

1                   **Barometers behaving badly II: A critical evaluation of Cpx-only and Cpx-Liq**  
2                   **thermobarometry in variably-hydrous arc magmas**

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10 **Key Words**

- 11       • Clinopyroxene  
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15       • Magma Storage Conditions

16 **ABSTRACT**

17 The chemistry of erupted clinopyroxene crystals ( $\pm$ equilibrium liquids) have been widely  
18 used to deduce the pressures and temperatures of magma storage in volcanic arcs. However,  
19 the large number of different equations parametrizing the relationship between mineral and  
20 melt compositions and intensive variables such as pressure and temperature yield vastly  
21 different results, with implications for our interpretation of magma storage conditions. We  
22 use a new test dataset comprised of the average Cpx-Liq composition from N=543 variably-  
23 hydrous experiments at crustal conditions (1 bar to 17 kbar) to assess the performance of  
24 different thermobarometers, and identify the most accurate and precise expressions for  
25 application to subduction zone magmas. First, we assess different equilibrium tests, finding  
26 that comparing the measured and predicted  $EnFs$  and  $K_D$  (using  $Fe_t$  in both phases) are the  
27 most useful tests in arc magmas, while  $CaTs$ ,  $CaTi$  and  $Jd$  tests have limited utility. We then  
28 apply further quality filters based on cation sums (3.95-4.05), number of analyses ( $N > 5$ ), and  
29 the presence of reported  $H_2O$  data in the quenched experimental glass (hereafter ‘liquid’) to  
30 obtain a filtered dataset ( $N=214$ ). We use this filtered dataset to compare calculated versus  
31 experimental pressures and temperatures for different combinations of thermobarometers. A  
32 number of Cpx-Liq thermometers perform very well when liquid  $H_2O$  contents are known,  
33 although the Cpx composition contributes relatively little to the calculated temperature. Most  
34 Cpx-only thermometers perform very badly, greatly overestimating temperatures for hydrous  
35 experiments. These two observations indicate that the Cpx chemistry alone holds very little  
36 temperature information in hydrous systems.

37 Cpx-Liq and Cpx-only barometers show similar performance to one another, with most  
38 expressions yielding RMSEs of 2-3.5 kbar. We also assess the sensitivity of different  
39 equations to melt  $H_2O$  contents, which are poorly constrained in many natural systems.  
40 Overall, this work demonstrates Cpx-based barometry on individual Cpx only provides  
41 sufficient resolution to distinguish broad storage regions (e.g., upper, mid, lower crust).

42 However, after significant amounts of averaging of Cpx compositions from experiments  
43 reported at similar pressures, RMSEs can reduce to ~1.3-1.9 kbar for the best-behaving  
44 expressions. We hope our findings motivate the substantial amount of experimental and  
45 analytical work that is required to obtain precise and accurate estimates of magma storage  
46 depths from Cpx±Liq equilibrium in volcanic arcs.

## 47 **1. INTRODUCTION**

48 The composition of erupted clinopyroxene (Cpx) and Cpx-liquid (Liq) pairs are commonly  
49 used to calculate pressures (P) and temperatures (T) in a variety of igneous systems. Cpx is a  
50 stable phase over a very wide range of pressures, temperatures, melt compositions and  
51 oxygen fugacities (e.g. Brugman and Till, 2019; Costa, 2004; Nandedkar et al., 2014; Ulmer  
52 et al., 2018), meaning Cpx-based thermobarometry has broad utility and has been applied in a  
53 wide variety of tectonic settings. Cpx is also a very common mineral in mafic to evolved  
54 magmas from volcanic arcs; as a result, Cpx-based barometry and thermometry has been  
55 widely applied in hydrous arc systems. However, recent work has also shown that there are  
56 limitations in our current state of knowledge about Cpx-based barometry and thermometry  
57 (Wieser et al., 2022a). Specifically, insufficient count times and/or low beam currents used  
58 for analysis of elements with concentrations (<0.5 wt%) yield highly imprecise  
59 measurements (1 $\sigma$  errors of 10–40% for Na<sub>2</sub>O) and insufficient characterization of the true  
60 composition of experimental Cpx. This low analytical precision causes large errors ( $\pm$  3 kbar)  
61 in Cpx barometry when tested using global experimental datasets (Wieser et al., 2023a).

62 In this contribution, we investigate the sources of uncertainty associated with applying Cpx-  
63 based thermobarometers to determine storage conditions in variably hydrous arc magmas  
64 (e.g., Auer et al., 2013; Belousov et al., 2021; Cassidy et al., 2015; Caulfield et al., 2012;  
65 Cigolini et al., 2018; Dahren et al., 2012; Deegan et al., 2016; Freundt and Kutterolf, 2019;  
66 Geiger et al., 2018; Hollyday et al., 2020; Jeffery et al., 2013; Lai et al., 2018; Lormand et al.,  
67 2021; Moussallam et al., 2021, 2019; Namur et al., 2020; Preece et al., 2014; Romero et al.,  
68 2022; Ruth and Costa, 2021; Sas et al., 2017; Scruggs and Putirka, 2018; Sheehan and  
69 Barclay, 2016).

70 Existing expressions relating P and/or T to Cpx(±Liq) compositions are generally calibrated  
71 on experimental products conducted at known conditions, using a wide variety of equations  
72 based on multilinear regressions (e.g. Putirka, 2008, Neave and Putirka, 2017), or most  
73 recently, machine-learning techniques using decision trees (e.g., Petrelli et al. 2020,  
74 Jorgenson et al. 2021). Although a number of different Cpx-Liq and Cpx-only  
75 parametrizations exist (Neave and Putirka, 2017; Nimis, 1999; Petrelli et al., 2020; Putirka,  
76 1999, 2008a; Wang et al., 2021), it is not always clear which parameterization is best, and  
77 how much the choice of equation affects geological interpretations. This is particularly true in  
78 volcanic arcs, where there has been no detailed evaluation of which thermobarometers  
79 behave best in variably hydrous arc magma compositions that occur in these settings. This is  
80 in contrast to extensive work evaluating thermobarometers in more H<sub>2</sub>O-poor tectonic  
81 settings (e.g., Iceland, Neave et al., 2019; Neave and Putirka, 2017), and alkaline volcanic  
82 systems (Masotta et al., 2016; Mollo et al., 2013). Additionally, many existing calibrations

83 are also not parameterized in terms of water contents, and the underlying calibration datasets  
84 use a significant number of experiments where H<sub>2</sub>O contents in experimental glasses are  
85 either not measured or are not reported (Wieser et al., 2023a).

86 The lack of consensus as to which thermobarometers are best is demonstrated by the breadth  
87 of choices selected by studies performing Cpx±Liq thermobarometry in arc magmas after the  
88 publication of the seminal thermobarometry review of Putirka (2008, Table 1). As many  
89 barometers contain a term for temperature, in natural systems where neither pressure not  
90 temperature is known, studies tend to iteratively calculate pressures and temperature using a  
91 thermometer and a barometer. Iteration of two equations greatly increases the number of  
92 possible combinations to perform calculations ( $N_{\text{barometers}} \times N_{\text{thermometers}}$ ).

93 *Table 1– Compilation of Cpx-based thermobarometers used in studies of arc magmas. In many*  
94 *studies, we deduced the exact equations used through email correspondence with the authors (many*  
95 *papers simply stated Putirka, 2008 in the text).*

<b>Clinopyroxene-Liquid barometry</b>	
<b>P = Putirka (2008) eq31, T = Putirka (2008) eq33</b>	<b>P = Neave &amp; Putirka (2017), T = Putirka (2008) eq33</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mt Baker and Glacier Peak, Cascades - <i>Sas et al. (2017)</i></li> <li>Whangaeuhu Gorge, New Zealand - <i>Auer et al. (2013)</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ebeko Volcano, Kurile arc - <i>Belousov et al. (2021)</i></li> <li>Lassen Peak, Cascades - <i>Hollyday et al. (2020)</i></li> <li>Lassen Peak, Cascades - <i>Scruggs and Putirka, (2018)</i></li> <li>Taupo Volcanic Zone - <i>Lormand et al. (2021)</i></li> <li>Calbuco Volcano - <i>Namur et al. (2020)</i></li> </ul>
<b>P = Putirka (2008) eq30, T = Putirka (2008) eq33</b>	<b>P = Putirka (2003), T = Putirka (2003)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agung and Batur, Indonesia - <i>Geiger et al. (2018)</i></li> <li>Ambae, Vanuatu - <i>Moussallam et al. (2019)</i></li> <li>Ambrym, Vanuatu - <i>Moussallam et al. (2021)</i></li> <li>Ambrym, Vanuatu - <i>Sheehan and Barclay (2016)</i></li> <li>Villarrica, Chile – <i>Romero et al. (2022)</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agung and Batur, Indonesia - <i>Geiger et al. (2018)</i></li> <li>Ambrym, Vanuatu - <i>Sheehan and Barclay (2016)</i></li> <li>Soufrière Hills, Monseratt - <i>Cassidy et al. (2015)</i></li> <li>Krakatau, Indonesia - <i>Dahren et al. (2012)</i></li> <li>Tofua Volcano, Tonga - <i>Caulfield et al. (2012)</i></li> </ul>
<b>P = Putirka (2008) eq32c, T = ...</b>	
<b>T = Putirka (1996) eqT2 (spreadsheet default):</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mayon Volcano, Phillipines - <i>Ruth and Costa (2021)</i></li> </ul> <b>Thermometer not stated in paper:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Miravalles-Guayabo Caldera, Costa Rica - <i>Cigolini et al. (2018)</i></li> <li>Mt Baker and Glacier Peak, Cascades - <i>Sas et al. (2017)</i></li> </ul>	<b>T = Putirka (2008) eq33:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chiltepe, Nicaragua - <i>Freundt and Kutterolf (2019)</i></li> </ul> <b>T = Putirka (2003)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agung and Batur, Indonesia - <i>Geiger et al. (2018)</i></li> <li>Merapi, Indonesia - <i>Preece et al. (2014)</i></li> <li>Krakatau, Indonesia - <i>Dahren et al. (2012)</i></li> </ul>
<b>Cpx-only Barometry</b>	
<b>P = Putirka (2003) eq32b, T = ...</b>	<b>P = Putirka (2008) eq32a, T=...</b>
<b>Thermometer not stated in paper:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agung and Batur, Indonesia - <i>Geiger et al. (2018)</i></li> <li>Merapi Volcano, Indonesia - <i>Deegan et al. (2016)</i></li> <li>Ambae, Vanuatu - <i>Moussallam et al. (2019)</i></li> <li>Merapi, Indonesia - <i>Preece et al. (2014)</i></li> </ul> <b>T = Putirka (2008) eq32d:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kelut Volcano, Indonesia - <i>Jeffery et al. (2013)</i></li> </ul> <b>T = Putirka (2008) eq33:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chiltepe Volcanic Complex, Nicaragua - <i>Freundt and Kutterolf, (2019)</i></li> </ul>	<b>Thermometer not stated in paper:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Taupo Volcanic Zone - <i>Beier et al. (2017)</i></li> </ul> <b>T from P2003:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Volcan Melimoyu, Andes. <i>Geoffroy et al. (2018)</i></li> </ul> <b>T from P2008 eq32d:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ambrym, Vanuatu - <i>Sheehan and Barclay (2016)</i></li> <li>Ambrym, Vanuatu - <i>Moussallam et al. (2021)</i></li> </ul> <b>T from P2008 eq33:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mariana trough back-arc basin - <i>Lai et al. (2018)</i></li> <li>Okinawa Trough - <i>Chen et al. (2021)</i></li> </ul>

<b>T from P1996:</b>	
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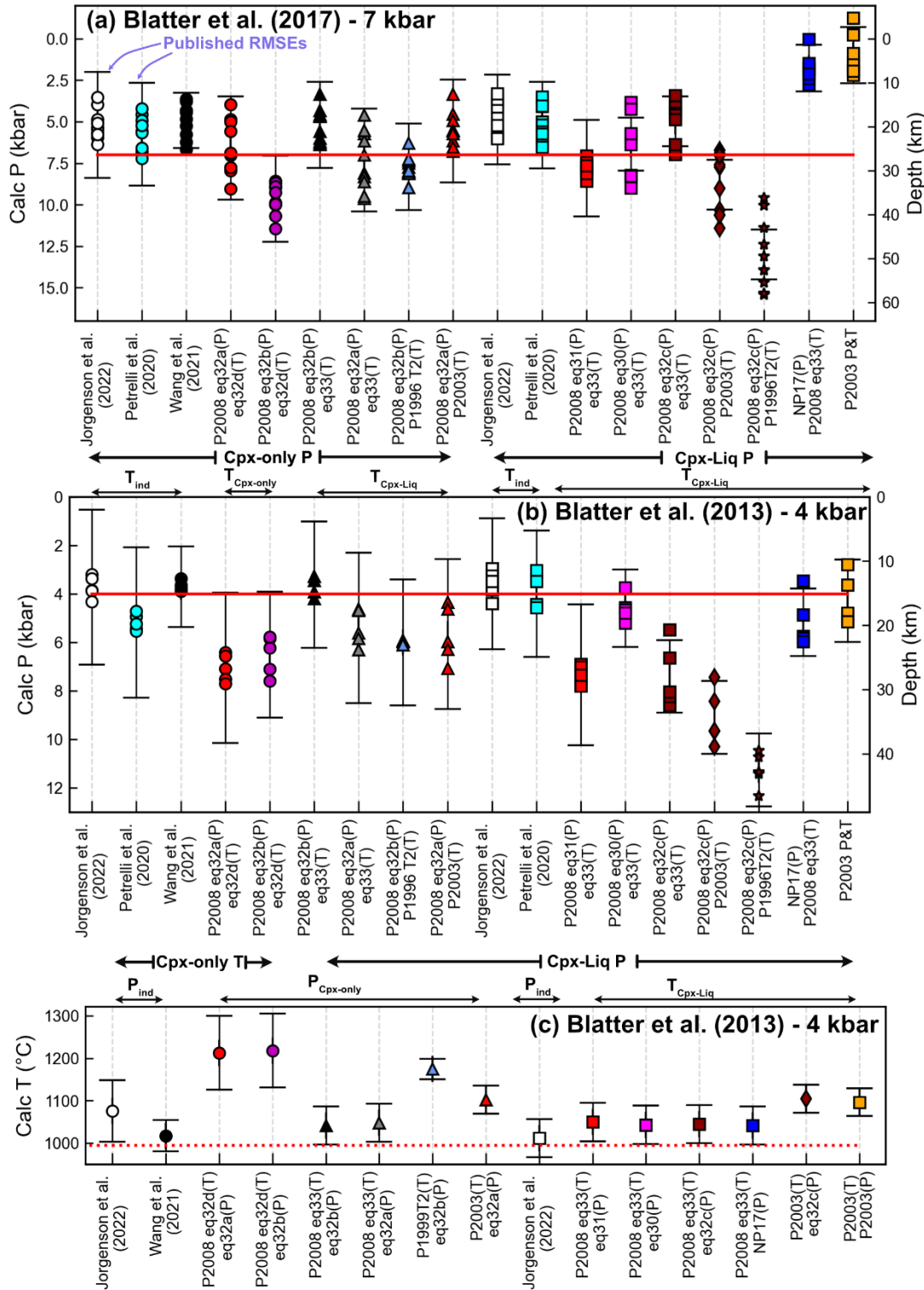
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Etna, Italy - <i>Ubide and Kamber, (2018)</i></li></ul> |  |
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96 Iteration of P and T from Putirka et al., (2003, hereafter P2003) has remained a popular  
97 choice even in recent years, despite the fact that more up-to-date recalibrations of these  
98 equations were provided in Putirka, (2008, hereafter P2008). Eq32c from P2008 is another  
99 popular barometer and has been iterated with a wide variety of different thermometers (Table  
100 1). Another common choice is the iteration of P2008 eq30 or eq31 for pressure with eq33 for  
101 temperature. Alternatively, P2008 eq33 (T) has been iterated with the Neave and Putirka  
102 (2017, hereafter NP17) barometer. This choice is particularly interesting given that Neave  
103 and Putirka (2017) caution that their barometer may not be applicable to the more hydrous  
104 and oxidising conditions found in volcanic arcs.

105 Cpx-only thermobarometry has also been used for arc systems, but has been less popular  
106 than Cpx-Liq. Most studies have used the two Cpx-only barometers from Putirka (2008,  
107 eq32a for H<sub>2</sub>O-independent, 32b for H<sub>2</sub>O-dependent) iterated with a wide variety of different  
108 temperature estimates (e.g. Cpx-only and Cpx-Liq thermometers, Table 1). Three new Cpx-  
109 only thermobarometers have recently been published (Jorgenson et al., 2022; Petrelli et al.,  
110 2020; Wang et al., 2021), which will likely increase the use of Cpx-only equilibrium in a  
111 wide variety of tectonic settings, including volcanic arcs. Thus, it is important to evaluate  
112 their performance.

### 113 **1.1 Comparison of existing thermobarometers**

114 The diversity of published equations being used in the literature for Cpx-based  
115 thermobarometry is concerning because these equations can give different results for  
116 individual Cpx and Cpx-Liq pairs. To demonstrate the magnitude of these differences, we  
117 calculate pressures for 10 experiments from Blatter et al. (2017) performed at 7 kbar and 4  
118 experiments from Blatter et al. (2013) performed at 4 kbar using the different combinations  
119 of equations highlighted in Table 1, and the most recently published thermobarometers (see  
120 also Supporting Fig. 1). We show error bars with the published RMSE for each barometer  
121 centered around the mean calculated P and T.



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123 Figure 1 – Comparison of calculated P and T using the various combinations of thermometers and  
 124 barometers summarized in Table 1. a) Pressure calculations performed for the 10 experiments of  
 125 Blatter et al. (2017) performed at 7 kbar. b) Pressure calculations for the 4 experiments of Blatter et  
 126 al. (2013) performed at 4 kbar. b) Temperatures calculated for experiment #2358 conducted at  
 127 995 °C, 5.5 wt% H<sub>2</sub>O, 9 kbar from Blatter et al. (2013). Error bars are plotted at the average

128 *calculated P, and calculated T, showing the quoted RMSE from each equation. See Supporting Fig. 1*  
129 *for an additional comparison.*

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131 Iteration of Neave and Putirka (2017) and P2008 eq33 (blue squares, Fig. 1a), or iteration of  
132 the PT expressions from Putirka (2003), would suggest storage at ~0-10 km, while iteration  
133 of P2008 eq32c with Putirka (1996) eqT2 (burgundy stars, Fig. 1a), would indicate storage at  
134 ~35-60 km depth. There is also no overlap between calculated pressures using the Cpx-only  
135 barometer of Jorgenson et al. (2022, white circles) and P2008 eq32b-32d (purple circles).  
136 Discrepancies also exist for the experiments conducted at 4 kbar from Blatter et al. (2013,  
137 Fig. 1b). The Cpx-Liq thermobarometers of Petrelli et al. (2020) and Jorgenson et al. (2022)  
138 suggest crystallization at ~15-20 km (mid crust), while iteration of P2008 eq32c for pressure  
139 with P2003 for temperature yields pressures in the lower crust (~35 km, brown diamonds),  
140 and the default iteration of eq32c in the P2008 spreadsheet indicates storage at >40 km depth  
141 (brown stars, Fig. 1a). Calculated Cpx-only temperatures show a very wide range (~200°C)  
142 depending on the selected equation, while most Cpx-Liq temperatures lie within ~50-100°C  
143 (Fig. 1c).

144 Despite these large discrepancies in calculated P and T using different equations, and obvious  
145 implications for geological interpretation, only a small proportion of studies applying Cpx-  
146 based barometers to natural systems have performed calculations using more than one  
147 thermobarometer (e.g., Erdmann et al., 2016, Erdmann et al., 2016; Geiger et al., 2018; Sas et  
148 al., 2017; Sheehan and Barclay, 2016). There is also a general lack of justification in the  
149 literature for why a specific equation was chosen. In many cases, the stated error statistics  
150 from the paper presenting the thermobarometers are quoted as the rational. For example,  
151 some studies appear to select their thermobarometers based on a smaller quoted SEE/RMSE  
152 from the original publication (e.g., Dahren et al., 2012; Preece et al., 2014). However, the  
153 way in which RMSE is calculated for these different equations is highly variable, so these  
154 statistics are not directly comparable. For example, Putirka et al. (2003) state a RMSE of  $\pm 1.7$   
155 kbar in their abstract based on the model fit to the calibration dataset (four studies, N=77  
156 experiments). Similarly, Putirka (2008) states an RMSE of  $\pm 1.5$  kbar for equation 32c based  
157 on the calibration dataset (four studies, N=99 experiments). These are the RMSEs quoted by  
158 Dahren et al., (2012) and Preece et al. (2014) to justify their use of these barometers.  
159 However, when Putirka (2008) applied these expressions to all available experimental data  
160 (n=1303), eq 32c has a SEE of  $\pm 5$  kbar, and Putirka (2003) has a SEE of  $\pm 5$  kbar for n=324  
161 hydrous experiments, and  $\pm 4.8$  kbar for 848 anhydrous experiments). Similarly, the  
162 SEE= $\pm 1.4$  kbar commonly quoted by studies using the Neave and Putirka (2017) barometer  
163 reflects the fit to the calibration dataset (n=113), while the error on a global regression is  
164  $\pm 3.6$ - $3.8$  kbar.

165 Assessing uncertainty using only the calibration data can greatly underestimate the true error  
166 (as the model has been tuned to those experiments). It is far more statistically robust to assess  
167 error using experiments that were not used during thermobarometer calibration (often termed  
168 a “test dataset”), especially when such test datasets share important compositional features

169 with target natural systems. Studies which state the more realistic errors associated with a test  
170 dataset in their abstract (e.g., Petrelli et al. 2020) may be less widely used simply because  
171 they have quoted a larger error, even though this error is more realistic.

172 Another issue associated with comparing published statistics and taking these as  
173 representative of the true error in natural systems is the variable pressure range of calibration  
174 and test datasets. For example, Petrelli et al. (2021) compute statistics for their test dataset  
175 using experiments conducted at 0-30 kbar, Putirka et al. (2003) from 0-35 kbar, and Neave  
176 and Putirka, (2017) from 0-20 kbar. However, it is uncommon that Cpx from the higher end  
177 of these pressure ranges are encountered when examining products from arc volcanoes. Using  
178 the compilation of crustal thicknesses from Profeta et al. (2016), all arc segments apart from  
179 the Northern and Central Volcanic Zone in Chile have Moho depths <45 km (~12 kbar), with  
180 these two thick-crustal settings Moho depths >50 km (~14-17 kbar). For the test dataset  
181 provided with the Cpx-only barometer of Petrelli et al. (2021), if experiments are restricted to  
182 those performed at 0-15 kbar, the  $R^2$  value drops from 0.92 to 0.59.

183 Another factor that can affect the statistics presented for thermobarometers is that most  
184 thermometers have a pressure term, and most barometers have a temperature term. When  
185 assessing equation performance, most papers input the experimental temperature when  
186 calculating pressure, or the experimental pressure when calculating temperature. However, in  
187 natural systems, it is most common that neither pressure nor temperature is known, so a  
188 thermometer and a barometer must be selected, and iteratively solved (Table 1). This will  
189 increase the error compared to comparisons using experimentally-constrained pressures and  
190 temperatures (see Neave and Putirka, 2017).

191 Additional uncertainties when thermobarometers are applied to natural systems stem from the  
192 fact many equations have a term for the melt H<sub>2</sub>O content. Iterative P-T calculations on  
193 experiments with known H<sub>2</sub>O contents will underestimate the uncertainty associated with  
194 application to natural systems with uncertain H<sub>2</sub>O contents. We investigate the sensitivity of  
195 different equations to H<sub>2</sub>O to better constrain this often-neglected source of uncertainty.

196 To summarize - to get a realistic estimate of the errors associated with thermobarometry  
197 when applied to natural systems, we should be assessing performance using experimental  
198 datasets which were not used during calibration, iterating P&T, restricting comparisons to the  
199 pressure range of interest, and propagating uncertainty in melt H<sub>2</sub>O content. Comparing  
200 calculated P and T from different equations for the samples of interest is also vital to assess  
201 systematic errors associated with the choice of thermobarometry equation(s). Unless one  
202 calibration can be robustly selected as the “best” for a given system, the range of P and T  
203 from different calibrations may be representative of the true uncertainty in calculated PT  
204 conditions. The best equation for a given system may be identified by compiling experiments  
205 with similar compositions to the system of interest and assessing which thermobarometry  
206 equations best reproduce the experimental values (e.g. Hammer et al., 2016; Neave and  
207 Putirka, 2017). Alternatively, if no suitable experimental data exists, insight may be gained  
208 by comparing the dataset used to calibrate each thermobarometry equation against the natural

209 compositions of interest to evaluate the degree of extrapolation required (e.g., Wieser et al.,  
210 2022b; Wieser et al., 2022c).

211 This discussion demonstrate that there is a clear need for igneous petrologists to be able to  
212 directly compare the suitability, accuracy and precision of different thermobarometric  
213 expressions when using thermobarometric calibrations in arc magmas (and other tectonic  
214 settings). In an effort to move towards this goal and evaluate the errors associated with  
215 calculations of magma storage conditions from Cpx in subduction zones, we compile a new  
216 experimental dataset of variably hydrous, tholeiitic to calc-alkaline compositions ranging  
217 from basalts to rhyolites. We ensure that none of the test dataset was used to calibrate each  
218 model we assess.

## 219 **2. METHODS**

### 220 **2.1 ArcPL: a new test dataset for variably hydrous arc magmas**

221 Our new test dataset is mostly comprised of experiments published since 2008, when the  
222 Library of Experimental Phase Relationship (LEPR) dataset used to calibrate most existing  
223 thermobarometers was formally compiled and made available to the community (Hirschmann  
224 et al., 2008). We also compile a handful of experiments which were conducted prior to 2008  
225 but not included in the original LEPR compilation, (Berndt, 2004; Sisson et al., 2005). The  
226 full list of studies is as follows: Almeev et al., 2013; Andújar et al., 2015; Berndt, 2004;  
227 Blatter et al., 2023, 2017, 2013; Bogaerts et al., 2006; Cadoux et al., 2014; Costa, 2004;  
228 Erdmann and Koepke, 2016; Erdmann et al., 2016; Feig et al., 2010; Firth et al., 2019;  
229 Hamada and Fujii, 2008; Husen et al., 2016; Koepke et al., 2018; Krawczynski et al., 2012;  
230 Mandler et al., 2014; Marxer et al., 2022; Melekhova et al., 2015; Nakatani et al., 2022;  
231 Nandedkar et al., 2014; Neave et al., 2019, 2019; Parat et al., 2014; Parman et al., 2011;  
232 Pichavant and Macdonald, 2007; Rader and Larsen, 2013; Riker et al., 2015; Rutherford et  
233 al., 1985; Sisson et al., 2005; Solaro et al., 2019; Ulmer et al., 2018; Waters et al., 2021.

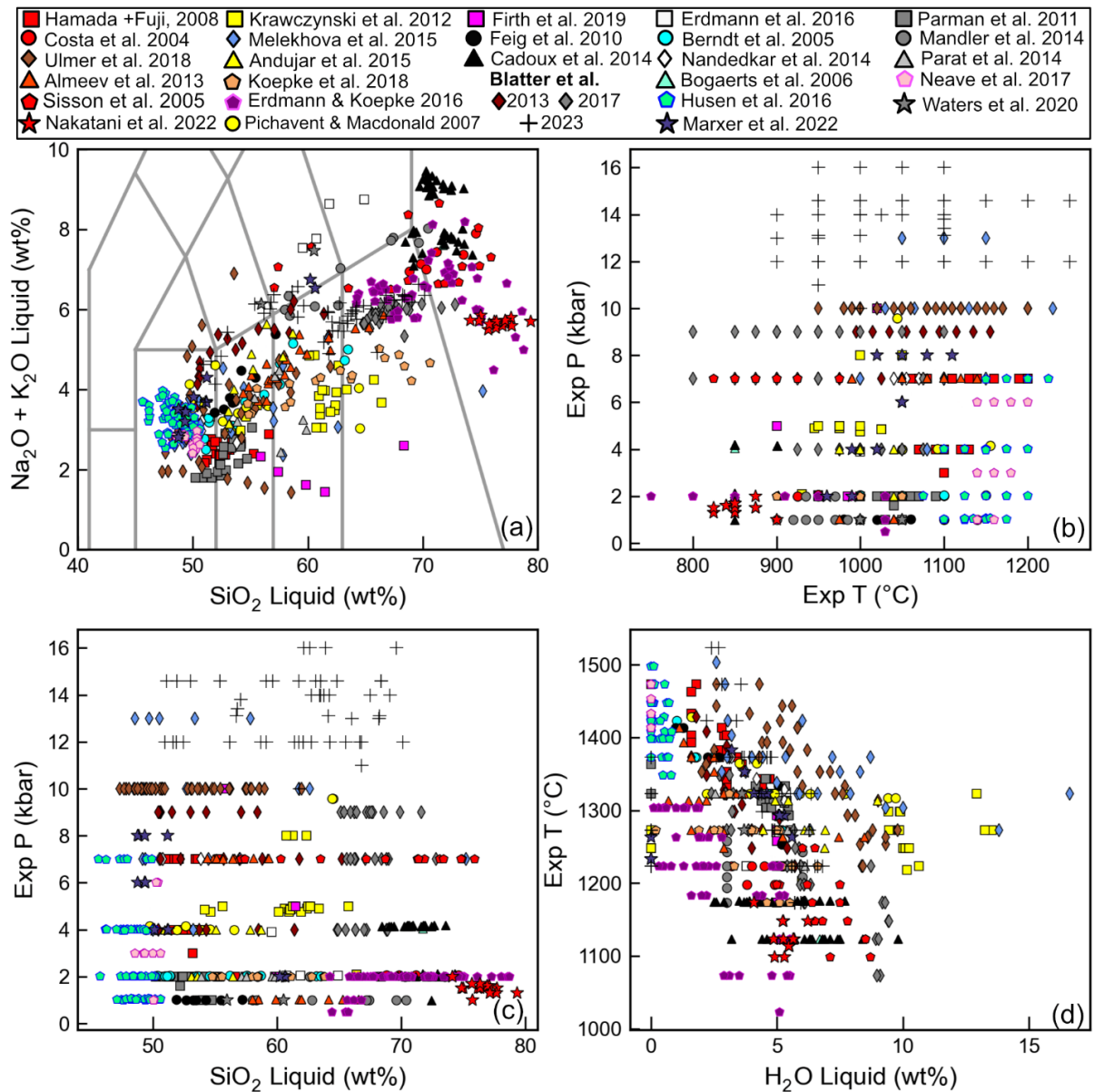
234 The liquid compositions in these studies have been normalized in different ways. In  
235 particular, many studies analysing glasses with high H<sub>2</sub>O contents have reported oxides  
236 renormalized to 100% on an anhydrous basis, while others have reported analysed totals. For  
237 consistency, we normalize all glass analyses to have an anhydrous total of 100%.

238 For other parts of the discussion (e.g., assessing values of equilibrium tests), we also consider  
239 experiments conducted on compositions relevant to arc magmas that compiled in LEPR  
240 (Baker and Eggler, 1987; Barclay, 2004; Bartels et al., 1991; Berndt et al., 2001; Blatter and  
241 Carmichael, 2001; Di Carlo, 2006; Draper and Johnston, 1992, 1992; Feig et al., 2006;  
242 Gaetani and Grove, 1998; Grove et al., 2003, 1997, 1982; Hesse and Grove, 2003;  
243 Kawamoto, 1996; Martel et al., 1999; Mercer and Johnston, 2008; Moore and Carmichael,  
244 1998). We refer to these experiments as ArcLEPR, and our newly compiled dataset as ArcPL  
245 (post-LEPR).

246 Our ArcPL dataset contains 543 Cpx-Liq pairs. There is a small amount of overlap with the  
247 training datasets of the most recent models (Jorgenson et al., 2022; Wang et al., 2021). These  
248 overlapping experiments are not used to test these specific equations. We restrict  
249 comparisons to experiments conducted at 0-17 kbar based on the crustal thickness



250 compilation of Profeta et al., (2016, assuming a crustal density of 2700 kg/m<sup>3</sup>). The  
 251 compositional, pressure (P) and temperature (T) range of this dataset is shown in Fig. 2.  
 252 While 66% of Cpx-containing experiments in LEPR do not have compiled H<sub>2</sub>O contents for  
 253 experimental glasses, we endeavour to compile as much glass H<sub>2</sub>O data as possible for our  
 254 new dataset. In cases where glass H<sub>2</sub>O data was not reported but the experiment was said to  
 255 be volatile saturated we calculate dissolved H<sub>2</sub>O using the solubility model MagmaSat  
 256 (Ghiorso and Gualda, 2015; implemented in VESIcal; Iacovino et al., 2021) using the quoted  
 257 experimental P, T and the fluid composition if given (X<sub>H<sub>2</sub>O</sub>). MagmaSat has been shown to  
 258 provide the best fit to arc magma compositions (Wieser et al., 2022c). Overall, only 22% of  
 259 our ArcPL dataset has missing H<sub>2</sub>O data, and these experiments are not considered when  
 260 assessing thermobarometers (see Section 2.2).



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 262 *Figure 2 – Compositional and P-T spread for the ArcPL dataset before the application of filters for*  
 263 *Cpx-Liq equilibrium, cation sums, number of analyses and melt H<sub>2</sub>O contents.*

## 265 2.2 Equilibrium Tests

266 One of the main issues when performing Cpx-Liq thermobarometry in natural systems is  
 267 selecting which measured Cpx compositions to pair with which liquid compositions. In arc  
 268 (and other tectonic settings), it is difficult to identify and sample erupted liquids that were in  
 269 equilibrium with a given Cpx. A number of different literature studies have taken the  
 270 approach of compiling all available whole-rock and glass data from the volcanic system and  
 271 considering all possible matches between Cpx and these Liq compositions, discarding pairs  
 272 which fall outside preferred ranges of several equilibrium tests (Gleeson et al., 2021; Neave  
 273 et al., 2019; Scruggs and Putirka, 2018). This approach, although popular, is also strongly  
 274 reliant on having reliable tests by which to assess Cpx-Liq equilibrium. Equilibrium filters  
 275 have also been applied to experimental datasets when calibrating thermobarometers (Neave  
 276 and Putirka, 2017). However, a variety of equilibrium tests and cut off values have been  
 277 proposed, and it is not always clear what values should be used. Thus, we start by evaluating  
 278 commonly used filters using the ArcPL dataset.

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 280 The most widely used equilibrium test assesses partitioning of Fe-Mg between clinopyroxene  
 281 and liquid ( $K_{D, Fe-Mg}^{Cpx-Liq}$  abbreviated as  $K_D$ ). Putirka (2008) calibrate an expression (eq35)  
 282 using LEPR experiments to calculate  $K_D$  solely as a function of temperature:

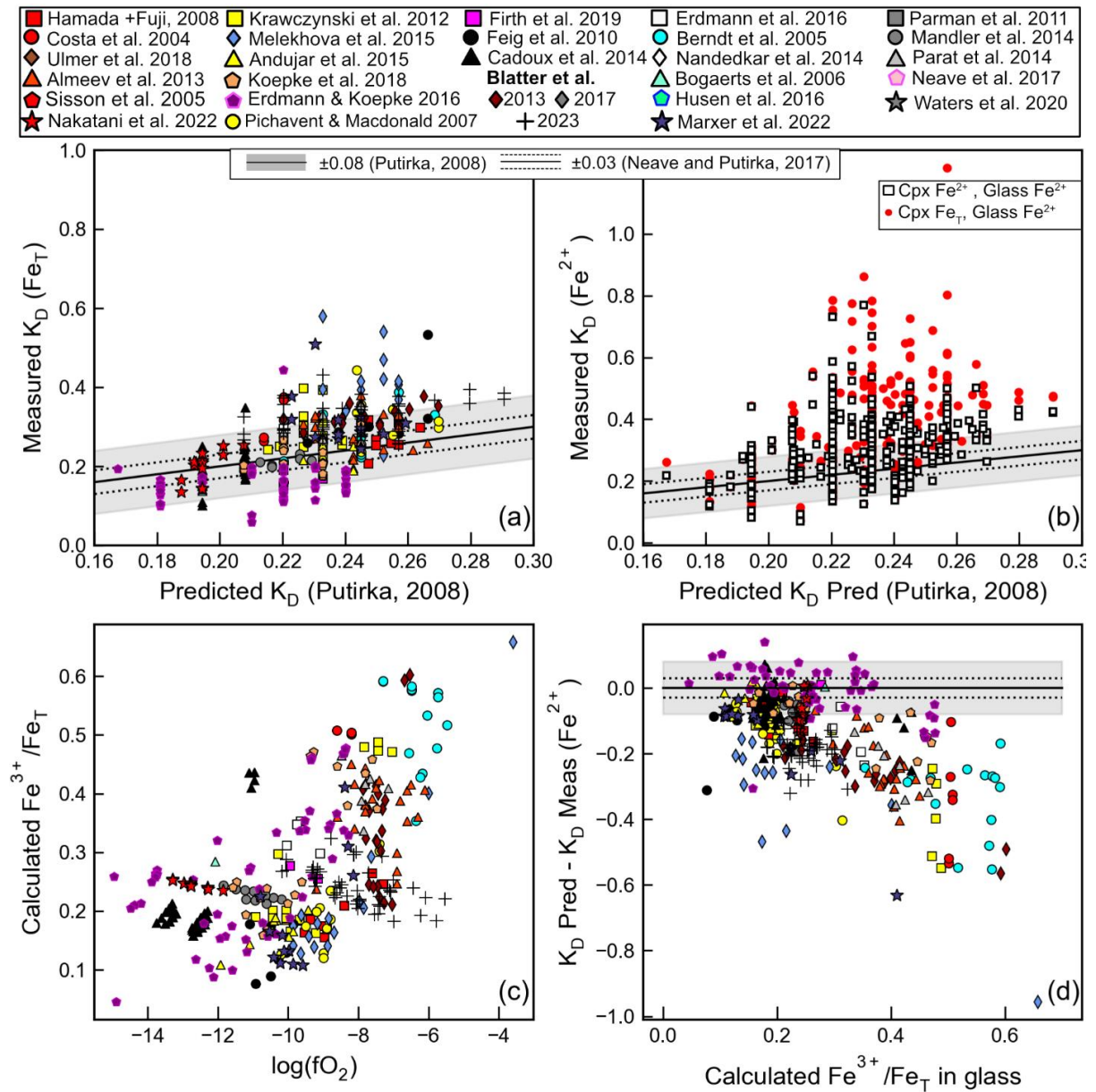
$$283 \quad K_D = e^{-0.107 - \frac{1719}{T(K)}}$$

284 There is ambiguity in the thermobarometry literature as to the best way to compute the  
 285 measured value of  $K_D$  from EPMA measurements of Fe-Mg in the Cpx and Liq. Some studies  
 286 perform the calculation using only  $Fe^{2+}$  in the liquid and  $Fe_T$  in the Cpx (e.g., Neave et al.  
 287 2017, Gleeson et al. 2020), while others use the total amount of Fe ( $Fe_T$ ) in the liquid (Putirka  
 288 et al. 2016). It is important to work out which approach works better prior to discarding  
 289 specific Cpx-Liq pairs, particularly in experiments and natural samples from arcs, which are  
 290 generally quite rich in  $Fe^{3+}$  (Carmichael, 1991; Kelley and Cottrell, 2009).

291 We calculate the proportion of  $Fe^{2+}$  in each experiment using the experimental  $fO_2$ , with the  
 292 equations of Kress and Carmichael (1988) implemented in Thermobar (an open-source  
 293 Python-based thermobarometry tool, Wieser et al., 2022b, Fig. 3). If  $fO_2$  is not given, we  
 294 calculate it from the quoted buffer position, experimental pressure and temperature. For  
 295 completeness of our assessments, we also calculate  $Fe^{2+}$  in the Cpx using the method of  
 296 (Lindsley, 1983, acknowledging stoichiometric methods estimating  $Fe^{2+}$  in minerals are  
 297 associated with large errors), and calculate  $K_D$  using just  $Fe^{2+}$  in both phases.

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 299  $K_D$  values are significantly closer to predicted values from Putirka (2008) when  $Fe_T$  in both  
 300 the liquid and Cpx are used (Fig. 3a). When using  $Fe^{2+}$  in the liquid and  $Fe_T$  in the Cpx (red  
 301 dots, Fig. 3b), many more experiments lie outside the  $\pm 0.08$  window around the predicted  
 302 value for Putirka (2008), particularly for experiments with  $>30\%$   $Fe^{3+}$  (Fig. 3d). Using  $Fe^{2+}$  in  
 303 the Liq and Cpx (black squares, Fig. 3b) also results in more experiments failing the  
 304 equilibrium test. The superior performance using just  $Fe_T$  is perhaps unsurprising, given that  
 305 eq35 of Putirka (2008) was calibrated using  $Fe_T$ . Thus, we suggest that until equilibrium tests

306 are recalibrated on a substantial volume of experimental data with well constrained Fe<sup>2+</sup>  
 307 proportions in liquid (and Cpx), it is best to use Fe<sub>T</sub> in both phases for consistency with the  
 308 calibration of eq35. Using Fe<sup>2+</sup> in the liquid could lead to more oxidised experiments (or  
 309 natural samples) being discarded incorrectly (Fig. 3d). It is also interesting that the ±0.03  
 310 filter used by many authors (Neave et al., 2019, Scruggs and Putirka, 2018) would exclude a  
 311 large amount of experimental data (66%), while the ±0.08 value from Putirka (2008) only  
 312 results in 23% of data being discarded (±0.03 marked by dotted lines, ±0.08 by the grey box  
 313 on Fig. 3). While deviation from the predicted equilibrium values may represent true  
 314 disequilibrium in experiments, to retain a reasonably sized dataset, we proceed with the  
 315 following comparisons using only experiments with measured K<sub>D</sub> values that are within  
 316 ±0.08 of predicted values calculated from eq35 of Putirka (2008).



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318 *Figure 3 - Assessment of Fe-Mg partitioning between Cpx and Liq ( $K_D$ ) in the ArcPL dataset. a-b)*  
 319 *Predicted values calculated using Putirka (2008) eq35. vs. measured values. In a),  $Fe_T$  is used in Cpx*  
 320 *and Glass to calculate the measured value. In b) the red dots show calculations using  $Fe^{2+}$  in the liquid*  
 321 *calculated using Kress and Carmichael (1988) from the quoted experimental  $fO_2$  or redox buffer (see*

322 part c), and  $Fe_T$  in the Cpx. Black squares show  $Fe^{2+}$  in the liquid and  $Fe^{2+}$  in the Cpx calculated using  
323 Lindsley and Andersen (1983). d) The discrepancy between calculated and predicted  $K_D$  values using  
324  $Fe^{2+}$  in the liquid and  $Fe_T$  in the Cpx increases with increasing proportion of  $Fe^{3+}$ . Dashed lines show  
325 the  $\pm 0.03$  value used for equilibrium tests by Neave et al. (2019), while the grey field shows the  $\pm 0.08$   
326 value suggested by Putirka (2008).

327 Wood and Blundy, (1997) also propose an expression:

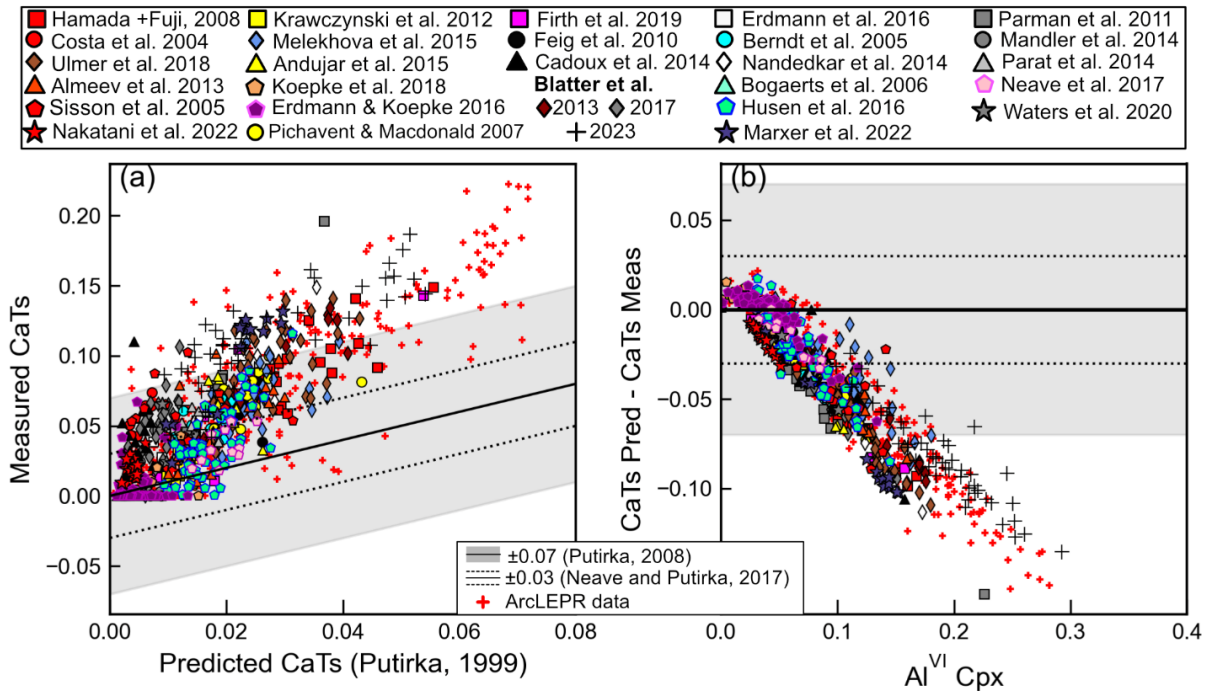
328 
$$K_D = 0.109 + \frac{0.186}{Mg\# \text{ Cpx}}$$

329 We find that this performs very poorly, with the offset between calculated and predicted  $K_D$   
330 correlating with Cpx Mg# (Supporting Fig. 2).

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332 Comparing the predicted and measured value of the Ca-Tschermak's (CaTs) component is  
333 another popular equilibrium test, with most studies using the expression of Putirka (1999) to  
334 calculate the predicted CaTs value (e.g., Gleeson et al., 2021; Neave et al., 2019). In the  
335 ArcPL dataset, there is a very poor correspondence between predicted and measured CaTs  
336 values (Fig. 4a). This is also true for experiments from LEPR conducted on compositions  
337 relevant to arc magmas (ArcLEPR, red crosses, Fig. 4a). The discrepancy between predicted  
338 and measured values is most apparent at higher measured values of CaTs (Fig. 4a), and  
339 correlates most strongly with the  $Al^{VI}$  content of the Cpx (Fig. 4b).  $Al^{VI}$  in Cpx is one of the  
340 key parameters used to calculate the CaTs component:

341 
$$CaTs = Al^{VI} - X_{Na}$$

342 This means that it is not possible to resolve this offset simply by adding in a term for  $Al^{VI}$  in  
343 the expression for predicting this component from the liquid component (as this would make  
344 it a useless equilibrium test). Clearly, the terms for liquid components, pressure and  
345 temperature used in the Putirka (1999) expression to predict the CaTs component are  
346 insufficient to account for variation in CaTs in experimental Cpx in hydrous experiments.  
347 While the RMSE= $\pm 0.07$  value of Putirka (1999) would result in most experimental pairs  
348 being "in equilibrium", use of the  $\pm 0.03$  filter of Neave et al. (2019) would cause a significant  
349 number of experimental pairs to be discarded. Given the poor correlation between predicted  
350 and measured values, and the correlation of the discrepancy with  $Al^{VI}$ , we suggest that CaTs  
351 in its current state is not a useful equilibrium test when working with arc magmas.



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353 *Figure 4 – a) Comparison of predicted and measured values of CaTs. The grey colored box shows the*  
 354  *$\pm 0.07$  error window suggested by Putirka (1999), and the dashed lines show the  $\pm 0.03$  value used by*  
 355 *Neave et al. (2019) to filter natural Cpx-Liq pairs. b) There is a strong correlation between the*  
 356 *discrepancy and the Al<sup>VI</sup> component of Cpx.*

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358 The measured Enstatite-Ferrosillite (EnFs) component shows good agreement with the  
 359 predicted components using the equation of Mollo et al. (2013) for ArcPL (Fig. 5b) and  
 360 ArcLEPR (Fig. 5a). Relatively few values lie outside the  $\pm 0.05$  error window. In contrast,  
 361 measured Diopside-Hedenbergite (DiHd) values show poor agreement with predicted values  
 362 using Mollo et al. (2013) for lower temperature experiments, particularly in the ArcPL  
 363 dataset (Fig. 5c-d). The discrepancy is even worse if DiHd is predicted using Putirka (1999).  
 364 The overprediction of calculated DiHd values at low temperatures appears to result from the  
 365 high T-sensitivity of the Mollo et al. (2013) expression at these temperatures. To demonstrate  
 366 this, we calculate predicted DiHd values for temperatures of 750-1400°C using 20 randomly-  
 367 selected Cpx-Liq pairs. Below  $\sim 1000^\circ\text{C}$ , the predicted value rapidly kicks up to higher values  
 368 (Fig. 5e, red lines). When the measured values for these 20 pairs are subtracted from the  
 369 predicted value, the resulting curves recreate the trend to higher values seen in the whole  
 370 dataset, indicating that this strong temperature-dependency is the cause of the discrepancy  
 371 (Fig. 5f). The expressions of Mollo et al (2013) were calibrated using LEPR which contains  
 372 relatively few experiments at these low temperatures (white squares, Fig. 5f). The lower  
 373 temperatures of our dataset relative to their calibration range likely result from the higher  
 374 H<sub>2</sub>O contents. These results suggest that care should be taken when applying a DiHd filter to  
 375 clinopyroxene-liquid pairs in arcs that may have crystallized below 900-1000°C, and that this  
 376 expression likely needs recalibrating with a dataset of lower temperature experiments.

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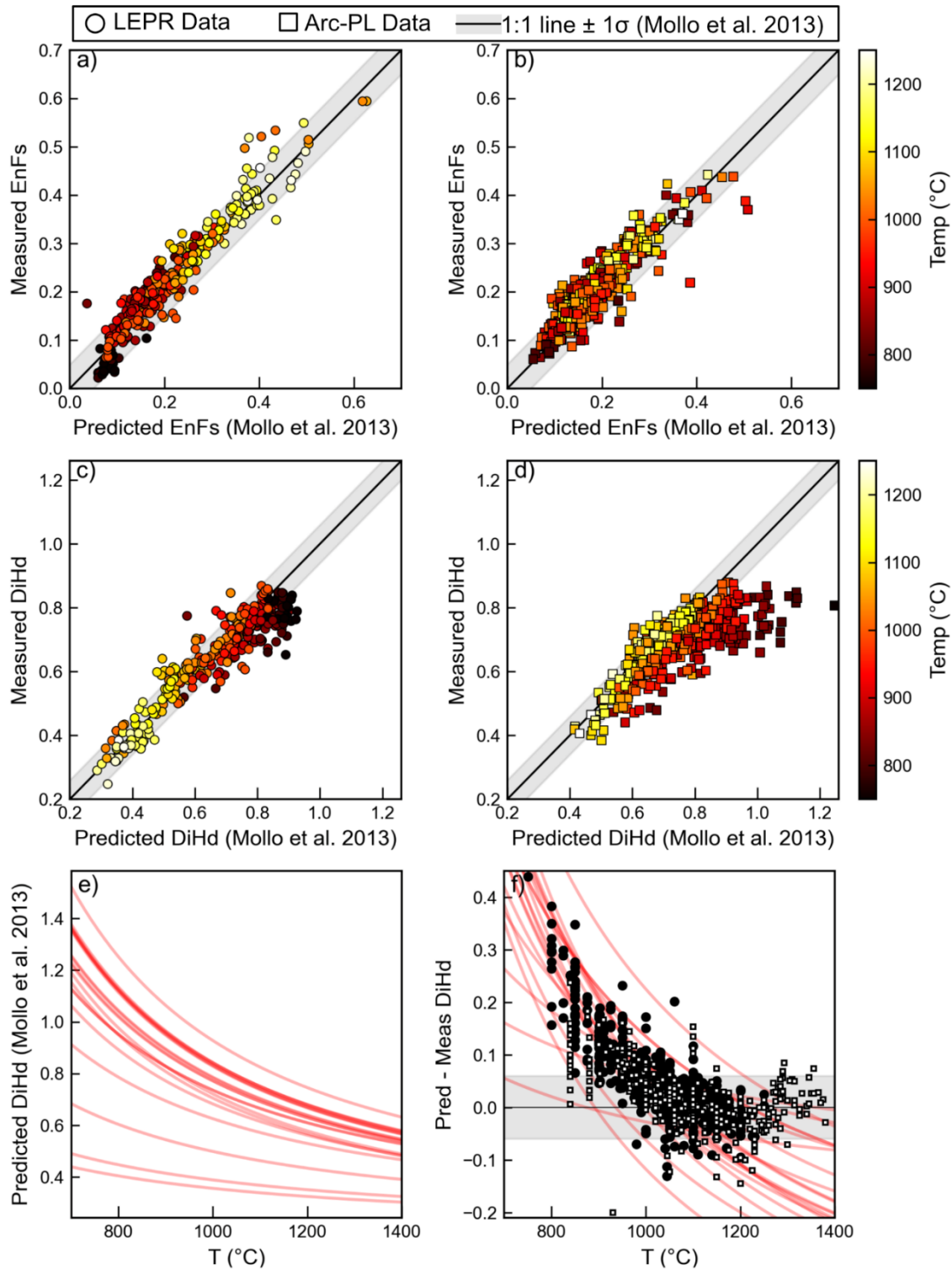
378 Finally, lesser used equilibrium tests are also of questionable utility. Only two Cpx-Liq pairs  
379 in ArcPL have a measured CaTi component outside the  $1\sigma$  range of Putirka (1999, Fig. 6a),  
380 but there is a poor correlation between predicted and measured values (indicating it is not a  
381 useful test). There is a similarly poor correspondence between predicted and calculated Jd  
382 components, with the discrepancy correlating as a function of the Na<sub>2</sub>O content of the Cpx  
383 (the main component used to calculate Jd, Fig. 6b-c). As for CaTs, this means that  
384 recalibration without knowing the Cpx composition is unlikely to be successful.

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386 Overall, these comparisons demonstrate that EnFs, DiHd (for Cpx crystallized at  $>1000^{\circ}\text{C}$ ),  
387 and  $K_D$  calculated using  $\text{Fe}_T$  with a filter of  $\pm 0.08$  rather than  $\pm 0.03$  are currently the most  
388 robust tests of equilibrium when assessing possible Cpx-Liq pairs in arc magmas. Because of  
389 the wide range of temperatures in our compiled dataset, we filter our ArcPL dataset to include  
390 only experiments within  $\pm 0.08$  of the predicted value for  $K_D$  (using  $\text{Fe}_T$ ) and within  $\pm 0.05$   
391 for EnFs. We also only include clinopyroxenes with  $[\text{Ca}/(\text{Ca}+\text{Mg}+\text{Fe}) \text{ atomic}]$  between 0.2  
392 and 0.5 (i.e. excluding pigeonites), and cation sums between 3.95 and 4.05. To help alleviate  
393 random scatter associated with analytical imprecision, we only use experiments that  
394 measured at least 5 Cpx in each experimental charge (see Wieser et al., 2022a). As many of  
395 the thermobarometers assessed here contain a term for H<sub>2</sub>O, we also only consider  
396 experiments with some form of reported H<sub>2</sub>O contents (e.g., SIMS, FTIR or Raman  
397 measurements, volatiles-by-difference, or enough information to calculate H<sub>2</sub>O using a  
398 solubility model). Of the compiled  $N=543$  new experimental charges,  $N=123$  fail the  $K_D$   
399 filter,  $N=71$  fail the EnFs filter,  $N=20$  fail the cation sums filter,  $N=156$  fail based on having  
400  $<5$  Cpx analyses, and  $N=53$  are discarded based on having no reported H<sub>2</sub>O data (see  
401 Supporting Fig. 3). Obviously, some experiments fail multiple criteria. Overall, we are left  
402 with  $N=214$  experimental charges. We use these experiments to assess the best performing  
403 thermobarometers in arc magmas.

404 Figure 5 - Comparison of measured values of EnFs and DiHd with those predicted from the  
405 expression of Mollo et al. (2013). In a), the grey bar shows  $\pm 0.05$ , while in b), the grey bar shows  
406  $\pm 0.06$  (both cut offs from Mollo et al. 2013). Symbols are coloured based on the experimental  
407 temperature. e) Predicted values of DiHd as a function of temperature using the expression of Mollo  
408 et al. (2013) for 20 randomly-selected Cpx-Liq pairs. e) The discrepancy between predicted and  
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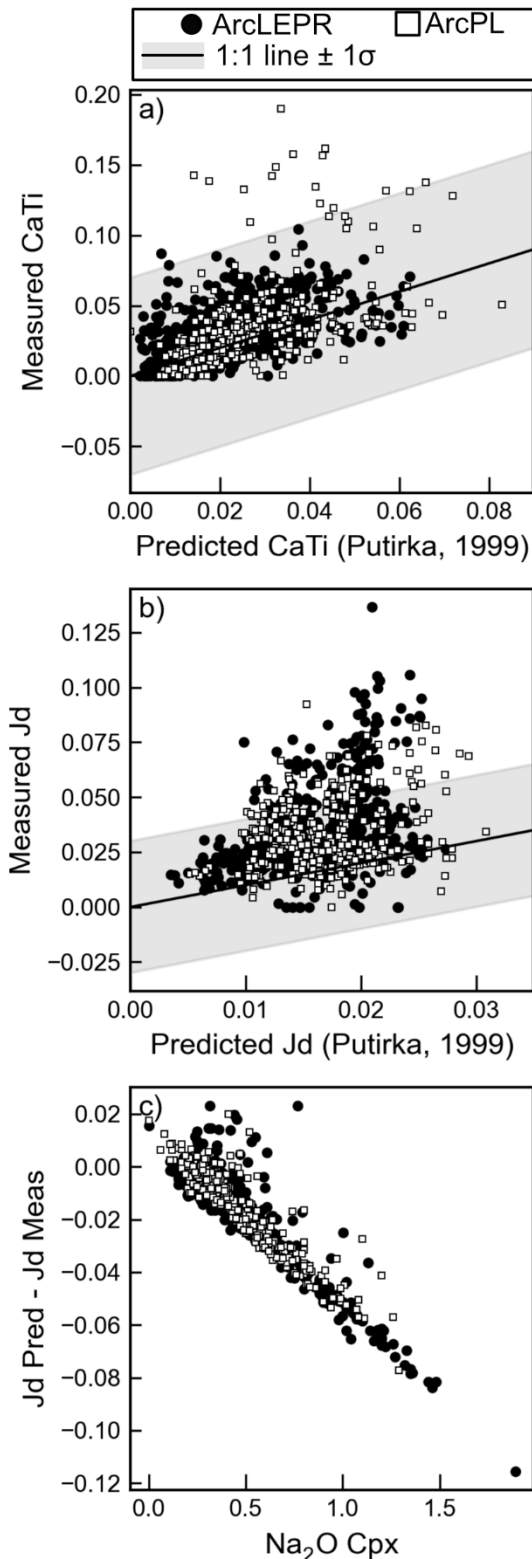


Figure 6 - The discrepancy between calculated and measured a) CaTi and b) Jd components. The discrepancy increases as a function of Na<sub>2</sub>O content of the Cpx.

### 2.3 Statistical metrics used in this paper

To assess thermobarometer performance, we calculate the statistics for a linear regression between experimental P or T (x) and calculated P and T (y), and use five statistical metrics associated with this regression to assess the performance of the equation: the correlation coefficient ( $R^2$ ), the gradient and intercept of the regression, the root mean square error (RMSE) and the mean absolute error (MAE), where:

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - y_i)^2}$$

$$MAE = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i - y_i)$$

The MAE doesn't have a squared term like the RMSE, such that it can more easily identify systematic uncertainty. The gradient of the regression and the intercept also helps identify systematic uncertainty.

## 3. DISCUSSION

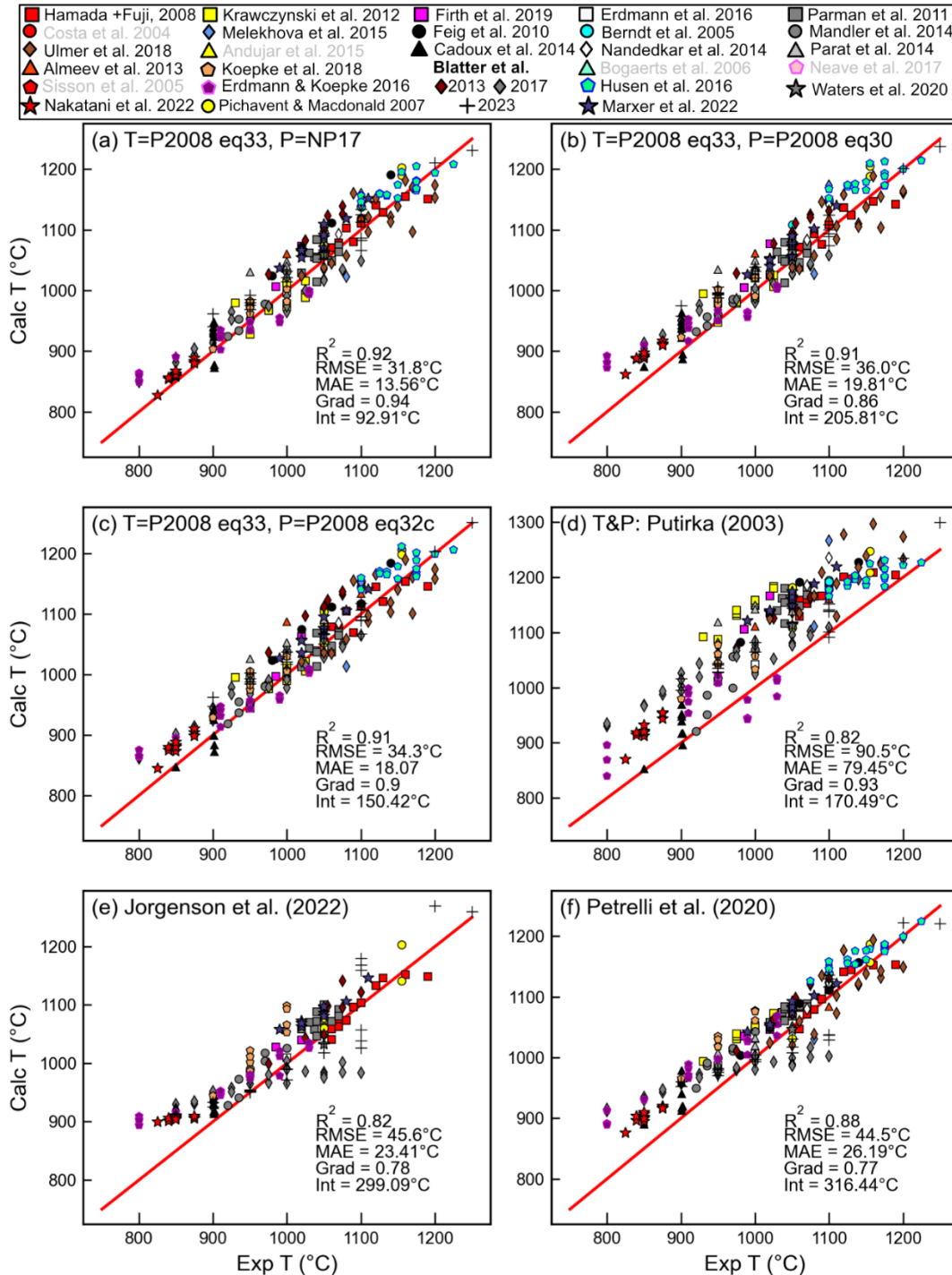
### 3.1. Assessing Cpx-Liq thermobarometers

When estimating temperature from Cpx-Liq equilibrium, iteration of the temperatures calculated using eq33 of P2008 with a variety of different barometers (P2008 eq30, P2008 eq32c, and NP17) do a good job of reproducing experimental temperatures in the ArcPL dataset (Fig. 7a-c). The best fit is obtained from iteration of P2008 eq33 with Neave and Putirka (2017, Fig. 7a), returning an  $R^2$  value of 0.92, a gradient close to 1 (0.94), and an intercept of  $\sim 93^\circ\text{C}$ . This iteration also has the lowest RMSE (31.8 $^\circ\text{C}$ ) and MAE (13.6 $^\circ\text{C}$ ).

Iteration of the thermometer and barometer of Putirka et al. (2003) substantially overestimates



464 temperature (Fig. 7d, MAE=79°C, RMSE=90.5°C), and the discrepancy is correlated with the  
 465 melt H<sub>2</sub>O content (Supporting Fig. 4a). This is unsurprising given this equation does not  
 466 contain a term for H<sub>2</sub>O in the liquid (Putirka, 2008). However, this offset is concerning as this  
 467 equation has been applied to hydrous arc magmas (Table 1).



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469 Fig. 7 – Evaluation of various Cpx-Liq thermometers (iterating P and T) for the filtered ArcPL dataset.  
 470 Experimental studies shown in Fig. 2 where all charges failed equilibrium or quality filters are greyed  
 471 out in the legend. The best thermometer for this dataset is Putirka (2008) eq 33 iterated with Neave  
 472 and Putirka (2017), indicated by the gold trophy symbol. When testing the Jorgenson et al. (2022)

473 *expression, experiments in their calibration dataset are excluded, resulting in fewer symbols being*  
474 *shown on this panel than others. A red 1:1 line is shown on each plot.*

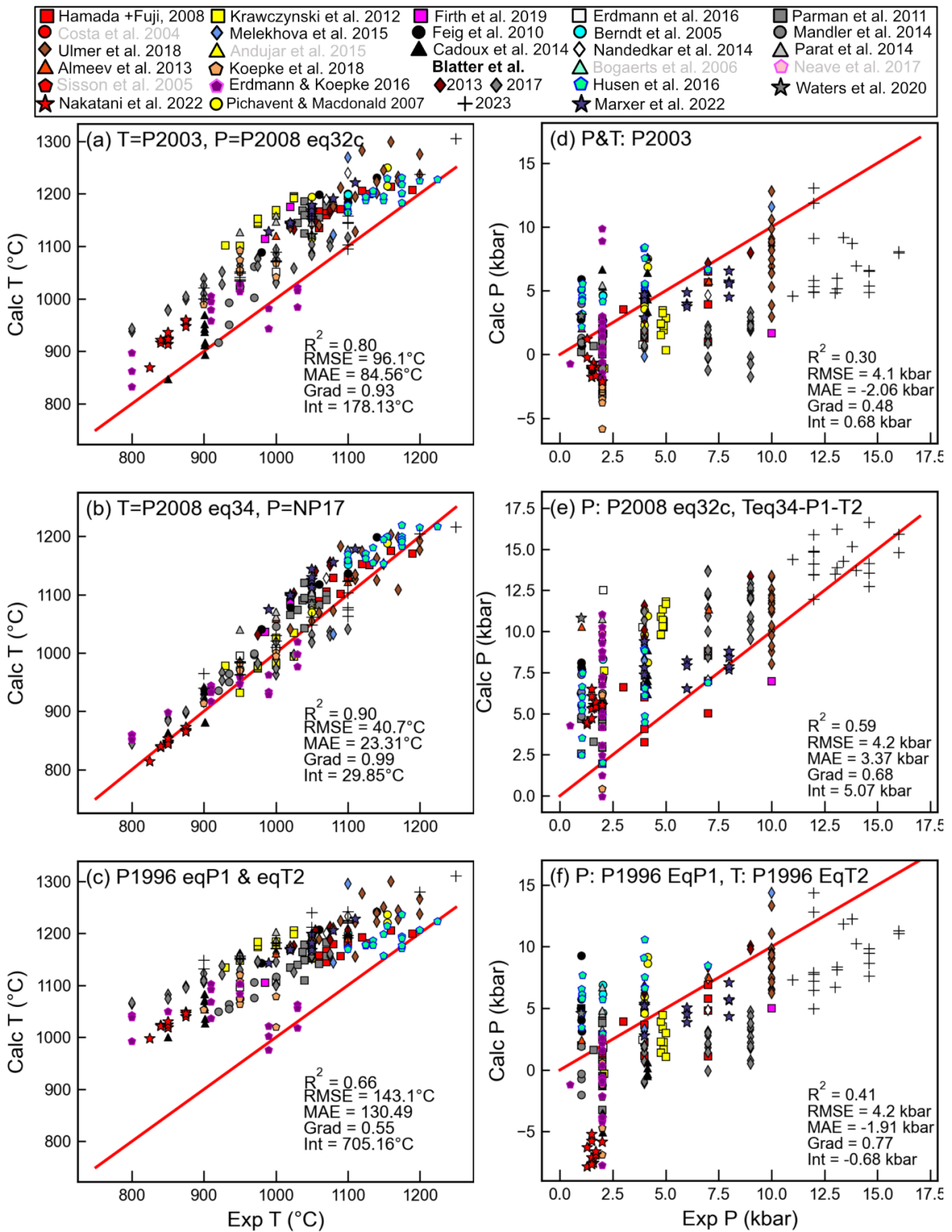
475 The machine-learning P-independent thermometer of Petrelli et al. (2020) yields worse  
476 statistics than P2008 eq33 for the ArcPL test dataset, largely because of its poor performance  
477 at <1000°C, where it overpredicts temperature (Fig. 7f). Overprediction at low values, and  
478 underprediction at high values is common for regression tree methods, as these algorithms  
479 will not return a value outside the calibration range of the training dataset. As some of the  
480 experiments in ArcPL were used to calibrate the machine learning thermobarometer of  
481 Jorgenson et al. (2022), we exclude these data when assessing this equation (Fig. 7e). For the  
482 Jorgenson et al. (2022) thermobarometers, the authors recommend using the median value  
483 calculated across all trees, rather than the mean as used by Petrelli et al. (2020). For the  
484 ArcPL dataset, the median and mean show very similar results for temperature (Supporting  
485 Fig. 5c-d), with the median having a slightly better RMSE but slightly worse  $R^2$ . We  
486 proceed using the mean value, as this results in slightly less scatter (and less visibly “boxy”  
487 results, see Supporting Figs. 5-7).

488 It is noteworthy how well the Jorgenson et al. (2022) thermometer performs given that unlike  
489 P2008 eq33 or Petrelli et al. (2020), it does not contain a term for H<sub>2</sub>O in the liquid (a  
490 parameter that is often poorly constrained in natural systems). Like Putirka et al. (2003) there  
491 is a correlation between the discrepancy between calculated and experimental temperature  
492 and H<sub>2</sub>O, but the  $R^2$  value and gradient is smaller ( $R^2=0.12$  vs. 0.33, Grad=-7.33 vs. -  
493 10.47°C/1 wt% H<sub>2</sub>O, Supporting Fig. 4b).

494 Interestingly, the Cpx-saturation thermometer of P2008 (eq34), which only uses the liquid  
495 composition, also performs well when iterated with Neave and Putirka (2017), having only a  
496 slightly higher RMSE and MAE than eq33, but a gradient closer to 1 (0.99), and a very low  
497 intercept (29.9°C, Fig. 8b). The similar performance of eq33 and eq34 raises an interesting  
498 question as to how much the temperature calculated with a Cpx-Liq thermometer is sensitive  
499 to the Cpx composition, or whether the liquid composition is dominating. Petrelli et al.  
500 (2020) examine the relative feature importance of each oxide in their machine learning  
501 model, showing that for Cpx-Liq temperatures, the three dominant features are MgO, CaO  
502 and H<sub>2</sub>O in the liquid. We examine the relative importance of the Cpx vs. Liq term for eq33  
503 of P2008 by pairing each experimental liquid with each of the N=214 Cpx in our filtered  
504 dataset. For each liquid, we compare the temperatures obtained from each Cpx to the  
505 temperature obtained from the true experimental Cpx. While the range of experimental  
506 temperatures varies by 350°C, the temperature only changes by  $\sim\pm 50^\circ\text{C}$  based on the Cpx  
507 composition (Supporting Fig. 8). Thus, users should be aware when performing Cpx-Liq  
508 thermometry that the thermometer is mostly tracking information on the provided liquid  
509 composition, not the Cpx (see also Fig. 2d of Till et al., 2012). The lack of temperature  
510 information help by Cpx is also apparent from the poor performance of Cpx-only  
511 thermometers (see Section 3.2). The importance of the liquid for temperature also emphasizes  
512 the importance of developing reliable equilibrium tests in arc magmas for identifying  
513 equilibrium Cpx-Liq pairs.

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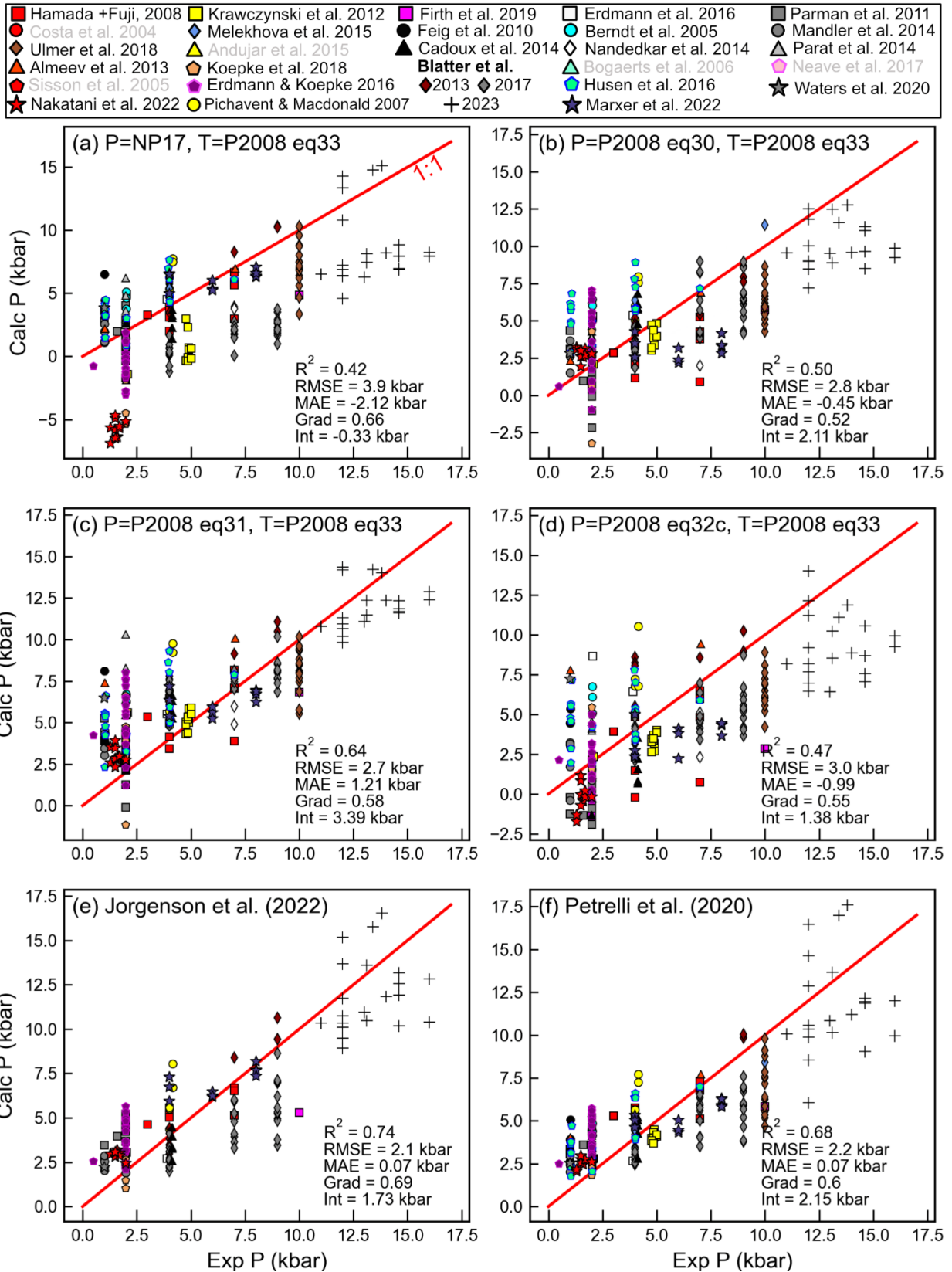
517 *Fig. 8— Evaluation of various Cpx-Liq thermobarometers (iterating P and T) using experimental water*  
518 *contents for the filtered ArcPL dataset for and temperature (left columns, parts a-c) and pressure*  
519 *(right columns, parts d-f).*

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521 Cpx-Liq barometers show substantially worse statistics than thermometers (Fig. 8d-f, Fig. 9).  
522 All barometers yield calculated pressures which form a flatter array than the 1:1 line (shown  
523 by the gradients <1). The machine-learning barometers of Jorgenson et al. (2022) shows the  
524 best performance, closely followed by Petrelli et al. (2020), although these barometers  
525 overpredict for low P experiments, as expected for regression tree algorithms. It should be  
526 noted that the dataset being used to test the Jorgenson et al. (2022) barometer is slightly  
527 different (to avoid overlap with the model calibration dataset). Using the median tree value as  
528 suggested by the authors (Supporting Fig. 5a-b) rather than the mean tree results in a  
529 substantially lower R<sup>2</sup> value (0.66 vs. 0.74), a higher RMSE (2.5 vs. 2.1 kbar), but a slightly  
530 better gradient (0.74 vs. 0.69), and intercept (0.8 vs. 1.7 kbar, Fig. 5). Notably, at the very  
531 lowest pressures, the median tree does not experience the overestimation issues to the same  
532 degree as the mean tree.

533 Jorgenson et al. (2022) also suggest that the interquartile range (IQR) of the values returned  
534 by all trees for a given Cpx could be used to help filter out poor results in machine-learning-  
535 based thermobarometers, which may help improve the performance of their  
536 thermobarometers further. They suggest filtering out analyses where the IQR is more than  
537 twice the stated RMSE on the thermobarometer. Unfortunately, we find that there is no clear  
538 correlation between the discrepancy between experiment and calculated pressure (or  
539 temperature), and the IQR of trees (Supporting Fig. 7). This figure also shows there is no  
540 correlation between the offset and IQR for the Petrelli et al. (2020) thermobarometers. Thus,  
541 at present, it does not seem that applying such a filter is useful. The IQR filter also do not  
542 seem to improve statistics for the Cpx-only thermobarometers discussed below (Supporting  
543 Fig. 14).

544 The iterated barometer of Neave and Putirka (2017) with P2008 eq33 thermometer  
545 underpredicts P for the vast majority of experiments (Fig. 9a), shown by the strongly negative  
546 MAE (-2.12 kbar) and large RMSE (3.9 kbar). P2008 eq31 and eq30 iterated with eq33 show  
547 similar performance to one another, with both having relatively low gradients and high  
548 intercepts (eq30, Grad=0.52, Int=2.11, Fig. 9b, eq31, Grad=0.58, Int=3.39, Fig. 9c). Thus,  
549 they both will overestimate the pressures of low P Cpx, and underestimate for high P Cpx.  
550 Putirka (2003, Fig. 8d) forms a very scattered cloud, with similar pressures returned for  
551 experiments conducted at 17 and 2 kbar (R<sup>2</sup> is only 0.3, Grad=0.48, RMSE=4.1 kbar). P2008  
552 eq32c using various T estimates (Fig. 8e, Fig. 9d) and P1996 EqP1 and EqT2 (Fig. 8f) also  
553 show poor performance.



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555 Fig 9 – Evaluation of Cpx-Liq pressures for the filtered ArcPL dataset.

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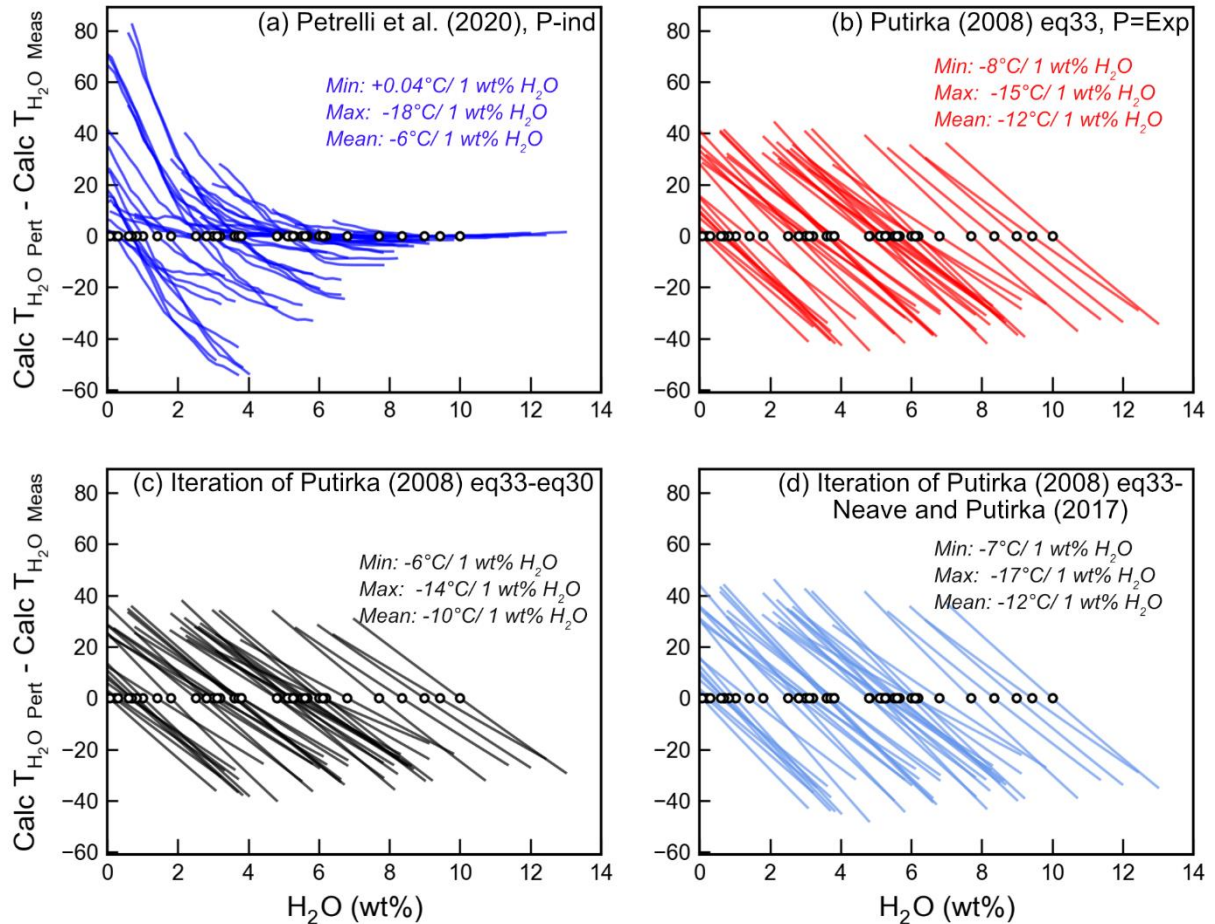
557 *3.1.1. Sensitivity of Cpx-Liq thermobarometry to H<sub>2</sub>O*

558 For the comparisons shown in Fig. 7-9, experimental H<sub>2</sub>O contents were used when  
559 calculations required it. However, in most natural systems, the H<sub>2</sub>O content of the melt is  
560 highly uncertain, particularly in volcanic systems with no melt inclusion data (e.g., because  
561 of a paucity of rapidly-quenched tephra, or at understudied volcanoes). Indeed, the vast  
562 majority of Cpx-Liq thermobarometry in arcs has been done using XRF analyses of whole-  
563 rock samples. Thus, we investigate how much changing H<sub>2</sub>O influences the calculated  
564 temperature (Fig. 10) and pressure (Fig. 11), to give insight into the additional sources of  
565 uncertainty affecting calculations in variably hydrous arc systems.

566 We randomly select 41 Cpx-Liq pairs from ArcPL. For each of these pairs, we perform  
567 calculations at the experimental H<sub>2</sub>O, and then perturb H<sub>2</sub>O by  $\pm 3$  wt%, which represents a  
568 reasonable uncertainty on the water content of arc systems (where melt inclusion  
569 measurements of H<sub>2</sub>O generally vary between ~0-6 wt% H<sub>2</sub>O; Plank et al., 2013). For each  
570 discrete H<sub>2</sub>O content, we take the calculated temperature and pressure, and subtract the value  
571 calculated using the experimental H<sub>2</sub>O content. We do not show results performed using  
572 negative water contents. The variation in H<sub>2</sub>O for each Cpx-Liq pair is shown as a single line,  
573 stretching either side of a black circle showing the experimental H<sub>2</sub>O content (where the  
574 difference between the perturbed and experimental calculation is 0, Fig. 10-11).

575 Different calibration approaches show different sensitivity to H<sub>2</sub>O perturbations. The  
576 regression-tree nature of the Cpx-Liq thermometer of Petrelli et al. (2020) means that it  
577 exhibits a more complex non-linear sensitivity to H<sub>2</sub>O (blue lines, Fig. 10a), where at lower  
578 H<sub>2</sub>O contents, it is extremely sensitive to H<sub>2</sub>O, with temperatures decreasing by as much as  
579 70°C for a ~2 wt% increase in H<sub>2</sub>O. At higher H<sub>2</sub>O contents, calculated temperature changes  
580 very little, and in some cases, actually increase with increasing H<sub>2</sub>O. P2008 eq33 (using  
581 experimental pressures) shows a clear decline in calculated temp with H<sub>2</sub>O, with much more  
582 similar trends between different samples than for Petrelli et al. (2020, Fig. 10b). When eq33  
583 is iterated with P from eq30 instead of using experimental pressures, the temperature still  
584 drops (Fig. 10c), but there is a smaller decrease per unit increase in H<sub>2</sub>O than in Fig. 10b.  
585 There is also a reasonably similar drop with increasing H<sub>2</sub>O for eq33 iterated with NP17 (Fig.  
586 10d). Excluding Petrelli et al. (2020), an uncertainty in H<sub>2</sub>O of only 1 wt% corresponds to an  
587 uncertainty in temperature of 10°C.

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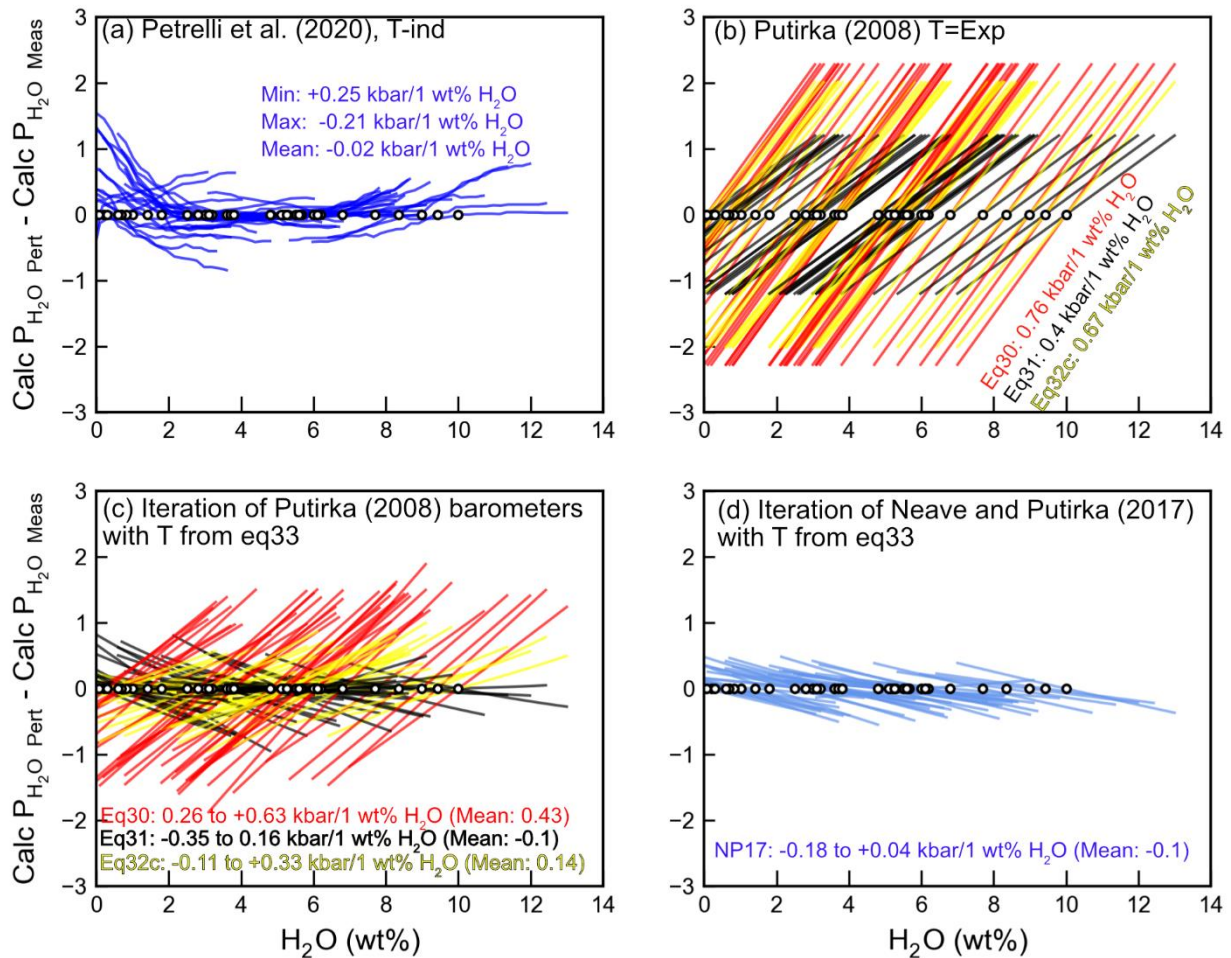


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590 *Figure 10 - Sensitivity of calculated temperature to melt H<sub>2</sub>O content for 41 randomly selected Cpx-*  
 591 *Liq pairs. For each Cpx-Liq pair, we add a linearly-spaced ranging from -3 to +3 to the experimental*  
 592 *H<sub>2</sub>O content, and calculations are performed for each discrete H<sub>2</sub>O value (e.g. for H<sub>2</sub>O=4 wt%,*  
 593 *calculations are performed from 1-7 wt%). The calculated temperature for the measured H<sub>2</sub>O content*  
 594 *are subtracted from the calculation for the perturbed H<sub>2</sub>O content. This change in temperature for*  
 595 *each Cpx-Liq pair is displayed as a colored line, passing through the H<sub>2</sub>O content of the experiment*  
 596 *(where the T discrepancy is 0). We calculate the max and min change in temperature, and the mean*  
 597 *change, for all 41 selected pairs.*

598 Performing the same exercise for Cpx-Liq barometers, we find that Petrelli et al. (2020)  
 599 shows erratic behaviour, with calculated pressure decreasing with increasing H<sub>2</sub>O until ~6  
 600 wt%, then increasing again (Fig. 11a). However, the change for all samples is relatively small  
 601 (<1 kbar). When using experimental temperatures, eq30, eq31, and eq32c show an increase in  
 602 calculated pressure with increasing H<sub>2</sub>O, and all samples show the same gradient (because the  
 603 H<sub>2</sub>O term is multiplied by a constant in each of these equations, Fig. 11b). In contrast, these  
 604 three barometers show very different behaviour when iterated with eq33, reflecting the fact  
 605 that temperature and pressure are both affected by H<sub>2</sub>O, and they are being iteratively solved  
 606 (Fig. 11c). In all cases, the change in calculated pressure with changing H<sub>2</sub>O for iterative  
 607 calculations is more subtle than when using experimental temperatures. This is because  
 608 increasing H<sub>2</sub>O decreases the temperature, which decreases the pressure, counteracting the  
 609 effect of increasing H<sub>2</sub>O increasing the pressure. The effect of changing temperature is so

610 dominant for eq31 that iterative calculations see a decrease in pressure with increasing H<sub>2</sub>O  
 611 (although the effect is relatively subtle). Iteration of eq30 and eq33 is the most sensitive to  
 612 H<sub>2</sub>O, with uncertainty of just 1 wt% in H<sub>2</sub>O results in an uncertainty in pressure of 0.26-0.63  
 613 kbar. The NP17 barometer has no H<sub>2</sub>O term, but iterative calculations using this barometer  
 614 will be H<sub>2</sub>O-sensitive if a H<sub>2</sub>O-sensitive thermometer is used (because of the T term in the  
 615 barometer). Iteration with eq33 results in a relatively small H<sub>2</sub>O effect (0.09 kbar per 1 wt%  
 616 H<sub>2</sub>O, Fig. 11d).



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 618 Figure 11 -Using the same method described in Fig. 10, we investigate the sensitivity of calculated  
 619 pressure to H<sub>2</sub>O.

620  
 621 Given that temperature and pressure sensitivity is highly dependent on the choice of  
 622 equations to iterate, we suggest that in systems where H<sub>2</sub>O is not very well constrained, users  
 623 should propagate uncertainties using methods similar to those here, to assess the possible  
 624 systematic uncertainty introduced by H<sub>2</sub>O terms in equations.

### 625 3.2. Assessing suitable Cpx-only thermobarometers

626 The poor behaviour of many Cpx-Liq equilibrium tests in arc compositions, and the difficulty  
 627 identifying liquid compositions in arcs where many erupted materials are highly crystalline,  
 628 means that it would be advantageous to be able to use Cpx-only thermobarometers to deduce



629 magma storage conditions. We assess the performance of the Cpx-only thermobarometers  
630 from Putirka (2008), Petrelli et al. (2020), Jorgenson et al. (2022) and Wang et al. (2021).  
631 None of the experiments in our ArcPL test dataset appear in the calibration datasets of  
632 Putirka (2008) and Petrelli et al. (2020). Wang et al. (2021) include the experiments of Berndt  
633 (2004) and Husen et al. (2016). The calibration dataset of Jorgenson et al. (2022) has  
634 substantial overlap with our test dataset (Almeev et al., 2013; Berndt, 2004; Feig et al., 2010;  
635 Husen et al., 2016; Krawczynski et al., 2012; Melekhova et al., 2015; Nandedkar et al., 2014;  
636 Parat et al., 2014; Ulmer et al., 2018). To obtain the largest possible test dataset here, we  
637 exclude these overlapping experiments when testing each thermobarometer only in Fig. 12-  
638 13. For fair comparisons between the best barometers in Fig. 15, we only use data that is not  
639 in any of the calibration datasets.

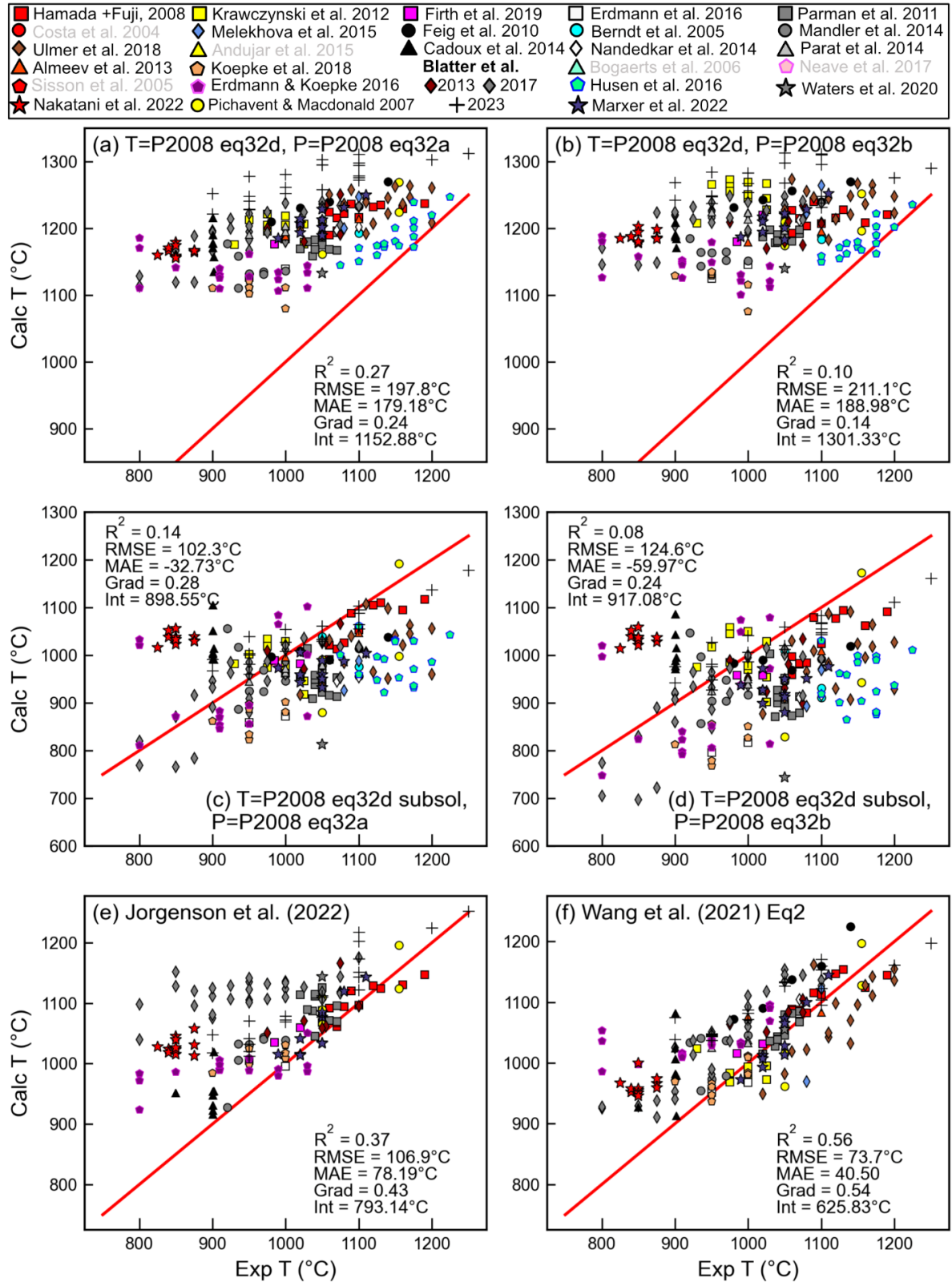
640 Putirka (2008) presents a number of Cpx-only thermobarometers. P2008 eq32d is a P-  
641 sensitive, H<sub>2</sub>O-independent Cpx-only thermometer. There is also a subsolidus version of  
642 eq32d. P2008 eq32a is a T-sensitive barometer which only uses the composition of the  
643 Cpx, while eq32b also requires users to specify the H<sub>2</sub>O content of the liquid. Petrelli et al.  
644 (2020) present a Cpx-only barometer calibrated using an extra trees regression (with no H<sub>2</sub>O  
645 term), but do not present a Cpx-only thermometer. Jorgenson et al. (2022) present a Cpx-only  
646 thermometer and barometer, neither of which include a H<sub>2</sub>O term. Finally, Wang et al. (2021)  
647 present a thermometer (eq2) which has a H<sub>2</sub>O term but is P-independent, and a barometer  
648 (eq1) which has a T and H<sub>2</sub>O term.

649 When P2008 eq32d (T) is iterated with eq32a or eq32b (P), very similar temperatures are  
650 returned regardless of the experimental temperature (Fig. 12a-b,  $R^2=0.1-0.27$ , Grad=0.14-  
651 0.24). For completeness we also test the subsolidus version of eq32d. This performs slightly  
652 better (lower RMSE and MAE), but it greatly underestimates higher temperature experiments  
653 (Fig. 12c-d). Putirka (2008) note that eq32d underestimates temperatures in hydrous systems,  
654 and indeed we find a correlation between the discrepancy (Exp-Calc T) and H<sub>2</sub>O in the liquid  
655 (eq32d-32b,  $R^2=0.47$ , grad= $\sim -26^\circ\text{C}/1\text{ wt}\%$ , eq32d-32a:  $R^2=0.35$ , grad= $\sim -20^\circ\text{C}/1\text{ wt}\%$ ,  
656 Supporting Fig. 10). Thus, we do not recommend using either of these Cpx-only  
657 thermometers in hydrous arc magmas.

658 The Jorgenson et al. (2022) Cpx-only thermometer also overpredicts (Fig. 12e) for lower  
659 temperature experiments, and the discrepancy correlates with H<sub>2</sub>O ( $R^2=0.49$ , grad= $\sim -28^\circ\text{C}/1$   
660 wt%, Supporting Fig. 10). The median and mean of trees show similarly poor performance  
661 (Supporting Fig. 11-12).

662 The Wang et al. (2021) thermometer performs the best (Fig. 12f), which is perhaps  
663 unsurprising given that this is the only Cpx-only thermometer which contains a H<sub>2</sub>O term.  
664 However, it is worth noting that this equation was only calibrated using liquids with SiO<sub>2</sub>  
665 contents <60 wt% (e.g., basalts and basaltic-andesites). We find that the discrepancy between  
666 the experimental and calculated temperatures increases greatly at higher SiO<sub>2</sub> contents  
667 (overpredicting by 200-300°C for the most silicic compositions in our test dataset, Supporting  
668 Fig. 13). When only experimental Cpx crystallized in liquids with SiO<sub>2</sub><60 wt% are  
669 considered, this thermometer performs much better (Supporting Fig. 13), with an  $R^2=0.57$ ,

670 and RMSE=41.6°C. The main problem is that it is difficult to identify from Cpx  
671 compositions alone whether a given crystal formed from a liquid with SiO<sub>2</sub>>60 wt%. We do  
672 not find any robust correlations between Cpx composition and the calculated temperature  
673 discrepancy that could be used to apply this filter in natural systems. Thus, the Wang et al.  
674 (2021) thermometer needs to be used with extreme care in systems where Cpx may have  
675 crystallized from higher SiO<sub>2</sub> liquids. Overall, it is clear from this comparison that Cpx  
676 compositions grown from arc magmas do not hold sufficient temperature information without  
677 an independent estimate on the melt H<sub>2</sub>O content from which they grew. Even when H<sub>2</sub>O is  
678 included in the regression, Cpx compositions do not result in a very precise or accurate  
679 thermometer.

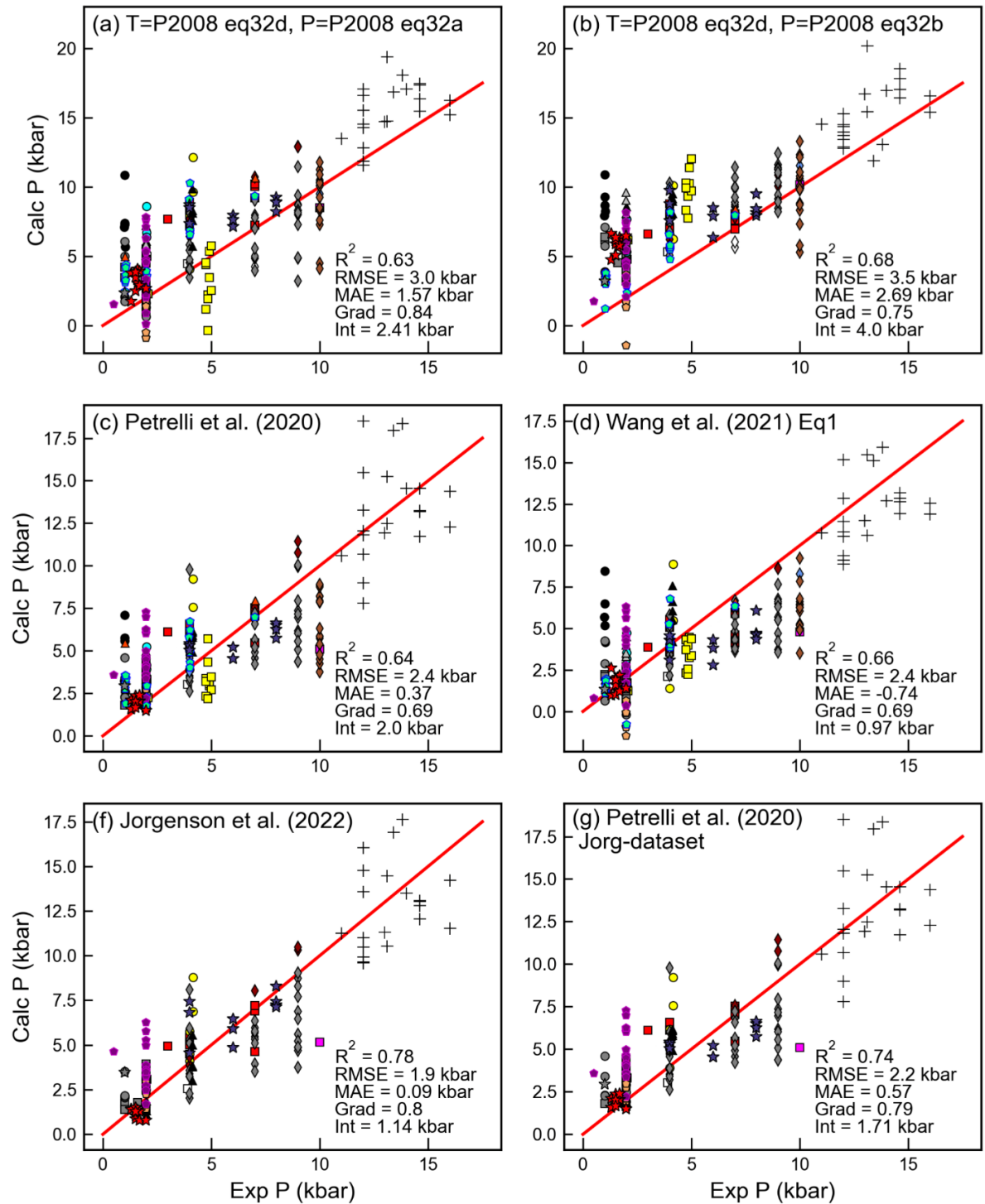


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681 *Figure 12 – Comparison of calculated and experimental temperatures for different Cpx-only*  
 682 *thermobarometry combinations. For Jorgenson et al. (2022) and Wang et al. (2021), experiments in*  
 683 *their calibration dataset are excluded.*

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685 Like Cpx-Liq barometers, all Cpx-only barometers have intercepts  $>0$ , and gradients  $<1$  (Fig.  
686 13). These non-negative intercepts indicate that all equations overpredict pressure for the  
687 lowest pressure experiments (e.g., intercept of 2.4 kbar for eq32d-eq32a, 4 kbar for eq32d-  
688 eq32b, and 2 kbar for Petrelli et al. 2020). The Jorgenson et al. (2022) barometer performs the  
689 best, with a high gradient (0.8), and a reasonably low intercept (1.1 kbar) and RMSE (1.9  
690 kbar). As for Cpx-Liq, if the median tree is used rather than the mean, the  $R^2$  and RMSE  
691 value is worse, but the gradient and intercept slightly better (largely because the median is  
692 zero for many low pressure experiments, Supporting Fig. 11). When Petrelli et al. (2020) is  
693 applied to the same small dataset used to assess Jorgenson et al. (2022), it is clear Jorgenson  
694 et al. (2022) performs slightly better (Fig. 13f vs. g). This is likely because Jorgenson et al.  
695 (2022) have more hydrous arc-like magma compositions in their calibration dataset.



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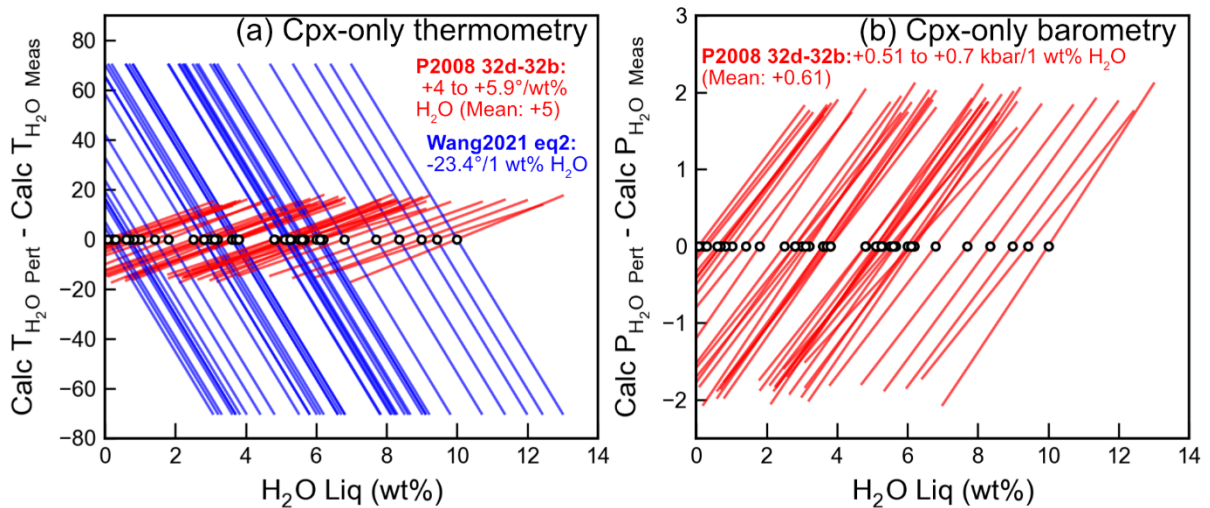
697 Figure 13 - Assessment of Cpx-only barometers. For Jorgenson et al. (2022) and Wang et al. (2021),  
 698 experiments in their calibration dataset are excluded.

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700 3.2.1. Sensitivity of Cpx-only thermobarometry to H<sub>2</sub>O

701 It is unlikely that H<sub>2</sub>O contents will be precisely known when applying Cpx-only  
 702 thermobarometry to natural systems (unless melt inclusions in Cpx are analysed). As for Cpx-  
 703 Liq, we assess the sensitivity of different equation combinations to the melt H<sub>2</sub>O contents, to  
 704 give insights into the additional uncertainties when applying these equations to natural  
 705 systems. The Wang et al. (2021) ‘Cpx-only’ thermometer (eq2) is extremely sensitive to  
 706 H<sub>2</sub>O, with calculated temperature decreasing by 23.4°C per 1 wt% H<sub>2</sub>O added (Fig. 14a).  
 707 While eq32d does not have a H<sub>2</sub>O term itself, eq32b does, meaning that when these are  
 708 iterated, calculated temperature actually increases with increasing H<sub>2</sub>O (because H<sub>2</sub>O changes  
 709 pressure, which changes temperature). Fortunately, this seemingly spurious effect arising  
 710 from iteration is quite subtle, with temperature only increasing by ~4-5.6°C per 1 wt% H<sub>2</sub>O  
 711 added (Fig. 14a).

712 Of the Cpx-only barometers discussed here, only eq32b contains a H<sub>2</sub>O term. Calculated  
 713 pressures increase quite dramatically with added H<sub>2</sub>O (mean increase of +0.61 kbar per 1  
 714 wt% H<sub>2</sub>O, Fig. 14b). This represents an additional source of error when applying this  
 715 equation in natural systems and should be propagated to obtain an uncertainty estimate. The  
 716 strong sensitivity to H<sub>2</sub>O for some of these equations raises a semantic point of whether these  
 717 should truly be considered Cpx-only equations. However, the vast majority of studies  
 718 deploying Cpx-Liq barometry in arc magmas are using whole-rock XRF analyses in place of  
 719 measured glass compositions, which do not hold any information on H<sub>2</sub>O. Thus, it is  
 720 necessary for studies to estimate the liquid H<sub>2</sub>O content to perform calculations (e.g., from  
 721 melt inclusion analyses in the system of interest, Scruggs and Putirka, 2018), regardless of  
 722 whether they are using Cpx-Liq or Cpx-only expressions.



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724 Figure 14 –As for Fig. 10, investigating the sensitivity of Cpx-only pressures and temperatures to H<sub>2</sub>O  
 725 content in the melt.

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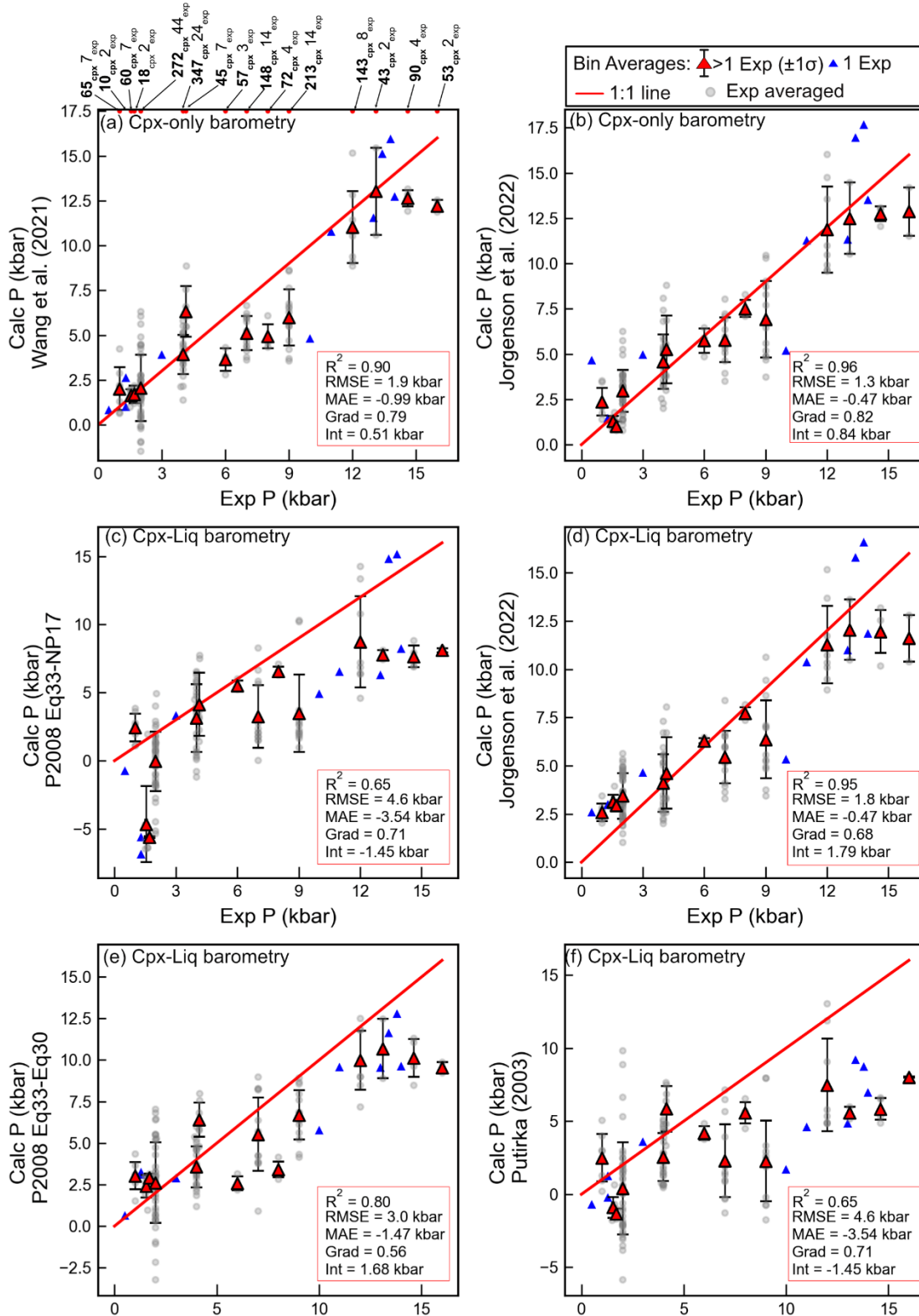
727 **3.3. What is the resolution of Cpx-based thermobarometry in natural systems?**

728 Our new test dataset shows that if melt H<sub>2</sub>O contents are well constrained, Cpx-Liq  
729 thermometers can achieve RMSE errors of ~30-40°C, although it should be noted that this is  
730 mostly attributed to the temperature information held in the liquid (shown by the similar  
731 performance of Liq-only and Cpx-Liq thermometers, and poor performance of Cpx-only  
732 thermometers). Fig. 10 also shows the strong sensitivity of the best performing thermometers  
733 to melt H<sub>2</sub>O contents; uncertainty of just 1 wt% for H<sub>2</sub>O contents leads to a systematic  
734 uncertainty in temperature of ~8-15°C for the most successful thermometer (eq33, varies with  
735 sample and selected barometer). Cpx-only thermometers are inaccurate and imprecise when  
736 applied to arc magmas (Fig. 12f), even if melt H<sub>2</sub>O is taken into account. The discrepancy  
737 between calculated and experimental temperatures is particularly large for low temperature  
738 Cpx forming from more silicic melt compositions (>300°C).

739 Many popular Cpx-Liq and Cpx-only barometers are associated with large systematic and  
740 random errors. Systematic error is the reason why many equations have gradients and  
741 intercepts substantially different from the 1:1 line when plotted in experimental P vs. Calc P  
742 space. These uncertainties may arise from the fact that hydrous experiments are relatively  
743 poorly represented in the calibration dataset of many barometers, as well as the regression  
744 strategy in the case of tree-based regressions. Sources of random error account in part for  
745 large RMSEs and low R<sup>2</sup> values are discussed in detail in Part I of this series (Wieser et al.  
746 2022a). Briefly, Wieser et al. (2022a) suggests that a substantial amount of random error is  
747 introduced because of low analytical precision during analyses of minor components such as  
748 Na<sub>2</sub>O in experimental Cpx. We have attempted to mitigate the effect of this by only using  
749 experiments which averaged >5 Cpx measurements, but barometers still show very scattered  
750 performance when applied to individual experimental charges. Thus, we investigate whether  
751 averaging multiple different experiments conducted at similar pressures can help improve  
752 barometer performance, by averaging out sources of random analytical and experimental  
753 error (following Putirka et al. 1996).

754 We show averages for the best behaving Cpx-Liq barometer and Cpx-only barometer  
755 (Jorgenson et al. 2022), as well as the second best Cpx-only barometer of Wang et al. (2021).  
756 Given their popularity in papers performing thermobarometry in arc magmas, we also show  
757 iteration of P2008 eq33 with Neave and Putirka, (2017), iteration of the P and T equations  
758 from Putirka (2003) and iteration of P2008 eq33-30 (Table 1, Fig. 15). To compare these  
759 thermobarometers, we only use experiments which do not appear in the calibration datasets of  
760 any of these six thermobarometers. We round experimental pressures to the nearest 0.2 kbar.  
761 Then, for each unique rounded pressure in the dataset, we calculate the total number of Cpx  
762 within that pressure 'bin'. For example, at 1 kbar, there are seven different experimental  
763 charges, which analysed a total of 65 Cpx (and these experiments could have been conducted  
764 from 1.8 to 2.2 kbar). For these seven experimental charges, we calculate the mean and ±1σ  
765 of the calculated pressures and experimental pressures. If more than one experimental charge  
766 was present in this pressure bin, we display the average pressure as a red triangle with an  
767 error bar (Fig. 15). We calculate statistics for the regression between calculated and predicted  
768 pressures in each bin. If only one experimental charge was present in that pressure window,

769 we show a blue triangle (and exclude this datapoint when calculating statistics). A  
 770 comparable figure using all bin averages to calculate statistics is shown in Supporting Fig. 15.





772 *Fig 15 – Assessment of effect of averaging on Cpx-only (a-b) and Cpx-Liq barometry (c-f). After*  
773 *rounding experimental pressures to the nearest 0.2 kbar, we average calculated pressures for*  
774 *experiments in the same pressure bin. We show bin averages with >1 experimental charge in red as*  
775 *diamonds, with statistics within the red box. Bins with only 1 experimental charge are shown as blue*  
776 *triangles and not used to calculate statistics. A figure showing statistics for all bins is shown in the*  
777 *supporting information. Experiments averaged for the red triangles are shown as transparent grey*  
778 *symbols. The number of Cpx and number of experimental charges for each bin is indicated in part a).*

779 Averaging multiple experiments yields greatly improved statistics vs. use of only the average  
780 Cpx and Glass composition for each experimental charge (compare Fig 15a vs. Fig. 13d, Fig  
781 15b vs. Fig. 13f, Fig. 15c vs. Fig. 9a, Fig. 15d vs. Fig. 9e, see also Putirka et al. 1999). For  
782 example, using individual experiments, the Cpx-only barometer of Jorgenson et al. (2022)  
783 has a  $R^2$  of 0.78 using individual charges vs. 0.96 when experiments with similar pressures  
784 are averaged, and the RMSE reduces from 1.9 kbar to 1.3 kbar. This indicates that significant  
785 improvements to Cpx-based barometers could be made if analytical and experimental sources  
786 of random uncertainty are mitigated.

787 While averaging greatly improves the performance of the Cpx-only and Cpx-Liq barometers  
788 of Jorgenson et al. (2022), and to a lesser extent Wang et al. (2021), it does not have the same  
789 effect on the Cpx-Liq barometers of Neave and Putirka (2017) and Putirka (2003). This  
790 indicates that systematic uncertainties are at play in these barometers (which is not improved  
791 by averaging). Overall, we suggest that extreme caution should be taken when interpreting  
792 published results from the iteration of Neave and Putirka (2017) with eq33 from Putirka  
793 (2003) in volcanic arcs, given it substantially underestimates pressures for the dataset tested  
794 here.

795 The improvement following averaging also emphasizes the point of Wieser et al. (2022a) and  
796 Putirka et al. (1996) that pressures calculated from individual Cpx are very hard to interpret  
797 given the influence of analytical (and/or experimental) uncertainty, but that averages of  
798 pressures calculated from large numbers of Cpx may delineate the approximate region of the  
799 crust where the crystals grew. However, averaging can be problematic in natural systems,  
800 where crystals may have formed at a range of depths, and averaging eliminates true  
801 variations. Thus, ultimately it is preferable to obtain higher quality data for individual Cpx  
802 analyses in experiments and natural samples than have to rely on averaging which could  
803 smear out true variations.

804 It is interesting that Cpx-only barometers behave just as well, if not slightly better, than Cpx-  
805 Liq barometers in the experiments examined here. This suggests that the additional  
806 uncertainty and effort associated with identifying equilibrium liquids in natural systems is  
807 likely not justified to obtain pressures. However, liquid compositions are certainly required to  
808 obtain reliable temperature information, given the poor performance of Cpx-only  
809 thermometers.

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813 **3.4 Using standard error estimates from thermobarometer calibrations as estimates of**  
814 **uncertainty**

815 Overall, the statistics calculated here using the ArcPL dataset demonstrate that many of the  
816 commonly quoted standard error estimates thermobarometers are extremely optimistic, and  
817 not representative of the errors associated with the application of these methods in natural  
818 systems (where P and T must be iteratively solved, compositions are not the exact ones used  
819 to calibrate the model, and H<sub>2</sub>O contents are not well known). For example, using P and T  
820 calculated from individual experimental charges we calculated a RMSE of 4.1 kbar vs. the  
821 often-quoted 1.3 kbar for Putirka (2003, Fig. 8d), and 3.9 kbar vs. 1.4 kbar for Neave and  
822 Putirka (2017). RMSEs of 3-4 kbar (equivalent to ~11-15 km for 2700 kg/m<sup>3</sup>) translate into a  
823 reality where barometers are not able to reliably distinguish storage in the upper, middle and  
824 lowermost crust in many volcanic arcs. For example, a 3-4 kbar RMSE values indicates that  
825 there is a 67% chance the depth calculated from a given Cpx analysis could have formed  
826 anywhere in a ~22-30 km window. Thus, these methods can only pinpoint broad areas of  
827 crustal storage. Only after very extensive averaging do the best Cpx-based barometers (Fig.  
828 15, Jorgenson et al. 2022, and Wang et al. 2021) yield RMSEs (1.3 and 1.8 kbar) that permit  
829 storage depths to be identified within 10-15 km with 67% confidence. In addition, all these  
830 statistics are ideal as they were calculated using known H<sub>2</sub>O contents. When applied in  
831 nature, the additional uncertainty introduced by using H<sub>2</sub>O-sensitive Cpx-only and Cpx-Liq  
832 barometers must be propagated and will result in even larger uncertainties.

833 **4. FUTURE DIRECTIONS**

834 The large systematic errors exhibited by many popular Cpx-only thermobarometers and Cpx-  
835 Liq barometers in volcanic arcs is disappointing (e.g., Neave and Putirka, 2017, P2008 eq32c,  
836 P2008 eq32d-32b, Putirka, 2003) and has implications for published interpretations of  
837 magma storage based on these equations. However, given that thermobarometry is often one  
838 of the only available petrological tools for investigating magma plumbing system geometries,  
839 as many arc volcanoes have no rapidly quenched tephra for melt inclusion work and Amp-  
840 only barometry is equally problematic (Erdmann et al., 2014), it is thus critical to find  
841 pathways forward. The great improvement in calculated statistics we observe through  
842 averaging of multiple experiments conducted at similar pressures suggests that recalibration  
843 of Cpx-based barometry based on higher quality experimental data using longer count times  
844 for minor elements such as Na, and more analyses per experiment may help to provide a new  
845 dataset upon which to recalibrate the next generation of thermobarometers (see Wieser et al.  
846 2022a). This could be based on re-analysis of existing experiments or higher quality analysis  
847 of new experiments; higher quality analyses of Cpx in natural and experimental samples will  
848 mean that far less averaging is required to reduce scatter in calculated pressures. However,  
849 without access to such a high-quality dataset, it is difficult to determine how much  
850 improvement this may yield, and whether barometer performance will always be restricted by  
851 the relatively weak thermodynamic relationship between mineral components in Cpx and  
852 pressure (Putirka, 2008). Given this, extensive averaging of different experiments (and  
853 natural Cpx) may still be required.

855 It is also worth considering that Cpx-based thermobarometry is fundamentally limited by  
856 calculating pressure and temperature-sensitive components using EPMA analyses of minerals  
857 and melts. Tommasini et al. (2022) examine natural Cpx crystals from Popocatépetl Volcano  
858 and show that mineral components (e.g., Jd) calculated from XRD-informed site assignments  
859 differ greatly from the routines used by Neave and Putirka (2017) and P2008 using EPMA  
860 data alone. It is very plausible that if the Cpx components could be calculated more precisely  
861 and accurately (Tommasini et al., 2022), the performance of thermobarometers would greatly  
862 increase.

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864 Additionally, it has been suggested that the presence of Fe<sup>3+</sup> in Cpx from more oxidised melts  
865 stabilizes an aegirine component (NaFe<sup>3+</sup>SiO<sub>6</sub>), which convolutes the relationship between  
866 pressure and the clinopyroxene Jd component (see Blundy et al., 1995; Neave et al., 2019;  
867 Neave and Putirka, 2017 for further discussion). For tholeiitic magmas, Neave et al. (2019)  
868 conclude that the aegirine component is not a significant issue and that perhaps Fe<sup>3+</sup> is  
869 incorporated as a Ca-Al-bearing CaFe Tschermak's component. Our dataset, spanning a  
870 wider range of  $fO_2$  than that of Neave and Putirka (2017) and Neave et al. (2019), shows no clear  
871 correlation between the discrepancy between calculated and predicted pressure and the  
872 calculated Fe<sup>3+</sup> proportion in the liquid (from the experimental  $fO_2$ ), or the proportion of Fe<sup>3+</sup>  
873 predicted in the Cpx using the parameterization in the spreadsheet of Putirka (2008) after  
874 Lindsley (1983). However, stoichiometric techniques to calculate Fe<sup>3+</sup> in Cpx are “misleading,  
875 inconsistent, and inaccurate” (Dyar et al., 1989), and extremely sensitive to propagated  
876 uncertainties from the measurement of other cations (McCanta et al., 2018; Sobolev et al.,  
877 1999). While Mössbauer spectroscopy offers high precision detection of Fe<sup>3+</sup>, it is a bulk  
878 analysis method requiring >100 mg of sample, so cannot be applied to the vast majority of  
879 experimental products (Rudra, 2021). XANES measurements are challenging, and must take  
880 crystal orientation into account because the anisotropy of Cpx to x-ray absorption means  
881 orientation must also be taken into account (McCanta et al., 2018; Rudra, 2021). Extensive  
882 work determining Fe<sup>3+</sup> proportions for Cpx in different experimental charges at different  
883 redox conditions by XANES, combined with more accurate determination of mineral  
884 components, is likely needed to investigate why barometers seem to perform more poorly in  
885 arc magmas than tholeiitic magmas (e.g., Neave et al. 2019).

#### 886 **4.1 Calibrating or recalibrating models using this dataset**

887 It would certainly be tempting to recalibrate existing models or develop new models using the  
888 ArcPL dataset. However, doing so would mean we no longer have a truly independent test  
889 dataset to assess model quality and quantify errors. As a broad generalization, machine-  
890 learning researchers encourage a train-test split of ~80:20 or 70:30 (Nguyen et al., 2021),  
891 with the default in the popular Python-based machine learning package Sklearn being 75:25.  
892 Jorgenson et al. (2022) use their entire dataset of N=2080 Cpx-Liq pairs to calibrate the final  
893 model. A new independent dataset to test this would thus require N=520 unique experiments  
894 to achieve the Sklearn default ratio. Assessing Cpx-based barometers again after recalibrating  
895 using the ArcPL dataset combined with previous datasets would perhaps require waiting  
896 another 10-15 years for enough new experiments to be published to re-assess how the newly

897 calibrated models are performing. Thus, here we choose not to recalibrate models, and  
898 instead re-iterate the importance of keeping any test dataset truly isolated during model  
899 training and validation. This way, the final ‘publishable’ model is developed in a way that  
900 avoids overconfidence in the model, which can occur when the test dataset has been used at  
901 any point during model tuning (Tampu et al., 2022; Wujek et al., 2016).

#### 902 **4. CONCLUSION**

903 Our evaluation of a new dataset of hydrous experiments filtered for  $K_D$  and EnFs  
904 disequilibrium, cation sums, and number of analyses per experiment, provides new insights  
905 into the best thermobarometry calibrations to use when investigating pressures and  
906 temperatures in hydrous arc magmas using Cpx-liquid and Cpx alone. We show that the Cpx-  
907 Liq thermometers from Petrelli et al. (2020), Jorgenson et al. (2022), and P2008 eq33 all  
908 perform well, and can give important insights into magma storage temperatures. However,  
909 this work also reveals that the majority of temperature information is stored in the liquid,  
910 rather than the Cpx. In contrast, Cpx-only thermometers which do not have a term for  $H_2O$  in  
911 the liquid perform very poorly indeed, substantially overestimating temperatures for hydrous  
912 magmas (e.g., P2008 eq32d, Jorgenson et al. 2022). Only the expression of Wang et al.  
913 (2021), which includes a  $H_2O$  term, shows a reasonable correspondence between  
914 experimental and calculated temperatures, and this expression still performs poorly for Cpx  
915 grown in liquids with  $SiO_2 > 60$  wt%.

916 Cpx-Liq barometers all behave relatively poorly when applied to individual experimental  
917 charges, with large random and systematic errors (all RMSE  $> 2.1$ ,  $R^2 < 0.74$ , Gradient  $< 0.77$ ).  
918 Cpx-only barometers are slightly better, but still show relatively large RMSEs ( $> 1.9$  kbar),  
919 and overpredict at low pressures. Importantly these observed RMSE are all substantially  
920 larger than the RMSE reported for many of the calibrations, which are often used as an  
921 estimate of uncertainty in studies of natural magmas. While random uncertainties can be  
922 addressed by averaging large numbers of Cpx (Fig. 14), even the best performing barometers  
923 can only just distinguish between storage zones  $\sim 2$ -3 kbar (or  $\sim 10$  km) apart. Some  
924 commonly-used barometers behave extremely poorly, overpredicting pressures by  $\sim 4$  kbar  
925 (Fig. 8e). After averaging, systematic offsets are still very prominent for many barometers.  
926 We suggest that additional experimental and analytical work is required to obtain precise (or  
927 even accurate) pressures from Cpx compositions in volcanic arcs, to have a large enough  
928 high-quality dataset for model calibration and testing without having to perform such  
929 extensive averaging (which is hard to translate into natural systems). Given the importance of  
930 determining magma storage depths in arcs (Hilley et al., 2022), this should be a key focus of  
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940 The excel file containing the new experimental dataset (ArcPL), along with the Jupyter  
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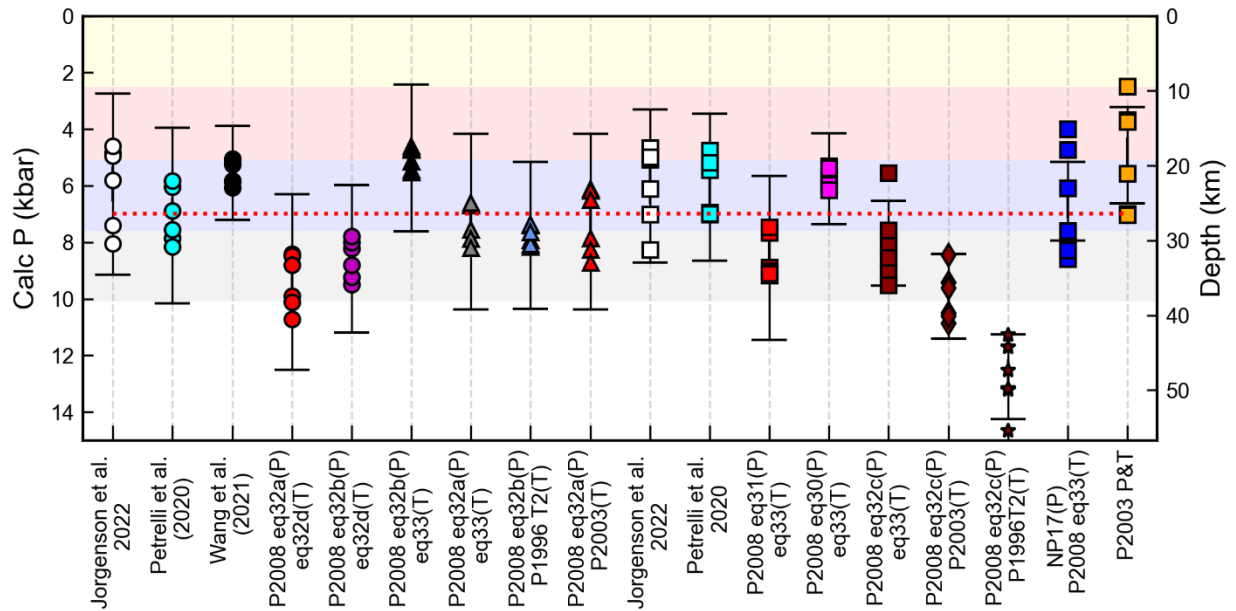
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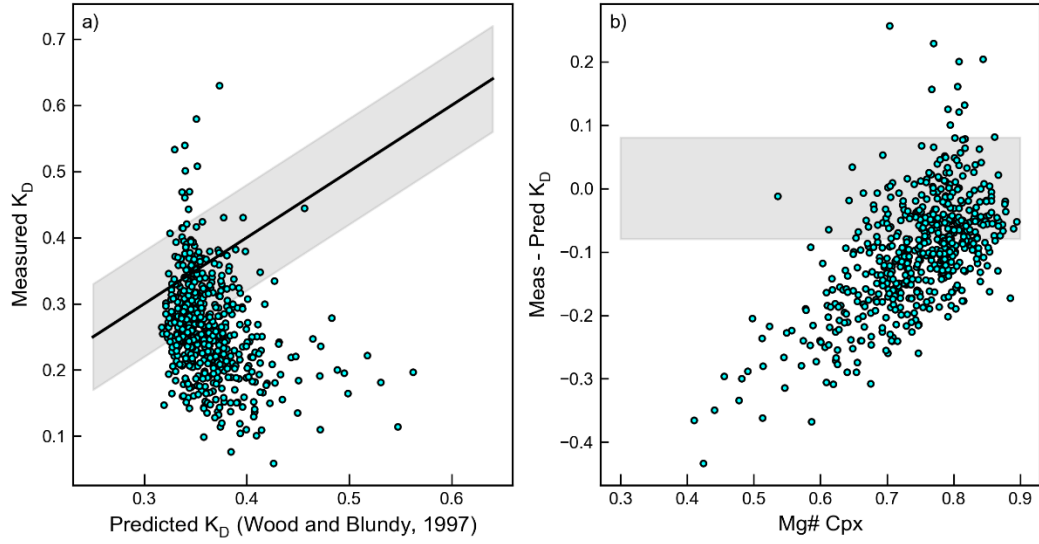
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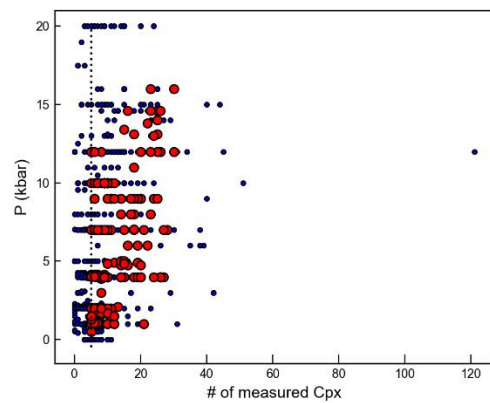
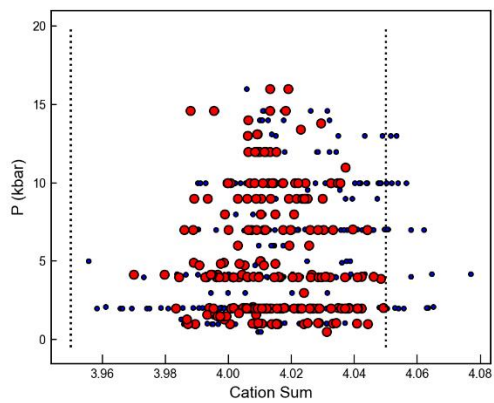
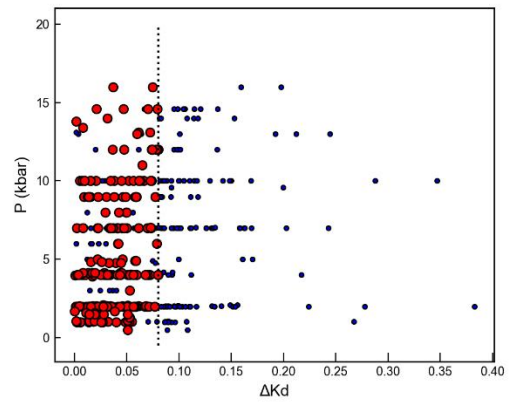
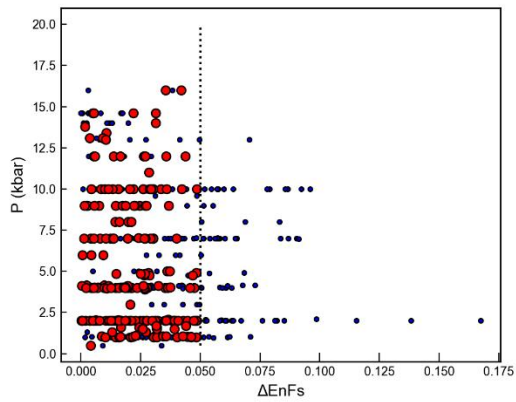
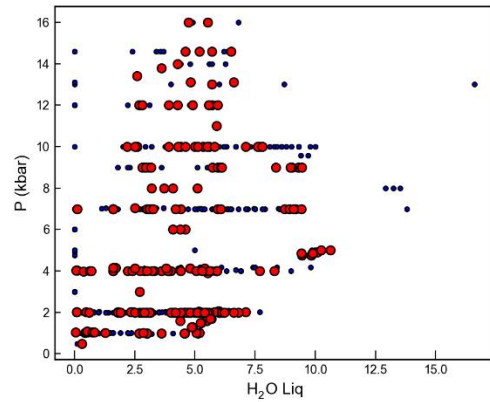
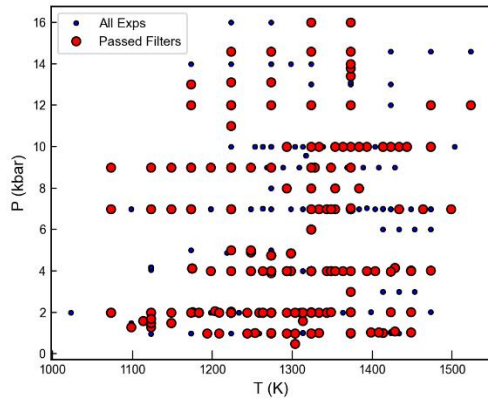
Supporting figures



Supporting Fig. 1 – Comparison of different barometers as in Fig. 1a in the main text, but for 7 kbar experiments from Blatter et al. (2013)

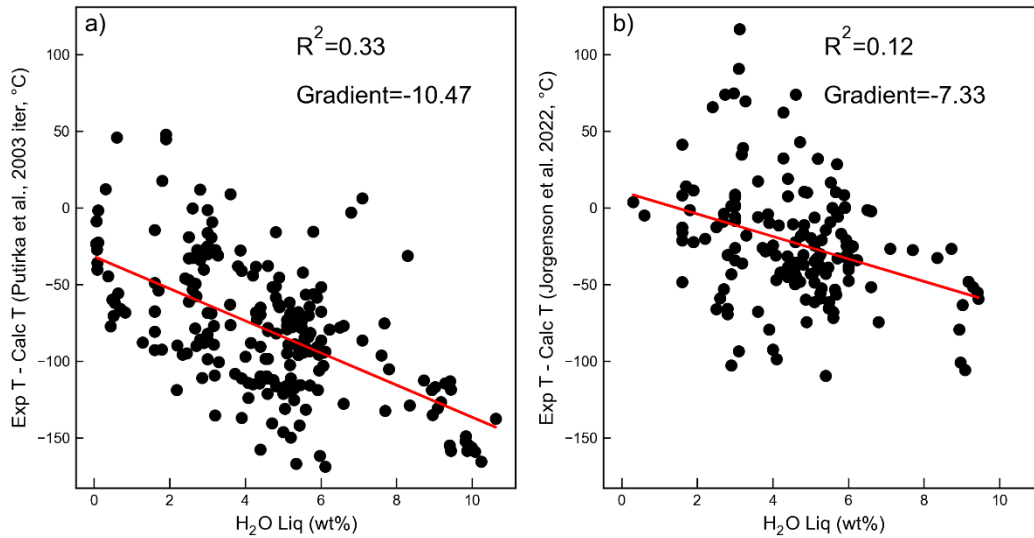


Supporting Fig. 2. Comparison of predicted and measured  $K_D$  using Wood and Blundy (1997). There is a clear offset between the measured and predicted  $K_D$  value, and the Mg# of the Cpx, with the equation performing very poorly for low Mg# Cpx.

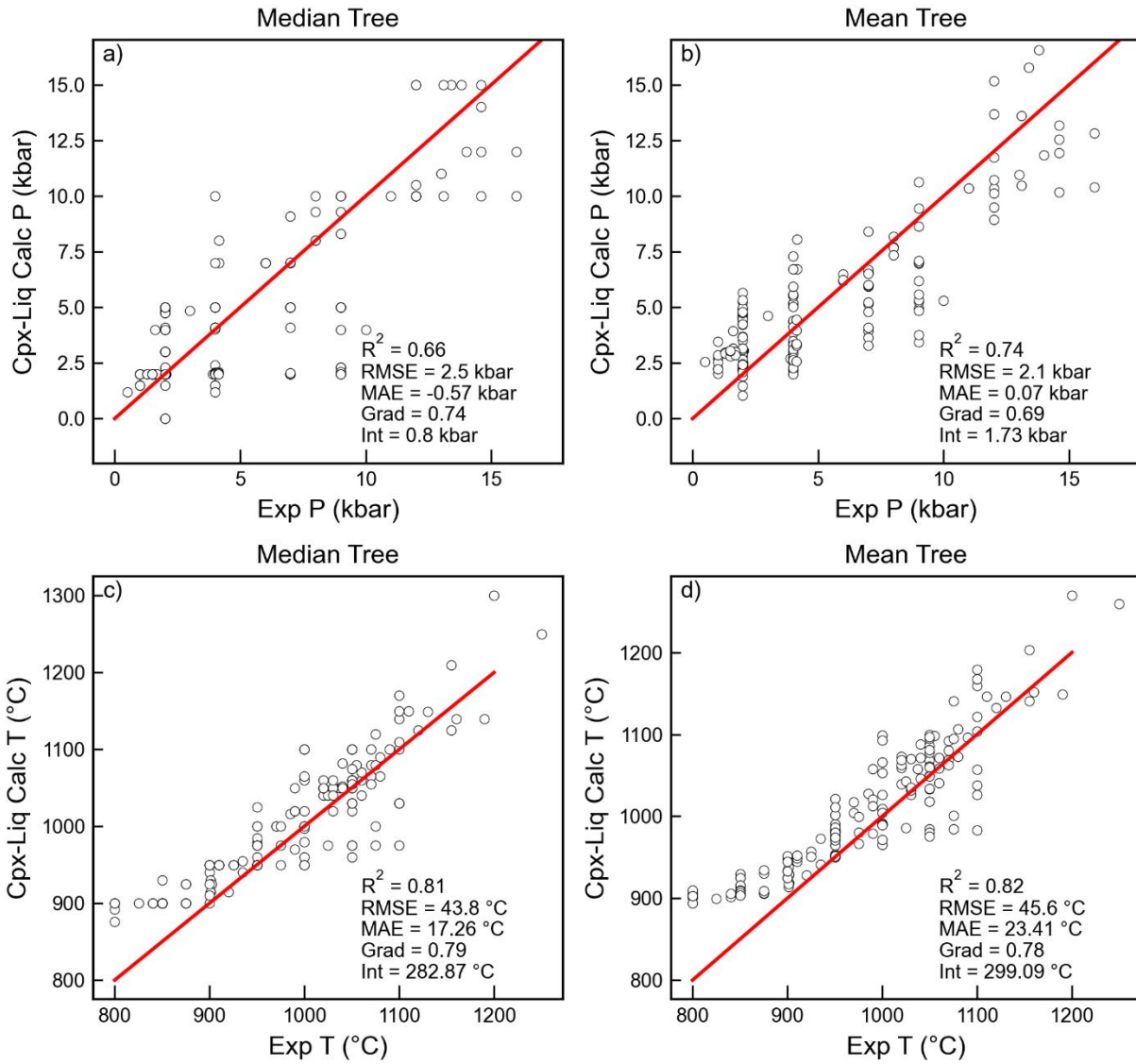




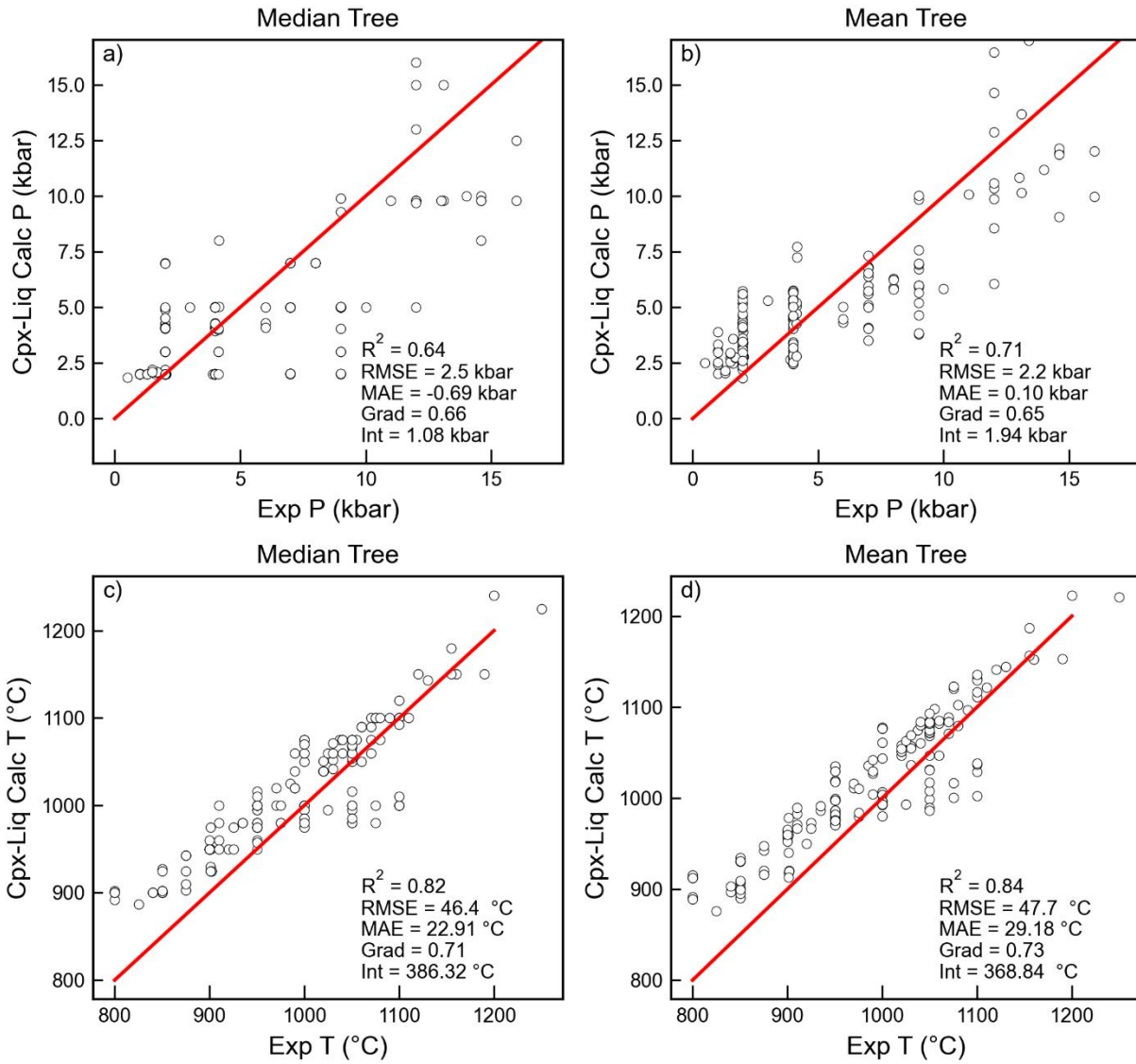
Supporting Fig. 3 – Filters applied to dataset (cut off value indicated with a dashed line). The H<sub>2</sub>O filter removes all experiments conducted at atmospheric pressure (none of which have reported water contents).



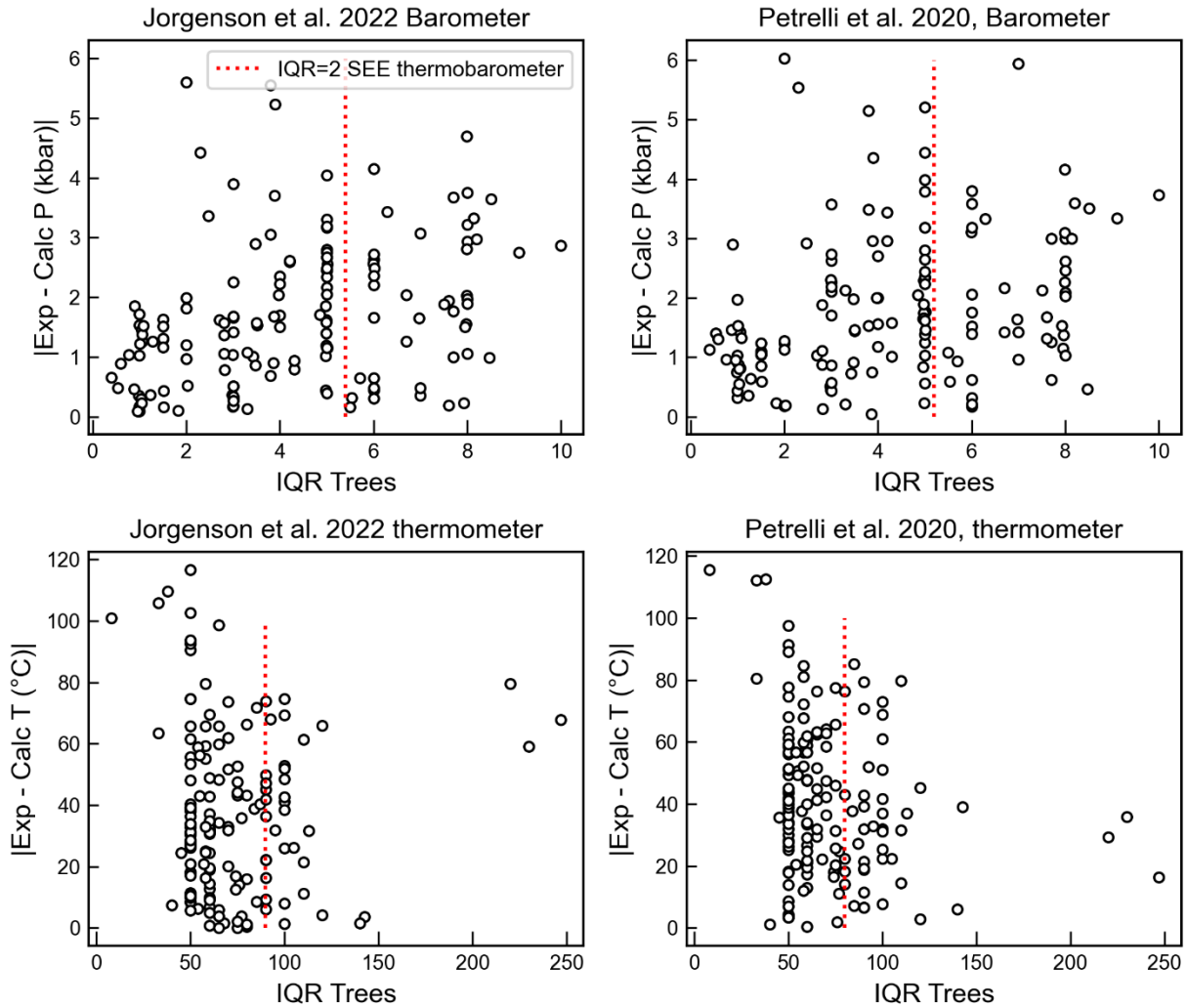
Supporting Fig. 4 – a) The discrepancy between calculated and experimental temperature iterating the thermometer and barometer of Putirka et al. (2003) increases with increasing H<sub>2</sub>O content in the liquid. This is not surprising, given this equation has no term for H<sub>2</sub>O, but is concerning given this equation is still used for arc magmas (see Table 1 in the main text). b) The Cpx-Liq thermometer of Jorgenson et al. (2022) also doesn't contain a H<sub>2</sub>O term. However, the discrepancy between experimental and calculated temperature shows a much less strong correlation with water content (lower R<sup>2</sup>, less negative gradient).



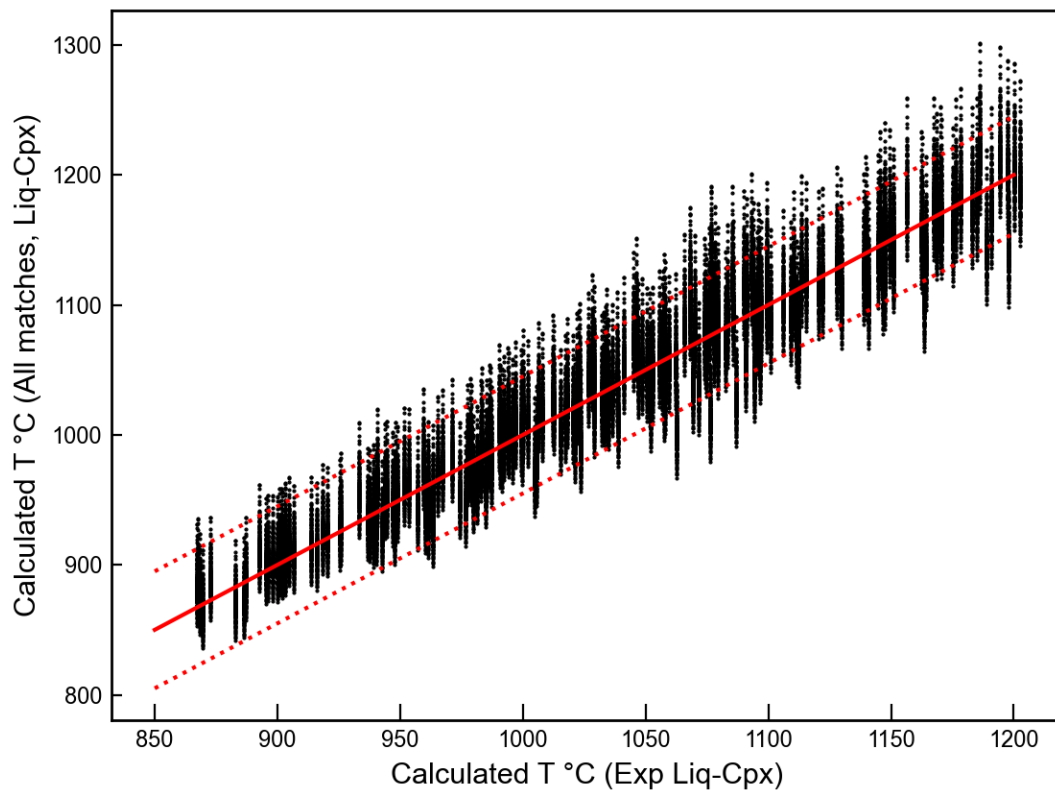
Supporting Fig 5 – Comparison of statistics using Median and mean tree for Cpx-Liq thermobarometry for Jorgenson et al. (2022).



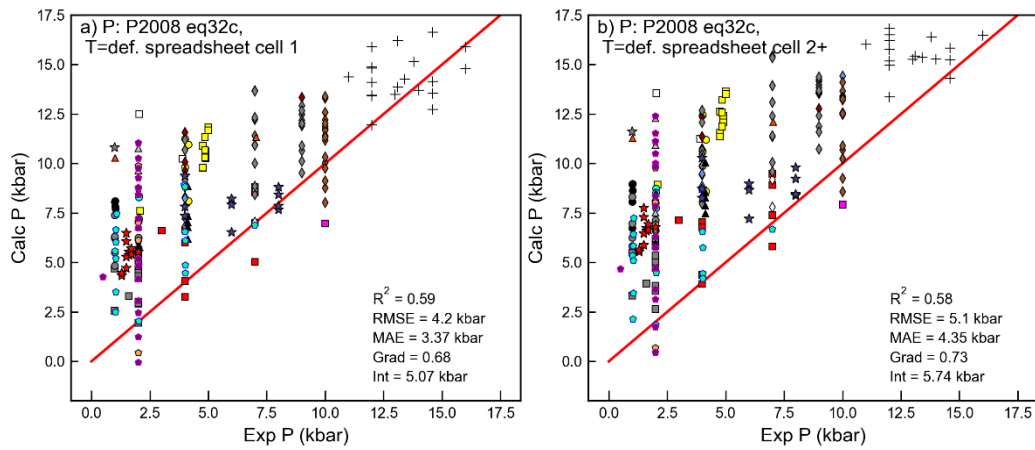
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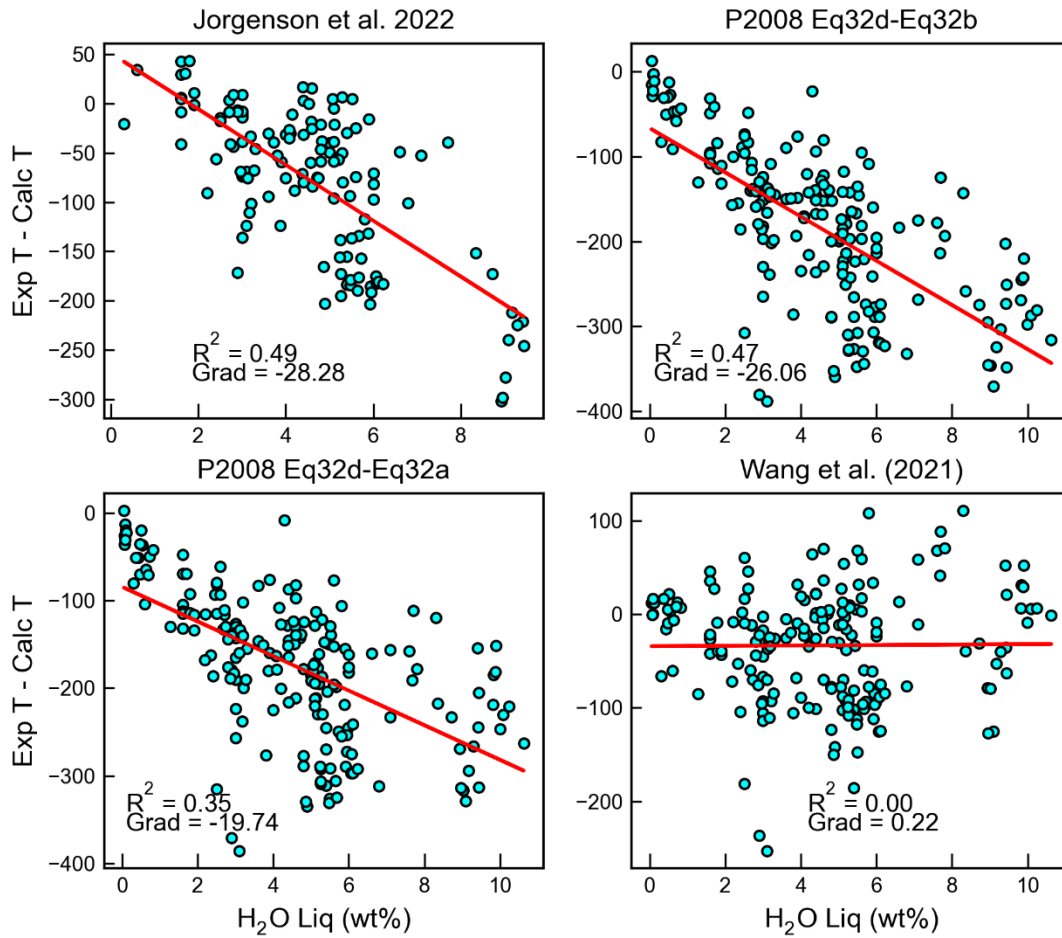
Supporting Fig. 7– Discrepancy of calculated Cpx-Liq P and T vs. the IQR of each regression tree. Jorgenson et al. suggest removing results with an IQR more than twice the stated SEE on the thermobarometer (e.g. to the right of the red dashed line). There is no clear correlation between the IQR and the absolute offset between calculated and experimental pressures and temperatures. We note that Petrelli don't release a Cpx-only barometer, we calibrate one using their dataset and the same regression tree mechanism used for P.



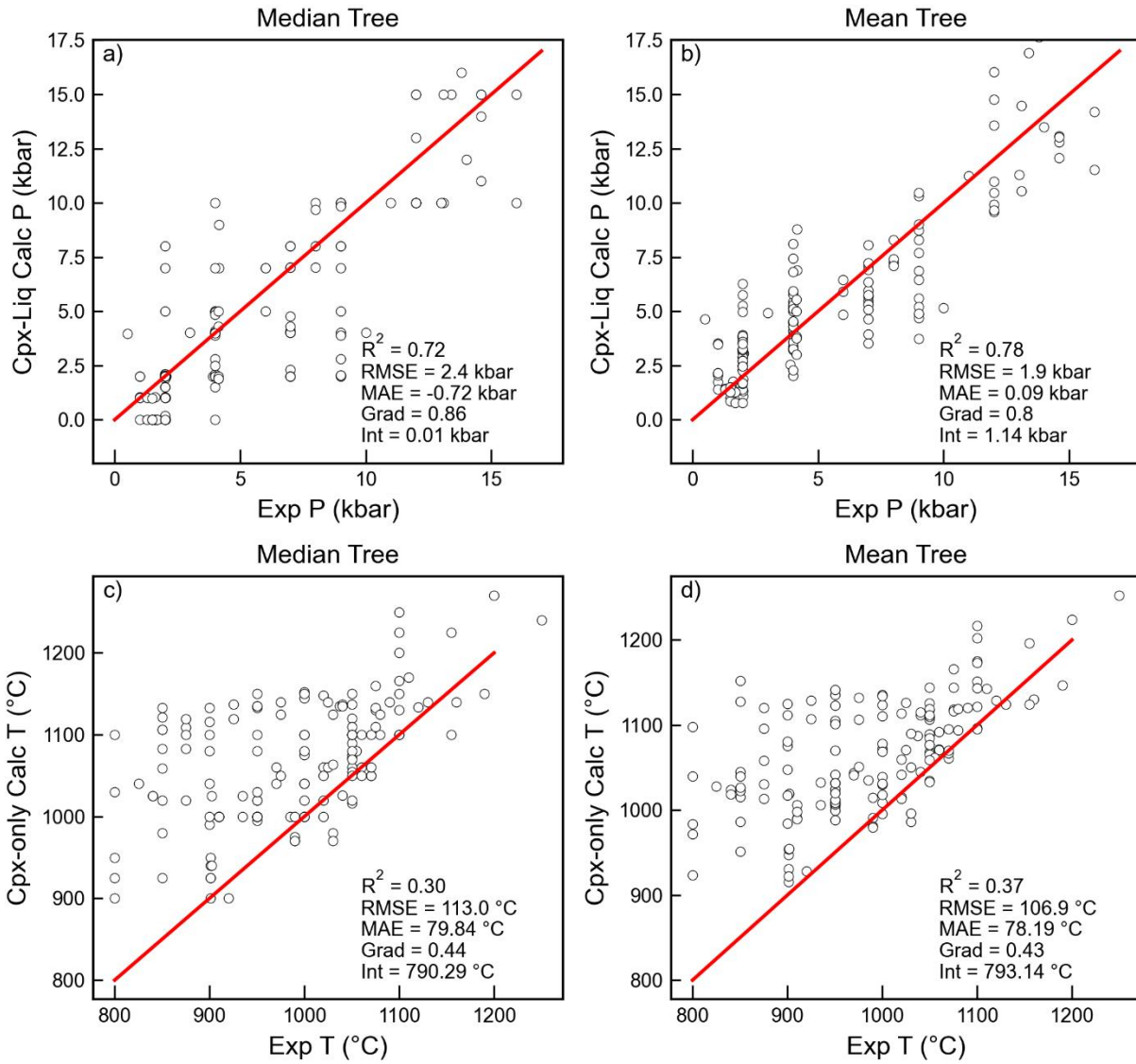
Supporting Fig 8 – Assessing the influence of the Cpx composition on the Cpx-Liq temperature. For each experimental Cpx-Liq pair we calculate the temperature using equation 33 of Putirka (2008), and plot this on the x axis. We then consider all possible Cpx-Liq matches, so each liquid gets matched to all N=194 Cpx compositions. We calculate the temperature for each of these pairs, resulting in N=194 dots sitting above each x axis coordinate. The y scatter is relatively small, the offset in calculated temperature for changing the Cpx composition is comparable to the quoted RMSE on the thermometer (shown by red dashed lines about the 1:1 red solid line). We use the average experimental pressure of the entire experimental database for all calculations.



Supporting Fig. 9 – Comparing calculated and experimental pressures for the two ways Eq32c is used in the P2008 spreadsheets (the first cell vs later cells). We do not know for any given study how they dragged the cells down.

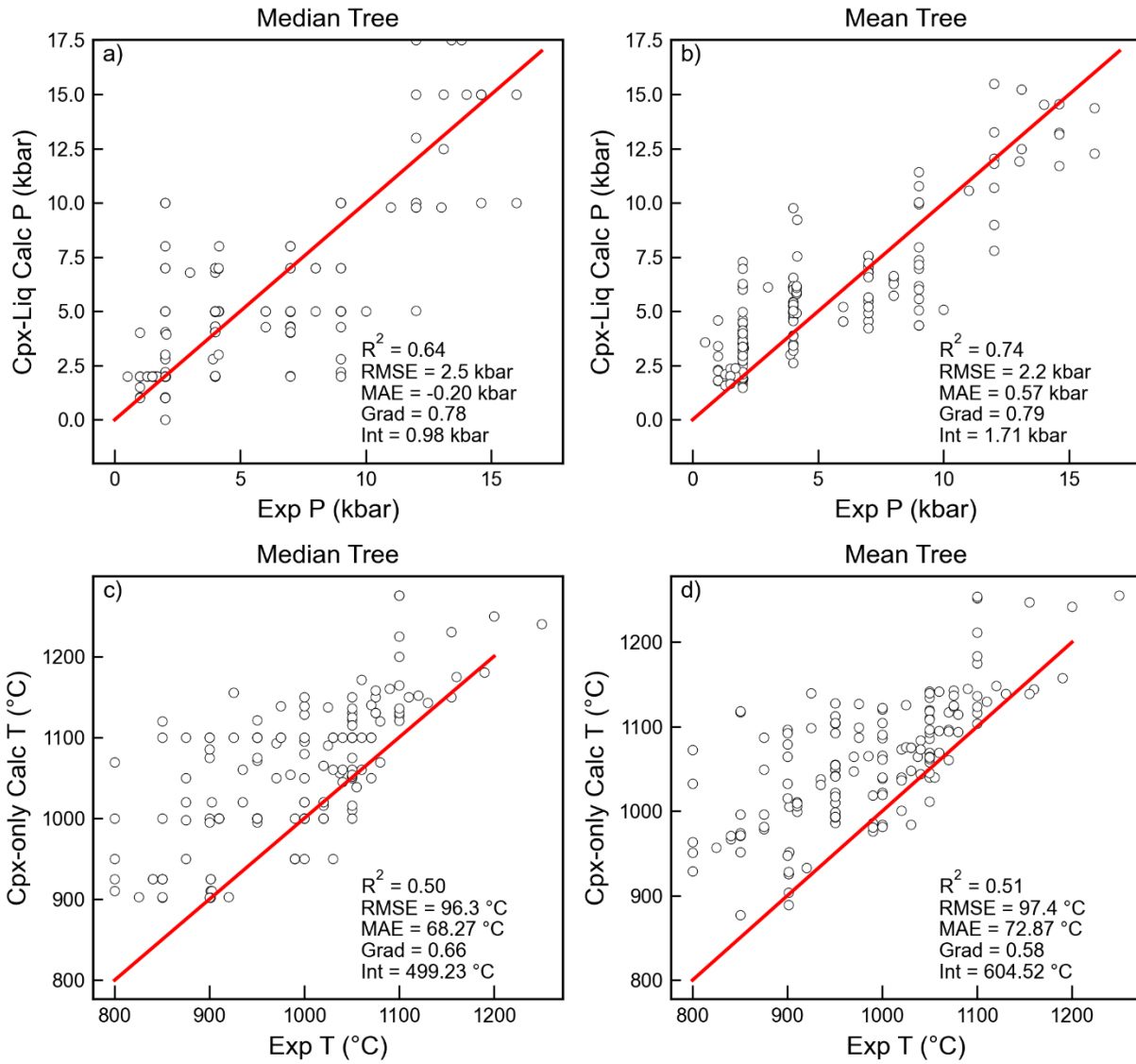


Supporting Fig 10 – Discrepancy between Cpx-only temperatures and melt water contents. Only the thermometer of Wang et al. (2021) has a term for H<sub>2</sub>O content in the liquid.

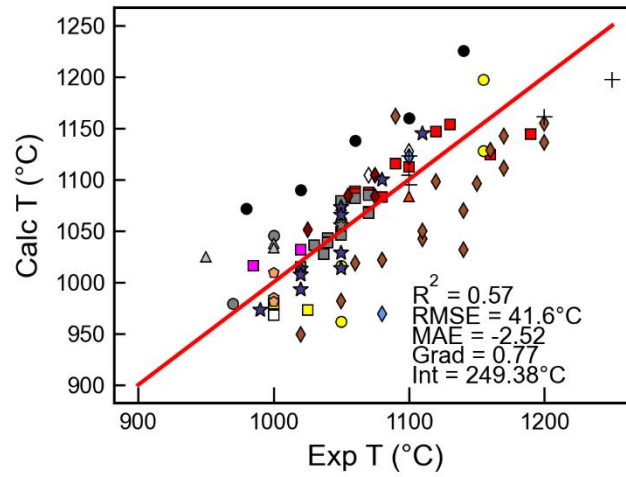
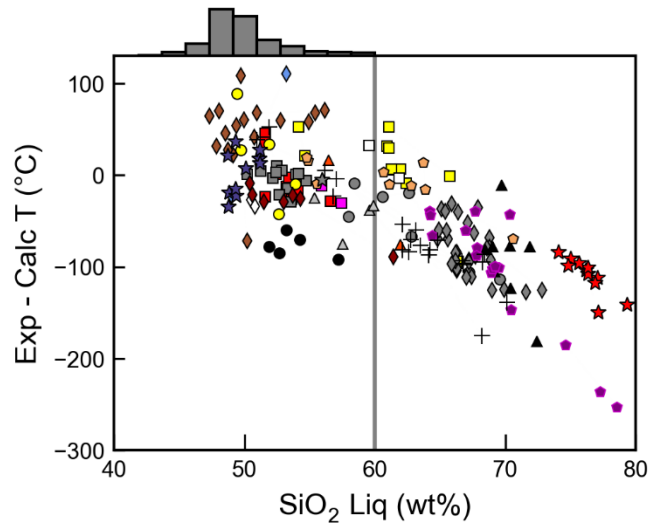


Supporting Fig 11 – Comparison of statistics using Median and mean tree for Cpx-only thermobarometry for Jorgenson et al. (2022).

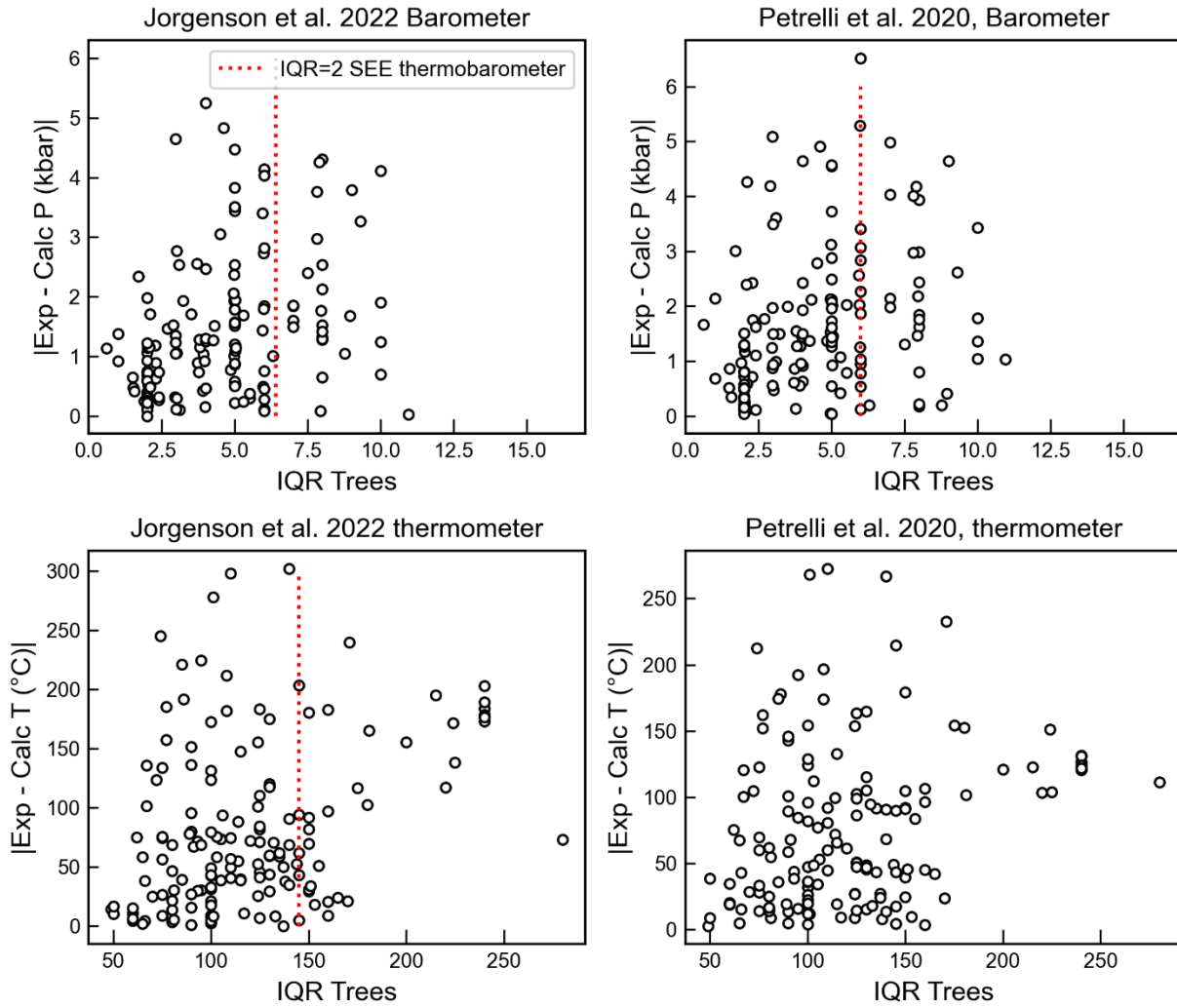




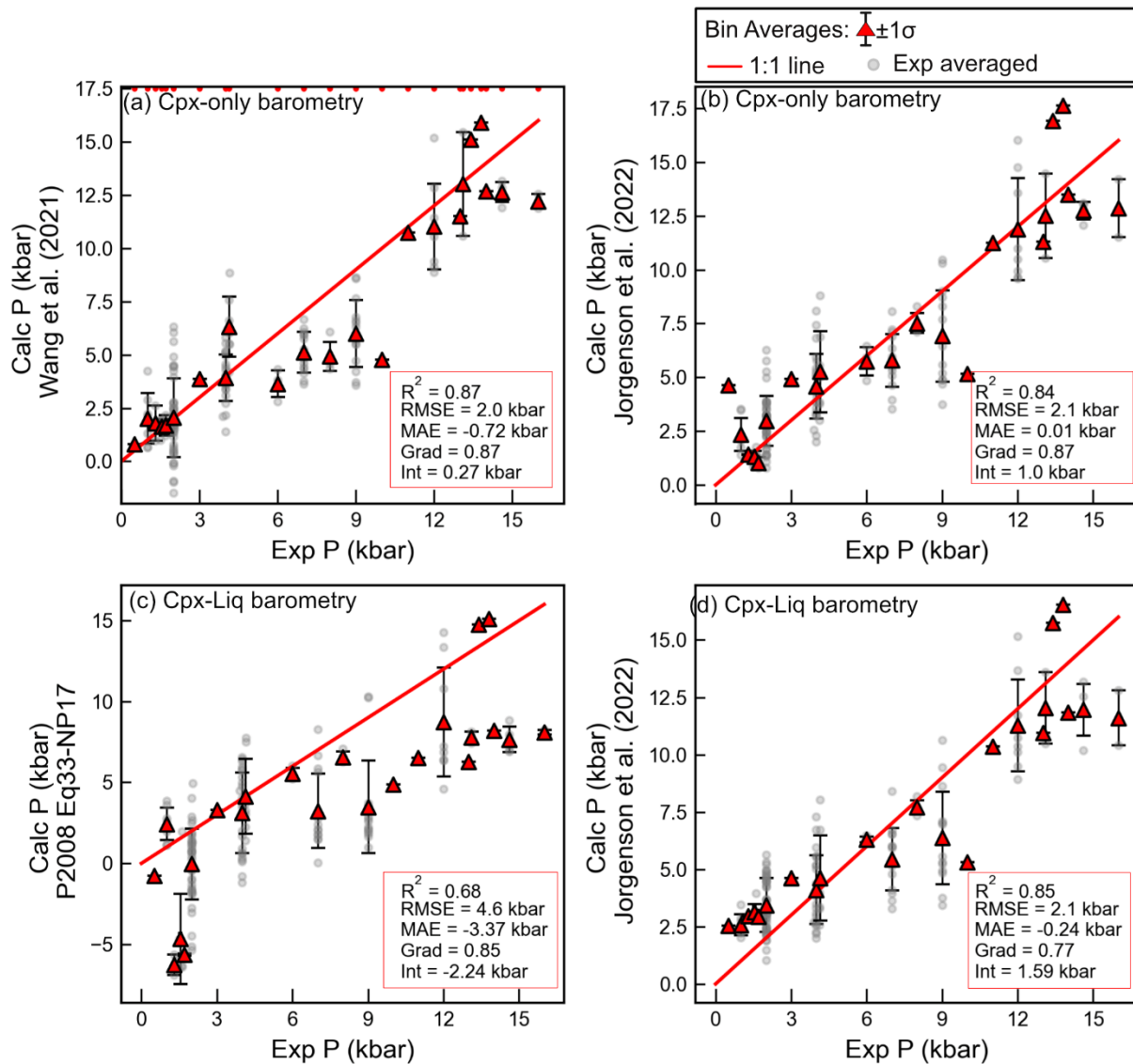
Supporting Fig. 12 – Comparison of statistics using Median and mean tree for Cpx-Liq and Cpx-only thermobarometry for Petrelli et al. (2020). No Cpx-only thermometer was officially published, we use the same regression strategy as for pressure to yield temperature.



Supporting Fig 13 – Discrepancy between experimental and calculated Cpx-only temperatures using Wang et al. (2021) correlates strongly with SiO<sub>2</sub> when applied to Cpx grown from liquids which are more evolved than the calibration range of the model (shown by the grey histogram). Using only experiments with <60 wt% SiO<sub>2</sub> results in a far better statistics than shown in the main text.



Supporting Fig. 14 – Discrepancy of calculated Cpx-only P and T vs. the IQR of each regression tree. Jorgenson et al. suggest removing results with an IQR more than twice the stated SEE on the thermobarometer (e.g. to the right of the red dashed line). There is no clear correlation between the IQR and the absolute offset between calculated and experimental pressures and temperatures. We note that Petrelli don't release a Cpx-only barometer, we calibrate one using their dataset and the same regression tree mechanism used for P.



Supporting Fig. 15 – As for Fig 15 in the main text, but using bin averages even when there was only 1 experiment.