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## (a) $\varphi=20^{\circ}$



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| Spot | Atomic ratios |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | ${ }^{206} \mathrm{~Pb}^{* / 238} \mathrm{U}$ | $\pm 1 \sigma$ | ${ }^{207} \mathrm{~Pb}{ }^{*} 206 \mathrm{~Pb}$ | $\pm 1 \sigma$ |
| 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_s04 | 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 |


| 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_s24 | 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 |

