

The Li isotope composition of marine biogenic carbonates: Patterns and Mechanisms

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ABSTRACT

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Little is known about the fractionation of Li isotopes during formation of biogenic carbonates, which form the most promising geological archives of past seawater composition. Here we investigated the Li isotope composition ($\delta^7\text{Li}$) and Li/Ca ratios of organisms that are abundant in the Phanerozoic record, mollusks (mostly bivalves), echinoderms, and brachiopods. The measured samples include (i) modern calcite and aragonite shells from variable species and natural environments (13 mollusk samples, 5 brachiopods and 3 echinoderms), and (ii) shells from organisms grown under controlled conditions at various temperatures. When possible, the mollusk shell ultrastructure was micro-sampled in order to assess intra-shell heterogeneity. In this paper, we systematically characterize the respective influence of mineralogy, temperature, and biological processes on the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ and Li/Ca of these shells and compare with published data for other taxa (foraminifera and corals).

Aragonitic mollusks have the lowest $\delta^7\text{Li}$, ranging from +16 to +22‰, echinoderms have constant $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of about +24‰, brachiopods have $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of +25 to +28‰, and finally calcitic mollusks have the largest range and highest $\delta^7\text{Li}$ values, ranging from +25‰ to +40‰. Measured brachiopods have similar $\delta^7\text{Li}$ compared to inorganic calcite precipitated from seawater ($\delta^7\text{Li}$ of +27 to +29‰), indicating minimum influence of vital effects, as also observed for other isotope systems and making them a potentially viable proxy of past seawater composition. Calcitic mollusks, on the contrary, are not a good archive for seawater paleo- $\delta^7\text{Li}$ because many samples have significantly higher $\delta^7\text{Li}$ values than inorganic calcite and display large inter-species variability, which suggest large vital effects. In addition, we observe very large intra-shell variability, in particular for mixed calcite-aragonite shells (over 20‰ variability), but also in mono-mineralic shells (up to 12‰ variability). Aragonitic bivalves have less variable $\delta^7\text{Li}$ (7‰ variability) compared to calcitic mollusks, but with significantly lower $\delta^7\text{Li}$ compared to inorganic aragonite, indicating the existence of vital effects. Bivalves grown at various temperatures show that temperature has only a minor influence on fractionation of Li isotopes during shell precipitation. Interestingly, we observe a strong correlation ($R^2=0.83$) between the Li/Mg ratio in bivalve *Mytilus edulis* and temperature with potential implications for paleo-temperature reconstructions.

Finally, we observe a negative correlation between the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ and both the Li/Ca and Mg/Ca ratio of calcite mollusks, which we relate to biomineralization processes. To explain this correlation, we propose preferential removal of ^6Li from the calcification site of calcite

70 mollusks by physiological processes corresponding to the regulation of the amount of Mg in the
71 calcifying medium. We calculate that up to 80% of the initial Li within the calcification site is
72 removed by this process, leading to high $\delta^7\text{Li}$ and low Li/Ca in some calcite mollusks
73 specimens. Collectively, these results suggest that Mg (and thus [Li]) are strongly biologically
74 controlled within the calcifying medium of calcite mollusks. More generally, the results of this
75 study show that brachiopods are suitable targets for future work on the determination of paleo-
76 seawater Li isotope composition—an emerging proxy for past weathering and hydrothermal
77 processes.

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80 1. INTRODUCTION

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82 A growing body of evidence suggests that the Li isotope composition of seawater may be
83 a promising proxy for tracing past weathering and hydrothermal conditions at the Earth's
84 surface, because the primary inputs of Li to the oceans are from rivers and the high-temperature
85 hydrothermal flux from ocean ridges (Chan et al., 1992; Hathorne and James, 2006; Huh et
86 al., 1998; Misra and Froelich, 2012). Furthermore, the residence time of Li in the ocean is
87 about 1–3 Ma, and the marine Li isotopic composition ($\delta^7\text{Li} = [({}^7\text{Li}/{}^6\text{Li})/({}^7\text{Li}/{}^6\text{Li})_{\text{L-SVEC}} - 1]$
88 $\times 1000$; expressed in ‰) and concentration are spatially uniform (Angino and Billings 1966).
89 Published Li isotope records in foraminifera (Hathorne and James, 2006; Misra and Froelich,
90 2012) and bulk carbonates (Lechler et al., 2015; Pogge von Strandmann et al., 2013; Pogge von
91 Strandmann et al., 2017) are characterized by large (several per mil) $\delta^7\text{Li}$ variations. These
92 changes have been attributed to past changes in weathering congruency, intensity, or rates
93 (Bouchez et al., 2013; Froelich and Misra, 2014; Li and West, 2014; Wanner et al., 2014).

94 The relationship between Li isotope fractionation and chemical weathering on continents
95 has been well-studied, and although details are still debated, general trends are understood
96 (Bagard et al., 2015; Dellinger et al., 2015; Dellinger et al., 2017; Huh et al., 2001; Pogge von
97 Strandmann and Henderson, 2015; Wanner et al., 2014). Dissolved Li transported to the
98 oceans is primarily derived from the weathering of silicate rocks (Huh et al., 2001; K1sakúrek
99 et al., 2005), which generates alkalinity and, unlike carbonate weathering, sequesters CO_2 in
100 carbonate rocks over geologic timescales (>10 -100 kyrs). Li isotopes are strongly fractionated
101 during water-rock interaction, with ${}^6\text{Li}$ being preferentially incorporated into clay minerals
102 while ${}^7\text{Li}$ is concentrated in the dissolved phase (Huh et al., 1998; Pistiner and Henderson,

103 2003; Chan et al., 1992). As a result, dissolved riverine $\delta^7\text{Li}$ varies as a function of the ratio of
104 primary mineral dissolution to secondary mineral formation (e.g. Pogge von Strandmann and
105 Henderson, 2015), and the evolution of $\delta^7\text{Li}$ and Li/Ca ratios of the ocean may provide
106 information about paleo-weathering regimes.

107 Reconstructing Li isotopic composition of seawater requires a sedimentary archive and
108 carbonates have been a preferred target so far (e.g. Misra and Froelich, 2012; Pogge von
109 Strandmann et al., 2013; Vigier et al., 2007). However, the fractionation of Li isotopes during
110 biogenic carbonate precipitation has been explored mainly in foraminifera and corals but is less
111 understood in other organisms. Laboratory experiments inform general understanding of Li
112 incorporation into inorganic carbonates. In aragonite, Li^+ is thought to substitute for Ca^{2+} in
113 the mineral lattice, whereas in calcite, Li^+ occupies an interstitial location (Okumura and
114 Kitano, 1986). The Li/Ca ratio of inorganic carbonates is influenced by the Li/Ca ratio and/or
115 the Li concentration of the fluid from which it precipitates (Gabitov et al., 2011; Marriott et al.,
116 2004b, 2004a). The Li/Ca ratio of inorganic calcite decreases with increasing temperature
117 (Marriott et al., 2004a,b). An increase in Li/Ca with salinity was also observed for calcite but
118 not for aragonite (Marriott et al., 2004b) but the Li/Ca ratio of inorganic aragonite increases
119 with precipitation rate (Gabitov et al., 2011). In addition, the isotopic fractionation factor
120 between inorganic calcium carbonate and solution is strongly dependent upon the carbonate
121 mineralogy, with the fractionation factor between inorganic aragonite and seawater, $\alpha_{\text{aragonite-seawater}} = 0.988$ to 0.993 (corresponding to a $\Delta_{\text{aragonite-seawater}}$ of -7 to -12‰) and the fractionation
122 factor between inorganic calcite and seawater $\alpha_{\text{calcite-seawater}} = 0.998$ to 0.995 ($\Delta_{\text{calcite-seawater}}$ of -2 to -5‰ ; Marriott et al., 2004a,b; Gabitov et al., 2011).

125 A number of studies have investigated the Li/Ca ratio of biogenic carbonates, showing
126 that the incorporation of lithium depends upon various parameters that include temperature,
127 salinity, growth rate, carbonate ion concentration, dissolved Li concentration, and biology (also
128 called “vital effects”). Temperature appears to be a major control on the Li/Ca ratio of
129 brachiopods, which show increasing Li/Ca with decreasing temperature (Delaney et al., 1989),
130 similar to that observed for inorganic calcite. However, no systematic trend between Li/Ca
131 and temperature has been observed for other biogenic carbonates. Instead, culture experiments
132 and core top studies have shown that the Li/Ca ratio of foraminifera is influenced by the
133 solution Li/Ca ratio, DIC concentration, and possibly the growth rate (Delaney et al., 1985;
134 Hall and Chan, 2004; Hathorne and James, 2006; Lear and Rosenthal, 2006; Vigier et al.,
135 2015). In contrast, the Li/Mg ratio of corals and foraminifera is more strongly related to

136 temperature than Li/Ca and has been recently proposed as being a reliable proxy for ocean
137 temperature (Bryan and Marchitto, 2008; Case et al., 2010; Montagna et al., 2014; Rollion-
138 Bard and Blamart, 2015; Fowell et al., 2016). The Li/Ca ratio of mollusks might be controlled
139 by a combination of vital effects, growth rate, changes in ocean productivity, and/or dissolution
140 of riverine fine sediments within the ocean (Füllenbach et al., 2015; Thébault et al., 2009;
141 Thébault and Chauvaud, 2013).

142 In contrast to Li elemental ratios, Li isotope ratios have been investigated only in modern
143 foraminifera and corals. Modern corals have Li isotopic composition ranging from +17 to
144 +25‰ (Marriott et al., 2004a,b; Rollion-Bard et al., 2009), significantly fractionated relative to
145 seawater but with an average $\delta^7\text{Li}$ similar to inorganic aragonite (around +19‰). The intra-
146 specimen variability for corals is relatively low, less than $\pm 2\%$, but small systematic differences
147 exists between species (Rollion-Bard et al., 2009). Present-day planktic foraminifera $\delta^7\text{Li}$ range
148 between +27 and +31‰ (Hall et al., 2005; Hathorne and James, 2006; Misra and Froelich,
149 2012) with a median value of 30‰, very close to modern seawater (31‰), making them targets
150 for past work reconstructing the Li isotope composition of the Cenozoic ocean (Hathorne and
151 James, 2006; Misra and Froelich, 2012). However, Li isotopic fractionation in foraminifera
152 may depend upon seawater dissolved inorganic carbon (DIC) concentration of seawater (Vigier
153 et al., 2015). In addition, well-preserved planktic foraminifera are not very abundant in the
154 geological record prior to the Cenozoic (Wilkinson, 1979). Finally, Ullmann et al. (2013b) for
155 belemnite and Pogge von Strandmann et al., (2017) for brachiopods have shown that the shell
156 of these organisms may preserve Li isotope composition of the ocean over geological timescales.

157 In this study, we focus mainly on characterizing the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ and Li/Ca of these organisms
158 (particularly bivalves and brachiopods), since these may be some of the most important
159 Phanerozoic paleoenvironmental bioarchives, and, also present a few measurements of
160 echinoderm. Bivalves, brachiopods, and echinoderms are present in widely distributed habitats
161 in the modern-day ocean, are often well-preserved during diagenesis, and are abundant in the
162 Phanerozoic record (Immenhauser et al., 2016; Veizer et al., 1999; Wilkinson, 1979). Prior
163 studies have reported Li isotope data on Ordovician brachiopods (Pogge von Strandmann et
164 al., 2017), Li/Ca values of modern bivalves and brachiopods (Delaney et al., 1989; Füllenbach
165 et al., 2015; Thébault et al., 2009; Thébault and Chauvaud, 2013), but no Li isotope data on
166 modern bivalves and brachiopods. Here we test the influence of temperature, mineralogy and
167 biology on Li isotopic composition and Li/Ca ratio on a set of mollusk, brachiopod and
168 echinoderm samples from various environments, in order to evaluate the suitability of these
169 taxa to reconstructing past $\delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{seawater}}$.

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2. ORIGIN OF THE SAMPLES AND SAMPLING STRATEGY

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173 Two types of samples have been investigated: (i) shells from modern marine organisms
174 corresponding to a wide range of mineralogy, species, and locations; and (ii) shells grown from
175 controlled culture experiments at various temperatures.

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2.1. Field-collected modern shells

177 Modern shell samples were retrieved from the LA County Natural History Museum
178 collections, supplemented with miscellaneous other specimens. All mollusk samples from this
179 study, except the gastropod *Turritella*, are bivalves (n=17 specimens). They come from 13
180 species comprising oysters, clams, mussels, and scallops. We also analyzed 5 brachiopod and 3
181 echinoderm specimens, each from different species. These shells come from a wide range of
182 marine environments from cold to warm sea surface temperature (−1 to 30°C). The location
183 and characteristics of the specimens are summarized in Table (1) and Fig (1). We extracted the
184 main seawater parameters (sea surface temperature – SST, salinity, alkalinity), including both
185 annual averages and, when possible, specifically for the growth interval of the shells (average of
186 the 3 months having the highest SST). We used the World Ocean Atlas 2013 for SST and
187 salinity (Locarnini et al., 2013) and GLODAPv2 database for the alkalinity (Olsen et al., 2016),
188 or specified references when more accurate data were available. Because of uncertainty
189 regarding the sampling location, we attribute a relatively large uncertainty to these ocean
190 parameters.

191 Field-collected shells were cleaned in an ultrasonic bath with distilled water, cut, and
192 drilled. The sampling strategy was intended to simultaneously sample a large (20-30 mg),
193 representative “bulk” sample in the middle of the shell while also targeting some micro-scale
194 samples, using a micro-mill, in order to investigate possible intra-shell variability (Fig. 2).

195 We studied four different specimens of oysters (*Crassostrea gigas*) from four different
196 localities spanning a wide range of ocean temperature (12 to 27°C). The shell of *Crassostrea gigas*
197 is predominantly composed of calcite with two types of mineralogical structure, the "chalky
198 structure" and "foliate layers" (Carriker et al., 1980; Carriker and Palmer, 1979; Ullmann et
199 al., 2010, 2013a). The chalky structure is composed of a 3D network while foliate layers are
200 elongated calcite crystals. "Bulk" samples of about 20 mg of mixed calcite were sampled in the
201 middle and outer layer of specimens collected in Washington and California (USA) and
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203 Ecuador. The fourth specimen was collected in the North Sea in the List basin and has been
204 previously investigated at small scale for other chemical proxies (Ullmann et al., 2013a, 2010).
205 Specific foliate layers and chalky structure were micro-sampled (see Ullmann et al., 2010 for
206 details about the sampling protocol). We also determined the growth temperature for the North
207 Sea oyster sample using calcite $\delta^{18}\text{O}$, following Ullmann et al. (2010; 2013a) using an average
208 $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ value for the List basin seawater of -1.3‰ (V-SMOW).

209 Scallop samples are from two distinct genera (*Chlamys* and *Adamussium*). Three different
210 *Chlamys* species were investigated: *Chlamys cheritata* (Alaska), *Chlamys hastata* (California), and
211 *Laevichlamys squamosa* (Philippines). For *Adamussium*, we studied one specimen of *Adamussium*
212 *colbecki* from Antarctica (partly described in Eagle et al., (2013). One sample of 20 mg for each
213 of these species was collected by milling the middle of the shell, and these samples thus
214 correspond to a mix of the prismatic and nacreous layers.

215 Two *Mytilus californianus* mussel specimens but from different locations, the USA
216 (Washington State) and Mexico, were also studied. The shell of *Mytilus californianus* is composed
217 of a calcite prismatic outer layer and an aragonite nacreous inner layer. Because of this
218 mineralogical heterogeneity, both specimens were micro-drilled at various locations of the shell
219 in order to sample the inner or outer layer separately.

220 Clam specimens studied here comprise three genera (*Chione*, *Tridacna* and *Laternula*). *Chione*
221 specimens (mostly composed of aragonite) are from three different species: *Chione californiensis*
222 (California), *Chione subimbricata* (Costa Rica), and *Chione subrugosa* (Peru). The two *Tridacna* species
223 studied were *Tridacna gigas* (Costa Rica) and *Tridacna maxima* (Mariana island), both with a shell
224 of pure aragonite. One shell sample of 20 mg for each of these species was collected by milling
225 the middle of the shell, and specific inner and outer layers were also sampled to test for intra-
226 shell variability.

227 Five specimens each from different species of calcitic brachiopods were investigated in
228 this study. These samples include the species *Campages mariae* (Aliguay Island, Philippines),
229 *Laqueus rubellus* (Sagami Bay, Japan), *Terebratalia transversa* (Friday Harbor, Washington State,
230 USA), *Notosaria nigricans* (South Island, New Zealand), and *Frenulina sanguinolenta* (Mactan Island,
231 Philippines). These Brachiopods have primary and secondary shell layers (both calcite, with
232 different ultrastructure). Unlike the primary layer and the outer part of the secondary layer, the
233 innermost part of the secondary layer is characterized by negligible vital effects for C and O
234 isotopes (Cusack et al., 2012; Penman et al., 2013; Ullmann et al., 2017; Auclair et al., 2003;
235 Parkinson et al., 2005). We primarily sampled bulk mixed layer samples (corresponding mostly
236 to the secondary layer) in this study. Approximately 20 mg of bulk powder was collected from

237 each species except for *Terebratulina retusa*, which was sampled from various portions of the shell
238 to test for intra-shell variability of Li isotope composition.

239 Three species of sea urchins (High-Mg calcite) were collected from California waters,
240 *Strongylocentrotus fransiscanus*, *Strongylocentrotus purpuratus* and *Dendraster* sp. and a large 30 mg bulk
241 powder was collected for each of the samples.

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243 **2.2. Cultured shells**

244 Two calcite bivalve species, *Mytilus edulis* and *Pecten maximus* (Freitas et al., 2008) and one
245 aragonite bivalve (*Mercenaria mercenaria*) were experimentally grown at various temperatures.
246 Details about the culture experiments for *Mytilus edulis* and *Pecten maximus* are available in
247 (Freitas et al., 2012, 2008, 2006). *Mercenaria mercenaria* was grown at temperature between 15
248 and 30°C, *Mytilus edulis* between 10.7 and 20.2°C and *Pecten maximus* between 10.8 and 20.2°C.
249 Only the outer layer of the shells was sampled. The thin inner layer of *Mytilus edulis* was milled
250 out when present (from the pallial line towards the umbo) before sampling from the outer
251 surface. For *Pecten maximus*, the shell was sampled from the outer cross-lamellar layer, close to
252 the margin and away from the inner layer and myostracum. Surface features like growth
253 disturbances and the striae that tend to show a disturbed arrangement of crystals and high
254 Mg/Ca, Sr/Ca and Mn/Ca ratios (Freitas et al., 2006) were included in the sampling.

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3. ANALYTICAL METHODS

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258 **3.1. Mineralogy**

259 The proportion of aragonite versus calcite for the vast majority of the powdered samples
260 was measured at the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County with a R-AXIS RAPID
261 II X-ray diffraction system. Whole-pattern-fitting, implemented in JADE 2010 (Materials Data,
262 Inc.), was used to analyze the X-ray powder diffraction patterns. The precision for this method
263 is about $\pm 5\%$.

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265 **3.2. Leaching and dissolution of the samples**

266 Since lithium concentrations in carbonates are generally very low (lower than 1 ppm),
267 carbonate samples are sensitive to contamination by other phases during dissolution,
268 particularly silicate minerals (Vigier et al., 2007). All samples were therefore subjected to a pre-
269 leach following a method modified from Saenger and Wang (2014), to remove exchangeable

270 ions using 1N ammonium acetate followed by 3 rinses with milliQ (millipore) water. The
271 samples were then digested in dilute hydrochloric acid (HCl 0.05N) for 1 hour. The volume of
272 acid used for digestion was calculated to dissolve about 95% of the sample in order to minimize
273 the leaching of non-carbonate phases. After 1 hour, the supernatant was collected while the
274 sample residue was weighed in order to determine the yield of the digestion. For the great
275 majority of samples, the yield for the digestion was between 90 and 100%. As discussed below,
276 Al/Ca ratios were measured in order to confirm the absence of aluminosilicate-derived solutes
277 in the leachate.

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279 **3.3. Trace element measurements**

280 Ratios of trace elements Li, Mg, Sr, Al, Mn, Fe relative to Ca were measured using a
281 Thermo Scientific Element 2 inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometer (ICP-MS) at the
282 University of Southern California (USC) following a method adapted from Misra et al., (2014).
283 All samples and standards were measured at a Ca concentration of 50 ppm. Li, Mg, Sr, Al
284 concentrations were measured at low mass resolution whereas Fe and Mn were measured at
285 medium mass resolution. The instrument was first conditioned for 1 hour with a solution of 50
286 ppm Ca. A set of 10 multi-elemental calibration standards was measured at the beginning of
287 the run, and a bracketing standard solution was measured every 5 to 10 samples to correct for
288 the drift of the signal. Accuracy and precision of analyses were checked using the aragonite
289 reference material FEBS-1 (NRC) and in-house prepared standard solutions matching typical
290 calcium carbonate chemical composition. Analytical precision was between 5 and 15%,
291 depending on the element and the concentration (see details in supplementary materials).

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293 **3.4. Lithium isotopes**

294 Lithium was separated from the matrix by ion-exchange chromatography using a method
295 modified from James and Palmer, (2000). The dissolved calcium carbonate fraction was passed
296 through a column containing 4mL of Biorad AG50W X-12 (200–400 mesh) resin. The Li
297 fraction was eluted with 0.5N HCl (elution volume of about 13.5 mL) and evaporated to dryness
298 at a temperature of 90-100°C. Purified samples were kept until measurement as solid salts in
299 Teflon beakers and subsequently dissolved in 5% HNO₃ for mass spectrometry analysis.
300 Lithium isotope ratios were measured on a Thermo Neptune MC ICP-MS at Caltech, using a
301 Cetac Aridus desolvator as an introduction system. Samples were measured following a
302 standard-sample bracketing method with the commonly used L-SVEC standard (Flesch et al.,
303 1973). The method comprised 50 cycles of 4 seconds for both standards and samples. Typical

304 sensitivity was ~ 30 pA (about 3V) for 10 ng/g Li solution. Most of the samples were measured
305 at concentrations ranging from 5 to 10 ng/g, the smallest samples measured at 1 or 2 ng/g. A
306 clean acid measurement was measured before and after each sample and standard and
307 subtracted to correct for the background contribution. Each sample was typically measured
308 twice in a row. Accuracy and reproducibility of the isotopic measurements were checked
309 through repeated analyses of seawater, with long-term average $\delta^7\text{Li} = +30.9 \pm 0.8\text{‰}$ (2s, n=63
310 separations and measurements) and L-SVEC solutions passed through columns giving $\delta^7\text{Li} =$
311 $-0.1 \pm 0.8\text{‰}$ (2s, n=25 separations and measurements). We therefore consider that the external
312 measurement precision is $\pm 1\text{‰}$. More informations about the analytical method are available
313 in the supplementary materials.

314 The samples of the oyster *Crassostrea gigas* from the List Basin were purified using a similar
315 technique (Pogge von Strandmann et al., 2013, Pogge von Strandmann and Henderson, 2015),
316 where the dissolved calcium carbonate fraction was passed through a 2-stage cation exchange
317 procedure with columns containing Biorad AG50W X-12 (200-400 mesh) resin. The first
318 column contained 2.4ml resin, and the second column 0.5ml. In both cases the Li fraction was
319 eluted using 0.2M HCl. Analyses were performed on a Nu Instruments HR MC-ICP-MS at
320 Oxford, with a ^7Li sensitivity of ~ 18 pA for a 20 ng/ml solution at an uptake rate of 75 $\mu\text{l}/\text{min}$.
321 Analyses consisted of three separate repeats of 10 ratios (10 s total integration time), for a total
322 duration of 300 s/sample during each analytical session. Precision and accuracy were assessed
323 by multiple analyses of N. Atlantic seawater, with a long-term value and reproducibility of
324 $+31.2 \pm 0.6\text{‰}$ (2 s.d. n=61). Other carbonate (JLs-1 and in-house marl standard) and rock
325 (BCR-2 and SGR-1) standards are reported in Pogge von Strandmann et al. (2013, 2017). The
326 total procedural blank for Li isotopes is effectively undetectable (<0.005 ng Li).

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4. RESULTS

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4.1. Sample mineralogy

331 The sample set from this study included shells composed of pure calcite, aragonite, high-
332 Mg calcite and mixtures of these minerals. Mineralogy was measured when possible on the
333 same powder used for Li isotope analysis (see table 1). Pure calcite specimens (over 95% calcite)
334 included oysters (*C. gigas*), scallops (*P. maximus*, *C. cheritata* and *C. hastata*), and brachiopod
335 samples. Pure aragonitic skeletal material from this study included clams (*T. gigas* and *T. maxima*)
336 and gastropods (*Turritella*). All other measured specimens had a mixed mineralogy, and, for this

337 reason, were micro-sampled at specific locations on the shells to obtain mineralogically pure
338 phases. The drilled *C. squamosa* sample contained about 30% aragonite. *Chione* samples were
339 primarily composed of aragonite, with a lesser proportion of calcite (1 to 46%). The mineralogy
340 of *Mytilus californianus* shell samples ranged from pure calcite to pure aragonite. The mineralogy
341 of experiment culture samples was not measured but inferred from previous studies (e.g., Ries,
342 2011; Freitas et al., 2006, 2008) to be either pure calcite (*Mytilus edulis*, *Pecten maximus*) or pure
343 aragonite (*Mercenaria mercenaria*). The mineralogy for specific layers of the oyster sample was not
344 measured either but is assumed to be pure calcite (Ullmann et al., 2010). In the following, we
345 refer to “calcite” or “aragonite” for samples having more than 95% calcite and aragonite,
346 respectively, with other samples being classified as "mixed".

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348 **4.2. Major and trace element ratios**

349 We use minor and major element ratios, along with mineralogical data, to characterize
350 the samples from this study. In general, aragonite has higher Sr and lower Mg concentrations
351 than calcite (Dodd, 1967; Milliman et al., 1974). Our dataset is consistent with these
352 observations. The Mg/Ca ratios of the current dataset span over two orders of magnitude,
353 ranging from 0.3 to 109 mmol.mol⁻¹ (Fig 3). Aragonite and mixed shell samples have lower
354 Mg/Ca values (0.3 to 8.0 mmol.mol⁻¹) compared to low-magnesium calcite (LMC; with Mg/Ca
355 of 1.0 to 20.0 mmol.mol⁻¹). The sea urchin samples (HMC) have the highest Mg/Ca ratios
356 within this dataset, ranging from 80 to 109 mmol.mol⁻¹. The Mg/Ca values of the shells of
357 *Pecten maximus* and *Mytilus edulis* agree well with previously published values from the literature
358 (Freitas et al., 2009, 2008, 2006). The Sr/Ca values range from 0.5 to 2.5 mmol.mol⁻¹, with
359 aragonite and high-magnesium calcite (HMC) samples from this study having higher Sr/Ca
360 compared to LMC. The Mg/Ca and Sr/Ca values of our samples are in the range of previously
361 published values for modern mollusks (Steuber, 1999), brachiopods (Brand et al., 2003;
362 Delaney et al., 1989; Ullmann et al., 2017) and sea urchins (Carpenter and Lohmann, 1992;
363 LaVigne et al., 2013).

364 The Li/Ca ratios of bivalve mollusk from this study range between 3.7 to 52.0 μmol.mol⁻¹
365 ¹, while the only gastropod, *Turritella*, has the lowest Li/Ca value (1.7 μmol.mol⁻¹) of all the
366 samples. Brachiopods have Li/Ca ratios ranging from 20 to 43 μmol.mol⁻¹, while the high-Mg
367 calcite echinoderm specimens have the highest Li/Ca of this dataset, ranging from 60 to 81
368 μmol.mol⁻¹. The Li/Ca of our samples are within the range of previously published Li/Ca from
369 the literature (see Fig. 4). If we consider all reported measurements (including measurements
370 made at various parts on a single shell), the range of Li/Ca ratio of biogenic calcite is very high

371 with values up to 250 $\mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ measured on some part of the Bivalve *Pecten maximus* (Thébaud
372 and Chauvaud, 2013). However, if we consider only the average value for each specimen,
373 Li/Ca ratio ranges from 10 to 50 $\mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ for LMC organisms, between 1 and 30 $\mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$
374 for aragonitic specimens, and between 60 and 90 $\mu\text{mol}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$ for High-Mg calcite biogenic
375 carbonates, showing that there is a mineralogical control on the Li/Ca of biogenic carbonate
376 (Fig. 4b). Furthermore, there is an overall correlation between Li/Ca and Mg/Ca (Fig. 3) for
377 all biogenic carbonates, suggesting that these two elements are impacted by one or more
378 common processes during biomineralization.

379 The elemental compositions of cultured experiment samples (for which the mineralogy
380 was not measured) are in agreement with other samples and plot inside the field defined by
381 each polymorph mineral (Fig. 4). For the oyster sample from List Tidal Basin (assumed to be
382 pure calcite), we observe that 3 samples have much higher Sr/Ca ratio and lower Li/Ca than
383 surrounding samples and plot well outside the trend defined by the mixture between aragonite
384 and calcite. Whether these samples contain some aragonite or high-Mg calcite, or perhaps have
385 been altered, has not been determined. In the absence of additional information, these samples
386 will not be further considered in our interpretation.

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388 **4.3. Lithium isotopes**

389 For the entire dataset (Table 1), the Li isotope composition ranges between +14.9 and
390 +40.7‰, indicating that these biogenic carbonates have both lower and higher $\delta^7\text{Li}$ compared
391 to modern seawater (+31‰). For the modern biogenic carbonates, the pure aragonitic mollusks
392 have the lowest $\delta^7\text{Li}$ values, ranging from +14.9 to +21.7‰, whereas the pure calcitic mollusks
393 have higher $\delta^7\text{Li}$, ranging from +20.5 to +40.7‰ (Fig. 4). Mixed aragonite-calcite samples
394 have intermediate values. For the extensively micro-sampled North Sea oyster sample, the $\delta^7\text{Li}$
395 ranges from 20.5 to 37.8‰ with no significant systematic differences between the chalky and
396 foliate layers. The 8 brachiopod and 3 echinoderm samples have relatively uniform $\delta^7\text{Li}$,
397 ranging respectively from +24.7 to +27.8‰ and from +24.1 to +24.4‰ (Fig. 4). The field
398 collected specimens from this study come from various locations that span a wide range of
399 ocean temperatures (-1 to 30°C). As discussed before, because the location of most of the
400 samples is not known precisely, and because natural temperatures may vary seasonally, we
401 assign a 2°C uncertainty to estimated growth temperatures and only look to identify any large
402 first order relationships. We find no effect of temperature on the measured $\delta^7\text{Li}$ using this
403 approach (Fig. 5B). This lack of correlation is particularly clear for the four specimens of

404 *Crassostrea gigas*, with temperatures ranging from +10 to +22°C (points labelled C.G.1 to C.G.4
405 in Fig. 5B). In addition, we can also consider the influence of short timescale (weekly to monthly)
406 temperature variation on the Li isotope composition of *Crassostrea gigas* specimen from the North
407 Sea. For this specimen, we establish time series along foliate structure and chalky using growth
408 strata, and calcification temperatures were calculated using the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ of each sample (Ullmann
409 et al., 2013a, 2010). No correlation was observed between the calcification temperature and
410 $\delta^7\text{Li}$ for either the chalky substance or foliate layers, despite the large range of $\delta^7\text{Li}$ values.

411 For the samples from growth experiments at various temperatures, the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ ranges from
412 +32.1 to +35.2‰ from *Pecten maximus* samples, from +33.3 to +39.7‰ for *Mytilus edulis*, and
413 from +17.2 to +19.2‰ for *Mercenaria mercenaria*. Experimental temperatures ranged from 10 to
414 22°C for the calcitic bivalve mollusks and from 15 to 30°C for the aragonitic bivalves. For the
415 two calcitic calcifiers (*Mytilus edulis* and *Pecten maximus*), we observe a weak positive correlation
416 between measured $\delta^7\text{Li}$ and temperature for the studied range ($r^2=0.3$; Fig. 5a). The Li isotope
417 composition is slightly higher at high temperature than at lower temperature with a $\delta^7\text{Li}$ -
418 temperature relationship of about +0.2‰/°C. For the aragonitic bivalve (*Mercenaria mercenaria*),
419 the opposite relation is observed, with slightly higher $\delta^7\text{Li}$ at low temperature than at to high
420 temperature ($\delta^7\text{Li}$ -temperature relationship of -0.1‰/°C).

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422 5. DISCUSSION

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424 The $\delta^7\text{Li}$ range for biogenic carbonates from this study (+14.9 to +40.7‰) is much larger
425 than the range of previously-reported Li isotope compositions for both inorganic carbonates
426 and modern seawater (Marriott et al., 2004a, 2004b; Misra and Froelich, 2012). This suggests
427 an environmental and/or biological control on the Li isotope composition of these biogenic
428 carbonates. In this discussion, we explore the influence of mineralogy, temperature, and biology
429 (taxonomic differences, inter-species, and intra-specimen variability) on the Li isotope
430 fractionation of mollusks, brachiopods and sea urchins. We show that biological processes
431 significantly influence the Li isotope composition and Li/Ca ratio of mollusk shells, but not the
432 compositions of the secondary layer (the only one measured in this study) of brachiopods.

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434 5.1. Influence of mineralogy

435 Experimental inorganic calcium carbonate precipitates have lower $\delta^7\text{Li}$ values compared
436 to the solution from which they precipitate (Marriott et al., 2004a,b; Gabitov et al., 2011), with

437 aragonite more fractionated ($\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{aragonite-solution}} = -7$ to -12‰) than calcite ($\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{calcite-solution}} =$
438 -2 to -5‰). Biogenic carbonates also are fractionated differently according to their mineralogy
439 with $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of calcite shells (excluding samples “ofl04, 05 and 06”) from $+25$ to $+40\text{‰}$ whereas
440 aragonitic shells have $\delta^7\text{Li}$ from $+15$ to $+24\text{‰}$ (Fig. 4a), with bi-mineralic shells exhibiting
441 intermediate $\delta^7\text{Li}$. These observations are consistent with other types of biogenic carbonates.
442 as the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of modern calcitic planktic foraminifera is systematically higher than 26‰
443 (Hathorne and James, 2006; Misra and Froelich, 2009) whereas corals (aragonite) have $\delta^7\text{Li}$
444 consistently lower than $+25\text{‰}$ (Rollion-Bard et al., 2009). Interestingly, the three high-Mg
445 calcite samples (echinoderms) of this study have an intermediate $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of $+24\text{‰}$. We also note
446 systematic differences in Li/Ca ratio amongst aragonite, calcite and high-Mg calcite samples.
447 The inorganic partition coefficient for Li (relative to Ca) between inorganic carbonates and
448 solution (referred here as K_d^{Li}), determined in abiogenic experiments, is slightly higher for
449 aragonite compared to calcite (Marriott et al., 2004a,b). However, the Li/Ca ratio of aragonitic
450 skeletons is generally lower than biogenic calcite (see the compilation by Hathorne et al., 2013)
451 and this difference is confirmed by this study (Fig. 4b).

452 The reasons for the differential incorporation of Li and its isotopes between the various
453 inorganic carbonate minerals are not clear. Previous studies have proposed that Li^+ substitutes
454 for the Ca^{2+} site in aragonite, whereas in calcite, Li is incorporated interstitially (Marriott et
455 al., 2004a,b). The larger isotope fractionation observed in inorganic aragonite compared to
456 calcite could be due to the fact that there is less fractionation of Li isotopes during incorporation
457 in the interstitial position in calcite compared to substitution Li^+ for Ca^{2+} in aragonite
458 (Okumura and Kitano, 1986; Tomascak et al., 2016). Additionally, because of their similar
459 ionic radii, Li often substitutes for Mg in silicate minerals (Tomascak et al., 2016). Hence,
460 differences in Mg binding environment between calcite and aragonite could also potentially
461 explain the different Li isotope composition between these minerals.

462

463 **5.2. Influence of temperature**

464 The three bivalve species (*Pecten maximus*, *Mytilus edulis* and *Mercenaria mercenaria*) grown at
465 different temperatures, keeping other parameters constant, show only weak correlation ($r^2 =$
466 0.3 to 0.5) with temperature (Fig. 5a). The $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of field-collected specimens from various
467 locations show no relationship with temperature. Collectively, these data indicate that
468 temperature has minor influences on $\delta^7\text{Li}$ within mollusk species but is not the first order
469 control on $\delta^7\text{Li}$ variability across the mollusk species investigated in this study. This conclusion

470 is consistent with results from inorganic carbonate precipitation experiments (see Fig. 5a) that
471 show no temperature-dependence of carbonate $\delta^7\text{Li}$ (Marriott et al., 2004a). The same
472 observation was made for experimentally-grown foraminifera *Amphistegina lessonnii* (Vigier et al.,
473 2015). We note that the field-collected coral samples also showed no correlation between
474 temperature and $\delta^7\text{Li}$ (Marriott et al., 2004a; Rollion-Bard et al., 2009).

475 In contrast to $\delta^7\text{Li}$ values, relationships between carbonate Li/Mg, and to a lesser extent
476 Li/Ca, and temperature have been reported in other studies (Marriott et al., 2004a; Montagna
477 et al., 2014; Case et al., 2010; Bryan and Marchitto 2008; Fowell et al., 2016; Hathorne et al.,
478 2013). For inorganic calcite (Marriott et al., 2004a) and brachiopods (Delaney et al., 1989),
479 Li/Ca ratios exhibit a negative relationship with temperature. For corals and foraminifera, very
480 good correlations have been observed between temperature and Li/Mg ratio, suggesting that
481 the latter might be a promising proxy for reconstructing past ocean temperature. We observe
482 that although some samples from this study plot close to the inorganic trend, most samples have
483 higher Li/Ca than inorganic carbonate for a given temperature (not shown). Similar to the case
484 for Li isotopes, temperature does not seem to be the first-order control on Li/Ca of mollusks
485 across species, although it does influence Li/Ca within mollusk species. On the other hand, the
486 brachiopods from this study plot on the same Li/Ca vs. temperature regression as the
487 brachiopods from Delaney et al., (1989) confirming the temperature control of Li/Ca for
488 brachiopods (Fig. 5c).

489 Considering the relationship between the Li/Mg ratio in mollusks and water
490 temperature, several observations can be made. First, for the growth experiments, for which
491 the temperature has been monitored, we observe a strong correlation between Li/Mg and T
492 for the species *Mytilus edulis* ($r^2 = 0.83$; Fig 5D) but no correlation for *Pecten maximus* and
493 *Mercenaria mercenaria*. This is the first time that a correlation between the Li/Mg in a marine
494 bivalve and temperature is reported. This suggests that the Li/Mg ratio in *Mytilus edulis* has
495 great potential for paleo-temperature reconstruction in the ocean. However, more data testing
496 the influence of other parameters are necessary to definitely validate such a calibration.
497 Secondly, the relationship between Li/Mg and T for *Mytilus edulis* is different from the
498 relationships defined by other organisms (e.g. Montagna et al., 2014; Case et al., 2010; Bryan
499 and Marchitto 2008; Fowell et al., 2016), indicating that the relationship between Li/Mg and
500 temperature is taxon-dependent. Finally, if we report also field-collected organisms on the
501 Li/Mg temperature plot (see figure in supplementary materials), we observe that although there
502 is a global trend of decreasing Li/Mg with temperature, the correlation between these two
503 parameters is highly scattered. Thus, contrary to corals, the relationship between Li/Mg and

504 temperature is overall quite weak and therefore it appears difficult to use mollusk Li/Mg to
505 estimate water temperature unless targeting specific species (like *Mytilus edulis*).

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507 **5.3. Intra-shell variability**

508 A large intra-shell Li isotope variability (up to 25‰) is observed for bi-mineralic mollusk
509 shells. This is best exemplified by *Mytilus californianus*, for which the inner aragonitic nacreous
510 layer has a $\delta^7\text{Li}$ as low as 15‰, while the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of the outer calcite prismatic layer is about 40‰.
511 All *Mytilus californianus* samples plot on the same negative regression between $\delta^7\text{Li}$ and the
512 proportion of aragonite measured by XRD (Fig. 6). Interestingly, no variation is observed
513 across the horizontal length of the outer layer (rectangles in Fig. 6). This result indicates that
514 the Li isotope composition of the calcite part of the shell of *Mytilus californianus* is relatively
515 homogenous and independent of shell growth rate or age. In contrast, for the *Chione* shells,
516 dominantly composed of aragonite with a small proportion of calcite (in general < 20%, one
517 sample at 55%), the observed intra-shell variability is much lower (less than 3‰), although the
518 samples with the highest proportion of calcite have systematically highest $\delta^7\text{Li}$ for each species.

519 Intra-shell variability was also investigated on a calcitic oyster (*Crassostrea gigas*) and
520 aragonitic clam (*Tridacna maxima*). The observed intra-shell variability of the aragonitic clam is
521 small, less than 2‰ between the outer and inner layer. In contrast, relatively large $\delta^7\text{Li}$
522 variability (about 12‰; excluding the anomalous Mg/Ca and Sr/Ca samples) was observed
523 for *Crassostrea gigas* in at least 3 specimens. However, no significant differences were noticed
524 between the chalky and foliate layers, indicating that Li isotope variability in this oyster is not
525 controlled by the chalky vs. foliate nature of the calcite shell. Finally, intra-shell variability was
526 also tested for a brachiopod shell (*Terebratulina transversa*), for which we observe a limited
527 variability of 2.5‰ between anterior and posterior valves. However, we did not attempt to
528 determine whether the secondary and primary layers of brachiopod shells have similar $\delta^7\text{Li}$, as
529 has been done for others isotope proxies (Auclair et al., 2003; Cusack et al., 2012; Parkinson et
530 al., 2005; Penman et al., 2013; Ullmann et al., 2017), and this question remains to be
531 investigated.

532 In summary, there is significant but not systematic intra-shell variability for some
533 skeletons. The largest intra-shell $\delta^7\text{Li}$ variability (> 25‰) is controlled by mineralogical mixing
534 between calcite and aragonite, but up to 12‰ variability is also observed in some
535 mineralogically pure species (e.g., the oyster *C. gigas*) while intra-shell variability of less than
536 2.5‰ is observed in other taxa (*Chione*, *Tridacna*, *Terebratulina*).

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538 **5.4. Influence of biological processes**

539 *5.4.1. Evidence for vital effects*

540 Here, we compare our biogenic samples to inorganic carbonates. Precipitation
541 experiments have shown that the carbonate phase is enriched in ^6Li compared to the fluid from
542 which it precipitates (Marriott et al., 2004a,b). Following Planchon et al. (2013), we can define
543 the deviation from inorganic values as $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}} = \delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{carbonate biogenic}} - \delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{carbonate inorganic}}$ with
544 “ $\delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{carbonate inorganic}}$ ” being the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ value of the corresponding inorganic carbonate precipitated
545 from modern seawater ($\delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{seawater}} = 31\text{‰}$), as derived from the experiments by Marriott et al.
546 (2004a,b). We use a $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{calcite-solution}}$ value of -3‰ for the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of inorganic calcite and a
547 $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{aragonite-solution}}$ value of -12‰ for inorganic aragonite (Marriott et al., 2004b, 2004a). The
548 $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ values of mollusk shells range from -4 to $+14\text{‰}$ (Fig. 7). This suggests a strong vital
549 effect on the incorporation of Li isotopes in mollusk shells. The $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ of brachiopods ranges
550 between 0 and -3‰ (average of -1.4‰ , $n = 8$ measurements), suggesting a limited influence
551 of vital effects for this group of organisms. Interestingly, the $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ values are larger and
552 more positive for calcitic mollusk shells (i.e. they preferentially incorporate the heavy isotope
553 ^7Li) compared to aragonitic shells. This result indicates that physiological processes favor the
554 utilization of the light isotope for aragonitic mollusks and the heavy isotope for calcitic mollusks.
555 The influence of vital effects on Li isotope composition have also been identified for benthic
556 foraminifera by Vigier et al. (2015) who showed that the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of cultured *Amphistegina* benthic
557 foraminifera can be as low as 21‰ and as high as 38‰ , depending upon the DIC concentration
558 of seawater.

559 Regarding the Li/Ca values, as observed by Hathorne et al. (2013) and described in
560 section 5.2., biogenic calcite has higher average Li/Ca than biogenic aragonite, the opposite of
561 what is observed for inorganic carbonates (Marriott et al., 2004a,b). This apparent conundrum
562 may be explained by the influence of physiological processes that either favor Li incorporation
563 for calcite relative to aragonite through the involvement of specific cellular processes or if there
564 is a strong influence of the pH and/or calcification rate (as suggested by the study of Gabitov
565 et al., 2011) on the inorganic equilibrium partition coefficients. This stresses the need for more
566 experiments looking at the controls on the inorganic partition coefficients and specifically the
567 role of pH and calcification rates.

568 In order to remove variability arising from differences between partition coefficient of
569 inorganic calcite and aragonite, we normalize the observed partition coefficient of Li between

570 biogenic carbonate and seawater [$D^{Li} = (Li/Ca)_{biogenic\ carb.} / (Li/Ca)_{seawater}$] to the partition
571 coefficient between inorganic carbonates and seawater [$Kd^{Li} = (Li/Ca)_{inorganic\ carb.} /$
572 $(Li/Ca)_{seawater}$]. We define this parameter as $\beta^{Li} = D^{Li}/Kd^{Li}$ to express the enrichment or
573 depletion in Li (relative to Ca) in the biogenic carbonate relative to inorganic carbonate, i.e.,
574 the enrichment or depletion in Li in shells due to physiological processes only. As discussed
575 previously, inorganic experiments have shown that Kd^{Li} (defined as “ D^{Li} ” in Marriott et al.,
576 2004 but referred to here as “ Kd^{Li} ”) for calcite is a function of temperature. Hence for each
577 sample, the β^{Li} value should be calculated with the Kd^{Li} corresponding to the growing
578 temperature of the shell. However, as discussed before, there is a large uncertainty on the
579 growth temperature of field-collected shells from this study. In addition, the relationship
580 between Kd^{Li} and temperature for aragonite has yet to be experimentally investigated.
581 Therefore, we consider both (i) β^{Li} values normalized to the Kd^{Li} determined at 25°C, which
582 we will refer to as “ $\beta^{Li}_{25^{\circ}C}$ ” and (ii) β^{Li_T} calculated with the Kd^{Li} value corresponding to the
583 associated growth temperature and applied to aragonite using the same relationship to
584 temperature as determined for calcite. Considering the data from both this study and from the
585 literature (on other biogenic carbonates), the calculated β^{Li} values are between 0.2 and 3 for
586 aragonite skeletons and between 2 and more than 10 for calcite skeletons (Fig. 7). Hence, calcite
587 organisms are systematically enriched in Li relative to inorganic calcite, likely as a result of
588 Biologically-controlled processes.

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590 *5.4.2. Taxonomic differences in δ^7Li and Li/Ca*

591 Comparison of our results with published data reveals important differences in the δ^7Li
592 and Li/Ca ratios between various species, genera and phyla. At the phylum level, the largest
593 differences in Li isotope composition are observed within the group of calcite organisms for
594 which each phylum has a specific pair of $\Delta^7Li_{physiol}$ and β^{Li} values (Fig. 7). The range of
595 $\Delta^7Li_{physiol}$ of modern field-collected calcitic mollusks (−2 to +13‰) is significantly larger
596 compared to modern planktic foraminifera (−2 to +4‰), brachiopods (−3 to 0‰), and benthic
597 foraminifera (−7 to −1‰). Aragonitic calcifiers, including corals ($\Delta^7Li_{physio} = 0$ to +4‰), and
598 aragonitic bivalves (−4 to +1‰), have a smaller range of $\Delta^7Li_{physiol}$. We also observe that for a
599 given $\Delta^7Li_{physiol}$ value, sea urchins, brachiopods, and mollusks have the highest β^{Li} , followed by
600 planktic and benthic foraminifera, followed by aragonite calcifiers. This shows that
601 physiological processes significantly influence the proportion of Li incorporated into the shell
602 of various types of calcifiers.

603 In addition, we also investigated the importance of inter-genera and inter-species
604 variability by comparing the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of shells from various species grown in similar thermal
605 environments. Our dataset reveals large inter-species differences in Li isotope composition of
606 mollusk shells (for a given mineralogy), in contrast to foraminifera and brachiopods. Shells of
607 mollusk species *Mytilus edulis* and *Pecten maximus*, grown at various temperature, all other
608 parameters constant, exhibit systematic Li isotope differences of 4 to 5‰ for seawater
609 temperatures ranging from 10 to 20°C (Fig. 5B). Furthermore, we observe that the two species
610 of *Chlamys* have higher $\delta^7\text{Li}$ compared to species of other mollusk genera grown at similar
611 temperature. Up to 7‰ variability between species of equivalent mineralogy is observed at a
612 given temperature (Fig. 5B).

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614 5.4.3. Origin of the vital effect for calcite mollusks

615 When $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ values are compared to $\beta^{\text{Li}}_{25^\circ\text{C}}$ for mollusks (Fig. 7), we observe a negative
616 correlation between $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ and $\beta^{\text{Li}}_{25^\circ\text{C}}$ for *Mytilus edulis* specimens grown at various
617 temperature ($r^2=0.85$). Interestingly, this relationship is also observed for all calcitic mollusks
618 ($r^2=0.63$) from this study. For the temperature-normalized inorganic Li/Ca ratios ($\beta^{\text{Li-T}}$), the
619 correlation is less good but still holds for calcite mollusks ($r^2=0.45$) but not for *Mytilus edulis*
620 specimens ($r^2=0.21$). For aragonite mollusks, we also observe a negative correlation between
621 $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ and $\beta^{\text{Li}}_{25^\circ\text{C}}$ ($r^2=0.47$) but no correlation is observed with $\beta^{\text{Li-T}}$. In this section, we
622 discuss several hypotheses for explaining this correlation and relate these observations to
623 potential mechanisms of Li isotope fractionation during biomineralization.

624 Most skeletal organisms calcify in a reservoir isolated from external seawater. They favor
625 calcification by either (i) increasing saturation state (by increasing their internal pH, DIC
626 and/or internal Ca concentration), (ii) reducing their internal fluid Mg/Ca ratio (in particular
627 for modern calcite organisms), or (iii) using a complex organic template to control orientation
628 and distribution of crystals during nucleation (Immenhauser et al., 2016; Ries, 2010). These
629 pathways are not mutually exclusive. Mollusks have an extracellular-type process of
630 biomineralization (Immenhauser et al., 2016; Weiner and Addadi, 2011; Weiner and Dove,
631 2003). Precipitation of the inner layer is inferred to take place somewhere in the extrapallial
632 space (which contains extrapallial fluid or EPF), located between the inner shell surface and the
633 outer mantle epithelium. For the outer layer, the EPF is located between the prismatic layer
634 and the mantle epithelium. The EPF contains inorganic ions and various organic molecules
635 that interact to form the biominerals. Precipitation is controlled by specialized cells of the outer
636 mantle epithelium that release complex organic macromolecules that are used as organic

637 templates for controlling the morphology of precipitated crystals. Usually, a precursor
638 amorphous carbonate phase (ACC) is first precipitated and then transformed to calcite or
639 aragonite (Baronnet et al., 2008, Weiner and Addadi, 2011). It has been suggested that
640 precursor amorphous phases are also used by echinoderms (Beniash et al., 1997).

641 The negative relationship between $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ and β^{Li} for calcite mollusks cannot be
642 produced by carbonate precipitation alone (e.g., by varying proportions of Li incorporated into
643 carbonates) because (i) the partitioning of Li between the carbonates and the fluid strongly
644 favors the fluid ($K^{\text{Li}} \ll 1$), hence very small amount of Li is incorporated into carbonate
645 minerals and therefore carbonate precipitation does not change the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of the fluid and (ii)
646 carbonates would have $\delta^7\text{Li}$ lower than seawater, not higher as observed for most of the mollusk
647 samples, because ^6Li is preferentially incorporated into inorganic carbonates. Furthermore, it
648 has been argued that in bivalves, passive ion transport through ion channels to the calcification
649 site results in similar composition in the extrapallial space as in the seawater (Immenhauser et
650 al., 2016). Hence, the most likely explanation for the observed trends is that the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ and Li
651 concentration of the calcification fluid is modified prior to carbonate precipitation by
652 physiological processes leading to addition or removal of Li in the internal calcification medium
653 and that this process also fractionates Li isotopes.

654 This type of mechanism was recently proposed by Vigier et al. (2015) for explaining the
655 range of Li/Ca and $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of cultured foraminifera of the genus *Amphistegina* at low and high DIC
656 concentrations. In this conceptual model, elevation of pH within the seawater vacuoles is
657 achieved by a Na/proton exchanger that removes protons from the vacuoles and transports
658 Na (and Li) inside the vacuoles (Bentov et al., 2009; Erez, 2003). These vacuoles are then
659 transported into the calcification site of foraminifera where the organic matrix is present
660 (Bentov et al., 2009; Erez, 2003). At low DIC concentration, the activity of the Na/proton
661 exchanger would be more intense and more Li would be transported into the calcification site
662 (Vigier et al., 2015). Assuming this process fractionates Li isotopes (for example by kinetic or
663 enzymatic isotope fractionation), the result would be an increase in the Li/Ca ratio and a
664 decrease in the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of the calcification reservoir relative to seawater (i.e. negative $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$
665 values). This is what we observe for aragonite mollusks as most of the samples have negative
666 $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ values. Moreover, benthic foraminifera and some calcite mollusks and brachiopods
667 also have slightly negative $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ values (Fig. 7). Hence, this process could potentially explain
668 their variability in Li isotope and Li/Ca ratios. However, the great majority of calcitic mollusks
669 and foraminifera have positive $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ values, which implies the need for a different
670 explanation.

671 Another possibility, is that Li is actively removed from the calcification site, with an
672 isotope fractionation leading to preferential removal of ^6Li (Vigier et al., 2015). This process
673 would lead to high $\delta^7\text{Li}$ (high $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$) and low Li/Ca (low β^{Li}) of carbonates. Removal of Mg
674 from the calcification reservoir through Mg specific channels has previously been suggested for
675 foraminifera (Bentov and Erez, 2006; Zeebe and Sanyal, 2002) to explain their low Mg/Ca
676 value relative to seawater, even if the relevance of this process is debated (Pogge von
677 Strandmann et al., 2014; Wombacher et al., 2011). Indeed, high Mg content in fluids inhibits
678 calcite precipitation (e.g. Berner, 1975), so removal of Mg is one possible strategy to favor calcite
679 precipitation (Ries, 2010; Wang et al., 2013; Bentov and Erez, 2006; Zeebe and Sanyal, 2002).
680 As Li is often associated with Mg, we suggest that similarly to Mg, Li could be transported out
681 of the calcification site by specific channels and/or pumps (Bentov and Erez, 2006). This
682 hypothesis is supported by the negative correlation between $\delta^7\text{Li}$ and Mg/Ca for calcitic
683 mollusks (Fig. 8B), indicating that, indeed, mollusks having the highest $\delta^7\text{Li}$ also have the lowest
684 Mg/Ca ratio.

685 The process of Li removal from the calcification site can be modeled in a simple way as
686 either (i) an open system at steady-state (input fluxes are balanced by output fluxes) or (ii) a
687 closed or semi-enclosed system, corresponding to non-steady-state conditions with output fluxes
688 being higher than input fluxes (requiring periodic ‘batch’ replenishment of the calcifying
689 medium). For the latter, the Li/Ca and Li isotope composition of the fluid inside the
690 calcification reservoir evolves following a Rayleigh distillation as a function of the proportion
691 of Ca and Li removed.

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693 The corresponding equation for the open system at steady-state is:

$$694 \Delta_{\text{physiol}} = -\Delta_{\text{pump-fluid}} \times (1 - \gamma_{\text{fluid}}^{\text{Li}}) \quad (1)$$

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696 and for the closed system:

$$697 \Delta_{\text{physiol}} = \Delta_{\text{pump-fluid}} \times \ln(\gamma_{\text{fluid}}^{\text{Li}}) \quad (2)$$

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699 with $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{pump-fluid}}$ being the fractionation factor ($\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{pump-fluid}} = 1000 \ln(\alpha_{\text{pump-fluid}})$) between the
700 Li removed and the Li within the calcification site, and $\gamma_{\text{fluid}}^{\text{Li}}$ being the proportion of Li
701 remaining in the fluid in the calcification reservoir after Li extrusion, calculated as the ratio
702 between the concentration of Li remaining in the reservoir after extrusion divided by the initial

703 concentration of Li before extrusion. Assuming that there is no Ca removal by this process,
 704 then we can express $\gamma_{\text{fluid}}^{\text{Li}}$ as:

$$705 \quad \gamma_{\text{fluid}}^{\text{Li}} = \frac{(\text{Li}/\text{Ca})_{\text{fluid}}}{(\text{Li}/\text{Ca})_0} = \frac{(\text{Li}/\text{Ca})_{\text{carb}}}{(\text{Li}/\text{Ca})_{\text{carb-0}}} = \frac{\beta^{\text{Li}}}{\beta_0^{\text{Li}}} \quad (3)$$

706 With the subscript “fluid” corresponding to the fluid in the calcification reservoir, “0” to initial
 707 fluid in the calcification reservoir before Li removal, “carb” to carbonate and “carb-0” to the
 708 composition of the carbonate formed in the absence of Li extrusion (i.e. when $(\text{Li}/\text{Ca})_{\text{res}} =$
 709 $(\text{Li}/\text{Ca})_0$). Hence, equations 1 and 2 can be combined to give:

$$710 \quad \Delta_{\text{physiol}} = -\Delta_{\text{pump-fluid}} \times \left(1 - \frac{\beta^{\text{Li}}}{\beta_0^{\text{Li}}}\right) \quad (4)$$

$$711 \quad \Delta_{\text{physiol}} = \Delta_{\text{pump-fluid}} \times \ln\left(\frac{\beta^{\text{Li}}}{\beta_0^{\text{Li}}}\right) \quad (5)$$

712 The $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ and $\beta_{25^\circ\text{C}}^{\text{Li}}$ data for calcite mollusks can be fitted by equations (4) and (5)
 713 assuming that (i) all the mollusks have a relatively similar initial β_0^{Li} at the calcification site and
 714 (ii) there is unique associated isotope fractionation factor ($\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{pump-fluid}}$) for all mollusks. The
 715 best fits (both giving $r^2 = 0.64$) corresponding to both the closed and open system isotope
 716 fractionation for calcite mollusks are represented on Fig. (8). The trends intercept the grey line
 717 corresponding to the absence of vital effects ($\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}} = 0$) at a $\beta_{25^\circ\text{C}}^{\text{Li}}$ value of 7 ± 1 for the open
 718 system and at 7.5 ± 1.0 for the closed system (Fig. 8A). Hence, the initial Li/Ca ratio of the
 719 mollusks, in the absence of Li extrusion, is about 7 times higher than the Li/Ca ratio of
 720 inorganic calcite. Investigation of the reasons for such high $\beta_{25^\circ\text{C}}^{\text{Li}}$ values for mollusks is beyond
 721 the scope of this study but preferential incorporation of Ca in carbonates (e.g., Elderfield et al.,
 722 1996) and/or specific Ca input or removal from the calcification site through channel pump or
 723 exchange enzyme transporter (Carré et al., 2006) could potentially explain $\beta_{25^\circ\text{C}}^{\text{Li}}$ higher than
 724 1. Regarding the fractionation factor, we obtain a $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{pump-fluid}}$ value of -15‰ ($\alpha_{\text{pump-fluid}} =$
 725 0.985) for the open system and -9‰ ($\alpha_{\text{pump-fluid}} = 0.991$) for the closed system model. We
 726 hypothesize that this fractionation corresponds to a kinetic isotope fractionation where the ^6Li
 727 is preferentially extruded from the calcification site by diffusion or active transport through
 728 membranes. For diffusion in water at low temperature, the Li isotope fractionation is relatively
 729 small (about 0.997; Richter et al., 2006) whereas the fractionation factor through a membrane
 730 at 22°C was determined to be 0.989 by Fritz (1992). The latter value is close to the fractionation
 731 factor corresponding to closed system (Rayleigh) fractionation inferred in our model. As
 732 represented in Fig. (8), we calculate that up to 80% of the Li initially present at the calcification
 733 site is removed before precipitation of calcite for mollusks. We note that this mechanism could

734 also explain the high $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ and low $\beta^{\text{Li}_{25^\circ\text{C}}}$ values of *Amphistegina* benthic foraminifera
735 growth at high DIC concentration from Vigier et al. (2015). Indeed, we can speculate that in
736 foraminifera both addition of Li (through the Na^+/H^+ transporter) and removal of Li
737 (coincident with Mg removal) exist. At high DIC concentration, the activity of the Na^+/H^+
738 transporter (leading to low $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$) is lowered, so removal of Li becomes dominant with
739 resulting $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ value being higher. Ultimately, the Li isotope composition of biogenic
740 carbonates is probably controlled by the balance between processes removing and adding
741 dissolved Li to the calcification medium.

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743 **6. Implications for reconstructing past seawater composition**

744 One goal of this study is to test whether and how different biocalcifying organisms may
745 be used to reconstruct the past $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of seawater. The secondary layers of brachiopods analyzed
746 here have homogeneous $\delta^7\text{Li}$, with little apparent influence from vital effects, temperature, and
747 inter-species differences. In addition, as previously observed by Delaney et al. (1989), the Li/Ca
748 of brachiopods may be a reliable proxy for tracing past ocean temperature if Li/Ca of the ocean
749 is known or, conversely, determining past Li/Ca of the ocean if the calcification temperature
750 is known through other proxies. Collectively, these observations suggest that brachiopods are
751 promising candidates as archives of past Li isotope composition of seawater. However, as we
752 only analyzed 5 different specimens from 5 different species, we suggest caution in interpreting
753 these results and urge more analyses of present-day brachiopods (including considering intra-
754 shell variability) to confirm these conclusions.

755 Unlike brachiopods, the range of $\delta^7\text{Li}$ and Li/Ca values of modern calcitic mollusks is
756 large and significantly influenced by physiological processes, inter-species and inter-specimen
757 differences. Therefore, fossil shells of calcitic mollusks are probably not good targets for
758 inferring the past Li isotope composition or temperature of the oceans, unless the
759 reconstructions are limited to single species. As mollusks can constitute a significant component
760 of bulk carbonates (Wilkinson, 1979), it is important to take them into account to understand
761 the Li isotope composition of bulk carbonates (Lechler et al., 2015; Pogge von Strandmann et
762 al., 2013), at least when these are fossiliferous. The $\delta^7\text{Li}$ and Li/Ca values of aragonitic mollusks
763 are similar to inorganic aragonite composition. Therefore, they are likely to be better archives
764 for marine $\delta^7\text{Li}$ than calcitic mollusks. However, aragonite mollusks are also more prone to
765 diagenetic transformation and, at this stage, it is not known how diagenesis affects primary $\delta^7\text{Li}$
766 signatures. The small subset of echinoderm skeletons analyzed here point to a relatively narrow

767 range of values, but more work would need to be done to establish whether these observations
768 are systematic and the extent to which the signal in high-Mg calcite is preserved during
769 diagenesis.

770 The results of this study have important implications for the interpretation of Li isotope
771 and Li/Ca data from bulk Phanerozoic carbonates. Over time, the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of bulk carbonates is
772 potentially influenced by several parameters including seawater Li isotope composition,
773 mineralogy, diagenesis, the proportion of skeletal to non-skeletal carbonates, taxonomy,
774 temperature of the skeletal carbonates. We have found that different genera have distinct $\delta^7\text{Li}$
775 (ranging by several tens of per mil) and distinct Li/Ca ratio, and therefore it is likely that the
776 Li/Ca and Li isotope variability of bulk carbonates can be controlled to some extent by the
777 relative contributions of different taxonomic groups (Fig. 7c). This effect may be most
778 pronounced at times of major change in ecosystem structure, for example, during extinction
779 events. There is also evidence that the overall pattern of biomineralization has significantly
780 changed during Phanerozoic time with an increase in the proportion of skeletal to non-skeletal
781 carbonates over time, together with large changes in the type of skeletal carbonates (Kiessling
782 et al., 2003; Milliman, 1993; Wilkinson, 1979). Additionally, any global change of the main
783 carbonate mineralogy over time (e.g. calcite and aragonite seas during the Phanerozoic, Stanley
784 and Hardie, 1998) would likely have influenced bulk carbonate $\delta^7\text{Li}$ because calcite has higher
785 $\delta^7\text{Li}$ than aragonite for both inorganic and biogenic carbonates. Hence, any long-term
786 reconstruction of past $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of seawater using bulk carbonates must take into account the
787 influence of secular changes in mineralogy and taxonomic origin of the carbonate that is
788 preserved.

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790 **7. Conclusions**

791 In this study, we measured for the first time the Li isotope composition of modern
792 mollusks, brachiopods, and echinoderms in order to test whether these samples are viable
793 targets for determining the past $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of the ocean and to provide further insight into the
794 geochemistry of biomineralization. We investigated both modern field-collected shells from
795 various environments and shells experimentally grown at various temperatures. We considered
796 the influence of mineralogy, temperature, taxonomy, and vital effects on the Li isotope and
797 Li/Ca composition of biogenic carbonates. The major conclusions are:

- 798 1. Brachiopods are promising targets for tracing past Li isotope composition of the ocean
799 because they have similar $\delta^7\text{Li}$ compared to inorganic calcite precipitated from seawater,

800 (i.e. not significantly affected by vital effects) and exist since the Cambrian, (i.e. available
801 for study in deep time).

- 802 2. There is a strong mineralogical control on the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of biogenic carbonates. Calcite shells
803 have $\delta^7\text{Li}$ between +25 to +40‰ while aragonitic organisms have $\delta^7\text{Li}$ systematically lower
804 than 25‰. High-Mg calcite echinoderm shells have intermediate $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of +24‰.
- 805 3. Only a small influence of temperature is observed in mollusks from growth experiments,
806 and no relation between temperature and $\delta^7\text{Li}$ is observed for modern field-collected
807 mollusks.
- 808 4. There is strong physiological control on the $\delta^7\text{Li}$ of mollusks. When normalized to inorganic
809 fractionation ($\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}} = \delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{carbonate biogenic}} - \delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{carbonate inorganic}}$), calcite mollusks display
810 positive and widely ranging $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ values, between -1 and +14‰, which indicates
811 influence of physiological effects. Aragonite mollusks exhibit less variability than calcite
812 mollusks, with $\Delta^7\text{Li}_{\text{physiol}}$ ranging from +1 to -4‰, with most of the values being negative.
- 813 5. Different species collected from thermally equivalent vary by up to 7‰ indicating
814 substantial inter-species and inter-genera variability. In addition, intra-shell variability can
815 be very high for bi-mineralic mollusk shells. Hence, systematically measuring the
816 mineralogy of samples from mineralogical from multi-mineralic shells, is an important pre-
817 requisite for inferring a representative $\delta^7\text{Li}$.
- 818 6. Interestingly, the Li isotope composition of calcite mollusks is negatively correlated with
819 shell Li/Ca ratio. This is best explained by a simple fractionation model driven by Li
820 removal from the calcification site and an associated single isotope fractionation. We
821 propose that this process is related to combined Mg and Li removal from the calcification
822 site of calcite mollusk in order to lower Mg/Ca of the calcifying medium in support of
823 calcite precipitation.

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1098 **Table 1:** Data for modern field-collected and growth experiment biogenic carbonates from
1099 this study.

Sample name	Sample type	Phylum	Species	Specimen #	Common name	Sampling location	Dominant mineralogy ¹	δ ¹⁸ O	Aragonite	Calcite	Li/Ca	Mg/Ca	Al/Ca	Sr/Ca	δ ¹⁸ O	Growth temperature ²	Annual temperature ³
							(%)	(%)	(%)	(μmol/mol)	(mmol/mol)	(μmol/mol)	(mmol/mol)	(‰)	(°C)	(°C)	
Field-collected Mollusk samples																	
57-12	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Chlamys cherritata</i>		Scallops	Alaska (Kachemak Bay) USA	C	39.3	0	100	19.5	5.7	<LD	1.27		9.9	6.74
167501	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Chlamys hastata</i>		Scallops	Newport Beach, CA USA	C	40.7	0	100	11.0	2.9	<LD	1.00		19.6	18.86
53819	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Chlamys squamosus</i>		Scallops	Zamboanga, Philippine Islands	C > A	38.7	30	70	12.1	11.3	<LD	1.22		28.2	28.15
170315	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Chione californiensis</i>		Clams	San Pedro, CA USA	A > C	18.2	79	21	6.8	0.5	<LD	1.30		19.6	18.86
170315	Inner Layer	Mollusk	<i>Chione californiensis</i>		Clams	San Pedro, CA USA	A >> C	15.7	94	6						19.6	18.86
170315	Interm Layer	Mollusk	<i>Chione californiensis</i>		Clams	San Pedro, CA USA	A	15.5	100	0						19.6	18.86
86-29	Mixed (ext)	Mollusk	<i>Chione subimbricata</i>		Clams	Costa Rica (Golfo de Papagayo)	A > C	22.1	84	16	6.1	0.5	<LD	1.39		28.4	27.47
86-29	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Chione subimbricata</i>		Clams	Costa Rica (Golfo de Papagayo)	A	21.7	99	1						28.4	27.47
72-84	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Chione subrugosa</i>		Clams	Peru (Puerto Pizarro)	C = A	24.4	55	46	7.7	0.3	<LD	1.45		25.0	22.15
72-84	Inner Layer	Mollusk	<i>Chione subrugosa</i>		Clams	Peru (Puerto Pizarro)	A	21.9								25.0	22.15
72-84	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Chione subrugosa</i>		Clams	Peru (Puerto Pizarro)	A > C	21.6	88	12						25.0	22.15
50338	Inner Layer	Mollusk	<i>Tridacna Maxima</i>		Clams	Guam, Mariana Islands	A >> C	17.6	98	2						28.6	28.63
50338	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Tridacna Maxima</i>		Clams	Guam, Mariana Islands	A >> C	19.5	98	2						28.6	28.63
MT1 PNG		Mollusk	<i>Tridacna Gigas</i>		Clams	Cocos Island, Costa Rica	A	19.3	100	0	3.7	0.4	<LD	2.02		28.1	27.56
83-26	Inner Layer	Mollusk	<i>Mytilus californianus</i>	1	Mussel	Washington state, USA	A >> C	16.0	98	2	8.7	0.7	<LD	2.38		11.0	
83-26	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Mytilus californianus</i>	1	Mussel	Washington state, USA	C = A	28.7	46	54						11.0	
76-39	Front (outer)	Mollusk	<i>Mytilus californianus</i>	2	Mussel	Baja Calif, Mexico	C	39.0	0	100	9.9	5.4	<LD	1.15		19.5	16.32
76-39	Mixed Middle	Mollusk	<i>Mytilus californianus</i>	2	Mussel	Baja Calif, Mexico	A > C	35.1	9	91	7.0	4.4	<LD	1.14		19.5	16.32
76-39	Mixed Hinge	Mollusk	<i>Mytilus californianus</i>	2	Mussel	Baja Calif, Mexico	A > C	27.7	71	29	8.2	1.3	<LD	1.15		19.5	16.32
76-39	Inner Layer	Mollusk	<i>Mytilus californianus</i>	2	Mussel	Baja Calif, Mexico	A >> C	14.9	90	10						19.5	16.32
76-39	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Mytilus californianus</i>	2	Mussel	Baja Calif, Mexico	C	39.4	0	100						19.5	16.32
AN88	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Laternula Elliptica</i>		Clams	Terra Nova Bay, Antarctica	A	16.3	100	0	9.0	0.7	<LD	2.37		-1.0	-1.34
AN88	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Adamussium Colbeckii</i>		Scallop	Ross sea, Edmondson, Antarctica	C	34.6	0	100	12.9	1.0	<LD	1.36		-1.0	-1.34
AN88	Mixed Top	Mollusk	<i>Turritella</i>		Gastropod		C	19.8	100	0	2.0	0.5	<LD	2.05			
AN88	Mixed Back	Mollusk	<i>Turritella</i>		Gastropod		C	19.8	100	0	1.7	0.3	<LD	2.21			
112-72		Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	1	Oyster	Washington state, USA	C	32.9	0	100	25.1	3.1	<LD	0.75		14.0	11
112-72	Inner Layer	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	1	Oyster	Washington state, USA	C	36.9	0	100						14.0	11
112-72	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	1	Oyster	Washington state, USA	C	33.2	0	100						14.0	11
110-50		Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	2	Oyster	Tomales Bay, CA, USA	C	34.0	0	100	16.0	6.9	<LD	0.77		13.0	12
110-50	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	2	Oyster	Tomales Bay, CA, USA	C	31.7	0	100						13.0	12
66-117		Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	3	Oyster	Gulf of Guayaquil, Ecuador	C	34.5	0	100	25.4	20.6	<LD	0.60		24.8	23.04
of01	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	29.9			44.4	10.9		1.19	-1.5	18.6*	
of02	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	30.6			30.1	12.3		1.52	-0.7	15.2*	
of03	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	34.3			29.5	7.3		1.12	-1.3	17.7*	
of04	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	23.8			21.4	13.8		2.08	-1.6	19.0*	
of05	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	22.0							-1.4	18.3*	
of06	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	20.5			22.9	7.5		2.58	-0.7	15.2*	
of07	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	26.0			40.9	10.8		0.90	-0.1	12.6*	
of08	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	29.7			29.6	10.4		1.70	0.0	12.2*	
of09	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	34.0			35.9	3.5		1.08	-0.9	16.1*	
of10	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	37.8			32.3	9.1		0.93	-1.8	20.3*	
of11	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	25.5			21.5	8.7		1.44	-1.4	18.2*	
och01	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	25.6			34.4	14.3		0.87		12.1*	
och02	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	26.7			30.8	12.4		0.83	-1.1	16.9*	
och03	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	26.1			31.2	13.9		0.83	-1.6	19.1*	
och04	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	26.4			34.5	11.0		0.86	-1.9	20.4*	
och05	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	26.0			24.0	13.3		2.35	-1.6	19.4*	
och06	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	26.9			35.6	9.1		0.79	-1.7	19.6*	
och07	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	28.9							-2.0	21.1*	
och08	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	34.7			52.5	13.4		0.87	-2.1	21.5*	
och09	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	28.2			43.2	10.7		1.00	-1.4	18.3*	
och10	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	29.5							-1.4	18.4*	
och11	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	28.8			42.3	10.6		0.96	-0.7	15.2*	
Field-collected Brachiopod samples																	
Mixed		Brachiopoda	<i>Campages mariae</i>		Brachiopod	Aliguay Island, Philippines	C	26.1			25.9	9.0	<LD	1.12		28.8	28.23
Mixed		Brachiopoda	<i>Laqueus Flubellus</i>		Brachiopod	Sagami Bay, Japan	C	27.8			24.8	4.9	<LD	1.05		18.0	15.87
Mixed		Brachiopoda	<i>Terebratulina Transversa</i>		Brachiopod	Puget Sound, Nr. Friday, Harbor, Washington, USA	C	24.7			29.3	15.4	<LD	1.41		9.0	9.00
Back-Dorsal		Brachiopoda	<i>Terebratulina Transversa</i>		Brachiopod	Puget Sound, Nr. Friday, Harbor, Washington, USA	C	26.7									
Back-Ventral		Brachiopoda	<i>Terebratulina Transversa</i>		Brachiopod	Puget Sound, Nr. Friday, Harbor, Washington, USA	C	26.7									
Front-Dorsal		Brachiopoda	<i>Terebratulina Transversa</i>		Brachiopod	Puget Sound, Nr. Friday, Harbor, Washington, USA	C	27.3									
Mixed		Brachiopoda	<i>Notosaria nigricans</i>		Brachiopod	South Island, New Zealand	C	26.0	0	100	43.0	10.5	<LD	1.41		9.0	9.00
Mixed		Brachiopoda	<i>Frenulina sanguinolenta</i>		Brachiopod	Mactan Island, Philippines	C	27.7			20.1	17.4	<LD	1.27		29.3	29.3
Field-collected Echinoderm samples																	
Mixed		Sea Urchin	<i>Strongylocentrotus franciscanus</i>		Urchins	Leo Carillo, CA, USA	C	24.4	0	100	69.2	88.2	<LD	2.62		18.6	
Mixed		Sea Urchin	<i>Strongylocentrotus purpuratus</i>		Urchins	Leo Carillo, CA, USA	C	24.1			60.3	80.7	0.064	2.50		18.6	
Mixed		Sea Urchin	<i>Dendroaster</i>		Urchins	Morro Bay, CA, USA	C	24.2	0	100	81.3	109.1	0.086	2.4		14.7	
Growth experiment mollusks samples																	
15A2	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	1	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	19.2			8.8	1.1	0.032	1.56		15.0	
15C1	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	2	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	18.7			9.1	1.3	<LD	1.58		15.0	
23A1	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	3	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	18.8			7.4	1.2	0.028	1.58		23.0	
23C1	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	4	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	17.2			8.3	1.7	<LD	1.69		23.0	
30A1	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	5	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	18.1			7.1	1.0	<LD	2.02		30.0	
30C2	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	6	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	17.3			7.4	0.9	0.027	1.63		30.0	
30C1	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	7	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	17.6			7.3	1.6	0.021	1.83		30.0	
PM1	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Pecten Maximus</i>	1	Scallop	Growth experiment	C >> A	32.1			25.3	6.5	<LD	1.37		10.8	
PM2	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Pecten Maximus</i>	2	Scallop	Growth experiment	C >> A	32.8								10.8	
PM3	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Pecten Maximus</i>	3	Scallop	Growth experiment	C >> A	34.5			21.1	6.3	<LD	1.55		10.8	
PM4	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Pecten Maximus</i>	4	Scallop	Growth experiment	C >> A	32.6			20.0	9.5	<LD				

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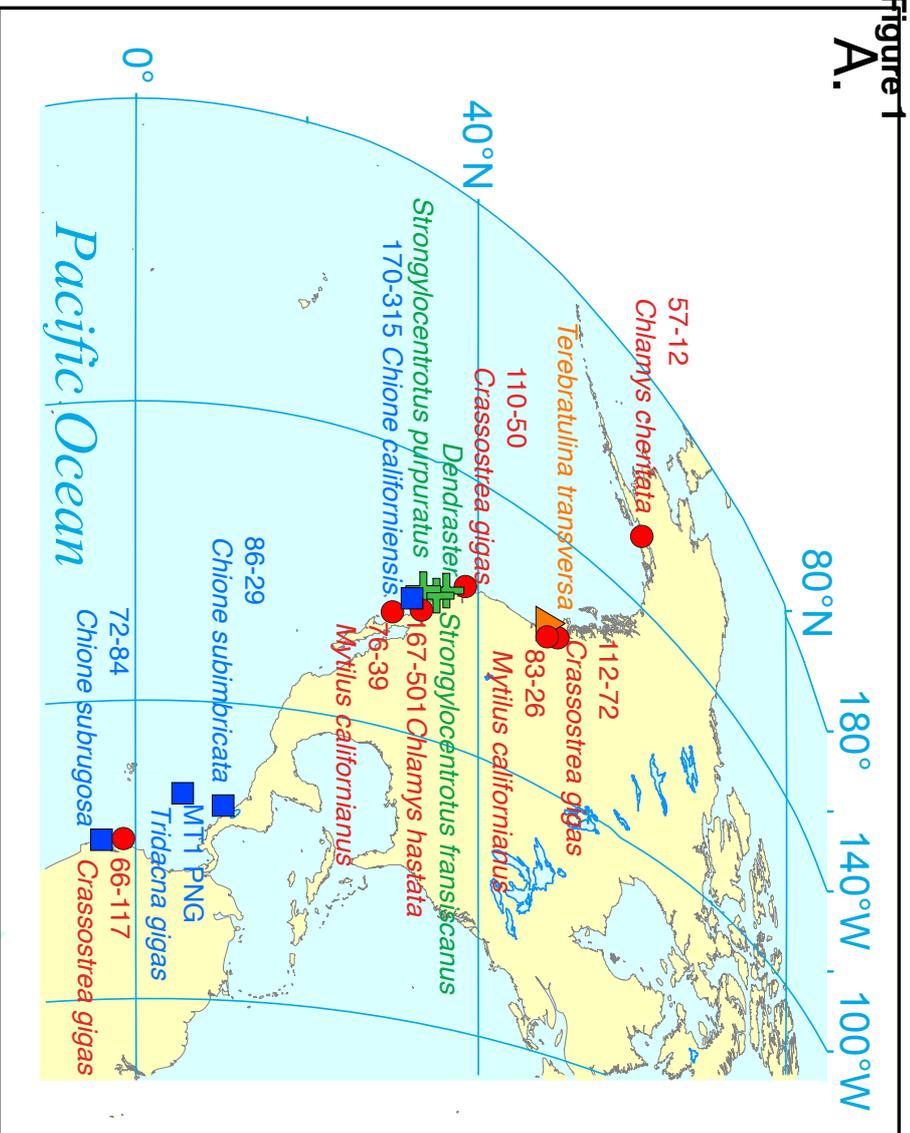
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Field-collected Mollusk samples																		
5712	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Chlamys chelata</i>	1	Scallops	Alaska (Kachemak Bay) USA	C	39.3	0	100	19.5	5.7	<LD	1.27	9.9	6.74		
167501	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Chlamys hastata</i>	1	Scallops	Newport Beach, CA USA	C	40.7	0	100	11.0	2.9	<LD	1.00	19.6	18.86		
53819	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Chlamys squamosus</i>	1	Scallops	Zamboanga, Philippine Islands	C > A	38.7	30	70	12.1	11.3	<LD	1.22	28.2	28.15		
170315	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Chione californiensis</i>	1	Clams	San Pedro, CA USA	A > C	18.2	79	21	6.8	0.5	<LD	1.30	19.6	18.86		
170315	Inner Layer	Mollusk	<i>Chione californiensis</i>	1	Clams	San Pedro, CA USA	A >> C	15.7	94	6					19.6	18.86		
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86-29	Mixed (ext)	Mollusk	<i>Chione subimbricata</i>	1	Clams	Costa Rica (Golfo de Papagayo)	A > C	22.1	84	16	6.1	0.5	<LD	1.39	28.4	27.47		
86-29	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Chione subimbricata</i>	1	Clams	Costa Rica (Golfo de Papagayo)	A	21.7	99	1					28.4	27.47		
72-84	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Chione subrugosa</i>	4	Clams	Peru (Puerto Pizarro)	C = A	24.4	55	46	7.7	0.3	<LD	1.45	25.0	22.15		
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50338	Inner Layer	Mollusk	<i>Tridacna Maxima</i>	2	Clams	Guam, Mariana Islands	A >> C	17.6	98	2					28.6	28.63		
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MF1	FWG	Mollusk	<i>Tridacna gigas</i>	1	Clams	Cocos, Island, Costa Rica	A	19.3	100	0	3.7	0.4	<LD	2.02	28.1	27.56		
83-26	Inner Layer	Mollusk	<i>Mytilus californianus</i>	1	Mussel	Washington state, USA	A >> C	16.0	98	2	8.7	0.7	<LD	2.38	11.0	11.0		
83-26	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Mytilus californianus</i>	1	Mussel	Washington state, USA	C = A	26.7	46	54					11.0	11.0		
76-39	Inner Layer	Mollusk	<i>Mytilus californianus</i>	2	Mussel	Baja Calif, Mexico	C	39.0	0	100	9.9	5.4	<LD	1.15	19.5	16.32		
76-39	Mixed Middle	Mollusk	<i>Mytilus californianus</i>	2	Mussel	Baja Calif, Mexico	C > A	35.1	9	91	7.0	4.4	<LD	1.14	19.5	16.32		
76-39	Mixed Hinge	Mollusk	<i>Mytilus californianus</i>	2	Mussel	Baja Calif, Mexico	A > C	27.7	71	29	8.2	1.3	<LD	1.15	19.5	16.32		
76-39	Inner Layer	Mollusk	<i>Mytilus californianus</i>	2	Mussel	Baja Calif, Mexico	A >> C	14.9	90	10					19.5	16.32		
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AN88	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Laternula Elliptica</i>	1	Clams	Terra Nova Bay, Antarctica	A	16.3	100	0	9.0	0.7	<LD	2.37	-1.0	-1.34		
	Mixed	Mollusk	<i>Adamussium Colbecki</i>	1	Scallop	Ross sea, Edmondson, Antarctica	C	34.6	0	100	12.9	1.0	<LD	1.36	-1.0	-1.34		
	Mixed Top	Mollusk	<i>Turritella</i>	1	Gastropod			19.8	100	0	2.0	0.5	<LD	2.05				
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112-72	Inner Layer	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	1	Oyster	Washington state, USA	C	32.9	0	100	25.1	3.1	<LD	0.75	14.0	11		
112-72	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	1	Oyster	Washington state, USA	C	36.9	0	100					14.0	11		
110-50	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	2	Oyster	Tomales Bay, CA, USA	C	34.0	0	100	16.0	6.9	<LD	0.77	13.0	12			
110-50	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	2	Oyster	Tomales Bay, CA, USA	C	31.7	0	100					13.0	12		
66-117	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	3	Oyster	Gulf of Guayaquil, Ecuador	C	34.5	0	100	25.4	20.6	<LD	0.60	24.8	23.04			
o01	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	29.9			44.4	10.9		1.19	-1.5	18.6*		
o02	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	30.6			30.1	12.3		1.52	-0.7	15.2*		
o03	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	34.3			28.5	7.3		1.12	-1.3	17.7*		
o04	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	23.8			21.4	13.8		2.08	-1.6	19.0*		
o05	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	22.0			22.9	7.5		2.58	-1.4	18.3*		
o06	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	20.5			22.9	7.5		2.58	-0.9	15.2*		
o07	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	26.0			40.9	10.8		0.90	-0.1	12.6*		
o08	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	29.7			29.6	10.4		1.70	0.0	12.2*		
o09	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	34.0			35.9	3.5		1.08	-0.9	16.1*		
o10	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	37.8			32.3	8.1		0.93	-1.8	20.3*		
o11	foliate layers	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	25.5			21.5	8.7		1.44	-1.4	18.2*		
o0h1	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	26.6			34.4	14.3		0.87	12.1*			
o0h2	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	26.7			30.8	12.4		0.83	-1.1	16.9*		
o0h3	chalky substance	Mollusk	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	4	Oyster	List Tidal Basin Germany	C >> A	26.1			31.2	13.9		0.83	-1.6	19.1*		
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Field-collected Brachiopod samples																		
Mixed	Brachiopods		<i>Campoplex mariae</i>	1	Brachiopod	Altagay Island, Philippines	C	26.1			25.9	9.0	<LD	1.12	28.8	28.23		
Mixed	Brachiopods		<i>Laqueus Rubellus</i>	1	Brachiopod	Sagami Bay, Japan	C	27.8			24.8	4.9	<LD	1.05	18.0	15.87		
Mixed	Brachiopods		<i>Terebratulina Transversa</i>	1	Brachiopod	Puget Sound, Nr. Friday Harbor, Washington, USA	C	24.7			29.3	15.4	<LD	1.41	9.0	9.00		
Back-Dorsal	Brachiopods		<i>Terebratulina Transversa</i>	1	Brachiopod	Puget Sound, Nr. Friday Harbor, Washington, USA	C	26.7										
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Front-Dorsal	Brachiopods		<i>Terebratulina Transversa</i>	1	Brachiopod	Puget Sound, Nr. Friday Harbor, Washington, USA	C	27.3										
Mixed	Brachiopods		<i>Notoisaria nigricans</i>	1	Brachiopod	South Island, New Zealand	C	26.0	0	100	43.0	10.5	<LD	1.41	9.0	9.03		
Mixed	Brachiopods		<i>Frenulina sanguinolenta</i>	1	Brachiopod	Mactan Island, Philippines	C	27.7			20.1	17.4	<LD	1.27	28.3	28.3		
Field-collected Echinoderm samples																		
Mixed	Sea Urchin		<i>Strongylocentrotus franciscanus</i>	2	Urchins	Leo Carrillo, CA, USA	HMC	24.4	0	100	69.2	88.2	<LD	2.62	18.6			
Mixed	Sea Urchin		<i>Strongylocentrotus purpuratus</i>	2	Urchins	Leo Carrillo, CA, USA	HMC	24.1	0	100	60.3	80.7	0.064	2.50	18.6			
Mixed	Sea Urchin		<i>Dendroaster</i>	2	Urchins	Marro Bay, CA, USA	HMC	24.2	0	100	81.3	109.1	0.086	2.4	14.7			
Growth experiment mollusks samples																		
15A2	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	1	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	19.2			8.8	1.1	0.032	1.56	15.0			
15C1	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	2	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	18.7			9.1	1.3	<LD	1.58	15.0			
23A1	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	3	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	18.8			7.4	1.2	0.008	1.58	23.0			
23C1	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	4	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	17.2			8.3	1.7	<LD	1.69	23.0			
30A1	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	5	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	18.1			7.1	1.0	<LD	2.02	30.0			
30C2	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	6	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	17.3			7.4	0.9	0.027	1.63	30.0			
30C1	Nac	Mollusk	<i>Mercenaria Mercenaria</i>	7	Clams	Growth experiment	A >> C	17.6			7.3	1.6	0.021	1.83	30.0			
PM1	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Pecten Maximus</i>	1	Scallop	Growth experiment	C >> A	32.1			25.3	6.5	<LD	1.37	10.8			
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PM3	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Pecten Maximus</i>	3	Scallop	Growth experiment	C >> A	34.5			21.1	6.3	<LD	1.55	10.8			
PM4	Outer Layer	Mollusk	<i>Pecten Maximus</i>	4	Scallop	Growth experiment	C >> A	32.6			20.0	9.5	<LD	1.44	15.5			

Figure 1
A.



B.

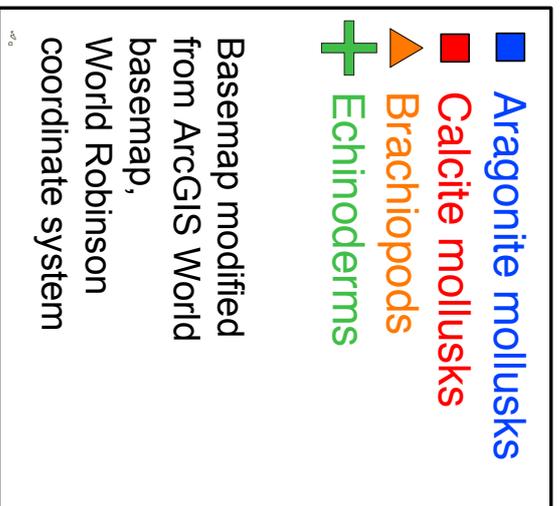
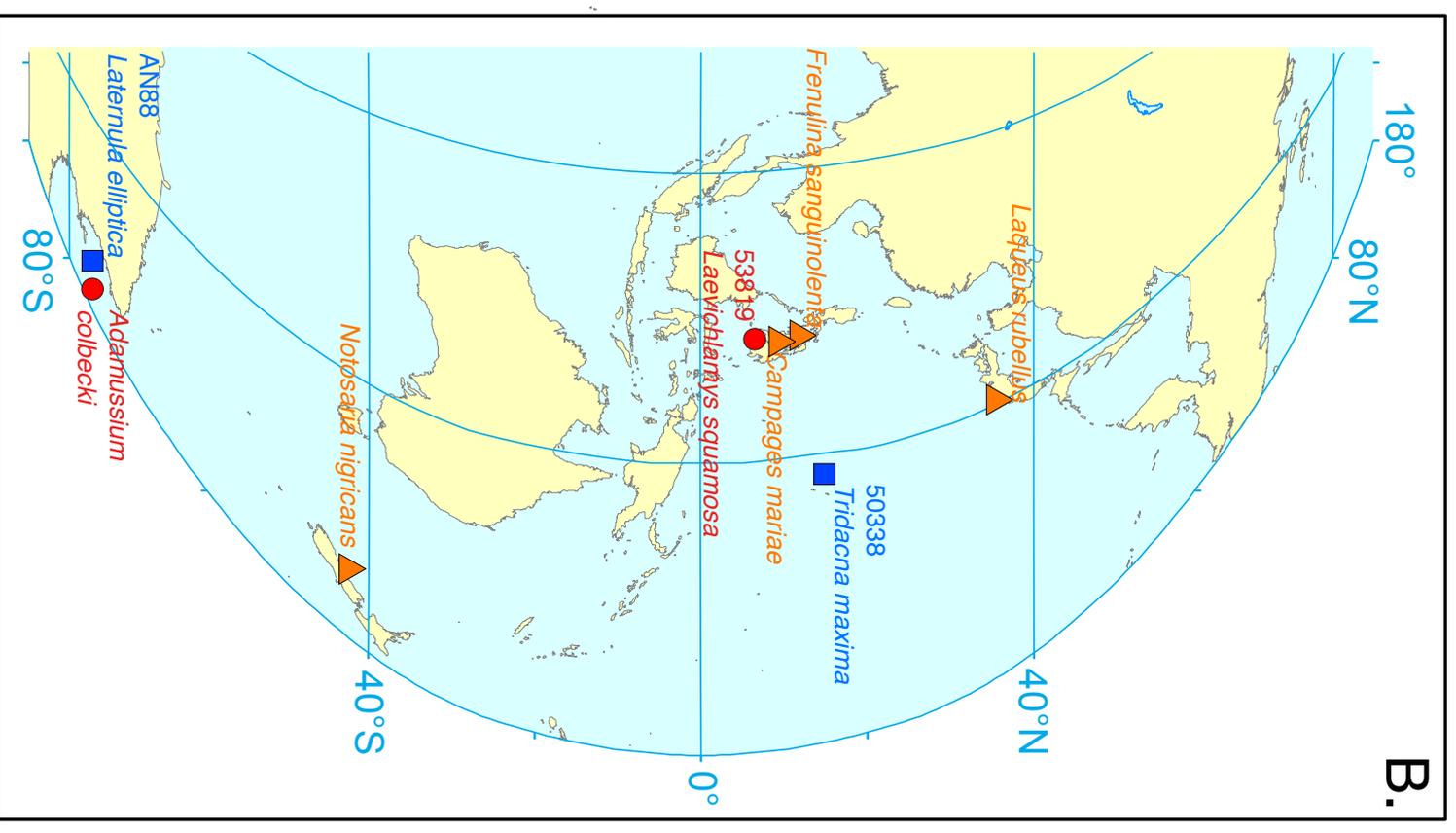
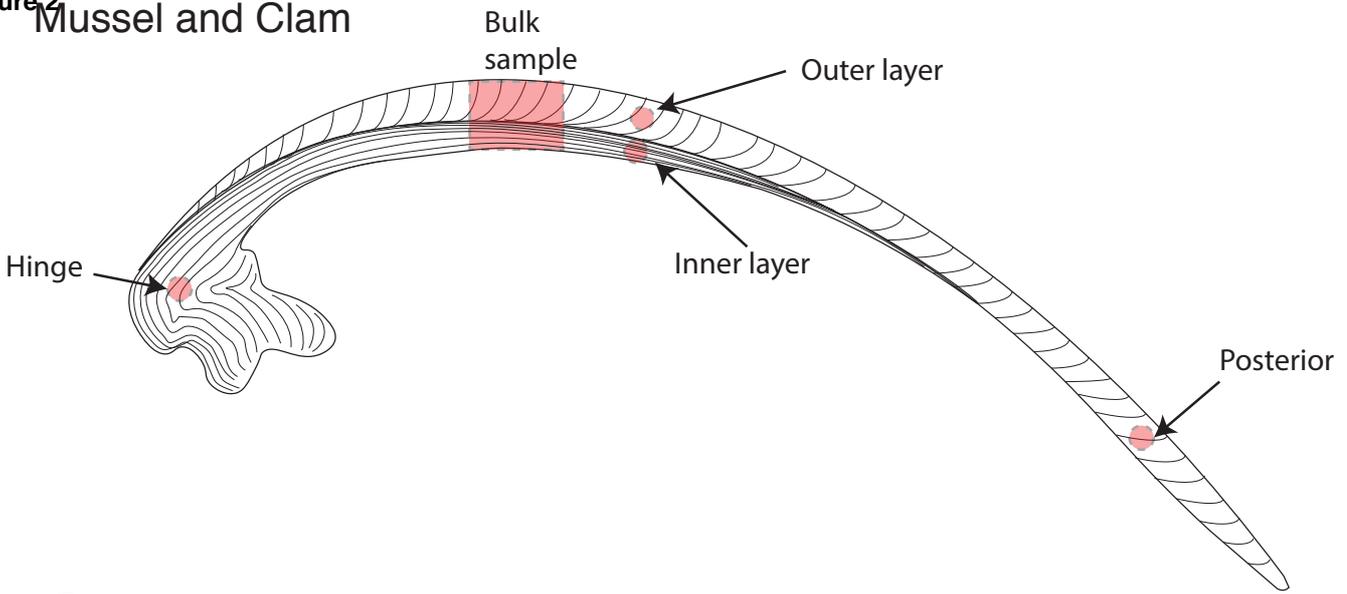
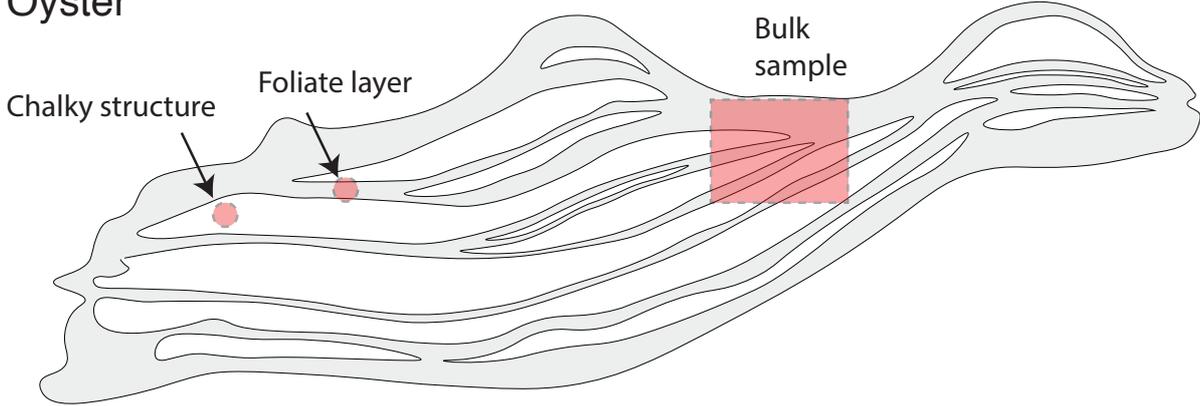


Figure 2

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Oyster



Brachiopod

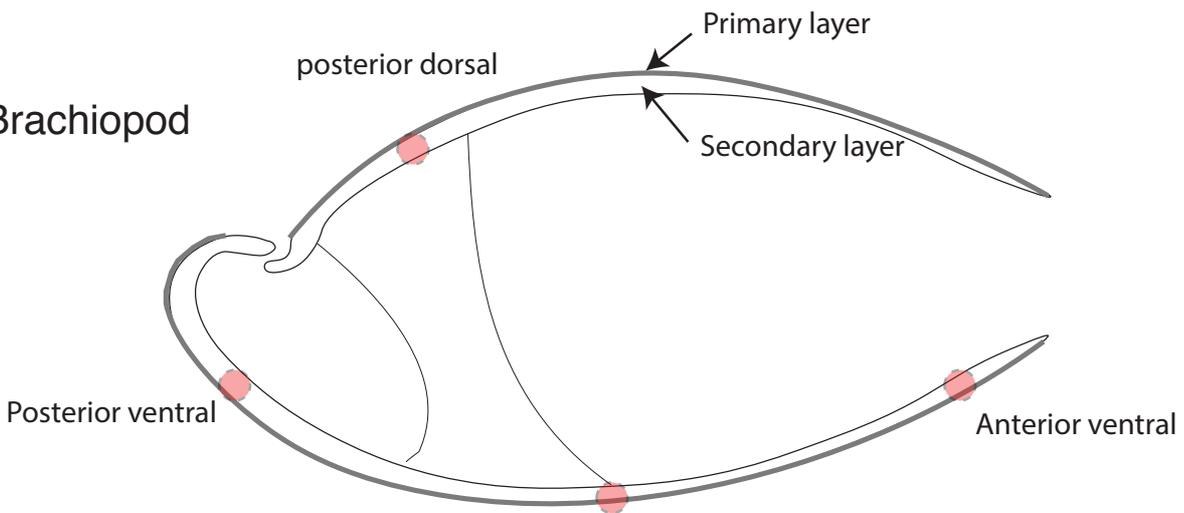


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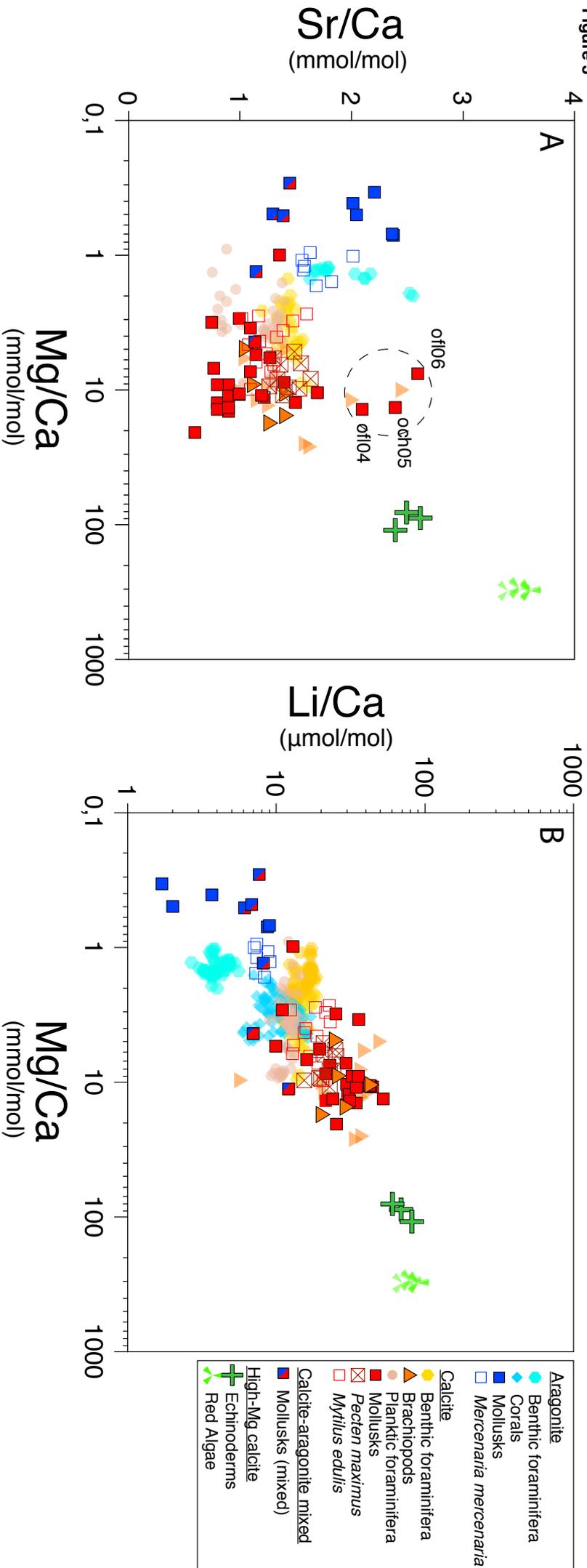


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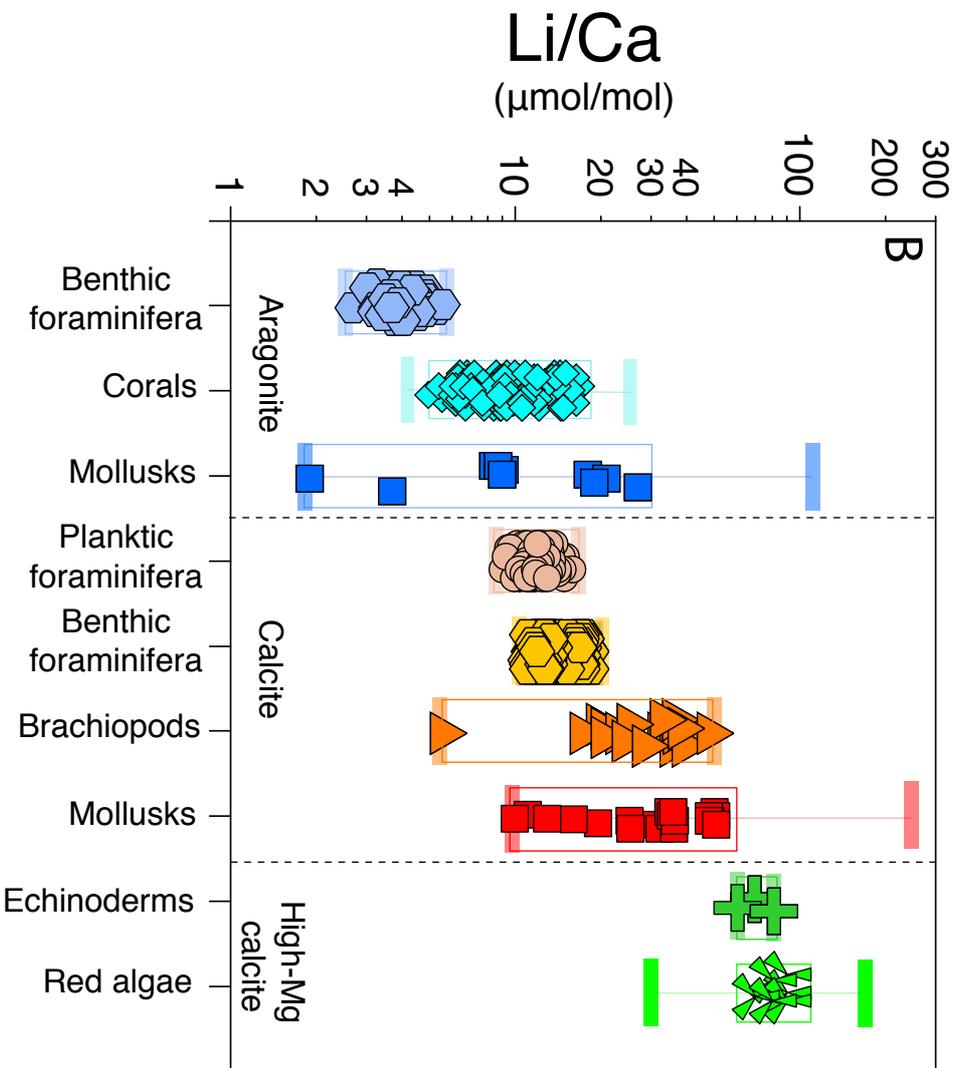
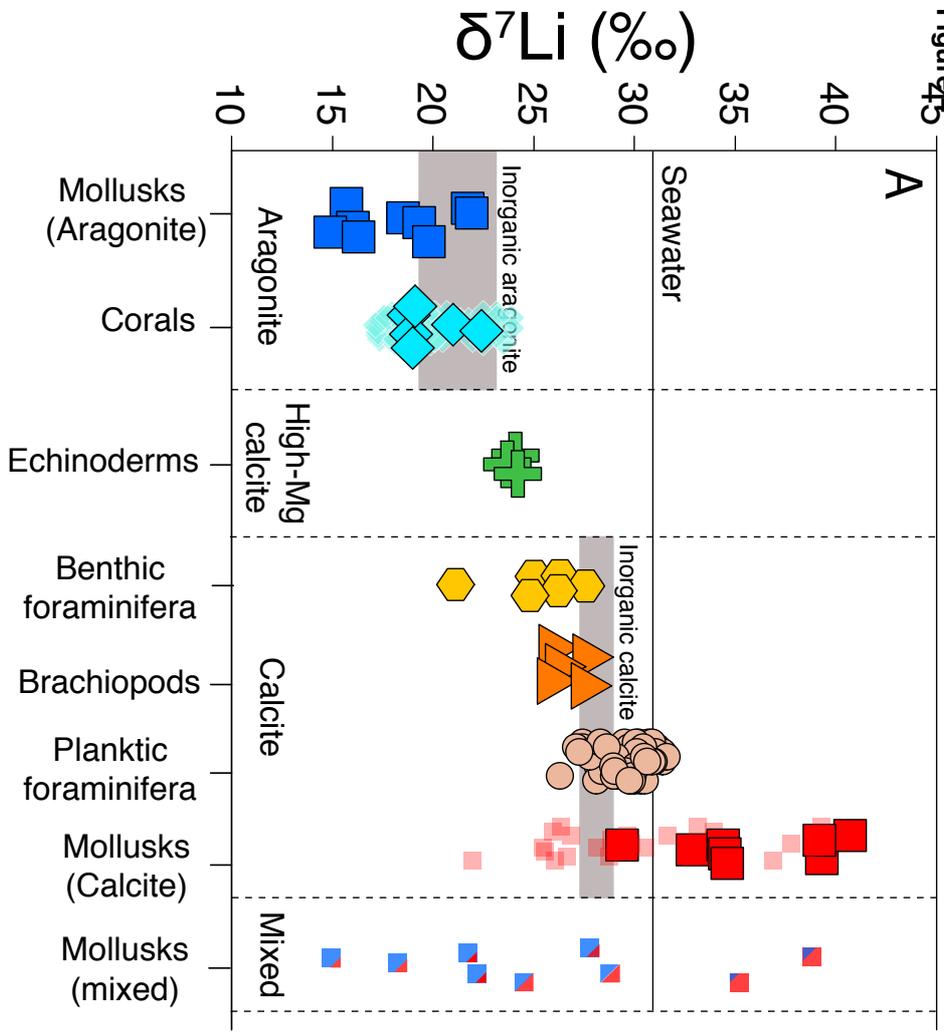


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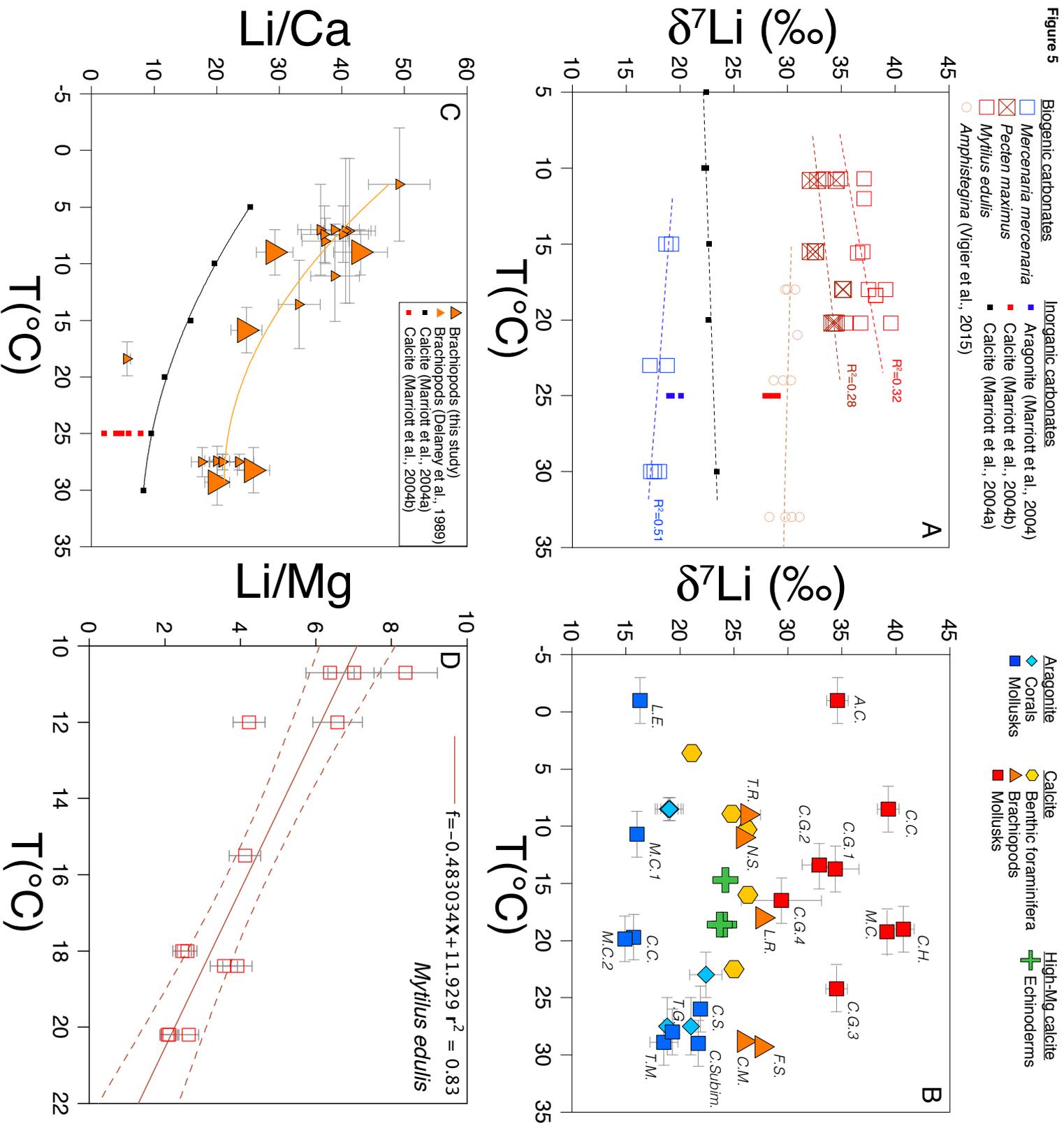
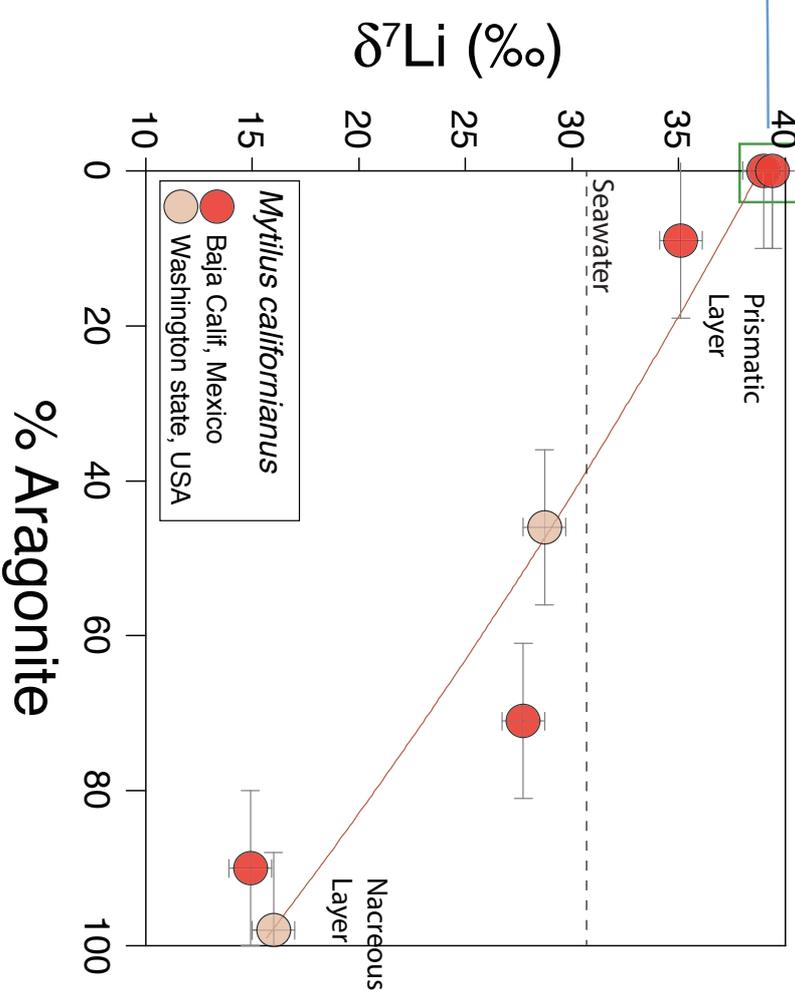
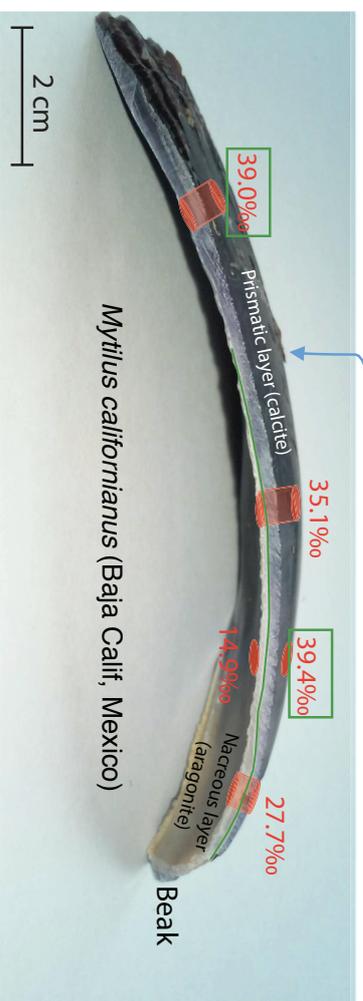


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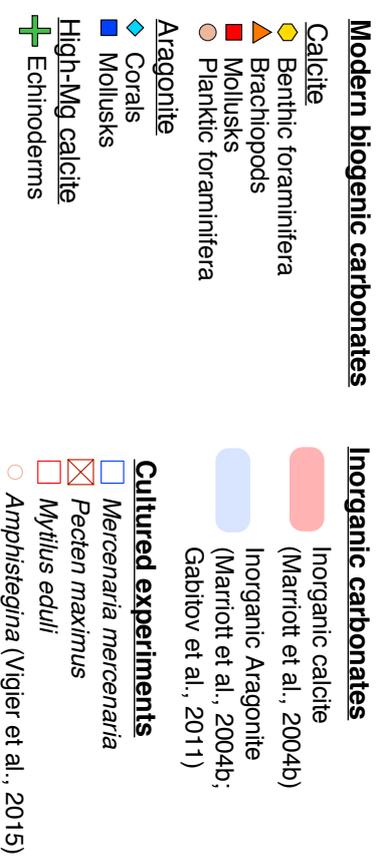
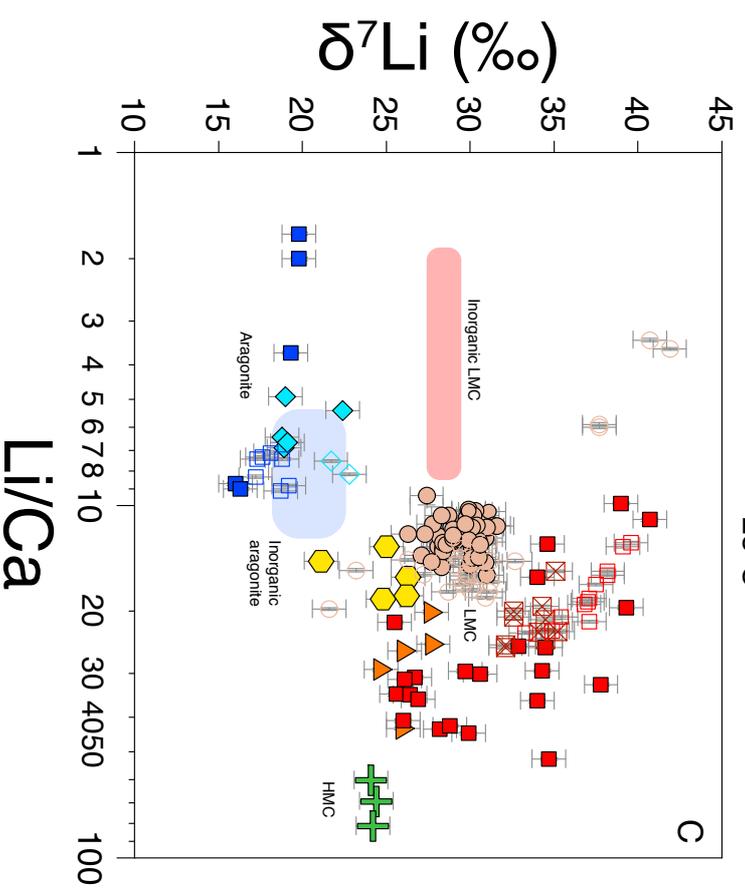
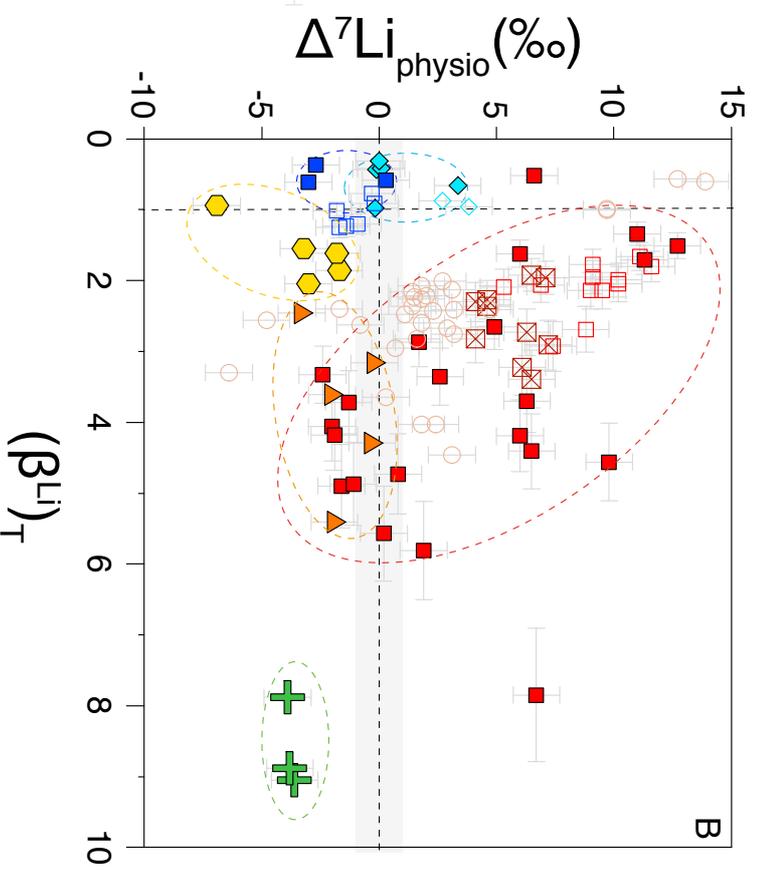
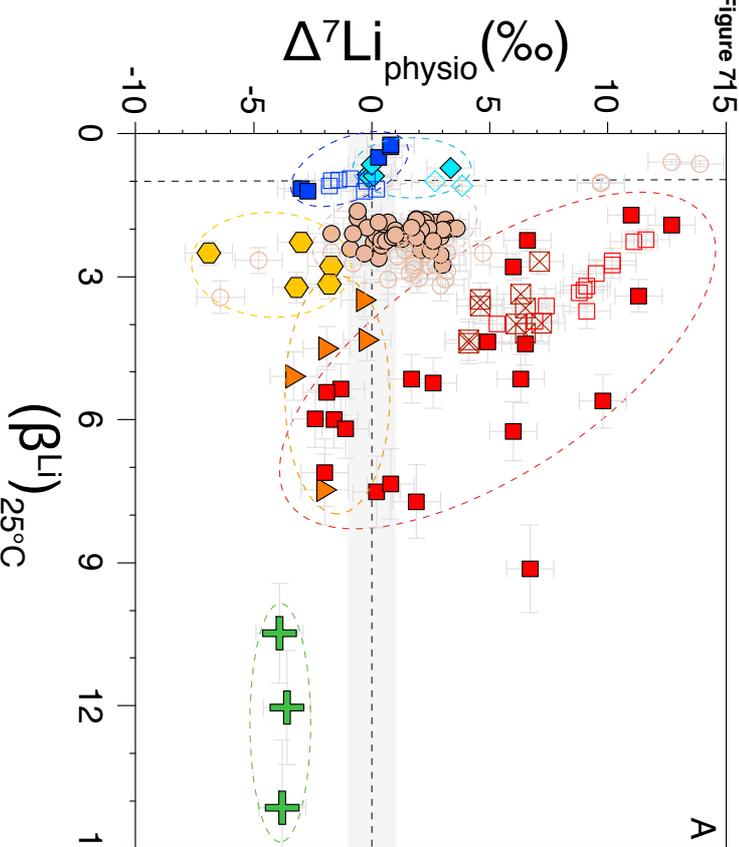
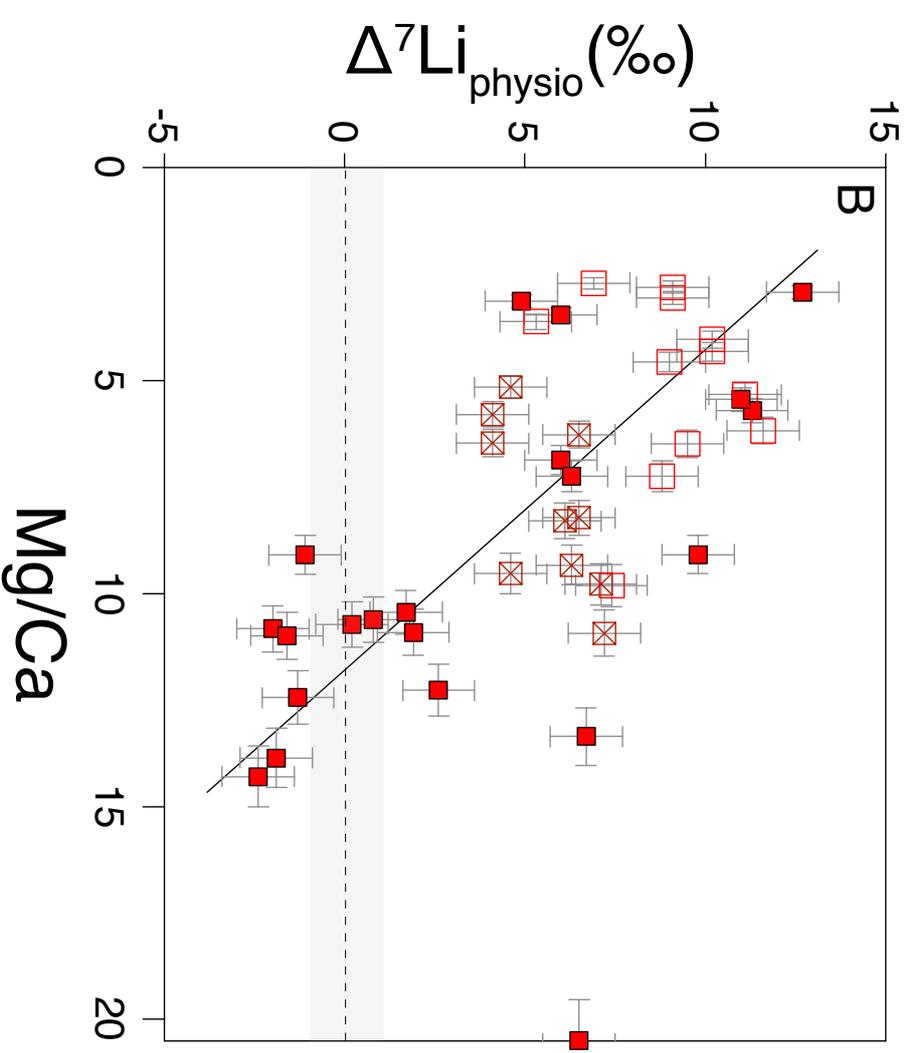
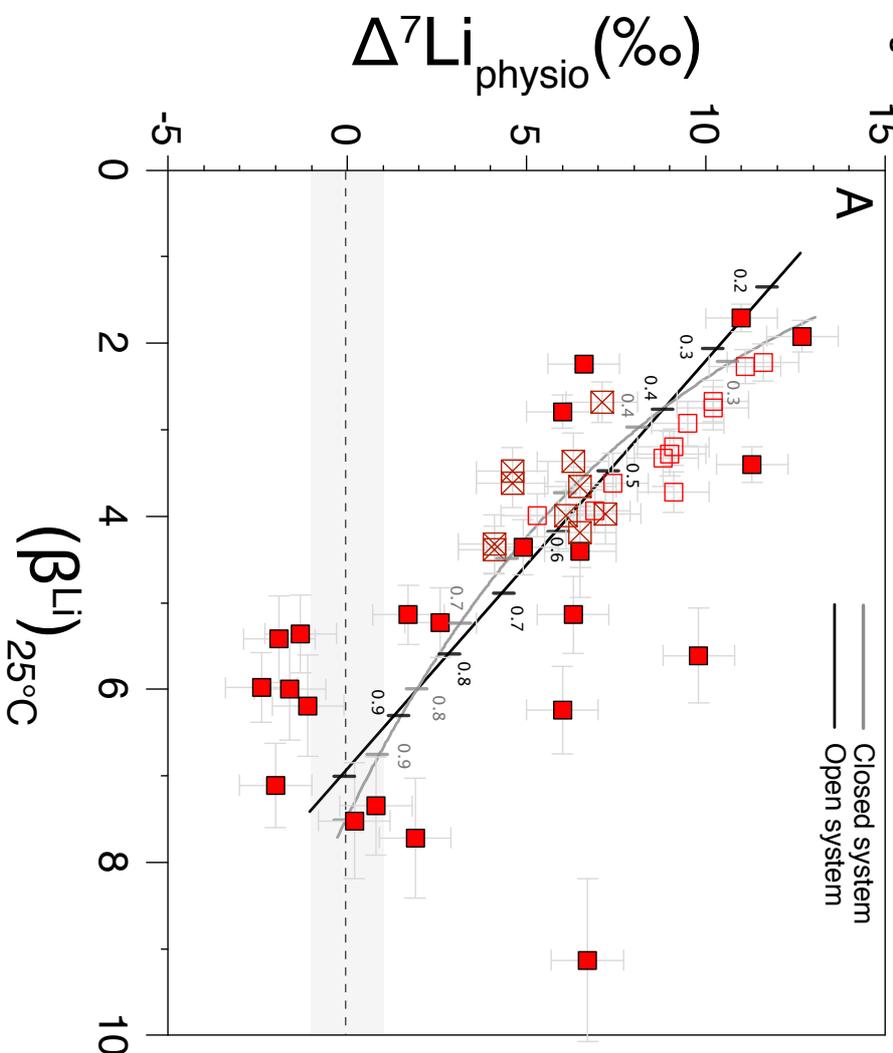


Figure 8



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