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9	Abstract

The solubility of tungsten trioxide solid and the speciation of tungsten in NaCl-bearing solutions have 10 been investigated through experiments conducted at 250, 300, and 350 °C under vapour-saturated 11 water pressure. Based on the results of these experiments, the solubility of tungsten trioxide was 12 13 controlled by temperature and pH, whereas the NaCl concentration did not affect the solubility except 14 through its influence on the ionic strength of the solution. Two tungsten species were found to be present in the solutions, namely  $H_2WO_4^0$  at low pH and  $HWO_4^-$  at higher pH. These two species 15 formed via the reactions  $WO_3 + H_2O = H_2WO_4^0$  and  $WO_3 + H_2O = HWO_4^- + H^+$ , respectively. The 16 logarithms of the equilibrium constants for these reactions are  $-5.18 \pm 0.26$ ,  $-4.97 \pm 0.25$ ,  $-4.69 \pm 0.10$ , 17 and -7.91± 0.30, -7.67± 0.29, -7.52± 0.18 for 250, 300, and 350 °C, respectively. In addition, the 18 logarithms of the first and second association constants of  $H_2WO_4^0$  were determined to be 2.72, 2.71, 19 2.83, and 5.59, 6.49, 8.07 for 250, 300, and 350 °C, respectively. These values indicate that  $H_2WO_4^{0}$  is 20 only important at low pH values (< 2.8), and that  $HWO_4^-$  is the dominant tungsten species at pH 21 conditions commonly encountered in nature. The data obtained in this study were used to model the 22 23 solubility of scheelite and ferberite. This modeling indicates that tungsten concentrations are highest at high temperature in solutions with high salinity, low contents of calcium and iron, and either very 24 25 low or high pH. The opposite is true for tungsten mineral precipitation from a fluid.

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28 Formation constants.

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#### **1. INTRODUCTION**

Numerous studies have shown that economic tungsten deposits (dominantly greisen and quartz-vein 30 type in which scheelite and/or wolframite are the ore minerals) form from NaCl-dominated brines 31 (3~12 wt.% NaCl) at temperatures in the range 200 °C to 400 °C (Campbell and Robinsoncook, 1987; 32 Polya, 1989; Bailly et al., 2002; Lu et al., 2003; Romer and Lüders, 2006; Wei et al., 2012; Ni et al., 33 2015; Zhu and Peng, 2015; Lecumberri-Sanchez et al., 2017; Soloviev and Kryazhev, 2017; Korges et 34 35 al., 2018). Most of these studies have also proposed models for the formation of the ores, e.g., fluid mixing, cooling, boiling, and fluid-rock interaction (Campbell et al., 1984; Polya, 1988; Bailly et al., 36 2002; Lu et al., 2003; Ni et al., 2015; Lecumberri-Sanchez et al., 2017; Korges et al., 2018). In order, 37 however, to reliably model tungsten ore formation, the speciation of tungsten at elevated temperature 38 needs to be known, and thermodynamic data are needed for the dominant species. Unfortunately, there 39 40 is little agreement on the nature of the main tungsten species at elevated temperature and only a small number of studies have reported robust thermodynamic data for aqueous tungsten species based on 41 experiments. 42

43 Although most researchers consider that tungsten occurs dominantly as tungstate species in hydrothermal fluids and therefore forms ion pairs with cations like  $H^+$ ,  $Na^+$  and  $K^+$  (Wesolowski et al., 44 1984; Wood and Vlassopoulous, 1989; Wood, 1992; Wood and Samson, 2000), some researchers have 45 proposed that it also occurs as complexes involving anions, particularly Cl<sup>-</sup> (Manning and Henderson, 46 1984). Thus, for example, Manning and Henderson (1984) proposed that WCl<sub>6</sub>, WOCl<sub>4</sub> or (WO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sup>-</sup>, 47 are the dominant tungsten species in brines at magmatic conditions. Keppler and Wyllie (1991) 48 49 reached exactly the opposite conclusion, namely that halogen complexes are not involved in tungsten dissolution at these conditions. Wood and Vlassopoulous (1989) and Wood (1992) evaluated the 50 51 proposed role of chloride species in the aqueous mobilization of tungsten experimentally by investigating the solubility of WO<sub>3</sub> in HCl-bearing solutions at 500 °C and 300-600 °C, respectively. 52 They showed convincingly that Cl<sup>-</sup> complexes do not play a role in tungsten transport and, instead, 53 that H<sub>2</sub>WO<sub>4</sub><sup>0</sup> is the dominant tungsten species in HCl-bearing solutions, at least under acidic 54 conditions; they reported equilibrium constants for the corresponding dissolution reaction. In an 55 earlier potentiometric study and temperatures up to 300 °C, Wesolowski et al. (1984) showed that at 56 higher pH,  $H_2WO_4^{0}$  gives way to  $HWO_4^{-1}$  and  $HWO_4^{-1}$  gives way, in turn, to  $WO_4^{2-1}$  as the dominant 57

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58 tungsten species. Because of the importance of NaCl-dominated brines in the transport of tungsten in ore-forming hydrothermal systems, some researchers have proposed that the tungstate ion may form 59 stable ion pairs with Na<sup>+</sup>. Indeed, this was the conclusion reached by Wood and Vlassopoulos (1989) 60 from the observation that the solubility of WO<sub>3</sub> increases with increasing NaCl and NaOH contents of 61 aqueous solutions. Because of the lack of a dependence of this solubility on pH, they also concluded 62 that this ion pair is NaHWO<sub>4</sub><sup>0</sup> and reported an equilibrium constant for the corresponding dissolution 63 reaction. Gibert et al. (1992) re-evaluated the data of Wood and Vlassopoulos (1989) and showed that 64 65 they could be explained without invoking ion pairs involving Na<sup>+</sup>. Wood and Samson (2000), subsequently argued that, because of the increased electrostatic attraction among ions at high 66 temperature due to the decreased dielectric constant of water, it is highly probable that the neutral ion 67 pair, NaHWO<sub>4</sub><sup>0</sup>, dominates tungsten transport in hydrothermal systems. Recent molecular dynamic 68 69 simulations for Cu(I), Au(I), and Zn(II) complexes, however, challenge this conclusion by 70 demonstrating that charged species can predominate in high density fluids, even at high temperature (Mei et al., 2014; 2015). In summary, although it has been clearly established that tungstate forms 71 stable species with  $H^+$ , it is not clear whether or not tungstate also forms stable species with Na<sup>+</sup>. In 72 73 view of this and the importance of NaCl-dominant brines in transporting tungsten in ore-forming 74 systems involving this metal, it is essential that the question of the stability of Na<sup>+</sup>-tungstate ion pairs be resolved, especially for the temperatures of tungsten ore-formation (200 to 400 °C). 75

76 In this paper, we report results of experiments designed to evaluate tungsten solubility and 77 speciation in the system H<sub>2</sub>O-NaCl at temperatures of 250, 300, and 350°C. These results show that, in solutions containing up to 4 m NaCl (18.9 wt.% NaCl), tungstic acid  $(H_2WO_4^{0})$  is the dominant 78 tungsten species at low pH and  $HWO_4^-$  is the dominant species at mildly acidic to near-neutral 79 conditions. Although the solubility of tungsten (WO<sub>3</sub>) increases with increasing NaCl content of the 80 solution, this is due to the resulting increase in the ionic strength of the solution and not the formation 81 of tungstate ion pairs with Na<sup>+</sup>. We close the paper by retrieving thermodynamic data for  $H_2WO_4^0$  and 82 HWO<sub>4</sub> and using them to model and evaluate mechanisms for the transport of tungsten and the 83 precipitation of scheelite and wolframite in a hydrothermal fluid. 84

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#### 2. METHODS

#### 87 2.1. Experiments

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The experimental equipment and methods adopted in this study are the same as those used in previous 88 studies at McGill University (Migdisov and Williams-Jones, 2007; Timofeev et al., 2017). The 89 experiments were carried out in batch-type titanium grade 2 autoclaves, which were heated in a Fisher 90 Isotemp oven equipped with a stainless-steel box to reduce thermal gradients. Prior to each 91 experiment, the autoclaves were cleaned by filling them with 7 wt.% nitric acid (Trace metal grade) 92 93 for 12 hours, then twice with 3 wt.% ammonia hydroxide (Trace metal grade) for 6 hours, and finally with nano-pure water for 24 hours. This treatment ensured that no tungsten from previous experiments 94 95 remained on the walls of the autoclaves.

The solubility of tungsten (VI) trioxide solid was investigated in aqueous solutions of variable 96 NaCl concentration and pH at temperatures of 250, 300, and 350 °C, and vapor-saturated water 97 pressure. The sodium chloride solutions were prepared to have concentrations ranging from 0.0005 98 mol/L to 4.0 mol/L; the pH of the solutions was varied by adding small amounts of HCl and ranged 99 from 1.12 to 2.97 at ambient temperature. Solid reactant (WO<sub>3</sub>, yellow powder; Alfa Aesar 99.998% 100 purity) was introduced into a small quartz holder (~3.5 cm long) that was then capped by quartz wool 101 to prevent mechanical transfer of the solid to the solution. In order to ensure that the experiments were 102 103 conducted at conditions for which the tungsten would be in the 6+ state, the oxygen fugacity of the solutions was buffered by MoO<sub>3</sub> (light yellow powder; Alfa Aesar 99.95% purity) and MoO<sub>2</sub> (brown 104 powder; Alfa Aesar, 99% purity), which were introduced into a long, ~11cm, quartz holder. At the 105 beginning of each experiment, the two holders were placed in an autoclave and 14 ml of NaCl-bearing 106 solution was added to it. This solution covered the short holder but not the long holder, the top of 107 which was predicted to be above the level of the liquid during the experiments (Fig.1). Prior to sealing, 108 109 the autoclaves were purged with nitrogen gas to remove atmospheric oxygen.

Kinetic experiments were performed at 250 °C with a 1 mol/L NaCl solution containing 0.01 110 111 mol/L HCl for durations between 1 and 11 days. The tungsten concentration reached a steady state value after 6 days (Fig. 2). As experiments conducted at higher temperature were predicted to reach 112 steady state concentrations more rapidly, all subsequent experiments were conducted for durations of 113 114  $\geq$  7 days. At the end of each set of experiments, the autoclaves were removed from the oven and 115 quenched to ambient temperature in less than 20 minutes. A 4 ml aliquot of solution was taken from each autoclave for the determination of pH and analysis of chloride concentration. Four ml of 0.5 wt.% 116 117 optima grade ammonium hydroxide was then added to each autoclave to dissolve any tungsten that

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had precipitated on the walls during quenching. After an hour, the mixed solution was removed for 118 analysis of its tungsten content. The pH was measured using an accuTupH<sup>TM</sup> Rugged Bulb 119 Combination pH Electrode purchased from Fisher Scientific. Solutions containing greater than 0.1 120  $mol/L Na^+$  were diluted to a concentration less than this prior to measuring their pH. The resulting pH 121 values were corrected to the corresponding pH values for the temperatures of the experiments using 122 123 HCh software (Shvarov, 2008). Tungsten concentrations were analyzed using Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry after 1250 to 2500 times dilution of the experimental solution using a 124 125 0.001wt.% optima grade ammonium hydroxide solution. Finally, the WO<sub>3</sub> reactant was analyzed by X-ray diffraction to confirm that new solids had not formed during the experiments and that the 126 measured solubility corresponded only to the dissolution of  $WO_3$ ; the only phase detected was 127 crystalline WO<sub>3</sub> (Appendix A). X-ray diffraction analysis also confirmed that the buffer solids MoO<sub>2</sub> 128 and Mo<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> solid were both present after the experiments. 129

#### 130 **2.2. Data optimization**

The dissolved tungsten species in the solution were identified from the slope of the logarithm of 131 the molality and activity of tungsten with respect to that of the other ions in each experiment. 132 133 Thermodynamic properties for these species, including the standard Gibbs free energy and formation constants, were determined from the molality of tungsten, NaCl and HCl in each experiment using the 134 program OptimA (masses corresponding to an excess of the solute, WO<sub>3</sub><sup>cryst</sup>, and the oxygen buffer 135 assemblage at the end of each experiment were also specified in the input file), which is part of the 136 HCh software package (Shvarov, 2015). The activity coefficient of each ionic species was calculated 137 using the extended Debye-Hückel equation (Helgeson et al., 1981; Oelkers and Helgeson, 1990; 138 139 Oelkers and Helgeson, 1991):

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$$\log \gamma_n = -\frac{A \cdot [z_n]^2 \cdot \sqrt{I}}{1 + B \cdot \mathring{a} \cdot \sqrt{I}} + b_{\gamma} \cdot I + \Gamma$$
(1)

in which A and B are constants representing Debye-Hückel limiting law parameters (Table 1),  $b_y$  is the extended parameter for NaCl from Helgeson and Kirkham (1974), a is the distance of closest approach, which is specific to the ion of interest, *z* is the charge of the ion,  $\Gamma$  is a molarity to molality conversion factor, and *I* is the ionic strength calculated using Equation (2):

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$$I = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} c_i z_i^2$$
(2)

where  $c_i$  is the molar concentration of ion i (mol/L) and  $z_i$  is the charge of that ion. Parameter I

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147	represents the true ionic strength as all the dissolved components were considered. The activity
148	coefficients of neutral species were assumed to be unity. The Haar-Gallagher-Kell and Marshall and
149	Franck models were used to determine the thermodynamic properties and disassociation constant of
150	H <sub>2</sub> O for our experimental conditions (Marshall and Franck, 1981; Kestin et al., 1984).

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## **3. RESULTS**

## 153 **3.1. Identification of the dissolved tungsten species**

The results of the experiments at 250, 300, and 350 °C are reported in Table 2. In order to determine whether or not tungsten solubility depends on Na<sup>+</sup> (or Cl<sup>-</sup>) concentration, sets of experiments were conducted with solutions having roughly constant pH (~2) at ambient temperature and variable NaCl concentration. The pH dependency was evaluated with sets of experiments, each of which was conducted with solutions having approximately the same NaCl concentration (the concentrations of the different sets varied from high to low).

From Figure 3a, c and e, it is evident that the concentration of tungsten was low and roughly 160 constant at low  $aNa^+$ , whereas at higher  $aNa^+$  (the Cl<sup>-</sup> activity is very similar to that of Na<sup>+</sup>) it 161 162 increased linearly with log  $aNa^+$ . At first glance, these observations suggest that the tungsten species at low Na<sup>+</sup> (or Cl<sup>-</sup>) activity was H<sub>2</sub>WO<sub>4</sub><sup>0</sup> or HWO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> or WO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>, which do not contain Na or Cl, and that 163 at higher Na<sup>+</sup> (or Cl<sup>-</sup>) activity it was a Na-tungstate ion pair or a tungsten-chloride complex. At low 164  $aNa^{+}$ , the tungsten concentration was independent of pH (Fig. 3b, 3d, and 3f), which indicates that 165 tungsten solubility was dominated by the neutral tungstate, tungstic acid  $(H_2WO_4^{0})$ . In contrast, at 166 high Na<sup>+</sup> (or Cl<sup>-</sup>) concentration, the tungsten concentration increased linearly with pH (the slope 167 varied between 0.77 and 0.95). As previous experiments have shown convincingly that Cl<sup>-</sup> complexes 168 do not play a role in tungsten dissolution (Wood and Vlassopoulous, 1989; Wood, 1992), the positive 169 correlation of tungsten solubility with pH at high NaCl concentration and also with log  $aNa^+$ , could 170 reflect a major contribution from NaHWO<sub>4</sub><sup>0</sup> via the reaction: 171

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$$WO_3^{cryst} + H_2O + Na^+ = NaHWO_4^0 + H^+$$
 (3)

173  $\operatorname{Log} K_3 = \log a \operatorname{NaHWO_4}^0 - pH - \log a \operatorname{Na^+}$ 

An alternative explanation for these correlations is that the increase in WO<sub>3</sub> solubility with increasing log  $aNa^+$  was due to the increase in the ionic strength of the solution that accompanied the addition of NaCl. In order to test this latter hypothesis, we calculated the total activity of tungsten,

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assuming that the only tungsten species in solution were  $HWO_4^-$  and  $H_2WO_4^{0}$ . In addition, we normalized all the data for the three experimental temperatures to a pH of 1.8 (350 °C) and 1.4 (300 °C and 250 °C), which are the lowest pH values of the experiments at the three temperatures. The normalization was based on the following reactions and equations:

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$$WO_3^{cryst} + H_2O = HWO_4^- + H^+$$
 (4)

182  $\log K_4 = \log a HWO_4 - pH$ 

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$$WO_3^{cryst} + H_2O = H_2WO_4^0$$
 (5)

- 184  $\log K_5 = \log a HWO_4^{0}$
- 185  $\log a \sum W \text{ (adjusted)} = \log(10^{\log a HWO_4^- (pH pH_{Minimun})} + aH_2WO_4^0)$ (6)

In Figure 4, we show these normalized data as a plot of  $\log a \sum W$  versus pH. From this diagram, it is clear that the logarithm of the adjusted  $a \sum W$  is independent of pH. The presence of any NaHWO<sub>4</sub><sup>0</sup>, in addition to the assumed HWO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> and H<sub>2</sub>WO<sub>4</sub><sup>0</sup>, would result in a slope greater than 0 in Figure 4 as Reaction 3 is not only pH-dependent but also Na-dependent. The absence of such a slope indicates that NaHWO<sub>4</sub><sup>0</sup> did not contribute significantly to the total dissolved concentration of tungsten in the experimental solutions.

As discussed above,  $NaHWO_4^0$  is interpreted not to have been present in the experimental 192 solutions in detectable concentrations, despite the fact that the solubility of WO<sub>3</sub><sup>crystal</sup> increased with 193 increasing NaCl concentration. Instead, we conclude that the solubility data can be satisfactorily 194 explained by  $HWO_4^-$  and  $H_2WO_4^{00}$ . From Figure 5, it can be seen that the tungsten activity was low 195 196 and constant at low pH and at higher pH increased with increasing pH at each of the temperatures for which the solubility of WO<sub>3</sub><sup>crystal</sup> was determined. The independence of tungsten activity from pH at 197 low values of pH was due to the formation of  $H_2WO_4^0$  according to Reaction 5, which does not 198 involve H<sup>+</sup>. At higher pH values, the increase in tungsten activity with increasing pH was due to the 199 formation of  $HWO_4^-$  via Reaction 4, inspection of which reveals that  $aHWO_4^-$  increases with 200 decreasing  $aH^+$  or increasing pH in a ratio of 1:1. This interpretation is supported by the observation 201 that the slope of the dependency of log  $aHWO_4^-$  on pH ranges between 0.93 and 1.17, depending on 202 the temperature (Fig. 5b, 5d and 5f). The threshold pH above which  $HWO_4^-$  replaces  $H_2WO_4^{0}$  as the 203 dominant species is 2.44 at 350 °C (Fig 5a) and corresponds to a tungsten concentration of ~5.9 ppm. 204 205 This threshold pH at 300 °C is 2.32, corresponding to a tungsten concentration of ~2.7 ppm and at 250 °C is 2.22, corresponding to a tungsten concentration of ~1.2 ppm. 206

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## 208 **3.2.** Evaluation of formation constants ( $\beta$ )

As mentioned above, the standard Gibbs free energy for  $H_2WO_4^0$  and  $HWO_4^-$  were determined from 209 the molality of NaCl, HCl, and tungsten in each experiment using the program OptimA in the HCh 210 software package (Shvarov, 2015); the molality of HCl was calculated from the starting NaCl 211 concentration and the pH measured after each experiment. In addition to the two tungsten species, the 212 following aqueous species were also considered in the calculations: O<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>, H<sup>+</sup>, OH<sup>-</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, Cl<sup>-</sup>, NaOH<sup>0</sup>, 213 NaCl<sup>0</sup>, and HCl<sup>0</sup>. Thermodynamic data for these species were obtained from Johnson et al. (1992), 214 Shock et al. (1997), and Sverjensky et al. (1997) and values for the extended parameter for NaCl were 215 taken from Oelkers and Helgeson (1991). Thermodynamic data for the tungsten and molybdenum 216 oxide solids (WO<sub>3</sub>, MoO<sub>2</sub> and MoO<sub>3</sub>) were taken from Pankratz and Mrazek (1982) and Robie and 217 Hemingway (1995). The sources of these data are listed in the Appendix B. 218

With the standard Gibbs free energy of  $HWO_4^-$  and  $H_2WO_4^{0}$  in hand, the Gibbs free energy changes for the reactions responsible for the formation of these species were calculated using the standard Gibbs free energy of the other species involved in the reactions, namely  $WO_4^{2-}$  and  $H^+$ .

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$$H^+ + WO_4^{2-} = HWO_4^{--}$$
 (7)

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$$2H^+ + WO_4^{2-} = H_2WO_4^{0}$$
 (8)

Thermodynamic data for  $WO_4^{2-}$  and  $H^+$  were taken from Shock et al. (1997) and Wesolowski et al. (1984). The Gibbs free energy change was then converted to a formation constant (log  $\beta$ ) using the relationship  $\Delta G^\circ = -RTlnK$ . These formation constants and the uncertainty associated with their determination are listed in Table 3; the uncertainty was calculated using the OptimA program. The formation constants for  $H_2WO_4^{0}$  and  $HWO_4^{-}$  at the different temperatures were fitted to the Bryzgalin-Ryzhenko model (Ryzhenko et al., 1985) modified by Shvarov and Bastrakov (1999):

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$$\log K_{(T,P)} = \frac{T_T}{T} \log K_{(T_T,P_T)} + B_{(T,P)} \left( A_{ZZ/a} + \frac{B_{ZZ/a}}{T} \right)$$
 (9)

values for the parameters of which are listed in Table 4. In the equation, *K* is the dissociation constant of the ion pair,  $T_r$ ,  $P_r$  are the reference temperature and pressure, and  $A_{zz/a}$  and  $B_{zz/a}$  are fitting parameters. The term  $B_{(T,P)}$  was computed from the dissociation constant of water (Marshall and Franck, 1981) at temperature T and pressure P. This fit was then used to calculate equilibrium constants (log K) for the

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tungsten oxide dissolution reactions. These values are reported in Table 5. Uncertainties in the equilibrium constants were determined by calculating the log K values of each data point using the tungsten activity, pH(T), and Reactions (4) and (5), and then calculating the standard deviation of these values, at each temperature. The best fit points to the experimental data shown in Figures 5 to 8 were calculated from these equilibrium constants.

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#### 4. DISCUSSION

## 242 **4.1.** Comparison to previous studies

243 Previous estimates of the thermodynamic properties of tungsten species have been based mainly on 244 the potentiometric experiments of Wesolowski et al. (1984) and the solubility experiments of Wood and Vlassopoulos (1989) and Wood (1992). Wesolowski et al. (1984) showed that the tungstates, 245  $HWO_4^{-1}$  and  $WO_4^{-2}$ , are the dominant tungsten species in mildly to strongly saline aqueous solutions at 246 temperatures between 150 and 300 °C and near-neutral to alkaline conditions, respectively, and that 247 tungstic acid is the dominant species at low pH. Shock et al. (1997) developed a HKF model for 248 WO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> and HWO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> based on the results of the experiments of Wesolowski et al. (1984), which are 249 widely used in evaluating tungsten solubility in hydrothermal fluids (Heinrich, 1990; Gibert et al., 250 251 1992; Wood and Samson, 2000).

Wood and Vlassopoulos (1989) concluded that the ion pair, NaHWO<sub>4</sub><sup>0</sup>, is the dominant aqueous 252 species in solutions with high salinity based on experimental determinations of the solubility of 253 WO3<sup>crystal</sup> in solutions containing up to 6 m NaCl and 1 m NaOH at 500 °C and 1 kbar. However, 254 although they concluded that  $H_2WO_4^0$  is the dominant species at low pH, they did not consider  $HWO_4^-$ 255 in their calculation of the speciation of tungsten at higher pH and NaCl concentration. They also 256 assumed that the activity coefficients of the tungsten species were equal to unity. In order to determine 257 whether the results of their experiments could be explained without calling upon a sodium tungstate 258 species, we calculated the dissolved tungsten concentration at the conditions of their experiments 259 260 using the thermodynamic data from this study and that of Wood and Vlassopoulos (1989), assuming that tungsten was present in their solutions only as the species  $H_2WO_4^{0}$  and  $HWO_4^{-}$  (this study) and 261 WO4<sup>2-</sup> (Wesolowski et al., 1984). The calculated tungsten concentration is very similar to that 262 measured in the experiments of Wood and Vlassopoulos (1989) involving NaOH and NaCl, even at 263

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the highest concentrations of these solutes (Fig. 6a and 6b). This suggests strongly that  $HWO_4^-$  or 264  $WO_4^{2-}$  and not NaHWO<sub>4</sub><sup>0</sup> were the dominant species in these experiments at mildly acidic and alkaline 265 pH, respectively. The addition of NaCl or NaOH to the solutions increases the ionic strength as well 266 as pH and, in turn, decreases the activity coefficient and increases the concentration of HWO<sub>4</sub>, 267 respectively. We note, however, that the tungsten concentrations in our acidic, lower pH experiments 268 are lower than those of Wood and Vlassopoulos (1989). We attribute this discrepancy as probably 269 being due to entrainment of solute particles during sampling in the experiments of Wood and 270 271 Vlassopoulos (1989). The line fit to their data by Gibert et al. (1992), suggesting higher tungsten concentrations than predicted by our data, results from the higher logK<sub>5</sub> values proposed for Reaction 272 273 (5).

As has already been mentioned, Wood (1992) determined the solubility of  $WO_3^{crystal}$  in aqueous 274 solutions with variable HCl concentrations at temperatures between 300 and 600°C and 1 kbar. He 275 demonstrated that H<sub>2</sub>WO<sub>4</sub><sup>0</sup> is the principal tungsten species at all HCl concentrations and calculated 276 log K values for the dissolution reaction (Reaction 5, this study). We extrapolated our data and those 277 of Wood (1992) using the Bryzgalin-Ryzhenko model at saturated water vapor pressure and 1kbar, 278 279 respectively, in order to compare the two data sets. His log K values for this reaction are 1 to 2 units higher than the values determined in this study (Table 6). A possible reason for this discrepancy is that 280 he did not consider the possible formation of  $HWO_4^-$  at low HCl concentration. We cannot explain, 281 however, why the log K values reported by Wood (1992) are systematically higher than those reported 282 in this study. 283

Wood and Samson (2000) proposed that, in natural systems, tungsten is transported as the 284 species  $H_2WO_4^0$ ,  $HWO_4^-$ ,  $WO_4^{-2-}$ ,  $NaHWO_4^0$ , and  $NaWO_4^-$ . They calculated formation constants for 285  $H_2WO_4^{0}$  HWO<sub>4</sub>, and WO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> based on the results of the experiments of Wood (1992) and Wesolowski 286 et al. (1984). However, in the absence of the necessary data for NaHWO<sub>4</sub><sup>0</sup> and NaWO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>, they assumed 287 that the formation constants for these species are equal to those for  $KHSO_4^0$  and  $KSO_4^-$ . In order to 288 determine whether the thermodynamic data recommended by Wood and Samson (2000) are consistent 289 with our experimental data, we calculated the concentration of tungsten that we expected to observe in 290 each of our experiments, based on their data. In Figure 7, we compare the results of our experiments 291 292 with these predictions in plots of log m $\Sigma$ W versus log aNa<sup>+</sup> and pH (T) for 250, 300 and 350°C. As is evident from this figure, the concentration of tungsten observed in our experiments is 1 to 2 log units 293

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lower than that predicted from the thermodynamic data of Wood and Samson (2000) at equivalentconditions.

For an additional comparison, we made use of the association constant reported earlier for HWO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> (Reaction 7) and the association constant for  $H_2WO_4^{0}$  calculated using the thermodynamic data from for the following reaction:

299 
$$HWO_4^- + H^+ = H_2WO_4^{0}$$
 (10)

300  $\log K_{10} = \log a H_2 W O_4^0 - \log a H W O_4^- + p H$ 

301 In Table 6, we compare the association constants for Reactions 7 and 10 calculated in this study with those of previous studies. Our values are considerably lower than those reported previously, largely 302 because the latter were based on the data of Wood (1992), which we believe overestimated the 303 solubility of tungsten. We use these association constants in Figure 8 to predict the predominance 304 fields of  $H_2WO_4^0$ ,  $HWO_4^-$  and  $WO_4^{2-}$ . Our constants predict that  $H_2WO_4^{-0}$  is dominant only at pH 305 values < 2.8, which is over one unit less than that predicted previously. The disparity is somewhat less 306 for the dominance of  $WO_4^{2-}$ , with our values predicting a predominance boundary at a pH of 5 for 200 307 °C and vapor-saturated water pressure, which is only 0.3 units less than that predicted by other studies 308 309 except that of Minubayeva et al. (2007), whose data are not consistent with those of other studies.

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#### 311 **4.2.** Application to natural systems

Tungsten is deposited as the minerals scheelite ( $CaWO_4$ ) and wolframite ((Fe,Mn)WO<sub>4</sub>) in 312 ore-forming hydrothermal systems. Here we make use of the results of our experimental study to 313 quantitatively evaluate the conditions under which tungsten transport is optimized and those that 314 promote the deposition of scheelite and wolframite. For simplicity, we represent wolframite by its 315 endmember, ferberite (FeWO<sub>4</sub>). Thermodynamic data for the minerals were taken from Holland and 316 Powell (1998), Wood and Samson (2000) and Robie and Hemingway (1995), and for aqueous species 317 other than the tungsten species from Johnson et al. (1992), Shock et al. (1997), Sverjensky et al. (1997) 318 and Tagirov et al. (1997). This information is detailed in Appendix B. 319

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321 4.2.1. Chloride ion concentration

Although we have shown that ion pairs involving  $Na^+$  and complexes involving  $Cl^-$  do not contribute to tungsten solubility in hydrothermal fluids, chloride is important for the transport of both  $Ca^{2+}$  and

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Fe<sup>2+</sup>, which participate in the formation of scheelite and ferberite, respectively. In fact, Wood and Samson (2000) proposed that high chloride activity in the fluid facilitates the dissolution of tungsten species via the reaction:

327 
$$MWO_4 + mH^+ + nCl^- = H_mWO_4^{(m-2)} + MCl_n^{(2-n)}$$
 (11)

- 328  $M = Ca^{2+}$  or  $Fe^{2+}$ ; m = 0 to 2; n = 0 to 2 or 4
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- 330 4.2.2. Temperature

331 In order to evaluate the effect of cooling on the precipitation of tungsten minerals, we modeled the concentration of tungsten as a function of temperature at conditions of scheelite or ferberite saturation. 332 The results of this modeling show that scheelite and ferberite both precipitate from the solution with 333 decreasing temperature (Fig 9a and 9b). However, only a small amount of scheelite precipitated from 334 the scheelite-saturated solution, and the tungsten concentration of the solution did not decrease 335 336 appreciably from its initial concentration. In contrast, almost all the tungsten in the ferberite-saturated 337 solution precipitated (as ferberite). This difference in behavior indicates a stronger dependence of the solubility of ferberite on temperature than that of scheelite. 338

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340 4.2.3. pH

As shown by the results of this experimental study, the solubility of the WO<sub>3</sub> and the nature of the 341 dominant aqueous tungsten species are strongly affected by pH. However, the manner in which pH 342 affects the solubility of the tungsten minerals in natural systems is unclear. We also note that the pH of 343 ore-forming fluid is commonly controlled by fluid-rock interaction. To this end, we modeled the 344 solubility of scheelite and ferberite in a brine as a function of pH (Fig 10a and 10b), and evaluated the 345 effect of fluid-rock interaction on pH and on the solubility of tungsten in an ore-forming fluid (Fig 346 347 10c and 10d). The results of this modeling show that scheelite and ferberite dissolve in acidic and alkaline solutions, but deposit from solutions with near neutral pH. In the strongly acidic solutions, 348 scheelite and ferberite dissolved via Reaction (11), whereas in the alkaline solutions, they dissolved 349 350 through Reactions (12) and (13). The effect of the fluid-rock interaction was to drive the pH of the 351 acidic and alkaline solutions to a value of ~5, which induced tungsten mineral precipitation.

352 
$$CaWO_4 + OH^- = WO_4^{2-} + CaOH^+$$

(12)

(13)

353  $\text{FeWO}_4 + 3\text{OH}^2 = \text{WO}_4^{2-} + \text{HFeO}_2^2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$ 

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## 355 4.2.4. Calcium and iron concentration

Several studies have proposed that fluid mixing is important for tungsten ore-formation as this process 356 introduces  $Ca^{2+}$  and  $Fe^{2+}$  into the hydrothermal ore fluid, which commonly has very low 357 concentrations of these cations because of its exsolution from a highly fractionated S-type granitic 358 magma (Lecumberri-Sanchez et al., 2017; Yang et al., 2019). To test the fluid-mixing hypothesis, we 359 modeled the mixing of a high salinity, tungsten-saturated brine, containing no  $Ca^{2+}$  and  $Fe^{2+}$ , with a 360 low salinity, tungsten-free fluid containing  $Ca^{2+}$  or Fe<sup>2+</sup> at 400 °C and 1000 bar (Fig 11a and 11b). The 361 former brine represents the hydrothermal fluid originating from the granitic magma, and the latter 362 brine a formational water. The results of the modeling show that scheelite and ferberite precipitate 363 strongly in response to increased concentrations of calcium and iron via Reaction (14). 364

365 
$$H_mWO_4^{(m-2)} + MCl_n^{(2-n)} = MWO_4 + mH^+ + nCl^-$$
 (14)

366 
$$M = Fe^{2+}$$
 or  $Ca^{2+}$ ;  $m = 0$  or 1 or 2;  $n = 0$  to 2 or 4

In short, a hot, very acidic or alkaline saline hydrothermal fluid with low concentrations of Ca and Fe
has a high capacity to transport tungsten. Tungsten mineral precipitation, on the other hand is favored
by low temperature, near neutral pH and high concentrations of Ca and Fe.

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#### **5. CONCLUSIONS**

The results of this study show that tungsten is dissolved in NaCl-bearing fluids as  $H_2WO_4^0$  at low pH and  $HWO_4^-$  at moderately acidic to near-neutral pH. Contrary to the conclusion of some earlier studies, NaHWO<sub>4</sub><sup>0</sup> and NaWO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> do not play a role in tungsten transport. The distribution of tungsten species is therefore controlled mainly by pH, and salinity promotes dissolution of tungsten minerals by increasing the ionic strength of the solution. The geological modeling in this paper suggests that a hot, saline, acidic or alkaline hydrothermal fluid with low concentrations of calcium and iron is an ideal ore-fluid for tungsten.

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## 503 Figures Legends

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- 505 Figure 1. A schematic diagram showing the experimental set-up employed in this study. Malleable carbon rings
- 506 provided an airtight seal upon closure of the autoclave.

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508 Figure 2. A diagram showing the results of experiments of variable duration conducted at 250 °C (kinetic

509	experiments) with an aqueous solution containing 1 mol/kg NaCl and 0.01 mol/kg HCl. From the diagram, it is
510	evident that the solubility of $WO_3^{crystal}$ reached a steady state concentration after six days.
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512	Figure 3. Results of experiments at 350 °C, 300 °C, 250 °C. (a), (c), and (e) showing the concentrations of
513	dissolved tungsten (log m $\Sigma$ W) as a function of the activity of Na <sup>+</sup> (log <i>a</i> Na <sup>+</sup> ) and (b), (d) and (f) the tungsten
514	concentrations as a function of pH. The filled blue circles in (a), (c), (e) represent the results of experiments
515	designed to determine the dependence of the solubility of WO <sub>3</sub> on Na <sup>+</sup> activity at a $pH_{(25 \circ C)}$ of ~2. The results of
516	experiments designed to determine the dependence of WO <sub>3</sub> solubility on pH (at nearly constant log $aNa^+$ ) are
517	illustrated in (d), (e), and (f); the data for these experiments are also shown in (a), (c), (e) using the symbols
518	employed in (d), (e), and (f). The equations " $y = ax - b$ " represent linear regressions of the data.
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520	Figure 4. A plot showing values of log $a \Sigma W$ at 350, 300, 250 °C as a function of pH, assuming that the
521	solubility of WO <sub>3</sub> <sup>crystal</sup> can be fully explained by its dissolution as H <sub>2</sub> WO <sub>4</sub> <sup>0</sup> and HWO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup> . The log $a \Sigma W$ values
522	were adjusted to pH (T) = 1.8 (350 °C), and pH (T) = 1.4 (300 and 250 °C) on the basis of the stoichiometry of
523	Reactions 4 and 5. The log $a \Sigma$ W values at 350 °C prior to the adjustment are shown for comparison. The
524	dashed lines with arrowheads indicate the trends of tungsten activity from low to high sodium ion activity.
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526	Figure 5. Plots of log $a \Sigma$ W and log $a$ HWO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup> versus pH (T) at 350 °C (a, b), 300 °C (c, d), and 250 °C (e, f).
527	The filled blue circles in (a), (c), (e) represent the results of the experiments at the temperature of interest, the
528	orange curves show the fits to the data based on the log K values for Reactions 4 and 5 and the yellow and blue
529	dashed lines indicate the activity of $HWO_4^-$ and $H_2WO_4^{-0}$ based on the log K values for Reaction 4 and 5,
530	respectively. The parameters a $\Sigma$ W, aHWO <sub>4</sub> , and pH (T) refer to the total tungsten activity, the activity of
531	HWO <sub>4</sub> , and the pH of the experimental solution at each temperature, respectively. The dotted lines represent the
532	best fits to the data for $aHWO_4^-$ versus pH (T) at the different temperatures and "y = ax - b" the equations of
533	these lines. Diagrams (a), (c) and (e) illustrate the independence of tungsten activity from pH at low pH values
534	due to the dissolution of $WO_3^{crystal}$ as $H_2WO_4^0$ , and its dependence on pH at high pH values because of the
535	formation of $HWO_4^-$ .
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Figure 6. (a) A comparison of the fit to the data for log m $\Sigma$ W as a function of log mNaOH reported in this study to 537 538 those for the data of Wood and Vlassopoulos (1989; 500 °C and 1000 bar) and those of Wood and Vlassopoulos

539	(1989) recalculated by Gibert et al. (1992). (b) A comparison of the fit to the data for log m $\Sigma$ W as a function of log
540	mNaCl reported in this study to those for the data of Wood and Vlassopoulos (1989) and those of Wood and
541	Vlassopoulos (1989) recalculated by Gibert et al. (1992). The tungsten species used in the calculation were
542	$H_2WO_4^{0}$ , $HWO_4^{-}$ , and $WO_4^{2-}$ . See text for further detail.
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544	Figure 7. Plots of log $a \Sigma W$ versus log $a Na^+$ and log $a \Sigma W$ versus pH comparing the results of the experiments
545	conducted in this study with the expected $\log a \Sigma W$ values of these experiments calculated using $\log K$ values
546	reported by Wood and Samson (2000) based on the results of the experiments of Wood (1992) for 350 °C (a),
547	300 °C (c), 250 °C (e, f) and water saturated vapor pressure.
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549	Figure 8. Predominance fields for $H_2WO_4^{0}$ , $HWO_4^{-}$ , and $WO_4^{2-}$ in aqueous liquid as a function of temperature
550	and pH at saturated vapor pressure a) and 1000 bar b) based on the results of this study; thermodynamic data for
551	$WO_4^{2-}$ were taken from Shock (1992). Also shown are the predominance fields for these species based on the
552	experimental data of Wesolowski et al. (1984), Wood and Samson (2000), and Minubaeva (2007).
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554	Figure 9. Plots showing the concentrations of aqueous species and tungsten mineral solubility as a function of
555	temperature. The fluid contained 1.5 m NaCl, 0.02 m HCl, at 400 °C, 1000 bar, and a pH of 3.05 and was
556	saturated with respect to scheelite (a) and ferberite (b).
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558	Figure 10. (a) and (b). Plots showing the concentration of aqueous species and tungsten mineral solubility as a
559	function of increasing pH. The fluid contained 1.5 m NaCl and 0.02 m HCl, at 400 °C, 1000 bar and an initial
560	pH of 3.05, and was saturated with respect to scheelite and ferberite. It was titrated with NaOH to produce the
561	pH increase. (c) A plot showing the total tungsten concentration, pH and tungsten mineral solubility resulting
562	from progressive interaction of the fluid with microcline. The fluid contained 1.5 m NaCl and 0.02 m HCl, at
563	400 °C, 1000 bar and an initial pH of 3.05, was saturated with respect to scheelite and ferberite, and was

- 564 buffered to a final pH of ~5. (d). A plot showing the total tungsten concentration, pH and tungsten mineral
- 565 solubility resulting from progressive interaction of the fluid with a greisen (quartz-muscovite-paragonite). The
- 566 fluid contained 1.5 m NaCl, 0.1 m NaOH, at 400 °C, 1000 bar and an initial pH of 9.15, was saturated with
- respect to scheelite and ferberite, and was buffered to a final pH of ~5. The Rock/fluid ratio in (c) and (d) 567

represents the mass of minerals over the mass of fluid.

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- 570 Figure 11. Plots showing the effect on tungsten concentration and tungsten mineral solubility of mixing an ore
- 571 fluid containing 4 m NaCl, 0.0003 m HCl and 80 ppm tungsten at 400 °C, 1000 bar, and a pH of 4.64 with a
- 572 fluid at the same temperature and pressure containing 0.6m NaCl, 0.0001 m HCl and 0.001 m CaCl<sub>2</sub> (a) and
- 573 0.6m NaCl, 0.0001 m HCl and 0.001 m 0.001 m FeCl<sub>2</sub> (b). The mixing ratio represents the mass of the second
- 574 fluid over that of the ore fluid.

Table 1. Values for thermodynamic parameters from Helgeson and Kirkham (1974) used in the activity coefficient function (Equation 1).

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T (°C)         Sat.         1000 bar         Sat.         1000 bar         Sat.         1000 bar           200         0.7994         0.7195         0.3639         0.3591         0.0485         0.0647           250         0.9593         0.8221         0.3766         0.3690         0.0203         0.0485           300         1.2175         0.9502         0.3925         0.3792         -0.0244         0.0278           350         1.8234         1.1178         0.418         0.3902         -0.1076         0.0024           400         1.2502         0.4024         0.4024         0.0202		А		В		$b_{\gamma,\;NaCl}$	
200         0.7994         0.7195         0.3639         0.3591         0.0485         0.0647           250         0.9593         0.8221         0.3766         0.3690         0.0203         0.0485           300         1.2175         0.9502         0.3925         0.3792         -0.0244         0.0278           350         1.8234         1.1178         0.418         0.3902         -0.1076         0.0024           400         1.2502         0.4024         0.4024         0.0202	T (°C)	Sat.	1000 bar	Sat.	1000 bar	Sat.	1000 bar
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300         1.2175         0.9502         0.3925         0.3792         -0.0244         0.0278           350         1.8234         1.1178         0.418         0.3902         -0.1076         0.0024           400         1.2502         0.4024         0.4024         0.0202	250	0.9593	0.8221	0.3766	0.3690	0.0203	0.0485
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Table 2. Compositions of quenched experimental solutions from experiments. The values of aNa<sup>+</sup> (T) and pH (T) are calculated at interested temperatures.

T (°C)	NaCl(m)	HCl(m), 10 <sup>-3</sup>	W(m), 10 <sup>-6</sup>	pH(25 °C)	$a\mathrm{Na}^{+}(\mathrm{T})$	pH (T)
350	1.40	5.59	611	2.48	0.10	3.65
350	1.40	6.49	452	2.42	0.10	3.60
350	1.40	11.4	337	2.17	0.10	3.37
350	1.40	19.2	201	1.95	0.10	3.15
350	1.40	30.8	180	1.74	0.10	2.95
350	1.40	50.7	96.0	1.52	0.10	2.73
350	1.25	6.68	432	2.40	0.10	3.56
350	1.00	6.63	349	2.39	0.09	3.52
350	0.85	8.51	230	2.28	0.08	3.39
350	0.70	7.65	270	2.32	0.07	3.39
350	0.70	10.7	218	2.17	0.07	3.25
350	0.70	19.8	137	1.91	0.07	2.99
350	0.70	27.8	84.2	1.76	0.07	2.84
350	0.70	42.3	69.9	1.58	0.07	2.66
350	0.70	70.5	55.0	1.36	0.07	2.44
350	0.40	9.35	106	2.21	0.05	3.19
350	0.40	10.9	143	2.14	0.05	3.12
350	0.40	9.27	152	2.21	0.05	3.19
350	0.30	13.7	78.6	2.03	0.05	2.96
350	0.30	8.65	94.9	2.23	0.05	3.16
350	0.20	13.2	67.6	2.03	0.04	2.89
350	0.10	11.5	72.6	2.06	0.02	2.81
350	0.10	11.2	62.6	2.07	0.02	2.82
350	0.085	11.9	37.7	2.04	0.02	2.77
350	0.07	10.6	28.9	2.08	0.02	2.78
350	0.05	8.21	41.0	2.18	0.02	2.82
350	0.02	8.06	25.8	2.17	0.01	2.67
350	0.01	6.30	33.6	2.26	0.005	2.67
350	0.01	11.4	40.0	2.01	0.005	2.45
350	0.01	16.0	39.2	1.87	0.004	2.33
350	0.01	28.5	33.1	1.63	0.004	2.14
350	0.01	32.6	30.6	1.57	0.004	2.10
350	0.01	42.5	30.1	1.46	0.004	2.02

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350	0.01	56.7	32.6	1.35	0.003	1.94
350	0.01	71.3	34.3	1.26	0.003	1.87
350	0.0005	11.5	27.5	1.99	0.0003	2.32
350	0.0005	9.20	27.5	2.08	0.0003	2.39
300	3.00	5.07	188	2.55	0.37	3.31
300	3.00	5.15	174	2.55	0.37	3.30
300	3.00	5.13	148	2.55	0.37	3.31
300	2.00	6.53	81.3	2.43	0.30	3.12
300	2.00	7.49	79.3	2.37	0.30	3.06
300	2.00	6.82	87.4	2.41	0.30	3.10
300	1.40	1.82	396	2.97	0.24	3.55
300	1.40	2.77	251	2.79	0.24	3.40
300	1.40	4.22	162	2.60	0.24	3.23
300	1.40	7.63	119	2.35	0.24	2.98
300	1.40	13.6	46.4	2.11	0.24	2.74
300	1.40	21.7	46.6	1.89	0.24	2.53
300	1.40	24.1	29.3	1.85	0.24	2.49
300	1.00	9.76	52.1	2.23	0.20	2.81
300	0.90	10.5	64.9	2.19	0.19	2.76
300	0.80	10.9	44.1	2.02	0.17	2.72
300	0.70	9.73	47.2	2.21	0.16	2.74
300	0.70	11.5	39.7	2.14	0.16	2.67
300	0.70	9.05	59.5	2.25	0.16	2.78
300	0.40	9.39	37.8	2.21	0.11	2.66
300	0.30	10.4	25.7	2.15	0.09	2.56
300	0.25	10.3	22.1	2.15	0.08	2.54
300	0.20	9.62	28.7	2.17	0.07	2.53
300	0.10	8.29	16.3	2.20	0.04	2.49
300	0.085	10.6	19.1	2.09	0.04	2.37
300	0.07	10.4	16.7	2.14	0.03	2.35
300	0.04	9.48	23.9	2.11	0.02	2.32
300	0.01	1.79	24.3	2.80	0.01	2.90
300	0.01	16.6	14.5	1.85	0.01	2.01
300	0.01	17.8	9.84	1.82	0.01	1.98
300	0.01	25.4	13.0	1.67	0.01	1.85
300	0.01	27.2	17.7	1.65	0.01	1.83
300	0.01	28.1	7.34	1.63	0.01	1.82
300	0.01	37.3	16.7	1.52	0.01	1.72
300	0.01	43.6	7.10	1.45	0.01	1.67
300	0.01	58.4	20.6	1.34	0.01	1.57
300	0.01	71.0	22.4	1.26	0.005	1.51
300	0.01	75.1	10.1	1.23	0.005	1.49
300	0.01	75.5	17.5	1.23	0.005	1.49
300	0.01	78.0	9.16	1.22	0.005	1.48
300	0.01	101	21.7	1.12	0.005	1.40
300	0.005	11.5	12.1	2.00	0.003	2.12
300	0.005	9.77	10.4	2.06	0.004	2.18

250	4.00	2.56	67.8	2.86	0.74	3.31
250	4.00	2.96	67.8	2.80	0.74	3.25
250	3.00	5.00	40.4	2.56	0.62	2.98
250	2.00	7.27	23.2	2.38	0.48	2.75
250	1.40	5.53	31.3	2.49	0.38	2.82
250	1.40	8.65	18.1	2.29	0.38	2.63
250	1.40	14.1	14.0	2.08	0.38	2.42
250	1.40	19.7	10.2	1.93	0.38	2.27
250	1.40	31.7	5.92	1.73	0.38	2.07
250	1.00	9.78	11.6	2.23	0.30	2.53
250	0.70	11.5	11.1	2.14	0.24	2.41
250	0.40	12.3	8.31	2.09	0.16	2.31
250	0.30	12.8	12.1	2.06	0.13	2.26
250	0.25	11.3	11.5	2.11	0.11	2.29
250	0.20	12.8	10.1	2.04	0.09	2.22
250	0.01	24.7	5.44	1.69	0.007	1.77
250	0.01	28.1	3.02	1.63	0.007	1.72
250	0.01	37.5	6.92	1.51	0.007	1.61
250	0.01	38.0	8.92	1.51	0.007	1.60
250	0.01	44.8	6.51	1.44	0.006	1.54
250	0.01	59.5	6.97	1.33	0.006	1.44
250	0.01	60.3	4.99	1.32	0.006	1.44
250	0.01	60.5	8.06	1.32	0.006	1.43
250	0.01	73.6	10.1	1.24	0.006	1.36
250	0.01	74.8	3.83	1.24	0.006	1.36
250	0.0005	2.75	12.5	2.59	0.0004	2.61
250	0.0005	1.77	17.5	2.77	0.0005	2.79
250	0.0005	7.63	6.52	2.16	0.0004	2.20

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Table 3. Formation constants (logβ) for the tungsten species identified in this study based on experiments between 250 to 350 °C.

	250 °C	300 °C	350 °C
$WO_4^{2-} + 2H^+ = H_2WO_4^{0-}$	$8.23\pm0.01$	$9.20\pm0.01$	$10.96\pm0.01$
$WO_4^{2-} + H^+ = HWO_4^{}$	$5.58\pm0.02$	$6.51\pm0.01$	$7.99 \pm 0.01$

Table 4. Bryzgalin-Ryzhenko parameters derived for tungsten species based on the formation constants determined in this study.

	pK (298)	A (zz/a)	B (zz/a)
$H_2WO_4^{\ 0}$	6.570	1.412	0.000
$HWO_4^-$	3.413	1.150	0.000

	250 °C	300 °C	350 °C
$WO_3^{cryst} + H_2O = H_2WO_4^{\ 0}$	$-5.26 \pm 0.26$	$-4.98\pm0.25$	$-4.62 \pm 0.10$
$WO_3^{cryst} + H_2O = HWO_4^- + H^+$	$-7.89 \pm 0.30$	$-7.69 \pm 0.29$	$-7.58 \pm 0.18$

Table 5. Logarithms of equilibrium constants (logK) and their associated uncertainty for the WO<sub>3</sub> dissolution reactions

Table 6. Association constants and solubility products for tungsten species derived from this and previous studies.

Association constants (logK)

	T °C	200	250	300	350	400	500	600	P bars	Method	Reference
$logK_{10}$	$HWO_{4}^{-} + H^{+} = H_{2}WO_{4}^{0}$	2.63 <sup>d</sup>	2.63	2.71	2.96				Sat.	MBR model	This study
		4.20	4.10	3.90	3.90				Sat.	Calculation <sup>a</sup>	Heinrich (1990)
				4.30					Sat.	Calculation <sup>b</sup>	Gibert et al. (1992)
		3.85	3.68	3.70	4.25				Sat.	MBR model extrapolation <sup>c</sup>	Wood and Samson (2000)
		3.56		3.39		3.96			500	HKF model extrapolation <sup>e</sup>	Wood and Samson (2000)
							5.50		1000	Calculation <sup>b</sup>	Gibert et al. (1992)
		3.37		3.08		3.14	3.57	4.16	1000	HKF model extrapolation <sup>e</sup>	Wood and Samson (2000)
		2.52	2.48	2.48	2.51	2.59	2.88	3.31	1000	MBR model extrapolation <sup>d</sup>	This study
$\log K_7$	$WO_4^{2} + H^+ = HWO_4^{-1}$	4.96 <sup>d</sup>	5.60	6.47	8.00				Sat.	MBR model	This study
		5.34	6.07	6.89					Sat.	Potentiometric measurement	Wesolowski et al. (1984)
		6.31	6.79						Sat.	Uv-vis spectroscopy	Minubayeva (2007)
		5.40	6.10	6.90	7.70				Sat.	Calculation <sup>a</sup>	Heinrich (1990)
				6.90						Calculation <sup>b</sup>	Gibert et al. (1992)
		5.29	6.00	6.85	8.04				Sat.	HKF model extrapolation <sup>e</sup>	Shock et al. (1997)
		5.15		6.48		8.10			500	HKF model extrapolation <sup>e</sup>	Wood and Samson (2000)
							8.10			Calculation <sup>b</sup>	Gibert et al. (1992)
		5.03		6.23		7.58	9.17	11.10	1000	HKF model extrapolation <sup>e</sup>	Wood and Samson (2000)
		5.02	5.61	6.23	6.88	7.58	9.17	11.09	1000	HKF model extrapolation <sup>e</sup>	Shock et al. (1997)
		4.47	4.93	5.44	6.03	6.73	8.63	10.98	1000	MBR model extrapolation <sup>d</sup>	This study
Solubility constants (pK = -logK)											
	T °C	200	250	300	350	400	500	600	P bars		References
pK <sub>5</sub>	$WO_3^{cryst} + H_2O = H_2WO_4^{0}$		5.26	4.98	4.62				Sat.	Solubility experiment	This study
			3.81	3.61	3.29				Sat.	MBR model extrapolation <sup>c</sup>	Wood and Samson (2000)
							2.55		1000	Solubility experiment	Wood and Vlassopoulos (1989)
				4.00		3.40	3.10	2.70	1000	Solubility experiment	Wood (1992)
							2.55		1000	Calculation <sup>b</sup>	Gibert et al. (1992)
		5.77	5.42	5.17	4.97	4.80	4.50	4.60	1000	MBR model extrapolation <sup>d</sup>	This study
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$pK_4$	$WO_3^{cryst} + H_2O = HWO_4^- + H^+$		7.89	7.69	7.58				Sat.	Solubility experiment	This study		
			7.50	7.31	7.54				Sat.	HKF model extrapolation <sup>e</sup>	Shock et al. (1997)		
		7.73	7.22	6.86	6.63	6.54	6.83	7.81	1000	HKF model extrapolation <sup>e</sup>	Shock et al. (1997)		
		8.29	7.90	7.65	7.49	7.39	7.38	7.92	1000	MBR model extrapolation <sup>d</sup>	This study		

Note: <sup>a</sup> Calculated from Wesolowski et al. (1984).

<sup>b</sup> Calculated from Wesolowski et al. (1984) and Wood and Vlassopoulos (1989).

<sup>c</sup> Calculated from MBR (Bryzgalin-Ryzhenko Model) parameters based on the data of Wood and Samson (2000).

<sup>d</sup> Calculated from MBR (Bryzgalin-Ryzhenko Model) parameters based on data from this study.

<sup>e</sup> Calculated from HKF (Helgeson-Kirkham-Flowers Model) parameters.

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