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# MapIT! guide

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The data sheet must be renamed as 'Rawdata'.

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The first row must contain element names. The second row must be empty. From the third row, you can paste your data. The data sheet must be renamed as '**STDMAP**'.

#### **RAW DATA – REFERENCE MATERIAL FILE**



The first row must contain element names. Leave cell A1 empty. The second row must contain the element concentrations in ppm. Within cell A2, insert the name of the standard reference material. The data sheet must be renamed as '**NISTCONCENTRATION**'.

#### **REFERENCE MATERIAL CONCENTRATION FILE**

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To run the MapIT script, the two files (Mapit.m and Mapit.fig) must be in one of your MATLAB paths.

Type 'run Mapit' in the workspace and enter (keyboard) to open the MapIT interface.

## MapIT! - RUN



MapIT! brings you to a step by step map building. Simply follow the step order to avoid possible issues during map building.

## **MapIT! - INTERFACE**

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STEP1

By clicking 'YES', you will start the script run. A window will open asking to load the raw data file for the map. By clicking 'NO', you will end the script.



By clicking 'LOAD.REF. MATERIAL DATA', a window will appear asking to load the raw data of your reference material.



By clicking 'LOAD.REF. MATERIAL CONC.', a window will appear asking to load the file with the elemental concentrations of the reference material.

#### Slide 9



Enter the number of analyzed elements and the number of lines of your map. In this example, we analyzed 10 elements (<sup>43</sup>Ca, <sup>63</sup>Cu, <sup>66</sup>Zn, <sup>67</sup>Zn, <sup>86</sup>Sr, <sup>133</sup>Cs, <sup>137</sup>Ba, <sup>208</sup>Pb, <sup>238</sup>U, <sup>25</sup>Mg) making a 10 line map.

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## **STEP3**



By clicking 'MAP', a raw map of the first element of your analysis set appears, helping you to choose the parameters for background subtraction. Then, you can fill the empty fields on the left with the proper cycle number (x-axis) to select the background area and the analysis area. **Do not forget to click 'SET' and 'RUN'.** 

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By clicking 'MAP', a raw map of the first element of your ref. material analysis appears, helping you to choose the parameters for background subtraction. Then, you can fill the empty fields on the left with the proper cycle number (x-axis) to select the background area and the analysis area. **Do not forget to click 'SET' and 'RUN'.** 

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Enter the column number of the internal standard in the reference material. In this example, we choose Ca as internal standard which is the first element analyzed, appearing in the first column of our raw data. Therefore we enter '1'.

#### Slide 13



The 'CLICK' button brings you back to the MATLAB workspace. Here, you have to enter the internal standard of your sample, typing '**mapbck\_el\***', with \* the number of the element as it appears in the raw data, and enter (keyboard). In this example, we choose Ca which is the first element analyzed, appearing in the first column of our raw data. Therefore we typed 'mapbck\_el1'.

#### Slide 14



Enter the concentration (ppm) of your internal standard in the sample. Do not forget to click 'SET'. In this example, the Ca concentration of our sample is 380000 ppm.

#### Slide 15



By clicking 'Calibration', your raw data will be converted in ppm using both the internal standard and the reference material (see Longerich et al., 1996). If you would like to calibrate ONLY with the reference material, skip this step and go to STEP9 (2).

#### Slide 16



To calibrate ONLY with the external reference material, **skip STEP6, 7, 8 and 9** and click the 'Calibration' button of STEP9 (2).

# **STEP9 (2)**



By clicking 'MAP IT!', you will be go back to the MATLAB workspace. You can choose the element to map by typing EL\*, with \* the number of the element as it appears in your analysis, and enter (keyboard). Otherwise, you can map an element ratio typing EL\*./EL\*.

After that, a text string will appear in the workspace, asking if you would like to map another element. Typing '1' (= yes) you can make another map, typing '0' (= no) you will end the script. You can repeat this process an unlimited number of times.

STEP10



You can change the range of the data considered for the map (STEP4) and/or other parameters (STEP5, 6, 7, 8). Do not forget to APPLY the changes to your data by clicking the proper buttons. Then, recalibrate (STEP9).





More info:

https://mathworks.com/help/matlab/creating\_plots/plotting-tools--interactive-plotting.html

#### Slide 21







**MAP FIGURE - SAVE** 



x-resolution = scan speed x integration time

Y-axis image resolution is equal to the spot size of the laser scans. In this work, we employed e.g. a spot size of 40  $\mu$ m. X-axis image resolution is equal to the scan speed (20  $\mu$ m/s, this work) multiplying the integration time (0.644 s, this work). We therefore obtain a x-axis resolution of c.a. 13  $\mu$ m for the present map.

Since the MapIT maps always have square pixels, the final sizes of the map may not be realistic.

We therefore suggest two different possible approaches.

- 1) Work with the same resolution in both axes, varying for example the scan speed (e.g. 60  $\mu$ m/s x 0.644 s = ~40  $\mu$ m) or the spot size.
- 2) Employ the preferred scan speed. Calculate the resulting x-resolution, then resize the image with a graphic software or with MATLAB itself. In this case, with a 40 µm y-resolution and a 13 µm x-resolution, we should shrink the x-axis to the 32.5% (=13\*100/40) of its actual size.

# **MAP SIZE ADJUSTMENT**