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Abstract

The thick-enameled, bunodont dentition shared by most early hominins has traditionally been interpreted as reflecting durophagy, especially in the robust genus *Paranthropus*. However, subsequent works on dental microwear textures (DMT) and biogeochemical compositions have challenged this hypothesis. Some authors argued that their robust morphology might have been driven by the consumption of mechanically challenging resources during periods of food scarcity. An experimental baseline using a model taxon with bunodont, thick-enameled cheek teeth, could help better interpret DMT and test hypotheses regarding the consumption of mechanically challenging foods that could be fallback foods. Besides, earlier studies have shown that DMT can track subtle dietary variations in extant taxa. This study aims at testing the hypothesis that the consumption of various seeds has an impact on DMT of bunodont mammals despite similar overall diets. Trials were conducted on four groups of domestic pigs (*Sus scrofa*) all fed on mixed cereal and soy flours: the control group received only flours (n = 12), and the three others were supplemented with either 20 % corn kernels (n = 6), 30 % barley seeds (n = 5), or 10 hazelnuts in shell per day (n = 6). We studied phases I and II facets on first molars and on fourth deciduous premolars, and applied a subsampling surface strategy to identify discriminative parameters among dietary groups. Principal Component Analyses show that DMT differ between pigs fed on different types of seeds. Our results also demonstrate that combining both crushing and shearing facets into analyses improves dietary discriminations. This study shows that variables that contribute most to dietary discriminations as selected from the subsampling strategy are mainly height parameters. These results thus support the idea that the consumption of seeds has an impact on the relief of surface textures.

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1. Introduction

Ecological constraints associated with feeding and foraging can exert key selective pressures among animals, leading to physiological, morphological, and/or behavioral adaptations (e.g., Bels and Herrel, 2019). Thus, investigating the diets of extinct species contributes to a better understanding of how their morphological diversity can be related to feeding adaptive traits (Codron et al., 2008; Cerling et al., 2011; Winkler et al., 2013). Dietary inferences have primarily been based on functional interpretations of craniomandibular and dental morphologies (Anthony and Kay, 1993; Ungar, 2002; Damuth and Janis, 2011). However, if trophic morphology may help us to identify gross dietary habits, it tells us more about what an extinct species was capable to eat than the precise composition of its diet (Lister, 2013; Tütken et al., 2013; Gailer et al., 2016; van Casteren et al., 2019). Dietary habits and feeding adaptations are not equivalent, and it has been shown that some species do not actually, or very rarely, eat items to which their trophic morphology seems to be adapted. Some apparently specialized feeders have in fact a more diversified diet than expected given their morphology. This phenomenon, known as “Liem’s Paradox”, was first demonstrated (Liem, 1980) for cichlid fish. It has been proposed as well among other taxa, notably primates (Remis, 2002; Lambert et al., 2004; Norconk and Veres, 2011; Sayers, 2013; Grine and Daegling, 2017). A mismatch between craniomandibular and dental morphology and dietary habits has also been described among extant and extinct suids (Harris and Cerling, 2002; Souron, 2017; Lazagabaster, 2019). To explain some apparent discrepancies between dental morphologies and diets, notably in some primate species, resources now commonly referred as “fallback foods” (FBFs) have received considerable attention (Robinson and Wilson, 1998; Yamashita, 1998; Lambert et al., 2004; Marshall and Wrangham, 2007). FBFs are defined as resources that are particularly consumed during periods of food scarcity, when preferred items are scarce or unavailable (Marshall et al., 2009). Such items, generally mechanically challenging, have been recognized as potential selective drivers of trophic morphologies or behaviors, notably among primates (MacArthur and Pianka, 1966; Robinson and Wilson, 1998; Potts, 2004). They

received much more attention in recent years (Altmann, 2009; Constantino and Wright, 2009; Constantino et al., 2009; Lucas et al., 2009; Marshall et al., 2009; Wrangham et al., 2009).

Numerous studies advocated for the importance of FBFs as key selective agents in the evolution of early hominins, particularly to understand the discrepancy between dietary habits inferred from dental microwear and dental morphologies (Laden and Wrangham, 2005; Scott et al., 2005; Dominy et al., 2008; Ungar et al., 2008; Constantino et al., 2009; Strait et al., 2009). The thick-enameled, bunodont cheek teeth shared by most early hominins has traditionally been considered as reflecting durophagy, especially in the robust genus *Paranthropus* whose diet was thought to be mainly composed of hard foods such as nuts and seeds (Robinson, 1954). This interpretation based on craniomandibular and dental morphology have led to the vision that *Paranthropus* were specialized feeders. However, later works focusing on enamel biogeochemical compositions and dental microwear textures have challenged this hypothesis. Notably, they show contrasting patterns between eastern and southern African *Paranthropus* and overlapping diets between some hominins (e.g., Ungar and Sponheimer, 2011; Martin et al., 2020). Some authors have suggested robust morphologies might have been driven by the consumption of mechanically challenging foods during “fallback” episodes of resource stress (e.g., Ungar and Daegling, 2013). However, without an experimental baseline using model taxa with similar bunodont, thick-enameled dentition, it has proven difficult to interpret DMT of early hominins and to test hypotheses regarding their fallback strategies. Moreover, such an experimental baseline would also be helpful to test hypotheses regarding the relationship between craniomandibular and dental morphologies and the consumption of FBFs among suids with seasonal/opportunistic feeding behaviors (Lazagabaster, 2019).

Besides enamel biogeochemical composition, dental microwear texture analysis (DMTA) is one of the few proxies that inform us about what was actually eaten by an extinct species. Indeed, microscopic marks on enamel surfaces are highly dependent on the mechanical properties and inner biosilica content of the masticated foods, although exogenous

abrasive particles may also contribute to toothwear (Teaford and Oyen, 1989; Lucas, 2004; Hua et al., 2015; Xia et al., 2015; Daegling et al., 2016; Merceron et al., 2016; Teaford et al., 2017; Winkler et al., 2020; see also Lucas et al., 2013; van Casteren et al., 2018). Microwear textures have a fast turnover rate so that DMTA records the diet of an animal a few weeks or months before death (Teaford and Oyen, 1989; Romero et al., 2012; Winkler et al., this volume). DMTA has proved its efficiency in assessing the diets of extant primate species (Scott et al., 2006, 2012; Krueger et al., 2008; Percher et al., 2017) and has been widely used for paleodietary reconstructions (Scott et al., 2005; Merceron et al., 2006, 2009, this volume; Ungar et al., 2008; Martin et al., 2018; Peterson et al., 2018). DMTA can then provide insights into ecological niche partitioning and dietary overlap between sympatric species, thus contributing to a better understanding of inter- and intraspecific competition (Teaford and Runestad, 1992; Ramdarshan et al., 2011; Merceron et al., 2014; Hofman-Kamińska et al., 2018; Martin et al., 2018; Percher et al., 2017; Aiba et al., 2019). Moreover, studies have shown that DMTA can reflect subtle dietary variations within species or populations, such as seasonal, social or sexual differences (Teaford and Robinson, 1989; Merceron et al., 2010; Berlioz et al., 2017; Percher et al., 2017). However, the mechanisms of dental microwear formation are still highly debated (Lucas et al., 2013, 2014; Xia et al., 2015; van Casteren et al., 2018, 2020; Teaford et al., 2020; Winkler et al., 2020) and little is known about whether microwear patterns can reflect small proportions of foods such as FBFs in an individual's diet. These limitations are crucial elements that need to be investigated to better interpret microwear textures of extinct species, notably among early hominins. Controlled-food experiments are assumed to reduce the dietary variability and thus enable targeting the effect of specific resources on dental microwear textures. In recent years, there have been an increasing number of studies with controlled feeding experiments (Teaford and Oyen, 1989; Hoffman et al., 2015; Calandra et al., 2016; Merceron et al., 2016; Ramdarshan et al., 2016, 2017; Ackermans et al., 2018, 2020; Zykov et al., 2018; Martin et al., 2019, this volume; Winkler et al., 2019, this volume; Schulz-Kornas et al., 2020). Most studies focused on herbivorous mammals and there is no work focusing on DMT variations of controlled-fed omnivorous mammals with bunodont, thick-

enamel dentition and similar overall diets (but see Teaford and Oyen, 1989; Teaford et al., 2017, this volume). Few works analyzed DMT variations among extant and extinct suids that exhibit this morphology, but they all point to the need of further studies for a better understanding of the relationship between dental microwear patterns and feeding behaviors (Ward and Mainland, 1999; Souron et al., 2015; Ungar et al., 2017; Yamada et al., 2018; Lazagabaster, 2019). Thus, such a controlled-feeding study is particularly interesting for helping the interpretation of DMT patterns among extant and extinct suids, as well as among early hominins and for a better understanding of niche partitioning between them.

In the present study, we investigate DMT variations on 29 domestic pigs (*Sus scrofa*), issued from controlled feeding experiments. We aim to test the hypothesis that the consumption of various types of seeds leads to significant differences of DMT despite similar overall diets. Recent in vivo and in vitro experimental studies have shown contrasting results about whether the consumption of hard seeds impacts dental microwear but none focused on standard measures of overall microwear textures (Teaford et al., 2020; van Casteren et al., 2020). Because high texture complexity (*Asfc*) has been related to the consumption of hard and/or brittle items, such as seeds, nuts, woody browse, hard fruits or bones (Scott et al., 2006, 2012; Schubert et al., 2010; Daegling et al., 2011), we expect that pigs fed on the hardest seeds would show more complex textures than pigs fed on softer seeds, and even more than pigs fed only on flours. Besides, because pigs had a large part of their diet in common, and considering previous studies by Francisco et al. (2018a, 2018b), we expect that using the whole set of discriminative texture parameters selected from their surface sampling strategy will highlight dietary discriminations depending on the type of seeds consumed. Moreover, we hypothesize that combining both phase I (shearing) and phase II (crushing) facets will improve these discriminations.

2. Material and methods

2.1. Controlled-food trials

The controlled-food experiments were carried out at the experimental unit UE1372 GenESI (Pigs innovative breeding experimental Facility, Vienne, France; DOI: 10.15454/1.5572415481185847E12) of the INRAE (*Institut national de recherche pour l'agriculture, l'alimentation et l'environnement*). Trials were conducted on domestic pigs (*Sus scrofa*; large-white cross breed Piétrain) and were designed by G.M. and S.F (agreement number: APAFiS 155/2015012117162897, *Ministère de l'Enseignement Supérieur et de la Recherche*). We considered a total of 29 juvenile pigs fed with four different diets *ad libitum* (Figure 1). Pigs were weaned about 28 days old and were raised on concrete floors. Each animal had access to an individual trough. They were kept together in groups of five to six pigs according to their dedicated diet. Before they were given their dedicated diets, they were all fed daily with a dry base diet (manufactured by ALICOOP) composed of 90 % of wheat (*Triticum* spp.), barley (*Hordeum vulgare*), and triticale (x *Triticosecale*) flour, and 10 % of soybean (*Glycine max*) flour. This period of homogenization of surface textures lasted at least 48 days. The control group (n = 12) was then fed exclusively with the same base diet described above for at least another 30 days before death. This base diet, composed of ground cereal and soy seeds (Table 1), is expected to have little impact on dental microwear textures and represents a baseline for comparing dietary signals among the experimental groups. However, these base flours contain the outer parts of the grains and therefore imply higher abrasivity than finer flours. The three other groups then received seeds of different size and hardness (Table 2) in addition to the base diet. A 4-day period of adaptation to the new diet (with a progressive intake of seeds) was carried out on these three groups just before the dietary switch. The corn group (n = 6) was fed with 60 % of the base diet and 20 % of corn (*Zea mays*) flour, supplemented with 20 % (as dry matter weight) of corn kernels. The barley group (n = 5) was fed with 30 % of barley seeds and 70 % of the base diet. These two groups of pigs received their dedicated diet for at least another 95 days before death. The hazelnut group (n = 6) was fed with the same amount of flours than the control group and received 10 hazelnuts in shell

(*Corylus avellana*; endosperm and shell used but leafy involucre removed, Figure 1) per pig each day for another 30 days, during the month before slaughter. Due to a lack of homogeneity in hardness measurements in literature, we considered the mean force required for cracking the seed as an indicator for seed hardness (rupture force decreasing from hazelnuts to barley seeds; Table 2). Indeed, hardness is frequently defined as the resistance of a surface to deforming under indentation, and is usually measured as the ratio of rupture force to indented area (Lucas, 2004); rupture force thus helps estimate the hardness of the seeds. Each flour (including the base diet) was sieved through mesh of 1.25 mm and 0.5 mm diameter. The wheat, barley and triticale flour is composed of approximately 25 % particles above 1.25 mm diameter and 35 % below 0.5 mm. The soybean flour is composed of approximately 60 % particles above 1.25 mm diameter and less than 10 % below 0.5 mm (Table 2). Consequently, because the base diet is composed of an important amount of particles above 1.25 mm, it would be inappropriate to consider the pigs fed only on flours as a model for soft-food eaters. The corn flour, only given to the corn group, is composed of less than 20 % particles above 1.25 mm diameter and 43 % below 0.5 mm (Table 2). Each group was approximately sex-balanced (Table S1). None of the pigs lost weight during the experiments. As planned by the experimental unit, pigs were slaughtered from six and a half months to nine and a half months old when they reached their target weight (about 150–200 kg; females slaughtered a month after males) and were all sold for meat (Figure 1; see Table S1 for details). Pig skulls were then boiled for 4 hours in water to remove the flesh, and dried in an oven for 24 hours at 40 °C.

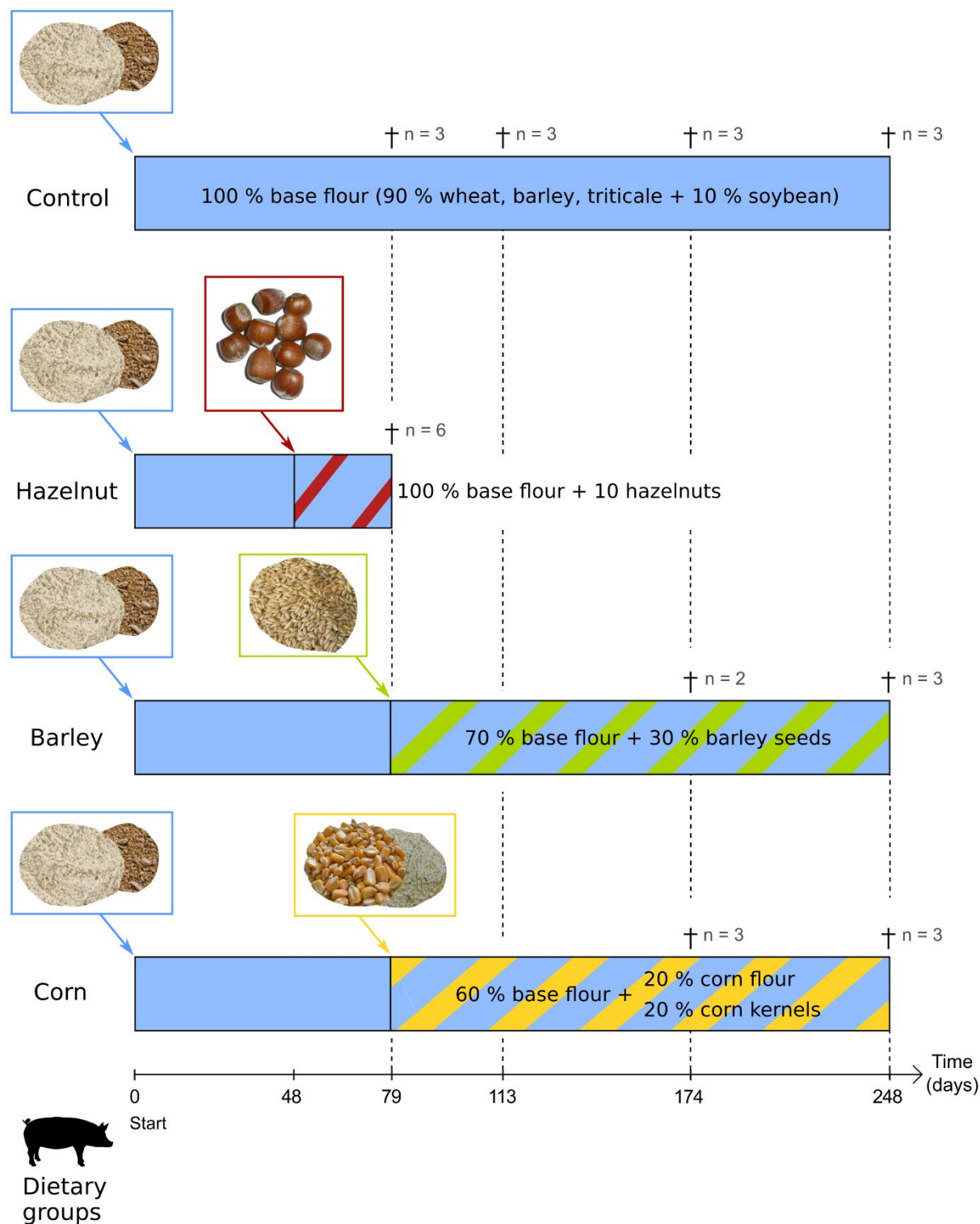


Figure 1. Graphical representation of the controlled-feeding experimental design conducted on domestic pigs (*Sus scrofa*). Food items given to pigs are represented in blue (base diet: 90 % wheat, barley and triticales flour + 10 % soybean flour), red and blue (100 % base diet + 10 hazelnuts in shell per day), green and blue (70 % base diet + 30 % barley seeds), and yellow and blue (60 % base diet + 20 % corn flour + 20 % corn kernels). Period of homogenization of surface textures lasted at least 48 days. A 4-day period of adaptation to the new diet (not

represented on the figure) was carried out just before the dietary switch. Each time point specified by † indicate feeding duration before slaughter (and number of pigs slaughtered).

Table 1. Particle size distribution within the flours given to pigs. The base diet given to all dietary groups is composed of 90 % wheat, barley, and triticale flour and 10 % of soybean flour. The corn flour is only given to the corn group (20 % of the diet).

Flour	Total sieved weight	< 0.5 mm	0.5 mm – 1.25 mm	> 1.25 mm
Wheat, barley, triticale (g)	1024	383	391	250
Wheat, barley, triticale (%)	100	37.4	38.2	24.4
Soybean (g)	840	75	255	510
Soybean (%)	100	8.9	30.4	60.7
Corn (g)	955	411	376	168
Corn (%)	100	43	39.4	17.6

Table 2. Summary statistics (mean and standard deviation SD) for dimensions (length of major and minor axes), density and hardness index of each seed type. Dimensions are averaged from 30 measured seeds. Densities are estimated from weights of 30 seeds for corn kernels and hazelnuts, and from number of seeds in 20 g for barley. Mean rupture forces are averaged from two studies for each type of seeds: hazelnut (Ercisli et al., 2011; Delprete and Sesana, 2014), corn (Tran et al., 1981; Kalkan et al., 2011), and barley (Markowski et al., 2010; Nouri Jangi et al., 2011).

Seed	Major axis (mm)		Minor axis (mm)		Density (seeds/kg)	Rupture force (N)
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD		
Barley	8.93	0.89	3.64	0.31	22,500	140.51
Corn	12.75	0.91	8.18	0.53	3,333	164.42
Hazelnut	20.56	1.51	19.22	0.72	375	331.26

2.2. Molding, scanning, and processing of the surfaces

This study focused on lower and upper first molars (Figure 2) because molars are the most studied teeth when analyzing dental microwear in paleodietary investigations. We considered the first ones as the second molars were not fully erupted by the end of the experiments. None of the molars showed dentin exposure, or only slightly on some buccal cusp apices, corresponding to early stages of wear (stages b-c following Rolett and Chiu, 1994). We also analyzed deciduous upper fourth premolars (Figure 2) because they are more

worn than molars and are thus expected to be more functional, and consequently to carry a more pronounced dietary signal than molars. Moreover, deciduous fourth premolars are molariform (see Figure 2) and display the same wear pattern, including phase I and phase II dental facets. All crushing and shearing facets were visible on premolars, islets of dentin were visible and wear facets on mesial cusps tended to coalesce (stages d-e following Rolett and Chiu, 1994). We did not analyze lower fourth deciduous premolars because they are heavily worn. Each tooth surface was cleaned with cotton swabs soaked with a 3 % bleach solution (NaOCl) to remove organic matter, dust, and dirt, and then generously rinsed with distilled water. Once dry, occlusal surfaces were molded with polyvinylsiloxane (Regular Body President, ref. 6015 - ISO 4823, medium consistency, polyvinylsiloxane addition-type, Coltene Whaledent). We studied both one shearing (phase I) and one crushing (phase II) facet of the same tooth (Figure 2). Each facet was carefully cut on the silicon impression (negative replica) and scanned as flat as possible using "TRIDENT", a white-light confocal profilometer Leica DCM8 with a 100x objective housed at the PALEVOPRIM lab, CNRS and University of Poitiers, France (Numerical aperture = 0.90; Working distance = 0.9 mm; Leica Microsystems). Each scanned surface was pre-processed using LeicaMap v8.0 (Leica Microsystems; MountainsMap, Digital Surf). Surfaces were inverted along the z-axis and non-measured points (< 3 %) were filled with a smooth shape (Laplacian filter) calculated from neighboring points. A morphological filter was applied to remove artifacts such as aberrant peaks (Merceron et al., 2016) and surfaces were then leveled. A 200 × 200 μm (1551 × 1551 pixels) leveled area was automatically generated at the center of each surface. In case of adhering dirt particles, the extracted area was shifted aside to get the particles out of the field of selection. In the worst case, the particles were manually erased using a user-defined contour on few scans and replaced with a smooth shape calculated from neighboring points. If adhering dirt particles exceed 10 μm, the specimen was cleaned and scanned again until there was no dirt on the surface.

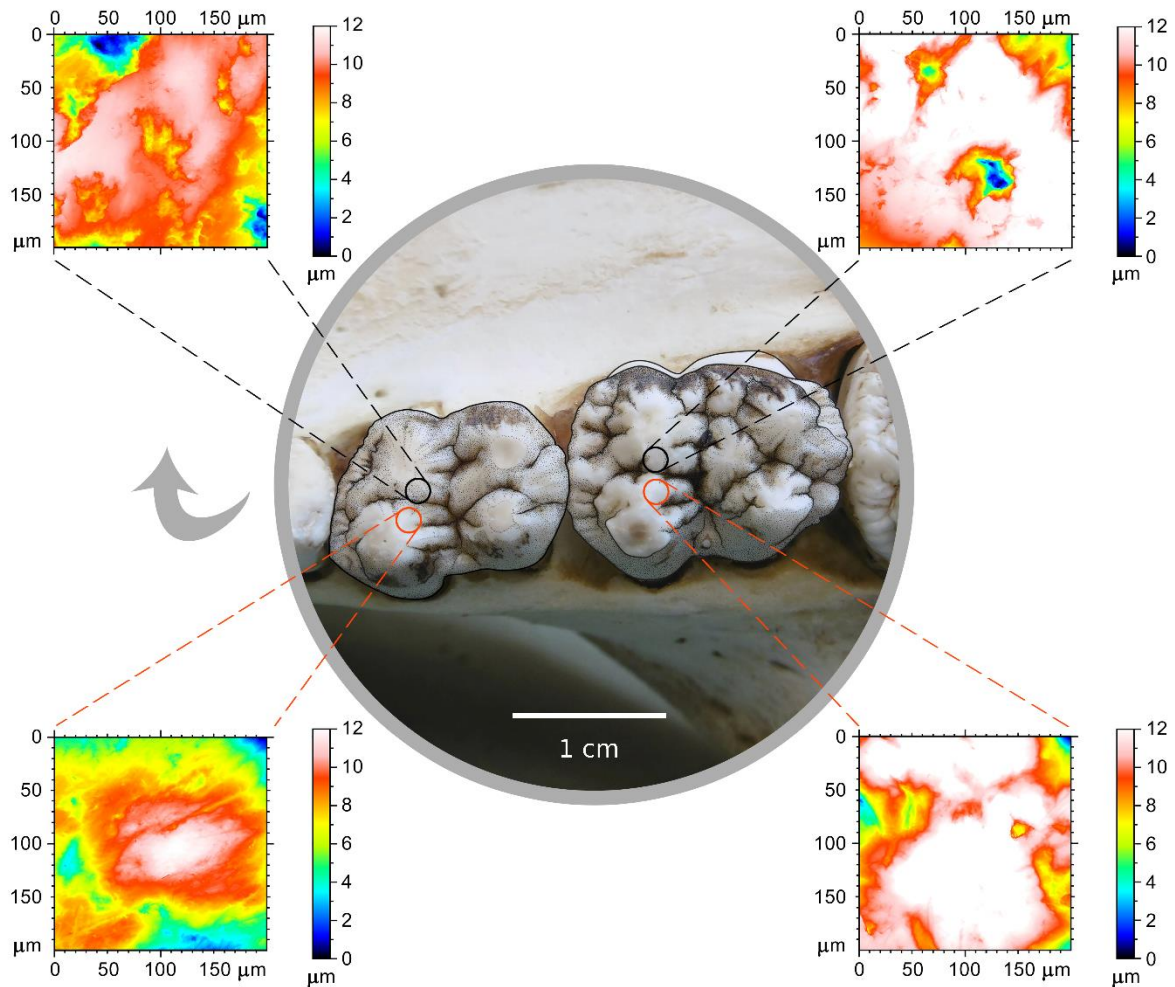


Figure 2. Exemplary occlusal views of right upper first molar (right) and fourth deciduous premolar (left) and topography (false color elevation map) of one individual for each scanned crushing and shearing facet. Localizations of one shearing and one crushing facet are depicted in red and black circles, respectively. The arrow is oriented mesio-lingually.

2.3. Acquisition of textural parameters

We generated two sets of data for each scanned surface: 1) Scale-Sensitive Fractal Analysis parameters (SSFA; Scott et al., 2006); 2) parameters obtained using a statistical routine introduced by Francisco et al. (2018a, 2018b), including most parameters (some modified) from the international standard ISO 25178. Prior to the calculation of SSFA-parameters, a second-order least square polynomial surface (PS2) was subtracted from each surface to remove the concavity of dental facets in order to better visualize the relief due to microwear. Parameters obtained with the statistical routine are measured on surfaces

subtracted from an eighth-order least square polynomial surface (PS8) because it enhances roughness clarity (Francisco et al., 2018b).

1) SSFA-parameters were calculated using LeicaMap v. 8.0. We considered four texture variables for this study: Area-scale fractal complexity (*Asfc*), exact proportion of Length-scale anisotropy of relief (*epLsar* (*Sfrax*) in LeicaMap v8.0), Scale of maximum fractal complexity (*Smfc*), Heterogeneity of Area-scale fractal complexity (*HAsfc*, calculated through 36 cells). Complexity (*Asfc*) measures the surface roughness at a given scale. Anisotropy (*epLsar*) quantifies the orientation concentration of surface roughness. *Smfc* estimates the scale at which maximal complexity is calculated. *HAsfc* measures the variation of complexity of subsampled parts of the surface (6 × 6 blocks in this study). Detailed descriptions of these parameters can be found in Scott et al. (2006).

2) The sampling method described by Francisco et al. (2018a, 2018b) generates 256 sub-surfaces of 256 × 256 pixels per scanned surface. It produces one global value (on the whole 200 × 200 μm surface) per parameter and different statistics per parameter from the 256 sub-surfaces batch. Sixteen height, spatial, and topological parameters are generated (Table S2). Nine statistics per parameter and per surface (composed of 256 sub-surfaces) are extracted: mean and median, skewness and kurtosis, standard deviation, means of the *n* values above and below the first and third quartiles, means of the 25 % lowest and highest values (Table S3). It thus generates a set of 160 variables (combination of statistics and parameters plus the global value). Francisco et al.'s routine (2018a, 2018b) is run independently for each of the two types of facets (crushing and shearing) to target the most discriminative variables among samples (Tables S4, S9, S14). The routine starts with a Box-Cox transformation and ends with the extraction of the three best discriminative variables after running Fisher's LSD tests (Figure S1A). We followed here Merceron et al.'s (this volume) implementation (Figure S1B): after LSD tests, each set (for crushing and shearing facets) of discriminative variables is ordered by decreasing number of significant differences between the four feeding groups of pigs (Figure S1B, Box 1). Then, we computed the geometric mean,

rather than the arithmetic one, of significant p-values ($p < 0.05$) per variable because the arithmetic mean can be overly influenced by high values (Figure S1B, Box 2). We extracted the variable with the lowest mean p-value for each parameter for each of the two sets on crushing and shearing facets (Figure S1B, Box 4). Finally, 8 and 14 variables are extracted on lower molars (respectively on crushing and shearing facets; Table S5), 13 and 12 variables are extracted on upper molars (respectively on crushing and shearing facets; Table S10) and 15 and 3 variables are extracted on upper deciduous premolars (respectively on crushing and shearing facets; Table S15).

2.4. Statistical analyses

All statistical analyses were conducted in the R statistical environment (R Core Team, 2019, v3.6.2). Using the discriminative variables gathered from the sampling method, we performed six Principal Component Analyses (PCA; packages “FactoMineR”, “ggplot2” and “factoextra”) on each of the two types of facets on lower molars, upper molars, and upper deciduous premolars. Additionally, three PCA were produced combining both crushing and shearing facets on lower molars, upper molars, and upper deciduous premolars (Figure S1B, Box 5). SSFA-parameters (*Asfc*, *epLsar*, *HAsfc*, and *Smfc*) on each of the two types of facets were then inserted into PCA as supplementary variables (Figure S1B, Box 6). Contrary to variables gathered from the sampling method, SSFA-parameters had no influence on the PC computations but they were used to help interpret the distributions.

Analyses of variance (one-way ANOVAs) were performed on the PC coordinates to detect significant differences among the four controlled-fed groups. PC coordinates were Box-Cox transformed to meet the ANOVA assumptions of homoscedasticity and normality of the residual errors. Then, we conducted two post-hoc tests (package “agricolae”) to detect significant differences between dietary groups (Tables S6-S8, S11-S13, S16-S18): Tukey’s Honest Significant Difference test (HSD) and Fisher’s Least Significant Difference test (LSD;

less conservative than Tukey's HSD). In case of violation of the assumptions, an alternative Kruskal-Wallis test was run followed with a post-hoc Dunn's test.

3. Results

3.1. Lower molars

When combining crushing and shearing lower molar facets in the PCA, the most contributing variables along PC1 are from shearing facets and represent in majority dispersion statistics of height parameters (Figure S2). Along PC2, the most contributing variables are equally issued from crushing and shearing facets. They mainly represent dispersion statistics but also central (contributing about 20 % to PC2) and distribution (about 10 %) of height parameters. PC1 is twice as informative as PC2: PC1 and PC2 explain respectively 35.6 % and 18.1 % of the variance (Figure S2). Significant differences between dietary groups are observed only on PC1 and PC2 axes (Table S6). Added as supplementary variables, *Asfc* (SSFA-parameter) of shearing facets is positively correlated with PC1 values, and *Asfc* of crushing facets is positively correlated with PC2 values (Figure 3).

Pigs fed with barley seeds show the highest PC1 values. Hazelnut-fed pigs and the control group exhibit significantly lower PC1 values, meaning they show less complex enamel surfaces on molar shearing facets than the barley-fed pigs ($p < 0.002$ and $p < 0.004$, respectively; Figure 3, Table S6). Dispersion statistics of the absolute value of the smallest height *Sv* and median height *Smd*, and percentage of nearly horizontal faces *Sh*, all on shearing facets, contribute to pull these two groups toward low PC1 values (Figure 3, Figure S2). Pigs fed with corn kernels tend to express intermediate PC1 values. Barley-fed pigs display higher values of complexity *Asfc* on shearing facets (supplementary variable) compared to all other groups (Figure 3).

Along PC2, corn kernel-fed pigs show high values whereas the three other groups all display lower values (Figure 3). They tend to show high values of complexity *Asfc* on crushing facets, as reflected by the positive correlation of this supplementary to PC2 (Figure 3). The corn group is significantly different from the control one ($p < 0.03$, Table S6), and from the two other groups of seed-eaters according to LSD ($p < 0.02$; but $p < 0.10$ according to HSD, Table S6). The control group and hazelnut-fed pigs are overlapping along both PCs.

When considering only one type of facets, the discriminations between the DMT of lower molars of three groups of seed-eating pigs are weaker than when combining both types of facets (Figure 3). Using parameters on crushing facets only, the barley-fed group slightly overlaps with the two other groups of seed-eaters but significant differences are observed (along PC1, $p < 0.05$ between barley-fed and corn-fed pigs, and along PC2, $p < 0.04$ between barley-fed and hazelnut-fed pigs; Table S7). The hazelnut-fed and the corn-fed groups seem well distinct but significant difference is only observed with LSD (along PC1, $p = 0.04$; Table S7). Control pigs overlap with the three groups of seed-eaters but tend to be distinct from barley-fed pigs ($p = 0.04$ with LSD along PC2; Table S7). Parameters on shearing facets only allow to discriminate barley-fed pigs from the other groups (along PC1: $p < 0.004$ between barley-fed and hazelnut-fed pigs, $p < 0.005$ between barley-fed and control pigs; along PC2: $p < 0.02$ between barley-fed and corn-fed pigs according to Dunn's test; Table S8). Indeed, four out of five individuals of the barley group display high values along PC1 whereas the other groups show lower values along PC1 (except for one individual of the control group). Corn-fed pigs and hazelnut-fed pigs are slightly overlapping along both PCs. The control group tends to show the lowest values along PC2 and is significantly different from the hazelnut group ($p = 0.01$, Dunn's test; Table S8) and from the corn group ($p = 0.002$, Dunn's test; Table S8).

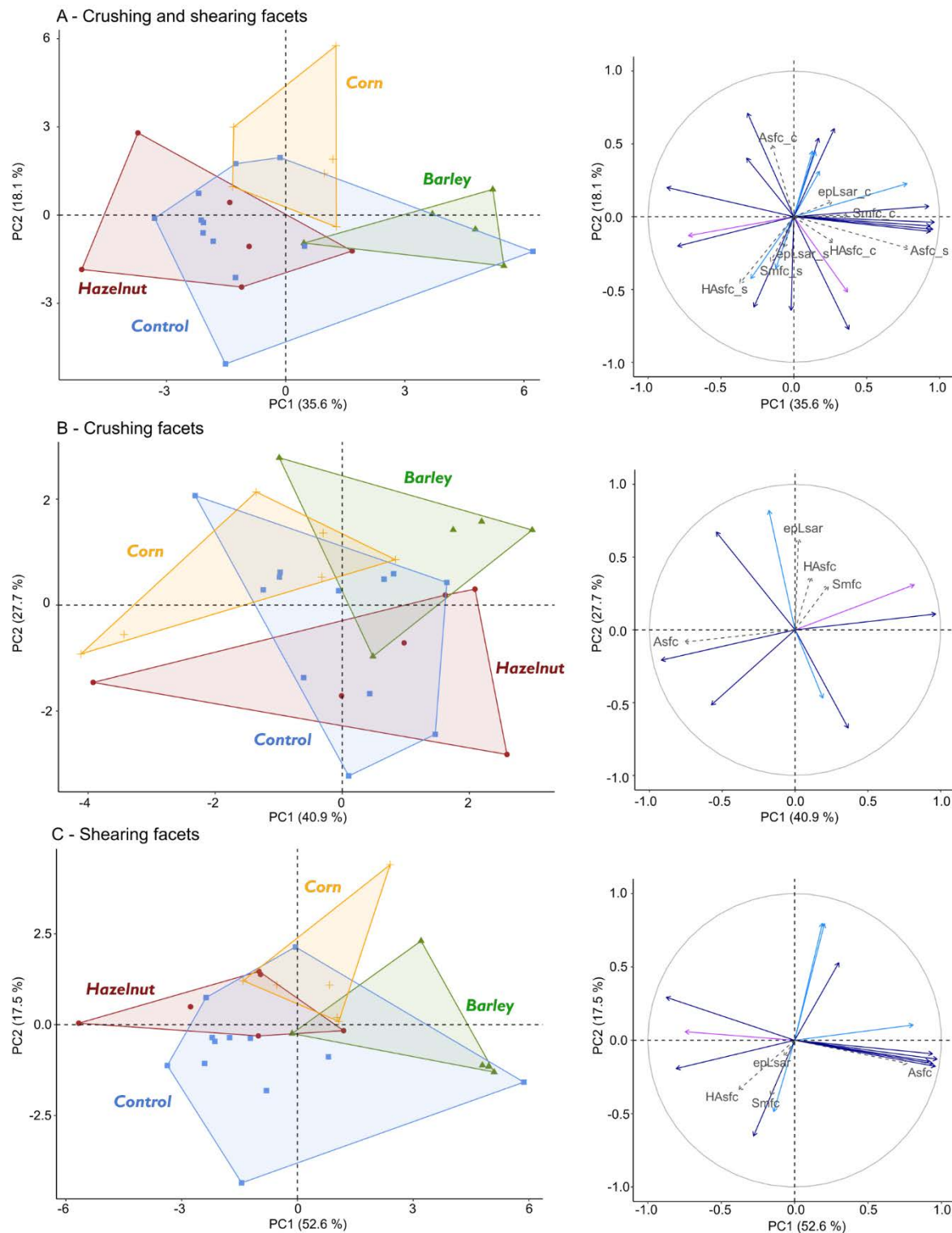


Figure 3. Distributions of individuals (left) and correlation circle (right) along PC1 and PC2 of the four dietary groups based on dental wear parameters from both crushing and shearing lower first molar facets (A), on crushing facets alone (B) and on shearing facets alone (C). Dietary groups: ●: 100 % base flours + 10 hazelnuts in shell a day, ▲: 70 % base flours + 30 % barley seeds, +: 60 % base flours + 20 % corn flour + 20 % corn kernels, ■: 100 % base flours. Active variables (filled arrows): height (dark blue), spatial (light blue), and topological (purple) parameters. SSFA-parameters added as supplementary variables (gray dotted

arrows). Suffixes “_c”: crushing facets, “_s”: shearing facets. See Figure S7 to visualize the distributions using sexes as another grouping factor.

3.2. Upper molars

When combining crushing and shearing facets on upper molars, PC1 explains about 30 % of the variance, PC2 about 20 % (Figure S3). Along PC1, the most contributing variables are mainly issued from shearing facets and mainly represent dispersion statistics of height parameters. Along PC2, parameters on crushing facets are the most contributing variables. They represent central and dispersion statistics of height parameters, but the median of the percentage of nearly horizontal faces (*Sh*), a topological parameter, contributes almost 10 % to the observed variance. No significant differences are observed on other PCs (Table S11). Added as supplementary variables, the anisotropy of crushing facets (*epLsar_c*) is positively correlated with PC1 values, and *Asfc* of crushing facets is positively correlated with PC2 values (Figure 4).

Along PC1, hazelnut fed-pigs show low values, and barley-fed pigs display on average low values but with a large inter-individual dispersion (Figure 4). Corn-fed pigs display the highest PC1 values and are strongly distinct from hazelnut-fed pigs ($p < 0.002$, Table S11), and well distinct from the two other groups as well ($p < 0.03$, Table S11). This reflects more complex molar shearing surfaces among corn kernel fed-pigs. The anisotropy SSFA-parameter *epLsar* of crushing facets tends to reflect a trend toward textures with more parallel striations associated with high values along PC1, whereas the most contributing variables to this PC are from shearing facets. Numerous SSFA-parameters, notably related to complexity, are also positively associated to PC1. Control pigs are highly variable along PC1 but do not show extreme values along PC2, suggesting low complexity on crushing upper molar facets, similarly to lower molars. Hazelnut-fed pigs show the highest PC2 values but with high inter-individual dispersion (Figure 4). Notably, first quartiles of arithmetic mean of the absolute value of the height *Sa* and of height standard deviation *Sq*, and the median of the relative area *Sdar* (developed area/projected area), all compiled on crushing facets, contribute to pull the

hazelnut-fed group toward high PC2 values (Figure 4, Figure S3). *Asfc* on crushing facets, positively associated with PC2, reflects a tendency to more complex surfaces on pigs fed with hazelnuts (Figure 4). Barley-fed pigs show intermediate to low values along PC2 and are significantly different from hazelnut-fed pigs along this component ($p < 0.03$, Table S11).

When considering one type of facets, the dietary discrimination is weaker than when considering both types (Figure 4). However, regarding parameters on crushing facets only, the three groups of seed-eating pigs tend to exhibit different microwear patterns. Hazelnut-fed pigs display complex surfaces and tend to be discriminated from the two other groups fed with seeds, especially from the corn-fed group. However, significant differences are only observed with LSD between hazelnut-fed and corn-fed pigs (both $p < 0.02$; Table S12). Barley-fed pigs exhibit low values on both PCs and are well discriminated from the hazelnut-fed group along PC1 ($p < 0.02$; Table S12) and from corn-fed pigs along PC2 ($p < 0.02$; Table S12). Regarding shearing facets only, only pigs fed with corn kernels are well distinct from the three other groups (along PC1: $p < 0.02$ between corn-fed and hazelnut-fed pigs, $p < 0.03$ between corn-fed and barley-fed pigs, and $p = 0.01$ between corn fed and control pigs with LSD but $p = 0.05$ with HSD; Table S13).

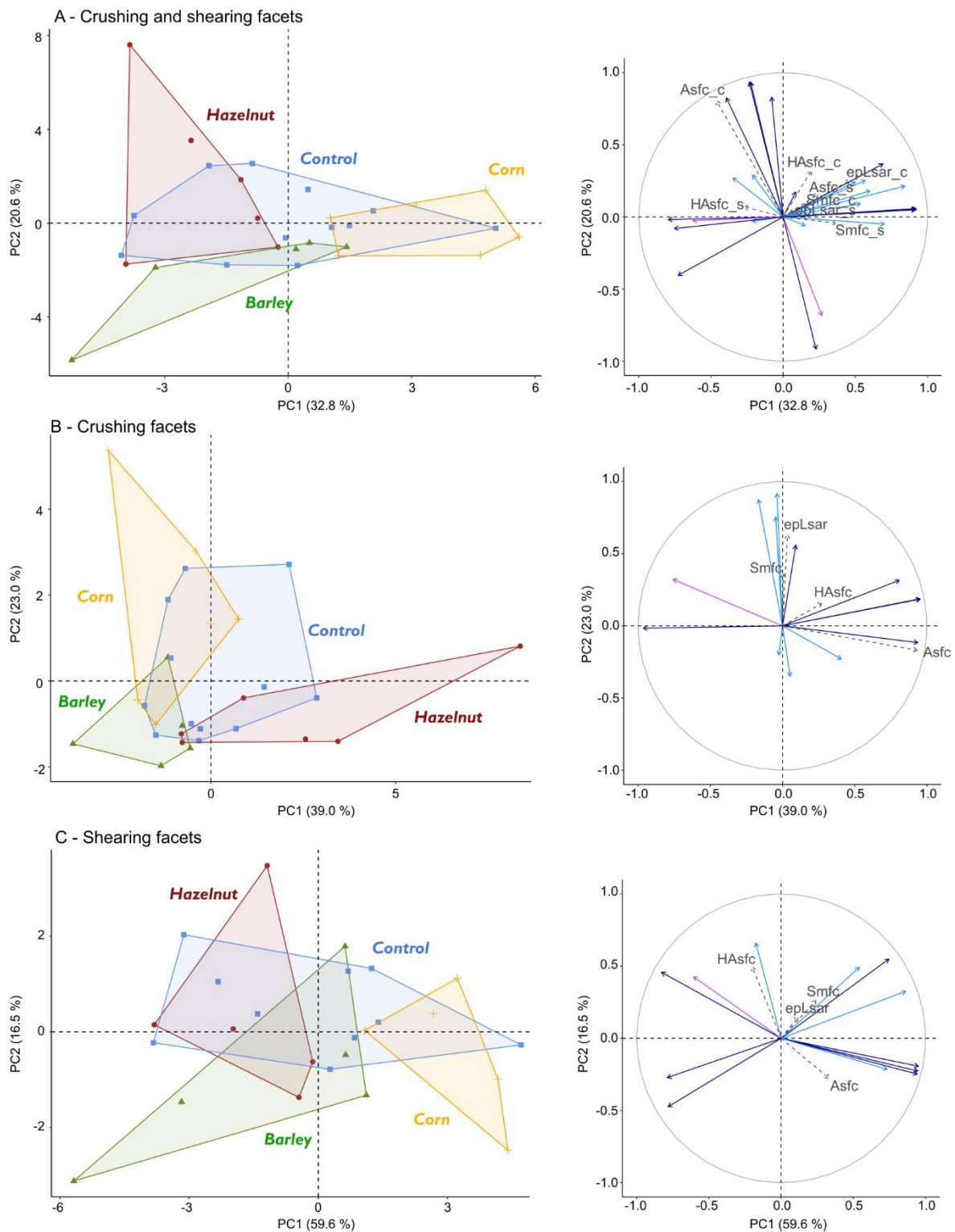


Figure 4. Distributions of individuals (left) and correlation circle (right) along PC1 and PC2 of the four dietary groups on both crushing and shearing upper first molar facets (A), on crushing facets alone (B), and on shearing facets alone (C). Dietary groups: ●: 100 % base flours + 10 hazelnuts in shell a day, ▲: 70 % base flours + 30 % barley seeds, +: 60 % base flours + 20 % corn flour + 20 % corn kernels, ■: 100 % base flours. Active variables (filled arrows): height (dark blue), spatial (light blue), and topological (purple) parameters. SSFA-parameters added

as supplementary variables (gray dotted arrows). Suffixes “_c”: crushing facets, “_s”: shearing facets. See Figure S8 to visualize the distributions using sexes as another grouping factor.

3.3. Upper deciduous premolars

Principal component analysis on upper fourth deciduous premolars shows that parameters on crushing facets contribute the most to both PC1 and PC2 (Figure S4). Significant differences between dietary groups are observed on PC1 and PC2, as well as on PC3 (Table S16). PC1 explains 33.7 % of the variance observed and is twice as informative as PC2 (Figure S4). No parameter on shearing facets substantially contributes to PC1. The most contributing variables along PC1 are dispersion statistics of height parameters on crushing facets, but the mean percentage of nearly horizontal faces *Sh* (on crushing facets), a topological parameter, contributes almost 10 % to PC1. Added as supplementary variable, *Asfc* of crushing facets is positively correlated with PC1 (Figure 5). Along this PC, barley-fed pigs are well distinct from control and corn-fed pigs (both $p < 0.002$, Table S16). Barley-fed pigs show the lowest PC1 values and corn-fed pigs exhibit the highest PC1 values (Figure 5). Specifically, the 25 % highest values of absolute smallest height *Sv* as well as the mean percentage of nearly horizontal faces *Sh*, both measured on crushing facets, contribute to pull barley-fed pigs toward low PC1 values (Figure S4). Dispersion statistics of the arithmetic mean of the absolute of the heights *Sa* and height standard deviation *Sq* of crushing facets contribute to pull the corn group toward high PC1 values.

PC2 explains 17 % of the variance and provides complementary information to PC1. The most contributing variables to PC2 mainly represent dispersion statistics of spatial parameters on crushing facets. Although no parameter on shearing facet substantially contributes to PC2, *epLsar* on shearing facets is positively associated to this component. The relative area *Sdar* (height parameter) and percentage of nearly horizontal faces *Sh*, both on crushing facets, contribute as well, albeit to a lesser extent. Along PC2, hazelnut-fed pigs show the lowest values and are well distinct from the three other groups ($p < 0.03$, Table S16).

Dispersion statistics of spatial parameters contribute to pull the control, the barley-fed, and the corn-fed groups toward high PC2 values. Control pigs and corn-fed pigs show similar values along both PC1 and PC2 axes (Figure 5). PC3 (Figure S5), which explains 12.8 % of the variance, provides few complementary discriminative information, but only for distinguishing the control group from the corn-fed group ($p < 0.02$, Table S16). However, control pigs still overlap with corn-fed pigs, as well as with hazelnut-fed pigs.

When considering only one type of facets, the PCA using parameters on crushing facets provides highly similar results (most contributing variables to PCs and distribution of individuals) to the PCA using both types of facets (Figure 5; see also Figures S5 and S6). Along PC1, barley-fed pigs differ from corn-fed ($p < 0.002$) and control pigs ($p < 0.003$), and from hazelnut-fed pigs along PC2 ($p < 0.04$; Table S17). The hazelnut and the corn groups differ significantly along PC2 ($p < 0.04$; Table S17). On shearing facets, only PC1 tends to show differences between dietary groups ($p = 0.08$; Table S18). No differences are observed on PC2 ($p > 0.3$) or PC3 ($p > 0.1$). The PCA biplot on shearing facets shows that all groups are strongly overlapping. The hazelnut-fed pigs differ from corn-fed pigs along PC1 but only according to LSD ($p = 0.02$). In contrast to molars, the combination of facets on upper fourth deciduous premolars does not improve the dietary discrimination compared to analyses that consider only crushing facets. However, combining both types of facets does not mask the discriminations.

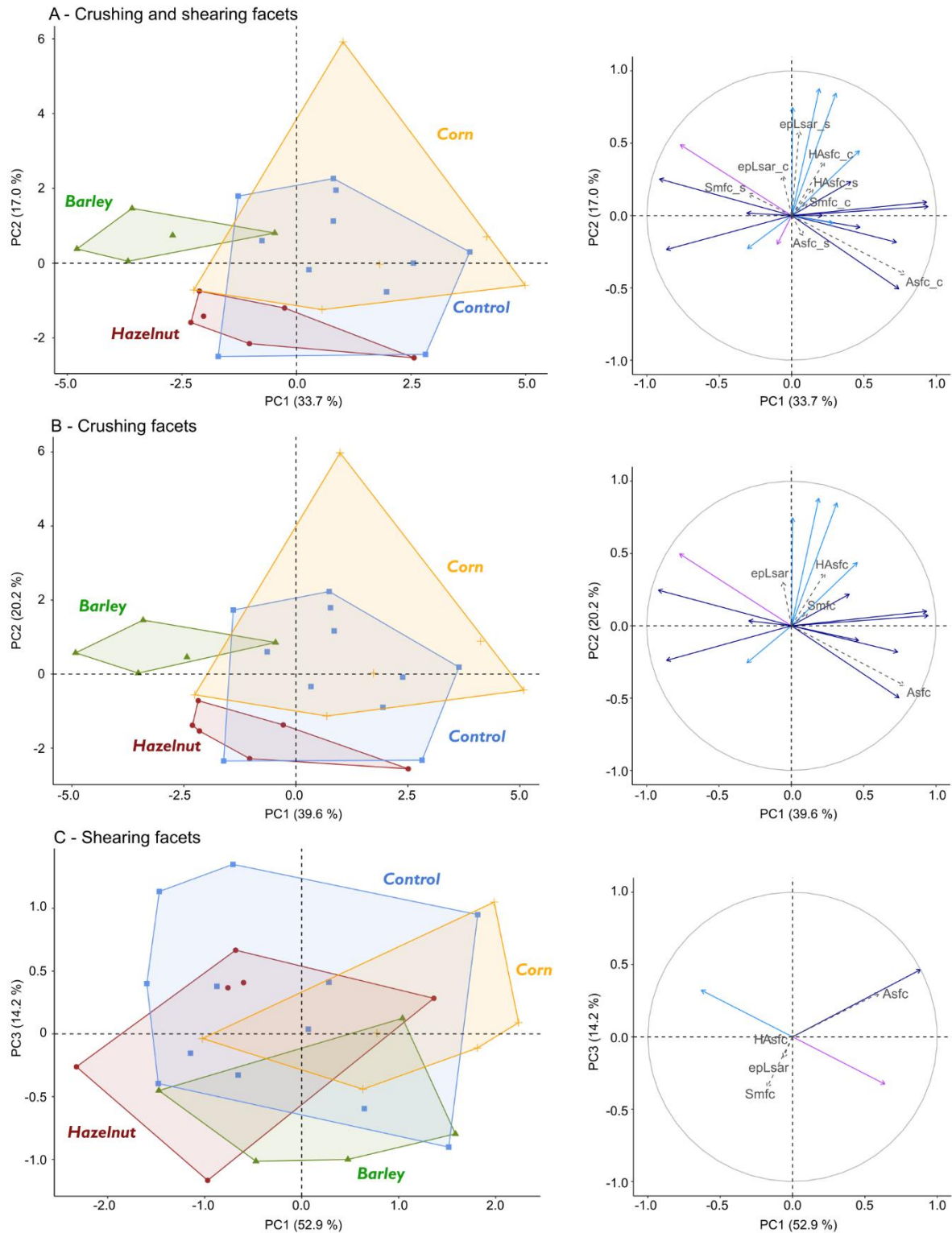


Figure 5. Distributions of individuals (left) and correlation circle (right) of the four dietary groups along PC1 and PC2 on both crushing and shearing upper fourth deciduous premolar facets (A), along PC1 and PC2 on crushing facets alone (B) and along PC1 and PC4 on shearing facets alone (C). Dietary groups: ●: 100 % base flours + 10 hazelnuts in shell a day, ▲: 70 % base flours + 30 % barley seeds, +: 60 % base flours + 20 % corn flour + 20 % corn kernels, ■: 100 % base flours. Active variables (filled arrows): height (dark blue), spatial (light blue) and topological (purple) parameters. SSFA-parameters added as supplementary variables (gray

dotted arrows). Suffixes “_c”: crushing facets, “_s”: shearing facets. See Figure S9 to visualize the distributions using sexes as another grouping factor.

4. Discussion

4.1. DMT in controlled-fed pigs and dietary overlapping among hominins

The present study analyzed DMT variations of controlled-fed pigs characterized by bunodont, thick-enameled cheek teeth. To our knowledge, this is the first work proposing an experimental baseline with a model taxon for interpreting DMT variations among extinct taxa with bunodont dentition and similar tooth wear pattern, such as suids or primates. We focused here on four dietary groups: pigs were all fed with the same flours (at least 60 % of the diet), supplemented with different types of seeds for three groups. While those pigs had overall similar diets, our results highlight significant differences in their DMT. In line with several studies on wild caught specimens (Teaford and Robinson, 1989; Merceron et al., 2010; Berlioz et al., 2017; Percher et al., 2017), this work strongly supports that DMT reflect intra-specific and even intra-population minor variations in dietary habits. Moreover, although van Casteren et al. (2020) recently argued that “hard plant tissues barely influence dental microwear textures”, we show that controlled-fed pigs exhibit significant differences in DMT depending on the type of seeds consumed. Nonetheless, our results have some limitations, notably because the feeding groups were given different concentrations of seeds so we cannot disentangle the respective impacts of seed structure and seed concentrations on DMT.

This work is of particular interest for reconstructing dietary habits of early hominins, for whom several studies have suggested overlapping diets that may have differed mainly regarding fallback foods consumed during periods of food scarcity (Ungar, 2004; Scott et al., 2005; Ungar and Sponheimer, 2011; Ungar et al., 2012; Ungar and Daegling, 2013). Works based on enamel stable carbon isotopes and dental microwear textures have challenged the hypothesis of durophagy and specialized diets within the *Paranthropus* genus as driving the selection of their robust craniomandibular and dental morphology (see references below),

conversely to their “gracile” contemporaneous early *Homo* considered as generalists (e.g., Wood and Strait, 2004). In addition to highlighting overlapping diets between some early hominins, these works show strongly different patterns between the eastern and the southern African species of *Paranthropus* (e.g., Sponheimer et al., 2006; Ungar et al., 2008; Ungar and Sponheimer, 2011; Martin et al., 2020). On the one hand, eastern African *P. boisei* exhibit stable carbon isotope compositions indicative of a dominant C₄ diet, most likely composed of grasses and/or sedges (Cerling et al., 2011, 2013; Wynn et al., 2020). Analyses of their dental microwear show low texture complexity, providing no evidence that they regularly consumed hard foods and would rather advocate for an abrasive diet composed of silica-bearing herbaceous monocots, *i.e.*, grasses, sedges (Ungar et al., 2008, 2012). Among alternative hypotheses, the ingestion of dust and grit with foods has been proposed as severely impacting the enamel surface and as driving the selection of robust morphologies (Madden, 2014). Southern African *P. robustus*, on the other hand, exhibit stable carbon isotopic compositions consistent with a mixed or dominant C₃ diet (Lee-Thorp et al., 1994; Sponheimer et al., 2006; Caley et al., 2018; Lüdecke et al., 2018; see also Balter et al., 2012). They show the highest average value of texture complexity compared to other early hominins, as well as a broad range of individual variation (Scott et al., 2005; Peterson et al., 2018). This distribution has been suggested to be more comparable to extant primates that occasionally rely on hard items as FBFs (Ungar and Sponheimer, 2011). Consequently, these studies suggest that robust craniomandibular and dental morphologies might have been favored by an occasional consumption of mechanically challenging FBFs critical for survival.

The present controlled-food experiments are not directly comparable with data from wild populations (either past or present-day species) as diets in the wild are much more diverse than controlled diets in experimental settings. Those experiments nevertheless highlight our understanding of the relations between dietary variations and dental microwear textures, and consequently improve our interpretations on the role of feeding habits upon niche partitioning among early hominins.

4.2. Improving dietary discriminations using a surface sampling strategy and combining phase I and phase II facets

The surface sampling strategy used in this study exploits different statistics for a whole set of standard texture parameters measured on 256 sub-surfaces per scanned surface and allows detection of the most discriminative parameters among several dietary groups (Francisco et al., 2018a, 2018b). Rather than considering variables independently, we performed Principal Component Analyses with the most discriminative variables selected from the sampling strategy (see Material and Methods and Figure S1). Our results show that this approach allows detection of significant differences in dental microwear textures among different groups of controlled-fed pigs with overall similar diets. In every analysis, we show that most discriminative variables are dispersion and distribution statistics of surface texture parameters, rather than central tendency statistics (mean or median). Dispersion statistics are the most contributing variables to PCs (Figures S1, S2, S3), which thus have the potential to discriminate groups with slight differences in diet. Several data analysis (not only in DMTA) have pointed out that quantiles, distribution or dispersion among samples may yield more significant differences than central tendencies (Plavcan and Cope, 2001; Ragni et al., 2017; Merceron et al., this volume; see also Lambrechtsen et al., 1999; Brewer and Pickle, 2002; Phillips et al., 2005; Cox et al., 2013; Krzywinski and Altman, 2014). We suggest that dispersion statistics of standard parameters, and not only central tendencies, are of particular interest for DMTA studies focusing on taxa with subtle dietary variations. It is also worth noting that some of the observed dietary discriminations are not mirrored by the global value of SSFA-parameters added as supplementary variables into PCAs. Notably, the distinction on upper molars of pigs fed with barley seeds is not reflected by any SSFA-parameter, and that is also the case for the distinction of hazelnut-fed pigs on upper deciduous premolars. These observations thus reinforce the relevance of using a wider set of texture parameters to target significant differences among animals with overall similar diets. In the same way that earlier studies using 2D dental microwear methods were able to discriminate a species from others

by the frequency of the occurrence of few large pits per surface (e.g., Solounias and Semprebon, 2002; Merceron et al., 2005), the sampling strategy chosen here may allow to discriminate the species not by the central tendency values of a given parameter, but by its distribution shape or its value at the quartile Q_n .

PCAs highlight that parameters measured on both crushing and shearing facets bear discriminant dietary signals. Considering only one type of facets on upper or lower molars allows discriminating one group of seed-eaters from another (or from the two others), but does not reveal significant differences (observed with both HSD and LSD) among all three groups of seed-eaters. In contrast, when combining the two types of facets, the differences among the three groups of seed-eaters are even stronger and are significant with both post-hoc tests. Consequently, combining data from crushing and shearing facets on molars leads to a better discrimination among all three groups of seed-eaters. When considering the upper deciduous premolars, the combination of two dental facet types does not lead to a better discrimination than when considering only crushing facets. Nevertheless, including shearing facets in the analysis does not mask the dietary signal on upper deciduous premolars. Thus, this study supports recent results showing that the combination of facet types may improve the resolution of dietary reconstructions (Arman et al., 2019; Merceron et al., this volume). While crushing facets are mostly considered in DMT analyses on early hominins because they are thought to be more discriminant than shearing ones among primates (Krueger et al., 2008), we argue that both types of facets should be considered for future studies (see Martin et al., 2019; Merceron et al., this volume).

4.3. DMT variations depending on the presence and type of seeds consumed

Because high texture complexity has been related to hard food consumption (Scott et al., 2006, 2012; Schubert et al., 2010; Daegling et al., 2011), we expected that the highest complexity values would correspond to the harder dietary item consumed (but see

Ramdarshan et al., 2016). Thus, pigs fed on hazelnuts in shell should exhibit more complex textures than corn and barley-fed pigs (Table 2), and even more in comparison to control pigs. However, earlier works have pointed out that surface complexity alone might not be a strong indicator for the hardness of seeds consumed, because their consumption does not necessarily generate the expected complex surfaces on enamel (Ramdarshan et al., 2016; van Casteren et al., 2020). Our results on lower molars, indeed, show that pigs fed on hazelnuts exhibit facets that appear to be about as complex as those of pigs fed only on flours, and pigs fed on barley (the less resistant seeds) show more complex shearing facets than the other dietary groups. However, on upper molars, barley-fed pigs do not show the most complex facets. Thus, the complexity of enamel surfaces does not seem associated with seed hardness in this study. Besides the hardness of the seeds consumed, other factors should also be considered to better understand the relationships between seed consumption and texture complexity (e.g., seed size, particle size after mastication, number of seeds in one bolus, seed digestibility; see Lucas, 2004). For example, it has been suggested that food resources of smaller particle size might require higher bite force for oral processing than larger ones (Lucas, 2004), as well as bolus containing high amount of small resources (van Casteren et al., 2020). In the present study, we did not control for these factors, and we used seeds of different hardness and size, and representing different proportions of the diet depending on the feeding groups. Thus, we cannot identify which factor predominantly influences the differences among the groups. Nevertheless, we show overall that DMT are impacted by seed consumption and that they differ between the three groups of seed-eating pigs.

PCAs and ANOVAs on PC coordinates show significant differences in DMT of the three groups of pigs fed on seeds. The dietary discrimination is, however, weaker on both upper and lower molars than on upper deciduous premolars. Wear facets on upper and lower molars were barely developed and not all crushing and shearing facets were developed, although every individual showed distinct facets at their early stages of formation, notably on mesial cusps. Molars of pigs are erupted between 4 to 6 months old (Legge, 2013) and were thus

probably in full occlusion only a few weeks before death, particularly among pigs fed with hazelnuts (slaughtered at 195 days old). This could explain that, contrary to what is found on deciduous premolars, there is no difference in dental microwear complexity between crushing and shearing facets on molars. This would have been expected because of their different implications in mastication with more occlusal pitting on phase II homologous facets involved into grinding and crushing of foods, conversely to phase I facets involved in slicing food items with lateral movements. This difference between facets is observed on upper deciduous premolars because, being erupted at about 25 days old (Tucker and Widowski, 2009), they were fully functional at the time pigs received their dedicated diet. To sum up, our results show a stronger dietary discrimination among the three groups of seed-eaters on the worn upper deciduous premolars than on the barely worn molars.

While the present study shows significant differences in DMT between pigs fed on different seeds, we observe that control pigs fed only on flours are highly overlapping with one or two groups of seed-eaters. This is actually not surprising because, in addition to the high proportion of diet these groups have in common, the flours contained an important number of particles above 1.25 mm in diameter (24 % for the wheat flour, 61 % for the soy flour; Table 2). Indeed, feeding pigs with finely ground flours is not possible because it would lead to gastric damages, such as ulcers, that would affect animal well-being. These flours, rich in millimetric seed fragments, explain why the texture complexity is overall high, even in the control group. Moreover, Winkler et al. (2020) recently showed that angular quartz particles lead to complex surfaces. Although it is not clear if this also applies on softer seed particles, such as corn fragments, it is likely that numerous particles in the flours are angular. This might contribute to the overall complexity among pigs in this study.

Altogether, our results are in line with a recent in vivo experiment on captive capuchin monkeys (*Sapajus apella*; Teaford et al., 2020), which demonstrates that hard food consumption impacts tooth wear by generating new features on wear facet in a very short period of time (3-4 hours). We here provide novel information that complements their study as

we considered texture parameters. We show overall that dispersion statistics of height parameters are, in majority, the variables that most contribute to PCs. This is congruent with Schulz-Kornas et al.'s (2019) study on Western chimpanzees who showed that some height parameters (on crushing and shearing facets) differ depending on nut consumption. Our results thus support the hypothesis that the consumption of different seeds generates differences on DMT highlighted by parameters related to surface height profiles.

5. Conclusions

The present study aimed at testing the hypothesis that the consumption of various types of seeds has an impact on dental microwear textures despite overall similar diets. Controlled feeding trials were conducted on four dietary groups of domestic pigs which exhibit thick-enameled, bunodont cheek teeth. Such an experimental baseline might help the interpretation of DMT patterns among extinct bunodont species of suids or primates with overlapping dietary signals. This could greatly contribute to discussions regarding the consumption of mechanically challenging resources that could be fallback foods for early hominins.

We used a subsampling surface strategy that measures different statistics for a whole set of texture parameters. We performed Principal Component Analyses on shearing (phase I) and crushing (phase II) facets independently, as well as by combining the two types of facets. Our results show that controlled-fed pigs exhibit significant differences in their DMT patterns depending on the type of seeds consumed. This study shows that both phase I and II facets bear discriminant dietary signals and that considering both types of facets in the analyses improves dietary discriminations. These discriminations are not mirrored by standard Scale Sensitive Fractal Analysis (SSFA) parameters in every case when added as supplementary variables, substantiating the efficiency of the subsampling surface strategy to detect significant differences among groups with a high proportion of diet in common. The variables selected from the subsampling strategy that most contribute to dietary discriminations represent in

majority dispersion statistics of height parameters. Thus, these results show that dispersion statistics have the potential to distinguish DMT among groups with overall similar diets, and support the hypothesis that the consumption of seeds has an impact on texture parameters related to surface relief.

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1109 **Table S1.** Detailed description of the controlled-feeding experiments per individual. 1: female, 2:
1110 uncastrated male, 3: castrated male.

Dietary group	Specimen number	Birth date	Sex	Start of trial (date)	Age at dietary switch (days)	Age at slaughter (days)	Total feeding duration (days)	Feeding duration after dietary switch (days)
Hazelnut	870601	13/12/2018	2	08/04/2019	163	194	78	30
	870603	13/12/2018	2	08/04/2019	163	194	78	30
	870609	13/12/2018	2	08/04/2019	163	194	78	30
	870610	13/12/2018	1	08/04/2019	163	194	78	30
	870645	12/12/2018	1	08/04/2019	164	195	78	30
	870649	12/12/2018	1	08/04/2019	164	195	78	30
Barley	812073	17/06/2018	1	28/07/2018	120	215	174	95
	811925	13/06/2018	3	28/07/2018	124	293	248	169
	812003	15/06/2018	1	28/07/2018	122	291	248	169
	812078	17/06/2018	3	28/07/2018	120	289	248	169
	812031	14/06/2018	3	28/07/2018	123	218	174	95
Corn	812046	14/06/2018	3	28/07/2018	123	218	174	95
	812049	14/06/2018	3	28/07/2018	123	218	174	95
	812068	17/06/2018	1	28/07/2018	120	215	174	95
	811916	13/06/2018	1	28/07/2018	124	293	248	169
	811958	14/06/2018	3	28/07/2018	123	292	248	169
	812020	14/06/2018	1	28/07/2018	123	292	248	169
Base	811924	13/06/2018	3	28/07/2018		219	174	
	812004	15/06/2018	3	28/07/2018		217	174	
	812074	17/06/2018	3	28/07/2018		215	174	
	811949	14/06/2018	1	28/07/2018		292	248	
	812026	14/06/2018	1	28/07/2018		292	248	
	812036	14/06/2018	1	28/07/2018		292	248	
	870614	13/12/2018	2	08/04/2019		194	78	
	870619	13/12/2018	2	08/04/2019		194	78	
	870641	12/12/2018	2	08/04/2019		195	78	
	870623	13/12/2018	1	08/04/2019		229	113	
	870638	12/12/2018	1	08/04/2019		230	113	
	870640	12/12/2018	1	08/04/2019		230	113	

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1114 **Table S2.** Discriminative parameters considered in this study for surface analysis using the routine
 1115 described in Francisco et al. (2018a, 2018b) (see supplementary materials for detailed descriptions of
 1116 the parameters).

Parameter	Description	Type
Sa	Arithmetic mean height ¹	Height
Sp	Maximum peak height ¹	
Sq	Root-mean-square-height ¹	
Sv	Maximum pit height ¹	
Ssk	Skewness ¹	
Sku	Kurtosis ¹	
Sdar	Relative area (developed area/projected area, Sdar = Sdr - 1)	
Sm	Mean height	
Smd	Median height	
Rmax	Semi-major axis of the f_{ACF} ellipsis ²	Spatial
Sal	Autocorrelation length, semi-minor axis of the f_{ACF} ellipsis ^{1, 2}	
Stri	Rmax/Sal ratio ^{1, 2}	
b.sl	Highest slope of f_{ACF} at the distance r_s from the origin	
r.sl	b.sl/s.sl ratio	
s.sl	Smallest slope of f_{ACF} at the distance r_s from the origin	
Sh	Percentage of quasi-horizontal faces	Topological

1117 ¹ISO 25178 parameters in their more or less modified form. ²Because some surfaces exhibit long
 1118 wavelengths, the default value $s = 0.2$ is a bit low and the parameter is redefined as the average for $s =$
 1119 $0.3, 0.4, \text{ and } 0.5$.

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1121 **Table S3.** Statistics considered in this study for surface analysis using the routine described in Francisco
 1122 et al. (2018a, 2018b).

Statistic	Description	Statistic category
G	One value per surface	Global
Mean	Mean of n values	Central
Median	Median of n values	Central
Skw	Skewness of n values	Distribution
Kurt	Kurtosis of n values	Distribution
min.25	Mean of the 25 % lowest values among n values	Dispersion
max.25	Mean of the 25 % highest values among n values	Dispersion
fst.25	Value at the first quartile of the distribution of n values	Dispersion
lst.25	Value at the third quartile of the distribution of n values	Dispersion

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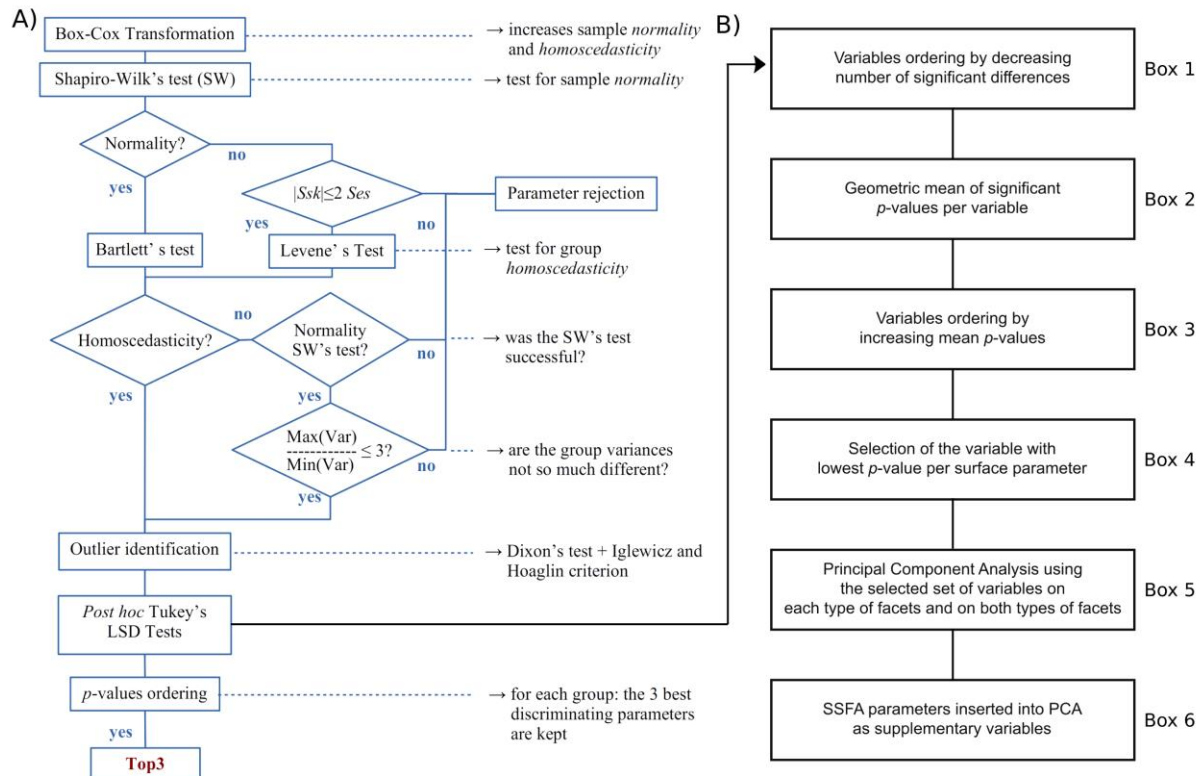


Figure S1. Steps of the procedure developed by Francisco et al. (2018a, 2018b) and implementation (B) made by Merceron et al. (this volume) and in this study. Modified from Francisco et al. (2018b) and Merceron et al. (this volume).

Table S4. Variables per parameter recognized as discriminative among the four lots on lower first molar facets (crushing and shearing) using the routine shown in Francisco et al. (2018a, 2018b).

Phase II (crushing) lower molar facets			Phase I (shearing) lower molar facets		
fst.25_Sh	max.25_Sh	SdaG	fst.25_Sh	max.25_Sku	min.25_Smd
fst.25_Sdar	max.25_Sv	skw_r.sl	fst.25_r.sl	max.25_Sm	min.25_Sp
fst.25_Sku	mea_Sh	skw_Sal	fst.25_Rmax	max.25_Sp	min.25_Sq
ShG	med_Sh	skw_Sp	fst.25_Sa	max.25_Sq	min.25_Stri
kurt_r.sl	med_Sdar	SpG	fst.25_Sal	max.25_Stri	min.25_Sv
kurt_Sp	med_Sv	std_Sh	fst.25_Sdar	max.25_Sv	RmaG
lst.25_Sh	min.25_Sdar	std_r.sl	fst.25_Sm	mea_Sh	SaG
lst.25_Smd	min.25_Sku	std_Sp	fst.25_Smd	mea_r.sl	SalG
lst.25_Sv			fst.25_Sp	mea_Rmax	SdaG
			fst.25_Sq	mea_Sa	SkuG
			fst.25_Stri	mea_Sdar	skw_Sh
			fst.25_Sv	mea_Sp	skw_Rmax
			ShG	mea_Sq	skw_Sa
			kurt_Sh	mea_Stri	skw_Sdar
			kurt_r.sl	mea_Sv	skw_Smd
			kurt_Rmax	med_Sh	skw_Sq
			kurt_Sa	med_r.sl	skw_Ssk
			kurt_Sdar	med_Rmax	skw_Stri
			kurt_Sq	med_Sa	SqG
			kurt_Stri	med_Sal	std_Sh
			lst.25_Sh	med_Sdar	std_Rmax
			lst.25_r.sl	med_Sp	std_Sa
			lst.25_Sa	med_Sq	std_Sal
			lst.25_Sdar	med_Stri	std_Sdar
			lst.25_Sm	med_Sv	std_Sku
			lst.25_Sp	min.25_Sh	std_Sm
			lst.25_Sq	min.25_r.sl	std_Smd
			lst.25_Stri	min.25_Rmax	std_Sp
			lst.25_Sv	min.25_Sa	std_Sq
			max.25_Sh	min.25_Sal	std_Ssk
			max.25_Rmax	min.25_Sdar	std_Stri
			max.25_Sa	min.25_Sm	
			max.25_Sdar		

1135 **Table S5.** The most discriminative variables per parameters selected from the whole set of variables
 1136 showing at least one significant difference among the four lots on lower first molar facets (crushing and
 1137 shearing).

Facet	Variable	Parameter	Type	Statistic	Statistic category
Crushing	SpG	Sp	Height	global	Global
	med_Sh	Sh	Topological	median	Central
	min.25_Sku	Sku	Height	min.25	Dispersion
	min.25_Sdar	Sdar	Height	min.25	Dispersion
	lst.25_Sv	Sv	Height	lst.25	Dispersion
	std_r.sl	r.sl	Spatial	std	Dispersion
	skw_Sal	Sal	Spatial	skewness	Distribution
	lst.25_Smd	Smd	Height	lst.25	Dispersion
Shearing	max.25_Sa	Sa	Height	max.25	Dispersion
	max.25_Sq	Sq	Height	max.25	Dispersion
	fst.25_Sdar	Sdar	Height	fst.25	Dispersion
	max.25_Sp	Sp	Height	max.25	Dispersion
	lst.25_Sh	Sh	Topological	lst.25	Dispersion
	fst.25_Sv	Sv	Height	fst.25	Dispersion
	max.25_Sm	Sm	Height	max.25	Dispersion
	min.25_r.sl	r.sl	Spatial	min.25	Dispersion
	std_Rmax	Rmax	Spatial	standard deviation	Dispersion
	std_Sal	Sal	Spatial	standard deviation	Dispersion
	min.25_Smd	Smd	Height	min.25	Dispersion
	std_Stri	Stri	Spatial	standard deviation	Dispersion
	SkuG	Sku	Height	global	Dispersion
	skw_Ssk	Ssk	Height	skewness	Distribution

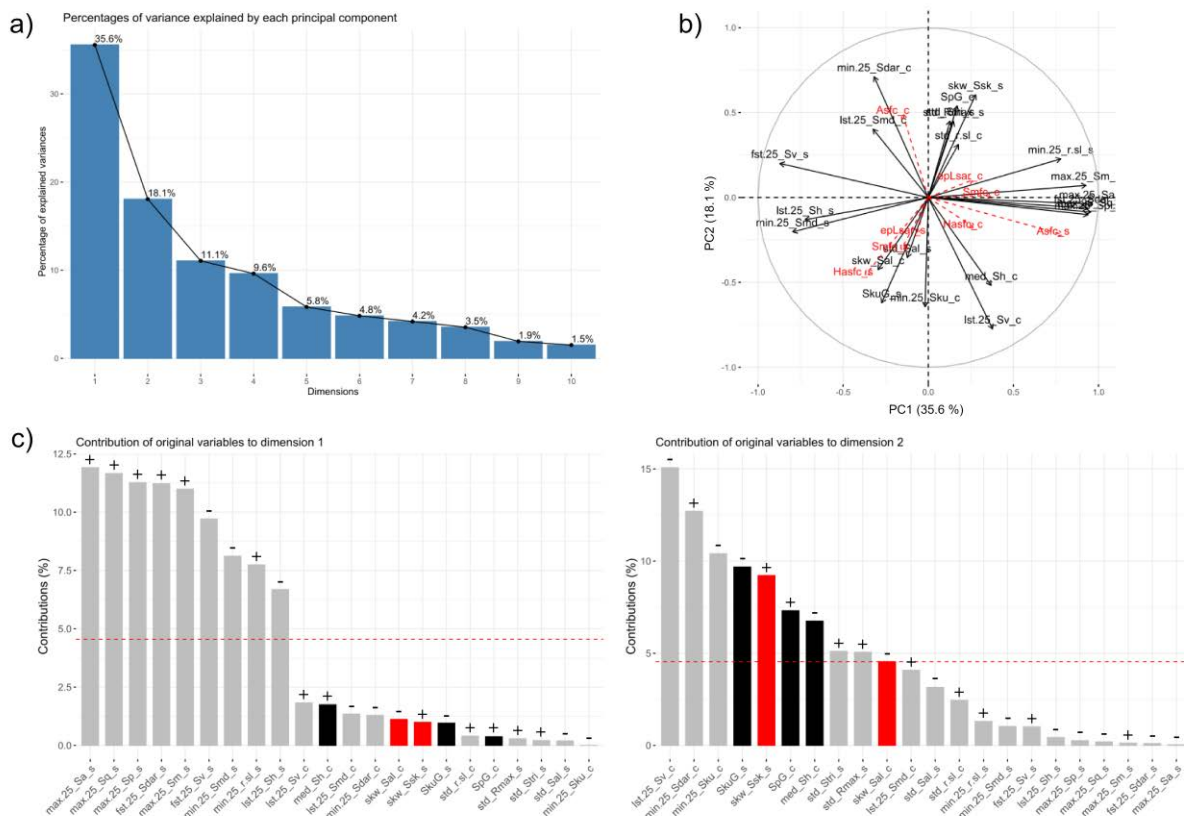


Figure S2. Principal Component Analysis based on the 23 most discriminative variables issued from both crushing (phase II) and shearing (phase I) facets on lower first molars. a) Percentage of variance explained by each principal component. b) Correlation circle between PC1 and PC2 with SSFA-parameters as supplementary variables (dotted red arrows). c) Contribution of each variable to PC1 (left) and PC2 (right) in percentage and direction (positive: +, negative: -). Suffixes “_c” and “_s” refer to crushing and shearing facets, respectively. Black columns: central/global statistic, gray: dispersion statistics, red: distribution statistics. Dotted red line: expected average value if the contributions were uniform; any variable below this line could be considered negligible in contributing to the dimension.

Table S6. Analysis of variances on PC coordinates from PCA on crushing and shearing facets of lower first molars and combined HSD (above diagonal) and LSD (below diagonal) post hoc tests. Only p-values below a 10 % level of significance are given for post hoc tests.

		Df	SS	MS	F	p
PC1	Effect	3	24.09	8.031	6.95	0.0015
	Residuals	25	28.89	1.156		
PC2	Effect	3	49.23	16.410	3.547	0.0288
	Residuals	25	115.67	4.627		
PC3	Effect	3	0.401	0.1338	0.392	0.76
	Residuals	25	8.535	0.3414		
PC4	Effect	3	8.66	2.886	1.896	0.156
	Residuals	25	38.05	1.522		
PC5	Effect	3	0.768	0.2559	0.223	0.879
	Residuals	25	28.643	1.1457		

LSD		HSD			
		Hazelnut	Barley	Control	Corn
PC1	Hazelnut		0.0015		
	Barley	0.0003		0.0035	
	Control		0.0007		
	Corn	0.0638	0.0262		
PC2	Hazelnut				0.0691
	Barley				
	Control				0.0275
	Corn	0.0155	0.0245	0.0057	

Table S7. Analysis of variances on PC coordinates from PCA on crushing facets of lower first molars and combined HSD (above diagonal) and LSD (below diagonal) post hoc tests. Only p-values below a 10 % level of significance are given for post hoc tests.

		Df	SS	MS	F	p
PC1	Effect	3	152.9	50.95	3.014	0.0489
	Residuals	25	422.7	16.91		
PC2	Effect	3	53.37	17.79	3.277	0.0376
	Residuals	25	135.74	5.43		

LSD		HSD			
		Hazelnut	Barley	Control	Corn
PC1	Hazelnut				
	Barley				0.0489
	Control		0.0805		
	Corn	0.0370	0.0106		
PC2	Hazelnut		0.0370		
	Barley	0.0079			
	Control		0.0361		
	Corn	0.0519			

Table S8. Analysis of variances on PC coordinates from PCA on shearing facets of lower first molars and combined HSD (above diagonal) and LSD (below diagonal) post hoc tests. A Kruskal-Wallis is run on PC2 followed with a Dunn's test. Only p-values below a 10 % level of significance are given for post hoc tests.

ANOVA		Df	SS	MS	F	p
PC1	Effect	3	43.11	14.37	6.303	0.0025
	Residuals	25	56.99	2.28		

Kruskal-Wallis		Df	χ^2	p
PC2		3	10.898	0.0123

LSD		HSD			
		Hazelnut	Barley	Control	Corn
PC1	Hazelnut		0.0031		
	Barley	0.0006		0.0049	
	Control		0.0009		
	Corn	0.0696	0.0435		

Dunn		Hazelnut	Barley	Control	Corn
PC2	Hazelnut				
	Barley				
	Control	0.0135			
	Corn		0.0190	0.0020	

Table S9 Variables per parameter recognized as discriminative among the four lots on upper first molar facets (crushing and shearing) using the routine shown in Francisco et al. (2018a, 2018b).

Phase II (crushing) upper molar facets			Phase I (shearing) upper molar facets		
fst.25_Sh	max.25_Sq	min.25_Stri	fst.25_Rmax	max.25_Sku	min.25_Sku
fst.25_Sdar	mea_Sh	min.25_Sv	fst.25_Sa	max.25_Sv	min.25_Smd
fst.25_Stri	mea_r.sl	RmaG	fst.25_Sal	mea_Sa	min.25_Sp
fst.25_Sv	mea_Sa	SaG	fst.25_Sku	mea_Sal	min.25_Sq
ShG	mea_Sdar	SdaG	fst.25_Smd	mea_Sku	min.25_Ssk
kurt_s.sl	mea_Sp	skw_b.sl	fst.25_Sp	mea_Ssk	SaG
lst.25_Sh	mea_Sq	skw_s.sl	fst.25_Sq	med_r.sl	SalG
lst.25_Rmax	mea_Sv	skw_Sa	fst.25_Ssk	med_Rmax	SkuG
lst.25_Sa	med_Sh	skw_Sal	kurt_s.sl	med_Sa	skw_s.sl
lst.25_Sdar	med_Rmax	skw_Sm	kurt_Sa	med_Sal	skw_Sa
lst.25_Sp	med_Sa	SpG	kurt_Sq	med_Sku	skw_Sq
lst.25_Sq	med_Sdar	SqG	lst.25_Rmax	med_Sp	SskG
lst.25_Stri	med_Sp	std_r.sl	lst.25_Sa	med_Sq	std_Sh
lst.25_Sv	med_Sq	std_Sdar	lst.25_Sku	med_Ssk	std_Sal
max.25_r.sl	med_Stri	std_Sp	lst.25_Sq	min.25_Sa	std_Sku
max.25_S	med_Sv	std_Sv	max.25_Sal	min.25_Sal	std_Ssk
max.25_Sdar	min.25_Sh	StrG			
max.25_Sp	min.25_Sdar				

1172 **Table S10.** The most discriminative variables per parameter are selected from the whole set of variables
1173 showing at least one significant difference among the four lots on upper first molar facets (crushing and
1174 shearing).

Facet	Variable	Parameter	Type	Statistic	Statistic category
Crushing	med_Stri	Stri	Spatial	median	central
	skw_Sal	Sal	Spatial	skewness	distribution
	skw_b.sl	b.sl	Spatial	skewness	distribution
	skw_s.sl	s.sl	Spatial	skewness	distribution
	med_Sh	Sh	Topological	median	central
	med_Sdar	Sdar	Height	median	central
	RmaG	Rmax	Spatial	global	global
	std_r.sl	r.sl	Spatial	standard deviation	dispersion
	SpG	Sp	Height	global	global
	med_Sv	Sv	Height	median	central
	lst.25_Sq	Sq	Height	lst.25	dispersion
	lst.25_Sa	Sa	Height	lst.25	dispersion
	skw_Sm	Sm	Height	skewness	distribution
Shearing	min.25_Sp	Sp	Height	min.25	dispersion
	min.25_Sq	Sq	Height	min.25	dispersion
	med_Sku	Sku	Height	median	central
	min.25_Sa	Sa	Height	min.25	dispersion
	max.25_Sv	Sv	Height	max.25	dispersion
	fst.25_Rmax	Rmax	Spatial	fst.25	dispersion
	med_Ssk	Ssk	Height	median	central
	SalG	Sal	Spatial	global	global
	skw_s.sl	s.sl	Spatial	skewness	distribution
	med_r.sl	r.sl	Spatial	median	central
	fst.25_Smd	Smd	Height	fst.25	dispersion
	std_Sh	Sh	Topological	standard deviation	dispersion

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LSD		HSD			
		Hazelnut	Barley	Control	Corn
PC1	Hazelnut				0.0022
	Barley				0.0133
	Control				0.0246
	Corn	0.0004	0.0027	0.0051	
PC2	Hazelnut		0.0215		
	Barley	0.0044			
	Control		0.0389		
	Corn		0.0982		

Table S12. Analysis of variances on PC coordinates from PCA on crushing facets of upper first molars and combined HSD (above diagonal) and LSD (below diagonal) post hoc tests. Only p-values below a 10 % level of significance are given for post hoc tests.

		Df	SS	MS	F	p
PC1	Effect	3	4.829	1.6096	4.15	0.0162
	Residuals	25	9.696	0.3878		
PC2	Effect	3	0.9605	0.3202	4.13	0.0165
	Residuals	25	1.9379	0.0775		

LSD		HSD			
		Hazelnut	Barley	Control	Corn
PC1	Hazelnut		0.0160		0.0570
	Barley	0.0032			
	Control	0.0639	0.0714		
	Corn	0.0126			
PC2	Hazelnut				0.0771
	Barley				0.0171
	Control		0.0377		
	Corn	0.0175	0.0035		

Table S13. Analysis of variances on PC coordinates from PCA on shearing facets of upper first molars and combined HSD (above diagonal) and LSD (below diagonal) post hoc tests. Only p-values below a 10 % level of significance are given for post hoc tests.

		Df	SS	MS	F	p
PC1	Effect	3	219.2	73.05	4.851	0.0102
	Residuals	21	316.2	15.06		
PC2	Effect	3	6.248	2.083	1.39	0.274
	Residuals	21	31.478	1.499		

LSD		HSD			
		Hazelnut	Barley	Control	Corn
PC1	Hazelnut				0.0129
	Barley				0.0231
	Control				0.0500
	Corn	0.0026	0.0048	0.0110	

Table S14. Variables per parameter recognized as discriminative among the four lots on upper fourth deciduous premolar facets (crushing and shearing) using the routine shown in Francisco et al. (2018a, 2018b).

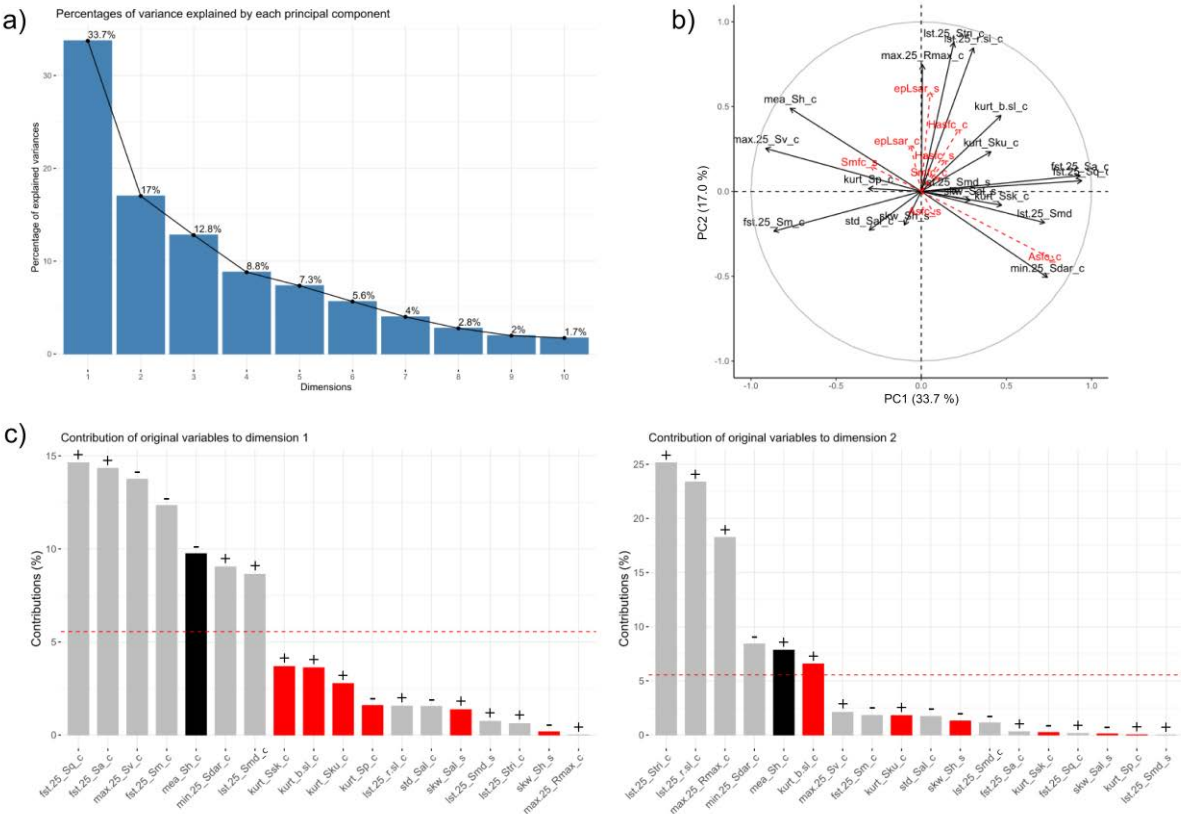
Phase II (crushing) upper premolar facets			Phase I (shearing) upper premolar facets		
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fst.25_r.sl	max.25_Sa	min.25_Smd			
fst.25_Sa	max.25_Sdar	min.25_Sp			
fst.25_Sdar	max.25_Sm	min.25_Sq			
fst.25_Sm	max.25_Smd	min.25_Sv			
fst.25_Sp	max.25_Sp	r.sG			
fst.25_Sq	max.25_Sq	SaG			
fst.25_Sv	max.25_Stri	SdaG			
ShG	max.25_Sv	skw_b.sl			
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kurt_Rmax	mea_r.sl	skw_Sdar			
kurt_Sa	mea_Rmax	skw_Sku			
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lst.25_r.sl	med_r.sl	std_Sa			
lst.25_Rmax	med_Sa	std_Sal			
lst.25_Sa	med_Sdar	std_Sdar			
lst.25_Sdar	med_Sp	std_Sm			
lst.25_Sm	med_Sq	std_Smd			
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Table S15. The most discriminative variables per parameter are selected from the whole set of variables showing at least one significant difference among the four lots on fourth upper deciduous premolar facets (crushing and shearing).

Facet	Variable	Parameter	Type	Statistic	Statistic category
Crushing	min.25_Sdar	Sdar	Height	min.25	dispersion
	mea_Sh	Sh	Topological	mean	central
	kurt_Sp	Sp	Height	kurtosis	distribution
	max.25_Sv	Sv	Height	max.25	dispersion
	lst.25_r.sl	r.sl	Spatial	lst.25	dispersion
	fst.25_Sq	Sq	Height	fst.25	dispersion
	fst.25_Sa	Sa	Height	fst.25	dispersion
	std_Sal	Sal	Spatial	standard deviation	dispersion
	lst.25_Stri	Stri	Spatial	lst.25	dispersion
	fst.25_Sm	Sm	Height	fst.25	dispersion
	kurt_Sku	Sku	Height	kurtosis	distribution
	lst.25_Smd	Smd	Height	lst.25	dispersion
	max.25_Rmax	Rmax	Spatial	max.25	dispersion
	kurt_b.sl	b.sl	Spatial	kurtosis	distribution
	kurt_Ssk	Ssk	Height	kurtosis	distribution
Shearing	skw_Sal	Sal	Spatial	skewness	distribution
	lst.25_Smd	Smd	Height	lst.25	dispersion
	skw_Sh	Sh	Topological	skewness	distribution

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Figure S4. Principal Component Analysis based on the 19 most discriminative variables issued from both crushing (phase II) and shearing (phase I) facets on upper fourth deciduous premolars. a) Percentage of variance explained by each principal component. b) Correlation circle between PC1 and PC2 with SSFA-parameters as supplementary variables (red dotted arrows). c) Contribution of each variable to PC1 (left) and PC2 (right) in percentage and direction (positive: +, negative: -). Suffixes “_c” and “_s” refer to crushing and shearing facets, respectively. Black columns: central/global statistic, gray: dispersion statistics, red: distribution statistics. Dotted red line: expected average value if the contributions were uniform; any variable below this line could be considered negligible in contributing to the dimension.

Table S16. Analysis of variances on PC coordinates from PCA on upper fourth deciduous premolars and combined HSD (above diagonal) and LSD (below diagonal) post hoc tests. A Kruskal-Wallis is run on PC3 followed with a Dunn’s test. Only p-values below a 10 % level of significance are given for post hoc tests.

ANOVA		Df	SS	MS	F	p
PC1	Effect	3	16.92	5.640	8.247	0.0006
	Residuals	24	16.41	0.684		
PC4	Effect	3	1.662	0.5539	0.498	0.687
	Residuals	24	26.708	1.1128		
PC5	Effect	3	2.862	0.9542	1.142	0.352
	Residuals	24	20.052	0.8355		

Kruskal-Wallis		Df	χ^2	p
PC2		3	9.8919	0.0195
PC3		3	13.903	0.0030

HSD		Hazelnut	Barley	Control	Corn
LSD	PC1	Hazelnut			
		Barley	0.0267	0.0012	0.0010
		Control	0.0840	0.0002	
		Corn	0.0432	0.0002	

Dunn		Hazelnut	Barley	Control	Corn
PC2	Hazelnut				
	Barley	0.0018			
	Control	0.0055			
	Corn	0.0209			
PC3	Hazelnut				
	Barley	0.0017			
	Control		0.0130		
	Corn	0.0014		0.0119	

Table S17. Analysis of variances on PC coordinates from PCA on crushing facets of upper fourth deciduous premolars and combined HSD (above diagonal) and LSD (below diagonal) post hoc tests. Only p-values below a 10 % level of significance are given for post hoc tests.

		Df	SS	MS	F	p
PC1	Effect	3	21.25	7.082	7.539	0.0010

	Residuals	24	22.55	0.939		
PC2	Effect	3	3.836	1.2785	3.999	0.0192
	Residuals	24	7.673	0.3197		
PC3	Effect	3	4.48	1.4935	2.641	0.0724
	Residuals	24	13.57	0.5654		

LSD		HSD		Hazelnut	Barley	Control	Corn
PC1	Hazelnut						
	Barley			0.0476		0.0023	0.0017
	Control			0.0785	0.0004		
	Corn			0.0358	0.0003		
PC2	Hazelnut				0.0302	0.0691	0.0373
	Barley			0.0064			
	Control			0.0156			
	Corn			0.0080			
PC3	Hazelnut						
	Barley						
	Control						0.0875
	Corn			0.0592		0.0202	

Table S18. Analysis of variances on PC coordinates from PCA on shearing facets of upper fourth deciduous premolars and combined HSD (above diagonal) and LSD (below diagonal) post hoc tests. Only p-values below a 10 % level of significance are given for post hoc tests.

		Df	SS	MS	F	p
PC1	Effect	3	5.242	1.7473	2.481	0.0843
	Residuals	25	17.607	0.7043		
PC3	Effect	3	1.437	0.4789	2.202	0.1130
	Residuals	25	5.438	0.2175		

LSD		HSD		Hazelnut	Barley	Control	Corn
PC1	Hazelnut						0.0847
	Barley						
	Control						
	Corn			0.0194		0.0346	
PC3	Hazelnut						
	Barley			0.0798		0.0852	
	Control				0.0195		
	Corn				0.0563		

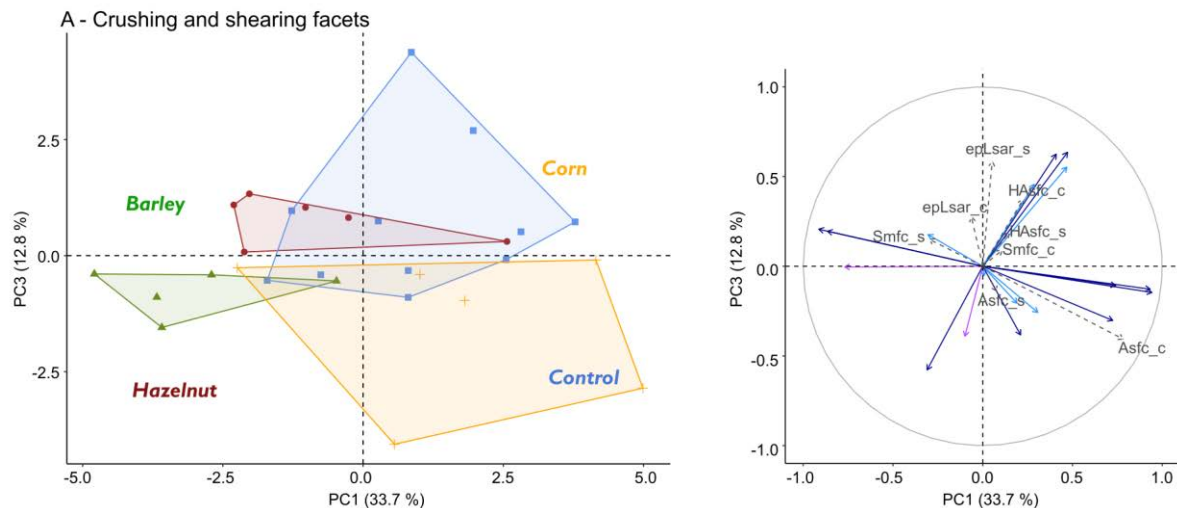


Figure S5. Distribution of individuals (left) and correlation circle (right) along PC1 and PC3 of the four dietary groups on both crushing and shearing facets of upper deciduous premolars. Dietary groups: ●: 100 % base flours +10 hazelnuts in shell a day, ▲: 70 % base flours + 30 % barley seeds, +: 60 % base flours + 20 % corn flour + 20 % corn kernels, ■: 100 % base flours. Active variables (filled arrows): height (dark blue), spatial (light blue), and topological (purple) parameters. SSFA parameters added as supplementary variables (gray dotted arrows). Suffixes “_c”: crushing facets, “_s”: shearing facets.

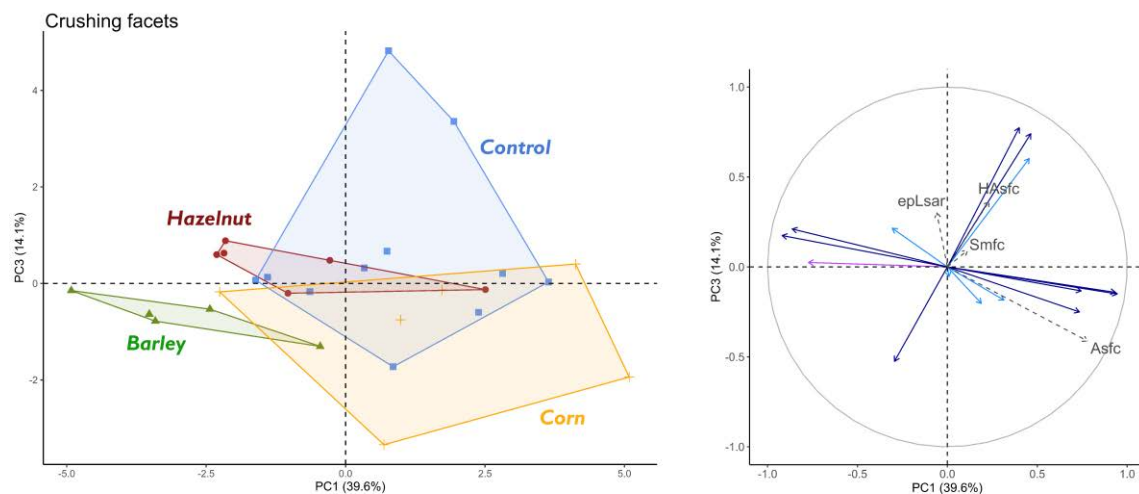
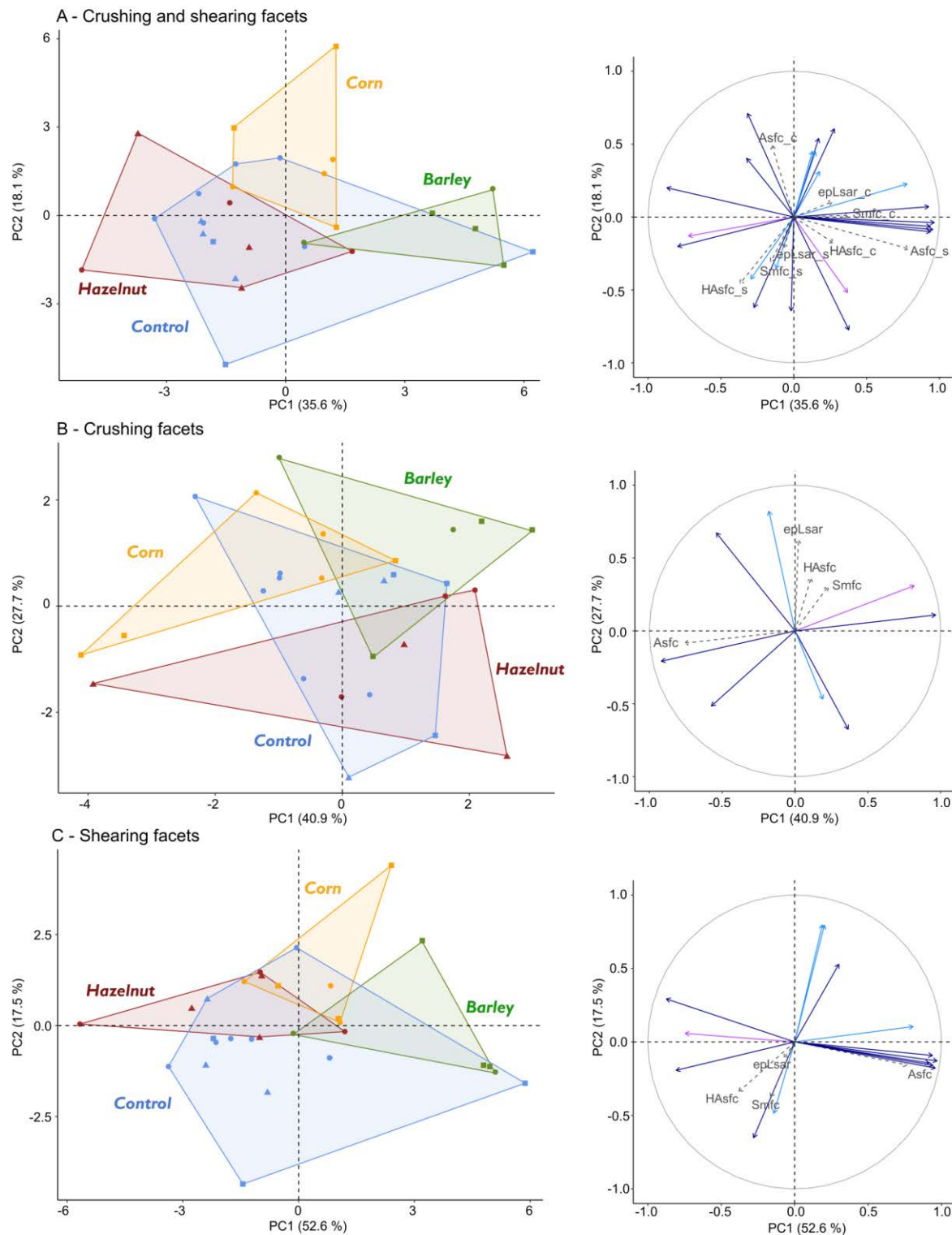
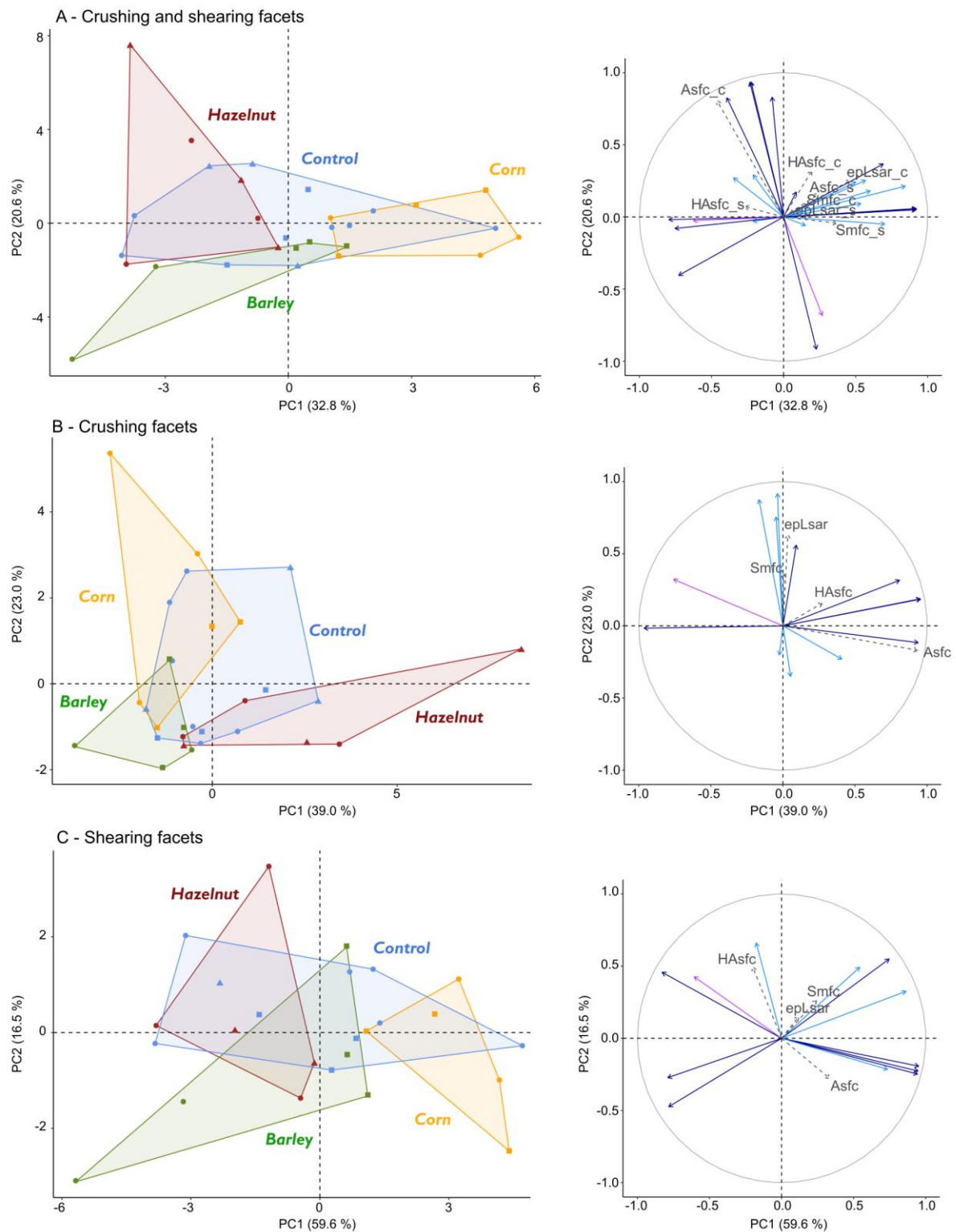


Figure S6. Distribution of individuals (left) and correlation circle (right) along PC1 and PC3 of the four dietary groups on crushing facets of upper deciduous premolars. Dietary groups: ●: 100 % base flours +10 hazelnuts in shell a day, ▲: 70 % base flours + 30 % barley seeds, +: 60 % base flours + 20 % corn flour + 20 % corn kernels, ■: 100 % base flours. Active variables (filled arrows): height (dark blue), spatial (light blue) and topological (purple) parameters. SSFA parameters added as supplementary variables (gray dotted arrows).



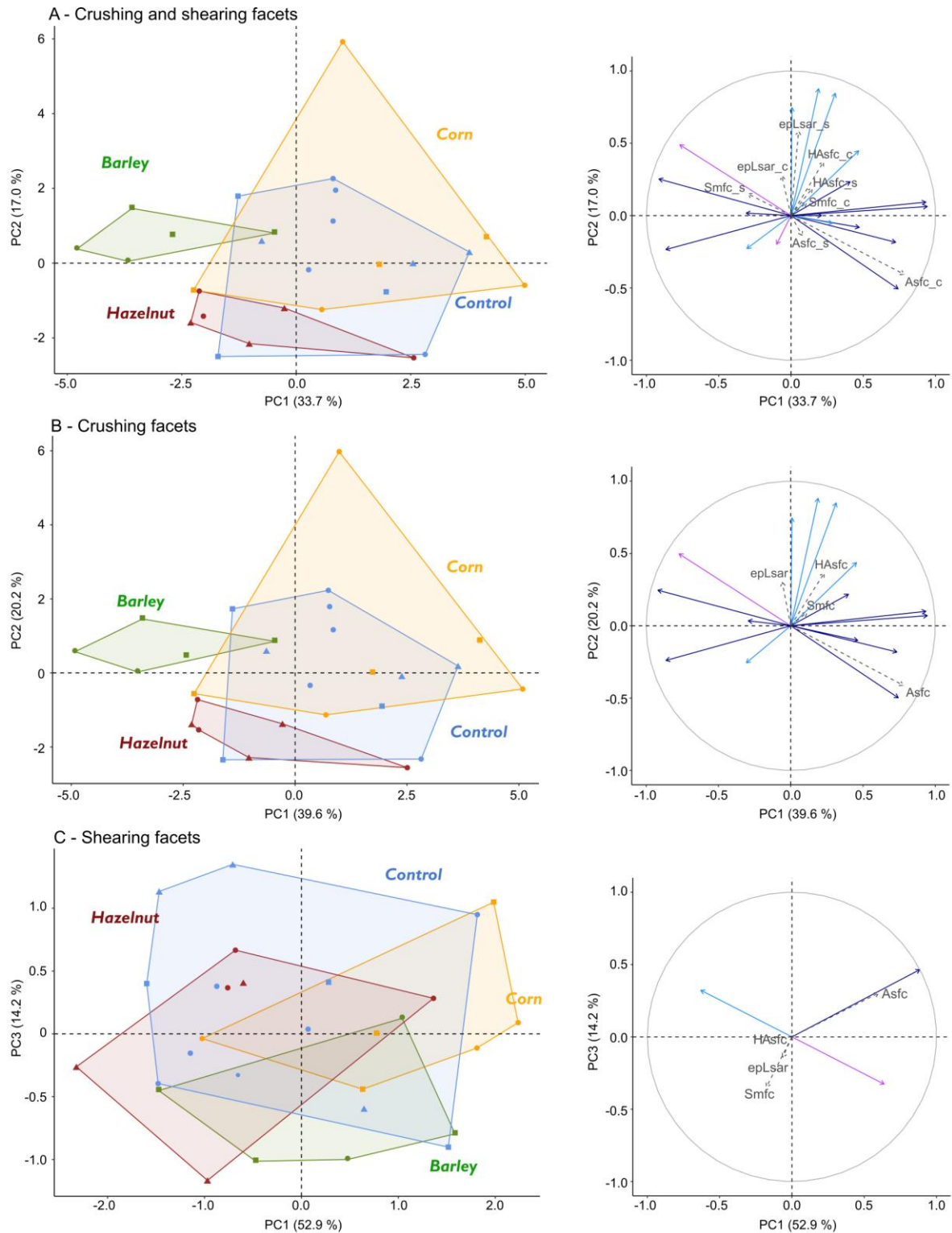
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1263 Figure **S7**. Distributions of individuals (left) and correlation circle (right) along PC1 and PC2 of the four
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 1265 and on shearing facets alone (C). Dietary groups: 100 % base flours + 10 hazelnuts in shell a day (red),
 1266 70 % base flours + 30 % barley seeds (green), 60 % base flours + 20 % corn flour + 20 % corn kernels
 1267 (yellow), 100 % base flours (blue). Sexes: ●: females, ▲: uncastrated males, ■: castrated males. Active
 1268 variables (filled arrows): height (dark blue), spatial (light blue), and topological (purple) parameters.
 1269 SSFA-parameters added as supplementary variables (gray dotted arrows). Suffixes “_c”: crushing
 1270 facets, “_s”: shearing facets.



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1272 Figure **S8**. Distributions of individuals (left) and correlation circle (right) along PC1 and PC2 of the four
 1273 dietary groups on both crushing and shearing upper first molar facets (A), on crushing facets alone (B),
 1274 and on shearing facets alone (C). Dietary groups: 100 % base flours + 10 hazelnuts in shell a day (red),
 1275 70 % base flours + 30 % barley seeds (green), 60 % base flours + 20 % corn flour + 20 % corn kernels
 1276 (yellow), 100 % base flours (blue). Sexes: ●: females, ▲: uncastrated males, ■: castrated males. Active
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 1278 SSFA-parameters added as supplementary variables (gray dotted arrows). Suffixes “_c”: crushing
 1279 facets, “_s”: shearing facets.



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1281 Figure S9. Distributions of individuals (left) and correlation circle (right) along PC1 and PC2 of the four
 1282 dietary groups on both crushing and shearing upper fourth deciduous premolar facets (A), on crushing
 1283 facets alone (B), and on shearing facets alone (C). Dietary groups: 100 % base flours + 10 hazelnuts in
 1284 shell a day (red), 70 % base flours + 30 % barley seeds (green), 60 % base flours + 20 % corn flour +
 1285 20 % corn kernels (yellow), 100 % base flours (blue). Sexes: ●: females, ▲: uncastrated males, ■:
 1286 castrated males. Active variables (filled arrows): height (dark blue), spatial (light blue), and topological
 1287 (purple) parameters. SSFA-parameters added as supplementary variables (gray dotted arrows).
 1288 Suffixes “_c”: crushing facets, “_s”: shearing facets.

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1292 Photosimulations and false color elevation maps of scanned shearing and crushing facets on first lower
1293 and upper molars and on upper fourth deciduous premolars of the four dietary groups: control, hazelnut,
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Photosimulations and false color elevation maps of scanned shearing and crushing
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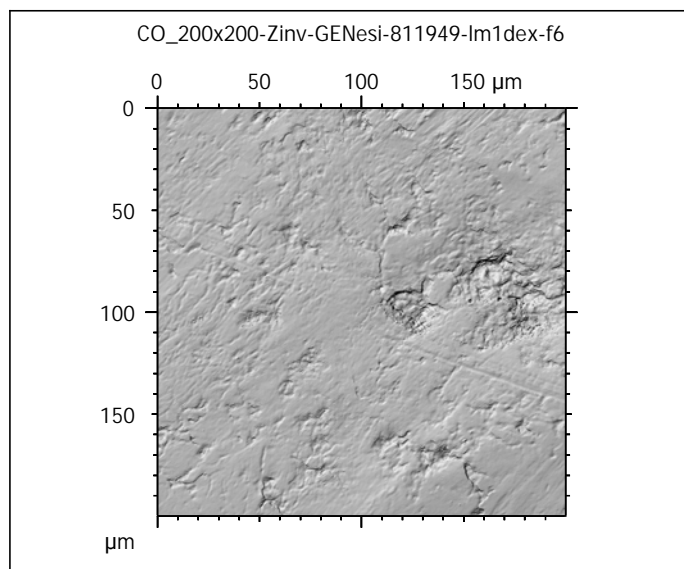
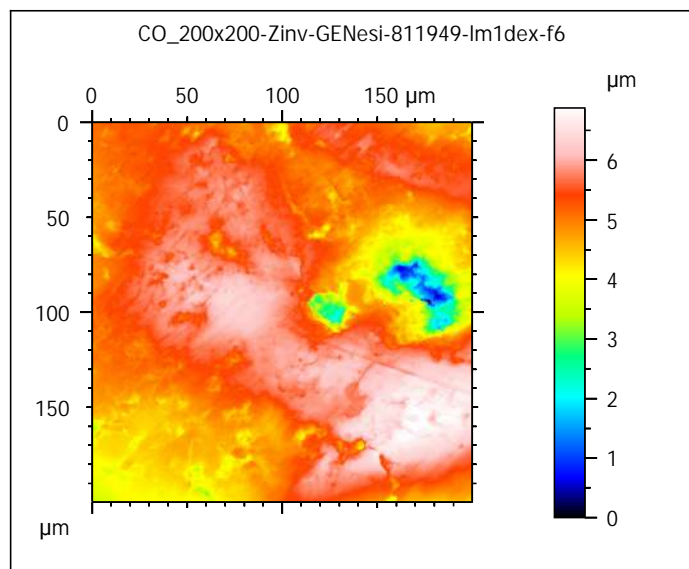
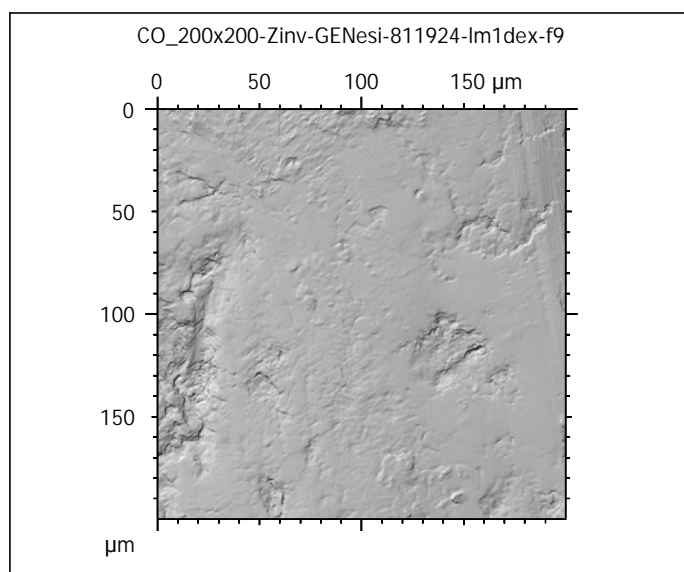
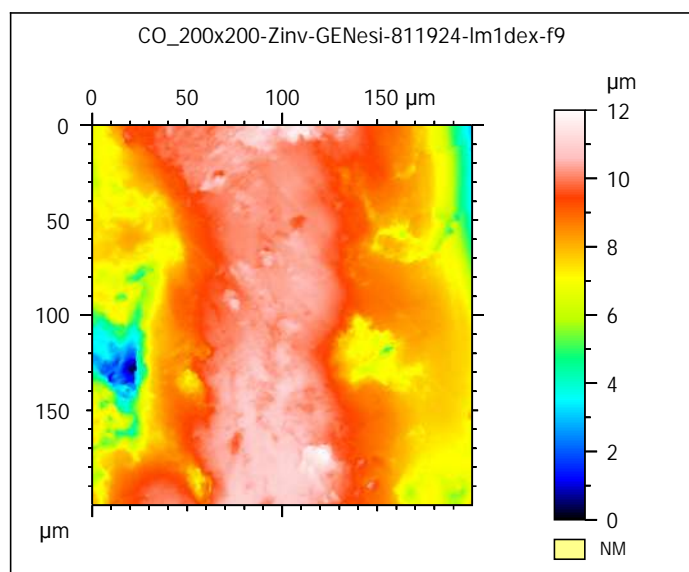
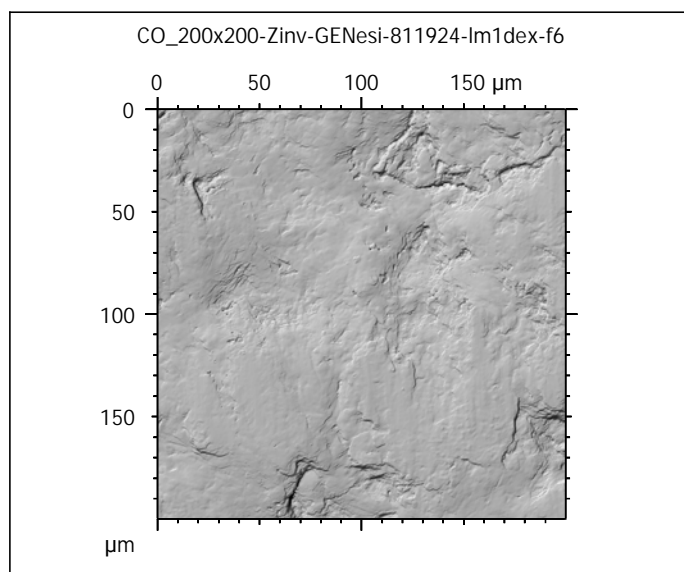
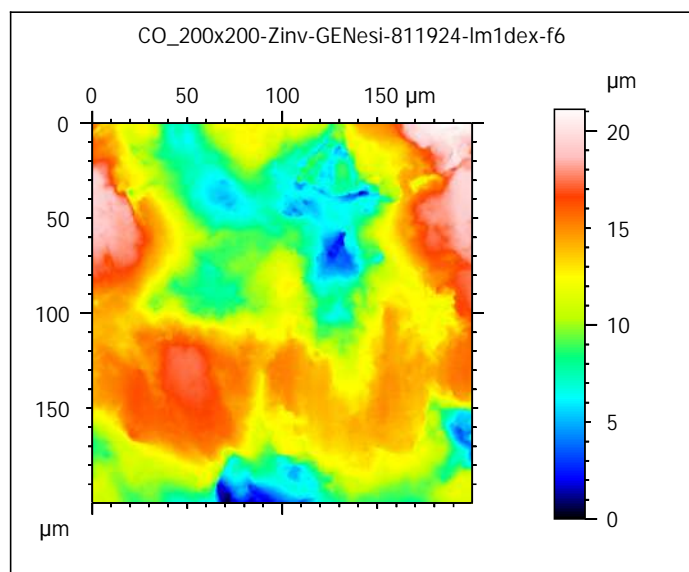
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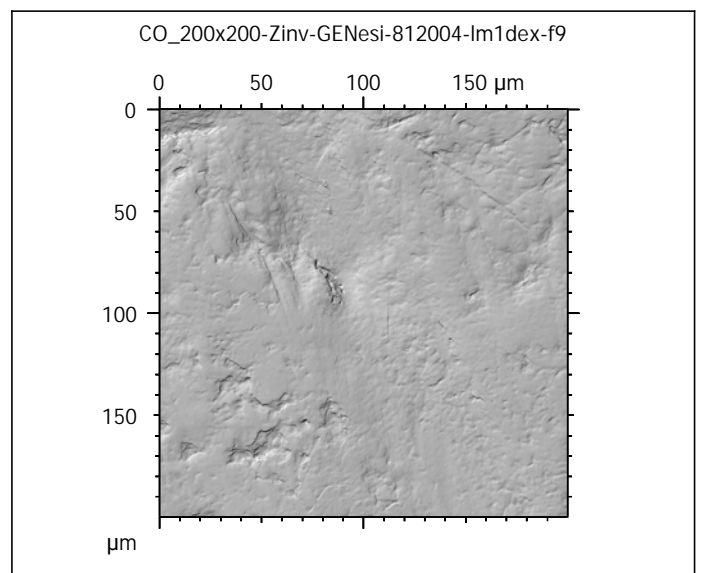
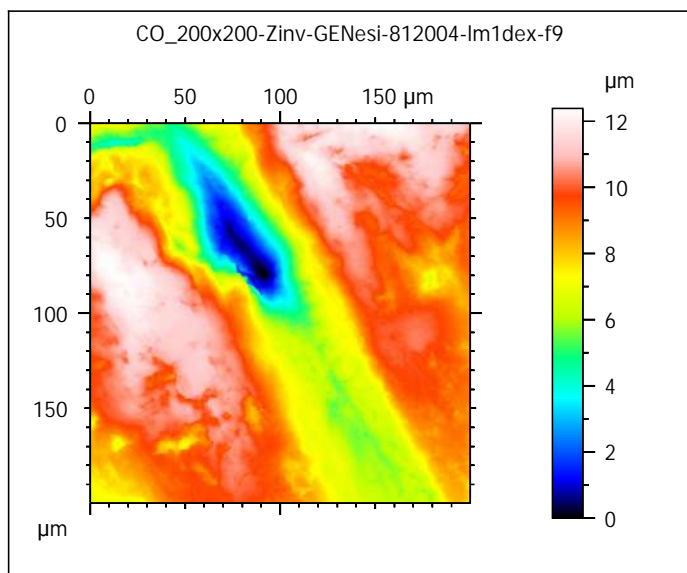
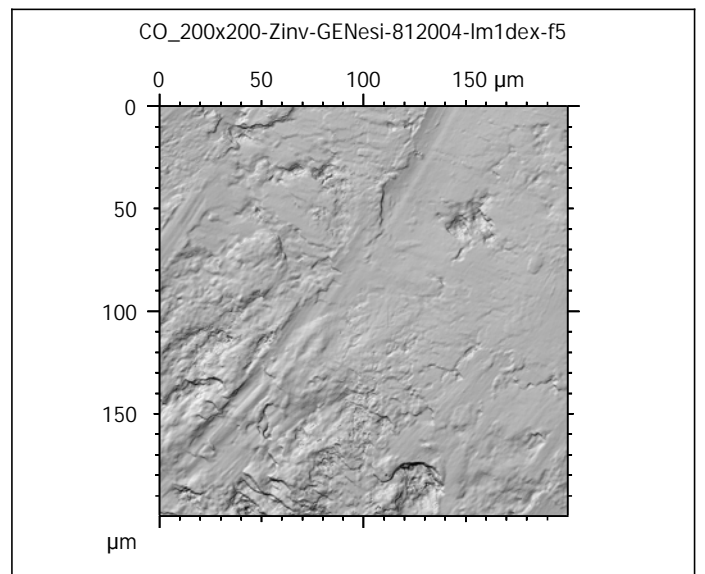
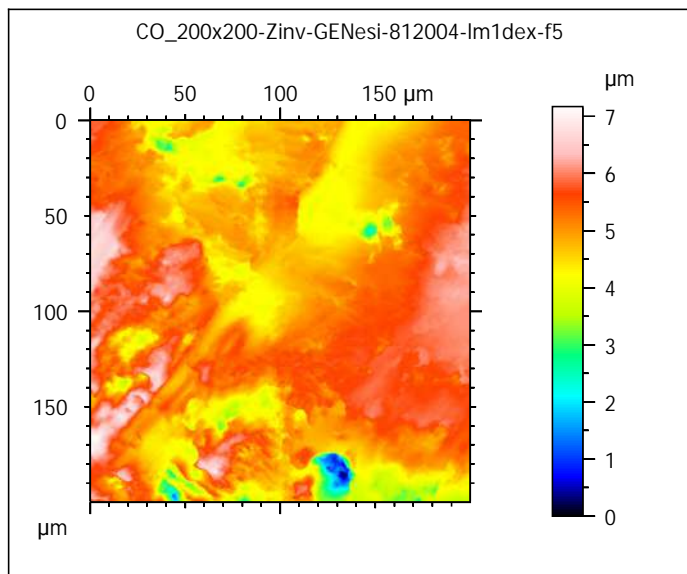
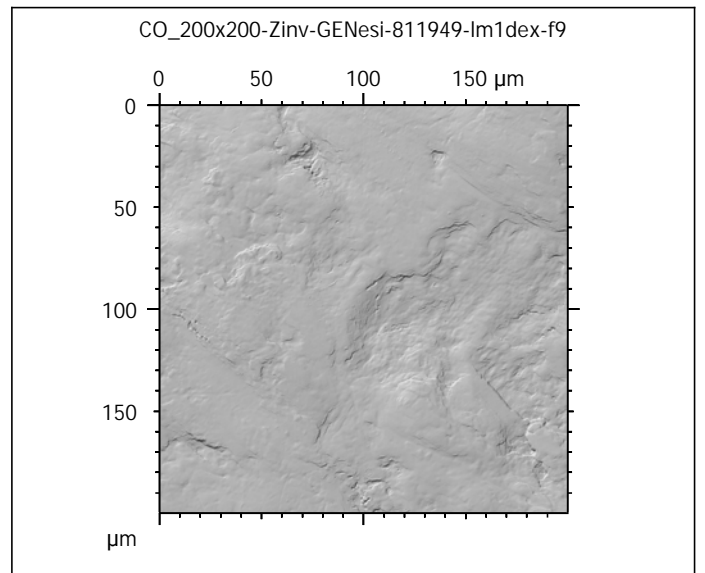
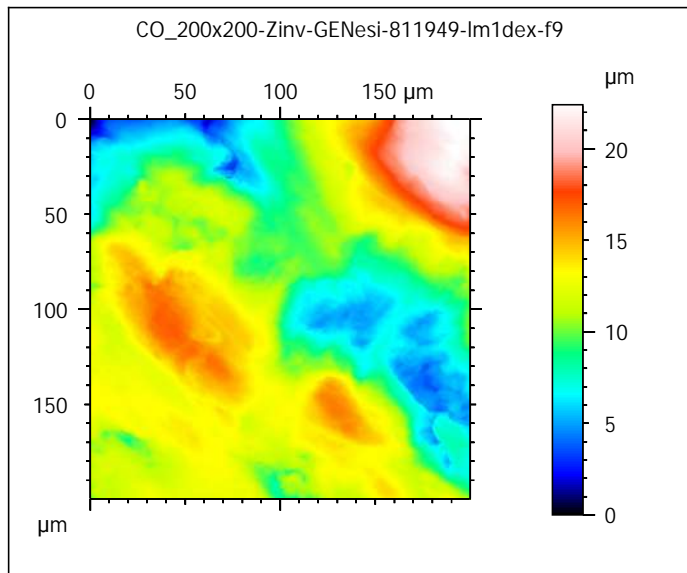
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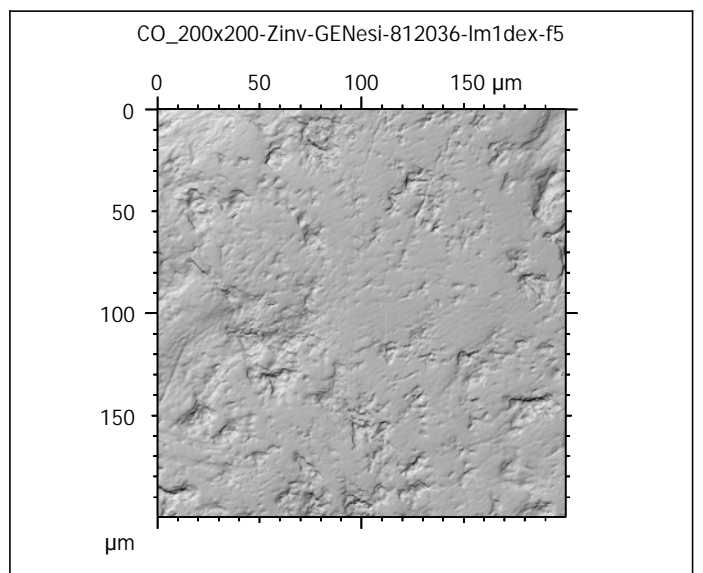
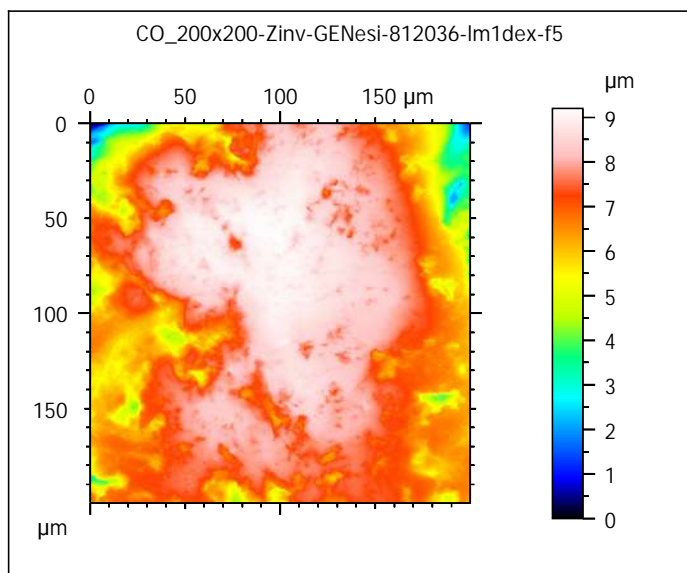
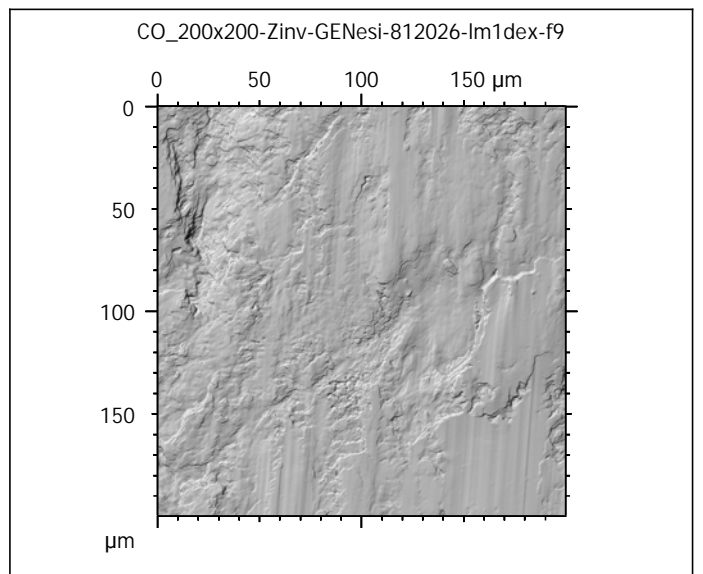
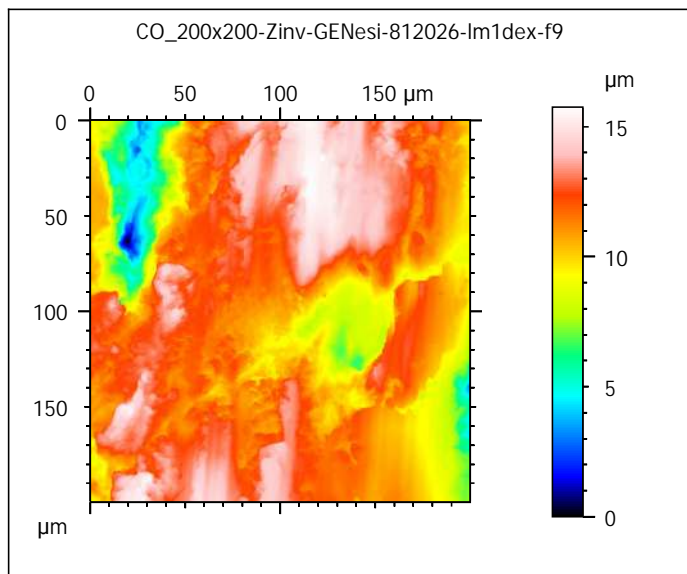
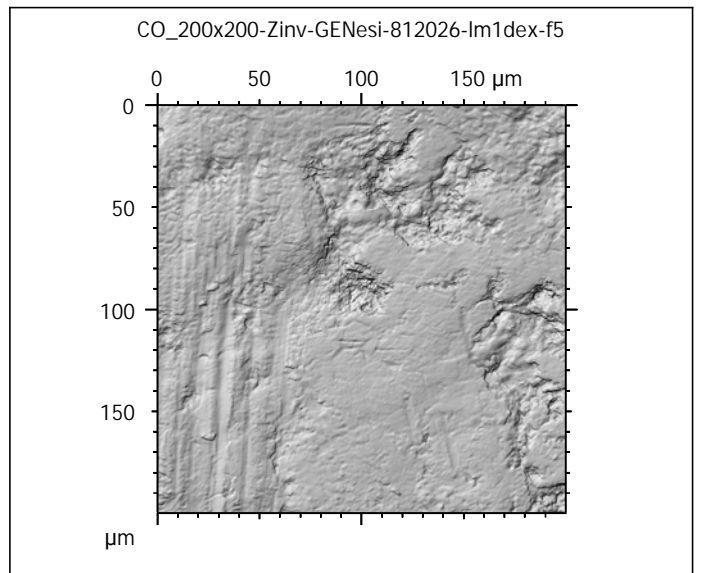
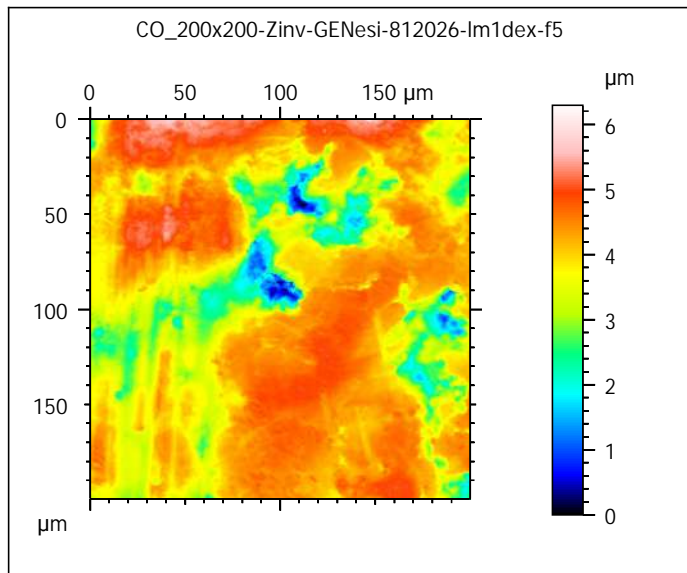
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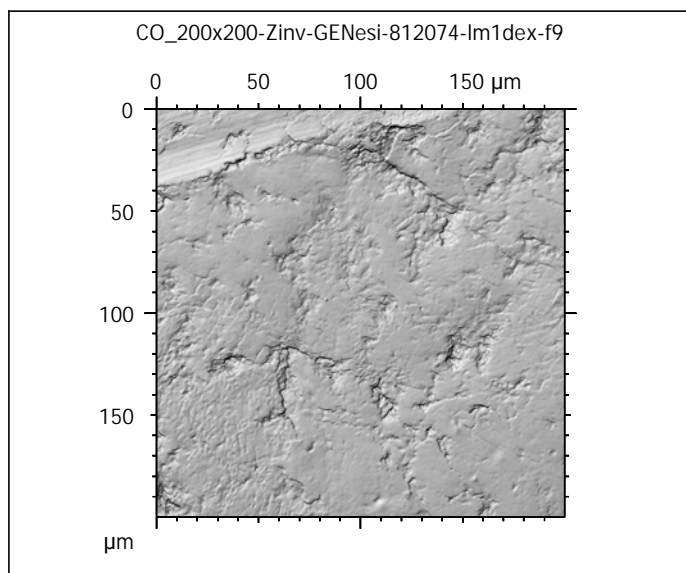
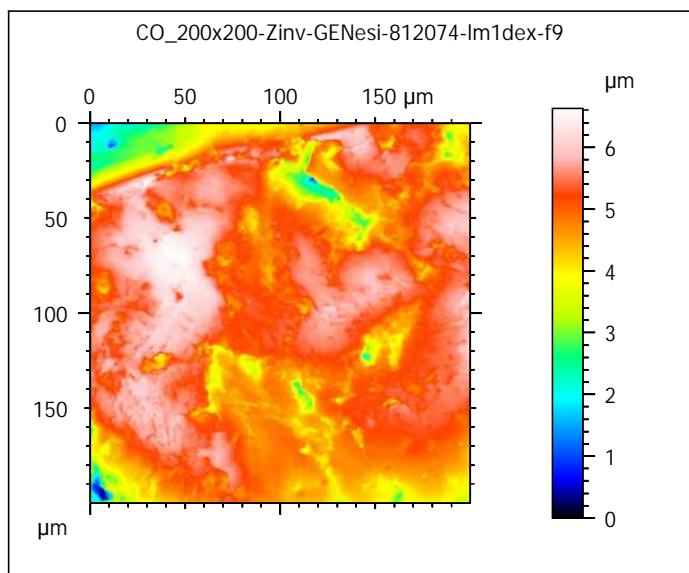
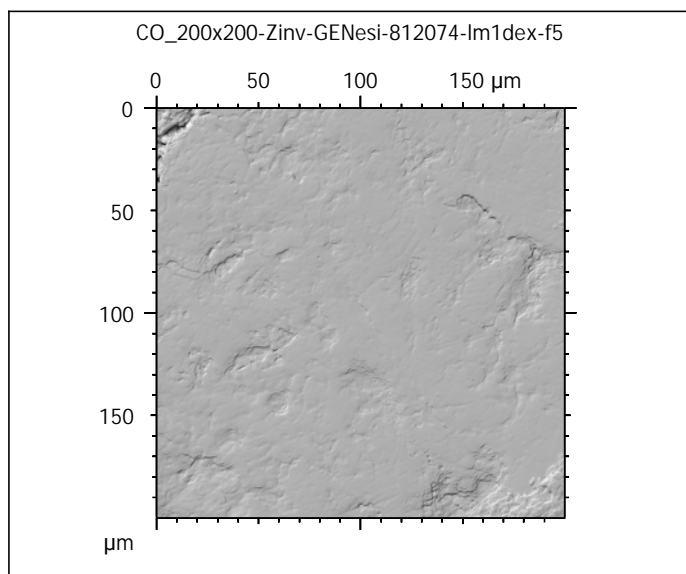
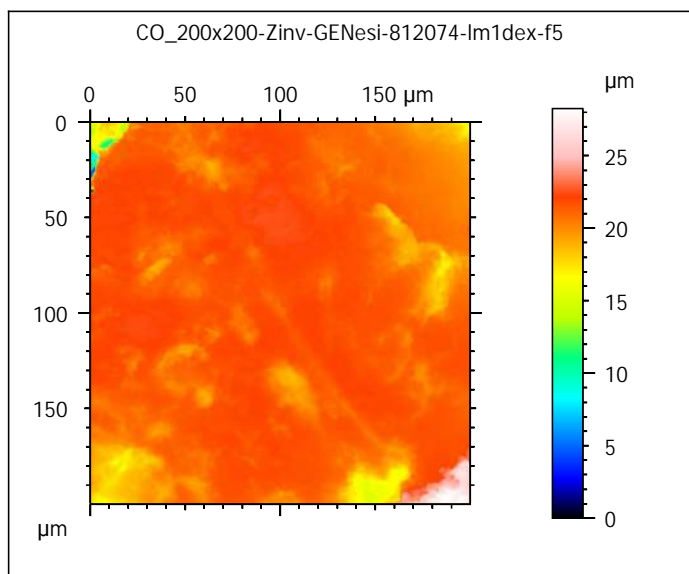
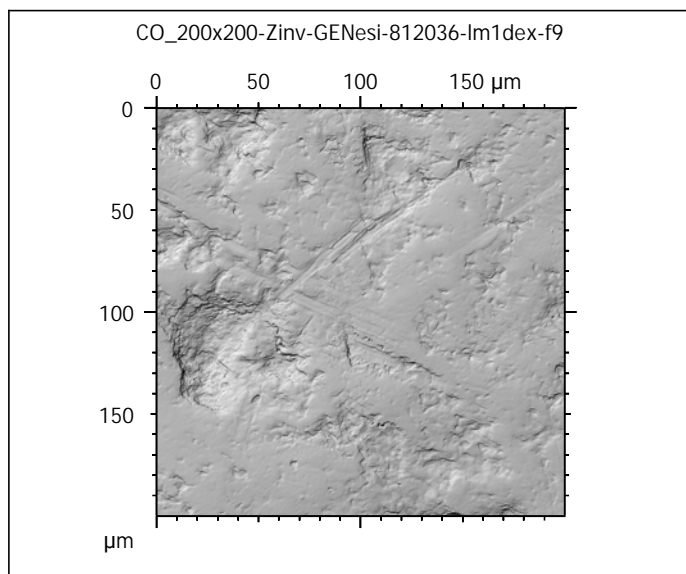
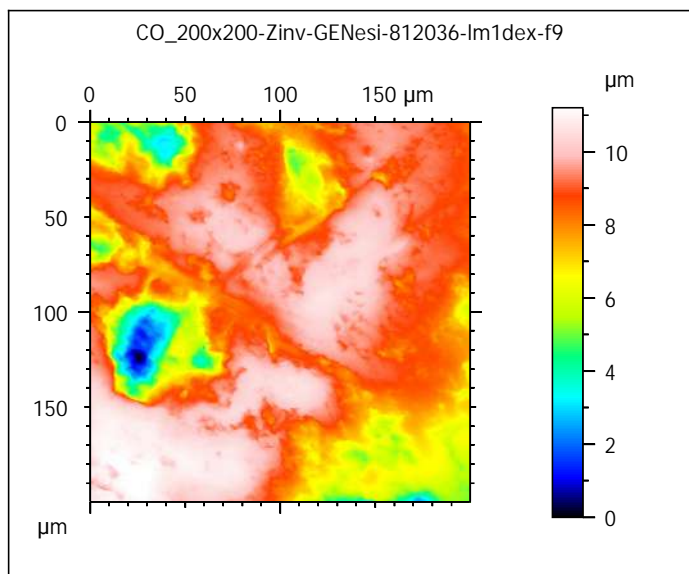
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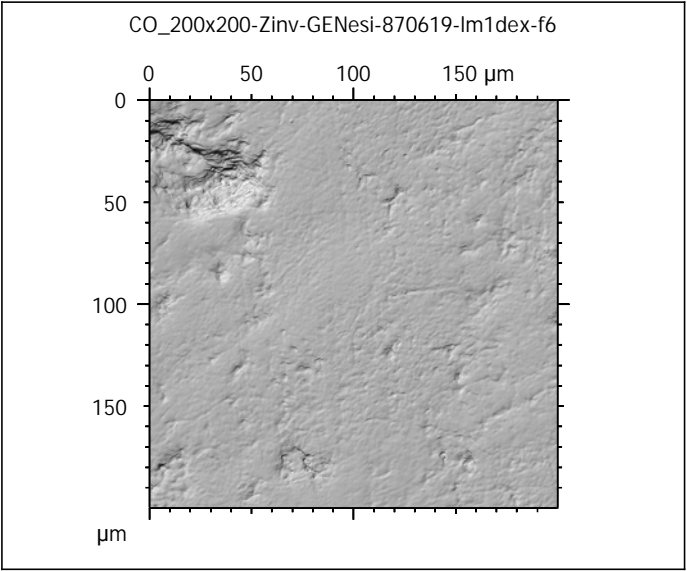
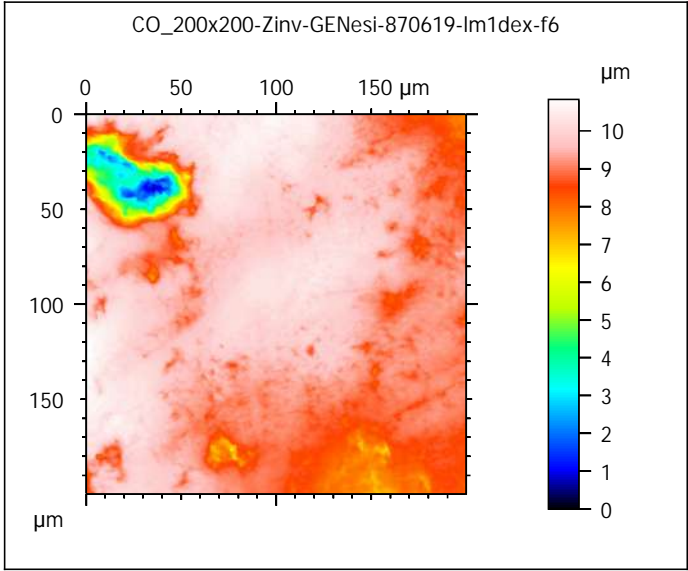
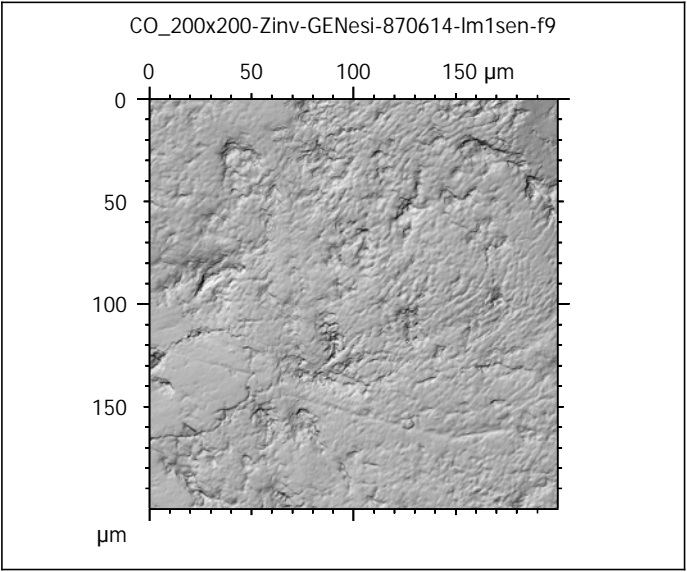
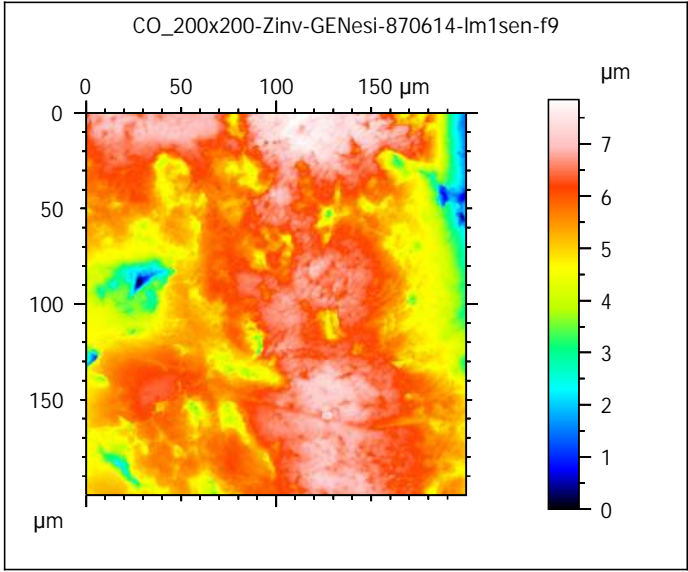
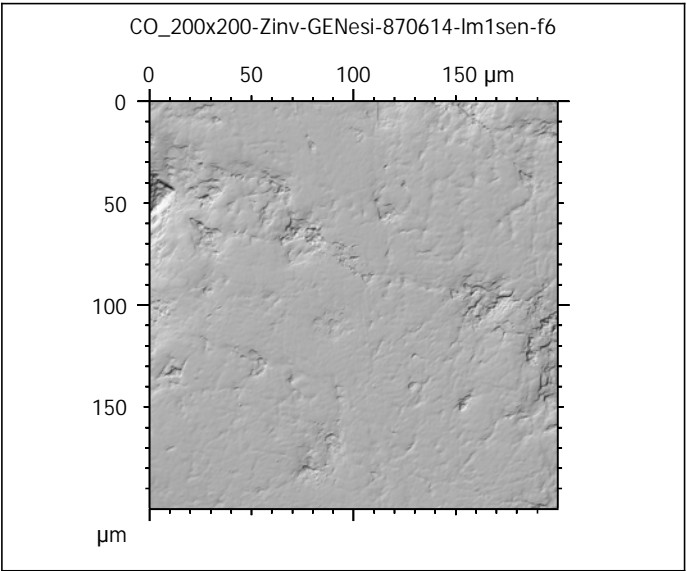
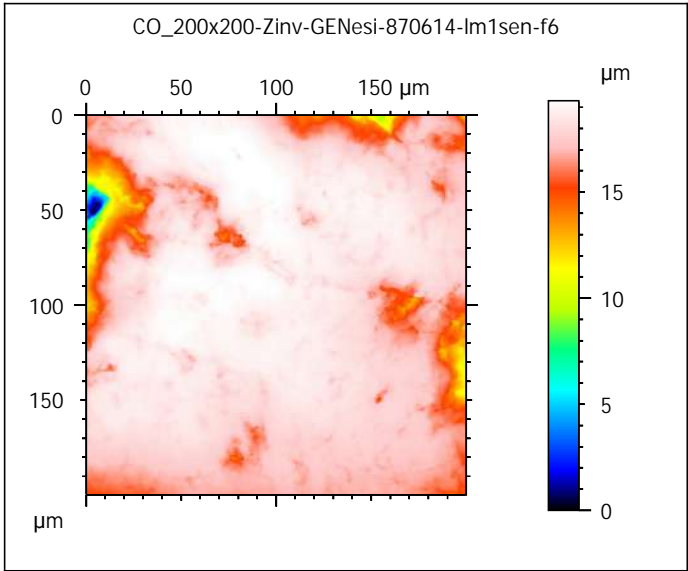
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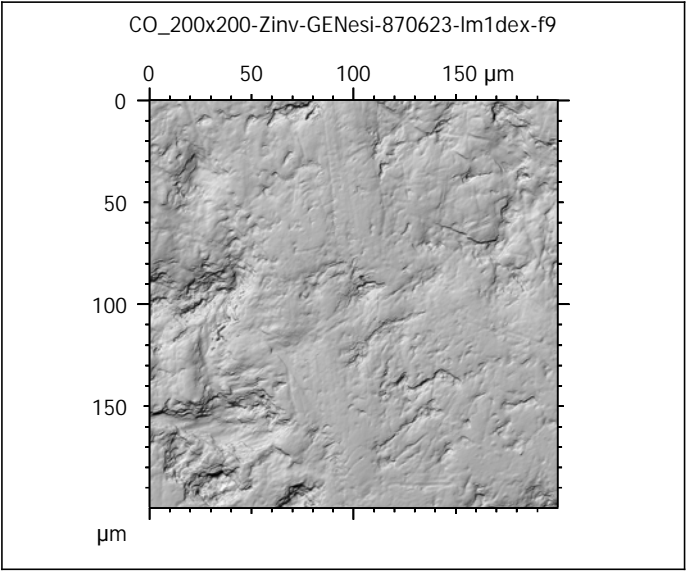
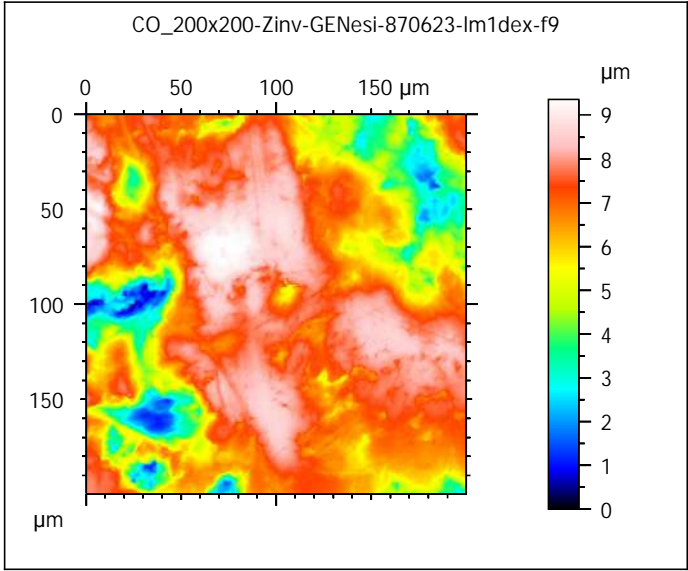
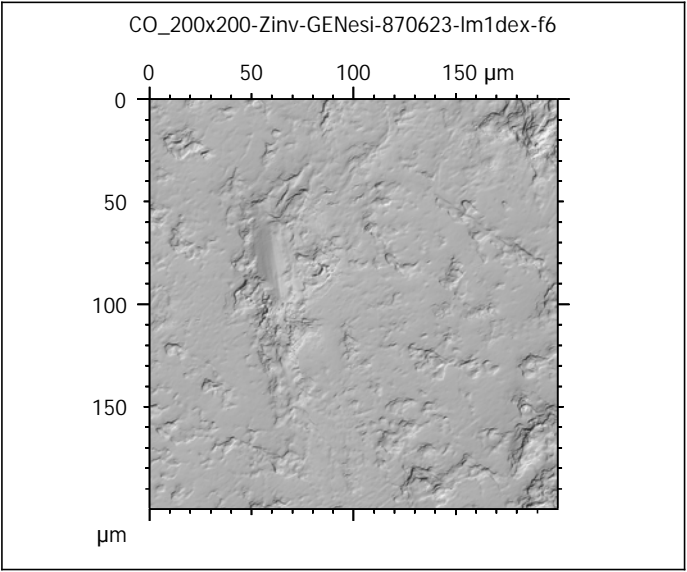
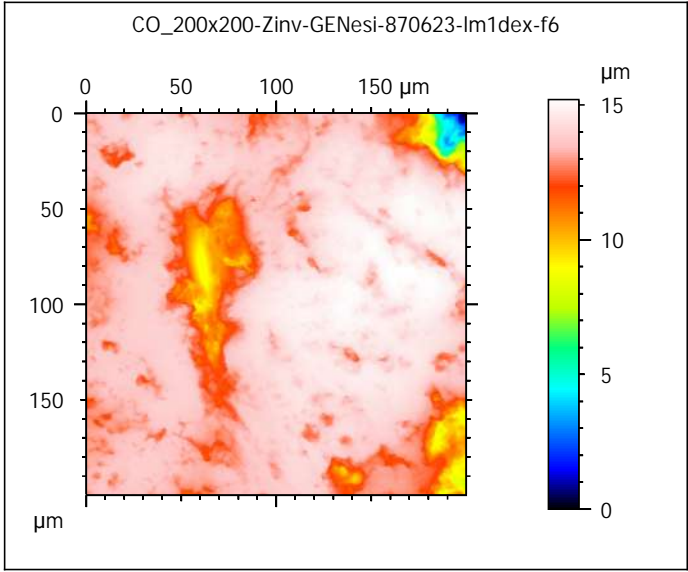
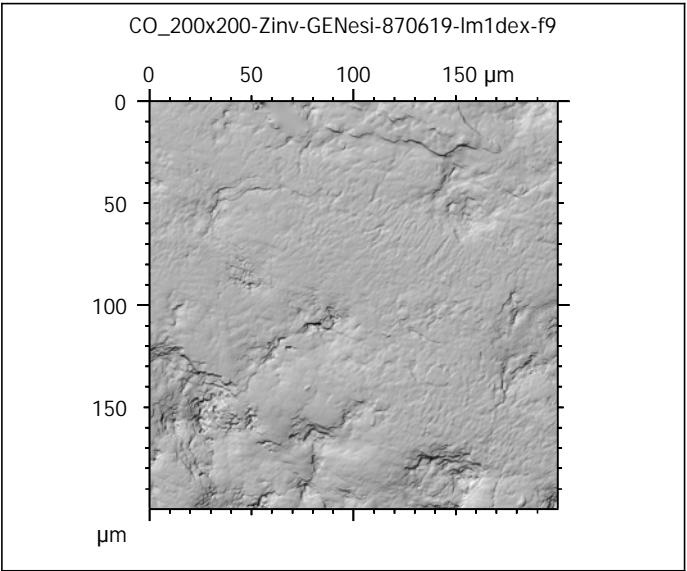
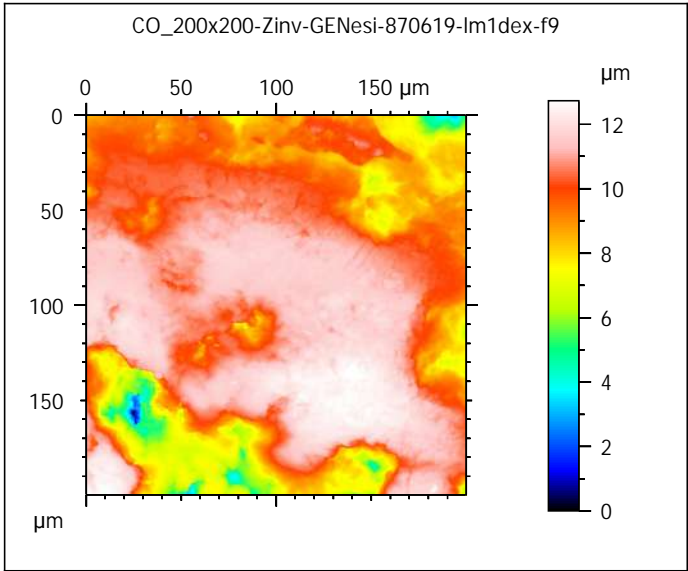


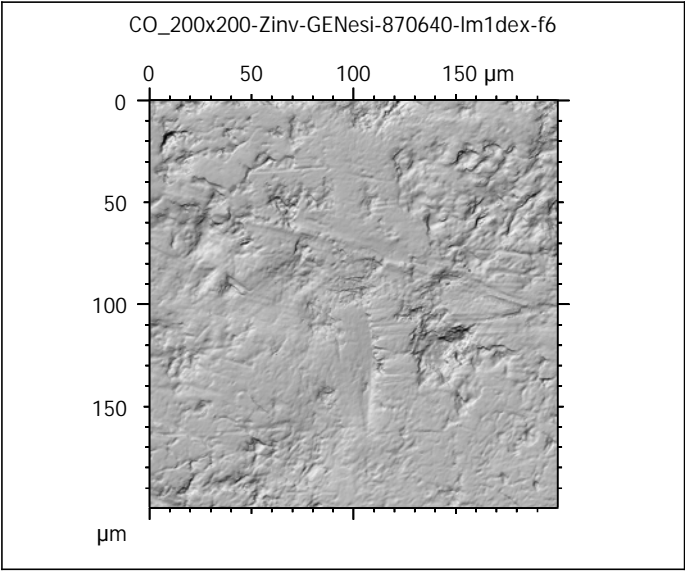
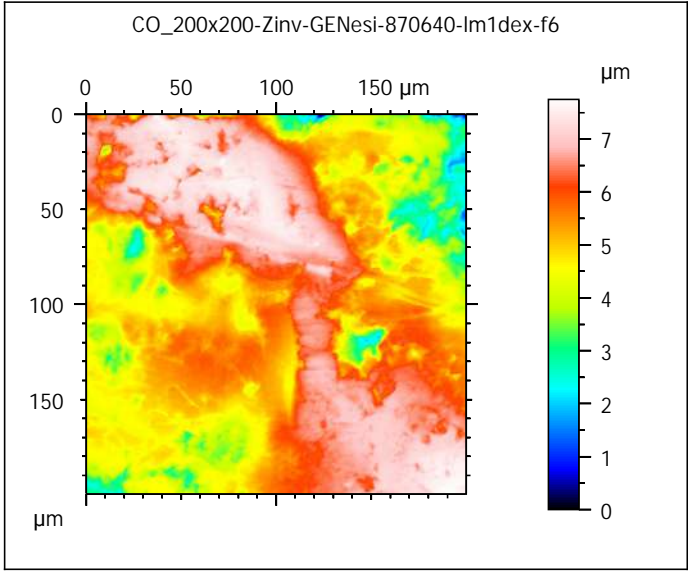
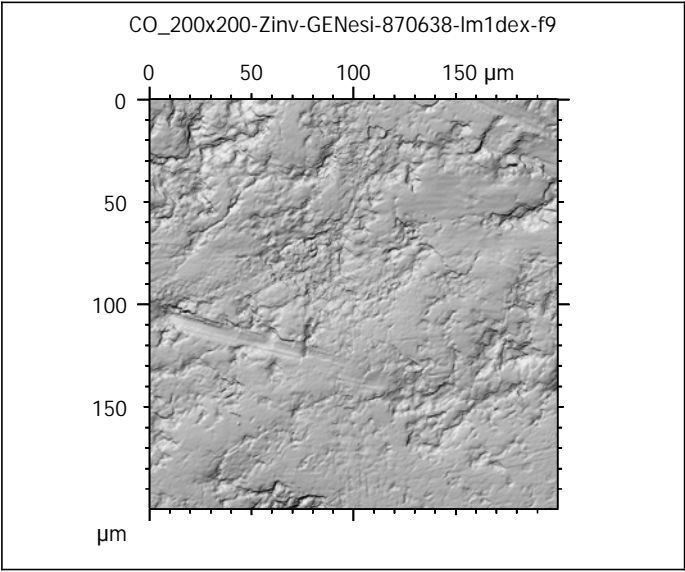
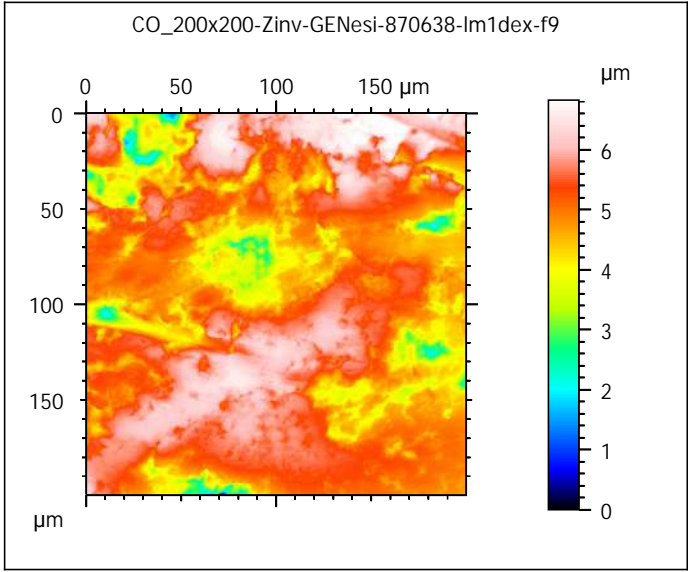
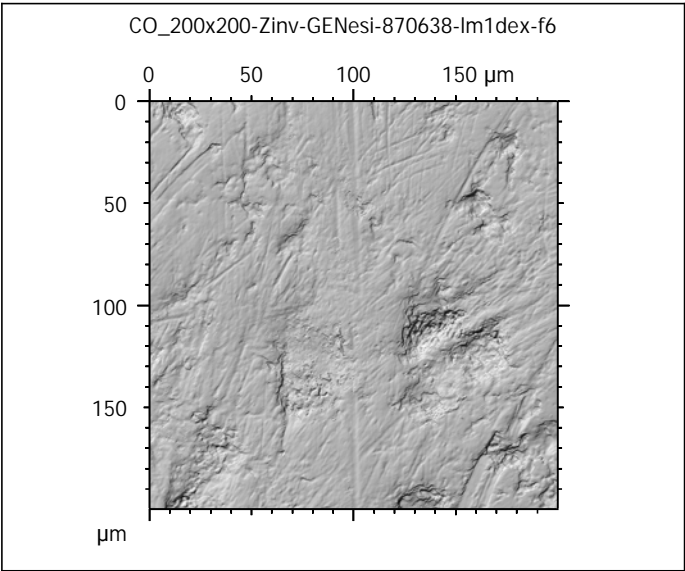
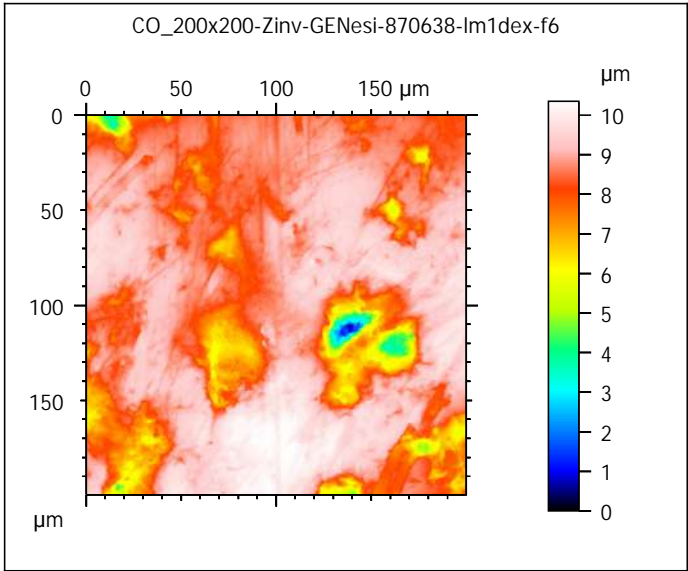


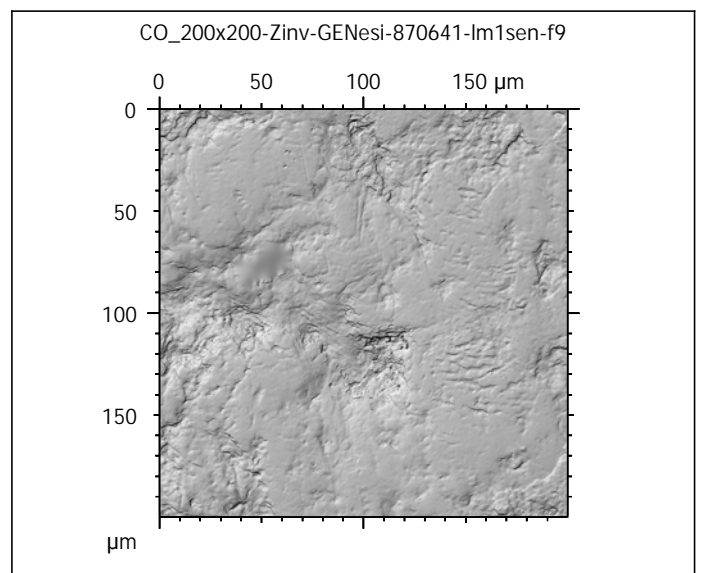
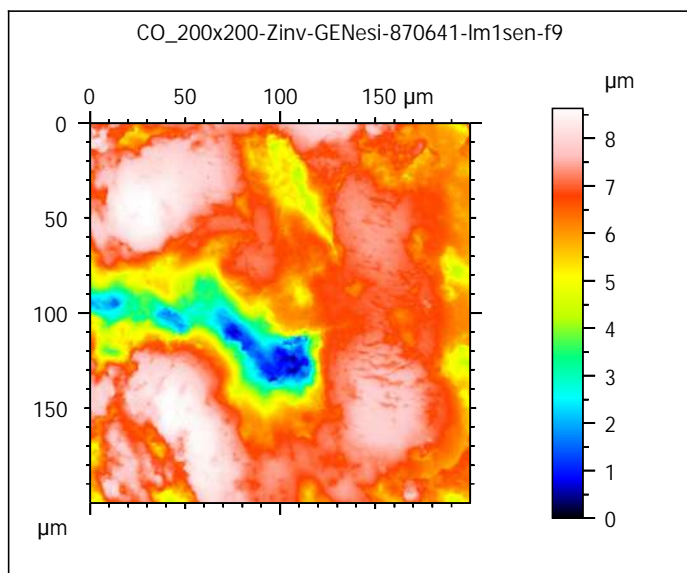
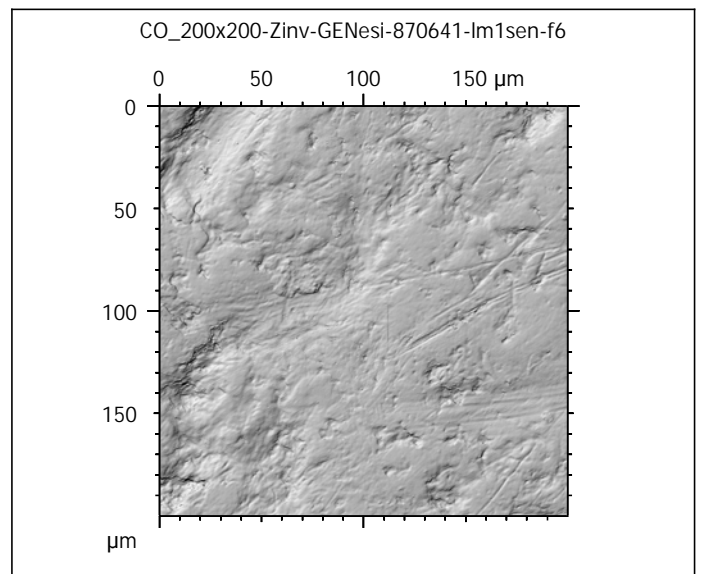
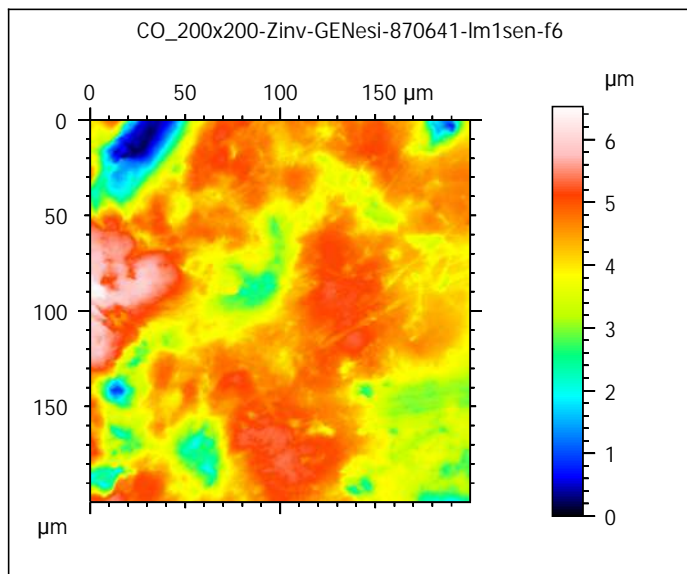
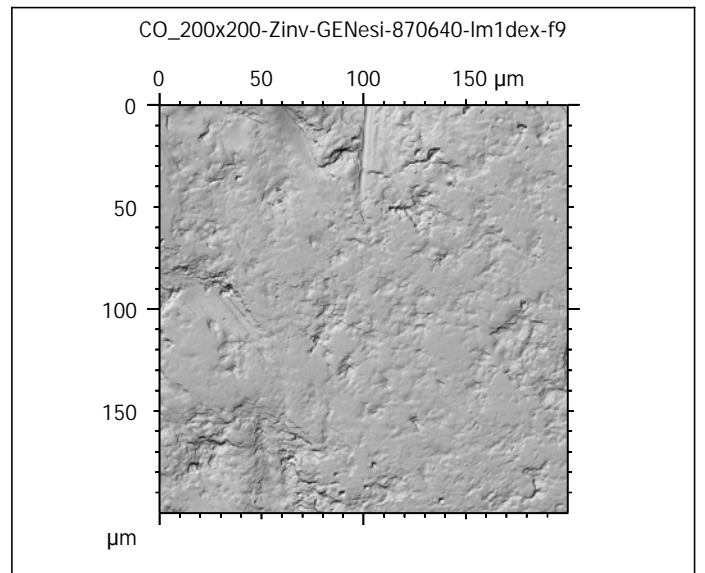
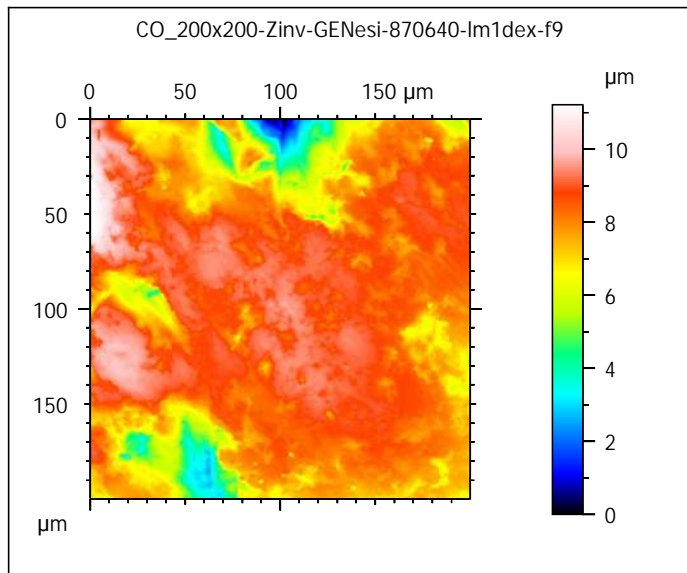


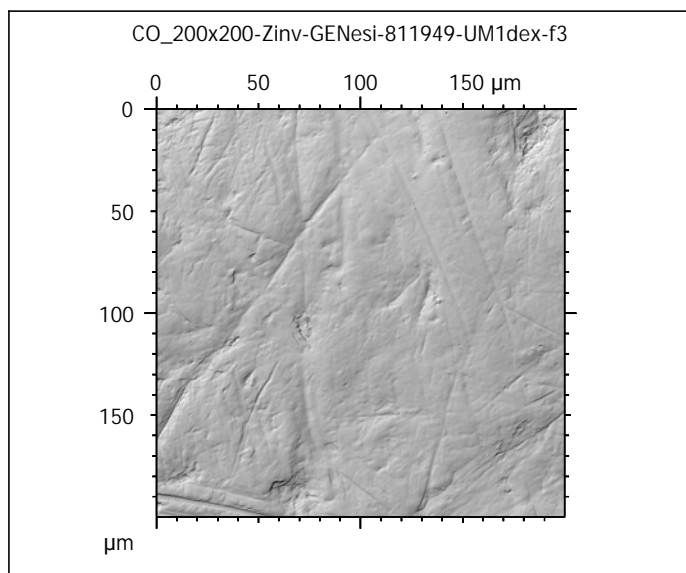
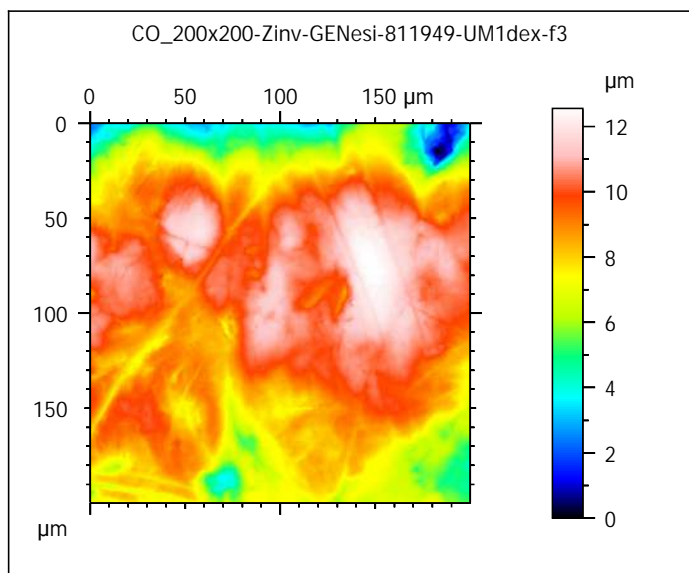
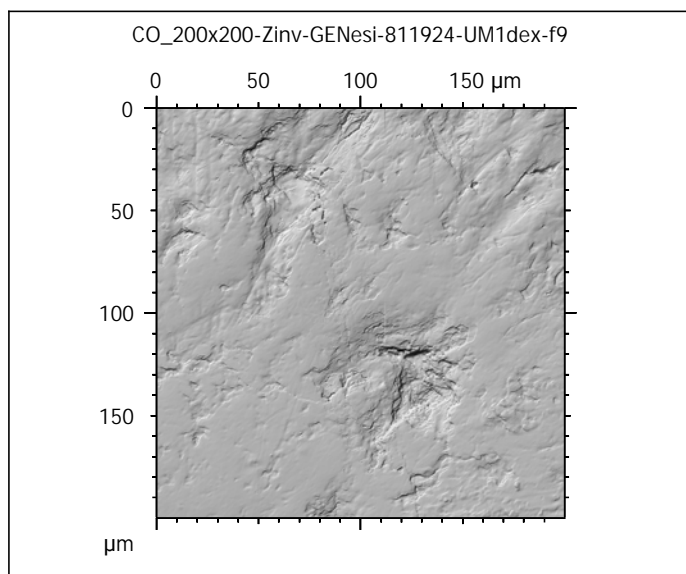
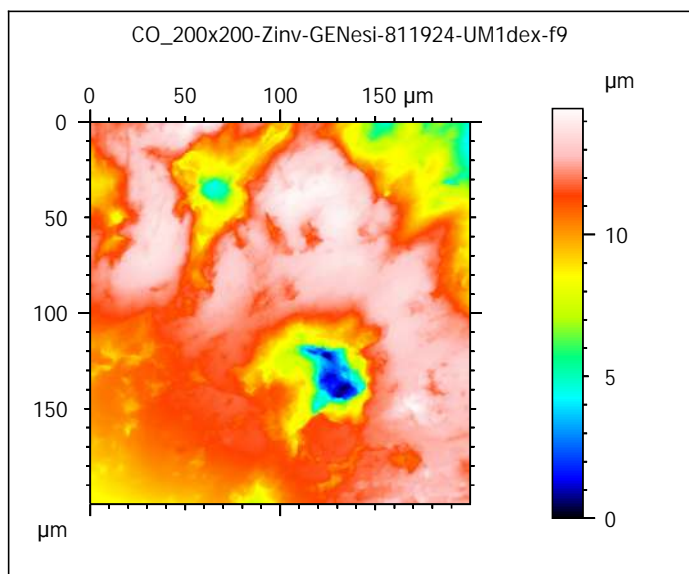
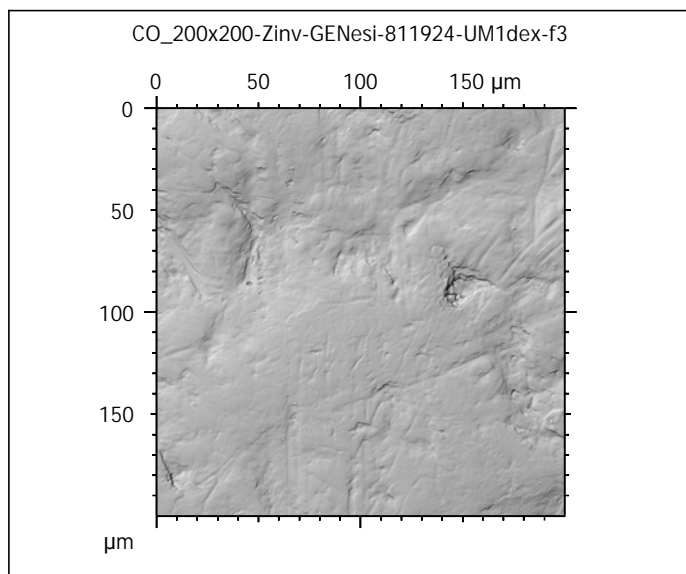
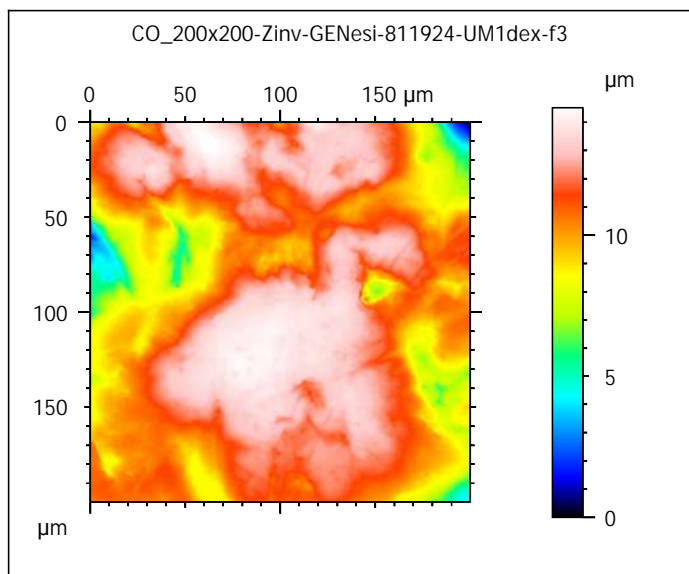


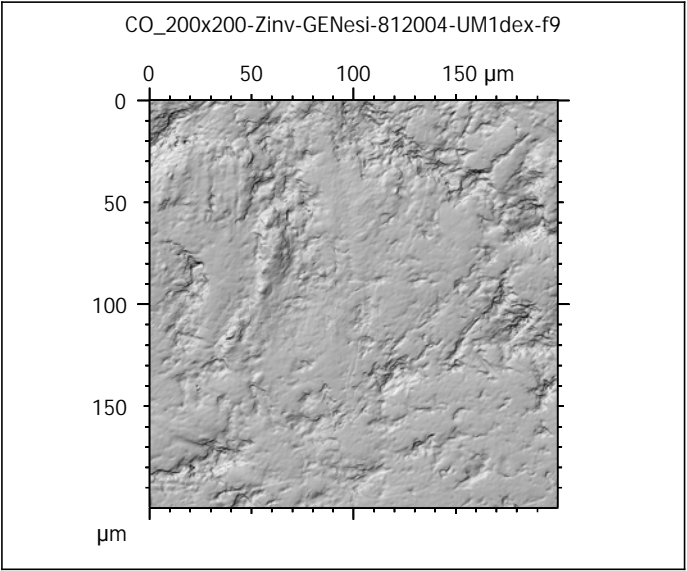
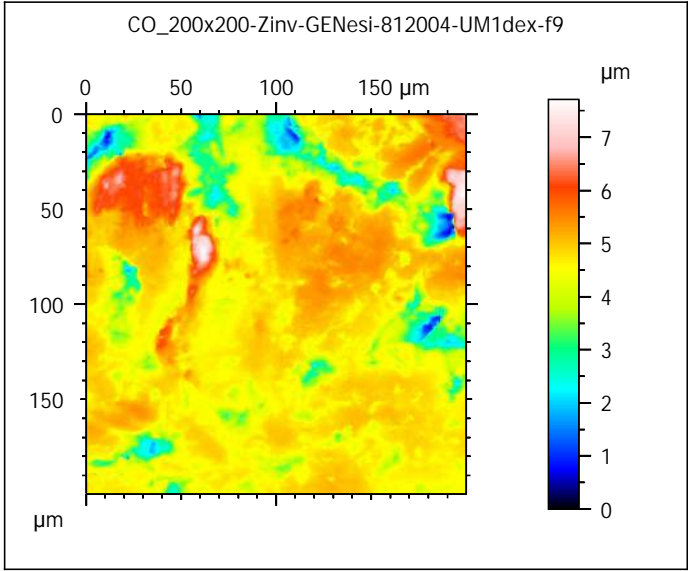
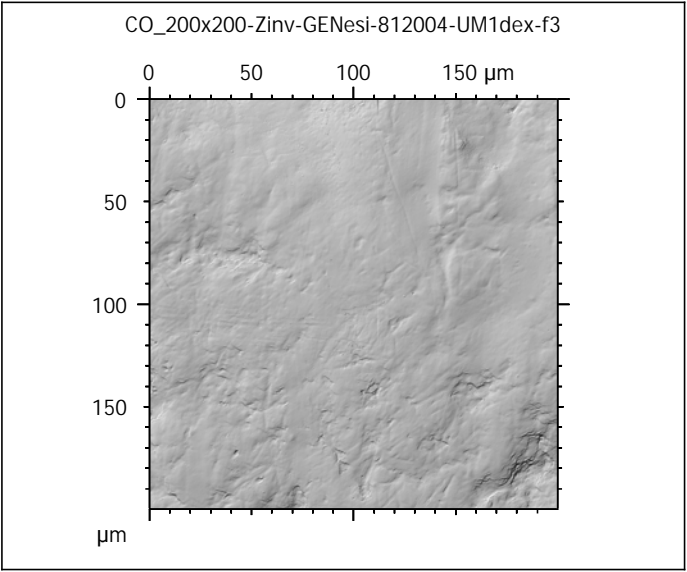
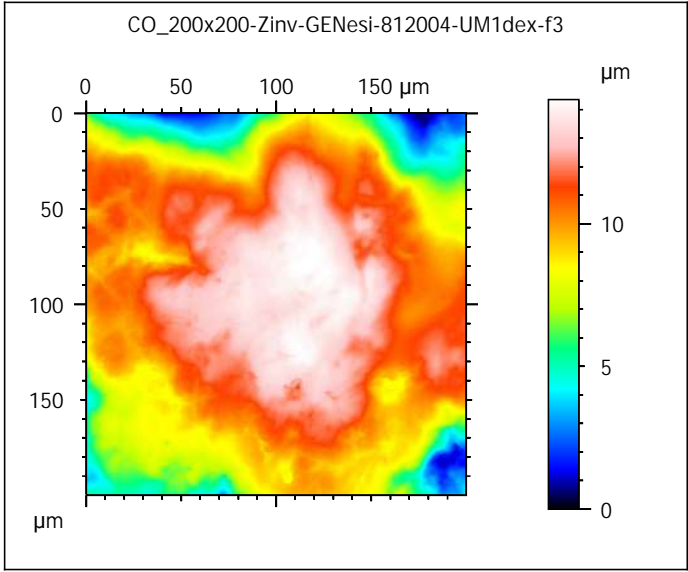
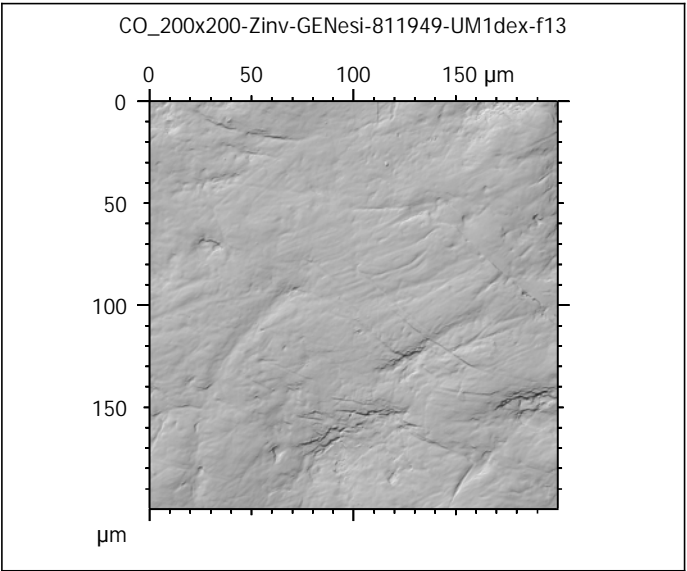
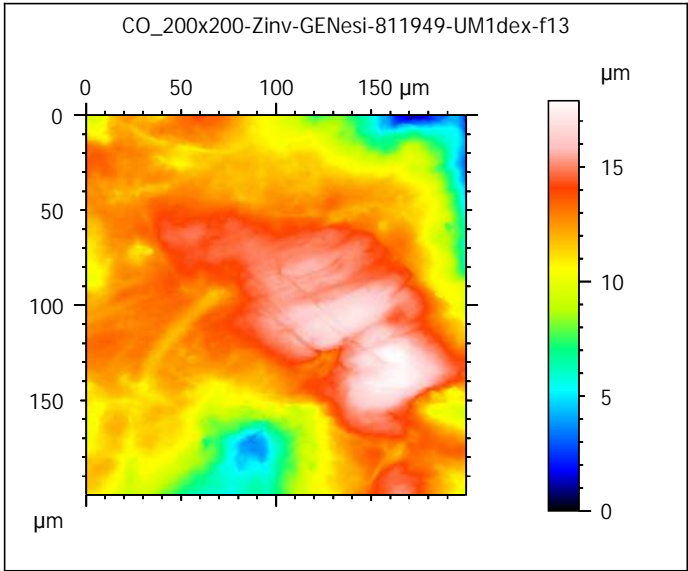


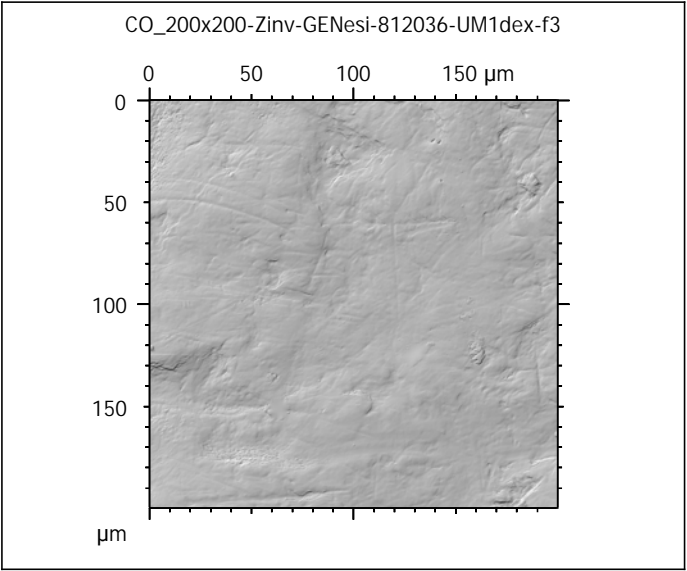
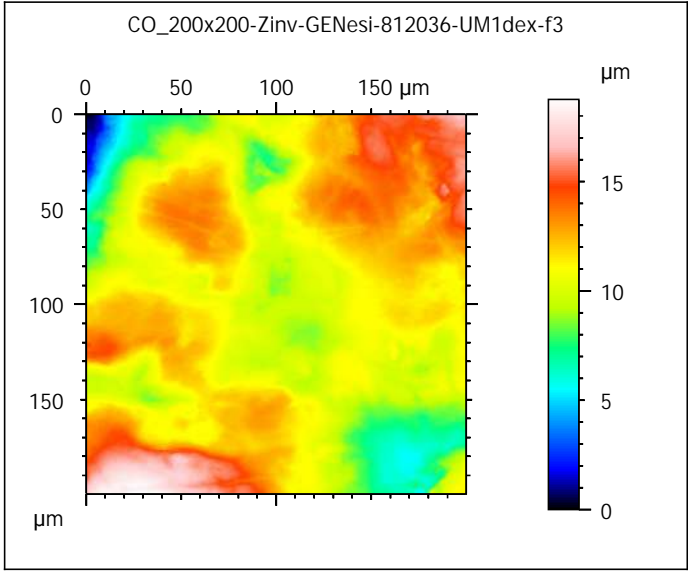
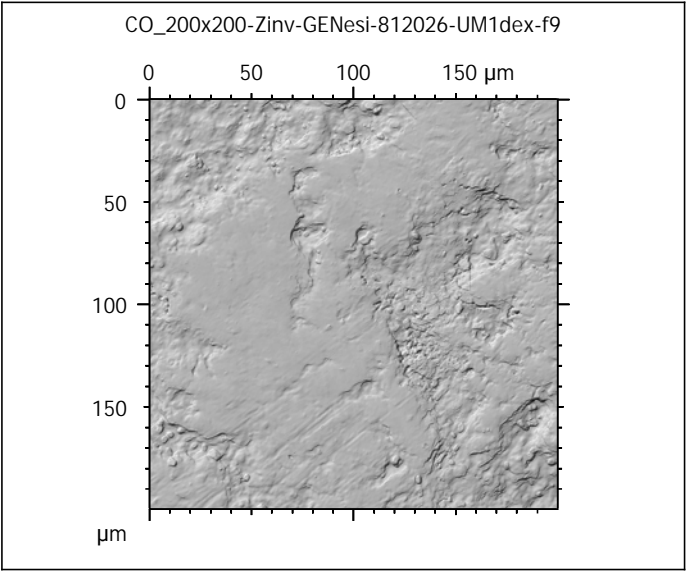
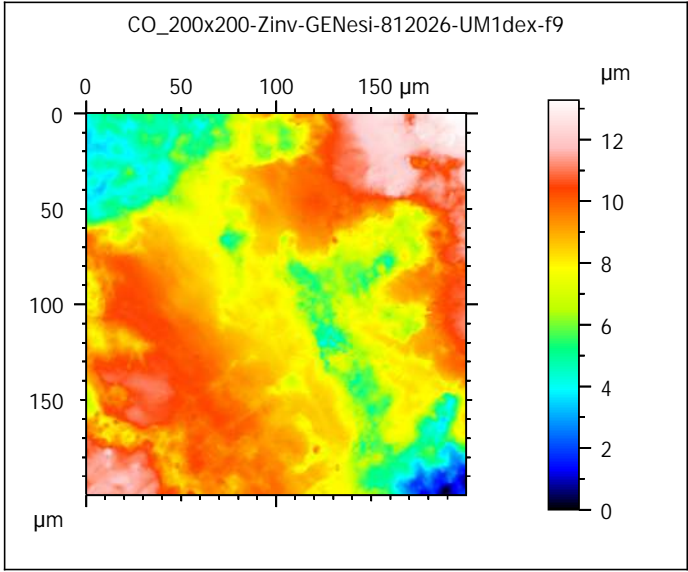
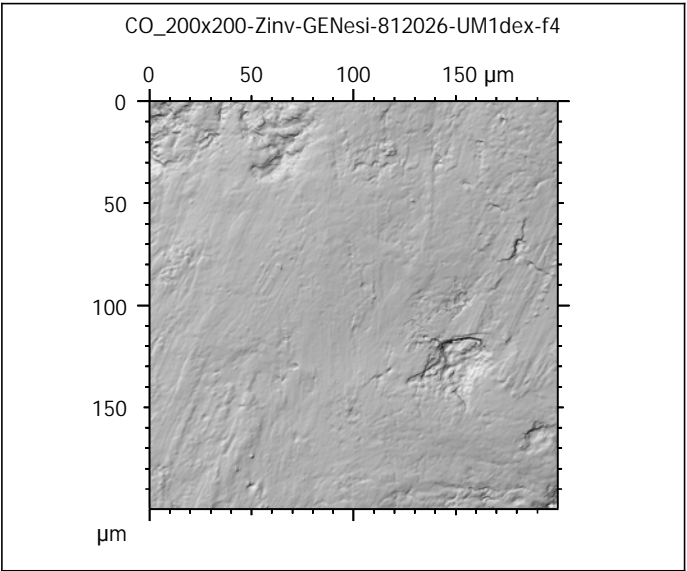
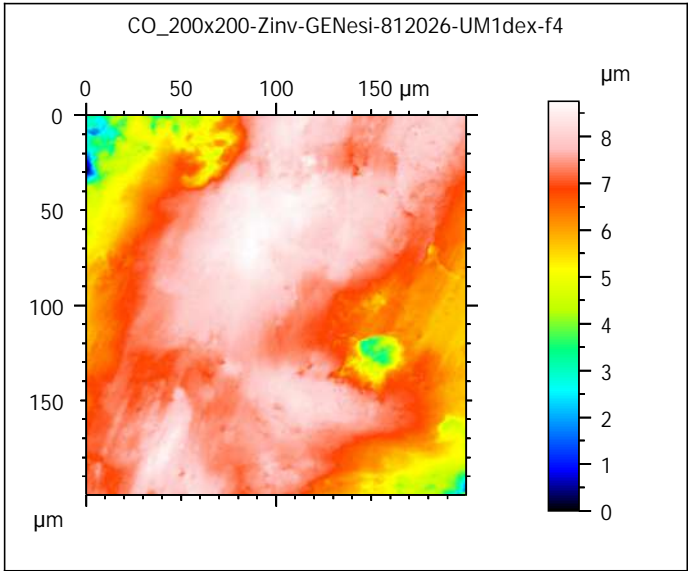


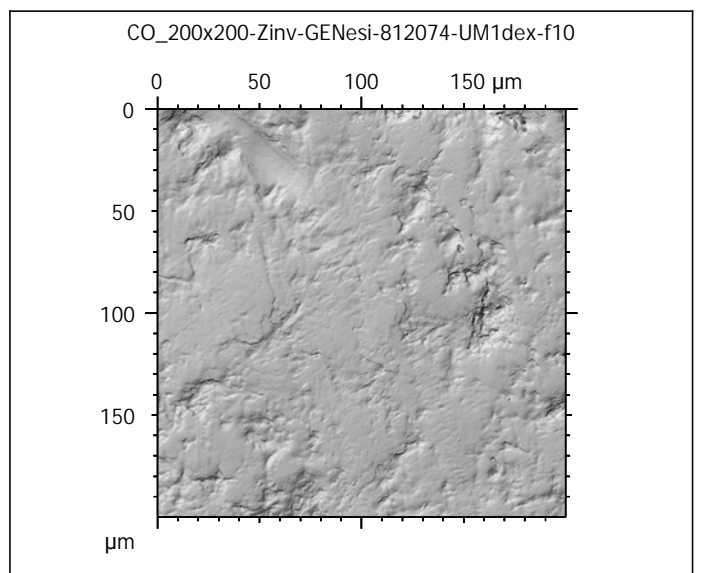
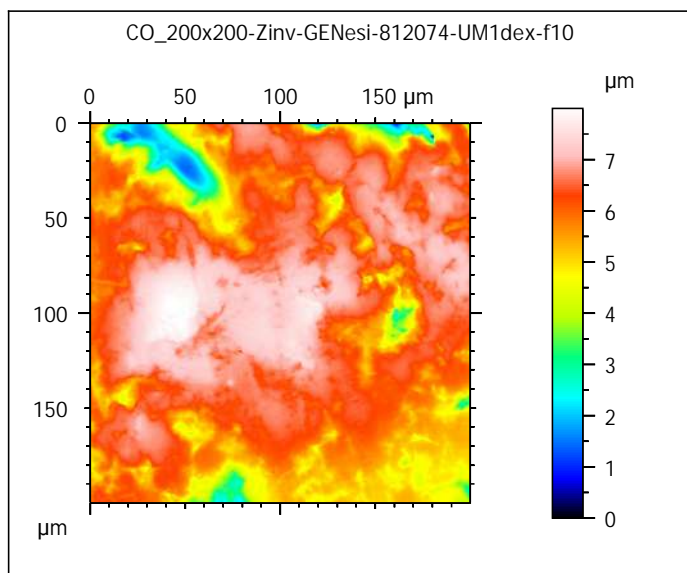
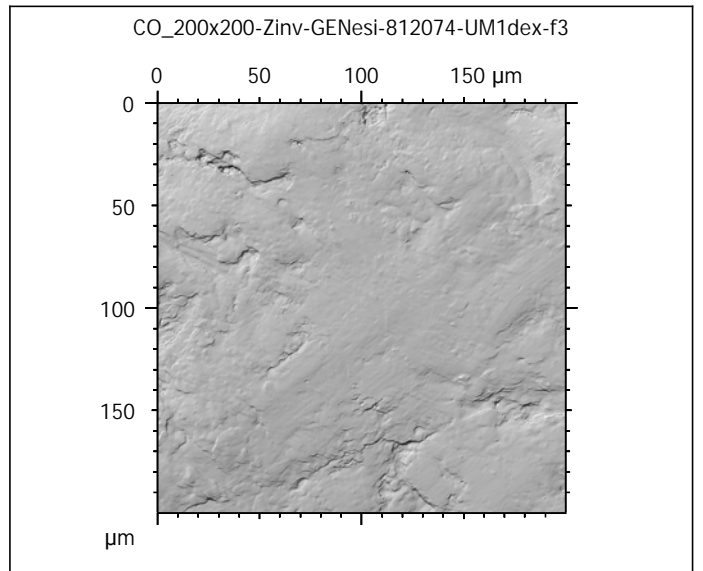
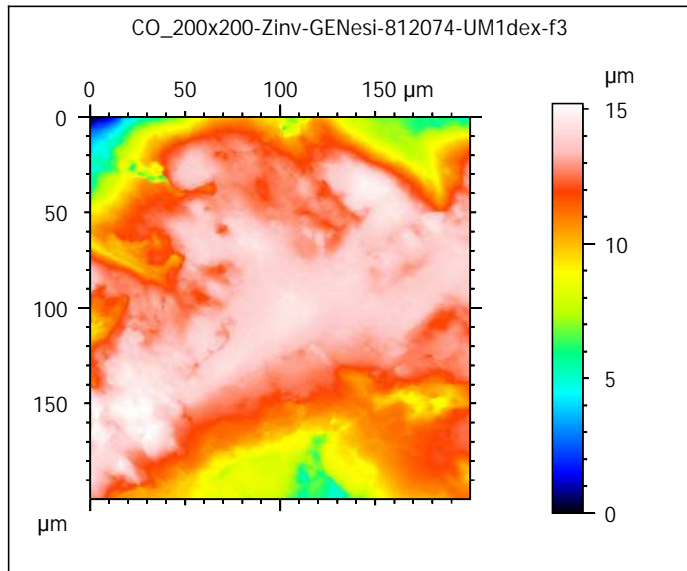
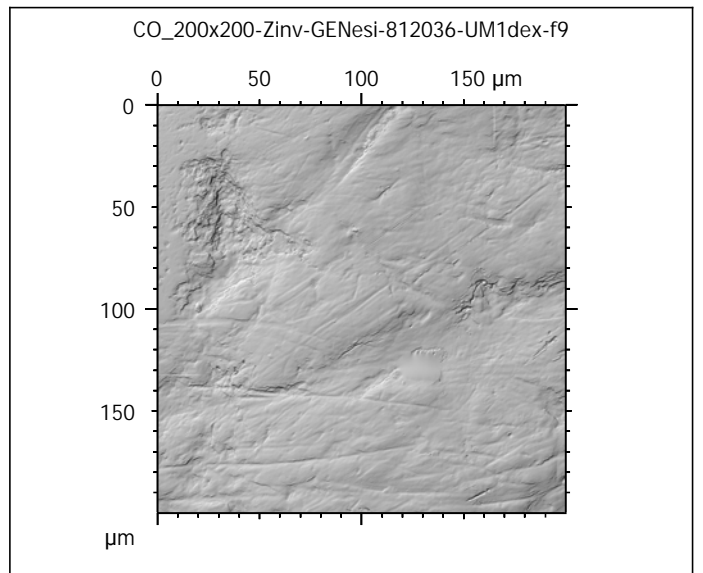
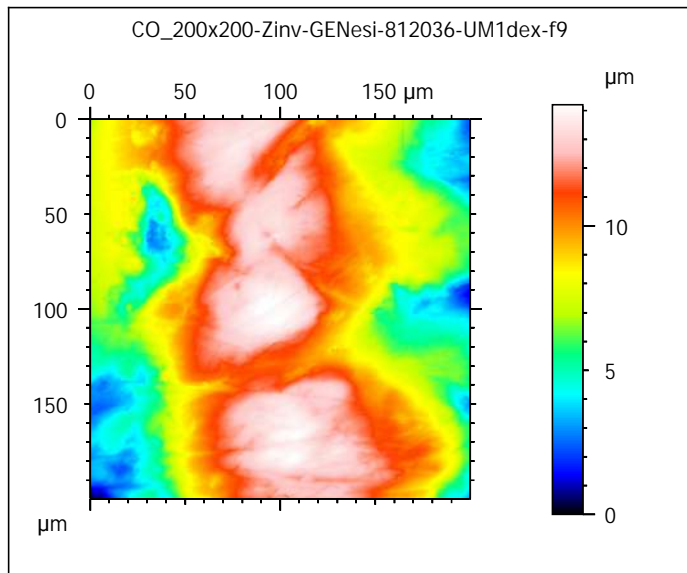


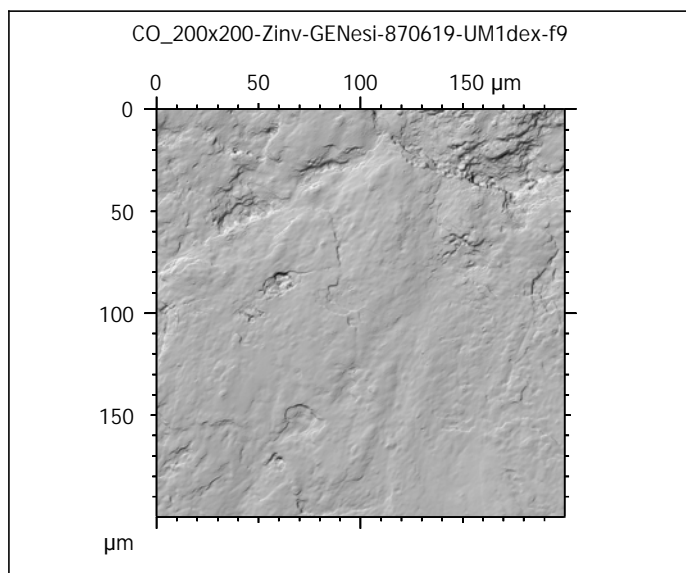
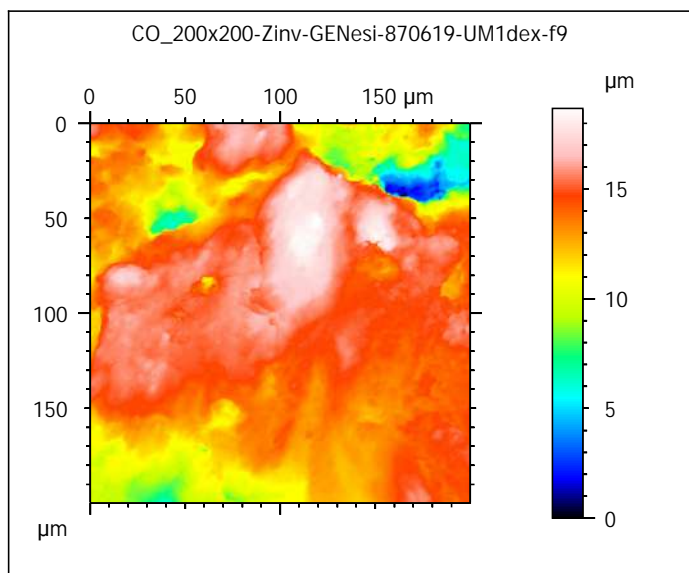
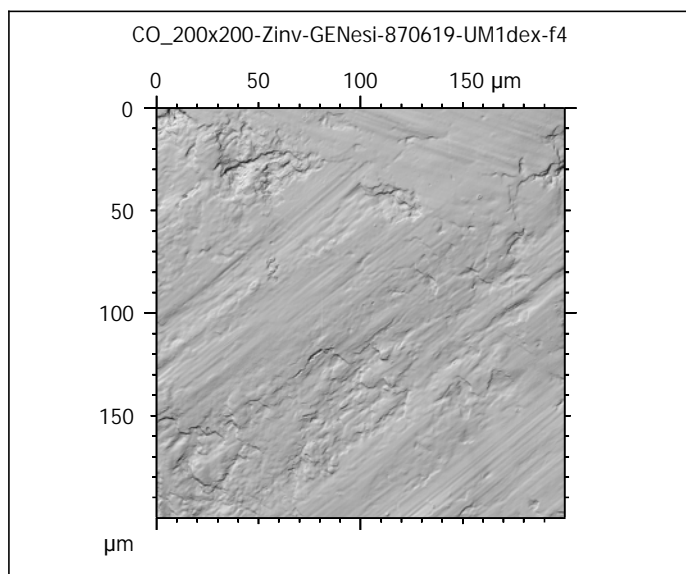
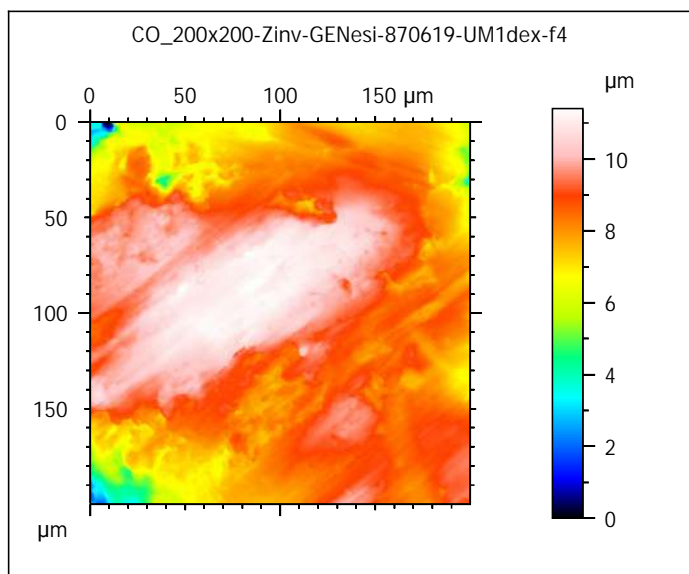
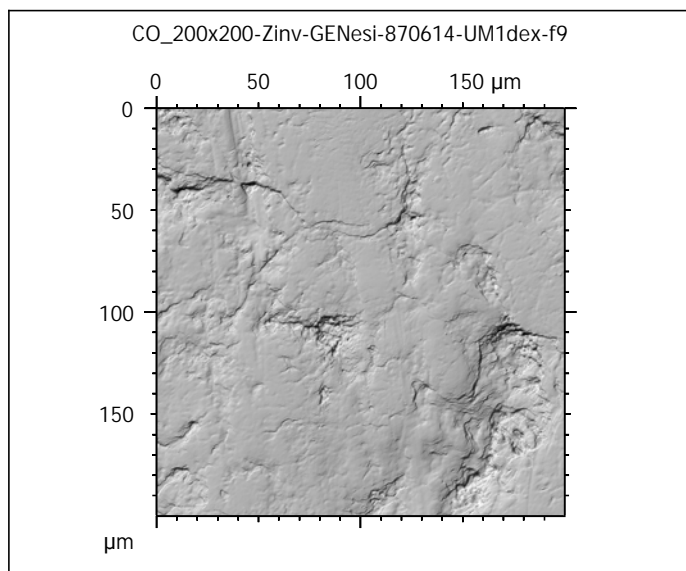
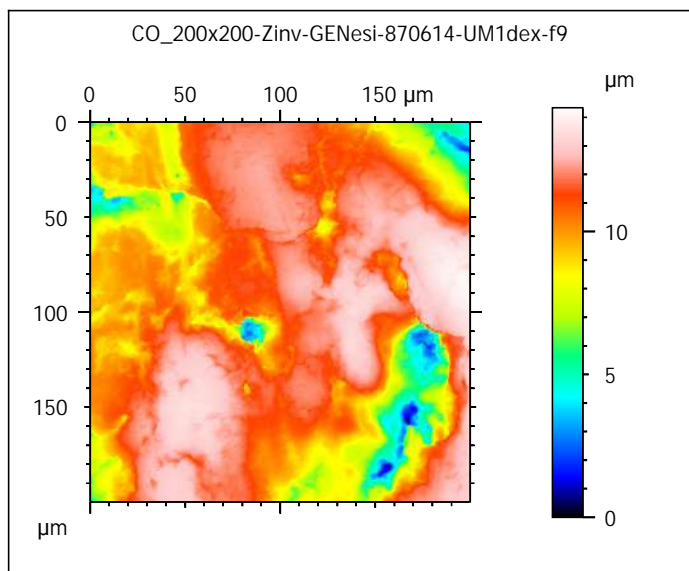


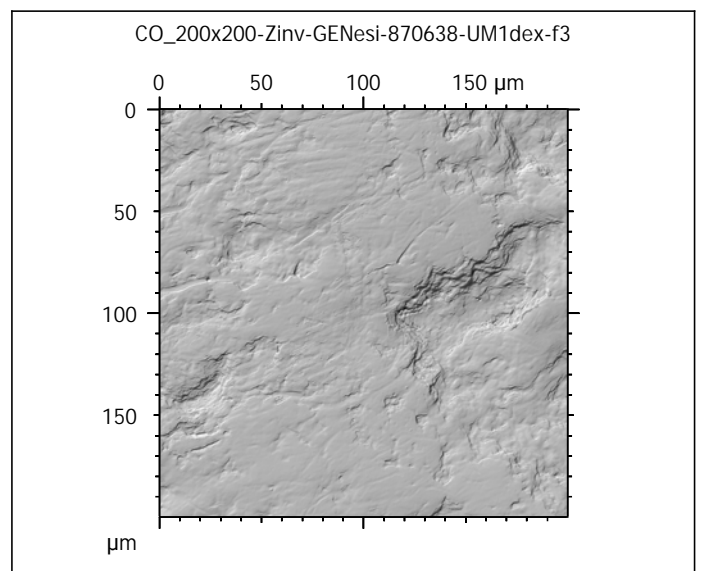
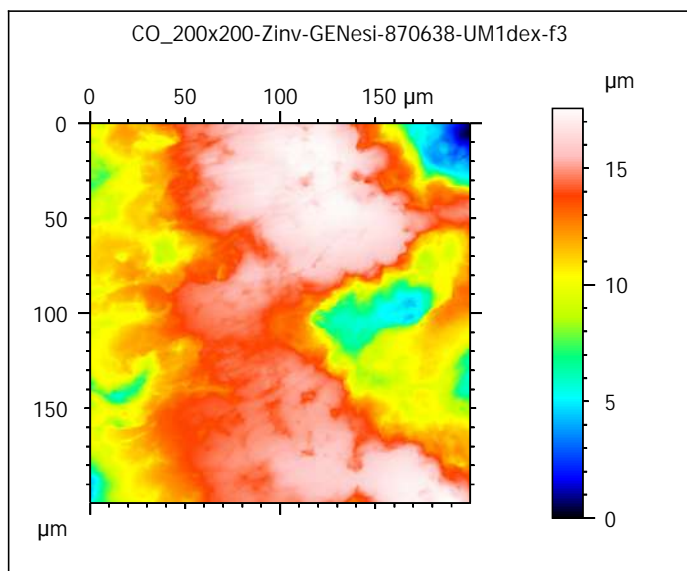
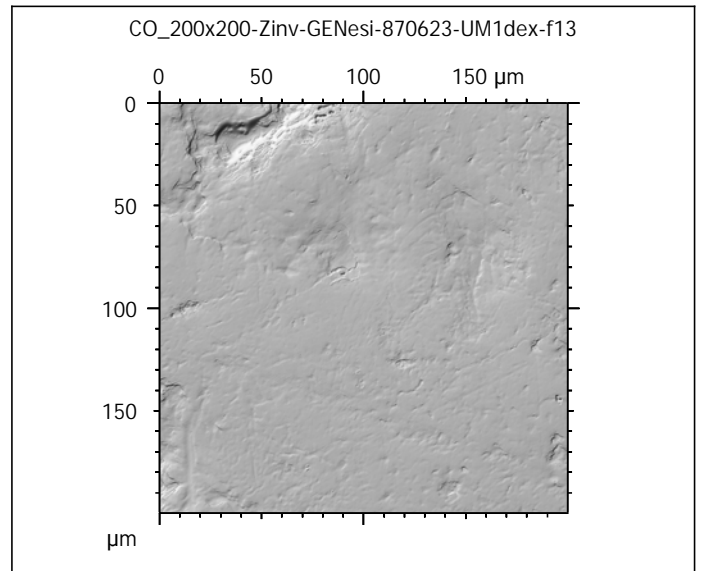
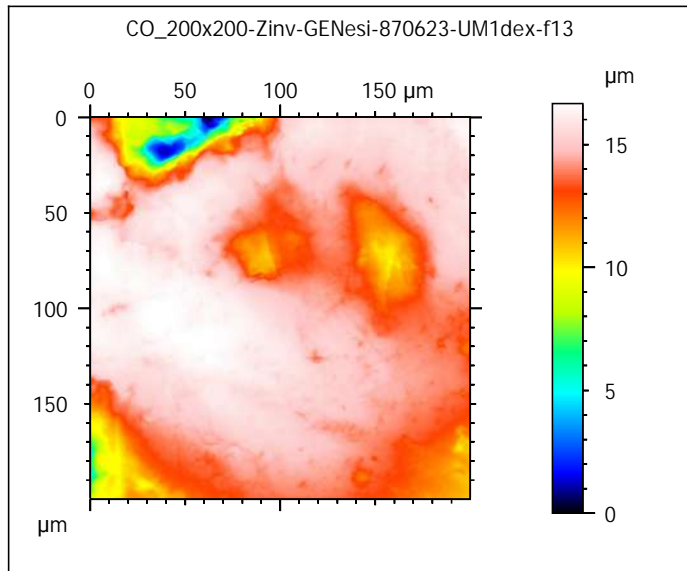
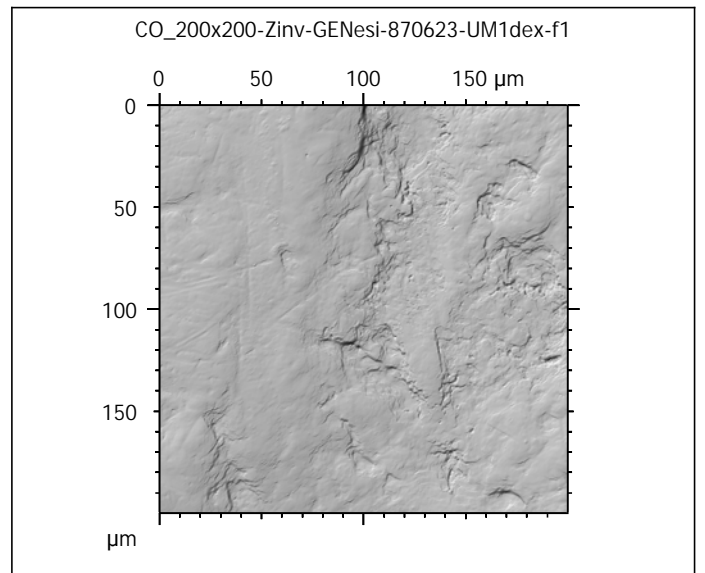
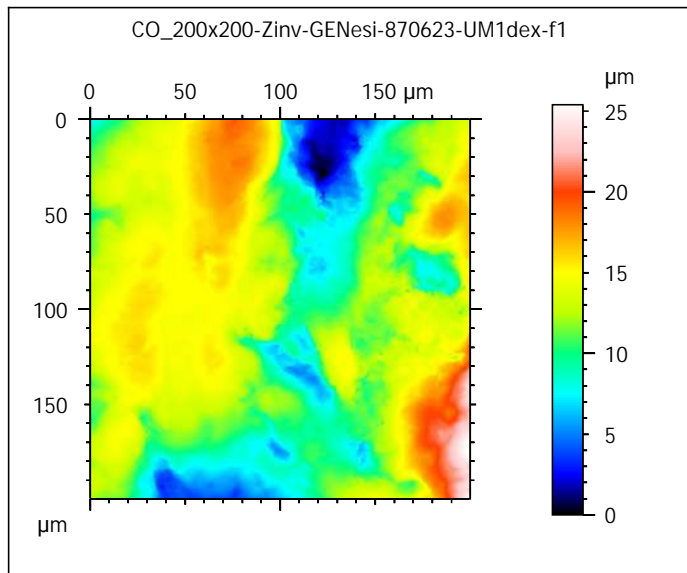


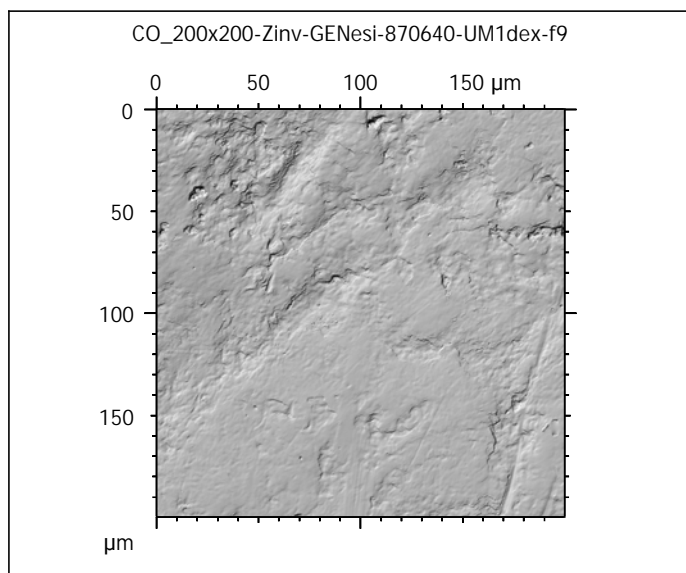
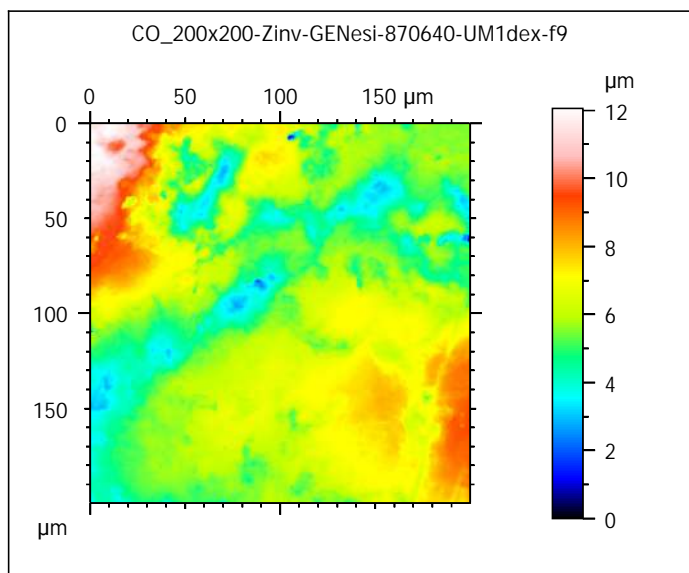
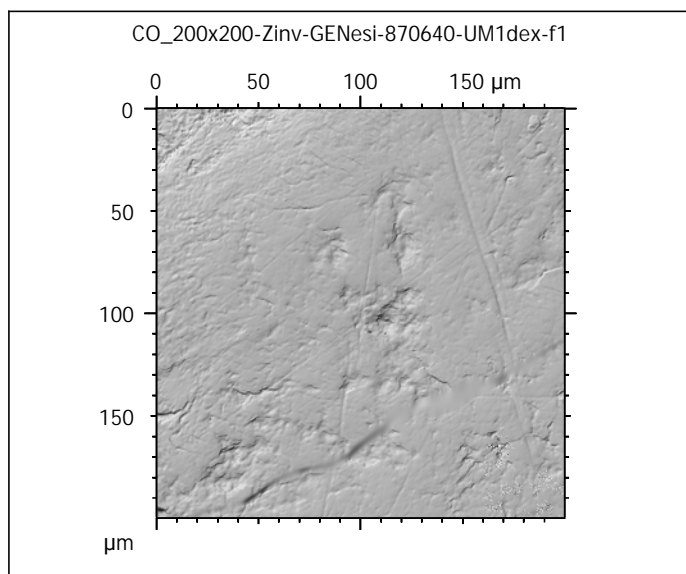
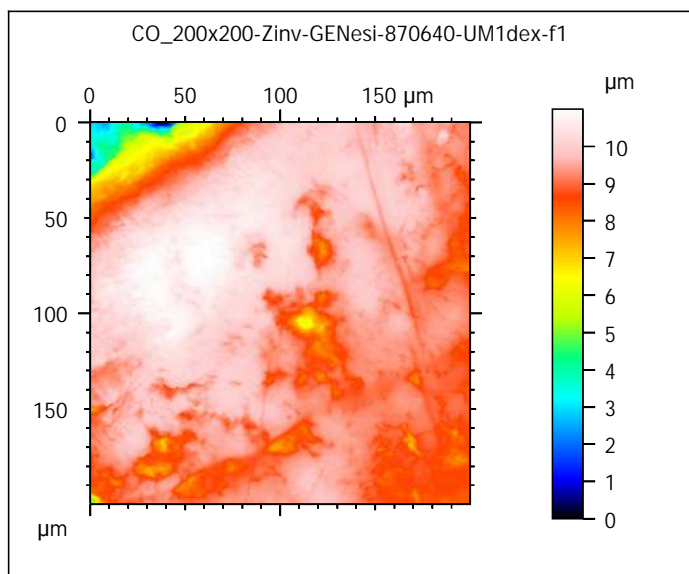
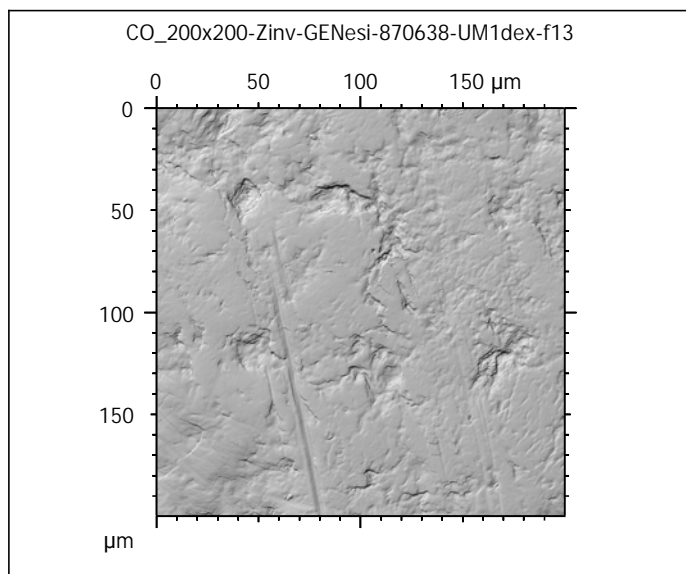
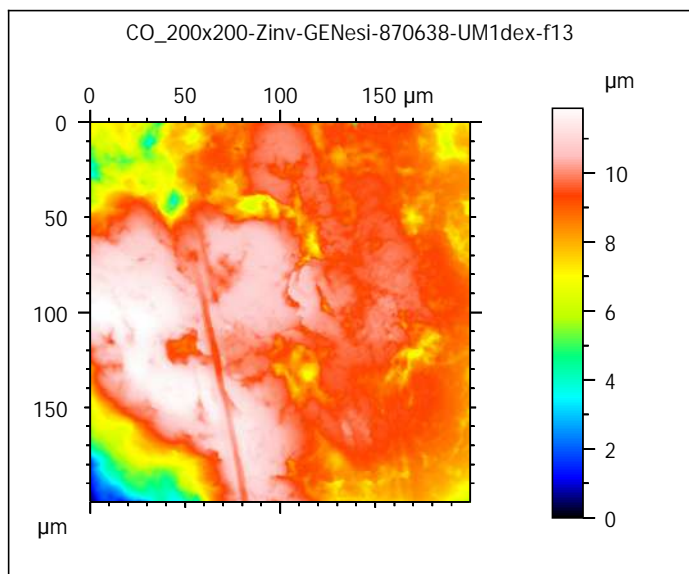


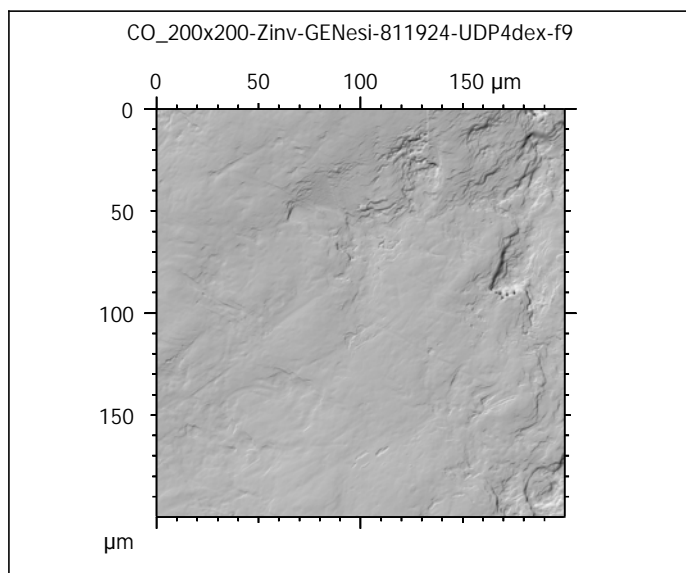
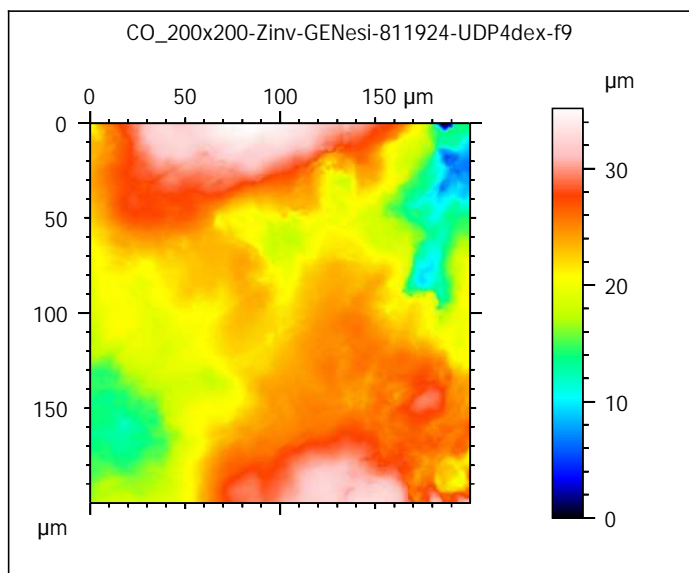
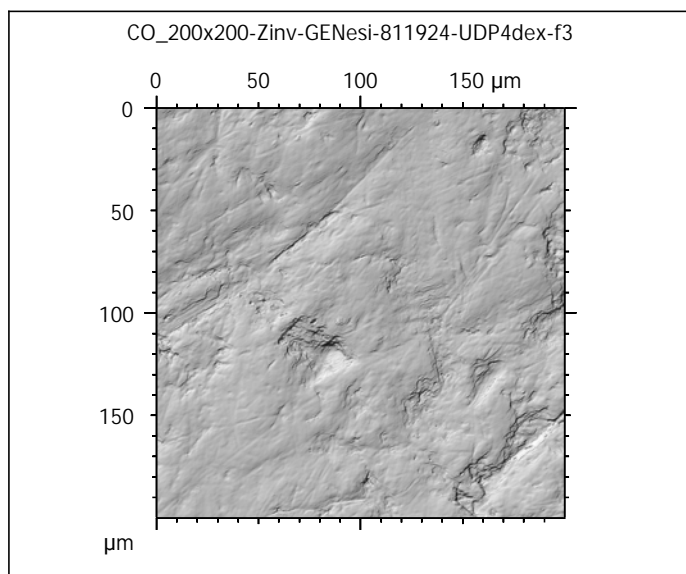
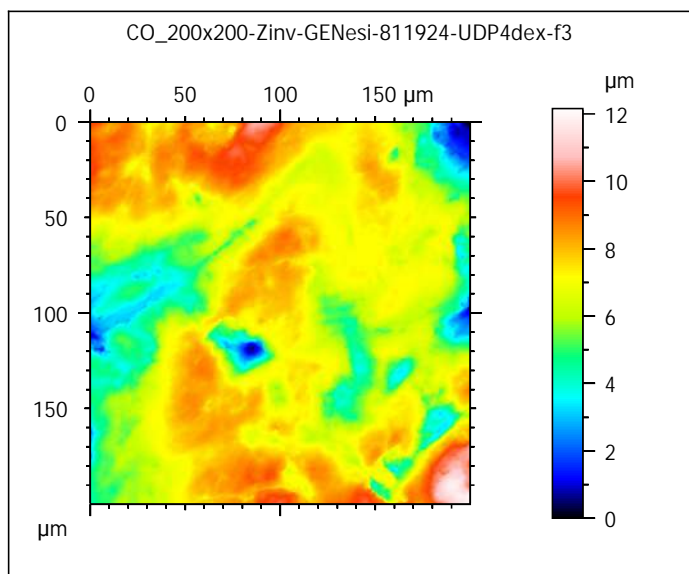
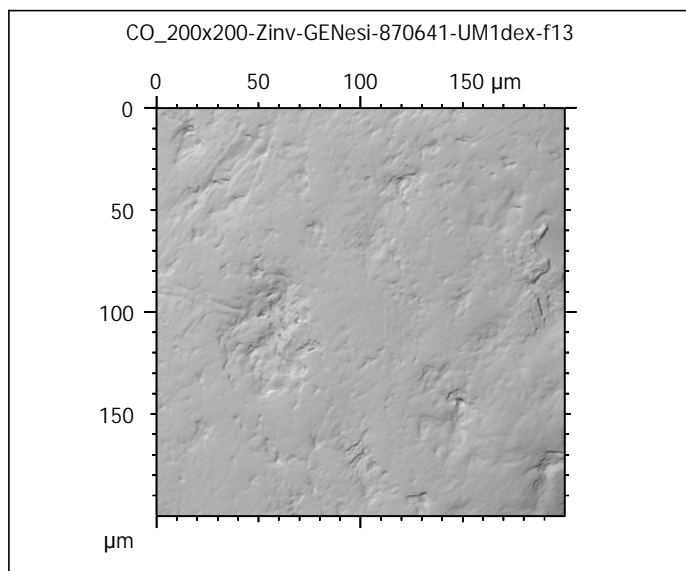
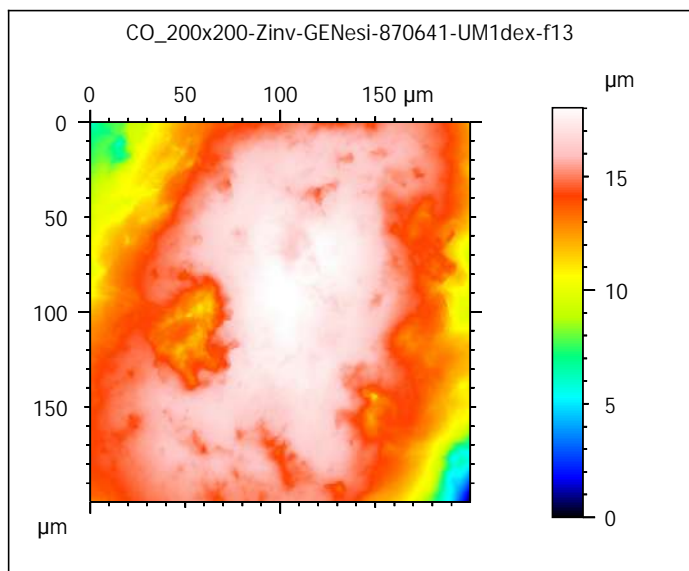


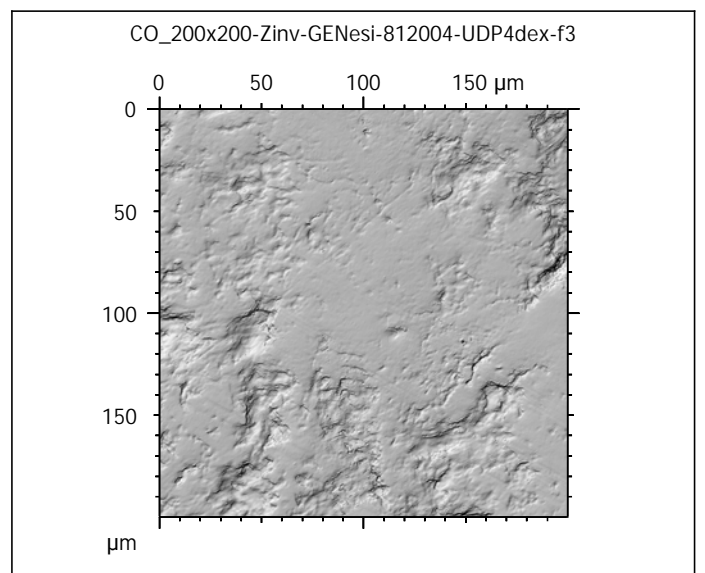
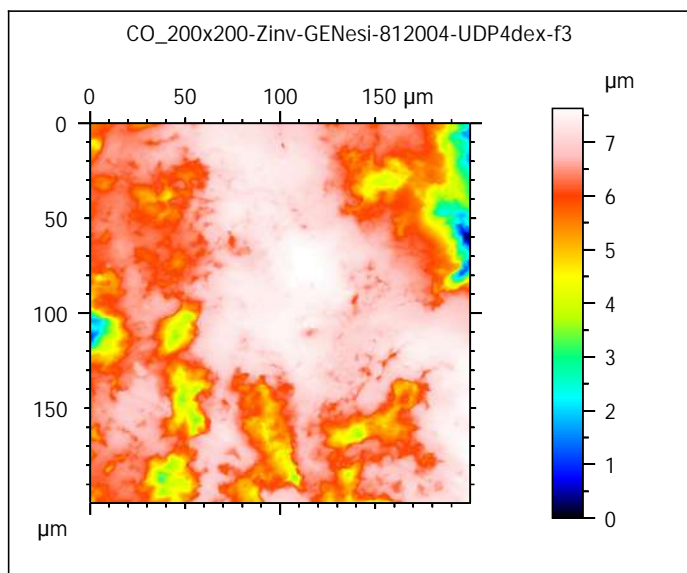
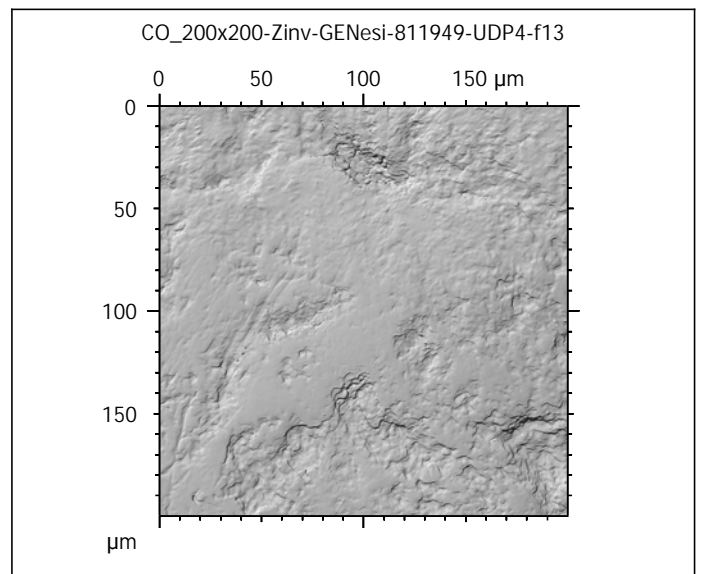
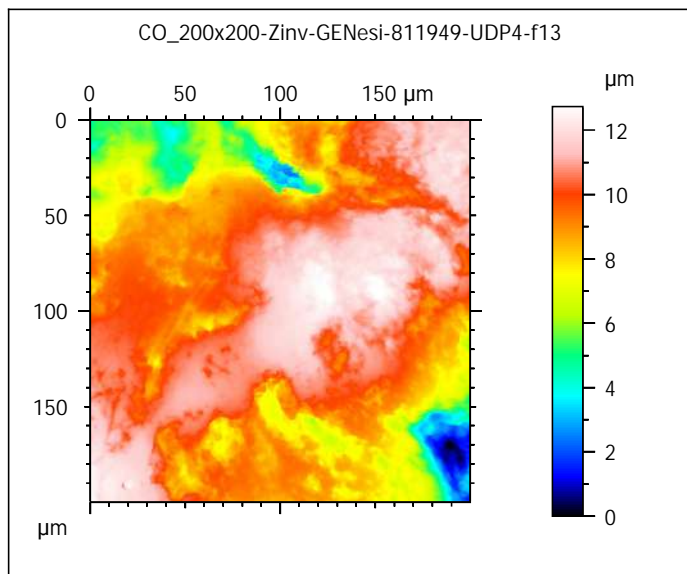
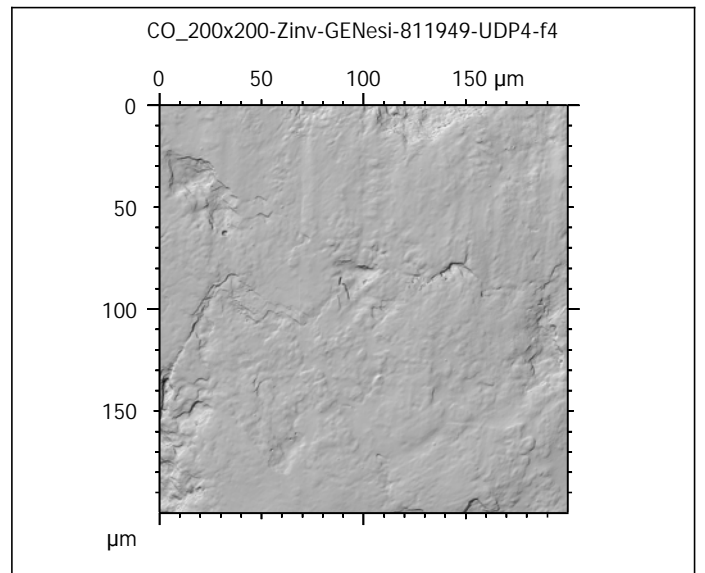
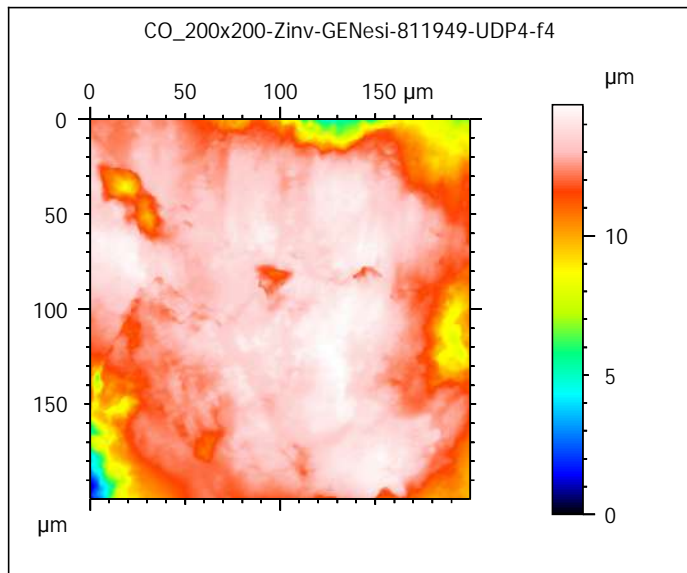


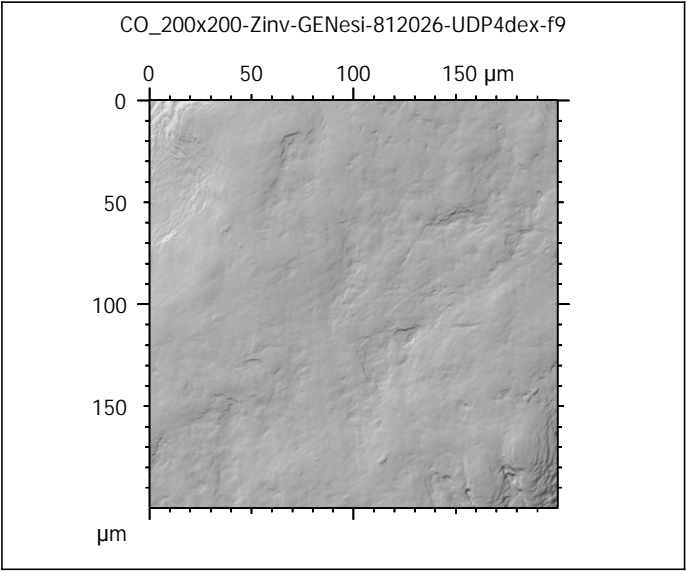
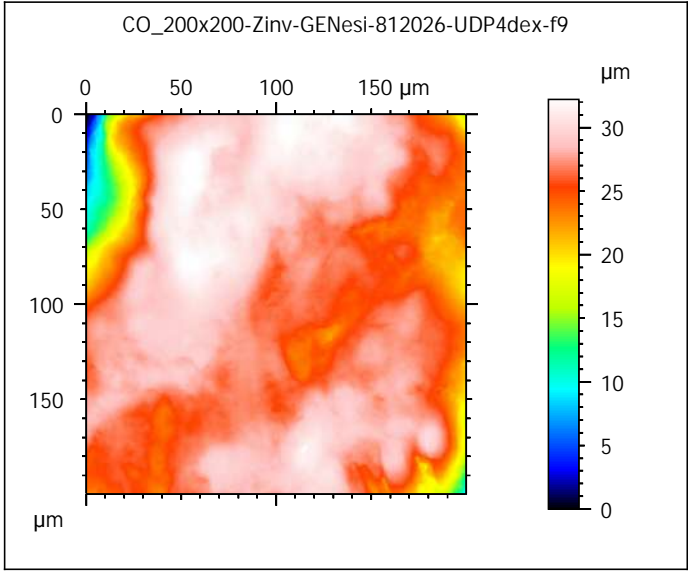
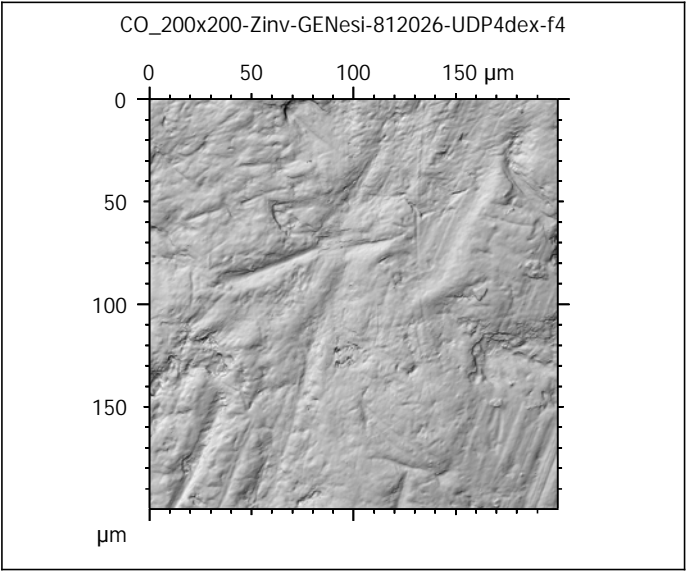
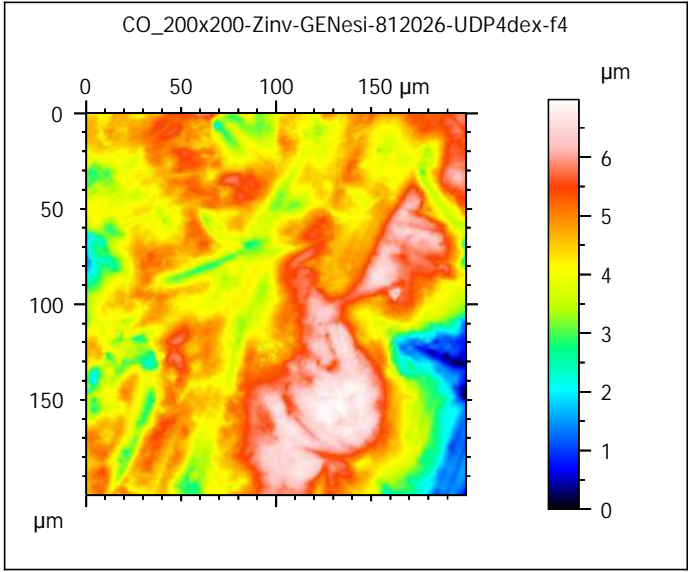
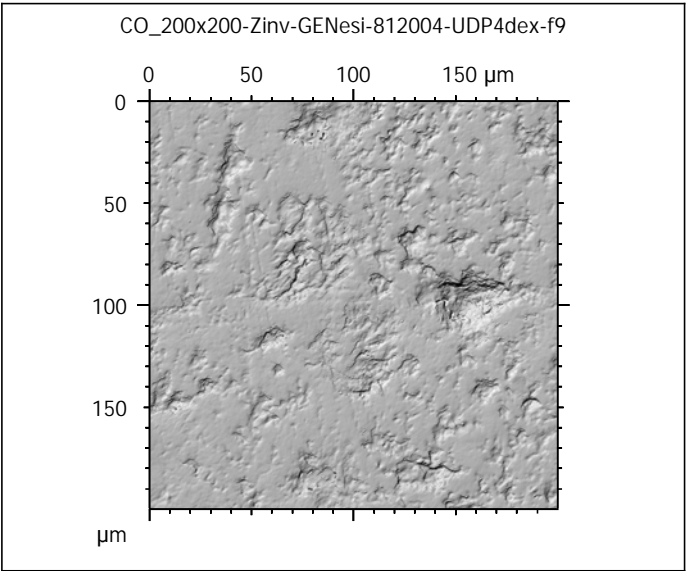
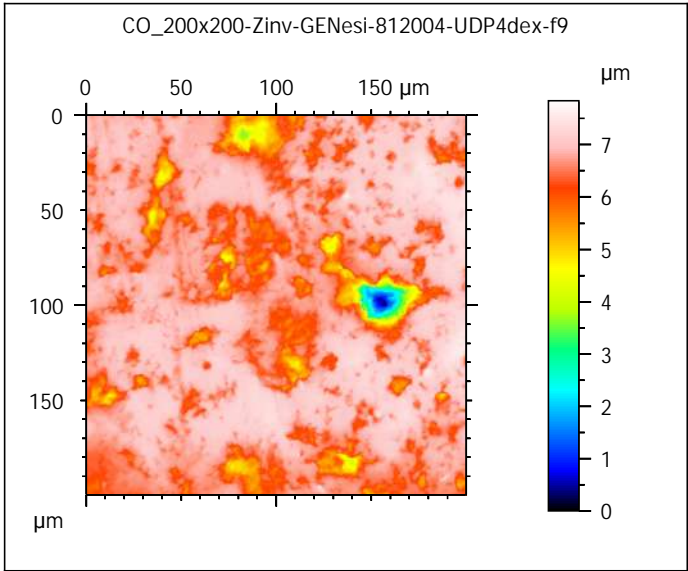


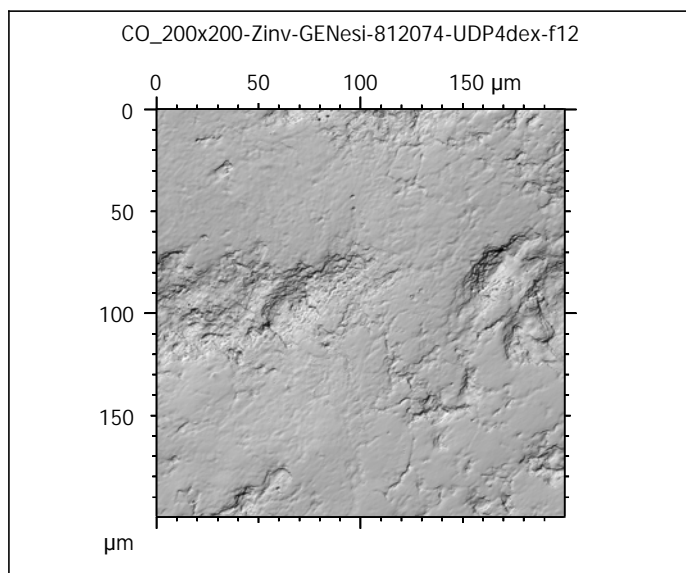
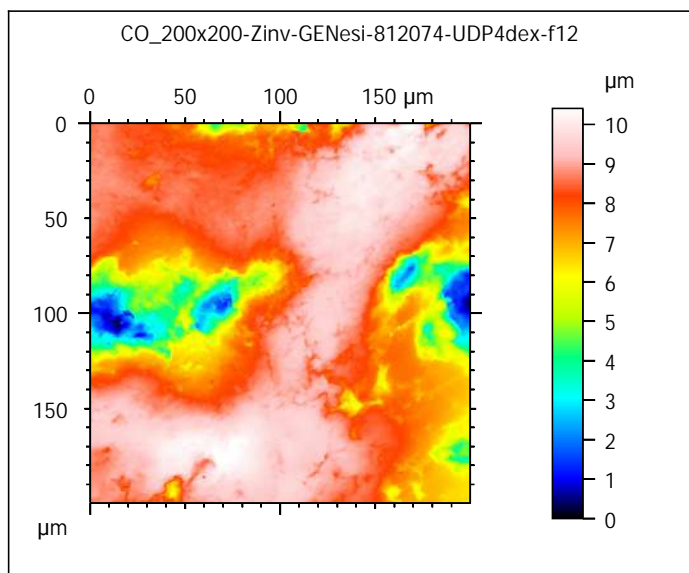
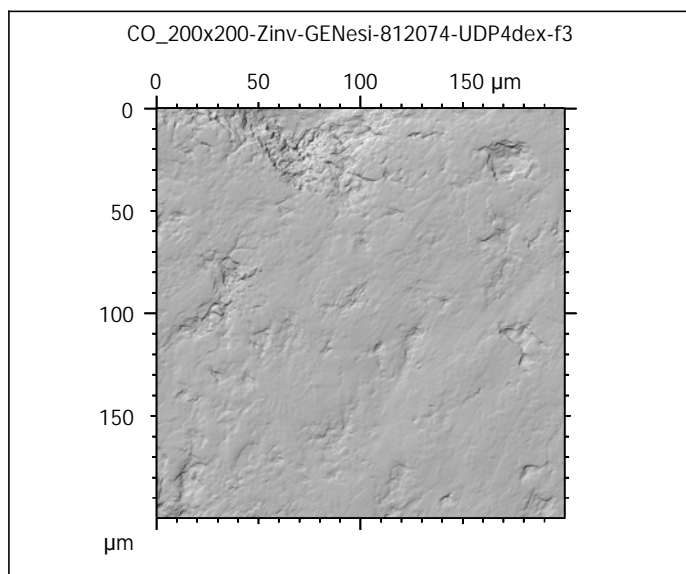
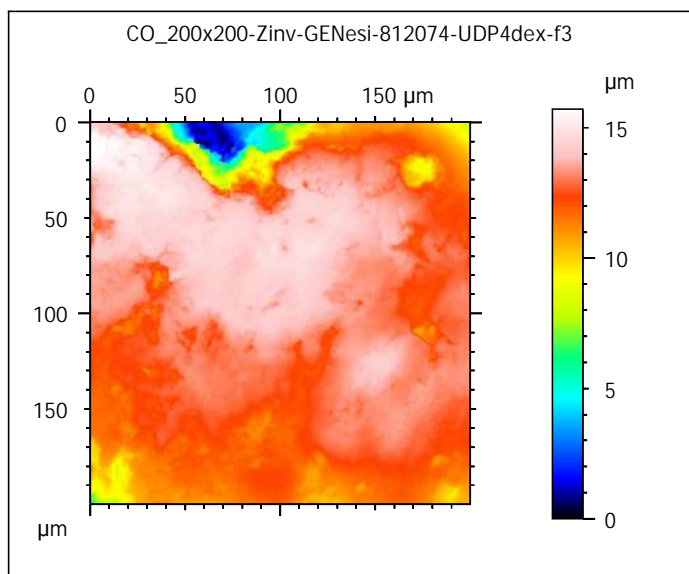
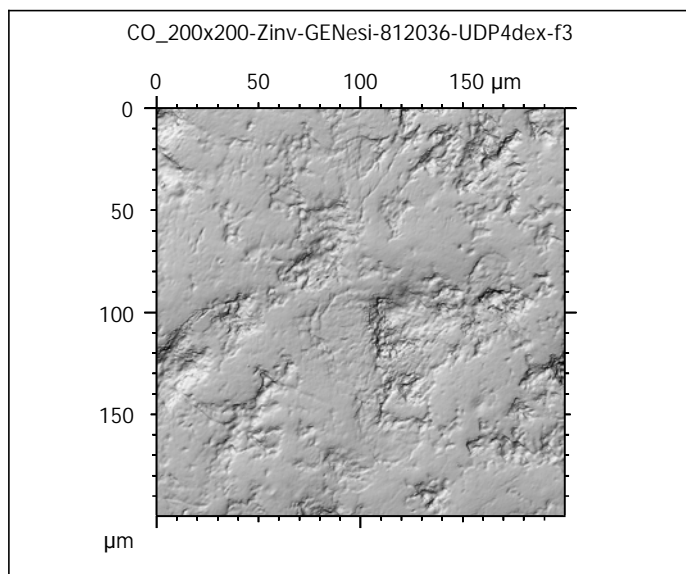
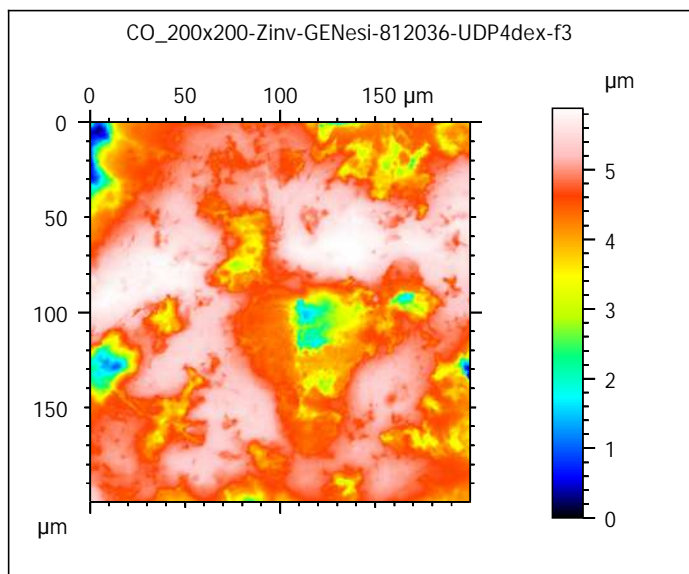


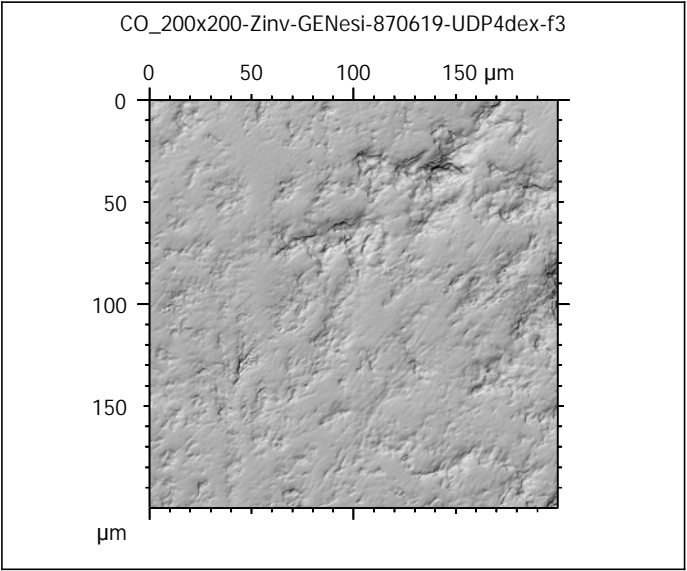
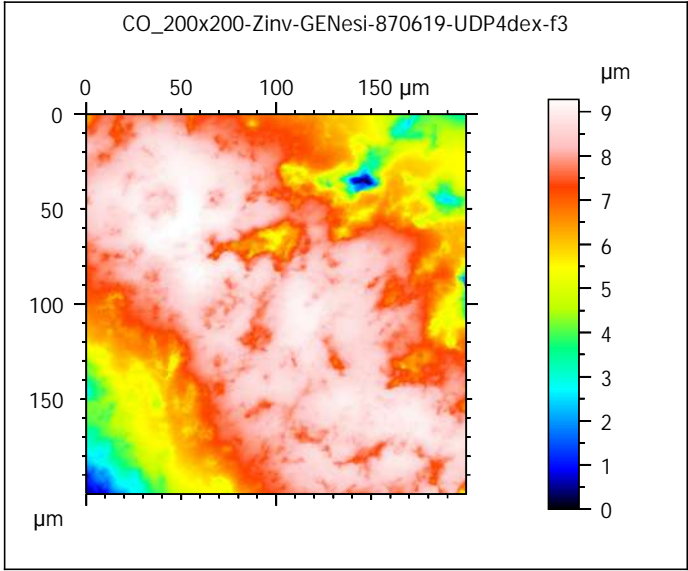
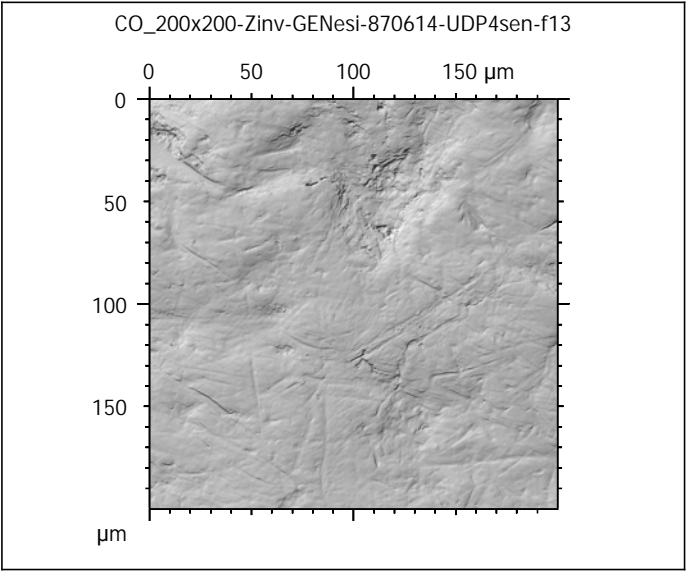
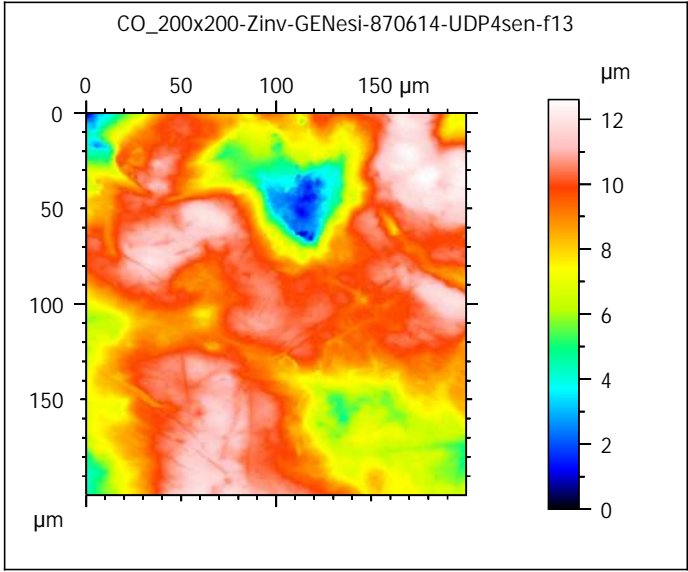
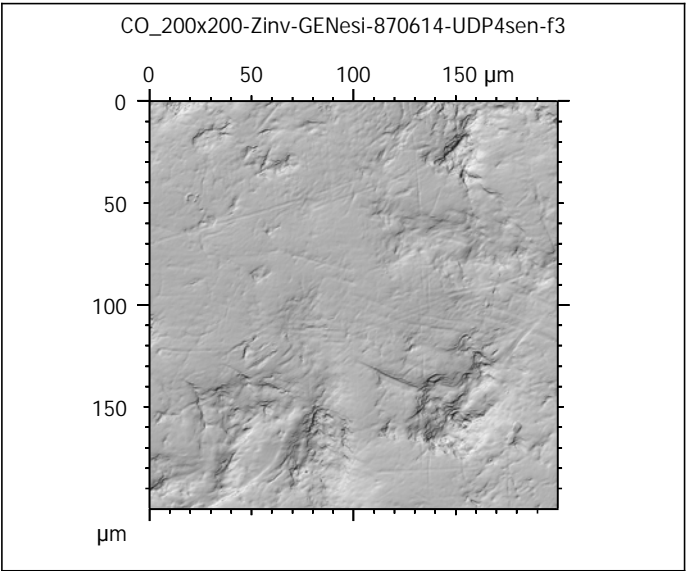
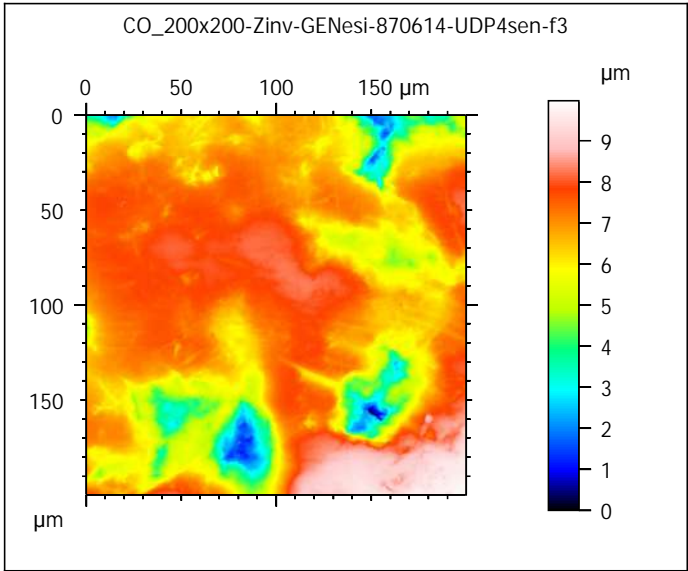


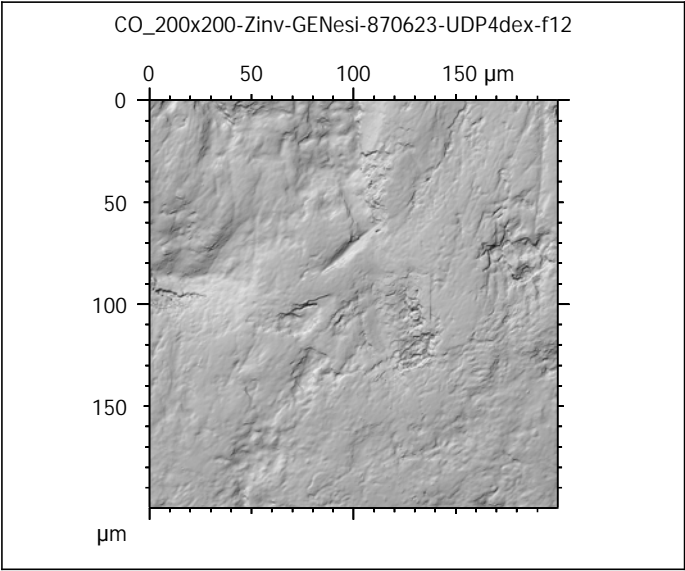
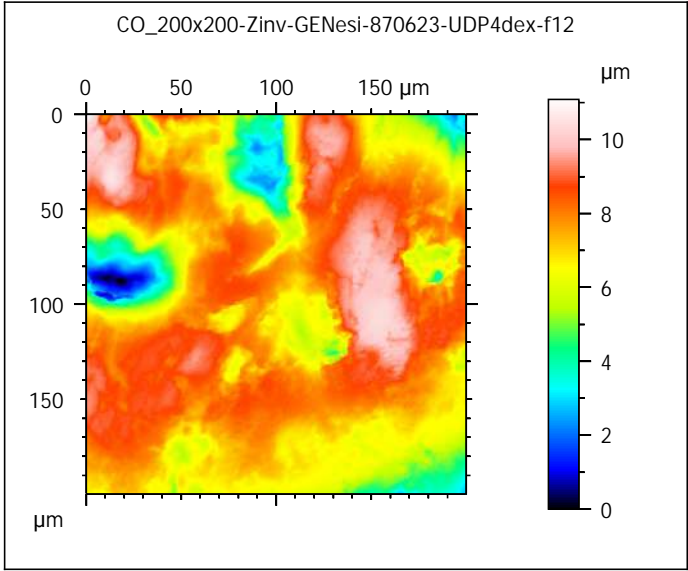
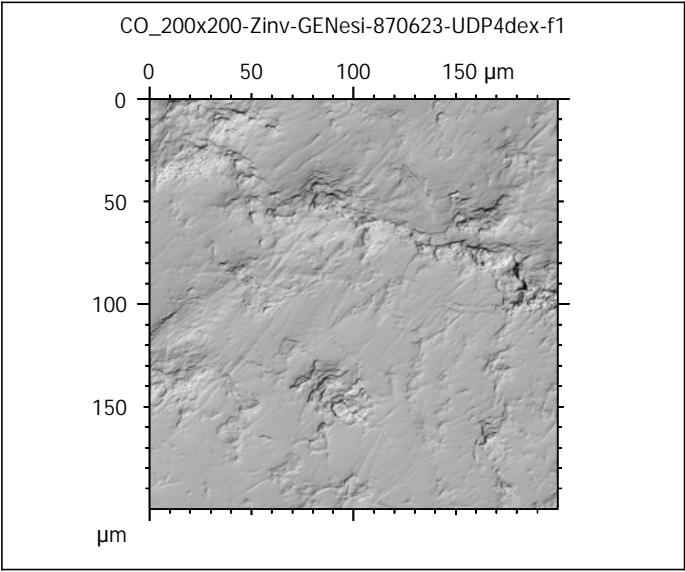
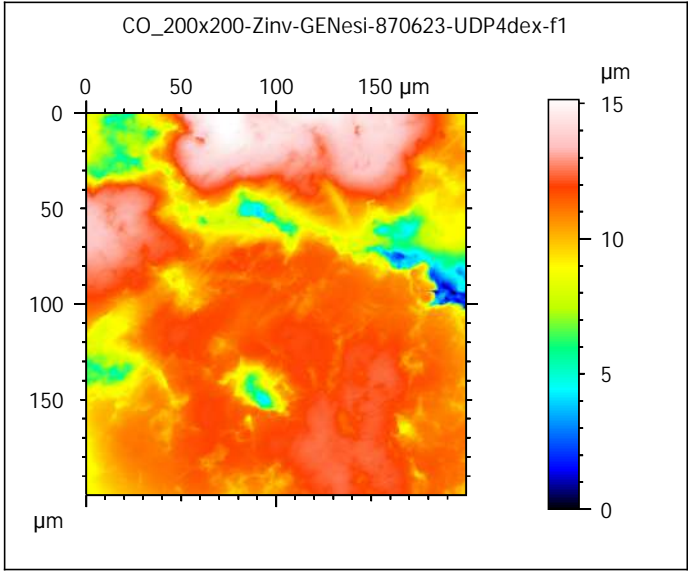
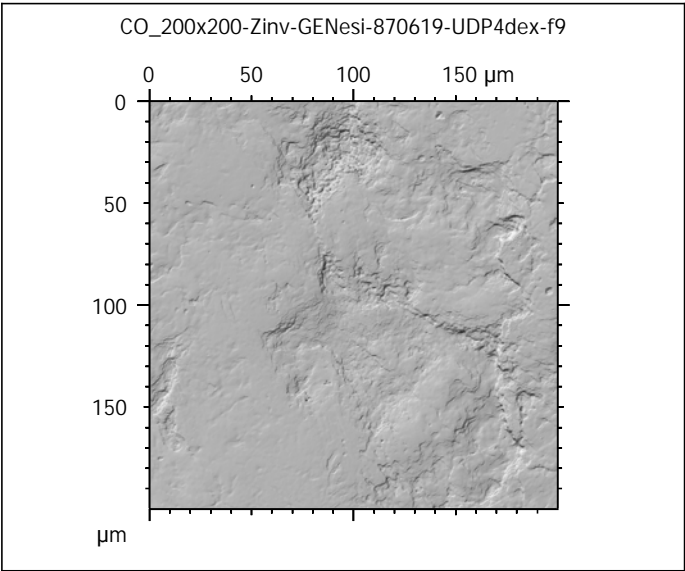
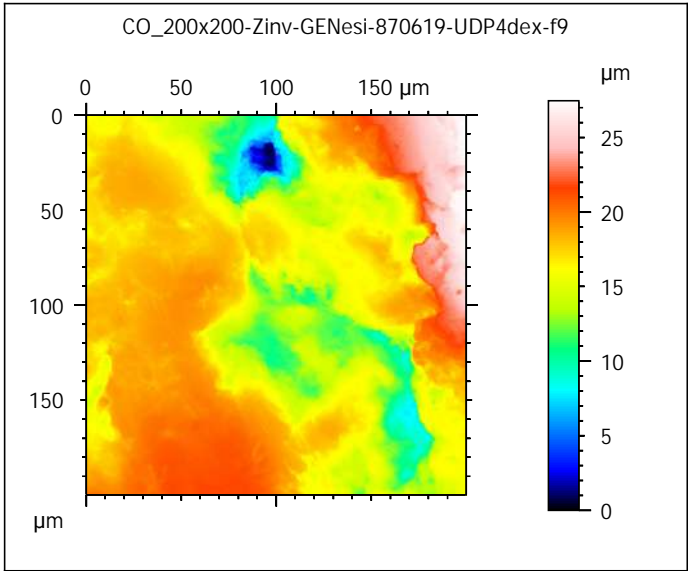


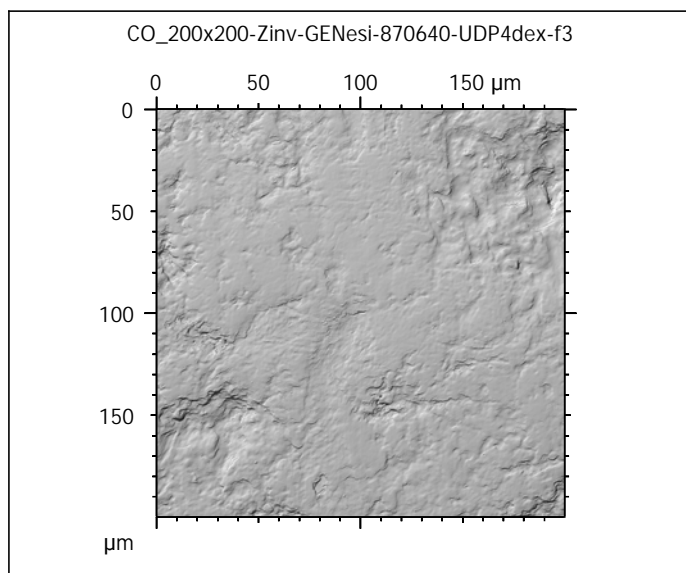
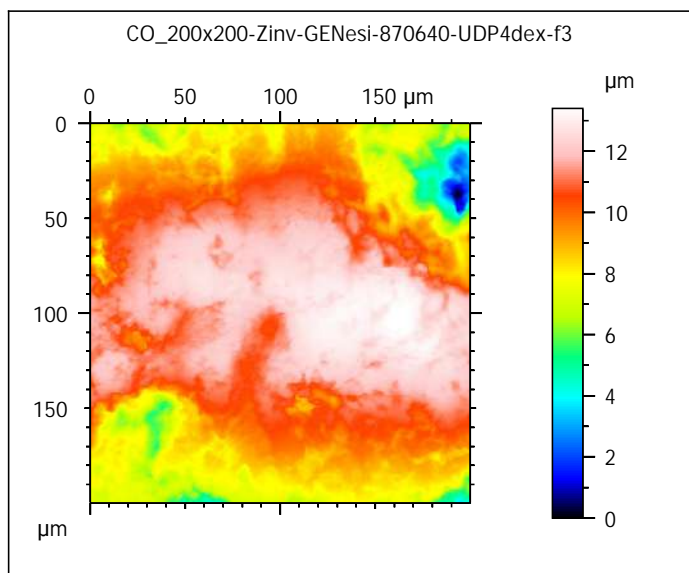
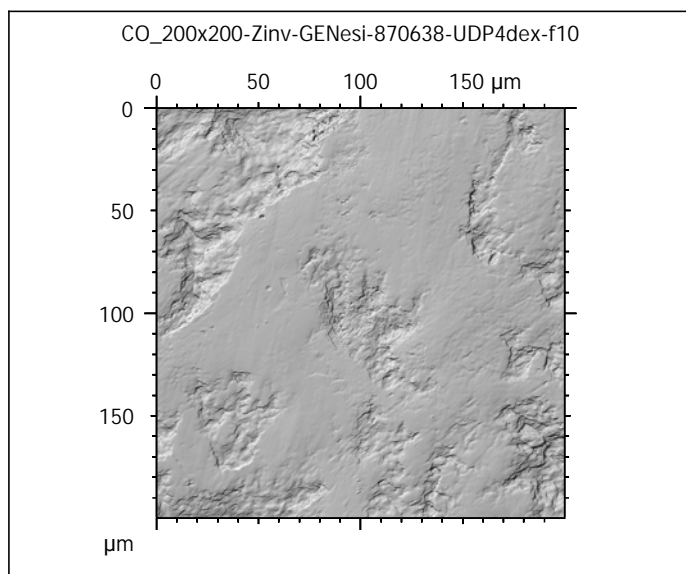
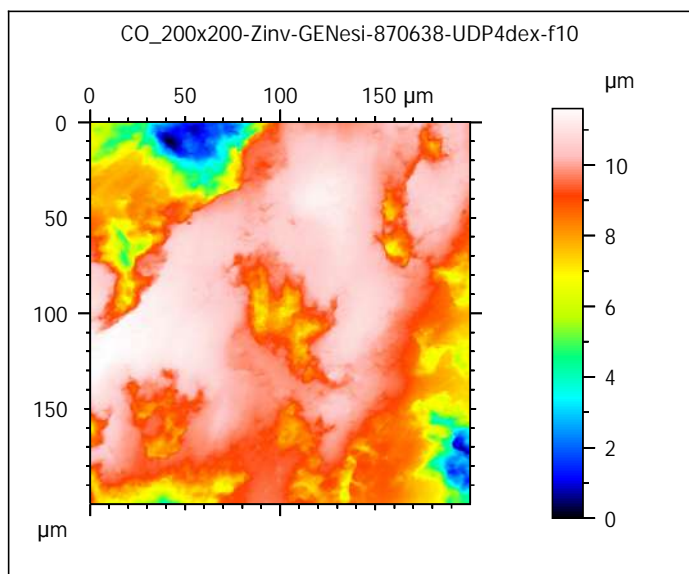
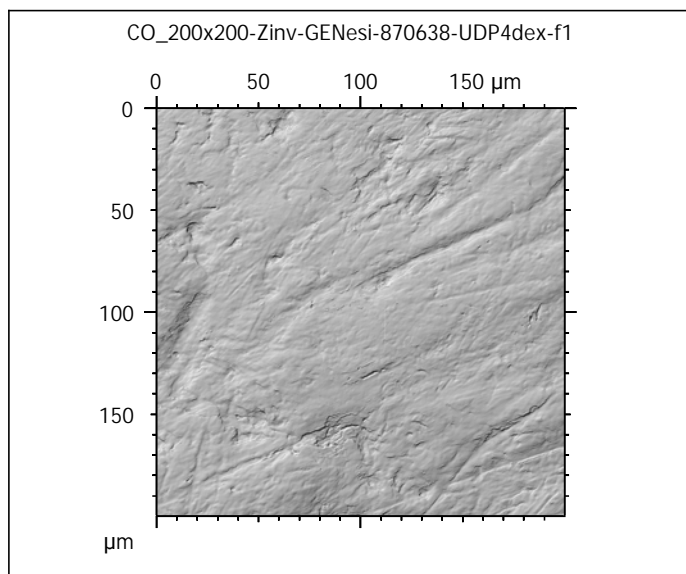
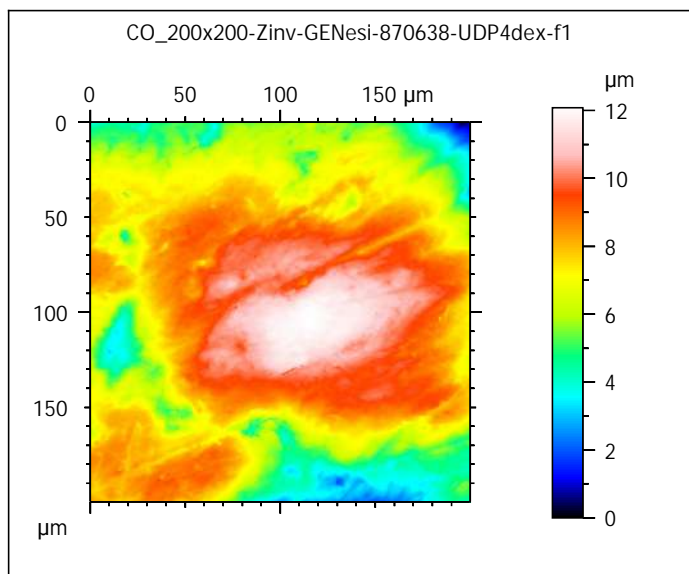


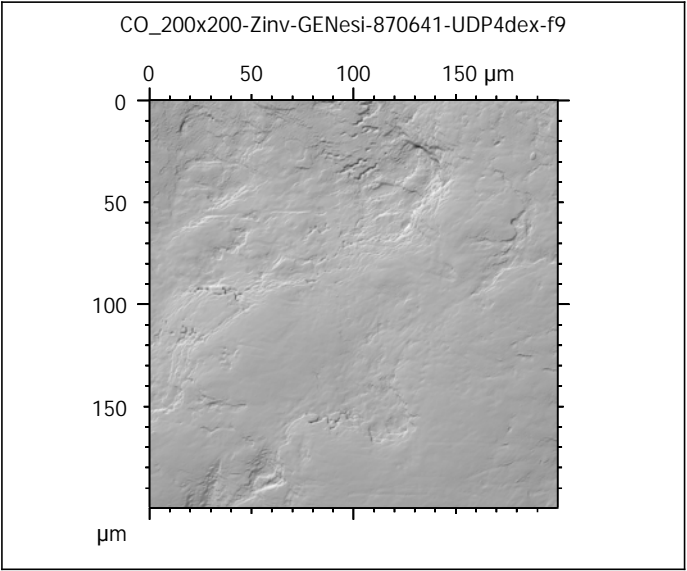
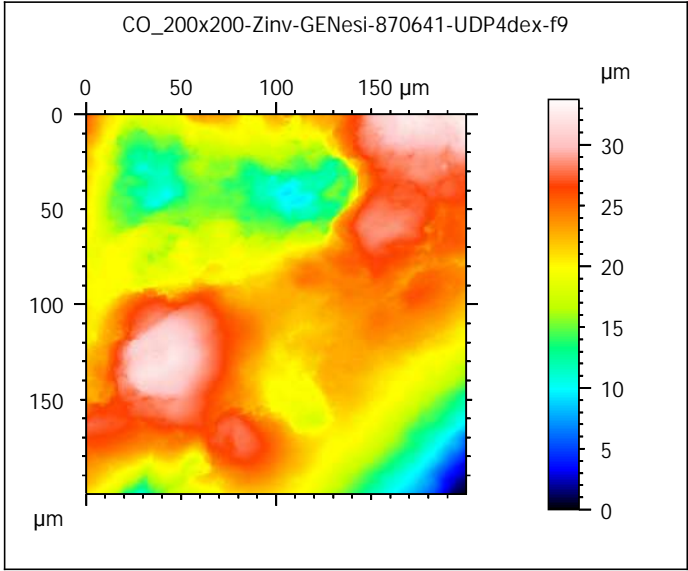
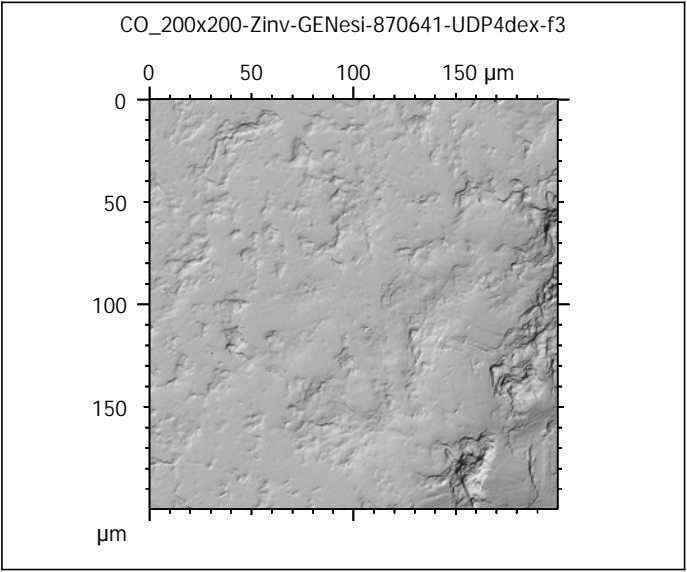
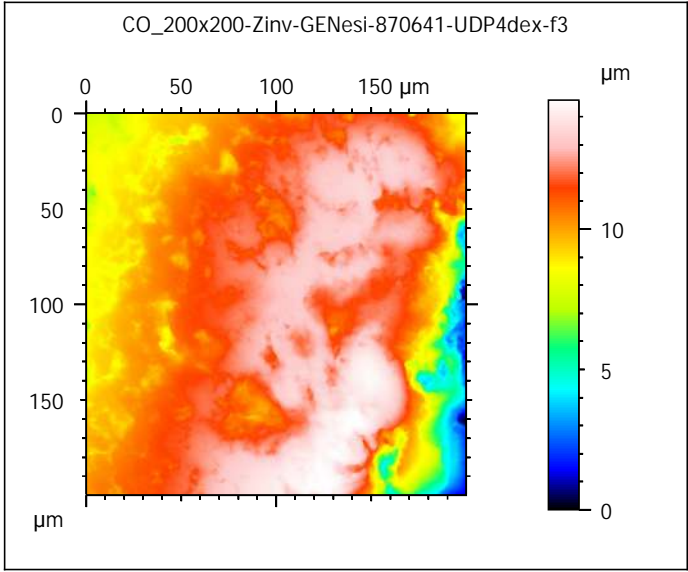
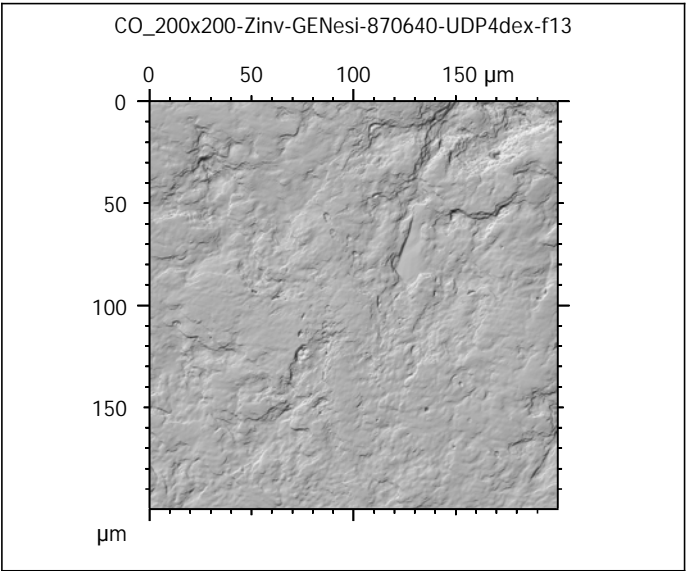
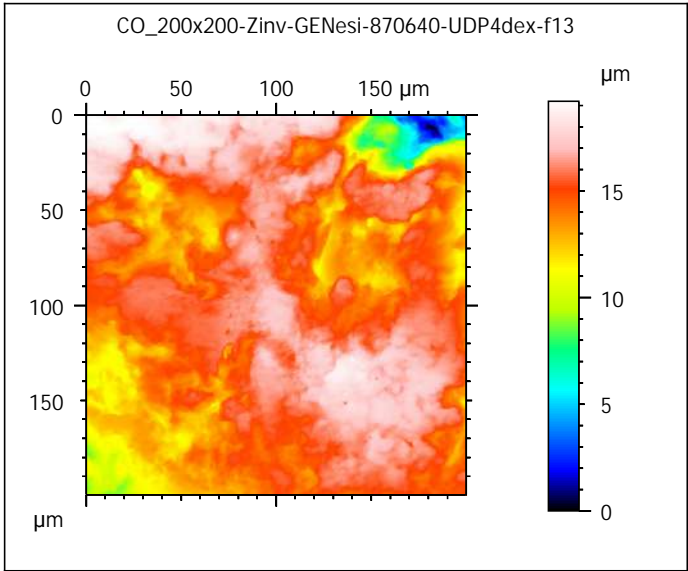












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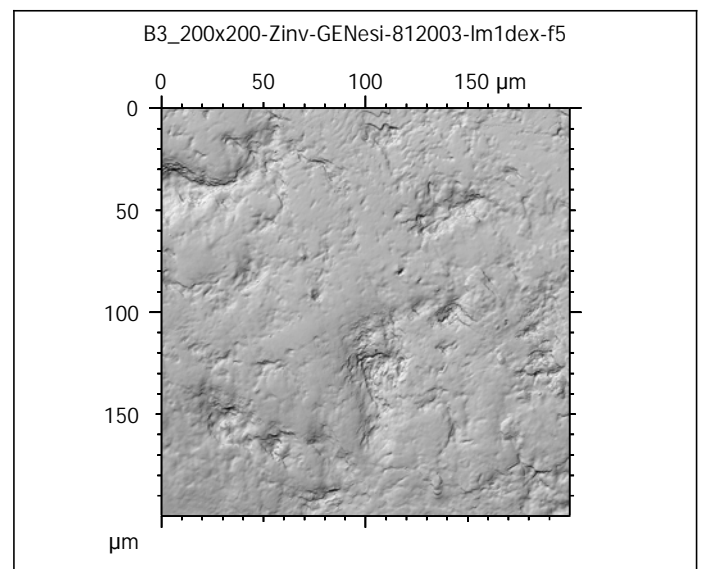
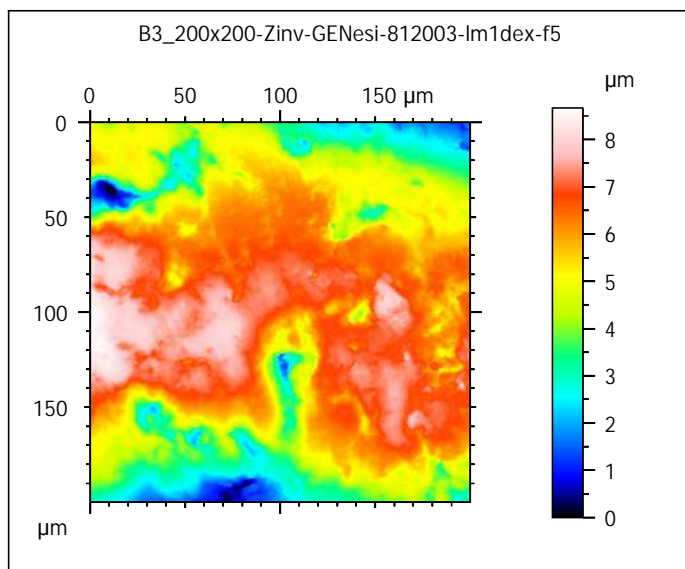
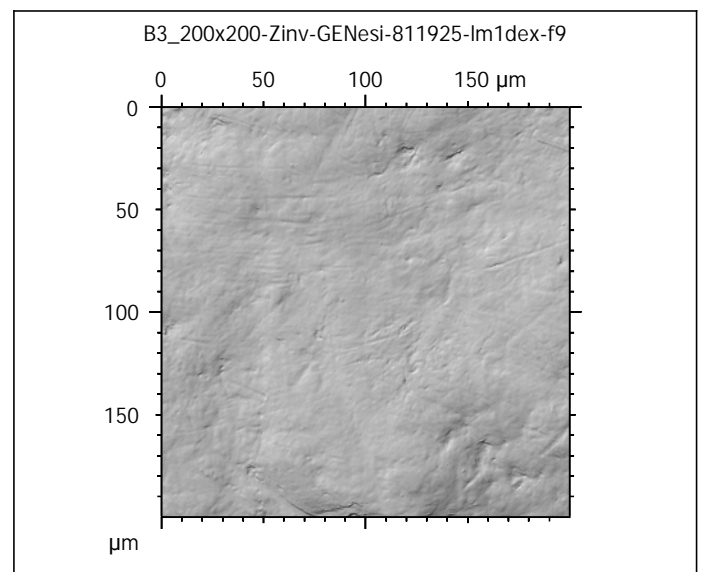
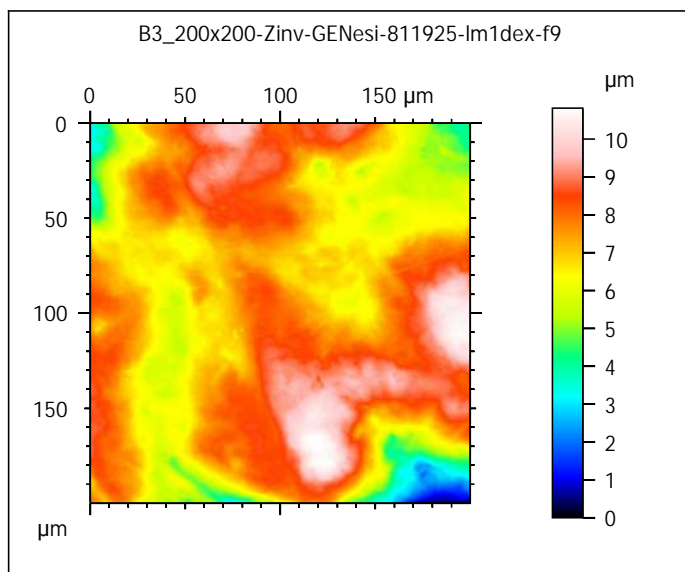
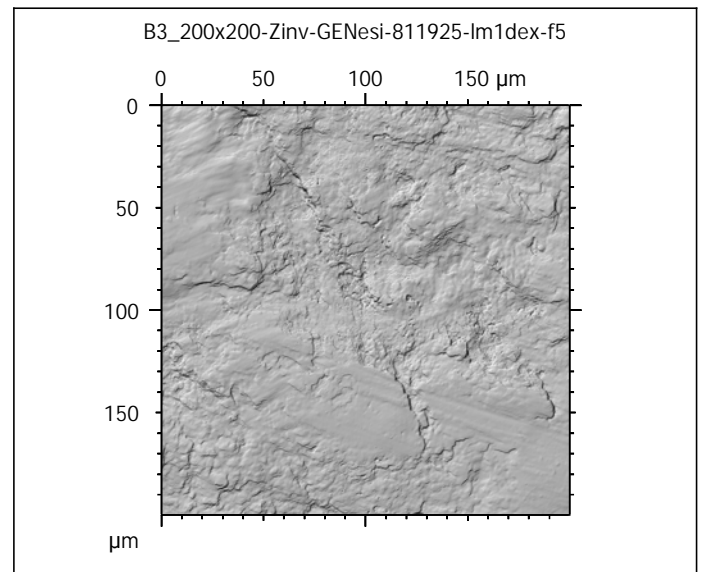
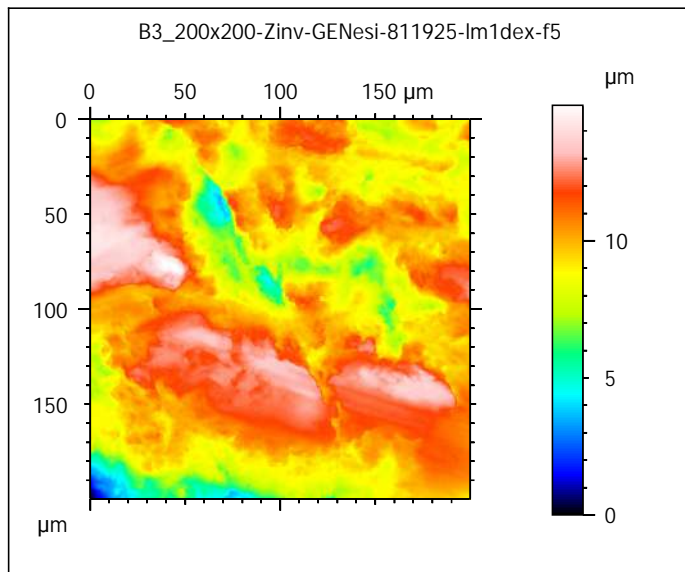
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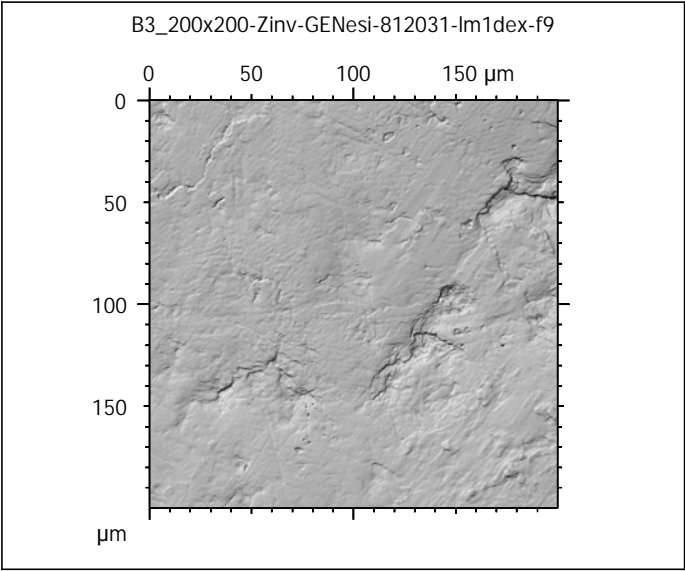
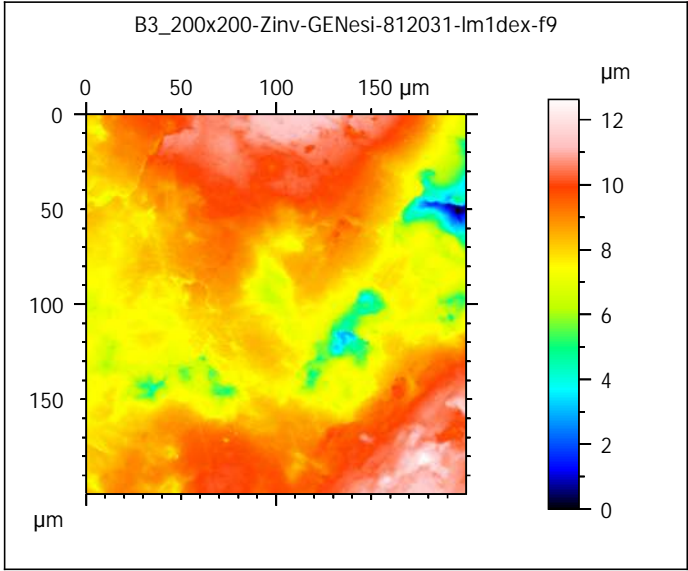
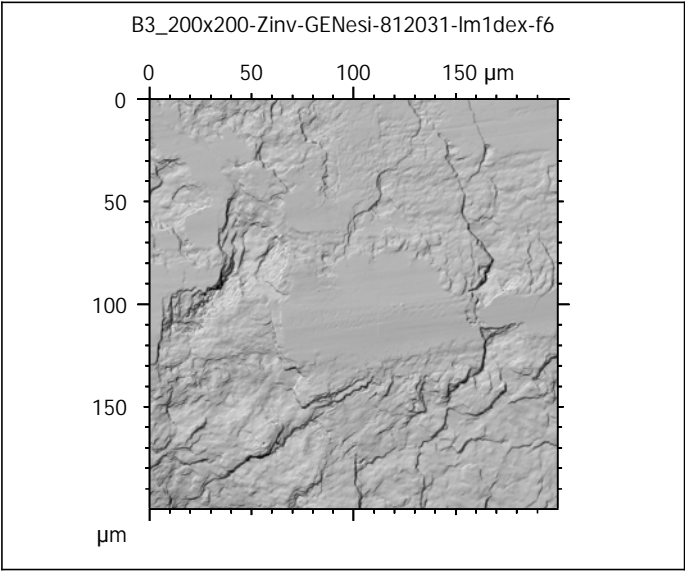
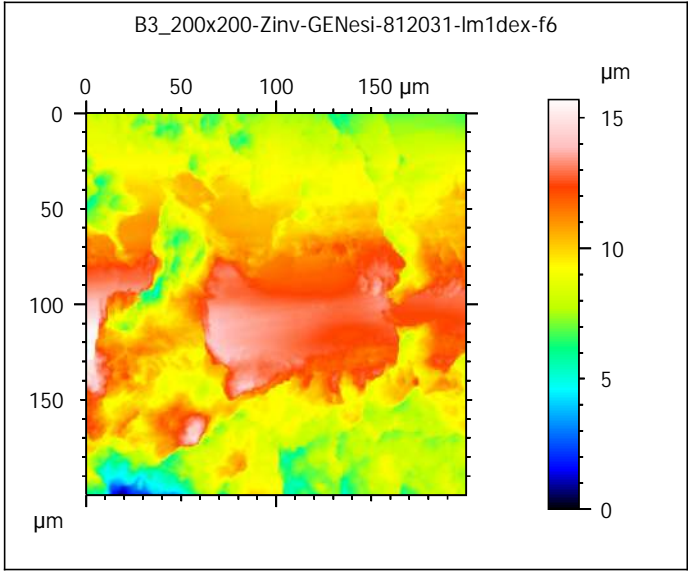
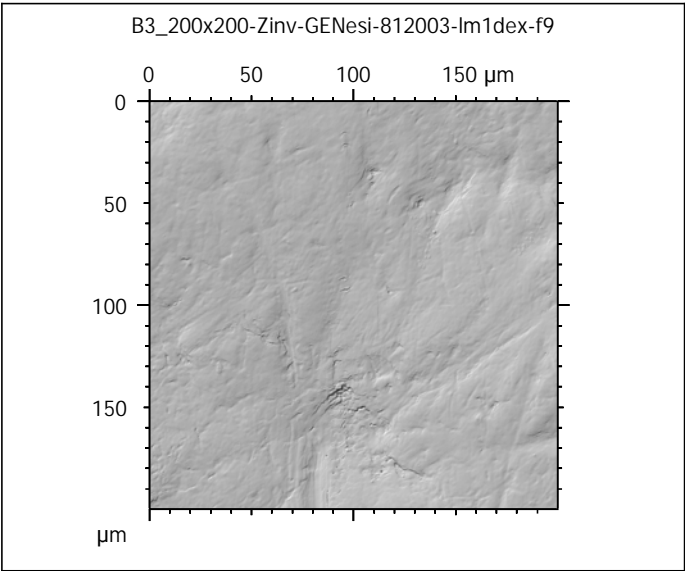
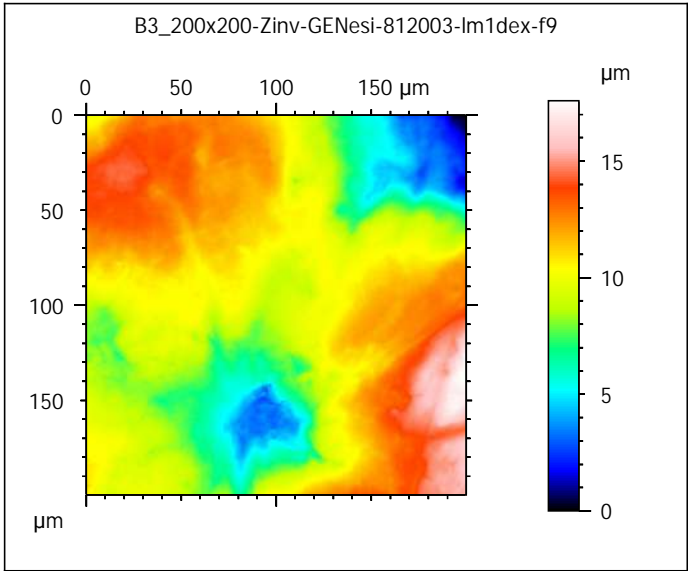
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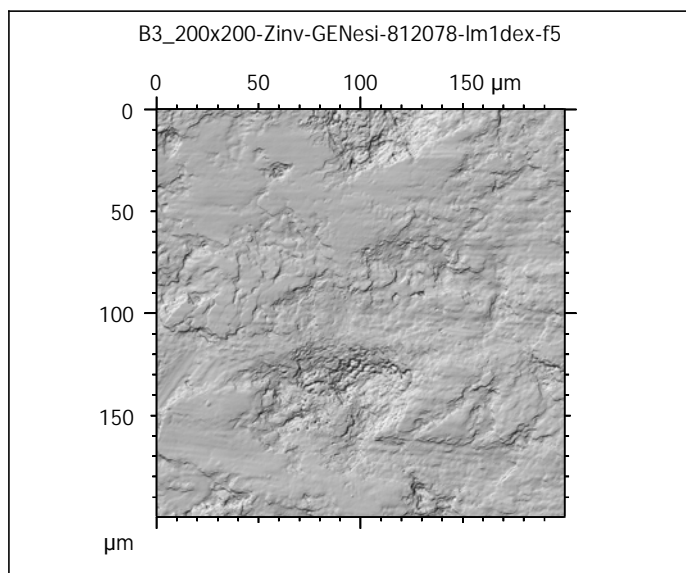
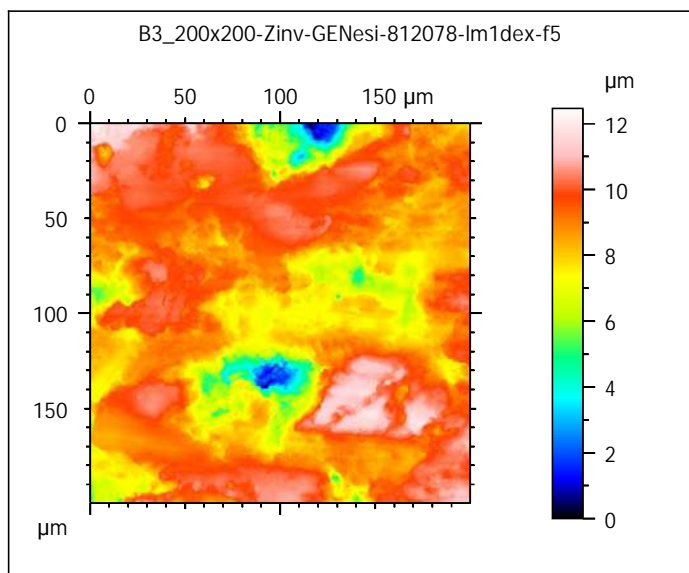
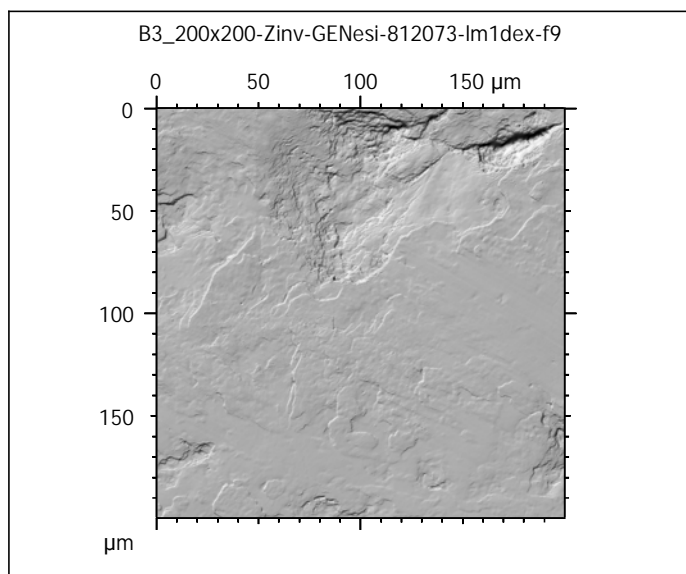
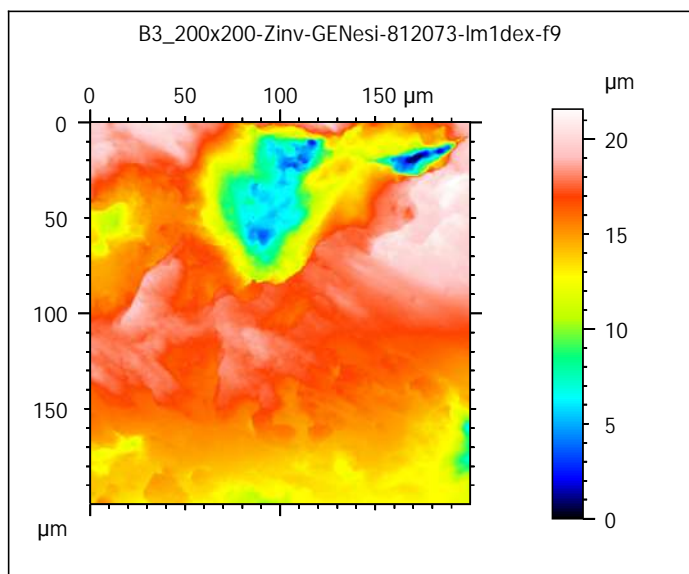
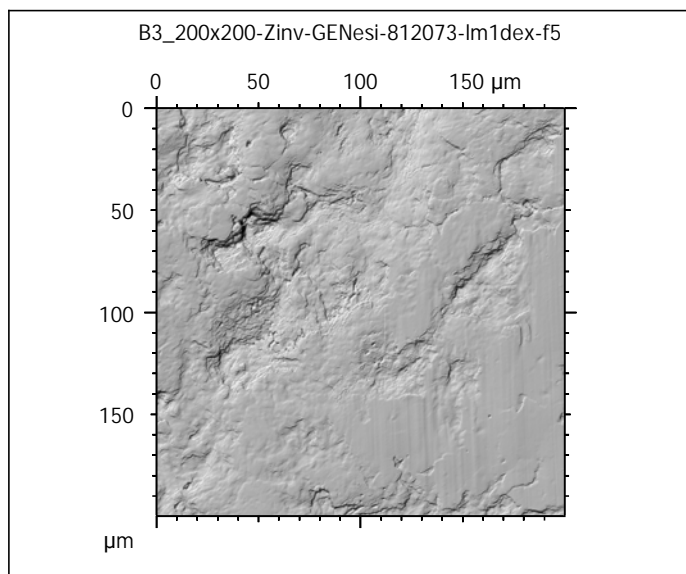
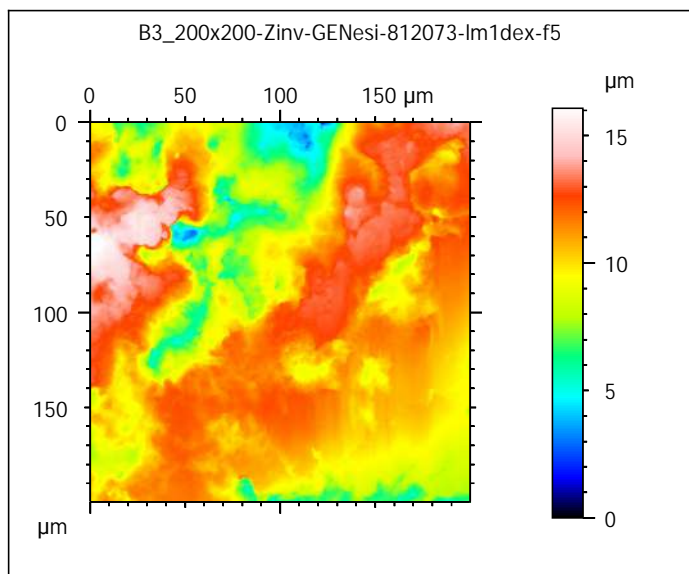
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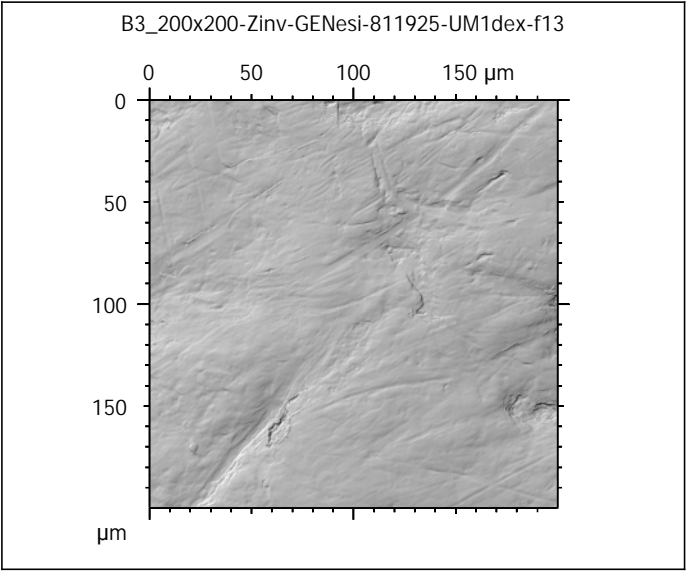
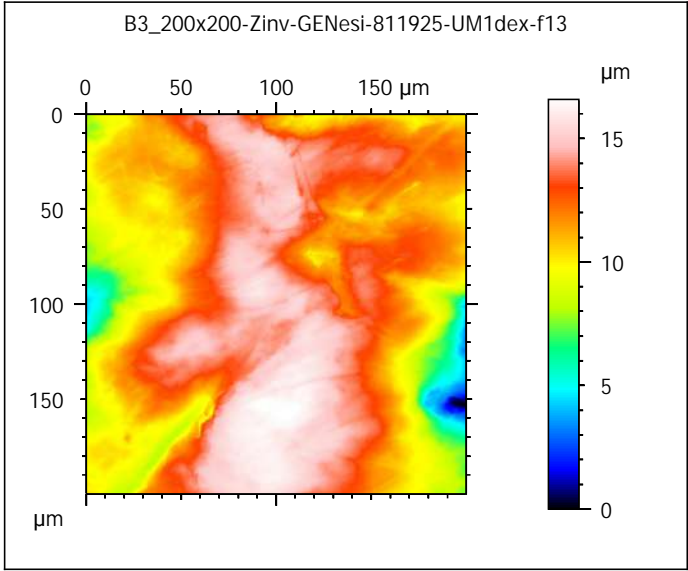
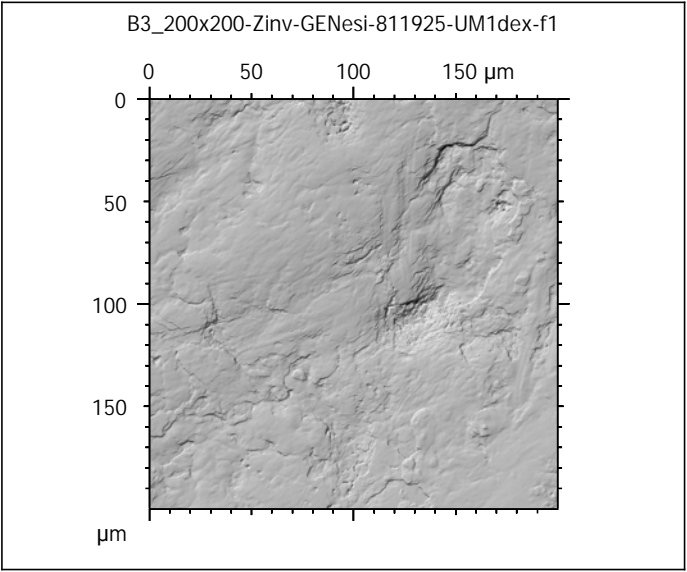
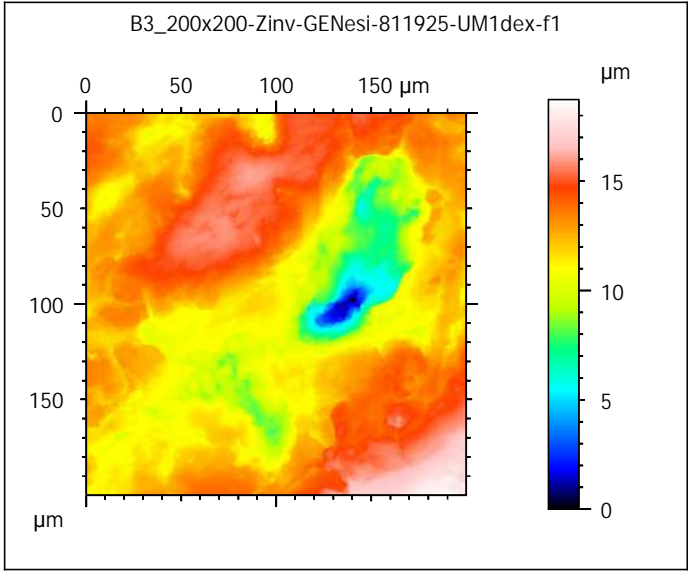
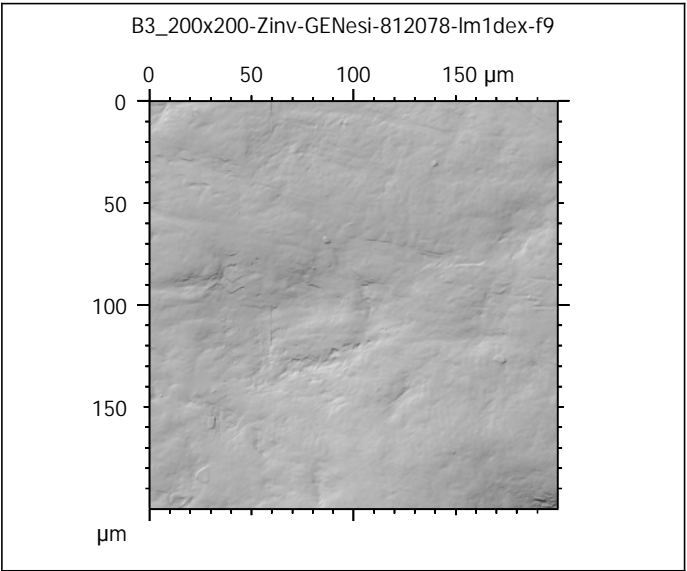
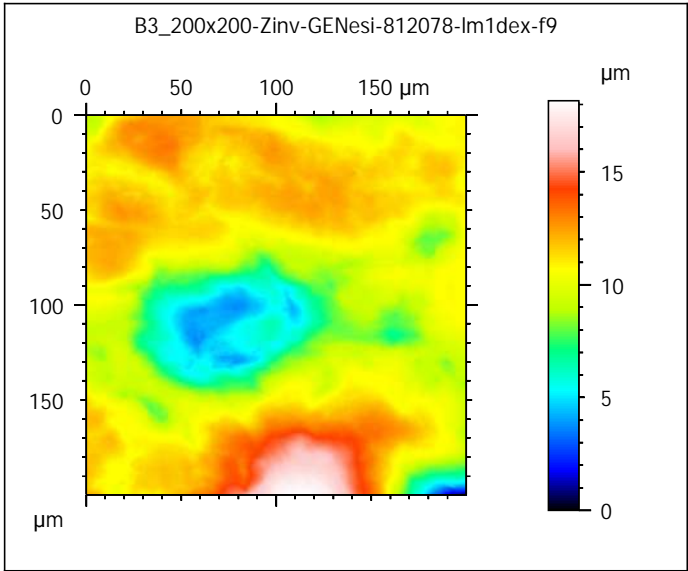
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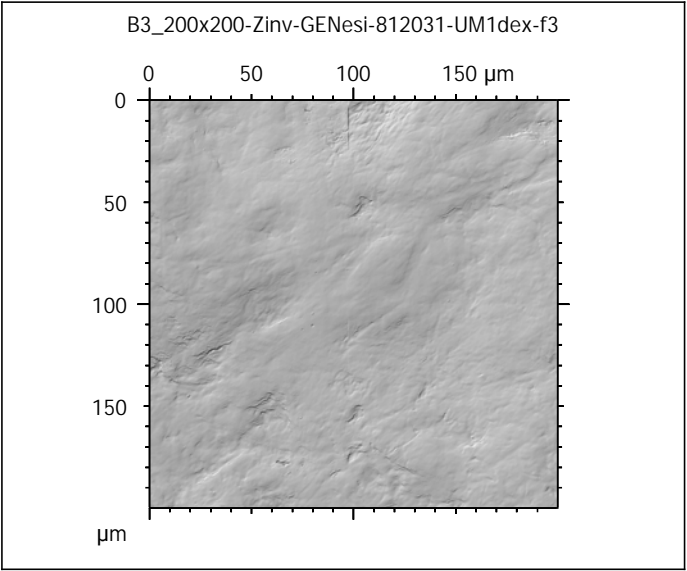
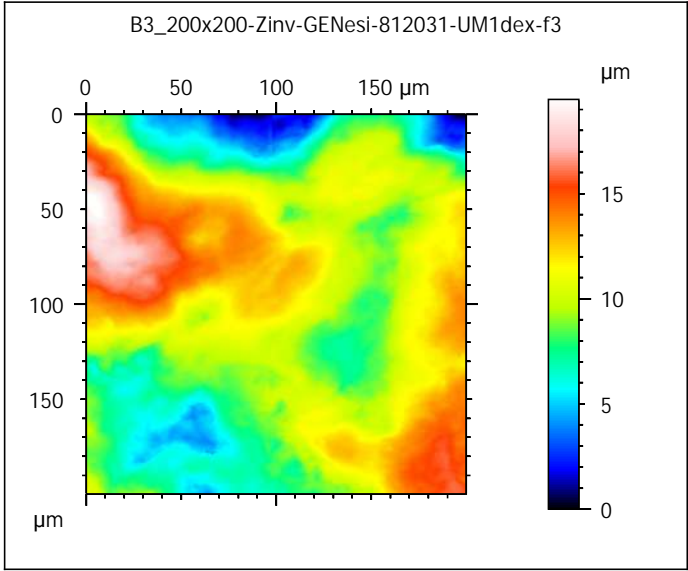
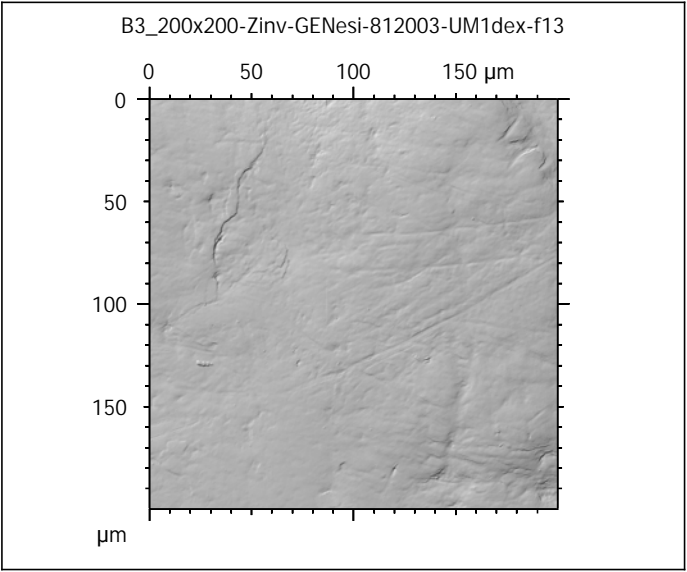
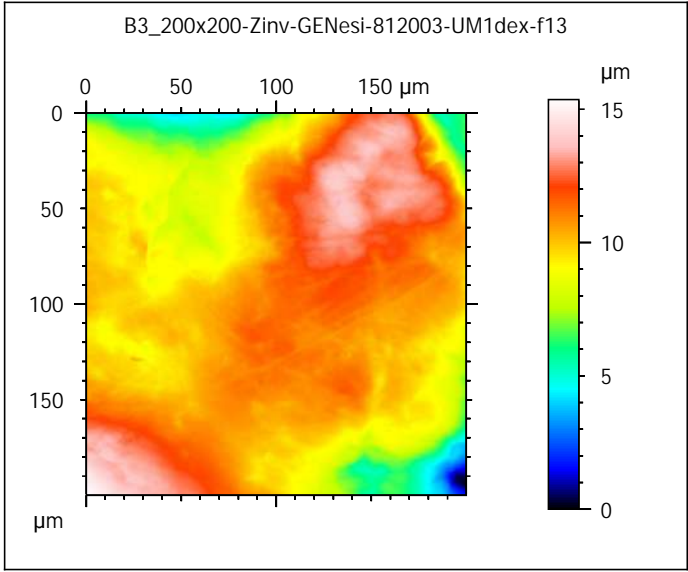
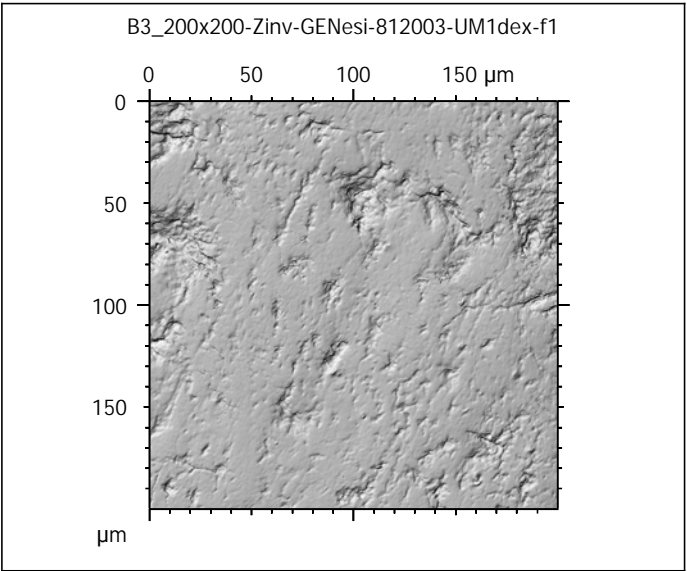
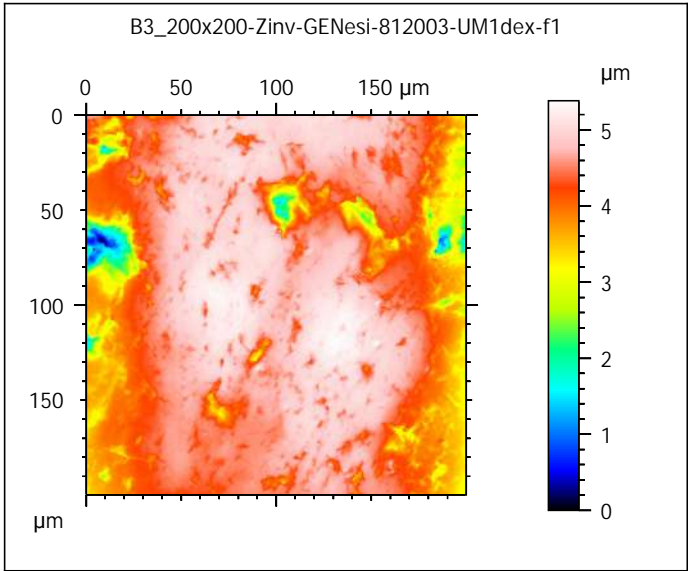
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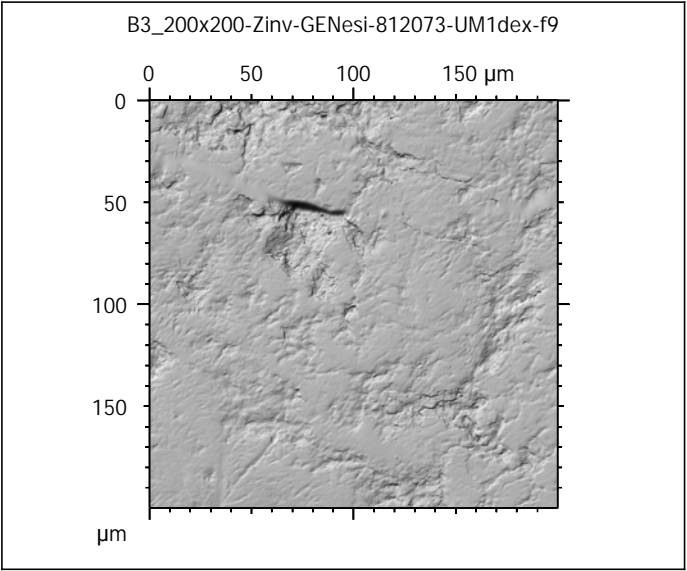
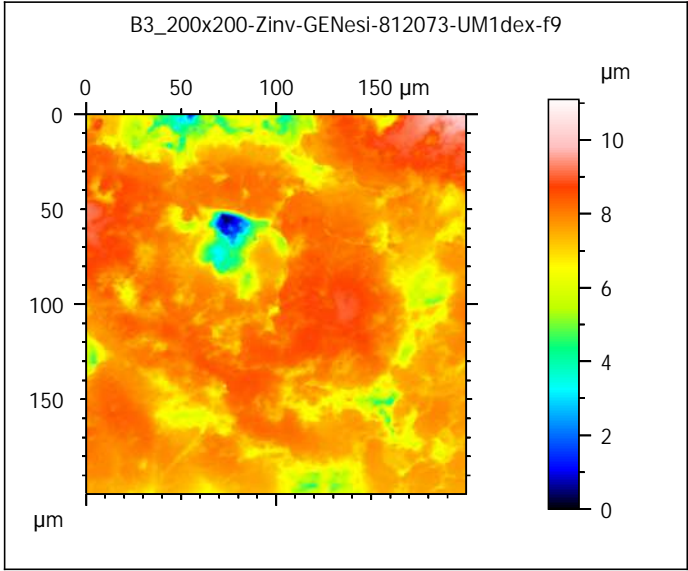
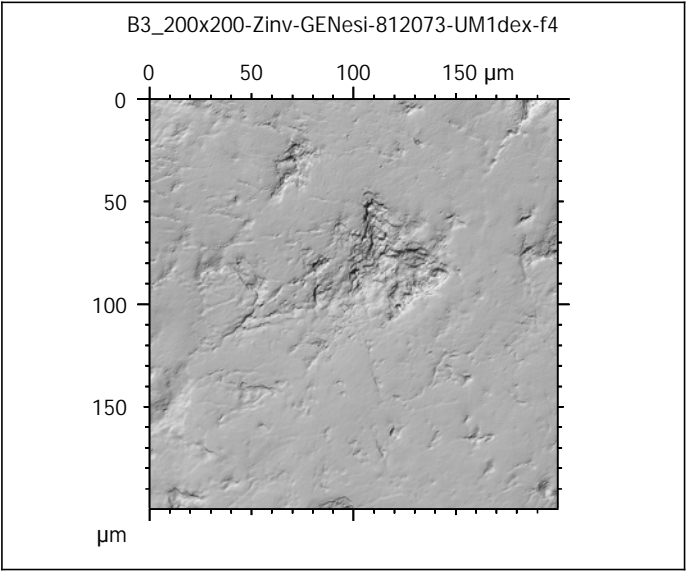
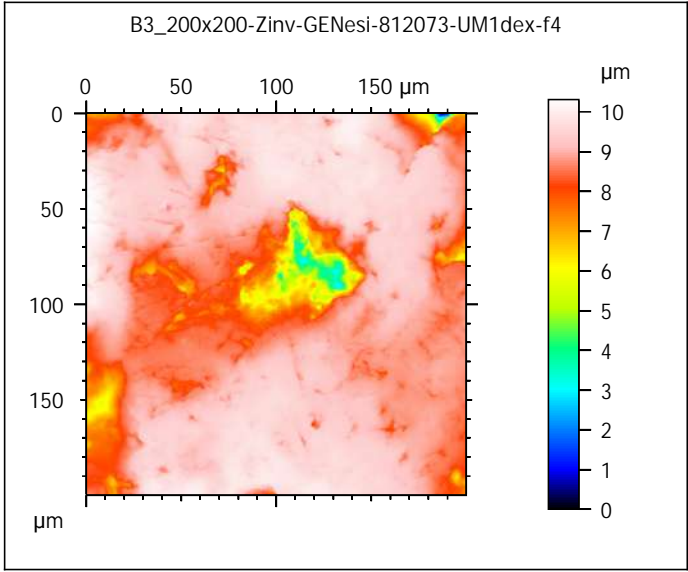
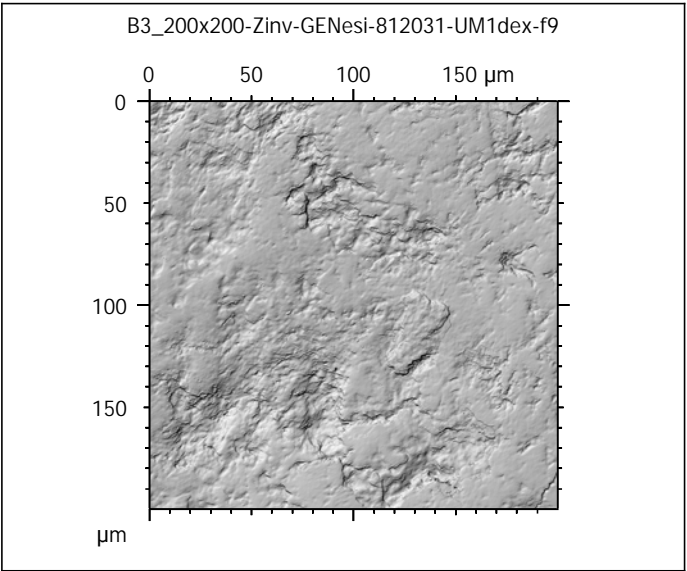
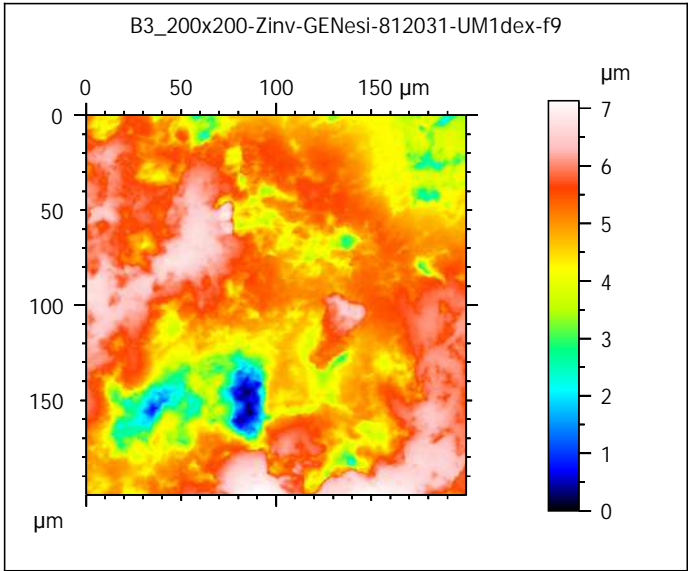


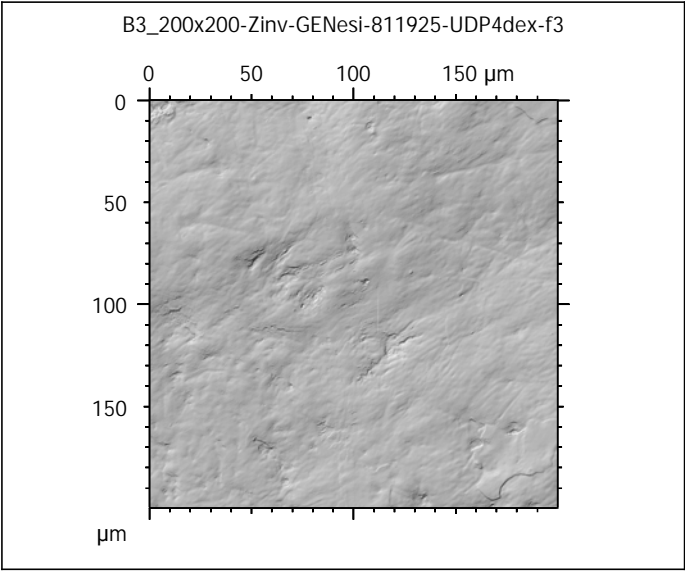
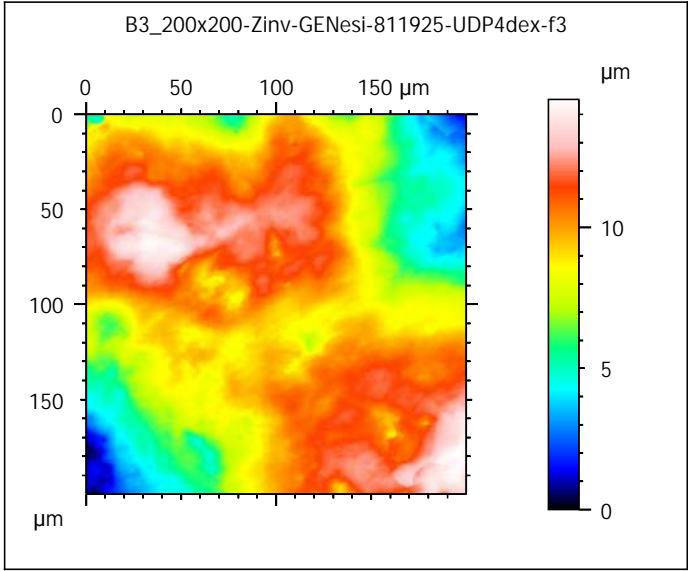
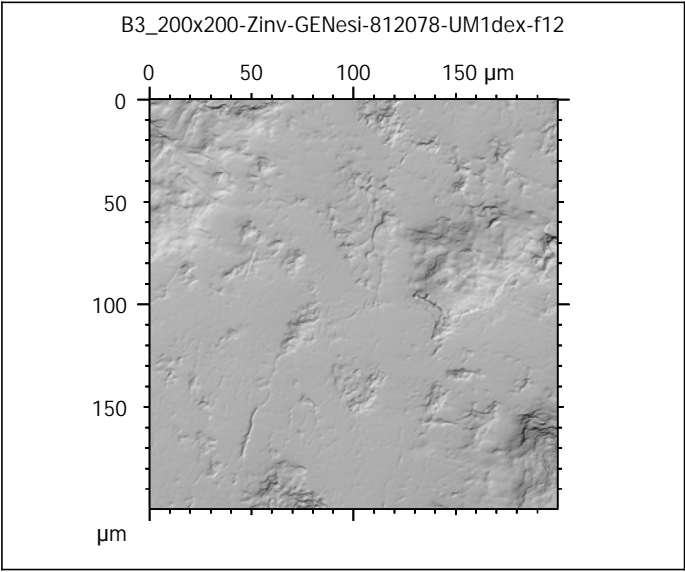
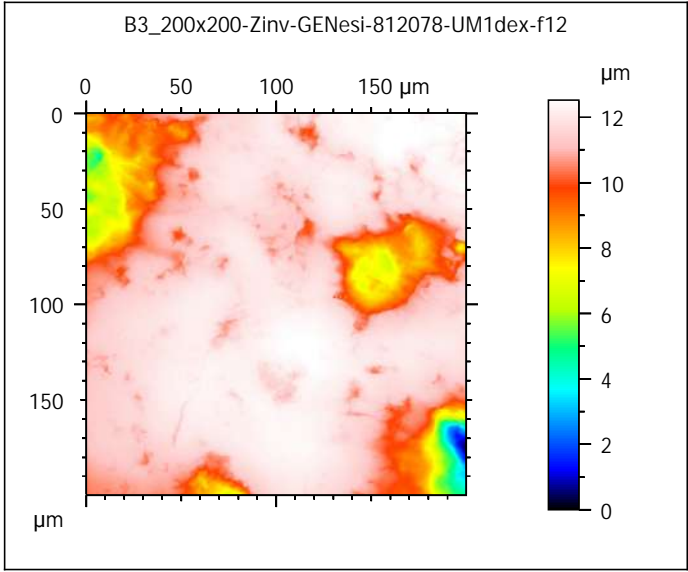
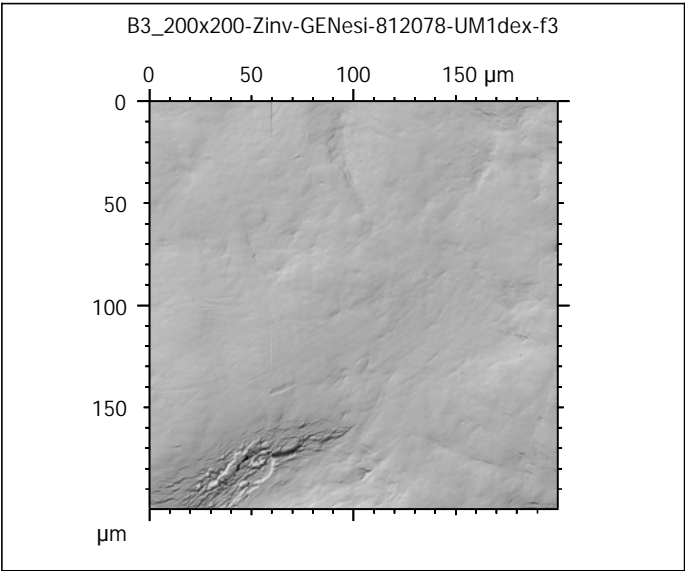
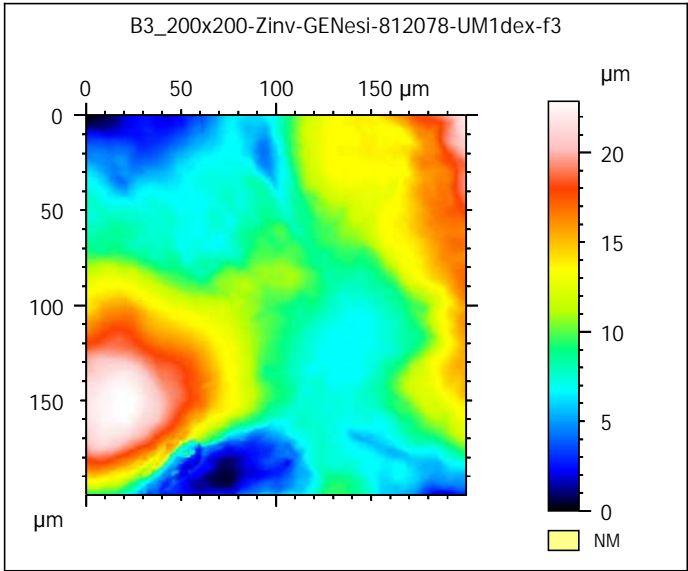


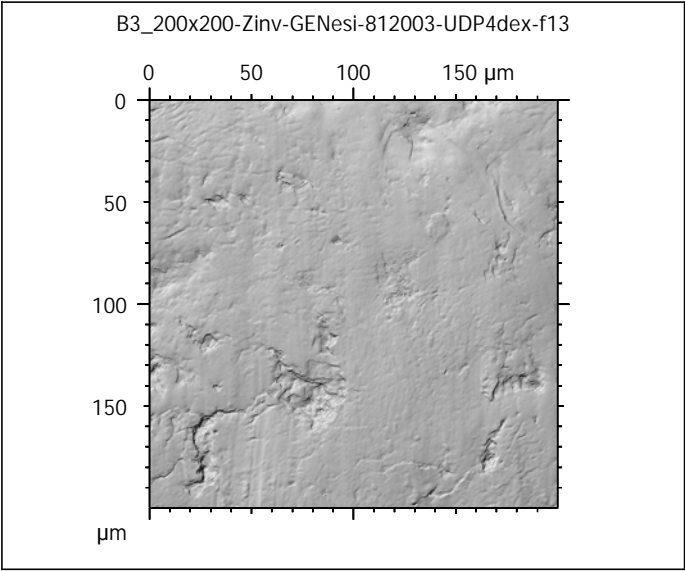
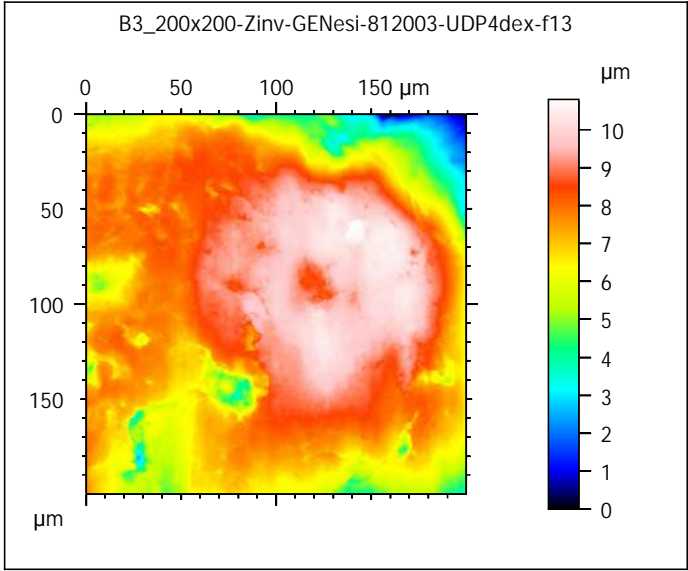
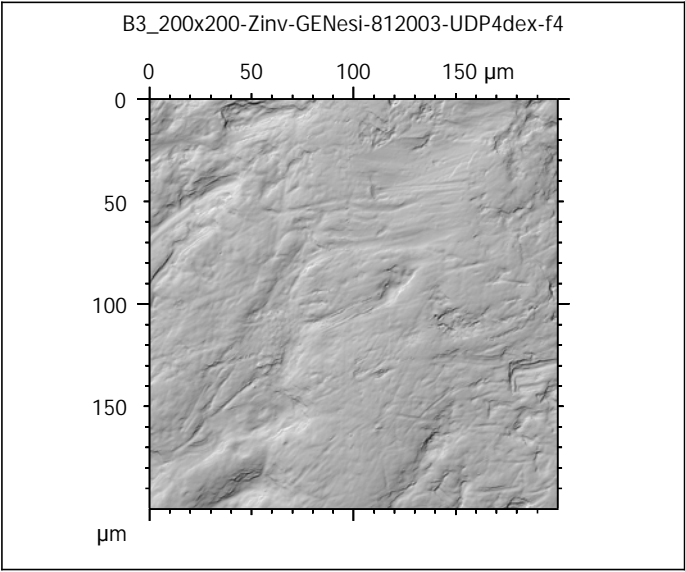
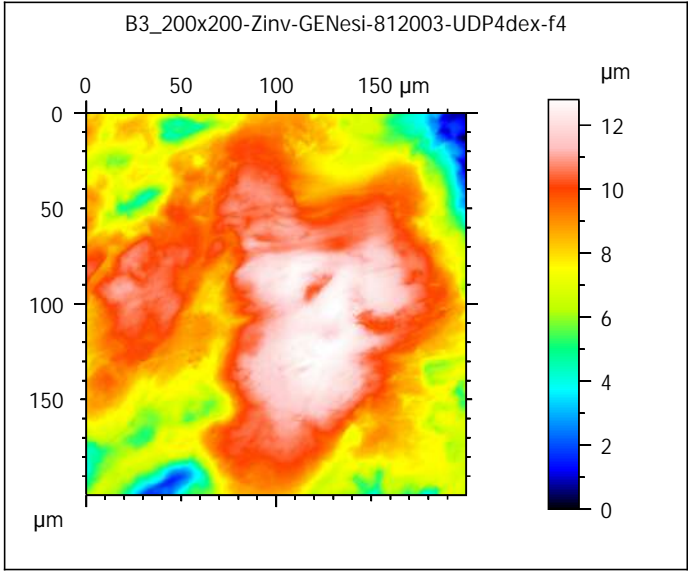
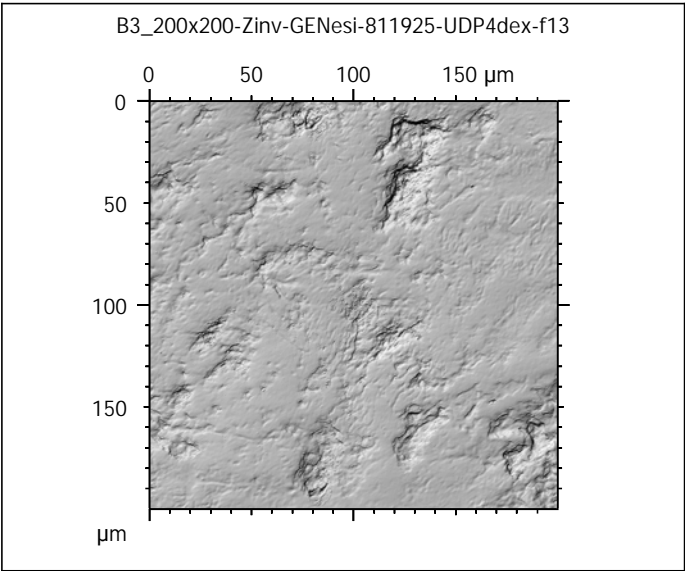
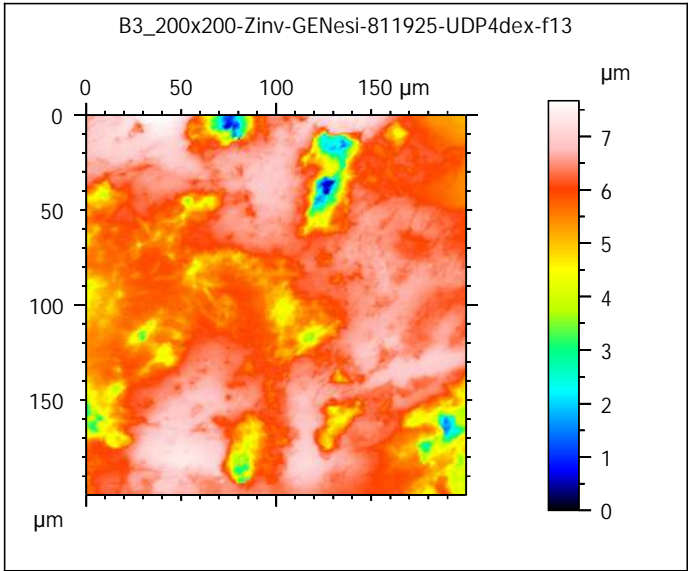


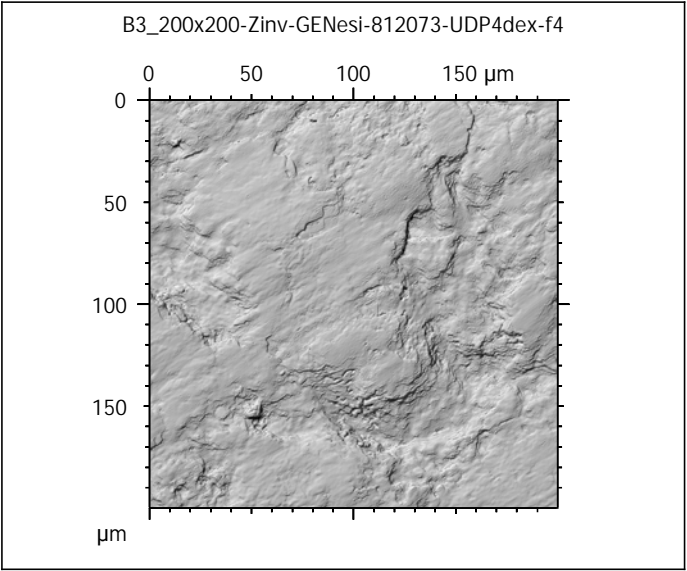
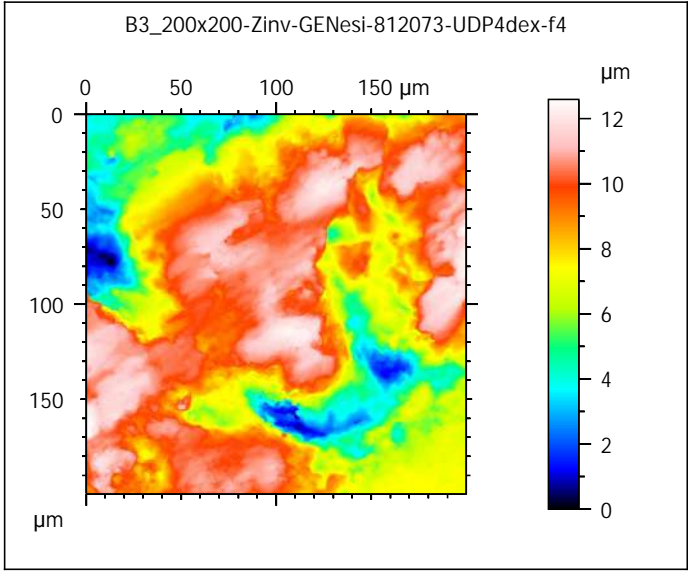
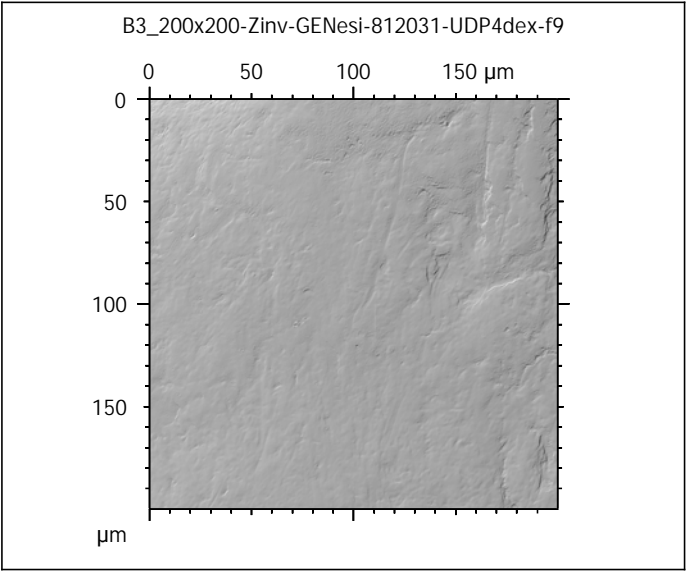
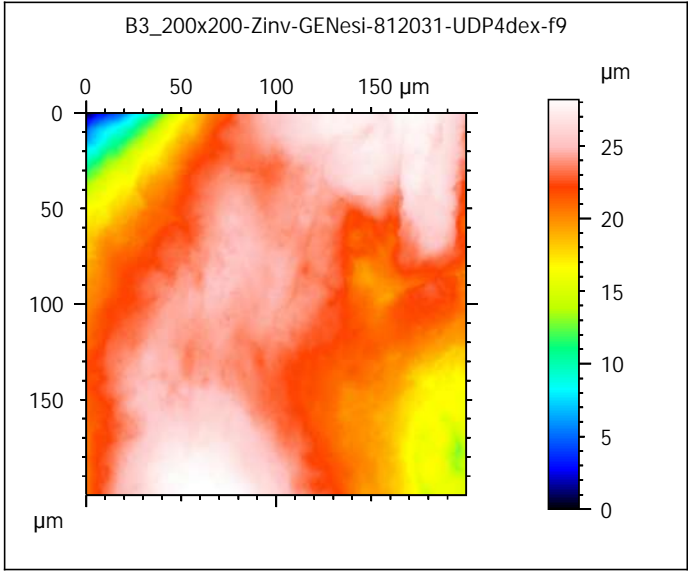
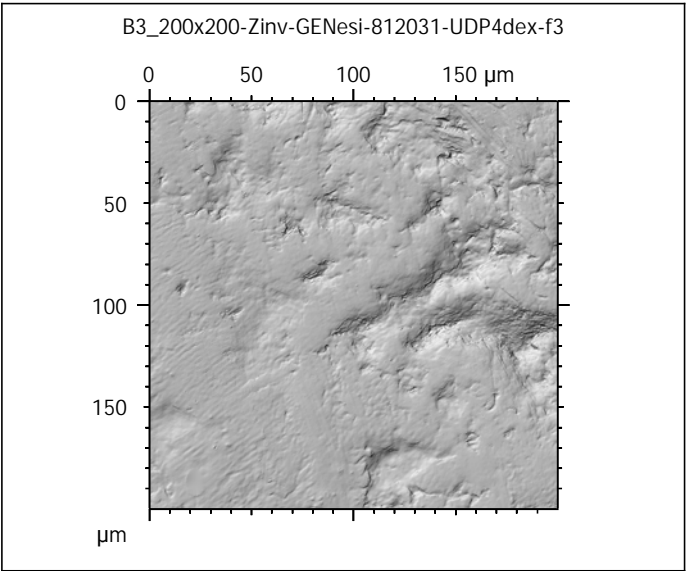
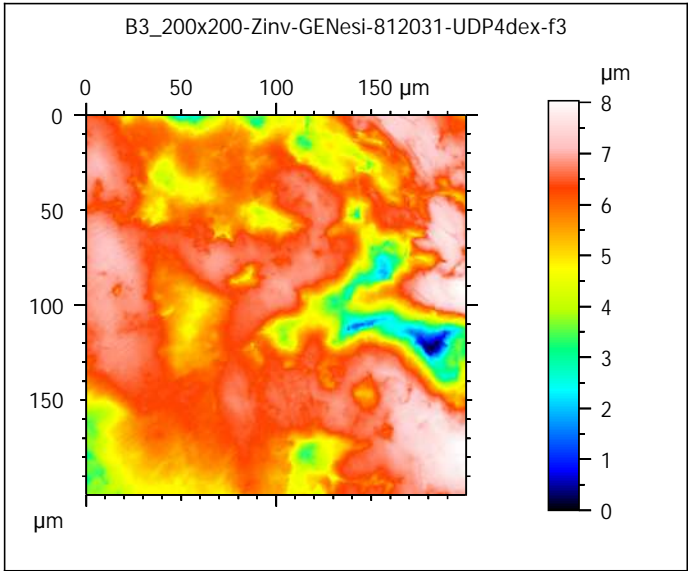


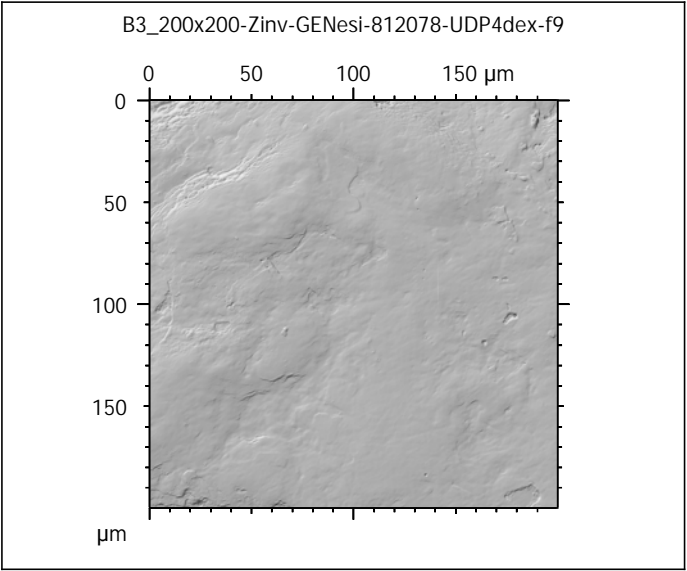
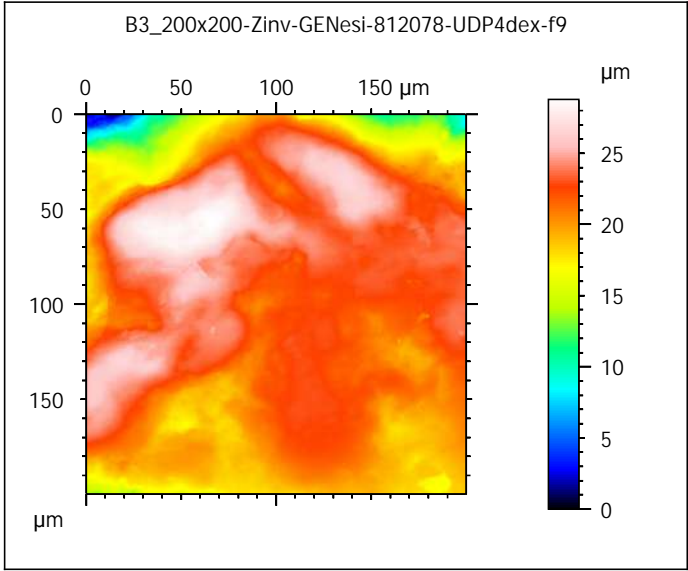
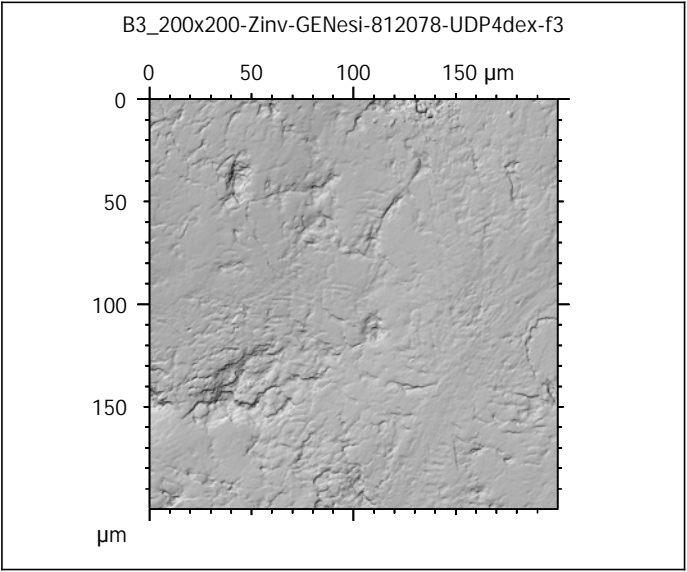
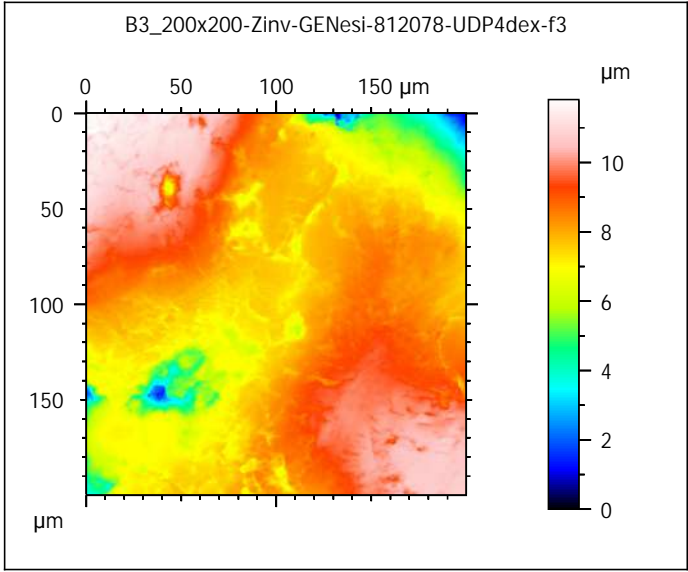
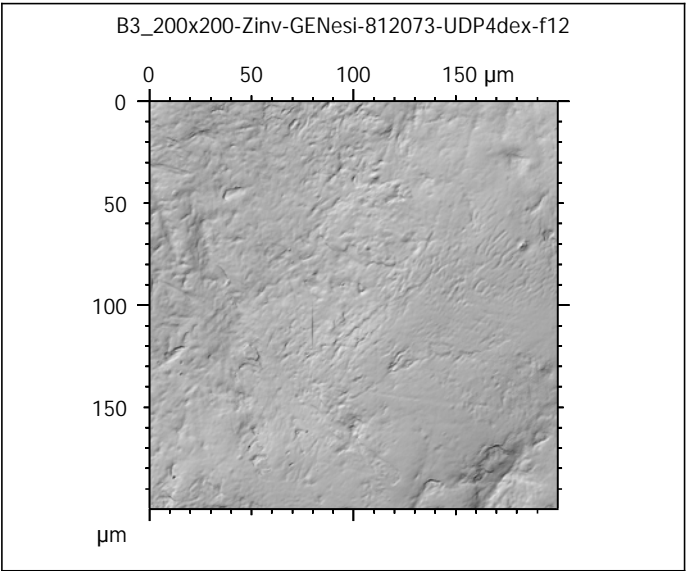
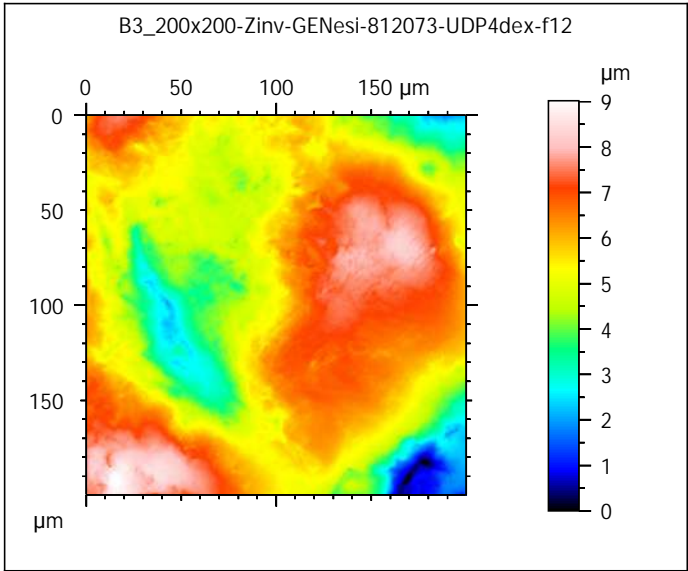












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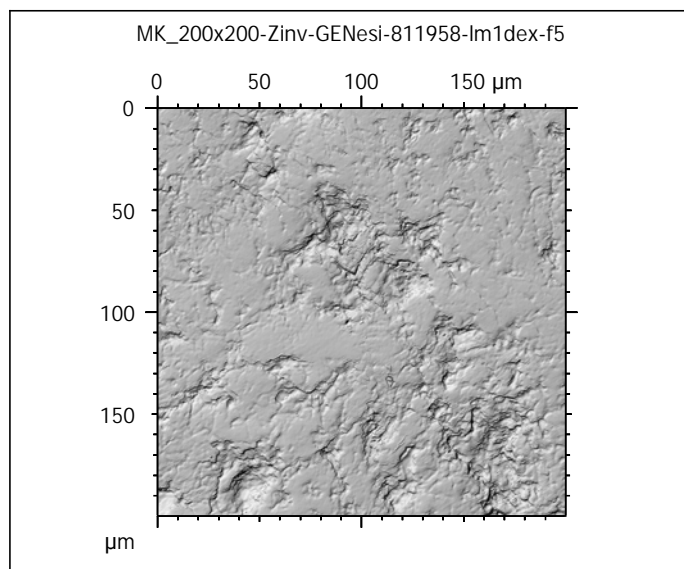
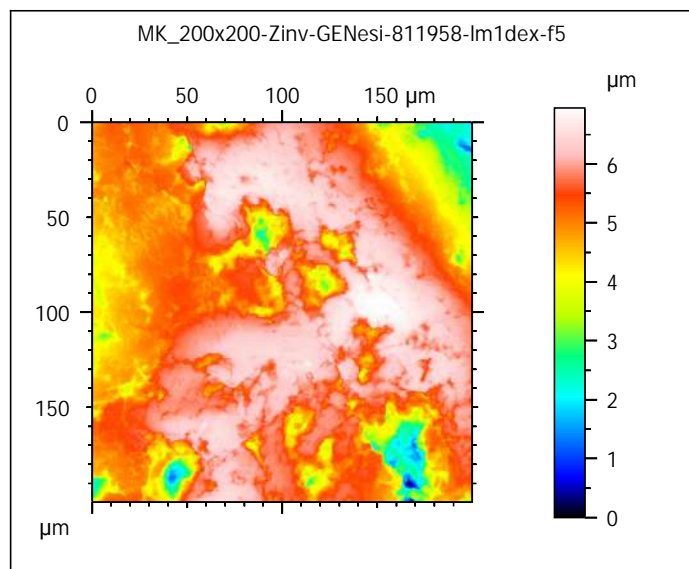
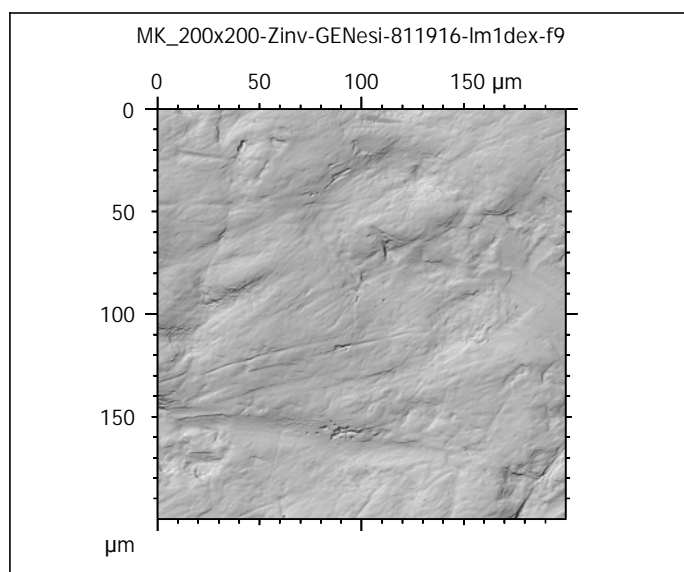
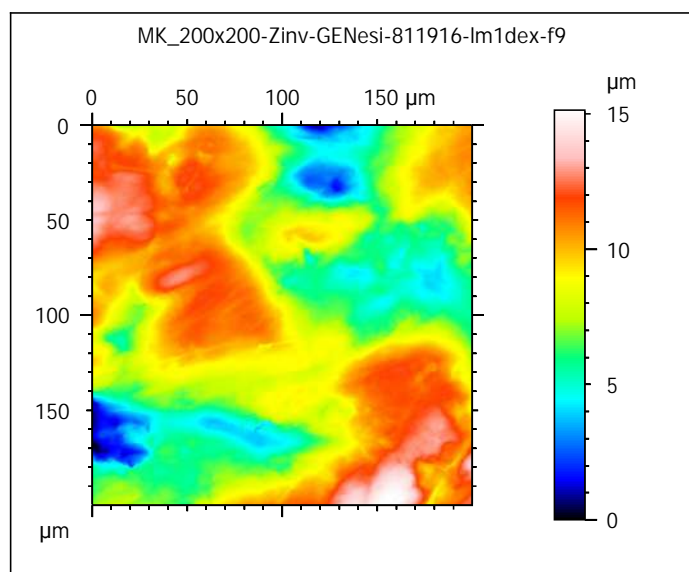
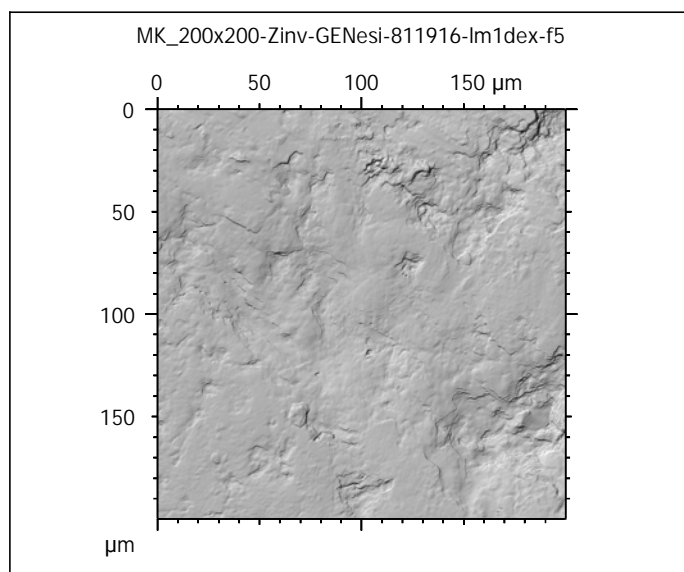
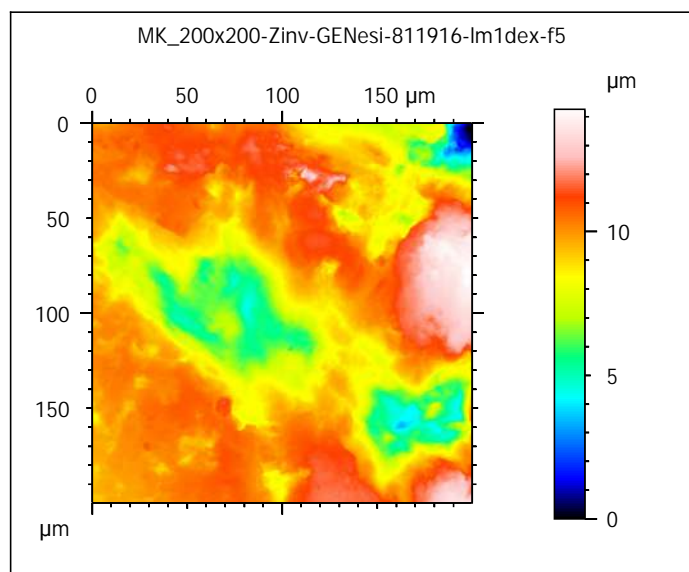
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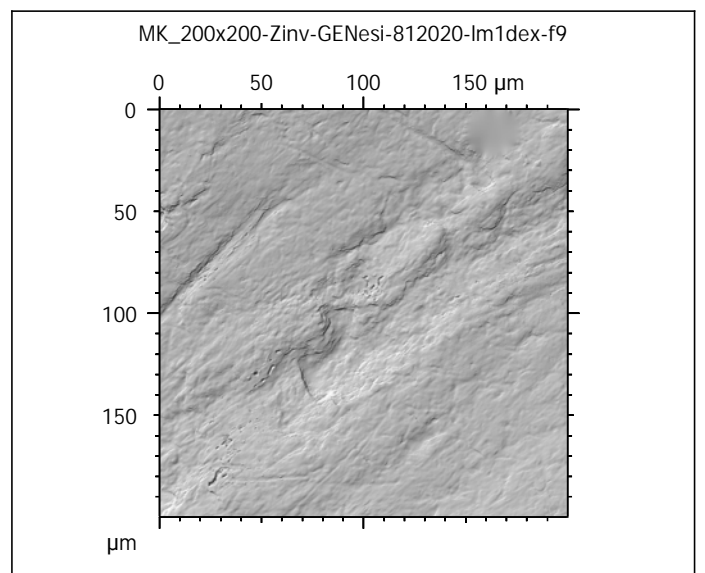
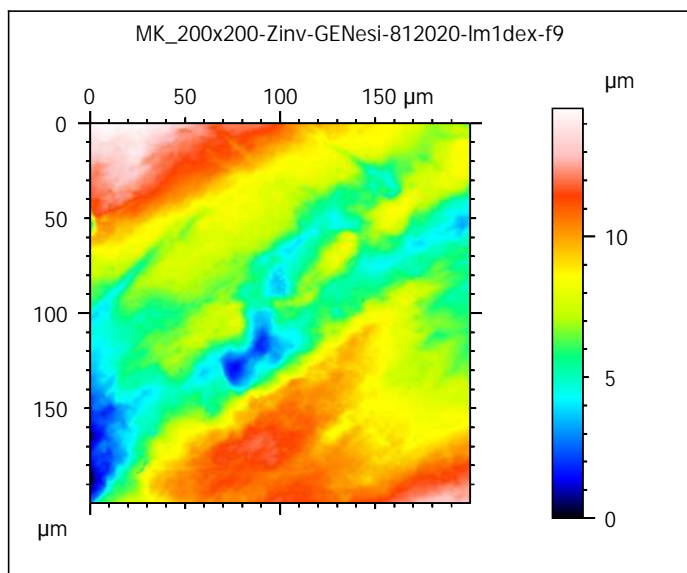
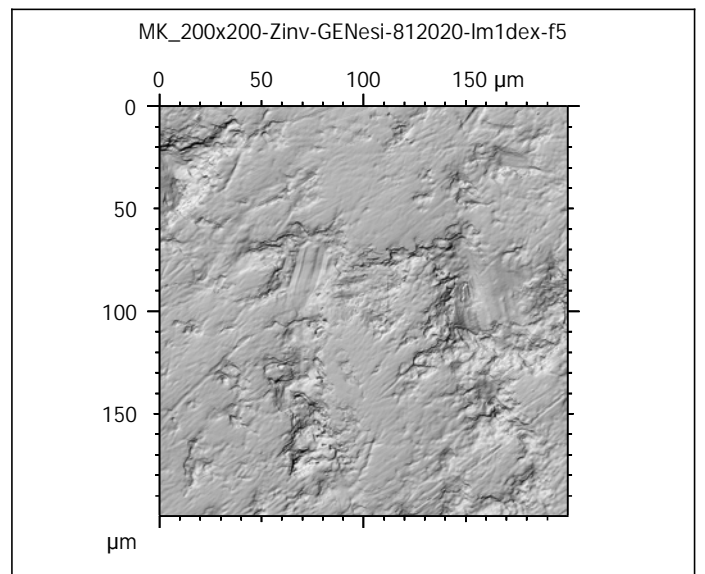
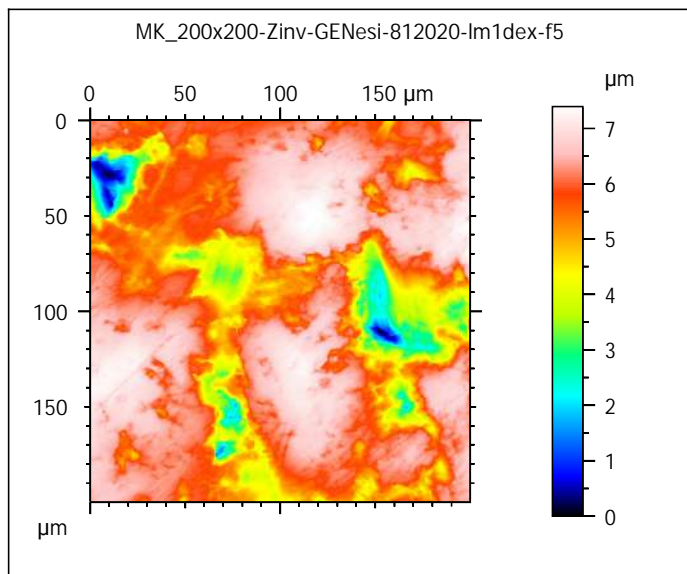
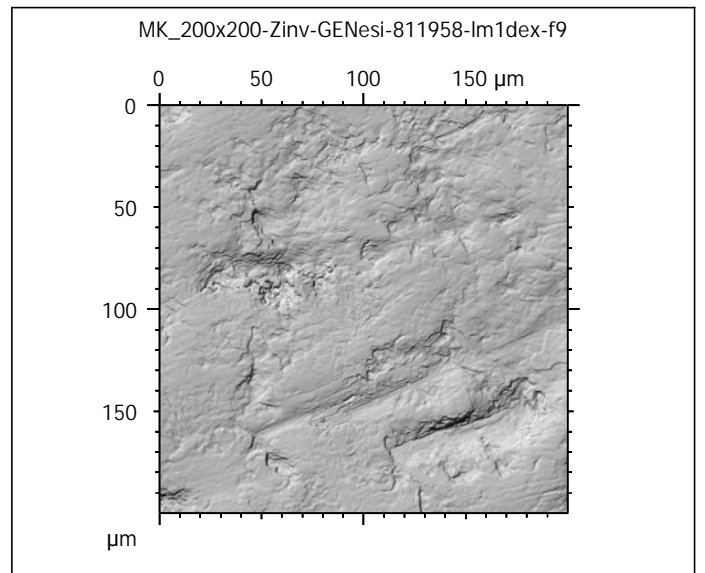
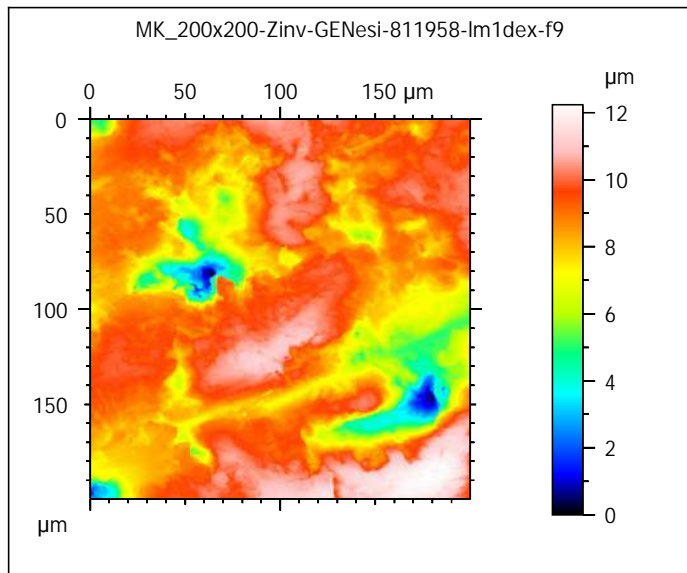
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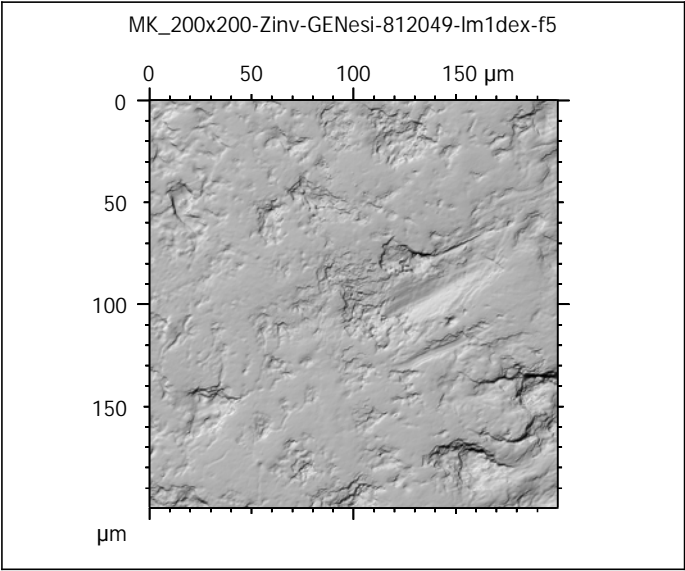
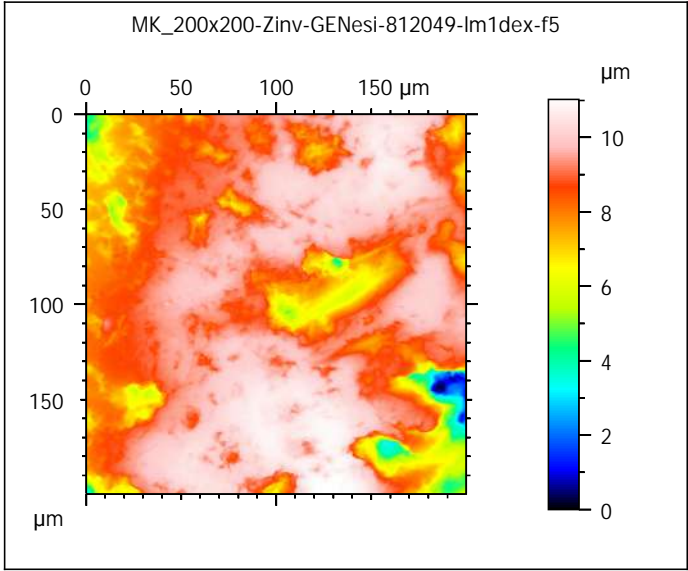
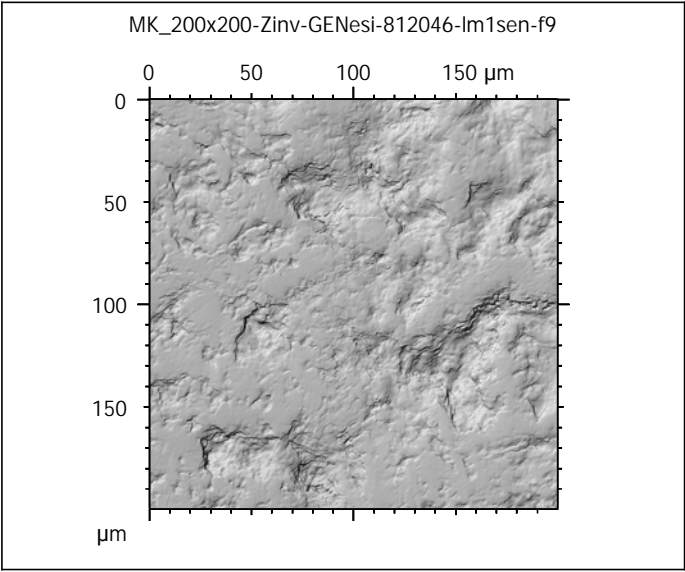
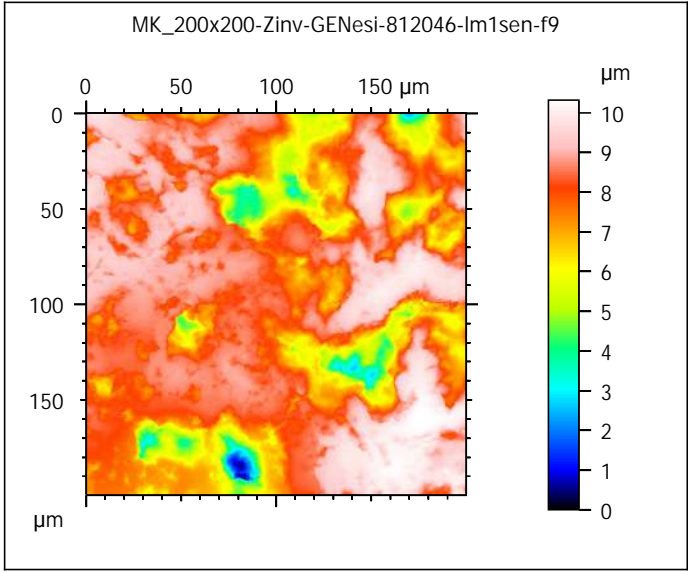
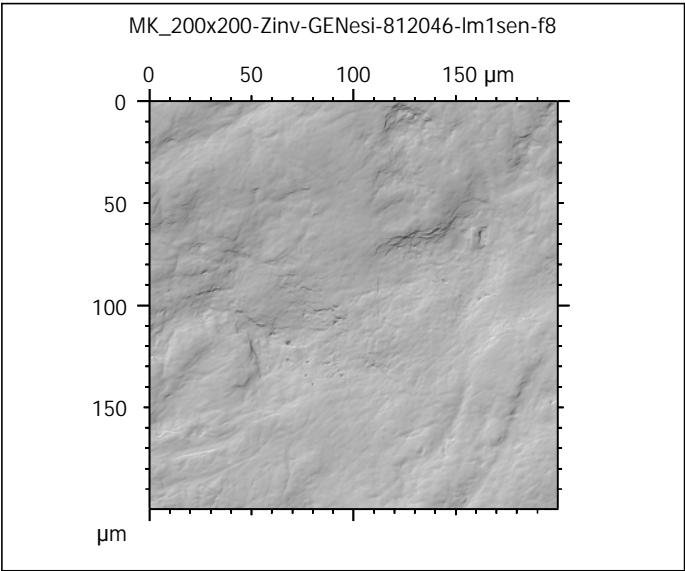
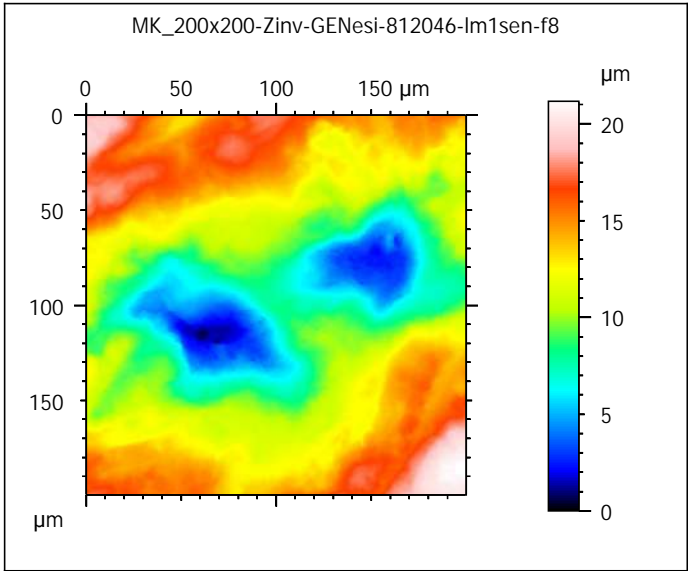
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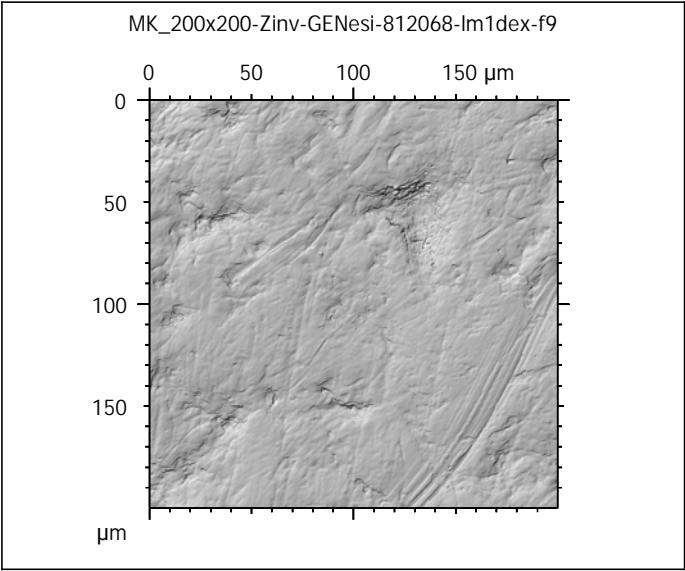
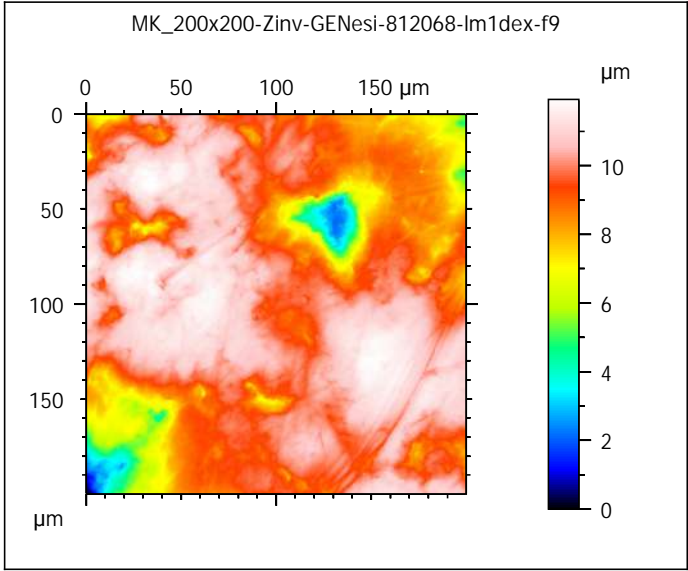
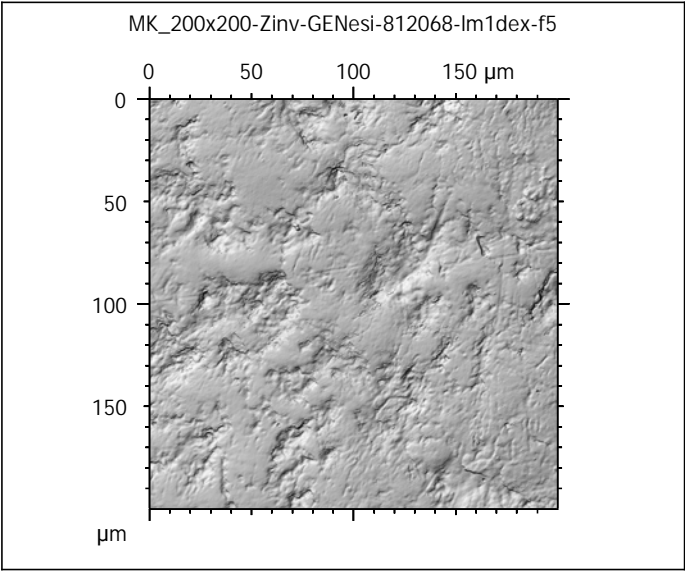
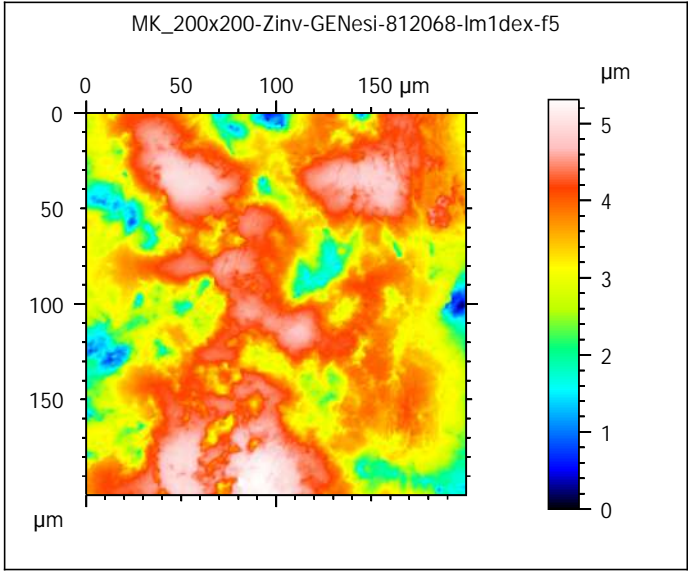
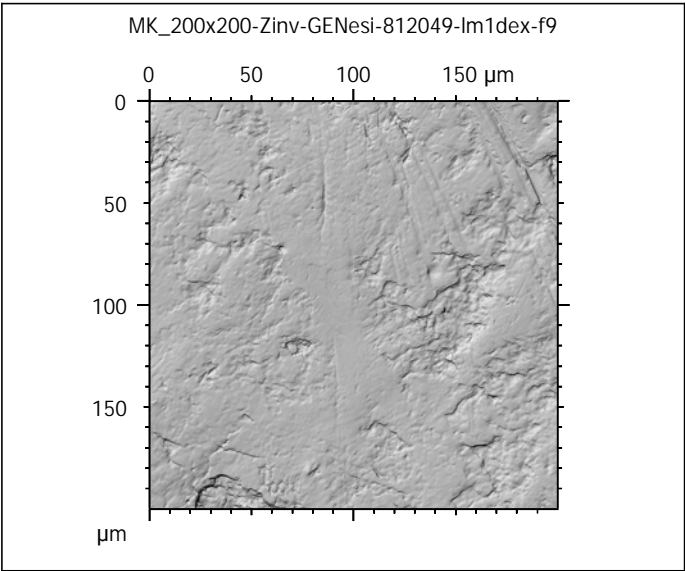
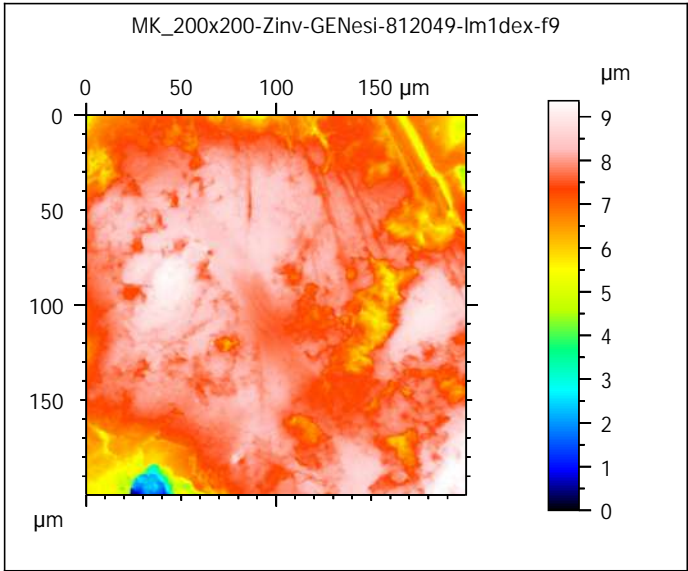
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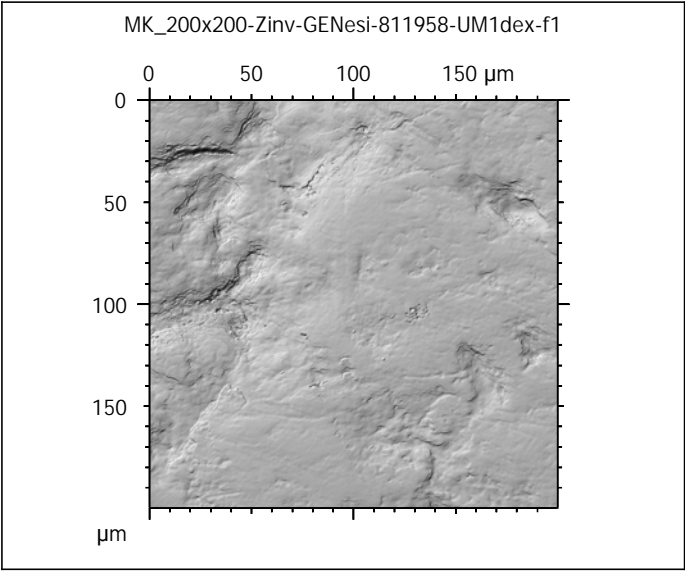
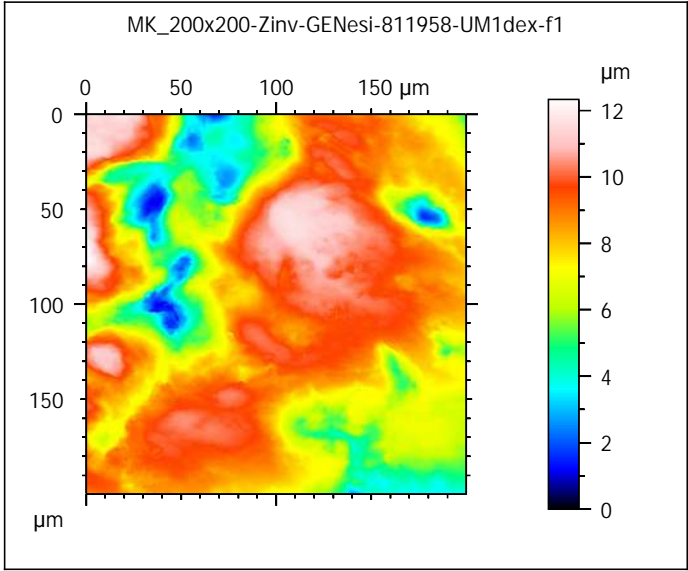
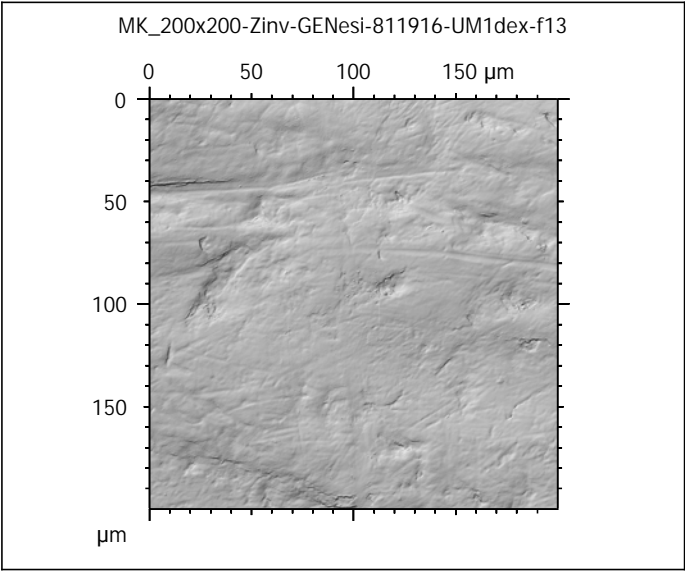
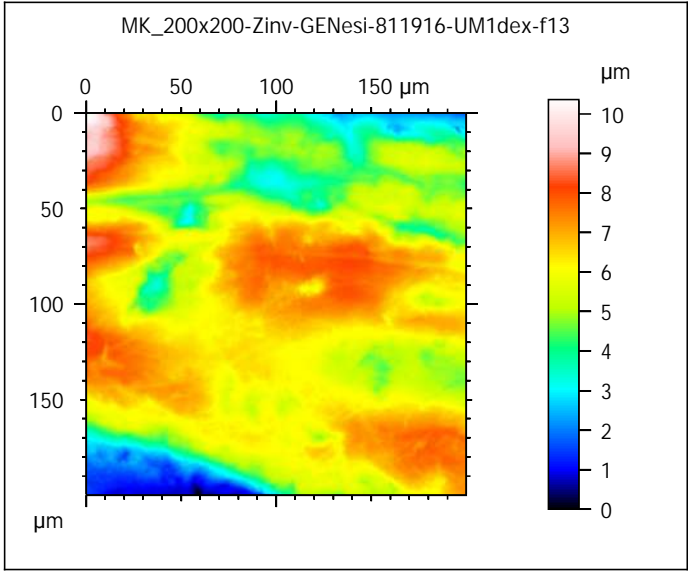
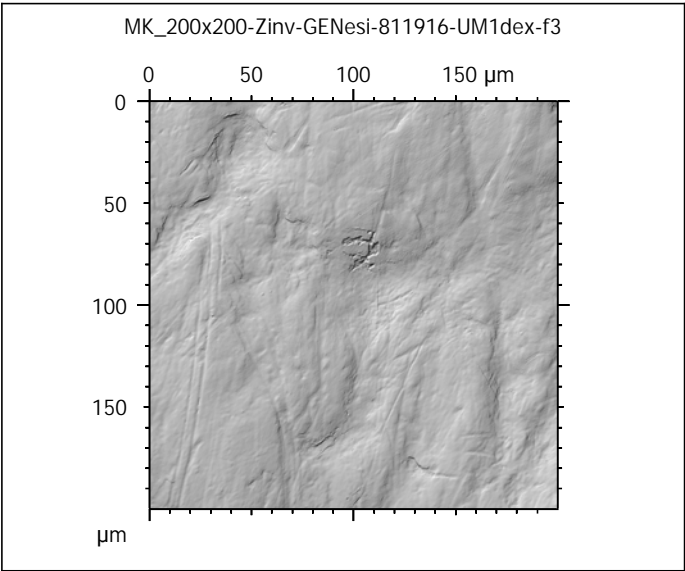
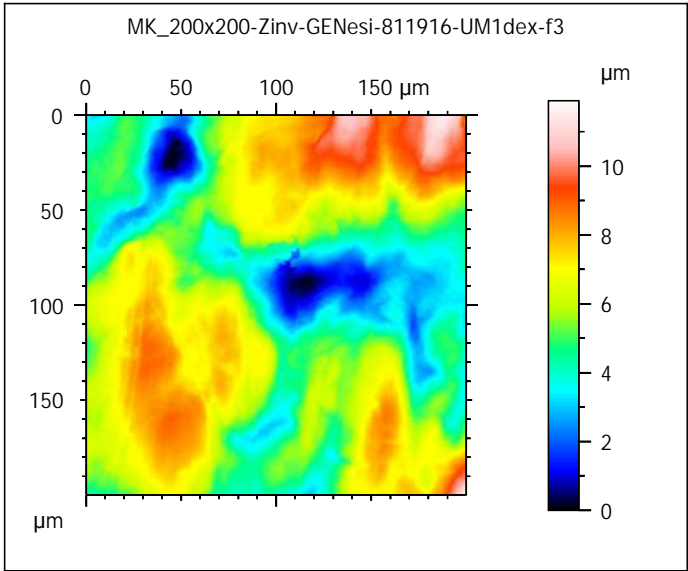
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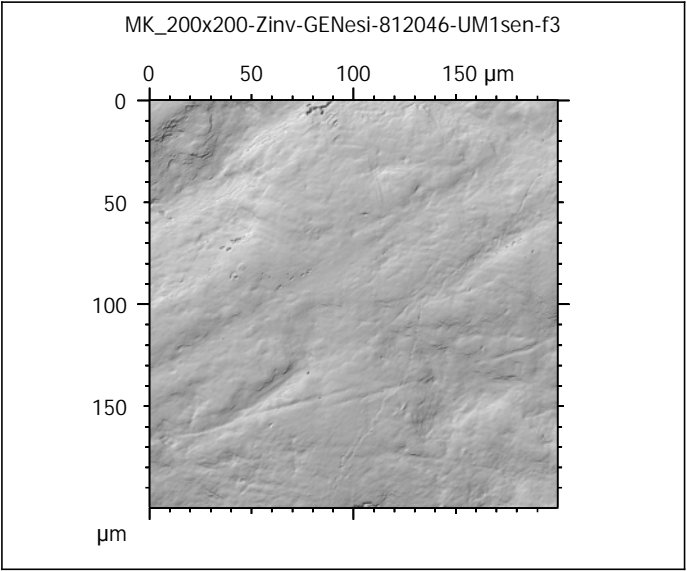
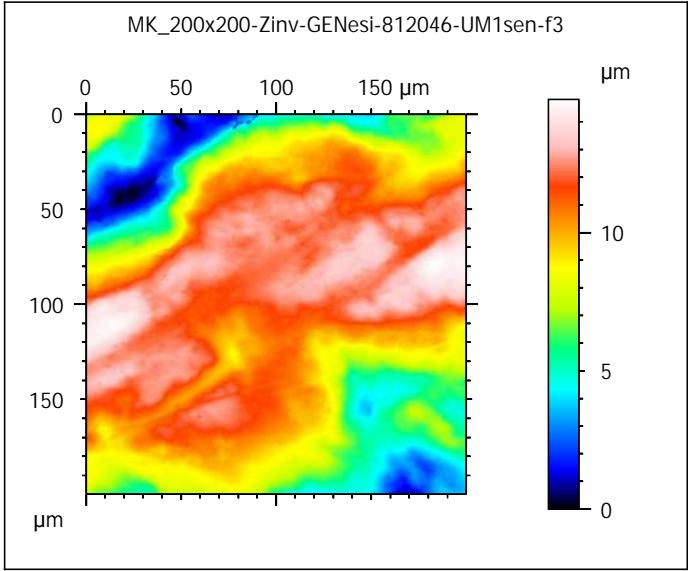
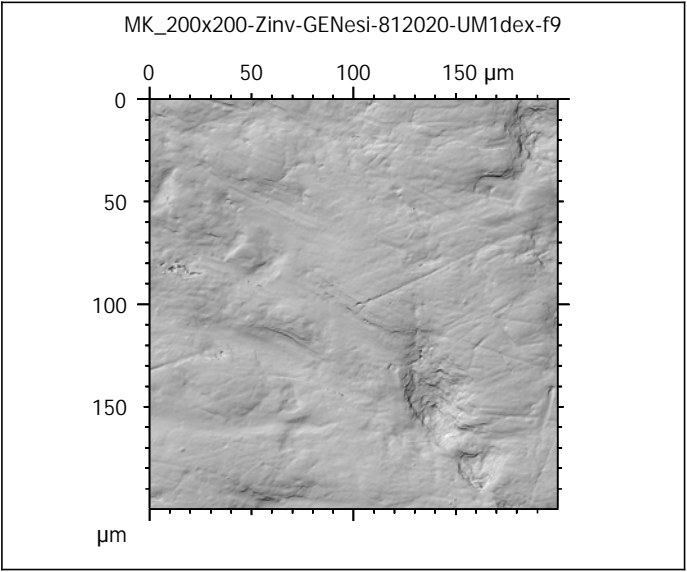
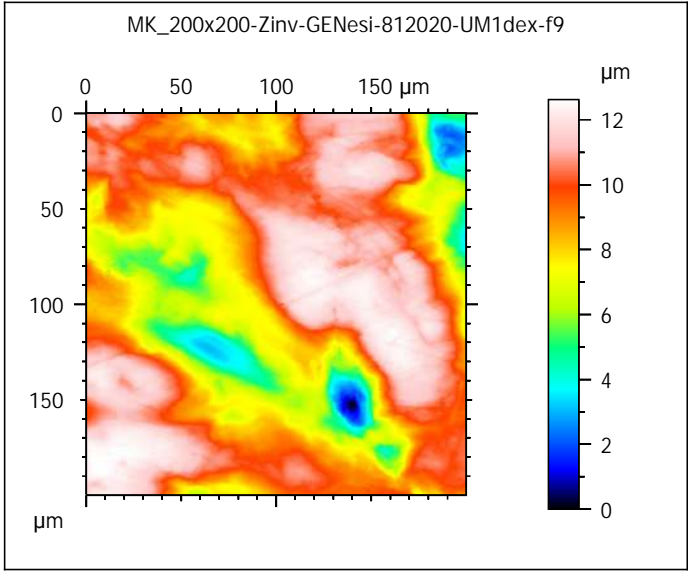
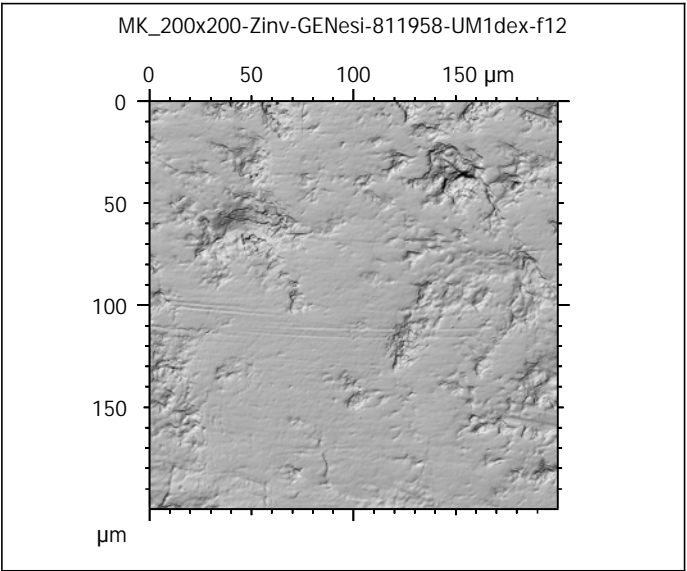
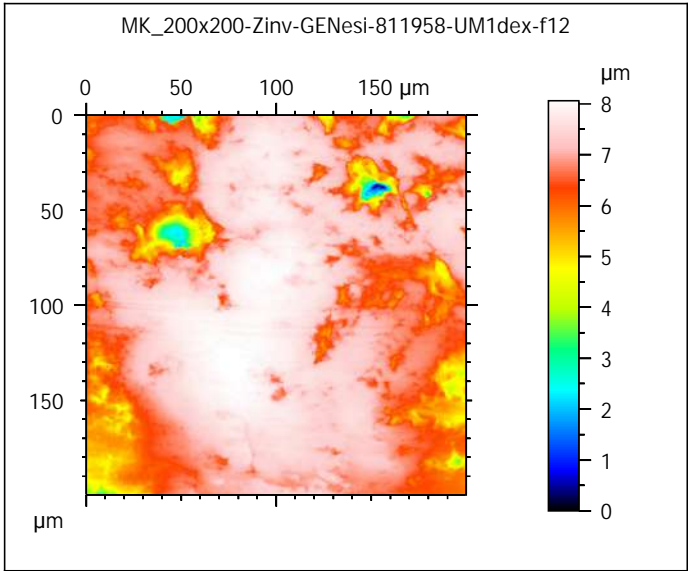


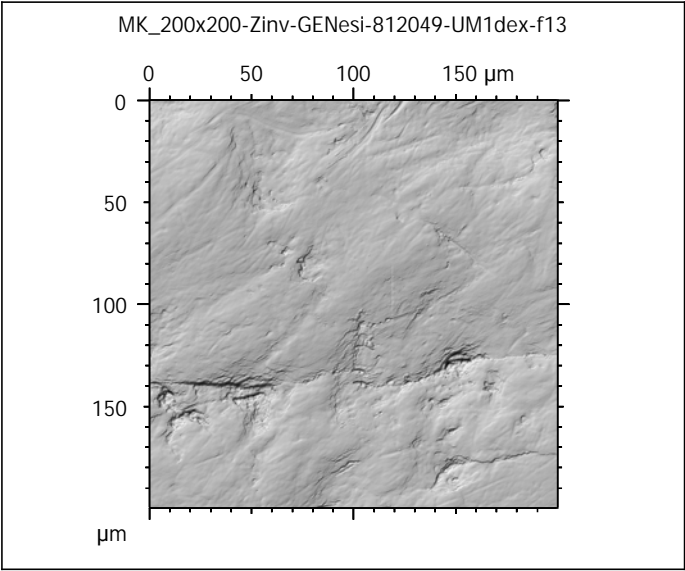
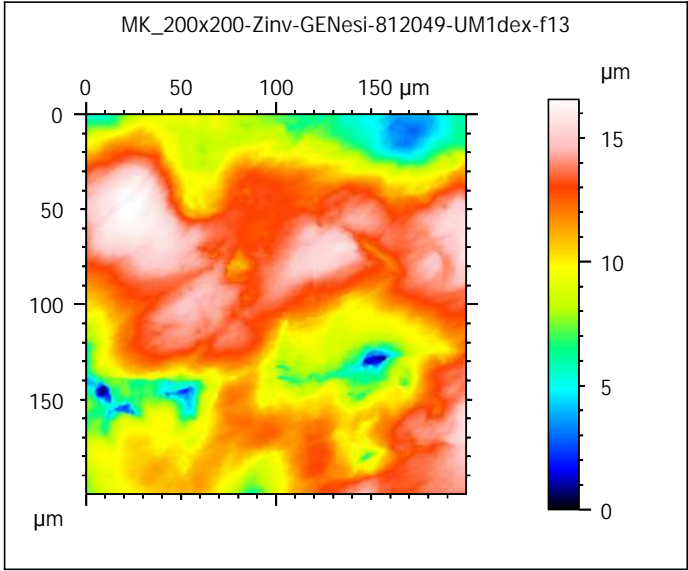
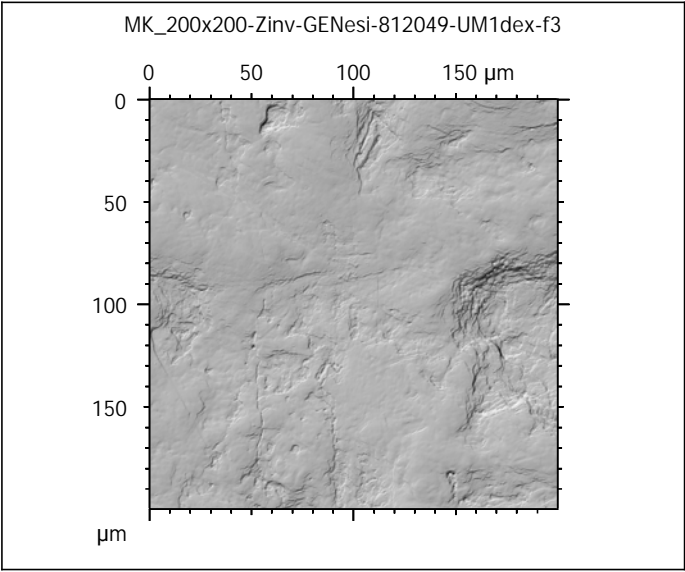
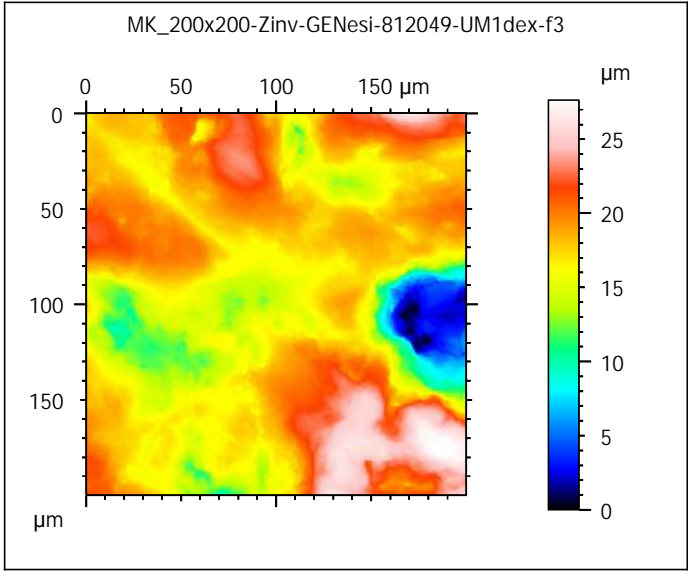
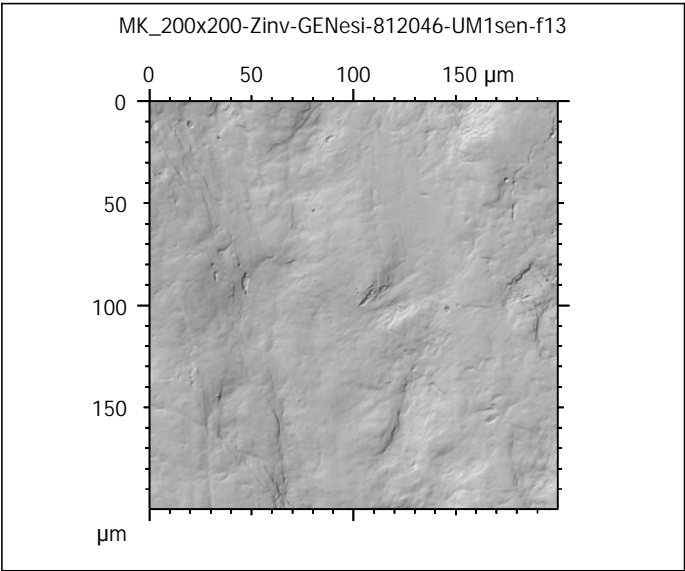
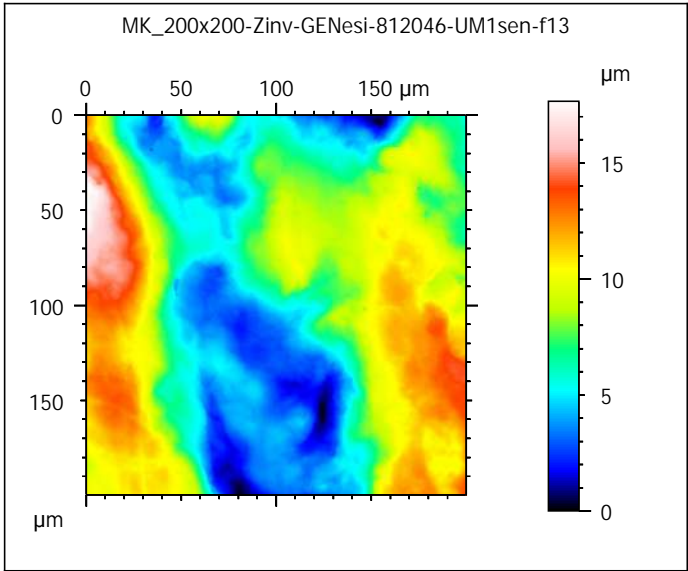


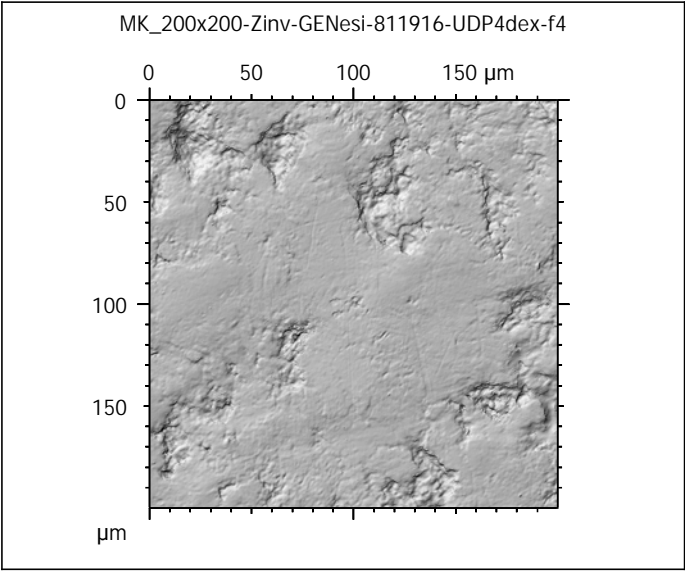
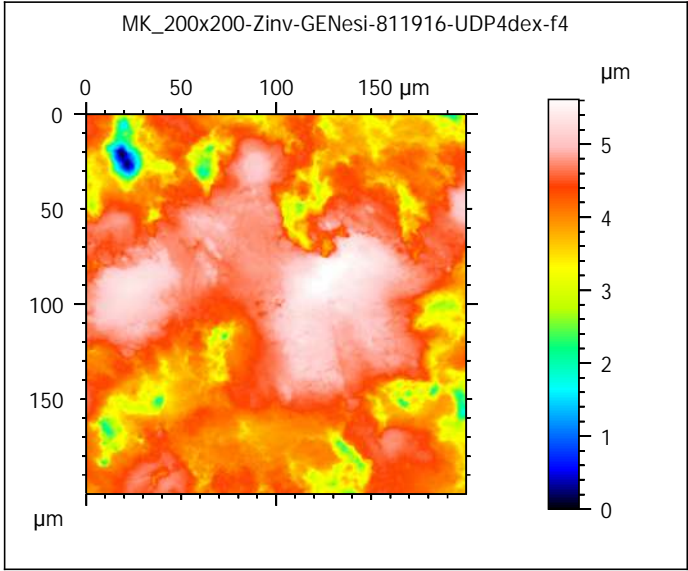
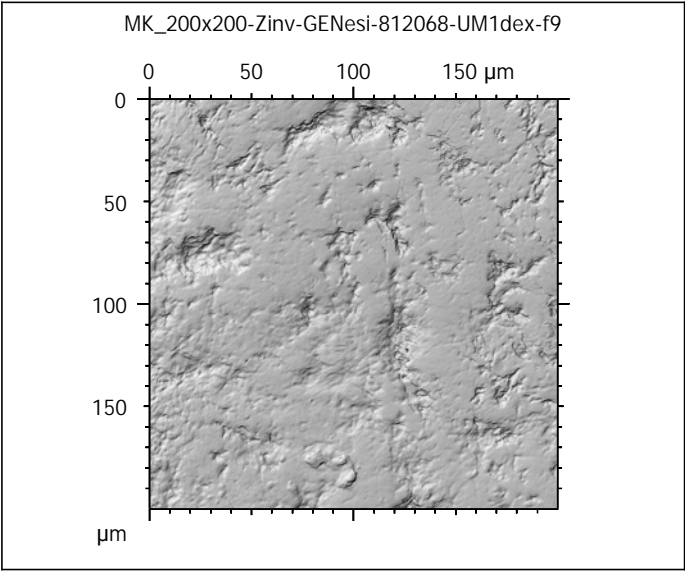
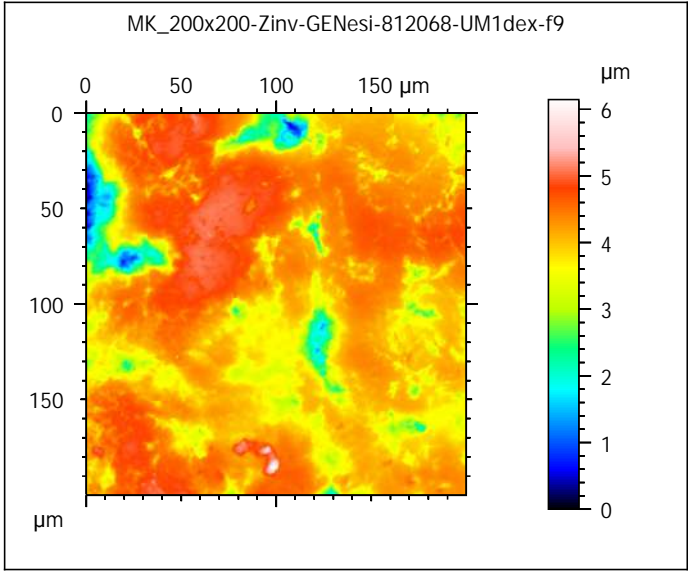
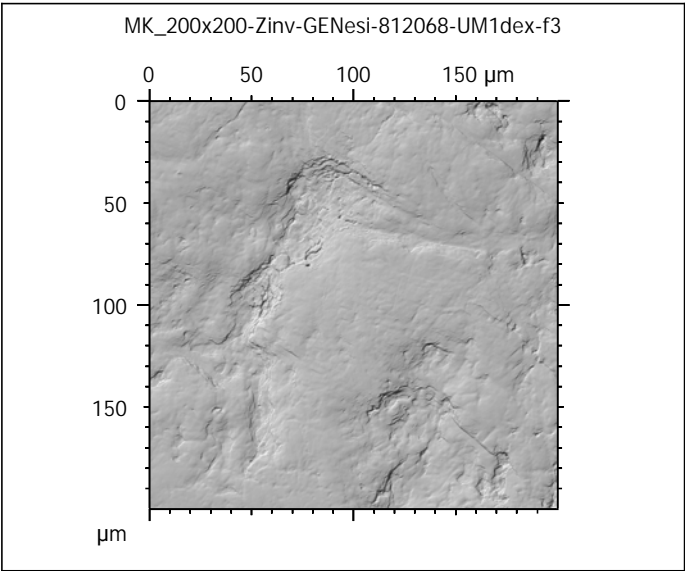
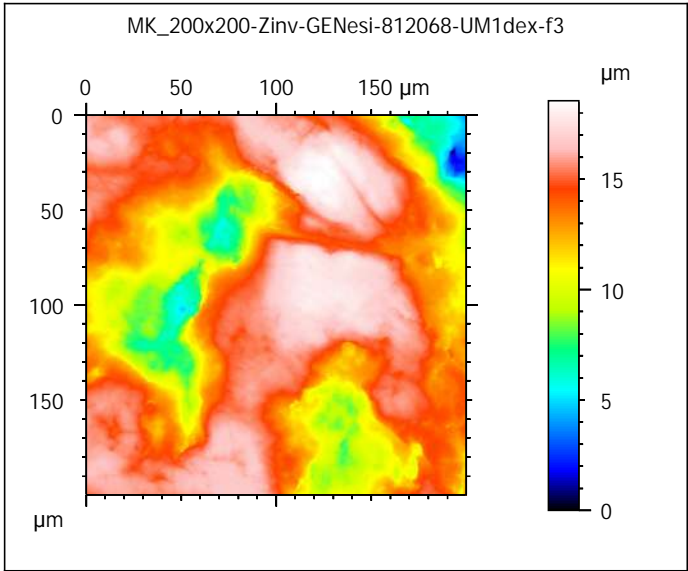


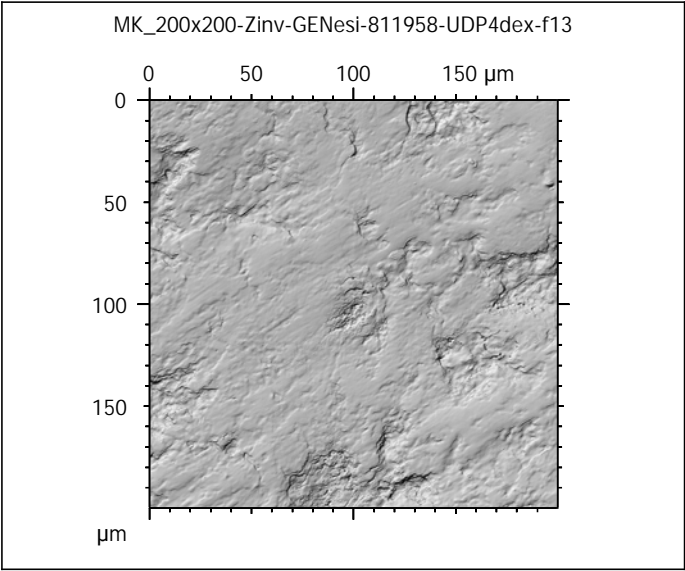
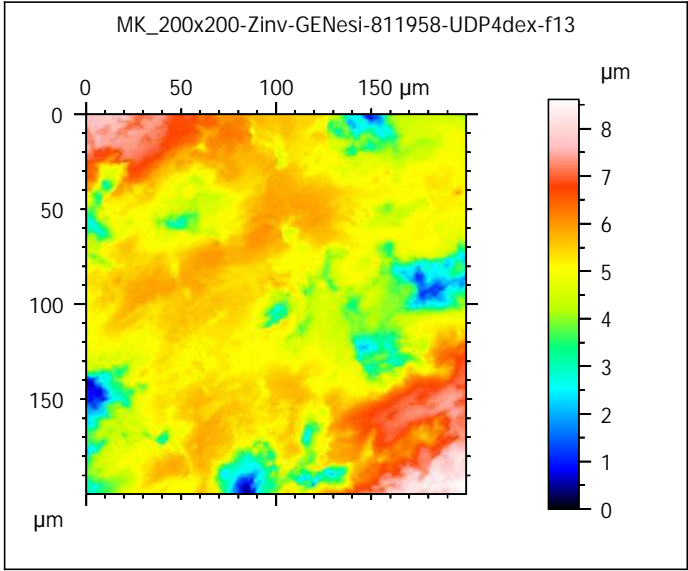
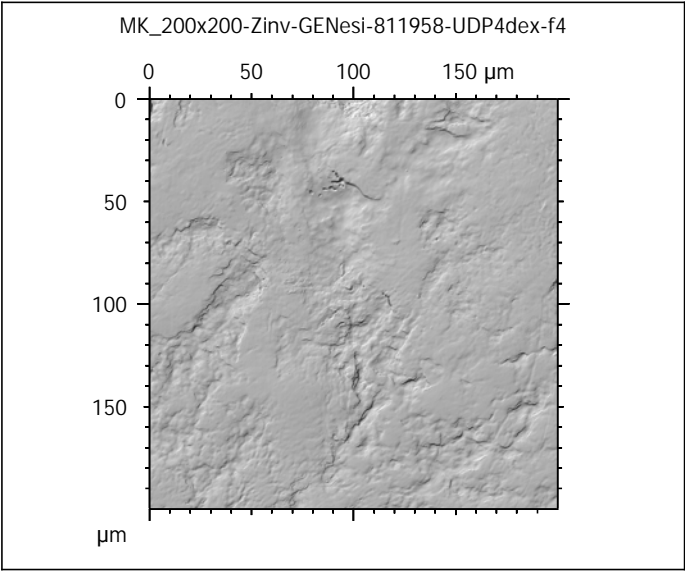
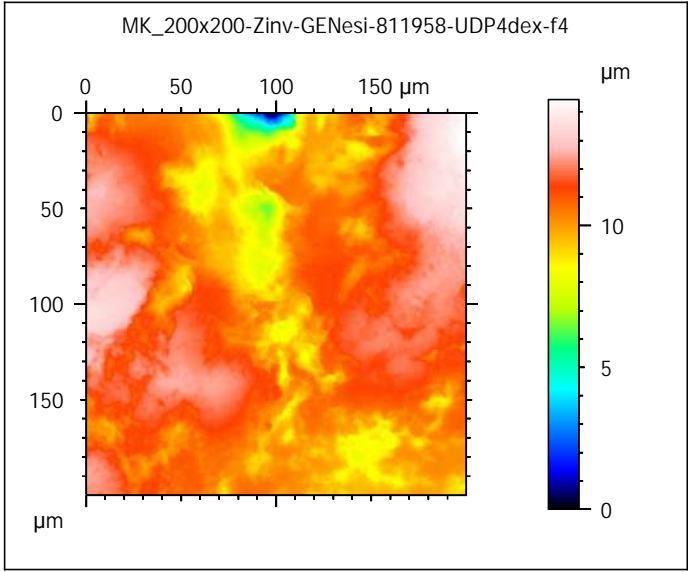
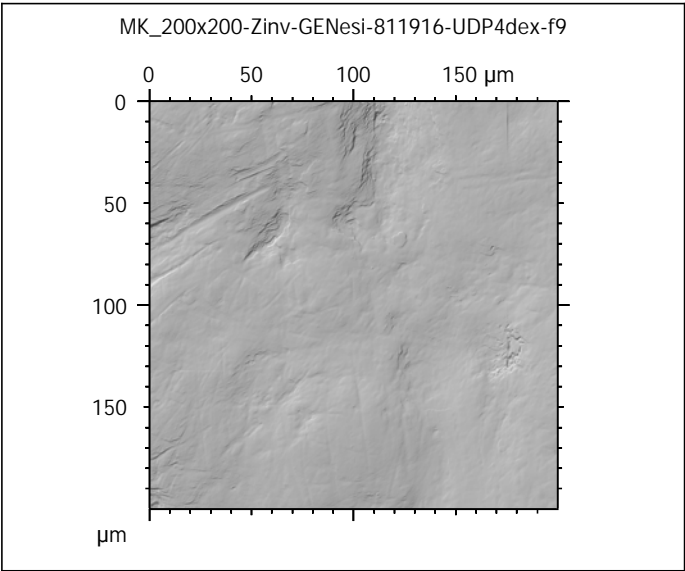
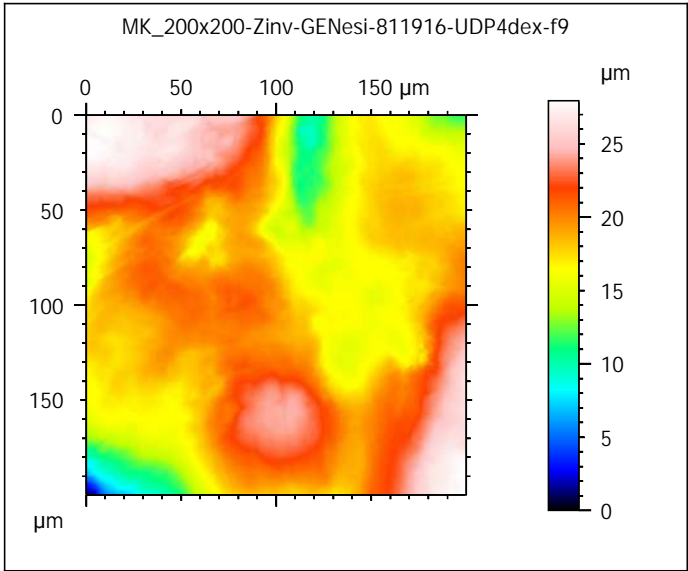


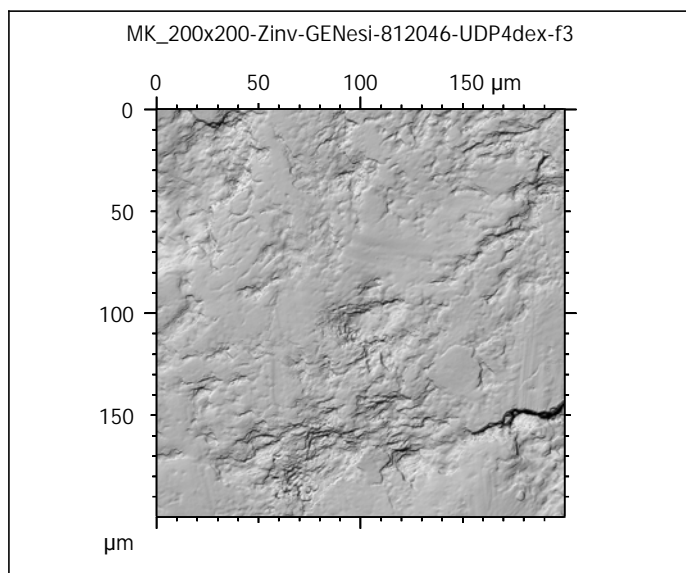
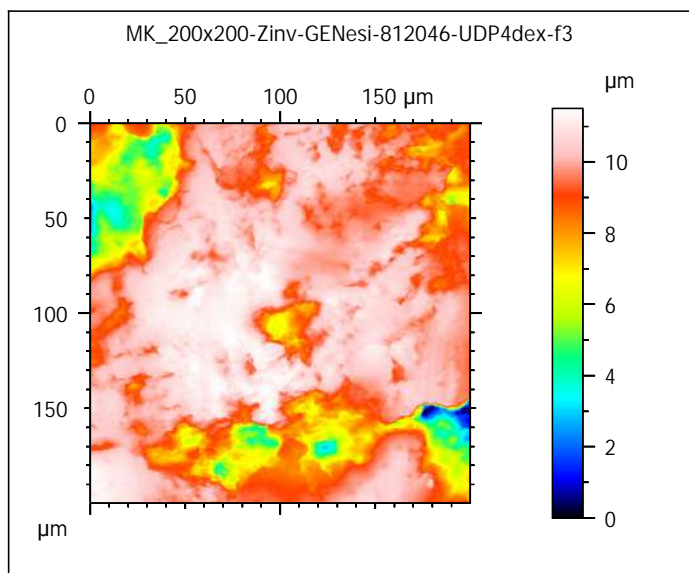
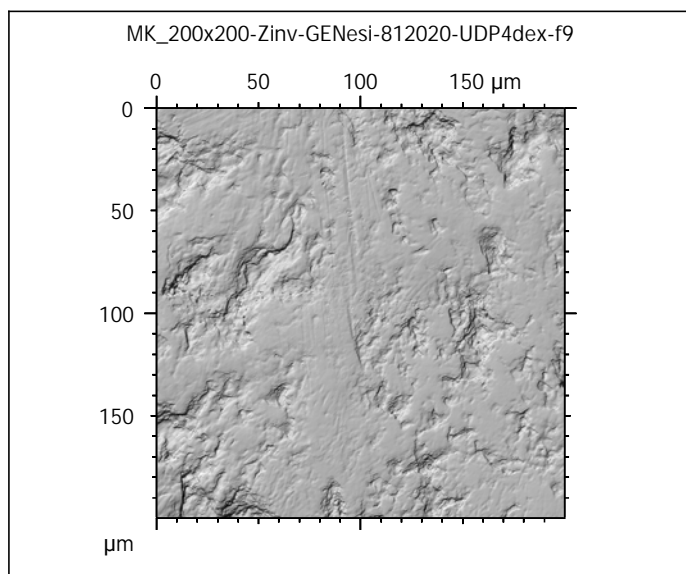
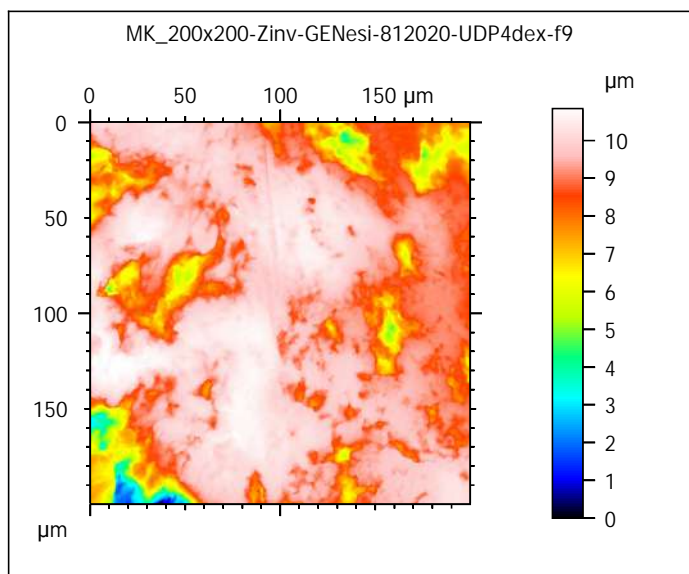
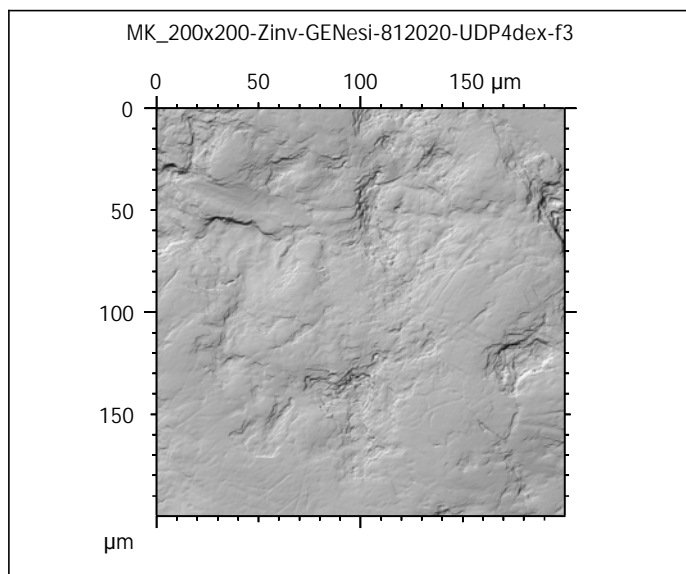
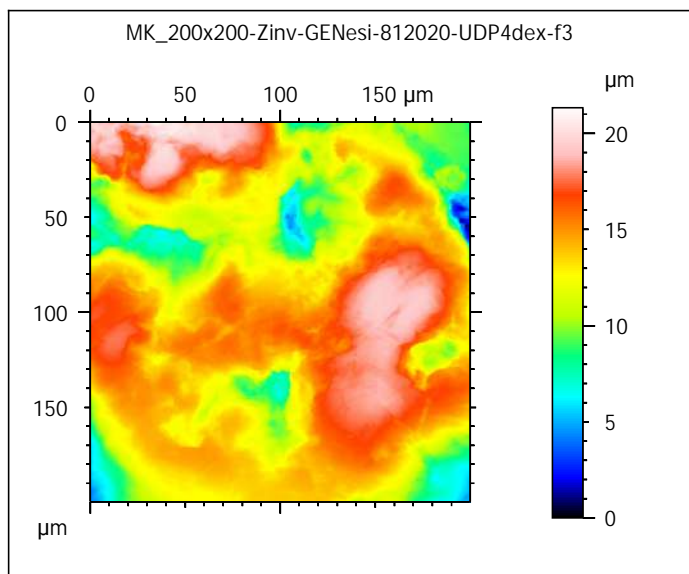


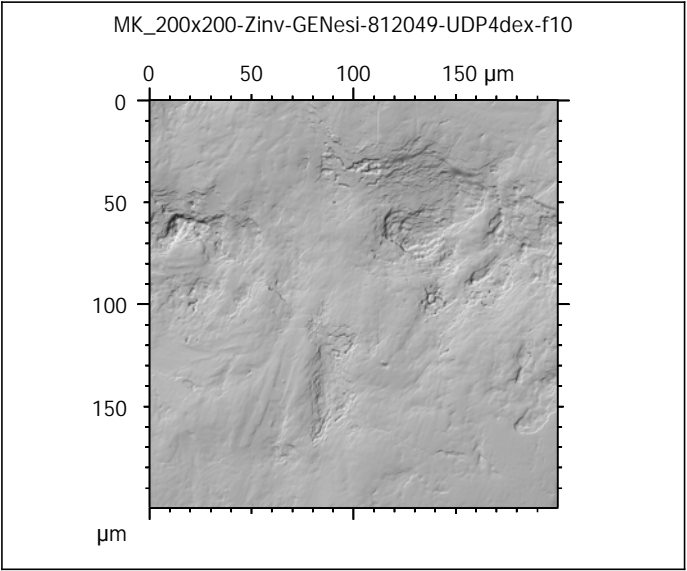
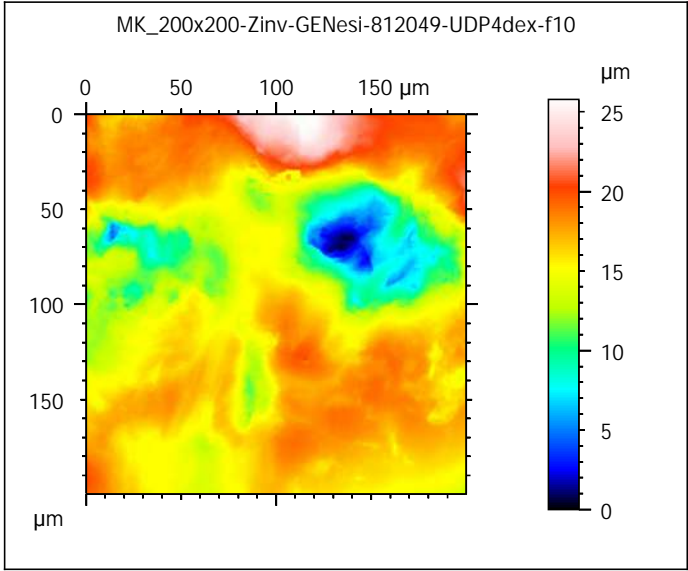
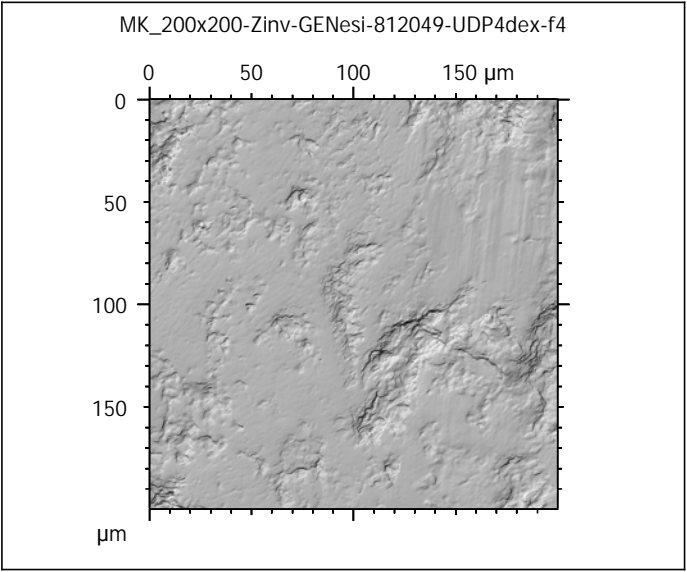
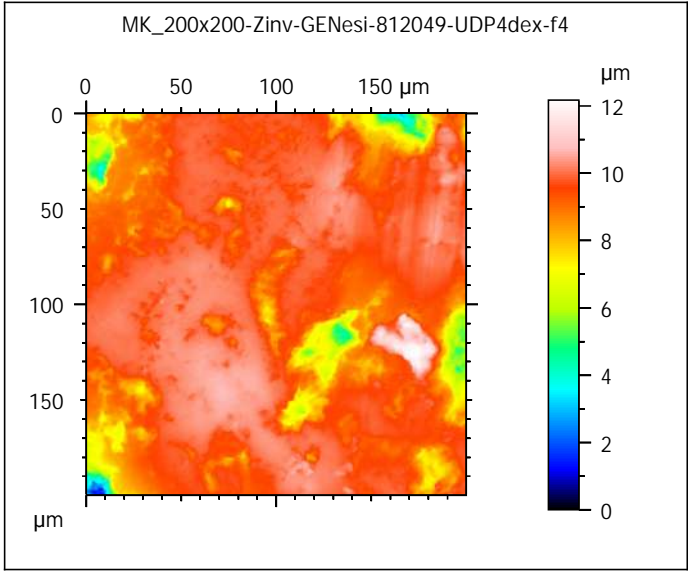
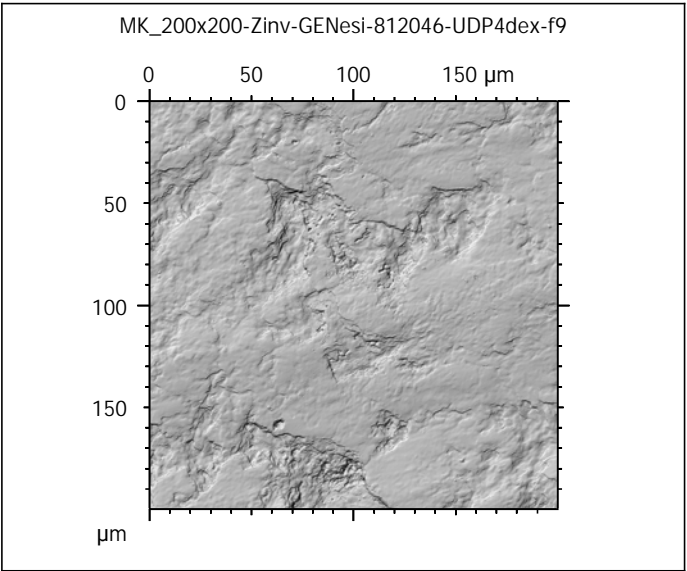
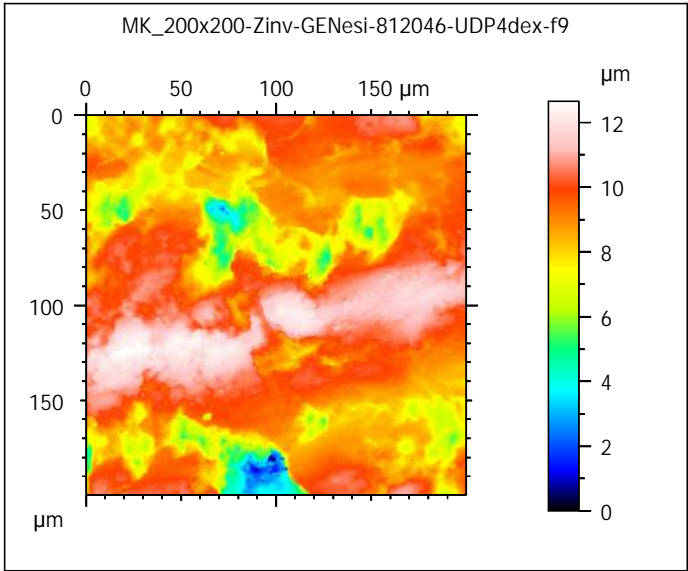


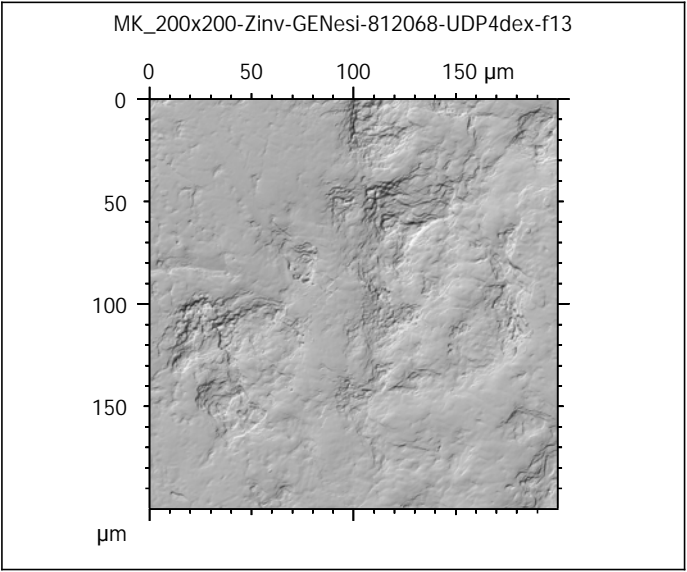
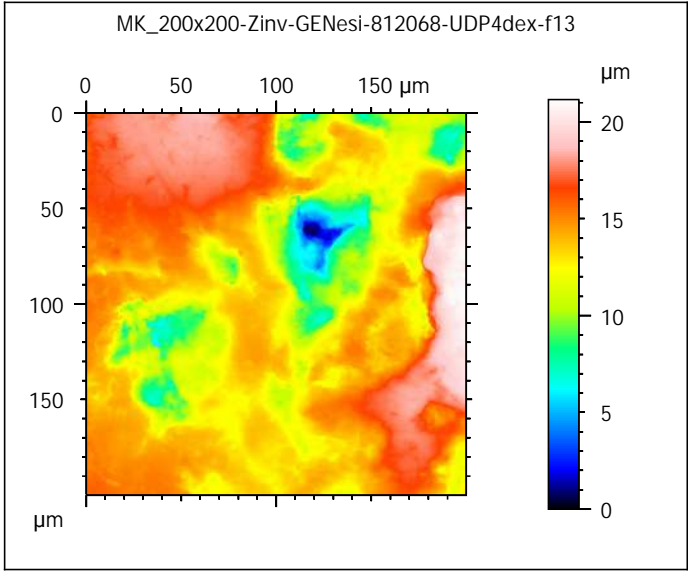
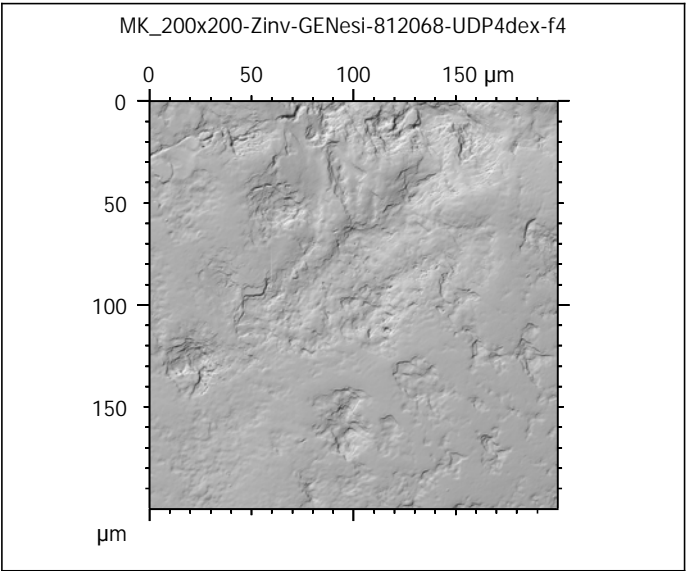
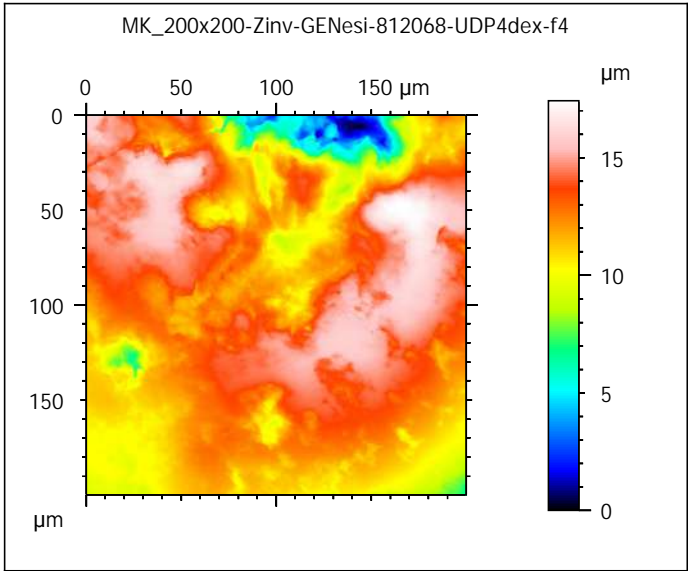












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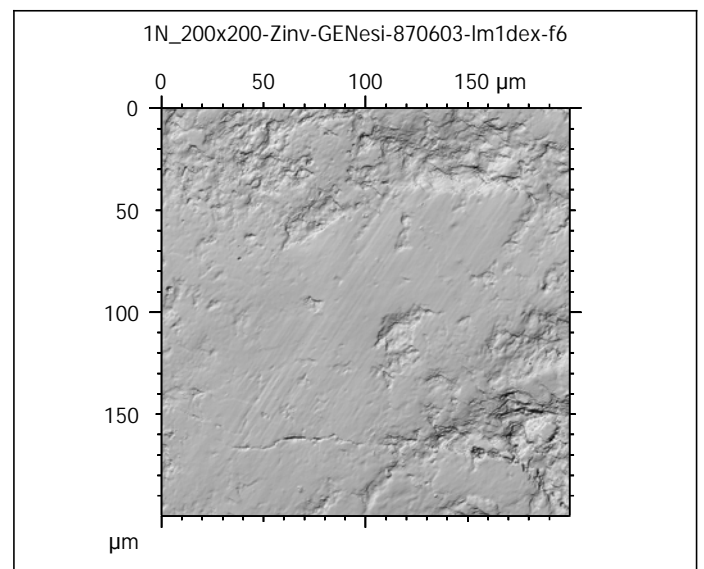
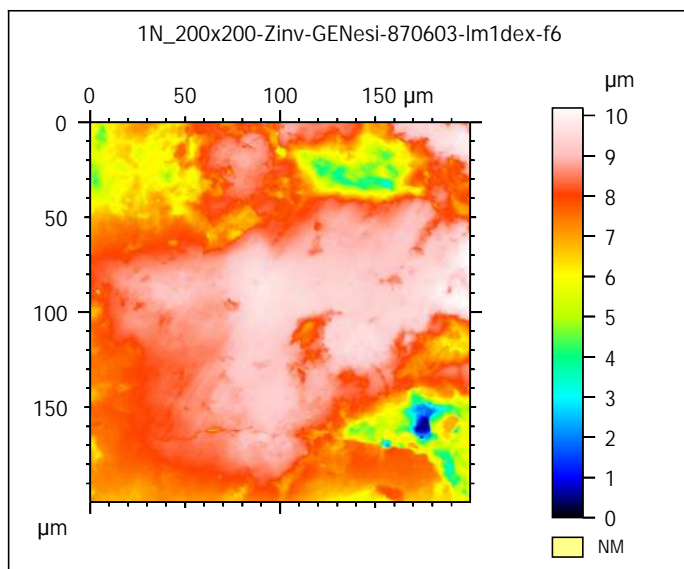
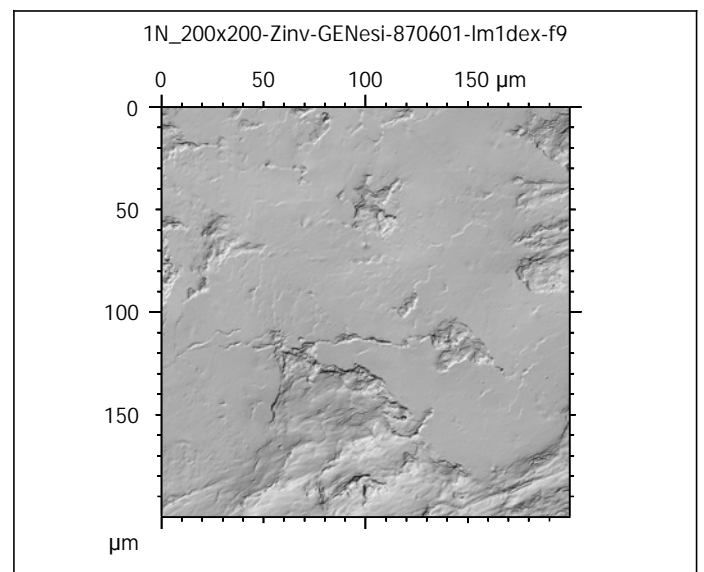
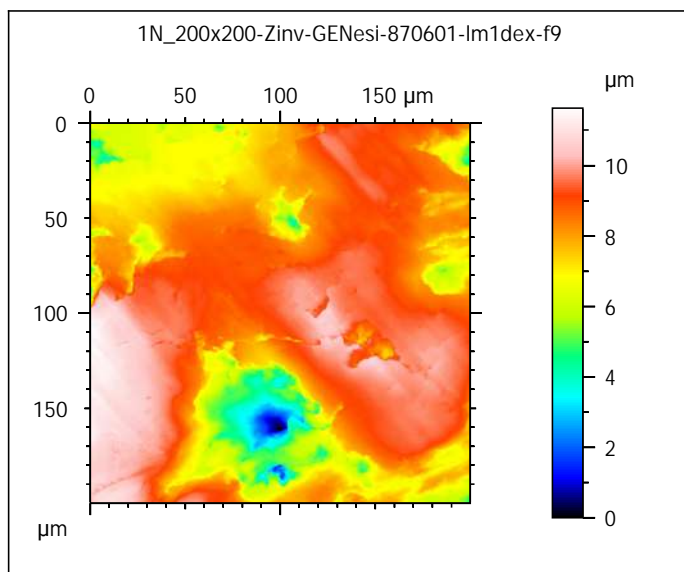
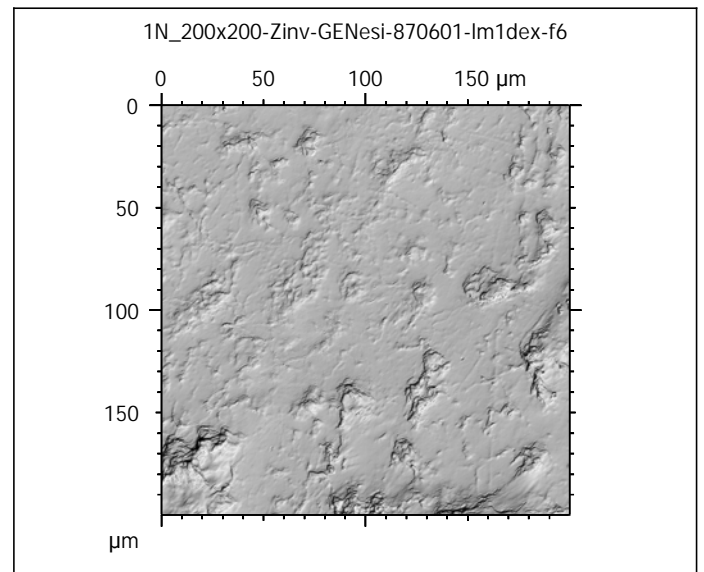
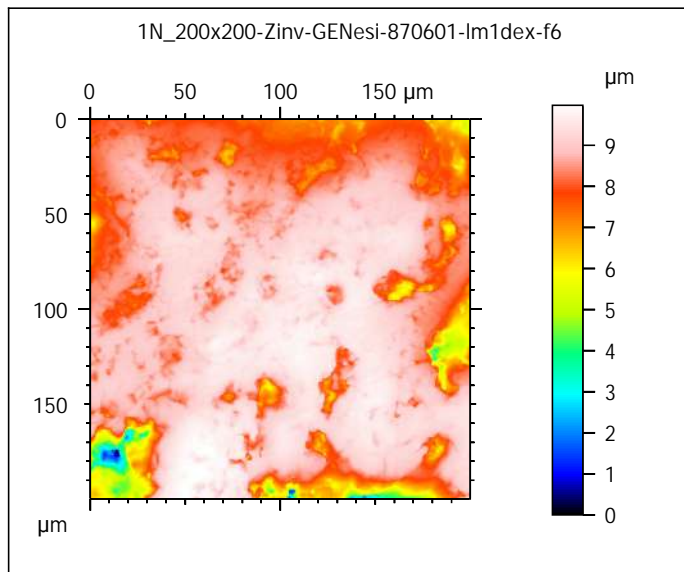
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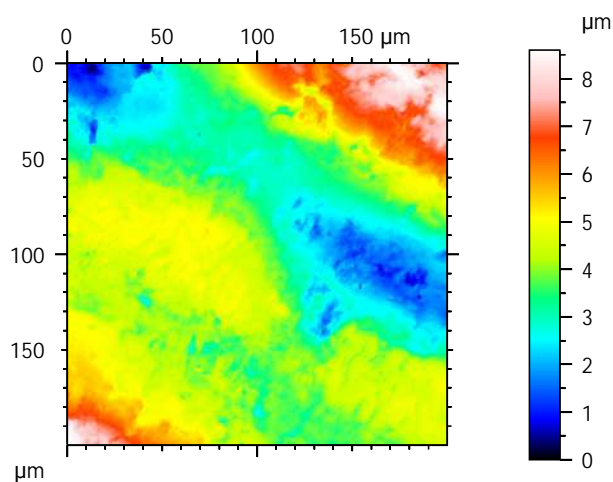
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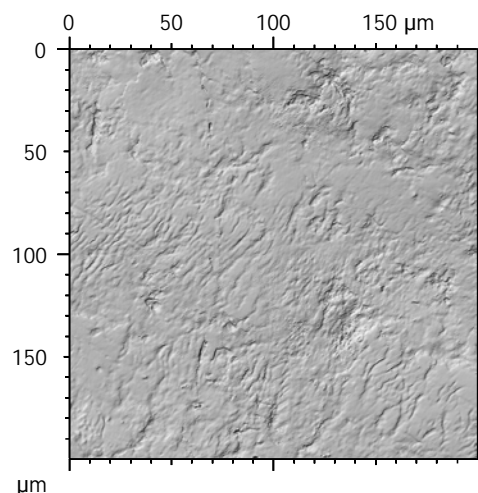
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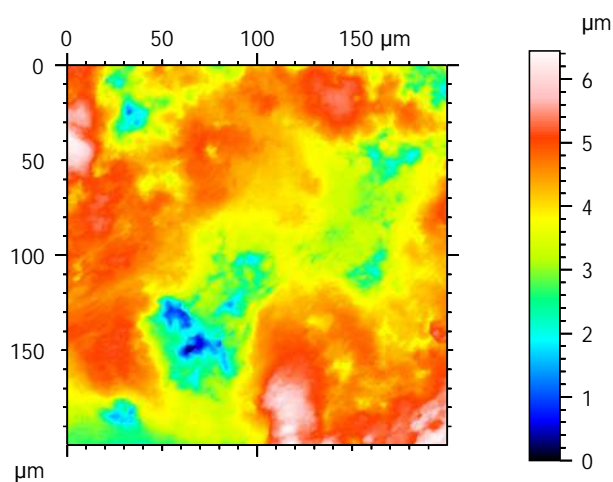
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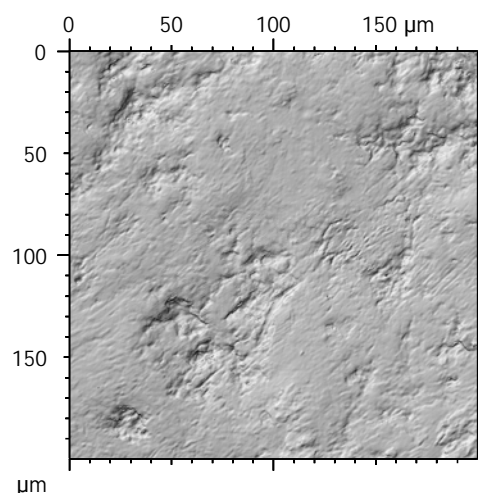
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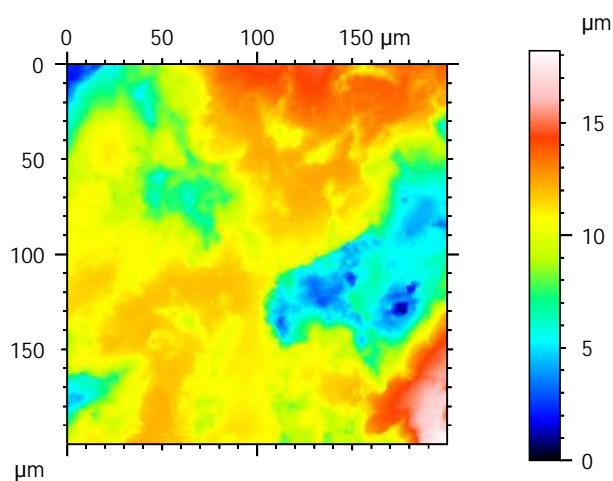
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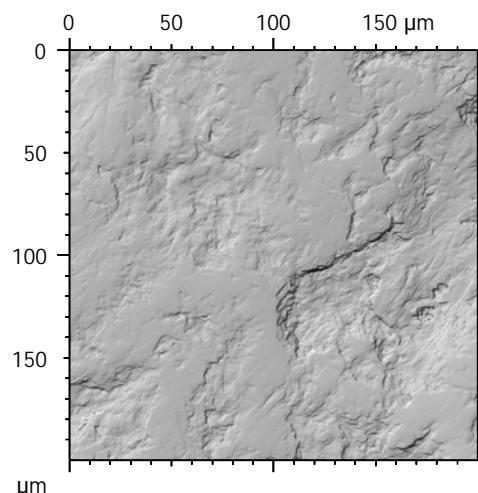
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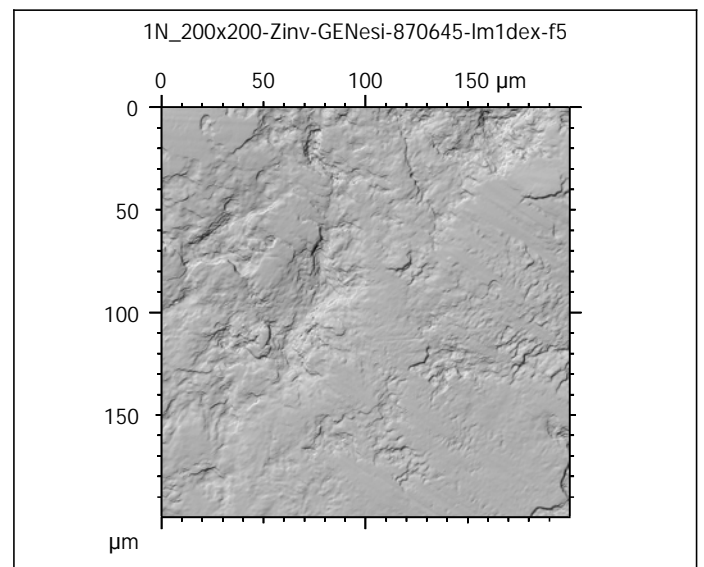
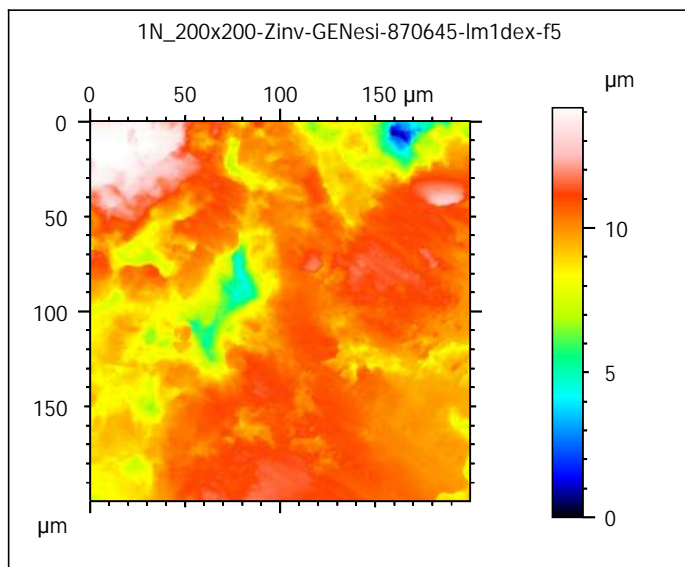
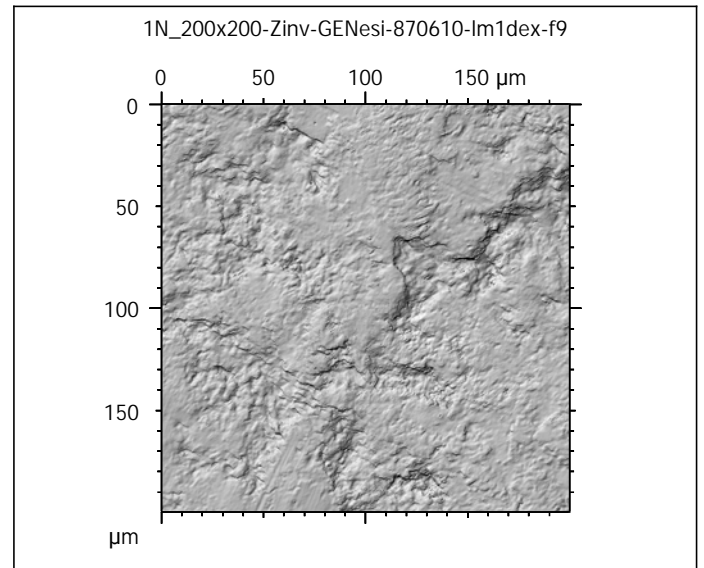
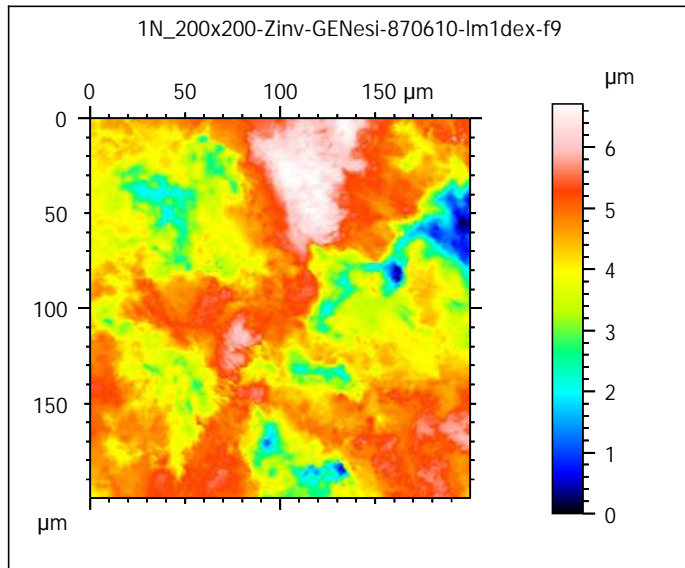
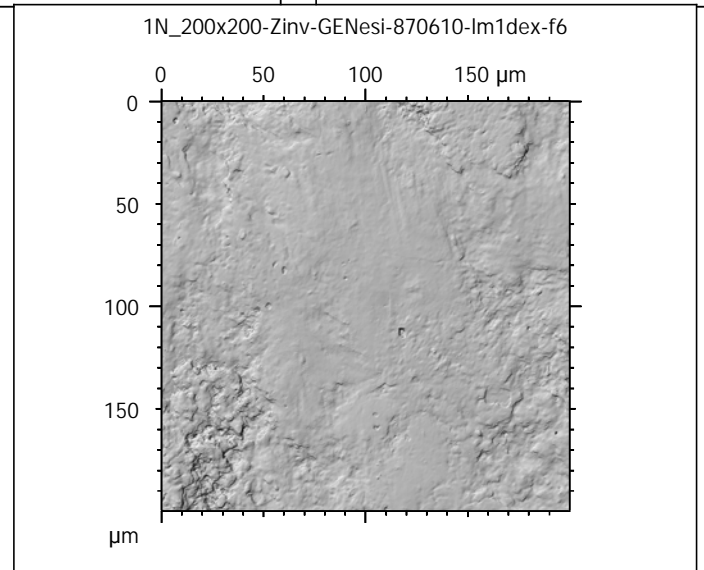
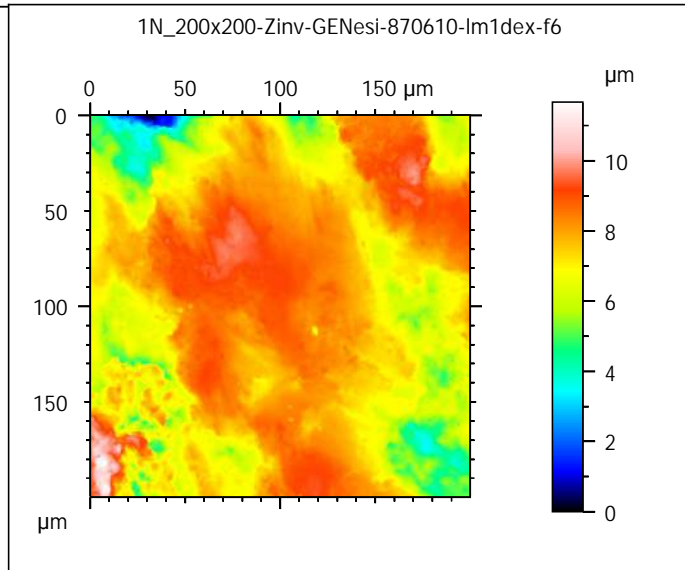
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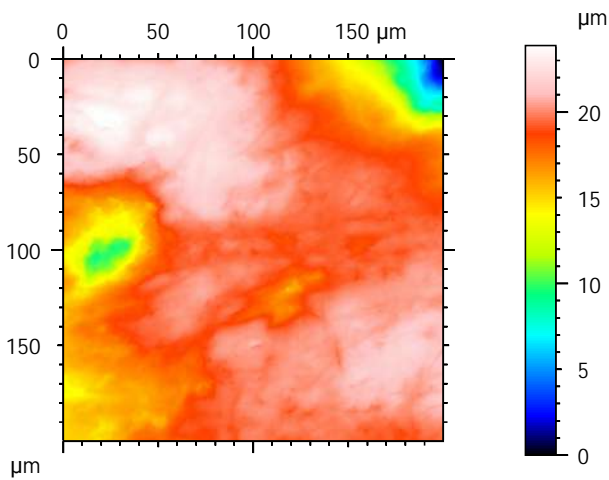
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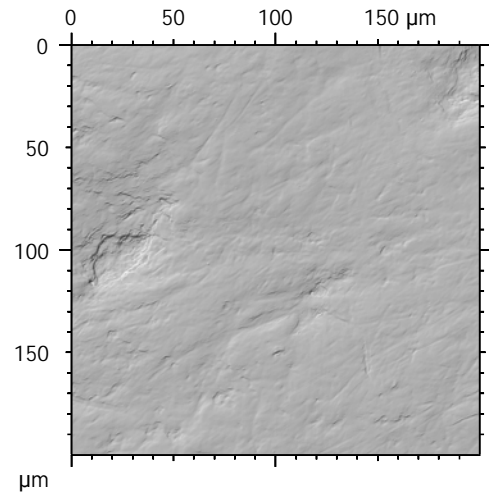
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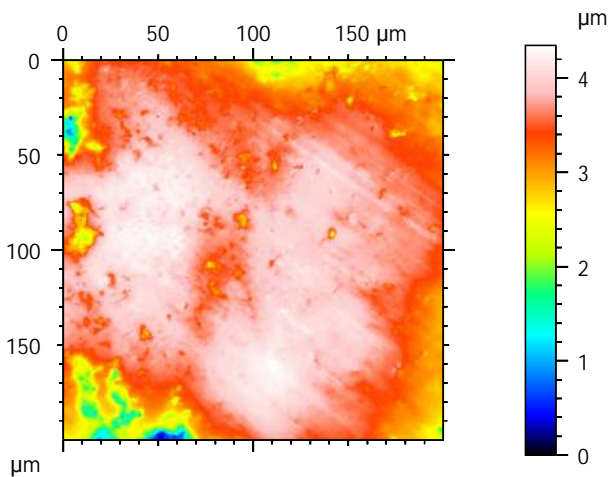
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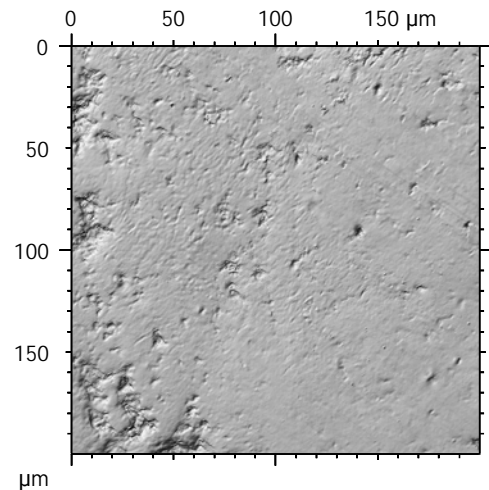
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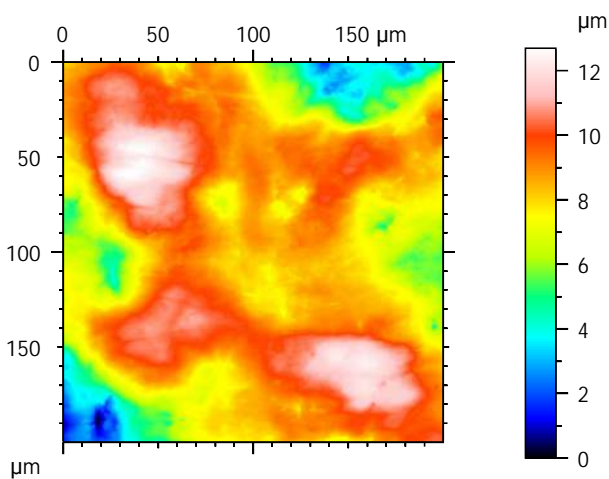
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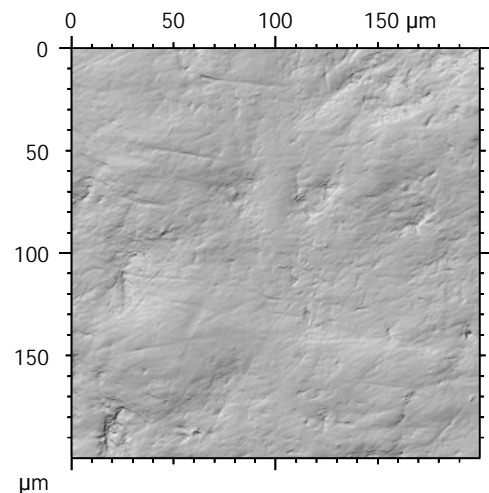
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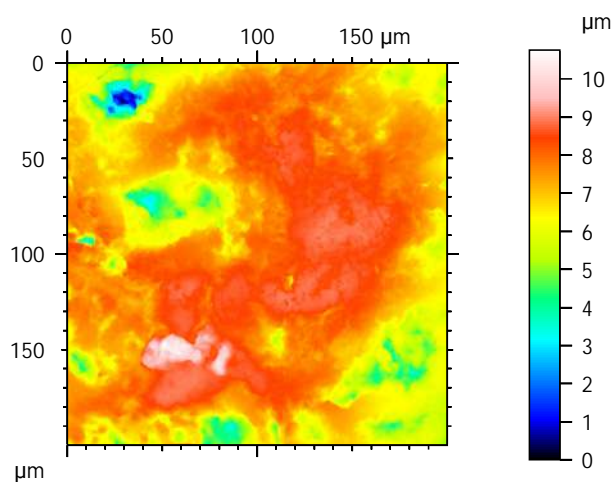
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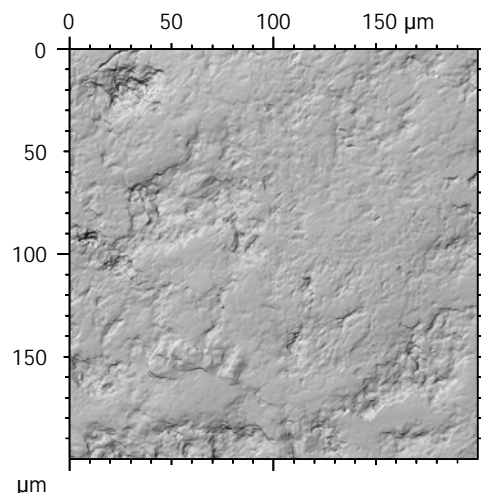
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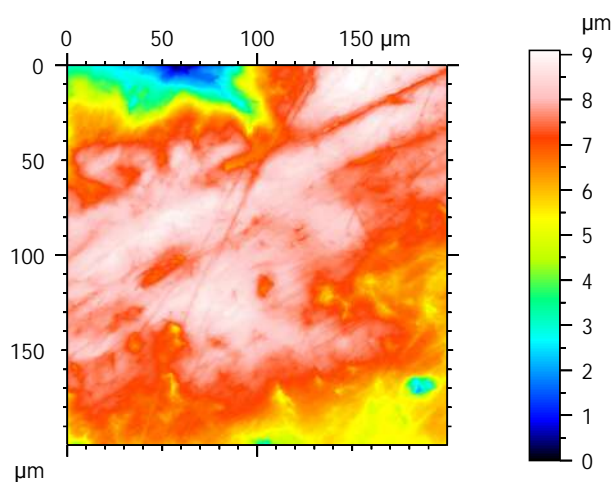
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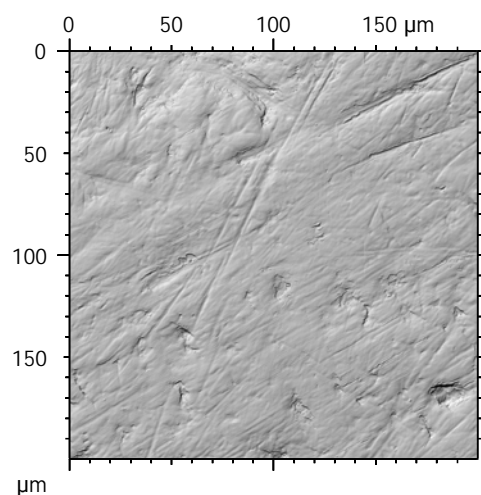
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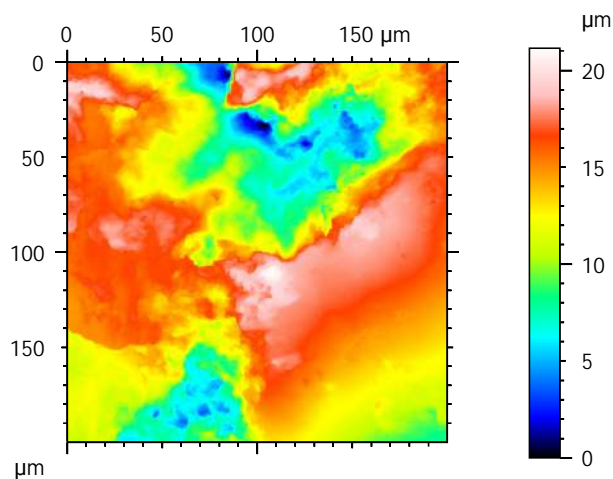
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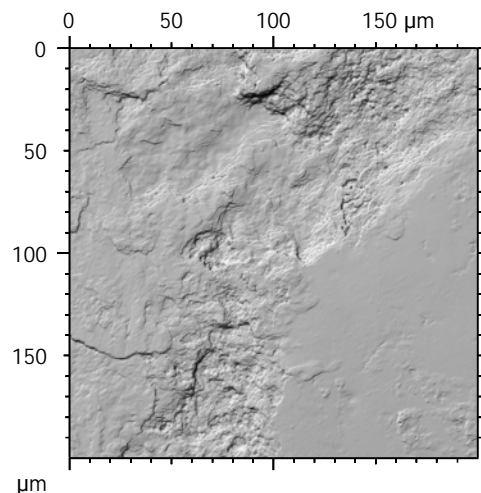
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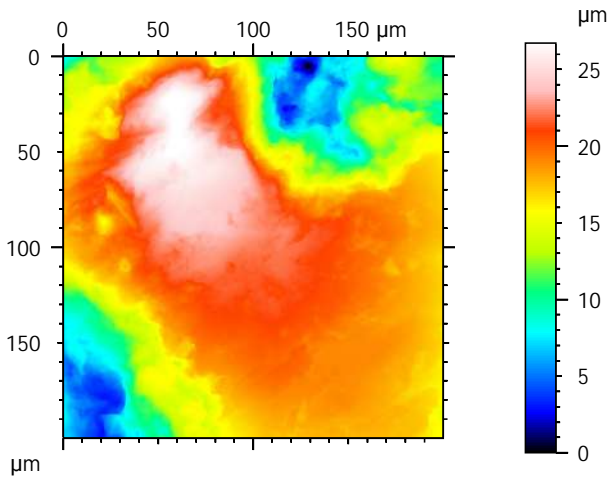
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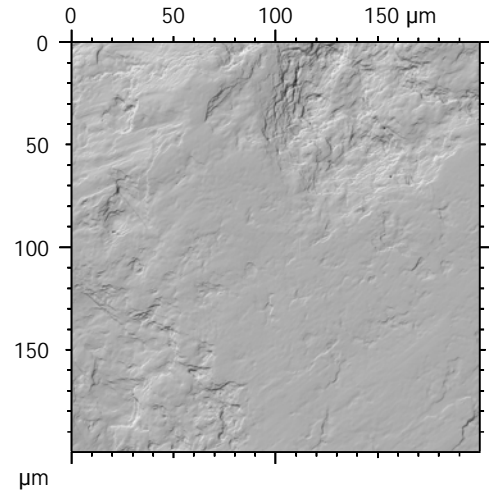
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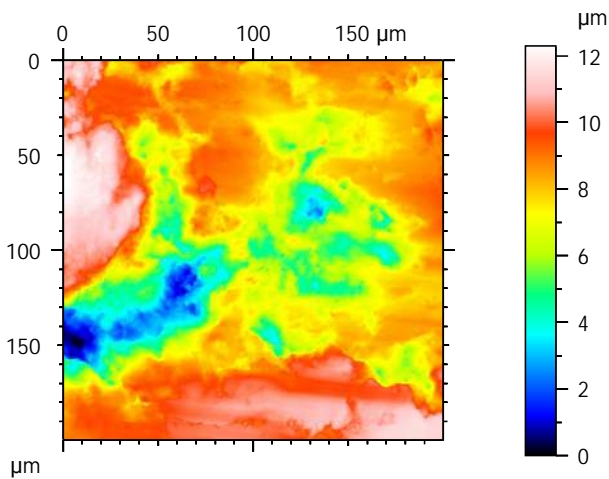
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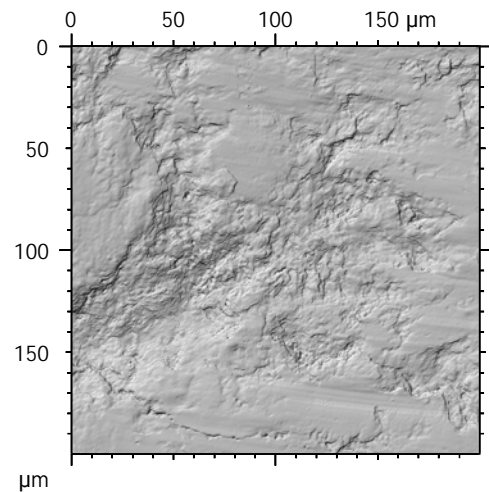
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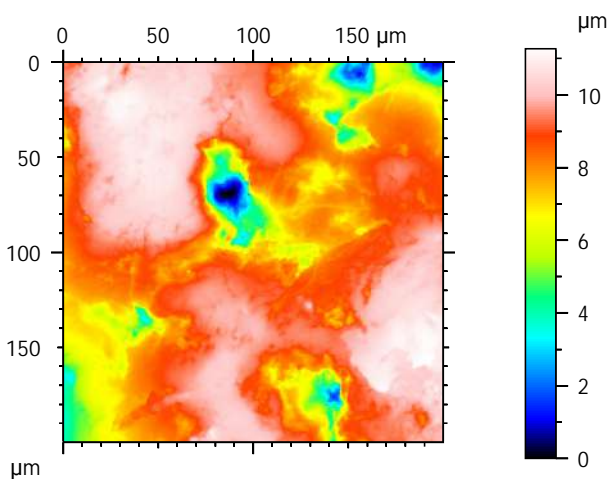
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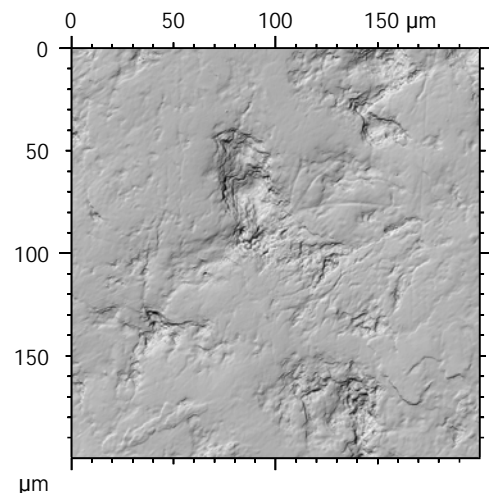
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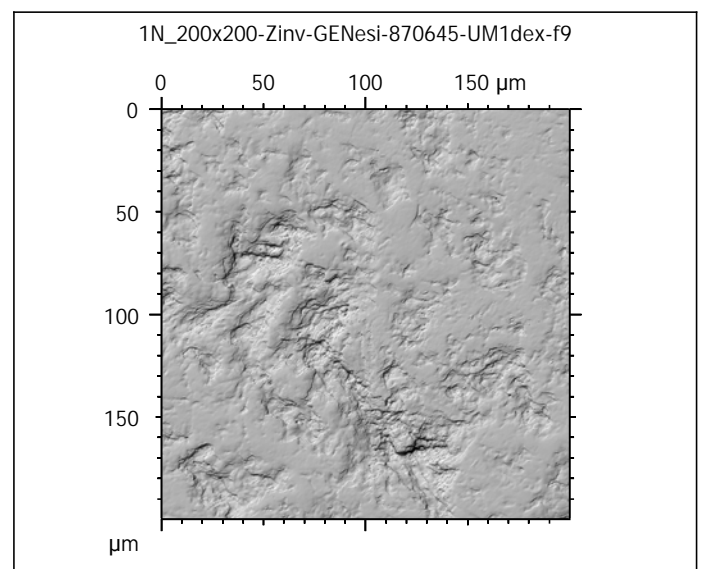
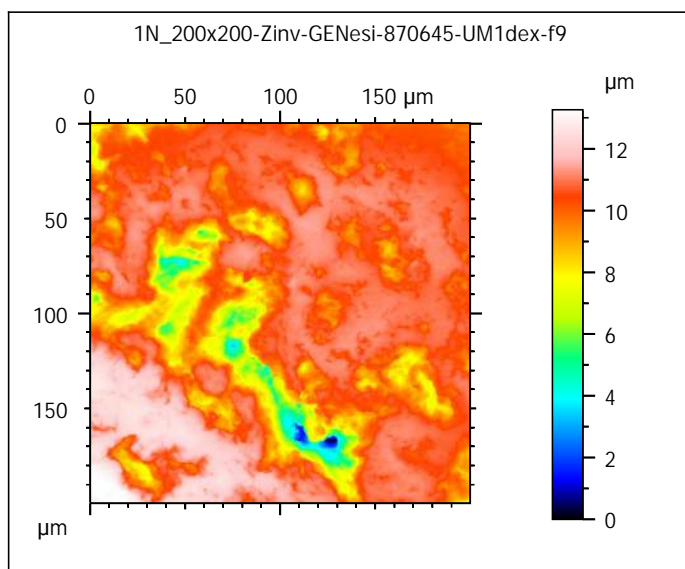
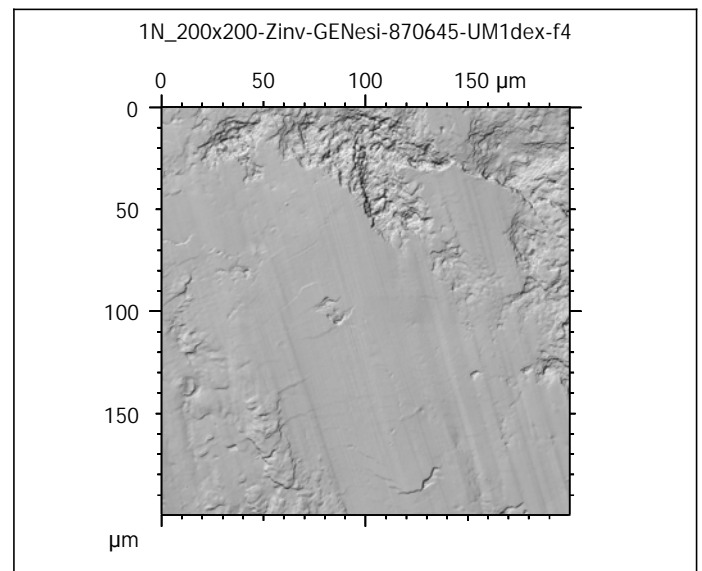
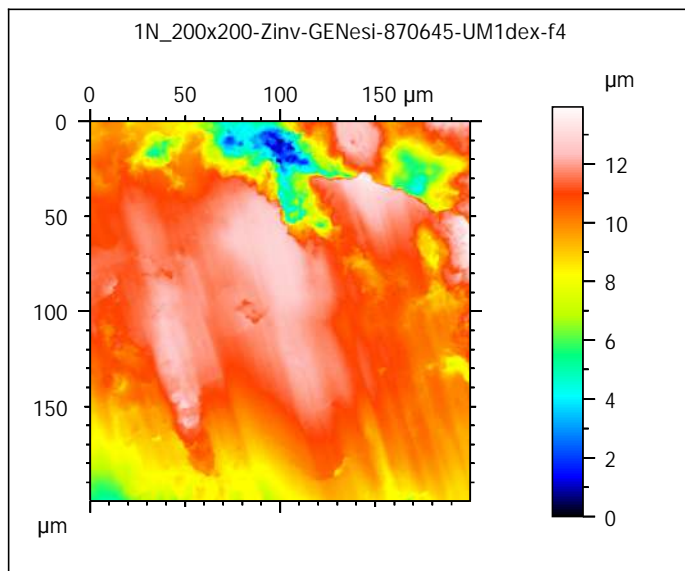
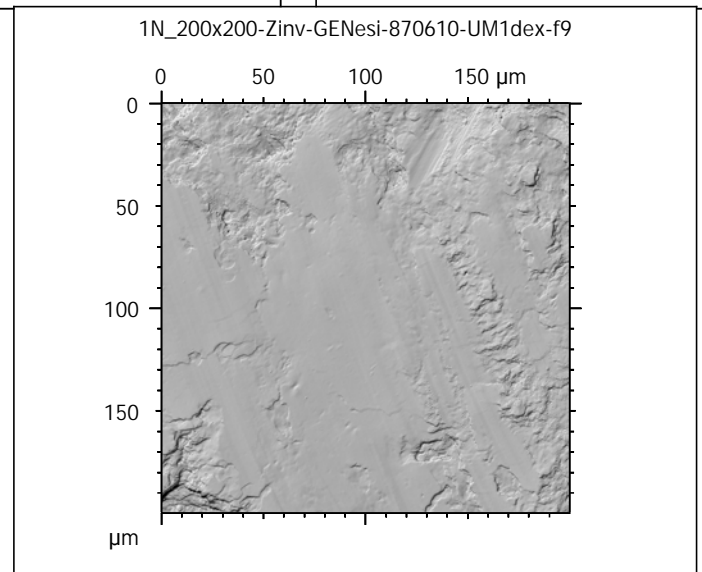
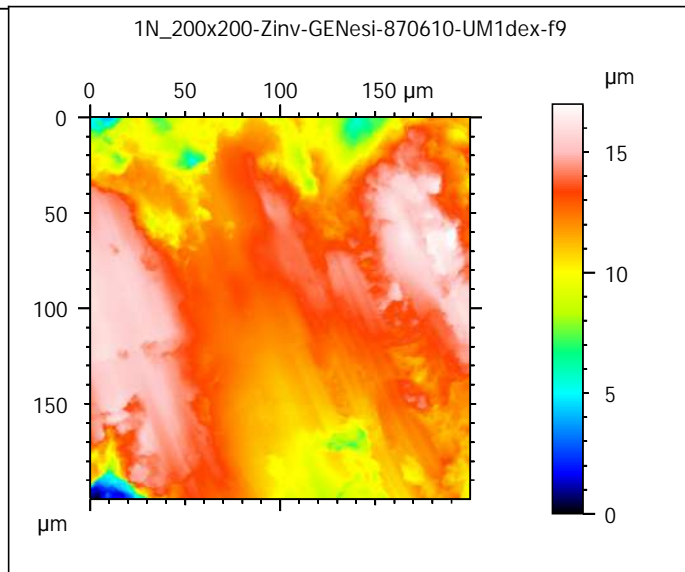
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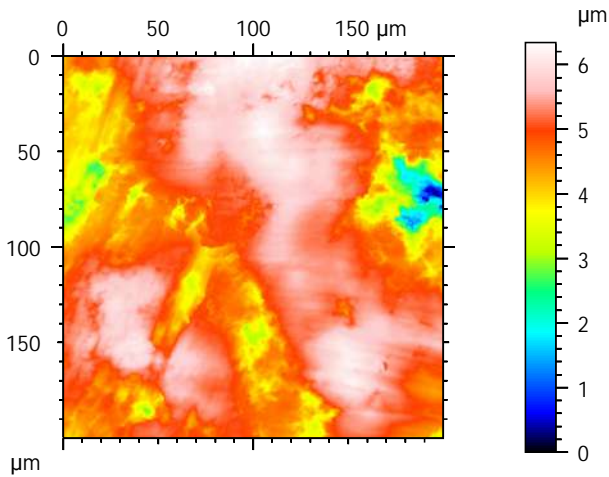
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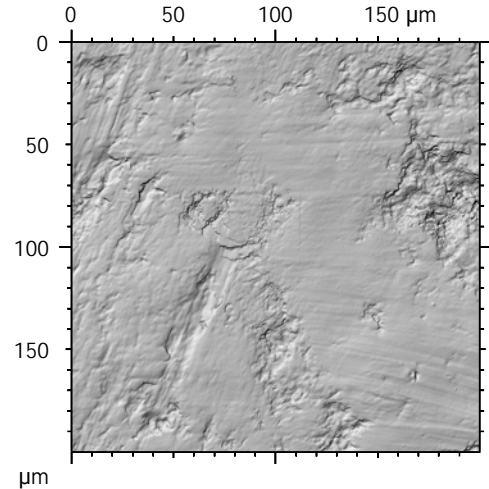
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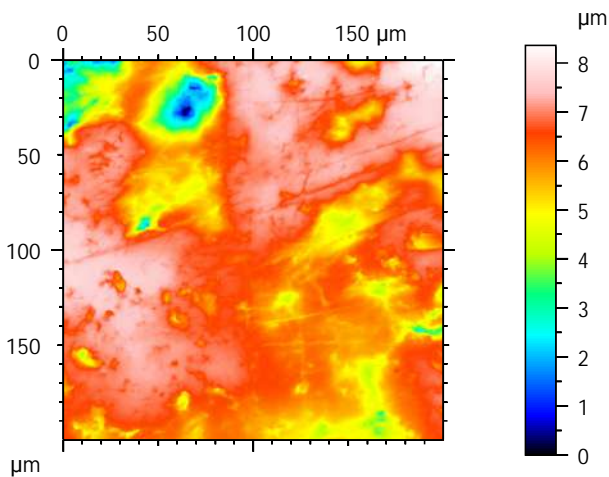
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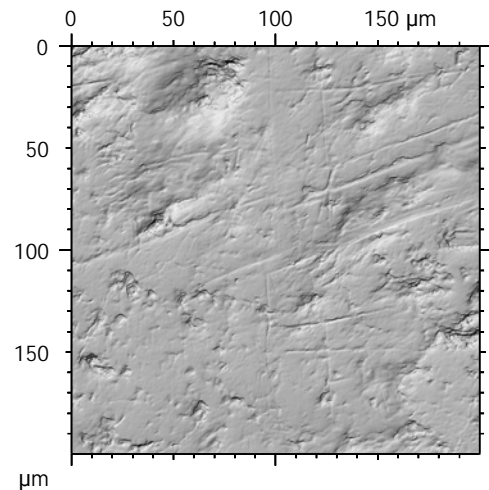
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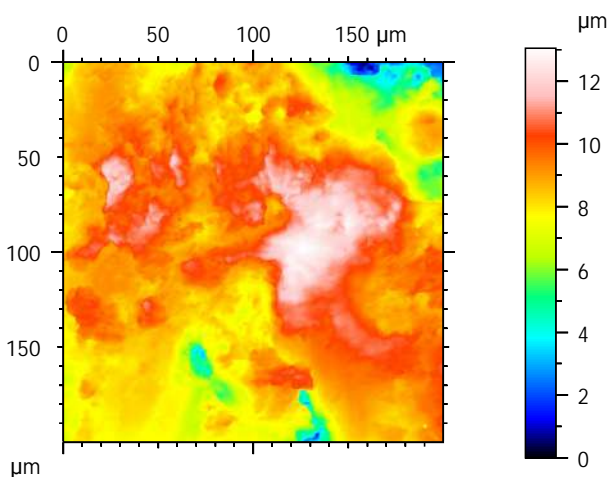
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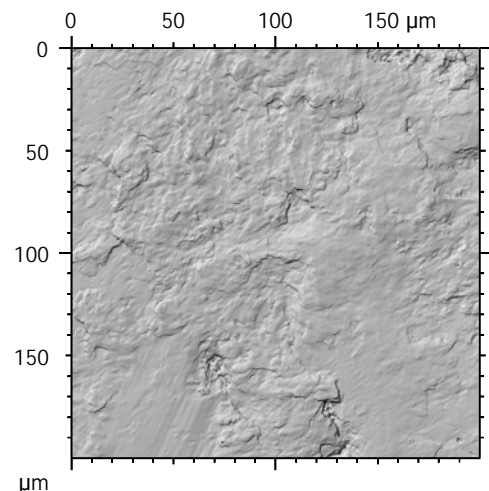
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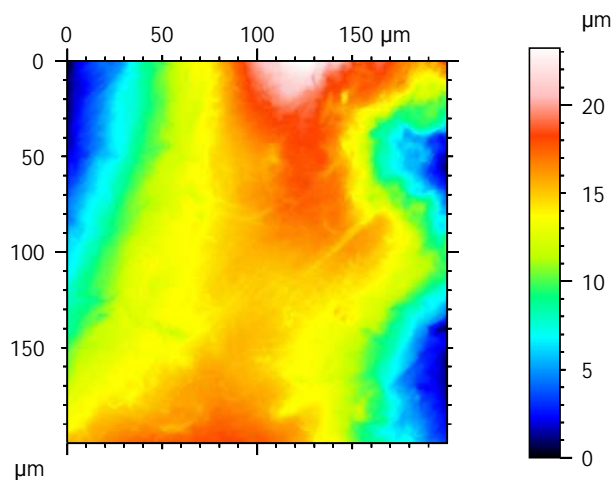
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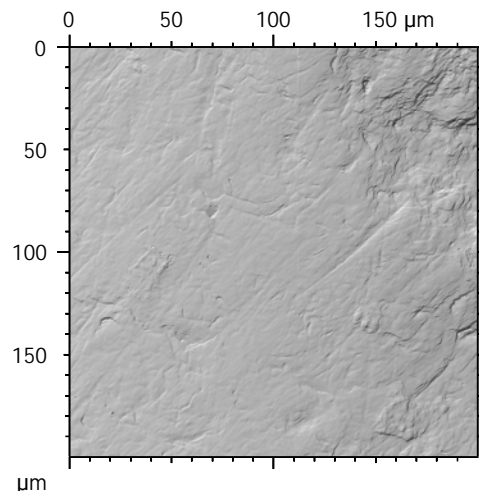
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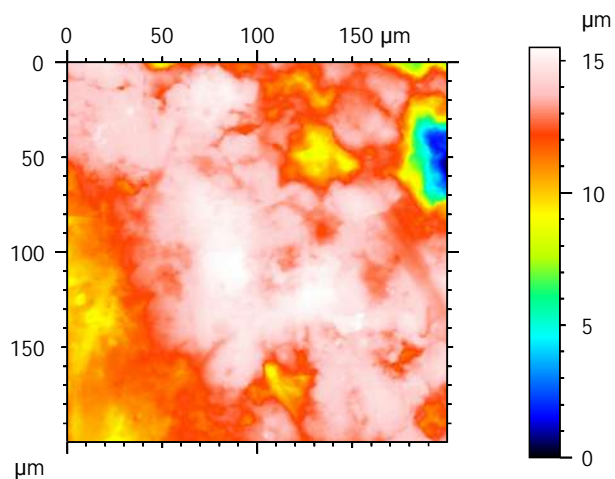
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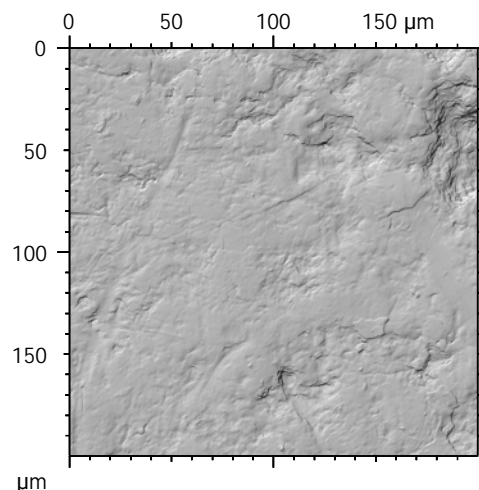
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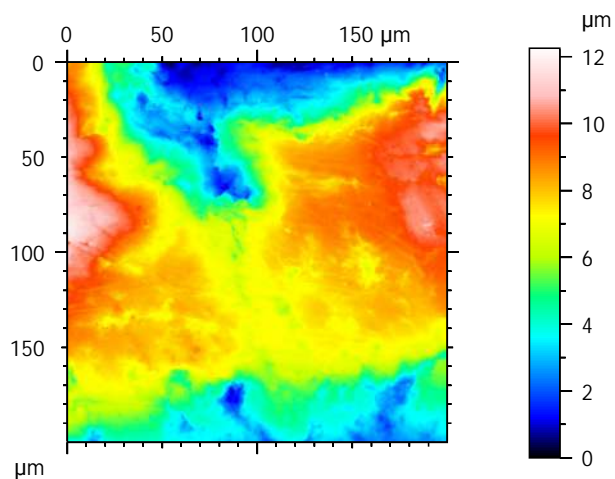
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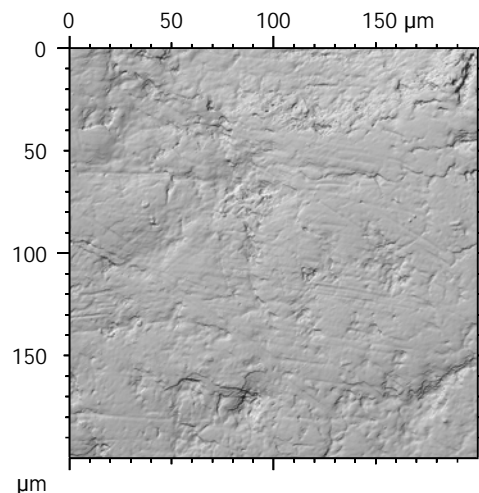
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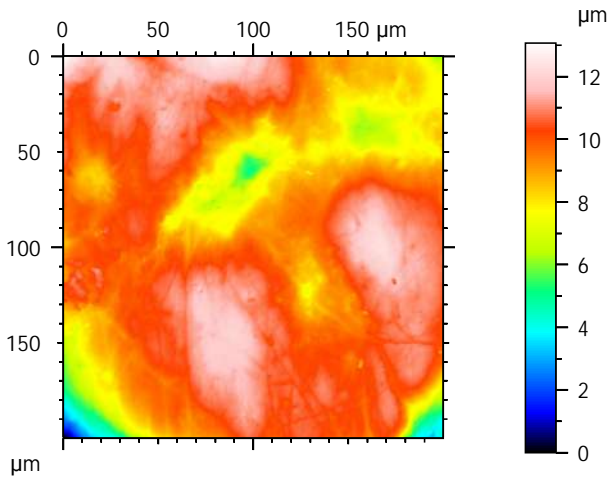
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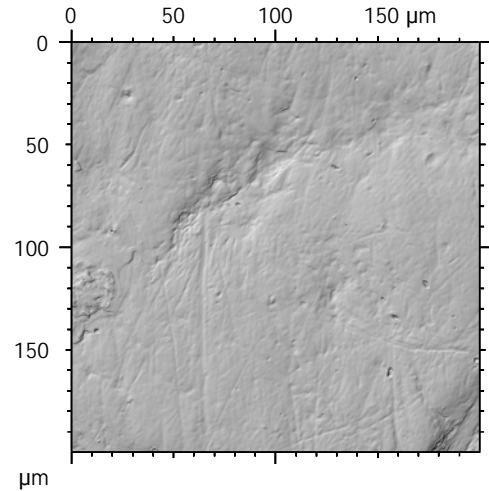
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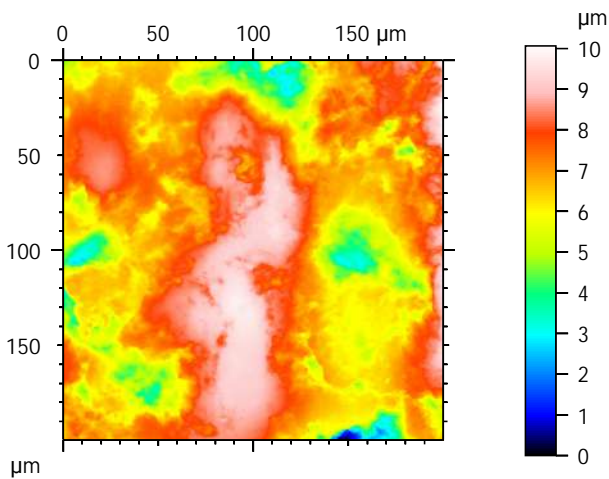
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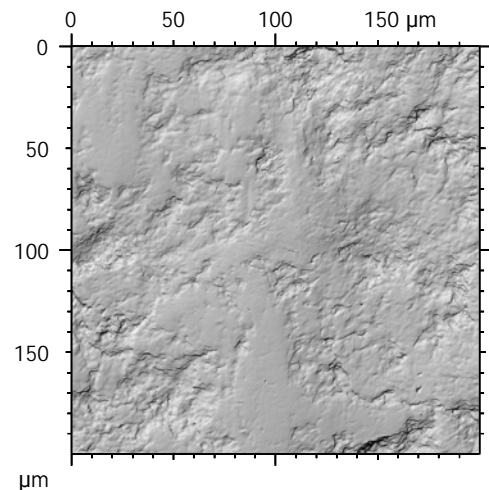
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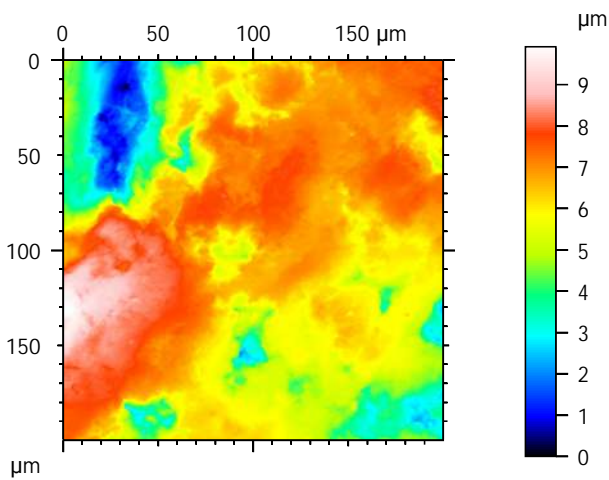
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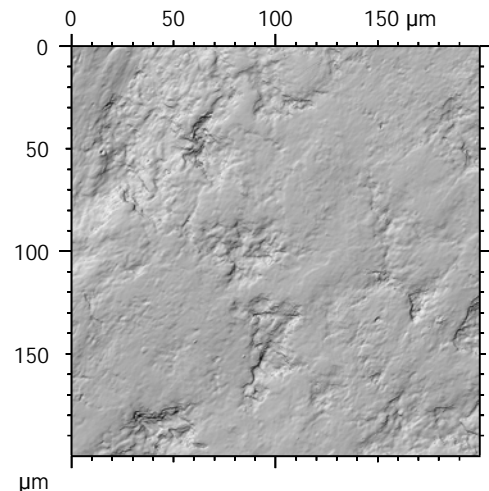
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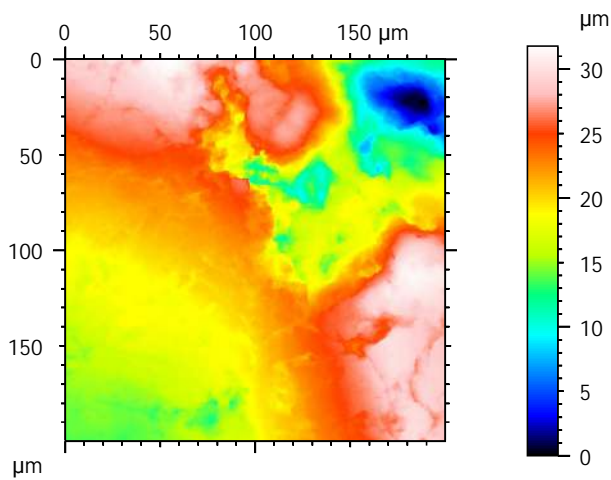
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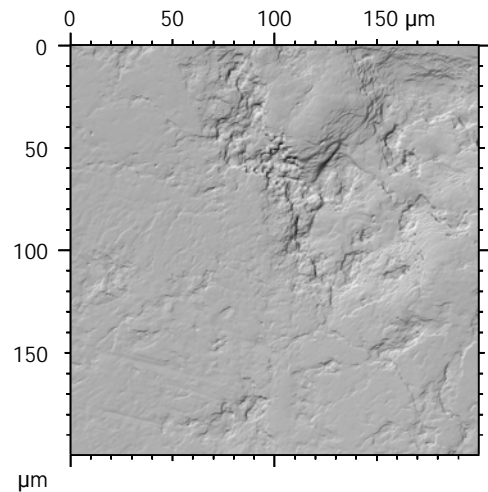
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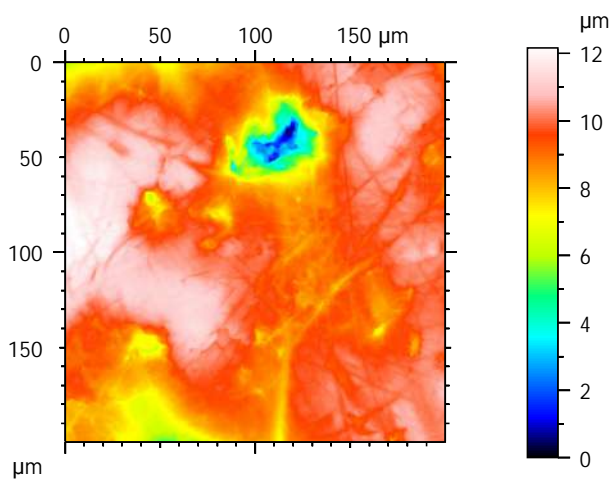
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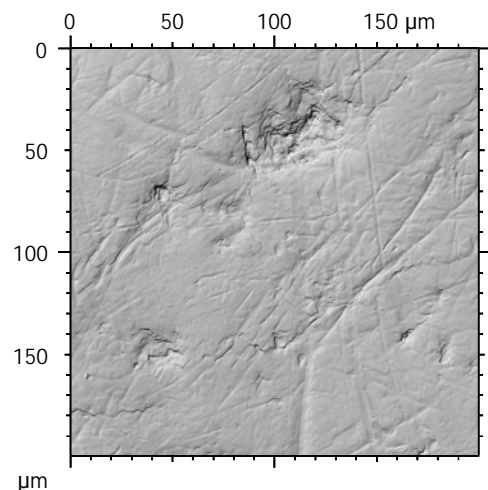
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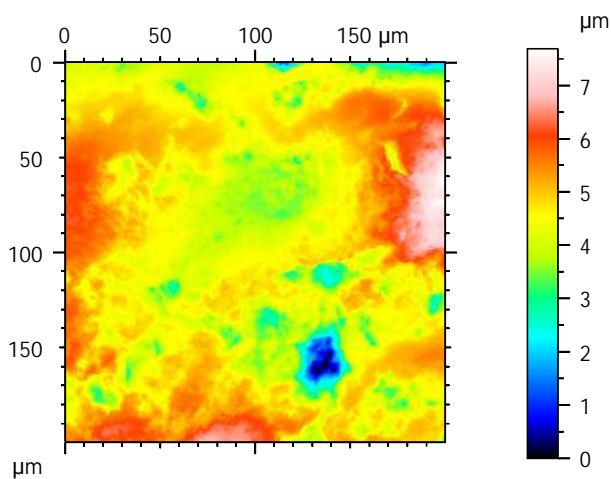
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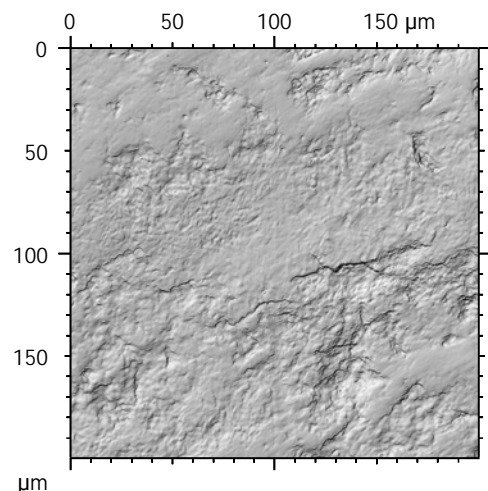
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