

Supplement

A progressively elevated temperature (PET) IRSL SAR procedure – first experiments and results

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Abbreviations

1	DRC (supplement only)	dose-response curve
2	DRC-Aim (supplement only)	Expected dose reflected by REG 100 %
3	DRC 100 s (supplement only)	dose-response curve build-up around the central REG 100 % (expected dose) which here corresponds to 100 s/10.6 Gy; like (13) used in the main text
4	HBL	hotbleach
5	LAB	laboratory dose (dose administered in the luminescence reader)
6	NRM	normalisation dose (also “test dose”) used for sensitivity correction of a SAR measurement
7	PET	progressively elevated temperature; here PET-IRSL SAR
8	PET _{max}	maximum readout temperature during PET-IRSL SAR
9	PET-peak	Peak of the signal curve in the high-temperature PET-IRSL range
10	PHT	preheat temperature
11	REG	regeneration dose point
12	REGs	placed at 40 %, 70 %, 100 %, 130 %, 160 %, 0 % and 100 % of an expected dose for dose-response curve construction
13	2500 s/300 Gy dose response curve	dose-response curve build-up around the central REG 100 % (expected dose) which here corresponds to 2500 s/300 Gy

S1. Supplement 1 – LPS Baix – HDS-1776

S1.1. Results of the NRM test on sample HDS-1776 from the loess-palaeosol section (LPS) Baix

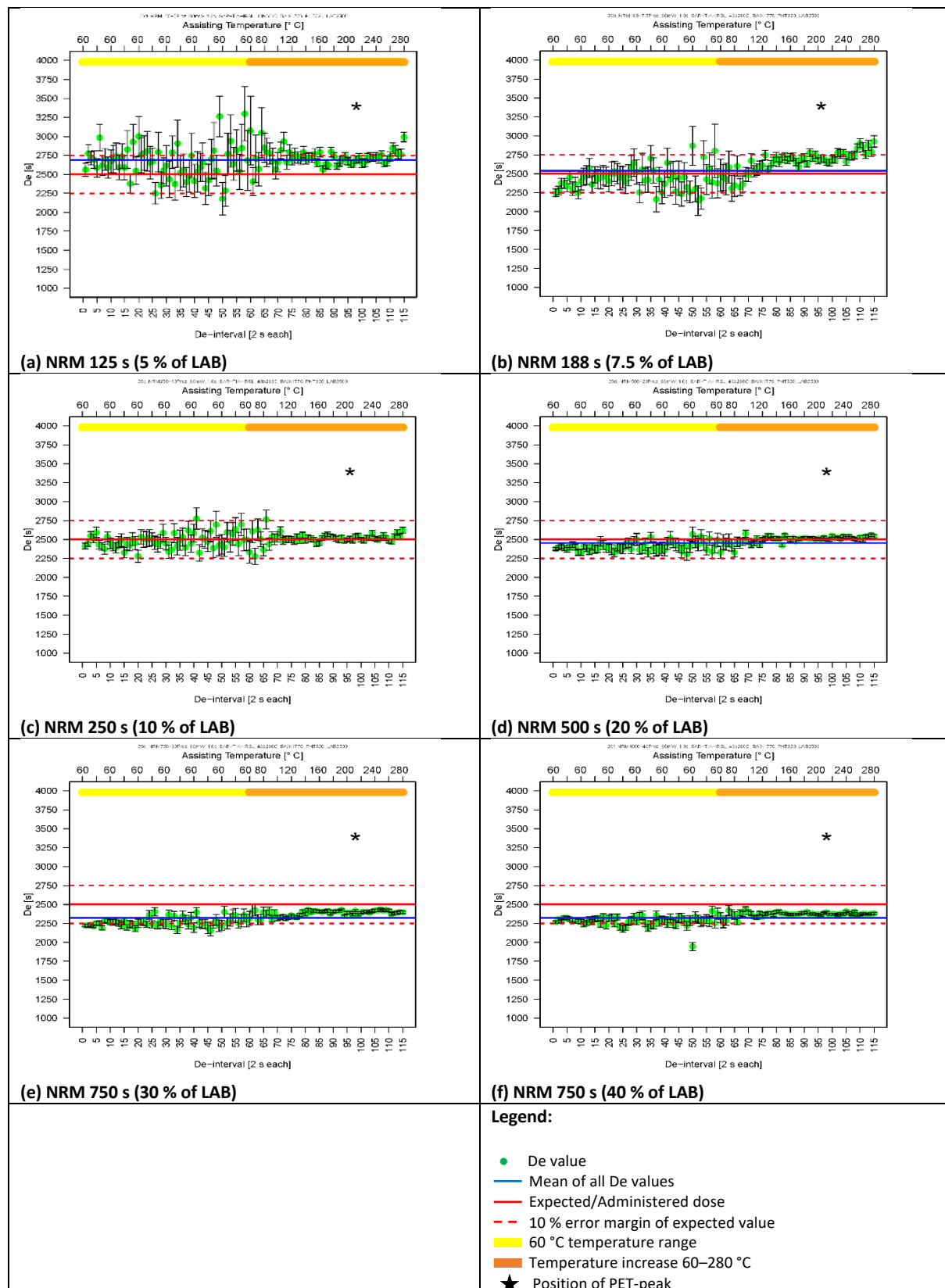
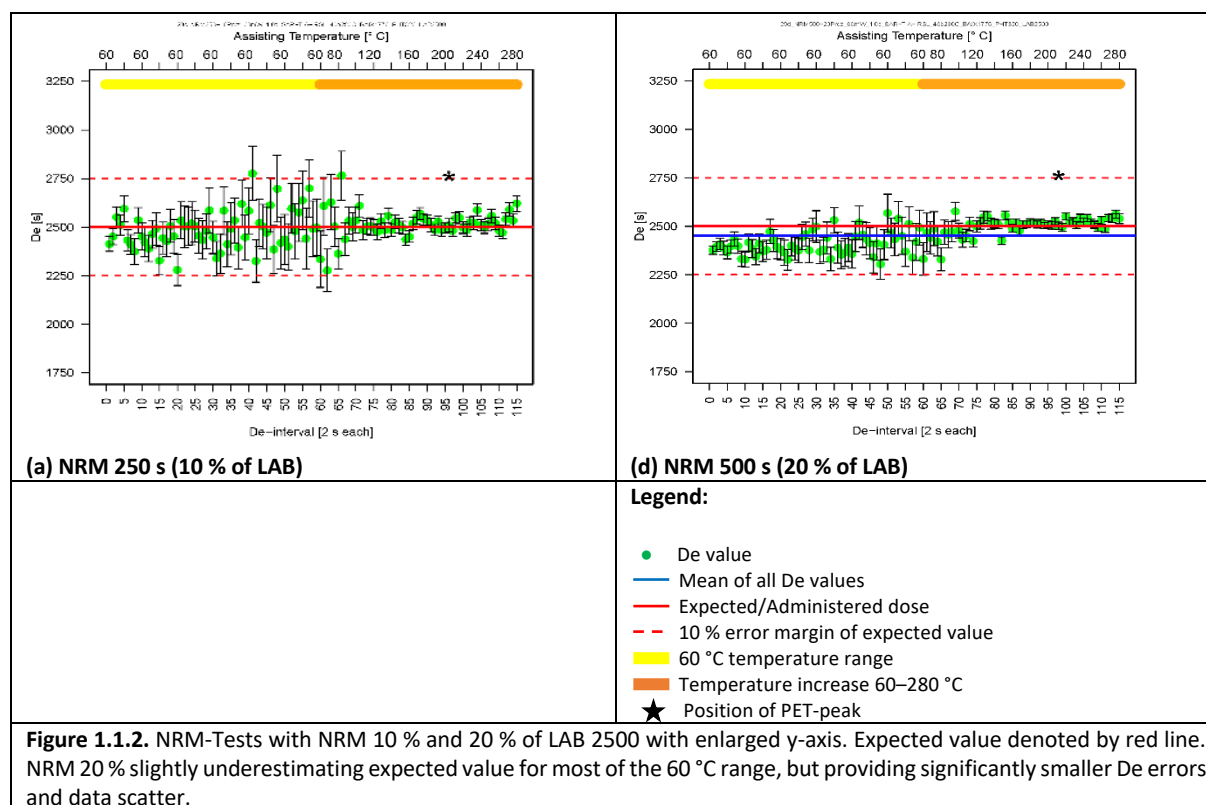


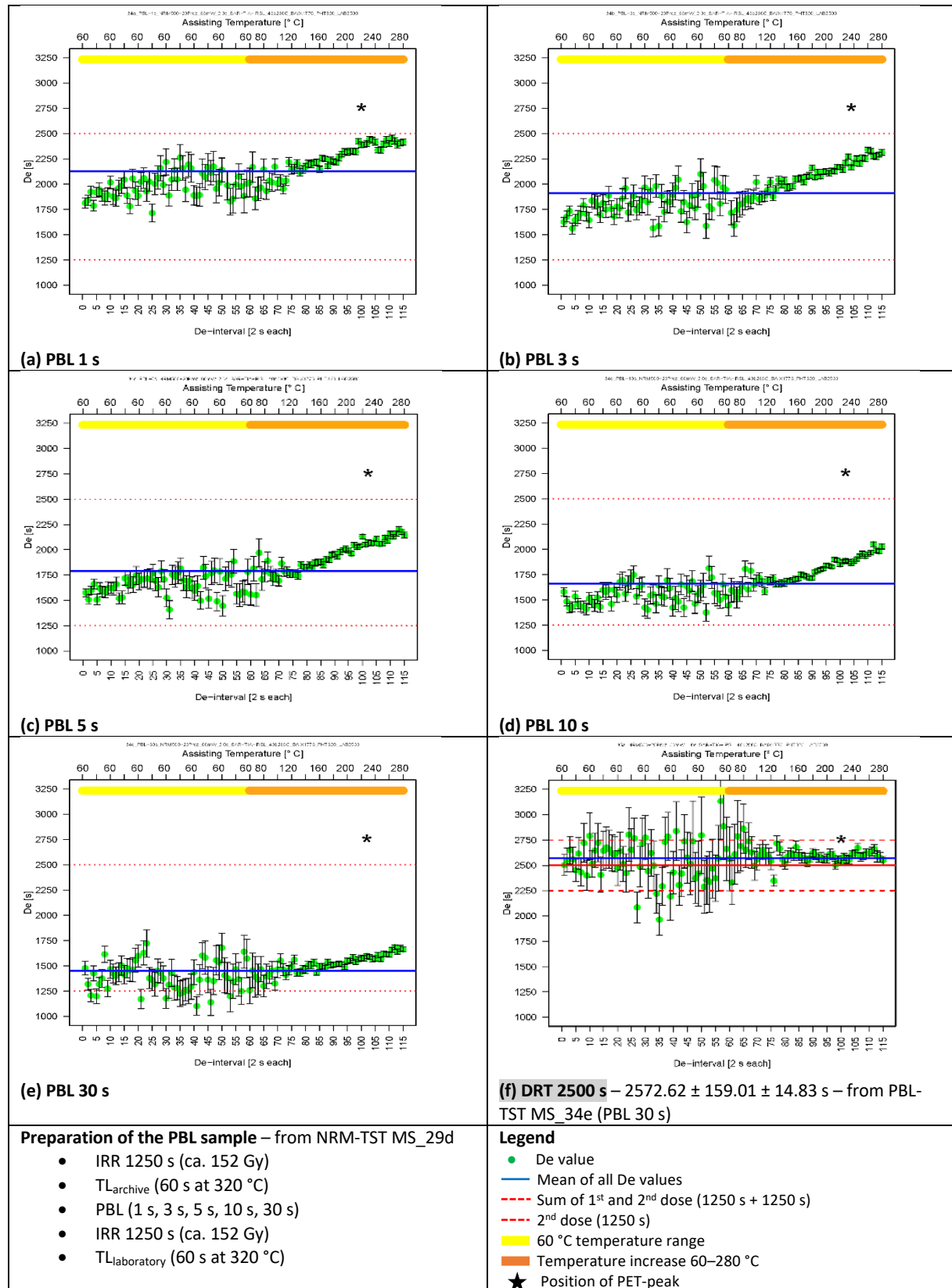
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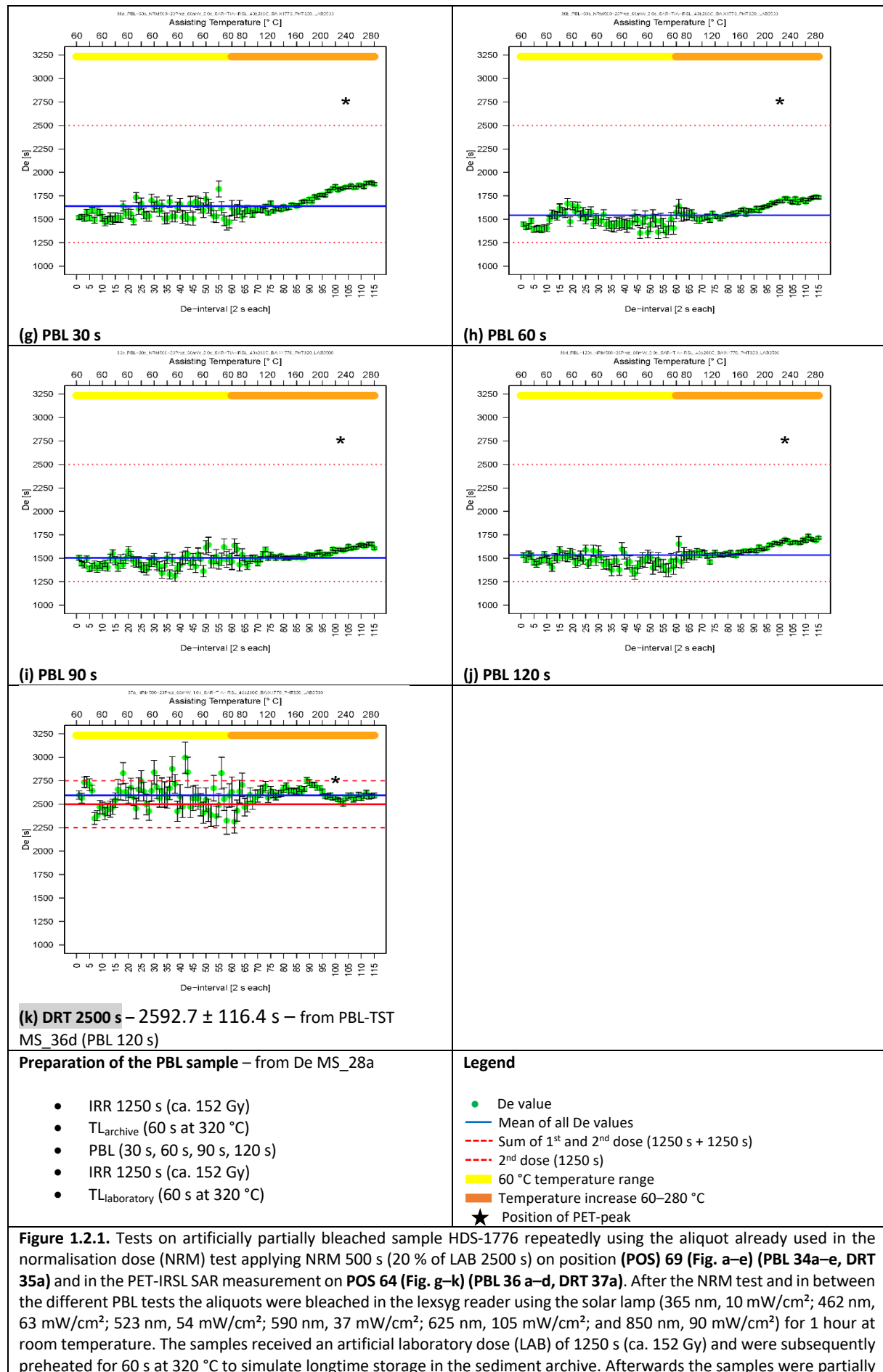
20 %, 30 % and 40 % of LAB (one aliquot each; cf. pIR₆₀IR₂₂₅ screening and dating studies by Pfaffner et al. 2024; 2025). The TL preheat was 60 s at 320 °C (280 °C in the previous studies). PET starting with 120 s IR at 60 °C (cf. yellow line along top horizontal axis), followed by continuous temperature increase from 60 °C to 280 °C (cf. orange line along top horizontal axis) within 110 s (ramp 2 °C/s). The total IR-stimulation time is 120 s + 110 s = 230 s (2300 data channels; 0.1 s/data channel). Final green light stimulated luminescence (GRSL) hotbleach at 280 °C at the end of each SAR half-cycle (both REG and NRM half-cycle; no optical washing and or hotbleach in the pIR₆₀IR₂₂₅ studies). De-signal integral length for data analysis 2 s (20 data channels each; 115 integrals altogether; cf. bottom horizontal axis of graphs). Dose response curve fitted with a single exponential fit (*versus* exponential plus lineat fit in the pIR₆₀IR₂₂₅ studies) applying the function analyse_SAR.CWOSL of the R.Luminescence package (developer version 09.24.9000–106; Kreutzer et al. 2024). Like in the screening and dating studies NRM of 10 % and 20 % gave the best results. For NRM 10 % the mean with standard deviation for the De-signal integrals 1–60 (corresponding to 120 s IR-readout at 60 °C) is 2482.4 ± 96.4 s and for the De-signal integrals 75–115 (IR-readout 120–280 °C) 2517.3 ± 37.4 s, for NRM 20 % the corresponding values are 2407.8 ± 58.1 s and 2517.0 ± 24.4 s. The relative De errors (1 sigma) range for NRM 10 % from 1.4–6.6 % for the readout at 60 °C and 1.1–1.7 % for the increasingly hotter readout, for NRM 20 % from 0.9–4.2 % for the readout at 60 °C and 0.6–1.2 % for the hotter readout. While the central value slightly underestimates the given dose by 3.7 % for the 60 °C readout with NRM 20 %, the errors of the individual De values as well as the mean values are somewhat smaller for NRM 20 %. Although a „perfect“ dose recovery for both, lower and higher temperature assistance, might be an important issue for some applications (e.g., if the post-isothermal (pit-)IR protocol shall be applied for which the lower and higher temperature Des are the base to calculate a derived De for age calculation; Lamothe et al. 2020) this is not the case for the present study. We assume that the De values gained at a lower temperature are of a minor quality associated with instable crystal defects. Therefore, we decided for **NRM 20 % (500 s)** providing not only the smaller errors but which had also been used in the predecessor studies on the Baix loess samples.



S1.2. PBL-tests on HDS-1776 – White-light bleaching – repeatedly used aliquots

S1.2.1. Results of the partial bleach (PBL) tests on sample HDS-1776 from the loess-palaeosol section Baix – Variant IRR 1250 s + TL_{archive} + PBL + IRR 1250 s + TL_{Laboratory}



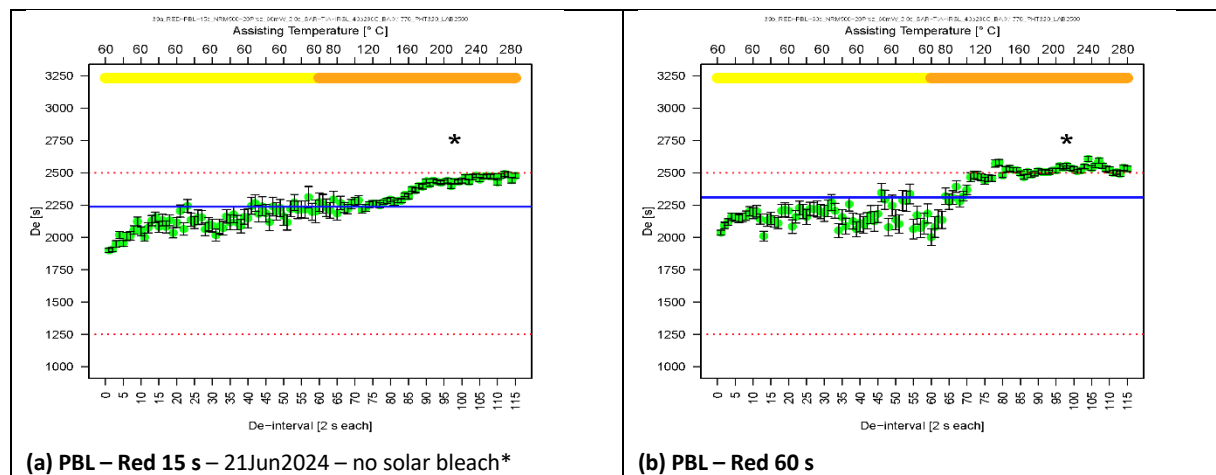


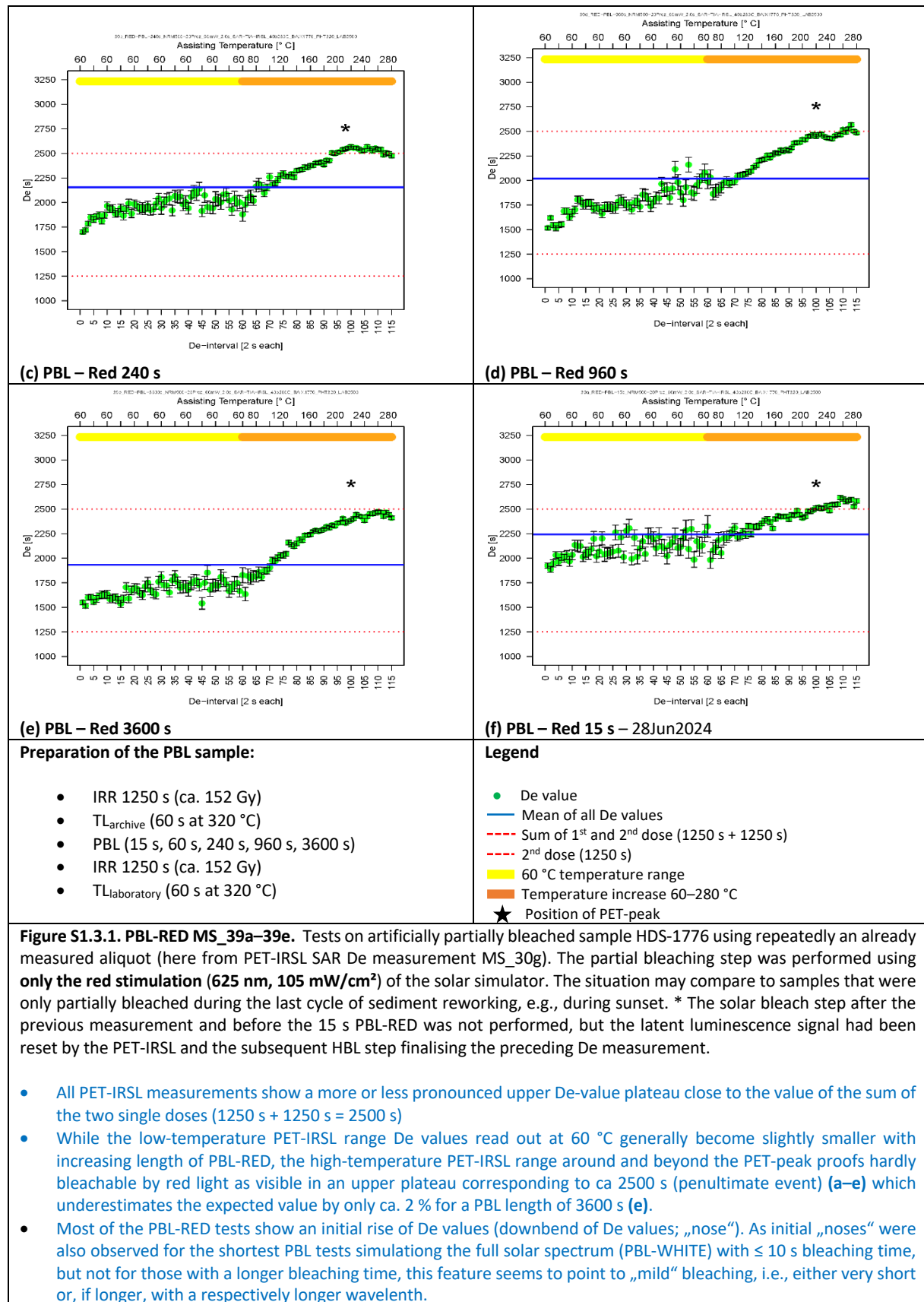
bleached using the same wavelengths and stimulation powers as for the signal resetting in between the different tests. PBL occurred once for 1 s, 3 s, 5 s, 10 s or 30 s (**Fig. a–e**) (**PBL 34a–e, aliquot on POS 69**) and 30 s, 60 s, 90 or 120 s (**Fig. g–k**) (**PBL 36 a–d, aliquot on POS 64**). The situation compares to samples that were only partially bleached during the last cycle of sediment reworking. Afterwards, the sample was irradiated again with 1250 s simulating a respective period of sediment storage. The samples were then measured with the usual PET-IRSL SAR protocol starting with a preheat at 320 °C for 60 s prior to the thermally increasingly assisted IRSL readout. Each PET-SAR halfcycle (both REG and NRM cycles) was finished by a green-light stimulated luminescence (GRSL) hotbleach at 280 °C. De-signal integral length for data analysis 2 s (20 data channels each; 115 integrals altogether; cf. bottom horizontal axis of graphs). Dose response curve fitted with a single exponential fit applying the function `analyse_SAR.CWOSL` of the R.Luminescence package (developer version 09.24.9000–106; Kreutzer et al. 2024). Each sequence of PBL tests on an aliquot was accomplished by a DRT on that aliquot. The PBL test series are accomplished by a PET-IRSL DRT (**Fig. f, k**).

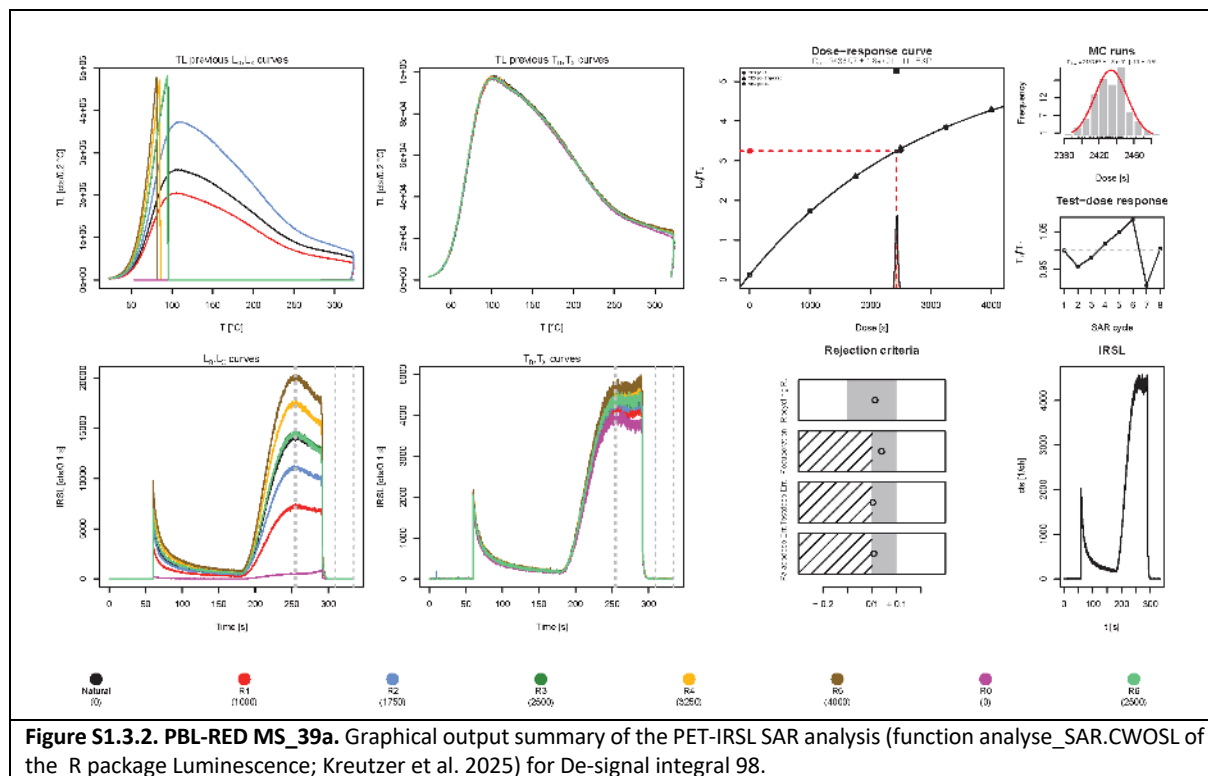
- All PBL tests show a significant increase of De values especially for the high-temperature PET-IRSL range
- The test with the shortest PBL length shows an upper plateau underestimating the expected dose by only 3.8 %
- No shift of the high-temperature PET-peak of the „natural“ signal and no strong dip of initial De values
- The aliquot on POS 64 seems not as well bleachable as the aliquot on POS 69. PBL 30 s of POS 64 starts at a higher De level as PBL 30 s of POS 69
- The less well bleachable aliquot usually shows a breach in slope of increasing De values around the PET-peak with a semi-plateau of De values beyond the peak likely pointing to a population of less bleachable traps (cf. also plateau of 34a)
- PBL 120 s on POS 64 shows higher De values than PBL 90 s on the same aliquot
- Both DRTs reproduce the given dose reasonably well, the mean of all Des overestimating the given dose by 2.9 % (POS 69) and 3.7 % (POS 64), respectively.

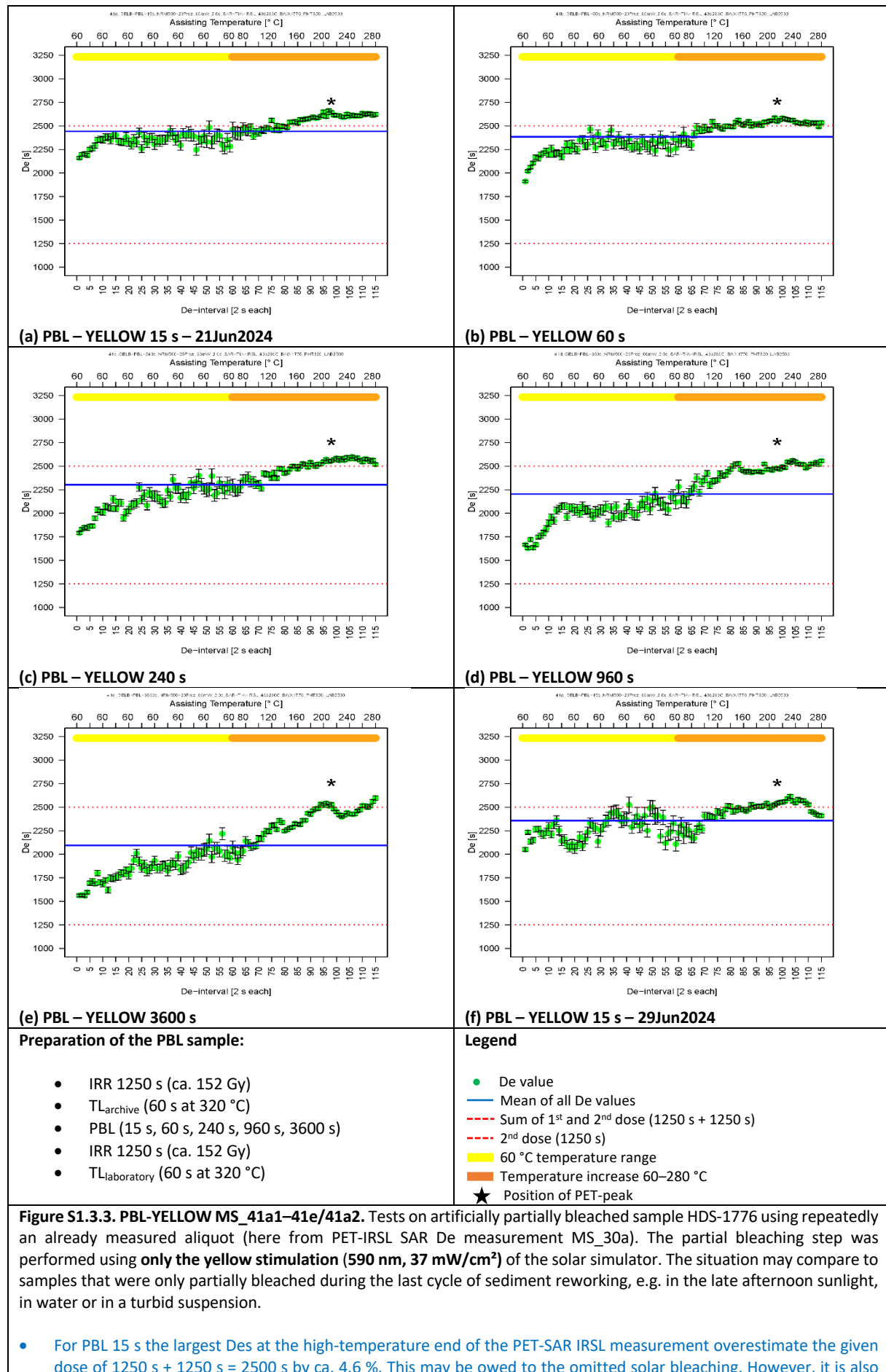
S1.3. Results of the partial bleach (PBL) tests on sample HDS-1776 from the loess-palaeosol section Baix – Variant IRR 1250 s + TL_{archive} + PBL + IRR 1250 s + $TL_{\text{Laboratory}}$ – PBL RED-YELLOW-GREEN-BLUE-UV

We performed PET-IRSL SAR measurements on artificially partially bleached aliquots of the loess sample HDS-1776 using repeatedly and already measured aliquots (e.g., from NRM tests or De measurements) applying a 2500 s dose-response curve, NRM 500 s (20 % of LAB 2500 s), PHT 320 °C as well as PET_{max} and HBL 280 °C. After the preceding measurement (used aliquot) and in between the different PBL tests the aliquot was bleached in the lexsyg reader using the LED-based solar simulation unit (365 nm, 10 mW/cm²; 462 nm, 63 mW/cm²; 523 nm, 54 mW/cm²; 590 nm, 37 mW/cm²; 625 nm, 105 mW/cm²; and 850 nm, 90 mW/cm²) for 1 hour at room temperature (representing penultimate event of sediment reworking). The aliquot received an artificial laboratory dose (LAB) of 1250 s (ca. 152 Gy) and was subsequently preheated for 60 s at 320 °C to simulate long-term storage in the sediment archive. Afterwards the sample was partially bleached (representing last event of sediment reworking), using only monochromatic stimulation (same wavelength and stimulation power as for the signal resetting in between the different tests, e.g., 625 nm, 105 mW/cm² for PBL-RED). PBL occurred for 15 s, 60 s, 240 s, 480 s, 960 s and 3600 s. The situation may compare to samples that were only partially bleached during the last cycle of sediment reworking, e.g., during sunset for RED-PBL. Afterwards, the sample was irradiated again with 1250 s simulating a respective period of sediment storage. The samples were then measured with the usual PET-IRSL SAR protocol starting with a preheat at 320 °C for 60 s prior to the thermally increasingly assisted IRSL readout. Each PET-SAR half-cycle (both REG and NRM cycles) was finished by a green light stimulated luminescence (GRSL) hotbleach (HBL) at 280 °C. The De-signal integral length for data analysis was 2 s (20 data channels each; 115 integrals altogether; cf. bottom horizontal axis of graphs). The dose response curve was fitted with a single exponential fit applying the function `analyse_SAR.CWOSL` of the R package `Luminescence` version 1.0.1.9000-19 (Kreutzer et al. 2025)









possible that the aliquot may be less well bleachable as other aliquots and/or aliquots that had not been subjected to PET-IRSL measurements before, like, e.g., the unused aliquots used for the NRM tests. PBL 15 s was repeated after PBL 3600 s. This time the upper De plateau did not show relevant overestimation. However, like the previous PBL 3600 s measurement, the course of the De values was quite wavy. It is possible that this is an effect of repeated measurements on the same aliquot, but such wavy De courses were also observed on natural aliquots.

- The aliquots show strong initial downbends of De values („nose“) before De values form a lower 60 °C plateau. Such noses were also observed for most of the PBL-RED tests and the PBL-WHITE tests with very short bleaching times ≤ 10 s pointing to mild partial bleaching.
- While the high temperature range appears hardly to not bleachable by the yellow stimulation, the 60 °C plateau areas show successive decline while still overestimating the last dose by ca. 62 % for PBL 960 s and 3600 s.

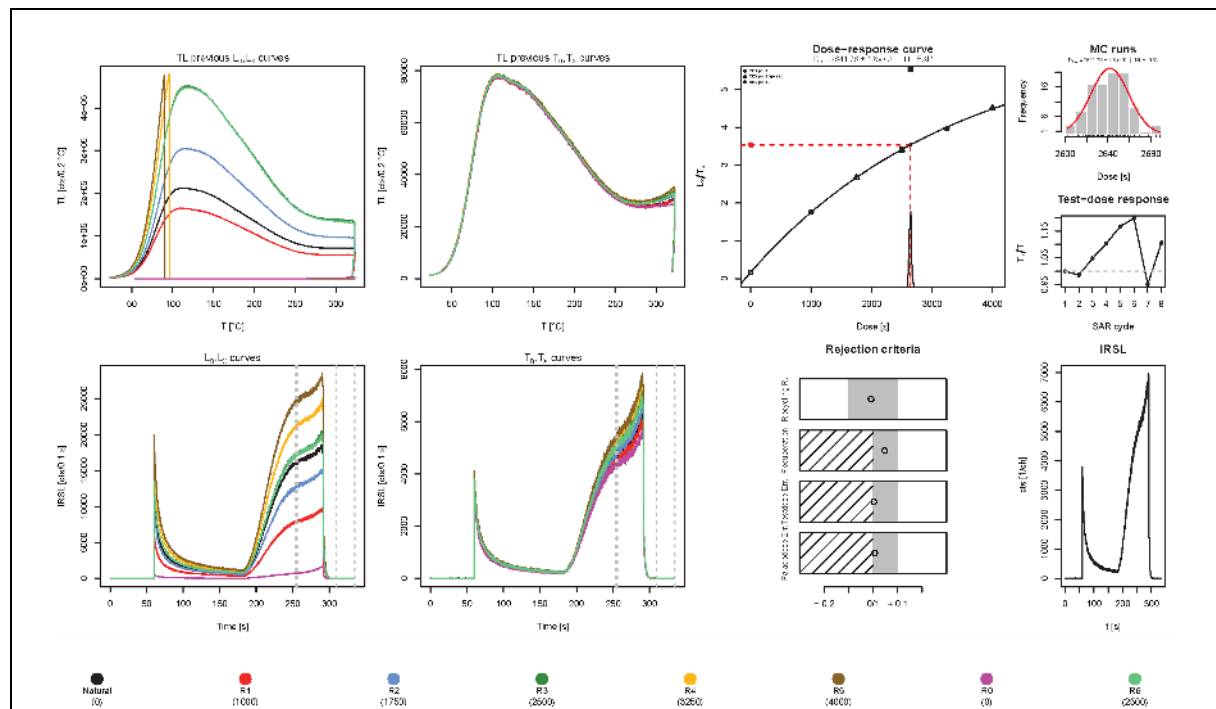


Figure S1.3.4. PBL-YELLOW MS_41a1. Graphical output summary of the PET-IRSL SAR analysis (function analyse_SAR.CWOSL of the R package Luminescence version 1.0.1.9000-19; Kreutzer et al. 2025) for De-signal integral 98.

- In contrast to the aliquot used for PBL-RED (cf. Fig PBL-RED MS_39a) the aliquot used for PBL-YELLOW seems to possess a further PET-peak beyond 280 °C which impacts the PET-peak at ca 220 °C.

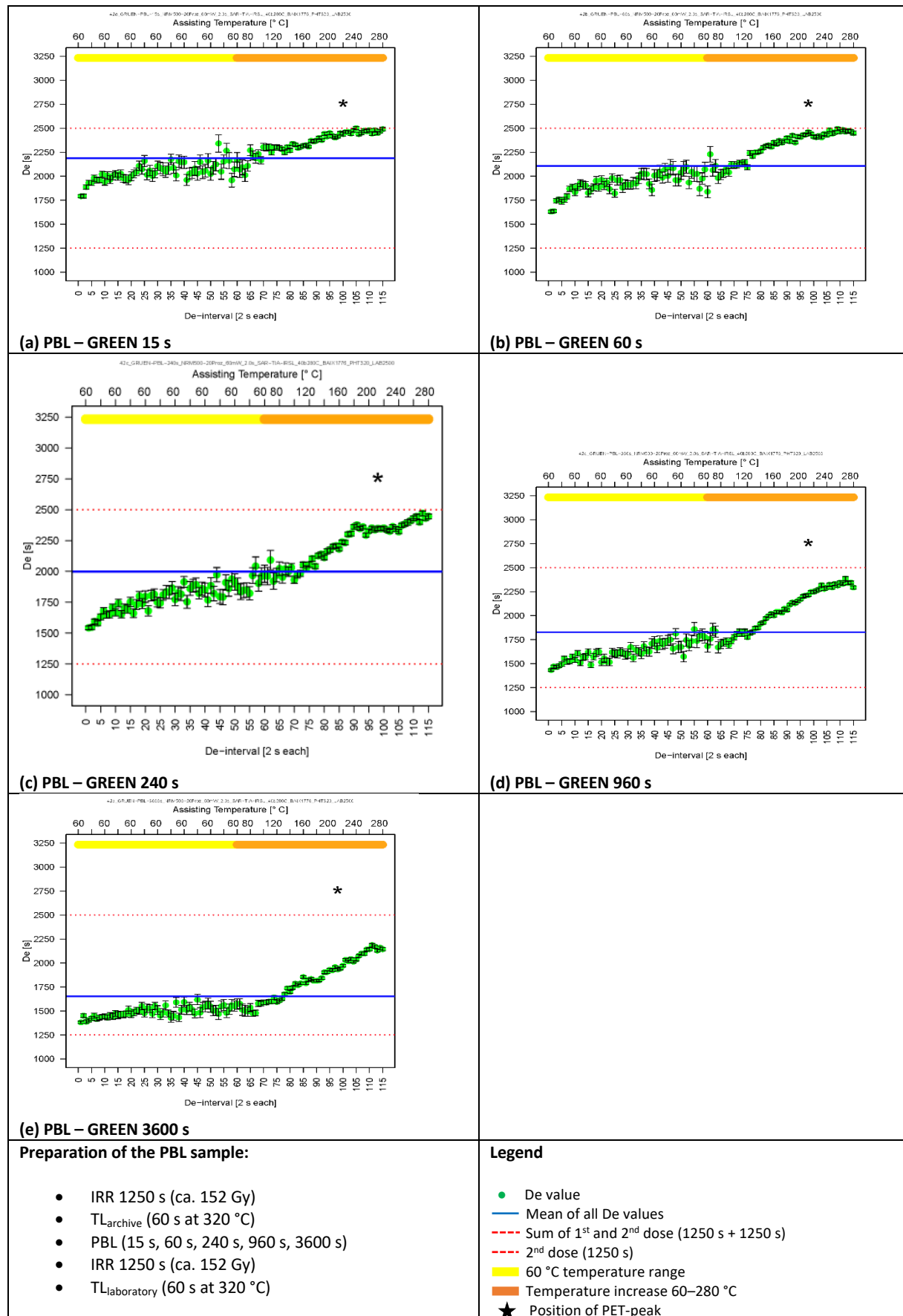


Figure S1.3.5. PBL-GREEN MS_42a–42e. Tests on artificially partially bleached sample HDS-1776 using repeatedly an already measured aliquot (here from PET-IRSL SAR De measurement MS_30d). The partial bleaching step was performed using **only the green stimulation (523 nm, 54 mW/cm²)** of the solar simulator. The situation may compare to samples that were only partially bleached during the last cycle of sediment reworking, e.g. in water or in a turbid suspension.

- The uppermost part of the PET-IRSL De values point to somewhat better bleaching of the high-temperature PET-IRSL range, yet with De plateau ranges only ca. 1.2 %, 2.0 % and 2.5 % below the cumulative dose of both irradiations (1250 s + 1250 s = 2500 s) for 15 s, 60 s and 240 s PBL-GREEN.
- The 60 °C low-temperature range is better bleachable than that of PBL-RED and PBL-YELLOW.
- Nevertheless, the 60 °C plateau-like range overestimates the last dose (event) still by 26 % and 21 % for PBL-GREEN bleaching of 960 s and 3600 s, respectively.

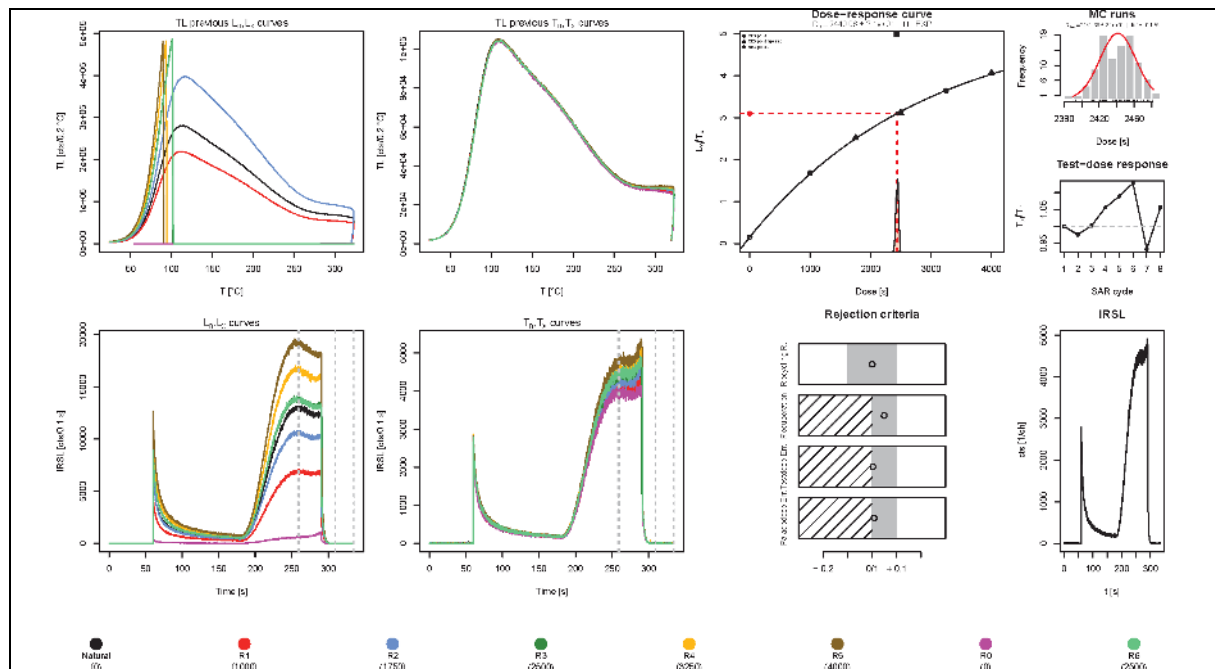
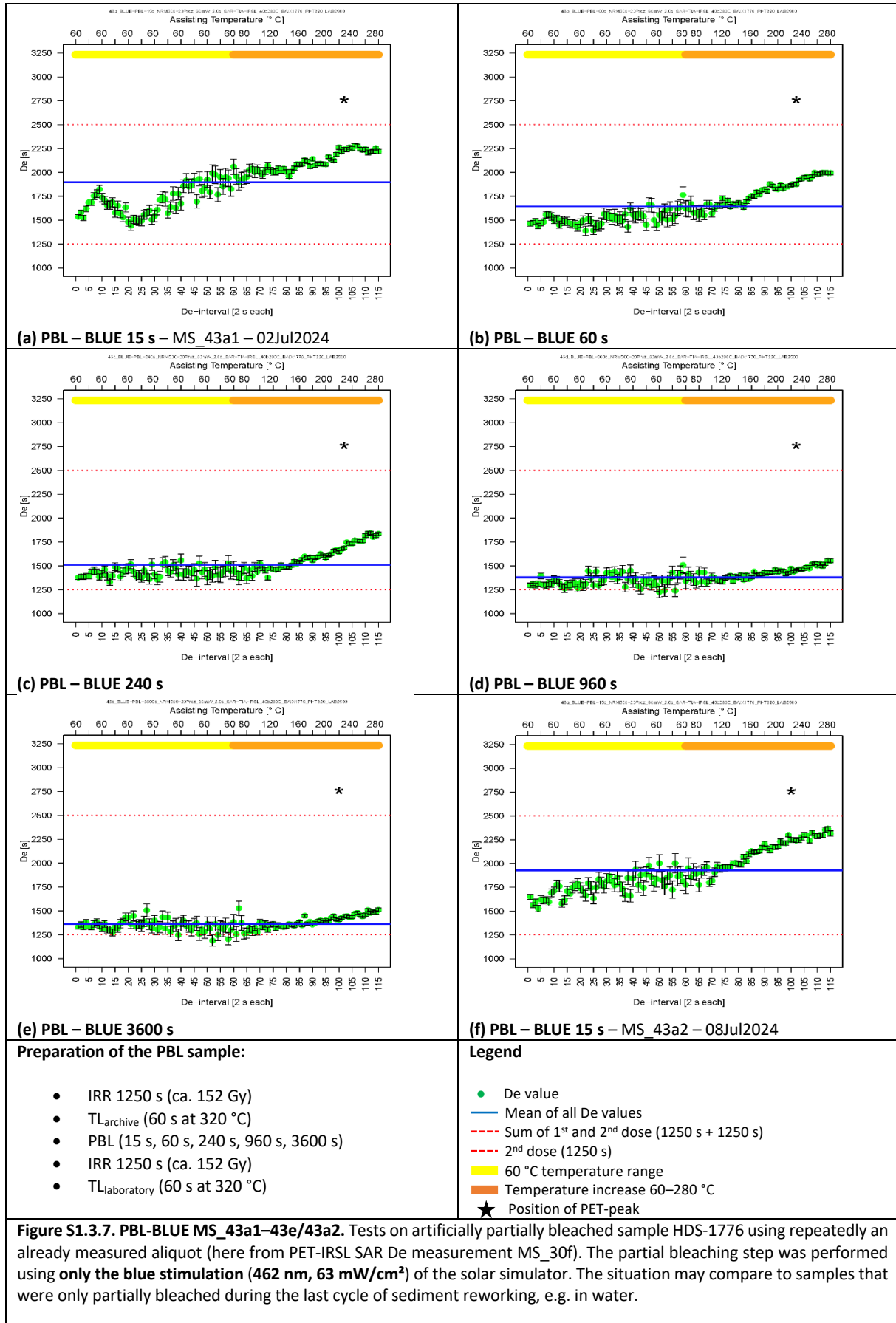
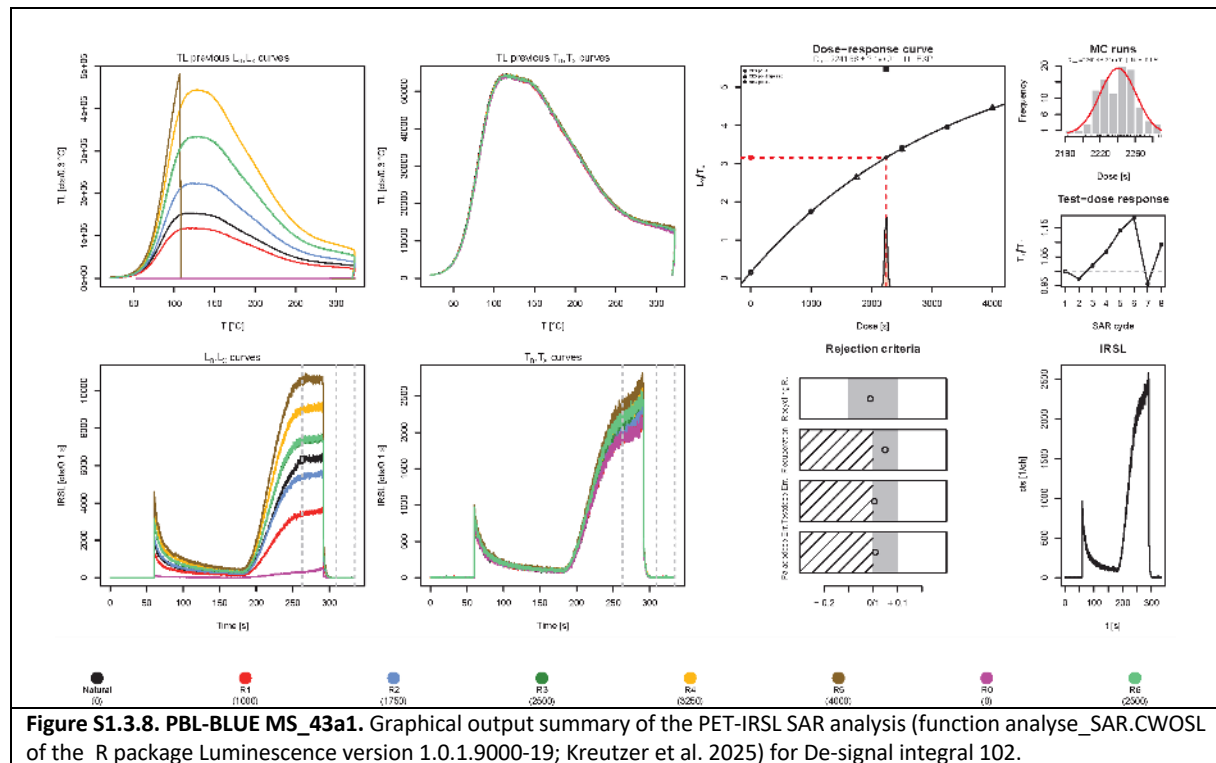


Figure S1.3.6. PBL-GREEN MS_42a. Graphical output summary of the PET-IRSL SAR analysis (function analyse_SAR.CWOSL of the R package Luminescence version 1.0.1.9000-19; Kreutzer et al. 2025) for De-signal integral 100.

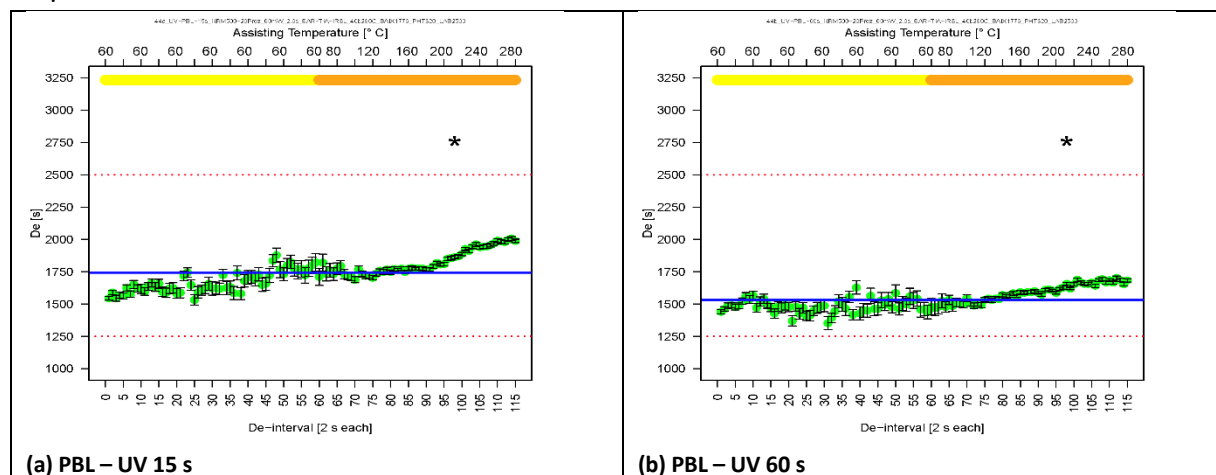
- Compared to the aliquot used for PBL-RED an impact of a further PET-peak beyond 280 °C is noticeable, which however is not as evident as in the aliquot used for PBL-YELLOW.

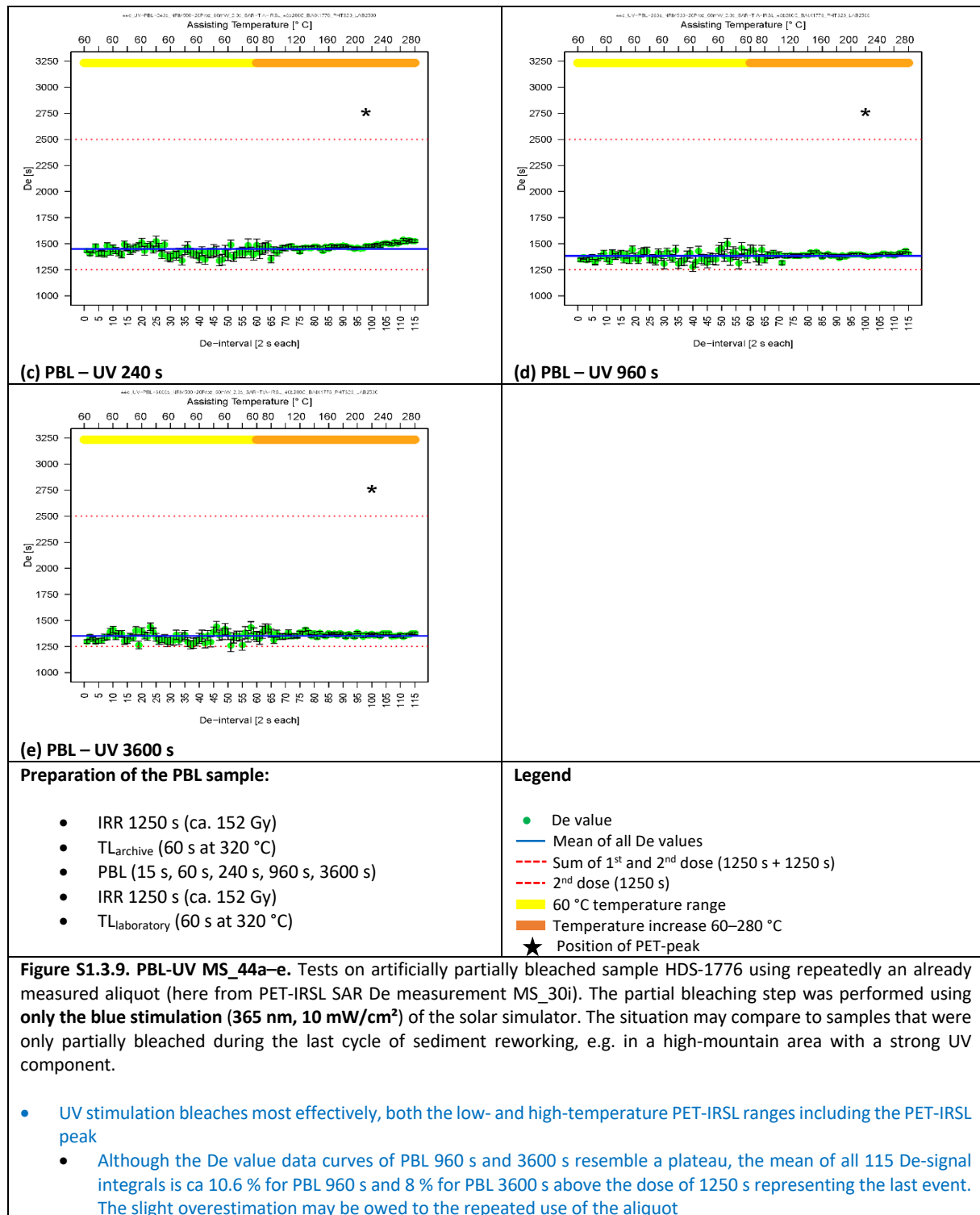


- The 15 s PBL BLUE (a) shows an awkward bending of the 60 °C low-temperature range, similar to the repeat measurement of 15 s PBL-YELLOW in Fig. S1.3.3 PBL-YELLOW MS_41a1–41e/41a2 (f). The PBL-BLUE repeat measurement (f) does not show that malign behaviour, but otherwise similar values, around 1850 s in the later 60 °C low-temperature range and with the upper plateau, though not quite as well established as in (a), ca. 8 % (ca. 10 % in the first measurement) underestimation of the cumulative dose.
- An upper De value plateau is present for PBL 15 s and 60 s, but comparably short and underestimating the cumulative dose by ca. 10 % and 20 %, respectively.
- Blue light bleaches comparably efficiently, but the De values in the range 60–170 °C of the PBL 3600 s test still overestimates the last dose by ca. 7.4 %. The rising De values in the high-temperature range indicate that the last bleaching was not complete.



S1.3.1. PBL-tests on HDS-1776 – White-light and monochromatic-light bleaching – unused aliquots





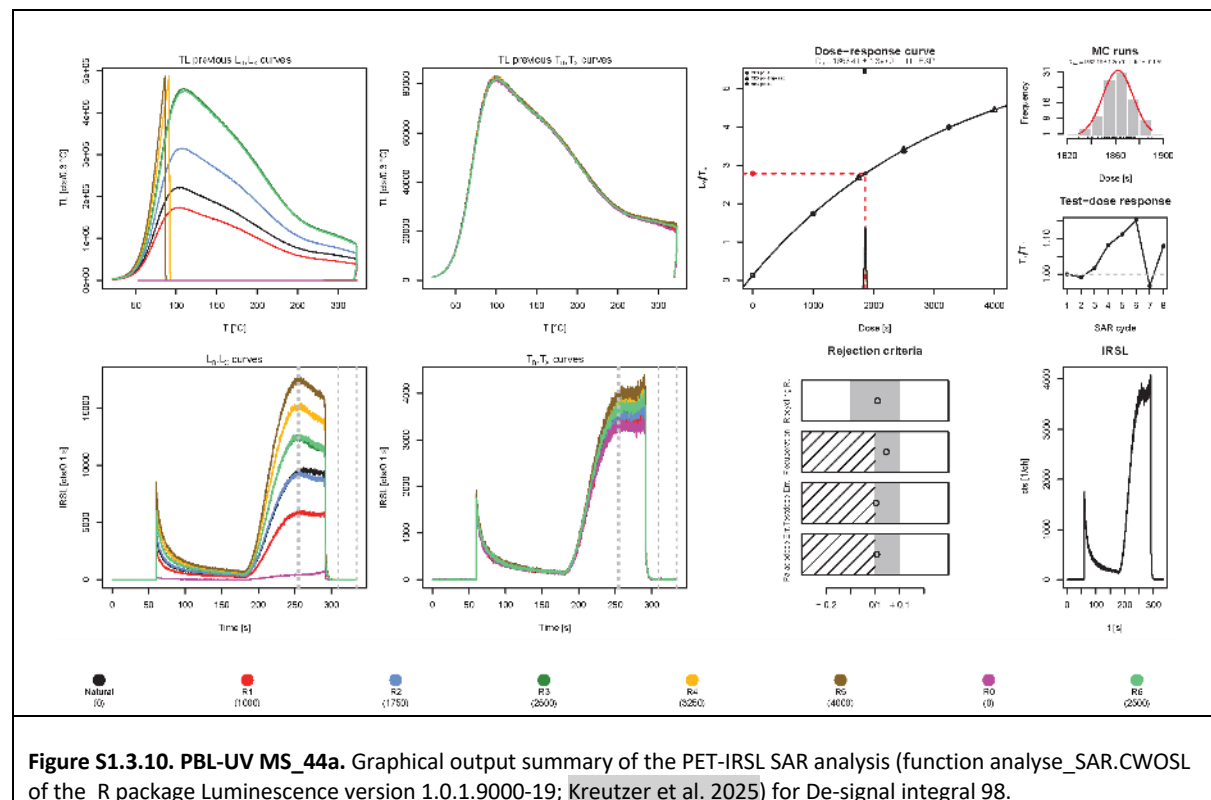
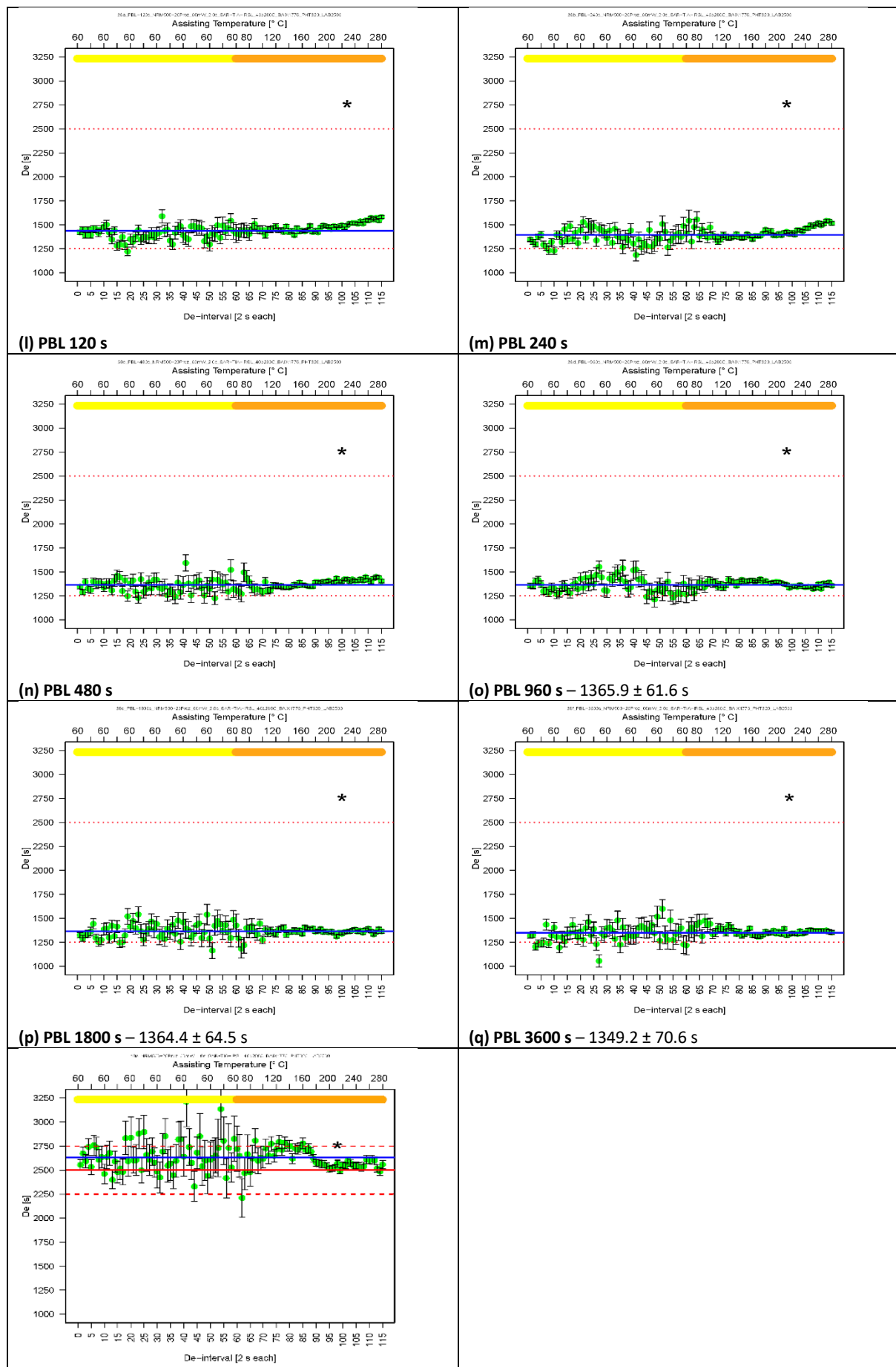
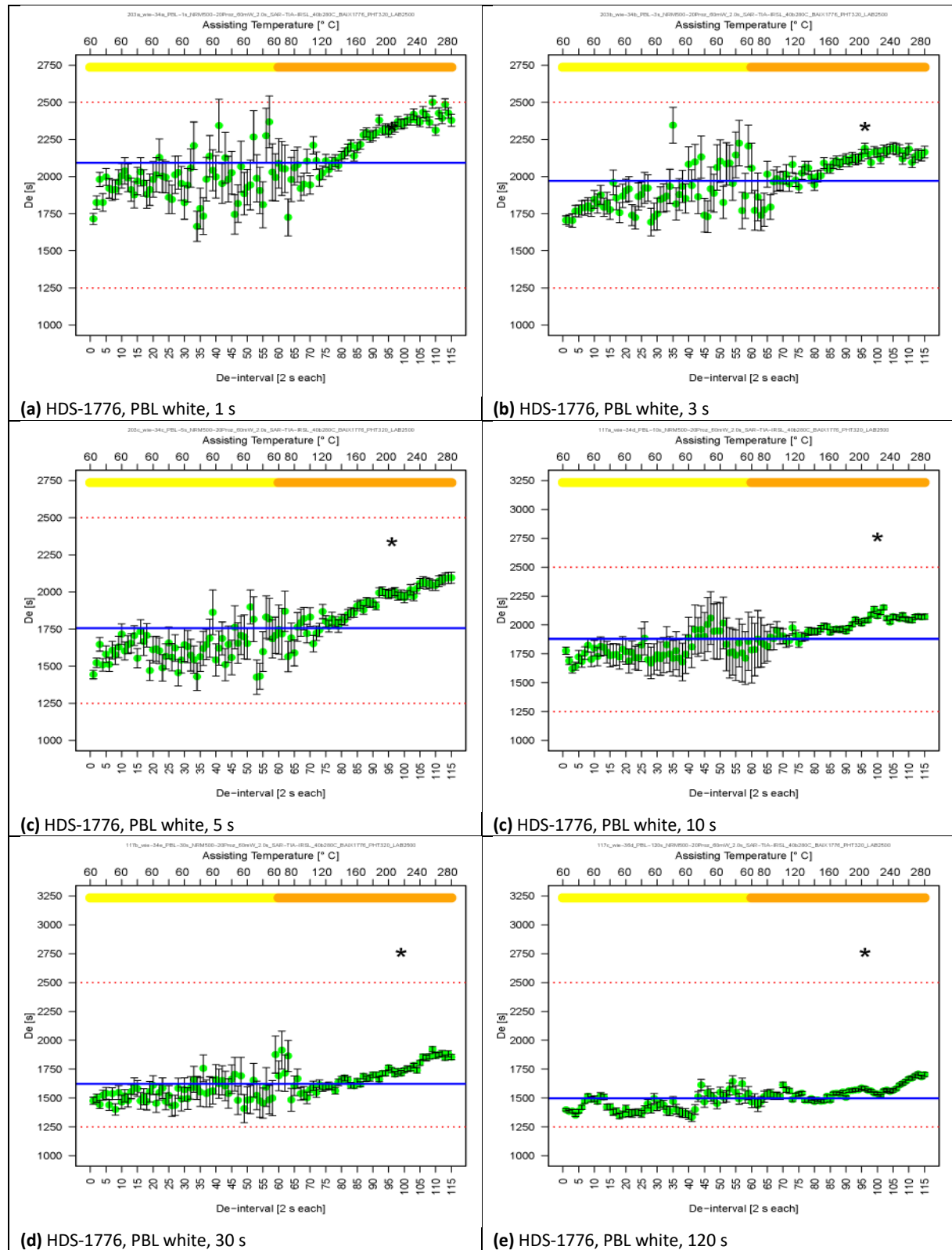


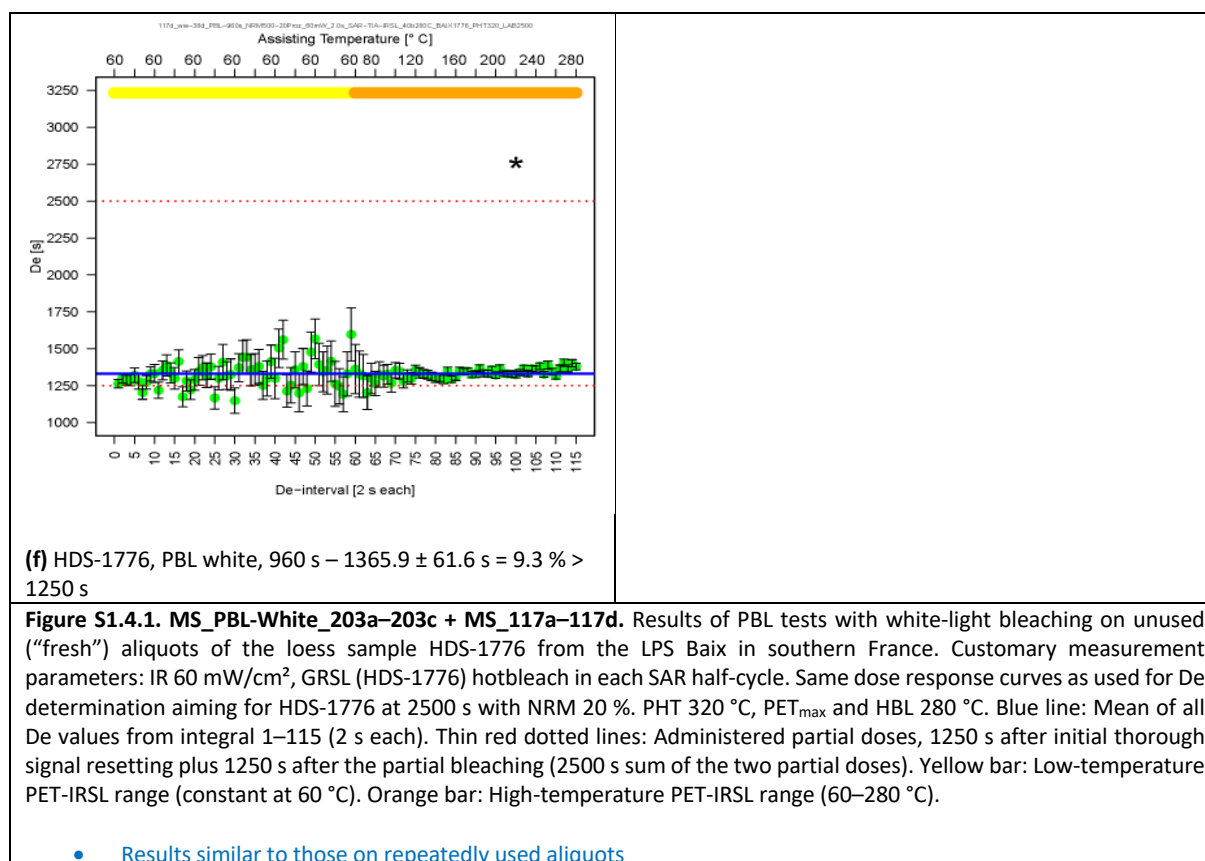
Figure S1.3.10. PBL-UV MS_44a. Graphical output summary of the PET-IRSL SAR analysis (function analyse_SAR.CWOSL of the R package Luminescence version 1.0.1.9000-19; Kreutzer et al. 2025) for De-signal integral 98.



(r) DRT 2500 s – 2633.0 ± 141.3 s – DRT MS_40a – from PBL-TST MS_38f	
Preparation of the PBL sample – from De MS_28b • IRR 1250 s (ca. 152 Gy) • TL_{archive} (60 s at 320 °C) • PBL (120 s, 240 s, 480 s, 960 s, 1800 s, 3600 s) • IRR 1250 s (ca. 152 Gy) • $TL_{\text{laboratory}}$ (60 s at 320 °C)	Legend ● De value — Mean of all De values --- Sum of 1st and 2nd dose (1250 s + 1250 s) --- 2nd dose (1250 s) ■ 60 °C temperature range ■ Temperature increase 60–280 °C ★ Position of PET-peak
Figure 1.2.2. Tests on artificially partially bleached sample HDS-1776 repeatedly using the aliquot already used in the PET-IRSL SAR measurement 28b applying NRM 500 s (20 % of LAB 2500 s) on position (POS) 65 (I–r) (PBL 38a–f). After the NRM test and in between the different PBL tests the aliquots were bleached in the lexsyg reader using the solar lamp (365 nm, 10 mW/cm²; 462 nm, 63 mW/cm²; 523 nm, 54 mW/cm²; 590 nm, 37 mW/cm²; 625 nm, 105 mW/cm²; and 850 nm, 90 mW/cm²) for 1 hour at room temperature. The samples received an artificial laboratory dose (LAB) of 1250 s (ca. 152 Gy) and were subsequently preheated for 60 s at 320 °C to simulate longtime storage in the sediment archive. Afterwards the samples were partially bleached using the same wavelengths and stimulation powers as for the signal resetting in between the different tests. PBL occurred once for 120 s, 240 s, 480 s, 960 s, 1800 s or 3600 s (PBL 38a–f). The situation compares to samples that were only partially bleached during the last cycle of sediment reworking. Afterwards, the sample was irradiated again with 1250 s simulating a respective period of sediment storage. The samples were then measured with the usual PET-IRSL SAR protocol starting with a preheat at 320 °C for 60 s prior to the thermally increasingly assisted IRSL readout. Each PET-IRSL SAR half-cycle (both REG and NRM cycles) was finished by a green light stimulated luminescence (GRSL) hotbleach at 280 °C. De-signal integral length for data analysis 2 s (20 data channels each; 115 integrals altogether; cf. bottom horizontal axis of graphs). Dose response curve fitted with a single exponential fit applying the function analyse_SAR.CWOSL of the R.Luminescence package (developer version 09.24.9000–106; Kreutzer et al. 2024). Note the magnification of the y-axis as compared to the PBL PET-tests with PBL ≤120 s. The PBL test series is accomplished by a PET-IRSL DRT (Fig. r).	

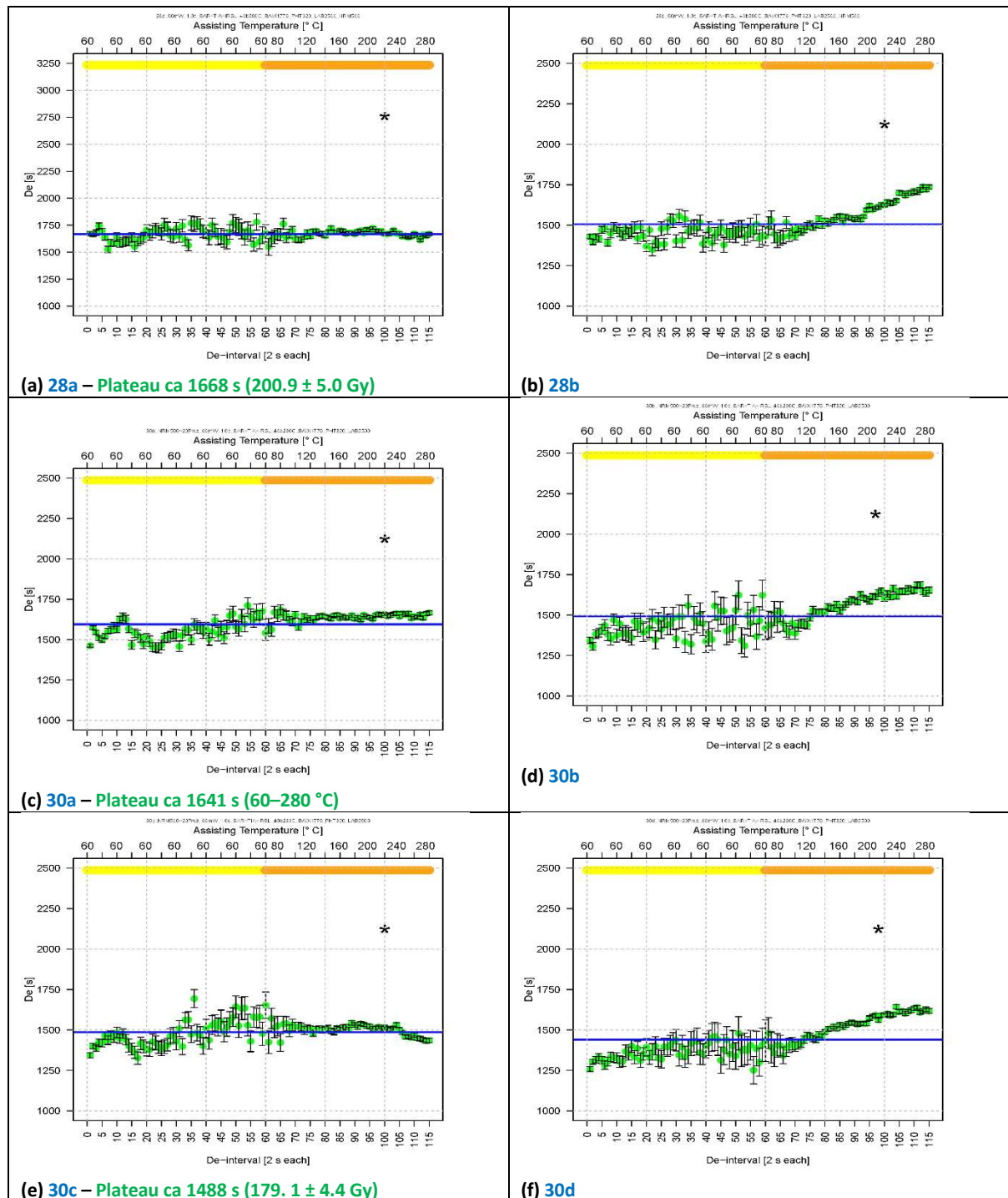
S1.4. PBL-tests on HDS-1776 – White-light and monochromatic-light bleaching – unused aliquots

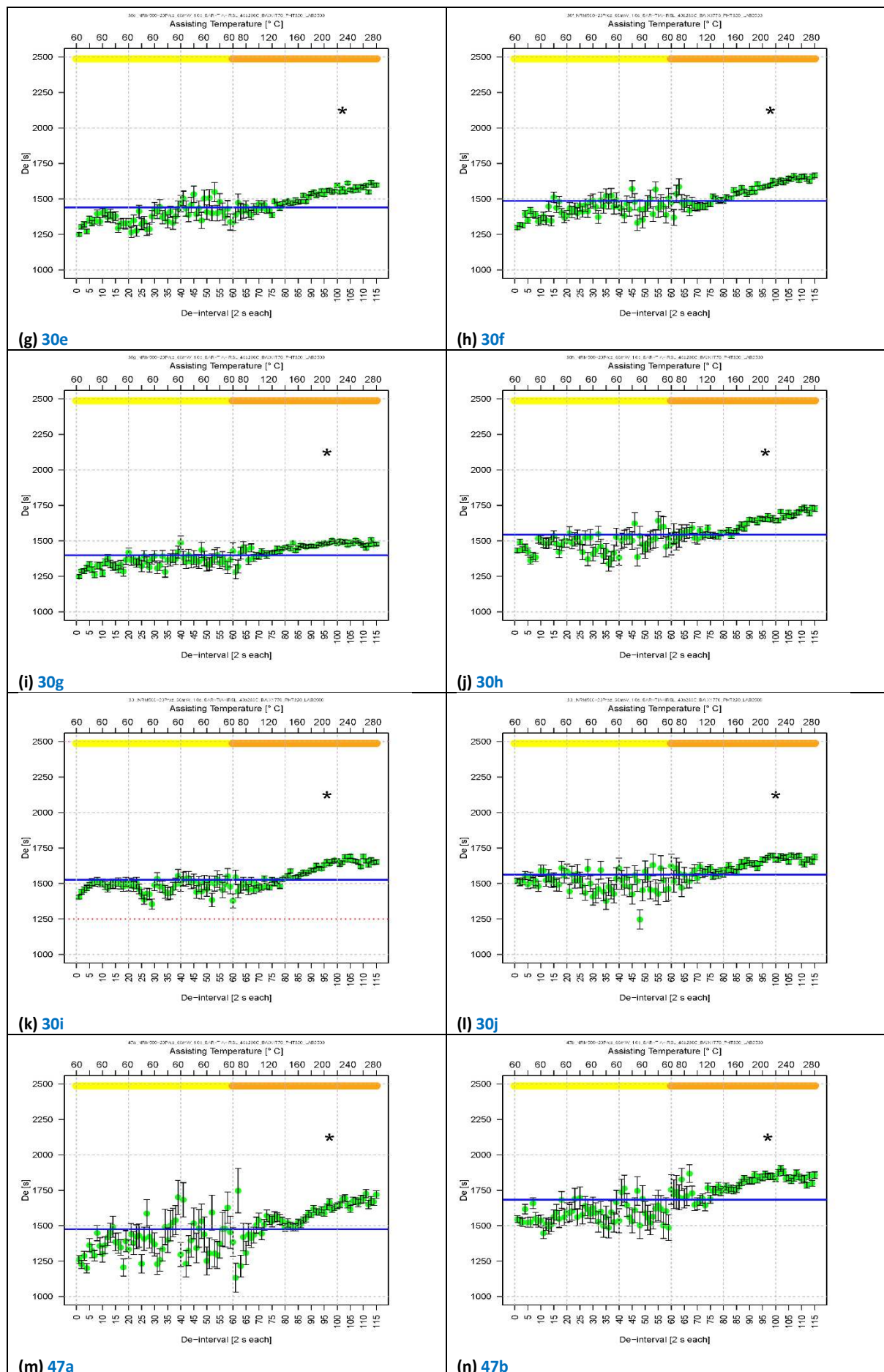


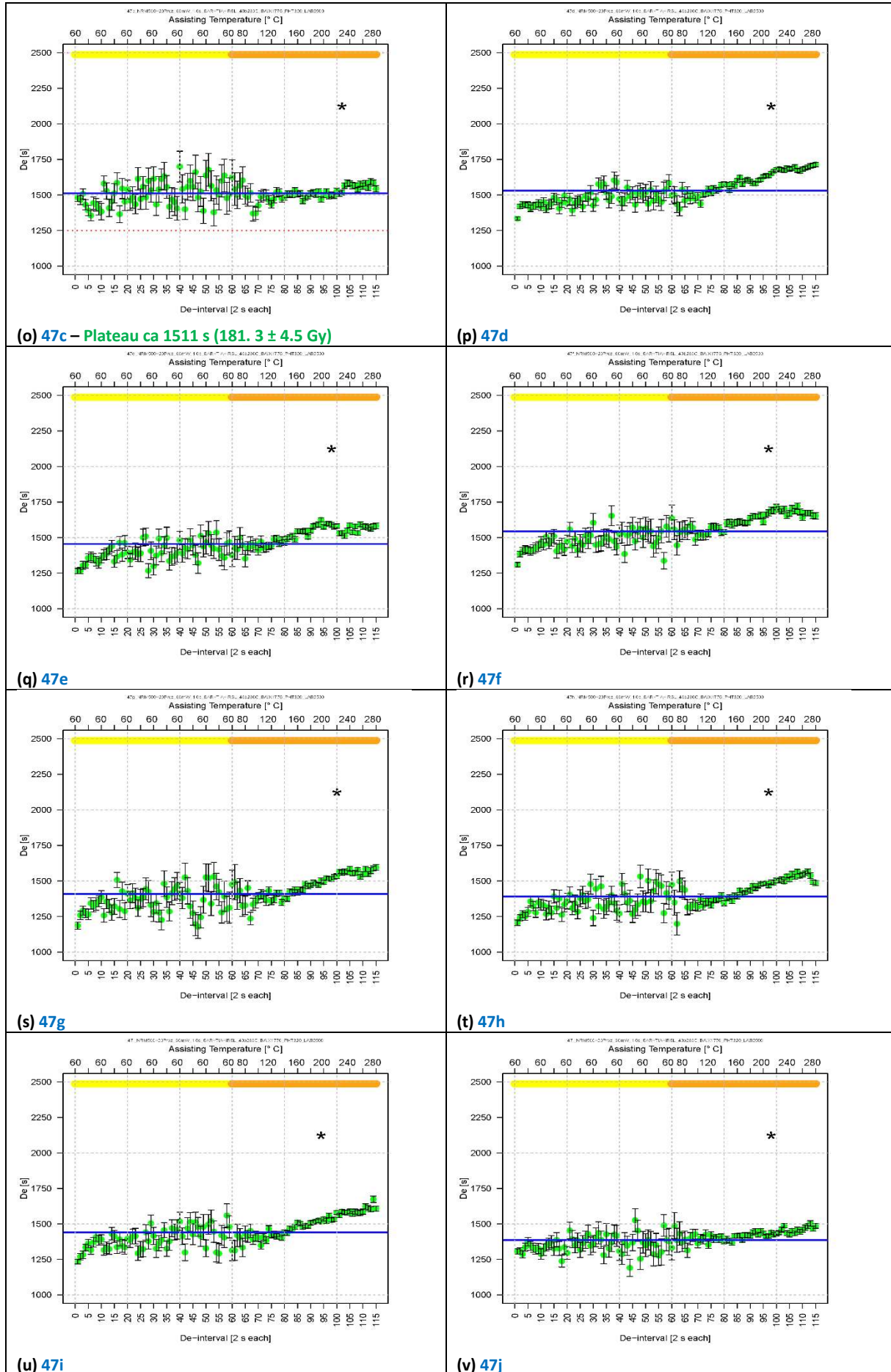


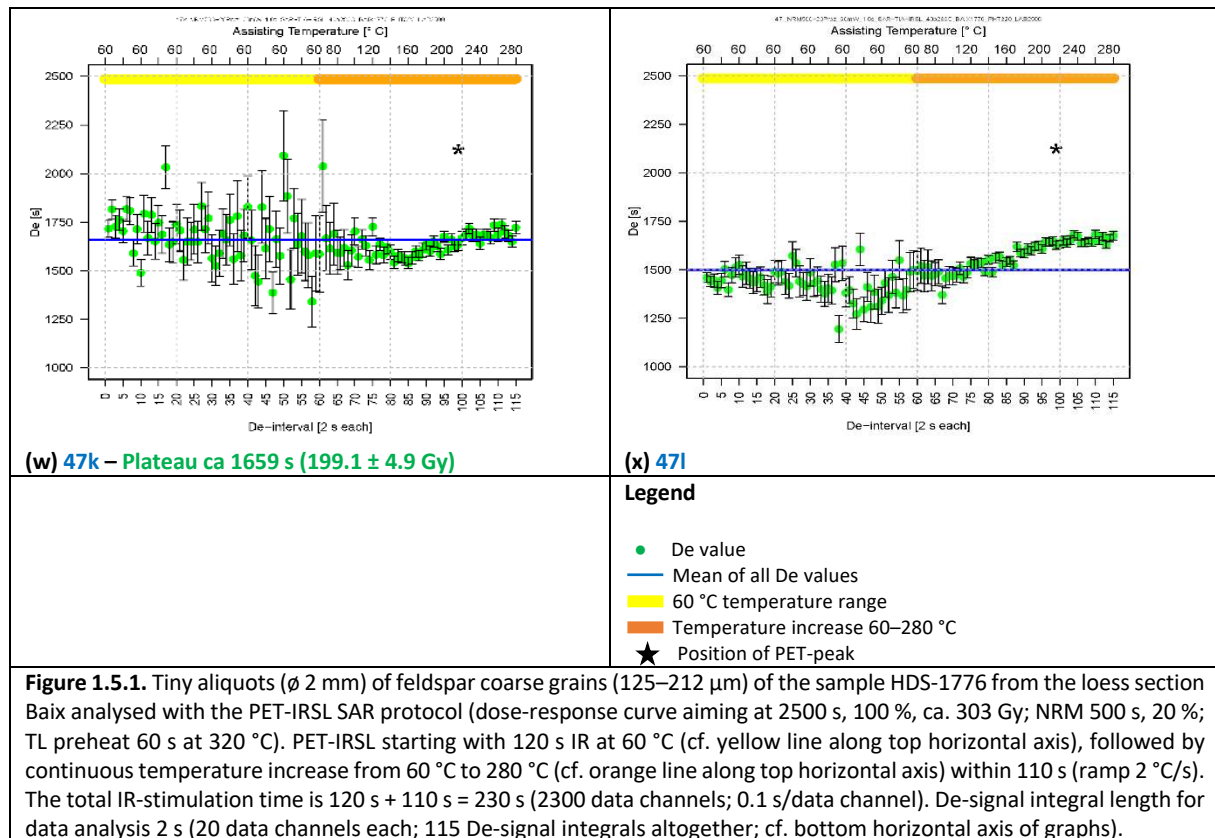
S1.5. First results of PET-IRSL SAR measurements on sample HDS-1776 from the LPS Baix

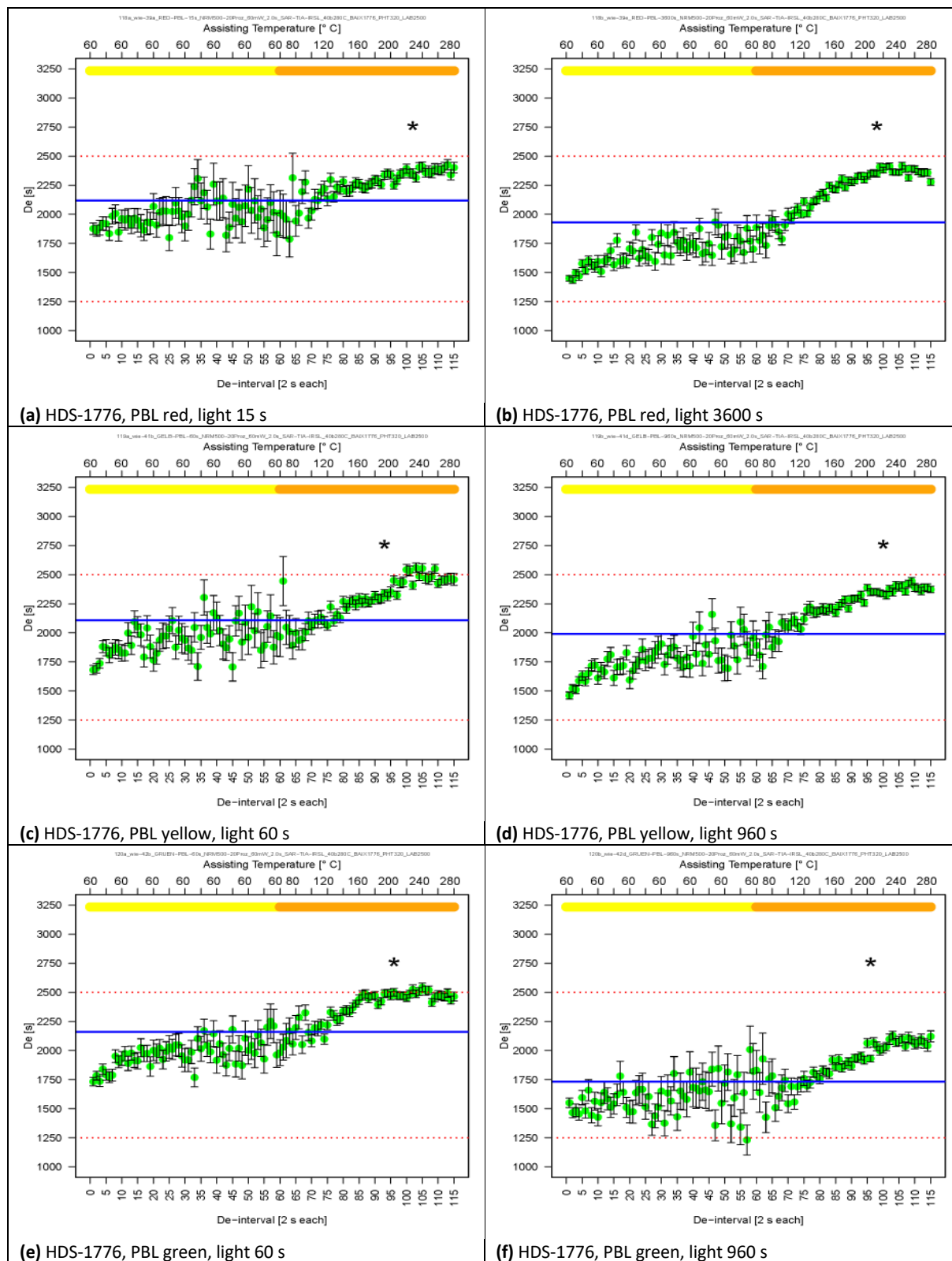
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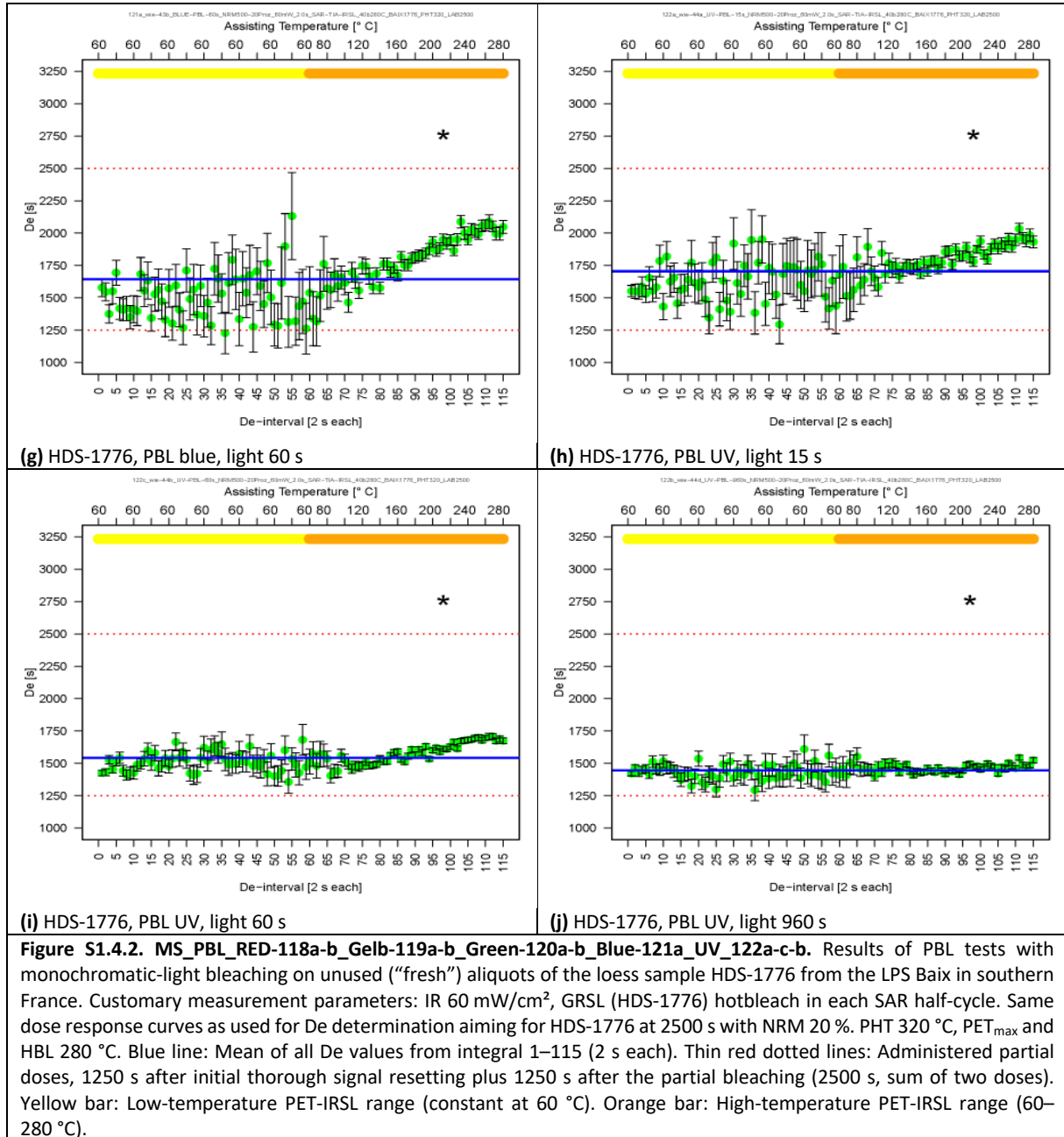




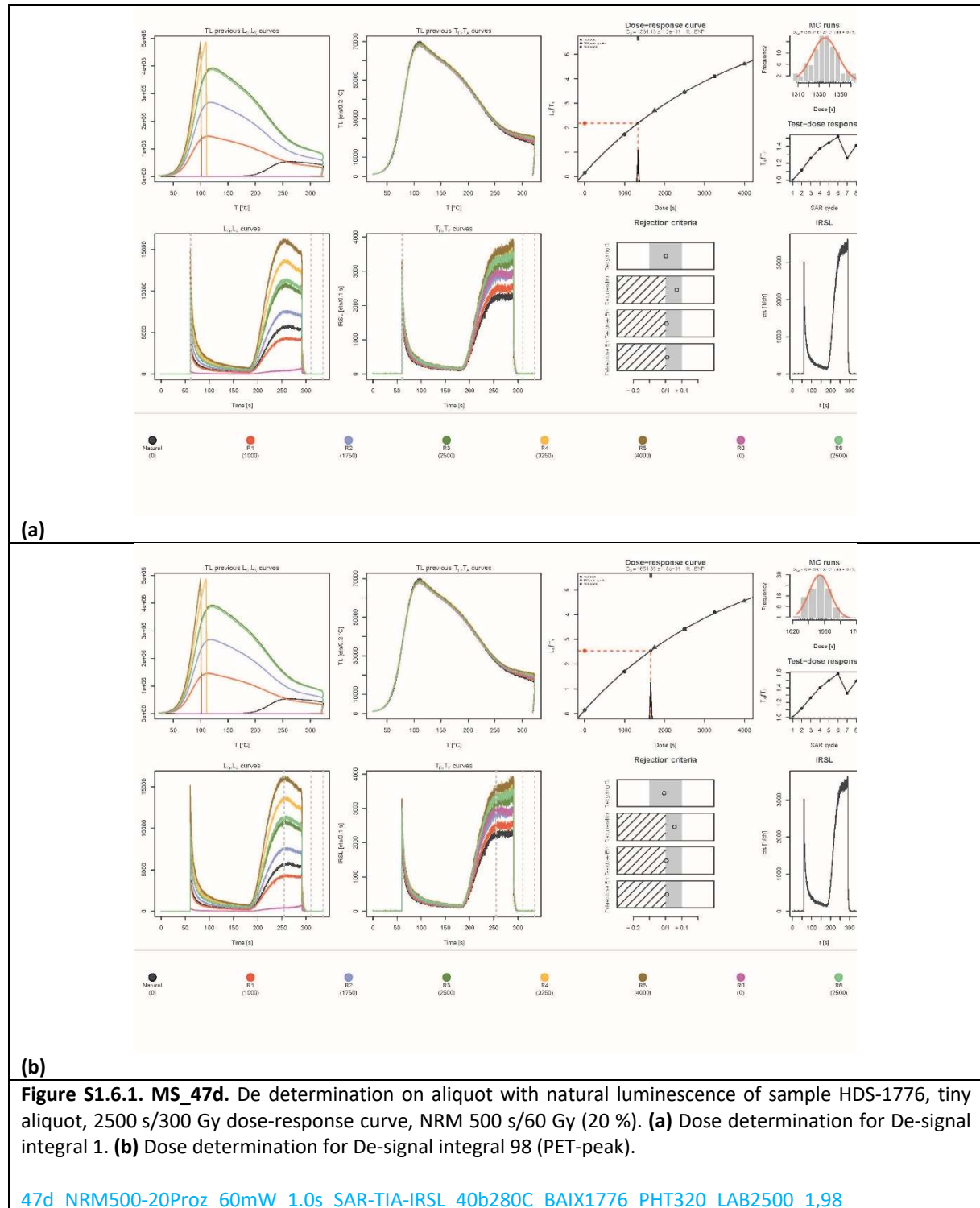


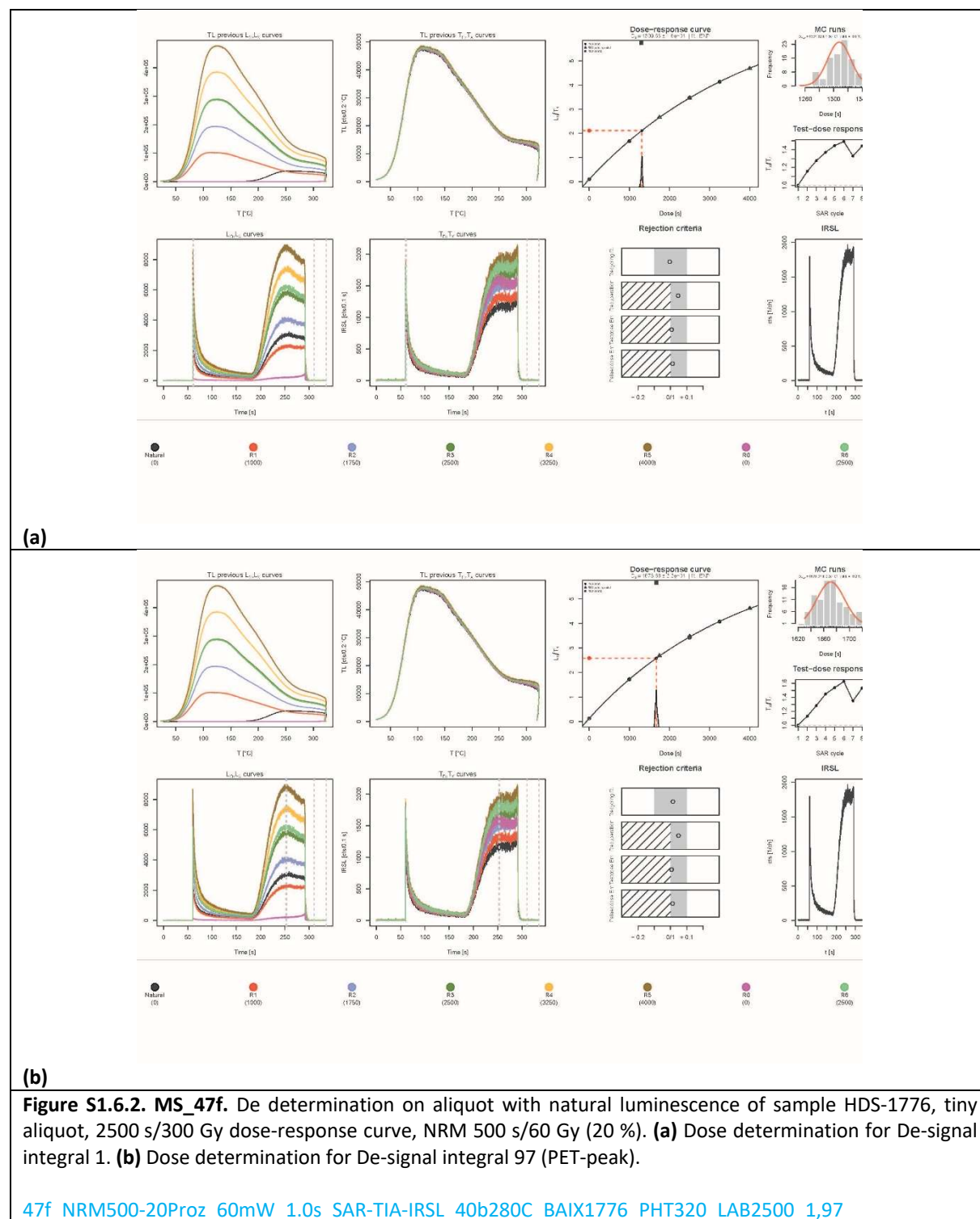


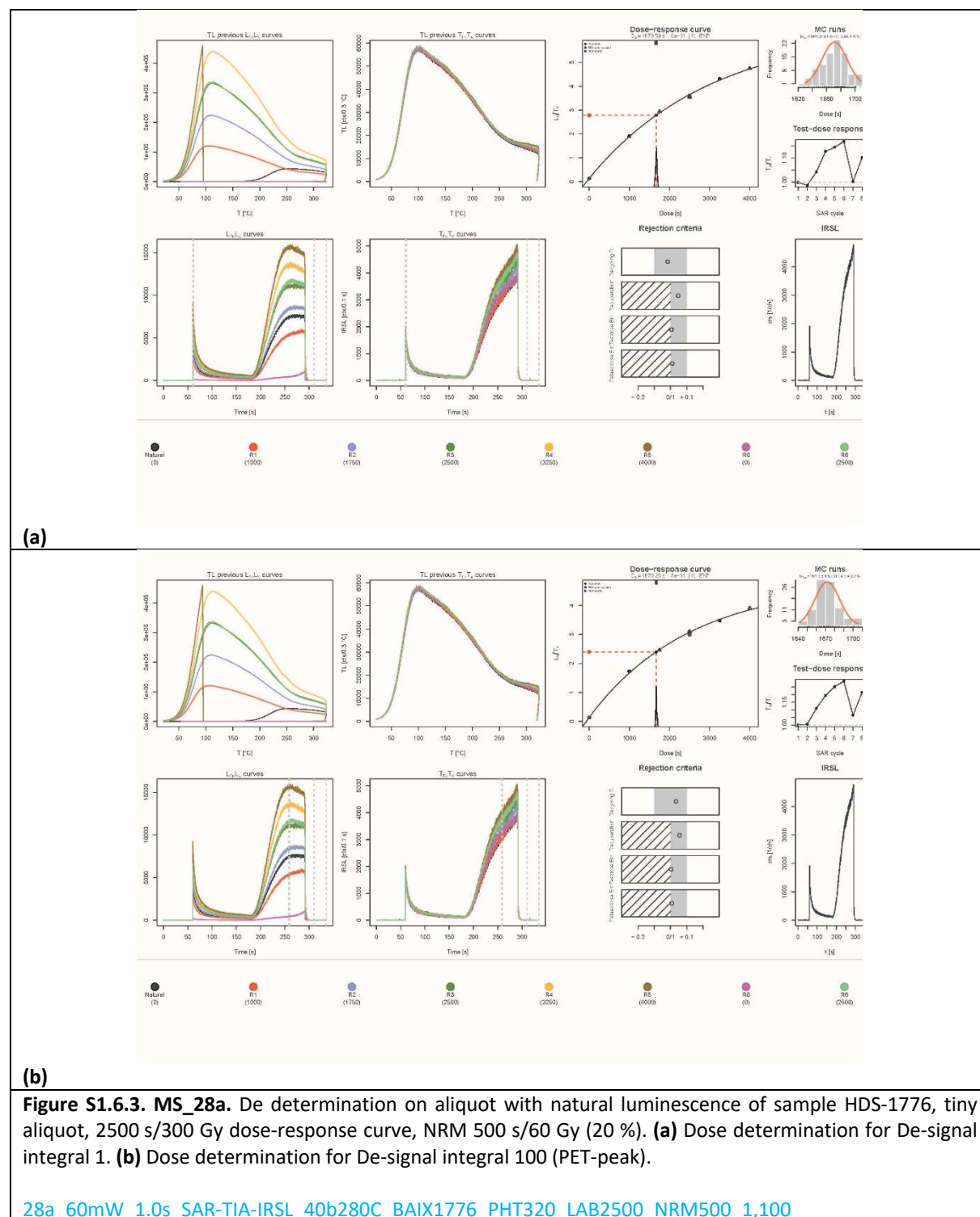


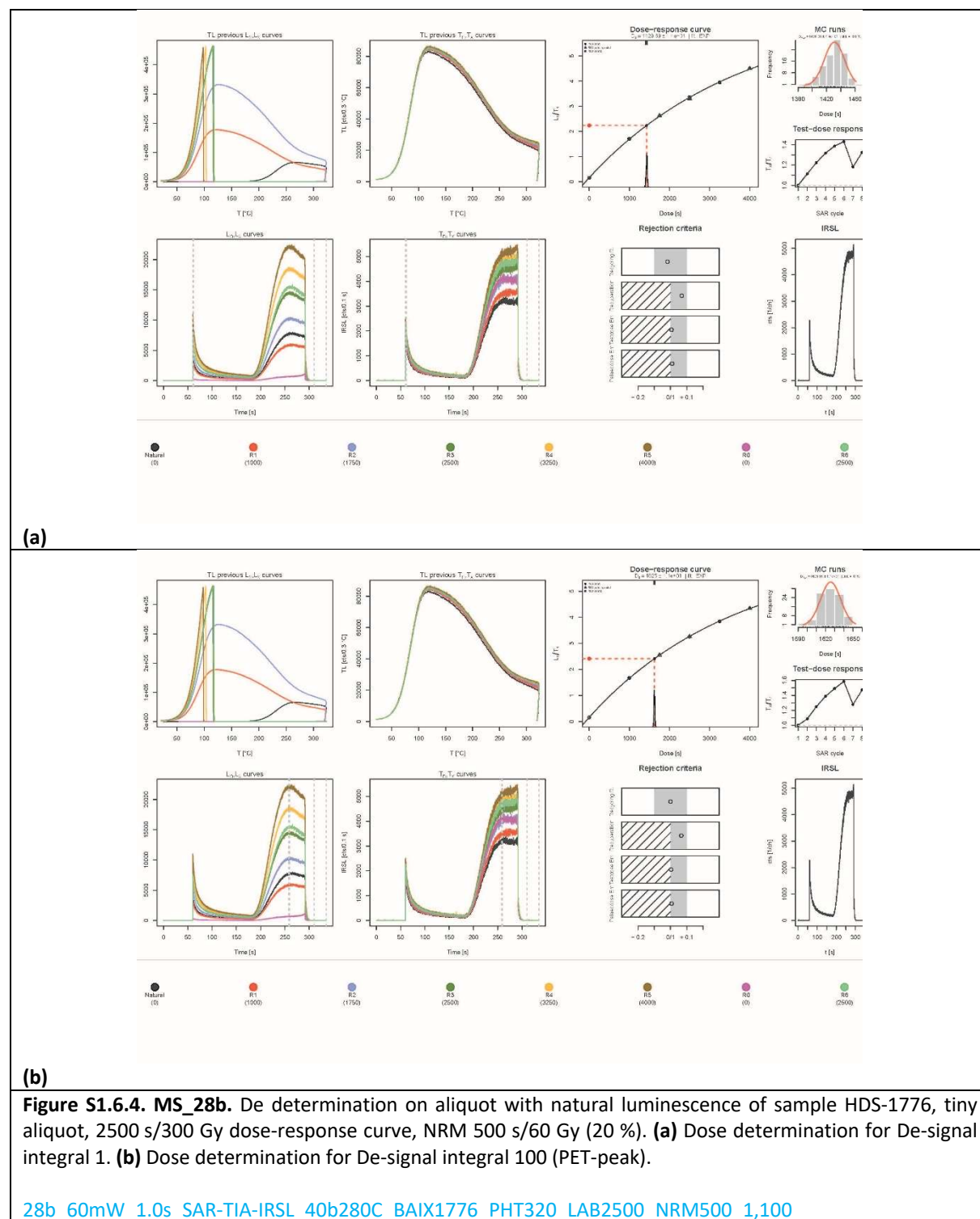


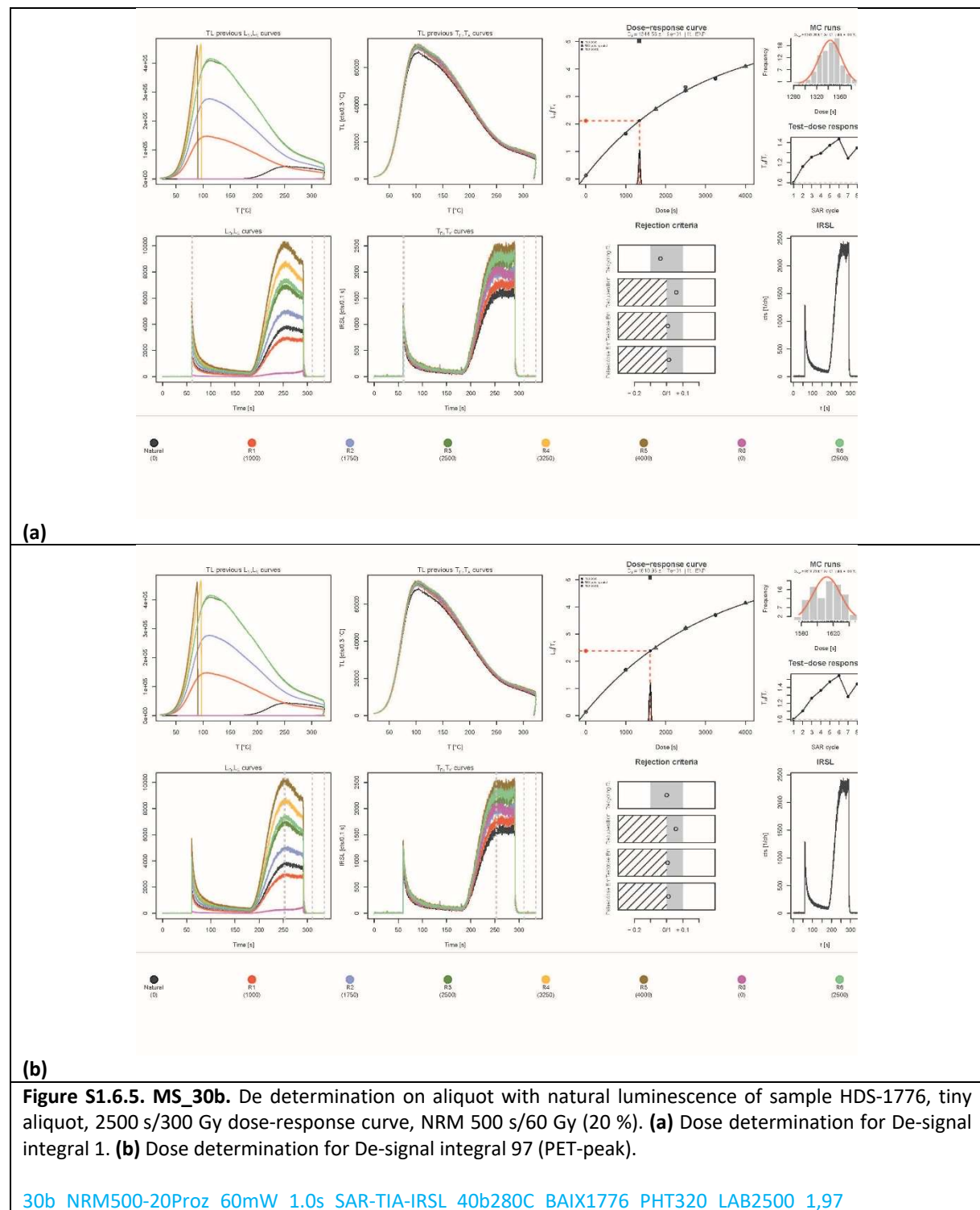
S1.6. De-determination on HDS-1776 – Examples of PET-IRSL signal curves

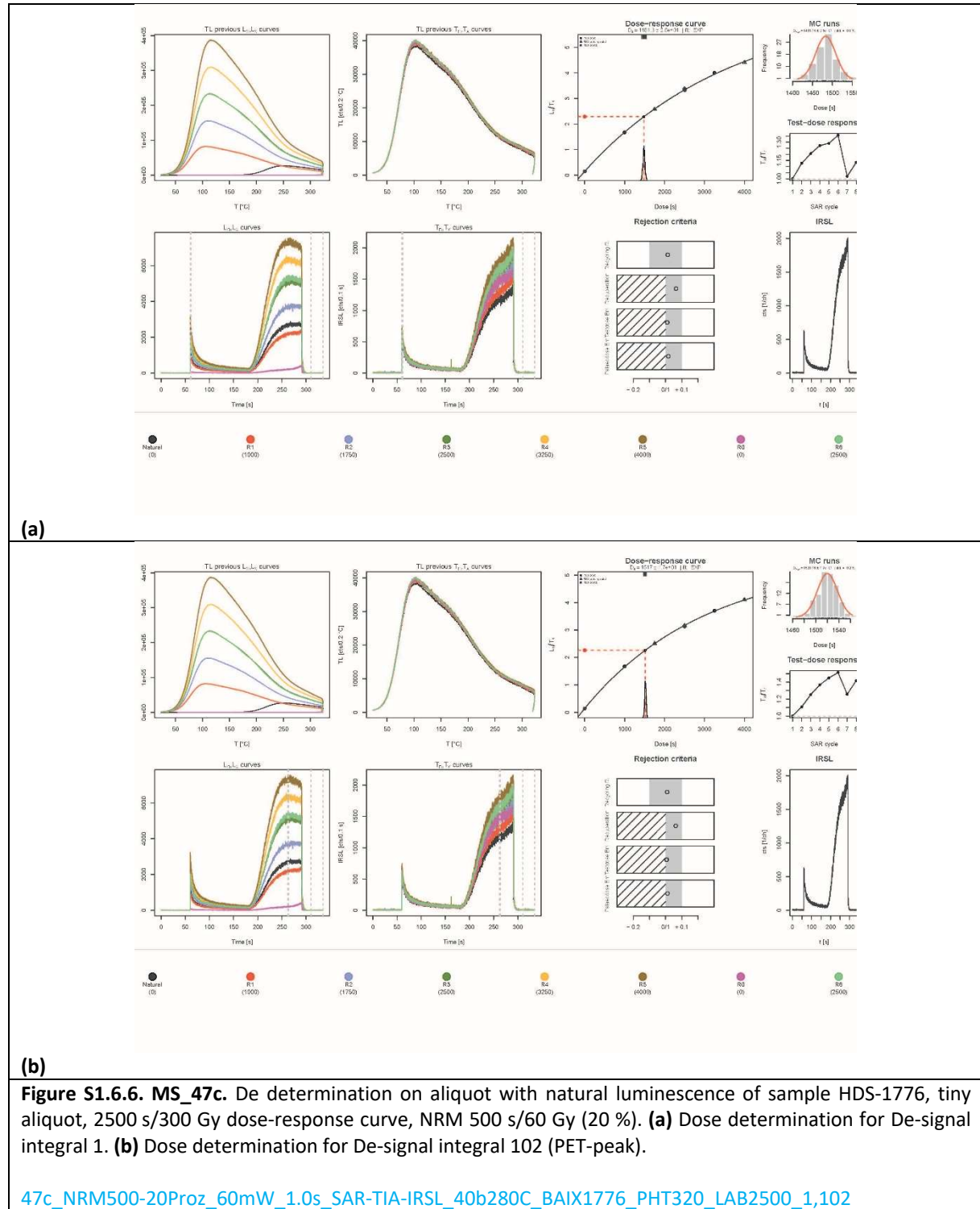


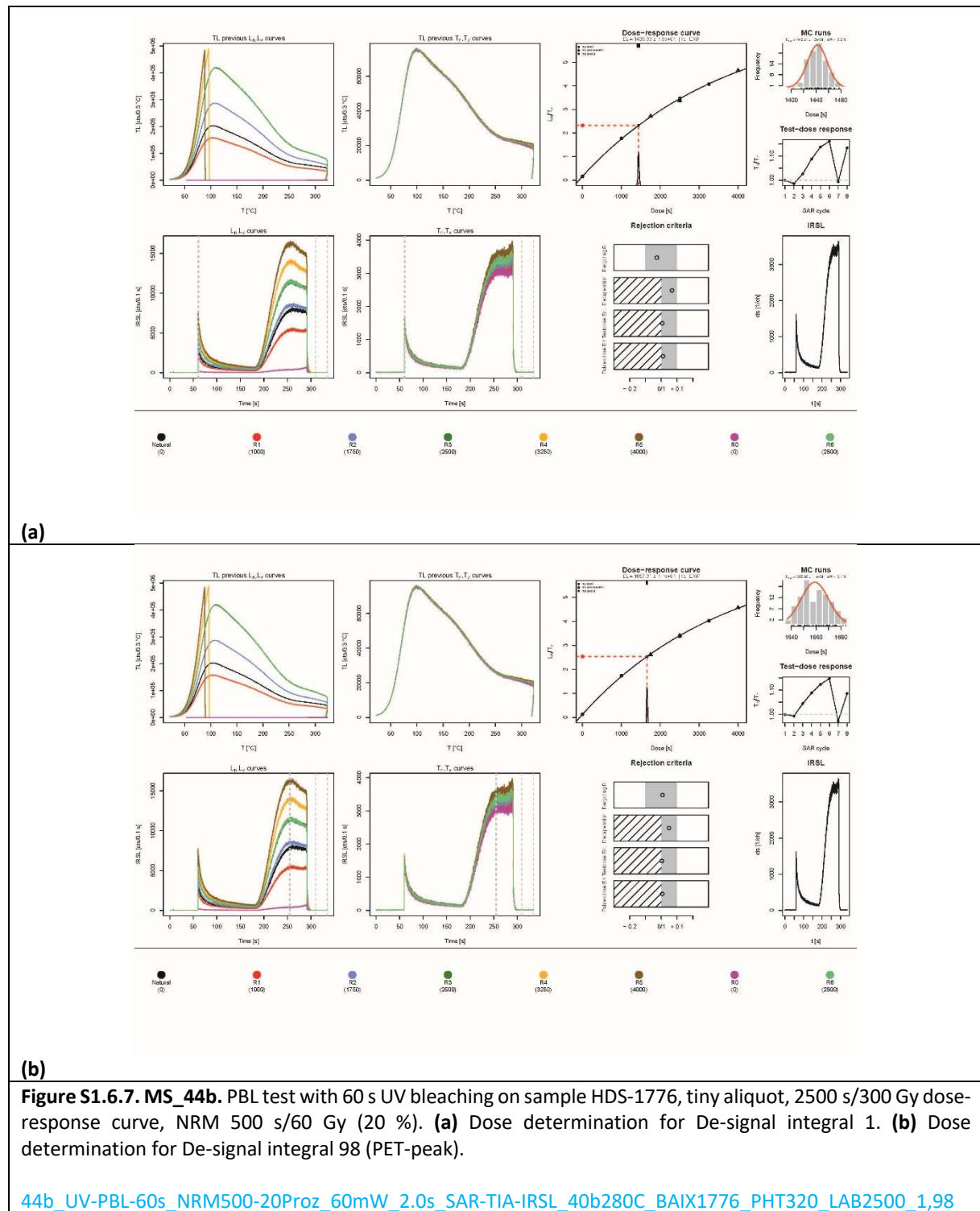






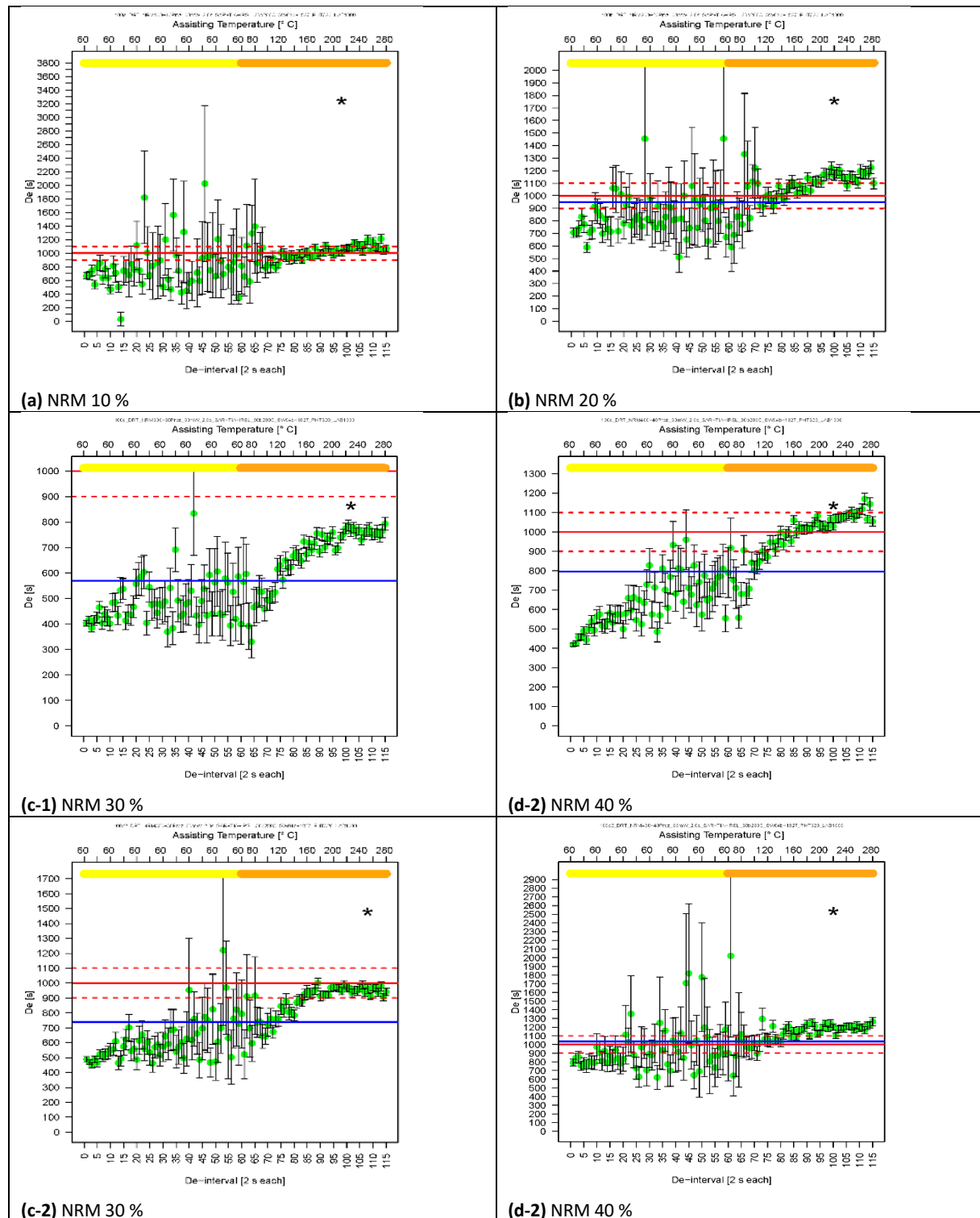


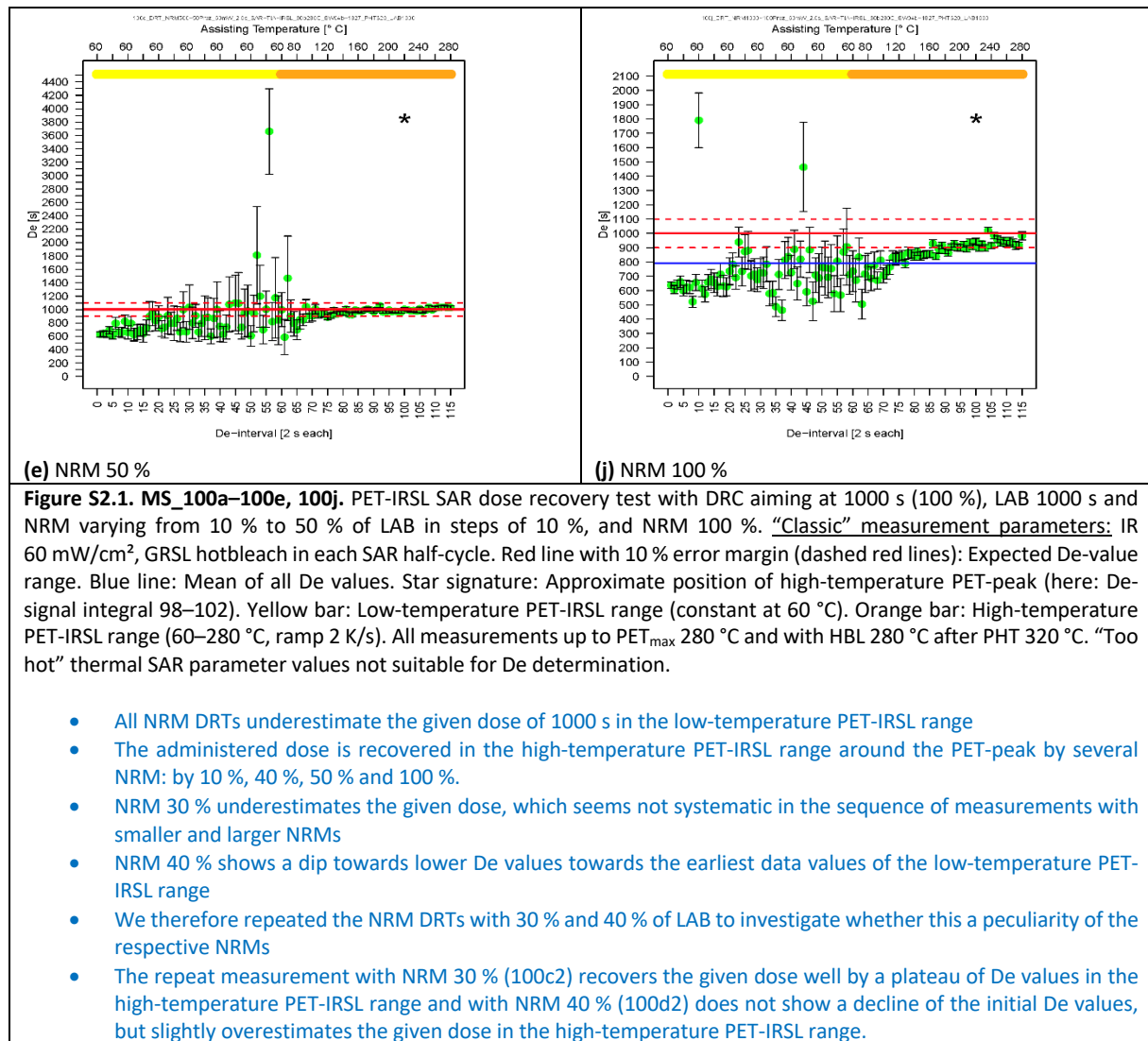




S2. Various PET-IRSL SAR tests and De measurements (MS_100a ff) on sample HDS-1827 on LR03 (PULSE)

S2.1. NRM-DRTs on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 1000 s – LAB 1000 s – NRM 10–50 % of LAB increasing in steps of 10 % and NRM 100 %





S2.2. NRM DRTS on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 1000 s – LAB 400 s – NRM 10–50 % of LAB increasing in steps of 10 % and NRM 100 %

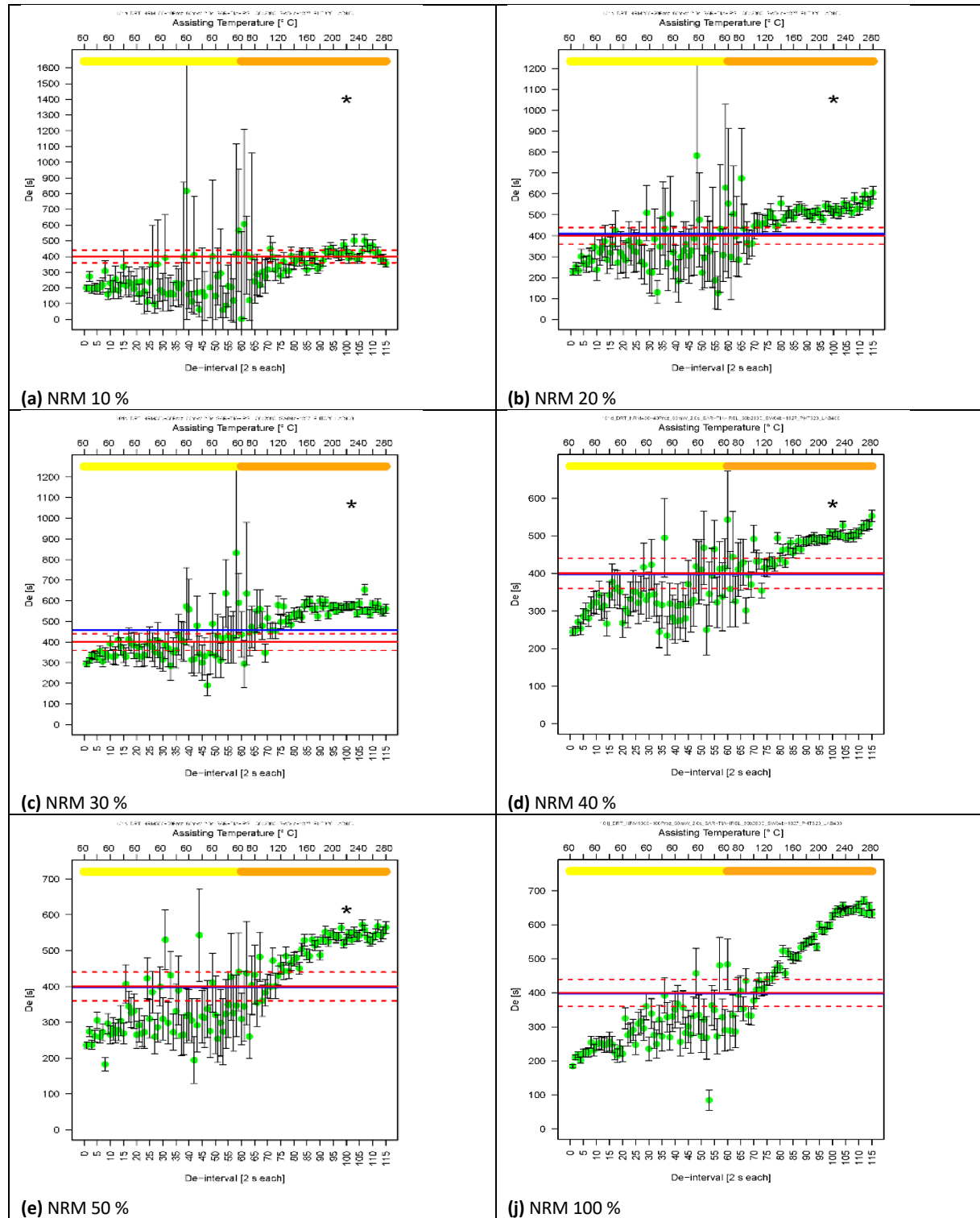
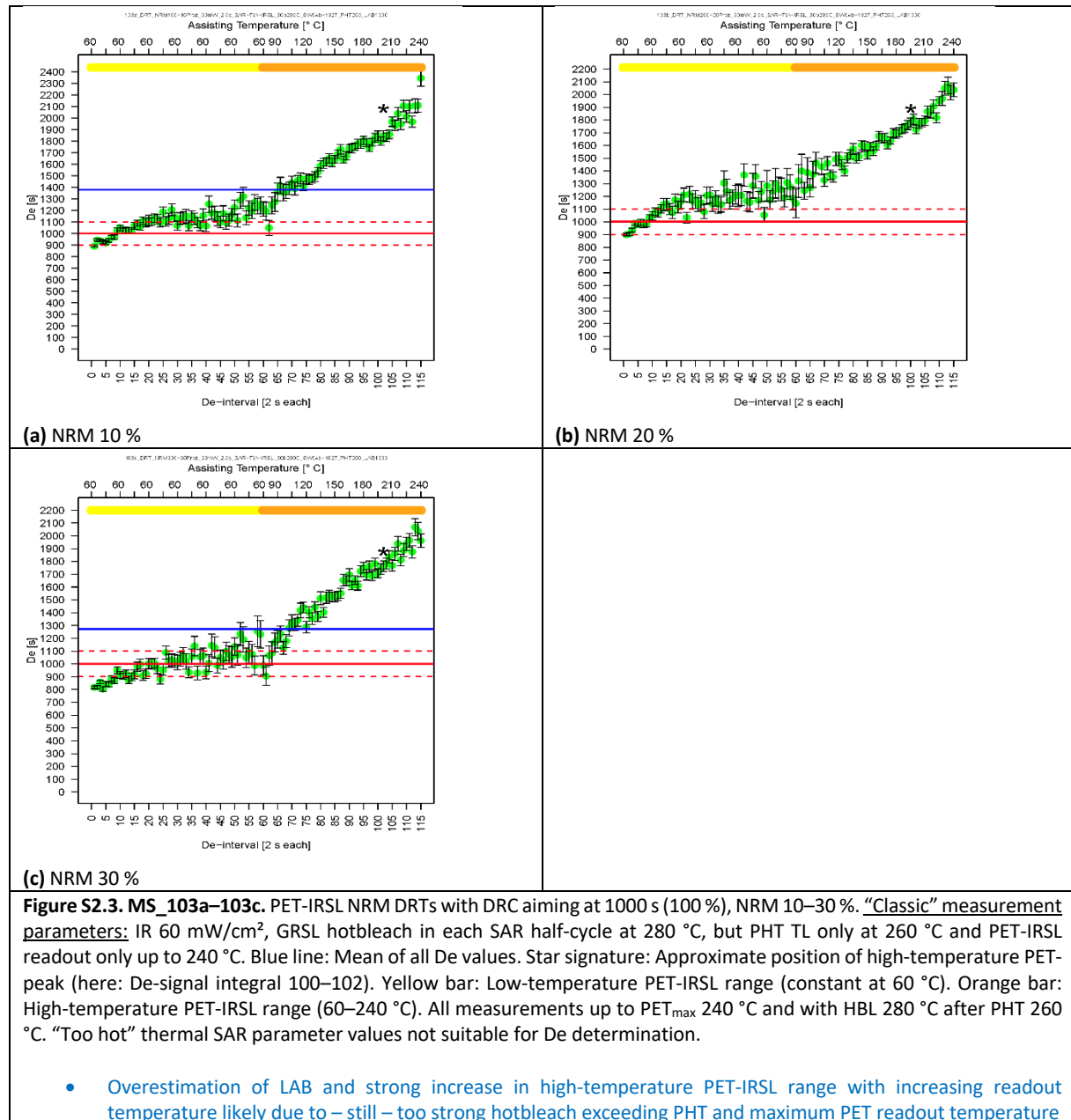


Figure S2.2. MS_101a–101e, 101j. PET-IRSL SAR dose recovery test with DRC aiming at 1000 s (100%), LAB 400 s and NRM varying from 10 % to 50 % of LAB in steps of 10 %, and NRM 100 %. “Classic” measurement parameters: IR 60 mW/cm², GRSL hotbleach in each SAR half-cycle. Red line with 10 % error margin (dashed red lines): Expected De-value range. Blue line: Mean of all De values. Star signature: Approximate position of high-temperature PET-peak (here: De-signal integral 100–104). Yellow bar: Low-temperature PET-IRSL range (constant at 60 °C). Orange bar: High-temperature PET-IRSL range

(60–280 °C, ramp 2 K/s). All measurements up to PET_{max} 280 °C and with HBL 280 °C after PHT 320 °C. “Too hot” thermal SAR parameter values not suitable for De determination.

- The measurements of the NRM DRTs series 101a–101e and 101j differ from those in the previous series 100a–100e and 100j only by the smaller size of the given laboratory dose (LAB 400 s instead of 1000 s)
- Like for LAB 1000 s the given dose of 400 s is underestimated by all NRM in the low-temperature PET-IRSL range
- The smaller laboratory dose of 400 s is recovered in the high-temperature PET-IRSL range around the PET-peak by NRM 10 %, whereas larger NRM overestimate the given dose, the degree of overestimation increasing systematically with increasing NRM

S2.3. NRM-DRTs on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle at 280 °C – LAB 1000 s – NRM 10–30 % of LAB increasing in steps of 10 % – PHT-TL at 260 °C – PET up to 240 °C – GRSL HBL likely too hot as compared to PHT-TL and maximum PET-IRSL readout temperature



S2.4. NRM-DRTs on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle at 280 °C – LAB 1000 s – NRM 10–50 % of LAB increasing in steps of 10 % and NRM 100 % of LAB – PHT-TL at 280 °C – PET-IRSL up to 280 °C – GRSL HBL also at 280 °C

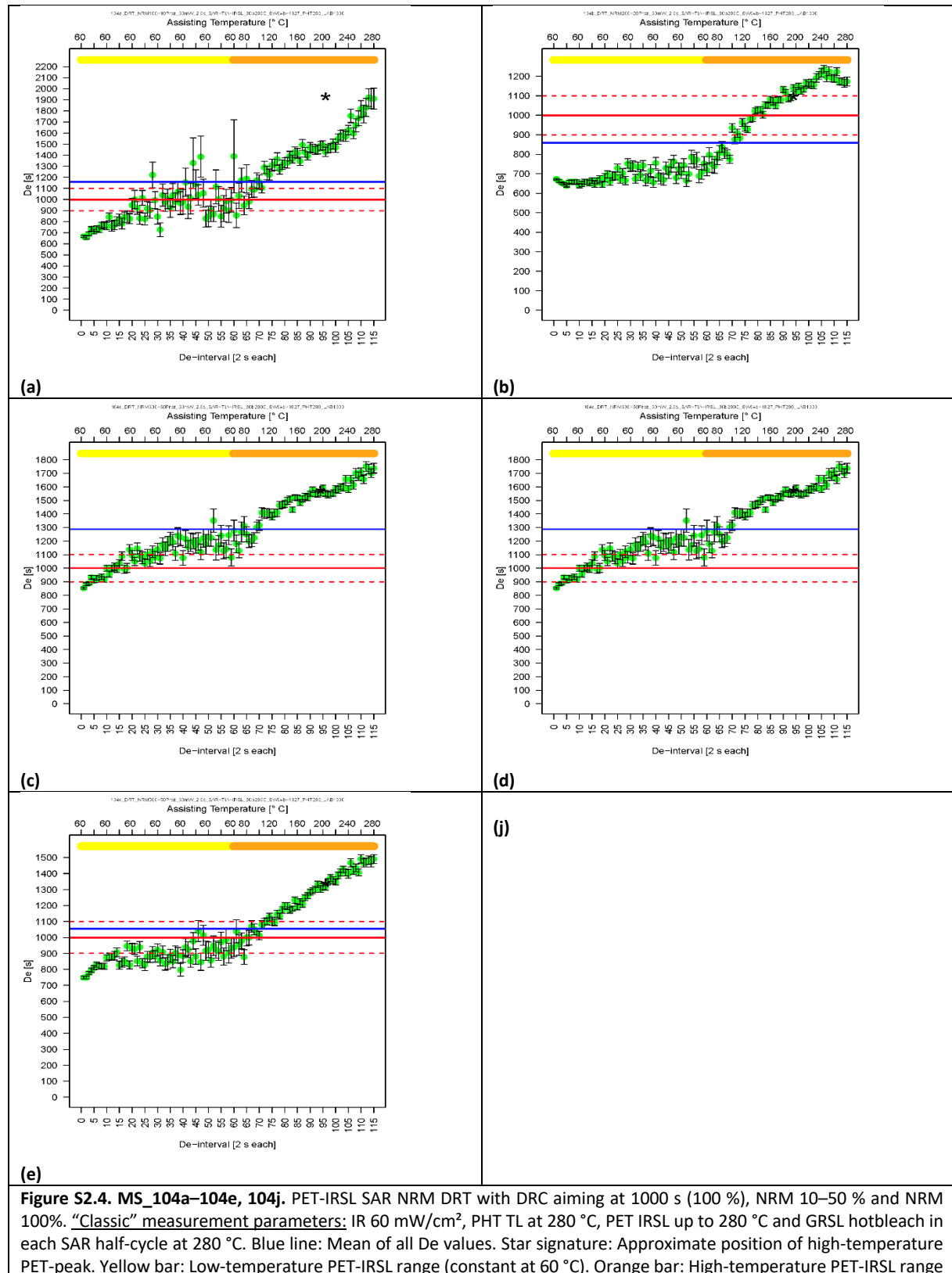
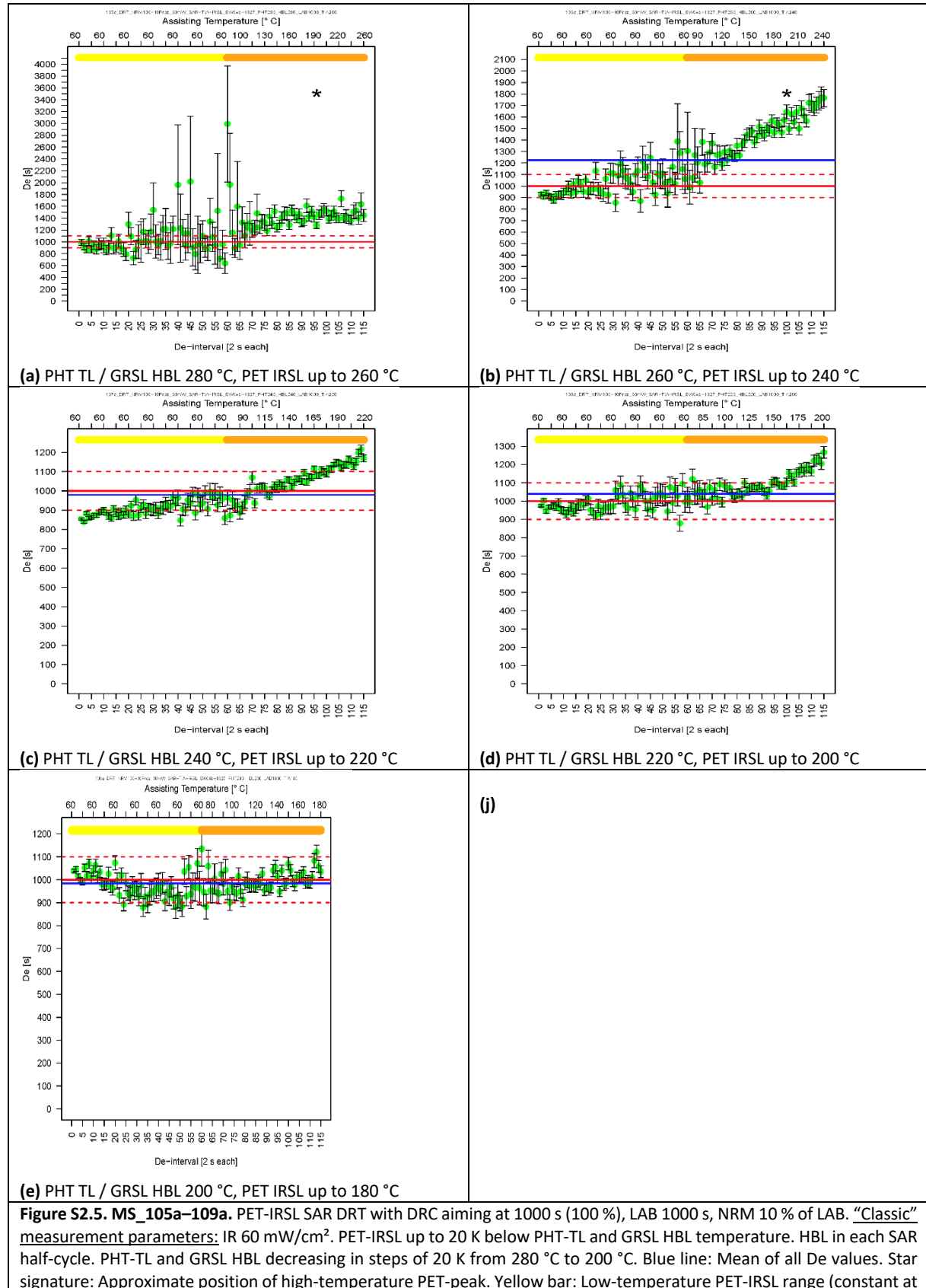


Figure S2.4. MS_104a–104e, 104j. PET-IRSL SAR NRM DRT with DRC aiming at 1000 s (100 %), NRM 10–50 % and NRM 100%. “Classic” measurement parameters: IR 60 mW/cm², PHT TL at 280 °C, PET IRSL up to 280 °C and GRSL hotbleach in each SAR half-cycle at 280 °C. Blue line: Mean of all De values. Star signature: Approximate position of high-temperature PET-peak. Yellow bar: Low-temperature PET-IRSL range (constant at 60 °C). Orange bar: High-temperature PET-IRSL range

(60–280 °C). All measurements up to PET_{max} 280 °C and with HBL 280 °C after PHT 280 °C. “Too hot” thermal SAR parameter values not suitable for De determination.

- PHT and GRSL HBL at 280 °C and PET-IRSL readout up to 280 °C do not recover the given LAB with any of the investigated NRM (10–50 % of LAB in steps of 10 % and 100 % of LAB)
- Test next to decrease thermal SAR parameter values PHT, PET_{max} and HBL

S2.5. NRM DRTs on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – LAB 1000 s – NRM 10 % of LAB – PHT-TL and GRSL HBL decreasing in steps of 20 K from 280 °C to 200 °C with corresponding PET-IRSL maximum temperature 20 K below PHT TL and GRSL HBL temperature



60 °C). Orange bar: High-temperature PET-IRSL range. Mostly “too hot” thermal SAR parameter values not suitable for De determination.

- PHT and GRSL HBL at 280 °C, 260 °C, 240 °C, 220 °C and 200 °C and corresponding PET-IRSL up to 260 °C, 240 °C, 220 °C, 200 °C and 180 °C. DRC 1000 s, LAB 1000 s, NRM 100 s.
- The weakest thermal treatment recovers LAB over the whole PET-IRSL range 60–180 °C within a 10 % error margin

Change of photomultiplier tube (PMT): ET Enterprises Ltd., Type B2F/RFI(C679AFN2)

- Serial 39659, PMT-Type 9235
- Serial 40462, PMT-Type 9235QB04
- Repeat measurement series 100a, 101a and 105a–109a
- After that
 - get away from HBL = PHT and substitute by HBL = PET_{max}

S2.6. NRM-DRTs on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 1000 s – NRM 10 % of GC-AIM – LAB 1000 s and 400 s – Repeat measurements with PMT-2

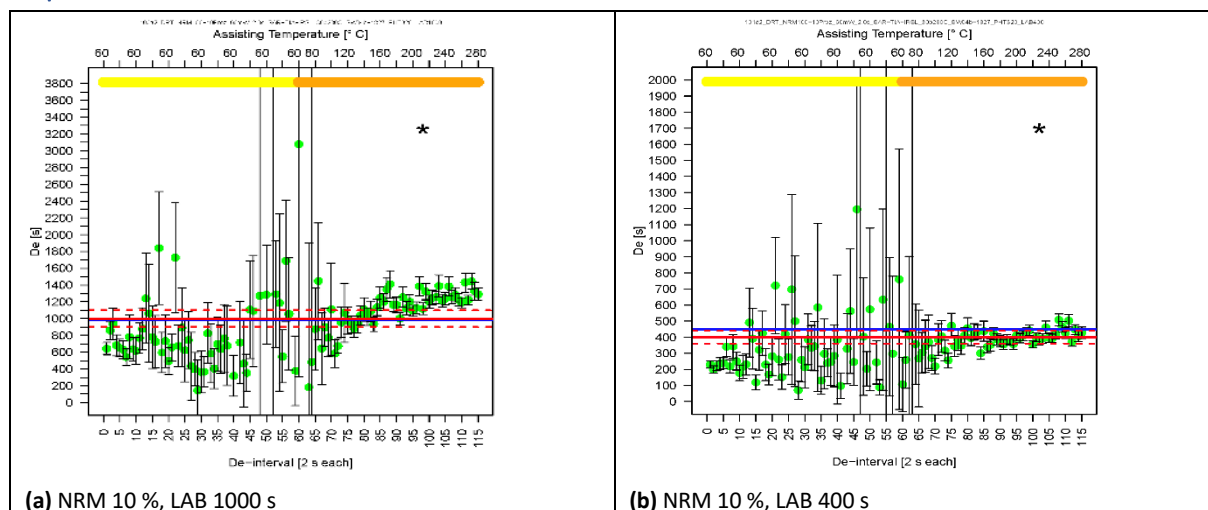


Figure 2.6. MS_100a2, 101a2. PET-IRSL SAR dose recovery test with DRC aiming at 1000 s (100 %), NRM 10 % of DRC-AIM, PHT 320 °C, PET_{max} and HBL 280 °C, NRM 10 %. “Classic” measurement parameters: IR 60 mW/cm², GRSL hotbleach in each SAR half-cycle. Red line with 10 % error margin (dashed red lines): Expected De-value range. Blue line: Mean of all De values. Star signature: Approximate position of high-temperature PET-peak (here: De-signal integral 98–102). Yellow bar: Low-temperature PET-IRSL range (constant at 60 °C). Orange bar: High-temperature PET-IRSL range (60–280 °C, ramp 2 K/s). “Too hot” thermal SAR parameter values not suitable for De determination.

S2.7. DRTs on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR subcycle – LAB 1000 s – NRM 10 % of LAB – PHT-TL and GRSL HBL decreasing in steps of 20 K from 280 °C to 200 °C with corresponding PET IRSL maximum temperature 20 K below PHT TL and GRSL HBL temperature – Repeat measurements with PMT-2

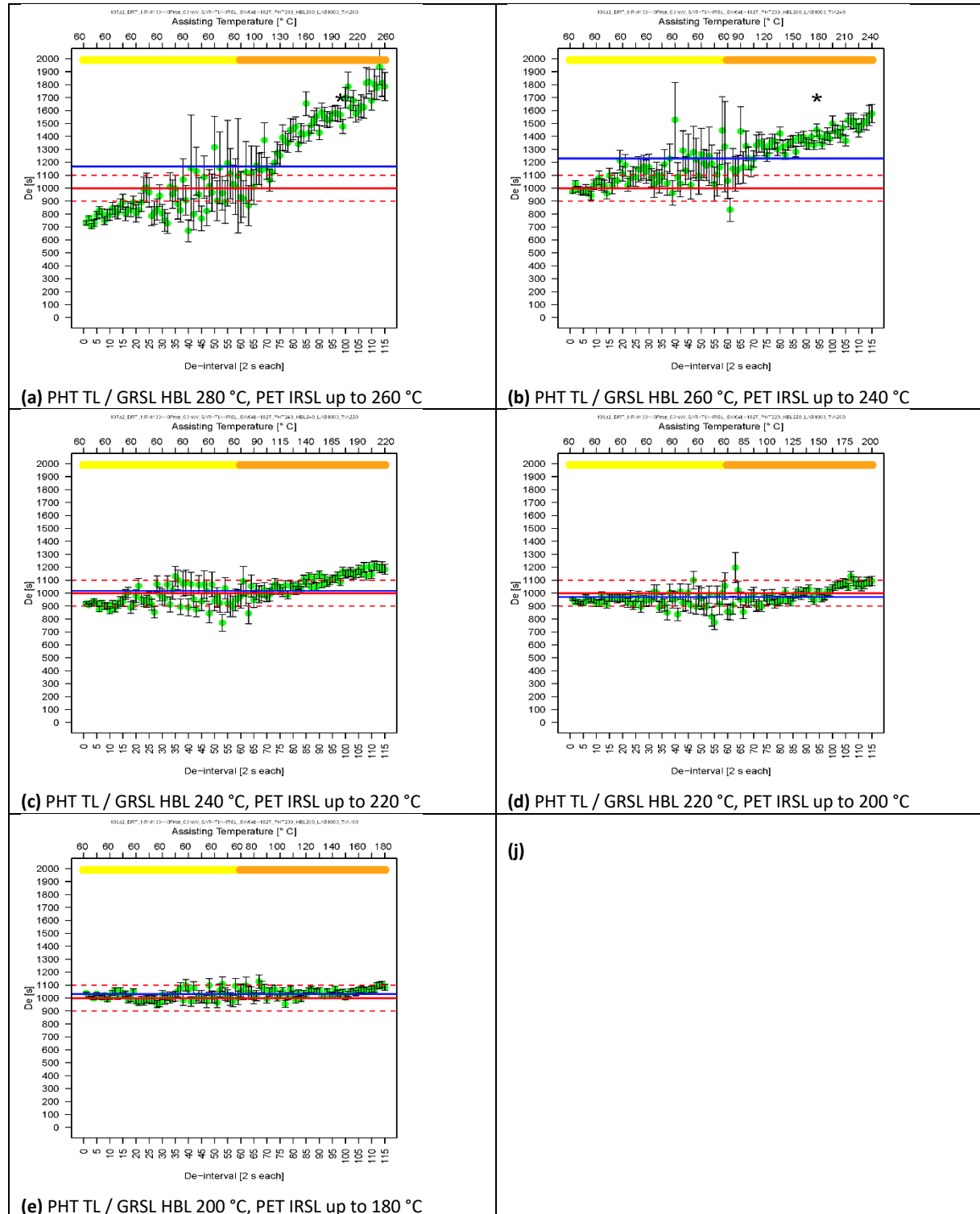
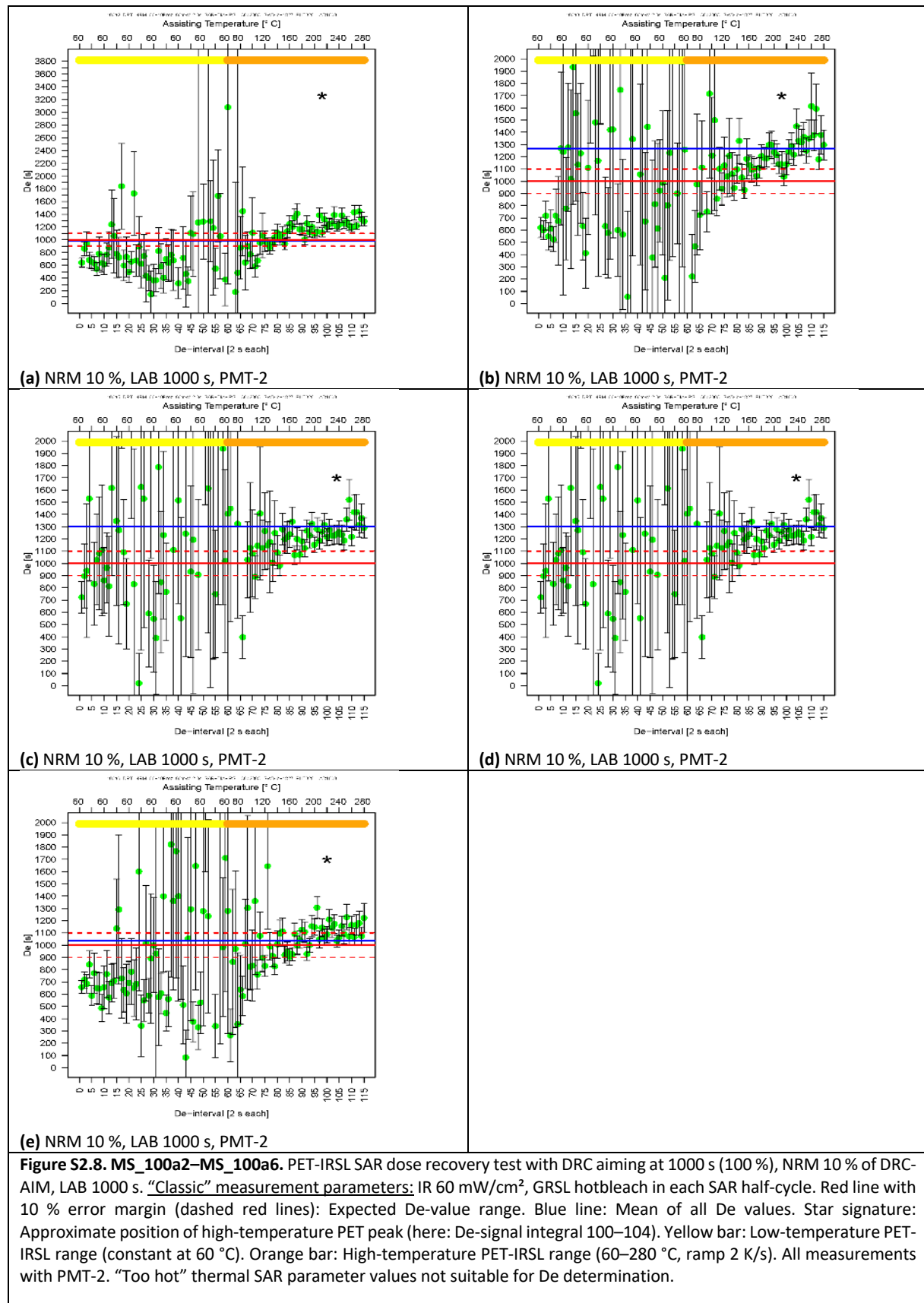


Figure S2.7. MS_105a2–109a2. PET-IRSL SAR DRT with DRC aiming at 1000 s (100 %), LAB 1000 s, NRM 10 % of LAB. “Classic” measurement parameters: IR 60 mW/cm². PET-IRSL up to 20 K below PHT-TL and GRSL HBL temperature. HBL in each SAR half-cycle. PHT-TL and GRSL HBL decreasing in steps of 20 K from 280 °C to 200 °C. Blue line: Mean of all De values. Star signature: Approximate position of high-temperature PET-peak (only for aliquots read out up to ≥ 240 °C).

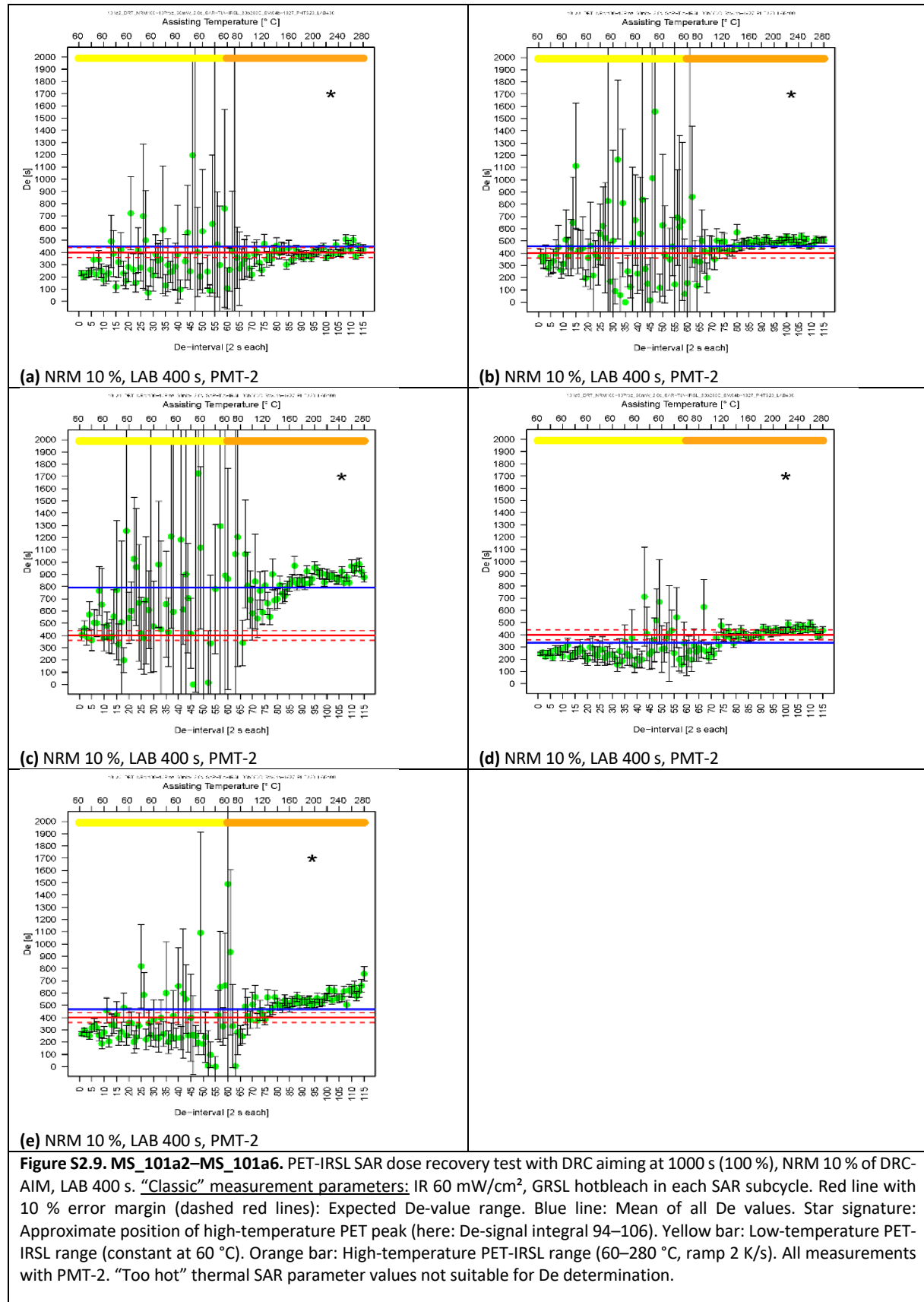
Yellow bar: Low-temperature PET-IRSL range (constant at 60 °C). Orange bar: High-temperature PET-IRSL range. Mostly “too hot” thermal SAR parameter values not suitable for De determination.

S2.8. DRTs on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR subcycle – GC 1000 s – NRM 10 % of GC-AIM – LAB 1000s – Repeat measurements – Include MS_100a2 in the graph



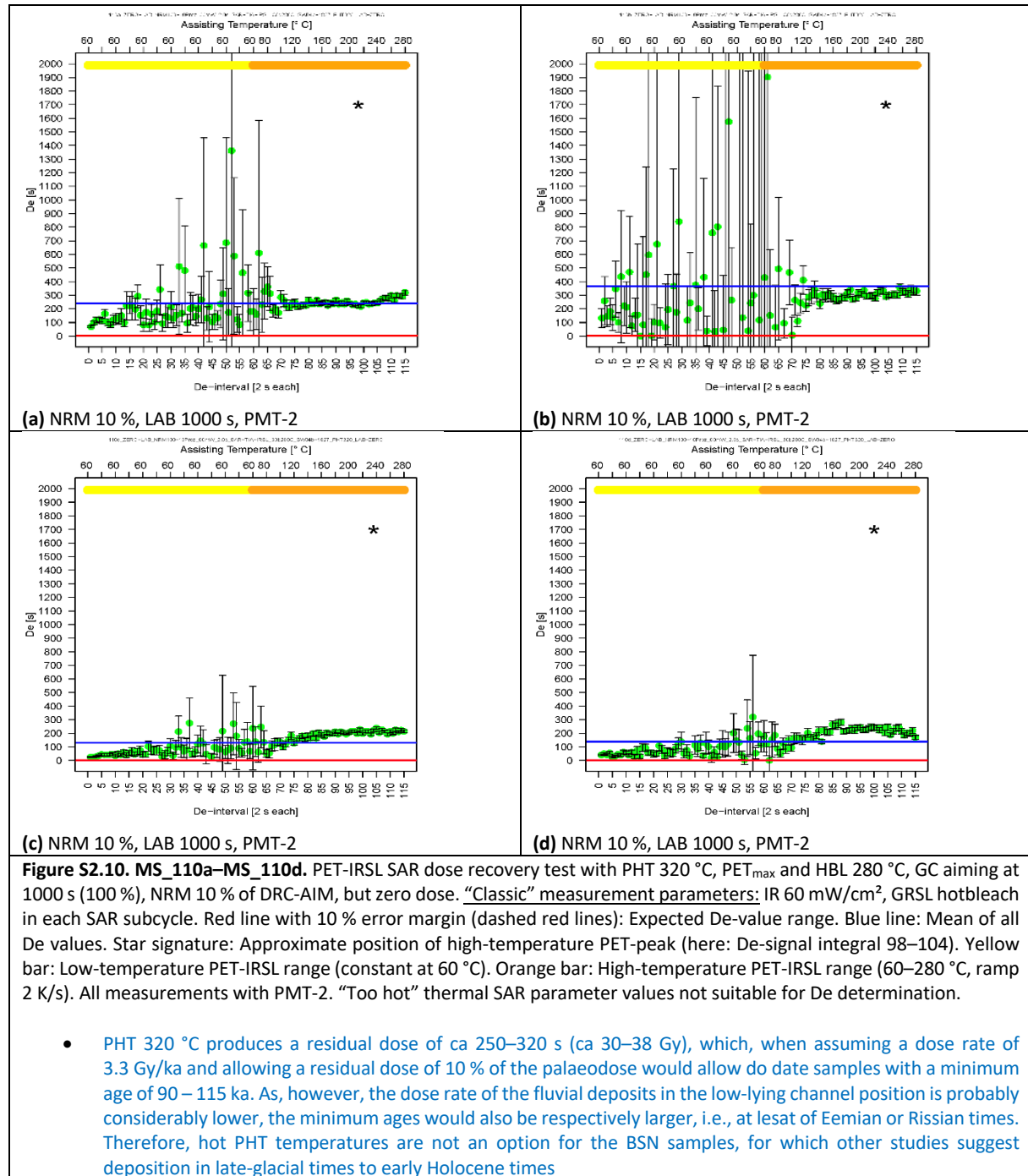
- [Low PET-IRSL signal leading to large data scatter; earlier prepared aliquots had lost too many grains](#)

S2.9. DRTs on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 400 s – NRM 10 % of DRC-AIM – LAB 1000 s – Repeat measurements



- Like for the DRT with LAB 1000 s, all recovered doses underestimate the given dose in the low-temperature PET-IRSL range and – with the exception of **MS_101a2 (a)** – overestimate it to various degrees (up to > 100 %, ca 500 s) supporting the assumption that the aliquots contain a residual dose unbleachable by the here applied bleaching procedure

S2.10. ZERO-LAB DRTs on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 1000 s – NRM 10 % of DRC-AIM – Repeat measurements

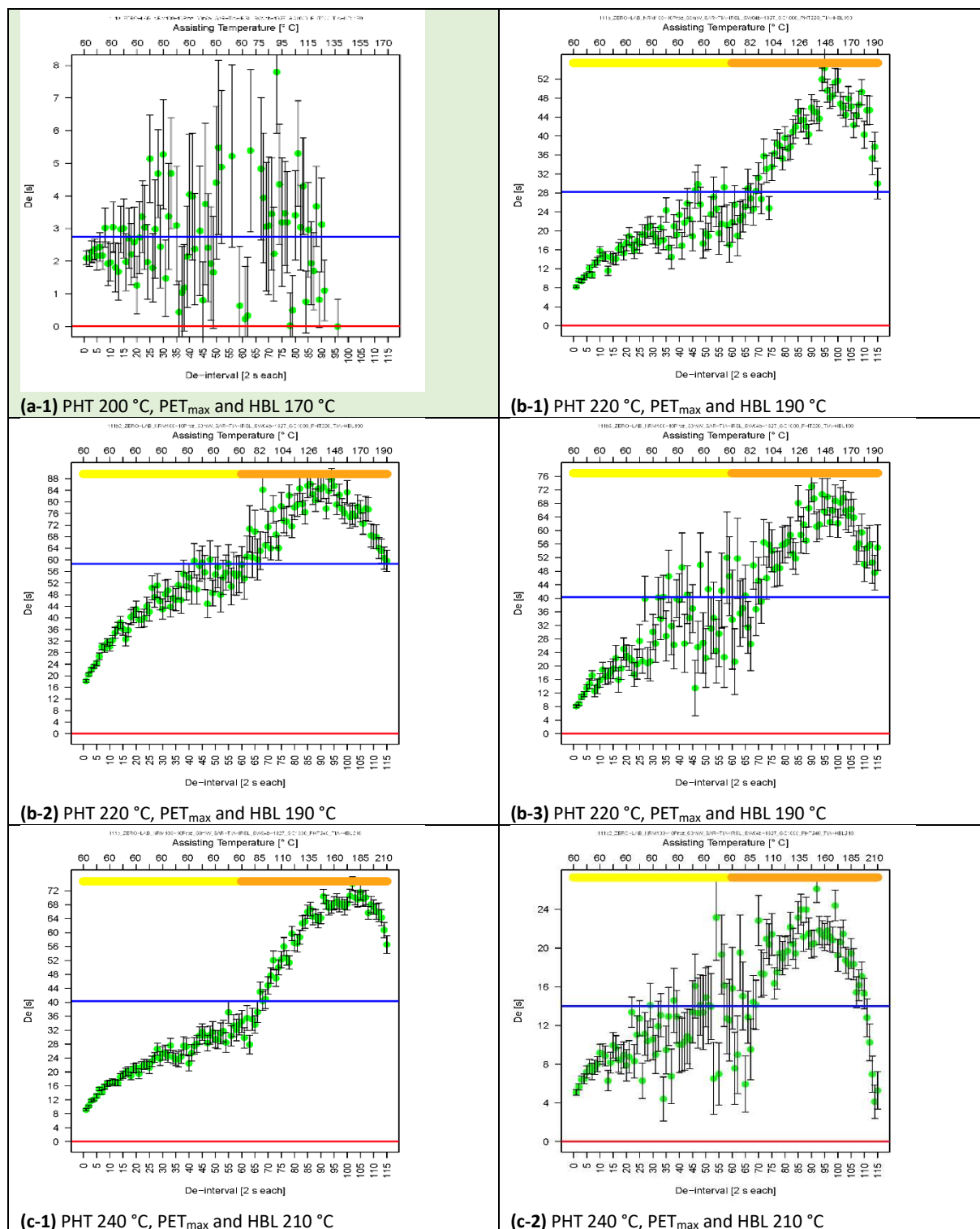


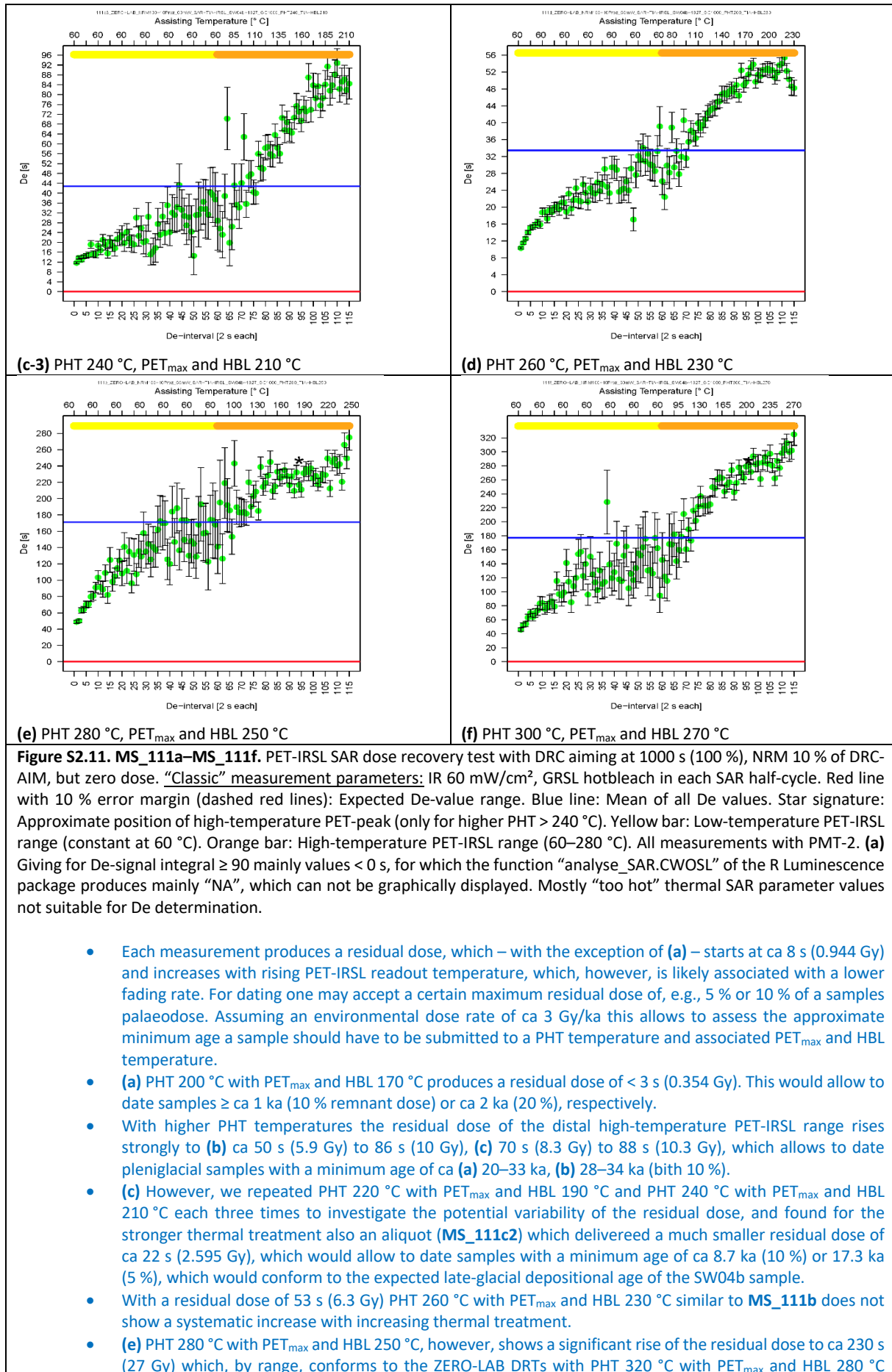
- PHT 320 °C is not an option for the BSN sample
- Next steps:
 - Zero-Dose DRTs
 - Decrease PHT temperature from 300 °C to 200 °C with corresponding PET_{max} and HBL 30 K lower → change of philosophy with respect to MS_105a–109a/MS_105a2–109a2 in which HBL was equal PHT (not equal PET_{max})

- PHT 320 – PET_{max} 280 – HBL 280 ← „classic“ ← done already
- Swap to Δ 30 K instead of Δ 40 K PET_{max}/HBL below PHT
- PHT 320 – PET_{max} 290 – HBL 290 → omit measurement, not worth it
- PHT 300 – PET_{max} 270 – HBL 270
- PHT 280 – PET_{max} 250 – HBL 250
- PHT 260 – PET_{max} 230 – HBL 230
- PHT 240 – PET_{max} 210 – HBL 210
- PHT 220 – PET_{max} 190 – HBL 190
- PHT 200 – PET_{max} 170 – HBL 170

Select the one which works with the strongest thermal treatment and increase PET/HBL by 10–20 K

S2.11. ZERO-LAB DRTs on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 1000 s – NRM 10 % of DRC-AIM – Repeat measurements

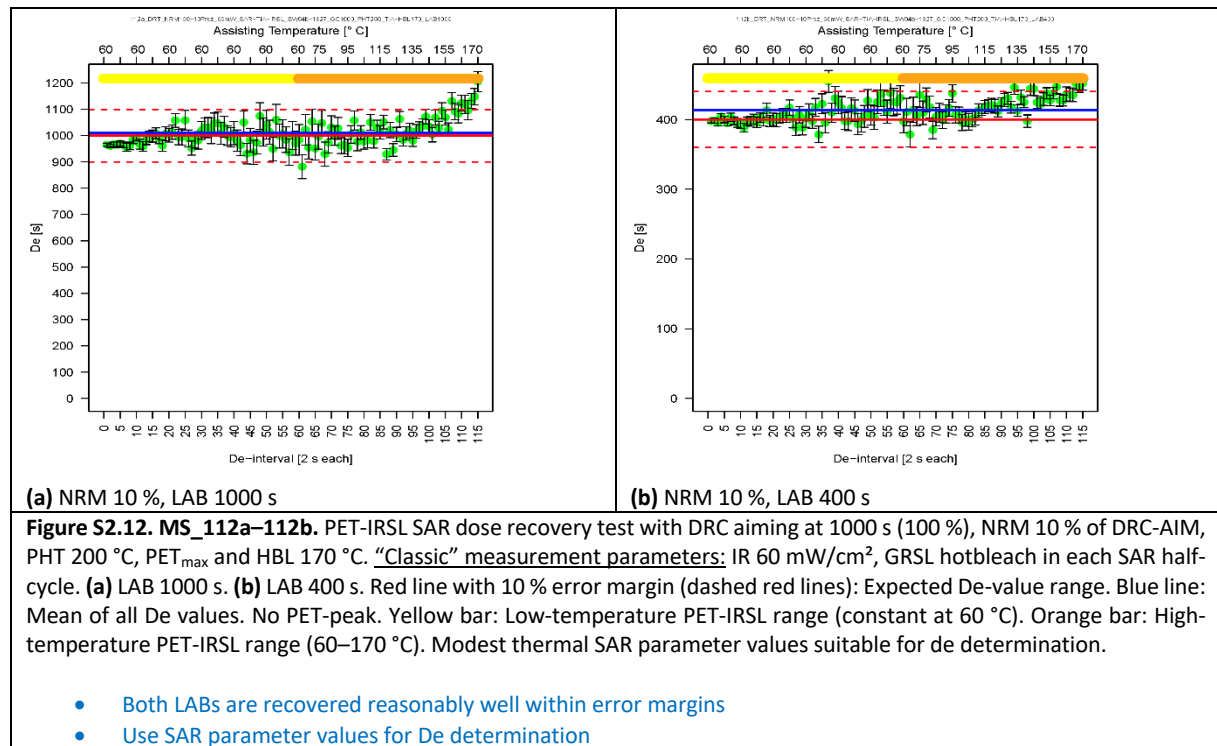




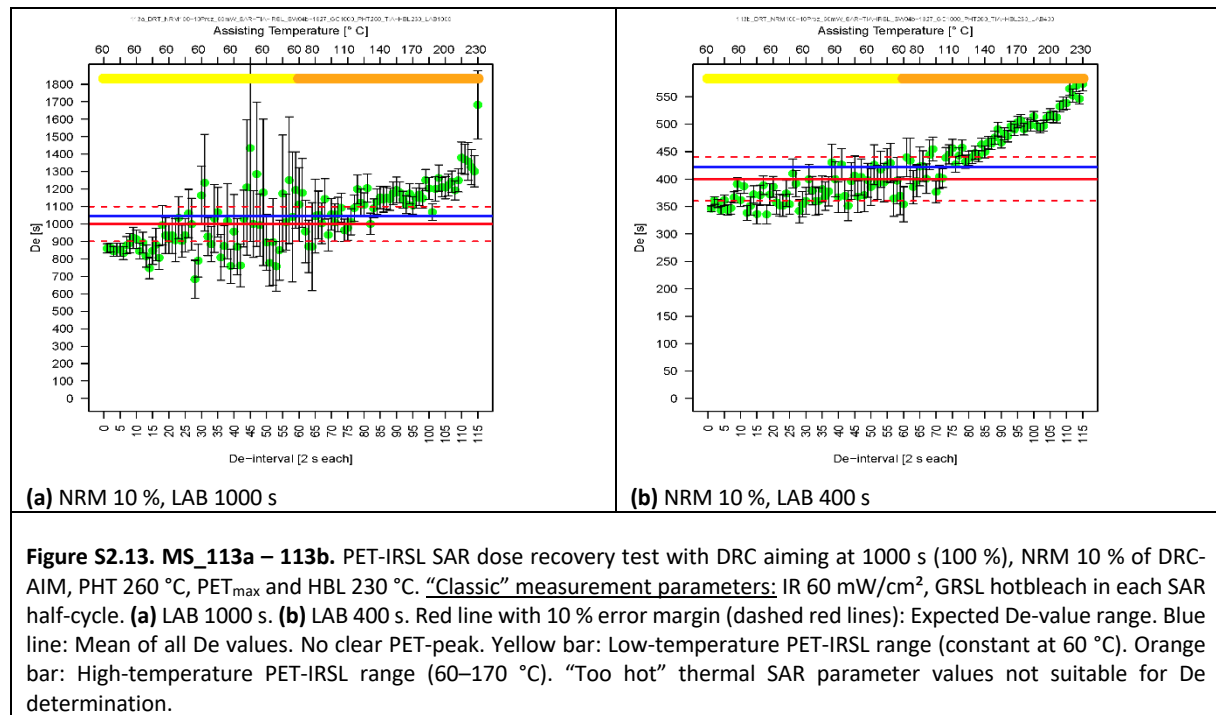
(**MS_110a–110d**). Similar to **MS_110a–110d** **MS_111e** shows a pronounced PET-peak (position at De-signal integral 94) and exhibits a longer high-temperature plateau of elevated De values.

- With a residual dose of 290 s in the high-temperature PET-IRSL range, a pronounced PET-peak (here at De-signal integral 96) and a high-temperature PET-IRSL plateau of elevated De values (**f**) fits the series of measurements with $PHT \geq 260$ °C. It is possible that measurements with PET_{max} and HBL 40 K below PHT (cf. **MS_110a–110d**) show a neater plateau than measurements with PET_{max} and HBL 30 K below PHT.
- Next steps:
 - DRT with DRC 1000 s, NRM 10 % and LAB 1000 s and 400 s with:
 - PHT 200 °C, PET_{max} and HBL 170 °C
 - PHT 260 °C, PET_{max} and HBL 230 °C

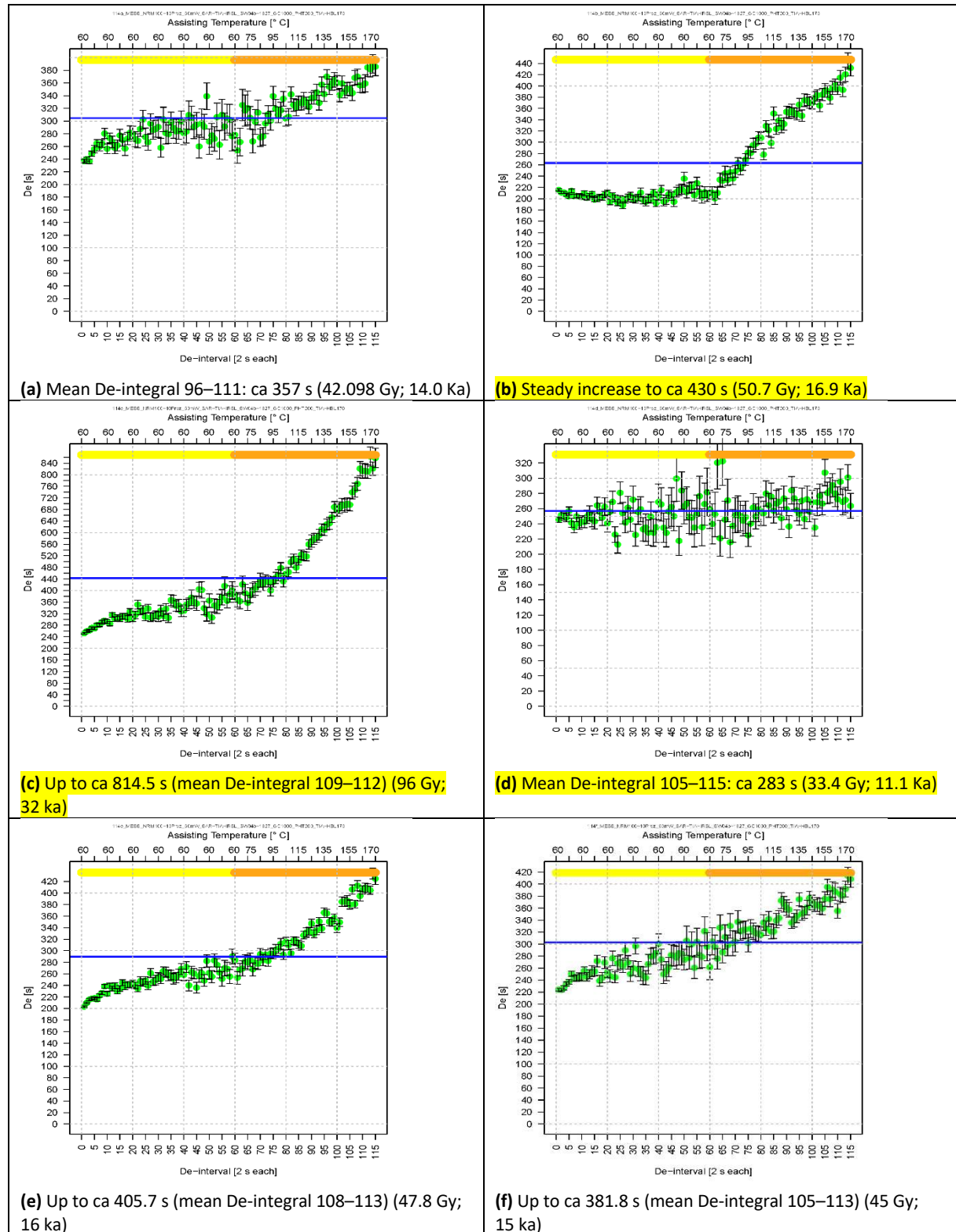
S2.12. NRM-DRTs on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 1000 s – NRM 10 % of DRC-AIM – LAB 1000s and 400 s – PHT 200 °C – PET_{max} and HBL 170 °C

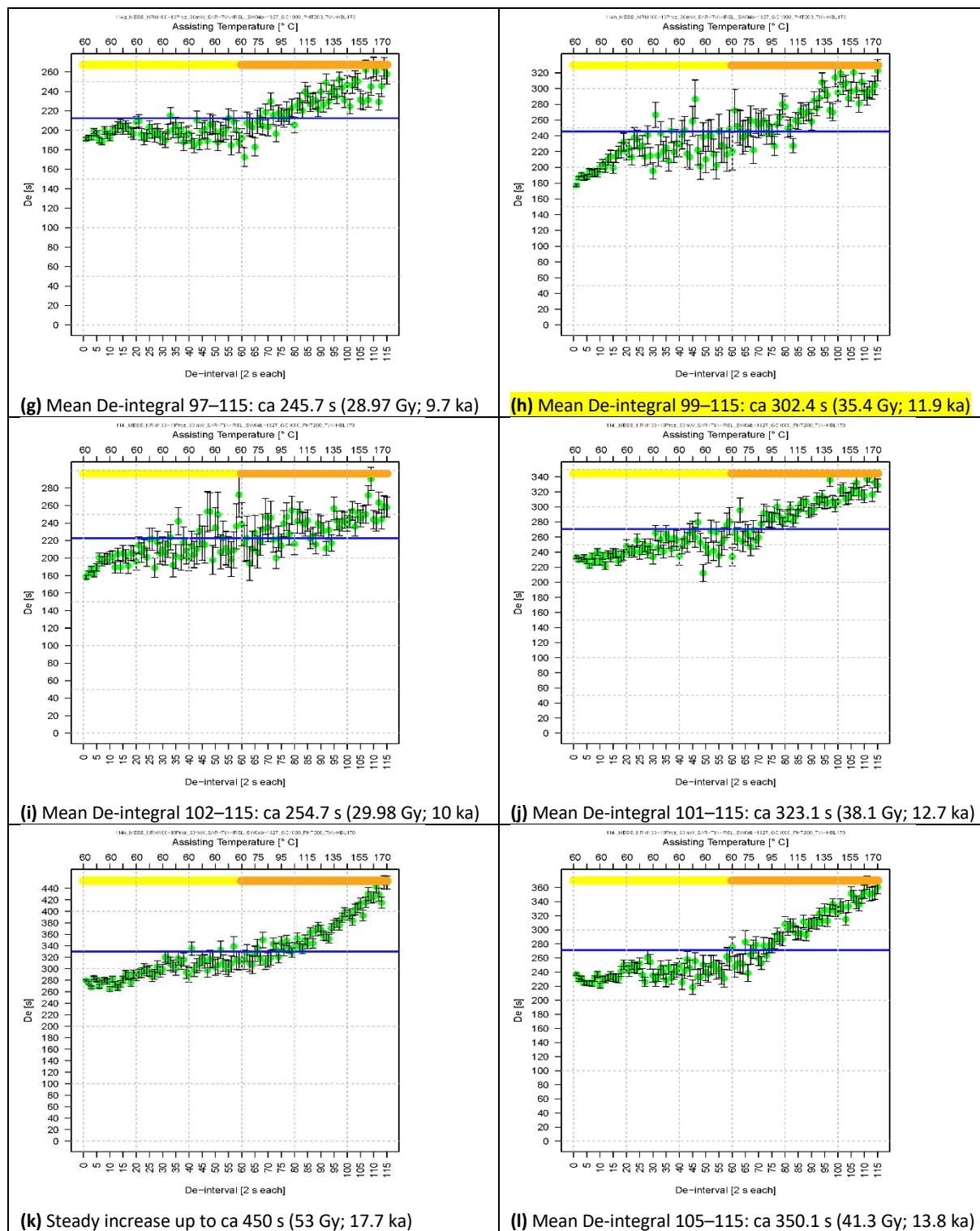


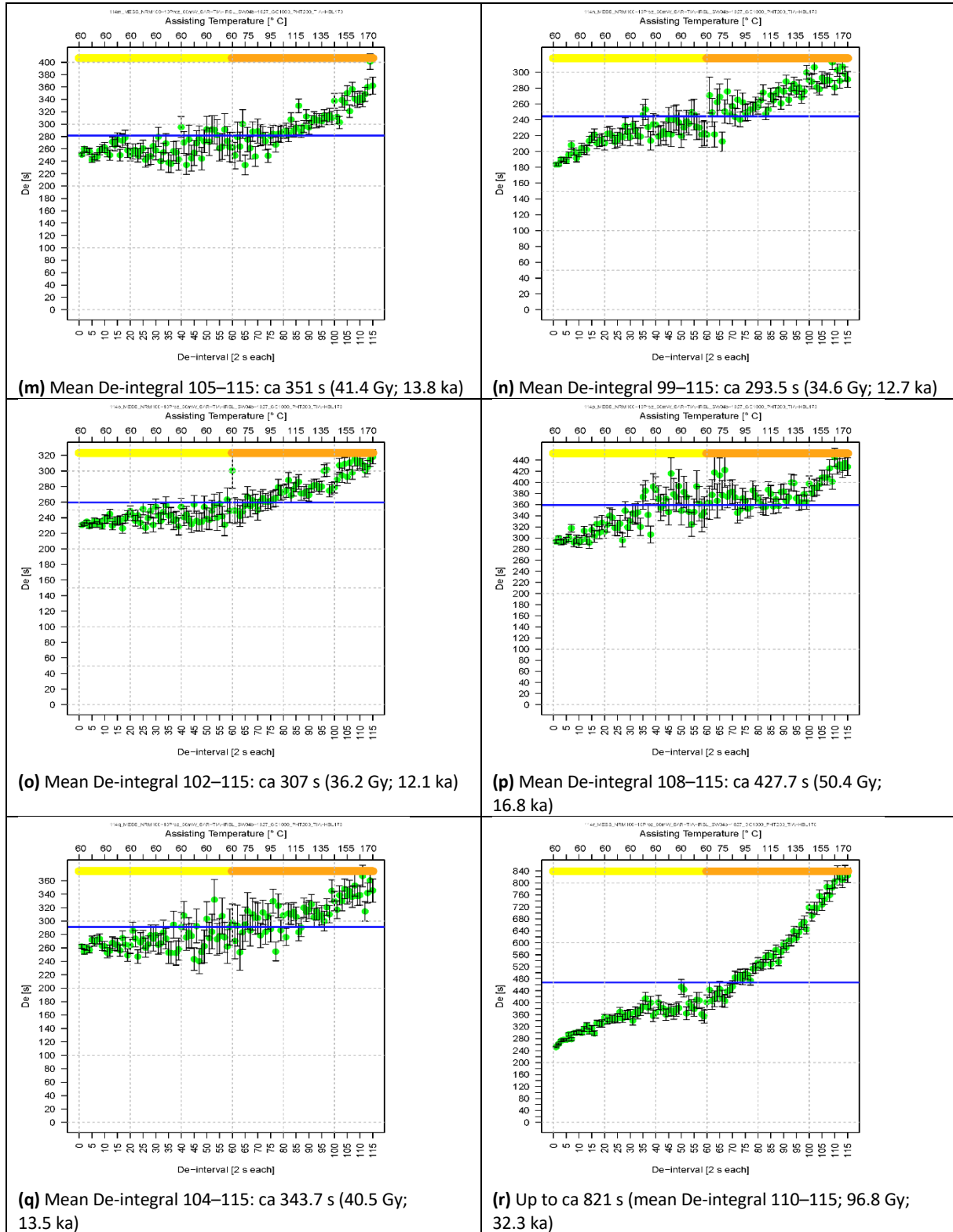
S2.13. NRM-DRTs on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 1000 s – NRM 10 % of DRC-AIM – LAB 1000 s and 400 s – PHT 260 °C – PET_{max} and HBL 230 °C

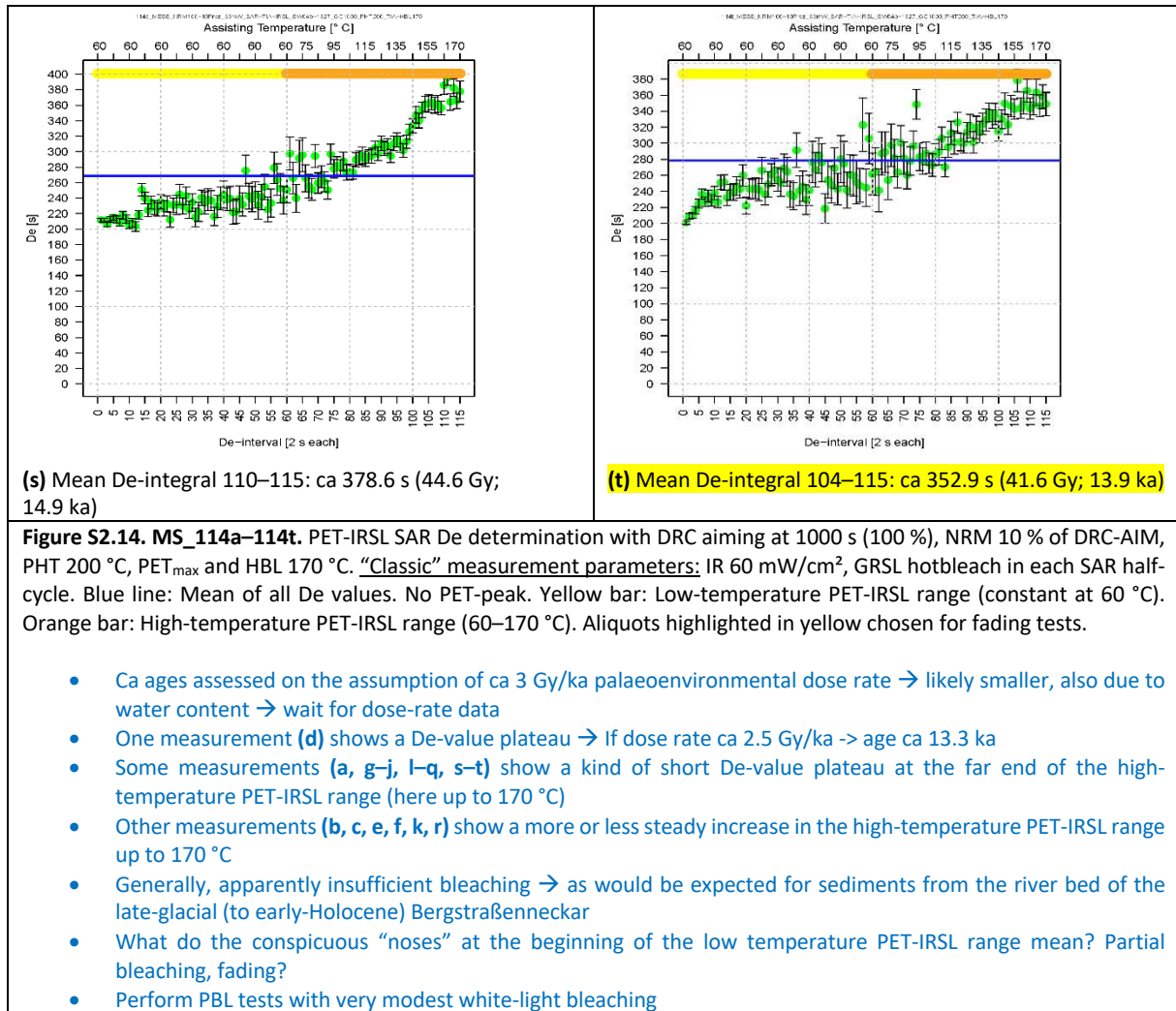


S2.14. De determination on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – GC 1000 s – NRM 10 % of DRC-AIM – PHT 200 °C – PET_{max} and HBL 170 °C









S2.15. PBL test on SW04b-1827 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR subcycle – GC 1000 s – NRM 10 % of GC-AIM – LAB 2 x 200 s – PHT 200 °C – PET_{max} and HBL 170 °C

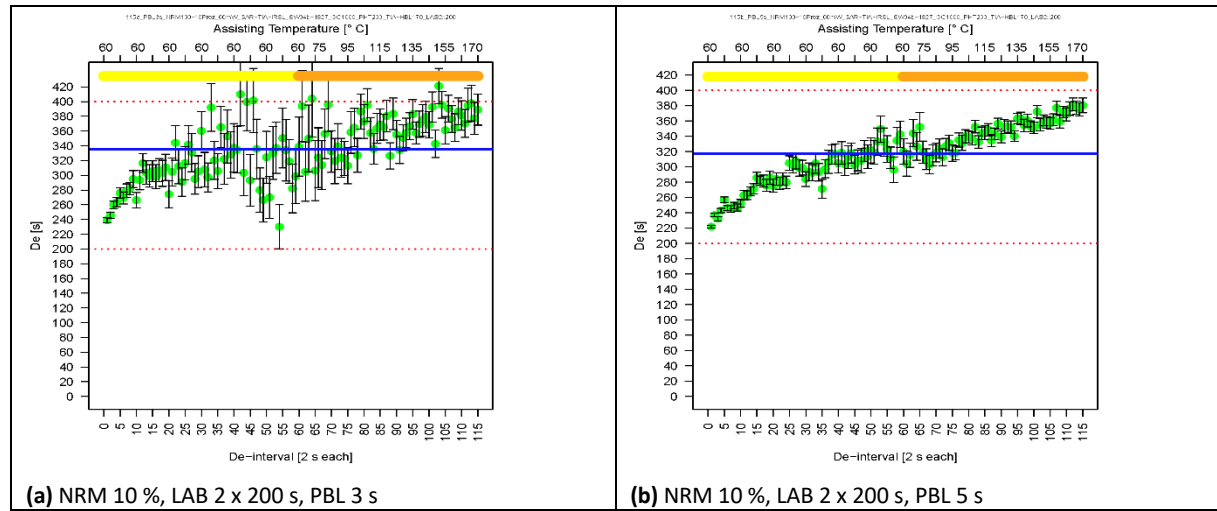
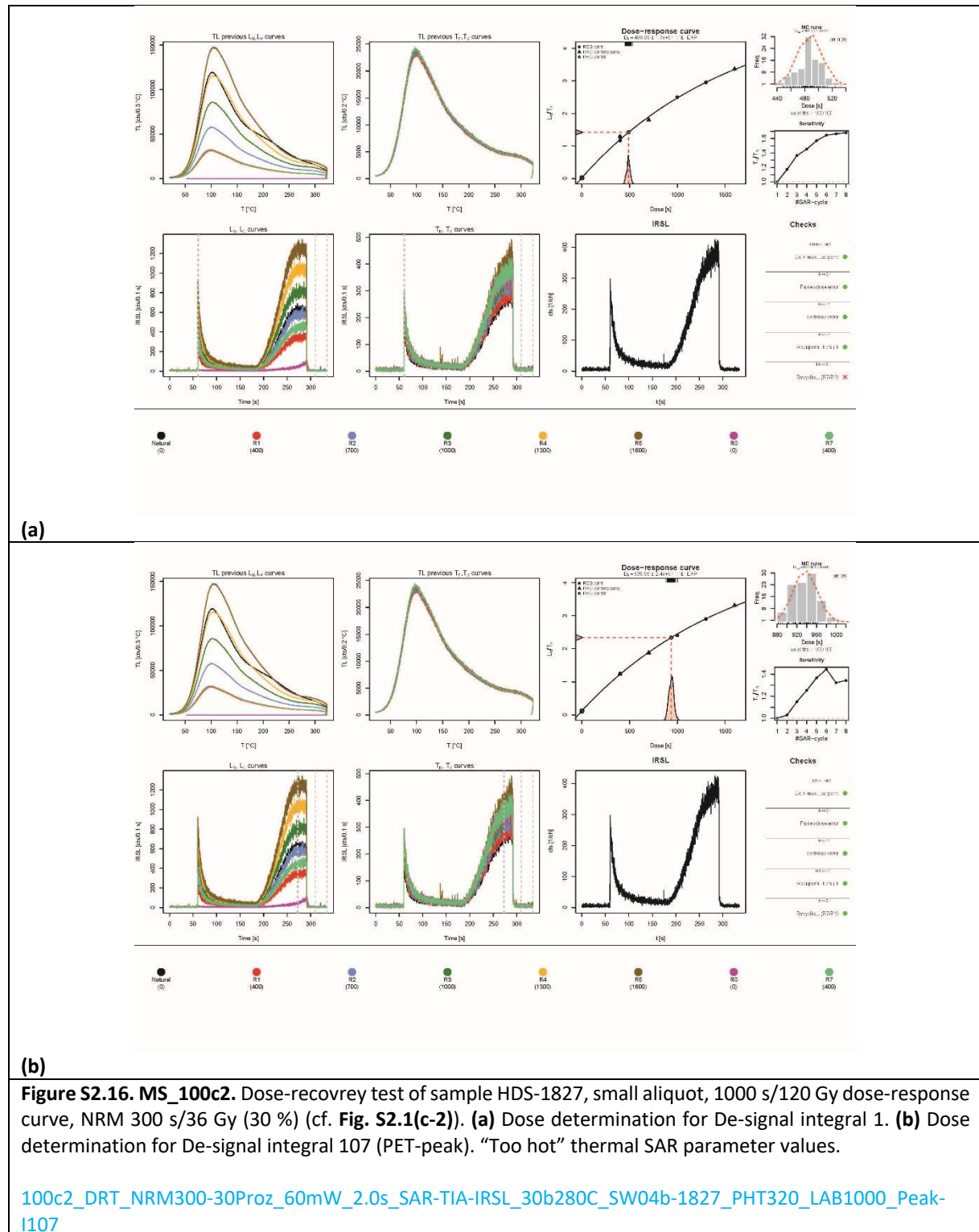
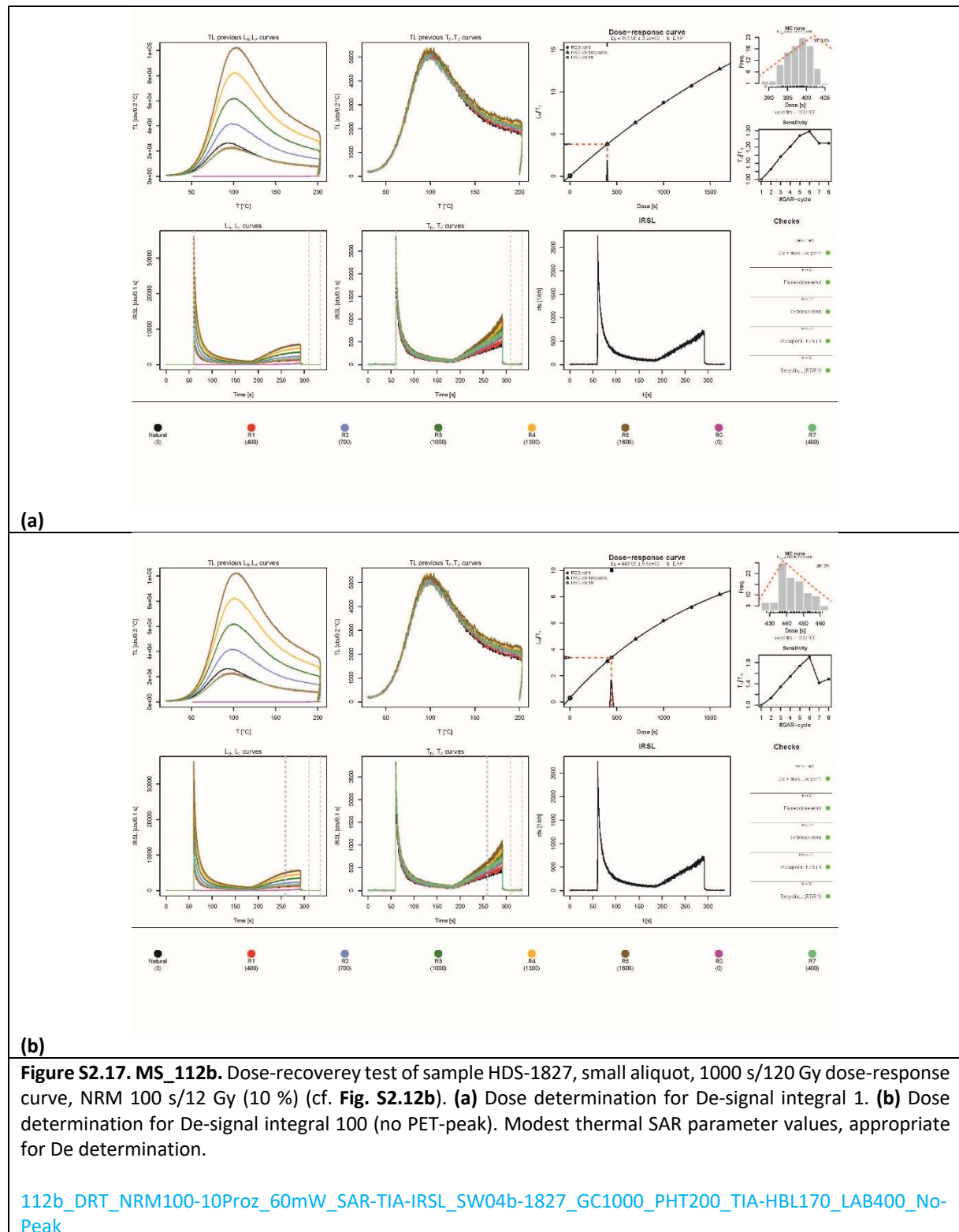
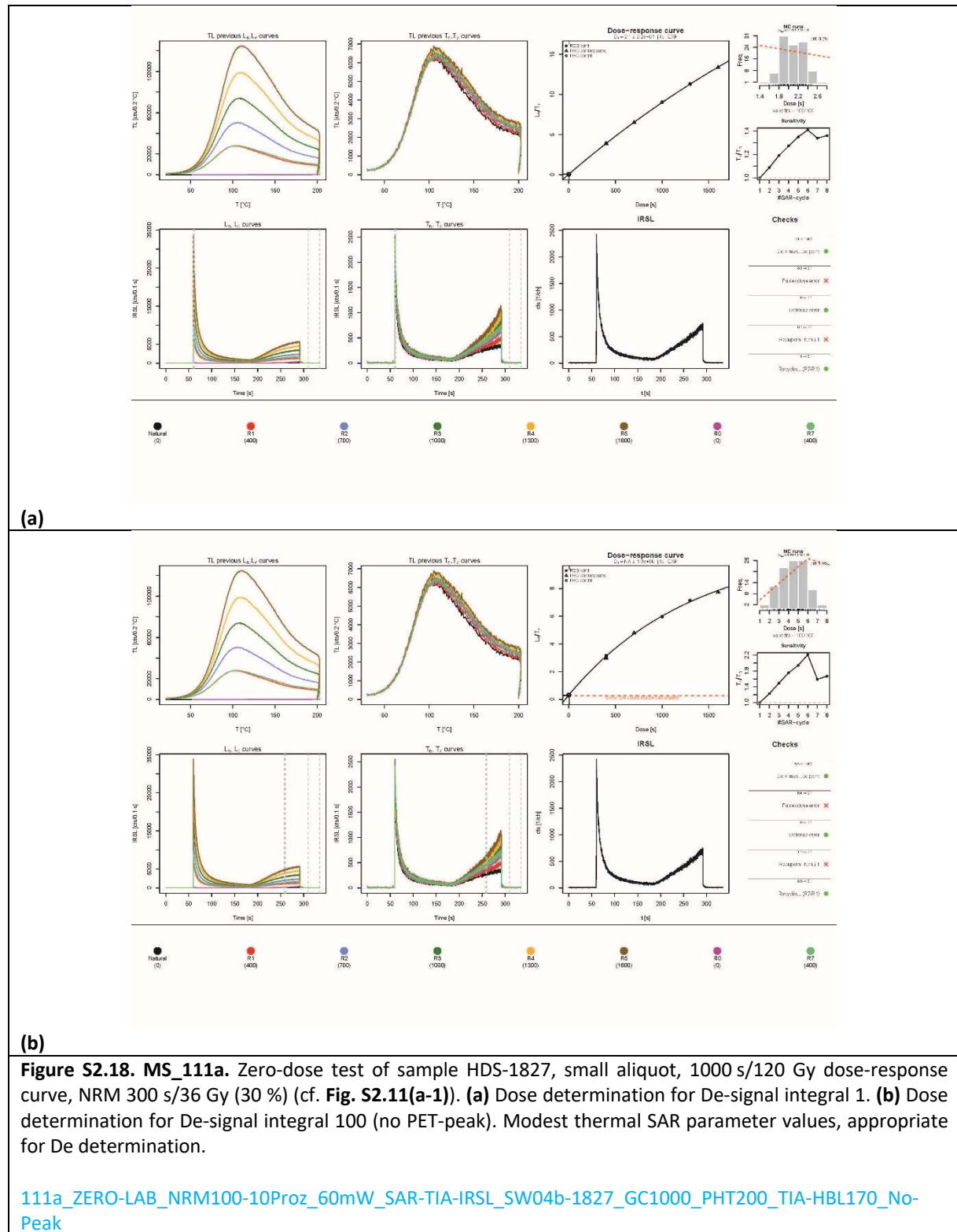


Figure S2.15. MS_115a–115b. PET-IRSL SAR dose recovery test with DRC aiming at 1000 s (100 %), NRM 10 % of DRC-AIM, PHT 200 °C, PET_{max} and HBL 170 °C. “Classic” measurement parameters: IR 60 mW/cm², GRSL hotbleach in each SAR half-cycle. LAB 2 x 200 s. Partial bleach (PBL) subsequent to first LAB 200 s and TL-PHT at 200 °C (a) 3 s solar simulator, (b) 5 s solar simulator. Partial doses: Dotted red lines. Blue line: Mean of all De values. No clear PET-peak. Yellow bar: Low-temperature PET-IRSL range (constant at 60 °C). Orange bar: High-temperature PET-IRSL range (60–170 °C).

- (a, b) Both measurements show the conspicuous “noses” as also observed in most of the measurements on the aliquots with the natural palaeodose. The earliest Des of both measurements slightly overestimate the second applied dose by ca (a) 25 %, (b) 10 %.
- (a) The “hottest” De values ($\geq$ De-integral ca 100) cover the sum of the two applied doses within error margins of the individual De values. (b) The De values of the high-temperature PET-IRSL range into an acceptable 10 % error margin of the sum of the two applied doses.
- We tentatively interpret the results that the lowest and highest De values give a minimum age for the last but one and a maximum age for the last sediment reworking admitting that this hypothesis has to be investigated in more detail in future studies. As, however, the easiest bleachable component is usually also the one to fade most strongly, we would also consider it possible that the PET-IRSL De-data curve exhibits more strongly faded (early part) and less strongly faded sections (later part).



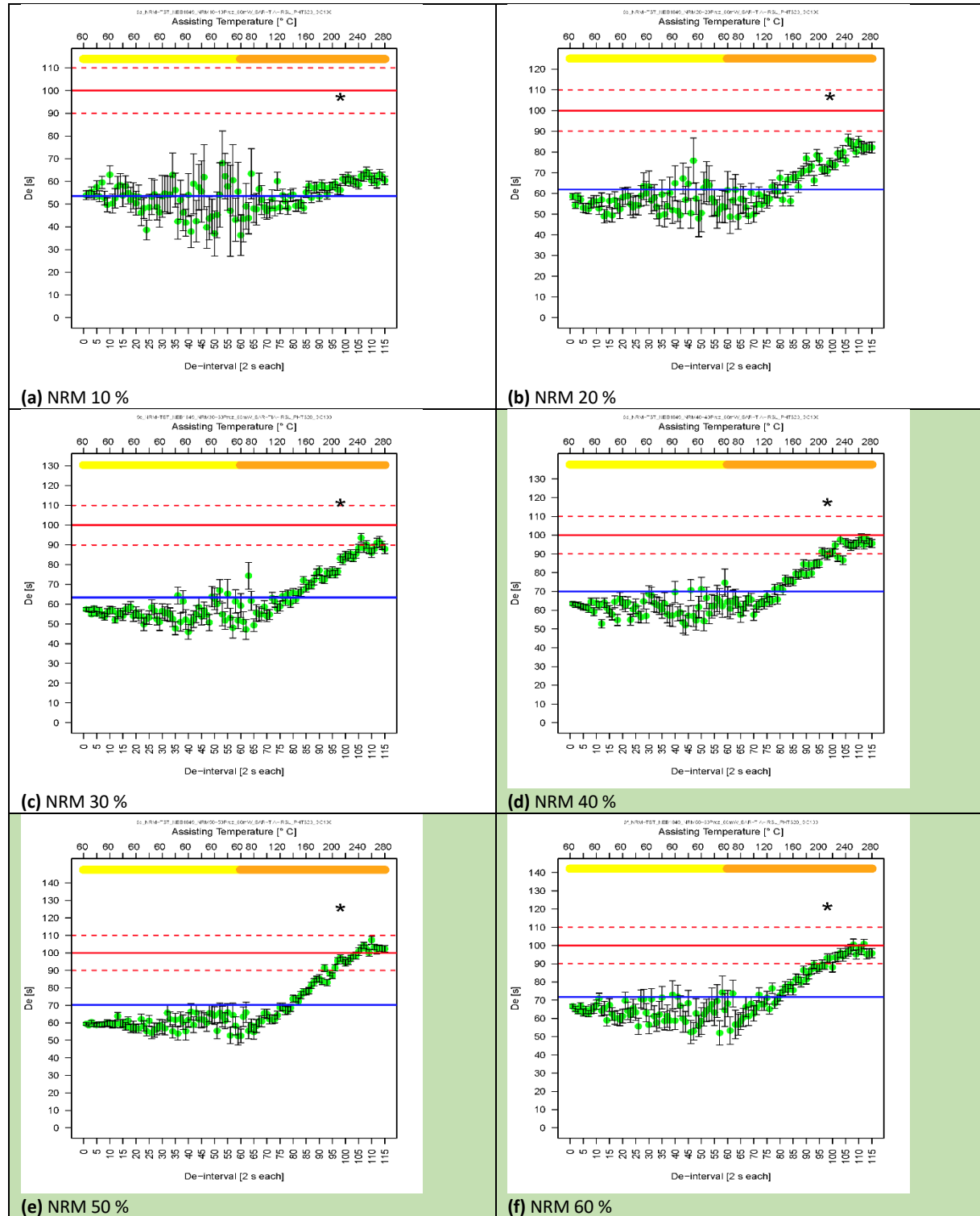


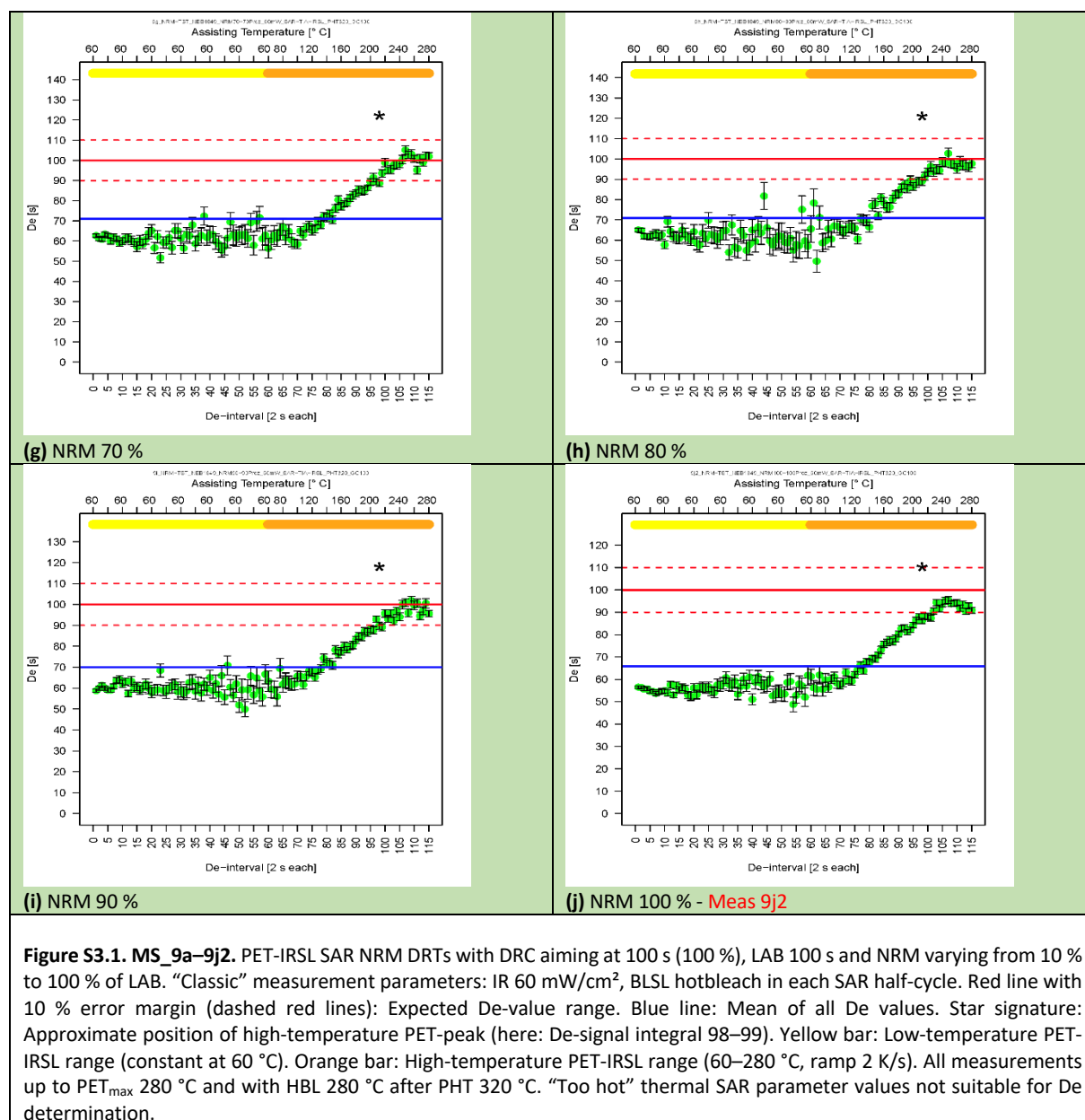


S3. Various PET-IRSL SAR tests and De measurements (MS_9a ff) on sample HDS-1849 on LR04 (COLOUR)

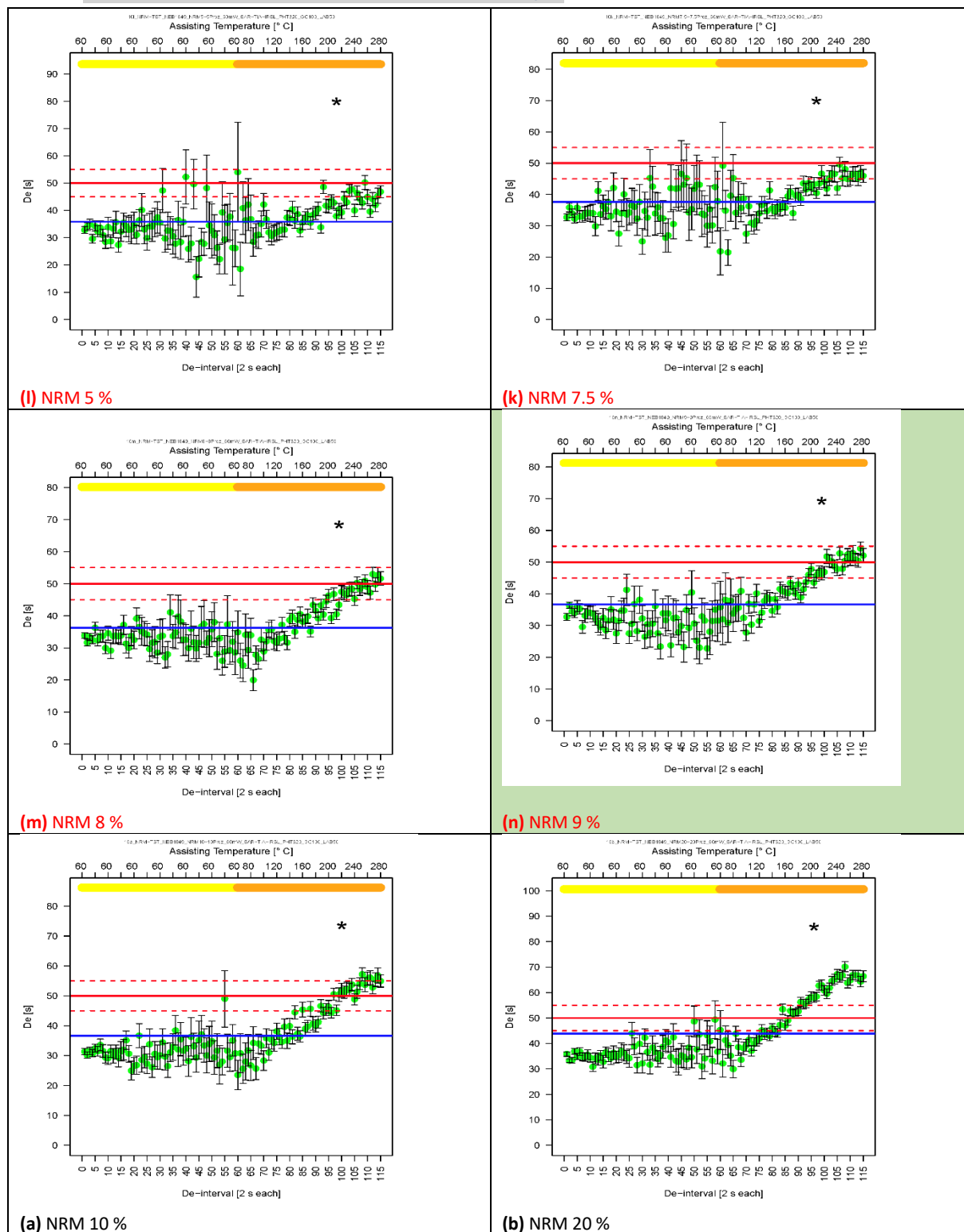
S3.1. NRM DRTs NEB-1849 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – BLSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 100 s – LAB 100 s (9a–9j2) and LAB 50 s (10a–10j2), respectively – NRM 10–100 % of LAB increasing in steps of 10 % – for LAB 50 s additionally NRM 7.5 % and 5 % of LAB (10k, l).

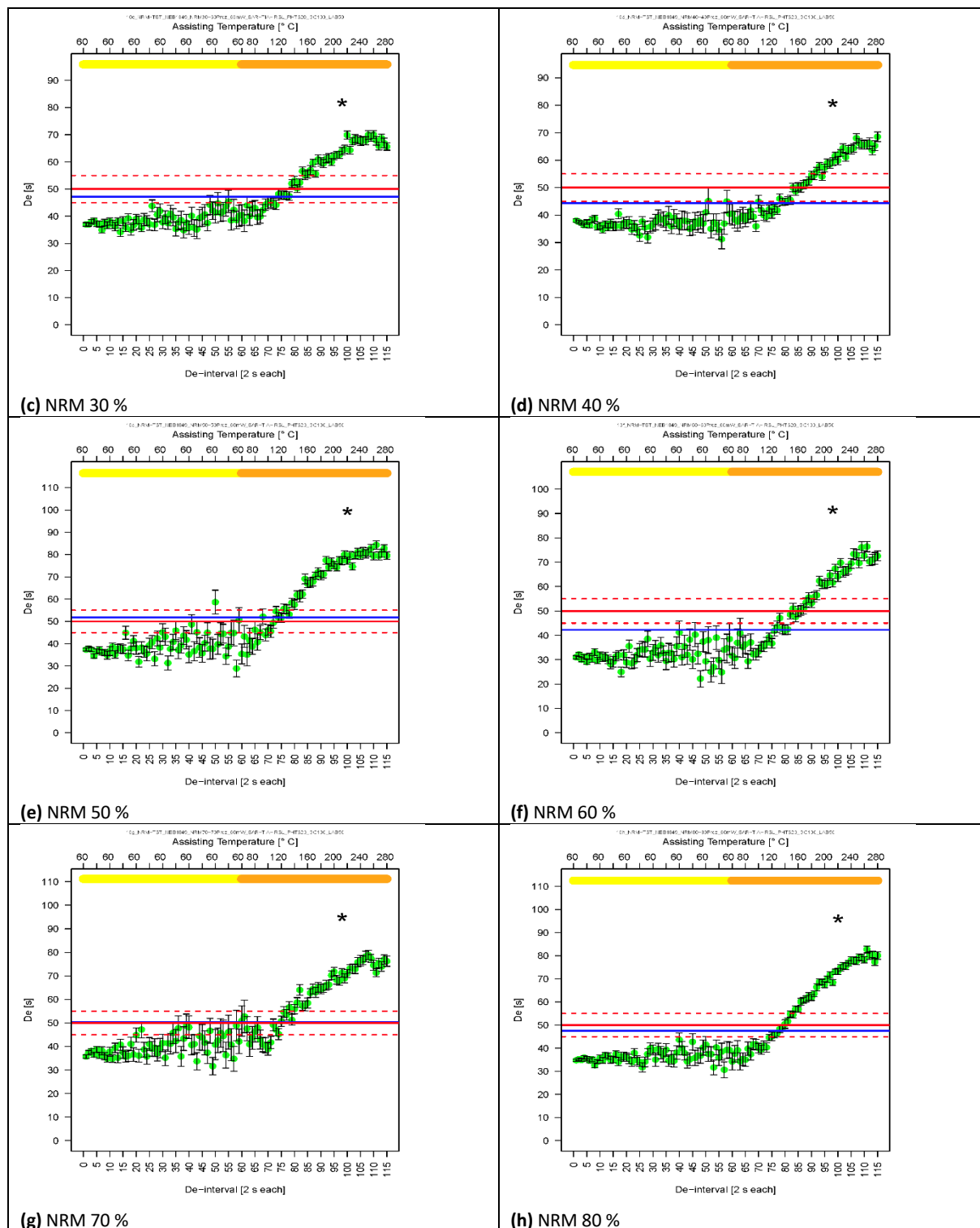
S3.1.1. DRC 100 s – LAB 100 s (9a–9j2)

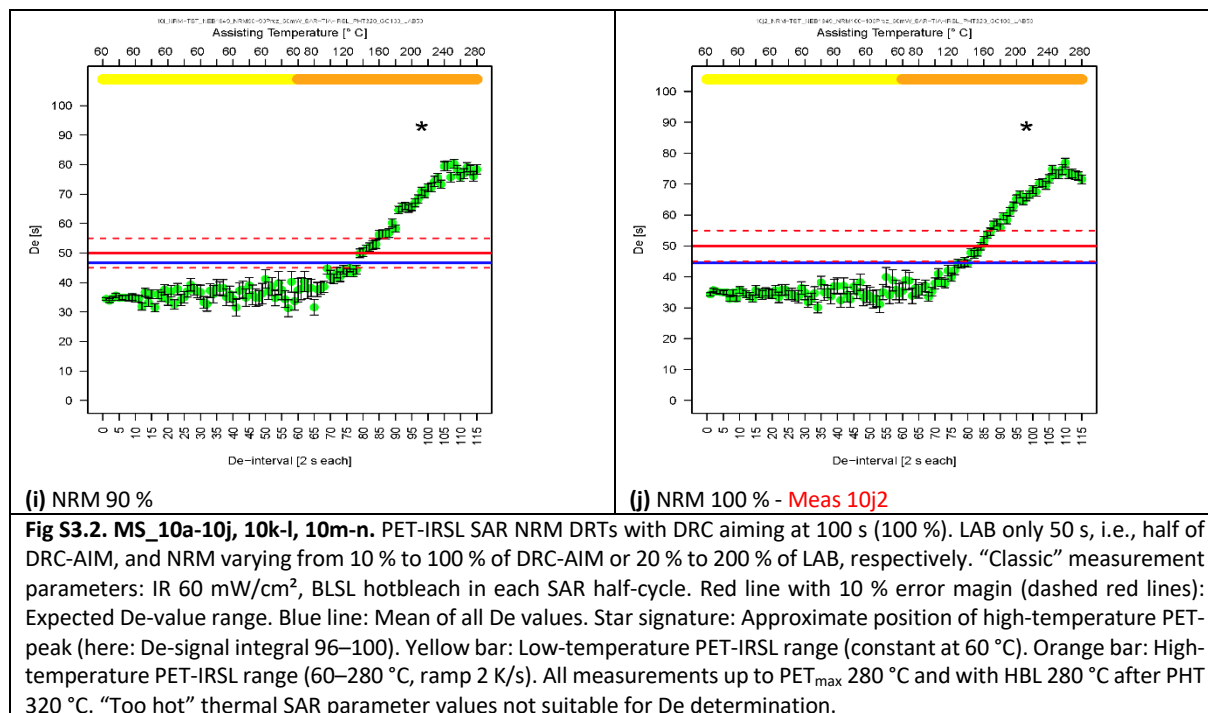




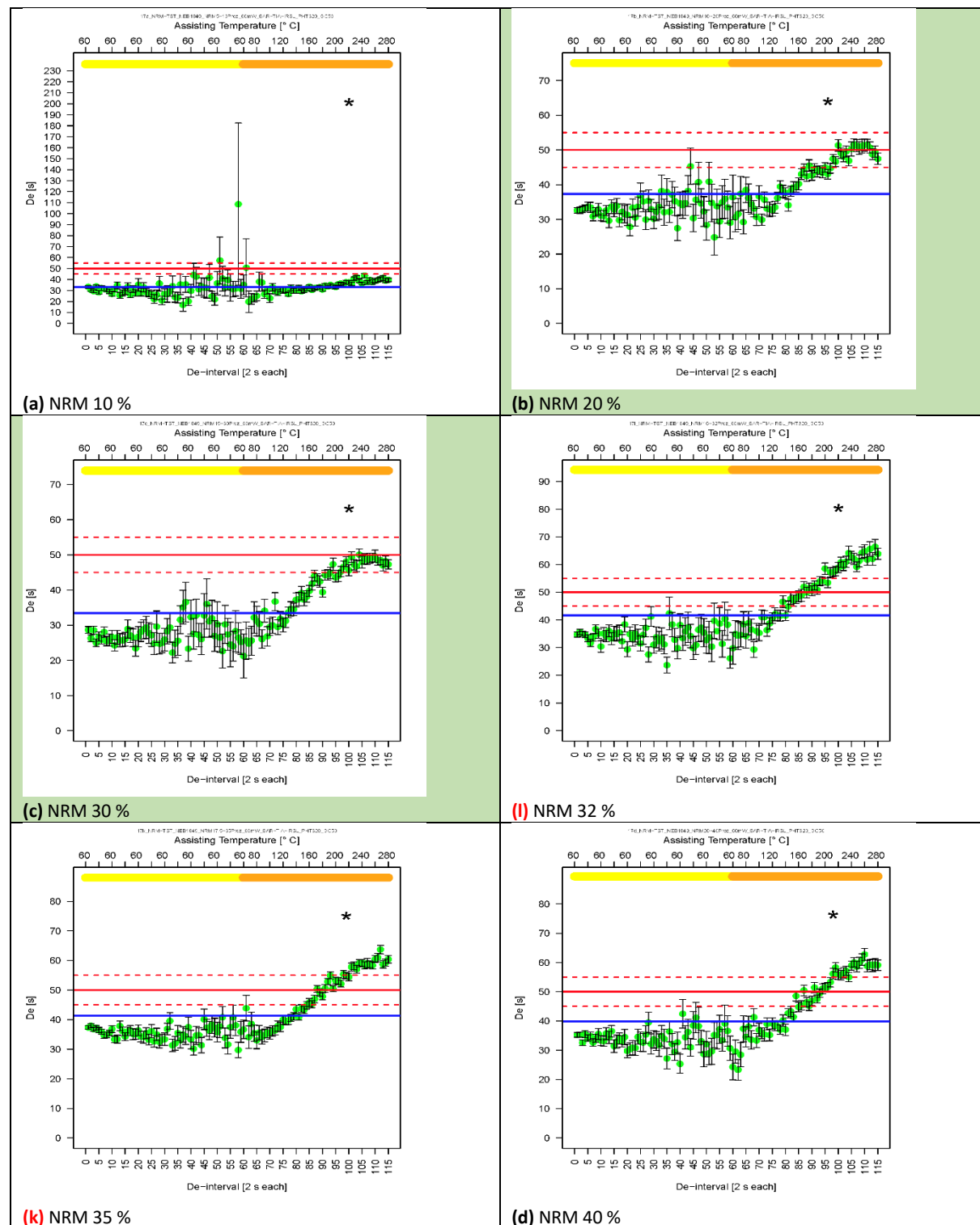
S3.2. DRC 100 s – LAB 50 s (10k–10n + 10a–10j2)

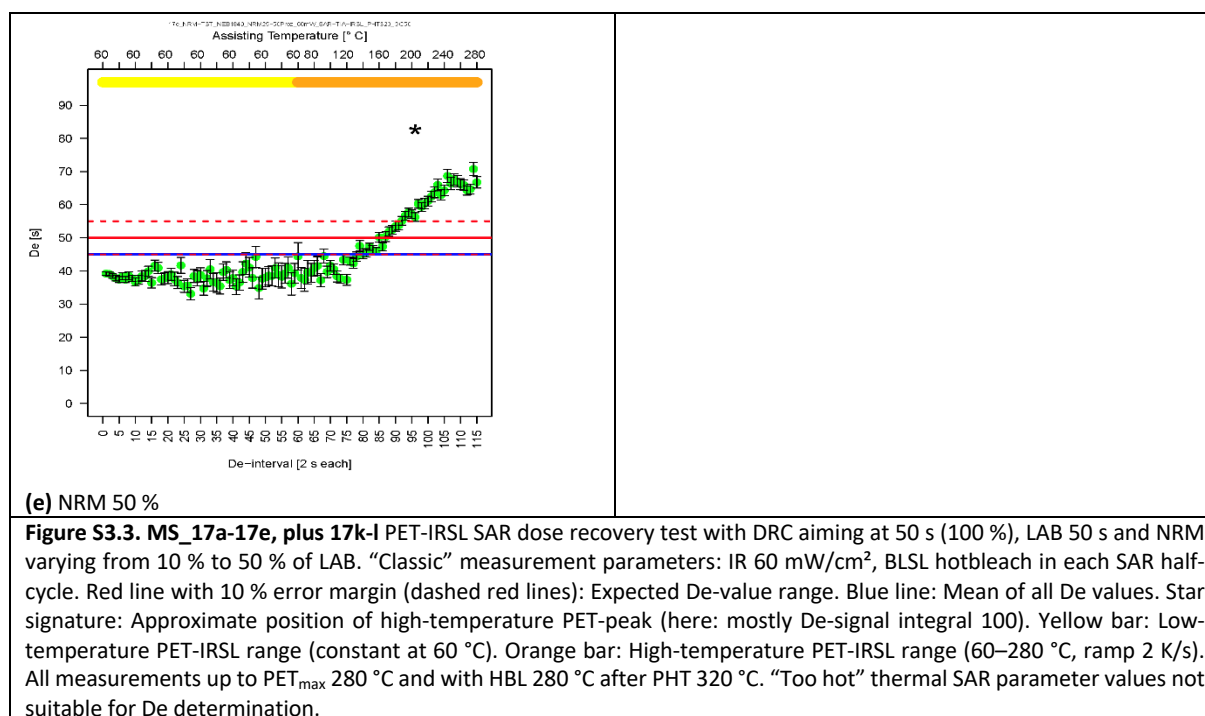




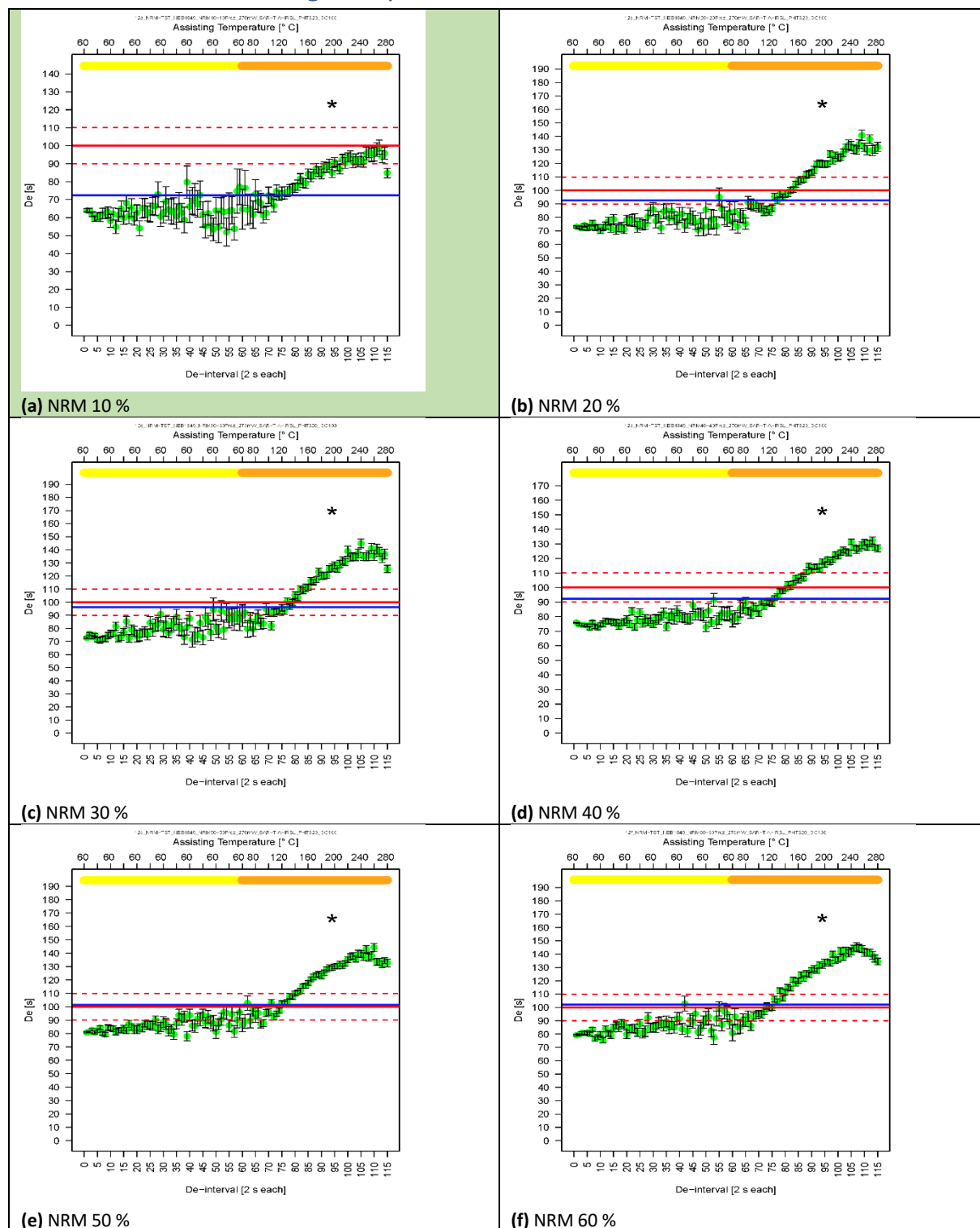


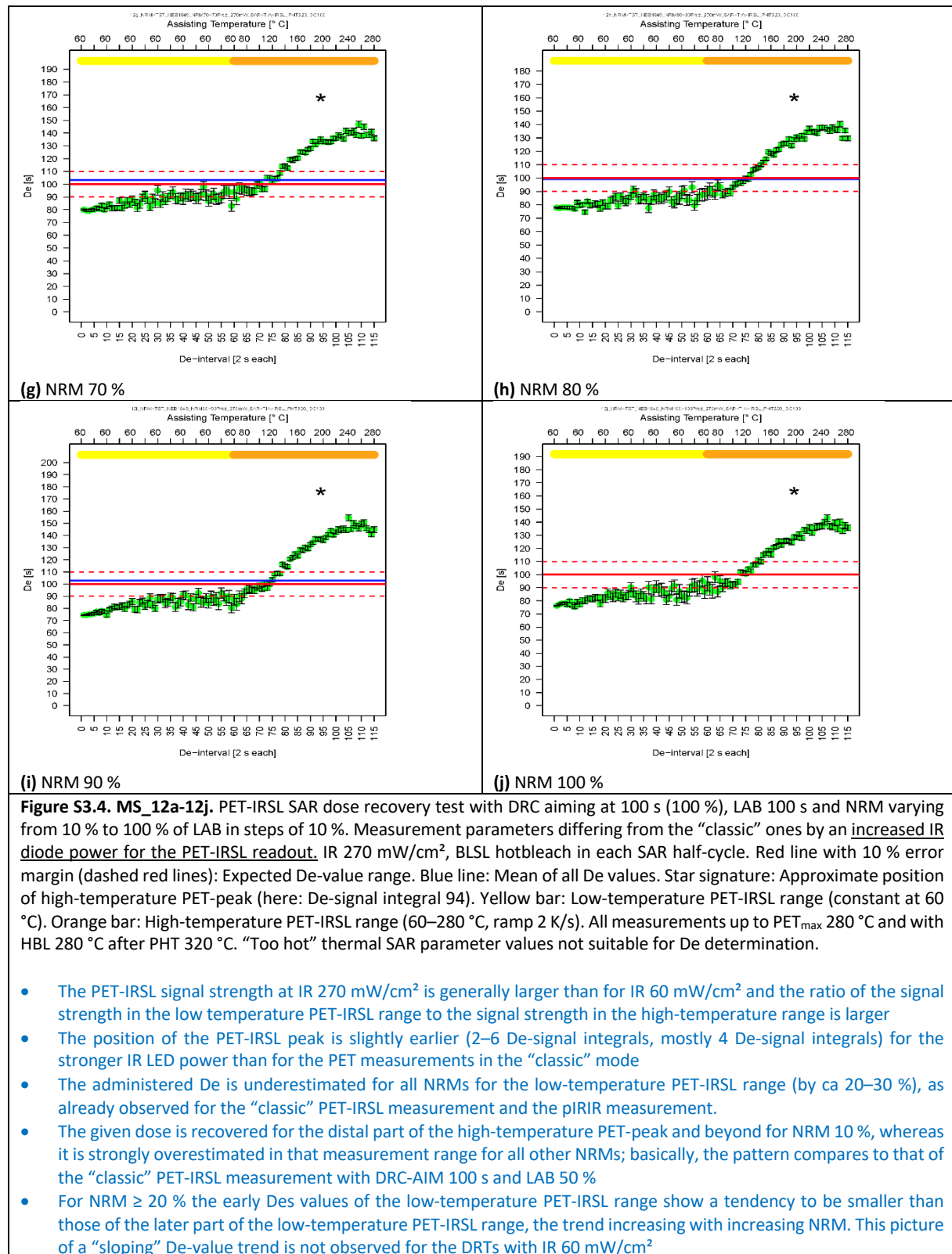
S3.3. NRM DRTs NEB-1849 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – BLSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 50 s – LAB 50 s – NRM 10–50 % of LAB, plus 32 % and 35 % of LAB





S3.4. NRM DRTs NEB-1849 – PET-IRSL with increased IR diode power – IR 270 mW/cm² – “usual” BLSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 100 s – LAB 100 s – NRM 10–100 % of LAB increasing in steps of 10 %.





S3.5. NRM DRTs NEB-1849 – PET with increased IR diode power and IR hotbleach – IR 270 mW/cm² – IRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 100 s – LAB 100 s – NRM 10–50 % of LAB increasing in steps of 10 % and NRM 100 %.

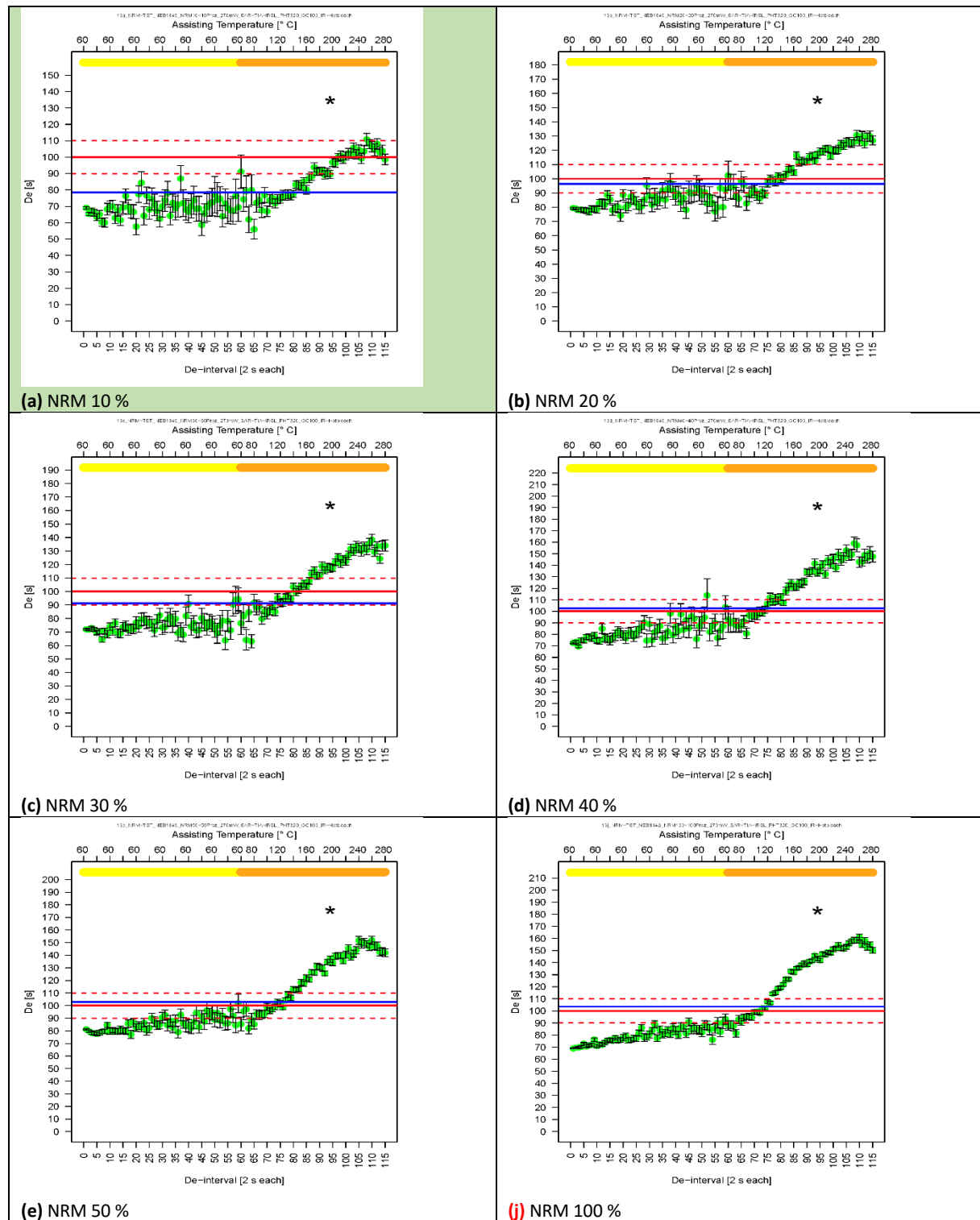


Figure S3.5. MS_13a-13e, 13j. PET-IRSL SAR dose recovery test with DRC aiming at 100 s (100 %), LAB 100 s and NRM varying from 10 % to 50 % of LAB in steps of 10 %, and NRM 100 %. Measurement parameters differing from the “classic” one by an increased IR diode power for the PET-IRSL readout and IRSL hotbleach (instead of BLSL hotbleach): IR 270 mW/cm², IRSL hotbleach in each SAR half-cycle. Red line with 10 % error margin (dashed red lines): Expected De-value range. Blue line: Mean of all De values. Star signature: Approximate position of high-temperature PET-peak (here: De-signal integral 94). Yellow bar: Low-temperature PET-IRSL range (constant at 60 °C). Orange bar: High-temperature PET-IRSL range (60–280 °C, ramp 2 K/s). All measurements up to PET_{max} 280 °C and with HBL 280 °C after PHT 320 °C. “Too hot” thermal SAR parameter values not suitable for De determination.

- The results are similar to those of the measurements with LED power 270 mW/cm² and a BLSL hotbleach: Same earlier position of the PET-IRSL peak, underestimation of the given dose in the low temperature PET-IRSL range, correctly recovered De for the distal part of the PET-peak and beyond for NRM 10 %, here, however, towards the upper end of the 10 % error margin whereas towards the lower end of the 10 % error margin for LED power 270 mW/cm² with a BLSL hotbleach. The slight differences may yet be due to inter-aliquot variation.

S3.6. Investigating further variations of hotbleaches / omitting hotbleaches

S3.6.1. NRM DRTs NEB-1849 – PET with “usual” IR diode power and BLSL hotbleach – IR 60 mW/cm² – BLSL hotbleach only after a complete SAR cycle – LAB 100 s – NRM 10–50 % of LAB increasing in steps of 10 % and NRM 100 %.

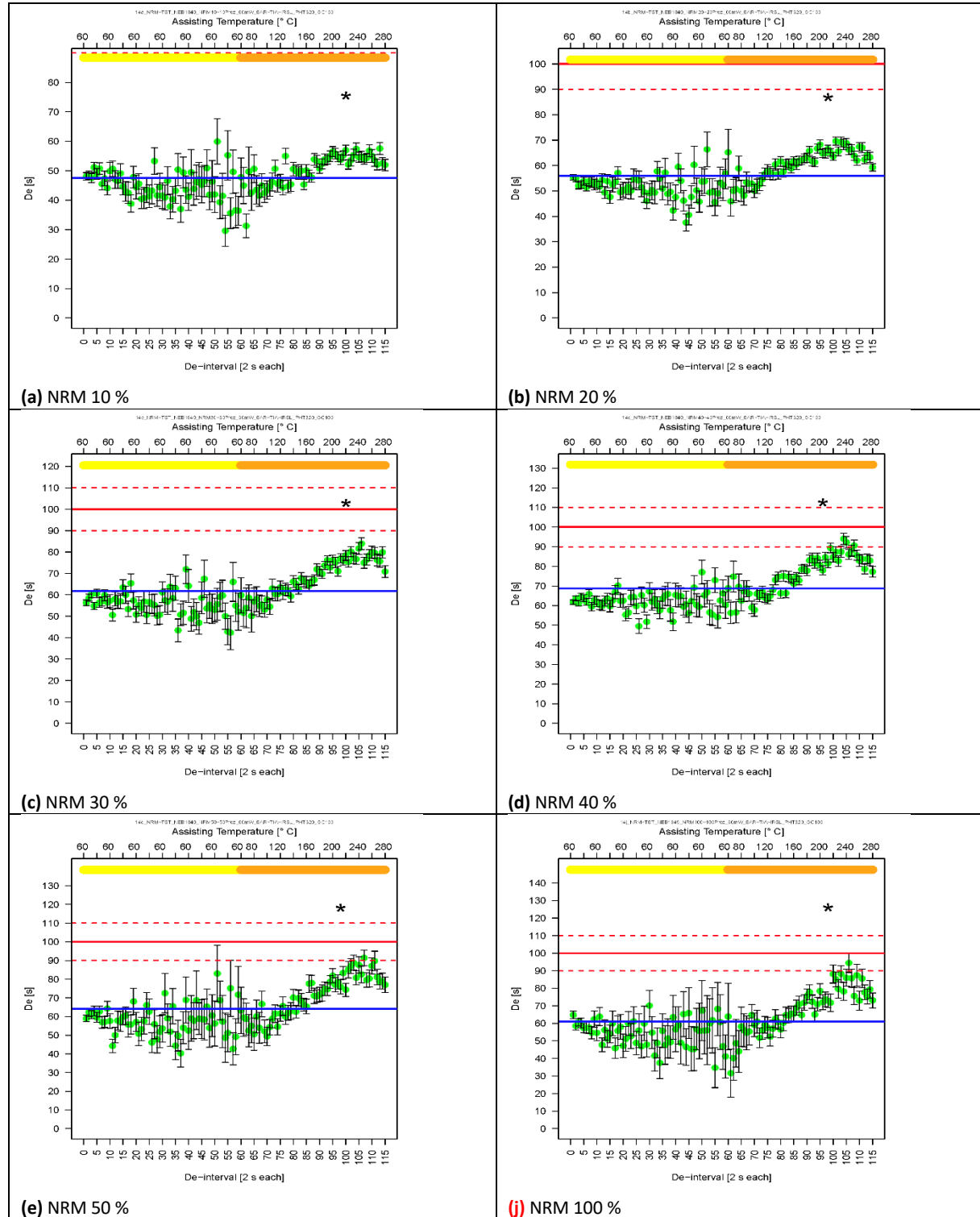
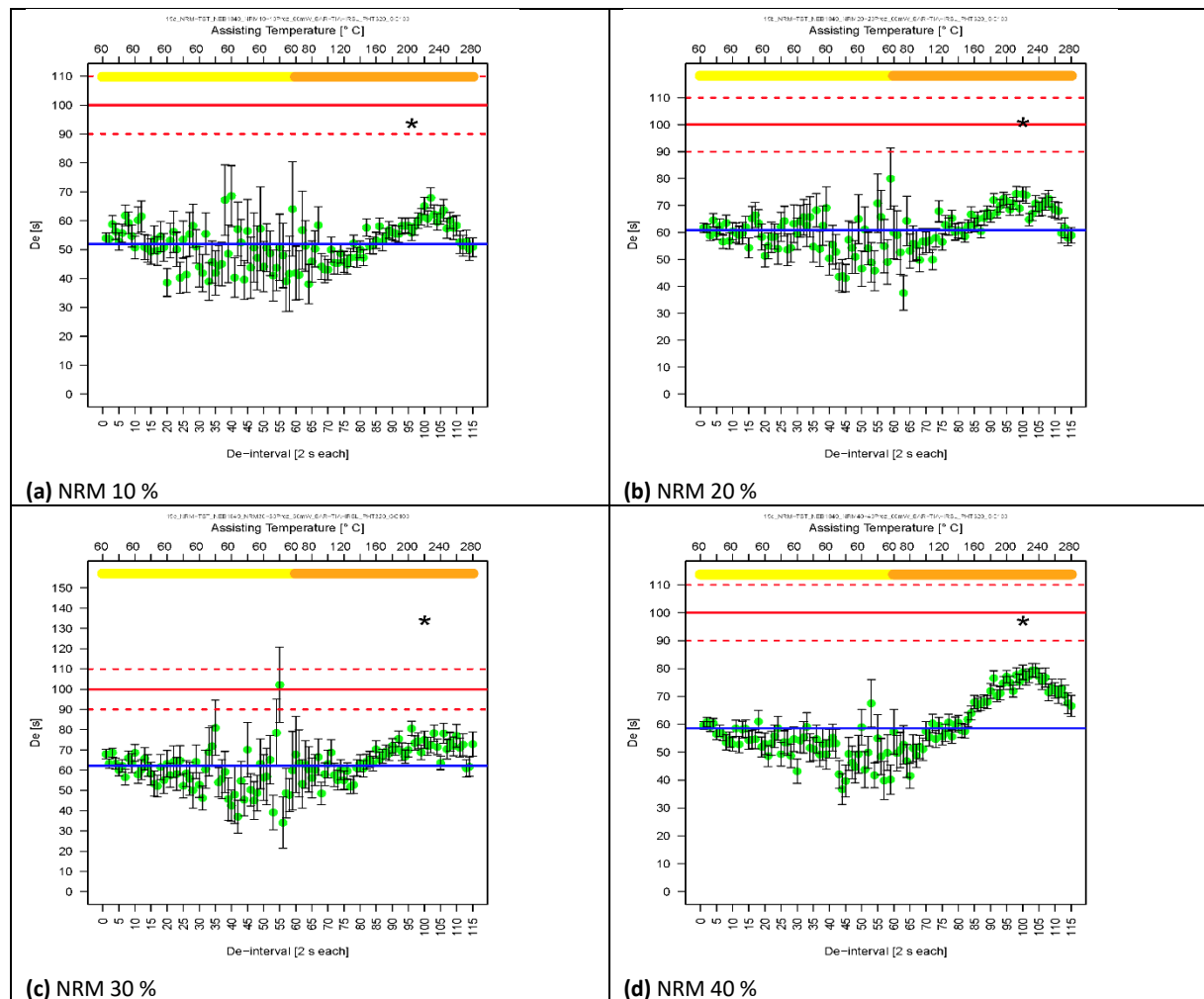


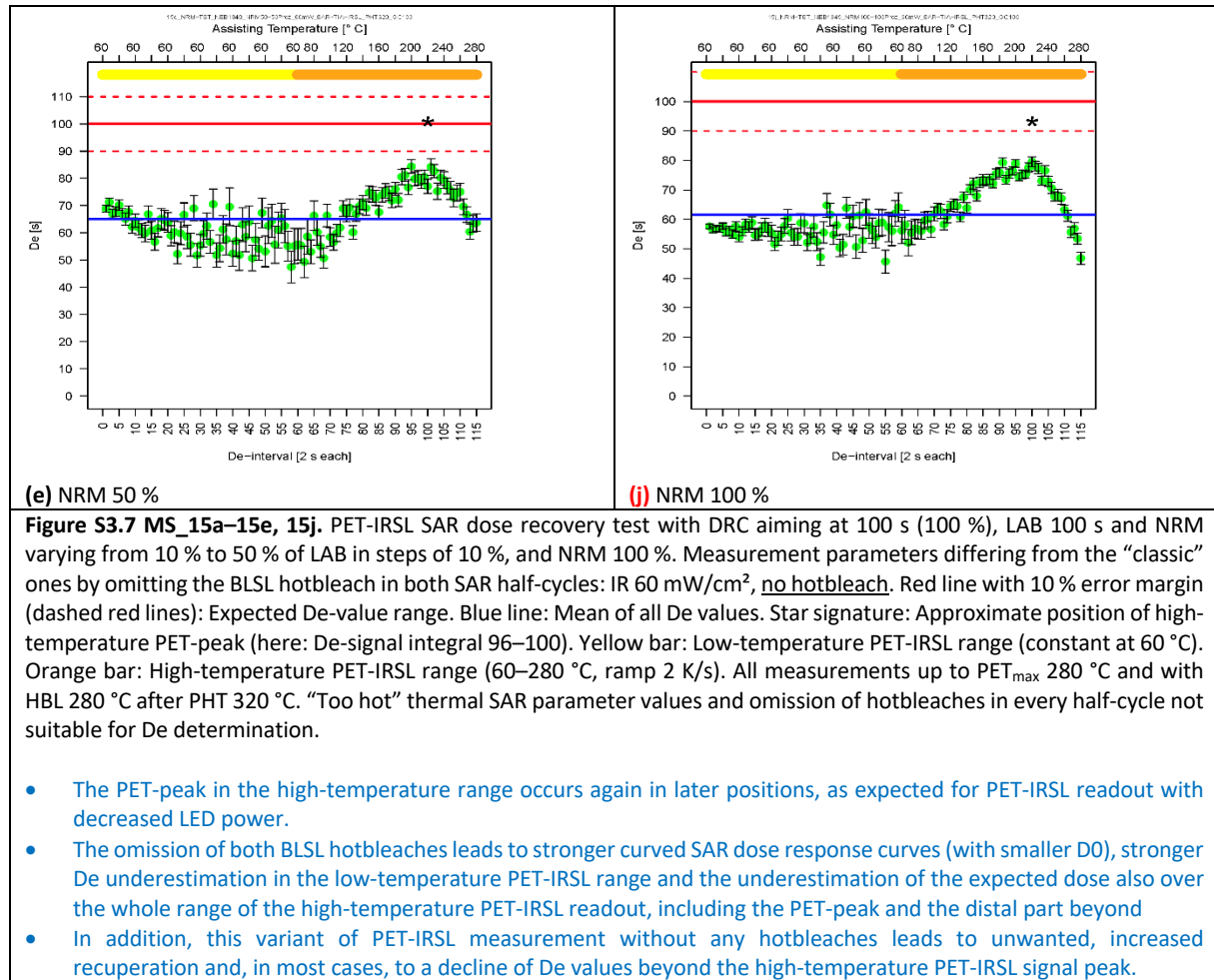
Figure S3.6. MS_14a–14e, 14j. PET-IRSL SAR dose recovery test with DRC aiming at 100 s (100 %), LAB 100 s and NRM varying from 10 % to 50 % of LAB in steps of 10 %, and NRM 100 %. Measurement parameters differing from the “classic” ones by omitting the BLSL hotbleach in the first SAR half-cycle: IR 60 mW/cm², BLSL hotbleach only after each completed SAR cycle. Red line with 10 % error margin (dashed red lines): Expected De-value range. Blue line: Mean of all De values.

Star signature: Approximate position of high-temperature PET-peak (here: De-signal integral 96–100). Yellow bar: Low-temperature PET-IRSL range (constant at 60 °C). Orange bar: High-temperature PET-IRSL range (60–280 °C, ramp 2 K/s). All measurements up to PET_{max} 280 °C and with HBL 280 °C after PHT 320 °C. “Too hot” thermal SAR parameter values and omission of hotbleaches in every second half-cycle not suitable for De determination.

- The PET-peak in the hot temperature range occurs again in later positions, as expected for PET-IRSL readout with decreased LED power.
- The omission of the hotbleach in the first SAR half-cycle leads to stronger curved SAR dose response curves (with smaller D0), stronger De underestimation in the low-temperature PET-IRSL range and the underestimation of the expected dose also over the whole range of the high-temperature PET-IRSL readout, including the PET-peak and the distal part beyond.

S3.6.2. NRM DRTs NEB-1849 – PET with “usual” IR diode power but no hotbleach – IR 60 mW/cm² – LAB 100 s – NRM 10–50 % of LAB increasing in steps of 10 % and NRM 100 %.





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S3.8. NRM DRTs on NEB-1849 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – BLSL hotbleach at 280 °C every SAR half-cycle – DRC 100 s – LAB 100 s – NRM 10–50 % of LAB and 100 % of LAB – PHT only 60 s at 200 °C (cf. Buckland et al. 2019) and PET-IRSL readout up to 170 °C (therefore no PET-peak)

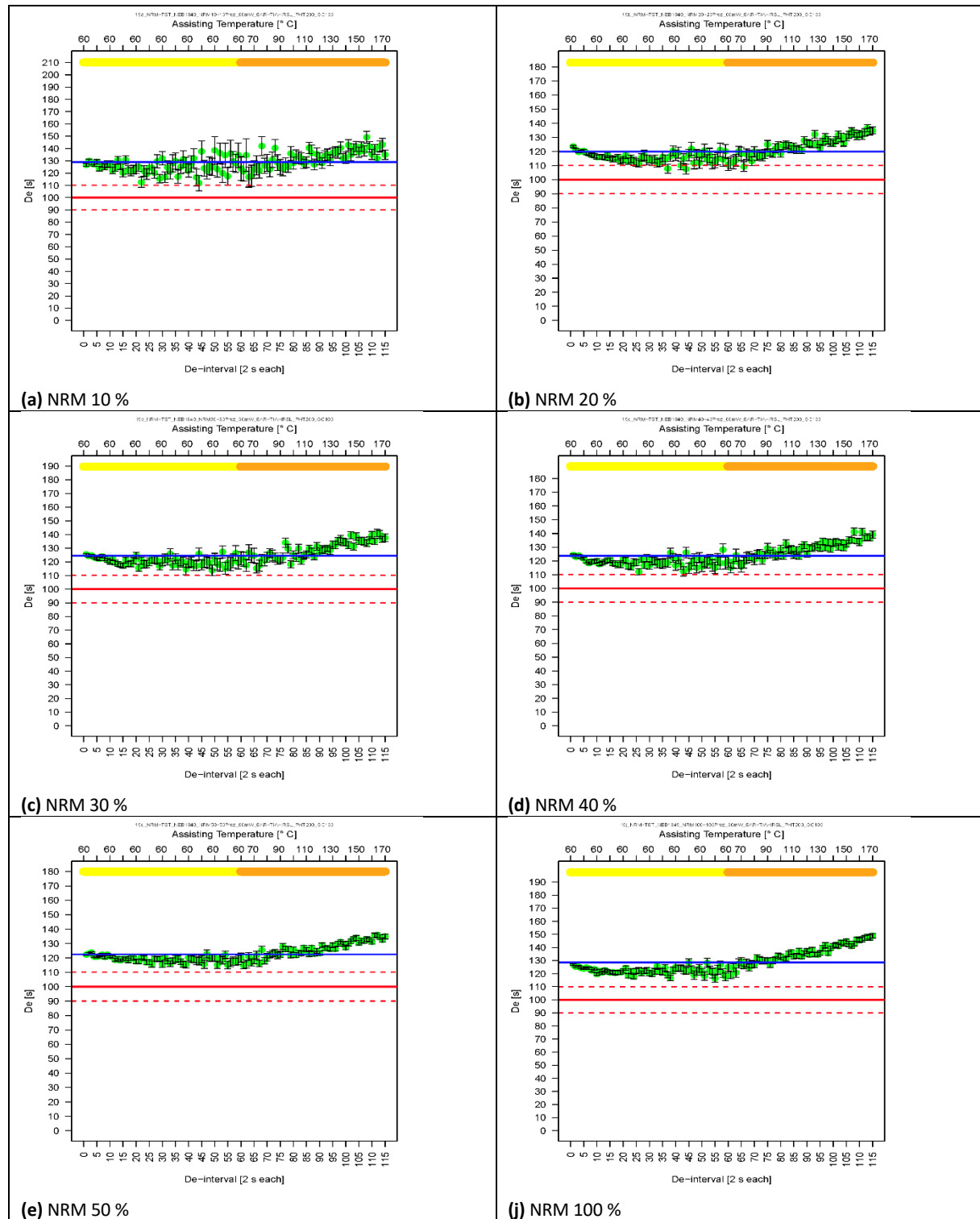
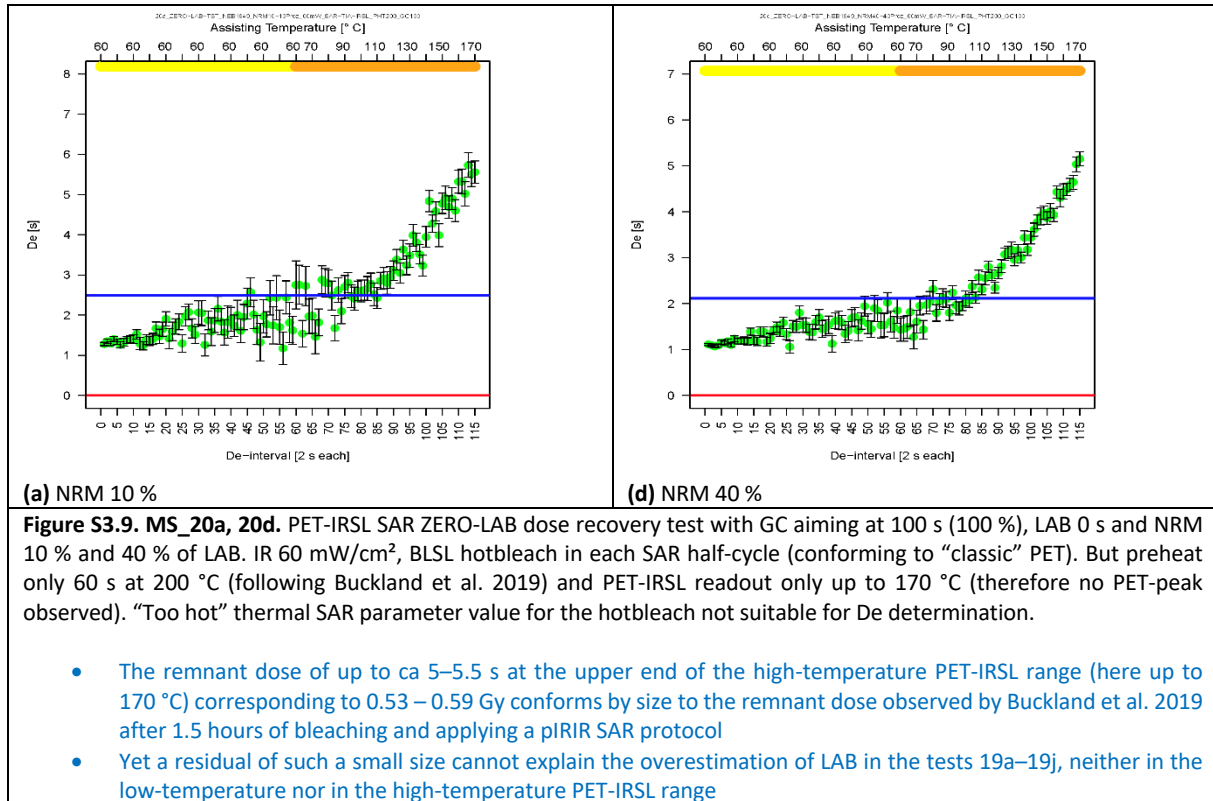


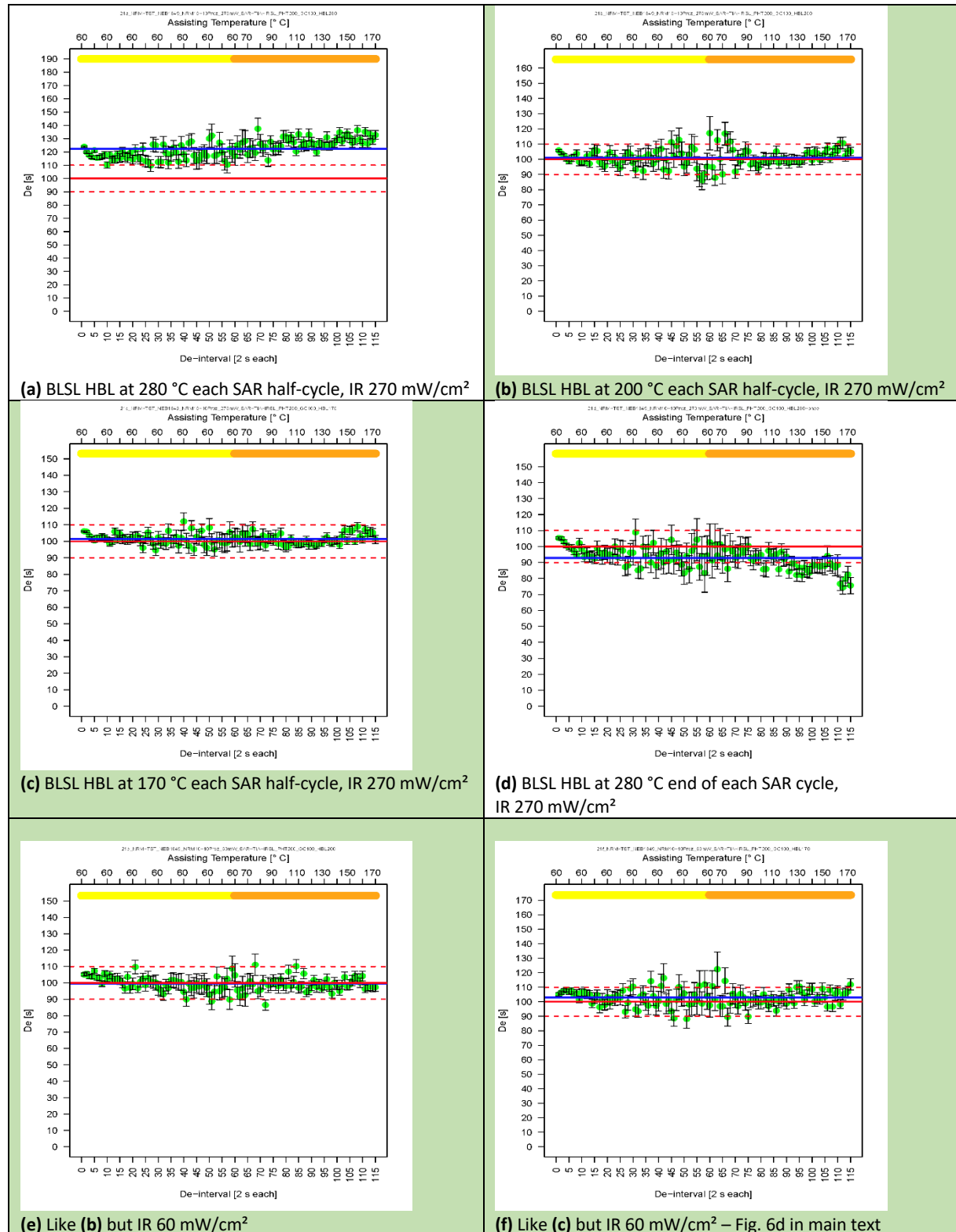
Figure S3.8. MS_19a – 19e, 19j. PET-IRSL SAR dose recovery test with DRC aiming at 100 s (100 %), LAB 100 s and NRM increasing 10– 50 % of LAB in steps of 10 %, and 100 % of LAB. IR 60 mW/cm², BLSL hotbleach in each SAR half-cycle (conforming to “classic” PET). But preheat only 60 s at 200 °C (following Buckland et al., 2019) and PET-IRSL readout only up to 170 °C (therefore no PET-peak observed). Please note that the PHT is at 280 °C as suggested by Buckland et al. (2019). “Too hot” SAR parameter value for the hotbleach not suitable for De determination.

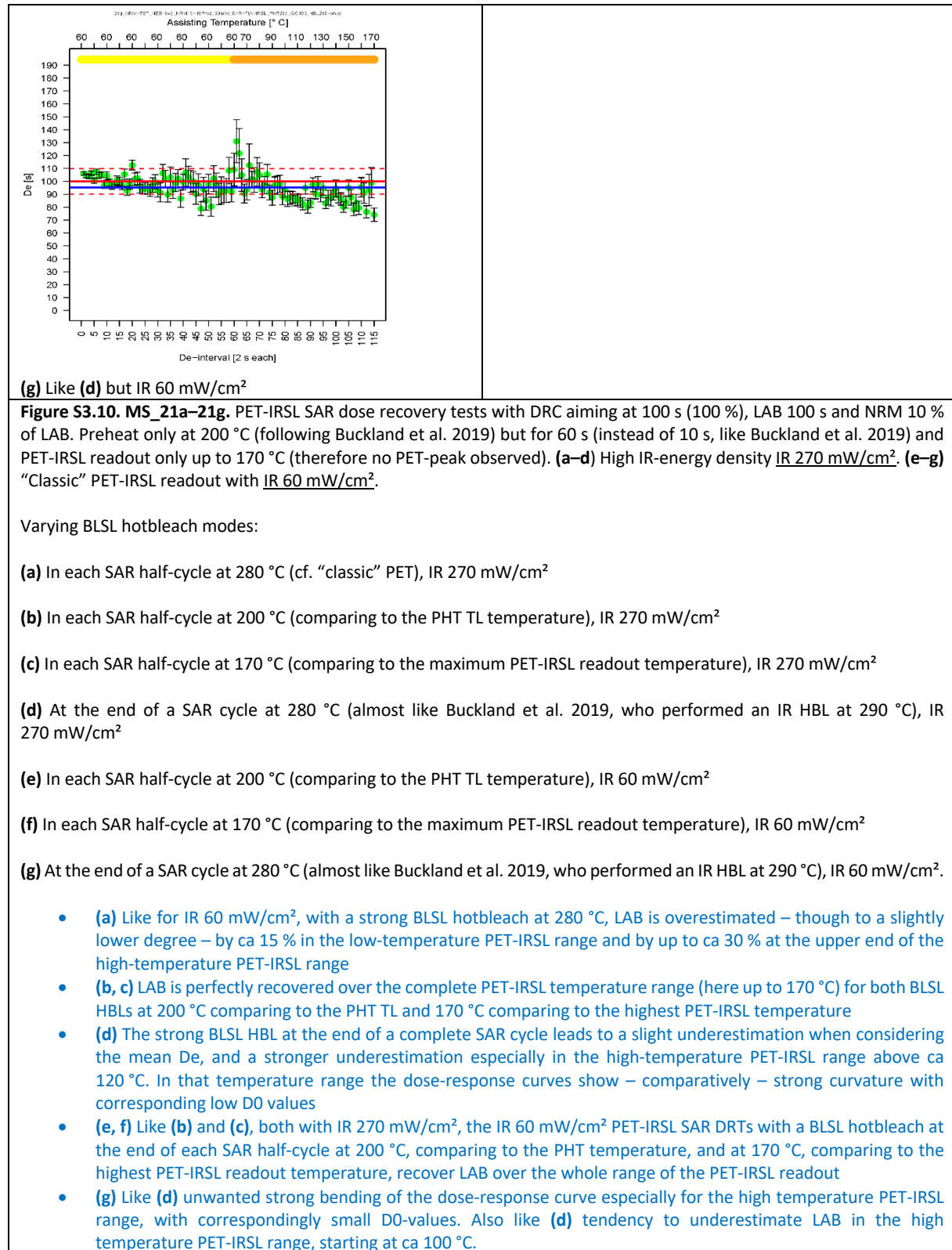
- LAB is overestimated by ca 20 % in the low-temperature PET-IRSL range and by up to 40 % at the upper end of the high-temperature PET-IRSL range
- Next step: ZERO-LAB DRT with NRM 10 % and NRM 40 % to investigate whether unbleachable remnant dose may explain the overestimation and may possibly be subtracted

S3.9. ZERO-LAB-DRTs on NEB-1849 – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – BLSL hotbleach at 280 °C every SAR half-cycle – GC 100 s – LAB 0 s – NRM 10 % and 40 % of LAB – PHT only 60 s at 200 °C (cf. Buckland et al. 2019) and PET-IRSL readout up to 170 °C (therefore no PET-peak)



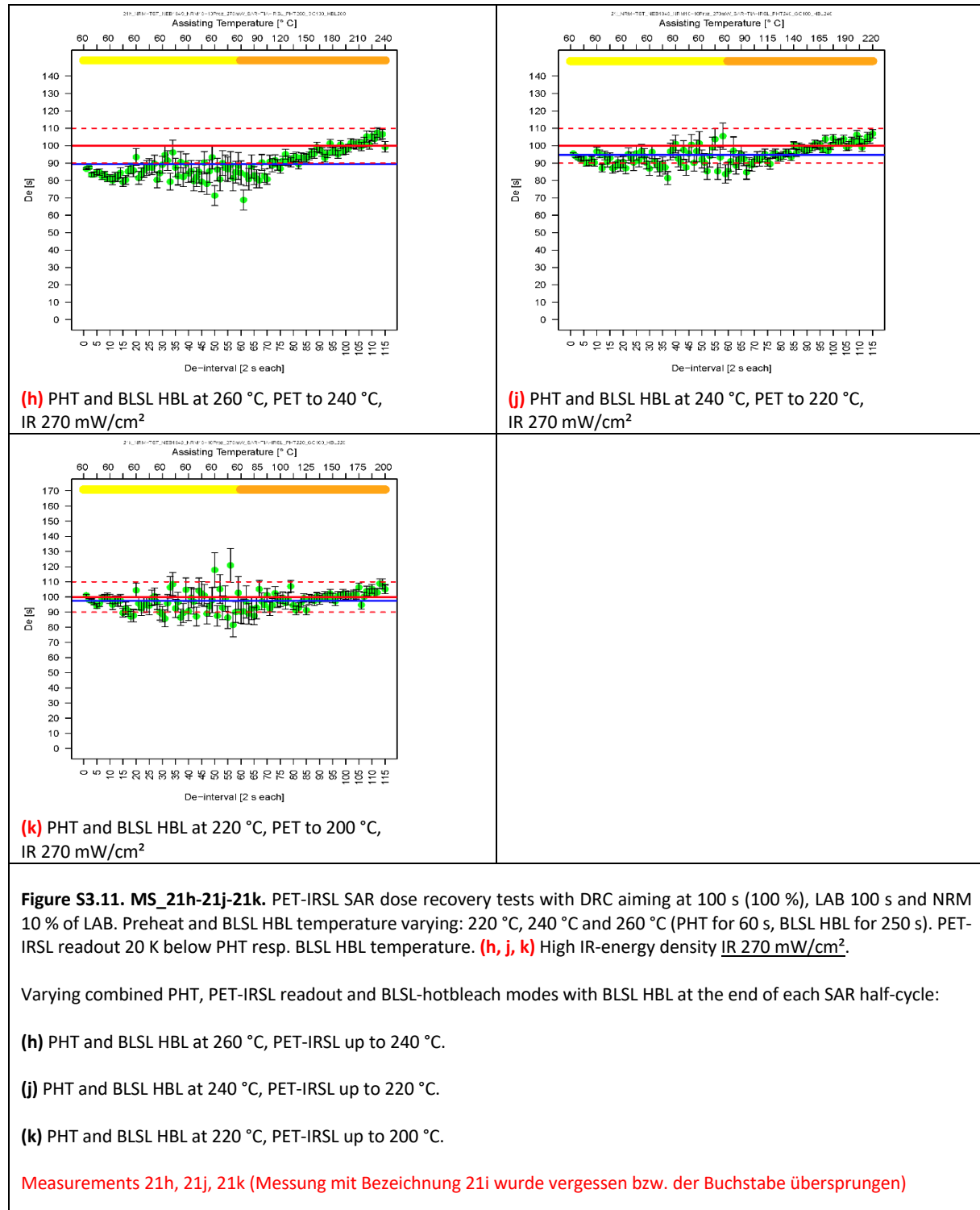
S3.10. DRTs on NEB-1849 – GC 100 s – LAB 100 s NRM 10 % of GC/LAB – PET “classic” with IR 60 mW/cm² and PET with increased IR power of 270 mW/cm² – BLSL hotbleach at varying temperatures every SAR half-cycle – PHT 60 s at only 200 °C (cf. Buckland et al. 2019) and PET-IRSL readout up to 170 °C (therefore no PET-peak) – BLSL HBL either at 280 °C (cf. Buckland et al. 2019), 200 °C (like PHT) or 170 °C (maximum PET-IRSL readout temperature)





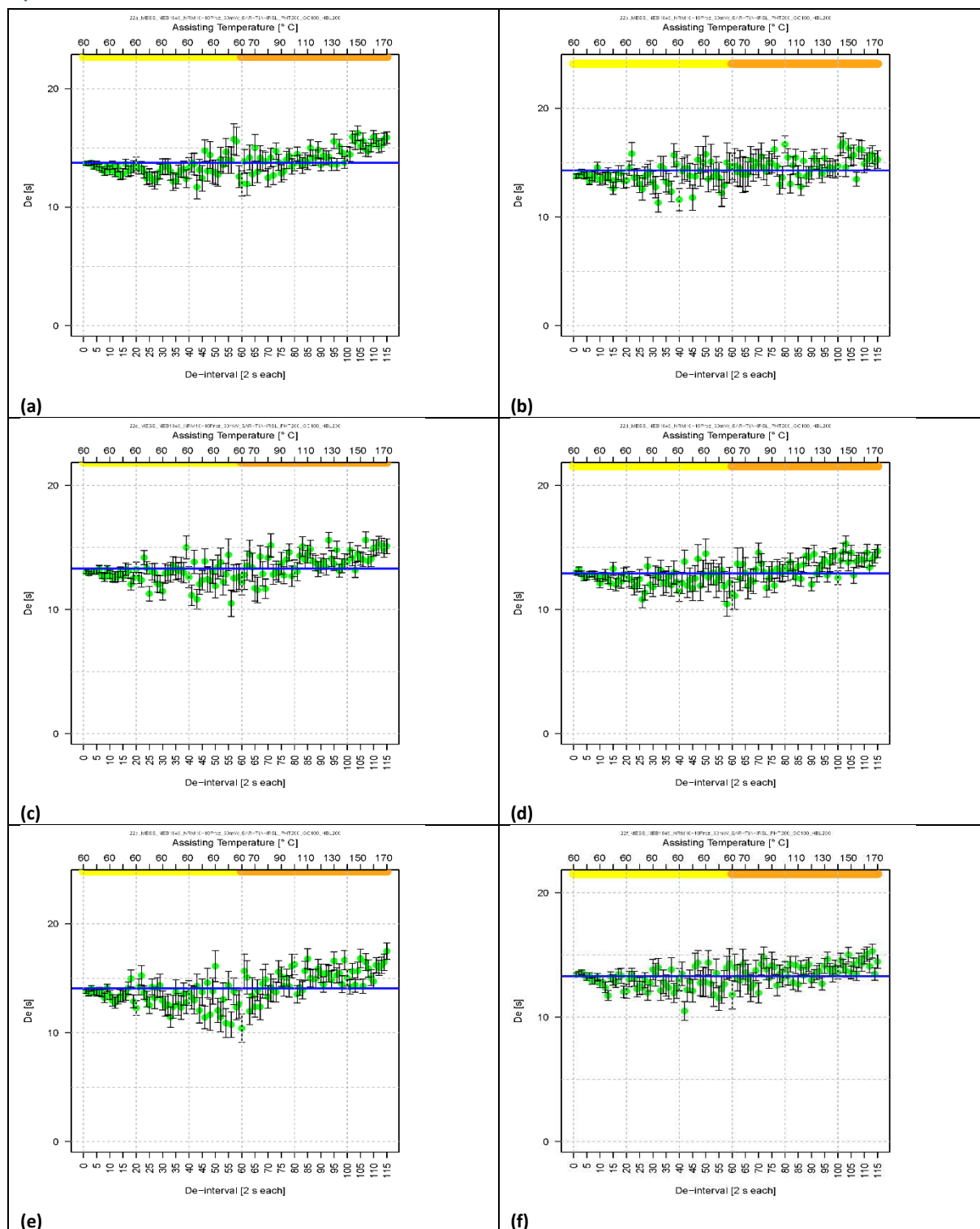
S3.11. DRTs on NEB-1849 – PET with increased IR power – varying PHT/HBL temperatures and corresponding maximum PET temperatures – IR 270 mW/cm² – BLSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 100 s – LAB 100 s – NRM 10 % of LAB. PHT and BLSL HBL temperature 260 °C, 240 °C and 220 °C, PET IRSL readout temperature in each case 20 K lower.

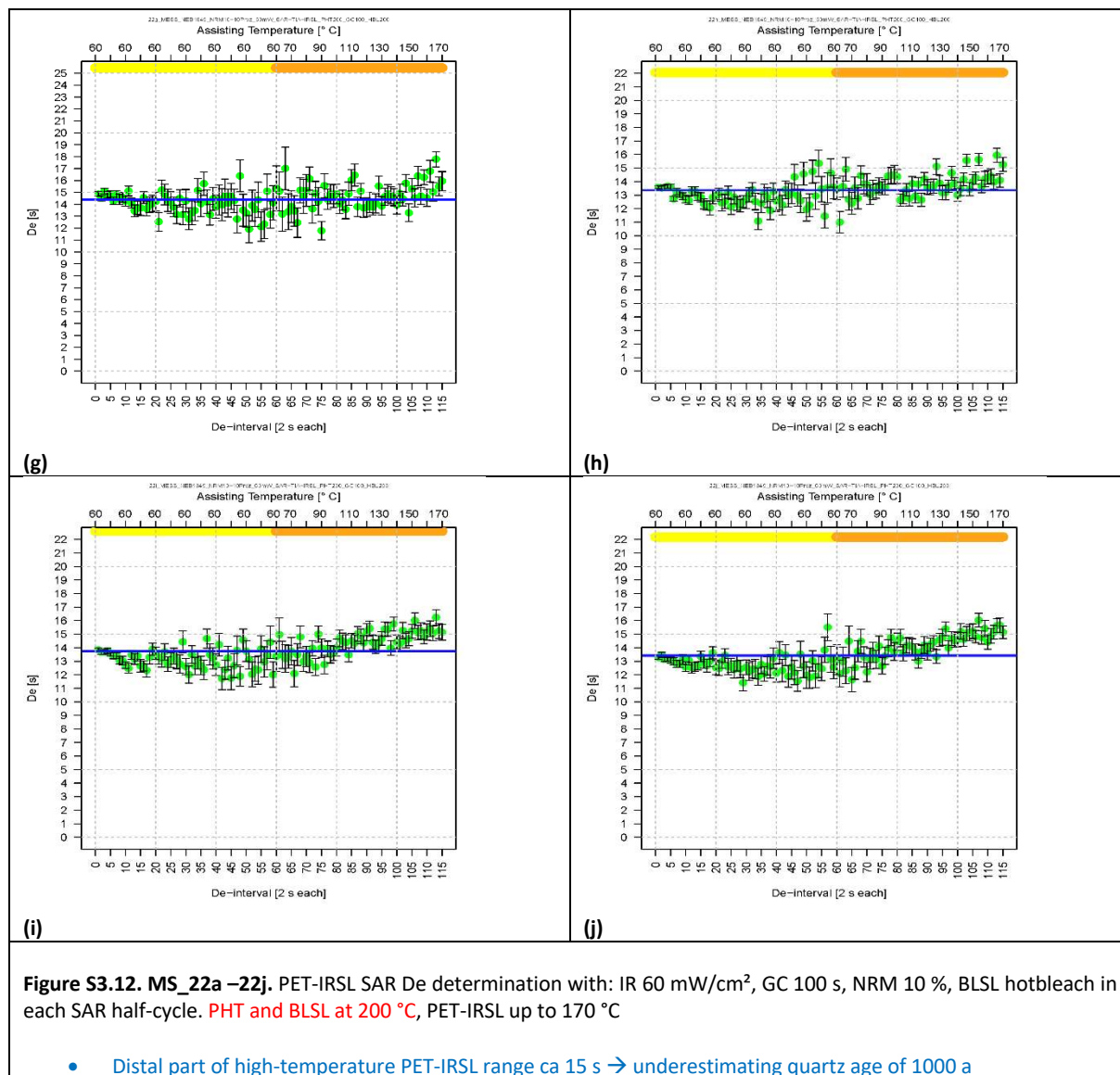
S3.11.1. Testing whether the PHT temperature may possibly be increased



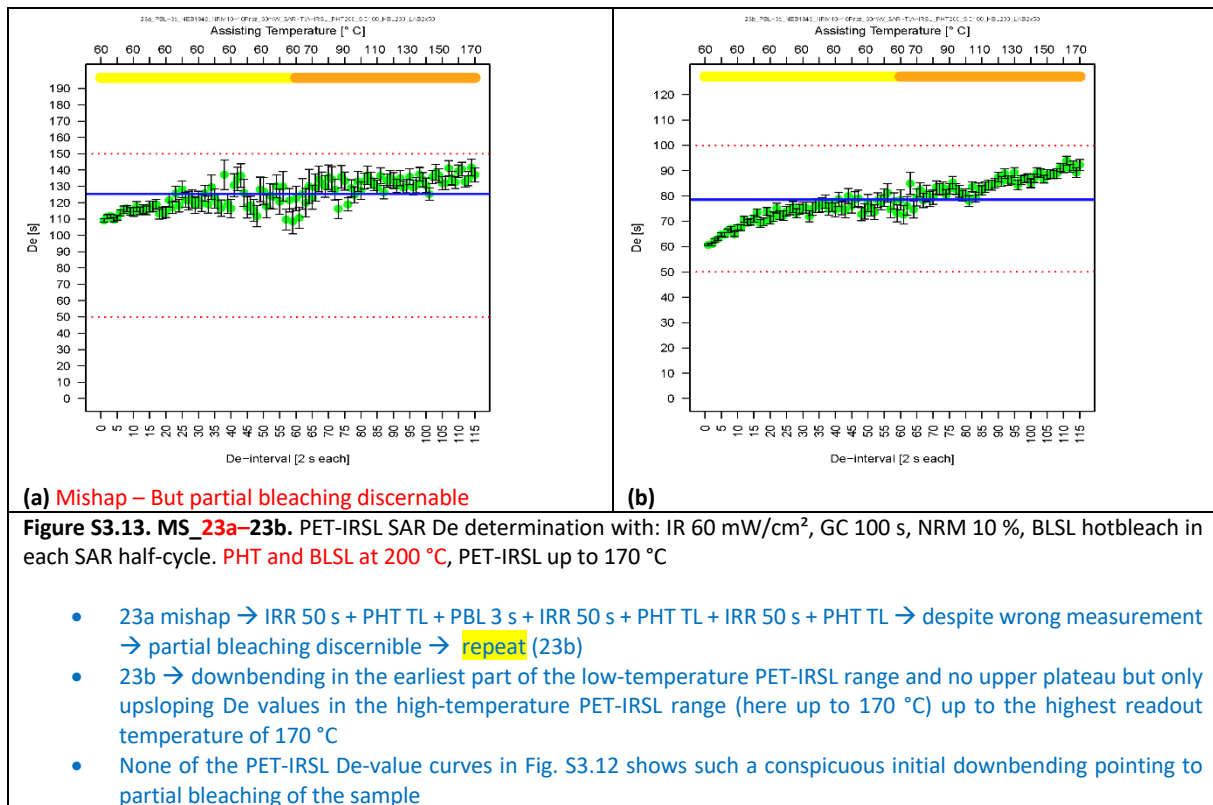
- **(h)** Slight underestimation of LAB in the low-temperature PET-IRSL range; De values within 10 % error margin of expected De, but increasing from the lower 10 % margin to the upper 10 % margin. PET-peak position already at channel 90/or rather not really identifiable?
- **(j)** Still slight underestimation of LAB in the low-temperature PET-IRSL range, though slightly less than **(a)**; De values within 10 % error margin of expected De, but increasing from the lower 10 margin to the upper 10 % margin, similar **(a)**. PET-peak position already at channel 90/or rather not really identifiable?
- **(k)** De values both in the-low temperature and in the high-temperature PET-IRSL range are well recovered, though in the latter still with a slight slope/trend of increasing values towards the highest PET-IRSL readout temperature (here 200 °C)
- Not worth doing repeat measurements at IR 60 mW/cm²
- We go back to 20b, c and 20e, f which delivered perfectly recovered Des – though with a lower PHT temperature which might involve stronger fading

S3.12. De determination on NEB-1849 – PET-IRSL – IR 60 mW/cm² – BLSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 100 s – NRM 10 % – PHT and BLSL HBL at 200 °C – PET-IRSL up to 170 °C

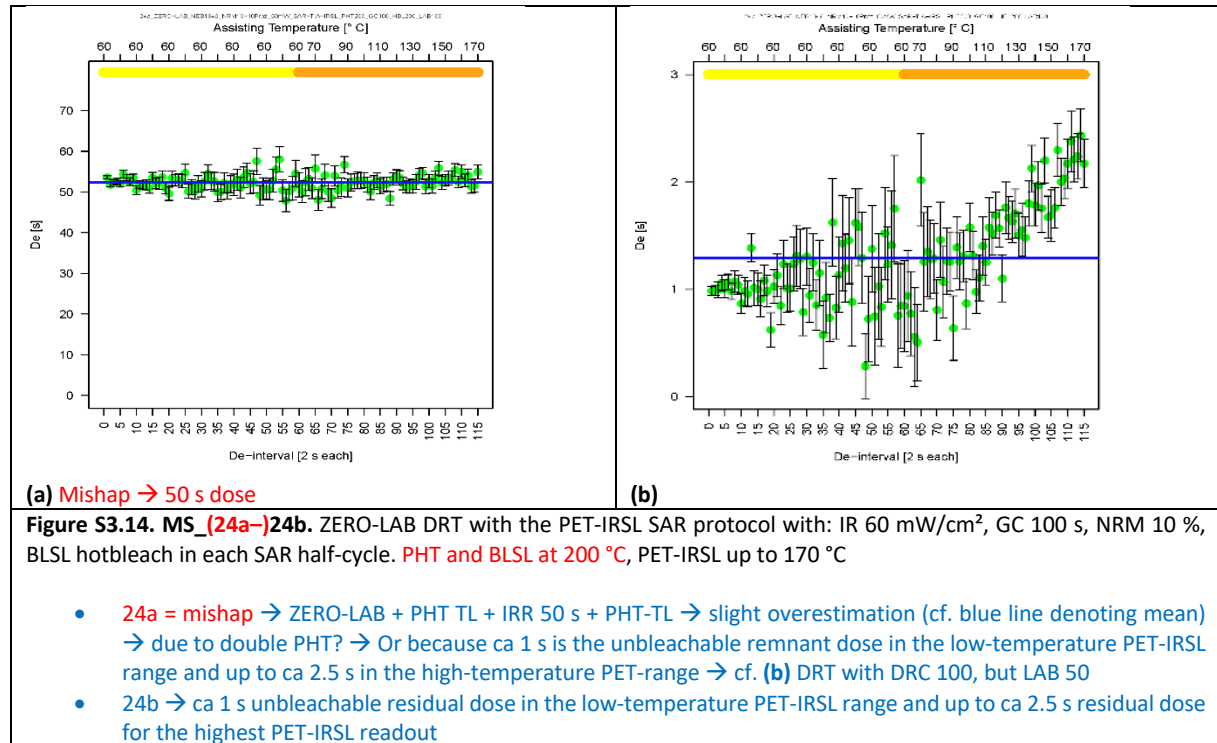




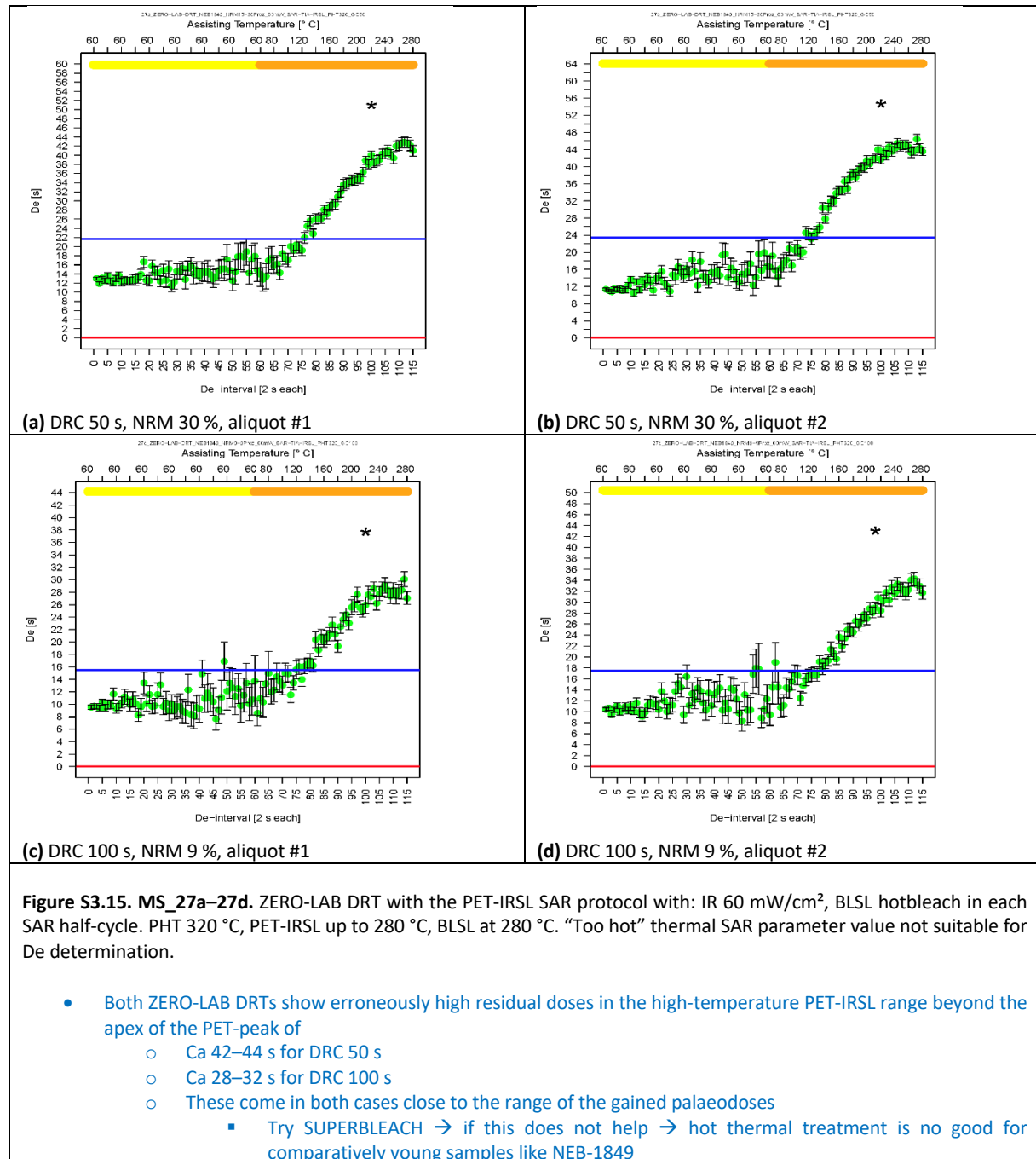
S3.13. PBL DRT on NEB-1849 – PET-IRSL – IR 60 mW/cm² – BLSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – GC 100 s – NRM 10 % – PHT and BLSL HBL at 200 °C – PET-IRSL up to 170 °C – PBL 3s



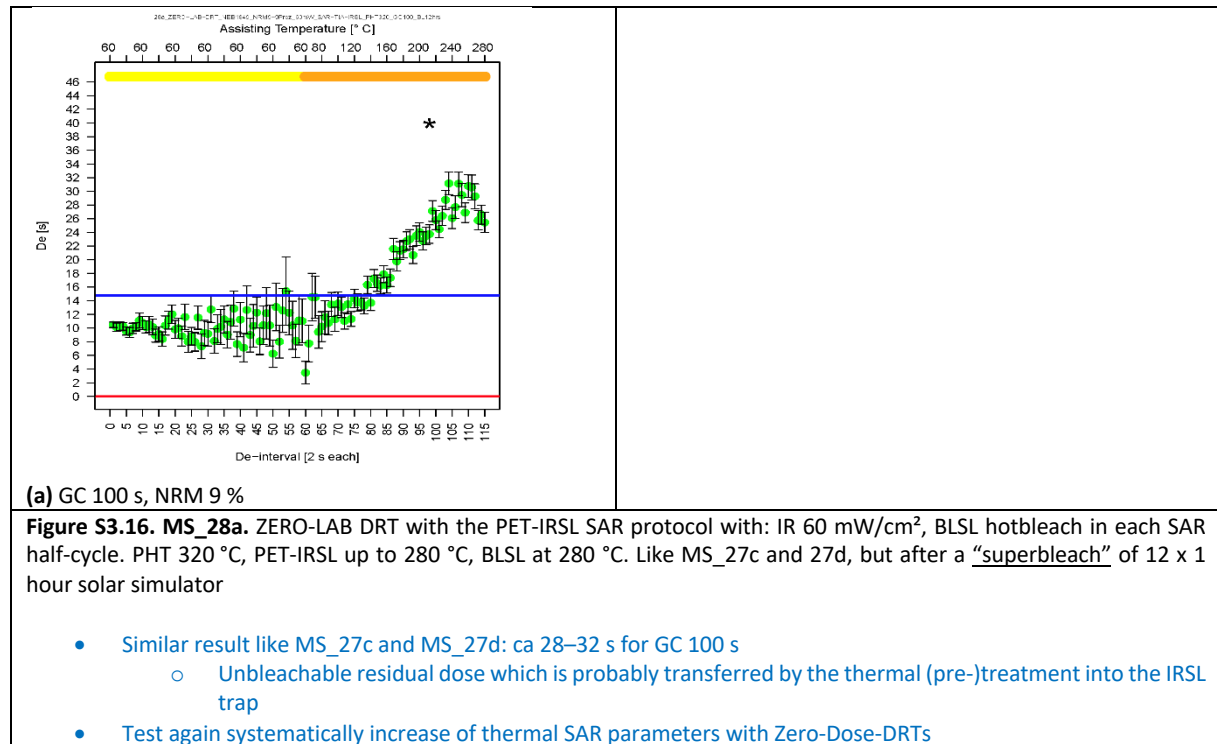
S3.14. ZERO-LAB DRT on NEB-1849 – PET-IRSL – IR 60 mW/cm² – BLSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 100 s – NRM 10 % – PHT and BLSL HBL at 200 °C – PET-IRSL up to 170 °C



S3.15. ZERO-LAB DRTS on NEB-1849 – Use GC 100 s – LAB 50 s – NRM 9 % (like 10n) and use GC 50 s – LAB 50 s – NRM 30 % (like 17c)



S3.16. ZERO-LAB DRTs on NEB-1849 – Use DRC 100 s – LAB 50 s – NRM 9 % (like 10n) but do SUPERBLEACH (12 hrs solar simulator) prior to ZERO-LAB DRT

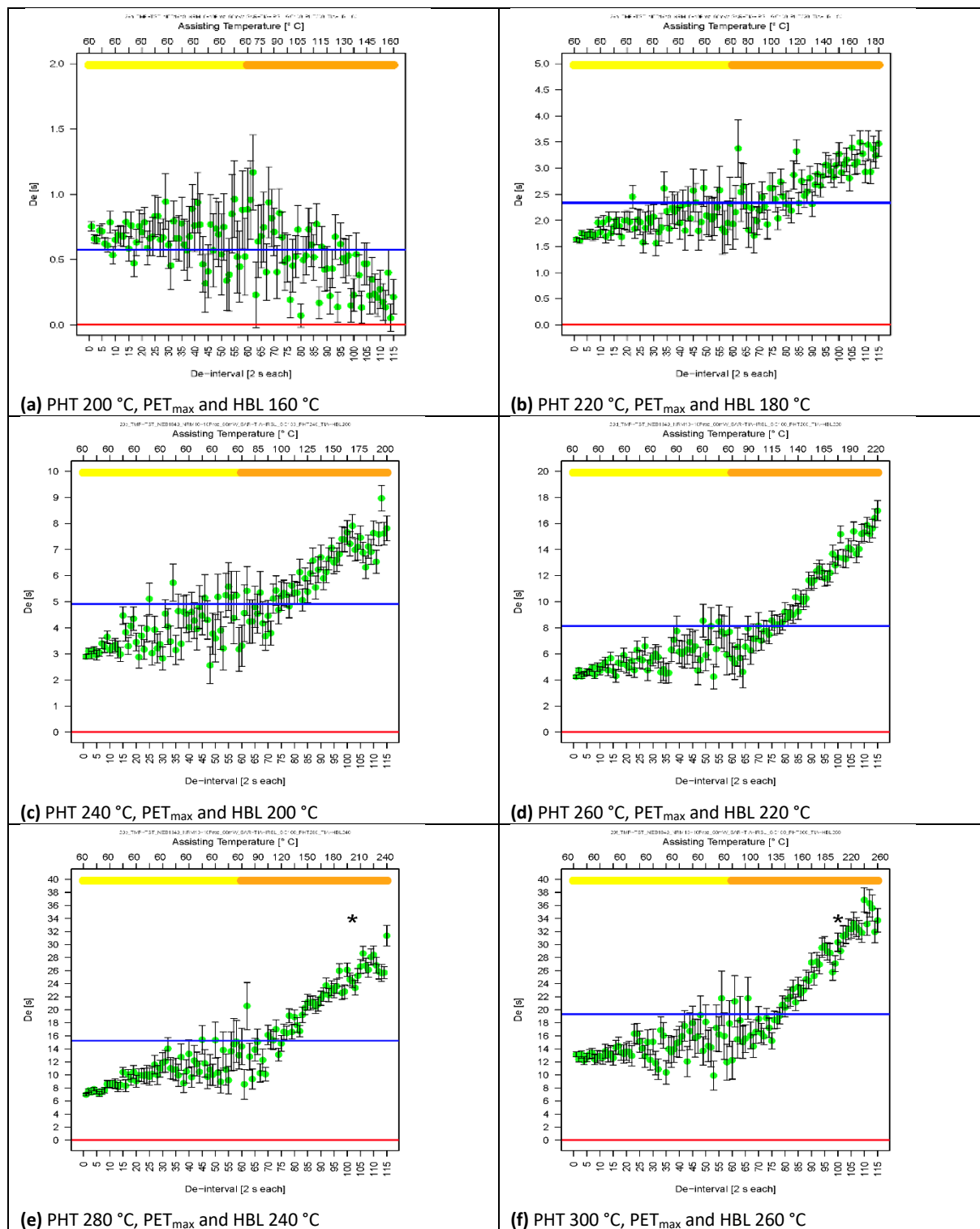


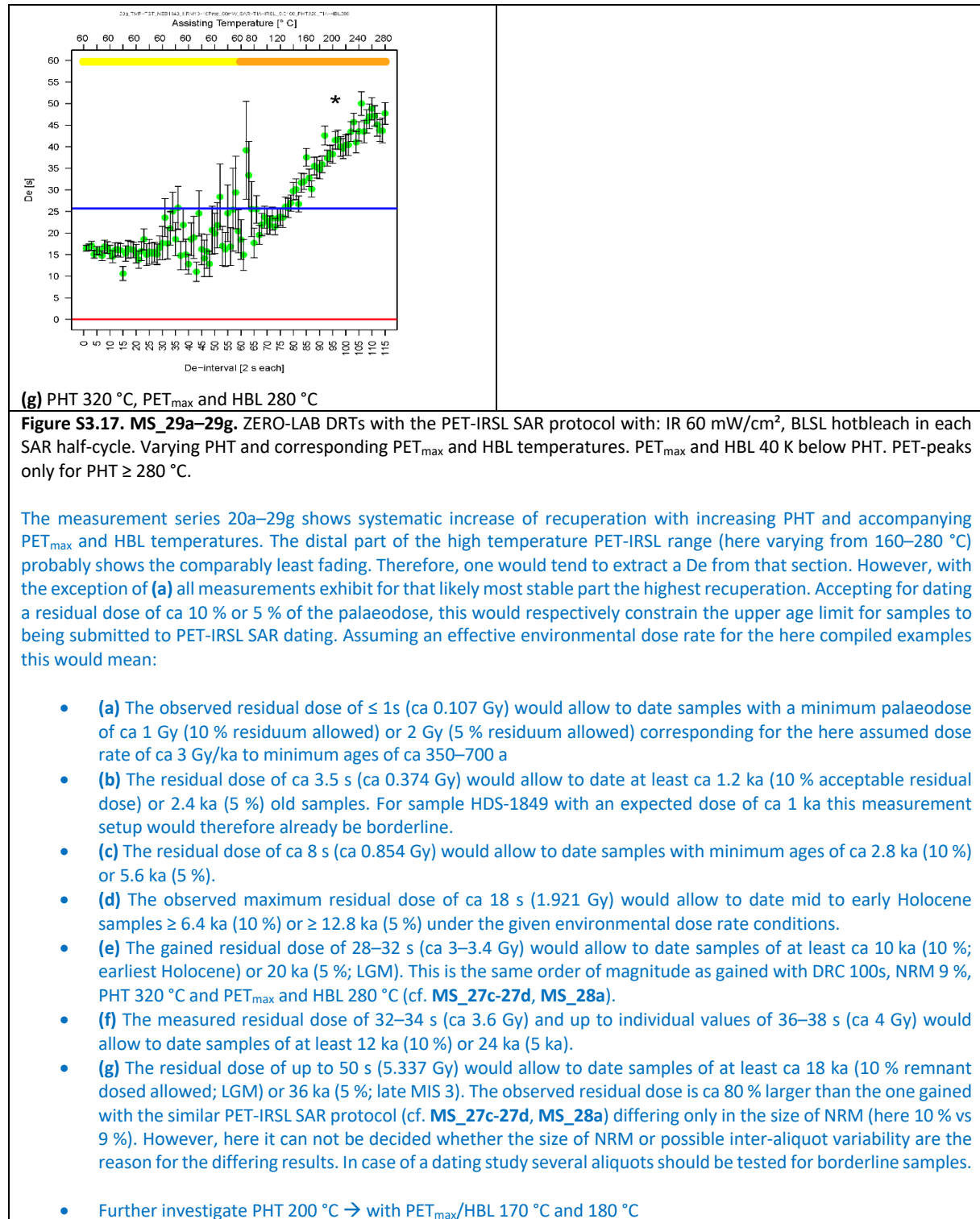
Next step: Increase PHT and corresponding PET_{max} and HBL

- PHT 320 – PET_{max} 280 – HBL 280 ← „classic“
- PHT 300 – PET_{max} 260 – HBL 260
- PHT 280 – PET_{max} 240 – HBL 240
- PHT 260 – PET_{max} 220 – HBL 220
- PHT 240 – PET_{max} 200 – HBL 200
- PHT 220 – PET_{max} 180 – HBL 180
- PHT 200 – PET_{max} 160 – HBL 160 ← PET_{max} / HBL 10 K below Buckland et al. (2019)

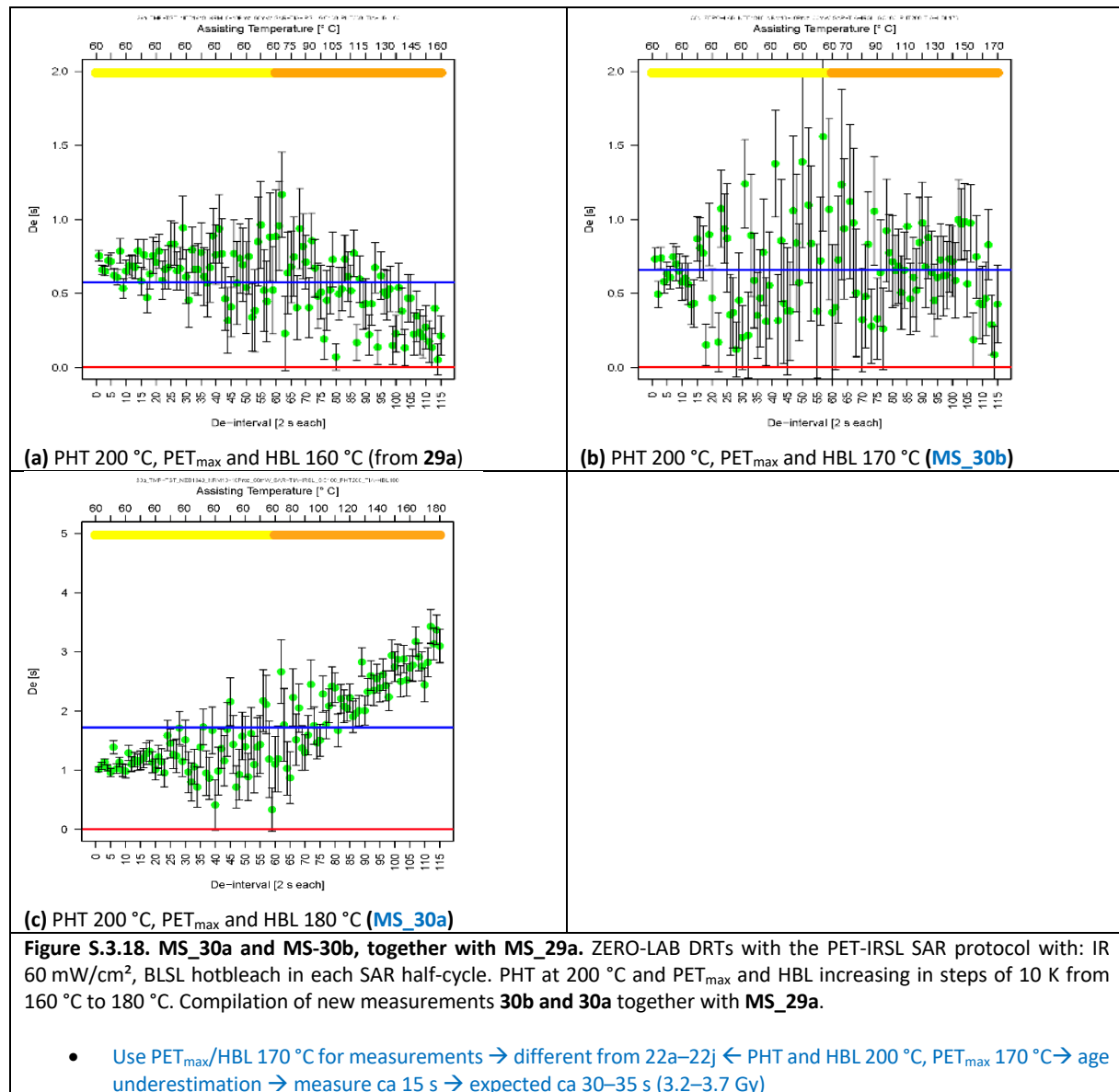
Select the one which works with the strongest thermal treatment; increase PET_{max}/HBL by 10–20 K

S3.17. ZERO-LAB DRTS on NEB-1849 – DRC 100 s – NRM 10 % – Increase PHT in steps of 20 K from 200 °C to 320 °C – PET_{max} and HBL 40 K below PHT



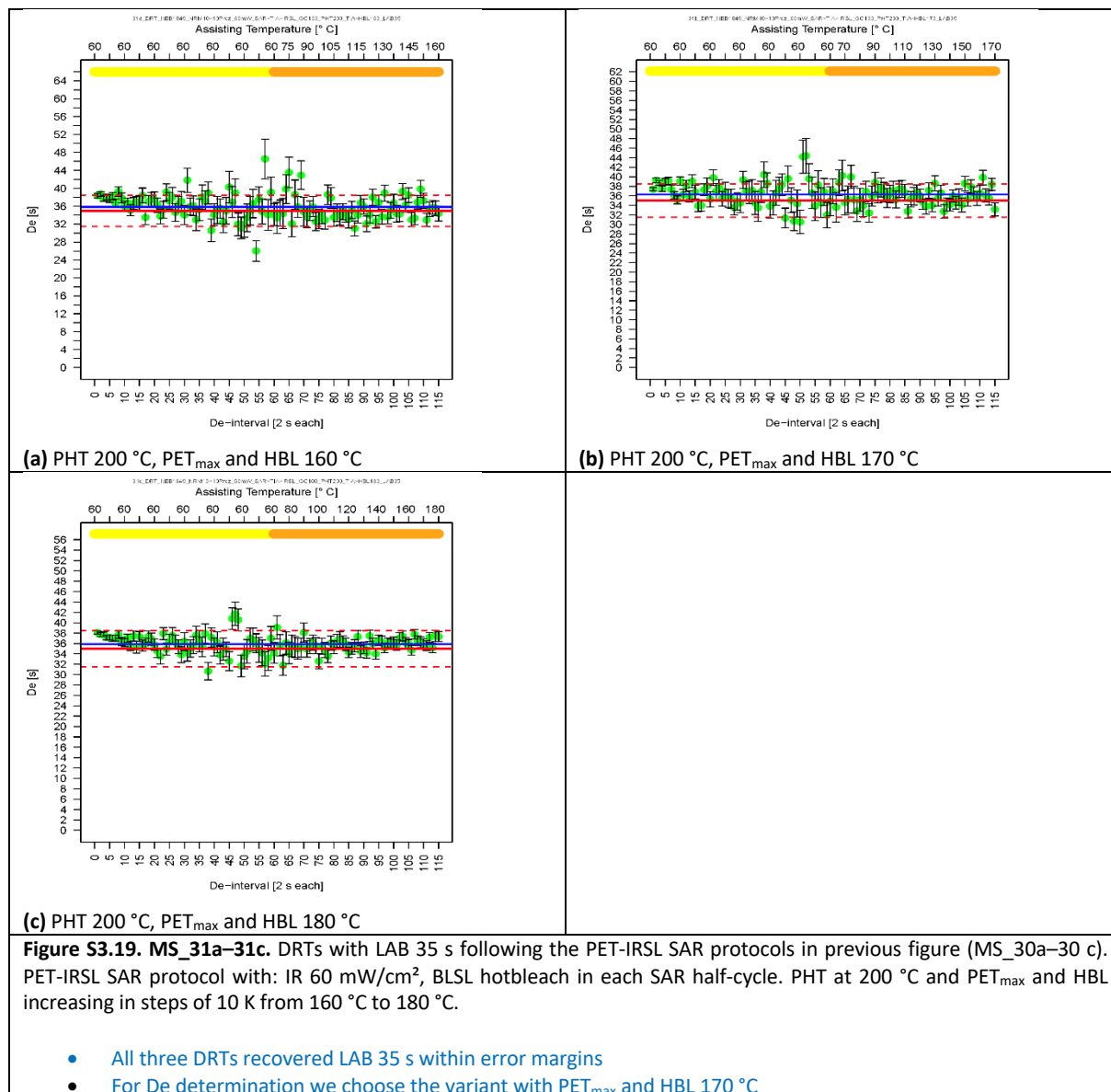


S3.18. ZERO-LAB DRTS on NEB-1849 – GC 100 s – NRM 10 % – PHT 200 °C – PET_{max} and HBL increasing from 160 °C (copied from MS_29a), to 170 °C (MS_31b) to 180 °C (MS_30a)

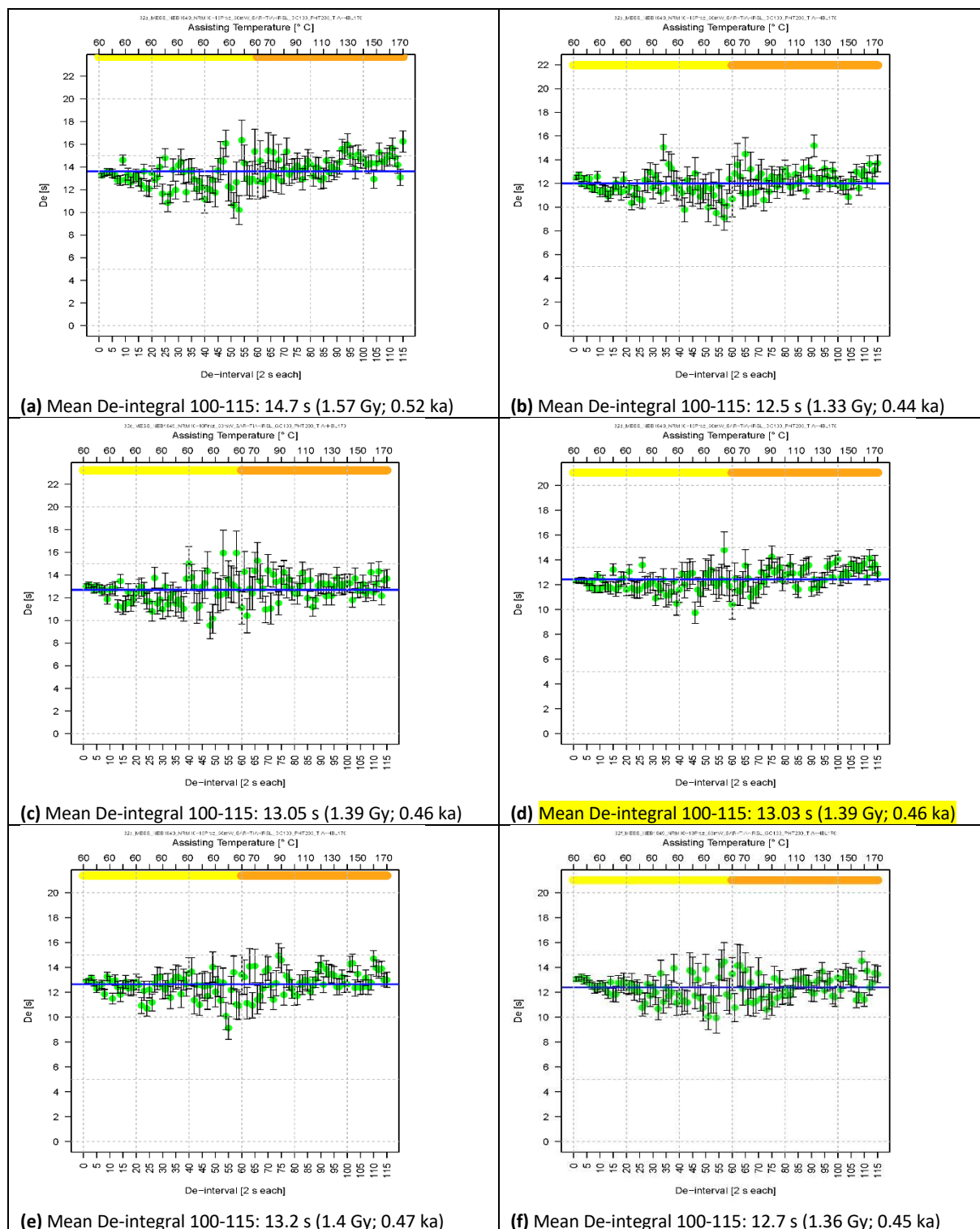


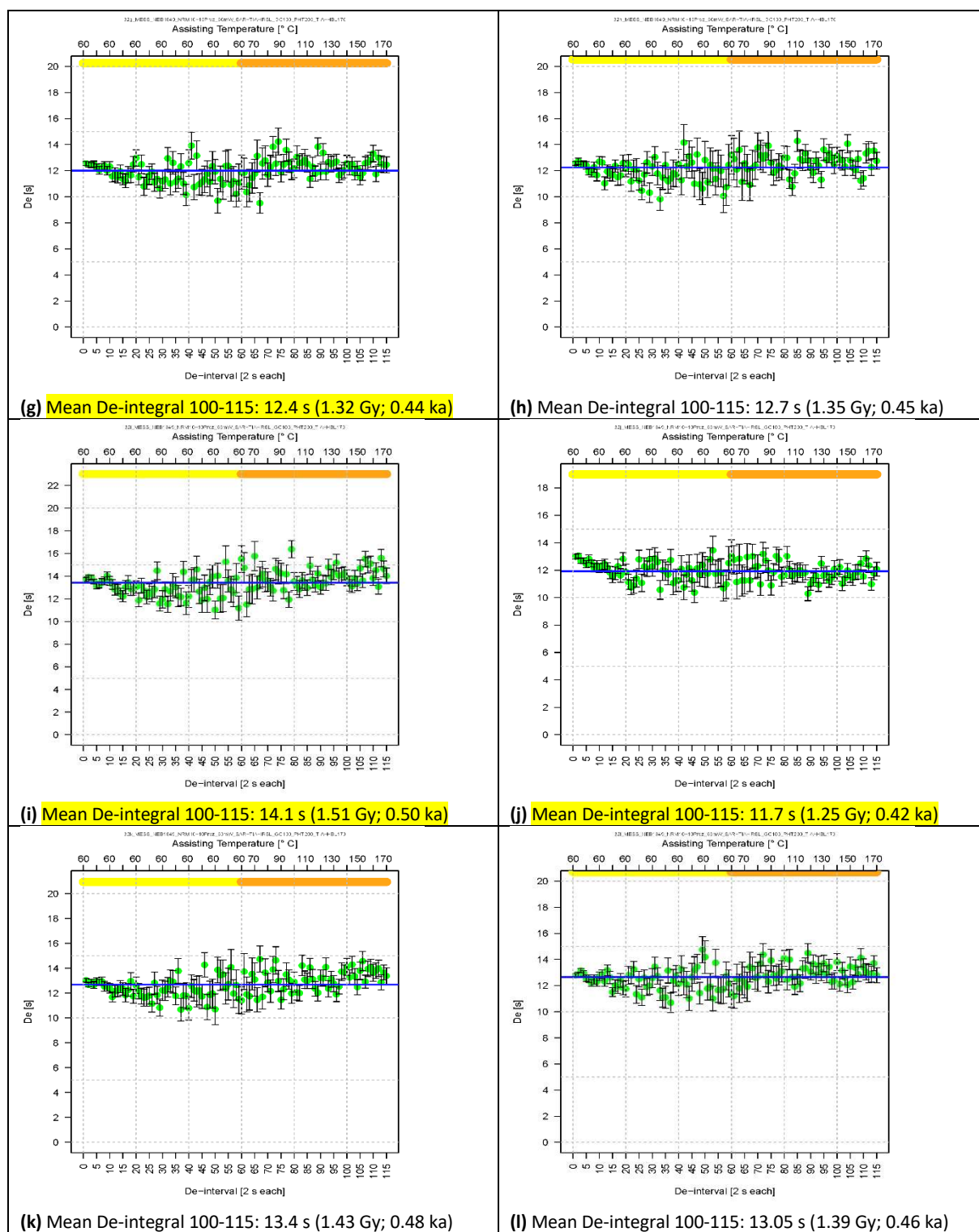
Measure DRTs with LAB 35 s following MS_29a, MS_30b and 30a

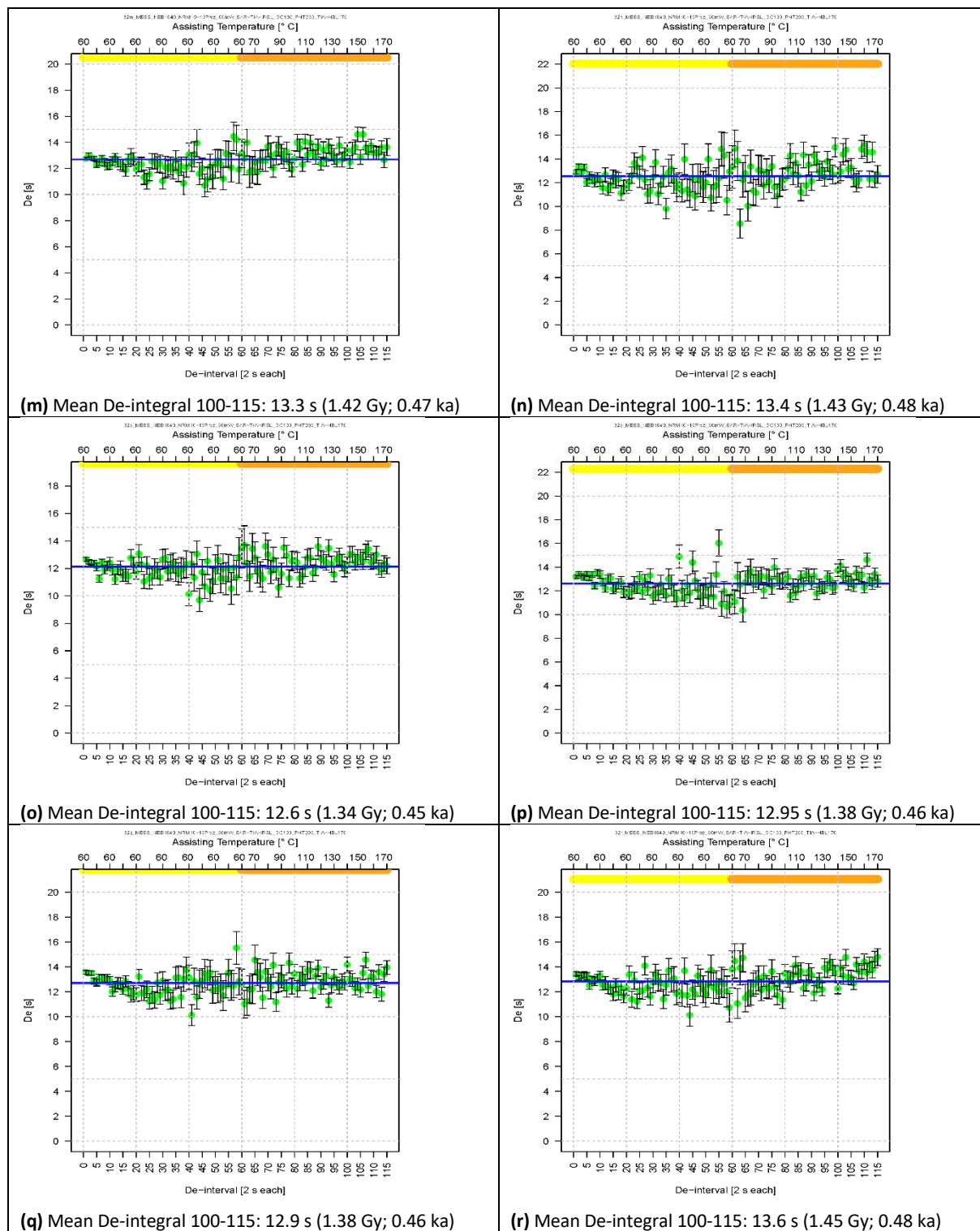
S3.19. DRTs on NEB-1849 – DRC 100 s – NRM 10 % – LAB 35 s – PHT 200 °C – PET_{max} and HBL increasing from 160 °C to 180 °C in steps of 10 K

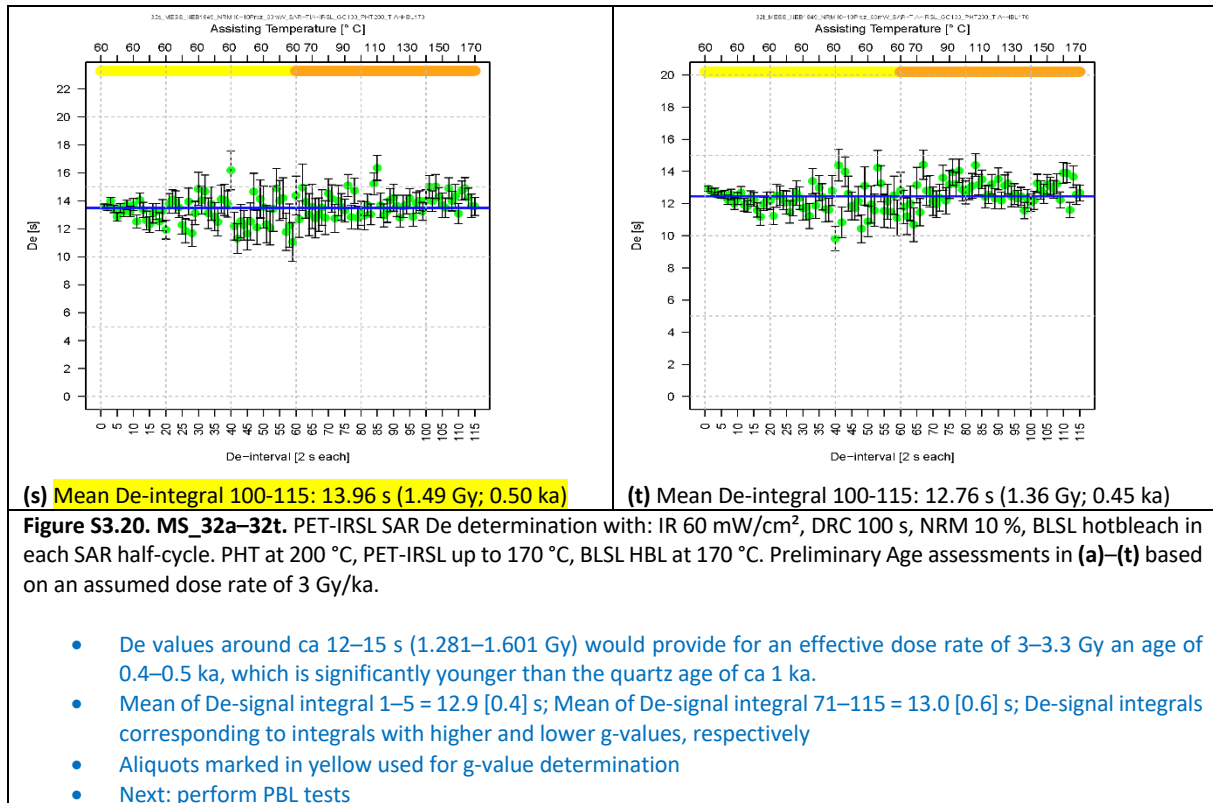


S3.20. De determination on NEB-1849 – PET-IRSL – IR 60 mW/cm² – BLSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 100 s – NRM 10 % – PHT at 200 °C – PET_{max} 170 °C – BLSL HBL at 170 °C → cf. DRT 31b





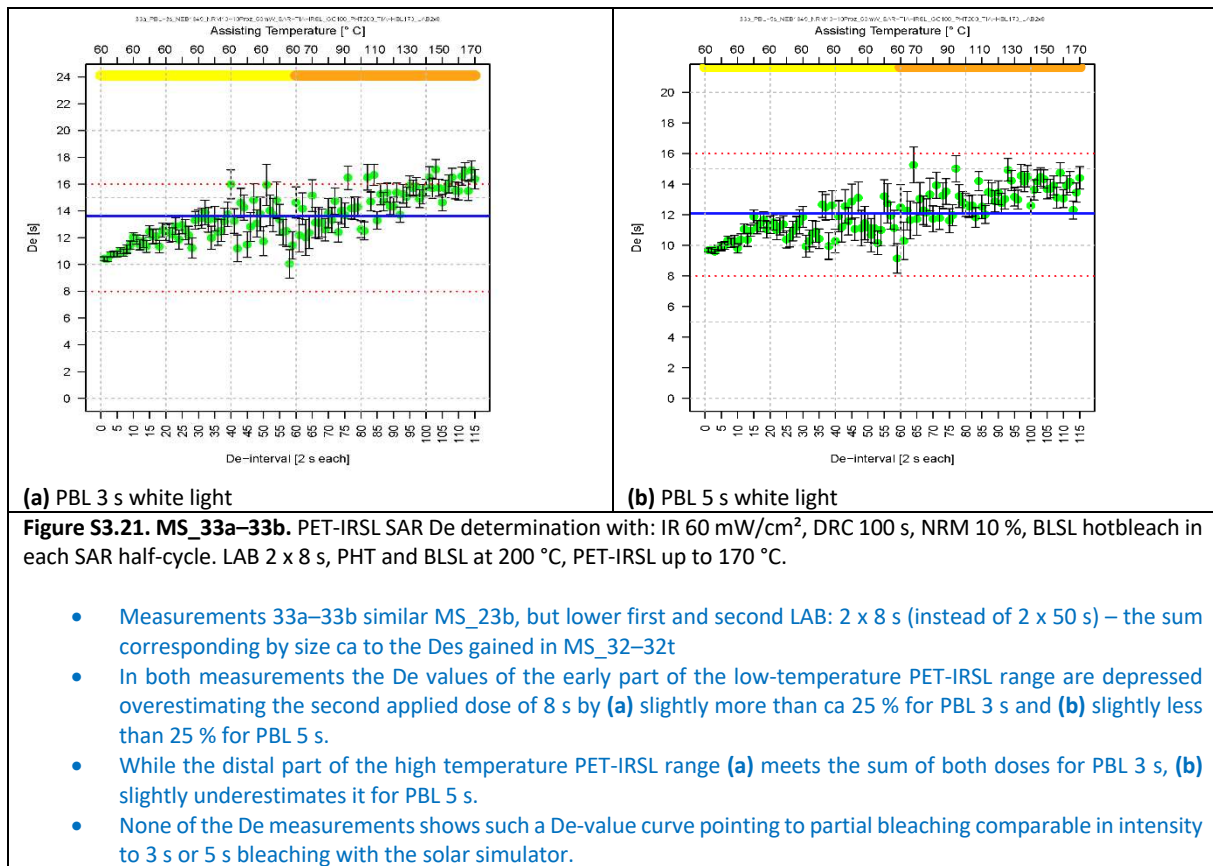




Choose 5 aliquots for fading measurements from MS_32a–32t: largest De, smallest De, intermediate Des (MS_35)

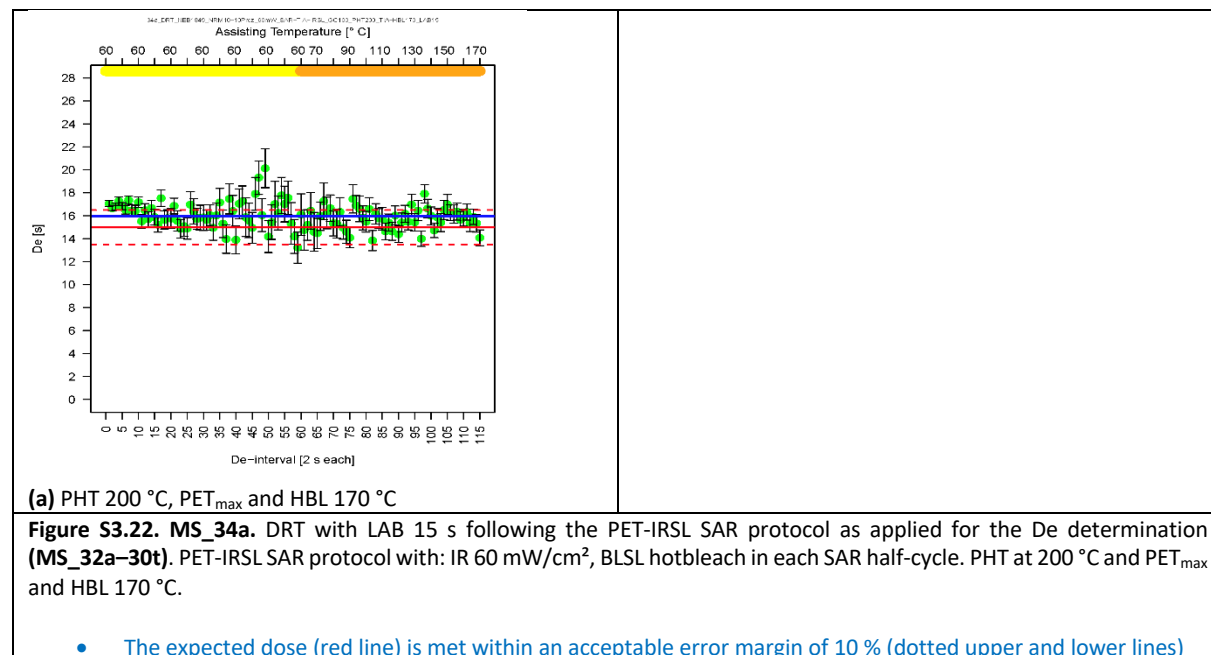
- (d)** Mean De-signal integral 100-115: 13.03 s (1.39 Gy; 0.46 ka) → POS-57
- (g)** Mean De-signal integral 100-115: 12.4 s (1.32 Gy; 0.44 ka) → POS-60
- (i)** Mean De-signal integral 100-115: 14.1 s (1.51 Gy; 0.50 ka) → POS-62
- (j)** Mean De-signal integral 100-115: 11.7 s (1.25 Gy; 0.42 ka) → POS-63
- (s)** Mean De-signal integral 100-115: 13.96 s (1.49 Gy; 0.50 ka) → POS-72
- (d)** Mean De-signal integral 100-115: 13.03 s (1.39 Gy; 0.46 ka) → POS-57
- (g)** Mean De-signal integral 100-115: 12.4 s (1.32 Gy; 0.44 ka) → POS-60
- (i)** Mean De-signal integral 100-115: 14.1 s (1.51 Gy; 0.50 ka) → POS-62
- (j)** Mean De-signal integral 100-115: 11.7 s (1.25 Gy; 0.42 ka) → POS-63
- (s)** Mean De-signal integral 100-115: 13.96 s (1.49 Gy; 0.50 ka) → POS-72

S3.21. PBL DRT on NEB-1849 – PET-IRSL – IR 60 mW/cm² – BLSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 100 s – NRM 10 % – PHT and BLSL HBL at 200 °C – PET-IRSL up to 170 °C – PBL 3 s and 5 s

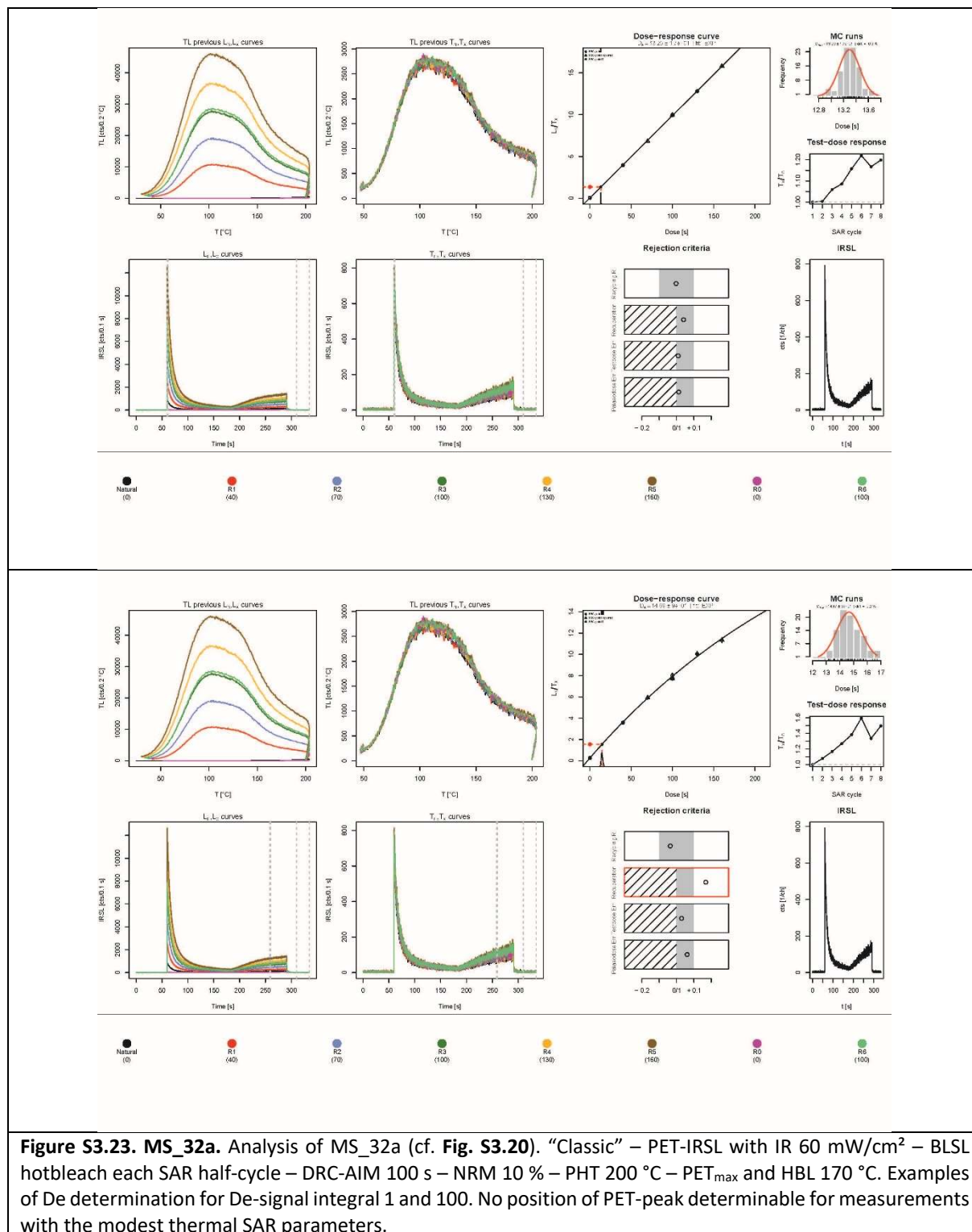


Perform also a DRT with LAB 15 s – like MS_31b, but with LAB 15 s, which compares to the size of the natural Des

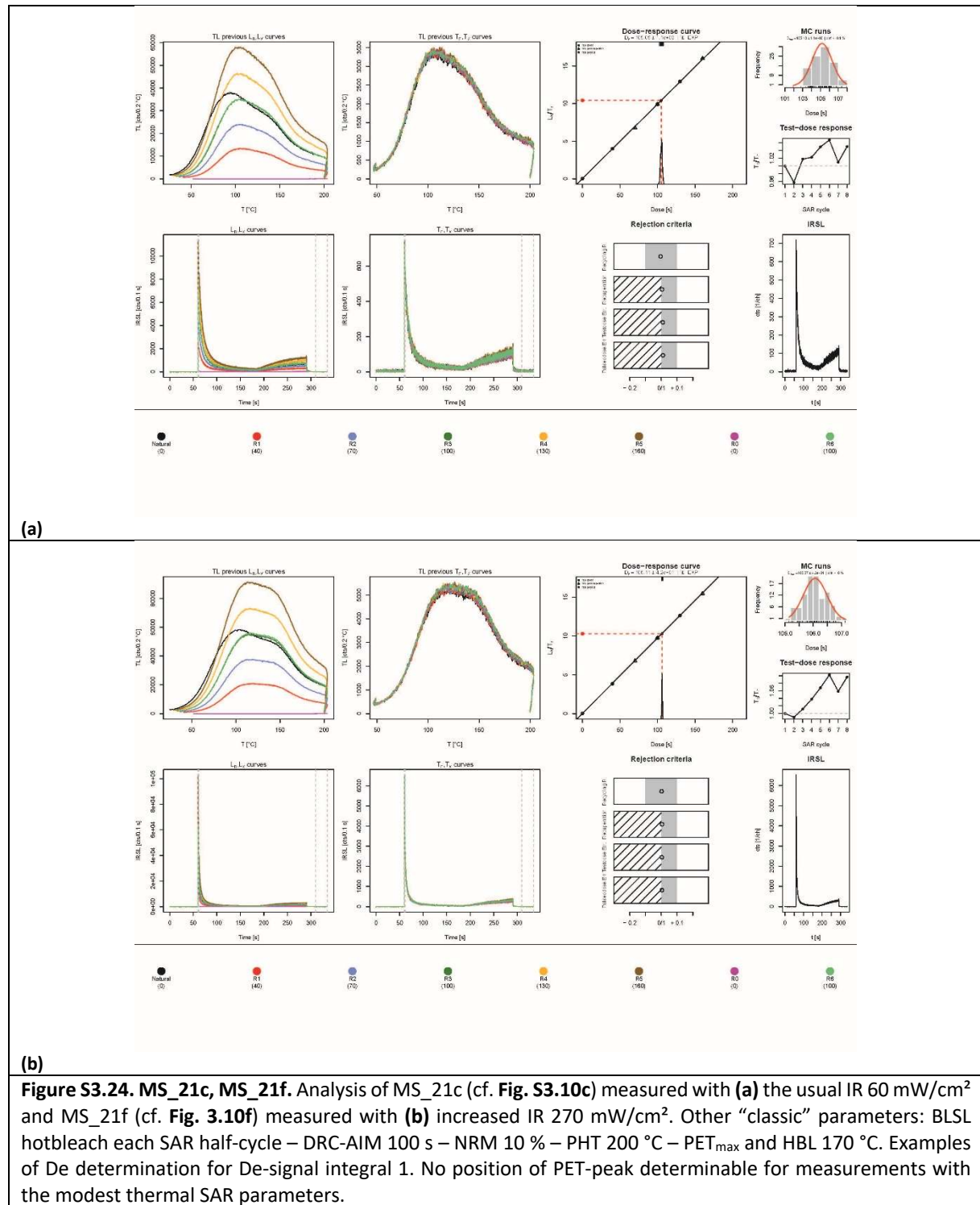
S3.22. DRT on NEB-1849 – DRC 100 s – NRM 10 % – LAB 15 s – PHT 200 °C – PET_{max} and HBL 170 °C



S3.23. Example of TL-PHT and PET-IRSL signal curves and data analysis with the function “analyse_SAR.CWOSL()” – MS_32a

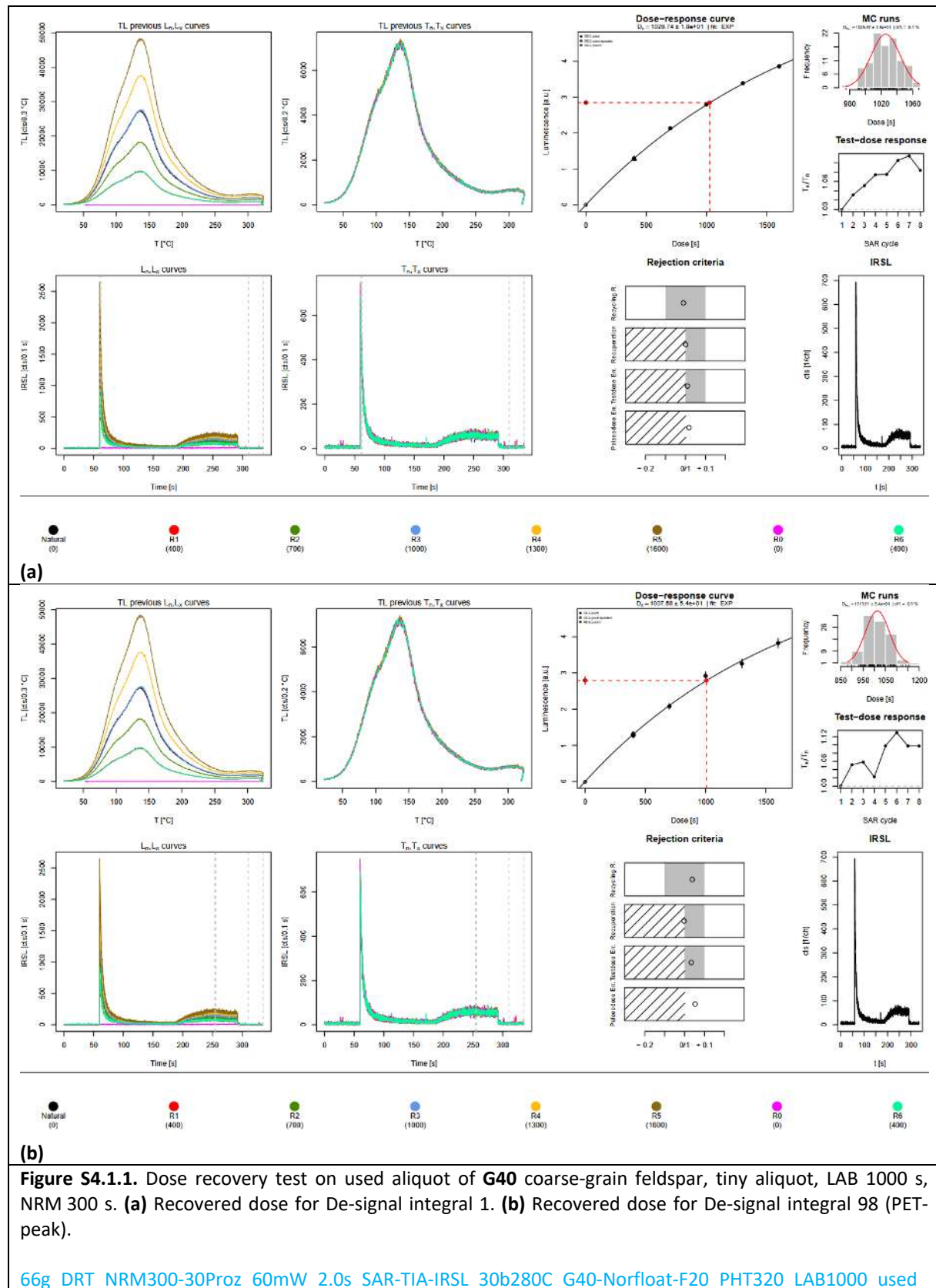


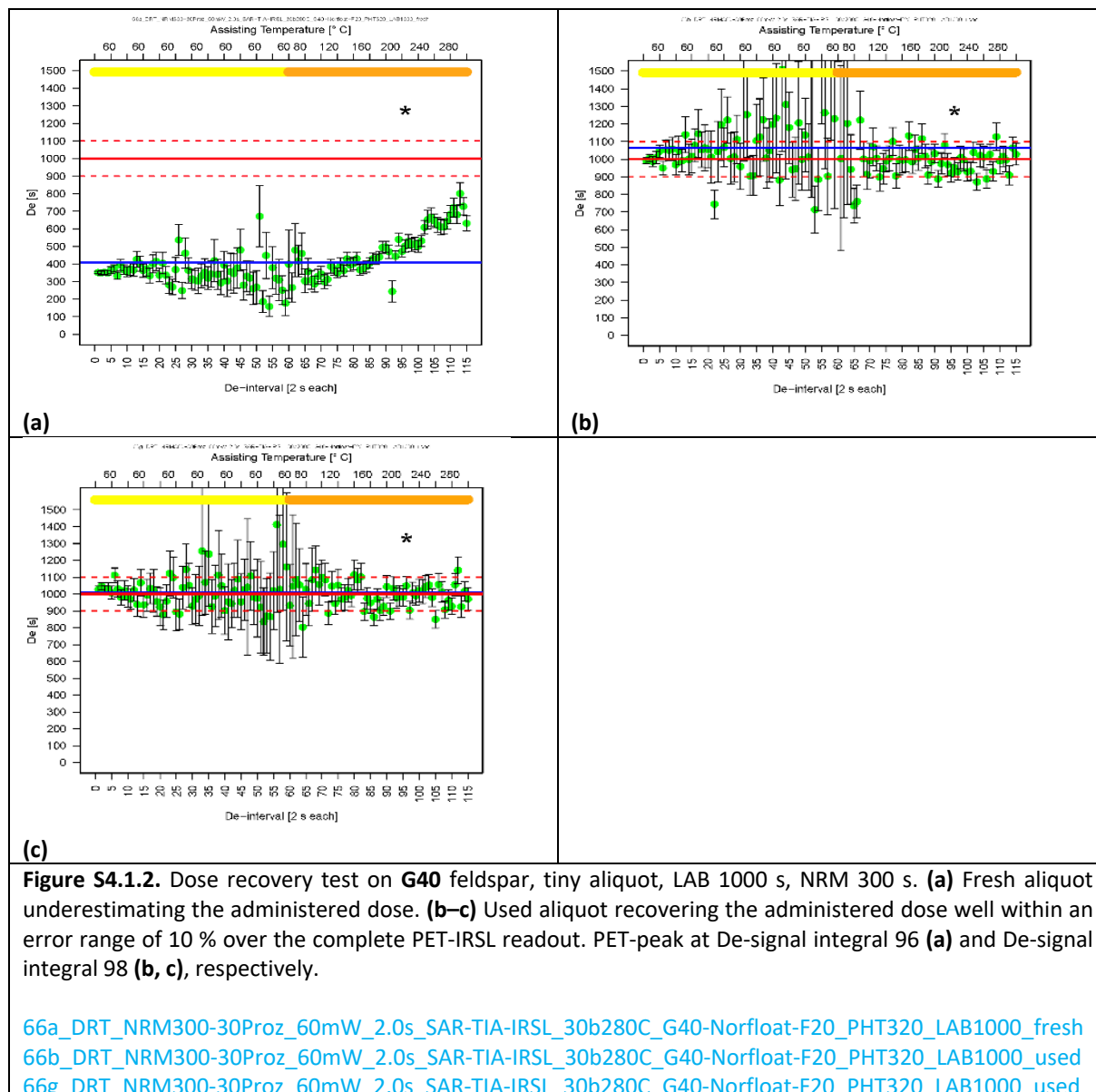
S3.24. Example of PET-IRSL signal curves measured with 60 mW/cm² (MS_21f) vs 270 mW/cm² (MS_21c)

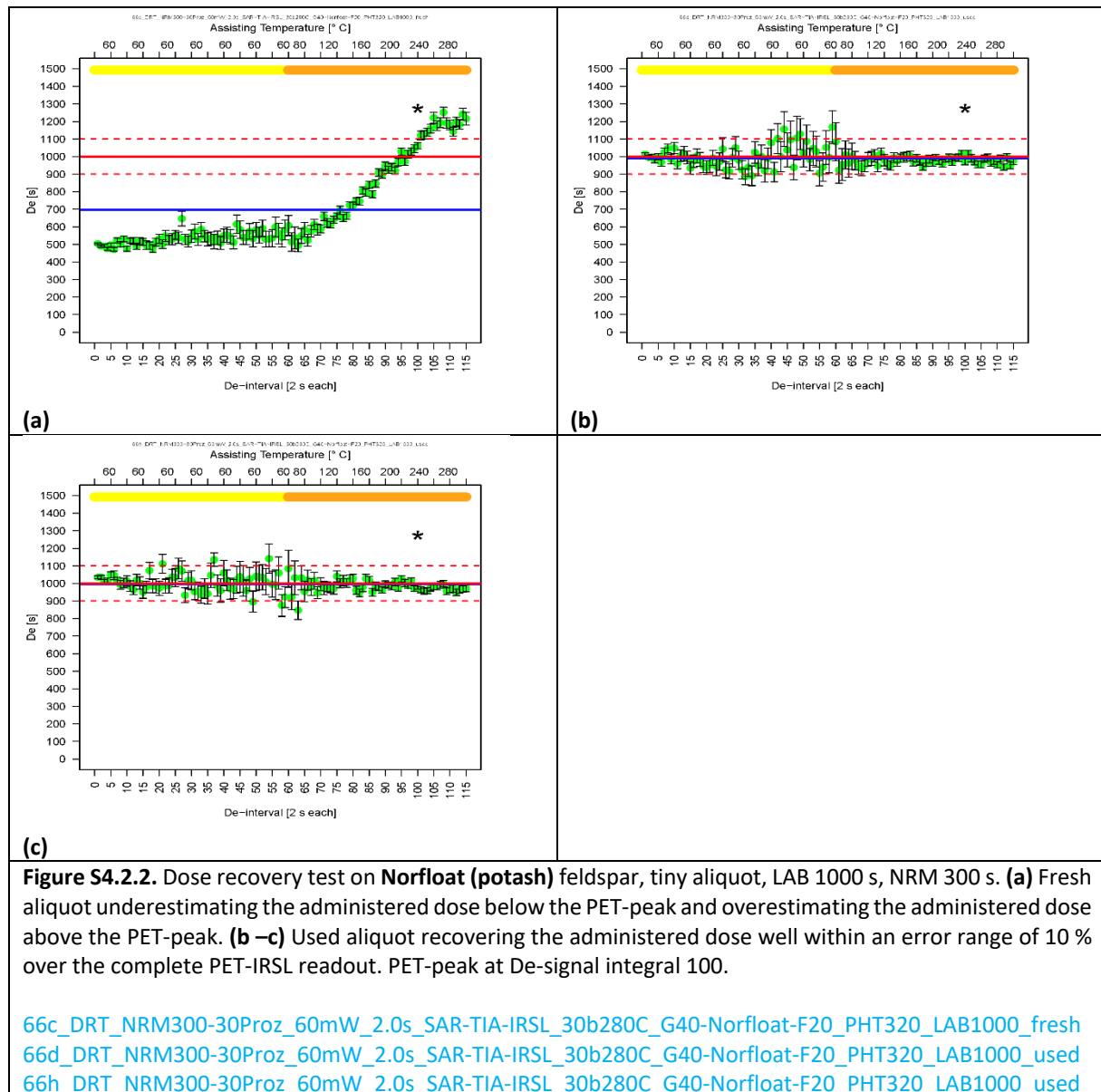


S4. Supplement 4 – Feldspar specimens – PET-IRSL SAR measurements

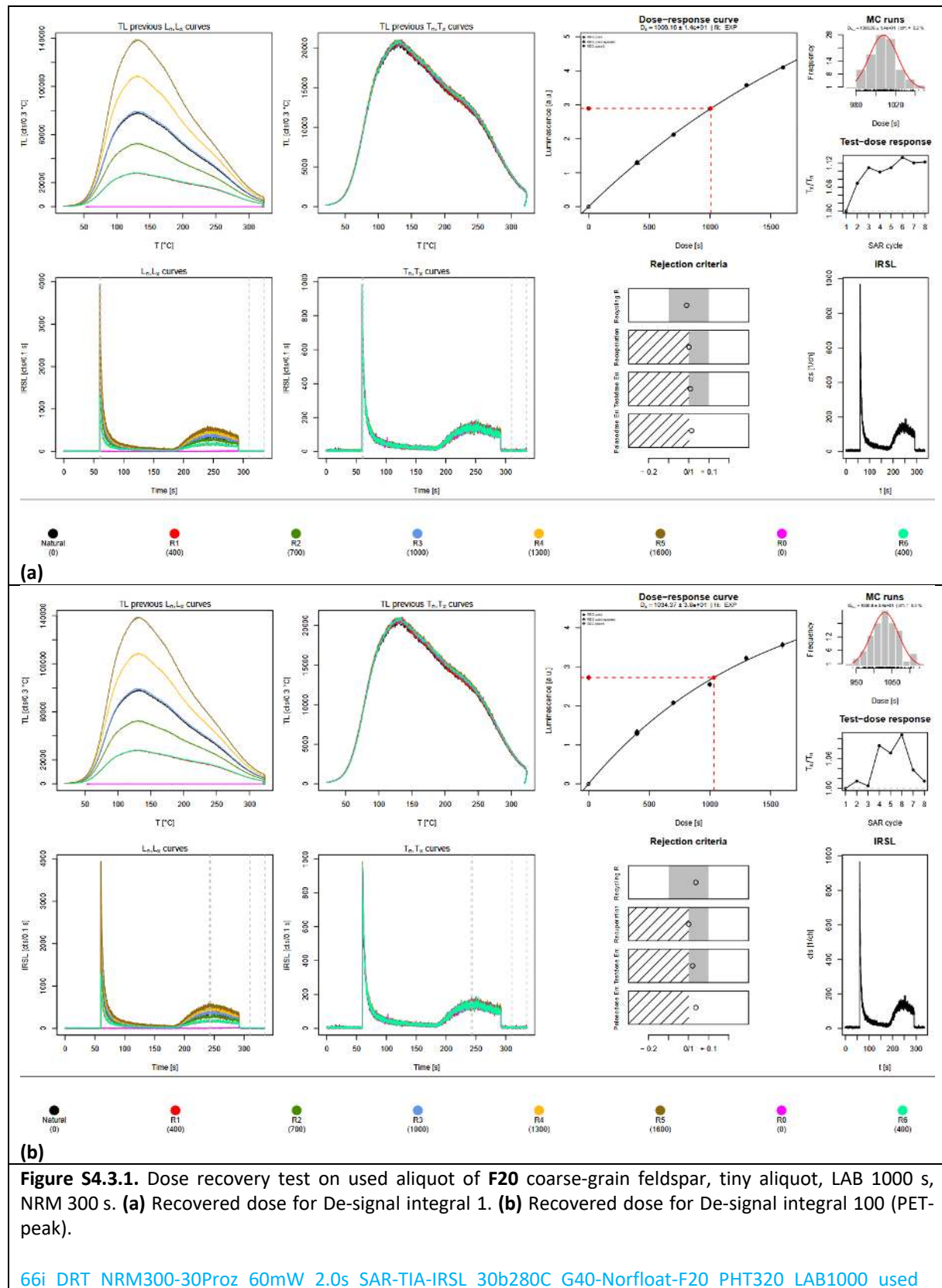
S4.1. G-40 Feldspar (Feldspar Corporation)

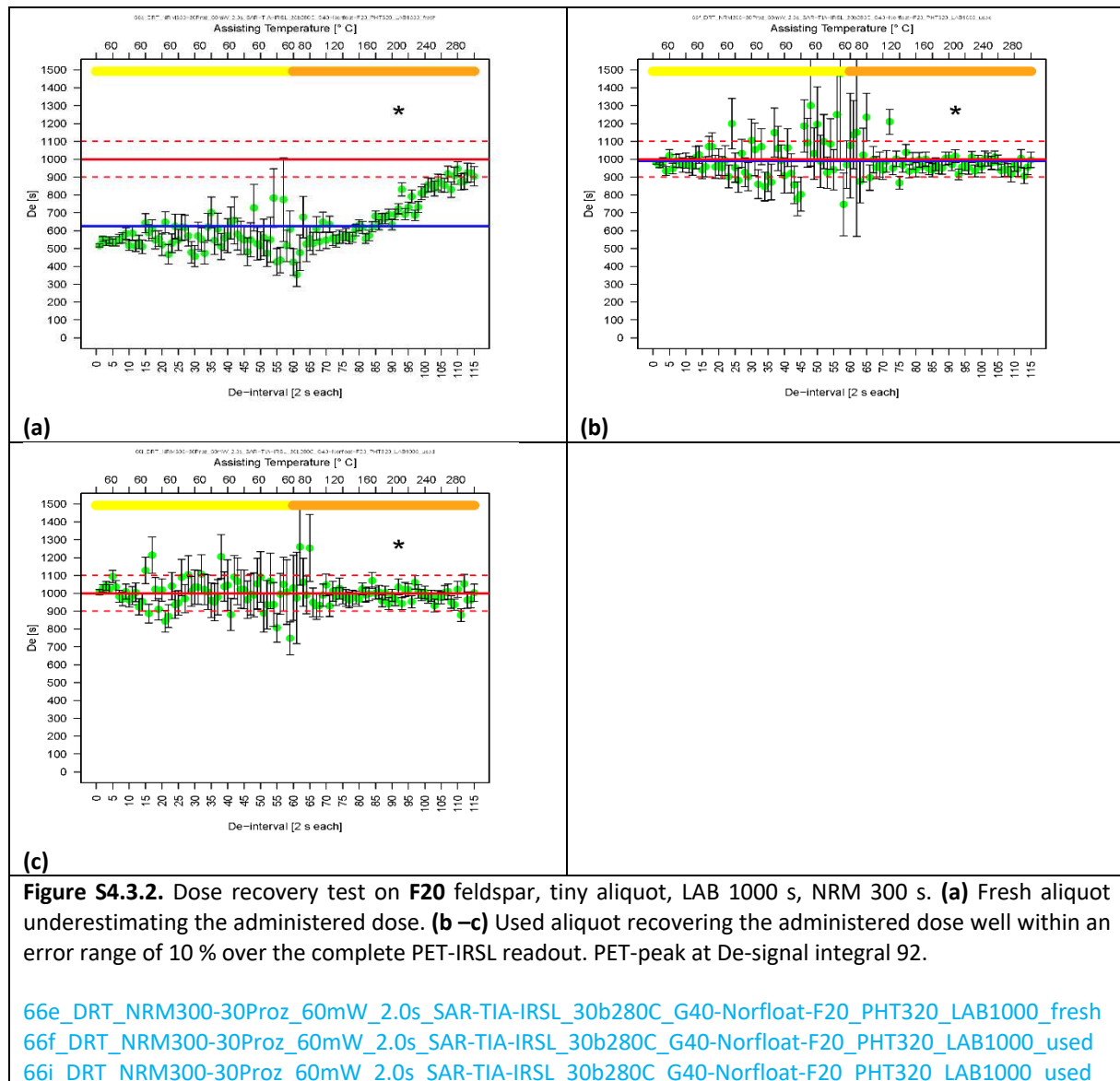






S4.3. F-20 Feldspar (Feldspar Corporation)





Comment

Fig. S4.1.1–S4.3.2 illustrate DRT measurements on tiny aliquots of the three commercially available feldspars G-40 (10.4 wt.% K_2O), Norfloat Potash (12.0 wt.% K_2O) and F-20 (4.1 wt.% K_2O). The samples at hand have been exposed to light in an unknown manner, but still contain remnants of a geologic dose. One aliquot per sample was dosed and measured repeatedly, firstly after bleaching in the *lexsygresearch* reader with the solar lamp facility for one hour (“fresh” aliquot), secondly and thirdly subsequently to a previous PET-IRSL SAR measurement and subsequent bleaching by the solar facility (used aliquot). The DRTs were measured with PHT 320 °C, a 1000 s dose-response curve, LAB 1000 s and NRM 30 % (300 s). With these parameter values the administered dose could be recovered well for the used aliquots over the complete low- and high-temperature PET-IRSL range, but was underestimated for the “fresh” aliquots. This may be owed to a not optimized preheat temperature and/or normalisation dose (NRM). The size of NRM was an arbitrary choice and further NRM tests were not carried out, as the samples are not relevant for sediment dating, but serve as chemically well characterized specimens. As such they show a comparable PET-IRSL signal curve as the sediment samples subjected to the same parameter values, with a shine-down along the low-temperature PET-

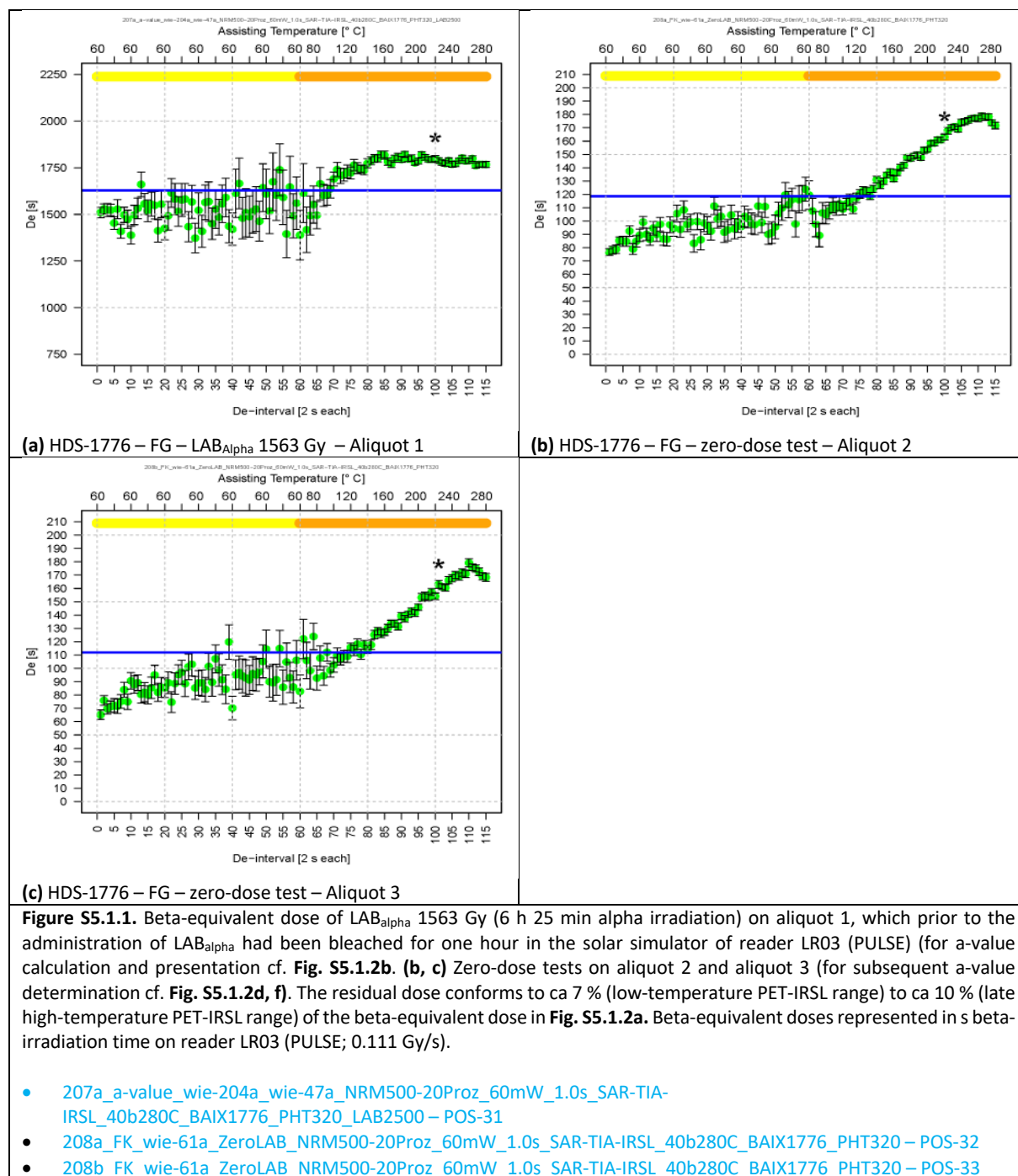
IRSL range and a signal increase starting with the beginning of the high-temperature PET-IRSL range and a PET-peak somewhere in the De-signal integral range 90–102 (180–230 °C). The position of the PET-peak varies between samples, but is rather constant for repeat measurements of the same aliquot. PET-peak positions, as roughly determined by optical inspection, are at De-signal integral 96 (ca 204 °C; G-40), De-signal integral 100 (ca 220 °C; Potash Norfloat) and De-signal intergral 92 (ca 188 °C; F-20). Thus, the PET-peak position shifts to a somewhat higher temperature with increasing potassium content. The most pronounced PET-peak is exhibited by Potash Norfloat which possesses the highest potassium content. The least pronounced and broadest PET-peak is observed for G-40, while the specimen with the lowest potassium content F-20 shows a slightly more developed PET-peak.

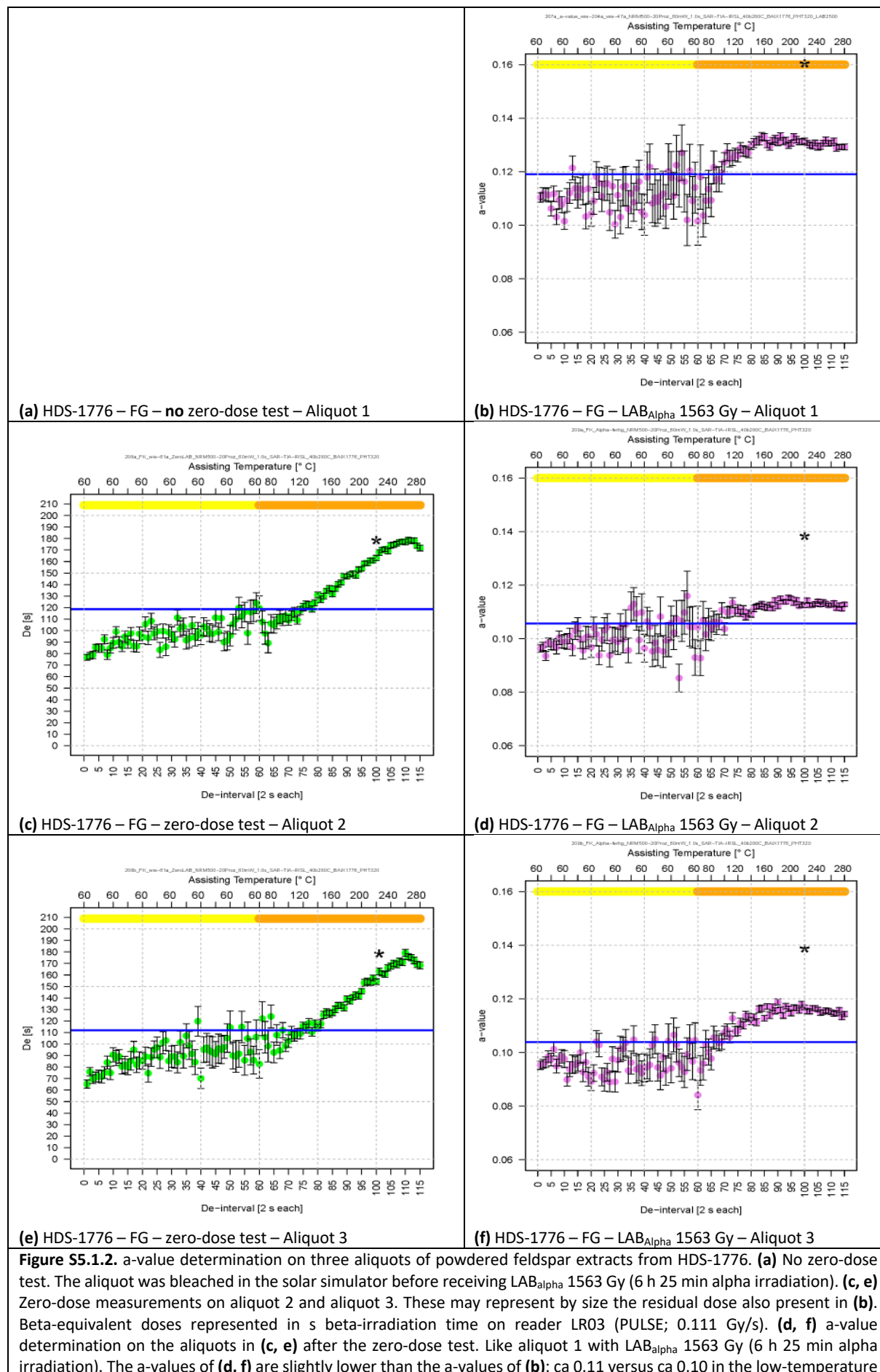
The coarse-grain feldspars are documented in the DigitalFire.com Reference Library – G40, Norfloat (potash) and F20 (<https://digitalfire.com/>).

S5. Supplement 5 – a-value and g-value determination

S5.1. a-value and g-value-determination - A

- a-value determination on HDS-1776 – Fig. S5.1.1 – S5.1.2
- a-value determination on HDS-1849 – Fig. S5.2.1 – S5.2.4
- g-value determination on HDS-1776 – Fig. S5.3.1 – S5.3.3
- g-value determination on HDS-1827 – Fig. S5.4.1 – S5.4.3
- g-value determination on HDS-1849 – Fig. S5.5.1 – S5.5.3





PET-IRSL range and ca 0.115–0.12 versus 0.13 in the high-temperature PET-IRSL range. The difference is likely owed to the small residual dose in **(b)**. The graphs in **(c, e)** are identical to those in **Fig. S5.1.1 (b, c)**.

- 207a_a-value_wie-204a_wie-47a_NRM500-20Proz_60mW_1.0s_SAR-TIA-IRSL_40b280C_BAIX1776_PHT320_LAB2500 – POS-31
- 208a_FK_wie-61a_ZeroLAB_NRM500-20Proz_60mW_1.0s_SAR-TIA-IRSL_40b280C_BAIX1776_PHT320 – POS-32 mit 209a_Alpha...
- 208b_FK_wie-61a_ZeroLAB_NRM500-20Proz_60mW_1.0s_SAR-TIA-IRSL_40b280C_BAIX1776_PHT320 – POS-33 mit 209b_Alpha...

S5.2. a-value and g-value-determination - B

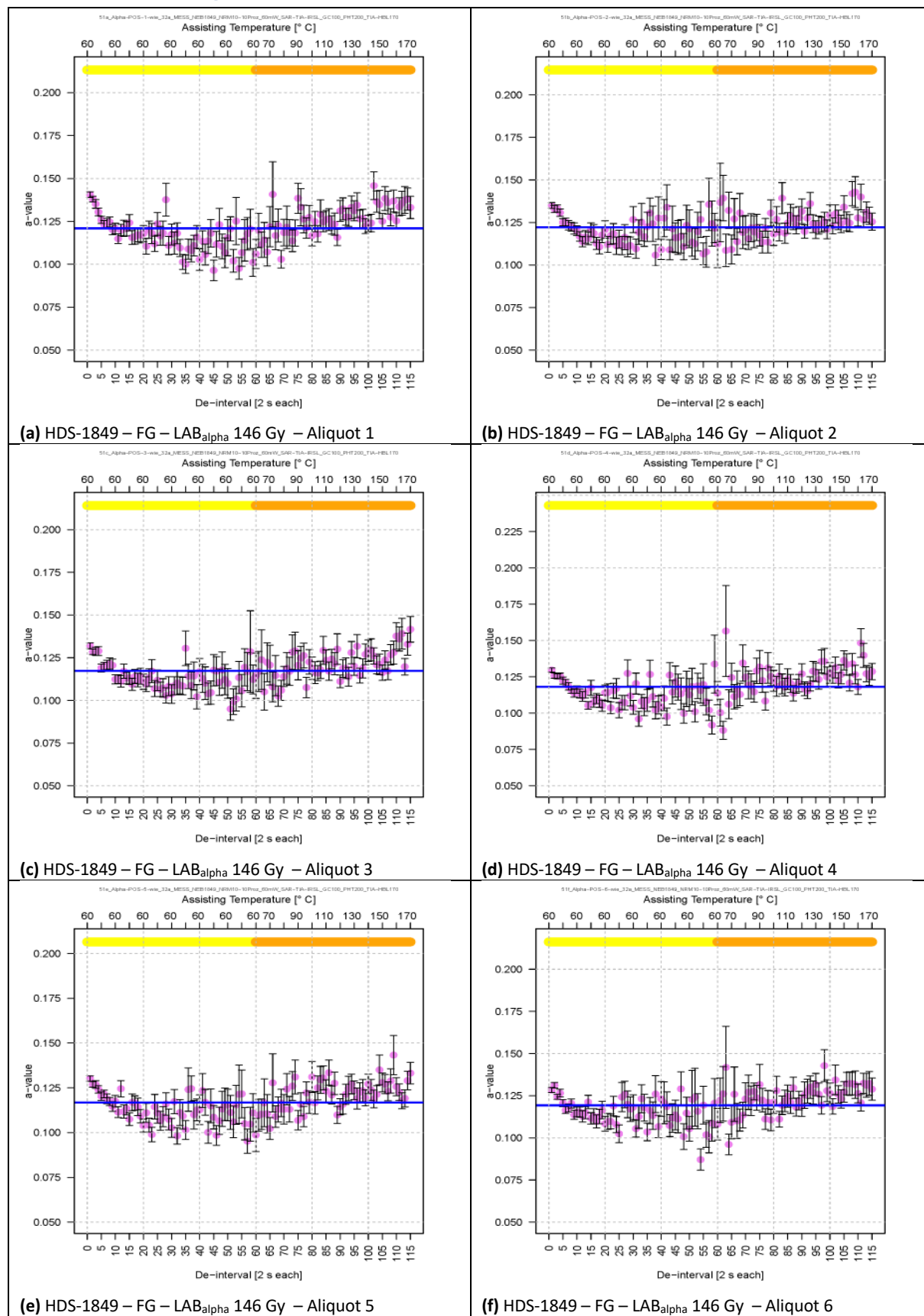
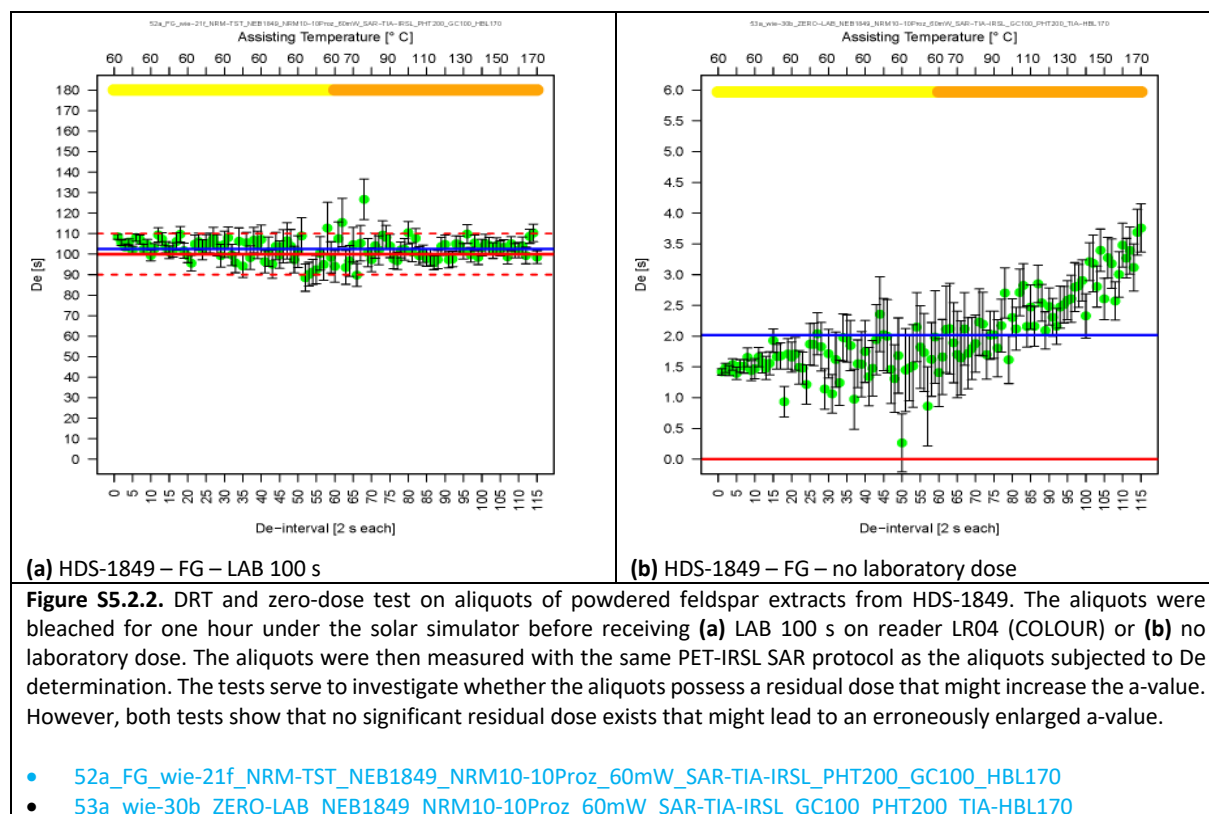
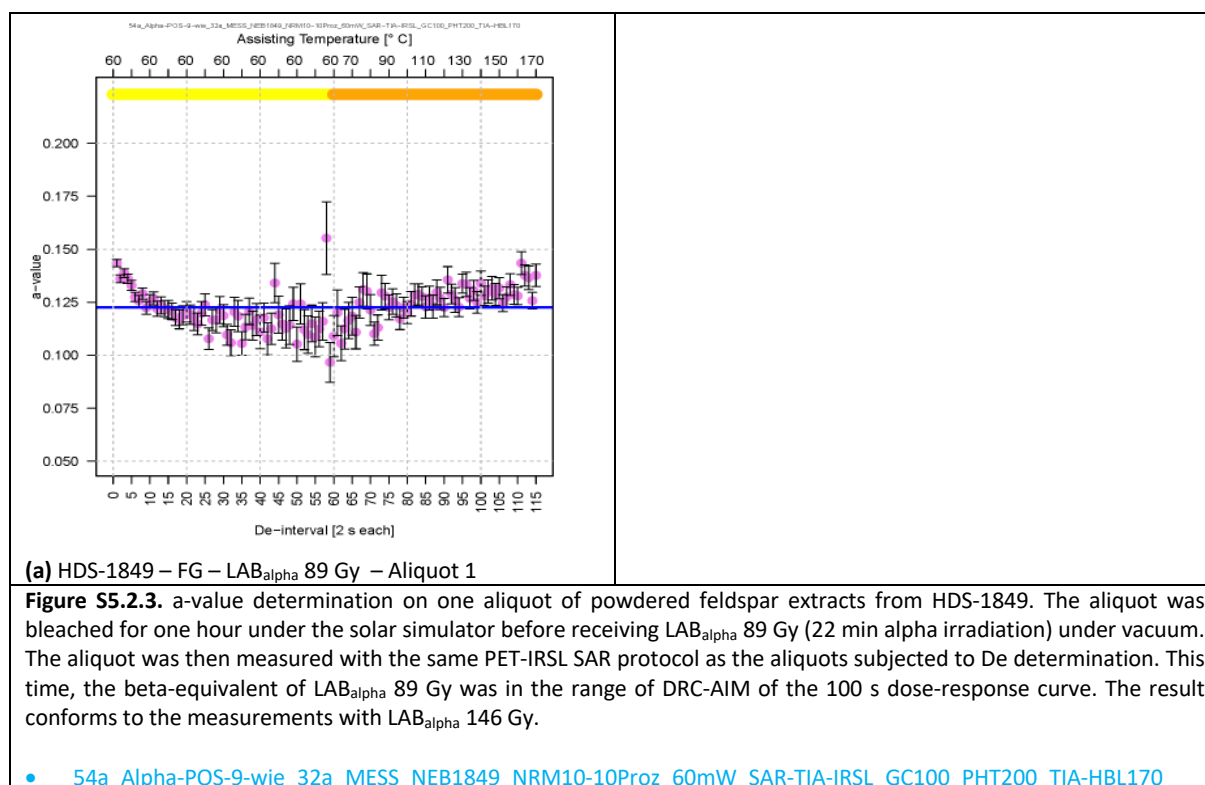


Figure S5.2.1. a-value determination on six aliquots of powdered feldspar extracts from HDS-1849. The aliquots were bleached for one hour under the solar simulator before receiving LAB_{alpha} 146 Gy (36 min alpha irradiation) under vacuum. The aliquots were then measured with the same PET-IRSL SAR protocol as the aliquots subjected to De determination. As the a-value was slightly larger than expected, LAB_{alpha} 146 Gy had to be extrapolated on the beta-dose response curve

slightly beyond REG_{max} . Yet, the results are reproducible. Nonetheless, the a-value measurements were repeated with a lower LAB_{alpha} (cf. [Fig S5.2.3](#) and [Fig S5.2.4](#)).

- [51a_Alpha-POS-1-wie_32a_MESS_NE1849_NRM10-10Proz_60mW_SAR-TIA-IRSL_GC100_PHT200_TIA-HBL170 ... MS_51a-MS_51f](#)





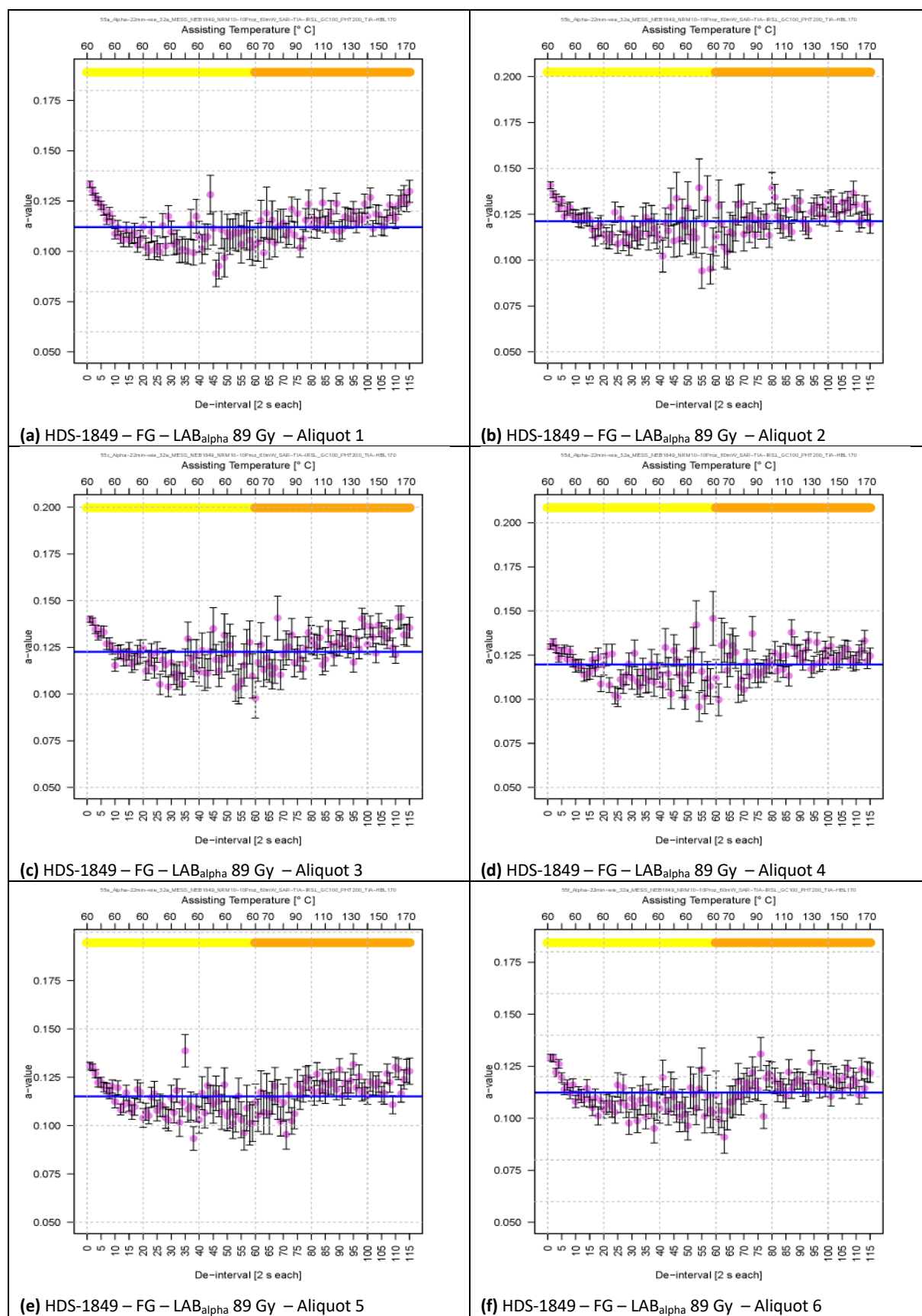


Figure S5.2.4. a-value determination on six aliquots of powdered feldspar extracts from HDS-1849. The aliquots were bleached for one hour under the solar simulator before receiving LAB_{alpha} 89 Gy (22 min alpha irradiation) under vacuum. The aliquots were then measured with the same PET-IRSL SAR protocol as the aliquots subjected to De determination. The results conform to those of the other a-value determinations both with LAB_{alpha} 146 Gy (Fig. S5.2.1) and LAB_{alpha} 89 Gy (Fig. S5.2.3).

- [55a_Alpha-22min-wie_32a_MESS_NEB1849_NRM10-10Proz_60mW_SAR-TIA-IRSL_GC100_PHT200_TIA-HBL170](#)
- [55a_... 55f_](#)

S5.3. g-value determination on 5 aliquots of BAIX-1776 (cf. MS_205a–205b) – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – GC 2500 s – NRM 20 % of DRC-AIM – LAB 1750 s – PHT 320 °C – PET_{max} and HBL 280 °C

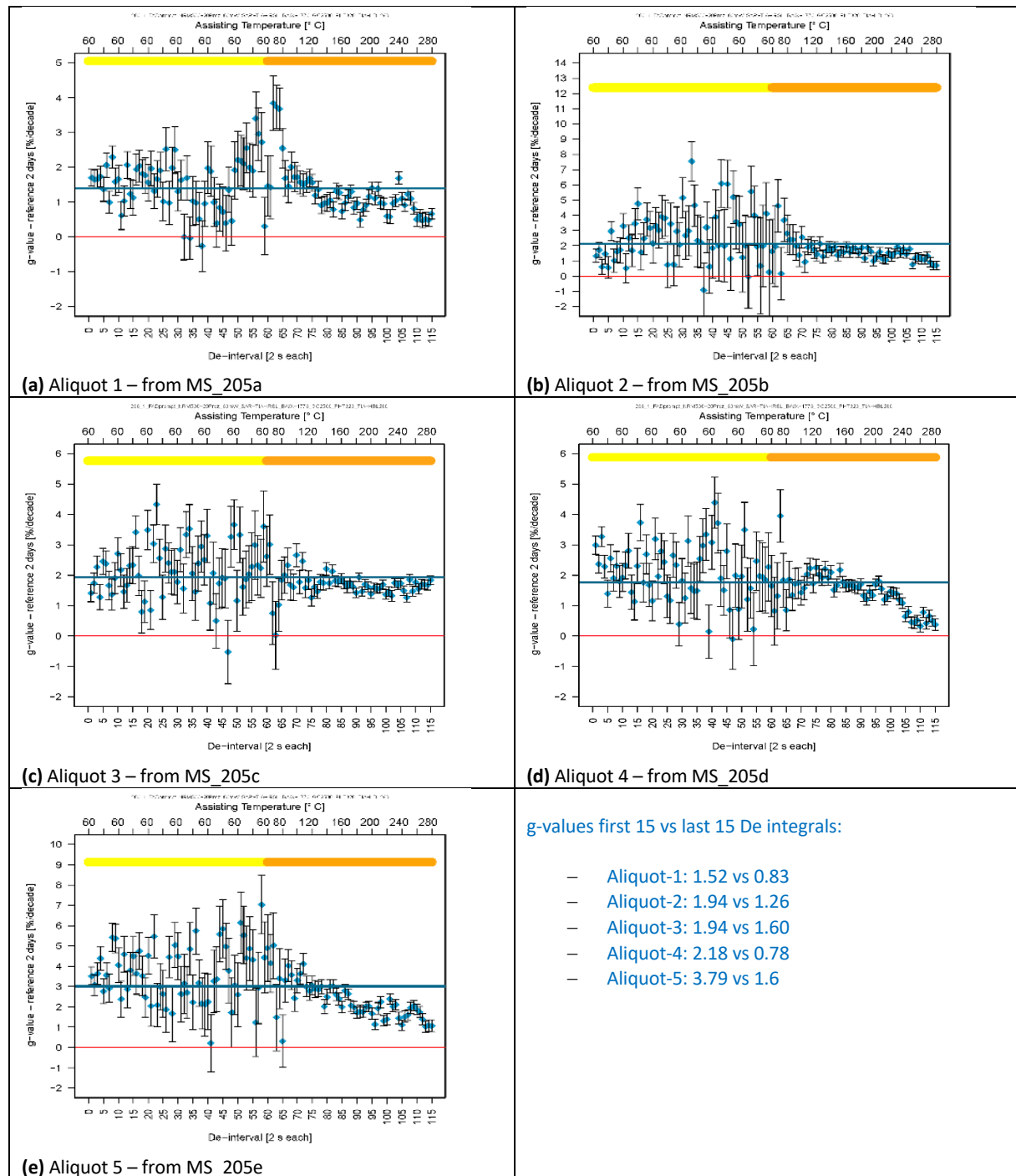
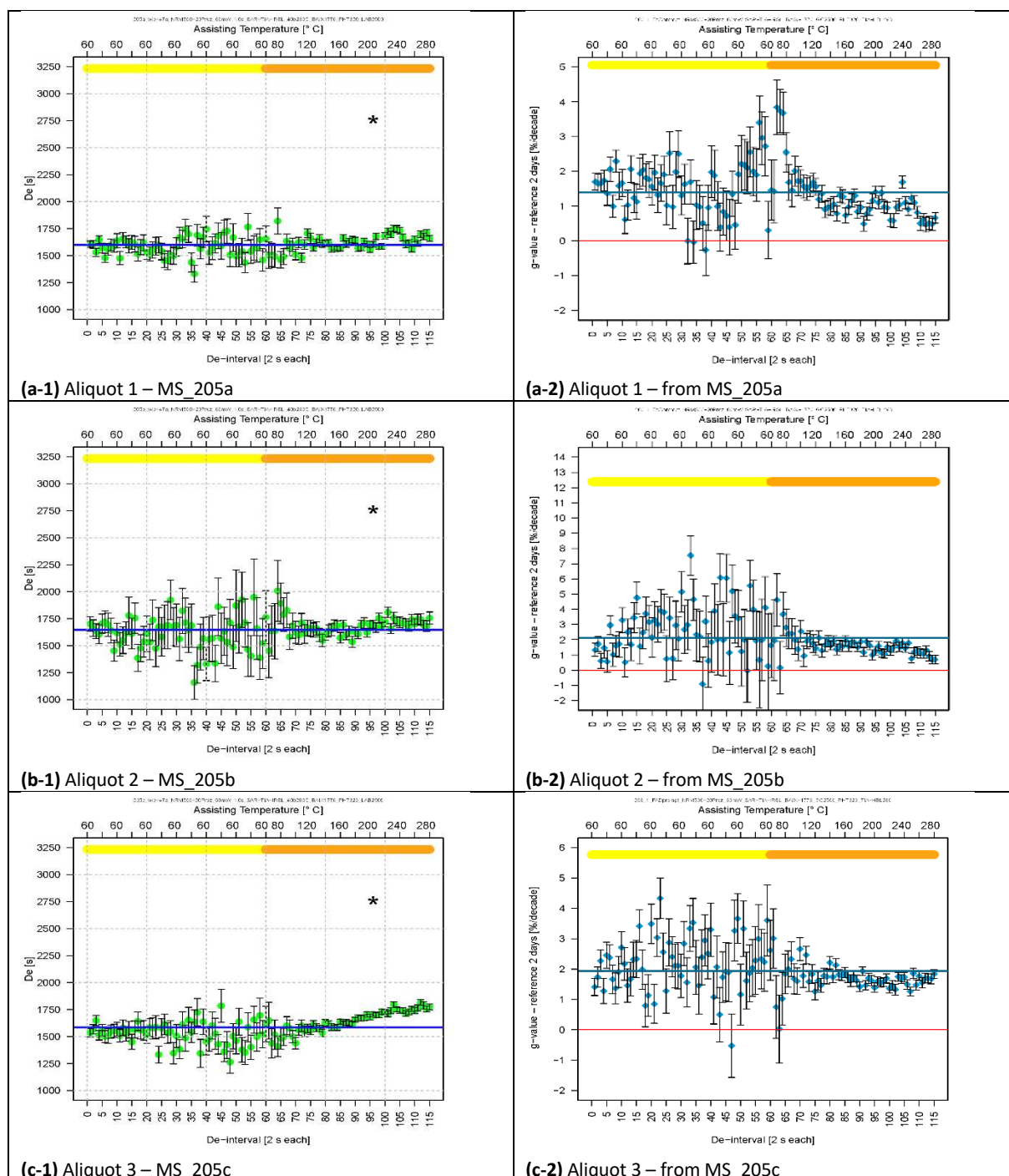
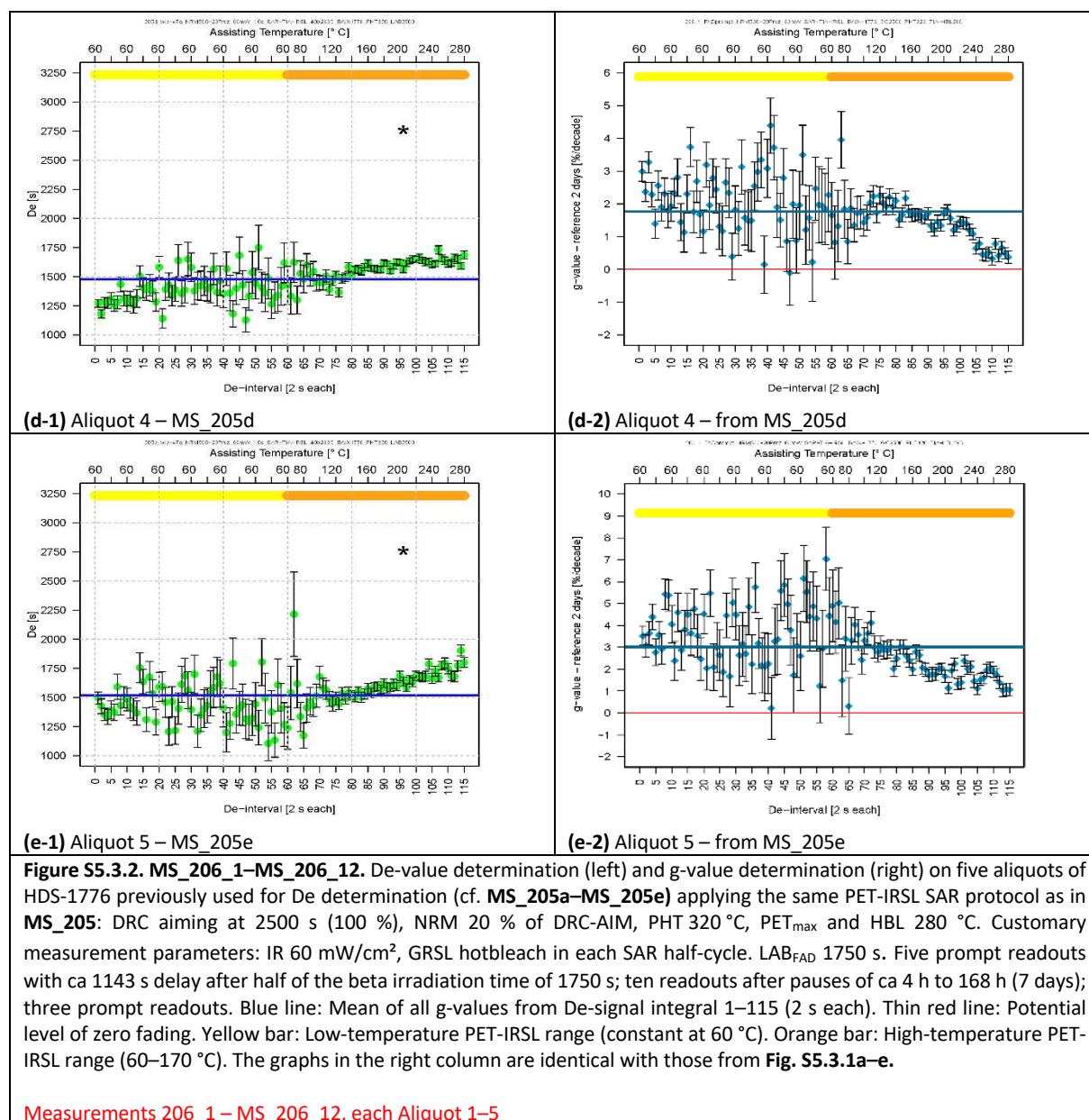


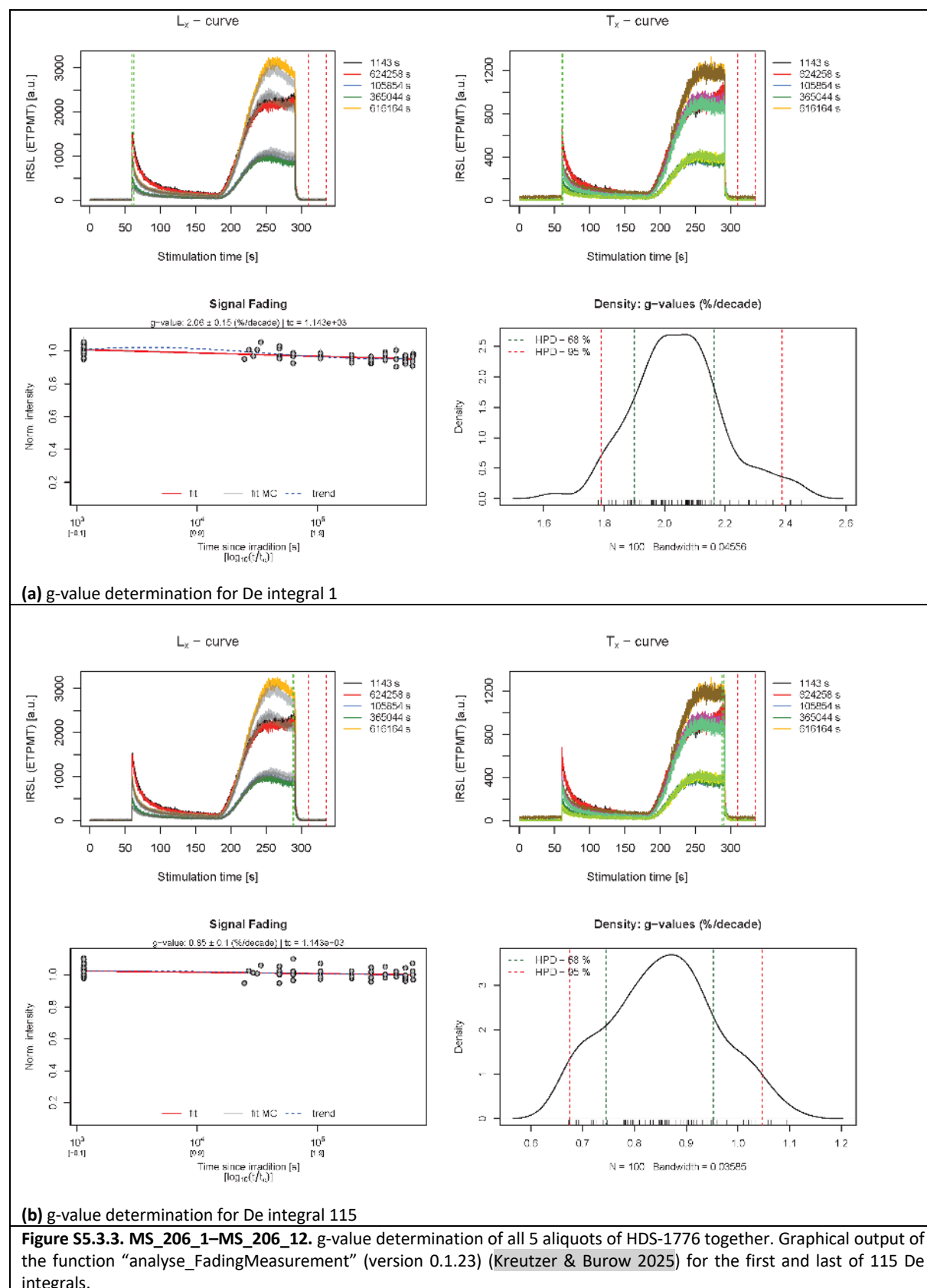
Figure S5.3.1. MS_206_1–MS_206_12. g-value determination on five aliquots of HDS-1776 previously used for De determination (cf. MS_205a–MS_205e) applying the same PET-IRSL SAR protocol as in MS_205: DRC aiming at 2500 s (100 %), NRM 20 % of DRC-AIM, PHT 320 °C, PET_{max} and HBL 280 °C. Customary measurement parameters: IR 60 mW/cm², GRSL hotbleach in each SAR half-cycle. LAB_{FAD} 1750 s. Five prompt readouts with ca 1143 s delay after half of the beta irradiation time of 1750 s; ten readouts after pauses of ca 4 h to 168 h (7 days); three prompt readouts. Blue line: Mean of all g-values from De-signal integral 1–115 (2 s each). Thin red line: Potential level of zero fading. Yellow bar: Low-temperature PET-IRSL range (constant at 60 °C). Orange bar: High-temperature PET-IRSL range (60–170 °C).

Measurements 206_1 – MS_206_12, each Aliquot 1–5

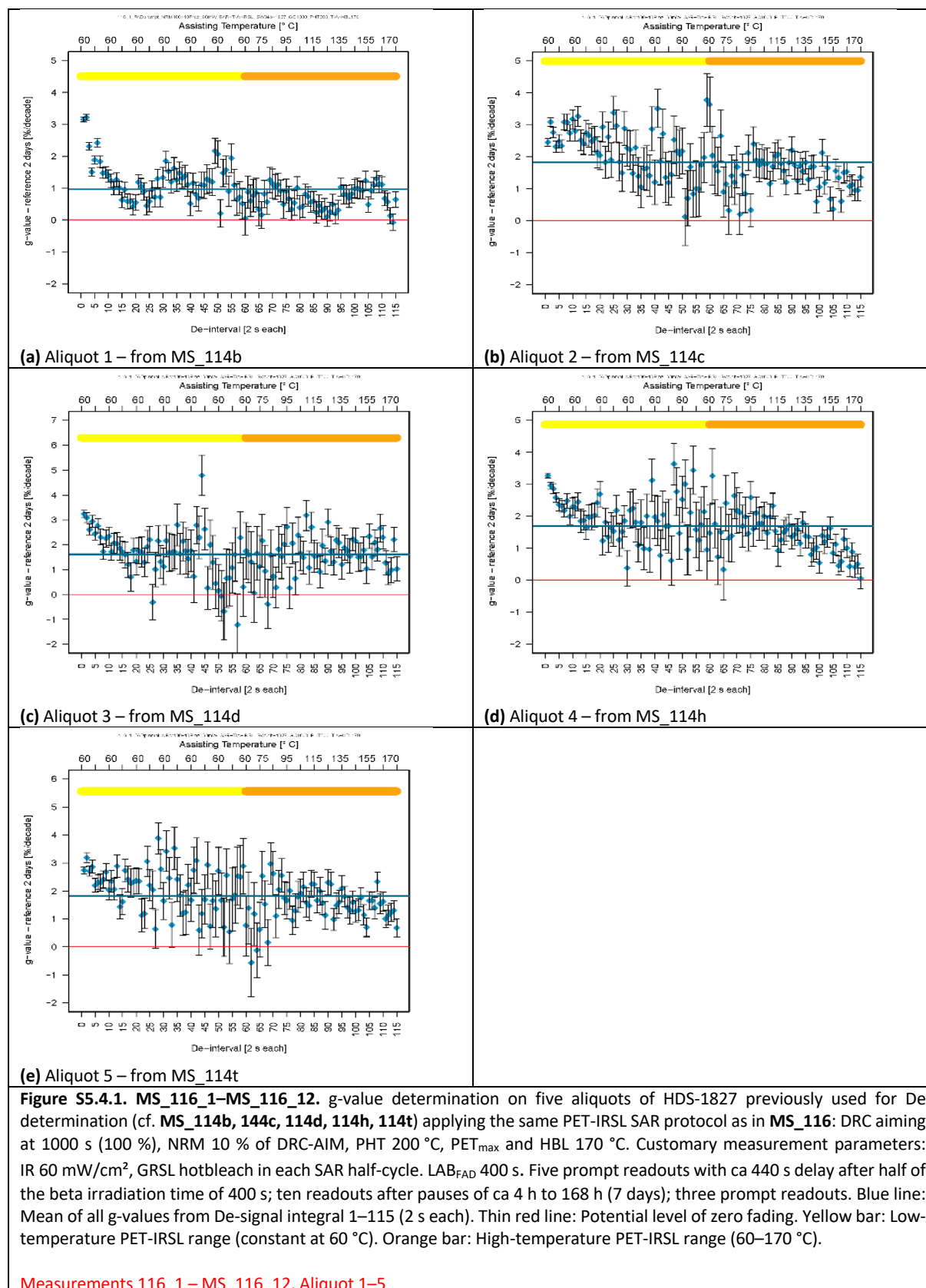
S5.3.1. Contrasting g-value data curves and De-value data curves of 5 aliquots of BAIX-1776 (cf. MS_205a–205b) – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – GC 2500 s – NRM 20 % of DRC-AIM – LAB 1750 s – PHT 320 °C – PET_{max} and HBL 280 °C



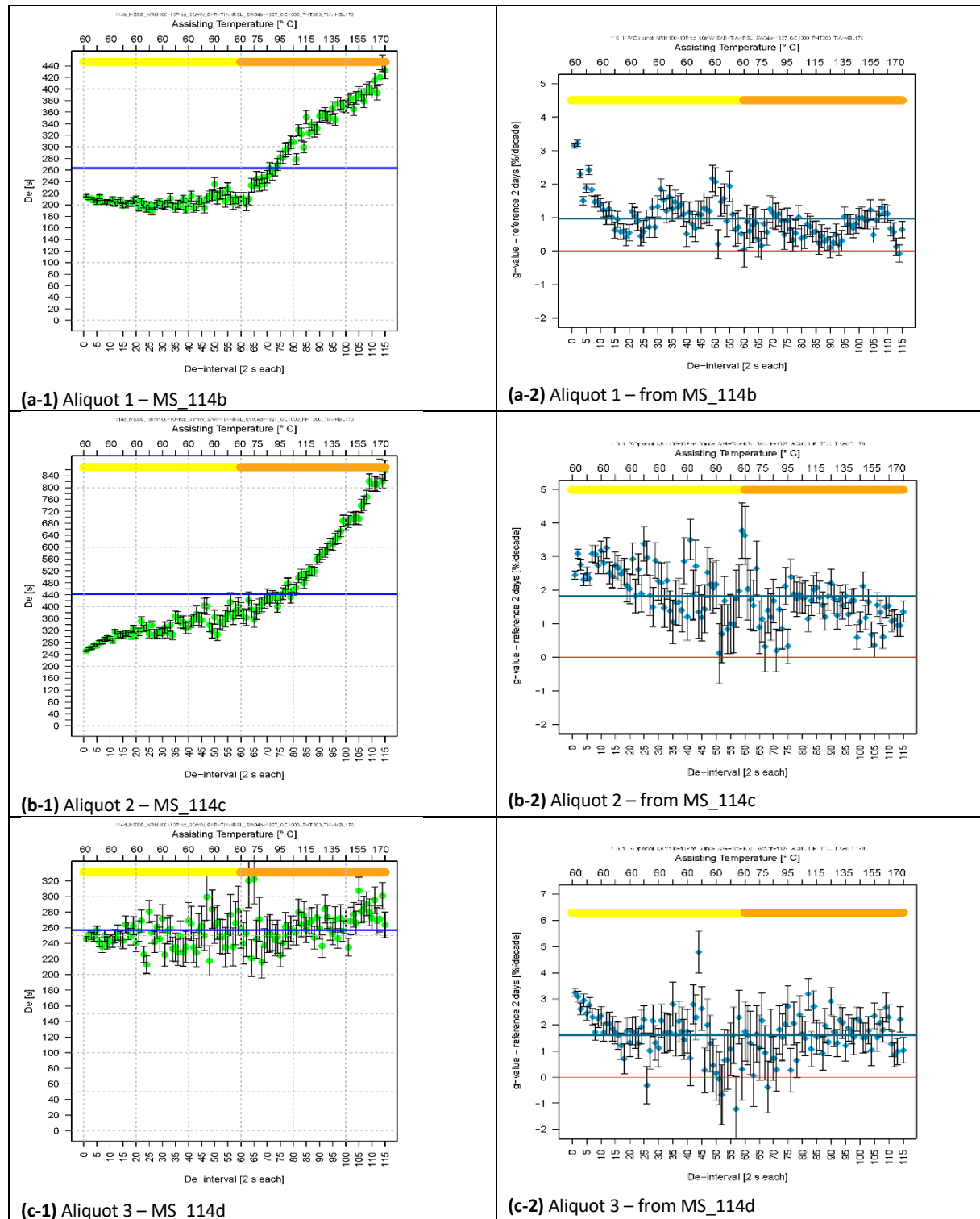


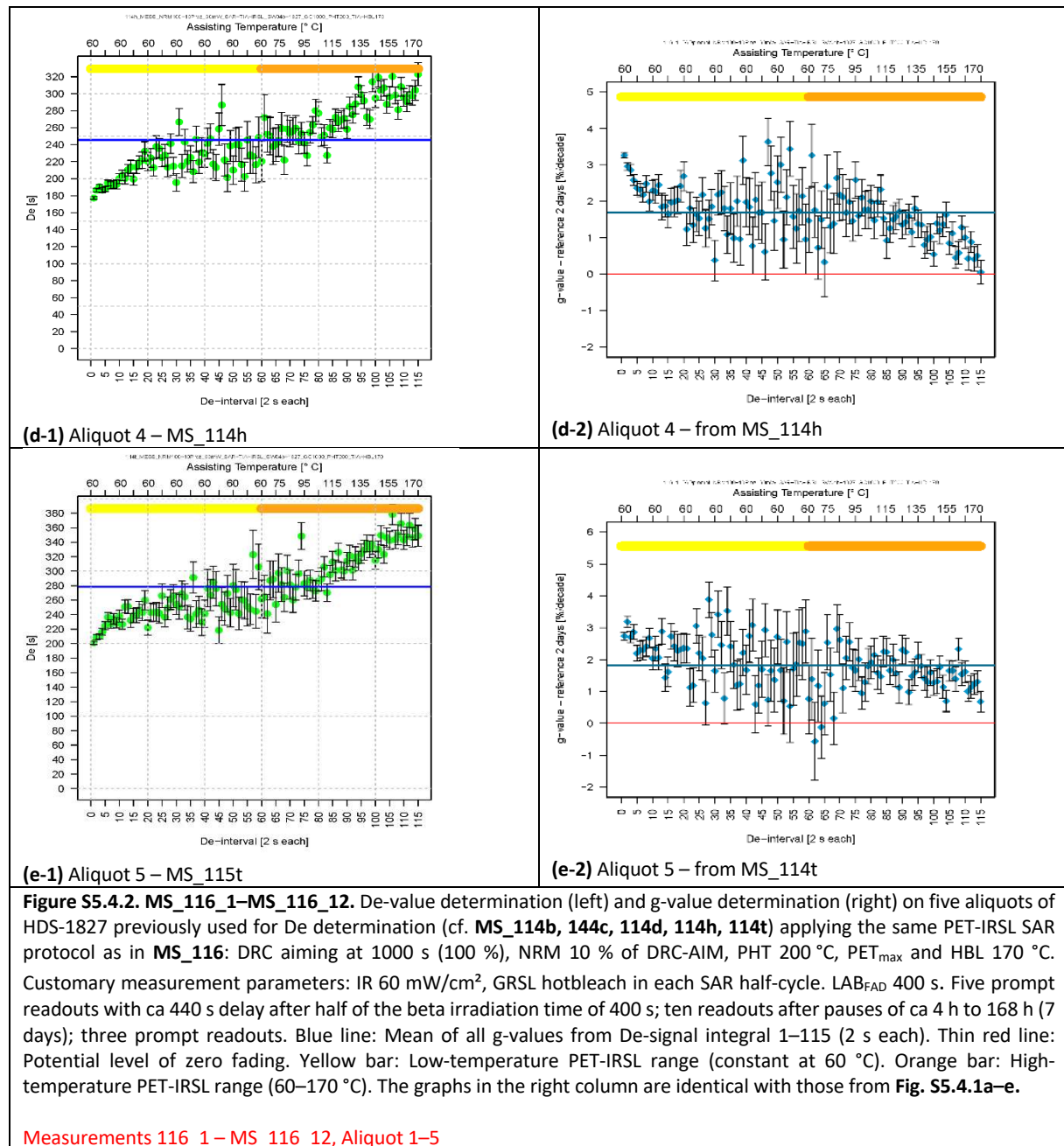


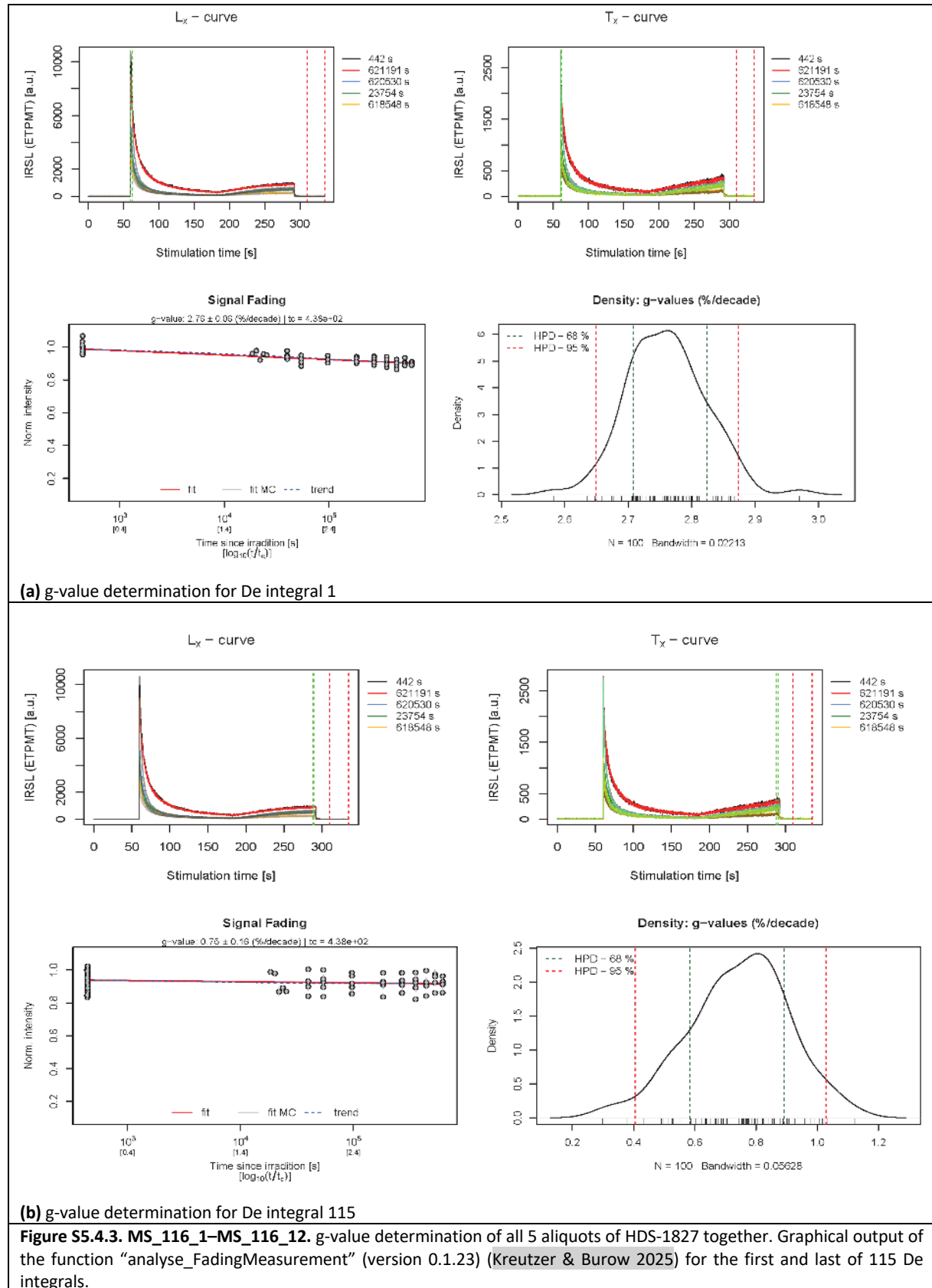
S5.4. g-value determination on 5 aliquots of SW04b-1827 (cf. MS_144b–114d, 114h, 114t) – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 1000 s – NRM 10 % of DRC-AIM – LAB 400 s – PHT 200 °C – PET_{max} and HBL 170 °C

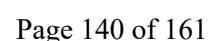


S5.4.1. Contrasting g-value data curves and De-value data curves of 5 aliquots of SW04b-1827 (cf. MS_144b–114d, 114h, 114t) – PET “classic” – IR 60 mW/cm² – GRSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 1000 s – NRM 10 % of DRC-AIM – LAB 400 s – PHT 200 °C – PET_{max} and HBL 170 °C

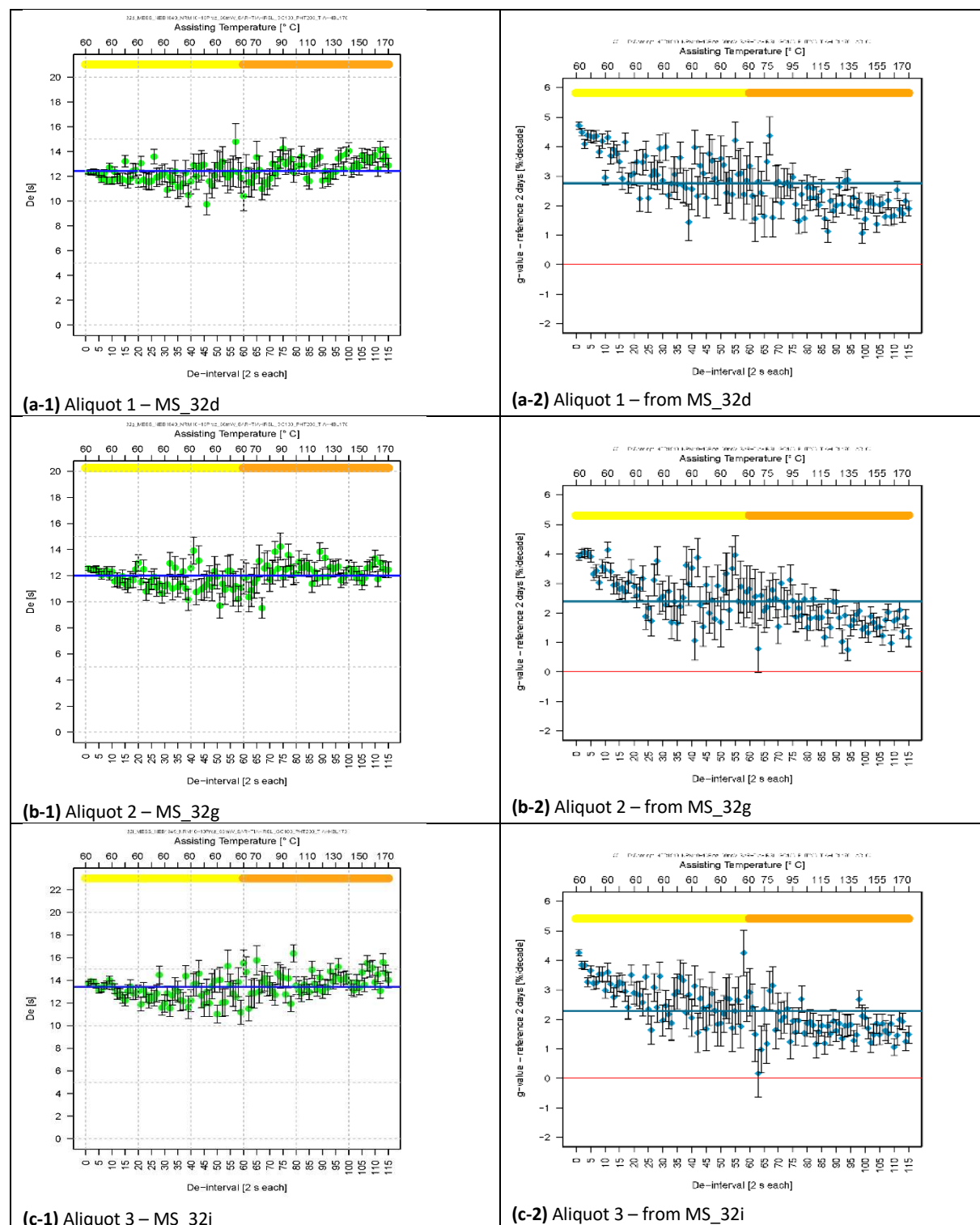


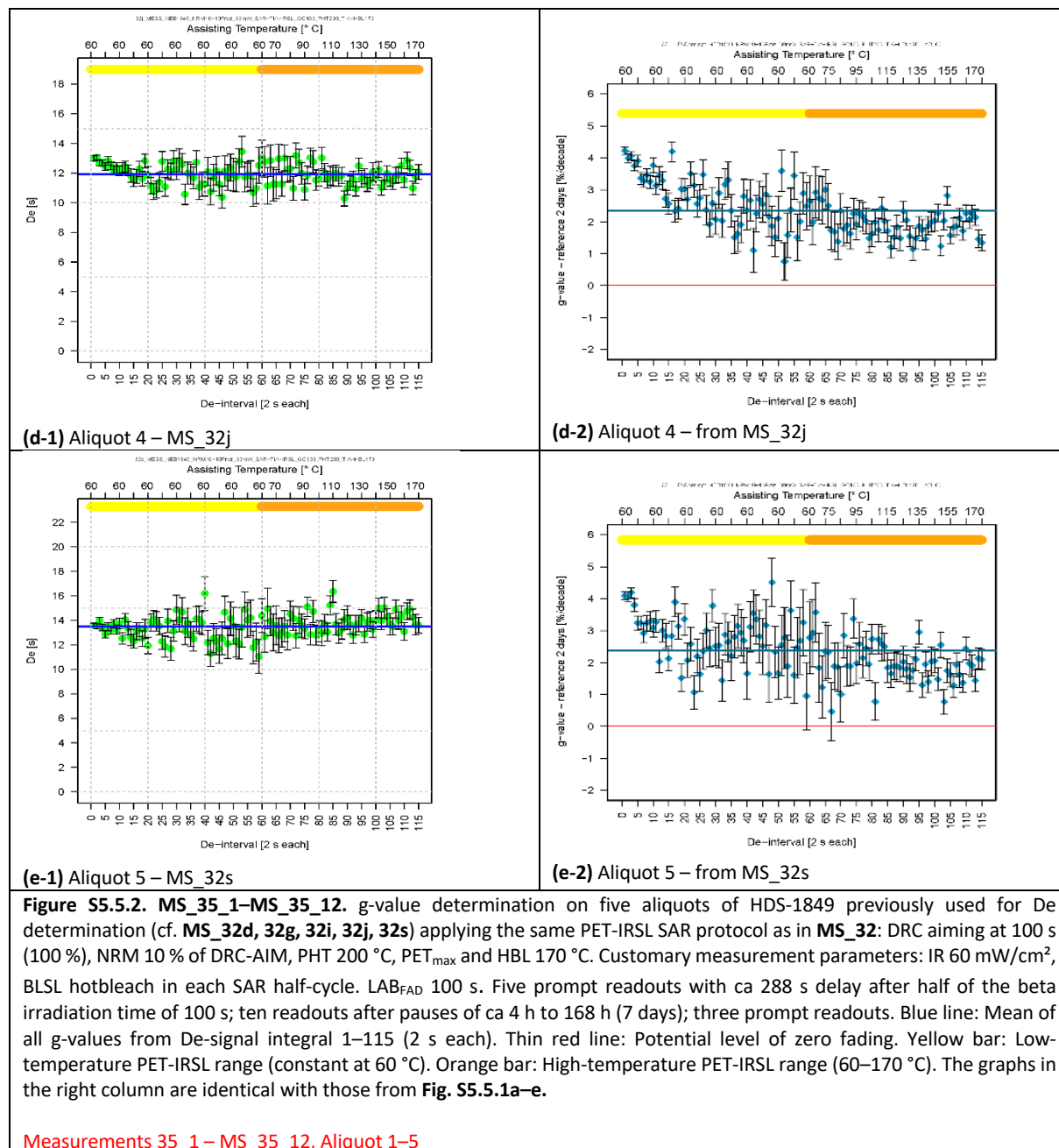


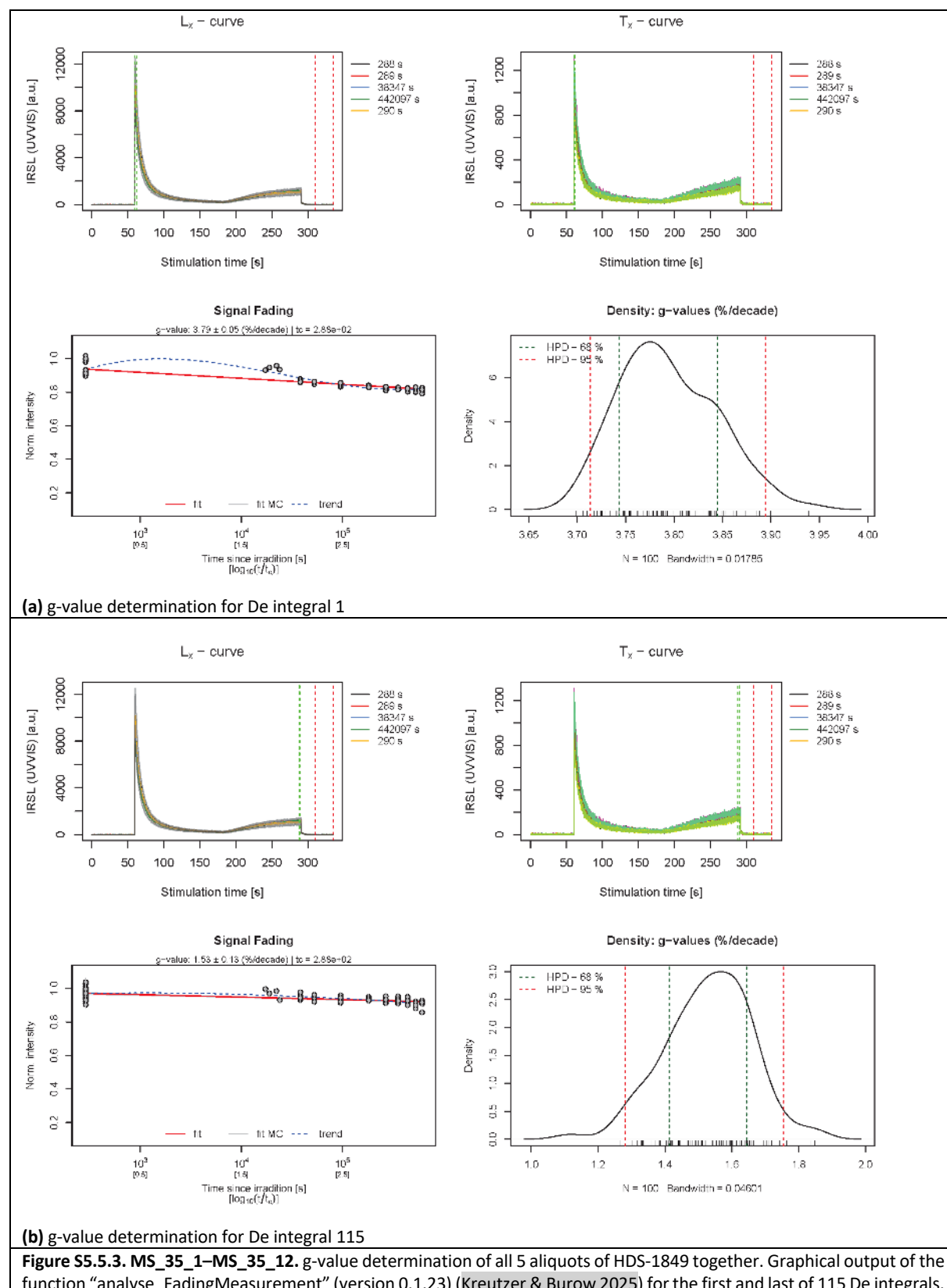




S5.5.1. Contrasting g-value data curves and De-value data curves of 5 aliquots of NEB-1849 (cf. MS_32d, 32g, 32i, 32j, 32s) – IR 60 mW/cm² – BLSL hotbleach every SAR half-cycle – DRC 100 s – NRM 10 % of DRC-AIM – LAB 100 s – PHT 200 °C – PET_{max} and HBL 170 °C







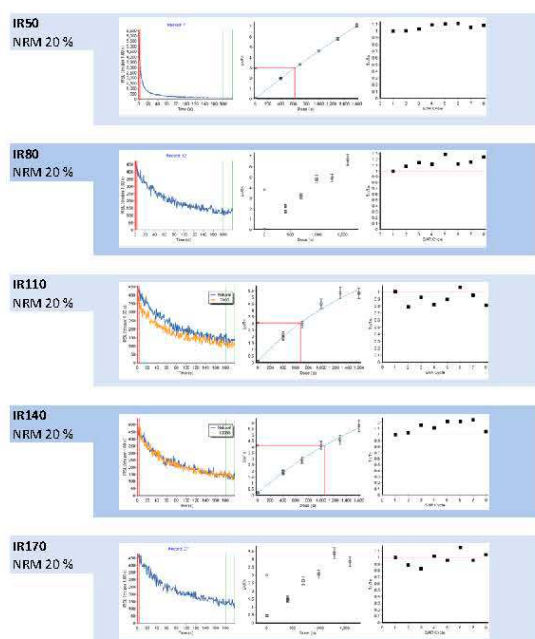
S6. pIR_{1st}/IR_{2nd} and MET-SAR measurements, PET-IRSL measurements on empty sample carriers, dose-rate data, and IRSL spectra

S6.1. De-range test with MET protocol after Fu & Li (2013) on sample HDS-1827

Table De range test with MET protocol after Fu & Li (2013) on sample HDS-1827 from drilling core SW04b. 1000 s (ca. 75.2 Gy) dose-response curve. NRM 20 % (200 s)

Aliquot/Position	HDS 1827				
	1 / 1	2 / 3	3 / 5	4 / 7	5 / 9
IR 50	De 623.78 ± 17.44	De 327.41 ± 12.30	De 197.65 ± 10.17	De 364.59 ± 11.65	De 531.76 ± 14.31
IR 80	858.61 ± 93.36	NAN	280.82 ± 51.25	464.65 ± 80.01	514.75 ± 79.27
IR 110	674.33 ± 72.72	430.23 ± 269.12	307.21 ± 61.18	378.41 ± 102.19	423.45 ± 117.83
IR 140	1056.53 ± 130.03	NAN	311.03 ± 63.98	707.54 ± 185.40	296.27 ± 179.45
IR 170	989.20 ± 124.54	638.94 ± 310.97	427.61 ± 81.68	420.23 ± 102.79	292.73 ± 111.04
	up and down	no plateau	no plateau	up and down	decrease

IR 50				IR 80				IR 110			
De	Err_De	Recu	Rejection	DE		Recu	Rejection	DE		Recu	Rejection
623.78 ± 17.44		1.59 ± 0.13		858.61 ± 93.36		1.10 ± 1.06	RecKat, MPE	674.33 ± 72			
327.41 ± 12.30		1.37 ± 0.17		NAN	NAN	11.65 ± 9.25	MTDE, MPE	430.23 ± 26			
197.65 ± 10.17		5.73 ± 0.66		280.82 ± 51.25		6.28 ± 5.46	MTDE, MPE	307.21 ± 61			
364.59 ± 11.65		0.90 ± 0.16		464.65 ± 80.01		1.73 ± 4.95	MTDE, MPE	378.41 ± 10			
531.76 ± 14.31		1.07 ± 0.10		514.75 ± 79.27		2.24 ± 2.41	MTDE, MPE	423.45 ± 11			



Figures left: Aliquot 1 (position 1), NRM 20 % (200 s) - no fit, if rejection

De range test, MET after (Fu & Li, 2013)

DRC-AIM: 1000 s (ca. 73.1 Gy)

DRC: 400/700/1000/1300/1600/0/400 s

NRM: 200 s (20 %)

DRC = dose response curve

LAB = laboratory dose

NRM = normalisation dose (test dose)

Sample HDS-1827

drilling core SW04b, 3 - 4 m b.g.l.

Luminescence reader

Rise TL/OSL Reader Model DA-20 ("Athenaeum")

dose rate [Gy/s]: 0.07306723 0.003704483

reference date: 07. Jul 25

Comments

The natural signal starts at the beginning of the IR50 shine down with ca. Many measurements would not meet the 10 % acceptance/rejection criterion. When accepting all measurements ups and downs (aliquots 1, 4) as well. That all aliquots do not show a plateau may be expected for a fluvial depos.

Figure S6.1. De-range test with MET protocol after Fu & Li (2013) on sample HDS-1827 from drilling core SW04b. 1000 s (ca. 75.2 Gy) dose-response curve (DRC). NRM 20 % (200 s)

S6.2. Tests of $pIR_{1st}IR_{2nd}$ for HDS-1776 on Risø model DA20 (No. 240, “Athenaeum”) – Comparing $pIR_{60}IR_{225}$ after preheat 280 °C with $pIR_{60}IR_{280}$ after preheat 320 °C and “one-run-at-a-time”

HDS-1776 had been dated with a $pIR_{60}IR_{225}$ protocol using a preheat of 280 °C for 60 s (Pfaffner et al., 2025; 1st measurement; **Fig. S6.2.1**). In this study, we used a preheat of 320 °C for 60 s for the PET-IRSL method and repeated the $pIR_{60}IR_{225}$ SAR measurement on the same luminescence reader type Risø model DA20 (No. 240, “Athenaeum”) as utilized by Pfaffner et al. (2025), this time applying a preheat of 320 °C for 60 s (2nd measurement; **Fig. S6.2.2**). In addition, we tested preheat 320 °C for 60 s on the Risø reader in a “run one at a time” mode (**Fig. S6.2.1**), which compares to the way of measurement on the *lexsygresearch* readers. The results are compiled in **Fig. S6.2.1–S6.2.3** showing no significant difference between the three De-value data sets. We conclude that the higher preheat temperature does not have a significant effect on the resulting De values. However, a higher preheat temperature allows for producing a longer, still meaningful PET-IRSL De-value data curve up to 280 °C PET_{max}, whereas PET-IRSL readout would be meaningful only up to ca 260 °C at maximum for preheat 280 °C. As in this study we want to monitor PET-IRSL readout to the greatest possible extent, we used a maximally high but still reasonable PHT of 320 °C, at least for the oldest sample HDS-1776. For the younger samples HDS-1827 and HDS-1849, however, such high preheat temperature proved not adequate (cf. main text, **section 4.1–4.3**).

turntable position [#]	aliquot [#]	determined dose [s irradiation time] [0 - 1 s]		determined dose [s irradiation time] [0 - 4 s]		Diff long vs. short De integral [s irradiation time] [0 - 4 s] - [0 - 1 s]	
1	1	2951.53	96.78	2945.67	95.18		-5.86
3	2	2702.90	118.91	2662.48	96.40		-40.42
5	3	2626.76	87.63	2646.23	83.01		19.47
7	4	2487.33	84.63	2461.29	78.25		-26.04
9	5	2639.41	103.44	2630.97	91.86		-8.44
11	6	2627.29	78.73	2631.26	78.40		3.97
13	7	3402.51	147.31	3535.99	126.85		133.48
15	8	2278.23	79.37	2281.39	71.79		3.16
17	9	2725.76	87.73	2834.26	84.40		108.50
19	10	2600.89	75.60	2673.12	75.85		72.23
21	11	2344.51	110.50	2409.90	116.23		65.39
23	12	2707.56	87.42	2744.31	83.76		36.75
25	13	2509.07	76.71	2558.31	75.33		49.24
27	14	2986.67	84.29	2954.98	80.61		-31.69
29	15	2805.22	91.81	2852.35	92.90		47.13
31	16	n.a.		n.a.			
33	17	2696.17	77.56	2697.15	76.96		0.98
35	18	3155.04	100.51	3144.17	99.98		-10.87
37	19	3227.81	115.12	3197.45	102.99		-30.36
39	20	3011.29	85.41	2981.53	84.64		-29.76
41	21	2008.77	80.95	2057.09	68.46		48.32
43	22	2509.08	88.51	2520.23	75.74		11.15
45	23	3532.65	133.90	3547.10	126.94		14.45
47	24	2527.97	74.58	2523.19	72.26		-4.78
central dose:		2720.50	71.20	2738.90	71.20		
							426.00 but not

Figure S6.2.1. $\text{pIR}_{60}\text{IR}_{225}$ after preheat 280 °C on HDS-1776. 1st measurement (from Pfaffner et al., 2025).

	turntable position	aliquot	determined dose		determined dose		Diff long vs. short De integral
	[#]	[#]	[s irradiation time] [0 - 1 s]		[s irradiation time] [0 - 4 s]		[s irradiation time] [0 - 4 s] - [0 - 1 s]
RecRat	1	1	4175.06	174.36	4122.12	168.82	-52.94
	3	2	3530.47	161.04	3349.41	142.22	-181.06
	5	3	2610.15	101.63	2681.52	99.13	71.37
	7	4	3161,7	191.87	3142,13	170.98	
	9	5	3211,34	182.35	3226,35	176.39	
	11	6	3089,5	194.90	3138,73	174.96	
	13	7	2858.96	94.08	2878.17	91.84	19.21
	15	8	3145,11	148.64	3131.62	131.82	
	17	9	2910,33	133.73	2993.44	125.84	
	19	10	2412.60	130.59	2348.45	108.34	-64.15
	21	11	2609.64	155.41	2639.43	148.55	29.79
	23	12	3218.17	177.58	3251.23	170.25	33.06
	25	13	2797.50	106.91	2794.03	96.72	-3.47
	27	14	3435.27	154.99	3395.66	143.12	-39.61
	29	15	2792.04	124.90	2824.76	115.39	32.72
	31	16	3139.79	155.28	3155.81	131.51	
	33	17	2787,66	129.60	2754.99	110.53	
	35	18	3044.08	103.91	3030.06	100.19	-14.02
	37	19	2330.92	83.93	2383.47	82.73	52.55
	39	20	2889.08	114.28	2861.39	98.29	-27.69
RecRat	41	21	2213.42	135.72	2235.69	99.84	22.27
	43	22	2815.57	133.43	2784.23	120.61	-31.34
	45	23	3002.95	120.44	2972.22	109.33	-30.73
	47	24	2582.72	104.27	2634.50	95.92	51.78
	central dose:		2881.90	102.20	2888.50	84.20	
							-132.26 but n

Figure S6.2.2. pIR₆₀IR₂₈₀ after preheat 320 °C on HDS-1776. 2nd measurement.

turntable position [#]	aliquot [#]	determined dose [s irradiation time] [0 - 1 s]		determined dose [s irradiation time] [0 - 4 s]		Diff long vs. short De integral [s irradiation time] [0 - 4 s] - [0 - 1 s]	N = 24
1	1	4170.75	179.38	4179.22	172.94	8.47	
3	2	3545.08	143.87	3414.10	125.52	-130.98	
5	3	2673.53	98.32	2771.79	90.12	98.26	
7	4	2810.03	101.96	2839.18	94.52	29.15	
9	5	2791.15	104.83	2805.28	104.00	14.13	
11	6	2701.09	103.11	2770.77	96.24	69.68	
13	7	2859.31	98.20	2862.72	95.26	3.41	
15	8	3202.37	119.22	3201.19	112.68	-1.18	
17	9	2991.96	113.65	3065.30	108.77	73.34	
19	10	2232.52	97.69	2202.44	85.13	-30.08	
21	11	2460.09	89.42	2529.33	87.20	69.24	
23	12	3044.06	116.60	3075.32	114.39	31.26	
25	13	2750.81	112.22	2765.89	100.99	15.08	
27	14	3358.37	133.97	3295.77	120.63	-62.60	
29	15	2796.88	97.01	2808.34	94.95	11.46	
31	16	3202.65	112.91	3190.02	107.39	-12.63	
33	17	2801.24	95.83	2755.20	90.54	-46.04	
35	18	3023.91	101.86	3034.33	98.33	10.42	
37	19	2248.28	87.12	2292.61	85.28	44.33	
39	20	2802.21	109.80	2796.40	96.56	-5.81	Start
41	21	1960.26	143.21	2006.06	99.05	45.80	Dose rate
43	22	2582.27	90.44	2605.68	86.99	23.41	dose rate
45	23	3034.08	102.98	2995.93	95.83	-38.15	De [s]
47	24	2566.15	89.13	2628.12	89.09	61.97	age [ka]
central dose:		2831.10	35.50	2841.30	83.20		
281.94 but not systematical							

Figure S6.2.3. pIR₆₀/IR₂₈₀ after preheat 320 °C on HDS-1776. 3rd measurement (“one-run-at-a-time” mode).

S6.3. $pIR_{50}IR_{170}$ after preheat 200 °C on HDS-1849. Dose-recovery tests, zero-dose test and De-measurements

Table Dose recovery tests, zero-dose test and De-measurements with $pIR_{50}IR_{170}$ protocol on sample HDS-1849 from						
Measurement-No.	Measurement-Type	Expected De [s]	IR50 De [s]	Err_De [s]	IR170 De [s]	Err_De [s]
MS_47a	DRT-NRM10	15 [^]	16.15	0.36	15.17	0.41
MS_47b	DRT-NRM20	15 [^]	16.53	0.30	15.05	0.38
MS_47c	DRT-NRM30	15 [^]	16.32	0.28	15.76	0.28
MS_47d	DRT-NRM40	15 [^]	16.75	0.25	16.14	0.30
MS_47e	DRT-NRM50	15 [^]	16.61	0.21	16.22	0.21
MS_49a	DRT-Zero-Dose - NRM10	0 [#]	0.50	0.05	2.93	0.11
MS_48a	MESS - NRM10	ca 13 - 15 [*]	13.22	0.32	14.16	0.40
MS_48b	MESS - NRM10	ca 13 - 15 [*]	11.57	0.23	12.93	0.27
MS_48c	MESS - NRM10	ca 13 - 15 [*]	11.81	0.30	12.48	0.39

[^] Administered dose (LAB)
[#] Aliquot bleached, no dose applied
^{*} Expectation based on PET-IRSL SAR measurements

Comments

- The dose recovery tests recover the administered dose of 15 s reasonably well.
- The zero-dose test shows a larger residual dose for IR170 than PET-IRSL SAR.
- The De measurements corroborate the tentative PET-IRSL SAR De determinations.

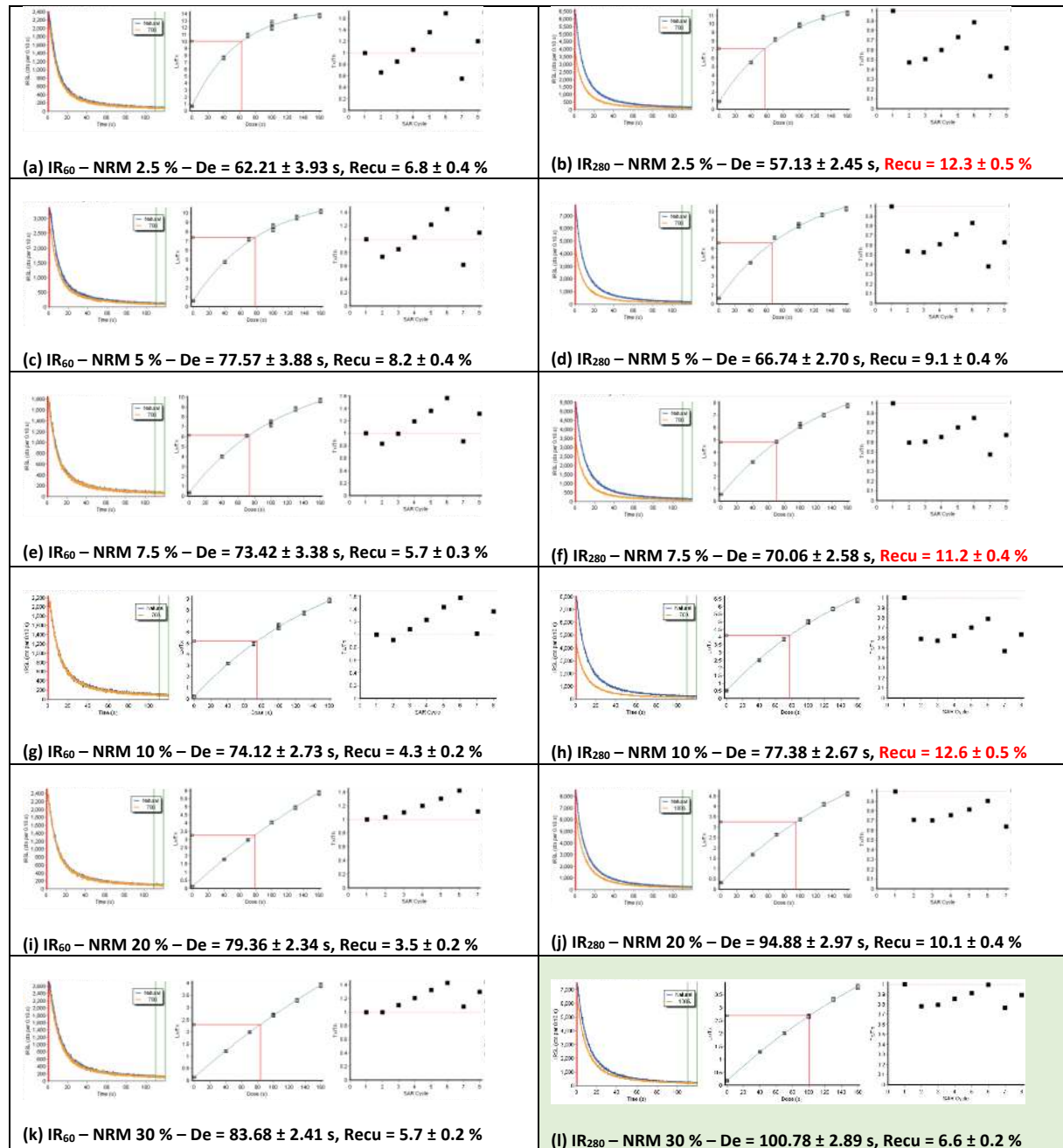
$pIR_{50}IR_{170}$ -protocol largely following Buckland et al. (2019) except for:

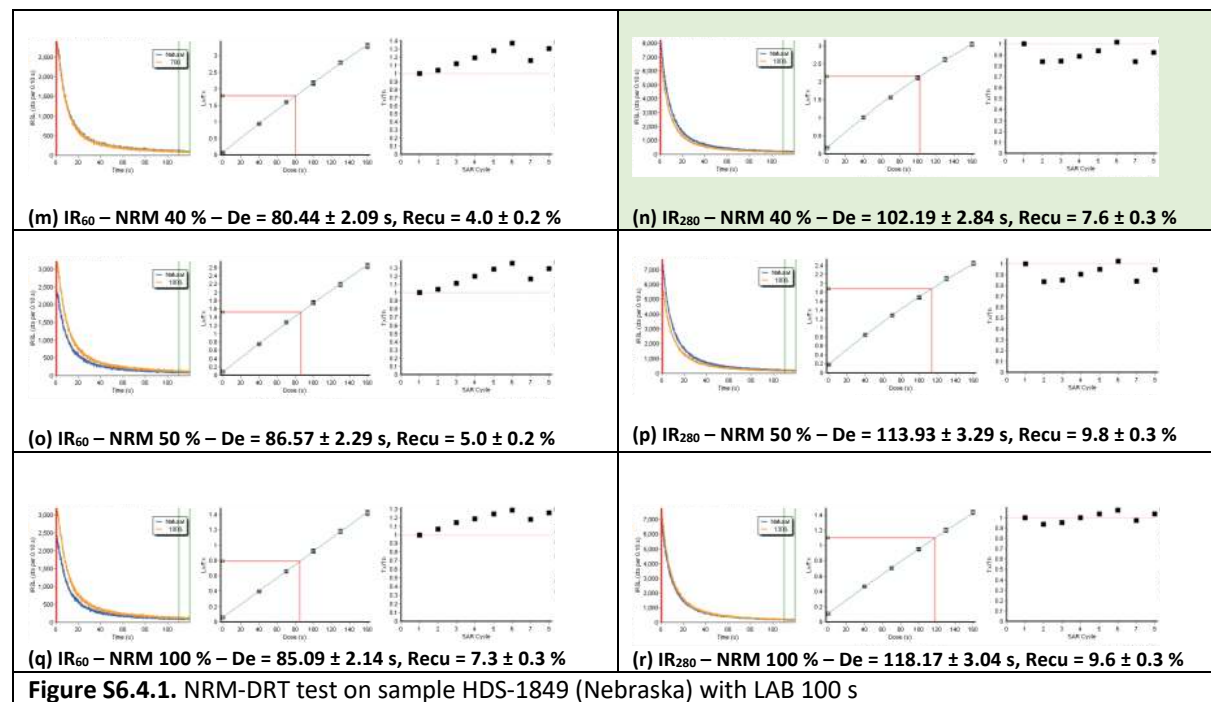
- PHT-TL at 200 °C for 60 s (instead of 10 s)
- IRSL-HBL at 280 °C for 100 s (instead of 290 °C for 50 s)
- REGs for DRC-construction 40/70/100/130/160/0/100 s

Figure S6.3. $pIR_{50}IR_{170}$ after preheat 200 °C on HDS-1849. Dose-recovery tests, zero-dose test and De-measurements.

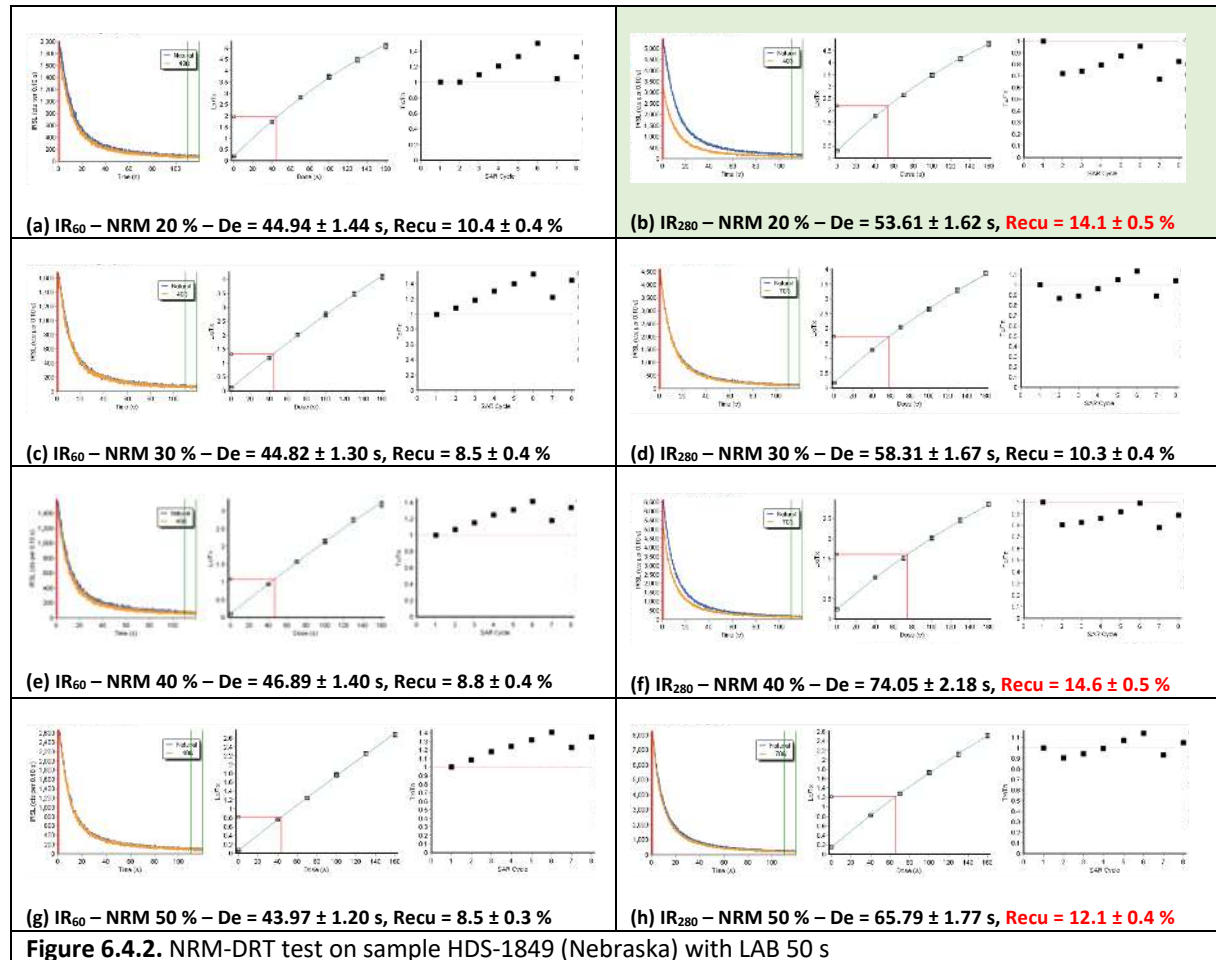
S6.4. pIR₆₀IR₂₈₀ – NEB-1849 – LR04 (COLOUR)

S6.4.1. NRM-DRT pIR₆₀IR₂₈₀ – LAB 100



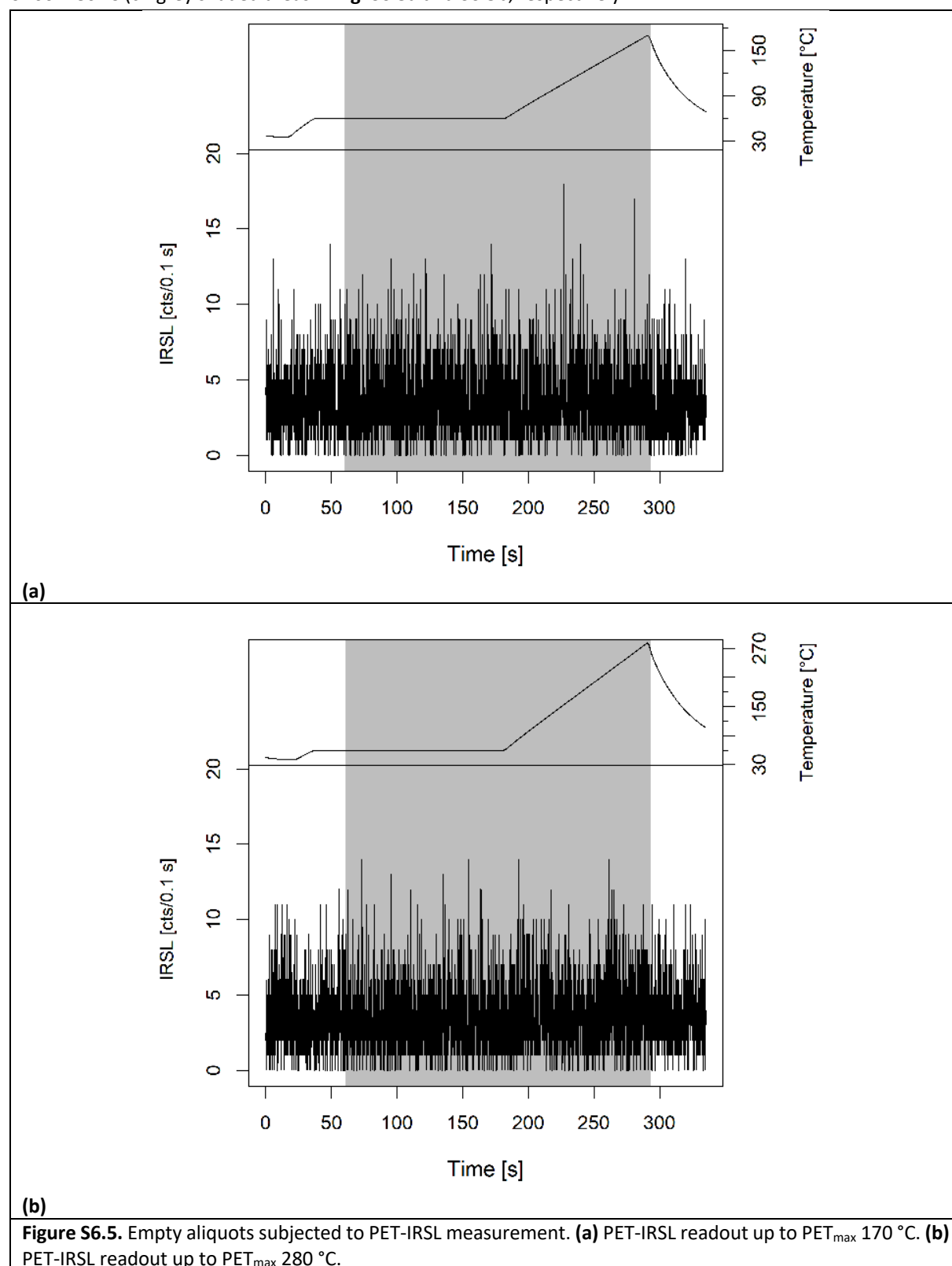


S6.4.2. NRM-DRT pIR₆₀IR₂₈₀ – LAB 50



S6.5. Empty aliquots subjected to PET-IRSL measurement

No increased background signal was observed on empty aliquots during the actual PET-IRSL readout 60–170 °C or 60–280 °C (cf. grey shaded areas in **Fig. S6.5a** and **S6.5b**, respectively).

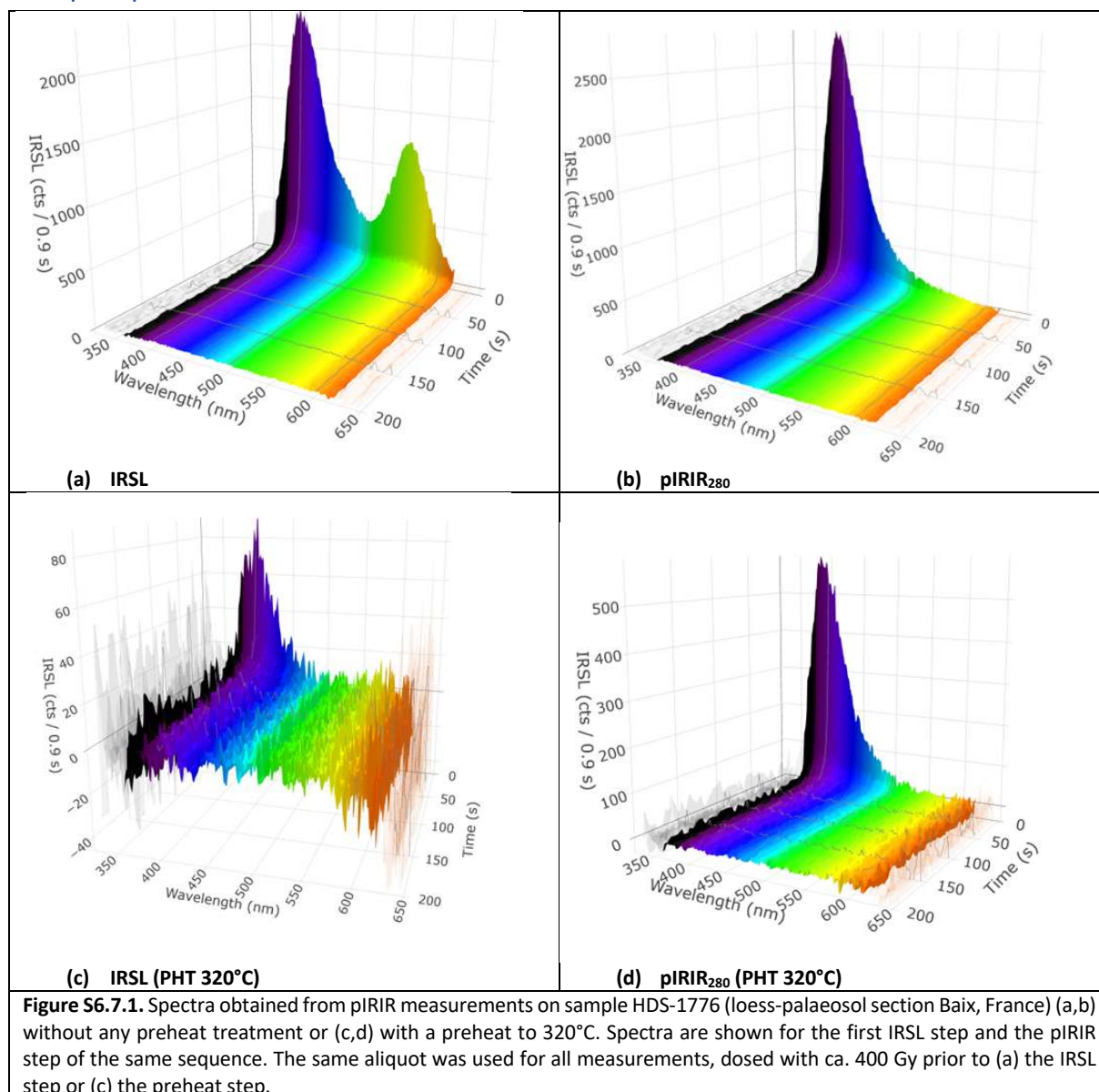


S6.6. Assessment of the effective dose rates for HDS-1827 and HDS-1849

Lab.-No.	De_bet	Err_De_bet	OD.Proz	Err_OD.Proz	DL_kosm	Err_DL_kosm	U	Err_U	Th	Err_Th	K	Err_K	Feuchte_mess	Feuchte_mod	Err_Feu
HDS-1849 - 12.5 %	1.326	0.049	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.658706449	0.107798476	3.53463101	0.361396907	1.918499756	0.061394789	1.01	1.01	
HDS-1849 - 12.0 % - Norfloat Potash	1.326	0.049	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.658706449	0.107798476	3.53463101	0.361396907	1.918499756	0.061394789	1.01	1.01	
HDS-1849 - 10.4 % - G40	1.326	0.049	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.658706449	0.107798476	3.53463101	0.361396907	1.918499756	0.061394789	1.01	1.01	
HDS-1849 - 4.1 % - F20	1.326	0.049	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.658706449	0.107798476	3.53463101	0.361396907	1.918499756	0.061394789	1.01	1.01	
HDS-1849 - 12.5 %	1.432	0.053	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.658706449	0.107798476	3.53463101	0.361396907	1.918499756	0.061394789	1.01	1.01	
HDS-1849 - 12.0 % - Norfloat Potash	1.432	0.053	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.658706449	0.107798476	3.53463101	0.361396907	1.918499756	0.061394789	1.01	1.01	
HDS-1849 - 10.4 % - G40	1.432	0.053	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.658706449	0.107798476	3.53463101	0.361396907	1.918499756	0.061394789	1.01	1.01	
HDS-1849 - 4.1 % - F20	1.432	0.053	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.658706449	0.107798476	3.53463101	0.361396907	1.918499756	0.061394789	1.01	1.01	
HDS-1849 - 12.5 %	1.538	0.056	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.658706449	0.107798476	3.53463101	0.361396907	1.918499756	0.061394789	1.01	1.01	
HDS-1849 - 12.0 % - Norfloat Potash	1.538	0.056	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.658706449	0.107798476	3.53463101	0.361396907	1.918499756	0.061394789	1.01	1.01	
HDS-1849 - 10.4 % - G40	1.538	0.056	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.658706449	0.107798476	3.53463101	0.361396907	1.918499756	0.061394789	1.01	1.01	
HDS-1849 - 4.1 % - F20	1.538	0.056	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.658706449	0.107798476	3.53463101	0.361396907	1.918499756	0.061394789	1.01	1.01	
HDS-1827 - 12.5 %	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.9771	0.0923	4.780975415	0.314530279	1.3712	0.0585	1.5	1.5	
HDS-1827 - 12.0 % - Norfloat Potash	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.9771	0.0923	4.780975415	0.314530279	1.3712	0.0585	1.5	1.5	
HDS-1827 - 10.4 % - G40	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.9771	0.0923	4.780975415	0.314530279	1.3712	0.0585	1.5	1.5	
HDS-1827 - 4.1 % - F20	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.1	0.05	0.9771	0.0923	4.780975415	0.314530279	1.3712	0.0585	1.5	1.5	
	Line 2-5: Fig. 18c, 12.5 s														
	Line 7-10: Fig. 18b, 13.5 s														
	Line 12-15: Fig. 18b, 14.5 s														

Figure S6.6. Assessment of the effective dose rates for HDS-1827 and HDS-1849 based on the range of potassium contents of the three feldspar specimens Norfloat potash, G40 and F20.

S6.7. Results of the IRSL spectral measurements on the sediment samples and feldspar specimens



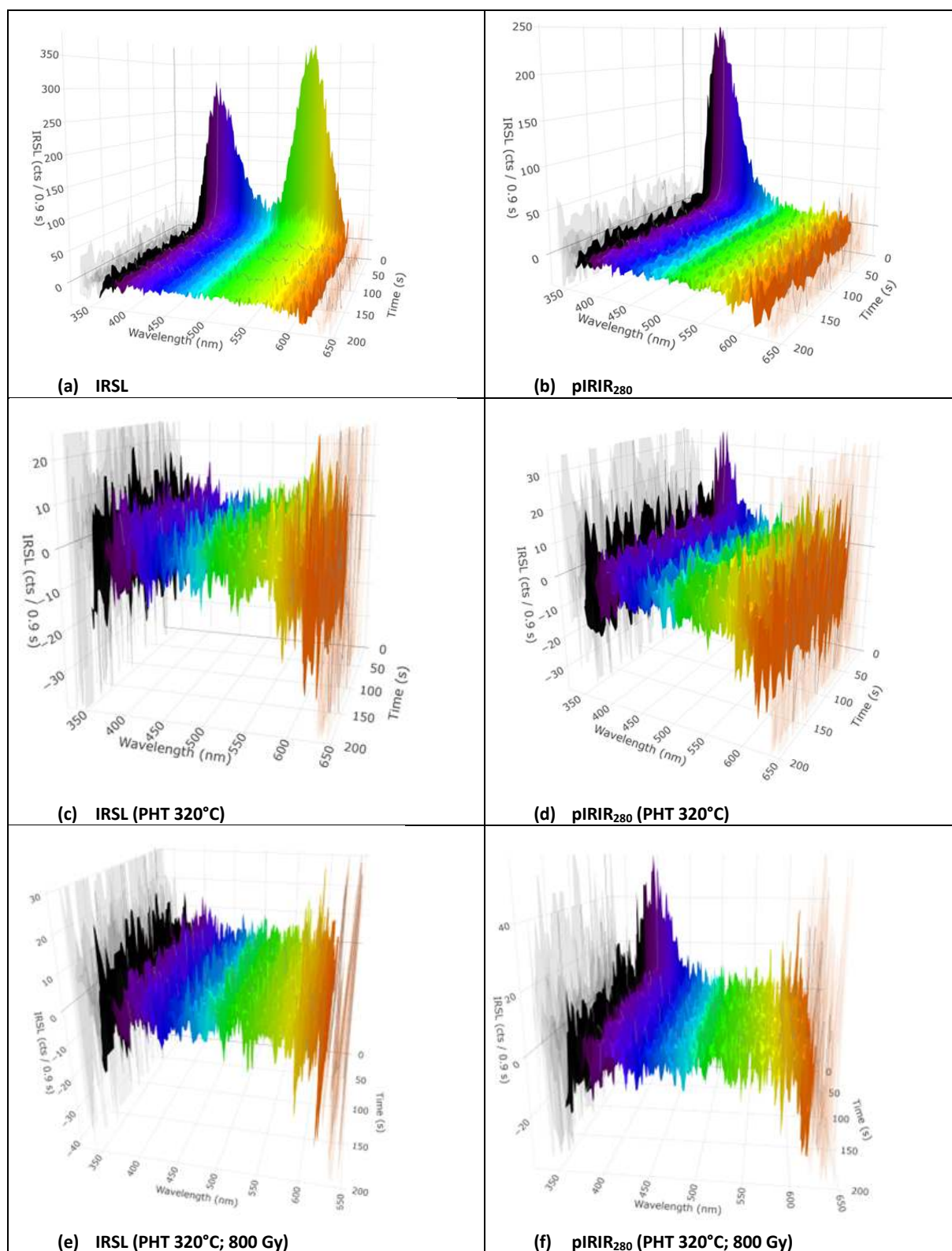


Figure S6.7.2. Spectra obtained from pIRIR measurements on sample HDS-1827 (Bergstraßenneckar, Germany) (a,b) without any preheat treatment or (c,d) with a preheat to 320°C. Spectra are shown for the first IRSL step and the pIRIR step of the same sequence. The same aliquot was used for all measurements, dosed with ca. 400 Gy prior to (a) the IRSL step or (c) the preheat step. (e,f) Given the low signal intensity obtained for this sample, the measurement with a preheat was repeated with a higher given dose of ca. 800 Gy prior to the preheat step.

