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**Extensive accumulation of rare earth elements in estuarine sediments
affected by leaching of acid sulfate soils**

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XANES analyses

Cerium L_{III}-edge XANES spectra were collected on 6 sediment segments from one of the replicate cores, from the suspended particulate matter (S1, S2) and from the Ce(III) references Ce(III)-sorbed humic acid and Ce(III)-coprecipitated Al(OH)₃. The two Ce(III) references were prepared in a glove box (Ar atmosphere, O₂ < 1 ppm). The former reference was prepared by reacting 70 mg Waskish peat humic acid (purchased from the International Humic Substances Society) with 30 mL deoxygenated 0.001 M Ce³⁺ solution at pH=6 for 2 h. The latter reference was prepared by slowly raising the pH to 5.5, via addition of NaOH, of a deoxygenated 1 L 0.01 M Al³⁺ stocking with 0.2 mM Ce³⁺. After the experiments, the suspensions were centrifuged and washed five times with deoxygenated MQ water.

The XANES measurement was conducted on the multi-pole wiggler beamline I811 at MAX-lab, Lund University, Sweden. The incident X-ray beam, generated by a storage ring operated at 1.5 GeV with beam current of 100-200 mA, was tuned by a double-crystal monochromator (Si [111]) with a size of about 0.5(h)×0.5(v) mm² and a flux of 10¹¹-10¹² photons/sec. High-order harmonics were reduced by detuning the second monochromator crystal to reflect 40% of maximum intensity. Sample was placed at a 45° angle to the incident beam, and fluorescence yield was monitored in fluorescence mode at ambient temperature using a Lytle detector. The unwanted fluorescence signal was reduced by placing a Ti filter and one or two sheets of Al foil between the reference/sample and the detector. To avoid any oxidation, the references and samples were mounted between two layers of Kapton tape in a glove box (Ar atmosphere) at the beamline and the sample chamber was continuously purged with high-purity helium gas during measurement. The energy was calibrated by assigning the first maximum of the derivative of CeO₂ at 5726.2 eV. No radiation-induced damage was observed during data collection, as multiple scans gave identical spectra to one another.

In the software Athena (Ravel and Newville, 2005), multiple XANES scans of each sample and reference were calibrated, aligned and merged into one spectrum each. After pre-edge background removal, the edge jump of the merged spectrum was normalised to unity. The solid-phase speciation of Ce in each sample was quantified by linear combination fitting (LCF) using a number of Ce reference spectra. These included the two spectra collected in this study as well as the spectra of CeO₂, Ce(OH)₄, aqueous Ce³⁺, Ce₂(CO₃)₃, Ce(III)-sorbed mixed-layer clay (ion strength = 0 M, pH=7) and Ce(III)-sorbed 2-line ferrihydrite recorded previously at the same beamline (Yu et al., 2017). The procedure was performed using the Athena software by adding first two reference spectra giving the lowest R-factor, and then adding spectra stepwise as long as the R-factor decreased >10%.

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Table S1. Total concentrations of iron, aluminium and rare earth elements in the sediment core (Master core4). The mud depositional succession extends from the surface to 346 cm. The data of Fe (Yu et al., 2015) and Al (Yu et al., 2016) are from previous studies.

Depth cm	Fe g/kg 0.02	Al g/kg 0.02	La PPM 0.1	Ce PPM 0.02	Pr PPM 0.1	Nd PPM 0.1	Sm PPM 0.1	Eu PPM 0.1	Gd PPM 0.1	Tb PPM 0.1	Dy PPM 0.1	Ho PPM 0.1	Er PPM 0.1	Tm PPM 0.1	Yb PPM 0.1	Lu PPM 0.1
3--6	41.5	73.1	187.5	414.4	50.0	178.5	33.1	5.6	36.5	5.8	32.6	6.3	18.0	2.3	12.7	1.9
6--8	37.1	77.0	201.6	436.8	48.9	171.4	33.3	5.5	35.8	6.0	35.4	6.8	17.8	2.2	13.1	1.9
8--10	35.6	81.4	218.9	472.9	54.7	199.5	36.9	6.6	40.6	6.4	36.9	7.2	19.5	2.5	14.5	2.0
10--12	31.5	82.9	195.9	464.7	51.4	182.6	35.1	6.0	38.6	6.2	35.6	7.2	19.5	2.6	14.5	2.0
12--14	40.2	97.6	215.4	445.8	49.5	190.5	34.1	5.7	36.1	5.7	34.2	6.7	17.0	2.3	13.8	2.0
14--16	39.5	79.5	206.4	439.9	53.6	181.0	34.1	6.1	36.2	6.1	31.6	6.5	17.2	2.5	13.4	2.0
16--18	30.8	81.3	203.2	415.6	47.5	172.5	34.3	5.3	34.3	6.0	35.9	6.6	16.9	2.3	12.7	1.8
18--20	27.9	86.7	240.5	584.6	63.9	223.9	41.8	7.3	46.4	7.5	44.6	8.5	23.3	3.0	17.1	2.3
20--22	39.6	83.9	206.6	474.1	53.5	197.8	37.3	6.2	41.0	6.9	39.3	7.6	19.6	2.6	15.0	2.1
22--24	42.6	75.4	192.1	414.2	45.3	163.4	30.5	5.0	30.3	5.0	29.0	5.9	15.8	2.0	11.5	1.7
24--26	40.5	75.7	225.9	536.9	58.0	189.3	37.4	6.5	39.0	6.6	35.7	6.8	18.9	2.5	14.0	2.2
26--28	45.7	76.2	220.4	499.7	51.5	188.8	33.2	5.8	38.3	6.2	34.1	6.7	17.5	2.4	13.0	2.0
28--30	40.5	88.2	255.7	587.4	60.9	214.7	40.4	6.8	48.6	7.6	45.4	8.5	22.7	2.8	16.3	2.3
30--32	37.3	80.3	195.0	465.9	48.4	177.8	35.0	6.1	38.9	6.6	35.4	6.8	18.1	2.6	13.7	2.0
32--34	39.9	111.8	268.4	663.6	66.0	240.4	45.2	7.9	48.9	8.5	48.4	9.2	25.1	3.3	18.5	2.5
34--36	34.3	90.9	236.9	582.6	65.8	225.7	44.1	7.7	50.0	7.9	44.1	8.1	22.7	3.1	17.7	2.6
36--38	41.2	81.7	221.3	490.8	49.2	175.6	35.1	5.8	36.2	6.2	34.3	6.7	17.2	2.3	13.2	2.0
38--40	41.4	79.3	160.6	336.8	40.3	142.1	27.3	4.6	29.7	4.7	27.6	5.4	14.4	1.8	10.5	1.5
40--42	40.8	87.6	162.9	329.6	37.7	140.9	25.3	3.9	26.0	4.0	24.1	4.8	12.0	1.6	9.7	1.3
42--44	40.6	74.2	162.2	332.7	39.8	145.1	25.5	4.4	30.1	4.6	26.7	5.1	13.8	1.7	10.1	1.4
44--46	39.6	70.3	145.4	310.1	35.3	126.9	24.2	4.0	25.3	4.0	24.3	4.6	12.0	1.5	9.3	1.3
46--48	37.9	79.4	183.0	399.4	44.7	158.4	30.3	5.0	32.3	5.2	30.7	6.0	16.4	2.0	11.2	1.6
48--50	39.2	92.5	212.9	490.9	50.5	186.1	34.7	6.1	37.9	5.9	34.8	6.9	17.8	2.4	13.1	1.9
50--52	41.3	100.1	185.8	400.9	44.3	164.6	30.5	5.2	31.7	5.0	30.7	5.9	15.4	2.1	13.0	1.8
52--54	45.9	72.5	176.2	390.3	42.3	148.7	27.3	4.4	30.5	4.6	26.7	5.4	14.0	2.0	11.1	1.6
54--56	37.3	82.8	207.4	478.1	53.0	180.5	34.1	6.1	38.4	6.4	35.3	7.3	19.9	2.6	14.2	2.1
56--58	37.2	89.2	211.4	486.7	51.7	185.2	37.1	5.9	40.2	6.5	39.3	7.4	20.7	2.4	14.3	2.1
58--60	38.1	84.2	201.9	461.3	51.3	186.6	33.0	6.1	39.2	6.2	35.3	7.5	19.8	2.7	13.9	2.1
60--62	34.9	109.0	255.8	595.7	61.4	219.4	42.9	7.0	46.2	8.0	45.9	8.5	23.5	3.1	17.7	2.4
62--64	41.8	82.5	198.2	492.5	48.8	170.5	31.3	5.3	32.2	6.0	32.3	6.7	16.8	2.3	12.8	1.9
64--66	43.3	86.6	160.5	369.5	38.1	138.3	25.5	4.2	27.4	4.6	25.1	5.3	14.0	1.9	10.4	1.5
66--68	43.9	74.2	172.9	377.5	40.3	142.6	25.7	4.5	27.2	4.5	26.3	5.3	14.2	2.0	10.7	1.5
68--70	39.1	69.9	149.0	339.7	35.9	125.5	23.2	4.0	25.2	4.1	23.7	4.5	12.3	1.7	9.5	1.4
70--72	46.2	74.3	153.9	347.0	33.8	126.4	21.9	3.7	23.6	3.7	22.3	4.2	10.9	1.5	9.0	1.3
72--74	46.0	70.7	177.0	400.6	40.4	142.2	26.2	4.2	27.6	4.3	25.8	4.8	13.0	1.8	10.6	1.4
74--76	44.6	90.2	198.6	477.6	45.6	171.0	31.7	5.1	32.0	5.3	29.1	5.6	15.5	2.1	11.4	1.7
76--78	43.9	74.5	189.5	434.0	45.0	160.8	28.0	4.7	32.2	5.5	30.5	6.0	15.8	2.1	11.7	1.6
78--80	40.6	78.3	185.7	424.6	43.7	157.7	28.8	4.9	31.2	5.1	29.8	5.8	16.3	1.9	11.6	1.7
80--82	41.6	84.9	188.6	446.6	45.5	164.4	29.7	5.0	30.1	5.2	29.7	5.9	15.6	2.0	11.6	1.7
82--84	46.3	73.5	179.6	413.8	42.0	144.8	26.5	4.5	27.5	4.6	27.2	5.3	14.2	1.9	10.9	1.5
84--86	42.9	75.6	190.4	442.3	46.0	166.0	28.3	4.9	31.7	5.3	30.8	5.9	15.7	2.2	11.9	1.8
86--88	46.7	68.9	170.5	379.4	44.5	147.4	27.0	4.8	30.8	4.6	27.1	5.1	15.1	2.0	10.6	1.6
88--90	50.6	71.2	165.6	367.6	38.9	137.5	25.3	4.0	25.6	4.5	25.5	5.1	13.5	1.7	9.9	1.4
90--92	40.1	76.4	182.4	413.2	43.7	156.9	27.2	4.7	29.8	4.8	27.0	5.3	14.4	1.9	10.5	1.5
92--94	38.5	77.8	197.9	427.8	48.4	171.8	31.3	5.1	33.6	5.4	32.2	6.4	16.3	2.1	11.9	1.7
94--96	42.4	73.2	210.4	463.1	47.9	167.4	30.7	4.9	33.7	5.2	30.9	5.7	15.8	1.9	11.7	1.7
96--98	39.4	88.6	180.5	399.7	41.9	158.9	30.3	4.9	30.4	5.0	28.1	5.7	14.0	1.9	11.5	1.6
98--100	43.2	83.0	209.5	467.1	48.5	168.6	31.5	5.2	34.4	5.4	33.2	6.5	16.8	2.1	12.8	1.9
100--102	40.0	78.0	203.2	492.1	53.3	188.3	33.0	5.8	39.1	6.1	35.8	6.9	18.7	2.5	13.9	2.2
102--104	28.2	92.5	237.1	629.5	63.0	231.7	42.8	7.1	46.9	7.7	45.4	8.8	23.5	3.1	17.6	2.6
104--106	36.7	106.0	251.4	543.4	57.0	206.7	38.0	6.0	42.2	6.5	40.2	7.6	19.8	2.6	16.2	2.1
106--108	44.1	72.3	149.8	346.5	37.7	133.4	25.0	4.2	27.3	4.6	26.0	5.0	13.7	1.9	10.4	1.5
108--110	34.0	83.3	192.9	450.0	55.2	185.3	34.5	6.0	41.1	6.3	37.5	7.1	19.9	2.6	14.7	2.2
110--112	31.1	78.4	181.2	429.3	48.1	171.8	33.0	5.9	33.5	5.5	31.8	6.2	16.4	2.2	12.5	1.9
112--114	35.2	80.5	195.4	461.0	47.7	168.7	30.7	4.8	33.7	5.4	30.7	6.1	16.1	2.2	12.8	1.7
114--116	46.6	78.8	159.1	366.6	39.2	142.3	25.6	4.6	30.2	4.8	27.1	5.4	14.6	1.9	10.9	1.5
116--118	39.1	80.3	186.8	443.6	48.4	167.0	30.2	5.4	31.8	5.5	30.3	6.1	16.7	2.2	12.1	1.9
118--120	43.1	86.5	169.4	369.1	40.8	141.8	26.8	4.5	28.7	4.7	27.2	5.0	14.2	1.8	10.3	1.5
120--122	43.4	71.4	135.6	295.2	33.0	117.3	22.3	3.9	24.7	3.9	22.5	4.1	11.0	1.4	8.4	1.2

122-124	43.4	79.3	166.1	370.1	39.1	137.0	26.3	4.5	28.2	4.9	28.4	5.3	15.0	1.8	10.3	1.5
124-126	35.5	77.4	164.9	397.2	41.9	148.5	28.8	4.7	31.3	4.9	29.0	5.5	15.0	2.0	11.6	1.6
126-128	45.5	79.7	144.2	320.3	33.7	123.3	23.6	3.8	25.4	4.2	24.7	4.7	12.3	1.7	9.6	1.4
128-130	37.6	89.6	189.4	464.5	45.9	165.2	30.4	5.2	31.4	5.2	30.9	5.8	15.6	2.1	11.9	1.7
130-132	45.0	82.3	180.4	386.2	46.2	156.7	30.0	4.8	31.6	5.5	29.4	5.7	15.5	2.2	12.0	1.7
132-134	39.6	81.5	179.9	434.4	49.3	163.8	30.5	5.3	31.2	5.5	30.7	6.1	16.1	2.2	12.3	1.7
134-136	37.9	83.1	232.9	551.0	59.7	202.1	39.5	6.8	43.5	7.2	40.5	7.8	20.3	2.8	15.4	2.4
136-138	40.7	81.0	212.9	509.2	50.6	184.9	33.4	5.5	33.6	5.9	34.6	7.0	18.0	2.3	12.9	1.8
138-140	48.1	90.8	201.1	463.5	46.9	166.2	30.1	5.2	34.0	5.3	30.0	6.1	16.2	2.1	12.5	1.7
140-142	39.6	84.4	174.1	376.4	39.4	144.4	26.0	4.3	27.6	4.4	26.6	5.3	13.6	1.8	11.0	1.5
142-144	43.4	76.3	175.3	390.2	46.3	156.2	28.0	5.0	33.8	5.4	30.4	5.7	15.4	2.0	11.4	1.8
144-146	35.2	87.5	212.3	568.5	57.7	198.2	35.3	6.3	38.5	6.7	37.6	7.2	19.8	2.6	14.9	2.3
146-148	37.6	88.7	165.5	362.9	42.7	151.3	29.2	5.0	29.2	5.5	30.6	5.6	15.2	2.2	12.7	1.8
148-150	34.6	84.8	153.2	354.3	40.5	144.3	28.7	4.8	31.3	4.9	29.2	5.7	15.3	1.9	12.0	1.7
150-152	45.2	81.2	137.3	278.0	30.6	113.6	20.9	3.4	23.0	3.4	21.0	4.1	10.5	1.5	8.5	1.2
152-154	44.9	70.3	118.7	258.6	29.3	108.1	19.1	3.3	21.3	3.3	19.8	3.7	10.5	1.3	7.9	1.1
154-156	47.9	82.1	165.6	341.3	37.1	131.6	24.7	4.0	25.4	4.0	24.9	4.8	12.9	1.7	9.9	1.3
156-158	40.5	99.7	185.8	397.9	42.6	159.9	28.4	4.8	32.1	5.0	30.0	5.9	15.6	2.1	12.0	1.8
158-160	37.8	83.8	191.7	456.5	48.9	169.3	31.7	5.5	35.8	6.1	34.6	6.9	17.7	2.4	13.5	2.0
160-162	45.7	71.2	121.5	263.0	29.4	104.8	18.6	3.4	20.9	3.4	19.7	3.7	10.3	1.4	7.9	1.1
162-164	38.3	77.6	149.0	320.6	37.7	132.0	24.1	4.2	26.9	4.3	25.2	4.9	13.8	1.8	10.4	1.4
164-166	33.2	88.4	165.0	357.1	41.6	150.1	28.4	4.7	29.1	5.1	30.8	6.1	16.1	2.0	11.5	1.8
166-168	34.1	95.4	185.8	417.3	48.8	172.4	32.7	5.7	36.5	6.0	34.2	6.5	17.2	2.4	13.7	1.9
168-170	33.9	86.3	166.8	378.4	45.3	153.9	28.6	5.2	32.9	5.5	32.5	6.1	17.3	2.2	12.6	1.7
170-172	35.7	108.1	169.8	368.6	42.4	163.1	30.0	5.2	31.9	5.1	32.0	6.0	16.1	2.1	12.6	1.8
172-174	35.7	82.4	167.0	388.3	41.7	150.2	29.5	4.9	32.6	5.3	30.1	5.9	15.9	2.1	12.3	1.6
174-176	37.6	83.1	199.6	419.5	45.9	163.8	31.9	5.1	34.9	5.6	33.2	6.3	17.2	2.1	11.8	1.8
176-178	38.5	87.3	153.1	338.2	39.7	146.7	27.0	4.6	29.6	4.8	27.6	5.6	15.0	1.9	11.1	1.5
178-180	39.9	86.0	119.6	247.3	28.7	104.5	20.3	3.3	21.7	3.6	21.1	4.0	10.8	1.5	8.5	1.2
180-182	39.2	85.6	143.1	306.6	35.3	127.7	23.1	4.4	24.9	4.5	24.3	4.7	13.3	1.8	10.2	1.6
182-184	42.0	77.4	122.1	261.5	30.0	107.5	19.6	3.4	20.8	3.7	20.3	3.8	10.3	1.4	8.1	1.3
184-186	44.6	71.8	107.1	220.1	25.4	88.7	17.2	2.9	17.8	2.7	16.7	3.3	8.8	1.1	6.7	1.0
186-188	47.0	67.6	100.5	209.4	24.2	84.7	14.5	2.7	16.1	2.5	13.9	2.9	7.3	1.1	5.9	0.9
188-190	46.4	65.5	92.1	193.2	21.1	73.0	13.6	2.4	13.7	2.3	12.2	2.5	6.6	0.9	5.6	0.8
190-192	46.4	65.4	96.8	198.5	22.2	77.3	13.5	2.5	14.2	2.3	13.5	2.6	7.4	1.0	5.6	0.8
192-194	47.0	69.1	99.7	201.5	23.5	80.3	13.9	2.4	16.4	2.6	14.9	2.9	7.6	1.0	6.1	0.9
194-196	49.1	79.2	95.9	192.1	22.4	75.1	13.8	2.4	14.0	2.2	13.3	2.5	7.0	1.0	5.6	0.8
196-198	45.1	68.9	101.2	201.4	22.9	78.8	14.9	2.5	15.5	2.4	14.3	2.7	7.7	0.9	6.0	0.8
198-200	44.7	70.1	104.5	216.3	23.4	81.4	13.4	2.6	15.3	2.6	13.8	2.8	7.6	1.1	5.9	1.0
200-202	47.8	63.1	97.6	199.9	21.2	73.4	12.8	2.3	14.2	2.1	12.9	2.6	6.9	0.9	5.5	0.8
202-204	48.0	65.9	89.0	180.9	19.7	69.3	12.7	2.2	13.0	2.2	12.4	2.5	7.0	0.9	5.2	0.7
204-206	47.5	66.7	89.8	187.4	20.8	73.3	12.3	2.1	12.3	2.0	11.4	2.2	6.7	0.9	4.8	0.8
206-208	47.1	65.0	92.8	191.0	21.8	74.9	13.9	2.5	14.6	2.3	13.0	2.6	6.9	0.9	5.4	0.9
208-210	51.5	60.5	82.3	167.5	18.4	65.0	12.1	2.0	11.4	1.7	9.9	2.1	5.3	0.7	4.6	0.6
210-212	49.4	63.3	94.2	192.0	22.4	75.9	13.3	2.4	13.2	2.1	12.0	2.3	6.9	1.0	5.1	0.9
212-214	50.9	68.0	89.0	179.8	20.5	71.0	12.4	2.2	12.4	1.9	11.1	2.3	6.4	0.9	5.3	0.8
214-216	49.7	67.0	90.5	194.8	21.3	72.4	12.8	2.2	11.9	2.0	11.7	2.3	6.3	0.9	5.2	0.8
216-218	47.3	66.2	95.3	188.4	20.3	74.9	13.0	2.3	12.7	2.1	11.9	2.4	6.5	0.9	5.1	0.8
218-220	47.6	74.7	109.9	227.2	25.5	90.3	16.3	2.7	16.2	2.8	16.3	3.3	8.9	1.2	7.3	1.0
220-222	46.7	77.1	108.2	228.8	25.4	89.8	15.5	2.8	17.1	2.7	15.2	3.0	8.3	1.1	6.3	0.9
222-224	54.2	63.2	79.1	160.2	18.0	63.3	11.4	2.0	11.8	1.9	10.4	2.1	6.0	0.8	4.5	0.7
224-226	51.3	61.0	79.2	156.3	17.2	60.0	10.3	1.8	11.5	1.9	10.4	1.9	5.5	0.7	4.3	0.7
226-228	51.3	69.5	102.5	205.8	23.1	79.8	13.8	2.5	15.3	2.4	14.4	2.8	7.8	1.0	6.1	0.9
228-230	46.7	70.4	102.9	211.2	24.3	81.3	14.8	2.7	15.6	2.5	14.3	2.7	7.8	1.0	5.8	0.9
230-232	47.4	67.1	90.9	187.5	20.7	71.7	13.2	2.3	13.0	2.1	11.6	2.4	6.6	0.8	5.3	0.7
232-234	45.0	68.5	100.4	202.1	22.8	80.6	14.8	2.6	14.8	2.5	14.3	2.7	7.7	1.0	5.9	1.0
234-236	47.1	73.2	106.0	206.9	23.8	82.4	15.1	2.6	16.7	2.6	15.5	3.0	8.3	1.0	6.2	0.9
236-238	50.6	75.4	92.4	177.3	19.6	68.8	12.9	2.3	12.7	2.0	11.5	2.4	6.4	0.9	5.0	0.8
238-240	50.7	65.3	74.5	140.4	15.2	56.1	10.1	1.7	9.6	1.6	8.9	1.8	5.0	0.7	4.1	0.6
240-242	50.1	69.8	88.2	177.4	20.7	68.9	12.1	2.1	12.9	2.1	11.9	2.2	6.6	0.8	5.2	0.8
242-244	48.3	62.6	67.4	134.0	15.0	53.8	9.8	1.6	9.4	1.5	8.3	1.7	5.0	0.7	4.0	0.6
244-246	50.4	64.0	59.2	109.5	13.0	47.3	8.7	1.5	8.3	1.2	7.5	1.5	4.0	0.5	3.5	0.5
246-248	49.0	64.1	57.9	111.4	13.1	47.6	8.2	1.5	8.0	1.3	7.1	1.4	4.3	0.6	3.4	0.5
248-250	50.2	65.1	65.5	129.3	15.2	53.9	9.5	1.8	9.1	1.5	8.3	1.6	4.7	0.6	3.8	0.6
250-252	49.5	67.5	67.0	129.1	14.6	53.5	9.8	1.8	9.4	1.5	8.4	1.7	4.9	0.7	4.1	0.6
252-254	47.4	65.8	73.5	146.3	17.8	59.2	10.3	2.0	11.1	1.7	9.1	1.9	5.4	0.8	4.6	0.7
254-256	49.2	67.6	62.2	122.5	14.3	50.1	8.6	1.6	8.4	1.3	8.0	1.6	4.5	0.6	3.7	0.6
256-258	50.8	70.7	68.0	132.9	15.0	56.4	10.4	1.7	10.3	1.5	8.6	1.7	5.0	0.7	4.1	0.6

258-260	48.7	64.6	64.3	128.0	15.3	53.3	9.1	1.7	9.0	1.4	8.0	1.6	4.8	0.7	4.0	0.6
260-262	48.9	72.0	74.9	149.6	17.1	60.0	11.5	1.9	10.8	1.7	10.0	2.0	5.9	0.7	4.6	0.8
262-264	51.6	76.9	76.0	147.0	15.8	58.2	10.6	1.7	10.8	1.5	9.2	1.9	5.3	0.7	4.3	0.6
264-266	47.4	66.5	71.6	143.0	16.5	56.7	10.2	1.7	9.6	1.6	8.7	1.7	5.1	0.7	4.3	0.6
266-268	50.1	64.8	67.8	130.8	15.5	55.3	9.8	1.7	10.2	1.5	8.1	1.7	4.8	0.7	4.1	0.6
268-270	48.7	66.5	73.0	149.1	17.3	60.0	10.4	1.9	10.2	1.7	9.5	2.0	5.4	0.7	4.3	0.7
270-272	49.4	66.3	65.0	133.4	15.0	52.5	9.5	1.7	8.2	1.5	8.2	1.7	4.4	0.7	4.0	0.6
272-274	47.9	64.4	68.4	128.1	14.0	53.8	9.3	1.7	8.8	1.3	8.4	1.6	4.0	0.6	3.9	0.6
274-276	47.6	74.1	91.3	177.1	20.1	72.6	13.8	2.3	13.9	2.2	13.0	2.5	7.3	0.9	5.6	0.8
276-278	51.9	65.4	80.7	157.1	17.6	66.0	11.9	1.9	11.6	1.8	11.2	2.2	5.6	0.8	4.8	0.7
278-280	52.4	72.5	69.7	135.8	16.2	57.1	10.9	1.9	10.1	1.7	9.7	1.9	5.3	0.7	4.6	0.6
280-282	50.5	66.1	61.1	119.1	13.7	49.9	8.9	1.6	9.1	1.3	7.6	1.5	4.2	0.6	3.6	0.5
282-284	49.4	67.1	59.8	112.7	13.5	47.8	8.5	1.6	7.8	1.2	7.2	1.5	4.2	0.6	3.5	0.5
284-286	48.8	65.2	60.0	115.1	13.5	47.8	8.6	1.5	8.1	1.3	7.8	1.5	4.1	0.6	3.6	0.6
286-288	49.2	63.9	57.2	109.7	12.9	47.2	8.4	1.4	7.9	1.3	6.9	1.3	3.8	0.5	3.4	0.6
288-290	48.2	64.4	64.4	120.4	13.8	50.8	8.9	1.5	8.0	1.3	7.8	1.6	4.0	0.6	3.6	0.6
290-292	49.5	70.4	62.2	114.7	14.1	50.7	9.8	1.7	9.1	1.3	7.9	1.4	4.4	0.6	3.7	0.5
292-294	48.0	69.7	58.3	110.6	12.8	47.3	8.9	1.6	8.0	1.2	7.2	1.4	4.0	0.5	3.5	0.5
294-296	48.5	67.6	65.1	124.1	13.6	53.9	9.1	1.5	8.2	1.3	7.9	1.5	4.1	0.6	3.8	0.6
296-298	48.1	62.7	55.6	101.0	12.3	45.1	8.5	1.4	7.8	1.2	7.0	1.4	4.0	0.5	3.6	0.6
298-300	48.3	68.8	58.2	120.5	14.2	50.7	8.6	1.5	7.8	1.4	7.2	1.5	3.9	0.6	3.7	0.6
300-302	47.9	63.8	61.4	121.6	14.0	50.3	8.9	1.7	9.2	1.4	8.2	1.6	4.6	0.6	3.8	0.5
302-304	52.9	66.9	59.2	120.1	14.4	50.4	8.5	1.6	7.7	1.3	7.4	1.5	4.0	0.6	3.3	0.5
304-306	50.8	67.6	60.6	123.2	14.5	53.2	9.5	1.7	9.0	1.3	7.9	1.6	4.1	0.6	3.8	0.6
306-308	50.0	65.2	55.1	106.8	13.1	45.4	8.4	1.5	7.9	1.2	7.1	1.3	4.1	0.6	3.4	0.5
308-310	50.0	64.9	61.3	118.8	14.7	51.3	9.3	1.7	9.1	1.3	7.3	1.5	4.4	0.6	3.6	0.5
310-312	47.0	63.9	55.1	102.9	11.7	44.6	8.1	1.3	7.3	1.1	6.7	1.3	3.5	0.5	3.2	0.5
312-314	54.8	65.4	55.2	106.5	12.2	44.4	8.1	1.5	8.0	1.2	6.8	1.3	3.7	0.5	3.3	0.5
314-316	49.5	62.7	62.2	125.3	15.5	53.9	10.3	1.8	9.9	1.5	8.2	1.5	4.6	0.6	3.9	0.6
316-318	52.2	66.3	56.4	108.6	12.9	46.0	8.7	1.5	8.2	1.2	7.3	1.4	4.3	0.5	3.6	0.5
318-320	50.3	63.0	54.4	102.6	12.3	44.7	7.6	1.4	7.8	1.1	6.7	1.3	3.8	0.5	3.2	0.5
320-322	52.4	68.4	55.4	108.8	12.8	45.2	8.5	1.5	7.7	1.2	7.4	1.4	4.2	0.5	3.4	0.5
322-324	52.7	61.4	59.4	116.4	13.8	46.6	8.2	1.6	8.3	1.4	7.5	1.4	4.0	0.6	3.5	0.5
324-326	50.6	67.7	55.4	111.4	13.3	46.4	8.5	1.5	7.6	1.2	6.7	1.3	3.6	0.5	3.6	0.5
326-328	51.3	67.1	50.5	107.2	12.7	46.3	8.1	1.7	6.5	1.1	6.3	1.2	3.5	0.6	3.4	0.5
328-330	50.4	65.3	49.6	99.0	11.9	43.6	7.7	1.3	7.2	1.1	6.4	1.3	3.6	0.5	3.2	0.5
330-332	50.1	73.5	48.1	99.4	12.1	40.6	7.8	1.4	7.0	1.1	6.1	1.3	3.3	0.5	3.2	0.4
332-334	50.7	66.2	50.8	97.5	11.2	43.4	7.5	1.3	7.4	1.0	6.2	1.2	3.4	0.5	3.2	0.5
334-336	52.6	69.0	49.6	98.0	11.7	42.6	8.2	1.5	7.5	1.1	6.5	1.2	3.6	0.5	3.3	0.5
336-338	50.7	67.0	49.9	98.2	11.7	43.3	8.1	1.6	7.4	1.2	6.0	1.3	3.4	0.5	3.4	0.5
338-340	50.8	62.5	49.0	102.6	12.6	42.8	7.9	1.6	7.1	1.1	6.5	1.3	3.9	0.6	3.0	0.5
340-342	53.1	63.6	46.3	92.0	11.0	39.8	7.6	1.3	6.2	1.0	6.0	1.1	3.5	0.5	3.0	0.5
342-344	56.5	63.6	49.4	100.9	12.3	44.5	7.7	1.4	7.2	1.1	6.5	1.2	3.4	0.5	3.0	0.5
344-346	54.7	62.7	48.3	98.8	11.9	44.5	8.1	1.5	7.3	1.1	6.5	1.3	3.4	0.5	3.4	0.5
346-360	37.5	58.3	33.5	63.5	7.8	28.2	5.7	1.1	4.2	0.7	3.8	0.8	2.2	0.3	2.1	0.3
360-370	40.6	73.1	48.0	100.0	11.9	42.5	7.6	1.4	6.7	1.0	5.5	1.1	3.4	0.5	3.1	0.5
370-380	40.0	75.4	43.6	90.8	11.1	37.3	6.7	1.4	6.0	1.0	5.1	1.1	3.0	0.4	2.9	0.5
380-390	32.0	69.7	39.8	78.7	9.5	34.6	6.8	1.4	6.5	0.9	5.5	1.0	2.9	0.4	2.7	0.4
390-400	28.1	64.0	34.9	70.3	8.5	30.6	5.9	1.0	5.3	0.8	4.3	0.8	2.5	0.3	2.4	0.3
400-410	33.5	66.9	36.1	73.3	9.0	33.4	6.1	1.2	6.4	0.8	5.2	1.0	3.0	0.4	2.8	0.4
410-420	33.4	64.2	34.5	68.3	8.2	32.7	6.0	1.0	4.7	0.8	4.9	1.0	2.7	0.4	2.7	0.4
420-430	42.5	78.8	46.4	91.5	10.9	39.6	7.3	1.4	6.2	1.1	6.0	1.1	3.3	0.5	3.1	0.5
430-440	40.3	68.3	42.9	82.4	9.8	36.2	6.7	1.2	6.0	0.9	5.5	1.1	2.9	0.5	2.8	0.4
440-450	41.2	77.0	46.1	90.1	10.7	38.0	7.6	1.4	6.2	1.0	6.1	1.2	3.3	0.5	2.8	0.5
450-460	38.5	73.6	41.9	82.8	9.9	37.5	7.6	1.4	6.5	1.0	5.8	1.1	3.4	0.5	3.0	0.5
460-473	36.6	69.3	40.1	77.9	9.5	34.9	6.5	1.3	6.1	0.9	5.1	1.0	3.1	0.5	3.1	0.4

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Table S2. Accumulation rate ($\text{g}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}\cdot\text{year}^{-1}$) of rare earth elements (REE) in the mud depositional succession (Master core4).

Segment (cm)	$\sum \text{REE}$	Segment (cm)	$\sum \text{REE}$	Segment (cm)	$\sum \text{REE}$
3-6	12.00	118-120	20.81	232-234	1.72
6-8	12.38	120-122	15.85	234-236	1.87
8-10	12.12	122-124	18.21	236-238	1.80
10-12	11.50	124-126	18.65	238-240	1.43
12-14	10.49	126-128	14.92	240-242	1.87
14-16	12.19	128-130	13.48	242-244	1.13
16-18	20.32	130-132	12.04	244-246	1.23
18-20	25.17	132-134	12.91	246-248	1.26
20-22	19.82	134-136	16.50	248-250	1.48
22-24	9.44	136-138	15.57	250-252	1.52
24-26	9.35	138-140	14.89	252-254	1.74
26-28	13.31	140-142	19.51	254-256	1.16
28-30	17.73	142-144	20.90	256-258	1.59
30-32	15.76	144-146	28.16	258-260	1.54
32-34	15.26	146-148	20.03	260-262	1.82
34-36	14.47	148-150	17.32	262-264	1.79
36-38	18.85	150-152	12.18	264-266	1.39
38-40	14.96	152-154	14.52	266-268	1.57
40-42	15.57	154-156	23.20	268-270	1.74
42-44	11.35	156-158	24.62	270-272	1.21
44-46	10.38	158-160	8.14	272-274	1.21
46-48	19.96	160-162	15.33	274-276	1.76
48-50	23.95	162-164	20.02	276-278	1.94
50-52	20.53	164-166	21.21	278-280	1.73
52-54	11.04	166-168	15.35	280-282	1.51
54-56	12.96	168-170	13.56	282-284	1.16
56-58	19.00	170-172	19.76	284-286	1.47
58-60	17.38	172-174	20.94	286-288	1.49
60-62	20.72	174-176	24.09	288-290	1.67
62-64	10.86	176-178	6.89	290-292	1.35
64-66	8.48	178-180	5.21	292-294	1.59
66-68	15.81	180-182	6.34	294-296	1.77
68-70	14.65	182-184	2.50	296-298	1.45
70-72	15.33	184-186	2.11	298-300	1.26
72-74	12.59	186-188	1.56	300-302	1.63
74-76	15.72	188-190	1.41	302-304	1.60
76-78	13.14	190-192	1.66	304-306	1.67
78-80	12.63	192-194	1.72	306-308	1.21
80-82	19.20	194-196	1.73	308-310	1.64
82-84	18.65	196-198	1.79	310-312	1.39
84-86	21.32	198-200	1.83	312-314	1.19
86-88	11.83	200-202	1.60	314-316	1.48

88-90	11.22	202-204	1.48	316-318	1.52
90-92	20.03	204-206	1.45	318-320	1.36
92-94	20.95	206-208	1.50	320-322	1.46
94-96	21.19	208-210	1.46	322-324	1.26
96-98	18.41	210-212	1.69	324-326	1.51
98-100	21.01	212-214	1.48	326-328	1.59
100-102	19.40	214-216	1.48	328-330	1.48
102-104	17.88	216-218	1.19	330-332	1.42
104-106	17.87	218-220	1.68	332-334	1.15
106-108	10.09	220-222	1.56	334-336	1.42
108-110	11.85	222-224	1.27	336-338	1.43
110-112	21.35	224-226	1.23	338-340	1.41
112-114	22.17	226-228	1.65	340-342	1.24
114-116	18.70	228-230	1.68	342-344	1.29
116-118	23.23	230-232	1.18		

Table S3. Concentrations of rare earth elements (REEs), Al and Fe extracted in each step of a 7-step sequential chemical extraction applied on 12 segments from the mud depositional succession. The uppermost eight samples are from the upper mud unit, and the four lowermost samples from the lower mud unit. The data of Fe (Yu et al., 2015) and Al (Yu et al., 2016) are from previous studies.

Segment	$\sum\text{REE}$ (mg/kg)						
	Sequential chemical extraction step						
	Step 7	Step 6	Step 5	Step 4	Step 3	Step 2	Step 1
20-28 cm	32.22	4.44	31.74	822.30	22.16	39.15	0.64
42-50 cm	42.44	4.44	25.56	610.92	10.98	22.84	0.26
70-78 cm	40.34	4.91	25.87	649.61	16.39	28.88	0.32
94-102 cm	34.30	4.38	33.01	806.85	18.11	30.95	0.26
112-120 cm	38.01	4.81	30.80	774.58	15.82	30.29	0.27
126-134 cm	35.21	4.29	27.64	674.49	14.00	26.60	0.25
144-152 cm	35.00	3.99	22.36	693.78	13.99	31.46	0.26
168-176 cm	37.43	3.72	21.91	670.68	11.86	25.47	0.10
192-200 cm	59.24	4.22	8.63	295.73	6.81	16.40	0.34
208-216 cm	54.60	4.15	10.36	306.88	5.26	11.59	0.27
266-274 cm	58.93	3.74	5.56	211.95	3.80	7.92	0.24
314-322 cm	66.19	3.32	3.07	117.06	2.79	6.39	0.15

Segment	Al (g/kg)						
	Sequential chemical extraction step						
	Step 7	Step 6	Step 5	Step 4	Step 3	Step 2	Step 1
20-28 cm	8.12	1.29	1.79	57.07	1.16	0.80	0.39
42-50 cm	8.16	1.25	1.22	41.82	0.29	0.32	0.05
70-78 cm	8.23	1.28	1.42	39.83	0.21	0.20	0.04
94-102 cm	7.14	1.09	1.45	55.16	0.35	0.40	0.03
112-120 cm	7.65	1.21	1.57	53.79	0.30	0.34	0.05
126-134 cm	7.31	1.16	1.31	49.18	0.28	0.27	0.03
144-152 cm	6.85	0.98	1.29	58.66	0.35	0.44	0.08
168-176 cm	6.98	1.11	1.24	56.66	0.54	0.63	0.03
192-200 cm	10.38	1.48	0.69	15.89	0.23	0.27	0.05
208-216 cm	10.19	1.41	0.78	16.89	0.16	0.18	0.03
266-274 cm	10.78	1.57	0.64	11.09	0.14	0.15	0.03
314-322 cm	11.52	1.65	0.53	5.32	0.08	0.08	0.03

Segment	Fe (g/kg)						
	Sequential chemical extraction step						
	Step 7	Step 6	Step 5	Step 4	Step 3	Step 2	Step 1
20-28 cm	9.55	2.63	2.05	16.13	1.97	3.40	1.64
42-50 cm	10.23	6.07	2.22	15.48	1.27	2.48	1.39
70-78 cm	10.80	2.49	3.07	17.95	3.50	4.14	1.78
94-102 cm	9.47	2.12	2.68	17.85	3.11	4.67	2.48
112-120 cm	10.10	2.67	2.84	18.09	2.56	4.03	2.42
126-134 cm	9.72	2.19	2.75	17.08	2.80	4.40	2.49
144-152 cm	9.37	2.04	2.45	17.10	2.03	4.04	2.22
168-176 cm	9.45	2.16	2.33	13.62	1.85	3.73	2.33
192-200 cm	14.28	2.86	3.32	13.63	3.18	5.36	1.59
208-216 cm	13.62	3.39	3.52	18.22	4.58	3.95	1.45
266-274 cm	14.66	2.95	3.78	14.68	4.14	4.53	1.30
314-322 cm	15.51	2.87	3.11	16.87	3.70	6.52	1.71

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