

Implications of recently derived thermodynamic data and specific ionic interaction theory parameters for $(\text{Mg}/\text{Ca})_n\text{UO}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3^{(4-2n)-}$ complexes on the predominance of the $\text{Mg}^{2+}-\text{Ca}^{2+}-\text{UO}_2^{2+}-\text{OH}^{-}-\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ systems, and application to natural and legacy-mine waters.

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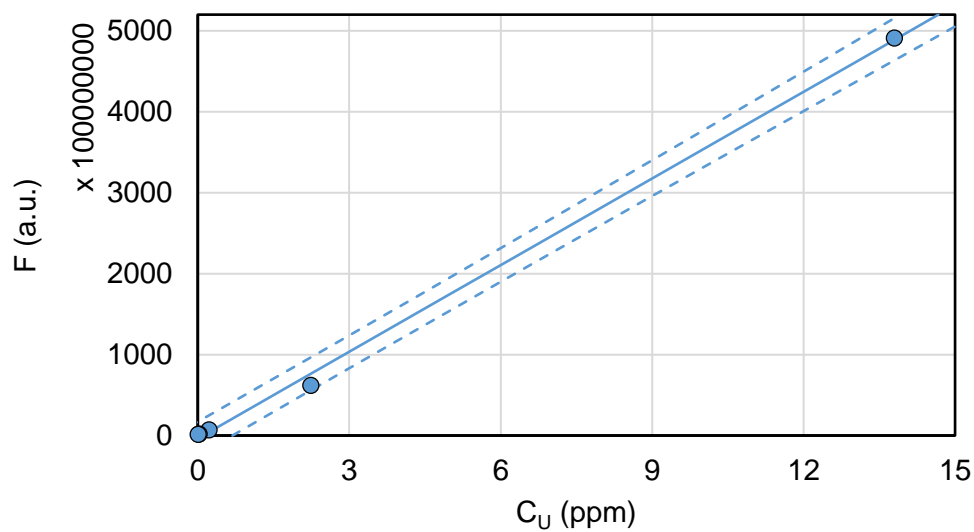
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Supplementary Figures



$a = (3.57 \pm 0.08) 10^{10}$	$b = (-3.67 \pm 4.84) 10^9$
$r^2 = 0.9986$	$S_{x/y} = 9.243 10^9$
DoF = 3	
$\bar{y} = 1.125 10^{11}$	$SSR(x) = 142.409$

Figure S1. Calibration of the TRLFS analysis of uranium in 5% .wt H₃PO₄.

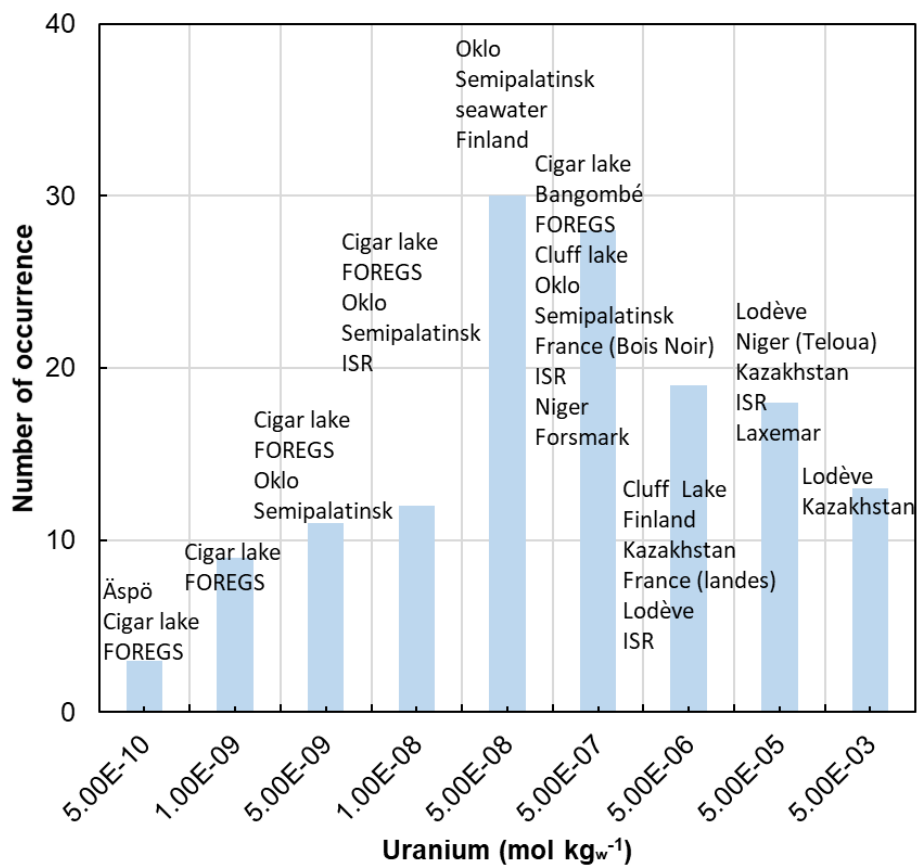


Figure S2. Frequency distribution of the uranium concentration from literature.

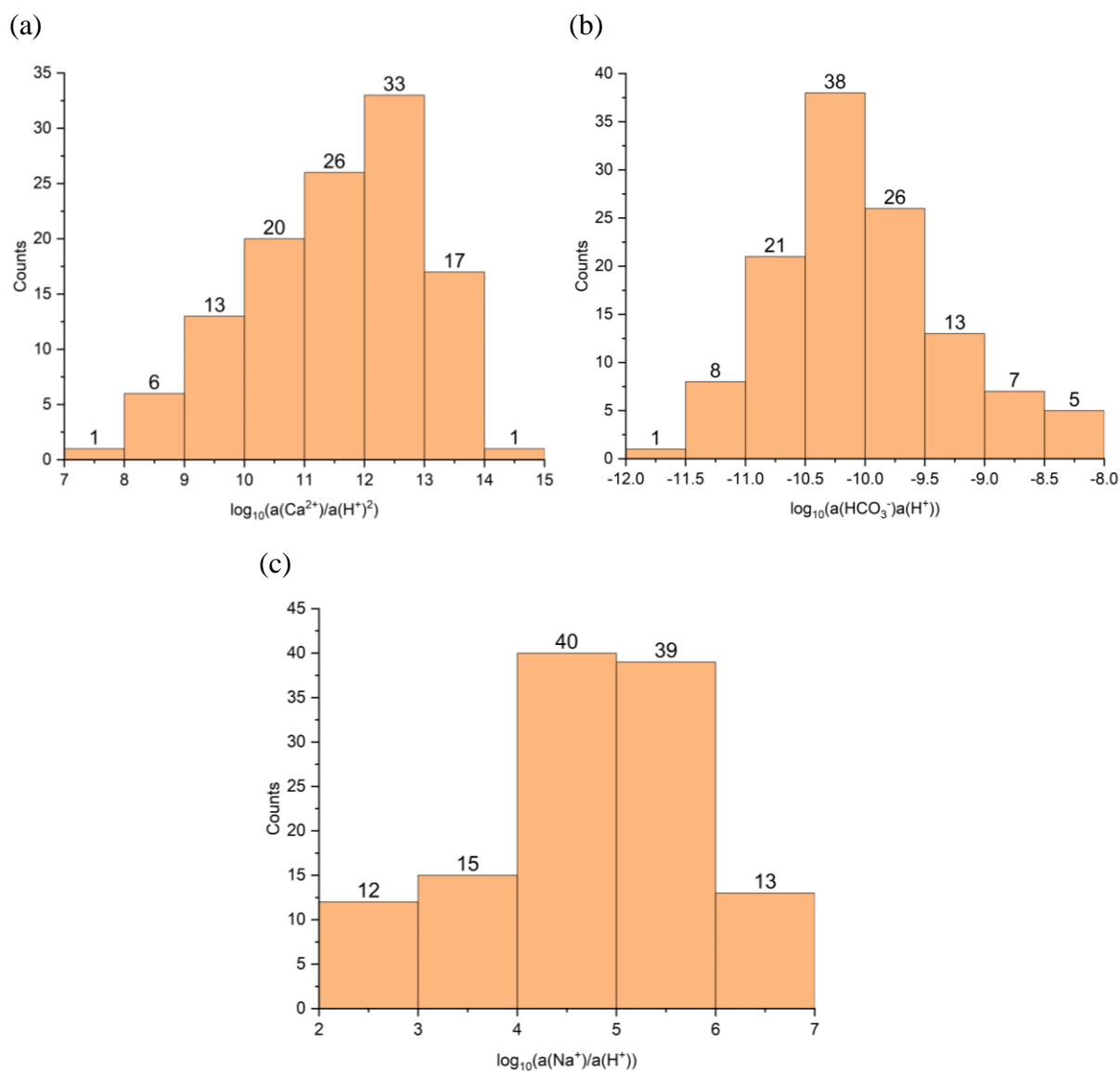


Figure S3. Frequency distributions of the (a) $\log_{10}(a(\text{Ca}^{2+})/a(\text{H}^+)^2)$, (b) $\log_{10}(a(\text{HCO}_3^-)a(\text{H}^+))$, and (c) $\log_{10}(a(\text{Na}^+)/a(\text{H}^+))$ parameters for the selected sample solutions.

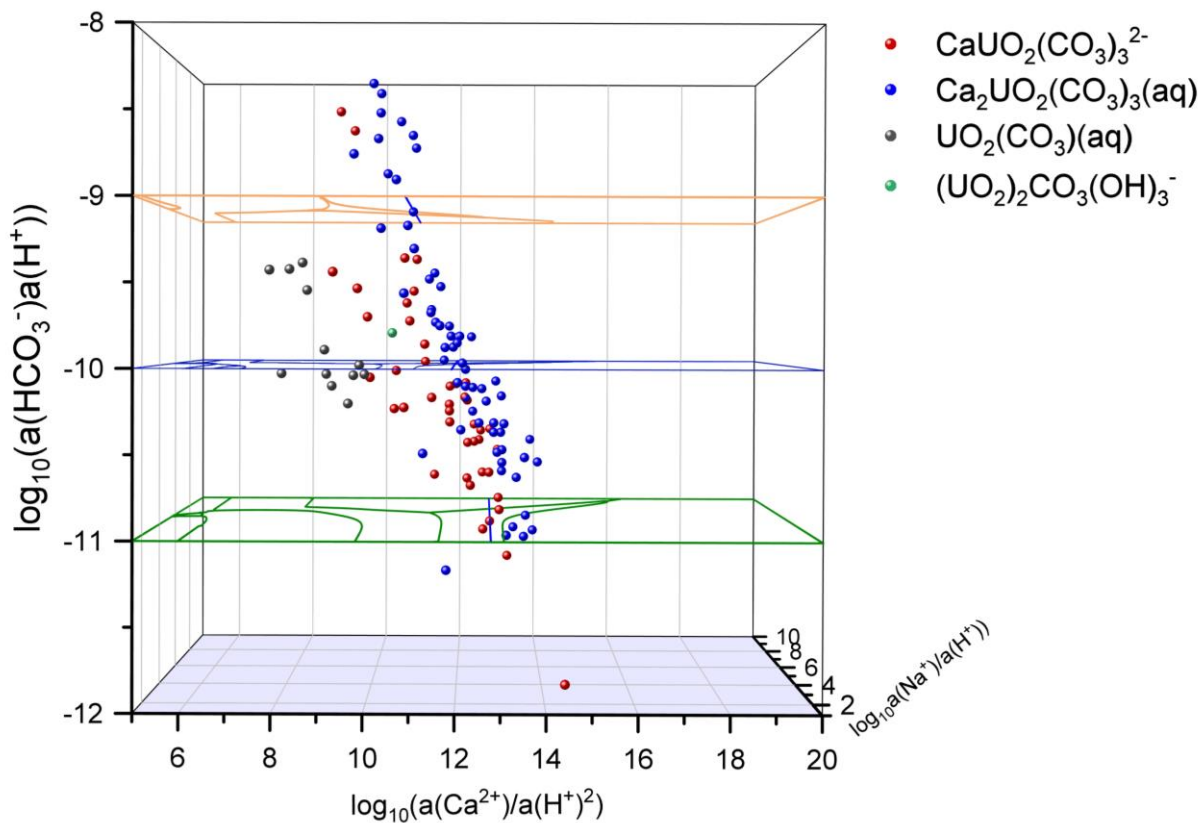


Figure S4. Repartition of the major species in the speciation calculations of the selected water compositions in a $\log_{10}(\text{a}(\text{Ca}^{2+})/\text{a}(\text{H}^+)^2)$ – $\log_{10}(\text{a}(\text{Na}^+)/\text{a}(\text{H}^+))$ – $\log_{10}(\text{a}(\text{HCO}_3^-) \text{a}(\text{H}^+))$ diagram; the values of $\log_{10}(\text{a}(\text{HCO}_3^-) \text{a}(\text{H}^+))$ were respectively fixed to -11, -10, -9 to deduce the $\log_{10}(\text{a}(\text{Ca}^{2+})/\text{a}(\text{H}^+)^2)$ – $\log_{10}(\text{a}(\text{Na}^+)/\text{a}(\text{H}^+))$ predominance diagrams.

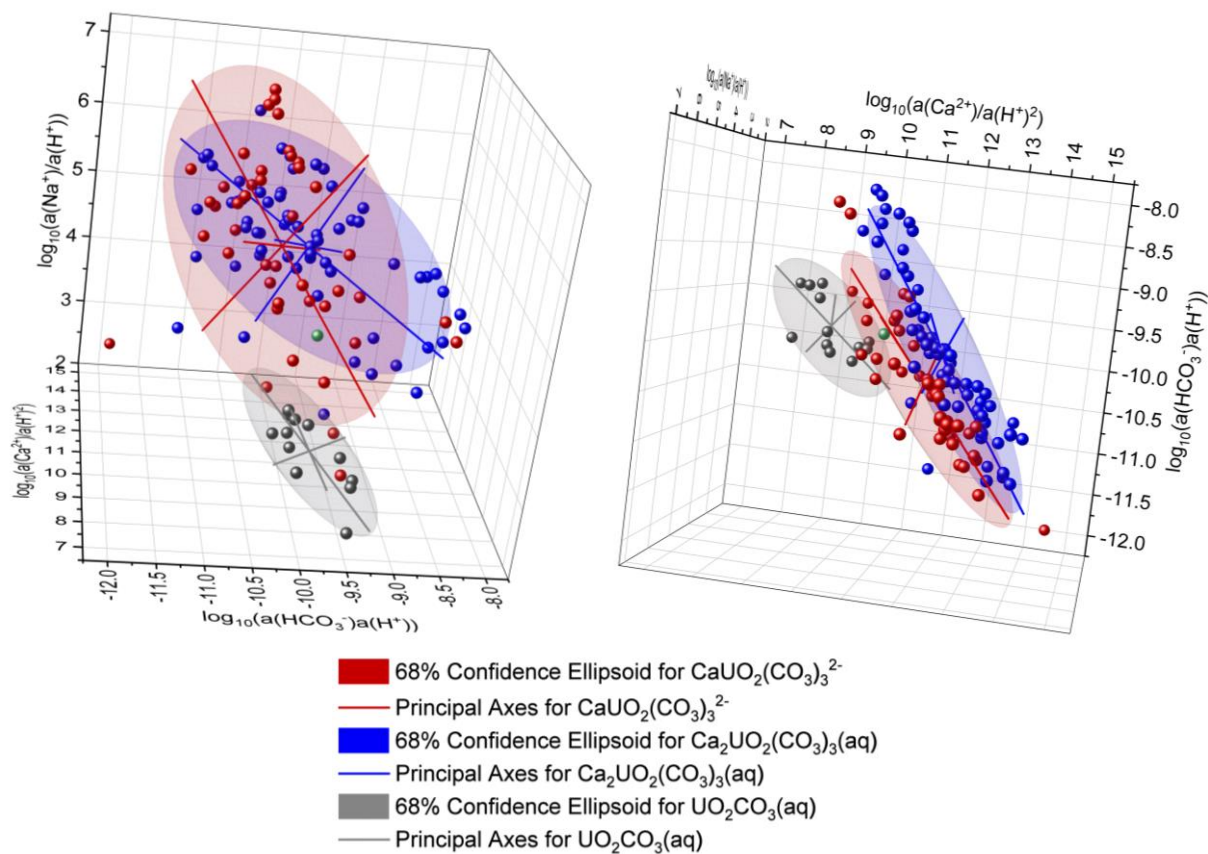


Figure S5. Ellipsoidal predominance regions of $\text{UO}_2\text{CO}_3(\text{aq})$ (grey), $\text{CaUO}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3^{2-}$ (red), and $\text{Ca}_2\text{UO}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3(\text{aq})$ (blue) in $\log_{10}(a(\text{Ca}^{2+})/a(\text{H}^+)^2)$ – $\log_{10}(a(\text{Na}^+)/a(\text{H}^+))$ – $\log_{10}(a(\text{HCO}_3^-)a(\text{H}^+))$ space determined from the sample point-clouds with the interval confidence of 68% from Figure 9 of the main text, seen from two other angles.

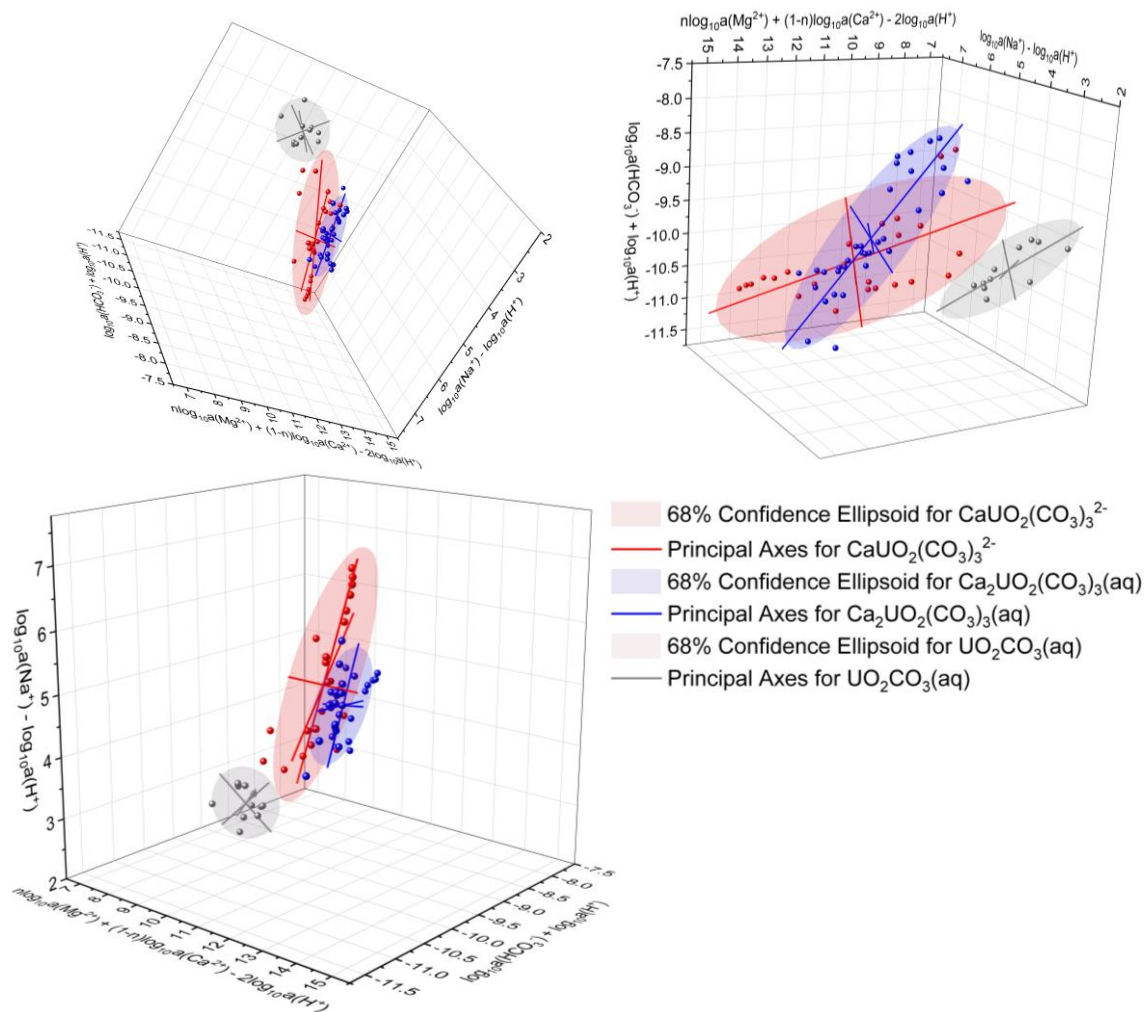


Figure S6. Ellipsoidal predominance regions of $\text{UO}_2\text{CO}_3(\text{aq})$ (grey), $\text{CaUO}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3^{2-}$ (red), and $\text{Ca}_2\text{UO}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3(\text{aq})$ (blue) in $\log_{10}(a(\text{Mg}^{2+})^n a(\text{Ca}^{2+})^{(1-n)}/a(\text{H}^+)^2) - \log_{10}(a(\text{Na}^+)/a(\text{H}^+)) - \log_{10}(a(\text{HCO}_3^-) a(\text{H}^+))$ space determined from the sample point-clouds with the interval confidence of 68%, seen from three different angles.

- Untreated water: $\text{CaUO}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3^{2-} + \text{MgUO}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3^{2-} = 76.67\%$
 $\text{Ca}_2\text{UO}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3(\text{aq}) = 19.75\%$
- Treated water: $\text{CaUO}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3^{2-} + \text{MgUO}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3^{2-} = 48.22\%$
 $\text{Ca}_2\text{UO}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3(\text{aq}) = 50.82\%$

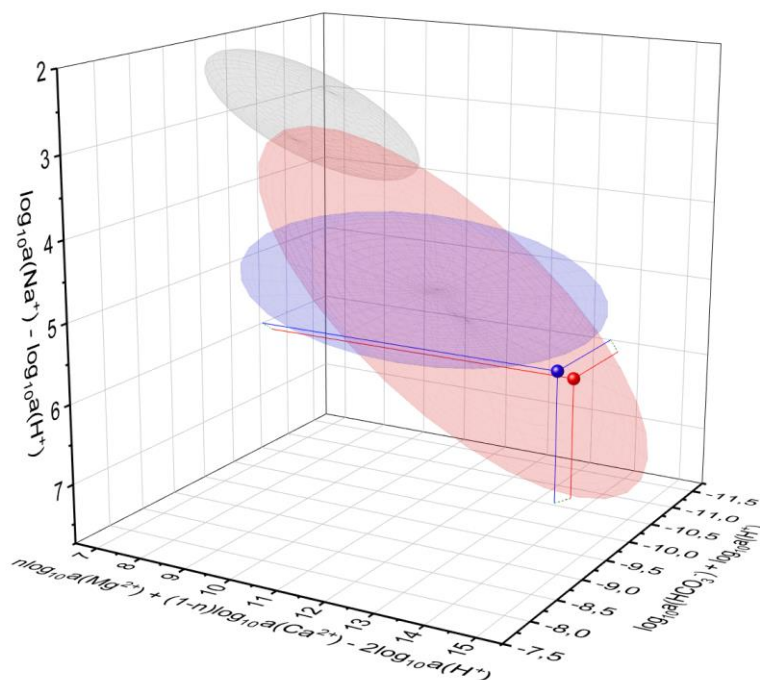
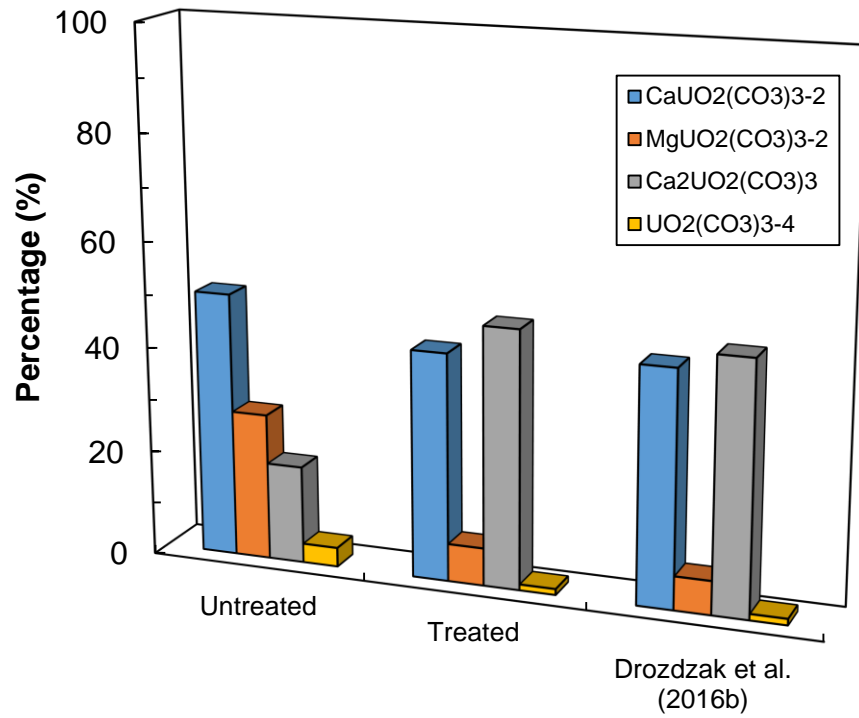
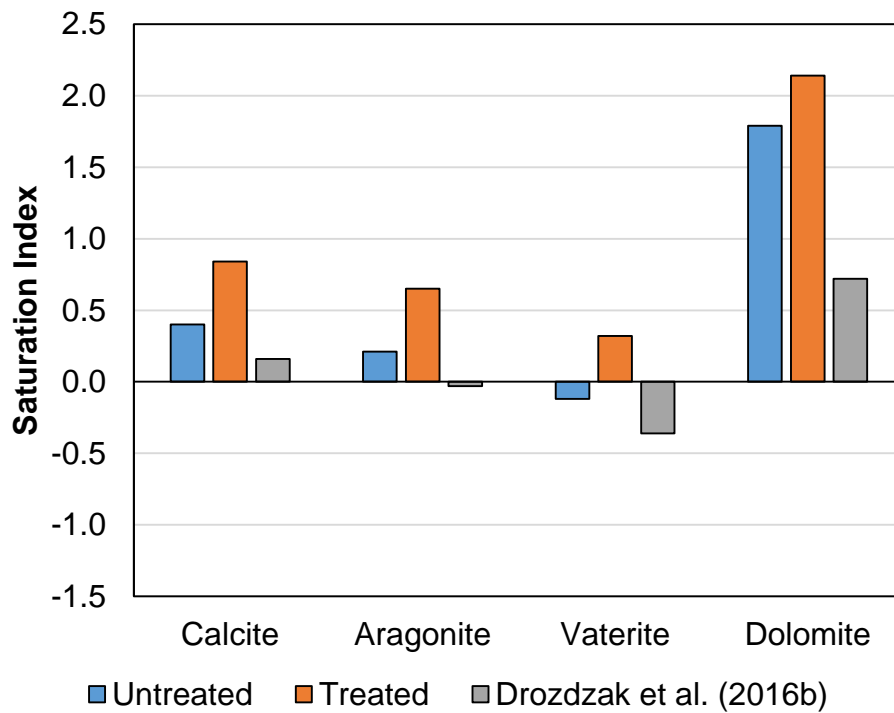


Figure S7. Position of the two Lodève water samples in a $\log_{10}(a(\text{Mg}^{2+})^n a(\text{Ca}^{2+})^{(1-n)} / a(\text{H}^+)^{2n}) - \log_{10}(a(\text{Na}^+) / a(\text{H}^+)) - \log_{10}(a(\text{HCO}_3^-) / a(\text{H}^+))$ diagram. Ellipsoidal predominance regions of $\text{UO}_2\text{CO}_3(\text{aq})$ (grey), $\text{CaUO}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3^{2-}$ (red), and $\text{Ca}_2\text{UO}_2(\text{CO}_3)_3(\text{aq})$ (blue) space determined from the sample point-clouds with the interval confidence of 68%.



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Figure S8. Graphical representation of the uranium speciation using SIT in Table 3 of the main text (a), and calculated saturation index of CaCO₃ and MgCa(CO₃)₂ phases (b).

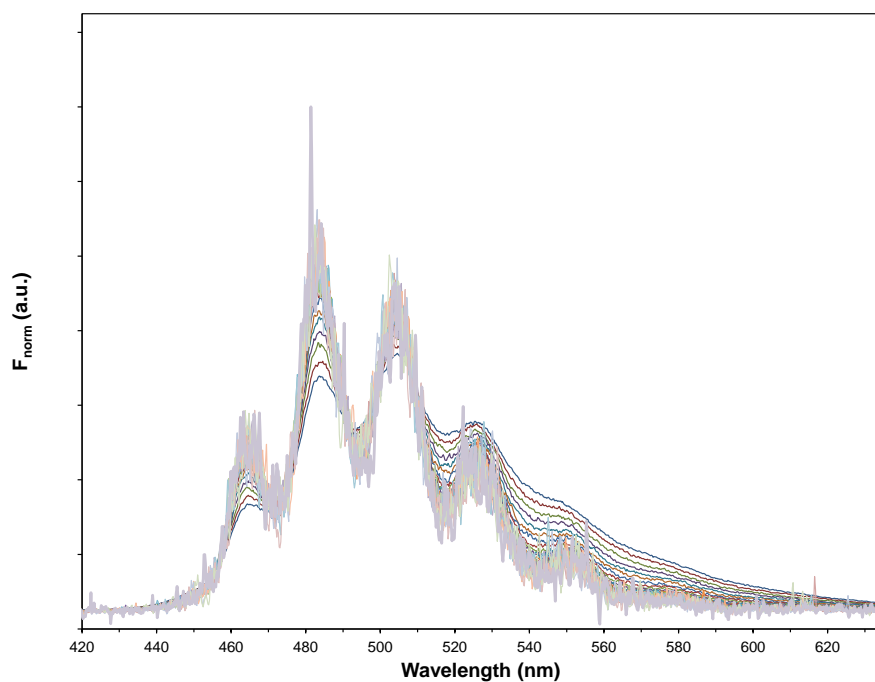


Figure S9. Normalized luminescence spectra of uranium at varying delay time for the untreated water from the site du Bosc.

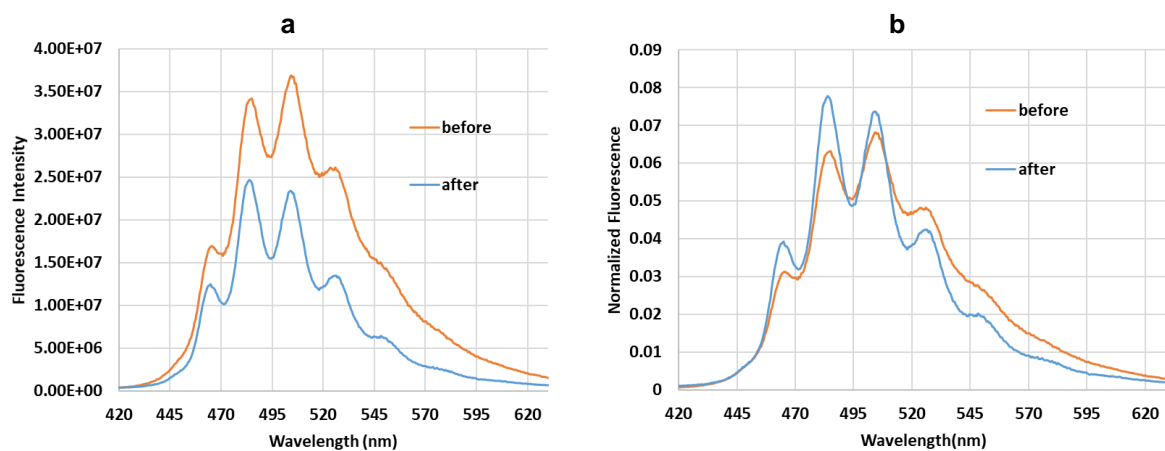


Figure S10. Comparison of (a) luminescence spectra of uranium in the untreated water sample from the site du Bosc at 25°C with delay time of $D = 15$ ns and gate width $W = 50$ ns before and after long period (≈ 5 h) laser excitation at 450 nm. (b) Normalized spectra to the same area.

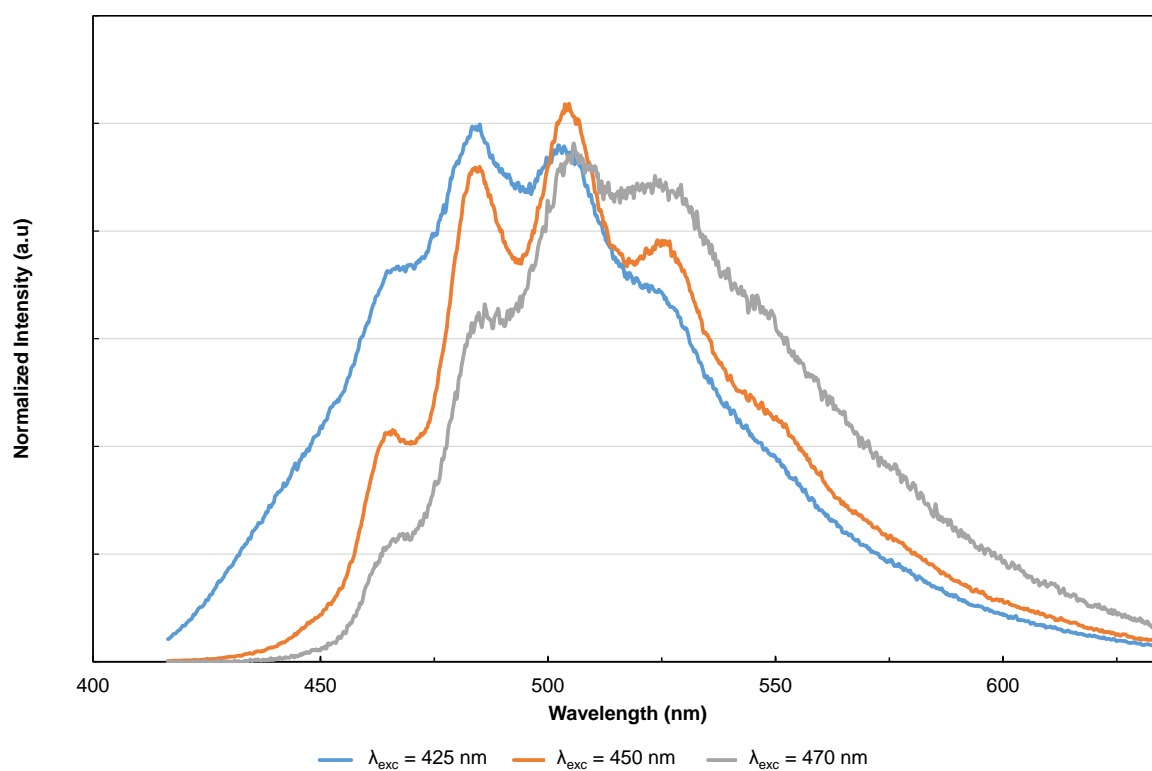


Figure S11. Comparison of fluorescence spectra normalized to the same areas of treated water from the site du Bosc at 25 °C, $D = 20$ ns, $W = 50$ ns, at varying excitation wavelength (λ_{exc}) of 425 (blue), 450 (orange), and 470 (grey) nm.

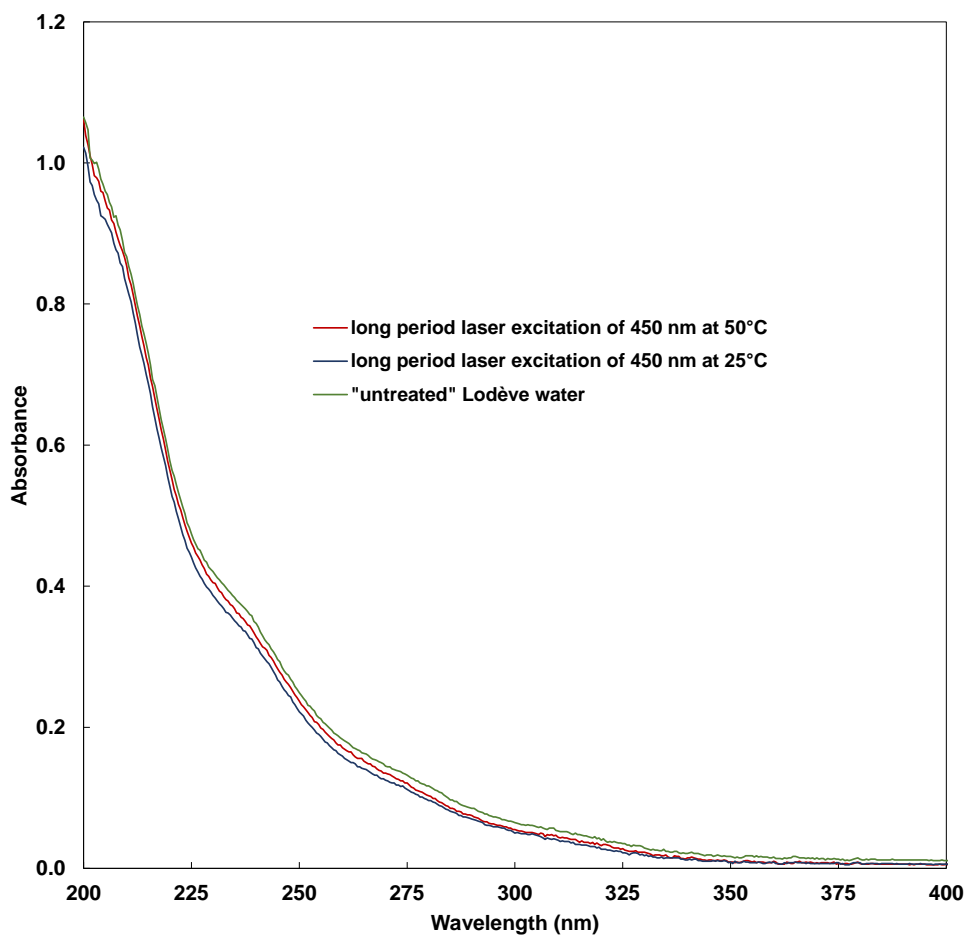


Figure S12. UV/Vis absorption of untreated water samples from the site du Bosc in the range 200 to 400 nm; green line, original water exempt from interruption of temperature and laser excitation; blue line, water sample subjected to long period (≈ 5 h) laser excitation of 450 nm at 25°C; red line, water sample subjected to long period (≈ 5 h) laser excitation of 450 nm at 50°C.

Supplementary Tables

Table S1. Main uranium thermodynamic data and SIT coefficients in the Thermochemie database file, or otherwise stated, used in this study.

Equilibria	$\log_{10}\beta^\circ$	$\Delta_r H^\circ$ kJ mol ⁻¹	$\varepsilon(M,NaCl)$ kg _w mol ⁻¹
$UO_2^{2+} + H_2O \rightleftharpoons UO_2(OH)^+ + H^+$	-5.25	43.458	-0.003
$UO_2^{2+} + 2H_2O \rightleftharpoons UO_2(OH)_2 + 2H^+$	-12.15	111.16	-
$UO_2^{2+} + 3H_2O \rightleftharpoons UO_2(OH)_3^- + 3H^+$	-20.25	148.06	-0.09
$UO_2^{2+} + 4H_2O \rightleftharpoons UO_2(OH)_4^{2-} + 4H^+$	-28.10	-	-
$UO_2^{2+} + CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons UO_2(CO_3)$	9.94	5.0	-
$UO_2^{2+} + 2CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons UO_2(CO_3)_2^{2-}$	16.61	18.5	-0.02
$UO_2^{2+} + 3CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons UO_2(CO_3)_3^{4-}$	21.84	-39.2	-0.01
$2UO_2^{2+} + CO_3^{2-} + 3 H_2O \rightleftharpoons (UO_2)_2(CO_3)(OH)_3^- + 3H^+$	-0.86	-	0
$Ca^{2+} + UO_2^{2+} + 3CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons CaUO_2(CO_3)_3^{2-}$	27.20 ^a 27.0 ^c 27.18 ^d	-34.32 ^b - -	0.29 ^a - -0.02 ^d
$2Ca^{2+} + UO_2^{2+} + 3CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons Ca_2UO_2(CO_3)_3$	30.49 ^a 30.8 ^c 30.7 ^d	-40.45 ^b - -	0.66 ^a - -
$Mg^{2+} + UO_2^{2+} + 3CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons MgUO_2(CO_3)_3^{2-}$	26.40 ^e 26.2 ^c 25.8 ^d	-50.85 ^b - -	0.09 ^e - -0.02 ^{d,*}
$UO_2^{2+} + SO_4^{2-} \rightleftharpoons UO_2(SO_4)$	3.15	19.5	-
$UO_2^{2+} + 2SO_4^{2-} \rightleftharpoons UO_2(SO_4)_2^{2-}$	4.14	35.1	-0.12
$UO_2^{2+} + 3SO_4^{2-} \rightleftharpoons UO_2(SO_4)_3^{4-}$	3.02	-	-

a Shang and Reiller (2020); b Shang and Reiller (2021a); c Grenthe et al. (2020), Thermochemie 11a; d Thermochemie 10a,d; e Shang and Reiller (2021b); * error corrected from analogy of like-charged analysis in Thermochemie 10d.

Table S2. Equations of the principal axes of the ellipsoids for $CaUO_2(CO_3)_3^{2-}$, $Ca_2UO_2(CO_3)_3(aq)$, and $UO_2CO_3(aq)$ species, determined in $\log_{10}(a(Mg^{2+})^n a(Ca^{2+})^{(1-n)}/a(H^+)^2) - \log_{10}(a(Na^+)/a(H^+)) - \log_{10}(a(HCO_3^-) a(H^+))$ space.

	Principal semi-axes	First Principal Axis	Second Principal Axis	Third Principal Axis
$CaUO_2(CO_3)_3^{2-}$	a = 3.82799 b = 1.16547 c = 0.528364	x = 11.7723 - 0.748772 t y = -10.0765 + 0.295652 t z = 5.295 - 0.593238 t	x = 11.7723 + 0.328566 t y = -10.0765 - 0.61175 t z = 5.295 - 0.719587 t	x = 11.7723 - 0.575661 t y = -10.0765 - 0.733724 t z = 5.295 + 0.36092 t
$Ca_2UO_2(CO_3)_3(aq)$	a = 2.72568 b = 0.892228 c = 0.300152	x = 11.6464 - 0.776451 t y = -9.65977 + 0.583603 t z = 4.83921 - 0.237765 t	x = 11.6464 + 0.0511427 t y = -9.65977 - 0.317697 t z = 4.83921 - 0.946812 t	x = 11.6464 - 0.628099 t y = -9.65977 - 0.747313 t z = 4.83921 + 0.216829 t
$UO_2CO_3(aq)$	a = 1.81932 b = 0.662122 c = 0.423642	x = 8.77499 - 0.859795 t y = -9.8316 + 0.35214 t z = 2.8945 - 0.369797 t	x = 8.77499 - 0.493255 t y = -9.8316 - 0.385381 t z = 2.8945 + 0.77986 t	x = 8.77499 + 0.132107 t y = -9.8316 + 0.852923 t z = 2.8945 + 0.505044 t

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