



# Clay mineral inventory in soils of Europe based on LUCAS survey soil samples

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## **Abstract**

Clay minerals are a key factor in mineral soils as they are controlling physic, chemical and biological soil properties. The X-ray diffraction (XRD) analysis has been widely used to identify and quantify minerals in earth science. The aim of this research is to describe the clay minerals in soils of Europe and United Kingdom by using soil samples from the Land Use/Cover Area Frame Survey (LUCAS) topsoil database sampled in 2015. A subset of 388 soil samples were selected from LUCAS 2015 topsoil survey. The clay fraction (<2 µm) was separated by sedimentation in distilled water. X-ray powder diffraction (XRPD) measurements have been carried out with a Siemens D5000 diffractometer with a graphite monochromator, using CuK $\alpha$  radiation at 40 kV and 40 mA. Clay mineralogy has been studied by measurement of basal spacing parameters on the clay fraction oriented in glass slides: 3 to 13 °2θ range 0.02 °2θ step size. The study involved the measurement of the 1. air-dried sample, 2. ethylene glycol solvated sample, 3. heat treatment at 110, 350 and 550 °C. Identification of clay minerals were based on the d-spacing value of their 00<sub>l</sub> (mainly 001) reflections after different diagnostic treatment. The semiquantitative composition of <2 µm fractions was estimated by using integrated areas of 00<sub>l</sub> reflections. Brief description of the clay mineralogy of all samples and semi quantitative mineral composition was performed at country level. The X-ray diffractograms after the different treatment (black = untreated, blue = ethylene glycol solvated, green = 110 °C, dark red = 350 °C, red = 550 °C) for each soil sample were analyzed. Majority clay minerals were compared to soils properties such as CEC, soil pH, soil organic carbon (SOC), and clay and sand content. Current descriptive analysis can be used to identify the most relevant clay minerals in soils of Europe. Monitoring over time can be used as soil health indicator to establish potential correlations between clay minerals and relevant threats as soil degradation, soil erosion, and soil pollution.

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## 1 Introduction

In accordance with Laurence Noel Warr (2022), 21.5 weight% (wt%) of the brittle crust is composed of clay minerals, with 12.9 wt% located in the upper continental crust and 8.6 wt% in the thinner oceanic crust down to average depths of 6.57 km. The most abundant clay mineral type in Earth's upper crustal environments is the 2:1 clay minerals with little or no expandability, commonly illite, which total 7.7 wt%. The remaining 13.8 wt% is distributed more equally between the 1:1 kaolin-serpentine minerals (5.7 wt%), the highly expandable 2:1 smectites (3.0 wt%), and the 2:1:1 chlorites (5.1 wt%). The continental soils and the underlying regolith represent only a small part of the clay mineral inventory (just 0.02 wt%), but they are important generating zones. The total amount of stored water (adsorbed and crystalline water) held is equivalent in volume to 22% of today's surface water with approximately half located in altered oceanic crust. The trapping and release of surface water in and from the clay mineral sink influenced both interior crustal processes and climate change throughout Earth's history. On a shorter time scale, clay minerals aid climate stability by influencing atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations and the carbon cycle by means of coupled clay Mg and Ca exchange reactions affecting carbonates precipitation-dissolution equilibrium.

To date, several quantitative methods have been used for identification and quantification of clay minerals in soils (Xiao et al., 2023). The X-ray powder diffraction (XRPD) analysis, as one of the most powerful methods, has been widely used to identify and quantify minerals in earth science. XRD is based on the principle that X-rays are diffracted by the atoms in a crystal lattice, and the resulting diffraction pattern can be used to determine or confirm the crystal structure of the sample (Bragg's law)

XRPD has many applications in soil analysis, including soil mineral qualification, soil mineral quantification, and soil evolution studies. Soil mineral qualification involves identifying the types of minerals present in a soil sample, while soil mineral quantification involves determining the relative amounts of each mineral present. XRPD can also be used to study soil evolution, by analyzing the changes in the mineralogy of a soil over time. This can provide valuable information about the environmental conditions that existed in the past and how they have changed over time. Overall, XRPD is a valuable tool for soil analysis, providing information about soil mineralogy that can be used to understand soil properties and environmental conditions.

The aim of this research is to assess the clay minerals in soils of Europe by using the Land Use/Cover Area Frame Survey (LUCAS) topsoil database. All figures and tables are generated in-house in the JRC.

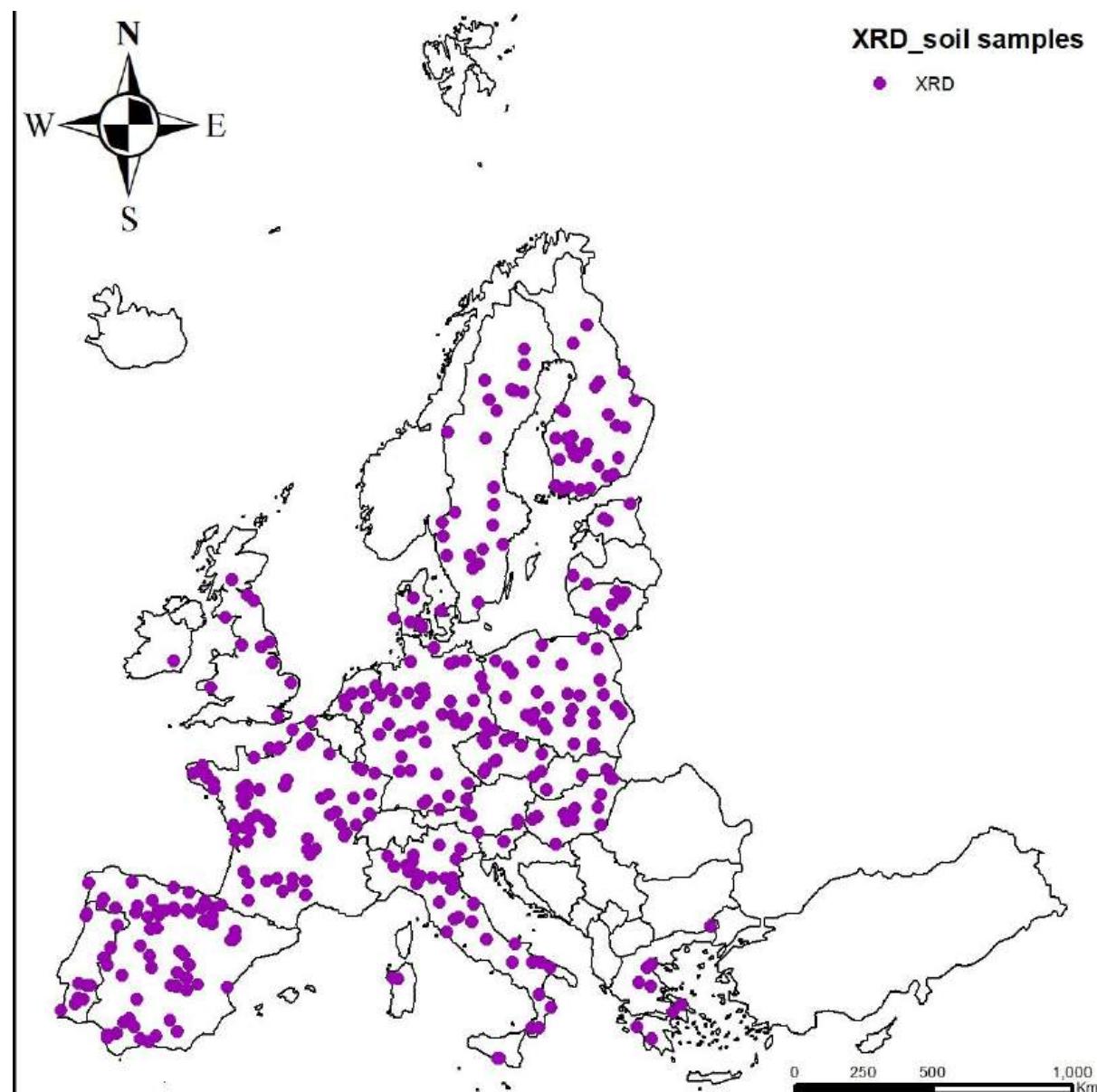
## 2 Samples withdrawn

Clay mineral study of 388 topsoil samples from LUCAS 2015 topsoil survey were carried out (see Figure 1). Separation of the clay fraction, and the identification and quantification of the clay minerals in the samples using X-ray powder diffraction were performed after different diagnostic treatments.

Soil samples LU17\_00204\_13 and LU17\_00192\_050 were removed as no X-ray diffractograms were available to be analyzed. Quantification of LU17\_00208\_13 soil sample was wrongly assigned to LU17\_00204\_13 soil sample (page 567). The LU17\_00208\_13 sample was also excluded for analysis in order to avoid potential misunderstanding.

Furthermore, 383 X-ray diffractograms were included into the analysis. Number of samples analysed by country were; Austria 60, Belgium 1, Czechia 13, Denmark 6, Estonia 3, Finland 30, France 66, Germany 39, Greece 9, Hungary 12, Ireland 1, Italy 38, Latvia 2, Lithuania 8, Netherland 5, Poland 30, Portugal 12, Poland 30, Portugal 12, Slovakia 4, Slovenia 1, Spain 60, and Sweden 23. Additionally, 14 samples from UK were also analysed.

**Figure 1.** Distribution of soil samples for clay mineralogy analysis



### 3 Methodology

#### 3.1 Sample preparation and clay mineral separation

Samples preparation, XRD analysis and discussion of the results were carried out in the department of the mineralogy (Eötvös Loránd University) and following the methodologies reported (Zhou et al. 2018, Moore and Reynolds, 1997). The clay fraction (<2 µm) was separated by mechanical shaking dispersion and sedimentation in distilled water (Figure 2). Before the sedimentation small portion of all samples was checked for calcium carbonate using 20% acetic acid. If it was necessary, carbonates were removed by 10% acetic acid.

In some cases, gentle (10-30 sec) sonification, of distilled water suspension was used for the dispersion of the sample. In cases of problematic samples longer sonification (1-2 min) was used. If the repeated sonification adding several distilled water step washings was not enough to produce clay dispersion, we repeated it several times.

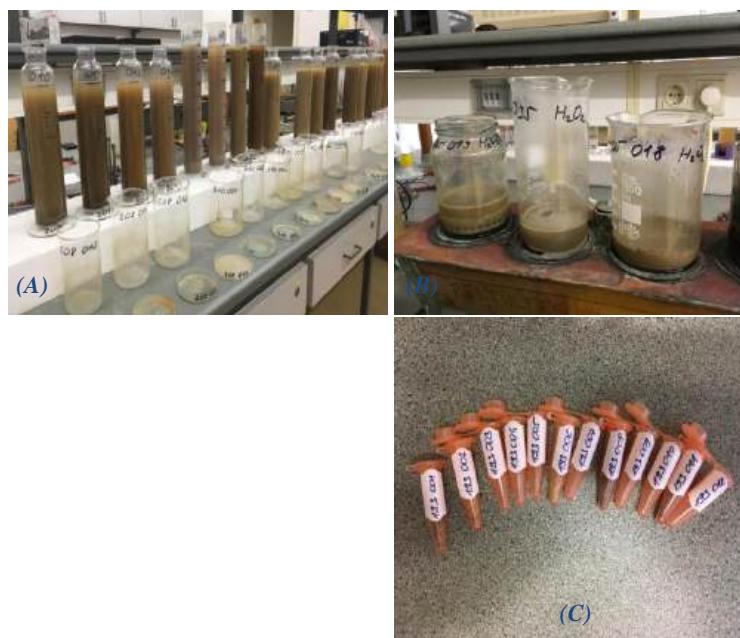
Prior to the separation of the clay fraction organic matter has been removed by 30% hydrogen peroxide in dark coloured samples, or in cases when clay yield was very weak. Peroxidation was carried out for several days (even one week) at 70-80 °C. It is to be noted that this treatment can cause changes in clay minerals, and in samples containing high amount of organic matter calcium oxalate in the form of weddellite precipitated, similarly to the observation of Robert and Beavers (1963).

No chemical dispersion was used if it was not necessary to avoid the saturation of the clays by sodium. However, sodium-tri-polyphosphate was used in some problematic samples as a chemical dispersant agent, but it did not help.

The collected clay fraction was dried on water bath (the suspension itself was of 40-50 °C), and a sufficient quantity (min. 100 mg) was put and stored in an Eppendorf tube.

Finally, oriented aggregates of the clay fraction were prepared by the glass-slide method for the XRPD studies. To ensure the comparability of the measurements and the proper thickness the same quantity of clay suspension has been put on a glass-slide (3.4 mg clay/cm<sup>2</sup>). Figure 1 shows the steps of the sample preparation.

**Figure 2.** Details of Sedimentation of the clay fractions (A), Drying of the collected clay fraction on water bath (B) and, The dried collected clay fractions in Eppendorf tubes(C)



### 3.2 Analytical methods and clay mineral diagnostic treatments

X-ray powder diffraction (XRPD) measurements have been carried out with a Siemens D5000 diffractometer with a graphite monochromator, using CuK $\alpha$  radiation at 40 kV and 40 mA. Measurement parameters on the clay fraction glass slides: 3 to 13 °2θ range, 0.02 °2θ step size and 2 sec counting time for each step; 13 to 36°2θ range, 0.05 °2θ step size and 2 sec counting time. Measurement parameters on bulk soil samples: 3 to 65 °2θ range 0.05 °2θ step size and 2 sec counting time.

Clay mineralogical study involved the measurement of the 1. air-dried sample, 2. ethylene glycol solvated sample for the detection of the swelling clay minerals (ethylene glycol vapour at 60 °C overnight, 3. heat treatment at 110, 350 and 550 °C for 1 hour, the two later for chlorite–kaolinite differentiation, and for the detection of chlorite- or hydroxy interlayering in the swelling clay minerals.

### 3.3 Identification of the clay minerals

Identification of clay minerals is based on the d value of their 00l (mainly 001) reflections after different diagnostic treatment, as follow:

- **Illite (I)** was identified based on its 001 and 002 reflections at 10 and 5 Å, which did not change at all upon glycolation and heating.
- **Kaolinite (K)** was determined if there was a 7 (7.2) Å peak which disappeared upon 550 °C heating, and there was a peak before 25°2θ, at 3.57–3.58 Å, or there was a clearly distinguishable shoulder or splitting of this peak, thus differentiating kaolinite from chlorite when both minerals are present in the sample. Identification of kaolinite is uncertain when the clay fraction contains higher amount of vermiculite, because of the coinciding peaks at 3.58 Å.
- **Chlorite (C)** was determined if there was a 7 Å and 4.7 Å peak, and/or a peak appeared upon 550 °C heat treatment. A peak at 3.54 Å, serves to confirm its presence instead of kaolinite.
- **Smectite (S)** was identified based on its swelling to 17 Å upon ethylene glycol solvation, and on its collapse to 10 Å upon 350 and 550 °C heating. Distinction of the different mineral species within the smectite group would be possible only after additional treatments and XRD measurements.
- **Vermiculite (V)** was determined if there was a sharper peak around 14.3 Å, which does not shift upon glycolation, or showed just a small expansion, but it collapsed to 10 Å upon 350 and 550 °C heat treatment. It must be noted, however, that conventionally vermiculite identification requires additional treatments and XRD measurements by checking if it collapses under K-exchange at ambient T to 10 Å.
- **Sepiolite (Sep)** was identified based on its reflection around 12.8 Å, which peak remained at that position upon ethylene glycol solvation and 110 °C and disappeared at higher temperatures. These results should be confirmed as most authors are identifying sepiolite by using a reflection peak between 12.2 to 11.9 Å (Brindley and Brown, 1980; Sanchez del Rio et al. 2011)
- **Palygorskite (Plg)** was identified based on its reflection around 10.5 Å, which peak remained at that position upon ethylene glycol solvation and 110 °C and disappeared at higher temperatures.
- **Halloysite** was not determined in the samples, because of its uncertain identification as it expand from 7 to 10 Å under hydration. It is suggested when 7 Å peak assigned to kaolinite is unusually broad and relatively weak compared to the *hk0* reflection and shows some sharpening upon heating. The uncertainty of its identification increases in the presence of kaolinite, kaolinite/smectite, or chlorite. Identification would be possible on the basis of the morphology seen by TEM, as far as halloysite nanotubes are evinced (Rachel et al., 2012). If there is a suggestion on halloysite we refer to that in the text.
- **Mixed-layer Illite/Smectite (I/S)** was identified based on a broad reflection between 10 and 14 Å, which became a “valley” upon glycolation, forming a very broad, diffuse reflection at higher d-spacing values than smectite. When it is present in higher amount, it can be also identified by its broad 002 reflection between 8.5–10 Å. Interstratification was characterised using Newmod II software.
- **Mixed-layer Kaolinite/Smectite (K/S)** was suggested when a diffuse, continuous reflection was observed on the low-angle side of the 7 Å, which changed, moved upon glycolation and heating. In cases the mixed-layer clay minerals were clear, showing clear, quite intensive reflections, their XRPD patterns were

compared to calculate mixed-layer mineral (MLM) patterns using Newmod II software, and the interstratification have been characterised by that.

- **Mixed-layer illite/vermiculite (I/V)** was identified from XRD patterns like mixed-layer illite/Smectite (I/S) from the untreated sample but without swelling. Reflection of 8.5 Å also suggests R1 or R0.5 ordered I/V (or *mica/chlorite*); however, this peak may also denote amphibole.
- Peak appearing upon 550 °C at around 12 (11-13) Å was interpreted as the interstratification of a swelling mineral (smectite or vermiculite) with chlorite. In most cases it cannot be determined it is *chlorite/smectite* or *chlorite/vermiculite*. It must be noted that hydroxy-interlayered vermiculite or smectite may behave similarly.
- Other **non-clay minerals** were identified by their strongest peaks which are denoted on the XRD patterns with their abbreviated mineral names.

### 3.4 Quantification of the mineral composition

The semiquantitative composition of <2 µm fractions was estimated by using integrated areas of 00/ reflections.

Peaks were identified as follows: the major quartz peak at 3.34 Å, the potassium feldspar peak at 3.24-3.25 Å, the plagioclase feldspar peak at 3.19 Å, the ~17 Å peak for smectite in the glycolated sample, the ~14 Å peak for vermiculite, the ~10 Å peak for mica (muscovite, biotite) and illite and ~7 Å peak for chlorite or kaolinite (if only one of them is included in the samples). Peak of kaolinite were used for calculation to resolve the superimposed ~ 7 Å peaks of chlorite and kaolinite, areas of 3.54-3.55 Å reflection of chlorite and 3.58-3.59 Å. Other small amount of silicate minerals and iron oxides are present in the soil <2 µm fractions, peak areas of 12.3 Å of sepiolite, 10.4 Å of palygorskite, 9.2 Å of talc, ~8.4 Å of amphibole (if MLM illite/vermiculite or MLM illite/chlorite is not present), 4.18 Å of goethite (if kaolinite is not present the sample, and the colour of the clay fraction allows it), 6.27 Å of lepidocrocite were applied for their quantification. Calcite, dolomite, gypsum, calcium oxalate (in the form of weddellite) were also observed but not quantitatively evaluated. The mineral composition is reported using a modified semiquantitative approach of Svensson et al. (2000). Correspondingly, the characteristic peak areas (mentioned above) were integrated using the following weight factors for each phase: smectite 1, vermiculite 1, illite 4, kaolinite 2, chlorite 2, quartz 1, feldspars 1, other silicates and iron oxides 1. The relative abundance of mineral components was estimated by dividing the weighted peak area with the integrated peak areas. We performed quantitative analysis on appropriate amounts of random powder clay samples using Rietveld refinement method and compared the quantitative and semiquantitative results, accordingly, estimated the applied weight factors.

The amount of mixed layer clay minerals was estimated as follows. Relative abundance of mixed layer illite/smectite or illite/vermiculite was evaluated as the difference between the total peak area of ~10 to ~14 Å and the peaks bellow 14 Å and 10 Å using a weight factor of 0.5. The amount of other mixed layer clay mineral was estimated by its behaviour and XRPD diffractogram after clay mineral diagnostic treatments (ethylene glycol solvation, heating) if mixed layer minerals present as a minor component besides the main non-mixed layer clay minerals. In the case, the clay fraction contains mostly mixed layer clay mineral, the relative abundance was determined by its characteristic peak. The weight factor was 1 for each mixed layer clay mineral except for mixed layer illite/swelling clay mineral (0.5).

The semiquantitative method used to determine the mineralogical composition is appropriate for comparison between samples analysed in the same way. As far as it perceives the dominant and minor components of the soil clay fraction, it is an applicable approach.

## 4 Results

### 4.1 Clay yield, calcite and 7.7 Å reflection problems

Some discrepancies were observed between effervescence test with 20% acetic acid and the measured carbonate contents and the mineralogical composition of the clay fractions, or that of the bulk soil. The critical samples (some 30) were tested again for carbonate by effervescence, and we found only three cases when we have done a mistake in the first test. Unfortunately, calcite from these samples was not removed (LU17 00189 003, LU17 00189 022, LU17 00189 026). However, the test was negative again in the other cases. For example, the clay fraction of 187 008 sample. In some such problematic cases we have done the XRD study of the bulk soil (BS) sample and quantified it using full profile Rietveld refinement. For 187 008 sample we obtained that it contains 15% smectite and similar amount of mica-illite. Contrarily, the clay fraction practically does not contain any clay minerals, but significant amount of calcite. Our suggestion is that this calcite was formed during the production of the clay fraction from lime which could be used for soil remediation, through portlandite, and its transformation to carbonate due to atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>. Another explication of the preservation of calcite is that it is covered by clay minerals and organic matter.

Surprisingly, many samples have a 7.7-7.6 Å peak on the XRD pattern of the clay fraction. In this report this reflection was assigned as gypsum for all samples. Gypsum can be of natural or artificial, anthropogenic origin. However, it must be noted that 7.7 Å reflection can belong also to calcium aluminate hydrate (CAH), which has been demonstrated to be formed from lime at moderately elevated temperature (Bell, 1996) or in the reaction of quick lime added to soil at ambient temperature (Robin et al., 2014). In this issue we cannot take sides as we do not know the past of the studied soils.

The presence of salt (halite) is also enigmatic. Normally, salt must be dissolved and easily removed by washing by distilled water from the sample. In many cases it was not successful. Calcite, gypsum, salt, and CAH, each provoke the aggregation of clay particles, and thus result a very weak clay yield.

Other group of samples which did not produce clay minerals in their clay fraction have been verified according to the XRPD study of the bulk soil samples to do not contain clay minerals, only quartz and primary silicates (feldspars, amphibole, mica).

### 4.2 Results from X-ray diffractograms

Brief description of the clay mineralogy of all samples and semi quantitative mineral composition are showed at country level. The X-ray diffractograms after the different treatment (black = untreated, blue = ethylene glycol solvated, green = 110 °C, dark red = 350 °C, red = 550 °C) for each soil sample were placed in Annex section. Additionally details of some representative clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from each country are shown

#### 4.2.1 Germany

Illite, chlorite and kaolinite are the main clay minerals present in soil samples from Germany. The precipitation of calcite in the clay fraction was produced during the separation of the clay fraction in samples with extremely low clay minerals content due presumably to the previous lime addition to the soil. Clay minerals hk0 reflections are present. Then, they are very disordered small crystal size particles.

**Figure 3.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Germany



**Table 1.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Germany

ID	Description
DE1	Kaolinite is the dominating clay mineral (not a typical soil kaolinite, relatively well crystallized), with some illite. Minor amount of quartz and calcite as non-clay minerals.
DE2	Kaolinitic and illitic clay mineralogy with organic matter and quartz
DE3	Illitic and kaolinitic clay mineralogy with quartz, calcite, halite (!) and minor amount of gypsum and feldspars, and organic matter.
DE4	Illite, chlorite and mixed layer illite/smectite dominated clay mineralogy, maybe with some kaolinite, with quartz, calcite and minor gypsum as non-clays
DE5	Illite, chlorite and mixed layer illite/smectite dominated clay mineralogy, maybe with some kaolinite, with quartz, calcite and minor gypsum as non-clays.
DE6	Illite and kaolinite (and/or chlorite), with considerable quartz and calcite content, and some feldspars
DE7	Vermiculite, illite, chlorite and some kaolinite compose the clay fraction with quartz, and some feldspar, gypsum and halite. The vermiculite does not swell, it seems to be high charged and/or partly hydroxy-interlayered
DE8	The peculiarity of this sample is its high calcite content in the clay fraction. No effervescence with 10% HCl has been observed for this sample, and based on the soil chemical analysis it contains only 0.1% CaCO <sub>3</sub> . Practically there is no clay mineral O0I reflection on the pattern, however the hk0 reflection at 4.5 Å shows their presence. Clay minerals particles in this sample seems to be of very small crystal size, very badly crystallised. It contains high amount of quartz, and some anatase. However, based on the XRPD pattern of the bulk soil the sample contains 15-15% smectite and illite (mica), 60% quartz, 9% feldspar and does not contain calcite. This suggests that calcite precipitated during the clay fraction production. Its precursor could be lime, which strongest reflections are appeared on the X-ray pattern
DE9	Practically there is no clay mineral O0I reflection on the pattern, and even hk0 reflection at 4.5 Å is quite weak. According to the study of the bulk soil sample, actually it contains nothing besides

- 96% quartz and 4% feldspar. Therefore, calcite and salt should be again a by-product of the clay fraction production
- DE10** Similar to the previous samples with newly formed calcite, gypsum, some quartz, and clay mineral is illite
- DE11** Illite, chlorite and some MLM illite/vermiculite or illite/smectite are the clay minerals, with significant amount of calcite and some quartz as non-clay minerals
- DE12** Vermiculitic clay mineralogy (non-expanding on EG, probably high layer charged), with illite, kaolinite and chlorite. Quartz, calcite, gypsum and halite as non-clay minerals
- DE13** Illitic–chloritic clay mineralogy showing illite dominance and less chlorite. Significant amount of calcite, quartz, some gypsum and as non-clay minerals
- DE14** Vermiculitic clay mineralogy (non-expanding on EG, probably high layer charged), with similar amount of chlorite and less illite. Significant amount of non-clay minerals: quartz, calcite, and halite. The bulk soil contains in fact only 86% quartz and 13% feldspars (both plagioclase and K-feldspar)
- DE15** Organic matter rich sample, unfortunately there is no information about the clay minerals. Quartz, feldspars and halite are non-clay minerals present
- DE16** Illite and chlorite are the clay minerals present in the sample, with significant amount of calcite (probably newly formed) and some quartz as non-clay minerals.
- DE17** Illite and chlorite are the clay minerals present in the sample, with significant amount of calcite (probably newly formed) and quartz as non-clay minerals
- DE18** Illitic–chloritic clay mineralogy, with significant amount of calcite (probably formed during the sample preparation) and quartz, and some halite and gypsum as non-clay minerals.
- DE19** Chloritic clay mineralogy, with some MLM illite/vermiculite or illite/smectite. Significant amount of non-clay minerals in the clay fraction: quartz, calcite, halite and gypsum
- DE20** Illite, mixed layer illite/smectite, chlorite and kaolinite are the clay minerals with quartz, calcite, some feldspar and gypsum.
- DE21** Clay fraction rich in calcite and salt, and less quartz. There is no information about the clay minerals
- DE22** Illite and kaolinite represent clay minerals in the sample. Significant amount of non-clay minerals in the clay fraction: quartz and calcite. Calcite is a by-product of the sample preparation, because the bulk soil does not contain it, only 83% quartz, 15% feldspar (plagioclase and K-feldspar too), 1% mica, and probably less than 1% lime.
- DE23** No effervescence with 10% HCl has been observed for this sample, and based on the soil chemical analysis it contains 2% CaCO<sub>3</sub>. However, the clay fraction is dominated by calcite. Practically there is no clay mineral 00l reflection on the pattern, however the hk0 reflection at 4.5 Å shows their presence. Clay minerals in this sample seems to be very small crystal size, very badly crystallised. It contains high amount of quartz, and some anatase
- DE24** Clay mineralogy dominated by kaolinite, with less illite, illite/smectite and minor amount a mixed layer chlorite/smectite or chlorite/vermiculite. Quartz and calcite are non-clay minerals
- DE25** Kaolinite, illite, MLM illite/smectite, chlorite and MLM chlorite/smectite or chlorite/vermiculite are the present clay minerals, with calcite and quartz
- DE26** Clay minerals showing hk0 reflection and weak basal reflections, with high amount of organic matter and quartz, and some gypsum. Kaolinitic, subordinately illitic
- DE27** Illite dominated clay fraction with chlorite, quartz and some feldspar as non-clay minerals
- DE28** Clay mineralogy characterised by illite, mixed layer illite/smectite or illite/vermiculite, chlorite and kaolinite also. Quartz and calcite are the non-clay minerals
- DE29** Illite is the dominating clay minerals, with chlorite, mixed-layer illite/smectite or illite/vermiculite, and also with some mixed-layer chlorite/smectite. Quartz, some calcite and gypsum are present as non-clay minerals
- DE30** Dominantly illite, with randomly interstratified illite/smectite containing 10-15% expanding component. Kaolinite is also present, with some quartz and gypsum

<b>DE31</b>	Vermiculite, illite, chlorite, kaolinite and mixed layer illite/vermiculite and some chlorite/vermiculite or HIV represent the clay mineralogy, with quartz
<b>DE32</b>	The dominant clay minerals are smectite and mixed layer illite/smectite showing R0 ordering approximately 50/50 illite and smectite. The clay fraction contains kaolinite and minor amount of illite, and some quartz
<b>DE33</b>	Clay minerals in the sample are kaolinite, illite, chlorite, and mixed layer illite smectite (R0, 60% smectite).
<b>DE34</b>	Illite, kaolinite, chlorite and mixed layer illite/smectite represent the clay minerals, with quartz, and minor amount of feldspar and calcite
<b>DE35</b>	Kaolinite, vermiculite, and less illite, and mixed-layer chlorite/vermiculite are the clay minerals in the sample, with quartz and gypsum
<b>DE36</b>	Chloritic, mixed-layer chlorite/vermiculitic clay mineralogy with less illite, with high amount of quartz and some gypsum and calcite
<b>DE37</b>	Dominantly illite and kaolinite, with some chlorite (maybe vermiculite). Non-clay minerals are quartz, feldspar, calcite and gypsum
<b>DE38</b>	Dominantly illitic clay mineralogy, with less kaolinite, chlorite and mixed-layer chlorite/vermiculite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, feldspar, calcite and gypsum
<b>DE39</b>	Vermiculite dominated clay mineralogy, with less chlorite and illite. According to the Na-citrate extraction test we have done complementary, a part of this vermiculite shows hydroxy interlayering, so it is partially a HIV (partial expansion upon glycolation after citrate treatment of the originally non-swelling 14 Å mineral). Quartz, feldspar and calcite with trace amount of gypsum are the non-clay minerals

**Table 2.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Germany

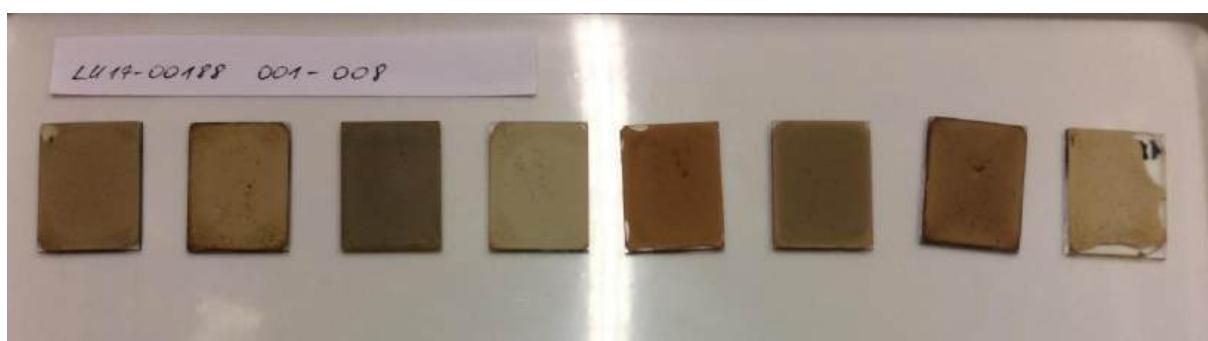
ID	S	V	I	C	K	I/S	I/V	C/S	C/V	HIV	Qz	Fsp	Cal	Gp
<b>DE1</b>			13		81						6	+	+	
<b>DE2</b>			29		22						49	-	+	
<b>DE3</b>			31		13		2				48	5	+	+
<b>DE4</b>			56	10	4	6					23	1	+	+
<b>DE5</b>			44	8	9	5					32	2	+	+
<b>DE6</b>	7		19	10		2					63	6	+	-
<b>DE7</b>			25	9	9						47	2	+	+
<b>DE8</b>				12							88	+	-	
<b>DE9</b>			10								85	5	+	-
<b>DE10</b>			10								90	+	+	
<b>DE11</b>	14	21	35				19				25	+	+	
<b>DE12</b>			16	8	9						47	5	+	+
<b>DE13</b>	15	33	13								49	5	+	+
<b>DE14</b>			11	17							52	4	+	+
<b>DE15</b>											99	1		
<b>DE16</b>			31	30							39	+	-	
<b>DE17</b>			15	18							65	2		
<b>DE18</b>			20	12							66	2	+	+

<b>DE19</b>	20	5			58	17	+	+
<b>DE20</b>	29	10	10	15	34	2	+	+
<b>DE21</b>					100		+	+
<b>DE22</b>	30	13			57		+	-
<b>DE23</b>	57	14		1	26	3	+	-
<b>DE24</b>	29	2	37	5	25	2	+	-
<b>DE25</b>	40	9	19		23	3	+	-
<b>DE26</b>	22	25			53		-	+
<b>DE27</b>	34	4			60	3	+	-
<b>DE28</b>	53	3	10	6	26	2	+	-
<b>DE29</b>	65	3	4		22	1	+	+
<b>DE30</b>	6	69	8	5	17	1	+	+
<b>DE31</b>	11	32	6	12	9	34	2	+
<b>DE32</b>	5	18	20	29		20	1	+
<b>DE33</b>	37	6	24	8		20	-	+
<b>DE34</b>	9	27	7	17	7	40	3	+
<b>DE35</b>	15	7	12		5	46	7	+
<b>DE36</b>	7	18			5	70	+	+
<b>DE37</b>	44	7	17			30	2	+
<b>DE38</b>	21	47	2	11	3	34	2	+
<b>DE39</b>	14	33			15	14	1	+

#### 4.2.2 Greece

Illite, smectite and expandable MLM, chlorite, and kaolinite are the main clay minerals present in soil samples from Greece. Quartz is the main non clay mineral and iron oxides are also present.

**Figure 4.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Greece



**Table 3.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Greece

ID	Description
<b>GR1</b>	The dominating clay minerals are illite, smectite, MLM illite/smectite, kaolinite with quartz, calcite and gypsum as non-clay minerals

<b>GR2</b>	Weak clay mineral 00l reflection with high amount of organic matter. Illite, kaolinite, chlorite compose the clay fraction with quartz and calcite
<b>GR3</b>	The dominating clay minerals are Na-smectite, chlorite, illite with halite and calcite as nonclay minerals
<b>GR4</b>	Illite, MLM illite/smectite and chlorite compose the clay minerals with calcite and quartz
<b>GR5</b>	Kaolinite, chlorite, illite and MLM illite/smectite clay mineralization with goethite, calcite and quartz
<b>GR6</b>	Kaolinite, chlorite, illite and MLM illite/smectite clay mineralization with goethite, calcite, and quartz
<b>GR7</b>	Weak clay mineral 00l reflection with high amount of organic matter. The dominating clay minerals are kaolinite and illite with calcite and quartz as non-clay minerals
<b>GR8</b>	The dominating clay minerals are kaolinite and illite with calcite, halite, and quartz as non-clay minerals
<b>GR9</b>	The dominating clay minerals are illite, kaolinite and chlorite with high amount of gypsum, halite, calcite, and quartz as non-clay

**Table 4.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Greece

ID	S	I	C	K	I/S	Qz	Fsp	Gth	Cal	Gp
<b>GR1</b>	3	66		8	6	16			+	+
<b>GR2</b>		34	5	10		51			+	+
<b>GR3</b>	56	20	16			7	1		+	-
<b>GR4</b>		38	18		29	14			+	-
<b>GR5</b>		27	24	34	3	12			+	+
<b>GR6</b>		54	12	8	8	16		1	+	+
<b>GR7</b>		42		21		37			+	-
<b>GR8</b>		45		25		30			+	+
<b>GR9</b>		53	12	31			3		-	+

#### 4.2.3 Spain

Illite predominate in Spanish soils clay minerals. Randomly ordered R=0 expandable illite/smectite MLM and kaolinite are abundant. Palygorskite is sometimes present. Non clay minerals are represented by calcite, gypsum, dolomite, and quartz. Sometimes the presence of dolomite is associated with gypsiferous soils. Oxyhydroxides as lepidocrocite and goethite are frequenting in the clay fraction.

**Figure 5.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Spain



**Table 5.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Spain

ID	Description
ES1	Illite and mixed layer illite/vermiculite dominated clay mineralogy with some kaolinite, containing relatively high quantity quartz and gypsum
ES2	Chlorite and illite are the clay minerals in the sample, with some quartz and halite
ES3	Illite dominated clay mineralogy with mixed layer illite/smectite and some chlorite. High amount of calcite
ES4	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are sepiolite and illite, with less vermiculite. The sample contains lepidocrocite
ES5	Goethite dominates the clay fraction, with lepidocrocite, calcite and quartz
ES6	Dominantly illitic clay mineralogy with less kaolinite, and trace chlorite, with some calcite
ES7	Predominant clay minerals are illite and less palygorskite, with less kaolinite and chlorite. Minor amount of non-clay minerals: quartz, feldspar, calcite

- ES8** Dominantly illitic and kaolinitic clay mineralogy, but with significant chlorite content. Quartz and calcite as non-clays
- ES9** Illite and mixed layer illite/smectite (R0, 65-70% illite component) dominated clay mineral composition, with some chlorite, containing significant amount of calcite
- ES10** Illite and mixed layer illite/smectite (55-60% illite component) dominated clay mineral composition, with some chlorite, containing significant amount of calcite
- ES11** Predominantly illitic and kaolinitic clay mineralogy, containing also vermiculite, and minor amount of mixed-layer chlorite/vermiculite, with quartz, goethite and trace feldspar, calcite
- ES12** Kaolinite, chlorite/vermiculite, or HIV, illite, MLM illite/smectite and kaolinite are the clay minerals. According to its reddish colour it can contain hematite, and goethite
- ES13** Kaolinite and MLM illite/smectite characterise the clay mineralogy, with discrete illite, and trace chlorite
- ES14** Illite and kaolinite dominated clay mineralogy with some MLM illite/smectite and chlorite/smectite. Significant amount of calcite and trace gypsum
- ES15** Illitic clay mineralogy, with kaolinite and some MLM illite/smectite (R0, 80% illite), and with minor amount of goethite
- ES16** Characteristically expanding clay mineralogy with smectite and MLM illite/smectite (50% swelling component), but also with kaolinite and chlorite, and less discrete illite, and some quartz
- ES17** Mixed layer illite/smectite (R0, 55-60% smectite) dominated clay fraction, with less kaolinite, and some discrete illite and chlorite. Significant amount of calcite, some quartz, and maybe anatase
- ES18** Illitic and chloritic clay mineralogy, with calcite and some quartz
- ES19** Characteristically MLM illite/smectite (60% swelling component) dominates the clay mineralogy, with some illite and kaolinite. The clay fraction contains higher amount of calcite and less gypsum
- ES20** The clay fraction separation was difficult and provided only gypsum. XRD pattern of the bulk soil sample indicate the dominance of gypsum, with dolomite, quartz, plagioclase feldspar. Mica (muscovite) and chlorite represent phyllosilicates, suggesting some information about the clay mineralogy
- ES21** Dominantly illitic clay mineral character, with minor amount of kaolinite (and/or chlorite). Presence of palygorskite is not evident, but it cannot be excluded. Non-clay minerals are quartz, calcite, gypsum, feldspars, and halite
- ES22** Illite dominated clay mineralogy with kaolinite and chlorite. Non-clay minerals are calcite, quartz, K-feldspar and/or rutile
- ES23** Dominantly illitic clay mineralogy, with kaolinite, chlorite, quartz, goethite, and calcite
- ES24** Extremely poor clay fraction (although we used the same material quantity it is transparent). Illite and some chlorite, with higher amount of quartz and feldspars
- ES25** Predominant clay mineral is illite, with less kaolinite, MLM illite/smectite, and trace MLM chlorite/smectite. Quartz and calcite are non-clay minerals
- ES26** Illitic clay mineralogy with MLM illite/smectite and kaolinite. Significant amount of calcite, less quartz
- ES27** Mixed-layer chlorite/vermiculite (about 50:50%) and illite dominated clay mineralogy, with some MLM illite/smectite. Feldspar, some quartz, and calcite are the non-clay minerals
- ES28** Illite, MLM chlorite/smectite and kaolinite dominated clay mineralogy, with less chlorite and MLM illite/smectite. Non-clays are quartz and calcite
- ES29** Kaolinitic and illitic clay mineralogy with calcite and quartz
- ES30** Extremely poor clay fraction (although we used the same material quantity it is transparent). Illite and some chlorite, with higher amount of quartz, calcite, and halite

- ES31** Illitic clay mineralogy and vermiculite, chlorite/vermiculite, with higher amount of quartz and calcite
- ES32** Illite, kaolinite, and chlorite, with some MLM chlorite/vermiculite (or smectite), with quartz and calcite
- ES33** Illite, MLM illite/smectite, chlorite and kaolinite represent clay minerals, with some quartz and calcite
- ES34** Illitic clay mineralogy with some MLM illite/smectite and kaolinite, quartz
- ES35** Swelling clay mineralogy with smectite and MLM illite/smectite (R0, 65-70% smectite) and discrete illite and kaolinite
- ES36** Swelling clay mineralogy with smectite and MLM illite/smectite with 60% swelling component and discrete illite and some kaolinite.
- ES37** Illite dominated clay mineralogy with MLM chlorite/vermiculite, and chlorite
- ES38** Kaolinitic clay mineralogy with illite, some MLM illite/smectite and chlorite/vermiculite. Quartz and calcite as non-clay minerals
- ES39** Predominant clay mineral is illite. Beside illite the sample contains pure smectite, chlorite and MLM chlorite/vermiculite and trace amount of calcite as non-clay mineral
- ES40** The separation of the clay fraction was not successful, it contains only gypsum
- ES41** Mixed layer illite/smectite (R0, 65-70% illite content), discrete illite and kaolinite are the clay minerals in the sample, with some calcite and quartz as non-clay minerals
- ES42** Illitic and kaolinitic clay mineralogy with some MLM chlorite/vermiculite in the sample, with quartz, some goethite, feldspar and maybe anatase
- ES43** Typical expanding clay dominated clay mineralogy with discrete smectite, MLM illite/smectite (R0, 70% swelling component) and discrete illite and kaolinite, without non-clay minerals
- ES44** Predominating clay mineral is illite, with kaolinite and some MLM chlorite/vermiculite and MLM illite/smectite. The sample contains some calcite and quartz and probably goethite.
- ES45** Clay mineralogy characterised by illite and chlorite, with some calcite
- ES46** Predominating clay minerals are illite and MLM illite/smectite (R0, 65% illitic component), with less chlorite, and some MLM chlorite/vermiculite. The sample contains some calcite
- ES47** Predominating clay mineral is MLM illite/smectite (R0, 65-70% illitic component), with illite, and some chlorite or MLM chlorite/smectite. The clay fraction contains quartz and some calcite
- ES48** Illitic clay mineralogy with less chlorite and some MLM chlorite/smectite. The clay fraction contains calcite, quartz, and some feldspar
- ES49** Predominating clay minerals are MLM illite/smectite (R0, 80% illitic component) and illite, with less chlorite and kaolinite. The clay fraction contains quartz and some calcite.
- ES50** Smectitic and MLM illite/smectitic (R0, 70-80% swelling component) clay mineralogy with discrete illite and less chlorite
- ES51** Illitic clay mineralogy with chlorite, and some illite-rich MLM illite/smectite, with trace amount of quartz
- ES52** Illitic clay mineralogy with chlorite, and some illite-rich MLM illite/smectite, with trace amount of quartz and goethite
- ES53** Kaolinite dominated clay mineralogy with significant amount of illite, and some MLM illite/smectite. Non-clay minerals present are quartz, calcite, feldspar
- ES54** Expanding clay mineralogy with almost pure smectite probably with heterocationic interlayer composition (Na<sup>+</sup> and divalent cations), some MLM illite/smectite and non-swelling high charged vermiculite. Discrete illite and kaolinite are also present, with some quartz
- ES55** Predominating clay mineral is illite, with less kaolinite, MLM illite/smectite (R0, 70-75% illite content), and some chlorite, and probably trace amount of goethite as non-clay mineral

- ES56** Smectite, MLM illite/smectite (60-65% illitic component), palygorskite and illite dominated clay mineralogy, with some, chlorite, and kaolinite
- ES57** Illitic-kaolinitic clay mineralogy with some MLM illite/smectite (R0, 65-70% illitic component). Non-clay minerals are calcite, some quartz and hematite
- ES58** Palygorskite and illite dominated clay mineralogy, with some MLM illite/smectite (50:50%), kaolinite and chlorite
- ES59** Predominating clay minerals are MLM illite/smectite (60-65% illitic component), illite and kaolinite, and some palygorskite, containing some goethite
- ES60** Smectite, illite, chlorite, kaolinite, and some MLM illite/smectite compose the clay fraction with some feldspar and quartz
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**Table 6.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Spain

ID	S	V	I	C	Sep	Plg	K	I/S	I/V	C/S	C/V	Qz	Fsp	Gth	Lp	Cal	Gp
ES1	0		44				3		25			27	2			-	+
ES2			37	47								16				-	-
ES3			62	8				17				9	4			+	+
ES4		4	56		6							29	2		3	-	-
ES5												21		79		+	-
ES6			80	3			5					11				+	-
ES7			72	4		5	7	1				10	1			+	-
ES8			66	7			15					12				+	-
ES9			80	6			5					8	1			+	-
ES10			58	12			16					10	4			+	-
ES11		5	46				24			3	21	1			+	-	
ES12			43				30	10		7	9				-	-	
ES13			31	1			43	13			11	1			+	-	
ES14			43				22	5	2		27	2			+	+	
ES15			55				18	11			17				-	-	
ES16	10		10	8		34	30				8				-	-	
ES17	16		20	5		16	20				22				+	+	
ES18			74	16							10				+	-	
ES19			27				12	50			11				+	+	
ES20															-	+	
ES21			80			1	5				13	1			+	+	
ES22			73	4			8				14	2			+	-	
ES23			70	4			6				18	1	1		+	+	
ES24			45	4			4				29	17			-	+	
ES25			58				16	7	4		14	1			+	-	

<b>ES26</b>	68		12	6		13	2		+	+	
<b>ES27</b>	49	2		2	29	17	1		-	-	
<b>ES28</b>	45	2		25	2	9	16	1	+	-	
<b>ES29</b>	40			32			25	3	+	-	
<b>ES30</b>	43	18				29	10		+	-	
<b>ES31</b>	8	50	10			29	3		+	-	
<b>ES32</b>	38	13		21	7	3	17		+	-	
<b>ES33</b>	57	6		15	10		11	1	+	-	
<b>ES34</b>	71			8	6		14	2	+	-	
<b>ES35</b>	30			18	44		7		-	-	
<b>ES36</b>	19			6	68		7		+	-	
<b>ES37</b>	67	20				10	3		+	-	
<b>ES38</b>	22			63	2		6	5	2		
<b>ES39</b>	2	78	2			6	12		+	-	
<b>ES40</b>									-	+	
<b>ES41</b>	62			17	11		8	1	+	-	
<b>ES42</b>	50			18		5	26	1	+	+	
<b>ES43</b>	2	38		14	29		6		-	-	
<b>ES44</b>	76			9		3	11		+	-	
<b>ES45</b>	74	13				2	10		+	-	
<b>ES46</b>	61	12			13		2	13	+	-	
<b>ES47</b>	37				38	5	20		-	-	
<b>ES48</b>	60	10				1	28	2	+	-	
<b>ES49</b>	55	4		10	14	3	15		+	-	
<b>ES50</b>	13	42	14		19		13		-	-	
<b>ES51</b>	62	10			15		13				
<b>ES52</b>	66	10			10		14		-	-	
<b>ES53</b>	31				59	3		6	1	+	-
<b>ES54</b>	11	10	30		19	15		15	1	-	-
<b>ES55</b>	64	5			12	10		8	0	-	-
<b>ES56</b>	55	1		1	8	26		7	1	-	-
<b>ES57</b>	55			0	26	1		18	0	+	-
<b>ES58</b>	69	3		5	9	5		9	0	-	-
<b>ES59</b>	39			1	25	25		11		-	-
<b>ES60</b>	10	51	6		10	13		9	1	-	-

#### 4.2.4 Finland

Typical grey dark colours characterize Finland clay mineral in soils. Vermiculite including HIV Al hydroxide intercalated are typical of Finland soils. MLM chloritic and ordered smectite minerals with illite are also present. Non clay minerals include amphibole indicative of a low degree of weathering. Quartz and feldspars are the main non clay minerals. Also, micas are present. Presence of vermiculite, halite and amorphous simultaneously could be explained when taking place extraordinarily strong leaching rate.

**Figure 6.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Finland



**Table 7.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Finland

ID	Description
FI1	The dominating clay minerals are HIV, Na-vermiculite, and small amount of illite, with quartz and halite
FI2	The dominating clay fraction are illite, chlorite, vermiculite, MLM illite/vermiculite (probably hydrobiotite) (ordered 50:50%) with quartz, calcite, and amphibole as non-clay minerals
FI3	Extremely poor clay fraction with small amount of chlorite and illite. Quartz as a non-clay. The bulk soil sample does not contain clay minerals, it is composed of 63% quartz, 33% feldspars and 2% amphibole
FI4	Illite, chlorite, vermiculite dominated clay fraction with quartz and calcite
FI5	Poor clay fraction with vermiculite and quartz, calcite. According to the analysis of the bulk soil it contains 60% quartz, 34% feldspars, 5% amphibole and 1% chlorite
FI6	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are illite and chlorite with amphibole and quartz as non-clay
FI7	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are illite and chlorite with amphibole, quartz, and feldspars as non-clay
FI8	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are illite and chlorite with amphibole, quartz, feldspars, and some calcite as non-clay
FI9	The dominating clay minerals are illite, chlorite, MLM illite/vermiculite, and small amount of MLM illite/chlorite with quartz and feldspars
FI10	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are illite, chlorite and MLM chlorite/vermiculite with amphibole and quartz as non-clay
FI11	Poor clay fraction with vermiculite and quartz
FI12	Extremely poor clay fraction with illite and vermiculite. Quartz as non-clay
FI13	Extremely poor clay fraction with very small amount chlorite with quartz and organic matter. According to the analysis of the bulk soil it contains 65% quartz, 32% feldspars, 2% amphibole and 1% mica

<b>FI14</b>	The dominating clay fraction are illite, chlorite and MLM chlorite/vermiculite with quartz, amphibole, and calcite
<b>FI15</b>	The dominating clay fraction are illite, vermiculite and MLM illite/vermiculite with quartz and organic matter
<b>FI16</b>	Illite, chlorite and MLM illite/vermiculite dominated clay fraction with quartz and amphibole
<b>FI17</b>	Extremely poor clay fraction with vermiculite and quartz
<b>FI18</b>	Poor clay fraction with illite and vermiculite. Quartz as non-clay
<b>FI19</b>	The dominating clay minerals are illite and MLM kaolinite/smectite with amphibole and quartz
<b>FI20</b>	The dominating clay minerals are illite, kaolinite and MLM illite/smectite with quartz
<b>FI21</b>	The dominating clay minerals are illite, kaolinite and MLM illite/vermiculite with quartz
<b>FI22</b>	Poor clay fraction with illite, vermiculite and MLM illite/chlorite/vermiculite with quartz and organic matter
<b>FI23</b>	The dominating clay fraction are illite, vermiculite and HIV with quartz, gypsum, and calcite
<b>FI24</b>	The dominating clay minerals are illite, HIV and MLM illite/vermiculite with amphibole and quartz
<b>FI25</b>	Chlorite, illite and MLM chlorite/vermiculite dominated clay fraction with quartz, amphibole, and talc.
<b>FI26</b>	The dominating clay minerals are illite, chlorite, MLM illite/chlorite and smectite with quartz
<b>FI27</b>	The dominating clay minerals are illite, chlorite, MLM illite/chlorite with quartz
<b>FI28</b>	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are vermiculite and illite with gypsum and amphibole
<b>FI29</b>	Illite, vermiculite, HIV dominated clay fraction with gypsum, amphibole, and quartz
<b>FI30</b>	The sample did not yield clay fraction. According to the XRD analysis of the bulk soil it contains 79% quartz, 20% feldspars (plagioclase > K-feldspar) and 1% biotite

**Table 8.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Portugal

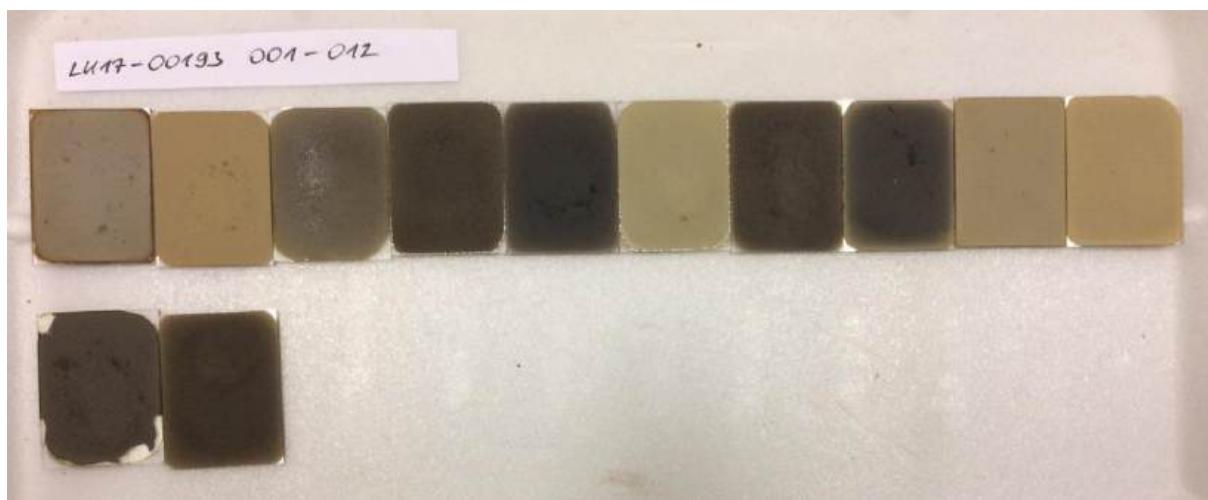
ID	S	V	I	C	Tlc	K	I/S	I/V	I/C	I/C/V	C/S	C/V	HIV	K/S	Qz	Fsp	Amp	Cal	Gp
<b>FI1</b>	13	10		3							10		40	24		-	-		
<b>FI2</b>	5	26	16					13					30	9	3	+	-		
<b>FI3</b>		16	10										50	24		-	-		
<b>FI4</b>	8	36	15										21	15	4	+	-		
<b>FI5</b>	19												53	27		+	-		
<b>FI6</b>		54	16					5					19	6	1	-	-		
<b>FI7</b>		61	16										16	5	1	-	-		
<b>FI8</b>		51	14										23	10	2	+	-		
<b>FI9</b>		37	18						5	1			29	10		-	-		
<b>FI10</b>		52	12							3			25	7	1	-	-		
<b>FI11</b>		16											64	20		-	-		
<b>FI12</b>		12	34										43	10		+	-		
<b>FI13</b>			10										64	26		-	-		
<b>FI14</b>			36	8							4		35	16	2	+	-		
<b>FI15</b>		15	31						1				43	10		-	-		
<b>FI16</b>		44	12					9					21	11	3	-	-		

<b>FI17</b>	20				49	31	-	-
<b>FI18</b>	4	30			47	20	-	-
<b>FI19</b>		30			8	39	19	4
<b>FI20</b>		30	10	7		33	20	-
<b>FI21</b>		57	8	6		22	7	-
<b>FI22</b>	5	33		5		51	6	-
<b>FI23</b>	11	22		3		47	16	+
<b>FI24</b>		8		7	17	57	10	1
<b>FI25</b>		25	25	2	7	30	9	2
<b>FI26</b>	6	22	16	19		26	11	-
<b>FI27</b>		38	22	9		21	11	-
<b>FI28</b>		13	6			62	17	3
<b>FI29</b>		13	20		11	41	13	2
<b>FI30</b>							79	20

#### 4.2.5 Hungary

Clay mineralogy in the Hungary soils is composed mainly of illite, chlorite and kaolinite. Expandable MLM components with all these layers are described. Quartz is the main non clay mineral with minor amounts of gypsum and calcite and less halite.

**Figure 7.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Hungarian



**Table 9.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Hungary

ID	Description
<b>HU1</b>	The dominating clay minerals are illite, kaolinite, chlorite, MLM illite/smectite, MLM chlorite/smectite, with quartz and gypsum as non-clay minerals
<b>HU2</b>	Illite, kaolinite, chlorite and MLM chlorite/smectite compose the clay fraction with quartz

<b>HU3</b>	Weak clay mineral 00l reflection with high amount of organic matter. The dominating clay minerals are MLM illite/vermiculite, illite, and kaolinite, with calcite and quartz as non-clay minerals
<b>HU4</b>	The dominating clay minerals are illite, kaolinite, chlorite and MLM illite/smectite with quartz, calcite, and halite
<b>HU5</b>	Clay minerals dominated by illite, chlorite, kaolinite and MLM illite/smectite (60% swelling component) with quartz
<b>HU6</b>	Illite is the dominating clay minerals with chlorite, MLM illite/smectite, MLM chlorite/smectite with quartz, gypsum, and halite as non-clay minerals
<b>HU7</b>	Illite, chlorite and MLM illite/smectite with gypsum, calcite, and quartz
<b>HU8</b>	The dominating clay minerals are MLM illite/smectite (R0, 70-75% swelling component), illite and kaolinite with quartz
<b>HU9</b>	The dominating clay minerals are illite and kaolinite, with small amount of MLM chlorite/smectite, MLM illite/smectite with quartz, calcite, and halite as non-clay minerals
<b>HU10</b>	Illite, kaolinite and MLM illite/smectite compose the clay fraction with quartz, calcite, gypsum, and halite
<b>HU11</b>	The dominating clay minerals are illite, kaolinite, MLM chlorite/smectite, MLM illite/smectite with quartz, gypsum, and calcite
<b>HU12</b>	Illite, kaolinite and MLM illite/smectite compose the clay fraction with quartz and calcite

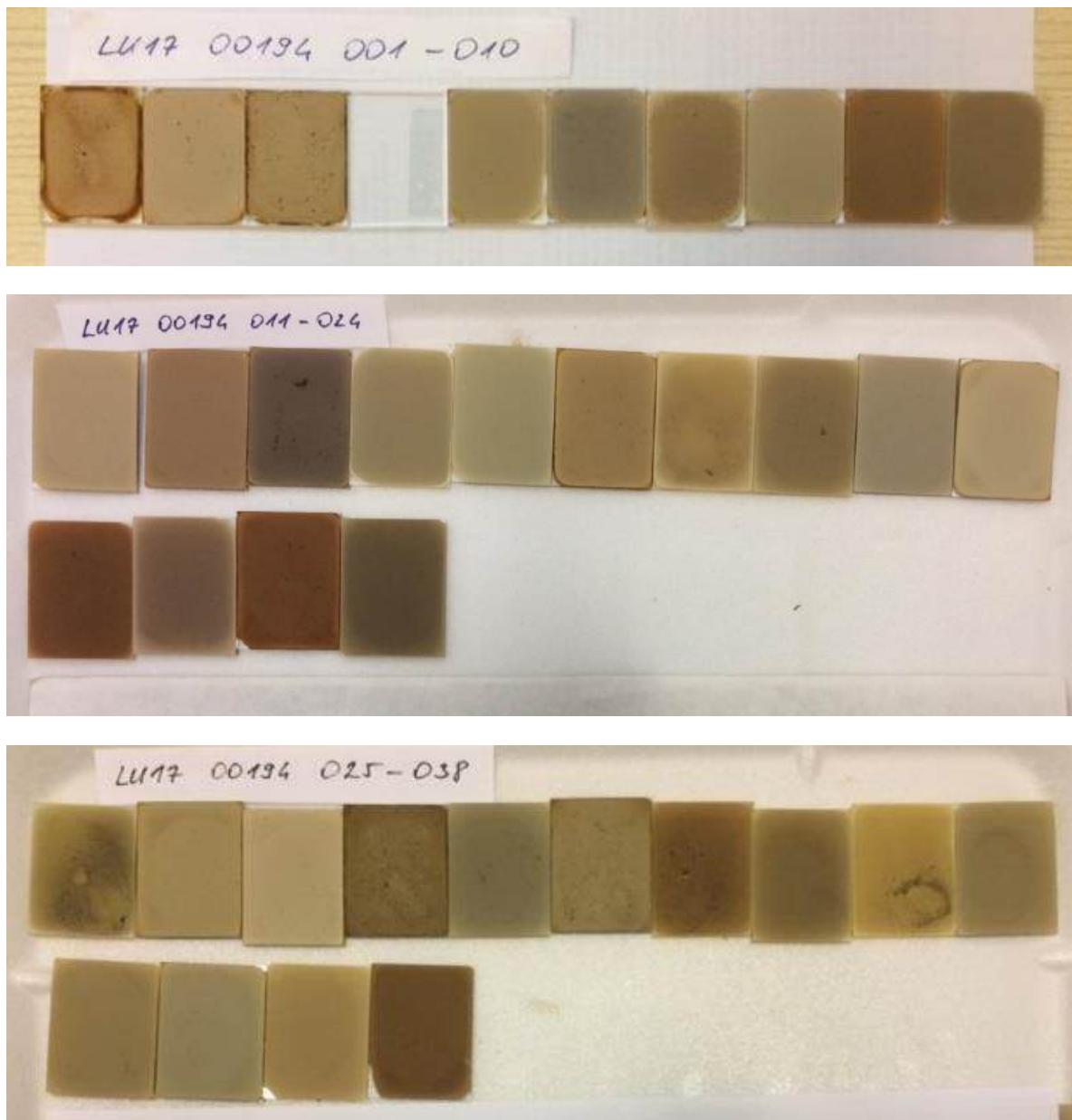
**Table 10.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Hungary

ID	I	C	K	I/S	I/V	C/S	Qz	Fsp	Cal	Gp
<b>HU1</b>	44	9	9	11		3	23	1	-	+
<b>HU2</b>	60	4	4	5		4	23		-	-
<b>HU3</b>					53		47		+	+
<b>HU4</b>	33	29		3			33	2	+	+
<b>HU5</b>	40	16	6	8			29	1	+	-
<b>HU6</b>	56	10		4		3	25	2	+	+
<b>HU7</b>	36	28		6			29	1	+	+
<b>HU8</b>	42		12	23			23		-	+
<b>HU9</b>	63		8	4		3	20	2	-	+
<b>HU10</b>	52	8	4	5			29	2	+	+
<b>HU11</b>	49		7	6		2	34	2	-	+
<b>HU12</b>	55	8	4	3			28	2	+	+

#### 4.2.6 Italy

Smectitic soils and illite/smectite or vermiculite/smectite MLM clay mineral are frequent in the studied soils form Italy. Kaolinite is less represented, and chlorite is present many times in amounts smaller than expandable clay minerals. Quartz and calcite predominate in the non-clay minerals components sometimes with dolomite and gypsum. Lepidocrocite and goethite oxyhydroxides are sometimes present.

**Figure 8.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Italy



**Table 11.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Italy

ID	Description
IT1	The dominant clay mineral is illite, with less chlorite, MLM chlorite/vermiculite and some kaolinite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, feldspar, and some calcite
IT2	Illitic and chloritic clay mineralogy. The clay fraction contains gypsum and quartz
IT3	Illitic and chloritic-vermiculitic clay mineralogy, with MLM illite/vermiculite, MLM chlorite/vermiculite, discrete illite and chlorite. The clay fraction contains quartz and lepidocrocite
IT4	Chloritic-vermiculitic clay mineralogy, with illite, chlorite, some MLM illite/vermiculite, MLM chlorite/vermiculite, discrete illite and chlorite. The clay fraction contains quartz, calcite, feldspar, and gypsum

- IT5** Clay mineralogy dominate by expanding clays: smectite, MLM illite/smectite (60% illitic component), MLM chlorite/smectite, illite and chlorite. The clay fraction contains quartz and some feldspar
- IT6** Clay mineralogy dominate by expanding clays: smectite, MLM illite/smectite (60-65% illitic component), illite, MLM chlorite/smectite and chlorite. The clay fraction contains quartz and some feldspar
- IT7** Clay mineralogy dominate by expanding clays: smectite, MLM illite/smectite (75-80% smectitic component), illite, MLM chlorite/smectite and some chlorite. The clay fraction contains some quartz
- IT8** Clay mineralogy dominate by different interlayered partially expanding clays: MLM chlorite/smectite (50-50% each component) or chlorite/vermiculite, MLM kaolinite/smectite (75% kaolinite component), MLM illite/smectite (75-80% illitic component), and discrete illite. The clay fraction contains some quartz and calcite
- IT9** Vermiculitic clay mineralogy predominated by vermiculite (non-expanding, high layer charged or hydroxy-interlayered (HIV)), MLM chlorite/vermiculite, some discrete illite and chlorite. The clay fraction contains some quartz
- IT10** Illite, chlorite, MLM illite/smectite (R0, 60% illitic component), MLM chlorite/smectite or chlorite/vermiculite and kaolinite. The clay fraction contains some quartz
- IT11** Illitic–chloritic clay mineralogy with discrete illite, chlorite, and less kaolinite. The clay fraction contains quartz, feldspar, and some calcite
- IT12** Kaolinite, illite and MLM illite/smectite dominated clay mineralogy, with some chlorite, MLM chlorite/smectite. The clay fraction contains quartz, feldspar and some calcite and gypsum
- IT13** Smectitic clay mineral character, with almost pure smectite, some MLM illite/smectite and MLM kaolinite/smectite, and minor amount of kaolinite and discrete illite. Cristobalite is a specific non-clay mineral, with feldspar
- IT14** Smectitic clay mineral character, with almost pure smectite, some swelling component rich (80-90%) MLM illite/smectite, some discrete illite, and trace amount of kaolinite and. non-clay minerals do not occur.
- IT15** Approximately same amount of kaolinite, illite, MLM illite/smectite (65% illitic component), chlorite, and some MLM chlorite/smectite represent the clay minerals. Non-clay minerals are some quartz and calcite
- IT16** Kaolinitic – illitic clay mineralogy with some MLM chlorite/smectite (or chlorite/vermiculite), and with higher amount of quartz
- IT17** Swelling clay mineral character, with almost pure smectite and smectite rich (80%) R0 MLM illite/smectite, and minor amount of kaolinite and discrete illite. Quartz and calcite are the nonclay minerals
- IT18** Smectitic clay mineral character with MLM illite/smectite (50-60% swelling component), and some MLM kaolinite/smectite, kaolinite, chlorite and discrete illite. Quartz and calcite are the non-clay minerals
- IT19** Illite and chlorite dominated clay mineralogy, with MLM illite/smectite (60-65% illite component), and less kaolinite, and MLM chlorite/smectite, and quartz
- IT20** Illitic clay mineralogy with MLM chlorite/smectite or chlorite/vermiculite (R0.5, 65-70% chlorite component), and MLM illite/vermiculite (or smectite) (70% illite component). Non-clay minerals are quartz, feldspar, and calcite
- IT21** Illitic–kaolinitic clay mineralogy with quartz, goethite, and calcite as non-clay minerals
- IT22** Smectitic clay mineral character, with MLM illite/smectite (approximately 50:50%) and some almost pure smectite. It contains also significant amount of kaolinite and discrete illite, and quartz.
- IT23** Illitic–kaolinitic clay mineralogy with quartz, goethite, and calcite as non-clay minerals

- IT24** Kaolinite, MLM illite/smectite (50-55% illite content), and illite are the major clay minerals, with less chlorite. Quartz, gypsum, and calcite occur as non-clay minerals
- IT25** Smectitic clay mineral character, with MLM illite/smectite (55-60% smectite component), and less kaolinite and trace amount of discrete illite, and probably palygorskite. Non-clay minerals in the sample are quartz and calcite
- IT26** Illitic-chloritic clay mineralogy with some MLM illite/smectite, and less kaolinite. Quartz, calcite, feldspar, and gypsum as non-clay minerals
- IT27** Clay mineralogy is composed of same amount of MLM illite/smectite (50-65% illitic component), discrete illite, chlorite and kaolinite and less kaolinite. Quartz, calcite, feldspar, gypsum, and halite as non-clay minerals
- IT28** Weak phyllosilicate 00l reflections, only the presence of illite and kaolinite and/or chlorite is suggested. However, according to the more intensive 4.5 Å reflection they are clay minerals in the sample. It contains organic matter, significant amount of quartz, gypsum, and feldspar
- IT29** Illitic-chloritic clay mineralogy containing also MLM illite/smectite (R0, 65-70% illitic component), and kaolinite, and quartz as non-clay mineral
- IT30** Vermiculitic-chloritic clay mineralogy containing non swelling vermiculite (high charged or OH-interlayered), MLM chlorite/vermiculite or HIV, discrete chlorite, some illite, and less kaolinite. Non-clay minerals in the clay fraction are amphibole, quartz, and gypsum
- IT31** Illitic clay mineralogy containing discrete illite, less illite-rich MLM illite/smectite, and some kaolinite
- IT32** Smectitic clay mineral character, dominated by MLM illite/smectite (60% swelling component) and with some almost pure smectite, less kaolinite and discrete illite, and minor amount of MLM chlorite/smectite and chlorite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, calcite, and feldspar
- IT33** Smectitic clay mineral character dominated by MLM illite/smectite (70-75% swelling component) and MLM chlorite/smectite (60% smectitic component). Discrete illite, kaolinite and some chlorites are also present. Trace of quartz as non-clay mineral
- IT34** Smectitic clay mineral character dominated by MLM illite/smectite (70-75% swelling component) with some discrete illite and chlorite. Calcite, quartz, dolomite, and gypsum as nonclay minerals
- IT35** Illitic-chloritic-kaolinitic clay mineralogy containing also MLM illite/smectite and some MLM chlorite/smectite/kaolinite. Calcite and quartz are present as non-clay minerals
- IT36** Illite and chlorite dominated clay mineralogy with less smectite-rich MLM illite/smectite and some MLM chlorite/smectite and kaolinite. Calcite and quartz are present as non-clay minerals
- IT37** The predominating clay minerals are illite and MLM illite/smectite (R0, 65-70% illite content), with some kaolinite. Calcite and quartz are present as non-clay minerals
- IT38** Kaolinitic clay mineralogy with illite. Calcite, plagioclase, quartz, and goethite are present as non-clay minerals
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**Table 12.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Italy

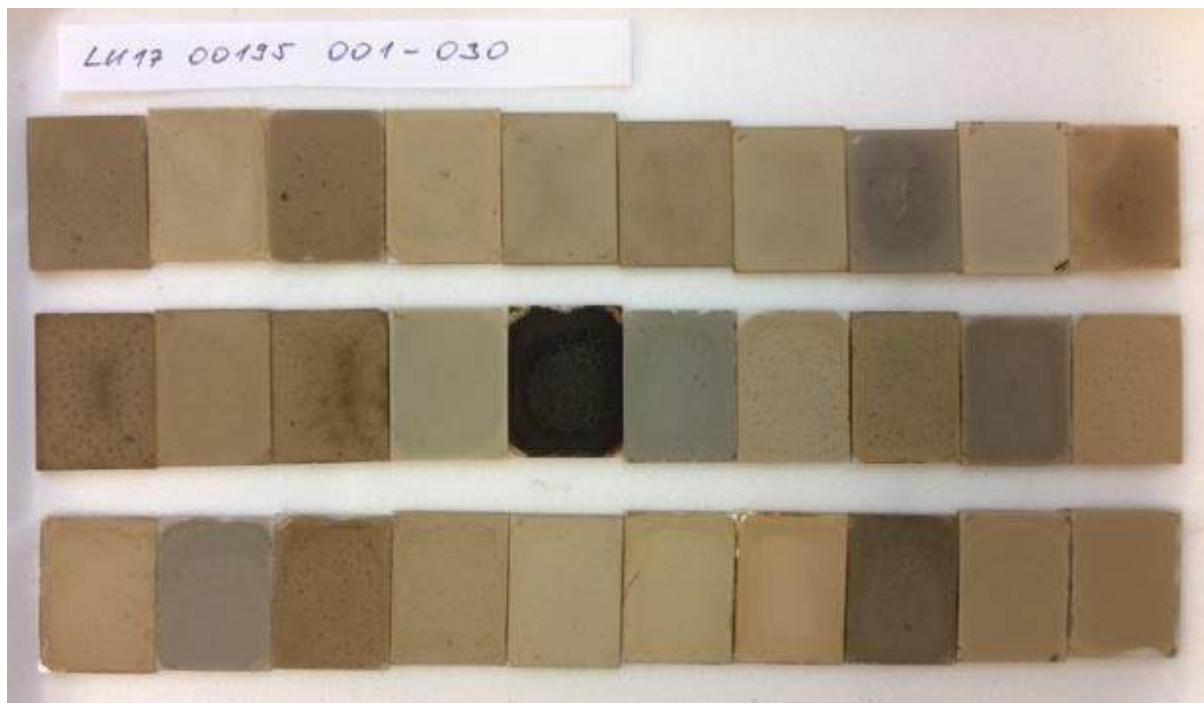
ID	S	V	I	C	K	I/S	I/V	C/S	C/V	K/S	Qz	Crs	Fsp	Amp	Gth	Lp	Cal	Dol
IT1			56	11	6				2		22		3				+	-
IT2			34	31							34		1				-	-
IT3			31	15			7		5		41		1		4		-	-
IT4			33	41							23		3				+	-
IT5	5		39	23		10		3			19		1				-	-
IT6	5		39	24	5	10					16						-	-
IT7	42		19			18		7			13						-	-
IT8			43			6			34	3	13						+	-
IT9	29	9	19						28		15						-	-
IT10			28	15	17	19		7			14						-	-
IT11			38	22	12						25		3				+	-
IT12			42		24	13		6			13		1				+	+
IT13	65		6		4	16					2	6	7				-	+
IT14	61		14		2	23											-	-
IT15			27	12	20	25		4			13						+	-
IT16			27		27			13			34						-	-
IT17	44		9		11	18					18						+	-
IT18			31	12	12	21		7			17		1				+	-
IT19			30	23	17	14		4			12						+	-
IT20			51			15		18			16		1				+	-
IT21			46		32						14		2		6		+	-

<b>IT22</b>	15	24	28	8	25		-	-
<b>IT23</b>	50	30			16	4	+	-
<b>IT24</b>	32	8	30	16	14		+	-
<b>IT25</b>	16		40	30	15		+	-
<b>IT26</b>	59	19		4	17	2	+	-
<b>IT27</b>	44	8	18	10	17	3	+	-
<b>IT28</b>	24		21		47	8	-	-
<b>IT29</b>	28	19	22	13	17	2	+	-
<b>IT30</b>	16	7	40	2	20	14	2	-
<b>IT31</b>	77		13		10		+	-
<b>IT32</b>	28		16	25	13	17	1	+
<b>IT33</b>	29		14	20	17	20	1	-
<b>IT34</b>	30	14		29		26		+
<b>IT35</b>	42	8	12	15	2	20		+
<b>IT36</b>	50	14	9	6	3	17	1	+
<b>IT37</b>	50		5	10		35		+
<b>IT38</b>	19		55		9	13	5	+

#### 4.2.7 Poland

Poland soils have grey to pale cream colours similarly to Finland, Germany, and Hungary. Vermiculite including HIV and illite/vermiculite are present together in major proportions with illite and less smectite/illite as secondary assemblages. Kaolinite is present elsewhere. Quartz dominates non clay minerals and calcite is in very small amounts.

**Figure 9.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Poland



**Table 13.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Poland

ID	Description
PL1	Vermiculitic clay mineralogy, with minor amount of illite, MLM illite/vermiculite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, calcite, and gypsum
PL2	Clay mineralogy is composed of approximately same amount of vermiculite, illite, and kaolinite, and of gypsum, quartz, calcite, and K-feldspar and/or rutile as non-clay minerals
PL3	Vermiculite dominated clay mineral composition with some MLM chlorite/vermiculite or HIV. Non-clay minerals are calcite, and an unidentified crystalline phase showing reflections close to alunite-jarosite group
PL4	Illitic-kaolinitic clay mineralogy with some MLM illite/smectite (50:50%). Non-clay minerals are quartz and feldspar
PL5	Clay mineralogy is composed of approximately same amount of vermiculite with some MLM chlorite/vermiculite or HIV, illite, and kaolinite. Gypsum, quartz, calcite, feldspar, and halite are present as non-clay minerals
PL6	Vermiculitic clay mineralogy, with minor amount of illite, MLM chlorite/vermiculite and kaolinite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, calcite, K-feldspar, and gypsum

- PL7** Clay mineralogy is composed of vermiculite with some MLM chlorite/vermiculite or HIV, MLM illite/vermiculite, illite, and kaolinite. Gypsum, quartz, calcite, feldspar are present as non-clay minerals
- PL8** Illitic-kaolinitic clay mineralogy with some MLM illite/smectite (50:50%). Non-clay minerals are quartz, calcite, and gypsum
- PL9** Illite and MLM illite/smectite (50-55% swelling component) dominated clay mineralogy with less kaolinite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, calcite and probably cristobalite.
- PL10** Illite, MLM illite/smectite (R0, 60% swelling component) and kaolinite are the major clay minerals, with some vermiculite. Quartz, calcite, gypsum, and some feldspars are nonclay minerals
- PL11** High amount of non-clay minerals (quartz, feldspars, less calcite) in the clay fraction, probably due to the presence of gypsum and salt. Vermiculite and kaolinite represent clay minerals
- PL12** Vermiculitic clay mineralogy with MLM chlorite/vermiculite or OH-interstratification, kaolinite and illite. Non-clay minerals are quartz and gypsum
- PL13** Vermiculitic clay mineralogy with some kaolinite and MLM illite/vermiculite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, gypsum, feldspars, and calcite
- PL14** Mixed layer illite/smectite (50-55% swelling component) dominated clay fraction, with significant amount of discrete illite and kaolinite, and some quartz
- PL15** In this organic matter rich sample dehydrated calcium oxalate (weddellite) precipitated during peroxidization. Presence of chlorite and illite is suggested by weak peaks.
- PL16** Mixed layer illite/smectite (50-55% swelling component) dominated clay fraction, with discrete illite and kaolinite, and some quartz and precipitated weddellite
- PL17** Vermiculitic clay mineralogy with MLM chlorite/vermiculite or OH-interstratification, kaolinite and illite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, feldspars, calcite, and gypsum
- PL18** Clay mineralogy composed of MLM illite/smectite, illite and kaolinite, with quartz, feldspars, calcite, and halite as non-clay minerals
- PL19** Clay mineralogy composed of MLM illite/smectite (60% swelling component), illite and kaolinite, with quartz
- PL20** Vermiculitic clay mineralogy with some kaolinite and MLM illite/vermiculite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, gypsum, and feldspars
- PL21** Clay mineralogy is composed of vermiculite with some MLM chlorite/vermiculite or HIV, MLM illite/vermiculite, illite, and kaolinite. Gypsum, quartz, calcite, feldspar are present as non-clay minerals
- PL22** Vermiculite, MLM illite/vermiculite, illite and kaolinite compose the clay fraction, with quartz, feldspars, calcite, gypsum and precipitated weddellite
- PL23** Vermiculitic clay mineralogy with some kaolinite and illite. Quartz and calcite are non-clay minerals present
- PL24** Clay mineralogy is composed of vermiculite, MLM illite/vermiculite, illite, and some kaolinite, and of quartz and feldspars as non-clay minerals
- PL25** Clay mineralogy is composed of vermiculite, MLM illite/vermiculite, illite, and some kaolinite, and of quartz, calcite, gypsum, and feldspars as non-clay minerals
- PL26** Vermiculitic clay mineralogy with MLM illite/vermiculite, vermiculite probably with hydroxy interlayering, illite and some kaolinite. Quartz and feldspars as non-clay minerals
- PL27** Vermiculitic clay mineralogy with MLM illite/vermiculite, MLM chlorite/vermiculite (or with hydroxy interlayering), illite and some kaolinite. Quartz and feldspars as non-clay minerals
- PL28** Vermiculitic clay mineralogy with some kaolinite and illite, with significant amount of quartz, some gypsum, and feldspars

<b>PL29</b>	Illite dominated clay mineralogy containing also MLM illite/smectite (smectite-rich), kaolinite and some MLM chlorite/smectite (50:50%). Non-clay minerals are feldspars and quartz.												
<b>PL30</b>	Illite dominated clay mineralogy containing also MLM illite/smectite, kaolinite and some MLM chlorite/smectite. Non-clay minerals are feldspars, quartz, calcite, and gypsum.												

**Table 14.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Poland

ID	S	V	I	C	K	I/S	I/V	C/V	Qz	Crs	Fsp	Cal	Gp	Wed
<b>PL1</b>		20	17						56		7	+	+	-
<b>PL2</b>	8	20		15					52		5	+	+	-
<b>PL3</b>	22								70		8	+	+	+
<b>PL4</b>		39		18	15				24		4	+	+	-
<b>PL5</b>	10	16		15				5	50		4	+	+	-
<b>PL6</b>	10	11		10				3	59		7	+	+	-
<b>PL7</b>	8	15		12		10		3	46		5	+	+	-
<b>PL8</b>		33		7	8				48		3	+	+	-
<b>PL9</b>		36		10	17				24	10	2	+	+	-
<b>PL10</b>	7	29		13	13				37		1	+	+	-
<b>PL11</b>	4			6					72		18	+	+	-
<b>PL12</b>	13	7		10			3		62		6	-	+	-
<b>PL13</b>	13	5		16					62		5	+	+	-
<b>PL14</b>		30		21	37				11		1	-	-	-
<b>PL15</b>	30								70			-	-	+
<b>PL16</b>				18	64				15		3	-	-	+
<b>PL17</b>	7	11		13			3		60		5	+	+	-
<b>PL18</b>		13		14	5				65		2	-	+	-
<b>PL19</b>	32	8	15	12					32		1	+	-	-
<b>PL20</b>	17	7		19		5			44		8	+	+	-
<b>PL21</b>	8	14		17		4	3		51		3	+	+	-
<b>PL22</b>	9	17		12		6			51		5	+	+	+
<b>PL23</b>	11	7		22					57		3	+	-	-
<b>PL24</b>	8	16	13	2		2			56		2	+	-	-
<b>PL25</b>	6	21	13	2		2			53		4	+	+	-
<b>PL26</b>	5	25	20	2		7	3		36		2	-	-	-
<b>PL27</b>	9	22	22	2		7	3		33		2	-	+	-
<b>PL28</b>	9	11		13					62		5	-	+	-

<b>PL29</b>	47	18	6	26	2	-	-	-
<b>PL30</b>	35	19	8	35	2	+	+	-

#### 4.2.8 Lithuania

Lithuania soils are represented by grey and dark grey colours. Sometimes are rich in organic matter (weddellite has been identified). Clay minerals are dominated by vermiculitic components and chlorite MLM clay minerals. Quartz is the main companion mineral of clay minerals in these soils.

**Figure 10.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Lithuania



**Table 15.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Lithuania

ID	Description
<b>LT1</b>	The dominating clay minerals are chlorite and vermiculite with high amount of calcite, quartz and halite
<b>LT2</b>	The dominating clay minerals are vermiculite, illite, chlorite and MLM chlorite/vermiculite with quartz, calcite as non-clay
<b>LT3</b>	Vermiculite, illite and MLM chlorite/vermiculite dominated clay fraction with quartz and calcite.
<b>LT4</b>	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are vermiculite, illite and chlorite/vermiculite with calcite and quartz
<b>LT5</b>	Illite, HIV and MLM illite/vermiculite dominated clay minerals with quartz, calcite
<b>LT6/1</b>	The dominating clay minerals are HIV and illite with quartz, weddellite, calcite and organic matter.
<b>LT7</b>	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are chlorite, illite and MLM chlorite/vermiculite with quartz, calcite and gypsum.
<b>LT8</b>	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are chlorite, illite and MLM chlorite/illite with quartz, calcite

**Table 16.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Lithuania

ID	V	I	C	I/V	C/V	Qz	Fsp	Cal	Gp	Wed
<b>LT1</b>	9		32			59		+	+	-
<b>LT2</b>	10	25	19		1	42	3	-	+	-

<b>LT3</b>	11	35		10	36	9	+	+	-
<b>LT4</b>	7	43		13	34	3	+	+	-
<b>LT5</b>	12	13	18	2	2	49	4	-	-
<b>LT6/1</b>		15		31	52	2	-	-	+
<b>LT7</b>		17	23		4	55	2	+	+
<b>LT8</b>		36	29		5	27	2	+	-

#### 4.2.9 Slovenia

Just one soil is represented coming from Slovenia. There is no significant trend to be described.

**Figure 11.** Detail of clay fraction prepared on glass slides of the soil sample from Slovenia



**Table 17.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Slovenia

ID	Description
<b>SI1</b>	Illitic–chloritic–kaolinitic clay mineralogy with some MLM chlorite/vermiculite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, calcite, dolomite, and some feldspars

**Table 18.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Slovenia

ID	V	I	C	K	I/V	C/V	Qz	Fsp	Cal	Dol	Gp
<b>SI1</b>		52	12	12		4	19	1	+	+	-

#### 4.2.10 Estonia

Estonia soils have a marqued vermiculite clay component that seems to be characteristic of northern soils in Europe.

**Figure 12.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Estonia



**Table 19.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Estonia

ID	Description
EE1	Clay mineralogy composed of illite, chlorite, vermiculite, and MLM chlorite/vermiculite, containing quartz, calcite, gypsum, and feldspars as non-clay minerals
EE2	Vermiculitic sample with MLM illite/vermiculite, MLM chlorite/vermiculite, less illite and chlorite, with quartz, calcite, and feldspars as non-clay minerals
EE3	Vermiculite dominated clay mineralogy with MLM chlorite/vermiculite or HIV, and some MLM illite/vermiculite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, calcite, and feldspars

**Table 20.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Estonia

ID	V	I	C	K	I/V	C/V	Qz	Fsp	Cal	Dol	Gp
EE1	9	31	20			2	36	3	+		+
EE2	10	29	20			4	3	31	3	+	-
EE3	13	18	30				3	31	5	+	+

#### 4.2.11 The Netherlands

Illite, chlorite and vermiculite dominate in the soils from the Netherlands. Their organic component is represented by the presence of weddellite, and quartz is the main clastic non clay mineral. Relatively soluble minerals are absent.

**Figure 13.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from The Netherlands**Table 21.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from The Netherlands

ID	Description
NL1	Illite and chlorite are the dominating clay minerals with some MLM illite/vermiculite. Minor amount of quartz and calcite as non-clay minerals
NL2	Illite, chlorite and MLM illite/vermiculite clay mineralogy with quartz and calcite
NL3	Illite and small amount of chlorite with quartz, calcite, and weddellite as non-clay minerals
NL4	The dominating clay minerals are illite and chlorite with quartz, calcite, and halite as non-clay minerals
NL5	Illite, chlorite and vermiculite compose the clay fraction with quartz, calcite, gypsum, and precipitated weddellite

**Table 22.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from The Netherlands

ID	V	I	C	I/S	Qz	Fsp	Fl	Gp	Wed
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<b>NL1</b>	51	17	5	24	2	+	+	-
<b>NL2</b>	44	15	3	36	2	+	-	-
<b>NL3</b>	5	4	2	90		+	+	+
<b>NL4</b>	48	17		33	2	+	+	-
<b>NL5</b>	5	37	22		34	2	+	+

#### 4.2.12 Denmark

Denmark soil clay minerals are diverse with predominant illite and chlorite. Also, vermiculite HIV is present in high amounts in one soil with important evidence of Al-hydroxide interlayering. Quartz dominates the soil mineralogy.

**Figure 14.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Denmark



**Table 23.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Denmark

ID	Description
<b>DK1</b>	Illitic-chloritic clay mineralogy with some MLM illite/smectite or illite vermiculite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, calcite, and feldspars
<b>DK2</b>	Clay mineralogy is composed of illite, chlorite, less MLM illite/vermiculite and MLM chlorite/vermiculite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, calcite, gypsum, and feldspars
<b>DK3</b>	Illitic-chloritic clay mineralogy with quartz, calcite, gypsum, and feldspars as non-clay minerals
<b>DK4</b>	This sample did not produce clay fraction at all. According to the XRD pattern of the bulk soil sample it is composed almost entirely of quartz (90%), with 10% feldspars (plagioclase and K-feldspar), without any phyllosilicate
<b>DK5</b>	Vermiculitic clay mineralogy, with vermiculite showing hydroxy-interlayering or chlorite interstratification, and containing MLM illite/vermiculite (50:50%), and some illite and quartz and feldspars as non-clay minerals
<b>DK6</b>	Clay mineralogy is composed of illite, chlorite, some MLM illite/vermiculite and MLM chlorite/vermiculite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, calcite, gypsum, and feldspars

**Table 24.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Denmark

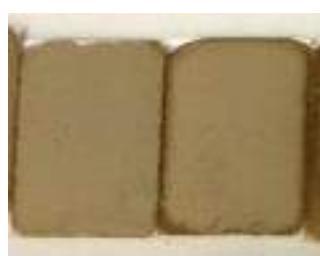
ID	I	C	I/V	C/V	Qz	Fsp	Cal	Gp
<b>DK1</b>	29	15	4		46	5	+	-
<b>DK2</b>	20	18	1	2	53	5	+	+
<b>DK3</b>	20	17			55	8	+	+

<b>DK4</b>					100		
<b>DK5</b>	24	21	22	29	4	+	+
<b>DK6</b>	43	8	10	34	5	+	+

#### 4.2.13 Latvia

Latvia, Ireland and Slovaquia soils are more or less similar to the grey colour soils presented previously. The small number of samples in these zones did not allow to consider the description of some characteristic features. Illite is the most abundant clay mineral in all these soils.

**Figure 15.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Latvia



**Table 25.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Latvia

ID	Description
<b>LV1</b>	Illitic-chloritic clay mineralogy, chlorite showing some vermiculite interstratification, with quartz, feldspars, and calcite as non-clay minerals
<b>LV2</b>	Chloritic-illitic clay mineralogy, with quartz, feldspars, and calcite as non-clay minerals

**Table 26.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Latvia

ID	I	C	C/V	Qz	Fsp	Cal	Gp
<b>LV1</b>	49	21	5	24	1	+	-
<b>LV2</b>	21	26		50	3	+	-

#### 4.2.14 Ireland

Just one soil is represented coming from Irland. There is no significant trend to be described.

**Figure 16.** Detail of clay fraction prepared on glass slides of the soil sample from Ireland



**Table 27.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Ireland

ID	Description
IE1	Clay fraction dominated by non-clay minerals, quartz, and Mg-calcite. Clay minerals are poorly crystallised illite and kaolinite and/or chlorite

**Table 28.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Ireland

ID	I	K	Qz	Fsp	Cal	Gp
IE1	22	16	62	0	+	+

#### 4.2.15 Slovakia

**Figure 17.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Slovakia**Table 29.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Slovakia

ID	Description
SK1	Predominating clay mineral is illite, with less chlorite and MLM illite/smectite (R0, 60% illitic component). Quartz, calcite, and dolomite are present as non-clay minerals
SK2	Illitic and MLM illite/smectitic (R0, 70-75% swelling component) clay mineralogy with less kaolinite, and quartz, calcite, and feldspars as non-clay minerals
SK3	Illitic-kaolinitic clay mineralogy with calcite and quartz
SK4	Clay mineralogy is dominated by MLM illite/smectite (R0, 60% swelling component) and illite, with less chlorite and kaolinite. Non-clay minerals present are quartz, calcite, and feldspars

**Table 30.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Slovakia

ID	I	C	K	I/S	Qz	Fsp	Cal	Gp
SK1	46	17		14	22	0	+	-
SK2	41		12	12	31	4	+	-
SK3	51		19		25	5	+	-
SK4	23	7	8	15	42	5	+	+

#### 4.2.16 Portugal

Illite is the clay mineral dominant in Portugal soils and kaolinite/smectite is present in significant amounts, differentiated to the vermiculitic soils found more to the north of Europe. The rose colour of the slides evidence a small quantity of iron oxides to be present. Quartz is the main accessory mineral with feldspars present significantly.

**Figure 18.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Portugal



**Table 31.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Portugal

ID	Description
PT1	The dominant clay minerals are illite and vermiculite. Non-clay minerals are quartz, gypsum and some calcite and halite
PT2	Illitic and chloritic clay mineralogy. The clay fraction contains quartz and gypsum
PT3	The dominating clay minerals are smectite, MLM illite/smectite, discrete illite and MLM kaolinite/smectite. The non-clay minerals are quartz and calcite
PT4	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are MLM kaolinite/smectite with quartz and calcite as non-clay minerals
PT5	Illite, MLM illite/smectite and MLM kaolinite/smectite dominated clay fraction with calcite and quartz
PT6	Very poor clay fraction with kaolinite. The non-clay minerals are quartz, calcite, and halite
PT7	Illite, MLM kaolinite/smectite and MLM illite/smectite dominated clay mineralogy, with calcite and quartz
PT8	The dominating clay minerals are discrete illite, kaolinite and MLM chlorite/vermiculite. The non-clay minerals are quartz, calcite, and halite
PT9	Illitic-kaolinitic clay mineralogy with quartz, calcite, and halite as non-clay minerals
PT10	The dominating clay minerals are discrete illite, smectite and some MLM kaolinite/smectite. The clay fraction contains quartz, calcite, and halite as non-clay minerals
PT11	Illite dominated clay mineralogy with kaolinite Quartz as non-clay mineral
PT12	The dominating clay minerals are illite, kaolinite, MLM chlorite/smectite and MLM illite/smectite. The non-clay minerals are quartz and calcite

**Table 32.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Portugal

ID	S	V	I	C	Sep	K	I/S	C/V	K/S	Qz	Crs	Fsp	Cal	Gp
<b>PT1</b>		15	35						45		5	-	+	
<b>PT2</b>			27	36	17				20			-	+	
<b>PT3</b>	31		27			28			8	7		+	+	
<b>PT4</b>									72	18	10	+	+	
<b>PT5</b>		40				4			33	13	9	+	+	
<b>PT6</b>									20	72	8	+	+	
<b>PT7</b>		48				4			28	18	2	+	+	
<b>PT8</b>		50				16		12		20	2	+	-	
<b>PT9</b>		35				21			37		6	+	-	
<b>PT10</b>		30				34			5	23	8	+	-	
<b>PT11</b>		80				5				15		-	-	
<b>PT12</b>		17				22	5		35	16	5	+	+	

#### 4.2.17 Sweden

Illite is always present with vermiculite and several MLM with chlorite and vermiculite components in the clay fraction of the Sweden soils. Smectite and kaolinite are not represented significantly. Feldspars are important no clay minerals in these soils in comparison with other countries. Anyway, quartz is the main mineral in the non-clay mineral fraction. Gypsum is detected elsewhere and calcite is scarce. Gypsum is soluble and in the case of the XRD detection can have overlapping of peaks if there exist chlorite-like hydroxide interlayering. The presence of Gypsum in this humid regions soils must be confirmed.

**Figure 19.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Sweden



**Table 33.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Sweden

ID	Description
SE1	The dominating clay minerals is vermiculite, some HIV, illite and chlorite, with quartz, feldspars, gypsum, and calcite as non-clay minerals
SE2	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample is illite, associated with some chlorite and with quartz, calcite, gypsum, feldspars, and organic matter
SE3	Organic matter rich sample with very few clay minerals, dominated by non-clay minerals: higher amount of quartz, feldspars, and gypsum.
SE4	Vermiculite, MLM chlorite/vermiculite or HIV, and illite are the dominating clay minerals with gypsum, quartz, calcite and probably talc.
SE5	Vermiculite and chlorite are the dominating clay minerals with gypsum, quartz, and calcite as non-clay minerals
SE6	Vermiculite, illite and MLM illite/vermiculite clay mineralogy with quartz, calcite, and organic matter
SE7	The dominating clay minerals are illite and MLM illite/vermiculite with quartz, calcite, gypsum, amphibole, and organic matter
SE8	The characteristic clay minerals in the sample are illite, kaolinite and MLM illite/vermiculite with quartz
SE9	Extremely poor clay fraction. Some illite with gypsum, quartz, and organic matter
SE10	Illite and vermiculite dominated clay mineralogy, with MLM illite vermiculite. Gypsum and quartz. The vermiculite partially expanded after Na-citrate extraction suggesting hydroxy interlayered vermiculite (HIV).
SE11	The dominating clay minerals are chlorite, illite, MLM illite/vermiculite and some HIV with gypsum, quartz, feldspars, and halite
SE12	Vermiculite and MLM illite/vermiculite clay mineralogy with high amount of halite, quartz, and calcite
SE13	Vermiculitic clay mineralogy, with vermiculite, MLM illite/vermiculite, and illite, with quartz, calcite, feldspars, gypsum, and halite
SE14	The dominating clay minerals are illite, vermiculite, chlorite and less MLM illite/vermiculite or hydrobiotite, with amphibole, quartz, feldspars, and halite
SE15	The dominating clay minerals are illite and MLM illite/smectite, with less kaolinite or MLM kaolinite/smectite with quartz and calcite as non-clay
SE16	Extremely poor clay fraction. Some illite with gypsum and quartz
SE17	Extremely poor clay fraction. Some vermiculite with quartz
SE18	Vermiculite, illite and chlorite dominated clay fraction. Quartz, halite, calcite, and gypsum as non-clay minerals
SE19	Illite and MLM illite/vermiculite dominated clay mineralogy, with less vermiculite, MLM and MLM chlorite/vermiculite with quartz, feldspars and weddellite
SE20	The dominating clay minerals are vermiculite, MLM illite/vermiculite with amphibole, feldspars, quartz, and halite
SE21	Illite dominated clay fraction with quartz and organic matter
SE22	The dominating clay fraction is MLM illite/smectite (50-60% swelling component) and/or MLM illite/vermiculite, illite, chlorite with quartz and gypsum
SE23	Vermiculite dominated clay fraction with quartz, feldspars, gypsum, calcite, and halite

**Table 34.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Sweeden

ID	V	I	C	Tlc	K	I/S	I/V	I/C/V	C/V	HIV	HydroB	K/S	Qz	Fsp	Amp	Cal	Gp
SE1	20	9	7	5					1			49	8		+	+	
SE2		51	6									35	7		+	+	
SE3												79	21		-	+	
SE4	23	22		3					10			37	6		+	+	
SE5	48	0								17		26	8		+	+	
SE6	33	30					5					22	10		-	-	
SE7		24					3					60	12	1	-	+	
SE8		44				11		4				33	8		+	+	
SE9		30										56	14		+	+	
SE10		27					15			25		30	4		+	+	
SE11		23	23					4	8			38	4		-	+	
SE12	25						7					50	18		+	+	
SE13	13	15						10				47	15		+	+	
SE14	7	28	14						4			26	18	3	-	+	
SE15		24				7	18				8	39	4		+	+	
SE16		10										70	20		-	+	
SE17	14											59	27		-	-	
SE18	18	22	5									47	8		+	+	
SE19	7	33	4				13		4			32	7		-	-	
SE20	10						4					46	40		+	+	
SE21		100													-	-	
SE22		13	4			30	16					33	4		-	+	
SE23	36											44	20		-	+	

#### 4.2.18 United Kingdom

Illite and kaolinite dominate the clay mineralogy in the United Kingdom soils. There is a wide variety of mineralogical compositions including iron oxyhydroxides and typical ore minerals as barite and fluorite. Quartz is abundant in the non-clay minerals content. Sometimes there are very low amounts of clay in the analyzed samples.

**Figure 20.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from United Kingdom



**Table 35.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from United Kingdom

ID	Description
UK1	Quite weak clay mineralogy with kaolinite and maybe trace MLM (I/S or I/V). Significant amount of quartz, less calcite, gypsum, and halite as non-clay minerals
UK2	Predominating clay minerals are kaolinite and illite, with some MLM illite/vermiculite or illite/smectite, and trace of chlorite interstratification with vermiculite or smectite. Significant quartz content and some calcite.
UK3	Illite, kaolinite and MLM illite/smectite dominated clay mineralogy, with quartz and calcite as non-clay minerals
UK4	Clay fraction containing only some kaolinite as clay mineral. Significant amount of goethite and quartz, some gypsum, and feldspars
UK5	Kaolinite dominated clay mineralogy with some illite, MLM illite/vermiculite (appr. 50:50%), and MLM chlorite/vermiculite or HIV
UK6	Clay fraction dominated by non-clay minerals: calcite, quartz, goethite, and gypsum. Clay minerals are kaolinite and MLM illite/smectite containing the components in a various range
UK7	Weakly diffracting clay minerals: MLM chlorite/vermiculite or HIV, some chlorite and illite. Quartz and gypsum as non-clay mineral
UK8	Organic matter rich sample with very few clay minerals (illite and kaolinite) and significant amount of quartz. According to the XRPD pattern of the bulk soil, the sample contains 88% quartz, 7% feldspars (plagioclase and K-feldspar), 3% chlorite and 2% mica
UK9	High amount of non-clay minerals: quartz, calcite, gypsum, halite, and trace of feldspar. Clay minerals are kaolinite, illite and trace of MLM illite/smectite. Based on the XRPD analysis of the bulk soil, the sample contains 78% quartz, 12% feldspars (plagioclase and K-feldspar), 5% chlorite and 5% mica
UK10	Not a typical soil composition with predominating barite, fluorite, and quartz, with some kaolinite, illite and trace of MLM illite/smectite. According to the XRPD pattern of the bulk soil sample, it does not contain clay minerals, it is composed of 48% quartz, 16% barite, 23% fluorite, 6% feldspar, 5% chlorite and 2% mica
UK11	Weakly crystallised clay minerals illite, kaolinite and MLM illite/smectite. Non-clay minerals are quartz and calcite (Mg-calcite too). However, according to the XRD analysis of the bulk soil the sample does not contain calcite, it is composed of 90% quartz, 7% feldspar, 2% micallite and less than 1% kaolinite

<b>UK12</b>	High amount of non-clay minerals: quartz, calcite, gypsum, halite, and feldspars. Clay minerals are chlorite and trace of illite
<b>UK13</b>	Chloritic–illitic clay mineralogy with quartz and feldspar as non-clay minerals
<b>UK14</b>	Vermiculitic clay mineralogy, vermiculite containing partial OH-interstratification, some MLM illite/vermiculite and discrete illite, with quartz as non-clay mineral

**Table 36.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from United Kingdom

ID	V	I	C	K	I/S	I/V	C/V	Qz	Fsp	Brt	Gth	Fl	Cal	Gp
<b>UK1</b>				43	14			43					+	+
<b>UK2</b>	26		29		2	5	36	2					+	-
<b>UK3</b>	32		31	18				18	2				+	-
<b>UK4</b>	4		18					53	10	15			+	+
<b>UK5</b>	15		42		10	10	22	1					+	+
<b>UK6</b>			19	15				54		12			+	+
<b>UK7</b>	34	25					10	27	5				+	+
<b>UK8</b>	6		6					88					-	-
<b>UK9</b>	25		25	15				32	3				+	+
<b>UK10</b>	17		17	5				47		13			-	+
<b>UK11</b>	32		24	5				39					+	+
<b>UK12</b>	21	10	16					41	13				+	+
<b>UK13</b>	34	54						12					-	-
<b>UK14</b>	20	23				10	6	41					-	+

#### 4.2.19 Austria

Illite and chlorite are the most abundant clay minerals in the soils from Austria. There are few samples, so the representation of soil mineralogy is not significant. Quartz is the main non-clay mineral represented.

**Figure 21.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Austria



**Table 37.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Austria

ID	Description
AT1	Illitic–chloritic clay mineralogy with quartz, calcite, and feldspars as non-clay minerals
AT2	Illite, kaolinite, MLM illite/smectite and MLM chlorite/smectite compose the clay fraction with quartz
AT3	The dominating clay minerals are illite, less chlorite, and small amount of smectite with Mg-calcite, feldspar, quartz, and gypsum as non-clay minerals
AT4	Clay mineralogy dominated by smectite, illite, MLM illite/smectite, MLM chlorite/vermiculite, kaolinite and chlorite with quartz
AT5	The dominating clay minerals are illite and chlorite with quartz, calcite, and halite as non-clay fraction.
AT6	Chlorite and illite compose the clay fraction with gypsum, amphibole, and quartz as non-clay minerals.

**Table 38.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Austria

ID	S	I	C	K	I/S	C/S	Qz	Fsp	Amp	Cal	Gp
AT1	39	26					33	2		+	+
AT2	39		19	14	8	19	19	1		+	+
AT3	3	36	15				40	5		+	+
AT4	7	34	15	14	8	3	18	1		-	-
AT5		62	22				14	2		+	-
AT6		42	28				20	6	4	+	+

#### 4.2.20 Czechia

Clay minerals from the Czechia show the grey-dark grey aspect of oriented slides. Illite and its MLM dominated clay mineralogy, although Vermiculite components with HIV characteristics are frequent. This is typical of highly weathered horizons in humid regions. This is consistent also with quartz predominance in the non-clay mineralogical part.

**Figure 22.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from Czechia

**Table 39.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Czechia

ID	Description
CZ1	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are kaolinite, illite and MLM illite/smectite with quartz, feldspars, gypsum, and calcite as non-clay minerals.
CZ2	Predominant clay minerals are smectite and MLM illite/smectite (50-55% swelling component), with discrete illite and kaolinite. The clay fraction contains some quartz.
CZ3	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are illite, chlorite and MLM chlorite/vermiculite or HIV. The non-clay minerals are quartz and gypsum.
CZ4	Illite, MLM chlorite/vermiculite, MLM illite/vermiculite or MLM illite/smectite dominated clay fraction. The clay fraction contains high amount of calcite and some quartz.
CZ5	The dominating clay minerals are illite, MLM illite/vermiculite, MLM chlorite/vermiculite, illite and MLM illite/chlorite/vermiculite. The clay fraction contains high amount of gypsum, calcite, feldspars, and quartz as non-clay minerals.
CZ6	Illitic and kaolinitic clay fraction with MLM illite/vermiculite and gypsum, calcite, and quartz as non-clay.
CZ7	Dominantly kaolinitic and illitic clay mineralogy, but with significant MLM illite/vermiculite content. The clay fraction contains quartz, calcite, and gypsum.
CZ8	Illite, kaolinite and MLM illite/vermiculite dominated clay mineralogy. The sample contains high amount of calcite, quartz, gypsum, and some halite.
CZ9	The dominating clay minerals are kaolinite, illite and MLM illite/smectite with quartz, calcite as non-clay minerals.
CZ10	Kaolinitic clay mineralogy with chlorite, illite, MLM illite/vermiculite and illite/HIV. The sample contains high amount of quartz as non-clay minerals.
CZ11	Kaolinite, smectite and illite/vermiculite dominated clay fraction with high amount of quartz.
CZ12	Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are vermiculite, HIV and illite with high amount of gypsum and quartz, calcite as non-clay.
CZ13	NO DATA. Removed from the analysis
CZ14	The dominating clay minerals are chlorite, illite, HIV and MLM illite/vermiculite with high amount of quartz and some feldspars and calcite.

**Table 40.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Czechia

ID	S	V	I	C	K	I/S	I/V	I/C/V	C/V	Qz	Fsp	Cal	Gp
<b>CZ13</b>													
CZ1			22		20	12			44	3	+	+	
CZ2	14		27		9	35			15		-	-	
CZ3		48	17					15	19	1	-	+	
CZ4		38				16		25	19	2	+	-	
CZ5		35				10	+	21	30	4	+	+	
CZ6		53		18	5				23	1	+	+	
CZ7		27		40	3				27	3	+	+	
CZ8		35		17	5				40	3	+	+	

<b>CZ9</b>	40	28	14			18		+	-
<b>CZ10</b>	15	9	38	5	+	31	3	-	+
<b>CZ11</b>	11	13		5		66	5	-	-
<b>CZ12</b>	26	17			15	39	3	+	+
<b>CZ13</b>				NO Data					
<b>CZ14</b>	10	15	23		4		44	3	+

#### 4.2.21 Belgium

There is just one sample from Belgium soils with a high expansive clay components. This type of clay is not very abundant generally in soil clay mineralogy of humid regions, and maybe is not very representative.

**Figure 23.** Detail of clay fraction prepared on glass slides of the soil sample from Belgium



**Table 41.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from Belgium

ID	Description
<b>BE1</b>	Typical expanding clay. Smectite dominated clay mineralogy, with MLM illite/smectite (R0, 75% swelling component), and with less illite, kaolinite and chlorite.

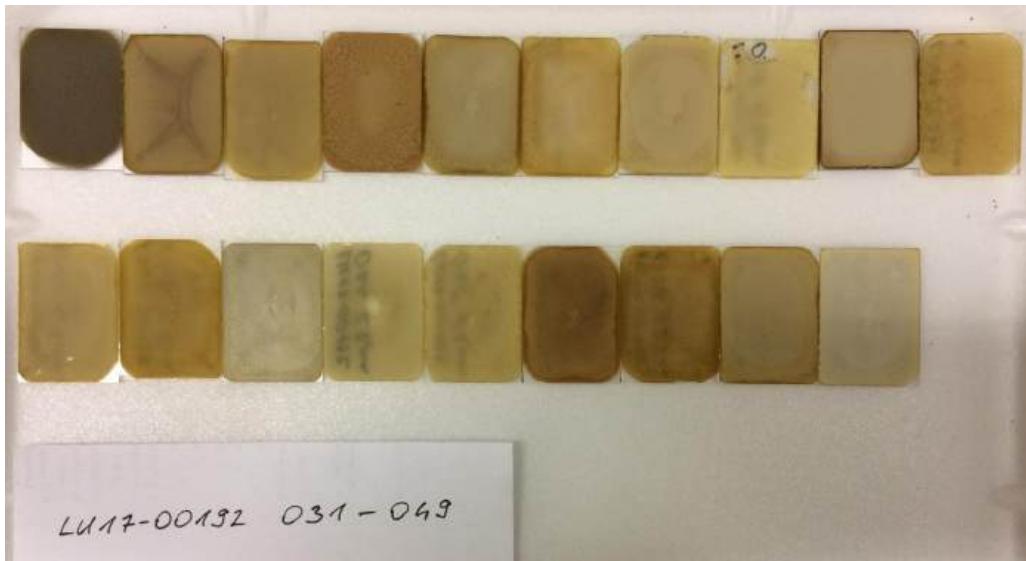
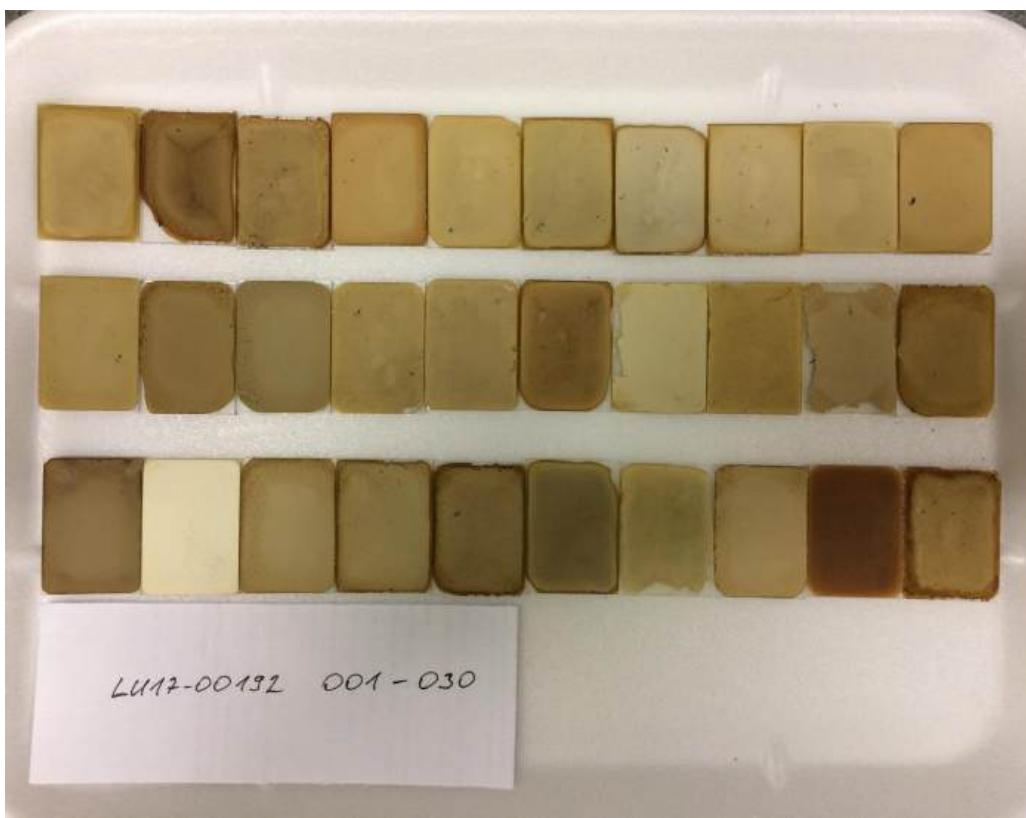
**Table 42.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from Belgium

ID	S	I	C	K	I/S	Qz	Cal	Gp
<b>BE1</b>	14	23	15	4	24	20	-	-

#### 4.2.22 France

A wide variety of soils have been sampled from France. Cream or orange cream first two series in Figure 24 are rich in illite and kaolinite components with the presence of calcite and sometimes goethite. Calcite is detected but no quantified in many samples. The third series is more illite-smectite with higher OM contents. It is curious how in this grey samples vermiculite or HIV vermiculite is not present. Non clay minerals are represented by quartz, feldspars, and calcite, with minor gypsum o saline soil representation containing halite.

**Figure 24.** Details of clay fractions prepared on glass slides of the soil samples from France



**Table 43.** Description of the clay mineralogy of the soil samples from France

ID	Description
FR1	Illite, kaolinite dominant clay, poorly crystallised. High amount of non-clay minerals: Quartz, calcite. Calcite seems to be covered by clay, organic matter (OM), iron oxides and thus has not shown reaction for acetic acid. This problem occurred in several samples
FR2	Very high amount of non-clay minerals (quartz, halite) and OM. The presence of halite despite of several washing is curious. This problem occurred in several samples
FR3	Illite, kaolinite dominant clay, poorly crystallised. High amount of non-clay minerals: Quartz
FR4	Illite, kaolinite dominant clay, poorly crystallised. High amount of non-clay minerals: Quartz, calcite
FR5	Dominantly illite/smectite mixed layer with less than 30% swelling component. High amount of covered calcite
FR6	Dominantly kaolinite
FR7	Illite, kaolinite dominant clay, poorly crystallised. High amount of non-clay minerals: Quartz, calcite
FR8	Illite, kaolinite dominant clay, poorly crystallised. High amount of non-clay minerals: Quartz, calcite
FR9	Two kinds of illite/smectite, a smectite rich and illite rich phase, illite, kaolinite
FR10	Very high amount of non-clay minerals (Quartz, calcite) and OM. Should be repeated.
FR11	The partial heat stability (12 Å at 550 °C) of the 14 Å phase suggests chlorite/smectite (vermiculite) (Chl/Sm) mixed layer mineral. It could be hydroxy interlayered vermiculite (HIV), but the presence of calcite, gypsum, halite indicates higher pH, where HIV does not form
FR12	Kaolinite and illite with OM
FR13	Kaolinite and illite with gypsum, calcite, and halite
FR14	Kaolinite and illite with calcite
FR15	Kaolinite, illite and illite/smectite with 70% swelling component
FR16	Illite/smectite, high amount of OM
FR17	Dominantly illite, I/S with some smectite
FR18	Kaolinite and disordered I/S (30-50% Sm) with high amount of goethite
FR19	Kaolinite, illite, disordered I/S (50-70% Sm), with some chlorite, and C/S or HIV
FR20	Illite and kaolinite with high amount of OM and quartz, some calcite
FR21	Illite, I/S and vermiculite (slightly or non-swelling 14 Å, which collapse to 10 Å upon heating), some kaolinite
FR22	Relatively well crystallised pure illite and kaolinite
FR23	Illite, vermiculite, I/S, kaolinite and a 9.3 Å phase (probably zeolite, talc and/or kerolite).
FR24	Illite, kaolinite with some vermiculite. Calcite, feldspars
FR25	Vermiculite, kaolinite, illite
FR26	Dominantly illite and I/S (an illite rich and a smectitic), with some C/S
FR27	Illite and I/S (15-20% swelling component) and kaolinite with some goethite and calcite.
FR28	Dominantly kaolinite with some illite, I/S, goethite, calcite
FR29	Dominantly kaolinite with some illite, I/S, goethite, calcite, and gypsum
FR30	High amount of OM, with kaolinite, illite, I/S and smectite
FR31	Kaolinite, smectite (or vermiculite) with gypsum, halite, OM
FR32	Kaolinite, illite with gypsum, OM
FR33	Kaolinite, illite, I/S with gypsum, calcite, OM
FR34	Kaolinite, talc and/or kerolite with halite, calcite

- FR35** OM, calcite rich with kaolinite, illite
- FR36** OM, calcite rich
- FR37** Dominantly illite, I/S, with kaolinite
- FR38** Dominantly illite, I/S, with kaolinite
- FR39** Dominantly illitic with chlorite, vermiculite, and kaolinite.
- FR40** Talc, probably kerolite, illite with high amount of OM and probably halite, calcite
- FR41** Kaolinite and/or kaolinite/smectite mixed layer, I/S, smectite, calcite
- FR42** Vermiculite, I/S or I/V, kaolinite with some gypsum and calcite
- FR43** I/S (40-60% smectite component), illite, with kaolinite and some chlorite. Gypsum and calcite
- FR44** Dominantly I/S (15-20% swelling component) and illite
- FR45** Illite, I/S and kaolinite. High amount of OM, calcite
- FR46** Mixed layer illite/smectite, kaolinite and illite, with calcite and quartz as non-clay minerals
- FR47** Small amount of clay minerals, high amount of OM, calcite, halite. Should be repeated.
- FR48** Illite, kaolinite and smectite
- FR49** Mixed layer illite/smectite (60-70% swelling component), illite, with some kaolinite. Calcite and quartz as non-clay minerals.
- FR50** No Data
- FR51** The dominating clay minerals are illite, kaolinite and MLM illite/smectite with calcite and quartz as non-clay minerals.
- FR52** Predominant clay mineral is kaolinite, with less chlorite and illite. Quartz, gypsum, and calcite as non-clay minerals.
- FR53** Kaolinite, chlorite, MLM illite/smectite, illite and MLM chlorite/smectite dominated clay fraction with quartz and some calcite.
- FR54** The dominating clay minerals are kaolinite, MLM illite/smectite and illite with calcite and quartz as non-clay minerals.
- FR55** Illitic –chloritic clay mineralogy with gypsum, quartz, and calcite.
- FR56** The dominating clay minerals are chlorite, MLM chlorite/vermiculite, vermiculite, illite, kaolinite with quartz and calcite.
- FR57** Illite, chlorite, MLM illite/vermiculite, vermiculite, MLM chlorite/vermiculite dominated clay fraction with quartz and feldspars.
- FR58** Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are kaolinite, MLM illite/smectite, illite, chlorite with high amount calcite and quartz.
- FR59** Characteristic clay minerals in the sample are kaolinite, MLM illite/smectite, illite, chlorite with calcite and quartz
- FR60** The dominating clay minerals are illite, chlorite and kaolinite with gypsum and quartz.
- FR61** The dominating clay minerals are kaolinite, illite, chlorite, MLM illite/vermiculite and MLM chlorite/vermiculite with quartz.
- FR62** Kaolinite, chlorite, illite dominated clay mineralogy with some MLM illite/smectite, with gypsum and quartz.
- FR63** Illitic clay mineralogy with some MLM illite/smectite, and kaolinite, with calcite and quartz.
- FR64** Illite, kaolinite and chlorite dominated clay fraction, with less MLM mica/chlorite or MLM illite/vermiculite, but it can be also sepiolite, with calcite and quartz as non-clay minerals.
- FR65** The dominating clay are kaolinite, illite, chlorite and vermiculite with quartz.
- FR66** Illitic clay mineralogy with less kaolinite and chlorite, with quartz.
- FR67** The dominating clay minerals are kaolinite, vermiculite and illite with gypsum, quartz, and calcite.

**Table 44.** Semi-quantitative mineral composition of the clay fraction of the soil samples from France

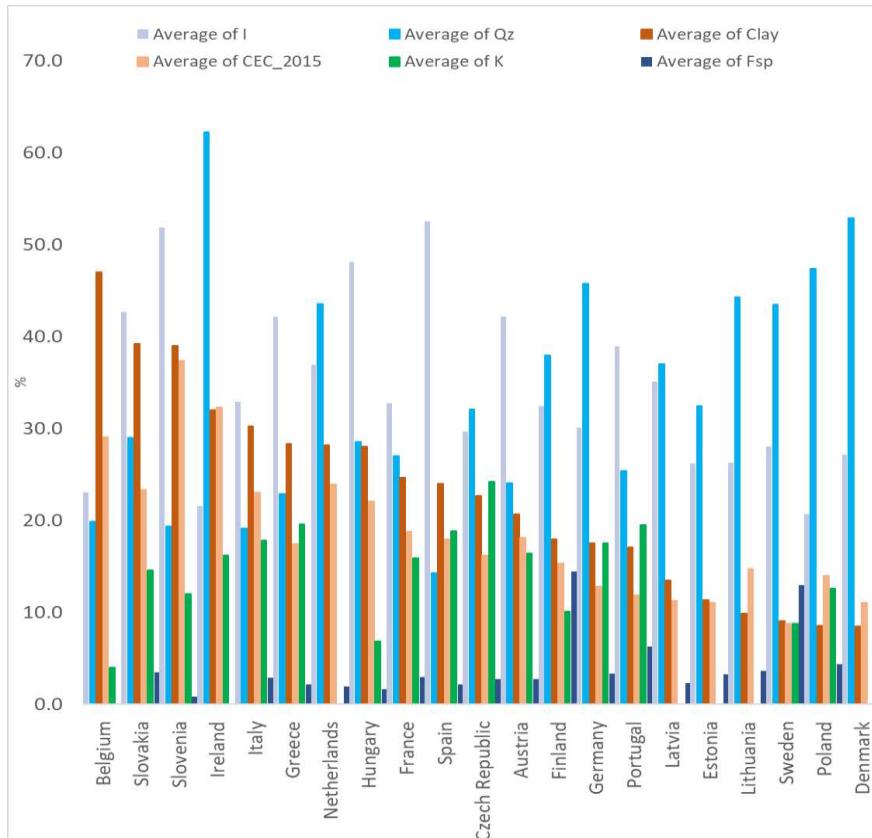
ID	S	V	I	C	Tlc + Sep	Plg	K	I/S	I/V	C/S	C/V	K/S	Qz	Crs	Fsp	Cal	Gp
<b>FR1</b>	0	0	25	0	0		7	5					57		6		
<b>FR2</b>	0	0	25	0	0		11	15					49		0		
<b>FR3</b>	0	0	13	0	0		6	10					68		3		
<b>FR4</b>	0	14	15	0	0		0	8					60		3		
<b>FR5</b>	0	0	29	0	0		11	35					25		0		
<b>FR6</b>	0	0	19	0	0		28	20					33		0		
<b>FR7</b>	0	0	36	12	0		0	22					27		3		
<b>FR8</b>	0	0	16	0	0		8	13					61		2		
<b>FR9</b>	9	0	32	4	0		9	29					15		2		
<b>FR10</b>	0	0	35	5	0		5	14					42		0		
<b>FR11</b>	21	21	16	0	0		0	11					25		7		
<b>FR12</b>	0	0	35	0	0		27	10					26		2		
<b>FR13</b>	0	0	16	0	0		8	16					55		5		
<b>FR14</b>	0	0	19	0	0		11	22					36		11		
<b>FR15</b>	0	0	30	0	0		13	29					26		3		
<b>FR16</b>	0	0	20	0	0		8	28					43		2		
<b>FR17</b>	6	0	32	2	0		6	24					27		3		
<b>FR18</b>	9	16	17	0	0		0	23					33		2		
<b>FR19</b>	7	3	29	3	0		8	35					14		1		
<b>FR20</b>	0	0	46	0	0		14	15					25		0		
<b>FR21</b>	3	20	25	0	0		13	29					15		0		
<b>FR22</b>	0	0	75	0	0		20	0					5		0		
<b>FR23</b>	5	15	20	0	6		15	14					27		2		
<b>FR24</b>	0	5	40	0	0		17	0					33		5		
<b>FR25</b>	2	25	17	0	0		15	7					46		3		
<b>FR26</b>	10	4	58	0	0		0	20					9		0		
<b>FR27</b>	0	0	52	0	0		16	21					11		0		
<b>FR28</b>	0	0	15	0	0		60	9					14		1		
<b>FR29</b>	0	0	28	0	0		50	10					10		1		
<b>FR30</b>	14	0	28	0	0		25	5					15		14		
<b>FR31</b>	18	0	11	0	0		7	0					59		5		
<b>FR32</b>	0	0	25	0	0		9	0					59		8		
<b>FR33</b>	0	0	15	0	0		11	41					29		4		
<b>FR34</b>	0	0	30	0	11		30	0					23		7		

<b>FR35</b>	0	0	32	0	0	16	0	49	2
<b>FR36</b>	0	0	56	0	0	19	0	25	0
<b>FR37</b>	0	0	46	0	0	10	12	33	0
<b>FR38</b>	0	0	27	0	0	17	41	15	0
<b>FR39</b>	0	10	47	6	0	6	10	18	3
<b>FR40</b>	0	0	36	0	10	19	0	27	7
<b>FR41</b>	11		31		0		21	18	14
<b>FR42</b>	0	23	0	0	0	26	27	24	0
<b>FR43</b>	0		35	2	0	8	45	8	0
<b>FR44</b>	0		52	0	0	3	40	6	0
<b>FR45</b>	0		34	0	0	12	30	24	0
<b>FR46</b>	0		60	0	0	16	13	12	0
<b>FR47</b>	0		36	0	0		0	44	20
<b>FR48</b>	15		30	0	0	30	5	11	11
<b>FR49</b>	16		29	0	0	9	37	5	4
<b>FR50</b>						No data			
<b>FR51</b>			42	5		29	9	15	+ -
<b>FR52</b>			28	6		19		43	4 + +
<b>FR53</b>			46	7		17	8	5	18 + -
<b>FR54</b>			43			31	13		13 + +
<b>FR55</b>			41	35				22	2 + +
<b>FR56</b>	8	25	9			17		3	29 2 - +
<b>FR57</b>	12	43	26				7	10	2 - +
<b>FR58</b>			39	5		35	21		+ +
<b>FR59</b>			49	5		15	6		24 1 + -
<b>FR60</b>			68	9		5			17 1 - +
<b>FR61</b>	12	20				20	22	13	13 - -
<b>FR62</b>	37	20				23	3		17 - +
<b>FR63</b>			61			17	10		13 + +
<b>FR64</b>			34	12		26	10		16 1 + +
<b>FR65</b>	9	28	7			24	6		24 2 - +
<b>FR66</b>			45	14		23			17 1 + +
<b>FR67</b>	9	28				29		32	2 + +

## 5 General discussion

Countries with soil samples below 5 such as Belgium, Estonia, Ireland, Slovakia, Latvia, and Slovenia were not included into the discussion. Potential correlations between some relevant minerals detected by XRD analysis (illite, quartz, feldspars, and kaolinite) were compared to some soil properties such as clay and Cation Exchange Capacity (CEC) and they were split by country (see Figure 25). As already expected, and reported many times as CEC increases clay content increases. Soil properties such as CEC and clay content are inversely related to quartz content. Thus, countries such as Denmark, Poland, Sweden, Lithuania show a high content of quartz and a low content of clay and CEC lower than 15 cmolc/kg. In general terms no clear relations could be met between clay minerals such as illite and kaolinite and cation exchange capacity. Some authors already reported (Ma et al. 1999) that permanent negative charges due to isomorphous substitution of  $\text{Al}^{3+}$  for  $\text{Si}^{4+}$  are not largely affecting on cation exchange capacity and only pH-dependent substitutions on the edges and on the basal ( $\text{OH}$ ) surfaces of the kaolinites are contributing on CEC. Typical low CEC rate around 10 cmolc/kg can be found in soils with kaolinite as the predominant clay mineral. In conversely way, a high net charge due to isomorphic substitutions is reported for Illite (around 2) and it should be expected that good correlations were found with CEC. This trend could be found but most of the time non-exchange potassium is place between illite layers and CEC is dropped, mainly in agricultural soils where potassium is usually added as mineral fertilizers. Other soil properties such as pH, gypsum and carbonates should be analysed as well.

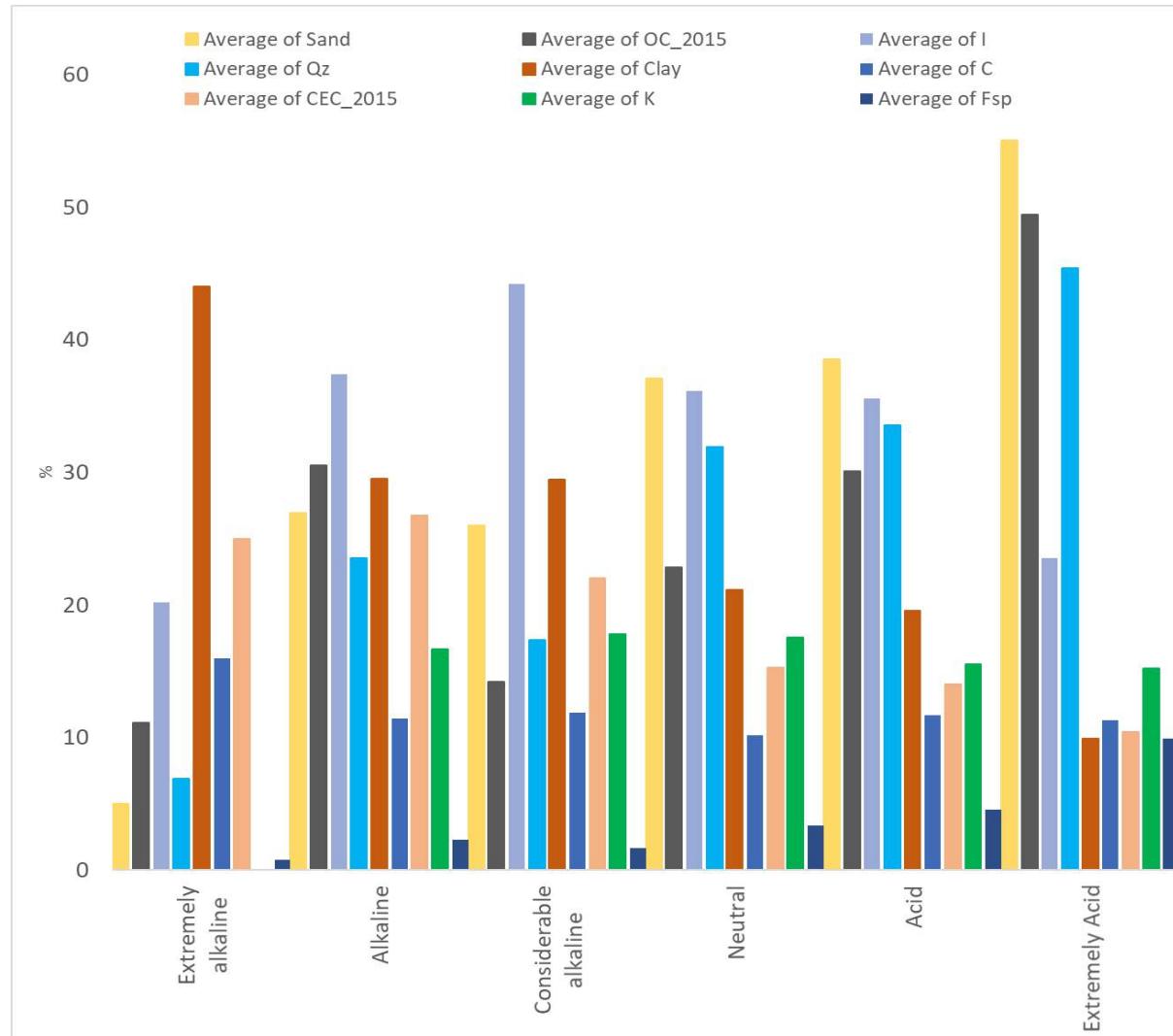
**Figure 25.** Distribution of some soil properties by country



Correlations between soil acidity and clay content is found (see figure 25). Additionally, as soil pH values decreases CEC also decreases. It is related to the content of sand and quartz that increase in acid soils.

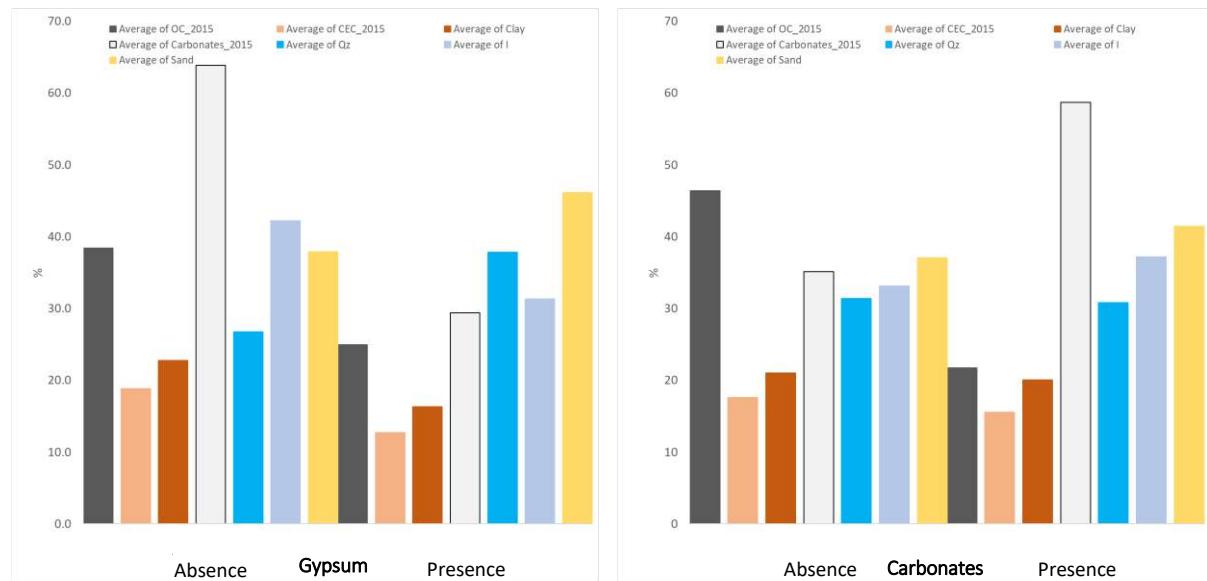
It is concluding that clay content is the main soil property affecting on CEC as extremely acid soils have the largest content of soil organic carbon (around 50%), but CEC is around 10 cmolc/Kg. On the other hand, extremely- and alkaline soils (with pH above 7.5) with clay content above 30% show a CEC higher than 25 cmolc/kg.

**Figure 26.** Distribution of soil properties and main clay minerals along pH interval. Soils with pH values  $\leq 5.0$  were labelled as extremely acid, with  $5.0 \leq \text{pH} \leq 6.0$  as Acid soils, with  $6.0 \leq \text{pH} \leq 7.0$  as neutral soils, with  $7.0 \leq \text{pH} \leq 7.5$  as Alkaline soils, with  $7.5 \leq \text{pH} \leq 8.5$  as Considerable alkaline soils, and with  $\text{pH} \geq 8.5$  as Extremely alkaline soils. Units of Soil organic carbon are in g/kg



Other clay minerals such as gypsum and carbonates were qualitatively analyzed (see figure 27). Soil with absence of gypsum show a higher content of carbonates (65%) than those with gypsum. This fact is relevant as gypsum is largely affecting of soil salinity and soils with high content of carbonates are expected to show low salinity. Nevertheless, in many cases compared to humid regions and in the presence of chlorite-like minerals, the presence of gypsum has to be confirmed. Other soil properties as soil organic carbon, clay content and CEC are higher in soils without gypsum. Soils with presence of carbonates show on average a percentage of carbonates around 6% and a content of organic carbon lower than those without carbonates as clay minerals

**Figure 27.** Distribution of soil properties and clay minerals by presence/absence of Gypsum (left) and Carbonates (right). Units of Soil organic carbon are in g/kg



Added interesting patterns were identified when 2:1 clay mineral such as smectites were analysed as well as the mixed-layer minerals such us I/S, I/V, C/S and C/V minerals (see figure 26). Similar trend between CEC and I/S content was detected along pH interval. Higher content of I/S mixed-layer minerals can be found in soils with pH values above 7.5. No clear correlations could be concluded between 2:1 clay minerals such as smectite and vermiculite and soil pH. It could be explained as they have a permanent negative layer charge regardless soil pH. Additionally, all soil samples corresponding to the topsoil layer (first 20 cm) and further information could be analysed whether subsoil samples were taken.

Matrix with Pearson correlation coefficients are shown in the table 45. Some preliminary findings can be discussed as significant correlation coefficients ( $R > 0.400$ ) were found between clay minerals and soil attributes measured in LUCAS 2015 survey, but more data are needed to confirm them. As clay content increases those quartz (-0.490) and amphibole percentages decrease (-0.414). As silt content increases amphibole percentage (0.637) increases. As sand content increases quartz percentage (0.462) increase. As cation exchange capacity increases from 5 to 25 cmolc kg/1 amphibole percentage (-0.439) decrease from 4 to 0.5% as other clay minerals such as smectite and vermiculite as well as soil attributes as SOC can be more related to more intense weathering processes. Therefore amphibole presence could be indicating soils with low clay content and soils with low reactivity. As vermiculite percentage increases that C/V one (0.602) increases but amphibole percentage (-0.498) decreases as chlorite and vermiculite are weathering products from amphibole. As illite percentage increases that quartz one (-0.555) decreases. As Plagioclase percentage increase that kaolinite one decreases (-0.583) as reported elsewhere (Yuan et al. 2019) but all these correlations can not be profusely discussed as a few data for analysis were available. As kaolinite percentage increase that C/S one (0.425) increases. As I/V percentage increases those C/V (0.664), amphibole (0.949), carbonates (0.551) and magnesium (0.434) ones increases. As C/V percentage increases total chromium (0.486) and nickel (0.542) contents increase. As quartz percentage increase both soil pH in water (-0.501) and soil pH in CaCl<sub>2</sub> (-0.488) decreases. As feldspars percentage increases amphibole content (0.533) increases but both soil pH in water (-0.480) and soil pH in CaCl<sub>2</sub> (-0.488) decrease. As amphibole

percentage increase iron content (0.424) increases. Preliminary findings confirm the close correlations between clay mineralogy and soil properties and therefore the relevance in considering clay mineralogy as part of the soil monitoring process. Anyway futher investigations should be conducted to confirm these preliminar correlations as additional data are available.

**Table 45.** Pearson correlation coefficients between clay minerals percentage and soil properties from LUCAS 2015 soil database.

	SOC	coarse	Clay	Silt	Sand	CEC	S	V	I	C	Tlc + Sep	Plg	K	I/S	I/V	C/S	C/V	Qz	Fsp	Amp	Lime	N	pHw	pHCaCl2	As	Cd	Co	Cr	Cu	Fe	Mg	Mn	Ni	P_y	Pb	Sb	V			
coarse	0.000																																							
Clay	-0.041	0.080																																						
Silt	-0.055	-0.060	0.286																																					
Sand	0.060	-0.003	-0.742	-0.854																																				
CEC	0.392	0.072	0.588	0.088	-0.379																																			
S	-0.282	-0.059	0.174	-0.160	0.019	0.155																																		
V	0.134	-0.077	-0.406	-0.295	0.376	-0.069	0.302																																	
I	-0.041	0.042	0.224	0.141	-0.224	0.104	-0.338	-0.381																																
C	0.221	-0.031	-0.074	-0.092	0.111	-0.020	0.363	0.358	-0.099																															
Tlc + Sep	0.279	0.026	-0.098	0.181	-0.101	0.089	-0.085	-0.021	-0.007	-0.083																														
Plg	-0.169	0.147	-0.311	-0.548	0.480	-0.753					0.491	0.999																												
K	0.038	0.130	0.010	-0.090	0.062	0.007	-0.210	-0.134	-0.198	-0.090	0.183	-0.583																												
I/S	-0.021	0.025	0.339	0.025	-0.224	0.333	0.074	0.035	-0.344	-0.175	-0.262	-0.487	-0.152																											
I/V	-0.044	-0.033	0.001	-0.221	0.168	0.111	-0.044	-0.057	0.176					0.243																										
C/S	-0.252	0.398	-0.077	-0.126	0.155	-0.115	0.999	-0.309	-0.365					0.425	0.064																									
C/V	0.326	0.070	0.044	-0.120	0.060	0.161	0.602	-0.097	0.373					0.104	-0.252	0.664																								
Qz	0.199	-0.180	-0.490	-0.280	0.462	-0.241	-0.345	0.154	-0.555	0.000	-0.051	-0.532	-0.260	-0.279	-0.240	-0.123	-0.251																							
Fsp	0.146	0.028	-0.328	-0.191	0.302	-0.234	0.149	0.316	-0.312	0.093	0.167	0.607	0.023	-0.216	-0.174	-0.235	-0.041	0.385																						
Amp	-0.004	0.049	-0.414	0.637	-0.035	-0.439	-0.498	-0.168	0.103					0.949	-0.046	-0.145	0.533																							
Lime	-0.130	0.053	0.343	0.123	-0.270	0.203	0.281	-0.191	0.272	-0.062	-0.099	0.280	-0.007	0.208	0.051	-0.18	-0.129	-0.357	-0.172	-0.367																				
N	0.891	-0.013	0.096	0.015	-0.063	0.565	-0.268	0.092	-0.022	0.204	0.246	-0.043	0.020	0.010	0.080	-0.025	0.272	0.130	-0.005	0.014	-0.090																			
pHw	-0.307	0.031	0.503	0.184	-0.400	0.396	0.262	-0.430	0.349	-0.003	-0.065	0.388	0.073	0.251	0.298	-0.023	-0.085	-0.501	-0.480	-0.106	0.519	-0.161																		
pHCaCl2	-0.311	0.019	0.517	0.211	-0.426	0.404	0.211	-0.434	0.333	-0.016	-0.093	0.346	0.069	0.259	0.283	-0.037	-0.100	-0.488	-0.488	-0.035	0.494	-0.139	0.992																	
As	0.026	0.104	0.095	0.100	-0.122	0.083	-0.122	-0.159	0.008	-0.115	-0.088	-0.468	0.237	-0.061	-0.044	0.302	0.077	-0.147	-0.085	0.262	-0.031	0.098	0.004	0.020																
Cd	0.100	0.033	0.009	0.014	-0.015	0.111	-0.106	-0.025	-0.113	-0.018	-0.024	0.639	0.076	-0.074	0.098	-0.103	0.007	0.035	-0.007	-0.076	-0.046	0.143	0.015	0.022	0.204															
Co	-0.037	0.084	0.341	0.260	-0.367	0.202	0.282	-0.139	0.017	0.030	-0.130	-0.909	0.112	0.030	0.077	0.034	0.141	-0.251	0.019	0.234	-0.027	0.044	0.122	0.141	0.381	0.063														
Cr	0.006	-0.008	0.198	0.151	-0.215	0.131	0.019	-0.118	-0.002	-0.007	-0.037	-0.855	0.057	-0.016	0.146	-0.128	0.486	-0.138	-0.063	0.146	-0.027	0.057	0.083	0.092	0.053	0.022	0.366													
Cu	-0.007	0.024	0.291	0.159	-0.270	0.205	0.125	-0.106	0.070	0.172	-0.201	0.121	-0.016	-0.016	0.057	-0.011	0.264	-0.193	-0.109	0.227	0.085	0.061	0.209	0.222	0.158	0.085	0.351	0.193												
Fe	0.033	0.095	0.189	0.171	-0.223	0.176	0.185	-0.114	0.087	0.135	-0.060	-0.624	0.087	-0.024	0.061	0.297	0.120	-0.190	-0.013	0.424	0.004	0.112	0.084	0.099	0.204	0.573	0.221	0.087	0.140											
Mg	-0.062	0.089	0.298	0.143	-0.262	0.196	0.267	0.017	0.151	0.252	-0.170	0.087	-0.018	0.104	0.434	0.045	0.193	-0.297	-0.135	0.116	0.271	-0.021	0.362	0.363	-0.013	0.025	0.183	0.115	0.426	0.183										
Mn	0.012	0.096	0.084	0.083	-0.104	0.157	-0.025	-0.118	0.164	0.034	-0.221	-0.502	0.028	-0.081	0.155	-0.066	0.058	-0.129	-0.153	0.103	0.030	0.119	0.146	0.159	0.216	0.538	0.212	0.071	0.111	0.603	0.081									
Ni	0.004	0.013	0.258	0.109	-0.218	0.178	0.047	-0.140	0.056	0.044	-0.042	-0.385	0.029	-0.034	0.073	-0.186	0.542	-0.153	-0.157	0.146	0.027	-0.059	0.138	0.146	0.050	0.013	0.339	0.824	0.230	0.088	0.144	0.078								
P	0.028	-0.033	0.239	0.184	-0.260	0.144	-0.040	0.012	0.019	0.114	-0.170	0.066	0.044	-0.084	0.108	-0.018	0.096	-0.061	-0.053	0.056	0.026	0.158	0.144	0.164	0.130	0.205	0.261	0.112	0.286	0.280	0.296	0.248	0.117							
Pb	0.076	0.010	0.159	0.216	-0.238	0.109	-0.237	-0.132	-0.028	-0.060	-0.041	-0.797	0.128	-0.051	-0.009	0.061	-0.018	-0.025	-0.139	0.220	-0.089	0.167	0.014	0.043	0.421	0.348	0.305	0.100	0.270	0.213	0.068	0.279	0.062	0.267						
Sb	0.013	0.002	0.143	0.147	-0.181	0.090	-0.091	-0.127	0.047	0.037	-0.058	-0.799	0.120	-0.076	0.063	0.206	0.099	-0.098	-0.154	0.171	-0.003	0.069	0.067	0.076	0.243	0.366	0.202	0.280	0.294	0.187	0.103	0.181	0.270	0.154	0.310					
V	0.018	0.039	0.419	0.239	-0.395	0.299	0.168	-0.094	-0.084	-0.087	-0.010	-0.780	0.164	0.130	0.120	0.083	0.332	-0.187	0.007	0.098	-0.041	0.105	0.141	0.168	0.308	0.222	0.714	0.317	0.358	0.341	0.165	0.260	0.277	0.234	0.343	0.240				
Zn	0.021	0.040	0.260	0.202	-0.283	0.150	-0.039	-0.141	-0.033	0.050	-0.002	-0.038	0.174	0.004	0.069	0.079	0.111	-0.159	-0.131	0.048	-0.037	0.135	0.101	0.127	0.382	0.481	0.523	0.194	0.400	0.367	0.267	0.411	0.194	0.442	0.649	0.291	0.495			

## 6 Conclusions

From the point of view of clay mineralogy and general mineralogy:

A wide variety of soils have been analysed for clay mineralogy in UE and United Kingdom countries. As have been stated above, in general, clay content and the presence of permanent charged minerals conditioned, in this order, the CEC values of soils rather than pH or OM contents.

On a qualitative observation basis, central Europe (i.e. Germany, Czechia, Poland) and northern countries (i.e. Finland, Sweden, Latvia) have clay mineralogies more akin to have chlorite-like or vermiculitic compositions in addition to the persistent predominance of illite. These mineralogies are consistent with highly weathered, organic rich, topsoils from more cold and humid regions, very poor, on the other hand, in clay minerals, and in nutrients such as calcium, magnesium and, potassium

Kaolinite and smectite are more represented in mediterranean or southern UE countries and, in addition, iron oxyhydroxides are present and differentiate orange-brown colours of these regions.

Quartz is the main stable no clay mineral and feldspars or amphiboles appear in soil mineralogies from the well-known granitic shields of Scandinavian countries.

Presence and quantification of sparingly soluble (carbonates) or soluble minerals (gypsum and halite) is not always established with certainty or either quantified, it is necessary to revisit some samples to capture signal overlapping in order to obtain further interpretations on salinity issues. Knowledge of the existence of lime additions to analyzed soils will be important to solve some of the interpretations concerning calcite presence or not in representative soils.

Current descriptive analysis can be used to identify the most relevant clay minerals in soils of Europe. Monitoring over time can be used as soil health indicator to establish potential correlations between clay minerals and relevant threats as soil degradation, soil erosion, and soil pollution.

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## List of abbreviations and definitions

Abbreviations used in the text, XRD figures, and mineralogical composition tables (mainly after Whitney and Evans, 2010):

<b>S</b>	Smectite
<b>V</b>	Vermiculite
<b>I</b>	Illite
<b>M</b>	Mica
<b>C</b>	Chlorite
<b>K</b>	Kaolinite
<b>Plg</b>	Palygorskite
<b>Sep</b>	Sepiolite
<b>Pg</b>	Paragonite
<b>Bt</b>	Biotite
<b>Tlc</b>	Talc
<b>MLM</b>	mixed-layer clay mineral
<b>I/S</b>	MLM illite/smectite
<b>I/V</b>	MLM illite/vermiculite
<b>I/C</b>	MLM illite/chlorite
<b>I/C/V</b>	MLM illite/chlorite/vermiculite
<b>C/S</b>	MLM chlorite/smectite
<b>K/S</b>	MLM kaolinite/smectite
<b>C/V</b>	MLM chlorite/vermiculite
<b>HIV</b>	Hydroxy-interlayered vermiculite
<b>Qz</b>	Quartz
<b>Crs</b>	Cristobalite
<b>Fsp</b>	Feldspars
<b>Kfs</b>	K-feldspar
<b>Amp</b>	Amphibole
<b>Zeo</b>	Zeolite
<b>Cal</b>	Calcite
<b>Dol</b>	Dolomite
<b>Gth</b>	Goethite
<b>Lep</b>	Lepidocrocite
<b>Hem</b>	Hematite
<b>Ant</b>	Anatase
<b>Rt</b>	Rutile
<b>Gp</b>	Gypsum
<b>Br</b>	Barite
<b>Hi</b>	Halite
<b>Fl</b>	Fluorite
<b>Wed</b>	Weddellite
<b>Lim</b>	Lime

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### Annex 1. Overall XRD characteristics

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ID	Country	Sample ID	Soil ID	Effervescence (0-3)	Removal of carbonates	Removal of OM H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	Yield of clay (0-3)
DE1	Germany	LU17_00187_001	26003	0			2
DE2	Germany	LU17_00187_002	26008	0			1
DE3	Germany	LU17_00187_003	26031	0			1
DE4	Germany	LU17_00187_004	26078	0.5			2
DE5	Germany	LU17_00187_005	26135	0			1
DE6	Germany	LU17_00187_006	26310	0			0.5
DE7	Germany	LU17_00187_007	26333	0			1
DE8	Germany	LU17_00187_008	26416	0			1
DE9	Germany	LU17_00187_009	26481	0			0
DE10	Germany	LU17_00187_010	26572	0			0
DE11	Germany	LU17_00187_011	26578	1			
DE12	Germany	LU17_00187_012	26800	0			
DE13	Germany	LU17_00187_013	26803	0			
DE14	Germany	LU17_00187_014	26889	0			0
DE15	Germany	LU17_00187_015	26900	0			0
DE16	Germany	LU17_00187_016	27047	0			
DE17	Germany	LU17_00187_017	27201	0			
DE18	Germany	LU17_00187_018	27211	0			0
DE19	Germany	LU17_00187_019	27243	0			0
DE20	Germany	LU17_00187_020	27361	0			
DE21	Germany	LU17_00187_021	27466	0			0
DE22	Germany	LU17_00187_022	27543	0			
DE23	Germany	LU17_00187_023	27565	0			
DE24	Germany	LU17_00187_024	27663	0			
DE25	Germany	LU17_00187_025	27724	0			
DE26	Germany	LU17_00187_026	27839	0			
DE27	Germany	LU17_00187_027	27942	0			
DE28	Germany	LU17_00187_028	28012	0			
DE29	Germany	LU17_00187_029	26256	0			2
DE30	Germany	LU17_00187_030	26257	0			3
DE31	Germany	LU17_00187_031	26364	0			2
DE32	Germany	LU17_00187_032	26504	0			3
DE33	Germany	LU17_00187_033	26716	0			2

<b>DE34</b>	Germany	LU17_00187_034	27101	0			x	1.5
<b>DE35</b>	Germany	LU17_00187_035	27430	0				0.5
<b>DE36</b>	Germany	LU17_00187_036	27525	0				2
<b>DE37</b>	Germany	LU17_00187_037	27953	0				1
<b>DE38</b>	Germany	LU17_00187_038	27988	0				1.5
<b>DE39</b>	Germany	LU17_00187_039	27480	0				2
<b>GR1</b>	Greece	LU17_00188_001	29318	0				2
<b>GR2</b>	Greece	LU17_00188_002	29360	0				1
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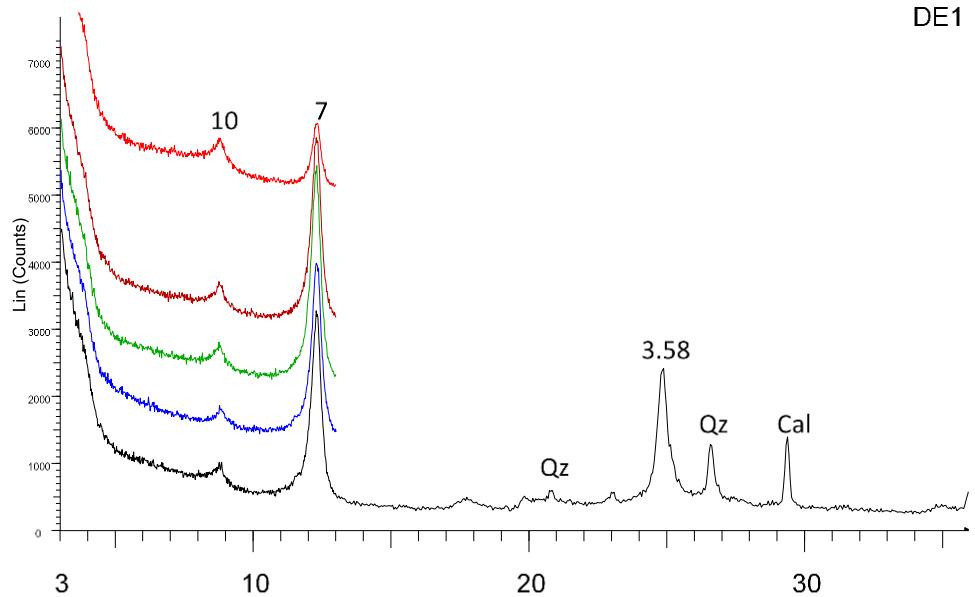
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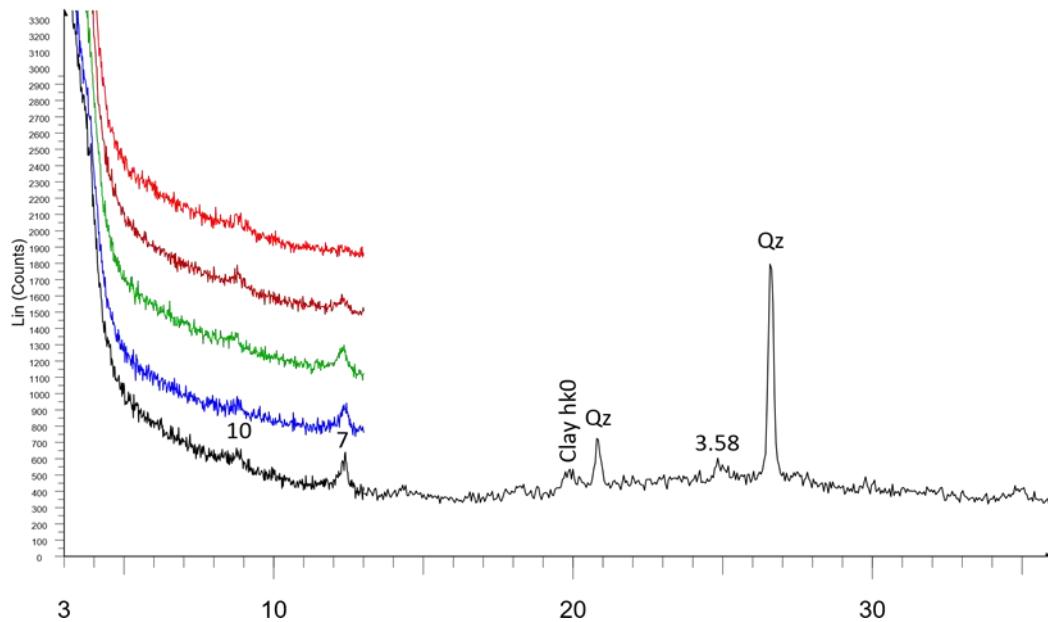
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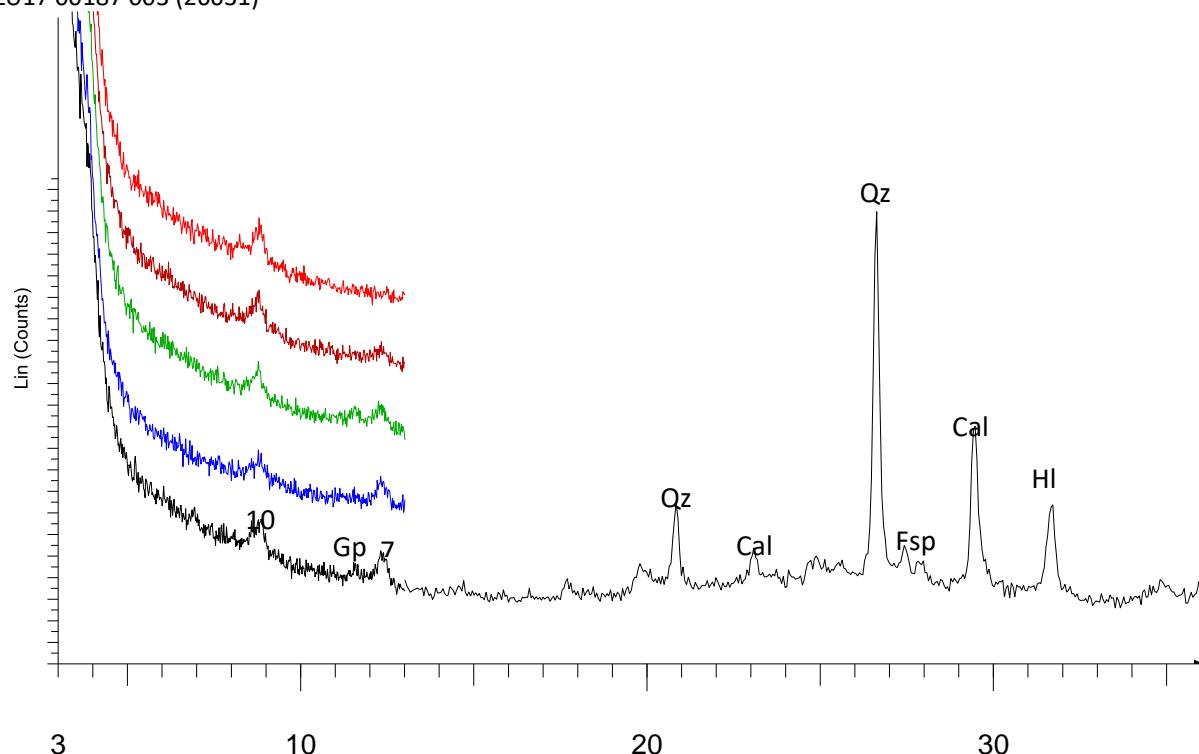
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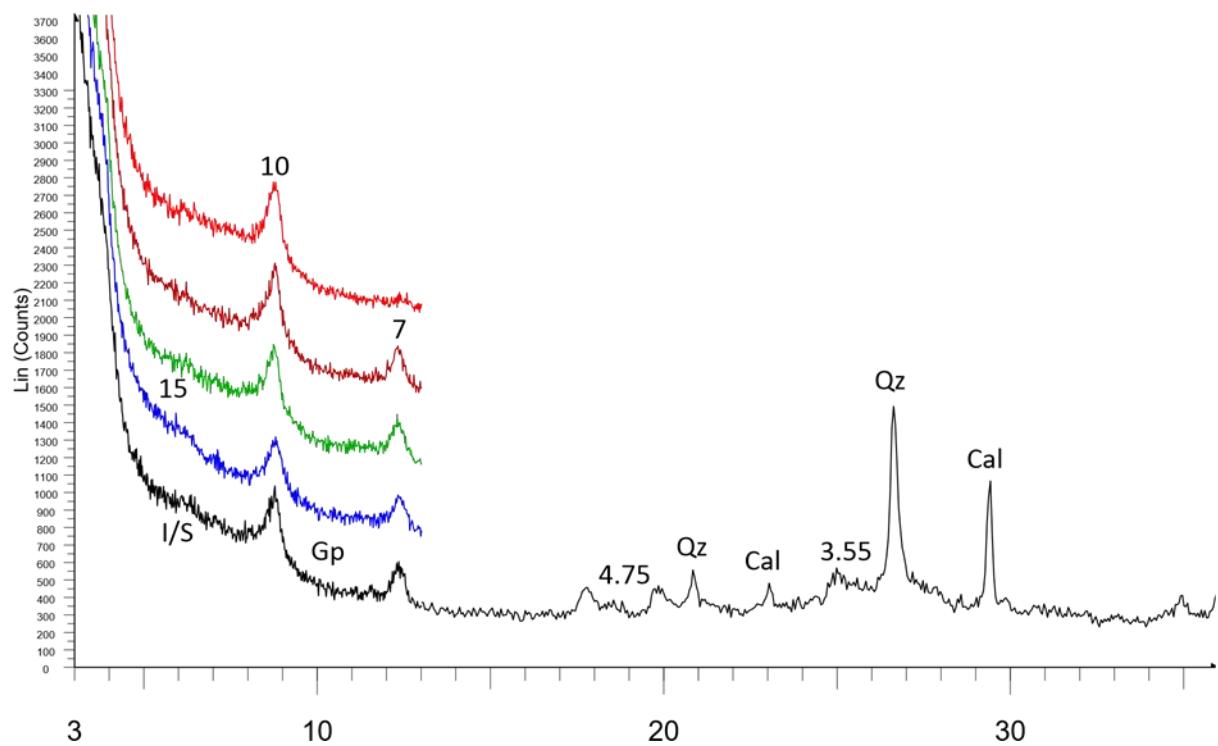
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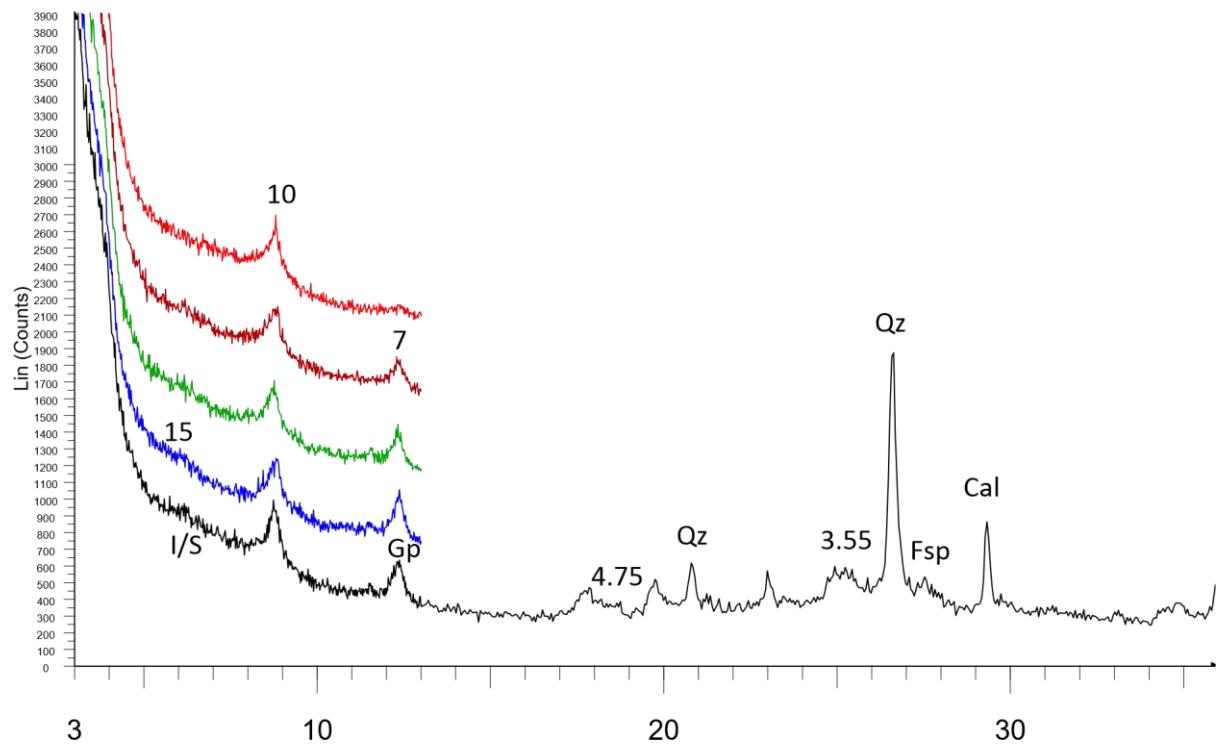
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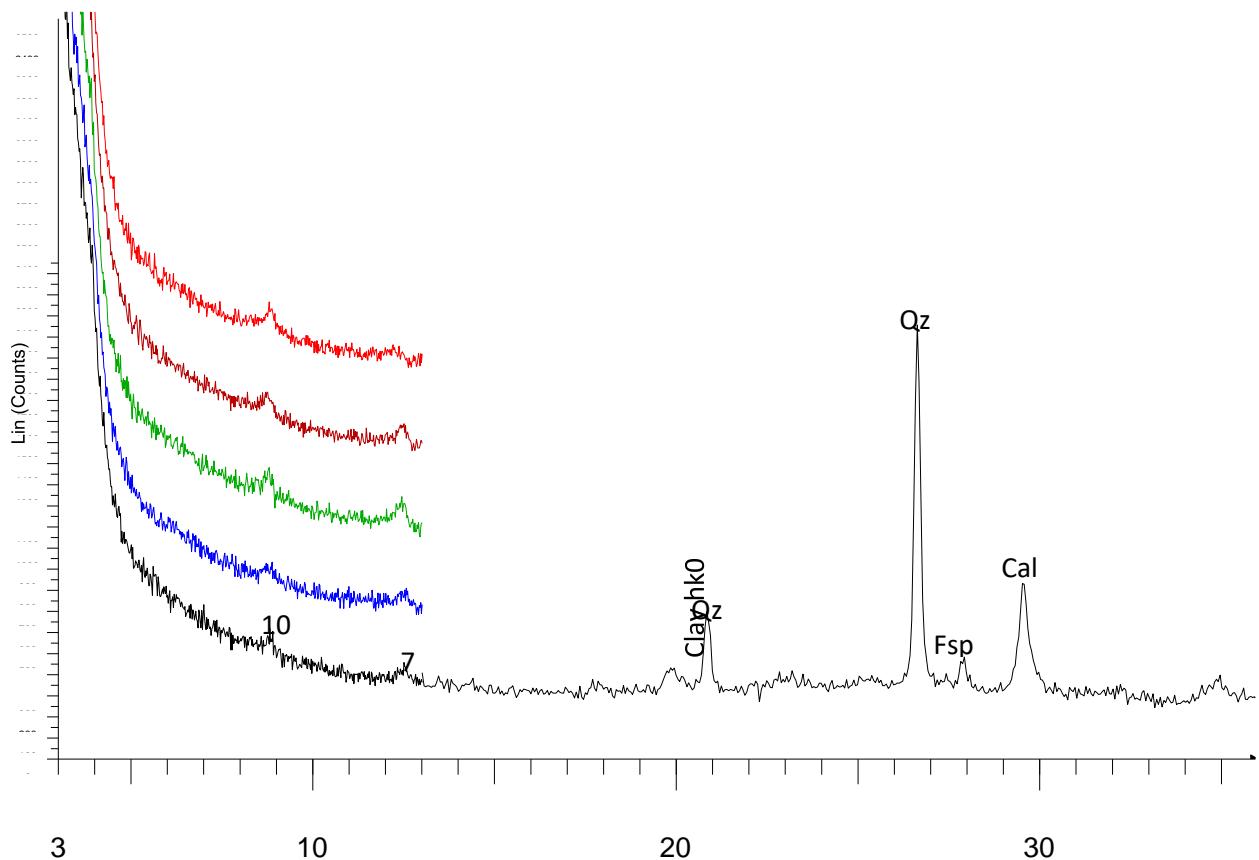
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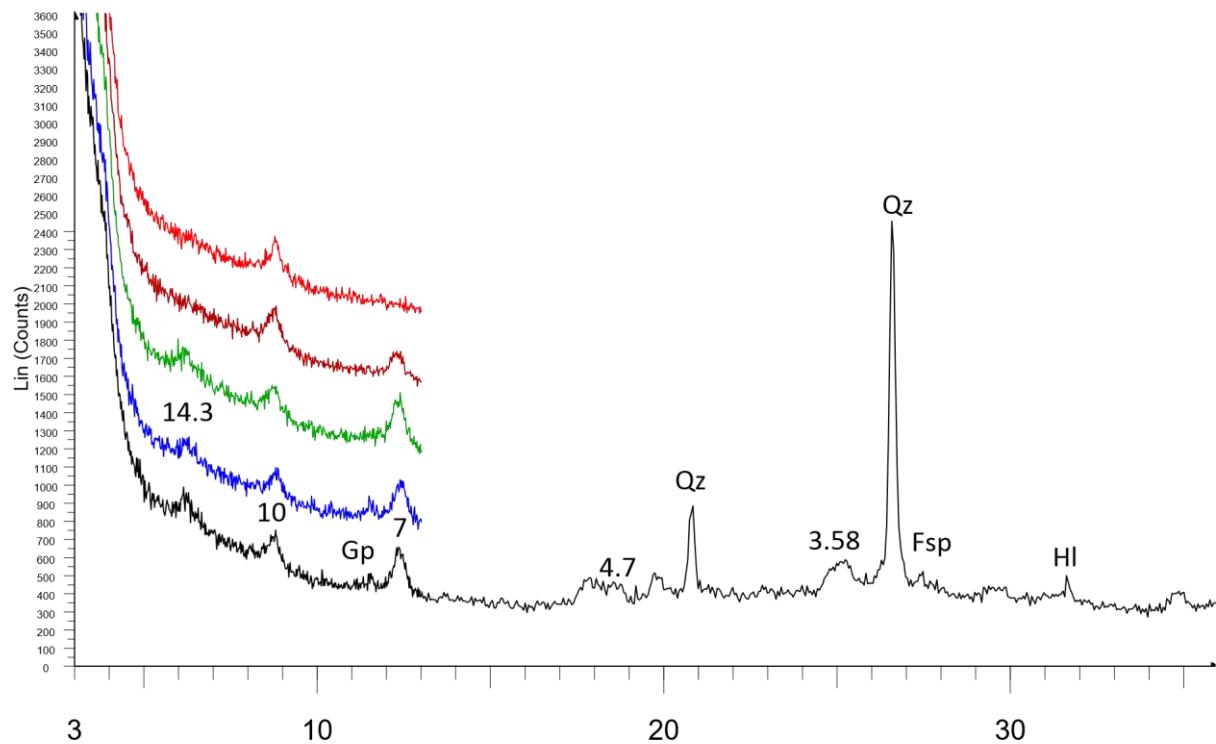
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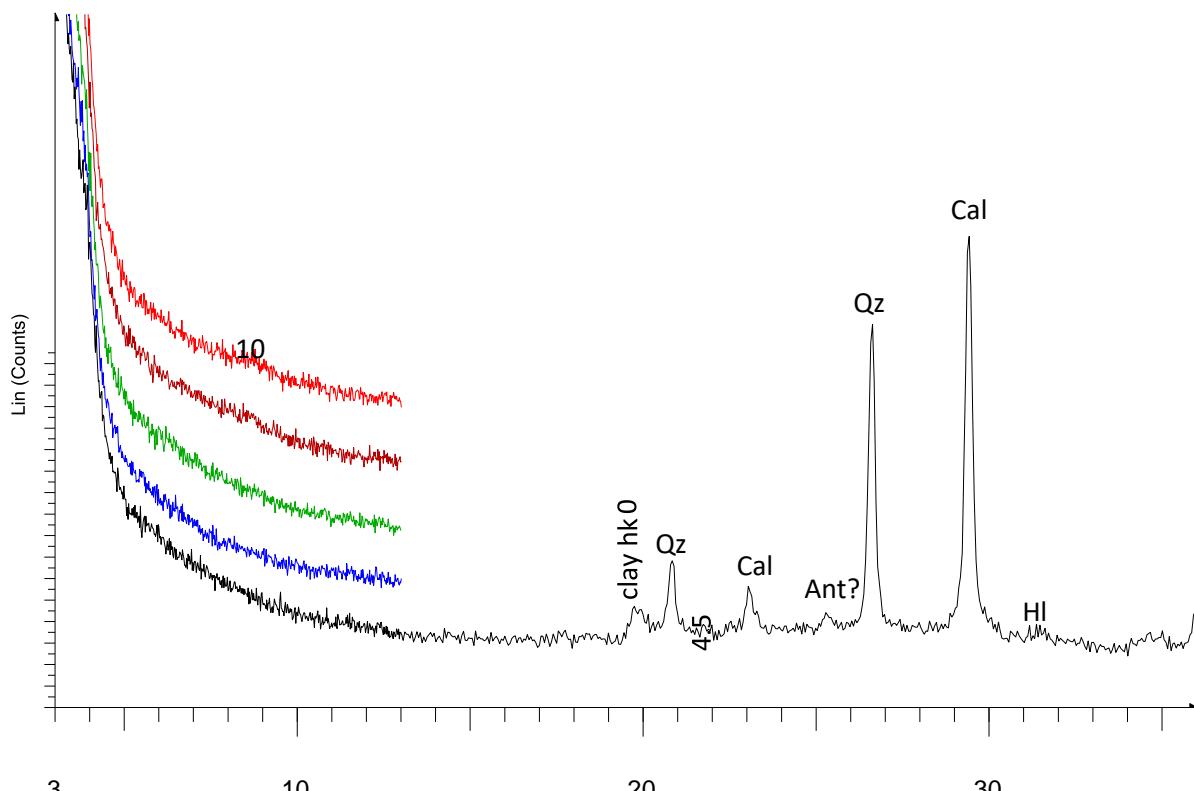
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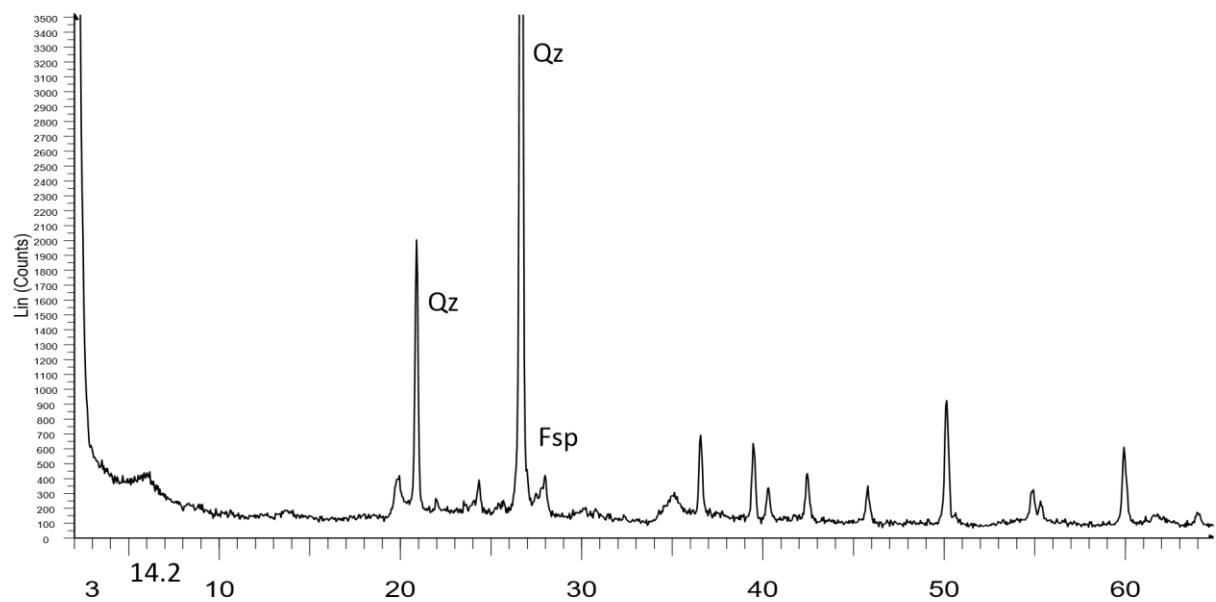
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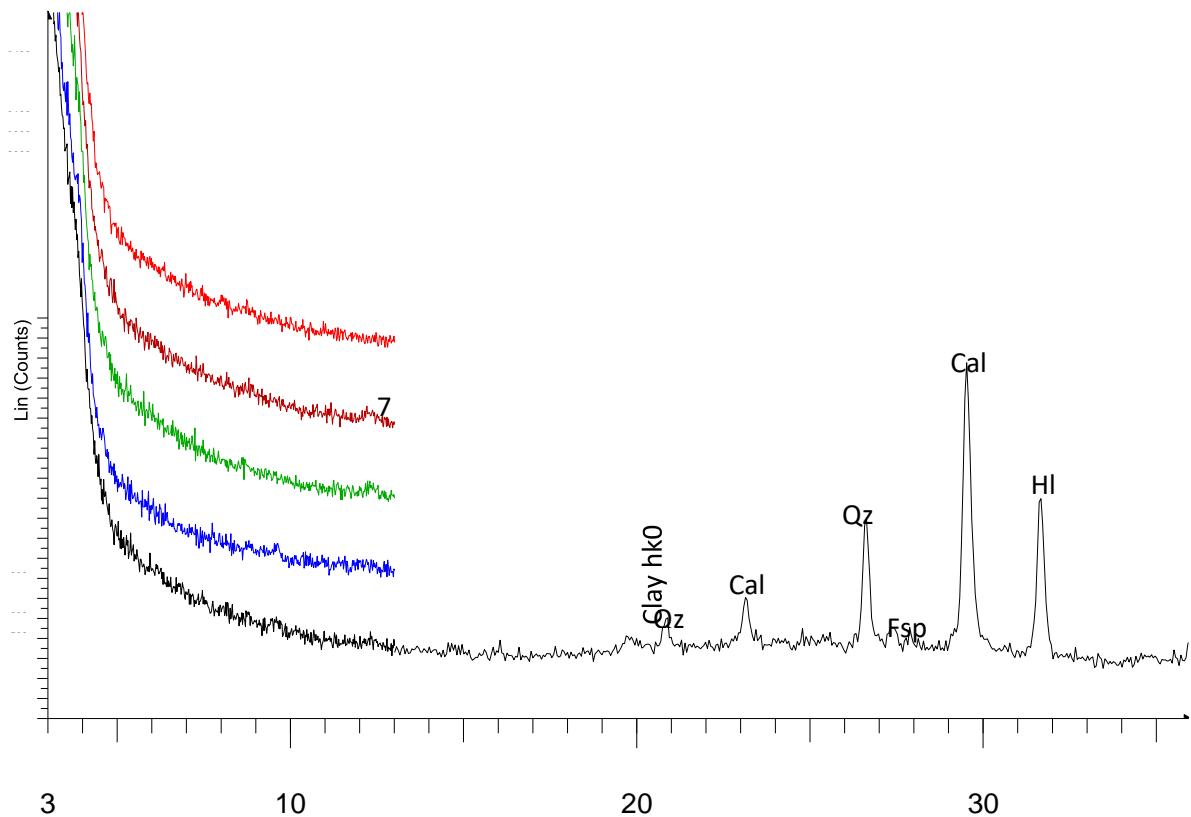
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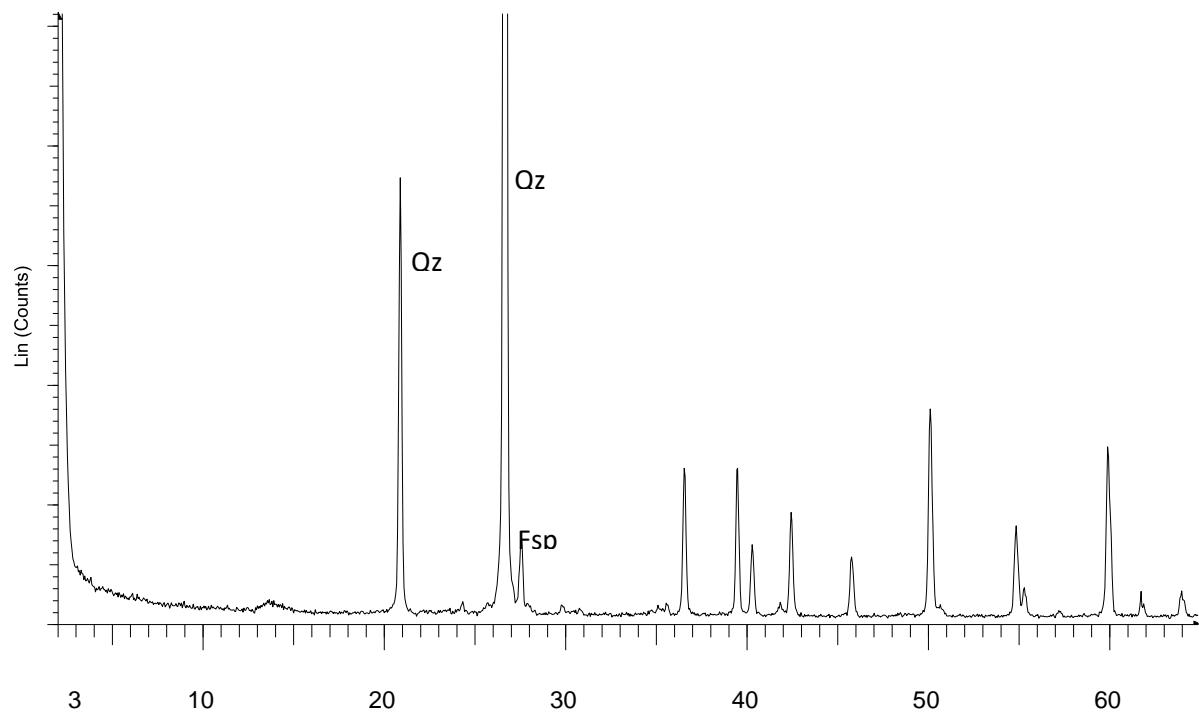
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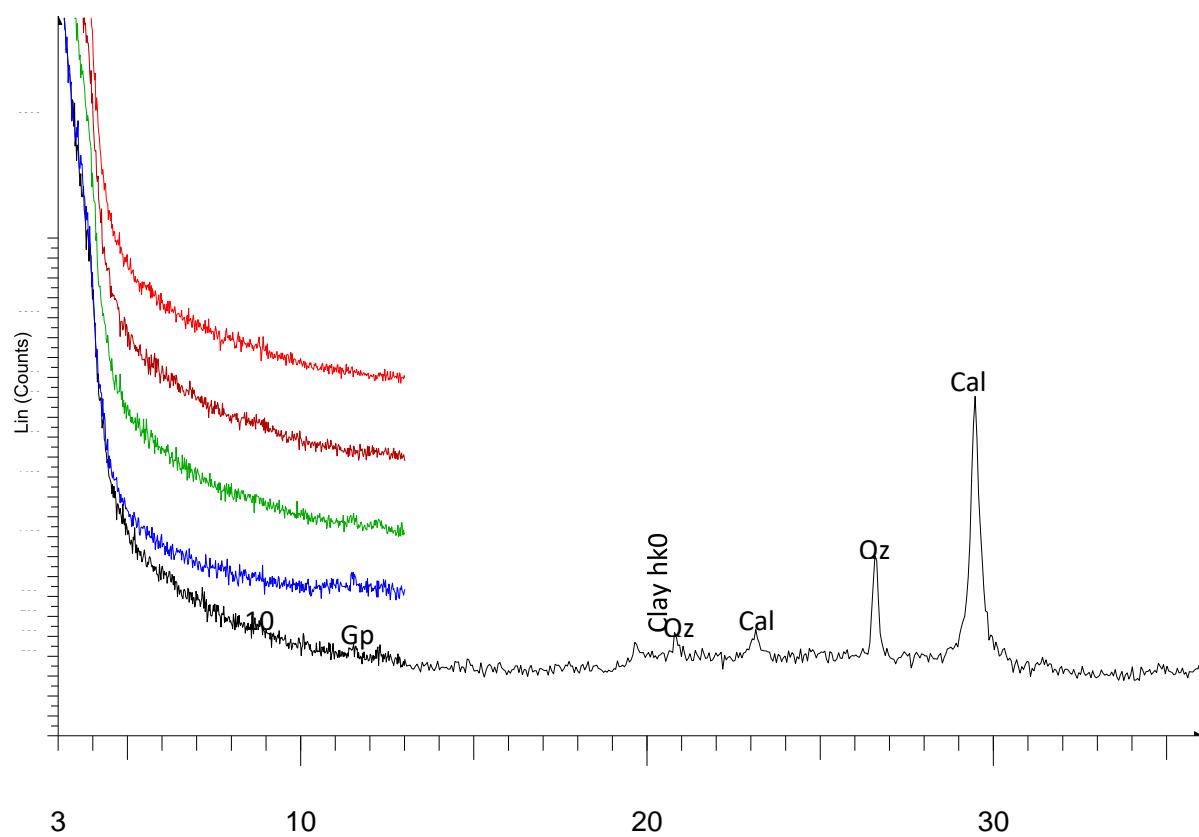
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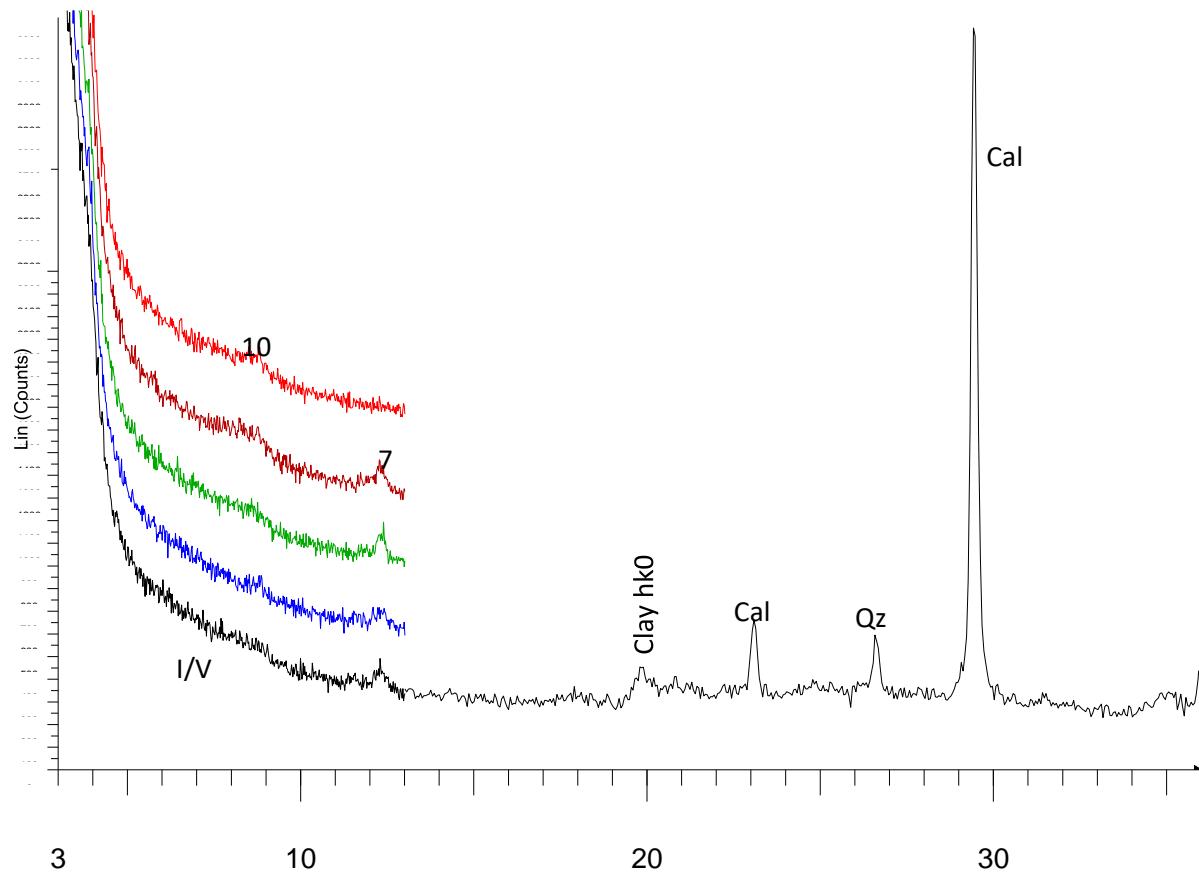
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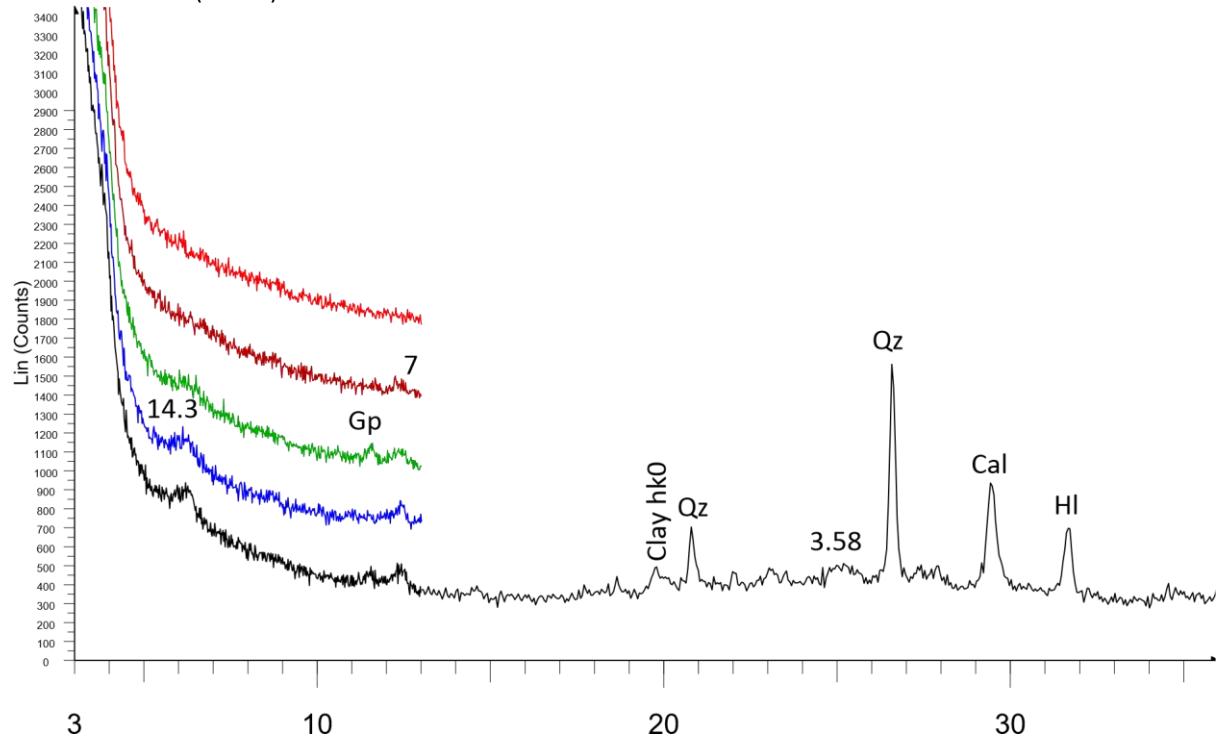
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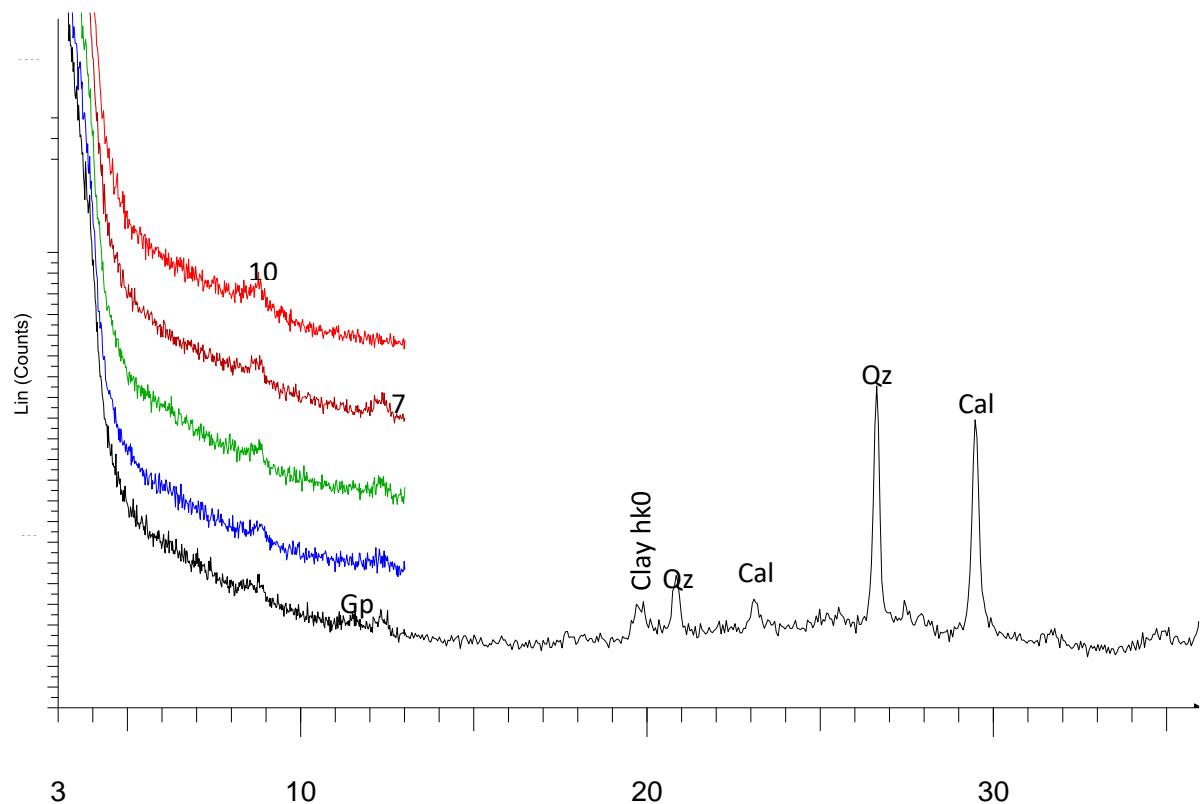
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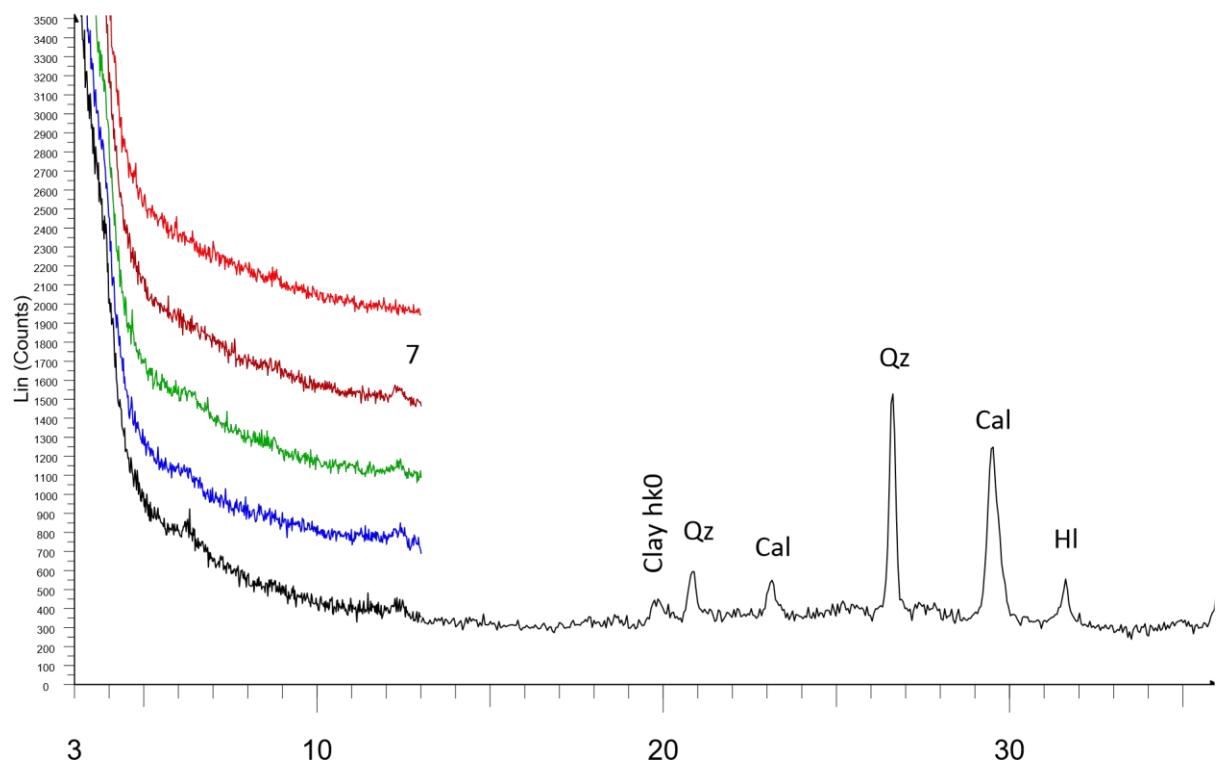
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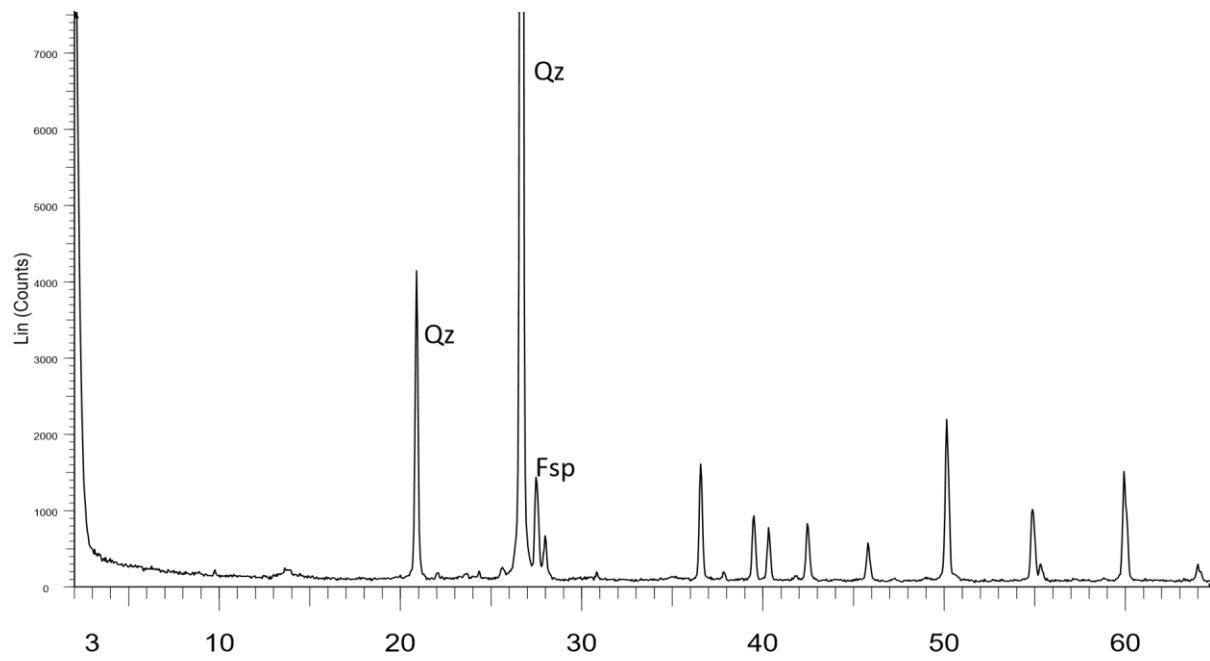
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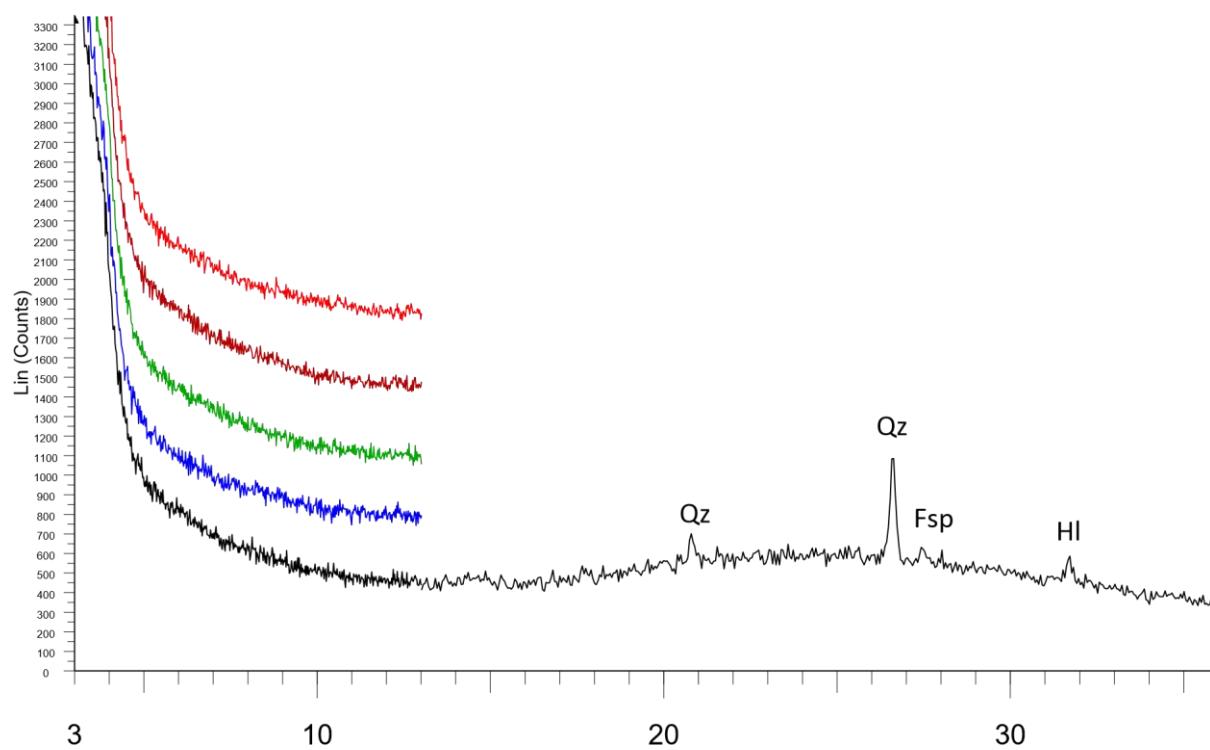
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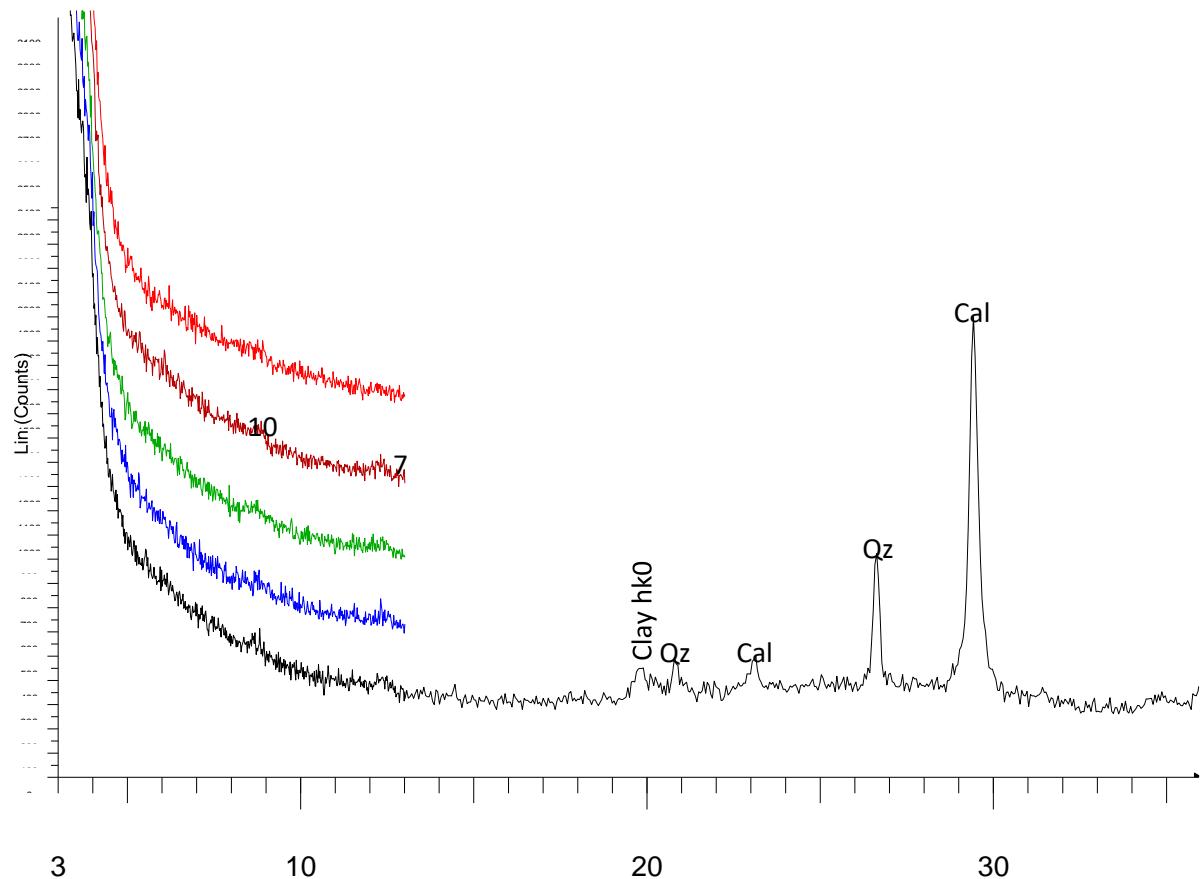
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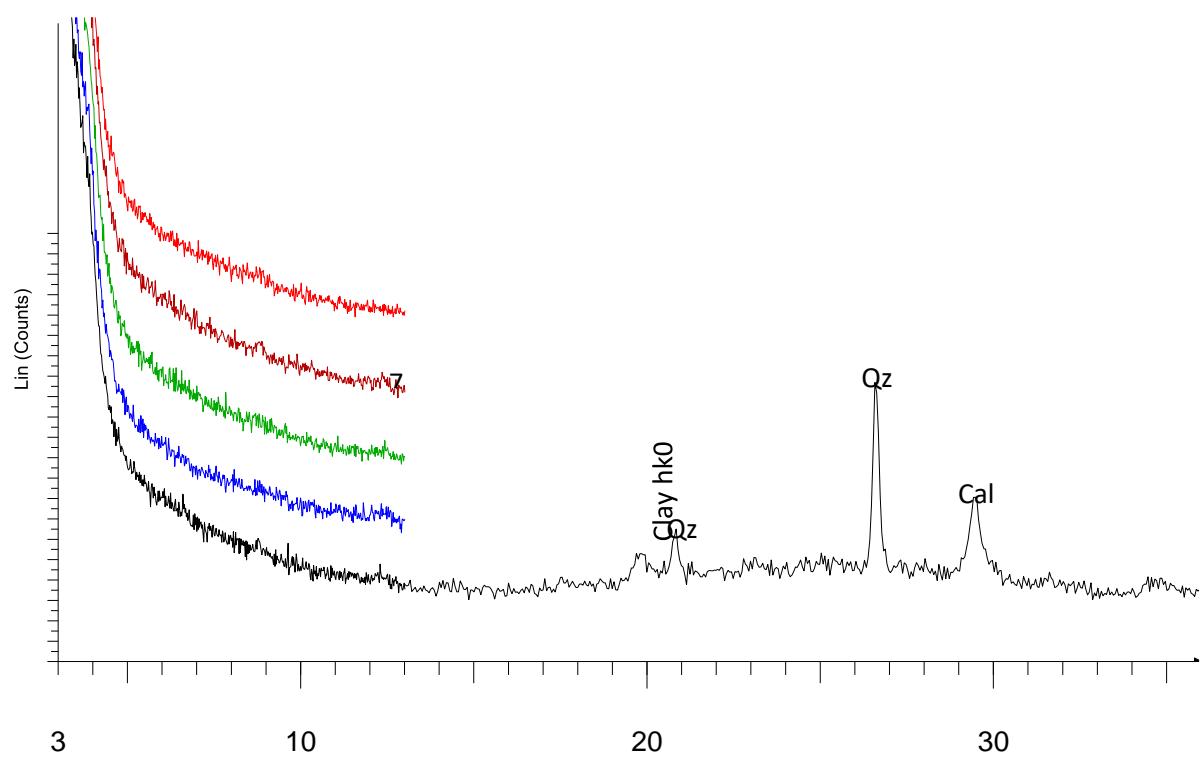
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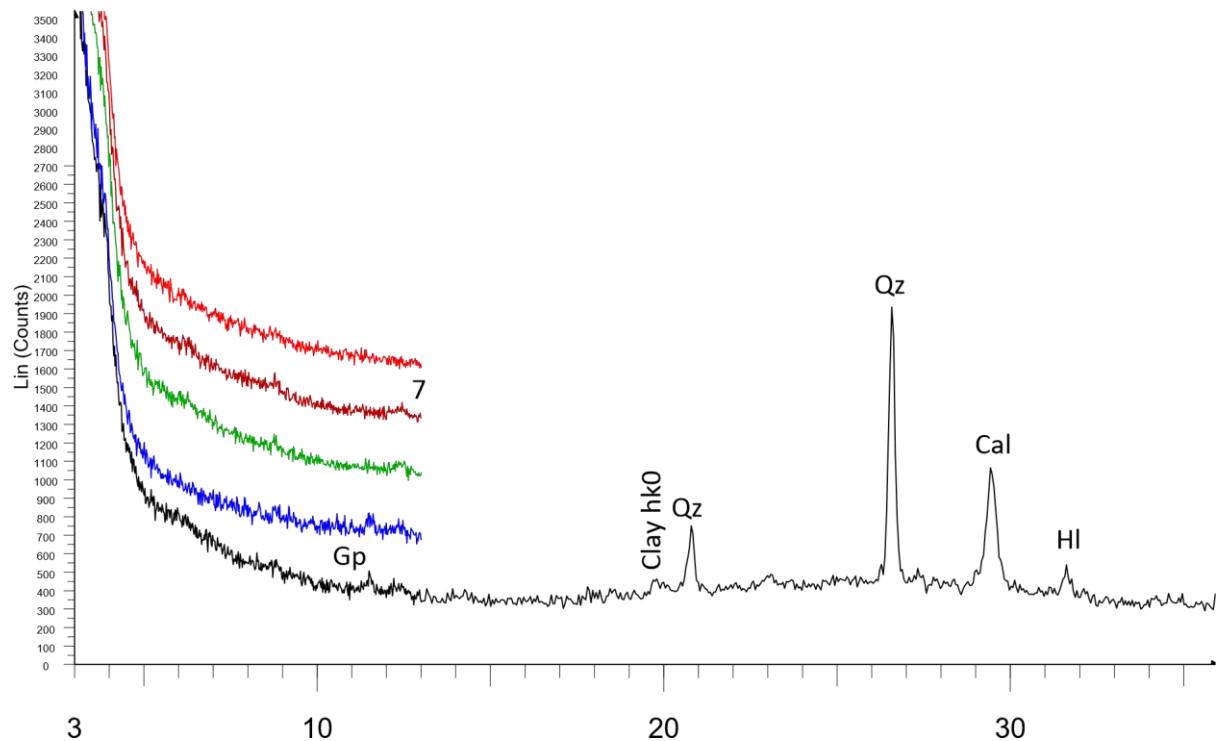
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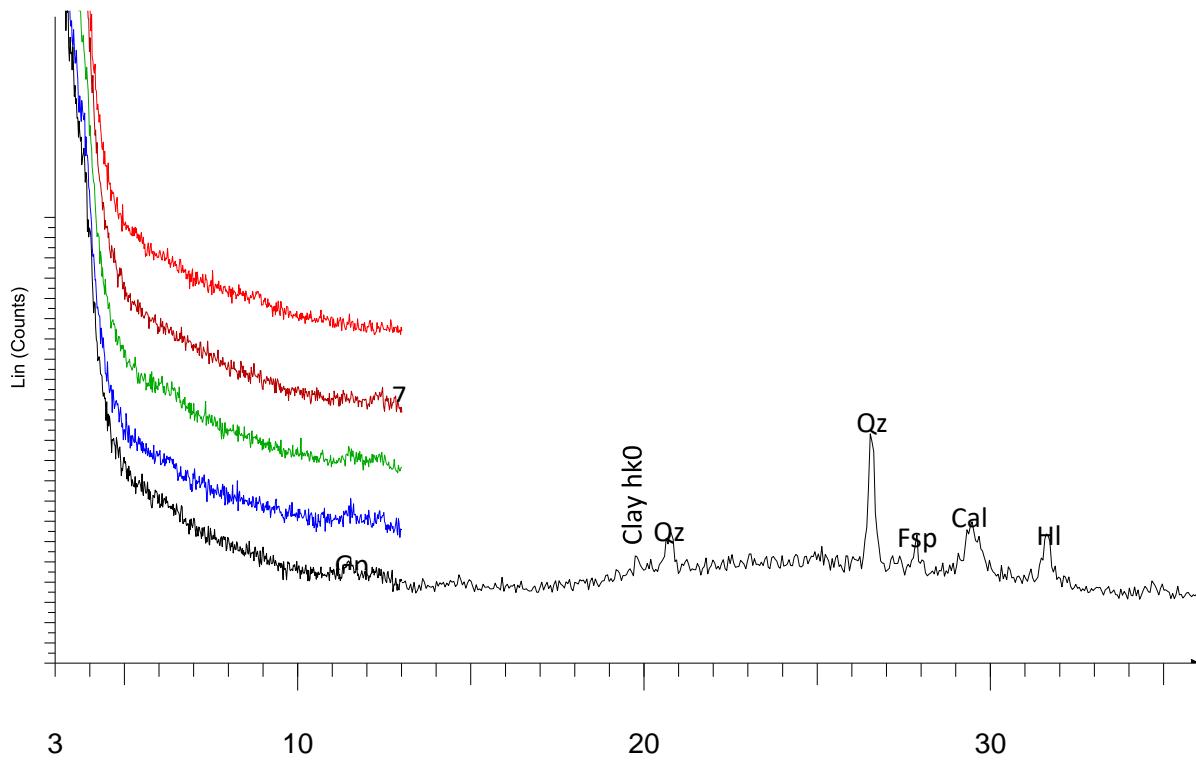
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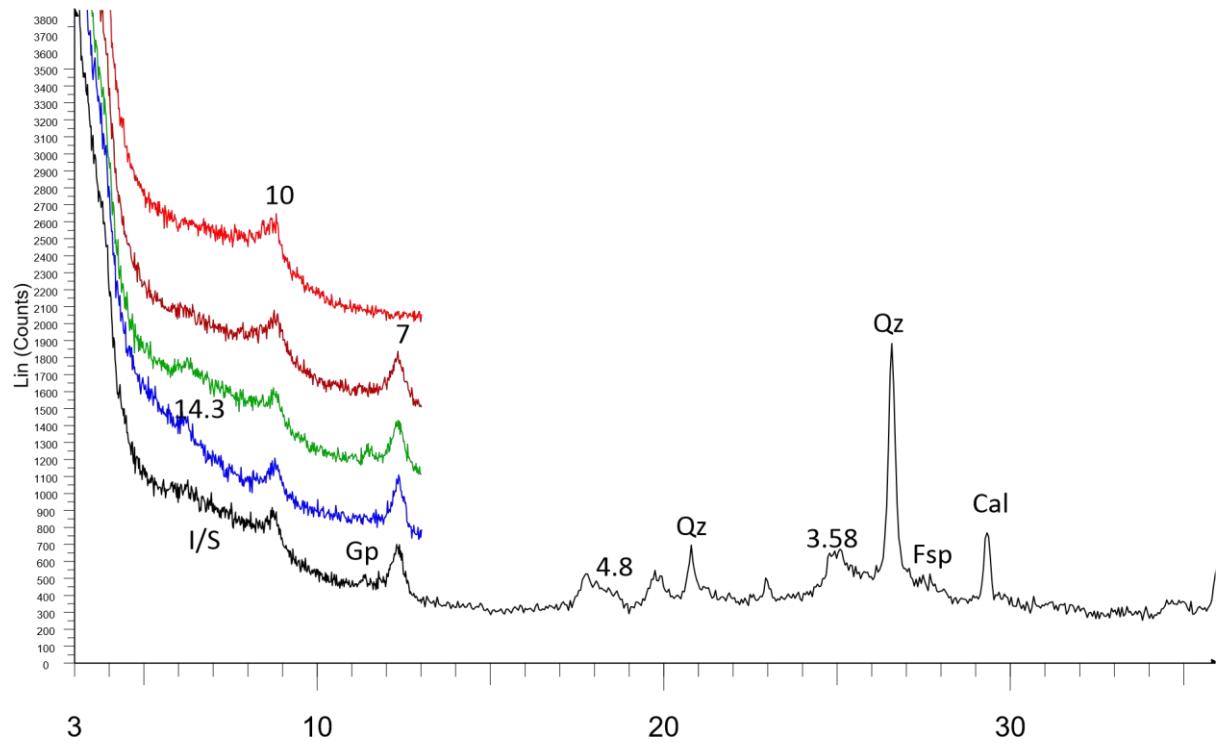
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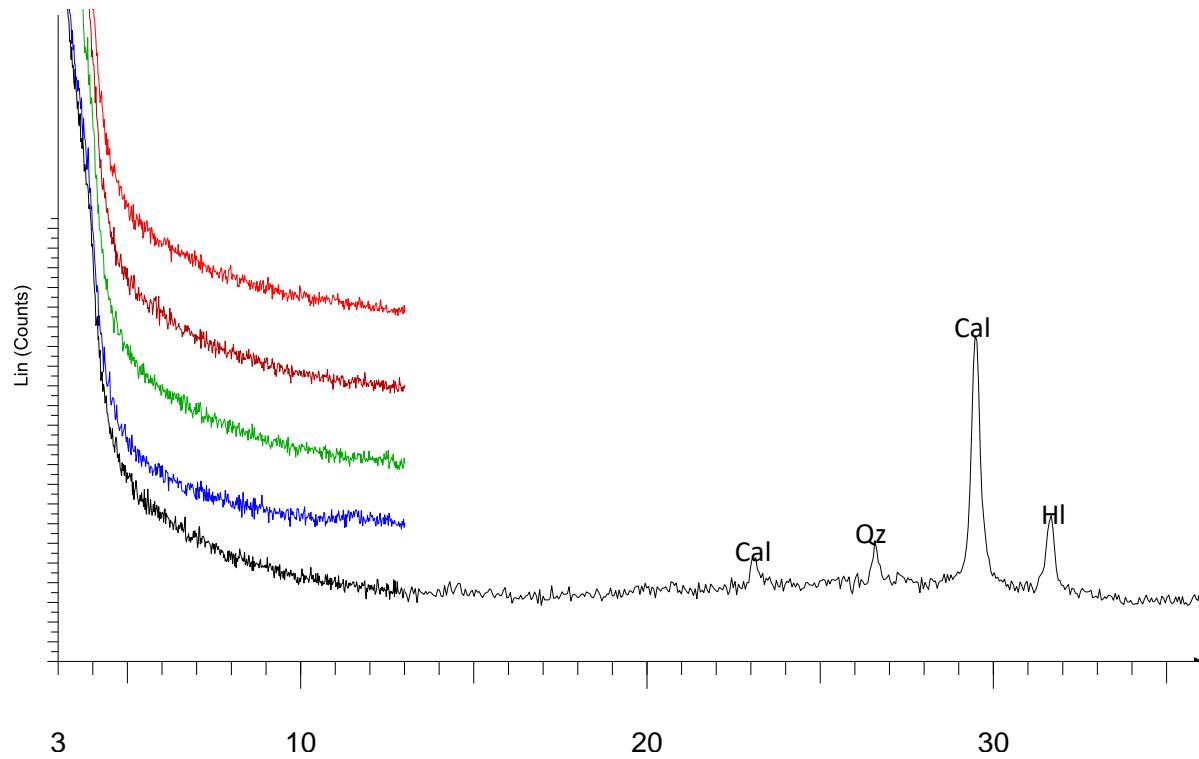
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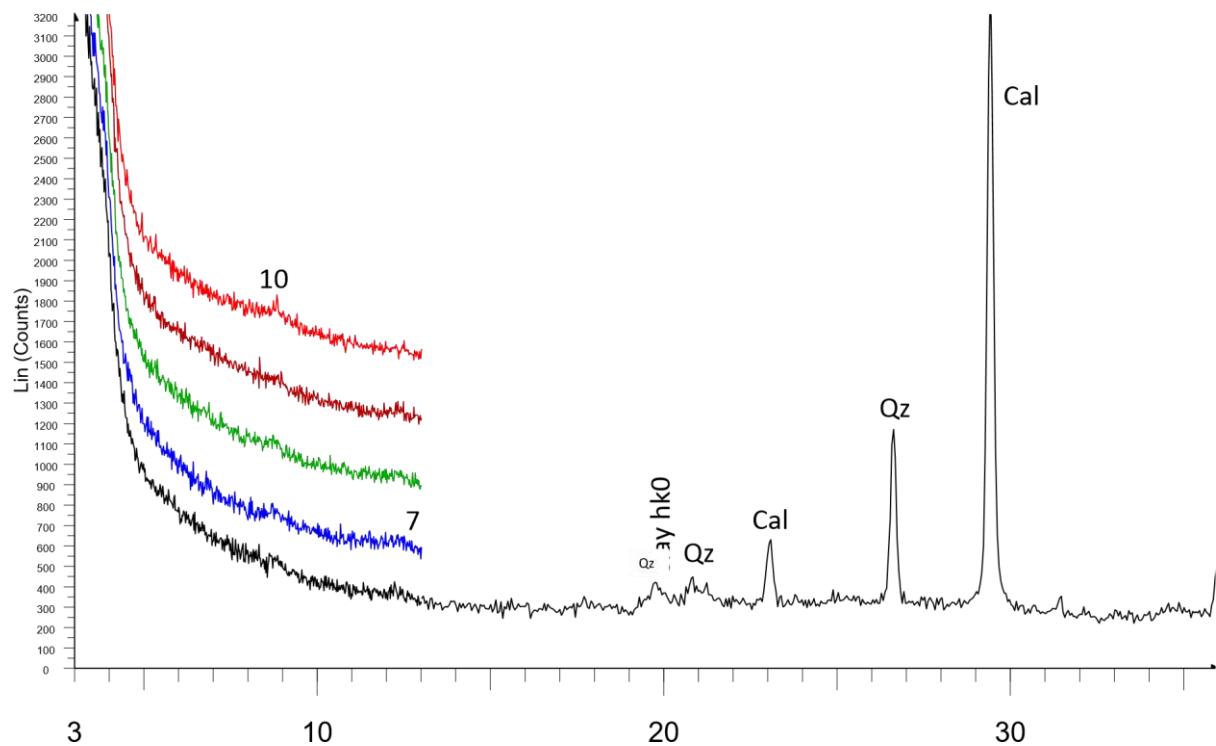
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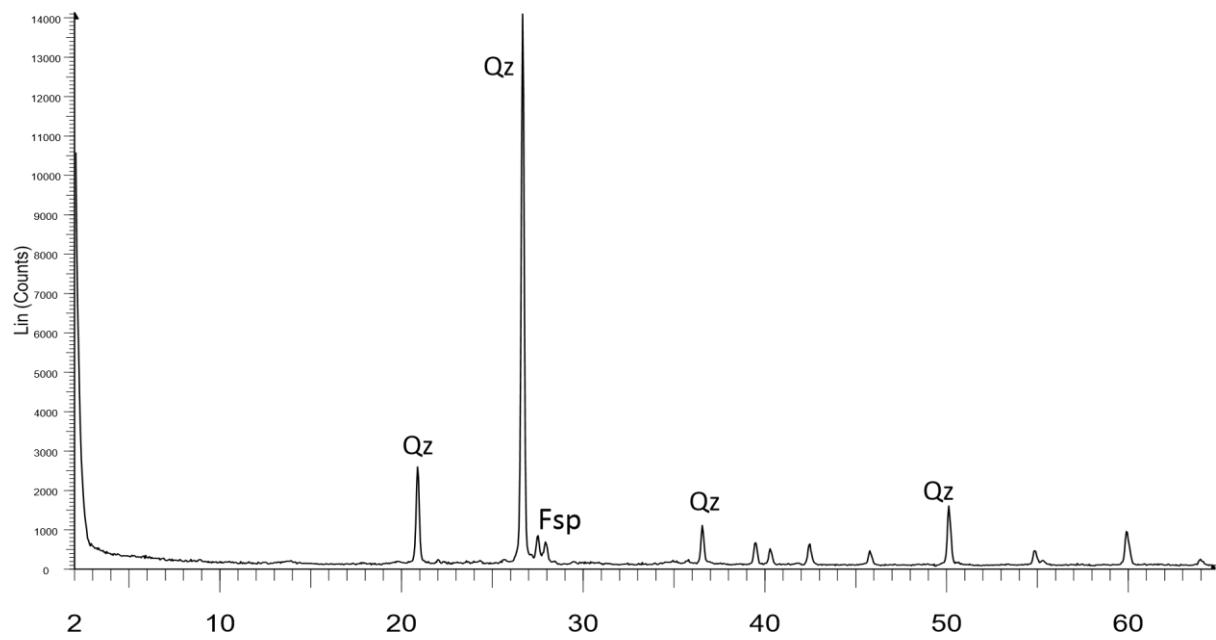
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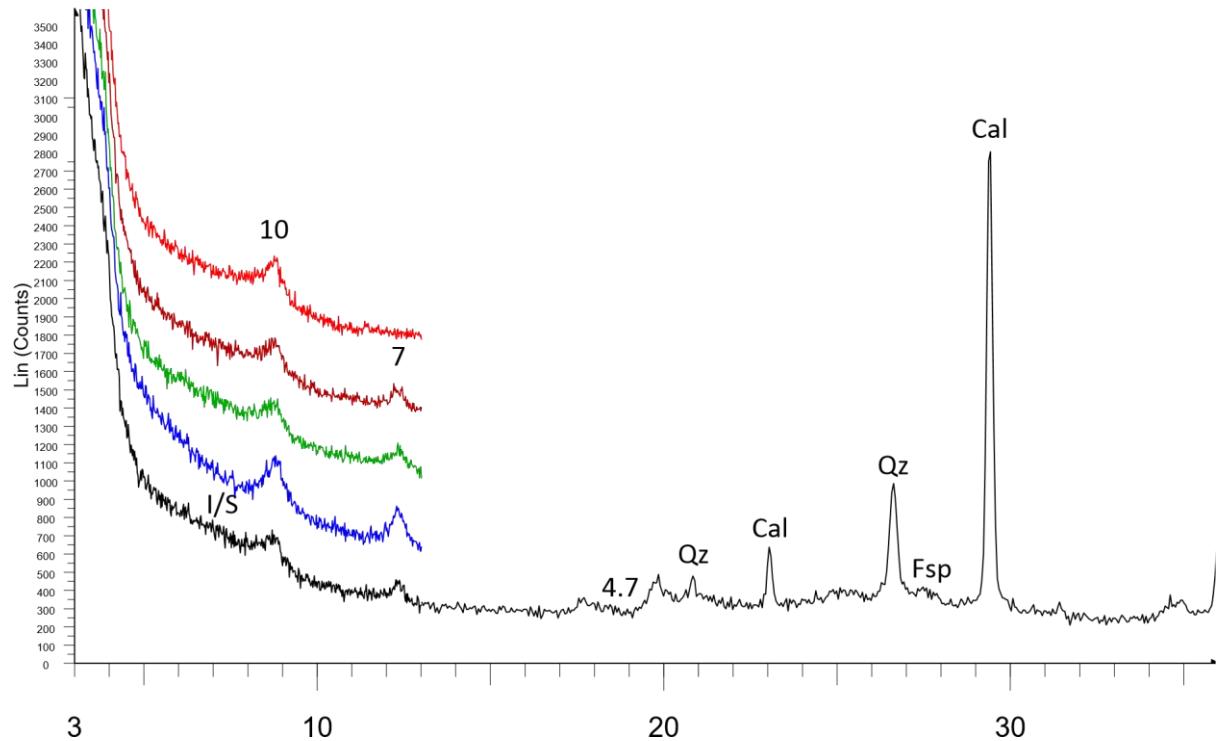
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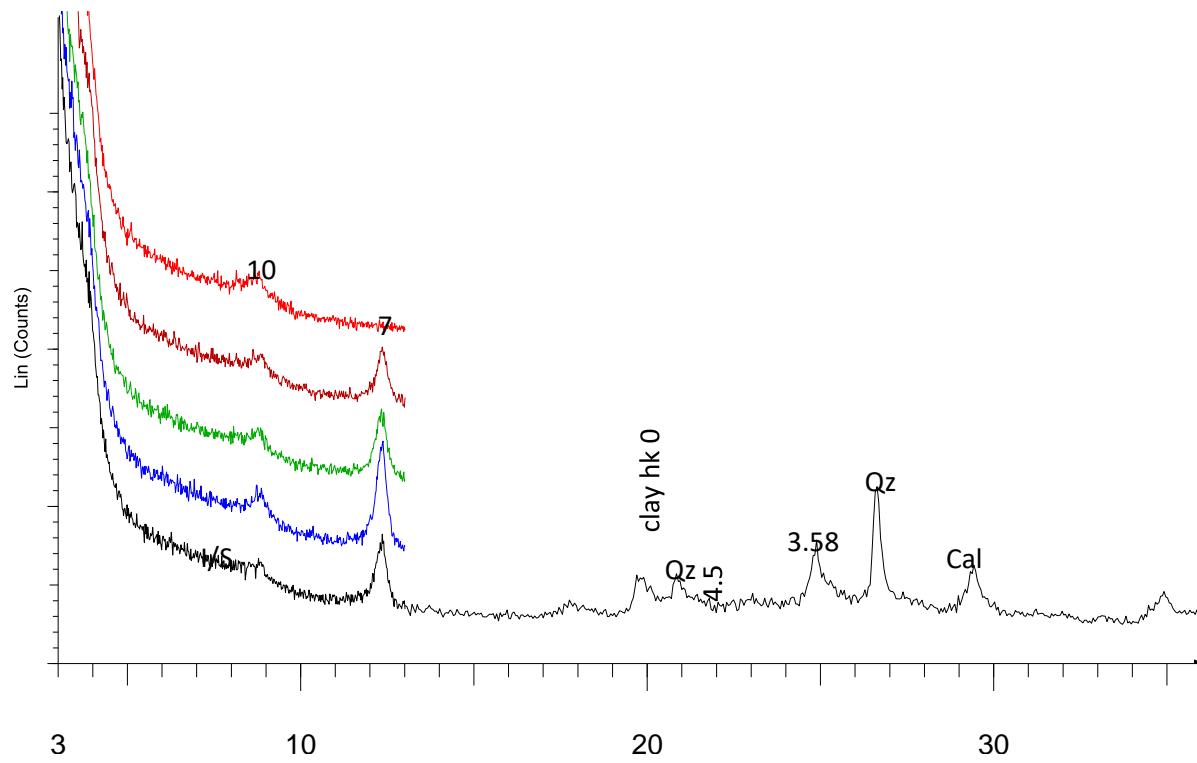
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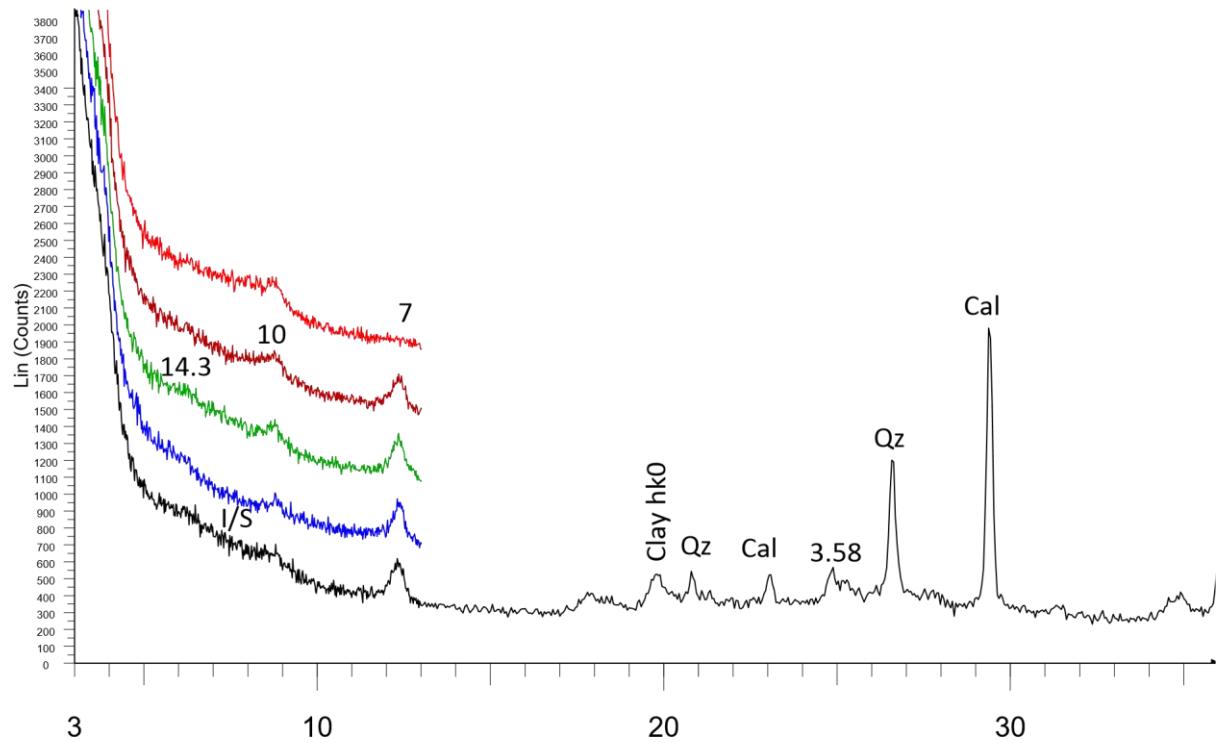
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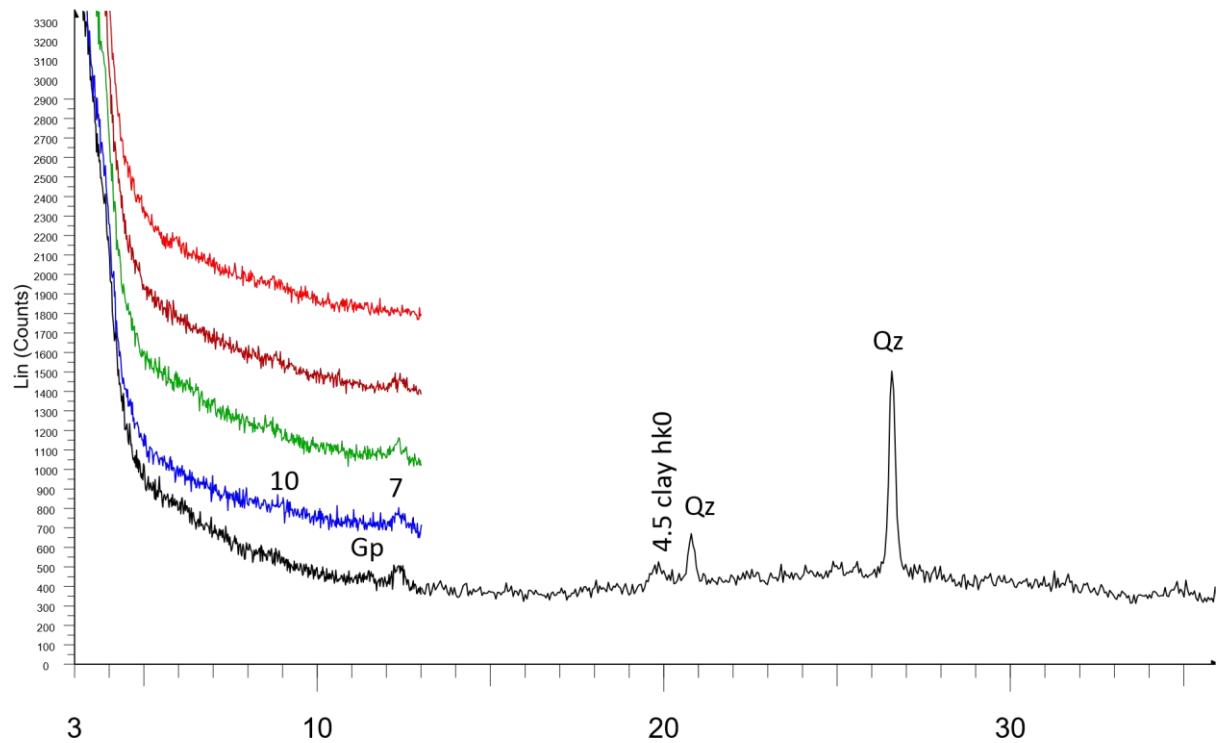
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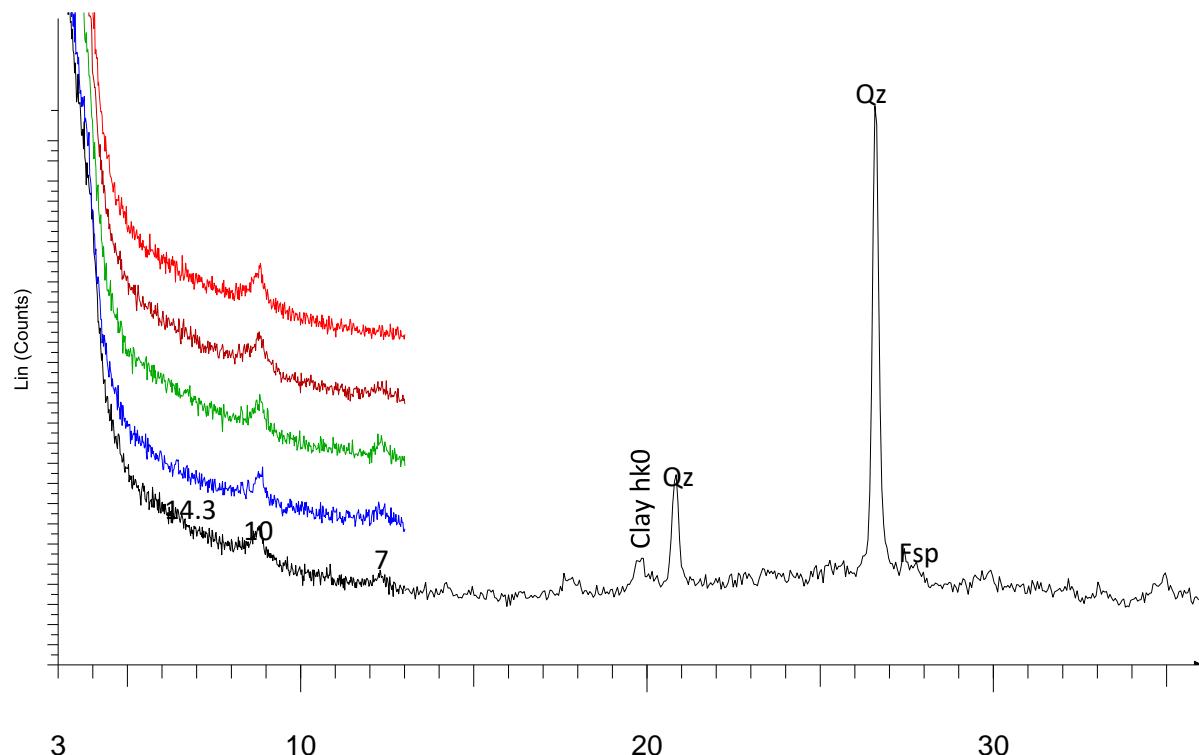
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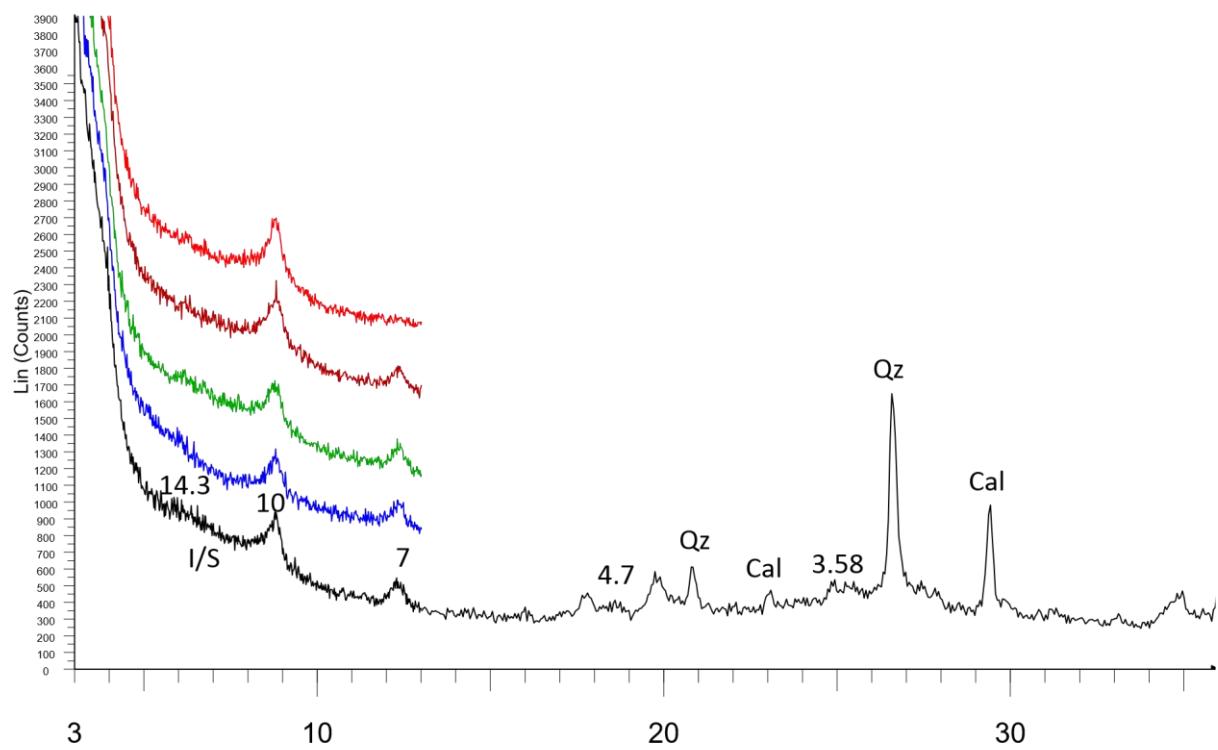
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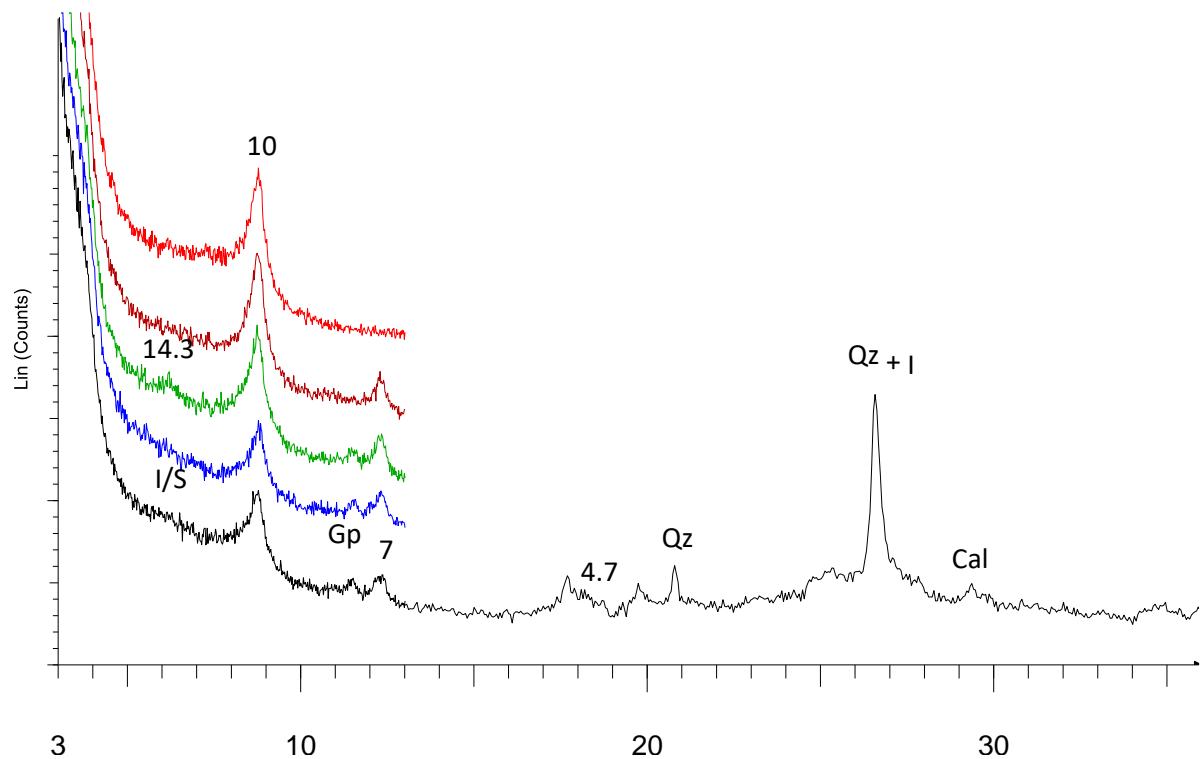
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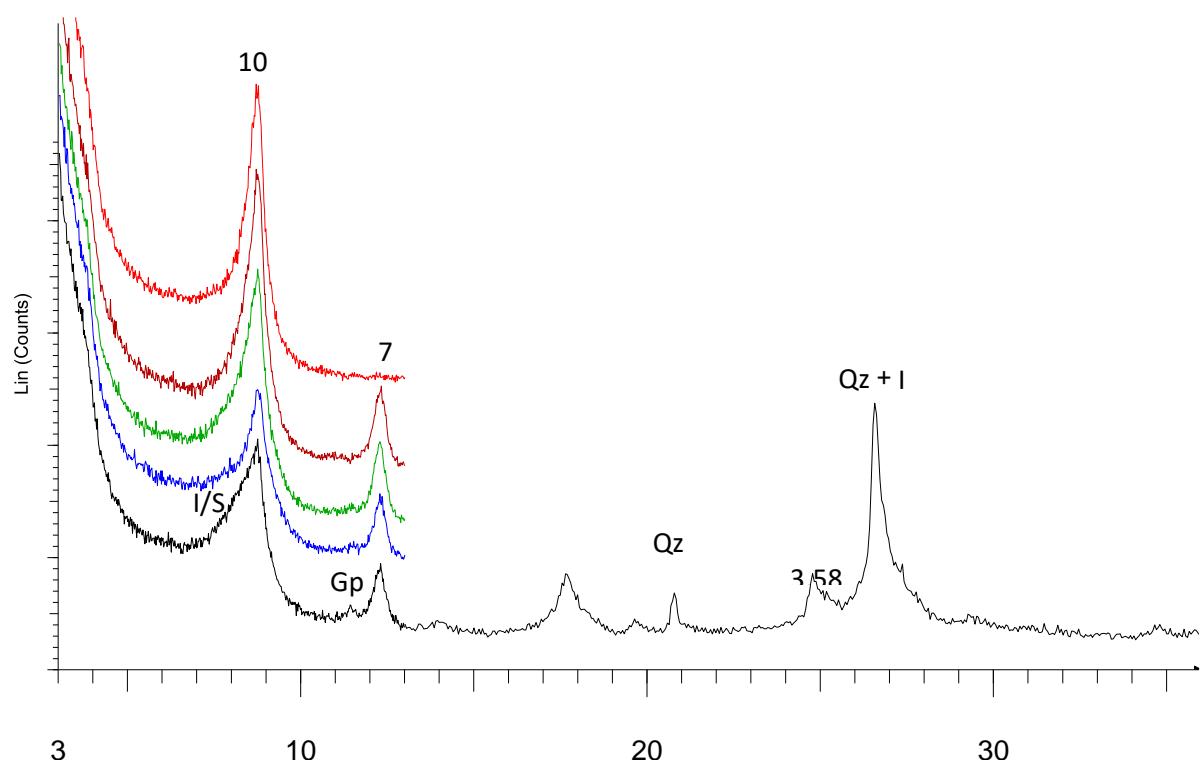
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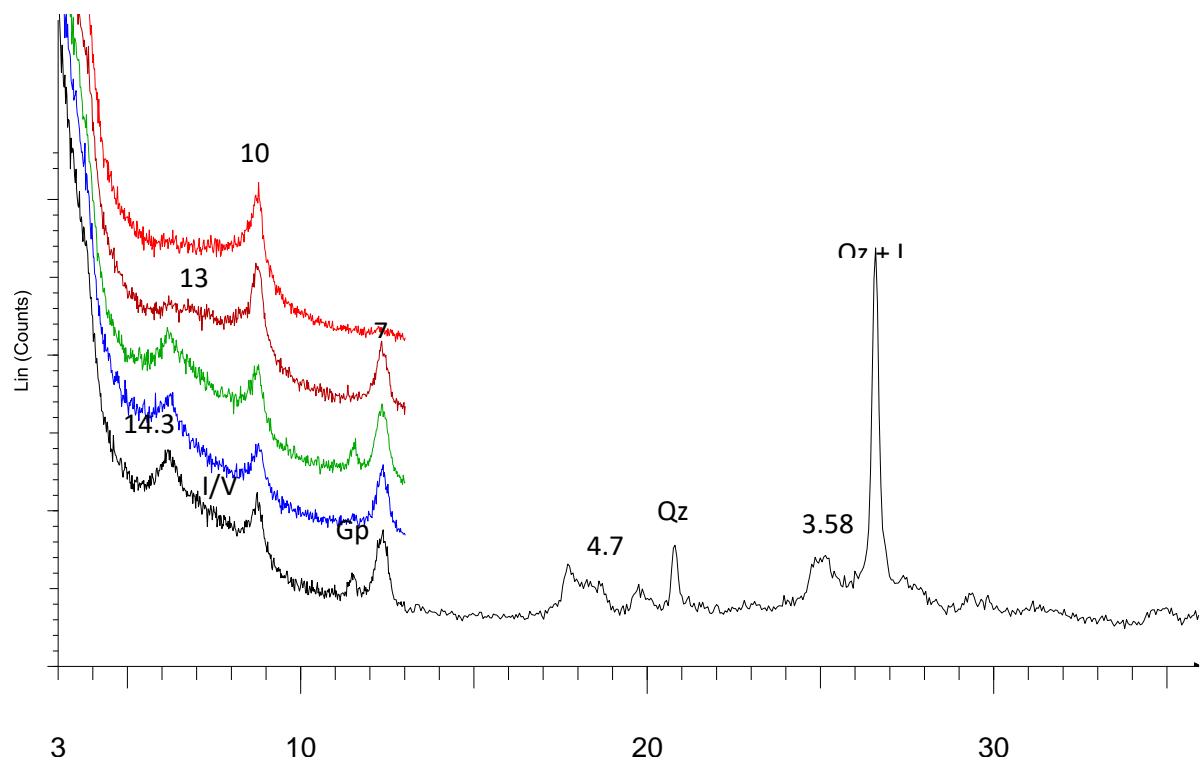
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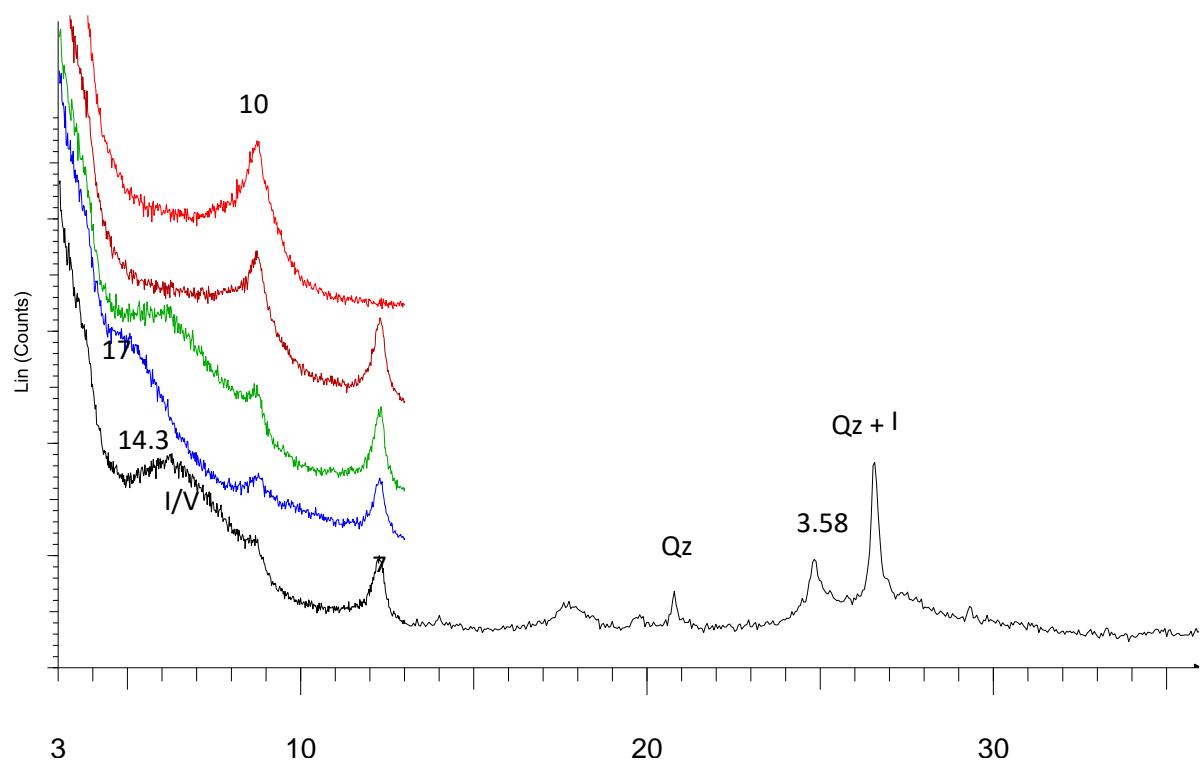
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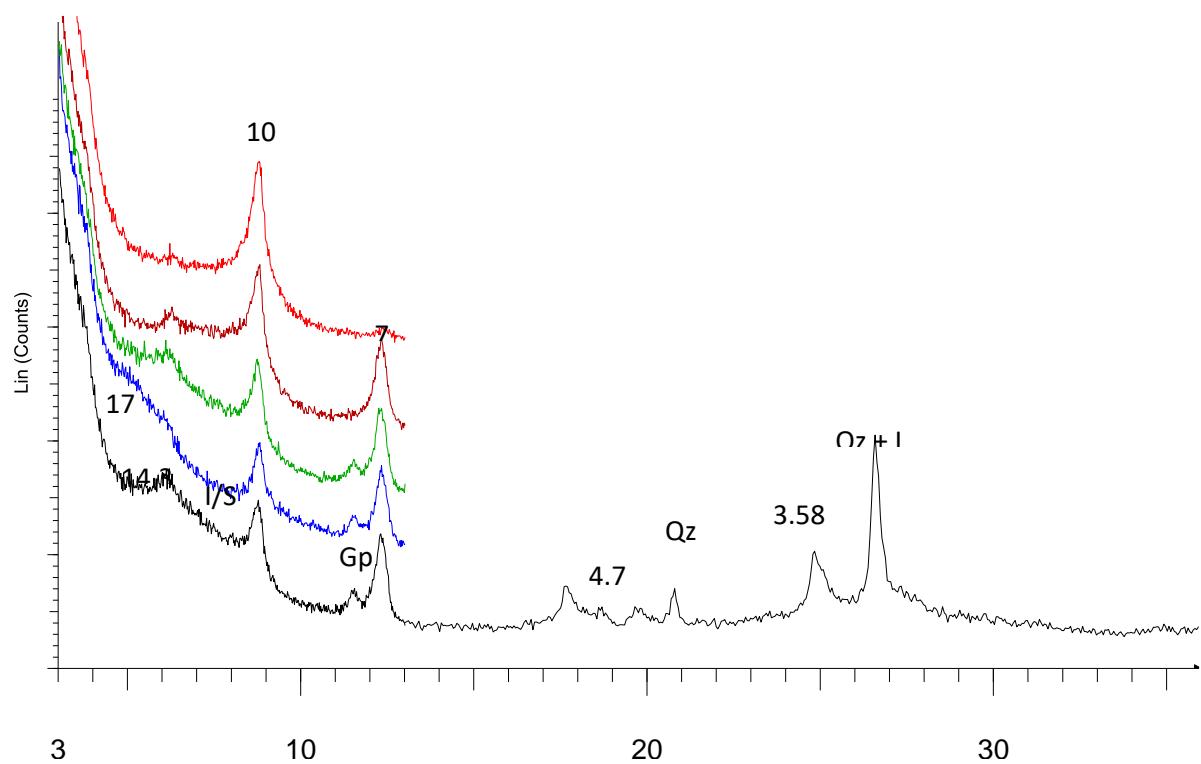
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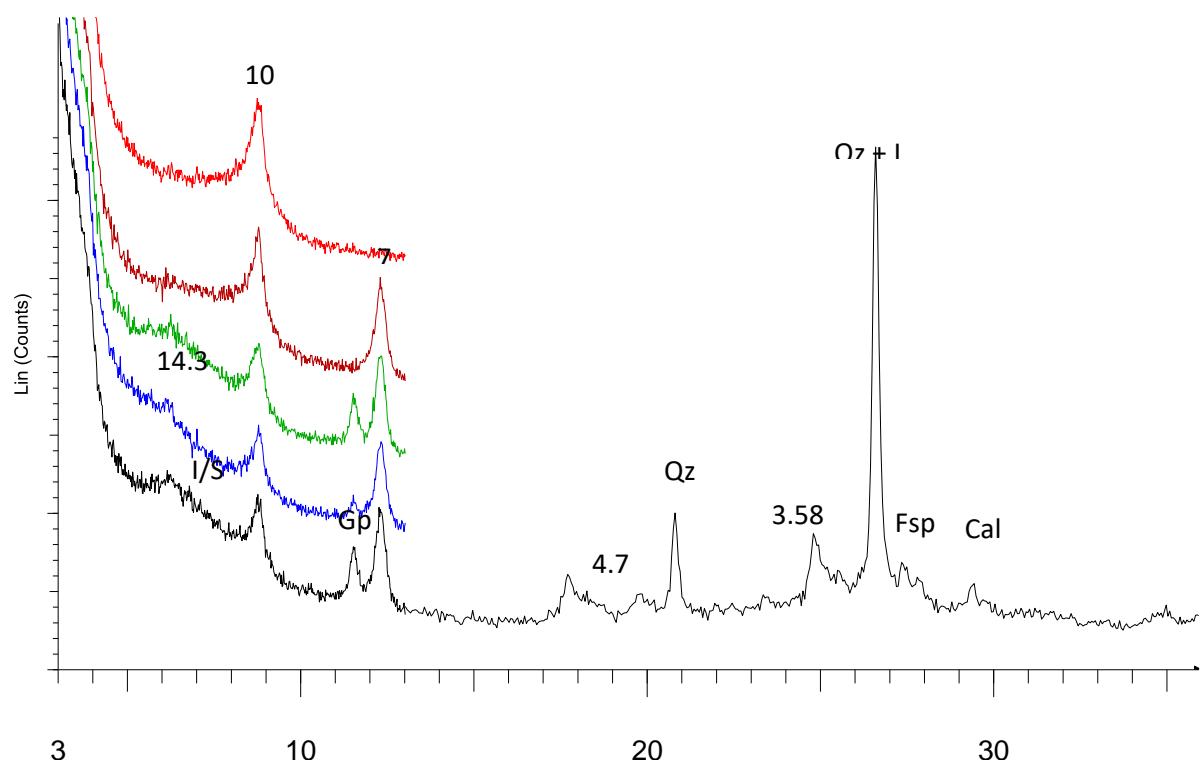
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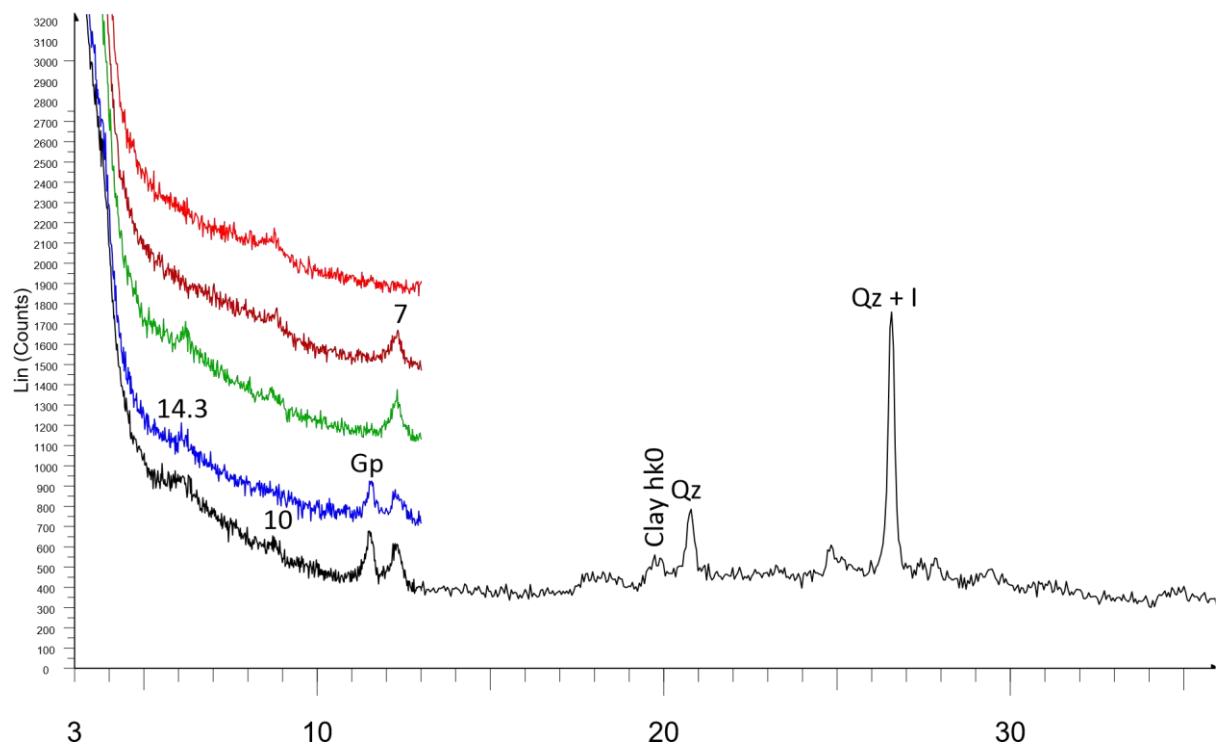
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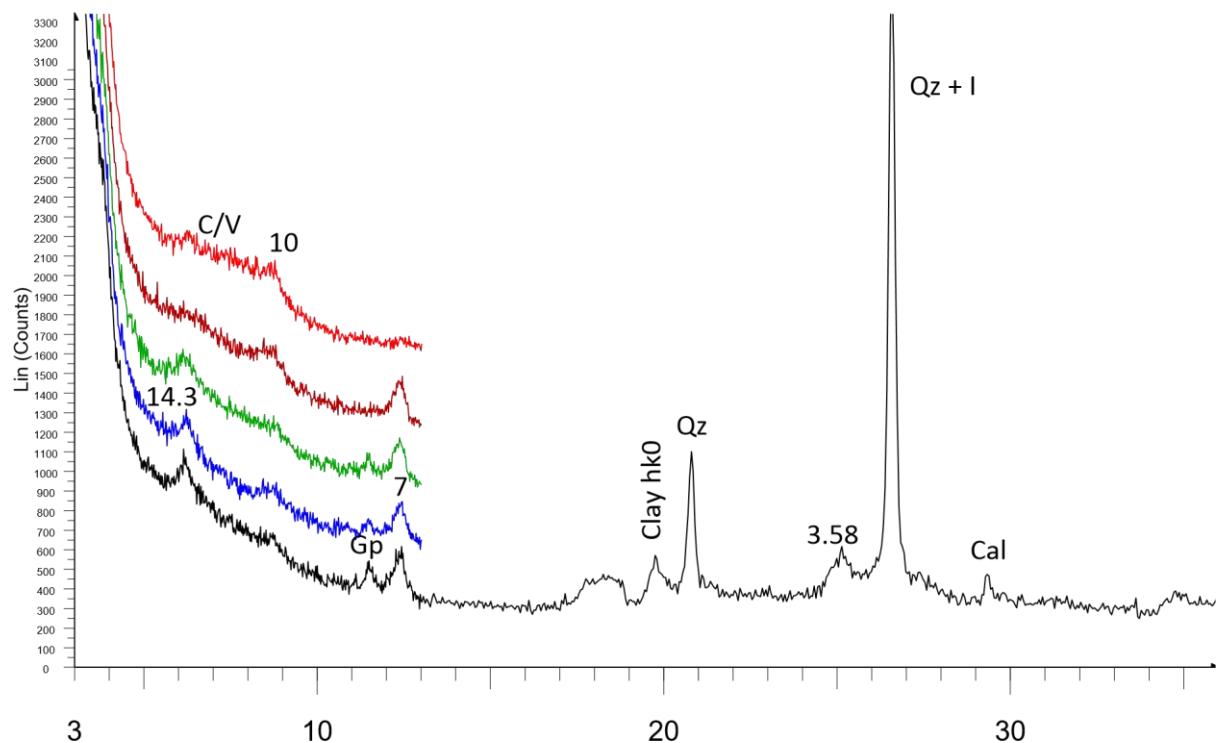
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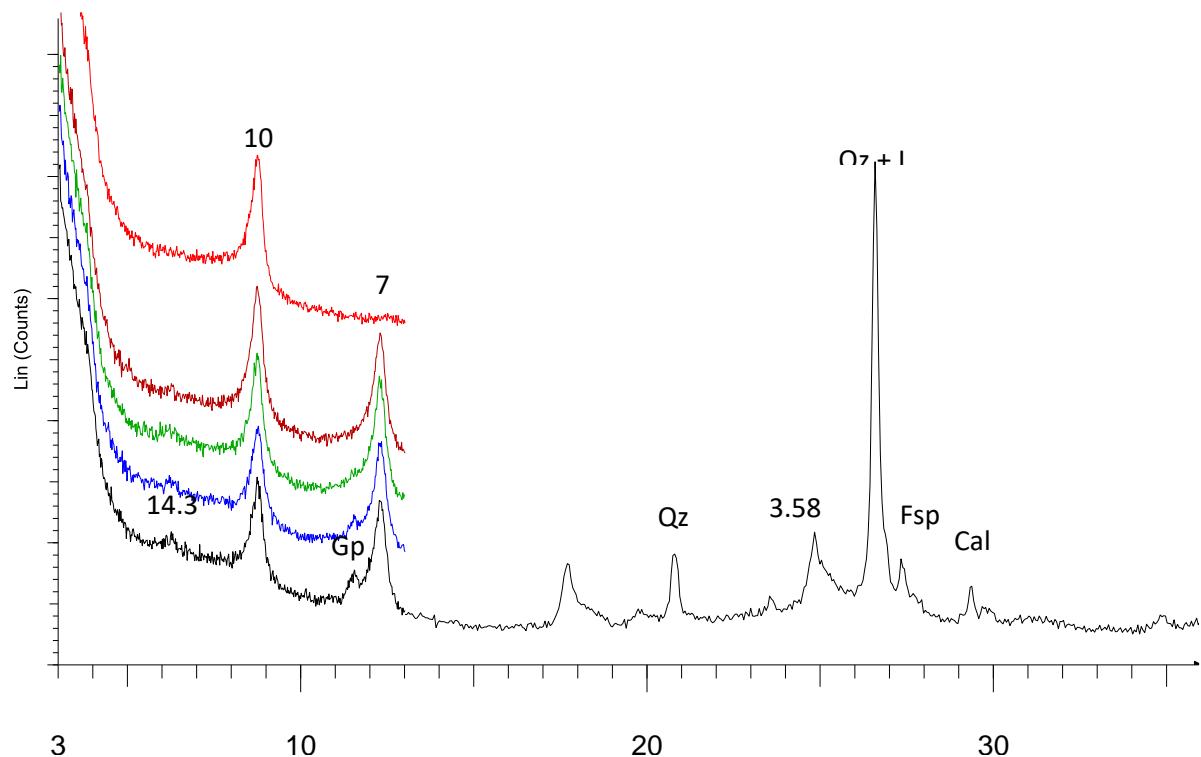
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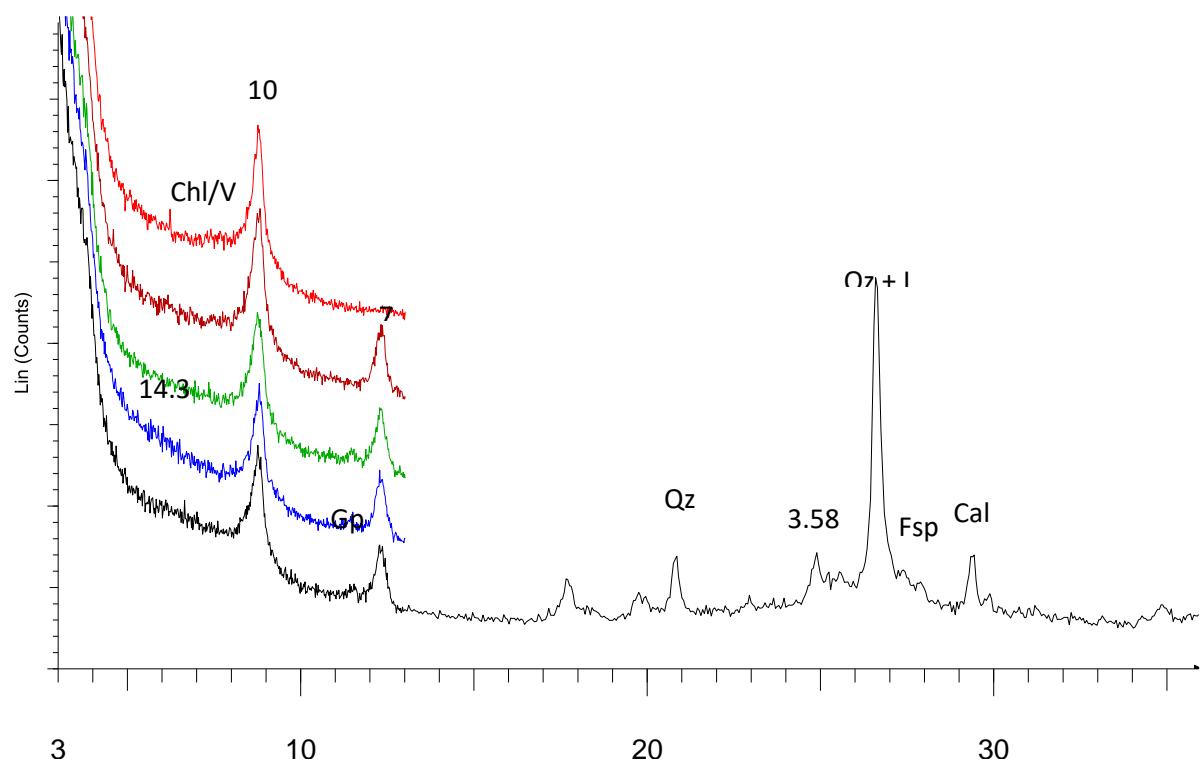
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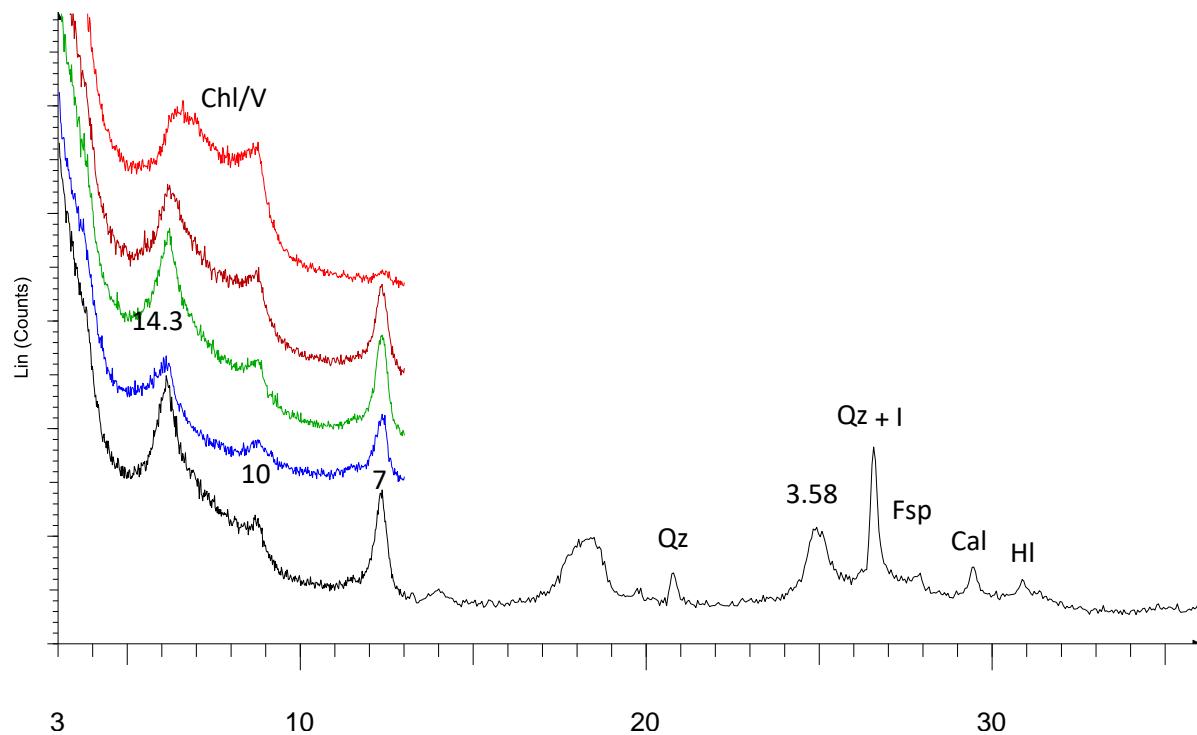
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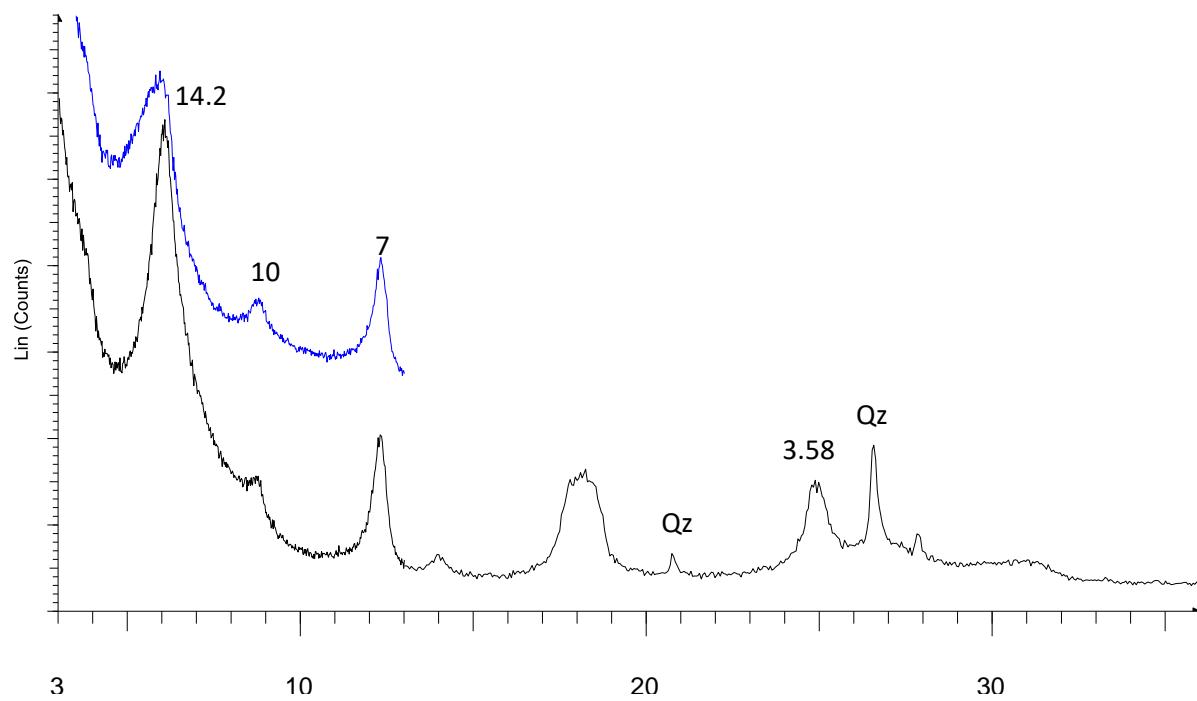
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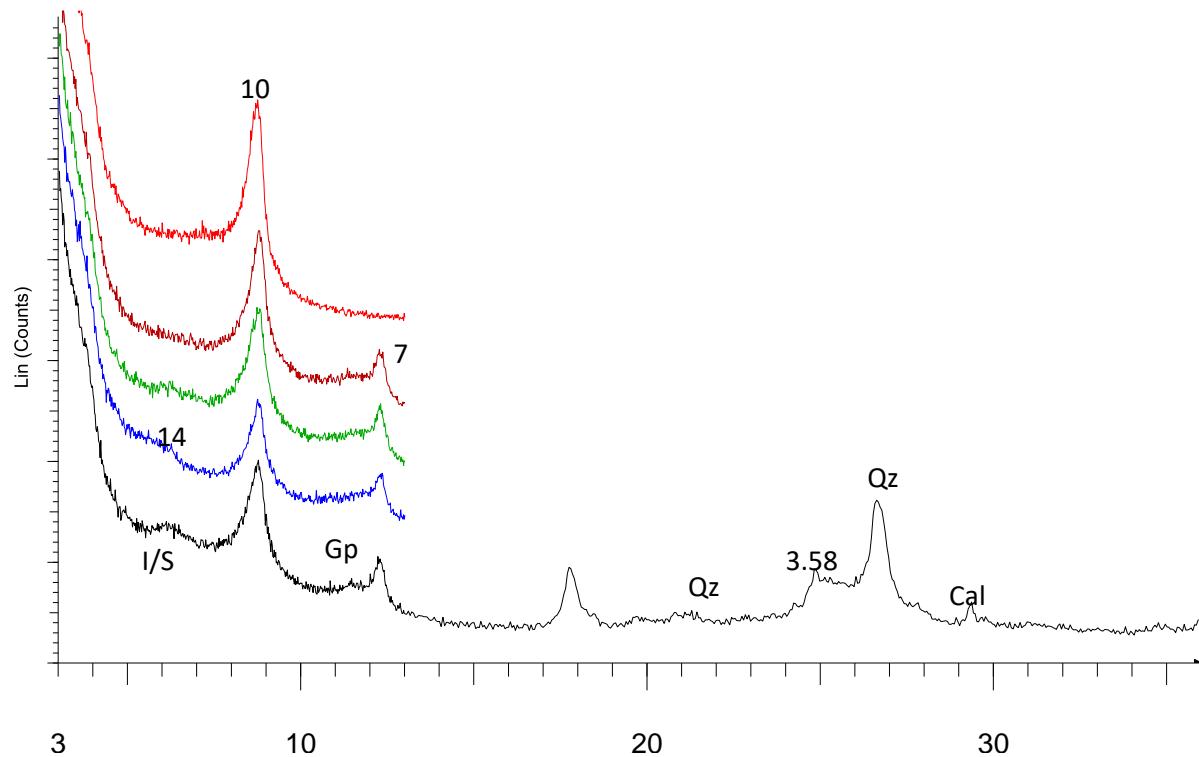


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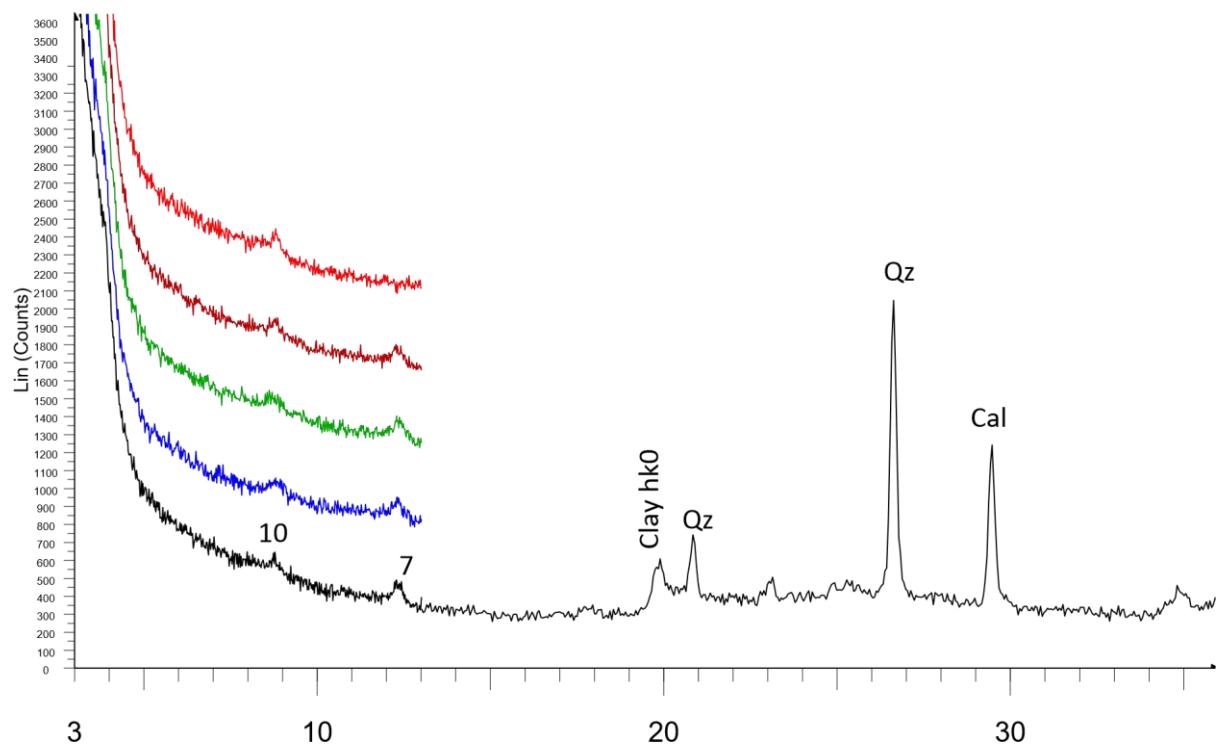


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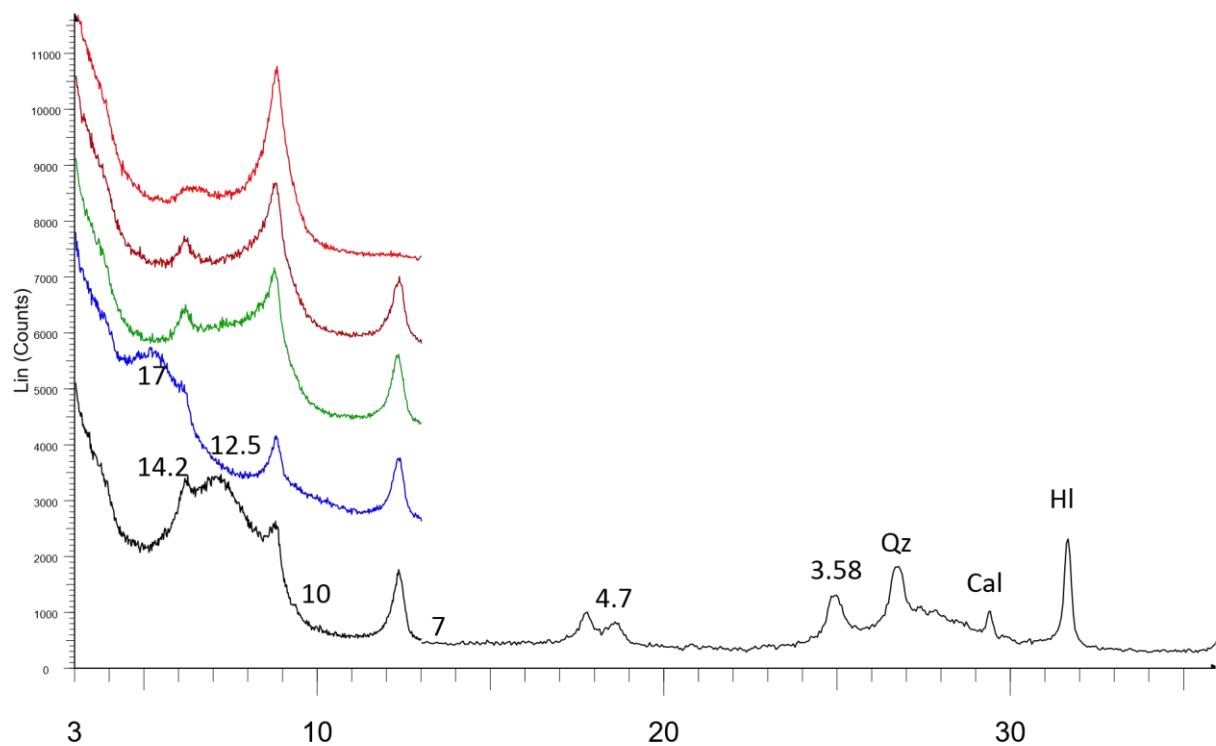
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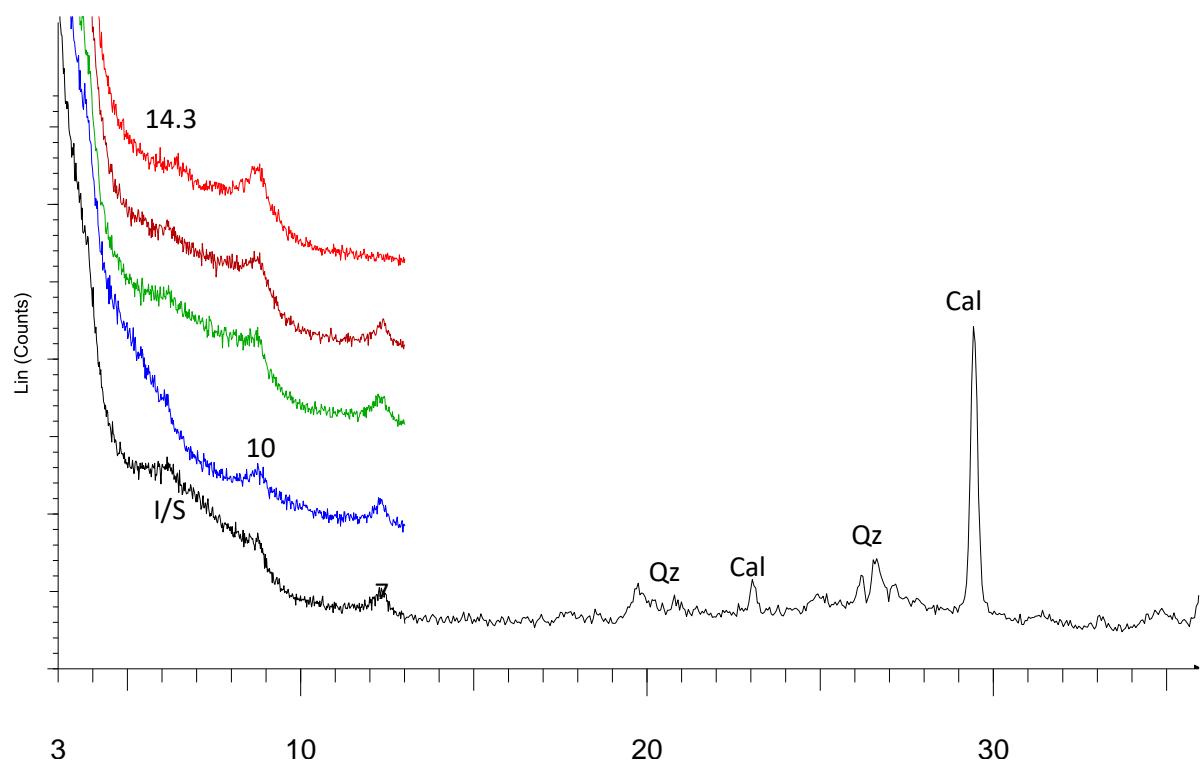
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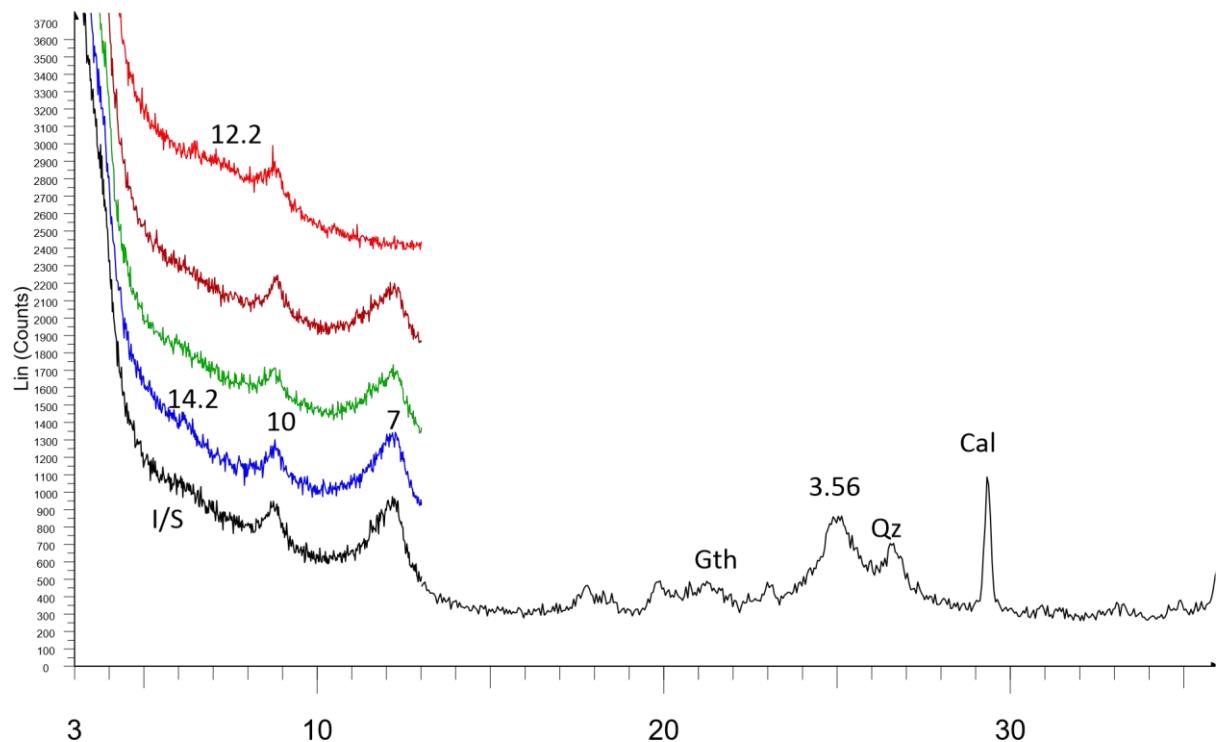
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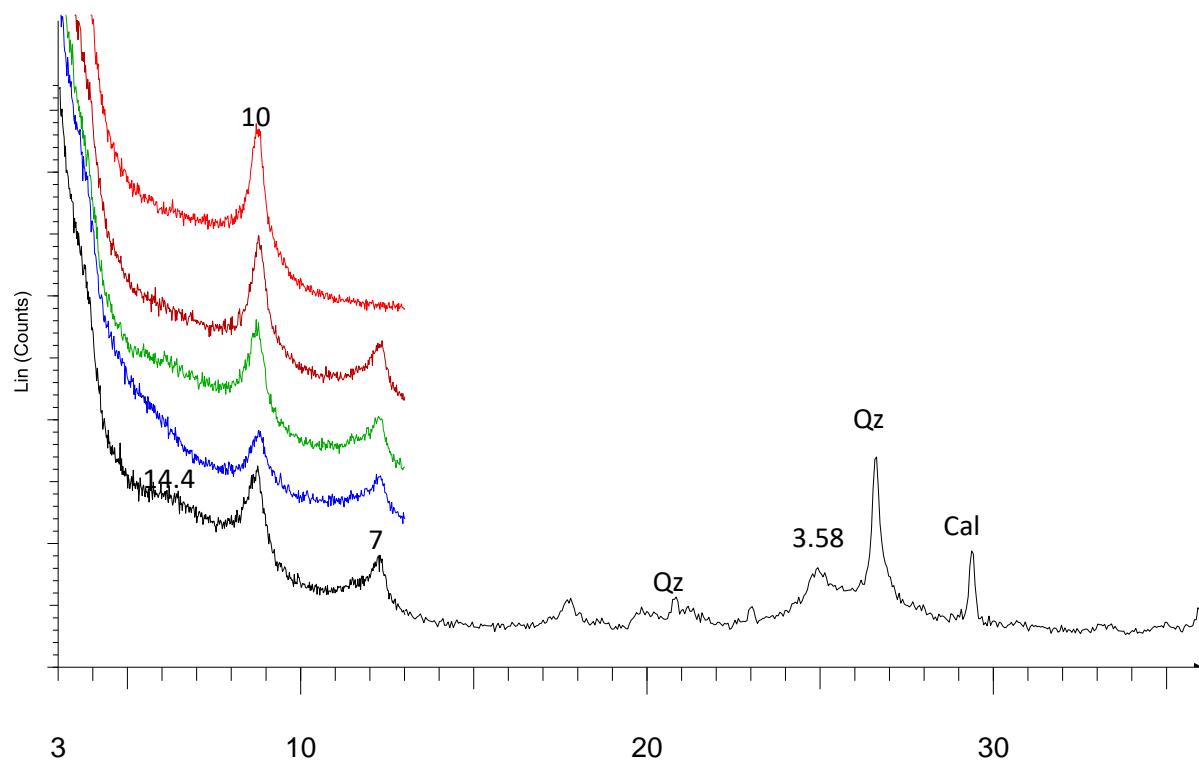
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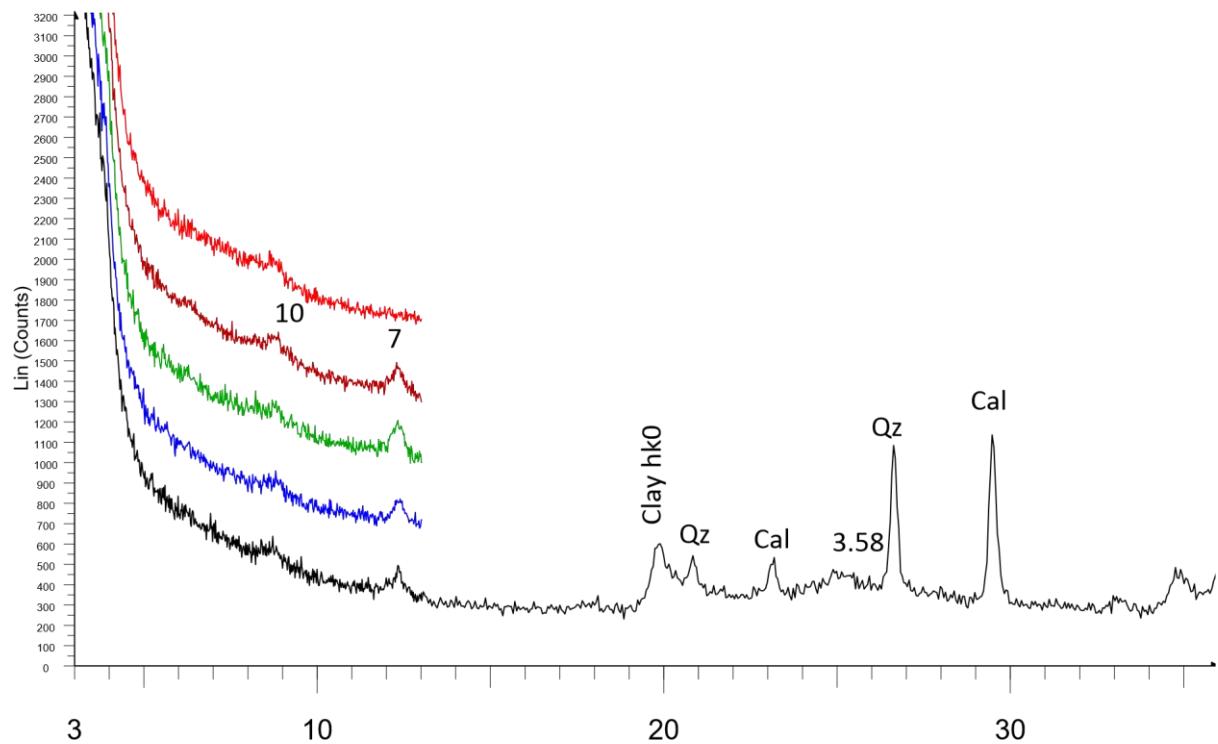
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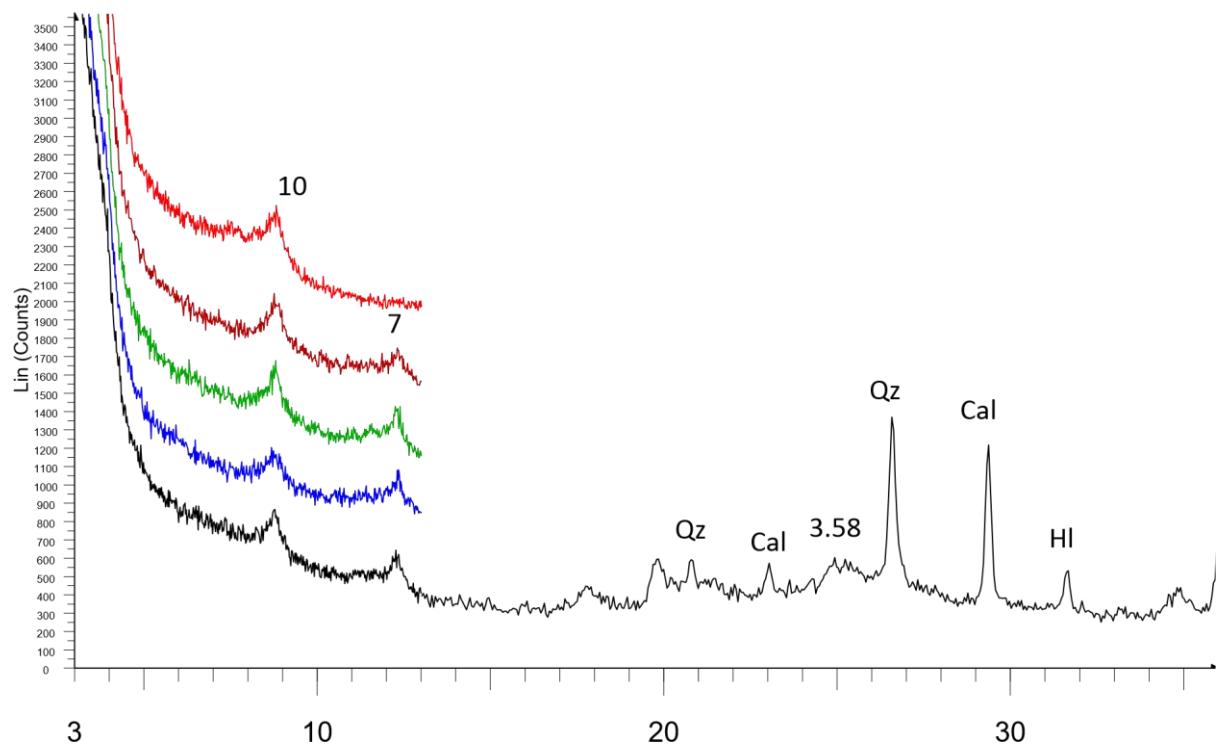
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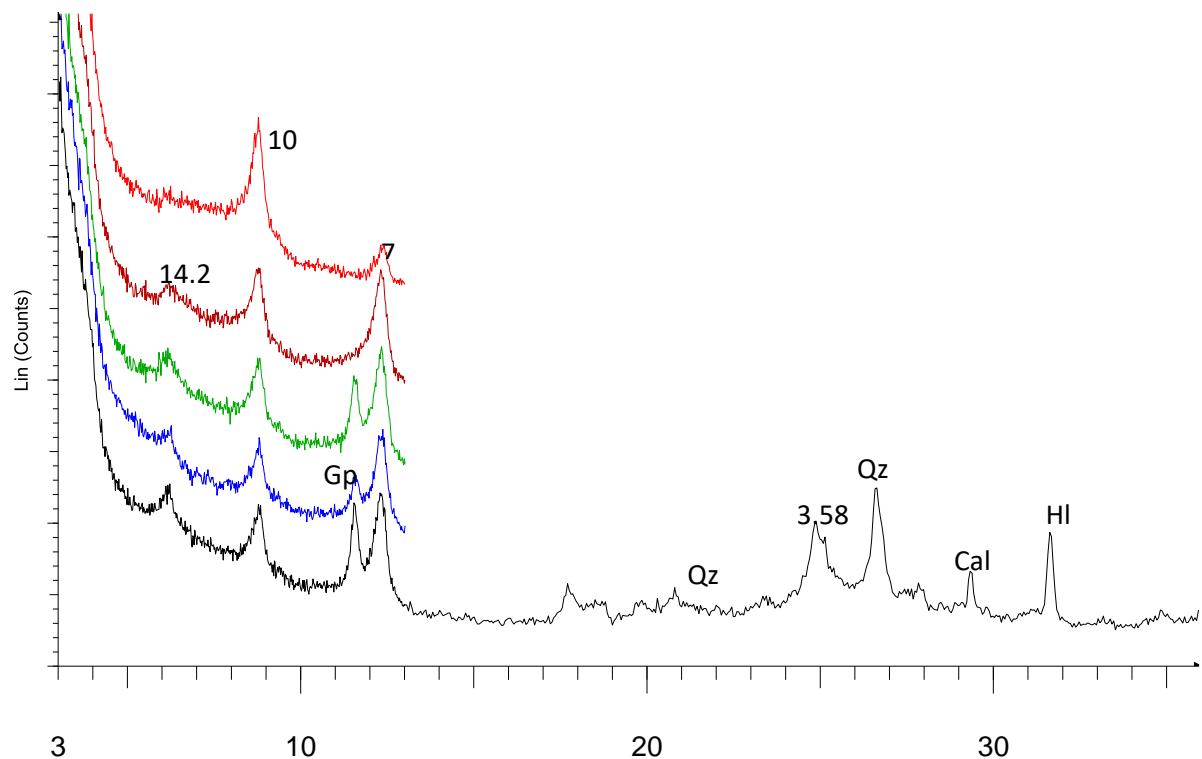
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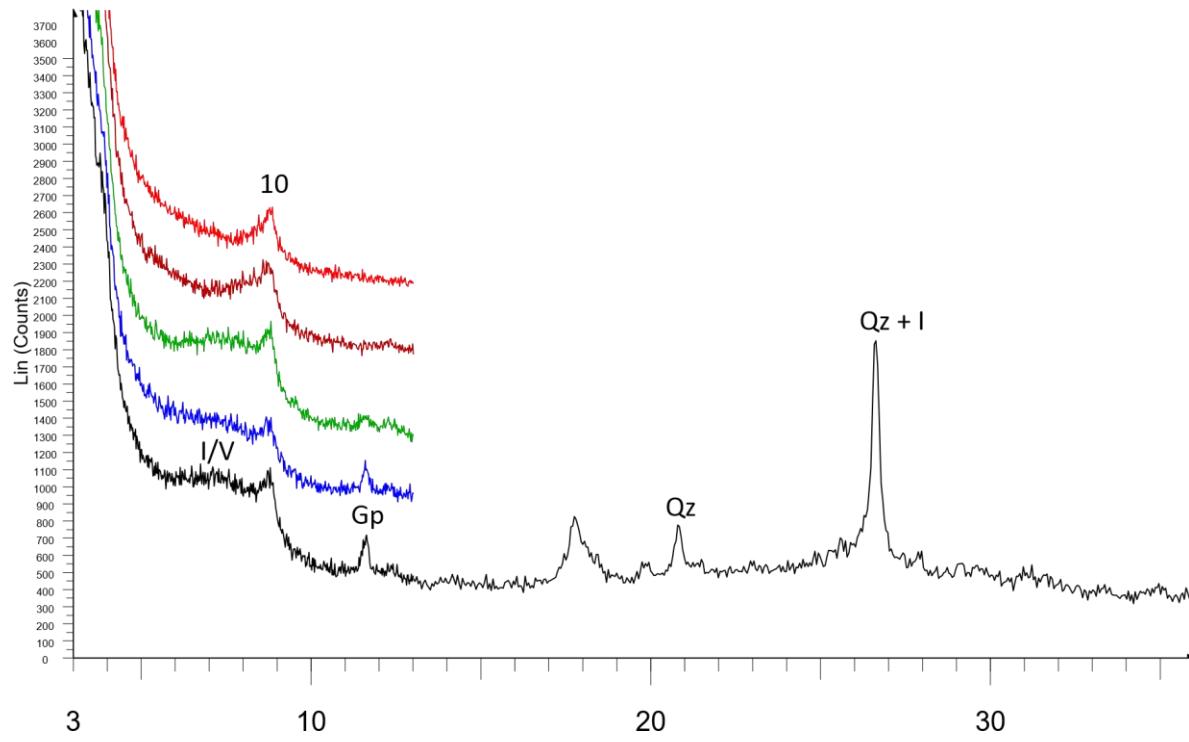


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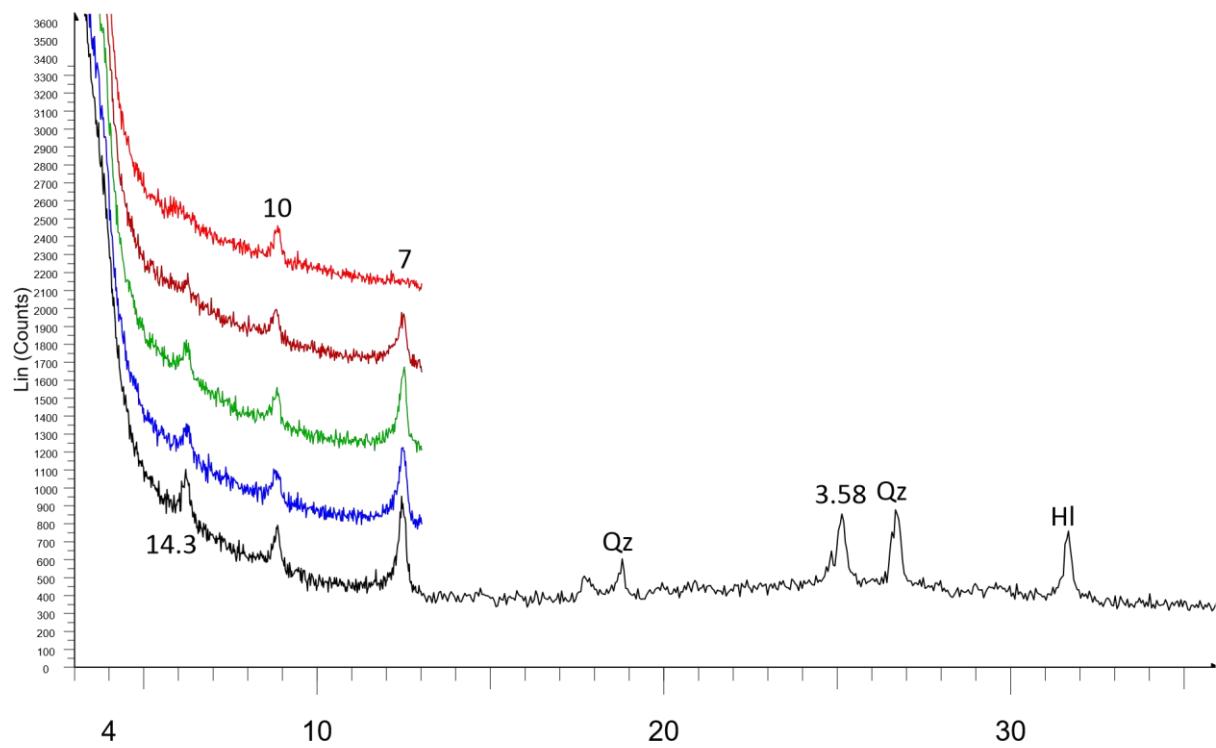


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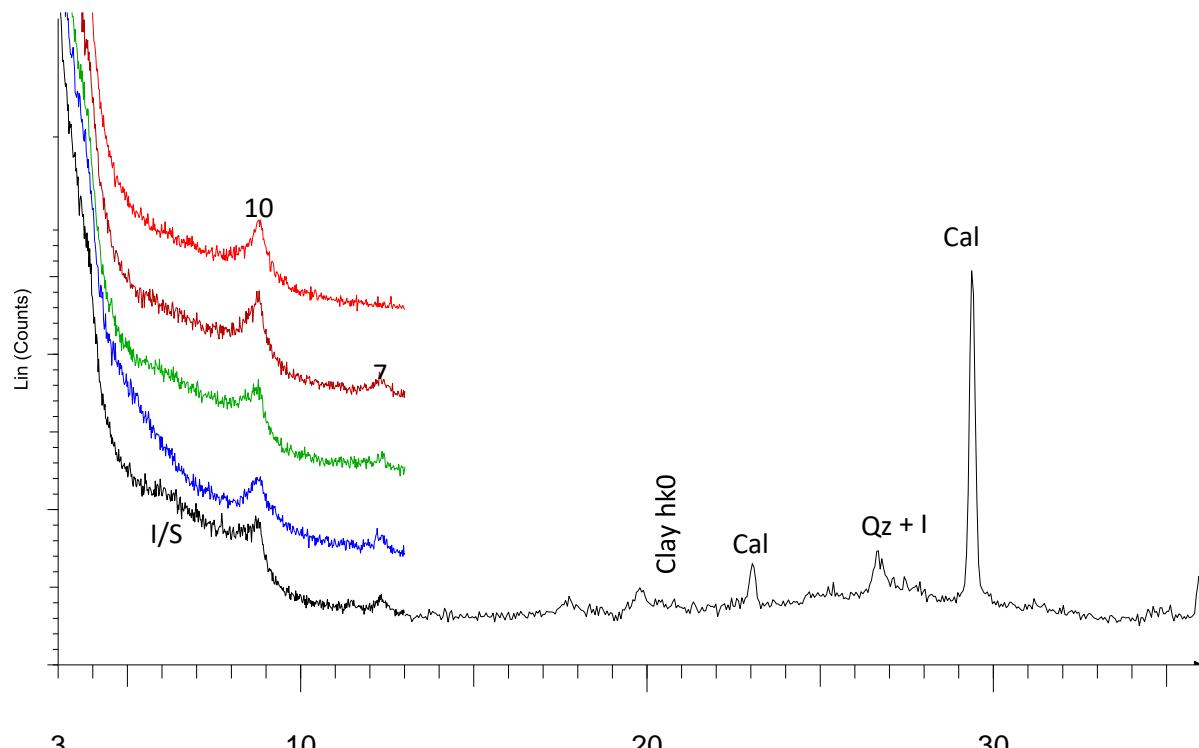
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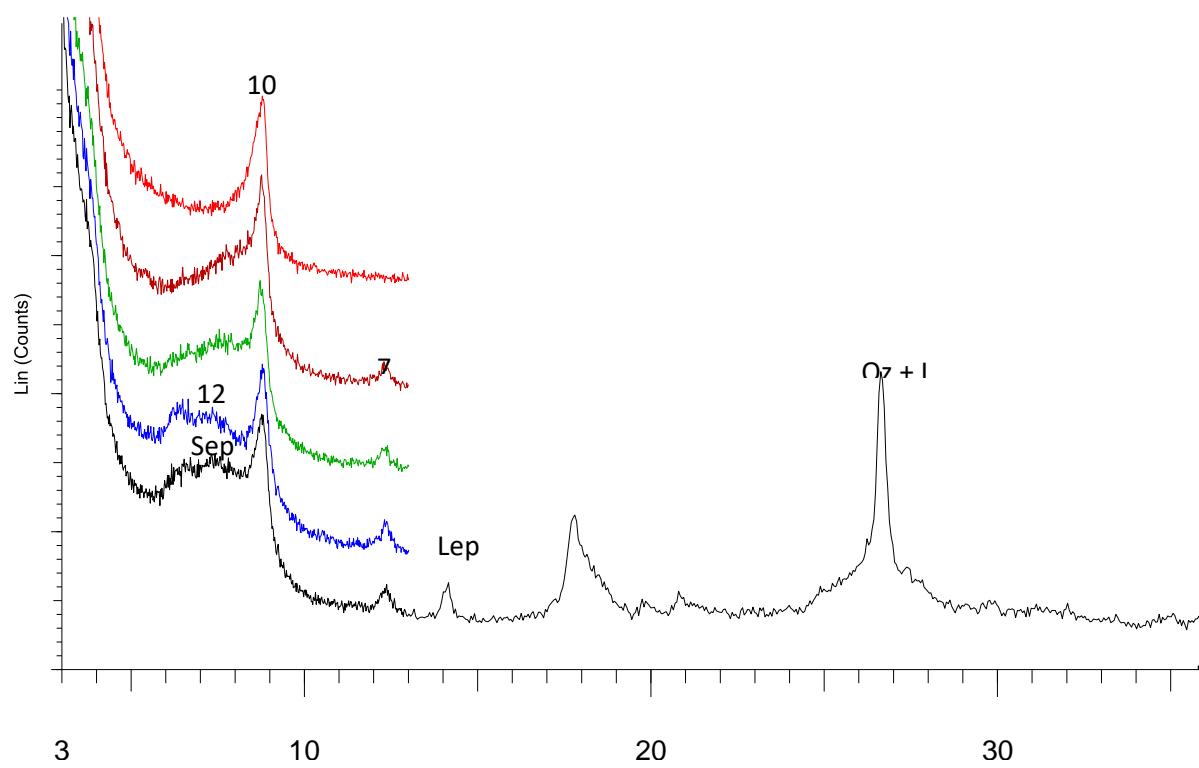


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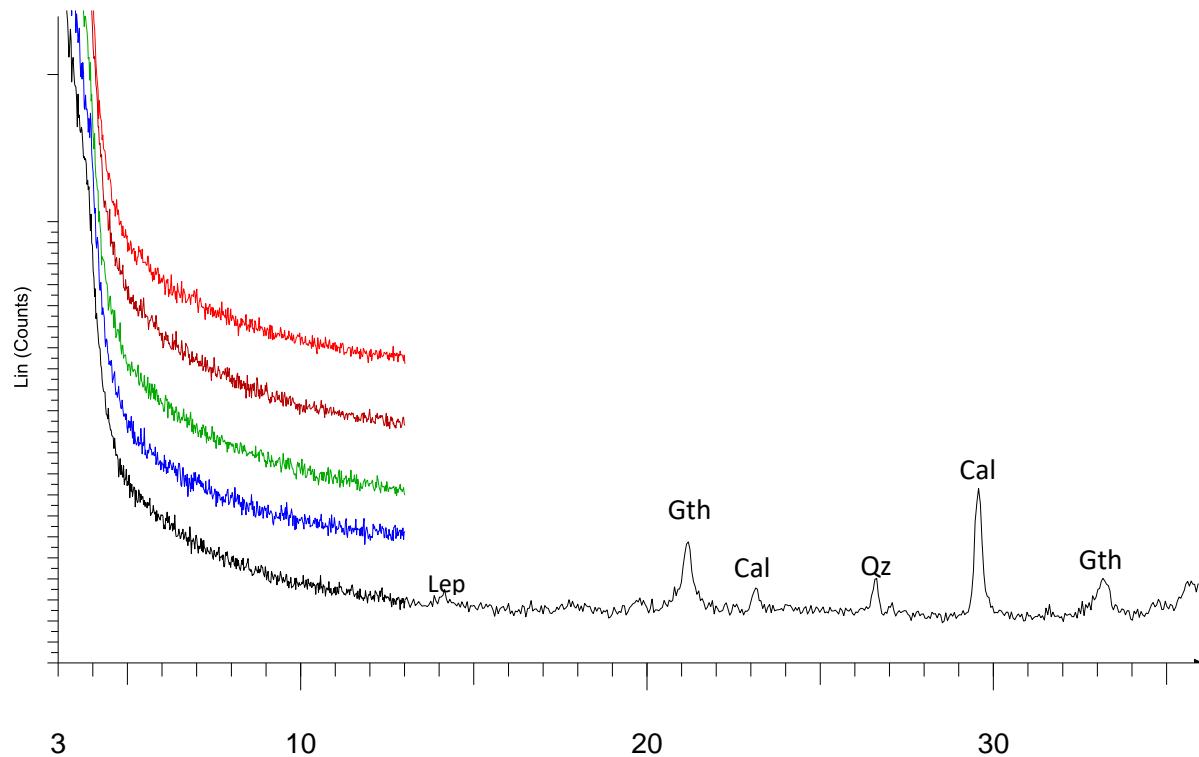
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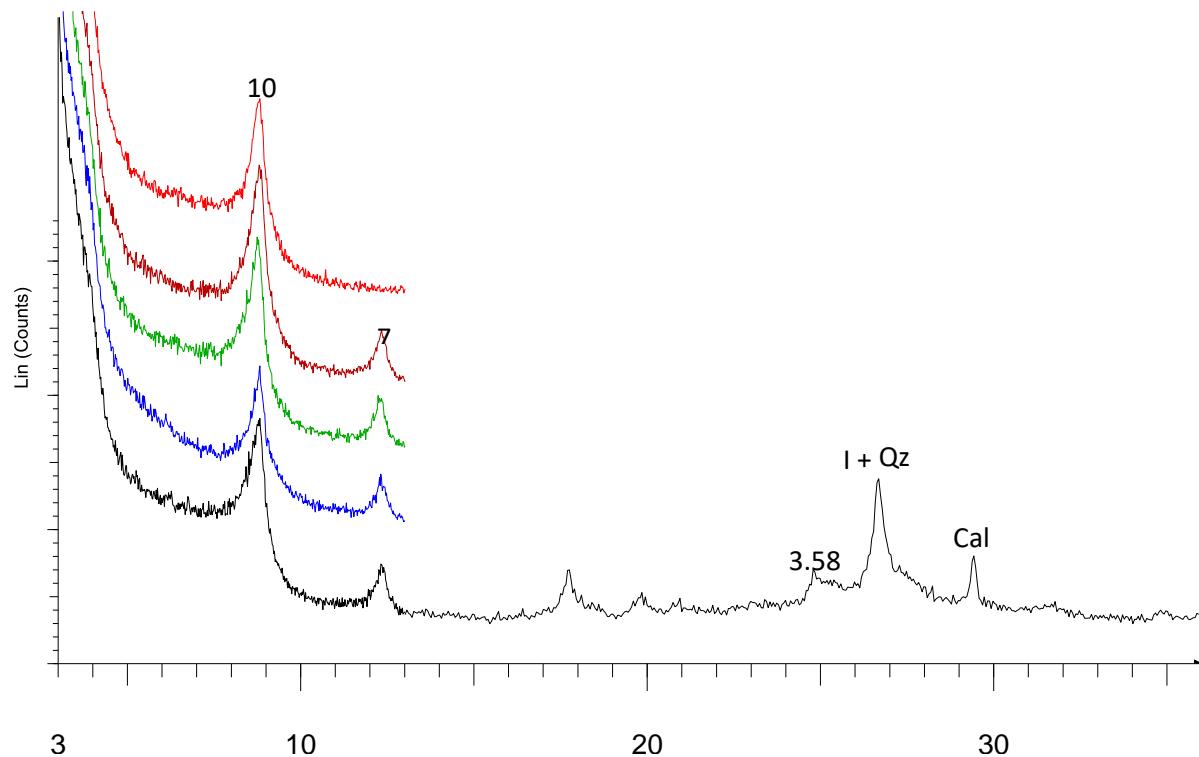


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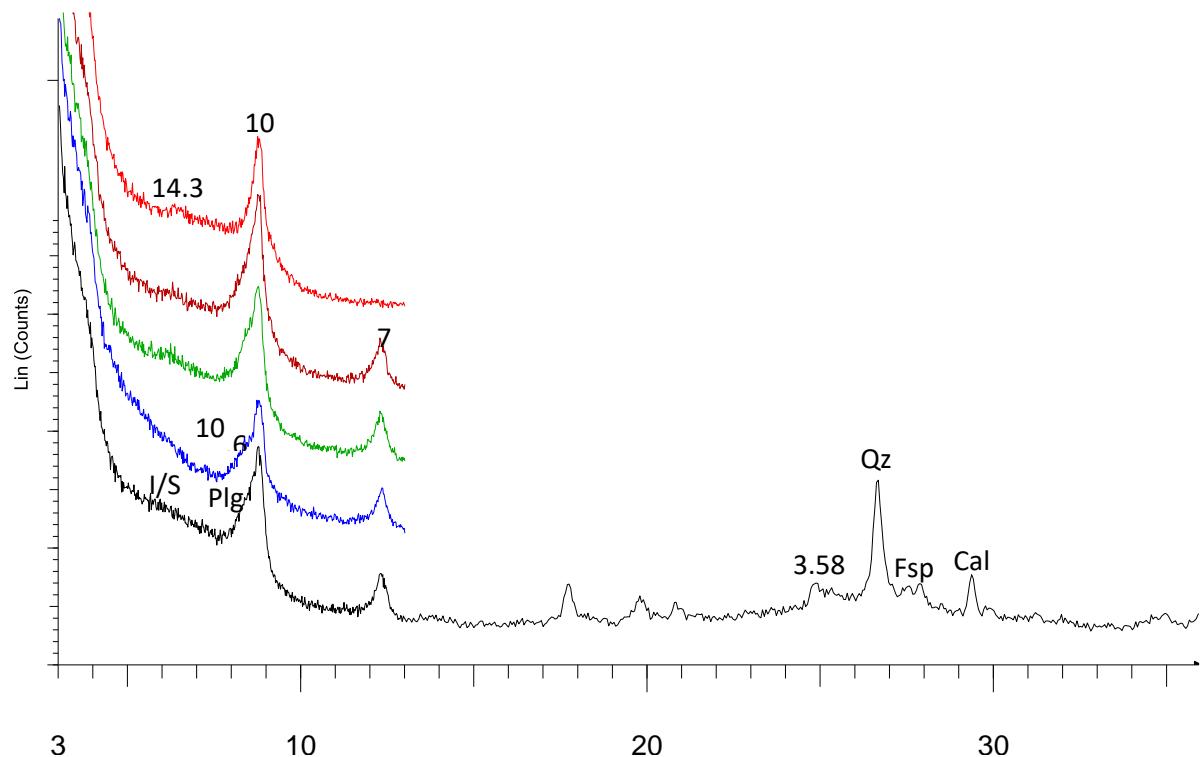
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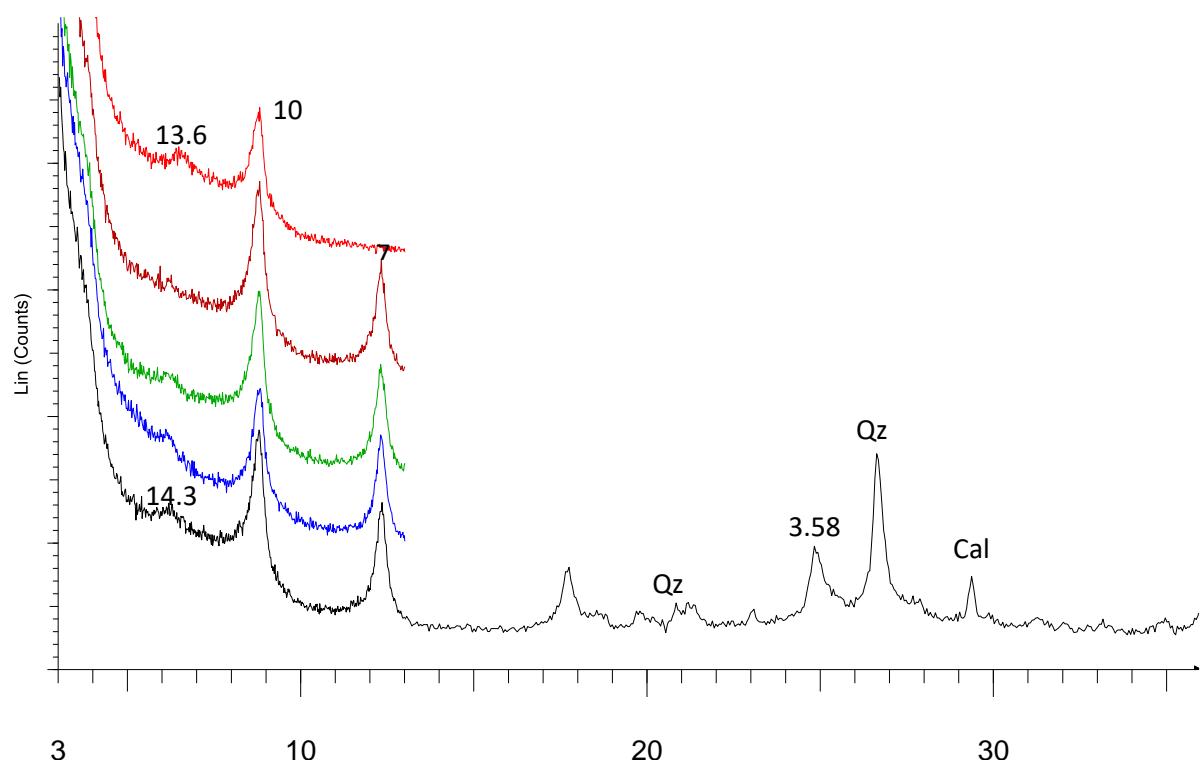
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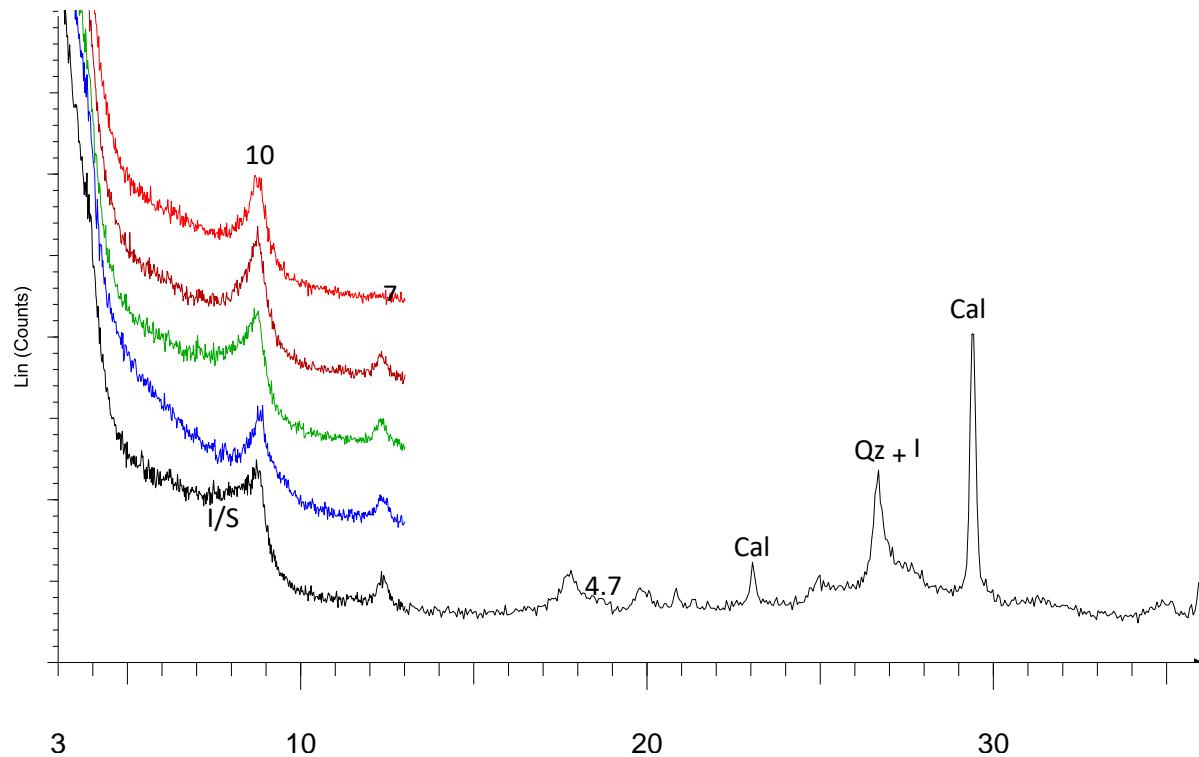
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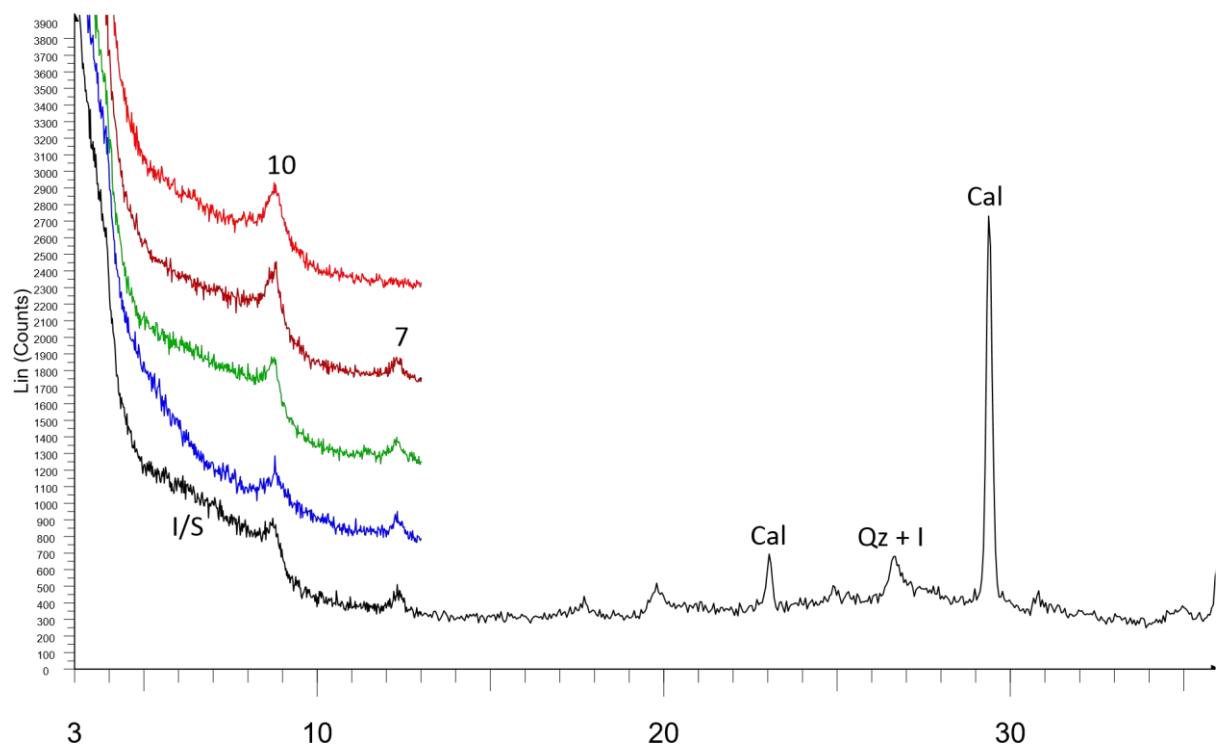
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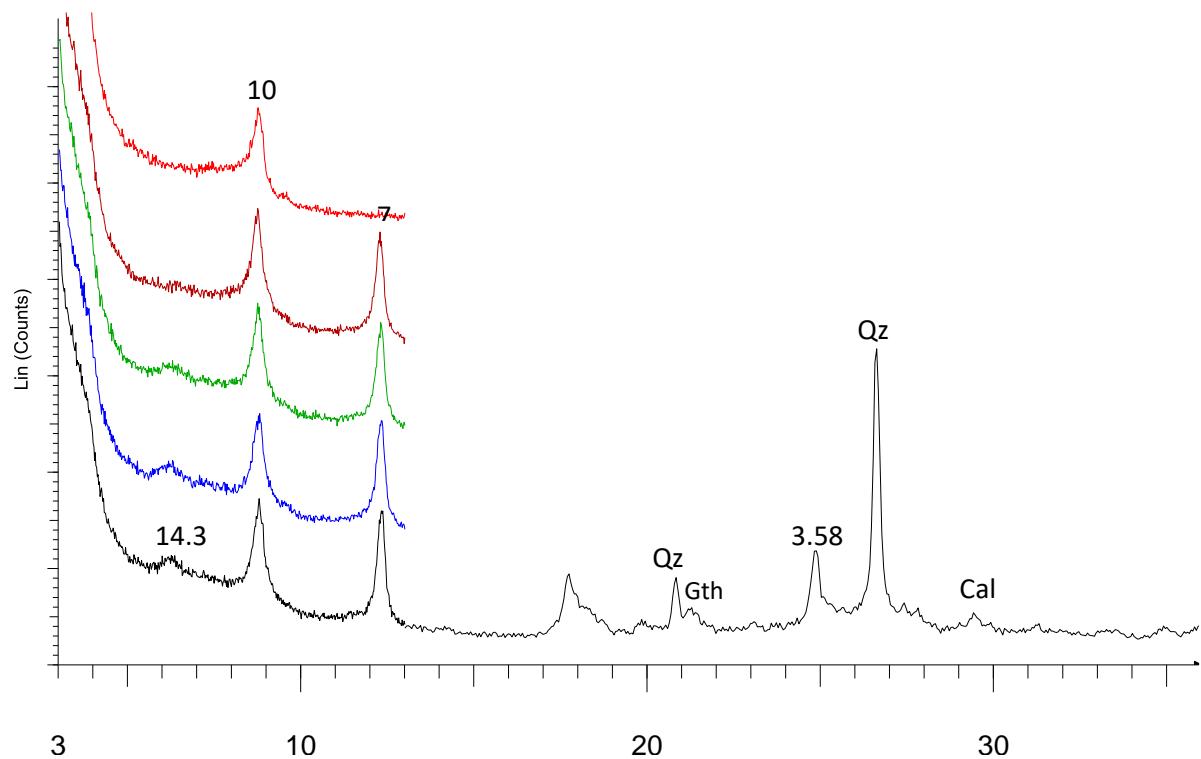
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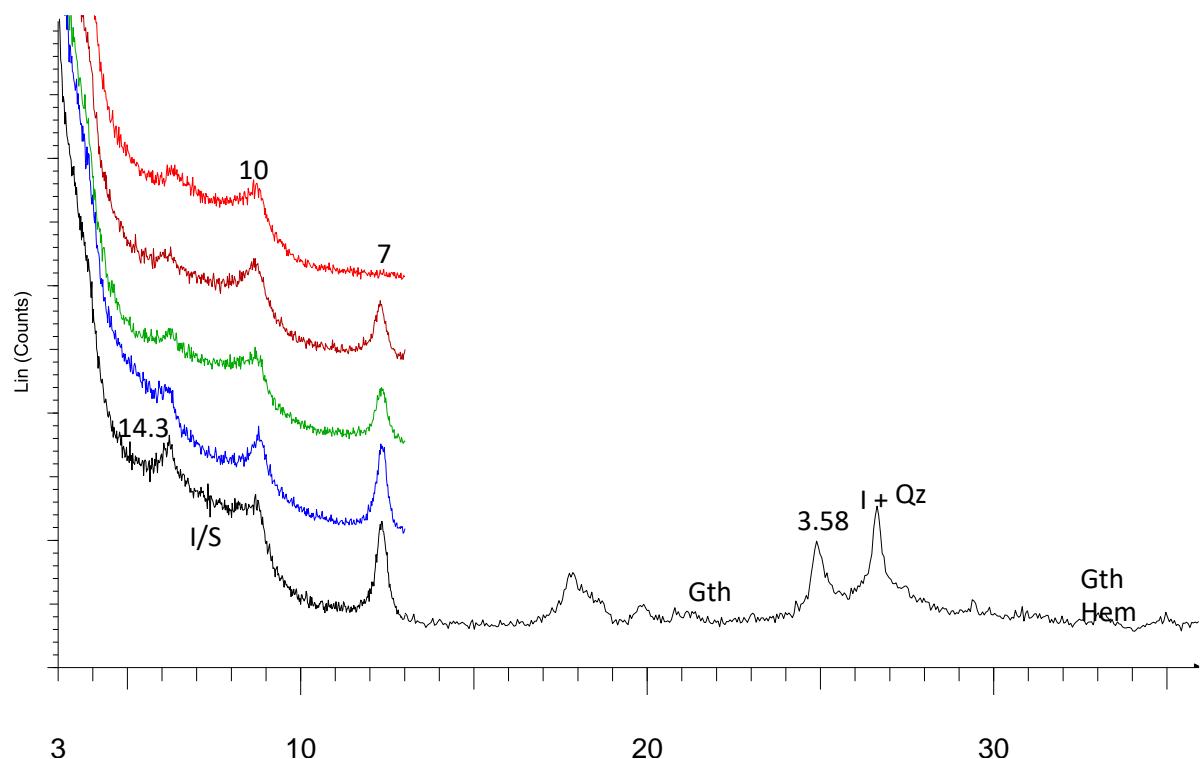
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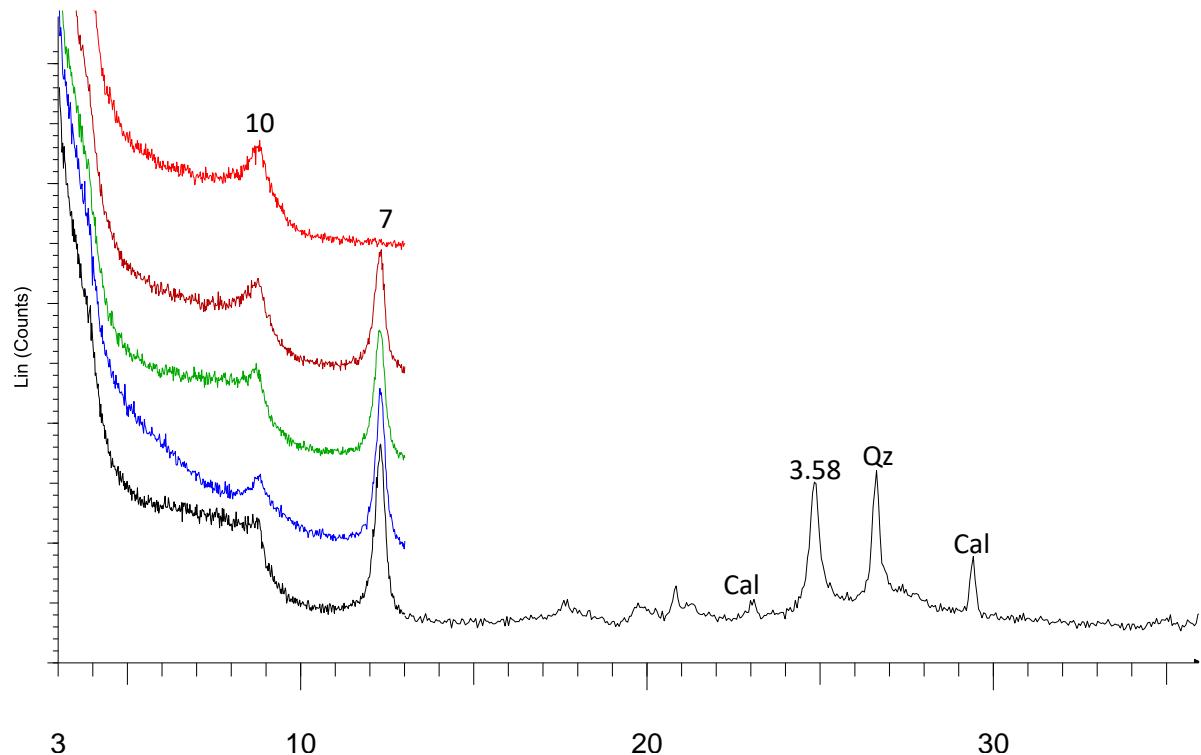
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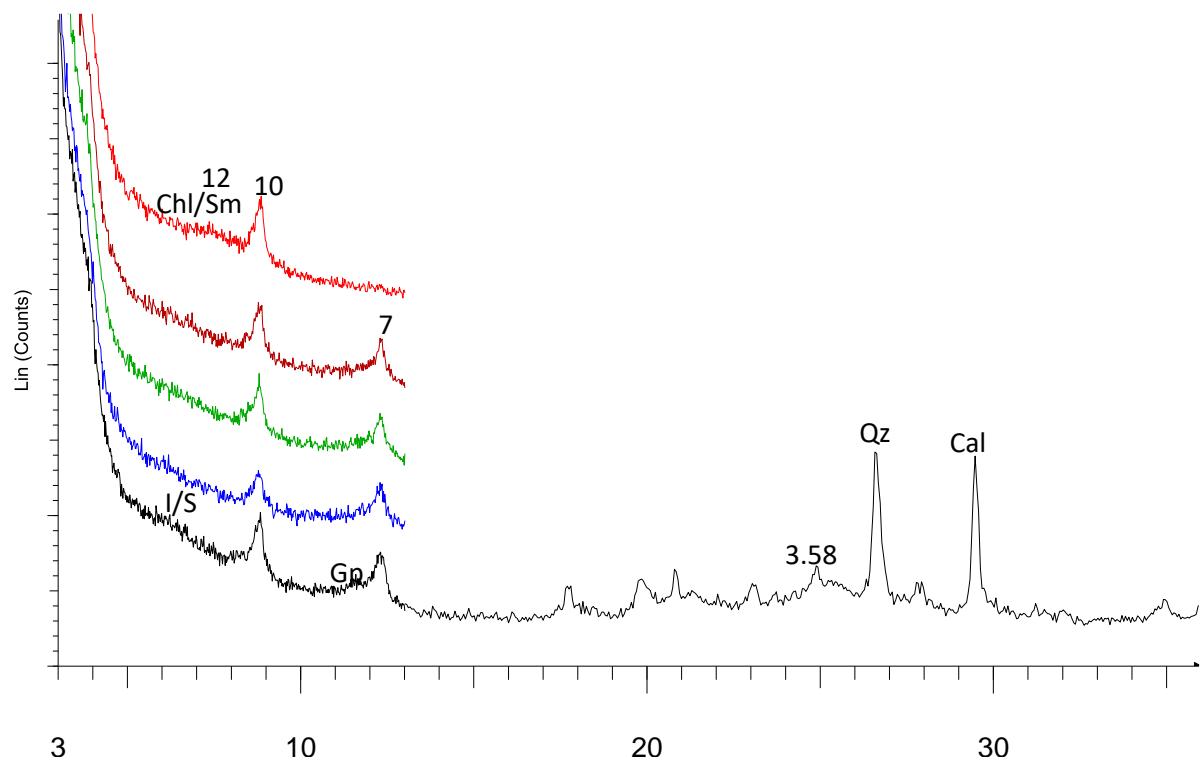
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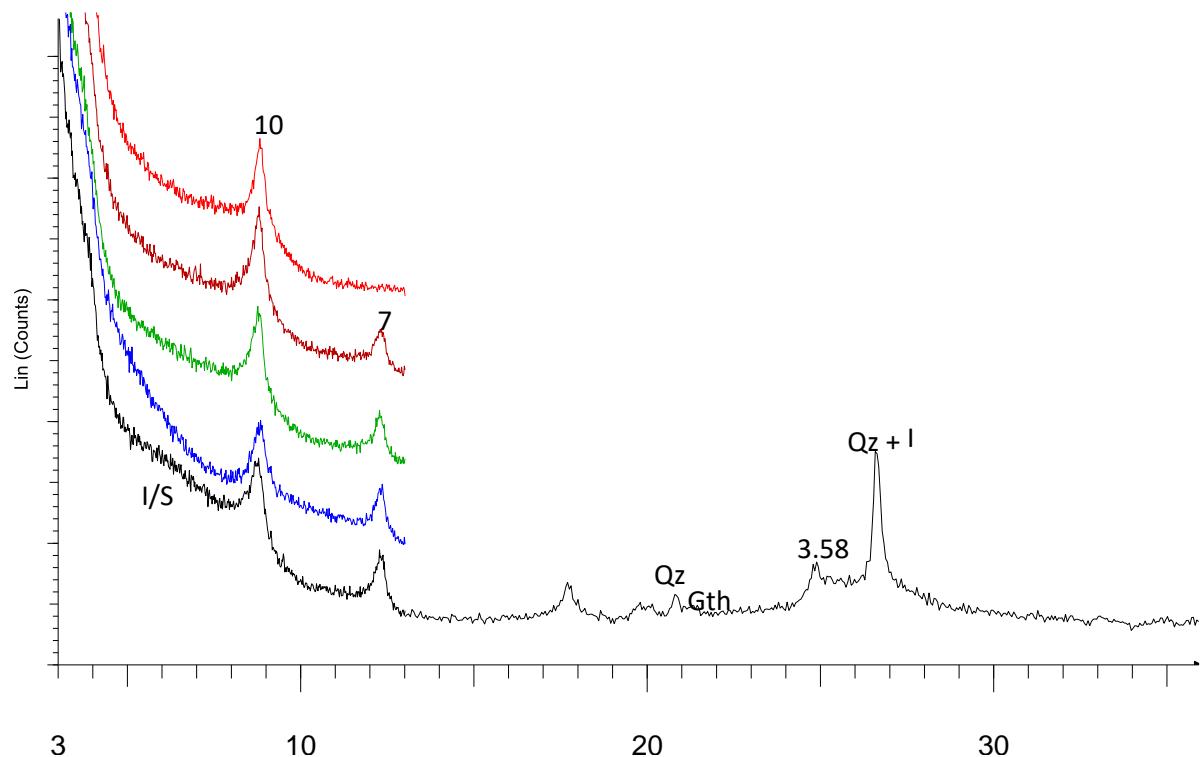
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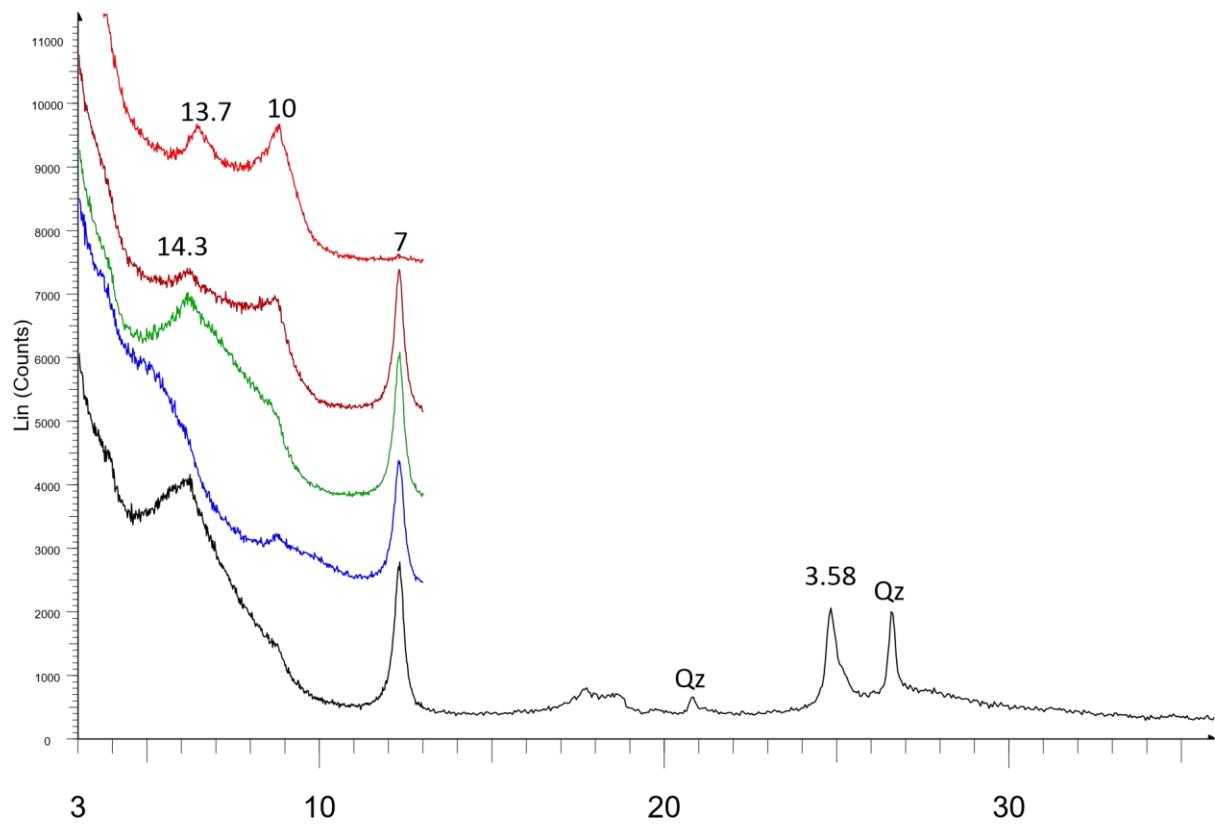
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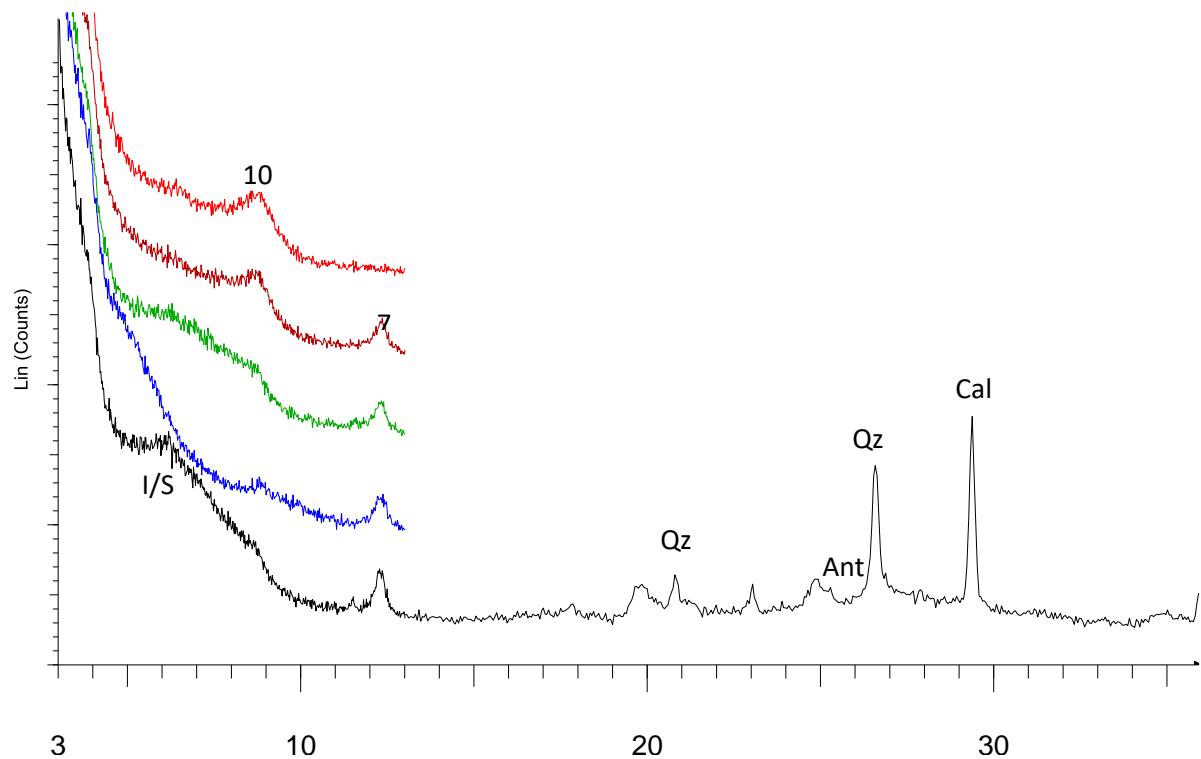
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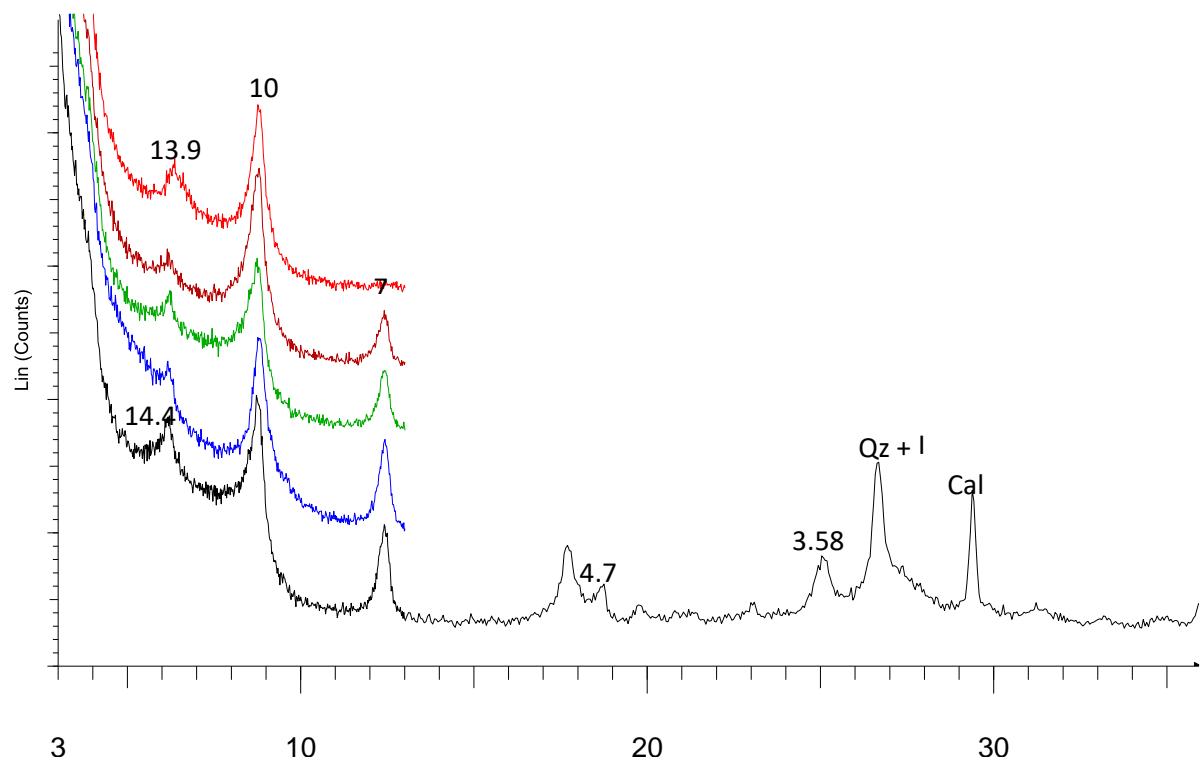
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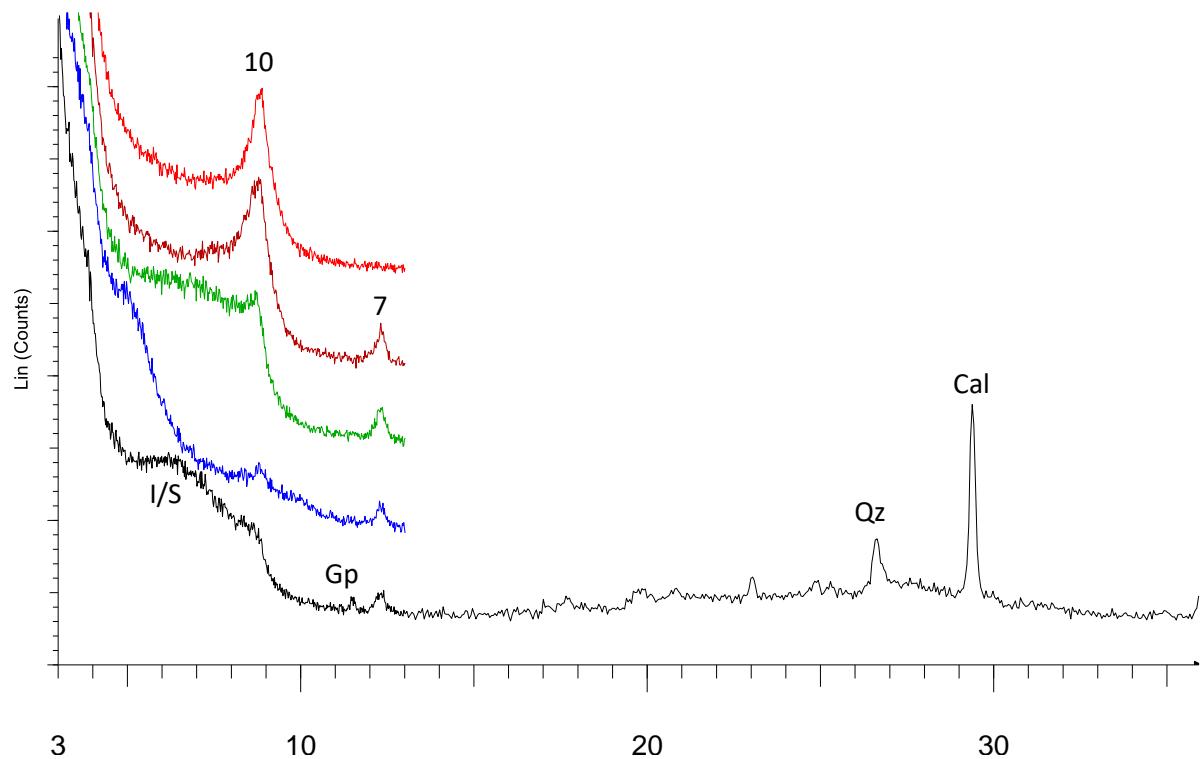
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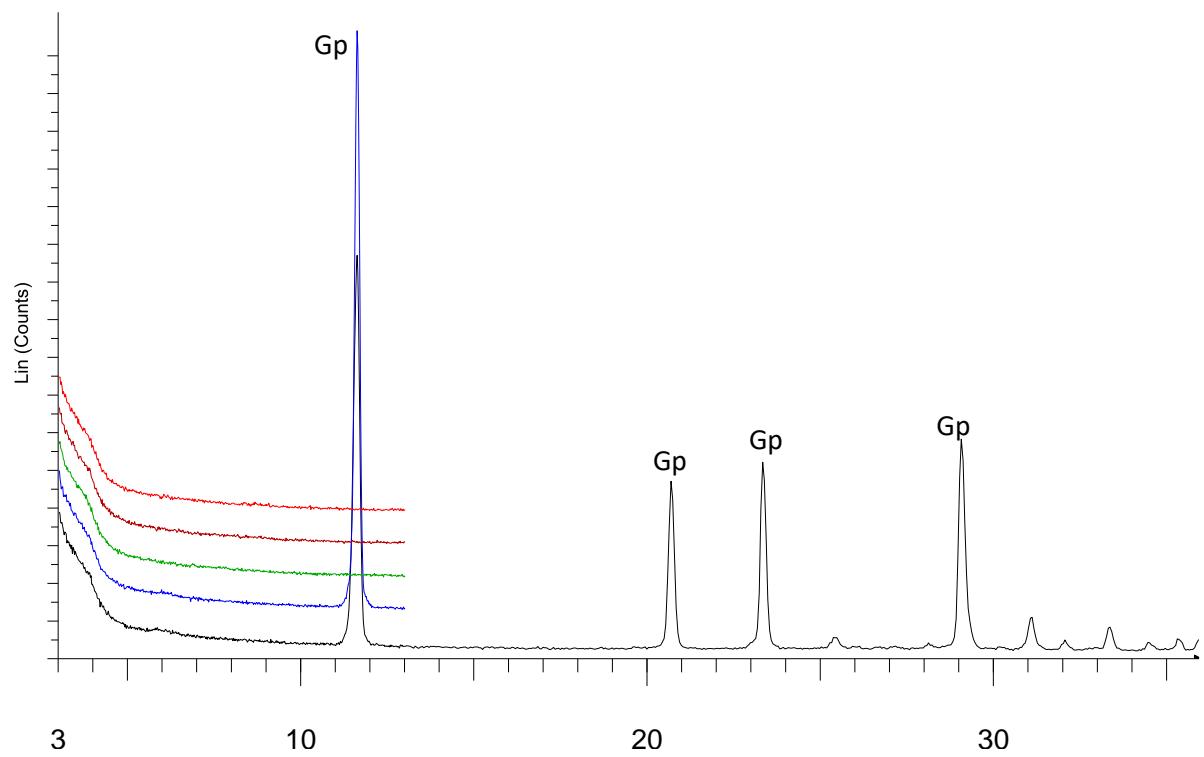
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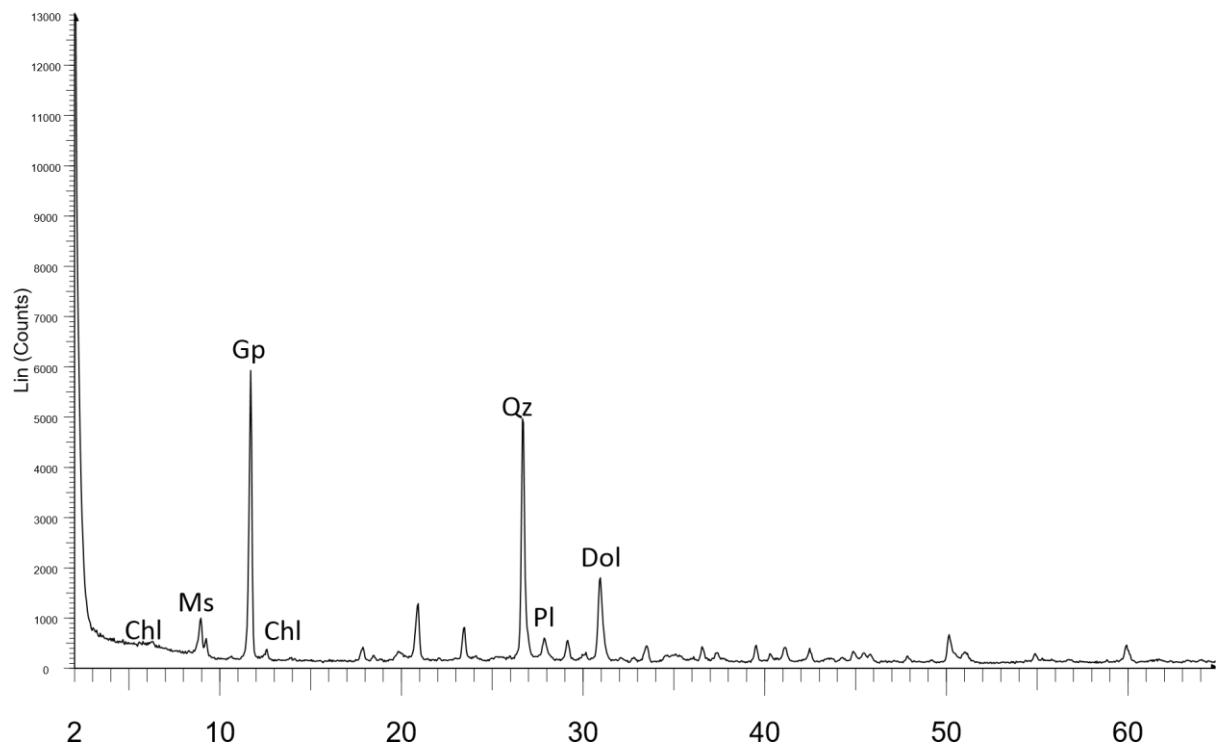
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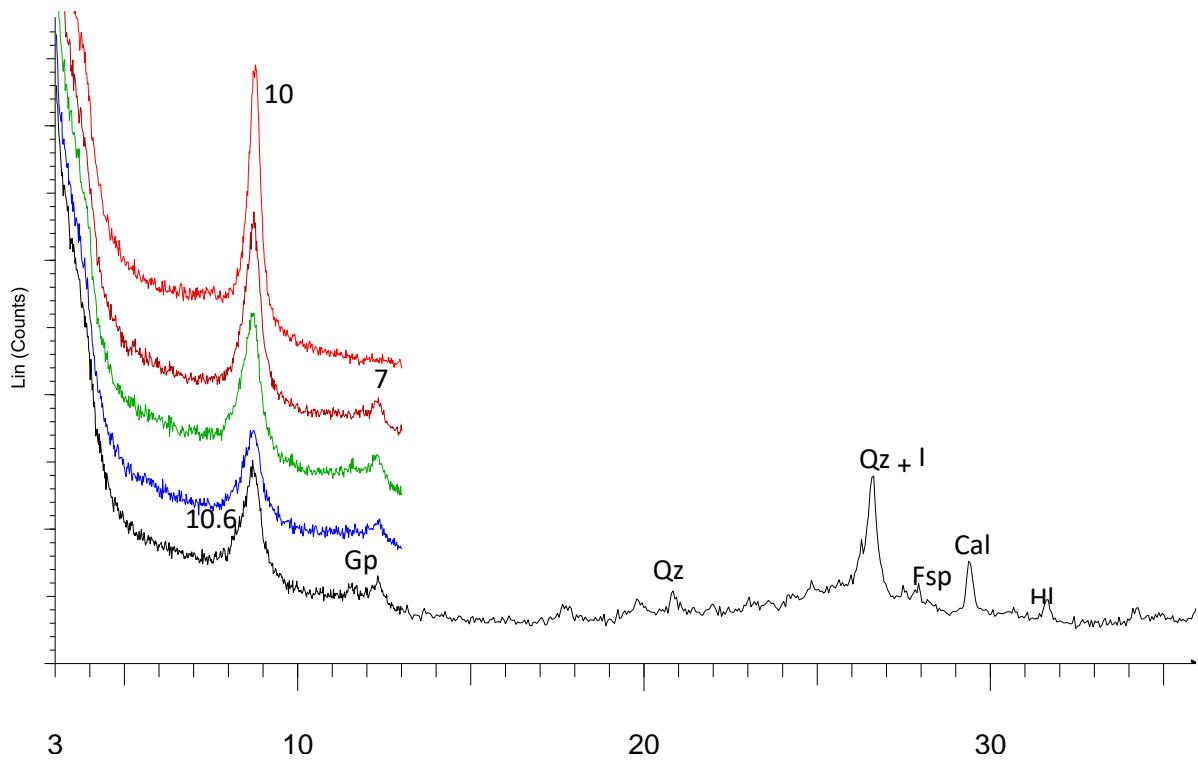
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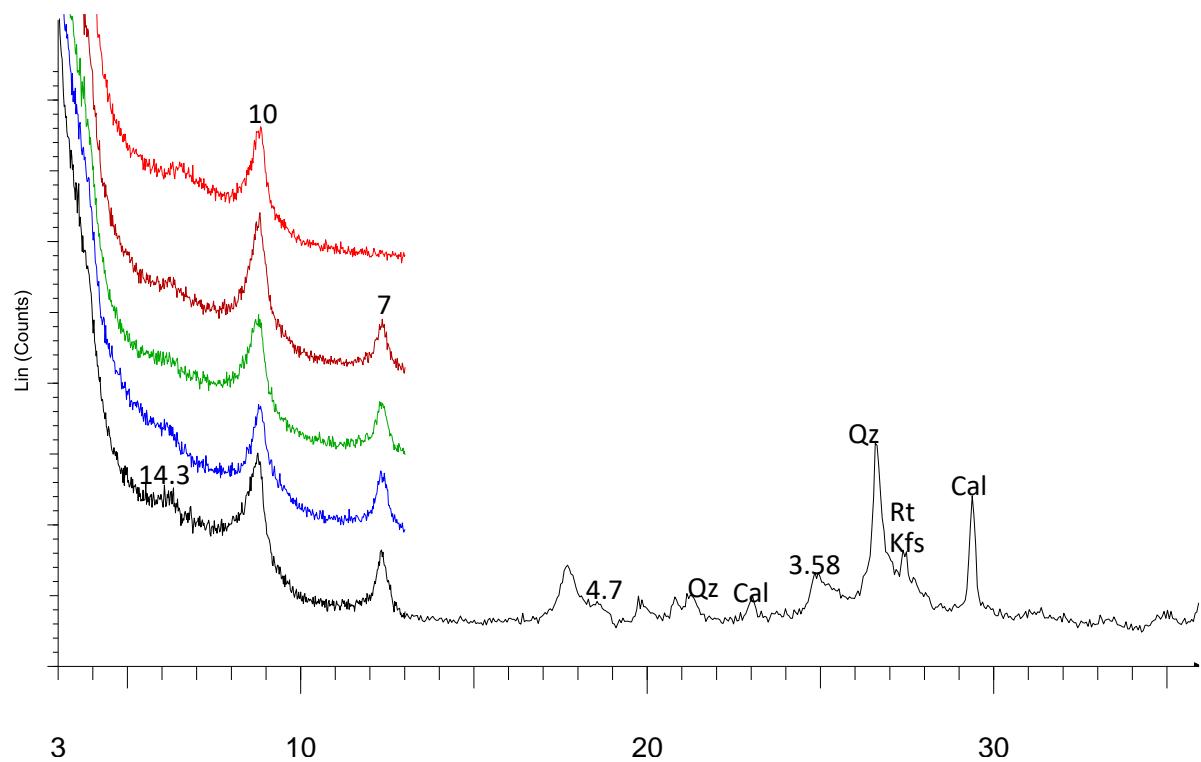
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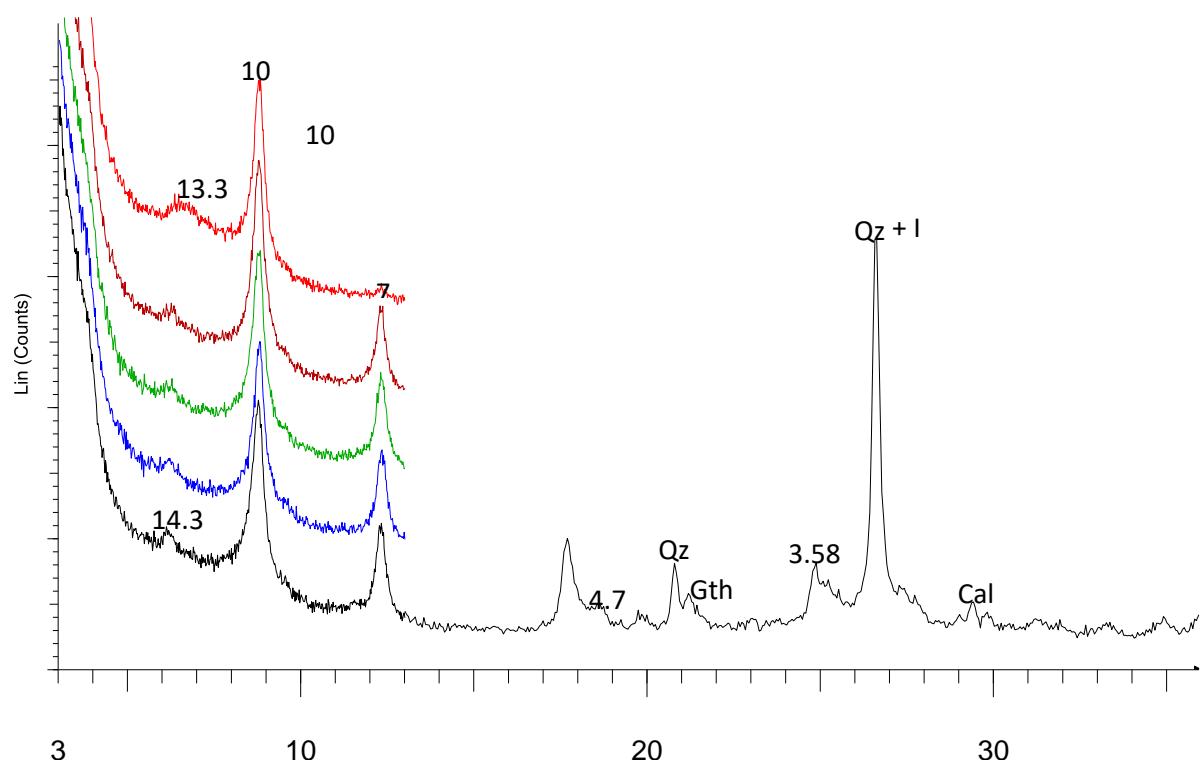
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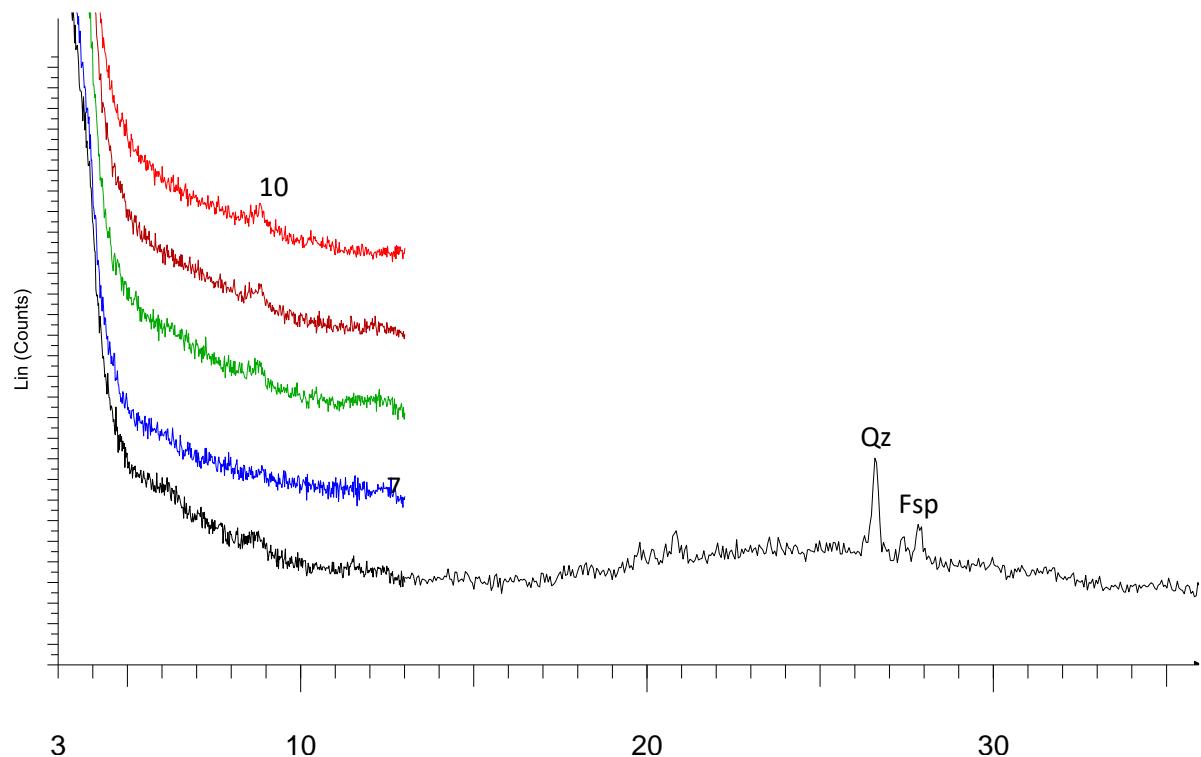
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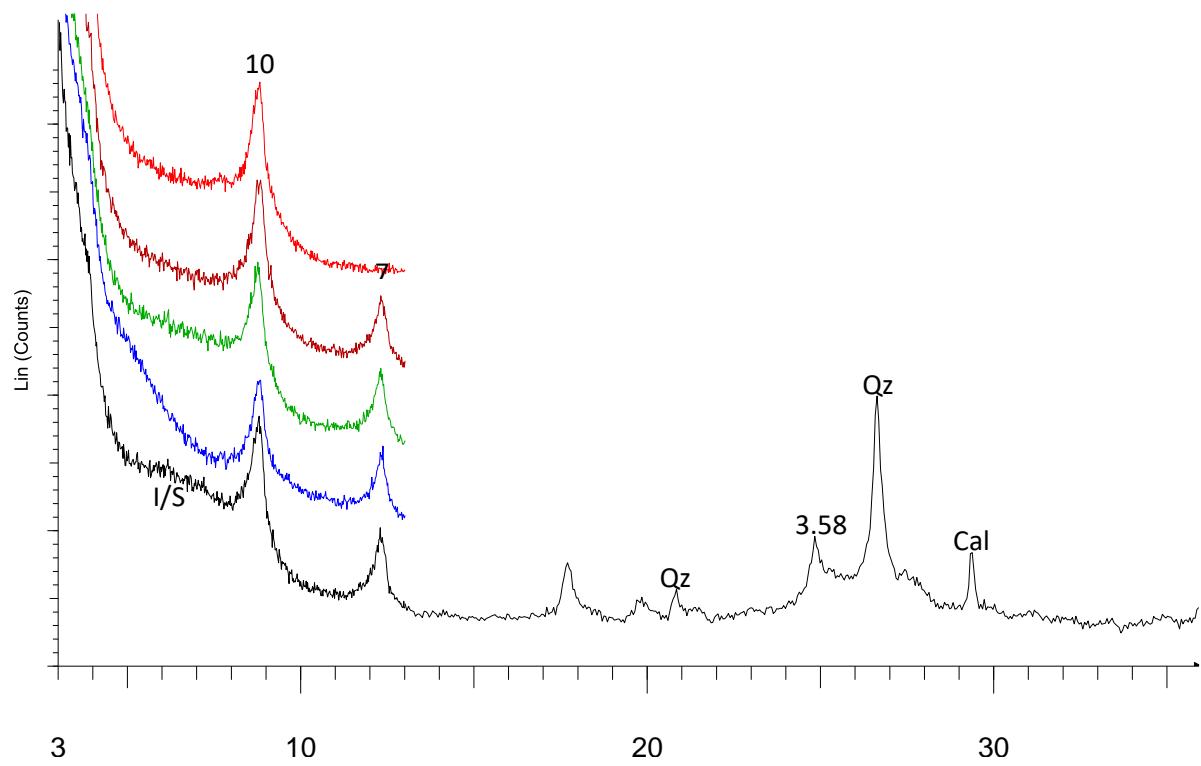
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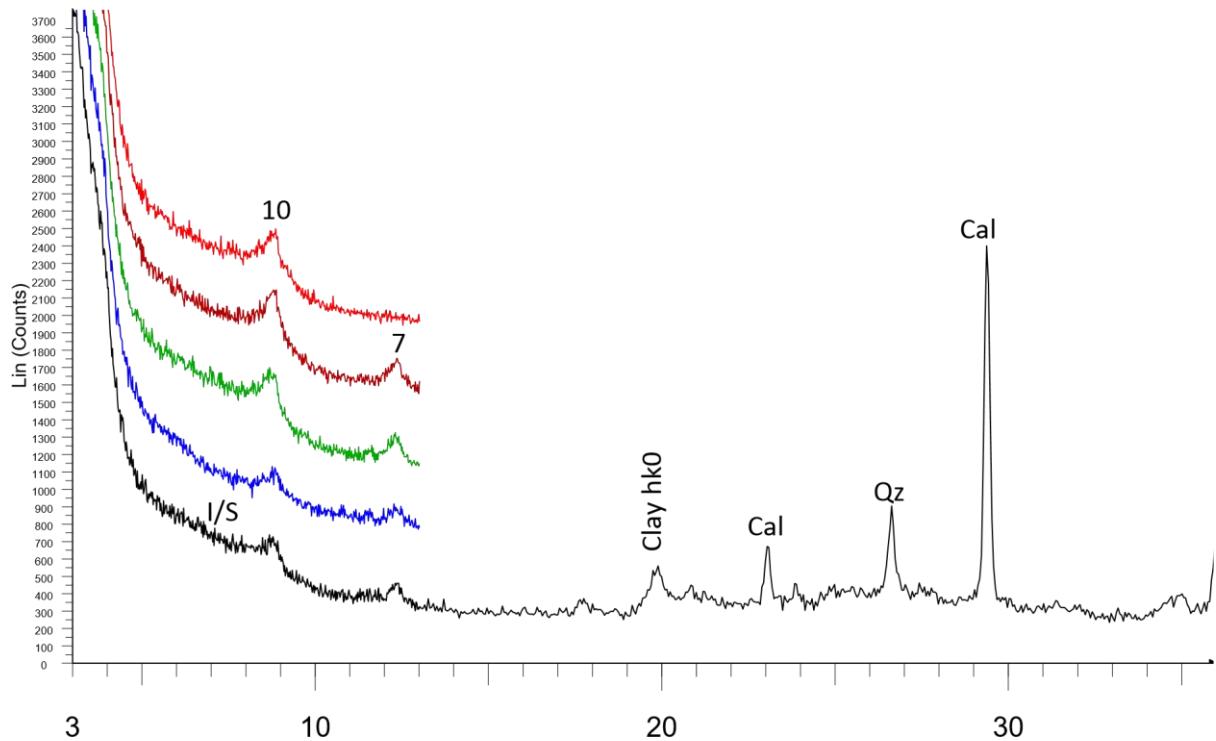
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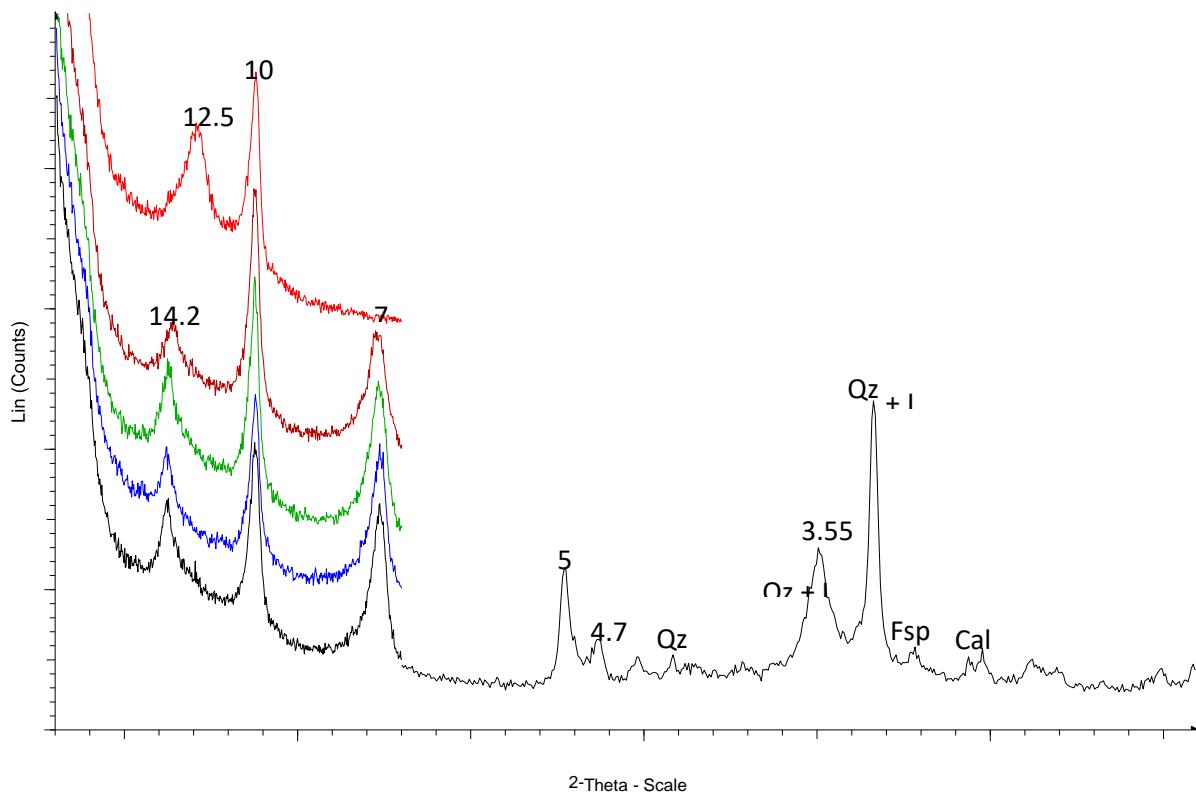
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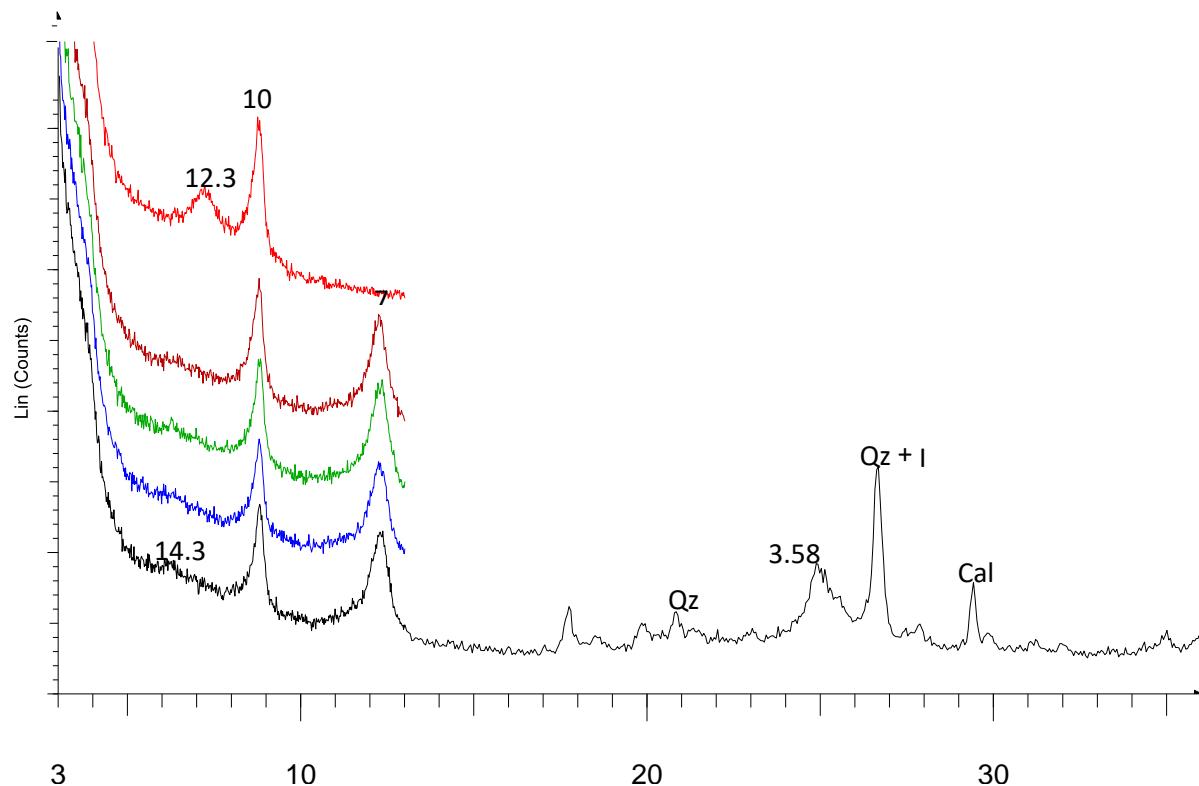
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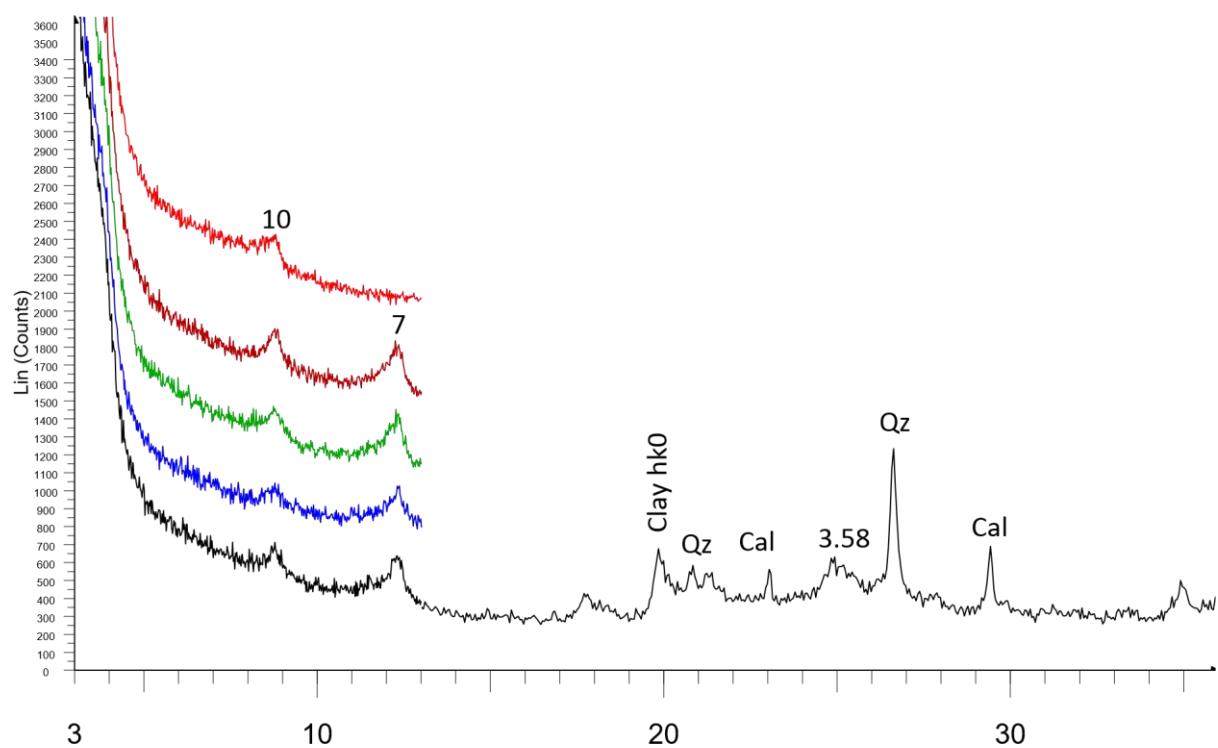
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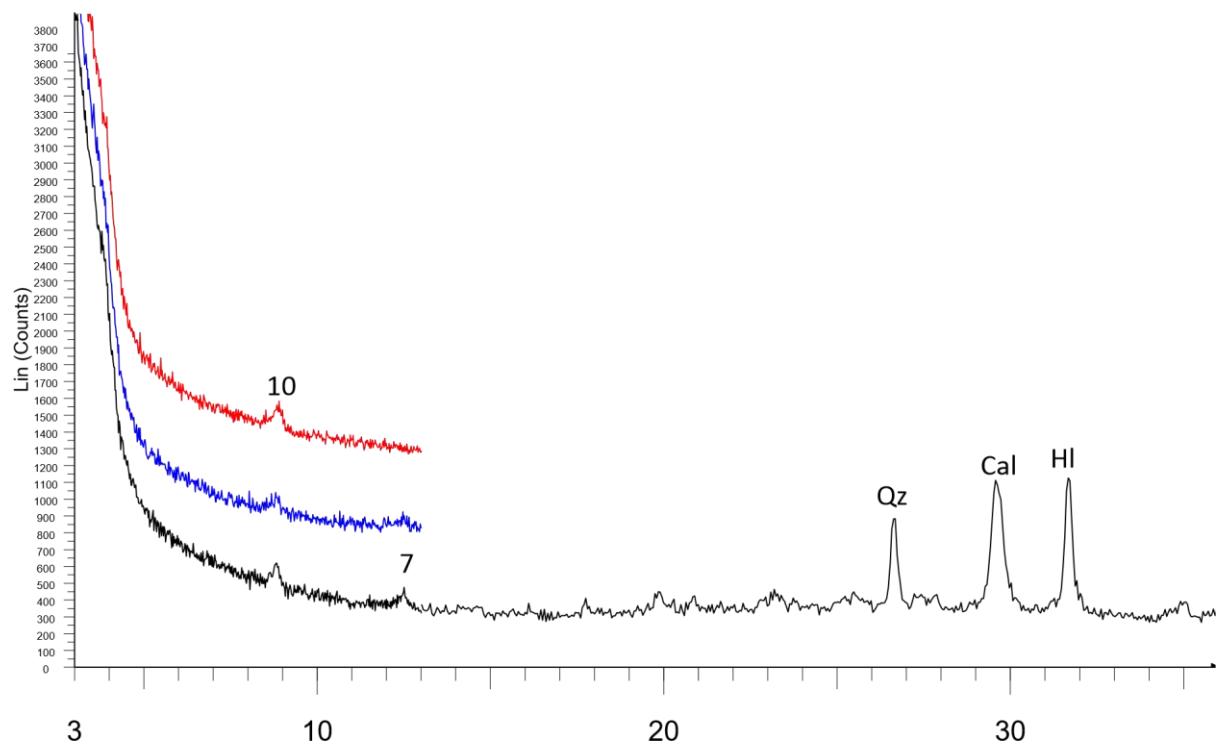
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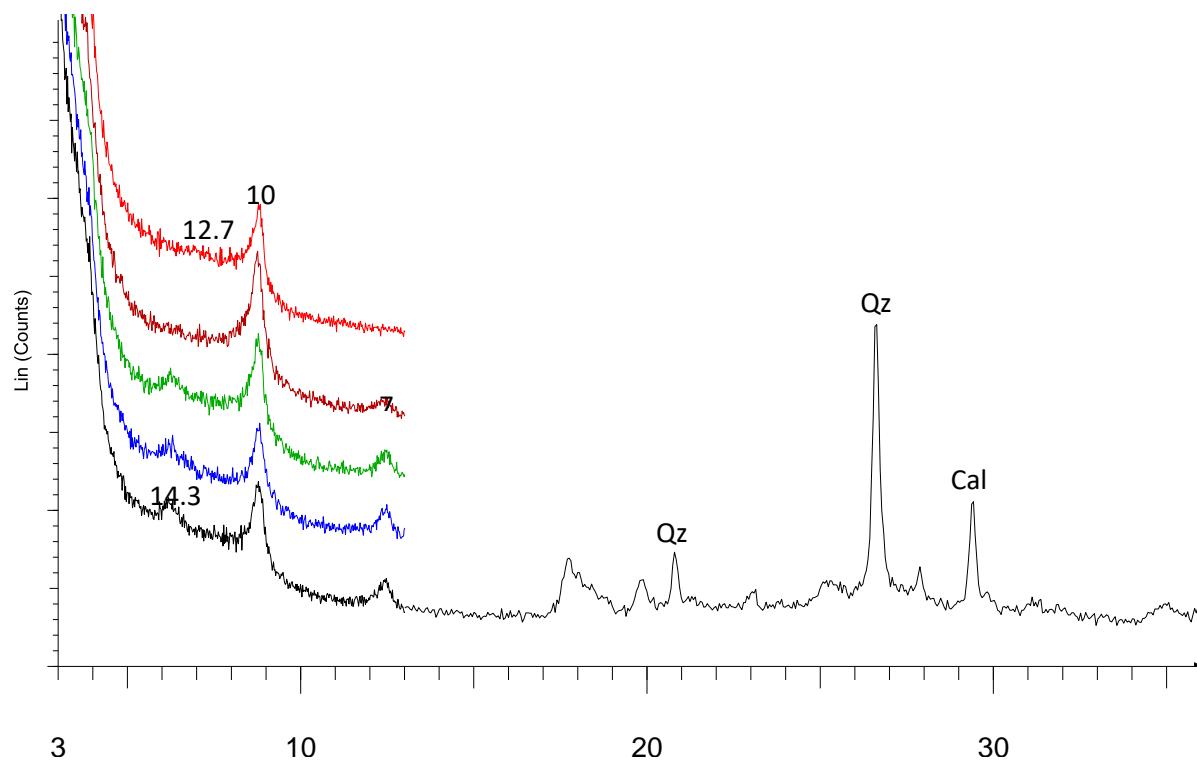
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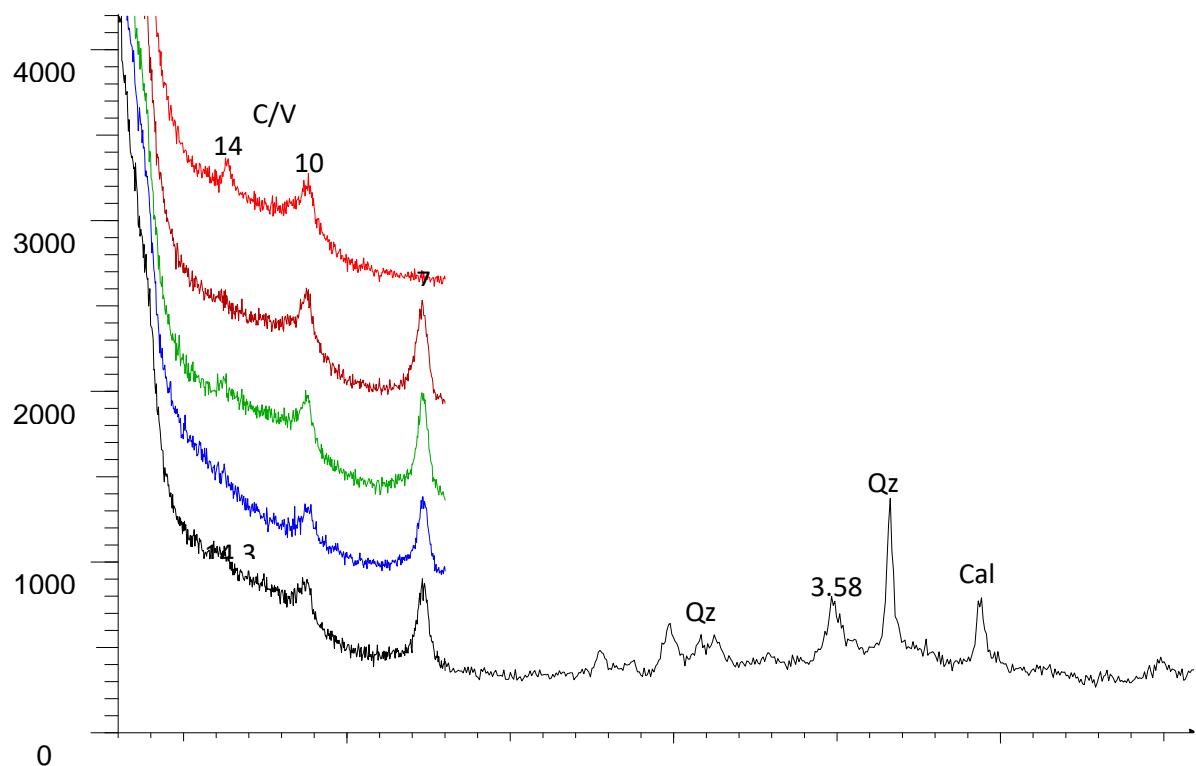
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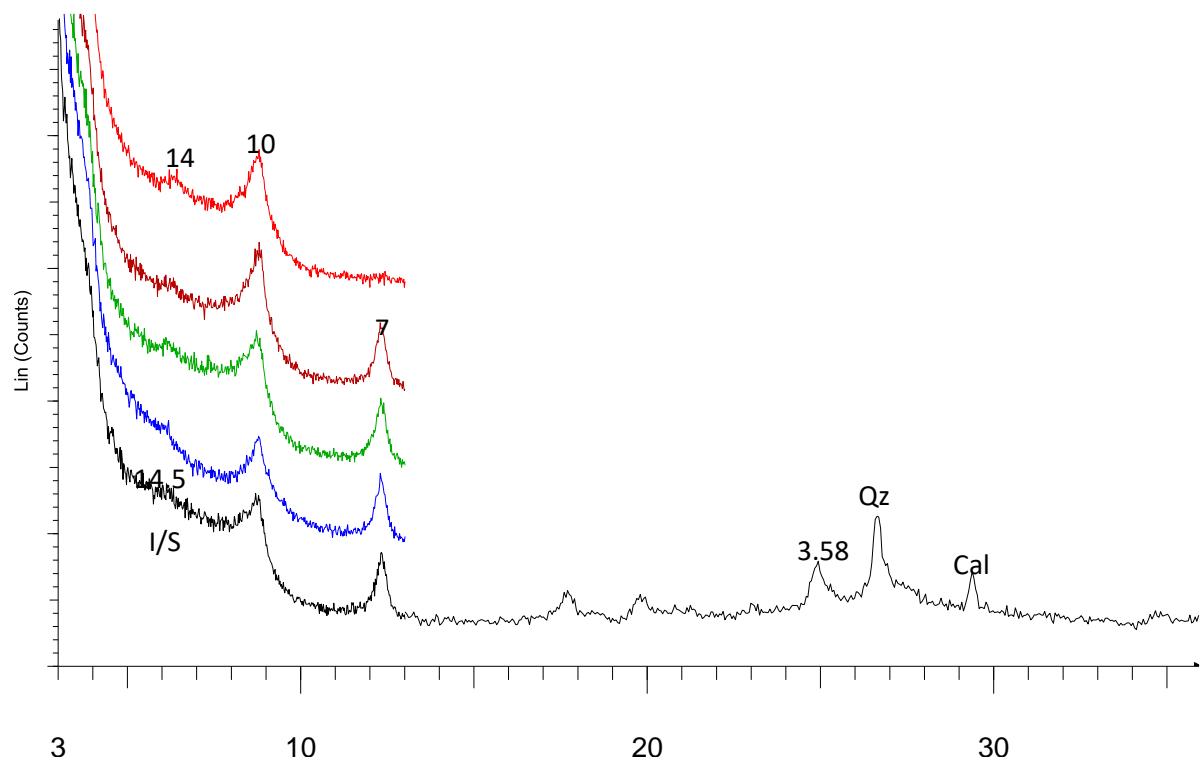
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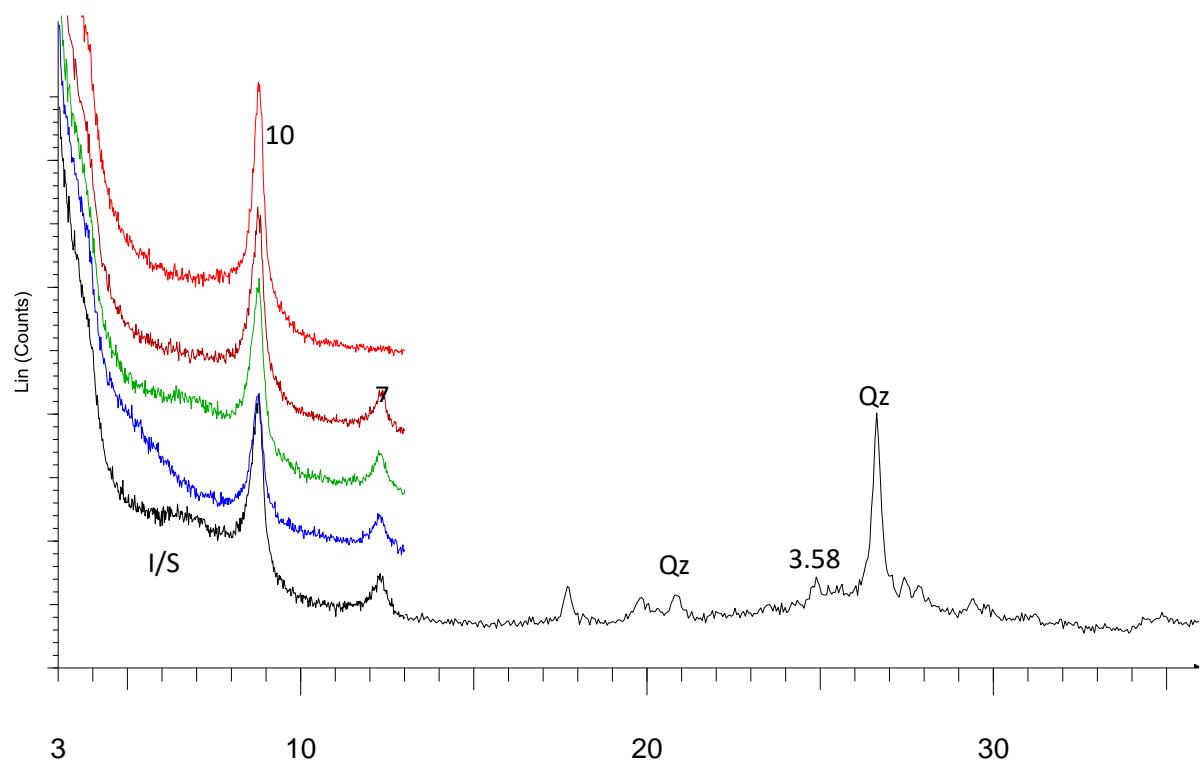
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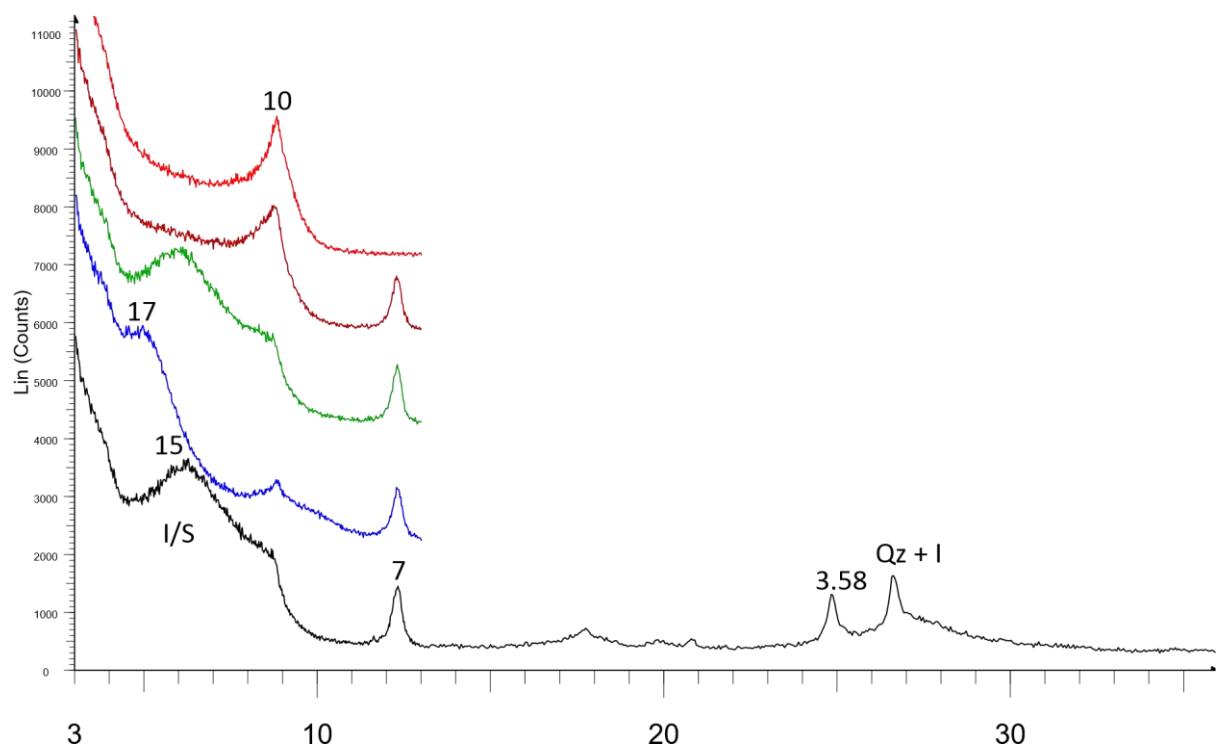
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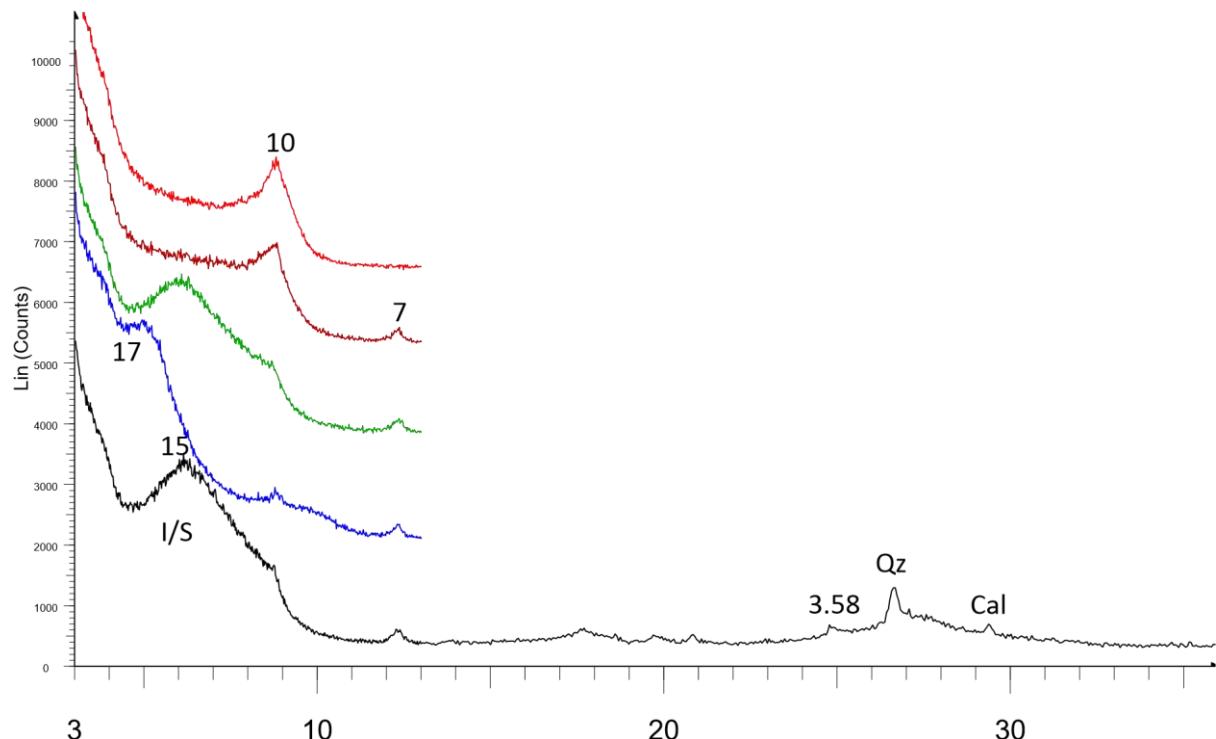
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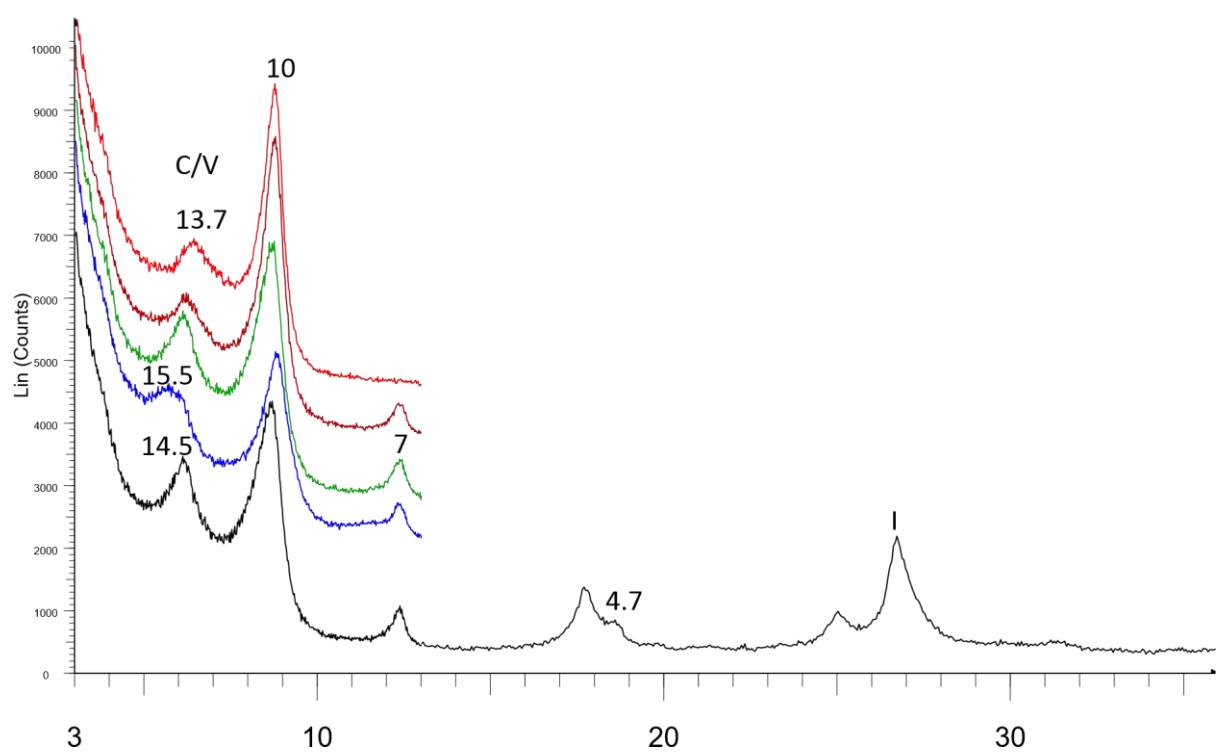
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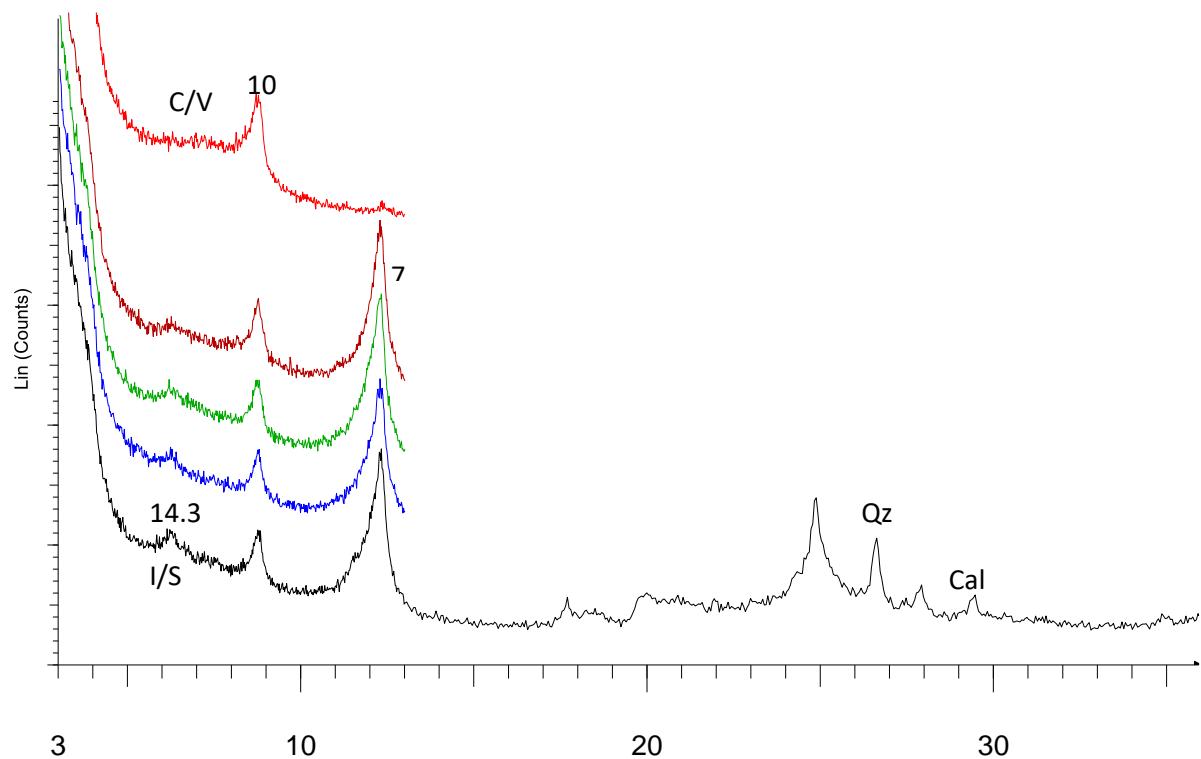
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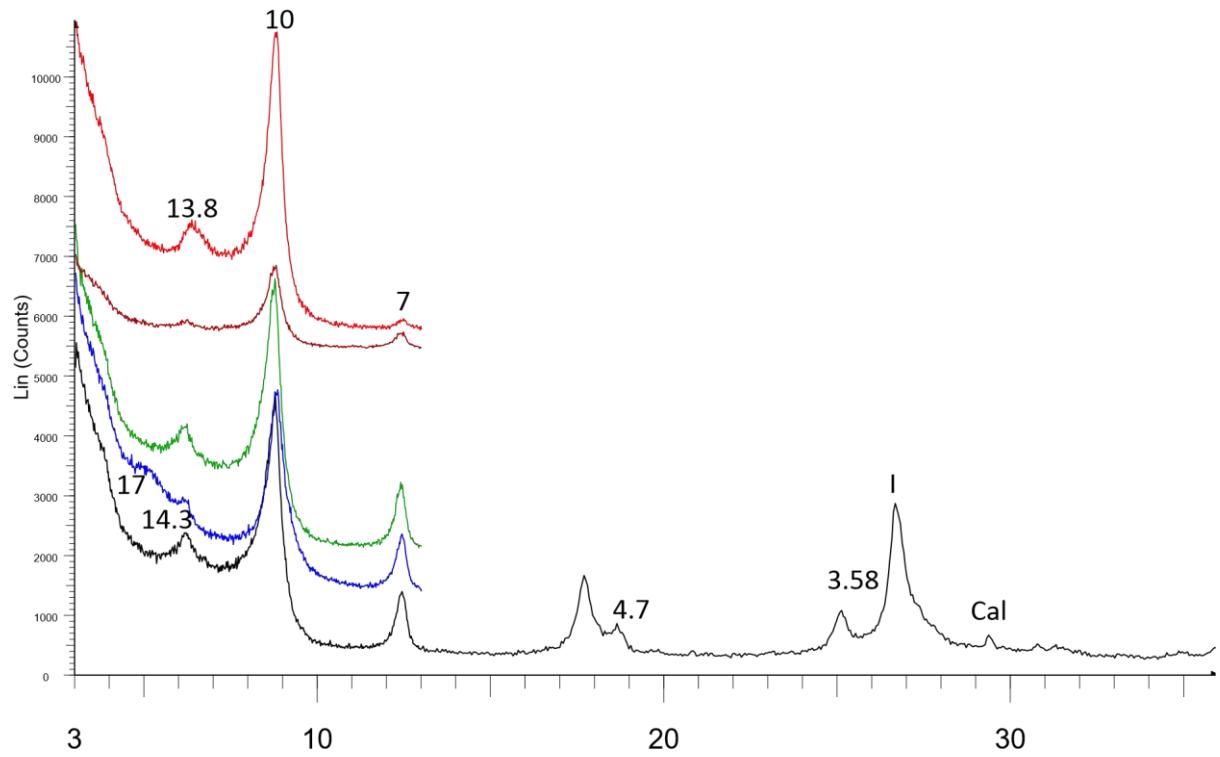
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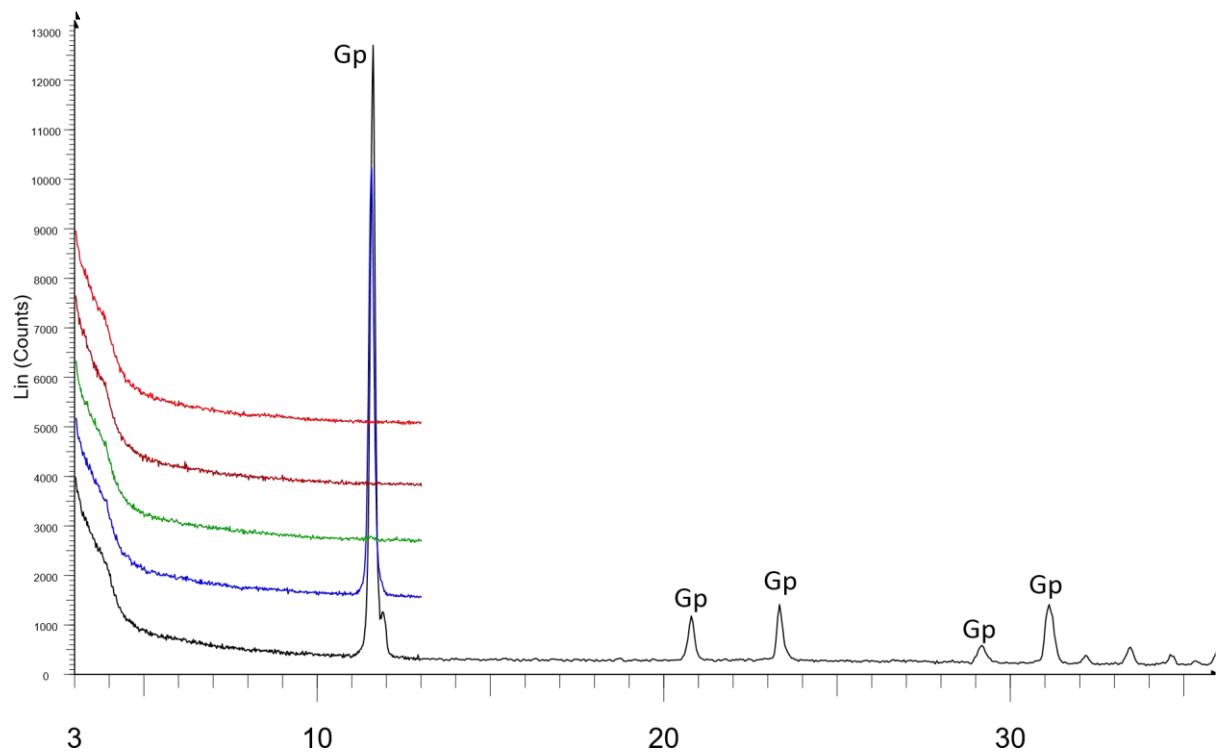
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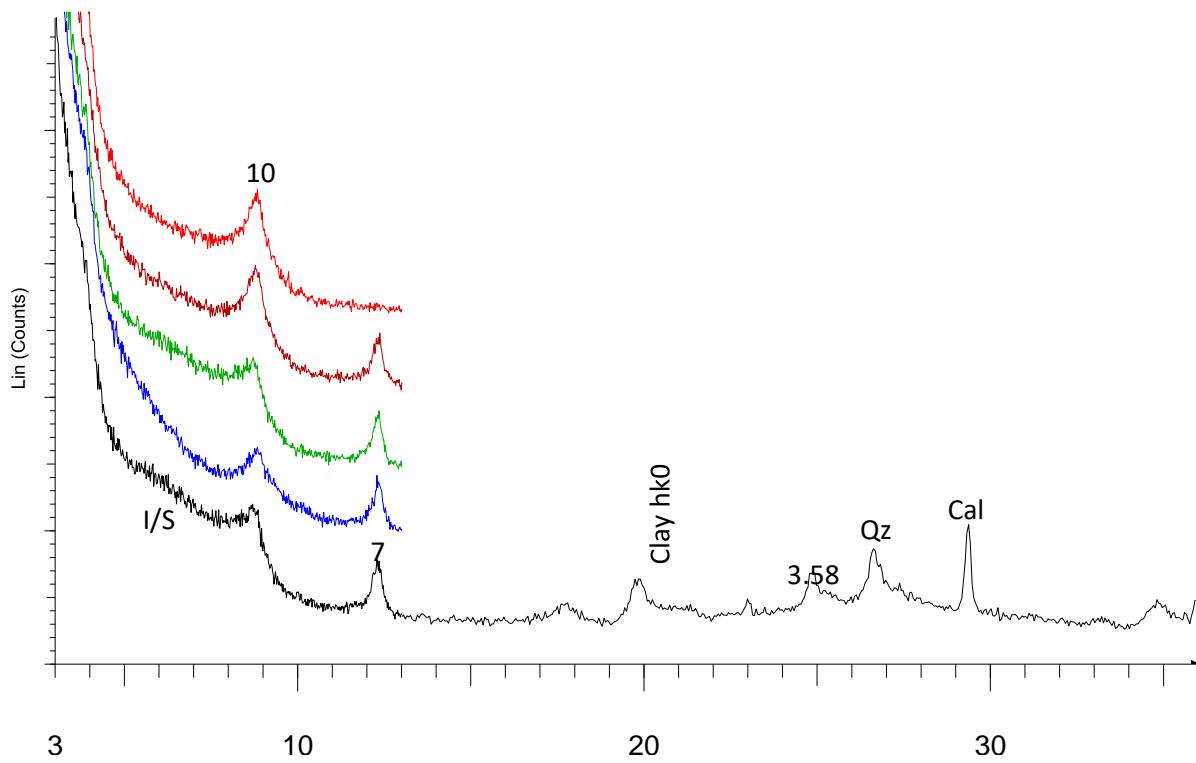
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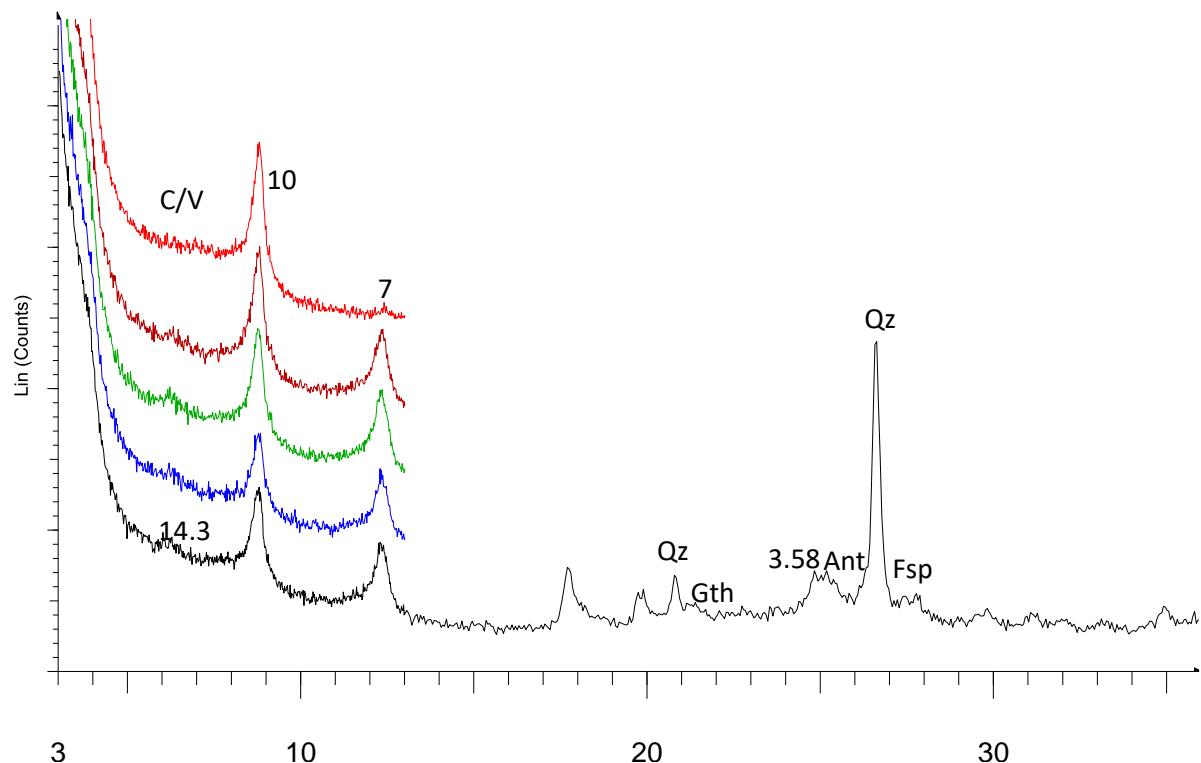
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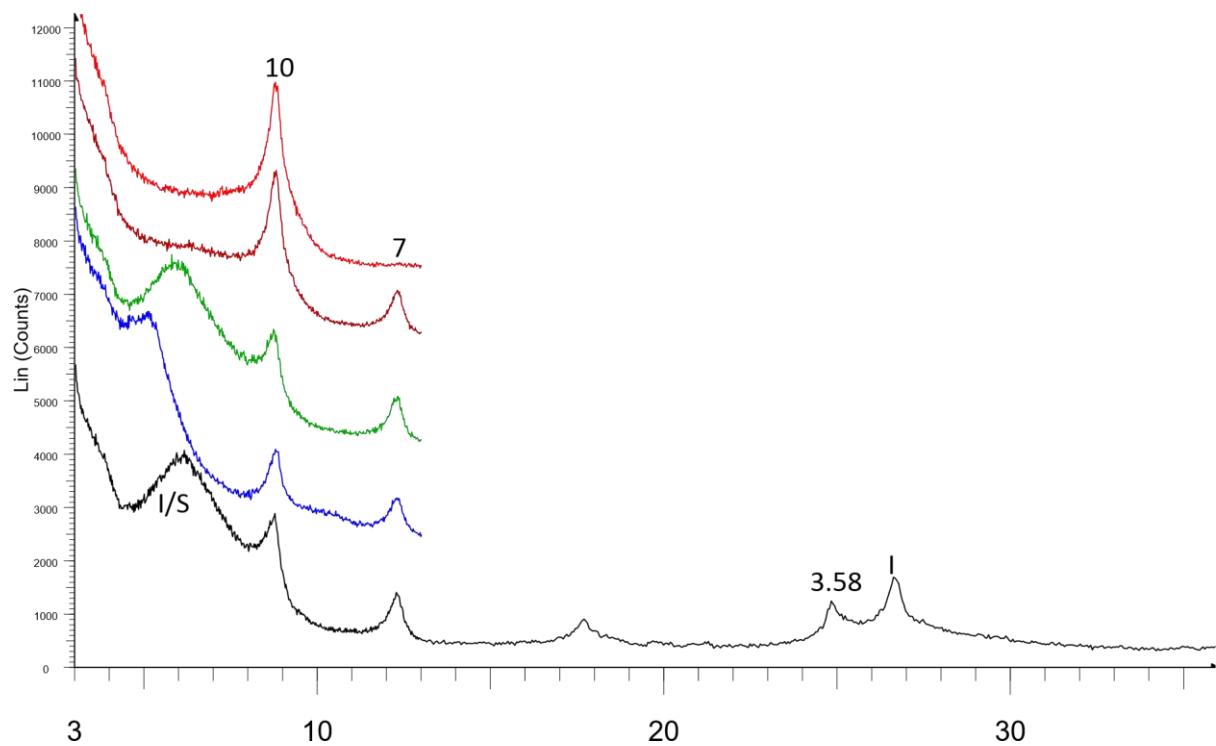
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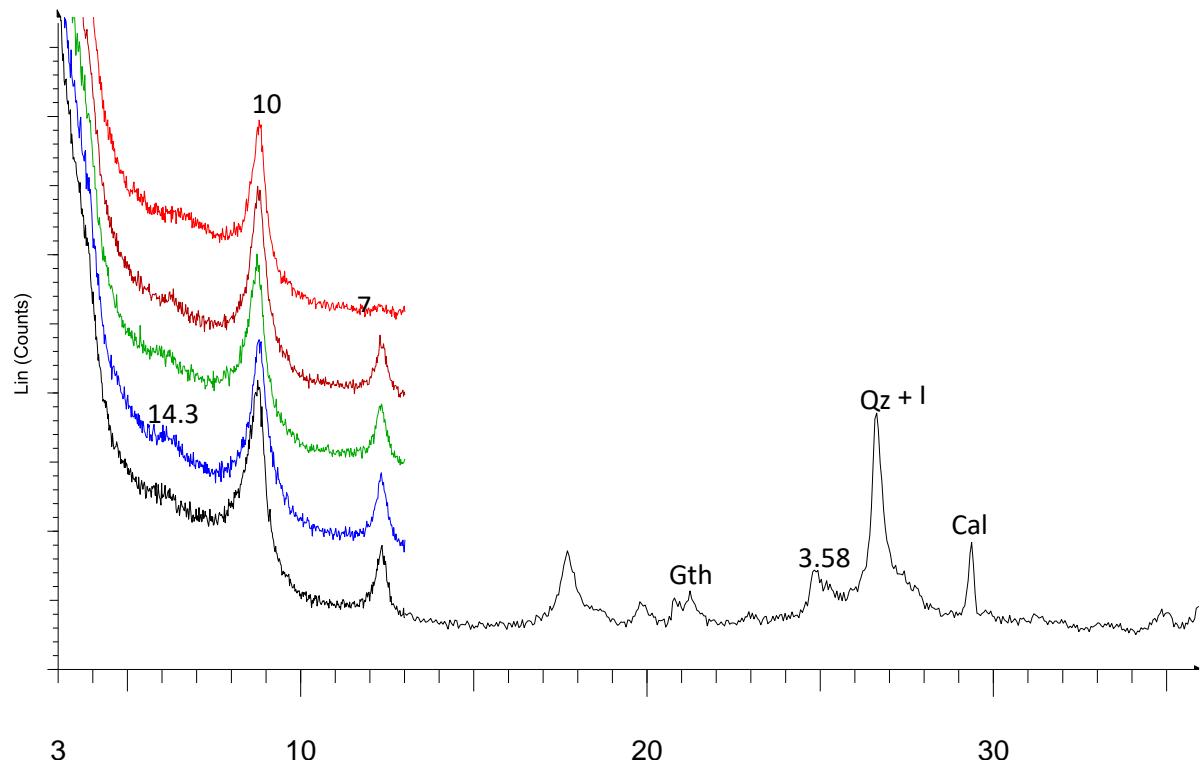
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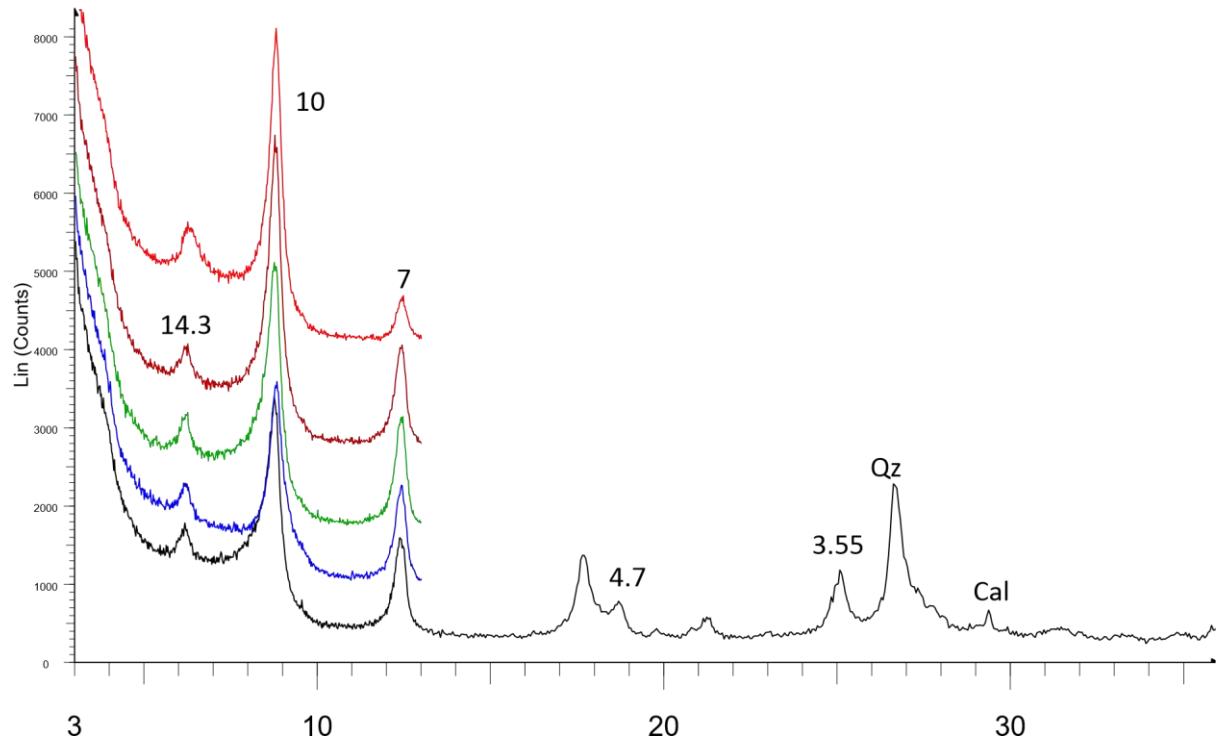
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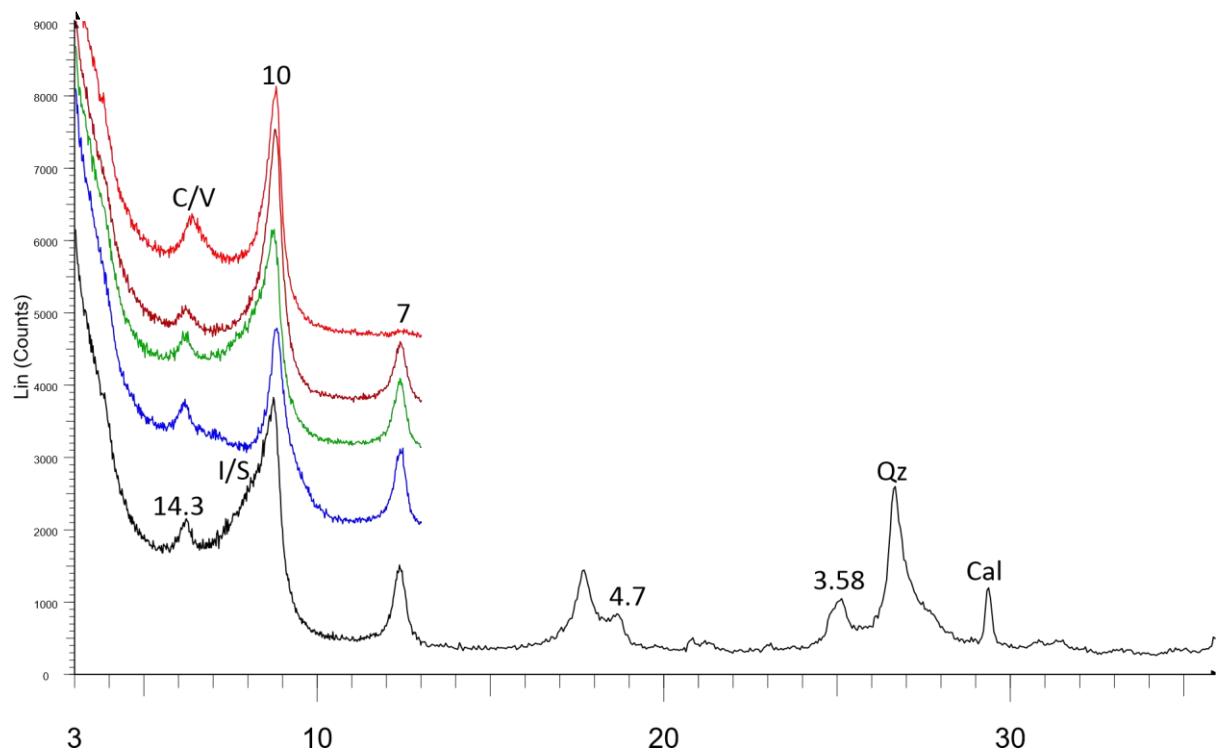
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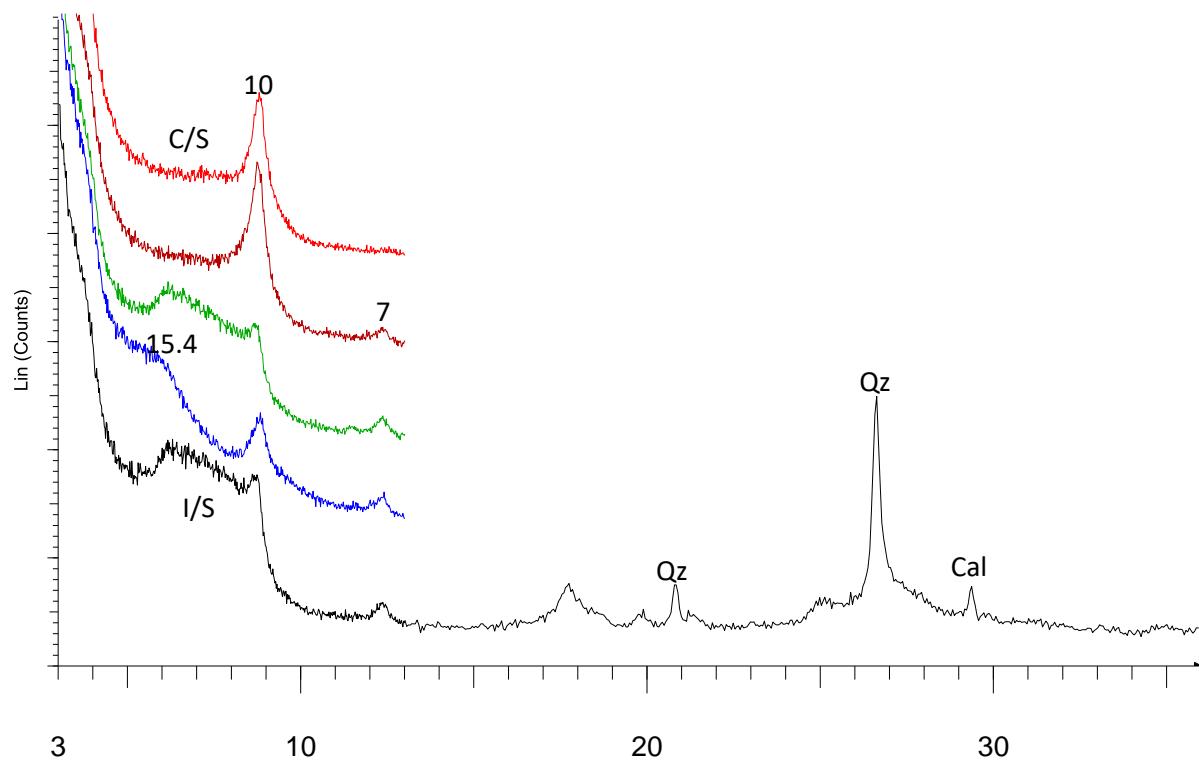
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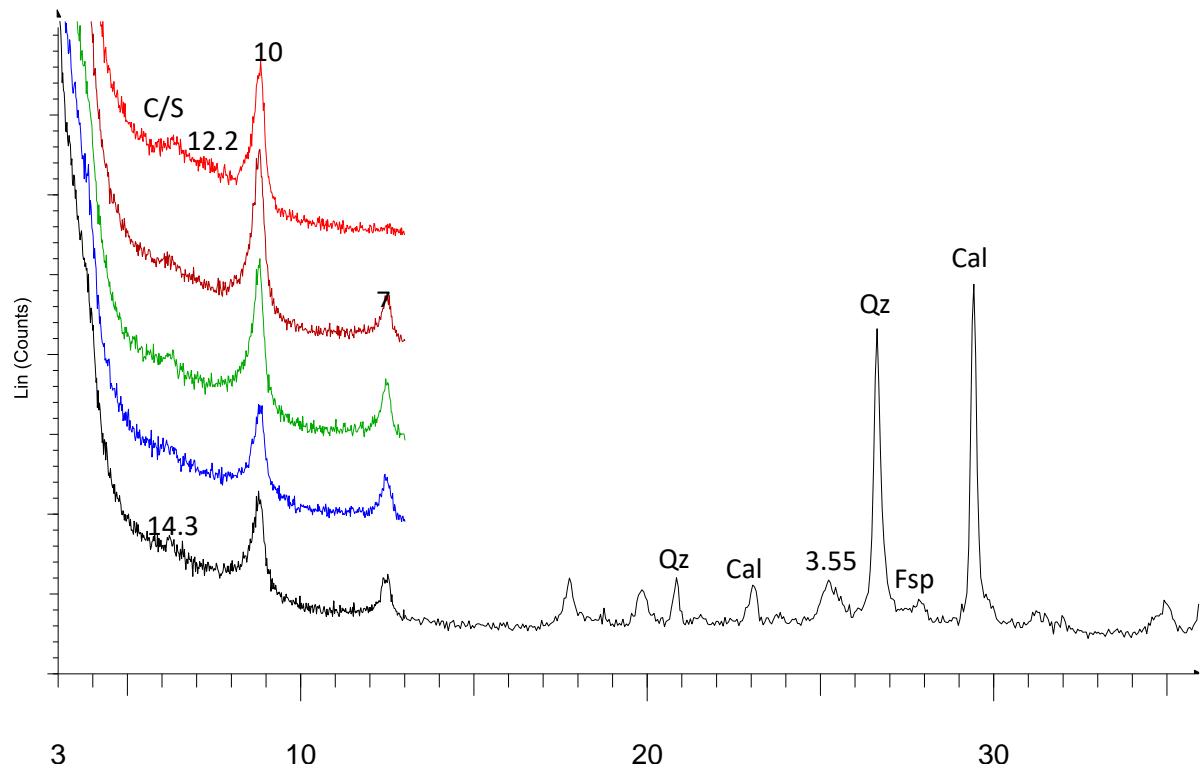
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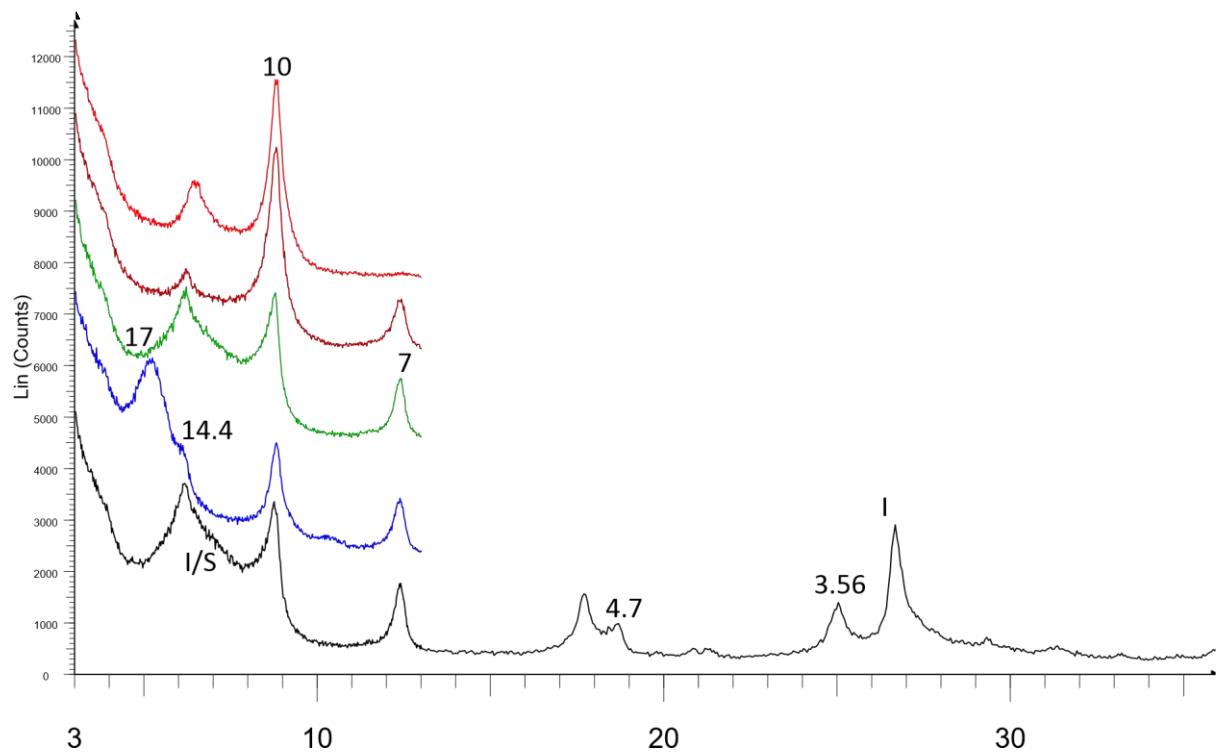
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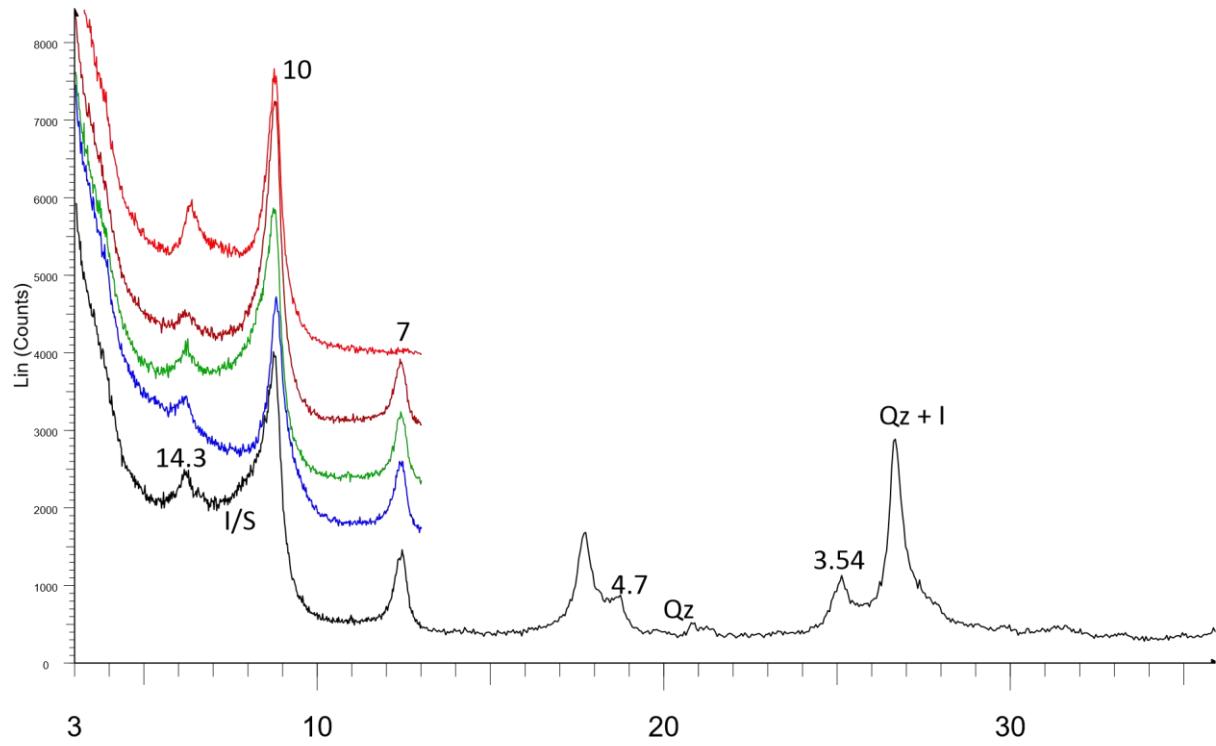
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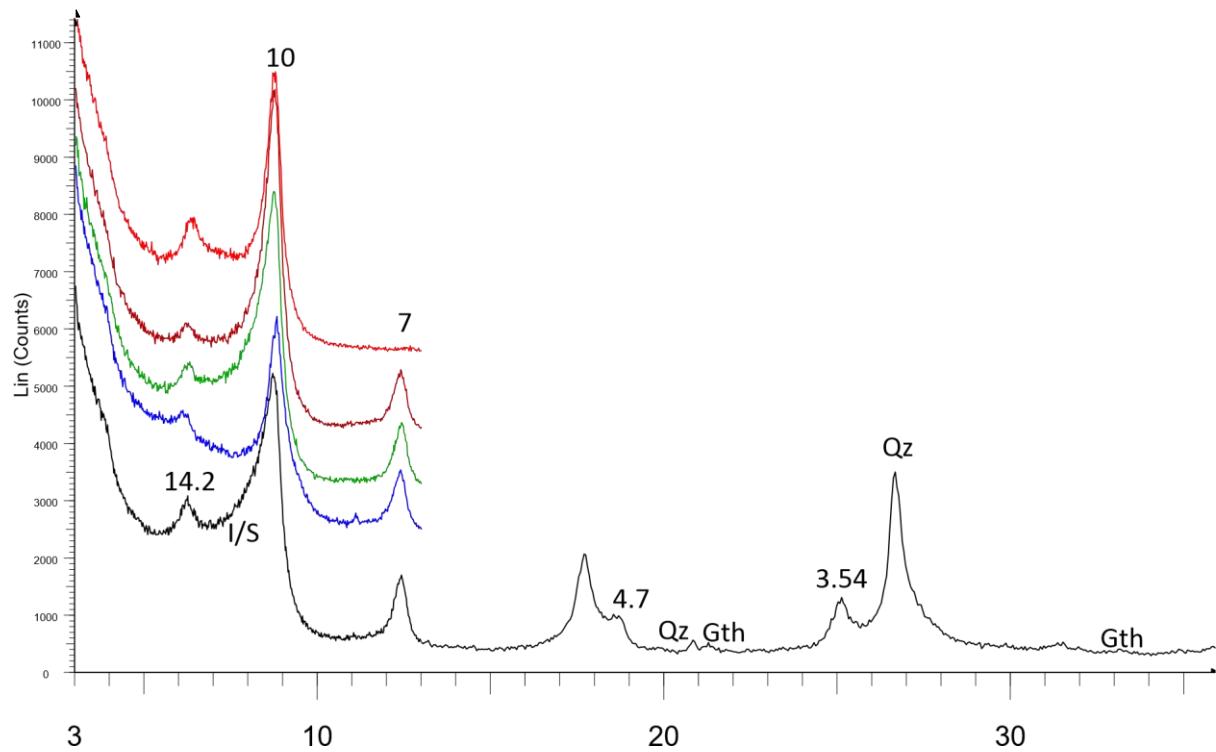
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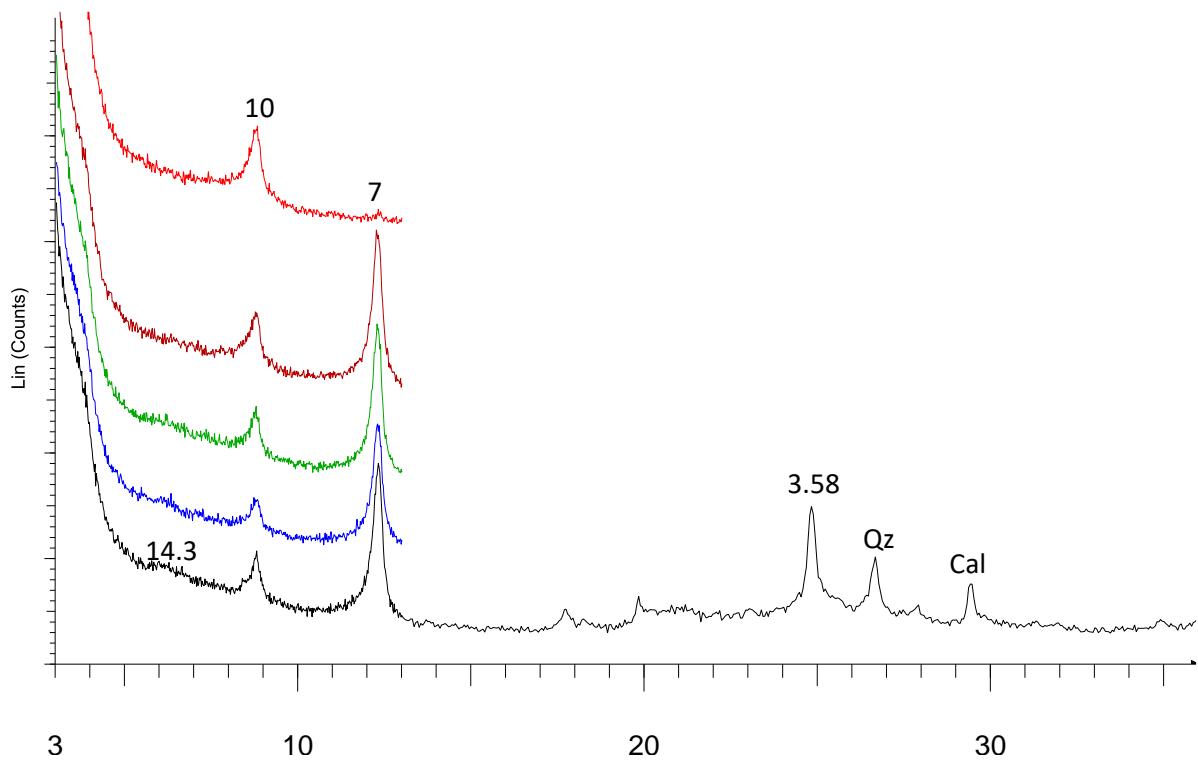
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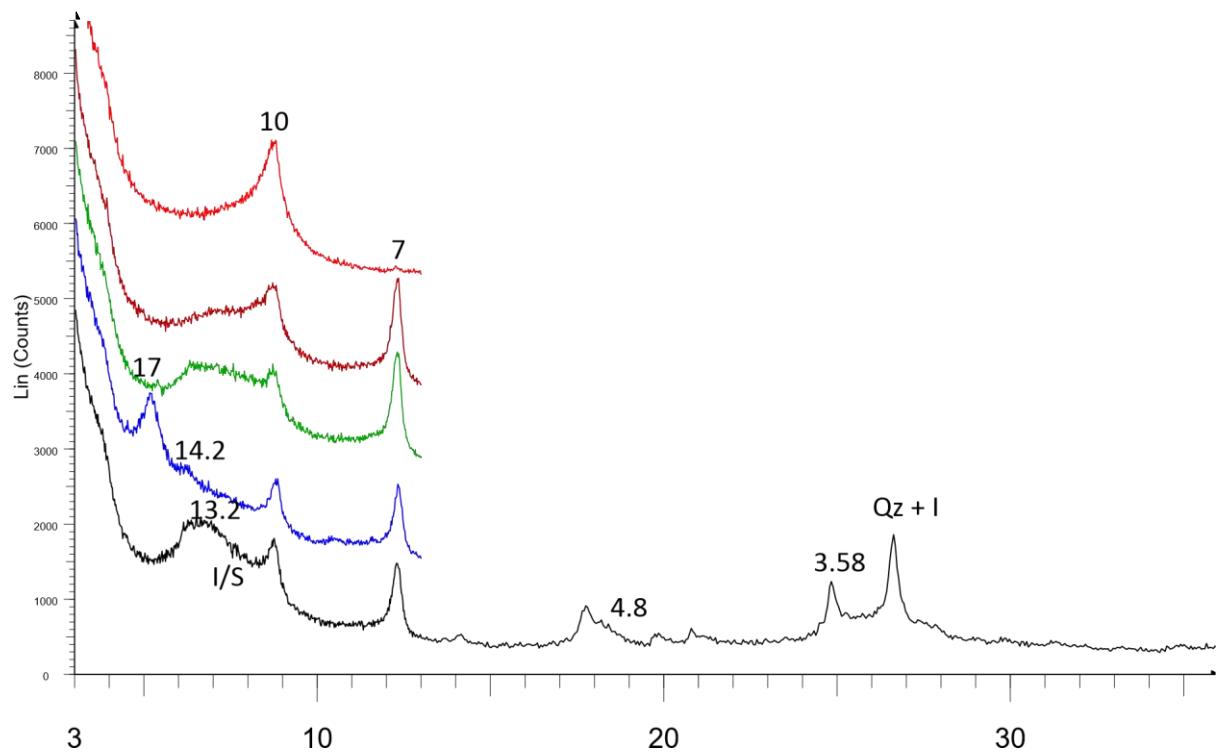
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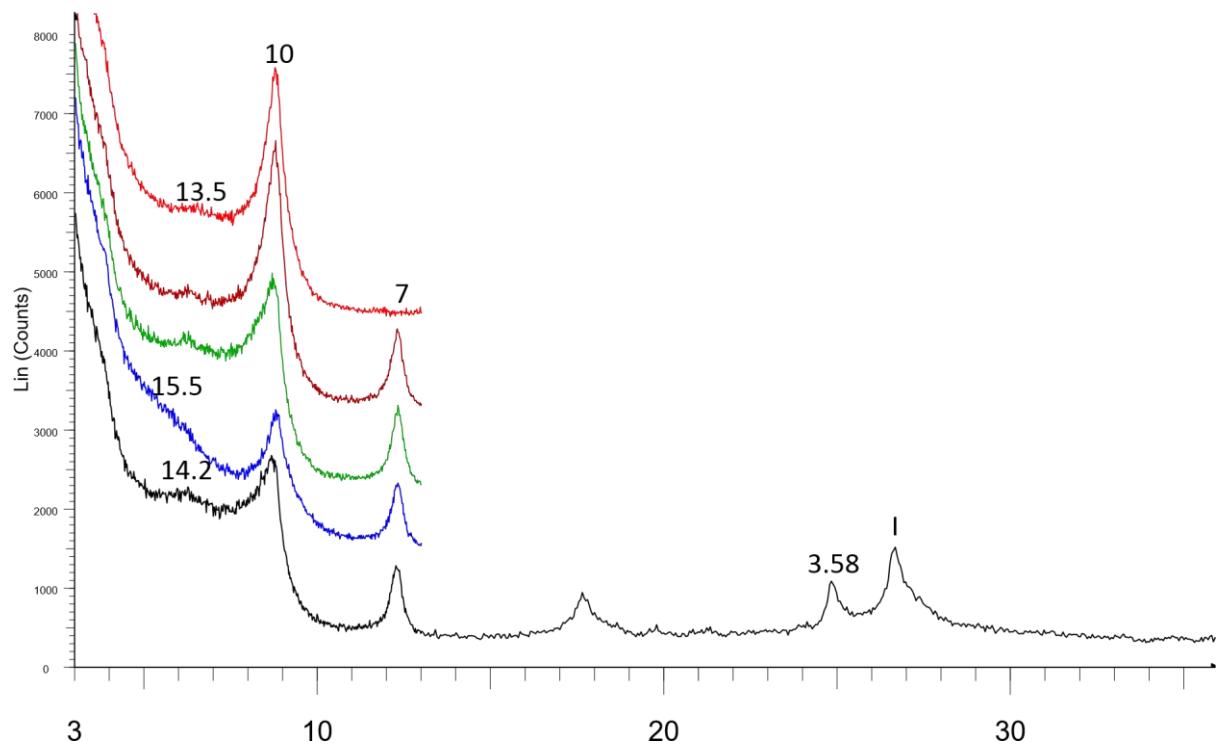
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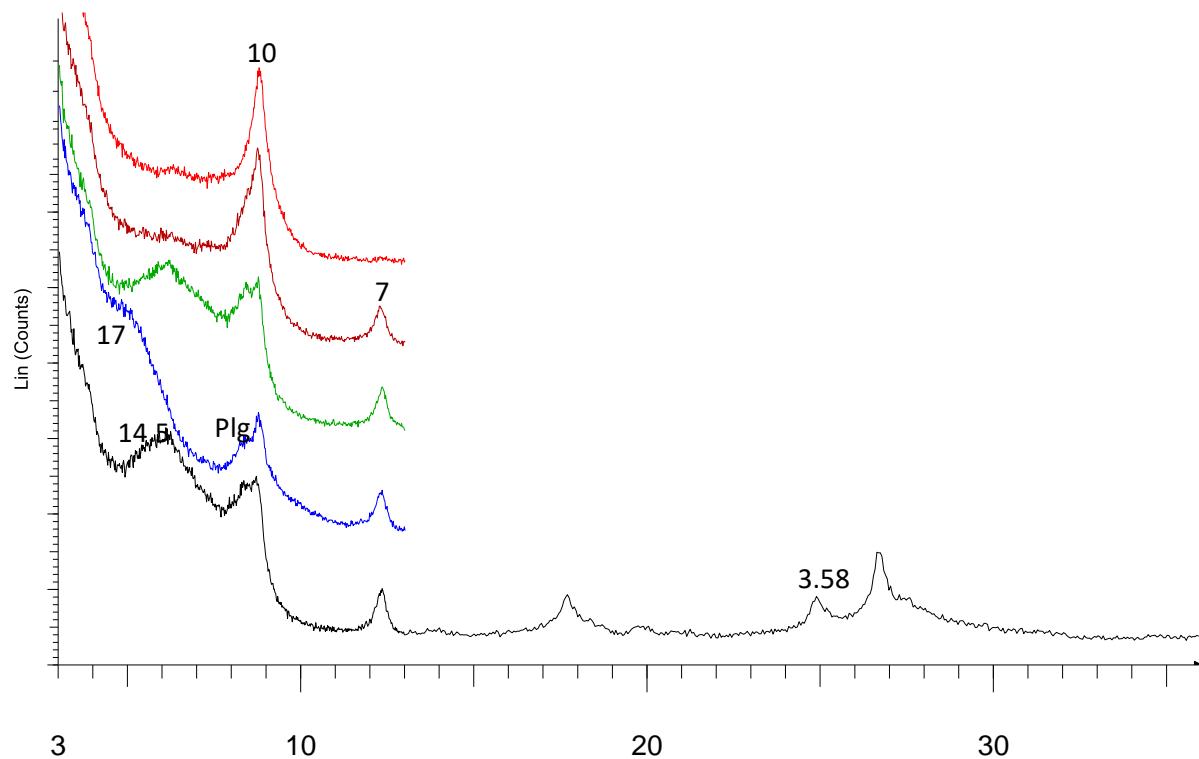
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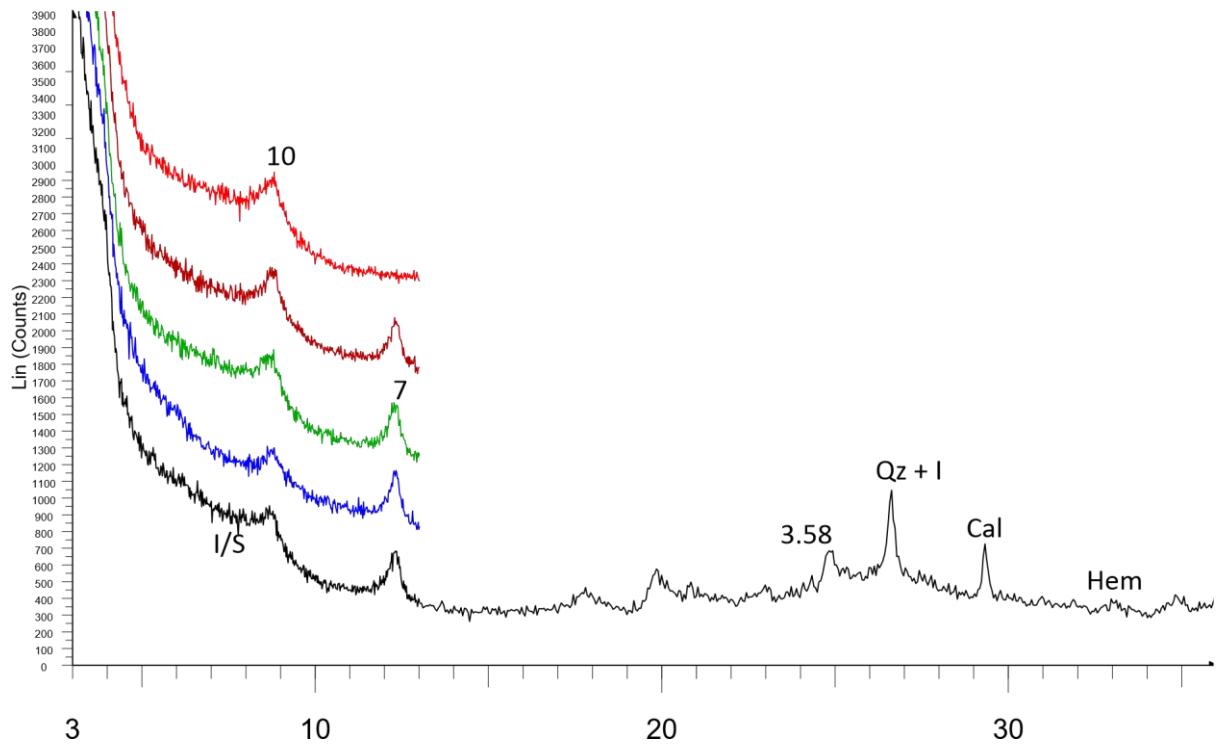
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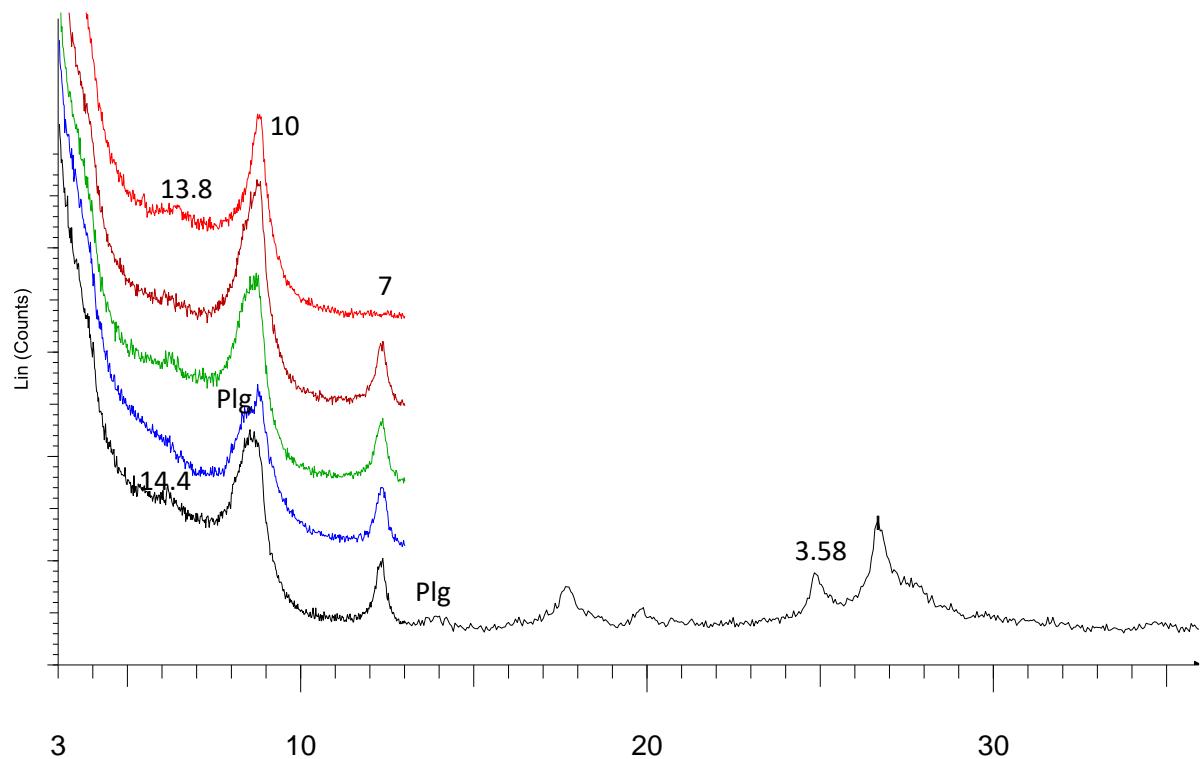
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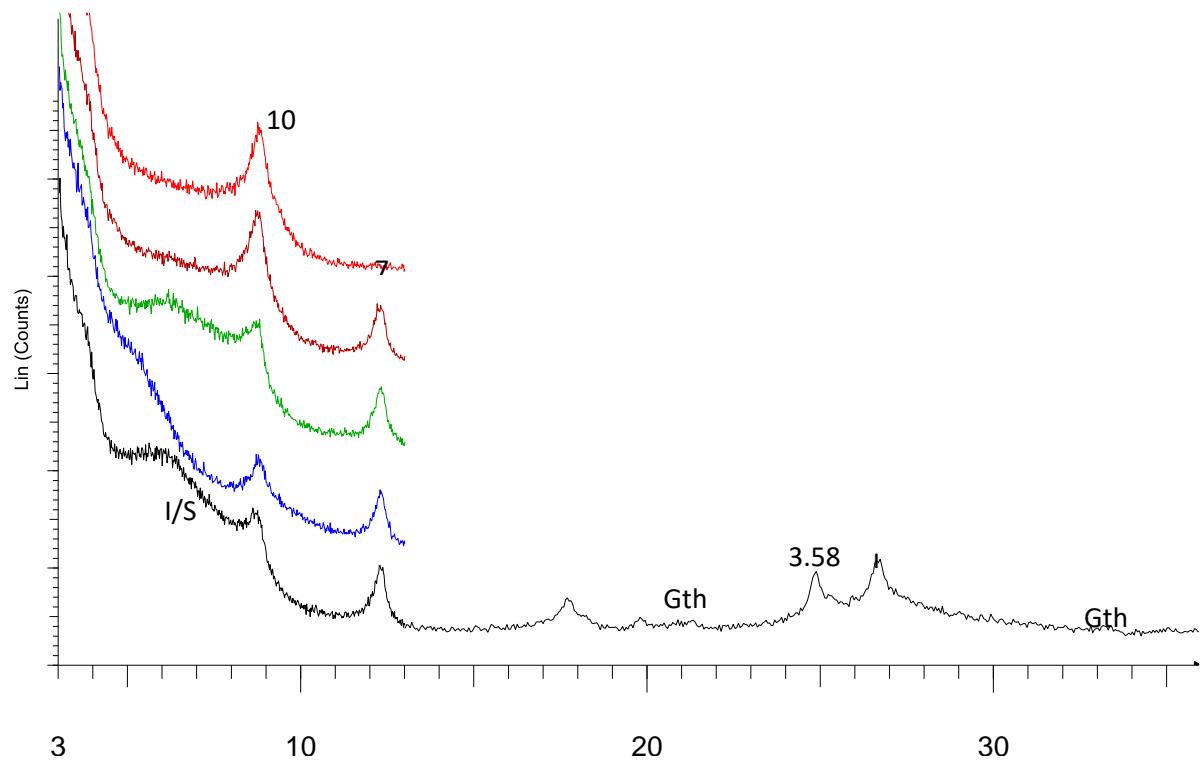
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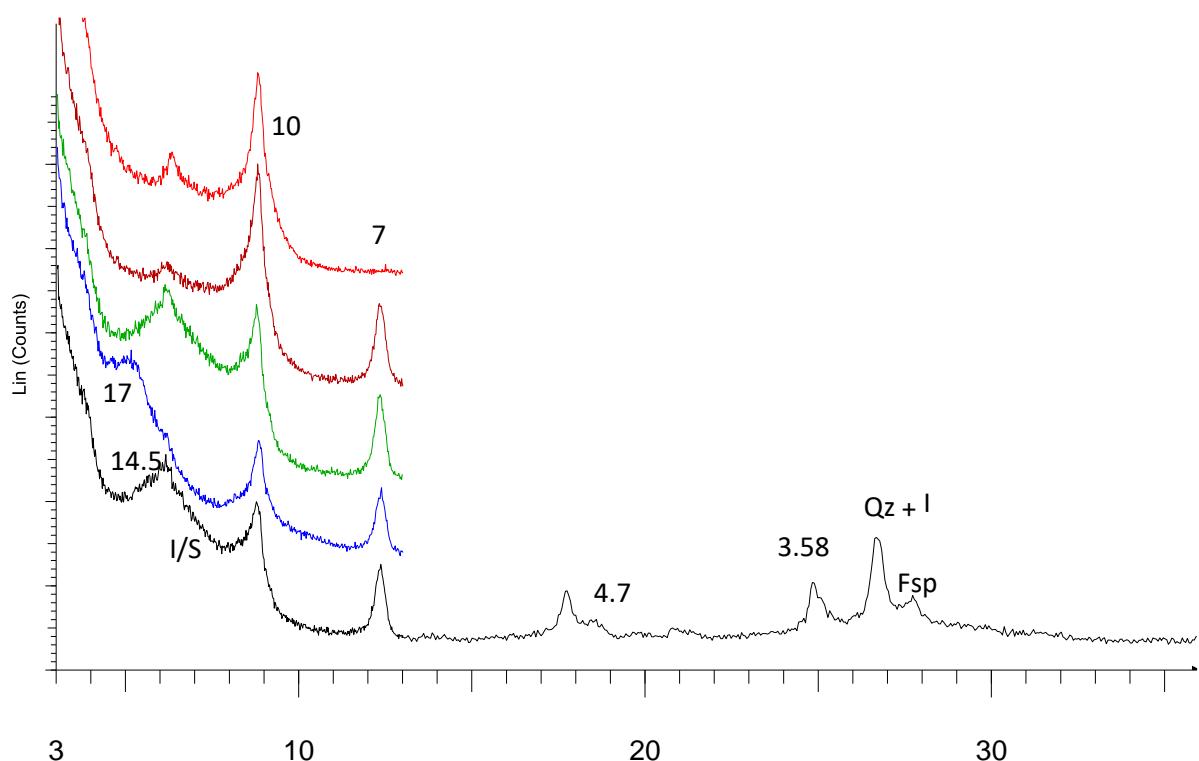
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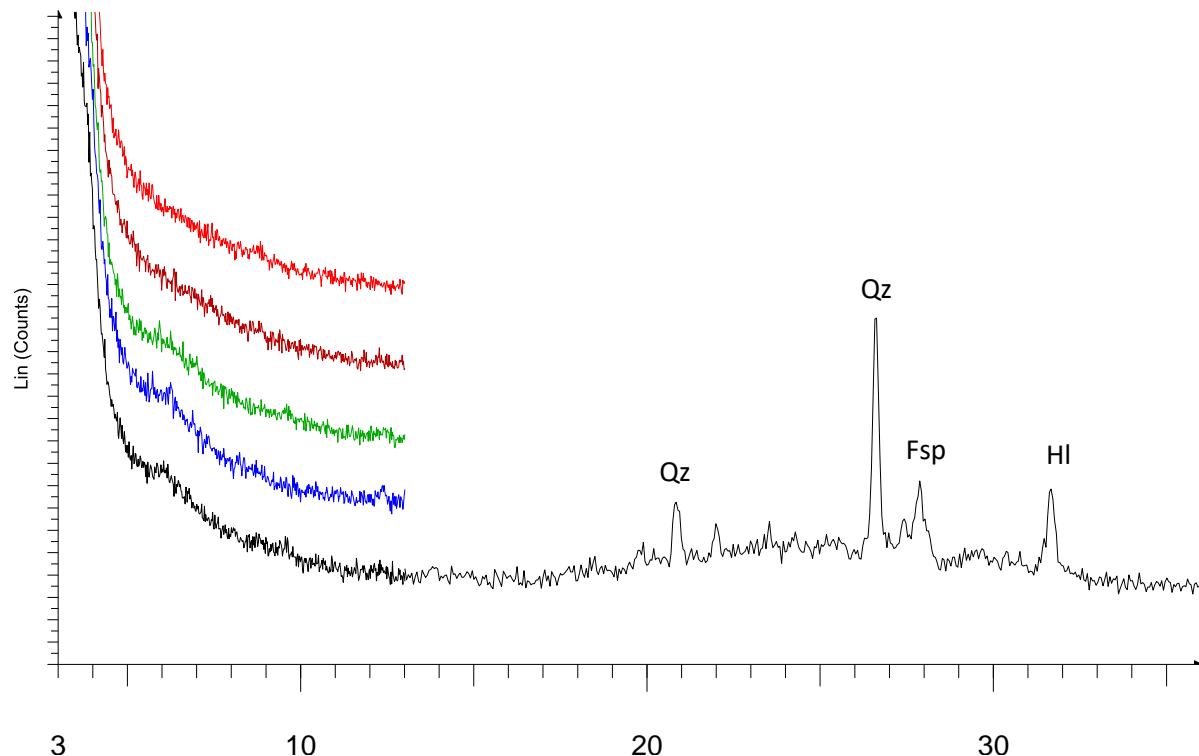


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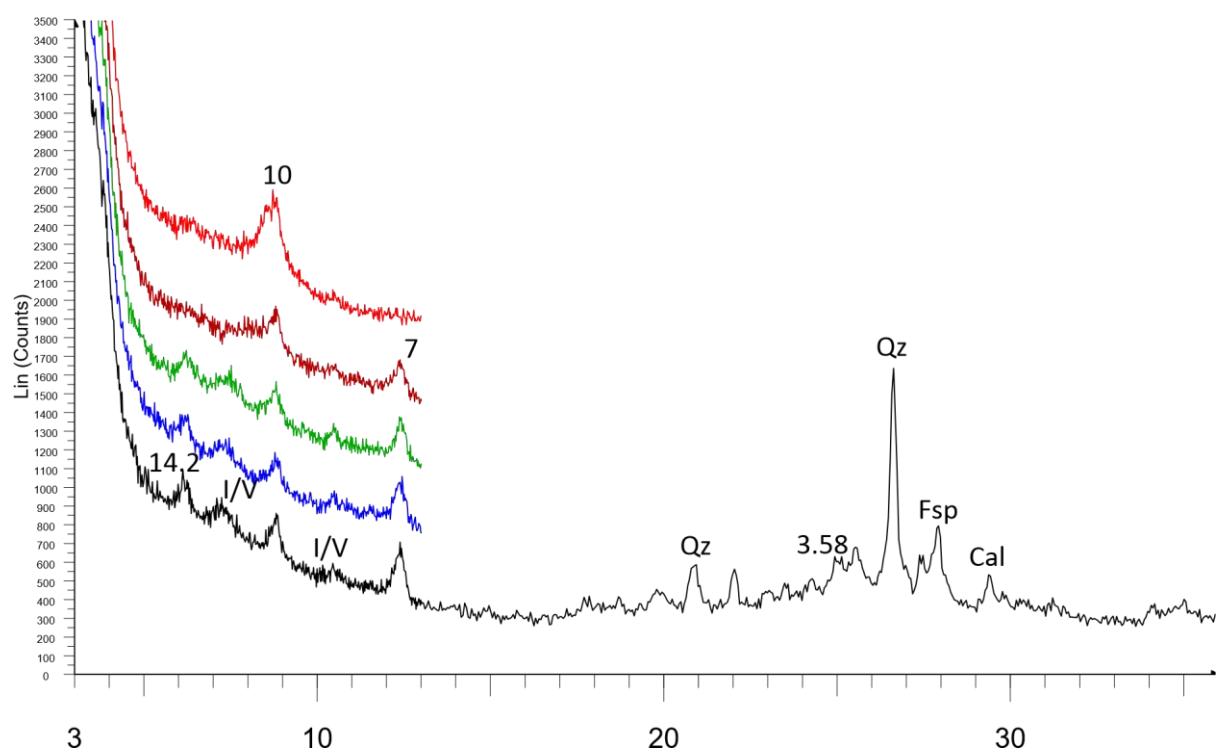


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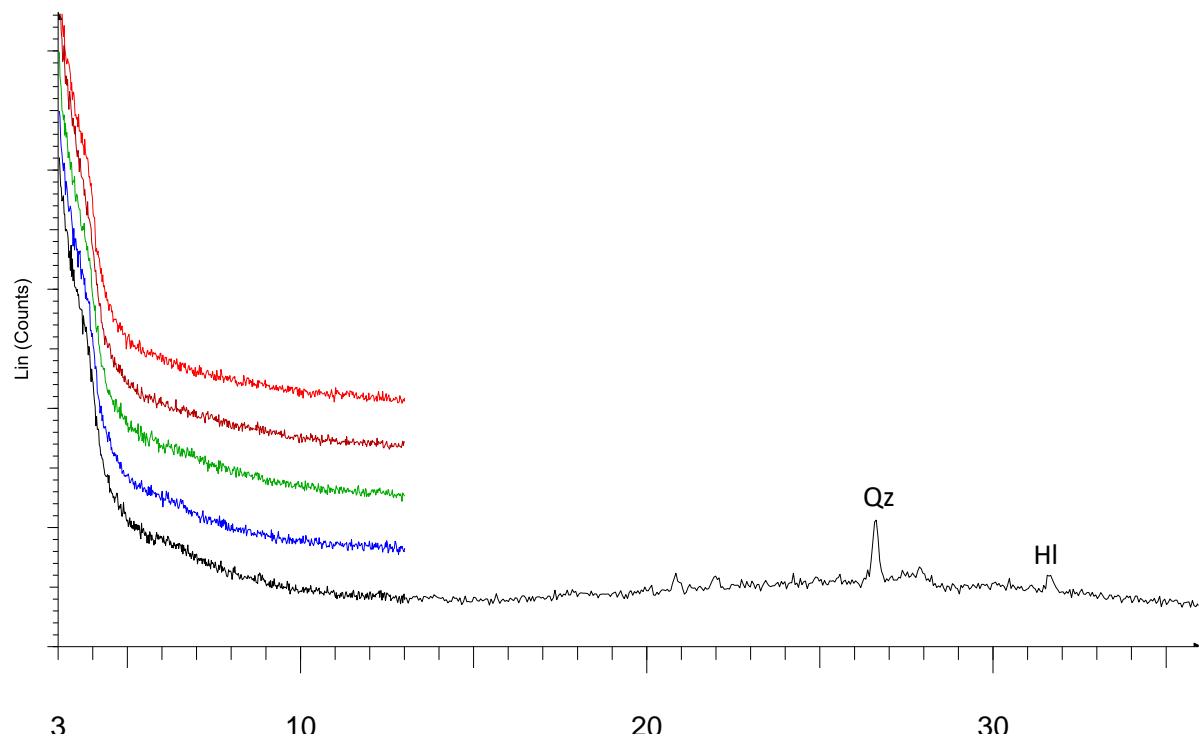
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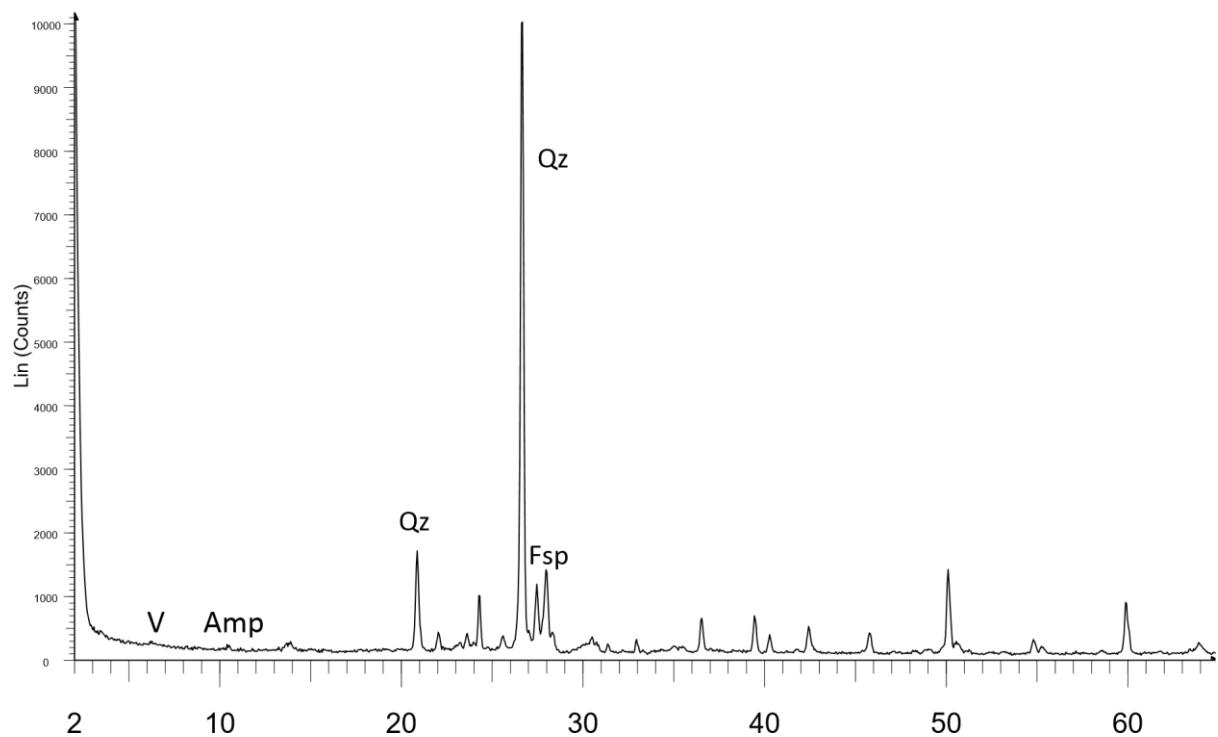
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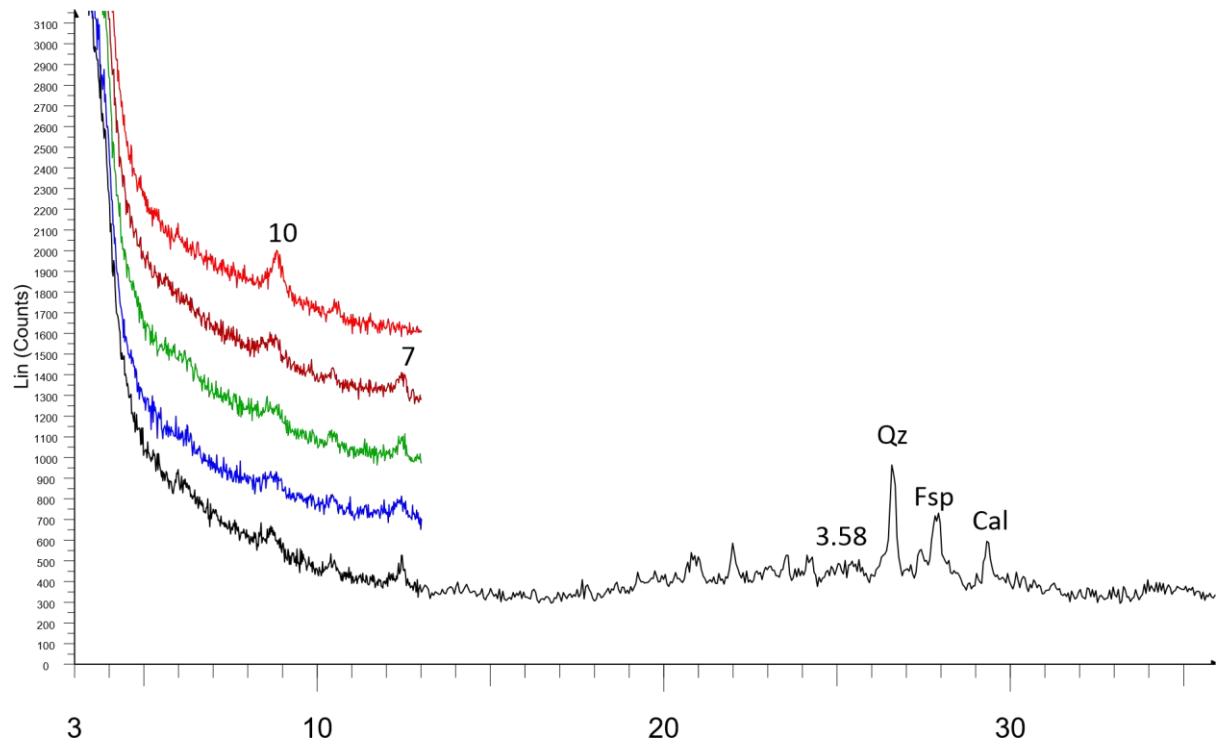
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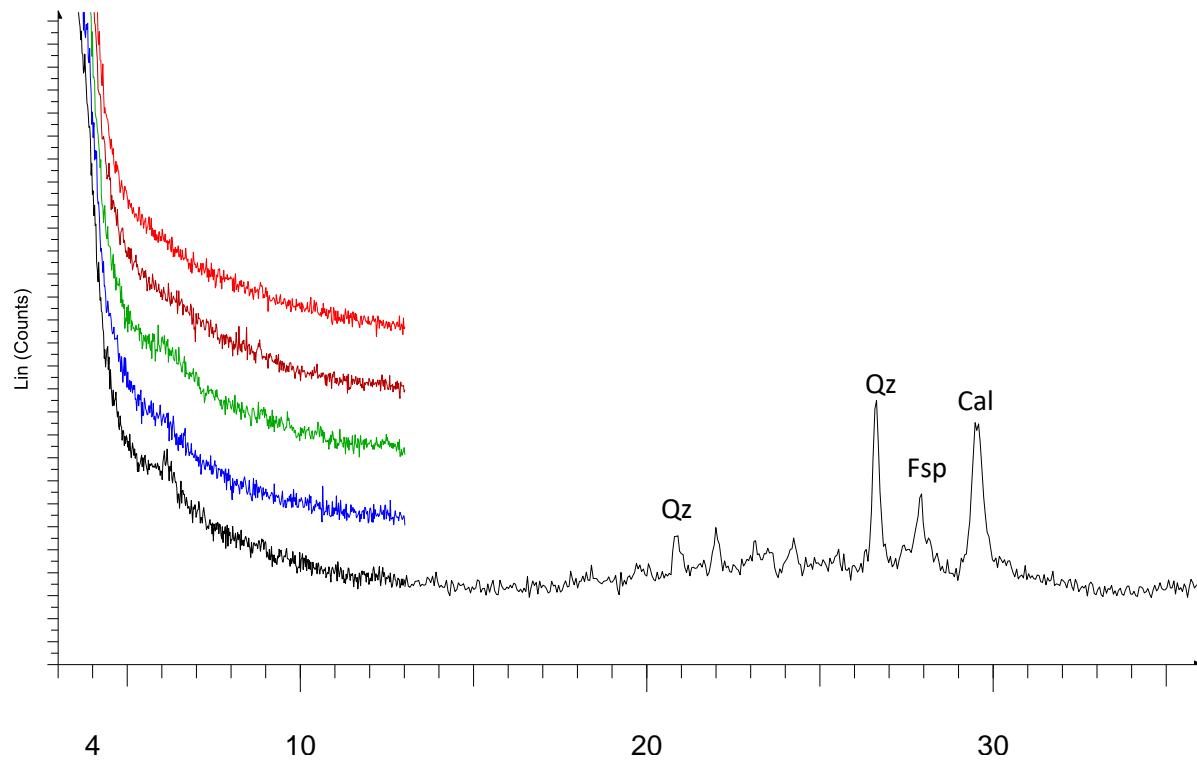
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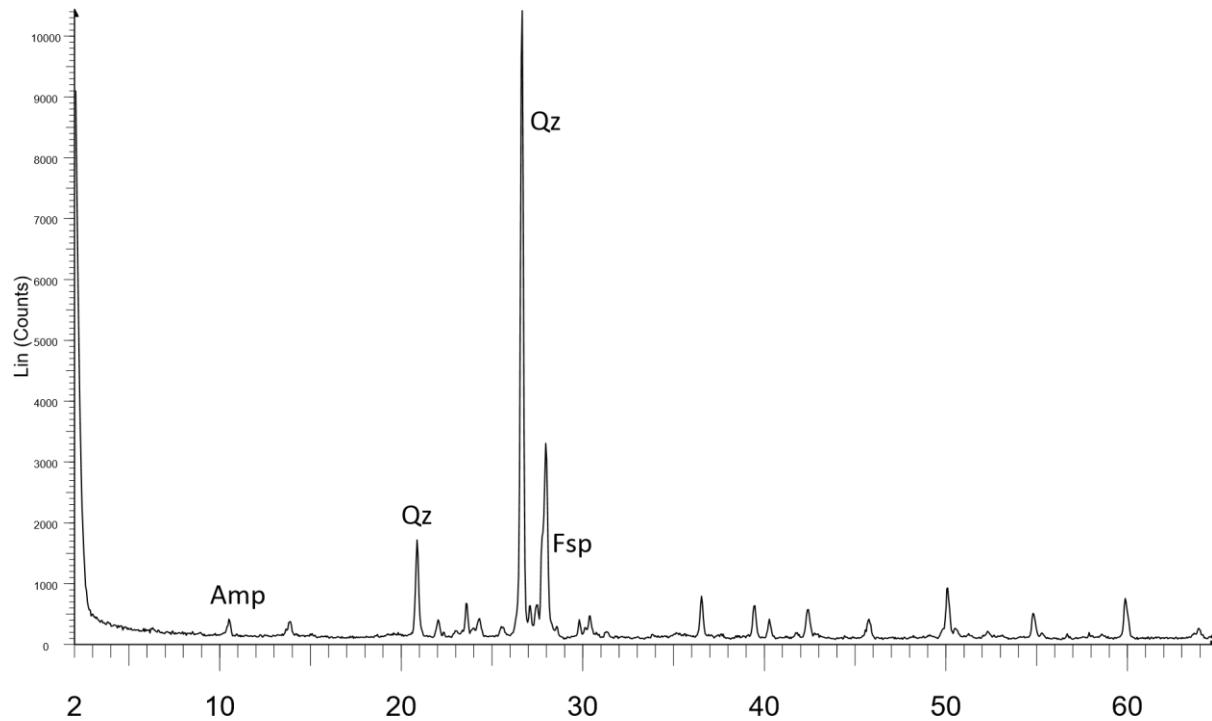
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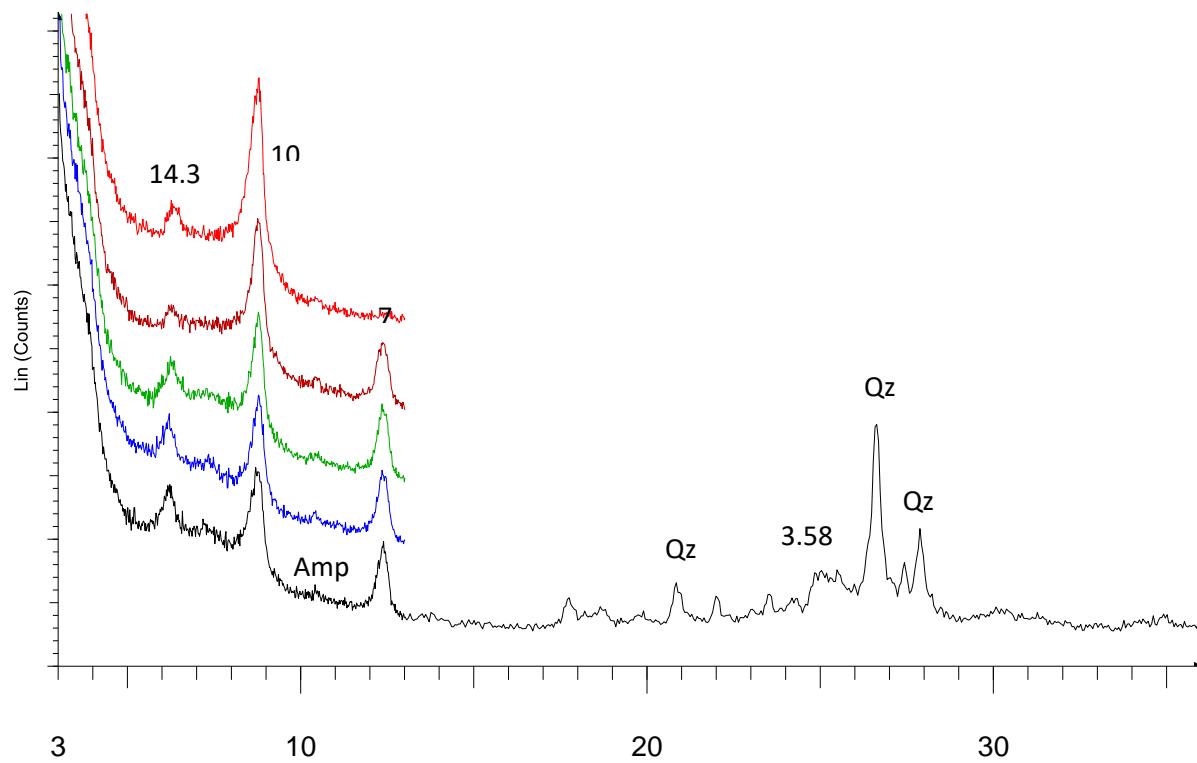
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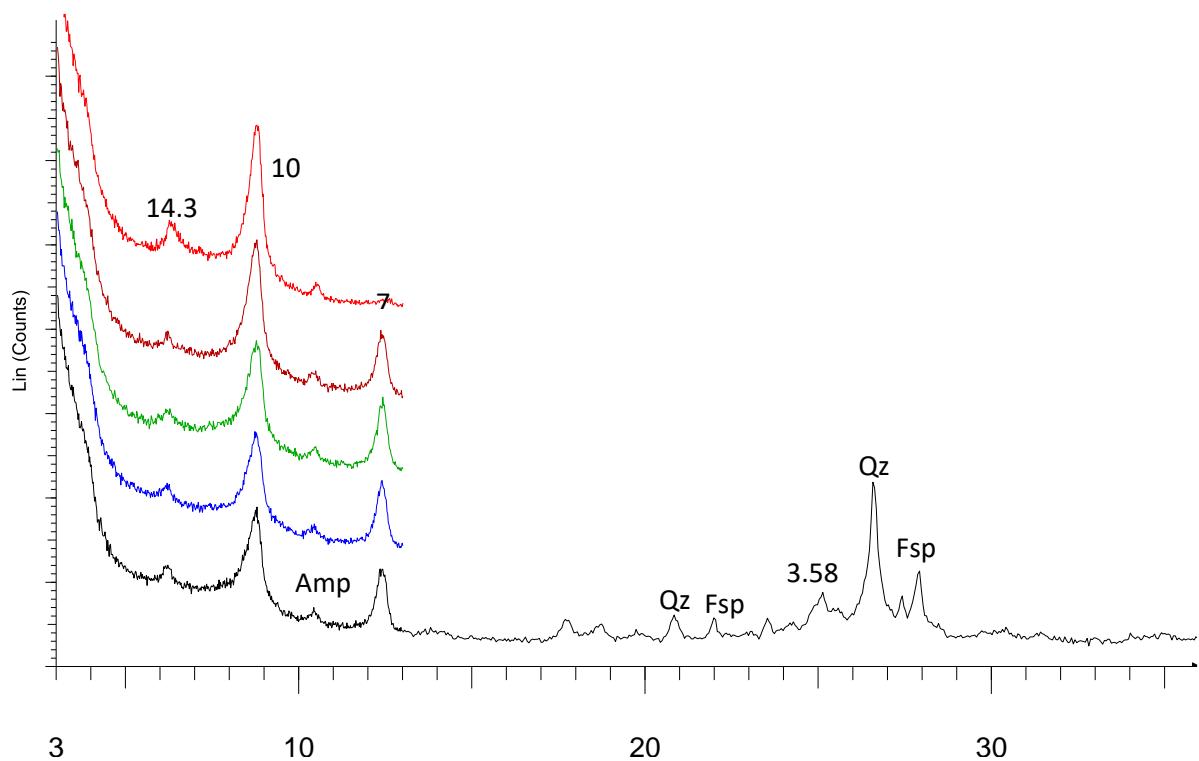
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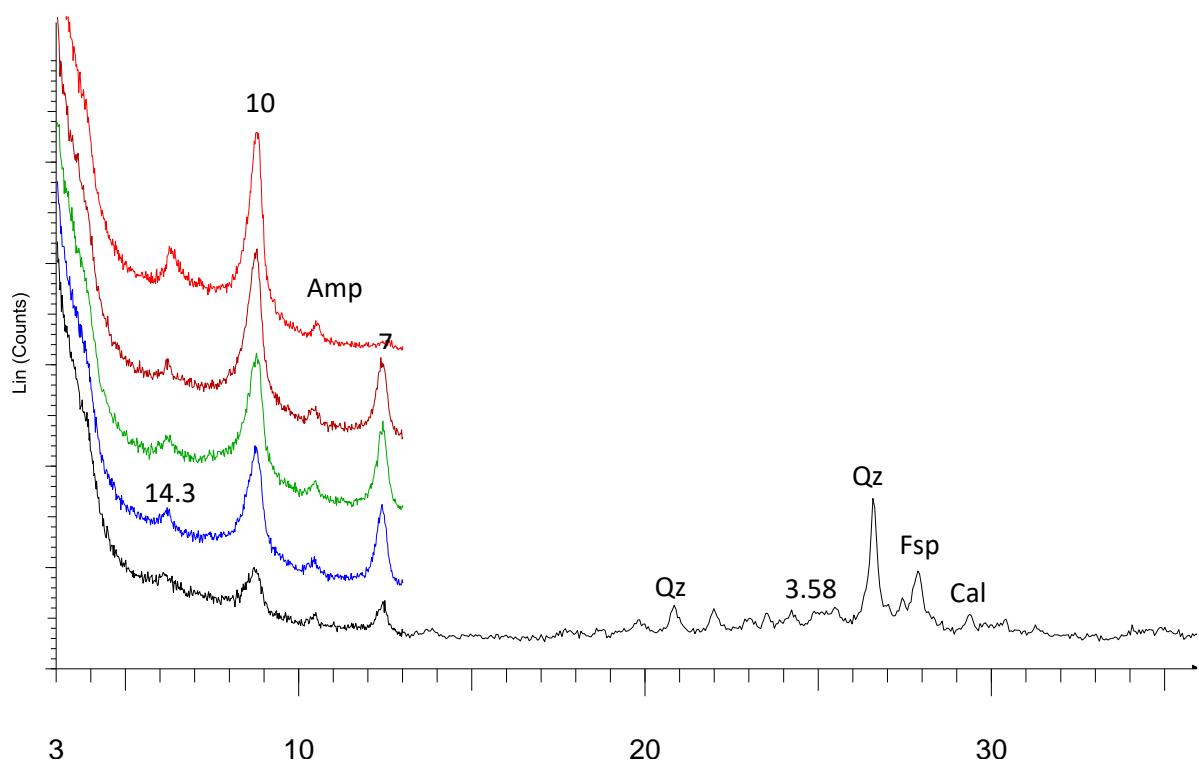
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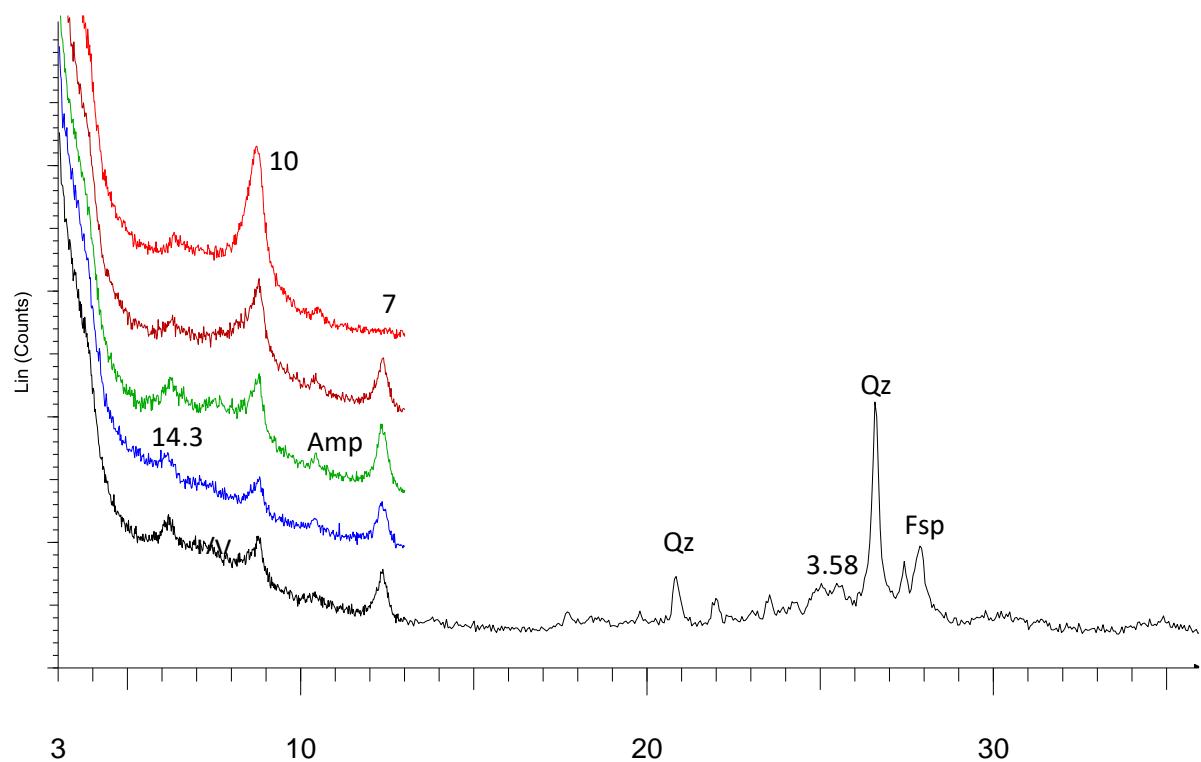
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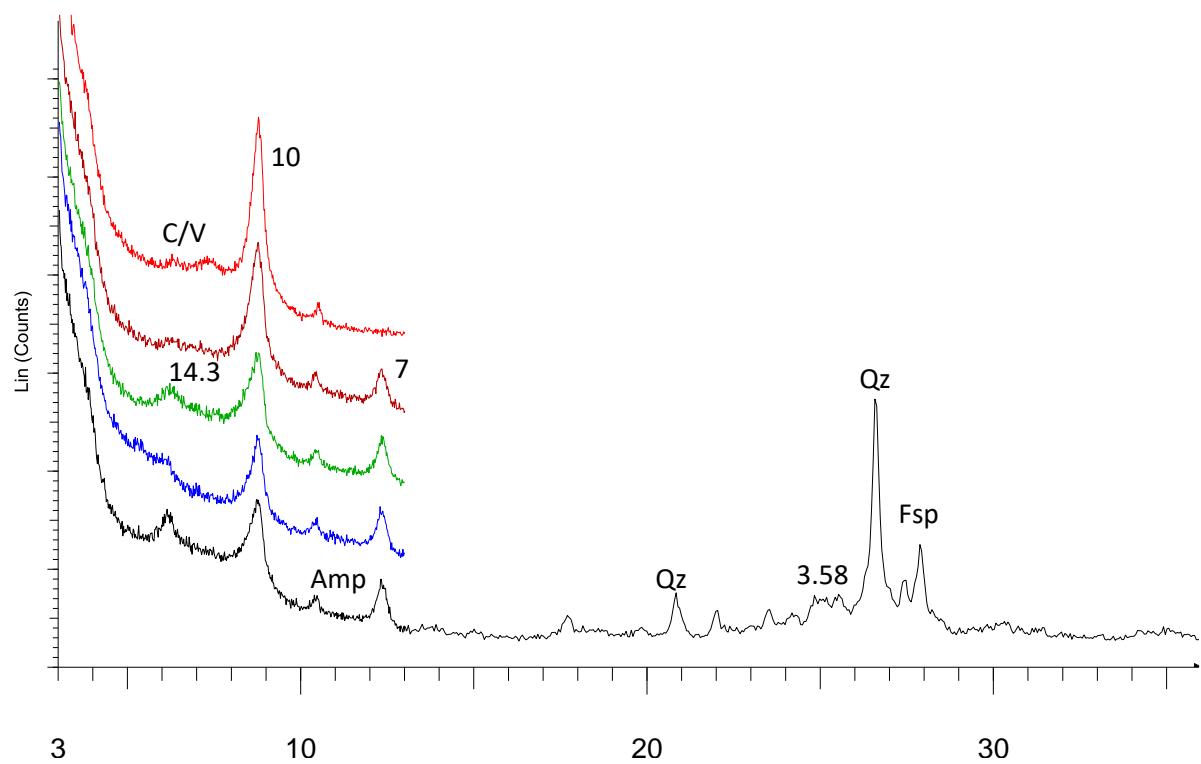
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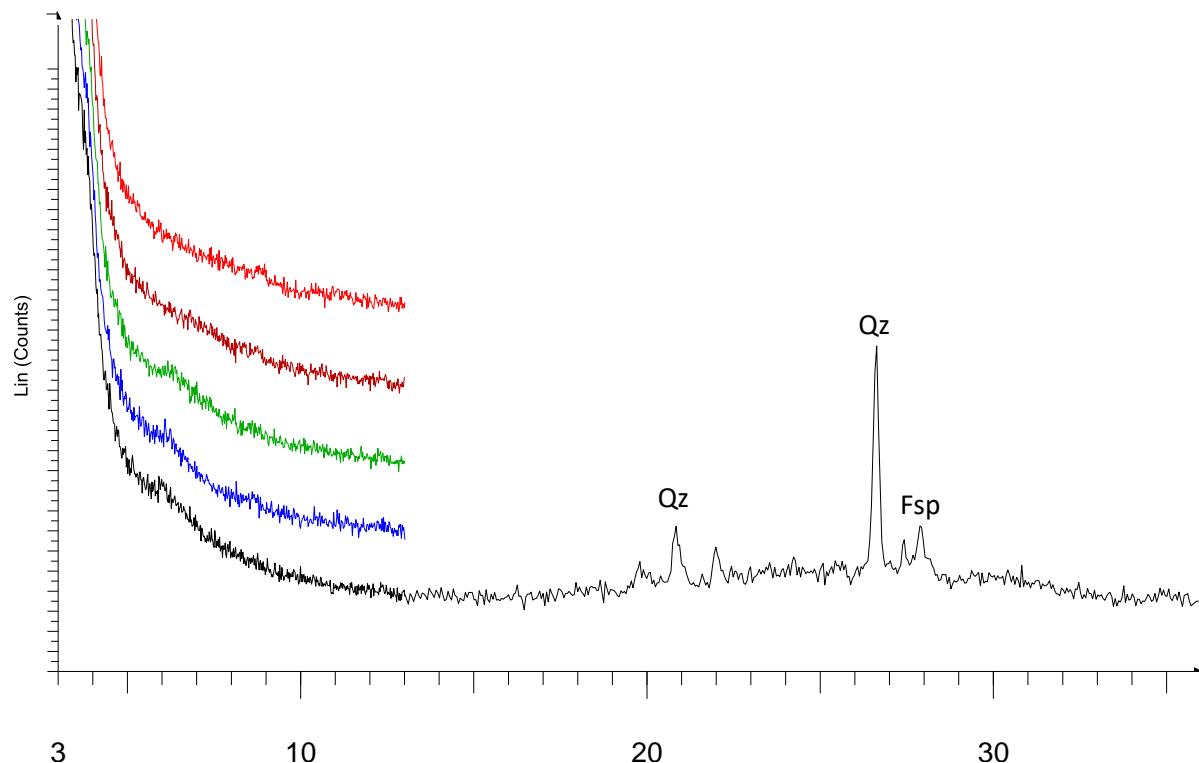
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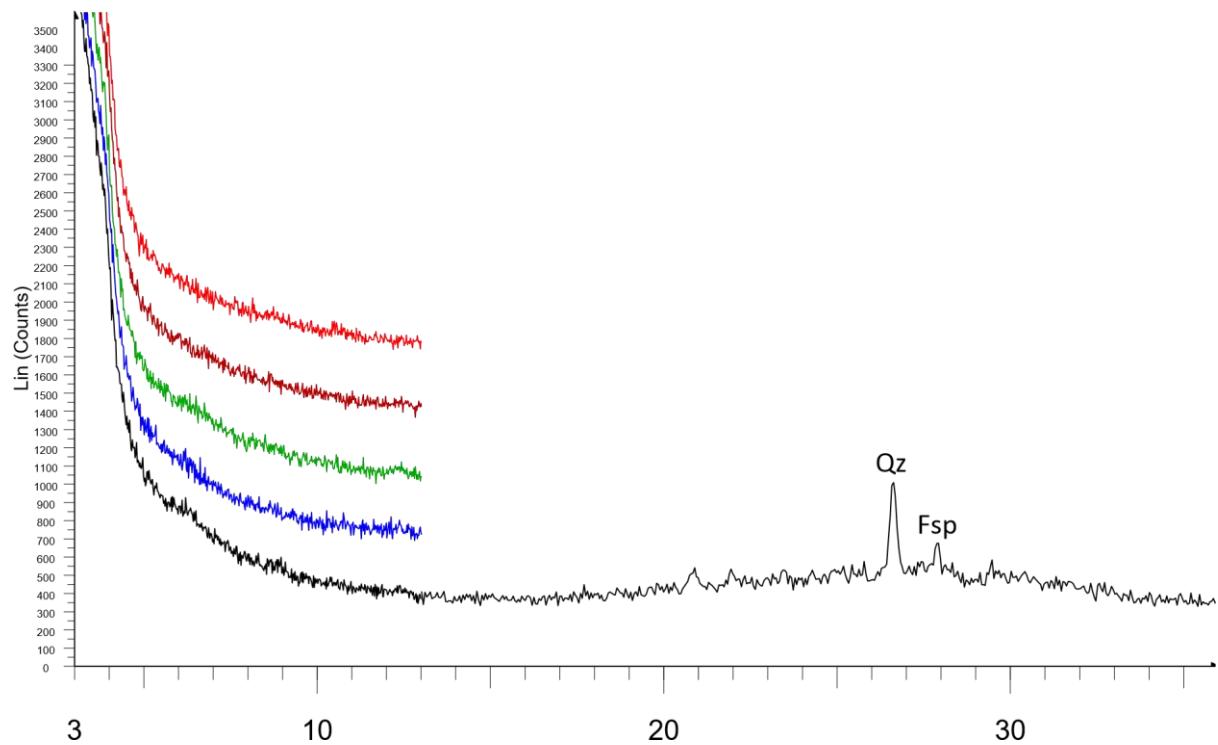
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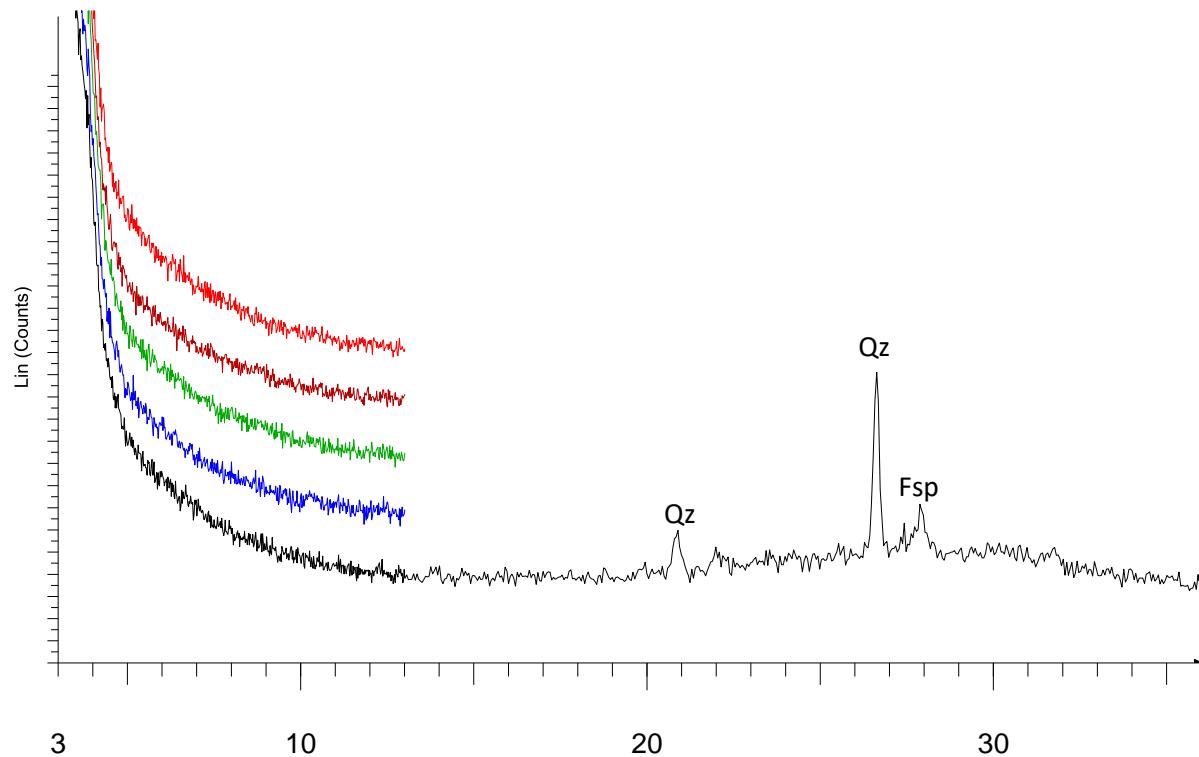
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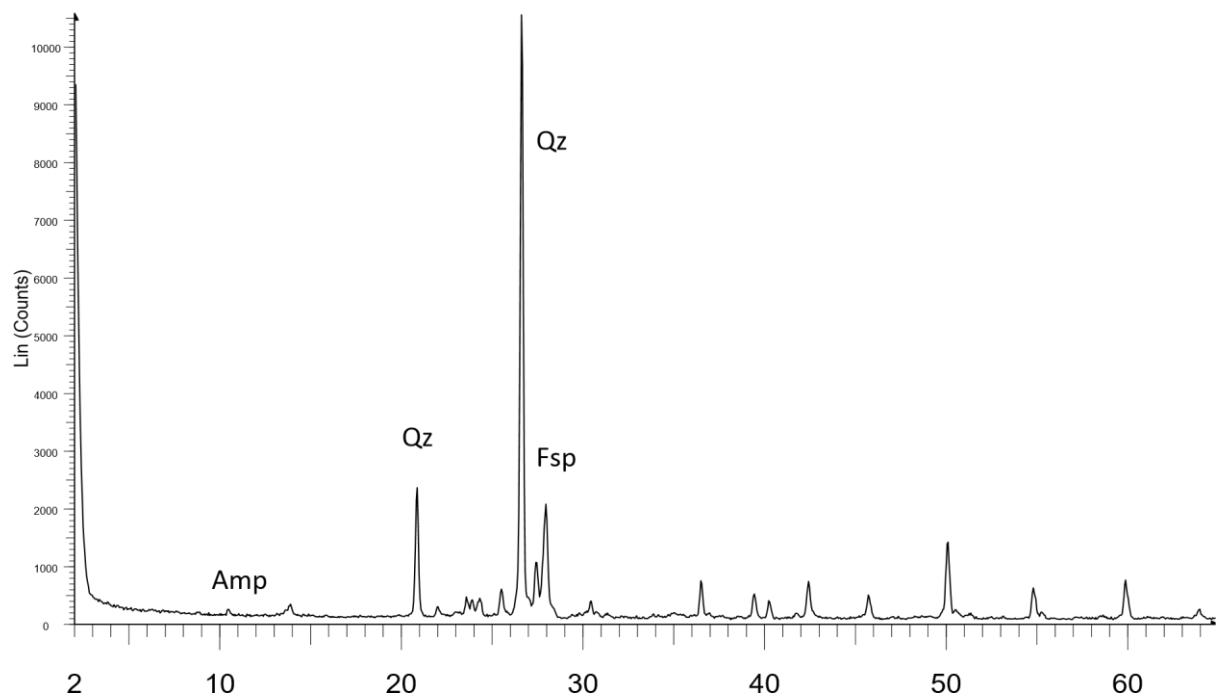
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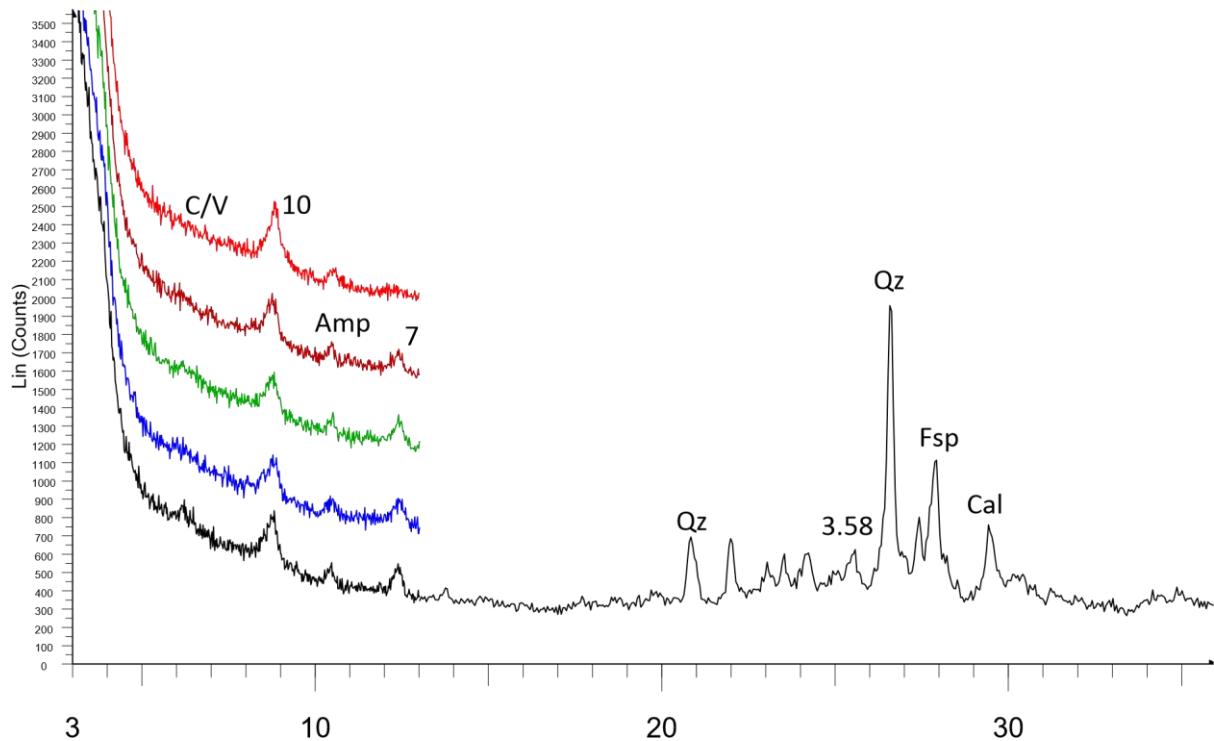
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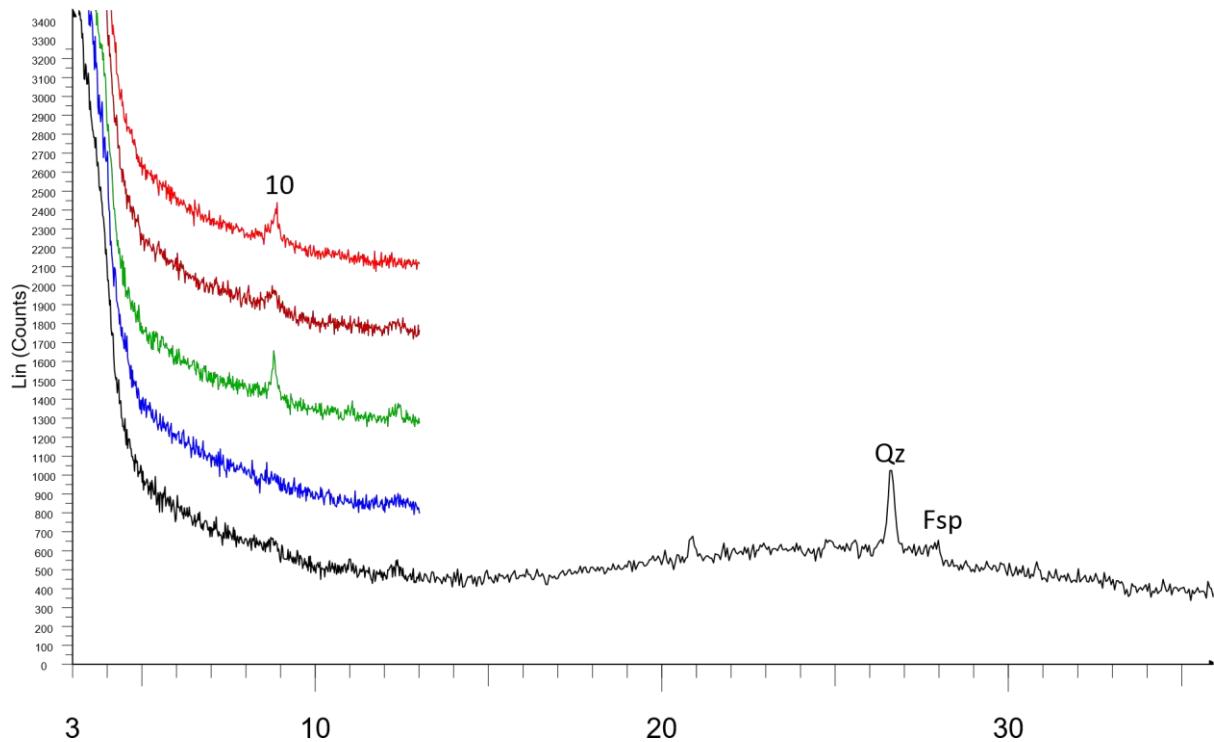
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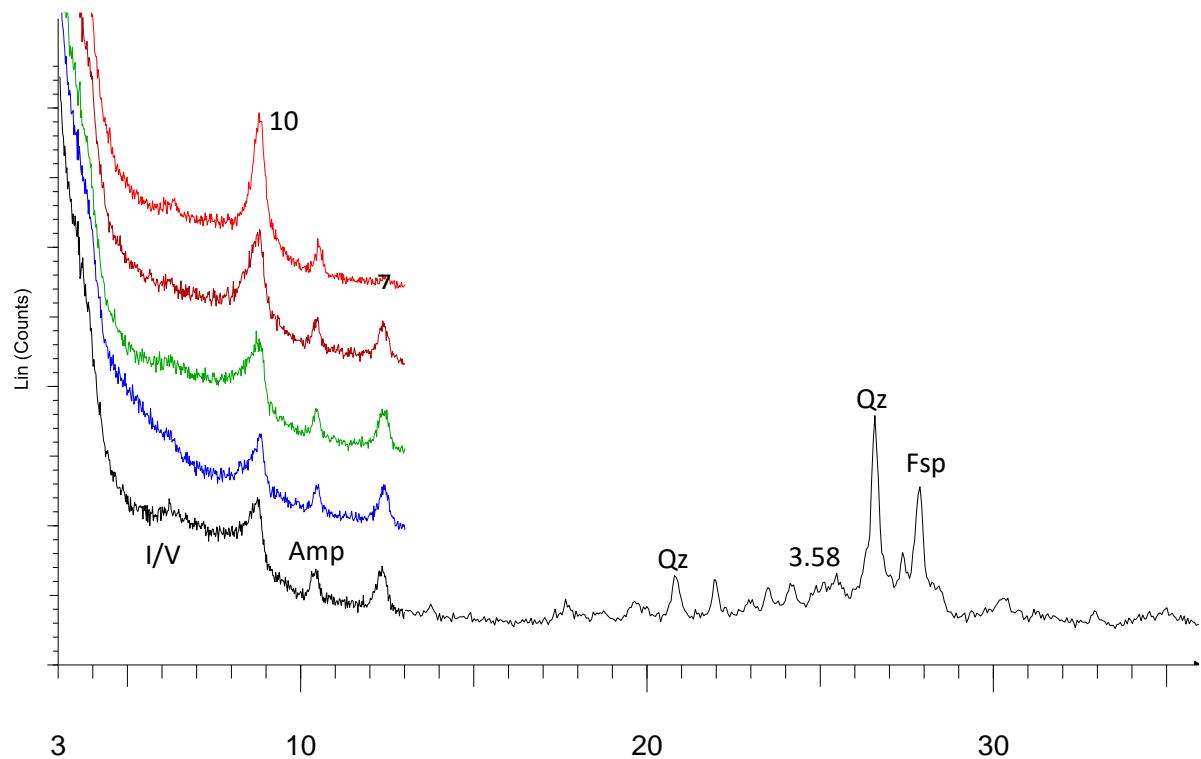
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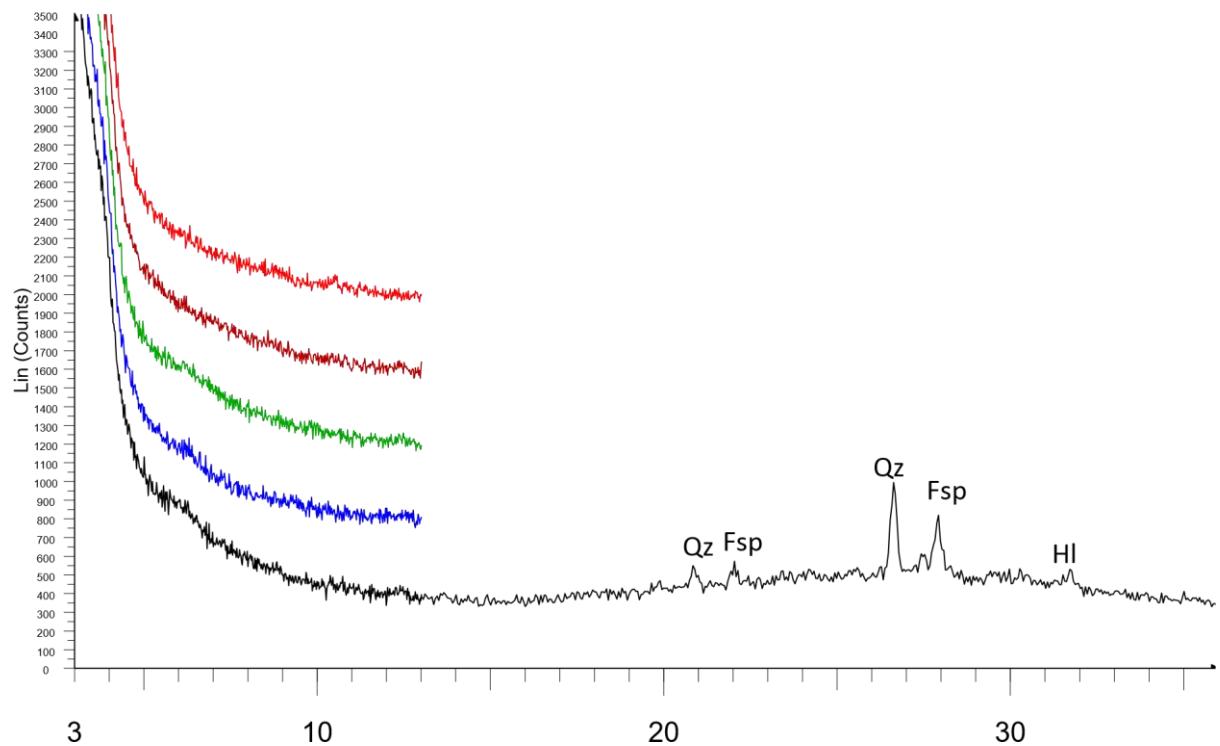
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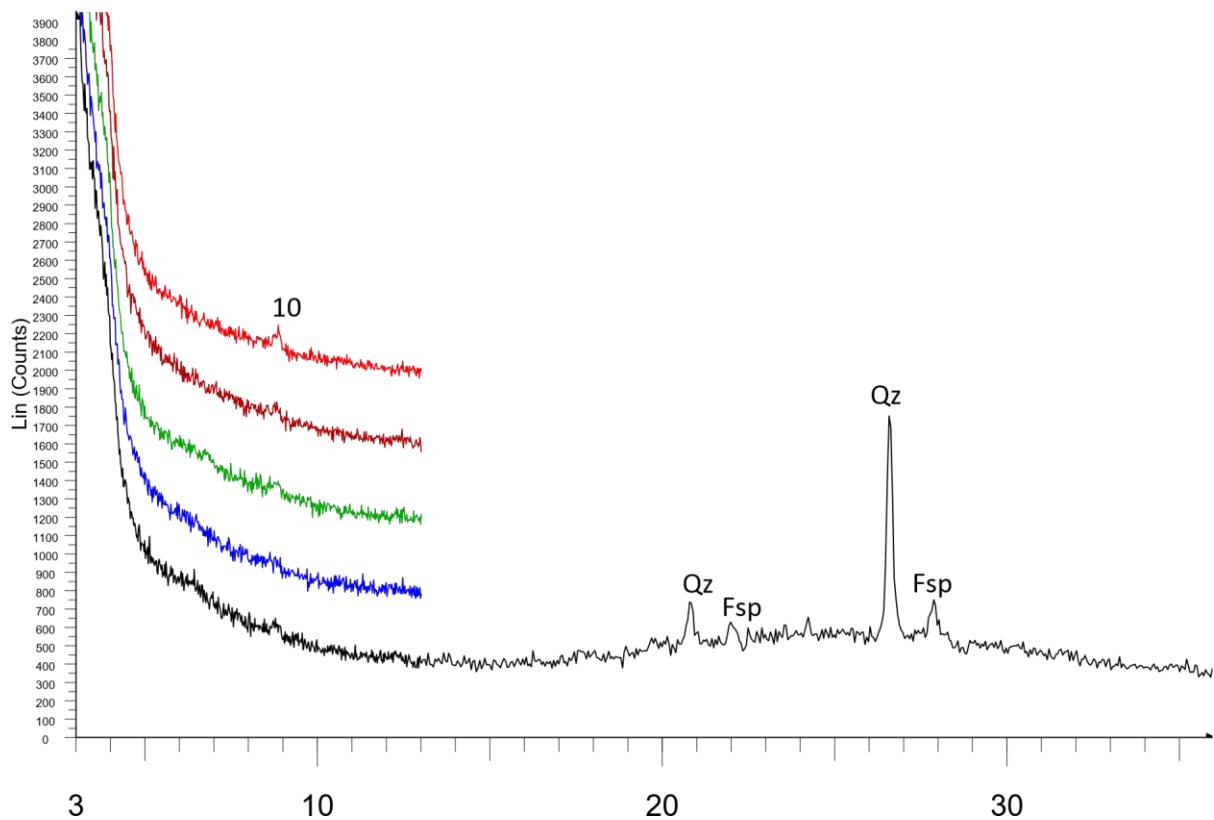
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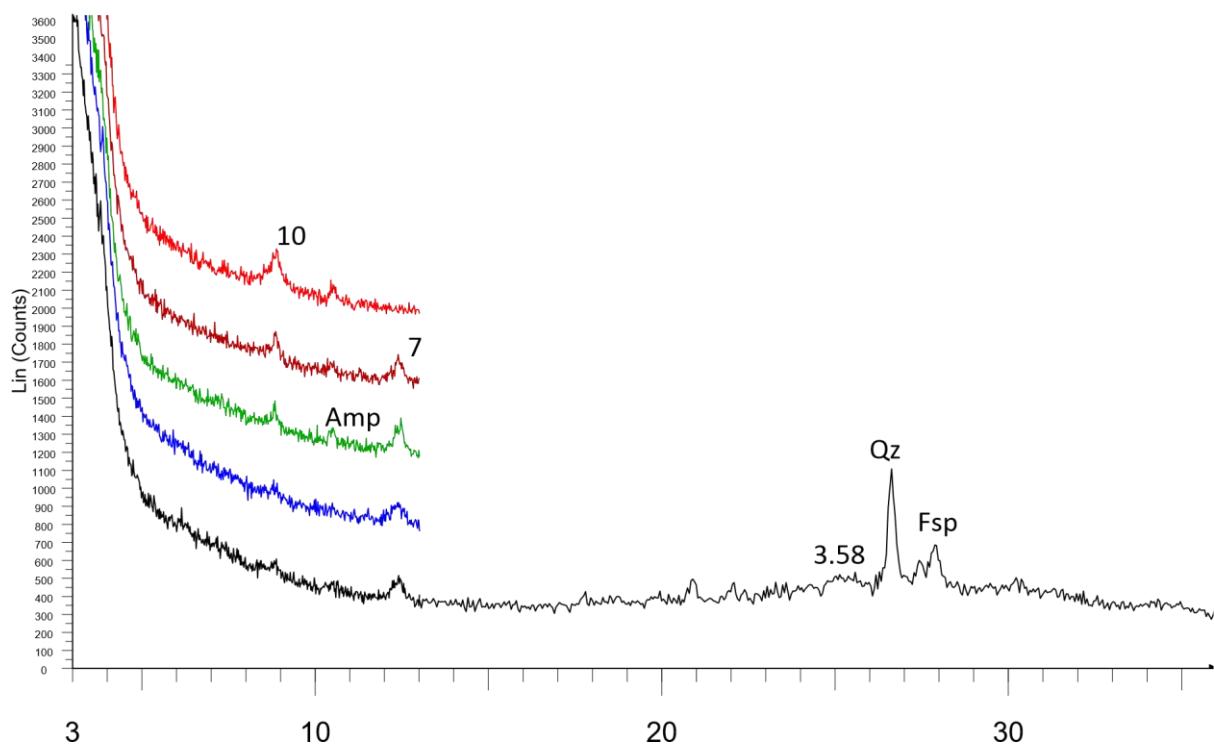
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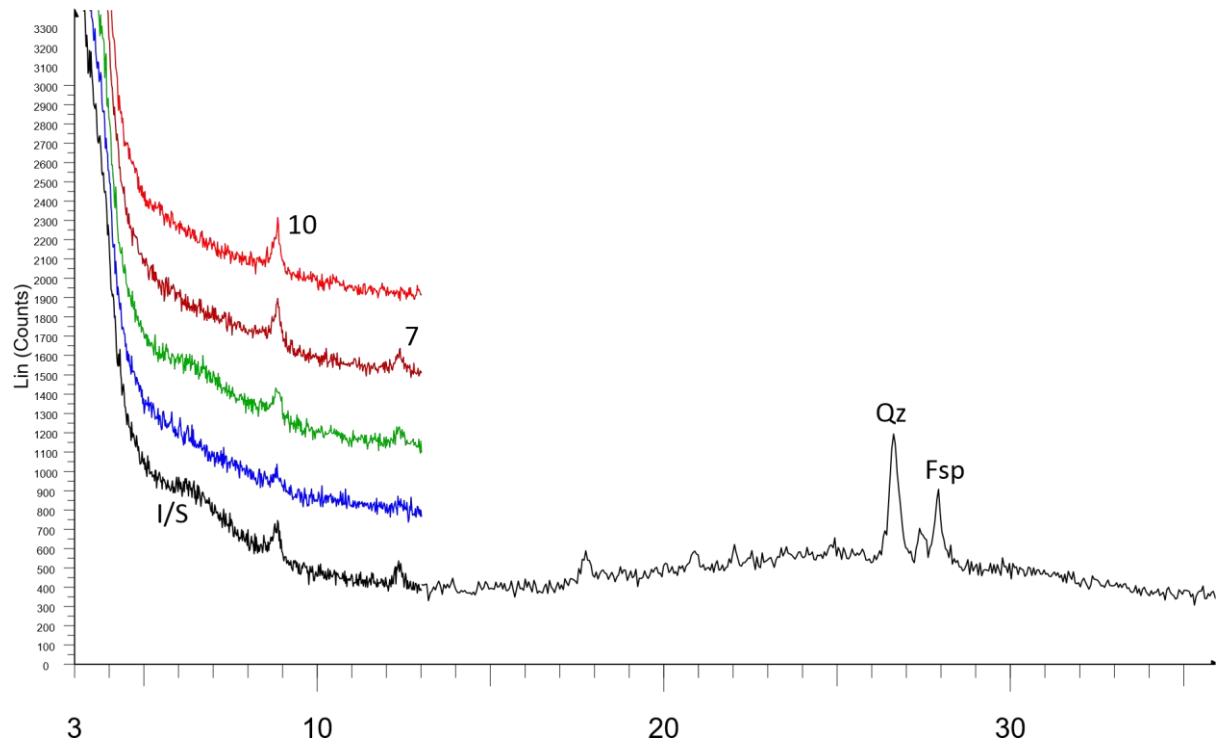
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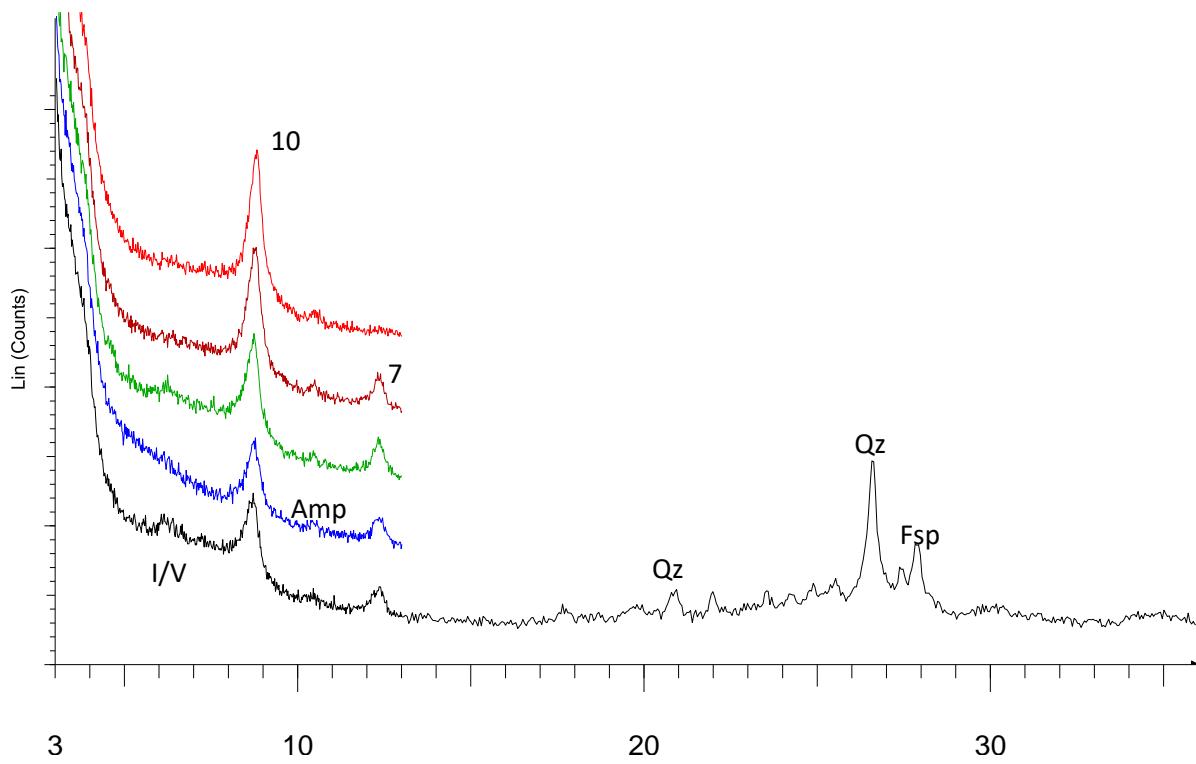
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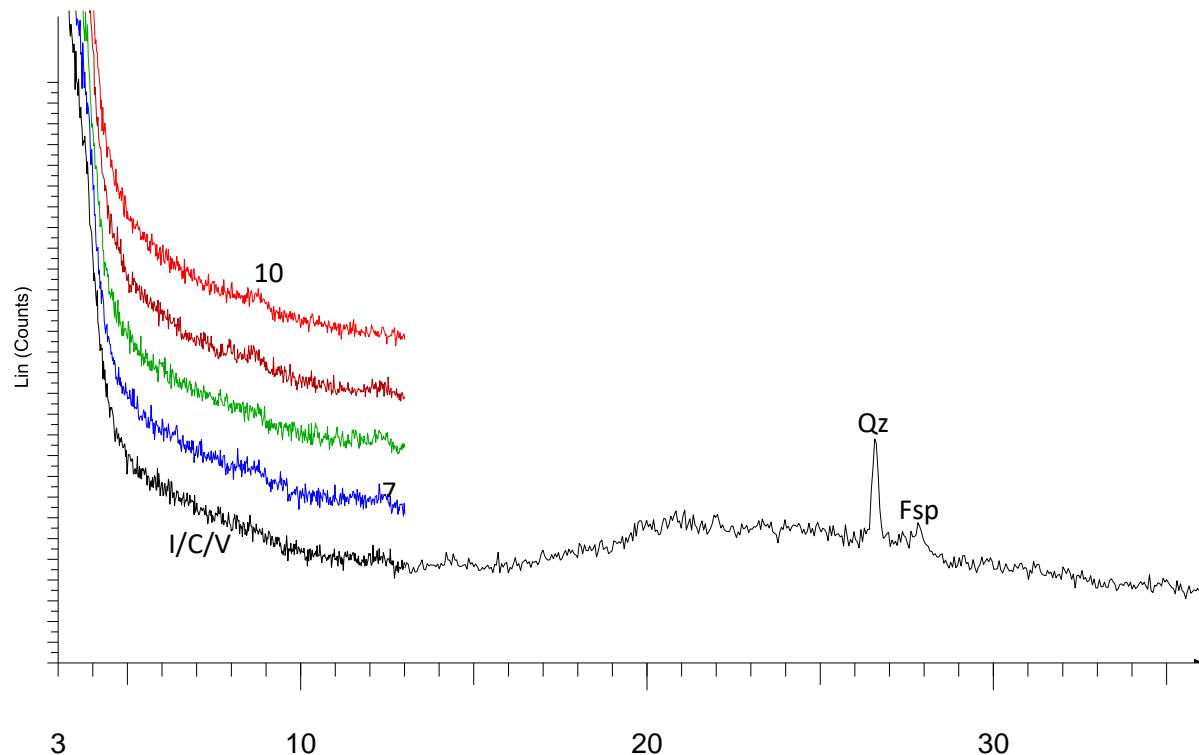
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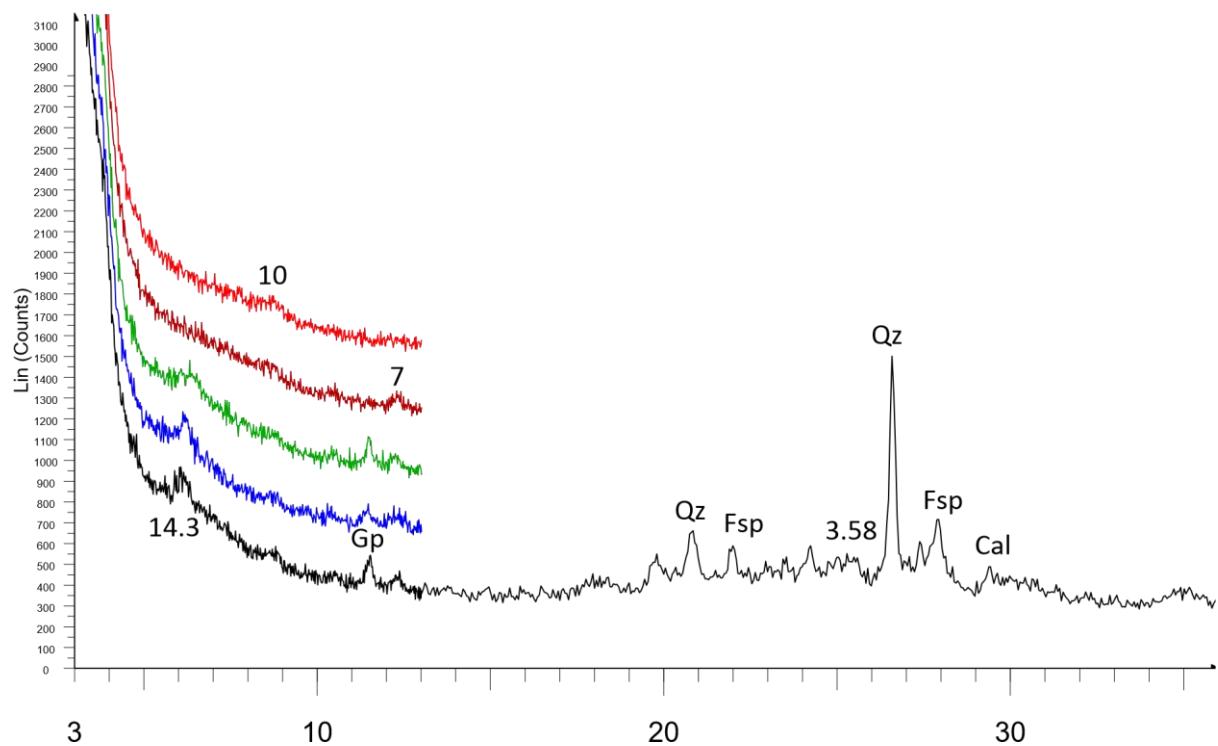
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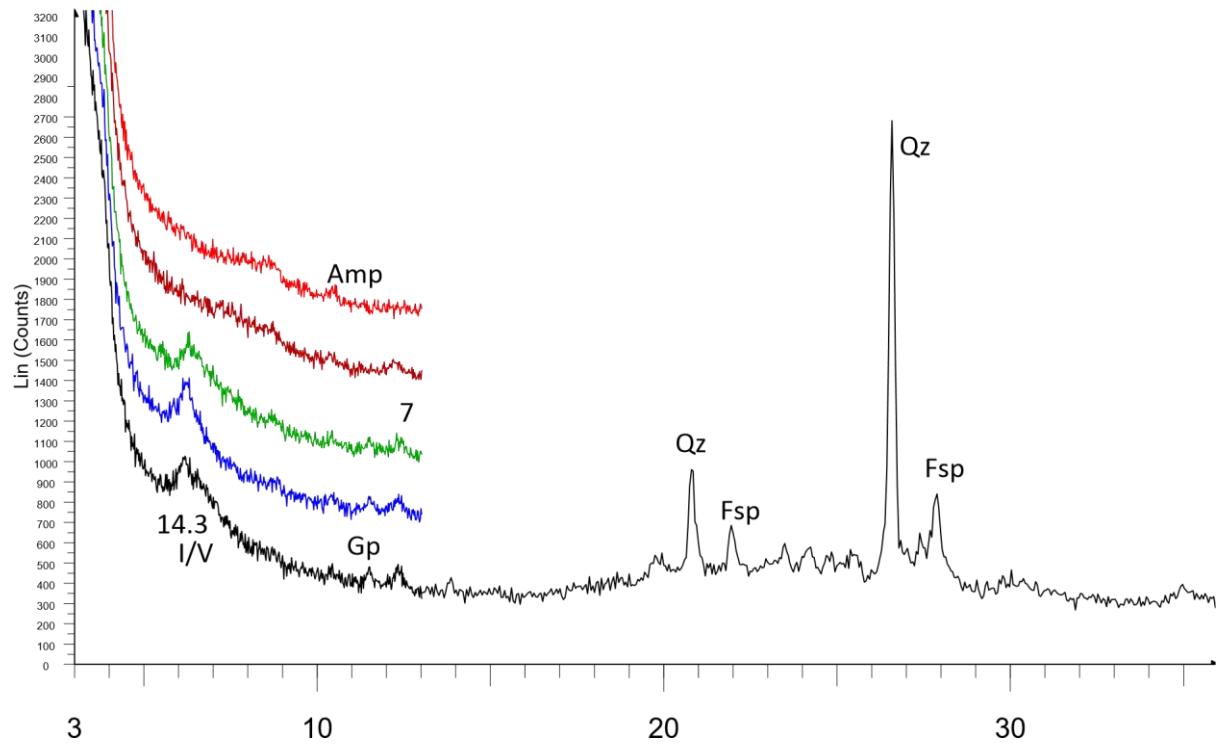
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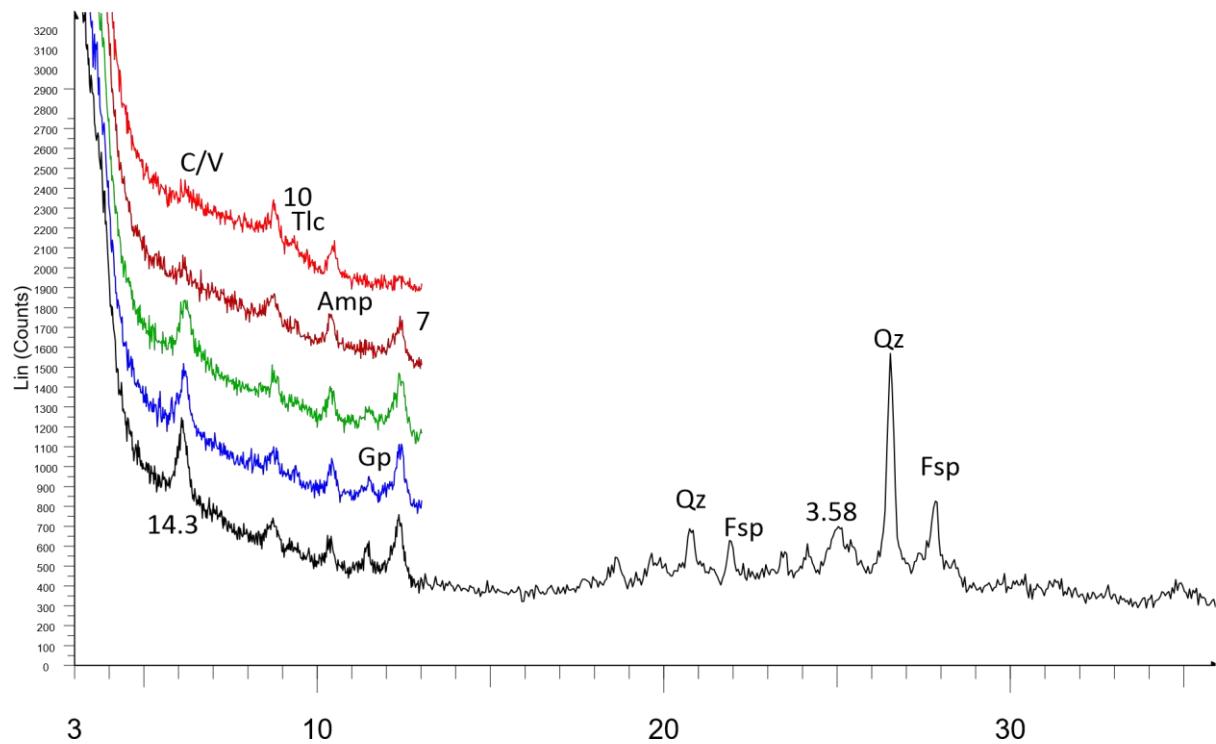
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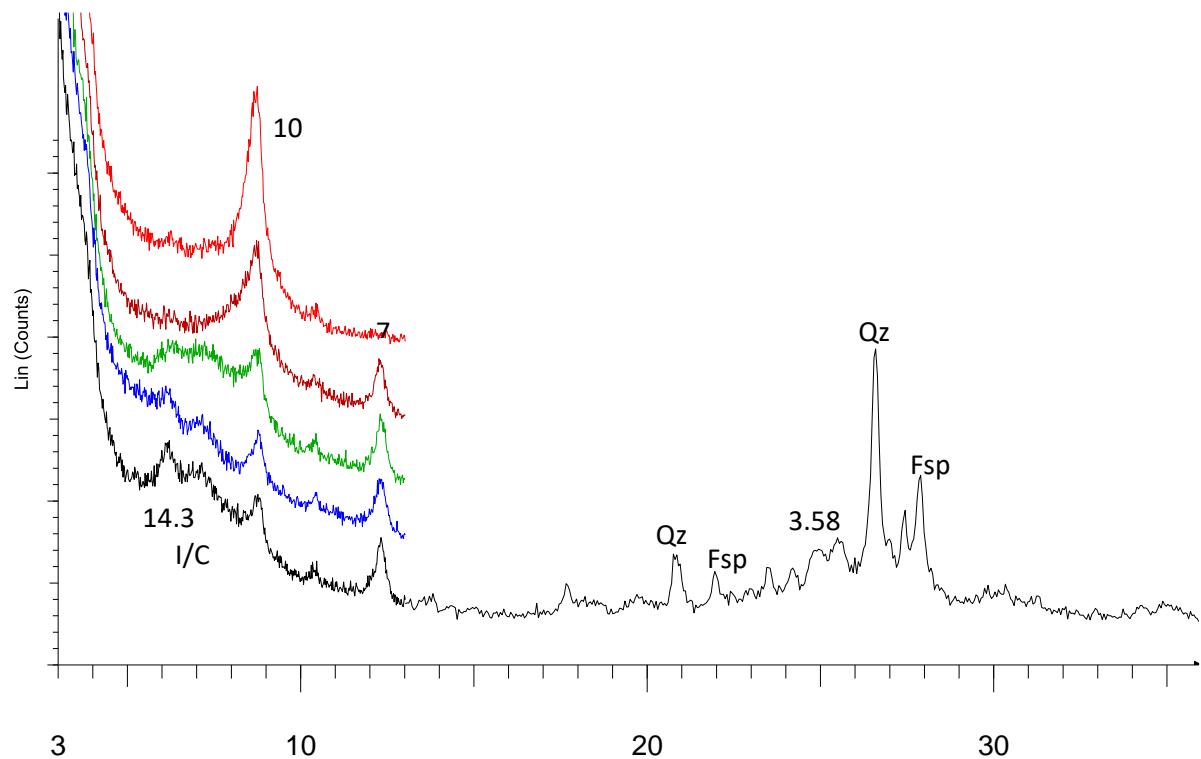
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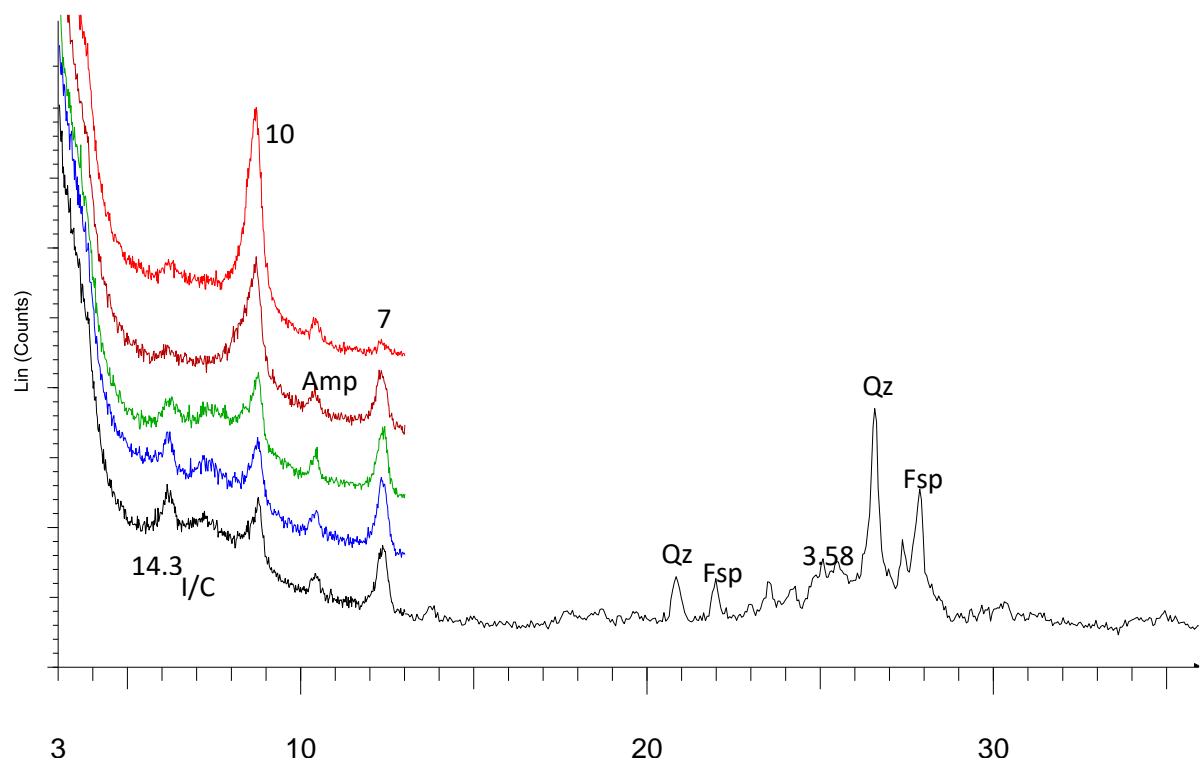
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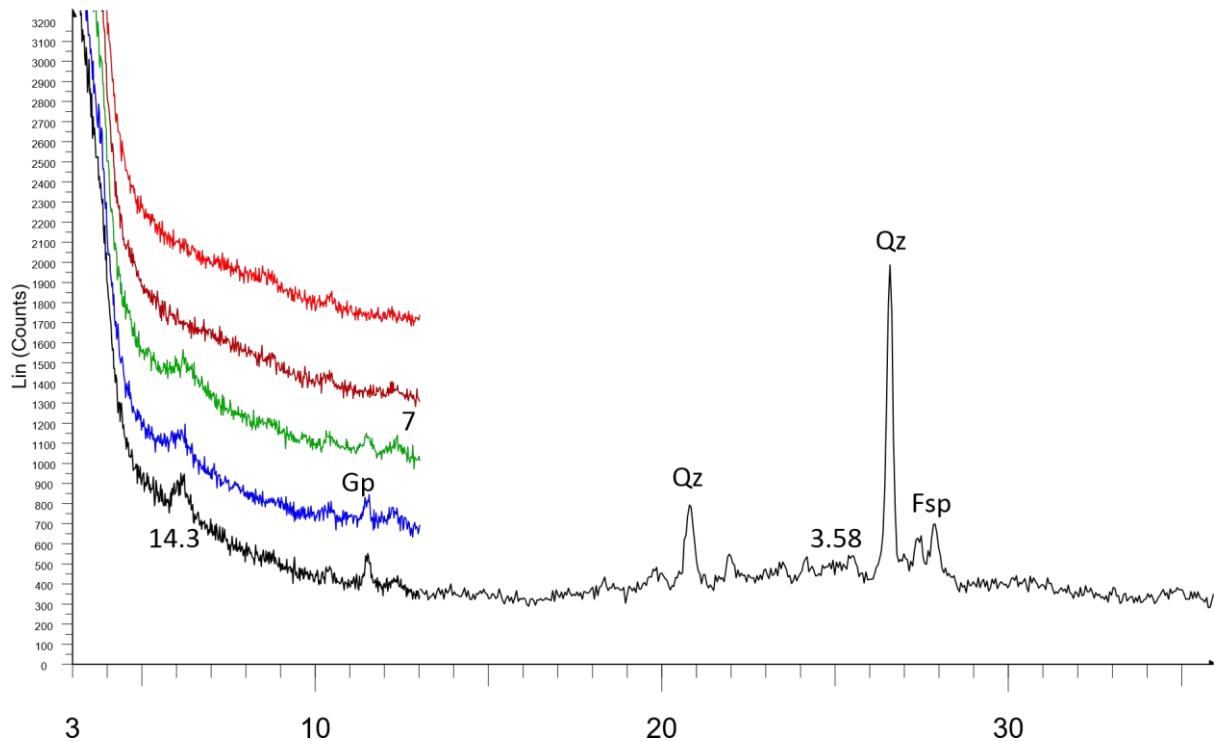
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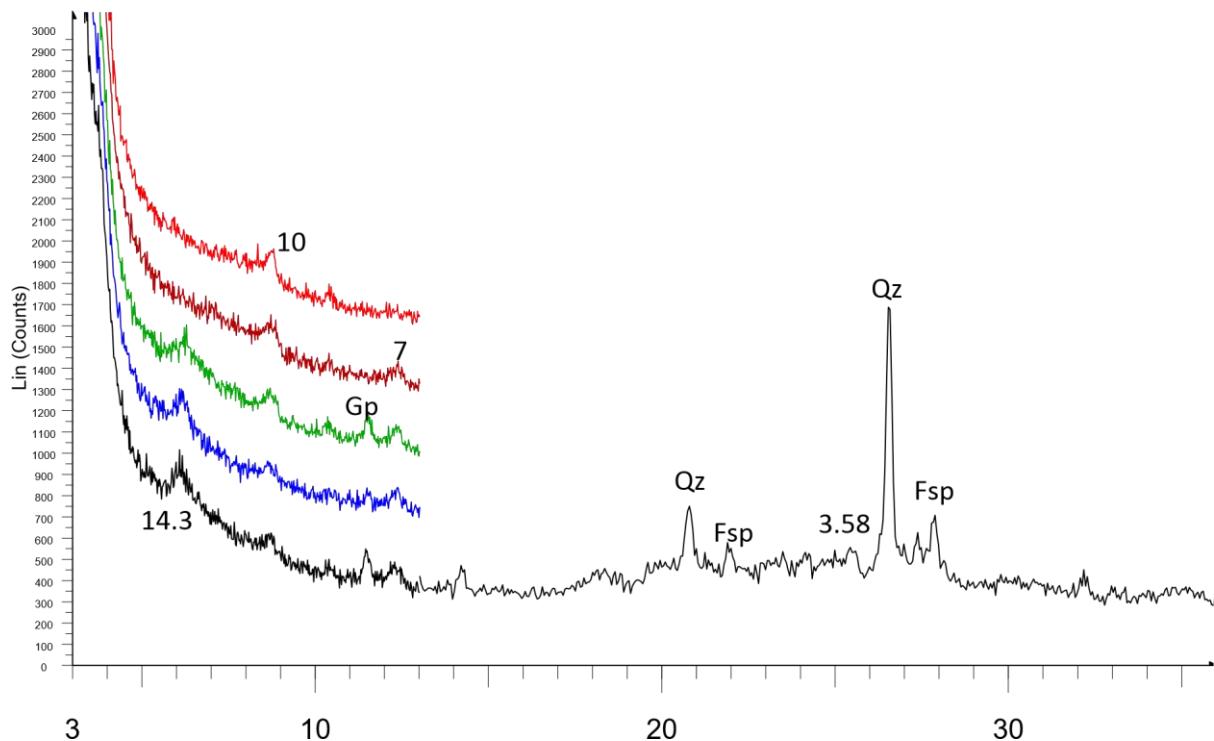
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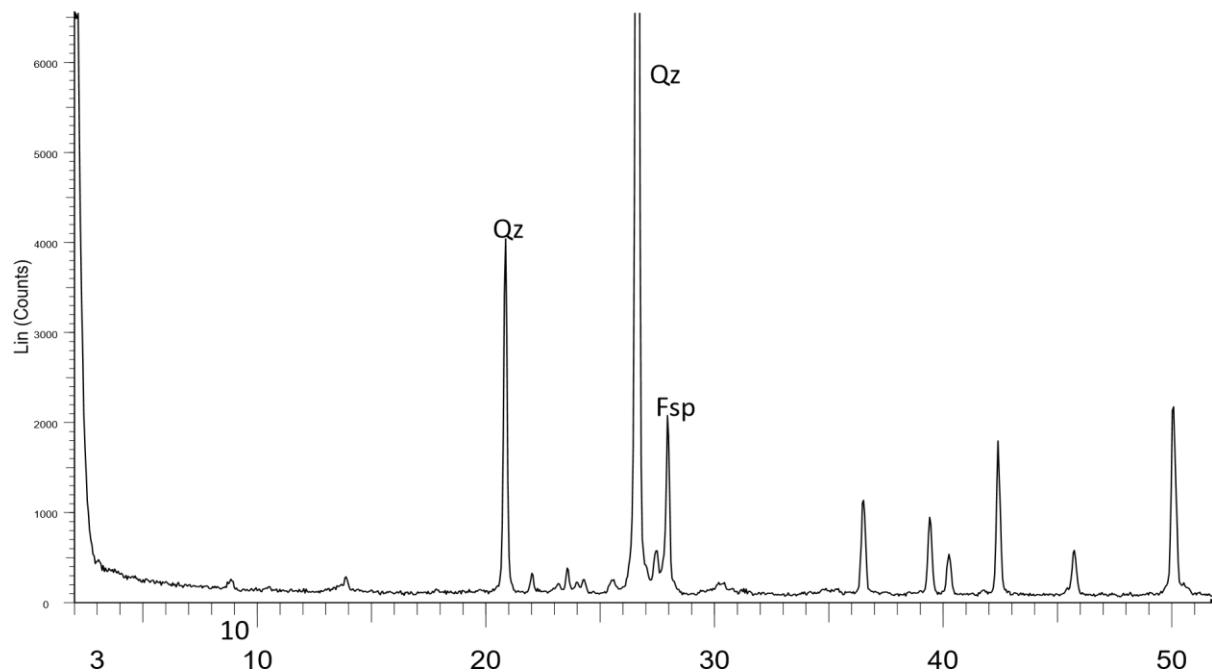
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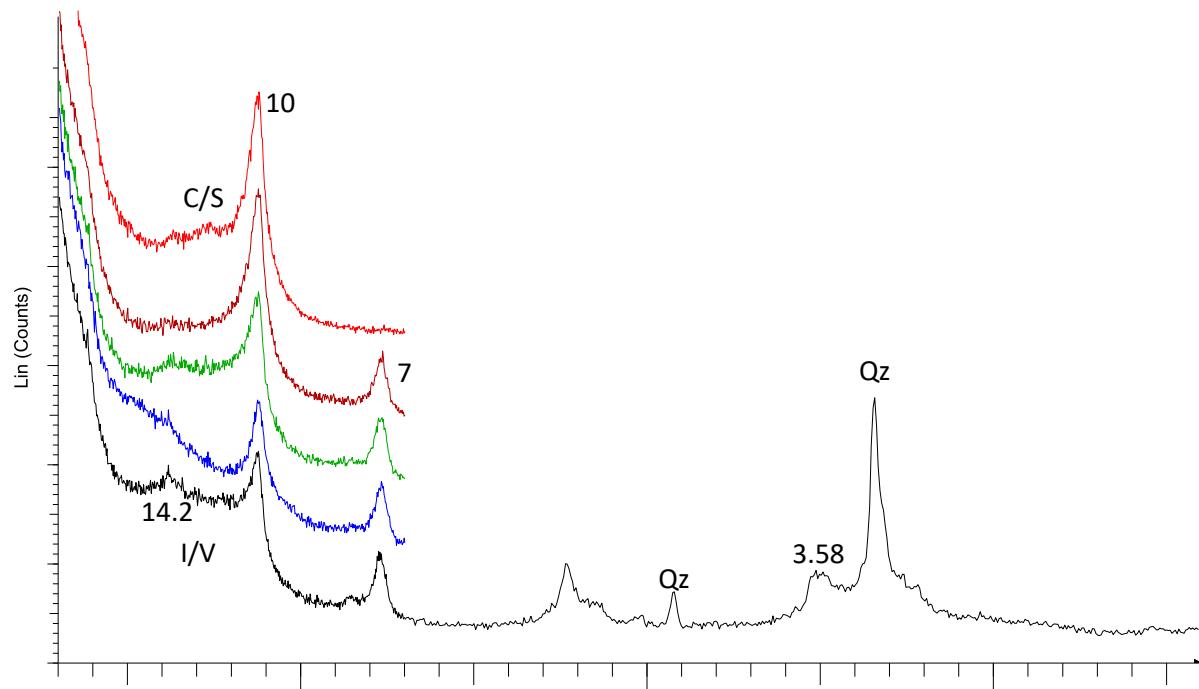


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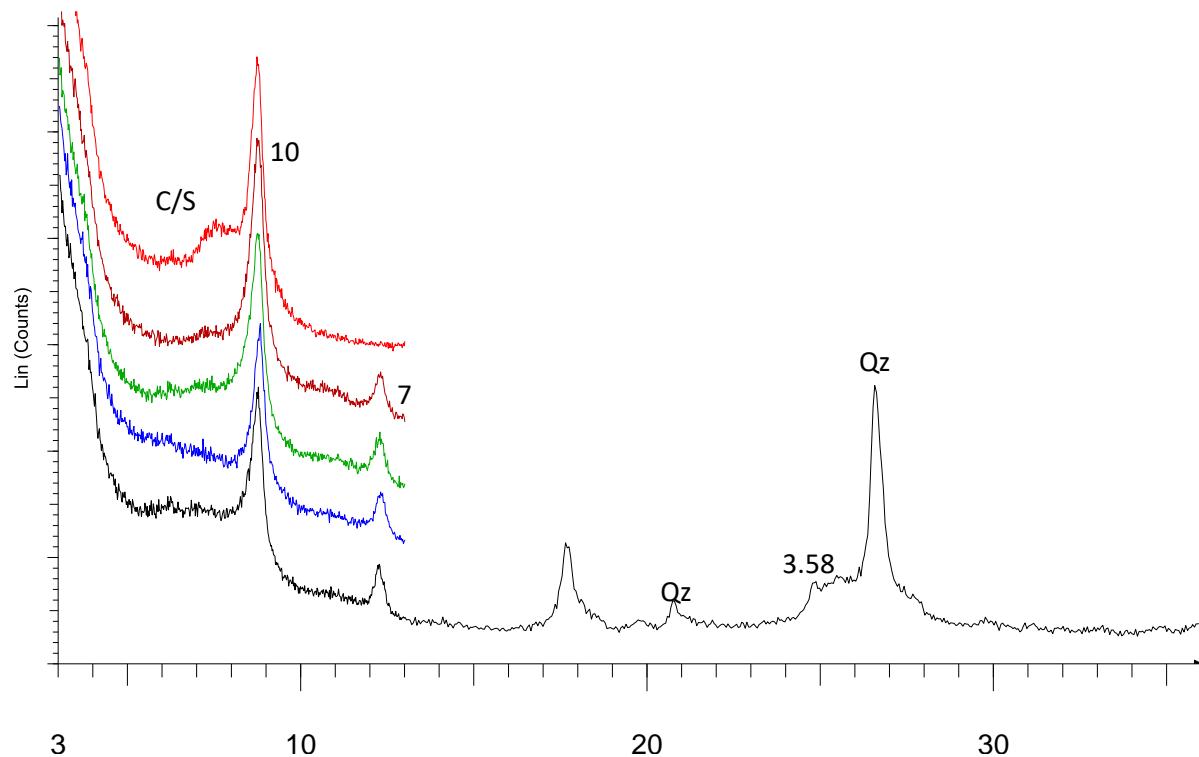


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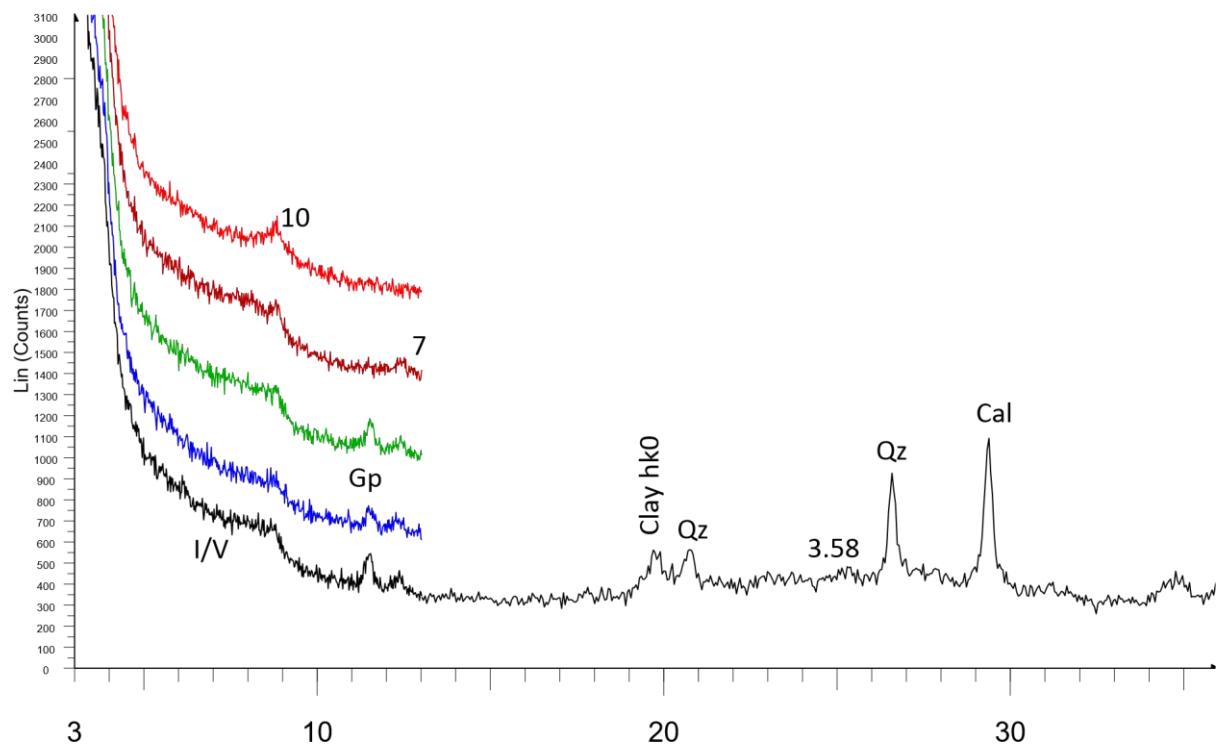
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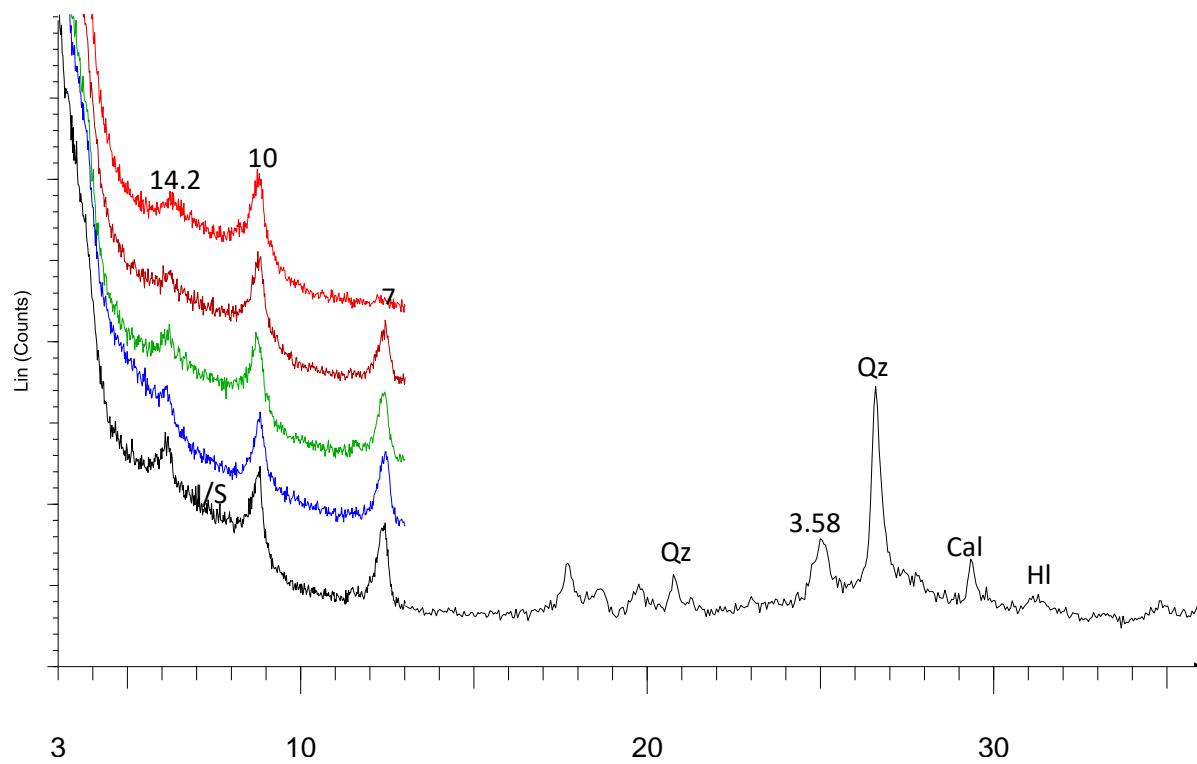
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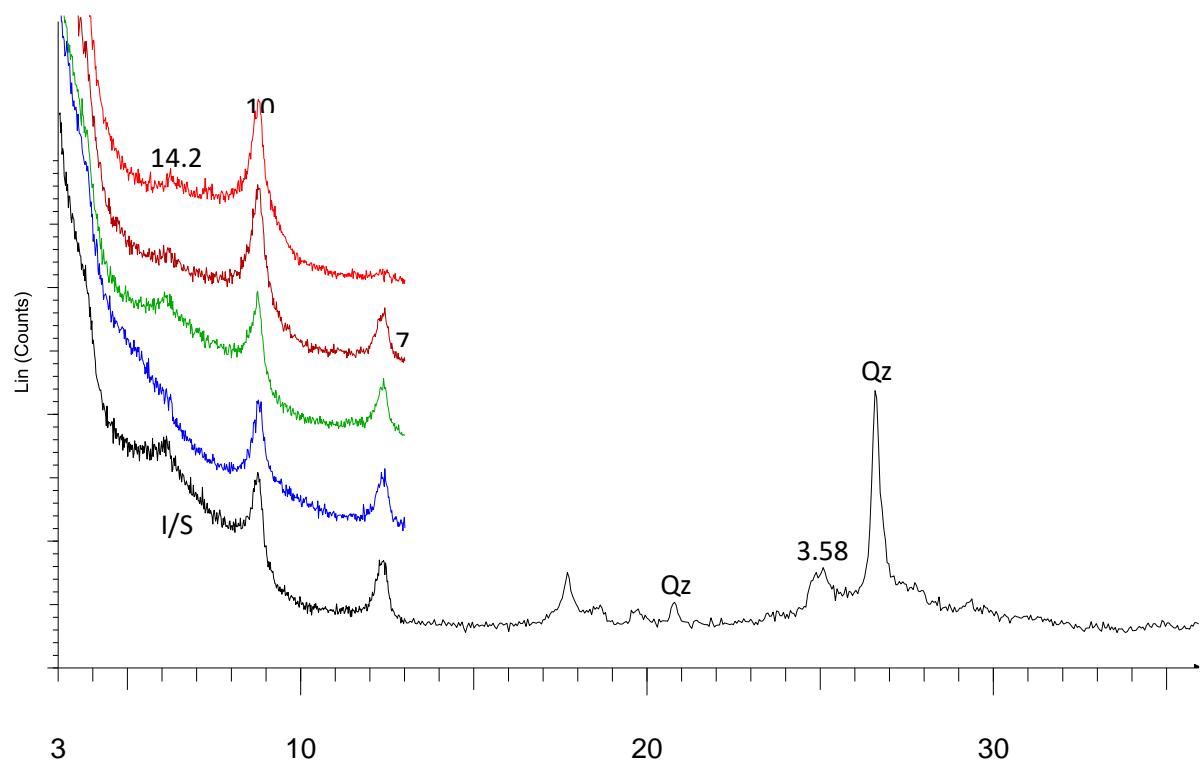
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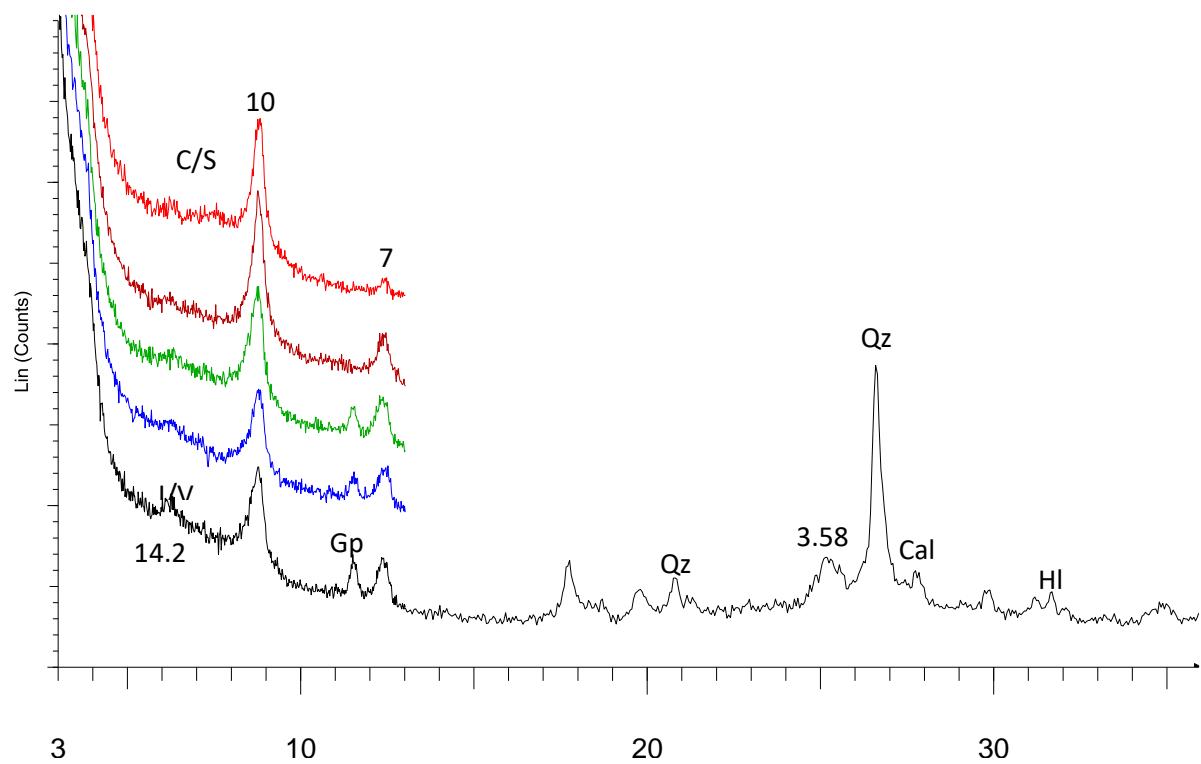
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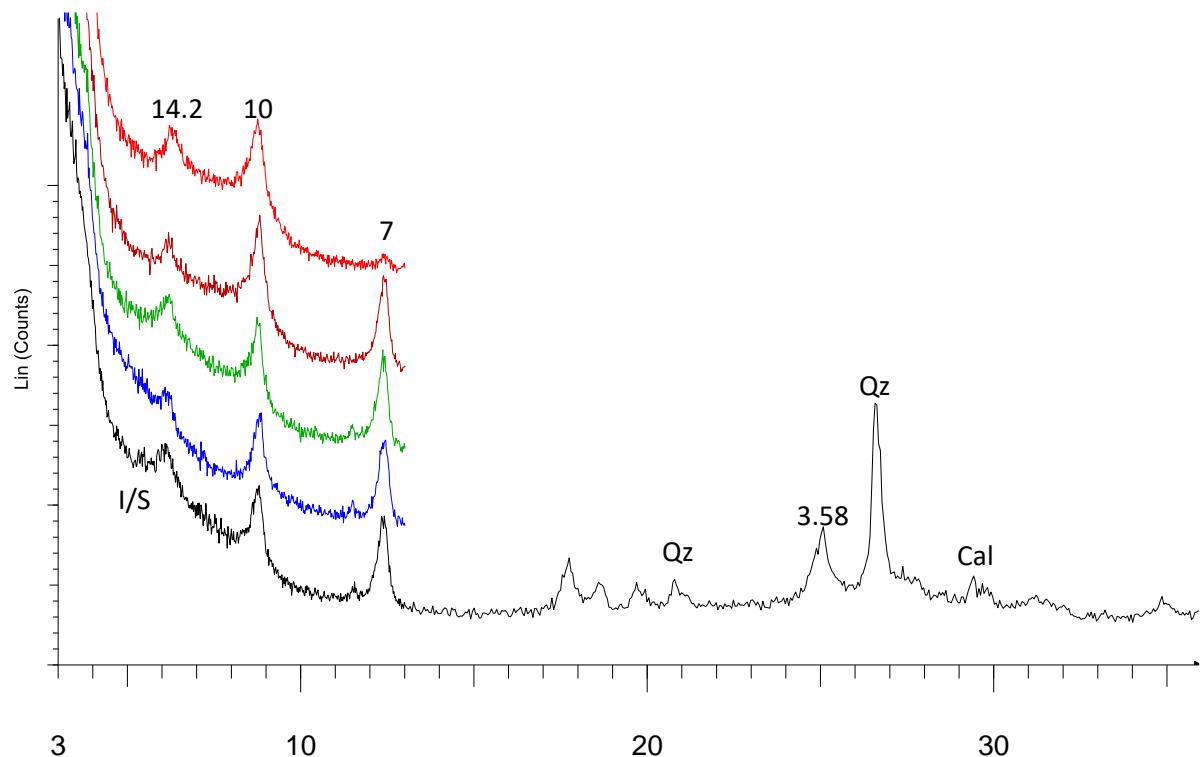
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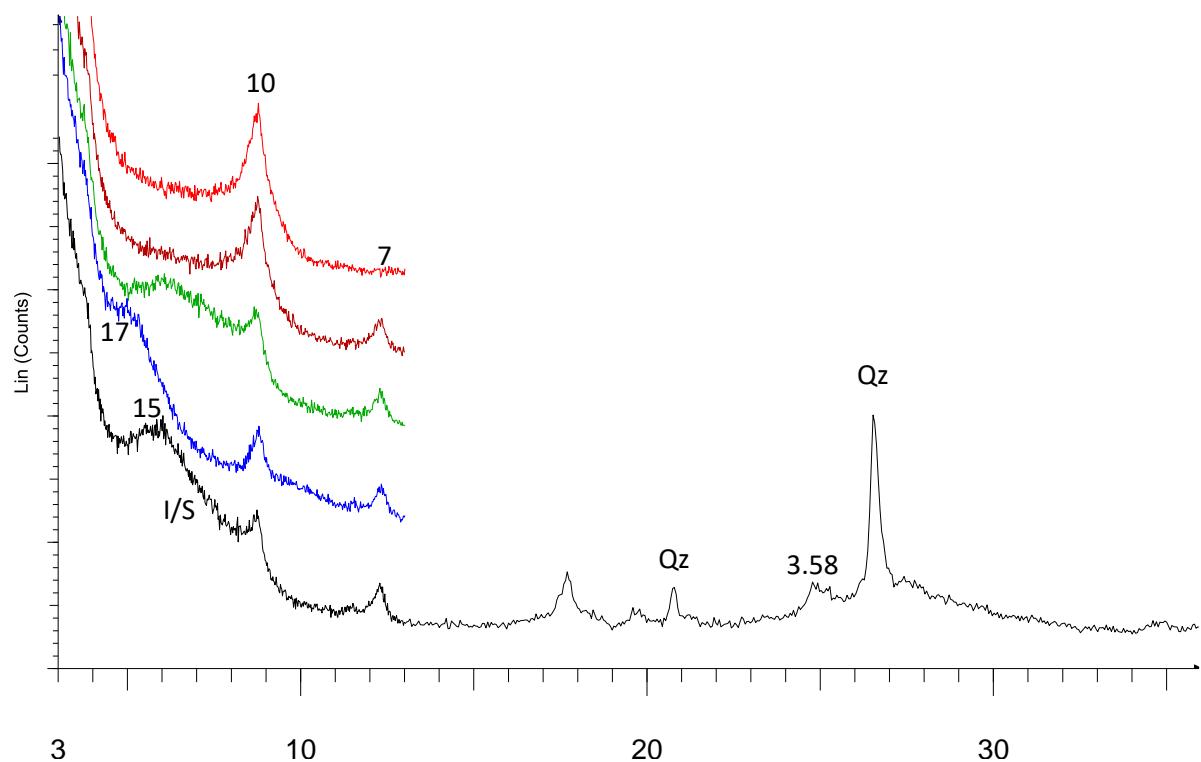
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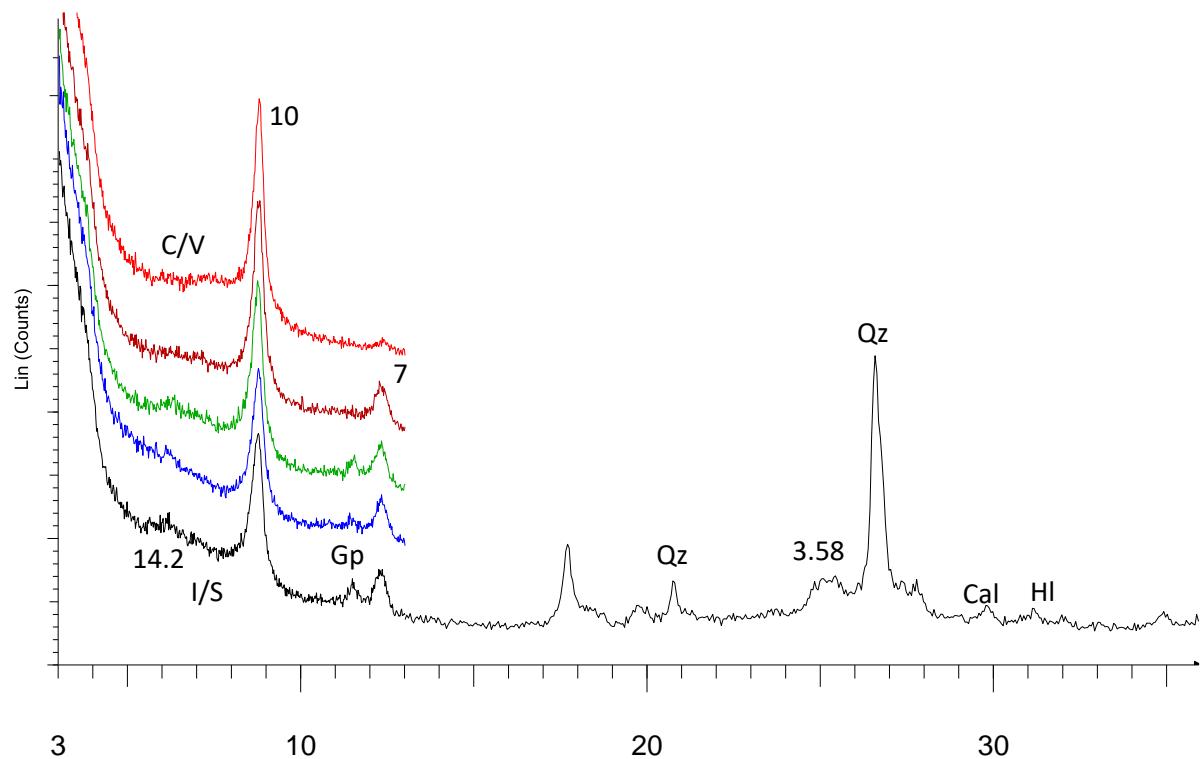
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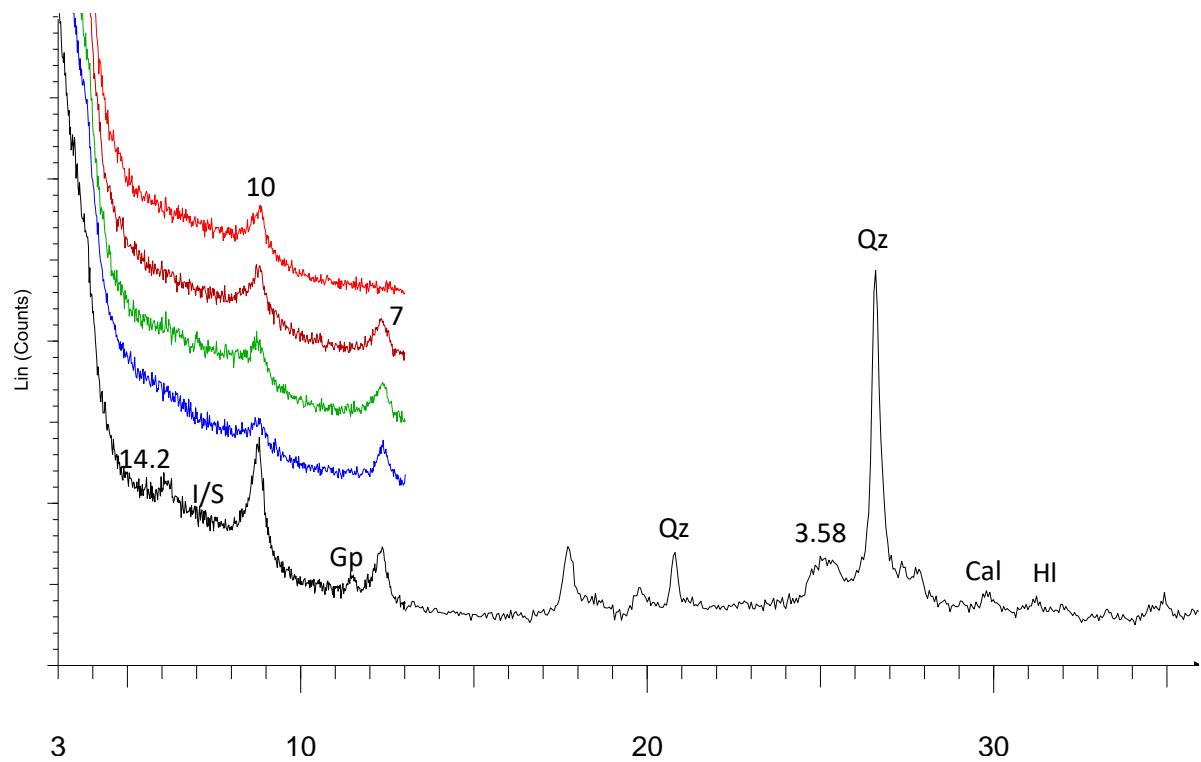
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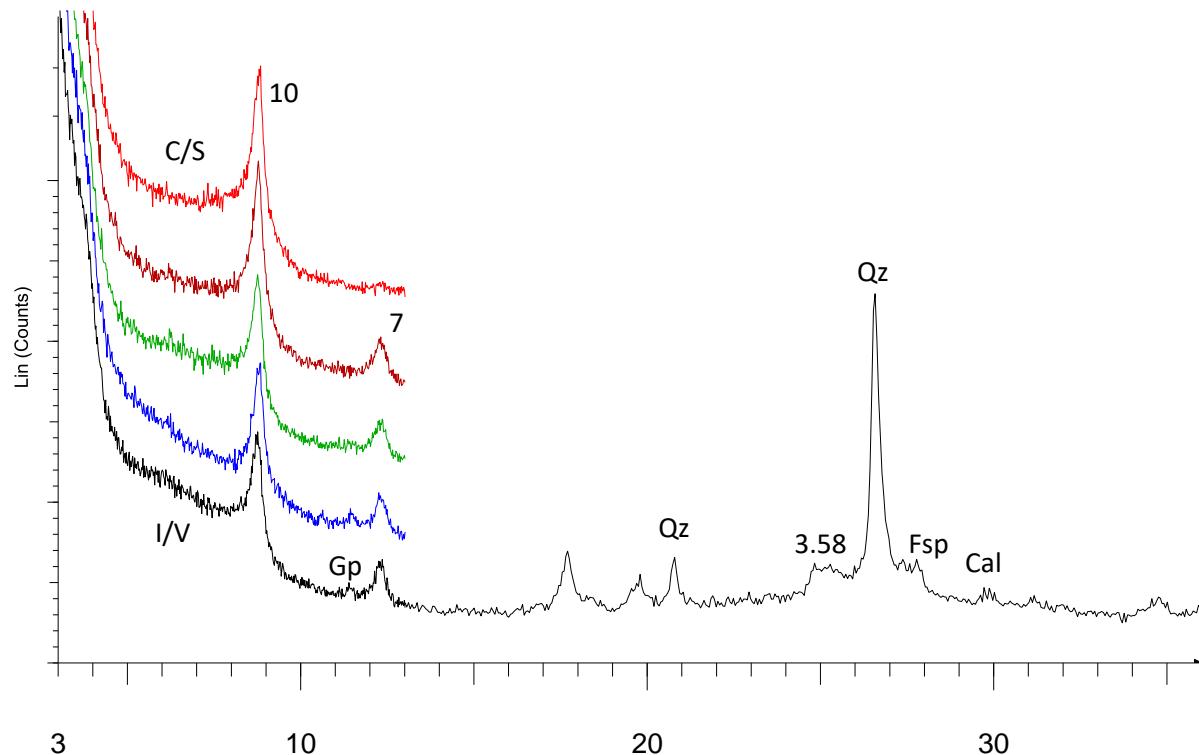
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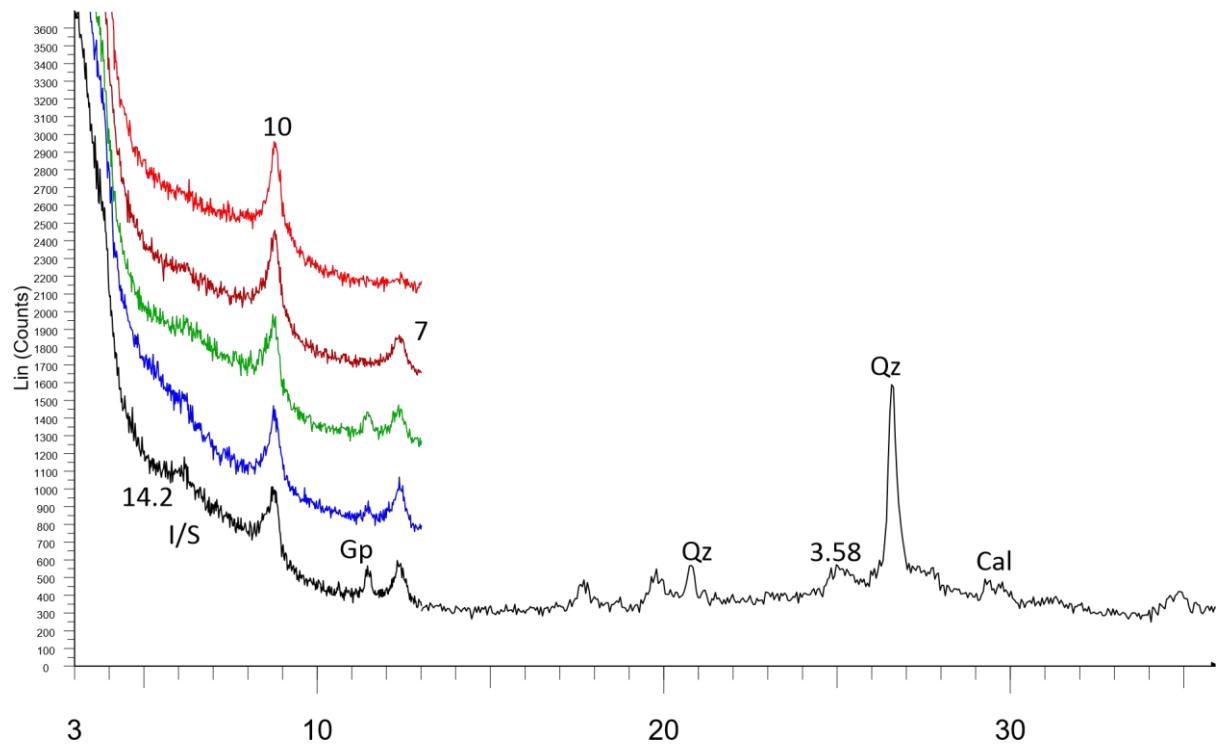
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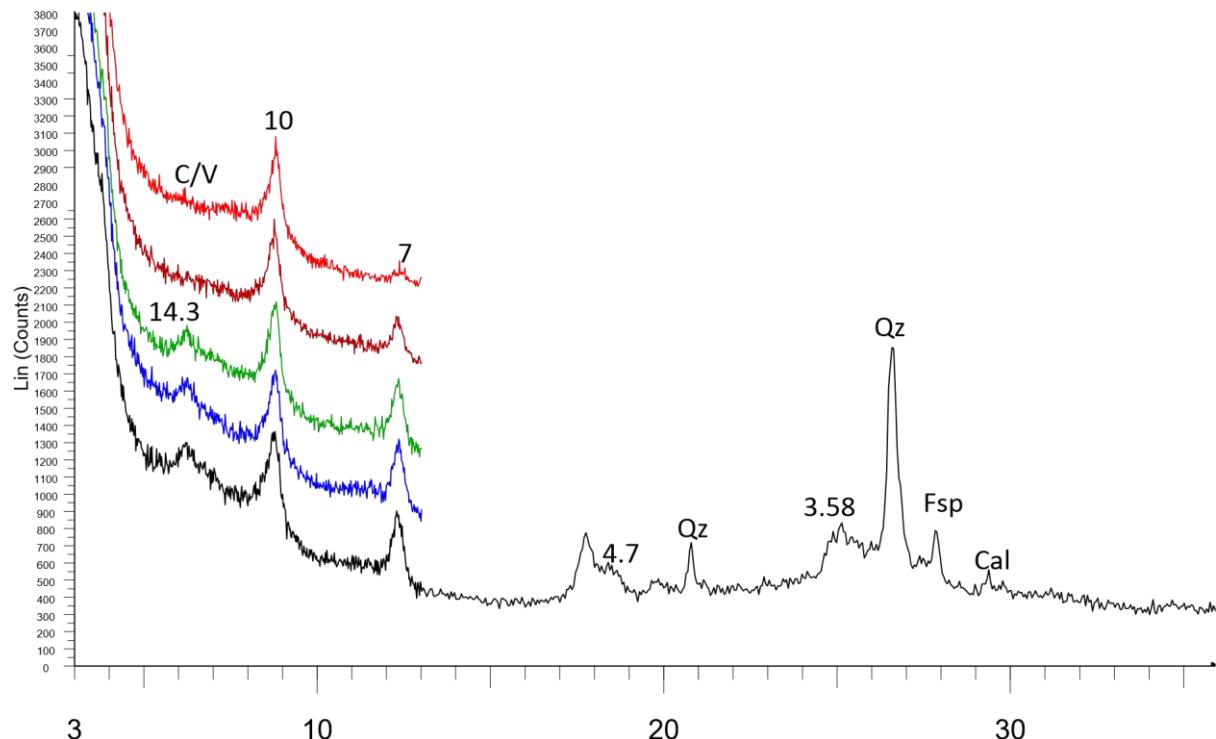


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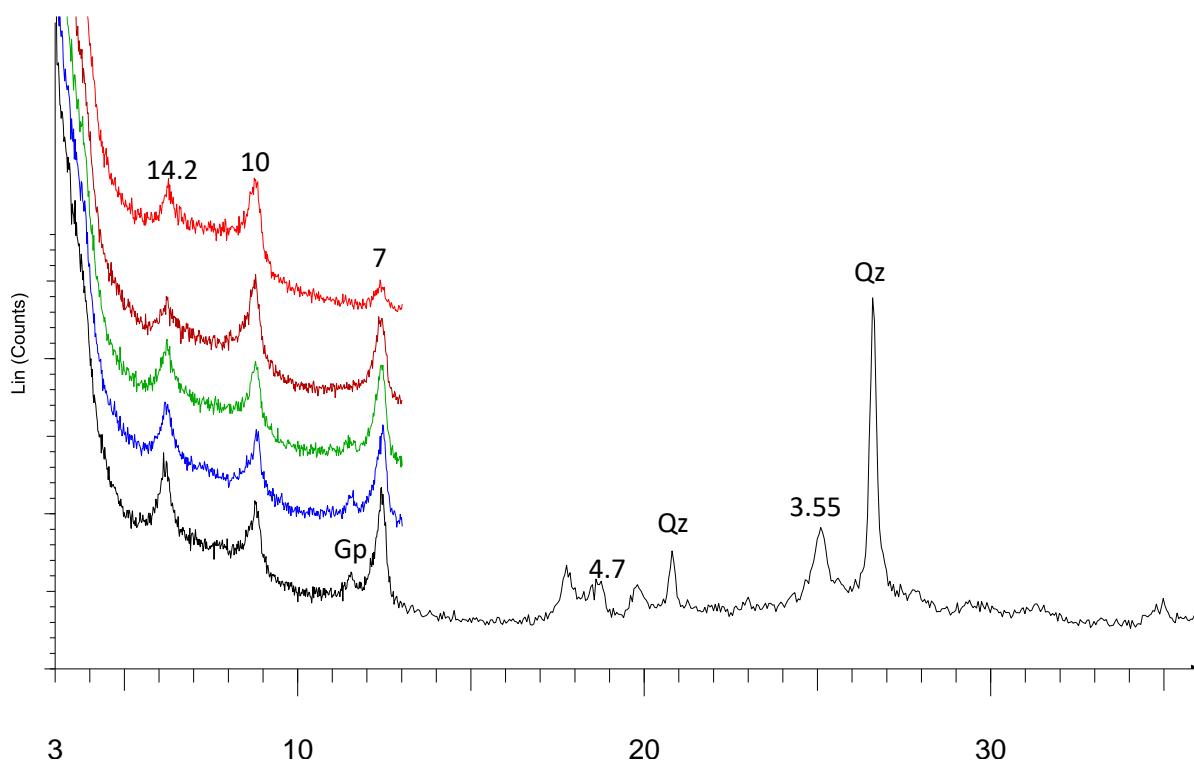


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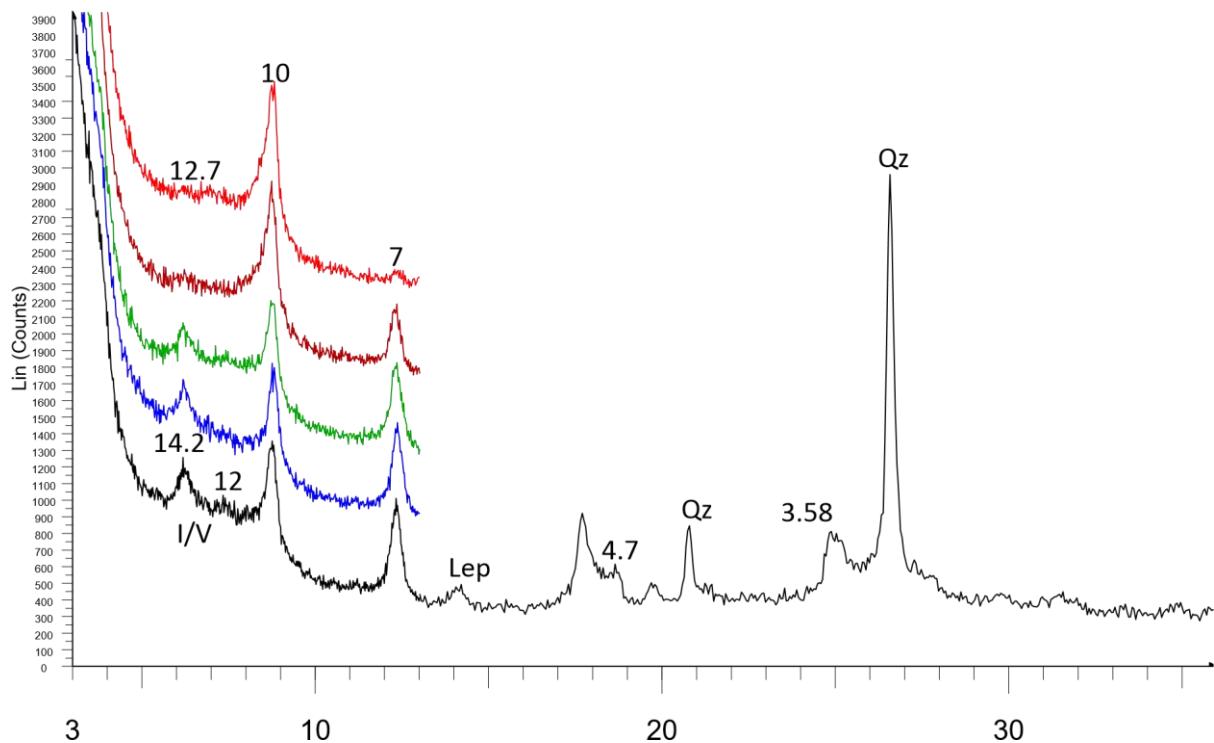
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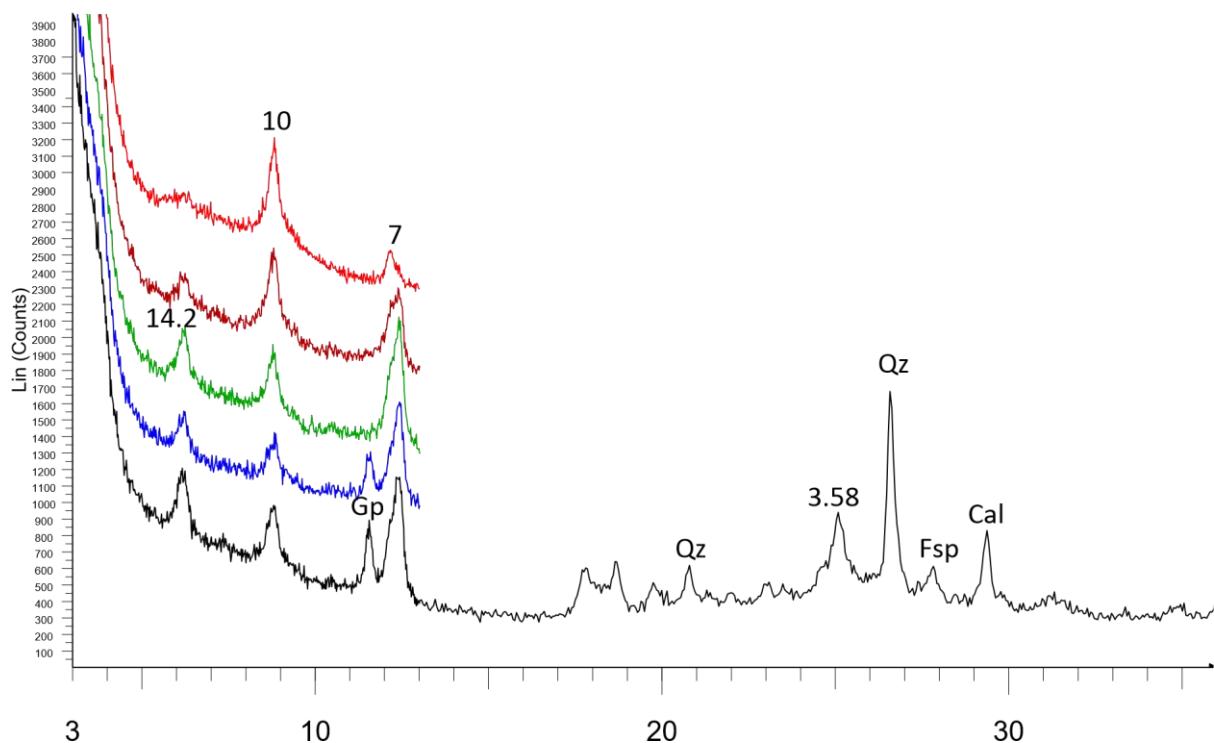
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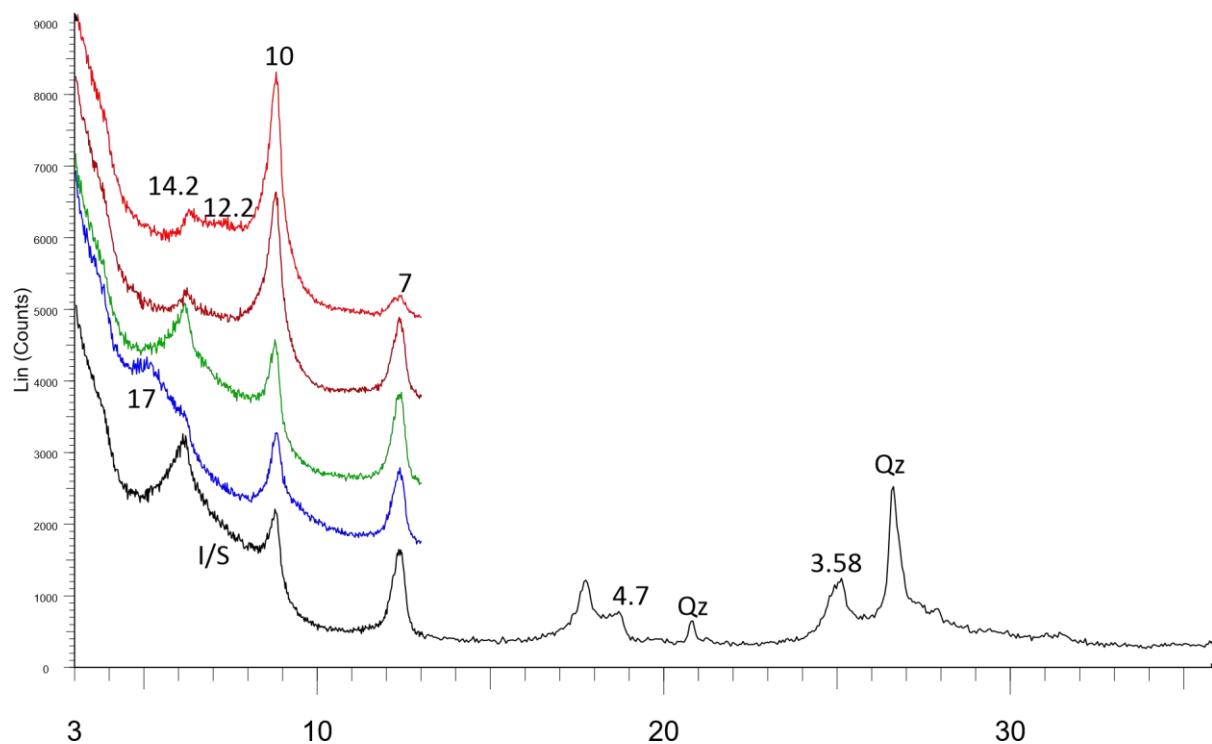
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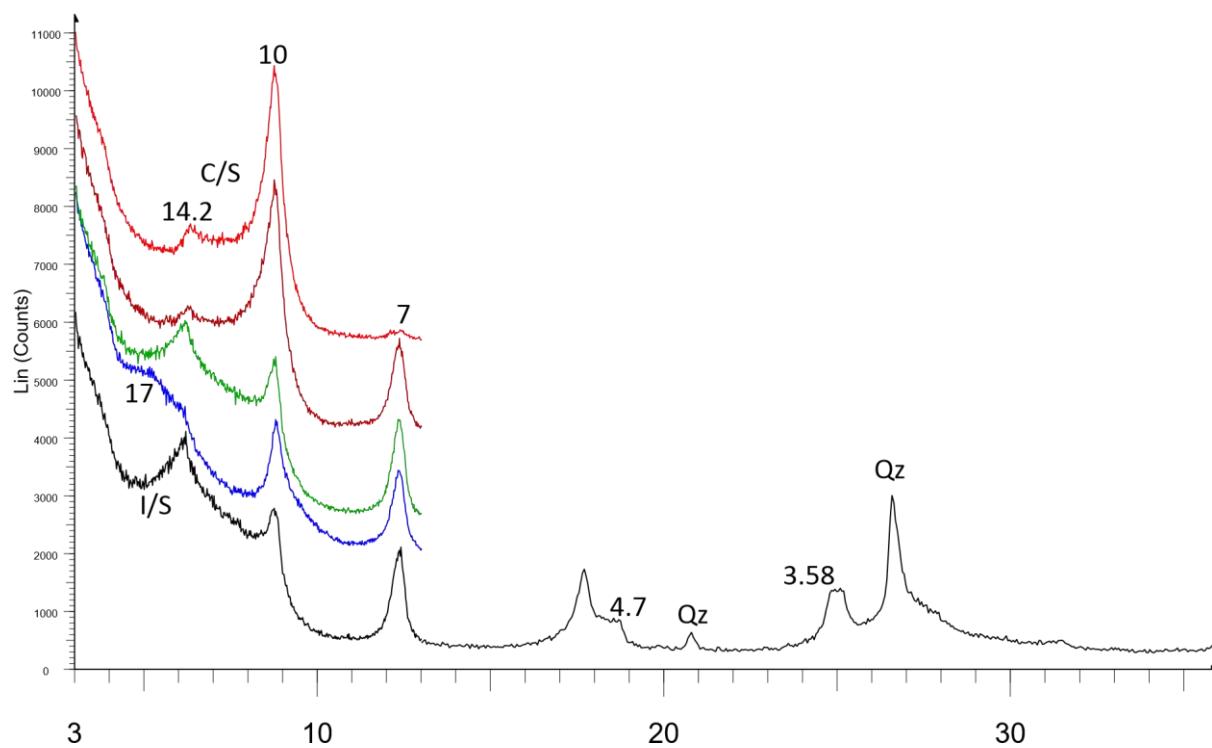
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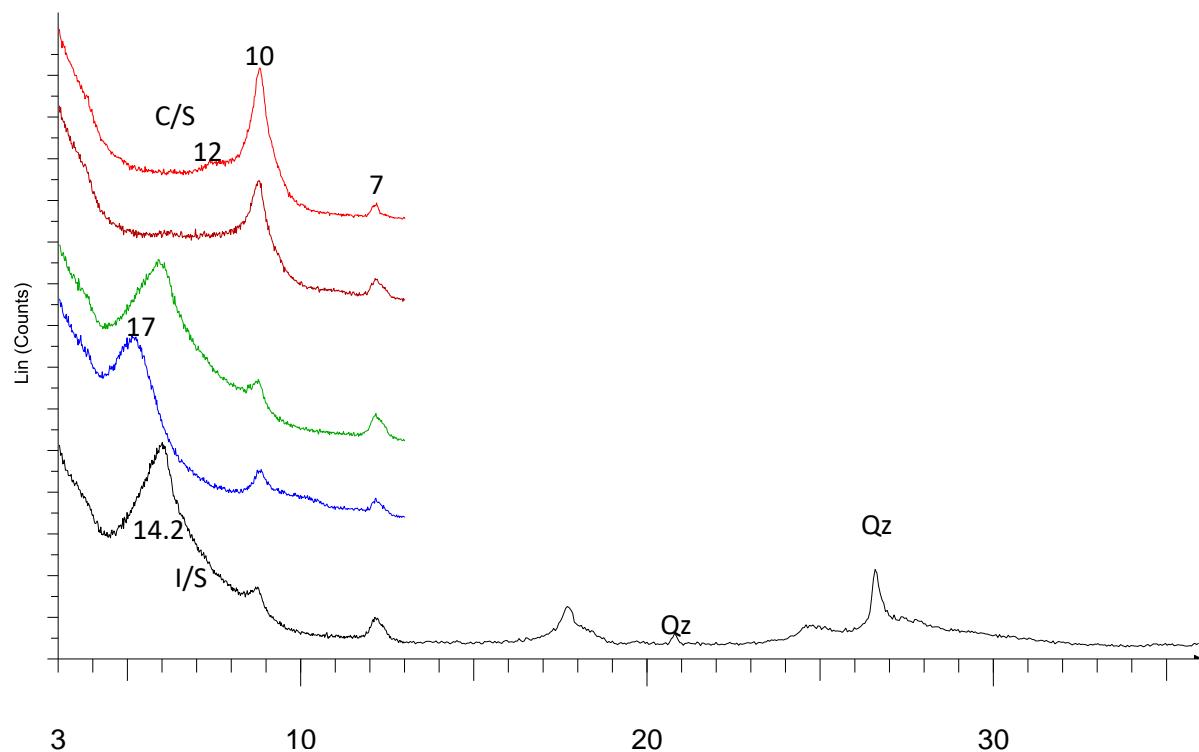
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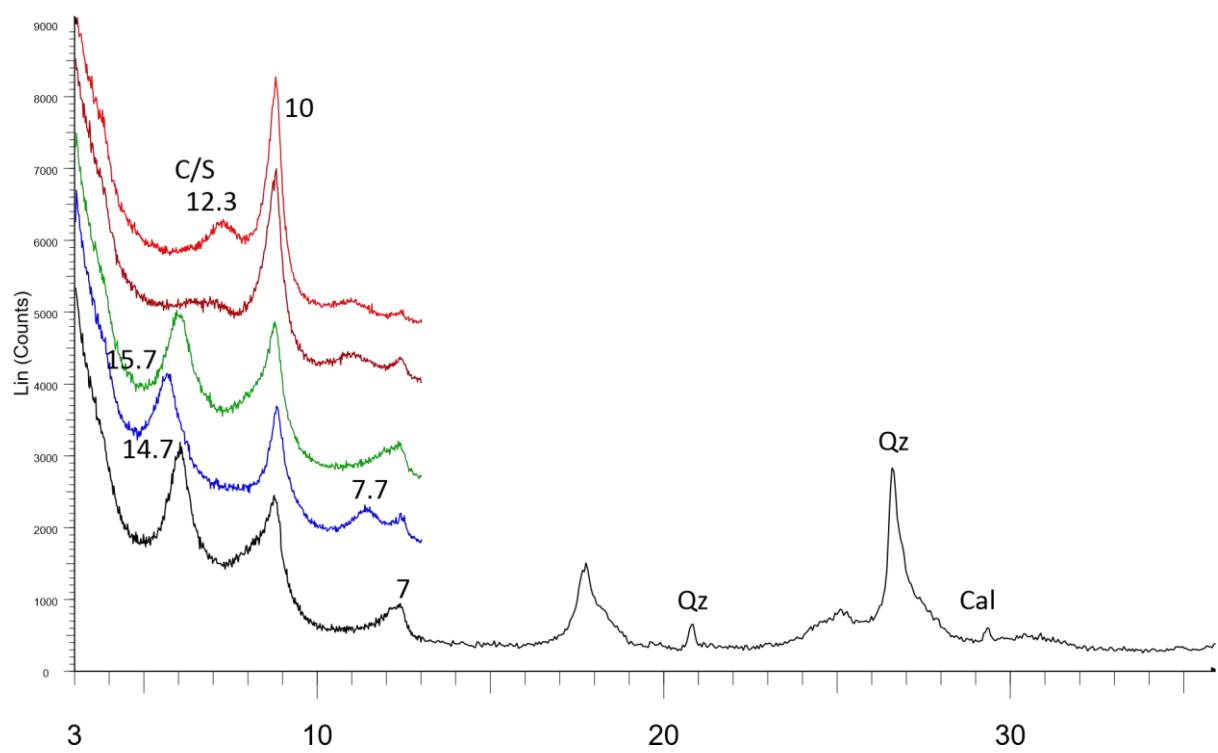
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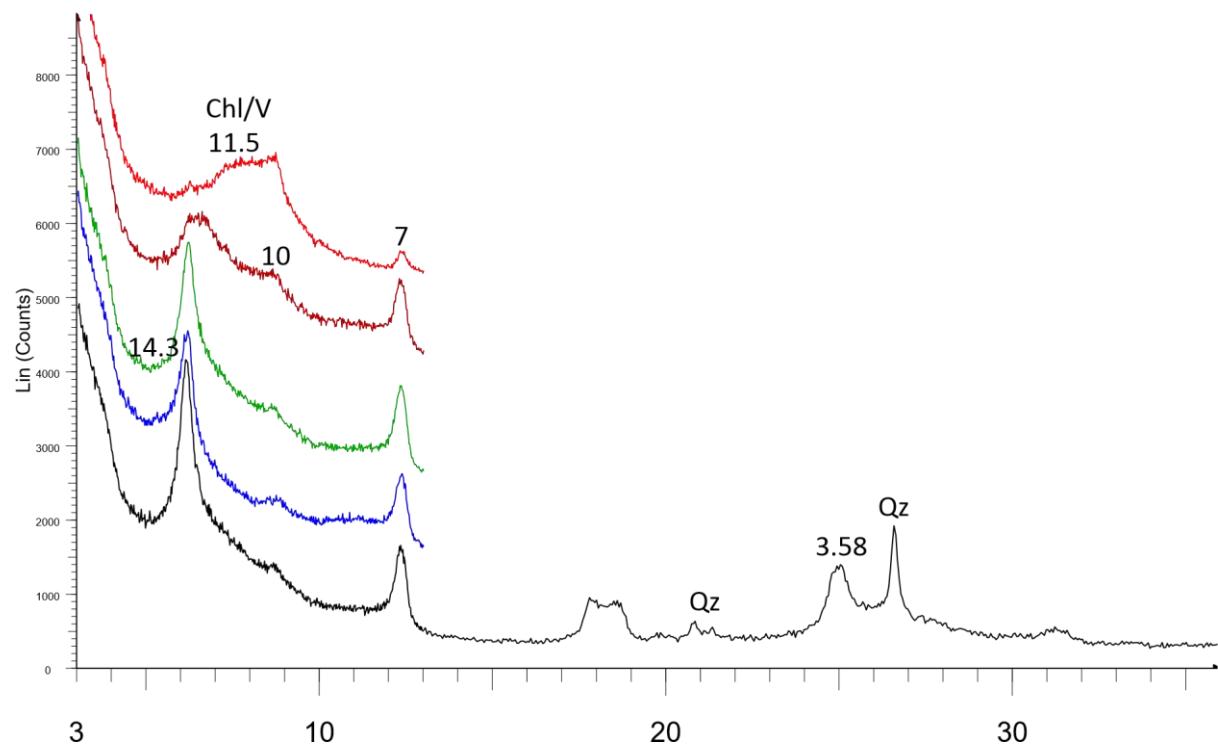
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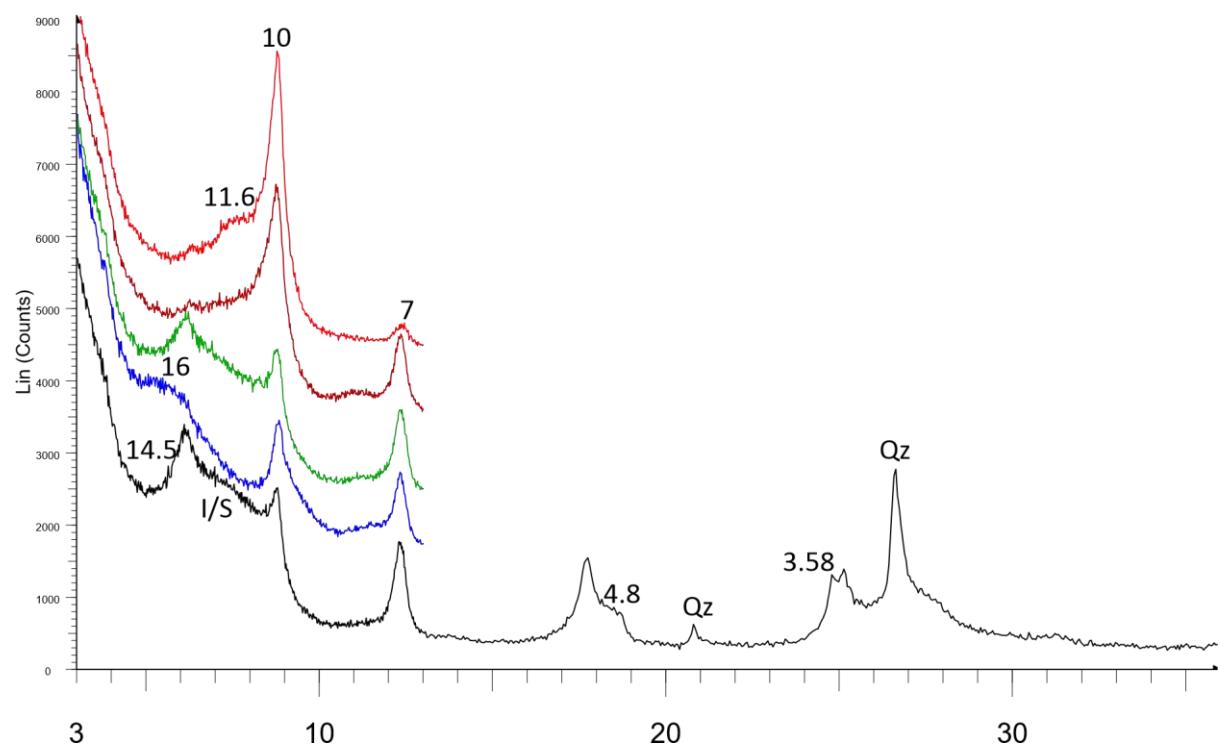
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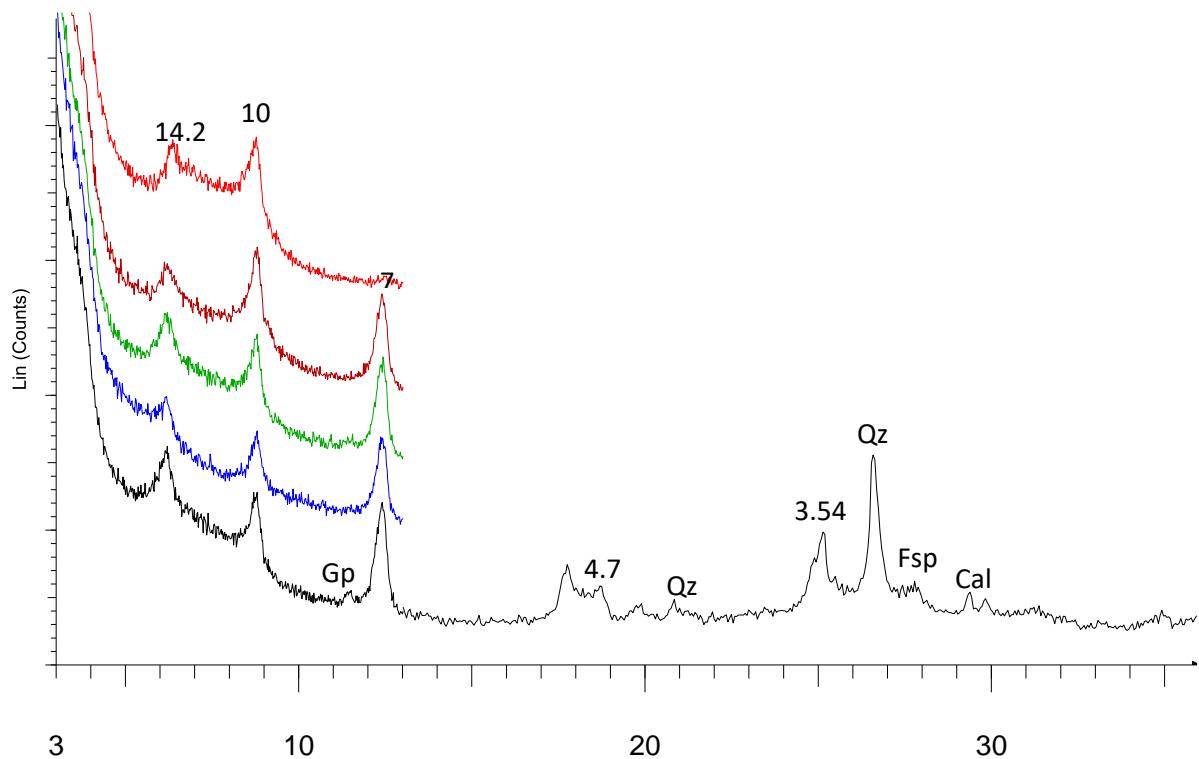
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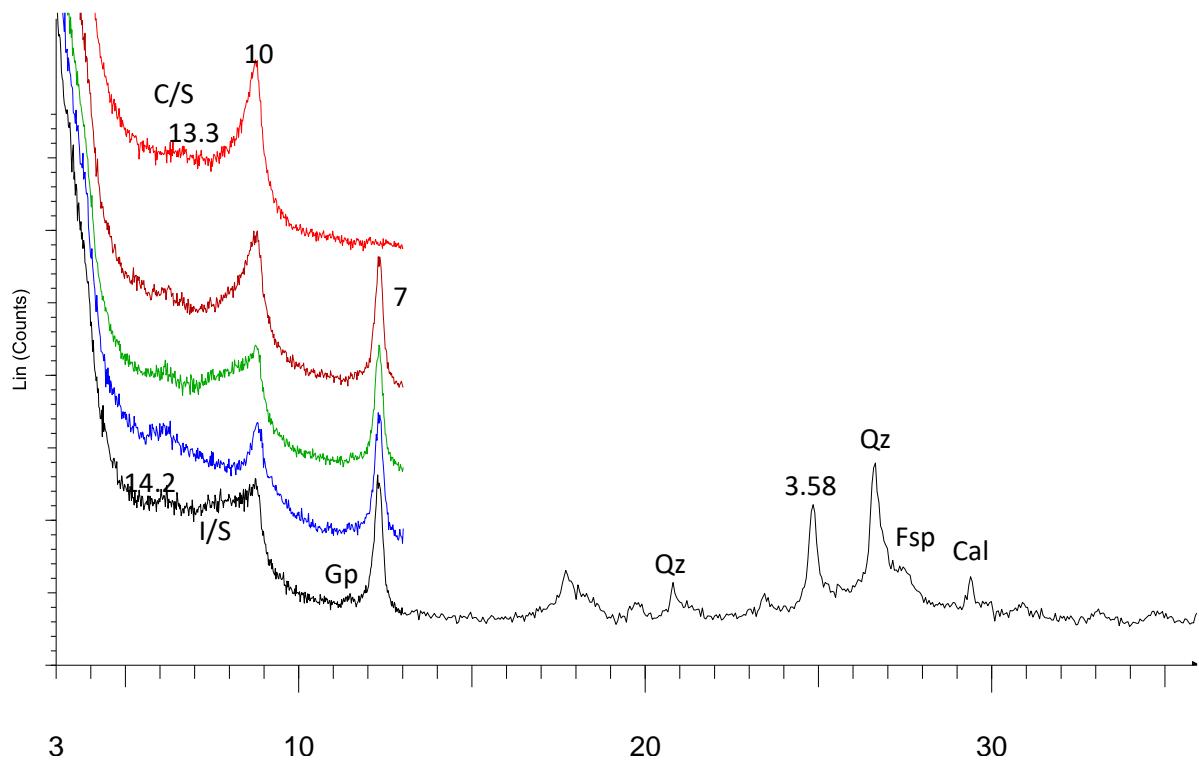
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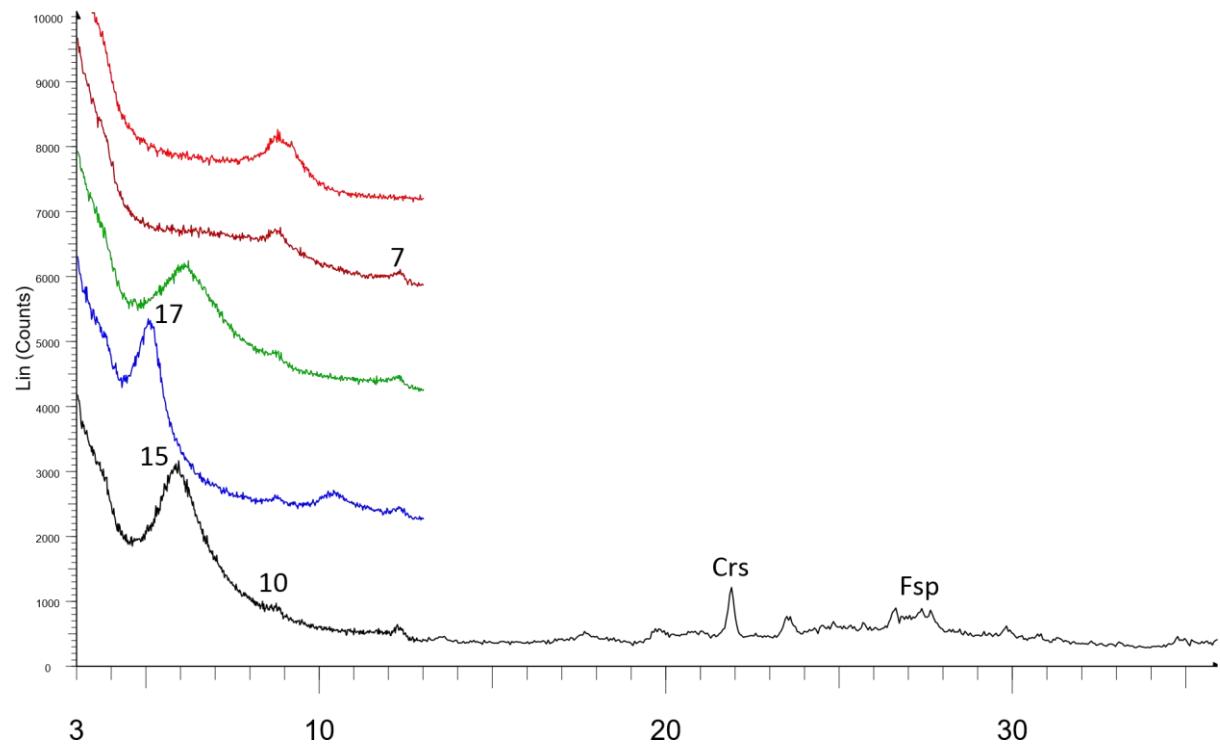
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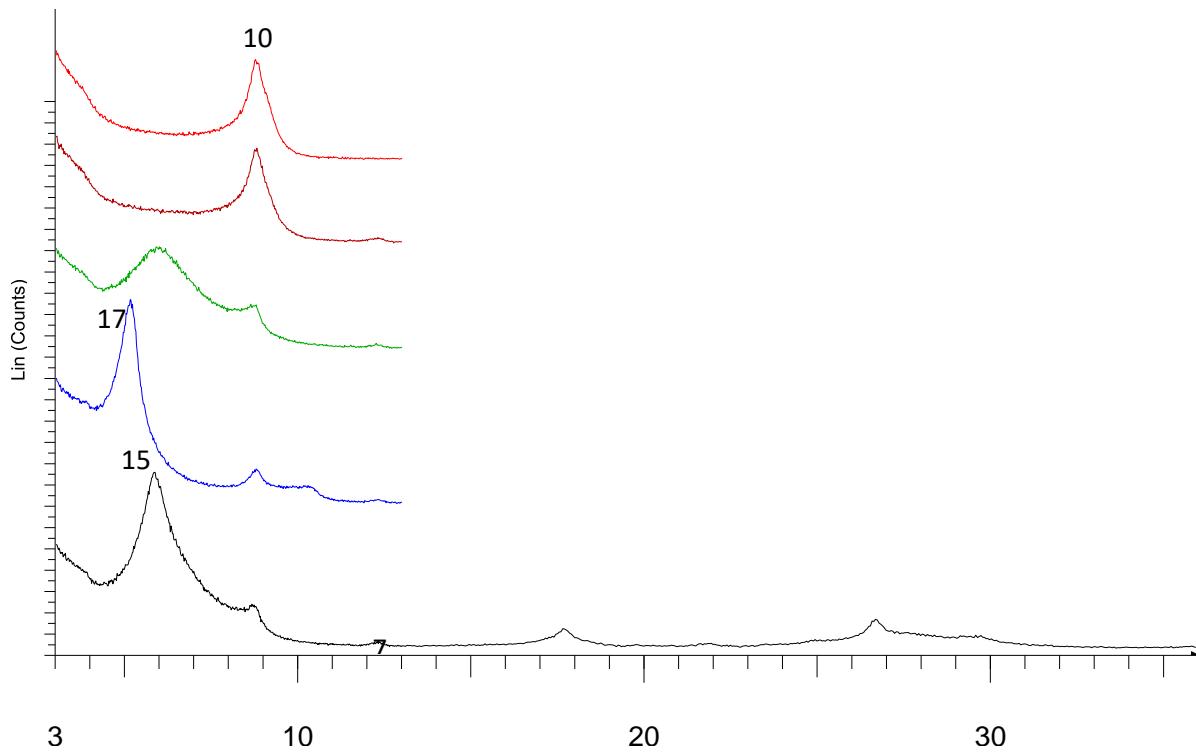
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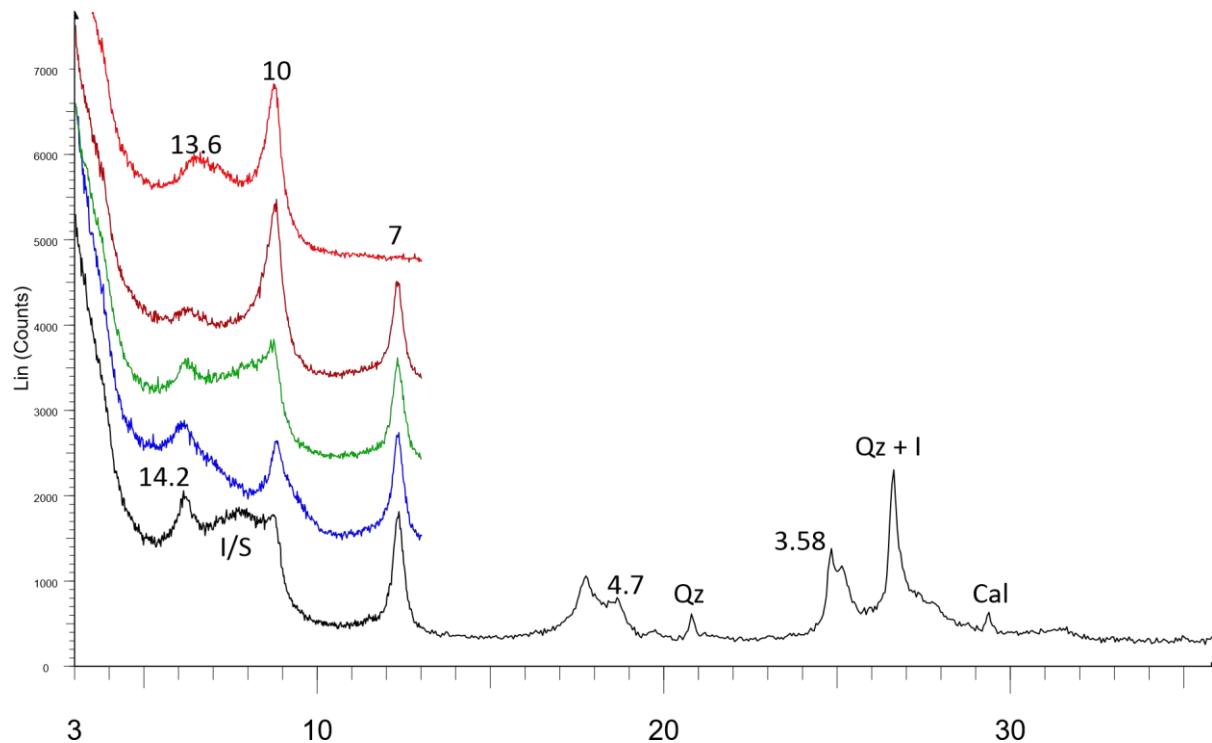
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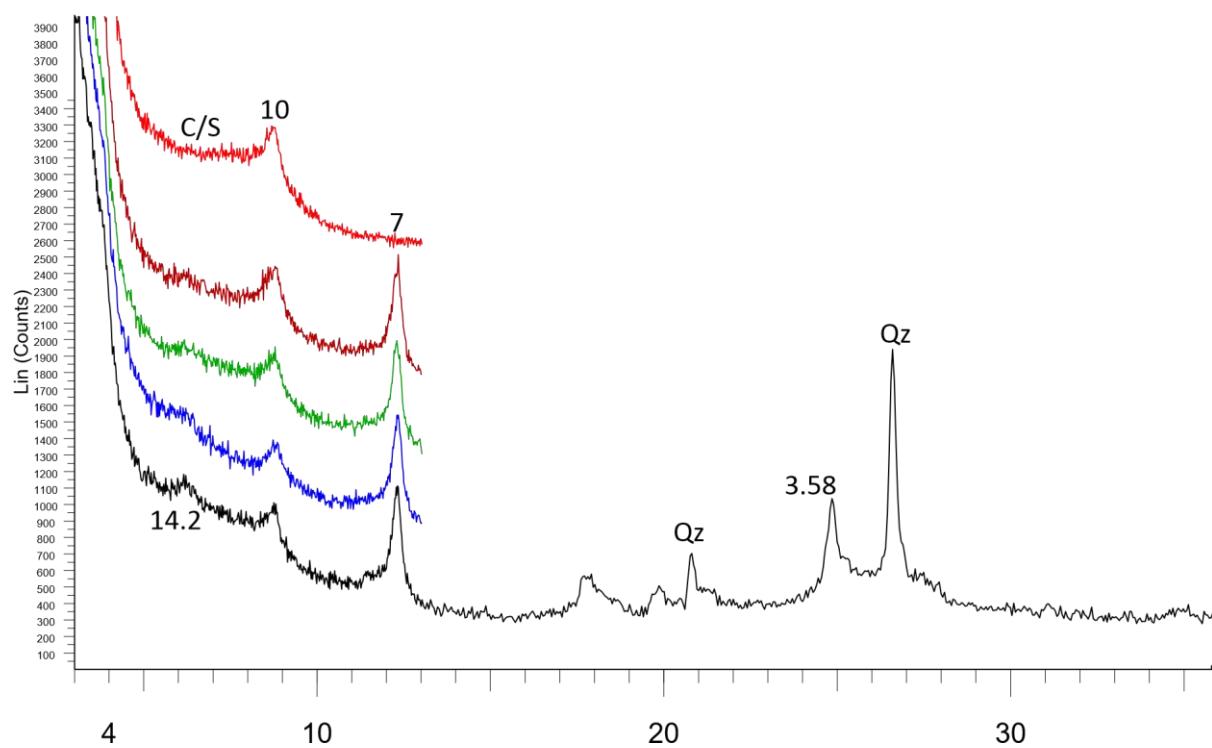
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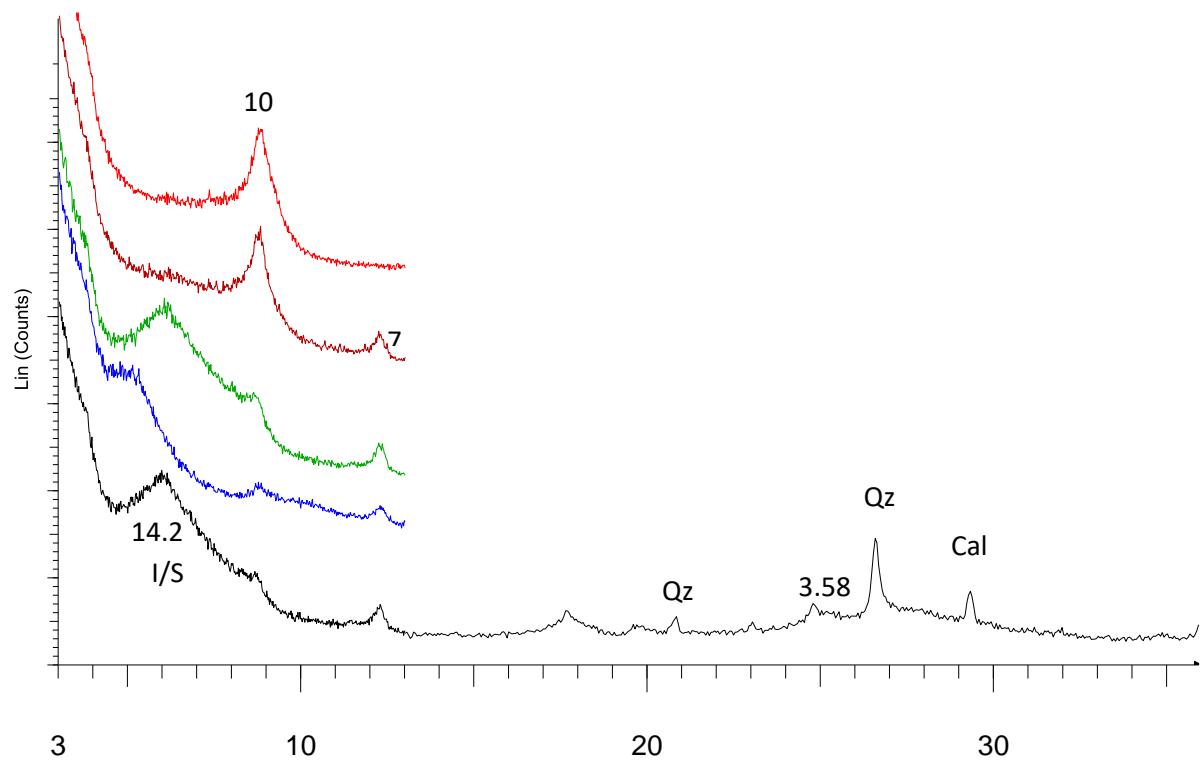
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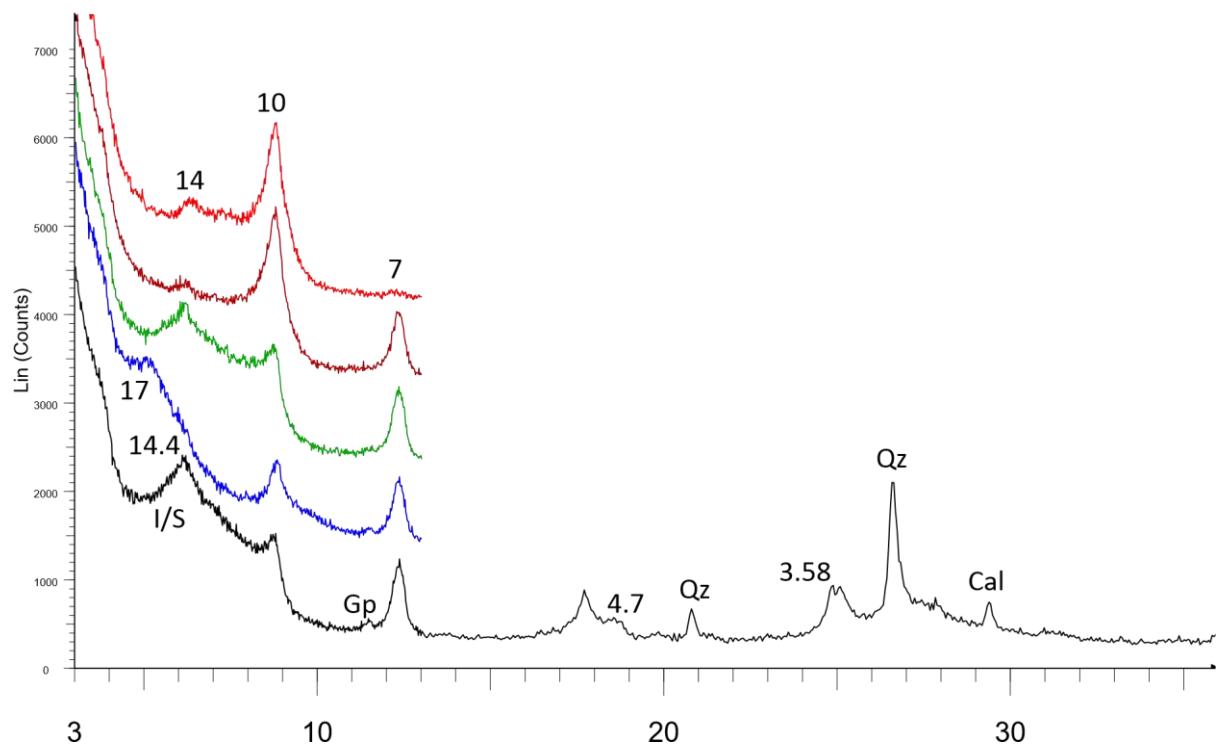
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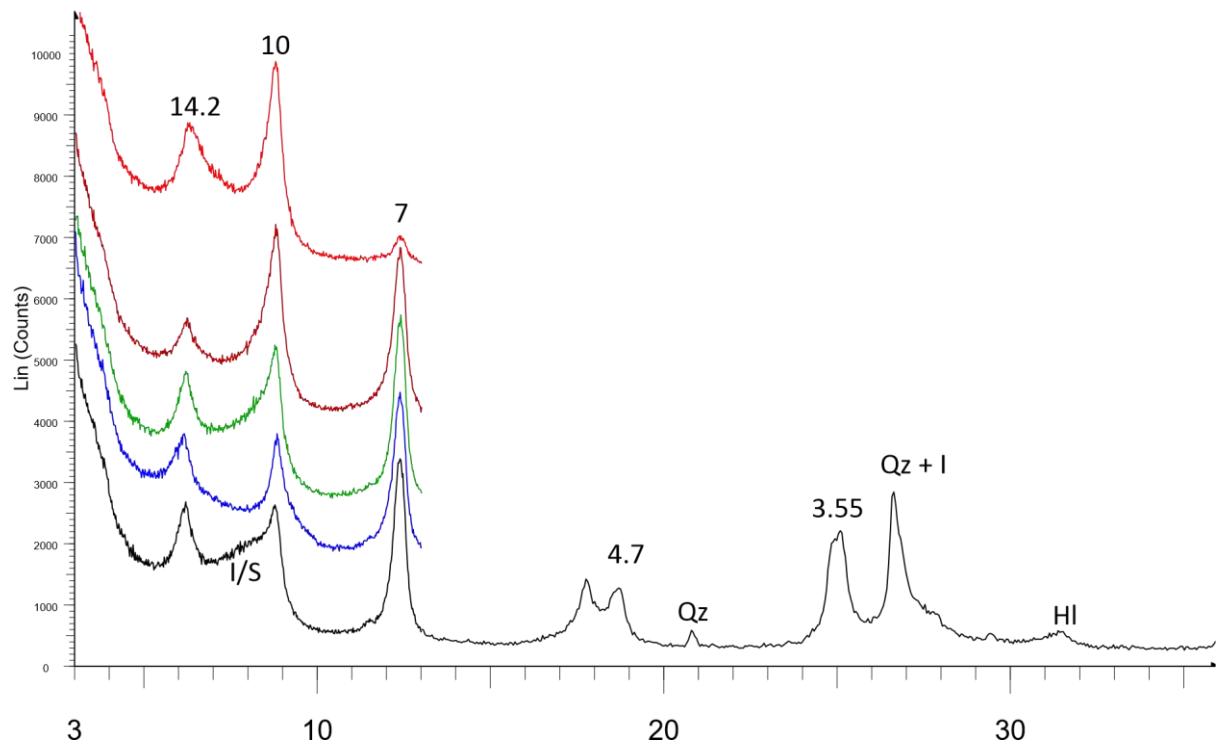
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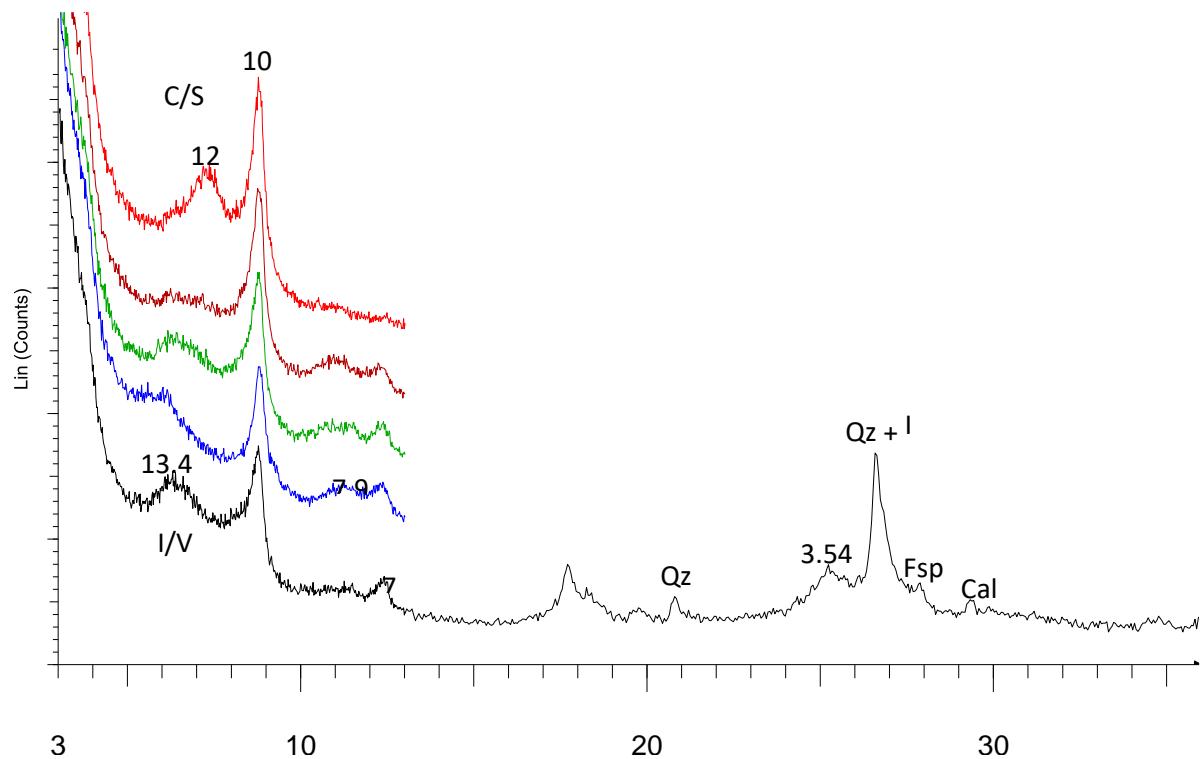
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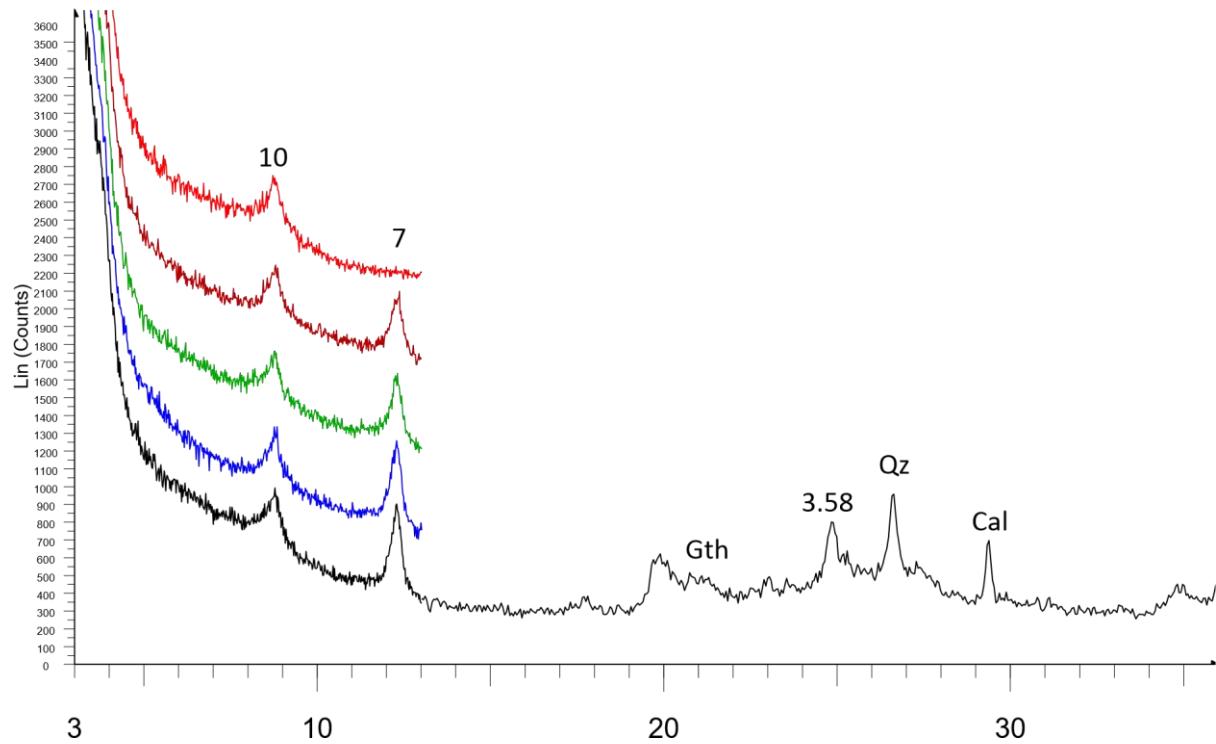
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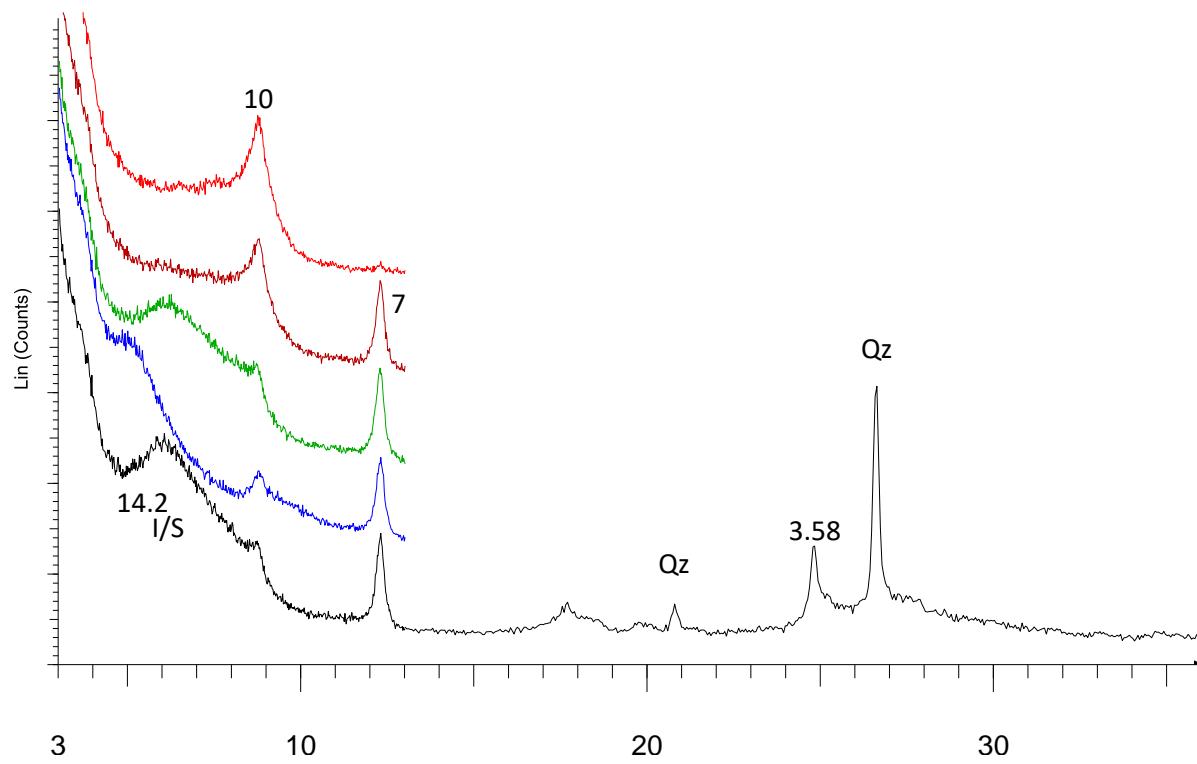
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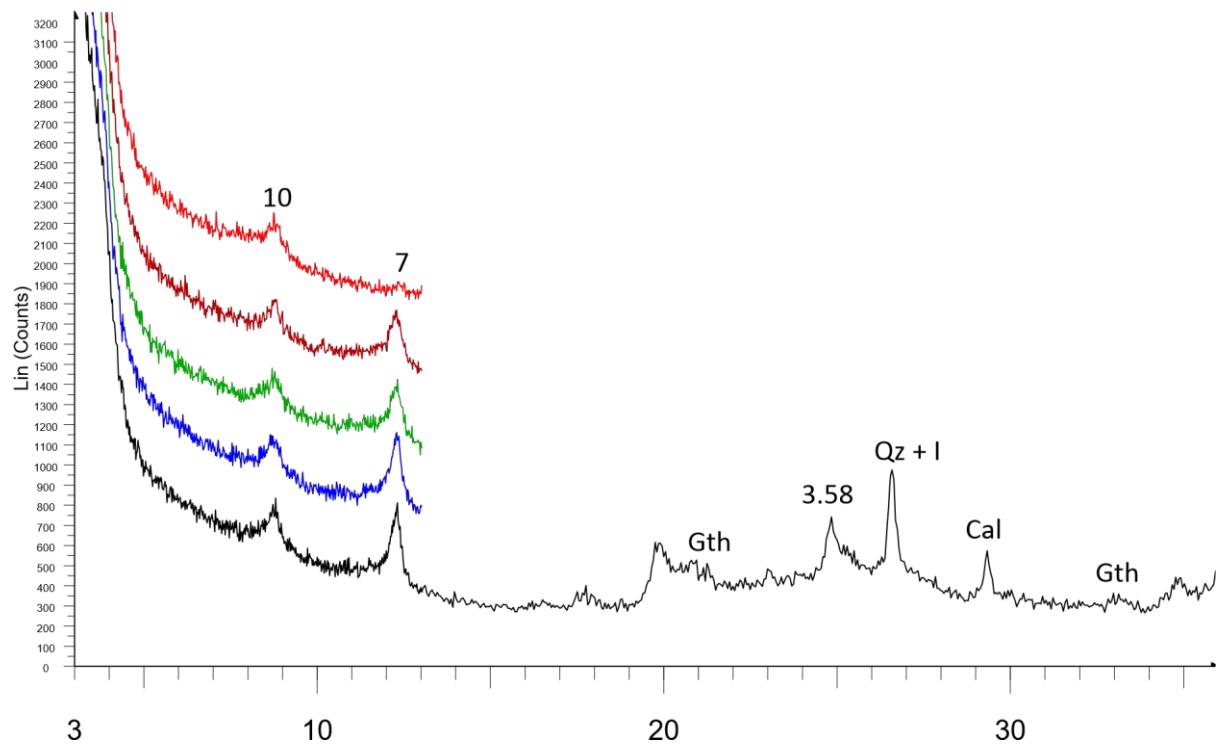
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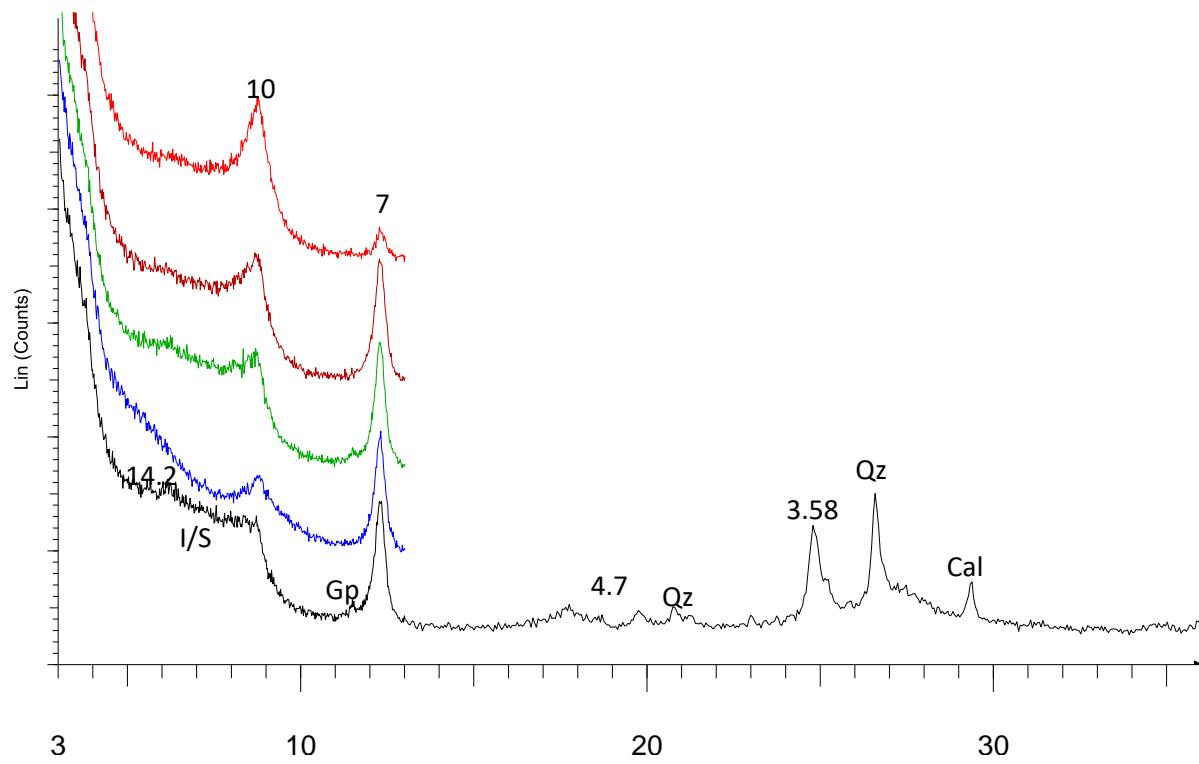
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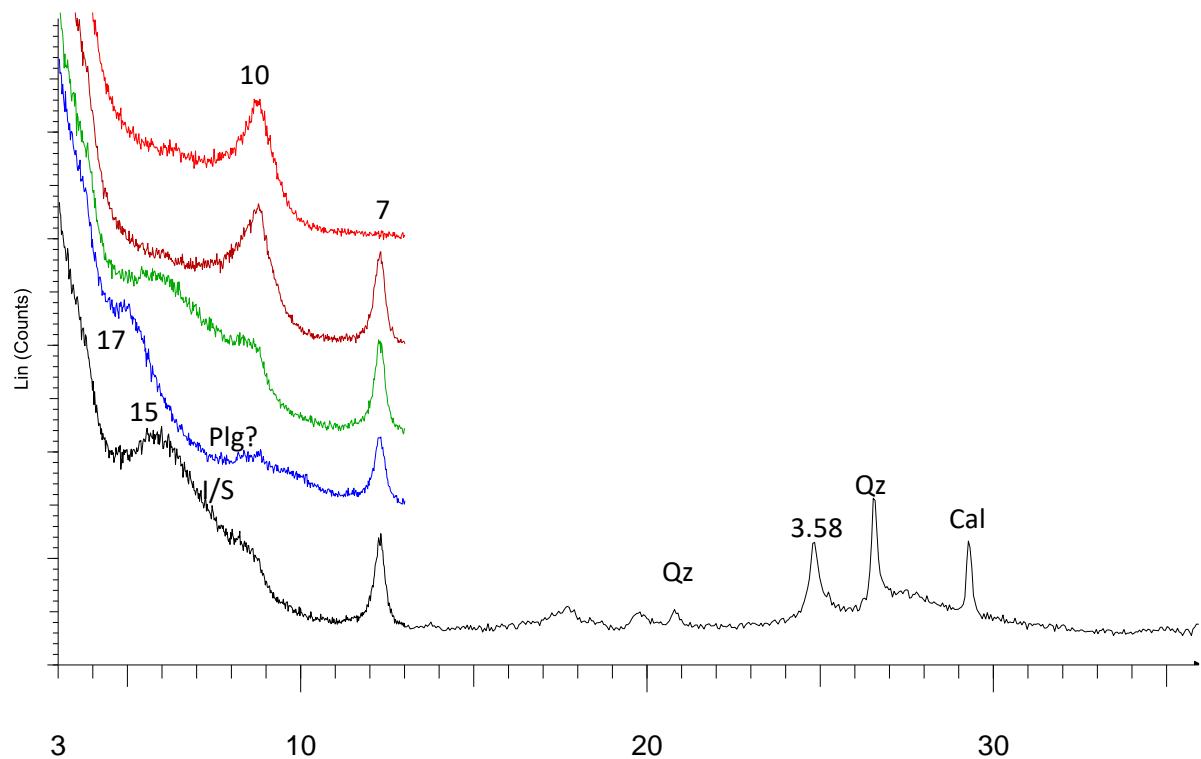
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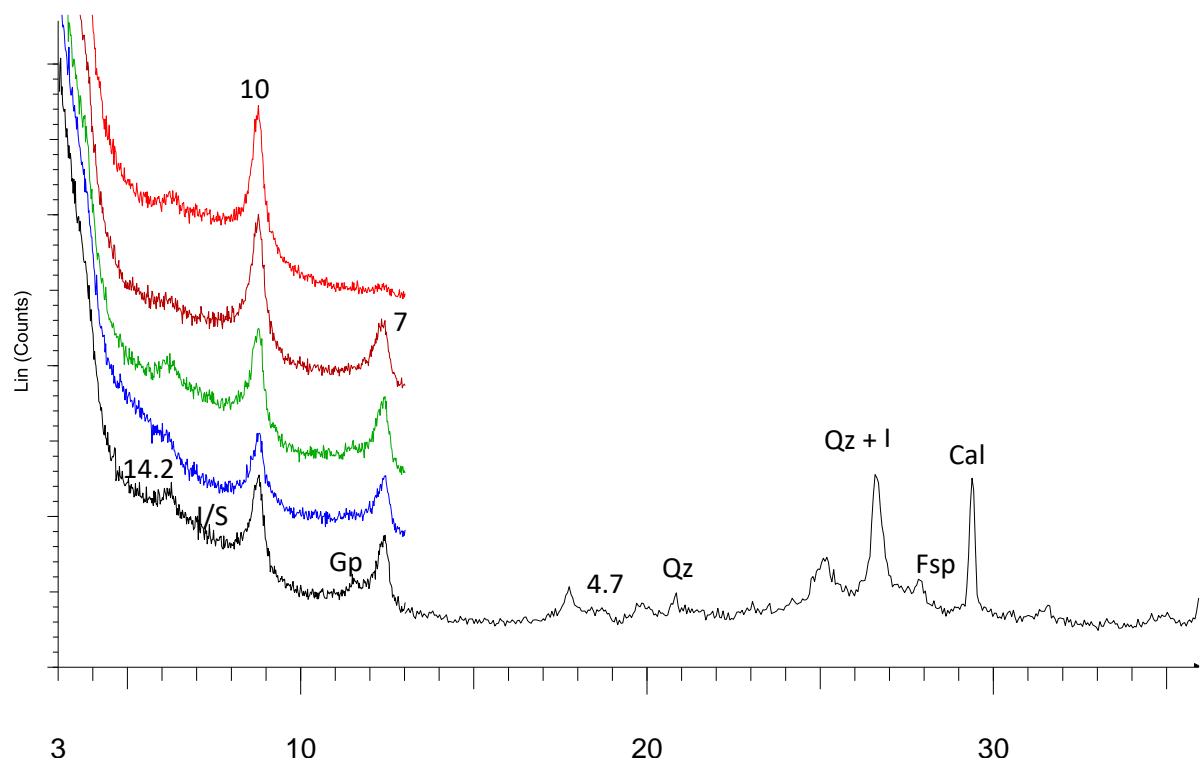
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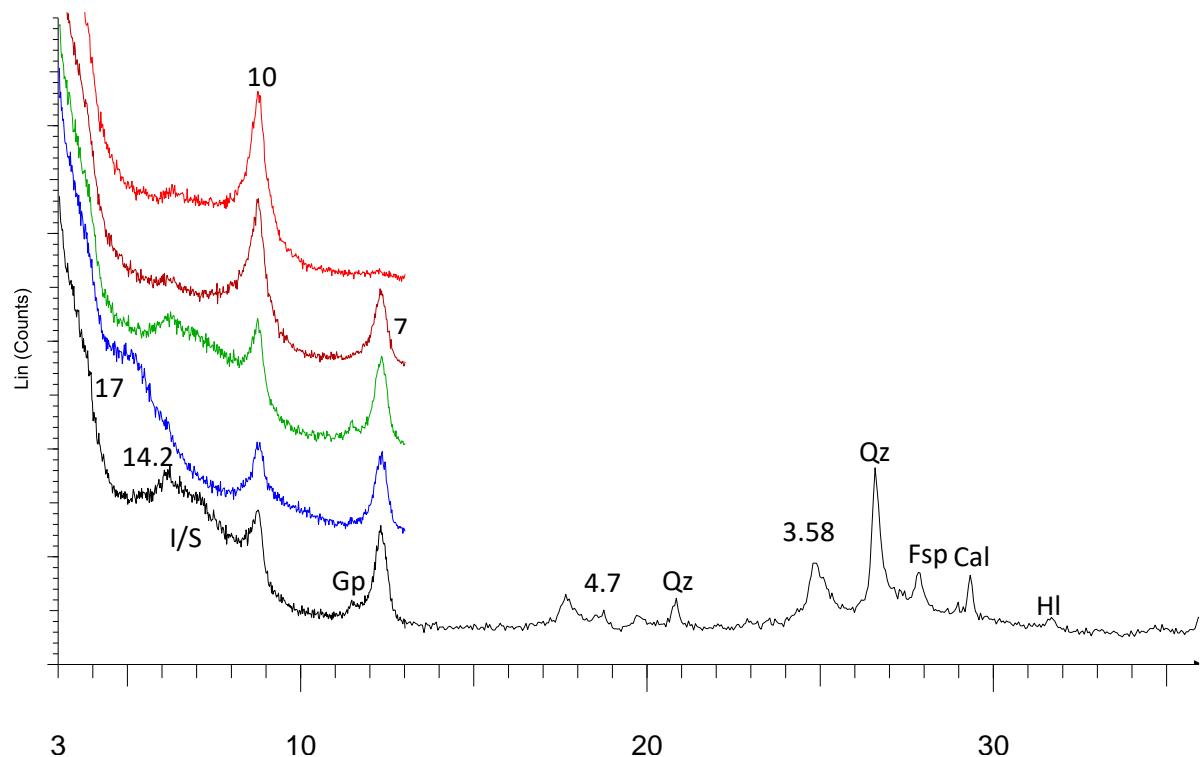
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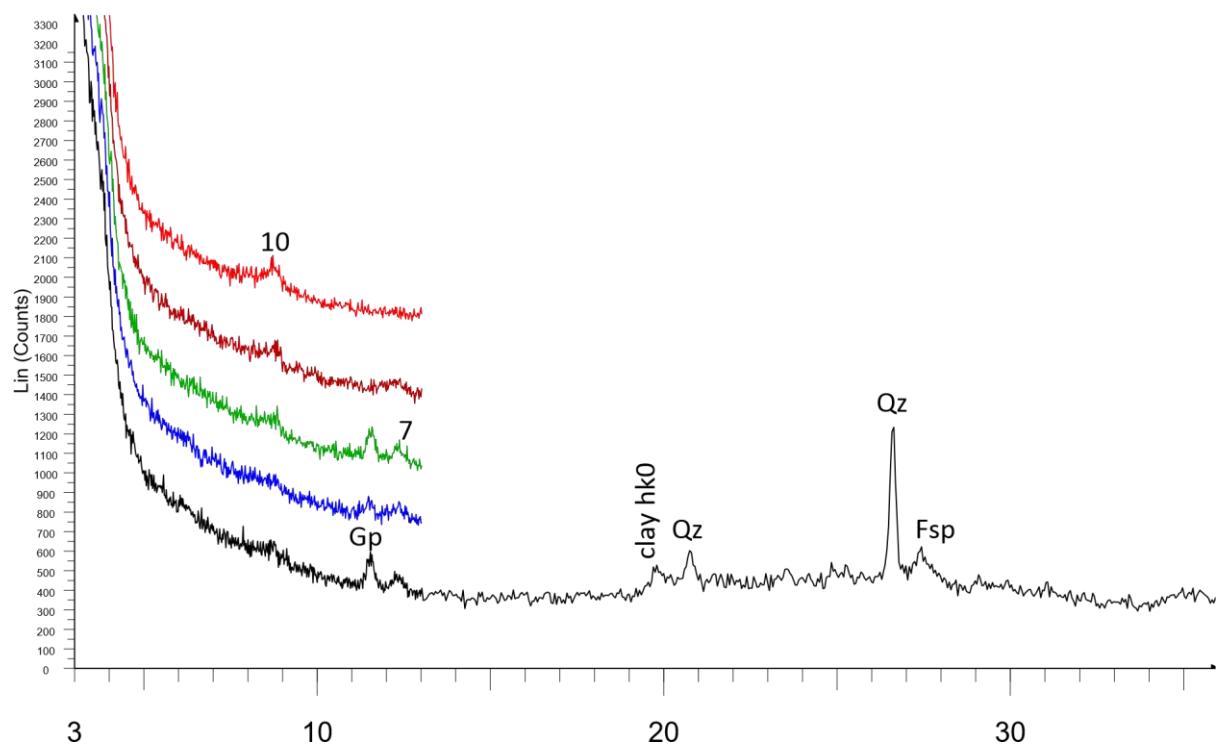
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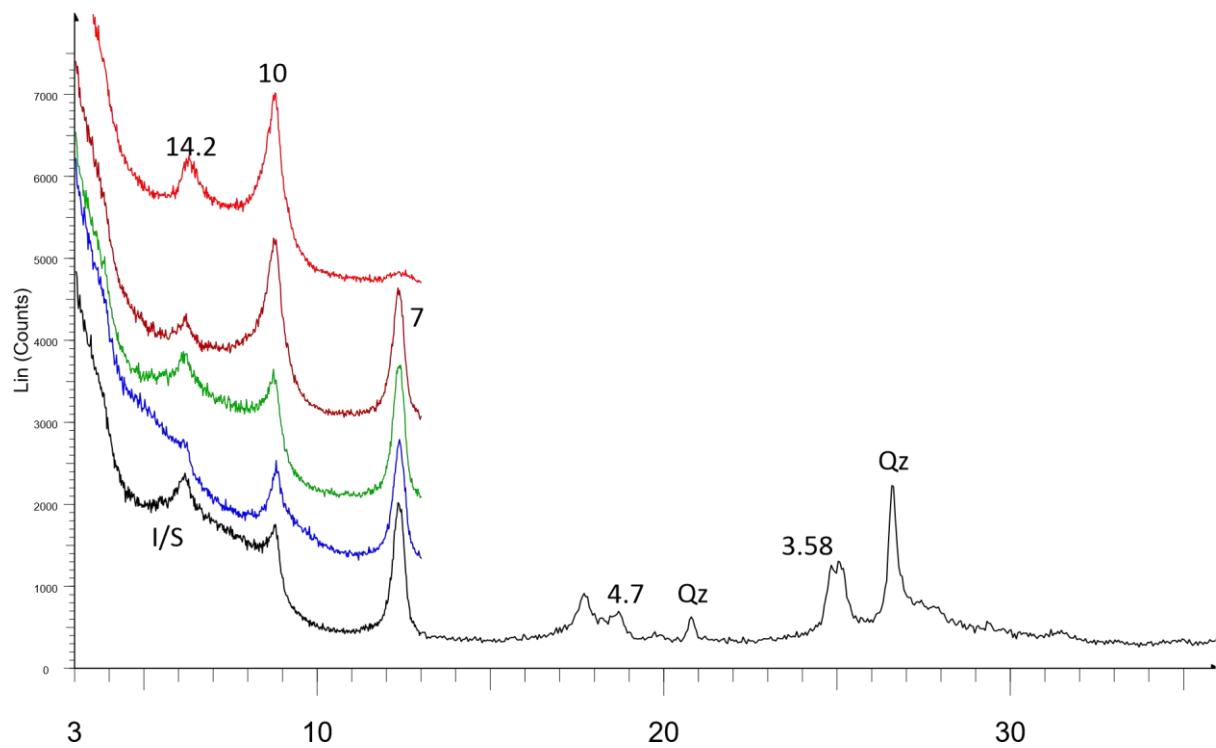
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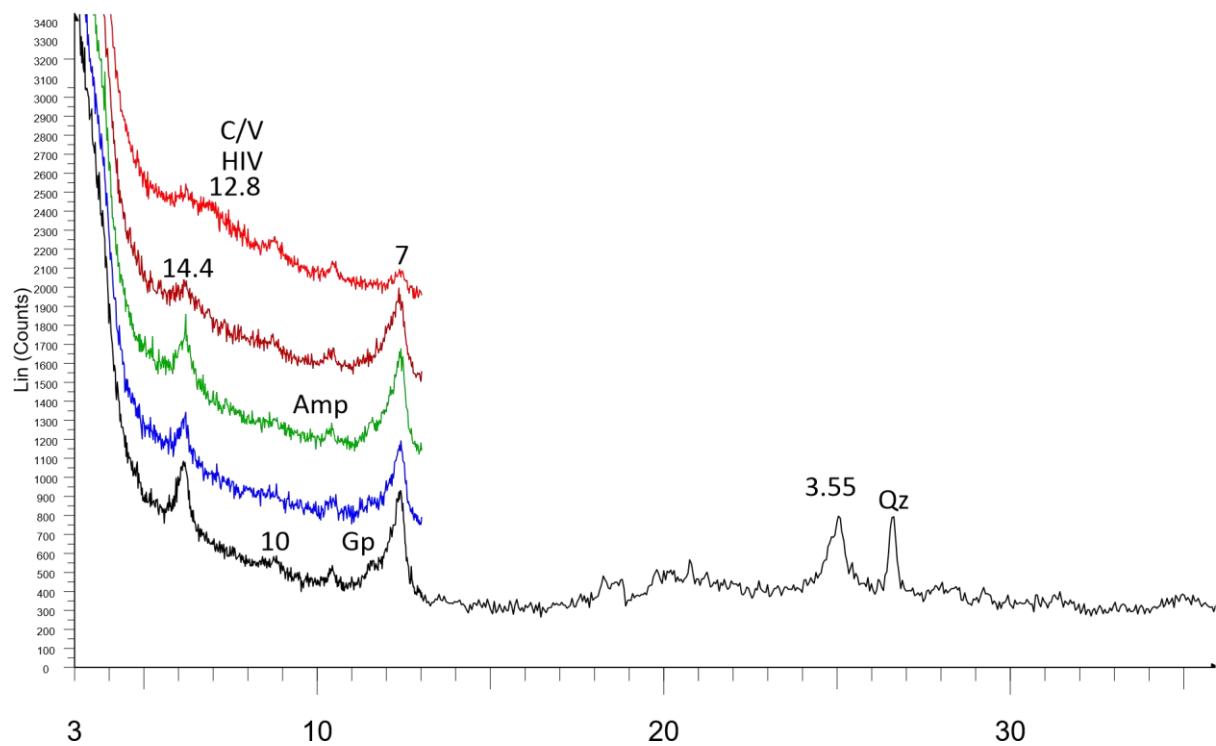
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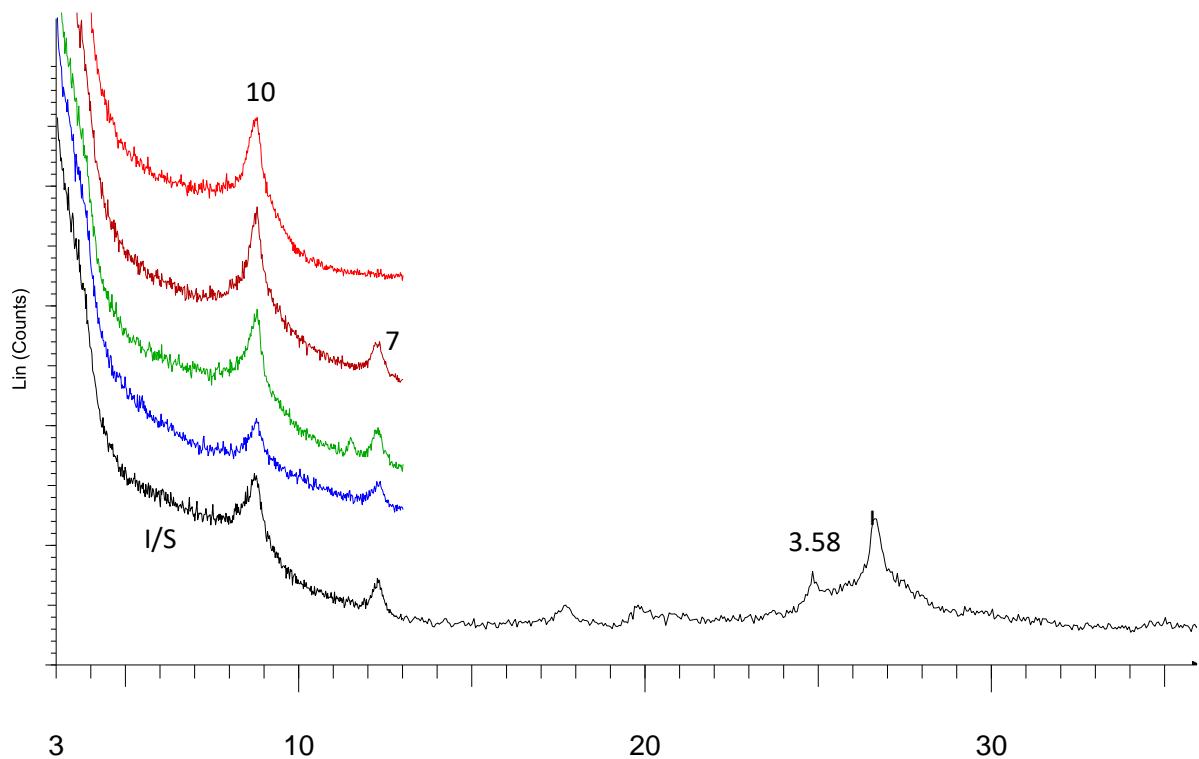
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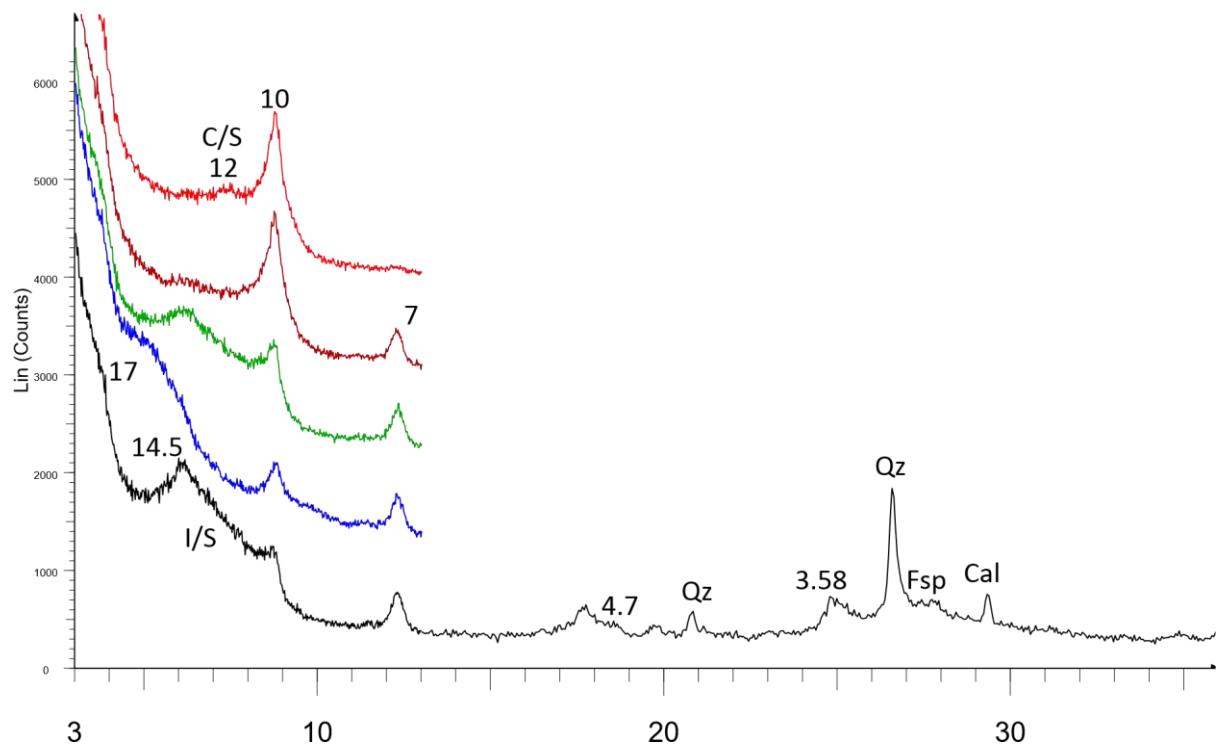
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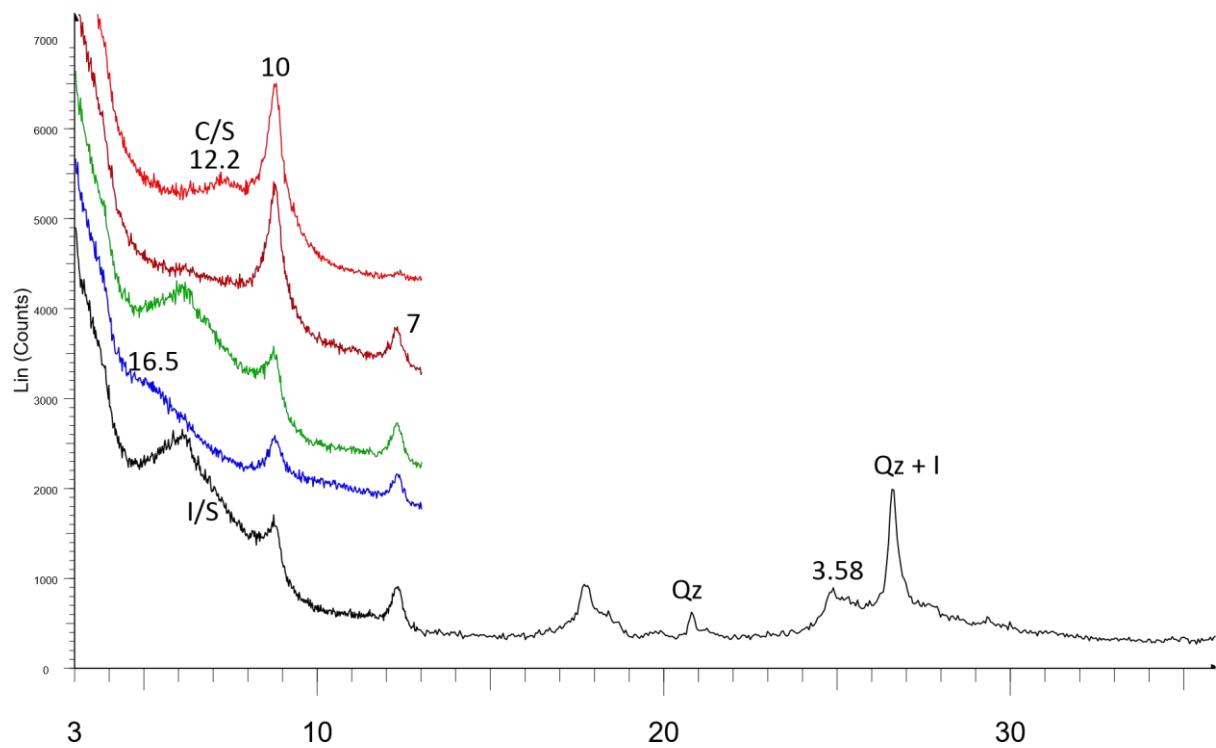
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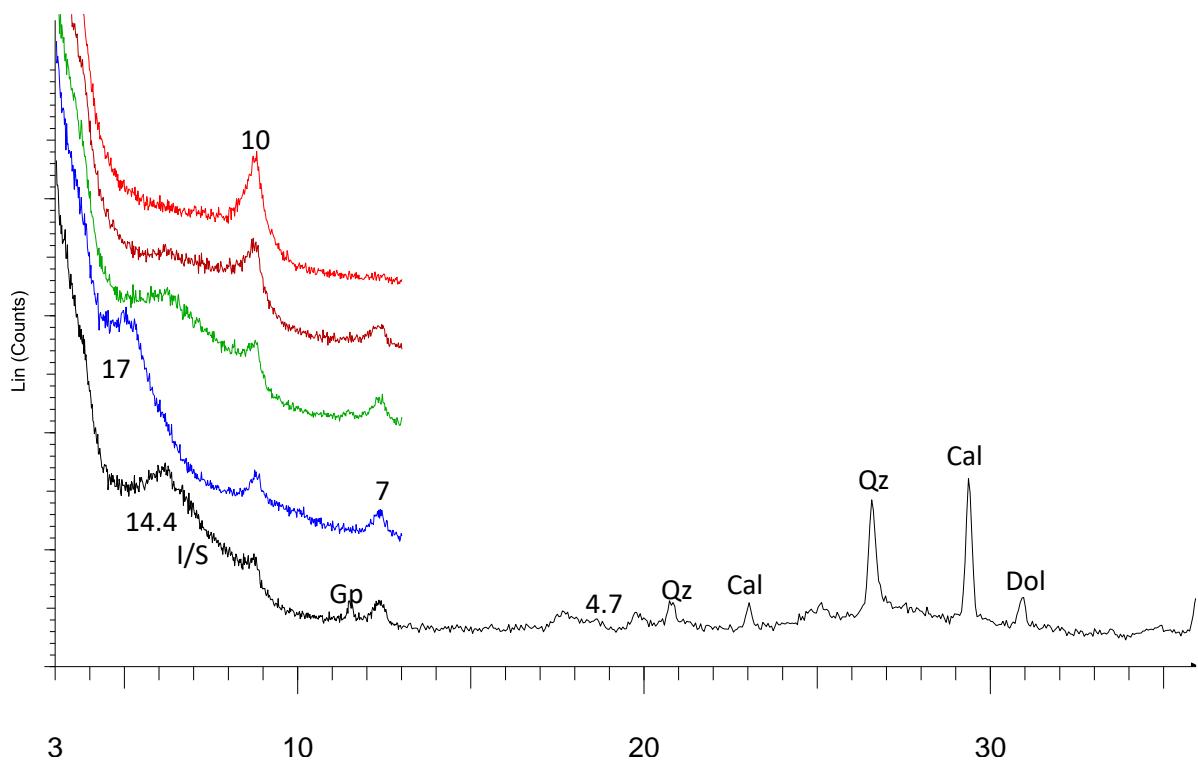
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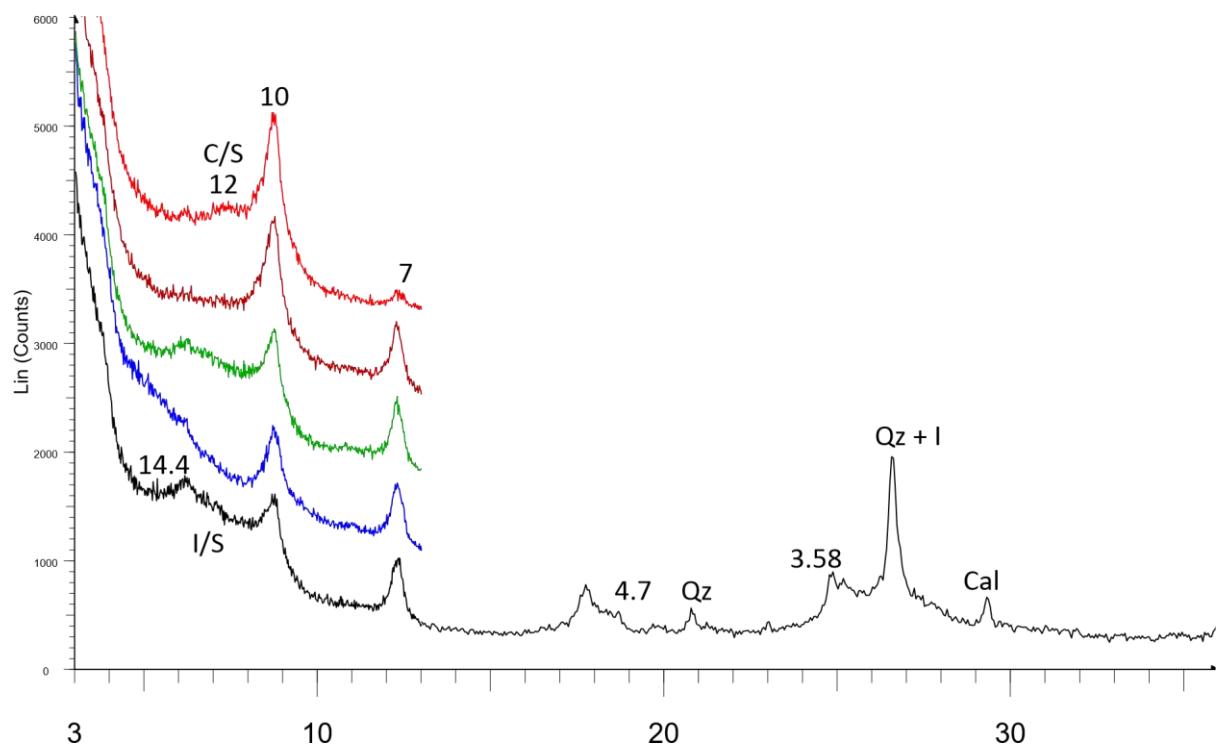
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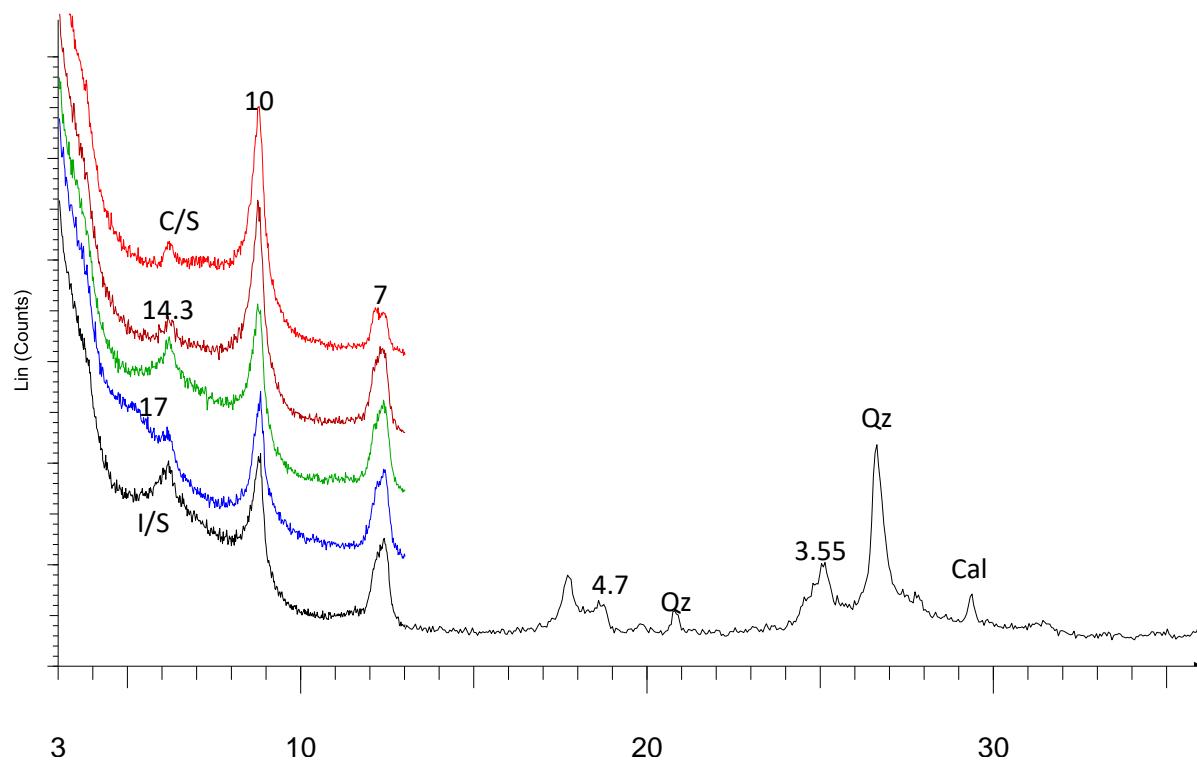
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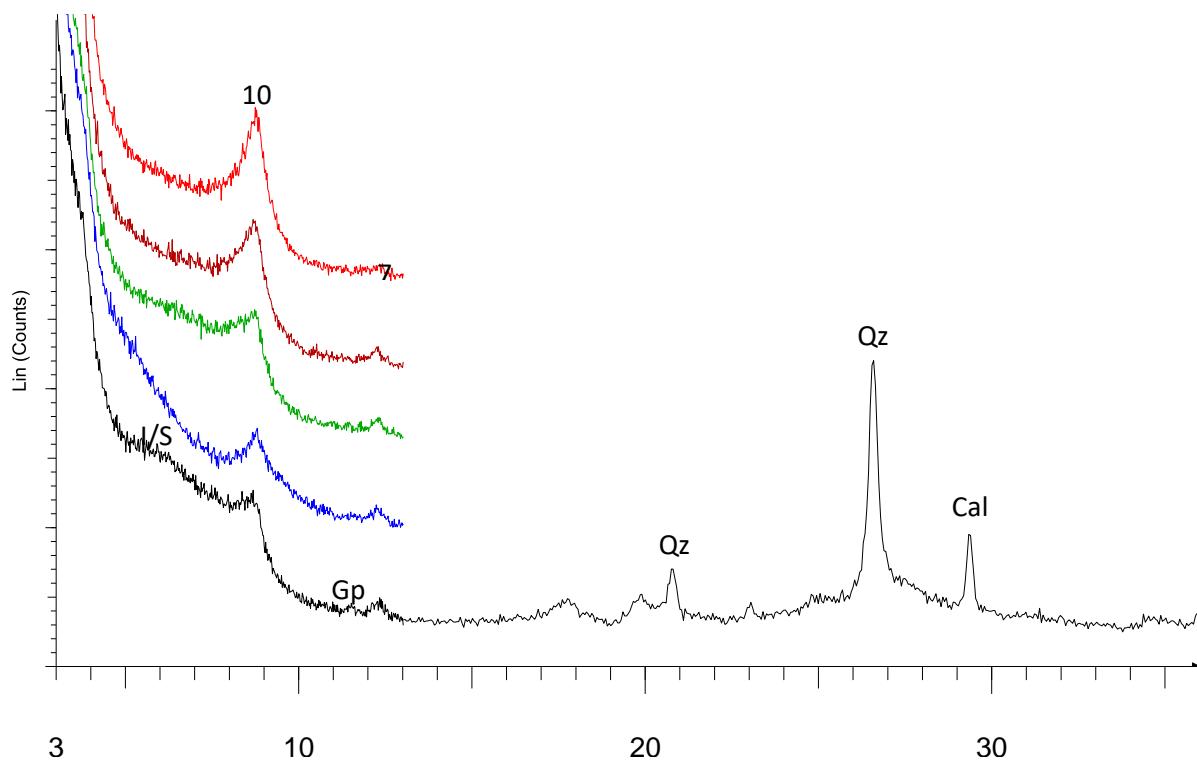
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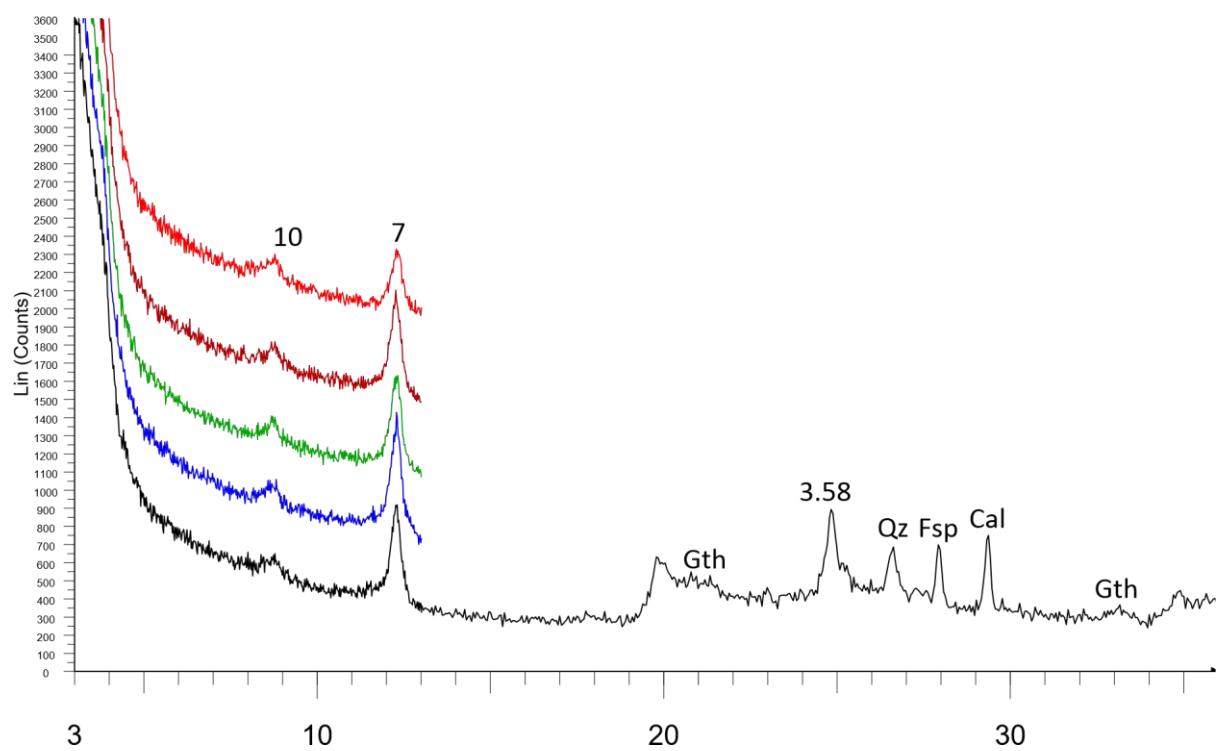
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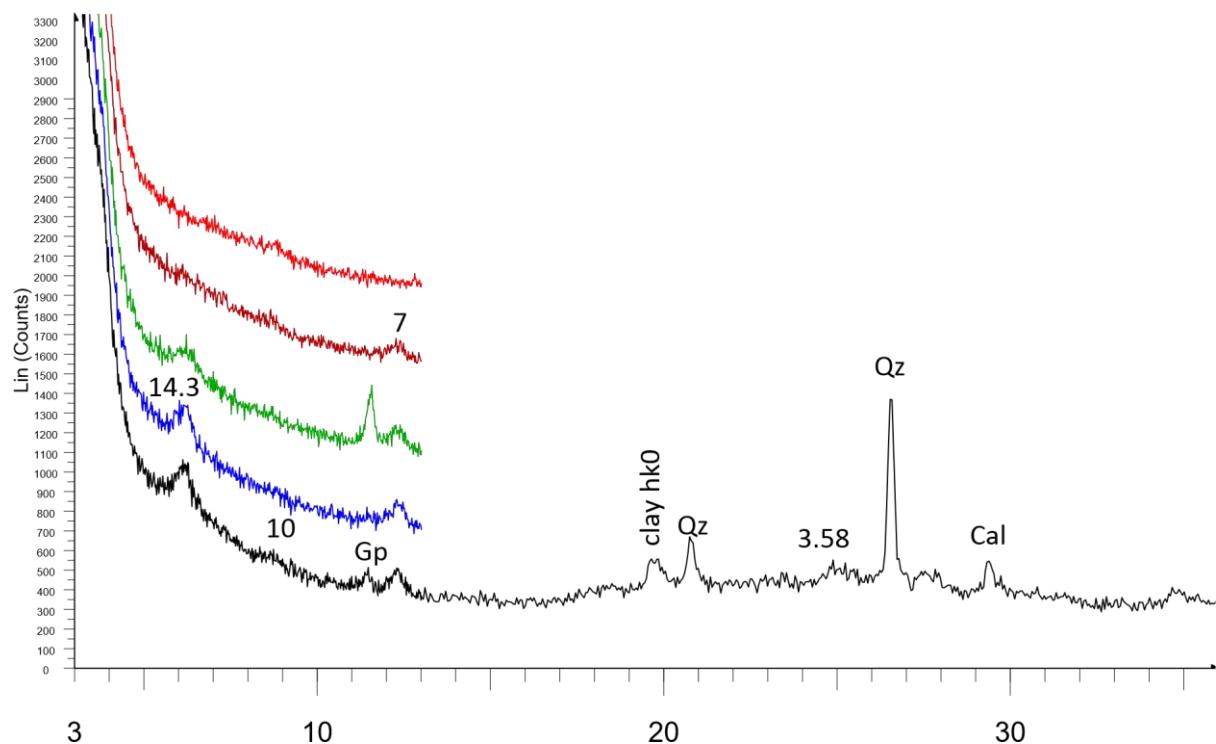


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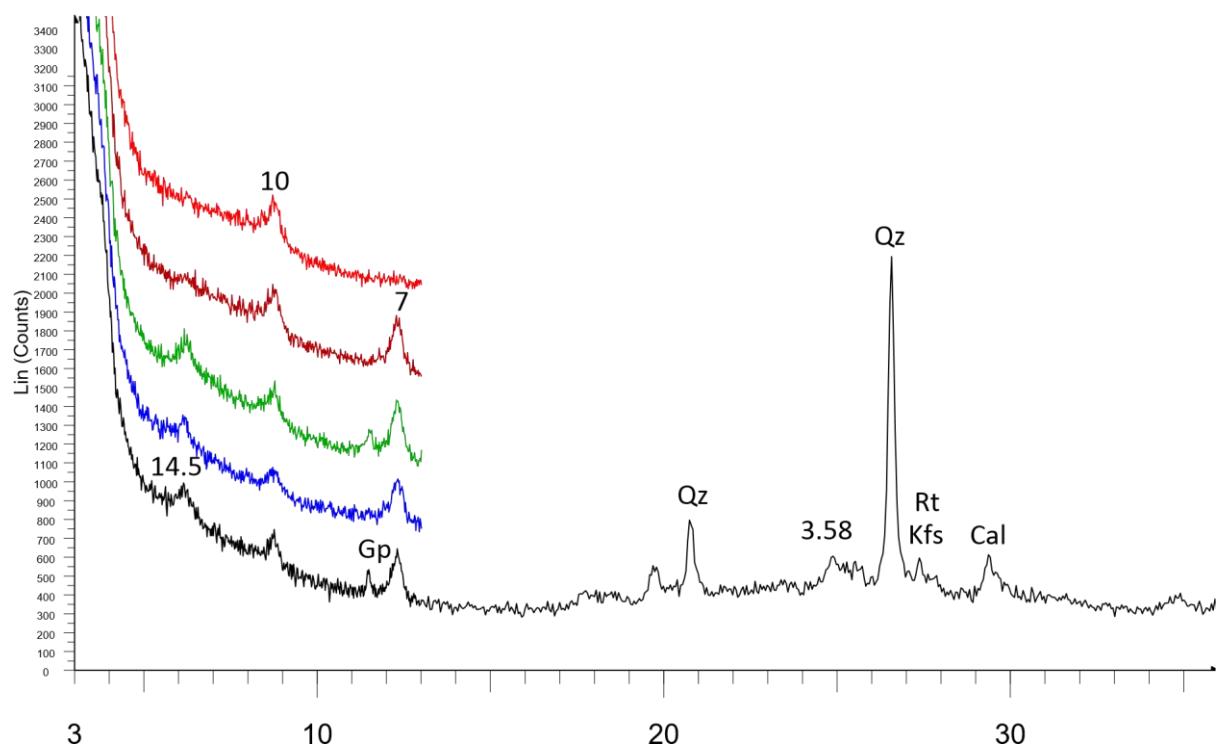


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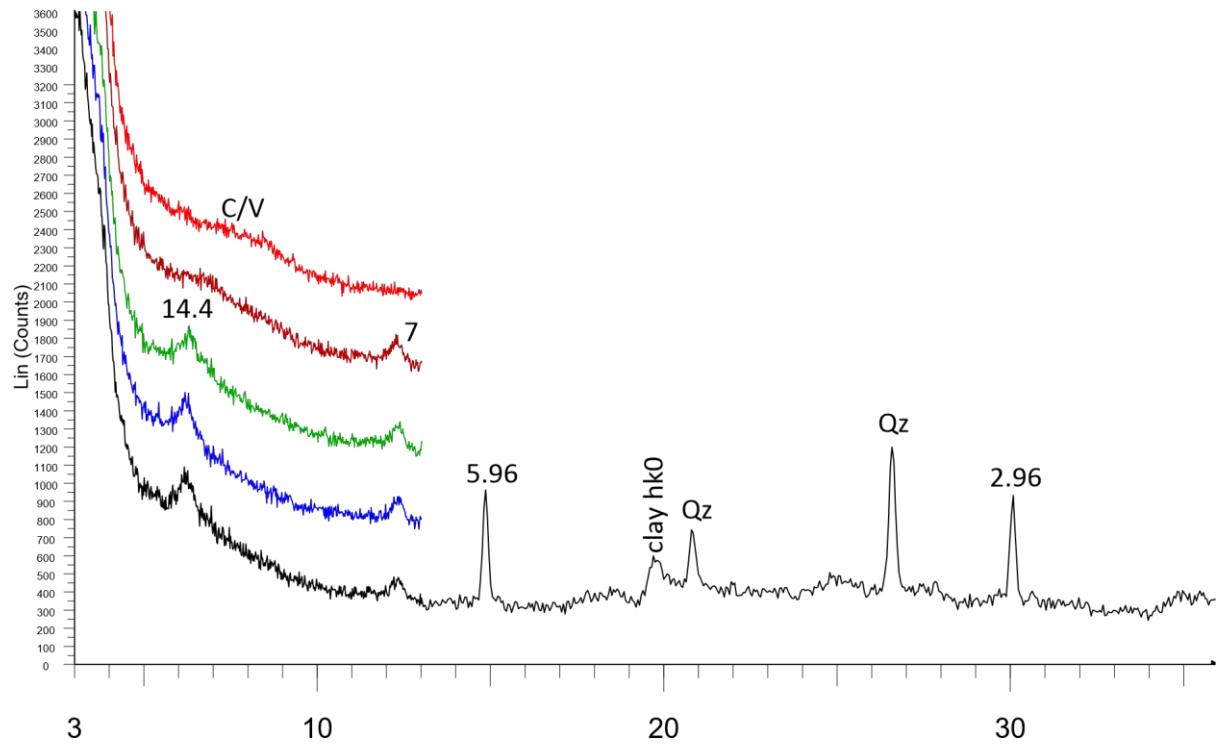
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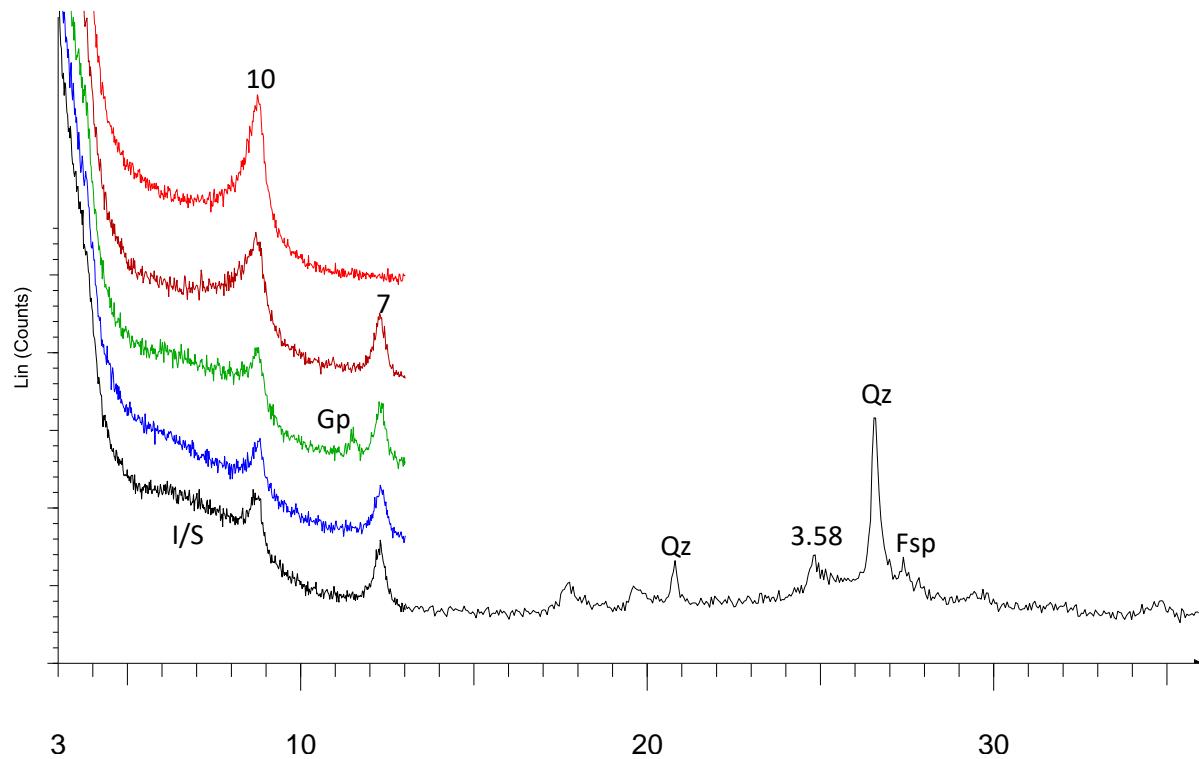
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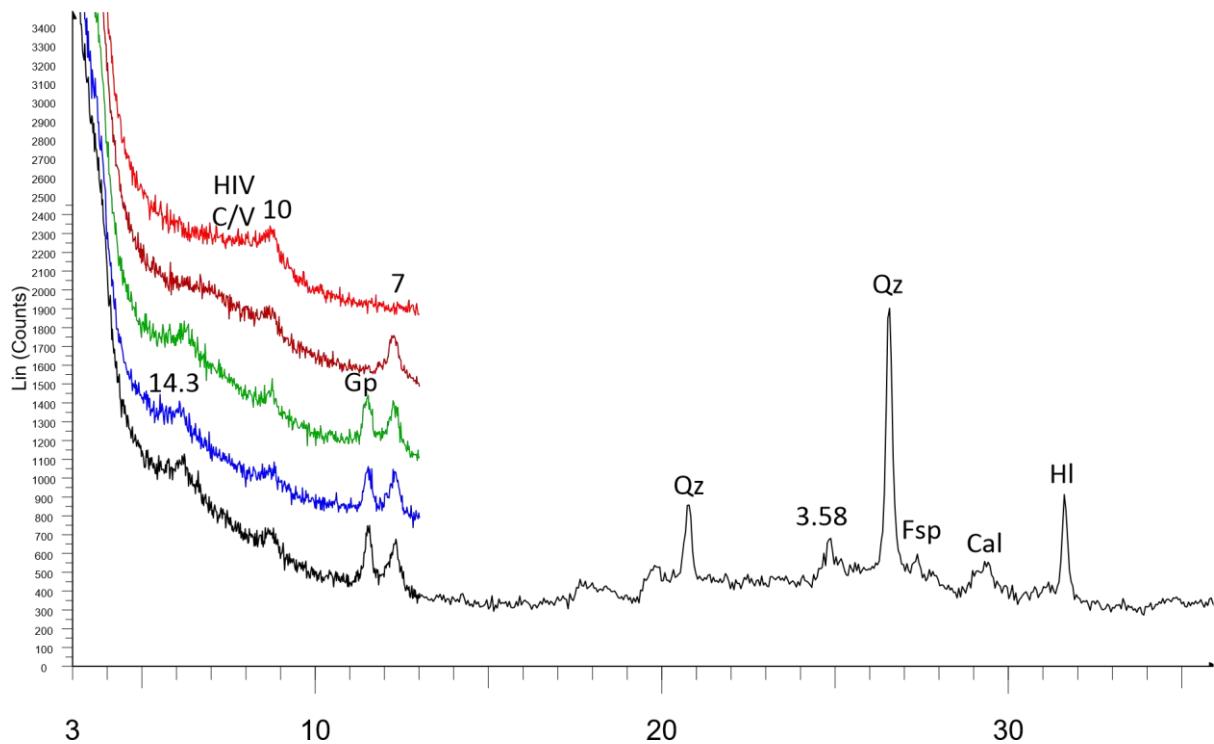
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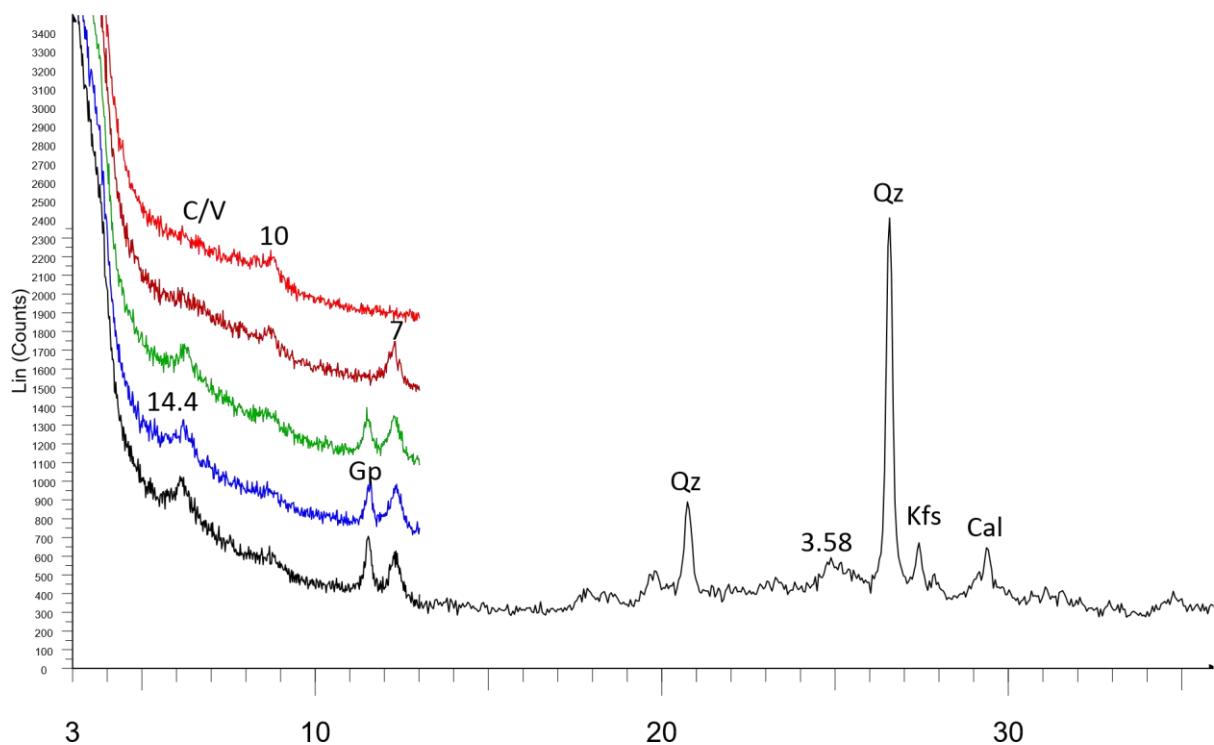
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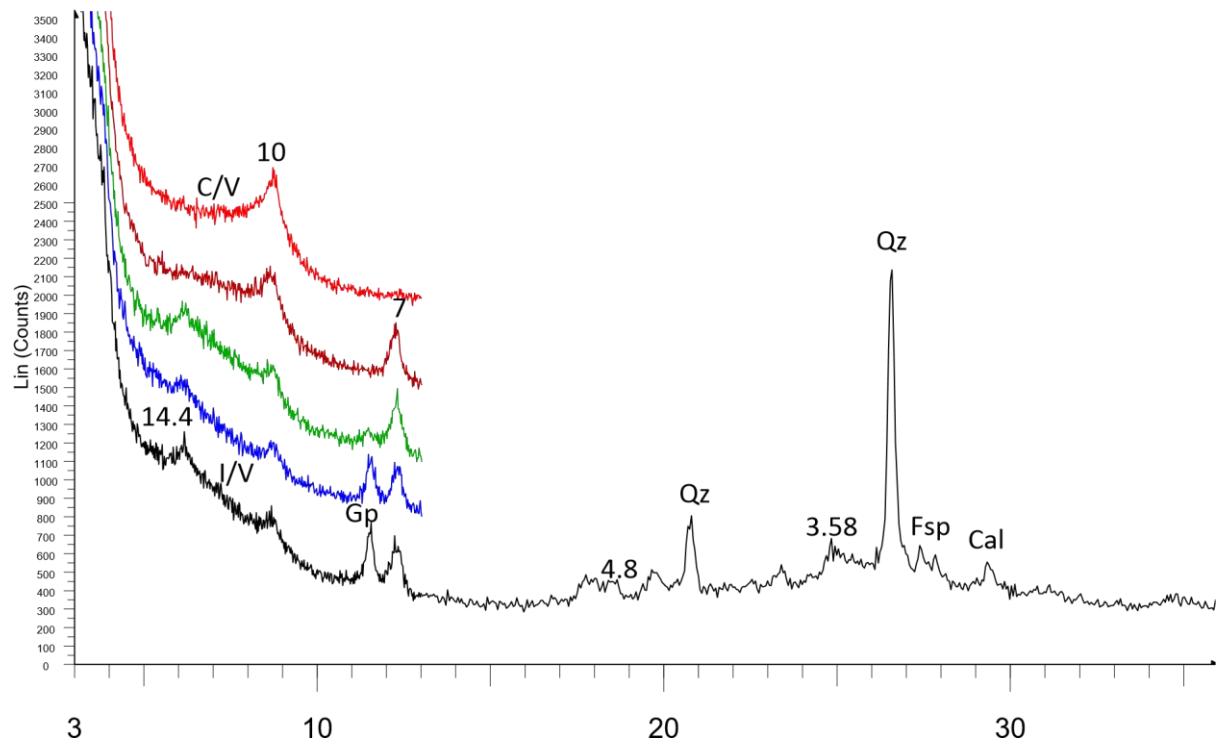
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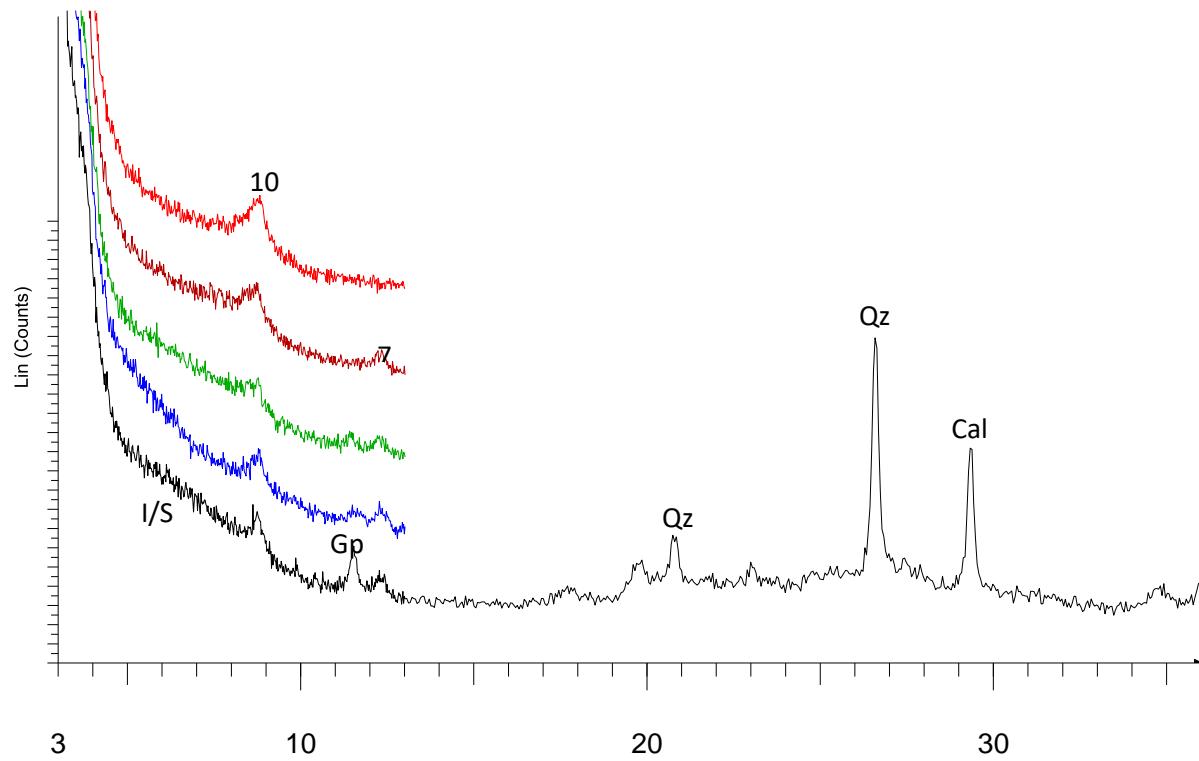
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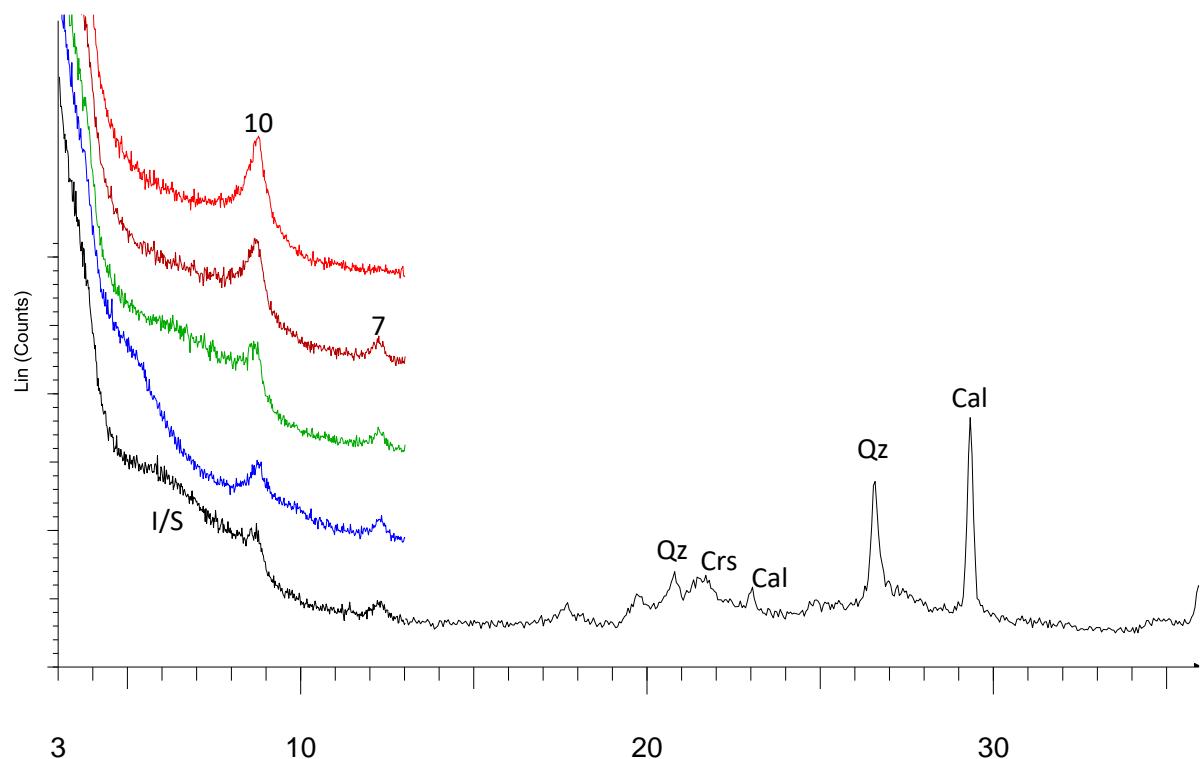
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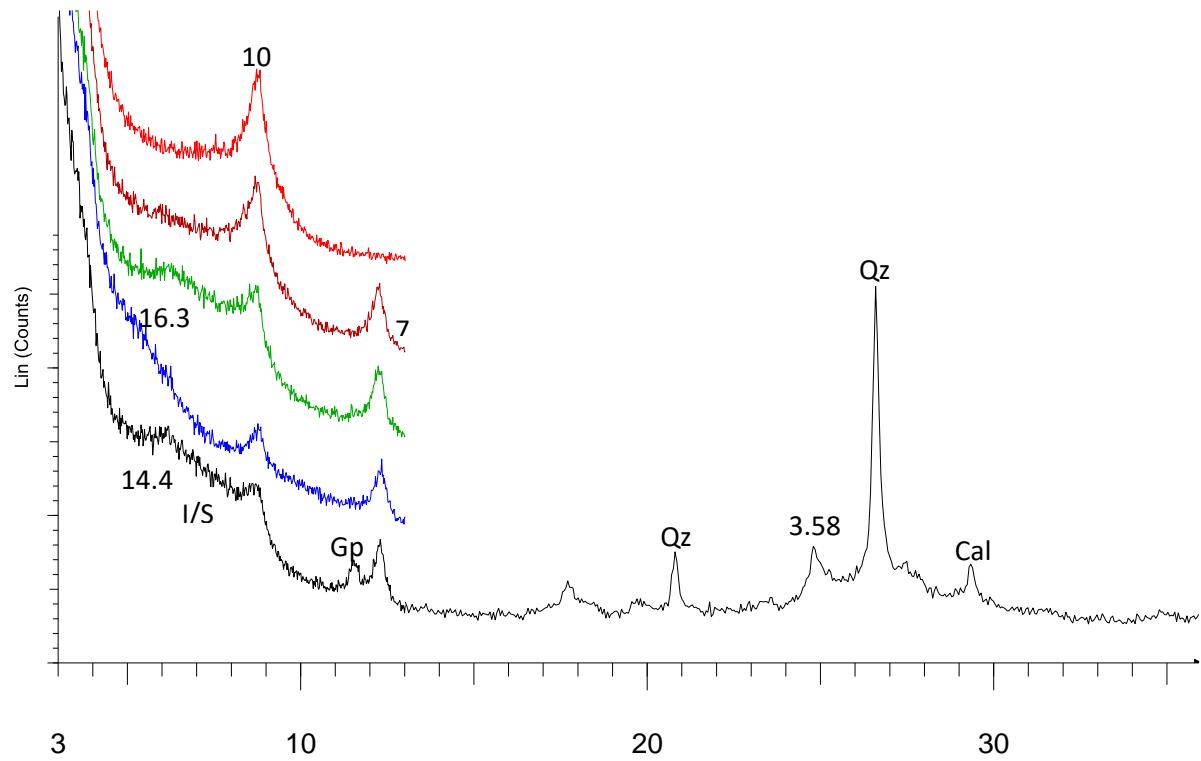
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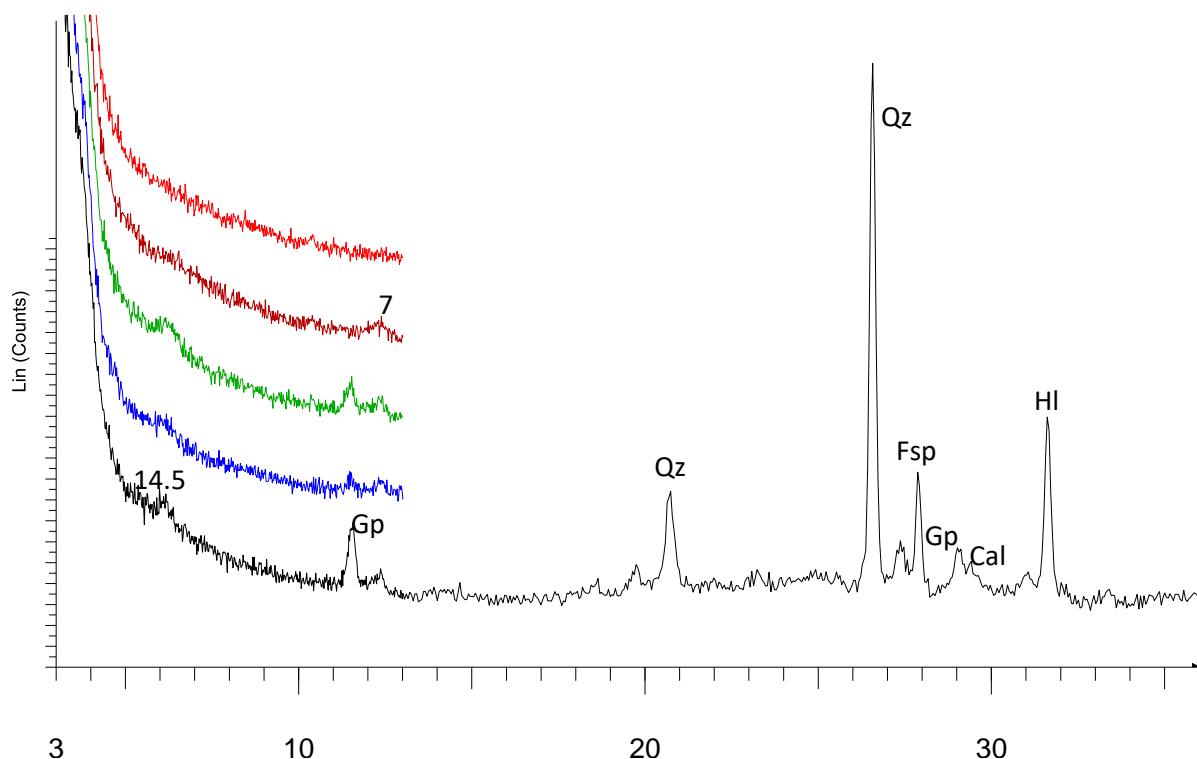
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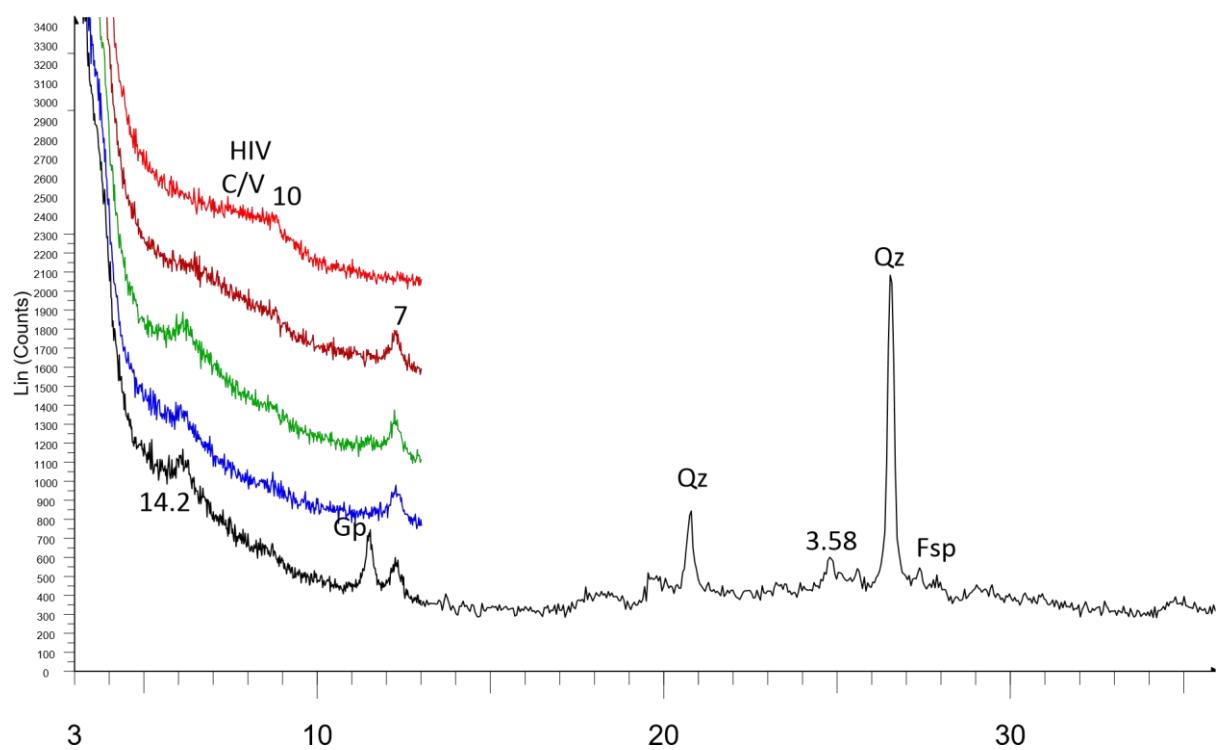
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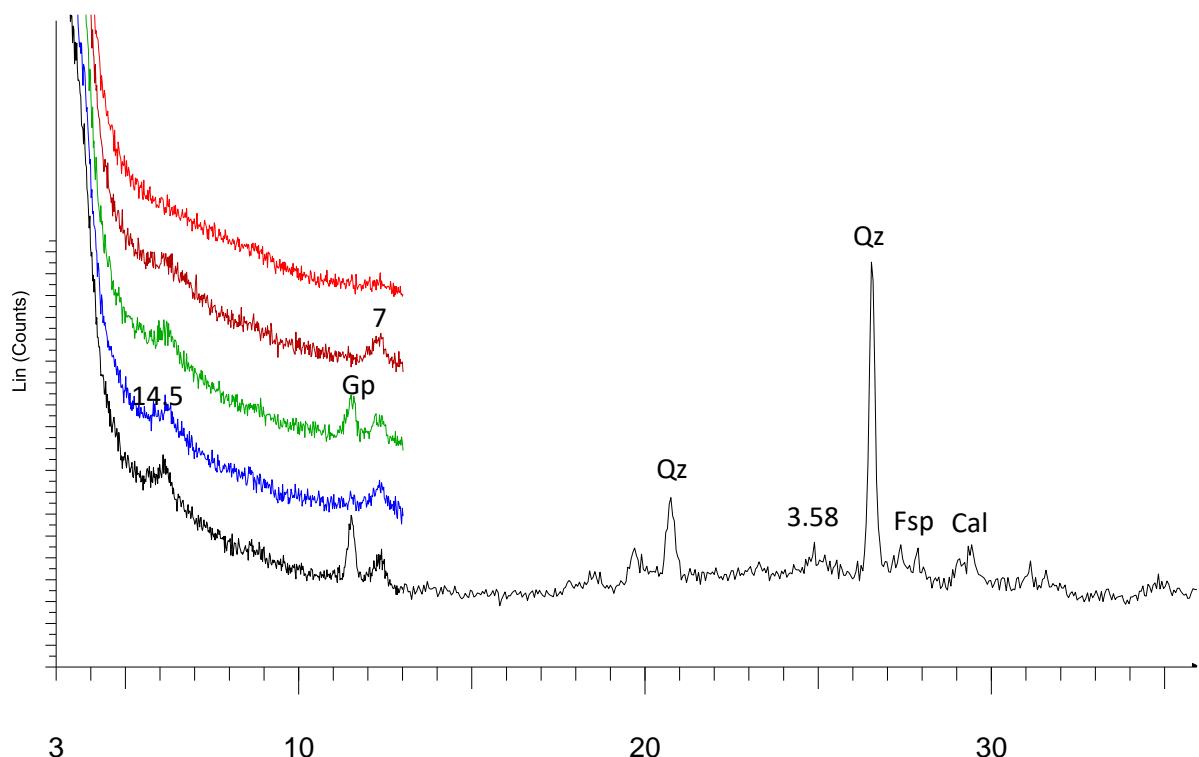
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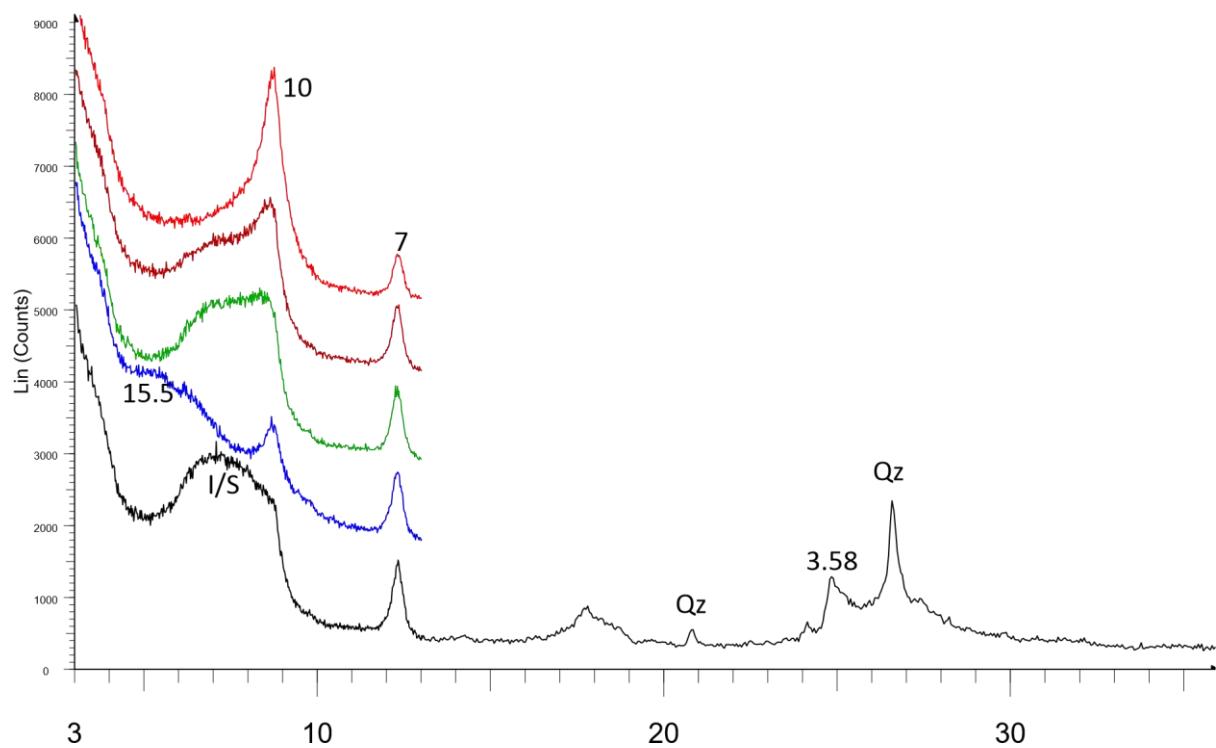
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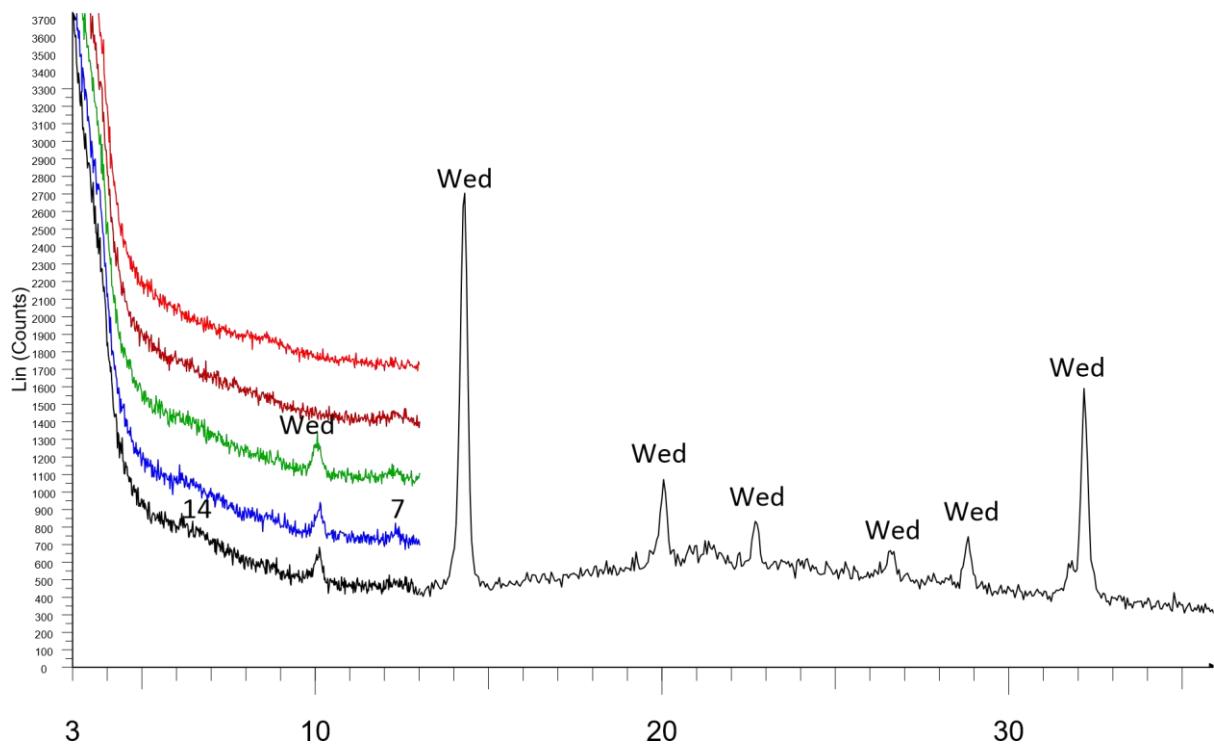
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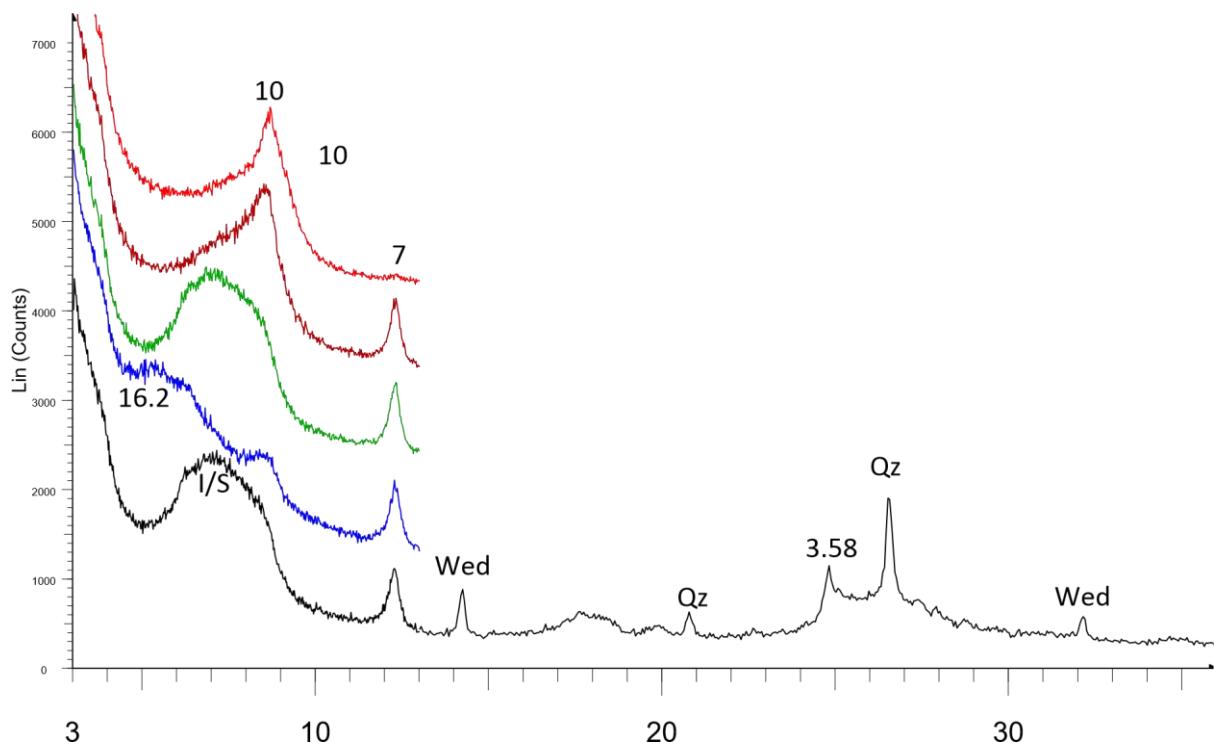
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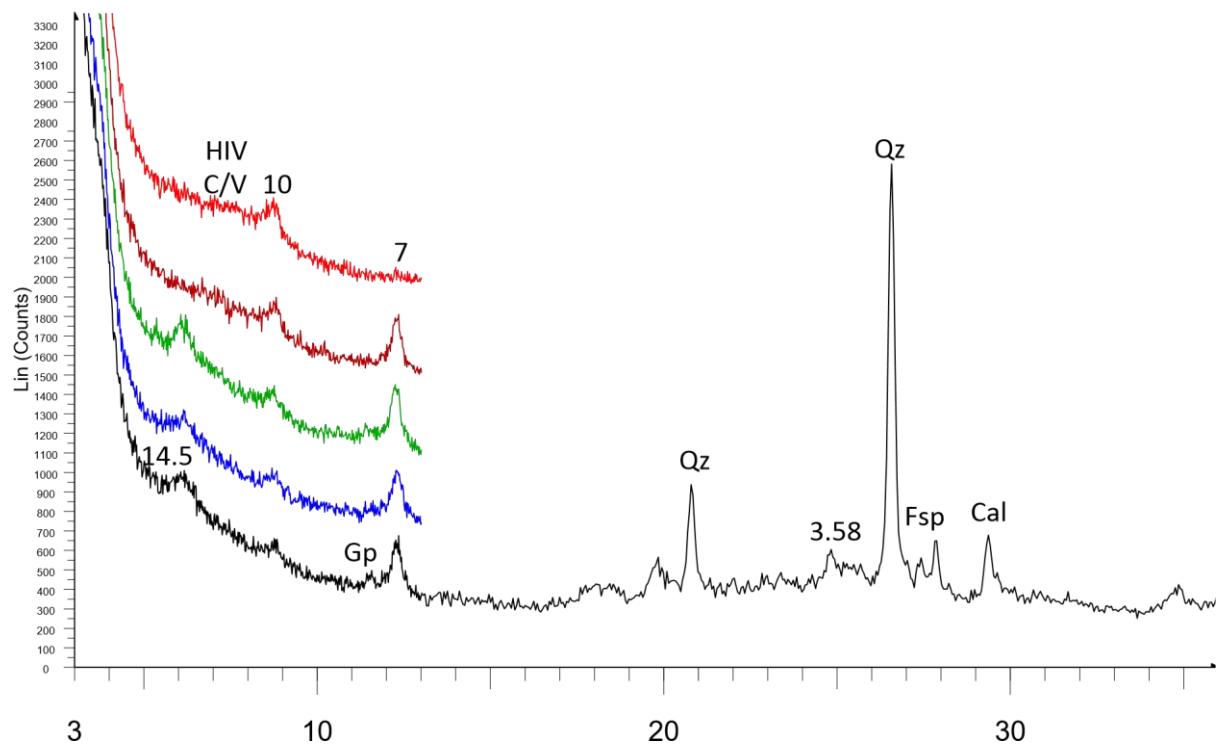
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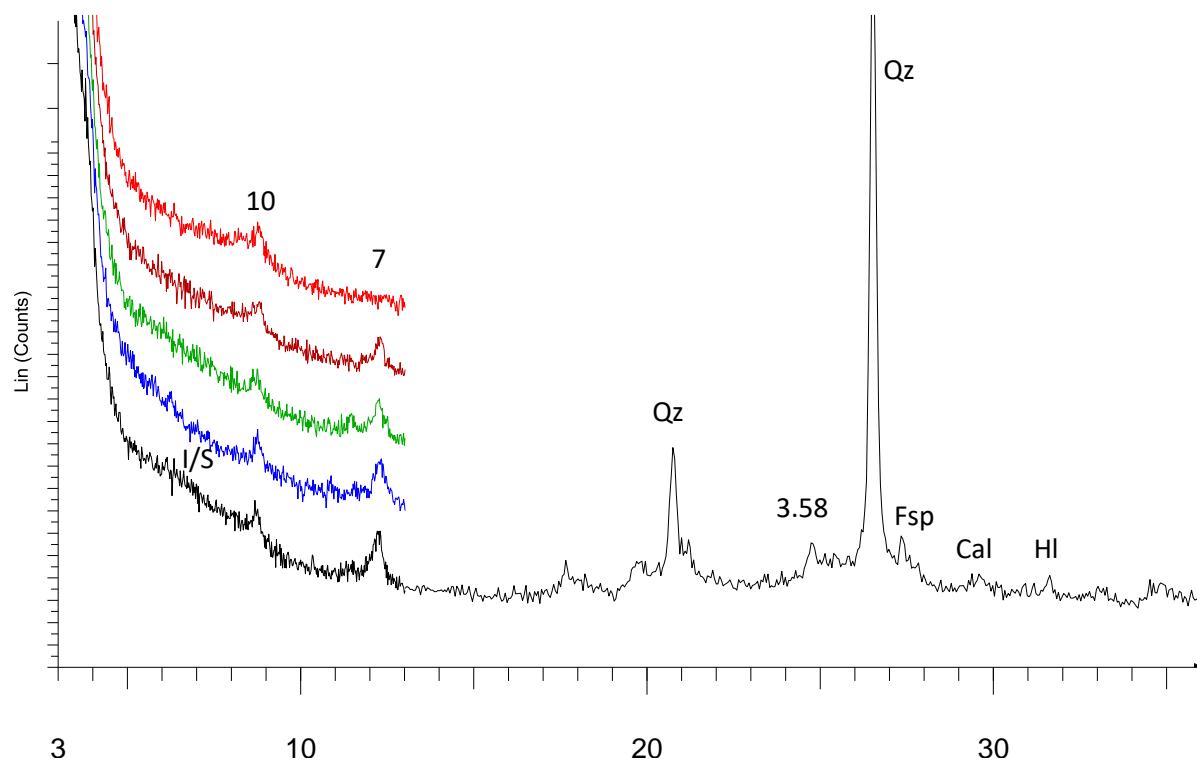
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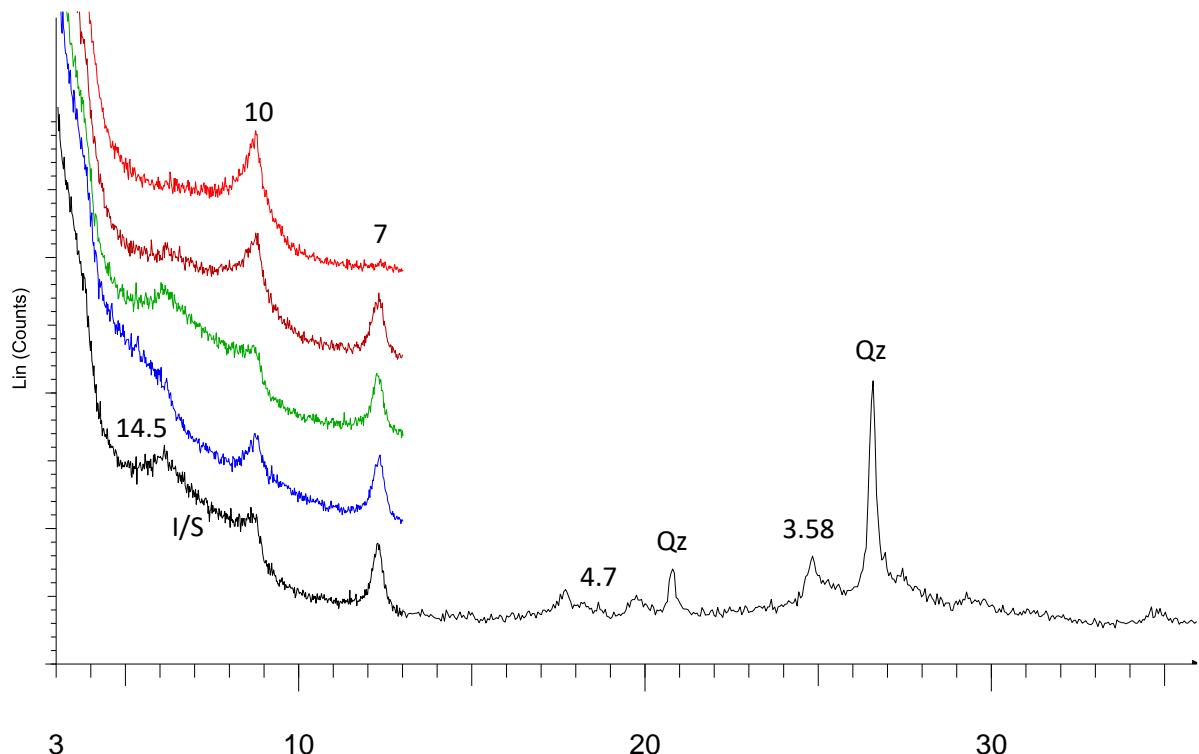
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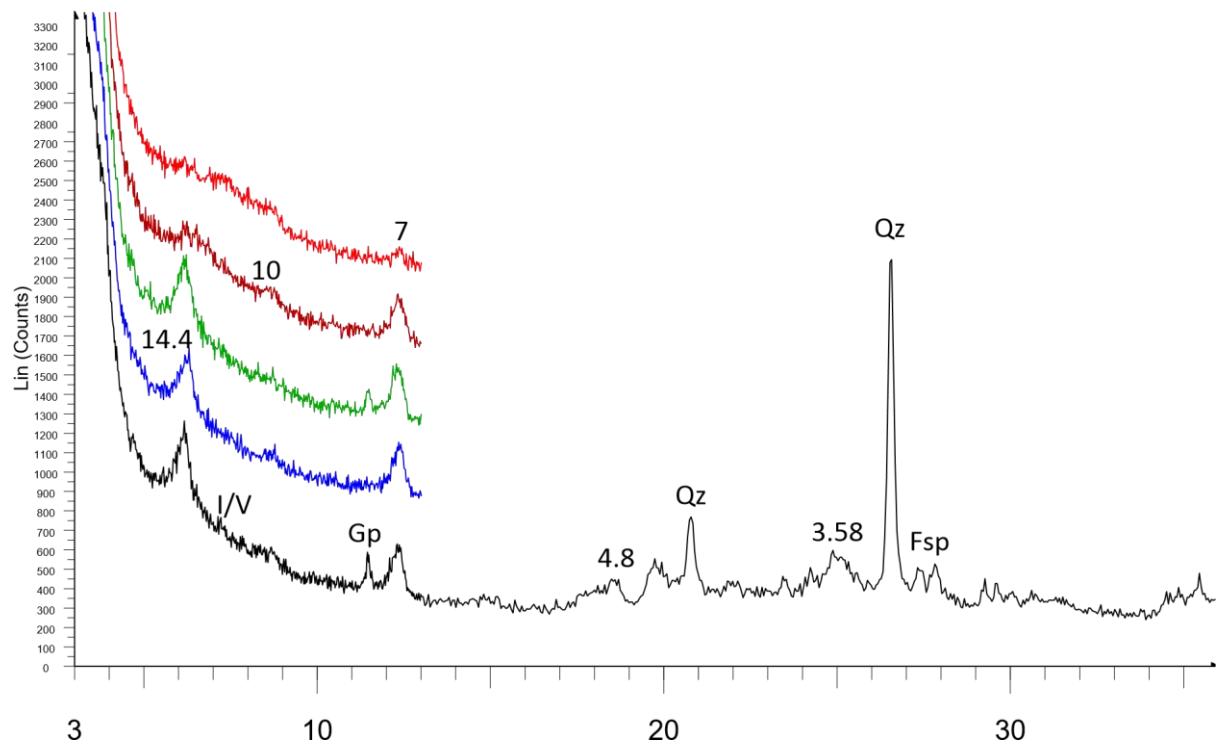
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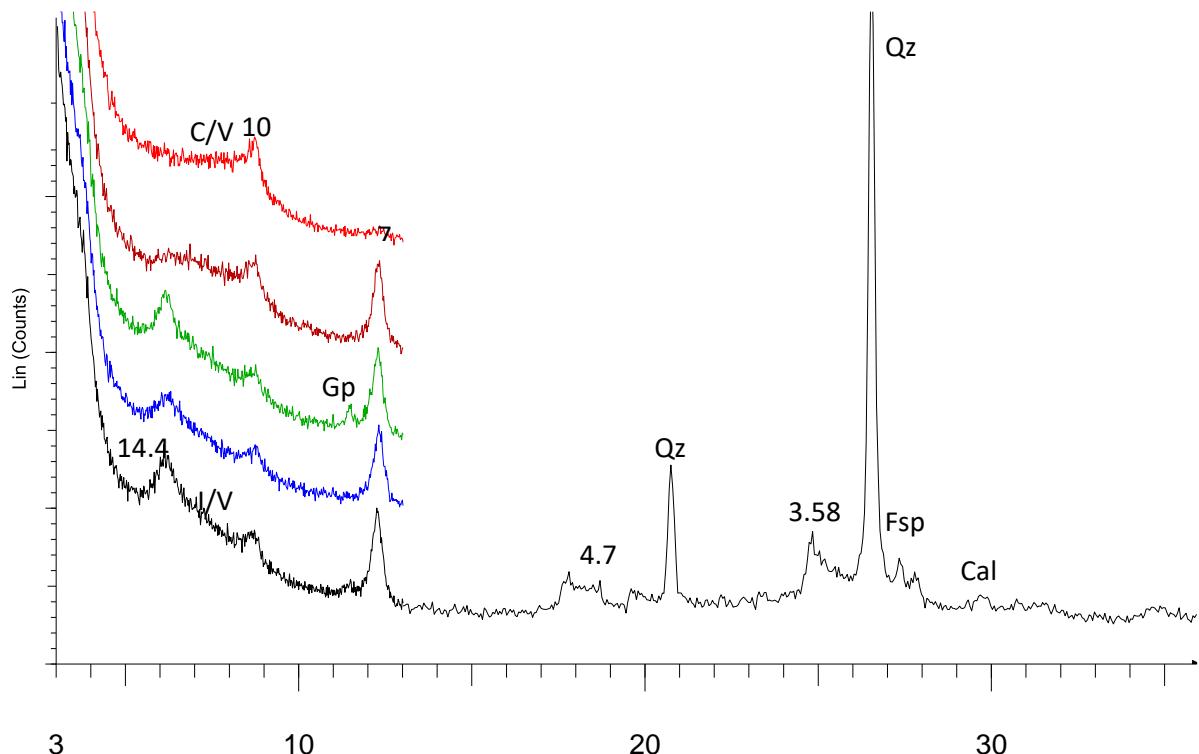
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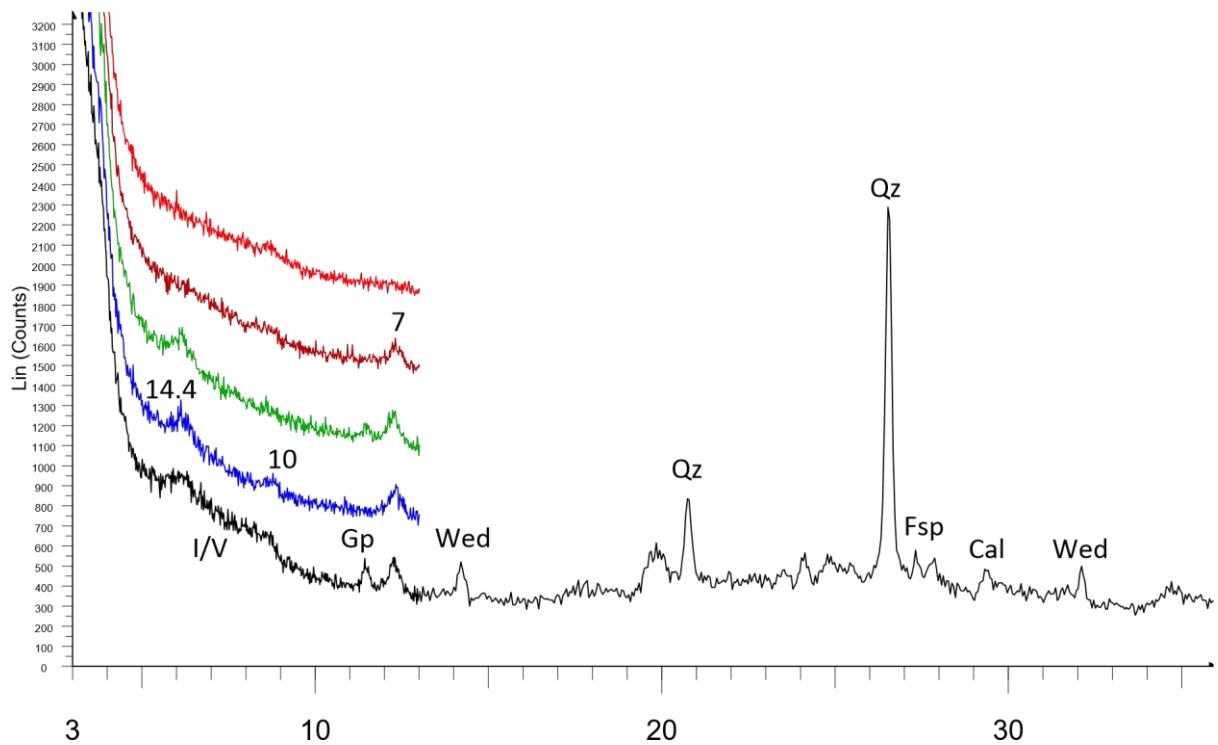
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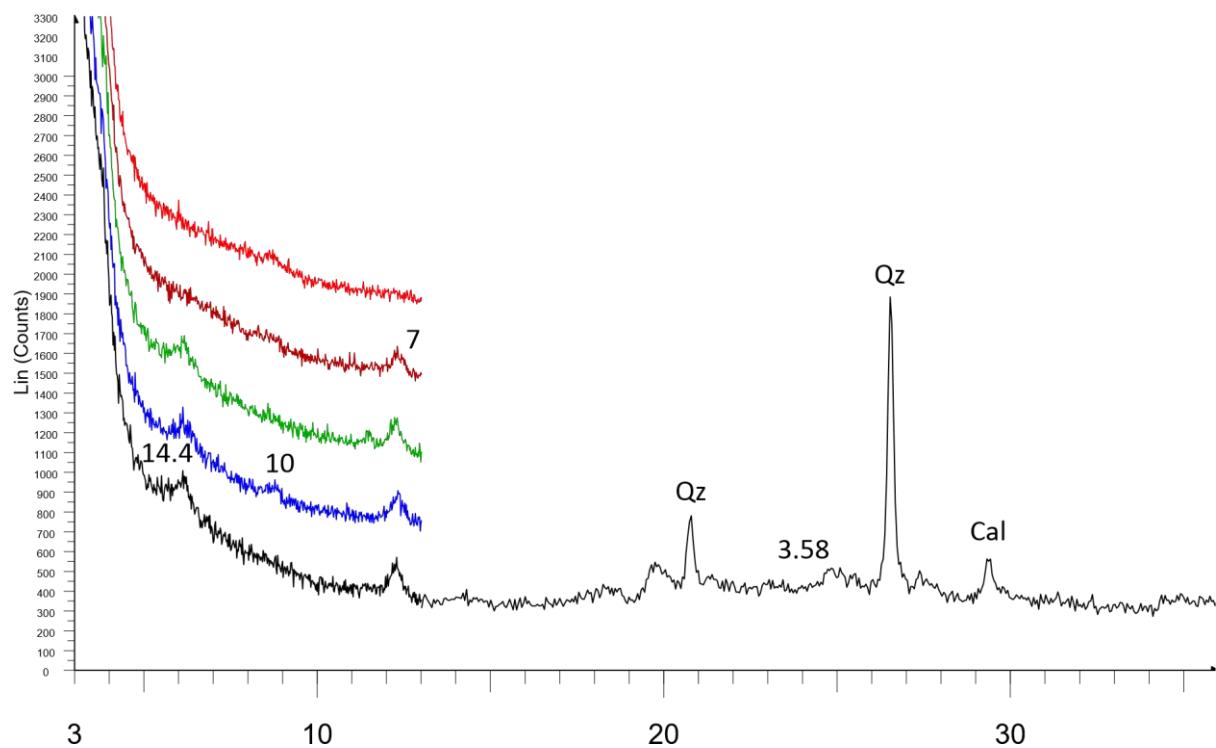
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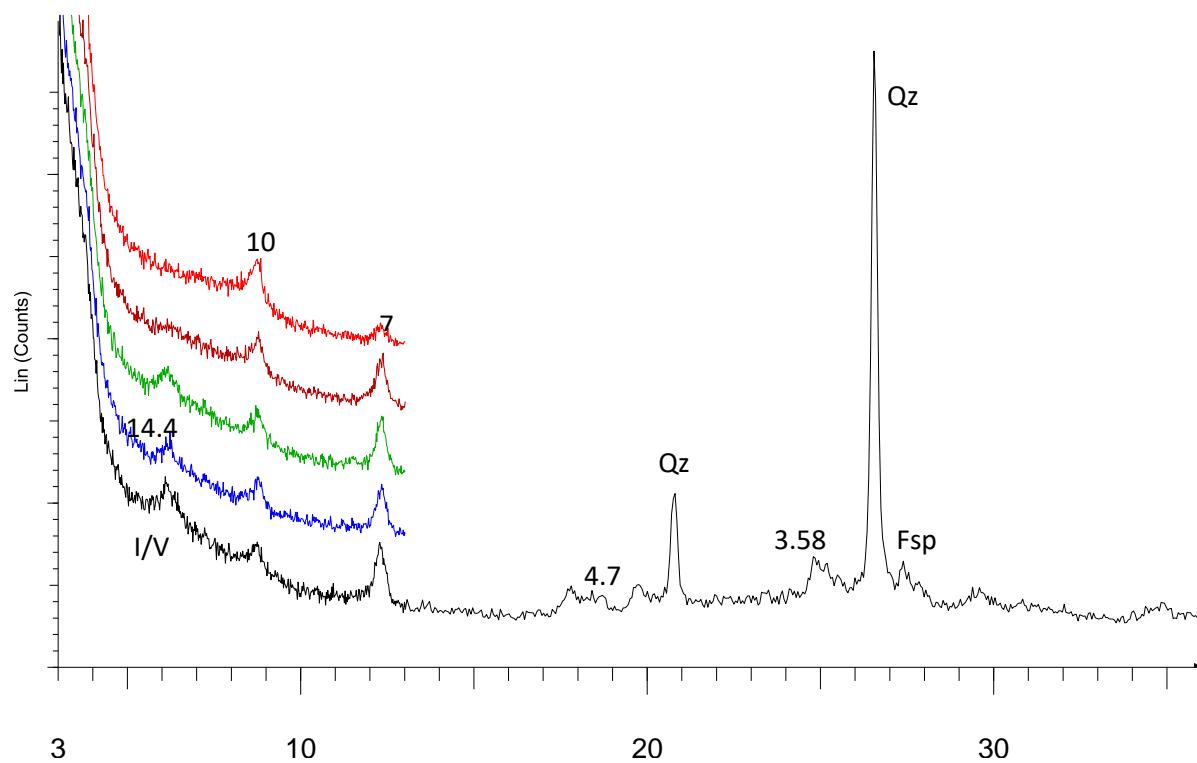
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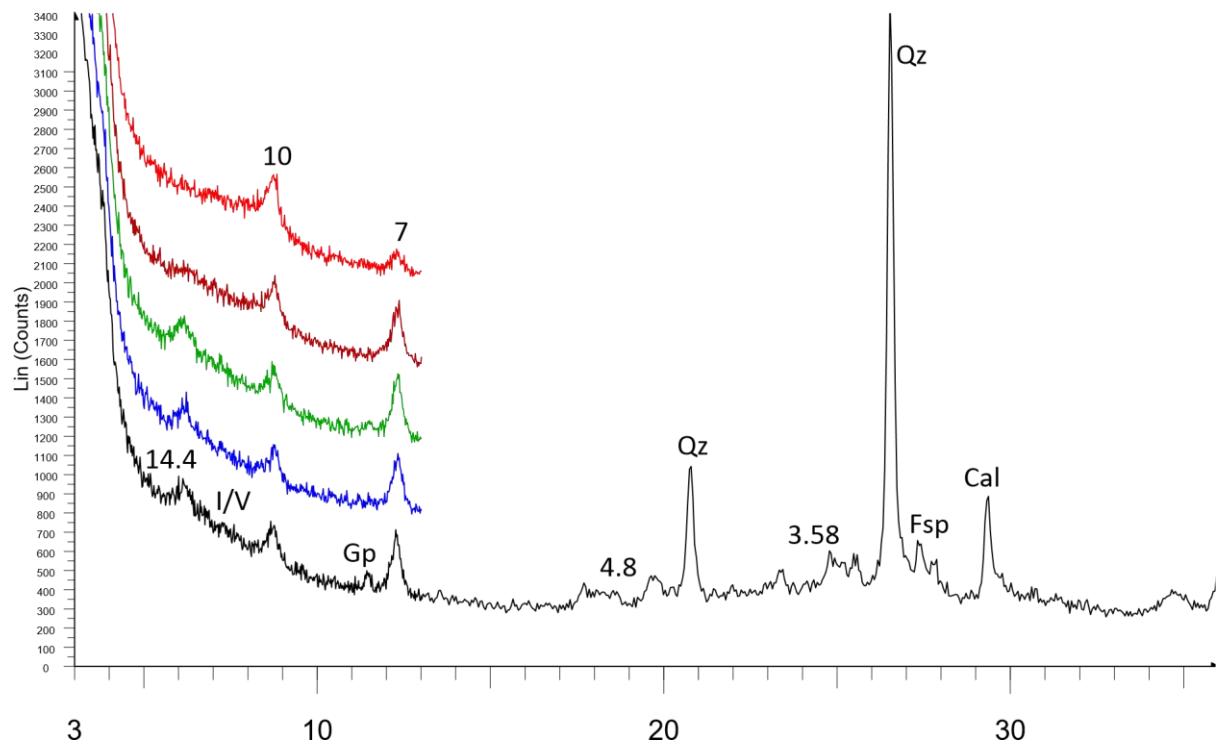
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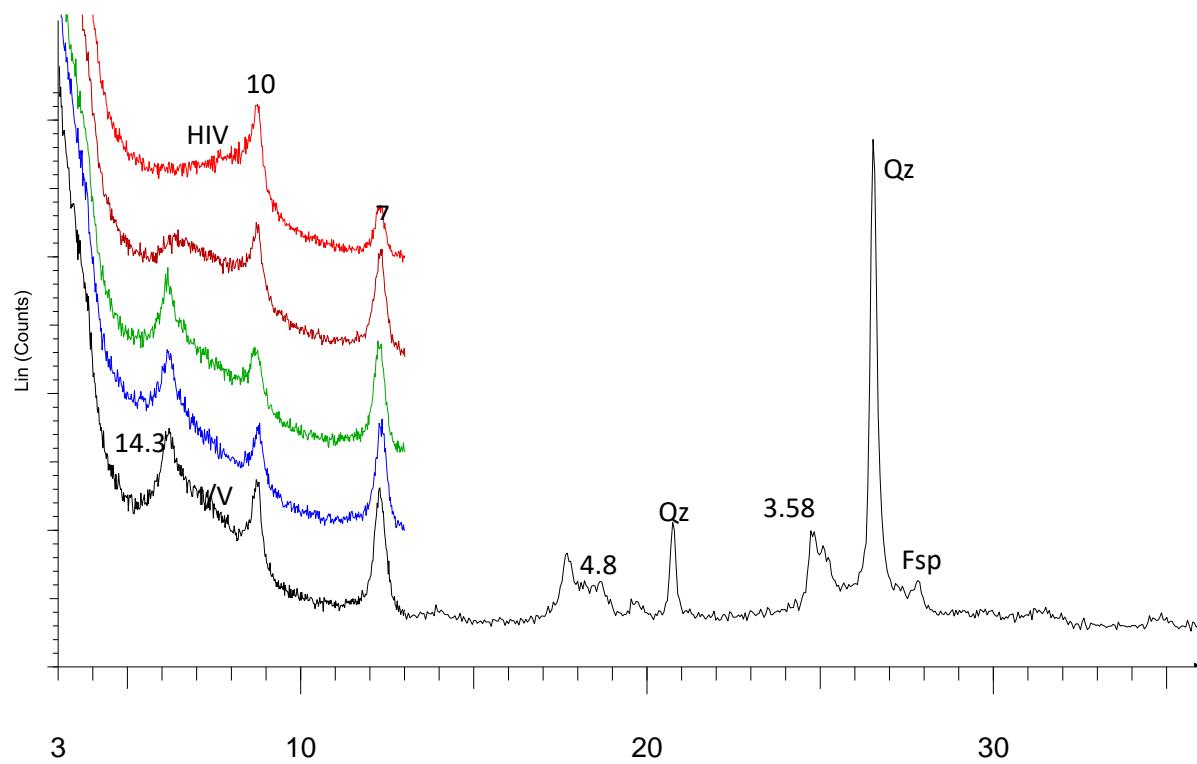
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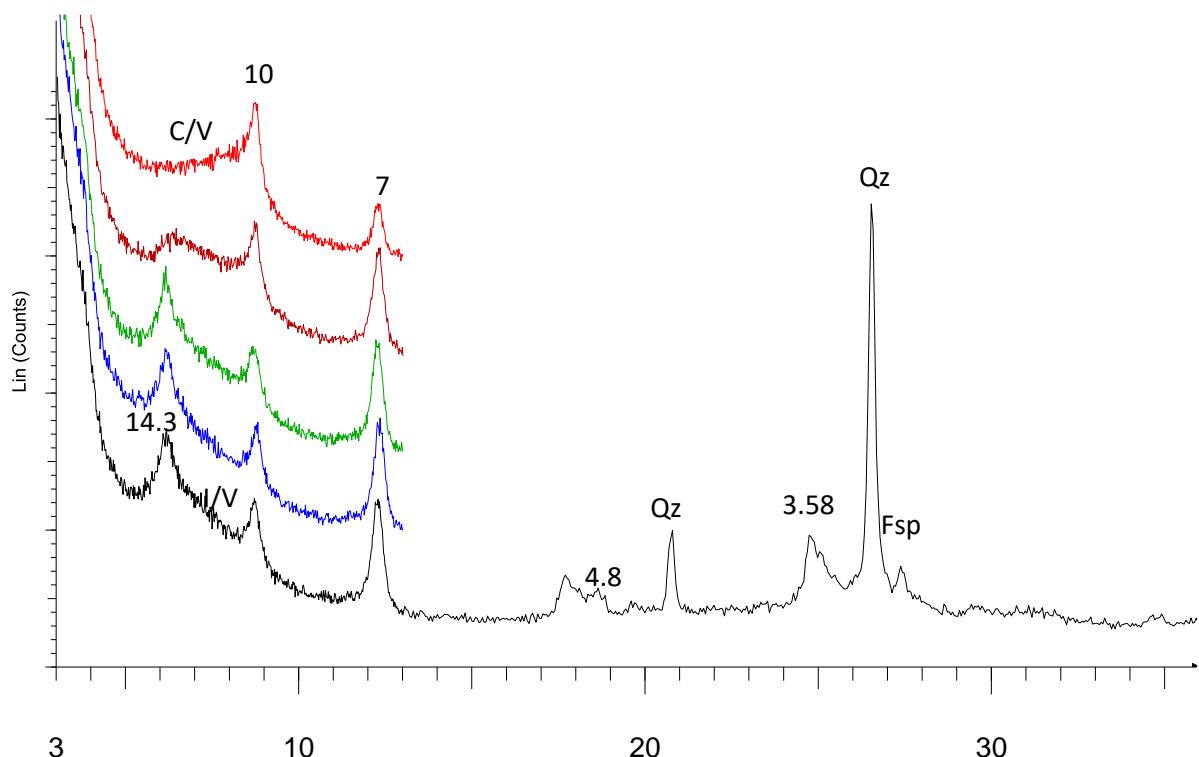
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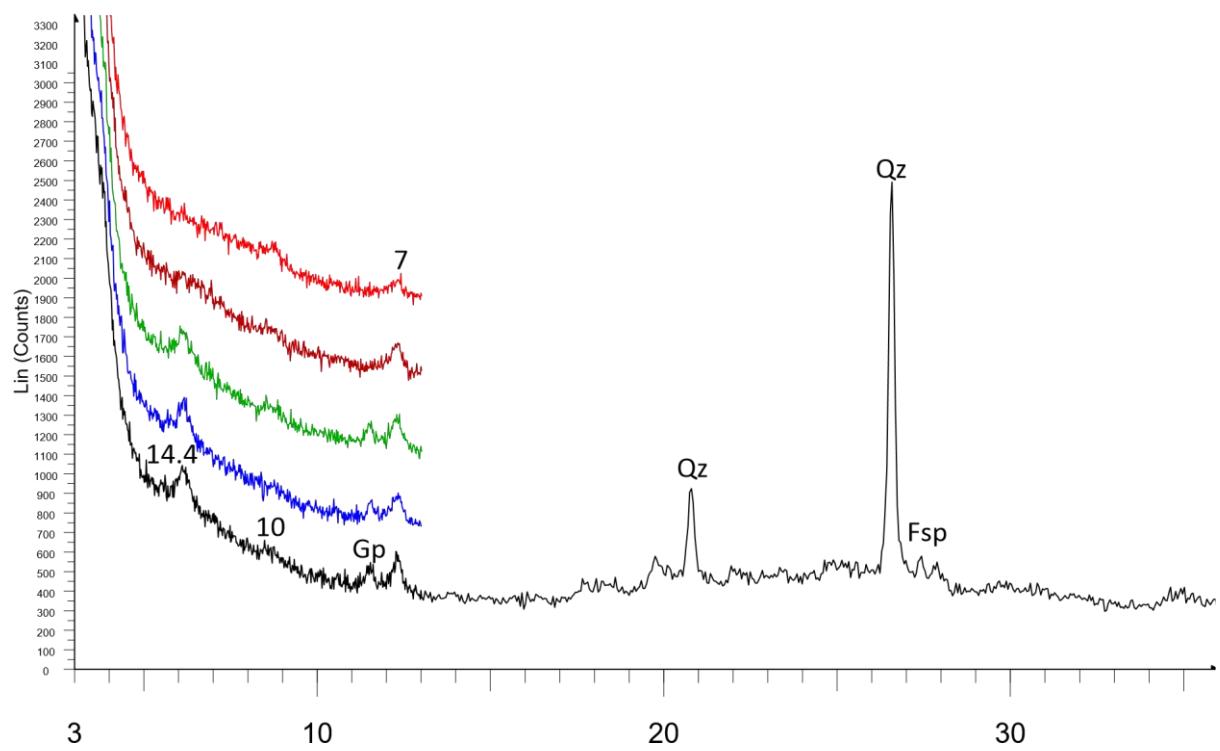
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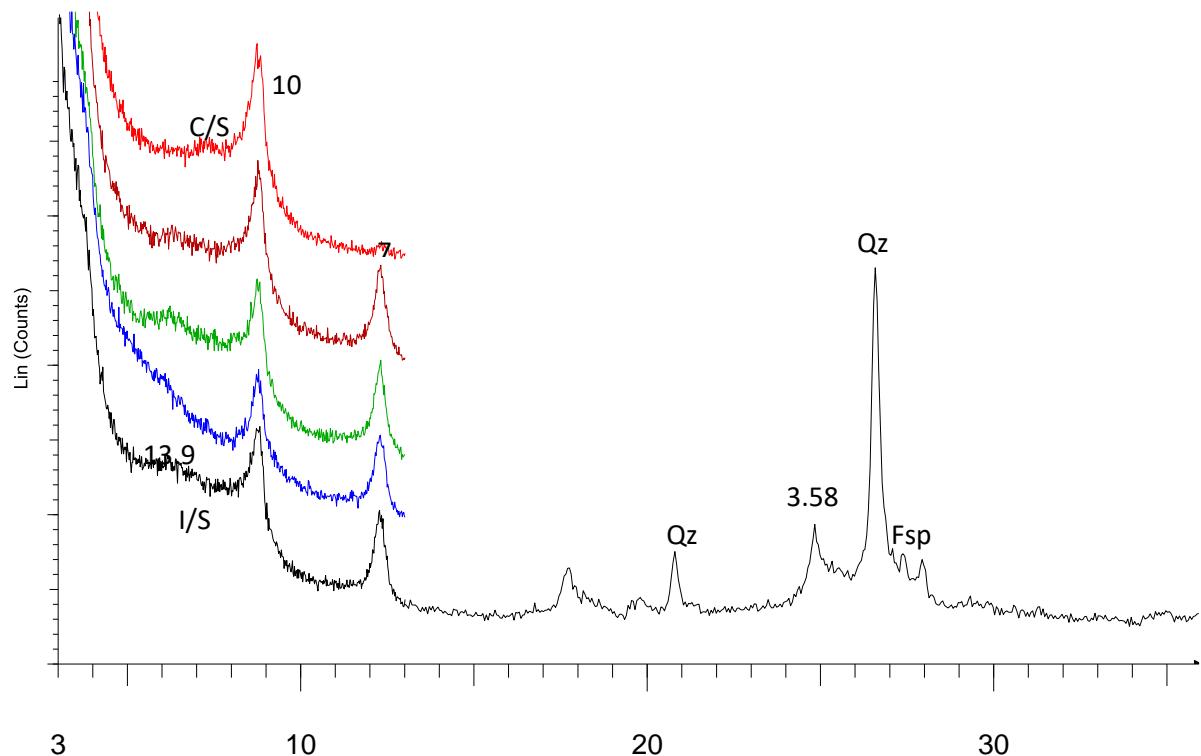
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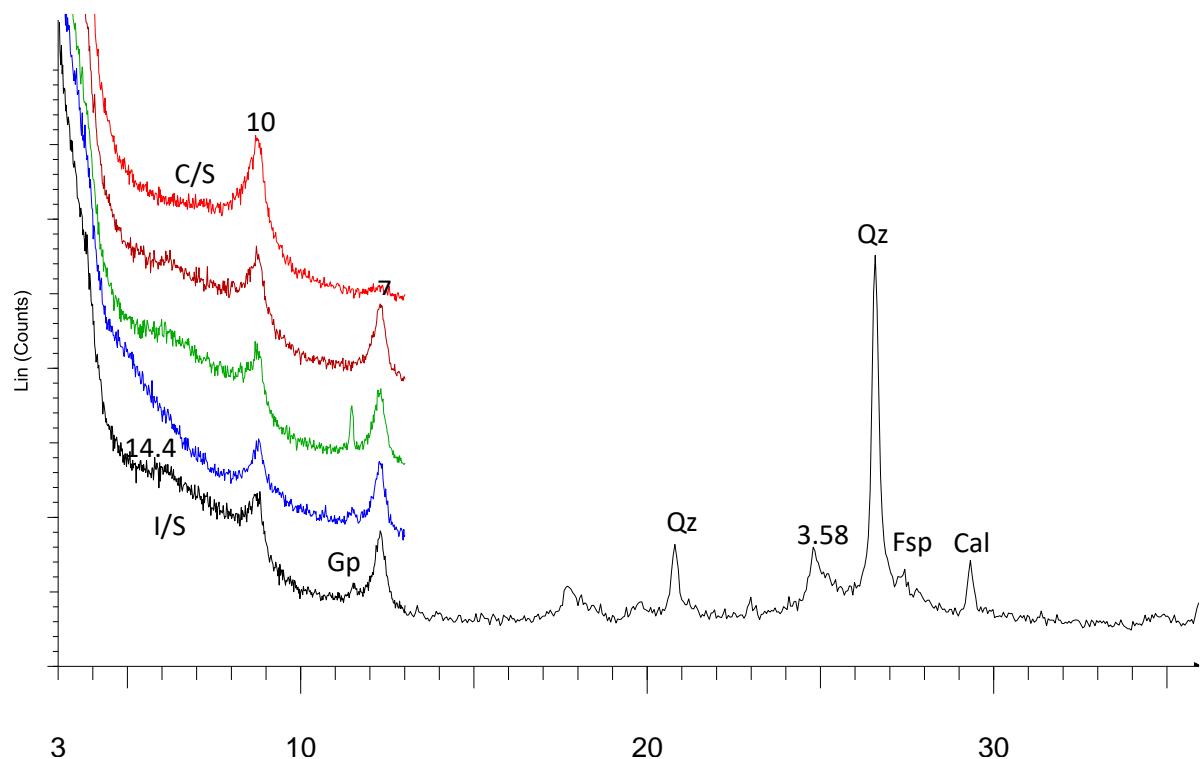
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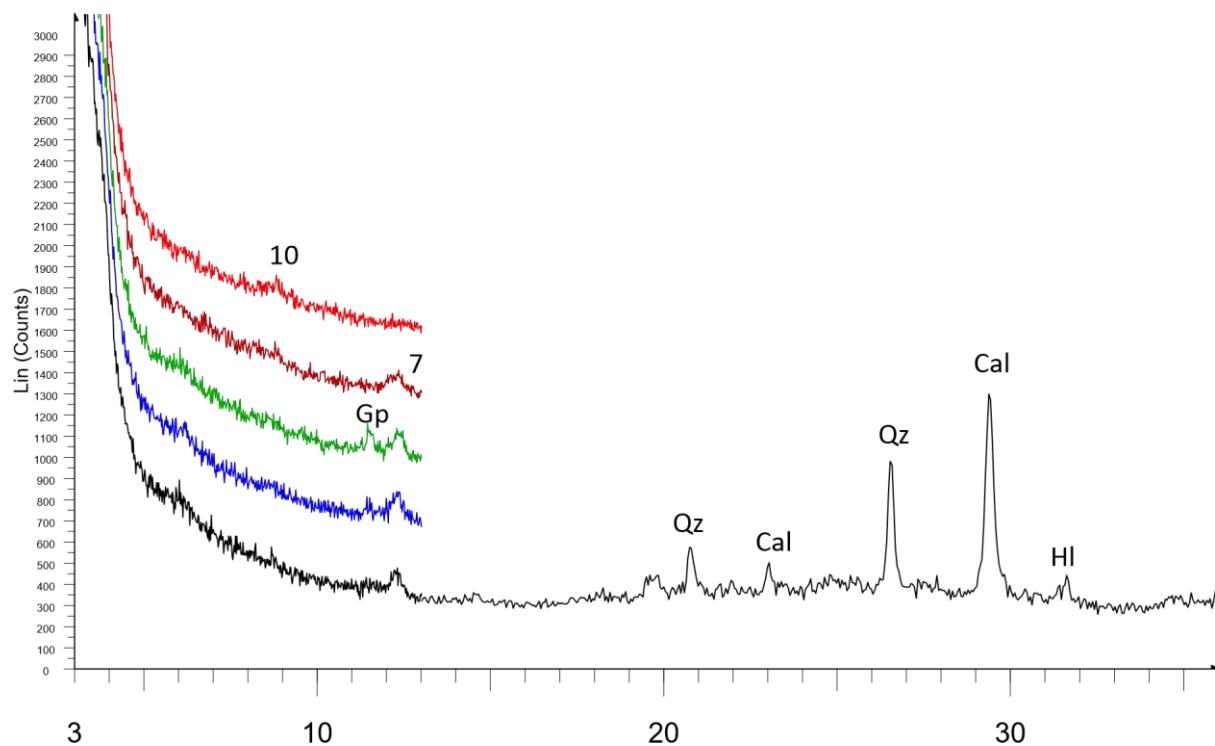


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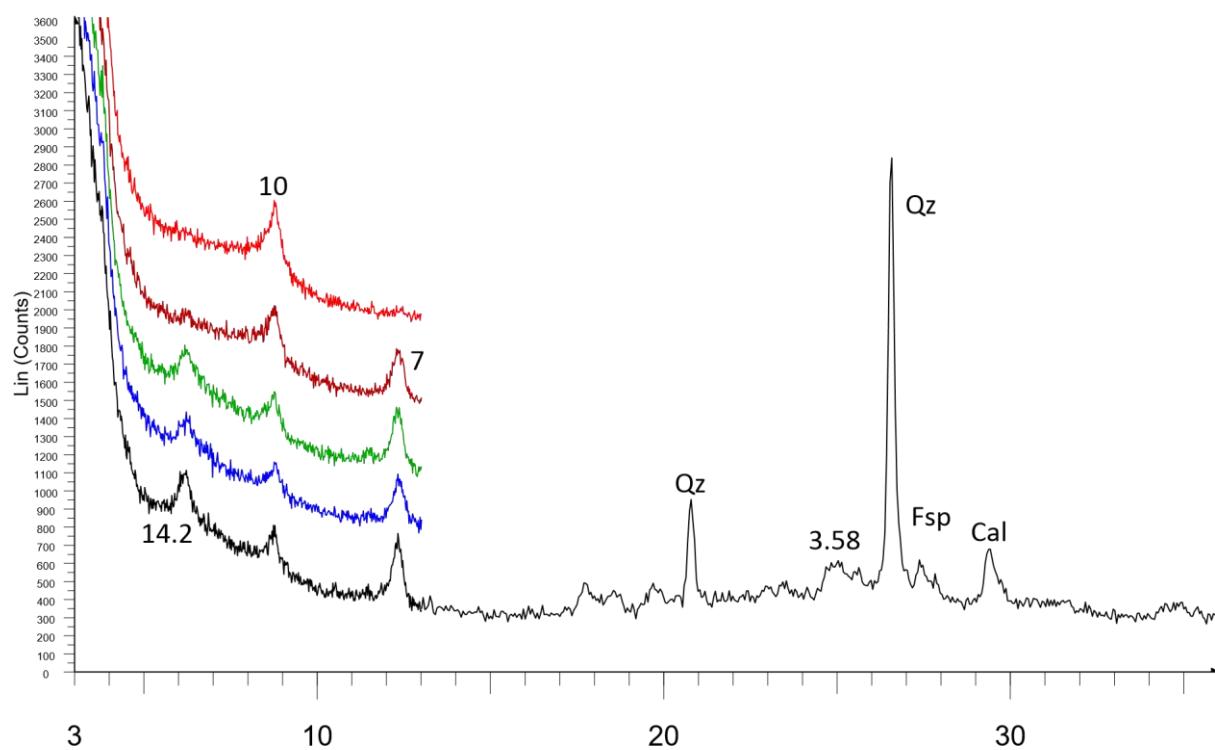


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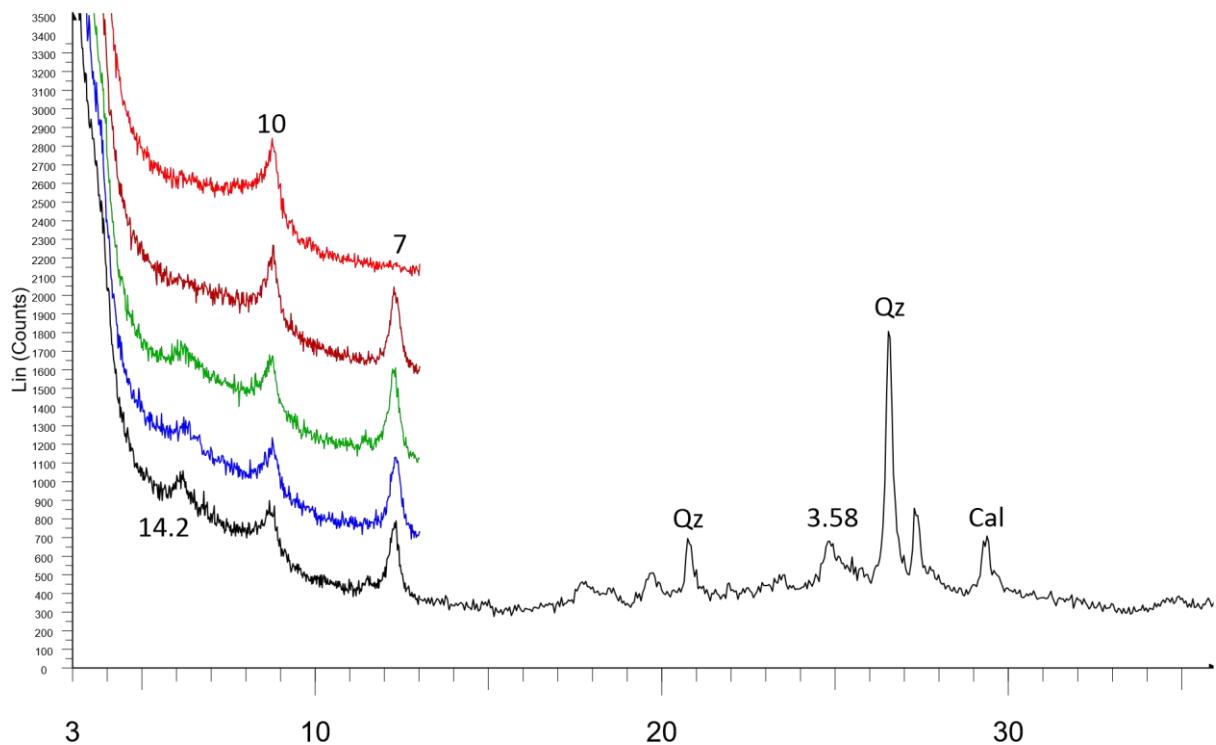
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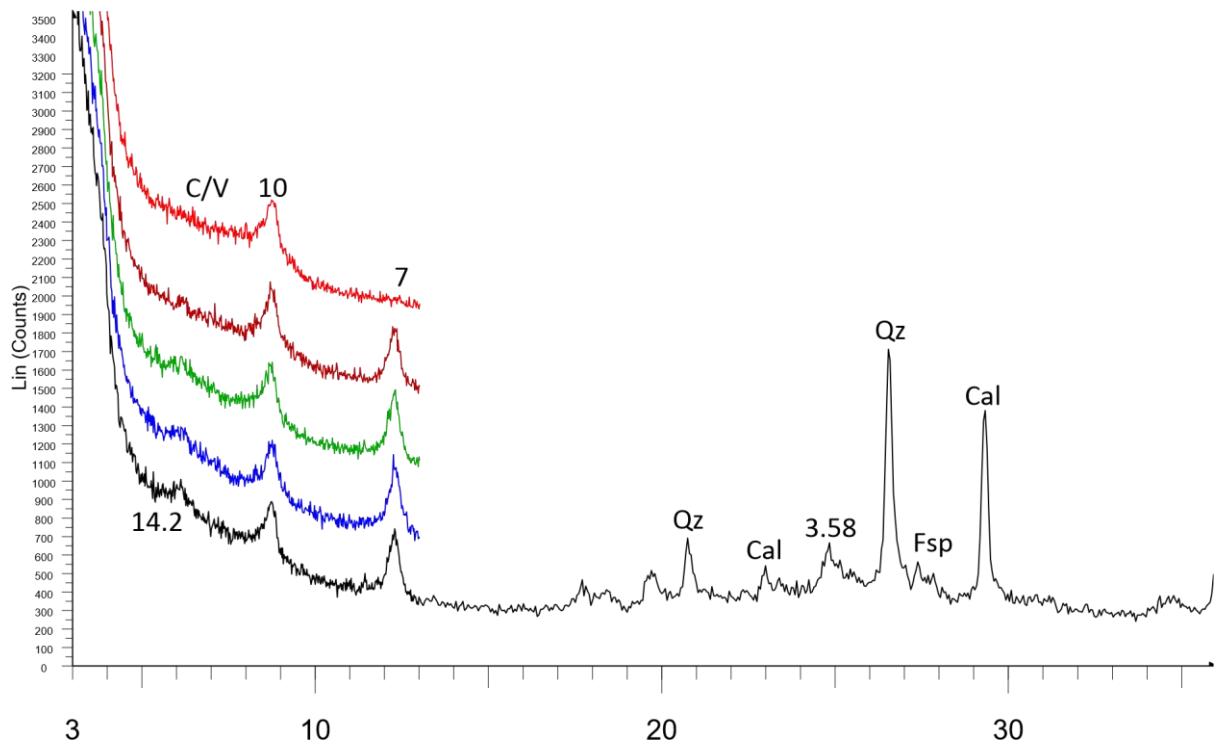
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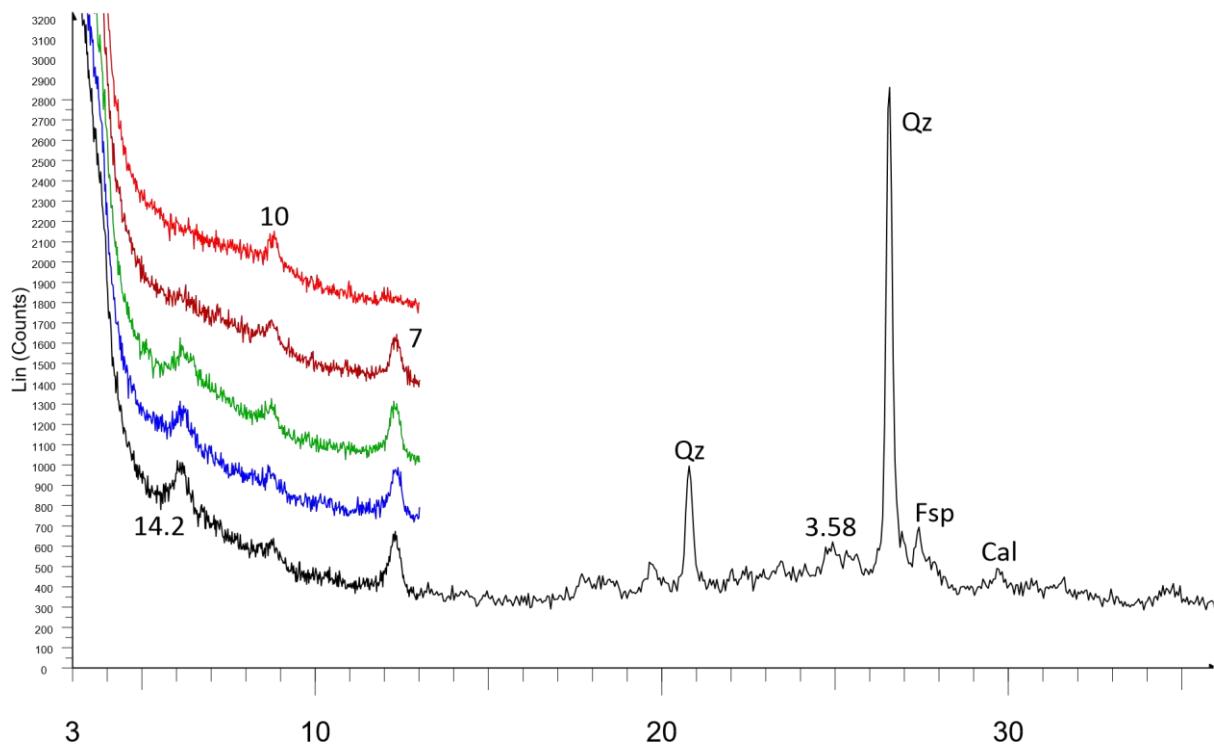
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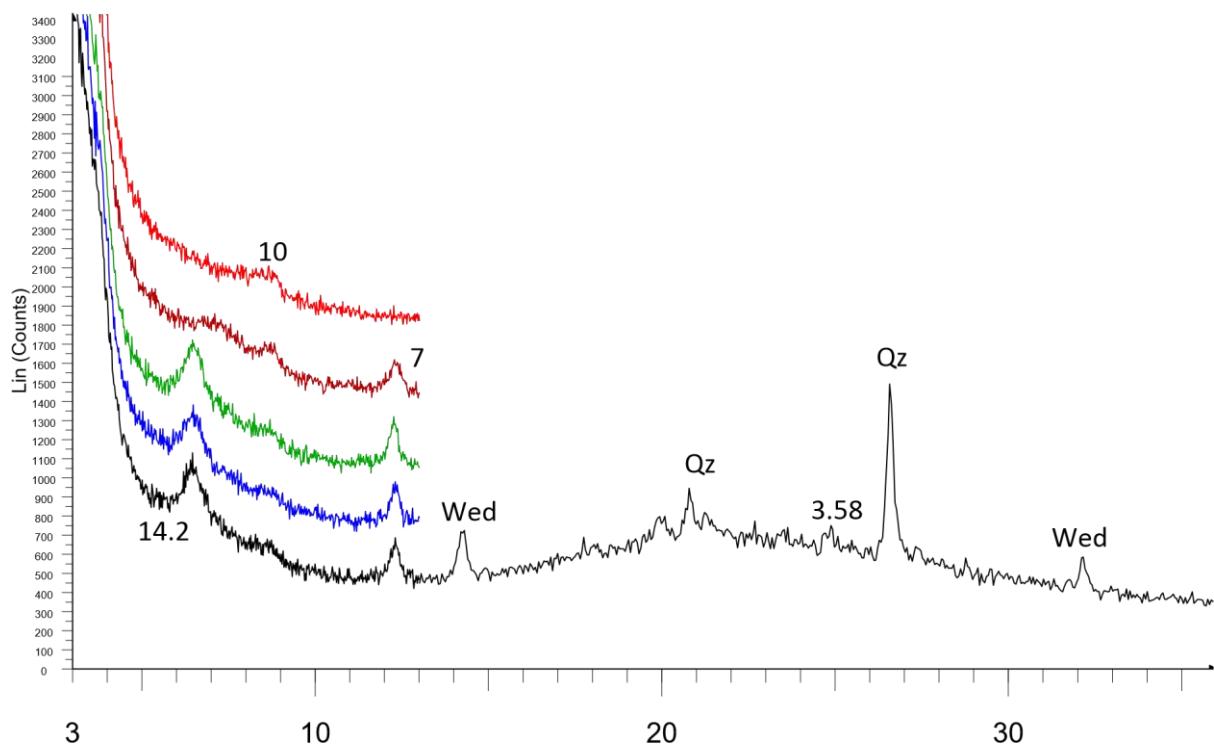
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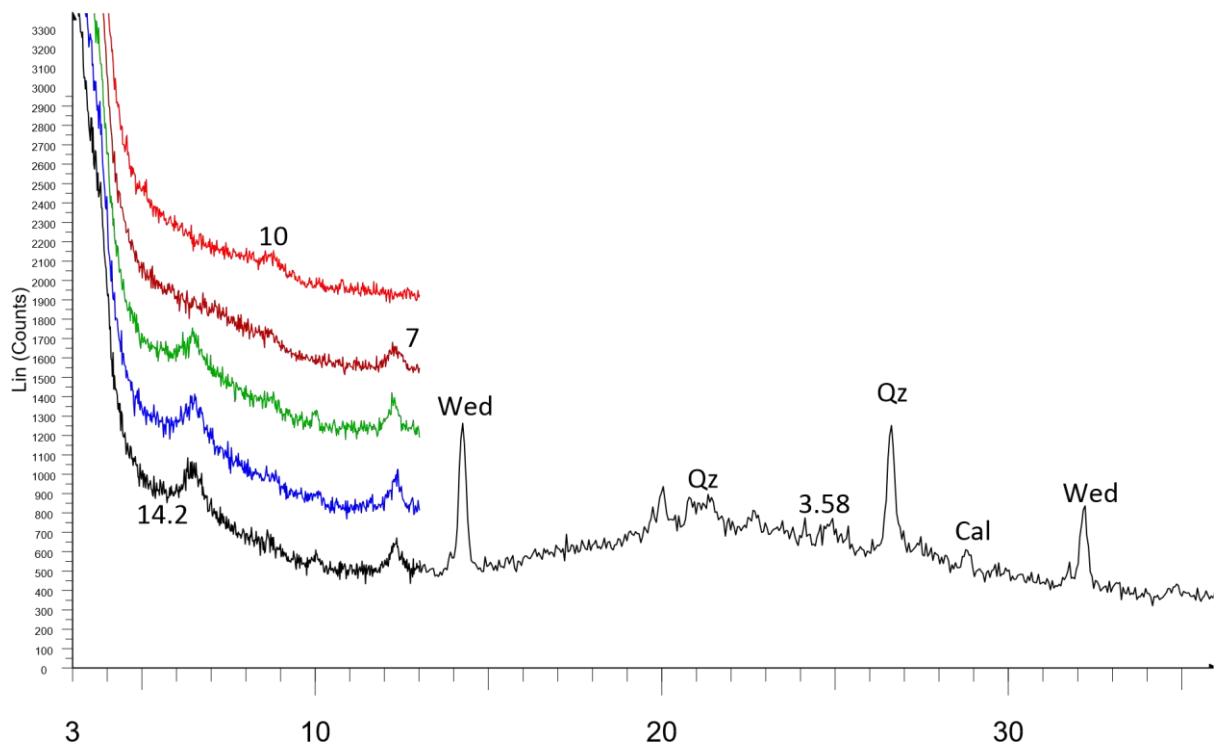
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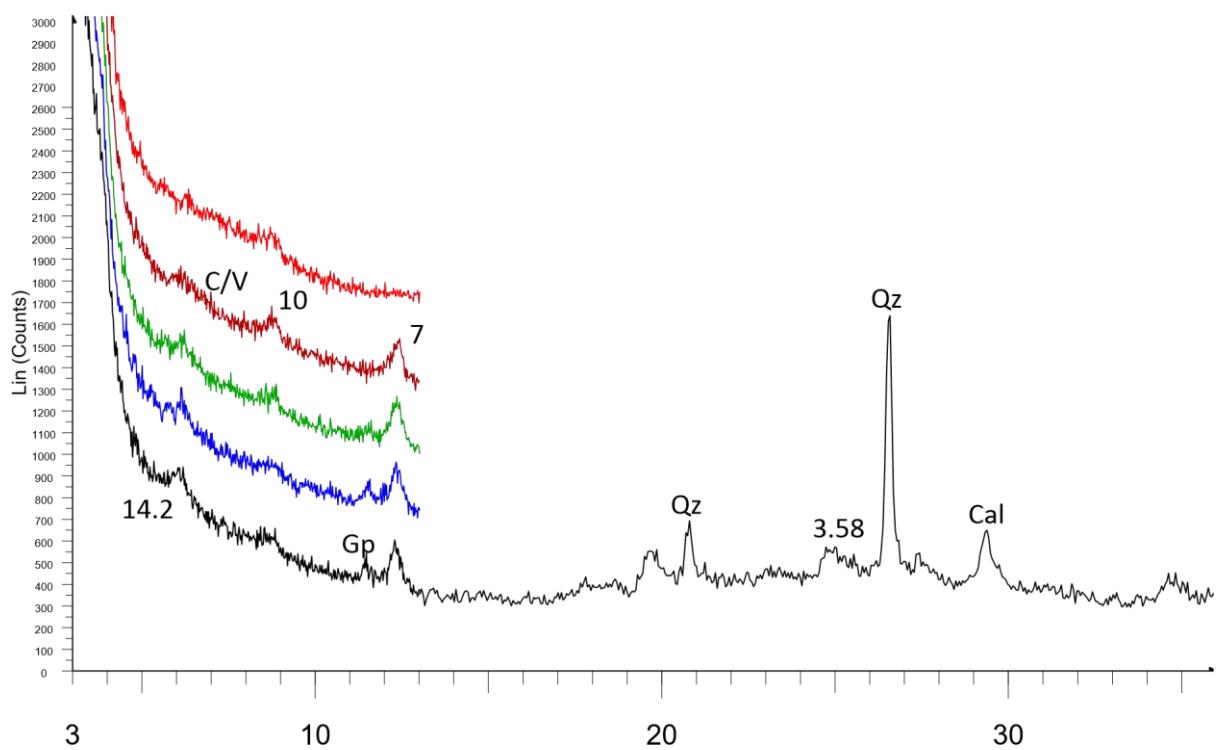
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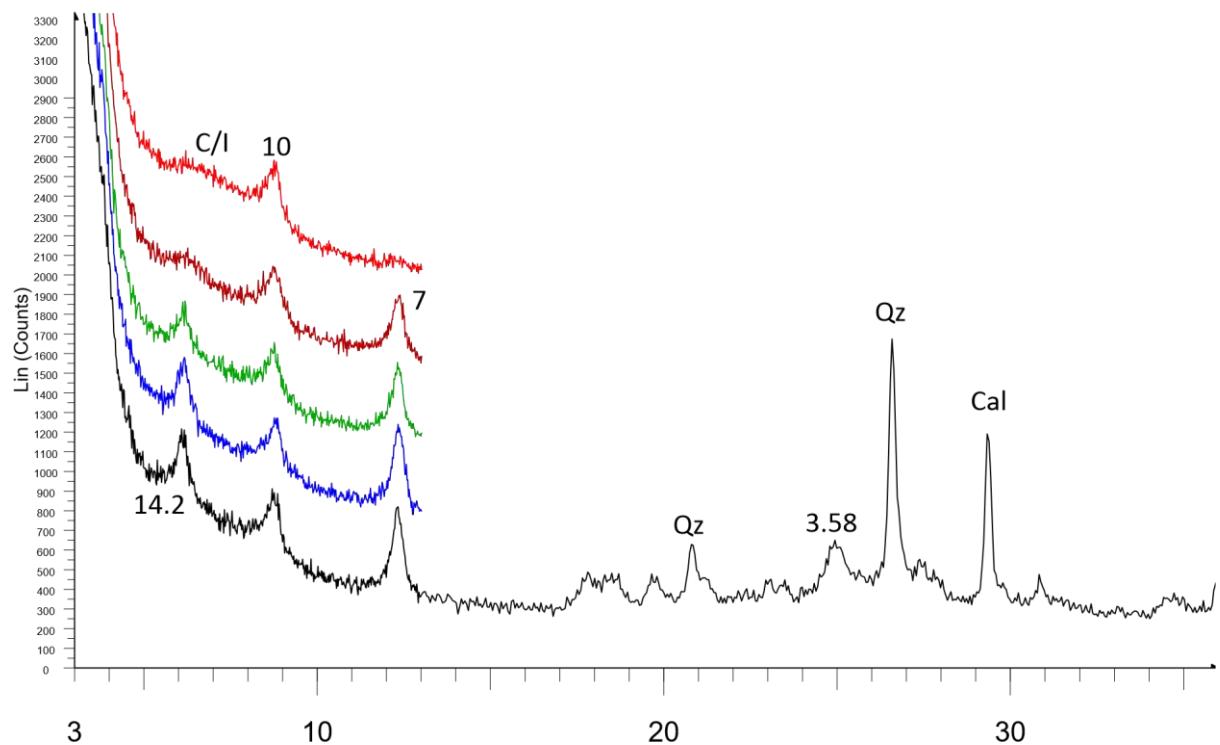
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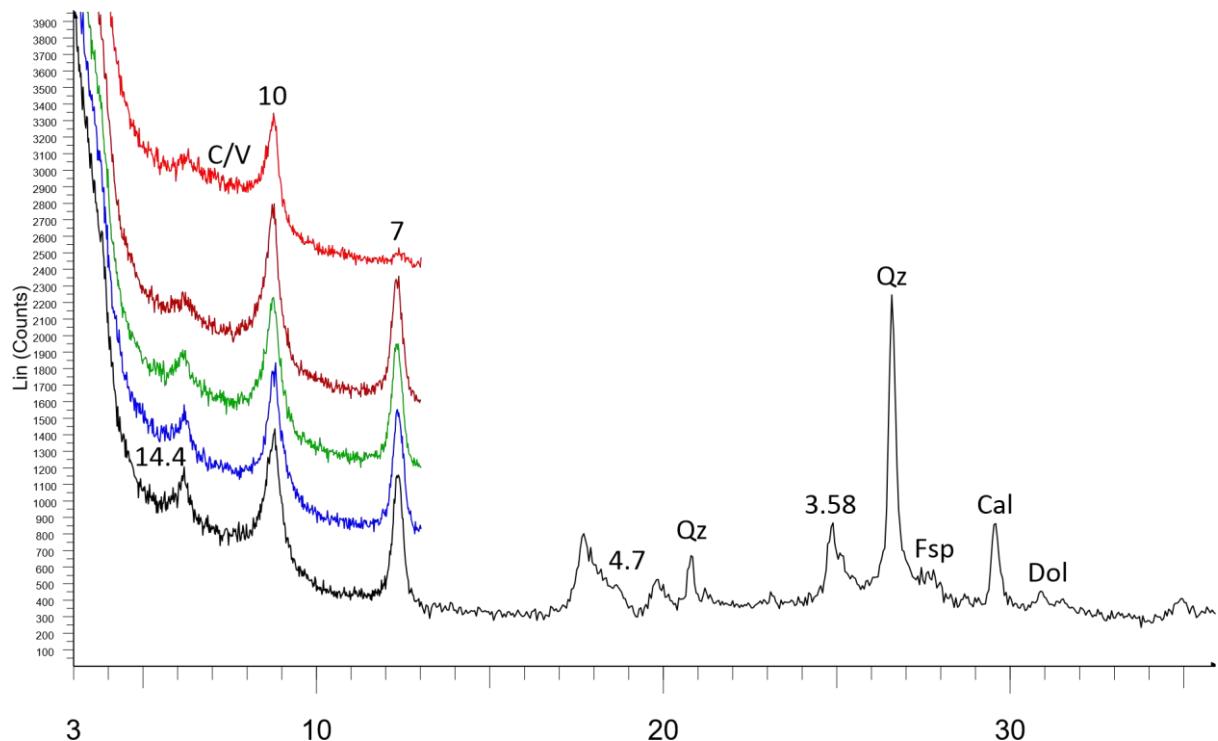


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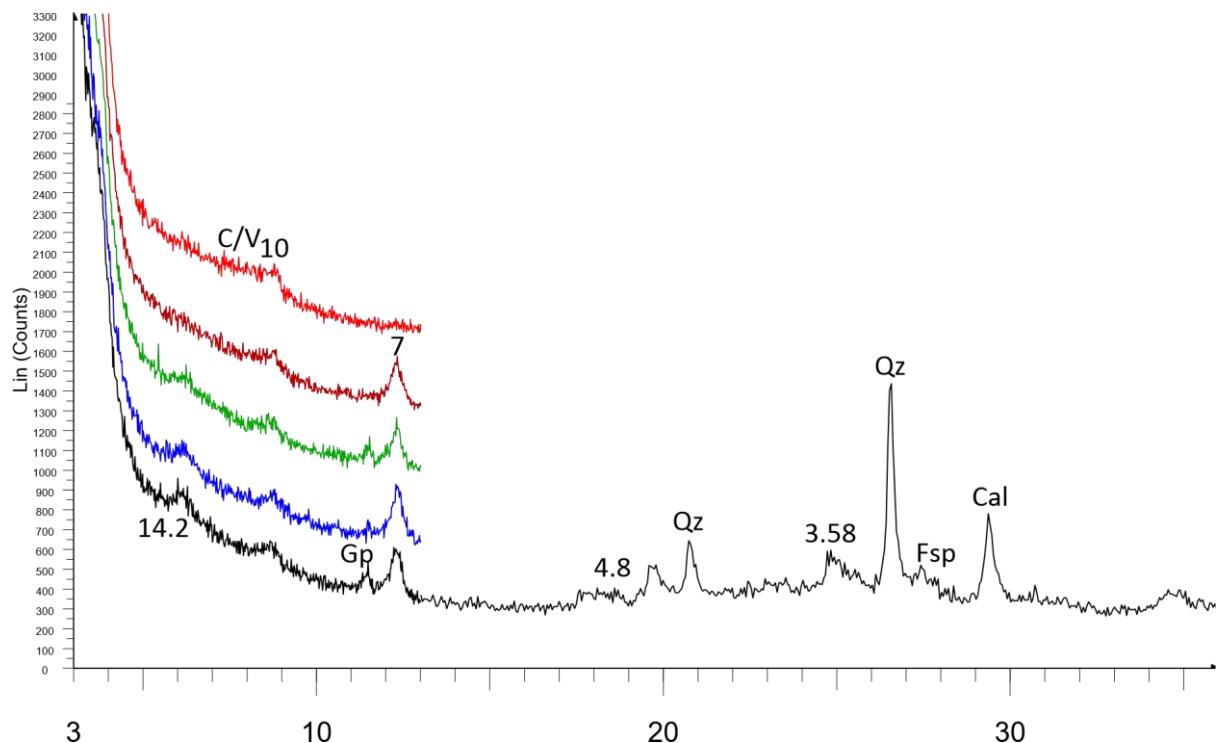
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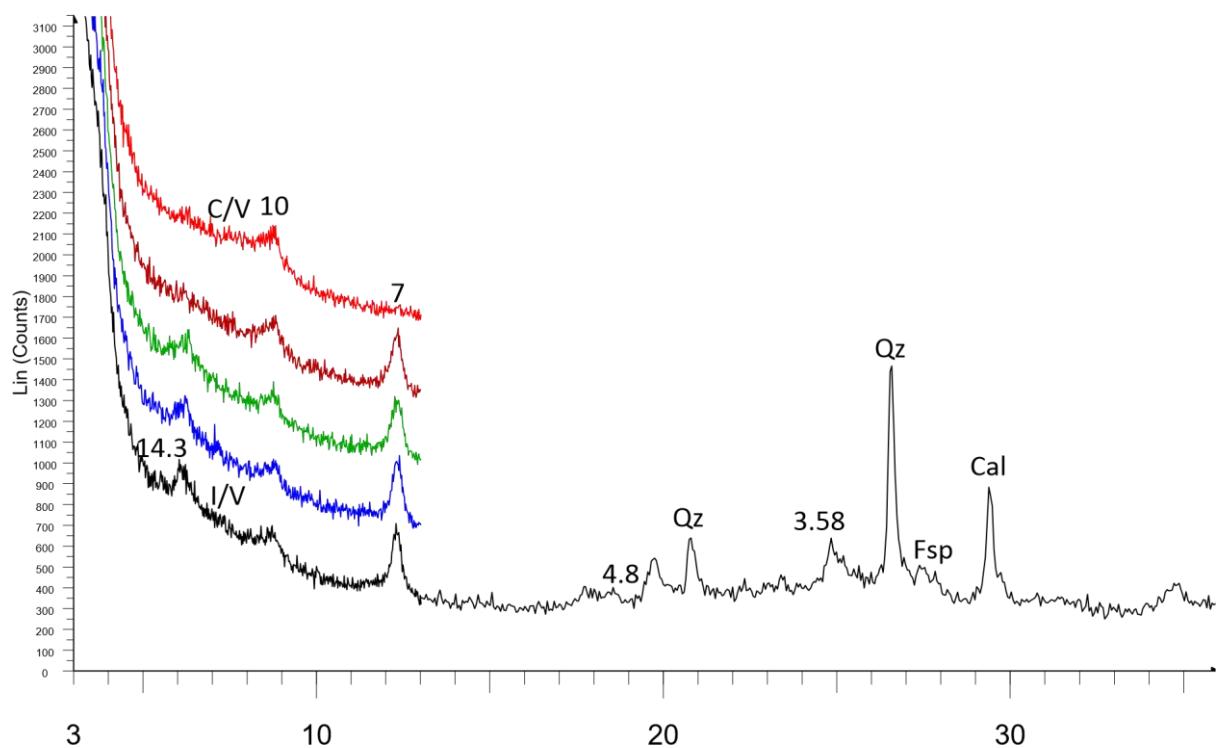


## Annex 11. RX Diffractograms from Estonia

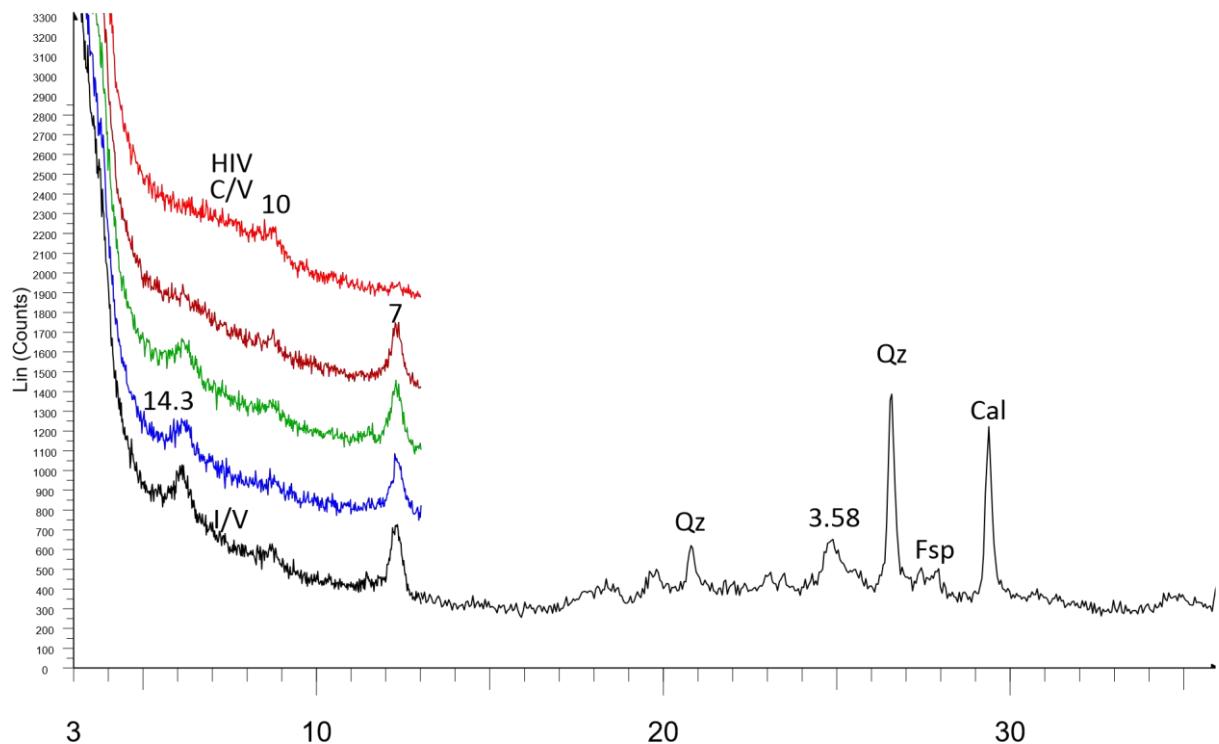
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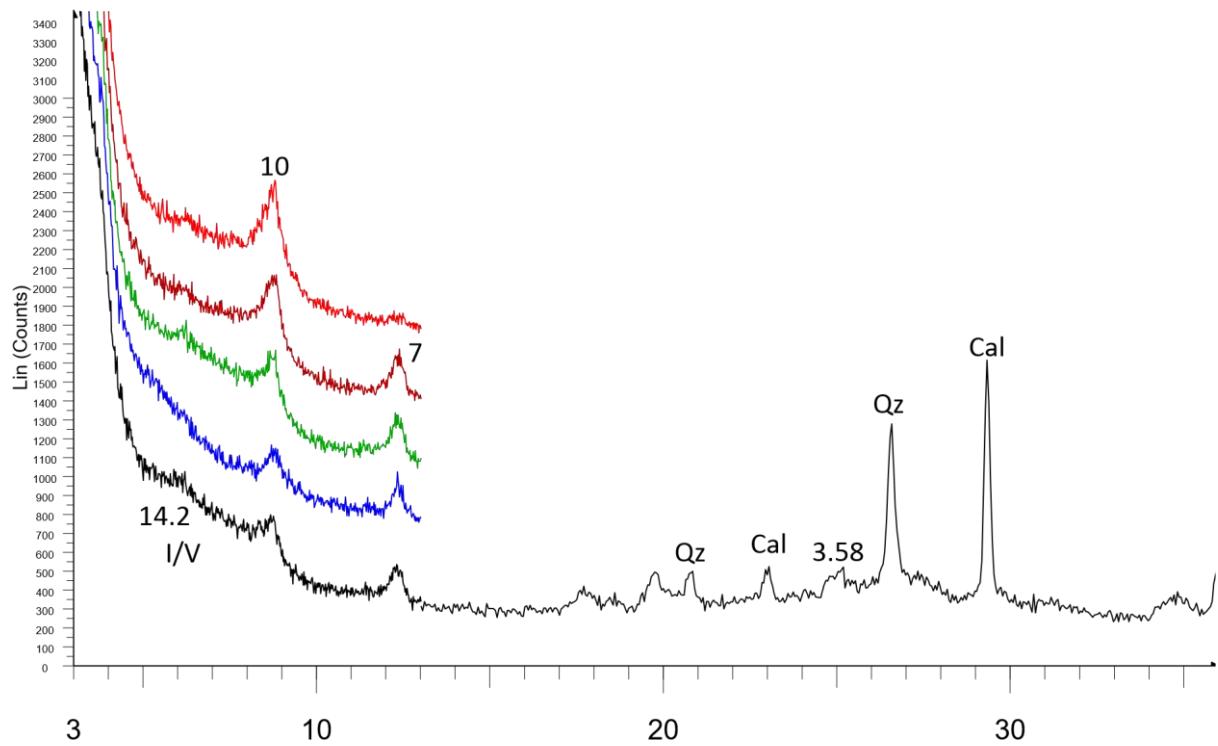


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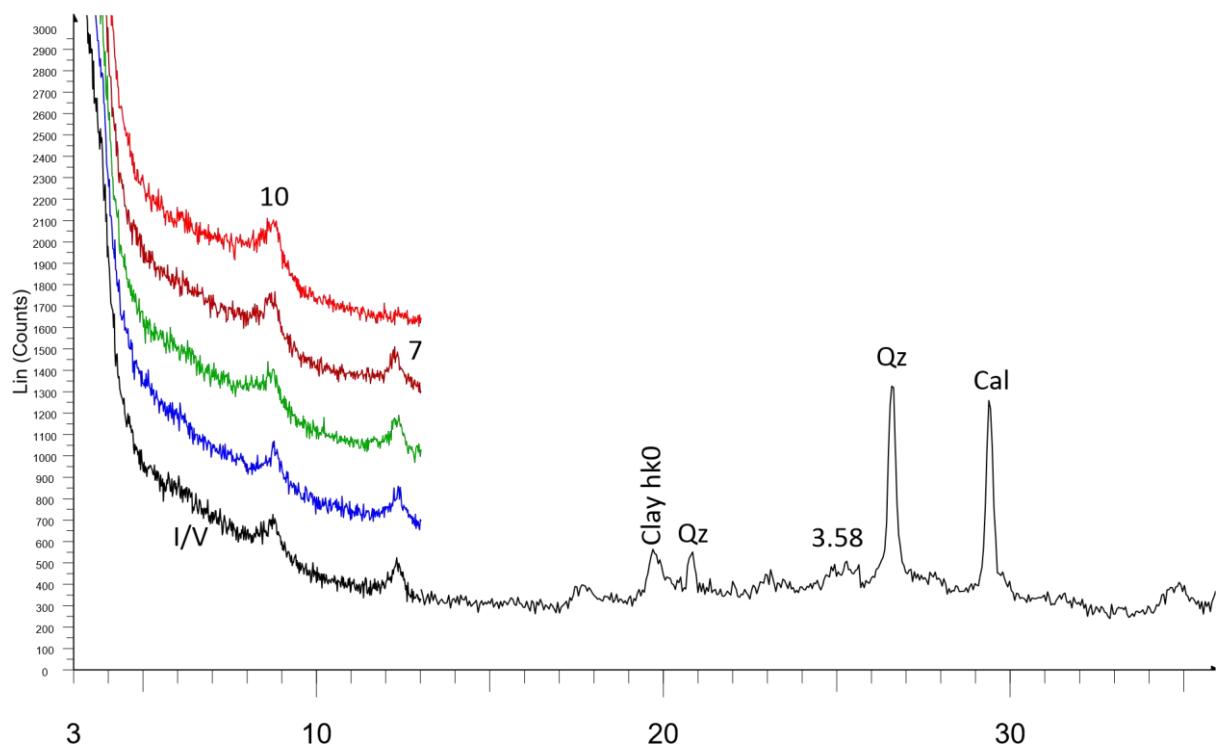


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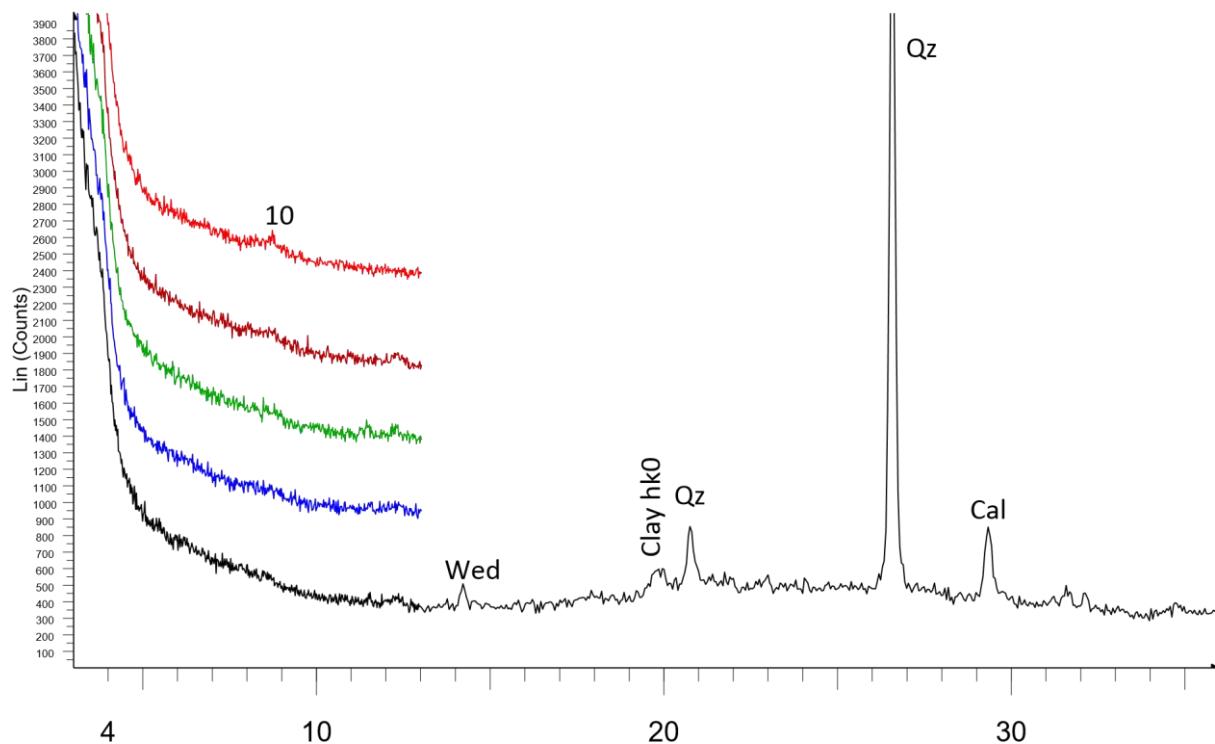
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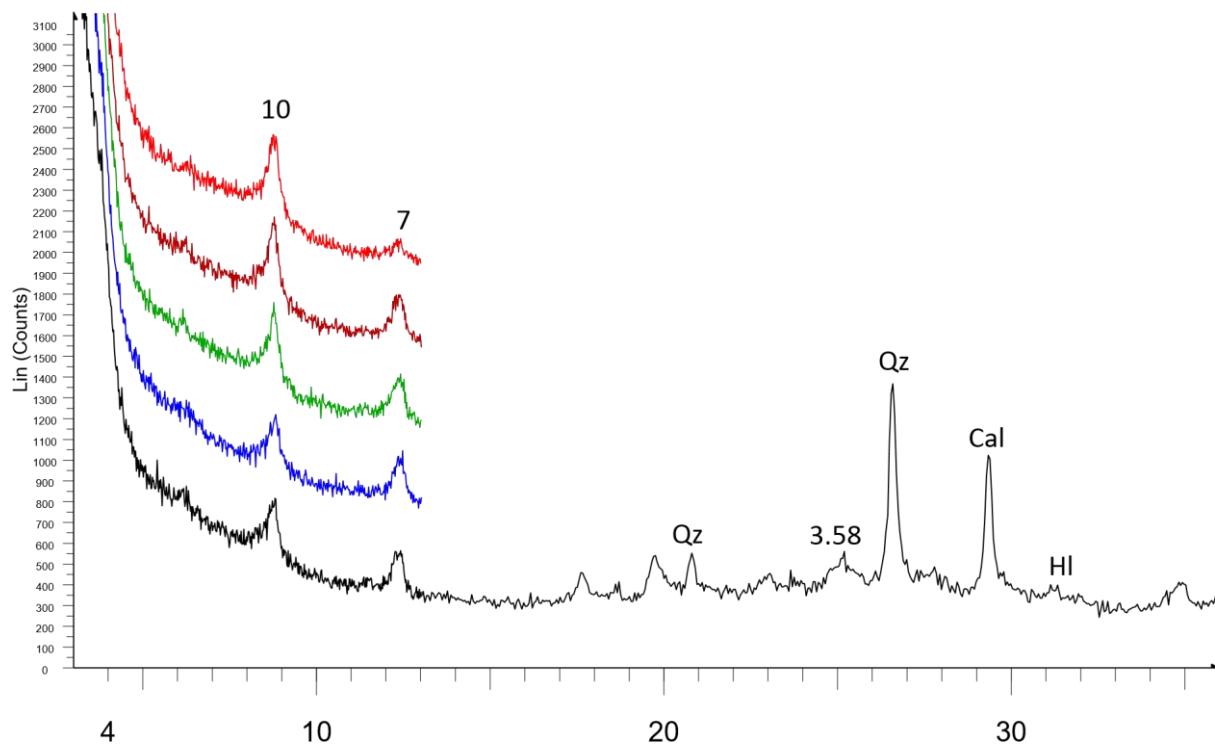
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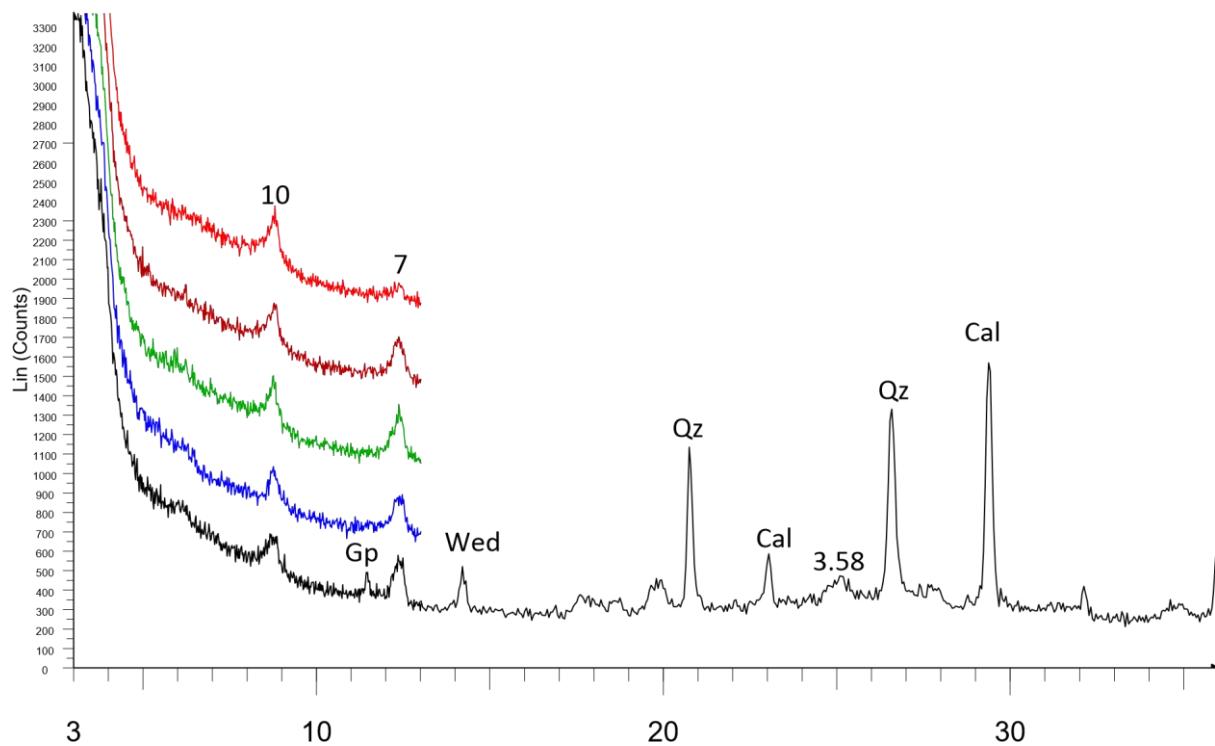
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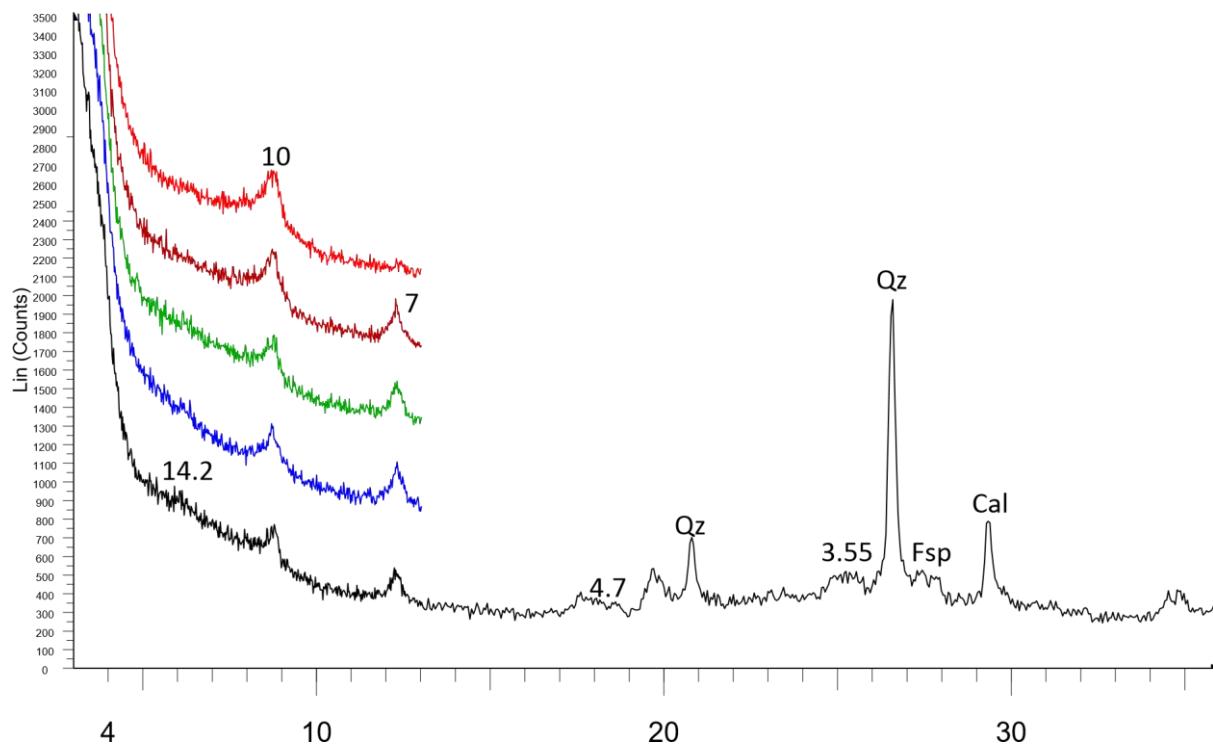


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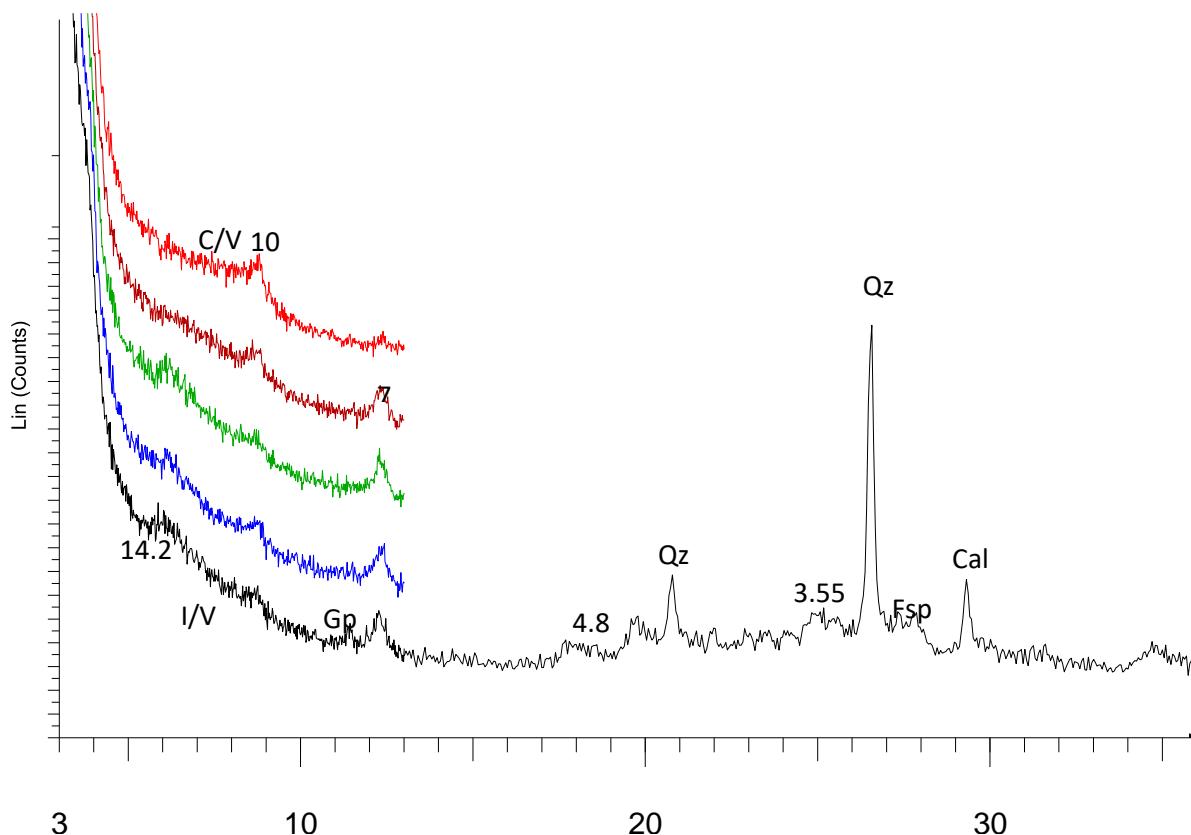


**Annex 13. RX Diffractograms from Denmark**

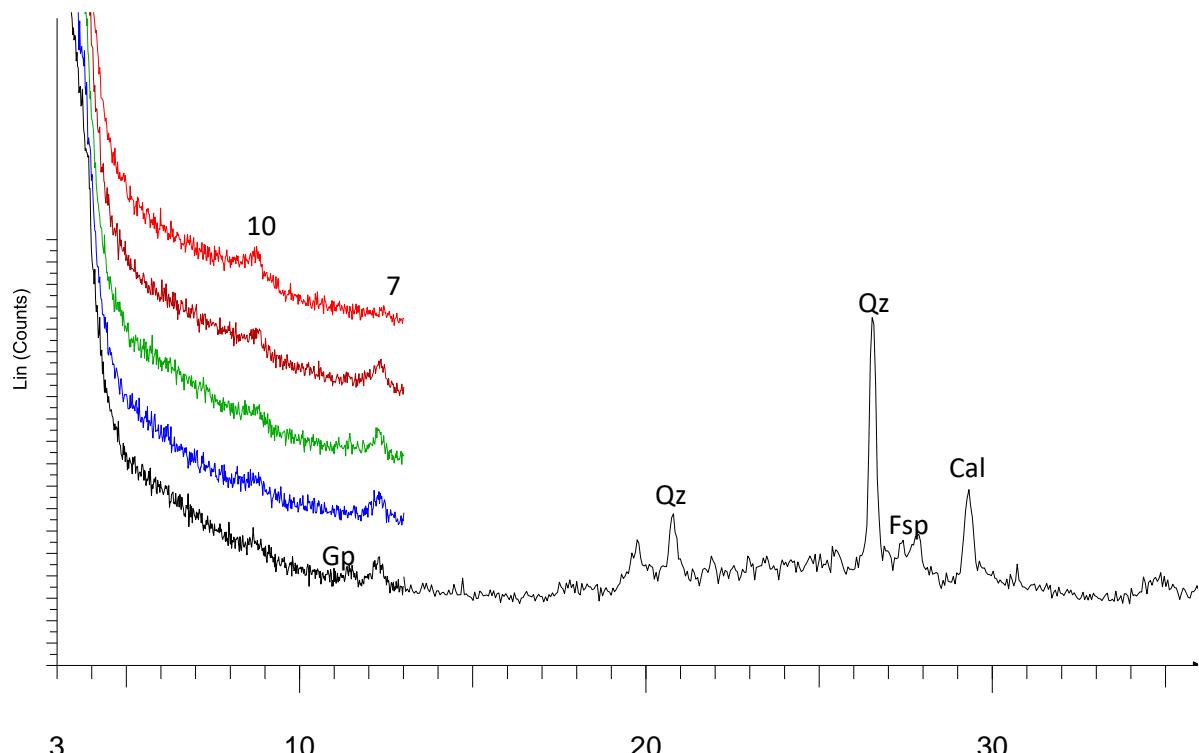
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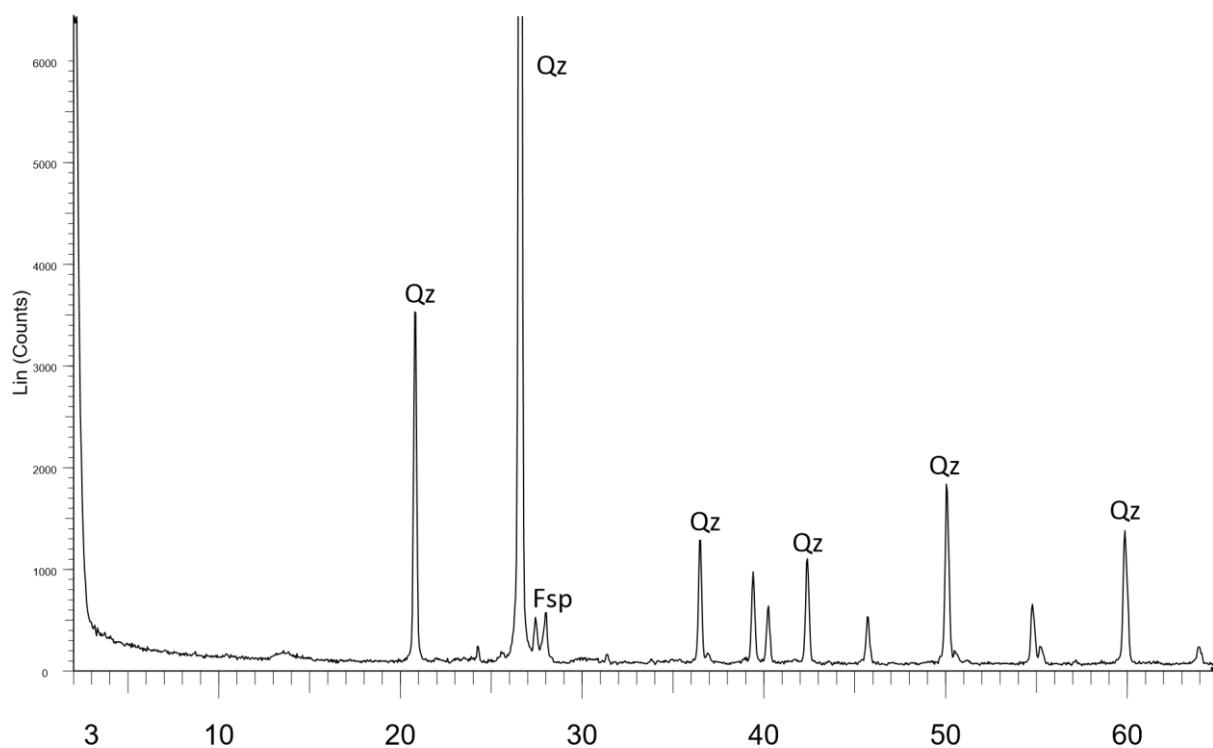
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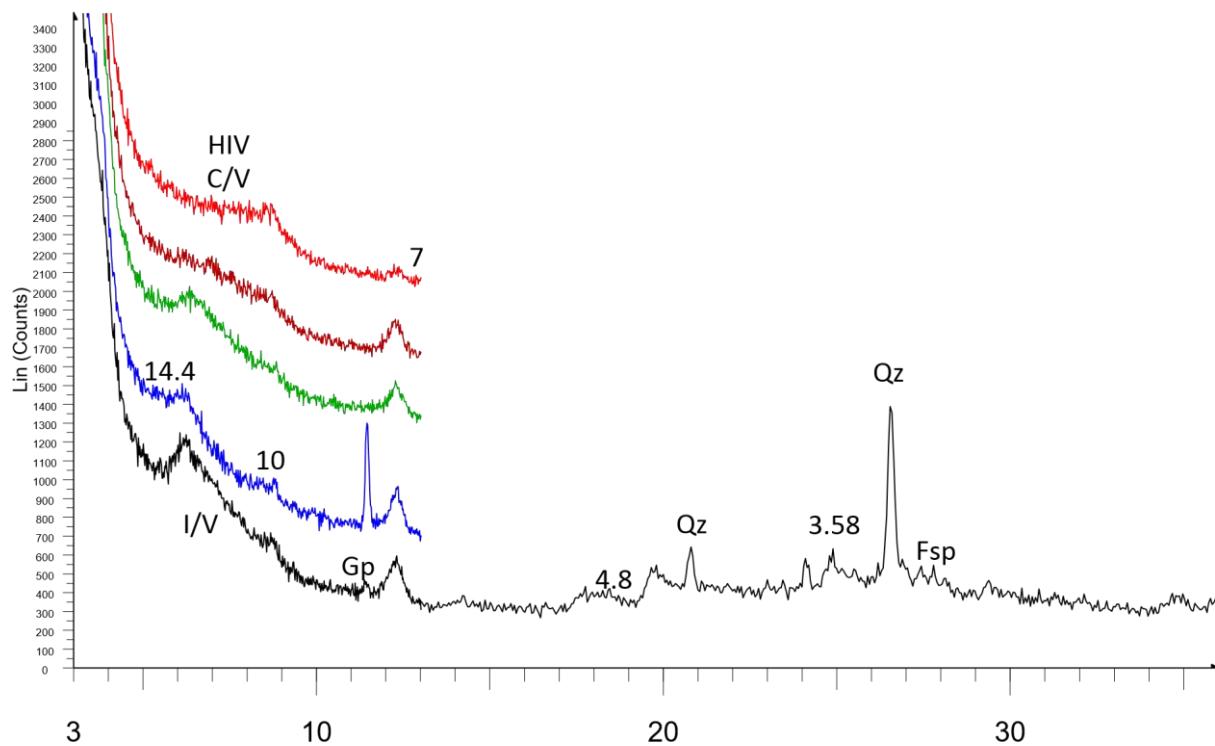
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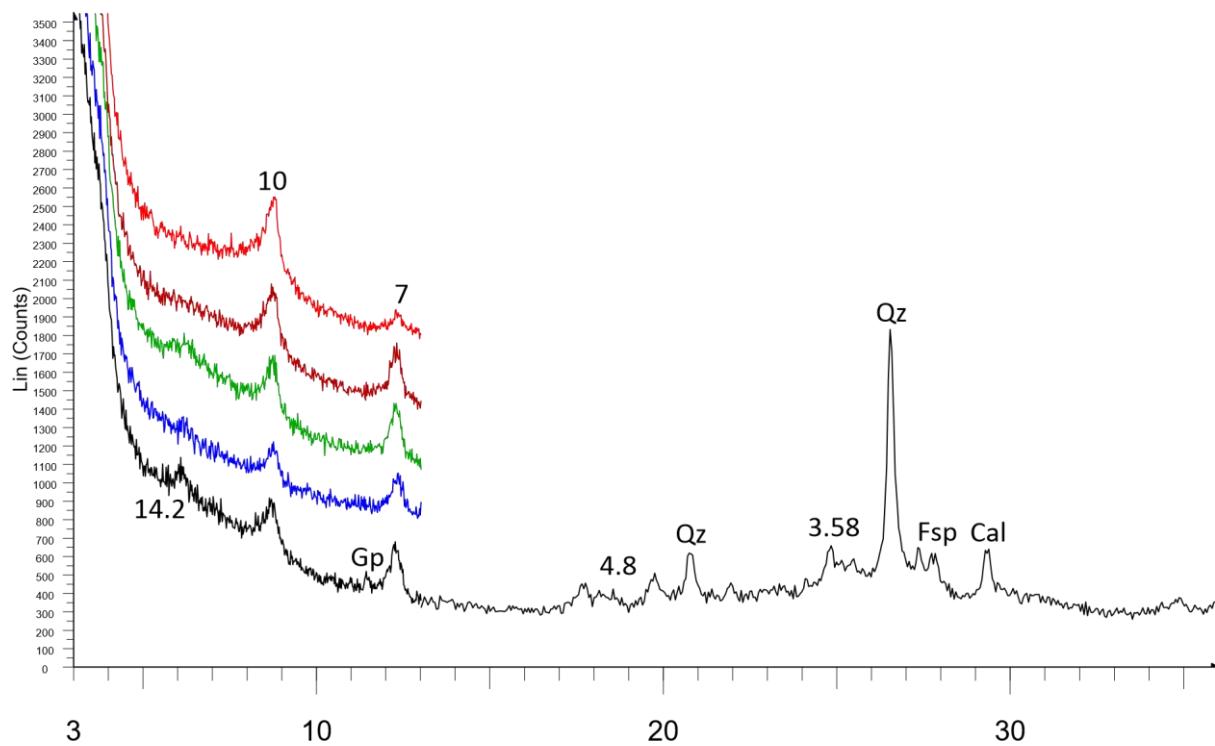
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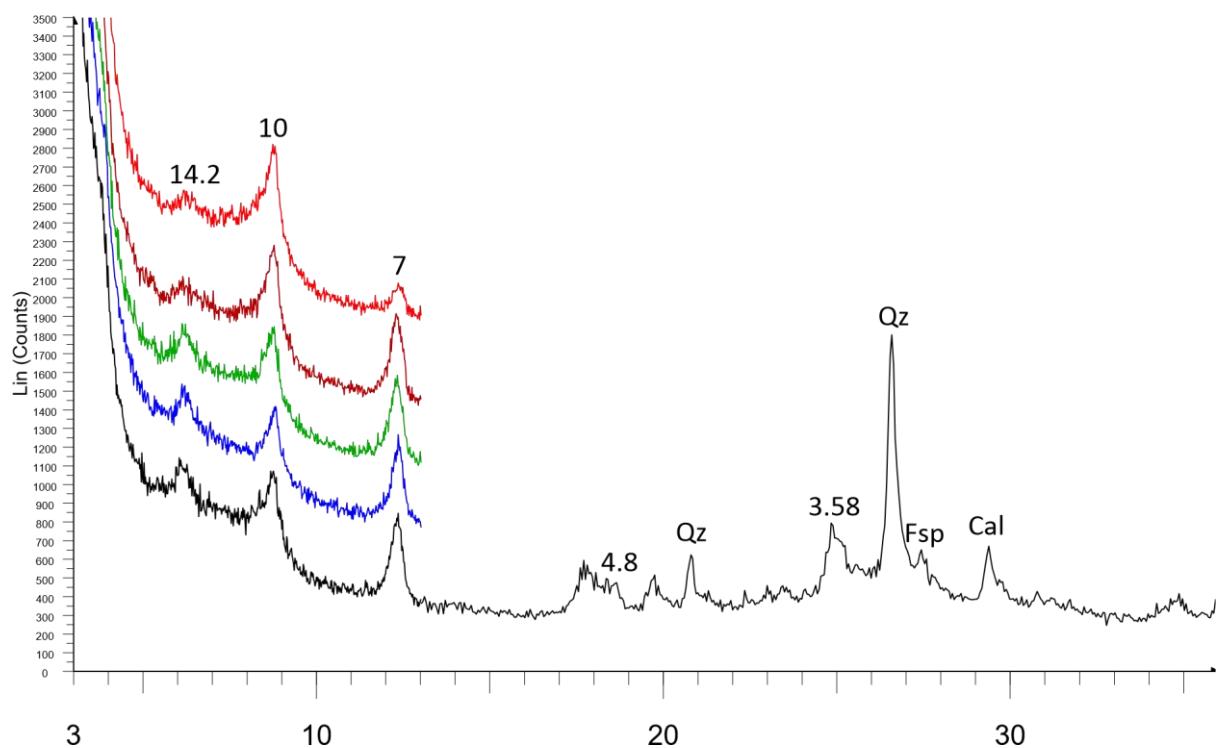


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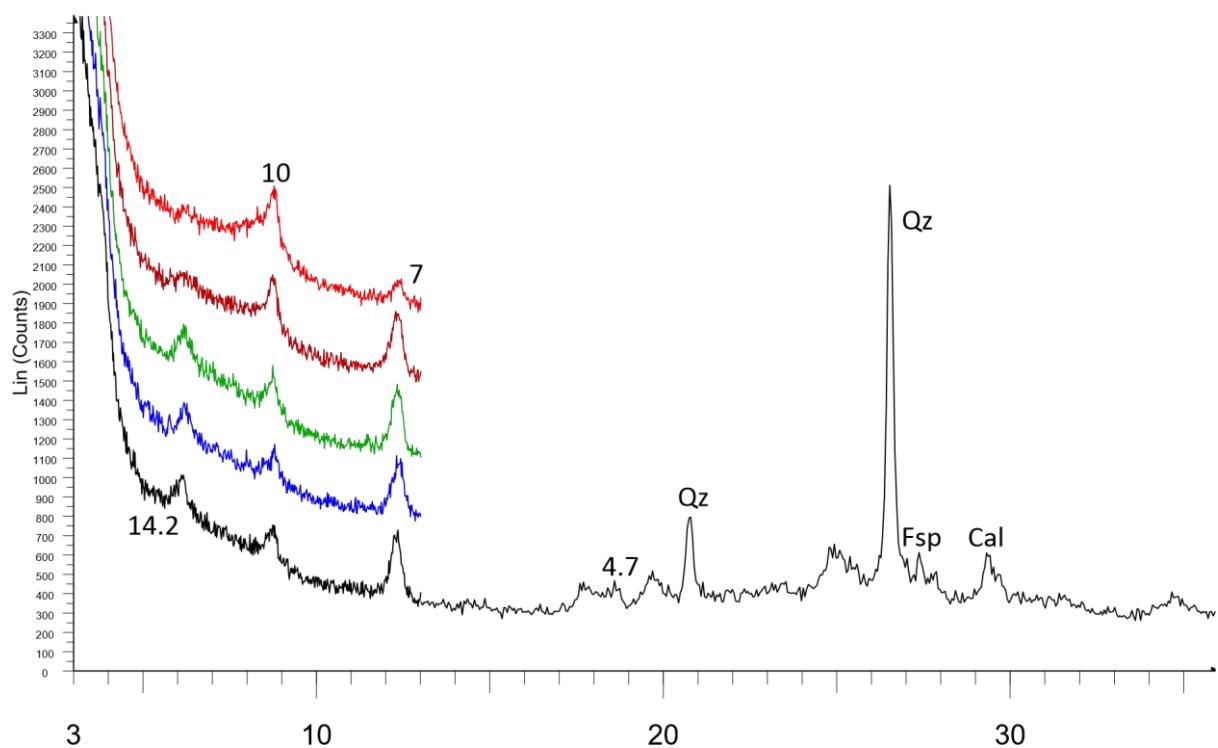


**Annex 14. RX Diffractograms from Latvia**

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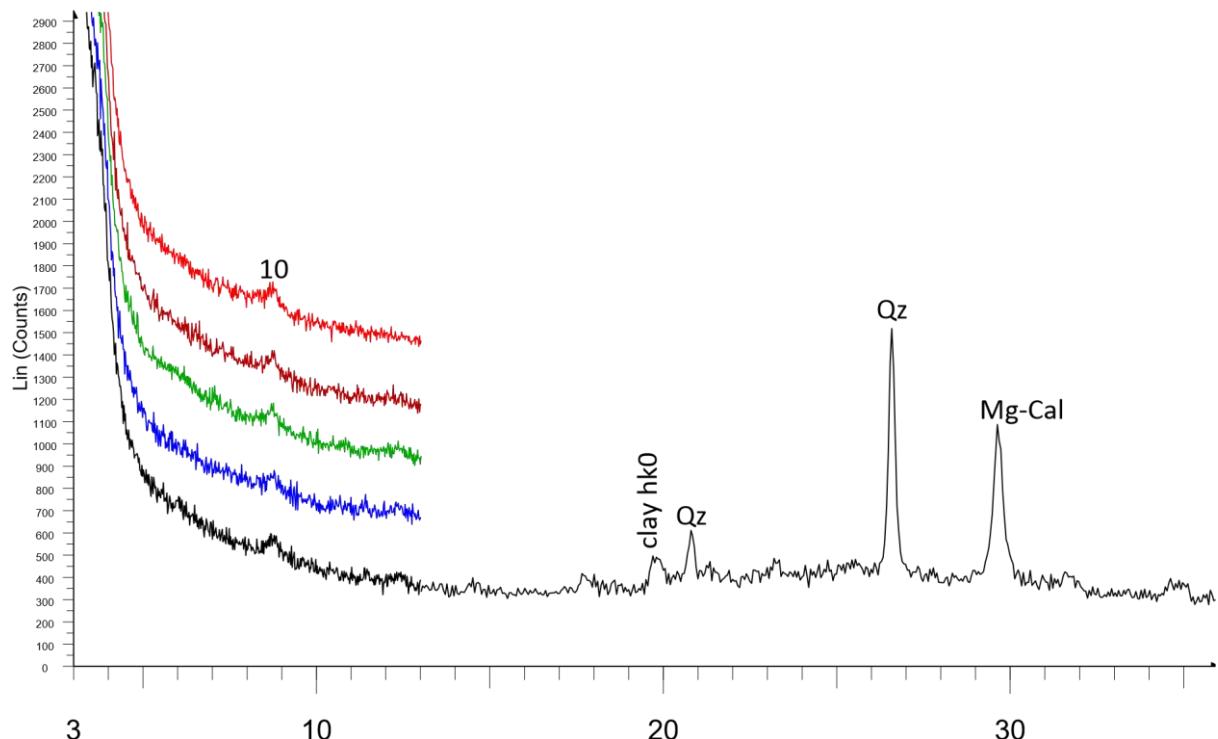


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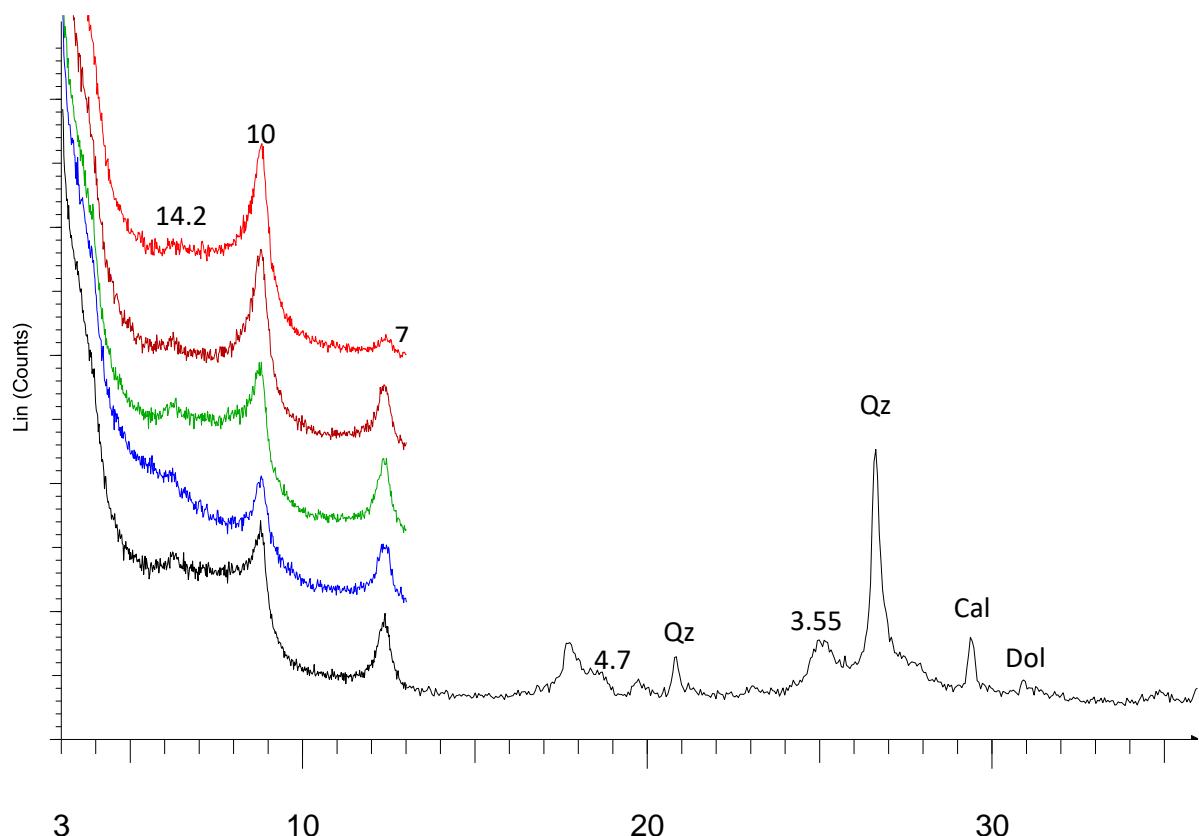
**Annex 15. RX Diffractograms from Ireland**

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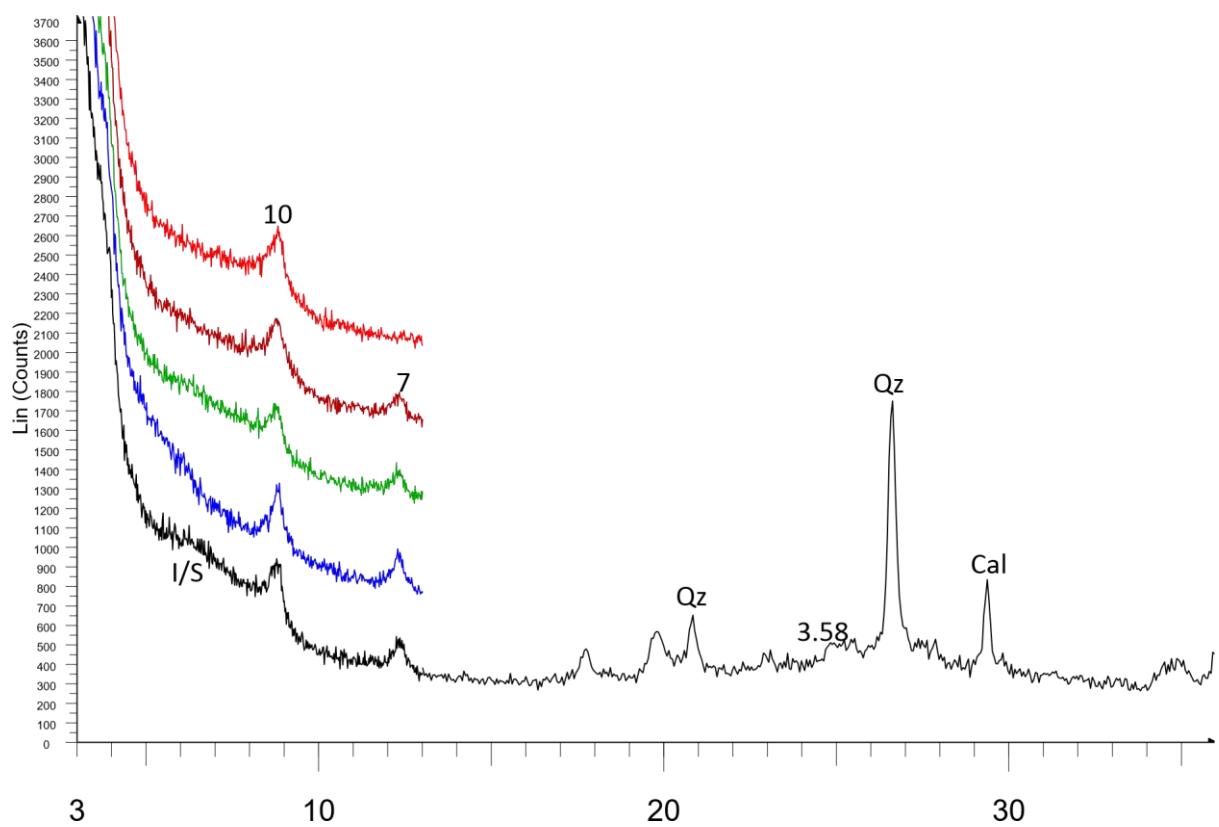


**Annex 16. RX Diffractograms from Slovakia**

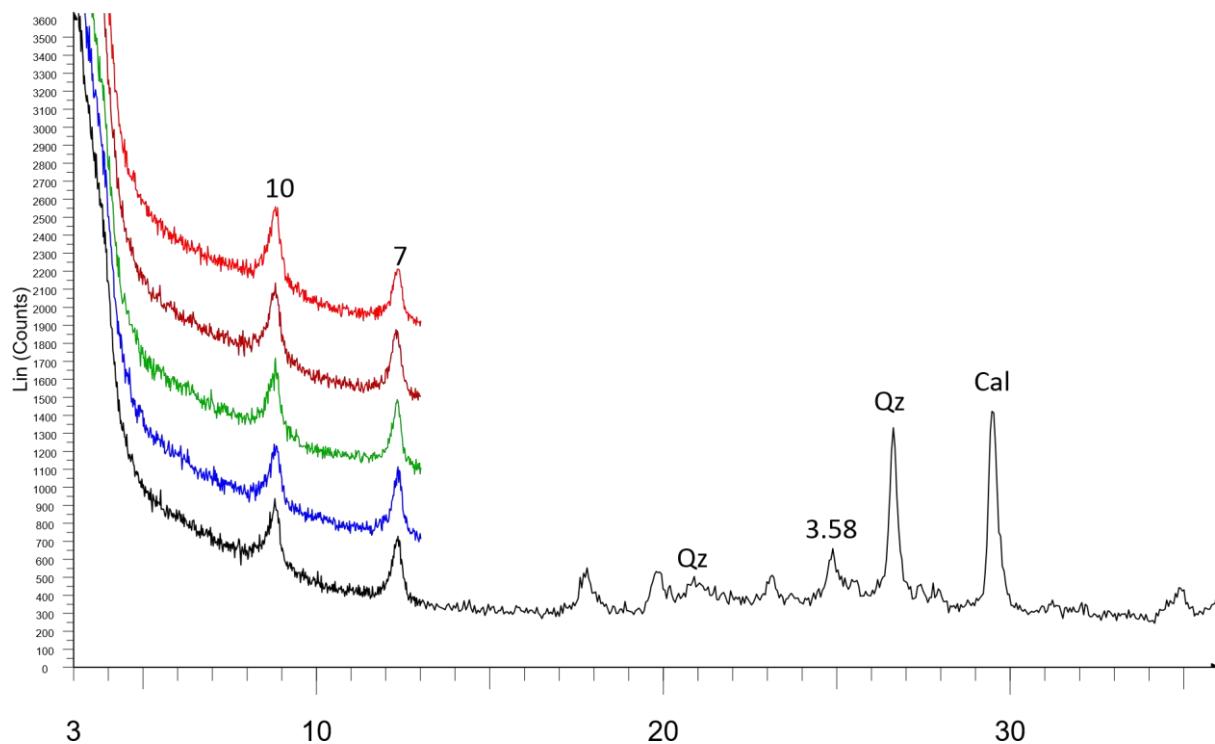
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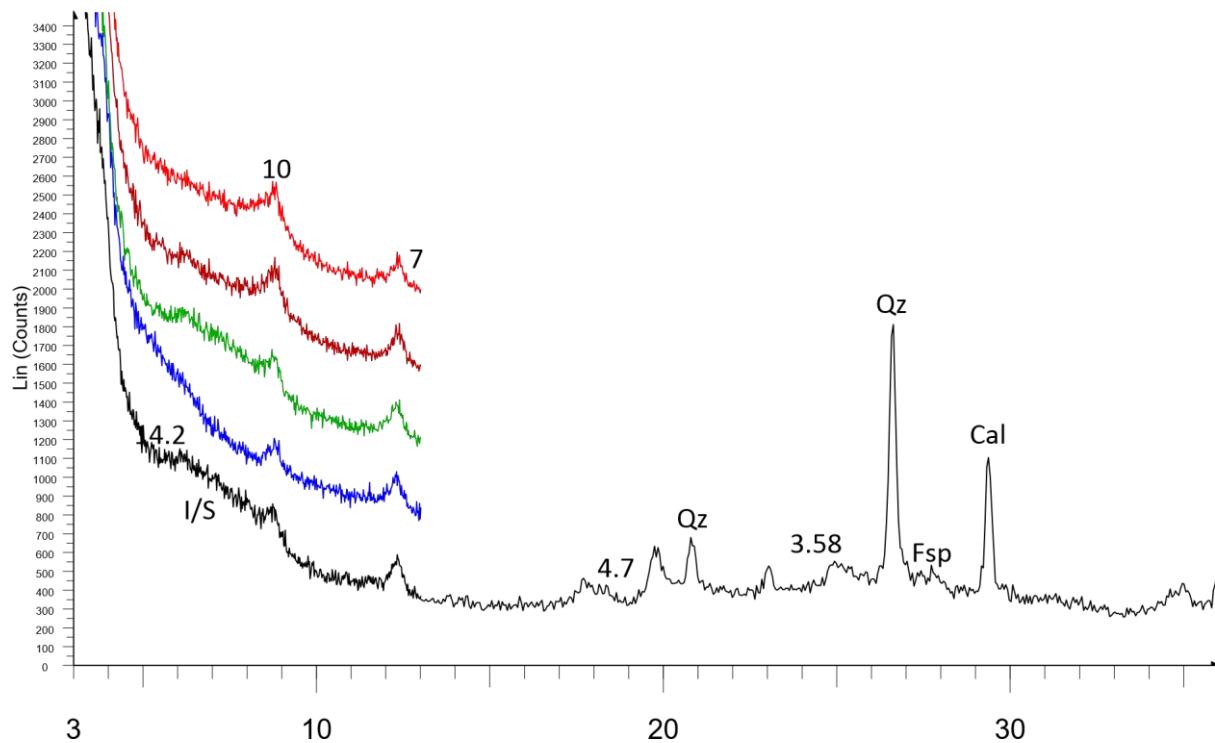
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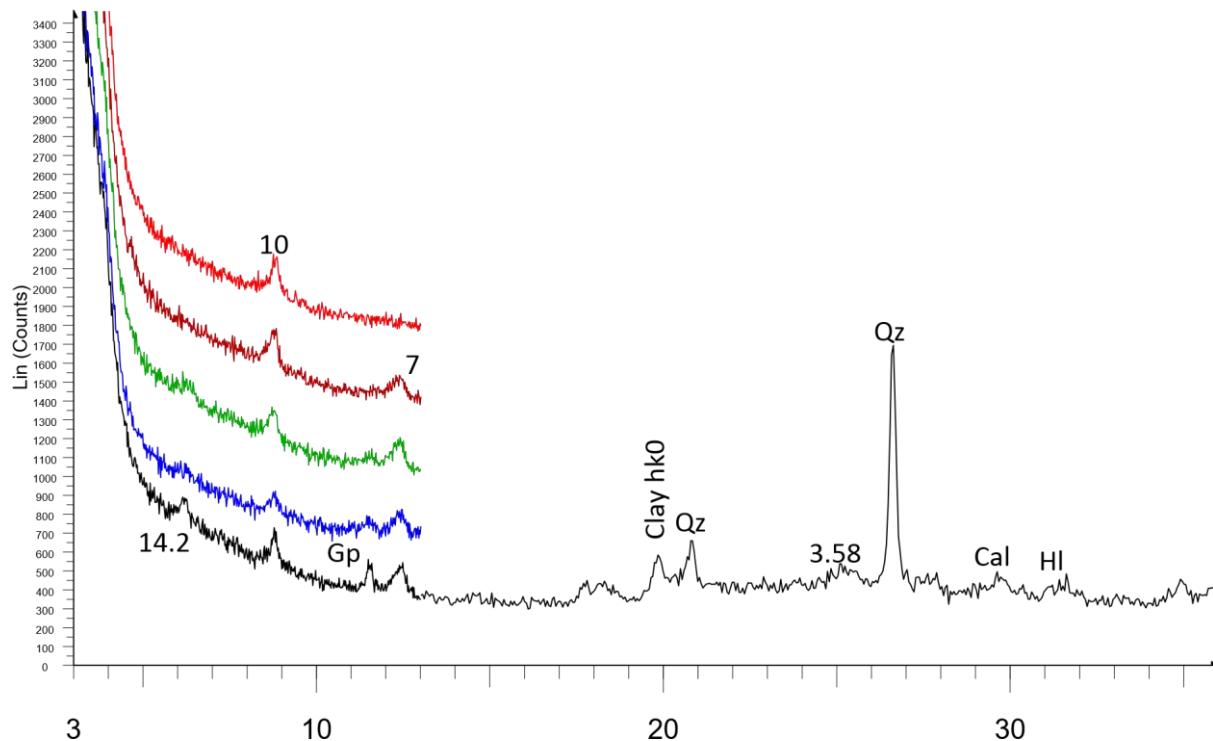


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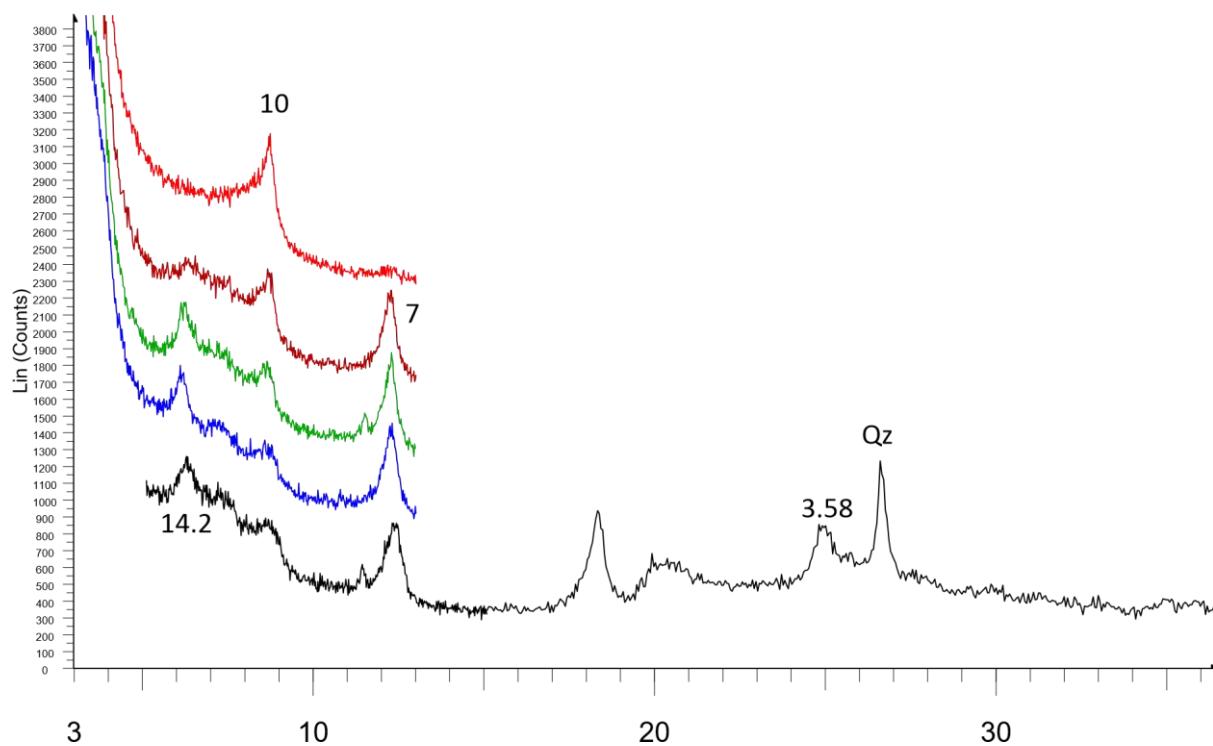


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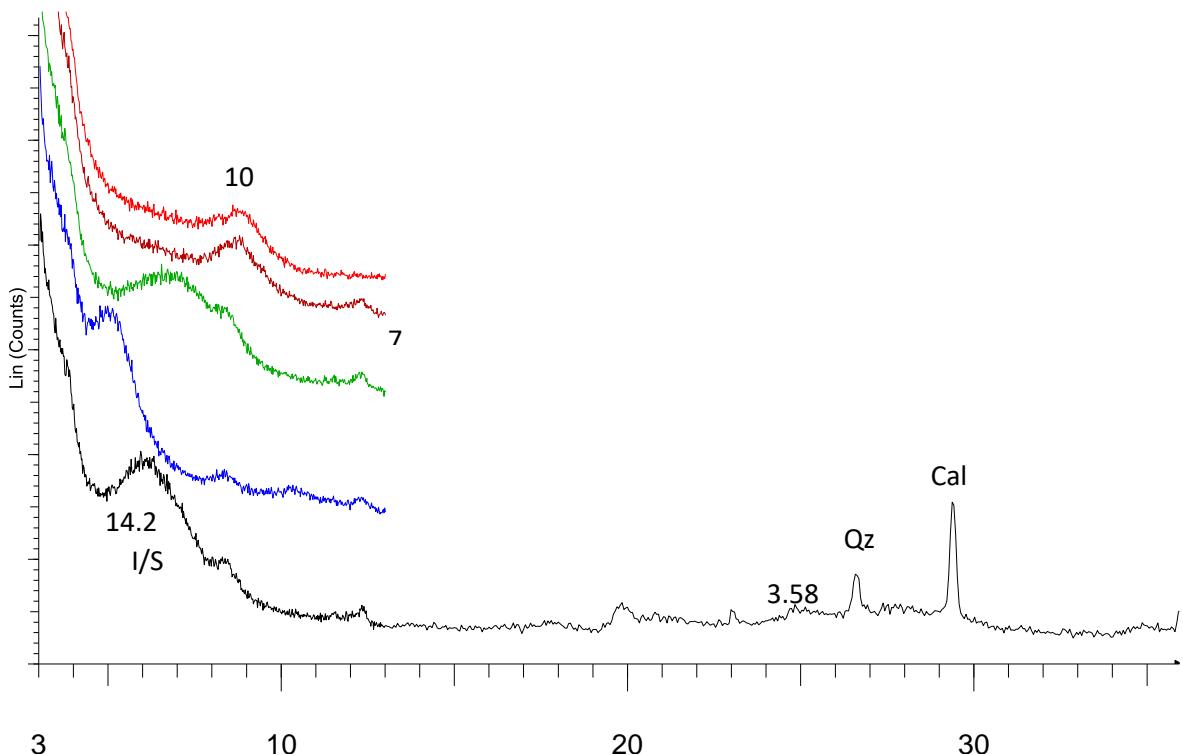
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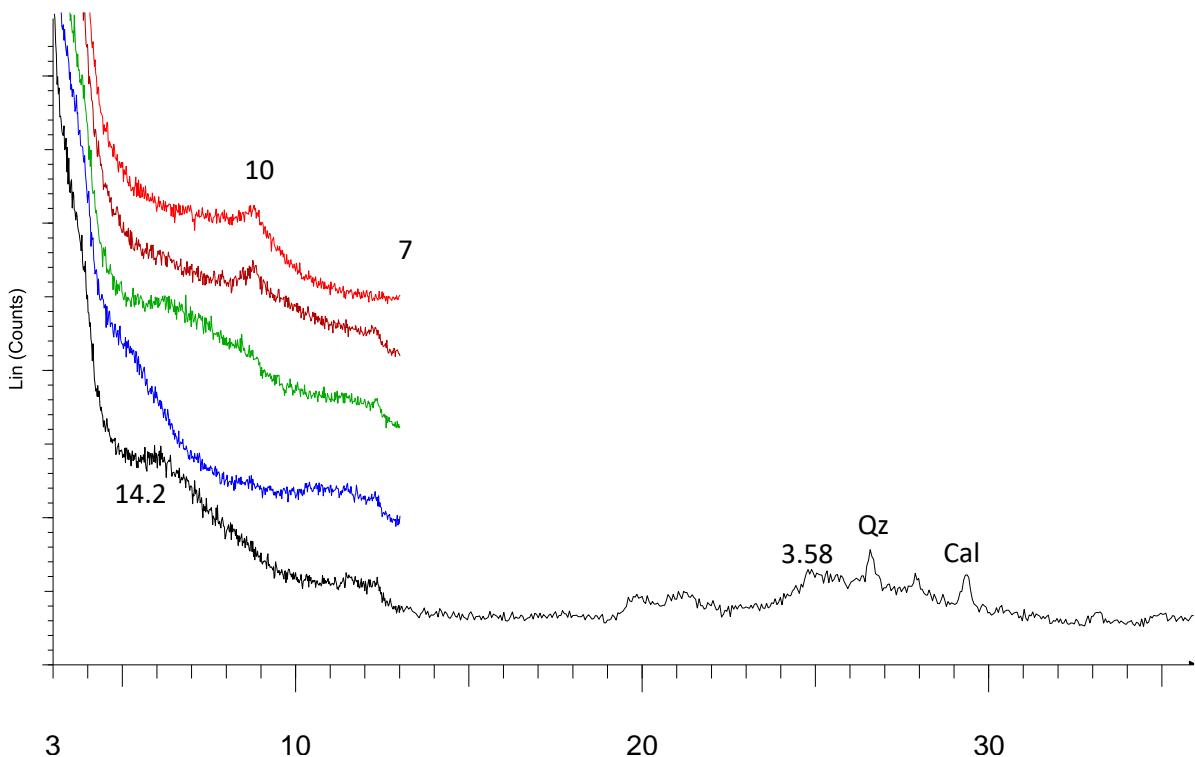
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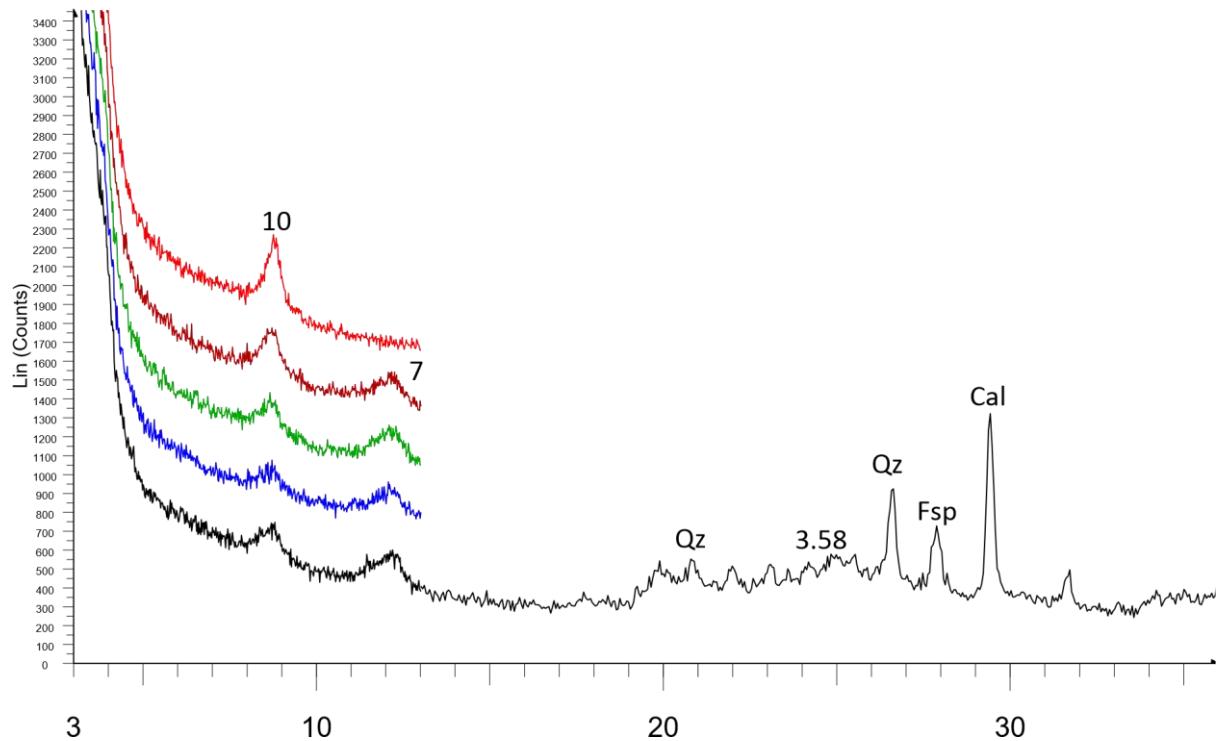
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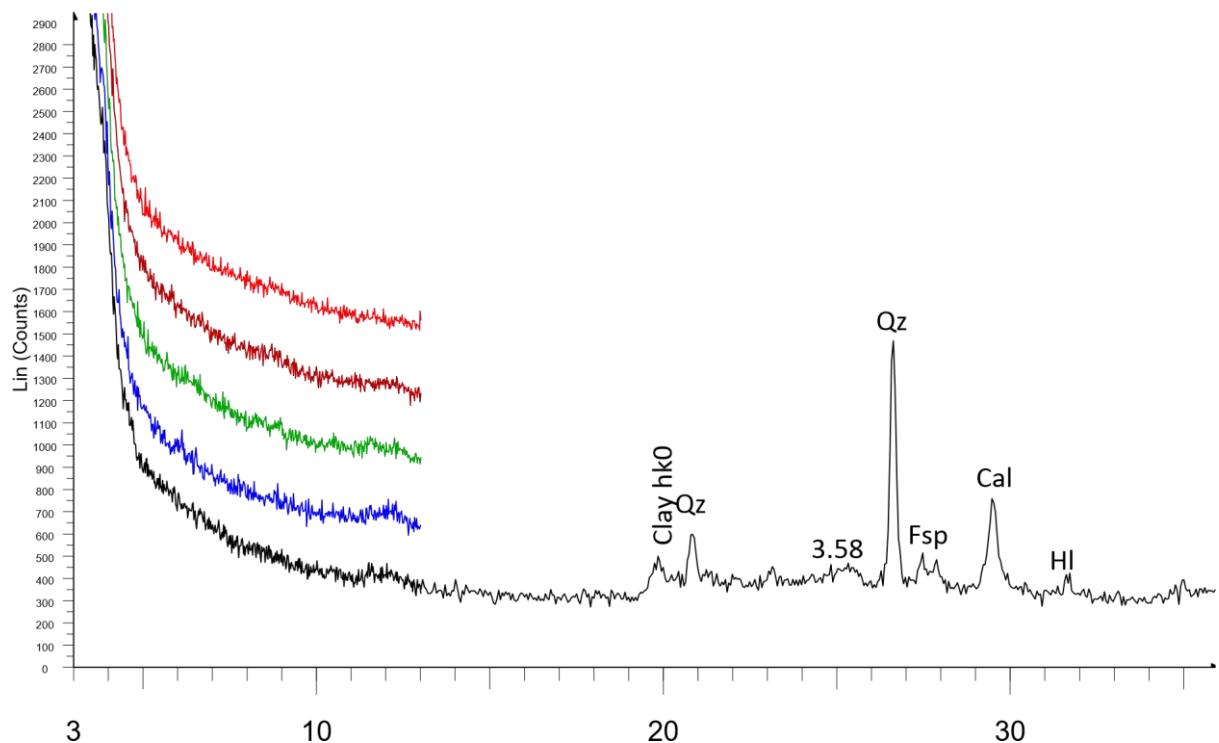
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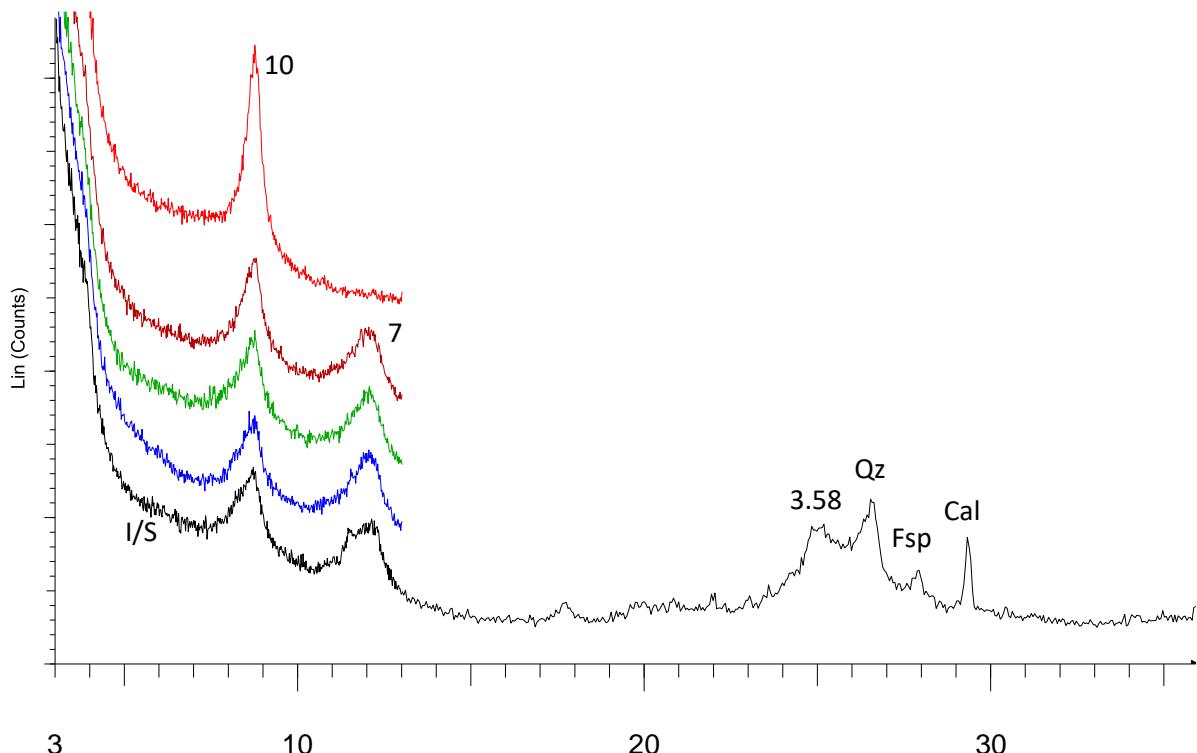
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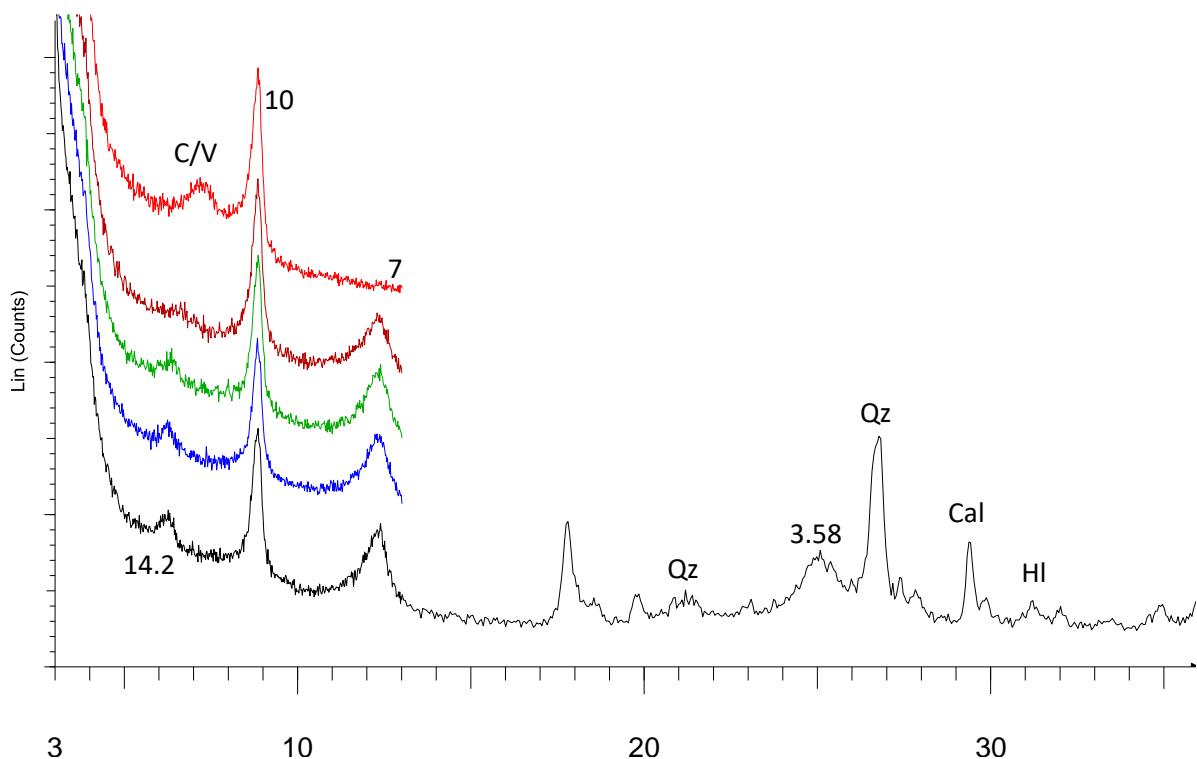
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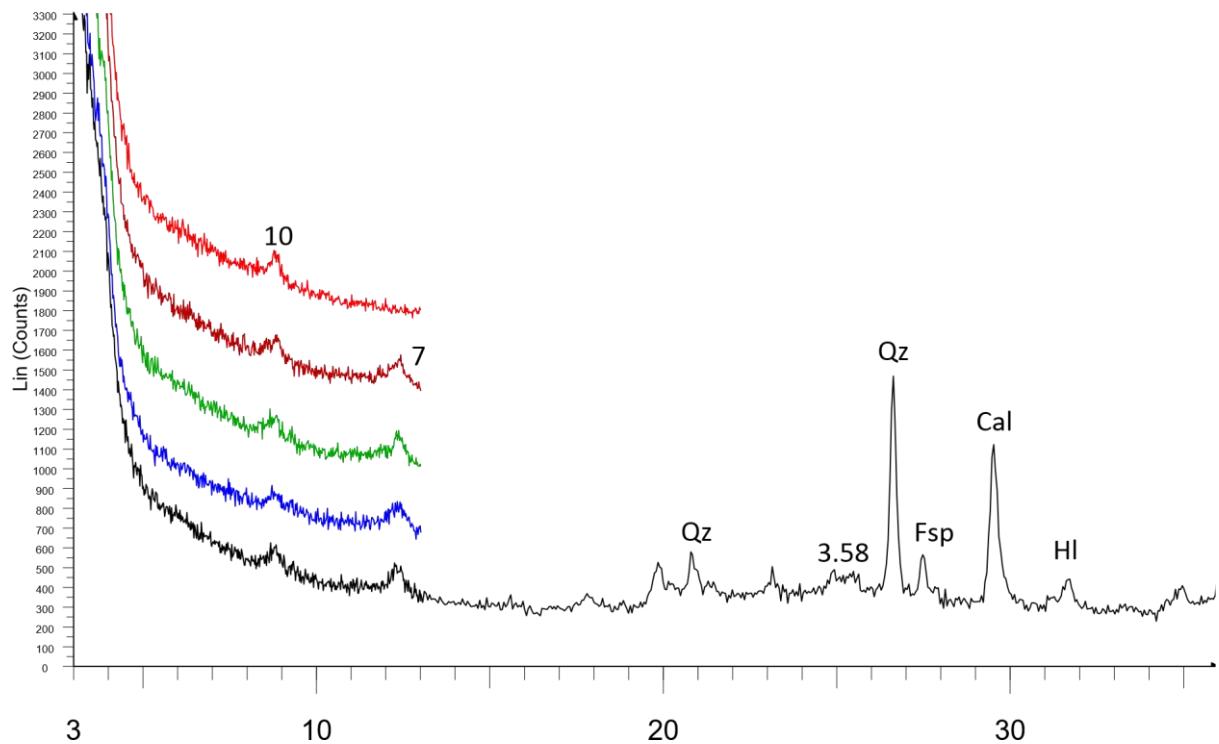
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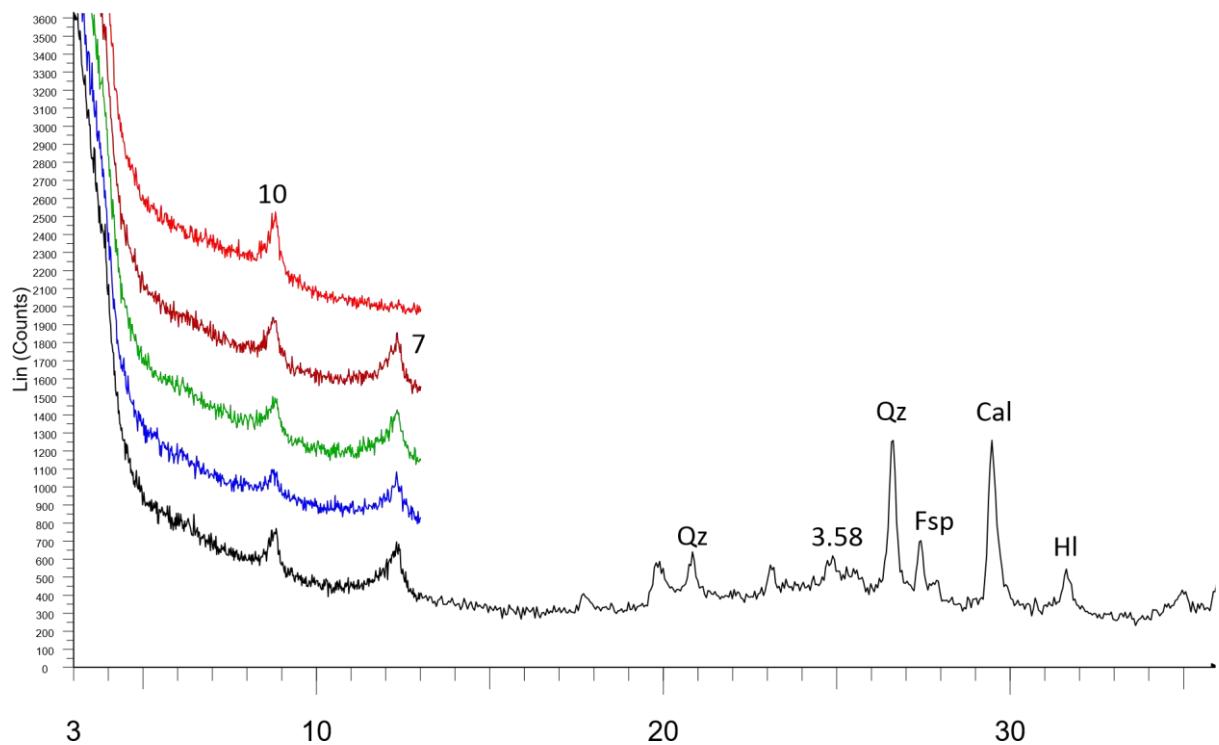
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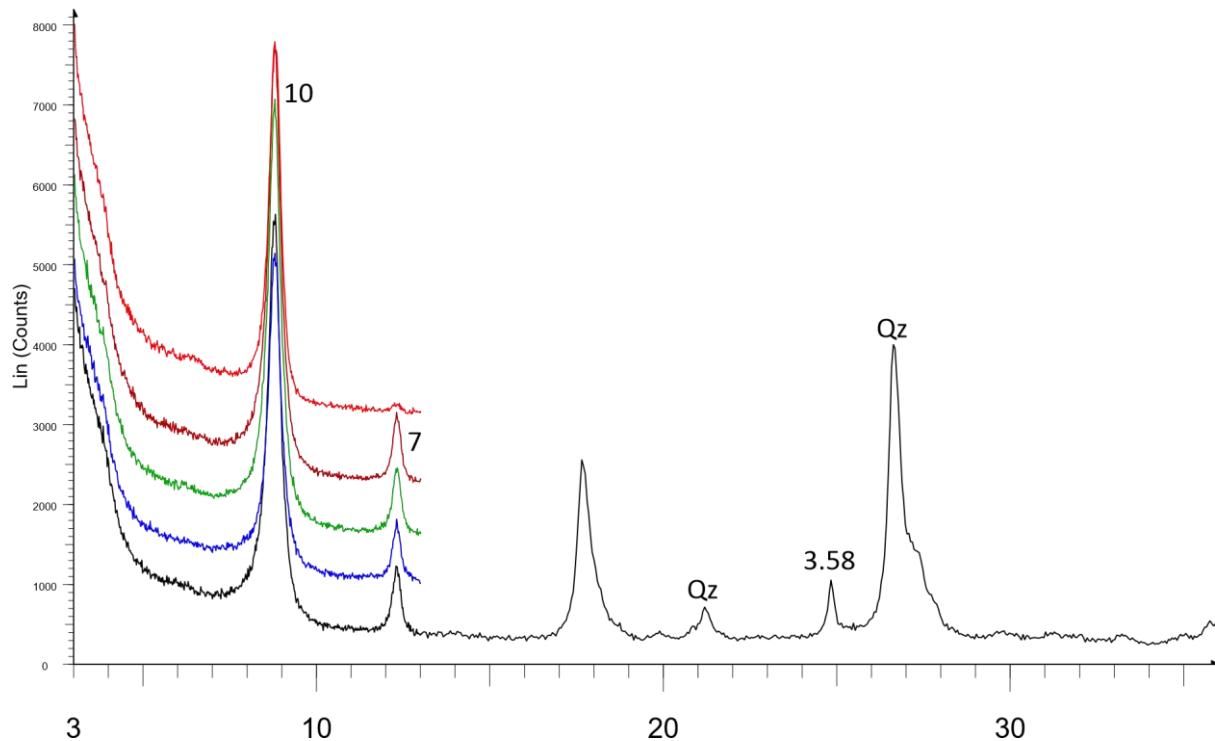
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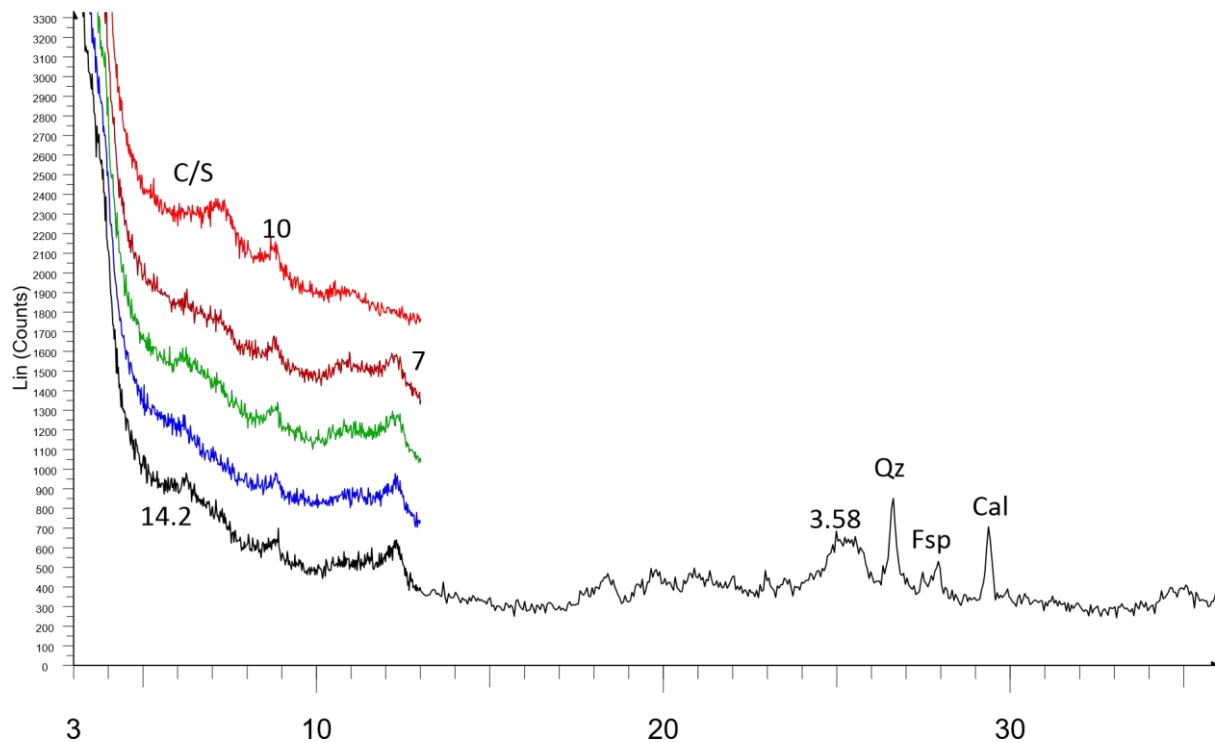
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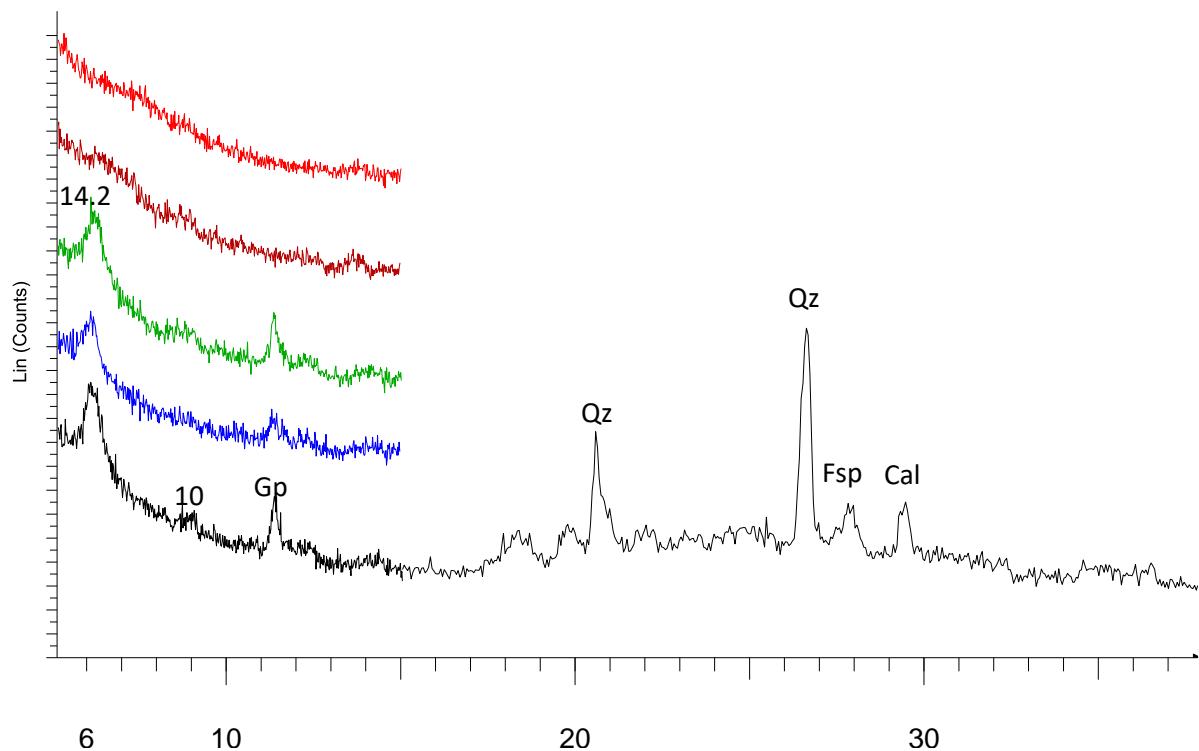


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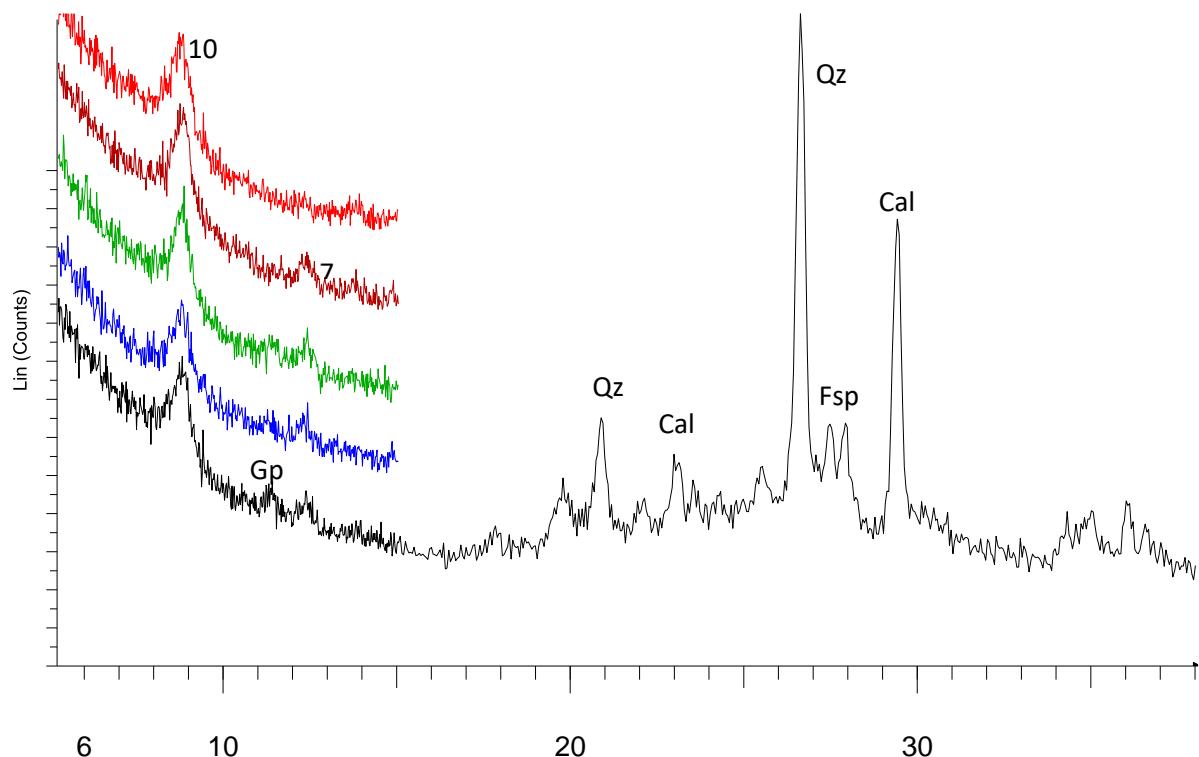


**Annex 18. RX Diffractograms from Sweden**

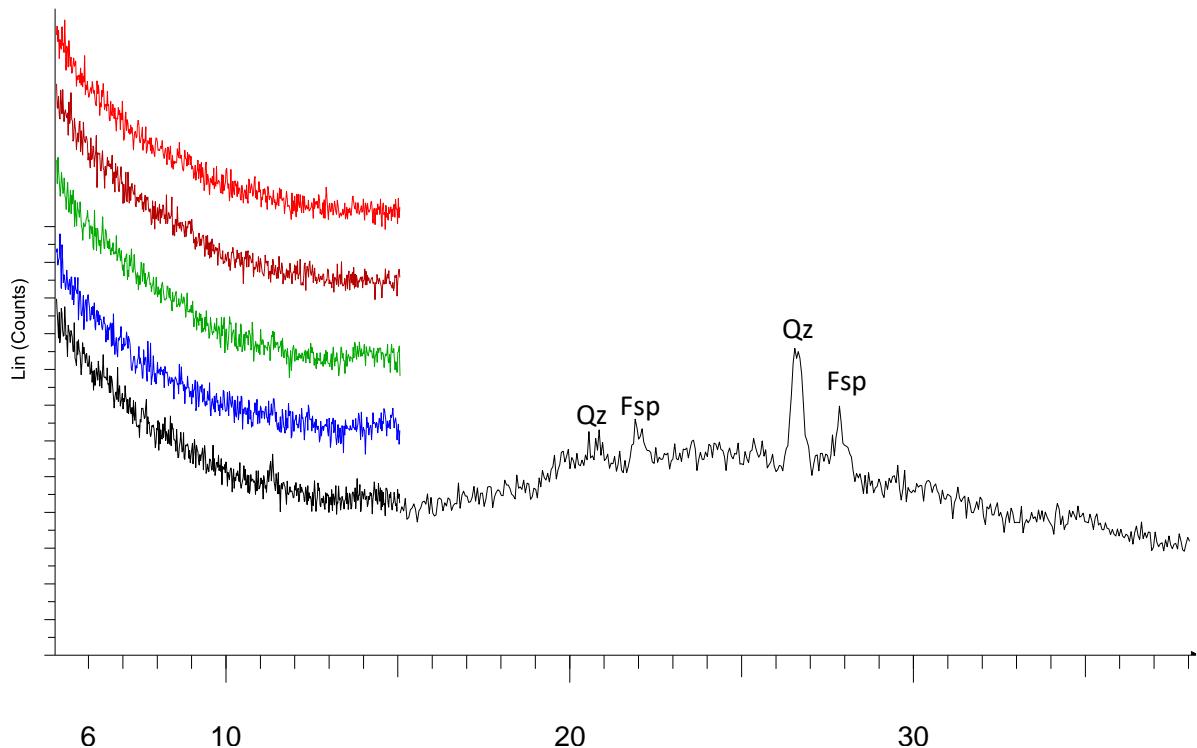
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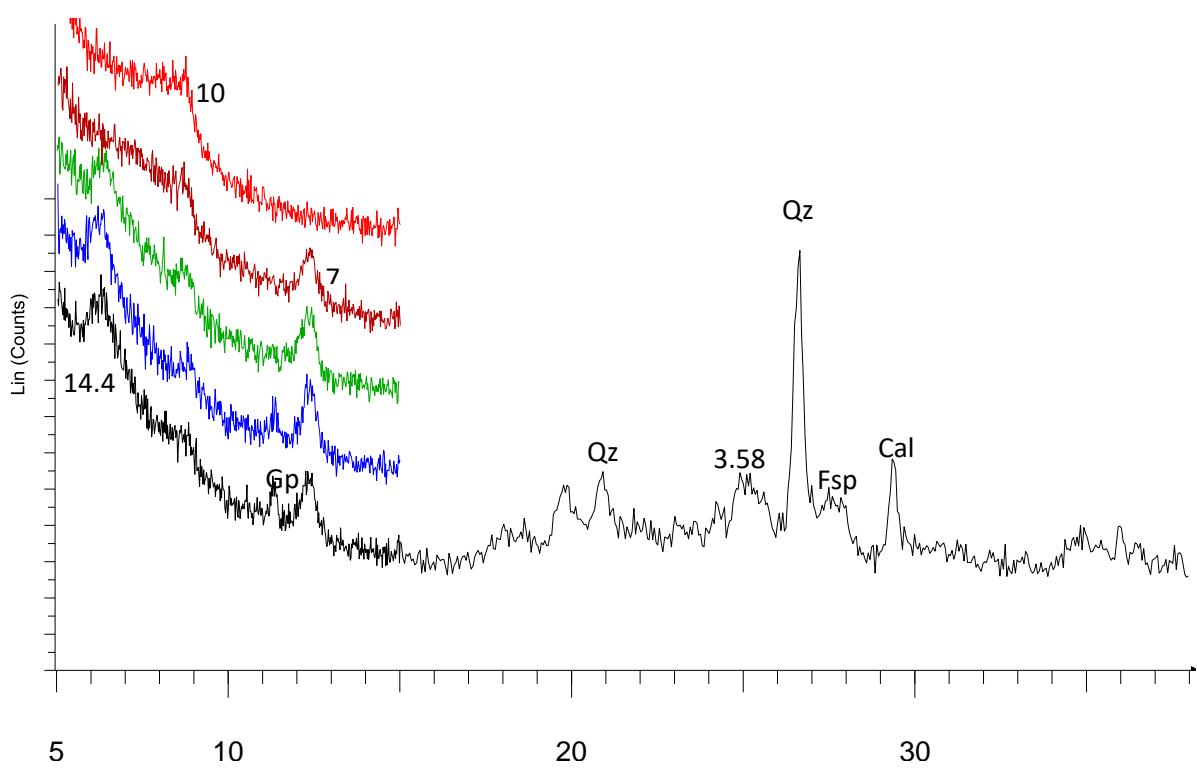
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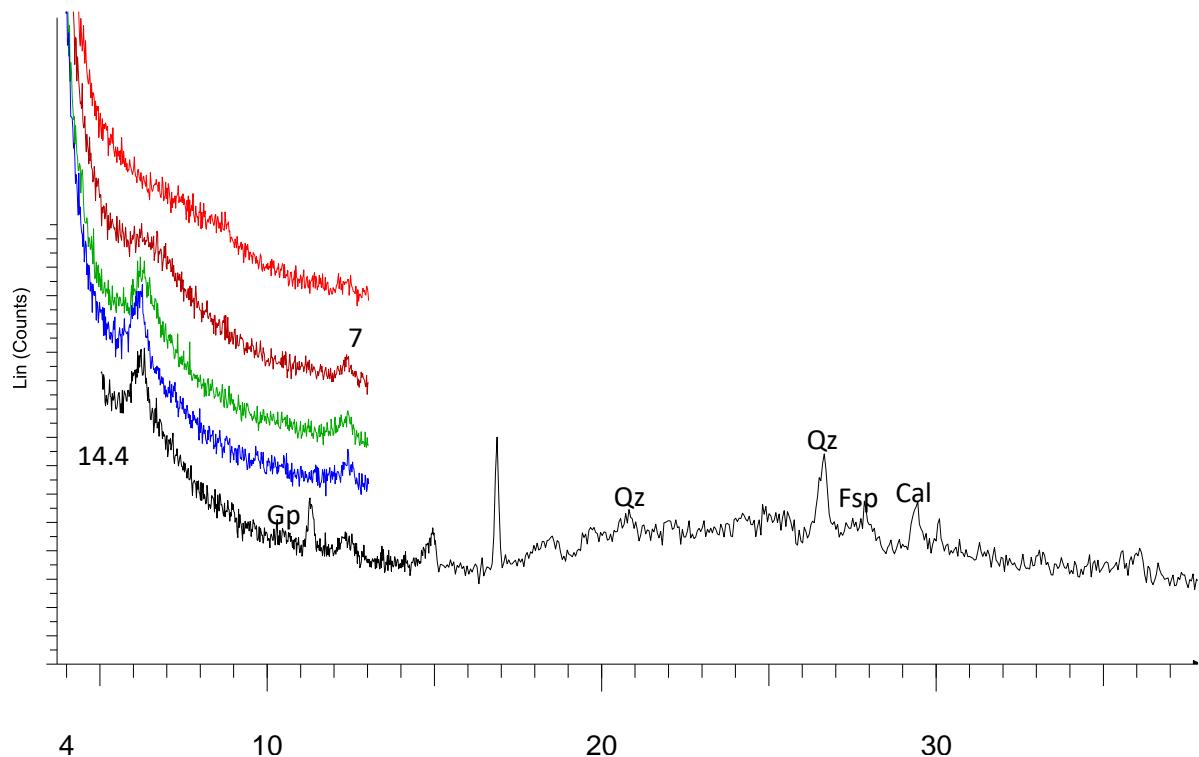
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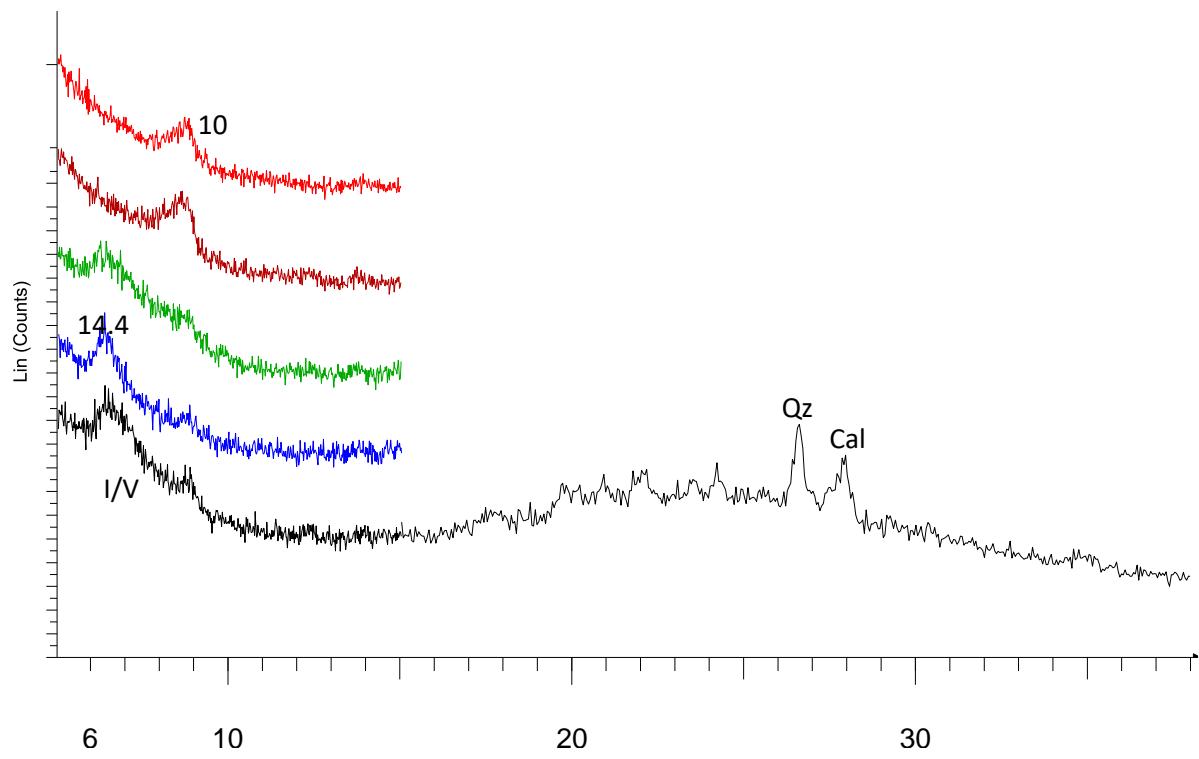
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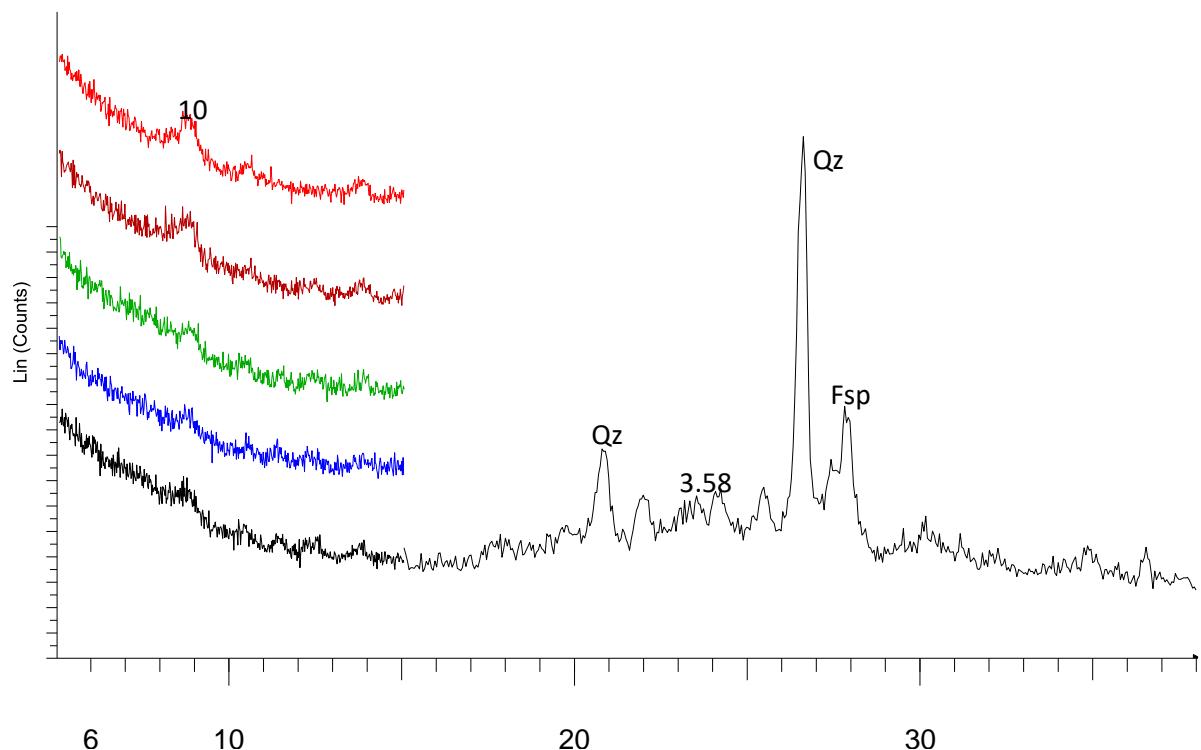
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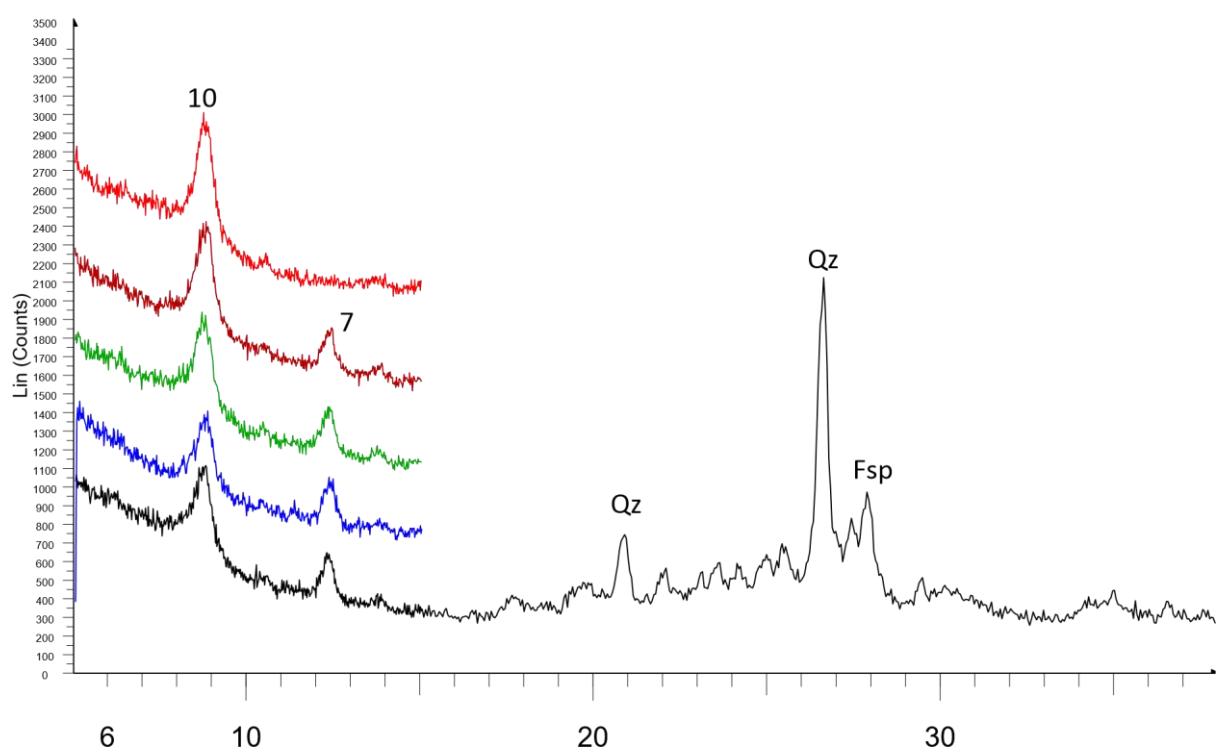
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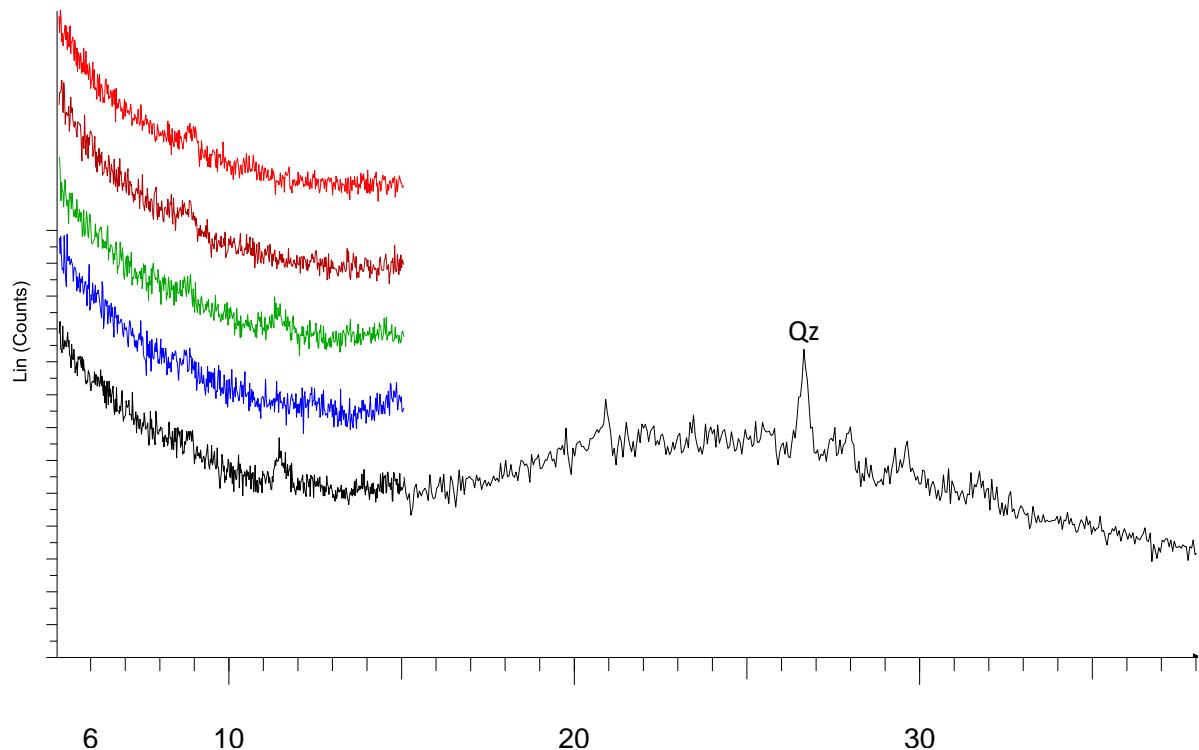
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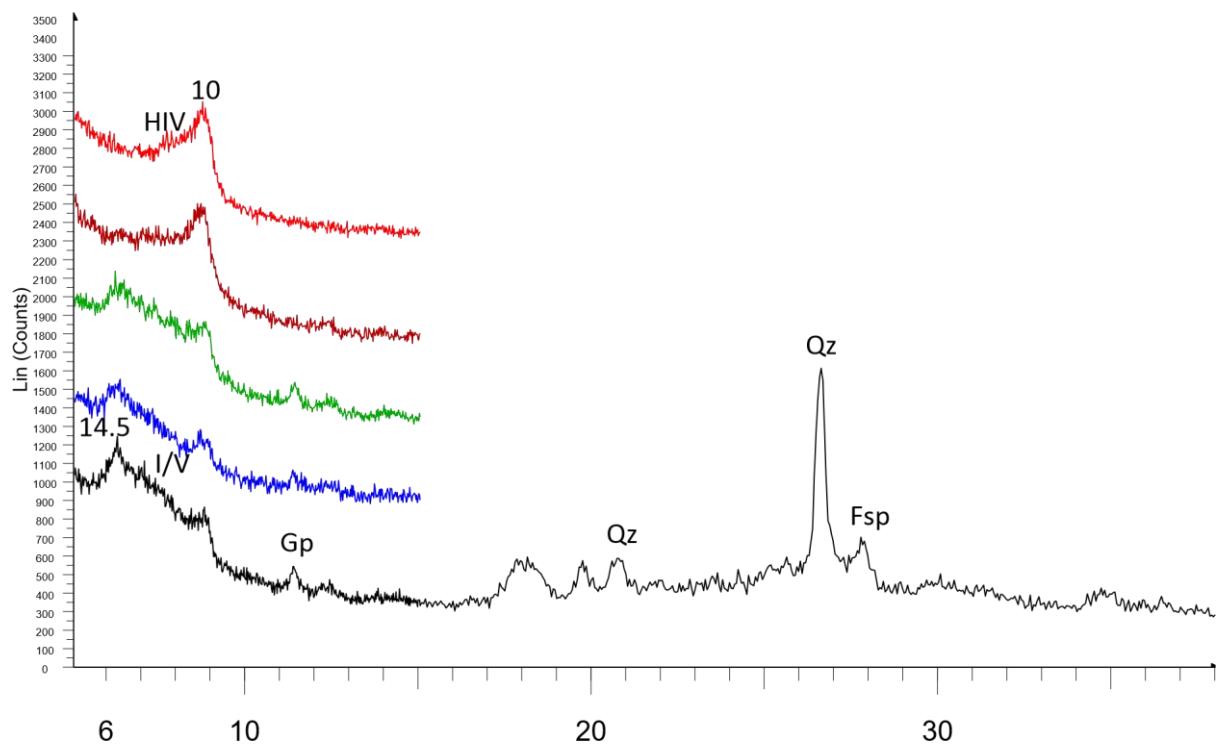
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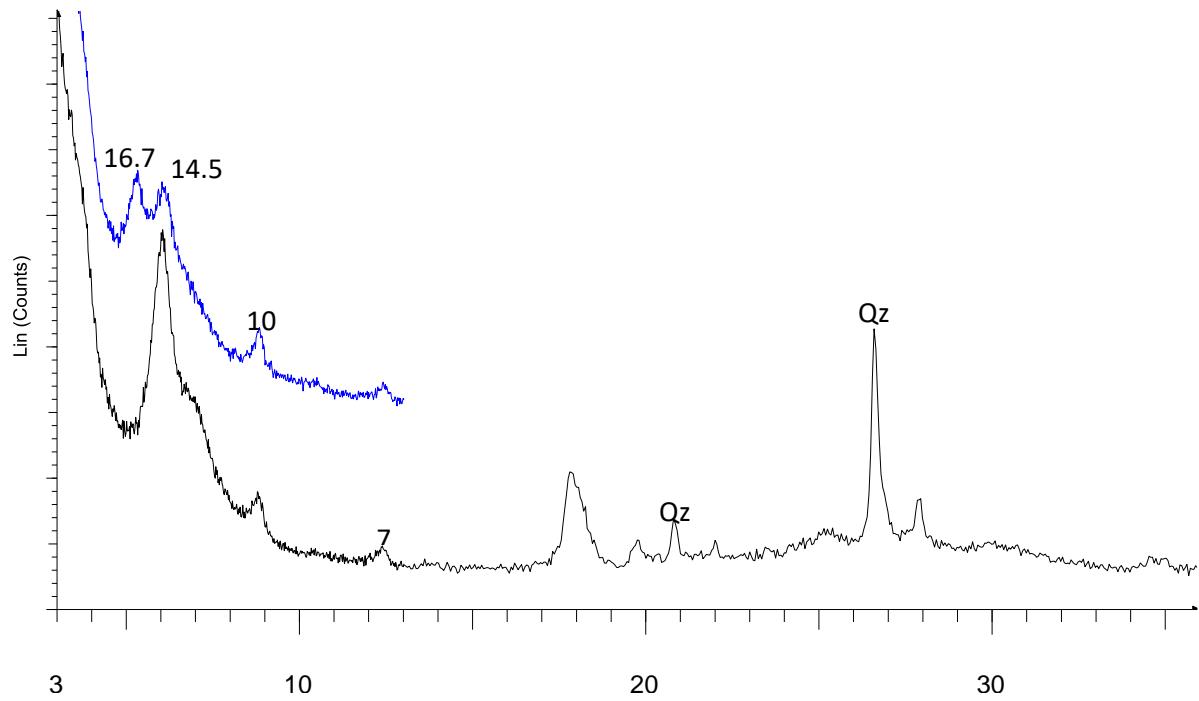
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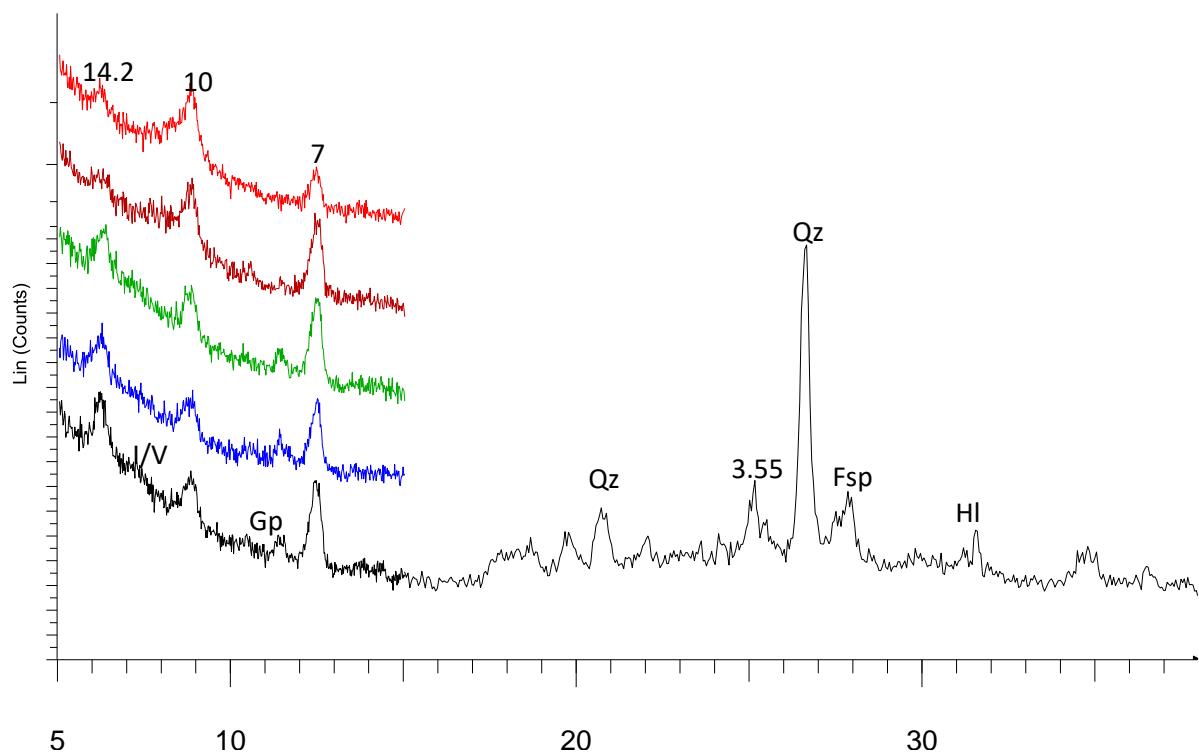
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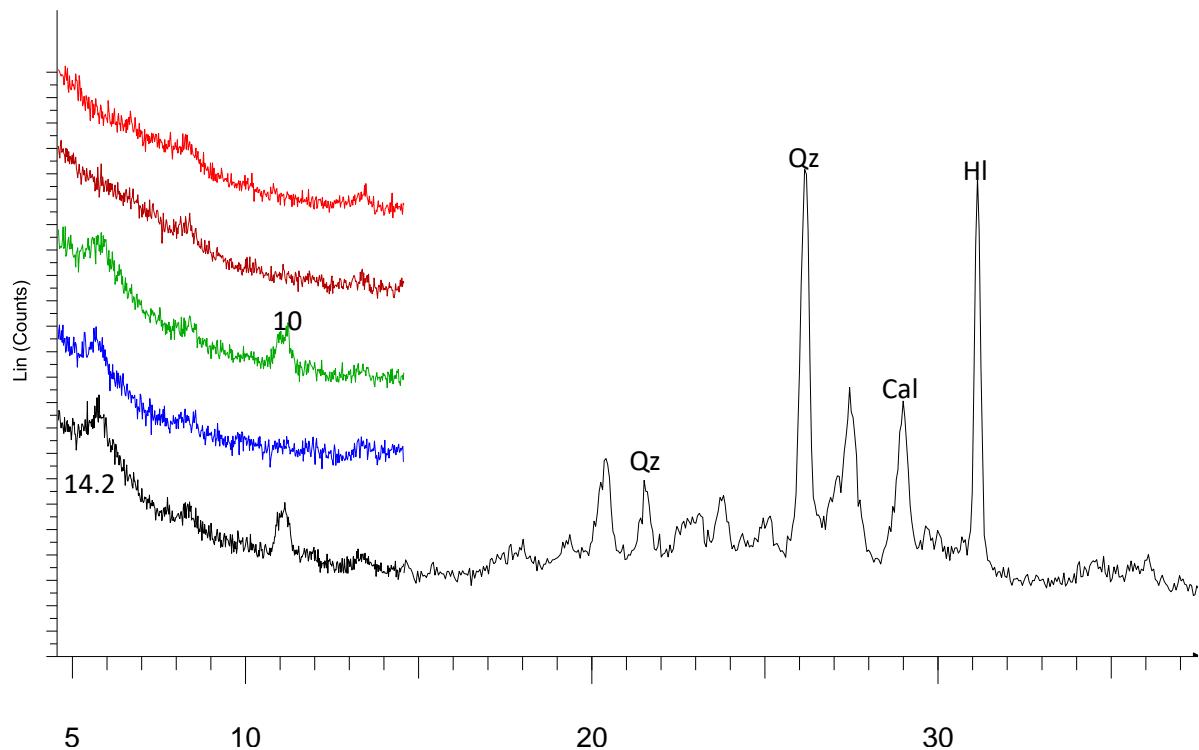
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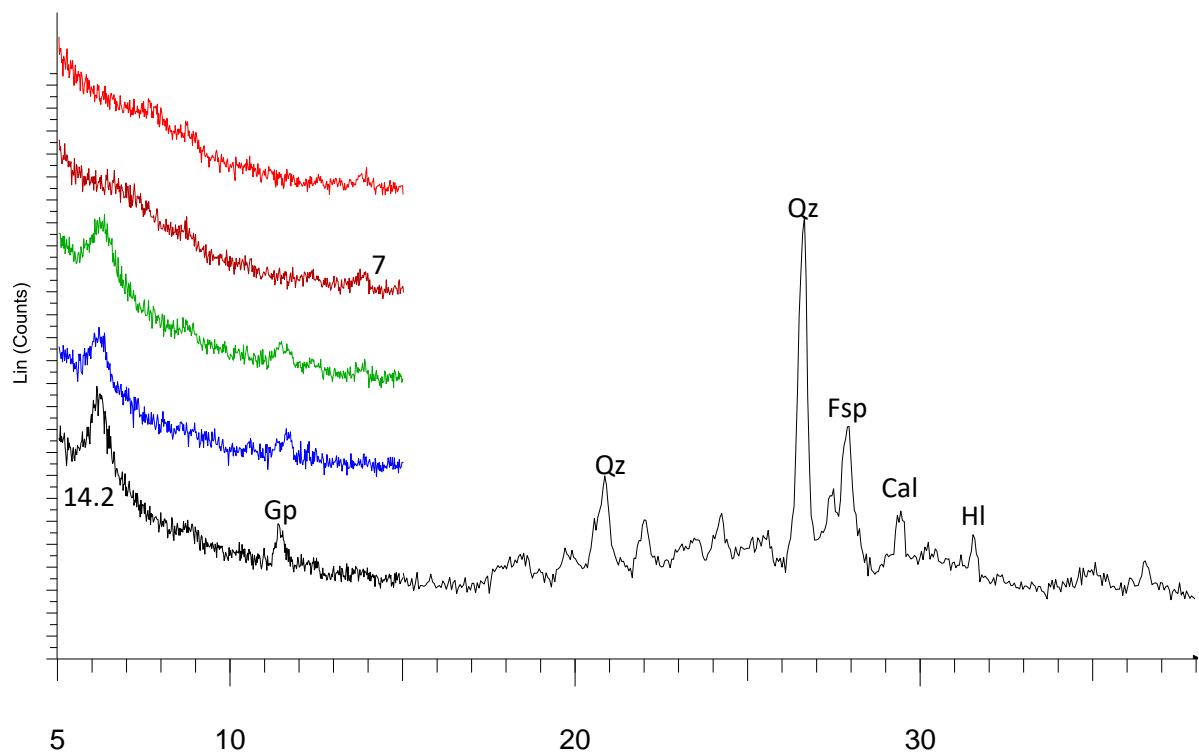
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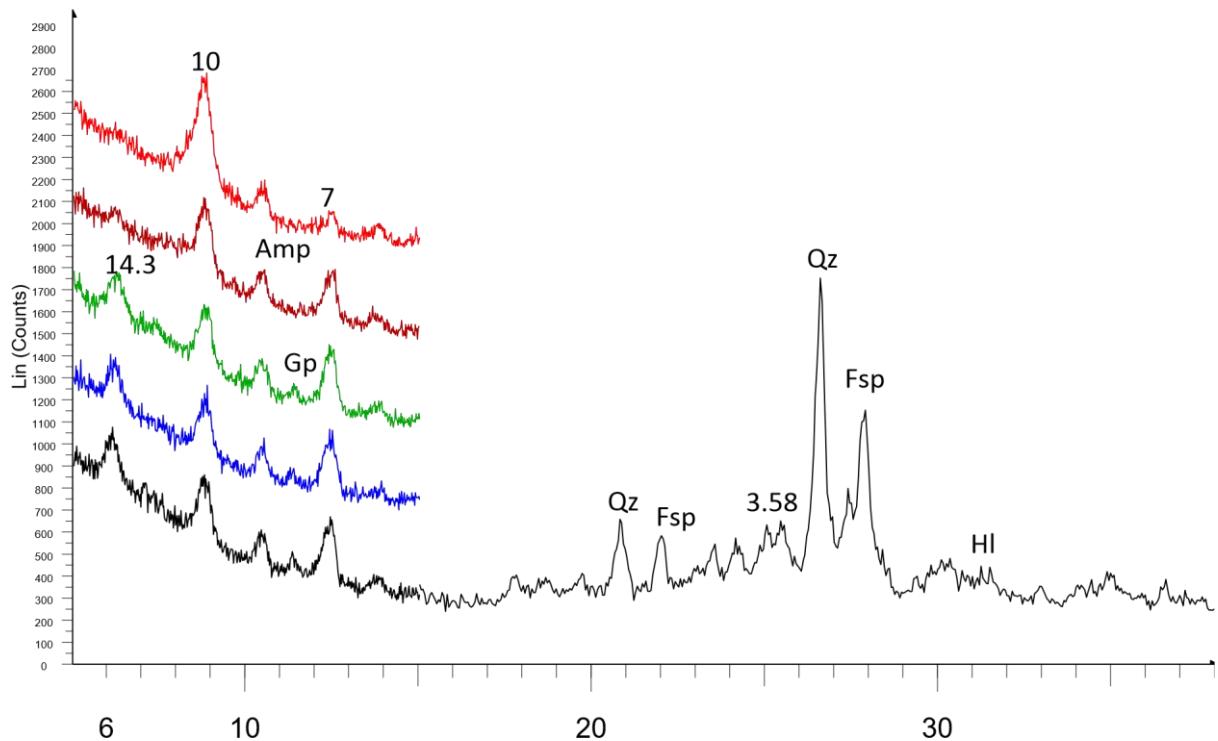
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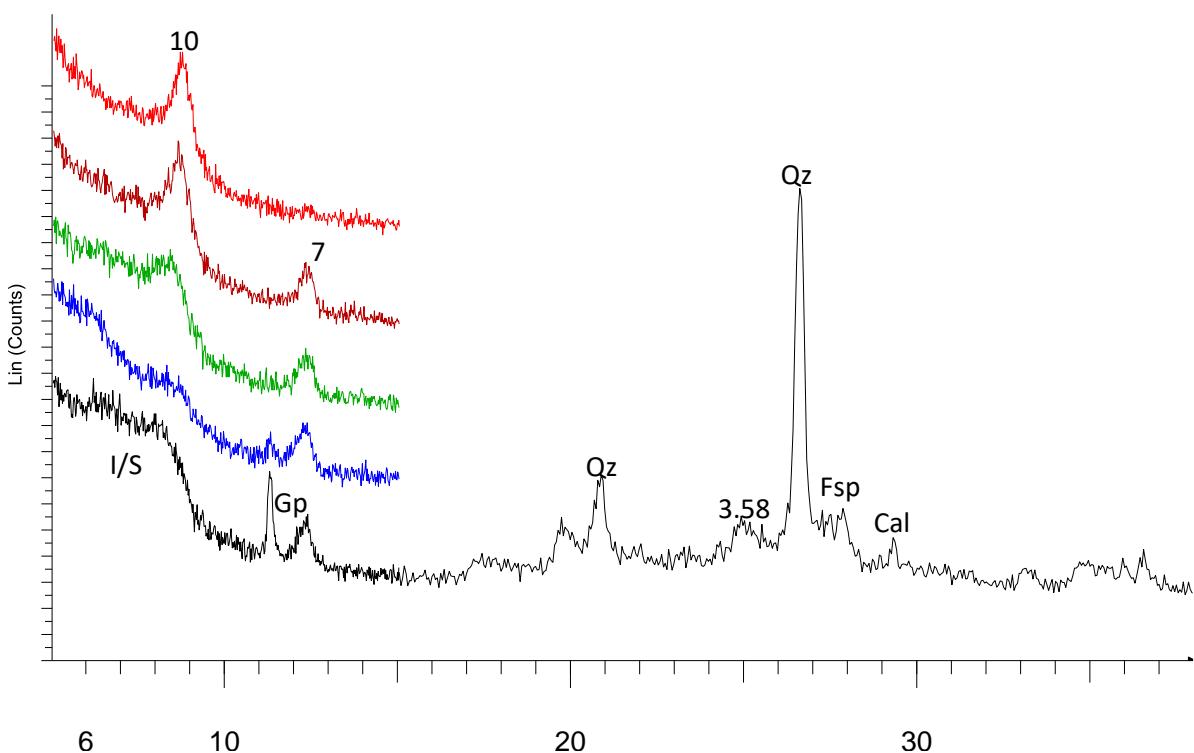
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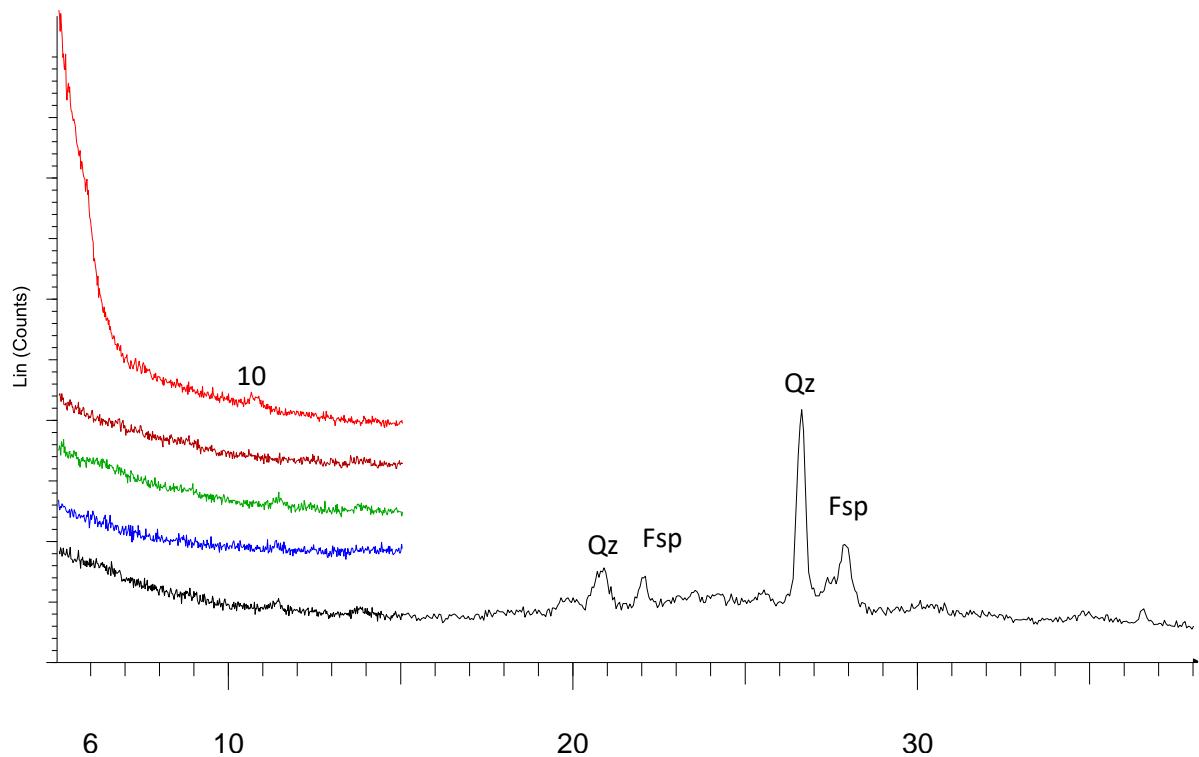
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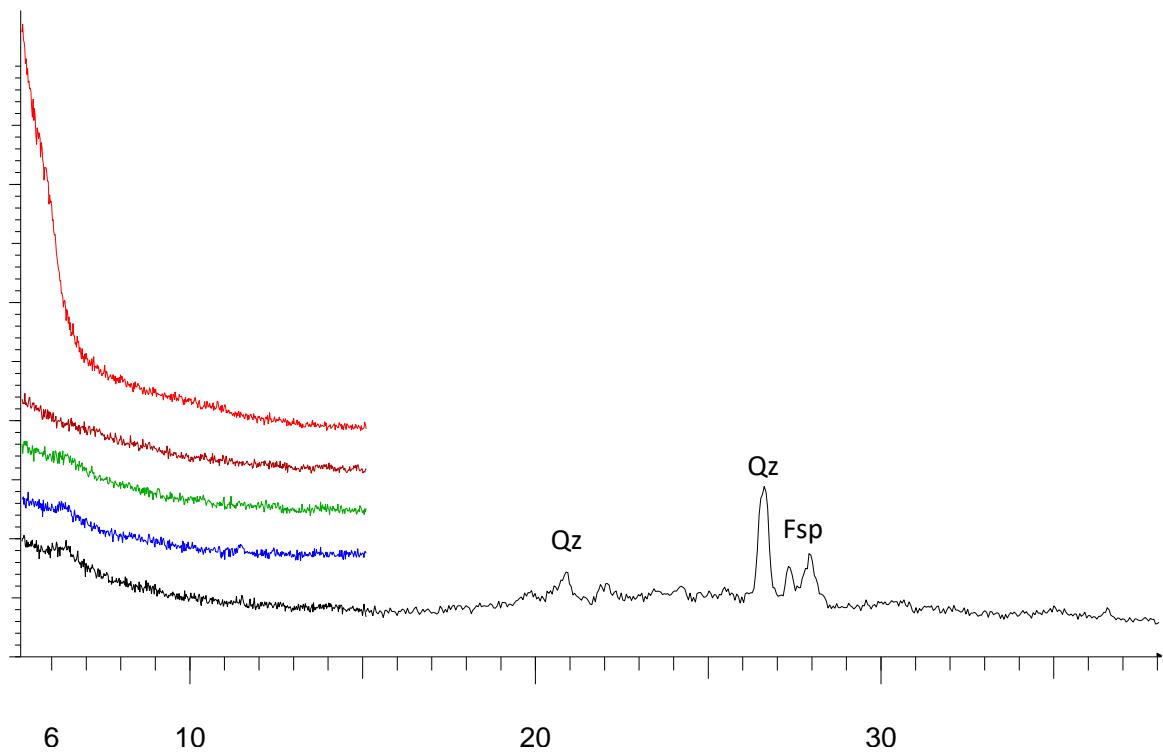
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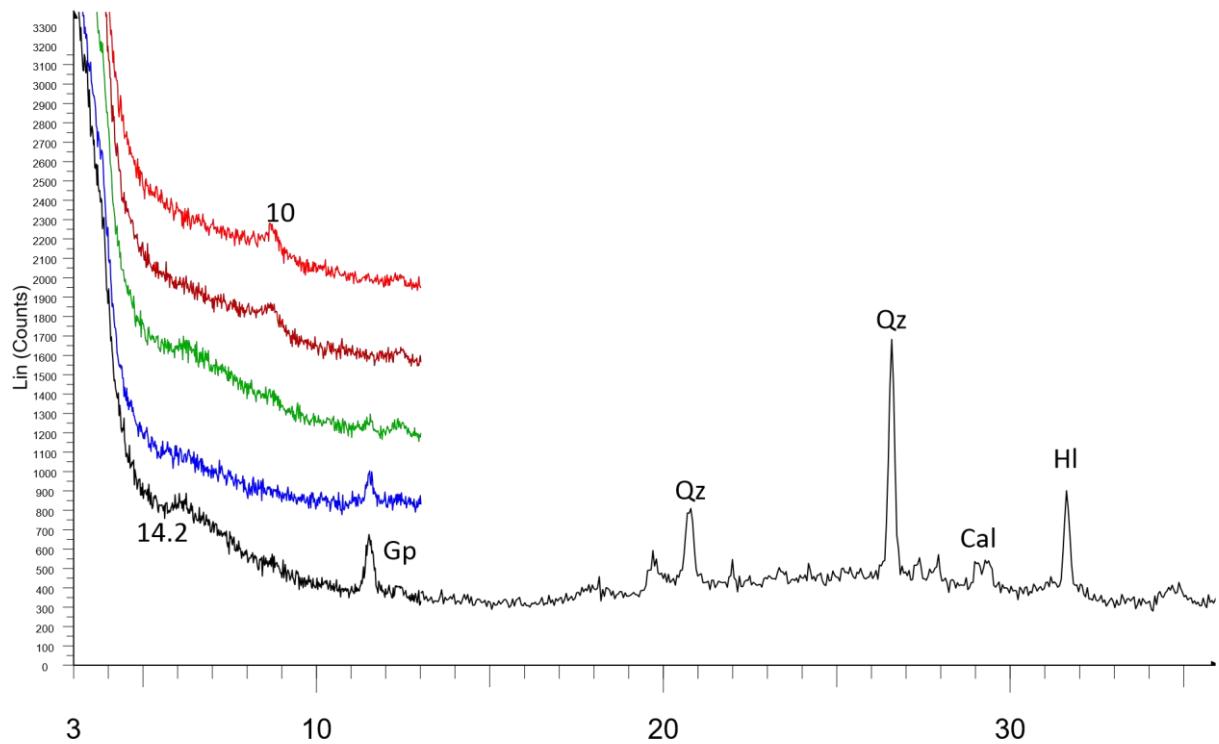
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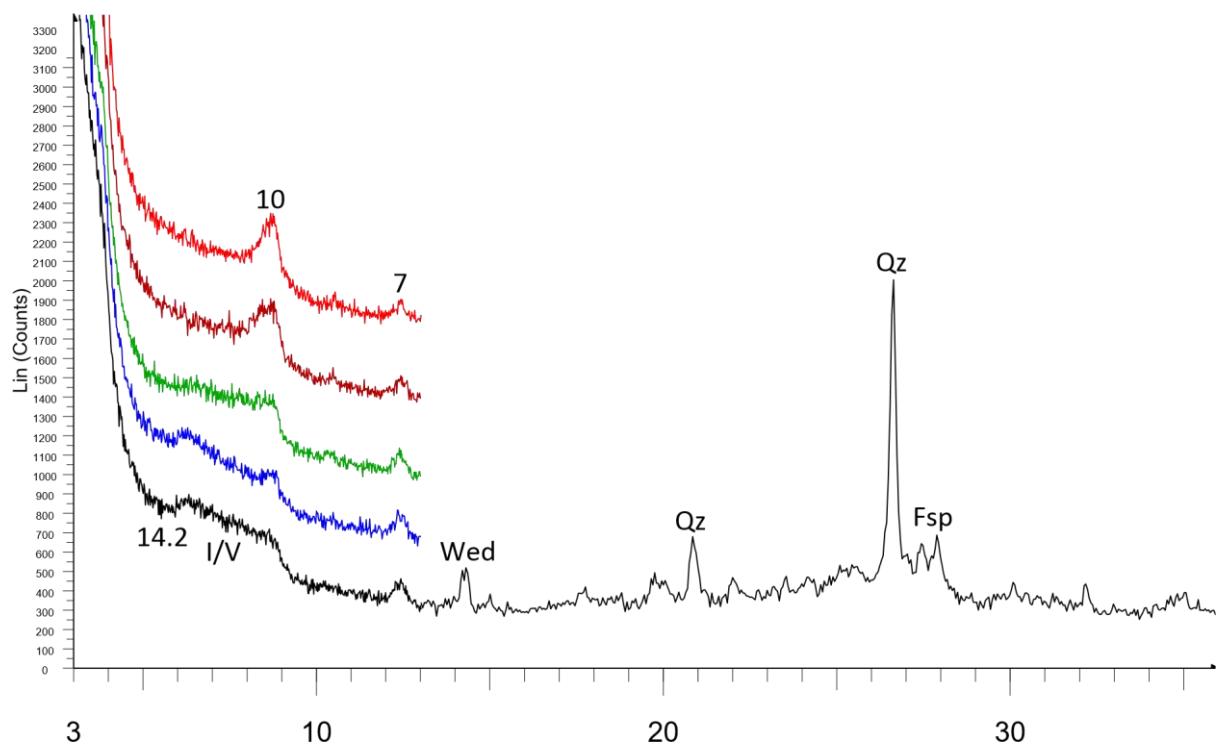
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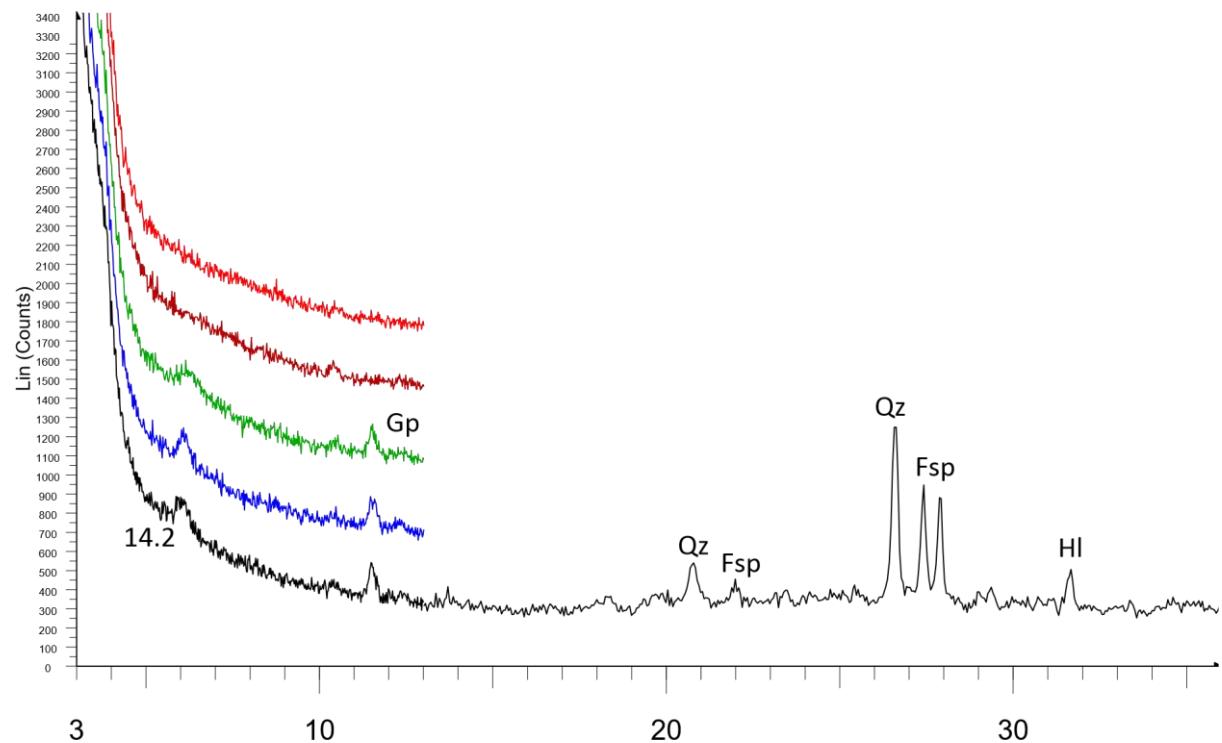
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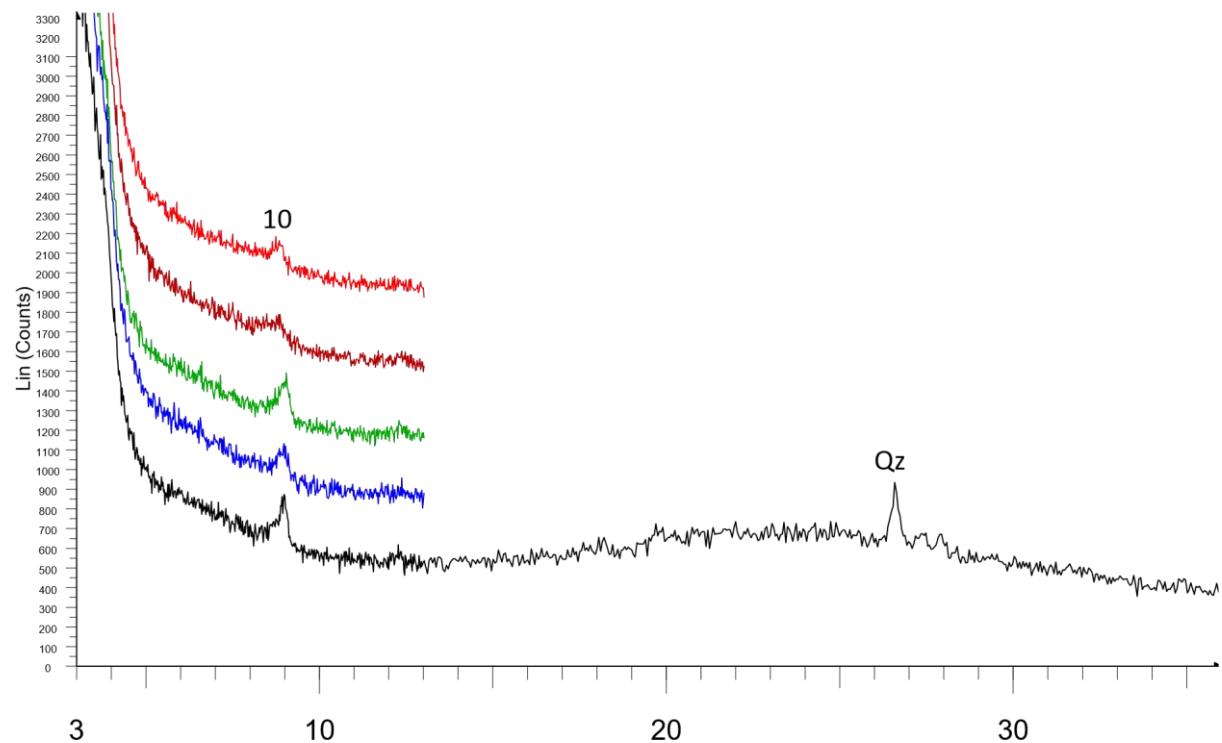
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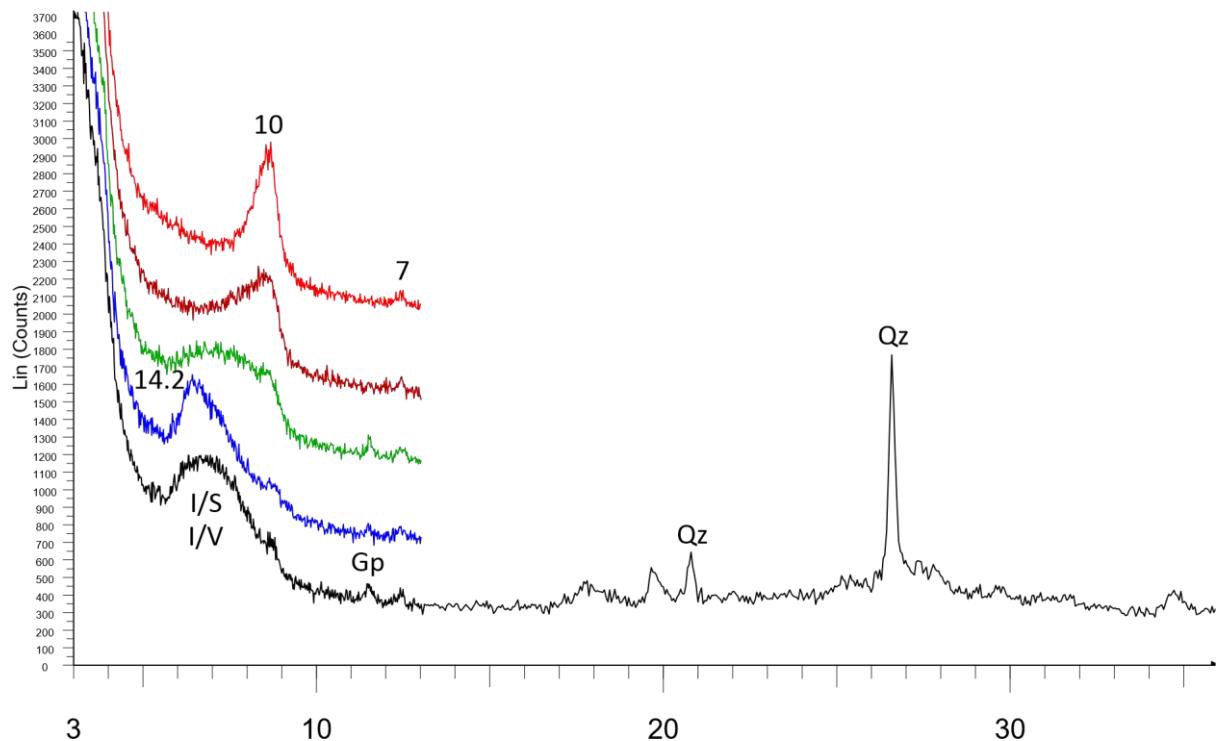
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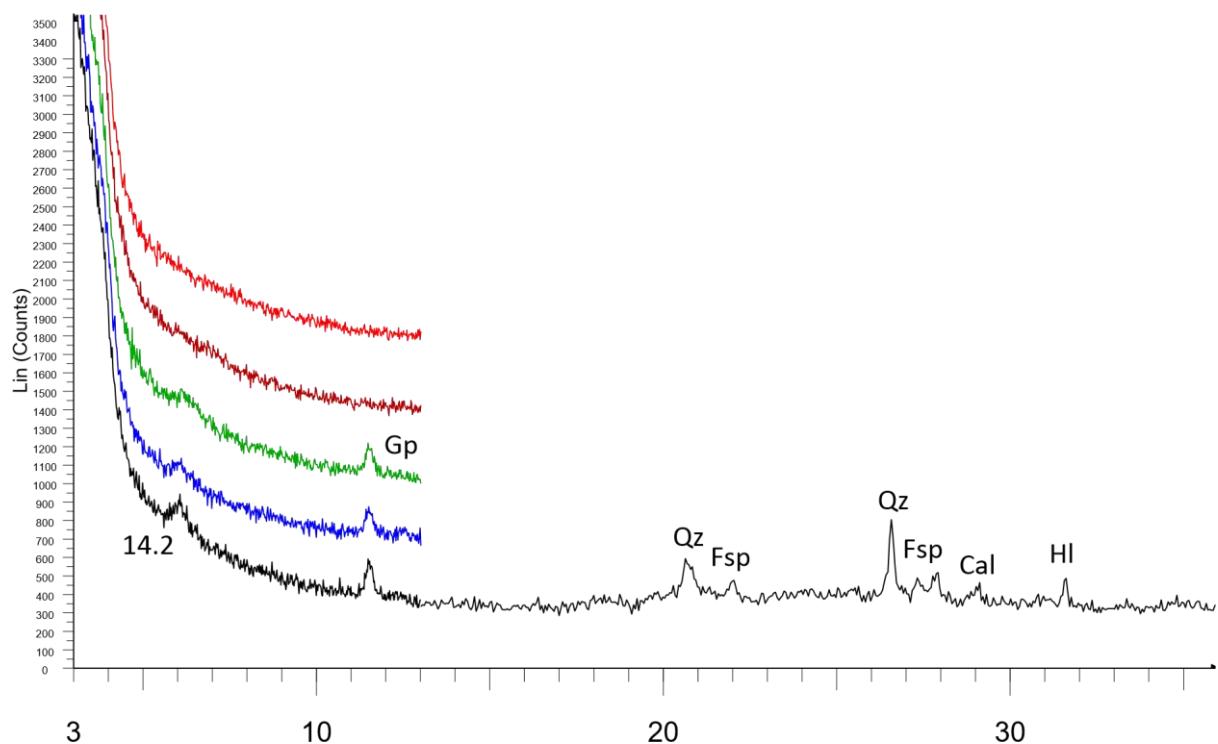
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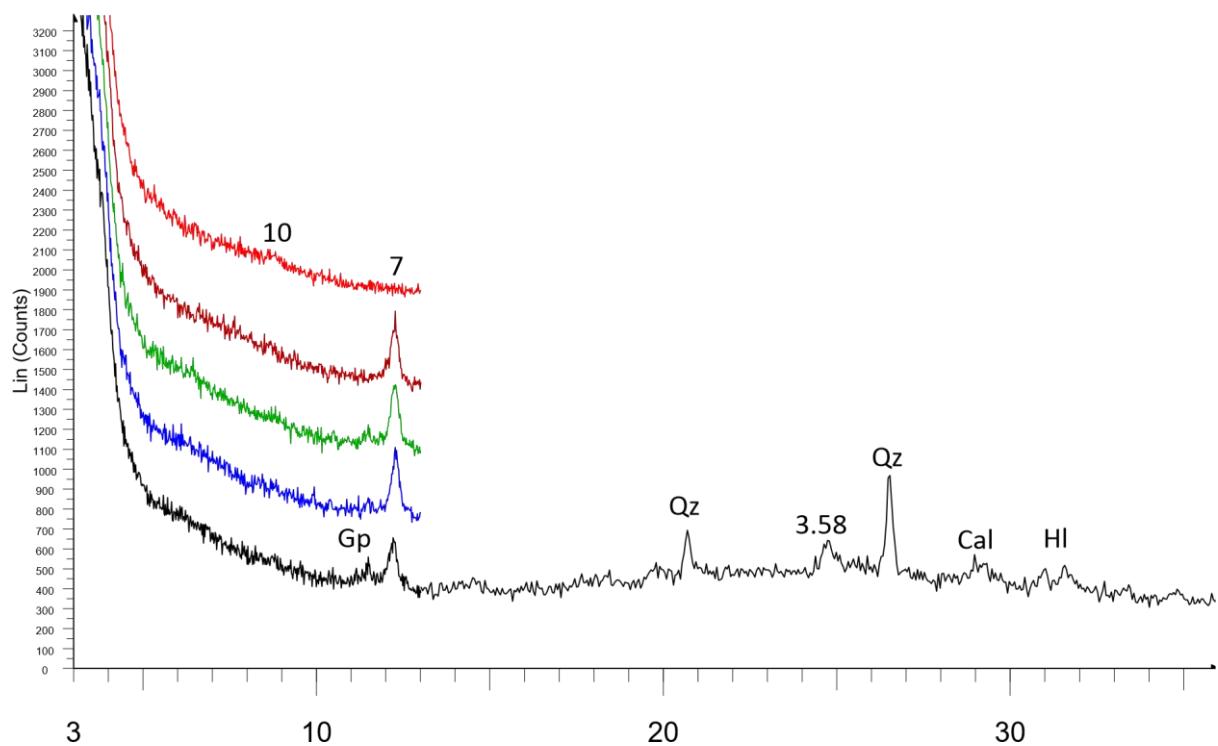


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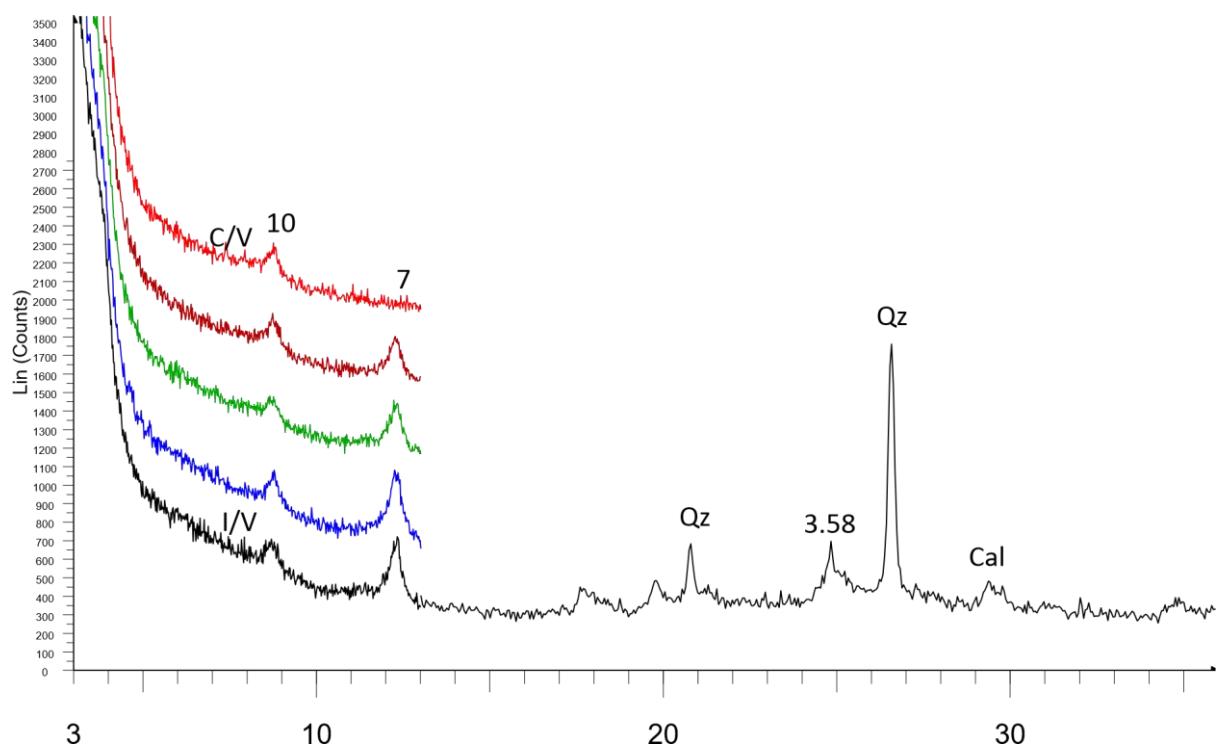


#### Annex 19. RX Diffractograms from United Kingdom

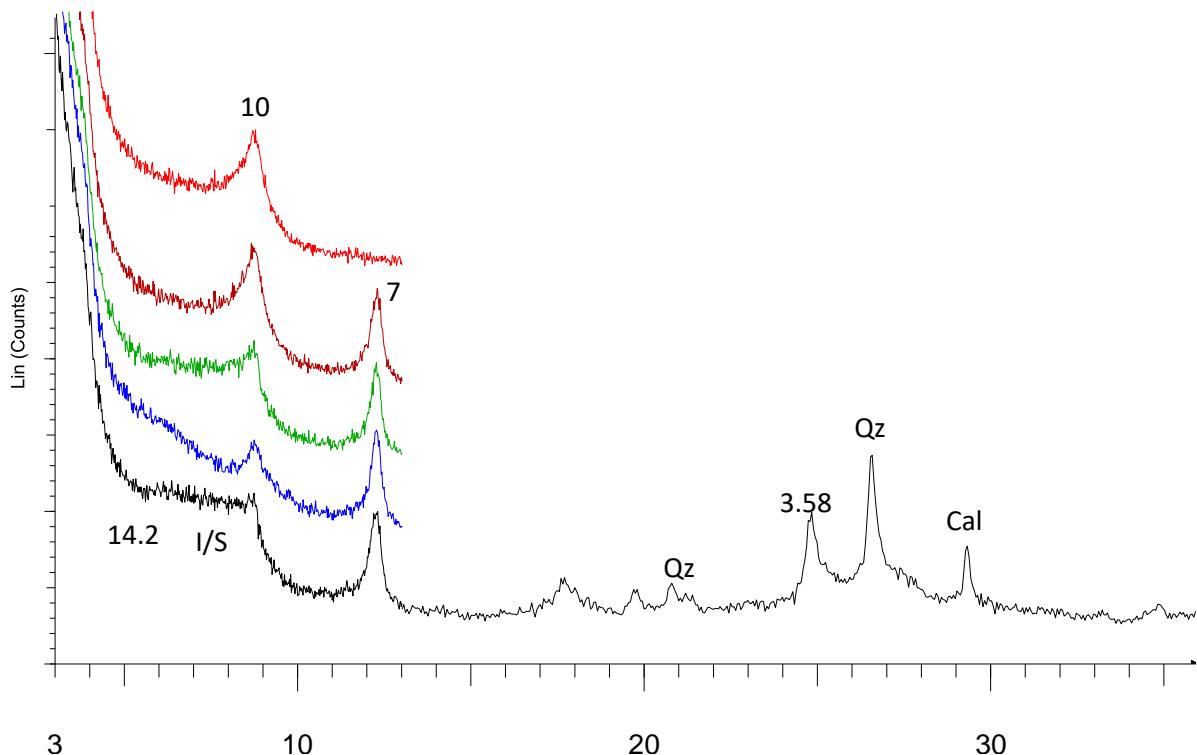
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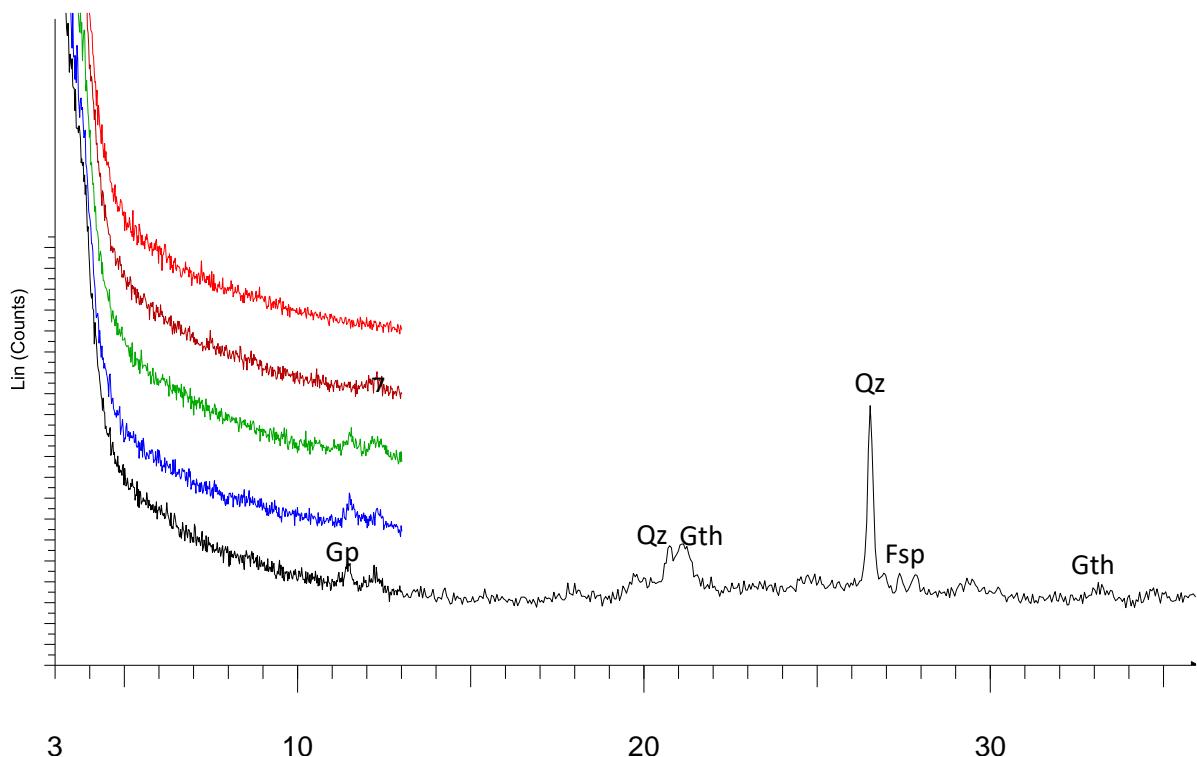
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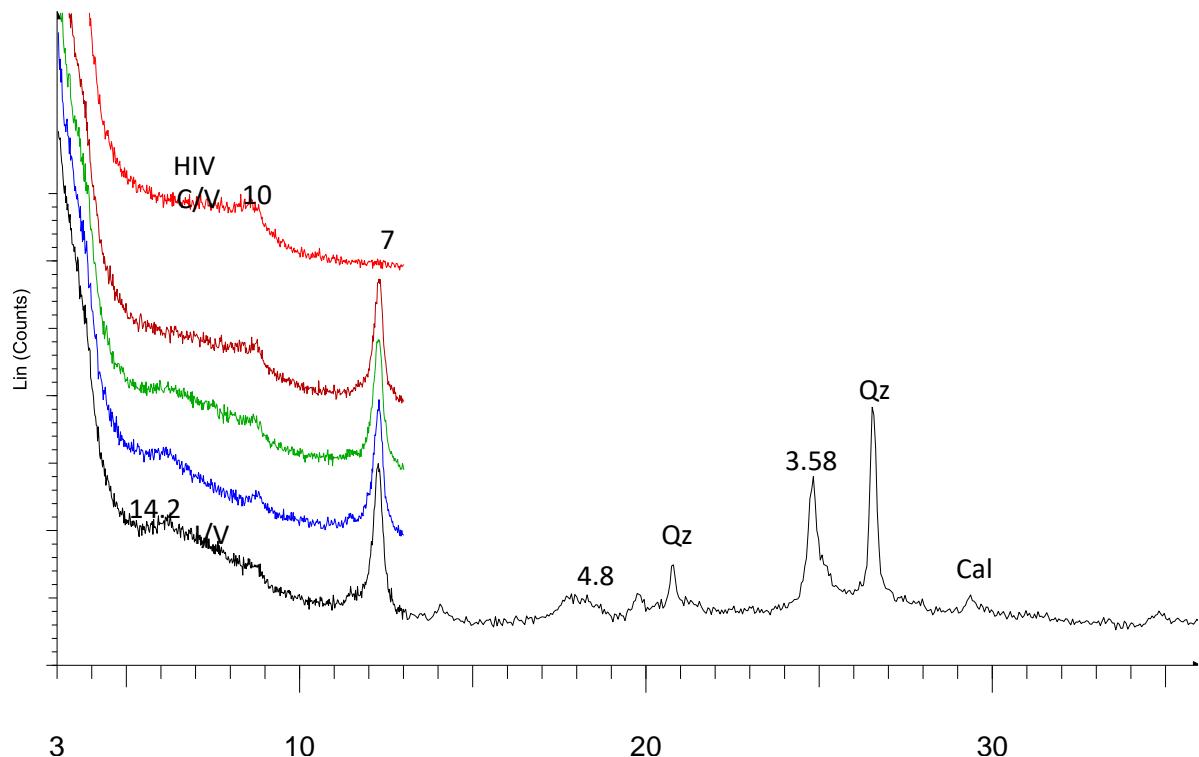
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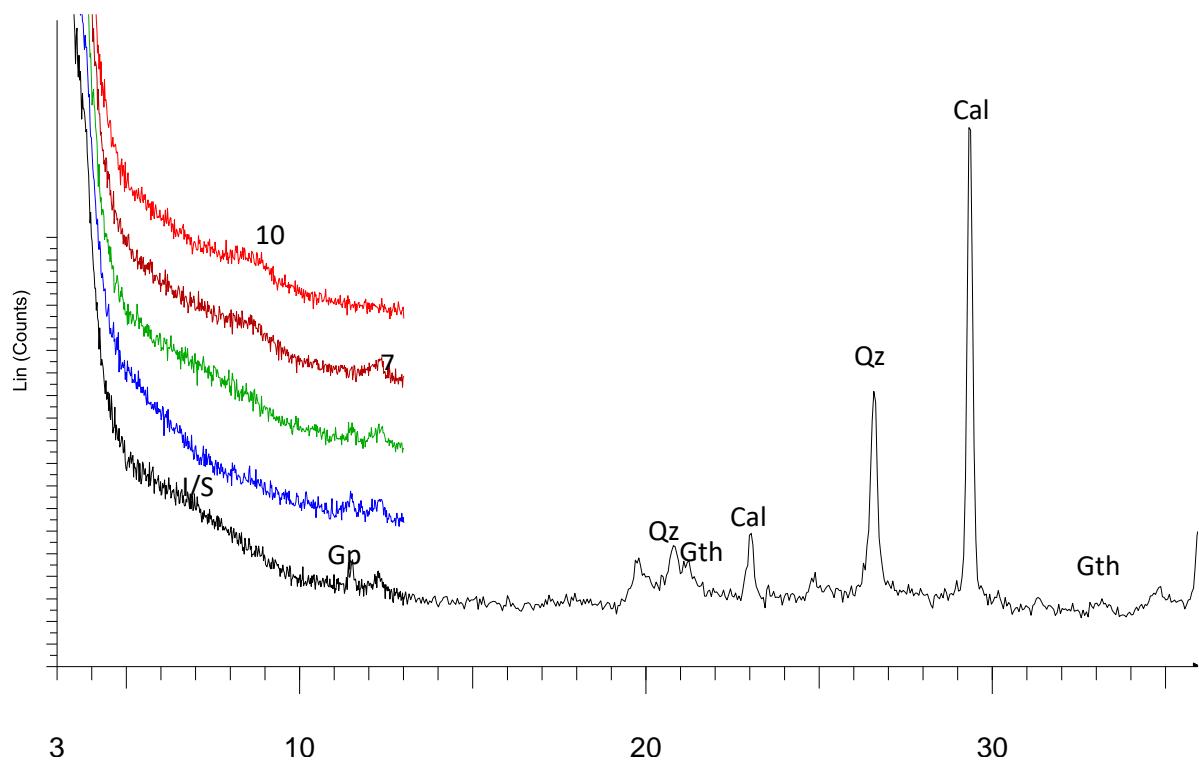
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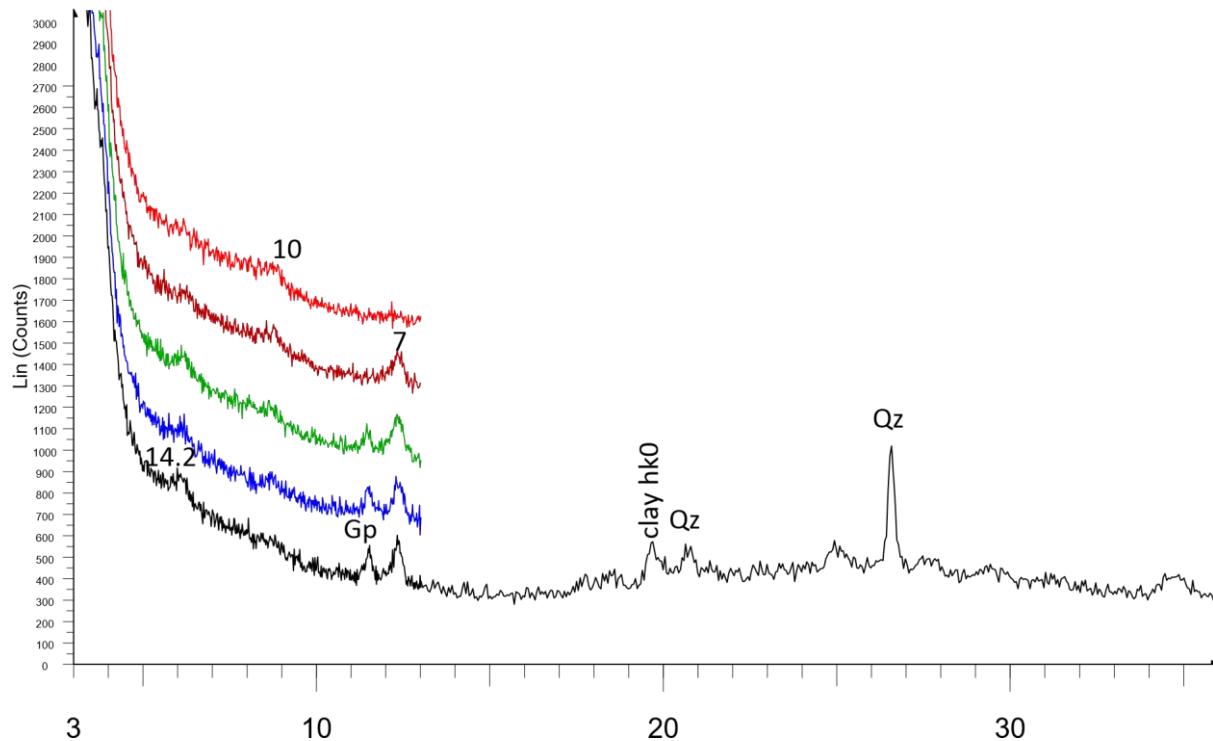
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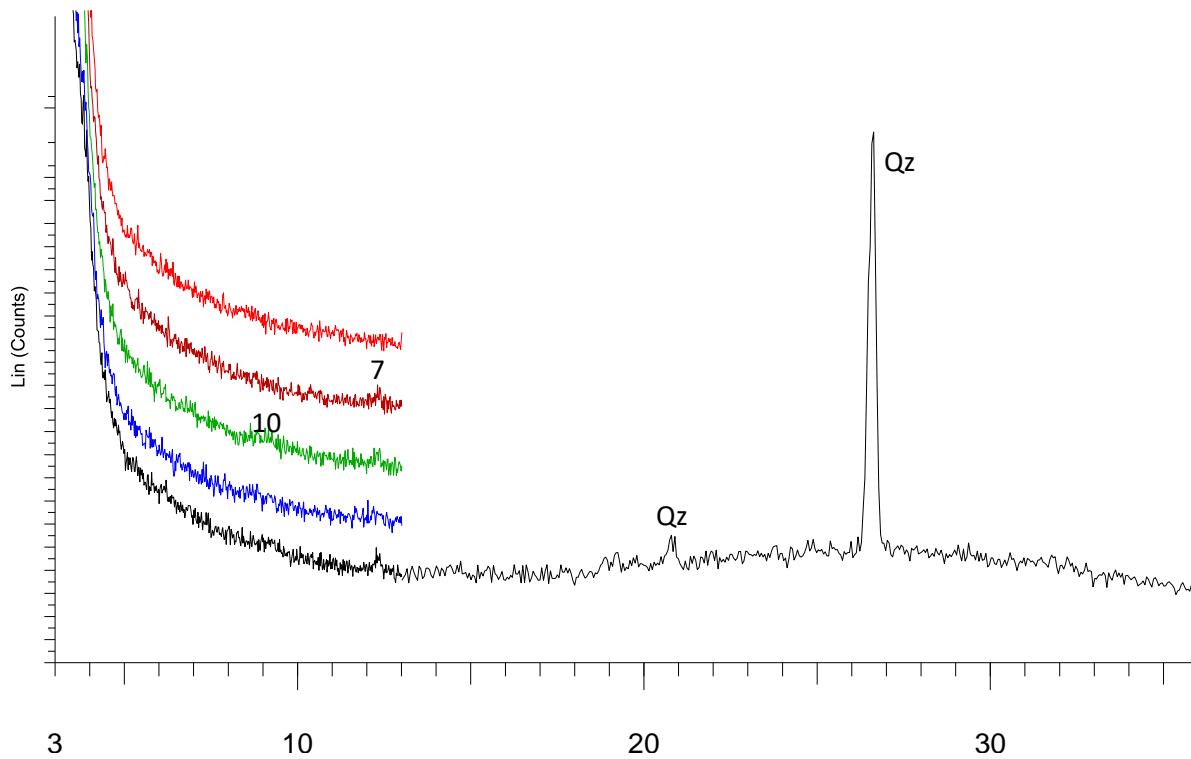
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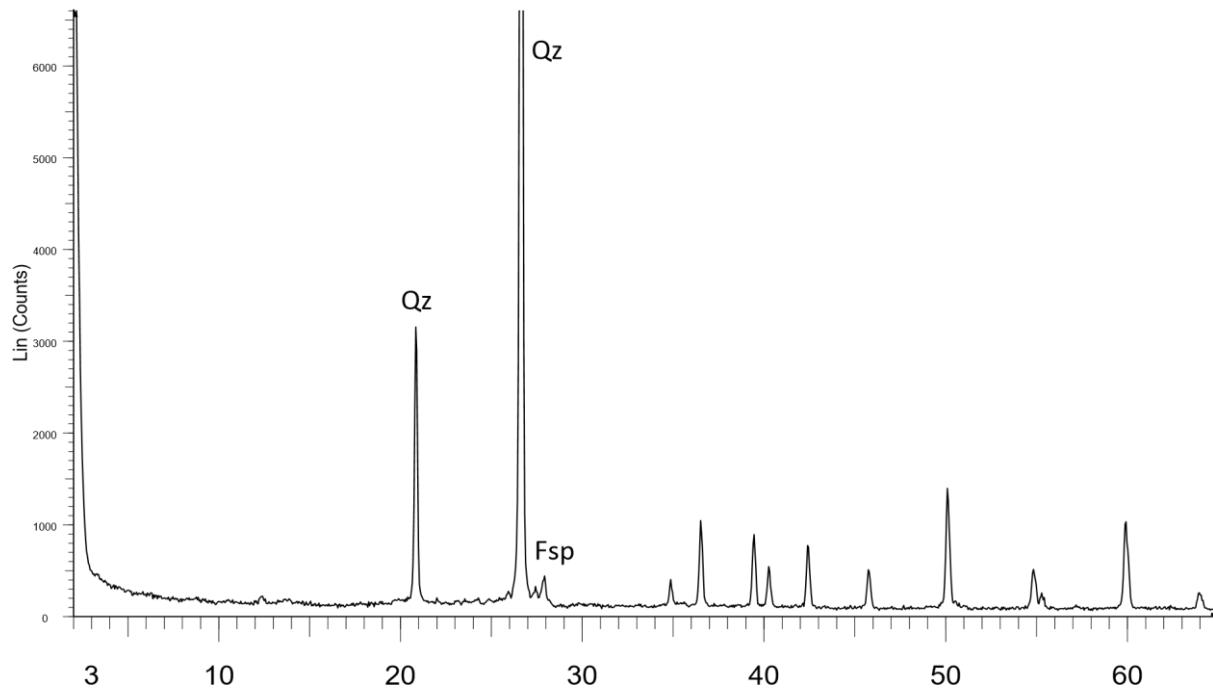
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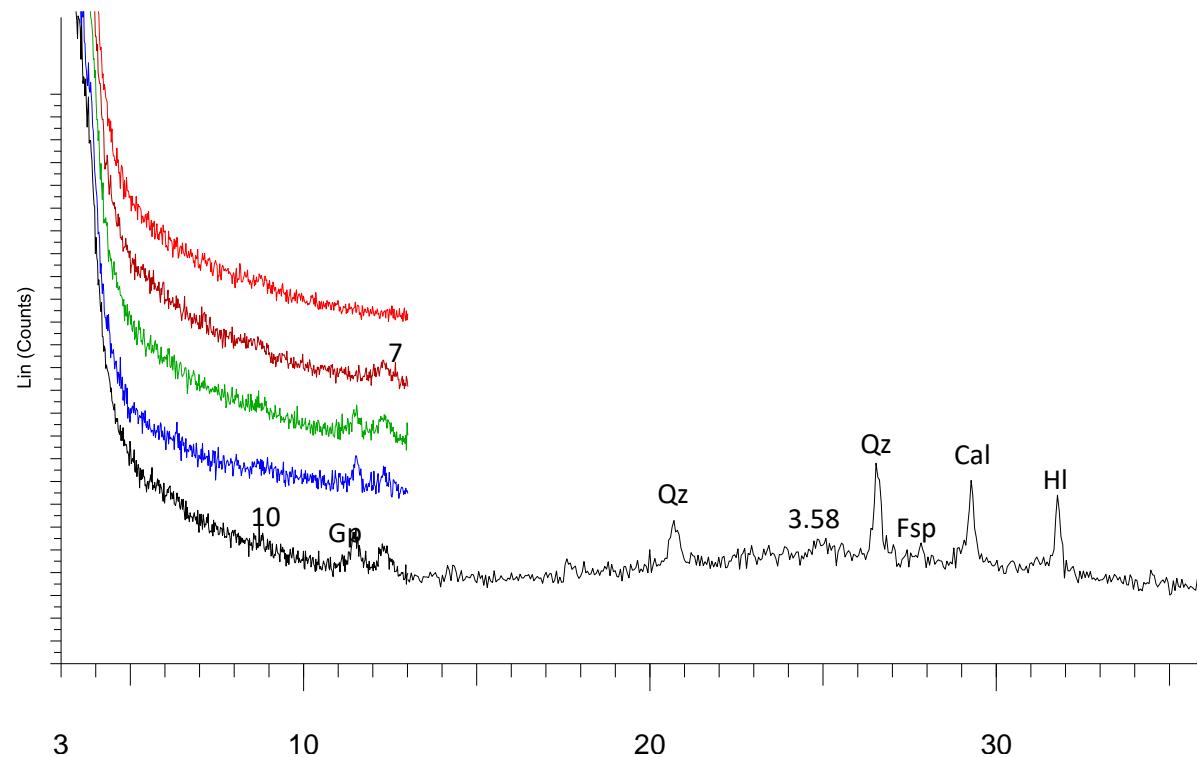
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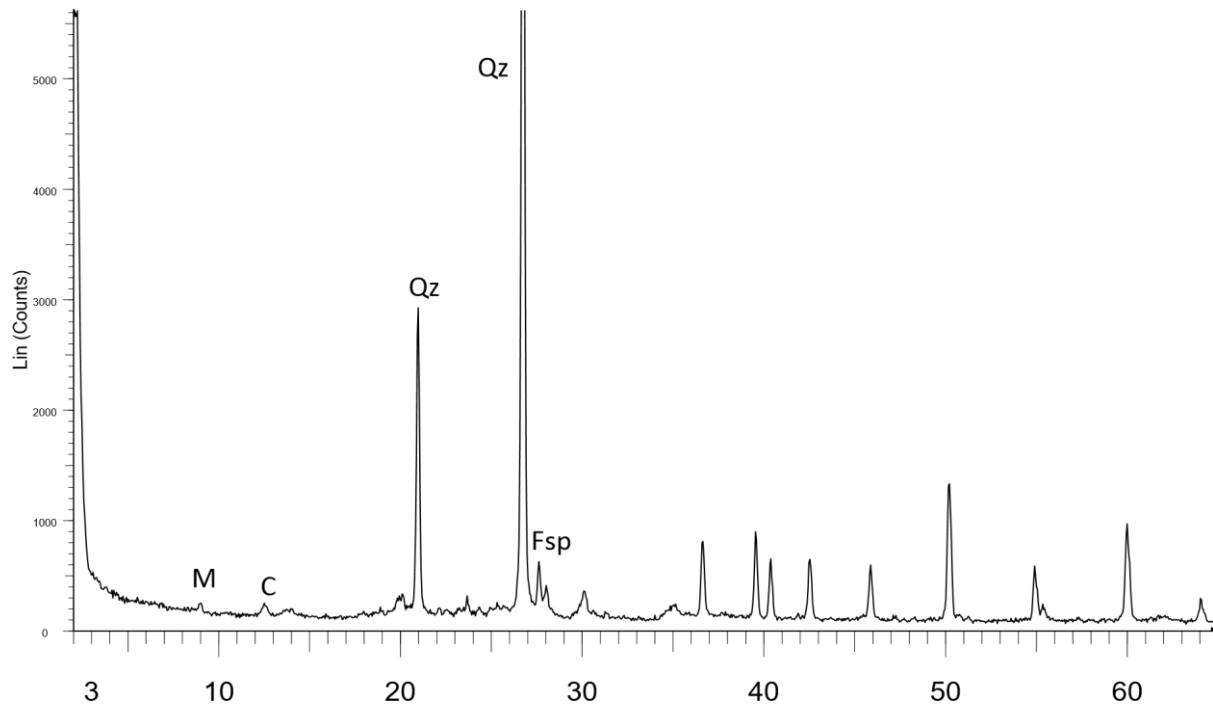
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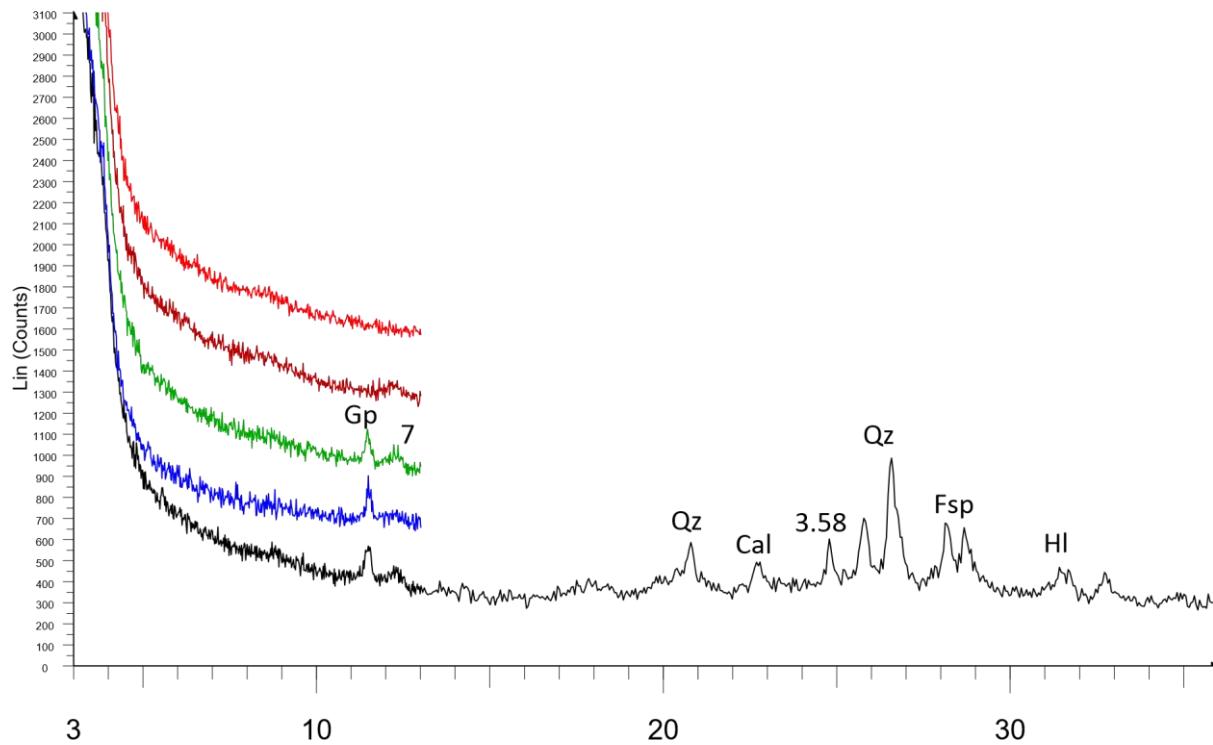
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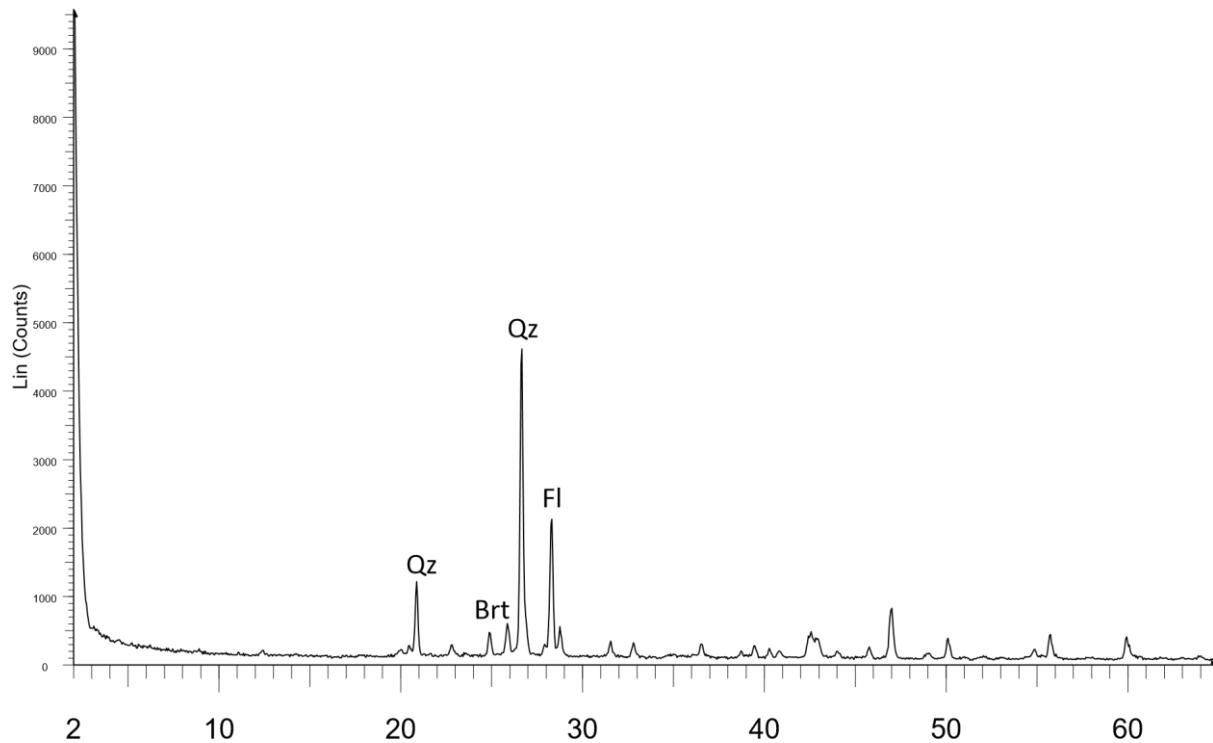
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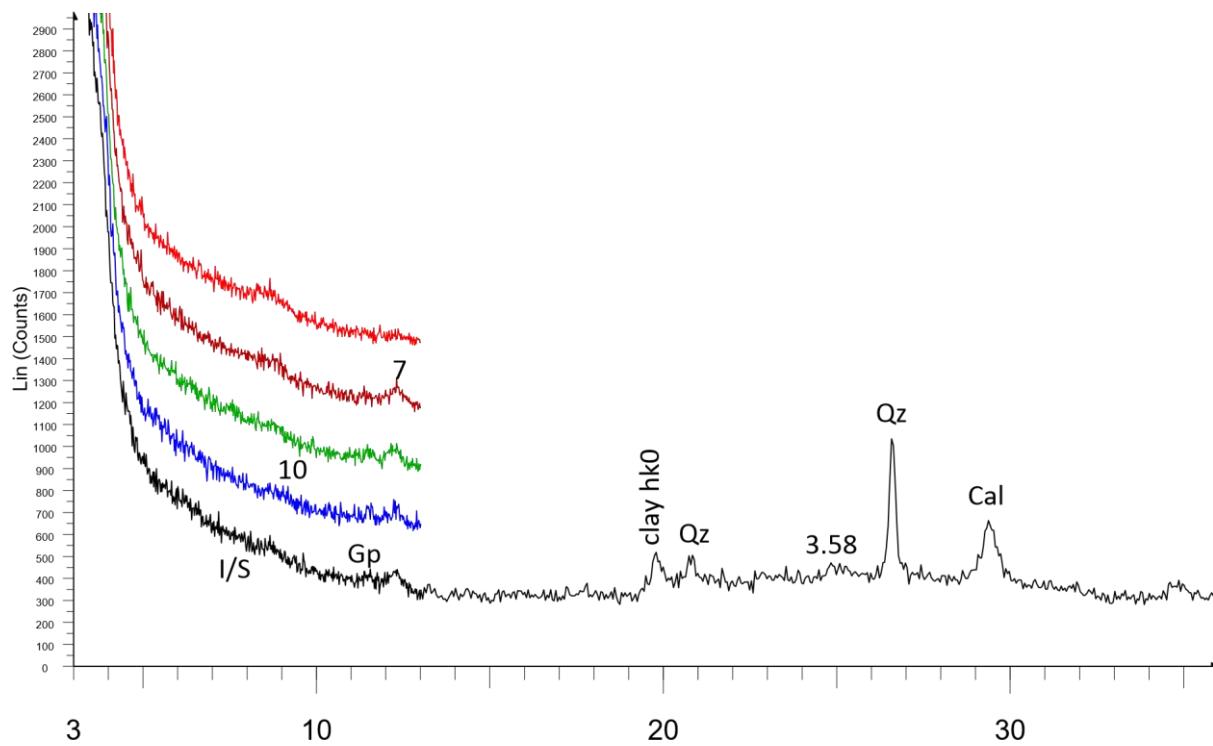
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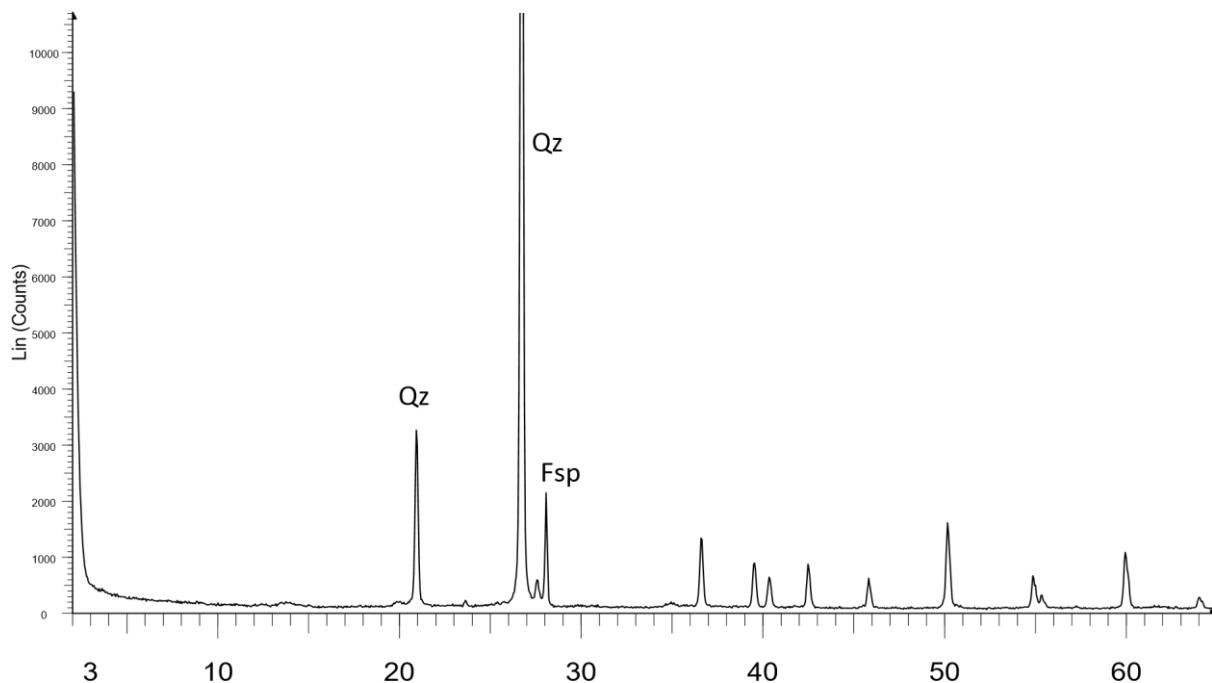
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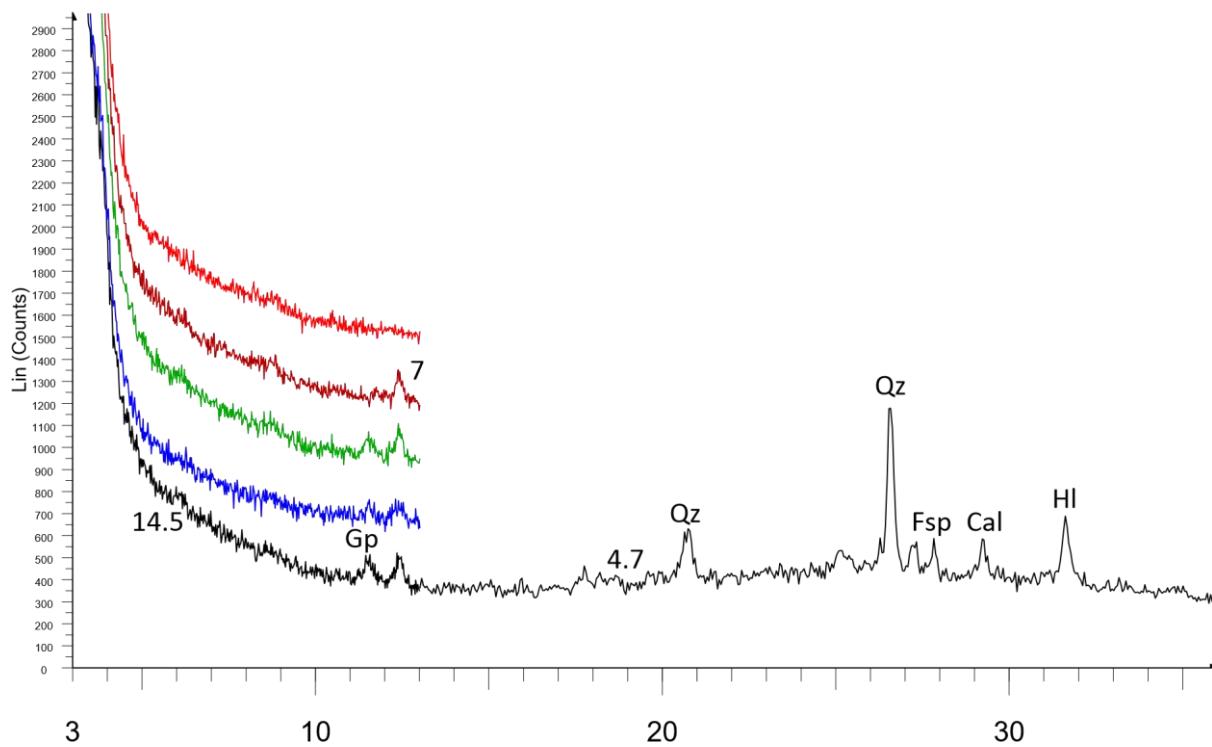
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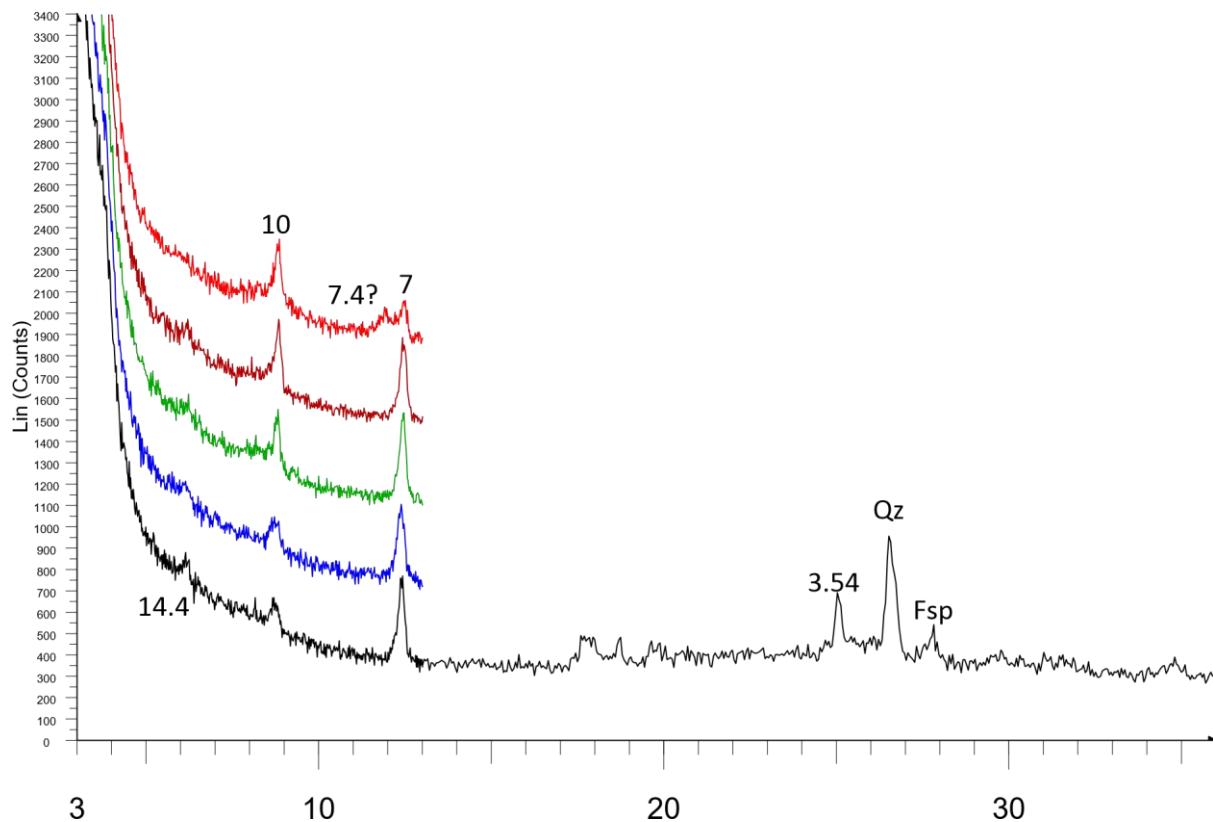
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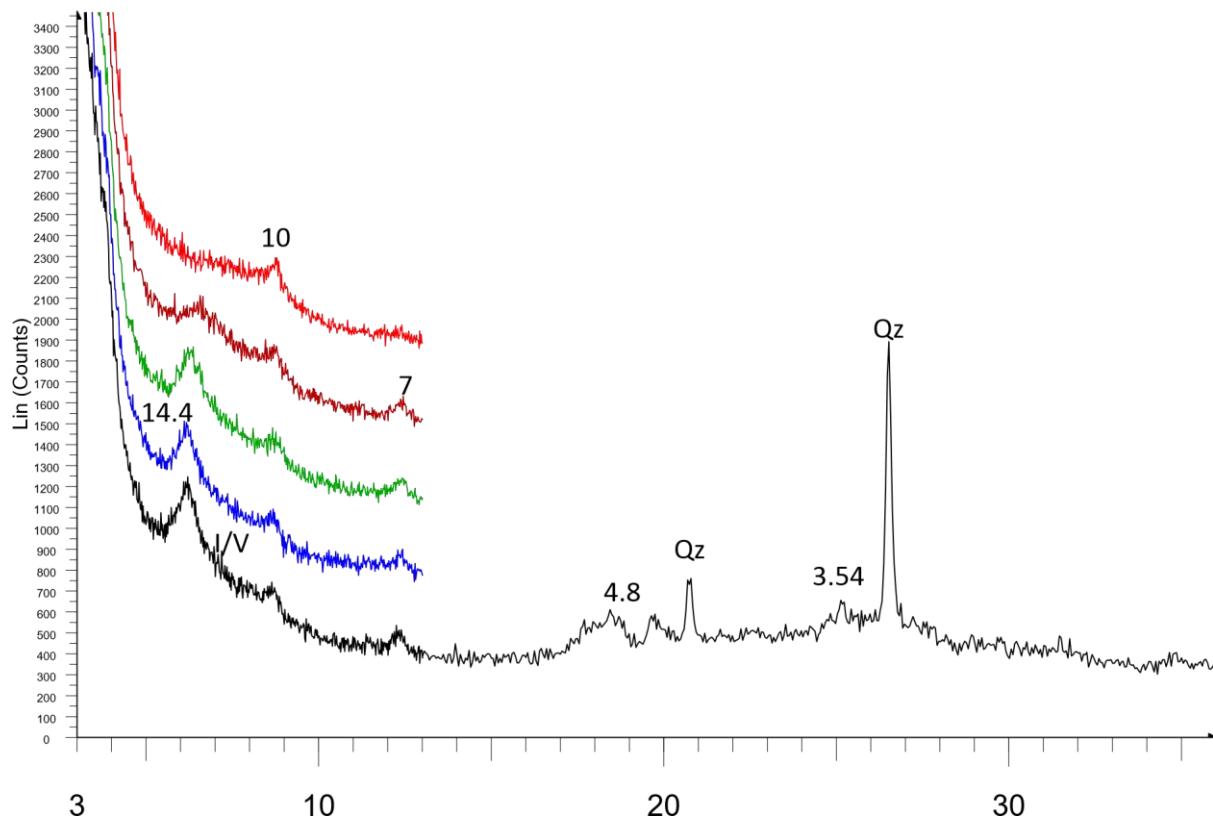
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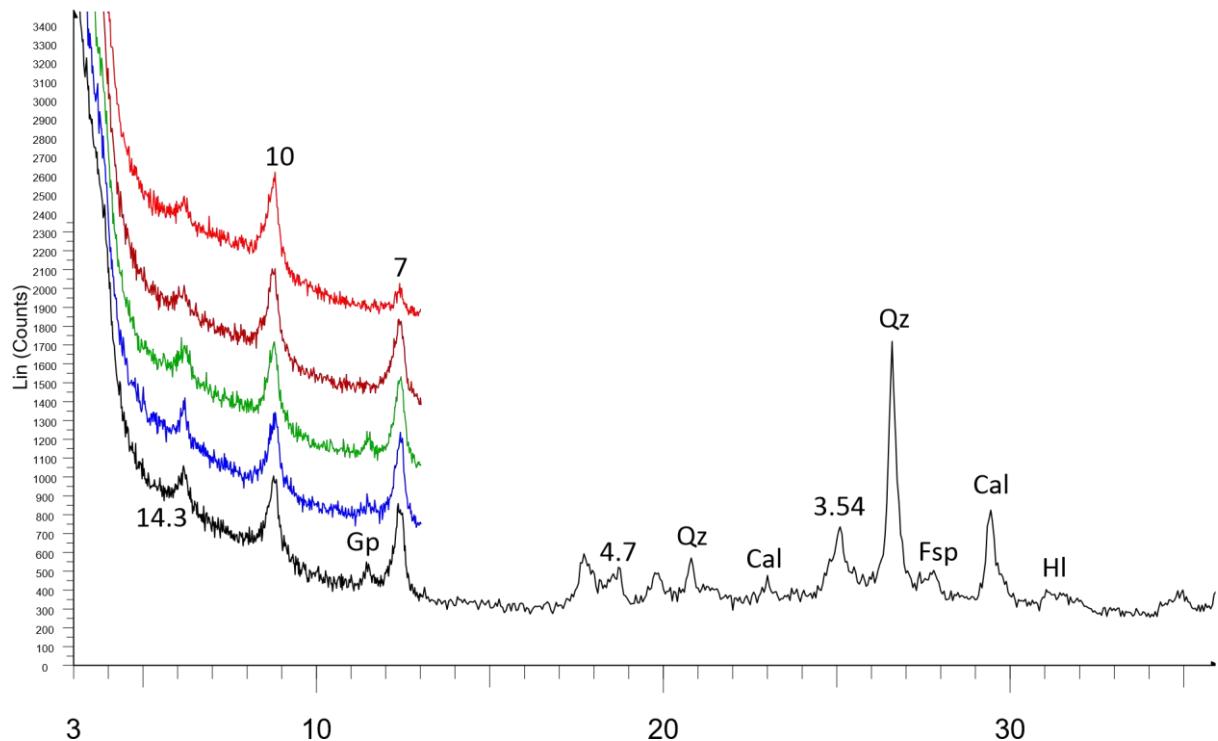


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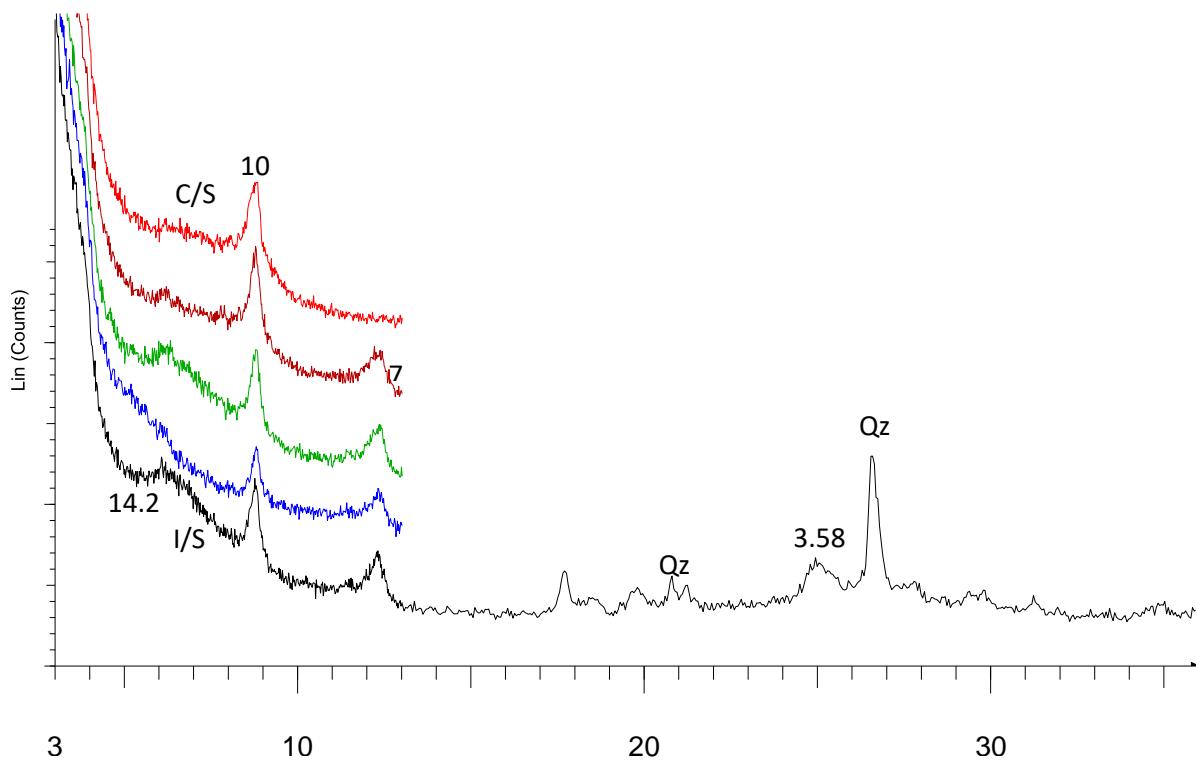


## Annex 20. RX Diffractograms from Austria

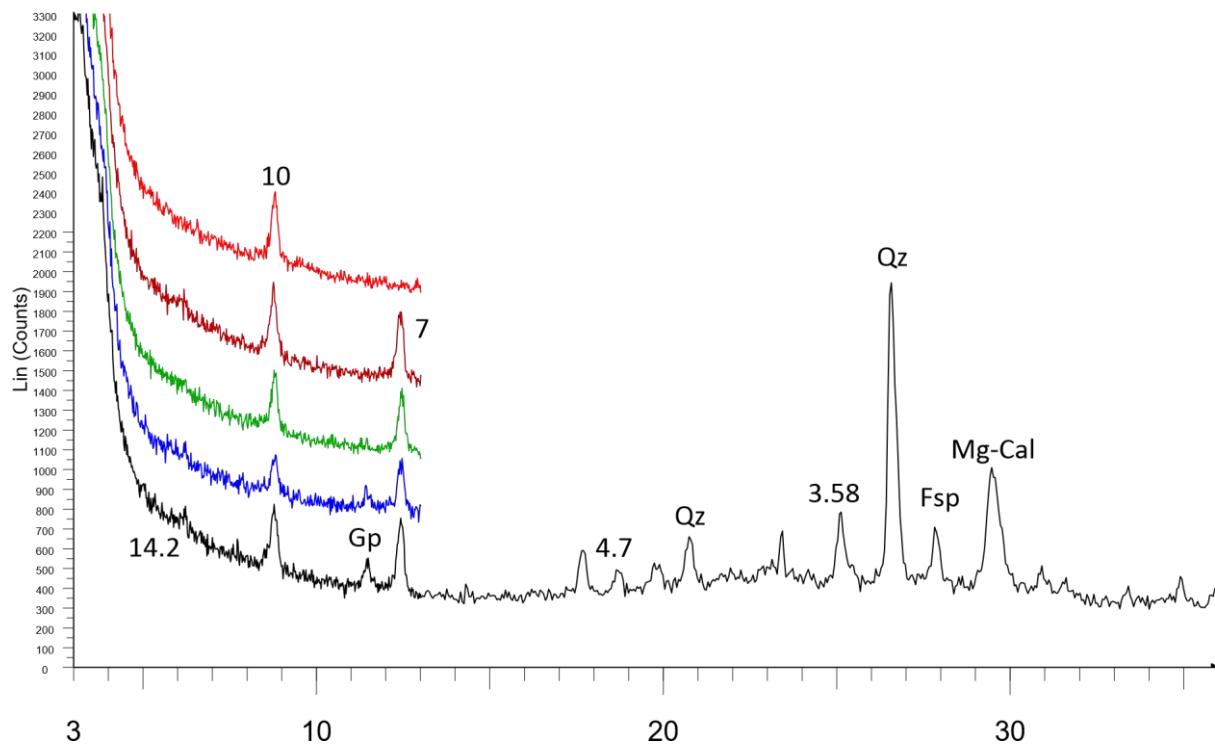
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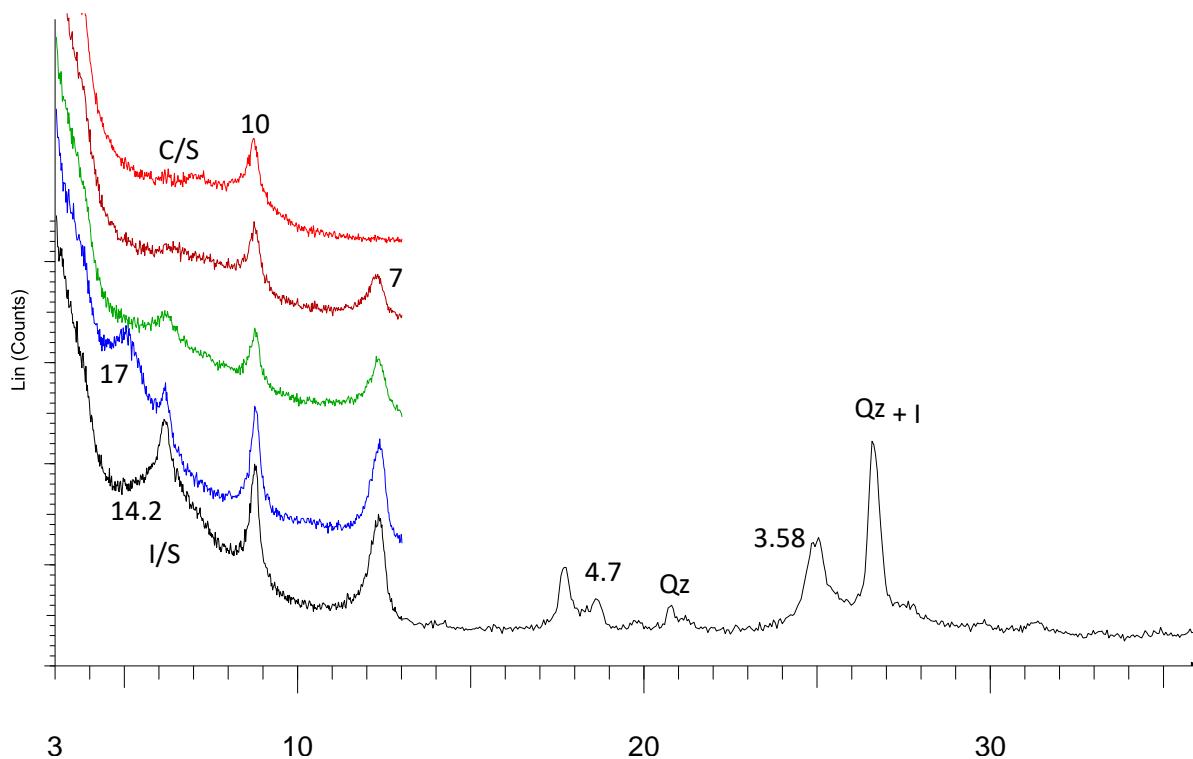
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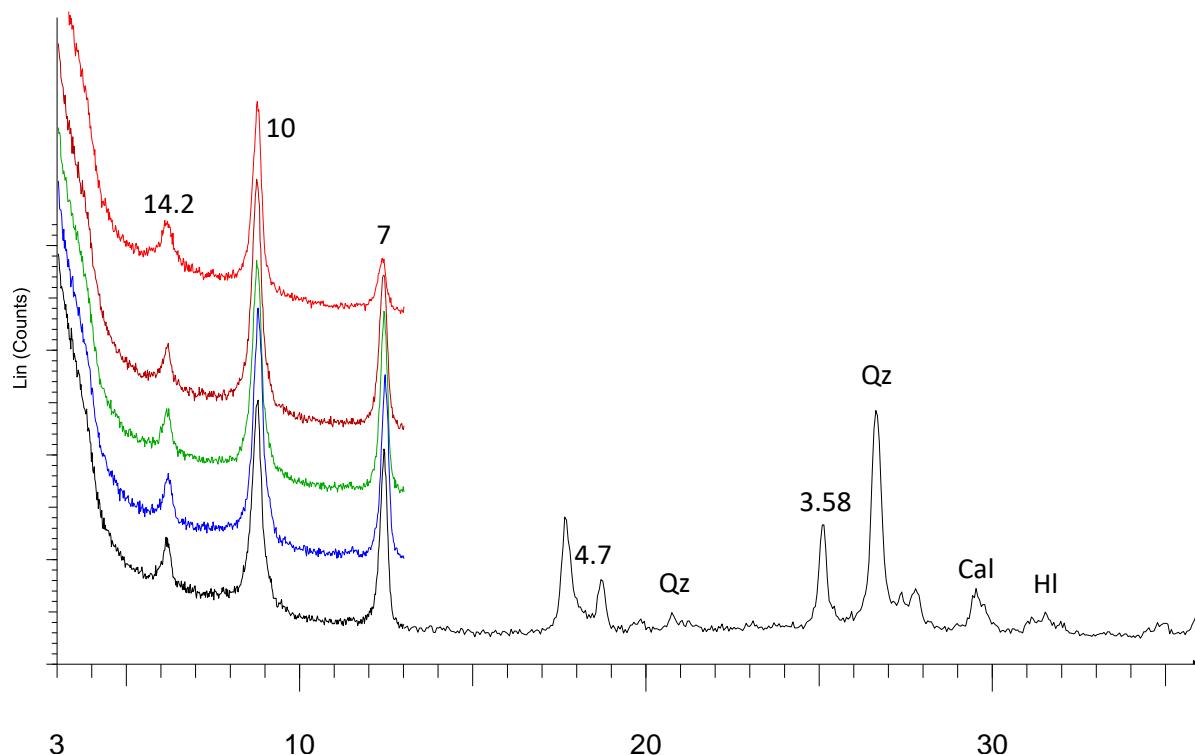
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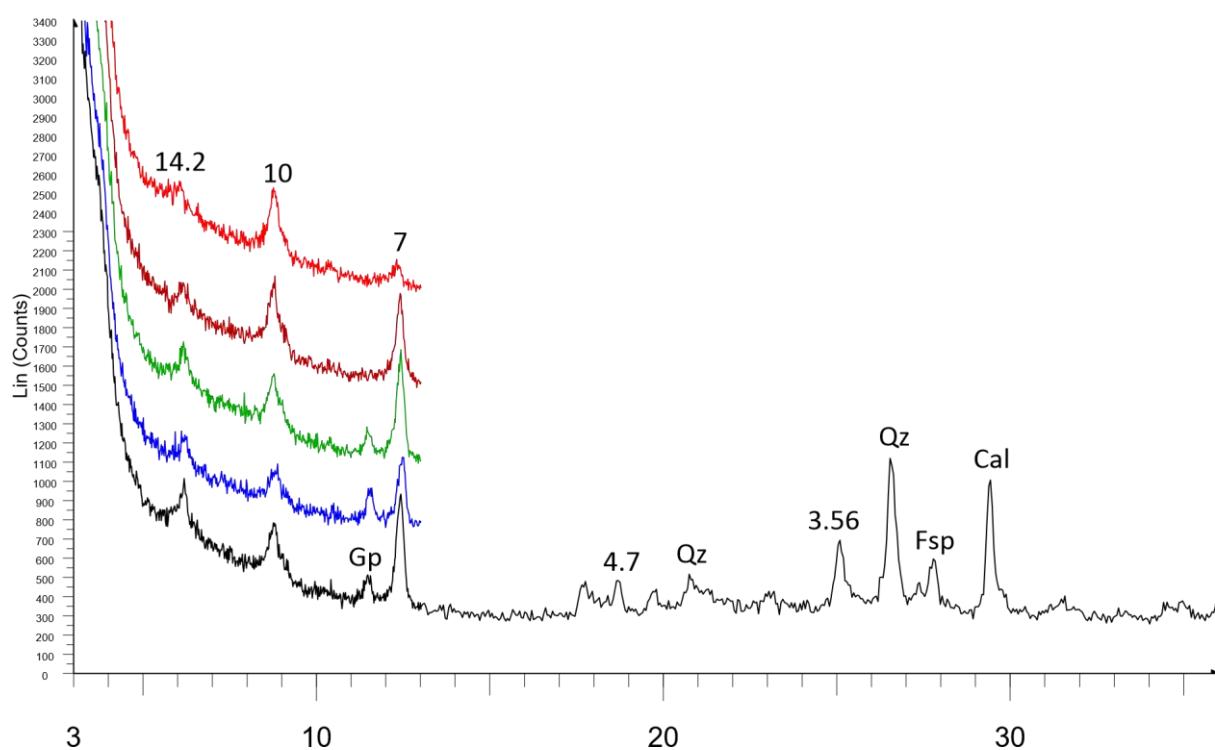
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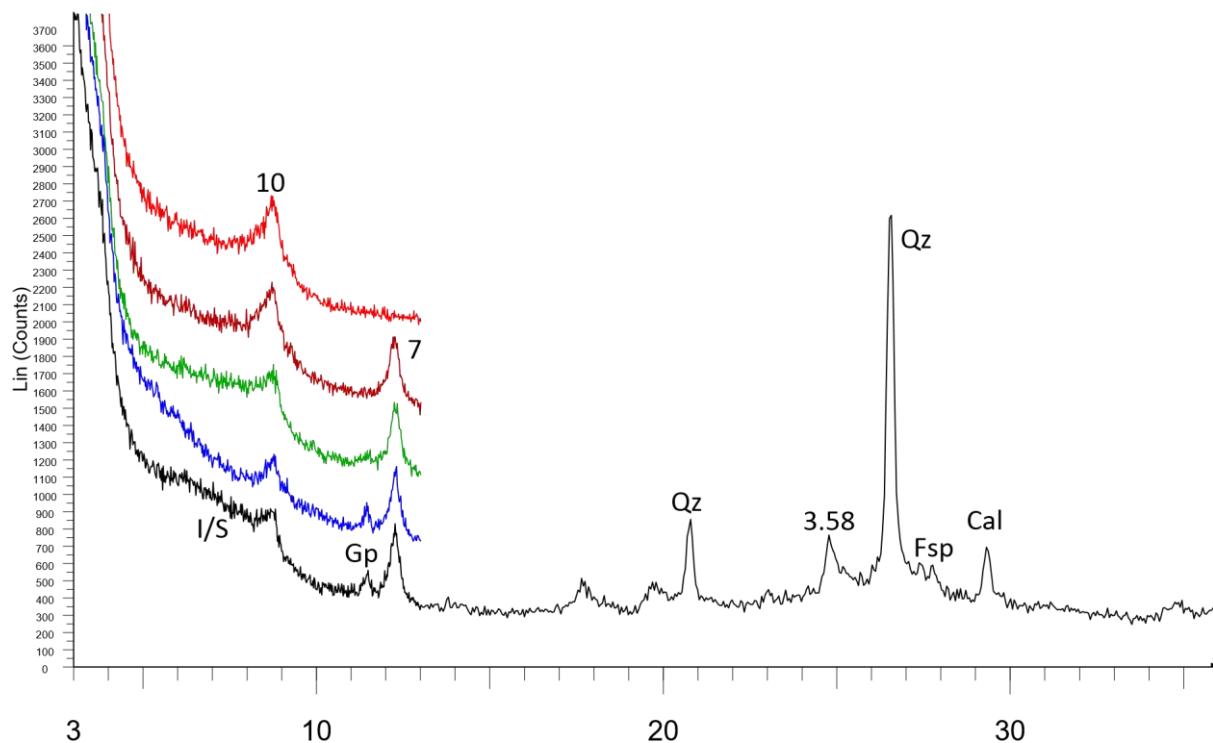


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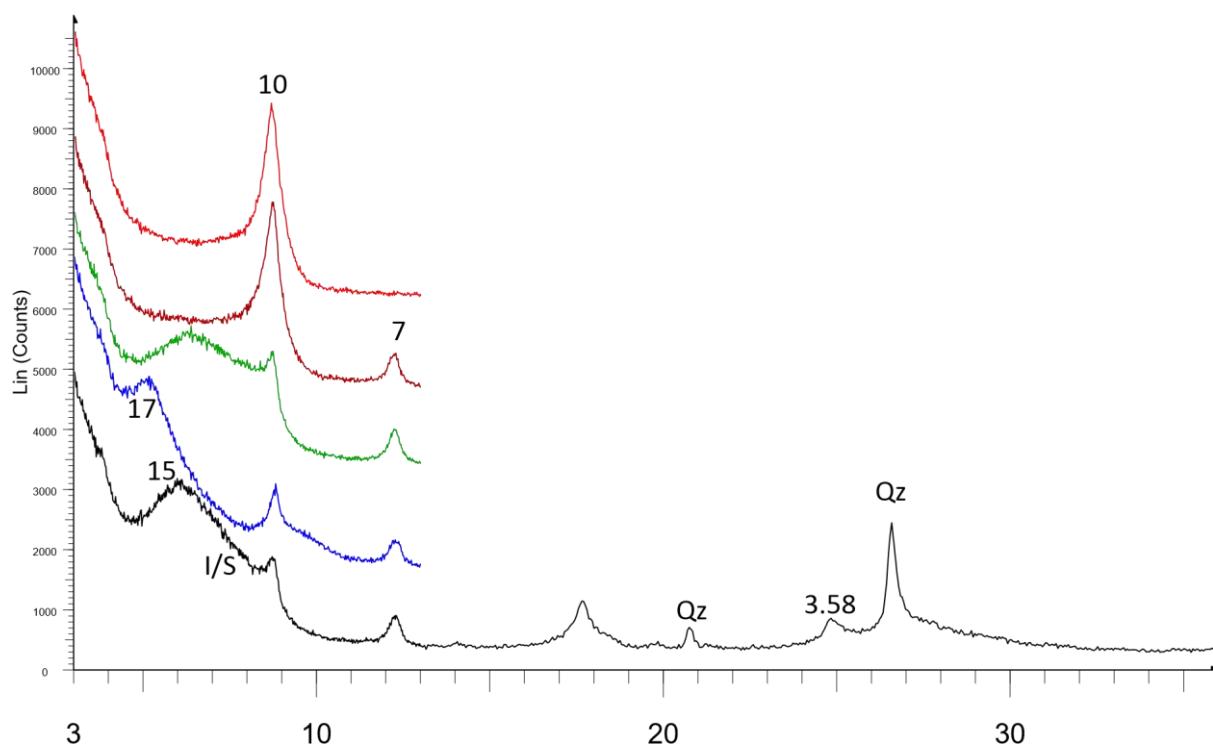


#### Annex 21. RX Diffractograms from Czechia

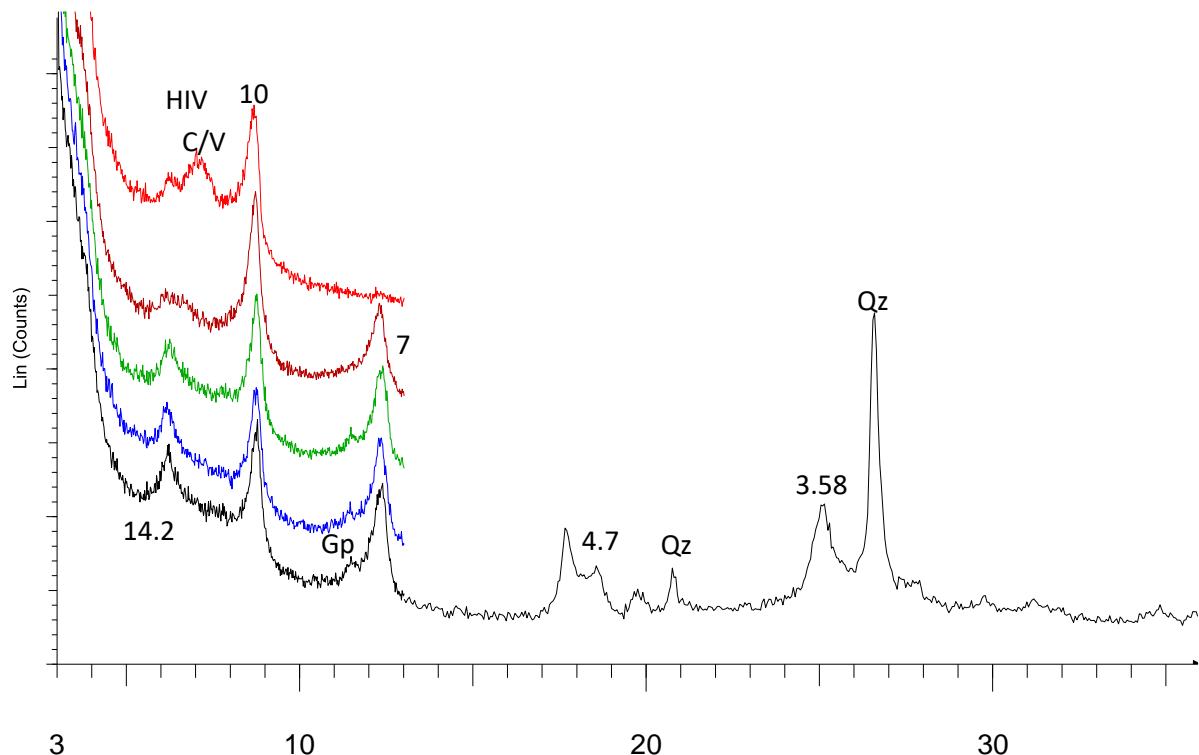
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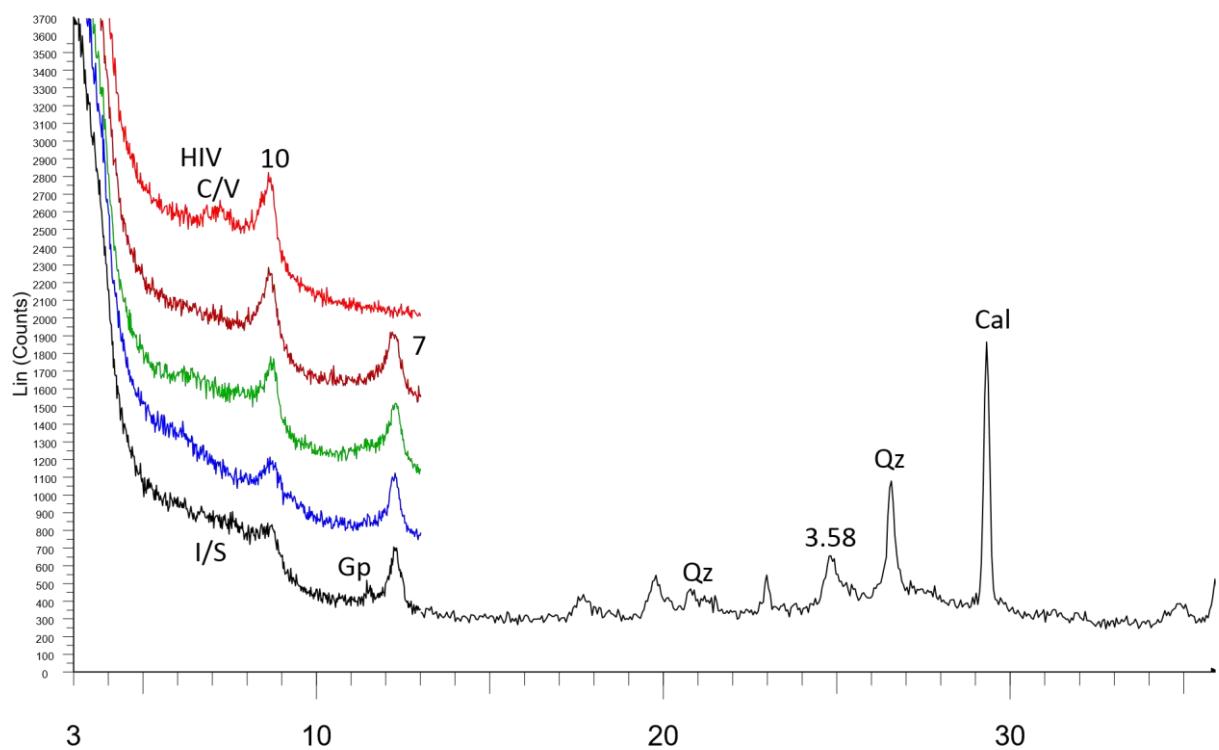
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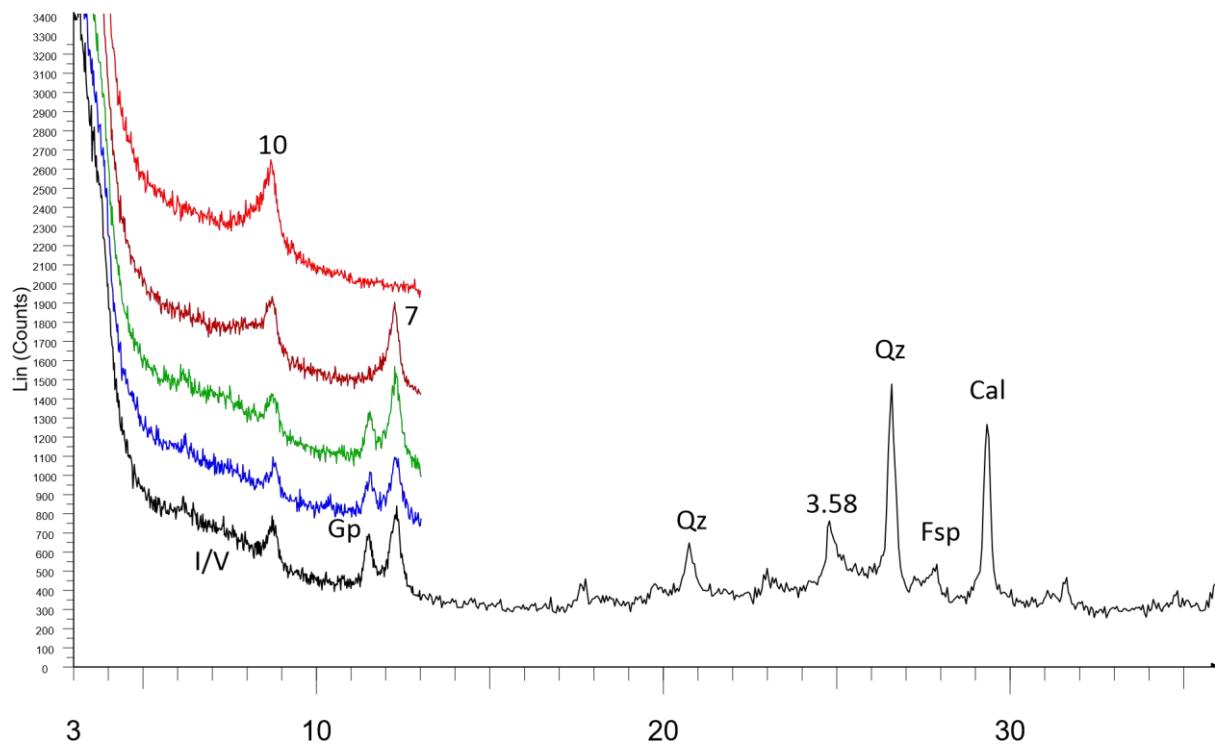
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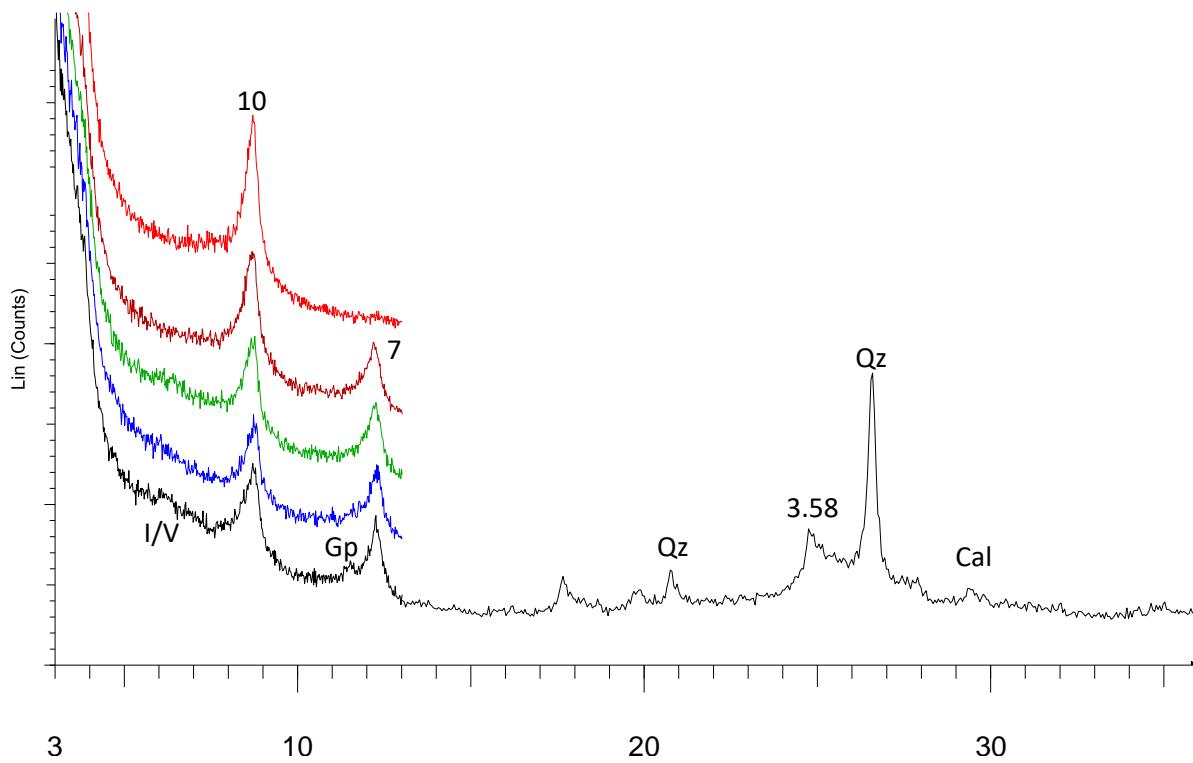
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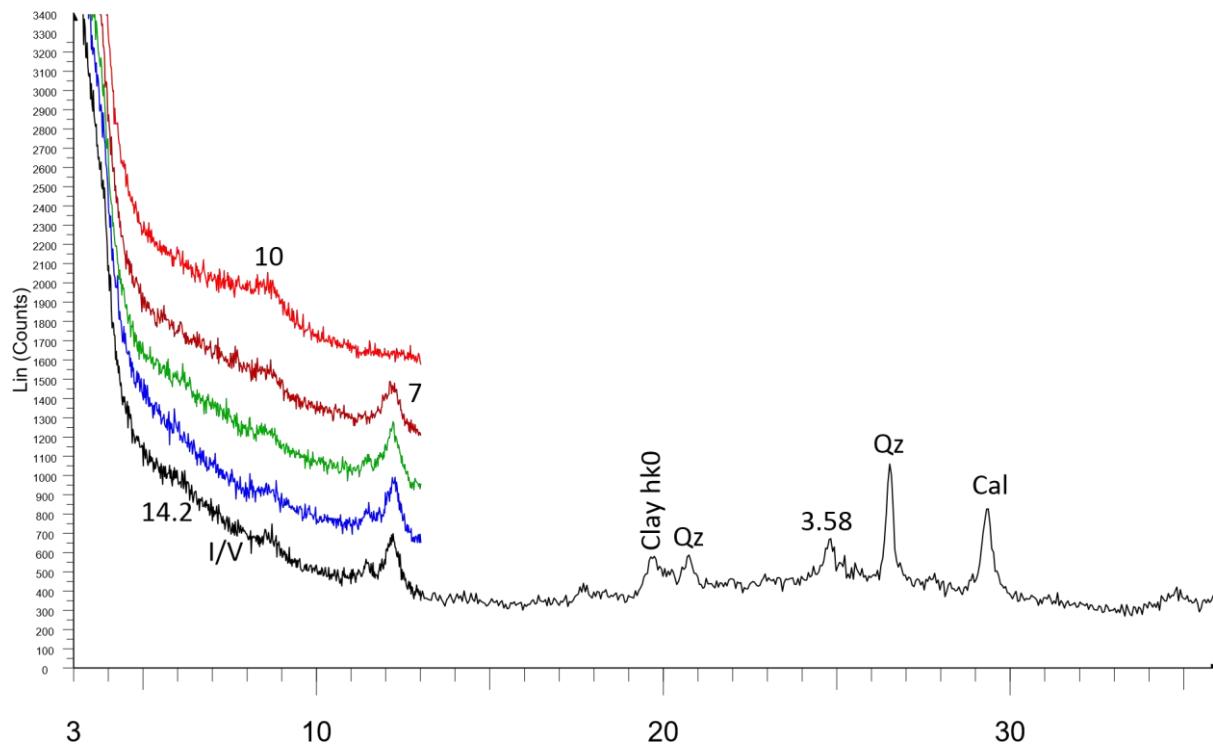
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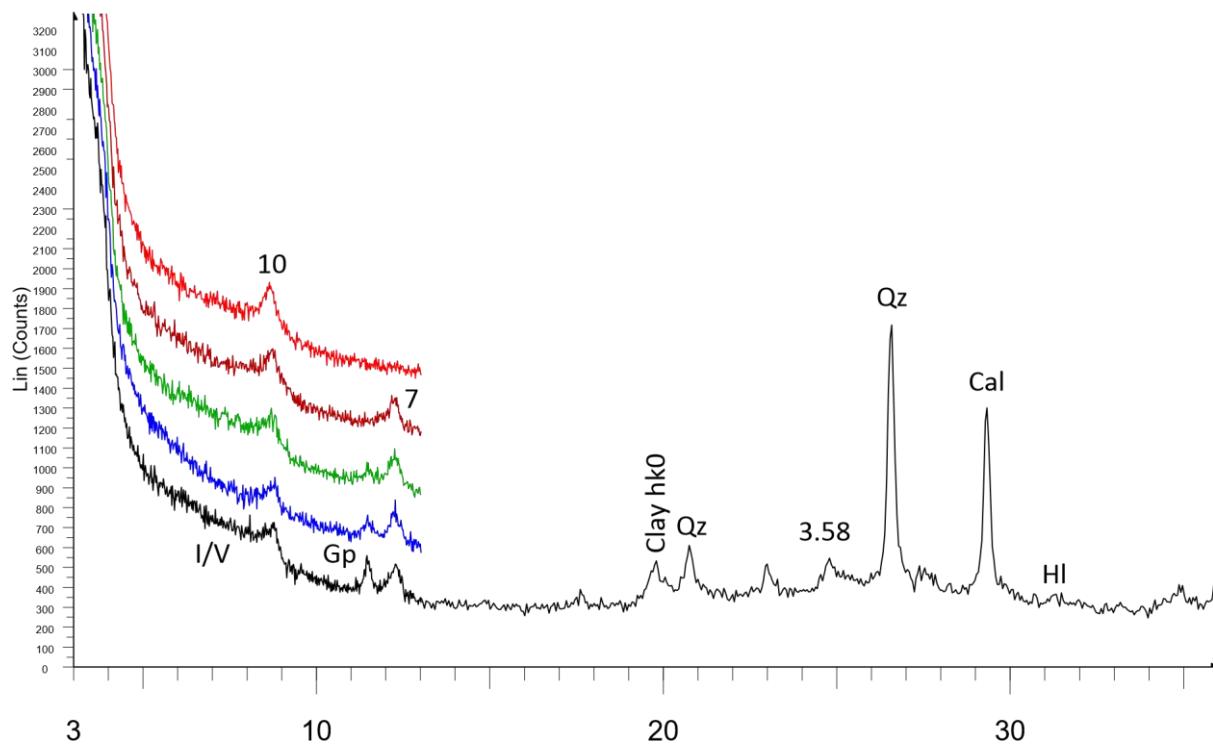
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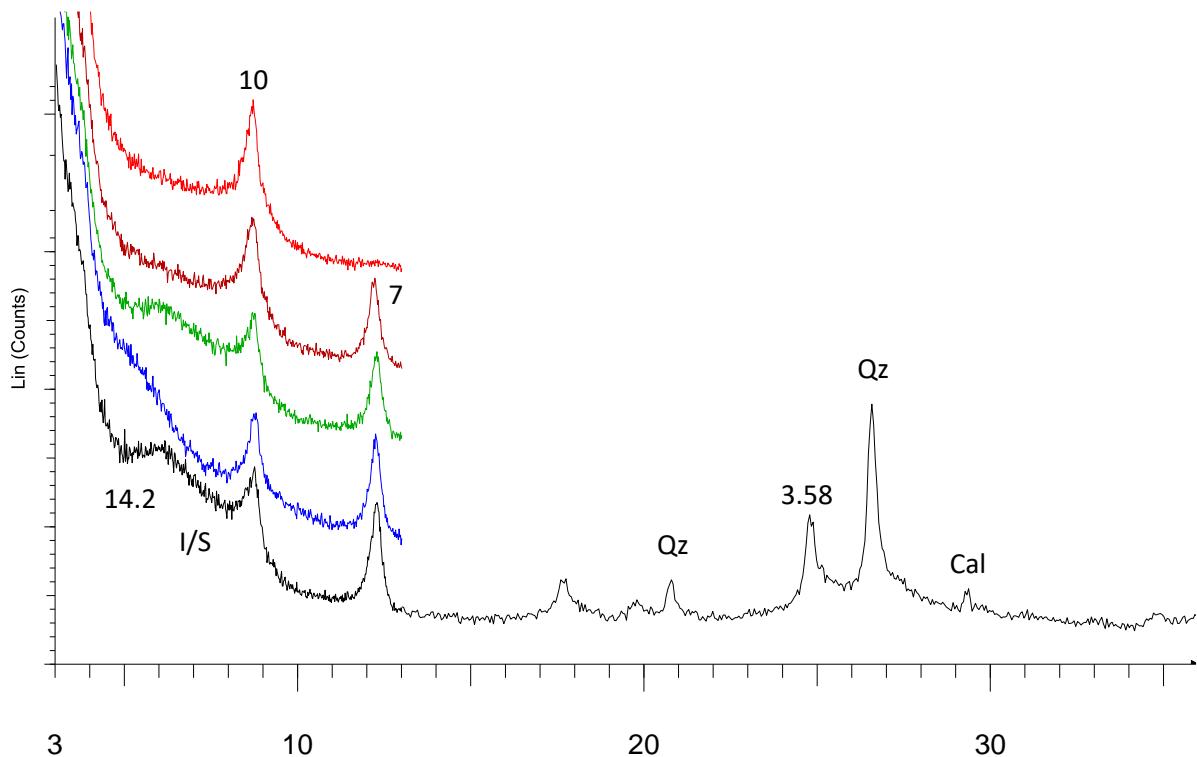
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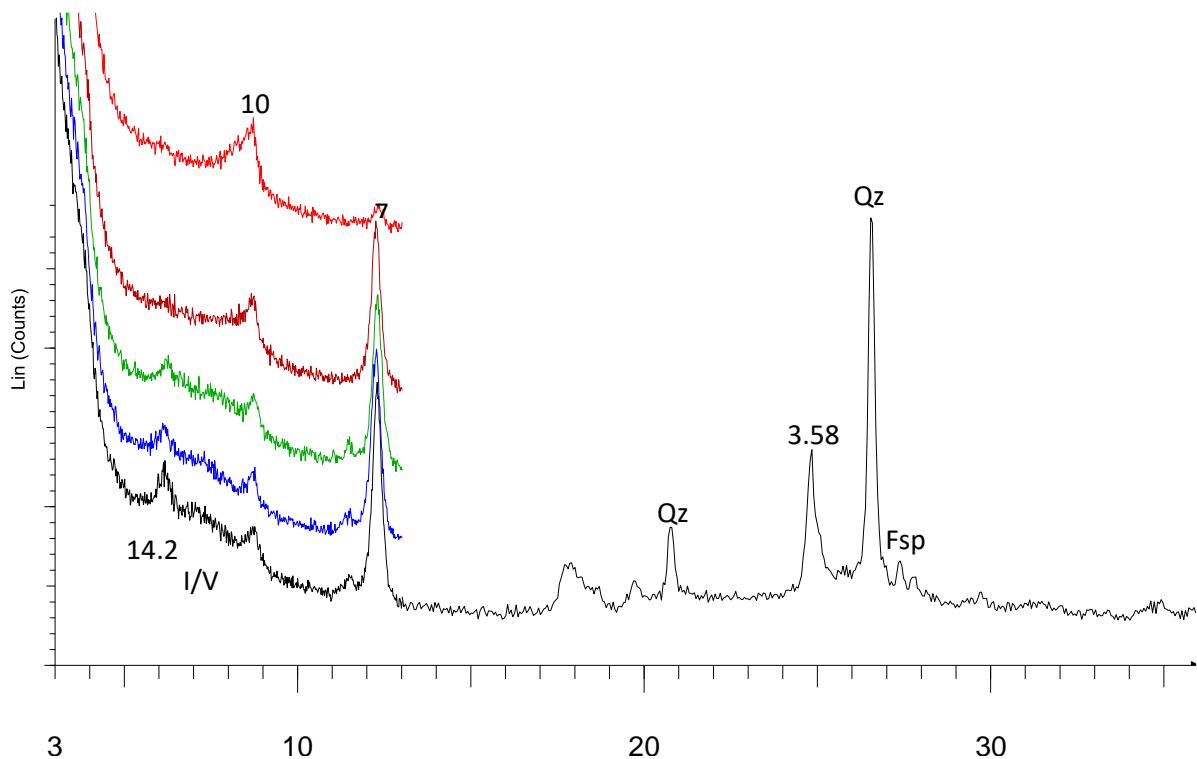
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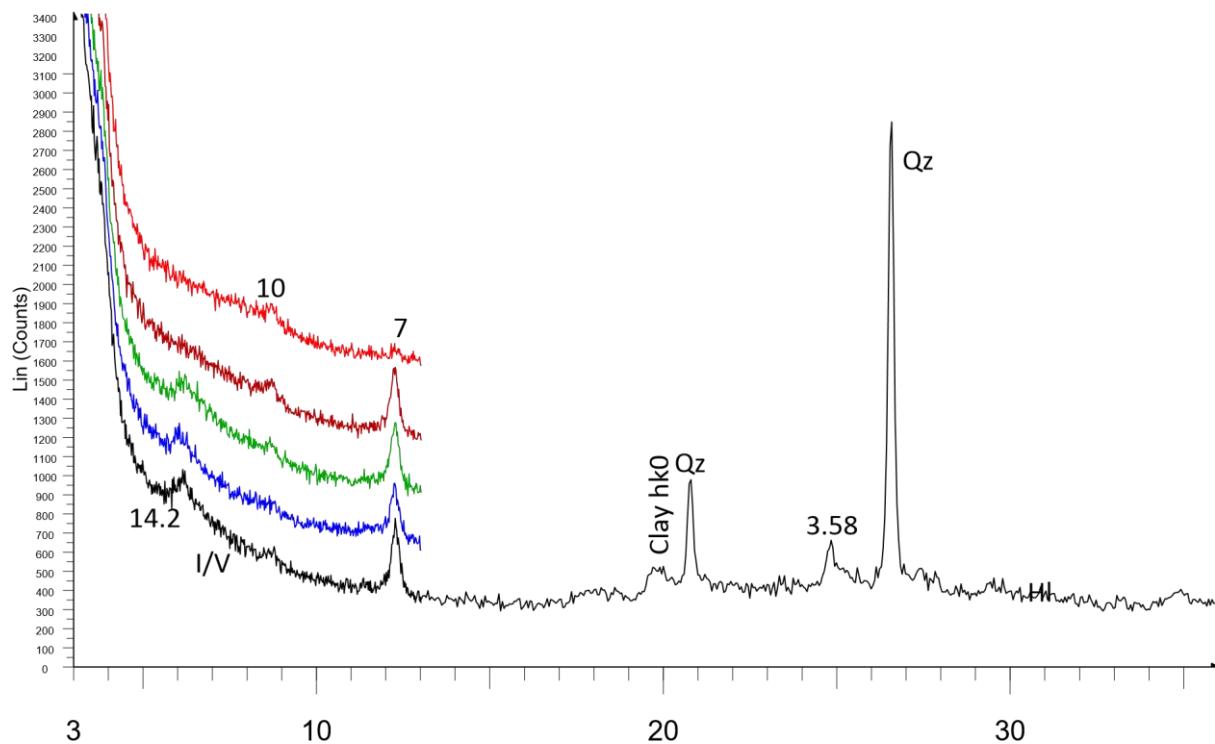
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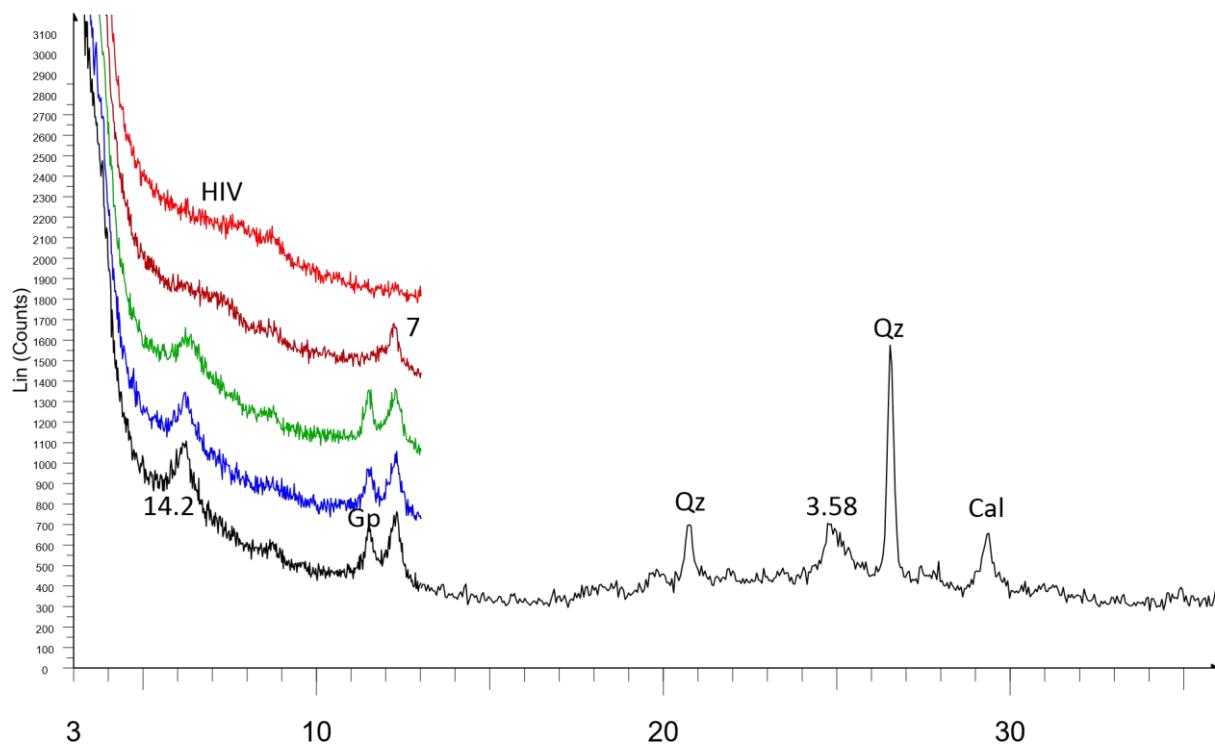
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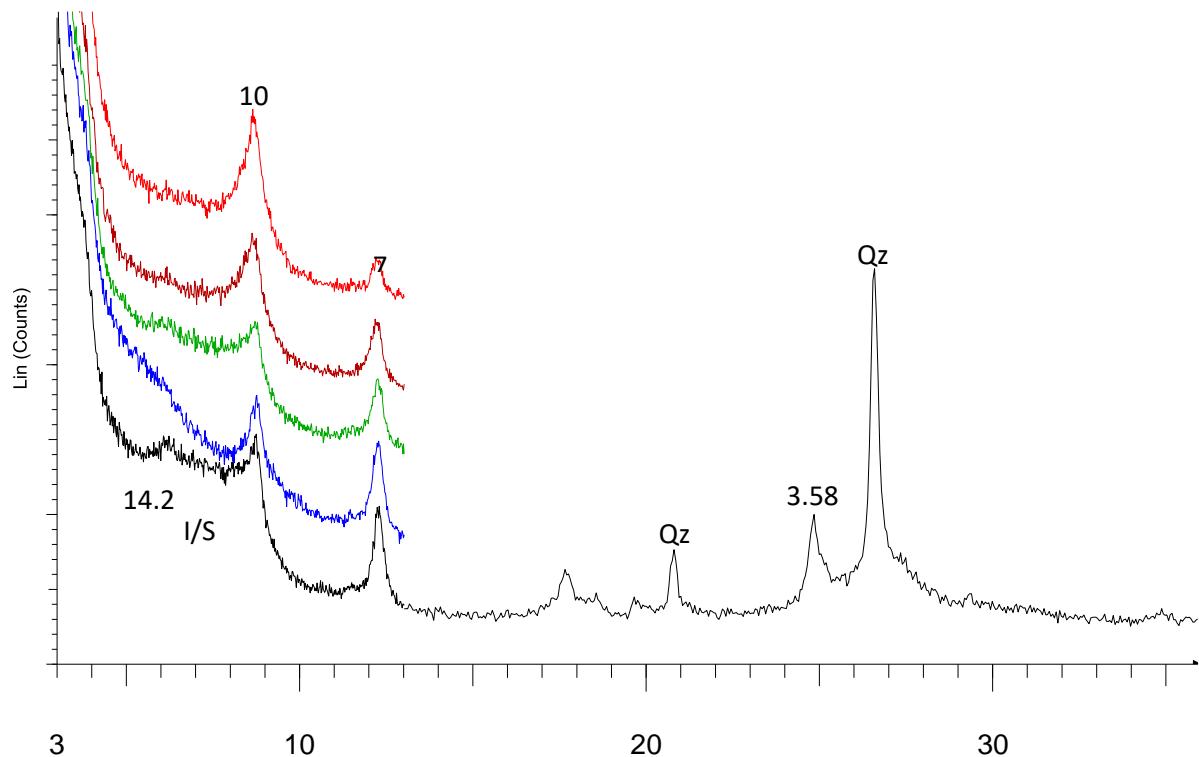
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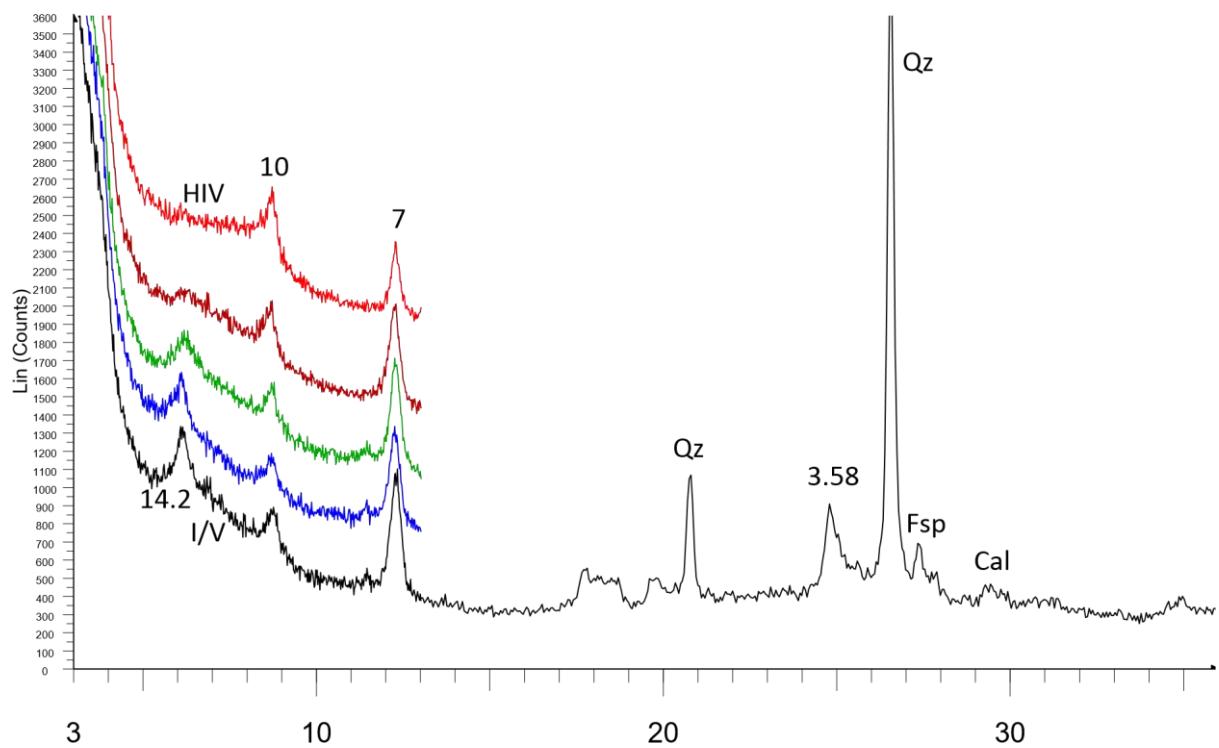
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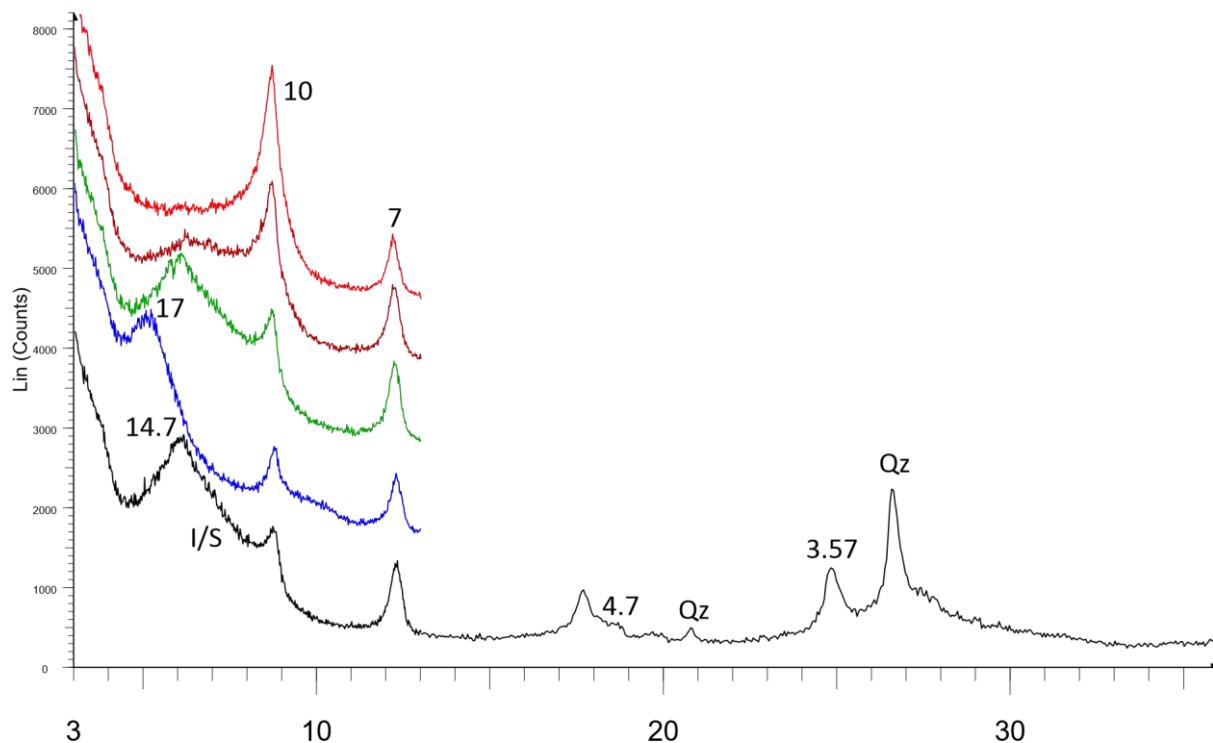


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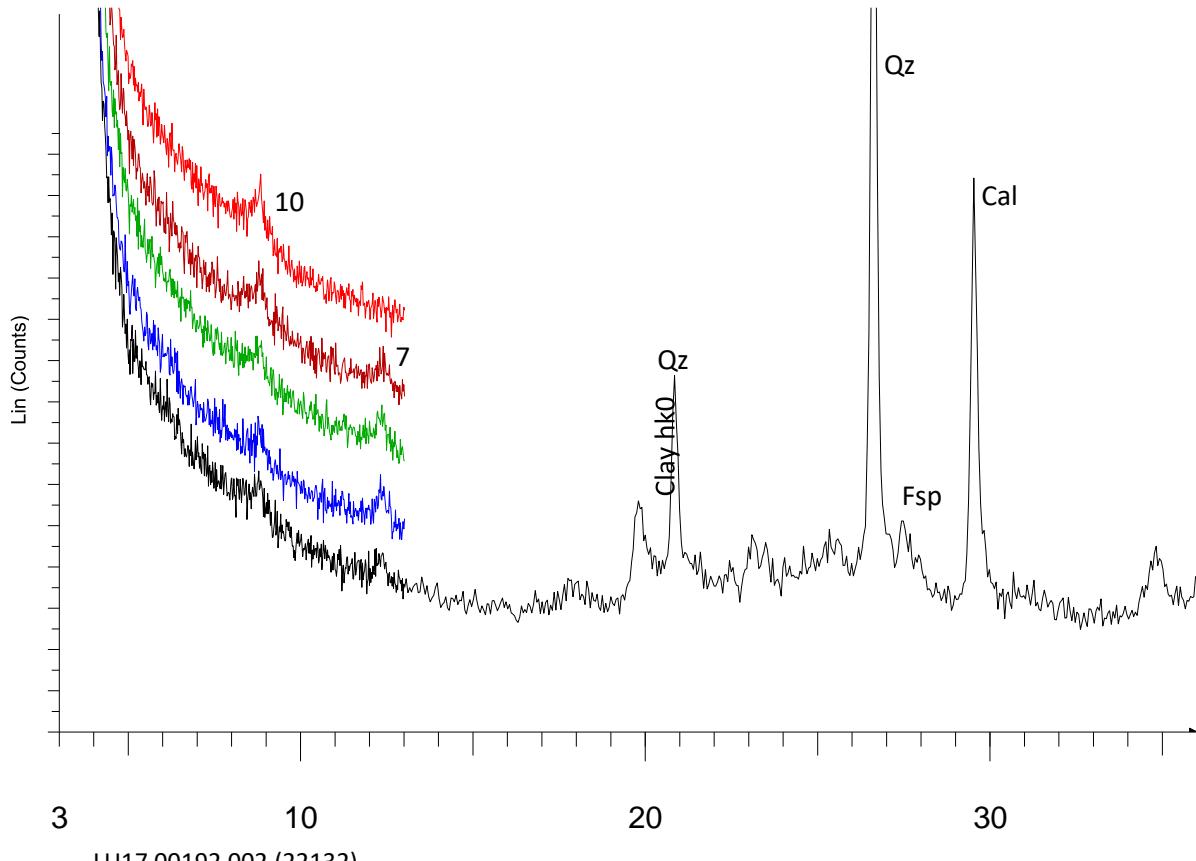
**Annex 22 RX Diffractograms from Belgium**

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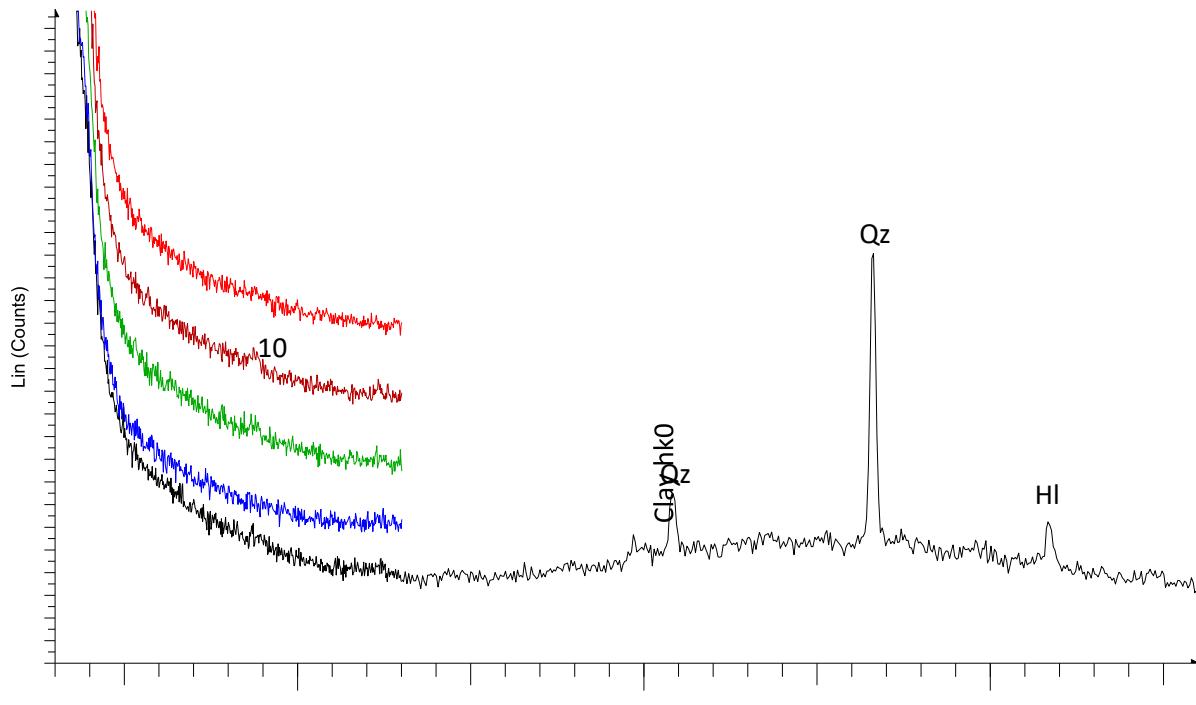
**Annex 23. RX Diffractograms from France**

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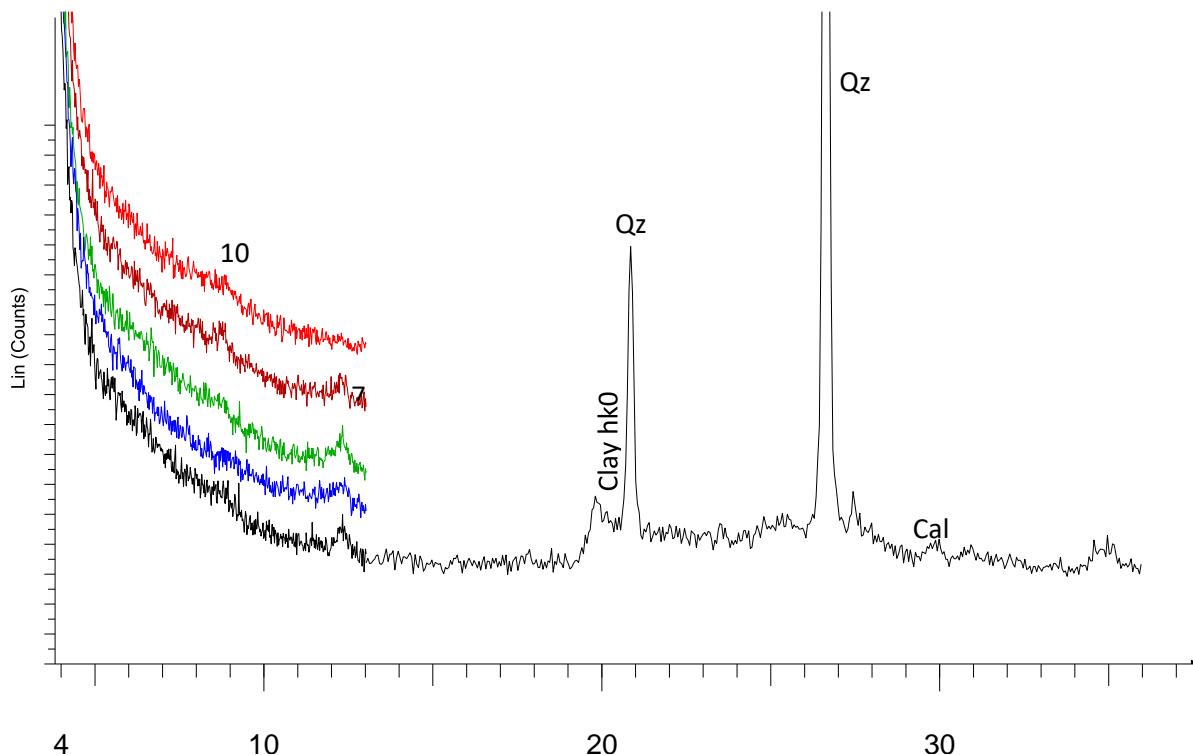
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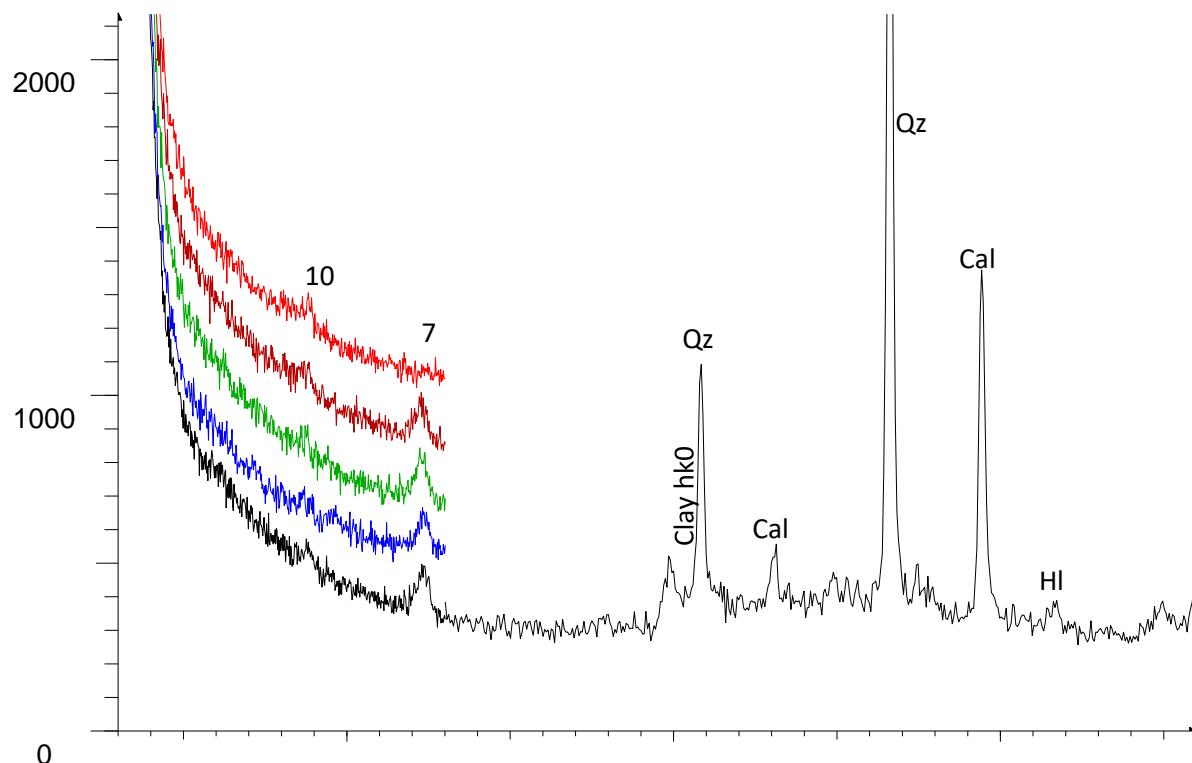


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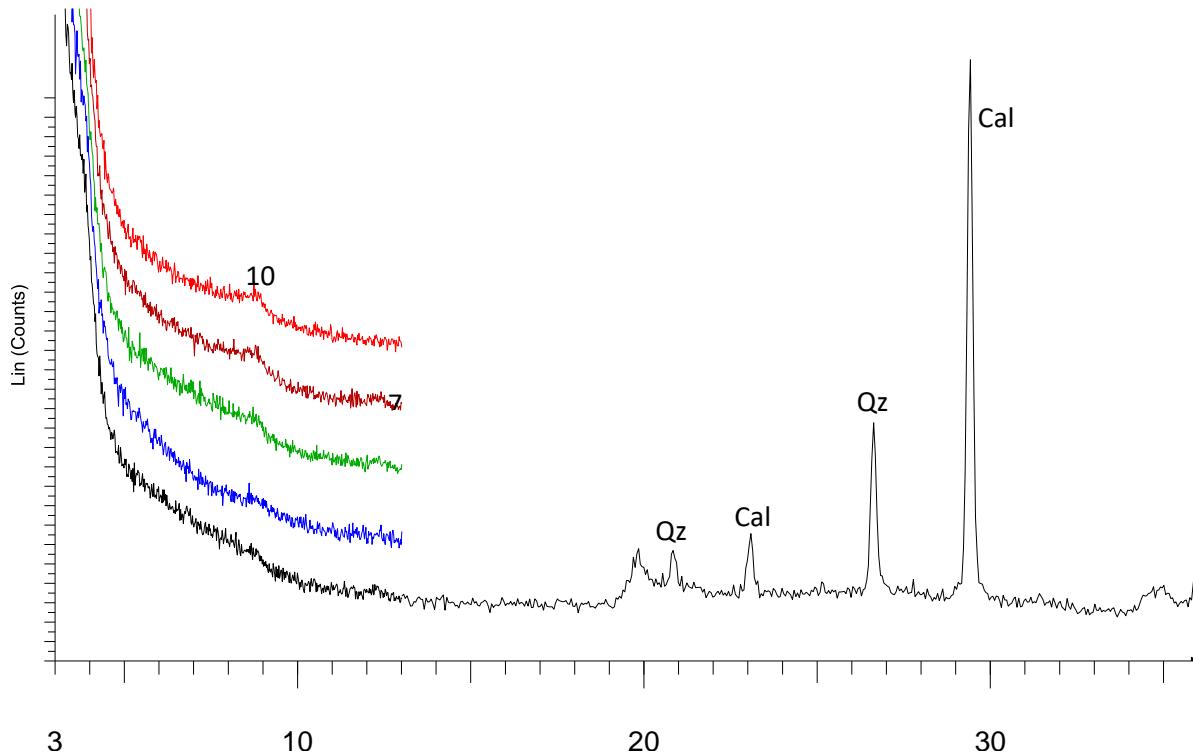
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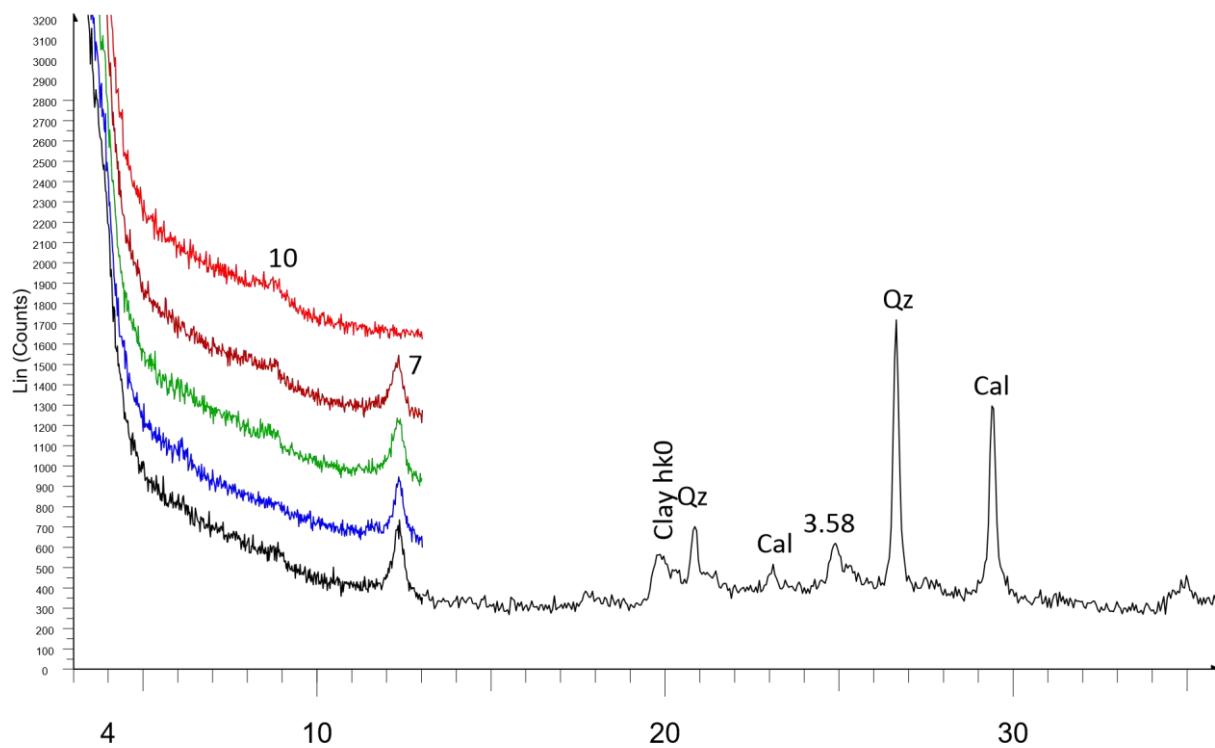
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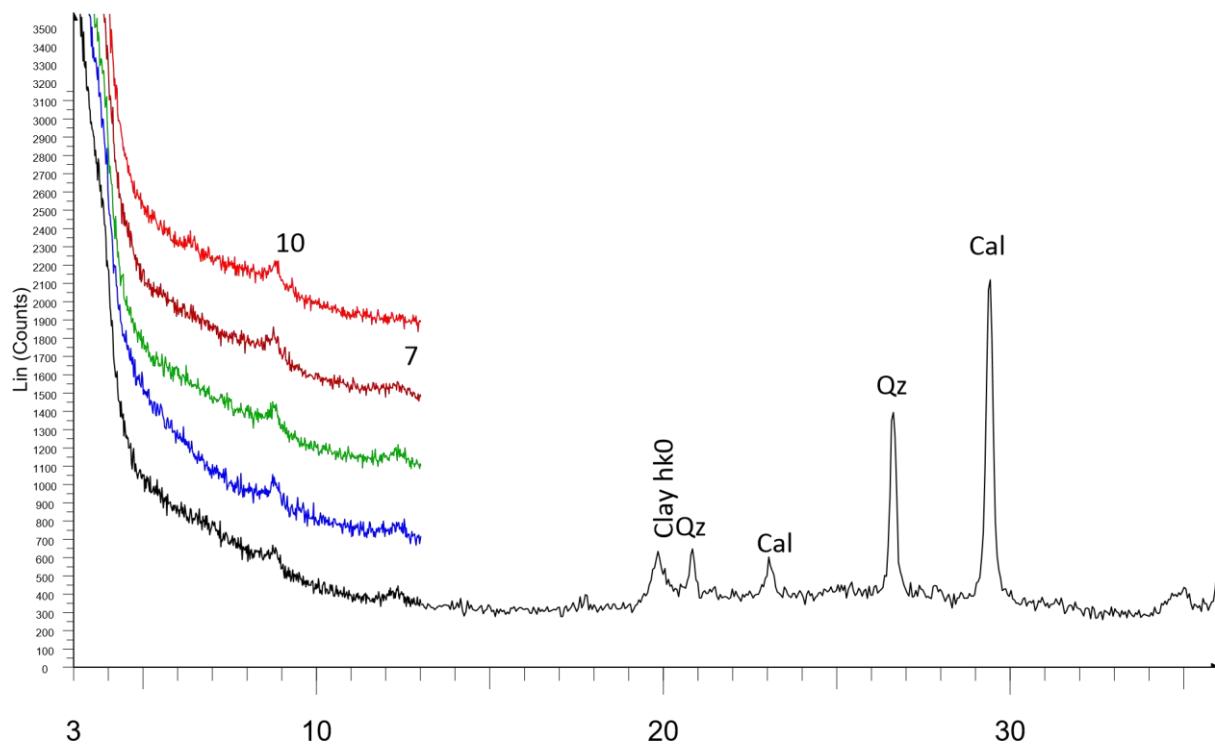
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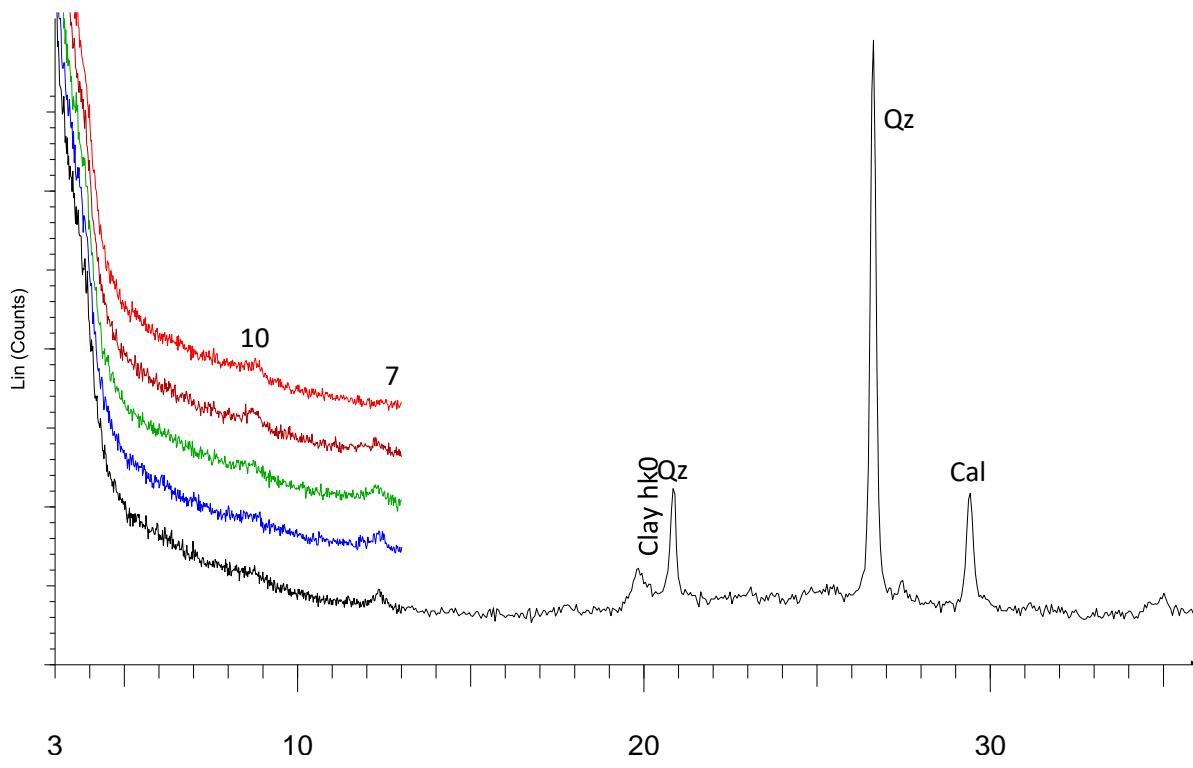
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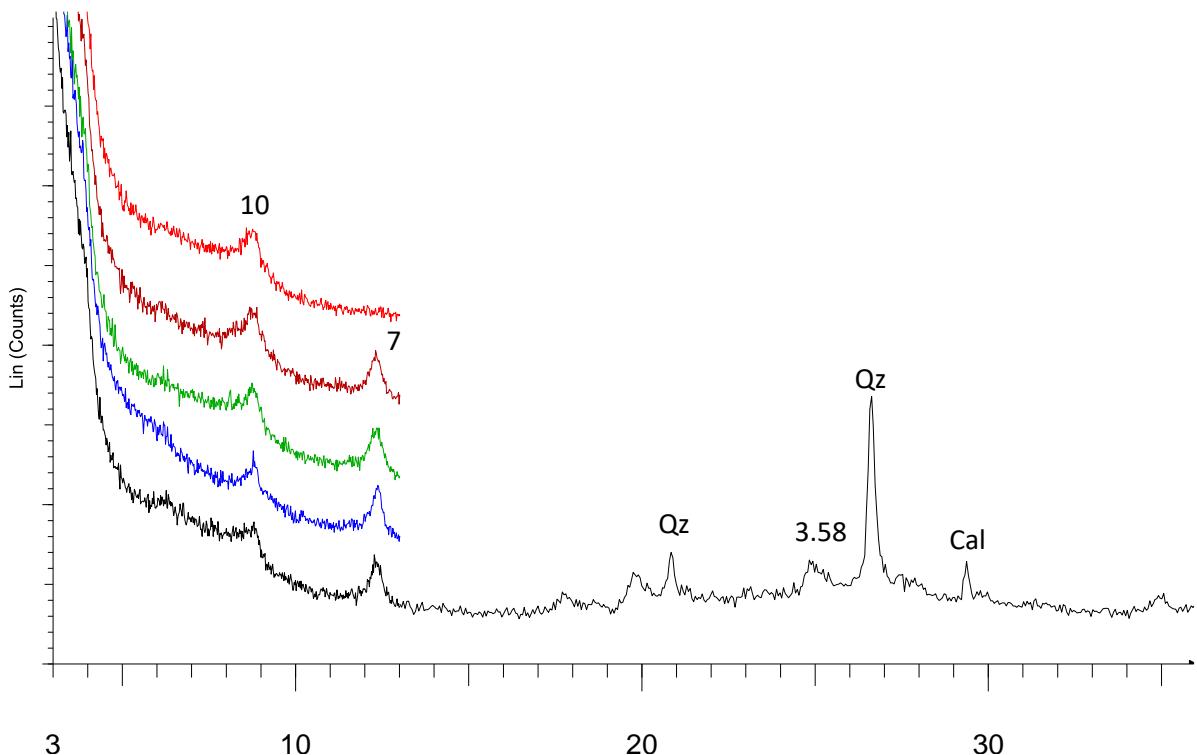
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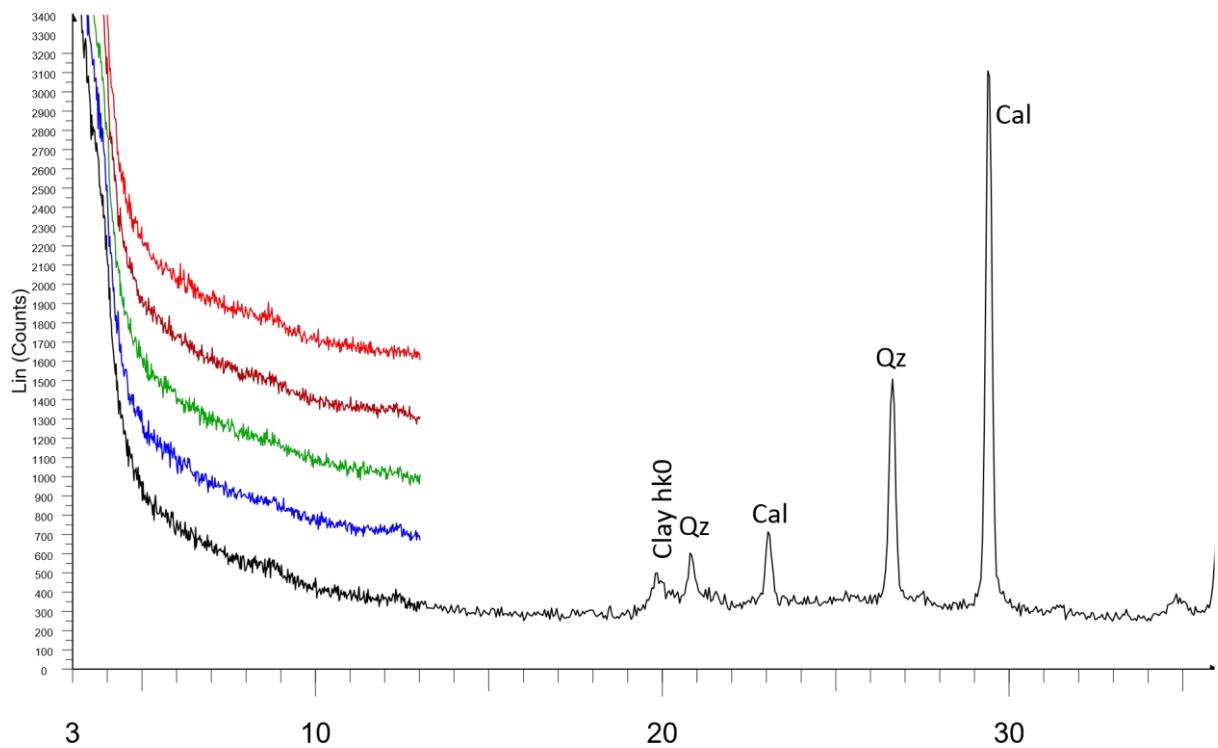
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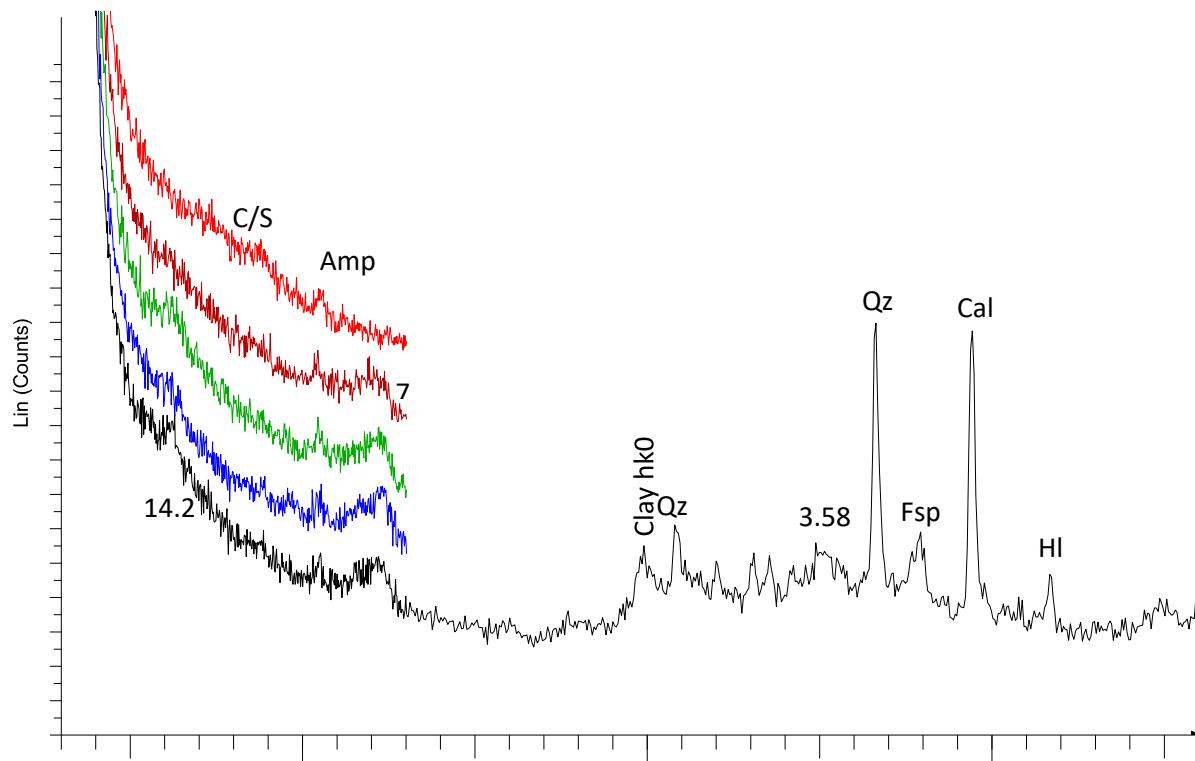
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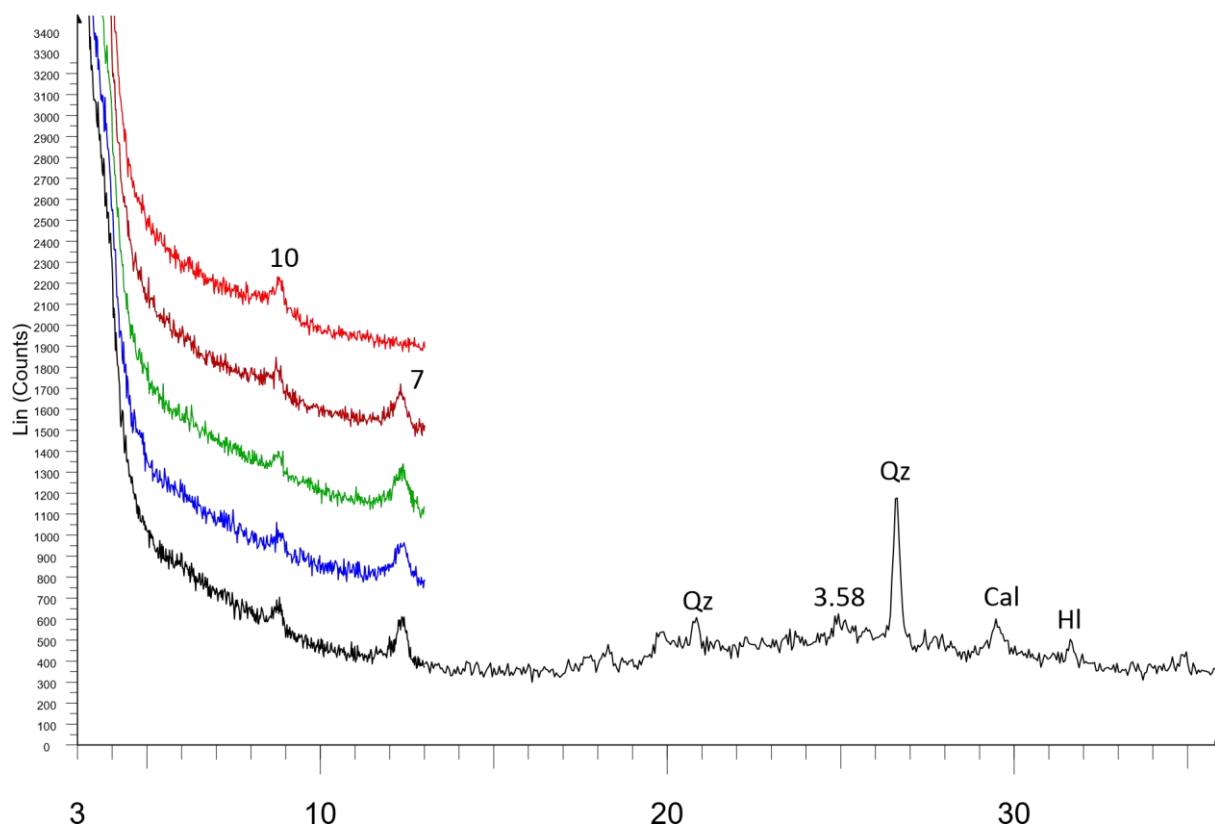


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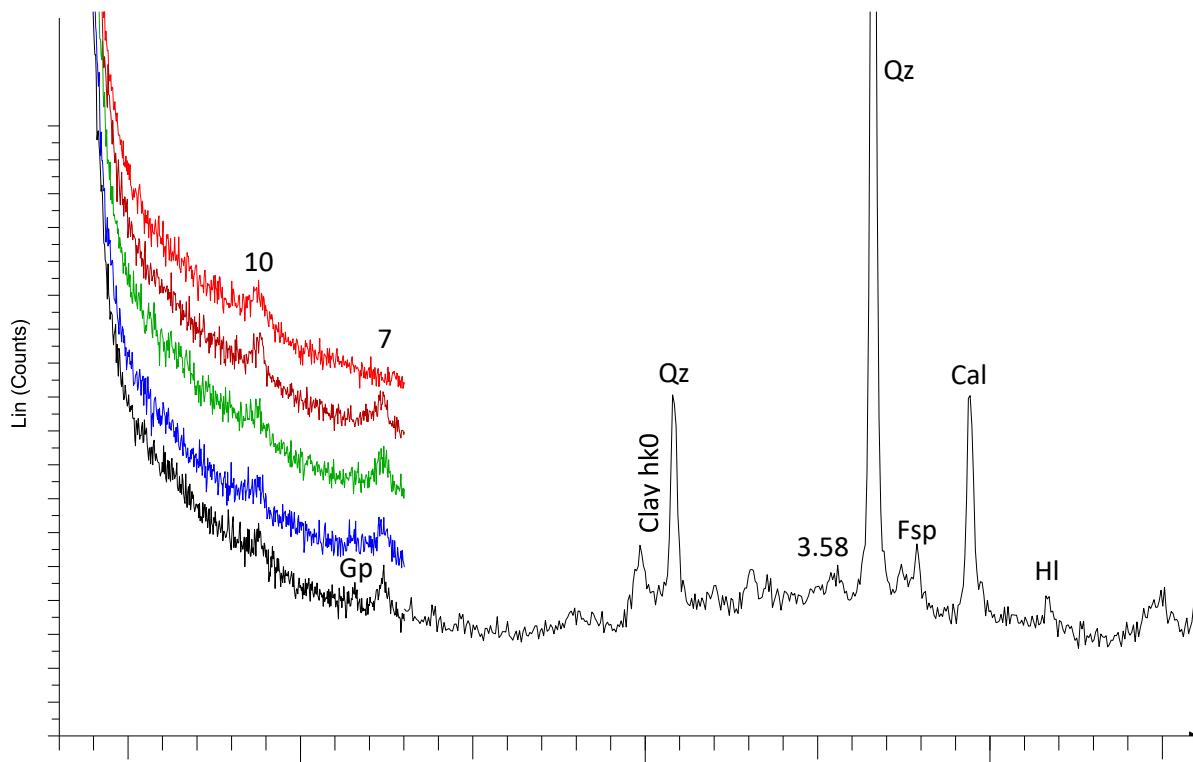


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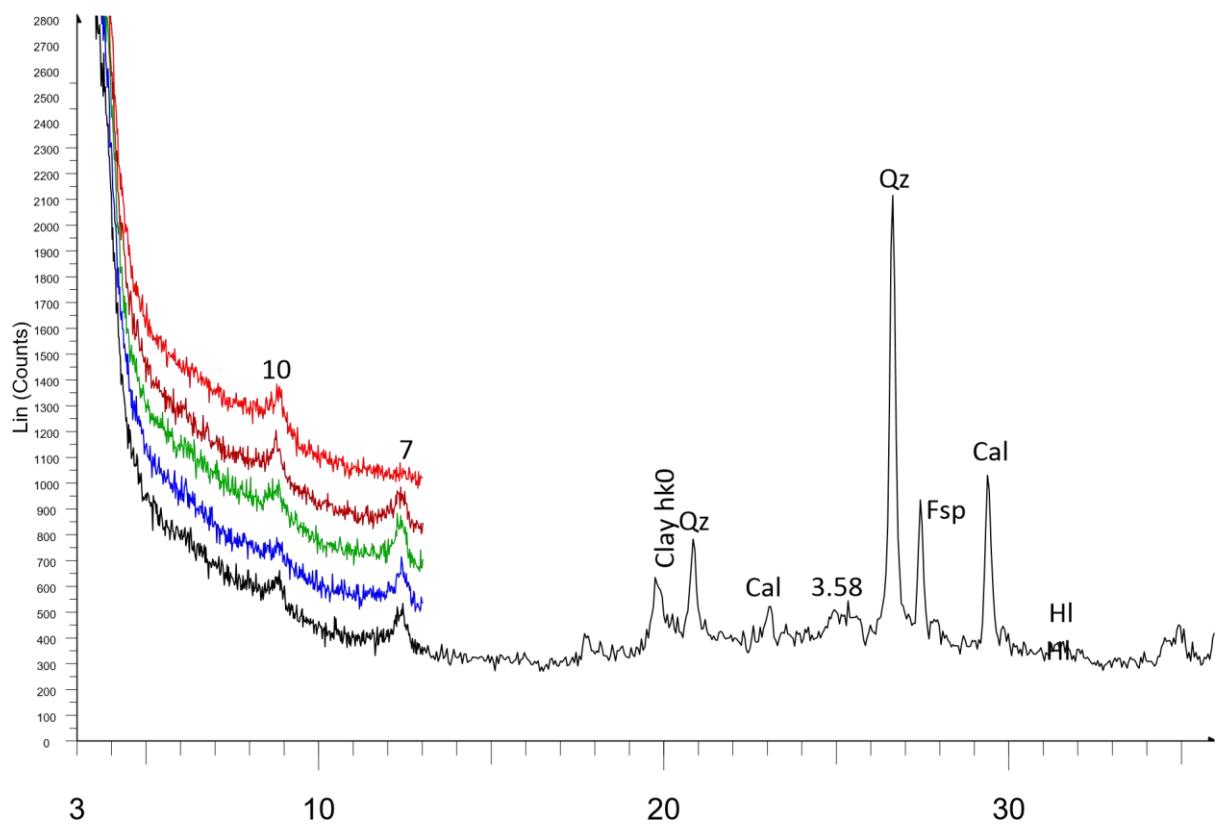
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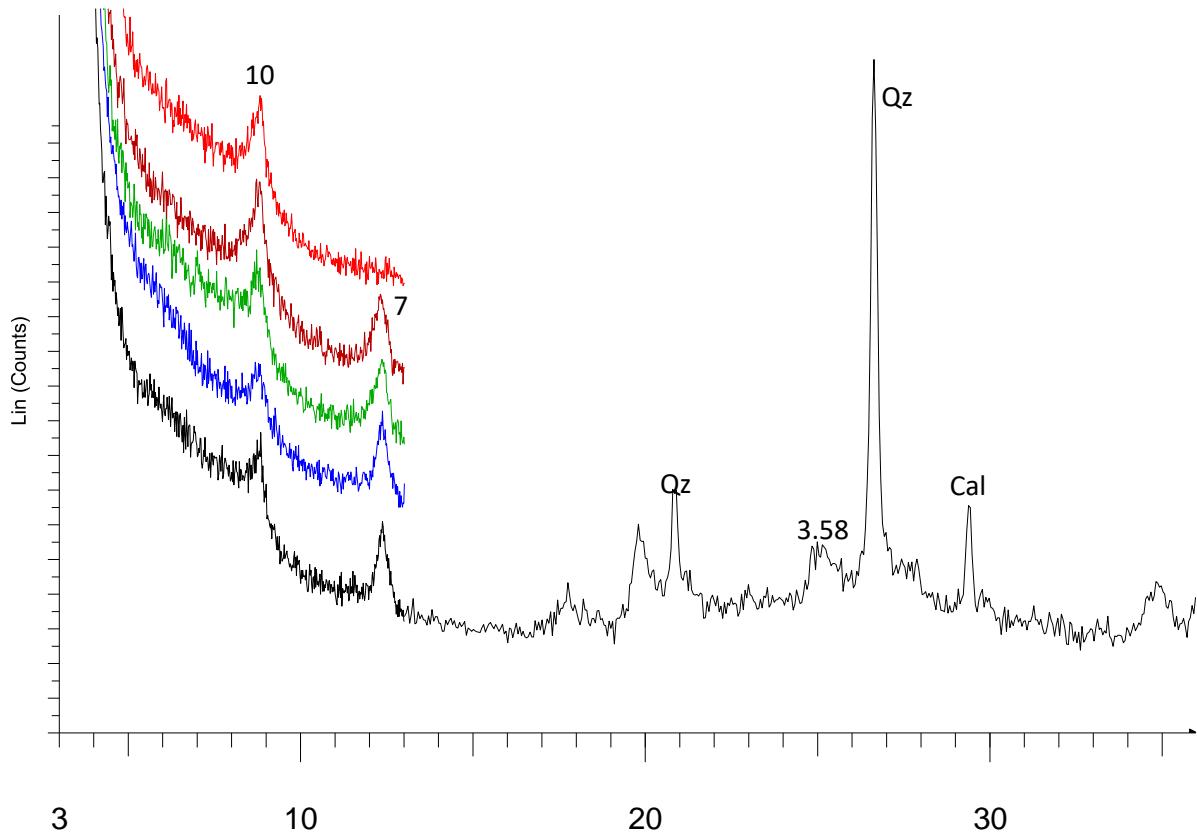
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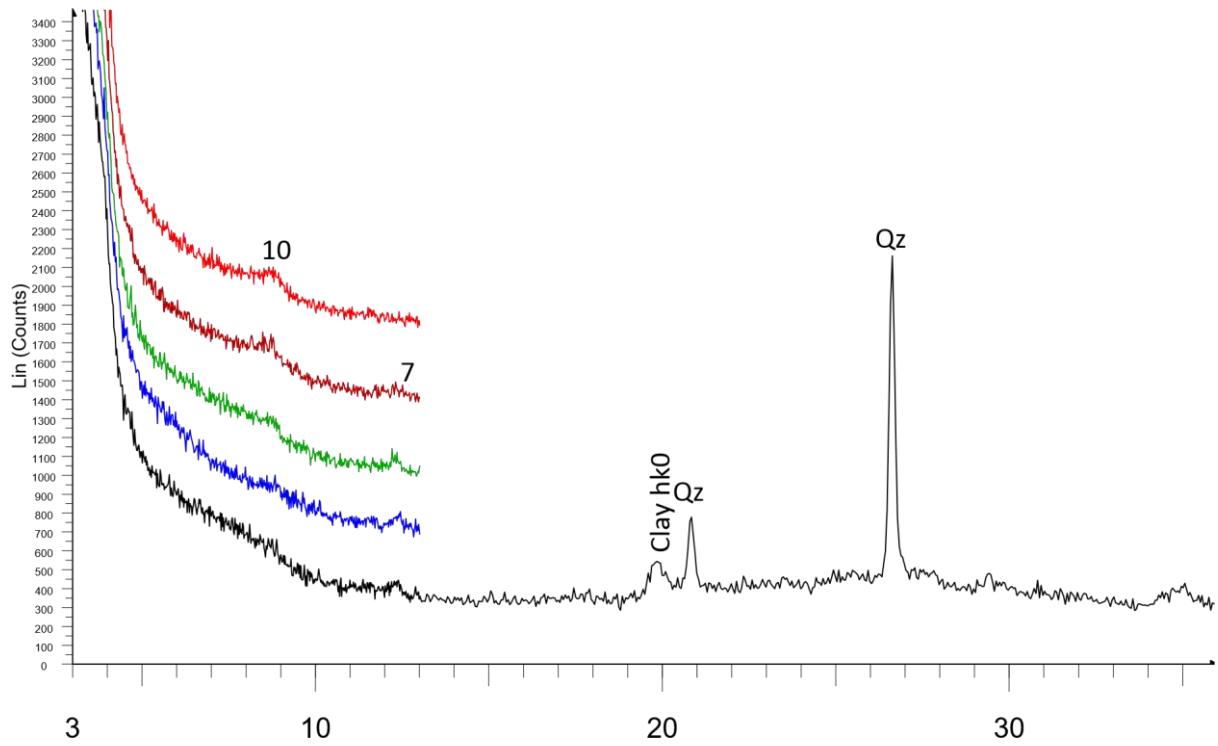
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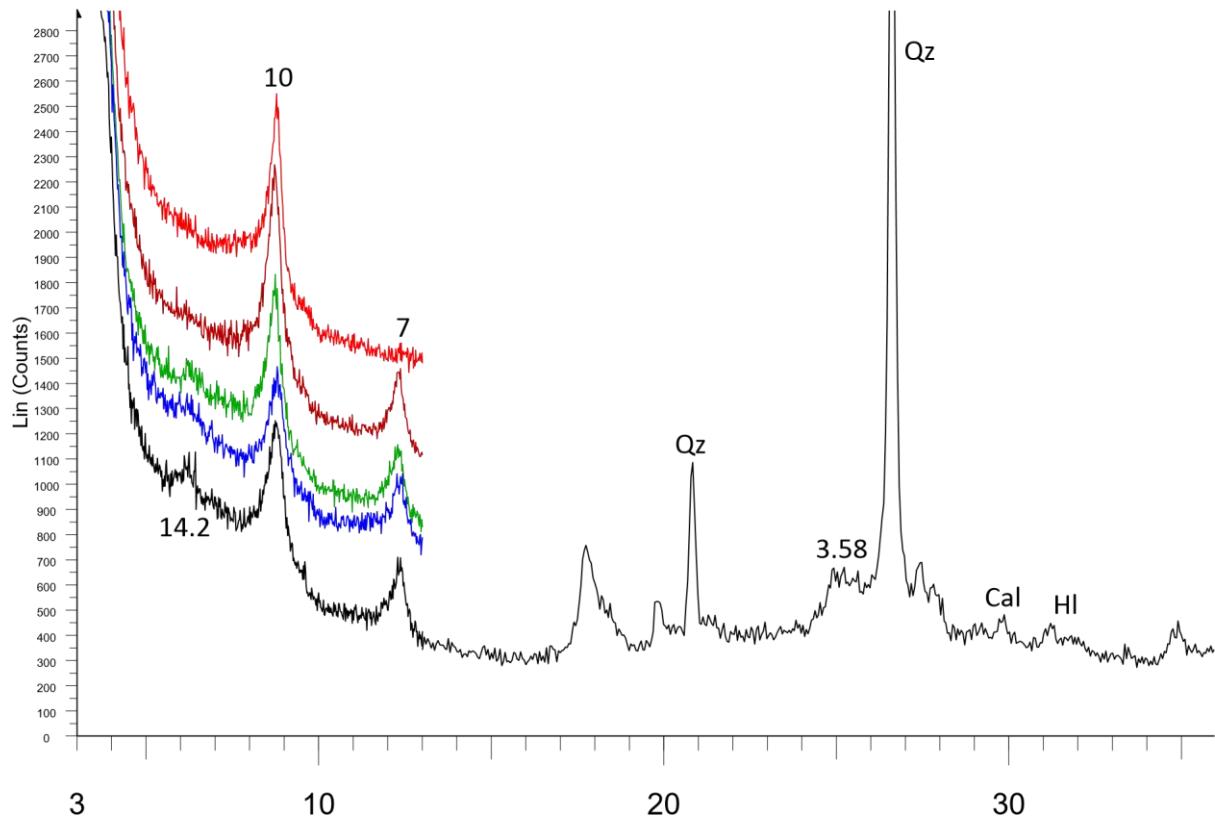
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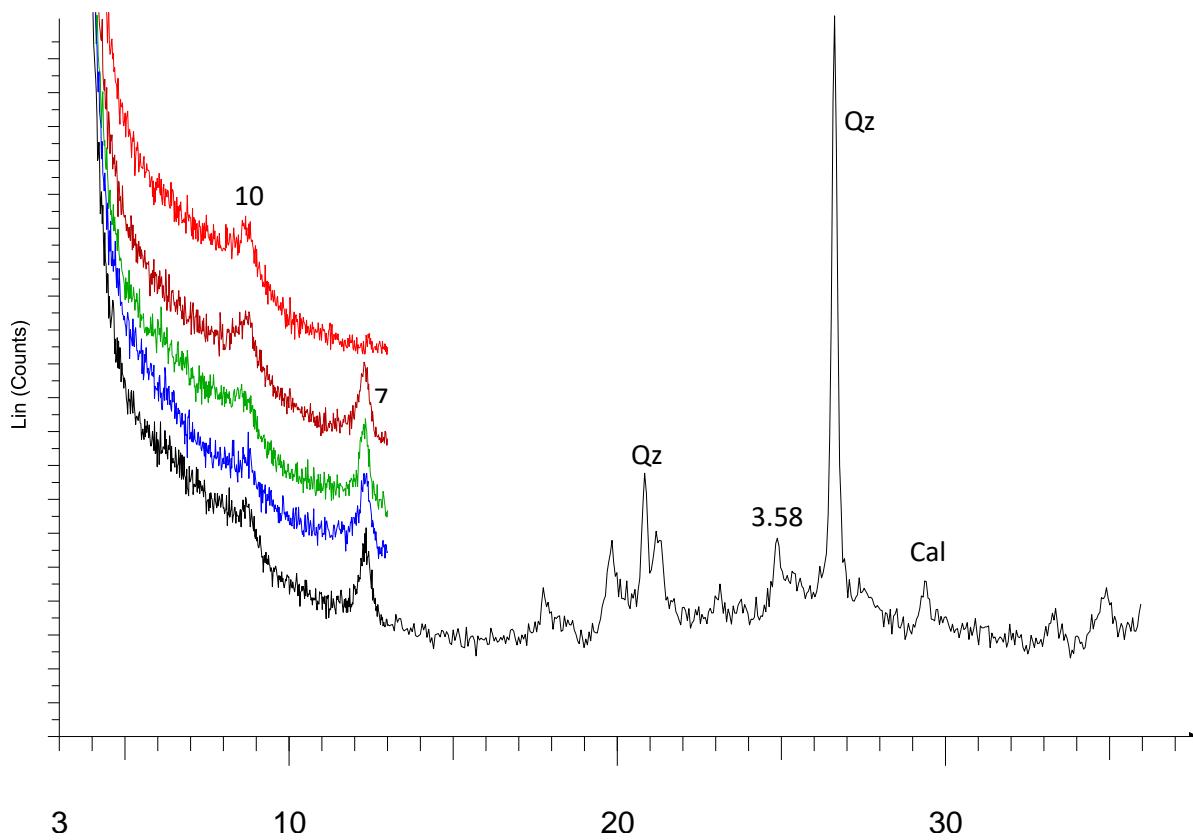
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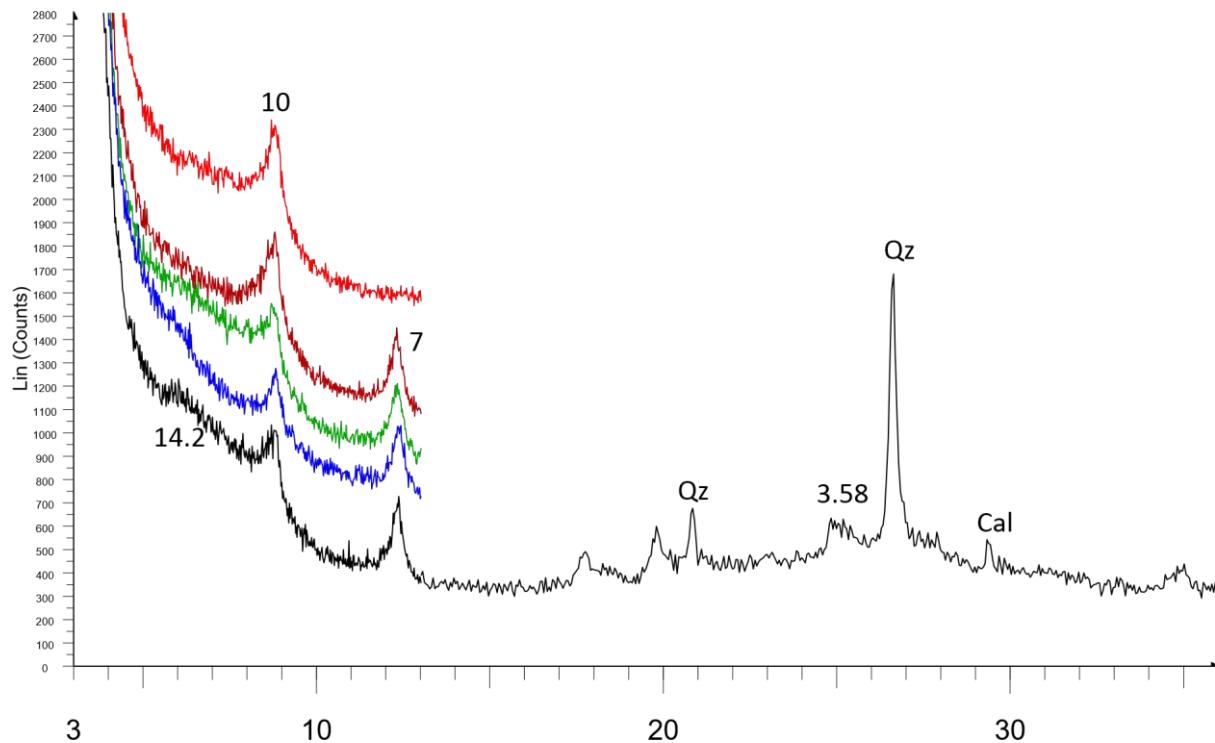
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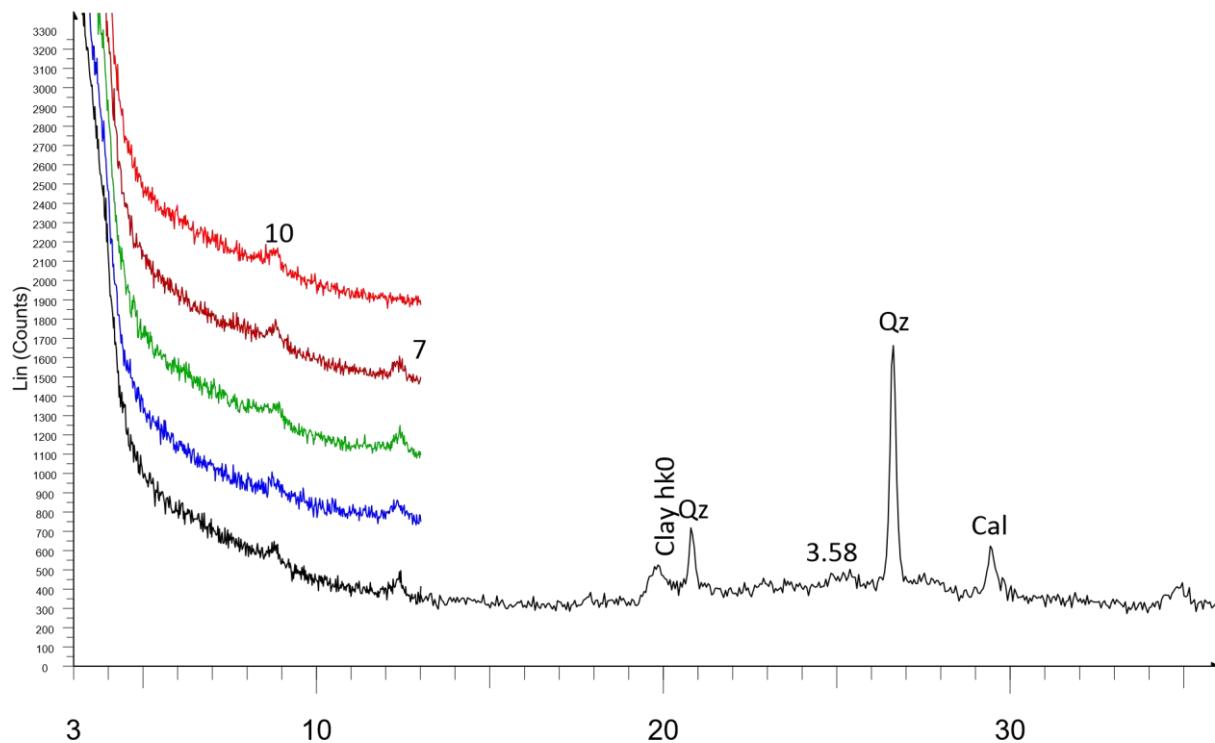
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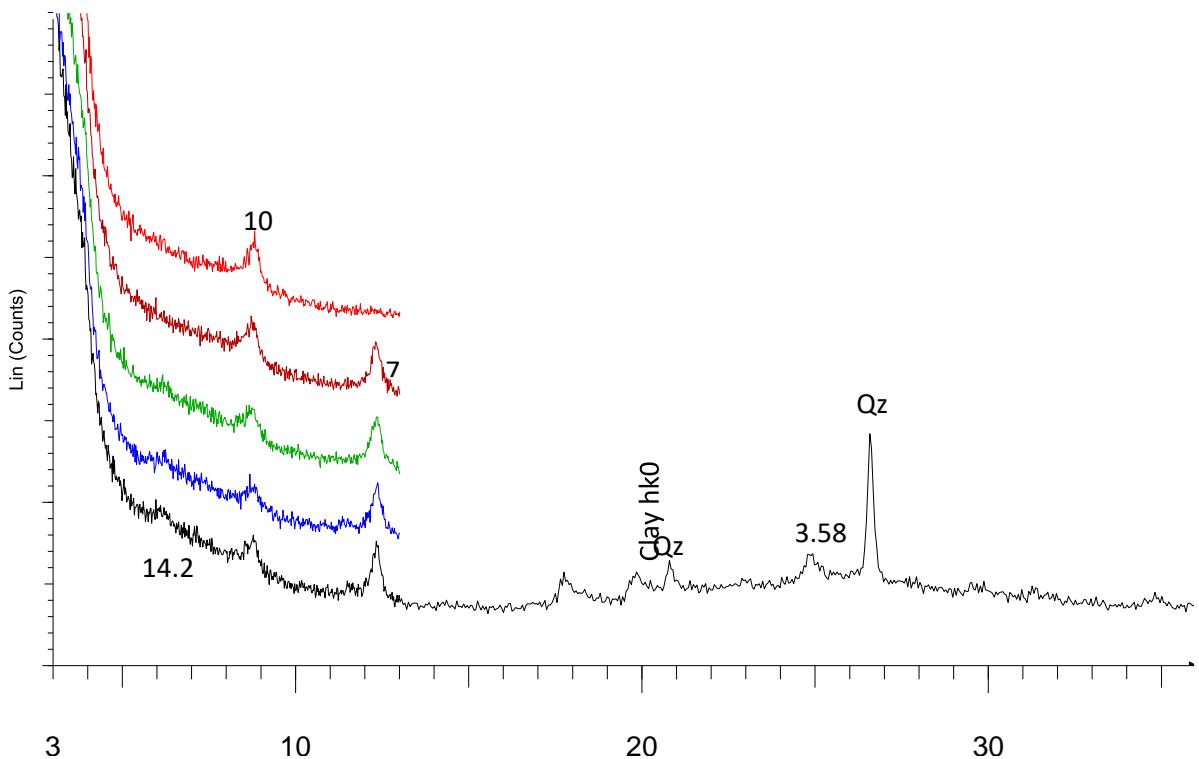
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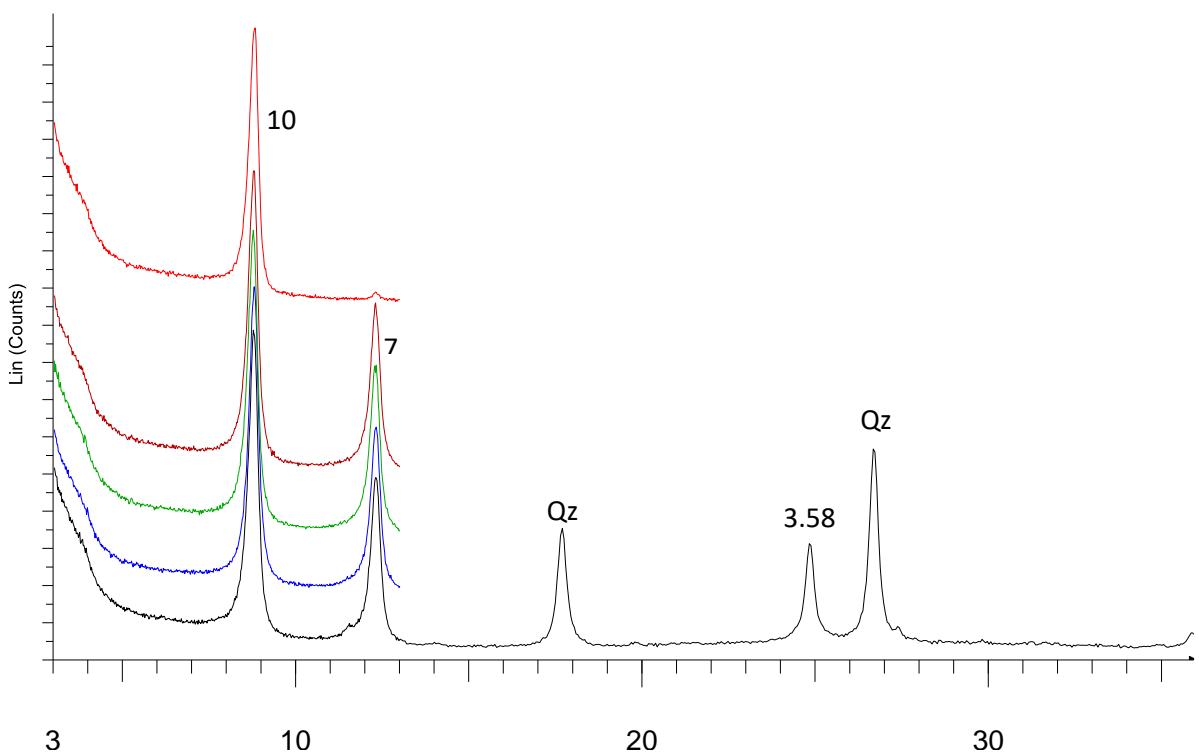
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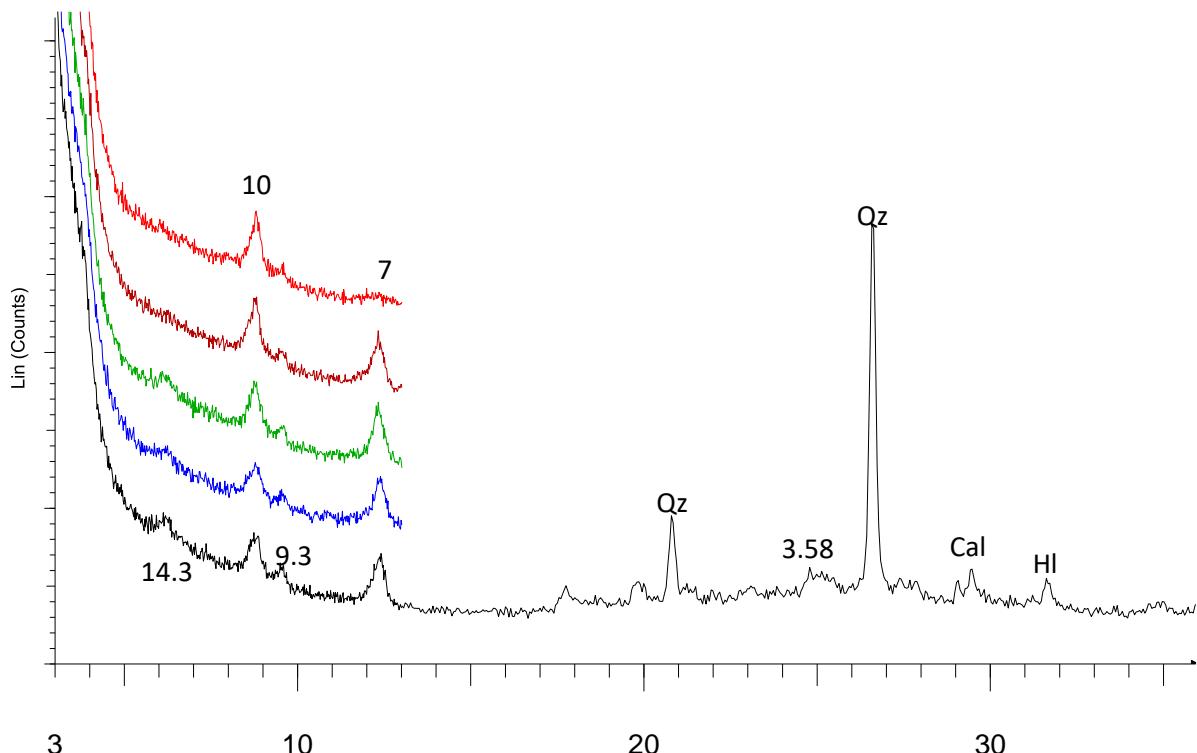
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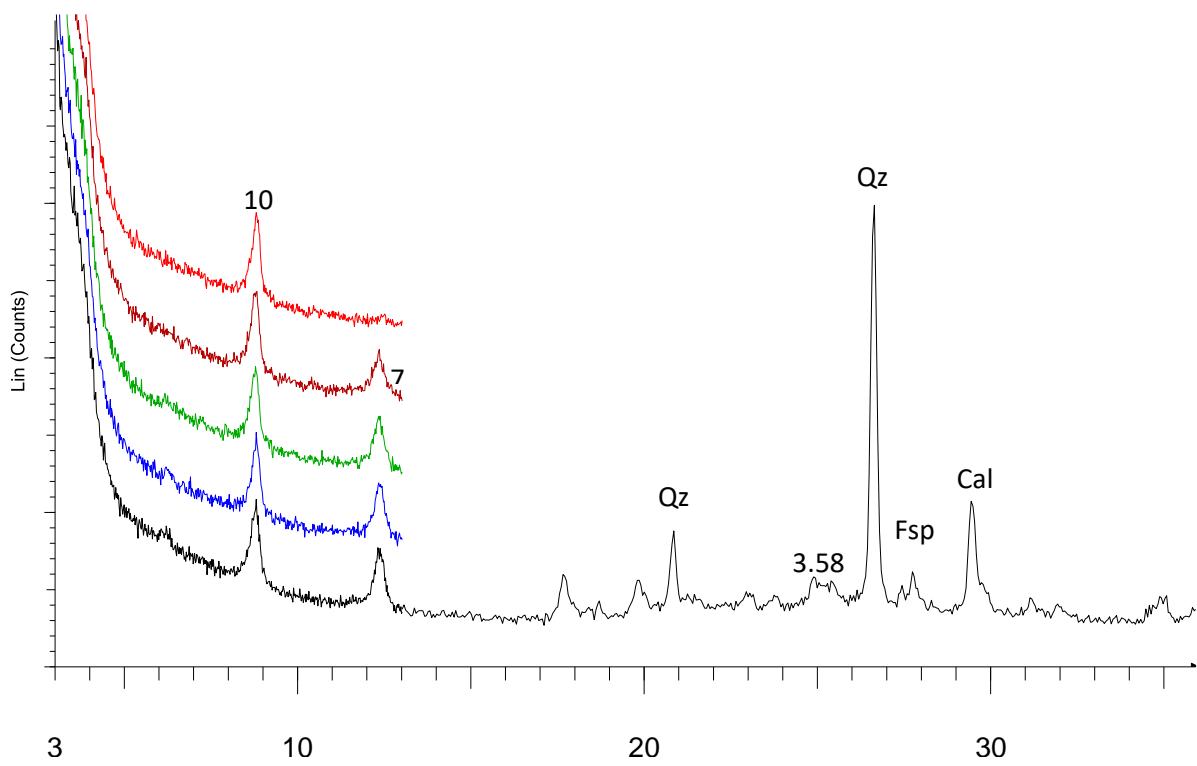
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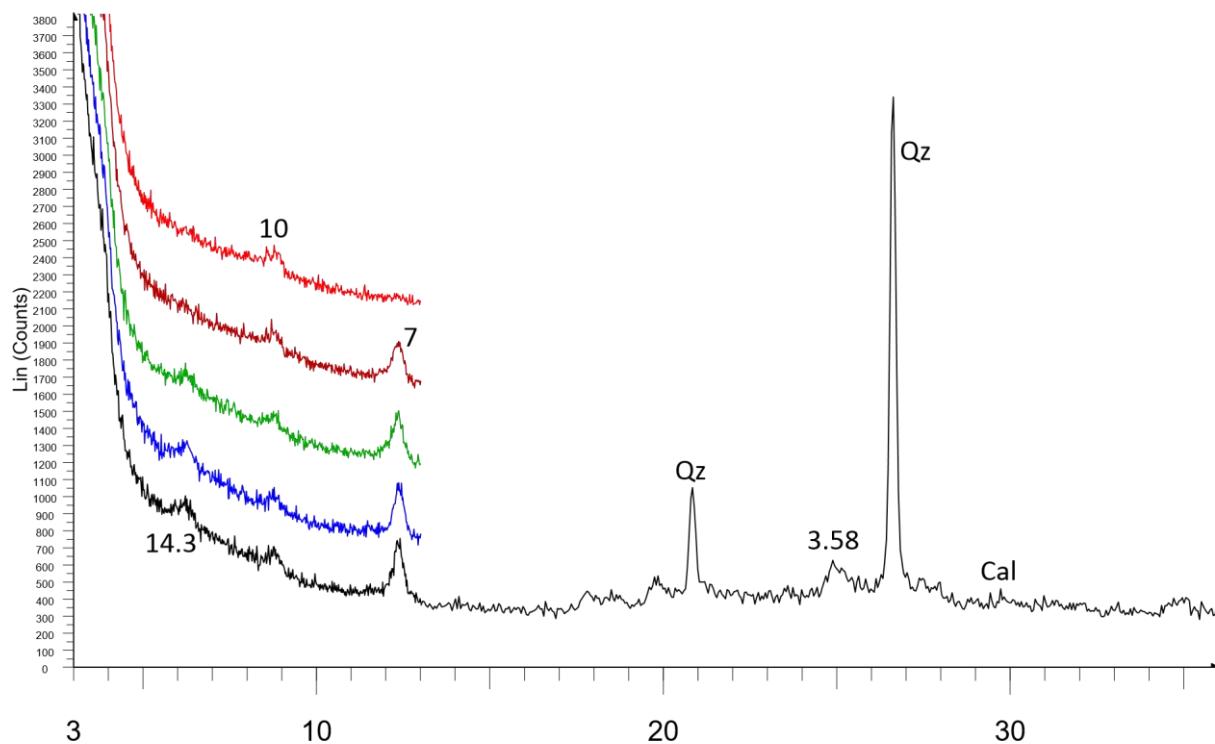
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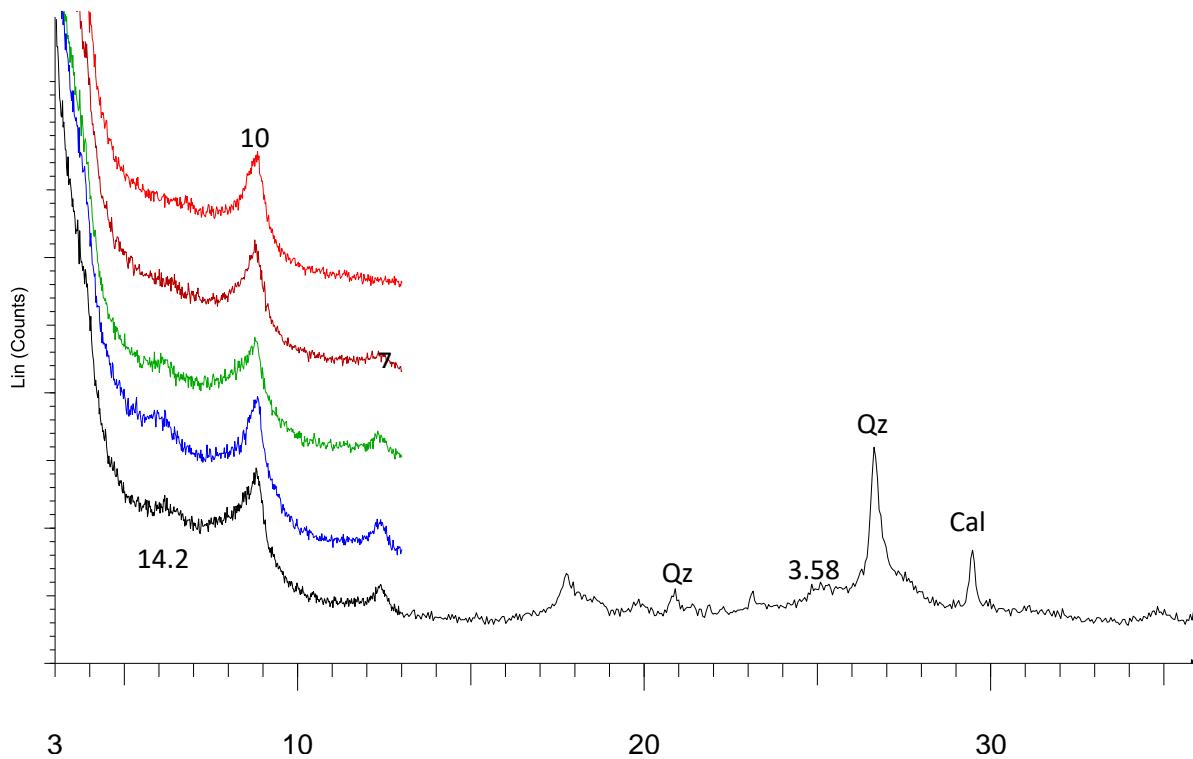
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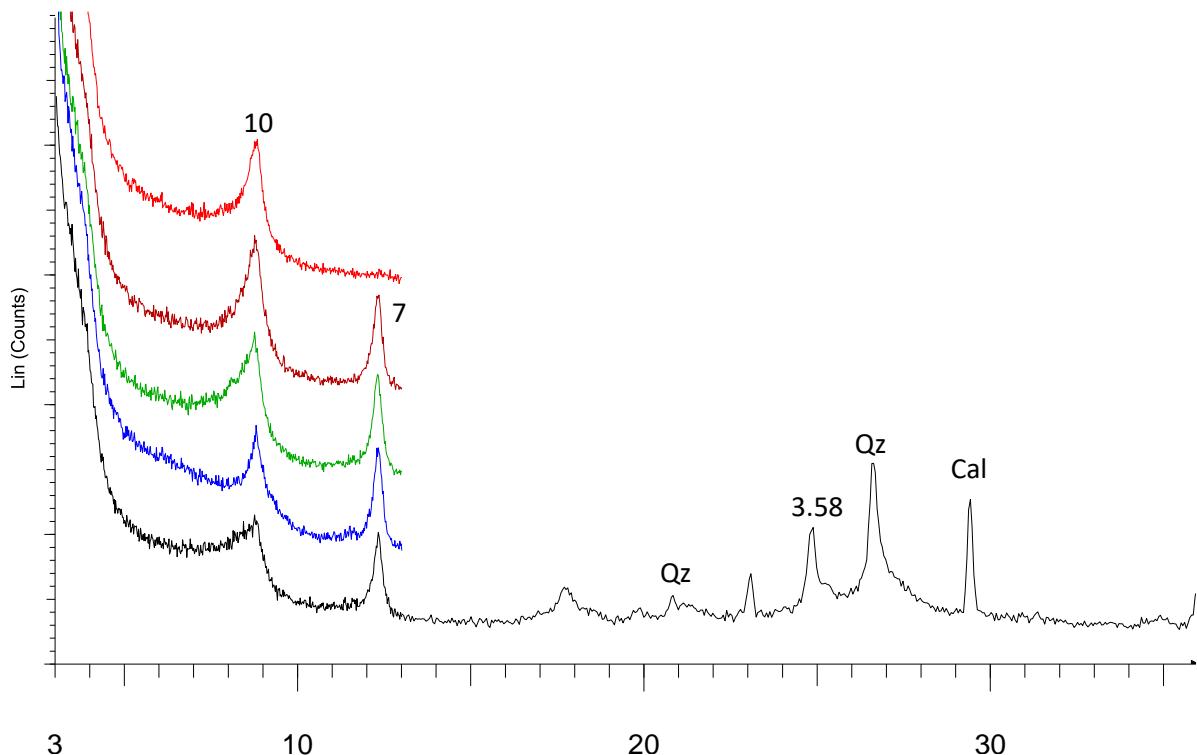
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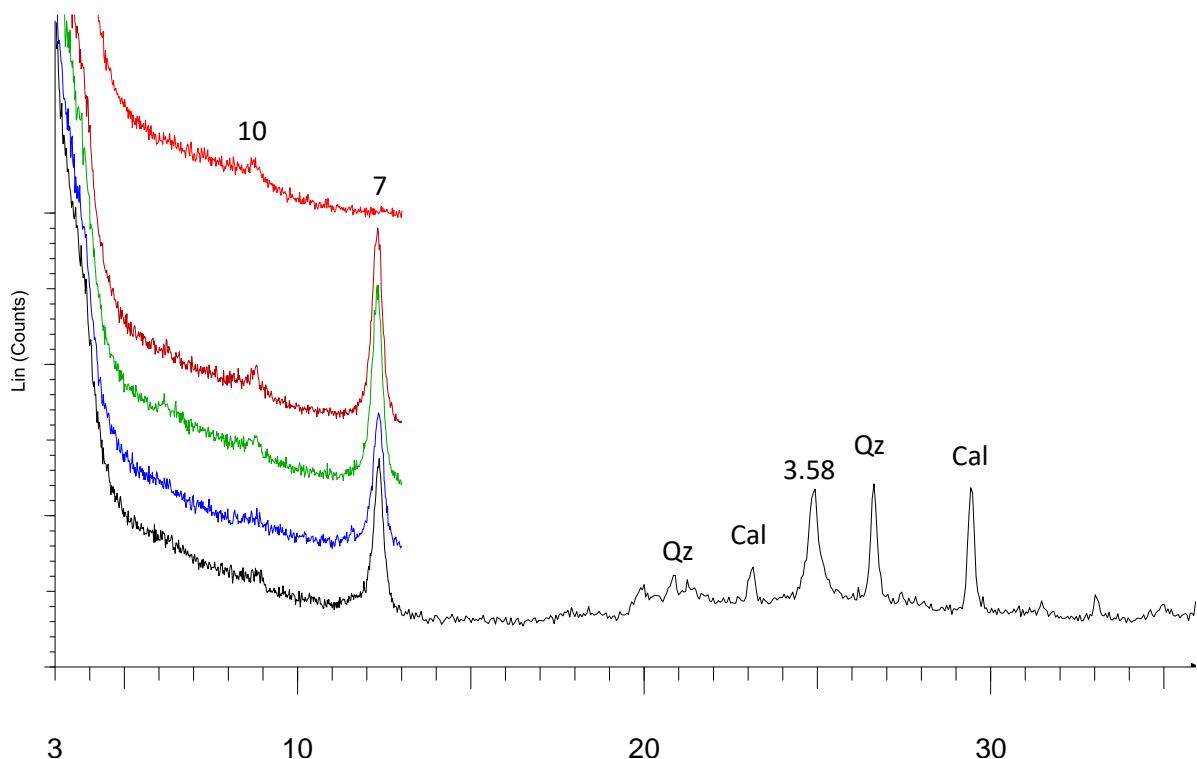
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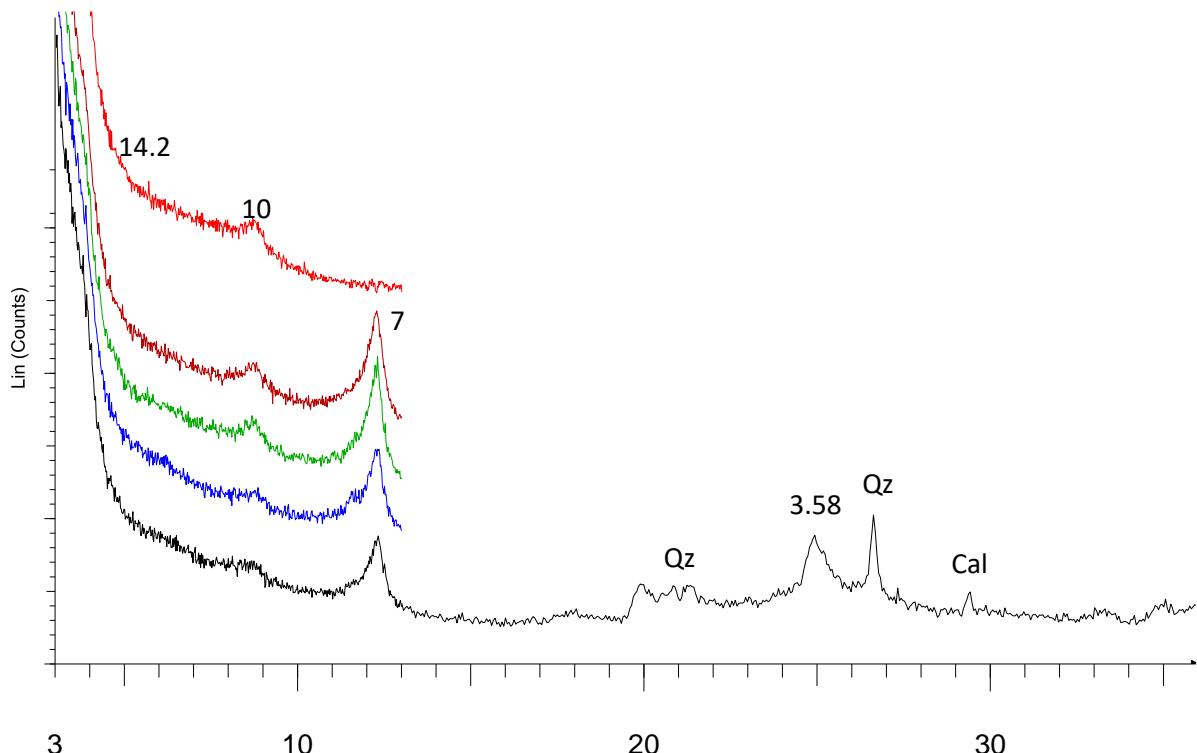
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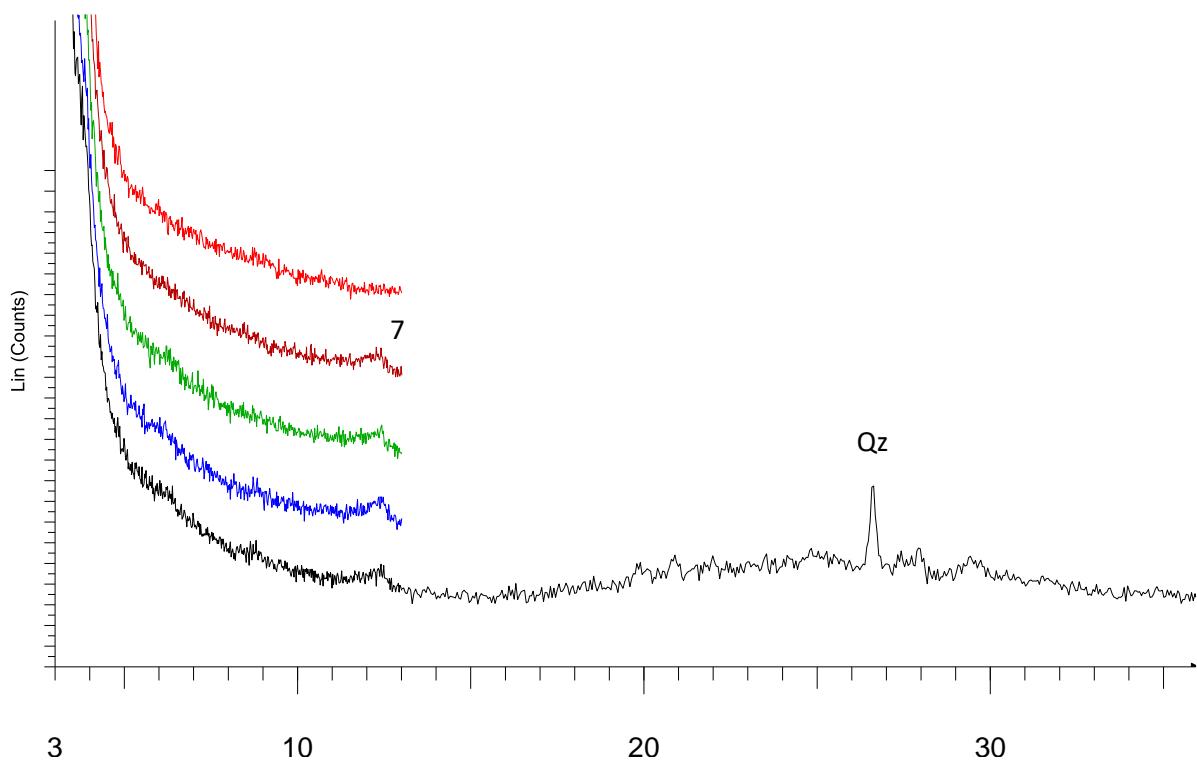
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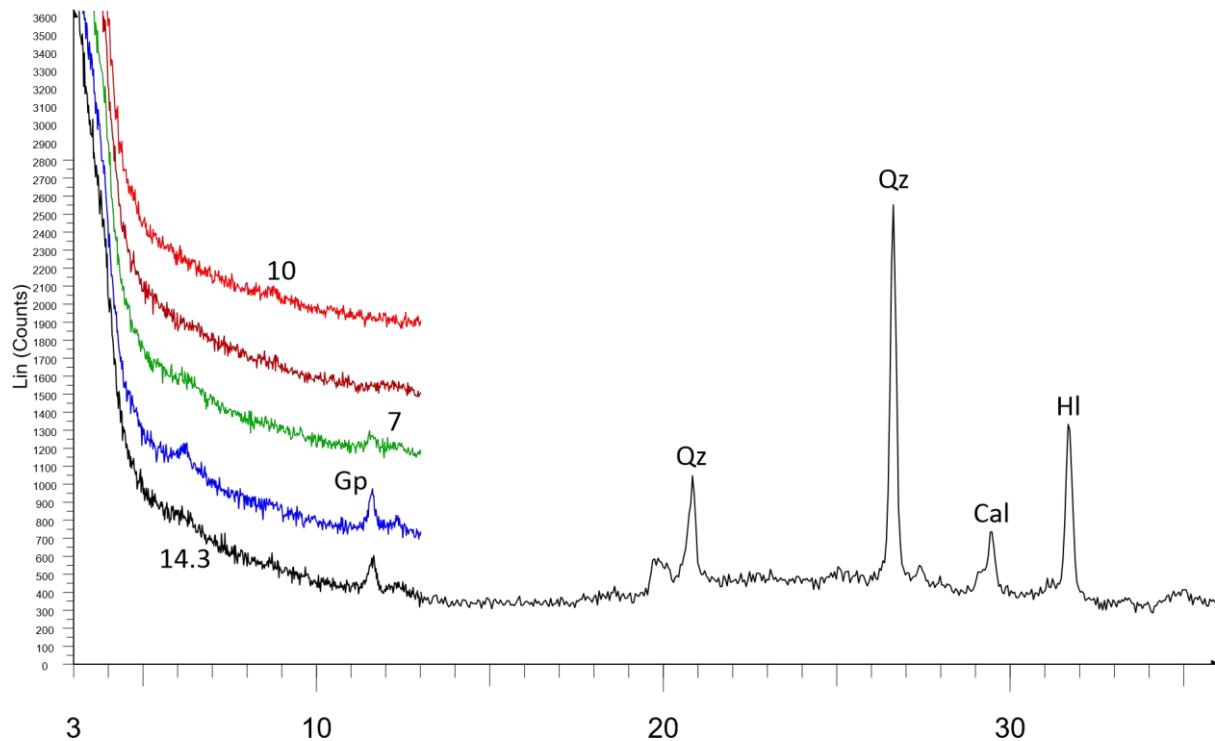
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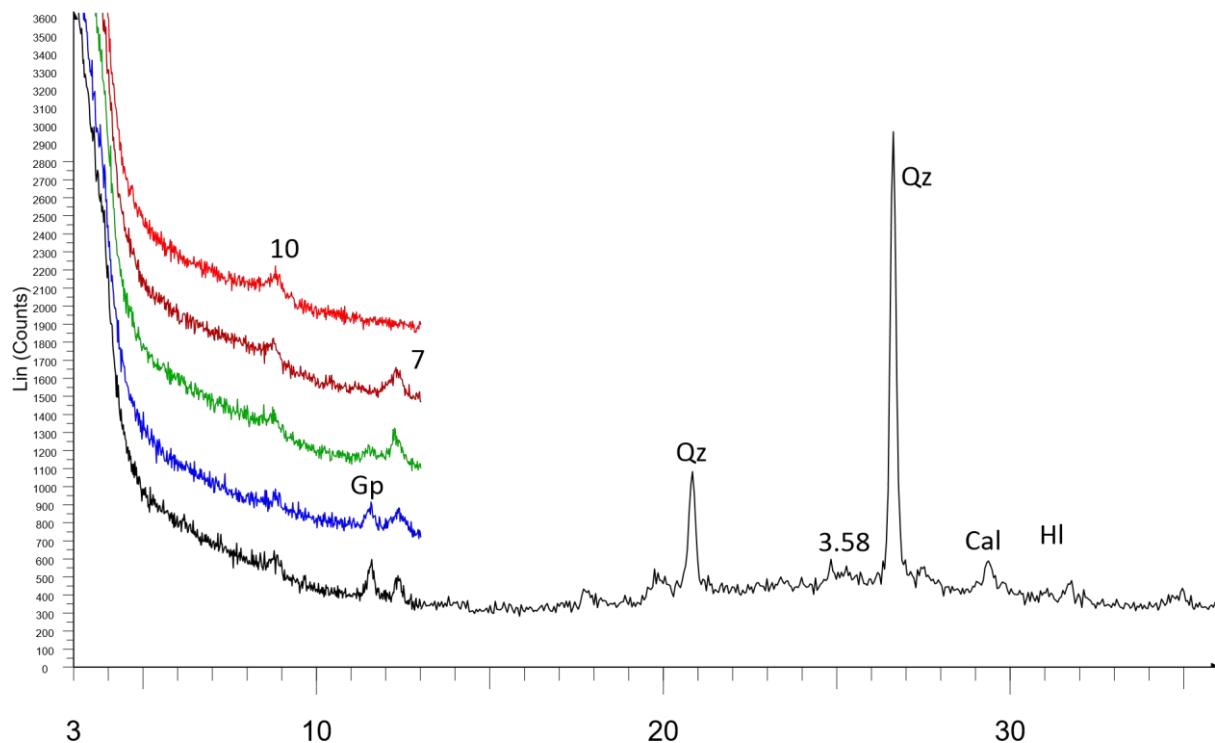
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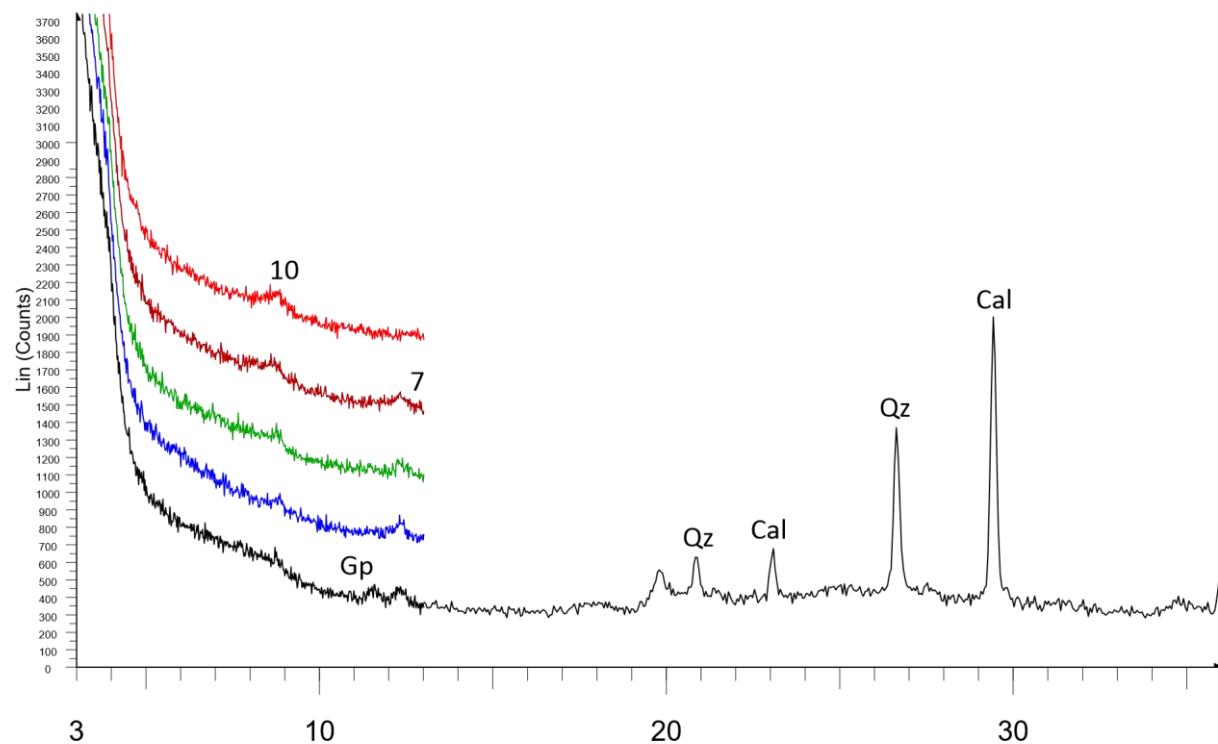
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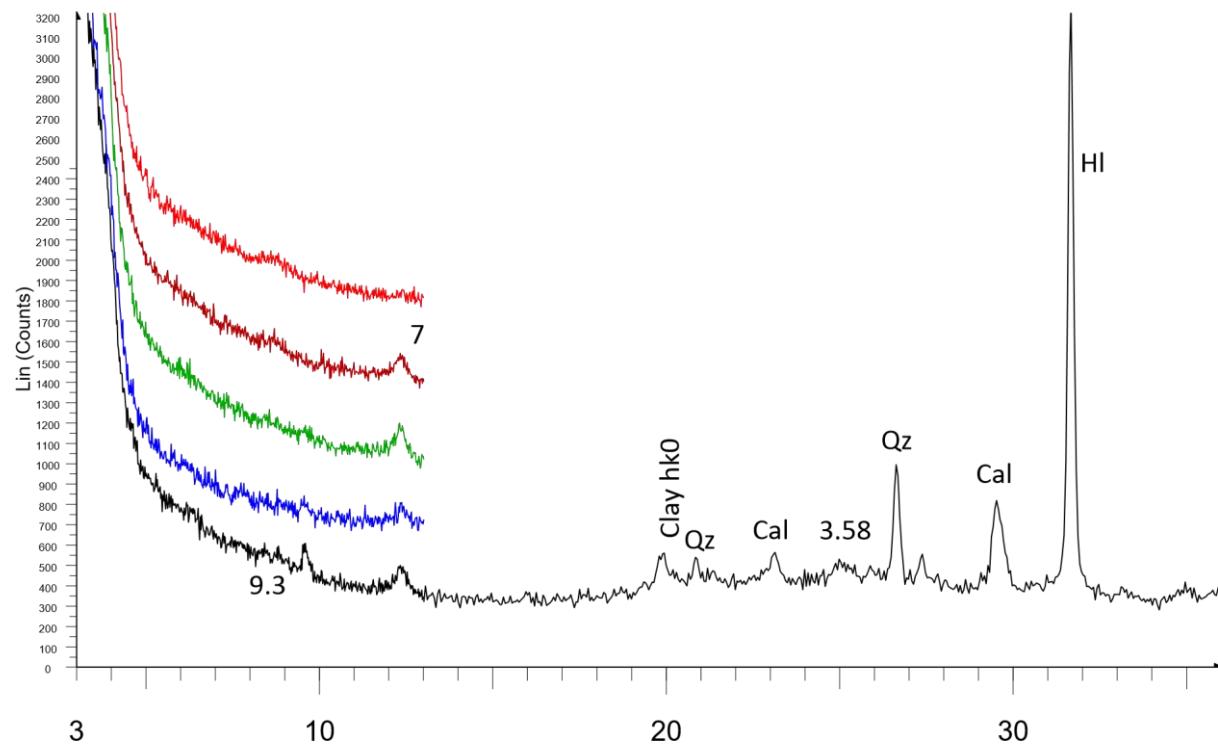
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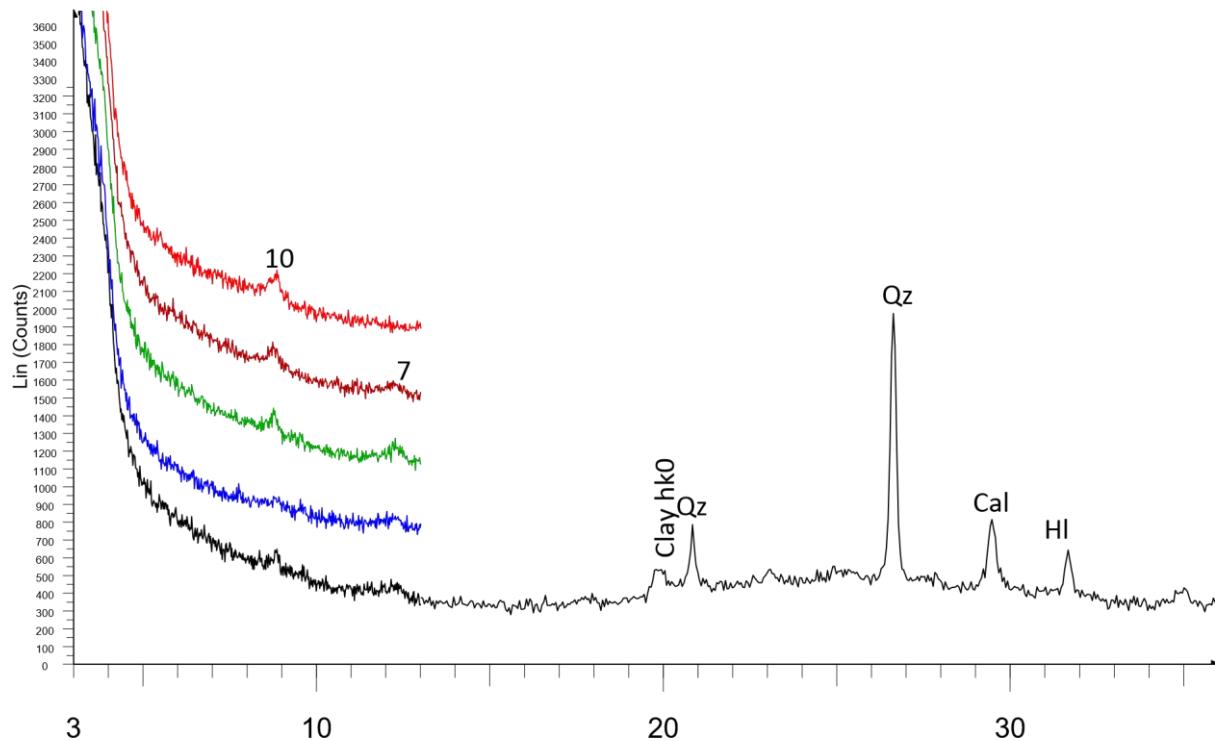
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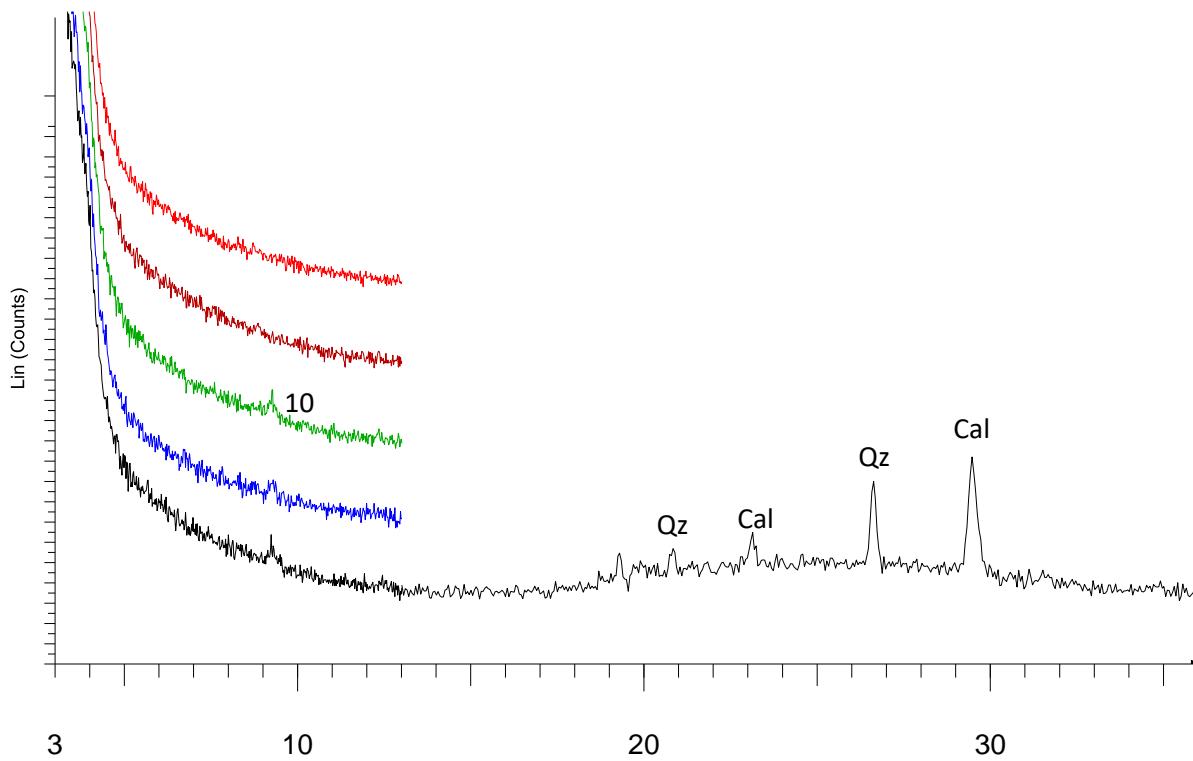
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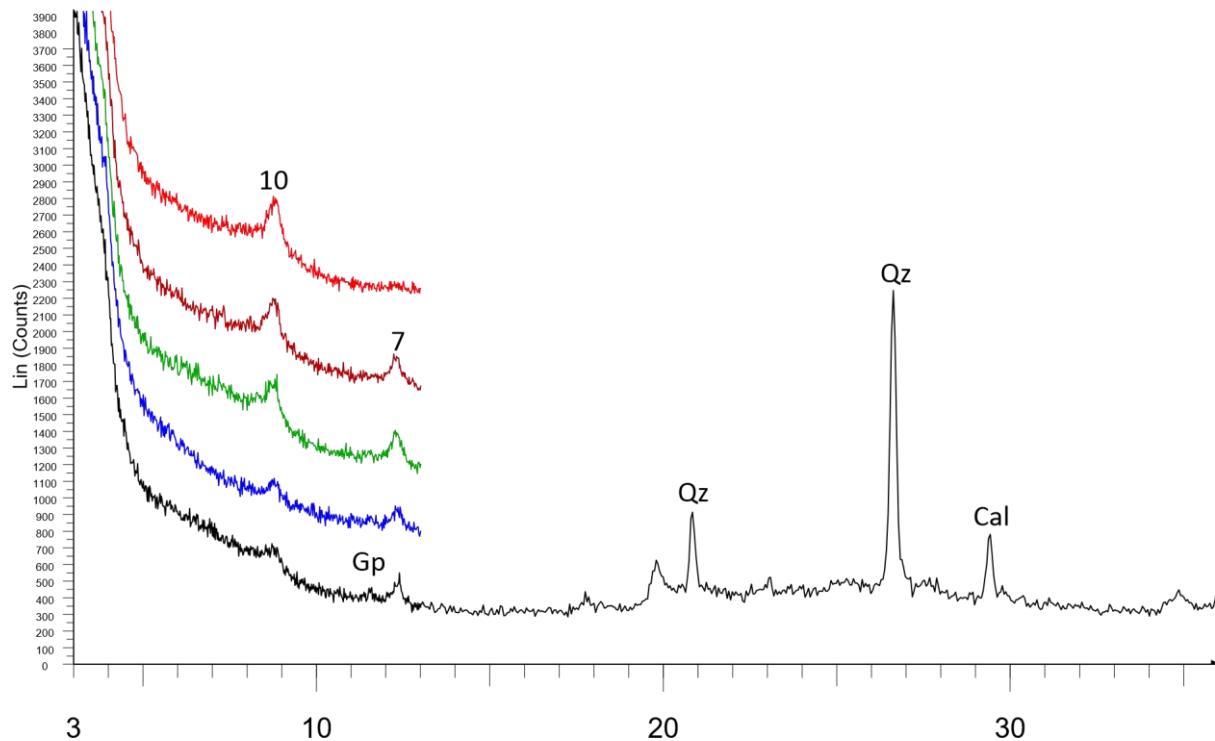
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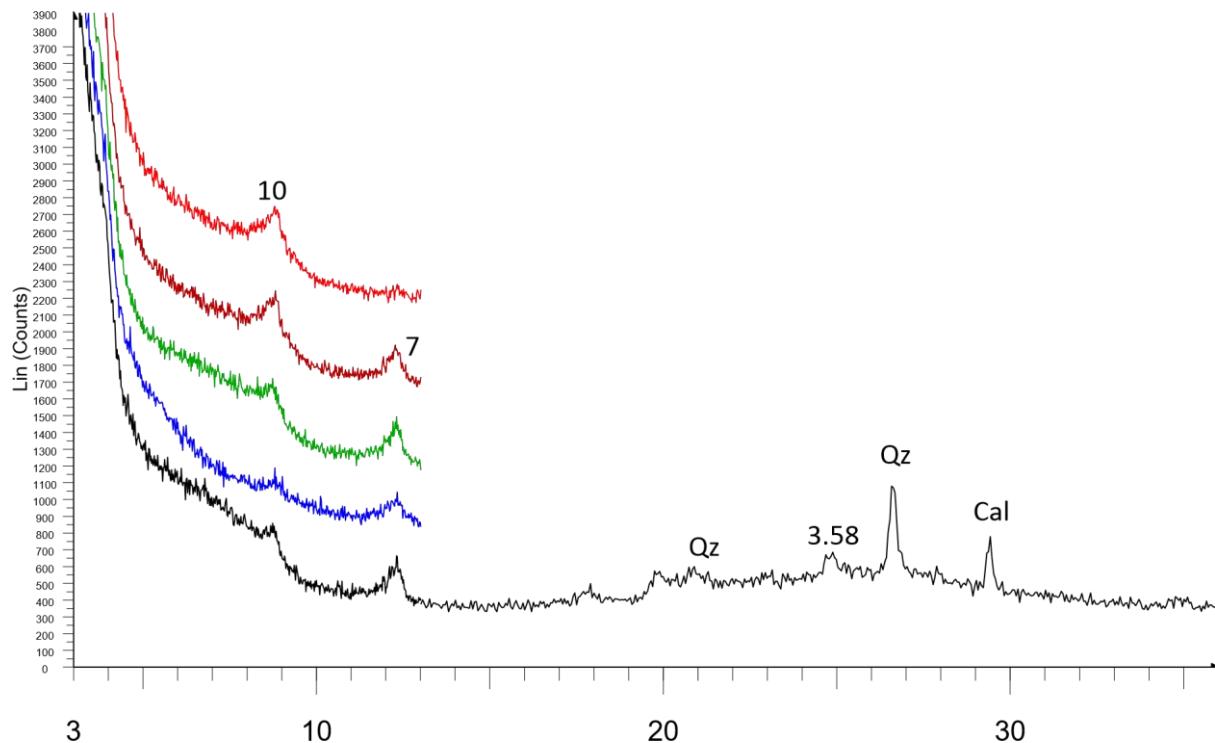
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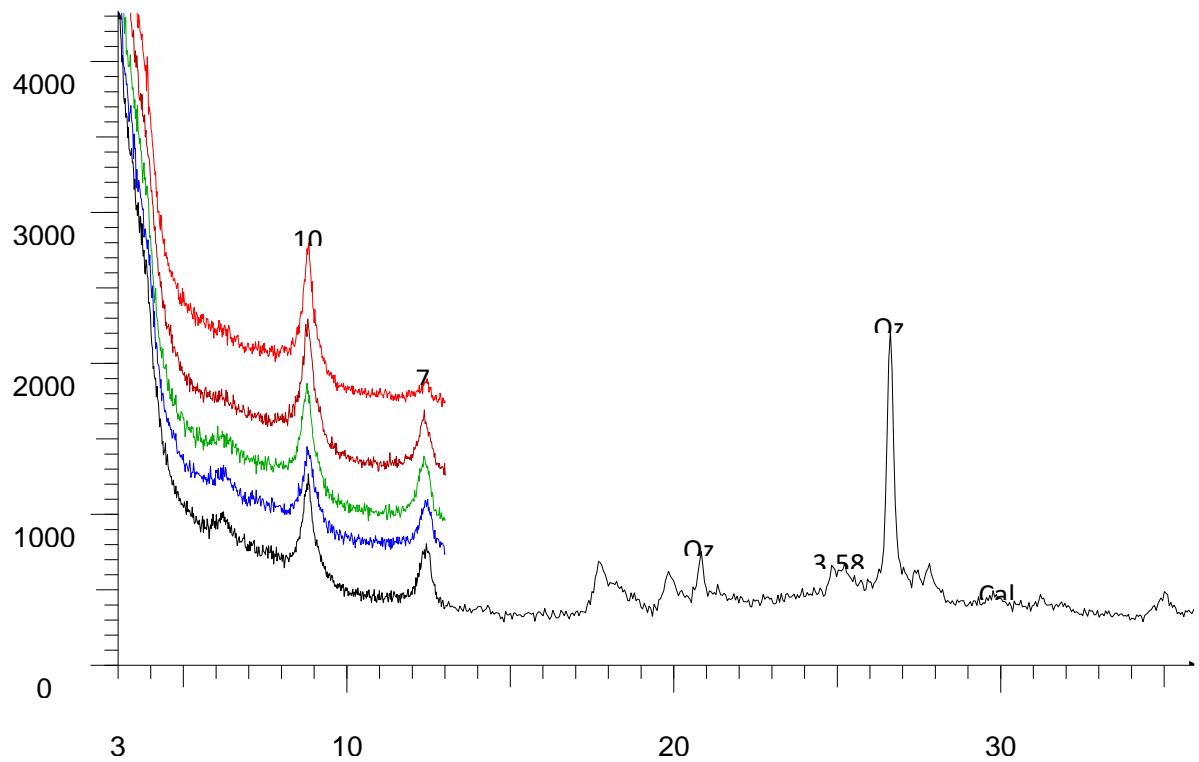
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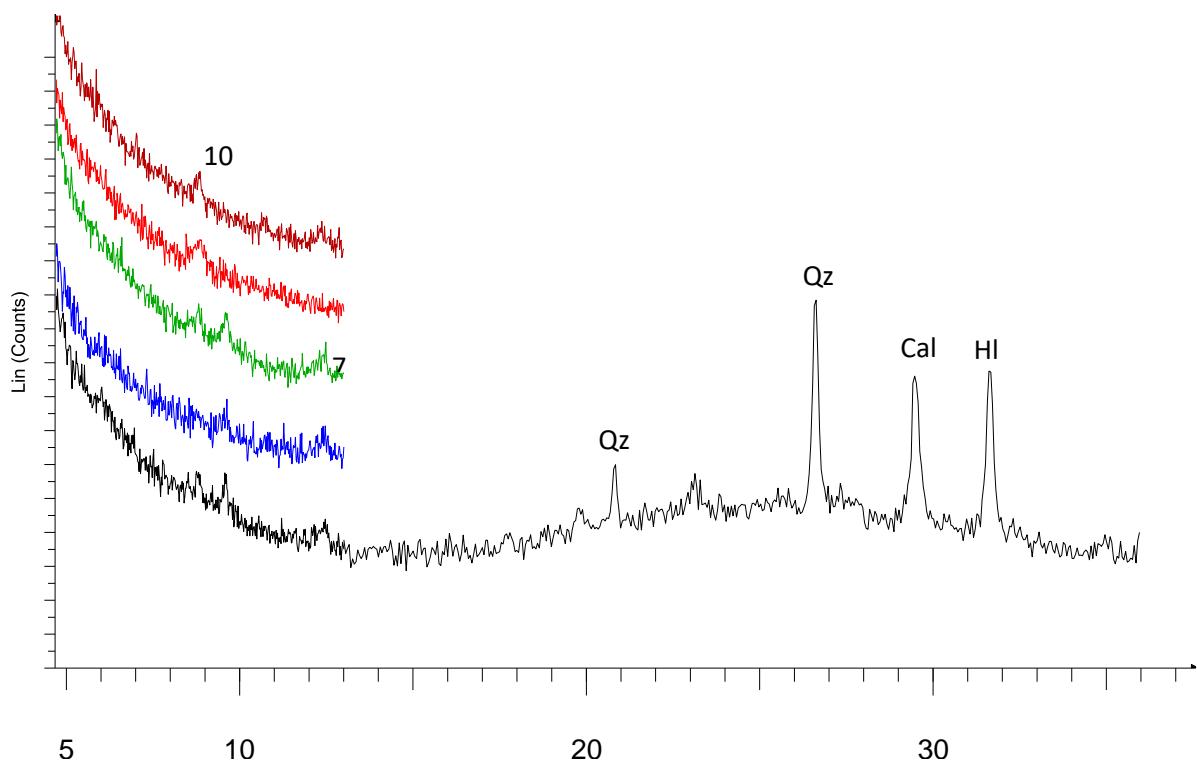
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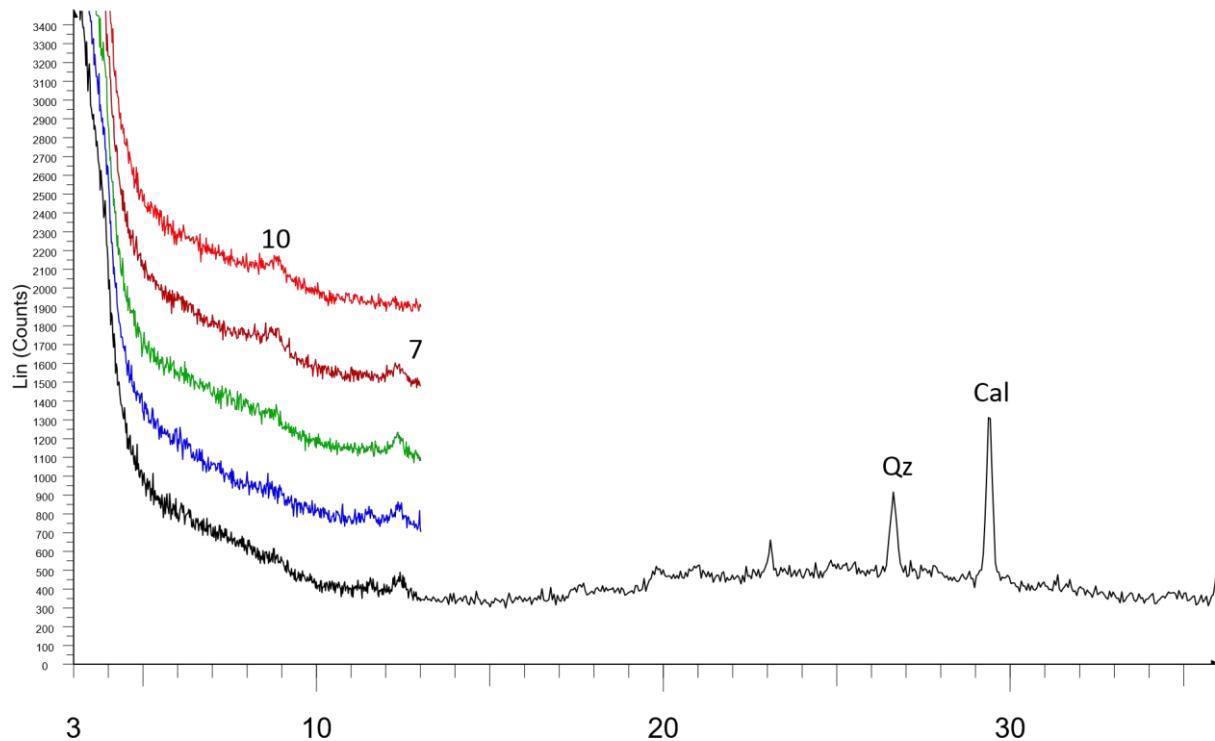
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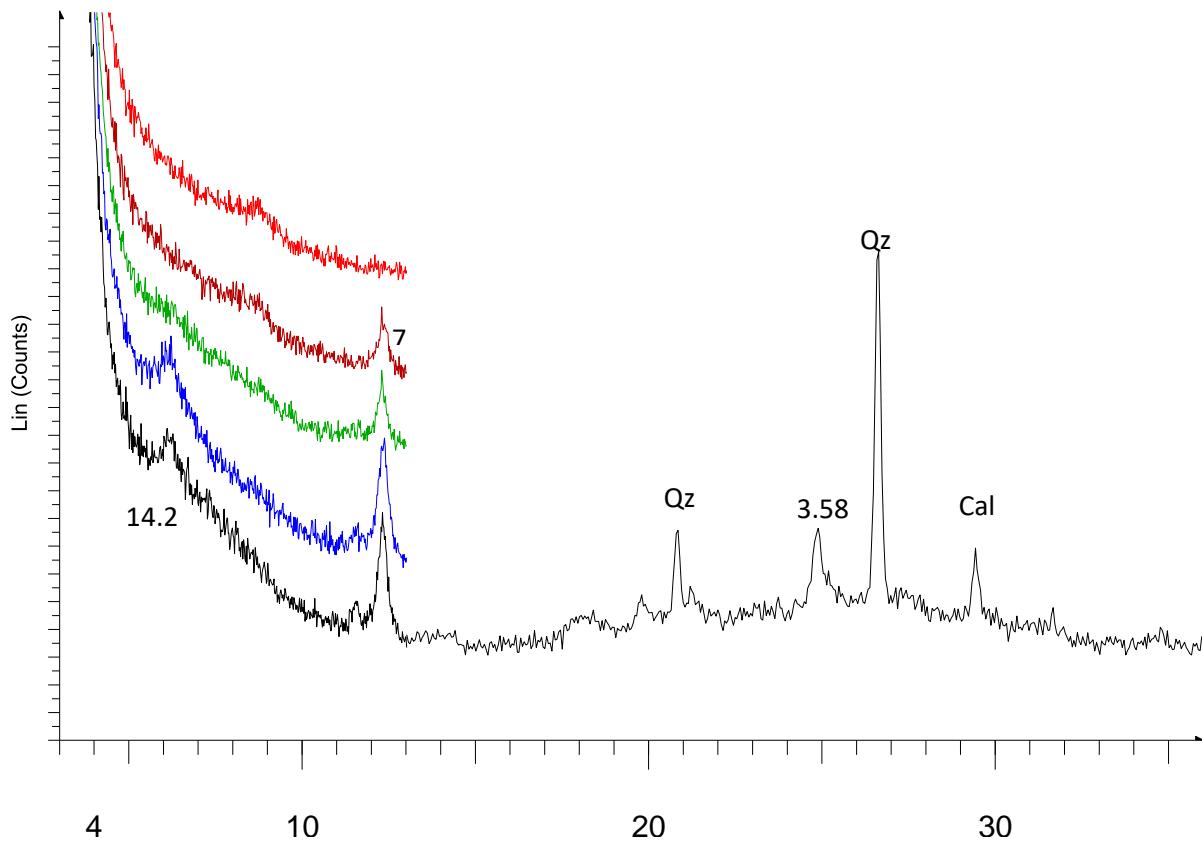
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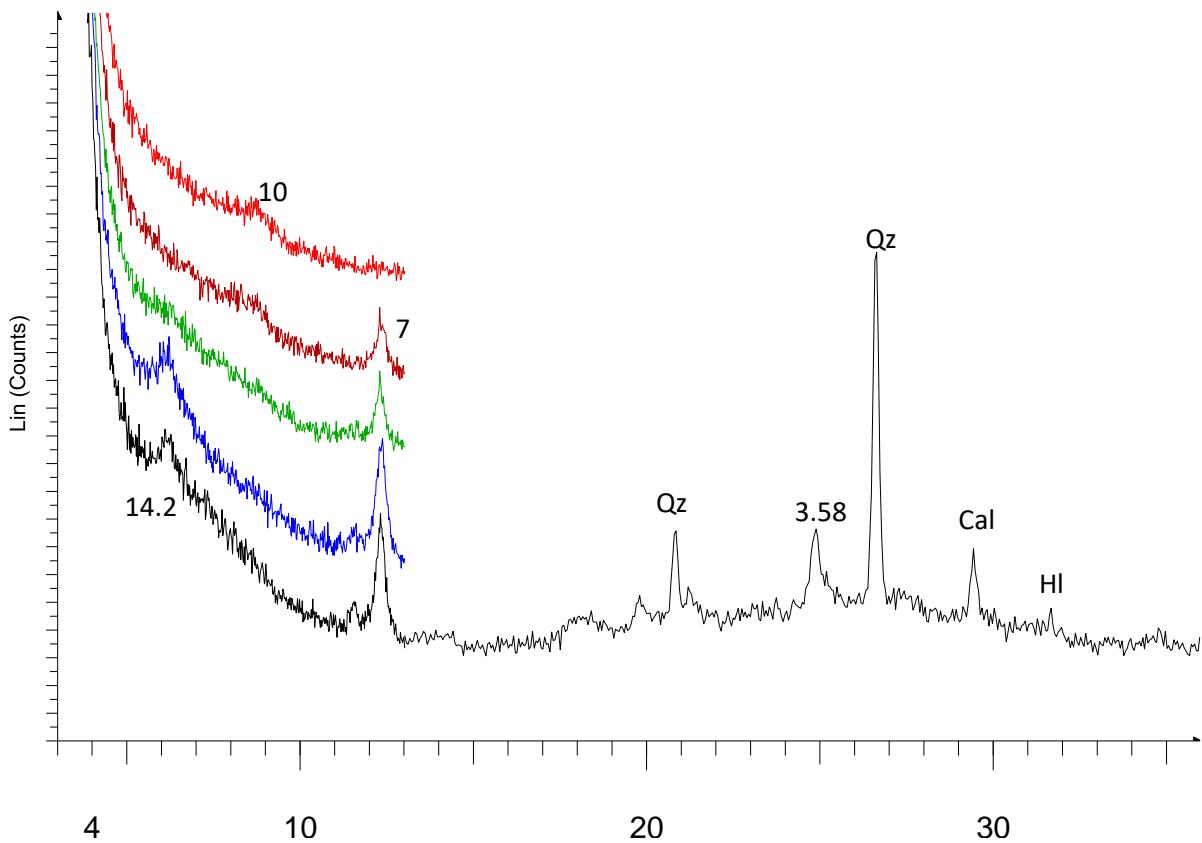
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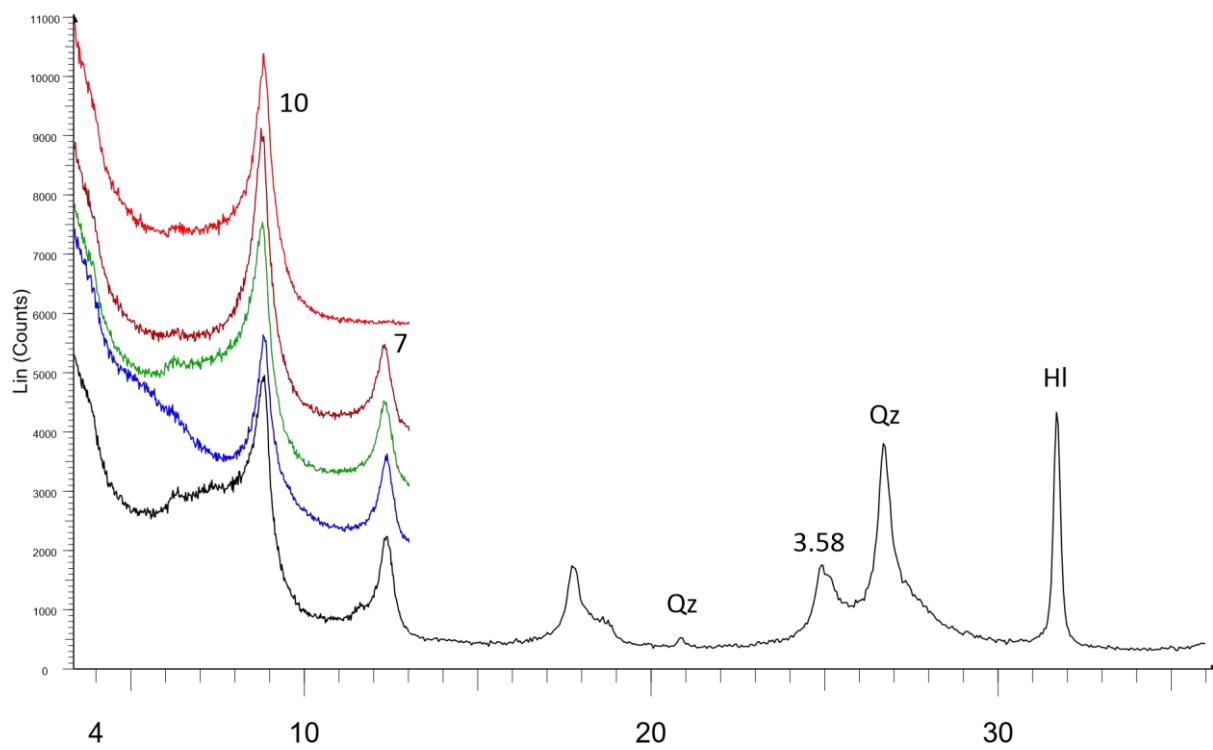
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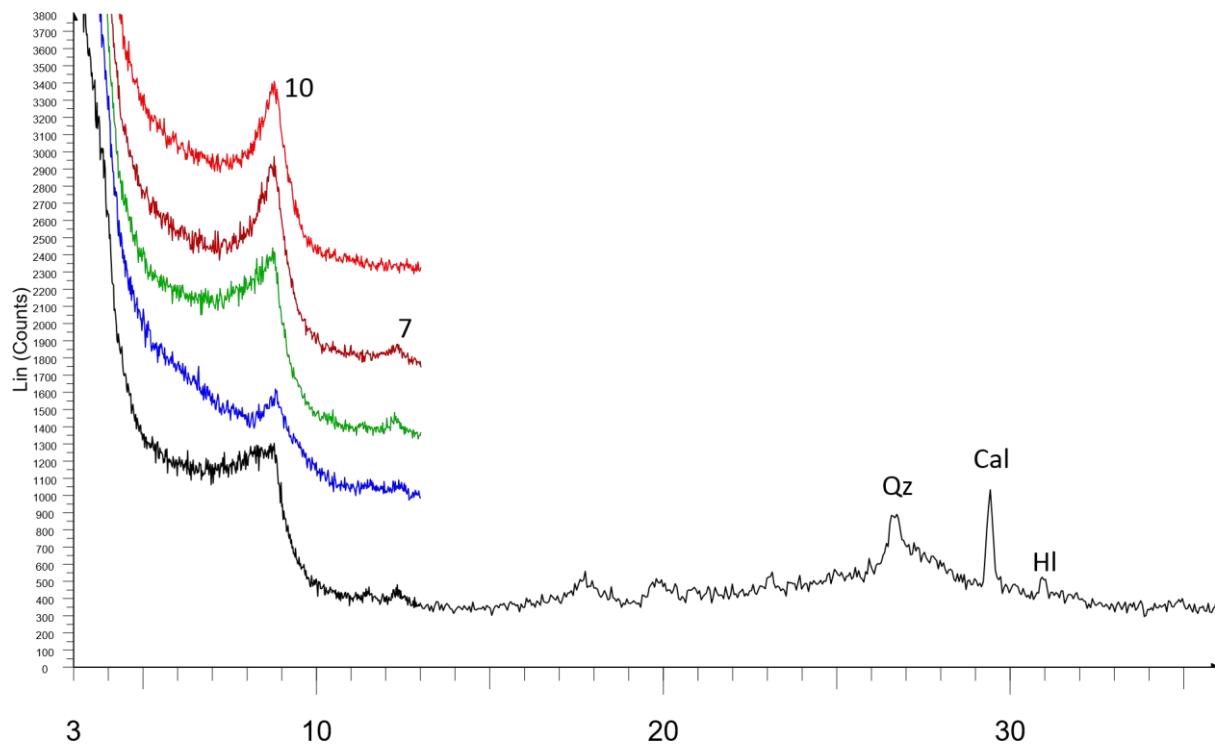
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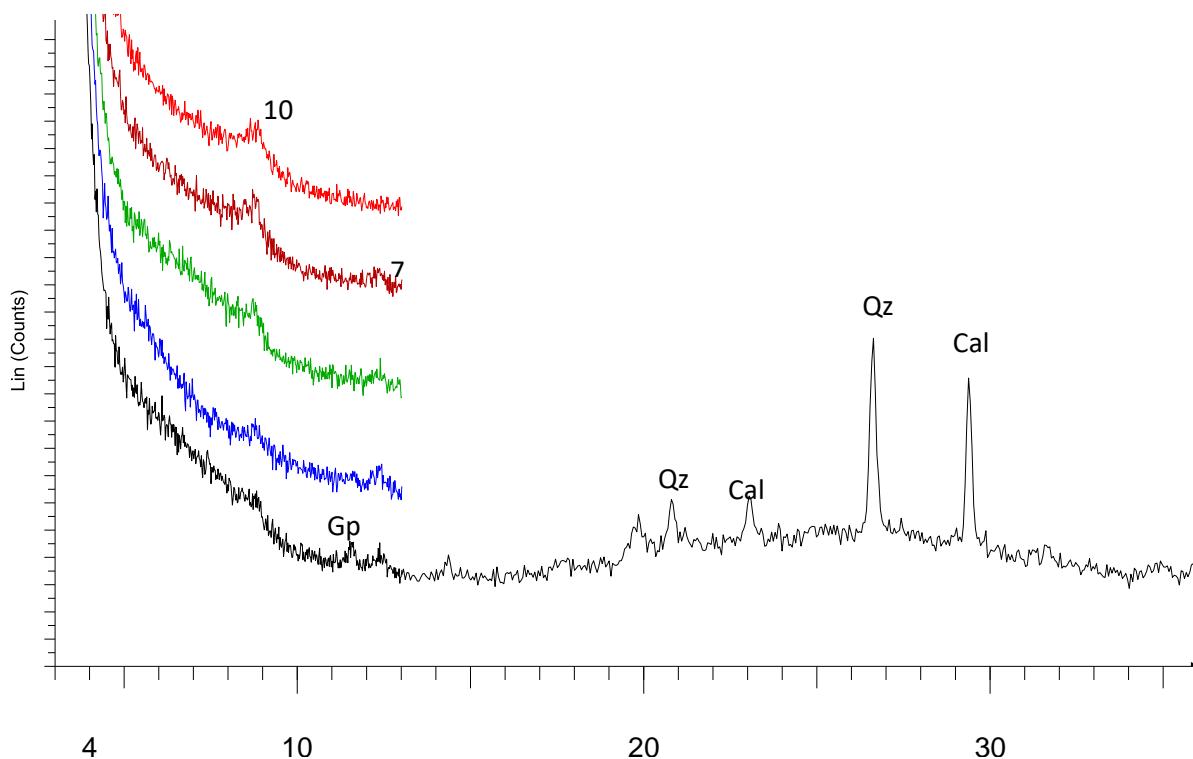
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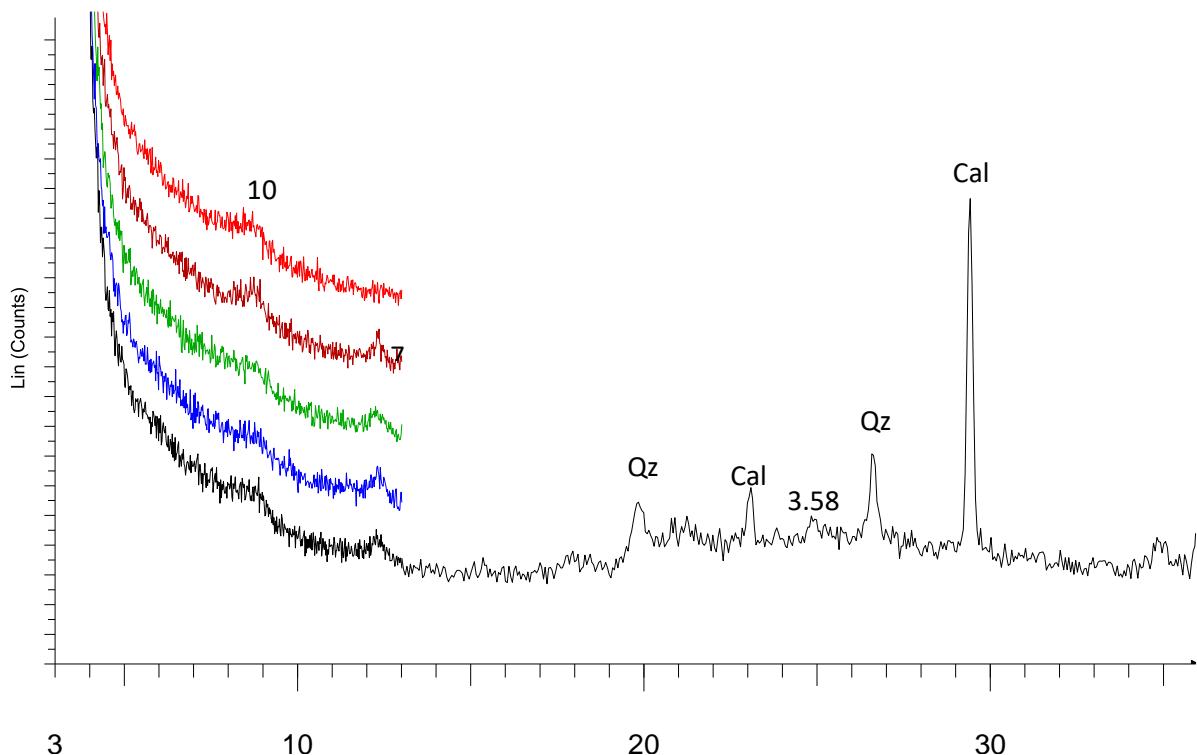
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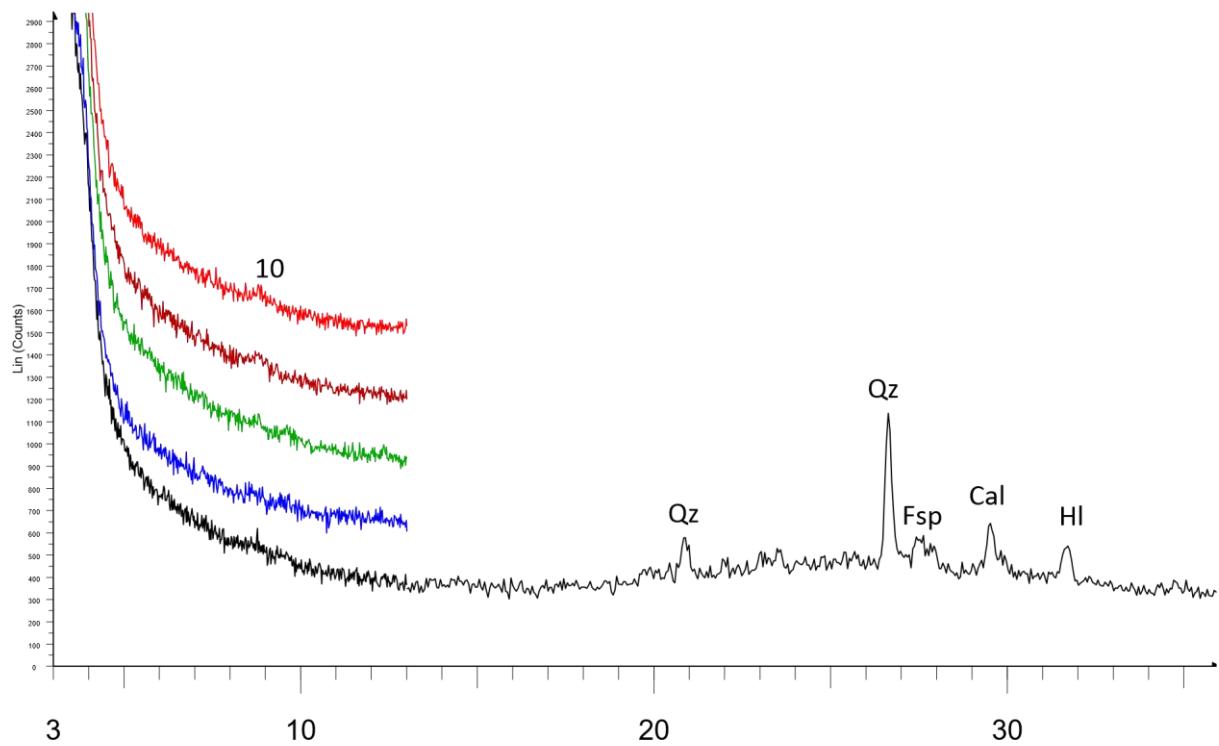
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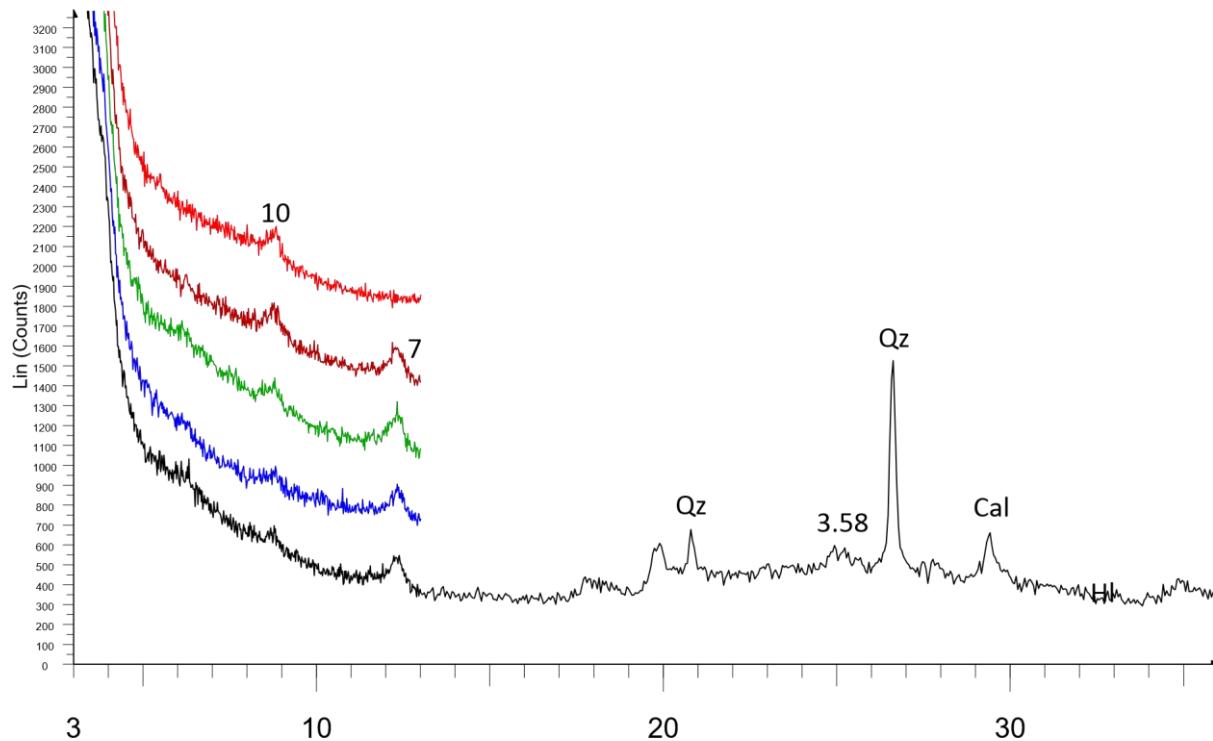
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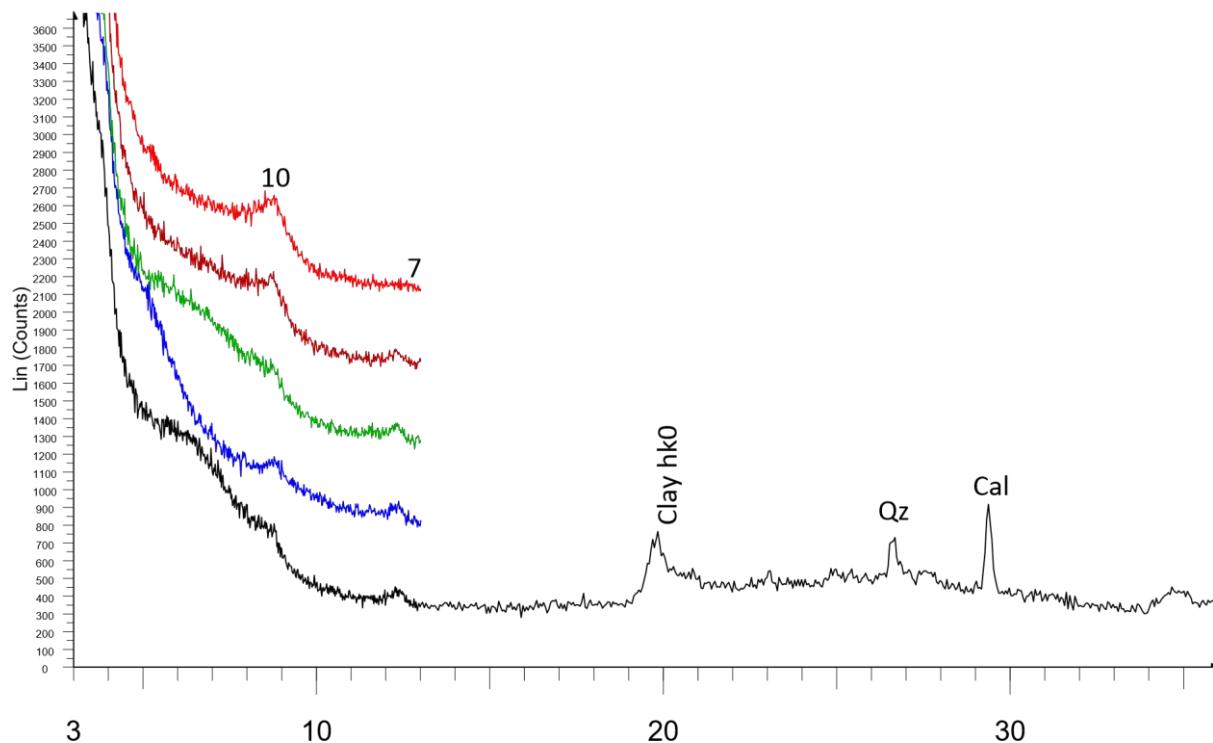
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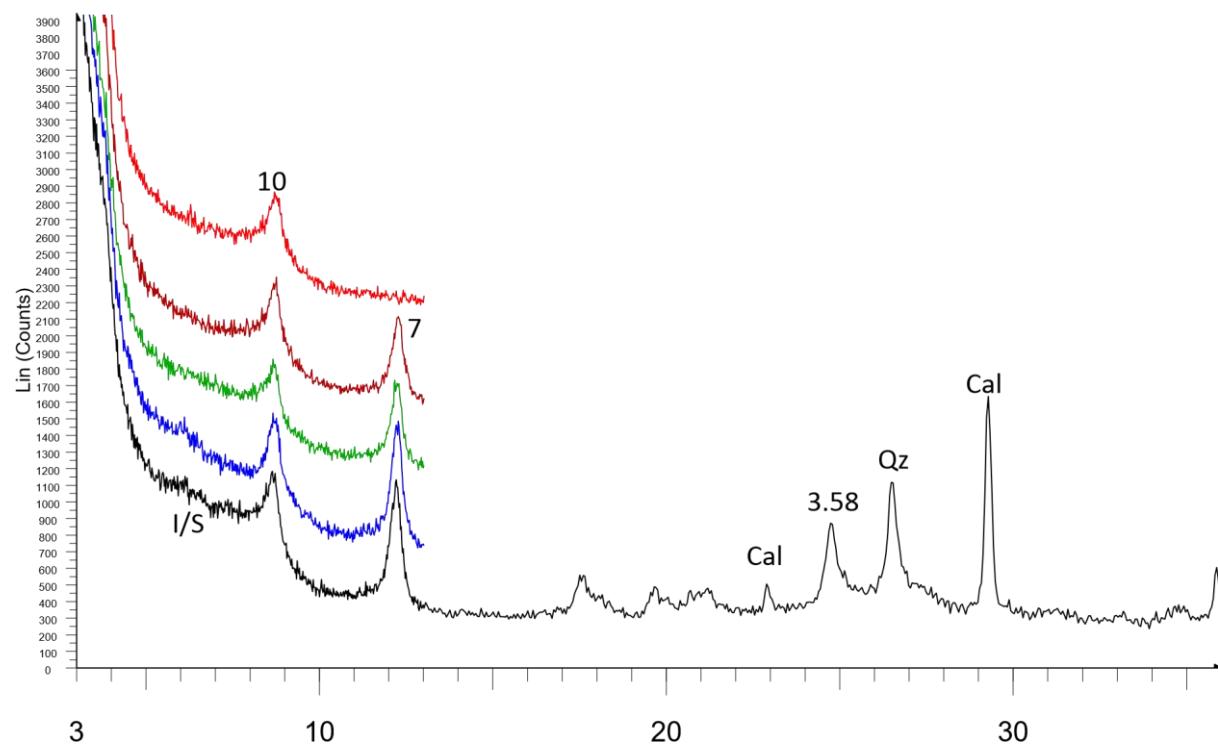
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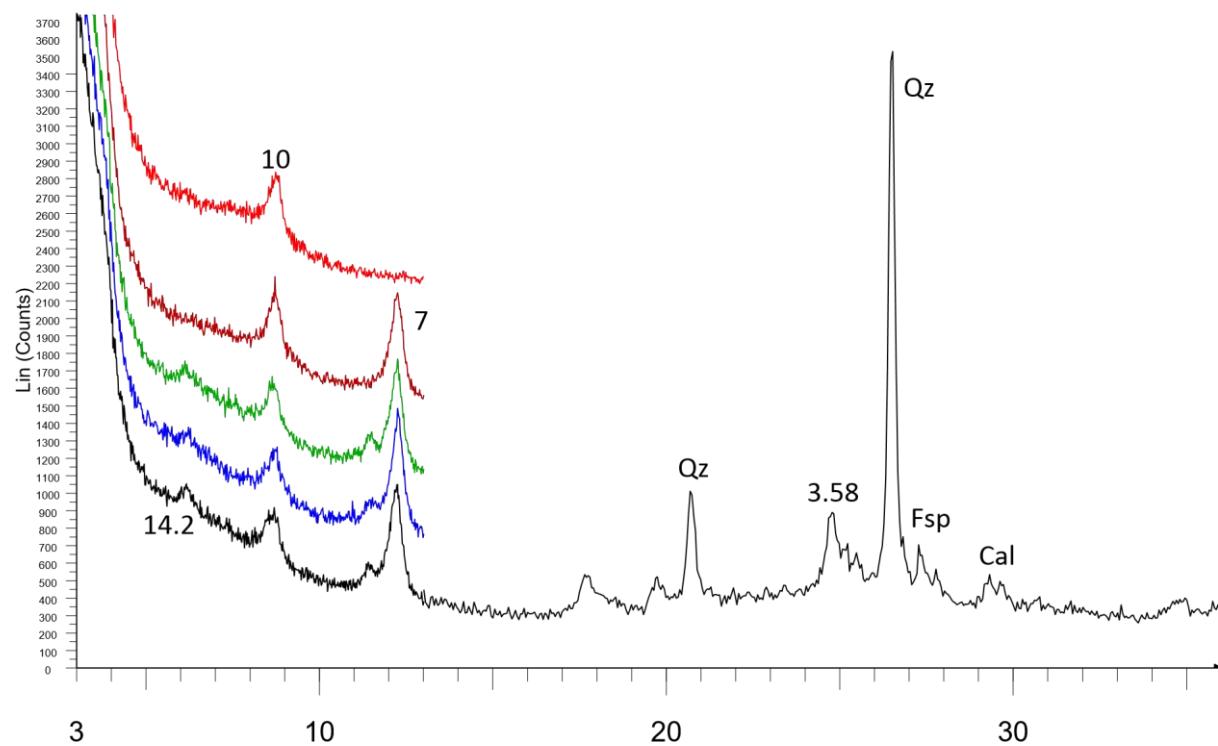
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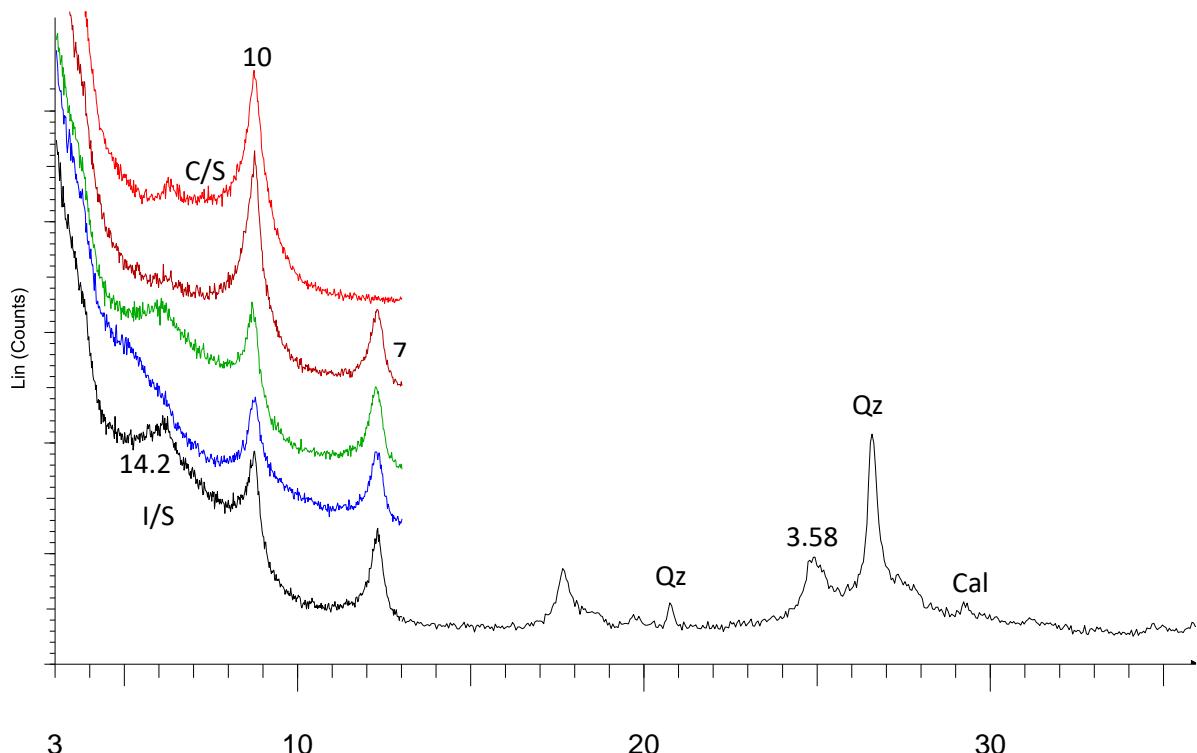
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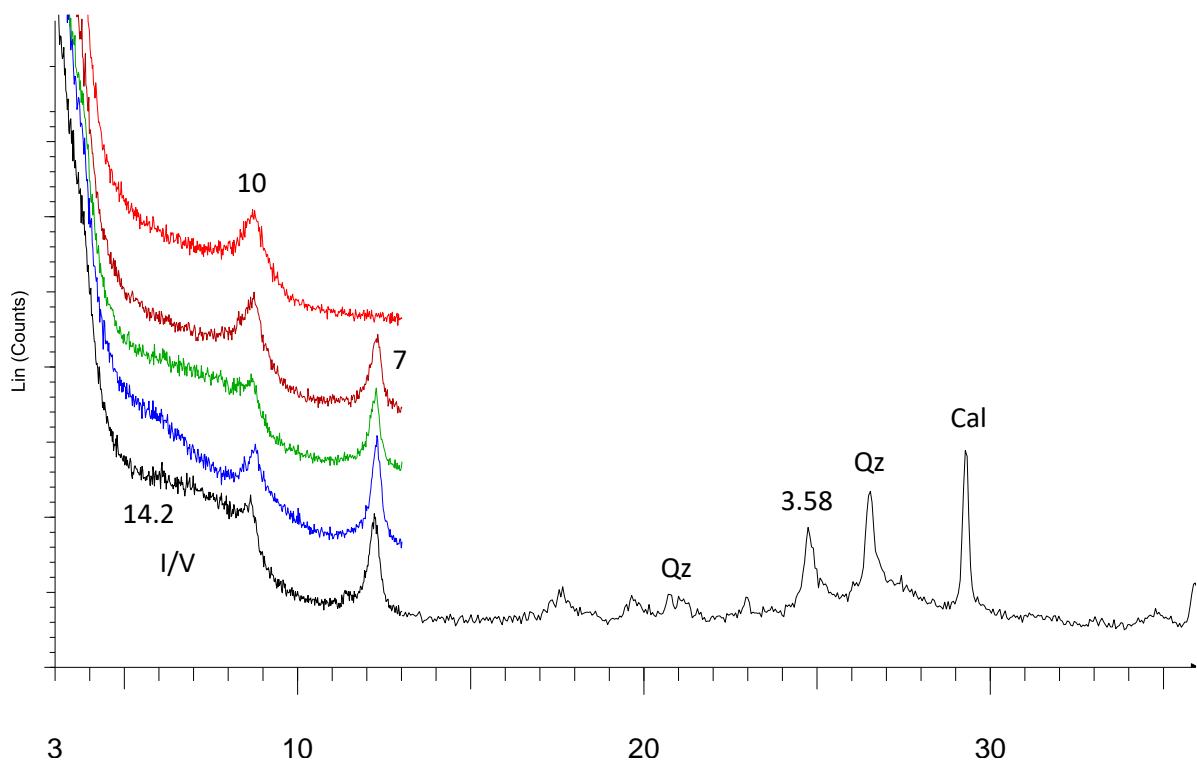
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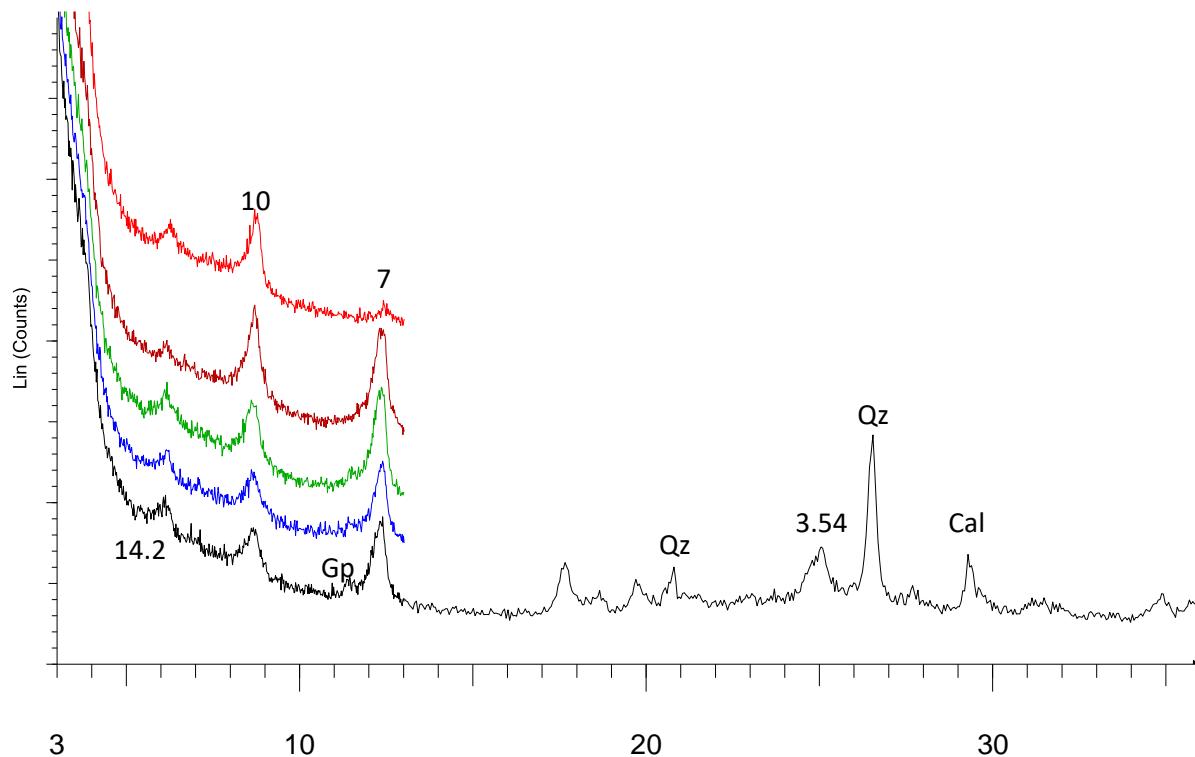
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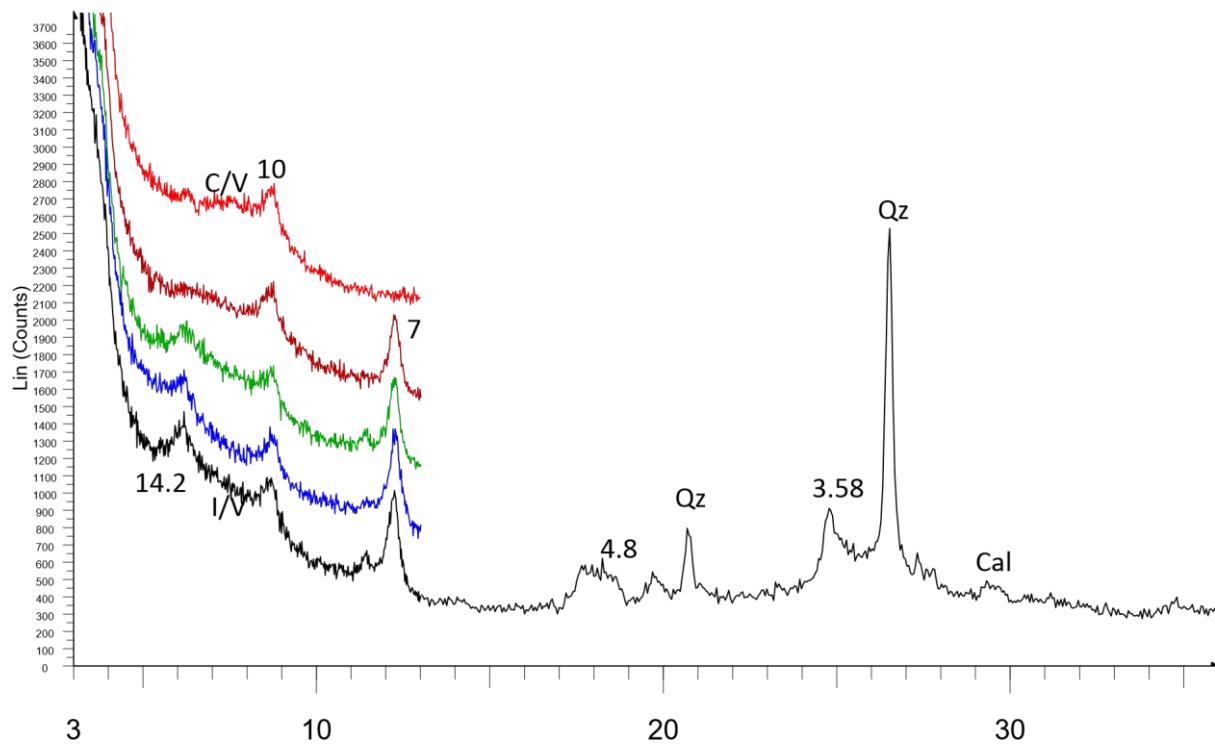
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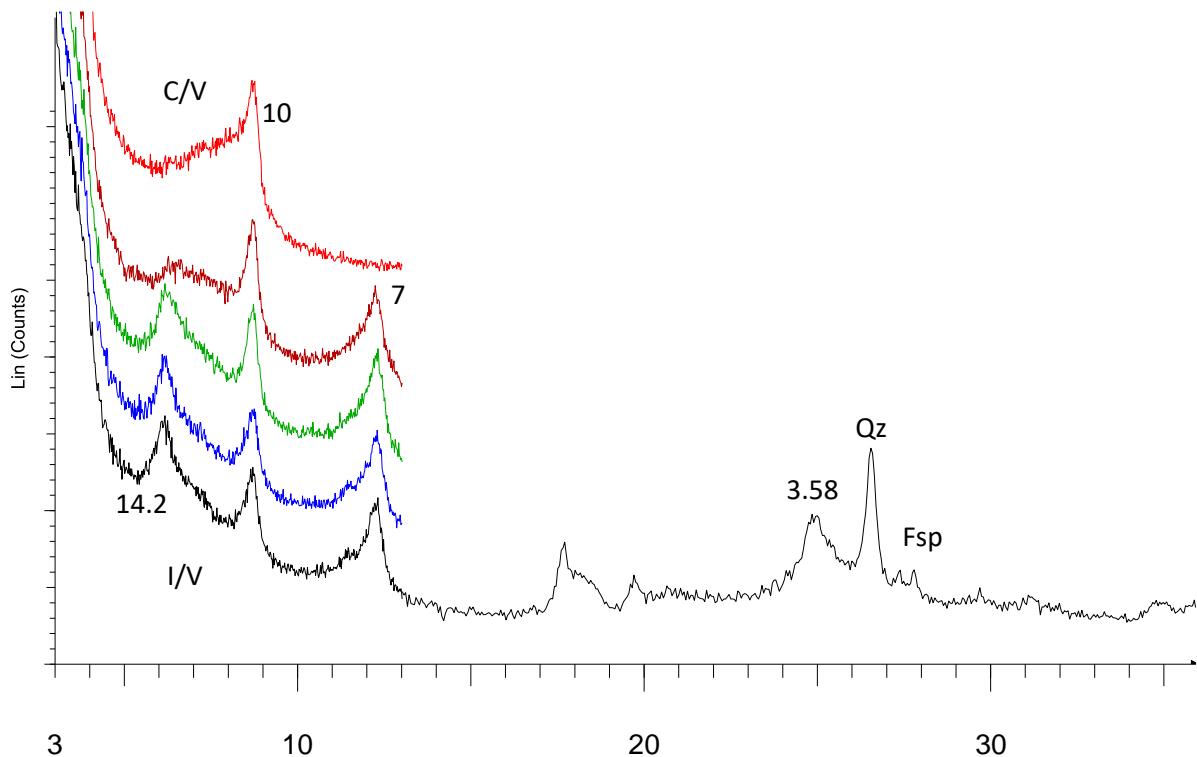
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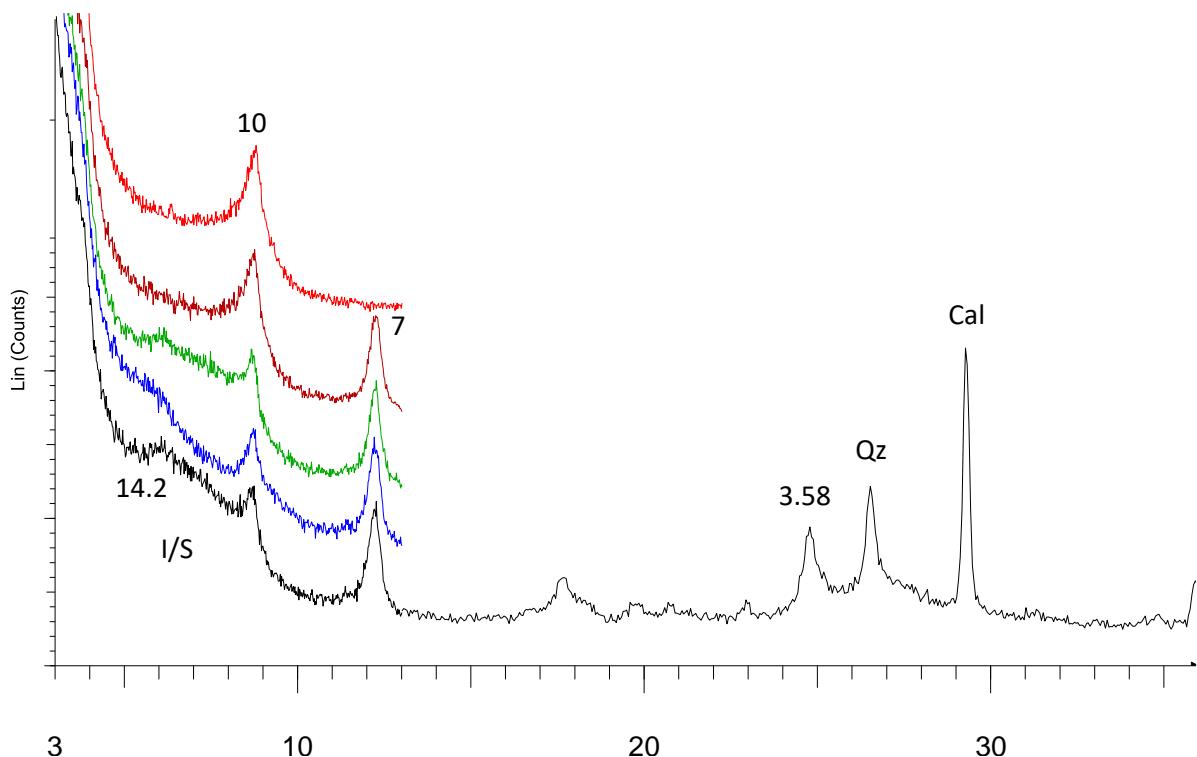
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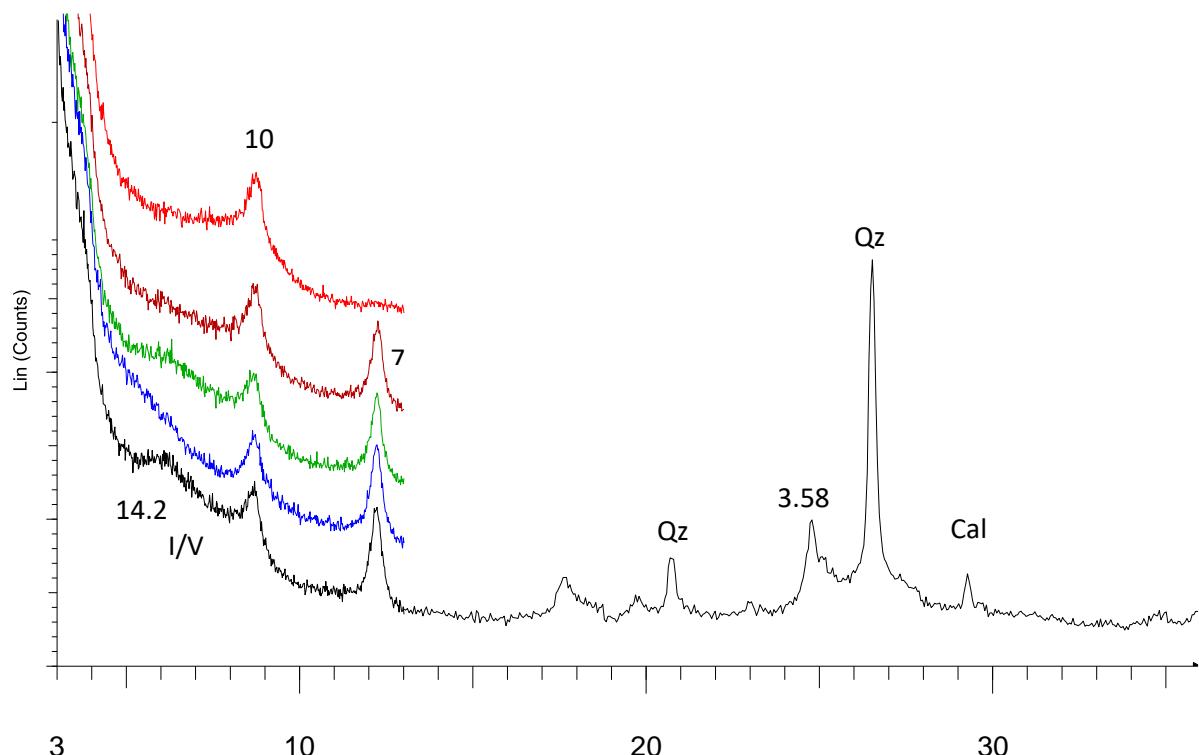
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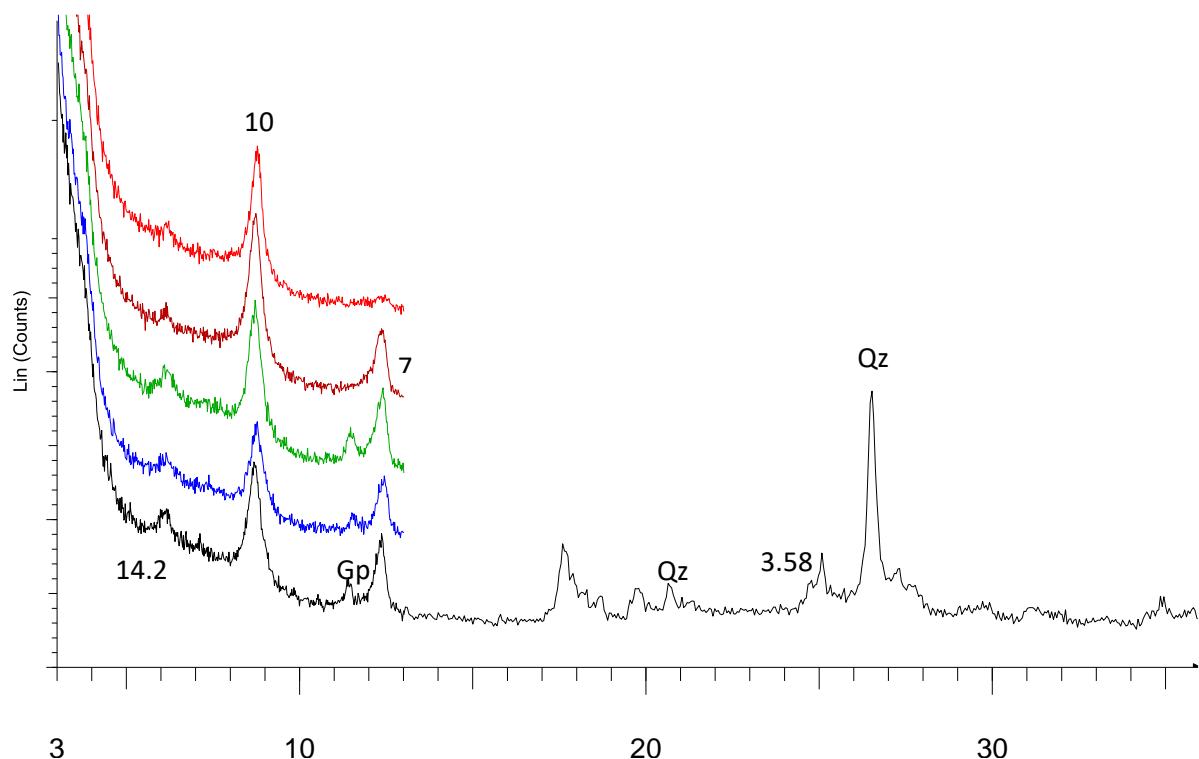
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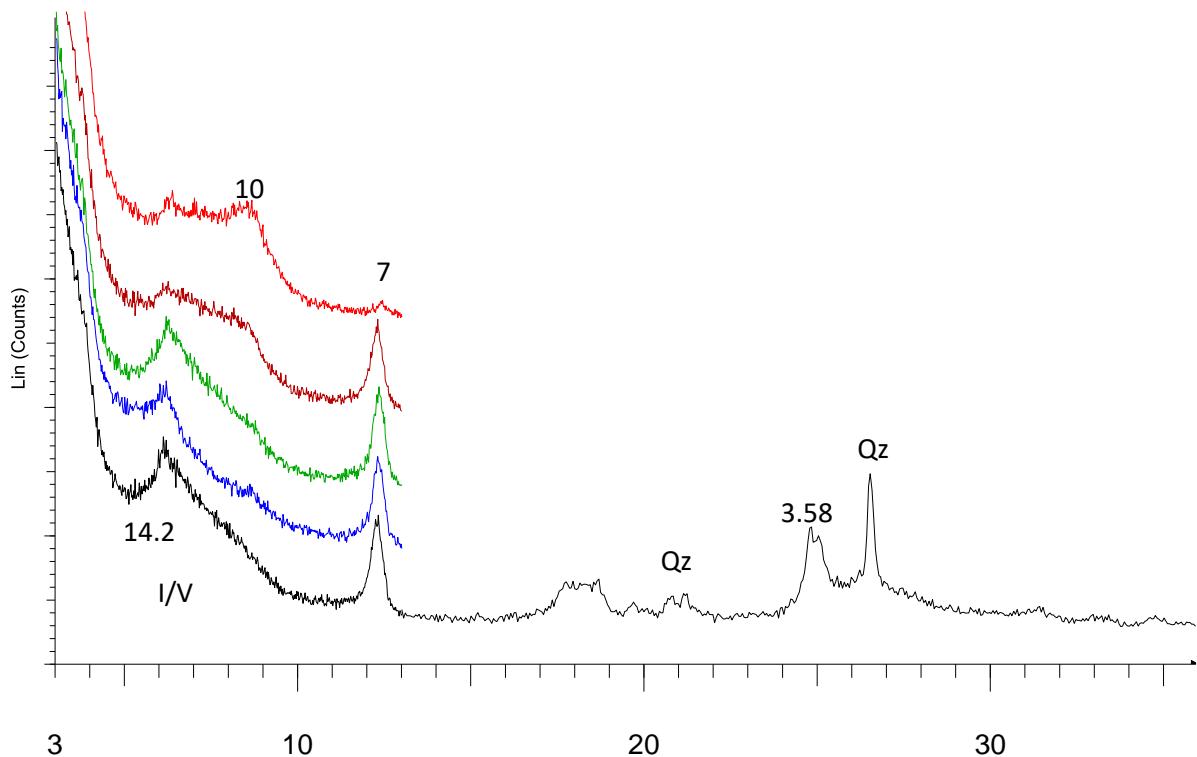
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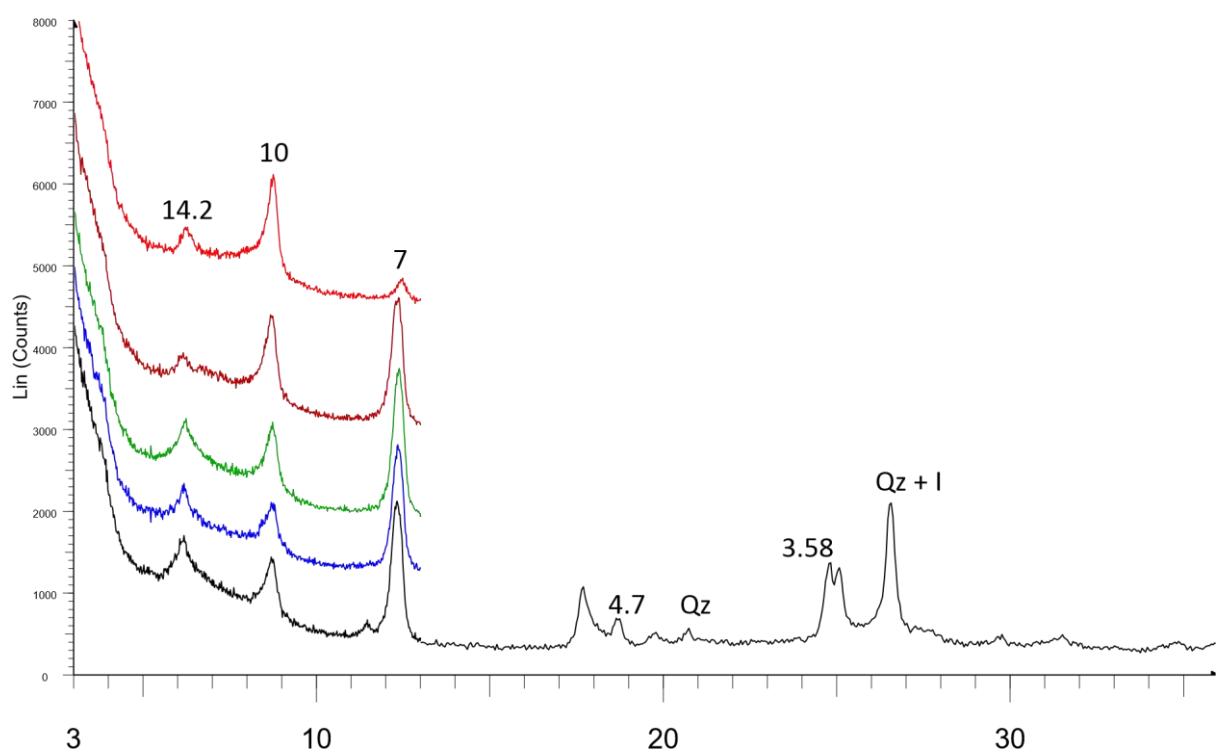
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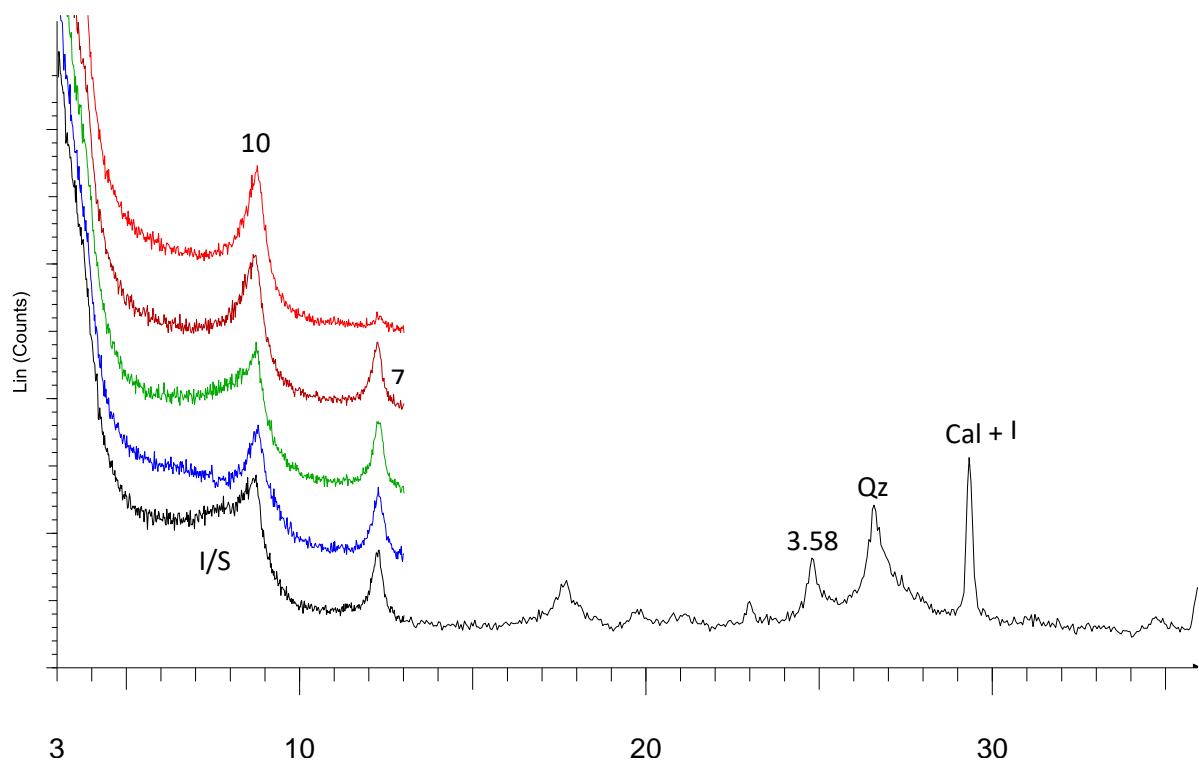
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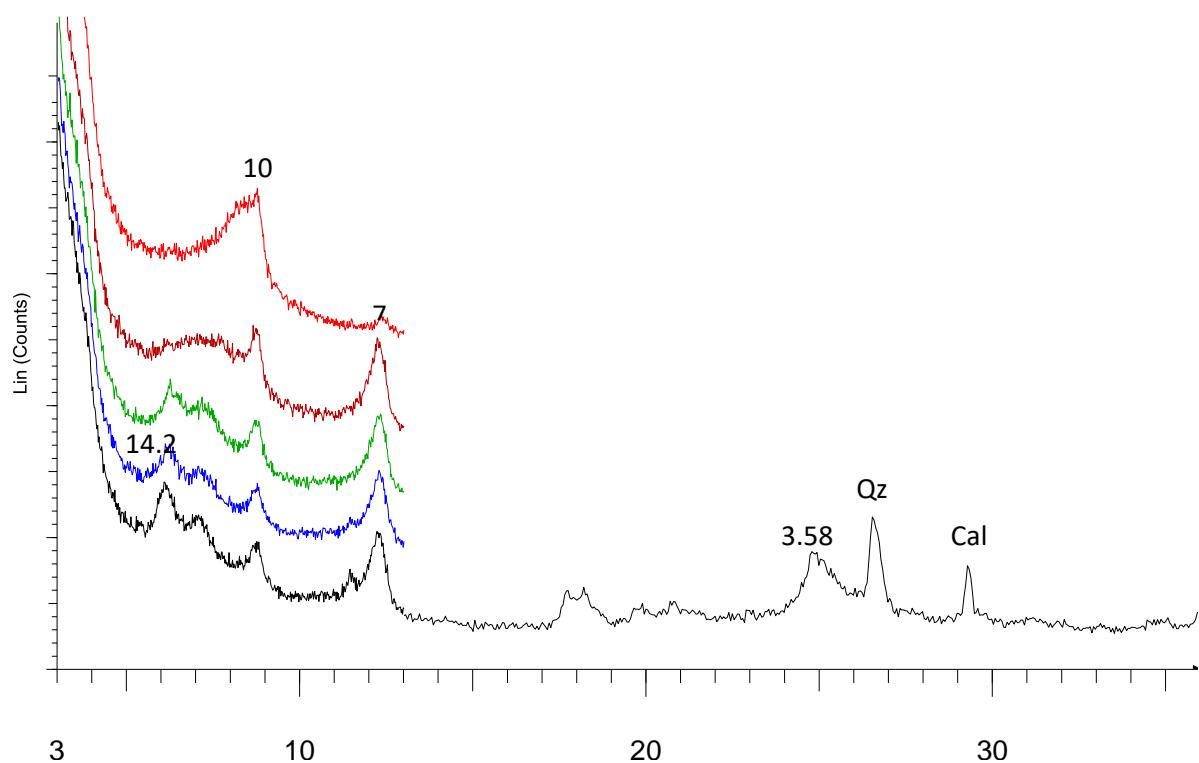
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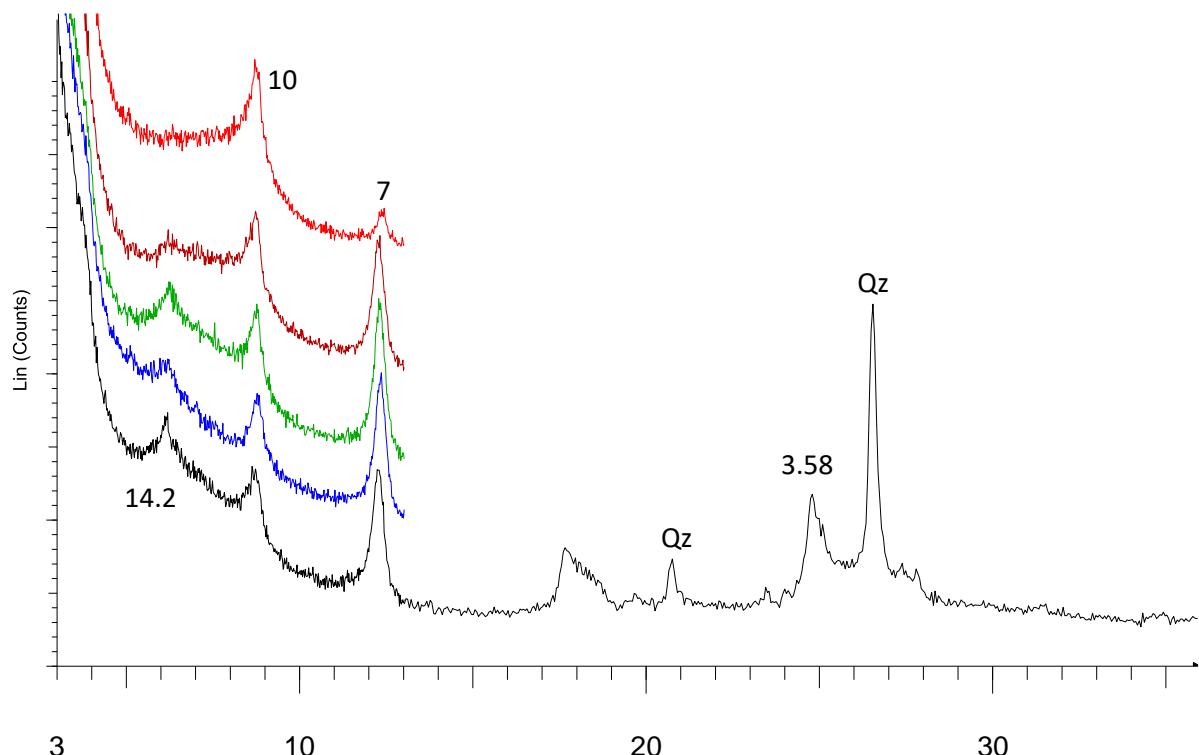
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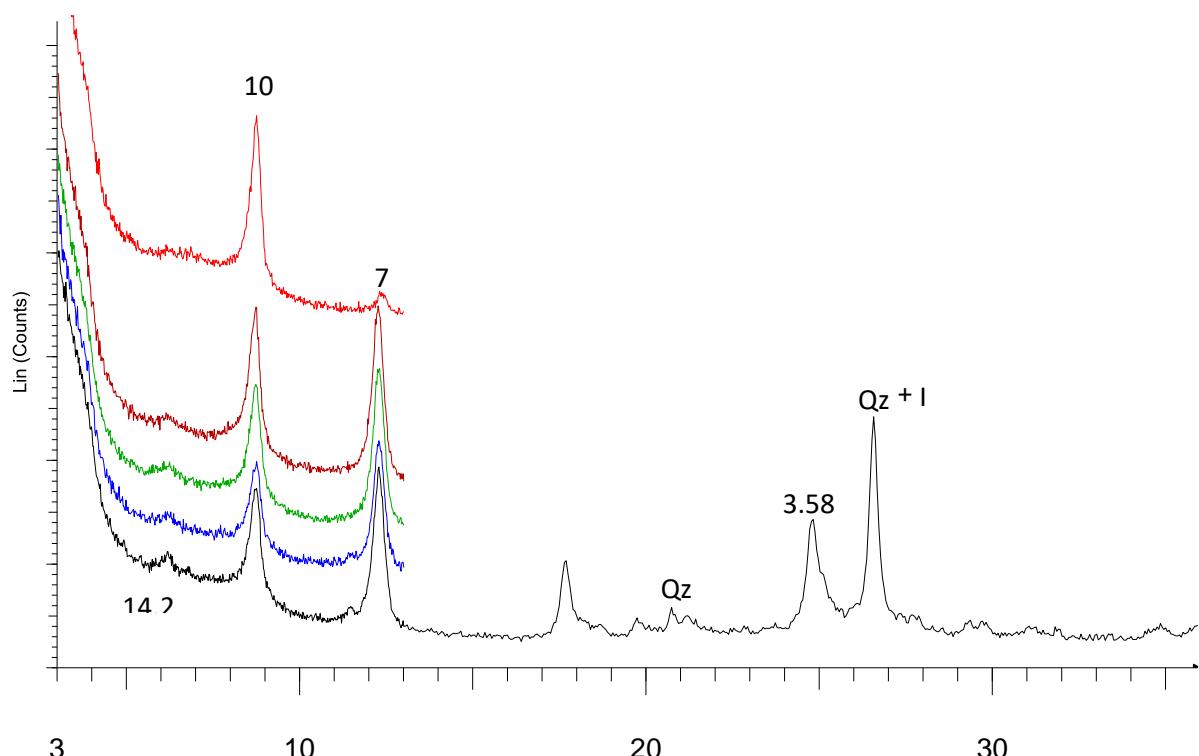
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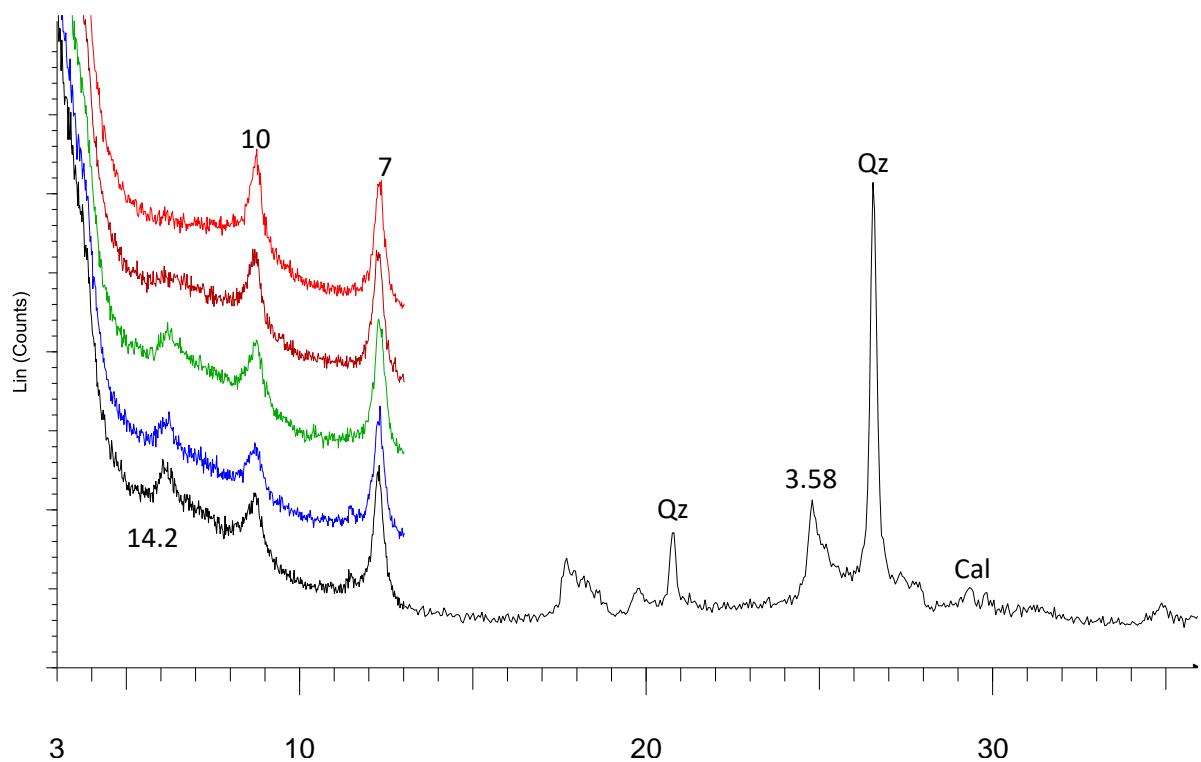
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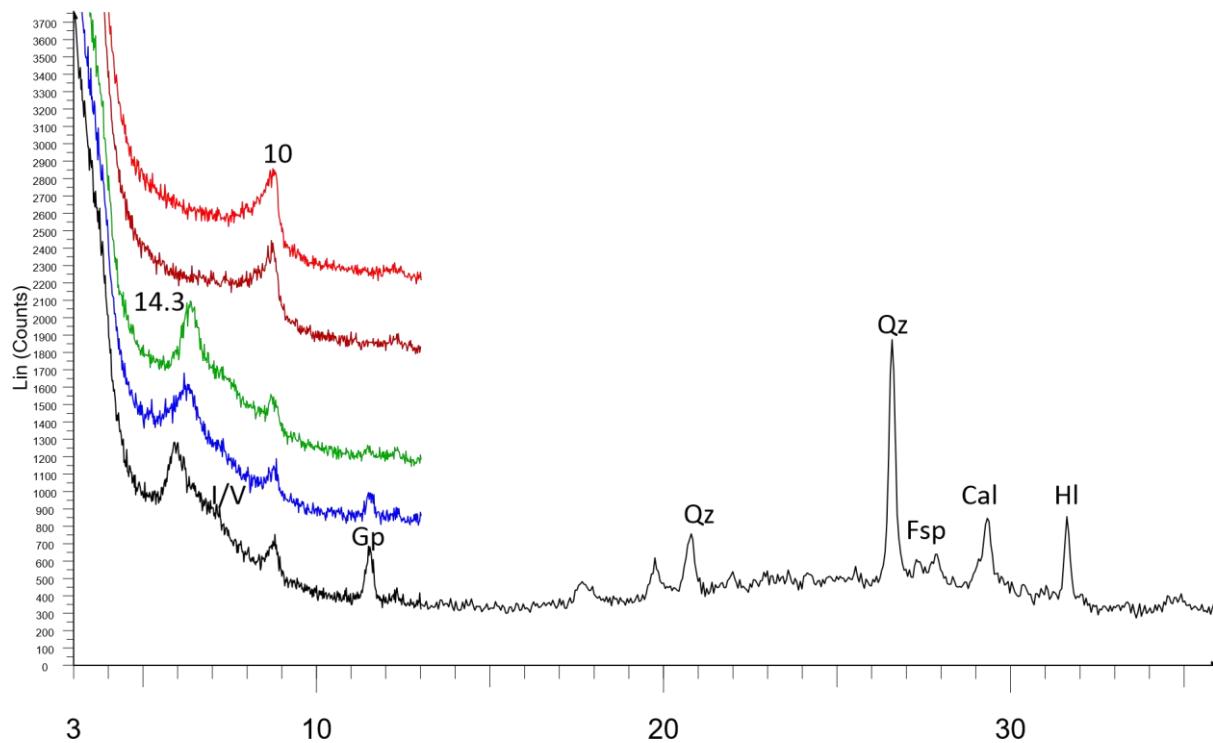


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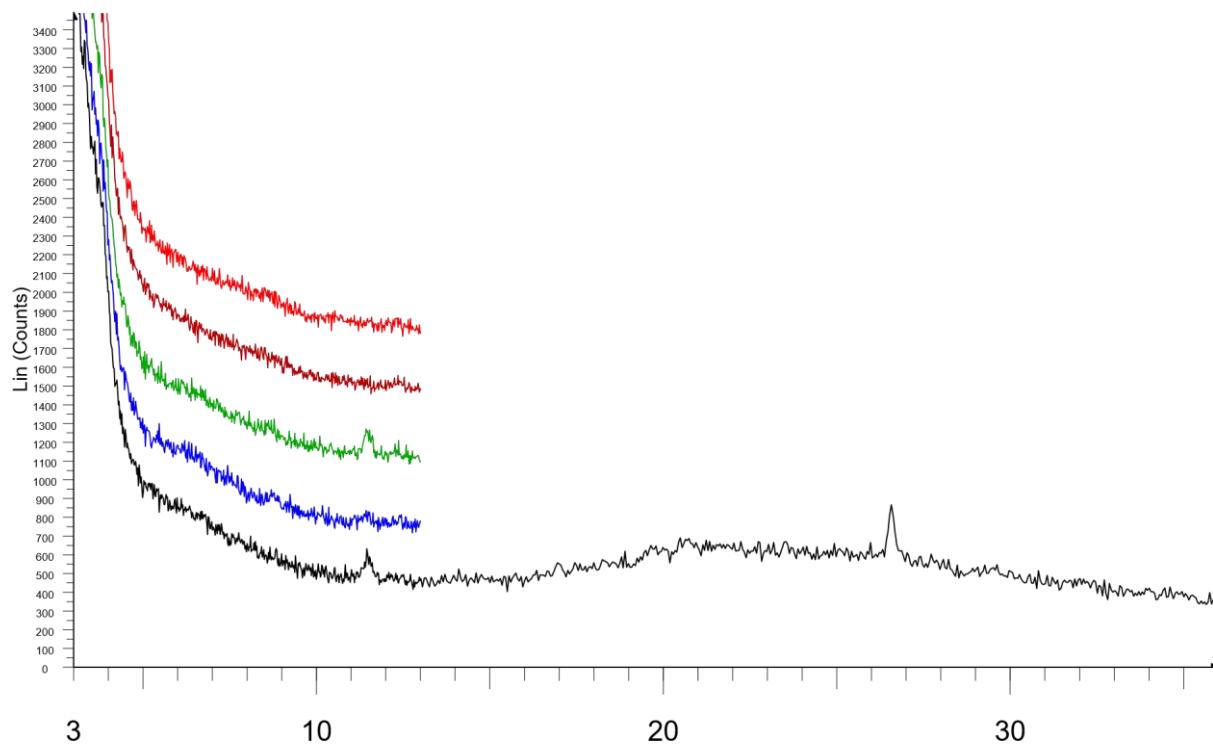


**Annex 24. RX Diffractograms from Series**

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LU17 00089 035



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