld Complex indicate that they often contain significant concentrations of Mo, Cu and F in addition to tin (Crocker and Callaghan, 1979; Steyn, 1962). Special attention was thus also devoted to the distribution of Cu and Mo in the soils.

The effectiveness of any geochemical exploration technique depends on the sampling approach used and this aspect forms a major part of this study. The area selected for study should be relatively undisturbed by prospecting and mining activities, poorly exposed, with insignificant farming activity. The Moloto district fulfills these requirements and it was therefore decided to carry out a study on the Sn occurrence on Vlaklaagte 221 JR (Fig. 1-1).

2 METHOD OF INVESTIGATION.

2.1 SAMPLING AND SAMPLE PREPARATION

A series of rock samples were collected from the area. These samples were crushed, pulverised and then analysed according to procedures described below. Thin and polished sections were made for mineralogical and petrological studies.

A number of prospecting pits were dug in both mineralised and unmineralised zones (positions indicated in Fig. 2-1). The soil profiles were logged and described (Appendix A). Various horizons were sampled (5 kg samples) and after drying at 110°C, three kilograms of each sample were screened into five size fractions (i.e. the gravel, coarse sand, medium sand, fine sand and silt-clay fractions). Mineralogical studies and chemical analyses were made of the bulk sample as well as the different size fractions.

Soil samples (5 kg) from the A₁ horizon were collected along five traverses crossing the greisen lodes and quartz fissures, and one traverse which is oblique to the others (Fig. 2-1). Sample spacing is 50 m along the first five traverses and 90 m in the last. The samples were dried at 110 °C and screened into selected size fractions. Copper, Mo, Rb, Sr, Ba and Fe₂O₃ were determined using the $-0,075\text{ mm}$ fraction and Sn on the bulk sample.

2.2 ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES

The major and trace elements, with the exception of Li, Be, F and B were determined by means of XRF using the procedures described by Frick and Kent (1984).

Lithium and Be were determined by atomic absorption spectrometry (AA) using the techniques of Jeffery (1975) and Abbey (1967). Pure element standards were used for Li and Be and good agreement was obtained between the values for the NIMROCK reference rock samples G, S and L and the reported values (Steele *et al.*, 1978). Coefficients of variation for replicate determinations were approximately 6% and 10% at levels of 50 ppm and 12 ppm respectively and 10% at a Be level of 7 ppm.

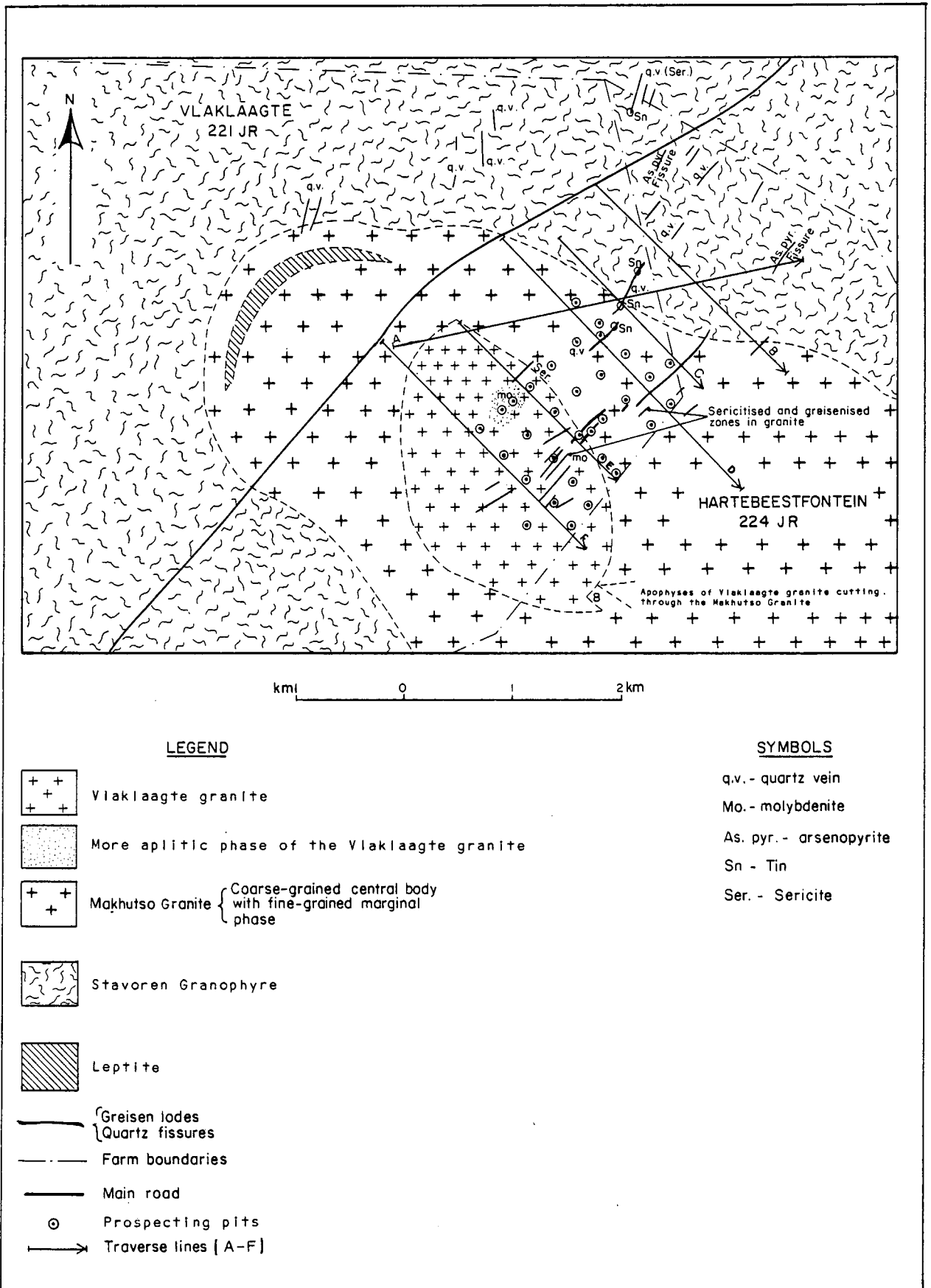


Figure 2-1: The geology of the study area showing traverses along which surface samples were collected and the positions of the prospecting pits.

Fluorine was determined by the standard addition method (Edge, 1979), using an ion-selective electrode and a specific ion meter. Excellent agreement was obtained between the concentrations measured in the NIMROCK samples (G, S and L) and the reported values. Coefficients of variation for replicate determinations were approximately 9% and 3% at fluoride levels of 300 and 4200 ppm respectively.

Boron was determined by inductive coupled plasma (ICP) emission spectrometry. The general analytical procedure followed is that described by Owens *et al.*, (1982). CANMET SY-2 and SY-3 (Abbey, 1983) were used for reference and good agreement between the measured and reported values were obtained. The coefficient of variation for replicate determinations was approximately 10% at a level of 100 ppm B.

The rock samples were studied in thin and polished sections. A stereo microscope was used for the visual mineralogical identifications on the soils. A X-ray diffractometer was used for the semi-quantitative estimations of the mineralogical compositions. Bulk sample fractions were used for the latter.

Heavy mineral separates from some horizons in selected profiles were identified by means of a scanning electron microscope fitted with an energy dispersive spectrometer.

3. THE GEOLOGY, GEOMORPHOLOGY AND SOIL DISTRIBUTION OF THE STUDY AREA.

Any geochemical soil sampling programme is influenced by a vast number of parameters which include, amongst others, the geology of the bedrock, the depth, composition, distribution and origin of the overburden, the surface topography, the sub-soil topography and the climatic conditions. Because all these factors interplay on one another, it is impossible to use empirical models to deduce any one factor and a thorough investigation of each one is essential.

3.1 GEOLOGY

Fig. 2-1 shows the generalised geology of the Sn/Mo occurrence on the farm Vlaklaagte 221 JR, amended after the mapping of De Bruijn and Rhodes (1975) and of Wessels (1940). According to the former the Makhutso Granite is intrusive into both the granophyric roof-rocks (Stavoren Granophyre) and the Main Bushveld granite (Nebo Granite). They describe the Makhutso Granite as a greyish biotite-rich granite which consists of a fine-grained marginal phase and a coarse-grained central body. The latter is intruded by a fine-grained, sometimes aplitic, grey biotite granite which was described by Merensky (1908) as the ore carrier. This fine-grained granite, the Vlaklaagte granite, is probably an equivalent of the Koornkopje granite described by Marlow (1976).

Apophyses of the Vlaklaagte granite were observed (Fig. 2-1, point B) cutting through the Makhutso Granite. This supports the contention of Merensky (1908) that the Vlaklaagte granite is younger and has intruded into the Makhutso Granite. It is not evident from the field evidence whether the Vlaklaagte granite, which intruded into fissures in the partly consolidated Makhutso Granite, represents a later magma or is a late-stage product of the Makhutso magma. The intrusive contact between the Vlaklaagte granite and Makhutso Granite is, however, very sharp (Fig. 3-1). The approximate boundaries of the Vlaklaagte granite, indicated in Fig. 2-1, were in places inferred because of the lack of outcrops.

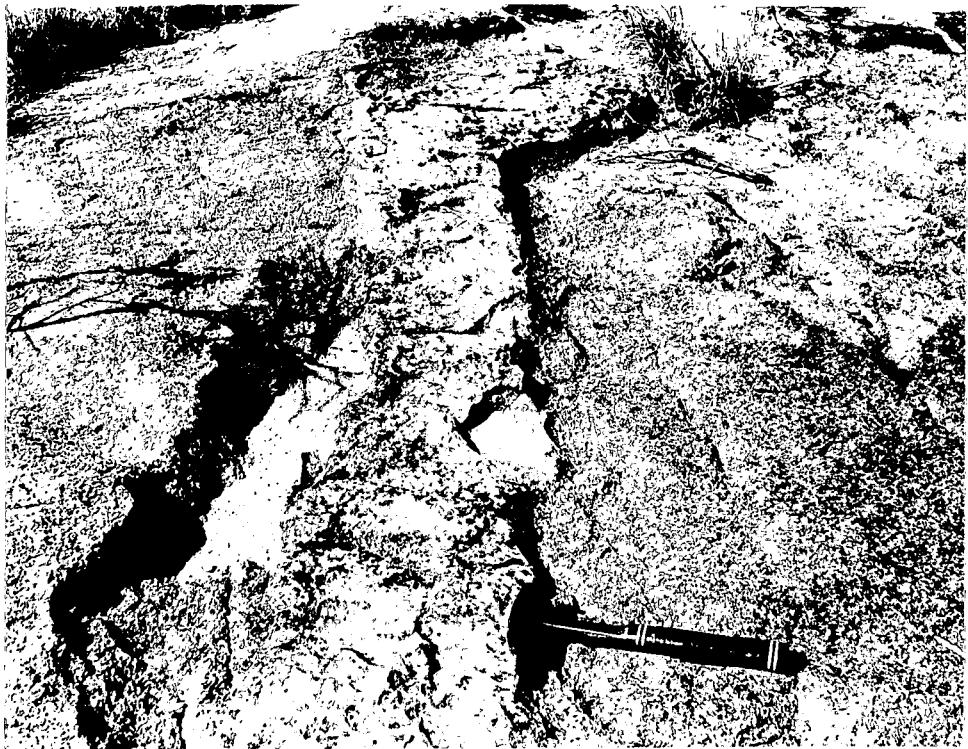


Fig. 3-1: Photograph showing the sharp intrusive contact between the Vlaklaagte granite (fine-grained) and the Makhutso Granite (coarse-grained).

The tin mineralisation is associated with a well-defined zone of irregularly shaped greisen lodes and quartz veins which strike NNE and occur in the granophyre as well as the Vlaklaagte and Makhutso Granites. These structures represent a major zone of fissuring in the Bushveld granite and granophyre (Fig. 2-1). The medium grained greisen bodies are marked by intensive prophyllitic alteration and the presence of fluor spar. The greisen lodes are surrounded by halos of red colouration, probably due to secondary alteration, which decrease in extent away from the greisen lode contacts.

The quartz veins are in places pegmatitic, associated with the greisens and form single discontinuous bodies and swarms of almost parallel veins in the granites and granophyre. They carry variable amounts of arsenopyrite, chalcopyrite, bornite, cassiterite and molybdenite, but are badly exposed and have not been well prospected. Wall-rock alteration around the more sulphide-rich veins is limited.

The Mo mineralisation is mainly present in an aplitic differentiate of the Vlaklaagte granite near to the north-northwestern contact with the Makhutso Granite. Disseminated molybdenite flakes are scattered throughout the Vlaklaagte granite in areas where the greisen bodies and quartz-pegmatite veins occur.

From the geological evidence, it is concluded that the erosion of the batholith has reached a level where a large part of the greisenisation halo is exposed.

According to the field evidence the aplitic phase is restricted to a specific zone in the Vlaklaagte granite, whilst the greisens are restricted to the roof zone of this granite as well as to the lower contact zones of the Makhutso Granite.

Using Schcherba's (1970a) classification of greisenisation halos, it is concluded that the Vlaklaagte granite corresponds to the inner halo (endo-intrusional zone) and is characterised by endo-greisens, whereas the Makhutso Granite and Stavoren Granophyre represent an outer halo (exo-intrusional zone) and are characterised by their associated exo-greisens and hydrothermalites. The Vlaklaagte deposit is therefore classified

as a quartz-vein greisen in aluminium-silicate rocks (Schcherba, 1970b).

According to Groves (1972), Gee and Groves (1971) and Schcherba (1970a) the style of mineralisation in these types of batholiths and their satellites, is distinctive whilst the deposits are usually located in or close to the roof zones of the late biotite and muscovite-bearing intrusives. The occurrence of sulphides and arsenides in the quartz veins represents the outer rim of the outer halo.

3.2 CLIMATE AND GEOMORPHOLOGY

The study area is situated on the temperate, eastern plateau of Southern Africa with mean monthly temperatures ranging from 10 °C in June-July to 25 °C in January (Juta & Co., 1979). Diurnal temperature ranges, especially in winter, are large and at night temperatures may fall below zero.

The annual precipitation varies between 500 mm and 1000 mm, occurring predominantly in the summer months (Juta & Co., 1979) either as thunder showers or as continuous gentle rain. The surface run-off increases from heavy after thunder showers to slow run-off after gentle showers. In Fig. 3-2 the surface topography of the area is shown. The undulating topography ranges between 1280 m and 1370 m above the east-draining, perennial Klipspruit stream. The gradients of the slopes are low and the summits of the higher ground flat. Soil transportation is at present minimal and thus influences present soil profile formation. The area is soil covered with grassland being the natural vegetation. A few scattered trees, mountain syringa (*Kirkia Wilmsii*) which are known to flourish in thick sandy soils, also occur on the ridges.

The sub-soil topography, i.e. the topography of the bedrock below, controls the direction of groundwater movement. Fig. 3-3 illustrates the sub-soil topography and the thickness of the regolith, as determined by the auger boreholes and prospecting pits dug in the area. The pedogenetic horizons together with mineralogical and geochemical data for each pit are presented in Appendix A.

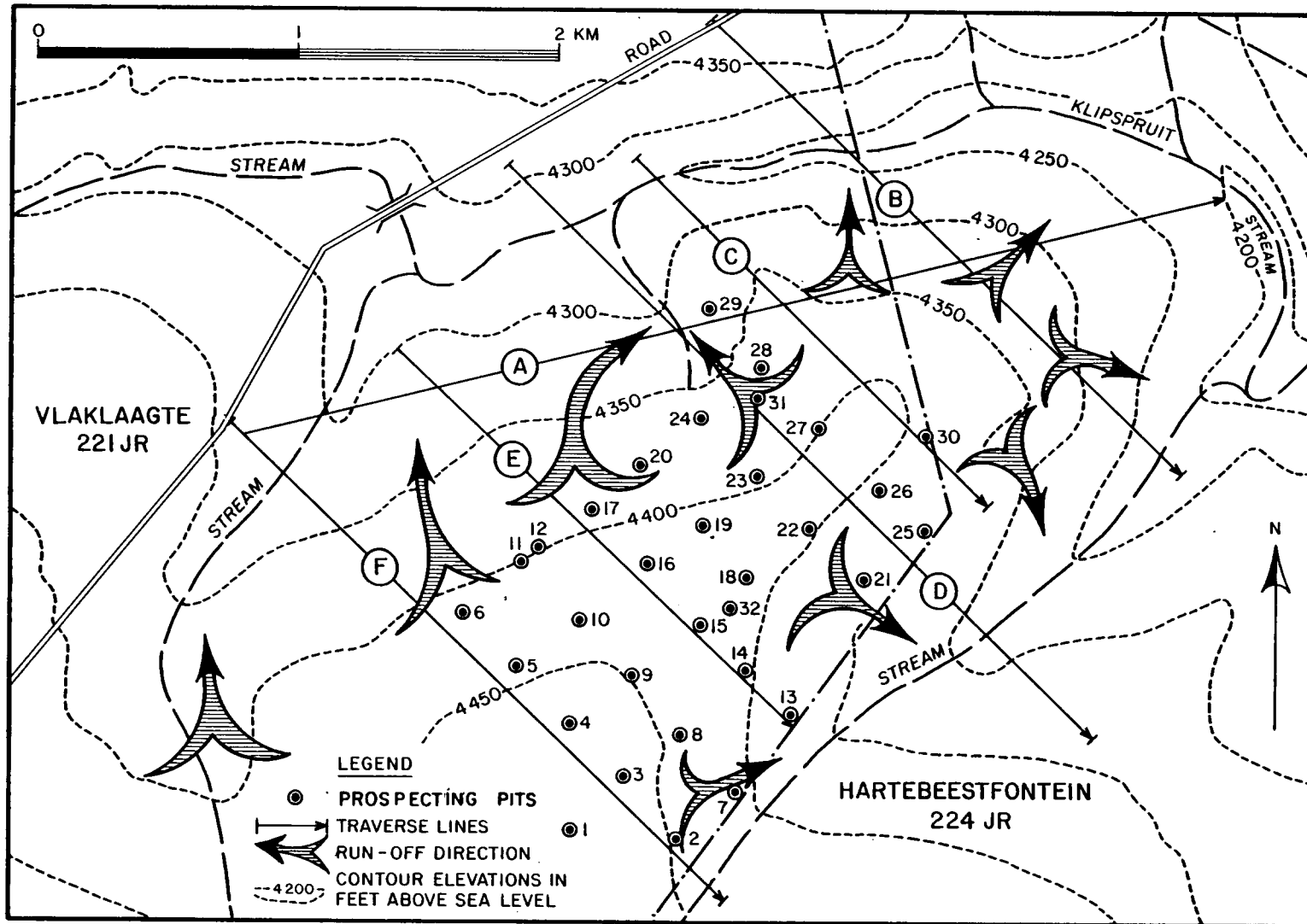


Figure 3-2: Topographical map of the area showing the traverse lines, prospecting pit positions and surface run-off patterns.

The thickness contours shown in Fig. 3-3 indicate a good correlation with the topography shown in Fig. 3-2. In general there is a decrease of the soil thickness in the higher-lying parts of the area and a significant thickening in the lower parts, especially near the drainage channels. A slight local high is seen at position K in Fig. 3-3. This could have a minor effect on the subsurface groundwater drainage and is probably related to the presence of aplitic granite at this location.

3.3 THE COMPOSITION, DISTRIBUTION AND ORIGIN OF THE SOILS

3.3.1 Surface soils

The surface soils, using the azonal classification in Table 3-1, and the distribution of the different soil types are depicted in Fig. 3-4. Although it is expected that residual soils should occur on the top of the ridge, it is evident from the map that the entire area is covered with transported soils, either colluvium (most of which was not transported very far) or alluvium. This appears to be the characteristic weathering phenomena of granitic rocks (Fairbridge, 1968).

The two most characteristic granite landforms in the area together with the weathering phenomena expected for each are shown in Fig. 3-5. The flat ridges (Fig. 3-5B) contain spheroidal granite boulders which outcrop intermittently on top of the ridges. The hollows in between are filled with colluvium which covers the residual soils (Fig. 3-5B, pit 22). Colluvium also covers residual soils on the slopes of the ridges (Fig. 3-5B, pits 21 and 23). The residual soils along the slopes below granite domes are also covered with colluvium (Fig. 3-5A). It is therefore clear that no "in situ" residual soils are found at the surface in this area.

The most abundant soil-type consists of upper slope colluvium together with pockets of colluvium on the crests (Fig. 3-4). On the upper slopes the colluvium is between 1,5 and 2 m thick. The lower slopes of the ridges are covered by middle slope and foot slope colluvium that varies from 2 to 5 m in thickness.

Alluvial sediments are confined to the drainage channels

TABLE 3-1: AN AZONAL CLASSIFICATION OF SOILS IN RELATION TO PARENT MATERIAL AND TOPOGRAPHY.

| SOIL TYPES | OCCURENCE | MODE OF FORMATION | COMPOSITION | STRUCTURE |
|---|---|---|---|--|
| H I T T I O L I T H R E G O L I T H A L L U V I U M S O I L S T R A N S P O R T E D S O I L S A L L U V I U M R E S I D U A L S O I L S (S A P R O L I T E) | IN SITU | WEATHERING IN SITU | MATERIAL NOT REMOVED FROM ITS GENETIC SITE | INTERSTITIONAL GRAIN RELATIONSHIPS UNDISTURBED |
| | CREST (POCKETS); UPPER SLOPE; MIDDLE SLOPE; FOOT SLOPE | GRAVITY; SOIL CREEP; SHEET EROSION; RAINWASH | HETEROGENEOUS MATERIAL (SOIL) REMOVED FROM ITS GENETIC SITE | INTERSTITIONAL GRAIN RELATIONSHIPS DESTROYED (MATERIAL UNSORTED) |
| | VALLEYS; STREAMS; RIVERS | WATER TRANSPORTED | | INTERBEDDED LAYERS OF SORTED AND PARTLY SORTED MATERIAL |

INCREASING DISTANCE OF TRANSPORTATION
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COMBINED
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MATERIAL BECOMES MORE HETEROGENEOUS
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MATERIAL BECOMES MORE ROUNDED AND SORTED
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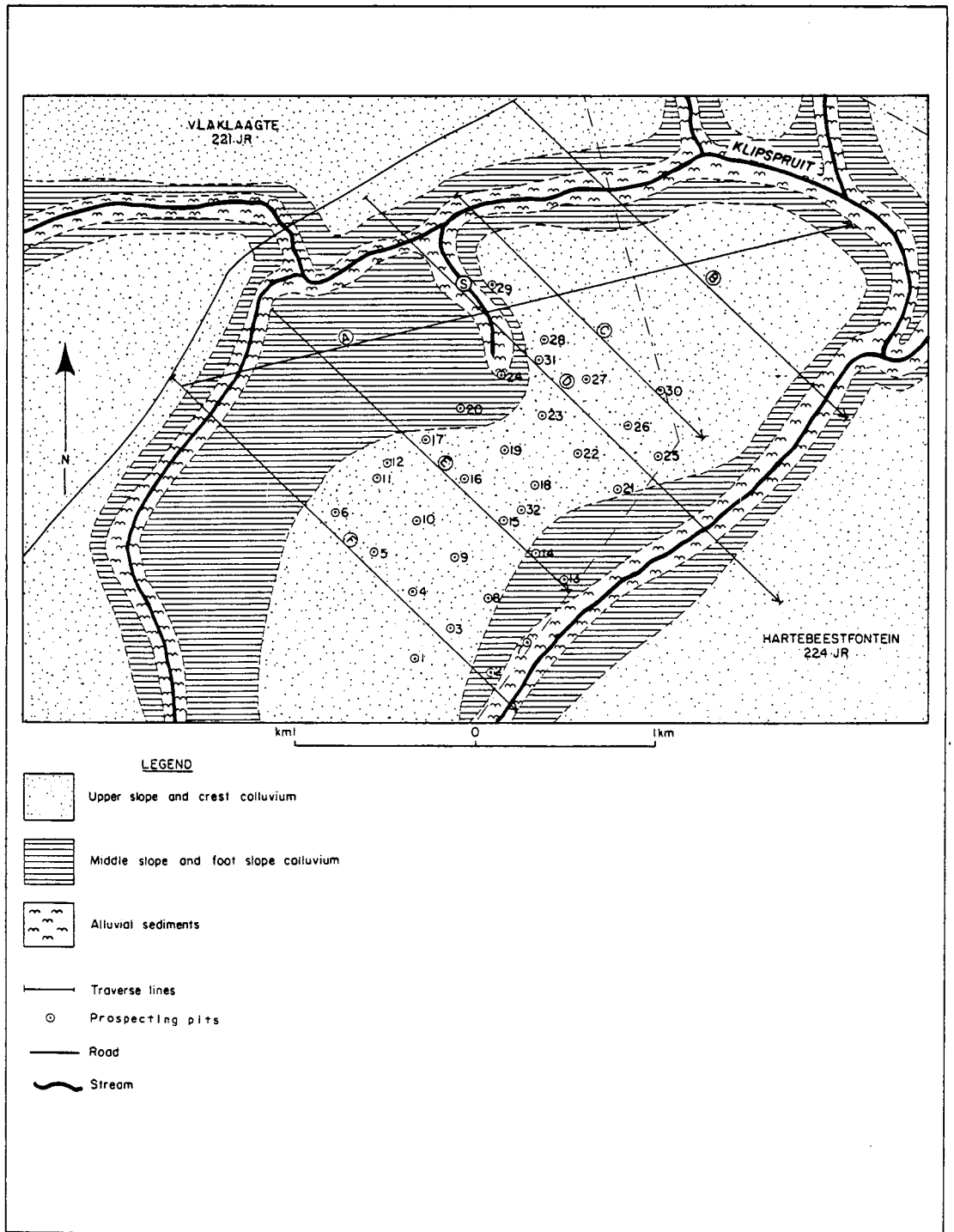


Figure 3-4: Map indicating the approximate boundaries of the different types of surface soils.

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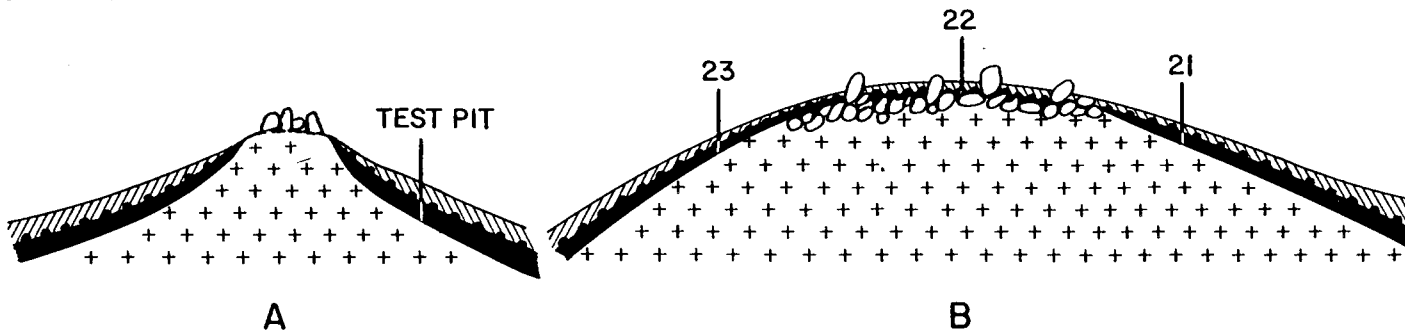
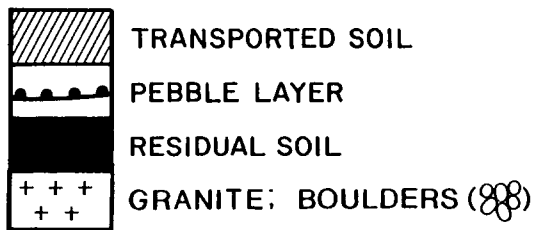


Figure 3-5: A schematic presentation of the two characteristic granite landforms in the area together with the weathering phenomenon of A) a granite dome marked by exfoliation and B) a flat ridge with occasional outcrops of spheroidal granite boulders.

and range from 2 to 10 m in thickness. Along the creeks the sediments form typical "vlei" deposits containing peaty carbonaceous soil. At location S (Fig. 3-4) the alluvial material has been worked by miners and judging from the extent of trenching, some cassiterite must have been recovered. Along the Klipspruit the alluvium consists predominantly of sandy quartz.

3.3.2 Subsurface soils

The presence of colluvium and alluvium excludes the possible development of normal soil horizons from residual soils by pedogenetic processes. True genetic soil horizons, although poorly developed, can, however, be recognised in the transported soils. The soil profiles (Appendix A) also show that the homogenising processes of soil formation have destroyed most of the evidence of deposition in the transported material. The only evidence of stratification that remains in the soils is a well-marked zone of angular and sometimes rounded quartz pebbles or rubble. This "stone line" or "pebble layer" separates the transported soils from the residual soils and solid bedrock.

Two distinctive topographically bounded soil profiles are distinguished. The more general one is a lateritic (latosol) soil profile, also known as a ferrisol or ferrallitic soil profile using the classifications after Bridges (1970) and Simonson (1957). These soils are usually moderately acid.

Lateritic soils usually develop under conditions of fairly high rainfall, high temperatures, intense leaching and strong oxidation (Levinson, 1980). According to Vermaak (1984) such conditions which were suitable for the formation of lateritic soils, existed during several palaeo-cycles since the Lower Pleistocene.

The second type of soil profile is restricted to topographic depressions and can be classified as a "vlei" profile (James, 1957). In contrast to the lateritic profiles which have a distinct stratified colluvial component, the vlei profiles have a stratified alluvial component.

3.3.2.1 Latosol (lateritic) profile

Generalised soil profiles of the ridge and upper slope areas are illustrated in Fig. 3-6. The diagnostic horizons shown here are based on the soil classification system of MacVicar *et al.*, (1977).

Before discussing the diagnostic horizons in detail, the relationship between the pebble layer and the B horizon needs clarification. The pebble layer is a non-diagnostic zone and has a variable position in the soil profile (Fig. 3-6). Its position varies considerably and depends on the thickness of the transported soils above it. If the transported soils are thick, the entire B horizon can be developed above the pebble layer (Fig. 3-6A). Alternatively the B horizon may be developed entirely below it in the residual soil (Fig. 3-6B). Since the pebble layer represents an unconformity the profile in Fig. 3-6B can be considered to represent a partly stripped palaeo-profile whilst that in Fig. 3-6A is a completely stripped palaeo-profile.

A typical A horizon, developed through leaching by downward percolating rainwater, can be sub-divided into three horizons:-

A₁ horizon: This is a dark-coloured, orthic A horizon which MacVicar *et al.*, (1977) describe as "normal" for the majority of soils in South Africa. It is also the zone of maximum biological activity, characterised by humus mixed with mineral matter. The soils are medium textured and weakly structured with a thickness of less than 30 cm.

A₂ or E horizon: Maximum leaching takes place in this zone, which is pale greyish in colour. The material has a loose structure and consists predominantly of quartzitic sands with most of the clays leached from it. This zone is usually less than 35 cm thick and is very poorly developed in some profiles.

A₃ horizon: The A₃ horizon has developed only where the B horizon occurs in the transported soils (Fig. 3-6A). It is brown in colour and transitional into the B horizon but displays the characteristics of the A rather than the B horizon.

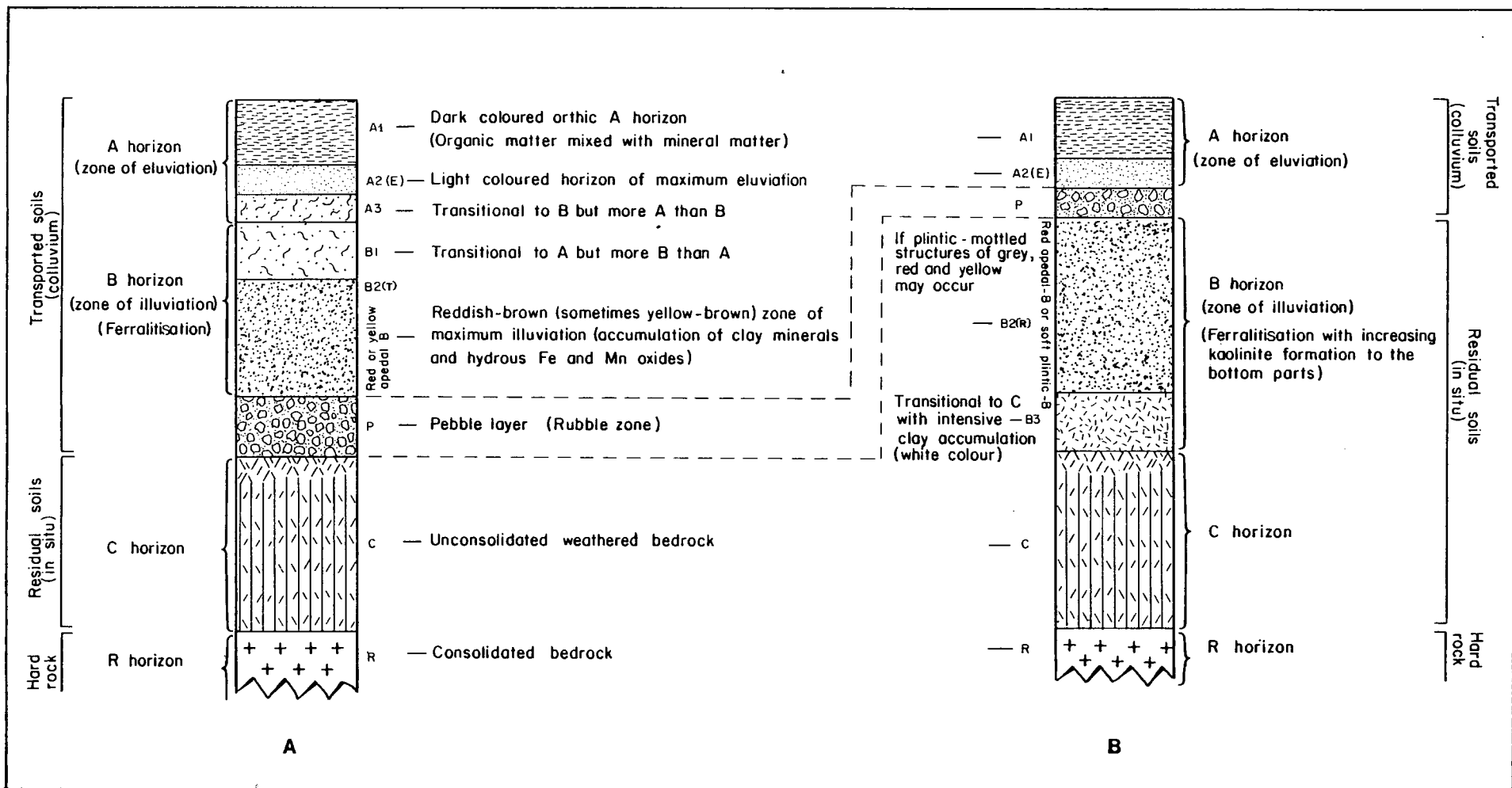


Figure 3-6: Generalised latosol soil profile with A) a stripped and B) a partly stripped palaeo-profile.

A typical B horizon can be sub-divided into three zones, marked by illuviation (accumulation):-

B₁ horizon: This brown-reddish zone is transitional to the A₃ horizon and formed under conditions of illuviation, accumulating leached material from the A horizon. The zone displays more characteristics of the B horizon.

B₂ horizon: This is the zone of maximum illuviation of metals, clays and Fe and Mn oxides. The Fe and Mn oxides usually cause a red colouration in the soils. The zone can be classified as a red apedal B₂(T) horizon when it developed in transported soils and is marked by structureless soils in which the individual soil particles are coated with iron oxides. However, in cases where the parent material has a low Fe²⁺ content or where the soils have a higher average moisture content a yellow brown apedal B₂(T) horizon develops (MacVicar *et al.*, 1977).

When the B horizon is developed in the residual soils it is a dark red apedal B₂(R) horizon with a soft plintic structure which preserves the granitic texture. This zone sometimes displays red, yellow and grey mottles (concretions) which are due to the accumulation of clay minerals and Fe and Mn oxides. According to MacVicar *et al.*, (1977) and Bayliss (1972) the mottled structures are characteristic of zones which are periodically saturated with water. The clay (kaolinite) content in the B₂(R) horizon increases gradually down to the B₃ horizon.

The thickness of the transported soils above the pebble layer, shown in Fig. 3-7, gives an indication of the type of B horizon that can be expected in the area.

B₃ horizon: The B₃ horizon develops only when the B horizon is situated in the residual soils (Fig. 3-6B) and is then transitional to the C horizon. It contains some unconsolidated material from the C horizon, is whitish in colour and marked by intensive clay accumulation. Mottled structures, marked by dominant white concretions (possibly gleyish), are observed in this zone.

C horizon: This zone consists of "in situ" unconsolidated weathered bedrock and its thickness depends on the susceptibility

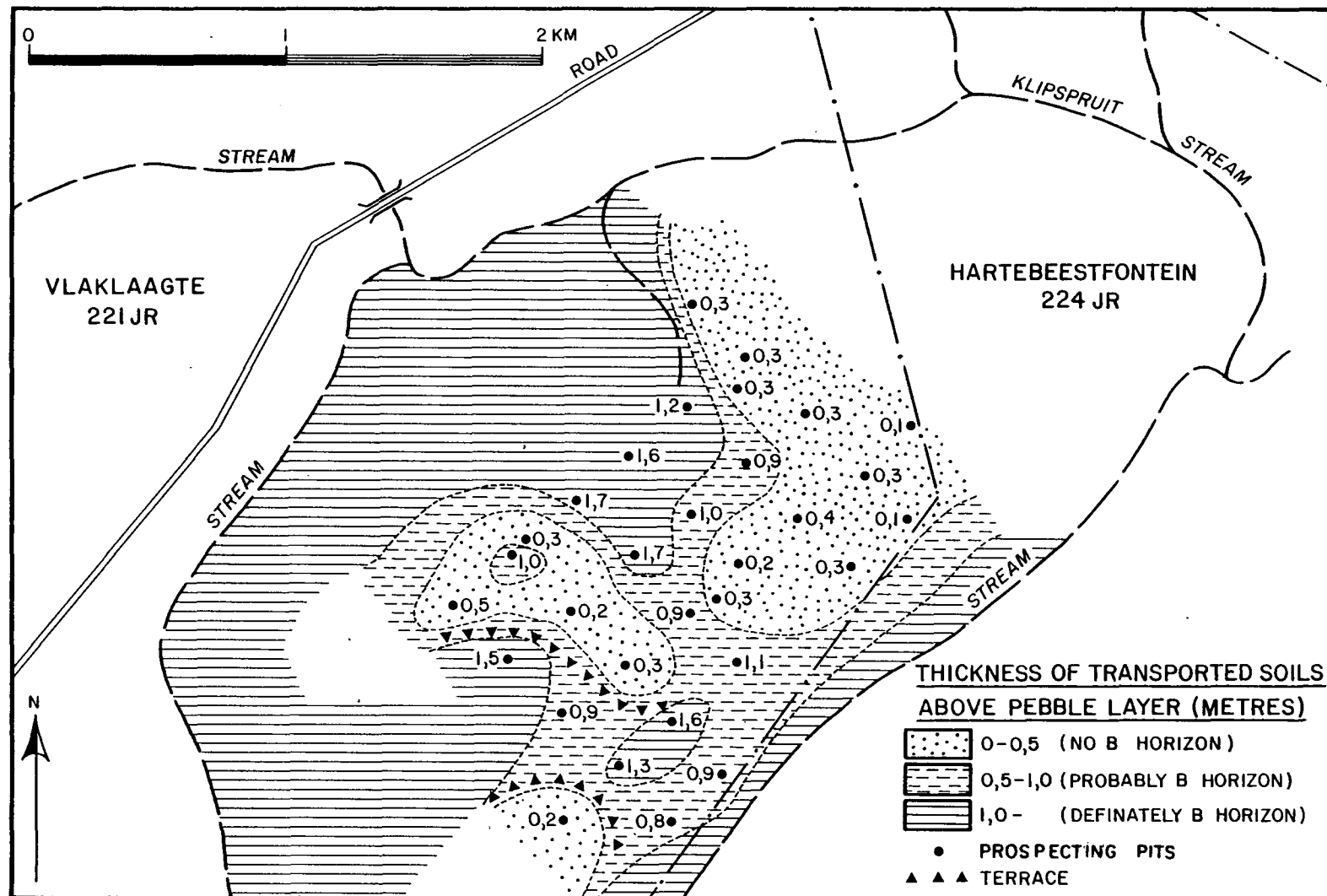


Figure 3-7: The approximate thickness of the transported soils above the pebble layer.

of the bedrock to weathering. Table 3-2, based on field observations, lists the rock types in the study area in order of decreasing susceptibility to weathering.

TABLE 3-2. RELATIVE WEATHERING SUSCEPTIBILITIES OF THE ROCK TYPES IN THE STUDY AREA.

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| High susceptibility | Grey Makhutso Granite Grey Vlaklaagte granite |
| Medium susceptibility | Stavoren Granophyre Granite aplite |
| Low susceptibility | Quartz pegmatite |

From this it is concluded that the C horizon is thicker above the Makhutso Granite than above the aplitic granite under the same weathering conditions.

R horizon: This is solid bedrock (parent material) which contributes material to the C horizon.

Pebble layer or rubble zone (P horizon): This horizon consists of quartz pebbles and rubble and marks a palaeo-surface that may have formed through the selective removal and redeposition of material under high energy conditions during a period of unusually high rainfall (Fig. 3-8). James (1957) describes a "stone line" or "pebble zone" in Rhodesian soils and in part accounts for it as a consequence of the activities of termites bringing fine material to the surface with the consequent sinking of larger material. The possibility that the top of the zone could mark the point below which soil creep does not take place is also mentioned.

Brink and Williams (1977) described this zone as a "pebble marker" and regarded it to be the result of gravity and rainwash which may have taken place in the Pleistocene or even in the Tertiary.

Evidence found in the pebble layer on the farm Vlaklaagte 221 JR tends to support the contentions of Brink and Williams (1977).

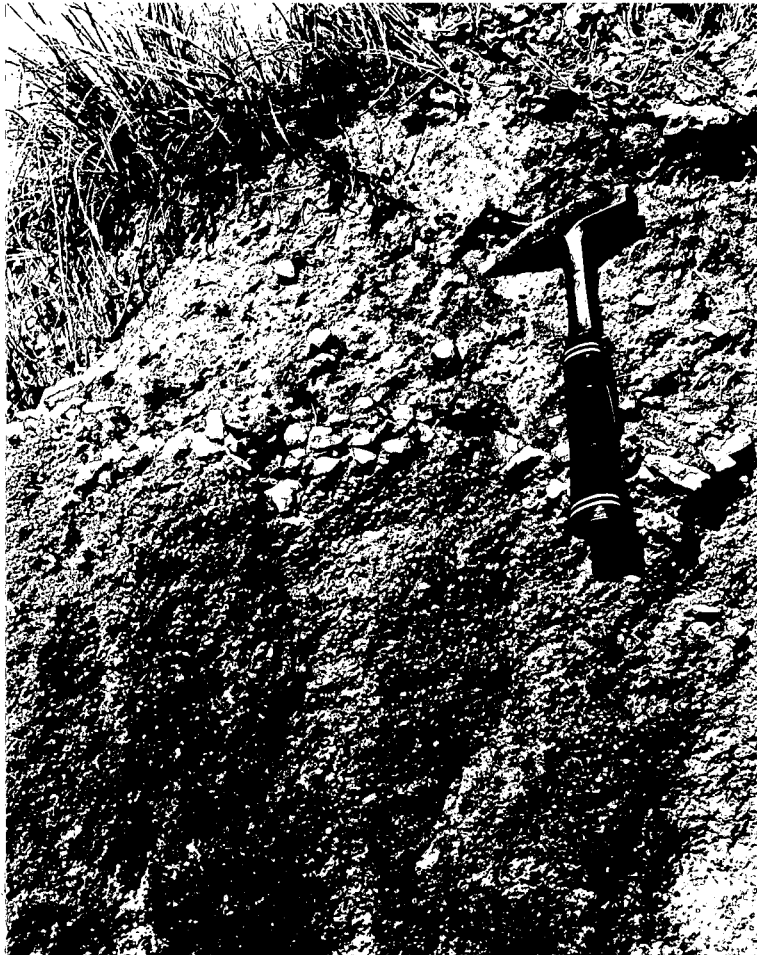


Fig. 3-8: The pebble layer.

These include:-

- The elongated quartz pebbles, specifically those along the slopes, have an orientation which coincides with the present surface run-off direction (Fig. 3-9).
- The quartz pebbles become more rounded down slope, which is an indication of the distance of transportation.
- The size of most of the quartz pebbles (essentially on the ridge) indicates that they originated from quartz pegmatite veins; the latter are found only in some parts of the area.
- Relatively unaltered greisen and quartz veins, observed in some of the pits end at the pebble layer with no sign of a continuation above it. This indicates that that the soils above the pebble layer are not "in situ".
- Weakly structured soils which occasionally show grading due to transportation are present above the pebble layer. Below it the granitic structure is preserved.

The pebble layer is particularly well developed on top of the ridge where it occurs as a thin sheet of large angular and subangular quartz pebbles and more resistant rock material. The latter includes boulders of greisen and greisenised granite. The quartz pebbles decrease in size and become more rounded and sorted further down slope, whilst the pebble layer becomes thicker (Fig. 3-9). This indicates that intensive rainwash did take place on top of the ridge and above the resistant aplitic granite.

Due to the fact that the B horizon tends to develop at a fixed depth with the lower limit at about 1.5 m from the surface, the pebble layer may occur at virtually any position in the soil profile, between the A and R horizon (Fig. 3-6).

3.3.2.2 Vlei profiles

These soils are the result of flooding and waterlogging in the shallow valleys. The profiles are built up of different layers of stratified alluvium and it proved impossible to recognise any conventional soil stratigraphy in it.

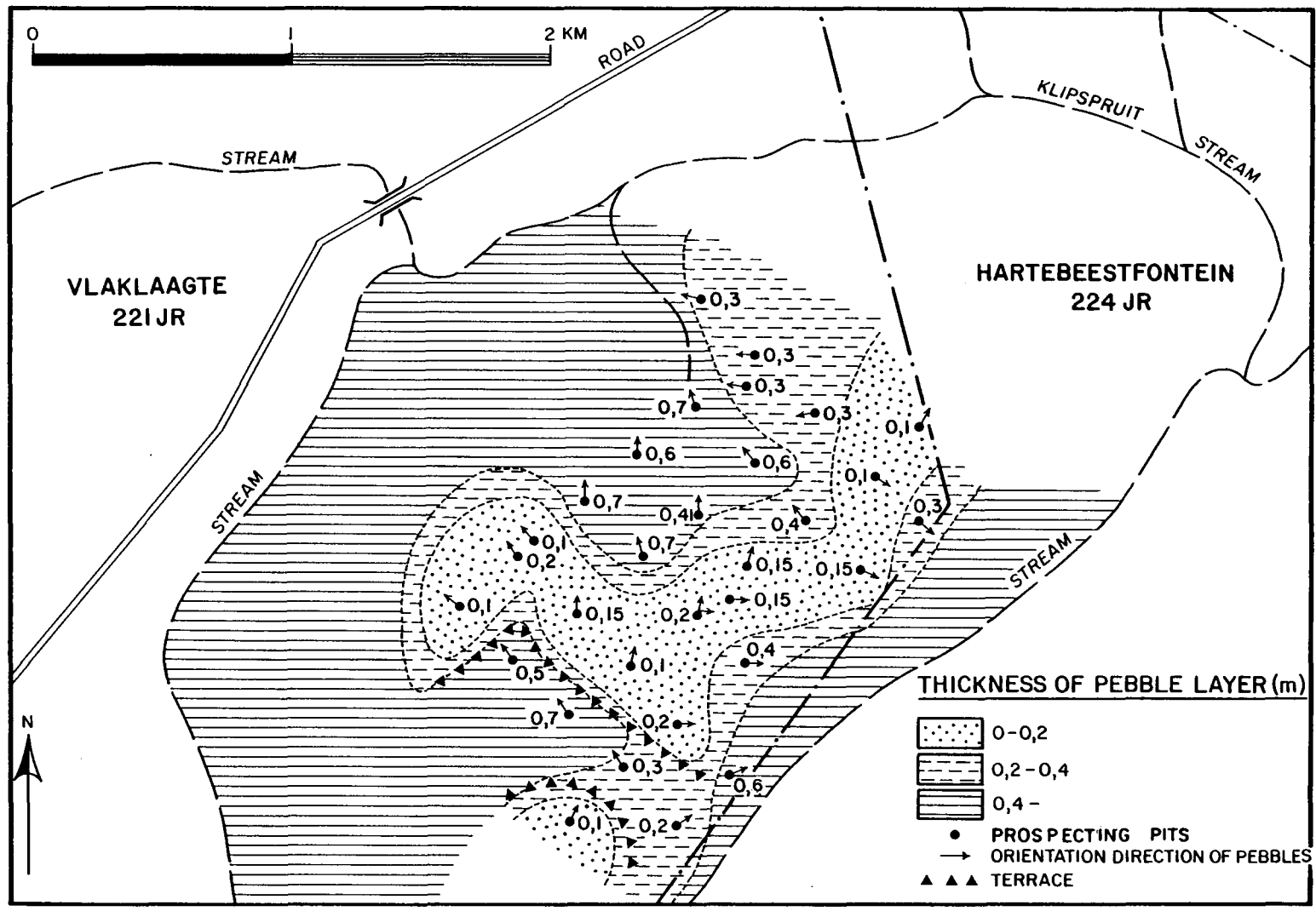


Figure 3-9: Map showing the approximate thickness of the pebble layer.

The soil profiles are characterised by an organic-rich grey-black horizon. No B horizon was observed due to the fact that the soil profiles are built up of interbedded layers of leached quartz sand and organic rich clay (Appendix A, profile 13).

The interlayering reflects the variation in climatic conditions during the period of soil formation. The quartz sands represent periods of high energy whilst the organic-rich clay layers represent periods of lower energy and sedge vegetation. This could be explained by successive flooding, torrential rains or capturing of the river upstream.

3.3.3 Bedrock material

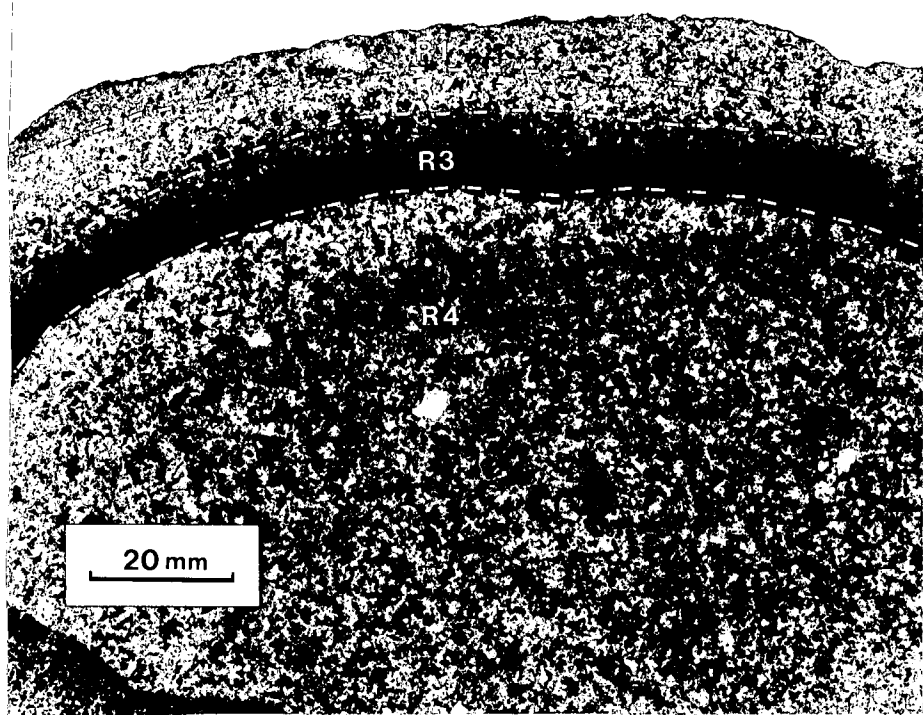
Although the classification of MacVicar et al. (1977) covers diagnostic horizons in unconsolidated material (soils), they make no provision for weathering zones in bedrock material. Fig. 3-10 illustrates typical weathering zones which are referred to as R1, R2, R3 and R4 in the R horizon of profile 6 (Appendix A) on the Vlaklaagte granite. They result from "in situ" chemical weathering and represent different stages of the chemical breakdown of the bedrock.

In profile the zones are as follows:

- R4 zone:- An inner zone with relatively fresh, unaltered to slightly altered grey Vlaklaagte granite.
- R3 zone:- A red oxidation zone of altered granite.
- R2 zone:- A whitish-grey leached (reducing) zone of altered granite.
- R1 zone:- A brown zone of highly altered granite.

3.3.4 Genesis of soil profiles







In Fig. 3-11 a generalised schematic soil profile from the top of a ridge down to the valley is presented. It is assumed from the stratigraphic position of the pebble layer, that most of the palaeo-colluvium and residual soils on top of the ridge and upper slopes were redeposited on the lower slopes at the time of formation of the pebble layer. The pebble layer therefore overlies the residual soils or bedrock on the ridge and upper

**LEGEND**

- R1 - Highly weathered zone
- R2 - Reduced zone
- R3 - Oxidised zone
- R4 - Unaltered zone

Fig. 3-10: Weathering zones in the bedrock material.

LEGEND

| | |
|---|------------------------------|
|  | ALLUVIAL SEDIMENTS |
|  | RECENT-COLLUVIUM |
|  | PEBBLE LAYER |
|  | PALAEO-COLLUVIUM |
|  | RESIDUAL SOILS (in situ) |
|  | GRANITIC ROCKS (unweathered) |

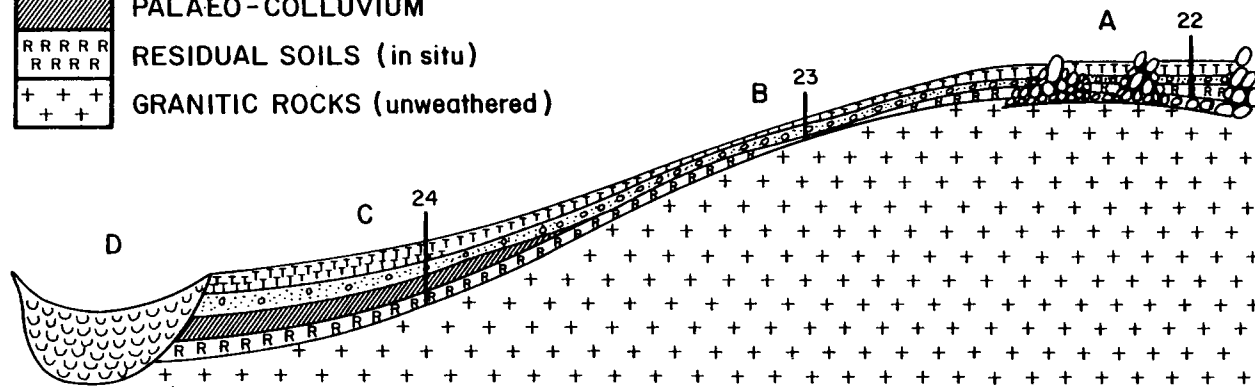


Figure 3-11: A schematic representation showing the succession of soils in the area: (A - upper slope and localised pockets on the crest; B - middle slope; C - foot slope and D - valley floor).

slopes. At the lower foot slopes, material from the higher ground is redeposited on palaeo-colluvium not removed during this high energy period (Appendix A, profile 24).

The transported soils above the pebble layer represent a more recent stage of colluvial deposition. Variations in thicknesses of these transported soils (Fig. 3-7) largely coincide with the variation in thickness of the pebble layer (Fig. 3-9). The pebble layer represents high energy conditions, whilst the recent transported soils represent lower energy conditions.

From the above evidence it is clear that at least three distinct periods of soil profile development existed in the study area. Two drier periods are separated by a period of moderate stripping. It is possible that several periods of stripping occurred since the Lower Pleistocene as portrayed by Vermaak (1984). Following the above processes soil profile development continued in both the remaining palaeo-profiles and the newly formed sediments, thus resulting in superimposed profiles. Fig. 3-12 is a schematic presentation of the proposed sequence of events.

The high-rainfall conditions causing the formation of the pebble layer also caused the development of the typical lateritic profiles still witnessed in the residual soils. Bayliss (1972) and Sherman and Kanehiro (1954) suggest that the mottled and pallid zones usually develop in the upper and lower C horizon respectively, which are evidently not their position in the present profiles. The present profiles are characterised by a lateritic, mottled B horizon and a lower gleyed (pallid) zone. On the foot slopes the mottled and pallid zones are expected to remain in the top part of the C horizon (Fig. 3-12).

The formation of mottled or gleyed zones have resulted from watersaturation in the zone of lateral groundwater movement (i.e. the C horizon) during the Pleistocene or Tertiary. These zones which are typical of high rainfall and oxidising environments then remained as non-diagnostic palaeo-zones in the present soil profiles.

This is the main reason why these mottled and gleyish zones occur in the residual soils directly above or in the upper part

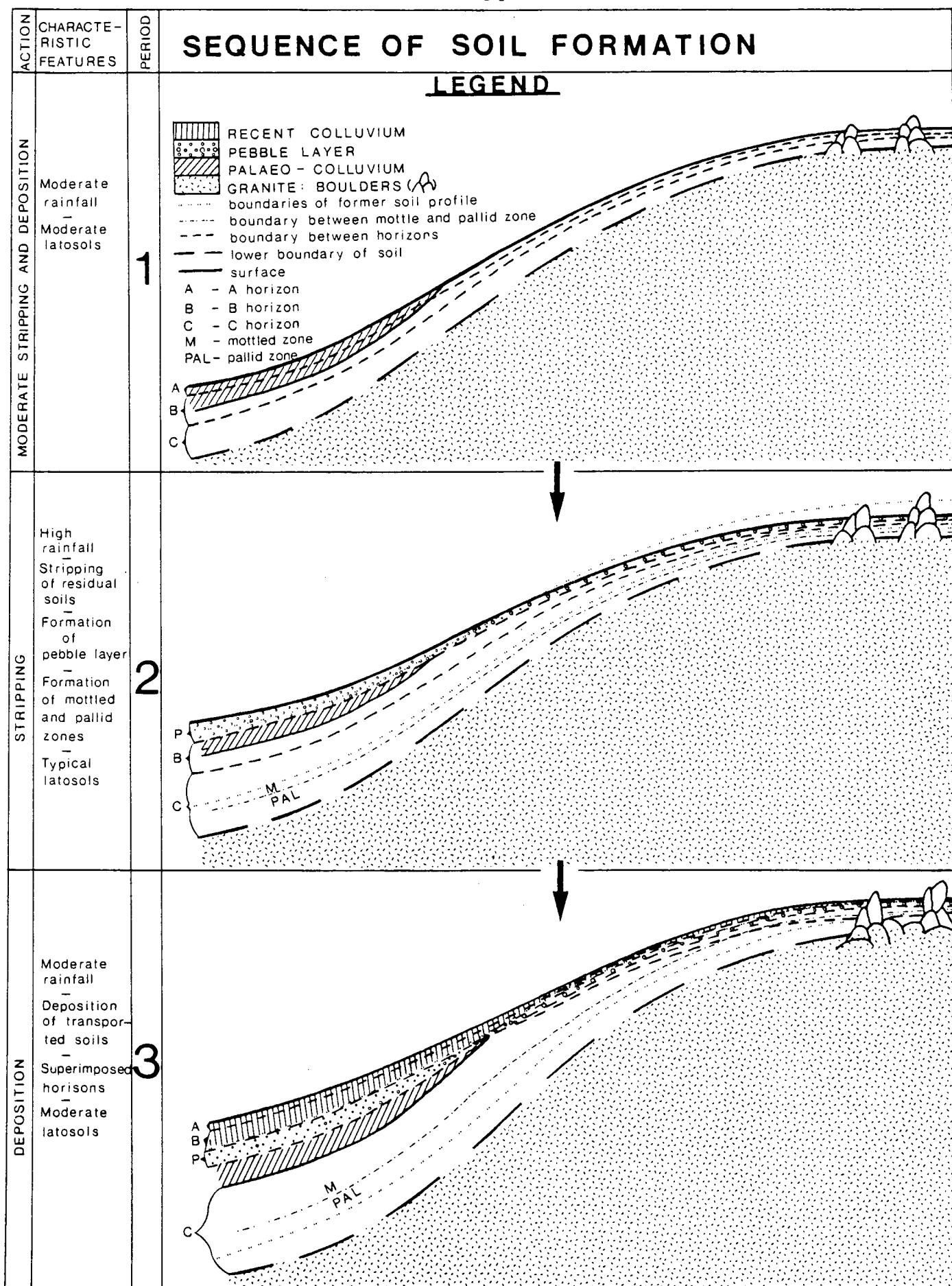


Figure 3-12: A schematic presentation of the proposed sequence of events during soil formation in the area.

of the C horizon and below the pebble layer. In the more recently transported soils above the pebble layer similar zones do not occur and are due to the relatively drier conditions which prevailed in the Holocene. The soils developed during the Pleistocene or Tertiary appear to be typically lateritic.

The Holocene soil profiles in the transported soils are less lateritic due to the lower rainfall and the absence of a fluctuating watertable. These soils can thus be classified as either Shepstone Form or Hutton Form soils (MacVicar *et al.*, 1977). The presence of an A₂ horizon fits the model of the Shepstone Form and when not developed, the model of the Hutton Form soils is applicable.

4. PETROGRAPHY AND MINERALOGY

A study of the petrography and mineralogy of the various rock types in the area is essential as they act as the source for all the secondary material. The rock types studied are the Stavoren Granophyre, Makhutso Granite, Vlakraagte granite, granite aplite and all the associated alteration products.

The Stavoren Granophyre is typically fine-grained and has a red colour. It consists of turbid grains of orthoclase micrographically intergrown with quartz. Plagioclase (albite-oligoclase) occurs mainly as a colourless phase in microperthite. The ferromagnesian minerals are biotite and hornblende whilst the accessory minerals include zircon, sphene, apatite, fluorite, magnetite, ilmenite and hematite.

The Makhutso Granite is a grey, coarse-grained biotite granite which is porphyritic in places. Altered subhedral orthoclase, quartz (which mainly occupies irregular interspaces), euhedral oligoclase, biotite (anhedral and interstitial) and hornblende are the major constituents. Intergrowths of orthoclase and plagioclase are common whilst micrographic intergrowths between quartz and orthoclase are also present. Myrmekite is often present in minor amounts and saussurite and sericite occur as minor alteration products of the plagioclase and orthoclase respectively. The biotite and hornblende are slightly chloritised. The accessory minerals include muscovite, sphene, zircon (malakon) and opaque minerals such as magnetite, ilmenite, hematite and pyrite which are usually associated with biotite.

The Vlakraagte granite is a grey fine-grained granite which is porphyritic in places. It is intrusive into the Makhutso Granite and is considered to be the equivalent of the Koornkopje granite (Marlow, 1976). Except for the fine-grained texture and the abundance of biotite and molybdenite, no mineralogical difference exists between it and the Makhutso Granite. Molybdenite is visible in hand specimen and is restricted to more aplitic samples of the granite.

The granite aplite associated with the Vlakraagte granite, is porphyritic in places and displays a very fine-grained texture.

Euhedral phenocrysts of quartz, oligoclase, orthoclase and biotite are disseminated in an allotriomorphic matrix of the same minerals. Alteration and replacement in the Vlakraagte granite are observed, which are the result of greisenisation and the formation of quartz-pegmatite veins.

In hand specimen the endo- and exo-greisens reveal a medium- to fine-grained texture with a grey appearance (Fig. 4-1). Disseminated dark minerals (biotite and/or cassiterite) occur in these rock-types. Only isolated grains of cassiterite were found in most of the greisens and pockets of high grade ore are less common. Two examples of telescopic zonation are shown in Fig. 4-2. They include zonation around a massive greisen body (Fig. 4-2a) and zonation resulting from flash greisenisation, due to the sudden opening of fissures, (Fig. 4-2b).

Each telescopic zone has a characteristic mineralogical composition and assemblage of alteration products, which indicate that alteration increases to the inner zones i.e.:-

An outer zone of unaltered Vlakraagte granite.

A partly greisenised zone (Fig. 4-3a) of fine-grained, partly recrystallised quartz, saussuritised oligoclase, sericitised alkali feldspar and chloritised and/or epidotised biotite. Abundant epidote was recognised in the thin sections. Fluorite and cassiterite fill the veins.

A greisenised zone. A flash greisen (Fig. 4-3b) consisting of subhedral fractured quartz and anhedral topaz which are cemented in a fine-grained matrix of sericite, biotite and chlorite. Fluorite, magnetite, ilmenite, cassiterite and secondary quartz are present as veins and interstitial grains.

The greisen (Fig. 4-3c) consists of euhedral sericite and biotite, subhedral secondary quartz and minor anhedral plagioclase (oligoclase). Fluorite, chlorite, topaz and cassiterite are also abundant whilst gilbertite often occurs depending on the amount of F available. Magnetite, ilmenite and fluorite are often observed filling veins.

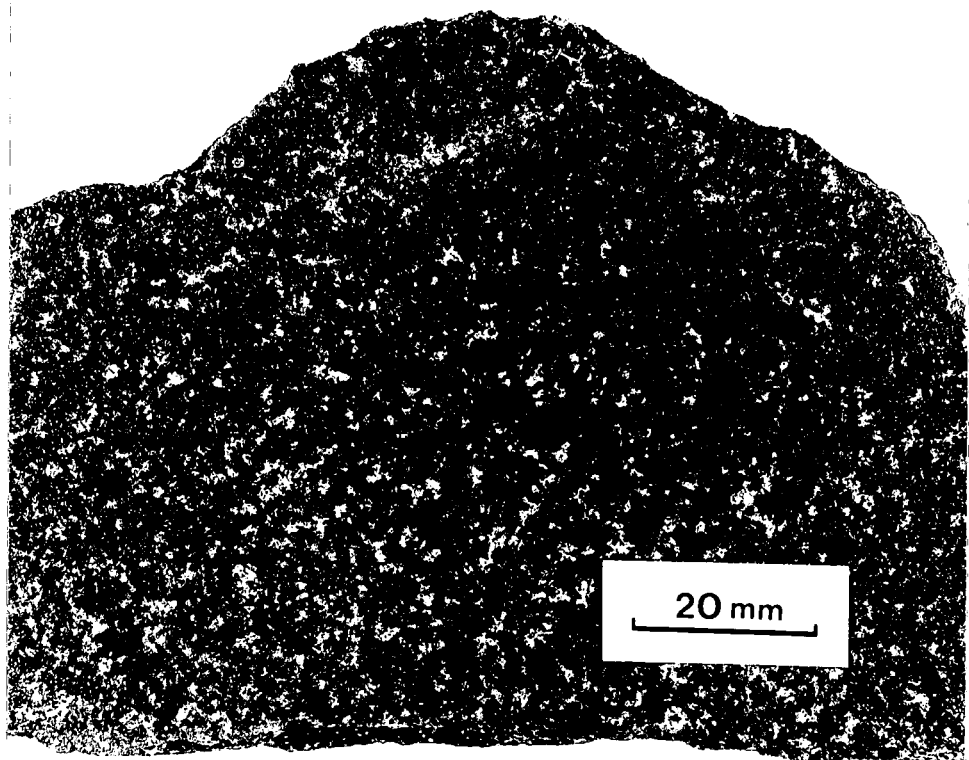
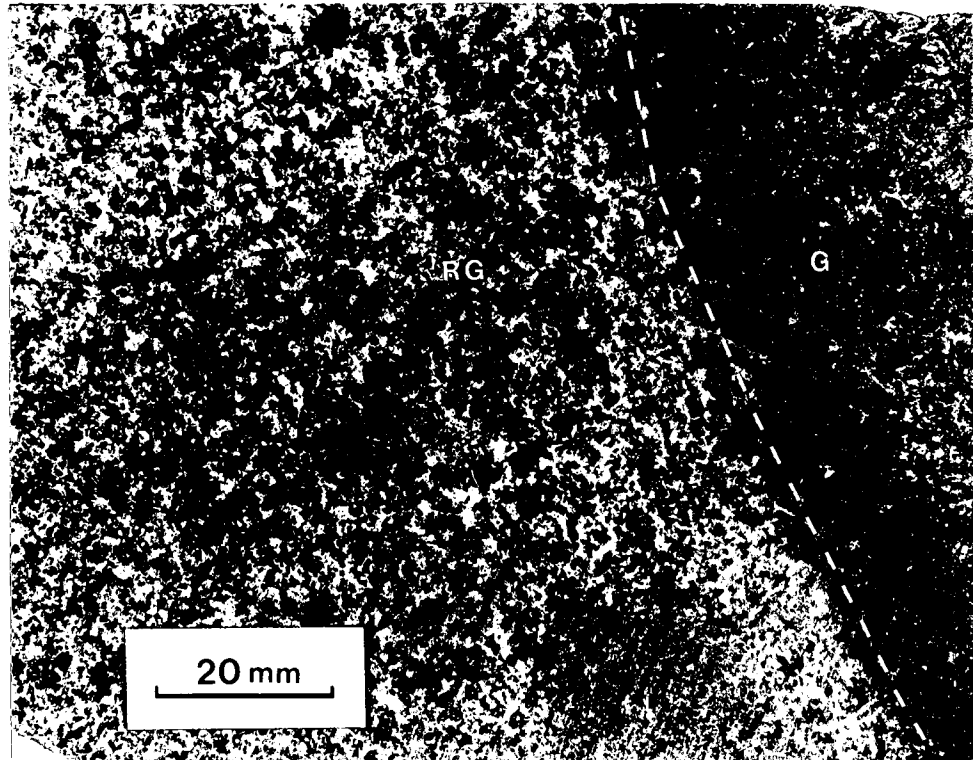
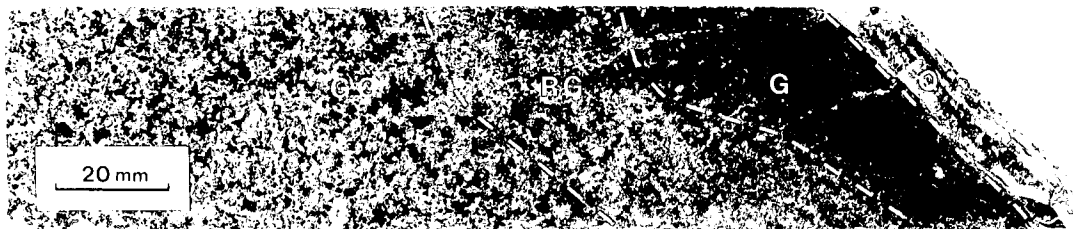


Fig. 4-1: Greisen in handspecimen.



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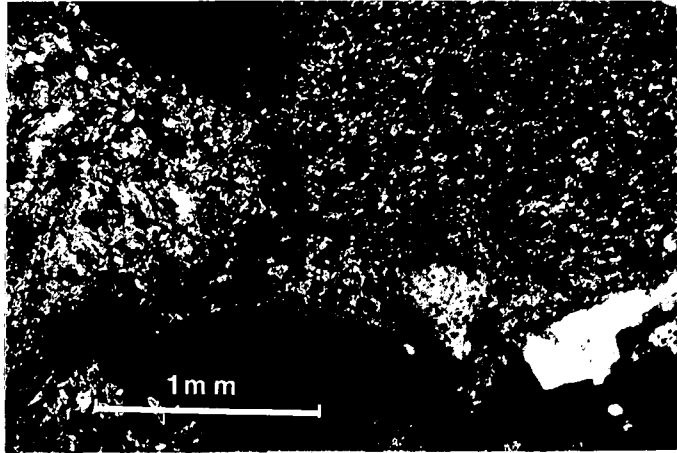


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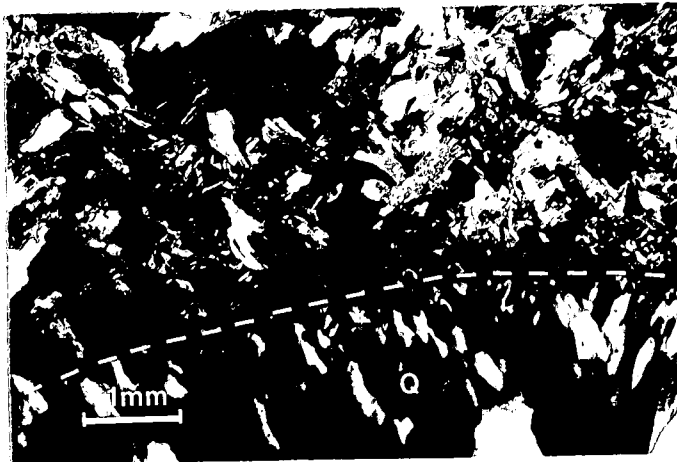
LEGEND

- Q - Quartz vein
- G - Greisen
- RG- Red granite (altered)
- GG- Grey granite

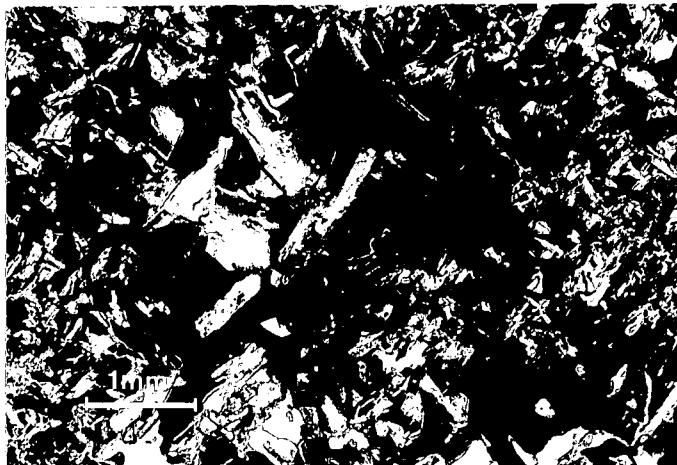
Fig. 4-2: Part of the zonation around a massive greisen body in Vlakklaagte granite (a) and zonation of a flash greisen vein in Vlakklaagte granite (b).



a



b



c

Fig. 4-3: Red altered Viaklaagte granite in thin section (a), flash greisen in contact with a quartz vein (Q) in thin section (b) and greisen in thin section (c).

A monomineral greisen facies (inner zone), not necessarily present in massive greisens. This zone consists of quartz veins with a comb-texture. Crystals of cassiterite were also observed in the veins.

Pegmatitic quartz veins near the contact with the roof rocks (i.e. the Makhutso Granite and Stavoren Granophyre) are associated with flash greisenisation. The quartzitic veins in the outer halo (exo-zone) contain chalcopyrite, bornite, arsenopyrite, minor cassiterite and ferberite. These veins represent the end phase of the greisenisation. The Makhutso Granite in contact with these veins is chloritised containing predominantly chamosite.

The greisens are regarded to be mesothermal (marked by extensive sericitisation) and the sulphide zone as epithermal (marked by chlorite and epidote).

The observed telescopic zones are typical of pneumatolitic-hydrothermal deposits (Park and Macdiarmid, 1975). These zones normally grade into lower temperature zones in the cooler wall rocks. As a result of the temperature gradient that existed chlorite and epidote, which are typical epithermal minerals, are associated with the red altered zone which occurs outside the mesothermal greisen zone.

5 MINERALOGICAL WEATHERING AND DISPERSION PATTERNS IN THE SECONDARY ENVIRONMENT.

The importance of various types of weathering under different temperature and rainfall conditions is stressed by Peltier (1950). According to his classification, the prevailing weathering action in the study area is expected to entail moderate chemical processes. The most common weathering features observed are the zoning of rocks and soils caused by the chemical breakdown and alteration of minerals.

It was shown in Chapter 3 that the weathering products in the study area can be divided into residual and transported materials. The pebble layer, which consists mainly of transported material, has unique mineralogical weathering and dispersion patterns that are discussed separately.

Grain-size is a function of both mechanical and chemical weathering and justifies some discussion in this chapter.

5.1 RESIDUAL MATERIAL

The residual material is subdivided into bedrock material and unconsolidated material on the basis of differences in the density and compaction of the material.

5.1.1 Bedrock material

A study of thin sections of each of the four zones (R1, R2, R3 and R4, Chapter 3.3.3) which consist of bedrock material revealed the following:

R4 zone (inner zone consisting of fresh to slightly altered grey granite):-

The feldspars range from fresh to slightly altered with dissolution and etching along twin planes and grain boundaries. Oligoclase is more susceptible to weathering than the potash feldspar. The biotite is in places slightly chloritised and the quartz is unaltered.

R3 zone (Red oxidation zone of altered granite):-

The potash feldspar displays a reddish colour and is partly illitised¹.

The plagioclase is almost completely sericitised (De Lapparent, 1909; Millot, 1970) with the subsequent formation of secondary quartz and biotite. Primary biotite is intensively chloritised and hematitised (goethitised) but the quartz is unaltered.

R2 zone (Whitish-grey leached zone of altered granite):-

The plagioclase is almost completely kaolinised (probably metahalloysite) with relicts of sericite in it. The potash feldspar is more sericitised than kaolinised but exsolutions of hematite are absent. The biotite has a light colour and is chloritised with the formation of secondary magnetite and/or ilmenite. Quartz still remains unaltered. This zone is therefore reducing.

R1 zone (Brown zone of completely altered granite):-

The complete decomposition of plagioclase and to a lesser extent K-feldspar and biotite results in the disaggregation of the granite. Illite, kaolinite (probably also metahalloysite) and mixed layered clay minerals are slightly hematitised and/or goethitised and the dissolution of biotite has led to the formation of hematite. Pseudomorphs of orthoclase are still vaguely recognisable but the quartz remains unaltered.

5.1.2 Unconsolidated residual material

Lying directly on the bedrock material is a profile of unconsolidated residual material.

The mineralogical dispersion patterns in the unconsolidated material are complex. This has resulted from the interaction of a number of weathering agents.

The typical soil profile of this material consists of a C horizon and a B horizon with the A horizon conspicuously absent.

¹X-ray diffraction peaks were too small to distinguish between poorly crystallised sericite and illite.

C horizon:- The almost complete weathering of plagioclase and to a lesser extent orthoclase and biotite, result in the complete disintegration of the granite. Individual quartz grains still preserve the original granitic texture. The plagioclase is sericitised (illitised), kaolinised (metahalloysite) and hematitised. Most of the potash feldspar is only partly sericitised, illitised and hematitised and even less kaolinised. The leaching of biotite probably resulted in the formation of chlorite. Magnetite, ilmenite, hematite, goethite and zircon are the most common heavy minerals. Cassiterite and topaz are only present in material overlying the more differentiated granites. A mottled and pallid zone is expected in the upper parts of the C horizon on the footslopes. In the latter situation mineralogical dispersion patterns similar to those described for the B₂ and B₃ horizons are applicable.

B₃ horizon:- This horizon is marked by quartz grains which preserve the granitic texture and are embedded in a white clay matrix of predominantly kaolinite with less commonly illite, vermiculite and other mixed-layer clay minerals. The plagioclase is completely altered but less altered biotite and kaolinised K-feldspar grains are still present. The quartz grains are frequently coated with iron oxide. Magnetite, ilmenite and zircon are the most abundant heavy minerals with cassiterite and topaz also present above differentiated granite.

B₂(R) horizon:- The granitic texture is preserved in this horizon and the quartz which is coated with iron oxides is unaltered and present as the dominant mineral. Iron oxides and clay minerals are particularly abundant in this horizon. The unmixing of the clay minerals and the iron oxides sometimes result in a mottled texture. Feldspar and biotite grains are absent and the most common heavy minerals are hematite, goethite, magnetite, ilmenite and zircon. Cassiterite and topaz are only present in mineralised areas.

Microscopic examination of the minerals in the Makhutso Granite, the Vlaklaagte granite and its differentiates, indicates that the stability increases in the sequence plagioclase > biotite > potash feldspar > ilmenite, magnetite, cassiterite, zircon, topaz and quartz. A diagram illustrating the possible

pathways of mineral transformation during the weathering sequence established from observations made in thin sections and on mineral grains, is presented in Fig. 5-1.

In the soils studied, sodium plagioclase weathers to sericite and ultimately to kaolinite and iron oxides. De Lapparent (1909) and Millot (1970) also report the formation of potassic and not sodic sericite from sodium rich plagioclase as an intermediate product. Sericite can thus be expected as an intermediate product in the weathering of sodium plagioclase and not saussurite. This may be due to the fact that both Na and Ca are highly mobile and are leached rather than involved in neomineralisation.

According to Sand (1956) and Bates (1952) sodium-rich plagioclase usually alters to halloysite during hydrolysis. Bates (1952) points out that halloysite forms only under water but if it is exposed to a dry atmosphere it dehydrates to metahalloysite which is difficult to distinguish from kaolinite. These soils which form during a wetter period followed by a dry period, could contain kaolinite with minor amounts of metahalloysite.

Biotite is altered to chlorite, chlorite-vermiculite and ultimately to vermiculite and iron oxides (Stephen, 1952). Walker (1949) points out that mica-vermiculite interlayered minerals form initially, but with advanced weathering alter to vermiculite.

Observations on Vlakraagte indicate that the K-feldspar alters to illite and eventually to kaolinite, thereby suggesting a variation in the rates of hydrolysis and removal. Loughnan (1969) points out that in the alteration (hydrolysis) of potash feldspar, illite is formed if the rate of hydrolysis exceeds the rate of removal, but if the converse is true, kaolinite is expected. Therefore, if potash is retained during hydrolysis, illite and not kaolinite forms as an intermediate residual product.

It is thus evident that in the study area quartz, the kaolinite group clay minerals, vermiculite, iron oxides (goethite and hematite), ilmenite, magnetite, cassiterite, zircon and topaz are the most stable end products in the secondary environment. X-Ray diffraction examination of the fine fraction of typical profiles for the ridge and upper slopes has indeed pointed to

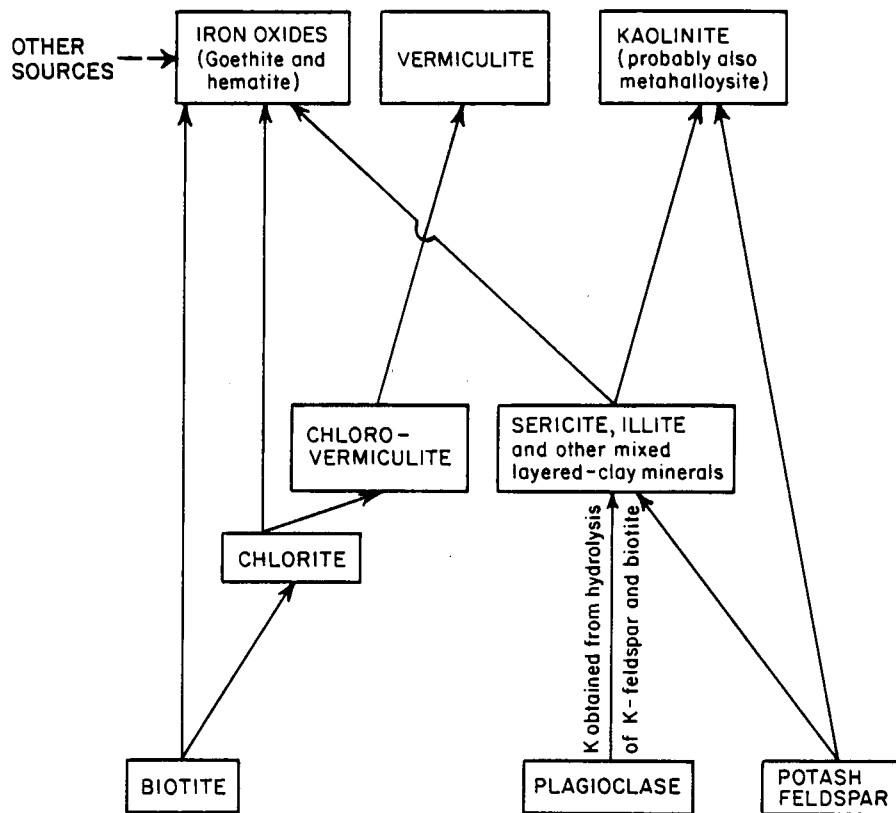


Figure 5-1: Chemical weathering of the rock-forming silicates.

the presence of quartz, kaolinite, illite, goethite, hematite, chlorite and clay mixtures with a basal spacing between 10 and 14 Å. The latter are expected to include vermiculite.

The relative concentration of the kaolinite group, illite, chlorite and the iron oxides (goethite plus hematite) in the residual soil profiles, is depicted in Fig. 5-2. From this diagram it is evident that the kaolinite group clay minerals which are the most abundant clay minerals in the B horizon, are enriched in the B₃ horizon. Conversely illite is the dominant clay mineral in the R horizon and its concentration decreases upwards.

Chlorite is almost exclusively present in the R and C horizons and may represent an intermediate stage in the weathering of biotite. The unidentified clay mixtures with basal spacings between 10 and 14 Å, which include vermiculite, are enriched in the B₂(R) horizon which represents a highly leached end product. Goethite and hematite are enriched in the B₂(R) horizon. This is due to the oxidation of the Fe²⁺ to the Fe³⁺ state.

A good correspondence is observed between the distribution of iron minerals and kaolinite in the B₃ and B₂(R) horizons and those found by Bayliss (1972) in the lower and higher C horizons of a typical lateritic soil. This indicates that the B₃ and B₂(R) horizons had to form under water-saturated conditions. These mottled and pallid zones are expected to be present in the upper part of the C horizon on the foot slopes (Fig. 3-12).

Electron-microscopic examination of the mineral fraction with an S.G. greater than 2,692 confirmed the presence of magnetite, ilmenite, zircon, goethite and hematite. Cassiterite and topaz are only present in soils directly above mineralised granitic rocks. The concentration of heavy minerals increase from the C horizon to the B₂(R) horizon. This is due to the eluvial concentration of the more resistant minerals.

Chemical and physical degradation of the heavy minerals cause their grain size to decrease in the upper horizons. Magnetite, ilmenite and zircon are present throughout the profile in small quantities. Goethite and hematite are enriched in the upper horizons (particularly the B₂(R) horizon). If the parent rock

RELATIVE PERCENTAGE OF WHOLE SAMPLE
(SILT AND CLAY FRACTION)

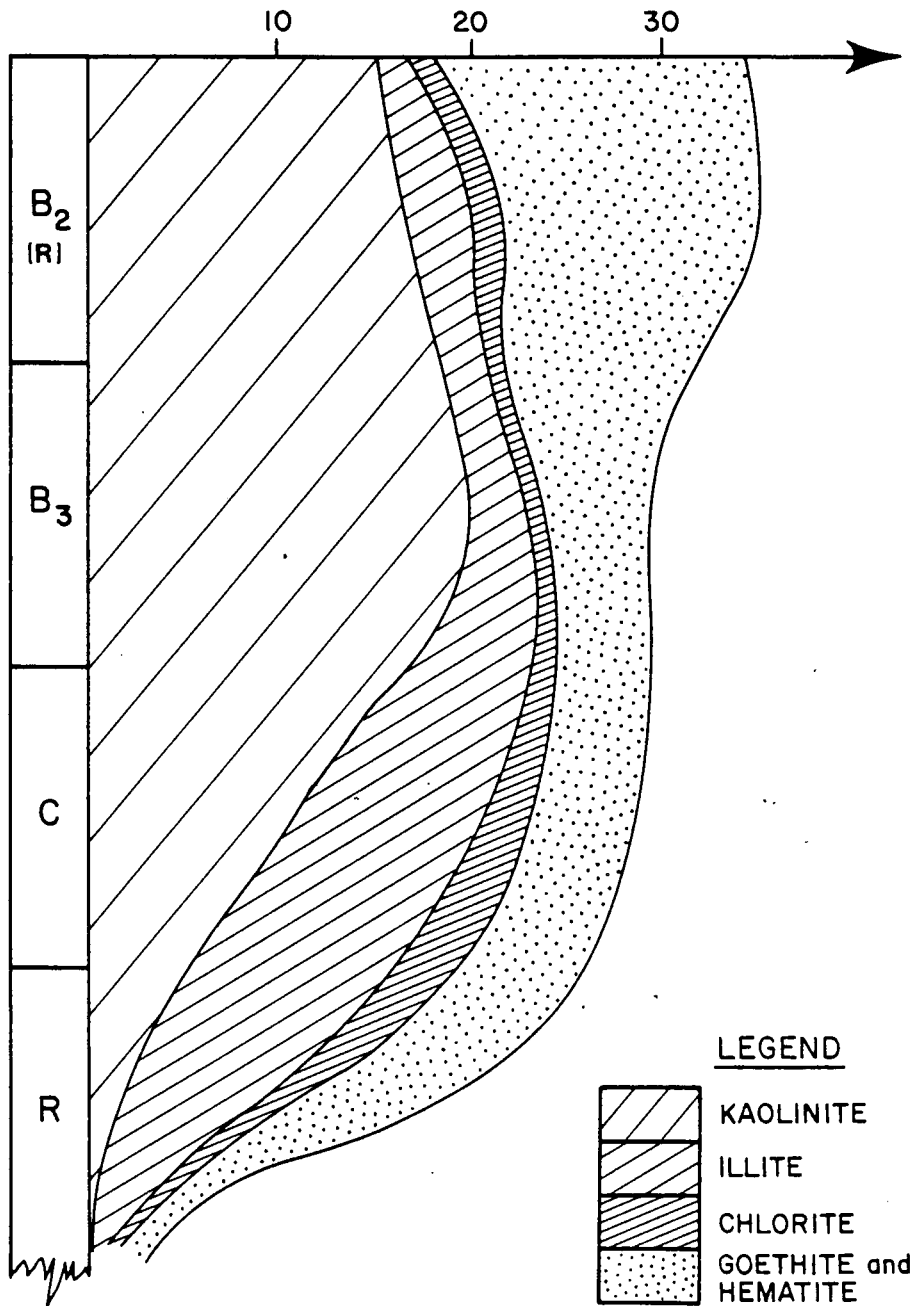


Figure 5-2: Diagram showing variations in the concentrations of clays and Fe-oxides in the silt-clay fraction in the residual soils.

is particularly rich in iron, the C horizon is also extremely rich in hematite. When present cassiterite and topaz are found throughout the whole profile.

5.2 TRANSPORTED SOILS

The extremely complex mineral distribution and weathering patterns in this environment result from the complex interplay of chemical and physical weathering processes. The complexity of these soils does not allow the construction of a single model that fits all the possible mineralogical dispersion patterns. Each layer of transported soil could have had a different source and therefore a different mineral assemblage.

5.2.1 Colluvium (Latosols)

The sedimentary characteristics of the colluvial deposits in the area are almost completely destroyed by the homogenising pedogenetic soil formation processes. The origin of the soil is therefore best reflected by the distribution of the heavy minerals in each layer. Since it is impossible to identify sedimentological units in the colluvium, it is treated as a single profile with diagnostic horizons (A and B) based on mineralogical differences. These horizons formed due to eluviation and illuviation of clay minerals and iron oxides.

Most of the clay minerals are reworked, i.e. leached in the A horizon and redeposited in the B or even lower horizons. The reworking process is both physical and chemical (Millot, 1970); some of the colloidal clay particles are physically washed down from the upper eluviated to the lower illuviated zones. The minerals present in the silt-clay fraction are quartz, kaolinite group minerals, goethite, minor illite, hematite, vermiculite and unidentified mixed-layer clay minerals. Kaolinite predominates and is enriched in the B horizon (particularly the B₂ horizon).

5.2.2 Alluvium (Viel profiles)

The various layers of stratified alluvium show no evidence of homogenisation. Each layer reflects the energy conditions prevailing during its deposition. The quartzitic sands consist mainly

of rounded and subangular quartz with minor resistant minerals such as ilmenite, magnetite, zircon and cassiterite. Kaolinite is the dominant mineral in the organic rich clay bands with less quartz and traces of ilmenite, magnetite, zircon and cassiterite.

5.3 PEBBLE LAYER

The pebble layer is a complex mixture of relict and redeposited transported material. Both relict and redeposited components can be distinguished in the relatively thin pebble layer on the crest and upper slopes, but the latter component is predominant in the thicker layer on the middle and lower slopes.

The layer on the crest and upper slopes consists of large quartz pebbles, rock debris and weathering resistant heavy minerals such as ilmenite, magnetite, hematite, goethite, zircon, cassiterite and topaz, which remained behind during the wash-out processes and are moved over short distances. These pebbles and mineral grains are angular to subangular with almost no sign of transportation.

The layer on the middle and lower slopes consists of a mixture of smaller redeposited, rounded and subangular quartz pebbles and grains, goethite pellets, clays and weathering resistant heavy minerals. All these materials originated some distance away and were redeposited with decreasing energy conditions.

In the pebble layer on the crest and upper slopes the redeposited material mainly fills the gaps between the coarser relict material. This is a result of the redeposition of material during the decrease in the energy conditions that followed a period of high energy.

On the middle and lower slopes, where the pebble layer mainly consists of transported material, grading of the material has taken place in some of the profiles (Appendix A, profiles 16 and 17). This grading is due to a decrease in the energy conditions which prevailed during the formation of the pebble layer.

5.4 GRAIN-SIZE DISTRIBUTION IN THE LATOSOL PROFILE

Grain-size distribution proved to be a means of distinguishing between transported and residual soils. It is also useful in determining the source, sand grade and texture of the soil (MacVicar *et al.*, 1977). The size fractions used in this study are the >2 mm fraction (gravel), the .425 - 2 mm fraction (coarse sand), the .180 - .425 mm fraction (medium sand), the .075 - .180 mm fraction (fine sand) and the $<.075$ mm fraction (silt plus clay).

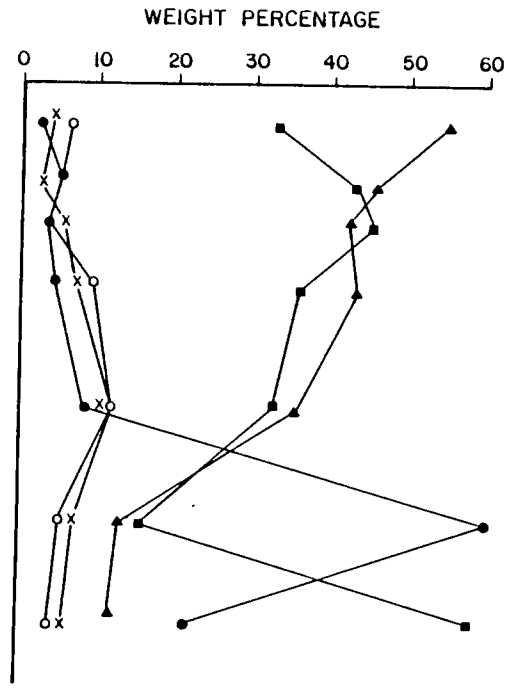
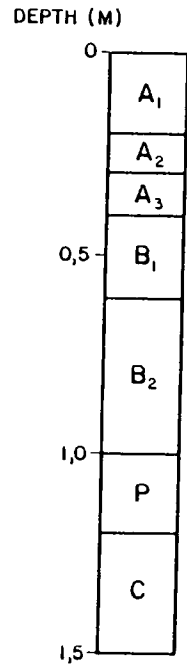
The grain-size distribution in typical soil profiles from the area is illustrated in Fig. 5-3a and b. These figures illustrate the grain-size distribution in typical soils above the Vlakraagte granite and Makhutso Granite respectively.

It is evident from the diagrams that the gravel-sized fraction in the residual soils overlying the Makhutso Granite exceeds the coarse sand fraction whilst the reverse is true for residual soils overlying the Vlakraagte granite. In transported soils the weight percentage of the gravel fraction always drops to below that of the coarse and medium sand fractions depending on the source of the material and the distance of transportation. The dominant fraction in the residual soils usually yields a finer fraction when transported and becomes finer as the distance increases. As a result of this the coarse and medium sand fractions tend to be dominant in the transported soils originating from the Makhutso Granite and Vlakraagte granite respectively.

The pebble layer is marked by a dominant gravel fraction and depleted coarse and medium sand fractions (Fig. 5-3a and b). The weight percentages of the fine sand and silt-clay fractions are very low in both transported and residual soils with a slight increase in the B horizons (mainly due to the accumulation of clay minerals in these horizons).

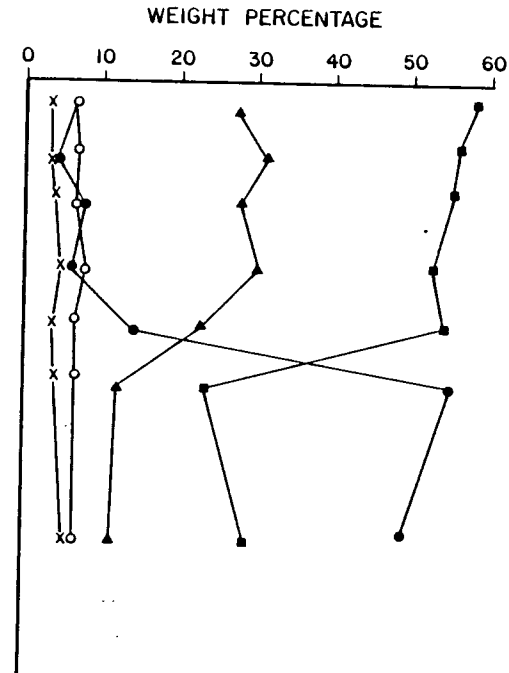
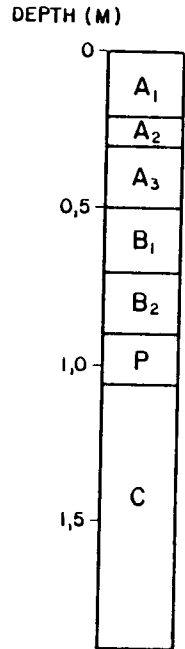
It is possible to distinguish between the residual soil, pebble layer and transported soils by plotting the average weight percentages for the gravel, coarse sand and medium sand fractions on a triangular diagram (Fig. 5-4). The soils derived from the Vlakraagte granite (finer-grained) and the Makhutso Granite (coarser-grained) can also be distinguished on this diagram.

PROFILE II



A
VLAKLAAGTE GRANITE

PROFILE 23

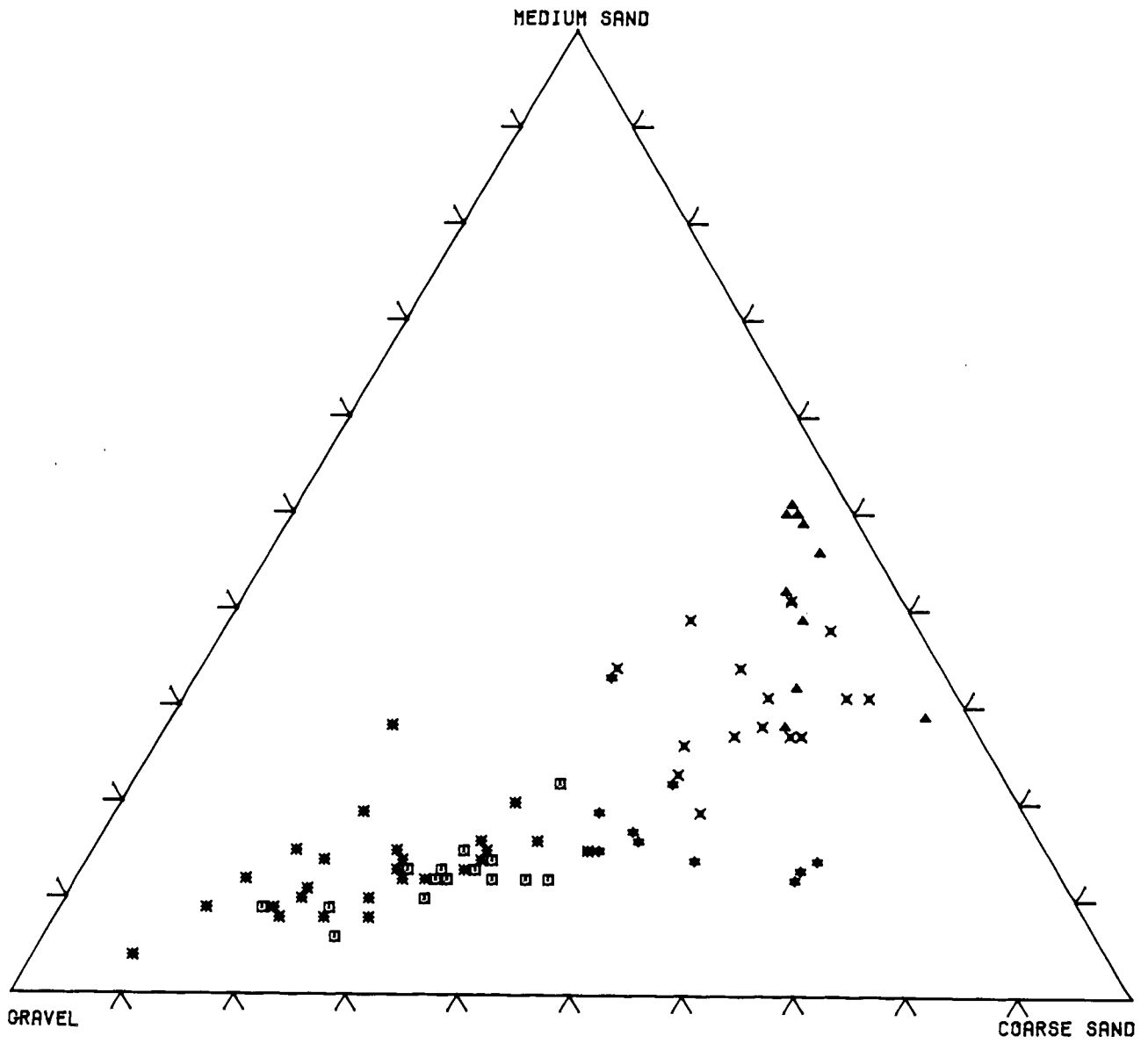


B
MAKHUTSO GRANITE

LEGEND

- GRAVEL
- COARSE SAND
- ▲ MEDIUM SAND
- FINE SAND
- x SILT and CLAY

Figure 5-3: Grain-size distribution in A) a soil profile in the Vlaklaagte granite and B) a soil profile in the Makhutso Granite.



LEGEND

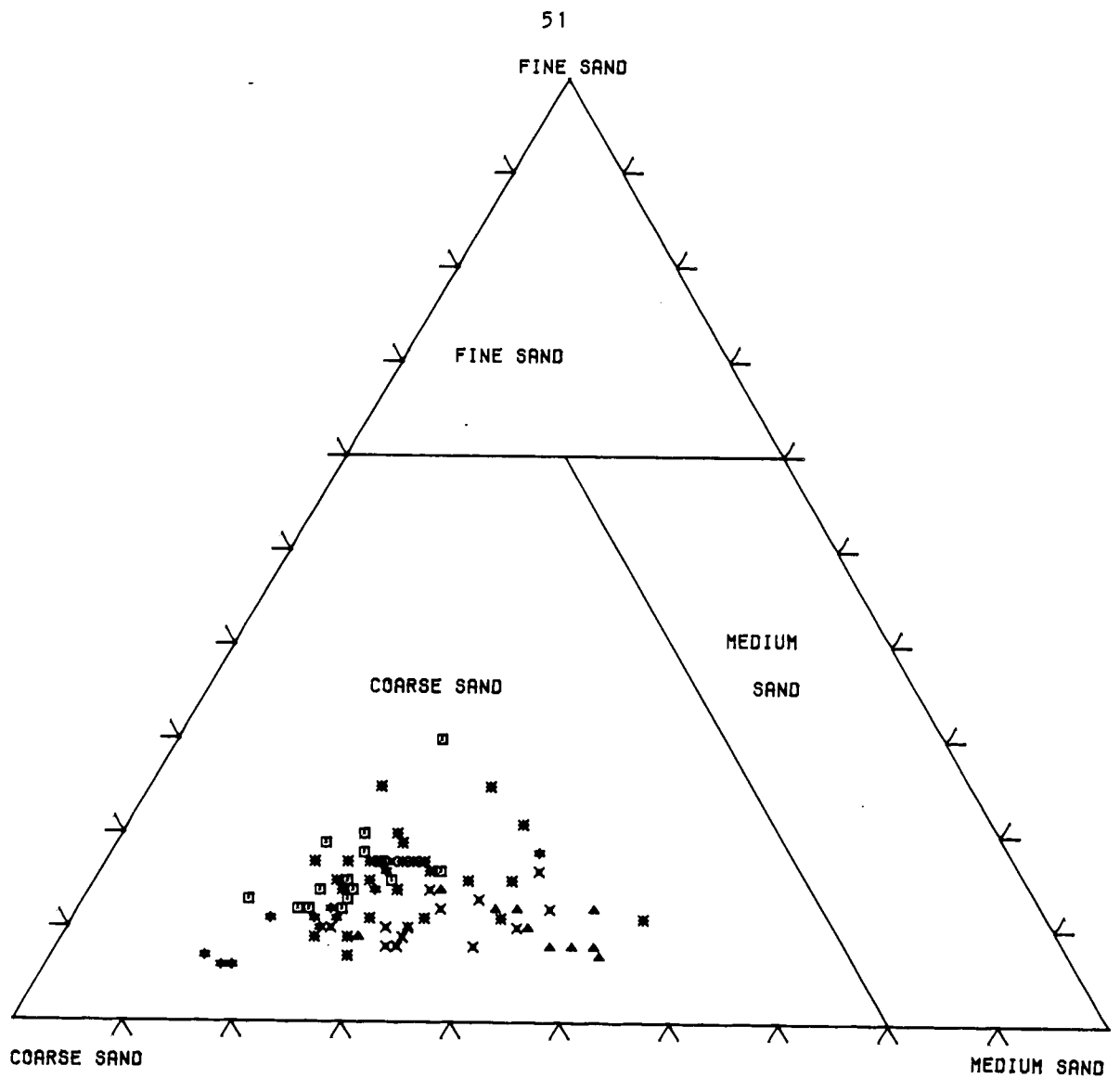
- Residual soil (Makhutso Granite) - □
- Residual soil (Viaklaagte granite) - *
- Pebble layer - *
- Transported soil (Viaklaagte granite) - ▲
- Transported soil (Makhutso Granite) - x

Figure 5-4: Diagram showing the predominant grain-size distribution patterns in different soil-types overlying the granites.

The above diagram can thus be used to determine whether a residual soil overlies the Makhutso or Vlaklaagte granite. For the determination of the possible source of transported soils this diagram is unreliable due to factors such as grading and the distance of transportation. It furthermore makes it possible to distinguish between residual and transported soils, even when the pebble layer is absent. The grain-size distribution will, however, be different for different source rock-types.

A sand grade chart (Fig. 5-5) indicates the sand grade of the soils to be coarse whilst the texture is loamy sand to sand (Fig. 5-6).

The mineral distribution in the soil fractions ranges from almost only quartz in the gravel and coarse sand fractions to dominantly clay minerals (mainly kaolinite) in the silt-clay fraction. The type of clay mineral depends on the horizon in which it occurs. Flake-shaped secondary minerals such as sericite and illite are concentrated in the sand fractions and in particular in the medium and fine fractions.

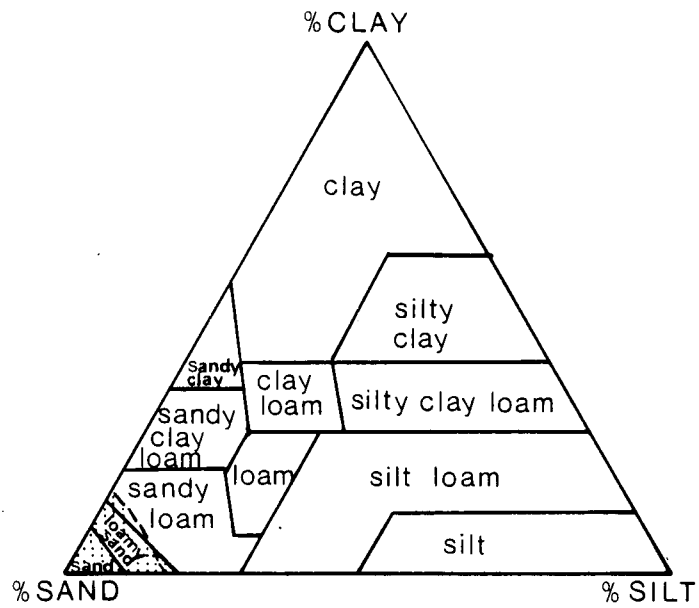


LEGEND

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| Residual soil (Makhutso Granite) | - □ |
| Residual soil (Vlaklaagte granite) | - * |
| Pebble layer | - * |
| Transported soil (Vlaklaagte granite) | - ▲ |
| Transported soil (Makhutso Granite) | - x |

Figure 5-5: Sand grade chart (after MacVicar et al., 1977). Values are expressed as percentages of the total sand fraction.

sand : .075 - 2 mm
 silt + clay : <.075 mm




 Field occupied by sand/silt + clay ratio.

Figure 5-6: Texture chart (after MacVicar *et al.*, 1977). The weight percentages of the sand fraction are plotted against the total weight percentages of the silt plus clay fraction.

6. GEOCHEMISTRY OF THE ROCK-TYPES

The major and trace element data of the 28 rock samples which were analysed, are presented in Appendix B. Four composite quartz-pegmatite samples and one sample of chloritised Makhutso Granite were also analysed for trace elements.

The major and trace element compositions of the principal rock types distinguished in the study area are shown in Table 6-1.

6.1 MAJOR ELEMENTS

Figs. 6-1a and b show the major element data normalised against the Makhutso Granite. Since the Vlaklaagte granite and the granite aplite may be late-stage differentiates of the Makhutso Granite, Fig. 6-1a is used to estimate relative enrichments and depletions in this pre-pegmatitic phases.

In Fig. 6-1b the altered Makhutso Granite and its greisen which formed as a result of metasomatic alteration in the exogenetic zone, are compared with the Makhutso Granite. The alteration products of the Vlaklaagte granite are also compared with the Makhutso Granite in this figure. In Fig. 6-1c the red Vlaklaagte granite and its greisen, which are products of metasomatic alteration in the endogenetic zone, are compared with the Vlaklaagte granite.

SiO₂

The concentration of SiO₂ remains relatively constant in the sequence Makhutso Granite, Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite. In the alteration products of both granites no appreciable change was observed either, but SiO₂ is depleted in the greisens, especially those associated with the Vlaklaagte granite.

It is possible that the removal of SiO₂ during the greisenisation process contributed to the formation of the quartz pegmatite veins (associated with the greisens) as the last crystallising stage.

TABLE 6-1: MEANS AND STANDARD DEVIATIONS OF THE MAJOR AND TRACE ELEMENT CONCENTRATIONS.

| ROCK TYPE ELEMENT | A | | B | | C | | D | | E | | F | | G | | H | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|------|-----------|-------|-----------|---|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|---------|
| | \bar{x} | S | \bar{x} | S | \bar{x} | S | \bar{x} | S | \bar{x} | S | \bar{x} | S | \bar{x} | S | \bar{x} | S |
| SiO ₂ | 76.62 | 2.35 | 76.14 | 0.99 | 77.49 | 0.20 | 72.60 | - | 73.89 | 0.69 | 74.50 | 0.71 | 75.48 | 1.54 | 62.76 | 7.57 |
| TiO ₂ | 0.23 | 0.01 | 0.17 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.00 | 0.20 | - | 0.21 | 0.01 | 0.21 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.05 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 10.97 | 0.04 | 11.77 | 0.50 | 11.09 | 0.41 | 12.23 | - | 12.35 | 0.24 | 11.94 | 0.35 | 11.83 | 0.66 | 20.87 | 5.17 |
| Fe ₂ O ₃ | 2.26 | 0.02 | 0.43 | 0.07 | 0.68 | 0.33 | 1.53 | - | 0.62 | 0.29 | 0.40 | 0.05 | 1.74 | 1.00 | 2.43 | 0.61 |
| FeO | 1.28 | 0.10 | 0.65 | 0.05 | 1.22 | 0.06 | 5.48 | - | 1.93 | 0.31 | 2.18 | 0.09 | 0.80 | 0.53 | 2.14 | 0.33 |
| MnO | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.02 | - | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| MgO | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.12 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.15 | - | 0.16 | 0.05 | 0.13 | 0.03 | 0.11 | 0.06 | 0.24 | 0.12 |
| CaO | 0.59 | 0.69 | 0.94 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.09 | 0.06 | - | 0.90 | 0.15 | 0.83 | 0.03 | 0.28 | 0.30 | 0.02 | 0.00 |
| Na ₂ O | 3.47 | 0.07 | 3.64 | 0.31 | 2.74 | 0.02 | 0.01 | - | 3.36 | 0.25 | 3.20 | 0.06 | 1.32 | 1.28 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| K ₂ O | 4.01 | 2.06 | 5.26 | 0.16 | 5.17 | 0.19 | 5.43 | - | 5.40 | 0.17 | 5.42 | 0.22 | 6.77 | 0.97 | 7.90 | 1.11 |
| P ₂ O ₅ | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.01 | - | 0.06 | 0.09 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.22 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| Cr ₂ O ₃ | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | - | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 |
| H ₂ O ⁺ | 0.40 | 0.04 | 0.37 | 0.02 | 0.65 | 0.05 | 1.85 | - | 0.74 | 0.10 | 0.76 | 0.08 | 0.97 | 0.26 | 2.82 | 0.55 |
| H ₂ O ⁻ | 0.13 | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.03 | 0.13 | 0.01 | 0.06 | - | 0.10 | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.15 | 0.07 | 0.06 | 0.02 |
| Li | 8.5 | 9.2 | 8.3 | 1.5 | 8.5 | 0.7 | 36 | - | 29.6 | 5.3 | 22.0 | 1.4 | 12.6 | 5.9 | 32.75 | 9.21 |
| Be | 2.0 | 0.0 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 7.5 | 0.7 | 10 | - | 6.5 | 1.5 | 8.0 | 0.0 | 5.8 | 2.3 | 153.5 | 151.73 |
| B | NO | NO | 16.3 | 7.6 | 16.5 | 19.0 | 20 | - | 48.0 | 18.1 | 3.0 | 0.0 | 73.0 | 30.1 | 45.25 | 40.95 |
| F | 940.0 | 155.5 | 320.0 | 85.4 | 1265.0 | 374.4 | 1090 | - | 1310.0 | 255.4 | 1440.0 | 127.2 | 1068.3 | 634.5 | 3912.50 | 1445.32 |
| V | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 6.6 | 0.6 | 10 | - | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5.4 | 0.8 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 22.25 | 2.22 |
| CD | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 7 | - | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 11.25 | 3.77 |
| Ni | 11.0 | 8.5 | 7.0 | 3.5 | 7.5 | 3.5 | 28 | - | 10.1 | 4.4 | 12.0 | 7.1 | 9.2 | 3.2 | 26.00 | 7.40 |
| Cu | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 251.5 | 16.3 | 90 | - | 23.9 | 35.9 | 23.0 | 25.5 | 162.7 | 151.3 | 12.75 | 15.50 |
| Zn | 71.5 | 64.3 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 164.0 | 49.5 | 188 | - | 6.3 | 2.2 | 5.5 | 0.7 | 53.7 | 78.9 | 9.25 | 5.31 |
| Rb | 240.0 | 15.6 | 265.7 | 5.5 | 344.5 | 26.2 | 1179 | - | 451.0 | 22.3 | 466.5 | 33.2 | 609.2 | 130.2 | 1490.75 | 566.02 |
| Sr | 59.5 | 2.1 | 72.3 | 1.2 | 40.5 | 3.5 | 31 | - | 92.1 | 4.1 | 58.0 | 4.2 | 40.8 | 28.9 | 21.75 | 4.99 |
| Y | 114.5 | 12.0 | 119.6 | 10.8 | 79.0 | 5.7 | 59 | - | 91.0 | 27.6 | 117.0 | 4.2 | 101.3 | 24.9 | 89.00 | 26.80 |
| Zr | 509.0 | 24.0 | 231.0 | 8.7 | 160.0 | 0.0 | 240 | - | 255.9 | 7.0 | 327.5 | 7.8 | 210.0 | 45.7 | 166.50 | 35.69 |
| Nb | 17.5 | 0.7 | 21.7 | 0.6 | 21.0 | 0.0 | 21 | - | 22.6 | 1.3 | 29.0 | 1.4 | 26.2 | 5.1 | 15.25 | 12.18 |
| Mo | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5 | - | 33.3 | 48.5 | 56.5 | 16.3 | 22.7 | 41.3 | 5.00 | 0.00 |
| Ba | 1120.0 | 63.6 | 587.0 | 22.9 | 394.5 | 88.4 | 347 | - | 503.7 | 11.2 | 342.0 | 84.9 | 432.0 | 89.9 | 282.00 | 52.90 |
| Sn | 8.5 | 4.9 | 18.7 | 11.8 | 24.0 | 7.1 | 260 | - | 25.7 | 8.9 | 42.5 | 6.4 | 52.3 | 39.4 | 1006.00 | 872.19 |
| W | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 18.5 | 13.4 | 19 | - | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 14.8 | 11.2 | 5.00 | 0.00 |
| Pb | 25.0 | 5.7 | 27.7 | 4.0 | 54.0 | 0.0 | 37 | - | 27.1 | 2.5 | 30.5 | 0.7 | 56.8 | 27.5 | 30.75 | 11.61 |
| Th | 28.5 | 2.1 | 37.7 | 6.0 | 45.5 | 2.1 | 45 | - | 29.1 | 3.2 | 76.0 | 2.8 | 39.7 | 8.7 | 45.00 | 10.30 |
| U | 8.5 | 2.1 | 9.3 | 3.2 | 13.5 | 0.7 | 16 | - | 12.3 | 3.7 | 18.0 | 4.2 | 19.2 | 8.2 | 10.00 | 4.69 |

LEGEND

- A - Stavoren Granophyre
- B - Grey Makhutso Granite
- C - Red Makhutso Granite
- D - Greisen from Makhutso Granite
- E - Grey Vlaklaagte granite
- F - Granite aplite
- G - Red Vlaklaagte granite
- H - Greisen from Vlaklaagte granite
- I - Quartz-pegmatite veins associated with greisens
- J - Quartz-pegmatite veins from sulphide rich zone
- K - Epithermal altered Makhutso Granite in sulphide rich zone.

| I | | J | | K | |
|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|-----------|---|
| \bar{x} | S | \bar{x} | S | \bar{x} | S |
| 10.7 | 7.78 | 39.0 | 19.90 | 5 | - |
| 5.0 | 0.0 | 49.0 | 33.94 | 28.0 | - |
| 5.0 | 0.0 | 53.0 | 25.46 | 28.0 | - |
| 6.5 | 2.12 | 1270.0 | 410.12 | 147.0 | - |
| 5.0 | 0.0 | 150.0 | 141.42 | 1592.0 | - |
| 176.5 | 10.6 | 201.0 | 77.78 | 226.0 | - |
| 24.5 | 2.12 | 8.0 | 4.24 | 5.0 | - |
| 27.5 | 3.53 | 15.0 | 14.14 | 34.0 | - |
| 38.0 | 4.24 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 135.0 | - |
| 7.0 | 2.82 | 5.5 | 0.5 | 19.0 | - |
| 35.0 | 10.00 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 5 | - |
| 141.5 | 14.84 | 652.5 | 569.22 | 33.0 | - |
| 375.5 | 118.08 | 37.5 | 21.92 | 20.0 | - |
| 5.0 | 0.0 | 75.0 | 7.07 | 21.0 | - |
| 31.0 | 0.0 | 150.0 | 141.42 | 155.0 | - |
| 9.0 | 2.82 | 619.5 | 2.12 | 43.0 | - |
| 7.0 | 2.82 | 10.5 | 7.78 | 18.0 | - |

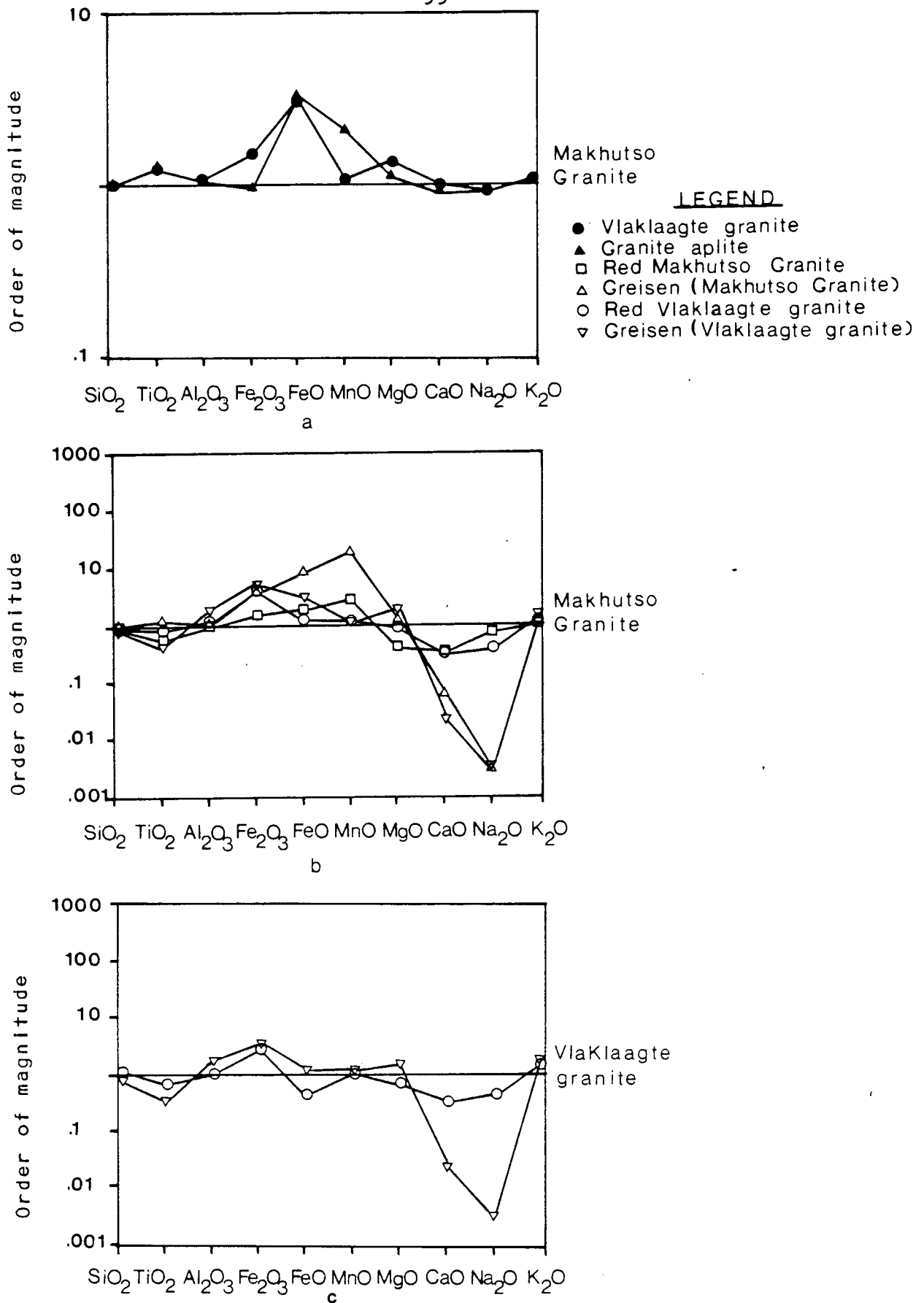


Figure 6-1: Major element compositions of the Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite normalised against the Makhutso Granite (a), greisen and red granite normalised against the Makhutso Granite (b) and greisen and red granite normalised against the Vlaklaagte granite (c).

TiO₂

An increase of TiO₂ in the Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite relative to the Makhutso Granite is observed. The gas-liquid phase that caused the greisenisation, however, reduced the TiO₂ in the immediate surrounding wall rocks. This is proved by the fact that the altered Makhutso and Vlaklaagte granite as well as the greisen from the Vlaklaagte granite are all depleted in TiO₂ compared to their respective wall rocks.

Al₂O₃

The concentration of Al₂O₃ remains the same in the Makhutso and Vlaklaagte granite and the granite aplite. In the metasomatic products Al₂O₃ is only enriched in the endo-greisens. Phyllosilicates along with topaz are the most important aluminium bearing minerals in the greisens.

Fe₂O₃ and FeO

Progressive Fe-enrichment was observed in the sequence Makhutso Granite, Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite. The Fe₂O₃ to FeO ratio is higher in the Vlaklaagte granite than in the granite aplite. This probably reflects the drier magma from which the aplite crystallised. The greisens also reflect strong iron enrichment. In Fig. 6-1b it will be noted that the ratio of Fe₂O₃ to FeO is higher in the endo- than in the exo-intrusional zone. The higher ratio is also observed when comparing the alteration products of the endo-genetic zone with the Vlaklaagte granite (Fig. 6-1c). This suggests that a greater degree of oxidation prevailed in the endo- than in the exo-genetic zone.

MnO

In the pre-pegmatitic phases, MnO is enriched in the granite aplite only. This enrichment is probably a result of the disequilibrium caused by the separation of the gas-liquid phase from the solid phase. The excess Mn²⁺ (0.91A) that remains in the solid phase after the gas-liquid phase was separated, probably replaced either the Ca²⁺ (1.06A) or the Mg²⁺ (0.78A) in the silicates as described by Goldschmidt (1954).

In the altered zones MnO is enriched only in the exo-intrusional zone (red Makhutso granite and the associated greisen). The Mn²⁺ in the gas-liquid phase thus only took part in the late

stages of metasomatism in the exogenetic zone.

MgO

The MgO content first increases from the Makhutso to the Vlaklaagte granite and then decreases in the granite aplite. In the zones of metasomatic alteration the greisens are slightly enriched in MgO and the red altered granitic zones depleted in MgO. The depletion of MgO in the red altered granitic zones can be attributed to its leaching from biotites in this zone.

CaO and Na₂O

The Na₂O and CaO decrease in concentration in the sequence Makhutso Granite, Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite. During the greisenisation process the CaO and Na₂O are removed from the metasomatic products with a maximum depletion in the greisens.

K₂O

A slight increase in the K₂O content is detected in the sequence Makhutso Granite, Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite. Both the greisens and red altered granites are slightly enriched in K₂O compared to the wall rocks.

6.1.1 Discussion

To accommodate the differences in the elemental behaviour in the pre-pegmatitic (fractional crystallisation) and the pegmatitic stages (metasomatism), the behaviour of the elements are discussed separately for each.

According to Thornton and Tuttle (1960), Wedepohl (1978) and Rankama and Sahama (1950), SiO₂, MnO and K₂O increase as the differentiation index (pre-pegmatitic) increases. Although MnO and K₂O follow this pattern, SiO₂ remains the same in the sequence under consideration. It is possible that some silica may be incorporated into the gas-liquid phase during crystallisation and that it ultimately caused the quartz-pegmatite veins to form.

Thornton and Tuttle, (1960), showed that CaO, MgO and total Fe decrease during differentiation with Na₂O only decreasing when the pegmatitic stage is approached. In the sequence studied,

Na₂O and CaO decrease but MgO and total Fe do not. MgO, however, increases from the Makhutso to the Vlaklaagte granite and then decreases marginally to the granite aplite. The fact that biotite is relatively abundant in the Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite, reflects the enrichment of MgO and total Fe.

TiO₂ usually concentrates in early crystallates but in this case behaves similar to Fe. This is probably also the result of the formation of biotite when the pegmatitic stage is approached.

In the pegmatitic stage metasomatic alteration of the granites (with which the gas-liquid phase came into contact) took place, causing the formation of the red granites and greisens.

The elements depleted from the metasomatic end products are SiO₂, TiO₂, CaO and Na₂O. Inversely Al₂O₃, total FeO, MgO and K₂O are concentrated in these rocks with MnO only enriched during the very late stages of metasomatism in the upper zones.

6.2 TRACE ELEMENTS

The trace element data for the different rock types are summarised in Table 6-1. Fig. 6-2a shows the mean values for the Vlaklaagte granite and the granite aplite normalised against those of the Makhutso Granite. Fig. 6-2b and c similarly show the mean values of the respective greisens and red granites normalised against the Makhutso and Vlaklaagte granites respectively.

Lithium is enriched in both the Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite relative to the Makhutso Granite. It is also enriched in the greisens from both the Makhutso Granite and Vlaklaagte granite. No change in the concentration of Li is observed in the red Makhutso Granite, but the red Vlaklaagte granite is marginally depleted relative to the wall rocks. The enrichment in the Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite is probably due to the substitution of Al by Li in biotite during crystallisation (Goldschmidt, 1954). Similar substitutions also account for the Li enrichment in the biotite-rich greisens where small amounts of lepidolite and/or zinnwaldite are found. The behaviour of Li is, however, erratic in the red granites and this is possibly due to chloritisation.

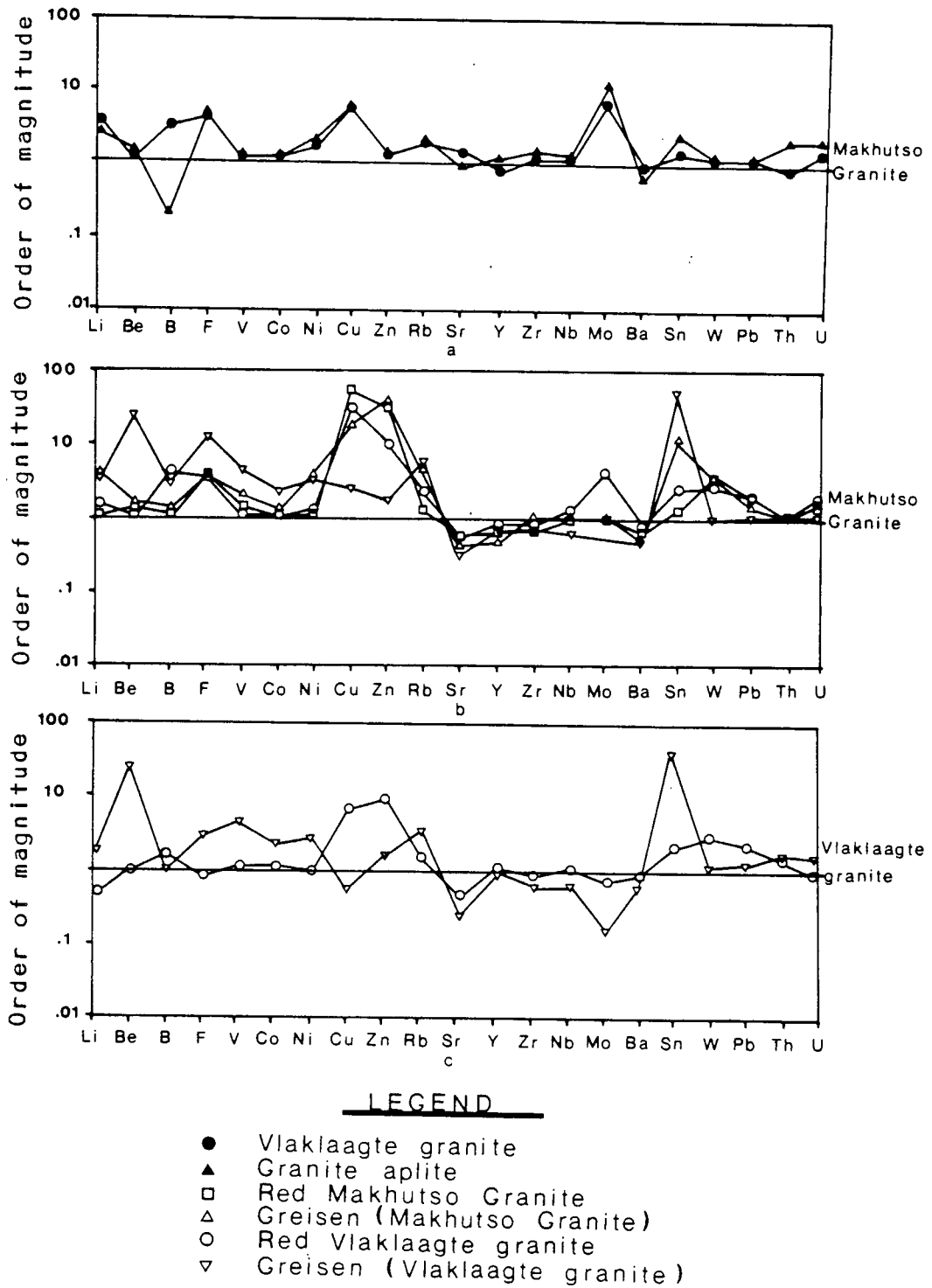


Figure 6-2: Trace element compositions of the Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite normalised against the Makhutso Granite (a), greisen and red granite normalised against the Makhutso Granite (b) and greisen and red granite normalised against the Vlaklaagte granite (c).

Beryllium is significantly enriched in the Vlaklaagte greisen (endo-greisen) whilst the red Makhutso Granite is only marginally enriched compared to the wall rocks. Beryllium replaces the Si^{4+} ion (0.39A) in the $[\text{SiO}_4]$ tetrahedra in late-stage crystallates and hence increases with fractionation (Wedepohl, 1978; Rankama and Sahama, 1950). The Be is furthermore concentrated in the phyllosilicates and topaz of the greisens and especially the endo-greisens during the metasomatic process.

Boron is strongly enriched in the Vlaklaagte granite but strongly depleted in the granite aplite. The red Makhutso and Vlaklaagte granite and the greisen of the Makhutso Granite are marginally enriched compared to the wall rocks. The small ionic radius of B^{3+} (0.20A) and the volatility of its compounds prevent it becoming trapped in the hydroxyl-bearing minerals (Rankama and Sahama, 1950) and probably accounts for its strong depletion in the aplite phase. Boron probably remained in the separated gas-liquid phase. It is, however, not significantly enriched in the pneumatolitic rocks either. This may be due to its high volatility, preventing it being trapped during the formation of alteration products.

Fluorine is enriched in the Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite. The red Makhutso Granite and both greisens are also enriched in F relative to the respective wall rocks. The distribution of F is attributed to the fact that fluorine enters into structural positions of OH^- in the late stage minerals during differentiation (Wedepohl, 1978). High concentrations of F added to the greisens during the process of metasomatism caused the formation of minerals such as topaz, fluorite and gilbertite.

Vanadium is only enriched in the greisens and red Makhutso Granite where V^{3+} (0.65A) follows Fe^{3+} (0.67A) very closely. This siderophile tendency of V^{3+} in an oxidising environment also accounts for its enrichment in the Fe-arsenides and sulphides in the upper quartz-pegmatitic zone.

Cobalt is strongly enriched in the greisens relative to the respective wall rocks with no appreciable change in the red granites. The enrichment of Co in the greisens and in the

upper Fe-arsenide and sulphide-rich quartz-pegmatite zone, reflects both the siderophile and chalcophile tendencies of Co during the pegmatitic stage.

Nickel is enriched in the Vlaklaagte granite and more so in the granite aplite. Both the red Makhutso and the red Vlaklaagte granite and their respective greisens are enriched in Ni compared to the wall rocks. The Ni^{2+} (0.78A) normally follows Mg^{2+} (0.78A) which enters biotite (Goldschmidt, 1954), thus the enrichment of Ni in all the biotite-rich rocks can be explained. The ultimate enrichment of Ni in the Fe-arsenides and sulphide-rich zones reflects its siderophile and chalcophile tendencies.

Copper is strongly enriched in both the Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite relative to the Makhutso Granite. The red Makhutso and red Vlaklaagte granite are more enriched in Cu than the respective greisens if compared with the wall rocks. The endo-greisens from the Vlaklaagte granite are even marginally depleted in Cu relative to the Vlaklaagte granite. In the absence of S the Cu^{2+} is expected to replace small amounts of Fe^{2+} and/or Mg^{2+} (Rankama and Sahama, 1950) in the biotite-rich rocks. The enrichment of Cu in the red granitic zones, between the greisens and wall rocks, probably formed by release of Cu from the original biotite in the granite, followed by its migration outward and entrapment as chalcopyrite in the red granitic zone. Chalcopyrite and pyrite are the main Cu-bearing minerals in this zone. The chalcophilic tendency of Cu caused Cu-sulphides to form in the late epithermal pegmatite stage where S was available (Table 6-1).

Zinc is only marginally enriched in the Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite. The red Vlaklaagte granite, is more enriched in Zn than the greisen of this granite. Both the red Makhutso Granite and its greisen are strongly enriched in Zn. The strong chalcophilic tendency of Zn also resulted in its enrichment in the sulphide rich zones.

Rubidium is enriched in both the Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite relative to the Makhutso Granite. The greisens are strongly enriched in Rb with the red granites less so. Rubidium substitutes for K in biotite and K-feldspar. It also substitutes

for K in sericite and biotite formed during alteration of the K-feldspars. It is also enriched in the quartz-pegmatite veins.

Strontium is marginally enriched in the Vlaklaagte granite and depleted in the granite aplite. The greisens show the greatest depletion, with the red granites less depleted in Sr relative to the respective wall rocks.

Yttrium is marginally depleted in the Vlaklaagte granite in the pre-pegmatitic sequence. In the red Vlaklaagte granite and the associated greisens no enrichment or depletion of Y is observed compared to the wall rocks. However, in the red Makhutso Granite and its associated greisens a slight depletion of Y relative to the wall rocks is evident. The fact that Y is not enriched in the late pre-pegmatitic crystallates is probably the result of its relatively large ionic size (0,98 Å), causing it to remain in the gas-liquid phase.

Zirconium is marginally enriched in the Vlaklaagte granite but more so in the granite aplite. In the red Vlaklaagte granite and its greisens Zr is slightly depleted compared to its wall rocks. Zirconium often is enriched in the last rocks to crystallise prior to the pegmatitic stage.

Niobium is enriched in the granite aplite but not in the Vlaklaagte granite. No significant change in the concentration of Nb is evident in the metasomatic products except the greisens associated with the Vlaklaagte granite which are slightly depleted.

Molybdenum is strongly enriched in both the Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite with a maximum in the latter. In the red Vlaklaagte granite and its associated greisen the Mo is depleted compared to the Vlaklaagte granite.

Barium is depleted in the Vlaklaagte granite and more so in the granite aplite. The red granites are less depleted in Ba than the associated greisens compared to the wall rocks.

Tin is enriched in both the Vlaklaagte granite and more so in the granite aplite. The greisens from both the Makhutso Granite and Vlaklaagte granite are strongly enriched in Sn with

the red granitic zones less so. Tin is increasingly enriched with increasing metasomatism from the unaltered granites to the red granites and finally the greisens. Pockets of high grade Sn-ore (cassiterite) are occasionally present in the greisens. The late quartz-pegmatite is depleted in Sn due to its earlier deposition in the greisens.

Tungsten is enriched in the red Vlaklaagte granite, red Makhutso Granite and the greisen from the latter relative to the wall rocks. In the pegmatites and especially the quartz-pegmatite veins the W is extraordinarily enriched (Table 6-1).

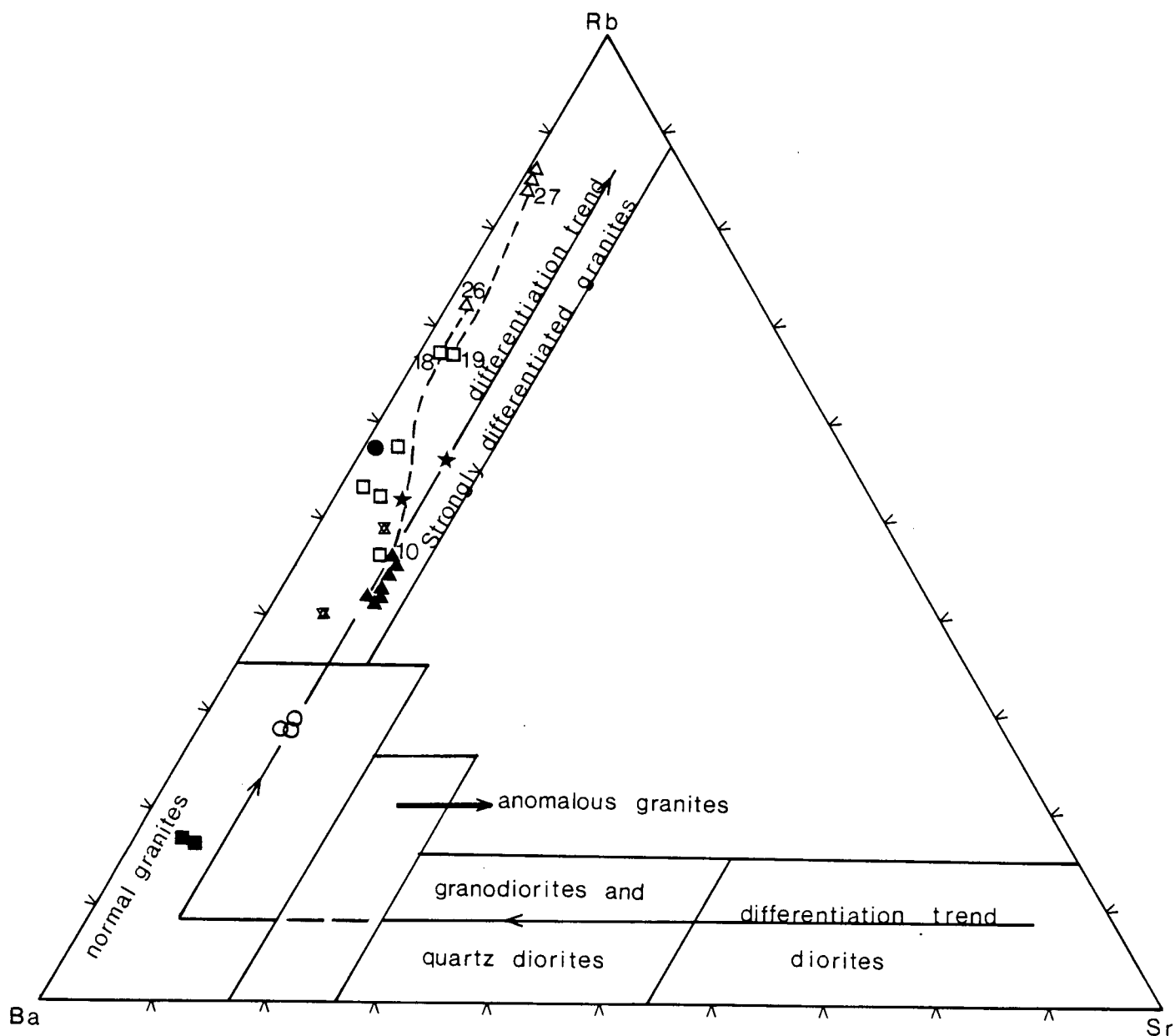
Lead is strongly enriched in the red Makhutso Granite and red Vlaklaagte granite but less enriched in their respective greisens. It is also considerably enriched in the sulphide rich outer quartz-pegmatite veins and the associated altered wall rocks.

Thorium is marginally depleted in the Vlaklaagte granite and enriched in the granite aplite. Both the red Makhutso Granite, the red Vlaklaagte granite and the respective greisens are enriched in Th relative to their wall rocks. It is also strongly enriched in the late pegmatitic stage and more so in the sulphide rich zone (Table 6-1).

Uranium is enriched in the Vlaklaagte granite and more so in the granite aplite. In the pegmatitic stage U shows the strongest enrichment in the red Makhutso Granite and its associated greisen as well as the red Vlaklaagte granite. The greisens associated with the Vlaklaagte granite are depleted rather than enriched. Enrichment of U is also evident in the sulphide-rich late pegmatitic stage (Table 6-1).

6.2.1 Discussion.

The relative concentrations of Rb, Ba and Sr indicates that the Vlaklaagte granite and granite aplite represent late stages of differentiation (Fig. 6-3). The aplite facies is slightly more differentiated and plots along the same differentiation trend, indicating that a fractionation series Makhutso Granite - Vlaklaagte granite - granite aplite may exist.



LEGEND

- Stavoren Granophyre
- Makhutso Granite
- ⊗ Red Makhutso Granite
- ▲ Vlaklaagte granite
- ★ Granite aplite
- Red Vlaklaagte granite
- △ Geisenised Vlaklaagte granite
- Geisenised Makhutso Granite
- (10) Sample number

Figure 6-3: Ternary diagram for Rb, Ba and Sr showing the differentiation trends for the rocks in the area (after El Bouseily and El Sokkary, 1975).

Two suites of metasomatic products are also plotted in this diagram. The one can be traced from the grey Vlaklaagte granite (10) via the red granite (18) to the greisen (26). The second is from the red Vlaklaagte granite (19) through to the greisen (27). These trends indicate a decrease in the Ba and Sr content with an increase in Rb with increasing greisenisation, thereby extending the differentiation trends observed in the pre-pegmatitic rocks. However, the fundamental processes, fractional crystallisation in the pre-pegmatitic rocks and metasomatism in the pegmatitic phase, differ and unusual trends could be expected for some elements. On this basis it may be possible to distinguish between pre-pegmatitic and pegmatitic rocks as well as different rock types in each phase.

A higher degree of differentiation (metasomatism) is apparent in the contact metasomatic products of the endo- than the exo-genetic zone. This is due to less Rb and more Sr being present in the country rocks of the exogenetic (Makhutso Granite) than in the endo-genetic zone (Vlaklaagte granite).

The elements showing enrichment with increasing differentiation in the pre-pegmatitic stage are Li, Be, F, Ni, Cu, Zn, Rb, Zr, Nb, Sn, Th and U. Inverse patterns are depicted for Sr and Ba. No definite enrichment or depletion are evident for B, V, Co, Y, W and Pb.

The elements enriched with increasing metasomatism in the telescopic zones from the unaltered granitic wall rocks through the red granites to the greisens are Li, Be, B, F, V, Co, Ni, Rb, Sn and Th. Elements also enriched in the metasomatic products preferring the red epithermal granitic zones rather than the mesothermal greisen zones, are Cu, Zn, Pb, W and U. The elements generally depleted in the metasomatic products are Sr, Mo, Ba and the incompatible elements Y, Zr and Nb which remain in the gas-liquid phase.

In Fig. 6-4 the more important lateral trace element dispersion patterns in the three main temperature zones are shown, i.e. hypothermal, mesothermal and epithermal. The elements that are enriched from the early (high temperature) metasomatic products to the late (low temperature) sulphide-rich products in the

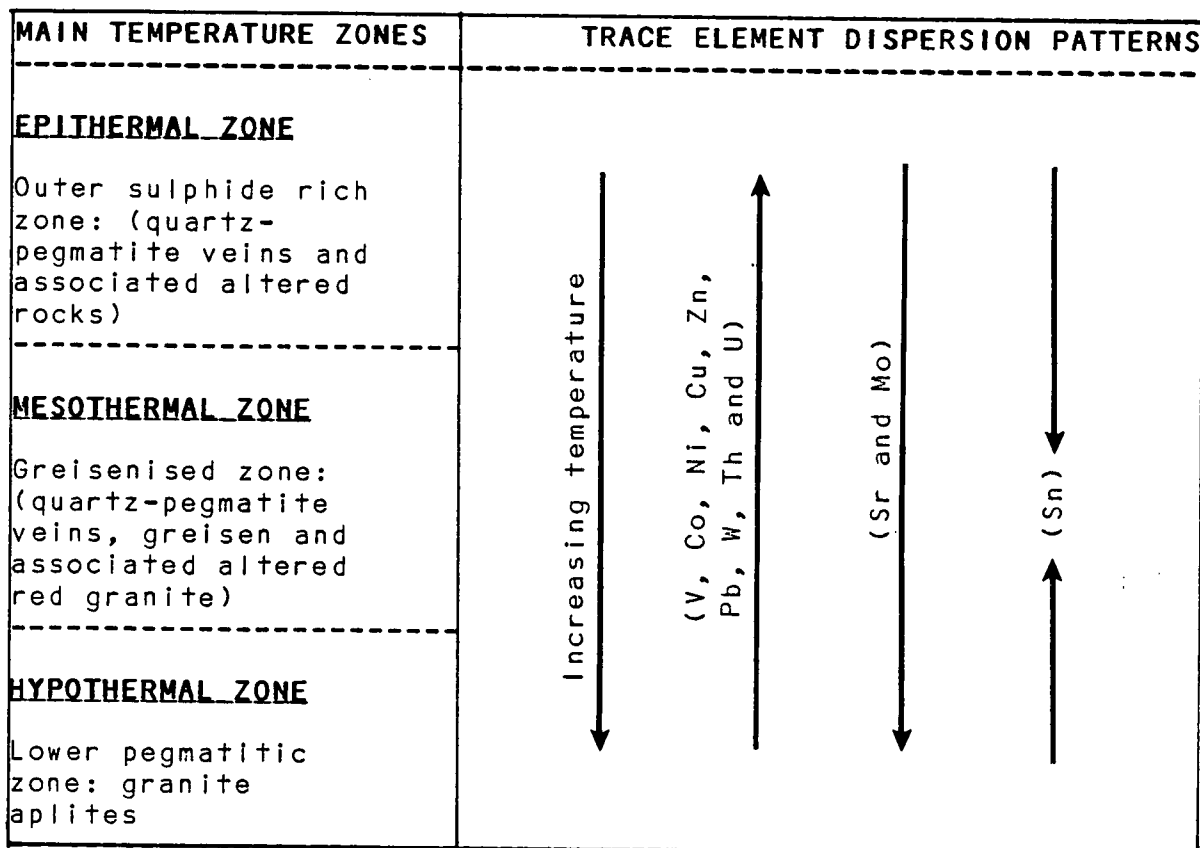


Figure 6-4: Diagram showing the more important trace element dispersion patterns in the three main temperature zones in the pegmatitic stage.

pegmatitic stage are V, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Rb, Pb, W, Th and U. All these elements except for Rb possess either siderophile or chalcophile tendencies. Strontium and in particular Mo show inverse patterns. Tin concentrates in the mesothermal stages (greisen).

As a result the hypothermal zone is marked by the enrichment of Mo, the mesothermal zone by Sn and the epithermal zone by siderophile and chalcophile elements, in particular Cu. This is only partly in agreement with the association of sulphides (especially those of Cu and Mo) with Sn deposits in the Bushveld granites and associated rocks (Crocker and Callaghan, 1979).

The data suggest that specific single or multi-element anomalies are associated with different mineralised zones. It is thus evident that primary anomalies for the elements listed could be studied litho-geochemically. Secondary halos in the overlying soils, reflecting differences in the primary environment, may also form.

6.3 EMPLACEMENT SEQUENCE OF THE GRANITES.

The following emplacement history is inferred from the geological, petrological and geochemical data:-

- The Makhutso Granite intruded into the Stavoren Granophyre, which acted as a roof.
- Deformation including the opening of fissures took place during crystallisation of the Makhutso Granite with the Vlaklaagte granite intruding into these fissures. The Vlaklaagte granite represents a late differentiate of the Makhutso Granite.
- During crystallisation of the Vlaklaagte granite another set of fissures formed in it and were exploited by high temperature pneumatolytic-hydrothermal solutions. This caused apfites to form from which the gas-liquid phase was separated.
- These pneumatolytic-hydrothermal solutions caused quartz-pegmatites to form, accompanied by the metasomatic alteration of the wall rocks under a thermal gradient.

7 VERTICAL GEOCHEMICAL WEATHERING AND DISPERSION PATTERNS IN THE SECONDARY ENVIRONMENT.

Weathering of the surrounding rock-types gives rise to the formation of the soils which in turn reflect some of the geochemical characteristics of the parent material. Taking the various soil forming processes as previously discussed into consideration, it is therefore essential that the vertical geochemical dispersion in the soil profile is examined.

The dispersion patterns in the soils (secondary environment) display vertical and horizontal variations influenced by numerous factors.

Because the bedrock material (Fig. 3-6) consists of partly weathered bedrock and the unconsolidated material consists of soils (residual and transported) one expects a marked difference in the geochemical distribution pattern of these two groups. The geochemical behaviour of each element throughout the soil profile is discussed because of the fact that the soil profile as a whole is regarded as an open chemical system which is not restricted to individual horizons.

7.1 BEDROCK MATERIAL

The major, minor and trace element data (Appendix C) for the R1, R2, R3 and R4 zones in a typical profile (6) are summarised in Fig. 7-1. In general the elements (both major and trace) can be subdivided into five distribution patterns:

- Elements showing an increase from the R4 to the R1 zone (TiO_2 , K_2O , V, Cu, Zn, Rb, Zr, Nb, Ba, Sn, Pb, Th and U).
The mode of enrichment differs widely and the most general causes are the following:-
 - a). Elements associated with resistant minerals being enriched due to compaction (TiO_2 , V, Zr, Nb, Sn, Th and U).
 - b). Elements with lithophile tendencies associated with clay minerals (K_2O , Rb and Ba).
 - c). Elements with chalcophile tendencies also strongly associated with clay minerals and iron oxides (Cu, Zn and

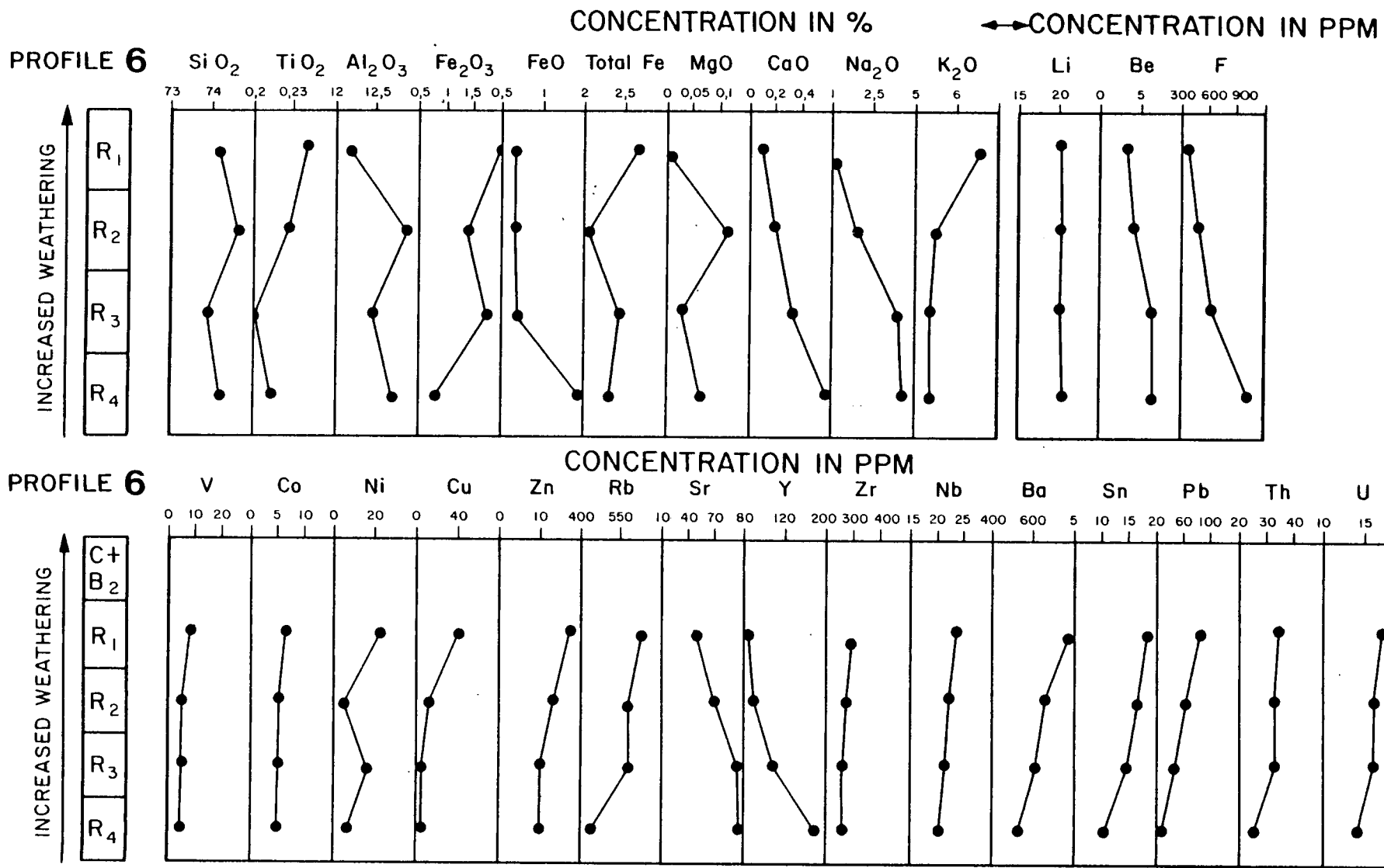


Figure 7-1: Profile diagram showing the distribution patterns for major and trace elements in the bedrock material.

Pb). The relatively low concentrations of Cu and Pb in the rock itself are unlikely to be the source for the high concentrations observed in the higher zones. This enrichment in the weathered zones is possibly the result of the enrichment from an external source. Copper and Pb transported in solution by groundwater is considered to be the reason for enrichment in this bedrock zone. Similar enrichment of Cu and Pb in the soils overlying the bedrock material have also been observed.

- Elements showing a decrease from the R4 to the R1 zone (CaO, Na₂O, Be, F, Sr and Y). These elements are leachable and therefore mobile. Apart from Y the elements are also known to be associated with non-resistant silicate minerals.
- Elements with a strong siderophile tendency following Fe³⁺ closely (Co and Ni). These elements (particularly Ni) are enriched in the highly oxidised R3 and R1 zones where Fe²⁺ is oxidised to Fe³⁺.
- Elements enriched in the reduced R2 zone (Al₂O₃ and MgO). This could be the result of the reducing nature in the R2 zone, causing higher concentrations of illite and kaolinite to be present with less Fe³⁺.
- Elements showing no definite variation (SiO₂ and Li).

The mineral in which an element is present together with the redox potential evidently control its solubility. If the element substitutes in a resistant mineral it tends to be enriched with increasing weathering. If an element is present in a non-resistant mineral it could either remain behind when immobile or be leached if mobile. The mobility of the leached elements then depends on the redox potential of the zone through which it is moving.

To a much lesser extent the enrichment and depletion of mobile elements are also dependant on the concentration of the elements in the rock. If the concentration of an element in the percolating groundwater is higher than those in the rock itself, the weathered zones would tend to be enriched in such

an element. If the concentration of a mobile element is higher in the rock than in the undersaturated groundwater the inverse is expected. The behaviour of mobile elements in the bedrock weathering zone is therefore unpredictable if the mineral in which the elements occur and the external enrichment is unknown.

Maximum groundwater movement occurs on the contact between the bedrock and unconsolidated weathering zone. Consequently the development of false anomalies for mobile elements are expected at geochemical barriers.

7.2 UNCONSOLIDATED MATERIAL

As discussed in Chapter 3 the unconsolidated material is subdivided into residual and transported soils, which are separated by the pebble layer on the upper slopes and ridge. On the middle and foot slope palaeo-colluvium occurs below the pebble layer.

Chemical analyses of the various whole samples as well as on different mesh size fractions were carried out. The whole sample analyses were used to determine the general distribution pattern whilst the different size fraction analyses were used to evaluate the most sensitive fraction for exploration.

7.2.1 Whole samples

The major and minor element distribution patterns in two typical soil profiles (Appendix D) are illustrated in Fig. 7-2. Distribution patterns for trace elements are shown for all profiles in Appendix E. Although major elements can be used for exploration purposes, attention is mainly given to those minor and trace elements that can be analysed routinely on a X-ray fluorescence spectrometer.

Mottling is a common feature and because of the heterogeneous nature thereof, the chemical dispersion between the different types of mottles are discussed in this section.

7.2.1.1 Major element distribution

The major element distribution in soil profiles is a direct consequence of the breakdown of rock-forming minerals with resistates

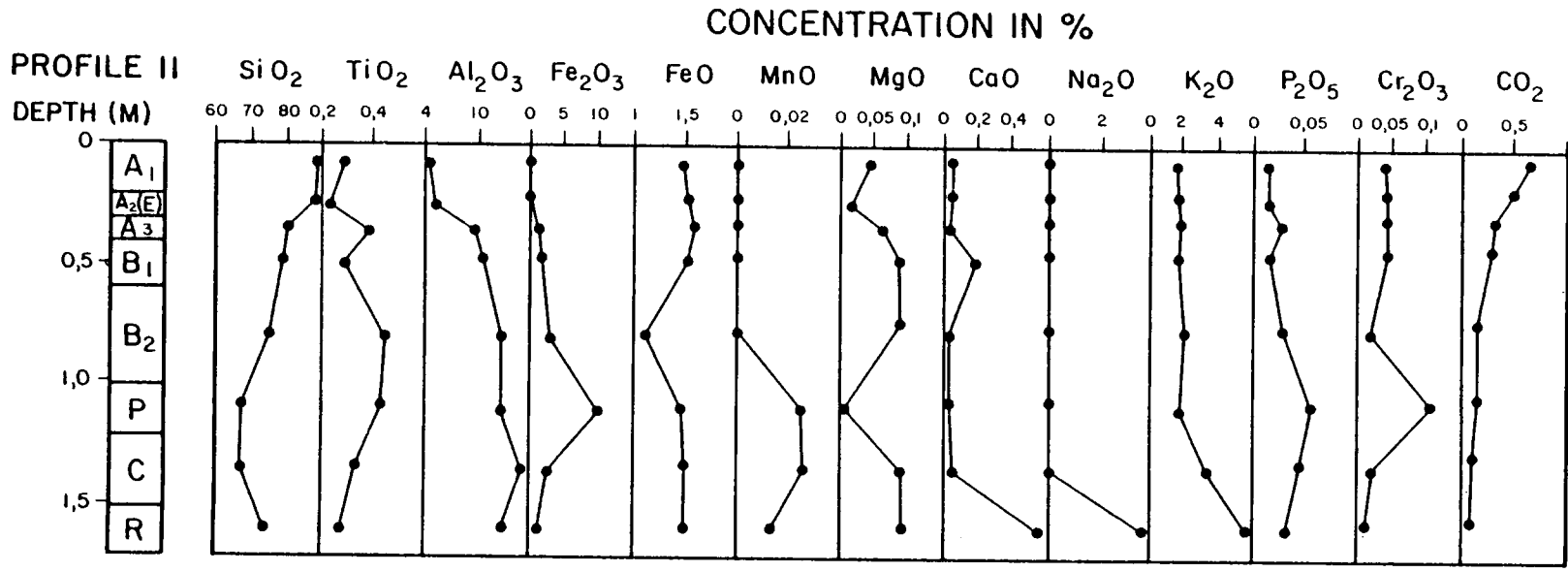
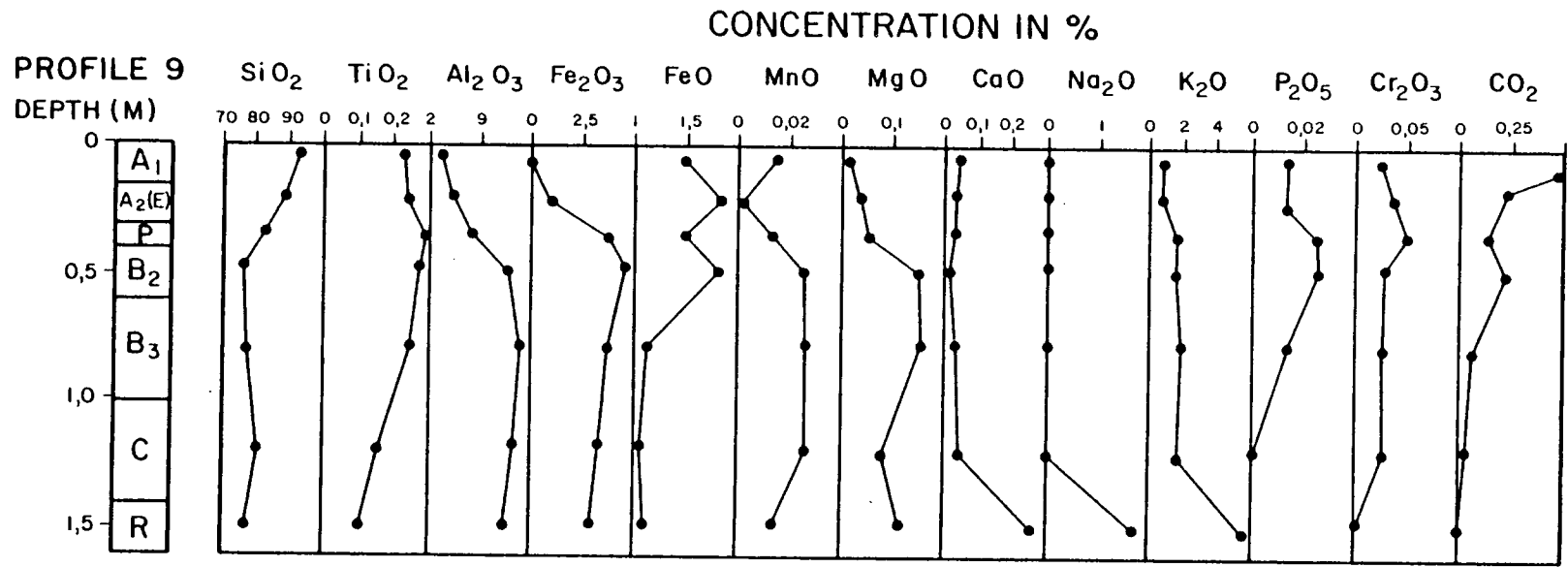


Figure 7-2: Major element distribution patterns in profiles 9 and 11.

and clay minerals forming the residual end products. The elemental oxide distribution in typical soil profiles on the ridge and upper slopes with the B horizon developed in residual (profile 9) and transported soil (profile 11) respectively are shown in Fig. 7-2.

SiO₂

The SiO₂ content in the residual soils is fairly low in the B horizon of profile 9 with the C horizon enriched relative to the bedrock, whilst in profile 11 the C horizon has the lowest concentration. In the transported soils the SiO₂ is enriched in the A horizon of both profiles and less so in the B horizon relative to the residual soils (profile 11). The pebble layer in the residual soil profile (9) is enriched in SiO₂ whilst the pebble layer and C horizon in the transported soil profile (11) are depleted.

It is evident that the proportion of resistant quartz increases in zones of eluviation (A horizon) while the inverse is true as the accumulation (illuviation) of clay minerals increases in the B horizon. Eluviation and illuviation are therefore also the main controlling factors in the enrichment or depletion of SiO₂ in the pebble layer. In the C horizon the concentration of SiO₂ in respect to the bedrock is controlled by the same influences.

TiO₂

The TiO₂ is enriched in the upper parts of the residual soils (Appendix A). The B₂(R) horizon forming the top part in the residual soils, usually shows the maximum enrichment. Distribution patterns of TiO₂ are very irregular in the transported soils but a slight enrichment in the B₂(T) horizon is usually present (profile 11). The pebble layer is strongly enriched in TiO₂ when compared with the residual and transported soils.

Enrichment of TiO₂ in the upper parts of the residual soils and in the pebble layer is the result of compaction and the concentration of resistates such as ilmenite and sphene. The irregular distribution patterns in the transported soils are due to the fact that TiO₂ is present in resistates. The enrichment of TiO₂ in the B₂ horizon of the transported soils could be

the result of the adsorption of some Ti^{2+} on clay minerals or the formation of rutile needles (Goldschmidt, 1954). Should this enrichment have been the result of heavy mineral concentrations then an enrichment in the other transported horizons would be expected.

Al₂O₃

In residual soils Al₂O₃ shows a strong enrichment in the B horizon and more specifically the B₃ horizon of profile 9. Compared to the bedrock, the C horizon is also enriched in both profiles 9 and 11. In transported soils Al₂O₃ is depleted in the A horizon of both profiles 9 and 11. The B horizon of profile 11 is situated in the transported soils and also shows an enrichment in Al₂O₃ compared to the A horizon. The Al₂O₃ is depleted in the pebble layers of both profiles 9 and 11 compared to the residual soils. This depletion is greater in profile 9.

Al₂O₃ shows a strong enrichment in the illuvial zones while the zone of eluviation is depleted. The same pattern is observed in the pebble layer. It is thus clear that Al₂O₃ and SiO₂ show a strong inverse distribution in the zones of eluviation and illuviation, resulting from the fact that quartz and clay minerals are the dominant soil forming constituents.

FeO and Fe₂O₃

In residual soils Fe₂O₃ and FeO are enriched in the oxidised illuvial horizon i.e., the B₂(R) horizon. The reduced illuvial horizon (B₃ horizon) is less enriched than the B₂(R) horizon relative to the bedrock. Only the Fe₂O₃ is enriched in the C horizon whilst the FeO remains the same as in the bedrock. The A horizon in transported soils is completely depleted of Fe₂O₃ with the B horizon enriched as illuviation increases. Irregular distribution patterns are obtained for FeO in the transported soils, indicating that Fe²⁺ could be captured in resistates. The pebble layer is more enriched in Fe₂O₃ than either the residual or transported soils.

Goethite and hematite cause enrichment of Fe₂O₃ in the intermediate zones. Accumulation of iron and aluminium oxides in the illuviated B horizon is very characteristic and depletion of these in the eluviated A horizon is common (Levinson, 1980).

Goethite pellets cause the high Fe_2O_3 concentrations in the pebble layer.

Most of the ferrous iron which oxidises to ferric iron originates from the ferro-magnesian silicate minerals whilst that present in resistant minerals such as magnetite and ilmenite, remains longer in the Fe^{2+} state.

MnO

The MnO is slightly enriched in the B and C horizons in the residual soils relative to its concentration in the bedrock. In the transported soils MnO is generally depleted compared to the residual soils, showing an irregular distribution pattern. The behaviour of MnO in the pebble layer is unpredictable with Mn showing an affinity for the iron oxides.

Depletion of MnO in the transported soils could be due to differences in source areas or stronger leaching conditions than in the residual soils.

MgO

In residual soils MgO is enriched in the B horizon compared to the bedrock. In transported soils MgO is depleted in the A horizon and enriched in the B horizon. The pebble layer is also depleted of MgO compared to the residual soils.

MgO is thus leached in the eluvial zone (i.e. the A horizon) and accumulated in the illuvial zones (i.e. the B horizon). MgO furthermore correlates positively with the clay minerals and especially the chlorite content of the soil. The high mobility of Mg^{2+} is a result of its low ionic potential (Gordon *et al.*, 1958).

CaO and Na₂O

Both the CaO and Na₂O are almost totally depleted in the residual soils relative to the bedrock. In the transported soils and pebble layer CaO and Na₂O are totally depleted.

The depletion indicates that both these elements have a greater mobility during the prevailing weathering conditions than any of the other major elements. The low ionic potential

($Z/r < 3.0$) of these elements is the reason for their high mobility (Gordon *et al.*, 1958).

K₂O

The residual soils are depleted of K₂O compared to the bedrock. The C horizon is most depleted whilst the B horizons, (especially the B₃ horizon) are enriched (profile 9). The transported soils are more depleted in K₂O than the residual soils with the A horizon showing the greatest depletion. Some enrichment was observed in the B horizon of profile 9. The K₂O concentration in the pebble layer depends on the ratio between residual and transported soils and is therefore unpredictable.

The K₂O which shows a slight increase in the consolidated zone decreases with increasing weathering due to pottassium feldspar decomposition. This behaviour is also ascribed to the low ionic potential of K₂O. An increase of K₂O in the B horizon could also be a result of its association with clay minerals.

P₂O₅

Phosphorus is enriched in the upper zones of the residual soils and the highest concentration is in the zone below the pebble layer (Appendix A). An irregular distribution pattern is common in the transported soils. The highest concentration in the profile as a whole, is often present in the pebble layer.

Enrichment of P₂O₅ in the residual zones and the pebble layer is a result of the accumulation of resistates (monazite and apatite). Irregular distribution patterns in the transported soils can be expected due to different sources and energy conditions during deposition.

Cr₂O₃

The Cr₂O₃ is enriched in the residual soils, but in transported soils it has an irregular distribution. Chromium is most enriched in the pebble layer.

Enrichment of Cr₂O₃ in the pebble layer may be due to the precipitation of the chromate ion by the cations of heavy metals such as Pb and Mo which are associated with the iron oxides in both profiles (Goldschmidt, 1954).

CO₂

Carbon measured as CO₂ is depleted in the residual zones except for the B₂(R) horizon in profile 9 where it is enriched. It is enriched in the A horizon and depleted in the other horizons of the transported soils. The CO₂ is also depleted in the pebble zone.

Enrichment of CO₂ in the upper horizons is caused by organic carbon resulting from the breakdown of organic matter. Percolating groundwater can transport the organic carbon downwards causing enrichment of the lower horizons. Enrichment in the B₂(R) horizon of profile 9 could be due to organic debris present in the palaeo-surface. The C horizon in profile 11, however, does not show any enrichment.

7.2.1.2 Trace element distribution

The trace element distribution patterns in the soil profiles, are plotted for all 32 profiles and are illustrated in Appendix E. Elements with very similar behaviour patterns are grouped together in the subsequent discussion and the generalised trace element dispersion patterns in the two most typical soil profiles in the area are shown in Fig. 7-3.

The most consistent variations are seen in those elements displaying a siderophile tendency upon weathering (Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Pb and Mo). In the residual soils the elements are enriched in the oxidised B horizon (especially the B₂(R)) relative to the bedrock. Enrichment is also present in the B₃ and C horizons of some profiles. They are depleted in the transported soils (particularly the A horizon) but marginally enriched in the B₂(T) horizon. The pebble layer shows the greatest enrichment of all the zones in the profile.

The above elements are coprecipitated and adsorbed on iron oxides rather than clay minerals in the B₂ horizon and the pebble layer. Sporadic enrichment in the B₃ and C horizon can be attributed to enrichment by lateral-moving groundwater. A close relationship between the distribution patterns of Pb and Th exists in the transported soils, suggesting that both co-exist in resistant minerals (eg. monazite, sphene and allanite) or that anglesite

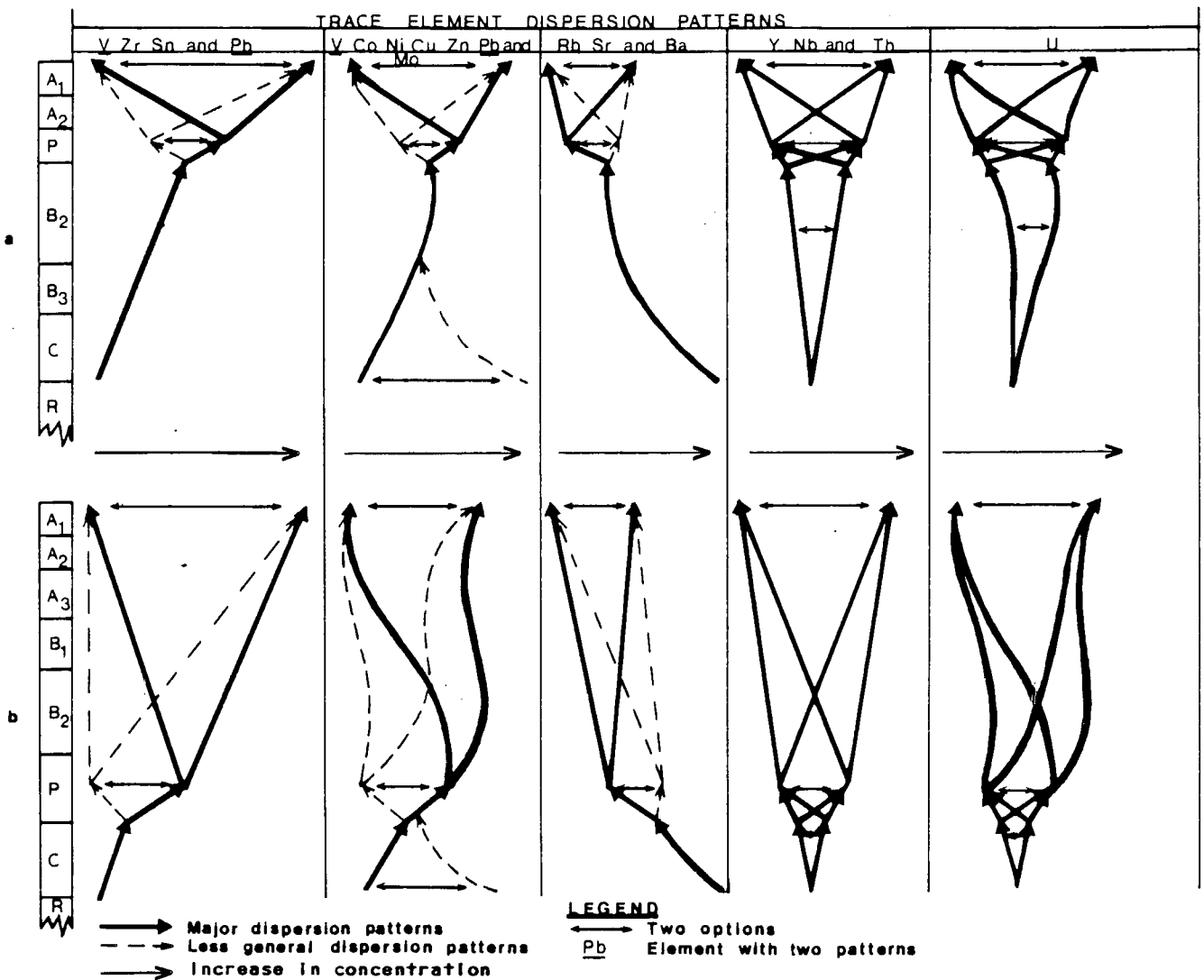


Figure 7-3: Generalised trace element dispersion patterns in the two most typical soil profiles in the area representing a) a partly stripped palaeo-profile and b) a completely stripped palaeo-profile.

or cerussite are present.

Rubidium, Sr and Ba display a lithophile tendency upon weathering in the profiles. These elements are depleted in the residual soils compared to the bedrock with their concentrations decreasing to the top zones. The transported soils are marked by low, variable concentrations. Very low concentrations are also present in the pebble layer.

Both Rb, Sr and Ba have low ionic potentials ($Z/r < 3.0$, Gordon *et al.*, (1958), causing their high mobility. Their concentrations in the soil profiles depend on the leaching conditions of feldspar only. The percentage clay minerals is a minor controlling factor in this case.

Those elements controlled by resistant minerals are Zr and to a lesser extent V and Sn. In the residual soils these elements show enrichment toward the upper parts (either the B or C horizon) compared to the bedrock. In the transported soil they show a variable distribution pattern, with some enrichment of V and Sn occurring in the B₂ horizons of some profiles. Vanadium is the most enriched in the pebble zone whilst extremely high Sn concentrations are encountered in some profiles. In other profiles the Sn concentration in the pebble layer seems to be a function of its concentration in either the transported or residual soils. Zirconium is generally depleted in the pebble layer although enriched in a few profiles.

Eluviation coupled with compaction results in the concentration of the resistates which explains the enrichment of the above elements towards the upper parts of the residual soils. In the transported soils and pebble layer differences in the grain size of the resistates and the chemical tendencies of these elements upon weathering require separate discussion.

Vanadium enrichment in the pebble layer (especially in the goethite pellets) and the B₂(T) horizon would be due to sorption on Fe-oxides. Hydromorphic enrichment of V in addition to eluvial enrichment in the Fe-rich residual zones (B horizon) is also recognised in one profile. The variable distribution of V in the transported soils could result from variations in

the resistate concentrations.

Erratic Zr distribution in transported soils may be due to variations in sources or energy conditions during deposition. Coarse material consisting of quartz pebbles and goethite pellets is the reason for the low Zr concentrations in the pebble layer. The finer grained zircon is concentrated in the silt-clay fraction.

Tin is enriched in transported soils derived from Sn-rich sources. Lateral eluvial enrichment of cassiterite in transported soils causes the higher concentrations in this zone. Enrichment in the pebble layer can be ascribed to the concentration of coarser cassiterite grains in the predominant coarser fractions, or to the siderophile enrichment of Sn. Due to its high S.G., cassiterite could be deposited in hydraulic equilibrium with coarse quartz pebbles, which will cause an inverse relationship between grain size and Sn-contents. The concentration of Sn in the pebble layer is thus controlled by the ratio of transported to relict material and the concentration of Sn in the transported and residual soils.

Enrichment of Sn in the B₂ horizon is a result of hydromorphic enrichment of Sn leached from silicates such as biotite on weathering.

Thorium, U, Y and Nb have confusing distribution patterns. These elements are often enriched in the upper zones of the residual soil profiles whilst depleted in others relative to the bedrock. In the transported soils they behave erratic and are nearly always depleted (especially in the A horizon). Both Y and U are enriched in the pebble layer. The enrichment of Y in this zone is due to the concentration of resistates and that of U due to its siderophile enrichment in the goethite pellets. Nb is generally depleted in the pebble layer with Th showing no consistent behaviour.

Enrichment towards the upper parts of the residual soils is due to the accumulation of resistates. Depletion in the top parts of some profiles can result from the association of these elements with nonresistant silicate minerals.

When the above elements are released upon weathering Y,

Nb, and Th behave lithophilic and U siderophilic.

Yttrium, Nb and Th preferentially concentrate in the gleyed horizons for the same reasons as Rb, Sr and Ba. When leached from silicates Y like Rb, Sr and Ba, is very mobile.

Uranium has a strong affinity for highly oxidised zones (B_2 horizon and pebble layer). As a result enrichment in the B_2 horizon of some profiles is also evident. This affinity can be attributed to the fact that the uranium is adsorbed by the hydrous ferric oxides.

7.2.1.3 Mottling and the formation of the gleyed horizons.

Mottles are absent in the lower part of the C horizon and thus exclude geogenic mottling in these soils (Brink and Williams, 1977). Hydromorphic mottling is present, indicating intermittent wet and dry conditions. In Fig. 7-4 the pH values obtained for the different horizons in profiles 9, 26 and 27 (Table 7-1) are plotted on a pH-Eh diagram. Most reactions in the zone of weathering take place within the shaded area (Fig. 7-4) and the dashed curve represents the oxidation-reduction potential for ferrous and ferric iron in solution. The portion of the curve with the steepest negative slope represents (Fe^{+2}) in solution in equilibrium with (Fe_2O_3 , $FeO(OH)$) as solids.

At a pH of 5 or higher the oxidation potential of ferrous hydroxide lies far below the potential available in the weathering environment and therefore all the horizons with a pH in the dotted area are marked by red, brown or yellow iron oxides.

Relatively low pH values (4.2 - 4.8) were obtained in the B_3 horizons (5.1 - 5.3) and in the $B_2(R)$ horizons (Table 7-1). During intermittent wet periods the oxidation potential of the water-saturated and poorly aerated gleyed horizon will decrease (the pH-Eh state of the soils will move into the black area in Fig. 7-4) and reduction of ferric oxides and hydroxides will take place resulting in mobile ferrous compounds that can be leached from the soils.

Strong depletion of iron causes the gleyed B_3 horizon in

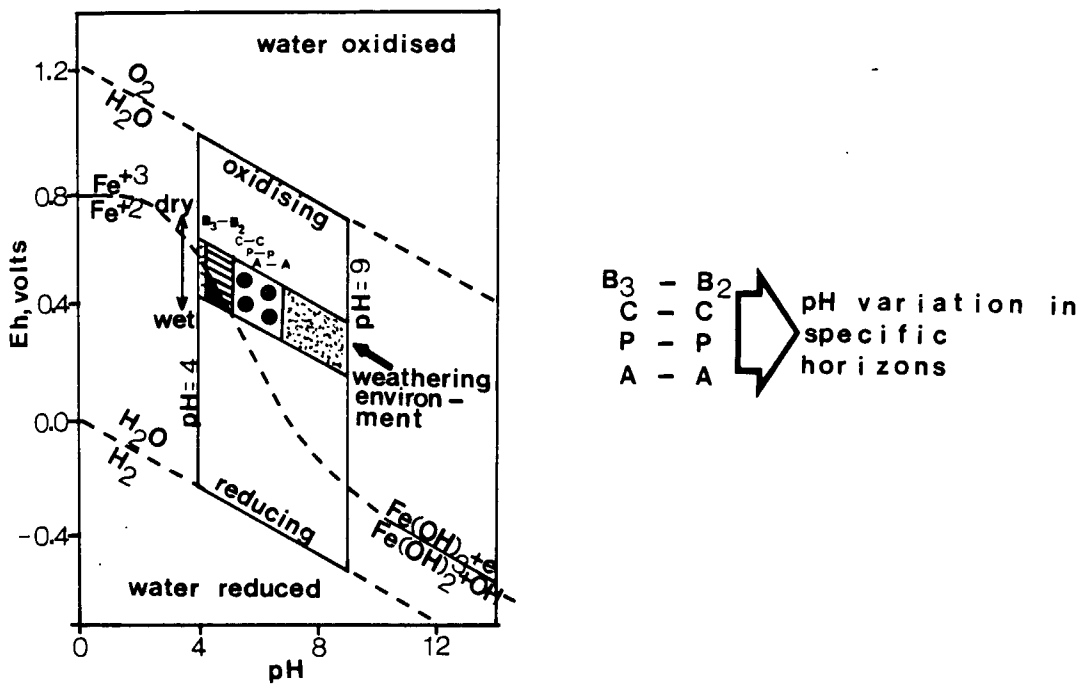


Figure 7-4: Eh-pH diagram (after Levinson, 1980) in which the pH values for the various horizons in profiles 9, 26 and 27 are plotted.

TABLE 7-1: THE pH VALUES FOR ALL HORIZONS IN PROFILES 9, 26 AND 27.

| HORIZONS | pH VALUES OF SOILS | | |
|----------------|--------------------|------------|------------|
| | PROFILE 9 | PROFILE 26 | PROFILE 27 |
| A ₁ | 5.5 | 6.0 | 6.5 |
| A ₂ | 5.5 | 5.7 | 6.1 |
| P | 5.3 | 5.5 | 5.7 |
| B ₂ | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.3 |
| B ₃ | 4.8 | 4.2 | 4.5 |
| C | 5.2 | 5.3 | 5.4 |

most of the profiles. When iron is not completely leached the ferrous oxides are oxidised and precipitated around nuclei of existing iron minerals during drier conditions when oxygen enters the soil. The pH-Eh state of the soils will then move back into the striped area (Fig. 7-4). The precipitation of ferric oxides then causes the mottled structures in the B₂(R) horizon or B₃ horizon. In the B₃ horizon white mottling is predominant whereas in the B₂(R) horizon the mottling is predominantly red.

Major element analysis on such mottles from profile 9 (Table 7-2) shows that Fe₂O₃ is dominant in the red mottles whilst Al₂O₃ and K₂O are dominant in the white mottles. In the reddish B₂(R) horizons from profiles 26 and 27, Fe₂O₃, Al₂O₃ and K₂O are enriched whilst Fe₂O₃ is depleted in the gleyed B₃ horizons.

The gleyed and mottled horizons therefore resulted from alternating acid reducing to oxidizing environments. This could be due to a fluctuating water table or lateral moving groundwater, containing H⁺-ions, during intermittent wet and dry periods. The H⁺ is then preferably adsorbed on the clay minerals of the lower illuvial horizons (hydrolysis), causing the clay to behave like weak acids and lowering the pH value to between 4 and 5. An increase in the H⁺-ion concentration then causes a decrease in the solubility of lateral and vertically moving SiO₂ and Al₂O₃ and promotes the formation of clay minerals (Harmse, 1974).

The fact that no water table was observed during the sampling of the profiles in the rainy season and the fact that the lower part of the present C horizon is not similarly affected by the lateral movement of groundwater, excludes both these possibilities for the present. It is, however, possible that the gleyed horizon represents a palaeo-marker for a zone of maximum groundwater movement. The low pH observed in this study would therefore have developed in the gleyed zones at a much earlier stage and would have remained to the present.

Minor and trace element analysis on mottles from profile 9 as well as on kaolinitic feldspars and goethite pellets from profiles 9, 10, 12 and 14 (Table 7-2) indicates that V, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Mo, Sn, Pb and U are preferentially fixed with iron oxides whilst Rb, Sr, Y, Ba and Th rather prefer the clay minerals.

TABLE 7-2: THE MAJOR AND TRACE ELEMENT CONCENTRATIONS IN THE B₂ AND GLEYED HORIZONS, THE RED AND WHITE MOTTLES AND THE GOETHITE PELLETS AND WEATHERED FELDSPARS.

| | B ₃ AND B ₂ HORIZONS | | | | MOTTLES | | PEBBLE | | | | LAYER | | | |
|--------------------------------|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|------|------------|-----|------------|-----|------------|-----|
| | PROFILE 26 | | PROFILE 27 | | PROFILE 9 | | PROFILE 9 | | PROFILE 10 | | PROFILE 12 | | PROFILE 14 | |
| | B ₃ | B ₂ | B ₃ | B ₂ | B ₃ (W) | B ₃ (R) | KAO | GDE | KAO | GDE | KAO | GDE | KAO | GDE |
| SiO ₂ | 78.05 | 80.10 | 78.47 | 80.63 | 75.96 | 80.58 | | | | | | | | |
| TiO ₂ | 0.30 | 0.30 | 0.31 | 0.30 | 0.25 | 0.17 | | | | | | | | |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 13.05 | 10.21 | 12.42 | 9.31 | 14.72 | 5.64 | | | | | | | | |
| Fe ₂ O ₃ | 1.31 | 3.40 | 1.62 | 2.74 | 1.31 | 8.47 | | | | | | | | |
| FeO | 1.21 | 1.72 | 1.17 | 1.51 | 0.90 | 1.52 | | | | | | | | |
| MnO | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.03 | | | | | | | | |
| MgO | 0.17 | 0.16 | 0.16 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.16 | | | | | | | | |
| CaO | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.03 | | | | | | | | |
| Na ₂ O | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | | | | | | | | |
| K ₂ O | 3.04 | 1.51 | 2.88 | 1.67 | 4.06 | 1.48 | | | | | | | | |
| P ₂ O ₅ | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.01 | | | | | | | | |
| Cr ₂ O ₃ | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.03 | | | | | | | | |
| H ₂ O+ | 1.56 | 1.84 | 2.33 | 2.16 | 1.31 | 1.11 | | | | | | | | |
| H ₂ O- | 0.48 | 0.21 | 0.37 | 0.16 | 0.50 | 0.12 | | | | | | | | |
| CO ₂ | 0.06 | 0.12 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.03 | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL | 99.35 | 99.69 | 99.89 | 98.85 | 99.35 | 99.39 | | | | | | | | |
| V | 14 | 19 | 16 | 21 | 24 | 48 | 53 | 310 | 16 | 217 | 32 | 347 | 23 | 272 |
| Co | 10 | 14 | 6 | 5 | 15 | 28 | 5 | 311 | 5 | 203 | 7 | 278 | 5 | 174 |
| Ni | 5 | 5 | 10 | 5 | 9 | 15 | 5 | 75 | 5 | 57 | 5 | 64 | 5 | 57 |
| Cu | 5 | 8 | 12 | 6 | 20 | 30 | 34 | 166 | 23 | 247 | 18 | 427 | 71 | 831 |
| Zn | 5 | 8 | 10 | 5 | 20 | 30 | 31 | 82 | 9 | 85 | 8 | 49 | 33 | 100 |
| Rb | 168 | 97 | 126 | 61 | 414 | 278 | 300 | 97 | 200 | 46 | 247 | 40 | 158 | 30 |
| Sr | 14 | 11 | 10 | 6 | 17 | 7 | 14 | 5 | 17 | 5 | 14 | 5 | 10 | 5 |
| Y | 65 | 60 | 38 | 39 | 92 | 68 | 111 | 45 | 75 | 45 | 81 | 33 | 60 | 34 |
| Zr | 401 | 422 | 342 | 396 | 305 | 287 | 327 | 335 | 324 | 348 | 256 | 263 | 341 | 334 |
| Nb | 21 | 21 | 17 | 14 | 24 | 18 | 25 | 23 | 12 | 17 | 11 | 11 | 22 | 6 |
| Mo | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 35 | 5 | 55 | 35 | 75 | 3 | 57 |
| Ba | 280 | 119 | 138 | 69 | 222 | 60 | 178 | 5 | 166 | 5 | 106 | 5 | 115 | 5 |
| Sn | 30 | 31 | 29 | 36 | 985 | 1165 | 1061 | 1867 | 60 | 115 | 11 | 45 | 22 | 174 |
| W | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 20 |
| Pb | 50 | 33 | 24 | 7 | 76 | 103 | 136 | 184 | 46 | 306 | 24 | 85 | 5 | 140 |
| Th | 21 | 23 | 23 | 14 | 32 | 34 | 41 | 25 | 19 | 18 | 11 | 6 | 33 | 34 |
| U | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 8 | 9 | 6 | 30 | 7 | 33 | 5 | 25 | 5 | 40 |

B₃W - WHITE MOTTLE
 B₃R - RED MOTTLE
 KAO - KAOLINITE (ALTERED FELDSPAR)
 GDE - GOETHITE PELLETS

This explains the enrichment of the former group of elements in the pebble layer (goethite pellets) and the B₂ horizon.

7.2.1.4 Discussion.

The major constituents in the soils (SiO₂ and Al₂O₃) represent respectively the quartz and clay fractions which are the dominant mineral phases. The quartz to clay ratio together with the Fe₂O₃ content are the main factors controlling the distribution of all the other elements in the soil profiles.

Quartz always increases relative to clay minerals as eluviation increases and the reverse applies to illuviation. Since quartz is mono-elemental an increase in its concentration dilutes the concentration of all the other elements.

Some of the minor and trace elements (eg. Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Rb, Sr and Ba) accumulate in the clay fraction which is the second most dominant constituent in soils. These elements are enriched in the illuvial zones where clay accumulates. Their concentration is therefore also influenced by the quartz to clay ratio of the sample.

The Fe₂O₃ in each zone fixes chalcophile and siderophile elements in the secondary environment and is associated with the oxidation zones (B₂ horizon and the pebble layer).

The element behaviour patterns in the soil profiles can be subdivided into three groups:-

Elements mainly present in resistates (P, Si, Zr, V and Sn):

The distribution of these elements in the secondary environment is controlled by the distribution of the resistates with which they are associated. In the upper parts of the residual soils enrichment of these elements is due to compaction. In the transported soils they could behave erratic due to differences in sources and conditions of deposition.

When leached upon weathering, V and Sn are also enriched in the oxidised zones (especially in goethite pellets associated with the pebble layer) reflecting their siderophile character.

Elements associated with non-resistant minerals (Mg, Ca, Na, K, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Pb, Mo, Rb, Sr and Ba): These elements are leached upon weathering but differences in their chemical affinity cause different distribution patterns. Two groups are distinguished:

- Siderophile and chalcophile elements (Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Pb and Mo) which are enriched in the oxidised zones due to adsorption onto or coprecipitation with the iron oxides. This is evident in the B₂ horizon and the pebble layer.
- Lithophile elements (Mg, Ca, Na, K, Rb, Sr and Ba) are very mobile and the clay minerals are the controlling factor in fixing them (Table 7-2). Calcium, Na, Rb, Sr and Ba, however, show no remarkable preference for the clay rich horizons because of their high mobility.

Elements associated with both resistant and non-resistant minerals (Ti, Mn, Y, Nb, Th and U): The behaviour of the elements depends on their original host minerals and could cause either enrichment or depletion in the upper residual soils. This causes a confusing distribution pattern. Further distribution of these elements when leached, is controlled by their chemical affinity which makes distribution patterns even more unpredictable. These elements can be subdivided into:

- Manganese and U which are enriched in the oxidised zones (i.e. the B₂ horizon and the pebble layer) when released upon weathering.
- Lithophile elements (Ti, Y, Nb and Th) which are preferentially adsorbed on the clay minerals. Enrichment of these elements in the B₃ horizon or pallid zone is therefore common. Yttrium, however, is more mobile and not that strongly associated with the clay minerals.

It is clear that an understanding of the host mineral phase for each element is a prerequisite for understanding its distribution in soil. In addition the use of SiO₂/Al₂O₃, Al₂O₃/Fe₂O₃ and SiO₂/Fe₂O₃ ratios, in conjunction with the mineralogical and chemical parameters, is imparitive in understanding the geochemistry

of the secondary environment.

7.2.2 Size fractions

Tin, Mo and Cu are considered to be three of the most sensitive pathfinders in the exploration for tin and associated deposits. A study of the behaviour of these elements in the different soil size fractions was therefore attempted.

The parameters evaluated, include the optimum size-fraction and horizon to sample during an exploration programme. As a result of the differences in the composition and formation of the residual soils, the transported soils and the pebble layer, each one is evaluated separately in order to establish the best size fraction and horizon to sample for exploration.

7.2.2.1 Tin

In the soils under consideration Sn is predominantly present as cassiterite. The grain size of cassiterite is thus the most important factor in the determination of the size fraction to be used in exploration.

Figures 7-5 and 7-6 indicate that the grain size of cassiterite in the three soil types and in different profiles varies considerably. This results from differences in the sources from which the cassiterite was derived, which in turn reflects the depositional environment of the primary deposit. Coarse-grained cassiterite and nodules are restricted to soils derived from greisens and pegmatite veins, whilst finer grained cassiterite is derived from altered and unaltered granites.

In the **residual soils** (Fig. 7-6) the sand fractions give the most consistent distribution patterns. This reflects the grain-size of the primary cassiterite. The gravel (eg. profiles 2, 12, 26, 27, 29 and 31) and the silt-clay fractions (eg. profiles 2 and 12) are thus not always representative sampling media.

Due to the grain-size of cassiterite in the greisens, the gravel fraction could well be the optimal size fraction for soils overlying the massive greisens. In this case, however,

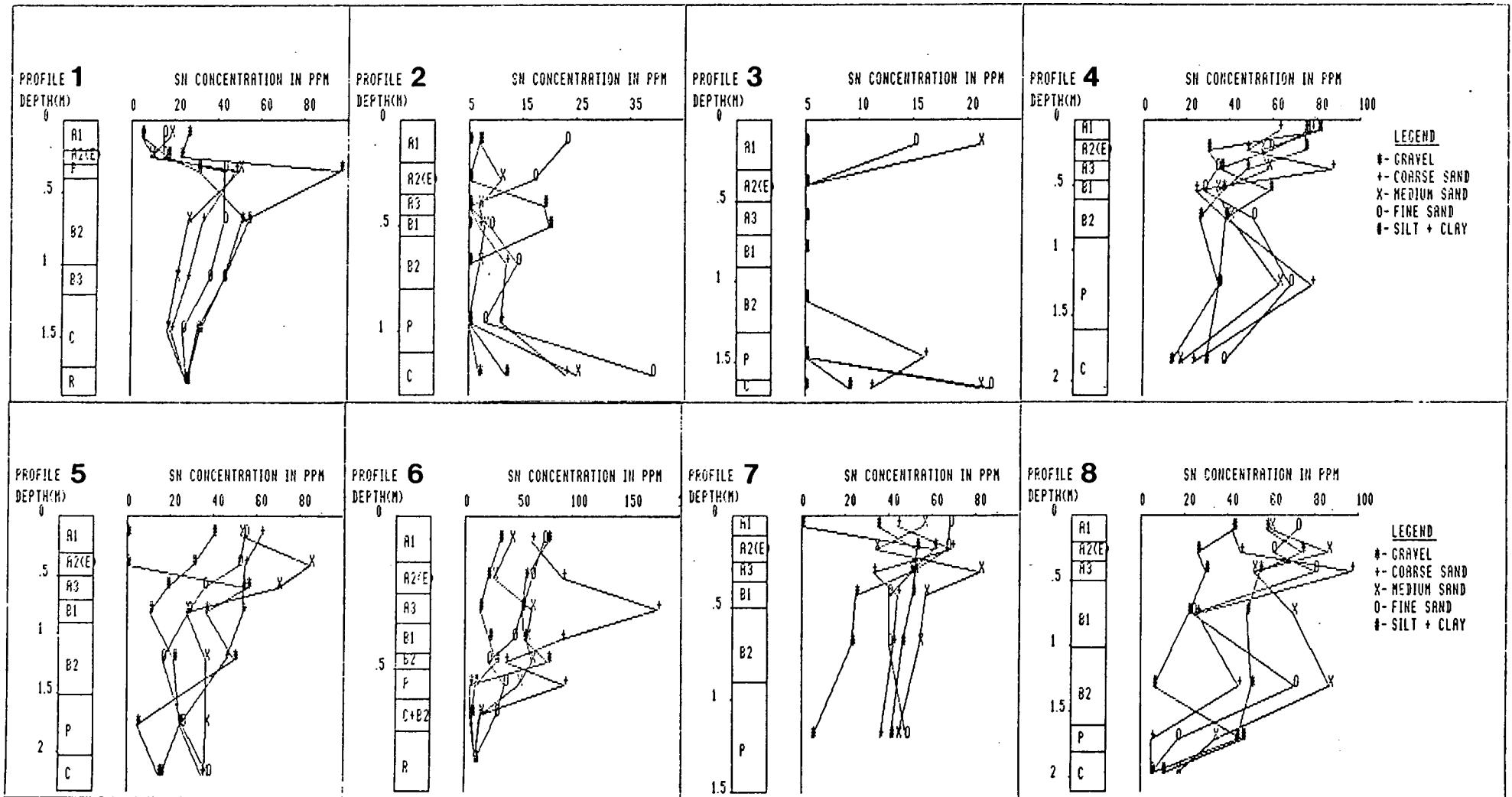


Figure 7-5: Distribution of Sn in size fractions in all 32 soil profiles.

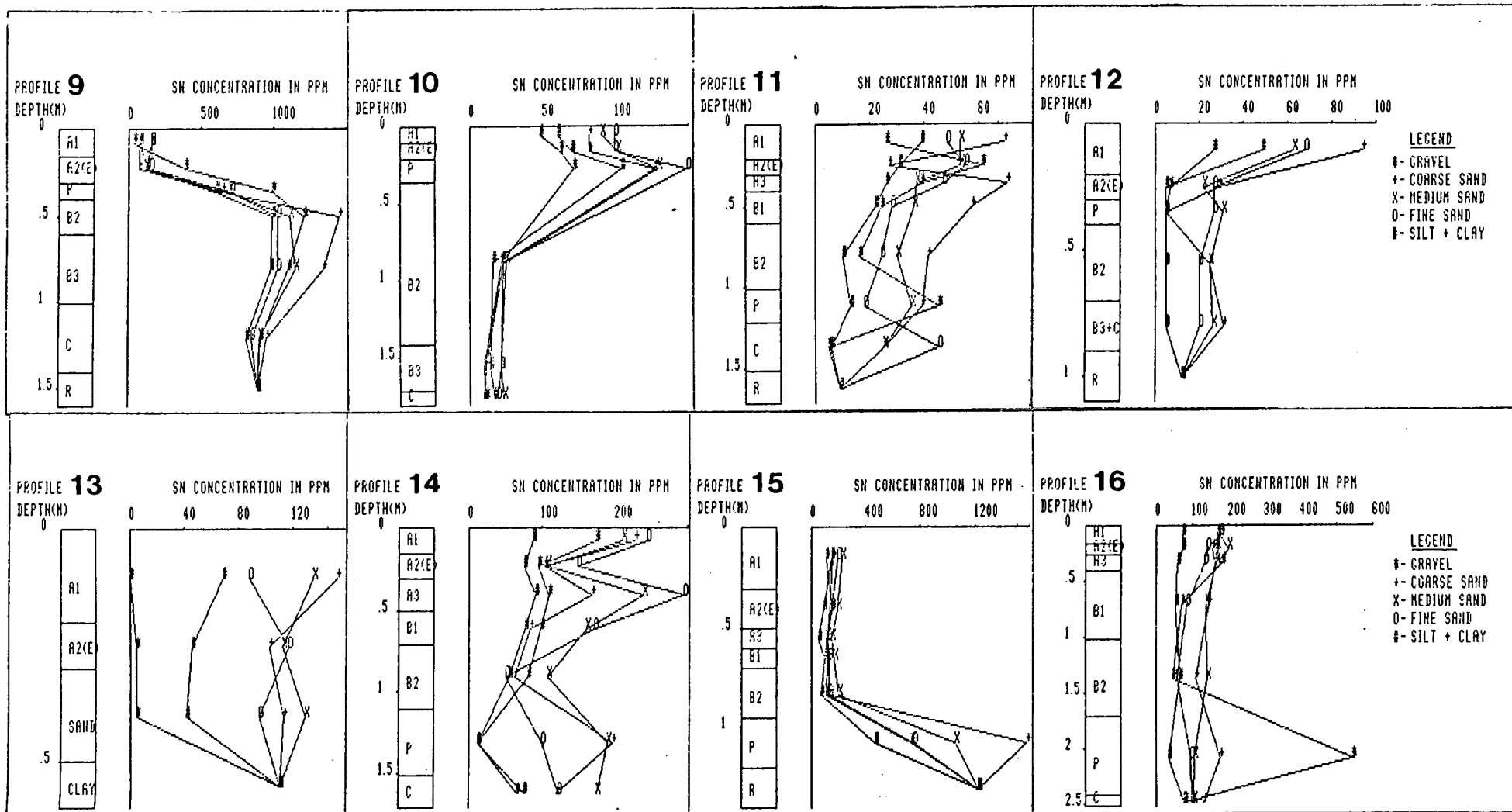


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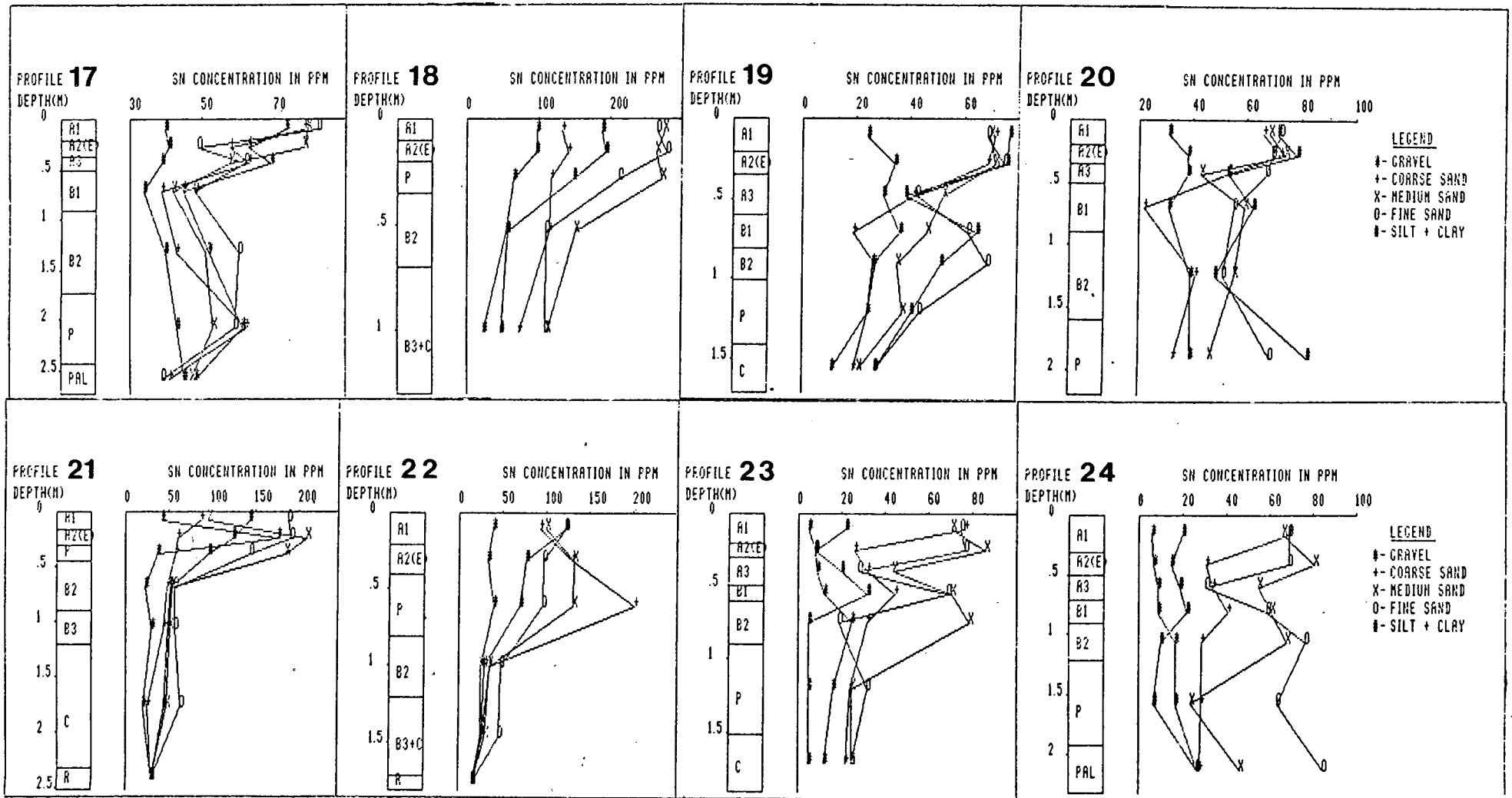


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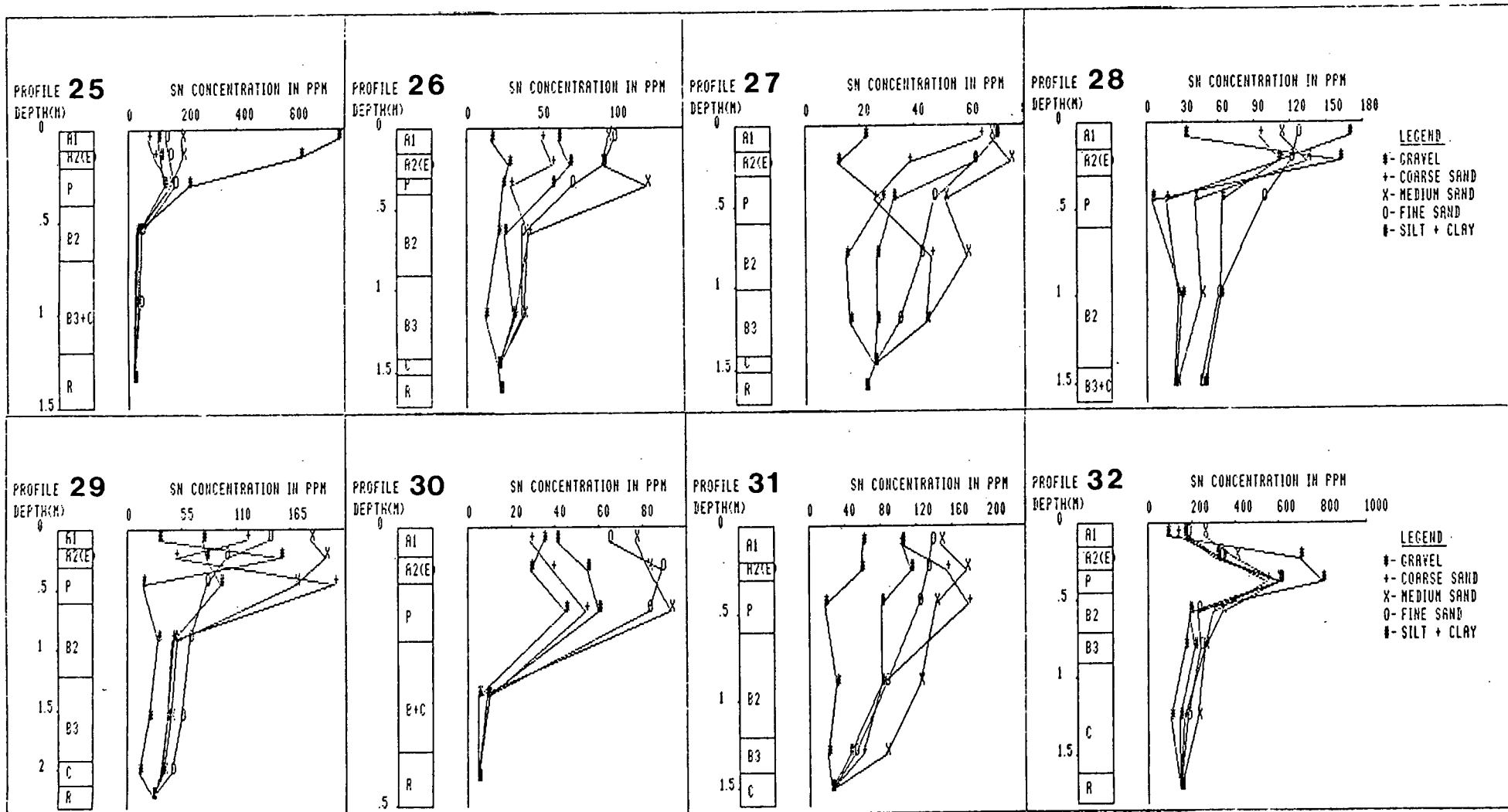


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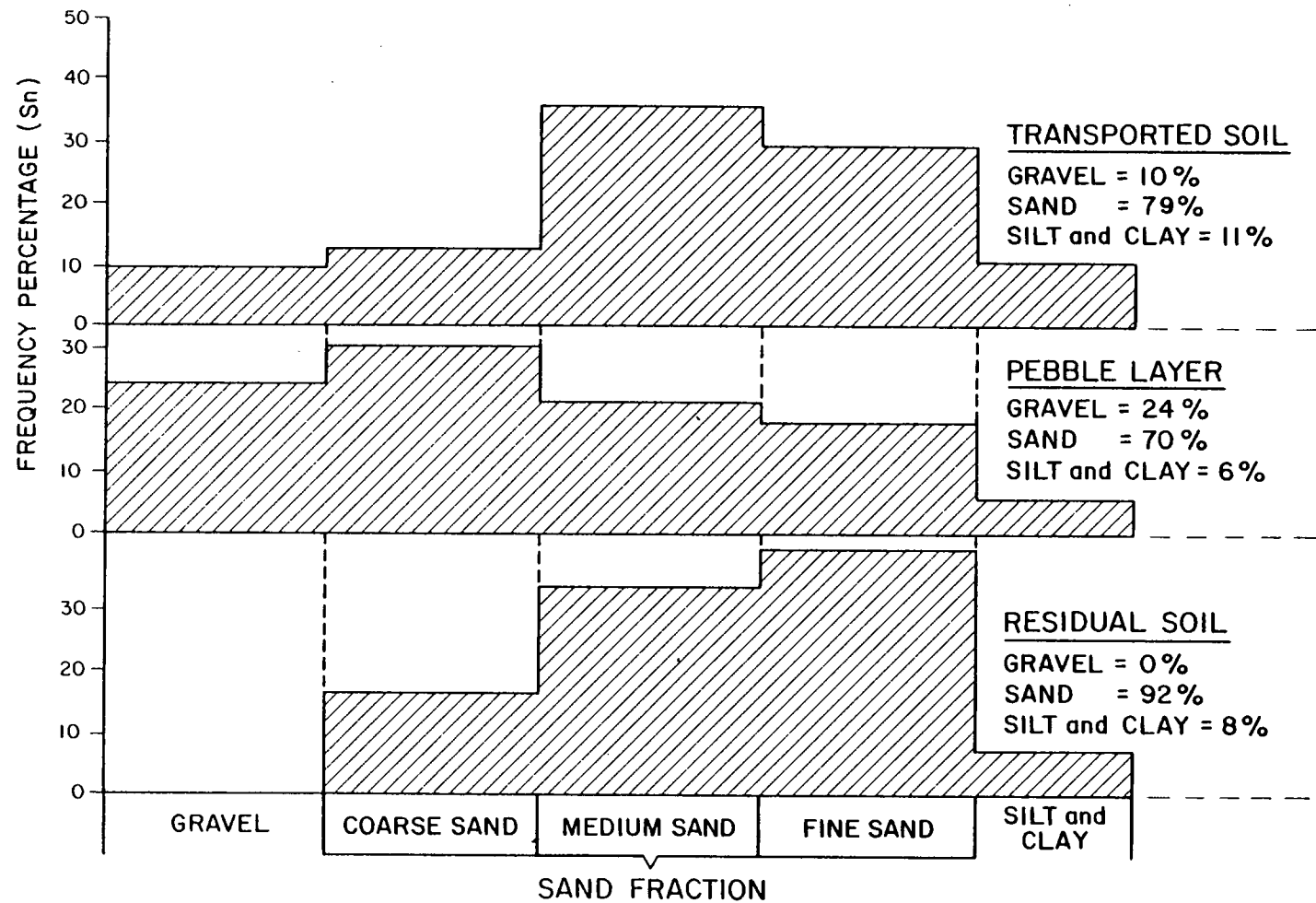


Figure 7-6: Grain-size distribution of cassiterite between fractions in the residual soil, pebble layer and transported soil (only the predominant size fraction for each zone is plotted).

the sand fraction may also be enriched in cassiterite.

The silt-clay fraction was the most sensitive in only two profiles and resulted from fine-grained cassiterite or sorbtion onto iron oxides and clay minerals. As a result the sand and silt-clay fraction together, should give a total coverage of all possible cassiterite deposits and are therefore recommended. Exclusion of the gravel fraction would minimise dilution and therefore overcome the analytical sensitivity problem in the determination of Sn.

Residual soils should be able to localise a mineralised zone accurately since it is still "in situ". During a broad pilot study the horizon sampled would not make any serious difference in determining mineralised areas but in a detail programme it would. For cassiterite the eluvial zones will be more optimal, but mixing of eluvial and illuvial horizons will have disastrous consequences.

The lower part of the C horizon which is the most continuous and in which eluvial enrichment of cassiterite has taken place and illuviation is minimal, would obviously be the best choice.

The **transported soil** above the pebble layer is marked by lower energy conditions causing size grading. This results in a large variation in the grain-size of cassiterite with the mode in the medium fractions (Fig. 7-6). The variation in the grain-size results from differences in sources, changes in energy conditions and comminution of cassiterite grains during transportation.

The minus 2 mm fraction includes approximately 90% of the predominant cassiterite fractions (Fig. 7-6). Fragments of greisen cause Sn enrichment in the gravel fraction (profile 25). A bulk sample of transported soils would include all cassiterite but might not show small anomalies well because of dilution.

Transported soils indicate regional geochemical anomalies but not localised ore. Distribution patterns in this case are extremely difficult to interpret because depositional conditions, directions of movement etc. have to be considered as well.

In restricted drainage areas the soil unit as a whole could be used to find directions of transportation depending on the cassiterite grain-size.

The **pebble layer** shows a variation in the depositional energy which is controlled by the topography. This causes a large variation in the grain-size distribution of cassiterite and is even more restrictive due to different sources, the depositional energy and the degree of comminution. The transported to residual soil ratio and the concentration of Sn in the transported and residual fractions respectively are just as important. More residual material is expected in the lower part of the pebble layer which would therefore give a better indication of the underlying rocks. Cassiterite is thus evenly distributed in all of the size fractions (Fig. 7-6).

A bulk sample from the lower part of the pebble layer would thus reflect all variations, but quartz dilution will cause poor results. The ratios of Sn concentrations between the lower part of the pebble layer and the residual soils could also be used for lateral tracing. When tracing against the direction of soil transportation, a >1 ratio indicates that the source is still further upstream whilst a <1 ratio means that the source has been passed. A cut-off point is expected above the source.

The gravel fraction in the pebble layer can contain large amounts of cassiterite (profiles 1, 16 and 25) mainly as coarse cassiterite which on the upper palaeo-slopes reflects the mineralised zone accurately and in some cases is the optimum sampling medium. The outwashed cassiterite which is redeposited on the lower palaeo-slopes reflects increased distances of transportation (Fig. 7-7) and a study of the grain-size distribution (population) of cassiterite on the palaeo-slope presents an excellent exploration technique. Every size fraction with its respective Sn concentration should thus be plotted on a histogram where cassiterite added from a new source would be recognised due to a different population trend. The size of the goethite pellets, containing sorbed Sn may influence the result to a lesser extent.

The pebble layer and especially the lower part is considered to be the most effective one for lateral tracing of cassiterite,

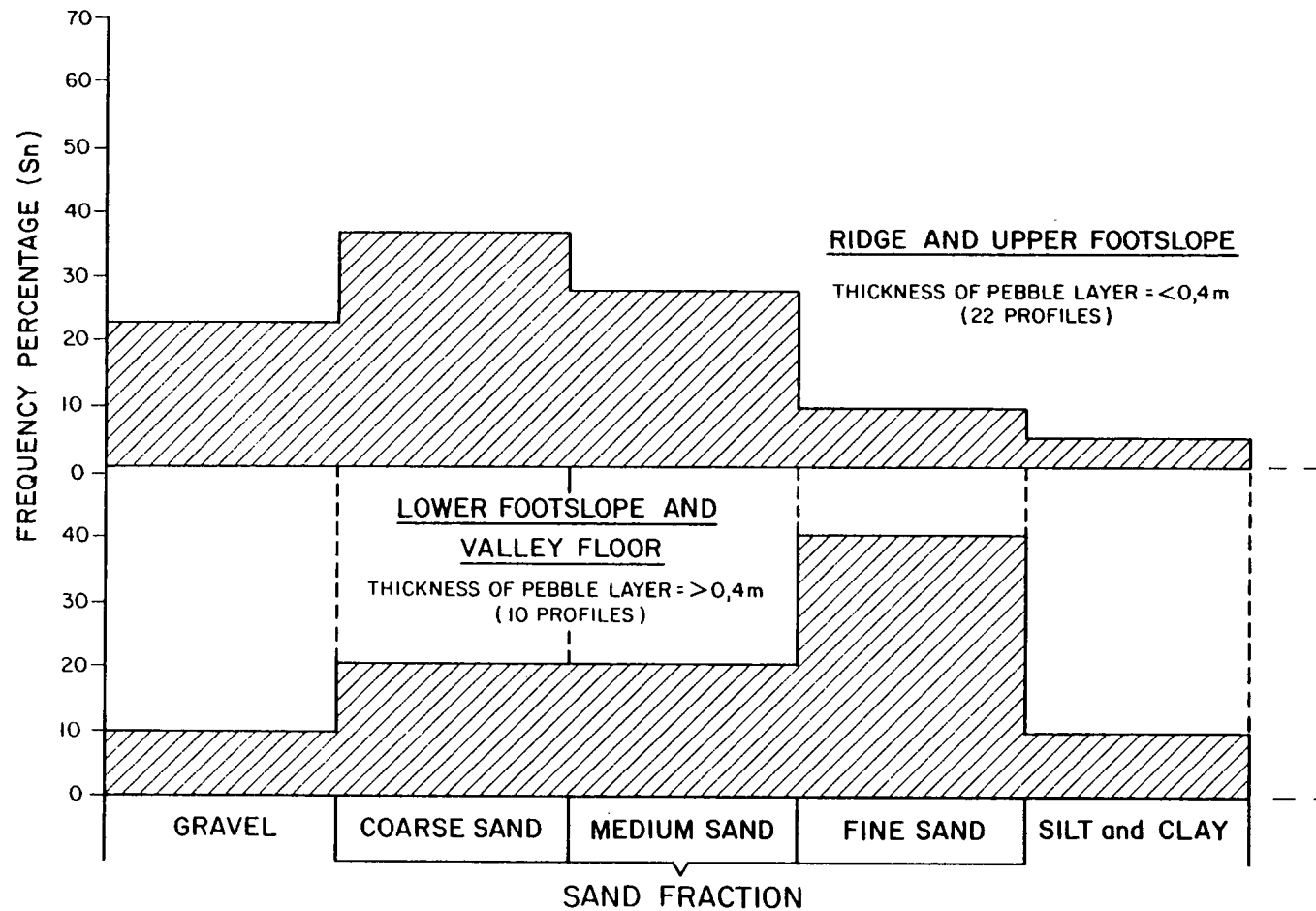


Figure 7-7: A comparison of the grain-size of cassiterite on the ridge and upper slopes with that on the foot slopes in the pebble layer (only the predominant size fraction is plotted).

provided that it is not underlain by palaeo-colluvium.

7.2.2.2 Copper

Because of the coherence of Cu with Fe in the oxidised zones (Fig. 7-8), it is expected that Cu-enrichment always takes place in Fe-rich zones. This type of enrichment could be non-significant or significant depending on the relative sorptive capacity of the Fe-oxides. The latter obviously depends on the type of Fe-oxide phase, its size, shape and genesis.

The raw data (Appendix A) shows that Cu and Fe are strongly enriched in the silt-clay fraction in most horizons and occasionally in the gravel fraction. In the gravel fraction, enrichment is due to goethite pellets on which Cu is sorbed (Table 7-2). Correlation diagrams in Appendix F, show that a linear correlation between Cu and Fe^{+3} (total Fe as Fe_2O_3) exists in the sand and silt-clay fractions, indicating that the Cu content in a specific soil fraction under oxidising conditions is a function of the Fe^{3+} content.

It is thus clear that the use of Cu in any size fraction of any horizon is dependent on the ability to distinguish significant and non-significant anomalies. One approach could be to assume that Fe-oxides have a constant sorptive capacity for Cu. By correcting the Cu concentration for the Fe_2O_3 (total Fe as Fe_2O_3) content after an empirical Cu-sorption factor has been calculated, a residual Cu anomaly would then indicate true Cu enrichment above background.

The correlation diagrams (Appendix F) show that the Fe/Cu ratio and therefore also the Cu-sorptive capacity of total iron as Fe_2O_3 varies in different zones and also between soil fractions in a specific zone. The higher cut-off value (background) for Fe_2O_3 in the fines (Appendix F) causes a lower Fe/Cu ratio and a higher Cu-sorptive capacity and vice versa in the coarse fractions.

In Fig. 7-9 the amount of Fe_2O_3 (total Fe as Fe_2O_3) associated with a specific amount of Cu (e.g. 10, 20 and 35 ppm) in the different size fractions of different soil horizons are plotted.

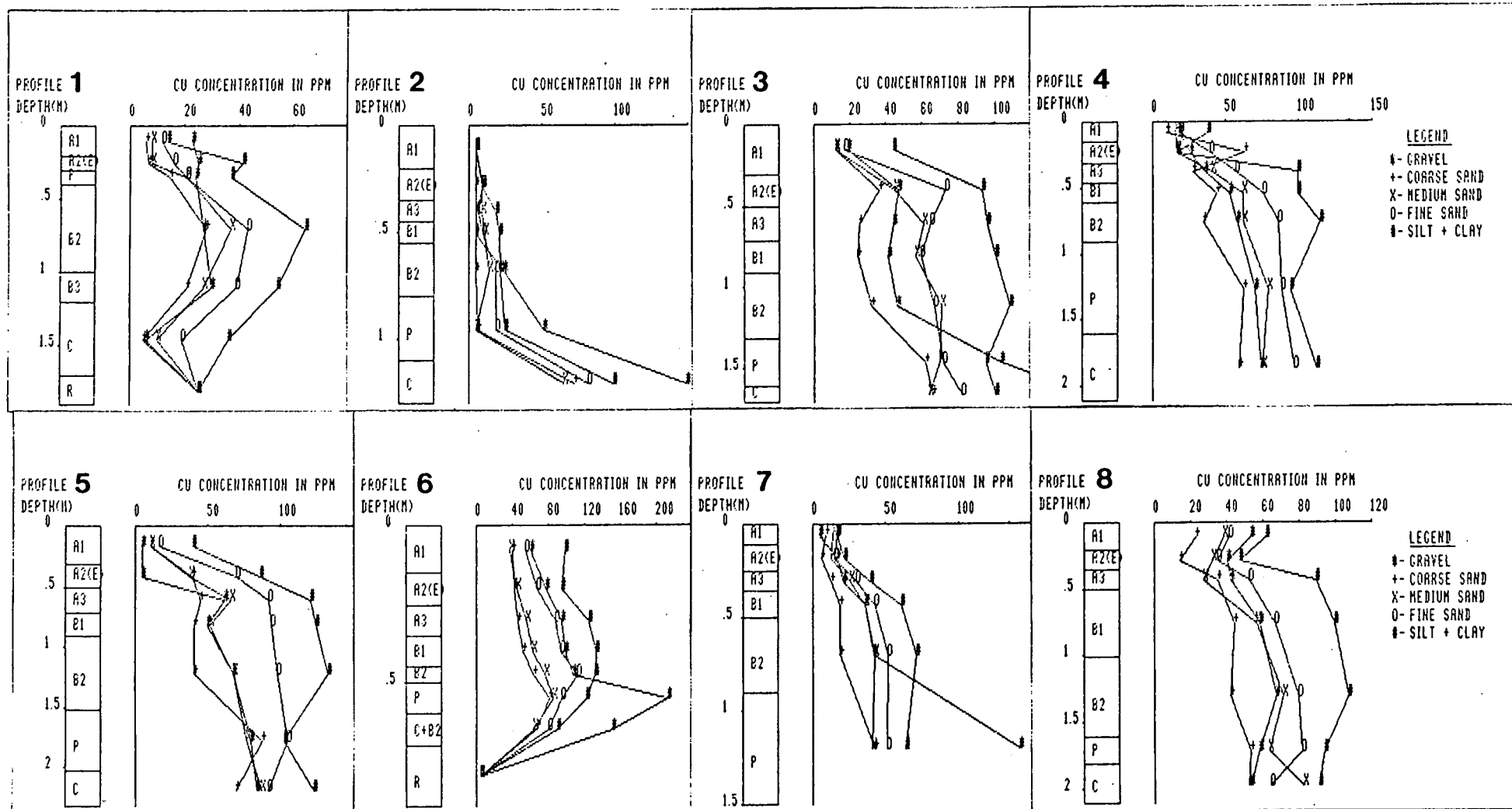


Figure 7-8: Distribution of Cu in size fractions in all 32 soil profiles.

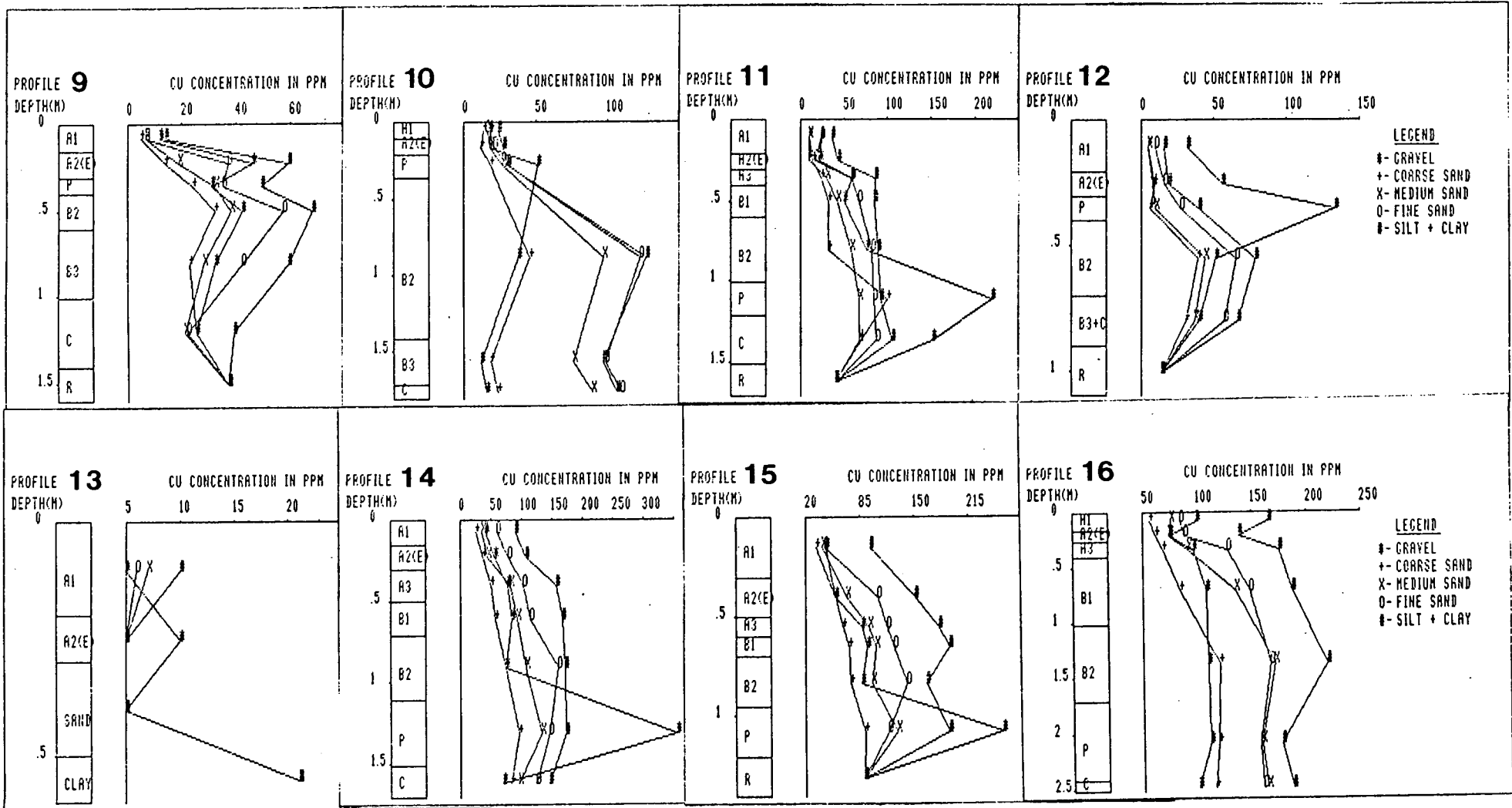


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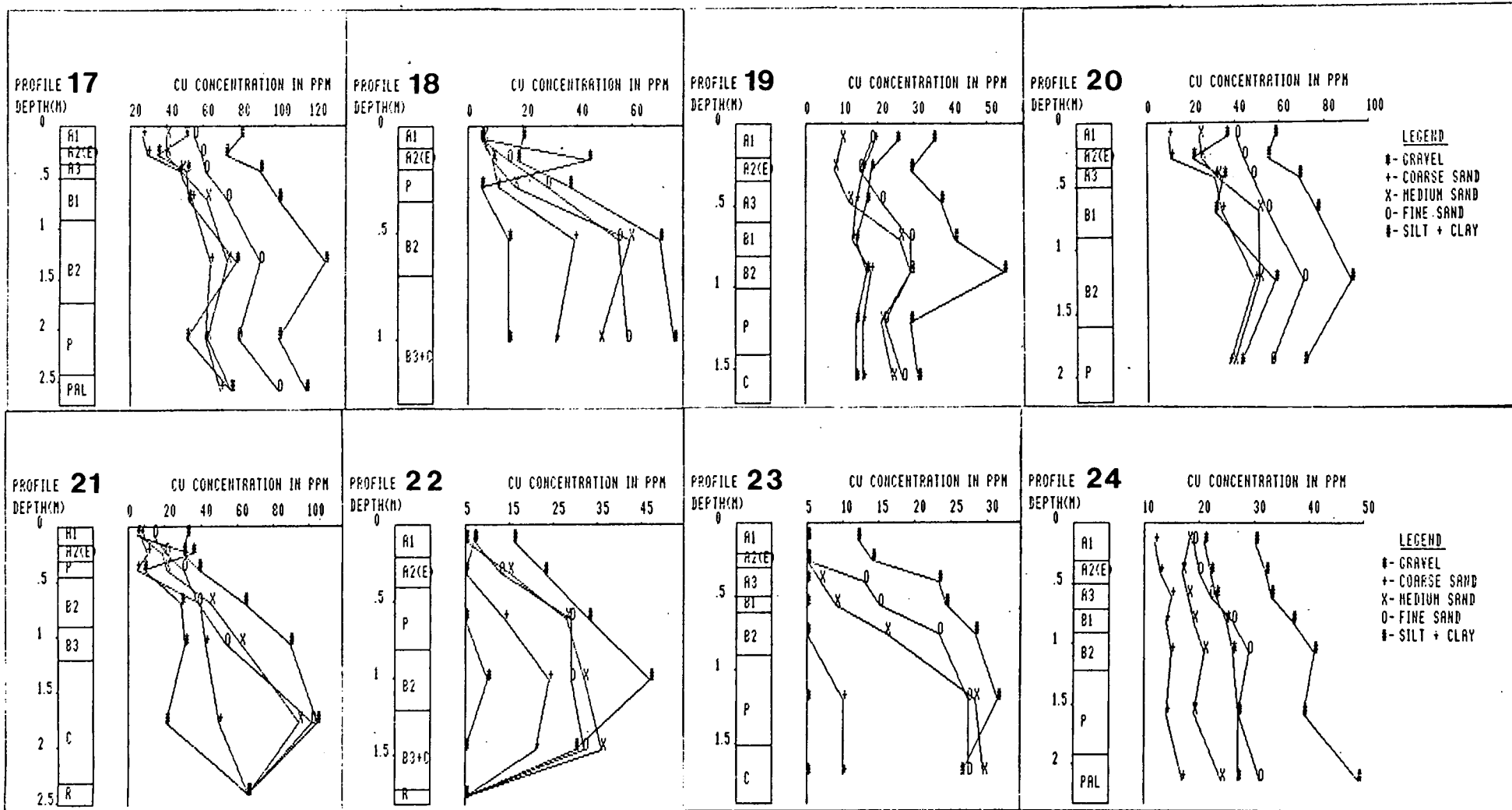


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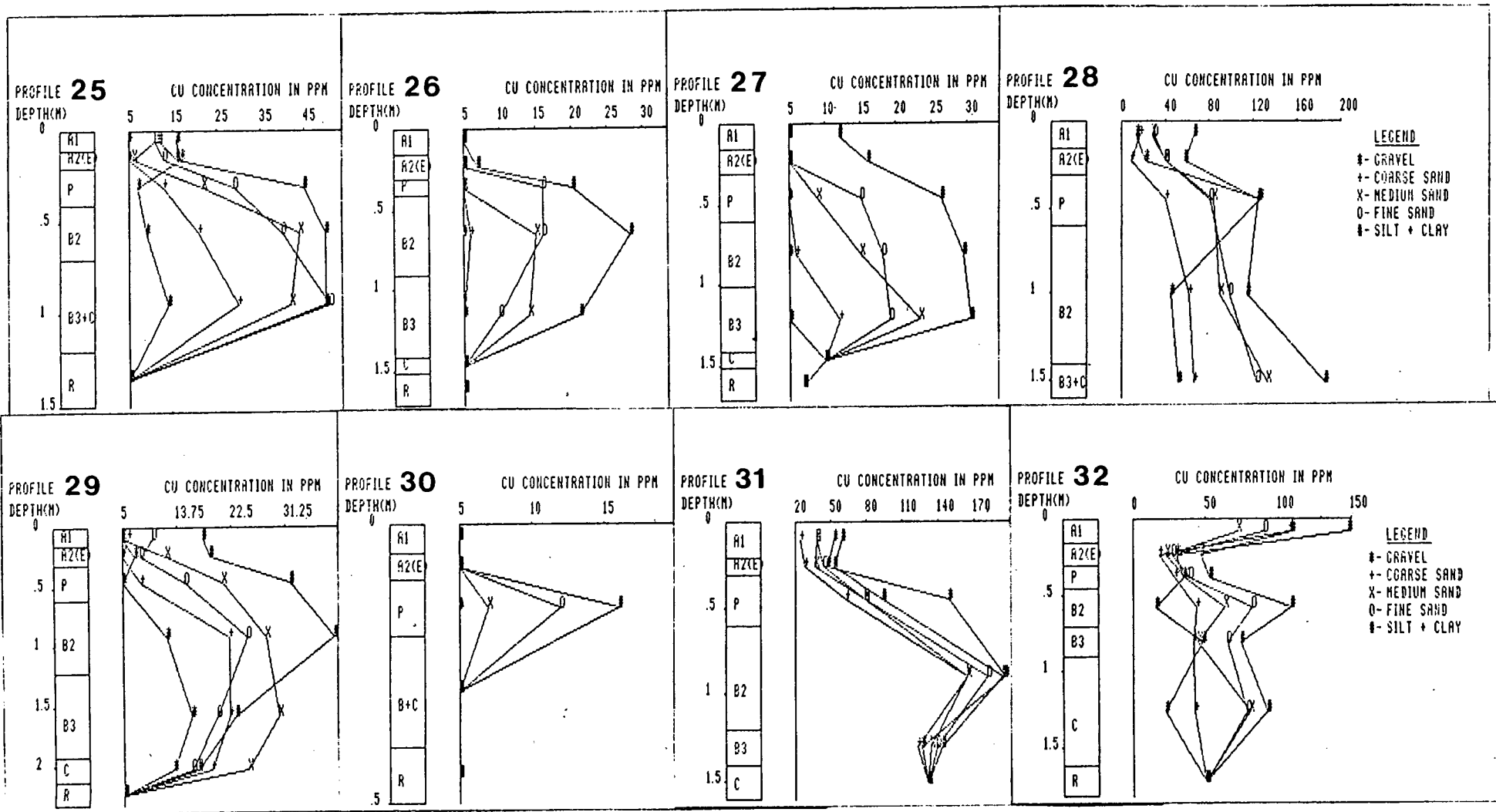
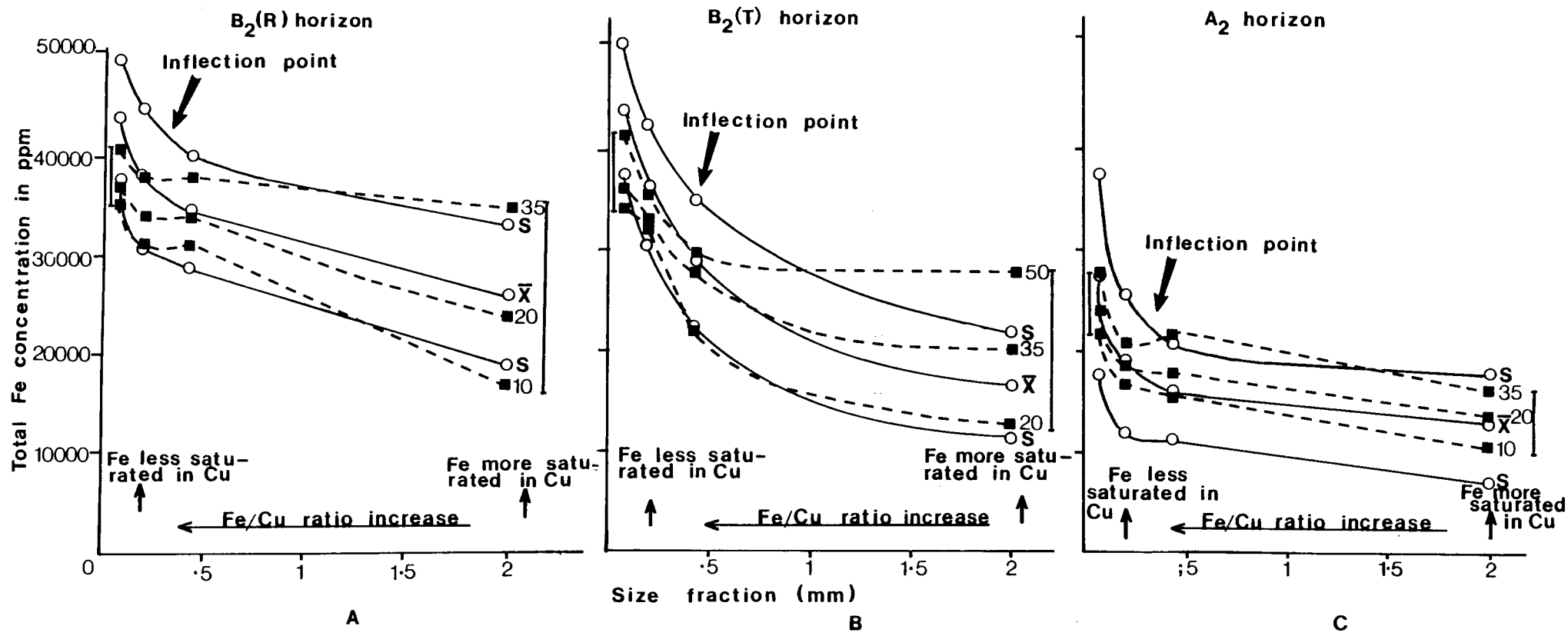


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LEGEND

- ppm Cu
- Total ppm Fe (S, X̄)
- S Standard deviation
- X̄ Mean
- ← Total Fe required for a fixed amount of Cu

Figure 7-9: Diagram showing the varying relationship between available Fe (total Fe as Fe₂O₃) and fixed amounts of Cu between fractions in A) the B₂(R) horizon, B) the B₂(T) horizon and C) the A₂ horizon.

Simultaneously the mean and standard deviation of the Fe_2O_3 concentration in each size fraction are also plotted indicating the expected field of Fe_2O_3 variation. The increase in Fe_2O_3 relative to the Cu content in the finer fractions is evident, suggesting saturation of Cu in the coarse fractions and under-saturation in the finer fractions.

According to these diagrams it is clear that the Fe-sorptive capacity for Cu is lower in the coarse than in the fine fractions. This could be due to the finer particle size of the Fe_2O_3 particles in the finer fractions (Mason, 1966) or the Fe-oxide phase, its shape and genesis. The Fe-oxides in the coarser sand fractions therefore have lower sorptive capacities and are more Cu-saturated than in the finer fractions. The inflection points representing a change in the sorptive capacity in the finer fractions is probably the result of such a major change in the Fe oxide phase.

The Fe_2O_3 distribution pattern in the different size fractions of the three selected horizons varies markedly, showing a more intense inflection in the finer grained material of the eluviated A_2 horizon than in the illuviated B_2 horizon (Fig. 7-9). In particular the coarser fractions of the three horizons a decrease in the Fe_2O_3 content is noticed from the B_2 horizon to the A_2 horizon which justifies some discussion.

Zones of illuviation show a gentle logarithmic increase in the Fe_2O_3 content from the coarse to the finer fractions. The extremes in the $B_2(T)$ horizon (i.e. Fe_2O_3 strongly enriched in the silt-clay fraction but also strongly depleted in the coarse fraction) is the result of strong leaching conditions followed by the reprecipitation of iron oxides and clay minerals at a later stage. In the $B_2(R)$ horizon strong leaching conditions were absent and therefore the coarse fraction still contains high concentrations of Fe_2O_3 .

In the eluvial zone Fe_2O_3 increases very slightly from the coarse to the fine sand fractions, whilst the increase is considerable to the silt-clay fraction, especially at low concentrations. This results from the strong leaching in this part of the soil profile.

An investigation of the size fractions showed the following:

In the gravel fraction of the transported soils and the pebble layer, Fe-oxides are mainly present as goethite pellets and as coatings on the surfaces of mineral grains. In the residual soils the weathered feldspar contains iron oxides as coatings whilst goethite pellets are scarce.

In the sand fractions in the illuvial zones of transported soils the Fe-oxides form oolitic Fe-nodules and Fe_2O_3 coatings on mineral grains. The residual soils contain less Fe-coatings on minerals and more Fe-bearing weathered silicate minerals. Oolitic Fe-bearing nodules and ferruginised clay minerals increase from the coarse to the finer sand fractions, but are dependent on the effects of eluviation and illuviation in a specific zone.

In the silt-clay fraction Fe-oolitic nodules and encrustations on clay minerals are common. Coatings of Fe-oxide on resistant minerals were also observed.

Under leaching conditions Fe-encrustations are scarce whilst the available Fe concentrates in oolitic nodules and clay in the silt-clay fraction. This explains why less Fe_2O_3 is available in the sand fractions of the highly leached zones.

It is clear that both the concentration and manner in which the Fe-oxides occur, influence the Cu-sorption between fractions, although within the same fraction in the same zone it is fairly constant. By plotting the $(\bar{X}+S)$, \bar{X} and $(\bar{X}-S)$ of the Fe_2O_3 (total Fe as Fe_2O_3) concentration against those of the Cu concentrations in the sand and silt-clay fractions in all the soil horizons (Fig. 7-10), the approximate sorptive capacity for Cu for each zone can be determined, reflecting the weathering conditions.

Both Fe and Cu are depleted in the eluviated zones but enrichment of Cu relative to the Fe_2O_3 in the A_1 horizon (especially in the coarser fractions) may also result from the sorption of Cu on organic constituents (Boyle and Dass, 1967).

The increase in the Cu-sorption from the coarse to the fine fractions, is pronounced in the eluvial zones and less

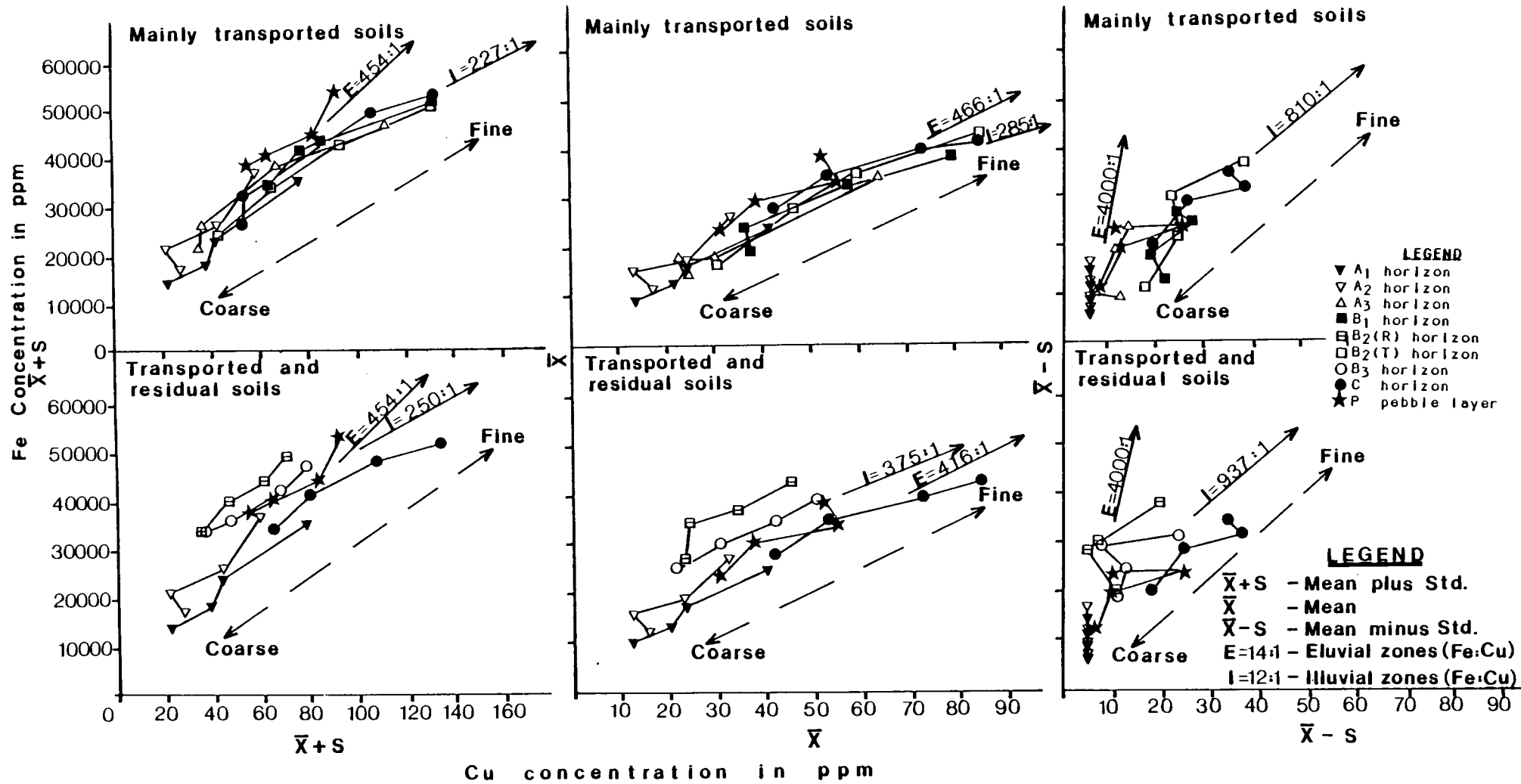


Figure 7-10: Diagram showing the varying Fe_2O_3/Cu relationship (sorptive capacity) between fractions for each horizon and eluvial and illuvial zones in general, using the mean and standard deviations (total Fe as Fe_2O_3).

so in the illuvial zones (Fig. 7-10). Leaching in the eluvial zones therefore caused more Cu enrichment with respect to Fe_2O_3 due to the fact that Fe_2O_3 -coated mineral grains in the coarser fractions are more Cu-saturated, especially at low Fe_2O_3 concentrations. The higher the Fe_2O_3 content in a zone the more Cu-undersaturated the soils become.

The Cu is also enriched relative to the Fe_2O_3 in the illuvial zones of the transported soils compared to those of the residual soils (Fig. 7-10). The sorptive capacity is also higher in the illuvial zones of the transported soils than of the residual soils. This is probably a result of the fact that more Cu is available in the transported than in the residual material.

It is evident from the discussion above that a better understanding of the Fe_2O_3 and Cu relationships and the factors controlling them are essential to enable an accurate evaluation of the data. After correcting the Cu concentrations against the relative sorptive capacities of Fe_2O_3 for Cu, the excess Cu concentrations were plotted for the different size fractions against the individual horizons of 6 selected profiles in which Cu enrichment was expected (Fig. 7-11).

From the plots it is obvious that the gravel fraction shows strong but variable enrichment patterns in the transported soils and particularly in the pebble layer. The amount of goethite pellets could thus have influenced the excess amounts of Cu.

In order to minimise the effect of the sorptive capacity of Fe for Cu, individual goethite pellets can be selected from a specific horizon for Cu analysis. The sensitivity of these pellets for chalcophile and siderophile elements have been observed by Mazzuchelli and James (1966) and could thus provide an excellent sampling medium.

Of the other soil fractions, the silt-clay fraction is the most sensitive indicator of anomalous enrichment, but in the B_2 horizon in the transported soils the silt-clay fraction is strongly depleted and hence not a suitable horizon. Leaching followed by precipitation in the $B_2(T)$ horizon is expected to be the reason for the latter.

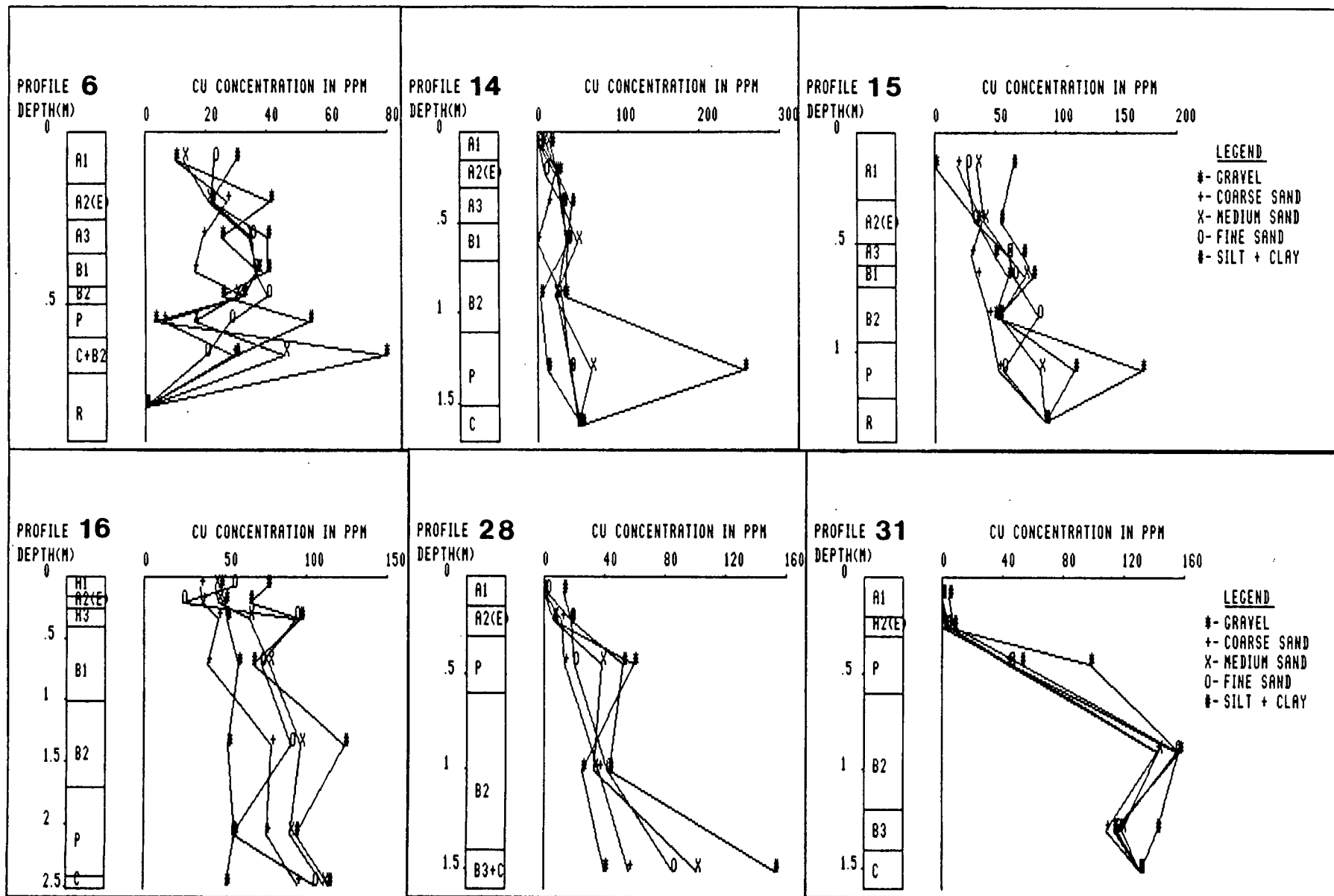


Figure 7-11: Diagram showing the distribution of Cu corrected for Fe₂O₃ (total Fe as Fe₂O₃) in the size fractions of 6 profiles.

The actual Fe-concentrations for each fraction in the horizons of profile 14 plotted against the calculated mean and standard deviations for total Fe as Fe_2O_3 in that horizon (Fig. 7-12) prove the latter. Fig. 7-12 shows that the deviation is a result of Fe_2O_3 ratios between fractions that deviate from the calculated. The more Cu-undersaturated fine fractions (especially in the illuvial zones) are, the more vulnerable they are to over or under compensation which then results in abnormalities.

The more Cu-saturated coarser fractions are less affected by enrichments due to redeposition. The expected Fe-concentrations for the finer fractions in a specific horizon can thus be interpolated from the coarse fractions, parallel to the calculated ratios used for Fe_2O_3 compensation. If the over or under compensation is then corrected, using the interpolated Fe_2O_3 value, the silt-clay fraction is also the most sensitive parameter in the $B_2(T)$ horizon (Fig. 7-12). Such over and under compensations in the silt-clay fraction is, however, only expected in the zones where strong irregular Fe_2O_3 enrichment took place between fractions after leaching, such as the illuvial zones occurring in the transported soils.

Depletion of Cu in the fine sand fraction of the eluvial zones also results from irregular leaching conditions causing disequilibrium in the Fe_2O_3 ratios. Under leaching conditions the oolitic Fe-nodules and the Fe_2O_3 rich clay particles are concentrated in the silt-clay fraction. When the fine sand fraction is enriched in chemically precipitated Fe_2O_3 , due to weaker leaching conditions, disequilibrium is reached resulting in similar deviations. If Cu is then normalised for Fe_2O_3 , assuming the latter to be due to coatings, whilst oolitic nodules and ferruginised clay particles occur, over compensation results. The fine fraction is thus the easiest effected by eluviation and illuviation, causing disequilibrium.

Corrections for all the zones in profiles 14 and 31 (Fig. 7-13) indicate that the silt-clay fraction is always the most sensitive soil sampling parameter, if the Fe_2O_3 is absolutely compensated for. This will apply in the **residual** and **transported soil** as well as the **pebble layer**.

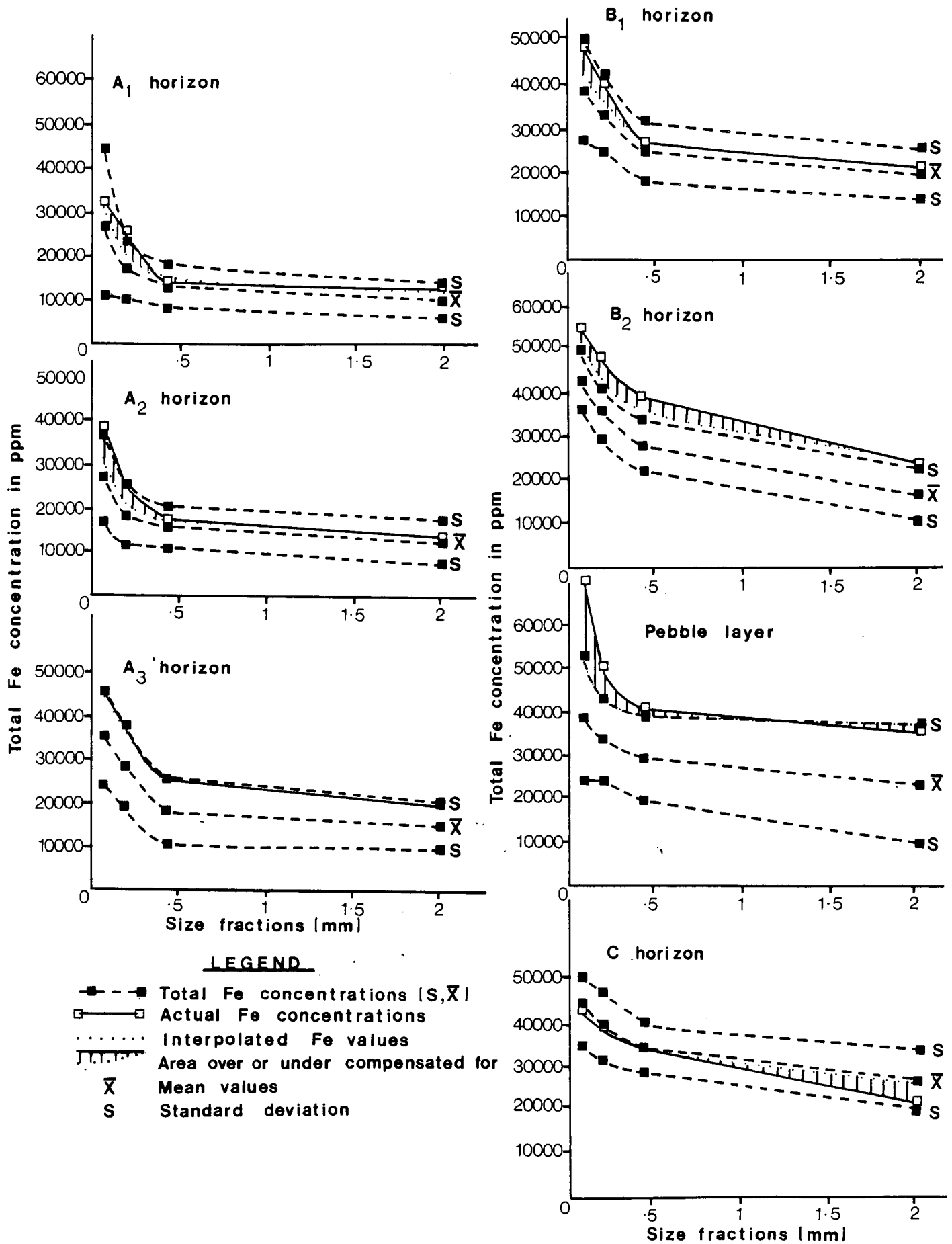


Figure 7-12: Diagram showing some over and under compensations for Fe₂O₃ in the horizons of profile 14 using the calculated sorptive capacities (total Fe as Fe₂O₃).

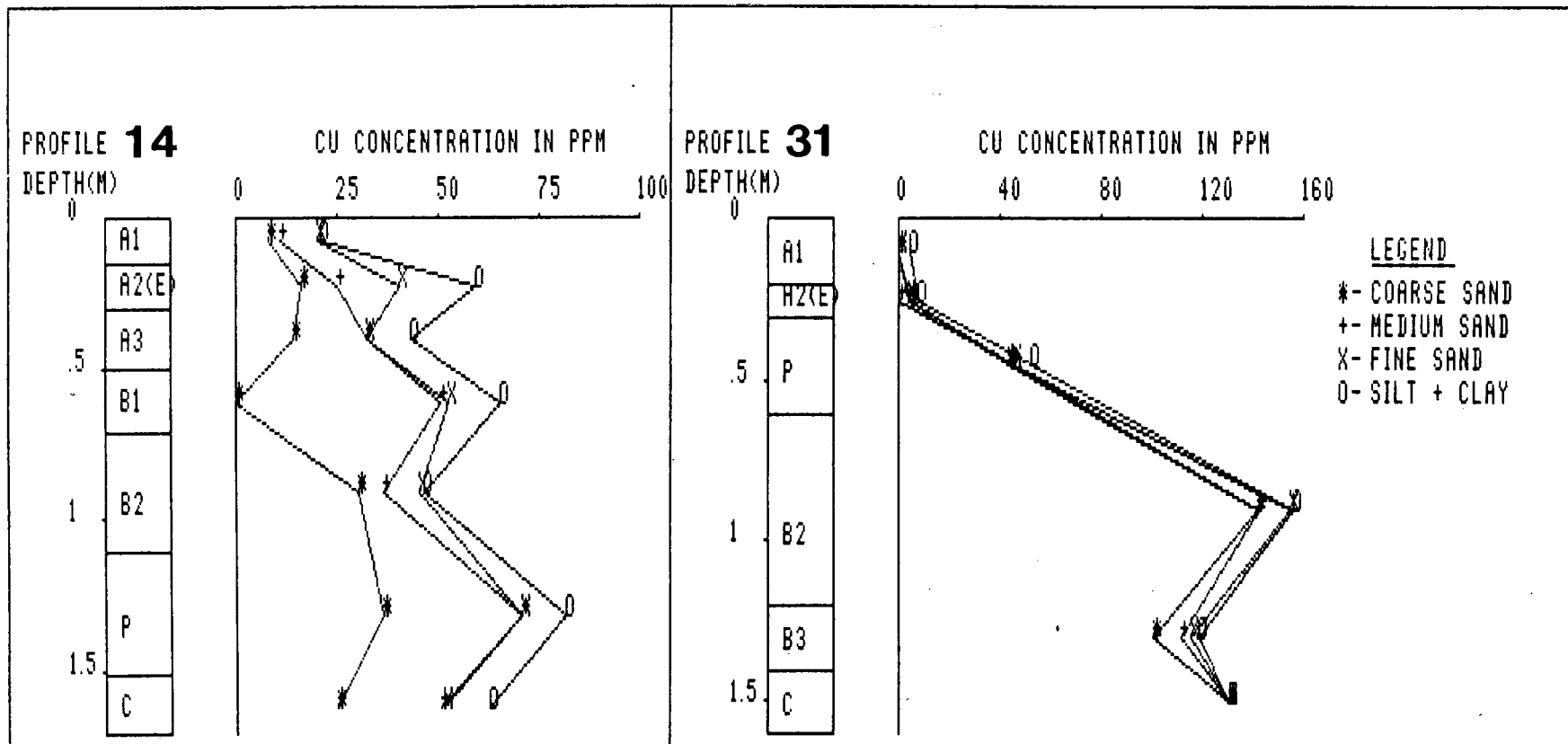


Figure 7-13: Diagram showing the distribution of Cu absolutely corrected for Fe_2O_3 (total Fe as Fe_2O_3) in the size fractions of profiles 14 and 31.

Whilst it is possible to use the silt-clay fraction in an exploration programme, Fe-rich oolites could also be used effectively, especially in the pebble layer but possibly also in all other zones. Since Fe accretion in oolites is controlled by rather restricted chemical and mineralogical parameters, it is expected that the sorptive capacity for Cu would vary within rather strict limits.

In the residual soils overlying Cu-mineralisation (profile 31), the B₂(R) horizon is the most sensitive with the C horizon the second best. Enrichments of Cu in the B₃ and C horizon of profile 28 could result from lateral Cu enrichment due to the lateral moving groundwater from the Cu-bearing pegmatite veins, slightly upstream at profile 31. Lateral enrichment is the most confusing and difficult factor to evaluate if Cu is used in exploration. In profile 6 a false Cu anomaly is obtained due to these influences.

Therefore, if Cu is used laterally, a continuous zone in the residual soils is preferred. The zone of maximum lateral movement of groundwater (lower part of the C horizon) appears to be a useful parameter in tracing an ore-body on a lateral scale and also for locating the ore. The C horizon is usually the only continuous zone and allows anomalous Cu values to be traced upstream. It is essential to use the lower part of the C horizon because relicts of the mottled and pallid zones are still expected in the upper parts of the C horizon on the middle and footslopes (Fig. 3-12).

In transported soils Cu-enrichment is almost purely a result of lateral redistribution (profile 31). The irregular Cu-enrichment between fractions in transported soils complicates the interpretation of data considerably. The A₁ horizon gives the most consistent results, even if it is not the most sensitive. This is probably due to Cu adsorbed on organic material (Boyle and Dass, 1967).

In the pebble layer the goethite pellets offer the best alternative as a lateral tracer but the silt-clay fraction could also be used from this zone.

7.2.2.3 Molybdenum

Molybdenum is chalcophile or siderophile (Levinson, 1980) and mobile as the MoO_4^{2-} -ion in oxidising, alkaline environments. It also correlates positively with Fe in the same fractions from the individual horizons. It is enriched in the gravel fraction showing an affinity for goethite. Ferrimolybdate is the likely host mineral phase in the goethite pellets, where the Fe^{3+} is inclined to restrict its mobility (Levinson, 1980). The concentration levels of Mo are so small that no correction for Fe_2O_3 is necessary and any Mo value obtained is anomalous.

The silt-clay fraction is a sensitive parameter for Mo-enrichment (Fig. 7-14), but if goethite pellets are present in the gravel fraction (profiles 9 and 11), this is the most sensitive fraction. A disadvantage is, however, the irregular distribution of the goethite pellets. The silt-clay fraction which is always present, is therefore the most universally applied.

The ferruginous B_2 horizons appear to be the most sensitive ones to use in the residual soils (profile 12). In most of the profiles, however, a B horizon is not present, making it less applicable. Enrichment of Mo in the C horizon of profile 9 is probably the result of lateral enrichment due to the movement of groundwater. For both lateral tracing and positional determination of mineralised zones, the lower part of the C horizon therefore is the most reliable sampling medium.

Transported soil is a poor sampling medium for Mo exploration. Enrichment is only present in the gravel fraction of profile 12. In the pebble layer (particularly the lower part) the sampling of goethite pellets allows a sensitive means of tracing mineralisation. This is the only zone in which goethite pellets are always present and consequently a reliable sampling medium.

7.2.2.4 Cobalt, nickel, zinc and lead

Cobalt, Ni, Zn and Pb behave the same as Cu and Mo in the soil profiles (Appendix G). It is thus expected that the parameters used for Cu and Mo should be applicable in the same horizons and fractions for these elements.

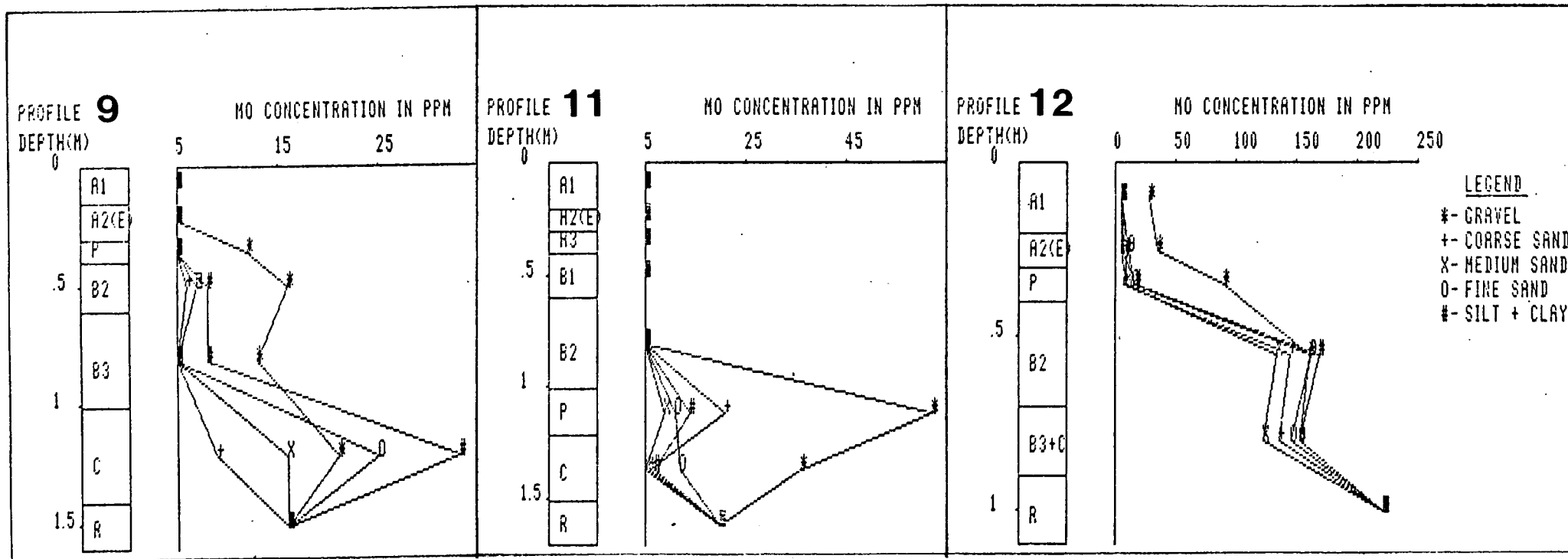


Figure 7-14: Diagram showing the distribution of Mo in the size fractions in profiles 9, 11 and 12.

Enrichment of Pb in the medium and fine sand fractions (profile 27) is probably the result of relatively stable cerussite or anglesite, in the soils. A sand plus silt-clay fraction can thus be considered in this case.

7.2.2.5 Lithophile elements

Rubidium, Sr and Ba which occur in nonresistant silicate minerals exhibit high mobilities during weathering and the clay minerals control the fixation of these elements. The highest concentrations are thus obtained in the silt-clay fraction where these elements are adsorbed on the clay minerals (Appendix G).

Since Rb is known to increase while Ba and Sr decrease with differentiation, the Rb/Sr or Rb/Ba ratios could be applied to establish the degree of differentiation of the bedrock. The Sr/Rb ratios show that Sr is more mobile than Rb and almost completely leached from the soils (Appendix G). The Sr/Rb ratio increases to the upper residual horizons. This is due to the fact that leaching of Rb is still active in these zones whereas Sr has been completely leached.

The Ba/Rb ratios (Appendix G) indicate that Ba and Rb are more in equilibrium, with the Ba being more mobile than Rb in the lower residual horizons, especially at high Ba concentrations (profiles 12, 21 and 26).

Considering the extremely high mobilities achieved by these elements, the lower part of the C horizon may give an indication of the differentiated zone in the bedrock. Comparing Rb, Sr and Ba values in a profile above the Makhutso Granite (profile 19) with one above highly differentiated granite (profile 9), the silt-clay fraction proved to be sensitive to enrichment and depletion (Fig. 7-15). The silt-clay fraction is enriched in Rb and depleted in Sr and Ba in the C horizon over the highly differentiated granite, compared to the less differentiated rocks. Optimum results for both Rb, Sr and Ba can therefore be obtained by using the silt-clay fraction in the lower part of the C horizon.

Similar behaviour patterns are shown by Y, Nb and Th. However,

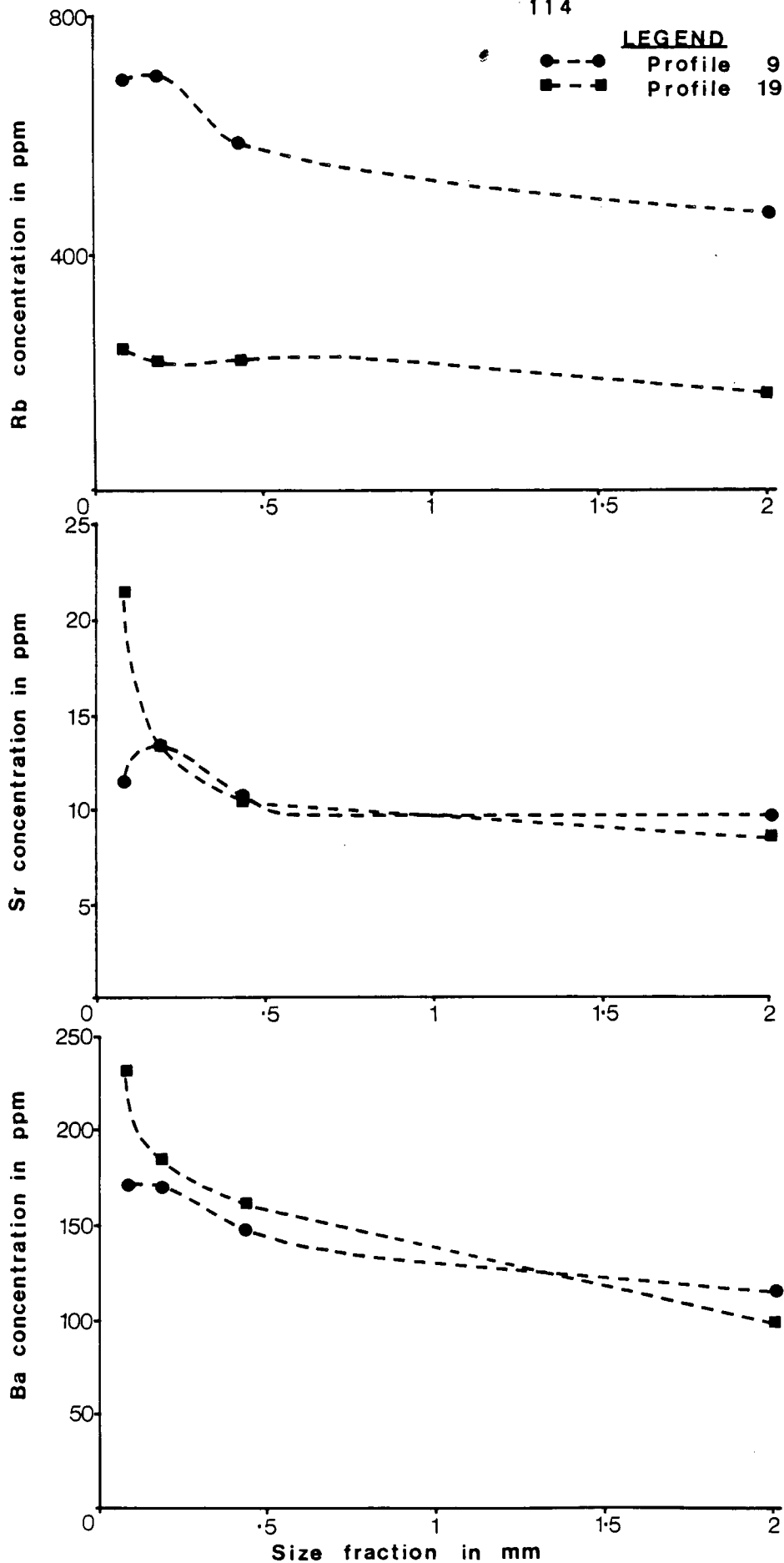


Figure 7-15: Diagram showing the relative enrichments and depletions for Rb, Sr and Ba in each size fraction between mineralised (profile 9) and unmineralised (profile 19) areas.

where these elements are also captured in resistant minerals, different distribution patterns are observed. Because of their inconsistent behaviour these elements are ignored for any further exploration purposes.

7.2.2.6 Elements associated with resistant minerals

Zirconium and Ti predominantly remain in resistant minerals (mainly zircon and ilmenite) and are enriched in the silt-clay fraction (Appendix G). Because cassiterite tends to be coarser than the zircon and ilmenite, it is inclined to be concentrated in any fraction.

Both Zr and Ti behave exactly the same as Sn in the profiles, except for the fact that they are concentrated in the silt-clay fraction. Lateral distribution of these elements are therefore not affected as seriously by variations in the energy conditions during redistribution.

The recommended horizons for sampling these elements are the lower part of the C horizon for positional determination and the pebble layer and possibly the A₁ horizon for lateral tracing. Fig. 7-16 shows that a general enrichment of both Zr and Ti occurs in the C horizon of a soil profile (11) above aplitic granites, compared to a profile (6) above a greisen lode which is generally depleted of these elements. The maximum enrichment is observed in the silt-clay fraction.

Because the C horizon shows the maximum enrichment pattern, it is recommended that this horizon be considered when investigating the distribution of the above elements.

Leachable P, V, Mn and U which are often associated with resistant minerals are also preferably fixed to iron oxides when leached. The inconsistent relationships of these elements with Fe₂O₃ in the profiles studied, excludes them for use in exploration even after corrections for Fe₂O₃ are made.

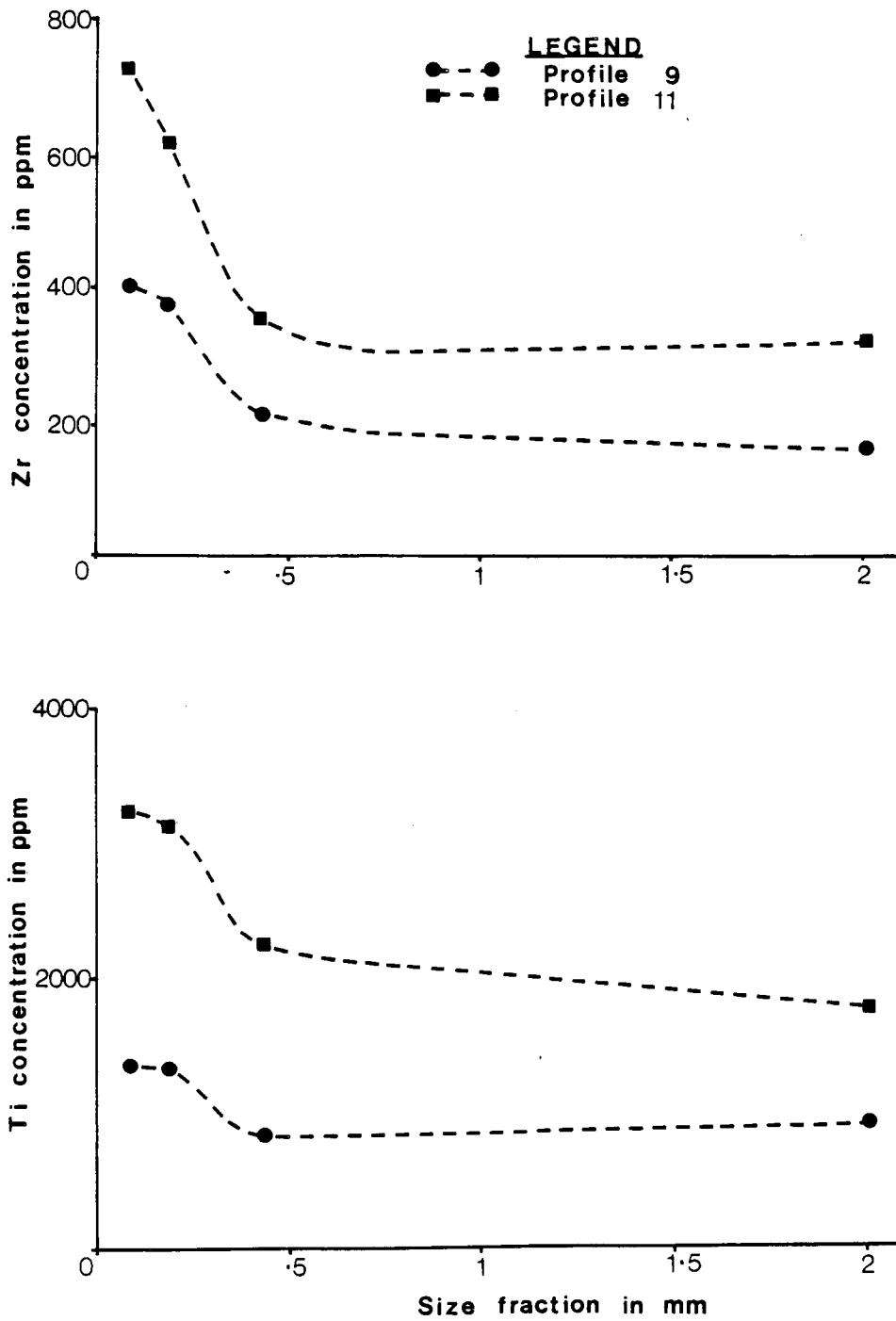


Figure 7-16: Diagram showing the relative enrichments and depletions for Ti and Zr in each size fraction between anomalous (profile 11) and depleted (profile 9) areas.

8 LATERAL GEOCHEMICAL WEATHERING AND DISPERSION PATTERNS IN THE SECONDARY ENVIRONMENT

The lateral dispersion patterns for Sn, Cu, Mo, Rb, Sr and Ba are evaluated by using the optimum horizons and fractions as determined in the previous chapter. Corrections due to the sorptive capacity of Fe_2O_3 have been made for Cu.

Concentration intervals as portrayed on the geochemical maps were determined by using the method of Sinclair (1974). The obtained populations should reflect either different rock-types or mineralised zones or both. Large populations are subdivided for optimum results.

For the pebble layer and C horizon, only values obtained from the prospecting pits were used, whilst for the A_1 horizon values obtained from the lateral traverses (Appendix H) were also included.

8.1 TIN

Residual soil: C horizon (sand + silt-clay fraction).

Three populations were distinguished (Fig. 8-1):

- Population C represents the background for Sn on unaltered and weakly altered granites.
- Population B shows altered zones enriched in Sn.
- Population A indicates intensively greisenised zones.

Pebble layer: (bulk sample).

Five populations were distinguished (Fig 8-2a) with:

- Populations D and E representing the background.
- Population C slightly enriched.
- Populations A and B enriched zones.

Grain-size distribution patterns.

The grain-size distribution of cassiterite is shown on a map using histograms (Fig. 8-2b). Enrichment of coarse cassiterite is evident in all the profiles in the mineralised zones. If the direction of soil movement is taken into account, definite enrichments of coarse cassiterite from known sources are perceived between profiles 27 and 31, 26 and 25, 15 and 32, 15 and 16,

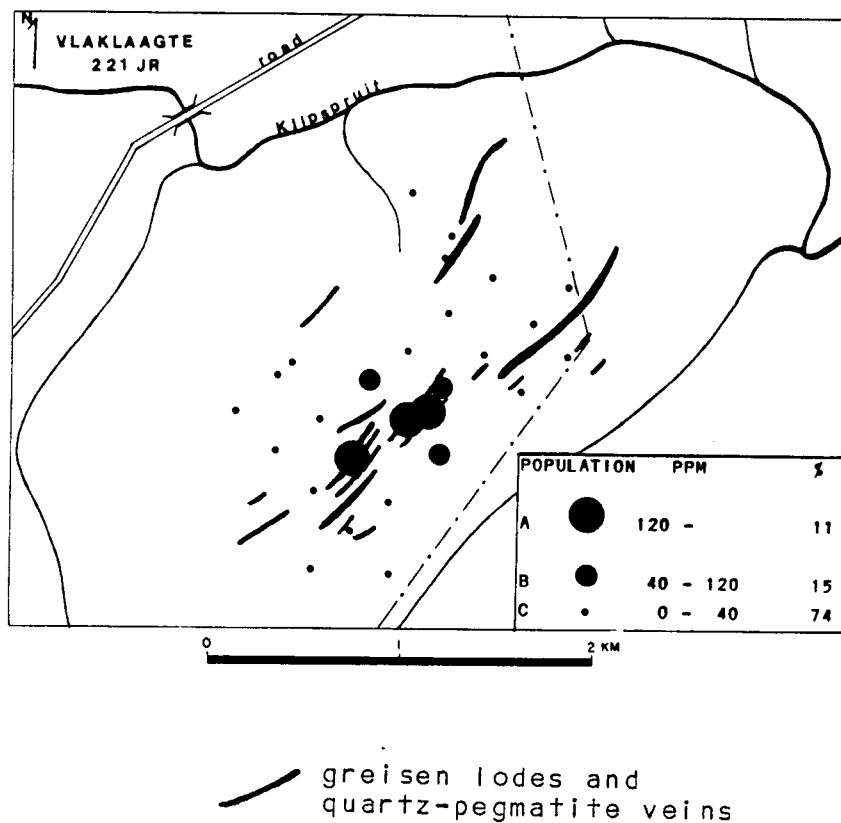
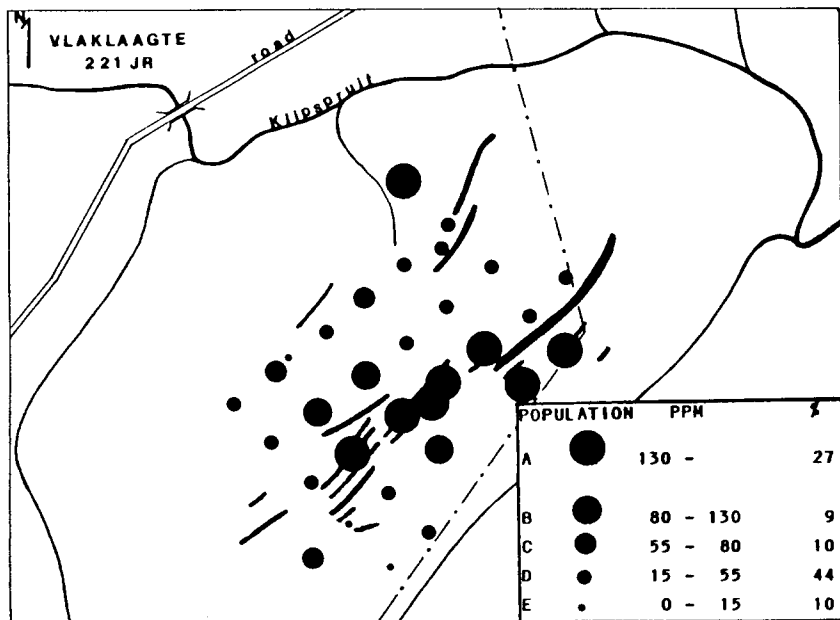
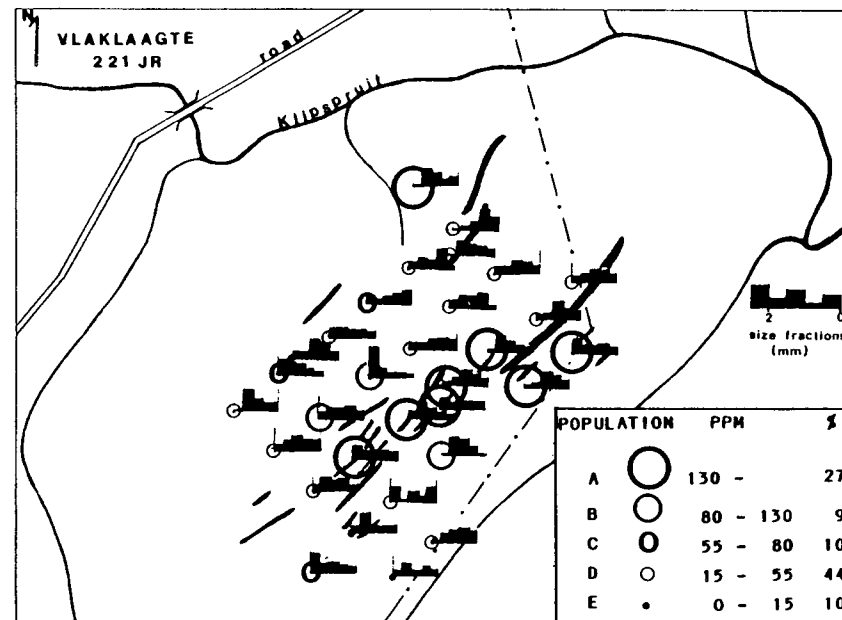


Figure 8-1: Geochemical map showing the Sn distribution in the C horizon (sand plus silt-clay fraction).



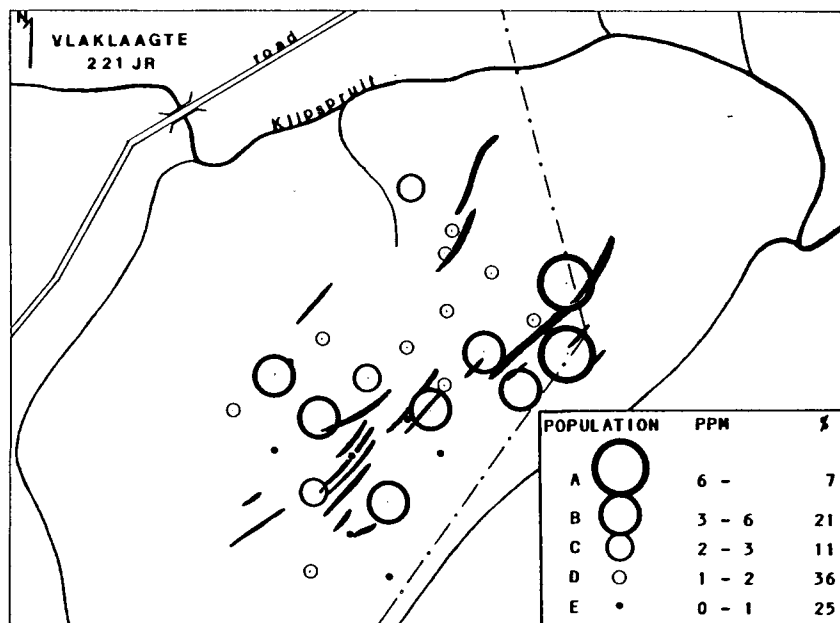
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B



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C

Figure 8-2: Geochemical maps showing A) the Sn distribution in the pebble layer (bulk sample), B) the grain-size distribution patterns (grain-size populations) in the pebble layer and C) the Sn-ratio between the pebble layer and the top residual soils (bulk sample).

9 and 16 and also at profile 8. Enrichments from unknown sources are observed between profiles 5 and 6, 10 and 11 and also at profile 1. These results are even more meaningful when the concentration of Sn at each sample point is compared.

Ratio of Sn content between the pebble layer and the top residual zone : (bulk sample)

These ratios (Fig. 8-2c) give unsatisfactory results when not compared with the actual Sn concentration. If the concentrations in the zones are considered together with the ratios, mineralised zones can be identified.

Taking the direction of soil movement into account, the same enrichment patterns than those obtained for grain-sizes are evident, although less significant.

Transported soil: A₁ horizon (bulk sample).

Four populations were distinguished (Fig. 8-3) with:

- Population D representing completely unmineralised zones in the granophyre and Makhutso Granite.
- Population C comprising the background in the mineralised area.
- Population B defining haloes around the mineralised zones for the greisens and quartz pegmatites.
- Population A defining the greisenised zones on the hill crest accurately.

8.1.1 Discussion

The distribution patterns in the A₁ horizon and the pebble layer give a broad definition of mineralised areas on the hill crest where the transported soils are thin and outcrops exist. Downslope, the patterns seem to be due to mechanical redistribution of cassiterite, causing a gradual decrease in both the concentration and the grain size, due to abrasion and dilution. The strip marked (A) in Fig. 8-3 is sandy with quartz the dominant mineral which dilutes the concentration of all other minerals including cassiterite. The anomaly at point (B) in Fig. 8-3 is expected to be the result of a source higher up on the slopes.

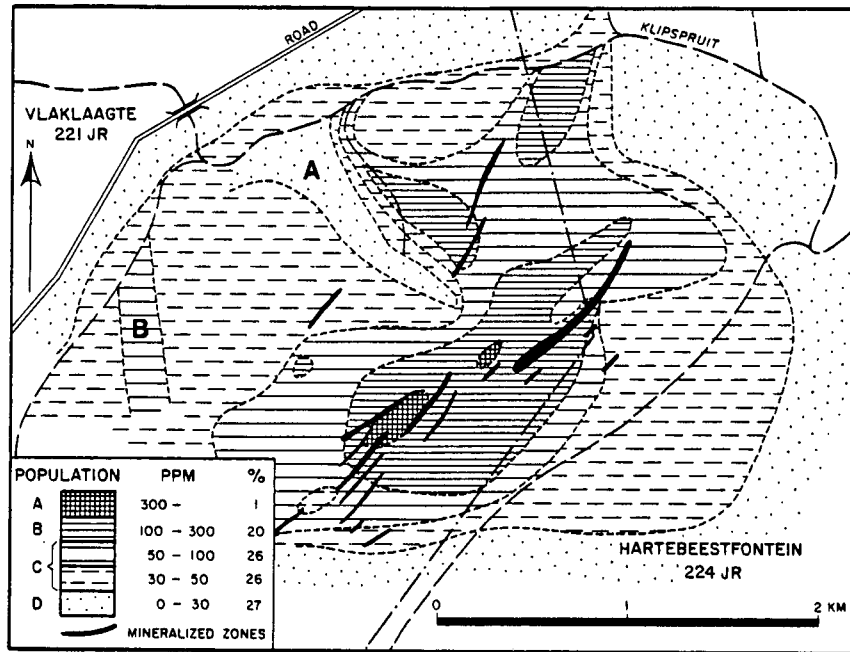


Figure 8-3: Geochemical map showing the Sn distribution in the A₁ horizon (bulk sample).

The A₁ horizon and pebble layer therefore cause false anomalies in the middle and lower slopes and terraces where thick layers of transported soils occur. The pebble layer is, however, regarded to be the most sensitive zone for lateral tracing, especially the lower part of the layer. Tin ratios between the pebble layer and residual soils present an even better lateral tracing medium, also enabling the positional determination of the source. Grain-size distribution patterns within the pebble layer give optimum results for lateral tracing and would also allow the detection of the source. A combination of these parameters ensure an excellent exploration technique using the pebble layer as illustrated in Fig. 8-4. Care should be exercised to ensure that the pebble layer is in direct contact with the residual soils and that the lower part of the pebble layer is sampled. If palaeo-colluvium occurs below the pebble layer, the zone in direct contact with the residual material should be used instead.

The C horizon reveals anomalous concentrations at profiles 9 and 15 where it is shielded by the transported soil. This horizon is regarded as the only zone that can be used to locate the exact position of a mineralised zone. Usage of the C horizon (particularly the lower part) in conjunction with the pebble layer is recommended for tracing and finding a mineralised zone.

8.2 COPPER

Residual soil: C horizon (silt-clay fraction).

Original values (unnormalised for Fe₂O₃).

Five populations were discerned (Fig. 8-5a) with:

- Population E confined to the unmineralised zones in the Makhutso Granite and granophyre.
- Population D restricted to laterally enriched unmineralised zones in the Makhutso Granite and the Vlaklaagte granite.
- Populations B and C confined to the Vlaklaagte granite and profiles in the Makhutso Granite which are enriched in Cu.
- Population A confined to greisenised zones and the sulphide rich quartz-pegmatite veins.

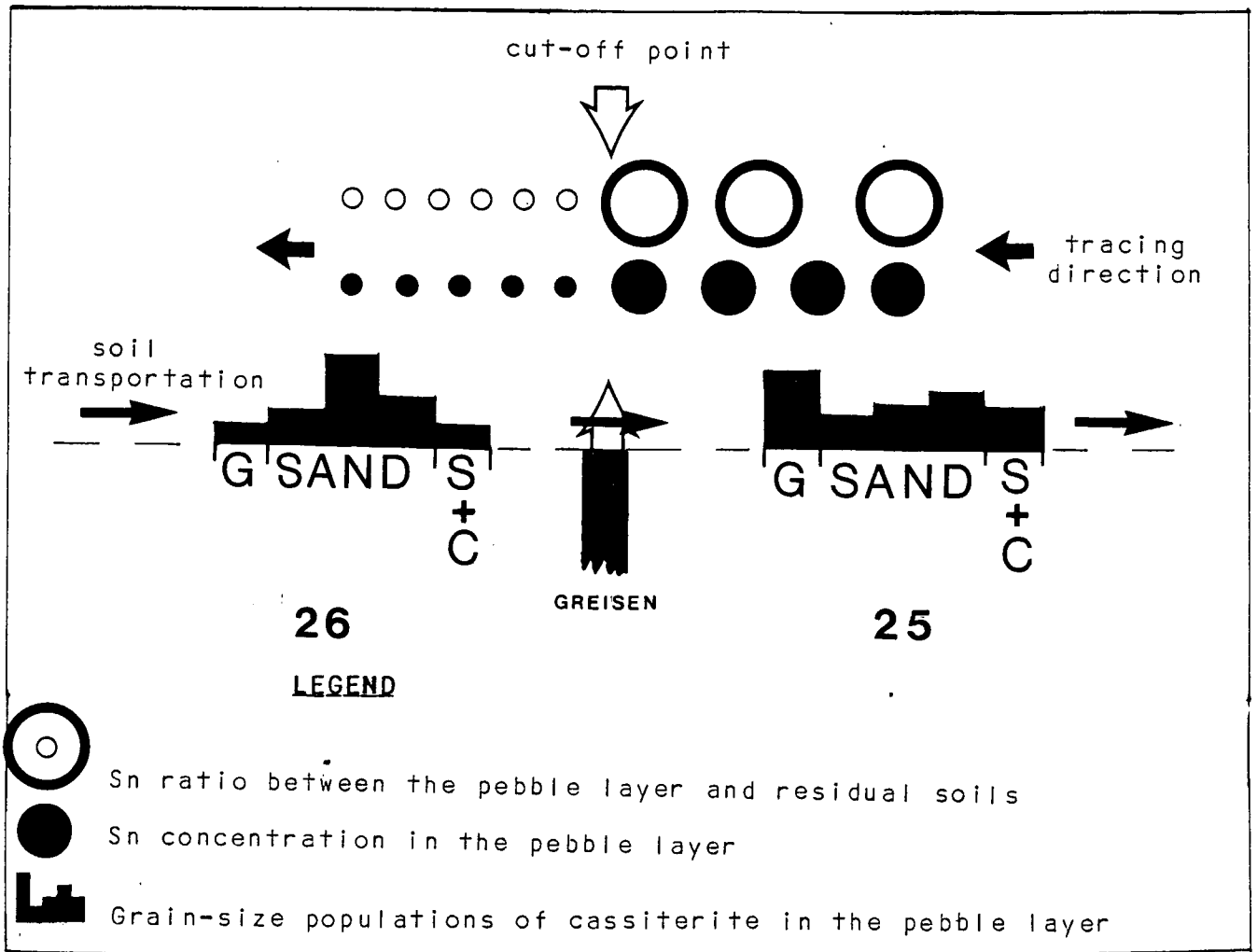
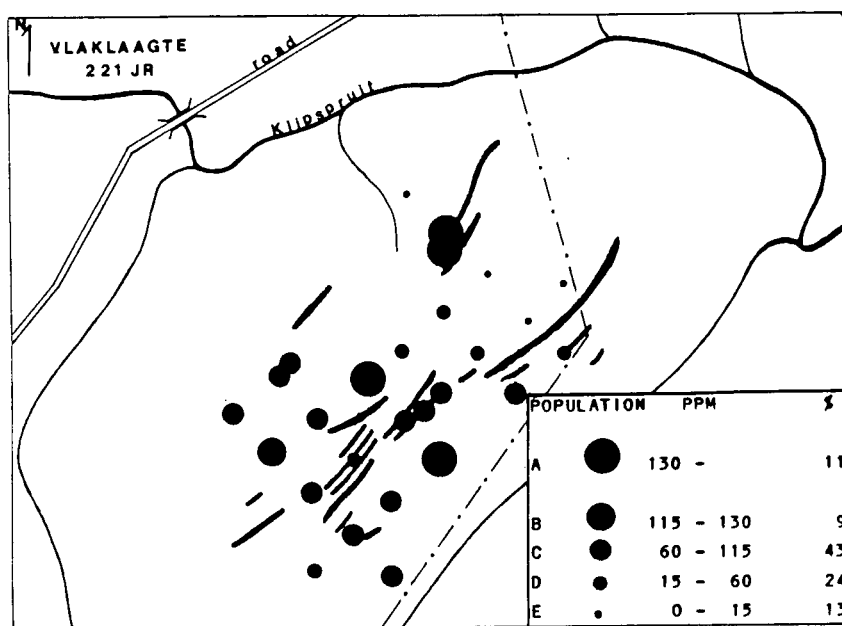
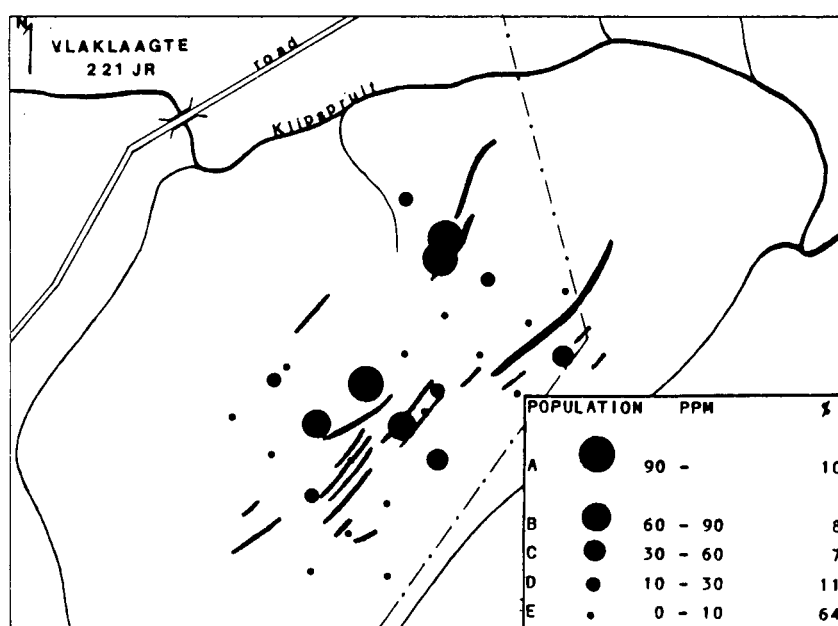


Figure 8-4: Model showing how a combination of the total Sn concentration (bulk sample) in the pebble layer, the grain-size populations of cassiterite in the pebble layer and the Sn ratio between the pebble layer and residual soils could be used for lateral tracing.



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B

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Figure 8-5: Geochemical maps showing the Cu distribution in the C horizon in the silt-clay fraction A) unnormalised for Fe_2O_3 and B) normalised for Fe_2O_3 .

Cu values normalised for Fe₂O₃

Five populations were discerned (Fig. 8-5b) with:

- Population E representing the unmineralised zones on both the granophyre, Makhutso Granite and Vlaklaagte granite.
- Population D representing zones slightly enriched.
- Populations B and C representing zones with relatively high concentrations of Cu.
- Population A confined to enriched zones.

Pebble layer: (silt-clay fraction)Original values (unnormalised for Fe₂O₃).

Four populations were distinguished (Fig. 8-6a) with:

- Populations C and D representing the unmineralised zones.
- Population B showing zones slightly enriched in Cu.
- Population A confined to the mineralised contact zone between the Makhutso and Vlaklaagte granite.

Cu values normalised for Fe₂O₃

Four populations were recognised (Fig. 8-6b) with:

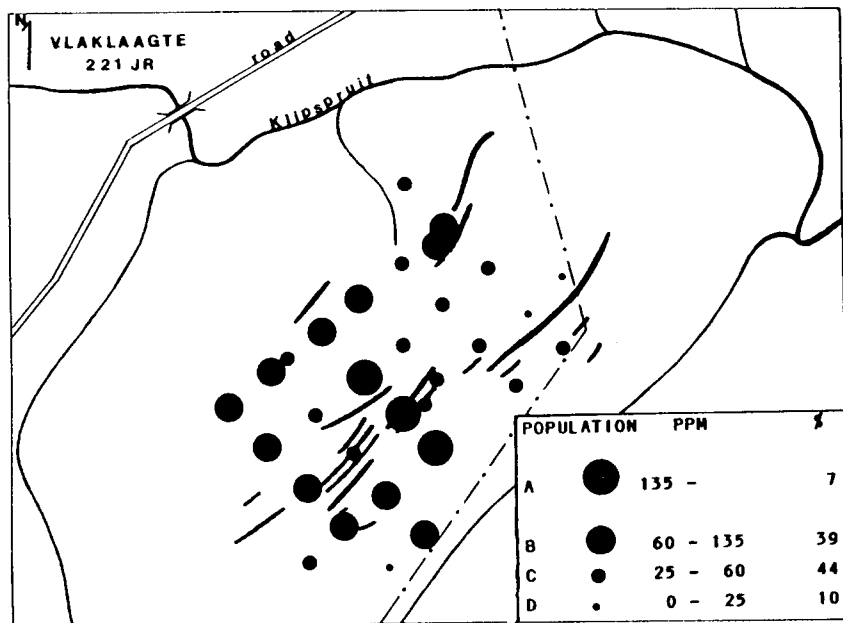
- Population D confined to the unmineralised zones.
- Population C confined to zones slightly enriched.
- Population B confined to stronger enriched zones.
- Population A confined to strongly enriched zones.

Goethite pellets (original values).

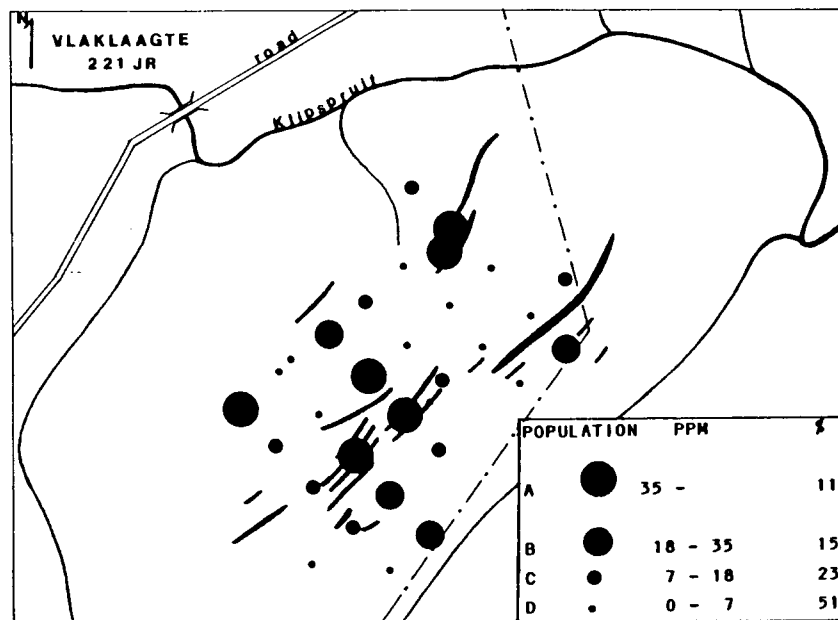
Goethite pellets were also selected for each profile and analysed for Fe and Cu (Table 8-1). The results indicate that no relationship between the Fe and Cu contents exist. No correction for Fe was thus necessary.

Four populations were identified (Fig. 8-6c) with:

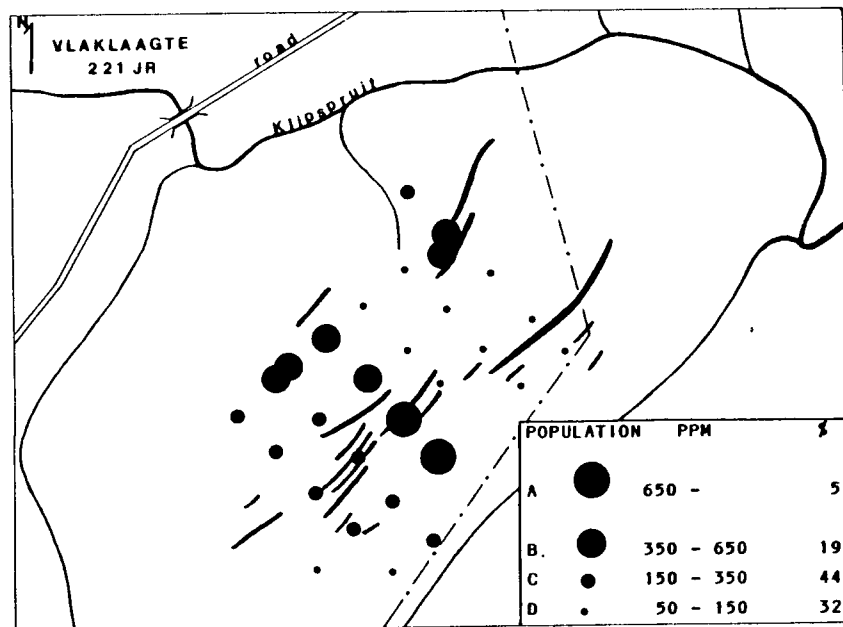
- Population D mainly reflecting the background on Makhutso Granite.
- Population C representing background on the Vlaklaagte granite and slight enrichments in the Makhutso Granite.
- Population B restricted to mineralised and lateral enriched zones.
- Population A restricted to the mineralised zones on the



A



B



C



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Figure 8-6:
Geochemical maps showing the Cu distribution
in the pebble layer A) unnormalised for Fe_2O_3
in the silt-clay fraction, B) normalised for
 Fe_2O_3 in the silt-clay fraction and C) in the
goethite pellets.

TABLE 8-1: TOTAL Fe AS Fe_2O_3 , Cu AND Mo CONCENTRATIONS IN GOETHITE PELLETS FROM THE PEBBLE LAYER FOR ALL 32 PROFILES.

| PROFILE | ELEMENTS | | |
|---------|-----------|-----|-----|
| | Fe_2O_3 | Cu | Mo |
| 1 | 14.9 | 100 | <5 |
| 2 | 15.8 | 87 | 8 |
| 3 | 16.9 | 324 | 11 |
| 4 | 17.8 | 184 | 11 |
| 5 | 17.6 | 288 | 11 |
| 6 | 16.5 | 297 | 20 |
| 7 | 16.0 | 167 | 14 |
| 8 | 15.6 | 244 | 22 |
| 9 | 18.8 | 166 | 75 |
| 10 | 16.9 | 247 | 55 |
| 11 | 16.0 | 494 | 106 |
| 12 | 18.2 | 427 | 75 |
| 13 | --- | --- | --- |
| 14 | 16.6 | 831 | 57 |
| 15 | 15.8 | 695 | 25 |
| 16 | 16.0 | 525 | 18 |
| 17 | 15.8 | 362 | 36 |
| 18 | 14.6 | 94 | 15 |
| 19 | 14.8 | 101 | 12 |
| 20 | 15.2 | 96 | 10 |
| 21 | 14.7 | 121 | 9 |
| 22 | 14.6 | 94 | 15 |
| 23 | 12.0 | 119 | 10 |
| 24 | 14.1 | 114 | 11 |
| 25 | 16.1 | 91 | <5 |
| 26 | 17.3 | 73 | 8 |
| 27 | 16.3 | 131 | 16 |
| 28 | 14.9 | 443 | 16 |
| 29 | 17.3 | 181 | 17 |
| 30 | --- | --- | --- |
| 31 | 16.8 | 561 | 16 |
| 32 | --- | --- | --- |

contact between the Makhutso and Vlaklaagte granite.

Transported soil: A₁ horizon (silt-clay fraction)

Original values (unnormalised for Fe₂O₃).

Four populations were obtained (Fig. 8-7a) with:

- Population D restricted to the more sandy part of the first order stream.
- The lower part of population C restricted to the sandy valley floor, the lower slopes and completely unmineralised parts of the Makhutso Granite and granophyre.
- The upper part of population C restricted to the middle and upper slopes in the mineralised area.
- Population B broadly defining the Cu haloes around mineralised zones.
- Population A broadly defining the greisenised contact zone between the Makhutso and Vlaklaagte granite, the sulphide rich quartz-pegmatite, a mineralised zone anomalous in Sn and Mo and a mineralised zone not coinciding with either Sn or Mo.

A distribution map for Fe₂O₃ using the silt-clay fraction shows that three populations can be distinguished (Fig. 8-7b) with:

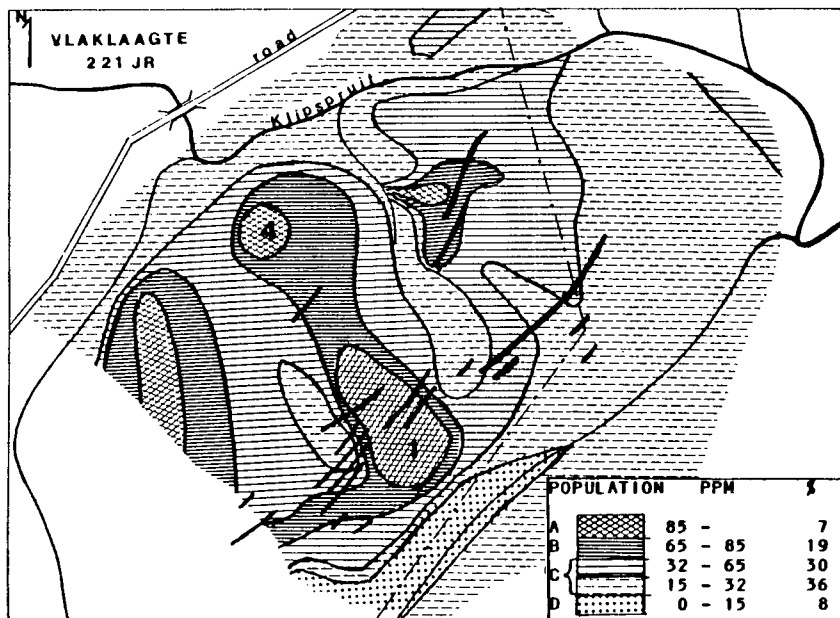
- Population C confined to first order streams.
- Population B representing drainage anomalies from both mineralised and unmineralised zones.
- Population A indicating two highly anomalous zones which both coincide with Cu anomalies.

The distribution patterns for both the Fe and Cu from the top of the ridge where anomaly 1 is situated, form a fan to the north west along the slopes to where anomaly 4 is situated. This indicates that the Cu and Fe anomalies are secondary at (4) due to the redistribution of Fe and Cu leached from the greisenised zones on the hill crest.

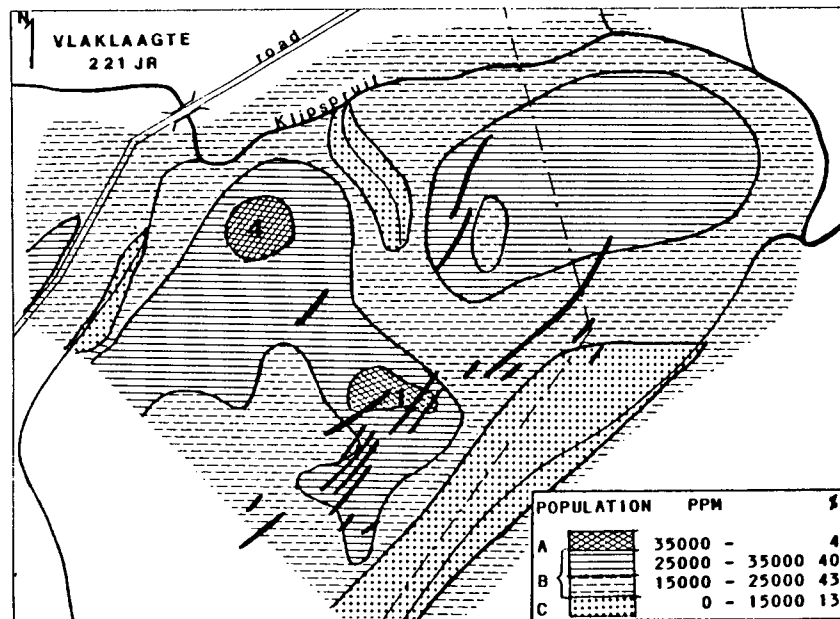
Cu values normalised for Fe₂O₃

Four populations are recognised (Fig. 8-7c) with:

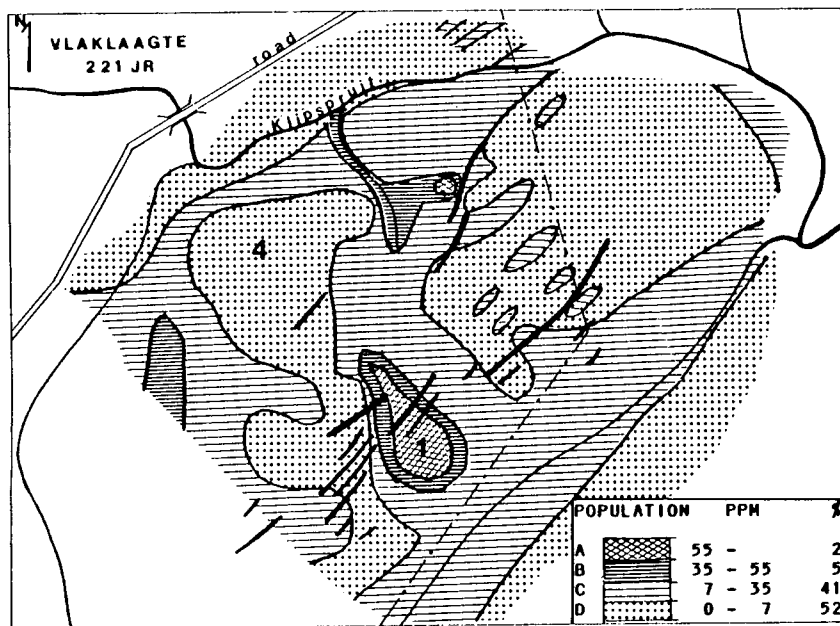
- Population D representing unmineralised zones.
- Population C restricted to the lower slopes and areas



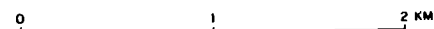
A



B



C



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Figure 8-7:

Geochemical maps showing A) the Cu (unnormalised for Fe_2O_3) distribution in the A_1 horizon in the silt-clay fraction, B) the Fe distribution in the A_1 horizon in the silt-clay fraction and C) the Cu (normalised for Fe_2O_3) distribution in the A_1 horizon in the silt-clay fraction.

around mineralised zones.

- Population B representing haloes around mineralised zones.
- Population A only restricted to three mineralised zones.

8.2.1 Discussion

The distribution patterns of Cu are relatively broad and are controlled by Fe-oxides. The A₁ horizon shows anomalous distribution patterns for both the Fe-corrected and uncorrected Cu in the vicinity of mineralised zones where the transported soil cover is thin. At the lower slopes mineralised zones are shielded by the thick layer of transported soils. The false anomalies can be separated by comparing both maps.

As a result the anomaly at point 4 (Fig. 8-7a) proved to be only the result of Fe accumulation from a mineralised zone higher up on the ridge. The three other anomalies are associated with mineralised zones. Most of the thicker soils, especially on the terraces, create an Iron oxide trap for elements.

In the pebble layer the anomalies for both Fe-corrected and uncorrected Cu values are still broad but more confined to mineralised zones than in the A₁ horizon. Copper mineralisation underlying profiles 10, 18 and 21 and to a lesser extent profile 14 (Fig. 8-6b), are shielded. Lateral tracing using the pebble layer or zone in direct contact with the residual material should, however, give a more direct indication of mineralisation than the A₁ horizon.

Using the goethite pellets, it is possible to distinguish between the Makhutso and Vlaklaagte granites whilst the highly mineralised zones are also better defined. The poorly mineralised zones are not detected, which can be ascribed to Cu values which do not differ from the relatively high background values. The goethite pellets therefore outline the extremes very well. Mechanical movement of the goethite pellets could cause false anomalies. The remarkably accurate patterns, however, indicate that the pellets have not moved too far.

The C horizon defines the mineralised zones more accurately than any of the other zones, especially when corrected for Fe

and is recommended for both lateral and positional tracing of an ore body. Lateral enrichment causing false anomalies remains a problem. Apart from the fact that Fe-corrected values give more definite anomalies, both Fe and Cu can be enriched over mineralised zones and care should be taken when Cu is corrected for Fe. The lower part of the C horizon is recommended because relicts of the mottled and pallid zones are still expected in the upper parts of the C horizon on the lower and footslopes.

The use of $\text{SiO}_2/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$, $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ and $\text{SiO}_2/\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ ratios in conjunction with the mineralogical and geochemical parameters demand a separate investigation and are thus not considered.

8.3 MOLYBDENUM

Residual soil: C horizon (silt-clay fraction)

Two populations were distinguished (Fig. 8-8a) with:

- Population B representing unmineralised zones.
- Population A representing the Mo mineralised zones.

Pebble layer: (silt-clay fraction)

Two populations were distinguished (Fig. 8-8b) with:

- Population B representing the unmineralised zones.
- Population A representing the Mo mineralised zones.

Goethite pellets (original values).

Five populations were distinguished (Fig. 8-8c) with:

- Populations D and E representing the unmineralised zones.
- Populations B and C indicating zones laterally enriched.
- Population A indicating the mineralised zones.

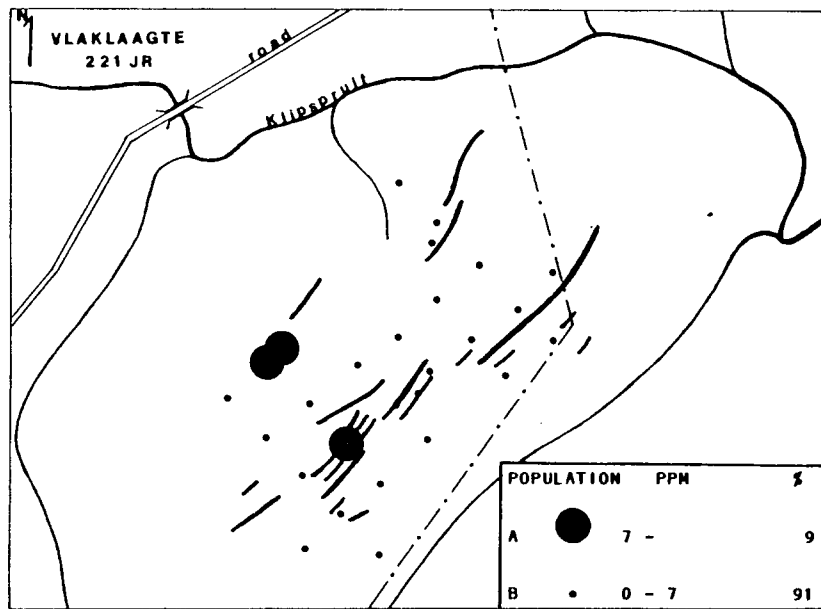
Transported soil: A₁ horizon (silt-clay fraction).

Two populations were identified (Fig. 8-8d) with:

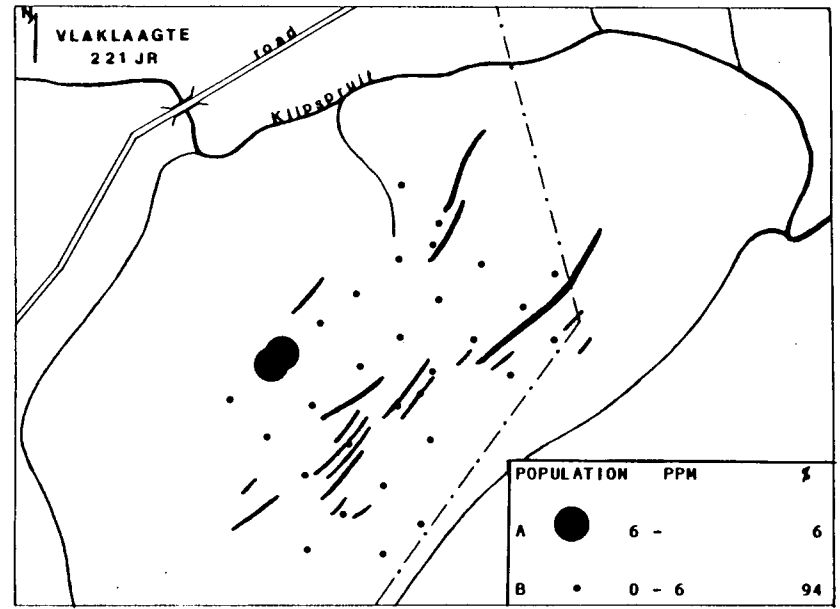
- Population B representing the unmineralised zones.
- Population A representing the mineralised zones (anomalies 1 and 2).

8.3.1 Discussion

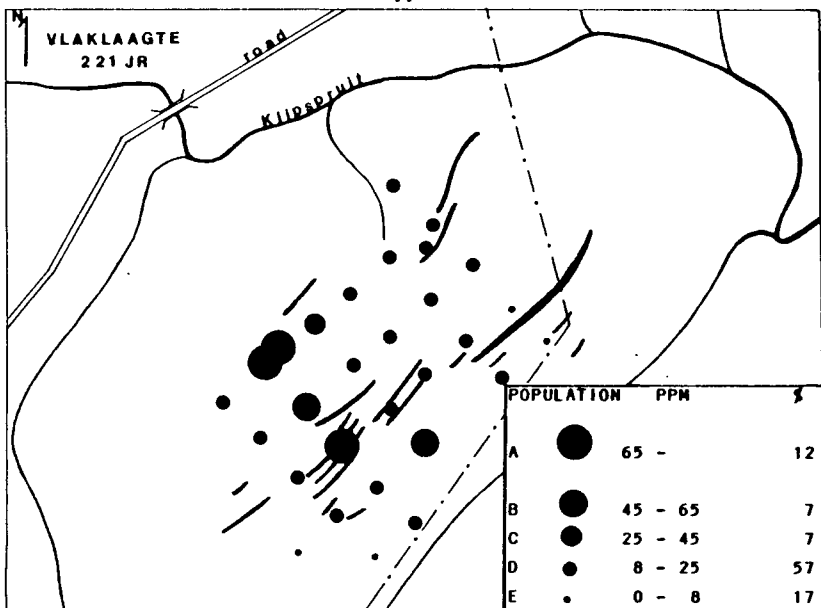
In the A₁ horizon some displaced anomalies are encountered,



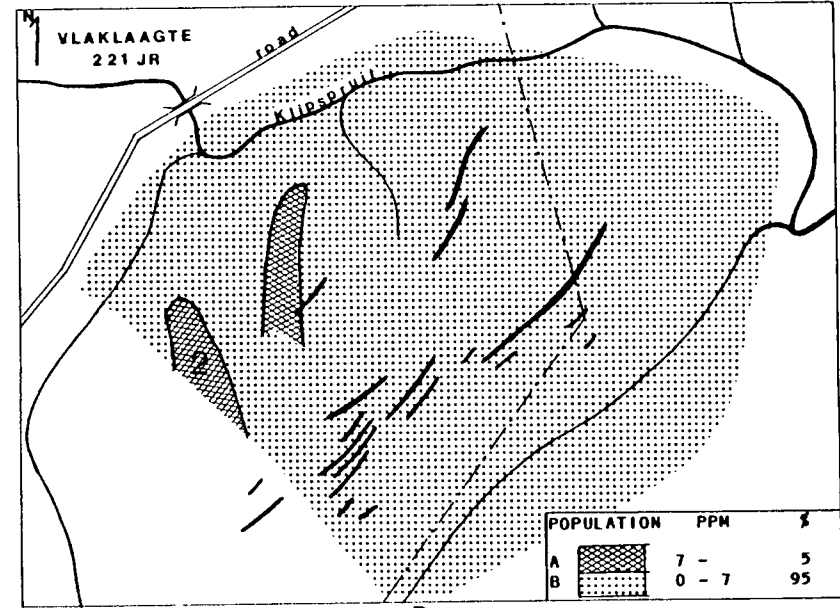
A



B



C



D

greisen lodes and quartz-pegmatite veins



Figure 8-8: Geochemical maps showing the Mo distribution in A) the C horizon (silt-clay fraction), B) the pebble layer (silt-clay fraction), C) the pebble layer (goethite pellets) and D) the A₁ horizon (silt-clay fraction).

indicating zones of mineralisation, some of which are unable to be localised due to shielding by the transported soils (profile 9). Anomaly 2 (Fig. 8-8d) is interpreted as a trace from a source higher up on the slopes. The fact that Cu, Mo and Sn show the same anomaly, suggests that the source should be from the late aplitic to early greisen stage.

The pebble layer and specifically the goethite pellets in it prove to be a most sensitive lateral tracing medium. Mineralisation at profile 9 was not detected, using the silt-clay fraction in the pebble layer and therefore is ascribed to shielding by the residual soils. Goethite pellets are 50 times enriched in Mo relative to the silt-clay fraction in the anomalous areas which makes them more sensitive than the silt-clay fraction in the C horizon.

The C horizon is the most reliable sampling medium to locate the mineralised zones. Using a combination of the lower part of the C horizon and goethite pellets from the lower part of the pebble layer one should be able to detect and localise a Mo-deposit on the upper slopes and ridge. On the middle slope and foot slope care should be taken that the pebble layer is in direct contact with the residual soils. If not the lower part of the C horizon is the only reliable medium.

8.4 RUBIDIUM

Residual soil: C horizon (silt-clay fraction).

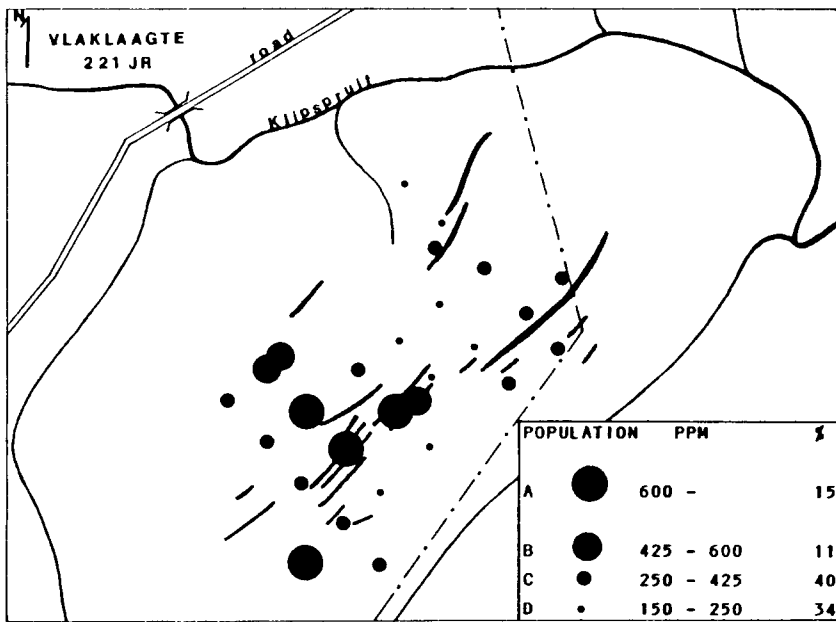
Four populations were observed (Fig 8-9a) with:

- Populations C and D representing the background.
- Populations A and B indicating metasomatic and differentiated zones.

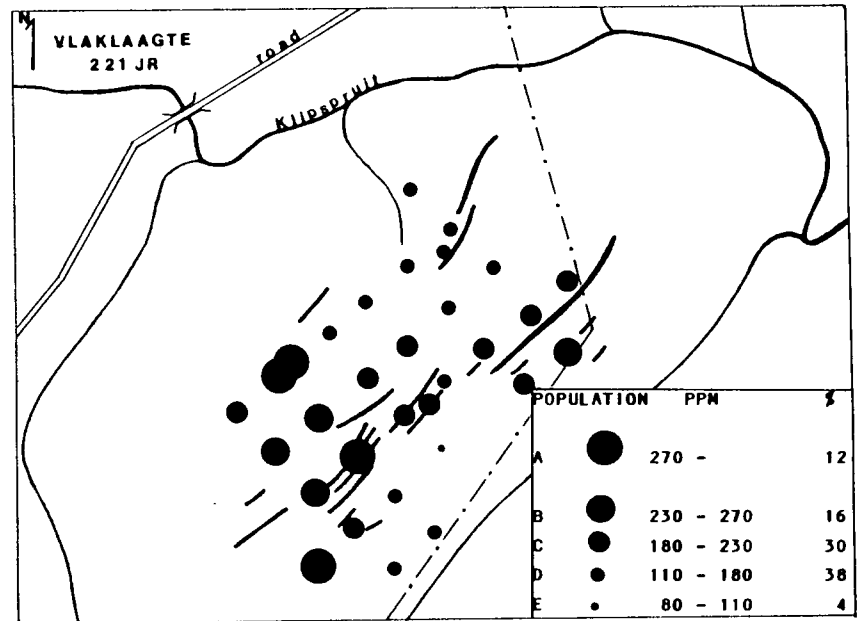
Pebble layer: (silt-clay fraction).

Five populations were identified (Fig. 8-9b) with:

- Populations D and E representing the background.
- Population C restricted to areas of weak leaching and to the greisenised zone on the contact between the Makhutso and Vlaklaagte granite.
- Population B restricted to slightly enriched zones.
- Population A mainly restricted to the aplitic zones.



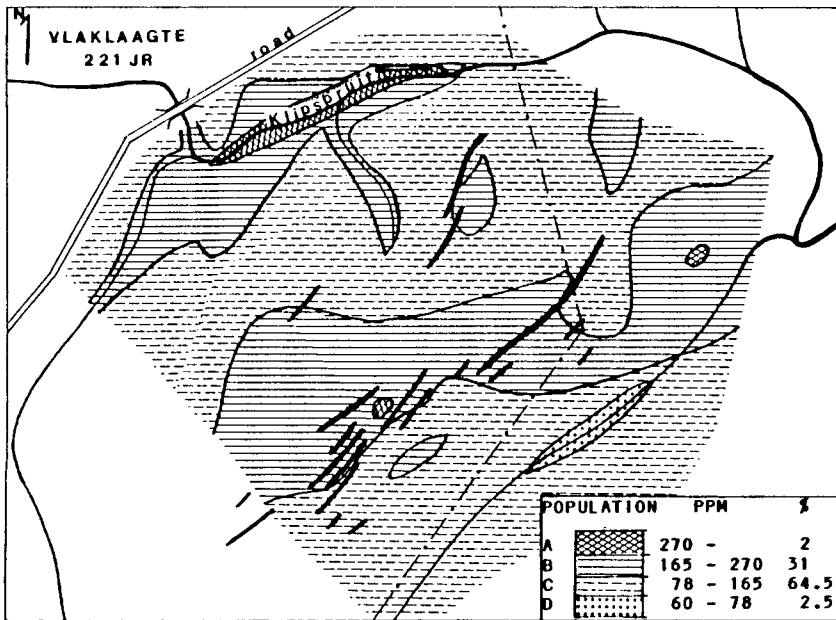
A



B



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quartz-pegmatite veins



C

Figure 8-9:
Geochemical maps showing the Rb distribution
in A) the C horizon (silt-clay fraction), B)
the pebble layer (silt-clay fraction) and C)
the A₁ horizon (silt-clay fraction).

Transported soil: A₁ horizon (silt-clay fraction).

Four populations were identified (Fig. 8-9c) with:

- Population D restricted to the sandy valley floor.
- Population C representing the background.
- Population B representing haloes on the hill crest around mineralised zones close to the surface as well as the clay stream bed.
- Population A restricted to the greisen zones and the clay stream bed.

8.4.1 Discussion

The mobility of Rb causes it to be a difficult element to be used as a pathfinder. Distribution of Rb in the transported soils is a function of topography and the associated chemical weathering conditions. Rubidium is intensively leached on the slopes compared to the ridge where leaching is less intensive and where the mineralised zones are still reflected. Rubidium removed from the ridge and slopes, is precipitated in the valleys where clay minerals occur.

Distribution patterns in the pebble layer are due to mechanical transportation. Known anomalous zones observed in the C horizon (profiles 15 and 32), were not observed. The topographical control on the distribution of Rb is also evident from higher values in the region of outcrops with primary feldspar still present and in low energy areas on terraces where Rb is redeposited in clay minerals. Population B (Fig. 8-9b) represents such a terrace.

The A₁ horizon and the pebble layer seems to be unreliable because anomalous zones could be a result of weathering conditions and topography. The C horizon is a relatively reliable sampling medium for lateral tracing, but weathering could cause problems. In less weathered and lower energy zones, Rb will cause false anomalies. The low energy zones cause reprecipitation and the enrichment of Rb. When used, however, the less affected lower part of the C horizon is the most reliable.

8.5 STRONTIUM

Residual soil: C horizon (silt-clay fraction).

Four populations were distinguished (Fig. 8-10a) with:

- Populations C and D indicating the region of greisenised and leached zones.
- Populations A and B indicating rocks with high background values or zones unevenly leached.

Pebble layer: (silt-clay fraction).

Four populations were distinguished (Fig. 8-10b) with:

- Population D indicating some greisenised zones.
- Population C indicating greisenised and leached zones.
- Populations A and B indicating profiles close to outcrops and profiles where deposition of Sr took place.

Transported soil: A₁ horizon (silt-clay fraction).

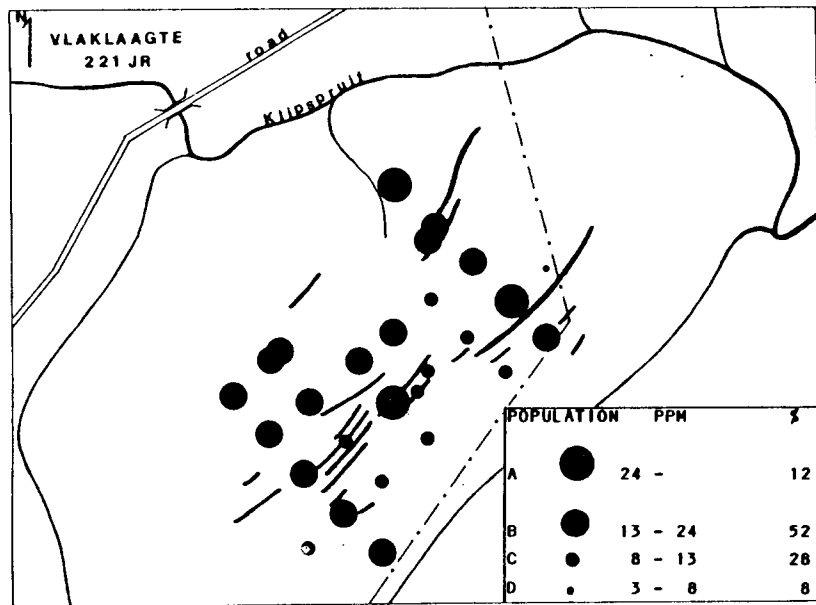
Four populations were identified (Fig. 8-10c) with:

- Population D reflecting the sandy valley floor and the greisenised zone on the contact between the Makhutso and Vlaklaagte granite.
- Population C forming the background population.
- Populations A and B restricted to the valley floor in the west and the terraces where redeposition took place.

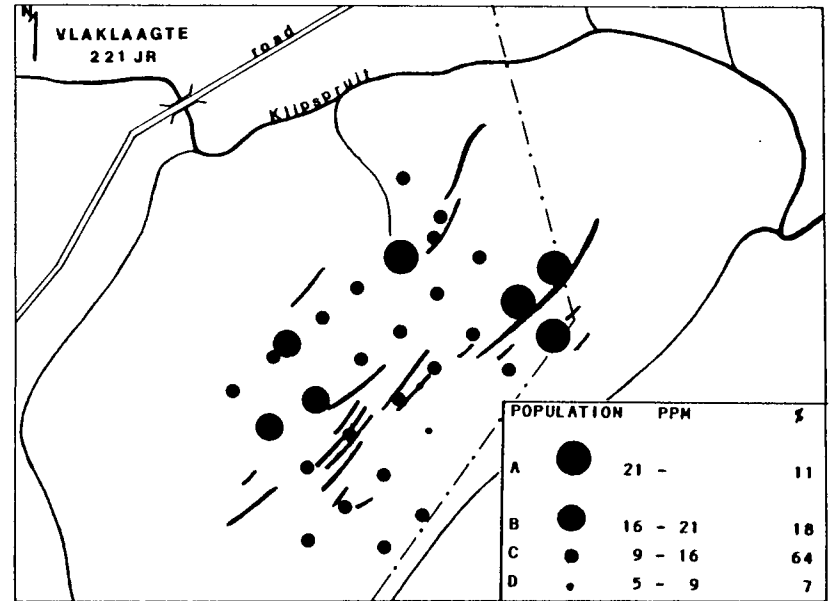
8.5.1 Discussion.

Sr is more mobile than Rb and strongly controlled by topographical and weathering conditions. Except for some indication of highly differentiated zones near the contact of the Makhutso and Vlaklaagte granite, no other highly differentiated zone could be identified using any sampling medium.

Redistribution of Sr has a homogenising effect, with the C horizon the least affected. Enrichment of Rb and Sr in the western valley floor near a spring, indicates that the watertable is close to the surface. The enrichment is thus the result of groundwater transporting the mobile elements to places where they are precipitated by evaporation.



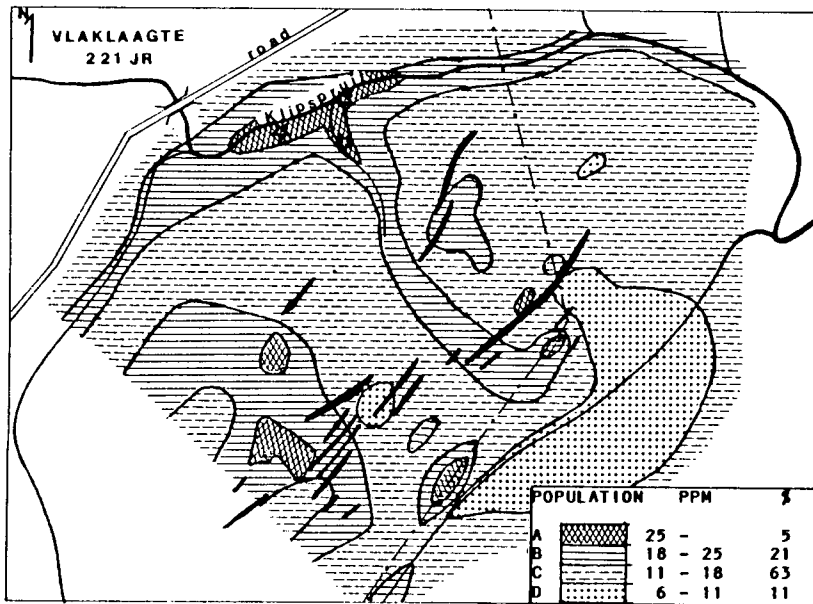
A



B



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 ☆ spring



C

Figure 8-10:
 Geochemical maps showing the Sr distribution in A) the C horizon (silt-clay fraction), B) the pebble layer (silt-clay fraction) and C) the A₁ horizon (silt-clay fraction).

8.6 Rb/Sr RATIO

Rb increases with increasing differentiation and Sr decreases, thus the Rb/Sr ratio should indicate mineralised zones.

Residual soil: C horizon (silt-clay fraction).

Five populations were distinguished (Fig. 8-11a) with:

- Populations D and E indicating background values.
- Population C restricted to slightly mineralised and laterally enriched zones.
- Populations A and B representing greisenised, aplitic and sulphide rich zones as well as profiles laterally enriched and weakly weathered.

Pebble layer: (silt-clay fraction).

Four populations were distinguished (Fig. 8-11b) with:

- Populations C and D representing the background.
- Populations A and B representing laterally enriched zones as well as profiles enriched "in situ".

Transported soil: A₁ horizon (silt-clay fraction).

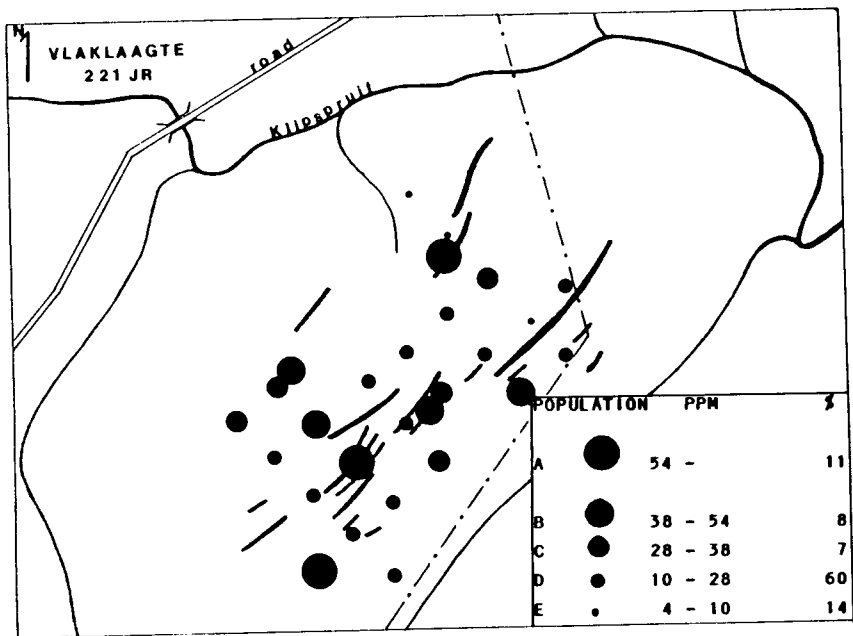
Three populations were distinguished (Fig. 8-11c) with:

- Population C restricted to the lower slopes and in some cases the valley floor.
- Population B restricted to the clayey valley floor and also the middle and upper slopes.
- Population A defining the mineralised zones and outcrops of granite.

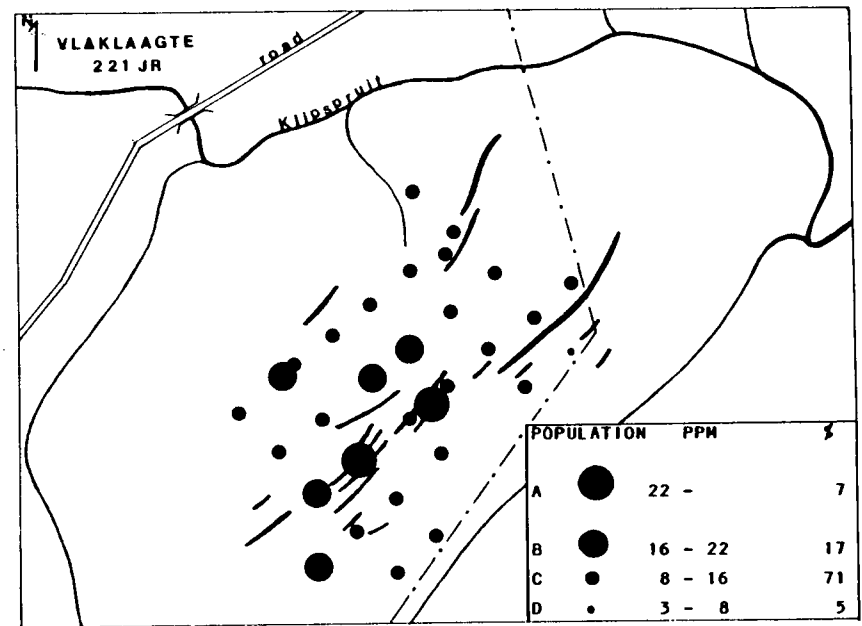
8.6.1 Discussion

The Rb/Sr ratios are not recommended for exploration if either the A₁ horizon or the pebble layer are used. Distribution patterns in these zones are due to the topography. Mineralised zones can be identified on the ridge with just as many false anomalies.

Population C (Fig. 8-11c) in the A₁ horizon is the result of clayey soils in the west, with Sr enriched relative to Rb and is also the result of sandy soils in the east with both



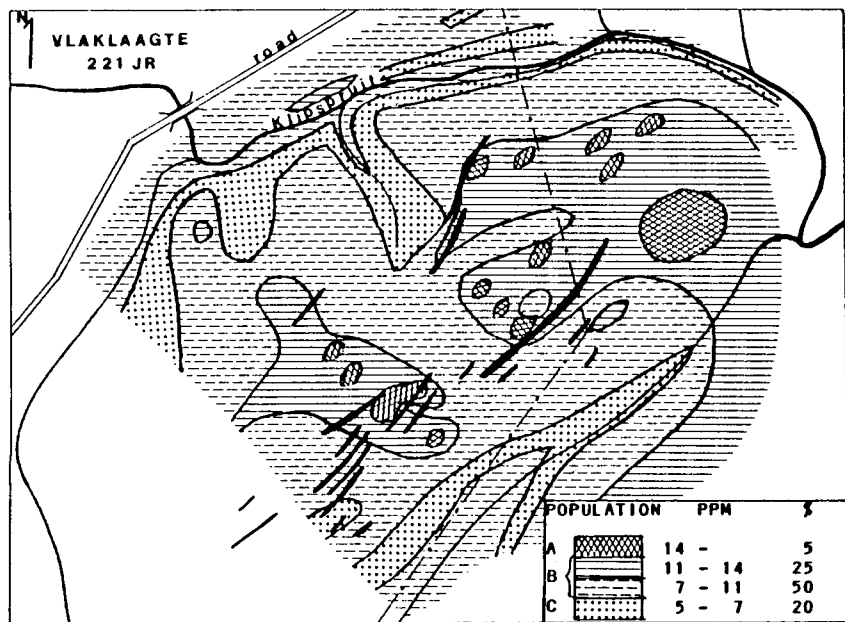
A



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C

Figure 8-11:
Geochemical maps showing the variation in the Rb/Sr ratio in A) the C horizon (silt-clay fraction), B) the pebble layer (silt-clay fraction) and C) the A₁ horizon (silt-clay fraction).

elements intensively leached. In population B (Fig. 8-11c) both Rb and Sr are enriched in the valley floor whilst depleted on the middle and upper slopes. The false anomalies in population A (Fig. 8-11c) due to outcrops, are also misleading. It is thus clear that opposite conditions can result in the same population. This causes confusion and should be avoided.

The C horizon is more successful, providing that similar weathering conditions exist throughout. Slight differences in weathering cause abnormalities (profiles 15 and 16). Low ratios at profiles 15 and 16 are unexpected but may be due to a weaker degree of weathering which resulted in higher Sr values. High leaching conditions are expected to have leached both Rb and Sr strongly. The lower part of the C horizon is therefore recommended.

8.7 Rb/Ba RATIO

Ba is less mobile but behaves similar to Sr in the primary environment, thus the Rb/Ba ratio could also be used as an indication of mineralised zones.

Residual soil: C horizon (silt-clay fraction).

Four populations were distinguished (Fig. 8-12) with:

- Populations C and D indicating the background.
- Populations A and B indicating the mineralised zones and laterally disturbed zones.

All the profiles related to mineralisation proved to be positive except profile 16 in which no anomaly was detected. The Rb/Ba ratio gives a better indication of mineralised zones than the Rb/Sr ratio and is therefore recommended in such cases. The less affected lower part of the C horizon would yield the best results.

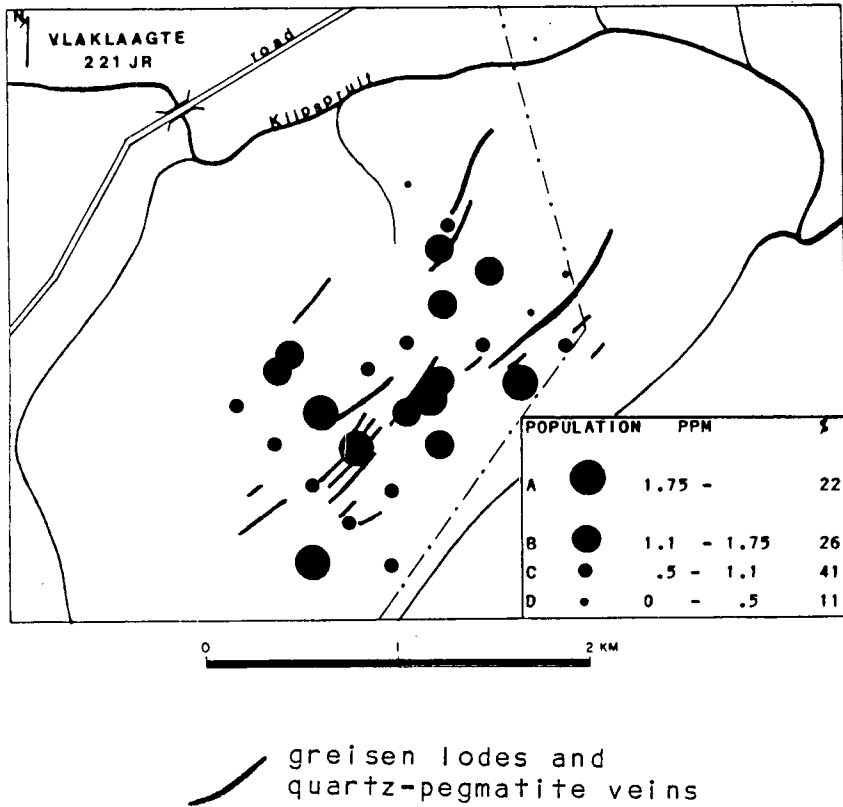


Figure 8-12: Geochemical map showing the variation in the Rb/Ba ratio in the C horizon in the silt-clay fraction.

8.8 GENERAL DISCUSSION

The elements studied in this section can be subdivided into three general groups:

- Mobile chalcophile and siderophile elements (Cu and Mo).
- Mobile lithophile elements (Rb, Sr and Ba).
- Element hosted in resistant minerals (Sn in cassiterite).

Elements of the first group are trapped by iron oxides and never move far from the sources except when mechanical movement is severe. These elements are reasonably reliable lateral indicators for mineralised zones, especially when a combination of the lower part of the lower pebble layer (especially goethite pellets) and the lower part of the C horizon is used.

False anomalies due to iron enrichment occur, especially in the case of Cu, but corrections for the Fe_2O_3 sorptive capacity can rectify this. When both the iron and these elements are enriched above mineralised zones, anomalous sorptive capacities may exist and caution should then be exercised.

Mobile lithophile elements, easily leached and reprecipitated with clay minerals, result in topography dependant anomalies. False anomalies resulting from the topographical control can be very misleading. For these latter elements the lower part of the C horizon is more reliable and ratios appear to be better indicators. Differences in weathering in this zone is a major obstacle.

Elements hosted in resistant minerals yield distribution patterns which are mechanically controlled. In transported soils secondary distribution patterns develop which can be used in regional exploration programmes.

A combination of the Sn concentration and the grain-size distribution of cassiterite in the lower part of the lower pebble layer as well as the concentration ratio between the pebble layer and residual soil can be used for the lateral tracing of possible sources of tin. When the pebble layer is not in direct contact with the residual material the lower part of the zone in contact with the latter should be used instead.

The lower part of the C horizon can only be used to determine the exact position of the ore body.

9 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

Copper, Sn and Mo give the best indication of mineralised zones, depending on the depositional conditions. The Rb/Sr and Rb/Ba ratios also help to outline highly differentiated zones.

The interference of different climatic conditions and variations in topography on the natural soil forming processes over a long period are the major factors to be considered when soil is used for mineral exploration. The mineralogical association of elements and their mobility also play a major role but are controlled by the first two factors.

As a result the lateral and vertical distribution of elements are dependant on:

- The palaeo- and present climatic conditions.
- The topography (palaeo- and present).
- The primary minerals with which the elements are associated and the weatherability of the minerals.
- The predominant end minerals in the soils and their elemental association.
- The mobility of the elements under different Eh-pH conditions.

The palaeo- and present climatic conditions caused at least three periods of soil formation in the area. A palaeo-layer of transported soils, marked by grading, remained below the pebble layer and represents the oldest period of soil formation in the area. Evidence of the high energy palaeo-conditions that followed is still present in the soil profiles in the form of:

- A pebble layer.
- A reducing mottled and pallid zone (expected to be the palaeo-C horizon which developed during water saturation by vertical and lateral moving groundwater on the contact between the consolidated and unconsolidated zone).
- A distinct palaeo-lateritic B₂(R) horizon below the pebble layer.

Presently the soil formation is marked by lower energy conditions. Evidence of this in the soil profiles are:

- A characteristic transported soil cover overlying the residual soils (even on the upper slopes) with the pebble layer the marker between the two.
- Grading of material from the coarse pebble layer upwards into finer material, indicating reducing energy conditions.
- A B₂(T) horizon in the transported soils which is less lateritic, indicating that the present movement of groundwater is mainly downwards with minor fluctuations in the watertable.

The influence of palaeo- and present climatic conditions is therefore evidently a critical factor, resulting in superimposed profiles. Several periods of stripping and deposition are expected throughout the Bushveld Complex, as the pebble layer(s) is universally present.

The topography on the upper slopes has not changed much from the time of palaeo- soil formation and the present stage. At the lower slopes, however, the transported soils thicken considerably causing a decline in the slopes. The lower slopes thus cause problems in separating the transported soils from the residual soils and therefore even more than one pebble layer can be present as witnessed in some profiles in other parts of the Bushveld Complex. A mature stage of erosion is therefore reached in the area where deposition rather than erosion is dominant in the valleys and on the lower slopes. This is also the case in other felsic parts of the Bushveld Complex where similar conditions prevail. In some areas, however, erosion is still dominant (eg. the Zaalplaats area) and better results are expected, due to a less dominant cover of transported soils. The pebble layer is, however, still present, especially at the lower slopes. The topography is thus one of the major factors to be considered during exploration.

The primary mineral(s) in which the elements occur, control the leachability of the elements. Depending on the climatic conditions, some minerals are more weathering resistant (eg. quartz,

cassiterite, zircon, ilmenite, magnetite etc.) than others (eg. feldspars, micas etc.). Elements predominantly associated with the resistant group of minerals (Si, P, V, Zr and Sn in this study) are therefore not leached and mainly mechanically distributed in the soils (both lateral and vertical). The grain-size of the resistate also influences their mechanical distribution.

Those elements which are predominantly associated with the non-resistant group of minerals (eg. Al, Mg, Ca, Na, K, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Rb, Sr, Mo and Ba and also Pb to some extent) are easily leached and mainly chemically distributed.

The problem arises when an element occurs in both resistant and non-resistant minerals (eg. Ti, (V), Mn, Y, Nb, (Sn), Th and U). Depending on the mineral in which it is captured, both mechanical and chemical distribution may be of importance and therefore most confusing distribution patterns may result.

It is thus clear that knowledge of the host mineral phase for each element is a prerequisite for understanding its distribution in soils. Quartz and clay minerals are the predominant end minerals in the secondary environment and therefore together with iron, control the distribution of all the elements. The relative enrichments and depletions of quartz, clay and Fe_2O_3 in the soil profiles are a function of eluviation and illuviation. Quartz is always enriched with eluviation relative to clay, while the inverse applies to illuviation.

An increase in quartz thus dilutes all other elements in the eluvial zones with the exception perhaps of elements captured in other resistates. The elements are thus inversely enriched in the illuvial zones where clay accumulates with the redox potential determining the preference of chalcophile, siderophile or lithophile elements for the zone.

Size fractions in which the quartz, other resistates, clay and Fe-oxides occur, are also a deciding factor when the fraction to be used for a specific element is selected.

The use of $\text{SiO}_2/\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$, $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ and $\text{SiO}_2/\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$ ratios

in conjunction with the mineralogical and chemical parameters, is imperative and requires further investigation.

The mobility of the elements plays a major role in their distribution. Some elements are more mobile than others, for example Sr is more than Ba and Ba more mobile than Rb. The ratios can also easily be distorted as in the case of the Rb/Sr ratio which is only due to varying weathering conditions depending on the topography.

Movement of the following elements (P, V, Mn, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Sn, Pb, Mo and U) is controlled by Fe_2O_3 and are strongly sorbed in oxidised zones (the B horizon and goethite pellets in the pebble layer) when leached upon weathering. Their distribution is therefore dominantly controlled by the distribution of Fe_2O_3 as is seen from the behaviour of Cu and Mo. They do not move as far as the majority of lithophile elements during chemical distribution, because iron which is always present, acts as a trap. A combination of the lower part of the C horizon (silt-clay) and goethite pellets in the lower part of the lower pebble layer proved to be a reliable sampling medium for tracing and locating sources, using the former elements (if not hosted in resistates). Corrections for the Fe_2O_3 sorptive capacity rectifies the false anomalies which resulted.

The lithophile elements (Ti, Mg, Ca, Na, Y, Nb, Rb, Sr, Ba and Th) are very mobile due to the fact that apart from clay minerals, nothing else acts as a trap for these elements. Their major precipitation took place as a result of oversaturation in groundwater (eg. spring area) and adsorption onto clay minerals (eg. spring areas and terraces). For these elements the lower part of the C horizon (silt-clay) is the most reliable sampling medium but when hosted in resistates, results may be confusing.

The elements hosted in resistates yield distribution patterns related to mechanical processes. For resistates enriched in the silt-clay fraction (P, Zr and V), a combination of the lower part of the C horizon and the lower part of the lower pebble layer yields reasonable results. In the case of Sn, however, where grain-size is dependant on the source, a combination of

a) the grain-size population pattern of cassiterite in the lower part of the lower pebble layer, b) the Sn-ratio between the lower part of the lower pebble layer and the residual soils (bulk sample) and c) its concentration in the lower part of the C horizon (sand plus silt-clay) enables the tracing and locating of sources.

When all these factors are taken into consideration, more representative anomalies are obtained on the upper slopes and hill crest where a relatively thin transported soil cover is present. This is especially true when residual soils are sampled. On the middle and lower slopes where a thick transported soil cover is present it was impossible to come to any valid conclusions, because anomalies could have been shielded.

The residual soil is the only soil reflecting the true geochemical character of the area. However, mobile elements leached from the transported soils above may also cause false anomalies in the soils below, especially at the lower slopes.

It is evident from this investigation that the sampling of the B₂ horizon can be disastrous, because transported and residual soils interfere with each other over a broad area. The only horizon which is always present, definitely representing the latest period of soil formation, and of residual origin is the lower part of the C horizon, which is therefore recommended for locating the ore. On the middle and foot slopes, relicts of the mottled and pallid zones are still expected in the upper parts of the C horizon. These zones represent heterogenous material and consequently cause unreliable results, especially for leachable elements. The lower pebble layer and in particular the lower part, being the zone in contact with the residual soils, proved to be a sensitive sampling medium using pathfinders which are mechanically or chemically distributed. It is of the utmost importance only to use the pebble layer if it is in direct contact with the residual soils, if not the zone in direct contact should be used instead. Care should be exercised in areas where two or more zones representing different periods of soil formation and possibly different sources interfere with one another (eg. a palaeo- and younger pebble layer). Horizons formed during separate

periods of soil formation should therefore be treated as individual zones.

The distribution patterns become broader, less defined and less reliable in the order residual soils, colluvium and alluvium.

The following sequence of operations are therefore recommended in the search for tin deposits using Sn, Cu and Mo:

Determine the nature of the overburden.

The nature of the overburden is a critical sampling parameter. As a result it is first necessary to map the approximate boundaries of the different types of overburden in the area (i.e. residual, colluvium and alluvium).

Determine the developing stage of the soil profile.

The stage of development of the soil profile should be the next parameter to be investigated and is in most cases necessary for lateral mapping of the soils.

First, the master horizons have to be distinguished together with the zones of eluviation and illuviation. Then the transported and residual soils should be identified together with all the palaeo-markers caused by palaeo-climatic conditions.

The latter is very important because the distribution of elements will not be the same in different stages of soil formation, depending on both the palaeo-climatic conditions and the topography as already pointed out.

Determine the recommended horizon to be sampled.

The distribution of the elements in the soil profiles are most important in soil sampling.

If the soils in the area are not in a mature stage of development any soil horizon will probably give reasonable results, except along the lower slopes where alluvium is expected. In such a case the zones of illuviation will be the most sensitive for Cu and Mo and the zones of eluviation the most enriched in Sn (providing that cassiterite is the dominant Sn bearing

mineral). Otherwise Sn would also be more sensitive to the Fe-oxide rich zones as a result of its siderophile tendency.

As soon as the soils reach a mature stage of development as in the case studied, the zone to sample becomes critical and the most representative zone should be selected. The lower part of the C horizon and the lower part of the lower pebble layer are recommended for the lateral tracing and the positional determination of the sources for Cu and Mo. The lower part of the pebble layer or horizon in direct contact with the residual material should be used for the lateral tracing of Sn sources (providing that it is predominantly associated with cassiterite) whereafter the lower part of the C horizon should be used for the positional determination of the source. A combination of these horizons present an excellent exploration medium.

The lower part of the C horizon is therefore generally recommended for all three elements, especially if confusion about the nature of the soils exists.

Determine the soil fraction to be sampled.

The most sensitive soil fraction has to be selected to ensure optimum results in the selected zones.

Due to the variation in the grain size of cassiterite, the sand plus silt-clay fraction is recommended (representing all sorts of mineralized zones) in the C horizon. In the pebble layer the grain-size populations of cassiterite and the ratio of Sn concentrations between the lower pebble layer and residual soils (bulk sample) should allow lateral tracing of the source.

For both Cu and Mo the silt-clay fraction is recommended in the C horizon but in the pebble layer goethite pellets are recommended.

Determine the sampling pattern.

From this study it is evident that the traverse lines should be laid out at right angles to the ore structure if the strike direction is known, as in the case studied (Fig. 2-1). The general strike direction of quartz veins would in most cases also give an indication of the general strike direction of mineralized

zones. There is a possibility that the Sn and Mo anomalies could have been missed if the original traverse lines B, C, D, E and F were laid out parallel to the strike direction of the mineralised zones. If the strike direction is unknown a grid with equal intervals is recommended. The grid layouts proposed by Rose *et al.*, (1979) and Levinson (1980) are recommended as a basis to work from.

The modus operandi should therefore be as follows:

1. First the lithochemical Rb/Sr and Rb/Ba ratios should be used on a broad scale (see Walraven, in prep.) to select the correct structural setting of the Bushveld granite. Then alluvium (stream sediments) should be used to locate an area in which a source is shielded (covered). By following the trace of the element upstream it should be possible to locate the point (cut-off point) where the mineralisation is crossed or where the material is supplied by colluvium and/or groundwater from the sides (banks).
2. When this point is reached soil samples from the banks of the stream should be used to locate the side from which the enriched material is supplied.
3. The A horizon can be used directly (if it bears the enriched material) to follow the trace upslope, till another cut-off point is reached, indicating the possible position of the source (which in some cases may well be the case). In most cases, however, lower zones will have to be used to determine the exact position of the source and also the number of other possible mineralised zones normally shielded from exposure by the transported soil cover. The chance is very good that a few mineralised zones occur together and only transported soils would not reveal them all.
4. In order to determine the exact position of all possible mineralised zones in the area the recommended sequence of operations should be followed. However, if time is limited the parameters determined in this study are recommended.

The importance of a preliminary investigation is proved

very clearly and should not be ignored. All parameters set out in this study are expected to be fairly consistent for the Bushveld granites, but should rather be confirmed before a large scale programme is commenced, because one abnormality may cause poor results.

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APPENDIX A: DESCRIPTION, MINERALOGY AND GEOCHEMISTRY OF 32 SOIL PROFILES.

(B₂(R) = B₂ HORIZON IN RESIDUAL SOIL)

(B₂(T) = B₂ HORIZON IN TRANSPORTED SOIL)

LEGEND

H.M. - HEAVY MINERALS

CAS - CASSITERITE

GH - GOETHITE

HEM - HEMATITE

ILM - ILMENITE

LIM - LIMONITE

MAG - MAGNETITE

ZR - ZIRCON

(Fe = TOTAL Fe AS Fe₂O₃)

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|------|----|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.2 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 157 | 1617 | 20 | 230 | 16086 | <5 | <5 | 16 | 10 | 161 | 10 | 55 | 356 | 14 | <5 | 110 | 23 | <5 | 36 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 18.9 | 109 | 1072 | 32 | 163 | 36368 | 8 | <5 | 28 | <5 | 474 | 11 | 57 | 183 | 18 | <5 | 95 | 26 | 11 | 71 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 47.5 | 130 | 1437 | 15 | 200 | 13988 | 7 | <5 | 6 | <5 | 88 | 10 | 46 | 336 | 10 | <5 | 83 | <5 | <5 | 47 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 21.9 | 183 | 1677 | 17 | 230 | 12519 | <5 | <5 | 8 | <5 | 100 | 10 | 51 | 370 | 13 | <5 | 114 | 18 | <5 | 42 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.4 | 283 | 2276 | 8 | 253 | 15596 | <5 | <5 | 12 | 8 | 103 | 12 | 68 | 570 | 14 | <5 | 150 | 15 | <5 | 34 | 19 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.3 | 353 | 3893 | 33 | 416 | 24478 | 12 | 6 | 14 | <5 | 152 | 20 | 137 | 1239 | 21 | <5 | 258 | <5 | 58 | 37 | 14 | |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 182 | 1720 | 30 | 130 | 26186 | 11 | <5 | 14 | 7 | 170 | 7 | 54 | 360 | 16 | <5 | 113 | 17 | <5 | 26 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 10.2 | 231 | 1131 | 85 | 178 | 33142 | 9 | <5 | 25 | 9 | 271 | 7 | 26 | 121 | 19 | <5 | 79 | 23 | <5 | 78 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 47.6 | 135 | 1572 | 14 | 142 | 12243 | <5 | <5 | 7 | <5 | 152 | <5 | 36 | 183 | 11 | <5 | 90 | 10 | <5 | 43 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 27.2 | 162 | 1931 | 16 | 117 | 17248 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 173 | 7 | 49 | 271 | 15 | <5 | 112 | 9 | <5 | 36 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.5 | 221 | 3324 | 23 | 143 | 22132 | 12 | 8 | 16 | 14 | 225 | 9 | 106 | 806 | 23 | <5 | 175 | 15 | <5 | 53 | 27 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.5 | 269 | 4123 | 41 | 198 | 33156 | 16 | 14 | 41 | 35 | 296 | 16 | 125 | 925 | 27 | <5 | 219 | 17 | <5 | 57 | 41 | 12 |
| P | 0.4 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND CAS, BIOTITE, H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM, CAS AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 122 | 1377 | 17 | 178 | 20982 | <5 | <5 | 19 | <5 | 255 | 9 | 57 | 283 | 14 | <5 | 105 | 70 | <5 | 38 | 20 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 41.5 | 87 | 898 | 19 | 253 | 30669 | <5 | <5 | 24 | <5 | 418 | 12 | 57 | 168 | 12 | <5 | 89 | 97 | 14 | 57 | 24 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 35.9 | 165 | 1678 | 15 | 148 | 16086 | <5 | <5 | 15 | <5 | 162 | 7 | 50 | 291 | 12 | <5 | 86 | 48 | <5 | 31 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 14.4 | 209 | 2036 | 23 | 200 | 22240 | <5 | <5 | 21 | 13 | 147 | 10 | 59 | 375 | 15 | <5 | 120 | 50 | <5 | 41 | 20 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 4.0 | 226 | 2515 | 20 | 186 | 21681 | 8 | <5 | 21 | <5 | 188 | 10 | 77 | 553 | 15 | <5 | 150 | 43 | <5 | 41 | 19 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.2 | 288 | 3594 | 41 | 267 | 34970 | 19 | 16 | 37 | 22 | 306 | 16 | 133 | 966 | 21 | <5 | 200 | 31 | <5 | 60 | 38 | 12 |
| B ₂ (R) | 1.0 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION WITH MOTTLED STRUCTURES). | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; ENRICHED IN KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, CAS, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 170 | 2668 | 48 | 565 | 42663 | 16 | 12 | 44 | 36 | 258 | 10 | 76 | 408 | 21 | <5 | 190 | 63 | <5 | 112 | 31 | 8 |
| | | | | >2 | 33.7 | 135 | 2216 | 46 | 893 | 37068 | 10 | <5 | 27 | 13 | 328 | 8 | 64 | 316 | 14 | <5 | 283 | 51 | <5 | 168 | 24 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 36.3 | 170 | 2575 | 50 | 550 | 36368 | 12 | 10 | 28 | 20 | 230 | 9 | 75 | 421 | 16 | <5 | 192 | 33 | <5 | 130 | 27 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 15.2 | 205 | 3414 | 55 | 454 | 43362 | 27 | 13 | 37 | 21 | 249 | 9 | 92 | 525 | 20 | <5 | 206 | 26 | <5 | 97 | 34 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.5 | 226 | 3534 | 56 | 364 | 44761 | 19 | 33 | 43 | 32 | 233 | 10 | 96 | 595 | 19 | <5 | 184 | 43 | <5 | 89 | 34 | 7 |
| | | | | <.075 | 7.3 | 205 | 3833 | 52 | 394 | 48258 | 31 | 21 | 64 | 35 | 288 | 10 | 109 | 654 | 26 | <5 | 194 | 54 | <5 | 88 | 42 | 8 |
| B ₃ | 1.2 | WHITISH-GREY HORIZON CONTAINING MUCH CLAY MINERALS. THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE IS STILL PRESERVED. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR); ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; WHITE CONCRETIONS OF MAINLY KAOLINITE. H.M.- MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM CAS, AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 90 | 2300 | 39 | 510 | 33150 | 16 | 11 | 24 | 35 | 325 | 10 | 70 | 362 | 24 | <5 | 191 | 52 | <5 | 101 | 31 | 9 |
| | | | | >2 | 31.2 | 103 | 1910 | 48 | 493 | 51420 | 12 | 15 | 30 | 38 | 424 | 9 | 63 | 273 | 26 | <5 | 178 | 43 | <5 | 85 | 30 | 7 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 38.3 | 92 | 2212 | 26 | 375 | 29656 | 8 | 7 | 21 | 32 | 315 | 6 | 58 | 321 | 21 | <5 | 165 | 26 | <5 | 51 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 15.7 | 151 | 2931 | 34 | 333 | 23525 | 7 | 12 | 27 | 47 | 276 | 9 | 73 | 454 | 20 | <5 | 168 | 21 | <5 | 63 | 26 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.0 | 213 | 4114 | 48 | 356 | 30111 | 16 | 17 | 39 | 51 | 293 | 10 | 106 | 762 | 24 | <5 | 235 | 36 | <5 | 72 | 35 | 7 |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.8 | 219 | 4362 | 65 | 440 | 42725 | 21 | 34 | 54 | 74 | 366 | 14 | 115 | 783 | 32 | <5 | 262 | 43 | <5 | 85 | 49 | 10 |
| C | 1.7 | BROWN WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | QUARTZ; KAOLINISED, ILLITISED AND HEMATITISED FELDSPARS; CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED BIOTITE. H.M.- HEM, MAG, CAS, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 35 | 1510 | 11 | 361 | 31200 | 8 | 12 | 12 | 28 | 430 | 11 | 69 | 267 | 31 | <5 | 185 | 43 | <5 | 75 | 35 | 7 |
| | | | | >2 | 40.1 | 32 | 1420 | 7 | 341 | 30526 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 17 | 621 | 9 | 65 | 238 | 26 | <5 | 172 | 31 | <5 | 92 | 28 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 42.2 | 41 | 1380 | 7 | 285 | 27892 | <5 | <5 | 5 | 18 | 536 | 8 | 61 | 237 | 24 | <5 | 155 | 19 | <5 | 61 | 26 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.5 | 36 | 1210 | 8 | 336 | 40288 | 16 | 21 | 10 | 22 | 652 | 10 | 71 | 283 | 32 | <5 | 201 | 17 | <5 | 85 | 37 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 4.4 | 52 | 1731 | 10 | 395 | 54241 | 20 | 22 | 19 | 36 | 764 | 12 | 102 | 461 | 40 | <5 | 253 | 24 | <5 | 73 | 61 | 9 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.8 | 53 | 1785 | 8 | 361 | 58921 | 21 | 20 | 36 | 40 | 753 | 12 | 95 | 389 | 45 | <5 | 283 | 32 | <5 | 72 | 69 | 11 |
| R | 1.7 | WEATHERED VLAKLAAGTE GRANITE. | QUARTZ; SERICITISED AND KAOLINISED POTASH FELDSPAR AND PLAGIOCLASE; THE BIOTITE IS CHLORITISED. H.M. - MAG, CAS, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | | | 44 | 1371 | 10 | 208 | 22589 | <5 | <5 | 25 | 13 | 735 | 12 | 60 | 224 | 21 | <5 | 205 | 26 | <5 | 84 | 24 | <5 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 1 on red-grey Vlaklaagte granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPH) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|-----|-------|-------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.2 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 104 | 1737 | 17 | 62 | 4895 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 73 | 8 | 33 | 355 | 11 | <5 | 89 | 13 | <5 | 11 | 5 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 3.4 | 96 | 1976 | 29 | 74 | 9791 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 83 | 10 | 43 | 443 | 13 | <5 | 105 | 7 | <5 | 29 | 11 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 55.8 | 87 | 1317 | 15 | 25 | 3636 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 51 | 5 | 20 | 212 | 8 | <5 | 60 | <5 | <5 | 16 | <5 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 25.7 | 117 | 2036 | 21 | 81 | 7973 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 100 | 9 | 36 | 349 | 11 | <5 | 127 | 7 | <5 | 25 | 6 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 9.7 | 153 | 2527 | 15 | 89 | 6294 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 90 | 10 | 54 | 567 | 16 | <5 | 127 | 23 | <5 | 20 | 11 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.4 | 231 | 4193 | 22 | 178 | 10491 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 116 | 18 | 105 | 1207 | 23 | <5 | 181 | <5 | <5 | 26 | 25 | 8 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.35 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 104 | 2216 | 34 | 34 | 15386 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 100 | 10 | 52 | 450 | 19 | <5 | 110 | <5 | <5 | 27 | 27 | 15 | |
| | | | | >2 | 6.0 | 130 | 2336 | 29 | 29 | 14407 | <5 | <5 | 10 | 12 | 91 | 10 | 39 | 399 | 12 | <5 | 96 | <5 | <5 | 32 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 65.5 | 87 | 1916 | 23 | 14 | 11889 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 78 | 8 | 30 | 310 | 10 | <5 | 72 | <5 | <5 | 28 | 6 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 18.0 | 130 | 2995 | 23 | 35 | 16086 | <5 | 12 | 9 | 7 | 120 | 12 | 45 | 422 | 15 | <5 | 146 | 11 | <5 | 27 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.7 | 139 | 3474 | 20 | 61 | 14689 | <5 | 17 | 10 | 9 | 114 | 14 | 61 | 646 | 19 | <5 | 145 | 17 | <5 | 26 | 24 | 8 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.8 | 144 | 4252 | 35 | 70 | 18883 | 8 | 5 | 9 | 9 | 139 | 16 | 95 | 1028 | 23 | <5 | 167 | <5 | <5 | 29 | 27 | 18 |
| A ₃ | 0.45 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 78 | 2276 | 23 | 8 | 11190 | 5 | <5 | 7 | <5 | 94 | 10 | 41 | 399 | 15 | <5 | 107 | 7 | <5 | 26 | 14 | 5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 2.5 | 65 | 1725 | 60 | 7 | 18883 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 79 | 11 | 38 | 343 | 13 | <5 | 153 | <5 | <5 | 32 | 17 | 9 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 58.6 | 82 | 1856 | 23 | 7 | 8392 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 73 | 7 | 27 | 262 | 9 | <5 | 83 | <5 | <5 | 27 | 6 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 26.0 | 130 | 3354 | 27 | 15 | 15386 | <5 | 9 | 5 | 128 | 10 | 49 | 475 | 15 | <5 | 158 | 7 | <5 | 19 | 13 | <5 | |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.5 | 153 | 3773 | 30 | 49 | 17485 | <5 | 5 | 7 | <5 | 126 | 12 | 66 | 702 | 18 | <5 | 141 | <5 | <5 | 30 | 19 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.4 | 174 | 4911 | 33 | 63 | 21681 | 13 | 14 | 19 | 7 | 149 | 15 | 95 | 1000 | 27 | <5 | 195 | 19 | <5 | 25 | 29 | 8 |
| B ₁ | 0.55 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 88 | 2371 | 26 | 10 | 13120 | <5 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 95 | 10 | 42 | 385 | 14 | <5 | 106 | 8 | <5 | 25 | 14 | 6 | |
| | | | | >2 | 3.0 | 74 | 1824 | 61 | 9 | 20526 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 82 | 10 | 40 | 320 | 13 | <5 | 149 | <5 | <5 | 29 | 16 | 7 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 57.2 | 93 | 1932 | 25 | 9 | 10256 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 72 | 7 | 29 | 225 | 8 | <5 | 85 | 7 | <5 | 29 | 7 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 27.4 | 141 | 3421 | 29 | 17 | 17482 | <5 | 13 | 11 | <5 | 134 | 11 | 50 | 467 | 14 | <5 | 155 | 8 | <5 | 21 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.7 | 162 | 3823 | 31 | 51 | 19252 | 6 | 23 | 10 | 8 | 131 | 12 | 67 | 692 | 17 | <5 | 169 | 9 | <5 | 32 | 20 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.7 | 183 | 5052 | 34 | 67 | 23252 | 14 | 20 | 21 | 13 | 156 | 14 | 97 | 983 | 25 | <5 | 189 | 20 | <5 | 27 | 29 | 10 |
| B ₂ (T) | 0.6 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 109 | 2455 | 29 | 15 | 15806 | <5 | 6 | 6 | 96 | 9 | 43 | 397 | 13 | <5 | 104 | <5 | <5 | 24 | 12 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 3.7 | 126 | 1497 | 188 | 12 | 70639 | 20 | 14 | 24 | <5 | 56 | 5 | 27 | 249 | 11 | <5 | 36 | <5 | <5 | 21 | 9 | 7 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 54.2 | 83 | 1617 | 23 | 19 | 11889 | <5 | 5 | <5 | 66 | 6 | 24 | 225 | 9 | <5 | 65 | 12 | <5 | 24 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 27.1 | 165 | 3713 | 43 | 53 | 22380 | <5 | 29 | 14 | 15 | 142 | 14 | 58 | 512 | 18 | <5 | 178 | 7 | <5 | 33 | 22 | 7 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 9.1 | 200 | 4612 | 39 | 70 | 26577 | 8 | 27 | 19 | 17 | 148 | 15 | 79 | 776 | 24 | <5 | 195 | 14 | <5 | 25 | 30 | 10 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.9 | 196 | 4971 | 43 | 104 | 29374 | 14 | 29 | 22 | 20 | 162 | 16 | 96 | 902 | 25 | <5 | 199 | <5 | <5 | 31 | 31 | 8 |
| P | 1.1 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 122 | 2575 | 87 | 8 | 40565 | 11 | 7 | 18 | <5 | 90 | 10 | 45 | 418 | 15 | <5 | 111 | <5 | <5 | 24 | 18 | 7 | |
| | | | | >2 | 40.3 | 10 | 1138 | 164 | 12 | 97216 | 58 | 34 | 51 | <5 | 49 | <5 | 30 | 301 | 12 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 12 | 14 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 31.5 | 104 | 1976 | 30 | 14 | 16086 | <5 | 6 | <5 | 67 | 7 | 28 | 265 | 11 | <5 | 75 | 11 | <5 | 22 | 8 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 17.7 | 161 | 3833 | 41 | 47 | 21681 | <5 | 5 | <5 | 134 | 11 | 62 | 534 | 15 | <5 | 195 | <5 | <5 | 40 | 20 | <5 | |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.2 | 187 | 4672 | 41 | 41 | 26577 | 10 | 14 | 19 | 5 | 135 | 13 | 80 | 785 | 23 | <5 | 186 | 8 | <5 | 25 | 28 | 9 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.3 | 192 | 5031 | 53 | 67 | 3357 | 18 | 27 | 25 | 10 | 143 | 14 | 96 | 964 | 25 | <5 | 214 | <5 | <5 | 30 | 31 | 9 |
| C | 1.3 | BROWN HORIZON OF HIGHLY WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | MAINLY QUARTZ; ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; H.M - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 206 | 3001 | 26 | 232 | 38255 | 13 | 10 | 71 | 21 | 225 | 22 | 75 | 389 | 24 | <5 | 251 | 19 | <5 | 63 | 29 | 6 | |
| | | | | >2 | 32.5 | 358 | 2621 | 65 | 411 | 60824 | 25 | 15 | 149 | 14 | 199 | 18 | 63 | 334 | 19 | <5 | 183 | 7 | <5 | 97 | 27 | 8 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 36.9 | 209 | 2631 | 17 | 212 | 32526 | 10 | 7 | 72 | 15 | 252 | 23 | 69 | 292 | 22 | <5 | 302 | 23 | <5 | 59 | 28 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 16.3 | 191 | 3245 | 12 | 198 | 31252 | 9 | <5 | 65 | 13 | 273 | 23 | 70 | 326 | 23 | <5 | 333 | 25 | <5 | 55 | 28 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.6 | 223 | 4152 | 25 | 256 | 41262 | 15 | 17 | 82 | 32 | 249 | 24 | 101 | 552 | 31 | <5 | 279 | 39 | <5 | 54 | 41 | 9 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.7 | 221 | 4183 | 41 | 309 | 45212 | 26 | 20 | 99 | 25 | 222 | 18 | 115 | 676 | 33 | <5 | 243 | 12 | <5 | 79 | 47 | 14 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 2 possibly on Vlakaagte granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|-----|-----|-------|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|------|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Hf | Mo | Ba | Sr | Sr | Sn | W | Pb |
| A ₁ | 0.3 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 154 | 1783 | 14 | 115 | 11523 | <5 | <5 | 12 | <5 | 98 | 13 | 42 | 313 | 13 | <5 | 127 | 18 | <5 | 40 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 4.8 | 152 | 2156 | 23 | 126 | 16082 | <5 | <5 | 19 | <5 | 109 | 12 | 65 | 482 | 14 | <5 | 139 | <5 | <5 | 59 | 19 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 61.1 | 139 | 1737 | 13 | 108 | 14407 | <5 | <5 | 12 | <5 | 85 | 10 | 43 | 317 | 10 | <5 | 85 | <5 | <5 | 57 | 7 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 24.4 | 157 | 1880 | 13 | 119 | 11819 | <5 | <5 | 12 | <5 | 101 | 11 | 45 | 322 | 12 | <5 | 131 | 21 | <5 | 40 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.5 | 187 | 2276 | 18 | 148 | 17485 | <5 | <5 | 17 | <5 | 111 | 15 | 74 | 600 | 16 | <5 | 140 | 15 | <5 | 49 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 3.2 | 283 | 4252 | 39 | 312 | 26577 | 20 | <5 | 44 | 8 | 167 | 24 | 150 | 1254 | 28 | <5 | 257 | <5 | 60 | 31 | 12 | |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.5 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 183 | 2695 | 34 | 88 | 28675 | 11 | <5 | 54 | 8 | 135 | 10 | 62 | 405 | 14 | <5 | 125 | <5 | 47 | 14 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 12.6 | 196 | 2875 | 46 | 126 | 34900 | 11 | 8 | 47 | 14 | 136 | 10 | 62 | 414 | 13 | <5 | 135 | <5 | 42 | 6 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 40.8 | 148 | 2096 | 24 | 58 | 21681 | <5 | <5 | 36 | <5 | 99 | 6 | 43 | 294 | 10 | <5 | 87 | <5 | 42 | 6 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 27.5 | 205 | 2815 | 37 | 111 | 31473 | 10 | 6 | 45 | 12 | 149 | 12 | 65 | 409 | 13 | <5 | 130 | <5 | 52 | 16 | <5 | |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 11.2 | 226 | 3594 | 46 | 111 | 38467 | 24 | 13 | 72 | 14 | 181 | 13 | 102 | 742 | 19 | <5 | 159 | <5 | 59 | 26 | <5 | |
| | | | | <.075 | 7.9 | 248 | 4133 | 69 | 163 | 51056 | 32 | 38 | 92 | 35 | 226 | 15 | 116 | 730 | 24 | <5 | 182 | <5 | 62 | 34 | 8 | |
| A ₃ | 0.7 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 196 | 2755 | 41 | 141 | 31473 | 13 | 8 | 49 | 16 | 135 | 13 | 73 | 483 | 17 | <5 | 119 | <5 | 55 | 21 | 7 | |
| | | | | >2 | 10.3 | 178 | 2635 | 38 | 89 | 27976 | 13 | <5 | 44 | <5 | 123 | 8 | 68 | 458 | 14 | <5 | 117 | <5 | 59 | 18 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 38.1 | 144 | 1677 | 23 | 72 | 19583 | <5 | <5 | 25 | <5 | 87 | 9 | 43 | 261 | 8 | <5 | 57 | <5 | 57 | 7 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 27.2 | 209 | 3174 | 41 | 89 | 32172 | 15 | <5 | 60 | 10 | 154 | 11 | 74 | 453 | 15 | <5 | 137 | <5 | 62 | 19 | <5 | |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 13.2 | 248 | 3893 | 53 | 141 | 41264 | 22 | 22 | 64 | 21 | 179 | 15 | 111 | 800 | 22 | <5 | 160 | <5 | 65 | 30 | 9 | |
| | | | | <.075 | 11.2 | 253 | 4193 | 70 | 148 | 47559 | 35 | 27 | 95 | 24 | 208 | 14 | 122 | 789 | 22 | <5 | 174 | <5 | 64 | 33 | 7 | |
| B ₁ | 0.9 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 194 | 2757 | 43 | 138 | 30284 | 12 | 7 | 45 | 14 | 130 | 11 | 69 | 471 | 15 | <5 | 120 | <5 | 54 | 19 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 11.4 | 183 | 2677 | 37 | 99 | 28120 | 11 | <5 | 41 | <5 | 124 | 9 | 69 | 447 | 14 | <5 | 119 | <5 | 53 | 18 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 37.0 | 152 | 1882 | 26 | 89 | 19998 | 6 | <5 | 24 | 7 | 98 | 8 | 52 | 282 | 9 | <5 | 68 | <5 | 51 | 9 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 26.2 | 201 | 3272 | 39 | 97 | 33242 | 13 | 11 | 56 | 11 | 157 | 12 | 77 | 473 | 17 | <5 | 141 | <5 | 57 | 20 | 7 | |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 14.2 | 251 | 3882 | 56 | 145 | 42611 | 19 | 13 | 59 | 24 | 183 | 14 | 114 | 812 | 24 | <5 | 166 | <5 | 59 | 33 | 7 | |
| | | | | <.075 | 11.2 | 257 | 4212 | 69 | 162 | 49152 | 32 | 29 | 99 | 29 | 215 | 17 | 127 | 805 | 26 | <5 | 173 | <5 | 58 | 36 | 10 | |
| B ₂ (T) | 1.3 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 187 | 2695 | 42 | 109 | 31374 | 10 | <5 | 40 | <5 | 121 | 10 | 65 | 444 | 11 | <5 | 123 | <5 | 54 | 16 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 19.2 | 196 | 2911 | 50 | 141 | 35669 | 10 | <5 | 46 | 9 | 112 | 9 | 57 | 405 | 13 | <5 | 105 | <5 | 66 | 17 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 38.8 | 146 | 2078 | 23 | 44 | 18883 | <5 | <5 | 32 | <5 | 86 | 7 | 41 | 284 | 9 | <5 | 73 | <5 | 51 | 7 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 24.4 | 231 | 3833 | 44 | 119 | 39166 | 20 | 15 | 70 | 27 | 166 | 13 | 83 | 543 | 22 | <5 | 147 | <5 | 47 | 28 | <5 | |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 11.1 | 240 | 4013 | 58 | 148 | 41964 | 24 | 17 | 66 | 9 | 184 | 13 | 113 | 829 | 20 | <5 | 166 | <5 | 64 | 30 | 6 | |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.5 | 266 | 4552 | 61 | 171 | 50356 | 31 | 35 | 107 | 33 | 222 | 15 | 125 | 820 | 28 | <5 | 173 | <5 | 49 | 39 | 9 | |
| P | 1.6 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 183 | 2156 | 174 | 163 | 99998 | 34 | 29 | 98 | <5 | 93 | 10 | 58 | 371 | 15 | <5 | 45 | <5 | 46 | 25 | 17 | |
| | | | | >2 | 69.3 | 135 | 1725 | 211 | 171 | 99898 | 54 | 28 | 102 | <5 | 69 | 7 | 45 | 294 | 11 | <5 | 45 | <5 | 55 | 24 | 21 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 13.8 | 196 | 3174 | 70 | 186 | 53154 | 19 | 16 | 61 | 26 | 138 | 12 | 73 | 431 | 17 | <5 | 136 | 16 | <5 | 60 | 24 | 7 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 10.8 | 218 | 3594 | 56 | 156 | 44761 | 23 | 11 | 69 | 8 | 167 | 12 | 93 | 591 | 20 | <5 | 161 | <5 | 58 | 28 | <5 | |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 2.9 | 235 | 3773 | 62 | 178 | 47559 | 21 | 21 | 71 | 22 | 178 | 14 | 109 | 725 | 22 | <5 | 160 | <5 | 60 | 31 | 7 | |
| | | | | <.075 | 3.2 | 214 | 3773 | 70 | 183 | 50356 | 32 | 18 | 94 | 18 | 187 | 15 | 114 | 700 | 22 | <5 | 172 | <5 | 66 | 32 | 7 | |
| C | 1.7 | BROWN HORIZON OF HIGHLY WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | MAINLY QUARTZ; ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; H.M. - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 208 | 3010 | 25 | 245 | 37152 | 14 | 11 | 69 | 19 | 305 | 23 | 91 | 432 | 24 | <5 | 305 | 10 | <5 | 54 | 31 | 6 |
| | | | | >2 | 19.3 | 371 | 2621 | 59 | 448 | 79232 | 25 | 16 | 148 | 13 | 277 | 16 | 74 | 365 | 22 | <5 | 235 | <5 | 89 | 29 | 10 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 58.4 | 219 | 2734 | 17 | 231 | 32156 | 10 | 6 | 65 | 13 | 365 | 23 | 79 | 321 | 22 | <5 | 362 | 11 | <5 | 65 | 27 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 12.8 | 204 | 3212 | 11 | 211 | 30542 | 11 | 7 | 63 | 11 | 382 | 24 | 81 | 354 | 23 | <5 | 382 | 21 | <5 | 59 | 29 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 4.4 | 239 | 4156 | 25 | 251 | 41121 | 17 | 17 | 81 | 29 | 363 | 24 | 117 | 619 | 29 | <5 | 331 | 22 | <5 | 57 | 39 | 9 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.1 | 222 | 4215 | 37 | 305 | 46194 | 29 | 19 | 99 | 24 | 311 | 18 | 131 | 721 | 31 | <5 | 298 | 9 | <5 | 73 | 45 | 9 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 3 on Vlaklaagte granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPH) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|-----|-------|-------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|------|----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.15 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 122 | 1677 | 9 | 104 | 11540 | <5 | 9 | 17 | 7 | 114 | 14 | 56 | 390 | 14 | <5 | 151 | 52 | <5 | 39 | 13 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 3.6 | 144 | 1976 | 10 | 89 | 13148 | <5 | <5 | 18 | <5 | 117 | 13 | 64 | 452 | 17 | <5 | 166 | 75 | <5 | 39 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 40.2 | 104 | 1317 | 7 | 74 | 9791 | <5 | 8 | 10 | <5 | 86 | 9 | 41 | 287 | 13 | <5 | 87 | 63 | <5 | 33 | 11 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 38.5 | 130 | 1797 | <5 | 81 | 9092 | <5 | <5 | 16 | <5 | 121 | 12 | 45 | 300 | 15 | <5 | 171 | 81 | <5 | 34 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 12.3 | 187 | 2635 | 12 | 148 | 14687 | <5 | <5 | 19 | <5 | 156 | 20 | 93 | 703 | 20 | <5 | 431 | 77 | <5 | 46 | 23 | 7 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.4 | 309 | 4193 | 28 | 312 | 27276 | 11 | 12 | 38 | 21 | 201 | 28 | 179 | 1378 | 30 | <5 | 320 | 81 | <5 | 52 | 43 | 18 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 130 | 2036 | 11 | 52 | 13988 | <5 | <5 | 26 | <5 | 125 | 11 | 68 | 374 | 16 | <5 | 163 | 83 | <5 | 45 | 12 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 5.5 | 117 | 1797 | 17 | 81 | 19513 | <5 | 64 | 26 | 11 | 118 | 12 | 58 | 390 | 16 | <5 | 131 | 75 | <5 | 43 | 19 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 38.8 | 240 | 4612 | 34 | 171 | 32172 | 19 | 13 | 63 | 16 | 230 | 19 | 167 | 1229 | 30 | <5 | 297 | 48 | <5 | 48 | 42 | 13 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 38.8 | 109 | 1557 | 10 | 41 | 13288 | <5 | 20 | 17 | 6 | 131 | 12 | 51 | 308 | 14 | <5 | 148 | 55 | <5 | 38 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 10.5 | 205 | 2995 | 13 | 96 | 23779 | <5 | 37 | 40 | 17 | 184 | 17 | 90 | 594 | 22 | <5 | 237 | 59 | <5 | 43 | 23 | 7 |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.4 | 74 | 1299 | 13 | 44 | 10491 | <5 | <5 | 17 | <5 | 97 | 11 | 43 | 283 | 12 | <5 | 116 | 30 | <5 | 42 | 15 | 6 |
| A ₃ | 0.45 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 135 | 2036 | 20 | 89 | 21681 | <5 | 89 | 38 | 17 | 144 | 12 | 63 | 427 | 16 | <5 | 148 | 38 | <5 | 46 | 18 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 10.6 | 148 | 2276 | 17 | 70 | 20982 | 6 | <5 | 36 | 6 | 134 | 8 | 58 | 388 | 15 | <5 | 135 | 48 | <5 | 39 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 45.9 | 139 | 1856 | 20 | 58 | 18184 | <5 | 9 | 28 | 15 | 116 | 9 | 48 | 316 | 14 | <5 | 109 | 87 | <5 | 45 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 29.6 | 152 | 2396 | 11 | 55 | 1883 | <5 | <5 | 41 | 9 | 152 | 10 | 56 | 367 | 15 | <5 | 162 | 58 | <5 | 45 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.3 | 209 | 3354 | 23 | 133 | 29374 | 9 | 33 | 57 | 15 | 196 | 15 | 102 | 747 | 20 | <5 | 243 | 34 | <5 | 47 | 28 | 6 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.6 | 240 | 4372 | 42 | 133 | 41264 | 28 | 36 | 99 | 37 | 247 | 16 | 136 | 966 | 27 | <5 | 256 | 36 | <5 | 54 | 39 | 9 |
| B ₁ | 0.6 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 183 | 2815 | 29 | 81 | 29374 | 14 | 75 | 67 | 23 | 167 | 10 | 71 | 439 | 17 | <5 | 182 | 145 | <5 | 44 | 22 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 10.3 | 200 | 2695 | 33 | 96 | 33291 | 10 | 6 | 53 | 25 | 154 | 9 | 62 | 397 | 15 | <5 | 139 | 37 | <5 | 42 | 20 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 46.9 | 152 | 2156 | 18 | 54 | 20970 | 7 | <5 | 44 | 11 | 126 | 6 | 48 | 321 | 12 | <5 | 117 | 24 | <5 | 37 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 26.8 | 213 | 2995 | 27 | 104 | 33571 | 12 | <5 | 62 | 33 | 177 | 11 | 68 | 395 | 16 | <5 | 173 | 34 | <5 | 47 | 22 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.8 | 261 | 3773 | 41 | 133 | 41964 | 20 | 24 | 76 | 38 | 217 | 15 | 111 | 717 | 23 | <5 | 230 | 28 | <5 | 53 | 35 | 9 |
| | | | | <.075 | 7.2 | 248 | 4073 | 54 | 163 | 50356 | 33 | 56 | 99 | 53 | 259 | 16 | 126 | 811 | 28 | <5 | 247 | 59 | <5 | 57 | 44 | 10 |
| B ₂ (T) | 10.9 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 240 | 3174 | 25 | 119 | 34970 | 14 | 32 | 67 | 34 | 174 | 12 | 80 | 486 | 18 | <5 | 197 | 34 | <5 | 45 | 24 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 12.9 | 209 | 2991 | 31 | 111 | 33571 | 14 | <5 | 58 | 16 | 153 | 8 | 72 | 467 | 16 | <5 | 167 | 26 | <5 | 52 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 38.4 | 166 | 2036 | 16 | 66 | 22380 | <5 | <5 | 35 | 17 | 112 | 7 | 49 | 291 | 12 | <5 | 97 | 38 | <5 | 37 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 26.3 | 226 | 3054 | 23 | 89 | 30074 | 10 | <5 | 62 | 20 | 172 | 10 | 72 | 424 | 18 | <5 | 185 | 40 | <5 | 44 | 20 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 12.7 | 218 | 3594 | 30 | 126 | 38467 | 24 | 62 | 86 | 30 | 220 | 13 | 103 | 701 | 22 | <5 | 236 | 51 | <5 | 48 | 32 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 9.5 | 257 | 4312 | 46 | 141 | 47559 | 33 | 28 | 114 | 45 | 244 | 13 | 129 | 805 | 27 | <5 | 227 | 38 | <5 | 53 | 41 | 8 |
| P | 1.6 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 248 | 3114 | 64 | 148 | 60148 | 25 | 12 | 82 | 22 | 171 | 10 | 87 | 508 | 19 | <5 | 201 | 46 | <5 | 48 | 30 | 7 | |
| | | | | >2 | 50.7 | 218 | 1497 | 154 | 126 | 98475 | 27 | 18 | 70 | 8 | 62 | 5 | 45 | 239 | 11 | <5 | <5 | 35 | <5 | 39 | 22 | 16 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 23.7 | 196 | 2977 | 34 | 141 | 37767 | 15 | <5 | 62 | 17 | 166 | 9 | 77 | 418 | 18 | <5 | 325 | 78 | <5 | 53 | 24 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 13.2 | 240 | 3653 | 38 | 163 | 42663 | 16 | 18 | 79 | 43 | 223 | 13 | 99 | 523 | 24 | <5 | 211 | 63 | <5 | 55 | 34 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.8 | 248 | 3833 | 37 | 178 | 44761 | 21 | 48 | 88 | 159 | 230 | 15 | 131 | 741 | 27 | <5 | 227 | 68 | <5 | 63 | 39 | 8 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.6 | 253 | 4193 | 54 | 223 | 51056 | 28 | 31 | 94 | 46 | 250 | 15 | 163 | 868 | 25 | <5 | 242 | 35 | <5 | 76 | 47 | 11 |
| C | 2.1 | BROWN HORIZON OF HIGHLY WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | MAINLY QUARTZ; ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; H.M - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 187 | 3174 | 35 | 163 | 41961 | 17 | 11 | 72 | 35 | 206 | 13 | 94 | 530 | 23 | <5 | 229 | 19 | <5 | 47 | 31 | 6 | |
| | | | | >2 | 24.9 | 192 | 2935 | 78 | 141 | 60847 | 22 | 8 | 74 | 20 | 170 | 8 | 83 | 448 | 19 | <5 | 149 | 13 | <5 | 62 | 26 | 6 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 39.5 | 170 | 2875 | 21 | 133 | 30074 | 9 | <5 | 59 | 32 | 191 | 11 | 82 | 449 | 21 | <5 | 178 | 23 | <5 | 47 | 26 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 17.9 | 209 | 3534 | 31 | 186 | 37068 | 11 | 11 | 75 | 24 | 242 | 15 | 100 | 514 | 22 | <5 | 252 | 17 | <5 | 67 | 33 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 10.8 | 209 | 3893 | 27 | 163 | 38467 | 23 | 10 | 97 | 37 | 240 | 14 | 123 | 735 | 28 | <5 | 261 | 37 | <5 | 58 | 37 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.9 | 205 | 4552 | 39 | 215 | 45461 | 30 | 30 | 112 | 43 | 275 | 15 | 158 | 969 | 33 | <5 | 259 | 29 | <5 | 68 | 50 | 12 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 4 on Vlaklaagte granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPH) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|-----|------|-------|-----|-------|-----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U | | |
| A ₁ | 0.3 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 1.8 | 113 | 1377 | 15 | 96 | 14687 | <5 | <5 | 16 | 7 | 136 | 18 | 50 | 328 | 15 | <5 | 174 | 44 | <5 | 48 | 12 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 30.9 | 130 | 1317 | 11 | 89 | 11889 | <5 | <5 | 11 | <5 | 101 | 13 | 37 | 249 | 12 | <5 | 124 | 62 | <5 | 51 | 10 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 53.3 | 139 | 1557 | 8 | 59 | 8392 | <5 | <5 | 11 | <5 | 139 | 16 | 39 | 256 | 13 | <5 | 208 | 53 | <5 | 48 | 10 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 9.6 | 261 | 2455 | 9 | 119 | 16086 | <5 | <5 | 17 | <5 | 227 | 27 | 69 | 542 | 22 | <5 | 310 | 55 | <5 | 60 | 21 | 7 | | |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.5 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 2.4 | 152 | 2336 | 11 | 24 | 20282 | 10 | <5 | 44 | 10 | 164 | 14 | 52 | 352 | 18 | <5 | 178 | 45 | <5 | 43 | 14 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 44.8 | 152 | 2396 | 10 | 20 | 18883 | 9 | <5 | 40 | 7 | 140 | 11 | 47 | 310 | 16 | <5 | 176 | 55 | <5 | 46 | 14 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 41.4 | 170 | 2396 | 13 | 52 | 21891 | <5 | <5 | 38 | 15 | 166 | 15 | 48 | 293 | 16 | <5 | 212 | 85 | <5 | 54 | 14 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 6.6 | 205 | 3713 | 21 | 74 | 33571 | 18 | 7 | 70 | 19 | 242 | 20 | 98 | 686 | 26 | <5 | 273 | 52 | <5 | 64 | 31 | <5 | | |
| A ₃ | 0.7 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 2.9 | 174 | 2455 | 29 | 71 | 29374 | 16 | 8 | 53 | 24 | 184 | 15 | 68 | 404 | 19 | <5 | 172 | 40 | <5 | 48 | 20 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 39.0 | 139 | 2276 | 37 | 119 | 29374 | 17 | <5 | 62 | 16 | 161 | 12 | 74 | 401 | 18 | <5 | 186 | 56 | <5 | 104 | 22 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 42.4 | 178 | 2318 | 24 | 58 | 26577 | 10 | <5 | 45 | 20 | 152 | 13 | 55 | 311 | 17 | <5 | 172 | 54 | <5 | 57 | 18 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 10.1 | 192 | 2755 | 26 | 37 | 27976 | 15 | <5 | 66 | 19 | 197 | 15 | 61 | 353 | 20 | <5 | 211 | 70 | <5 | 59 | 20 | <5 | | |
| B ₁ | 0.9 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 5.5 | 205 | 3174 | 29 | 81 | 32871 | 12 | <5 | 65 | 19 | 188 | 15 | 75 | 439 | 19 | <5 | 200 | 20 | <5 | 57 | 22 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 34.4 | 174 | 2575 | 19 | 89 | 25877 | <5 | <5 | 41 | 10 | 146 | 11 | 58 | 331 | 17 | <5 | 183 | 54 | <5 | 53 | 17 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 39.2 | 218 | 3054 | 35 | 74 | 32871 | 11 | 6 | 52 | 22 | 202 | 17 | 74 | 386 | 19 | <5 | 226 | 28 | <5 | 71 | 23 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 13.2 | 231 | 4013 | 44 | 104 | 44761 | 29 | 21 | 94 | 30 | 246 | 17 | 115 | 709 | 28 | <5 | 227 | 29 | <5 | 74 | 37 | 8 | | |
| B ₂ (T) | 1.5 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 9.4 | 192 | 2995 | 33 | 133 | 35669 | 11 | 7 | 54 | 19 | 192 | 16 | 78 | 460 | 20 | <5 | 203 | 22 | <5 | 62 | 26 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 37.4 | 185 | 2594 | 20 | 93 | 26242 | <5 | <5 | 41 | 16 | 145 | 12 | 56 | 324 | 16 | <5 | 170 | 46 | <5 | 64 | 18 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 34.3 | 206 | 3513 | 16 | 89 | 33761 | 14 | <5 | 68 | 14 | 212 | 20 | 78 | 414 | 21 | <5 | 247 | 37 | <5 | 78 | 23 | 10 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 13.1 | 226 | 4013 | 46 | 156 | 45461 | 20 | 24 | 98 | 34 | 252 | 20 | 121 | 728 | 28 | <5 | 247 | 17 | <5 | 78 | 40 | 10 | | |
| P | 2.0 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 1.3 | 200 | 2276 | 94 | 476 | 79591 | 27 | 11 | 100 | 14 | 129 | 10 | 63 | 328 | 18 | <5 | 155 | 20 | <5 | 104 | 26 | 13 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 52.5 | 253 | 2695 | 128 | 744 | 89523 | 23 | 28 | 80 | 16 | 118 | 15 | 56 | 291 | 20 | <5 | 293 | <5 | <5 | 125 | 42 | 30 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 19.8 | 170 | 3234 | 42 | 312 | 47559 | 22 | 6 | 88 | 19 | 179 | 13 | 78 | 385 | 21 | <5 | 215 | 25 | <5 | 91 | 28 | 6 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 16.6 | 196 | 3534 | 33 | 156 | 41264 | 15 | 12 | 77 | 28 | 243 | 19 | 88 | 444 | 25 | <5 | 258 | 37 | <5 | 72 | 33 | 6 | | |
| C | 2.3 | BROWN HORIZON OF HIGHLY WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | MAINLY QUARTZ; ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; H.M - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 24.5 | 165 | 2995 | 46 | 193 | 45461 | 19 | 9 | 72 | 20 | 222 | 17 | 90 | 475 | 24 | <5 | 232 | 27 | <5 | 68 | 30 | 7 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 29.9 | 170 | 2995 | 64 | 245 | 60847 | 22 | 7 | 84 | 9 | 185 | 14 | 84 | 419 | 21 | <5 | 210 | 15 | <5 | 78 | 30 | 11 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 26.6 | 161 | 3534 | 21 | 126 | 35669 | 15 | <5 | 87 | 17 | 268 | 21 | 88 | 442 | 24 | <5 | 248 | 36 | <5 | 68 | 30 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 12.3 | 183 | 4133 | 30 | 171 | 44062 | 21 | 19 | 92 | 33 | 281 | 21 | 127 | 719 | 32 | <5 | 293 | 38 | <5 | 75 | 43 | 9 | | |
| | | | | | | <.075 | 6.7 | 170 | 4492 | 47 | 193 | 49657 | 36 | 23 | 123 | 31 | 278 | 18 | 154 | 858 | 35 | <5 | 247 | 16 | <5 | 75 | 51 | 12 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 5 on Vlaklaagte granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Hf | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.15 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 178 | 1677 | 16 | 163 | 15386 | <5 | <5 | 42 | 12 | 116 | 12 | 45 | 296 | 14 | <5 | 124 | 68 | <5 | 17 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 6.3 | 235 | 2396 | 17 | 171 | 22380 | 9 | 10 | 60 | 8 | 135 | 13 | 57 | 386 | 18 | <5 | 167 | 77 | <5 | 31 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 49.3 | 235 | 2036 | <5 | 163 | 16086 | <5 | <5 | 40 | 10 | 118 | 12 | 39 | 246 | 14 | <5 | 158 | 62 | <5 | 33 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 35.1 | 183 | 1916 | 7 | 163 | 14687 | <5 | <5 | 37 | <5 | 104 | 11 | 40 | 277 | 12 | <5 | 137 | 43 | <5 | 37 | 8 | <5 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.25 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 130 | 1797 | 13 | 111 | 13988 | <5 | <5 | 44 | <5 | 119 | 10 | 46 | 316 | 15 | <5 | 124 | 90 | <5 | 20 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 3.2 | 205 | 2216 | 50 | 245 | 42663 | 27 | 37 | 96 | 23 | 134 | 13 | 63 | 409 | 18 | <5 | 165 | 56 | <5 | 42 | 19 | 8 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 38.4 | 144 | 1737 | 9 | 104 | 11889 | <5 | <5 | 42 | <5 | 90 | 9 | 37 | 234 | 14 | <5 | 114 | 91 | <5 | 30 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 47.8 | 187 | 1916 | 11 | 141 | 18883 | <5 | 20 | 45 | 9 | 123 | 12 | 41 | 271 | 12 | <5 | 140 | 27 | <5 | 34 | 9 | <5 |
| A ₃ | 0.35 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 152 | 2096 | 12 | 126 | 18883 | <5 | 11 | 54 | 15 | 129 | 11 | 50 | 318 | 16 | <5 | 129 | 94 | <5 | 13 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 2.9 | 174 | 2390 | 43 | 122 | 35669 | 16 | 11 | 94 | 9 | 137 | 11 | 73 | 402 | 17 | <5 | 148 | 53 | <5 | 30 | 18 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 40.3 | 130 | 1677 | 9 | 111 | 16086 | <5 | 9 | 46 | 12 | 98 | 9 | 38 | 257 | 14 | <5 | 108 | 179 | <5 | 31 | 18 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 45.6 | 178 | 2336 | 17 | 111 | 18184 | <5 | <5 | 55 | <5 | 133 | 10 | 45 | 295 | 14 | <5 | 174 | 62 | <5 | 18 | 9 | <5 |
| B ₁ | 0.45 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 181 | 2211 | 15 | 131 | 20111 | 7 | 10 | 59 | 8 | 121 | 11 | 55 | 322 | 16 | <5 | 151 | 88 | <5 | 24 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 3.3 | 201 | 2491 | 30 | 127 | 37543 | 15 | 10 | 97 | 9 | 131 | 10 | 73 | 409 | 16 | <5 | 153 | 55 | <5 | 28 | 22 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 39.9 | 147 | 1781 | 11 | 117 | 19233 | 6 | 9 | 51 | 11 | 92 | 9 | 41 | 261 | 14 | <5 | 112 | 90 | <5 | 31 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 44.9 | 192 | 2431 | 19 | 118 | 21121 | <5 | 7 | 62 | 6 | 129 | 11 | 47 | 295 | 15 | <5 | 175 | 57 | <5 | 20 | 11 | <5 |
| B ₂ (T) | 0.5 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 205 | 2695 | 22 | 141 | 25178 | 9 | 9 | 66 | 6 | 147 | 11 | 61 | 399 | 15 | <5 | 184 | 36 | <5 | 40 | 18 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 5.6 | 261 | 2935 | 35 | 223 | 43362 | 11 | 15 | 106 | 20 | 152 | 13 | 68 | 444 | 19 | <5 | 190 | 77 | <5 | 30 | 23 | 8 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 36.3 | 183 | 2276 | 10 | 111 | 19583 | <5 | 17 | 63 | 7 | 101 | 7 | 40 | 265 | 14 | <5 | 138 | 38 | <5 | 27 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 42.3 | 240 | 2815 | 21 | 141 | 28675 | 9 | <5 | 75 | 22 | 155 | 12 | 58 | 349 | 18 | <5 | 190 | 62 | <5 | 27 | 15 | <5 |
| P | 0.6 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 231 | 2036 | 33 | 409 | 97916 | 33 | 47 | 119 | 27 | 103 | 7 | 46 | 352 | 18 | <5 | 71 | 25 | <5 | 29 | 29 | 17 |
| | | | | >2 | 37.1 | 50 | 664 | 65 | 394 | 73185 | 87 | 70 | 210 | 30 | 68 | <5 | 39 | 305 | 18 | 18 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 69 | 36 | 27 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 40.3 | 274 | 2515 | 50 | 372 | 46160 | 7 | 7 | 80 | 19 | 115 | 9 | 47 | 316 | 17 | <5 | 189 | 92 | <5 | 46 | 18 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 13.5 | 213 | 3174 | 20 | 163 | 28675 | 11 | 51 | 84 | 14 | 162 | 11 | 55 | 395 | 18 | <5 | 217 | 50 | <5 | 30 | 15 | <5 |
| C+B ₂ | 0.7 | BROWN HORIZON OF HIGHLY WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | MAINLY QUARTZ; ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; H.M.- MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 305 | 3120 | 25 | 151 | 35126 | 12 | 36 | 72 | 14 | 423 | 18 | 88 | 435 | 27 | <5 | 445 | 19 | <5 | 120 | 41 | 18 |
| | | | | >2 | 21.3 | 442 | 2681 | 61 | 321 | 70213 | 24 | 41 | 149 | 8 | 354 | 14 | 73 | 366 | 21 | <5 | 331 | <5 | <5 | 190 | 31 | 25 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 57.7 | 307 | 2734 | 17 | 178 | 31240 | 9 | 15 | 66 | 9 | 432 | 21 | 76 | 314 | 25 | <5 | 489 | 14 | <5 | 131 | 34 | 16 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 10.5 | 286 | 3282 | 11 | 153 | 29621 | 9 | 10 | 63 | 7 | 428 | 21 | 74 | 351 | 24 | <5 | 513 | 15 | <5 | 111 | 33 | <5 |
| R1 R2 R3 R4 | 0.7 | SLIGHTLY WEATHERED GREY VLAKLAAGTE GRANITE WITH ALTERATION ZONES. | DISCUSSED IN TEXT. | TOTAL | | 313 | 4132 | 25 | 182 | 41256 | 14 | 7 | 79 | 26 | 424 | 22 | 113 | 618 | 34 | <5 | 455 | 29 | <5 | 109 | 47 | 20 |
| | | | | >2 | 5.1 | 321 | 4216 | 36 | 201 | 45389 | 27 | 29 | 89 | 19 | 402 | 18 | 127 | 713 | 34 | <5 | 413 | 7 | <5 | 148 | 53 | 29 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 10.5 | 286 | 3282 | 11 | 153 | 29621 | 9 | 10 | 63 | 7 | 428 | 21 | 74 | 351 | 24 | <5 | 513 | 15 | <5 | 111 | 33 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 5.4 | 313 | 4132 | 25 | 182 | 41256 | 14 | 7 | 79 | 26 | 424 | 22 | 113 | 618 | 34 | <5 | 455 | 29 | <5 | 109 | 47 | 20 |
| | | | | | | 288 | 1916 | 7 | 55 | 20842 | 6 | 22 | 39 | <5 | 630 | 50 | 83 | 295 | 23 | <5 | 778 | 18 | <5 | 82 | 33 | 17 |
| | | | | | | 196 | 1617 | <5 | 46 | 13148 | <5 | <5 | 12 | <5 | 575 | 68 | 89 | 273 | 20 | <5 | 651 | 16 | <5 | 60 | 29 | 16 |
| | | | | | | 240 | 1617 | <5 | 59 | 18184 | <5 | 17 | <5 | <5 | 571 | 94 | 109 | 259 | 21 | <5 | 607 | 14 | <5 | 46 | 32 | 16 |
| | | | | | | 240 | 1679 | <5 | 119 | 14687 | <5 | 7 | <5 | 10 | 434 | 96 | 151 | 258 | 20 | <5 | 549 | 10 | <5 | 26 | 25 | 14 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 6 on grey Vlaklaagte granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m.) | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|-----|-------|-------|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Hf | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U | |
| A ₁ | 0.1 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 91 | 1485 | 6 | 113 | 1119 | <5 | <5 | 8 | <5 | 44 | 5 | 25 | 251 | 10 | <5 | 34 | 24 | <5 | 18 | <5 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 2.7 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 27.6 | 81 | 970 | 12 | 87 | 2670 | <5 | <5 | 9 | <5 | 27 | <5 | 11 | 115 | 8 | <5 | 7 | 44 | <5 | 10 | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 44.4 | 117 | 1701 | <5 | 102 | 887 | <5 | <5 | 14 | <5 | 48 | 5 | 23 | 209 | 11 | <5 | 35 | 56 | <5 | 18 | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.25 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 87 | 1690 | <5 | 115 | 4318 | <5 | <5 | 20 | 10 | 51 | 5 | 30 | 276 | 12 | <5 | 34 | 63 | <5 | 16 | <5 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 2.6 | 98 | 2212 | 11 | 158 | 8345 | <5 | <5 | 17 | 7 | 75 | 8 | 41 | 358 | 14 | <5 | 76 | 61 | <5 | 44 | 8 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 48.5 | 97 | 1438 | 5 | 89 | 964 | <5 | 6 | <5 | 38 | <5 | 19 | 182 | 8 | <5 | 23 | 69 | <5 | 21 | <5 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 36.4 | 131 | 2220 | <5 | 134 | 5066 | <5 | <5 | 13 | <5 | 55 | 5 | 25 | 239 | 10 | <5 | 58 | 34 | <5 | 29 | <5 | <5 | |
| A ₃ | 0.35 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 80 | 2237 | 5 | 77 | 2992 | <5 | <5 | 19 | 10 | 69 | 5 | 36 | 321 | 13 | <5 | 53 | 79 | <5 | 17 | 6 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 2.9 | 71 | 2348 | 19 | 113 | 7123 | 5 | <5 | 21 | <5 | 82 | 7 | 44 | 398 | 15 | <5 | 77 | 50 | <5 | 27 | 8 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 31.9 | 95 | 2020 | <5 | 116 | 6274 | <5 | <5 | 13 | <5 | 53 | 5 | 25 | 222 | 10 | <5 | 38 | 33 | <5 | 31 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 52.1 | 117 | 2870 | <5 | 80 | 2853 | <5 | <5 | 26 | 7 | 81 | 6 | 40 | 330 | 15 | <5 | 82 | 82 | <5 | 19 | 5 | <5 | |
| B ₁ | 0.5 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 110 | 2451 | 7 | 98 | 8431 | <5 | <5 | 26 | 16 | 79 | 6 | 43 | 333 | 14 | <5 | 61 | 74 | <5 | 23 | 8 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 3.5 | 154 | 2962 | 21 | 119 | 16542 | <5 | <5 | 36 | 14 | 81 | 6 | 38 | 362 | 14 | <5 | 84 | 25 | <5 | 36 | 8 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 36.1 | 98 | 2131 | <5 | 76 | 21561 | <5 | <5 | 19 | 6 | 59 | <5 | 29 | 227 | 11 | <5 | 53 | 44 | <5 | 24 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 49.2 | 134 | 3456 | <5 | 89 | 14361 | <5 | <5 | 36 | 21 | 98 | 6 | 46 | 354 | 14 | <5 | 98 | 57 | <5 | 31 | 11 | <5 | |
| B ₂ (T) | 1.0.9 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON. THE SOILS ARE SANDY. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 128 | 2844 | 10 | 109 | 10207 | 8 | <5 | 36 | 22 | 91 | 6 | 47 | 341 | 15 | <5 | 68 | 72 | <5 | 31 | 9 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 7.8 | 173 | 3179 | 31 | 134 | 27946 | 6 | <5 | 42 | 16 | 91 | 5 | 44 | 327 | 14 | <5 | 92 | 23 | <5 | 47 | 9 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 39.7 | 109 | 2328 | <5 | 85 | 5305 | <5 | <5 | 19 | <5 | 63 | <5 | 30 | 225 | 10 | <5 | 57 | 42 | <5 | 29 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 39.7 | 156 | 3790 | <5 | 109 | 10331 | 10 | <5 | 43 | 27 | 111 | 7 | 53 | 372 | 18 | <5 | 108 | 54 | <5 | 36 | 12 | <5 | |
| P | 1.5 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. (YELLOW ZONE) | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR, | TOTAL | 112 | 2999 | 80 | 82 | 37133 | 12 | <5 | 59 | <5 | 76 | 6 | 50 | 417 | 17 | <5 | 83 | 43 | <5 | 16 | 12 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 45.9 | 4 | 1066 | 172 | 669 | 90922 | 61 | 27 | 141 | <5 | 56 | <5 | 33 | 266 | 13 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 22 | 16 | 24 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 30.5 | 96 | 2442 | 47 | 93 | 27489 | <5 | <5 | 43 | 8 | 59 | 5 | 32 | 237 | 13 | <5 | 43 | 36 | <5 | 22 | 5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 12.8 | 109 | 3589 | 19 | 97 | 20094 | 5 | <5 | 41 | <5 | 86 | 6 | 46 | 362 | 16 | <5 | 102 | 44 | <5 | 29 | 8 | <5 | |
| P | 1.5 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. (YELLOW ZONE) | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR, | .075-.180 | 5.9 | 125 | 4531 | 18 | 125 | 24674 | 9 | <5 | 51 | 7 | 108 | 9 | 76 | 658 | 23 | <5 | 132 | 48 | <5 | 30 | 18 | <5 | |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.9 | 134 | 5080 | 45 | 161 | 36812 | 12 | 8 | 64 | 20 | 127 | 13 | 92 | 826 | 28 | <5 | 151 | 41 | <5 | 34 | 28 | 9 | |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 7 on grey Vlakraagte granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m) | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm) | % WEIGHT | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|-----------------|----------|------------------------|------|-----|-----|-------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.2 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON (THE SOILS ARE WEAKLY STRUCTURED). | ALMOST ONLY QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR GRAINS); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND MIXED LAYERED CLAYS. H.M.-GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 130 | 1729 | 20 | 143 | 17377 | <5 | <5 | 28 | 6 | 89 | 11 | 56 | 425 | 16 | <5 | 55 | 74 | <5 | 43 | 20 | 7 |
| | | | | >2 | 6.5 | 162 | 1744 | 42 | 113 | 29855 | 12 | <5 | 53 | <5 | 72 | 6 | 48 | 344 | 14 | <5 | 72 | 58 | <5 | 43 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 45.9 | 139 | 1628 | 11 | 125 | 13005 | <5 | <5 | 23 | <5 | 71 | 8 | 40 | 282 | 13 | <5 | 56 | 42 | <5 | 40 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 35.0 | 234 | 2705 | 7 | 185 | 16795 | 6 | <5 | 38 | <5 | 96 | 7 | 53 | 419 | 15 | <5 | 97 | 60 | <5 | 40 | 13 | <5 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.35 | LIGHT COLOURED HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION (THE SOILS HAVE A LOOSE STRUCTURE). | MAINLY QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR GRAINS); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND MIXED LAYERED CLAYS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 123 | 1938 | 15 | 150 | 12517 | <5 | <5 | 22 | <5 | 84 | 8 | 54 | 432 | 15 | <5 | 87 | 66 | <5 | 34 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 3.5 | 132 | 1839 | 34 | 185 | 22825 | 10 | <5 | 40 | 9 | 88 | 9 | 73 | 441 | 18 | <5 | 88 | 74 | <5 | 54 | 24 | 7 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 41.1 | 99 | 1378 | 7 | 88 | 7779 | <5 | <5 | 14 | <5 | 59 | 6 | 32 | 228 | 11 | <5 | 40 | 46 | <5 | 39 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 39.0 | 179 | 2511 | 16 | 189 | 16891 | <5 | <5 | 32 | 8 | 94 | 8 | 50 | 387 | 16 | <5 | 94 | 86 | <5 | 59 | 16 | <5 |
| A ₃ | 0.5 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND MIXED CLAYS; MINOR IRON OXIDES. H.M.-GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 113 | 1943 | 19 | 118 | 17405 | <5 | <5 | 26 | <5 | 92 | 9 | 52 | 418 | 14 | <5 | 69 | 35 | <5 | 43 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 7.1 | 164 | 2659 | 18 | 110 | 19312 | 7 | <5 | 42 | <5 | 95 | 7 | 49 | 429 | 17 | <5 | 103 | 55 | <5 | 37 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 37.2 | 172 | 2579 | 6 | 116 | 18303 | <5 | <5 | 35 | 8 | 85 | 8 | 52 | 441 | 16 | <5 | 80 | 97 | <5 | 33 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 38.4 | 133 | 1950 | 14 | 81 | 14788 | <5 | <5 | 27 | <5 | 94 | 7 | 45 | 346 | 12 | <5 | 69 | 52 | <5 | 48 | 14 | <5 |
| B ₁ | 1.0 | REDDISH-BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY QUARTZ (SUBANGULAR TO ROUNDED AND IRON STAINED); NO FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND MIXED CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.-HEM, GH, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 188 | 2764 | 25 | 92 | 24835 | 9 | <5 | 58 | 8 | 112 | 7 | 64 | 490 | 17 | <5 | 101 | 41 | <5 | 34 | 22 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 8.8 | 201 | 3094 | 26 | 119 | 31661 | 7 | <5 | 58 | 14 | 113 | 8 | 60 | 453 | 17 | <5 | 96 | 49 | <5 | 53 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 39.5 | 153 | 2112 | 16 | 46 | 17880 | <5 | <5 | 44 | <5 | 74 | 5 | 33 | 227 | 11 | <5 | 59 | 26 | <5 | 29 | 7 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 30.5 | 213 | 2793 | 22 | 98 | 27801 | 7 | <5 | 56 | 15 | 110 | 7 | 52 | 365 | 16 | <5 | 85 | 70 | <5 | 44 | 18 | <5 |
| B ₂ (T) | 1.6 | RED APEDAL B HORIZON OF MAXIMUM CLAY AND IRON ACCUMULATION. (THE SOILS ARE WEAKLY STRUCTURED). | MAINLY IRON STAINED ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.-HEM, GH, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 176 | 2063 | 30 | 98 | 27143 | 11 | <5 | 59 | 16 | 111 | 8 | 70 | 503 | 20 | <5 | 83 | 54 | <5 | 38 | 27 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 16.3 | 191 | 2863 | 27 | 86 | 27953 | 12 | <5 | 67 | 8 | 100 | 6 | 59 | 449 | 19 | <5 | 80 | 51 | <5 | 42 | 19 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 36.0 | 167 | 2122 | 19 | 95 | 21726 | <5 | <5 | 42 | 10 | 79 | 6 | 44 | 281 | 13 | <5 | 66 | 45 | <5 | 47 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 24.7 | 205 | 3398 | 16 | 95 | 27768 | 11 | <5 | 71 | 10 | 121 | 6 | 68 | 463 | 20 | <5 | 105 | 87 | <5 | 37 | 23 | <5 |
| P | 1.8 | YELLOW ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH YELLOW IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; YELLOWISH CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.-GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 152 | 2827 | 77 | 99 | 46796 | 16 | <5 | 68 | <5 | 106 | 7 | 66 | 479 | 17 | <5 | 90 | 24 | <5 | 40 | 26 | 7 |
| | | | | >2 | 50.8 | 118 | 941 | 117 | 61 | 57819 | 14 | <5 | 58 | <5 | 36 | 6 | 26 | 153 | 9 | <5 | 5 | 44 | <5 | 54 | 14 | 12 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 23.7 | 118 | 2351 | 37 | 122 | 29090 | 9 | <5 | 53 | <5 | 93 | 5 | 52 | 350 | 13 | <5 | 66 | 5 | <5 | 72 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 11.4 | 168 | 3413 | 40 | 135 | 36724 | 10 | <5 | 63 | 13 | 133 | 9 | 75 | 494 | 19 | <5 | 107 | 34 | <5 | 59 | 27 | <5 |
| C | 2.1 | BROWN ZONE OF WEATHERED BEDROCK (GRANITIC STRUCTURE STILL PRESERVED). | QUARTZ; THE PLAGIOCLASE AND POTASH FELDSPAR ALMOST COMPLETELY ILLITISED, HEMATITISED AND KAOLINISED; BIOTITE (CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED). H.M.-HEM, MAG, ILM, GH AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 132 | 2931 | 47 | 135 | 35439 | 8 | <5 | 51 | <5 | 120 | 9 | 74 | 549 | 16 | <5 | 84 | 5 | <5 | 47 | 26 | 6 |
| | | | | >2 | 27.3 | 103 | 1941 | 82 | 60 | 44499 | 9 | <5 | 53 | <5 | 64 | 5 | 41 | 292 | 9 | <5 | 32 | 5 | <5 | 58 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 46.2 | 118 | 2700 | 42 | 121 | 34928 | 6 | <5 | 52 | 8 | 88 | 6 | 52 | 350 | 14 | <5 | 71 | 5 | <5 | 48 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 11.9 | 143 | 3922 | 42 | 123 | 40796 | 14 | <5 | 82 | 8 | 124 | 7 | 75 | 484 | 19 | <5 | 108 | 17 | <5 | 54 | 25 | 8 |
| C | 2.1 | | | .075-.180 | 7.4 | 157 | 3968 | 56 | 154 | 40675 | 13 | 9 | 64 | 11 | 135 | 10 | 98 | 765 | 22 | <5 | 125 | 5 | <5 | 57 | 35 | 8 |
| | | | | <.075 | 7.2 | 161 | 4893 | 61 | 191 | 47600 | 27 | 15 | 90 | 7 | 168 | 12 | 121 | 984 | 30 | <5 | 167 | 10 | <5 | 59 | 45 | 12 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 8 possibly on the grey Wlakaagte granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m) | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm) | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|-----------------|----------|------------------------|------|-------|-----|-------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|----|-----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.15 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON (WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS). | ALMOST ONLY QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR GRAINS); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE, MINOR KAOLINITE AND MIXED CLAYS. H.M.-GH, LIM, MAG, ILM, ZR. | TOTAL | | 94 | 1395 | 13 | 137 | 10560 | <5 | <5 | 10 | 14 | 121 | 12 | 63 | 407 | 17 | <5 | 59 | 148 | 10 | 52 | 21 | 9 |
| | | | | >2 | 3.8 | 109 | 1317 | 27 | 163 | 33362 | 20 | 6 | 12 | 8 | 231 | 9 | 67 | 329 | 25 | <5 | 92 | 41 | 9 | 75 | 27 | 8 |
| | | | | .425-.2 | 44.1 | 122 | 1257 | <5 | 111 | 11190 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 9 | 100 | 8 | 43 | 259 | 12 | <5 | 40 | 74 | <5 | 44 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 37.4 | 109 | 1437 | 8 | 119 | 9092 | <5 | <5 | 7 | 6 | 114 | 8 | 58 | 344 | 16 | <5 | 65 | 157 | <5 | 45 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.8 | 152 | 1856 | 13 | 163 | 13988 | 7 | <5 | 7 | 13 | 129 | 11 | 90 | 639 | 20 | <5 | 68 | 158 | <5 | 48 | 22 | 7 |
| | | <.075 | 5.9 | 279 | 3653 | 17 | 297 | 18883 | 11 | 7 | 14 | 12 | 201 | 20 | 143 | 1149 | 28 | <5 | 130 | 81 | <5 | 79 | 41 | 15 | | |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. PIECES OF FINE-GRAINED GRANITE ARE RECOGNISED. | MAINLY QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR GRAINS); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND MIXED CLAYS. H.M.-GH, LIM, MAG, ILM, ZR. | TOTAL | | 135 | 1467 | 24 | 43 | 19373 | 11 | <5 | 34 | 7 | 129 | 5 | 62 | 400 | 19 | <5 | 63 | 146 | <5 | 39 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 4.6 | 189 | 898 | 79 | 89 | 30110 | 10 | <5 | 46 | 9 | 227 | 6 | 34 | 165 | 22 | <5 | 25 | 395 | <5 | 90 | 22 | 8 |
| | | | | .425-.2 | 42.2 | 87 | 1257 | 8 | 89 | 9791 | <5 | <5 | 14 | <5 | 108 | <5 | 44 | 222 | 14 | <5 | 40 | 73 | <5 | 55 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 44.1 | 117 | 1677 | 9 | 29 | 14687 | 6 | <5 | 19 | 14 | 133 | 7 | 56 | 306 | 17 | <5 | 63 | 117 | <5 | 46 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.6 | 174 | 3054 | 16 | 59 | 19583 | 11 | <5 | 37 | 15 | 183 | 9 | 112 | 961 | 27 | <5 | 123 | 163 | <5 | 62 | 28 | <5 |
| | | <.075 | 3.2 | 218 | 3893 | 32 | 111 | 30773 | 15 | 14 | 59 | 38 | 252 | 15 | 133 | 1061 | 32 | <5 | 145 | 131 | <5 | 67 | 42 | 11 | | |
| P | 0.4 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES: KAOLINITE AND MIXED CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; IRON OXIDES. H.M.-GH, LIM, HEM, MAG, ILM, CAS, ZR. | TOTAL | | 152 | 1737 | 42 | 167 | 36298 | 12 | 18 | 35 | 28 | 215 | 13 | 91 | 344 | 23 | 18 | 95 | 1200 | 9 | 116 | 36 | 15 |
| | | | | >2 | 61.2 | 170 | 820 | 58 | 133 | 44062 | 13 | <5 | 31 | <5 | 212 | 6 | 66 | 126 | 15 | 12 | 58 | 990 | <5 | 111 | 26 | 8 |
| | | | | .425-.2 | 21.4 | 139 | 1641 | 21 | 126 | 26227 | 10 | <5 | 24 | 24 | 200 | 7 | 60 | 246 | 19 | <5 | 77 | 650 | <5 | 70 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 7.6 | 157 | 2276 | 27 | 119 | 28675 | 14 | <5 | 32 | 25 | 230 | 8 | 79 | 423 | 21 | <5 | 120 | 700 | <5 | 67 | 27 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.2 | 212 | 3114 | 39 | 171 | 35669 | 20 | 21 | 35 | 40 | 265 | 13 | 120 | 899 | 28 | <5 | 141 | 710 | <5 | 82 | 43 | 14 |
| | | <.075 | 4.6 | 231 | 3653 | 61 | 186 | 42663 | 32 | 27 | 49 | 42 | 320 | 13 | 124 | 758 | 29 | <5 | 151 | 610 | <5 | 100 | 49 | 13 | | |
| B ₂ (R) | 0.6 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. (MAXIMUM CLAY AND IRON ACCUMULATION). | QUARTZ STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES (HEMATITE AND GOETHITE). NO FRESH FELDSPARS; KAOLINITE, SERICITE AND OTHER MIXED CLAY MINERALS. H.M.-HEM, GH, LIM, ILM, MAG, CAS, ZR. | TOTAL | | 200 | 1600 | 36 | 340 | 37837 | 23 | 12 | 36 | 20 | 300 | 12 | 74 | 320 | 25 | 12 | 120 | 980 | 10 | 120 | 36 | 10 |
| | | | | >2 | 31.3 | 220 | 1230 | 41 | 339 | 57254 | 20 | 17 | 42 | 22 | 370 | 9 | 61 | 220 | 26 | 16 | 110 | 1210 | <5 | 103 | 35 | 8 |
| | | | | .425-.2 | 34.5 | 199 | 1560 | 19 | 245 | 36251 | 16 | 6 | 32 | 17 | 291 | <5 | 57 | 270 | 22 | 6 | 101 | 1450 | <5 | 76 | 25 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 18.3 | 299 | 2023 | 25 | 210 | 31216 | 14 | 11 | 38 | 33 | 267 | 9 | 76 | 410 | 23 | 7 | 103 | 1170 | <5 | 86 | 28 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.6 | 360 | 3150 | 40 | 230 | 36572 | 22 | 19 | 57 | 37 | 280 | 9 | 111 | 710 | 26 | 7 | 150 | 1030 | <5 | 92 | 40 | 7 |
| | | <.075 | 7.3 | 382 | 3362 | 56 | 270 | 48256 | 26 | 41 | 68 | 62 | 320 | 12 | 122 | 780 | 33 | 8 | 160 | 990 | <5 | 124 | 57 | 14 | | |
| B ₃ | 1.0 | HORIZON CONTAINING REDDISH UNCONSOLIDATED WEATHERED BEDROCK WITH WHITE CONCRETIONS OF CLAY MINERALS. (MOTTLING). | QUARTZ: ALMOST NO FELDSPAR; WHITE CONCRETIONS OF KAOLINITE AND MIXED CLAYS; QUARTZ STAINED WITH HEMATITE AND GOETHITE. H.M.-HEM, MAG, ILM, GH, LIM, CAS, ZR. | TOTAL | | 104 | 1431 | 28 | 297 | 39865 | 23 | 11 | 25 | 19 | 375 | 10 | 71 | 273 | 26 | 7 | 120 | 910 | <5 | 107 | 34 | 9 |
| | | | | >2 | 34.7 | 113 | 1060 | 39 | 290 | 59449 | 19 | 16 | 32 | 23 | 464 | 9 | 63 | 172 | 28 | 13 | 115 | 1100 | <5 | 93 | 34 | 7 |
| | | | | .425-.2 | 36.3 | 104 | 1365 | 17 | 186 | 37347 | 15 | <5 | 23 | 18 | 363 | 7 | 60 | 225 | 23 | <5 | 105 | 1342 | <5 | 55 | 24 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 14.2 | 165 | 2096 | 23 | 141 | 31473 | 13 | 12 | 28 | 32 | 301 | 10 | 75 | 355 | 22 | <5 | 107 | 1150 | <5 | 66 | 27 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.3 | 222 | 3234 | 37 | 163 | 38467 | 23 | 17 | 42 | 35 | 330 | 11 | 109 | 662 | 26 | <5 | 159 | 1030 | <5 | 78 | 37 | 8 |
| | | <.075 | 7.5 | 231 | 3474 | 54 | 230 | 50356 | 28 | 35 | 59 | 406 | 14 | 120 | 698 | 34 | 8 | 161 | 980 | <5 | 119 | 53 | 12 | | | |
| C | 1.4 | RED UNCONSOLIDATED WEATHERED BEDROCK. GRANITIC STRUCTURE STILL PRESERVED. | QUARTZ: THE PLAGIOCLASE AND POTASH FELDSPAR ALMOST COMPLETELY SERICITISED, HEMATITISED AND KAOLINISED; BIOTITE (CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED). H.M.-HEM, MAG, ILM, GH, LIM, CAS, ZR. | TOTAL | | 48 | 868 | 7 | 260 | 28813 | 12 | 11 | 13 | 28 | 574 | 10 | 71 | 185 | 32 | 18 | 114 | 900 | 15 | 78 | 37 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 40.1 | 43 | 838 | <5 | 238 | 28816 | 12 | 6 | 25 | 16 | 547 | 9 | 67 | 158 | 28 | 21 | 120 | 910 | <5 | 96 | 30 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-.2 | 42.2 | 52 | 826 | 6 | 186 | 15179 | 6 | <5 | 25 | 18 | 450 | 9 | 63 | 149 | 26 | 9 | 108 | 950 | <5 | 63 | 28 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 7.5 | 48 | 763 | 8 | 238 | 28188 | 23 | 22 | 21 | 23 | 575 | 10 | 72 | 192 | 34 | 16 | 143 | 905 | <5 | 84 | 40 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 4.4 | 65 | 1257 | 10 | 290 | 32596 | 27 | 22 | 37 | 683 | 13 | 104 | 360 | 44 | 25 | 165 | 850 | 8 | 76 | 66 | 11 | |
| | | <.075 | 5.8 | 61 | 1281 | 8 | 267 | 37142 | 39 | 41 | 39 | 41 | 679 | 11 | 97 | 392 | 49 | 33 | 168 | 814 | 9 | 92 | 71 | 9 | | |
| R | 1.4 | SLIGHTLY WEATHERED RED VLAKLAAGTE GRANITE. | QUARTZ: SERICITISED AND HEMATITISED POTASH FELDSPAR: KAOLINISED AND HEMATITISED PLAGIOCLASE; BIOTITE (CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED). H.M.-HEM, MAG, ILM, CAS, ZR. | | | 24 | 555 | <5 | 180 | 26437 | 6 | 6 | 37 | 13 | 740 | 11 | 68 | 148 | 24 | 16 | 168 | 890 | <5 | 100 | 29 | 6 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 9 on the red Vlakraagte granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPH) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|------|-----|----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.1 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, CAS, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 119 | 1458 | <5 | 159 | 9029 | <5 | <5 | 12 | <5 | 173 | 11 | 67 | 348 | 19 | <5 | 120 | 79 | <5 | 42 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 6.1 | 140 | 1431 | 25 | 172 | 21219 | <5 | <5 | 19 | <5 | 146 | 9 | 58 | 312 | 18 | <5 | 102 | 48 | <5 | 59 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 39.8 | 104 | 1179 | 11 | 136 | 6610 | <5 | <5 | 14 | <5 | 167 | 11 | 53 | 261 | 19 | <5 | 98 | 82 | <5 | 46 | 20 | 6 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 37.7 | 150 | 1652 | <5 | 145 | 8313 | <5 | <5 | 17 | <5 | 178 | 10 | 54 | 264 | 20 | <5 | 136 | 90 | <5 | 45 | 18 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 10.5 | 173 | 2288 | <5 | 192 | 11407 | <5 | <5 | 16 | <5 | 200 | 15 | 114 | 673 | 30 | <5 | 168 | 99 | <5 | 48 | 38 | 10 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.9 | 258 | 3858 | 11 | 309 | 15729 | 10 | 9 | 24 | <5 | 243 | 23 | 192 | 1217 | 40 | <5 | 251 | 60 | <5 | 65 | 63 | 19 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.2 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, CAS, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 107 | 1245 | 8 | 132 | 12313 | <5 | <5 | 16 | 9 | 173 | 12 | 68 | 350 | 18 | <5 | 121 | 81 | <5 | 39 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 5.8 | 63 | 476 | 9 | 128 | 15212 | <5 | <5 | 18 | <5 | 101 | 7 | 43 | 156 | 12 | <5 | 89 | 62 | <5 | 58 | 22 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 41.5 | 101 | 1032 | <5 | 118 | 9056 | <5 | <5 | 12 | <5 | 118 | 8 | 49 | 218 | 16 | <5 | 121 | 82 | <5 | 43 | 19 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 43.5 | 196 | 2096 | <5 | 157 | 18321 | <5 | <5 | 18 | 11 | 192 | 13 | 57 | 493 | 26 | <5 | 134 | 101 | <5 | 46 | 18 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.3 | 201 | 2432 | 8 | 173 | 20526 | <5 | <5 | 21 | 12 | 201 | 14 | 121 | 702 | 30 | <5 | 158 | 99 | <5 | 46 | 40 | 11 |
| | | | | <.075 | 3.9 | 283 | 3876 | 16 | 232 | 23213 | 14 | 10 | 28 | 16 | 232 | 18 | 193 | 1131 | 38 | <5 | 232 | 70 | <5 | 63 | 65 | 21 |
| P | 0.35 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, CAS, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 129 | 1389 | 19 | 145 | 22996 | <5 | <5 | 26 | 7 | 182 | 12 | 67 | 316 | 21 | <5 | 112 | 99 | <5 | 39 | 27 | 9 |
| | | | | >2 | 32.3 | 153 | 769 | 76 | 159 | 61134 | 6 | <5 | 51 | <5 | 59 | 5 | 17 | 112 | 11 | 12 | 16 | 71 | <5 | 45 | 13 | 12 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 30.0 | 101 | 1180 | 6 | 132 | 10581 | <5 | <5 | 19 | 7 | 189 | 11 | 55 | 237 | 19 | <5 | 102 | 127 | <5 | 44 | 22 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 27.8 | 145 | 1767 | 6 | 143 | 13645 | <5 | <5 | 27 | 10 | 199 | 11 | 67 | 303 | 22 | <5 | 135 | 129 | <5 | 45 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.2 | 159 | 2244 | 11 | 165 | 16995 | 6 | <5 | 31 | 11 | 220 | 16 | 121 | 672 | 33 | <5 | 156 | 149 | <5 | 46 | 46 | 14 |
| | | | | <.075 | 3.8 | 212 | 3207 | 19 | 238 | 22758 | 8 | 31 | 46 | 18 | 257 | 19 | 168 | 1004 | 39 | <5 | 227 | 104 | <5 | 55 | 61 | 17 |
| B ₂ (R) | 1.4 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION). | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; ENRICHED IN KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 105 | 1356 | 9 | 134 | 21811 | <5 | <5 | 56 | 9 | 484 | 17 | 92 | 214 | 37 | <5 | 246 | 19 | <5 | 55 | 56 | 6 |
| | | | | >2 | 14.1 | 87 | 996 | 13 | 110 | 22101 | <5 | <5 | 38 | <5 | 414 | 14 | 65 | 149 | 23 | <5 | 226 | 22 | <5 | 59 | 35 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 59.4 | 99 | 1224 | <5 | 101 | 15399 | <5 | <5 | 46 | 6 | 472 | 16 | 65 | 151 | 29 | <5 | 237 | 23 | <5 | 59 | 37 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 13.2 | 125 | 2142 | 12 | 154 | 33955 | 13 | 13 | 97 | 26 | 589 | 16 | 128 | 280 | 59 | <5 | 284 | 25 | <5 | 67 | 80 | 9 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.8 | 145 | 2334 | 27 | 192 | 42334 | 31 | 28 | 122 | 38 | 510 | 13 | 183 | 431 | 69 | <5 | 255 | 23 | <5 | 72 | 111 | 15 |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.5 | 164 | 2358 | 26 | 198 | 43761 | 39 | 28 | 126 | 39 | 470 | 13 | 195 | 451 | 67 | <5 | 230 | 16 | <5 | 69 | 115 | 18 |
| B ₃ | 1.7 | WHITISH-GREY HORIZON CONTAINING MUCH CLAY MINERALS. THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE IS STILL PRESERVED. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR); ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; WHITE CONCRETIONS OF MAINLY KAOLINITE. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 78 | 1099 | <5 | 90 | 12470 | <5 | <5 | 38 | 6 | 539 | 19 | 101 | 199 | 36 | <5 | 269 | 18 | <5 | 53 | 56 | 5 |
| | | | | >2 | 11.1 | 65 | 477 | <5 | 106 | 7575 | <5 | <5 | 12 | <5 | 403 | 16 | 49 | 102 | 12 | <5 | 194 | 10 | <5 | 53 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 62.2 | 62 | 635 | <5 | 106 | 9497 | <5 | <5 | 19 | <5 | 521 | 19 | 59 | 113 | 19 | <5 | 254 | 11 | <5 | 60 | 32 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 14.4 | 130 | 2137 | <5 | 159 | 31445 | <5 | 13 | 76 | 35 | 666 | 21 | 166 | 275 | 64 | <5 | 350 | 21 | <5 | 77 | 96 | 9 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.5 | 148 | 2821 | 13 | 197 | 39865 | 19 | 28 | 98 | 47 | 591 | 19 | 315 | 634 | 101 | <5 | 320 | 21 | <5 | 87 | 172 | 24 |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.8 | 131 | 2386 | 13 | 194 | 37494 | 30 | 31 | 96 | 48 | 517 | 19 | 326 | 608 | 91 | <5 | 251 | 14 | <5 | 79 | 159 | 28 |
| C | 1.8 | BROWN WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | QUARTZ; KAOLINISED, ILLITISED AND HEMATITISED FELDSPARS; CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED BIOTITE. H.M.- HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 82 | 601 | <5 | 111 | 9556 | <5 | <5 | 43 | 15 | 823 | 21 | 123 | 153 | 35 | <5 | 301 | 16 | <5 | 67 | 76 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 13.2 | 85 | 383 | <5 | 121 | 828 | <5 | <5 | 16 | 9 | 631 | 17 | 70 | 82 | 18 | <5 | 224 | 11 | <5 | 65 | 43 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 59.1 | 103 | 521 | <5 | 123 | 9156 | <5 | <5 | 24 | 7 | 801 | 19 | 79 | 91 | 24 | <5 | 283 | 10 | <5 | 73 | 54 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 14.4 | 107 | 2021 | <5 | 179 | 28215 | <5 | 17 | 89 | 49 | 983 | 23 | 183 | 231 | 78 | <5 | 383 | 23 | <5 | 85 | 131 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.8 | 126 | 2731 | 10 | 201 | 33525 | 21 | 31 | 109 | 63 | 954 | 21 | 335 | 459 | 121 | <5 | 356 | 19 | <5 | 98 | 224 | 26 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.5 | 128 | 2156 | 11 | 234 | 35621 | 33 | 34 | 106 | 75 | 898 | 21 | 354 | 432 | 113 | <5 | 284 | 17 | <5 | 83 | 196 | 31 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 10 on grey Vlakaagte granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U | | |
| A ₁ | 0.2 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 113 | 1377 | 11 | 44 | 10421 | <5 | <5 | 12 | <5 | 136 | 11 | 39 | 268 | 13 | <5 | 140 | 34 | <5 | 18 | <5 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 3.6 | 139 | 1737 | 28 | 223 | 27976 | 20 | <5 | 24 | 16 | 151 | 16 | 61 | 345 | 16 | <5 | 296 | 26 | 19 | 38 | 15 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 32.5 | 117 | 1317 | 9 | 25 | 7273 | <5 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 106 | 8 | 33 | 230 | 12 | <5 | 117 | 69 | <5 | 25 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 54.1 | 117 | 1377 | 9 | 18 | 6504 | <5 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 139 | 12 | 32 | 219 | 12 | <5 | 180 | 53 | <5 | 22 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 96 | 1377 | 16 | 29 | 10980 | <5 | <5 | 13 | <5 | 148 | 13 | 42 | 274 | 15 | <5 | 149 | 60 | <5 | 26 | 11 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 4.6 | 130 | 1856 | 22 | 59 | 19583 | 7 | <5 | 22 | <5 | 164 | 13 | 56 | 345 | 16 | <5 | 192 | 61 | <5 | 35 | 12 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 42.5 | 130 | 1677 | 12 | 37 | 13008 | <5 | <5 | 14 | <5 | 136 | 10 | 39 | 251 | 13 | <5 | 140 | 27 | <5 | 27 | 8 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 44.7 | 113 | 1377 | 14 | 19 | 10491 | <5 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 150 | 13 | 34 | 225 | 13 | <5 | 191 | 53 | <5 | 25 | 7 | <5 | <5 | |
| A ₃ | 0.4 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 152 | 2336 | 26 | 49 | 19723 | 13 | <5 | 44 | 7 | 200 | 10 | 59 | 358 | 17 | <5 | 185 | 24 | <5 | 33 | 16 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 3.6 | 174 | 2036 | 40 | 81 | 36368 | 18 | <5 | 59 | <5 | 175 | 10 | 102 | 335 | 17 | <5 | 164 | 39 | <5 | 38 | 20 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 44.8 | 139 | 1677 | 16 | 18 | 13288 | <5 | <5 | 24 | <5 | 136 | 10 | 39 | 259 | 14 | <5 | 138 | 70 | <5 | 24 | 9 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 41.6 | 126 | 1916 | 11 | 16 | 14687 | <5 | <5 | 30 | <5 | 174 | 11 | 43 | 273 | 14 | <5 | 185 | 37 | <5 | 28 | 9 | <5 | <5 | |
| B ₁ | 0.6 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 113 | 1737 | 22 | 51 | 22101 | 9 | <5 | 27 | 10 | 173 | 12 | 49 | 303 | 16 | <5 | 146 | 42 | <5 | 22 | 12 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 4.6 | 174 | 2455 | 40 | 81 | 38467 | 14 | <5 | 50 | 14 | 194 | 10 | 63 | 375 | 18 | <5 | 162 | 24 | <5 | 37 | 20 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 35.5 | 144 | 1916 | 20 | 52 | 21669 | 8 | <5 | 32 | 22 | 156 | 9 | 46 | 258 | 15 | <5 | 122 | 57 | <5 | 29 | 15 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 42.9 | 183 | 2396 | 22 | 71 | 27276 | 12 | <5 | 42 | 17 | 208 | 12 | 54 | 305 | 17 | <5 | 203 | 36 | <5 | 37 | 16 | <5 | <5 | |
| B ₂ (T) | 1.0 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 152 | 2695 | 22 | 62 | 27486 | 15 | <5 | 54 | 17 | 210 | 10 | 70 | 408 | 20 | <5 | 184 | 35 | <5 | 35 | 20 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 8.6 | 196 | 2875 | 51 | 74 | 43362 | 19 | <5 | 76 | 10 | 198 | 11 | 66 | 396 | 20 | <5 | 182 | 16 | <5 | 35 | 22 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 32.1 | 139 | 2096 | 13 | 37 | 20282 | 9 | <5 | 32 | <5 | 152 | 7 | 47 | 277 | 15 | <5 | 139 | 41 | <5 | 34 | 13 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 35.5 | 192 | 3354 | 17 | 59 | 31473 | 9 | <5 | 58 | 13 | 222 | 13 | 59 | 317 | 20 | <5 | 210 | 30 | <5 | 34 | 19 | <5 | <5 | |
| P | 1.2 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, CAS, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 257 | 2575 | 66 | 253 | 80431 | 22 | 13 | 108 | 14 | 194 | 10 | 72 | 388 | 21 | 23 | 159 | 68 | <5 | 61 | 25 | 8 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 59.3 | 115 | 1198 | 74 | 460 | 90922 | 50 | 30 | 220 | 22 | 84 | <5 | 48 | 274 | 16 | 62 | 145 | 45 | <5 | 107 | 26 | 26 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 15.5 | 218 | 2875 | 63 | 327 | 64344 | 20 | 14 | 100 | 16 | 215 | 11 | 78 | 377 | 21 | 21 | 196 | 39 | <5 | 90 | 28 | 9 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 12.9 | 174 | 2935 | 33 | 148 | 40565 | 17 | 10 | 67 | 18 | 265 | 15 | 77 | 389 | 23 | 9 | 237 | 35 | <5 | 55 | 27 | 75 | <5 | |
| C | 1.5 | BROWN HORIZON OF HIGHLY WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | MAINLY QUARTZ; ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; H.M - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 205 | 1995 | 27 | 238 | 27066 | 13 | 10 | 74 | 22 | 377 | 21 | 80 | 416 | 25 | 7 | 366 | 20 | <5 | 69 | 33 | 6 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 21.3 | 262 | 1575 | 66 | 431 | 64126 | 26 | 14 | 152 | 17 | 318 | 16 | 67 | 354 | 21 | 36 | 270 | <5 | 90 | 28 | 14 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 57.5 | 209 | 1695 | 18 | 223 | 23182 | 9 | <5 | 69 | 14 | 404 | 24 | 70 | 307 | 24 | 6 | 400 | 25 | <5 | 70 | 29 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 11.7 | 196 | 2174 | 11 | 200 | 32172 | 9 | <5 | 67 | 12 | 437 | 23 | 70 | 347 | 24 | <5 | 430 | 25 | <5 | 64 | 29 | <5 | <5 | |
| R | 1.5 | SLIGHTLY WEATHERED GREY VLAKLAAGTE GRANITE. | QUARTZ; SLIGHTLY SERITISED POTASH FELDSPAR; SERITISED AND KAOLINISED PLAGIOCLASE; BIOTITE CHLORITISED. H.M - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 222 | 3073 | 27 | 245 | 42621 | 10 | 18 | 87 | 31 | 417 | 23 | 107 | 603 | 33 | 12 | 362 | 45 | <5 | 64 | 43 | 9 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 5.4 | 218 | 3193 | 39 | 297 | 45163 | 28 | 19 | 105 | 23 | 477 | 19 | 120 | 709 | 32 | 7 | 326 | 6 | <5 | 82 | 48 | 9 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 21.3 | 262 | 1575 | 66 | 431 | 64126 | 26 | 14 | 152 | 17 | 318 | 16 | 67 | 354 | 21 | 36 | 270 | <5 | 90 | 28 | 14 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 11.7 | 196 | 2174 | 11 | 200 | 32172 | 9 | <5 | 67 | 12 | 437 | 23 | 70 | 347 | 24 | <5 | 430 | 25 | <5 | 64 | 29 | <5 | <5 | |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 11 on grey Vlaklaagte granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m.) | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|------------------|----------|------------------------|---------|-----|-------|-------|-------|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|------|----|-----|--------|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.2 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, CAS, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 104 | 1482 | 9 | 89 | 11179 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 180 | 16 | 45 | 317 | 13 | 8 | 194120 | <5 | 30 | 15 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 4.6 | 134 | 1422 | 40 | 145 | 40005 | 14 | <5 | 32 | <5 | 203 | 18 | 44 | 275 | 14 | 28 | 174 | 27 | <5 | 47 | 19 | 8 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 36.2 | 110 | 1295 | <5 | 40 | 8672 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 164 | 13 | 35 | 250 | 12 | <5 | 154 | 94 | <5 | 41 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 47.9 | 112 | 1421 | <5 | 42 | 8822 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 177 | 15 | 38 | 264 | 11 | <5 | 180 | 63 | <5 | 49 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.5 | 169 | 2505 | 12 | 108 | 15103 | <5 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 247 | 22 | 82 | 613 | 23 | <5 | 292 | 68 | <5 | 45 | 26 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 3.8 | 204 | 3900 | 15 | 247 | 21915 | 10 | <5 | 16 | <5 | 252 | 27 | 136 | 1123 | 28 | <5 | 333 | 49 | <5 | 51 | 36 | 12 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 92 | 1560 | 18 | 61 | 18797 | <5 | <5 | 9 | <5 | 196 | 16 | 50 | 331 | 14 | 16 | 188 | 20 | <5 | 32 | 18 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 5.8 | 186 | 1846 | 87 | 154 | 58383 | 13 | 8 | 56 | 7 | 169 | 13 | 49 | 295 | 16 | 35 | 169 | 7 | <5 | 42 | 23 | 9 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 42.5 | 120 | 1564 | 10 | 49 | 14424 | <5 | <5 | 9 | <5 | 183 | 14 | 42 | 273 | 15 | 10 | 177 | 29 | <5 | 36 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 42.5 | 109 | 1516 | 8 | 19 | 13401 | <5 | 13 | 8 | <5 | 196 | 15 | 44 | 283 | 13 | <5 | 152 | 22 | <5 | 40 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.1 | 164 | 2503 | 15 | 72 | 19940 | <5 | <5 | 16 | 10 | 250 | 21 | 79 | 571 | 22 | 11 | 249 | 27 | <5 | 38 | 28 | 6 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.1 | 190 | 3381 | 26 | 130 | 26447 | 13 | 13 | 19 | 11 | 265 | 22 | 120 | 936 | 25 | 6 | 290 | <5 | 51 | 37 | 12 | |
| P | 0.4 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 155 | 1541 | 59 | 42 | 47086 | 17 | <5 | 54 | <5 | 141 | 10 | 52 | 257 | 13 | 30 | 118 | 14 | <5 | 26 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 46.9 | 222 | 1184124 | 184 | 94391 | 44 | 21133 | 35 | 81 | <5 | 27 | 181 | 13 | 90 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 66 | 19 | 17 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 18.6 | 109 | 1522 | 11 | 48 | 16890 | <5 | <5 | 6 | <5 | 182 | 12 | 41 | 258 | 11 | 7 | 173 | <5 | <5 | 42 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 25.6 | 118 | 1816 | 11 | 25 | 15330 | <5 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 203 | 13 | 45 | 277 | 14 | 9 | 203 | 31 | <5 | 39 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.5 | 176 | 3138 | 18 | 86 | 27329 | 10 | <5 | 27 | 6 | 275 | 18 | 89 | 626 | 23 | 15 | 273 | 27 | <5 | 39 | 29 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 3.4 | 211 | 3940 | 39 | 147 | 39575 | 22 | 15 | 40 | 12 | 293 | 19 | 133 | 972 | 27 | 17 | 282 | <5 | <5 | 60 | 42 | 12 |
| B ₂ (R) | 0.7 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION). | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; ENRICHED IN KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 224 | 2431 | 33 | 131 | 43821 | 34 | 20 | 49 | 29 | 351 | 13 | 76 | 431 | 24 | 112 | 301 | 18 | <5 | 54 | 41 | 11 |
| | | | | >2 | 33.1 | 187 | 2412 | 36 | 130 | 52731 | 37 | 21 | 51 | 27 | 391 | 12 | 71 | 421 | 23 | 161 | 314 | <5 | <5 | 64 | 41 | 11 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 41.3 | 301 | 2215 | 23 | 115 | 40214 | 23 | 11 | 39 | 26 | 341 | 10 | 69 | 321 | 22 | 145 | 276 | 25 | <5 | 59 | 32 | 9 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 14.8 | 201 | 2536 | 27 | 119 | 43621 | 31 | 18 | 44 | 26 | 391 | 13 | 74 | 351 | 22 | 134 | 321 | 25 | <5 | 54 | 35 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.8 | 256 | 2631 | 46 | 133 | 53861 | 33 | 32 | 65 | 32 | 471 | 15 | 89 | 414 | 23 | 162 | 341 | 20 | <5 | 61 | 46 | 9 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.0 | 244 | 2810 | 45 | 101 | 50210 | 45 | 35 | 78 | 33 | 454 | 16 | 93 | 371 | 24 | 169 | 382 | <5 | <5 | 71 | 49 | 12 |
| B ₃ +C | 0.9 | WHITISH-GREY HORIZON CONTAINING MUCH CLAY MINERALS. THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE IS STILL PRESERVED. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR); ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; GREYISH MATRIX OF PREDOMINANTLY KAOLINITE. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 183 | 2276 | 31 | 126 | 41964 | 27 | 21 | 40 | 33 | 395 | 15 | 87 | 356 | 24 | 123 | 324 | 18 | <5 | 47 | 40 | 11 |
| | | | | >2 | 31.3 | 166 | 2249 | 34 | 121 | 48727 | 32 | 21 | 40 | 31 | 431 | 14 | 89 | 325 | 25 | 153 | 344 | <5 | <5 | 57 | 45 | 15 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 43.1 | 277 | 2111 | 22 | 104 | 38123 | 19 | 9 | 31 | 30 | 363 | 13 | 77 | 283 | 23 | 136 | 295 | 31 | <5 | 51 | 34 | 10 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 13.8 | 181 | 2376 | 26 | 110 | 41635 | 27 | 17 | 37 | 30 | 433 | 16 | 86 | 342 | 21 | 123 | 351 | 26 | <5 | 49 | 39 | 8 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.8 | 233 | 2457 | 43 | 123 | 50852 | 29 | 31 | 57 | 36 | 521 | 18 | 103 | 444 | 26 | 146 | 384 | 20 | <5 | 54 | 47 | 11 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.0 | 220 | 2632 | 42 | 94 | 49361 | 39 | 36 | 66 | 37 | 511 | 17 | 110 | 497 | 25 | 153 | 412 | <5 | <5 | 60 | 51 | 12 |
| R | 1.8 | SLIGHTLY WEATHERED BEDROCK. | QUARTZ; KAOLINISED, SERICITISED AND HEMATITISED FELDSPARS; CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED BIOTITE. H.M.- HEM, MAG AND ZR. | | | 196 | 1677 | 7 | 111 | 25178 | <5 | <5 | 14 | 11 | 570 | 42 | 136 | 258 | 23 | 222 | 627 | 12 | <5 | 40 | 35 | 6 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 12 on aplitic Viaklaagte granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|-----|----|-----|------|-----|----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|--|--|
| | | | | | | P | Tl | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U | | |
| A ₁ | 0.2 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 100 | 1297 | 27 | 115 | 7636 | <5 | <5 | 8 | <5 | 64 | 12 | 33 | 306 | 11 | <5 | 99 | 104 | <5 | 19 | 9 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 2.6 | NOT ENOUGH SAMPLE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 34.2 | 75 | 692 | 18 | 72 | 3880 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 29 | 6 | 11 | 105 | 7 | <5 | 48 | 152 | <5 | 18 | <5 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 40.5 | 93 | 1194 | 28 | 59 | 3267 | <5 | <5 | 7 | <5 | 68 | 10 | 21 | 196 | 11 | <5 | 111 | 135 | <5 | 17 | <5 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 14.9 | 177 | 2277 | 29 | 174 | 9773 | <5 | <5 | 6 | <5 | 111 | 19 | 71 | 704 | 16 | <5 | 188 | 88 | <5 | 36 | 17 | 7 | | |
| <.075 | 7.8 | 188 | 3964 | 18 | 237 | 8585 | 6 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 121 | 29 | 115 | 1249 | 25 | <5 | 336 | 69 | <5 | 24 | 28 | 13 | | | | | | |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. THE SOIL IS SANDY. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 36 | 1330 | 32 | 106 | 7365 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 61 | 12 | 37 | 371 | 10 | <5 | 94 | 74 | 7 | 27 | 11 | 6 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 2.6 | 37 | 349 | 40 | 87 | 11799 | <5 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 20 | 7 | 10 | 96 | 7 | <5 | 17 | <5 | <5 | 28 | <5 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 39.7 | 32 | 507 | 20 | 42 | 592 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 23 | 4 | 8 | 90 | 6 | <5 | 26 | 103 | <5 | 15 | <5 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 39.7 | 64 | 1628 | 27 | 79 | 4512 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 67 | 9 | 27 | 257 | 10 | <5 | 103 | 112 | <5 | 15 | <5 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 12.7 | 73 | 2470 | 31 | 119 | 3999 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 104 | 15 | 76 | 770 | 17 | <5 | 180 | 117 | <5 | 25 | 14 | 7 | | |
| <.075 | 5.3 | 81 | 3659 | 15 | 167 | 5598 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 117 | 24 | 111 | 1211 | 24 | <5 | 228 | 46 | <5 | 25 | 26 | 14 | | | | | | |
| SANDY LAYER | 0.5 | A LAYER OF ALMOST PURE SAND. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 47 | 1447 | 23 | 97 | 5895 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 57 | 11 | 34 | 333 | 11 | <5 | 79 | 78 | <5 | 23 | 7 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 3.1 | 36 | 353 | 40 | 61 | 8895 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 21 | 8 | 11 | 97 | 7 | <5 | 30 | <5 | <5 | 33 | 6 | 6 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 35.4 | 33 | 437 | 21 | 60 | 3055 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 21 | 5 | 8 | 79 | 6 | <5 | 14 | 113 | <5 | 15 | <5 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 37.8 | 44 | 1509 | 24 | 57 | 1596 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 62 | 8 | 24 | 217 | 9 | <5 | 85 | 129 | <5 | 21 | <5 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 12.9 | 65 | 2793 | 22 | 129 | 5139 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 105 | 16 | 78 | 766 | 19 | <5 | 183 | 95 | <5 | 32 | 16 | 8 | | |
| <.075 | 10.8 | 62 | 4091 | 14 | 167 | 2420 | <5 | <5 | <5 | >5 | 114 | 23 | 113 | 1251 | 25 | <5 | 242 | 41 | <5 | 33 | 23 | 12 | | | | | | |
| CLAY BAND | 0.6 | A BLACK CONSOLIDATED, ORGANIC RICH, CLAY BAND. | ALMOST ONLY CLAY MINERALS (MAINLY KAOLINITE); FINE QUARTZ GRAINS ARE ALSO PRESENT. H.M.- MAG, ILM AND ZR. | | | 54 | 2560 | 19 | 51 | 8576 | <5 | <5 | 21 | <5 | 123 | 13 | 43 | 348 | 15 | <5 | 183 | 110 | <5 | 19 | 9 | <5 | | |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 13. The nature of the underlying rocks is unknown.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|-----|----------|-------|-----|-------|-----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|---|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U | | |
| A ₁ | 0.15 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 155 | 1474 | 20 | 187 | 15781 | <5 | <5 | 34 | 6 | 102 | 12 | 56 | 343 | 14 | <5 | 108 | 267 | <5 | 39 | 16 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 3.8 | 159 | 1668 | 24 | 191 | 17042 | <5 | <5 | 41 | <5 | 106 | 12 | 58 | 382 | 13 | <5 | 129 | 174 | <5 | 61 | 16 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 49.8 | 169 | 1310 | 12 | 143 | 13200 | <5 | <5 | 26 | <5 | 79 | 8 | 35 | 226 | 11 | <5 | 74 | 227 | <5 | 41 | 9 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 33.9 | 203 | 1786 | 17 | 175 | 13862 | <5 | <5 | 35 | <5 | 114 | 10 | 47 | 284 | 11 | <5 | 128 | 211 | <5 | 49 | 10 | <5 | | |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 152 | 1677 | 16 | 134 | 14312 | <5 | <5 | 40 | <5 | 101 | 9 | 52 | 328 | 12 | <5 | 101 | 138 | <5 | 37 | 11 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 3.2 | 185 | 2082 | 27 | 140 | 22618 | <5 | <5 | 55 | 14 | 123 | 12 | 64 | 404 | 16 | <5 | 101 | 95 | <5 | 51 | 21 | 8 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 55.2 | 151 | 1585 | 10 | 86 | 11977 | <5 | <5 | 37 | <5 | 83 | 6 | 38 | 242 | 11 | <5 | 87 | 104 | <5 | 41 | 7 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 36.0 | 168 | 1894 | 17 | 138 | 17526 | <5 | <5 | 44 | 10 | 121 | 11 | 54 | 314 | 12 | <5 | 117 | 107 | <5 | 50 | 14 | <5 | | |
| A ₃ | 0.5 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 179 | 2095 | 31 | 91 | 23411 | 6 | <5 | 63 | 18 | 125 | 11 | 65 | 393 | 17 | <5 | 106 | 245 | <5 | 38 | 20 | 6 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 9.3 | 190 | 2528 | 30 | 89 | 24412 | 6 | <5 | 76 | 9 | 131 | 9 | 65 | 415 | 15 | <5 | 143 | 110 | <5 | 62 | 20 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 41.5 | 172 | 1895 | 15 | 91 | 19665 | <5 | <5 | 49 | 11 | 97 | 7 | 41 | 256 | 12 | <5 | 89 | 168 | <5 | 48 | 11 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 34.4 | 229 | 2763 | 24 | 116 | 26319 | <5 | <5 | 81 | 12 | 139 | 8 | 65 | 359 | 14 | <5 | 154 | 239 | <5 | 50 | 13 | <5 | | |
| B ₁ | 0.7 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 200 | 2381 | 34 | 98 | 25311 | 8 | 7 | 77 | 18 | 131 | 10 | 71 | 401 | 16 | <5 | 110 | 150 | <5 | 42 | 20 | 6 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 7.0 | 201 | 2723 | 34 | 93 | 28465 | 6 | <5 | 83 | 11 | 137 | 9 | 67 | 399 | 17 | <5 | 138 | 99 | <5 | 63 | 21 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 47.1 | 189 | 1985 | 25 | 94 | 21521 | <5 | <5 | 57 | 13 | 104 | 6 | 45 | 266 | 12 | <5 | 83 | 85 | <5 | 47 | 13 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 33.4 | 235 | 2865 | 27 | 121 | 27512 | <5 | <5 | 91 | 15 | 145 | 8 | 69 | 371 | 15 | <5 | 146 | 161 | <5 | 53 | 13 | <5 | | |
| B ₂ (T) | 1.1 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 223 | 2955 | 37 | 103 | 33475 | 10 | 9 | 106 | 19 | 142 | 8 | 71 | 416 | 17 | <5 | 125 | 68 | <5 | 46 | 21 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 11.8 | 265 | 2696 | 48 | 154 | 41808 | 9 | 23 | 105 | 31 | 128 | 9 | 65 | 360 | 18 | <5 | 124 | 81 | <5 | 61 | 24 | 6 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 42.2 | 168 | 2063 | 26 | 68 | 23691 | 7 | <5 | 74 | 8 | 105 | 5 | 46 | 266 | 11 | <5 | 89 | 63 | <5 | 51 | 11 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 29.2 | 249 | 3250 | 41 | 118 | 39979 | 13 | 15 | 106 | 30 | 168 | 10 | 82 | 426 | 20 | <5 | 137 | 108 | <5 | 57 | 27 | 5 | | |
| P | 1.5 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, CAS, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 296 | 4550 | 70 | 183 | 55217 | 29 | 36 | 166 | 23 | 217 | 13 | 120 | 791 | 33 | <5 | 156 | 105 | <5 | 55 | 46 | 11 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 81.2 | 43 | 1257 | 145 | 99102811 | 60 | 34 | 349 | <5 | 57 | 5 | 53 | 302 | 15 | <5 | 5 | 13 | <5 | 79 | 35 | 38 | | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 8.7 | 236 | 2155 | 44 | 120 | 36622 | 7 | 8 | 95 | 23 | 102 | 8 | 52 | 303 | 15 | <5 | 82 | 197 | <5 | 48 | 19 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 3.3 | 289 | 3253 | 49 | 148 | 40863 | 22 | 21 | 131 | 25 | 172 | 11 | 95 | 526 | 23 | <5 | 175 | 190 | <5 | 61 | 31 | <5 | | |
| C | 2.5 | BROWN HORIZON OF HIGHLY WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | MAINLY QUARTZ; ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; H.M - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 109 | 1386 | 25 | 79 | 18243 | 7 | 10 | 79 | 15 | 189 | 7 | 59 | 273 | 11 | <5 | 157 | 104 | <5 | 19 | 19 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 61.3 | 89 | 1134 | 11 | 45 | 13897 | <5 | <5 | 69 | <5 | 81 | <5 | 32 | 167 | 10 | <5 | 75 | 94 | <5 | 29 | 13 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 15.4 | 153 | 2064 | 14 | 78 | 22438 | 9 | <5 | 82 | 15 | 109 | 5 | 53 | 301 | 13 | <5 | 87 | 121 | <5 | 37 | 21 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 7.8 | 201 | 2951 | 29 | 117 | 35210 | 15 | 7 | 95 | 29 | 157 | 7 | 87 | 501 | 18 | <5 | 146 | 176 | <5 | 34 | 33 | <5 | | |
| | | | | | | .075-.180 | 9.8 | 224 | 2621 | 36 | 121 | 40121 | 21 | 10 | 122 | 24 | 171 | 9 | 109 | 619 | 19 | <5 | 189 | 123 | <5 | 39 | 38 | 6 |
| | | | | | | <.075 | 5.7 | 229 | 3151 | 45 | 162 | 45212 | 35 | 19 | 144 | 32 | 215 | 10 | 115 | 821 | 19 | <5 | 183 | 76 | <5 | 43 | 47 | 7 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 14 on altered Makhutso Granite -very close to the contact with the Viaklaagte granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m.) | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPH) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|-----|-----|-------|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|----|------|------|----|----|----|-----|----|---|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U | | |
| A ₁ | 0.3 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, CAS, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 113 | 1377 | 13 | 58 | 11889 | <5 | <5 | 36 | 8 | 99 | 11 | 62 | 370 | 15 | <5 | 80 | 272 | <5 | 32 | 16 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 2.3 | 99 | 1257 | 39 | 63 | 21681 | 10 | 9 | 44 | <5 | 109 | 22 | 60 | 368 | 19 | 12 | 121 | 109 | 21 | 66 | 38 | 32 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 46.2 | 135 | 1377 | 13 | 55 | 10491 | <5 | <5 | 33 | 6 | 87 | 10 | 54 | 297 | 13 | <5 | 69 | 155 | <5 | 43 | 12 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 37.8 | 148 | 1497 | 9 | 45 | 9092 | <5 | <5 | 40 | <5 | 102 | 9 | 56 | 317 | 12 | <5 | 100 | 228 | <5 | 38 | 11 | <5 | | |
| A _{2(E)} | 0.5 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, CAS, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 126 | 1856 | 19 | 37 | 15806 | 6 | <5 | 69 | 7 | 115 | 9 | 69 | 414 | 16 | <5 | 96 | 210 | <5 | 33 | 16 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 4.5 | 122 | 1497 | 20 | 42 | 17904 | <5 | <5 | 56 | 12 | 96 | 10 | 55 | 346 | 14 | <5 | 70 | 159 | <5 | 45 | 17 | 6 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 38.0 | 130 | 1617 | 13 | 28 | 12589 | <5 | <5 | 56 | <5 | 94 | 6 | 47 | 306 | 12 | <5 | 70 | 135 | <5 | 37 | 11 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 42.2 | 170 | 1976 | 18 | 68 | 20282 | <5 | 8 | 69 | 17 | 128 | 11 | 64 | 363 | 16 | <5 | 112 | 195 | <5 | 51 | 18 | <5 | | |
| A ₃ | 0.6 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, CAS, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 165 | 2036 | 22 | 70 | 21681 | 9 | 7 | 74 | 20 | 126 | 11 | 68 | 429 | 18 | <5 | 106 | 158 | <5 | 43 | 23 | 6 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 8.5 | 148 | 2096 | 20 | 42 | 20282 | 7 | <5 | 88 | 14 | 117 | 8 | 61 | 405 | 17 | 8 | 61 | 405 | 17 | 8 | 61 | 405 | 17 | 8 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 43.5 | 148 | 1797 | 16 | 62 | 19583 | <5 | 16 | 65 | 16 | 106 | 9 | 52 | 321 | 14 | <5 | 86 | 118 | <5 | 48 | 16 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 27.2 | 192 | 2336 | 18 | 54 | 22380 | 8 | <5 | 96 | 16 | 135 | 9 | 65 | 397 | 16 | <5 | 128 | 151 | <5 | 49 | 19 | <5 | | |
| B ₁ | 0.7 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, CAS, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 169 | 2140 | 22 | 69 | 22481 | 8 | 9 | 86 | 20 | 127 | 10 | 70 | 450 | 18 | <5 | 114 | 163 | <5 | 45 | 23 | 6 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 10.5 | 170 | 2176 | 21 | 43 | 21342 | 6 | 7 | 94 | 17 | 113 | 9 | 65 | 436 | 16 | <5 | 97 | 117 | <5 | 47 | 18 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 43.5 | 170 | 1830 | 17 | 57 | 19982 | <5 | 20 | 72 | 19 | 111 | 9 | 57 | 357 | 15 | <5 | 91 | 123 | <5 | 48 | 21 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 25.2 | 200 | 2476 | 20 | 56 | 23456 | 7 | 13 | 105 | 21 | 142 | 8 | 71 | 423 | 13 | <5 | 135 | 172 | <5 | 53 | 21 | <5 | | |
| B _{2(T)} | 10.95 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON. GRADING OCCUR INTO THE PEBBLE LAYER. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, CAS, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 170 | 2336 | 23 | 68 | 23989 | 10 | 14 | 104 | 18 | 131 | 9 | 75 | 491 | 18 | <5 | 110 | 175 | <5 | 49 | 22 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 17.9 | 205 | 2336 | 30 | 104 | 28535 | 6 | 41 | 88 | 23 | 115 | 11 | 65 | 420 | 17 | <5 | 99 | 111 | <5 | 49 | 23 | 8 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 36.9 | 157 | 1916 | 15 | 48 | 18184 | 6 | <5 | 75 | 9 | 96 | 7 | 50 | 330 | 13 | <5 | 90 | 141 | <5 | 47 | 13 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 25.5 | 218 | 2695 | 25 | 96 | 29374 | 9 | 24 | 101 | 29 | 151 | 12 | 78 | 461 | 20 | <5 | 132 | 204 | <5 | 47 | 25 | 6 | | |
| P | 1.2 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES GOETHITE PELLETS AND ROCK DEBRIS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, CAS, ILM AND ZR, | TOTAL | | 251 | 2216 | 78 | 267 | 58749 | 21 | 17 | 152 | 18 | 110 | 9 | 70 | 436 | 21 | <5 | 1081 | 235 | <5 | 84 | 24 | 12 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 48.9 | 235 | 1713 | 115 | 186 | 91219 | 31 | 27 | 256 | 14 | 73 | 5 | 45 | 270 | 14 | <5 | 8 | 731 | <5 | 68 | 22 | 17 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 26.6 | 178 | 2276 | 29 | 104 | 29374 | <5 | 6 | 92 | 20 | 118 | 9 | 66 | 409 | 16 | <5 | 1001 | 1570 | <5 | 56 | 19 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 13.8 | 222 | 3174 | 32 | 89 | 32172 | 15 | 15 | 131 | 24 | 163 | 11 | 94 | 572 | 21 | <5 | 1591 | 1051 | <5 | 59 | 28 | 5 | | |
| R | 1.2 | HIGHLY WEATHERED GREISEN. | MAINLY QUARTZ; ALTERED BIOTITE AND MUSCOVITE (MAINLY SERICITE); KAOLINITE; CAS, HEM AND ZR AND MAG. | TOTAL | | 270 | 4492 | 49 | 148 | 47559 | 35 | 30 | 192 | 40 | 206 | 13 | 131 | 920 | 30 | <5 | 185 | 473 | <5 | 68 | 43 | 11 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 4.8 | 270 | 4492 | 49 | 148 | 47559 | 35 | 30 | 192 | 40 | 206 | 13 | 131 | 920 | 30 | <5 | 185 | 473 | <5 | 68 | 43 | 11 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 26.6 | 178 | 2276 | 29 | 104 | 29374 | <5 | 6 | 92 | 20 | 118 | 9 | 66 | 409 | 16 | <5 | 1001 | 1570 | <5 | 56 | 19 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 13.8 | 222 | 3174 | 32 | 89 | 32172 | 15 | 15 | 131 | 24 | 163 | 11 | 94 | 572 | 21 | <5 | 1591 | 1051 | <5 | 59 | 28 | 5 | | |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 15 on greisen.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m.) | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPH) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|-----|----|-----|------|-----|----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | NI | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Hf | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.15 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 151 | 1914 | 14 | 70 | 15307 | 5 | <5 | 67 | <5 | 132 | 9 | 67 | 381 | 15 | <5 | 137 | 149 | <5 | 23 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 3.6 | 188 | 2400 | 21 | 71 | 23575 | 8 | <5 | 100 | <5 | 162 | 9 | 75 | 464 | 17 | <5 | 141 | 169 | <5 | 47 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 46.9 | 154 | 1746 | 6 | 58 | 13254 | <5 | <5 | 57 | <5 | 110 | 7 | 47 | 310 | 12 | <5 | 116 | 179 | <5 | 37 | 7 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 37.8 | 194 | 2319 | 9 | 65 | 16903 | <5 | <5 | 76 | <5 | 157 | 11 | 59 | 333 | 15 | <5 | 178 | 175 | <5 | 35 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.5 | 210 | 2733 | 7 | 84 | 19079 | 7 | <5 | 85 | <5 | 153 | 12 | 93 | 617 | 20 | <5 | 172 | 177 | <5 | 29 | 18 | <5 |
| <.075 | 4.2 | 272 | 4545 | 24 | 161 | 36243 | 22 | 13 | 165 | 22 | 209 | 17 | 161 | 1209 | 32 | <5 | 226 | 73 | <5 | 34 | 41 | 10 | | | | |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.25 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 146 | 1829 | 17 | 87 | 19360 | <5 | <5 | 60 | <5 | 135 | 11 | 67 | 380 | 15 | <5 | 133 | 230 | <5 | 19 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 5.2 | 175 | 2161 | 16 | 60 | 20535 | 7 | <5 | 75 | 11 | 139 | 11 | 69 | 419 | 18 | <5 | 137 | 166 | <5 | 37 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 42.8 | 165 | 1926 | 7 | 43 | 15612 | 5 | <5 | 62 | 9 | 111 | 8 | 48 | 290 | 14 | <5 | 112 | 155 | <5 | 34 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 42.8 | 191 | 2344 | 11 | 58 | 19940 | <5 | <5 | 74 | 12 | 159 | 12 | 69 | 350 | 16 | <5 | 168 | 198 | <5 | 37 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.9 | 220 | 2874 | 22 | 87 | 25028 | 7 | <5 | 89 | 16 | 165 | 14 | 106 | 694 | 21 | <5 | 183 | 141 | <5 | 34 | 24 | <5 |
| <.075 | 3.3 | 258 | 4146 | 30 | 166 | 37227 | 18 | 16 | 138 | 24 | 203 | 17 | 156 | 1160 | 30 | <5 | 212 | 74 | <5 | 43 | 34 | 10 | | | | |
| A ₃ | 0.4 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 164 | 2374 | 13 | 31 | 19865 | 8 | <5 | 98 | 7 | 138 | 8 | 54 | 367 | 16 | <5 | 142 | 180 | <5 | 19 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 4.6 | 150 | 2055 | 22 | 46 | 24045 | 7 | <5 | 97 | <5 | 125 | 8 | 62 | 391 | 16 | <5 | 120 | 101 | <5 | 35 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 43.4 | 143 | 1906 | 8 | 19 | 14463 | <5 | <5 | 69 | <5 | 106 | 6 | 45 | 278 | 13 | <5 | 106 | 161 | <5 | 31 | 6 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 40.4 | 175 | 2421 | 10 | 38 | 20055 | 6 | <5 | 92 | 5 | 164 | 10 | 60 | 359 | 16 | <5 | 191 | 165 | <5 | 39 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.3 | 213 | 3372 | 10 | 63 | 27501 | 12 | <5 | 128 | 12 | 171 | 11 | 111 | 752 | 23 | <5 | 182 | 132 | <5 | 27 | 25 | <5 |
| <.075 | 4.3 | 239 | 4190 | 35 | 120 | 38854 | 25 | 14 | 174 | 21 | 208 | 14 | 141 | 1054 | 29 | <5 | 212 | 59 | <5 | 34 | 38 | 10 | | | | |
| B ₁ | 1.0 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 212 | 3169 | 27 | 95 | 32343 | 14 | 5 | 127 | 26 | 167 | 10 | 81 | 505 | 21 | <5 | 160 | 146 | <5 | 29 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 9.7 | 198 | 2927 | 23 | 104 | 31947 | 9 | <5 | 109 | 16 | 150 | 9 | 77 | 495 | 18 | <5 | 134 | 71 | <5 | 48 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 39.5 | 181 | 2234 | 15 | 70 | 23484 | <5 | <5 | 85 | 13 | 117 | 7 | 57 | 319 | 14 | <5 | 104 | 145 | <5 | 35 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 31.3 | 228 | 3399 | 22 | 79 | 34043 | 12 | 7 | 135 | 27 | 189 | 11 | 84 | 490 | 23 | <5 | 188 | 137 | <5 | 37 | 26 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 12.2 | 249 | 3931 | 31 | 126 | 40317 | 19 | 17 | 148 | 28 | 200 | 12 | 120 | 831 | 27 | <5 | 191 | 84 | <5 | 42 | 33 | 6 |
| <.075 | 7.3 | 249 | 4257 | 50 | 131 | 47900 | 29 | 28 | 186 | 39 | 221 | 12 | 134 | 886 | 31 | <5 | 186 | 55 | <5 | 45 | 41 | 9 | | | | |
| B ₂ (T) | 1.7 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 180 | 2951 | 16 | 82 | 27779 | 14 | <5 | 134 | 10 | 144 | 7 | 84 | 500 | 19 | <5 | 127 | 98 | <5 | 25 | 19 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 18.3 | 169 | 2328 | 26 | 55 | 30374 | 7 | <5 | 110 | 5 | 93 | 5 | 53 | 324 | 16 | <5 | 76 | 47 | <5 | 35 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 34.5 | 176 | 2807 | 14 | 66 | 24116 | 11 | <5 | 121 | 9 | 128 | 6 | 61 | 372 | 18 | <5 | 122 | 108 | <5 | 39 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 29.4 | 217 | 3845 | 20 | 114 | 36124 | 20 | <5 | 170 | 18 | 198 | 10 | 100 | 590 | 25 | <5 | 186 | 141 | <5 | 33 | 28 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 10.2 | 220 | 3982 | 36 | 152 | 40207 | 22 | 7 | 166 | 12 | 198 | 10 | 112 | 789 | 26 | <5 | 181 | 58 | <5 | 48 | 30 | <5 |
| <.075 | 7.6 | 223 | 4582 | 34 | 165 | 45395 | 31 | 19 | 218 | 29 | 219 | 11 | 147 | 964 | 33 | <5 | 175 | 66 | <5 | 43 | 42 | 7 | | | | |
| P | 2.4 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. (GRADING OCCUR INTO THE B ₂ HORIZON) | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, CAS, ILM AND ZR, | TOTAL | | 198 | 2735 | 38 | 156 | 38334 | 12 | <5 | 123 | 14 | 134 | 8 | 75 | 546 | 19 | <5 | 112 | 113 | <5 | 34 | 20 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 41.8 | 218 | 1665 | 77 | 126 | 59984 | 6 | <5 | 112 | <5 | 57 | 7 | 38 | 345 | 11 | <5 | 47 | 537 | <5 | 47 | 11 | 6 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 28.9 | 194 | 2853 | 22 | 118 | 31360 | 11 | <5 | 119 | 17 | 148 | 9 | 74 | 524 | 20 | <5 | 140 | 177 | <5 | 47 | 20 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 13.6 | 223 | 2175 | 31 | 180 | 41991 | 17 | 12 | 158 | 24 | 212 | 12 | 109 | 692 | 27 | <5 | 181 | 105 | <5 | 48 | 33 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.8 | 224 | 3962 | 31 | 196 | 42036 | 18 | 14 | 157 | 25 | 199 | 12 | 125 | 909 | 28 | <5 | 184 | 95 | <5 | 51 | 37 | 7 |
| <.075 | 6.9 | 227 | 4383 | 49 | 244 | 49802 | 23 | 26 | 177 | 26 | 226 | 12 | 148 | 1045 | 31 | <5 | 191 | 35 | <5 | 62 | 46 | 10 | | | | |
| C | 2.5 | BROWN HORIZON OF HIGHLY WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | MAINLY QUARTZ; ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; H.M - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 188 | 2915 | 39 | 143 | 32143 | 12 | 7 | 98 | 21 | 225 | 19 | 84 | 402 | 24 | <5 | 257 | 45 | <5 | 63 | 31 | 7 |
| | | | | >2 | 32.1 | 210 | 2671 | 80 | 122 | 49282 | 7 | 6 | 101 | 13 | 183 | 14 | 63 | 376 | 22 | <5 | 231 | 79 | <5 | 98 | 26 | 6 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 41.3 | 192 | 2653 | 25 | 101 | 29260 | 11 | <5 | 116 | 15 | 234 | 18 | 69 | 327 | 23 | <5 | 331 | 131 | <5 | 67 | 26 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 14.8 | 219 | 3089 | 34 | 176 | 35243 | 15 | 8 | 163 | 13 | 256 | 19 | 67 | 367 | 24 | <5 | 351 | 101 | <5 | 61 | 27 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.8 | 216 | 3974 | 32 | 196 | 36921 | 17 | 12 | 159 | 29 | 289 | 21 | 98 | 590 | 31 | <5 | 301 | 98 | <5 | 62 | 39 | 9 |
| <.075 | 7.0 | 221 | 4083 | 48 | 247 | 41562 | 21 | 18 | 186 | 25 | 273 | 17 | 101 | 634 | 32 | <5 | 298 | 76 | <5 | 78 | 45 | 11 | | | | |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 16 on slightly altered Viaklaagte granite -very close to the contact with the Makhutso Granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPH) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|------|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.2 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 2.6 | 162 | 1824 | 15 | 65 | 13107 | 5 | <5 | 38 | <5 | 70 | 8 | 63 | 361 | 12 | <5 | 91 | 74 | <5 | 20 | 11 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 45.8 | 144 | 2217 | 20 | 70 | 19603 | 7 | <5 | 50 | <5 | 81 | 7 | 72 | 452 | 15 | <5 | 101 | 73 | <5 | 37 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 37.9 | 167 | 1820 | 8 | 63 | 11657 | <5 | <5 | 27 | <5 | 66 | 7 | 45 | 325 | 11 | <5 | 87 | 78 | <5 | 31 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.2 | 204 | 2220 | 9 | 69 | 17538 | <5 | <5 | 40 | <5 | 82 | 10 | 52 | 349 | 14 | <5 | 130 | 79 | <5 | 31 | 11 | <5 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.35 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 4.8 | 156 | 1817 | 16 | 81 | 12237 | <5 | <5 | 30 | <5 | 72 | 9 | 69 | 356 | 14 | <5 | 81 | 59 | <5 | 17 | 9 | 7 |
| | | | | >2 | 41.3 | 151 | 2176 | 19 | 70 | 17512 | 6 | <5 | 35 | 7 | 66 | 8 | 71 | 449 | 17 | <5 | 94 | 63 | <5 | 35 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 42.9 | 171 | 1917 | 7 | 51 | 10513 | <5 | <5 | 30 | 6 | 59 | 7 | 53 | 310 | 13 | <5 | 86 | 58 | <5 | 30 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 6.8 | 195 | 2243 | 10 | 52 | 15321 | <5 | <5 | 40 | 7 | 89 | 11 | 74 | 366 | 15 | <5 | 124 | 78 | <5 | 33 | 14 | <5 |
| A ₃ | 0.5 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 4.4 | 161 | 2271 | 14 | 46 | 17215 | 7 | <5 | 42 | <5 | 76 | 9 | 73 | 336 | 15 | <5 | 101 | 76 | <5 | 18 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 42.3 | 155 | 1931 | 23 | 45 | 21316 | <5 | <5 | 51 | 6 | 69 | 9 | 79 | 362 | 15 | <5 | 84 | 69 | <5 | 37 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 39.6 | 161 | 1917 | 8 | 30 | 15823 | <5 | <5 | 47 | 5 | 62 | 8 | 62 | 254 | 13 | <5 | 75 | 63 | <5 | 29 | 7 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.4 | 172 | 2318 | 9 | 41 | 19563 | 6 | <5 | 48 | 7 | 91 | 12 | 81 | 312 | 15 | <5 | 142 | 58 | <5 | 31 | 10 | <5 |
| B ₁ | 0.9 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 9.5 | 175 | 2346 | 24 | 81 | 23578 | 11 | <5 | 61 | 6 | 81 | 8 | 79 | 317 | 20 | <5 | 126 | 52 | <5 | 21 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 40.3 | 161 | 1917 | 29 | 84 | 21542 | 7 | <5 | 52 | 8 | 76 | 8 | 73 | 313 | 20 | <5 | 92 | 45 | <5 | 41 | 22 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 30.7 | 171 | 2015 | 11 | 71 | 23718 | <5 | <5 | 54 | 7 | 66 | 7 | 54 | 278 | 16 | <5 | 74 | 39 | <5 | 33 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 11.3 | 185 | 2378 | 14 | 81 | 34586 | 6 | <5 | 62 | 11 | 93 | 10 | 89 | 402 | 21 | <5 | 148 | 42 | <5 | 34 | 25 | <5 |
| B ₂ (T) | 1.7 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON. GRADING OCCUR INTO THE PEBBLE LAYER. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 17.4 | 162 | 2864 | 15 | 74 | 28345 | 12 | <5 | 62 | 7 | 82 | 7 | 78 | 425 | 19 | <5 | 131 | 48 | <5 | 21 | 20 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 35.5 | 154 | 2024 | 24 | 60 | 26918 | 7 | <5 | 78 | 7 | 79 | 7 | 69 | 312 | 18 | <5 | 101 | 52 | <5 | 39 | 11 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 30.3 | 176 | 2631 | 12 | 63 | 22454 | 6 | <5 | 64 | 6 | 71 | 6 | 49 | 361 | 15 | <5 | 94 | 43 | <5 | 31 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 7.2 | 189 | 3642 | 15 | 91 | 34916 | 14 | 6 | 73 | 8 | 99 | 9 | 81 | 567 | 24 | <5 | 147 | 51 | <5 | 35 | 27 | <5 |
| P | 2.4 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. GRADING OCCUR INTO THE B ₂ HORIZON. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, CAS, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 39.7 | 198 | 2642 | 32 | 111 | 36921 | 11 | <5 | 48 | 12 | 74 | 7 | 69 | 466 | 19 | <5 | 94 | 53 | <5 | 19 | 21 | 7 |
| | | | | >2 | 29.9 | 201 | 2153 | 47 | 97 | 48712 | 6 | <5 | 51 | 7 | 69 | 6 | 41 | 325 | 12 | <5 | 58 | 61 | <5 | 34 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 14.9 | 187 | 2481 | 19 | 110 | 29583 | 12 | <5 | 61 | 6 | 68 | 6 | 61 | 516 | 21 | <5 | 98 | 62 | <5 | 31 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.5 | 231 | 3467 | 25 | 131 | 39516 | 16 | 7 | 62 | 11 | 89 | 9 | 101 | 691 | 26 | <5 | 110 | 53 | <5 | 30 | 25 | <5 |
| PAL-COL | 2.7 | BROWN HORIZON OF WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M. - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 8.6 | 165 | 2361 | 29 | 88 | 36926 | 11 | <5 | 60 | 8 | 72 | 7 | 68 | 338 | 15 | <5 | 98 | 31 | <5 | 19 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 38.7 | 84 | 2148 | 41 | 79 | 41517 | 7 | <5 | 75 | 7 | 71 | 6 | 38 | 341 | 17 | <5 | 94 | 48 | <5 | 35 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 31.2 | 172 | 2219 | 28 | 83 | 28756 | 13 | <5 | 69 | 7 | 69 | 7 | 58 | 267 | 14 | <5 | 82 | 41 | <5 | 31 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 12.5 | 193 | 2986 | 29 | 109 | 40196 | 17 | 6 | 75 | 10 | 81 | 8 | 97 | 308 | 16 | <5 | 128 | 47 | <5 | 34 | 11 | <5 |
| PAL-COL | | | | .075-.180 | 9.0 | 207 | 3148 | 34 | 154 | 44512 | 19 | 9 | 101 | 15 | 104 | 10 | 114 | 717 | 20 | <5 | 131 | 39 | <5 | 35 | 22 | 7 |
| | | | | <.075 | 9.0 | 211 | 3565 | 42 | 191 | 51761 | 22 | 22 | 116 | 20 | 157 | 13 | 137 | 1036 | 28 | <5 | 174 | 45 | <5 | 36 | 37 | 11 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 17. (Nature of underlying rocks unknown).

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m.) | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPH) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|-----|-------|-------|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|------|----|----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.1 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, CAS, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 27.4 | 101 | 1213 | 9 | 96 | 10337 | <5 | <5 | 5 | <5 | 91 | 9 | 53 | 351 | 11 | <5 | 55 | 187 | <5 | 23 | 19 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 39 | 442 | 10 | 87 | 7884 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 107 | 5 | 24 | 140 | 7 | <5 | 37 | 98 | <5 | 36 | 7 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 44.7 | 109 | 1277 | 7 | 76 | 8043 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 79 | 6 | 41 | 286 | 9 | <5 | 52 | 133 | <5 | 32 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 15.4 | 130 | 1432 | 7 | 94 | 9439 | <5 | <5 | 6 | <5 | 101 | 7 | 62 | 352 | 12 | <5 | 72 | 274 | <5 | 27 | 20 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.4 | 170 | 1723 | 9 | 111 | 10239 | <5 | <5 | 5 | <5 | 103 | 10 | 86 | 622 | 17 | <5 | 89 | 264 | <5 | 32 | 29 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.1 | 247 | 3638 | 18 | 244 | 18548 | 11 | <5 | 20 | 9 | 152 | 18 | 150 | 1241 | 26 | <5 | 182 | 188 | <5 | 35 | 50 | 11 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.2 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, CAS, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 25.0 | 91 | 1325 | 17 | 57 | 17845 | <5 | <5 | 9 | <5 | 83 | 9 | 53 | 312 | 12 | <5 | 49 | 167 | <5 | 24 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 183 | 1502 | 64 | 149 | 56341 | <5 | <5 | 44 | 7 | 74 | 6 | 49 | 276 | 13 | <5 | 33 | 96 | <5 | 34 | 8 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 47.1 | 114 | 1213 | 11 | 46 | 13252 | <5 | <5 | 9 | <5 | 79 | 7 | 43 | 266 | 12 | <5 | 44 | 141 | <5 | 28 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 17.4 | 102 | 1205 | 8 | 17 | 12421 | <5 | <5 | 9 | 10 | 87 | 8 | 46 | 269 | 10 | <5 | 65 | 263 | <5 | 31 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.5 | 156 | 2246 | 14 | 69 | 18631 | <5 | <5 | 15 | 13 | 110 | 11 | 83 | 553 | 18 | <5 | 73 | 278 | <5 | 30 | 31 | 7 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.0 | 187 | 3021 | 27 | 127 | 25215 | 11 | 16 | 18 | 16 | 121 | 13 | 127 | 898 | 23 | <5 | 178 | 193 | <5 | 41 | 51 | 11 |
| P | 0.35 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, CAS, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 49.3 | 76 | 954 | 19 | 91 | 16925 | <5 | <5 | 9 | 7 | 134 | 7 | 39 | 235 | 10 | <5 | 59 | 147 | <5 | 21 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 63 | 538 | 9 | 48 | 12790 | <5 | <5 | 5 | <5 | 99 | <5 | 18 | 108 | 6 | <5 | 13 | 65 | <5 | 31 | 6 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 31.4 | 121 | 1360 | 11 | 65 | 13487 | <5 | <5 | 11 | 10 | 90 | 6 | 41 | 257 | 10 | <5 | 56 | 117 | <5 | 27 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 12.4 | 168 | 1944 | 17 | 95 | 18245 | <5 | <5 | 17 | 11 | 116 | 8 | 57 | 353 | 15 | <5 | 96 | 271 | <5 | 38 | 22 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 4.1 | 209 | 2291 | 31 | 95 | 20024 | <5 | <5 | 29 | 23 | 131 | 10 | 87 | 595 | 19 | <5 | 109 | 212 | <5 | 27 | 31 | 5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 2.8 | 225 | 3341 | 40 | 164 | 29526 | 13 | 34 | 37 | 23 | 178 | 15 | 138 | 1095 | 24 | <5 | 151 | 148 | <5 | 44 | 52 | 11 |
| B ₂ (R) | 0.7 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION). | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; ENRICHED IN KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 46.4 | 117 | 1485 | 16 | 81 | 18506 | 6 | <5 | 22 | 8 | 173 | 5 | 61 | 283 | 11 | <5 | 60 | 75 | <5 | 22 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 97 | 1186 | 11 | 48 | 14162 | <5 | <5 | 15 | <5 | 88 | <5 | 36 | 177 | 9 | <5 | 42 | 55 | <5 | 30 | 12 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 27.6 | 162 | 2268 | 15 | 81 | 24720 | 10 | <5 | 39 | 17 | 114 | 5 | 62 | 327 | 14 | <5 | 77 | 114 | <5 | 36 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 12.6 | 235 | 3190 | 32 | 123 | 34522 | 18 | 8 | 59 | 32 | 162 | 8 | 94 | 499 | 20 | <5 | 122 | 150 | <5 | 37 | 39 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.4 | 249 | 3297 | 43 | 142 | 37208 | 25 | 12 | 55 | 30 | 177 | 9 | 116 | 690 | 21 | <5 | 148 | 110 | <5 | 46 | 44 | 6 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.2 | 231 | 3634 | 51 | 171 | 44334 | 37 | 24 | 70 | 39 | 206 | 10 | 124 | 738 | 23 | <5 | 145 | 57 | <5 | 51 | 52 | 7 |
| B ₃ +C | 1.3 | WHITISH-GREY HORIZON CONTAINING MUCH CLAY MINERALS. THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE IS STILL PRESERVED. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR); ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; GREYISH MATRIX OF PREDOMINANTLY KAOLINITE. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH AND ZR. | TOTAL | 57.6 | 131 | 1537 | 15 | 78 | 16730 | <5 | <5 | 23 | 17 | 197 | 6 | 56 | 264 | 10 | <5 | 65 | 55 | <5 | 22 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 107 | 1176 | 12 | 63 | 14925 | <5 | <5 | 15 | 11 | 75 | <5 | 41 | 197 | 9 | <5 | 29 | 23 | <5 | 32 | 15 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 25.9 | 178 | 2078 | 19 | 100 | 21199 | 7 | <5 | 32 | 24 | 108 | 6 | 67 | 332 | 15 | <5 | 69 | 72 | <5 | 30 | 25 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 11.4 | 251 | 3183 | 41 | 156 | 31692 | 20 | 16 | 48 | 35 | 173 | 8 | 109 | 516 | 20 | <5 | 126 | 111 | <5 | 52 | 43 | 5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 4.8 | 282 | 3470 | 39 | 172 | 34166 | 22 | 23 | 58 | 42 | 182 | 10 | 133 | 719 | 25 | <5 | 142 | 109 | <5 | 38 | 52 | 10 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.3 | 286 | 3825 | 55 | 181 | 39237 | 29 | 32 | 75 | 57 | 211 | 11 | 137 | 698 | 28 | <5 | 148 | 47 | <5 | 49 | 59 | 10 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 18 on altered Makhutso Granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m.) | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|------|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.2 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 7.7 | 101 | 1241 | 6 | 47 | 13518 | <5 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 96 | 6 | 51 | 320 | 13 | <5 | 68 | 61 | <5 | 30 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 55.2 | 132 | 1569 | 15 | 69 | 12627 | <5 | <5 | 25 | <5 | 123 | 7 | 66 | 421 | 13 | <5 | 89 | 24 | <5 | 39 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 26.3 | 109 | 1112 | 10 | 29 | 7536 | <5 | <5 | 19 | <5 | 94 | 7 | 44 | 262 | 10 | <5 | 61 | 71 | <5 | 32 | 11 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 6.2 | 169 | 1763 | 13 | 68 | 13092 | <5 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 137 | 7 | 63 | 351 | 15 | <5 | 101 | 69 | <5 | 37 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 4.6 | 251 | 3563 | 32 | 193 | 21576 | 11 | 7 | 35 | 7 | 176 | 17 | 139 | 1124 | 20 | <5 | 196 | 76 | <5 | 51 | 39 | 14 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.35 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 6.8 | 103 | 1362 | 17 | 58 | 12636 | <5 | <5 | 8 | <5 | 109 | 7 | 57 | 324 | 13 | <5 | 71 | 58 | <5 | 33 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 52.2 | 81 | 1092 | 14 | 31 | 12218 | <5 | <5 | 18 | <5 | 89 | 8 | 53 | 271 | 10 | <5 | 42 | 34 | <5 | 36 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 29.8 | 111 | 1178 | 15 | 49 | 11536 | <5 | <5 | 16 | <5 | 77 | 6 | 44 | 254 | 10 | <5 | 56 | 68 | <5 | 29 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 7.8 | 151 | 1783 | 15 | 61 | 14629 | <5 | <5 | 8 | <5 | 134 | 7 | 61 | 341 | 16 | <5 | 82 | 71 | <5 | 28 | 19 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 3.4 | 172 | 2152 | 22 | 98 | 17825 | 6 | <5 | 15 | 6 | 147 | 9 | 98 | 696 | 21 | <5 | 102 | 74 | <5 | 36 | 19 | 7 |
| A ₃ | 0.6 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 7.8 | 109 | 1592 | 16 | 32 | 13812 | <5 | <5 | 11 | <5 | 123 | 7 | 62 | 356 | 12 | <5 | 73 | 54 | <5 | 41 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 49.8 | 62 | 1067 | 15 | 21 | 8492 | <5 | <5 | 17 | <5 | 77 | 7 | 38 | 241 | 9 | <5 | 38 | 30 | <5 | 31 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 28.9 | 81 | 1054 | 12 | 19 | 10143 | <5 | <5 | 14 | <5 | 98 | 7 | 39 | 256 | 8 | <5 | 41 | 41 | <5 | 29 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.8 | 148 | 2175 | 22 | 45 | 18567 | 6 | <5 | 12 | <5 | 159 | 8 | 74 | 472 | 17 | <5 | 101 | 52 | <5 | 35 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 4.7 | 192 | 3051 | 24 | 78 | 24152 | 10 | <5 | 21 | 7 | 177 | 10 | 101 | 658 | 20 | <5 | 131 | 42 | <5 | 39 | 31 | 7 |
| B ₁ | 0.8 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 9.0 | 111 | 1423 | 17 | 38 | 13916 | <5 | <5 | 15 | 9 | 127 | 7 | 57 | 376 | 12 | <5 | 68 | 46 | <5 | 43 | 18 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 41.2 | 67 | 906 | 15 | 25 | 8562 | <5 | <5 | 14 | <5 | 82 | <5 | 37 | 204 | 8 | <5 | 24 | 36 | <5 | 29 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 29.1 | 89 | 1052 | 14 | 24 | 9835 | <5 | <5 | 13 | <5 | 97 | 7 | 38 | 216 | 8 | <5 | 43 | 19 | <5 | 35 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.4 | 154 | 2156 | 19 | 62 | 18567 | 7 | <5 | 26 | 6 | 162 | 7 | 67 | 451 | 17 | <5 | 109 | 46 | <5 | 35 | 24 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.3 | 201 | 3066 | 23 | 84 | 26513 | 13 | 7 | 29 | 9 | 184 | 10 | 94 | 624 | 19 | <5 | 142 | 61 | <5 | 39 | 35 | 7 |
| B ₂ (T) | 1.0 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 13.9 | 115 | 1401 | 15 | 43 | 14991 | 7 | <5 | 19 | 10 | 131 | 7 | 54 | 312 | 12 | <5 | 69 | 32 | <5 | 45 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 52.3 | 69 | 807 | 16 | 26 | 13512 | <5 | <5 | 17 | <5 | 94 | 7 | 38 | 196 | 9 | <5 | 27 | 26 | <5 | 31 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 23.7 | 97 | 1073 | 13 | 31 | 10567 | <5 | <5 | 18 | <5 | 102 | 8 | 38 | 217 | 9 | <5 | 41 | 27 | <5 | 37 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 6.8 | 182 | 2318 | 23 | 79 | 23815 | 9 | 6 | 29 | 16 | 167 | 9 | 78 | 431 | 16 | <5 | 107 | 35 | <5 | 39 | 27 | 8 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 3.8 | 225 | 3056 | 38 | 101 | 32627 | 16 | 9 | 29 | 12 | 187 | 11 | 87 | 616 | 22 | <5 | 143 | 68 | <5 | 44 | 37 | 8 |
| P | 1.4 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 51.3 | 132 | 1833 | 19 | 44 | 17167 | 7 | <5 | 16 | <5 | 119 | 5 | 61 | 387 | 17 | <5 | 71 | 31 | <5 | 40 | 19 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 24.8 | 68 | 806 | 13 | 21 | 9513 | <5 | <5 | 14 | <5 | 47 | <5 | 31 | 151 | 14 | <5 | 5 | 24 | <5 | 29 | 6 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 10.8 | 121 | 1911 | 21 | 51 | 15168 | 8 | <5 | 16 | <5 | 117 | 5 | 66 | 334 | 15 | <5 | 68 | 24 | <5 | 35 | 19 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 7.5 | 202 | 3455 | 30 | 89 | 32519 | 21 | 9 | 21 | 10 | 172 | 8 | 104 | 601 | 24 | <5 | 141 | 37 | <5 | 34 | 41 | 6 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.6 | 222 | 3712 | 35 | 121 | 34525 | 21 | 13 | 22 | 12 | 172 | 9 | 114 | 721 | 27 | <5 | 139 | 43 | <5 | 41 | 44 | 8 |
| C | 1.7 | BROWN HORIZON OF HIGHLY WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | MAINLY QUARTZ; ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; H.M - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 48.5 | 139 | 1921 | 19 | 78 | 22199 | 8 | <5 | 13 | 9 | 142 | 8 | 67 | 402 | 16 | <5 | 85 | 20 | <5 | 38 | 25 | 5 |
| | | | | >2 | 28.3 | 92 | 1112 | 19 | 46 | 12517 | <5 | <5 | 14 | <5 | 84 | 9 | 41 | 217 | 12 | <5 | 64 | 11 | <5 | 31 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 10.9 | 141 | 1963 | 24 | 81 | 19141 | 6 | <5 | 16 | 7 | 147 | 8 | 71 | 367 | 15 | <5 | 92 | 19 | <5 | 32 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 5.5 | 192 | 3584 | 38 | 142 | 35629 | 20 | 14 | 24 | 17 | 209 | 10 | 115 | 679 | 27 | <5 | 156 | 21 | <5 | 46 | 44 | 9 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.8 | 209 | 3751 | 46 | 166 | 36524 | 21 | 17 | 27 | 26 | 207 | 13 | 121 | 601 | 27 | <5 | 180 | 27 | <5 | 46 | 49 | 10 |
| | | | | <.075 | | 201 | 4177 | 52 | 182 | 40326 | 25 | 24 | 31 | 27 | 227 | 21 | 135 | 856 | 29 | <5 | 228 | 27 | <5 | 51 | 51 | 11 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 19 on the grey Makhutso Granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED).

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Tl | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.2 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 6.9 | 132 | 1358 | 10 | 51 | 13156 | <5 | <5 | 21 | <5 | 85 | 6 | 54 | 335 | 12 | <5 | 71 | 49 | <5 | 26 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 47.2 | 141 | 1696 | 13 | 70 | 11628 | <5 | <5 | 36 | <5 | 97 | 6 | 67 | 436 | 13 | <5 | 85 | 31 | <5 | 34 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 33.3 | 111 | 1251 | 9 | 45 | 8849 | <5 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 82 | 6 | 46 | 283 | 11 | <5 | 71 | 66 | <5 | 31 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 7.5 | 167 | 1852 | 13 | 69 | 13176 | <5 | <5 | 24 | <5 | 96 | 7 | 67 | 362 | 14 | <5 | 98 | 68 | <5 | 35 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.1 | 169 | 1963 | 17 | 98 | 13251 | <5 | <5 | 41 | <5 | 112 | 9 | 89 | 643 | 18 | <5 | 116 | 72 | <5 | 36 | 16 | <5 |
| A ₂ (E) | 10.35 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 7.7 | 141 | 1467 | 15 | 66 | 12438 | <5 | <5 | 16 | <5 | 87 | 7 | 62 | 342 | 13 | <5 | 69 | 52 | <5 | 27 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 53.5 | 110 | 1085 | 14 | 49 | 12121 | <5 | <5 | 21 | <5 | 81 | 7 | 57 | 296 | 11 | <5 | 52 | 38 | <5 | 30 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 27.7 | 121 | 1273 | 14 | 53 | 11526 | <5 | <5 | 11 | <5 | 66 | 8 | 47 | 246 | 12 | <5 | 61 | 72 | <5 | 26 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 7.0 | 168 | 1892 | 15 | 67 | 15673 | <5 | <5 | 25 | <5 | 94 | 9 | 65 | 345 | 17 | <5 | 74 | 74 | <5 | 27 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 4.1 | 181 | 2241 | 19 | 101 | 15251 | <5 | <5 | 44 | 6 | 116 | 9 | 101 | 675 | 20 | <5 | 98 | 69 | <5 | 32 | 20 | <5 |
| A ₃ | 0.5 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 8.9 | 147 | 1683 | 16 | 41 | 14115 | <5 | <5 | 27 | <5 | 91 | 8 | 67 | 337 | 13 | <5 | 78 | 38 | <5 | 32 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 41.0 | 98 | 1135 | 16 | 32 | 8763 | <5 | <5 | 35 | <5 | 84 | 7 | 44 | 216 | 10 | <5 | 51 | 38 | <5 | 24 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 33.5 | 111 | 1172 | 13 | 29 | 11529 | <5 | <5 | 31 | <5 | 77 | 8 | 41 | 227 | 12 | <5 | 48 | 52 | <5 | 27 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 9.5 | 152 | 2221 | 19 | 56 | 20534 | <5 | <5 | 32 | <5 | 104 | 8 | 78 | 466 | 17 | <5 | 110 | 43 | <5 | 30 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.1 | 173 | 3284 | 21 | 84 | 25684 | 9 | 6 | 48 | 7 | 121 | 10 | 111 | 598 | 21 | <5 | 138 | 67 | <5 | 33 | 19 | 6 |
| B ₁ | 0.9 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 12.9 | 158 | 1783 | 16 | 48 | 14536 | <5 | <5 | 42 | <5 | 94 | 8 | 63 | 401 | 13 | <5 | 75 | 41 | <5 | 36 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 43.5 | 112 | 1256 | 15 | 34 | 9567 | <5 | <5 | 31 | <5 | 87 | 6 | 48 | 225 | 11 | <5 | 38 | 31 | <5 | 31 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 28.6 | 117 | 1285 | 13 | 36 | 11983 | <5 | <5 | 34 | <5 | 81 | 7 | 49 | 245 | 11 | <5 | 51 | 22 | <5 | 30 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 9.5 | 161 | 2273 | 18 | 79 | 21467 | 6 | 5 | 51 | <5 | 107 | 8 | 74 | 601 | 17 | <5 | 114 | 59 | <5 | 35 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.5 | 199 | 3392 | 22 | 91 | 27826 | 12 | 7 | 55 | 8 | 138 | 11 | 101 | 678 | 20 | <5 | 151 | 55 | <5 | 37 | 21 | 7 |
| B ₂ (T) | 1.6 | REDDISH APEJAL B HORIZON. GRADING OCCUR INTO THE PEBBLE LAYER. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 14.9 | 251 | 4085 | 34 | 123 | 30548 | 19 | 14 | 77 | 14 | 186 | 17 | 131 | 980 | 24 | <5 | 182 | 62 | <5 | 41 | 38 | 12 |
| | | | | >2 | 49.1 | 158 | 1792 | 16 | 52 | 15684 | 6 | <5 | 46 | 8 | 97 | 8 | 54 | 327 | 14 | <5 | 81 | 44 | <5 | 39 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 25.4 | 89 | 1183 | 16 | 41 | 14843 | <5 | <5 | 58 | <5 | 86 | 8 | 39 | 206 | 12 | <5 | 39 | 39 | <5 | 30 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 6.3 | 120 | 1357 | 14 | 39 | 12763 | <5 | <5 | 49 | <5 | 85 | 7 | 37 | 228 | 11 | <5 | 45 | 41 | <5 | 32 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 4.3 | 181 | 2385 | 20 | 88 | 25152 | 8 | <5 | 51 | 7 | 114 | 9 | 82 | 424 | 18 | <5 | 115 | 55 | <5 | 34 | 19 | <5 |
| P | 2.2 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. GRADING OCCUR INTO THE B ₂ HORIZON. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 50.3 | 164 | 1827 | 17 | 67 | 17549 | 7 | <5 | 31 | <5 | 91 | 6 | 57 | 452 | 16 | <5 | 72 | 62 | <5 | 37 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 11.4 | 103 | 1356 | 15 | 35 | 10156 | <5 | <5 | 42 | <5 | 87 | <5 | 41 | 267 | 13 | <5 | 20 | 39 | <5 | 29 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 5.4 | 145 | 2082 | 16 | 58 | 16396 | 6 | <5 | 37 | <5 | 87 | 6 | 65 | 328 | 14 | <5 | 58 | 33 | <5 | 32 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 2.8 | 198 | 3467 | 21 | 94 | 27516 | 9 | 8 | 39 | 9 | 104 | 7 | 99 | 650 | 22 | <5 | 137 | 46 | <5 | 32 | 18 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 2.8 | 210 | 3683 | 21 | 123 | 35841 | 17 | 13 | 56 | 11 | 124 | 9 | 117 | 787 | 25 | <5 | 142 | 68 | <5 | 36 | 22 | 7 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 20. (Nature of underlying rocks unknown - probably Makhutso Granite.)

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m.) | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm.) | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|---|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.15 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 122 | 1377 | <5 | 119 | 9092 | <5 | <5 | 7 | <5 | 93 | 6 | 46 | 364 | 10 | <5 | 50 | 103 | <5 | 29 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 12.7 | 95 | 826 | 12 | 83 | 8847 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 65 | 5 | 29 | 223 | 7 | <5 | 34 | 42 | <5 | 45 | <5 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 48.4 | 117 | 1200 | <5 | 88 | 7004 | <5 | <5 | 7 | <5 | 75 | 5 | 37 | 271 | 10 | <5 | 44 | 87 | <5 | 26 | 7 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 26.7 | 203 | 2082 | <5 | 147 | 14072 | <5 | <5 | 14 | <5 | 131 | 8 | 56 | 414 | 12 | <5 | 96 | 96 | <5 | 36 | 17 | <5 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 109 | 1257 | 8 | 111 | 12589 | <5 | <5 | 13 | 9 | 106 | 9 | 48 | 350 | 13 | <5 | 53 | 198 | <5 | 29 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 18.2 | 68 | 493 | 11 | 103 | 15037 | <5 | <5 | 35 | <5 | 55 | <5 | 22 | 144 | 6 | <5 | 9 | 176 | <5 | 25 | 5 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 50.8 | 107 | 1045 | <5 | 98 | 8924 | <5 | <5 | 11 | 7 | 67 | <5 | 28 | 213 | 9 | <5 | 32 | 60 | <5 | 20 | 6 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 20.9 | 203 | 2169 | 12 | 139 | 19113 | <5 | <5 | 19 | 13 | 139 | 10 | 66 | 473 | 15 | <5 | 92 | 209 | <5 | 33 | 24 | <5 |
| P | 0.45 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 122 | 1377 | 10 | 89 | 12589 | <5 | <5 | 13 | <5 | 86 | 6 | 43 | 326 | 11 | <5 | 78 | 201 | <5 | 30 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 45.2 | 75 | 417 | 24 | 54 | 19023 | <5 | <5 | 9 | <5 | 29 | <5 | 14 | 104 | 5 | <5 | 5 | 37 | <5 | 18 | <5 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 32.1 | 83 | 869 | <5 | 85 | 6911 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 58 | <5 | 25 | 186 | 6 | <5 | 31 | 58 | <5 | 28 | <5 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 13.6 | 202 | 2378 | 10 | 122 | 20408 | 8 | <5 | 21 | 9 | 142 | 7 | 64 | 448 | 15 | <5 | 99 | 185 | <5 | 34 | 20 | <5 |
| B ₂ (R) | 0.9 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION). | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; ENRICHED IN KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, CAS, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 126 | 2017 | 15 | 119 | 32478 | 9 | <5 | 24 | 14 | 99 | 6 | 53 | 372 | 15 | <5 | 98 | 40 | <5 | 22 | 19 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 38.2 | 71 | 893 | 12 | 98 | 44201 | <5 | <5 | 29 | <5 | 98 | <5 | 21 | 139 | 8 | <5 | 71 | 23 | <5 | 15 | 5 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 36.4 | 99 | 1856 | 11 | 114 | 32142 | <5 | <5 | 39 | 12 | 180 | <5 | 45 | 313 | 11 | <5 | 98 | 48 | <5 | 28 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 11.2 | 110 | 3049 | 21 | 163 | 43172 | 14 | 6 | 45 | 24 | 173 | 10 | 85 | 572 | 18 | <5 | 131 | 54 | <5 | 39 | 33 | <5 |
| B ₃ | 1.2 | WHITISH-GREY HORIZON CONTAINING MUCH CLAY MINERALS. THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE IS STILL PRESERVED. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR); ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; WHITE CONCRETIONS OF MAINLY KAOLINITE. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM CAS, AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 78 | 1936 | 15 | 119 | 29473 | 11 | <5 | 43 | 10 | 212 | 8 | 55 | 356 | 19 | <5 | 110 | 36 | <5 | 27 | 27 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 39.4 | 58 | 1389 | 26 | 135 | 37481 | 10 | <5 | 31 | <5 | 143 | <5 | 36 | 194 | 12 | <5 | 71 | 30 | <5 | 31 | 18 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 36.2 | 78 | 2027 | 10 | 106 | 30284 | 8 | <5 | 42 | 9 | 217 | 7 | 48 | 271 | 18 | <5 | 111 | 44 | <5 | 26 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 10.2 | 96 | 2935 | 19 | 163 | 38461 | 18 | <5 | 61 | 19 | 330 | 11 | 71 | 402 | 26 | <5 | 162 | 51 | <5 | 35 | 40 | <5 |
| C | 2.3 | BROWN WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | QUARTZ; KAOLINISED, ILLITISED AND HEMATITISED FELDSPARS; CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED BIOTITE. H.M.- HEM, MAG, CAS, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 82 | 1557 | 10 | 141 | 22380 | 5 | <5 | 47 | 33 | 406 | 13 | 71 | 203 | 25 | <5 | 156 | 52 | <5 | 36 | 45 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 42.2 | 55 | 820 | <5 | 122 | 14939 | <5 | <5 | 21 | 12 | 322 | 10 | 44 | 129 | 10 | <5 | 134 | 20 | <5 | 50 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 36.8 | 83 | 1710 | 6 | 139 | 24157 | <5 | <5 | 49 | 34 | 429 | 14 | 69 | 161 | 22 | <5 | 221 | 25 | <5 | 52 | 40 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 10.7 | 87 | 2875 | 17 | 208 | 41264 | 22 | 17 | 93 | 72 | 440 | 14 | 108 | 310 | 48 | <5 | 225 | 47 | <5 | 56 | 96 | <5 |
| R | 2.3 | SLIGHTLY WEATHERED MAKHUTSO GRANITE. | QUARTZ; SERICITISED AND KAOLINISED POTASH FELDSPAR AND PLAGIOCLASE; THE BIOTITE IS CHLORITISED. H.M. - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 109 | 508 | <5 | 264 | 11783 | <5 | <5 | 65 | 30 | 463 | 43 | 83 | 160 | 21 | <5 | 332 | 29 | <5 | 35 | 37 | 9 |
| | | | | >2 | 42.2 | 55 | 820 | <5 | 122 | 14939 | <5 | <5 | 21 | 12 | 322 | 10 | 44 | 129 | 10 | <5 | 134 | 20 | <5 | 50 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 36.8 | 83 | 1710 | 6 | 139 | 24157 | <5 | <5 | 49 | 34 | 429 | 14 | 69 | 161 | 22 | <5 | 221 | 25 | <5 | 52 | 40 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 10.7 | 87 | 2875 | 17 | 208 | 41264 | 22 | 17 | 93 | 72 | 440 | 14 | 108 | 310 | 48 | <5 | 225 | 47 | <5 | 56 | 96 | <5 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 21 on the reddish Makhutso Granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|------|----|----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.2 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 11.3 | 119 | 1343 | 16 | 132 | 11297 | <5 | <5 | 7 | 5 | 142 | 11 | 56 | 392 | 12 | <5 | 213 | 309 | <5 | 44 | 21 | 5 |
| | | | | >2 | 52.1 | 88 | 843 | 9 | 84 | 5661 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 6 | 135 | 9 | 43 | 209 | 8 | <5 | 75 | 39 | <5 | 37 | 5 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 24.4 | 135 | 1408 | 10 | 116 | 10161 | <5 | <5 | 7 | 6 | 175 | 11 | 59 | 417 | 13 | <5 | 156 | 100 | <5 | 45 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 7.5 | 195 | 2062 | 5 | 149 | 13176 | <5 | <5 | 7 | 6 | 162 | 13 | 94 | 711 | 17 | <5 | 155 | 122 | <5 | 36 | 30 | 9 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.7 | 253 | 3927 | 11 | 233 | 19056 | 13 | <5 | 16 | 9 | 190 | 19 | 154 | 1313 | 30 | <5 | 233 | 122 | <5 | 42 | 49 | 17 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.4 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 16.6 | 78 | 707 | 7 | 80 | 8424 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 5 | 132 | 8 | 52 | 340 | 11 | <5 | 118 | 163 | <5 | 40 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 49.8 | 104 | 1215 | 11 | 110 | 9469 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 5 | 124 | 7 | 46 | 293 | 9 | <5 | 99 | 130 | <5 | 38 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 24.3 | 204 | 2421 | 16 | 154 | 21296 | 6 | <5 | 15 | 15 | 185 | 12 | 81 | 513 | 18 | <5 | 208 | 132 | <5 | 41 | 31 | 6 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 5.4 | 203 | 2498 | 14 | 135 | 18349 | 8 | <5 | 13 | 6 | 167 | 11 | 102 | 761 | 19 | <5 | 176 | 97 | <5 | 37 | 33 | 9 |
| | | | | <.075 | 3.9 | 252 | 3765 | 27 | 230 | 29316 | 13 | 14 | 23 | 20 | 197 | 18 | 153 | 1208 | 28 | <5 | 219 | 77 | <5 | 45 | 55 | 20 |
| P | 0.8 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 55.4 | 143 | 1548 | 16 | 105 | 15114 | 5 | <5 | 13 | 12 | 119 | 9 | 58 | 367 | 11 | <5 | 96 | 170 | <5 | 43 | 20 | 5 |
| | | | | >2 | 23.4 | 80 | 818 | 9 | 66 | 7168 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 5 | 51 | <5 | 25 | 160 | 7 | <5 | 65 | 40 | <5 | 37 | 5 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 8.4 | 163 | 1752 | 14 | 132 | 16937 | <5 | <5 | 14 | 12 | 120 | 8 | 48 | 301 | 12 | <5 | 113 | 202 | <5 | 33 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 6.4 | 229 | 3330 | 21 | 144 | 27556 | 17 | 5 | 28 | 19 | 198 | 12 | 92 | 604 | 22 | <5 | 261 | 131 | <5 | 38 | 37 | 6 |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.4 | 276 | 3566 | 31 | 177 | 33284 | 17 | 17 | 29 | 31 | 199 | 14 | 127 | 871 | 26 | <5 | 210 | 96 | <5 | 48 | 48 | 13 |
| B ₂ (R) | 1.2 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION). | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; ENRICHED IN KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 37.5 | 180 | 2269 | 14 | 147 | 19235 | 10 | <5 | 19 | 9 | 138 | 8 | 74 | 479 | 17 | <5 | 134 | 34 | <5 | 41 | 28 | 5 |
| | | | | >2 | 32.2 | 109 | 1062 | 13 | 123 | 14244 | <5 | <5 | 10 | 5 | 100 | 6 | 38 | 205 | 11 | <5 | 67 | 25 | <5 | 47 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 16.5 | 200 | 2695 | 15 | 153 | 24420 | 12 | <5 | 24 | 14 | 167 | 9 | 81 | 499 | 19 | <5 | 154 | 35 | <5 | 46 | 32 | 5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.6 | 226 | 3462 | 24 | 188 | 32801 | 16 | 13 | 32 | 30 | 213 | 12 | 103 | 636 | 25 | <5 | 231 | 35 | <5 | 50 | 50 | 10 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.2 | 268 | 3566 | 27 | 202 | 33347 | 20 | 9 | 29 | 20 | 205 | 11 | 122 | 827 | 25 | <5 | 192 | 48 | <5 | 55 | 48 | 11 |
| B ₃ +C | 1.7 | WHITISH-GREY HORIZON CONTAINING MUCH CLAY MINERALS. THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE IS STILL PRESERVED. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR); ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; GREYISH MATRIX OF PREDOMINANTLY KAOLINITE. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH AND ZR. | TOTAL | 44.8 | 149 | 2239 | 14 | 150 | 14423 | 6 | <5 | 26 | 23 | 158 | 12 | 71 | 418 | 18 | <5 | 159 | 28 | <5 | 71 | 31 | 8 |
| | | | | >2 | 32.3 | 71 | 1161 | 7 | 114 | 10174 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 5 | 99 | 5 | 40 | 229 | 9 | <5 | 81 | 25 | <5 | 57 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 10.6 | 158 | 2643 | 17 | 129 | 21220 | 10 | <5 | 21 | 20 | 189 | 11 | 81 | 455 | 20 | <5 | 167 | 27 | <5 | 49 | 36 | 5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 7.0 | 179 | 3606 | 23 | 133 | 27256 | 21 | 9 | 36 | 29 | 226 | 12 | 110 | 631 | 26 | <5 | 197 | 30 | <5 | 52 | 49 | 7 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.3 | 199 | 3552 | 25 | 153 | 27538 | 17 | 14 | 32 | 32 | 210 | 13 | 134 | 846 | 28 | <5 | 174 | 46 | <5 | 49 | 55 | 12 |
| R | 1.8 | HIGHLY WEATHERED BEDROCK. | QUARTZ; KAOLINISED, SERICITISED AND HEMATITISED FELDSPARS; CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED BIOTITE. H.M.- HEM, MAG AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 135 | 806 | <5 | 148 | 8890 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 420 | 45 | 85 | 186 | 23 | <5 | 258 | 16 | <5 | 48 | 38 | 9 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 22 on grey Makhutso Granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-------|-------|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Hf | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A ₁ | 0.2 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 107 | 1263 | 7 | 57 | 14526 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 56 | 7 | 43 | 316 | 10 | <5 | 47 | 21 | <5 | 37 | 15 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 6.2 | 141 | 1664 | 16 | 78 | 13336 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 82 | 8 | 57 | 414 | 11 | <5 | 74 | 5 | <5 | 46 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 56.7 | 117 | 1167 | 9 | 36 | 7558 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 58 | 6 | 35 | 255 | 9 | <5 | 43 | 77 | <5 | 34 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 27.2 | 181 | 1834 | 13 | 76 | 13015 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 95 | 8 | 51 | 349 | 13 | <5 | 86 | 71 | <5 | 33 | 18 | <5 |
| A _{2(E)} | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 110 | 1359 | 18 | 67 | 13855 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 78 | 8 | 48 | 337 | 12 | <5 | 51 | 22 | <5 | 41 | 18 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 4.2 | 95 | 1085 | 13 | 34 | 11307 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 61 | 8 | 43 | 283 | 9 | <5 | 26 | 8 | <5 | 43 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 54.8 | 118 | 1168 | 16 | 55 | 11161 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 59 | 6 | 35 | 242 | 9 | <5 | 33 | 26 | <5 | 38 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 30.8 | 168 | 1835 | 16 | 65 | 15595 | 5 | <5 | <5 | 7 | 99 | 8 | 53 | 357 | 14 | <5 | 68 | 86 | <5 | 31 | 22 | <5 |
| A ₃ | 0.5 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 113 | 1609 | 19 | 30 | 13302 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 81 | 6 | 51 | 340 | 11 | <5 | 57 | 20 | <5 | 44 | 17 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 7.6 | 64 | 792 | 14 | 20 | 7937 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 39 | <5 | 27 | 189 | 8 | <5 | 17 | 9 | <5 | 28 | 6 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 54.2 | 84 | 1036 | 11 | 20 | 7526 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 50 | <5 | 28 | 185 | 7 | <5 | 22 | 32 | <5 | 30 | 6 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 27.4 | 158 | 2210 | 21 | 47 | 19590 | 8 | <5 | 7 | <5 | 114 | 7 | 65 | 431 | 15 | <5 | 87 | 44 | <5 | 38 | 24 | <5 |
| B ₁ | 0.6 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 119 | 1520 | 18 | 35 | 13902 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 80 | 6 | 47 | 331 | 11 | <5 | 53 | 24 | <5 | 40 | 16 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 5.8 | 69 | 802 | 15 | 23 | 8201 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 41 | <5 | 26 | 191 | 7 | <5 | 11 | 12 | <5 | 27 | 7 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 51.9 | 92 | 1136 | 13 | 22 | 7724 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 54 | <5 | 25 | 201 | 8 | <5 | 22 | 45 | <5 | 31 | 7 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 29.8 | 163 | 2214 | 22 | 51 | 20562 | 7 | 7 | 9 | 7 | 119 | 7 | 59 | 428 | 15 | <5 | 91 | 71 | <5 | 36 | 25 | <5 |
| B _{2(T)} | 10.9 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON. GRADING OCCUR INTO THE PEBBLE LAYER. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 109 | 1429 | 15 | 40 | 15799 | 6 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 75 | 7 | 46 | 304 | 11 | <5 | 47 | 26 | <5 | 35 | 16 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 14.3 | 74 | 903 | 17 | 20 | 14634 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 47 | <5 | 30 | 202 | 10 | <5 | 9 | 25 | <5 | 28 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 53.7 | 100 | 1111 | 12 | 25 | 11312 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 55 | <5 | 32 | 209 | 9 | <5 | 23 | 32 | <5 | 23 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 21.9 | 195 | 2428 | 25 | 68 | 25400 | 11 | <5 | 16 | 19 | 121 | 9 | 69 | 427 | 18 | <5 | 95 | 79 | <5 | 35 | 29 | 6 |
| P | 1.5 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. GRADING OCCUR INTO THE B ₂ HORIZON. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 134 | 1883 | 22 | 40 | 18294 | 7 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 72 | 5 | 51 | 387 | 15 | <5 | 51 | 28 | <5 | 35 | 20 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 54.3 | 66 | 706 | 11 | 20 | 41540 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 29 | <5 | 20 | 131 | 13 | <5 | 5 | 16 | <5 | 52 | 5 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 22.9 | 129 | 2003 | 22 | 47 | 17803 | 9 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 81 | 5 | 55 | 371 | 15 | <5 | 57 | 24 | <5 | 38 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 11.8 | 213 | 3663 | 35 | 100 | 34832 | 23 | 12 | 28 | 21 | 144 | 8 | 95 | 629 | 25 | <5 | 126 | 25 | <5 | 46 | 43 | 8 |
| C | 1.9 | BROWN HORIZON OF HIGHLY WEATHERED BEDROCK. | MAINLY QUARTZ; ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; H.M - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 134 | 1889 | 21 | 82 | 24155 | 9 | <5 | 10 | 81 | 6 | 59 | 379 | 16 | <5 | 74 | 20 | <5 | 38 | 24 | 5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 47.9 | 91 | 1092 | 19 | 40 | 14444 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 43 | <5 | 34 | 209 | 11 | <5 | 24 | 12 | <5 | 30 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 28.5 | 133 | 2082 | 26 | 78 | 21120 | 7 | <5 | 10 | 9 | 89 | 7 | 58 | 371 | 16 | <5 | 61 | 22 | <5 | 31 | 25 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 11.3 | 186 | 3673 | 40 | 146 | 37566 | 20 | 20 | 29 | 28 | 168 | 10 | 104 | 649 | 28 | <5 | 127 | 25 | <5 | 49 | 49 | 10 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.5 | 200 | 3846 | 45 | 156 | 39279 | 19 | 21 | 27 | 27 | 146 | 10 | 113 | 773 | 27 | <5 | 129 | 25 | <5 | 46 | 50 | 11 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.8 | 194 | 4161 | 54 | 171 | 42122 | 27 | 29 | 26 | 26 | 157 | 11 | 123 | 830 | 29 | <5 | 139 | <5 | <5 | 54 | 56 | 12 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 23 on grey Makhutso Granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|------|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.3 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 6.3 | 80 | 1194 | 18 | 49 | 11652 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 55 | 10 | 41 | 334 | 9 | <5 | 46 | 20 | <5 | 21 | 11 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 45.7 | 111 | 1615 | 15 | 69 | 9567 | <5 | <5 | 21 | <5 | 78 | 11 | 52 | 426 | 9 | <5 | 69 | 6 | <5 | 32 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 32.9 | 87 | 1104 | 8 | 32 | 6953 | <5 | <5 | 12 | <5 | 61 | 8 | 34 | 271 | 7 | <5 | 39 | 69 | <5 | 20 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.1 | 134 | 1767 | 10 | 62 | 10528 | <5 | <5 | 18 | <5 | 99 | 10 | 49 | 362 | 10 | <5 | 78 | 66 | <5 | 19 | 14 | <5 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.5 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 7.6 | 83 | 1219 | 17 | 61 | 10568 | <5 | <5 | 15 | <5 | 52 | 9 | 43 | 368 | 9 | <5 | 42 | 21 | <5 | 19 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 43.1 | 75 | 1017 | 14 | 31 | 9267 | <5 | <5 | 22 | <5 | 66 | 10 | 39 | 302 | 8 | <5 | 34 | 7 | <5 | 21 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 34.9 | 88 | 1147 | 10 | 47 | 9487 | <5 | <5 | 13 | <5 | 62 | 8 | 35 | 272 | 8 | <5 | 36 | 31 | <5 | 19 | 7 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.2 | 123 | 1752 | 15 | 58 | 11521 | <5 | <5 | 17 | <5 | 93 | 9 | 50 | 383 | 11 | <5 | 59 | 81 | <5 | 17 | 13 | <5 |
| A ₃ | 0.7 | BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; MINOR IRON OXIDES; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 6.4 | 198 | 3751 | 39 | 154 | 23812 | 8 | 6 | 32 | 12 | 136 | 18 | 131 | 1211 | 20 | <5 | 164 | 15 | <5 | 37 | 36 | 12 |
| | | | | >2 | 9.2 | 87 | 1486 | 19 | 51 | 10782 | <5 | <5 | 16 | <5 | 61 | 11 | 49 | 351 | 10 | <5 | 49 | 20 | <5 | 23 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 40.4 | 67 | 1025 | 15 | 35 | 8563 | <5 | <5 | 23 | <5 | 69 | 9 | 31 | 202 | 8 | <5 | 29 | 9 | <5 | 15 | 5 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 35.2 | 74 | 1068 | 10 | 42 | 9651 | <5 | <5 | 15 | <5 | 71 | 8 | 33 | 195 | 8 | <5 | 34 | 34 | <5 | 19 | 6 | <5 |
| B ₁ | 0.9 | REDDISH - BROWN WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 7.1 | 95 | 1501 | 18 | 40 | 11516 | <5 | <5 | 18 | <5 | 74 | 11 | 48 | 339 | 11 | <5 | 50 | 15 | <5 | 23 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 10.2 | 81 | 956 | 14 | 27 | 8674 | <5 | <5 | 25 | <5 | 70 | 8 | 28 | 189 | 7 | <5 | 19 | 9 | <5 | 16 | 6 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 38.1 | 87 | 1093 | 12 | 27 | 8951 | <5 | <5 | 14 | <5 | 69 | 8 | 23 | 199 | 9 | <5 | 24 | 41 | <5 | 18 | 6 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 35.4 | 141 | 2056 | 19 | 49 | 16567 | <5 | <5 | 19 | <5 | 111 | 10 | 61 | 418 | 12 | <5 | 88 | 61 | <5 | 23 | 14 | <5 |
| B ₂ (T) | 1.2 | REDDISH APEDAL B HORIZON. GRADING OCCUR INTO THE PEBBLE LAYER. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION) | QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 6.5 | 111 | 1914 | 20 | 47 | 15672 | <5 | <5 | 29 | <5 | 69 | 12 | 50 | 372 | 13 | <5 | 47 | 31 | <5 | 26 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 11.4 | 82 | 941 | 17 | 24 | 10102 | <5 | <5 | 26 | <5 | 57 | 9 | 32 | 214 | 9 | <5 | 16 | 17 | <5 | 18 | 7 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 37.4 | 91 | 1010 | 11 | 29 | 9471 | <5 | <5 | 15 | <5 | 65 | 9 | 29 | 206 | 8 | <5 | 21 | 29 | <5 | 17 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 36.1 | 152 | 1976 | 24 | 71 | 19184 | <5 | <5 | 21 | 6 | 117 | 11 | 61 | 434 | 14 | <5 | 89 | 68 | <5 | 23 | 15 | <5 |
| P | 1.9 | HORIZON MARKED BY ROUNDED QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GOETHITE PELLETS. GRADING OCCUR INTO THE B ₂ HORIZON. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES AND GRAINS STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR CLAY MINERALS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M. - GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 6.1 | 178 | 4084 | 52 | 129 | 33512 | 16 | 9 | 39 | 16 | 146 | 25 | 113 | 904 | 24 | <5 | 155 | 7 | <5 | 43 | 38 | 10 |
| | | | | >2 | 51.6 | 67 | 956 | 10 | 28 | 9846 | <5 | <5 | 27 | <5 | 38 | 9 | 25 | 151 | 12 | <5 | <5 | 17 | <5 | 13 | 6 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 26.2 | 105 | 2052 | 19 | 46 | 15216 | <5 | <5 | 14 | <5 | 61 | 8 | 49 | 392 | 14 | <5 | 48 | 29 | <5 | 21 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.6 | 151 | 3267 | 30 | 91 | 27814 | 7 | <5 | 19 | 7 | 129 | 10 | 89 | 672 | 19 | <5 | 119 | 24 | <5 | 40 | 32 | <5 |
| PAL-COL | 2.3 | BROWN HORIZON OF WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M. - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 7.2 | 121 | 1656 | 17 | 71 | 12942 | 6 | <5 | 23 | <5 | 80 | 12 | 51 | 351 | 12 | <5 | 44 | 36 | <5 | 24 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 12.2 | 81 | 1026 | 14 | 42 | 9572 | <5 | <5 | 27 | <5 | 62 | 10 | 31 | 297 | 10 | <5 | 36 | 27 | <5 | 21 | 7 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 39.2 | 121 | 1543 | 11 | 53 | 10431 | <5 | <5 | 17 | <5 | 64 | 9 | 52 | 285 | 10 | <5 | 41 | 28 | <5 | 22 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 33.3 | 173 | 1954 | 16 | 55 | 16519 | 6 | <5 | 24 | 6 | 116 | 12 | 94 | 401 | 18 | <5 | 51 | 47 | <5 | 31 | 17 | 6 |
| PAL-COL | 2.3 | BROWN HORIZON OF WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | MAINLY QUARTZ (ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR); NO FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; KAOLINITE AND MIXED LAYERED CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M. - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | .075-.180 | 8.1 | 198 | 3156 | 20 | 81 | 24678 | 7 | 6 | 31 | 9 | 124 | 16 | 101 | 676 | 20 | <5 | 81 | 85 | <5 | 33 | 26 | 8 |
| | | | | <.075 | 7.2 | 238 | 3985 | 41 | 149 | 27819 | 14 | 11 | 49 | 16 | 161 | 28 | 118 | 1152 | 25 | <5 | 174 | 27 | <5 | 42 | 37 | 10 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 24. (Nature of underlying rocks unknown).

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPH) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|-----|-------|-------|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|------|----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.1 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 145 | 1705 | 13 | 187 | 11323 | <5 | <5 | 7 | <5 | 213 | 16 | 55 | 467 | 20 | <5 | 209 | 172 | <5 | 23 | 20 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 25.5 | 87 | 839 | 6 | 127 | 6595 | <5 | <5 | 16 | <5 | 167 | 8 | 25 | 181 | 11 | <5 | 83 | 768 | <5 | 45 | 7 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 37.2 | 148 | 1457 | <5 | 164 | 17098 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 112 | 13 | 41 | 336 | 15 | <5 | 180 | 76 | <5 | 33 | 18 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 18.9 | 238 | 2313 | 12 | 238 | 13634 | <5 | 65 | 11 | 6 | 222 | 22 | 68 | 544 | 24 | <5 | 333 | 198 | <5 | 42 | 35 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 11.5 | 355 | 2778 | 8 | 287 | 13759 | <5 | <5 | 11 | 6 | 216 | 24 | 91 | 849 | 24 | <5 | 363 | 139 | <5 | 29 | 33 | 7 |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.9 | 363 | 4055 | 20 | 403 | 18535 | 6 | 5 | 12 | 7 | 226 | 34 | 164 | 1649 | 35 | <5 | 403 | 109 | <5 | 42 | 48 | 21 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.2 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 121 | 1399 | 20 | 110 | 9876 | <5 | <5 | 7 | <5 | 113 | 16 | 59 | 466 | 19 | <5 | 193 | 200 | <5 | 20 | 20 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 22.2 | 96 | 654 | 10 | 109 | 7021 | <5 | <5 | 17 | <5 | 143 | 18 | 22 | 231 | 10 | <5 | 171 | 631 | <5 | 19 | 6 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 40.5 | 139 | 1212 | 6 | 114 | 7134 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 206 | 12 | 47 | 319 | 16 | <5 | 195 | 98 | <5 | 23 | 7 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 17.5 | 201 | 2256 | 14 | 141 | 12300 | <5 | <5 | 6 | 6 | 283 | 19 | 77 | 531 | 25 | <5 | 301 | 201 | <5 | 27 | 18 | 6 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 11.9 | 197 | 2273 | 14 | 142 | 12101 | <5 | <5 | 13 | 7 | 251 | 17 | 98 | 782 | 26 | <5 | 273 | 153 | <5 | 21 | 21 | 7 |
| | | | | <.075 | 7.9 | 239 | 3798 | 21 | 183 | 19536 | 10 | 9 | 16 | 9 | 273 | 23 | 163 | 1390 | 39 | <5 | 331 | 121 | <5 | 23 | 37 | 15 |
| P | 0.4 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 126 | 1375 | 12 | 138 | 18262 | <5 | <5 | 20 | 15 | 252 | 12 | 49 | 322 | 18 | <5 | 139 | 289 | <5 | 33 | 20 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 58.4 | 61 | 594 | 7 | 113 | 9274 | <5 | <5 | 7 | <5 | 144 | 6 | 19 | 110 | 10 | <5 | 27 | 222 | <5 | 44 | 6 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 19.4 | 113 | 1334 | 7 | 145 | 12169 | <5 | <5 | 13 | 8 | 113 | 12 | 43 | 287 | 17 | <5 | 129 | 154 | <5 | 32 | 21 | 7 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 12.9 | 242 | 2637 | 11 | 202 | 23743 | <5 | <5 | 22 | 18 | 241 | 21 | 87 | 618 | 23 | <5 | 321 | 154 | <5 | 48 | 41 | 8 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.5 | 251 | 3019 | 22 | 182 | 23990 | 9 | 84 | 29 | 24 | 234 | 21 | 115 | 953 | 27 | <5 | 304 | 170 | <5 | 33 | 38 | 11 |
| | | | | <.075 | 3.8 | 293 | 4039 | 26 | 225 | 29591 | 17 | 19 | 45 | 37 | 252 | 25 | 159 | 1331 | 35 | <5 | 336 | 133 | <5 | 31 | 51 | 17 |
| B ₂ (R) | 0.7 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION). | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; ENRICHED IN KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 137 | 1994 | 19 | 148 | 18376 | 8 | 5 | 24 | 6 | 152 | 14 | 63 | 450 | 21 | <5 | 177 | 29 | <5 | 38 | 32 | 10 | |
| | | | | >2 | 45.5 | 79 | 1165 | 11 | 132 | 10110 | <5 | <5 | 9 | <5 | 75 | 6 | 32 | 184 | 12 | <5 | 84 | 29 | <5 | 41 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 33.2 | 149 | 2335 | 11 | 160 | 18646 | 6 | <5 | 21 | 8 | 161 | 13 | 71 | 489 | 21 | <5 | 218 | 29 | <5 | 37 | 25 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 11.3 | 228 | 3572 | 21 | 177 | 29164 | 16 | 23 | 44 | 26 | 252 | 20 | 113 | 804 | 29 | <5 | 346 | 37 | <5 | 37 | 45 | 9 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.9 | 248 | 3629 | 26 | 182 | 30252 | 16 | 25 | 40 | 23 | 240 | 19 | 127 | 996 | 28 | <5 | 319 | 51 | <5 | 28 | 43 | 11 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.1 | 222 | 3971 | 32 | 214 | 34683 | 24 | 22 | 50 | 31 | 246 | 21 | 151 | 1141 | 31 | <5 | 317 | 36 | <5 | 31 | 53 | 14 |
| B ₃ +C | 1.2 | WHITISH-GREY HORIZON CONTAINING MUCH CLAY MINERALS. THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE IS STILL PRESERVED. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR); ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; GREYISH MATRIX OF PREDOMINANTLY KAOLINITE. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH AND ZR. | TOTAL | 102 | 1907 | 18 | 119 | 15763 | 8 | <5 | 26 | 16 | 159 | 15 | 66 | 379 | 22 | <5 | 183 | 28 | <5 | 20 | 27 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 38.8 | 85 | 1564 | 12 | 137 | 10213 | <5 | <5 | 14 | 8 | 112 | 11 | 52 | 261 | 17 | <5 | 119 | 28 | <5 | 41 | 20 | 6 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 37.7 | 129 | 2672 | 19 | 173 | 16485 | 7 | 5 | 30 | 21 | 202 | 19 | 79 | 447 | 25 | <5 | 261 | 29 | <5 | 40 | 33 | 6 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 10.4 | 145 | 3369 | 35 | 169 | 22390 | 19 | 20 | 42 | 31 | 278 | 24 | 107 | 614 | 29 | <5 | 328 | 39 | <5 | 42 | 52 | 7 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.8 | 148 | 3550 | 37 | 175 | 23163 | 16 | 22 | 51 | 37 | 265 | 23 | 125 | 873 | 32 | <5 | 315 | 47 | <5 | 32 | 55 | 10 |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.3 | 147 | 4196 | 37 | 194 | 28986 | 25 | 29 | 50 | 39 | 265 | 24 | 156 | 1143 | 38 | <5 | 302 | 30 | <5 | 34 | 62 | 15 |
| R | 1.5 | HIGHLY WEATHERED BEDROCK. | QUARTZ; KAOLINISED, SERICITISED AND HEMATITISED FELDSPARS; CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED BIOTITE. H.M.- HEM, MAG AND ZR. | | | 120 | 1313 | 12 | 176 | 7225 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 362 | 66 | 110 | 225 | 16 | <5 | 559 | 20 | <5 | 61 | 26 | 5 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 25 on the grey Makhutso Granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m) | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm) | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|---|--|-----------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|------|----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.15 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 97 | 1754 | 16 | 308 | 14308 | 7 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 151 | 19 | 58 | 524 | 20 | <5 | 243 | 52 | <5 | 52 | 27 | 6 |
| | | | | >2 | 14.7 | 44 | 730 | 5 | 10 | 3822 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 76 | 8 | 20 | 200 | 9 | <5 | 104 | 17 | <5 | 24 | <5 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 42.8 | 108 | 1413 | 6 | 61 | 9933 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 136 | 14 | 42 | 341 | 15 | <5 | 199 | 52 | <5 | 33 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 26.9 | 176 | 2603 | 11 | 86 | 15612 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 223 | 20 | 71 | 587 | 26 | <5 | 337 | 97 | <5 | 33 | 37 | 5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 10.3 | 166 | 2636 | 17 | 133 | 19385 | 9 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 202 | 22 | 104 | 1050 | 28 | <5 | 313 | 101 | <5 | 35 | 37 | 10 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.3 | 296 | 4058 | 20 | 232 | 22822 | 11 | 9 | <5 | 8 | 219 | 30 | 166 | 1645 | 38 | <5 | 390 | 63 | <5 | 50 | 51 | <5 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 86 | 1671 | 16 | 48 | 15263 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 151 | 16 | 61 | 497 | 20 | <5 | 211 | 51 | <5 | 36 | 32 | 7 | |
| | | | | >2 | 18.3 | 48 | 698 | 7 | 131 | 6251 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 82 | 19 | 21 | 181 | 9 | <5 | 190 | 29 | <5 | 33 | 5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 50.8 | 93 | 1626 | 6 | 10 | 9306 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 143 | 12 | 48 | 402 | 17 | <5 | 210 | 59 | <5 | 25 | 18 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 21.8 | 148 | 2582 | 16 | 53 | 20200 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 224 | 20 | 80 | 645 | 26 | <5 | 333 | 93 | <5 | 40 | 41 | 6 | |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.7 | 124 | 2609 | 12 | 40 | 16249 | 8 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 191 | 17 | 101 | 1007 | 25 | <5 | 294 | 94 | <5 | 34 | 34 | 7 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.2 | 203 | 4167 | 12 | 94 | 21417 | 13 | <5 | 7 | <5 | 212 | 24 | 169 | 1667 | 38 | <5 | 351 | 71 | <5 | 39 | 49 | 19 |
| P | 0.4 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 66 | 1349 | 16 | 10 | 10436 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 128 | 11 | 43 | 373 | 14 | <5 | 192 | 45 | <5 | 21 | 16 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 60.6 | 27 | 543 | 11 | 10 | 4125 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 61 | 6 | 13 | 131 | 8 | <5 | 89 | 25 | <5 | 14 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 19.0 | 63 | 1082 | 9 | 64 | 10632 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 107 | 11 | 33 | 267 | 13 | <5 | 146 | 30 | <5 | 42 | 10 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 10.3 | 126 | 2673 | 16 | 29 | 20327 | 8 | <5 | <5 | 217 | 17 | 83 | 652 | 27 | <5 | 325 | 24 | <5 | 32 | 40 | <5 | |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.9 | 228 | 3473 | 26 | 94 | 35967 | 18 | 17 | 16 | 21 | 207 | 17 | 114 | 930 | 30 | <5 | 274 | 72 | <5 | 41 | 43 | 10 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.2 | 220 | 3975 | 23 | 102 | 30513 | 18 | 15 | 20 | 20 | 225 | 22 | 153 | 1328 | 35 | <5 | 333 | 59 | <5 | 41 | 48 | 15 |
| B ₂ (R) | 0.9 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION). | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; ENRICHED IN KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 93 | 1864 | 19 | 51 | 21624 | 14 | <5 | 8 | 8 | 97 | 11 | 60 | 422 | 21 | <5 | 119 | 31 | <5 | 33 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 51.2 | 81 | 1399 | 14 | 37 | 14933 | 9 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 69 | 7 | 38 | 302 | 15 | <5 | 95 | 22 | <5 | 25 | 13 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 29.3 | 122 | 2303 | 11 | 77 | 19809 | 12 | <5 | 6 | <5 | 128 | 10 | 61 | 464 | 20 | <5 | 174 | 43 | <5 | 33 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.1 | 180 | 3229 | 26 | 87 | 32927 | 19 | 13 | 15 | 18 | 207 | 17 | 103 | 775 | 30 | <5 | 280 | 42 | <5 | 36 | 46 | 7 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.3 | 191 | 3590 | 17 | 99 | 30516 | 20 | 6 | 16 | 19 | 230 | 18 | 125 | 1072 | 32 | <5 | 342 | 38 | <5 | 43 | 42 | 10 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.1 | 218 | 3889 | 37 | 109 | 39168 | 29 | 25 | 28 | 24 | 210 | 16 | 129 | 1186 | 30 | <5 | 280 | 26 | <5 | 44 | 46 | 14 |
| B ₃ | 1.4 | WHITISH-GREY HORIZON CONTAINING MUCH CLAY MINERALS. THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE IS STILL PRESERVED. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR); ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; WHITE CONCRETIONS OF MAINLY KAOLINITE. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 94 | 1972 | 14 | 43 | 16007 | 10 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 168 | 14 | 65 | 401 | 21 | <5 | 280 | 30 | <5 | 50 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 36.4 | 71 | 1168 | <5 | 47 | 9973 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 113 | 9 | 37 | 204 | 12 | <5 | 181 | 13 | <5 | 30 | 17 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 34.1 | 97 | 1769 | 12 | 61 | 16594 | 6 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 179 | 16 | 58 | 335 | 21 | <5 | 296 | 33 | <5 | 47 | 20 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 15.7 | 172 | 3594 | 15 | 74 | 27737 | 17 | <5 | 14 | 9 | 256 | 18 | 110 | 708 | 33 | <5 | 398 | 39 | <5 | 45 | 43 | 6 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.2 | 191 | 3590 | 17 | 89 | 27516 | 20 | 6 | 10 | 7 | 230 | 18 | 125 | 1002 | 32 | <5 | 342 | 38 | <5 | 43 | 42 | 10 |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.6 | 202 | 3977 | 32 | 102 | 32973 | 23 | 28 | 21 | 24 | 232 | 20 | 142 | 1037 | 35 | <5 | 313 | 32 | <5 | 44 | 50 | 13 |
| C | 1.5 | BROWN WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | QUARTZ; KAOLINISED, ILLITISED AND HEMATITISED FELDSPARS; CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED BIOTITE. H.M.- HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | | | 87 | 1710 | 6 | 154 | 14133 | 11 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 303 | 58 | 140 | 265 | 29 | <5 | 633 | 22 | <5 | 51 | 35 | <5 |
| R | 1.5 | SLIGHTLY WEATHERED MAKHUTSO GRANITE. | QUARTZ; SERICITISED AND KAOLINISED POTASH FELDSPAR AND PLAGIOCLASE; THE BIOTITE IS CHLORITISED. H.M. - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | | | 72 | 1407 | <5 | 100 | 8890 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 348 | 83 | 211 | 227 | 27 | <5 | 726 | 23 | <5 | 29 | 35 | 6 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 26 on the grey Makhutso Granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|-----|-------|-------|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|------|----|--------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sr | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.15 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 115 | 1598 | 14 | 120 | 13043 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 99 | 12 | 43 | 460 | 15 | <5 | 118109 | <5 | 18 | 20 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 13.4 | 80 | 919 | 7 | 37 | 8374 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 47 | <5 | 19 | 236 | 8 | <5 | 53 | 22 | <5 | 17 | <5 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 43.4 | 120 | 1381 | 9 | 81 | 9625 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 85 | 9 | 30 | 308 | 12 | <5 | 113 | 64 | <5 | 14 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 26.9 | 189 | 2269 | 16 | 146 | 15436 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 144 | 14 | 51 | 511 | 17 | <5 | 190 | 68 | <5 | 31 | 21 | 8 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 10.4 | 240 | 2605 | 12 | 152 | 16335 | <5 | <5 | 5 | 5 | 127 | 16 | 71 | 834 | 20 | <5 | 197 | 70 | <5 | 25 | 23 | 8 |
| A ₂ (E) | 10.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 81 | 1599 | 21 | 52 | 10125 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 98 | 11 | 44 | 467 | 16 | <5 | 132 | 62 | <5 | 7 | 19 | 5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 13.9 | 57 | 776 | 10 | 52 | 7826 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 45 | 5 | 19 | 215 | 7 | <5 | 40 | 12 | <5 | 19 | <5 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 45.8 | 100 | 1422 | 7 | 56 | 7917 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 84 | 7 | 31 | 326 | 10 | <5 | 114 | 38 | <5 | 21 | 7 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 26.2 | 176 | 2475 | 15 | 85 | 16400 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 143 | 13 | 55 | 529 | 18 | <5 | 211 | 75 | <5 | 25 | 20 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.9 | 171 | 2673 | 14 | 83 | 14129 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 124 | 13 | 68 | 792 | 19 | <5 | 200 | 62 | <5 | 20 | 21 | 7 |
| P | 0.6 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 76 | 1159 | 9 | 55 | 11782 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 66 | 8 | 32 | 324 | 8 | <5 | 53 | 45 | <5 | 26 | 10 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 44.4 | 77 | 648 | 19 | 36 | 13083 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 27 | <5 | 13 | 142 | 7 | <5 | 26 | 28 | <5 | 22 | <5 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 30.4 | 108 | 1529 | 10 | 47 | 12302 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 76 | 7 | 32 | 320 | 10 | <5 | 79 | 25 | <5 | 23 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 12.5 | 191 | 2880 | 22 | 56 | 20233 | 7 | 9 | 9 | <5 | 137 | 10 | 63 | 598 | 17 | <5 | 185 | 51 | <5 | 25 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.3 | 219 | 3345 | 28 | 108 | 26347 | 11 | 44 | 15 | 14 | 137 | 13 | 92 | 990 | 22 | <5 | 192 | 47 | <5 | 29 | 30 | 10 |
| B ₂ (R) | 1.0 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION). | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; ENRICHED IN KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 130 | 1950 | 21 | 48 | 21395 | 5 | <5 | 6 | <5 | 61 | 6 | 39 | 396 | 14 | <5 | 69 | 36 | <5 | 7 | 14 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 37.5 | 92 | 890 | 15 | 35 | 13255 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 28 | <5 | 17 | 176 | 8 | <5 | <5 | 15 | <5 | 22 | 5 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 35.3 | 174 | 2298 | 11 | 74 | 19995 | <5 | <5 | 6 | <5 | 79 | 6 | 43 | 426 | 15 | <5 | 114 | 46 | <5 | 20 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 12.4 | 223 | 3316 | 34 | 116 | 30353 | 11 | 20 | 15 | 14 | 143 | 12 | 78 | 734 | 21 | <5 | 194 | 59 | <5 | 33 | 32 | 7 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.4 | 245 | 3840 | 33 | 97 | 31661 | 17 | 55 | 18 | 9 | 134 | 11 | 93 | 1052 | 25 | <5 | 199 | 42 | <5 | 28 | 33 | 9 |
| B ₃ | 1.4 | WHITISH-GREY HORIZON CONTAINING MUCH CLAY MINERALS. THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE IS STILL PRESERVED. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR); ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; WHITE CONCRETIONS OF MAINLY KAOLINITE. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 126 | 1701 | 16 | 42 | 16894 | 6 | 10 | 12 | 10 | 126 | 10 | 38 | 342 | 17 | <5 | 138 | 29 | <5 | 24 | 23 | 5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 54.9 | 72 | 1116 | 15 | 35 | 12869 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 64 | <5 | 20 | 183 | 10 | <5 | 68 | 16 | <5 | 25 | 10 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 20.3 | 112 | 1982 | 17 | 63 | 20422 | <5 | 10 | 12 | 9 | 160 | 10 | 38 | 288 | 15 | <5 | 193 | 44 | <5 | 35 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.6 | 133 | 3113 | 20 | 104 | 30046 | 14 | 5 | 23 | 8 | 265 | 17 | 66 | 529 | 24 | <5 | 323 | 44 | <5 | 37 | 45 | 7 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.3 | 137 | 2929 | 33 | 103 | 30371 | 14 | 29 | 19 | 16 | 205 | 15 | 82 | 850 | 22 | <5 | 236 | 34 | <5 | 31 | 41 | 9 |
| C | 1.5 | BROWN WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | QUARTZ; KAOLINISED, ILLITISED AND HEMATITISED FELDSPARS; CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED BIOTITE. H.M.- HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 112 | 1550 | <5 | 74 | 13834 | <5 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 392 | 18 | 44 | 234 | 18 | <5 | 346 | 25 | <5 | 34 | 37 | 5 | |
| R | 1.5 | SLIGHTLY WEATHERED MAKHUTSO GRANITE. | QUARTZ; SERICITISED AND KAOLINISED POTASH FELDSPAR AND PLAGIOCLASE; THE BIOTITE IS CHLORITISED. H.M. - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 27 on the grey Makhutso Granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m.) | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|----|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|------|----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.15 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 121 | 1637 | 25 | 139 | 16554 | <5 | <5 | 23 | 15 | 69 | 11 | 49 | 468 | 15 | <5 | 74 | 141 | <5 | 58 | 21 | 8 |
| | | | | >2 | 21.2 | 99 | 1055 | 11 | 89 | 10211 | <5 | <5 | 14 | 5 | 44 | 6 | 24 | 257 | 8 | <5 | 31 | 32 | <5 | 56 | 6 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 29.1 | 117 | 1353 | 13 | 141 | 1241 | <5 | <5 | 17 | 13 | 53 | 8 | 30 | 294 | 11 | <5 | 56 | 94 | <5 | 68 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 26.4 | 173 | 2092 | 13 | 172 | 16175 | <5 | <5 | 28 | 11 | 82 | 8 | 46 | 405 | 16 | <5 | 99 | 111 | <5 | 63 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 14.6 | 208 | 2496 | 17 | 203 | 18613 | <5 | <5 | 30 | 20 | 89 | 14 | 79 | 854 | 20 | <5 | 116 | 125 | <5 | 69 | 27 | 11 |
| | | | | <.075 | 8.7 | 287 | 4320 | 36 | 310 | 28177 | 17 | 9 | 67 | 28 | 134 | 21 | 131 | 1466 | 31 | <5 | 215 | 166 | <5 | 86 | 44 | 18 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 109 | 1682 | 13 | 80 | 13365 | <5 | <5 | 33 | 11 | 64 | 8 | 40 | 393 | 14 | <5 | 69 | 111 | <5 | 64 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 25.4 | 100 | 1298 | 12 | 75 | 13557 | <5 | <5 | 22 | 12 | 52 | 7 | 30 | 288 | 12 | <5 | 37 | 159 | <5 | 84 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 32.3 | 69 | 821 | 10 | 48 | 10337 | <5 | <5 | 9 | <5 | 34 | <5 | 17 | 180 | <5 | <5 | 23 | 111 | <5 | 62 | <5 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 29.4 | 168 | 2519 | 19 | 116 | 21253 | <5 | <5 | 40 | 25 | 91 | 10 | 61 | 497 | 19 | <5 | 124 | 133 | <5 | 61 | 24 | 5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.5 | 154 | 2618 | 17 | 110 | 18504 | 6 | <5 | 40 | 11 | 89 | 11 | 81 | 872 | 19 | <5 | 129 | 119 | <5 | 62 | 25 | 9 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.4 | 231 | 3905 | 35 | 180 | 29014 | 11 | 15 | 58 | 31 | 124 | 17 | 122 | 1347 | 28 | <5 | 179 | 109 | <5 | 80 | 38 | 17 |
| P | 0.6 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 109 | 1372 | 29 | 64 | 27345 | 7 | <5 | 44 | 15 | 49 | 7 | 32 | 301 | 12 | <5 | 41 | 38 | <5 | 61 | 16 | 5 |
| | | | | >2 | 70.4 | 146 | 1150 | 99 | 499 | 74479 | 22 | <5 | 127 | 14 | 38 | 6 | 23 | 192 | 8 | <5 | 117 | <5 | <5 | 148 | 25 | 13 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 11.8 | 119 | 1578 | 20 | 97 | 22155 | <5 | <5 | 40 | 16 | 56 | 7 | 34 | 312 | 11 | <5 | 56 | 16 | <5 | 105 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.3 | 190 | 3286 | 34 | 126 | 33255 | 16 | <5 | 84 | 31 | 112 | 11 | 76 | 683 | 22 | <5 | 143 | 40 | <5 | 77 | 34 | 8 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.6 | 245 | 3632 | 36 | 147 | 36827 | 13 | 15 | 81 | 42 | 120 | 12 | 88 | 866 | 23 | <5 | 171 | 97 | <5 | 74 | 34 | 11 |
| | | | | <.075 | 2.9 | 223 | 4210 | 55 | 171 | 46418 | 28 | 22 | 125 | 50 | 148 | 14 | 108 | 1026 | 28 | <5 | 188 | 62 | <5 | 90 | 47 | 13 |
| B ₂ (R) | 1.4 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION). | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; ENRICHED IN KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 87 | 2333 | 26 | 67 | 24048 | 8 | <5 | 56 | 7 | 55 | 6 | 40 | 376 | 15 | <5 | 59 | 34 | <5 | 41 | 16 | 5 |
| | | | | >2 | 46.7 | 98 | 1339 | 26 | 88 | 23506 | <5 | <5 | 45 | 11 | 39 | 5 | 23 | 222 | 10 | <5 | 30 | 29 | <5 | 54 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 28.6 | 123 | 2350 | 25 | 107 | 28473 | <5 | <5 | 62 | 10 | 61 | 7 | 41 | 376 | 14 | <5 | 81 | 26 | <5 | 73 | 16 | 5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 9.9 | 188 | 3606 | 47 | 183 | 43284 | 20 | 15 | 90 | 43 | 121 | 13 | 86 | 776 | 26 | <5 | 150 | 45 | <5 | 78 | 44 | 13 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.3 | 201 | 4029 | 34 | 161 | 40586 | 19 | 11 | 99 | 33 | 119 | 11 | 94 | 989 | 25 | <5 | 161 | 59 | <5 | 78 | 37 | 12 |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.5 | 212 | 4596 | 57 | 220 | 50269 | 23 | 28 | 115 | 56 | 142 | 16 | 109 | 1086 | 31 | <5 | 184 | 61 | <5 | 86 | 49 | 17 |
| B ₃ +C | 1.6 | WHITISH-GREY HORIZON CONTAINING MUCH CLAY MINERALS. THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE IS STILL PRESERVED. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR); ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; WHITE CONCRETIONS OF MAINLY KAOLINITE. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 94 | 2238 | 20 | 67 | 23262 | 7 | <5 | 77 | 25 | 120 | 17 | 53 | 312 | 22 | <5 | 186 | 19 | <5 | 64 | 30 | 10 |
| | | | | >2 | 39.7 | 64 | 1144 | 18 | 41 | 16413 | <5 | <5 | 52 | <5 | 50 | 6 | 24 | 203 | 11 | <5 | 66 | 24 | <5 | 53 | 11 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 26.8 | 79 | 1904 | 14 | 118 | 17387 | <5 | <5 | 67 | 22 | 92 | 12 | 36 | 268 | 18 | <5 | 154 | 23 | <5 | 70 | 22 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 14.3 | 103 | 3212 | 25 | 159 | 31389 | 13 | <5 | 134 | 30 | 203 | 22 | 68 | 478 | 27 | <5 | 337 | 25 | <5 | 92 | 48 | 5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.5 | 116 | 3260 | 32 | 150 | 34924 | 13 | 20 | 124 | 42 | 180 | 21 | 83 | 702 | 30 | <5 | 291 | 44 | <5 | 69 | 41 | 10 |
| | | | | <.075 | 10.7 | 105 | 3257 | 32 | 129 | 34471 | 24 | 12 | 187 | 51 | 180 | 19 | 94 | 779 | 32 | <5 | 256 | 48 | <5 | 71 | 41 | 8 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 28 on the grey Makhutso Granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|-----|------|-------|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|------|----|-----|--------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Tl | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U | |
| A ₁ | 0.15 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 11.7 | 130 | 1734 | 21 | 101 | 13991 | <5 | <5 | 8 | 15 | 84 | 12 | 45 | 521 | 16 | <5 | 135127 | <5 | 21 | 16 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 45.4 | 87 | 820 | 29 | 32 | 15070 | <5 | <5 | 5 | <5 | 34 | 5 | 15 | 197 | 9 | <5 | 53 | 32 | <5 | 28 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 22.0 | 131 | 1552 | 12 | 76 | 11428 | 5 | <5 | 6 | <5 | 63 | 8 | 29 | 340 | 13 | <5 | 100120 | <5 | 24 | 8 | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 13.3 | 175 | 2203 | 9 | 113 | 11854 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 119 | 12 | 45 | 470 | 16 | <5 | 218185 | <5 | 34 | 15 | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 17.1 | 88 | 1919 | 18 | 43 | 13498 | 10 | <5 | 10 | <5 | 85 | 10 | 44 | 535 | 18 | 6 | 136165 | 10 | 15 | <5 | <5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 42.6 | 109 | 1160 | 26 | 166 | 16717 | <5 | <5 | 7 | <5 | 44 | 6 | 23 | 279 | 11 | <5 | 92154 | <5 | 46 | 7 | <5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 26.6 | 103 | 1439 | 12 | 17 | 8099 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 62 | 6 | 29 | 353 | 11 | <5 | 87 | 49 | <5 | 34 | 5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 9.4 | 168 | 2481 | 8 | 78 | 15608 | 8 | <5 | 12 | 11 | 125 | 12 | 50 | 538 | 19 | <5 | 211200 | <5 | 22 | 19 | 5 | <5 | |
| P | 0.6 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 61.3 | 101 | 1700 | 28 | 68 | 21686 | 9 | <5 | 17 | 8 | 71 | 8 | 39 | 444 | 15 | <5 | 111180 | <5 | 20 | 13 | 5 | | |
| | | | | >2 | 18.4 | 118 | 827 | 32 | 33 | 23799 | 5 | <5 | 5 | <5 | 25 | <5 | 62 | 160 | 7 | <5 | 29 | 16 | <5 | 26 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 8.6 | 101 | 1489 | 18 | 35 | 12484 | <5 | <5 | 8 | 5 | 54 | 5 | 26 | 292 | 12 | <5 | 83209 | <5 | 32 | 6 | <5 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 6.2 | 158 | 3046 | 14 | 41 | 19179 | 9 | <5 | 21 | 10 | 129 | 10 | 61 | 651 | 22 | <5 | 221170 | <5 | 25 | 21 | <5 | <5 | |
| B ₂ (R) | 1.2 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. (ZONE OF ILLUVIATION). | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; ENRICHED IN KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 53.5 | 100 | 2573 | 22 | 120 | 24838 | 12 | <5 | 16 | 8 | 90 | 9 | 52 | 591 | 19 | <5 | 156 | 70 | <5 | 32 | 20 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 26.7 | 87 | 1350 | 26 | 71 | 20663 | 5 | <5 | 12 | 7 | 41 | 5 | 22 | 242 | 11 | <5 | 54 | 31 | <5 | 32 | 9 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 8.8 | 102 | 2685 | 20 | 107 | 22772 | 14 | <5 | 22 | 10 | 89 | 7 | 46 | 491 | 19 | <5 | 139 | 45 | <5 | 31 | 17 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 5.4 | 144 | 3607 | 29 | 172 | 31291 | 16 | 7 | 28 | 26 | 138 | 12 | 71 | 738 | 25 | <5 | 233 | 51 | <5 | 43 | 30 | 5 | |
| B ₃ | 1.9 | WHITISH-GREY HORIZON CONTAINING MUCH CLAY MINERALS. THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE IS STILL PRESERVED. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR); ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; WHITE CONCRETIONS OF MAINLY KAOLINITE. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 36.4 | 101 | 2441 | 26 | 113 | 23765 | 11 | <5 | 21 | 14 | 149 | 14 | 58 | 571 | 21 | <5 | 323 | 60 | <5 | 46 | 23 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 34.1 | 89 | 1183 | 29 | 80 | 22534 | <5 | <5 | 16 | <5 | 107 | 8 | 25 | 169 | 11 | <5 | 303 | 22 | <5 | 93 | 11 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 11.4 | 132 | 3365 | 20 | 151 | 26815 | 13 | <5 | 30 | 12 | 191 | 14 | 71 | 627 | 24 | <5 | 398 | 44 | <5 | 53 | 28 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 9.8 | 145 | 3540 | 17 | 133 | 22406 | 10 | <5 | 20 | 12 | 148 | 16 | 95 | 1056 | 28 | <5 | 312 | 55 | <5 | 38 | 33 | 9 | |
| C | 2.1 | BROWN WEATHERED BEDROCK. (UNCONSOLIDATED). | QUARTZ; KAOLINISED, ILLITISED AND HEMATITISED FELDSPARS; CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED BIOTITE. H.M.- HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 31.5 | 99 | 1942 | 15 | 111 | 2562 | 6 | <5 | 16 | 8 | 192 | 25 | 72 | 389 | 21 | <5 | 420 | 45 | <5 | 23 | 23 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 27.1 | 101 | 963 | 19 | 76 | 23567 | <5 | <5 | 13 | <5 | 143 | 14 | 37 | 78 | 10 | <5 | 403 | 13 | <5 | 56 | 12 | <5 | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 23.9 | 89 | 1562 | 18 | 93 | 25162 | <5 | <5 | 19 | 6 | 201 | 22 | 58 | 173 | 17 | <5 | 513 | 35 | <5 | 37 | 19 | <5 | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.3 | 135 | 2943 | 10 | 142 | 27102 | 11 | <5 | 25 | 6 | 232 | 21 | 83 | 456 | 23 | <5 | 501 | 37 | <5 | 34 | 27 | <5 | |
| R | 2.1 | WEATHERED MAKHUTSO GRANITE. | QUARTZ; SERICITISED AND KAOLINISED POTASH FELDSPAR AND PLAGIOCLASE; THE BIOTITE IS CHLORITISED. H.M. - MAG, ILM, HEM AND ZR. | TOTAL | 9.2 | 172 | 4652 | 6 | 178 | 25512 | 11 | <5 | 17 | <5 | 185 | 29 | 135 | 1256 | 35 | <5 | 443 | 36 | <5 | 35 | 39 | 12 | |
| | | | | >2 | 172 | 1060 | <5 | 103 | 3324 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 259 | 69 | 95 | 215 | 22 | <5 | 580 | 27 | <5 | 21 | 23 | 5 | | |
| | | | | .425-2 | 172 | 1060 | <5 | 103 | 3324 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 259 | 69 | 95 | 215 | 22 | <5 | 580 | 27 | <5 | 21 | 23 | 5 | | |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 172 | 1060 | <5 | 103 | 3324 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 259 | 69 | 95 | 215 | 22 | <5 | 580 | 27 | <5 | 21 | 23 | 5 | | |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 29 on the grey Makhutso Granite.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|------|----|----|------|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.05 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 98 | 1642 | 18 | 99 | 19541 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 153 | 15 | 53 | 578 | 17 | <5 | 233 | 44 | <5 | 36 | 25 | 6 |
| | | | | >2 | 14.4 | 71 | 1001 | 11 | 20 | 14196 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 97 | 8 | 30 | 319 | 10 | <5 | 142 | 35 | <5 | 34 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 39.9 | 101 | 1214 | 5 | 53 | 11551 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 120 | 11 | 31 | 332 | 12 | <5 | 173 | 29 | <5 | 36 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 28.3 | 131 | 2075 | <5 | 106 | 16251 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 192 | 15 | 56 | 596 | 19 | <5 | 312 | 77 | <5 | 31 | 24 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 11.9 | 153 | 2099 | 11 | 141 | 17740 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 188 | 17 | 79 | 978 | 19 | <5 | 356 | 65 | <5 | 38 | 24 | 7 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.5 | 179 | 3180 | 13 | 191 | 16750 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 216 | 24 | 130 | 1717 | 25 | <5 | 494 | 41 | <5 | 39 | 35 | 15 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.1 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 90 | 1632 | 16 | 30 | 17342 | 5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 147 | 12 | 50 | 555 | 16 | <5 | 235 | 44 | <5 | 22 | 18 | 5 |
| | | | | >2 | 16.6 | 68 | 894 | 13 | 30 | 22583 | 5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 90 | 8 | 26 | 262 | 10 | <5 | 143 | 29 | <5 | 39 | 8 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 40.2 | 82 | 1336 | <5 | 28 | 10735 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 126 | 10 | 36 | 388 | 13 | <5 | 192 | 39 | <5 | 27 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 29.1 | 124 | 2109 | 10 | 82 | 19923 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 196 | 15 | 62 | 652 | 19 | <5 | 325 | 83 | <5 | 35 | 27 | 6 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 9.4 | 126 | 2165 | <5 | 30 | 13456 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 183 | 15 | 73 | 902 | 20 | <5 | 366 | 89 | <5 | 20 | 24 | 5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.7 | 172 | 3137 | 16 | 105 | 20349 | 7 | 6 | <5 | 7 | 222 | 22 | 122 | 1489 | 26 | <5 | 475 | 55 | <5 | 37 | 36 | 15 |
| P | 0.2 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; WEATHERED ROCK DEBRIS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 94 | 1641 | 11 | 33 | 20516 | <5 | <5 | 7 | <5 | 153 | 11 | 48 | 515 | 9 | <5 | 221 | 34 | <5 | 31 | 18 | 7 |
| | | | | >2 | 51.5 | 51 | 821 | 6 | 35 | 23512 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 89 | 9 | 20 | 246 | 15 | <5 | 136 | 45 | <5 | 39 | 9 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 27.8 | 83 | 1534 | 6 | 31 | 12735 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 7 | 134 | 11 | 39 | 351 | 15 | <5 | 197 | 54 | <5 | 40 | 12 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 10.4 | 184 | 2751 | 10 | 91 | 21516 | <5 | <5 | 7 | 6 | 197 | 17 | 81 | 631 | 19 | <5 | 340 | 93 | <5 | 56 | 31 | 7 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.1 | 201 | 3215 | 19 | 34 | 17345 | 9 | <5 | 12 | <5 | 179 | 15 | 109 | 852 | 25 | <5 | 385 | 83 | <5 | 41 | 36 | 11 |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.2 | 221 | 3956 | 22 | 111 | 23515 | 16 | 7 | 16 | 9 | 201 | 24 | 161 | 1276 | 32 | <5 | 501 | 60 | <5 | 37 | 42 | 17 |
| B(R) + C | 0.4 | BROWN-RED HORIZON CONTAINING HIGHLY WEATHERED BEDROCK MATERIAL. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; GREYISH MATRIX OF KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M. - HEM, GH, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 64 | 1945 | 6 | 120 | 37348 | 14 | <5 | <5 | 13 | 239 | 12 | 55 | 523 | 22 | <5 | 610 | <5 | <5 | 34 | 28 | 5 |
| | | | | >2 | 32.5 | 64 | 1953 | 8 | 123 | 36421 | 13 | <5 | <5 | 15 | 240 | 15 | 49 | 462 | 24 | <5 | 593 | <5 | <5 | 33 | 27 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 31.2 | 83 | 1740 | 8 | 141 | 31056 | 8 | <5 | <5 | 17 | 186 | 12 | 53 | 447 | 19 | <5 | 392 | 10 | <5 | 34 | 26 | 5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 18.2 | 94 | 2349 | 7 | 129 | 31290 | 11 | <5 | <5 | 17 | 209 | 13 | 65 | 591 | 21 | <5 | 417 | <5 | <5 | 31 | 31 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 9.3 | 115 | 2133 | 15 | 145 | 28553 | 8 | <5 | <5 | 12 | 255 | 18 | 84 | 881 | 20 | <5 | 585 | 9 | <5 | 32 | 32 | 8 |
| | | | | <.075 | 8.8 | 107 | 2220 | 17 | 143 | 33165 | 17 | 8 | <5 | 18 | 337 | 19 | 90 | 913 | 20 | <5 | 817 | <5 | <5 | 38 | 36 | 6 |
| R | 0.4 | WEATHERED GRANOPHYRE. | QUARTZ; ALTERED FELDSPARS AND BIOTITE. H.M.- HEM, MAG AND ZR. | | | 46 | 1606 | <5 | 114 | 24178 | <5 | <5 | <5 | 34 | 301 | 49 | 85 | 476 | 18 | <5 | 1159 | <5 | <5 | 29 | 29 | 7 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 30 on the Stavoren Granophyre.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m). | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm). | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|------------------|----------|------------------------|------|----|-----|-------|-----|----|-----|------|-----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.2 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 144 | 5955 | 28 | 158 | 21433 | 10 | <5 | 31 | 52 | 87 | 11 | 55 | 456 | 17 | <5 | 83 | 211 | 16 | 102 | 27 | 6 |
| | | | | >2 | 17.1 | 123 | 1211 | 18 | 93 | 28183 | 6 | <5 | 53 | 42 | 80 | 10 | 33 | 248 | 12 | <5 | 71 | 60 | 17 | 159 | 36 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 43.7 | 156 | 1565 | 19 | 153 | 16287 | 6 | <5 | 25 | 36 | 69 | 9 | 39 | 328 | 14 | <5 | 69 | 101 | <5 | 113 | 18 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 26.2 | 215 | 2384 | 21 | 186 | 21173 | 12 | <5 | 38 | 39 | 95 | 11 | 59 | 495 | 19 | <5 | 117 | 145 | <5 | 118 | 26 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 8.4 | 255 | 2812 | 23 | 219 | 24776 | 10 | <5 | 38 | 46 | 100 | 14 | 85 | 823 | 22 | <5 | 117 | 136 | <5 | 105 | 29 | 9 |
| <.075 | 4.6 | 285 | 3746 | 34 | 310 | 28249 | 19 | 5 | 59 | 59 | 137 | 21 | 118 | 1138 | 25 | <5 | 184 | 103 | <5 | 138 | 40 | 13 | | | | |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 105 | 1548 | 24 | 91 | 32697 | 14 | <5 | 27 | 58 | 109 | 7 | 48 | 401 | 13 | <5 | 88 | 201 | 8 | 112 | 19 | 5 |
| | | | | >2 | 23.1 | 99 | 1298 | 15 | 102 | 34923 | 10 | <5 | 47 | 103 | 135 | 7 | 38 | 229 | 17 | <5 | 74 | 58 | 12 | 251 | 17 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 46.2 | 124 | 1616 | 12 | 75 | 14733 | <5 | <5 | 28 | 24 | 67 | 7 | 41 | 348 | 14 | <5 | 65 | 152 | 25 | 115 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 21.3 | 196 | 2445 | 25 | 109 | 23676 | 10 | <5 | 37 | 43 | 91 | 10 | 62 | 521 | 20 | <5 | 95 | 173 | <5 | 104 | 28 | 5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.7 | 209 | 2796 | 19 | 91 | 21192 | 11 | <5 | 44 | 33 | 92 | 10 | 78 | 805 | 21 | <5 | 122 | 131 | <5 | 88 | 26 | 5 |
| <.075 | 3.7 | 277 | 3904 | 31 | 167 | 31710 | 18 | 13 | 58 | 65 | 134 | 16 | 118 | 1166 | 28 | <5 | 167 | 113 | <5 | 114 | 42 | 13 | | | | |
| P | 0.6 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. | MAINLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 111 | 1578 | 17 | 203 | 28927 | 8 | <5 | 86 | 131 | 176 | 8 | 51 | 351 | 17 | <5 | 151 | 47 | 6 | 104 | 23 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 64.3 | 121 | 1376 | 20 | 599 | 54907 | 15 | <5 | 147 | 235 | 315 | 8 | 63 | 233 | 20 | <5 | 218 | 18 | 10 | 239 | 27 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 16.7 | 126 | 1579 | 14 | 119 | 18701 | <5 | <5 | 63 | 59 | 91 | 7 | 40 | 298 | 13 | <5 | 69 | 175 | <5 | 102 | 14 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 7.7 | 195 | 2666 | 19 | 111 | 24568 | 12 | <5 | 79 | 46 | 102 | 9 | 65 | 529 | 20 | <5 | 116 | 140 | <5 | 110 | 28 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 6.0 | 205 | 2942 | 25 | 119 | 27307 | 14 | 5 | 79 | 56 | 109 | 11 | 88 | 845 | 23 | <5 | 125 | 121 | <5 | 101 | 33 | 9 |
| <.075 | 5.3 | 253 | 3969 | 33 | 164 | 35661 | 21 | 9 | 93 | 74 | 158 | 14 | 113 | 1053 | 26 | <5 | 187 | 80 | <5 | 123 | 45 | 9 | | | | |
| B ₂ (R) | 1.2 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. (MAXIMUM CLAY AND IRON ACCUMULATION). | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; ENRICHED IN KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 109 | 1608 | 15 | 542 | 36510 | 10 | <5 | 199 | 203 | 242 | 8 | 67 | 302 | 19 | <5 | 170 | 36 | <5 | 286 | 25 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 63.9 | 96 | 1249 | 9 | 873 | 40850 | 10 | <5 | 193 | 289 | 312 | 10 | 72 | 230 | 21 | <5 | 258 | 30 | <5 | 341 | 25 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 21.3 | 112 | 1768 | 17 | 353 | 24515 | 9 | <5 | 162 | 149 | 183 | 7 | 54 | 319 | 19 | <5 | 159 | 80 | <5 | 186 | 20 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 6.4 | 179 | 2615 | 31 | 219 | 33219 | 13 | 7 | 162 | 114 | 169 | 11 | 76 | 563 | 23 | <5 | 162 | 122 | <5 | 150 | 35 | 6 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 4.7 | 236 | 3225 | 29 | 176 | 33848 | 15 | <5 | 179 | 92 | 160 | 10 | 87 | 741 | 22 | <5 | 175 | 85 | <5 | 121 | 34 | 6 |
| <.075 | 3.7 | 256 | 3623 | 38 | 227 | 42586 | 23 | 20 | 191 | 131 | 214 | 15 | 109 | 912 | 27 | <5 | 189 | 80 | <5 | 138 | 46 | 11 | | | | |
| B ₃ | 1.4 | HORIZON CONTAINING REDDISH UNCONSOLIDATED WEATHERED BEDROCK WITH GREEN AND WHITE CONCRETIONS OF CLAY MINERALS. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR); ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 63 | 1547 | 13 | 442 | 22895 | 6 | <5 | 127 | 358 | 336 | 11 | 77 | 300 | 29 | <5 | 231 | 31 | <5 | 135 | 40 | <5 |
| | | | | >2 | 61.9 | 39 | 1244 | 6 | 644 | 16789 | <5 | <5 | 125 | 380 | 346 | 7 | 69 | 232 | 22 | <5 | 269 | 21 | <5 | 184 | 22 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 26.2 | 66 | 1733 | 7 | 291 | 19142 | 8 | <5 | 121 | 343 | 315 | 9 | 68 | 284 | 31 | <5 | 201 | 59 | <5 | 106 | 31 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 3.8 | 83 | 1914 | 17 | 254 | 24561 | 12 | <5 | 132 | 387 | 375 | 9 | 56 | 364 | 29 | <5 | 232 | 85 | <5 | 120 | 51 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 3.8 | 121 | 1849 | 12 | 230 | 29527 | 11 | <5 | 137 | 354 | 344 | 11 | 100 | 499 | 25 | <5 | 239 | 50 | <5 | 118 | 56 | <5 |
| <.075 | 4.3 | 94 | 1437 | 15 | 208 | 22994 | 11 | <5 | 141 | 312 | 325 | 10 | 111 | 524 | 20 | <5 | 250 | 45 | <5 | 124 | 52 | <5 | | | | |
| C | 1.6 | RED UNCONSOLIDATED WEATHERED BEDROCK. GRANITIC STRUCTURE STILL PRESERVED. | QUARTZ; KAOLINISED, ILLITISED AND HEMATITISED FELDSPARS; CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED BIOTITE. H.M.- HEM, MAG, ILM AND ZR. | TOTAL | | 34 | 1443 | 10 | 151 | 22521 | 5 | <5 | 130 | 322 | 367 | 5 | 80 | 255 | 22 | <5 | 240 | 24 | <5 | 81 | 31 | <5 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 31 on altered (chloritised) Makhutso Granite next to a sulphide rich quartz vein.

APPENDIX A: (CONTINUED)

| WEATHERING HORIZON | DEPTH TO LOWER BOUNDARY OF ZONE (m) | DESCRIPTION | MINERALOGY | GRAIN SIZE (mm) | WEIGHT % | GEOCHEMICAL DATA (PPM) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|-----------------|----------|------------------------|------|-----|-------|-------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|
| | | | | | | P | Ti | V | Mn | Fe | Co | Ni | Cu | Zn | Rb | Sr | Y | Zr | Nb | Mo | Ba | Sn | W | Pb | Th | U |
| A ₁ | 0.15 | DARK BROWN, ORGANIC RICH, ORTHIC A HORIZON WITH WEAKLY STRUCTURED SOILS. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS (SLIGHTLY STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES); NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; MINOR KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM, ZR AND CAS. | TOTAL | 266 | 3114 | 41 | 111 | 38467 | 31 | 15 | 101 | 41 | 216 | 10 | 87 | 359 | 27 | <5 | 146 | 221 | <5 | 58 | 38 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 20.3 | 240 | 3833 | 47 | 126 | 53154 | 39 | 30 | 148 | 65 | 280 | 10 | 86 | 266 | 31 | <5 | 174 | 91 | <5 | 77 | 46 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 38.5 | 244 | 3354 | 36 | 119 | 40565 | 27 | 14 | 107 | 42 | 219 | 9 | 74 | 278 | 25 | <5 | 154 | 132 | <5 | 70 | 36 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 32.4 | 240 | 2815 | 24 | 111 | 29374 | 19 | <5 | 72 | 27 | 174 | 8 | 79 | 355 | 21 | <5 | 135 | 256 | <5 | 57 | 27 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.6 | 301 | 3713 | 33 | 171 | 37068 | 26 | 10 | 90 | 35 | 210 | 11 | 111 | 614 | 27 | <5 | 178 | 180 | <5 | 72 | 40 | 6 |
| | | | | <.075 | 3.2 | 314 | 4372 | 44 | 193 | 41264 | 30 | 18 | 109 | 46 | 239 | 15 | 123 | 678 | 33 | <5 | 196 | 166 | <5 | 79 | 49 | 9 |
| A ₂ (E) | 0.3 | LIGHT COLOURED, LOOSE STRUCTURED, HORIZON OF MAXIMUM ELUVIATION. | ALMOST ONLY ROUNDED AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ GRAINS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE; TRACES OF KAOLINITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS. H.M.- GH, MAG, ILM, LIM, ZR AND CAS. | TOTAL | 91 | 1491 | 22 | 59 | 17485 | 8 | <5 | 23 | 13 | 114 | 8 | 64 | 399 | 16 | <5 | 75 | 475 | <5 | 26 | 21 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 14.8 | 74 | 928 | 18 | 47 | 28675 | 10 | <5 | 30 | 28 | 201 | 6 | 41 | 179 | 15 | <5 | 81 | 700 | <5 | 32 | 21 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 31.8 | 96 | 1263 | 11 | 24 | 11882 | <5 | <5 | 18 | 9 | 90 | 7 | 44 | 259 | 14 | <5 | 56 | 350 | <5 | 23 | 15 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 34.3 | 109 | 1419 | 12 | 39 | 14407 | <5 | <5 | 23 | 12 | 100 | 7 | 55 | 311 | 16 | <5 | 63 | 405 | <5 | 17 | 18 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 12.6 | 187 | 2455 | 7 | 81 | 16785 | 8 | <5 | 27 | 14 | 124 | 10 | 92 | 641 | 21 | <5 | 105 | 332 | <5 | 28 | 30 | 6 |
| | | | | <.075 | 6.5 | 240 | 4075 | 26 | 178 | 28535 | 15 | 9 | 47 | 29 | 191 | 16 | 162 | 1254 | 32 | <5 | 206 | 315 | <5 | 41 | 57 | 14 |
| P | 0.45 | ZONE MARKED BY QUARTZ PEBBLES, ROCK DEBRIS AND IRON OXIDES. PIECES OF VLAKLAAGTE GRANITE ARE RECOGNISED. | MAINLY ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR QUARTZ PEBBLES; GOETHITE PELLETS; MINOR KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER MIXED LAYERED CLAYS; NO FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. H.M.- GH, HEM, MAG, ILM, LIM, ZR AND CAS. | TOTAL | 120 | 1800 | 36 | 45 | 40000 | 10 | <5 | 40 | 24 | 124 | 7 | 100 | 450 | 19 | <5 | 80 | 950 | <5 | 20 | 40 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 64.2 | 132 | 1200 | 52 | 33 | 44000 | 12 | <5 | 35 | 6 | 118 | <5 | 70 | 200 | 13 | <5 | 45 | 800 | <5 | 17 | 28 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 18.4 | 110 | 1400 | 26 | 31 | 26100 | 9 | <5 | 29 | 20 | 120 | <5 | 67 | 250 | 16 | <5 | 64 | 550 | <5 | 15 | 25 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 7.4 | 113 | 2400 | 29 | 29 | 28200 | 13 | <5 | 36 | 21 | 130 | <5 | 85 | 410 | 17 | <5 | 110 | 600 | <5 | 13 | 30 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 5.4 | 170 | 3100 | 33 | 44 | 35300 | 18 | 16 | 39 | 36 | 150 | 7 | 130 | 710 | 23 | <5 | 120 | 610 | <5 | 17 | 46 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.6 | 192 | 3200 | 60 | 49 | 42600 | 30 | 21 | 53 | 40 | 200 | 8 | 134 | 670 | 25 | <5 | 140 | 605 | <5 | 19 | 52 | <5 |
| B ₂ (R) | 0.7 | RED SOFT PLINTIC B HORIZON WHICH STILL PRESERVES THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE. GREISEN VEINS ARE STILL PRESENT. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR) STAINED WITH IRON OXIDES; NO FRESH FELDSPAR OR BIOTITE; ENRICHED IN KAOLINITE, ILLITE AND OTHER CLAY MINERALS; IRON OXIDES. H.M.- HEM, GH, MAG, ILM, LIM, ZR AND CAS. | TOTAL | 104 | 1617 | 22 | 41 | 21631 | 13 | <5 | 42 | 21 | 168 | 6 | 68 | 359 | 17 | <5 | 79 | 273 | <5 | 24 | 28 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 57.2 | 61 | 1797 | 15 | 30 | 14687 | <5 | <5 | 16 | 21 | 184 | <5 | 44 | 160 | 12 | <5 | 50 | 193 | <5 | 20 | 16 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 25.3 | 122 | 1797 | 15 | 34 | 21681 | 11 | <5 | 44 | 23 | 169 | <5 | 65 | 314 | 15 | <5 | 81 | 299 | <5 | 27 | 22 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.5 | 165 | 2336 | 22 | 45 | 27276 | 17 | <5 | 63 | 24 | 169 | 7 | 81 | 449 | 19 | <5 | 96 | 340 | <5 | 32 | 30 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 4.9 | 218 | 3174 | 30 | 81 | 34970 | 21 | 8 | 82 | 34 | 202 | 9 | 103 | 659 | 22 | <5 | 135 | 228 | <5 | 35 | 42 | <5 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.1 | 235 | 3833 | 41 | 111 | 43362 | 31 | 21 | 108 | 48 | 259 | 12 | 129 | 789 | 28 | <5 | 166 | 188 | <5 | 45 | 55 | 7 |
| B ₃ | 0.9 | WHITISH-GREY HORIZON CONTAINING MUCH CLAY MINERALS. THE GRANITIC STRUCTURE IS STILL PRESERVED AND THE GREISEN VEINS LESS ALTERED. | QUARTZ (ANGULAR AND SUBANGULAR); ALTERED FELDSPAR AND BIOTITE. KAOLINITE IS ENRICHED IN THIS ZONE. H.M. - MAG, ILM, LIM, GH, HEM, ZR AND CAS. | TOTAL | 120 | 1820 | 21 | 40 | 19000 | 13 | <5 | 40 | 24 | 350 | 10 | 75 | 300 | 20 | <5 | 95 | 250 | <5 | 25 | 34 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 58.1 | 136 | 1460 | 30 | 31 | 11000 | 11 | <5 | 48 | 27 | 500 | 9 | 66 | 210 | 22 | <5 | 80 | 170 | <5 | 21 | 34 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 21.4 | 120 | 1765 | 11 | 30 | 20200 | 10 | <5 | 42 | 20 | 410 | 7 | 63 | 260 | 19 | <5 | 71 | 260 | <5 | 14 | 24 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 8.1 | 175 | 2490 | 14 | 36 | 14100 | 9 | <5 | 45 | 36 | 360 | 10 | 78 | 380 | 17 | <5 | 73 | 260 | <5 | 17 | 27 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 7.7 | 235 | 3634 | 29 | 38 | 21200 | 13 | 8 | 65 | 42 | 299 | 11 | 111 | 454 | 20 | <5 | 130 | 241 | <5 | 19 | 37 | 6 |
| | | | | <.075 | 4.7 | 240 | 3843 | 45 | 52 | 27300 | 16 | 20 | 74 | 64 | 380 | 14 | 125 | 510 | 25 | <5 | 162 | 212 | <5 | 23 | 53 | 10 |
| C | 1.6 | REDDISH-BROWN WEATHERED BEDROCK. GREISEN VEINS ARE CUTTING THROUGH THE UNCONSOLIDATED MATERIAL. | QUARTZ; KAOLINISED, ILLITISED AND HEMATITISED FELDSPARS; CHLORITISED AND HEMATITISED BIOTITE. H.M.- HEM, MAG, ILM, ZR AND CAS. | TOTAL | 115 | 2036 | 21 | 89 | 25178 | 13 | <5 | 40 | 23 | 411 | 10 | 88 | 233 | 20 | <5 | 101 | 185 | <5 | 29 | 40 | <5 | |
| | | | | >2 | 61.8 | 96 | 1257 | 9 | 42 | 13888 | 6 | <5 | 23 | 24 | 354 | <5 | 54 | 232 | 16 | <5 | 60 | 104 | <5 | 28 | 24 | <5 |
| | | | | .425-2 | 15.8 | 135 | 2036 | 13 | 89 | 25178 | 11 | <5 | 43 | 47 | 436 | 7 | 83 | 382 | 20 | <5 | 98 | 166 | <5 | 36 | 37 | <5 |
| | | | | .180-.425 | 7.3 | 213 | 3414 | 30 | 133 | 40565 | 18 | 14 | 80 | 64 | 473 | 9 | 105 | 312 | 25 | <5 | 160 | 229 | <5 | 40 | 50 | <5 |
| | | | | .075-.180 | 9.4 | 231 | 3414 | 35 | 126 | 40565 | 21 | 17 | 78 | 51 | 447 | 10 | 123 | 406 | 24 | <5 | 156 | 180 | <5 | 47 | 59 | 7 |
| | | | | <.075 | 5.7 | 231 | 3776 | 51 | 141 | 45460 | 28 | 25 | 92 | 61 | 488 | 11 | 132 | 438 | 23 | <5 | 170 | 145 | <5 | 45 | 65 | 6 |
| R | 1.6 | HIGHLY WEATHERED GREYISH-RED MAKHUTSO GRANITE | QUARTZ; SERICITISED AND KAOLINISED POTASH FELDSPAR AND PLAGIOCLASE; THE BIOTITE IS CHLORITISED. H.M. - MAG, ILM, HEM, ZR AND CAS. | | | 90 | 486 | 6 | 64 | 24479 | <5 | <5 | 50 | 41 | 504 | 11 | 90 | 110 | 15 | <5 | 108 | 150 | <5 | 34 | 23 | <5 |

Description, mineralogy and trace element geochemistry of weathering profile 32 on reddish-grey Makhutso Granite with greisen veins cutting through the granite.

APPENDIX B: MAJOR AND TRACE ELEMENT DATA FOR THE DIFFERENT ROCK-TYPES.

| SAMPLE No. ELEMENT | A | | B | | | C | | D | E | | | | | | | F | |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| SiO ₂ | 74.96 | 78.28 | 75.72 | 77.28 | 75.43 | 77.63 | 77.35 | 72.60 | 73.35 | 72.92 | 74.05 | 73.76 | 74.17 | 75.10 | 73.89 | 74.00 | 75.00 |
| TiO ₂ | 0.23 | 0.22 | 0.19 | 0.16 | 0.17 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.20 | 0.23 | 0.21 | 0.19 | 0.19 | 0.22 | 0.21 | 0.21 | 0.22 | 0.20 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 10.94 | 10.99 | 11.96 | 11.21 | 12.15 | 10.80 | 11.38 | 12.23 | 12.06 | 12.66 | 12.32 | 12.15 | 12.69 | 12.24 | 12.32 | 12.19 | 11.69 |
| Fe ₂ O ₃ | 2.28 | 2.25 | 0.48 | 0.34 | 0.46 | 0.44 | 0.91 | 1.53 | 0.51 | 0.48 | 0.53 | 1.17 | 0.80 | 0.57 | 0.28 | 0.43 | 0.36 |
| FeO | 1.36 | 1.20 | 0.68 | 0.68 | 0.60 | 1.27 | 1.18 | 5.48 | 2.27 | 2.30 | 1.75 | 1.85 | 1.49 | 1.73 | 2.12 | 2.24 | 2.11 |
| MnO | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.20 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| MgO | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.08 | 0.19 | 0.01 | 0.09 | 0.15 | 0.20 | 0.14 | 0.20 | 0.17 | 0.07 | 0.20 | 0.15 | 0.11 | 0.15 |
| CaO | 0.67 | 0.47 | 1.02 | 0.82 | 0.99 | 0.38 | 0.25 | 0.06 | 1.06 | 0.96 | 0.97 | 0.87 | 0.59 | 0.94 | 0.88 | 0.81 | 0.85 |
| Na ₂ O | 3.42 | 3.52 | 3.88 | 3.56 | 3.98 | 2.75 | 2.72 | 0.01 | 3.14 | 3.16 | 3.47 | 3.24 | 3.54 | 3.16 | 3.79 | 3.10 | 3.30 |
| K ₂ O | 5.47 | 2.55 | 5.32 | 5.08 | 5.38 | 5.31 | 5.04 | 5.43 | 5.64 | 5.62 | 5.36 | 5.40 | 5.34 | 5.20 | 5.28 | 5.53 | 5.26 |
| P ₂ O ₅ | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.27 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.01 |
| Cr ₂ O ₃ | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.03 |
| H ₂ O ⁺ | 0.43 | 0.37 | 0.39 | 0.36 | 0.36 | 0.62 | 0.69 | 1.85 | 0.83 | 0.84 | 0.77 | 0.55 | 0.85 | 0.55 | 0.75 | 0.80 | 0.69 |
| H ₂ O ⁻ | 0.16 | 0.09 | 0.16 | 0.21 | 0.22 | 0.14 | 0.12 | 0.06 | 0.07 | 0.11 | 0.07 | 0.11 | 0.13 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.12 | 0.11 |
| Total | 99.96 | 99.99 | 99.95 | 99.85 | 99.98 | 99.49 | 99.89 | 99.82 | 99.41 | 99.47 | 99.97 | 99.51 | 99.95 | 99.99 | 99.86 | 99.60 | 99.78 |
| Li | 2 | 15 | 10 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 36 | 34 | 31 | 33 | 24 | 20 | 33 | 32 | 23 | 21 |
| Be | 2 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 8 | 8 |
| B | NO | NO | 18 | 8 | 23 | 3 | 30 | 20 | 60 | 55 | 75 | 35 | NO | 30 | 33 | 3 | 3 |
| F | 830 | 1050 | 330 | 230 | 400 | 1530 | 1000 | 1090 | 1730 | 1300 | 1230 | 1450 | 1000 | 1030 | 1430 | 1530 | 1350 |
| V | 5 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 10 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Co | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 |
| Ni | 5 | 17 | 5 | 11 | 5 | 10 | 5 | 28 | 16 | 5 | 14 | 12 | 7 | 12 | 5 | 7 | 17 |
| Cu | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 240 | 263 | 90 | 5 | 102 | 33 | 5 | 5 | 12 | 5 | 41 | 5 |
| Zn | 117 | 26 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 129 | 199 | 188 | 5 | 5 | 9 | 5 | 10 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 |
| Rb | 229 | 251 | 263 | 262 | 272 | 363 | 326 | 1179 | 480 | 485 | 442 | 449 | 436 | 433 | 432 | 490 | 443 |
| Sr | 58 | 61 | 71 | 73 | 73 | 43 | 38 | 31 | 97 | 88 | 94 | 93 | 96 | 91 | 86 | 55 | 61 |
| Y | 106 | 123 | 112 | 132 | 115 | 83 | 75 | 59 | 88 | 67 | 83 | 76 | 151 | 82 | 90 | 114 | 120 |
| Zr | 526 | 492 | 235 | 221 | 237 | 160 | 160 | 240 | 257 | 254 | 261 | 242 | 255 | 258 | 264 | 333 | 322 |
| Nb | 17 | 18 | 22 | 22 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 23 | 23 | 24 | 23 | 20 | 23 | 22 | 28 | 30 |
| Mo | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 112 | 96 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 45 | 68 |
| Ba | 1075 | 1165 | 582 | 567 | 612 | 332 | 457 | 347 | 498 | 491 | 511 | 490 | 519 | 504 | 513 | 402 | 282 |
| Sn | 5 | 12 | 25 | 26 | 5 | 29 | 19 | 260 | 36 | 31 | 29 | 28 | 9 | 28 | 19 | 47 | 38 |
| W | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 28 | 9 | 19 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Pb | 29 | 21 | 30 | 30 | 23 | 54 | 54 | 37 | 32 | 25 | 28 | 28 | 26 | 25 | 26 | 30 | 31 |
| Th | 27 | 30 | 37 | 44 | 32 | 47 | 44 | 45 | 31 | 32 | 31 | 30 | 25 | 31 | 24 | 74 | 78 |
| U | 7 | 10 | 8 | 13 | 7 | 13 | 14 | 16 | 11 | 8 | 15 | 17 | 14 | 14 | 7 | 15 | 21 |

APPENDIX B: (CONTINUED)

| | G | | | | | | H | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| SiO ₂ | 76.70 | 76.47 | 72.89 | 76.76 | 75.55 | 74.52 | 53.68 | 59.92 | 71.00 | 66.42 |
| TiO ₂ | 0.06 | 0.05 | 0.20 | 0.09 | 0.18 | 0.21 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.14 | 0.06 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 11.42 | 11.72 | 12.87 | 11.02 | 11.70 | 12.30 | 27.22 | 22.74 | 15.64 | 17.88 |
| Fe ₂ O ₃ | 2.17 | 1.63 | 3.41 | 0.91 | 1.70 | 0.64 | 3.00 | 2.26 | 1.64 | 2.82 |
| FeO | 0.64 | 0.67 | 0.01 | 0.80 | 1.06 | 1.63 | 2.30 | 2.36 | 1.65 | 2.28 |
| MnO | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| MgO | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.12 | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.19 | 0.41 | 0.21 | 0.13 | 0.19 |
| CaO | 0.05 | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.50 | 0.23 | 0.78 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.03 |
| Na ₂ O | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.86 | 2.24 | 1.58 | 3.23 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| K ₂ O | 7.24 | 7.76 | 7.49 | 6.53 | 6.53 | 5.09 | 9.15 | 8.44 | 6.63 | 7.39 |
| P ₂ O ₅ | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| Cr ₂ O ₃ | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| H ₂ O ⁺ | 1.15 | 1.18 | 1.16 | 0.61 | 1.06 | 0.66 | 3.48 | 3.00 | 2.21 | 2.57 |
| H ₂ O ⁻ | 0.18 | 0.09 | 0.29 | 0.08 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.04 | 0.10 | 0.07 | 0.05 |
| TOTAL | 99.73 | 99.74 | 99.43 | 99.58 | 99.92 | 99.47 | 99.37 | 99.15 | 99.17 | 99.73 |

LEGEND

- A - Stavoren Granophyre
- B - Grey Makhutso Granite
- C - Red Makhutso Granite
- D - Gneiss from Makhutso Granite
- E - Grey Vlaklaagte granite
- F - Granite aplite
- G - Red Vlaklaagte granite
- H - Gneiss from Vlaklaagte granite
- I - Quartz-pegmatite veins associated with gneiss
- J - Quartz-pegmatite veins from sulphide rich zone
- K - Epithermal altered Makhutso Granite in sulphide rich zone.

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|
| Li | 8 | 7 | 11 | 11 | 16 | 23 | 39 | 40 | 32 | 20 | | | | | |
| Be | 5 | 10 | 4 | 7 | 4 | 5 | 160 | 90 | 4 | 360 | | | | | |
| B | 97 | 75 | 30 | 90 | NO | NO | 93 | 18 | 5 | 65 | | | | | |
| F | 570 | 500 | 700 | 2170 | 1370 | 1100 | 4450 | 5700 | 2950 | 2550 | | | | | |
| V | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 25 | 21 | 20 | 23 | | | | | |
| CO | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 12 | 6 | 12 | | | | | |
| Ni | 11 | 10 | 7 | 5 | 8 | 14 | 35 | 21 | 19 | 29 | | | | | |
| Cu | 14 | 12 | 262 | 338 | 295 | 55 | 5 | 5 | 36 | 5 | | | | | |
| Zn | 8 | 8 | 43 | 212 | 36 | 15 | 11 | 5 | 5 | 16 | | | | | |
| Rb | 718 | 745 | 661 | 546 | 594 | 491 | 1986 | 1742 | 685 | 1550 | 184 | 169 | 256 | 146 | 226 |
| Sr | 19 | 20 | 27 | 33 | 51 | 75 | 27 | 23 | 15 | 22 | 26 | 23 | 5 | 11 | 5 |
| Y | 131 | 128 | 71 | 96 | 104 | 78 | 85 | 121 | 56 | 94 | 30 | 25 | 5 | 25 | 34 |
| Zr | 163 | 163 | 256 | 182 | 237 | 259 | 138 | 143 | 216 | 169 | 41 | 35 | 5 | 5 | 135 |
| Nb | 31 | 31 | 18 | 29 | 24 | 24 | 6 | 33 | 9 | 13 | 5 | 9 | 5 | 6 | 19 |
| Mo | 5 | 7 | 5 | 107 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 45 | 25 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Ba | 341 | 339 | 549 | 382 | 495 | 490 | 351 | 293 | 255 | 229 | 152 | 131 | 250 | 1055 | 33 |
| Sn | 50 | 49 | 14 | 124 | 58 | 19 | 751 | 513 | 2301 | 461 | 292 | 459 | 53 | 22 | 20 |
| W | 5 | 5 | 19 | 28 | 27 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 70 | 80 | 21 |
| Pb | 71 | 77 | 17 | 88 | 56 | 32 | 31 | 24 | 21 | 47 | 26 | 36 | 50 | 250 | 155 |
| Th | 42 | 44 | 34 | 54 | 33 | 31 | 50 | 47 | 30 | 53 | 11 | 7 | 618 | 621 | 43 |
| U | 29 | 29 | 11 | 20 | 12 | 14 | 11 | 16 | 5 | 8 | 9 | 5 | 5 | 16 | 18 |

APPENDIX C: MAJOR AND TRACE ELEMENT DATA FOR THE ZONES IN THE BEDROCK MATERIAL.

| ELEMENT | WEATHERING ZONES | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| | R4 | R3 | R2 | R1 |
| SiO ₂ | 74.17 | 73.87 | 74.60 | 74.19 |
| TiO ₂ | 0.22 | 0.21 | 0.23 | 0.24 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 12.69 | 12.44 | 12.87 | 12.19 |
| Fe ₂ O ₃ | 0.80 | 1.73 | 1.39 | 1.97 |
| FeO | 1.49 | 0.70 | 0.67 | 0.68 |
| MnO | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| MgO | 0.07 | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.01 |
| CaO | 0.59 | 0.32 | 0.19 | 0.09 |
| Na ₂ O | 3.54 | 3.36 | 1.93 | 1.00 |
| K ₂ O | 5.34 | 5.33 | 5.47 | 6.53 |
| P ₂ O ₅ | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.02 |
| Cr ₂ O ₃ | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.01 |
| H ₂ O ⁺ | 0.85 | 1.08 | 1.66 | 2.11 |
| H ₂ O ⁻ | 0.13 | 0.23 | 0.41 | 0.44 |
| TOTAL | 99.95 | 99.35 | 99.62 | 99.49 |
| Li | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 |
| Be | 6 | 6 | 4 | 3 |
| F | 1000 | 600 | 470 | 370 |
| V | <5 | <5 | <5 | 7 |
| Co | <5 | 6 | <5 | 6 |
| Ni | 7 | 17 | 5 | 22 |
| Cu | <5 | <5 | 12 | 39 |
| Zn | 10 | 10 | 13 | 15 |
| Rb | 436 | 571 | 575 | 630 |
| Sr | 96 | 94 | 68 | 50 |
| Y | 151 | 109 | 89 | 83 |
| Zr | 255 | 257 | 273 | 295 |
| Nb | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| Mo | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| Ba | 519 | 607 | 651 | 778 |
| Sn | 10 | 14 | 16 | 18 |
| W | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| Pb | 26 | 46 | 60 | 82 |
| Th | 25 | 32 | 32 | 33 |
| U | 14 | 16 | 16 | 17 |

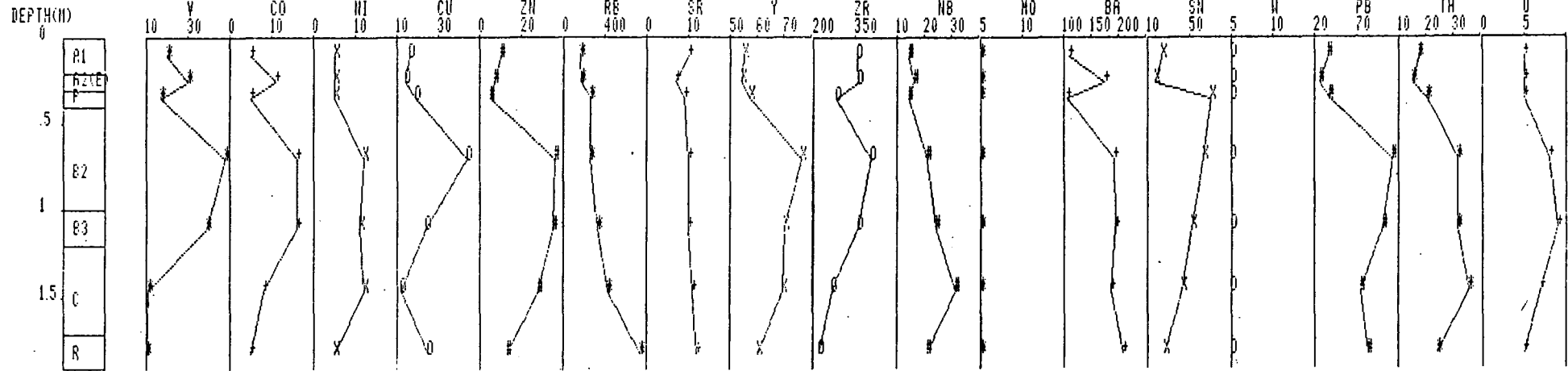
APPENDIX D: MAJOR ELEMENT DATA FOR PROFILES 9 AND 11.

| HORIZON ELEMENT | 9 | | | | | | | 11 | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-------|----------------|----------------|-------|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------|-------|-------|
| | A ₁ | A ₂ | P | B ₂ | B ₃ | C | R | A ₁ | A ₂ | A ₃ | B ₁ | B ₂ | P | C | R |
| SiO ₂ | 90.94 | 87.29 | 81.37 | 73.87 | 75.28 | 79.00 | 74.47 | 88.43 | 87.83 | 79.92 | 78.73 | 74.99 | 66.57 | 66.64 | 74.01 |
| TiO ₂ | 0.23 | 0.24 | 0.29 | 0.27 | 0.24 | 0.14 | 0.09 | 0.28 | 0.23 | 0.39 | 0.29 | 0.45 | 0.43 | 0.33 | 0.28 |
| Al ₂ O ₃ | 3.76 | 5.50 | 7.80 | 12.69 | 14.20 | 12.94 | 11.78 | 4.45 | 5.13 | 9.67 | 10.78 | 12.87 | 12.78 | 15.19 | 12.87 |
| Fe ₂ O ₃ | 0.01 | 0.94 | 3.72 | 4.60 | 3.60 | 3.10 | 2.72 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 1.24 | 1.66 | 2.81 | 10.03 | 2.38 | 1.09 |
| FeO | 1.50 | 1.83 | 1.47 | 1.81 | 1.10 | 1.03 | 1.06 | 1.48 | 1.53 | 1.58 | 1.50 | 1.12 | 1.47 | 1.49 | 1.49 |
| MnO | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.02 |
| MgO | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.16 | 0.16 | 0.08 | 0.12 | 0.04 | 0.02 | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.10 | 0.01 | 0.10 | 0.09 |
| CaO | 0.05 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.25 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.03 | 0.20 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.53 |
| Na ₂ O | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 1.68 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 3.52 |
| K ₂ O | 0.58 | 0.68 | 1.57 | 1.46 | 1.72 | 1.50 | 5.43 | 1.44 | 1.51 | 1.55 | 1.45 | 1.69 | 1.43 | 2.99 | 5.14 |
| P ₂ O ₅ | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.04 | 0.03 |
| Cr ₂ O ₃ | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.06 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.01 | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.02 | 0.01 |
| H ₂ O + | 1.78 | 2.38 | 2.77 | 3.64 | 3.22 | 1.76 | 1.14 | 1.91 | 2.00 | 3.66 | 4.00 | 4.52 | 5.36 | 4.47 | 0.85 |
| H ₂ O- | 0.20 | 0.39 | 0.46 | 0.74 | 0.30 | 0.16 | 1.10 | 0.38 | 0.39 | 0.57 | 0.70 | 0.81 | 1.26 | 5.37 | 0.04 |
| CO ₂ | 0.48 | 0.22 | 0.15 | 0.23 | 0.06 | 0.03 | - | 0.64 | 0.46 | 0.30 | 0.26 | 0.12 | 0.11 | 0.05 | - |
| TOTAL | 99.63 | 99.63 | 99.81 | 99.59 | 100.00 | 99.86 | 99.88 | 99.20 | 99.27 | 99.05 | 99.76 | 99.58 | 99.69 | 99.15 | 99.97 |

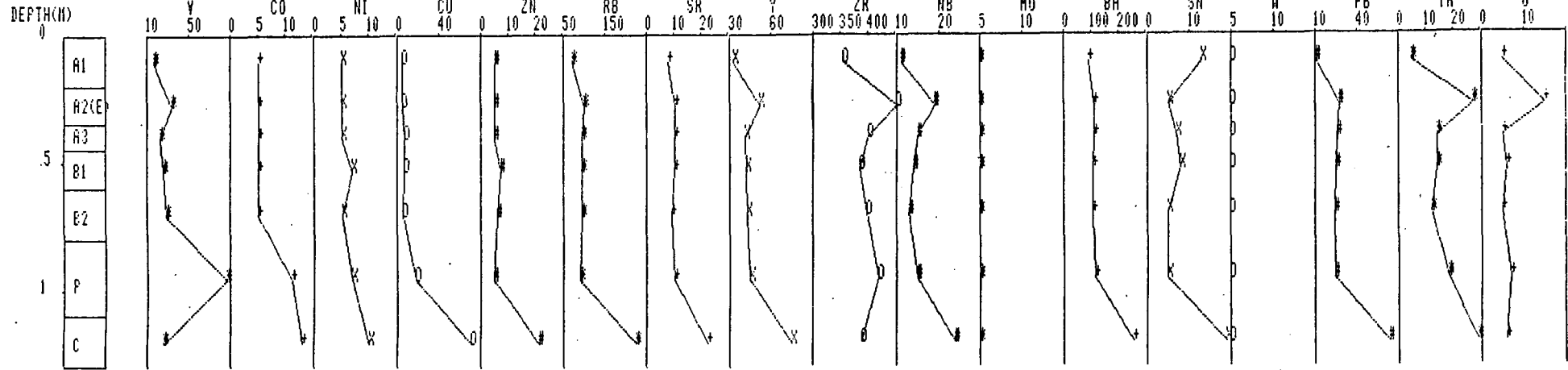
APPENDIX E: THE TRACE ELEMENT DISPERSION PATTERNS IN 32 SOIL
PROFILES (bulk samples).

APPENDIX E: (CONTINUED)

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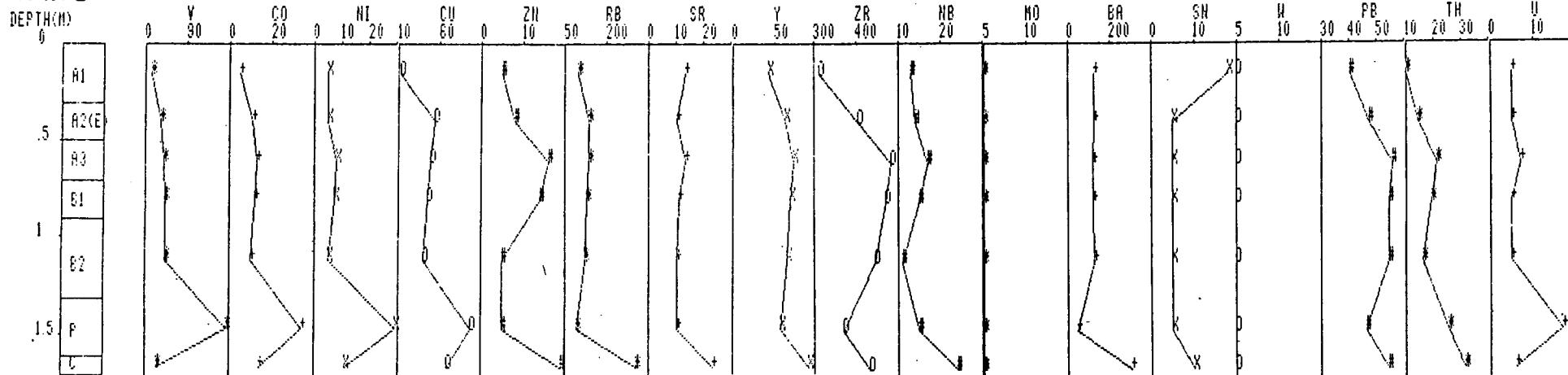


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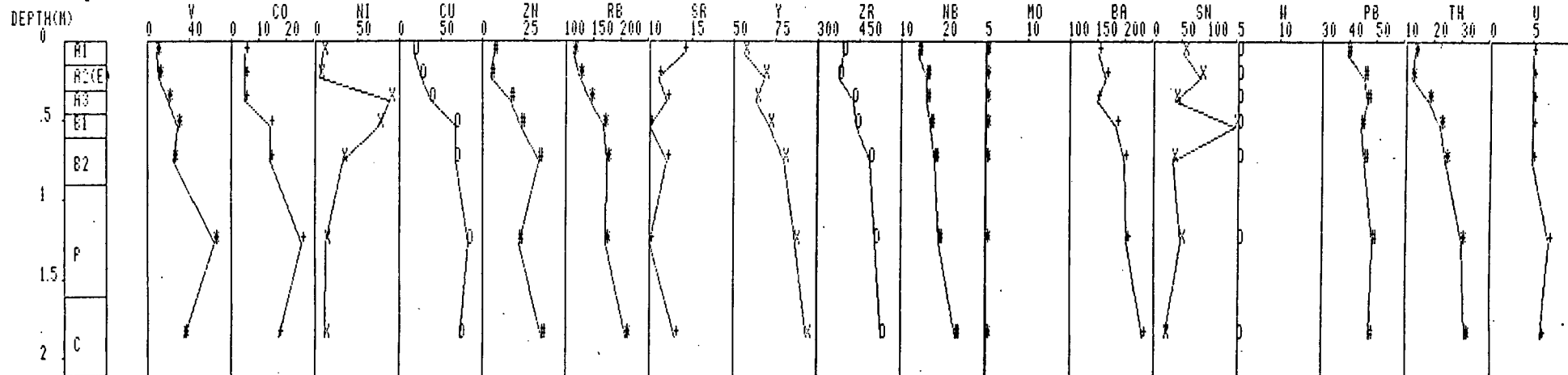


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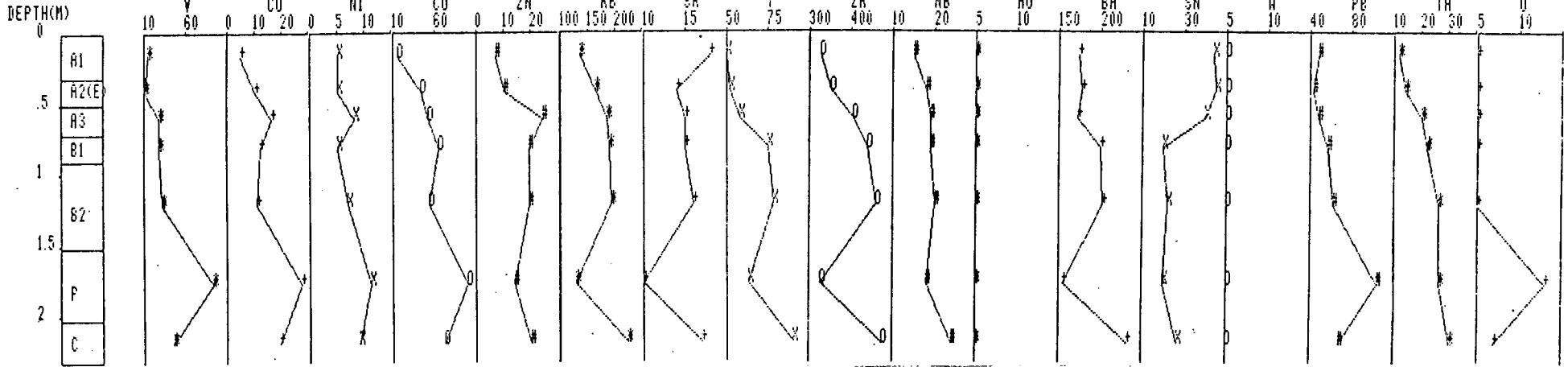


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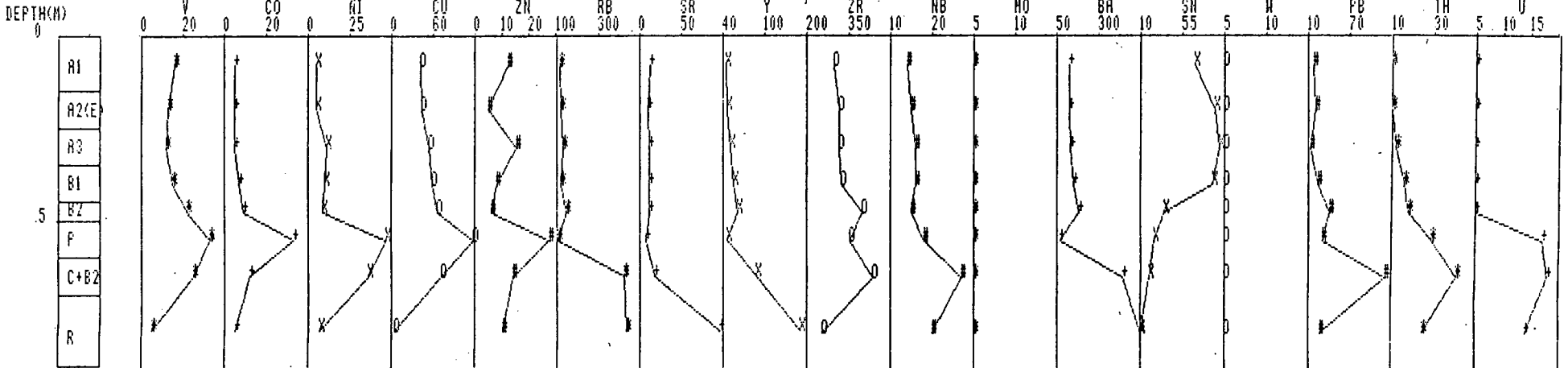


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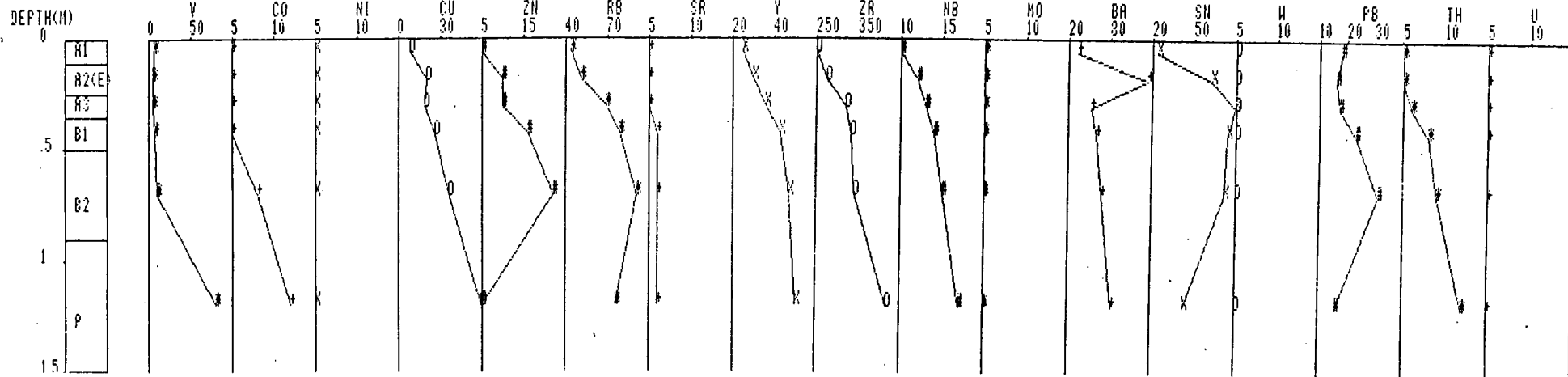


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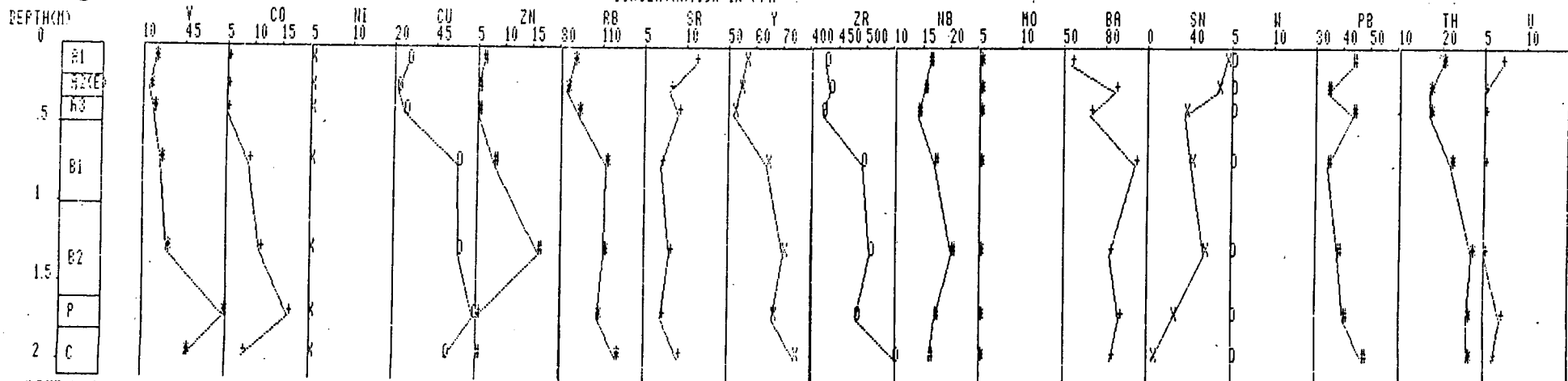


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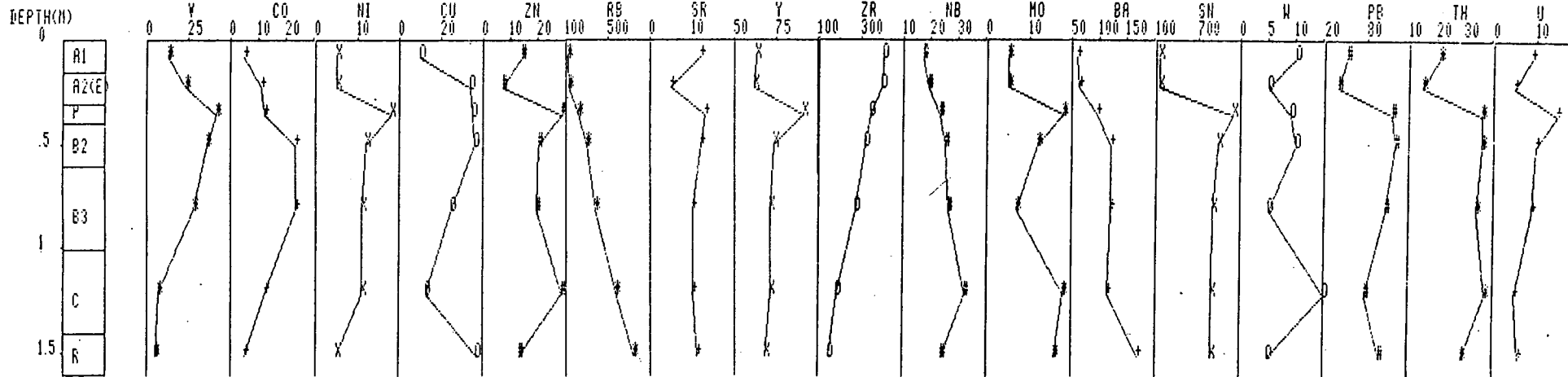


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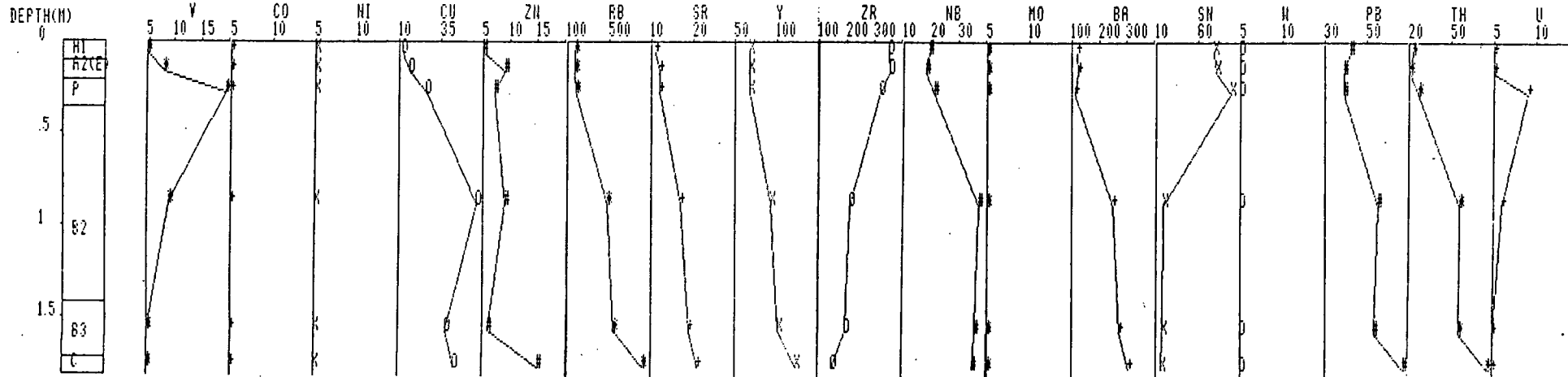


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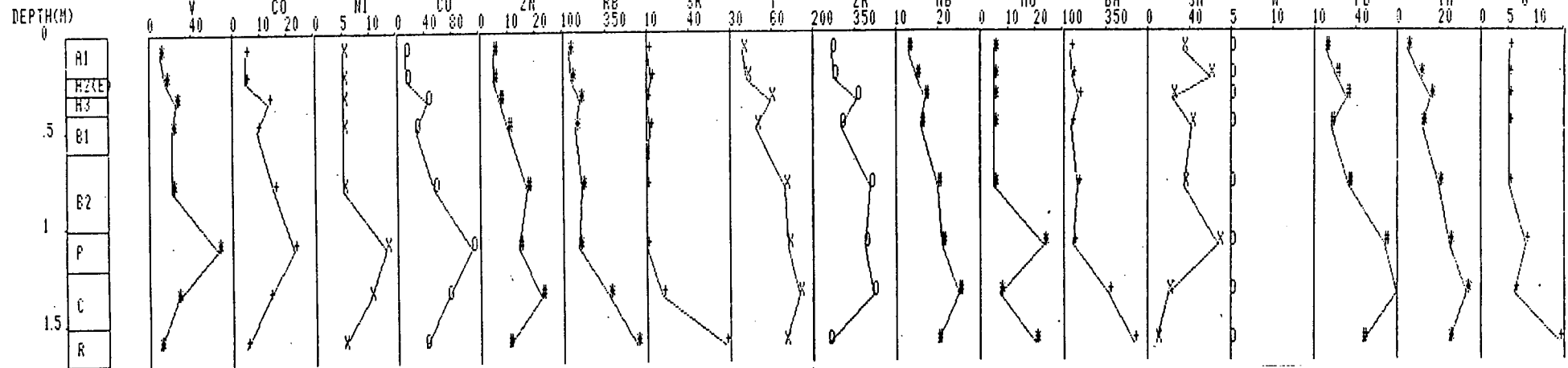


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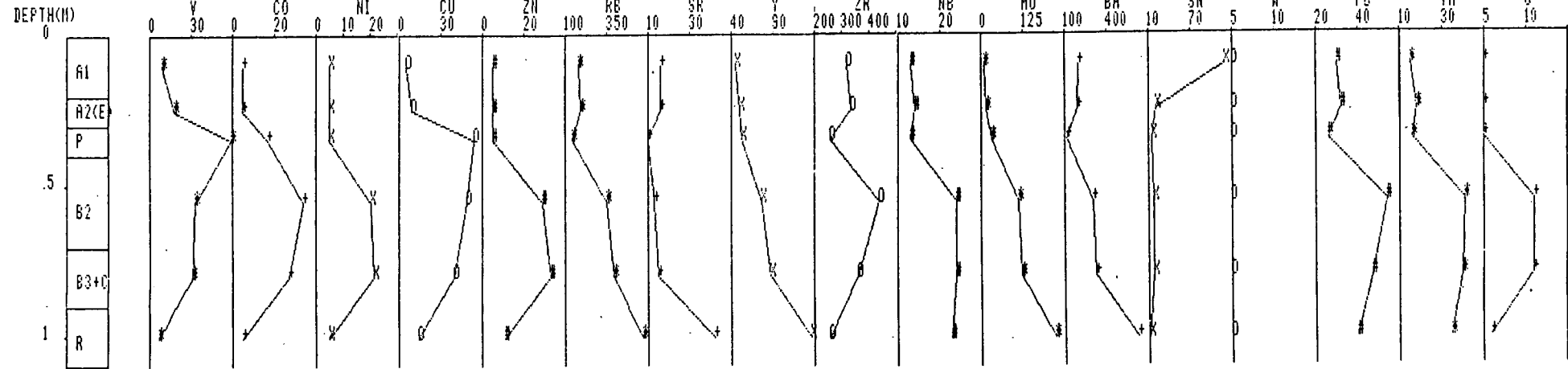


APPENDIX E: (CONTINUED)

PROFILE 11



PROFILE 12

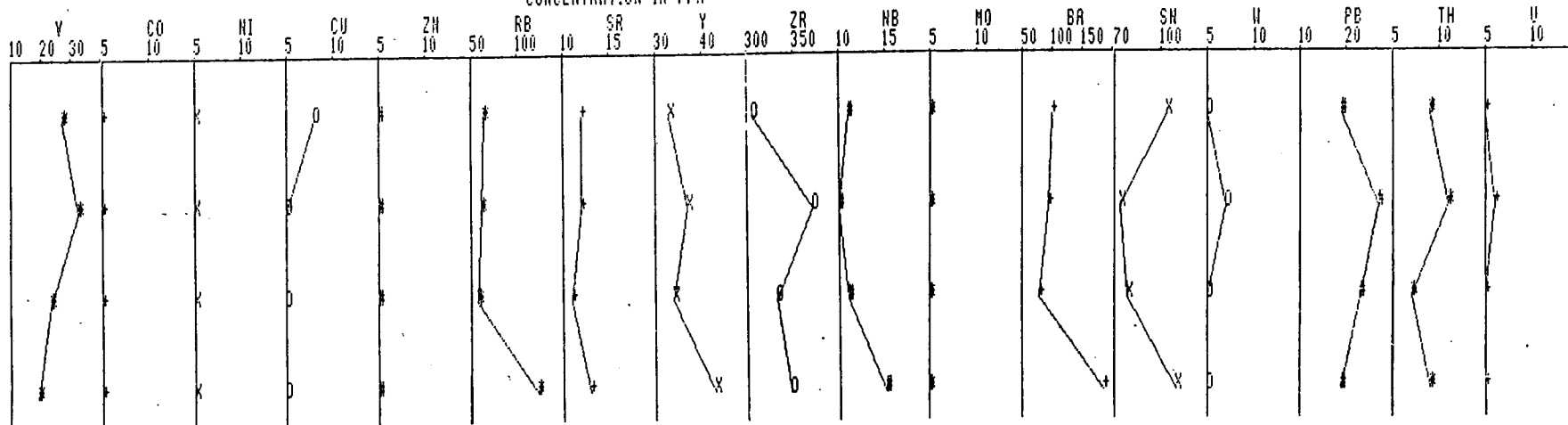


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CONCENTRATION IN PPM

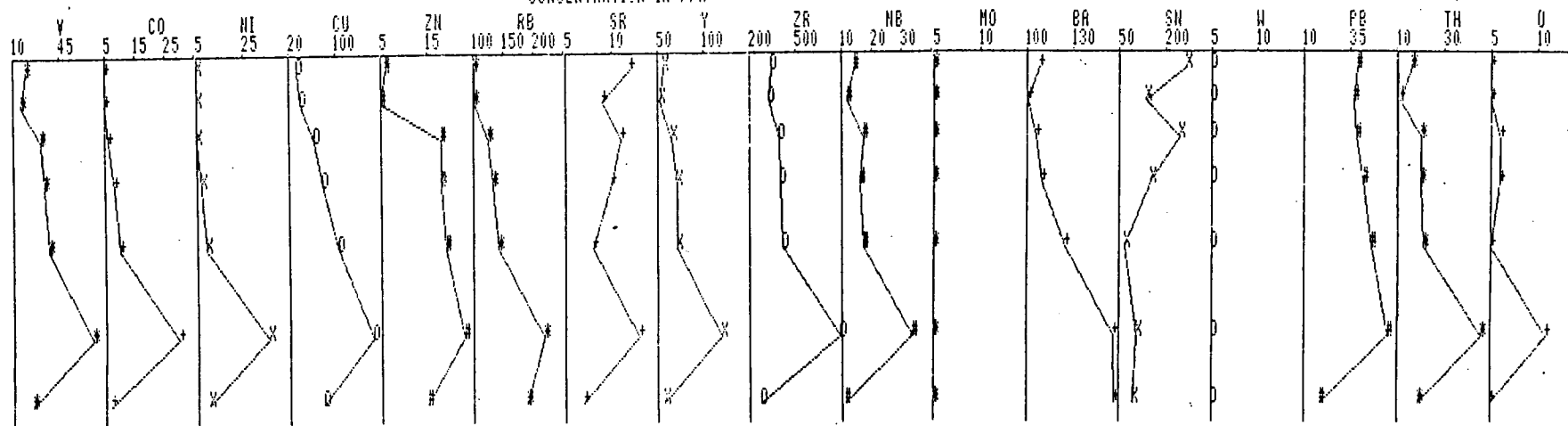
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R1
R2(E)
SAND
.5
CLAY



PROFILE 14
DEPTH(KM)

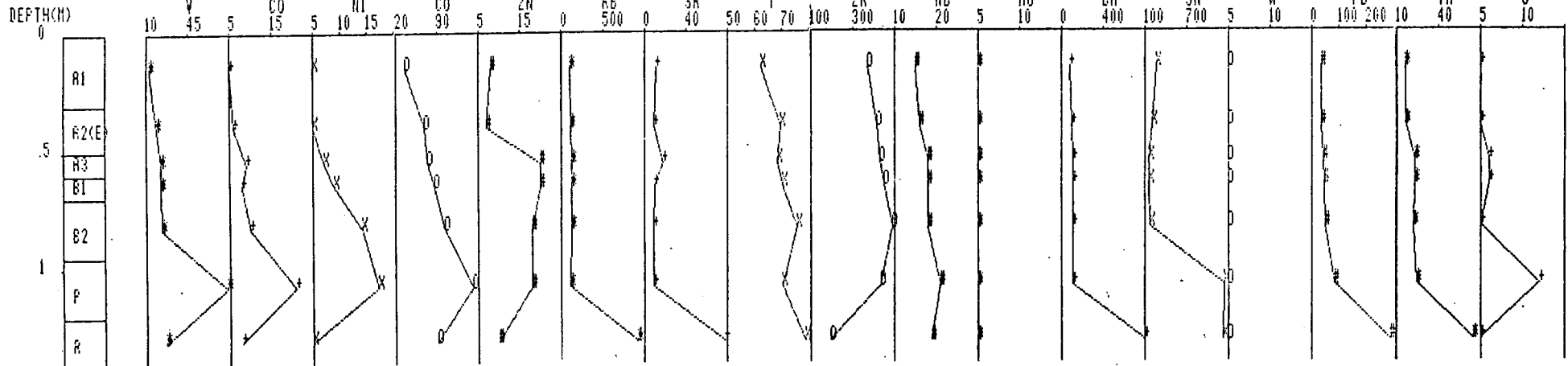
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R1
R2(E)
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R3
E1
1
R2
1.5
P
C

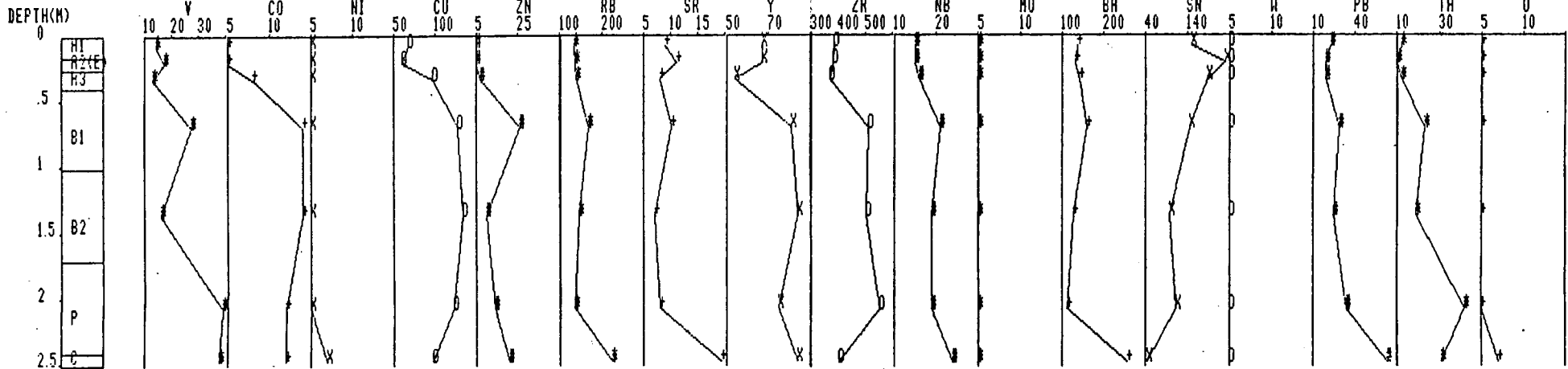


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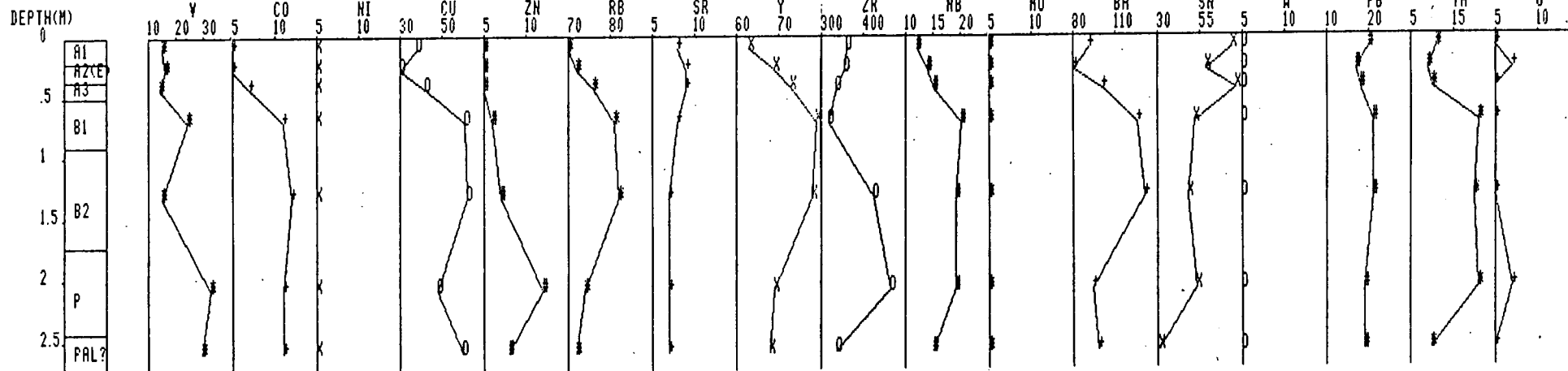


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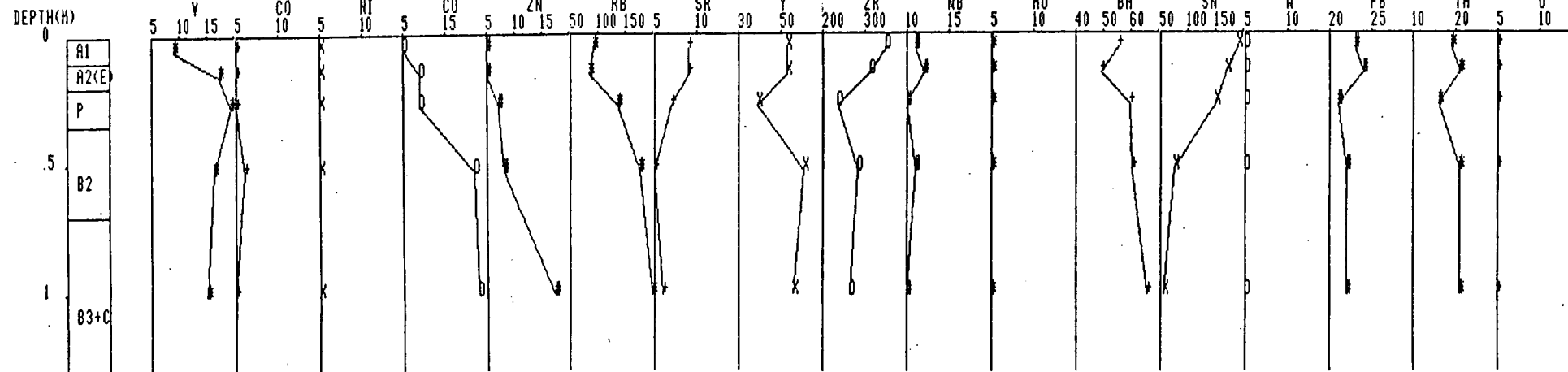


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PROFILE 17



PROFILE 18

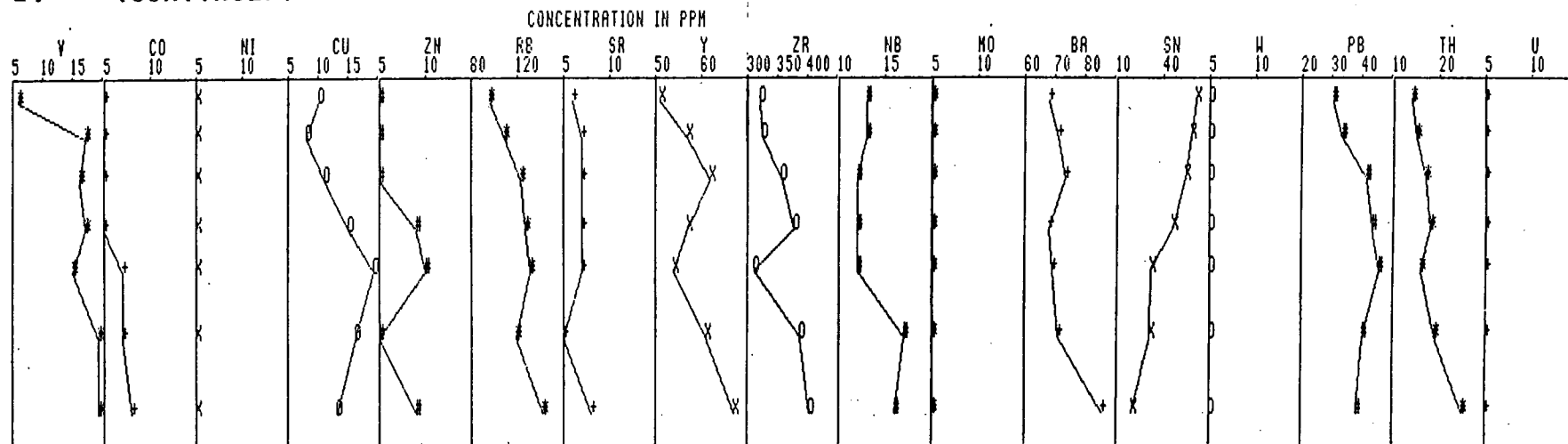


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PROFILE 19

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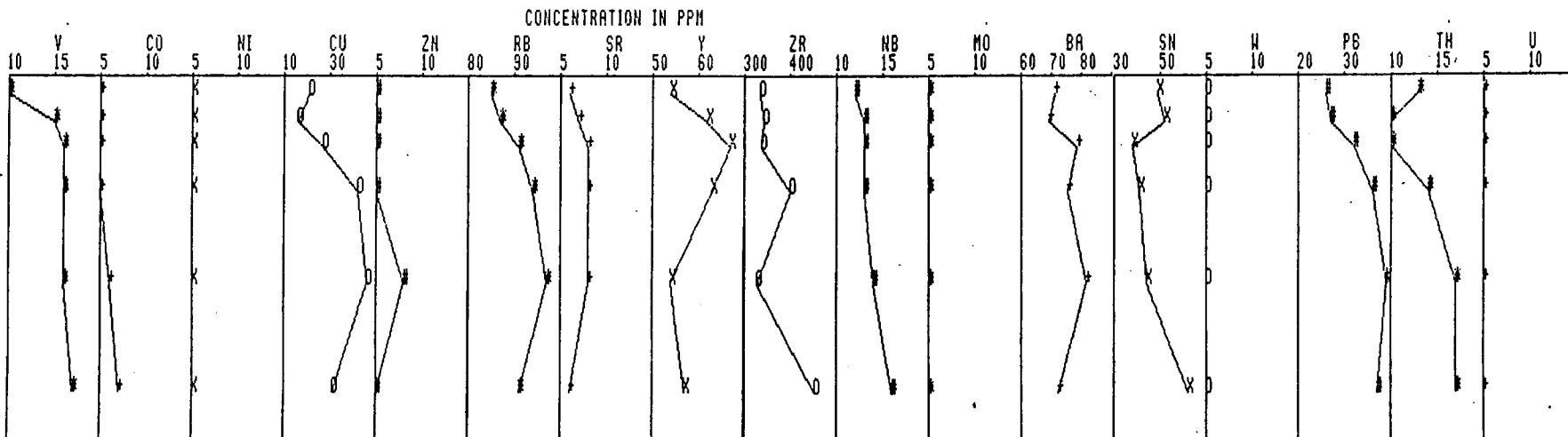
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|-------|
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| A1 |
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| B2 |
| P |
| 1.5 |
| C |



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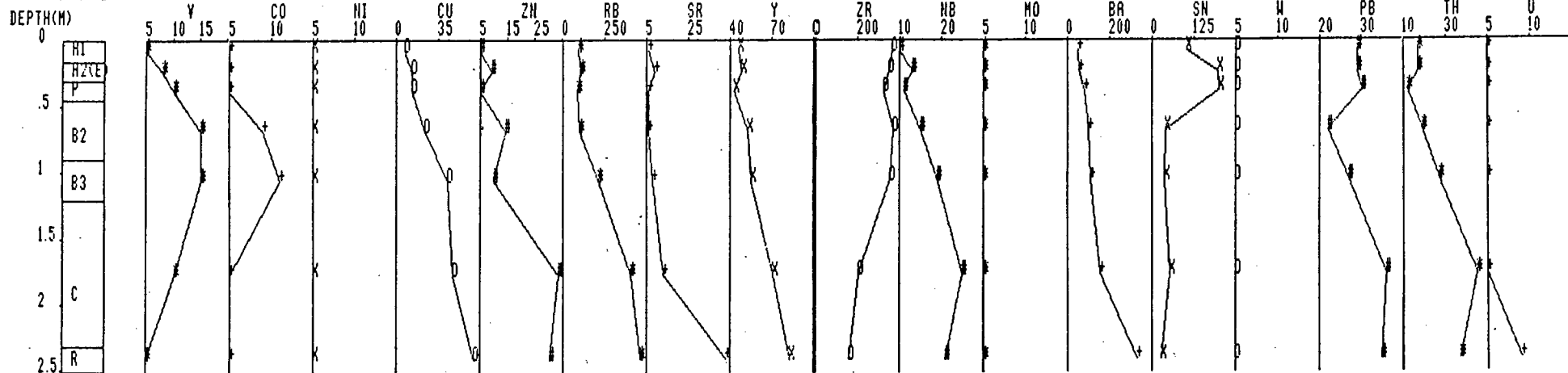
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| B2 |
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| P |
| 2 |

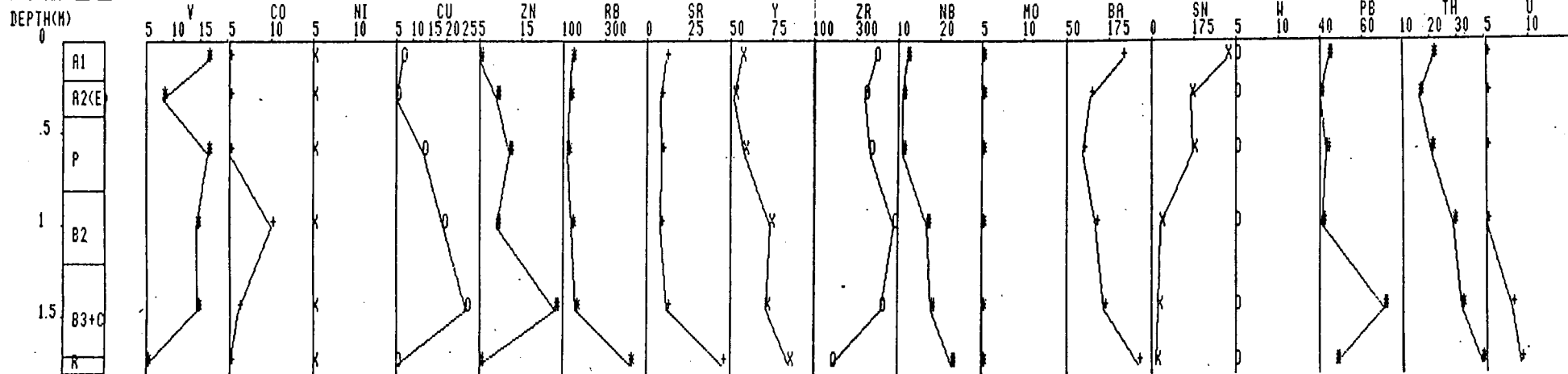


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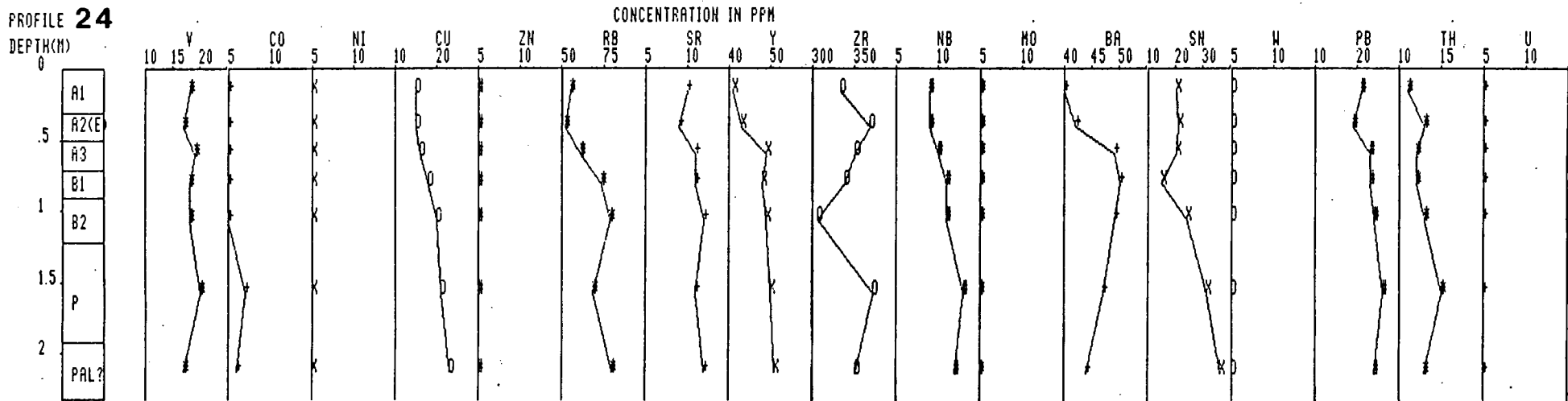
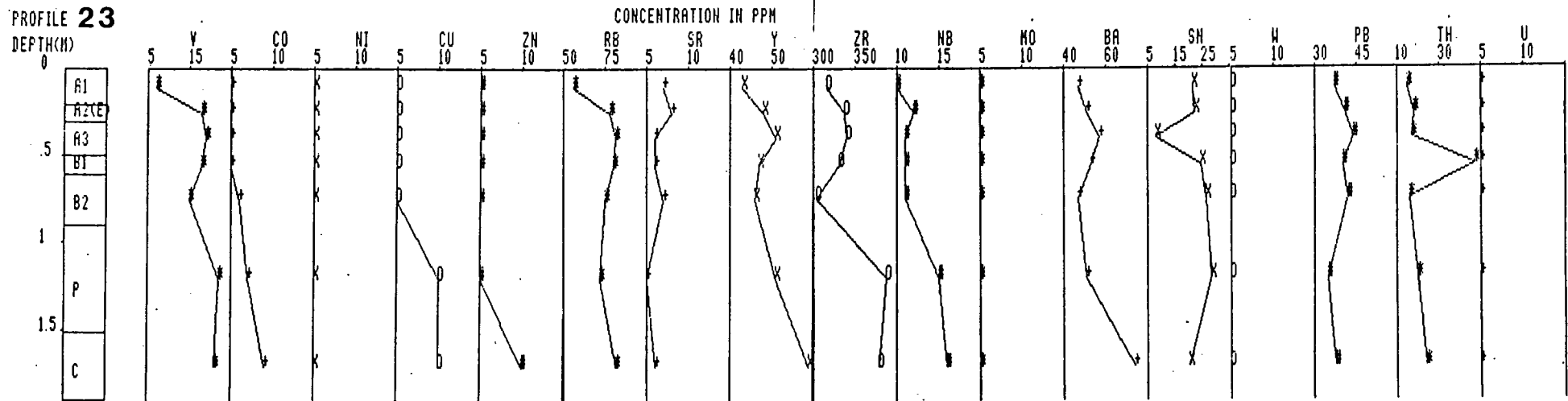
PROFILE 21



PROFILE 22

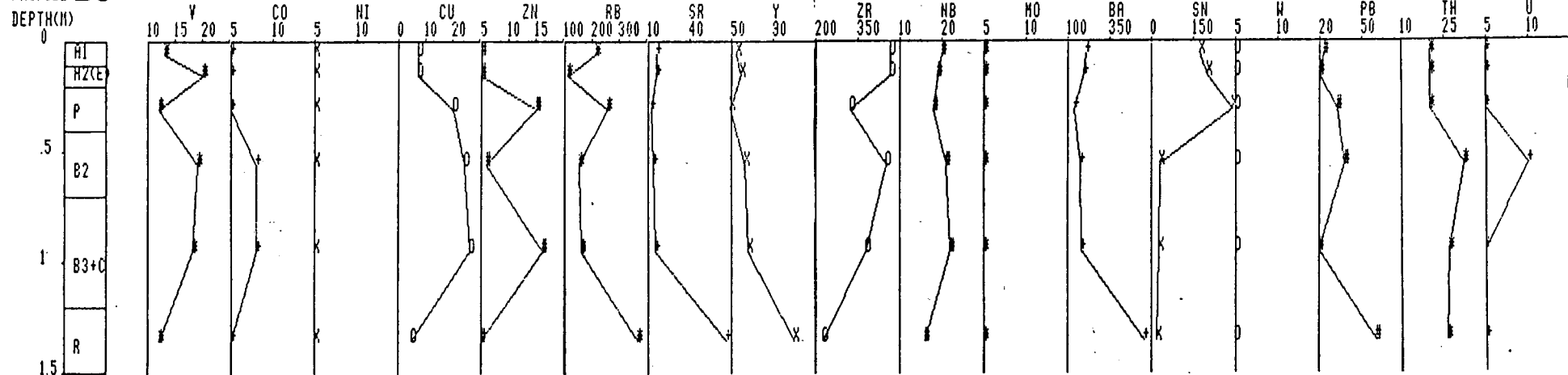


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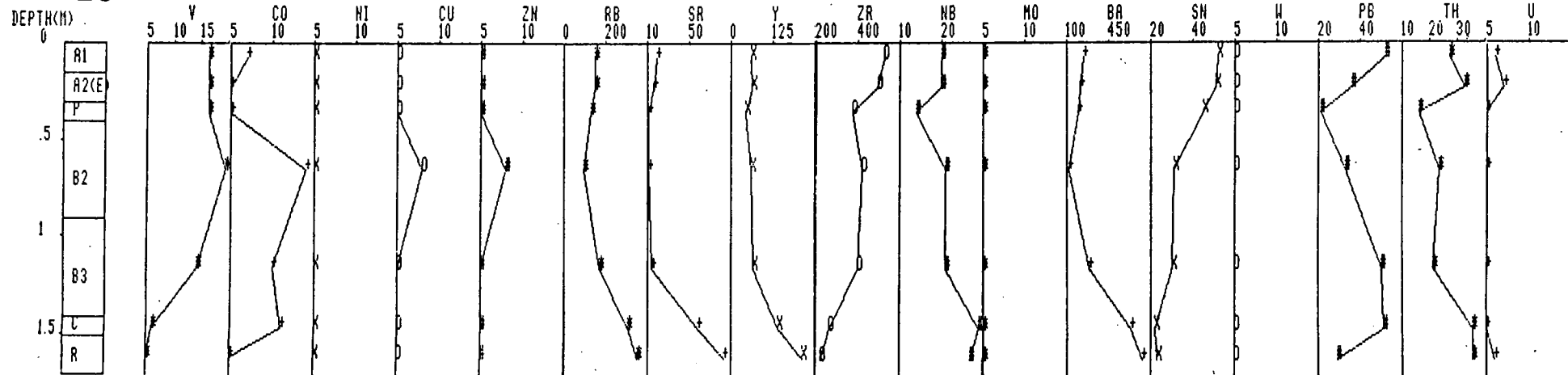


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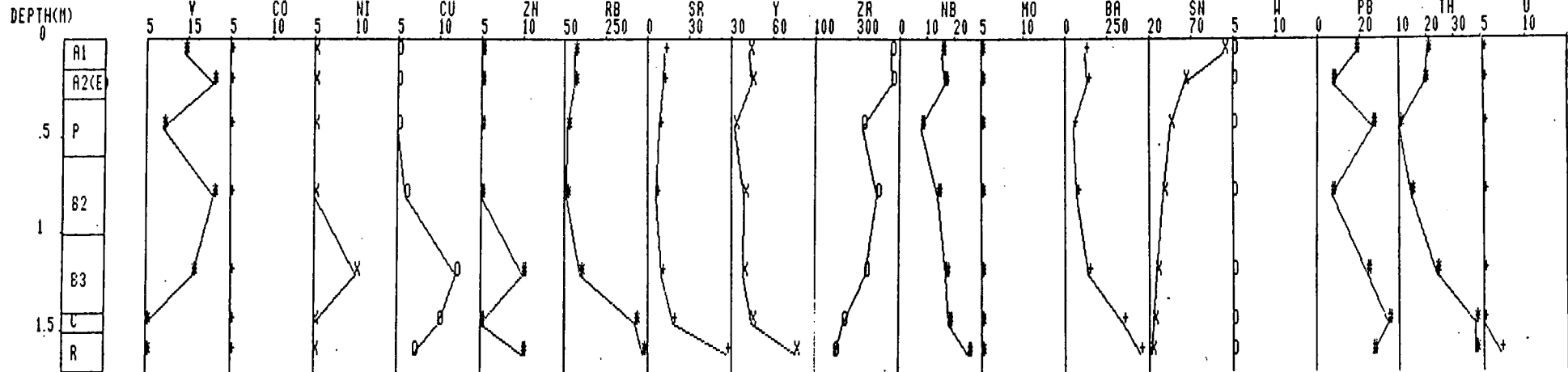


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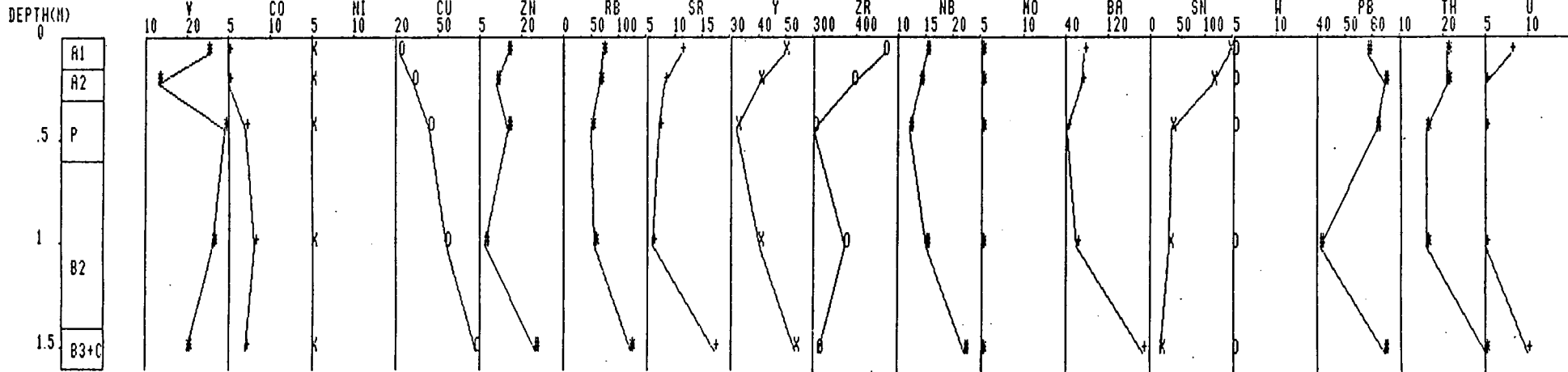


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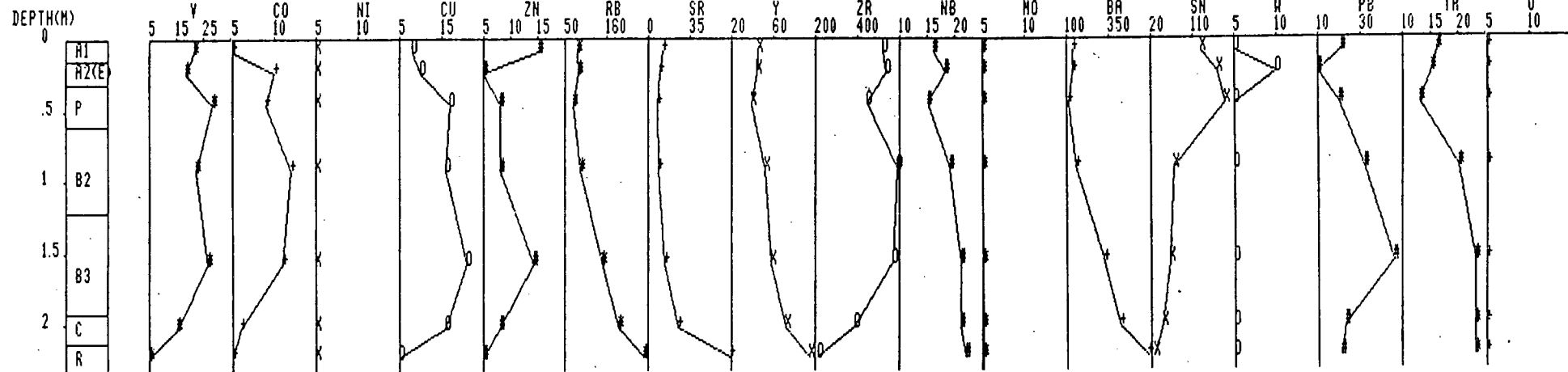


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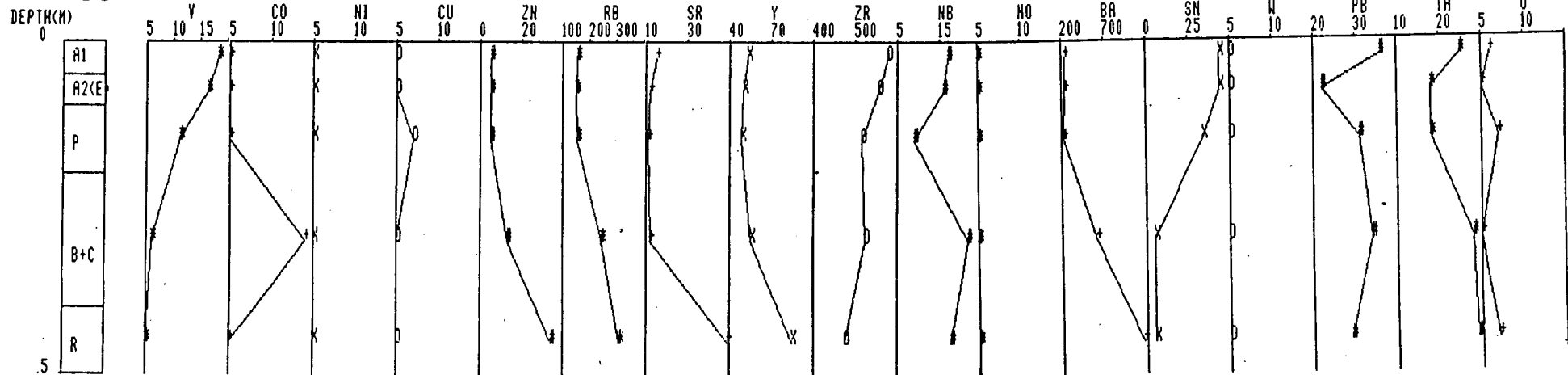


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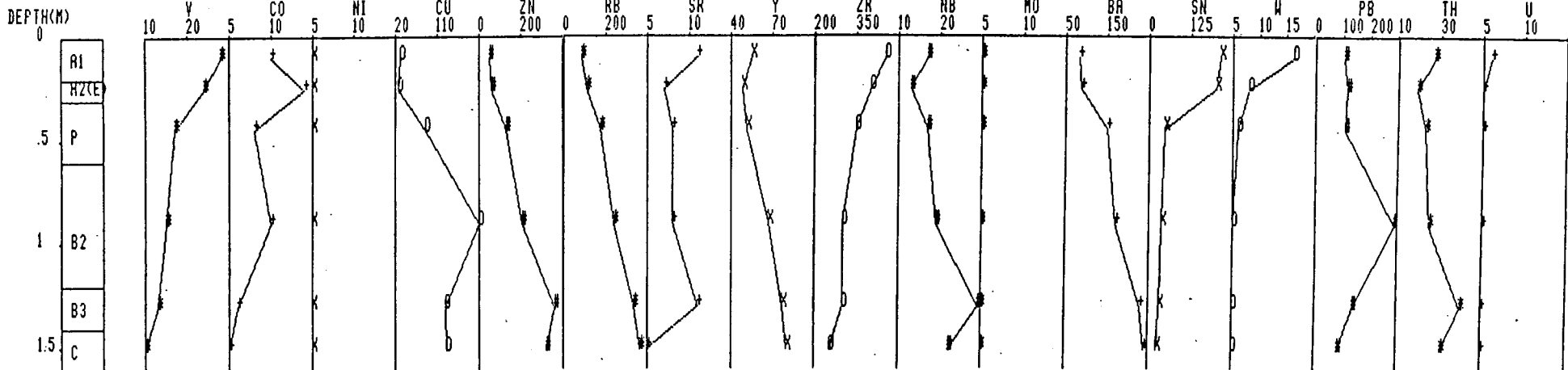


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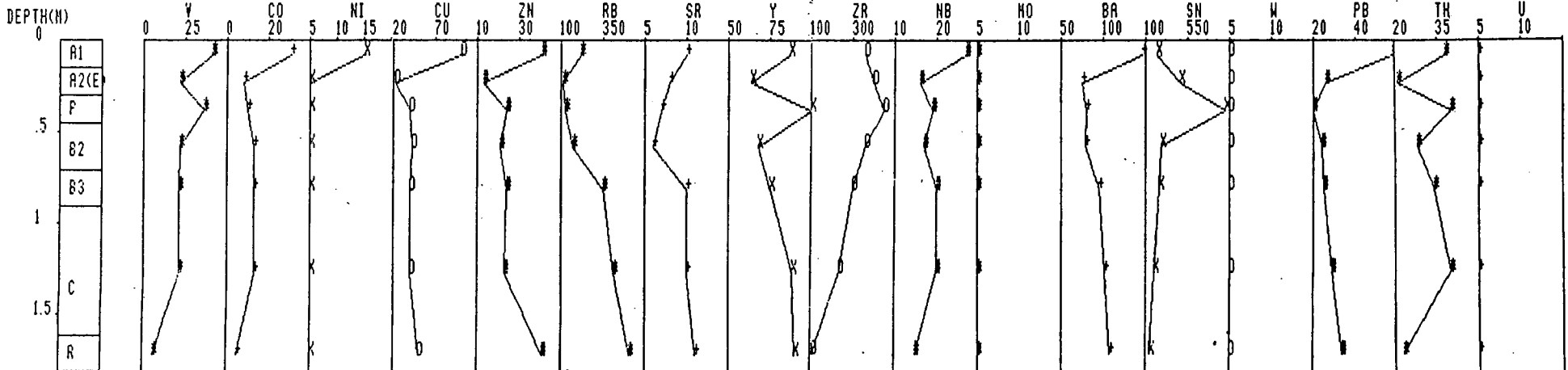


APPENDIX E: (CONTINUED)

PROFILE 31



PROFILE 32



APPENDIX F: CORRELATION DIAGRAMS INDICATING THE Fe/Cu RELATION-
SHIPS IN THE SIZE FRACTIONS OF EACH HORIZON.

NB !! - THE SAMPLES ON THE RIGHT HAND SIDE OF THE BROKEN LINE ARE KNOWN TO BE ANOMALOUS AND THEREFORE NOT TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION FOR THE CALCULATION OF THE MEAN, STANDARD DEVIATION ETC.

(Fe = TOTAL Fe AS Fe₂O₃)

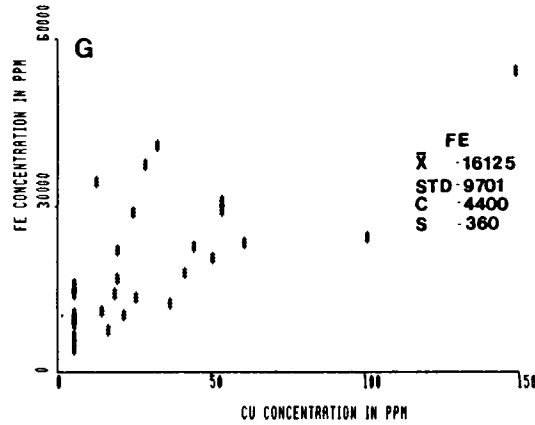
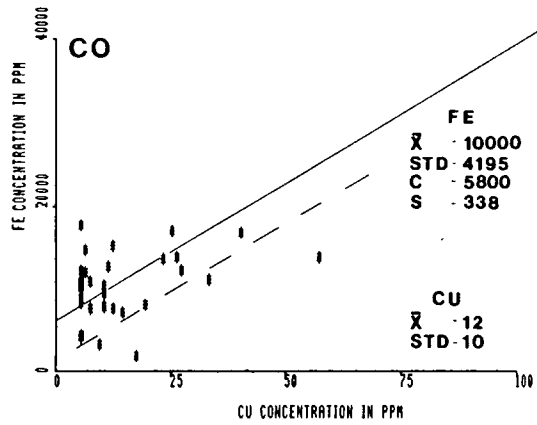
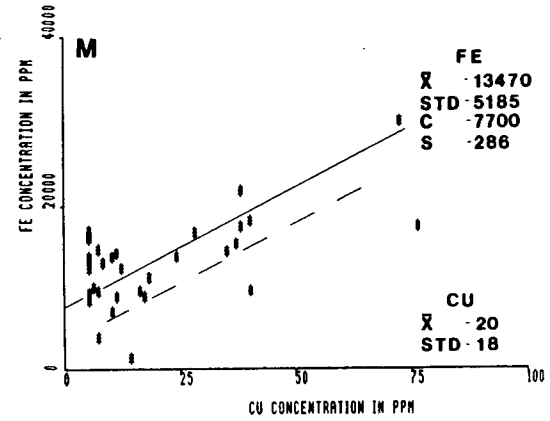
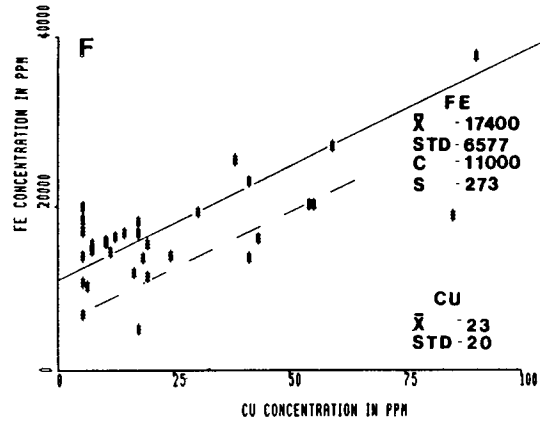
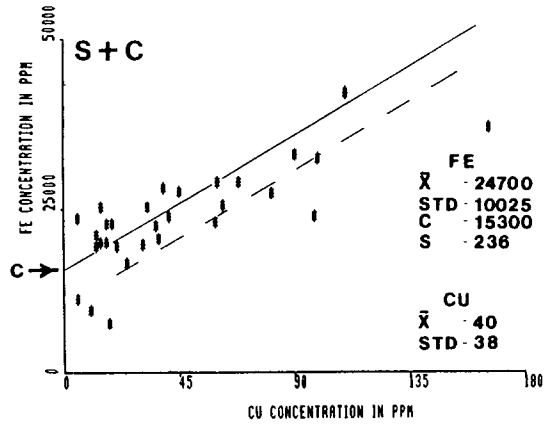
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X = MEAN
 STD = STANDARD DEVIATION
 C = CUT OFF POINT
 S = SORPTIVE CAPACITY OF Fe FOR CU
 (Fe/Cu RATIO ABOVE THE CUT OFF POINT)

S+C = SILT PLUS CLAY FRACTION
 F = FINE SAND FRACTION
 M = MEDIUM SAND FRACTION
 CO = COARSE SAND FRACTION
 G = GRAVEL FRACTION

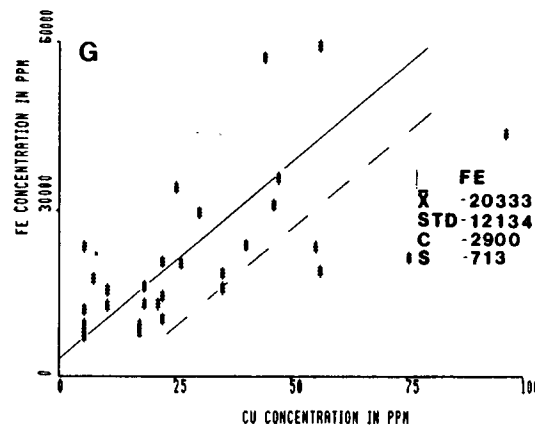
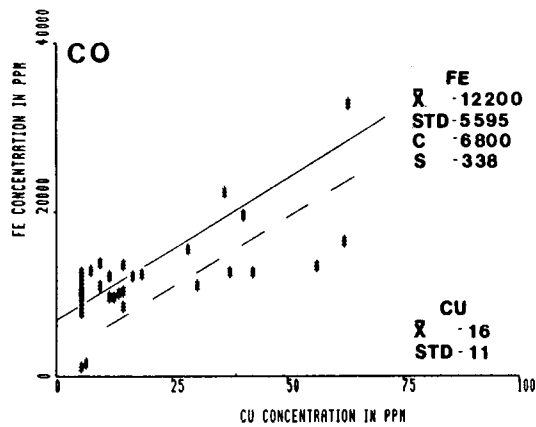
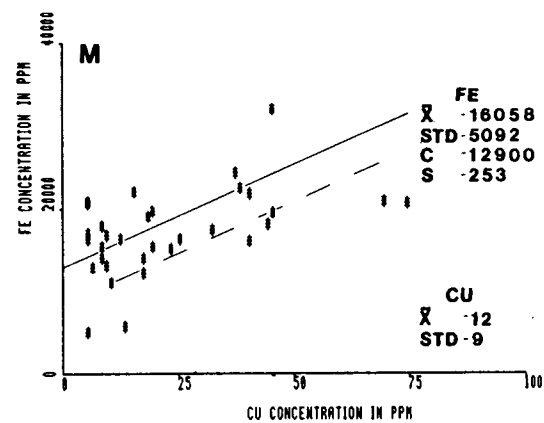
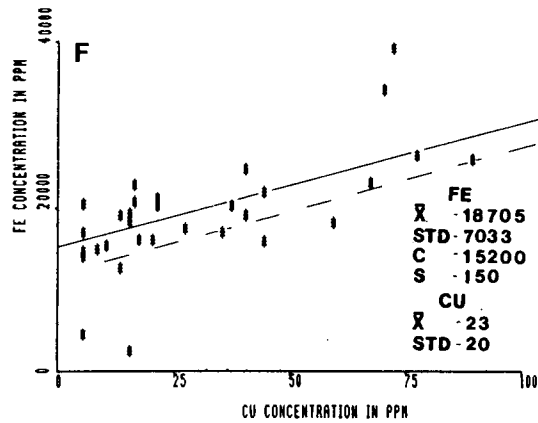
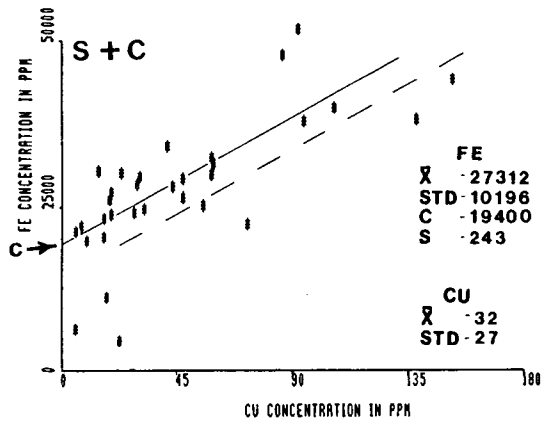
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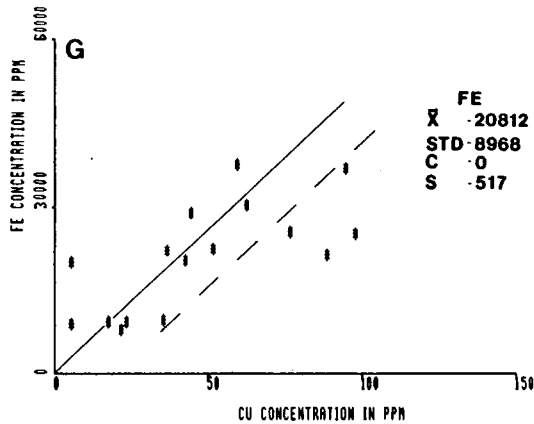
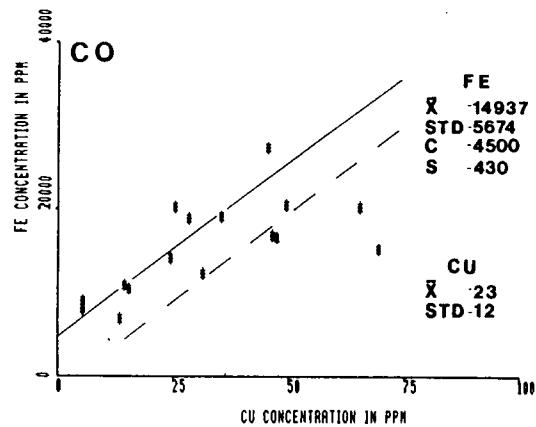
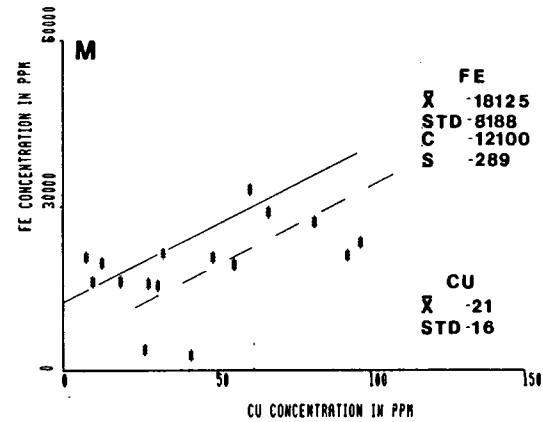
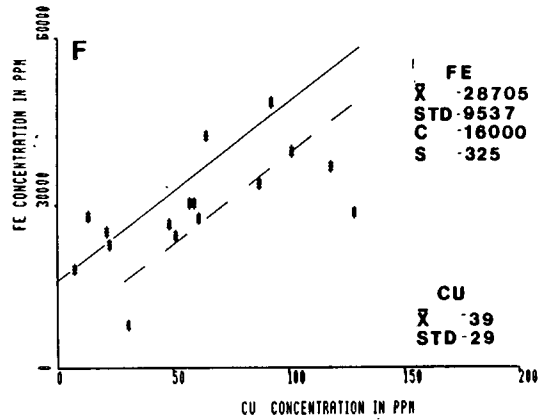
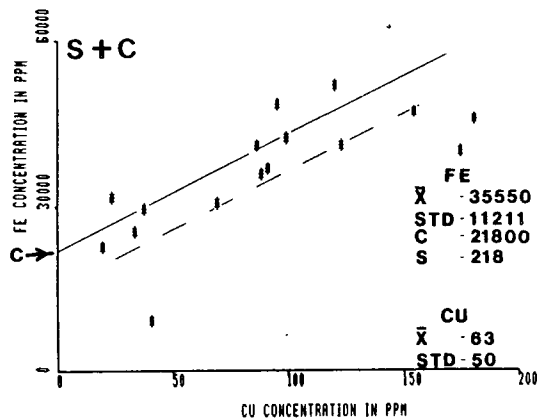
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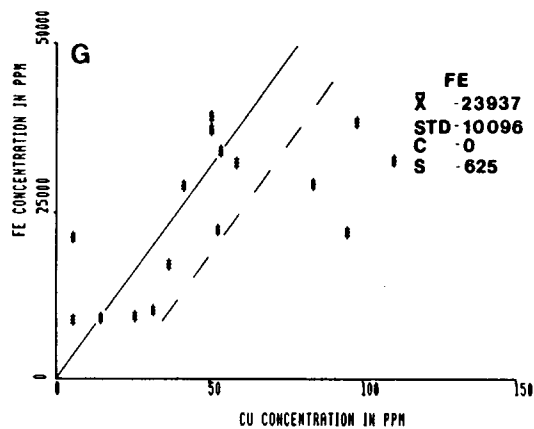
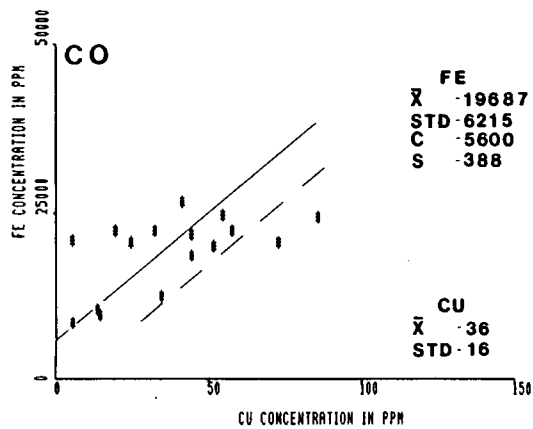
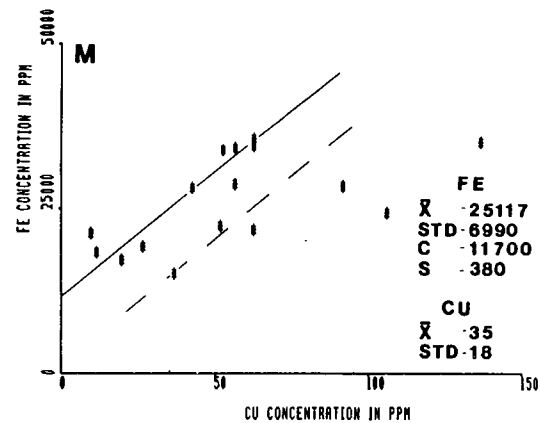
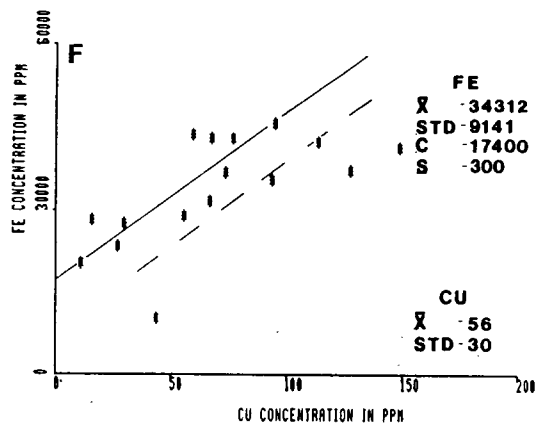
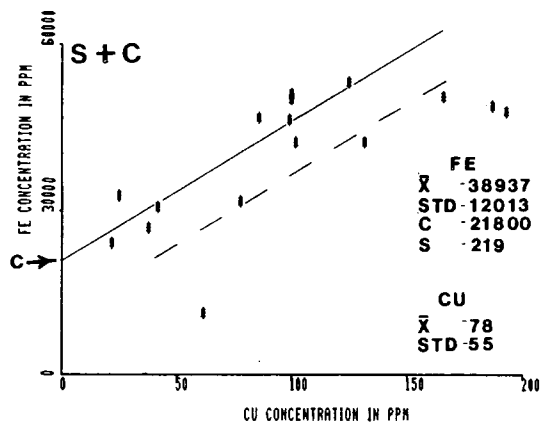
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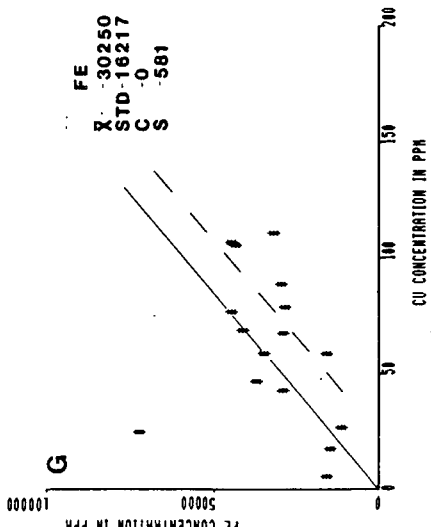
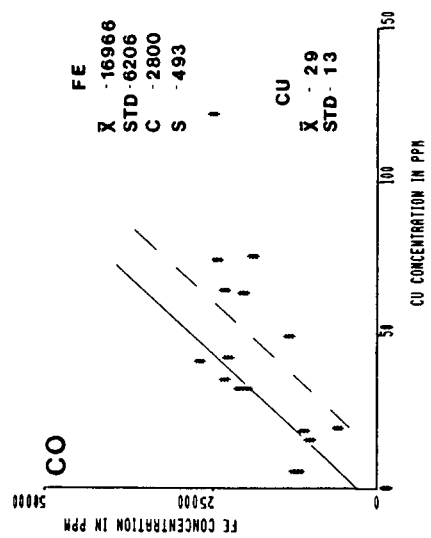
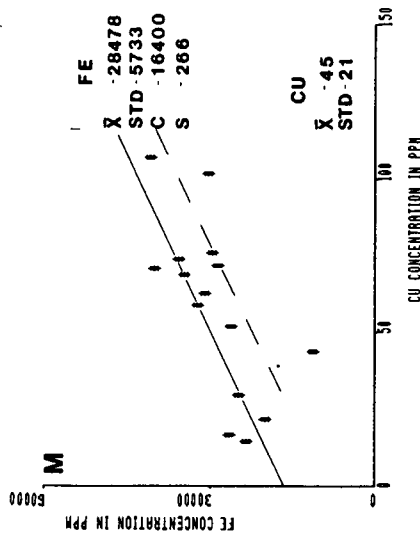
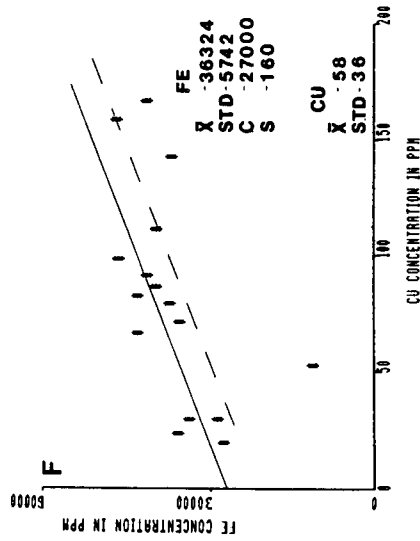
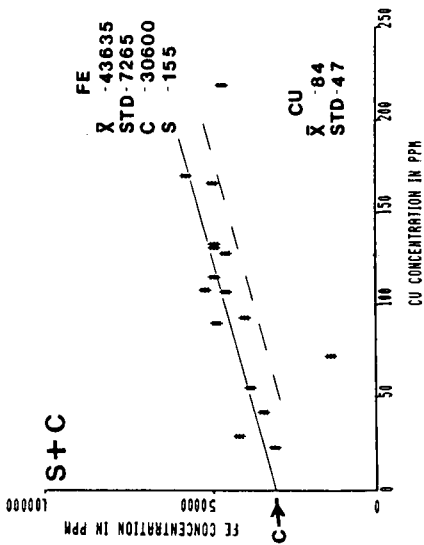
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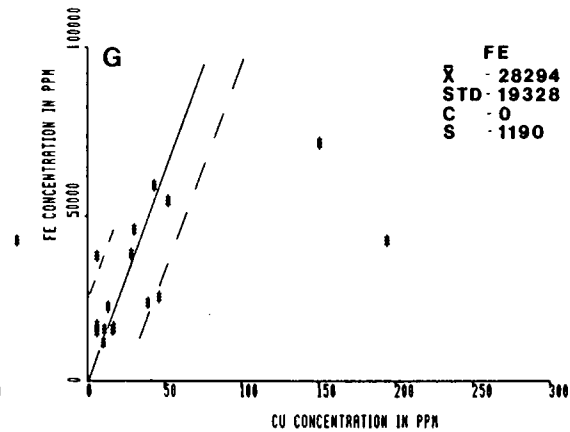
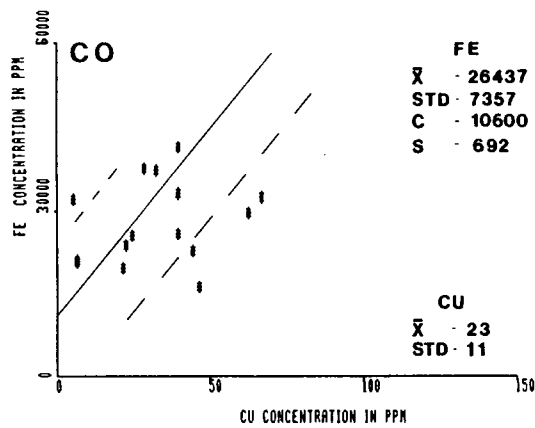
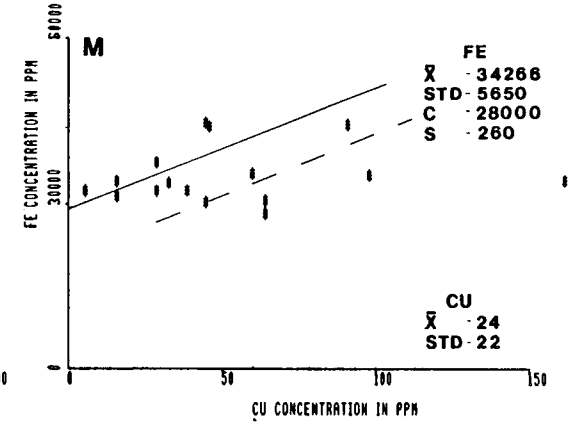
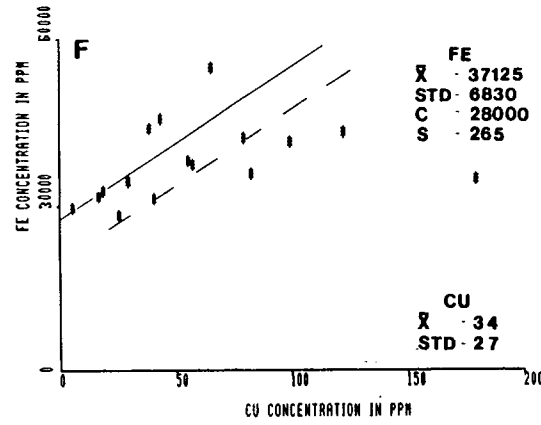
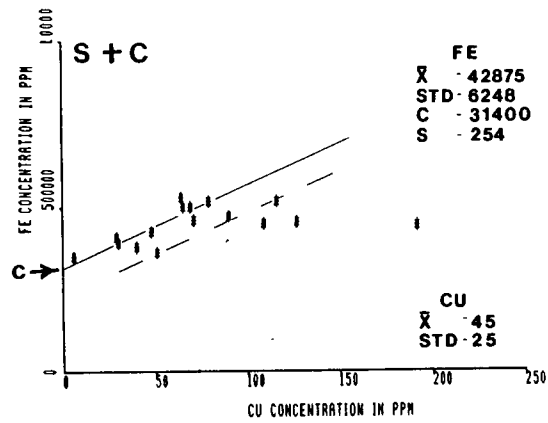
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B₂(T)



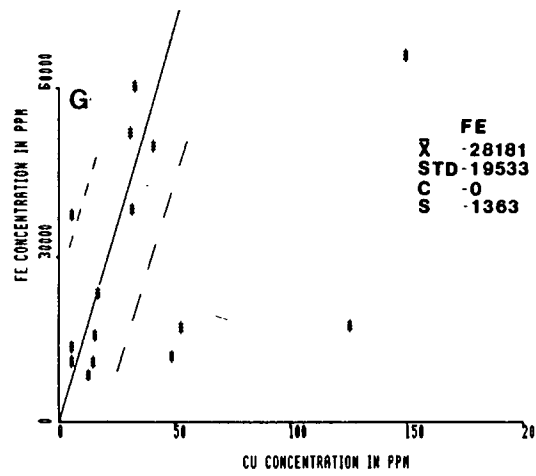
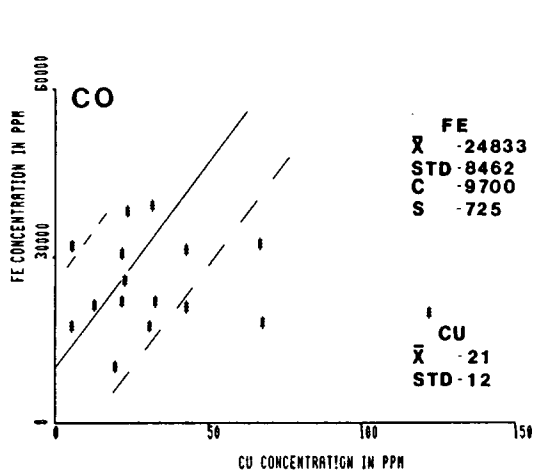
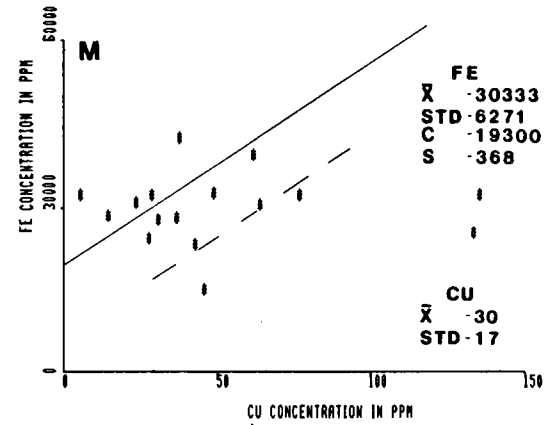
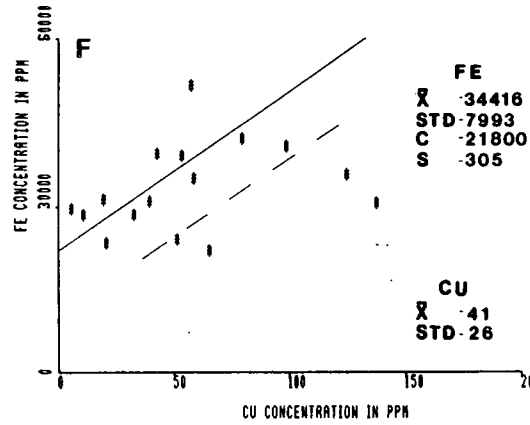
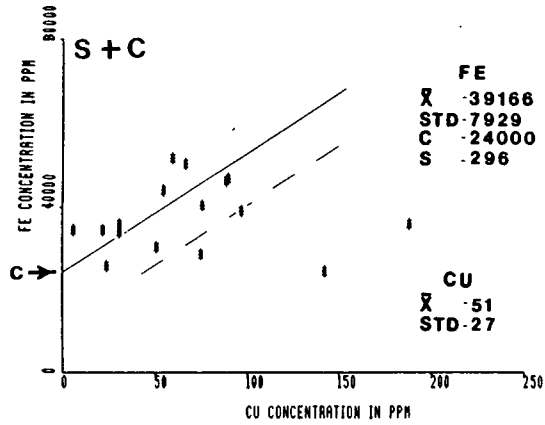
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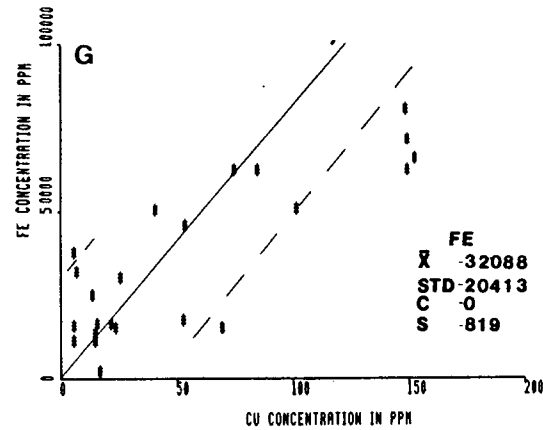
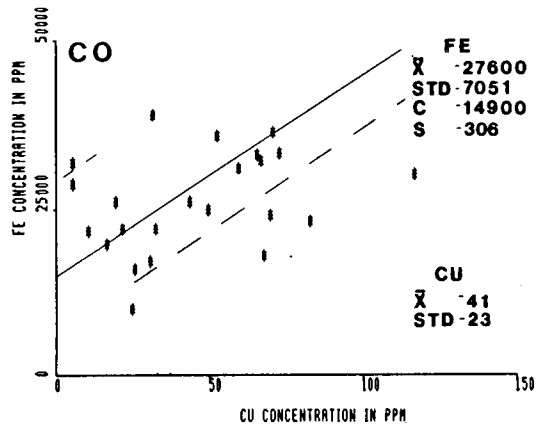
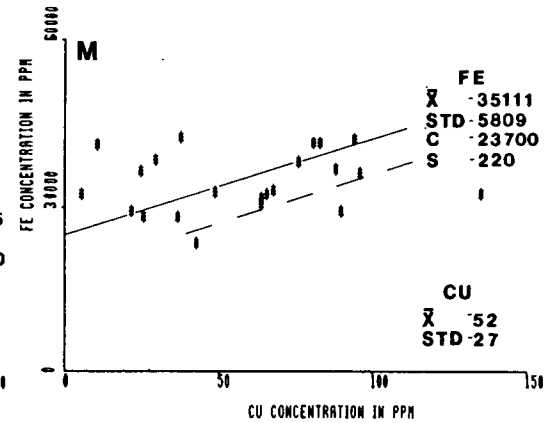
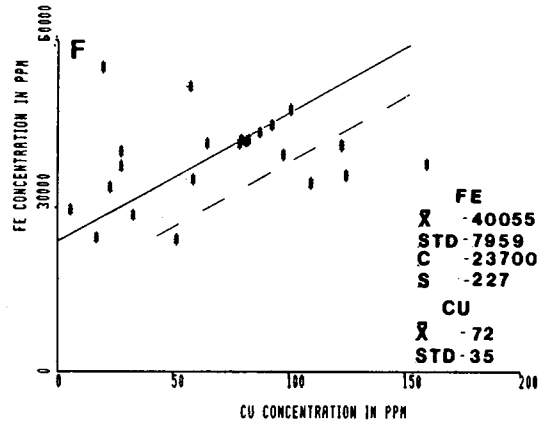
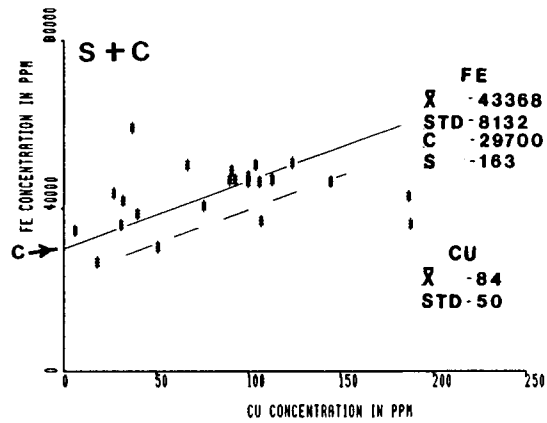
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B₃



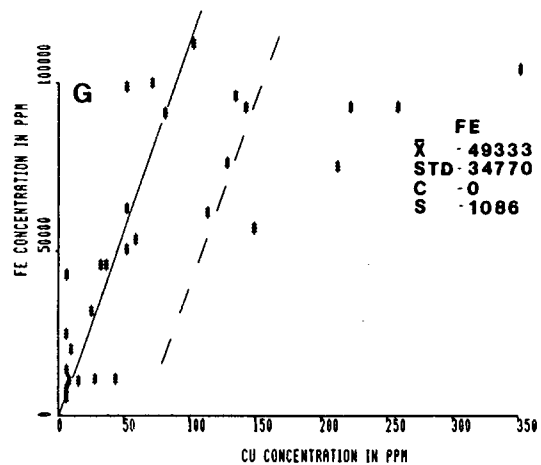
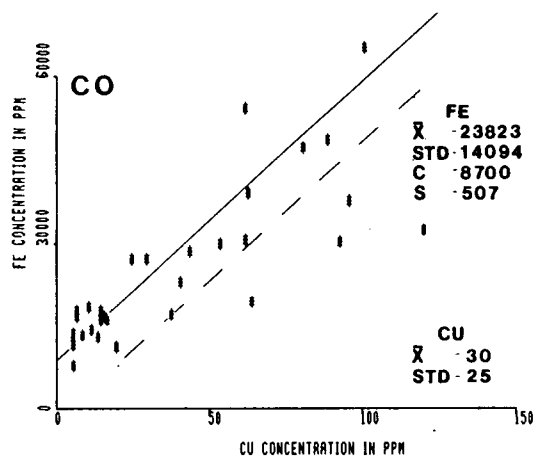
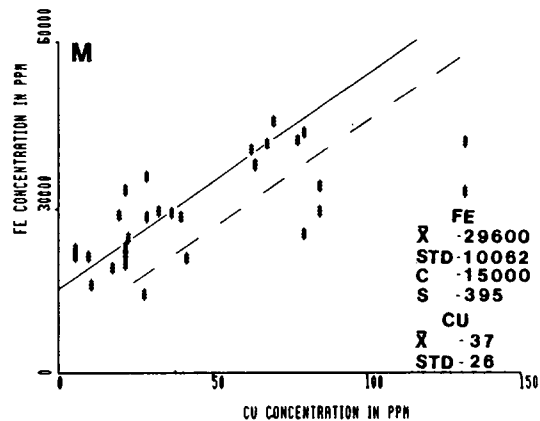
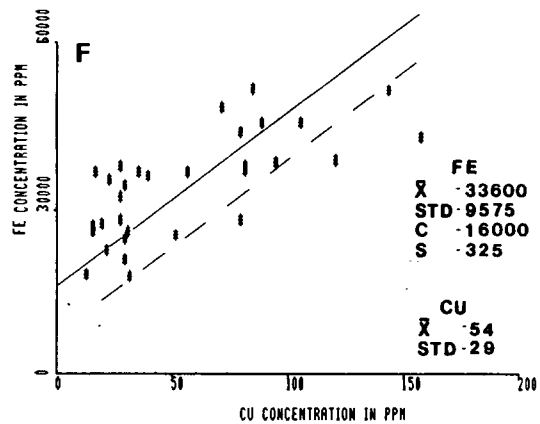
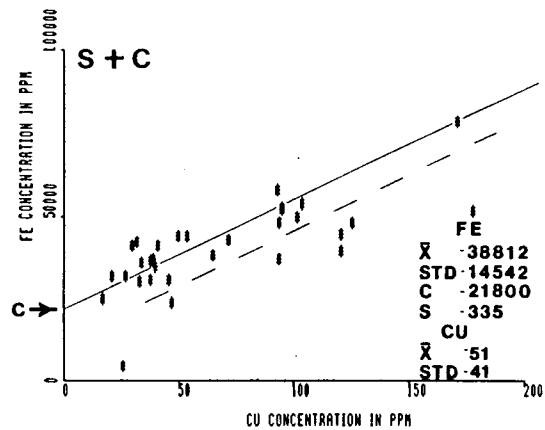
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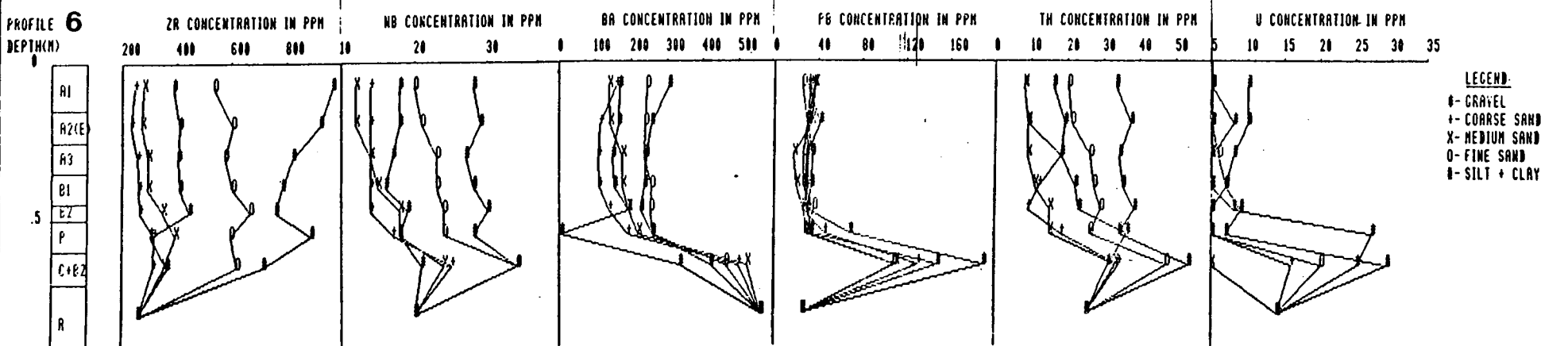
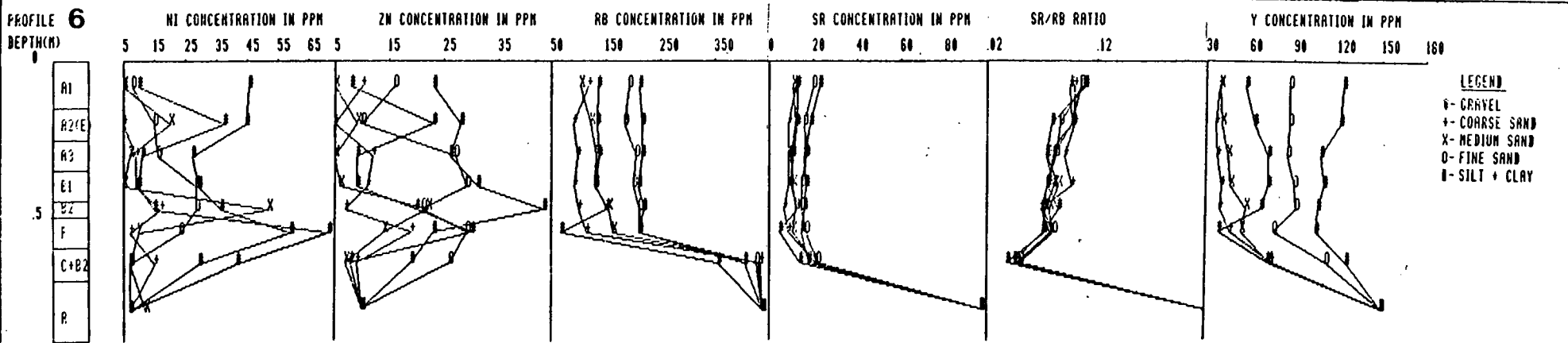
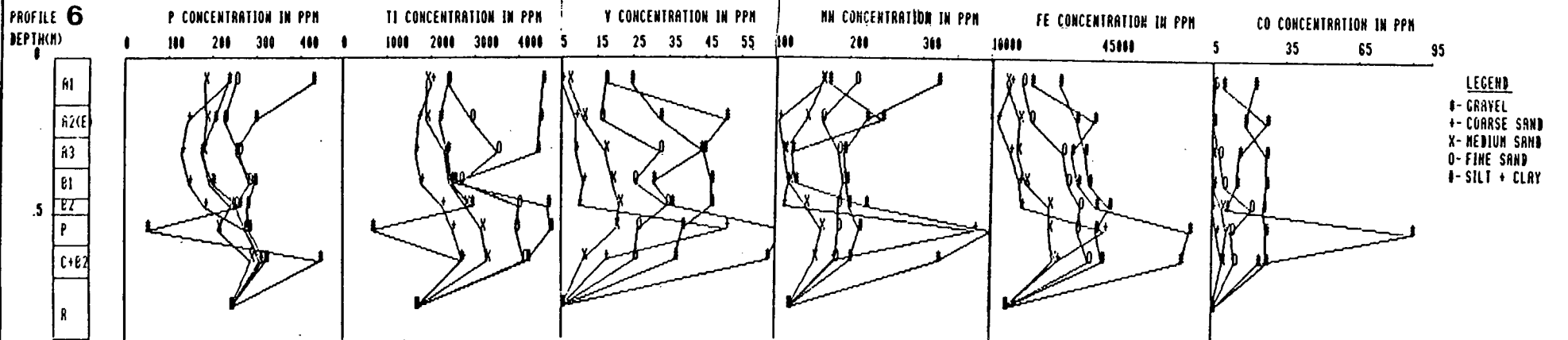
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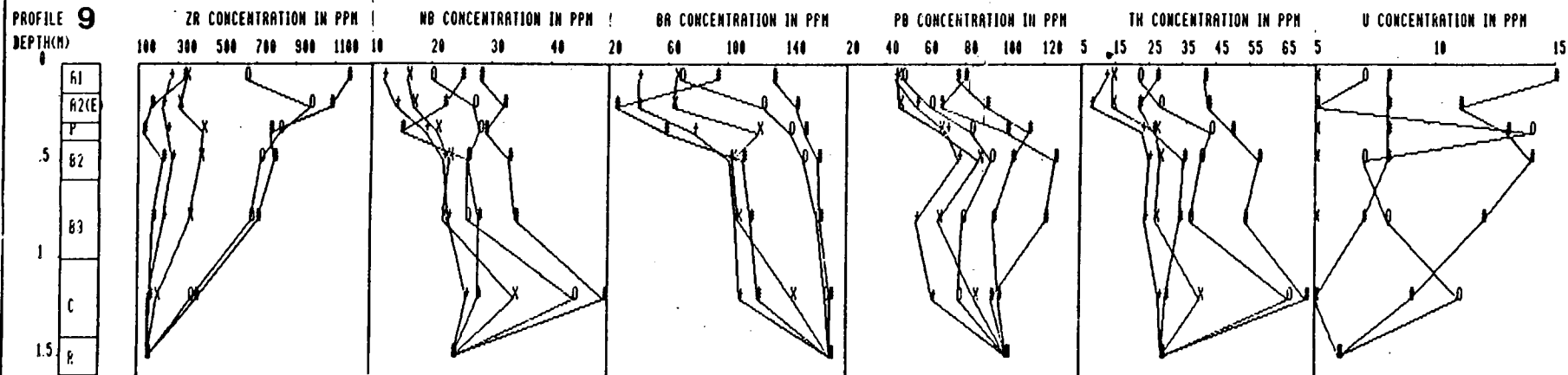
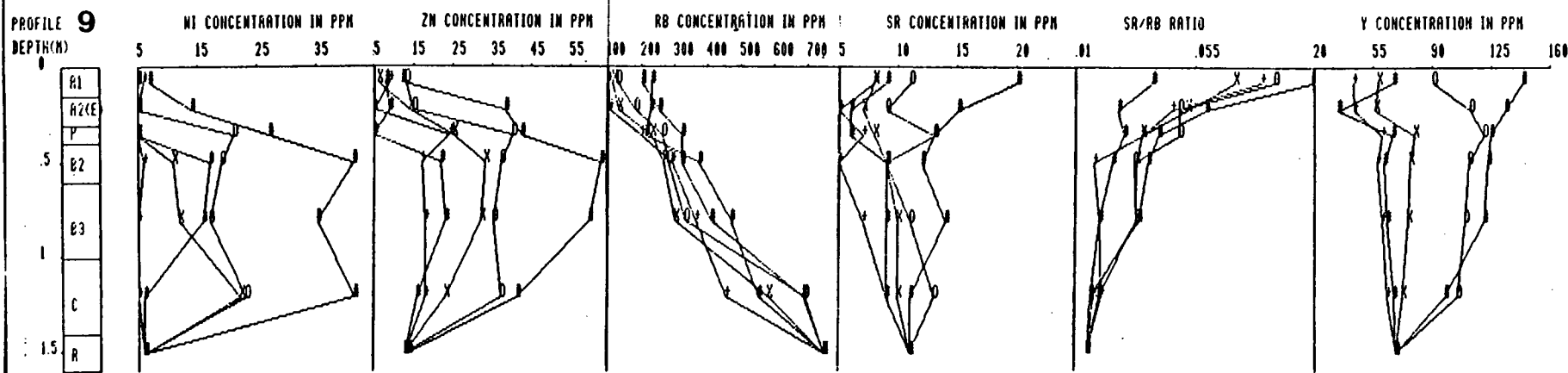
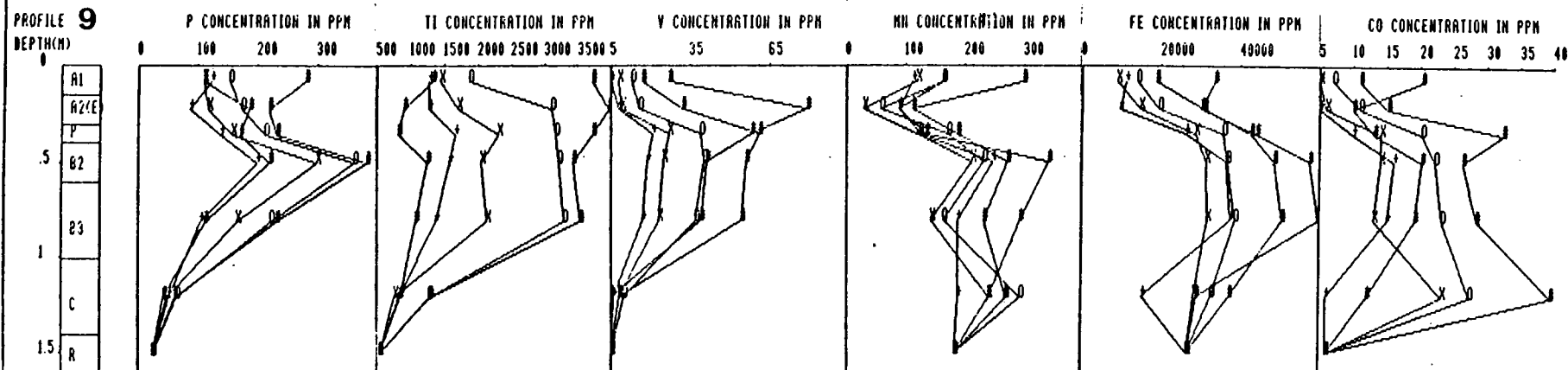
APPENDIX G: THE TRACE ELEMENT DISPERSION PATTERNS IN SIZE
FRACTIONS IN 7 SOIL PROFILES.

(Fe = TOTAL Fe AS Fe₂O₃)

APPENDIX G: (CONTINUED)



APPENDIX G: (CONTINUED)



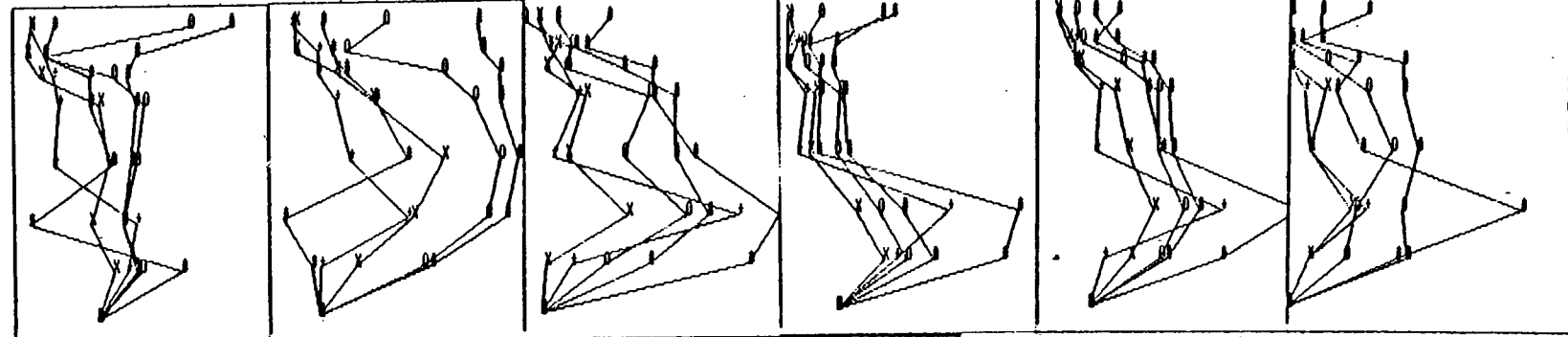
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PROFILE 11
DEPTH(M)

P CONCENTRATION IN PPM TI CONCENTRATION IN PPM V CONCENTRATION IN PPM MN CONCENTRATION IN PPM FE CONCENTRATION IN PPM CO CONCENTRATION IN PPM

100 150 200 250 300 1000 1500 2000 2500 3000 3500 4000 5 15 25 35 45 55 65 0 100 200 300 400 30000 60000 5 15 25 35 45 55

0
A1
H2/E
H3
0.5
B1
1
B2
P
1.5
C
R



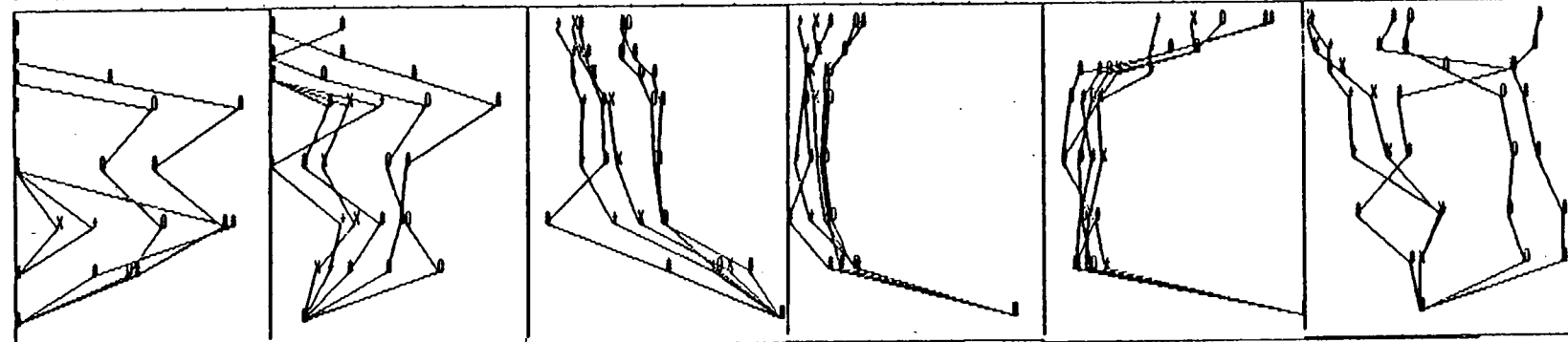
LEGEND
O - GRAVEL
+ - COARSE SAND
X - MEDIUM SAND
□ - FINE SAND
△ - SILT + CLAY

PROFILE 11
DEPTH(M)

NI CONCENTRATION IN PPM ZN CONCENTRATION IN PPM RB CONCENTRATION IN PPM SR CONCENTRATION IN PPM SR/RB RATIO Y CONCENTRATION IN PPM

5 10 15 20 25 30 5 15 25 35 50 150 250 350 450 5 15 25 35 45 55 65 0.4 7.99939E-02 30 60 90 120

0
A1
H2/E
H3
0.5
B1
1
B2
P
1.5
C
R



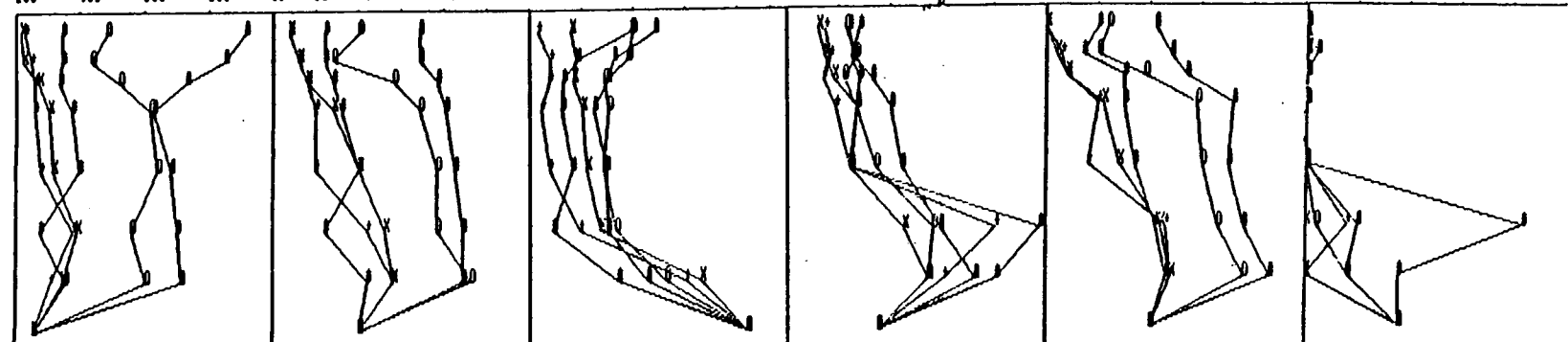
LEGEND
O - GRAVEL
+ - COARSE SAND
X - MEDIUM SAND
□ - FINE SAND
△ - SILT + CLAY

PROFILE 11
DEPTH(M)

ZR CONCENTRATION IN PPM NB CONCENTRATION IN PPM BA CONCENTRATION IN PPM PB CONCENTRATION IN PPM TM CONCENTRATION IN PPM U CONCENTRATION IN PPM

200 400 600 800 10 15 20 25 30 35 100 200 300 400 500 10 30 50 70 90 5 15 25 35 45 5 10 15 20 25 30

0
A1
H2/E
H3
0.5
B1
1
B2
P
1.5
C
R



LEGEND
O - GRAVEL
+ - COARSE SAND
X - MEDIUM SAND
□ - FINE SAND
△ - SILT + CLAY

APPENDIX G: (CONTINUED)

PROFILE 12

DEPTH (ft)

P CONCENTRATION IN PPM

100 150 200 250 300

TI CONCENTRATION IN PPM

1000 2000 3000

V CONCENTRATION IN PPM

5 35 65 95

MN CONCENTRATION IN PPM

50 100 150 200

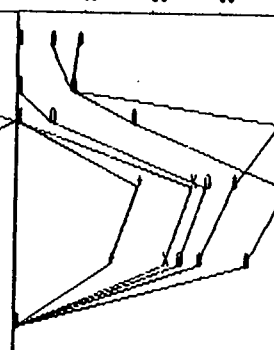
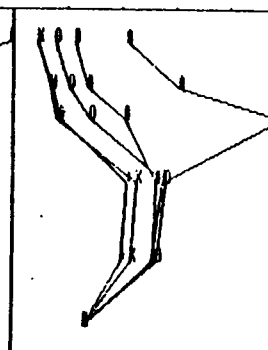
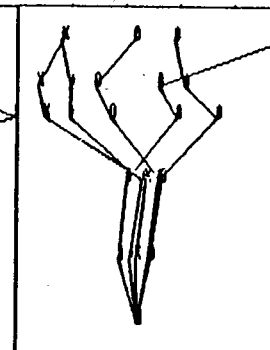
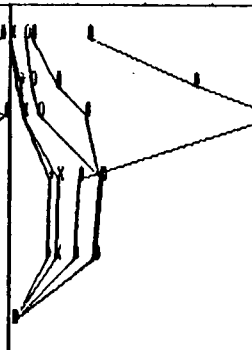
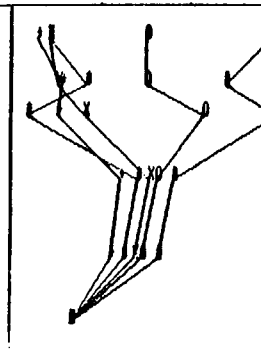
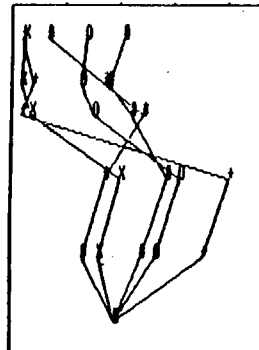
FE CONCENTRATION IN PPM

19000 38000 57000 76000

CO CONCENTRATION IN PPM

5 15 25 35 45

0
A1
A2/E
P
5
B2
B3+C
1
R



LEGEND:
O- GRAVEL
+ - COARSE SAND
X- MEDIUM SAND
□- FINE SAND
* - SILT + CLAY

PROFILE 12

DEPTH (ft)

NI CONCENTRATION IN PPM

0 10 20 30

ZN CONCENTRATION IN PPM

5 15 25 35

RB CONCENTRATION IN PPM

0 100 200 300 400 500

SR CONCENTRATION IN PPM

5 15 25 35 42

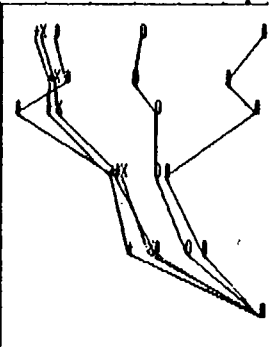
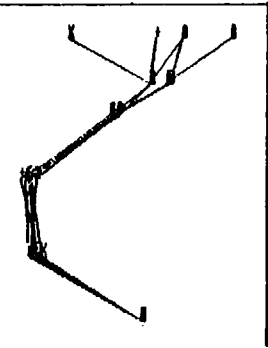
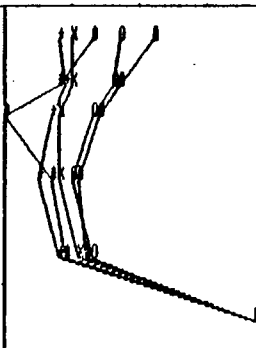
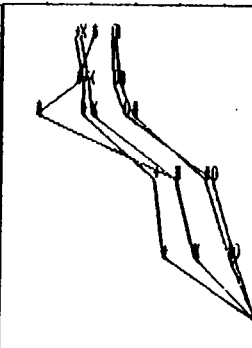
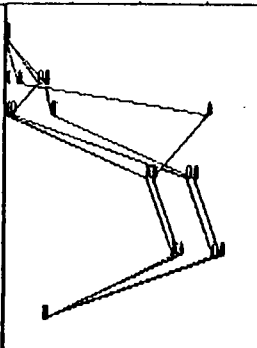
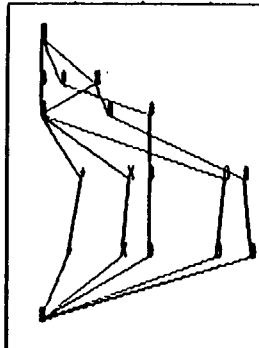
SR/RB RATIO

6.93939E-02

Y CONCENTRATION IN PPM

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0
A1
A2/E
P
5
B2
B3+C
1
R



LEGEND:
O- GRAVEL
+ - COARSE SAND
X- MEDIUM SAND
□- FINE SAND
* - SILT + CLAY

PROFILE 12

DEPTH (ft)

ZR CONCENTRATION IN PPM

100 400 700 1000

NB CONCENTRATION IN PPM

10 15 20 25

BA CONCENTRATION IN PPM

0 100 200 300 400 500 600

PB CONCENTRATION IN PPM

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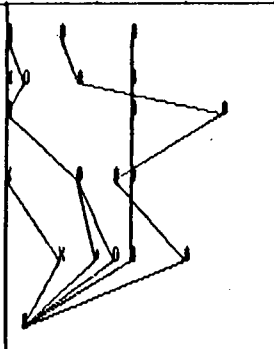
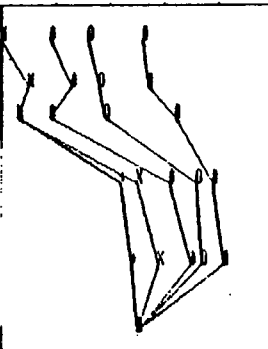
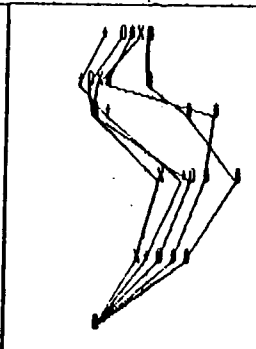
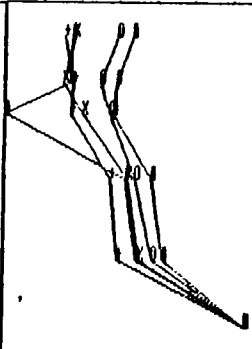
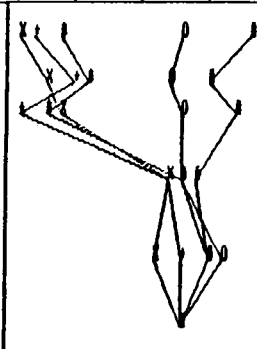
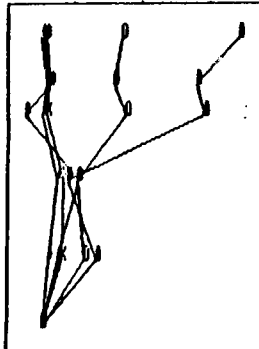
TM CONCENTRATION IN PPM

10 20 30 40 50

U CONCENTRATION IN PPM

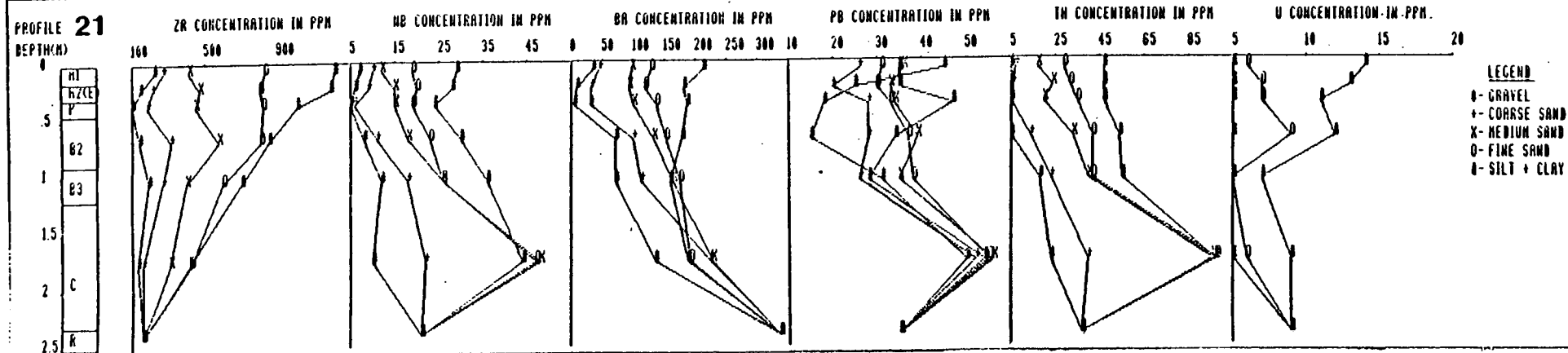
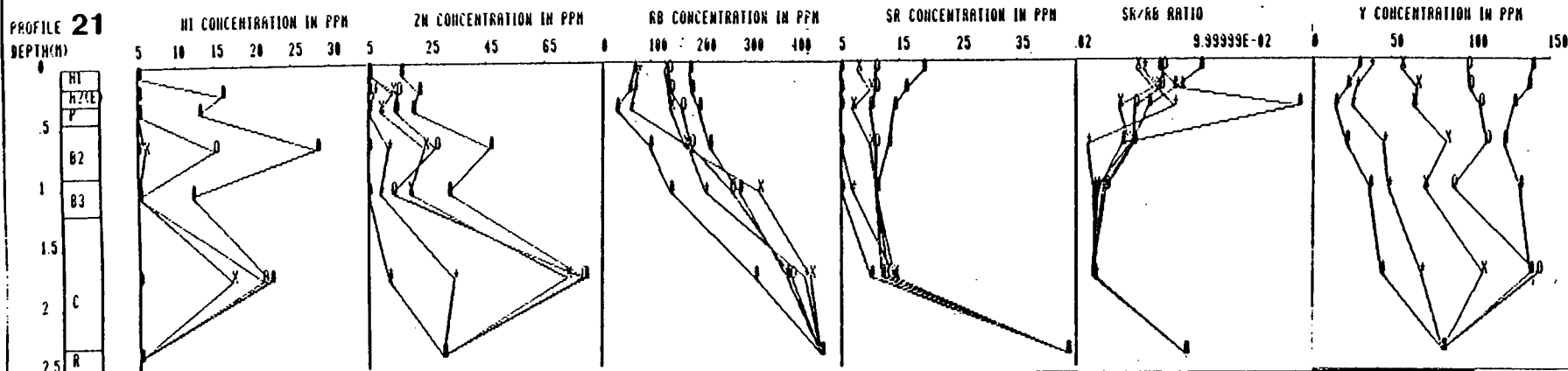
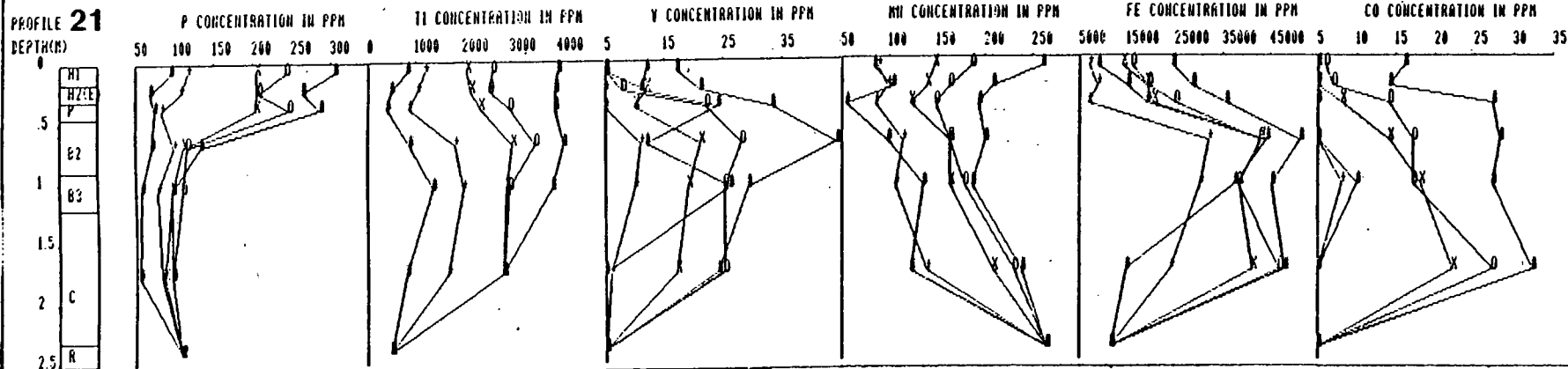
5 10 15 20

0
A1
A2/E
P
5
B2
B3+C
1
R



LEGEND:
O- GRAVEL
+ - COARSE SAND
X- MEDIUM SAND
□- FINE SAND
* - SILT + CLAY

APPENDIX G: (CONTINUED)

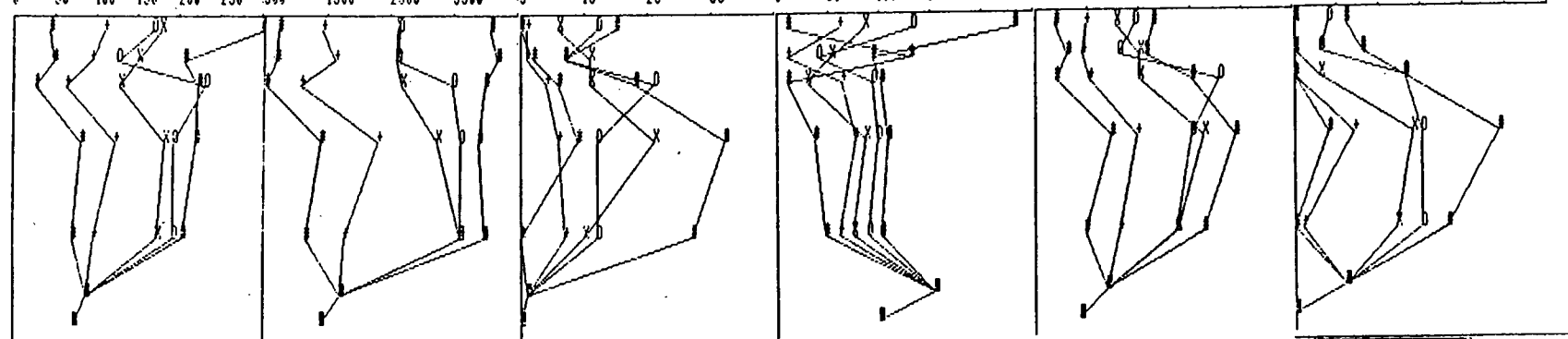
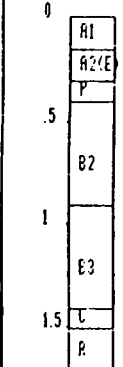


APPENDIX G: (CONTINUED)

PROFILE 26

DEPTH(M)

P CONCENTRATION IN PPM TI CONCENTRATION IN PPM V CONCENTRATION IN PPM MN CONCENTRATION IN PPM FE CONCENTRATION IN PPM CO CONCENTRATION IN PPM

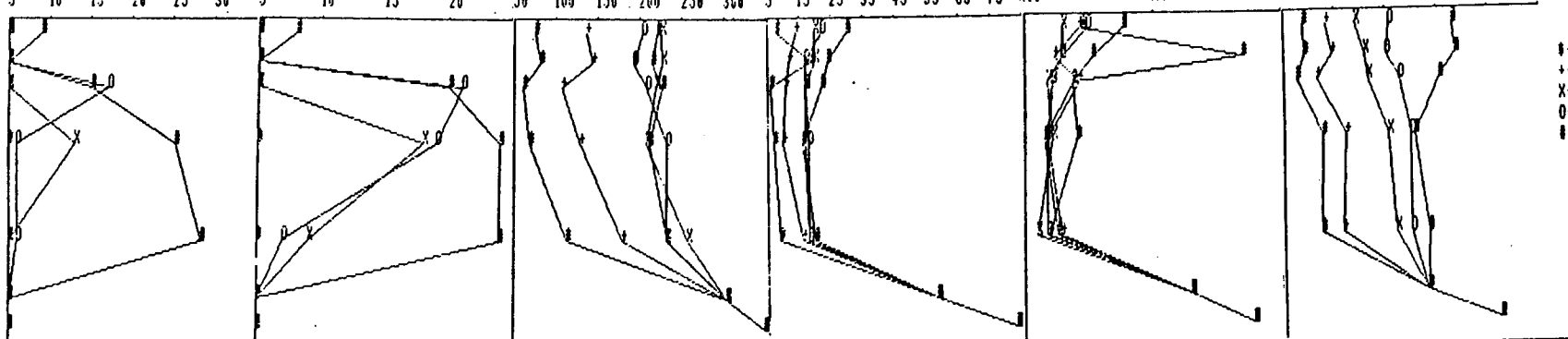
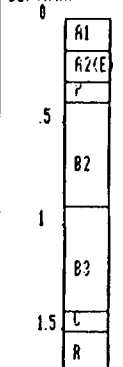


LEGEND
 * - GRAVEL
 + - COARSE SAND
 X - MEDIUM SAND
 O - FINE SAND
 ■ - SILT + CLAY

PROFILE 26

DEPTH(M)

NI CONCENTRATION IN PPM ZN CONCENTRATION IN PPM RB CONCENTRATION IN PPM SR CONCENTRATION IN PPM SR/RB RATIO Y CONCENTRATION IN PPM

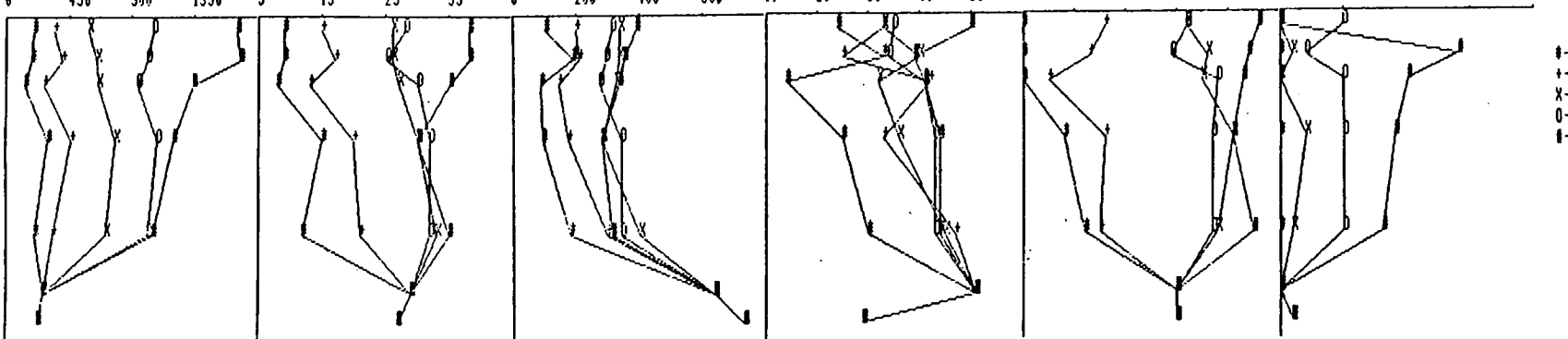
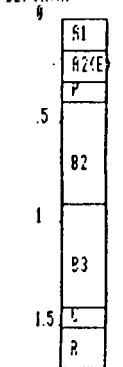


LEGEND
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 ■ - SILT + CLAY

PROFILE 26

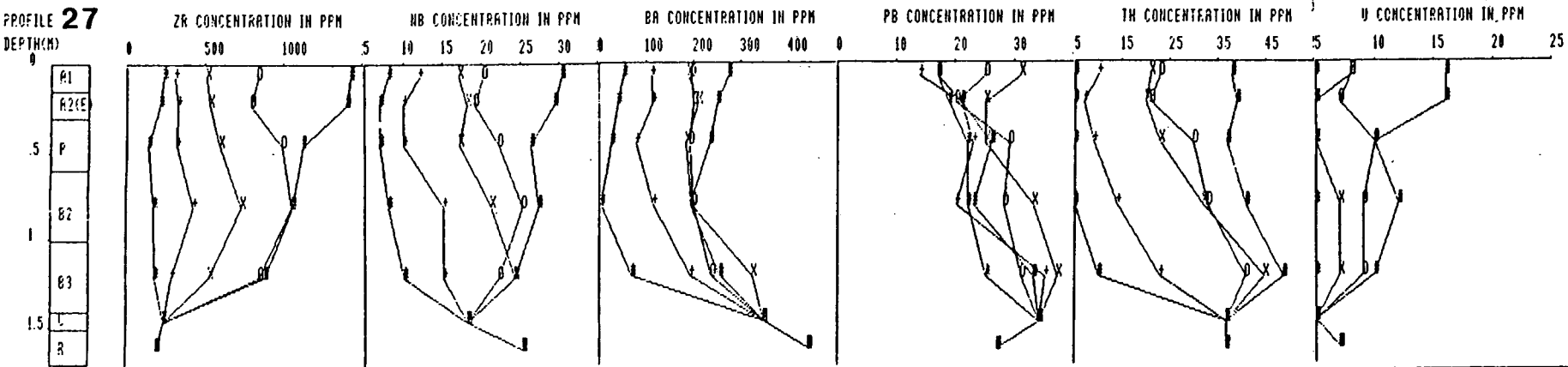
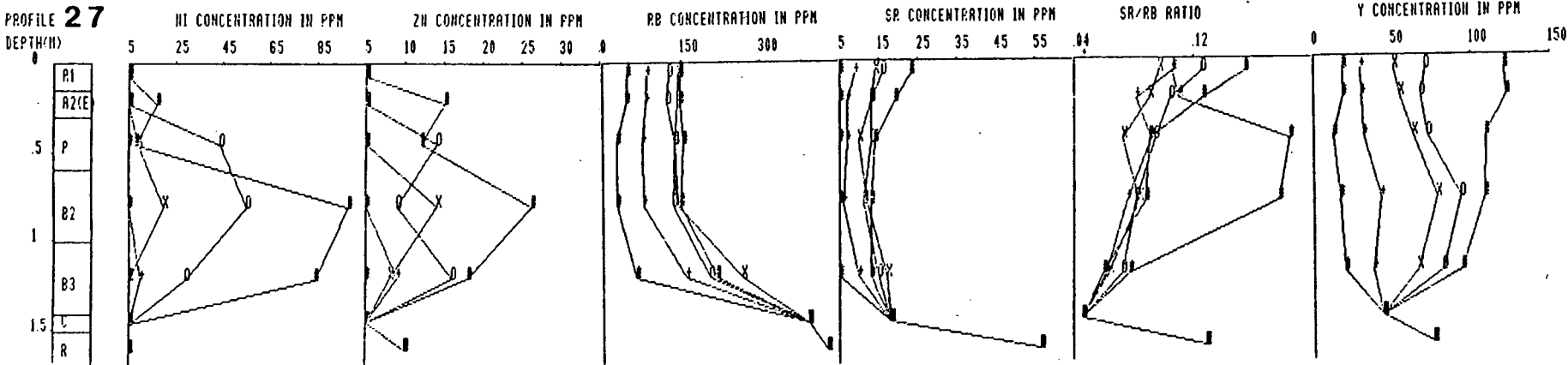
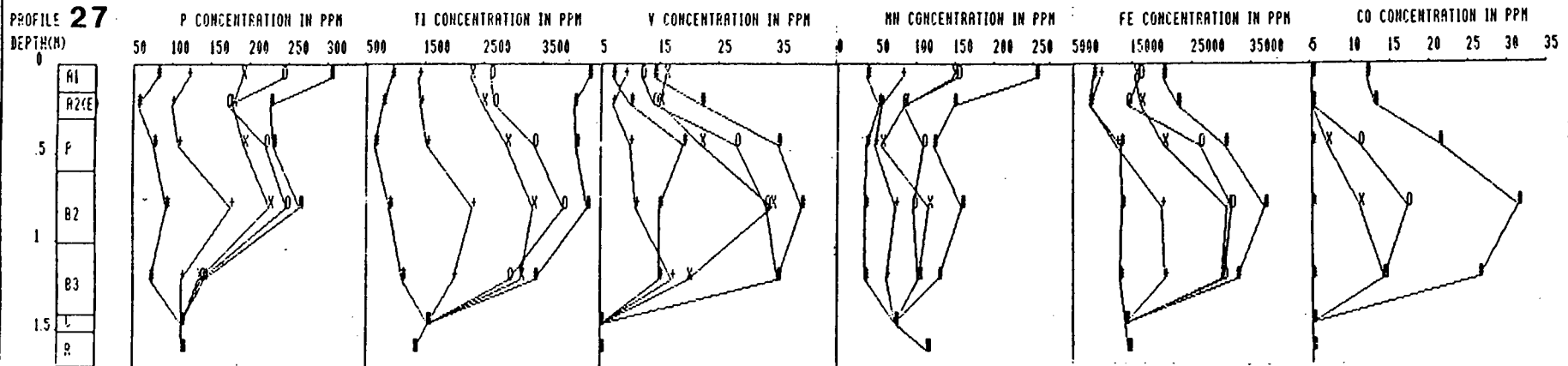
DEPTH(M)

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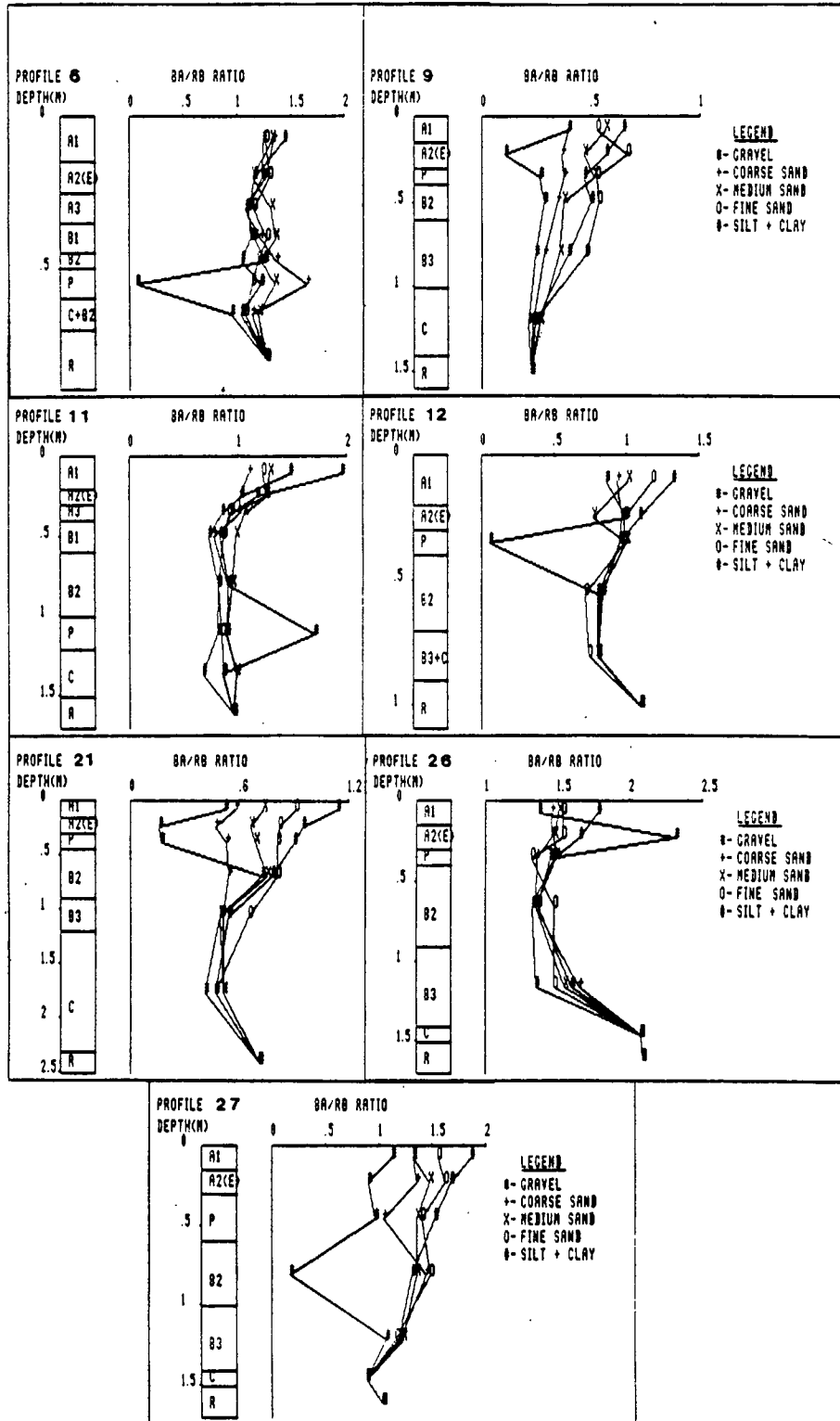


LEGEND
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 + - COARSE SAND
 X - MEDIUM SAND
 O - FINE SAND
 ■ - SILT + CLAY

APPENDIX G: (CONTINUED)



APPENDIX G: (CONTINUED)



APPENDIX H: THE CONCENTRATIONS FOR Sn, Cu, Cu CORRECTED FOR Fe₂O₃, Mo, Fe₂O₃, Rb AND SR AND THE Rb/Sr RATIO ALONG TRAVERSE LINES B, C, D, E AND F (FROM NW-SE) AND A (FROM SW-NE).

(TOTAL Fe AS Fe₂O₃)

APPENDIX H: (CONTINUED)

| TRAVERSE A | | | | | | | | | TRAVERSE B | | | | | | | | |
|------------|---------|----|-------|----|--------------------------------|-----|----|-------|------------|---------|----|-------|----|--------------------------------|-----|----|-------|
| DISTANCE | ELEMENT | | | | | | | | DISTANCE | ELEMENT | | | | | | | |
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APPENDIX H: (CONTINUED)

| TRAVERSE C | | | | | | | | | TRAVERSE D | | | | | | | | |
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| DISTANCE | ELEMENT | | | | | | | | DISTANCE | ELEMENT | | | | | | | |
| (m) | Sn | Cu | Cu(C) | Mo | Fe ₂ O ₃ | Rb | Sr | Rb/Sr | (m) | Sn | Cu | Cu(C) | Mo | Fe ₂ O ₃ | Rb | Sr | Rb/Sr |
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APPENDIX H: (CONTINUED)

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APPENDIX H: (CONTINUED)

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