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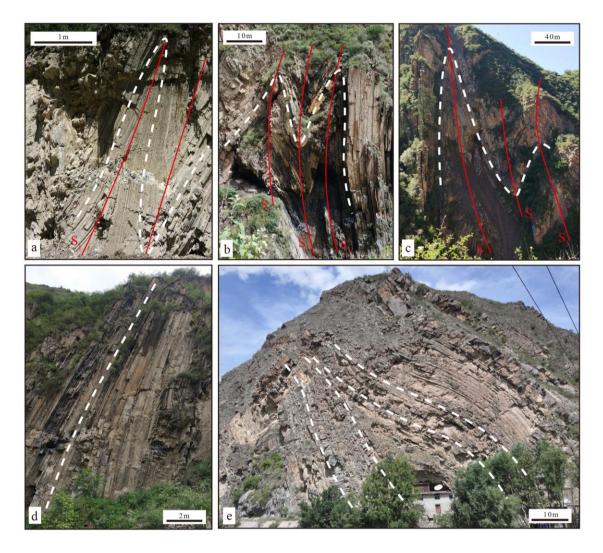


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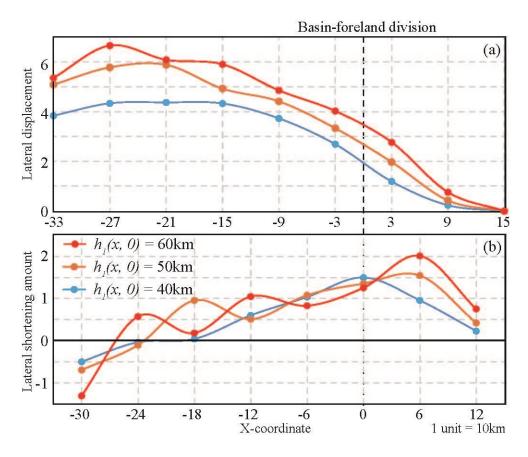


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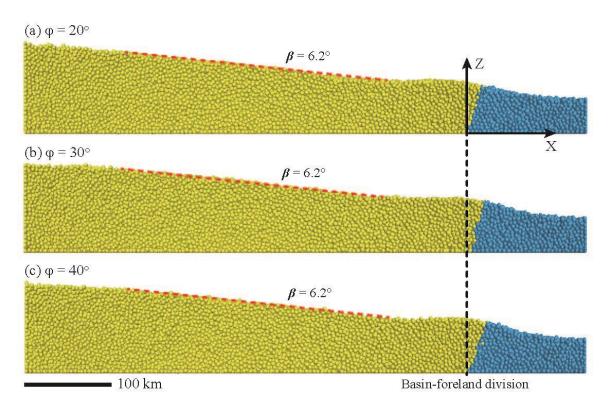


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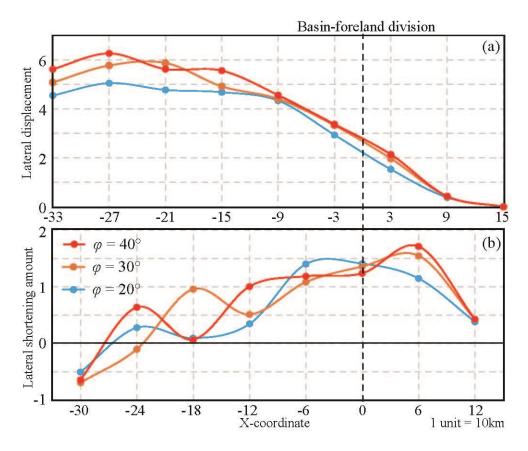


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Spot	Atomic ratios				
	²⁰⁶ Pb*/ ²³⁸ U	$\pm 1\sigma$	²⁰⁷ Pb*/ ²⁰⁶ Pb	$\pm 1\sigma$	
Sample (CV1)					
CV1_s01	0.30281	0.01229	0.82300	0.01600	
CV1_s02	0.45055	0.01632	0.82900	0.01950	
CV1_s03	2.79235	0.07942	0.80000	0.02500	
CV1_s0 4	3.95188	0.18420	0.89000	0.05500	
CV1_s05	4 .16359	0.20446	0.97000	0.08000	
CV1_s06	1.63622	0.14353	0.96000	0.06000	
CV1_s07	16.68416	0.85062	-140.00000	70.00000	
CV1_s08	0.84786	0.05010	0.82700	0.03250	
CV1_s09	13.19157	0.74634	0.52900	0.04400	
CV1_s10	2.58350	0.08230	0.90800	0.02950	
CV1_s11	0.28092	0.01015	0.85500	0.01300	
CV1_s12	0.79713	0.04088	0.82400	0.02200	
CV1_s13	0.46867	0.02120	0.85900	0.02000	
CV1_s14	1.07448	0.04890	0.86200	0.03050	
CV1_s15	9.19768	0.37190	0.75200	0.04400	
CV1_s16	7.81764	0.31454	1.00000	0.08000	
CV1_s17	1.15141	0.07107	0.81600	0.02600	
CV1_s18	1.06345	0.04850	0.85800	0.03150	
CV1_s19	29.98857	0.81962	0.18600	0.01500	
CV1_s20	15.70109	0.72690	0.71000	0.10000	
CV1_s21	2.51387	0.10503	0.84100	0.03950	
CV1_s22	1.21438	0.04427	0.86000	0.03300	
CV1_s23	0.81811	0.04665	0.83100	0.02750	
CV1_s24	1.04792	0.05887	0.84100	0.02950	
CV1_s25	7.58247	0.27433	0.77600	0.03550	
Sample (CV2_1)					
CV2_1_s01	33.30873	1.30856	0.22400	0.03050	
CV2_1_s02	16.71406	0.71888	0.67100	0.04500	
CV2_1_s03	10.49093	0.41893	0.77000	0.06000	
CV2_1_s04	24.47886	1.12436	0.58000	0.05500	

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CV2_1_s05	8.25349	0.47476	-120.00000	70.00000
CV2_1_s06	25.97895	0.79601	0.38000	0.03150
CV2_1_s07	36.14901	1.26101	0.13800	0.01400
CV2_1_s08	23.31611	0.75777	0.37500	0.02150
CV2_1_s09	12.89965	0.66015	-200.00000	85.00000
CV2_1_s10	28.52124	1.22109	0.44000	0.09500
CV2_1_s11	4.73424	0.25233	0.73400	0.02900
CV2_1_s12	12.45186	0.58186	0.69000	0.07500
CV2_1_s13	0.42587	0.01264	0.83400	0.01150
CV2_1_s14	0.76446	0.02663	0.83800	0.01300
CV2_1_s15	0.43786	0.01233	0.83700	0.01250
CV2_1_s16	29.05435	1.53870	0.37000	0.04750
CV2_1_s17	26.05152	0.98239	0.26300	0.03500
CV2_1_s18	32.72437	1.09081	0.20900	0.02100
CV2_1_s19	3.74556	0.13538	0.77700	0.02550
CV2_1_s20	34.93050	1.37367	0.10800	0.01450
CV2_1_s21	25.55190	2.41518	-670.00000	160.00000
CV2_1_s22	3.01827	0.13675	0.84000	0.06000
CV2_1_s23	4.27819	0.24531	0.81000	0.06000
CV2_1_s24	4.12675	0.13695	0.84900	0.03100
CV2_1_s25	3.64314	0.17789	0.98000	0.07500