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1. INTRODUCTION

During the period 1st February to 23rd March, 1978, field investigations were undertaken in the south-west section of EL 4/61, from Stringer Creek in the south, to Nancy Creek in the north, and from the Pieman River, eastwards for some 4 kilometres. The area covered by the investigations is in the vicinity of 24 square kilometres.

These investigations involved a geochemical stream sediment survey, and an examination of a small aeromagnetic anomaly in the vicinity of Stringers Creek.

11. LOCATION AND ACCESS (Maps 1 and 1a)

EL 4/61 is situated on the north-west coast of Tasmania.

Schedule: Commencing at a point on the Waratah-Corinna Road whose co-ordinates are 354925 metres E. 5406720 metres N., thence northerly to 354175 metres E. 5416775 metres N., westerly to 343205 metres E. 5416650 metres N., southerly to 343660 metres E. 5377340 metres N., easterly to 352800 metres E. 5377445 metres N. northerly to 352495 metres E. 5403955 N (a point on the Waratah-Corinna Road) and thence north-easterly by that road to the point of commencement.

Access to and within the south-western portion of EL 4/61 is extremely limited. To the south, a H.E.C. track branches off the Zeehan Granville road some 27 kilometres from Zeehan, and terminates at the Pieman River, immediately upstream of Stringer Creek. The Waratah-Corinna Road cuts through the centre of E.L.4/61 terminating at the Pieman River approx. 20 kilometres from its mouth. The only access between Corinna and Stringers Creek is the Pieman River which follows the western boundary of the E.L. south of Nancy Creek.

During the course of this field investigation, foot traverses were made up to 4 kilometres east of the Pieman River.

#### III. PHYSIOGRAPHY AND TOPOGRAPHY (Map 1a)

The area investigated forms part of a peneplain, up to 200 metres above sea-level, lying to the west of the Meredith Range and Mt. Livingstone. The undenuded parts of this peneplain are covered with Tertiary sediments. Some of these sediments contain gold, but few rich concentrates are known.

The peneplain is very minutely dissected by many westward flowing tributaries of the Pieman and their affluents e.g. Meredith and Paradise Rivers. The resultant landscape is extremely rugged and foreboding.

#### IV. RAINFALL AND VEGETATION

The annual rainfall is in excess of 200 millimetres and is relatively evenly distributed throughout the year. February and March are usually the driest months with rivers and creeks generally at their lowest levels. Thus, the stream sediment sampling programme was carried out at this time.

Vegetation is, in the main, very thick, temperate, rain forest. Consequently progress in the field is slow.

#### V. GEOLOGY (Map 2)

The area with which this report deals is occupied by a belt of metamorphic rocks consisting of pelitic schist, greenschist and amphibolite, and known as the "Whyte Schist". This belt of metamorphic rocks, of Precambrian Age, extends from Granville Harbour in the south-west, to north of Savage River and contains the Savage River Magnetite deposits, associated volcanics and intrusives. (See Savage River Report 1975). Further to the north these rocks are known as the Keith Metamorphics and extend to Wynyard on the North West Coast. This ribbon-like belt of sheared metamorphic rocks, stretching for some 115 kilometres north-north east across the north-west corner of Tasmania, has been termed the "Arthur Lineament" (Formation of Arthur Lineament is outlined in the Savage River Report 1975).

VI. GEOCHEMICAL SURVEY (Maps 3, 4 & 5)

(i) A stream sediment survey was carried out over an area of some 24 square kilometres. The onset of heavy rains in late March with the resultant rapid rise in water levels of all creeks, precipitated the termination of the sampling programme for the season.

(ii) Collection and Preparation of Stream Sediments.

Samples of wet stream sediments were collected from recent and active alluvium. Samples were collected at approximately 400 metre intervals along major and minor tributaries of the Pieman River. Location of samples was plotted on 1 to 40,000 scale aerial photographs in the field, and the samples dried at base camp as follows:

- + 40 mesh - panned for Au and Sn before rejection
- 40 + 80 mesh - retained in sample bags
- 80 mesh - despatched to Tetchem Laboratories, Cairns for analyses.

Lack of -80 mesh material in the stream sediments was the major problem in the sampling programme, there being insufficient material present to allow for Au (Gold) determinations.

(iii) Geochemical Analyses.

Stream sediments of -80 mesh were analysed for A.A.A. for Copper, Lead, Zinc and Silver at the Tetchem Laboratories in Cairns. There was not sufficient sample for Au (Gold) determinations on the sediments collected from the Nancy Creek- Paradise River area - an area of old alluvial workings.

Generally, the accuracy of analyses would be  $\pm 15\%$ . Lower limits of detection of various elements are as follows.

Copper	2 parts per million
Lead	3 parts per million
Zinc	3 parts per million
Ag	0.5 parts per million

(iv) Statistical Evaluation of Analyses (Graphs 1, 2 & 3)

Sample locations were plotted on a base map of 1" to 1/2 mile, compiled by the former Chief Mining Engineer at Savage River, J.P. Sheehan (The insignificant Ag (silver) values did not warrant a statistical evaluation). The concentration of metallic ions of copper, lead and zinc are shown beneath each sample number on the appropriate plans.

Analytical results were studied statistically using the Cumulative Frequency method involving medians and quartiles. (See Appendix "A"). Details of calculations are attached to Graph 1 (Cu) Graph 2 (Pb) and Graph 3 (Zn).

A summary of the median value, standard deviation and lowest anomalous value for the various elements are given below.

<u>No. of Samples.</u>	<u>Elements.</u>	<u>Median</u>	<u>Standard Deviation</u>	<u>Lowest Anomalous Value.</u>
62	Copper	5.6 ppm*	5.85 ppm*	29.0 ppm*
37	Lead	6.0ppm*	3.3 ppm *	19.2 ppm*
37	Zinc	14.8 ppm*	14.4 ppm*	72.4 ppm*

\* ppm = parts per million.

(v) Conclusions on Stream Sediment Survey

Analyses were obtained on 62 samples collected from major and minor tributaries of the Pieman River.\* The minimum and maximum values of copper, lead and zinc are as follows.

<u>Element</u>	<u>Minimum (ppm)</u>	<u>Maximum (ppm)</u>
Copper	2	42
Lead	3	22
Zinc	6	105

\* This gives a density of approximately 2.5 samples per sq. kilometre.

Samples which are computed to be anomalous are listed below.

<u>Element</u>	<u>Anomalous Value</u>
Copper	Sample No. 52 (42 ppm)
Lead	Sample No. 52 (22 ppm)
Zinc	Sample No. 52 (105 ppm) and No. 59 (86 ppm)

These anomalous values are of low rank and do not offer any indication of a major ore bearing horizon. These results are not unexpected as, apart from the occurrence of minor quantities of chalcopyrite in pyrite zones of the large Magnetite deposits, no base metal mineralization of note is known to occur within the Precambrian Whyte schist.

#### VII. GEOPHYSICAL - MAGNETIC - SURVEY (Maps 6, 7 & 8)

(i) In 1956, the B.M.R. undertook an aeromagnetic survey over the southern half of EL 4/61 from north of Savage River, south to the southern boundary of EL 4/61. (See Map G 288-19, B.M.R. Report No. 1962/116 - Map 6 this Report). Three significant magnetic anomalies were outlined, corresponding to the three magnetic deposits of Savage River, Long Plains and Rocky River. A smaller anomaly was outlined to the south-south west of Rocky River, approximately two kilometres north-north east of the junction of Stringer Creek with the Pieman River. It was decided to investigate this anomaly to try to determine its cause.

#### (ii) Method of Investigation.

The position of the aeromagnetic anomaly was plotted, as accurately as possible, on the Pieman 1:100,000 topographic sheet. Co-ordinates were calculated for the approximate centre of the anomaly. A track was then cut and surveyed by theodolite for some two kilometres, from the Pieman River to the position calculated as being the centre of the anomaly. Magnetometer readings were then taken at intervals of approximately 25 metres, along the length of the surveyed track using a McPhar Fluxgate portable magnetometer.

Readings were then plotted on a graph to outline any anomalous values present (Map 8).

(iii) Results of Survey (Map 8)

A base reading was taken at the Pieman River - Stringers Creek junction - outside the expected anomalous zone - a value of 250 gammas being obtained. Seventy-five readings were taken along the magnetic traverse, and of these 74 were positive values and one a negative value. This negative reading of minus 3900 gammas occurs at station PG 10 and is probably due to a dyke.

A small anomalous zone was outlined between survey stations PG 28 and PG 30 and has a maximum value of 4800 gammas. Although no outcrops are present this anomaly is probably caused by some minor quantity of magnetic material. When compared to the ground magnetic values of the Rocky River magnetite deposit, which are in excess of 15,000  $\gamma$ , this anomaly is of little significance.

The surveyed traverse line terminated at a small creek. Thirty metres downstream from this point, an eleven metre zone of sheared amphibolite (chloritic schist) outcrops. This outcrop was found to be slightly magnetic, a fresh sample contained 11.4% iron, an oxidised sample (iron stained) contained 14.3% iron (see Appendix B). However, magnetometer readings over this zone did not exceed 1100 gammas.

(iv) Conclusions on Magnetic Survey

The anomalous zone between survey stations PG 28 and PG 30 and the small peaks at stations PG 34, PG 40 and PG 41 are probably due to some small magnetic occurrences. The zone between PG 28 and PG 30 probably does correspond to some part of the B.M.R. Aeromagnetic anomaly but whether it represents the centre line of the aeromagnetic anomaly is not known for sure. The only accurate means of checking this out is to cut and survey a series of cross-traverses at intervals of say 100 metres along the existing surveyed traverse.

This would involve considerable time and expense and would involve a controlled theodolite survey.

I believe that,

1. as the aeromagnetic anomaly is of small magnitude when compared to the Rocky River anomaly (which represents a probable tonnage of 4 million tonnes at only 16% Fe) and
2. the ground magnetic survey did not outline any significant anomalous zones (maximum reading of 4800  $\gamma$ 's compared to in excess of 80,000  $\gamma$ 's for the Rocky River anomaly) further examination is unwarranted.

#### VIII. GENERAL CONCLUSIONS

- (i) It is most unlikely that any significant base metal mineralization occurs within the southern portion of EL 4/61, south of the Corinna - Waratah Road.
- (ii) It is also most unlikely that any significant iron (magnetite) occurrence exists in the Stringer Creek area.

#### IX. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FURTHER EXPLORATION OF EL 4/61

- (i) It was unfortunate that insufficient fine material (-80 mesh) was present in stream sediment samples to allow any gold (Au) determinations on samples from the Paradise River, Lucy Creek and Nancy Creek area. This is an area of old alluvial gold workings. The largest gold nugget found in Tasmania was found in the Rocky River. It is reported that over 1000 ounces of coarse gold was obtained from the Paradise River. Although the operations of the companies working the alluvial grounds were unsuccessful, I feel that some sort of systematic sampling programme should be carried out over this area.

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(ii) an iron deposit - Heamatite and Magnetite - occurs on the Meredith River, some 6.5 kilometres upstream from its junction with the Pieman River. This deposit is mentioned in an unpublished Mines Department report of 1924 by an A.M. Reid and titled "Preliminary Report on the Occurrence of Iron Ore at Meredith, Paradise, Rocky and Whyte Rivers". Reid outlines the deposit as follows - "a body of iron ore 300 ft. in width exposed to a depth of 100 ft", with the following quantities of ore present.

- Actual Reserve - 428,570 tons
- Potential Reserve - 1,285,710 tons.
- Possible Reserve - Very Considerable.

This deposit should be investigated.

As mentioned previously in this report, ground work within EL 4/61 is controlled by the weather, particularly the amount of rainfall. Thus, it will be at least January-February 1979 before investigation of the areas mentioned above can commence.

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16/5/78.

APPENDIX A

1. Geochemical Analyses.
2. Article, "The Use of the Median and Quartiles in Estimating Normal and Anomalous Values of a Geochemical Field"  
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Samples Received by 16-3-78 Request No.

All results in p.p.m. unless otherwise indicated.

SAMPLE MARKINGS	Cu	Pb	Ag	Zn
ELH/61.IMI1	4		0.5	
2	4	7	0.5	14
3	13	4	0.5	15
4	5	5	0.5	16
5	3		0.5	
6	3		0.5	
7	5		0.5	
8	5		0.5	
9	5		0.5	
10	4	4	0.5	14
11	7	7	0.5	13
12	3	3	0.5	10
13	3		0.5	
14	2		0.5	
15	6		0.5	
16	2		0.5	
17	3		0.5	
18	4		0.5	
19	6	6	0.5	9
20	3	5	0.5	7
21	4	4	0.5	14
22	15		0.5	
23	8		0.5	
24	11		0.5	
25	18		0.5	
26	15		0.5	
27	11	5	0.5	31
28	9	3	0.5	22
29	3		0.5	
30	3		0.5	
31	3		0.5	
32	6		0.5	
33	10		0.5	
34	23	8	0.5	39
35	10		0.5	
36	11	4	0.5	21
37	10		0.5	
38	9		0.5	
39	7	3	0.5	11
40	11	5	0.5	15
41	9	3	0.5	14
42	7	3	0.5	14
ELH/61.IMI43	11	4	0.5	17

FOR METHOD DETAILS, SEE PRICE LIST

CHIEF CHEMIST *P. J. Tetchem*

DATE 21-3-1978

REMARKS:

METHOD A: No Prep.  
INSUFFICIENT SAMPLE FOR Au & Sn.  
(FURTHER 15 Grams REQUIRED.)

ABBREVIATIONS:

- bid—below limit of detection.
- dwt—pennyweights troy per short ton of 2000 pounds.
- lb—pounds per short ton.
- oz—ounces troy per short ton of 2000 pounds.
- ppb—parts per billion = grams per 10<sup>9</sup> grams.
- ppm—parts per million = grams per 10<sup>6</sup> grams.

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SAMPLE MARKINGS	Cu	Pb	Zn	Agg				
EL.4/61IMI 45	INNSUFFICIENT SAMPLE							
46	2	7	11	△				
47	10	12	41	△				
48	5	10	26	△				
48A	2	6	6	△				
49	10	10	32	△				
50	6	9	24	△				
51	6	8	26	△				
52	42	22	105	△				
53	24	14	52	△				
54	5	7	15	△				
55	5	7	15	△				
56	6	10	12	△				
57	6	8	18	△				
58	11	10	32	△				
59	22	11	86	△				
60	INNSUFFICIENT SAMPLE							
61	4	7	13	△				
62	4	6	13	△				
63	INNSUFFICIENT SAMPLE							
64	6	8	17	△				
EL.4/61IMI 65	4	7	14	△				

CHIEF CHEMIST

*A Morgan Blaylock*

FOR METHOD DETAILS, SEE PRICE LIST

DATE 30-4-78

REMARKS:  
METHOD A: No Prep.

ABBREVIATIONS:

- bld—below limit of detection.
- dwt—pennyweights troy per short ton of 2000 pounds.
- lb—pounds per short ton.
- oz—ounces troy per short ton of 2000 pounds.
- ppb—parts per billion = grams per 10<sup>9</sup> grams.
- ppm—parts per million = grams per 10<sup>6</sup> grams.

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## Statistical Evaluation of Cu Analyses.

Class	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	13	15	18	22	23	24	42
Freq	4	7	8	7	8	3	1	3	5	6	1	2	1	1	1	1	1
Cum. Freq.	4	13	21	28	36	39	40	43	48	54	55	57	58	59	60	61	62
%	6.5	11.2	33.9	45.2	58.1	62.9	64.5	69.4	77.4	87.1	88.7	91.9	93.5	95.2	96.8	98.4	100.0

From Graph 1.  $Q_1 = 3.4$   $Me = 5.6$   $Q_3 = 9.5$

$$\text{Std. Deviation (upper)} = \frac{3}{2} (Q_3 - Me) = 1.5 (3.9) = 5.85.$$

$$\text{Std. Deviation (lower)} = \frac{3}{2} (Me - Q_1) = 1.5 (2.2) = 3.3.$$

$$\text{Normal Dist. (Upper)} = \text{Median (Me)} + \text{Std. Deviation} = 5.6 + 5.85 = 11.45.$$

$$\text{Normal Dist. (Lower)} = \text{Median (Me)} - \text{Std. Deviation} = 5.6 - 3.3 = 2.3.$$

$$\text{Anomalous Values} = \text{Median} + 6(Q_3 - Me) = 5.6 + 6(3.9) = 29.$$

$$\text{also} = \text{Median} + 4(\text{Std. Dev.}) = 5.6 + 4(5.85) = 29.$$

Anomalous Sample In Survey = N<sup>o</sup> 52 with 42 ppm.

## E.L. 4/61 Statistical Evaluation of Pb Analyses.

Value	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	14	22
Freq.	5	5	4	3	7	4	1	4	1	1	1	1
Cum. Freq.	5	10	14	17	24	28	29	33	34	35	36	37
%	13.5	27.0	37.8	45.9	64.9	75.7	78.4	89.2	91.9	94.6	97.3	100

From Graph 2.  $Q_1 = 4$      $Me = 6$      $Q_3 = 8.2$ .

$$\text{Std. Deviation (upper)} = \frac{3}{2}(Q_3 - Me) = 1.5(2.2) = 3.3$$

$$\text{Std. Deviation (lower)} = \frac{3}{2}(Me - Q_1) = 1.5(2.0) = 3.0$$

$$\text{Normal Dist. (upper)} = \text{Median (Me)} + \text{Std. Deviation} = 6 + 3.3 = 9.3$$

$$\text{Normal Dist. (lower)} = \text{Median (Me)} - \text{Std. Deviation} = 6 - 3.0 = 3.0$$

$$\text{Anomalous Values} = \text{Median} + 6(Q_3 - Me) = 6.0 + 6(2.2) = 19.2$$

$$\text{also} = \text{Median} + 4(\text{Std. Dev.}) = 6.0 + 4(3.3) = 19.2$$

Anomalous Value In Survey = N° 52 with 22 p.p.m.

## E.L.A/61 Statistical Evaluation of Zn Analyses.

Value	6	7	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	21	22	24	26	31	32
Freq.	1	1	1	1	2	1	3	6	4	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	2
Cum. Freq.	1	2	3	4	6	7	10	16	20	21	23	24	25	26	27	29	30	32
%	1.7	5.4	8.1	10.8	16.2	18.9	27.0	43.2	54.1	56.8	62.2	64.9	67.5	70.3	75.0	78.4	83.8	86.5

Value	39	41	52	86	105
Freq.	1	1	1	1	1
Cum. Freq.	33	34	35	36	37
%	89.2	91.9	84.6	97.3	100.0

From Graph 3.

$$Q_1 = 12.8$$

$$Me = 14.8$$

$$Q_3 = 24.4$$

$$\text{Std. Deviation (upper)} = \frac{3}{2} (Q_3 - Me) = 1.5 (9.6) = 14.4$$

$$\text{Std. Deviation (lower)} = \frac{3}{2} (Me - Q_1) = 1.5 (2.0) = 3.0$$

$$\text{Normal Dist. (upper)} = \text{Median (Me)} + \text{Std. Deviation} = 14.8 + 14.4 = 29.2$$

$$\text{Normal Dist. (lower)} = \text{Median (Me)} - \text{Std. Deviation} = 14.8 - 3.0 = 11.8$$

$$\text{Anomalous Values} = \text{Median} + 6 (Q_3 - Me) = 14.8 + 6(9.6) = 72.4$$

$$\text{also} = \text{Median} + 4 (\text{Std. Dev.}) = 14.8 + 4(14.4) = 72.4.$$

Anomalous Samples in Survey = No 52 (105 ppm) and No 59 (86 ppm.)

## APPENDIX A

2. "THE USE OF THE MEDIAN AND QUARTILES IN  
ESTIMATING NORMAL AND ANOMALOUS VALUES OF A GEO-  
CHEMICAL FIELD."

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## THE USE OF THE MEDIAN AND QUANTILES IN ESTIMATION OF NORMAL AND ANOMALOUS VALUES OF A GEOCHEMICAL FIELD\*

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### (ABSTRACT)

The use of the median and quantiles is proposed in the rapid determination of anomalous values in any given geochemical or geophysical field. Examples are given of vanadium contents of granites, nickel contents of kimberlites, and copper and rubidium contents of basalt. —D. R. Wong

In geochemical investigations and geological prospecting knowledge of the normal concentrations of the elements in rocks is important. When such information is available, it is possible to compare smaller rocks of different regions, to determine the character of the distribution of the elements in different rocks and, in many cases, during prospecting, to establish the most promising zones in a section.

It is also important to know the lower limit of anomalous concentrations. Knowing these limits for different rocks and different regions it is possible to outline promising areas which require further study. This kind of information is important both in prospecting for economic mineral deposits and in general geochemical investigations.

The concentrations of the elements determined in a given area (in rocks, waters, etc.) are random values depending not only on the general regularities in the distribution characteristics of a given object but also on purely local conditions. It is necessary, therefore, to treat the data by the

methods of mathematical statistics, in terms of probability.

Let us denote by  $q$  the probability ( $P$ ) of the deviation of a certain value  $\bar{x}$  from the general mean  $M$  by  $t$  standard deviations ( $\sigma$ ):

$$P(\bar{x} - M > t\sigma) = q. \quad (1)$$

If  $q$  (significance level) is taken so small that the deviation of  $A$  from  $M$  by  $t\sigma$  can be considered practically improbable, then the lower limit of the anomaly can be calculated by the formula:

$$A = M + t\sigma. \quad (2)$$

The normal field (NF) of concentrations or of some other geochemical parameter is defined as the interval of values deviating from the mean by no more than  $t\sigma$ , i. e.:

$$NF = M \pm t\sigma. \quad (3)$$

Thus, to distinguish between normal and anomalous fields it is necessary to know not only the average value of a given parameter but also the standard deviation from the mean. The question now arises, how to find the average value and standard deviation of a given parameter in the case of

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with the mean ( $\bar{x}$ ), the mode ( $x_0$ ) and the median ( $x_{0.5}$ ). The use of these different averages for different types of distribution is a comparison of data difficult [1].

Let us compare the different types of averages and select the one which is the best indicator of the average level of distribution of a parameter within a geochemical field.

The arithmetic mean is convenient because of its simplicity but it has several shortcomings:

1. dependence of sharply deviating individual values of the parameter;
2. inapplicability in the cases where some values of the parameter are beyond the sensitivity limits of the methods used in the investigation, or when the data are semi-quantitative;
3. difficulty of calculation with large amounts of data.

The mode is a more objective estimate of the average level for a given field and it is practically free of the first two shortcomings listed above. Determination of the mode requires knowledge of the distribution function of the parameter, for the mode is represented on the abscissa and corresponds to the maximum probability.

Very often the theoretical distribution in a geochemical field is not known or, if known, may differ from the actual distribution because the nature of the distribution depends on the accuracy in determining a given parameter [2]. If the actual distribution is normal, it will be so shown by quantitative data, but semi-quantitative data will give it as a Poisson distribution, and qualitative data, as a binomial distribution. Moreover, the actual distribution may be distorted by either nonrandom sampling or by the special selection of sampling points.

The mode is determined as the abscissa of maximum frequency and this substitution of frequency for probability introduces an indeterminate error into the value of the mode for a limited number of observations. The magnitude of this error can be determined with an approximation which depends

determined from the number of observations. There may be several modal class intervals (Fig. 1a) or one "broad" plateau covering several class intervals (Fig. 1b). In such cases the mode is either not an average representative of the distribution (Fig. 1c) or it may be zero (Fig. 1d).

The median is the middle value in an array of values arranged in order of magnitude. It can be determined from a cumulative frequency curve shown in Fig. 2. The median on this curve corresponds to 50% of the cumulative frequency.

If the number of observations is sufficiently large the median does not depend on the anomalous values of the parameter. It may be used even if the sampling contains some (<25%) anomalous values and also when dealing with semi-quantitative data. Moreover, the median displays an asymptotically normal random value. If the distribution is leptokurtic or platokurtic, the median is a more reliable average than the arithmetic mean [3]. The properties of the median are especially important in work with data on geochemical fields in which distributions are most frequently skewed to the right.

If the distribution is symmetrical the median coincides with the mode and the arithmetic mean. In moderately asymmetrical unimodal distributions, the median lies between the mode and the arithmetic mean and nearer to the latter. This intermediate position of the median is another of its desirable properties.

Finally, a very significant advantage of the median in geochemical work is its invariant position whether the calculations are made from the measured values or from their functions [4]. For example, if logarithms of the parameters of a geochemical field are used instead of the parameters themselves, the antilogarithm of the median of the logarithms coincides with the mode calculated for the values of the parameter. It follows that the average represented by the median is independent of the type of distribution of the parameter. The arithmetic means may vary considerably with the type of distribution and this is their most serious disadvantage.





Therefore, the limits of the normal law, by which the median is used instead of the arithmetic mean, and the calculation of the upper and lower limits be made using the formula:

$$NF_U = Me + 1.5(Q_3 - Me), \quad (8)$$

$$NF_L = Me - 1.5(Me - Q_1). \quad (9)$$

On the right side of the distribution the correction is needed in estimating the lower limit, i.e., the calculation of  $A$  (2) should be made by the formula:

$$A = Me + 1.5t(Q_3 - Me). \quad (11)$$

The value of  $t$  depends, in general, on the nature of the problem, the distribution of the required parameter, the significance level and the number of observations. As the value of  $t$  increases, the significance level decreases and also the probability of the first order (normal values of the parameter are considered anomalous), the probability of error of the second order (anomalous values are considered normal) increases. In determining the lower limit of an anomaly it is especially important not to make an error of the second order, i.e., not to miss any anomalous values. For this reason, the significance level should not be too small, but, on the other hand, an increase in the value of  $t$  results in unjustified separation of the field which are actually normal. In the case of prospecting, for example, it is traditional to set  $q = 0.2$ , as suggested in [15]. Usually, depending on the concrete conditions, the value of  $q$  should be between 0.01, i.e., 10 to 1%.

At a given significance level the value of  $t$  depends on the character of distribution of the parameter. If it is not known the value of  $t$  can be determined from Chebyshev's Inequality:

$$P(|\bar{x} - M| > t\sigma) \leq \frac{1}{t^2}. \quad (12)$$

It follows from equations (1) and (12)

$$t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{q}}. \quad (13)$$

If the distribution is symmetrical the right side in (12) may be decreased by 2/3

[15] and

$$t_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3q}}. \quad (14)$$

When such an eventuality  $A$  is only indicated in the distribution from the mean in the direction of the higher values of the parameter,  $t$  should be calculated by a one-sided test. This lowers the significance level by a factor of 2, i.e.:

$$t_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3q}}. \quad (15)$$

Only the right-hand side of the distribution curve is considered in estimating  $A$  and, therefore, according to formulas (2), (5), (7) and (15), the lower limit of anomaly is:

$$A = Me + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{q}} (Q_3 - Me). \quad (16)$$

It is easy to calculate that for a significance level of 2% ( $q = 0.02$ ) the value of  $t_0$  for any distribution will be less than 4. In that case

$$A = Me + 6(Q_3 - Me). \quad (17)$$

A comparison of the different methods of statistical treatment was made using data from [15] on the distribution of vanadium in granites of one of the massifs of Northern Kazakhstan (Table 1).

It was found that the data of Table 1 approximate a lognormal distribution if two anomalous samples are excluded (0.02%). If these samples are included even the logarithms of the vanadium contents do not obey the law of normal distribution (skewness - 0.63, kurtosis - 13.9).

The averages\* and the standard deviations from the averages were calculated by different methods. It follows from the table that:

1. Anomalous samples have practically no effect on the distribution parameters calculated from the median and the quartiles.

\*The averages given in Table 3 differ from those given in [6] because the authors made arithmetical errors in their calculations: in computation of logarithms and in division by  $n - 1$  in averaging.

2. The value of the mode is near the theoretical value of the mode and the mean of the logarithmic distribution.

The data of Table 3 fully confirm the correctness of using the median and quartiles in estimating an average and its variance. According to formula (9), the upper limit of the normal field is a content of  $9 \cdot 10^{-3}\%$  and the lower limit (formula 11) is  $3.1 \cdot 10^{-3}\%$ . For the significance level  $q = 0.02$  the lower limit of the anomaly, isolated by formula (17), is  $13.7 \cdot 10^{-3}\%$ .

The method proposed here was tested by calculating the clarkes of copper (basalts and rhyolites) in the earth's crust from the data given in [8] (Table 4).

It follows from Table 4 that the median almost coincides with the clarkes. It is interesting to note that when two groups with different averages (rhyolites) were combined the median was found to be more stable than the arithmetic mean.

When the data are arranged as in Table 1 the magnitudes of the normal and anomalous fields can be determined efficiently and with confidence. The greatest advantage of the method is the independence of the results from the character of distribution of the parameter. This is particularly important in extensive geochemical investigations when the theoretical distribution law is not known and it is practically impossible to use complex statistical methods to discover it.

The method proposed here can be used for estimating normal and anomalous geochemical fields.

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Table 3

	Average $\cdot 10^{-3}$			Standard deviation $\cdot 10^{-3}$		Other Parameters				
	arithmetic mean	mean of log-normal distribution	$M_2$	No	from arithmetic mean	from Voronin formula	$Q_1$	$Q_2$	$\Sigma$	
All samples	absolute	5.9	5.3	4.7	4.0	42.55	3.06	3.6	6.2	13.0
	relative	1.18	1.103	0.92	0.78	-1.71	1.92	1.9 (1.7)	6.2	0.05
Without anomalous samples	absolute	5.41	5.1	4.6 (4.8)	4.0 (4.8)	11.85	1.70	1.9 (1.7)	6.2	0.05
	relative	1.00	1.0	0.93	0.78 (0.8)	-1.89	1.66	1.9 (1.7)	6.2	0.05
Proposed normal field	1.11	1.02	1.02	1.0	1.0	1.55	1.07	1.0	6.2	0.05

	n	K <sub>1</sub>		K <sub>2</sub>		
		1951	1952	1951	1952	1953
Date of 1951	231	0.9·10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.5·10 <sup>-2</sup>	107	2.5·10 <sup>-2</sup>	4.0·10 <sup>-2</sup>
Date of 1952	274	1.0·10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.1·10 <sup>-2</sup>	400	2.0·10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.0·10 <sup>-2</sup>
Combined data	283	1.0·10 <sup>-2</sup>	1.4·10 <sup>-2</sup>	597	2.0·10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.4·10 <sup>-2</sup>

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APPENDIX B

1. Assay Results of Samples of Schist.
2. Magnetic Values - Ground Magnetometer Survey.

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Laboratory, 287 Wellington Street  
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3rd March 1978.

CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

To Industrial & Mining Investigations Pty Ltd,  
Suite 3709 Australia Square, Sydney N.S.W. 2000

The sample of ..... Specimens ..... received  
from YOU ..... on the 1st March '78 .....  
and stated to be from Stringer Creek ..... <sup>has</sup> been  
examined, with the following results:—

78	Registered Number	Description	%Fe (HCl Sol)
3/3/78	780422	Stringer Creek No. 1.	14.3
	780423	Stringer Creek No. 2.	11.4

Analyses by....*RG*.....

Fee. \$10.00

*[Signature]*  
Chief Chemist and Metallurgist

Details of Ground Magnetic Survey - Shungs Creek Area - ER4/61.

Instrument: Fluxgate 600.  
Base Reading 2500

Station	Reading $\gamma$	Station	Reading $\gamma$
PG0	800	PG15	1200
PG1	1100	PG16	1450
+25 metres	1150	PG17	1500
PG2	900	+25 metres	1350
+30 metres	750	PG18	1300
PG3	750	+25 metres	1300
PG4	900	PG19	1400
+25 metres	900	+25 metres	1950
+50 metres	850	PG20	1300
PG5	1100	+25 metres	1200
PG6	1270	+50 metres	700
+30 metres	1250	PG21	500
+60 metres	1100	+25 metres	550
PG7	1100	PG22	500
+30 metres	1250	+25 metres	840
PG8	1500	PG23	1300
+30 metres	1550	+30 metres	450
PG9	1600	PG24	1050
+30 metres	1750	PG25	1100
PG10	-3400	+25 metres	1150
+30 metres	1600	PG26	1200
PG11	1750	+25 metres	1250
+30 metres	1650	PG27	1550
PG12	1450	+20 metres	1450
+30 metres	1300	PG28	1750
PG13	1250	+25 metres	2300
+30 metres	1200	PG29	3700
PG14	1150	+25 metres	12800
+25 metres	1150		

Station	Reading $\gamma$
+50 metres	1700
PG30	2000
+25 metres	850
PG31	700
PG32	600
PG33	600
PG34	2100
PG35	950
PG36	850
PG37	700
PG38	750
PG39	500
+25 metres	700
PG40	2250
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+40 metres	1100

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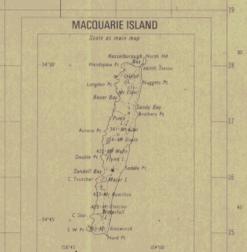
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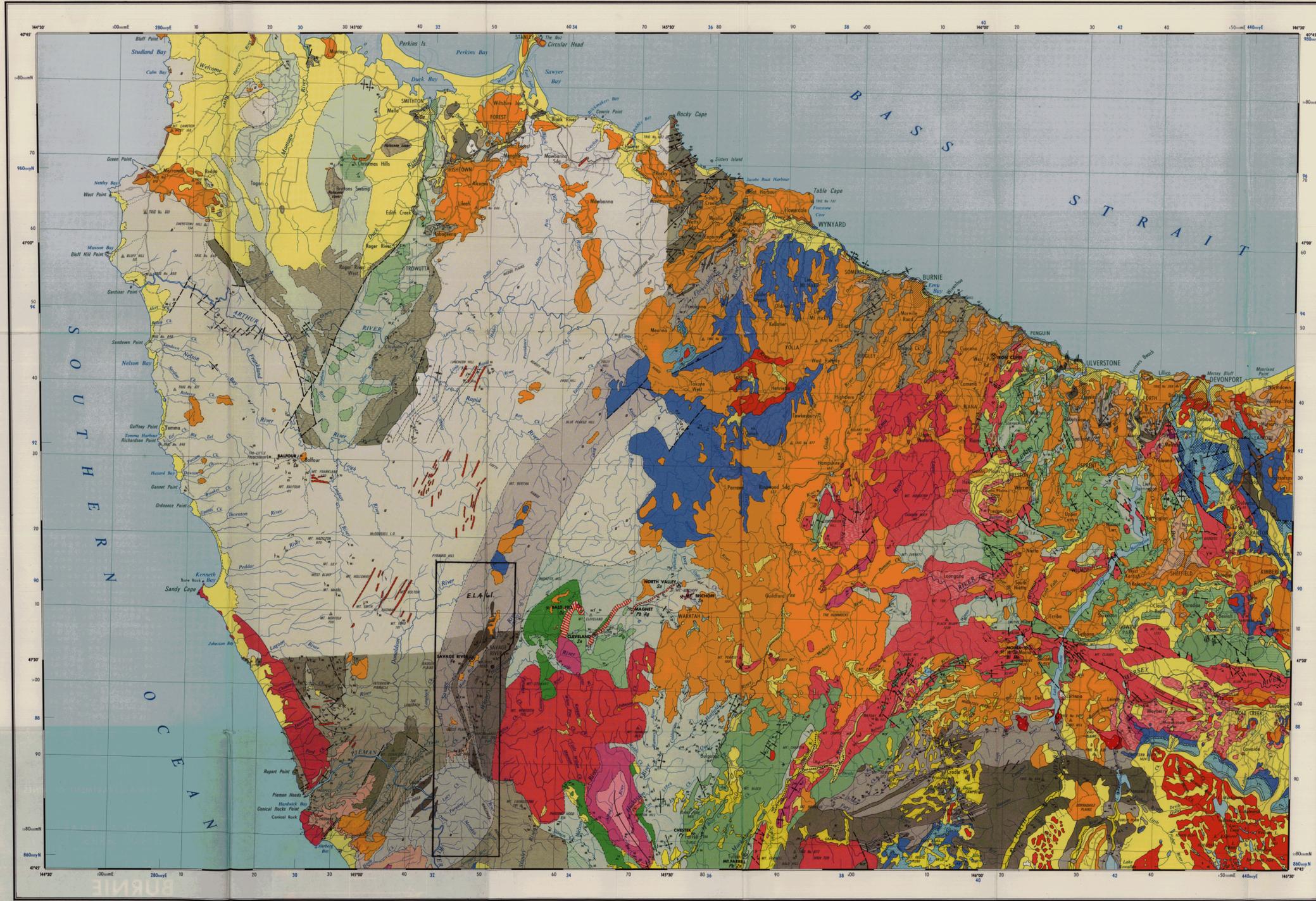
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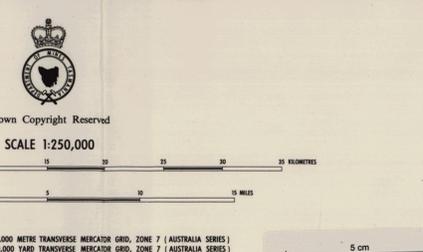
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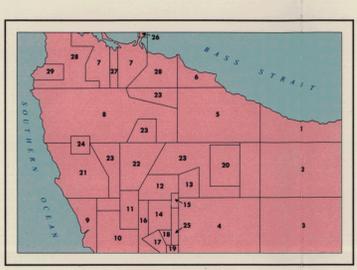
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Stream Sediment Location  
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# GEOCHEMICAL STREAM SEDIMENT SURVEY - EL 4/61

## SAMPLE LOCATION AND ANALYSES

### LEAD



#### LEGEND.

- $\frac{46}{7}$  Sample No ppm
- ~~~~~ Creek or River
- Road
- Anomalous Sample.

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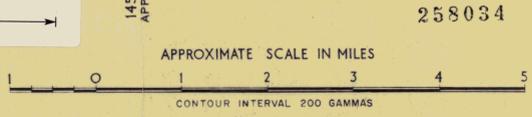
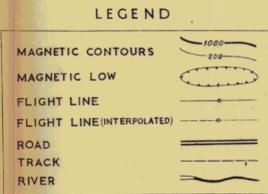
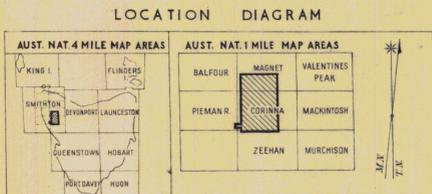
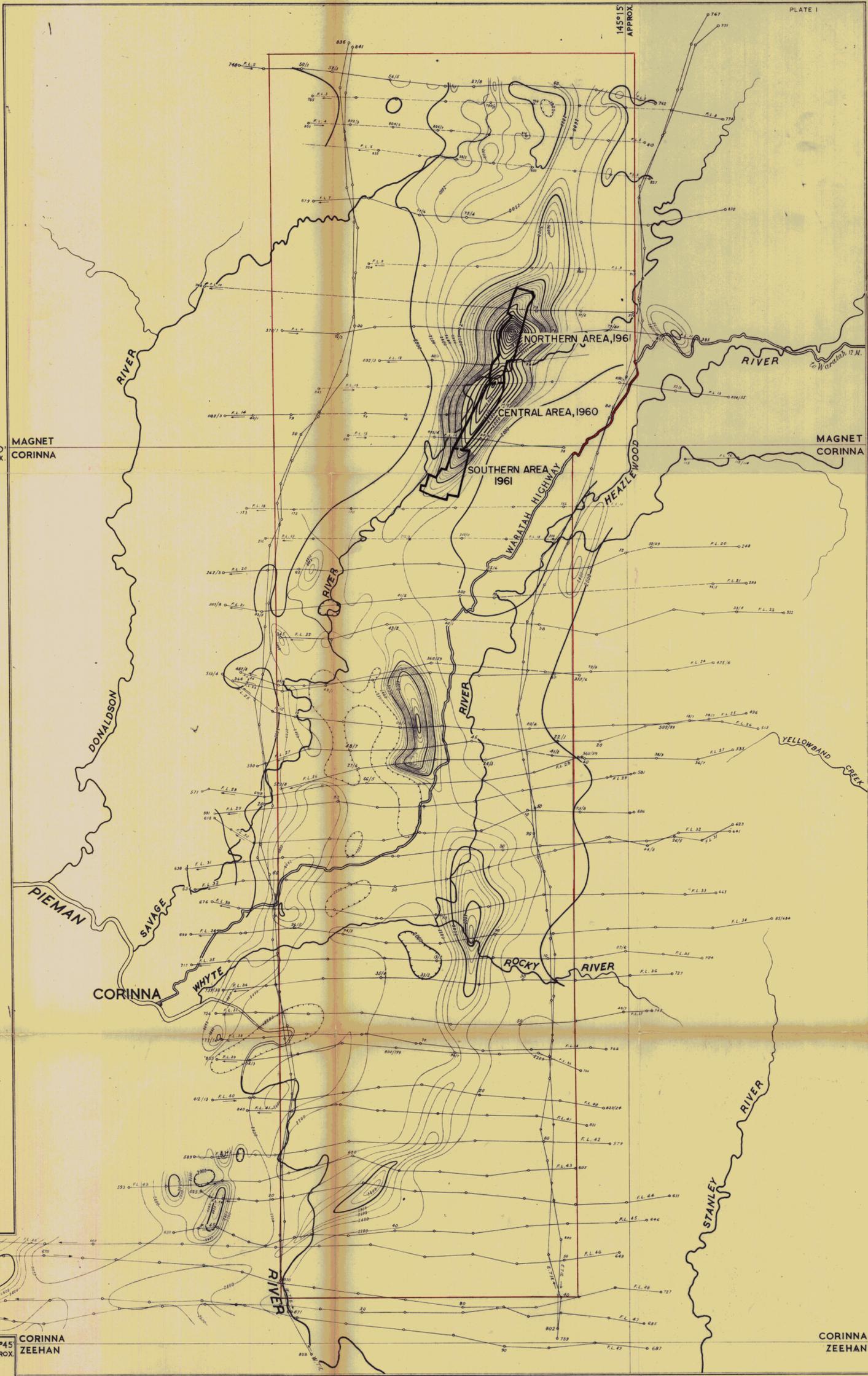
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**SAVAGE RIVER, IRON DEPOSITS  
AEROMAGNETIC MAP  
OF TOTAL INTENSITY**

SHOWING AREA OF GROUND MAGNETIC SURVEYS  
1960 AND 1961

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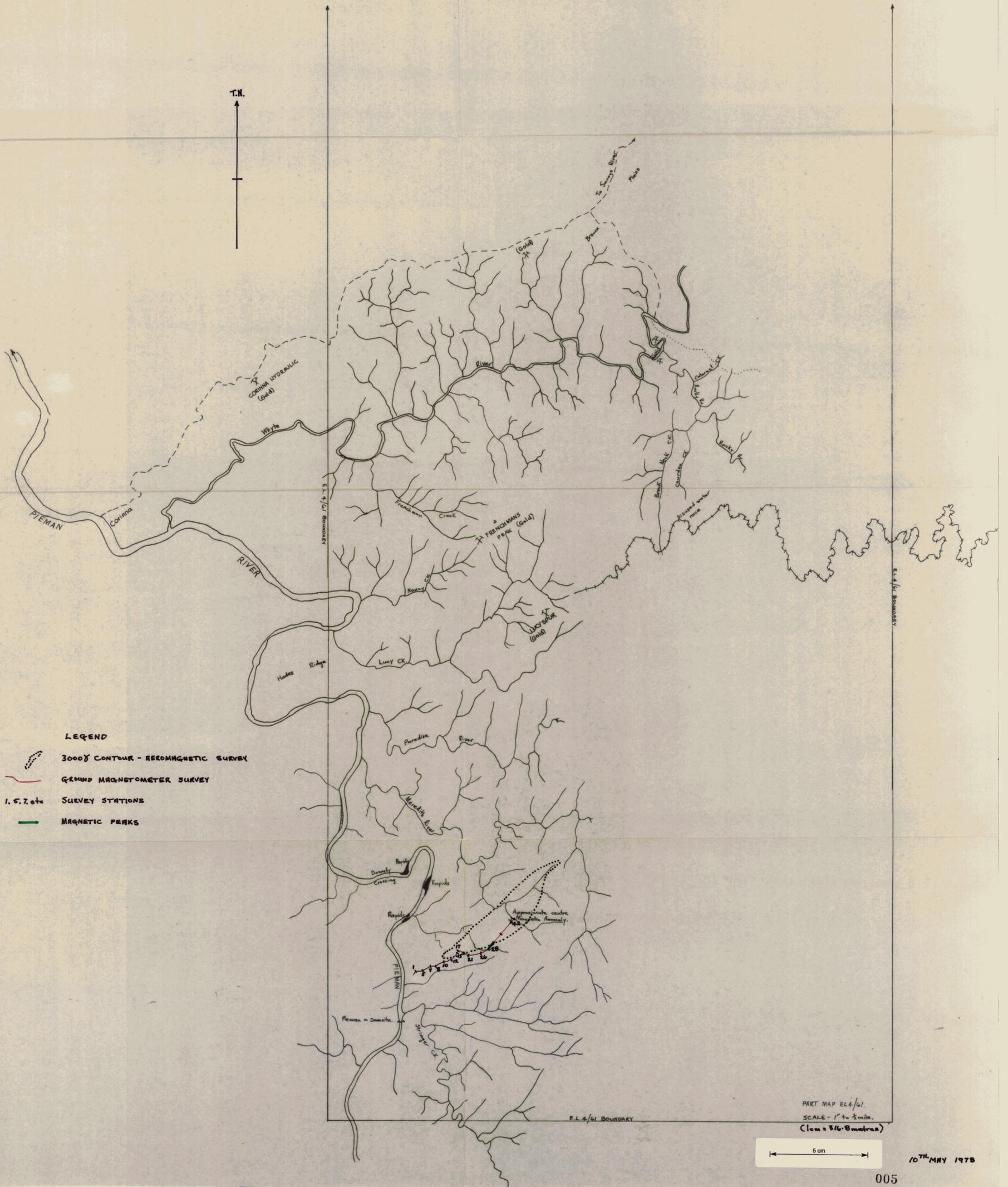
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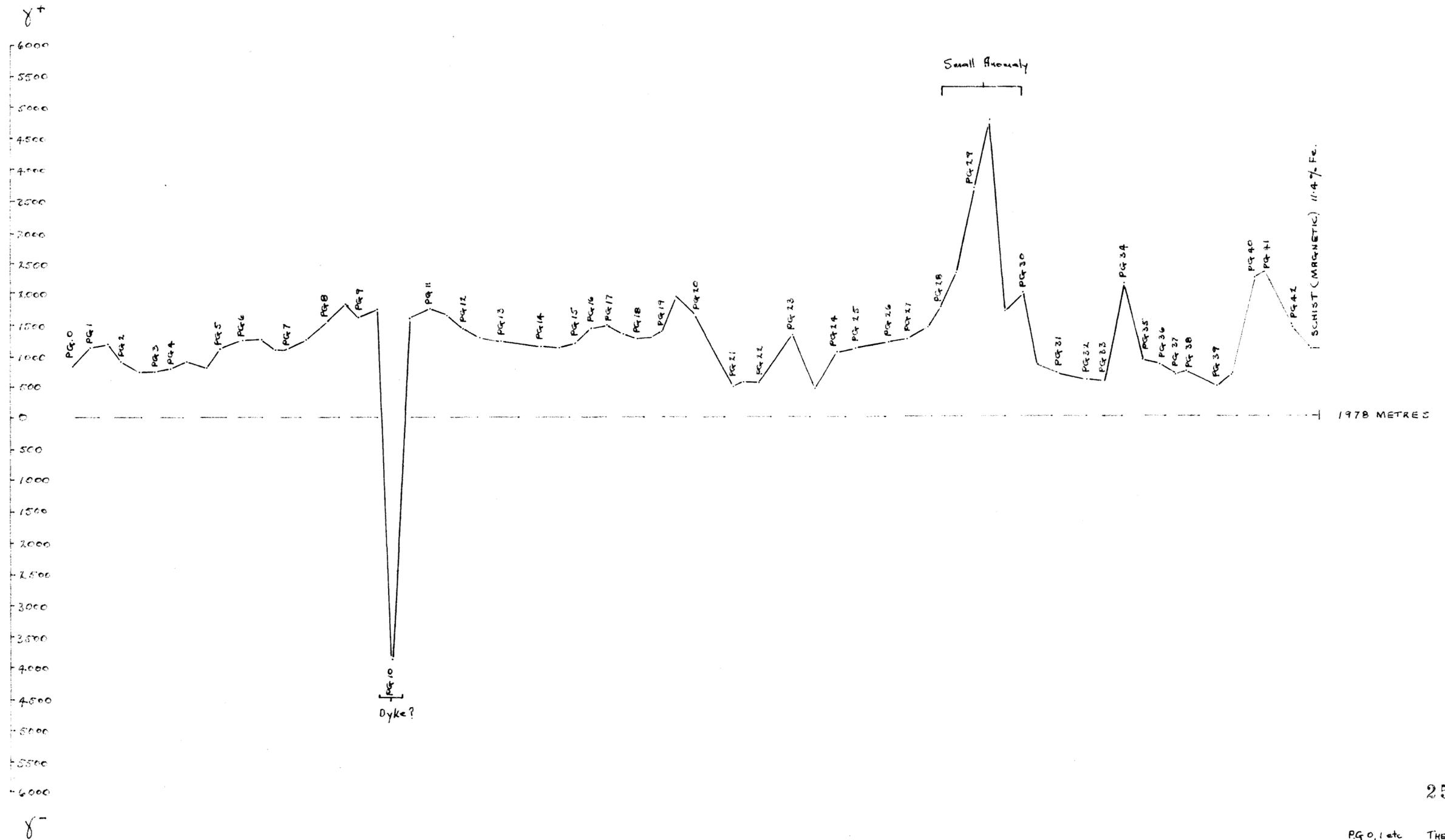
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GEOPHYSICAL - MAGNETOMETER SURVEY

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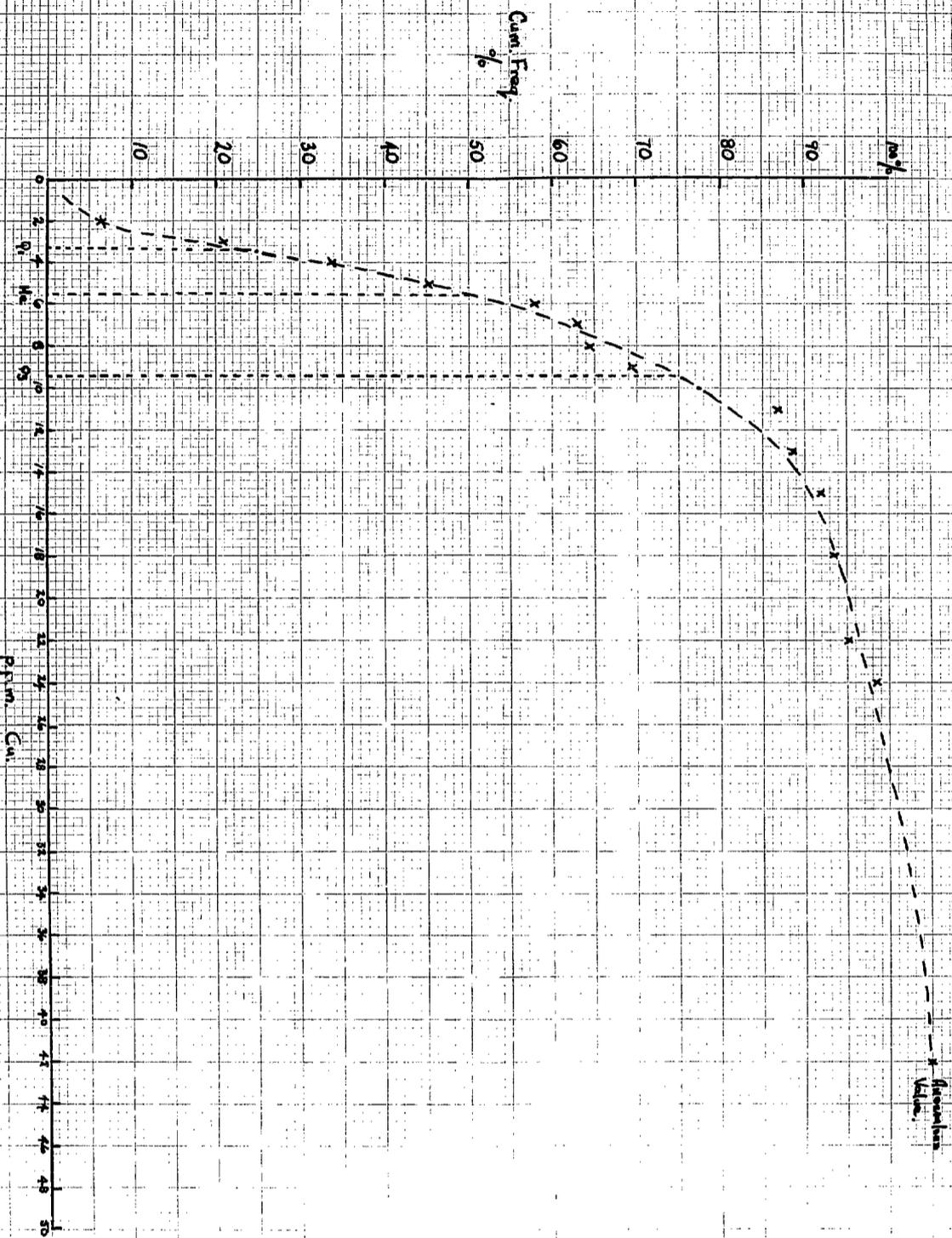
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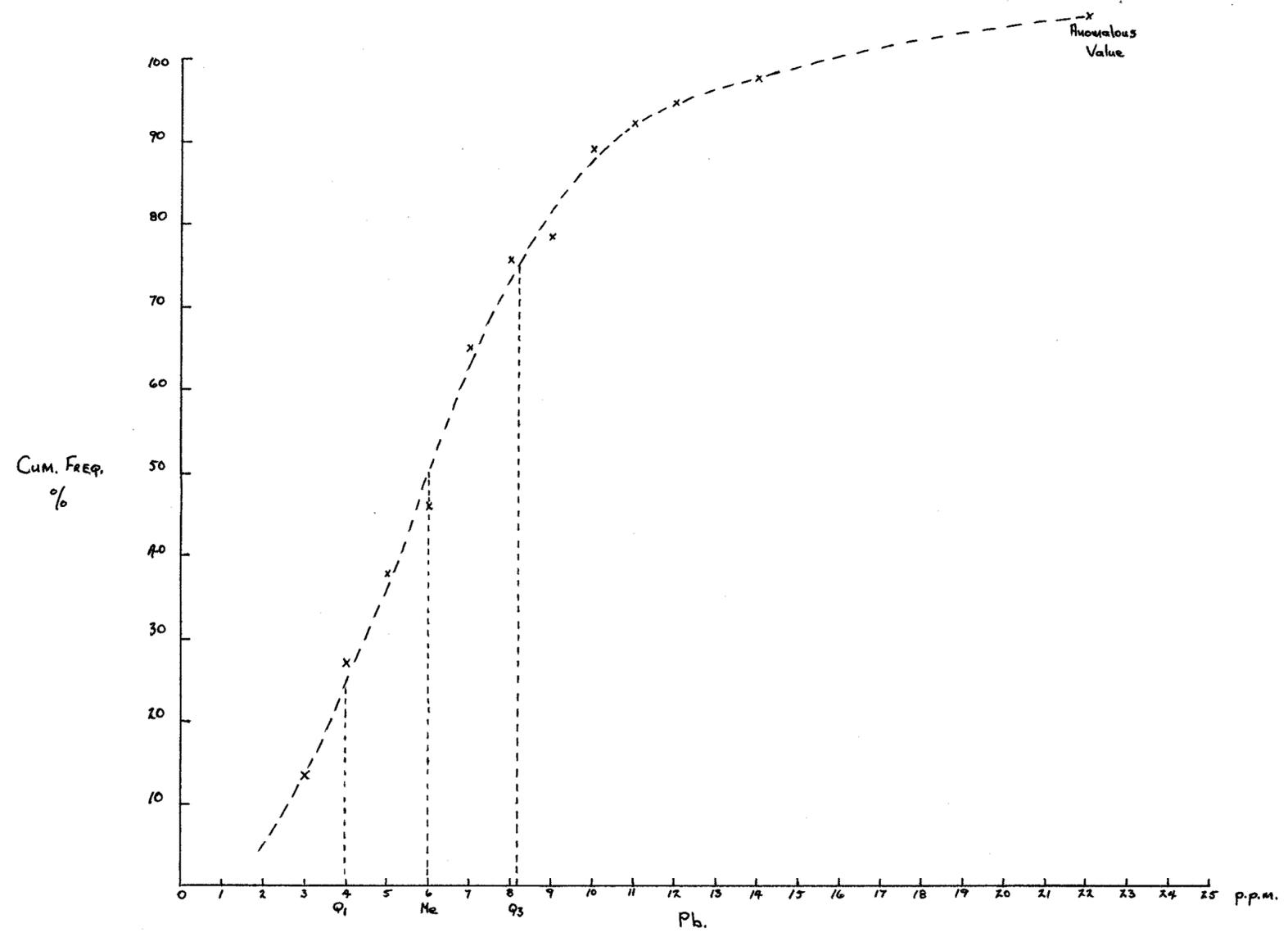
CUMULATIVE CURVE OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF  
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15% C.F. = 3.4 ppm  
 50% C.F. = 12.5 ppm  
 75% C.F. = 23.95 ppm

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CUMULATIVE CURVE OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF  
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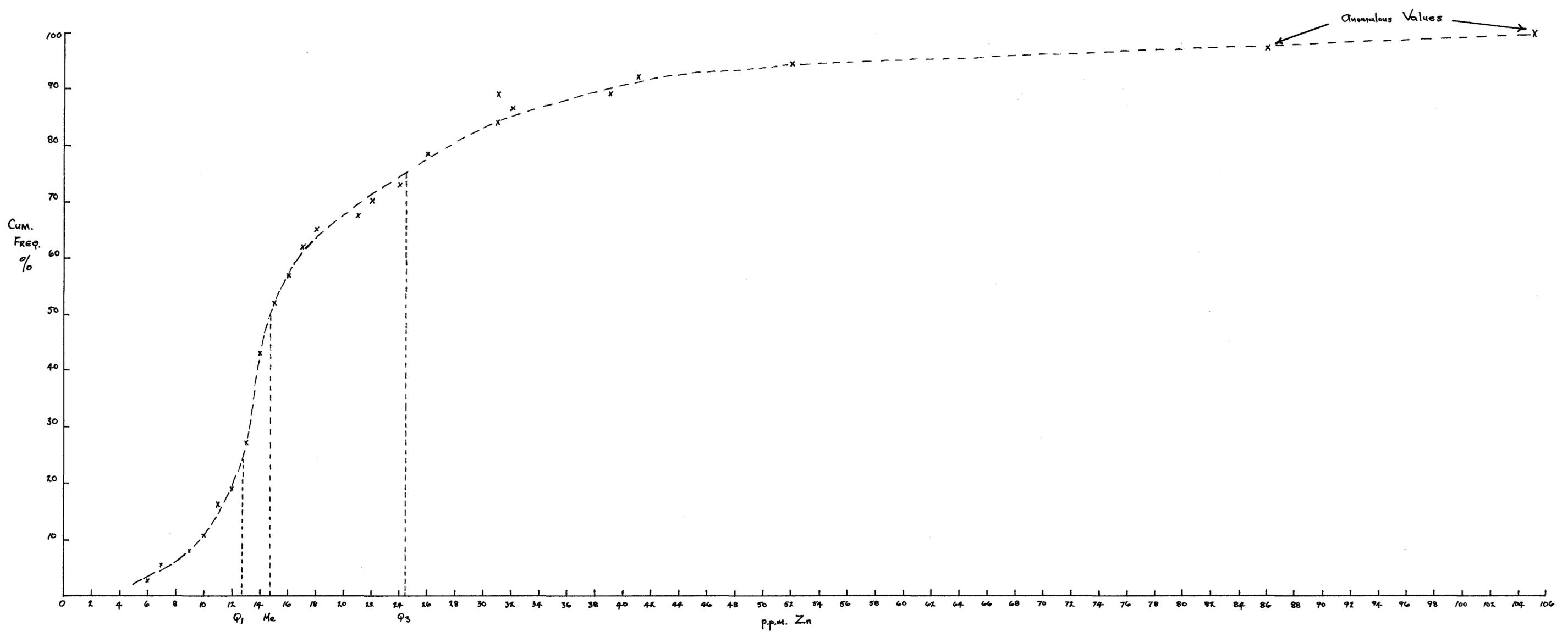


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50% C.F. =  $M_e$  = 6 p.p.m.  
75% C.F. =  $Q_3$  = 8.2 p.p.m.

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Graph 3.

CUMULATIVE CURVE OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF  
 Zn.  
 Nancy CK. to Stringer CK. Area  
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25% C.F. =  $Q_1$  = 12.8  
 50% C.F. =  $Me$  = 14.8  
 75% C.F. =  $Q_3$  = 24.4

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