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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Aqueous alteration of the Vastitas Borealis Formation at the Tianwen-1 landing site

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Supplementary Notes 1: MarSCoDe Description and Data Acquisition

The MarSCoDe onboard Zhurong rover is a stand-off instrument suite with the capability of determining elemental and mineral compositions at a distance of 1.6 – 7 m. MarsCoDe consists of a Laser-Induced Breakdown Spectrometer (LIBS) to determine elemental compositions and a Short-Wave Infrared Spectrometer (SWIR) to obtain reflectance spectra¹⁻³.

The LIBS uses a passive Q-switched Nd:YAG laser with a wavelength of 1064 nm, laser energy of 23 mJ per pulse (10 mJ per pulse at 3 m), pulse duration of 4 ns, and repetition rate of 1 – 3 Hz. The output laser is focused on the surface of targets through a beam expander and a telescope. The laser spot size focused on targets varies with different distances, which are 0.06 mm at 1.6 m, 0.11 mm at 3.0 m, 0.18 mm at 5.0 m, and 0.25 mm at 7.0 m. The emission lines from the plasma excited by the laser are collected by the telescope and are transferred into a three-channel spectrometer module with the spectral range of 240 – 340 nm, 340 – 540 nm, and 540 – 850 nm. MarSCoDe carries 12 calibration targets, including six igneous rocks (hypersthene, andesite, olivine, basalt, norite, and K-feldspar), five minerals (nontronite, montmorillonite, dolomite, gypsum, and apatite), and a 6-4 Ti alloy¹. The Ti alloy plays an important role in on-orbit LIBS wavelength calibration, and the synthetic norite sample is a duplicate of the norite standard carried by ChemCam for cross-calibration between different LIBS instruments^{1, 4, 5}. Moreover, the SWIR spectrometer can obtain the reflectance spectra at 800 – 2400 nm with a field of view (FOV, circle region with a diameter of ~58 – 255 mm calculated from the FOV of 36.5 mrad and detection distance¹) larger than the LIBS laser spot. Two calibration samples of Spectralon reflectance materials are carried by MarSCoDe with the reflectance of 99% (a white piece) and 40% (a gray piece). In addition, a Micro-Imaging camera unit is designed to obtain the texture of Martian targets with a resolution of $\leq 50 \mu\text{rad}$ per pixel in the pixel area of 1024×1024 . The pixel size of the Micro-Imaging camera is calculated from the resolution ($\leq 50 \mu\text{rad}$ per pixel) and varying detection distances (1.8 – 4.2 m), which are 90 – 210 μm .

The level 2B MarSCoDe dataset is published by China National Space Administration (Table S1). Each LIBS spectrum of a single point is averaged from 60 LIBS spectra with an integration time of 1 ms¹, and the emission lines from Martian dust are not removed. The LIBS spectra have been calibrated for wavelength and transformed to absolute radiance ($\text{W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2} \cdot \text{sr}^{-1} \cdot \text{nm}^{-1}$). Some LIBS spectra are deserted when the temperature of detectors is lower than 10 °C or higher than 30 °C due to obvious wavelength drift^{1, 2}. Finally, 22 LIBS spectra and 22 SWIR spectra are selected (presented in Table S1).

Supplementary Notes 2: SDU-LIBS Description and Data Acquisition

The LIBS spectral database at Shandong University (SDU) was collected using the newly built LIBS system plus a Mars chamber in Shandong University at Weihai⁶. 168 terrestrial rocks

were ground to powders with grain sizes of $<38\ \mu\text{m}$. Major elemental compositions of these 168 samples were determined by X-ray fluorescence (XRF) on fused glass beads at the State Key Laboratory of ORE Deposit Geochemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences. The powder of each standard was pressed to a pellet with a diameter of 2 cm. The pressed-pellet samples were placed in a Martian simulation chamber^{6,7}, and the LIBS spectra were collected at a distance of $\sim 1.2\ \text{m}$. Three LIBS spectra of each sample were collected from three different locations to avoid the potential inhomogeneity of samples. Ten spectra at each point were collected and averaged, i.e., 30 spectra per sample. Subsequently, the white noise and continuum spectra were respectively removed using wavelet and interpolated spline functions (Fig. S14)⁶.

Similar to the spectral conversion from ZR-LIBS to ChemCam, the SDU-LIBS spectra ($\mu\text{W}\cdot\text{cm}^{-2}\text{nm}^{-1}$) are also converted to ChemCam response as mentioned in Methods. In addition, LIBS spectra of four terrestrial targets including argillaceous limestone (GBW07108) and andesite (AGV-2, JA-3, and GBW07104 with distinct chemical compositions) are included in both ChemCam 295 spectra and SDU-LIBS spectral databases, which are selected for cross-calibration between these two LIBS systems.

Supplementary Notes 3: Different Detection Regions by LIBS and SWIR

LIBS and SWIR share different optical paths in MarSCoDe. LIBS used a telescope to collect emission light from plasma excited by a laser, while the reflectance data collected by SWIR does not go through the telescope¹. Thus, LIBS and SWIR have different detection regions. In particular, LIBS in MarSCoDe can acquire compositions in a depth profile (3.5 mm in soils and $400\ \mu\text{m}$ in rocks for ChemCam⁸) at a submillimeter scale ($< 0.2\ \text{mm}$ in diameter for MarSCoDe¹), while SWIR obtains the average reflectance spectra in a circle range with a diameter $\sim 58 - 255\ \text{mm}$ and a small penetration depth ($\sim 50\ \mu\text{m}$ ⁹) due to the scattering of photons on Martian targets. In other words, the detected region and depth of LIBS and SWIR are different although they can point to the same target.

Supplementary Methods: CIPW Norm Calculation Scheme

CIPW norm calculation scheme was designed to estimate modal mineralogy for igneous rocks using major element oxides based on the compositions of saturated normative minerals (e.g., Orthoclase formula of $\text{K}_2\text{O}\cdot\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\cdot 6\text{SiO}_2$), and results are often consistent with the actual mineralogy of the igneous rock from a slowly cooling anhydrous magma¹⁰. The norm program used in our work has a slight modification compared to the standard CIPW scheme¹¹, including grouping all plagioclase components as well as combining En, Fs, and Wo into diopside and orthopyroxene.

85 Supplementary Table 1 The LIBS data files and parameters acquired by ZR-LIBS.

Sample No.	Target description	Sol	Spectral Name	Temperature of Detectors / °C			Distance / m	Selection
				Channel	Channel	Channel		
				1	2	3		
VBF-ZR-01	Indurated soil	21	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-05_SCI_N_20210604131244_20210604131304_00021_A.2B	20.6	20.2	20.2	4.0	Y
VBF-ZR-02	Rock	21	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210604132442_20210604132502_00021_A.2B	23.5	23.1	23.5	2.9	Y
VBF-ZR-03	Coarse-grained soil	32	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-05_SCI_N_20210615173712_20210615173733_00032_A.2B	10.3	10.3	10.3	3.5	Y
VBF-ZR-04	Rock	32	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210615174910_20210615174931_00032_A.2B	13.7	13.2	13.7	3.4	Y
VBF-ZR-05	Coarse-grained soil	41	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210625034210_20210625034231_00041_A.2B	29.4	29	29.4	4.2	Y
VBF-ZR-06	Coarse-grained soil	41	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210625035429_20210625035450_00041_A.2B	31.7	31.3	31.3	3.4	N
VBF-ZR-07	Layered rock	43	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210626235216_20210626235237_00043_A.2B	5.7	5.1	5.1	4.1	N
VBF-ZR-08	Coarse-grained soil	43	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210627000435_20210627000456_00043_A.2B	8.3	7.8	8.3	3.2	N
VBF-ZR-09	Coarse-grained soil	45	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210629073102_20210629073123_00045_A.2B	27.8	27.4	27.4	3.1	Y
VBF-ZR-10	Coarse-grained soil	45	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210629074321_20210629074342_00045_A.2B	29.4	29	29.4	2.7	Y
VBF-ZR-11	Fine-grained soil	47	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210701022936_20210701022957_00047_A.2B	5.1	5.1	5.1	2.6	N
VBF-ZR-12	Fine-grained soil	47	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210701024155_20210701024216_00047_A.2B	7.8	7.8	7.8	2.3	N
VBF-ZR-13	Coarse-grained soil	50	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210704104745_20210704104806_00050_A.2B	32.1	31.7	32.1	4.2	N
VBF-ZR-14	Coarse-grained soil	50	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210704110004_20210704110025_00050_A.2B	33.6	33.6	33.6	2.7	N
VBF-ZR-15	Coarse-grained soil	58	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210712091310_20210712091331_00058_A.2B	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	N
VBF-ZR-16	Coarse-grained soil	58	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-08_SCI_N_20210712092659_20210712092720_00058_A.2B	5.7	5.7	5.7	2.9	N
VBF-ZR-17	Coarse-grained soil	65	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210719164325_20210719164346_00065_A.2B	15	14.6	15	3.0	Y
VBF-ZR-18	Coarse-grained soil	65	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210719165714_20210719165735_00065_A.2B	18.1	18.1	18.1	3.0	Y
VBF-ZR-19	Coarse-grained soil	69	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210723192057_20210723192118_00069_A.2B	18.9	18.5	18.9	2.7	Y
VBF-ZR-20	Rock	69	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210723193446_20210723193507_00069_A.2B	22.3	21.8	21.8	2.9	Y
VBF-ZR-21	Layered rock	79	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210803015454_20210803015515_00079_A.2B	18.5	18.5	18.5	1.9	Y
VBF-ZR-22	Rock	79	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210803020843_20210803020904_00079_A.2B	21.8	21.4	21.8	1.8	Y

VBF-ZR-23	Rock	87	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210811071011_20210811071032_00087_A.2B	18.5	18.1	18.5	2.4	Y
VBF-ZR-24	Rock	87	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210811072400_20210811072421_00087_A.2B	21.8	21.4	21.4	3.4	Y
VBF-ZR-25	Fine-grained soil	92	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210816093931_20210816093952_00092_A.2B	12.7	12.3	12.7	2.6	Y
VBF-ZR-26	Fine-grained soil	92	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210816095320_20210816095341_00092_A.2B	15.9	15.9	15.9	3.0	Y
VBF-ZR-27	Rock	100	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210824142112_20210824142133_00100_A.2B	8.9	8.3	8.9	3.3	N
VBF-ZR-28	Coherent rock	100	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210824143501_20210824143522_00100_A.2B	12.3	11.8	11.8	3.1	Y
VBF-ZR-29	Layered rock	103	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210827161232_20210827161253_00103_A.2B	8.3	7.8	7.8	2.8	N
VBF-ZR-30	Coarse-grained soil	103	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210827162621_20210827162642_00103_A.2B	11.8	11.3	11.3	2.5	Y
VBF-ZR-31	Coarse-grained soil	110	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20210903204535_20210903204556_00110_A.2B	6.8	6.8	6.8	2.3	N
VBF-ZR-32	Coarse-grained soil	110	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20210903205924_20210903205945_00110_A.2B	10.3	9.9	10.3	2.3	Y
VBF-ZR-33	Coarse-grained soil	228	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20220103010702_20220103010723_00228_A.2B	2.854	2.258	2.258	2.1	N
VBF-ZR-34	Coarse-grained soil	228	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-07_SCI_N_20220103012051_20220103012112_00228_A.2B	5.694	5.694	5.694	2.2	N
VBF-ZR-35	Porous rock	256	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-05_SCI_N_20220131193423_20220131193444_00256_A.2B	-1.559	-1.559	-1.559	2.4	N
VBF-ZR-36	Porous rock	256	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-06_SCI_N_20220131194812_20220131194833_00256_A.2B	1.652	1.652	1.652	2.4	N
VBF-ZR-37	Porous rock	276	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-04_SCI_N_20220221084308_20220221084329_00276_A.2B	-5.142	-5.915	-5.915	3.0	N
VBF-ZR-38	Porous rock	276	HX1-Ro_GRAS_MarSCoDe-LIBS-I-05_SCI_N_20220221085657_20220221085718_00276_A.2B	-2.242	-2.94	-2.242	3.0	N

86 Note: The six targets emphasized in this study are in bold.

87 Supplementary Table 2 Absorption features of Martian atmosphere derived from CRISM and ZR-SWIR
 88 spectra used for ZR-SWIR wavelength calibration.

CRISM / nm	SWIR / nm	Wavelength shift / nm
1434	1446	12
1954	1964	10
2007	2015	8
2053	2064	11
The average wavelength shift of SWIR		10

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90 Supplementary Table 3 Selected 14 LIBS lines for eight major elements based on the NIST database.

Ion (atom)		λ / nm	Level energy / cm^{-1}	Transition	Transition probability / s^{-1}
Si288	Si(I)	288.2	40991.9 – 6298.9	$3s^23p^2 - 3s^23p4s$	2.17×10^8
Ti335	Ti(I)	335.5	29971.1 – 170.1	$3d^2(^1G)4s4p(^3P^o) - 3d^24s^2$	6.90×10^7
Al309	Al(I)	309.4	32436.8 – 112.1	$3s^23d - 3s^23p$	7.29×10^7
Al394	Al(I)	394.5	25347.8 – 0	$3s^24s - 3s^23p$	4.99×10^7
Fe405	Fe(I)	404.7	43079.0 – 18378.2	$3d^6(^3P2)4s4p(^3P^o) - 3d^64s^2$	2.15×10^5
Fe438	Fe(I)	438.5	47136.1 – 24335.8	$3d^7(^4P)4p - 3d^7(^2P)4s$	5.40×10^5
Mg280	Mg(II)	280.3	35669.3 – 0	$2p^63p - 2p^63s$	2.57×10^8
Mg448	Mg(II)	448.2	93799.6 – 71491.1	$2p^64f - 2p^63d$	2.17×10^8
Ca393	Ca(II)	393.5	25414.4 – 0	$3p^64p - 3p^64s$	1.47×10^8
Ca396	Ca(II)	396.9	25191.5 – 0	$3p^64p - 3p^64s$	1.40×10^8
Na589	Na(I)	589.2	951390 – 0	$2s^2p^2(^4P)3s - 2s^22p3d$	6.14×10^7
Na819	Na(I)	819.1	29172.8 – 16973.4	$2p^63d - 2p^63p$	5.14×10^7
K766	K(I)	766.7	13042.9 – 0	$3p^64p - 3p^64s$	3.78×10^7
O777	O(I)	777.6	86625.8 – 73768.2	$2s^22p^3(^4S^o)3p - 2s^22p^3(^4S^o)3s$	3.69×10^7

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93 Supplementary Table 4 Root Mean Square Error (RMSE) obtained using the multivariate model built in
 94 this study on the LIBS spectra of 295 ChemCam standards, CCCT of ChemCam, 168 SDU-LIBS
 95 standards, and the norite cal-target onboard MarSCoDe. The published RMSEs of the ChemCam model,
 96 SuperCam model, and MarsCoDe performance test are listed for comparison.

Models and database		RMSEs / wt. %							
		SiO ₂	TiO ₂	Al ₂ O ₃	FeO _T	MgO	CaO	Na ₂ O	K ₂ O
Multivariate model built in this study	295 ChemCam standards	6.3	0.5	2.9	3.4	1.5	2.2	0.6	0.7
	CCCT	6.0	0.2	1.7	5.1	3.4	3.7	1.0	0.3
	168 SDU-LIBS standards	9.1	0.8	5.1	11.7	2.4	3.9	1.0	1.8
	norite cal-target onboard of ZR-LIBS	7.4	0.2	2.4	8.0	3.3	3.5	0.4	0.1
MarSCoDe Performance test ¹		6.9	–	2.3	–	–	2.0	0.9	0.6
ChemCam model (MOC for test set) ¹²		5.3	1.0	3.5	2.3	2.2	2.7	0.6	0.8
SuperCam model ¹³		6.1	0.3	1.8	3.1	1.1	1.3	0.5	0.6

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98 Supplementary Table 5 Derived compositions of VBF-ZR targets using the multivariate model built in this study. The RMSEs are listed with the elemental oxides.

Targets	Sample No.	Derived compositions / wt. %									CIA / %
		SiO ₂ ±6	TiO ₂ ±0.5	Al ₂ O ₃ ±3	FeO ₁ ±3	MgO±2	CaO±2	Na ₂ O±0.6	K ₂ O±0.7	Total	
Indurated soil	VBF-ZR-01	59	0.4	15	14	2	11	1.3	0.0	103	39±9
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-09	46	0.8	12	22	6	15	1.7	0.1	103	29±8
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-17	55	2.7	12	15	3	10	2.3	0.7	101	33±10
Fine-grained soil	VBF-ZR-26	48	1.5	11	21	6	13	1.7	0.4	102	28±7
Layered rock	VBF-ZR-21	42	1.2	13	23	5	16	2.2	1.2	102	28±8
Coherent rock	VBF-ZR-28	51	1.5	12	18	3	14	2.0	0.5	102	30±8
Rock	VBF-ZR-02	42	1.7	12	23	5	15	1.6	1.3	102	28±7
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-03	52	1.7	11	18	4	12	2.2	0.9	102	30±9
Rock	VBF-ZR-04	35	1.3	12	27	8	17	1.3	0.9	102	26±7
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-05	44	1.3	12	22	5	15	1.9	0.9	102	27±8
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-10	53	1.7	11	18	4	12	2.5	0.9	102	29±9
Fine-grained soil	VBF-ZR-11	51	2.3	12	18	4	12	2.1	0.7	102	31±9
Fine-grained soil	VBF-ZR-12	44	1.8	11	22	6	14	2.1	0.8	102	27±8
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-18	44	1.4	11	23	7	15	1.7	0.2	103	26±8
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-19	41	2.0	13	22	5	15	2.0	1.6	101	29±7
Rock	VBF-ZR-20	41	1.5	11	24	6	15	2.3	1.2	102	25±7
Rock	VBF-ZR-22	50	2.2	9	20	4	13	2.5	0.9	102	25±8
Rock	VBF-ZR-23	48	1.8	11	21	4	14	1.9	1.1	102	26±8

Rock	VBF-ZR-24	48	1.5	11	20	4	13	2.5	1.2	102	28±8
Fine-grained soil	VBF-ZR-25	52	1.5	11	18	4	13	1.7	0.4	102	30±9
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-30	40	1.5	12	24	7	16	1.5	0.7	102	27±7
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-32	57	1.5	10	16	3	11	2.1	0.6	102	30±10

FeO_T refers to total iron expressed as the calculated ferrous amount, including both ferric and ferrous.

99 Supplementary Table 6 The proportions of dust in VBF-ZR soils based on mass-balance analysis. Results
 100 of rocks are not provided due to their potential nonuniformity at the scale of laser spot size.

Targets	Sample No.	Mixture ratios / %		
		VBF-ZR-01	Dust from Gale crater	R ²
Indurated soil	VBF-ZR-01	100	0	1.00
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-09	18	75	0.96
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-17	75	22	1.00
Fine-grained soil	VBF-ZR-26	23	73	0.98
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-03	51	45	0.99
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-05	17	74	0.94
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-10	53	45	0.99
Fine-grained soil	VBF-ZR-11	51	45	0.99
Fine-grained soil	VBF-ZR-12	10	81	0.96
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-18	3	89	0.95
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-19	12	76	0.92
Fine-grained soil	VBF-ZR-25	53	43	0.99
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-30	-7	96	0.90
Coarse-grained soil	VBF-ZR-32	72	28	0.99

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Supplementary Table 7 Derived chemical compositions of fine-grained soils at Tianwen-1 landing site compared with the published chemical compositions of Martian dust at other landing sites after normalized to the total oxide abundance of eight major elements.

Major elements	SiO ₂ / wt. %	TiO ₂ / wt. %	Al ₂ O ₃ / wt. %	FeO _T / wt. %	MgO / wt. %	CaO / wt. %	Na ₂ O / wt. %	K ₂ O / wt. %	Total / wt. %
ChemCam eolian dust at Gale crater^{a14}	48.8	1.2	9.7	22.0	8.5	7.2	2.2	0.4	100.0
Fine-grained soil at Gale crater^b	42.9±3.7	0.9±0.3	9.2±2.1	18.8±2.2	7.3±1.6	7.2±1.5	2.0±0.6	0.4±0.3	100.0
Gusev Crater dust^{c15}	50.1±0.5	1.0±0.08	10.7±0.16	18.4±0.15	9.2±0.15	6.9±0.07	3.2±0.3	0.5±0.07	100.0
Meridiani Planum dust^{c16}	50.3±0.3	1.1±0.07	10.2±0.09	19.6±0.04	8.5±0.08	7.3±0.04	2.5±0.19	0.5±0.06	100.0
Average Martian soil¹⁷	50.1	1.0	10.7	18.5	9.2	7.0	3.0	0.5	100.0
VBF-ZR Fine-grained soil^d	47.9±6.3	1.8±0.5	11.0±2.9	19.3±3.4	4.9±1.5	12.6±2.2	1.9±0.6	0.6±0.7	100.0

Note: a: compositions of eolian dust derived from the median dust spectrum of 8466 spectra of first shots in sols 1 – 1500.

b: average compositions and standard deviations of fine-grained soils at Gale crater (from PDS Geosciences Node at Washington University in St. Louis)

c: compositions of dust with error values

d: average compositions of VBF-ZR Fine-grained soils (VBF-ZR-11, 12, 25, 26)

109 Supplementary Table 8 Modal minerals (%) of VBF-ZR targets calculated from CIPW that does not
 110 take into account sedimentary processes.

	VBF-ZR-01: Indurated soil	VBF-ZR-09: Coarse soil	VBF-ZR-17: Coarse soil	VBF-ZR-21: Layered rock	VBF-ZR-26: Fine-grained soil	VBF-ZR-28: Coherent rock
Quartz	23.9	0.0	16.9	0.0	0.0	9.3
Plagioclase	41.8	39.7	41.9	24.4	38.0	46.6
Orthoclase	0.0	0.0	6.5	0.0	3.2	0.0
Nepheline	0.0	4.6	0.0	14.9	0.0	0.0
Diopside	24.6	37.5	21.4	24.9	38.6	32.0
Hypersthene	7.7	0.0	8.3	0.0	7.6	8.4
Olivine	0.0	14.1	0.0	16.2	7.7	0.0
Ilmenite	0.4	1.1	3.2	2.2	2.0	1.6
Magnetite	1.7	2.9	1.9	3.1	2.9	2.2
Other minerals	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.2	0.0	0.0

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Supplementary Table 9 Comparison of the elemental compositions at Tianwen-1 landing site derived from ZR-LIBS data, compared with the published result of GRS from the same area (5°×5°, from PDS Geosciences Node at Washington University in St. Louis).

Database	SiO ₂ / wt. %	FeO _T / wt. %	FeO _T /SiO ₂	K ₂ O / wt. %	Na ₂ O / wt. %	Na ₂ O/ K ₂ O*
MarSCoDe ^a	47.5±6.0	20.4±3.0	0.43	0.8±0.4	2.0±0.3	2.5
GRS ^b	42.9±1.3	17.8±1.4	0.41	0.6±0.04	1.5*	

* = calculated using average Na₂O/ K₂O of MarSCoDe results of 22 VBF-ZR targets

a: average compositions ± standard deviation of 22 VBF-ZR targets

b: compositions ± errors from PDS Geosciences Node at Washington University in St. Louis and Boynton et al., (2007)¹⁸

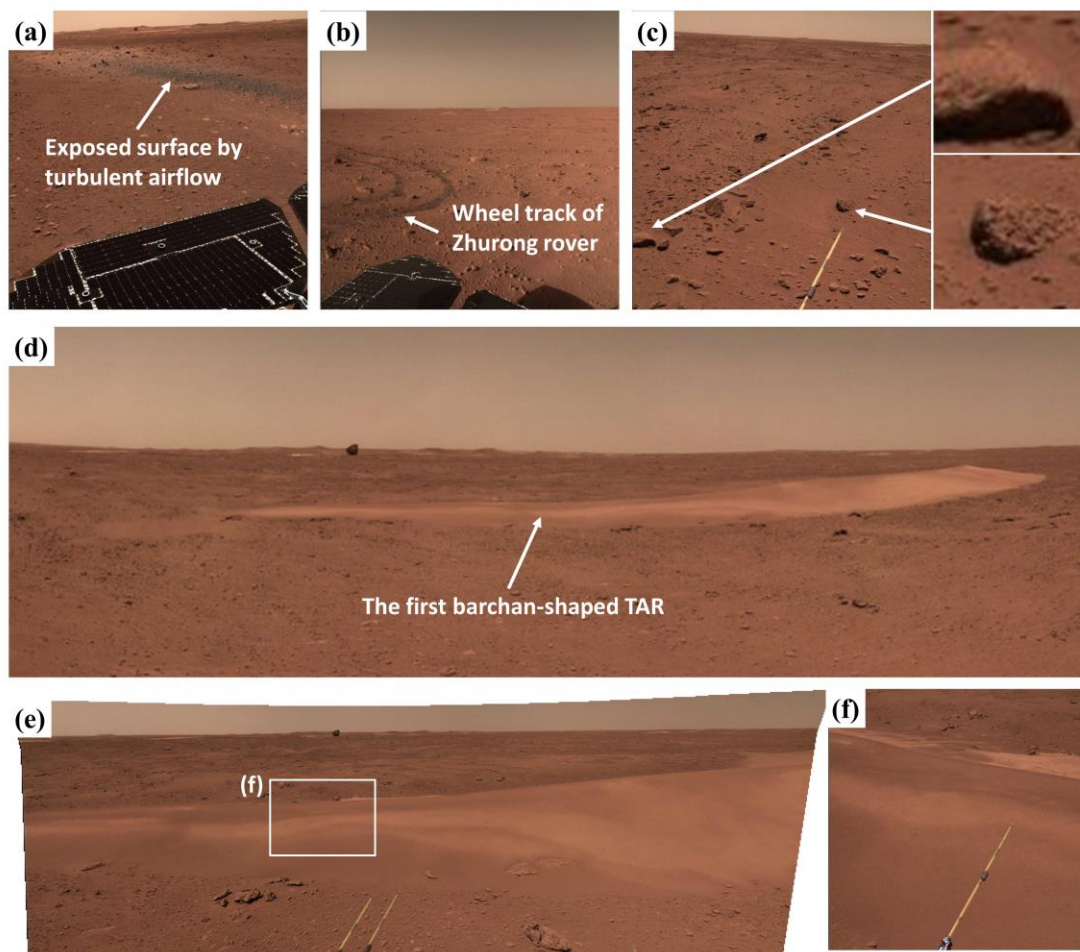
121 Supplementary Table 10 List of spectral files of the norite cal-target obtained by ZR-LIBS and
 122 ChemCam on Mars.

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	payloads	
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07	ChemCam	CL5_411084120CCS_F0051954CCAM02153P3.CSV
08	ChemCam	CL5_414538232CCS_F0060000CCAM03192P3.CSV
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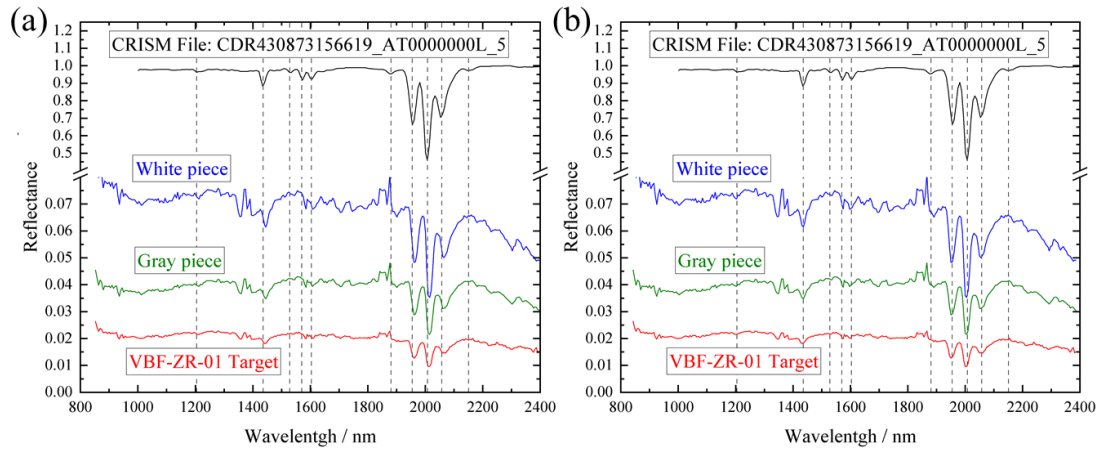
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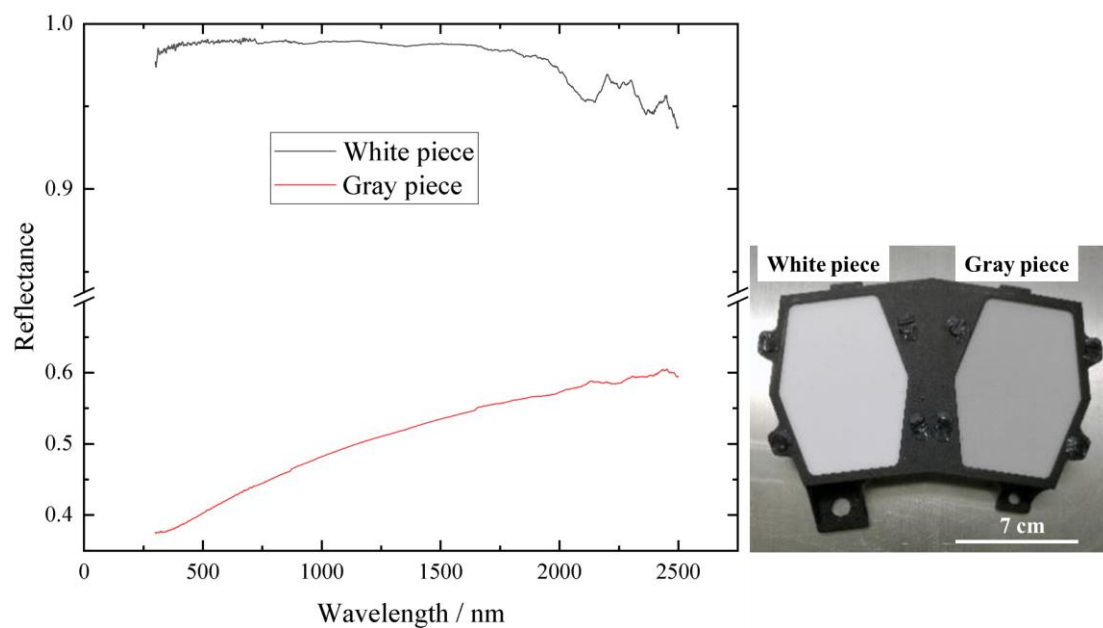
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Supplementary Figure 1 Local contexts and TAR1 along the Zhurong rover traverse acquired by the Navigation and Topography Camera (NaTeCam) provided by China National Space Administration. (a) the exposed dark-toned surface with the dust removed by the turbulent airflow during landing. (b) wheel track of Zhurong rover reveals the dark-toned materials. (c) image and close-up images of rocks showing layered structures and spaced pits on the surface. (d – f) images of the first TAR. It's a barchan-shaped TAR with intermittent distribution of dark and bright sand. The white square in (e) represents the detection region of (f).

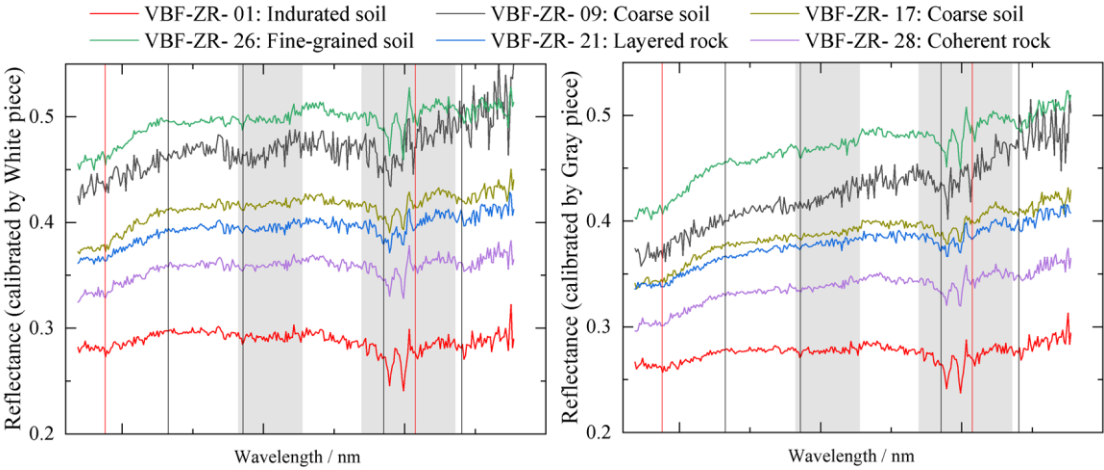


Supplementary Figure 2 SWIR spectra before (a) and after (b) wavelength calibration using absorption features of the Martian atmosphere (Table S2). SWIR radiance of the indurated soil (VBF-ZR-01) and the white and gray pieces of cal-target are converted into reflectance by dividing the solar spectrum provided by Gueymard (2004)¹⁹. Absorption features of Martian atmosphere were obtained from the CRISM Analysis Toolkit (CAT)²⁰.



Supplementary Figure 3 Absolute reflectance spectra of SWIR calibration targets (white and gray pieces).

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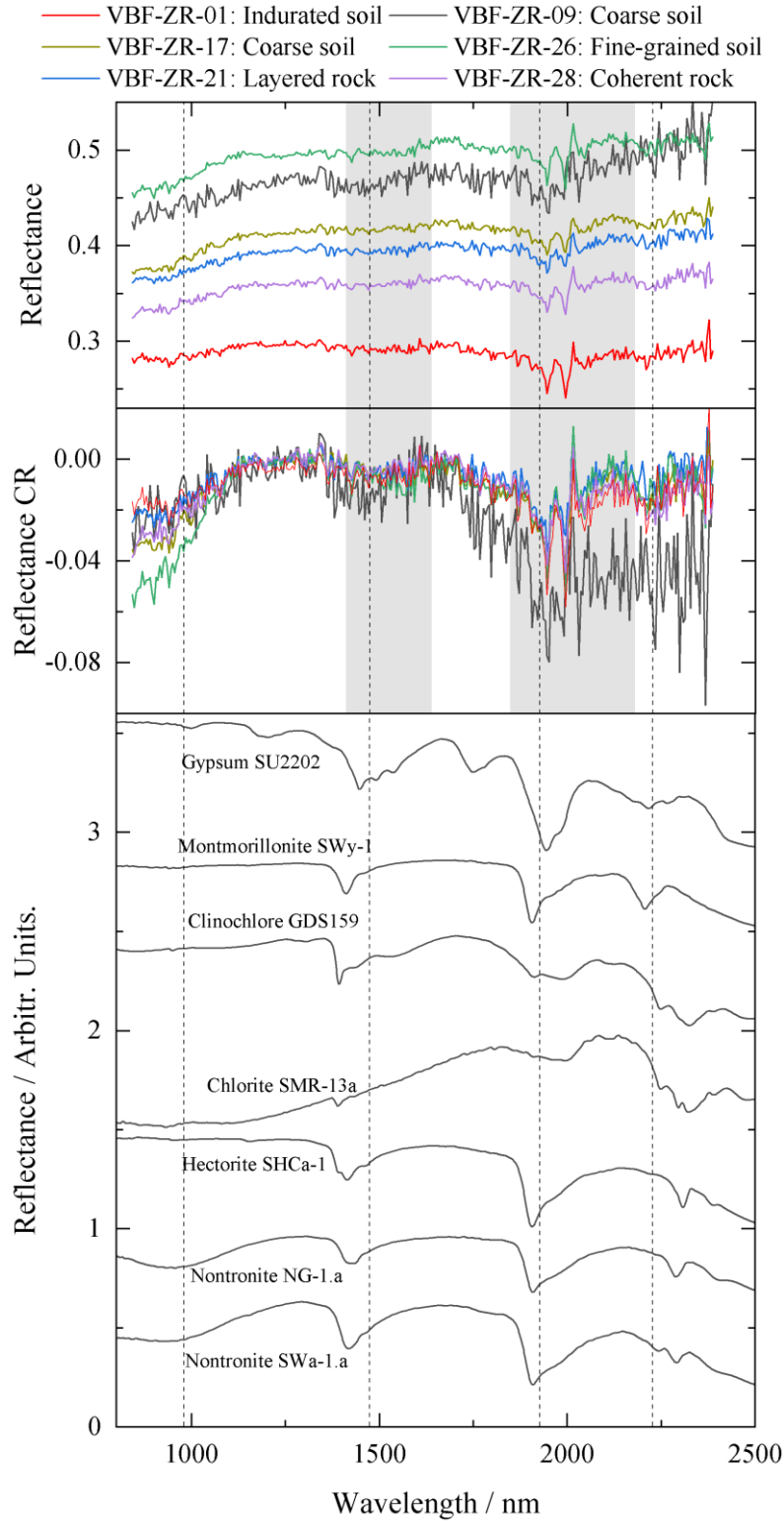


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147 Supplementary Figure 4 SWIR spectra of selected VBF-ZR targets calibrated using the white and gray

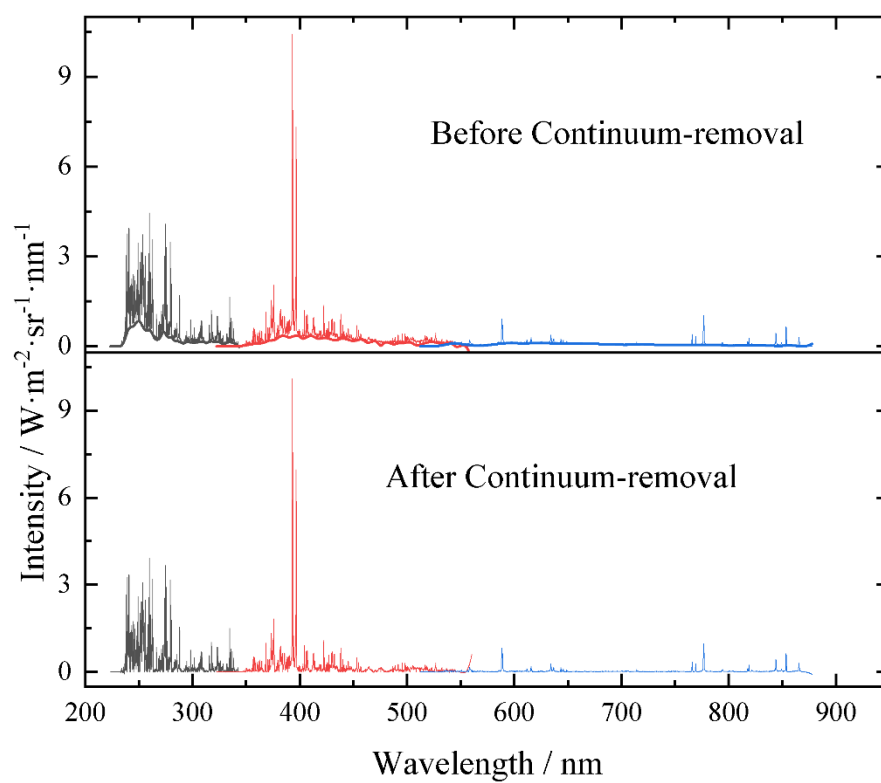
148 calibration targets, which show similar absorption features.

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Supplementary Figure 5 SWIR spectra of selected VBF-ZR targets. (a – b) Absolute reflectance spectra before and after continuum removal (CR). (c) Spectra of nontronite (SWa-1a and NG-1a), hectorite (SHCa-1), chlorite (SMR-13a), clinocllore (GDS159), montmorillonite (SWy-1), and gypsum (SU2202) from USGS database²¹. Dotted lines indicate the absorption centers of SWIR spectra.

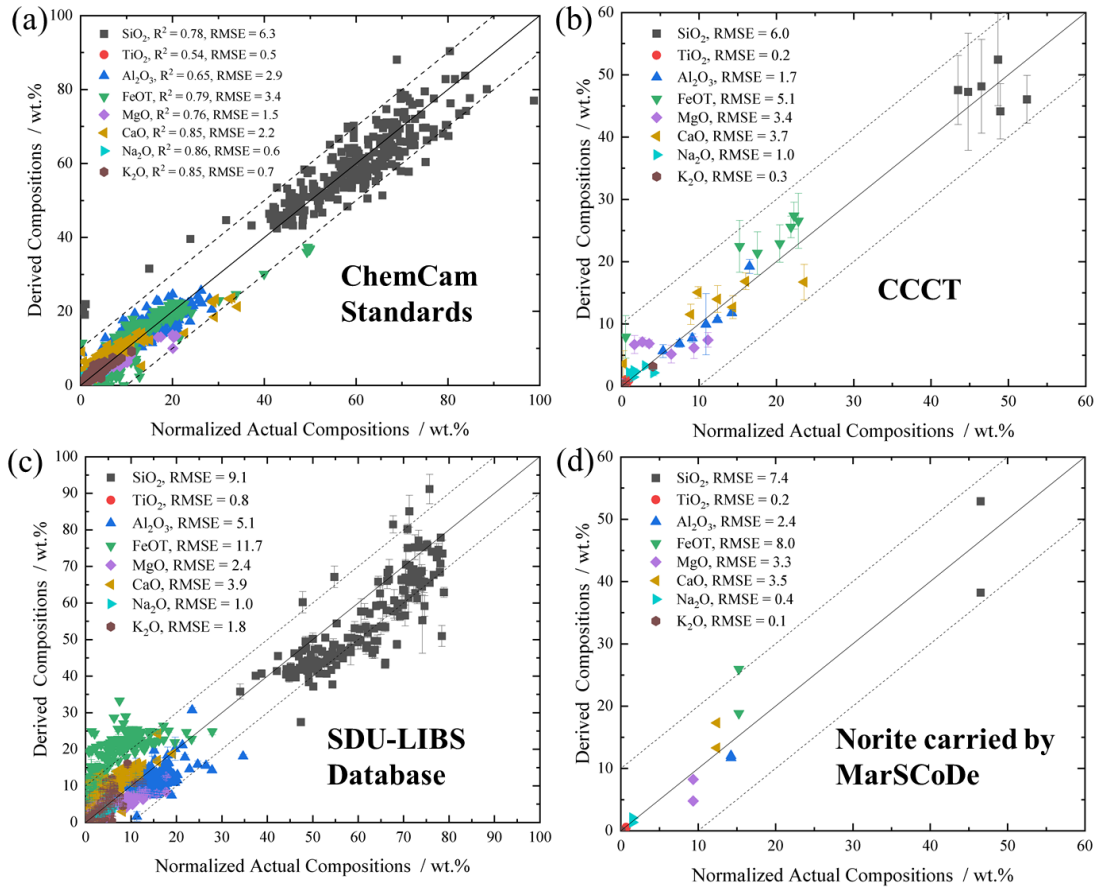
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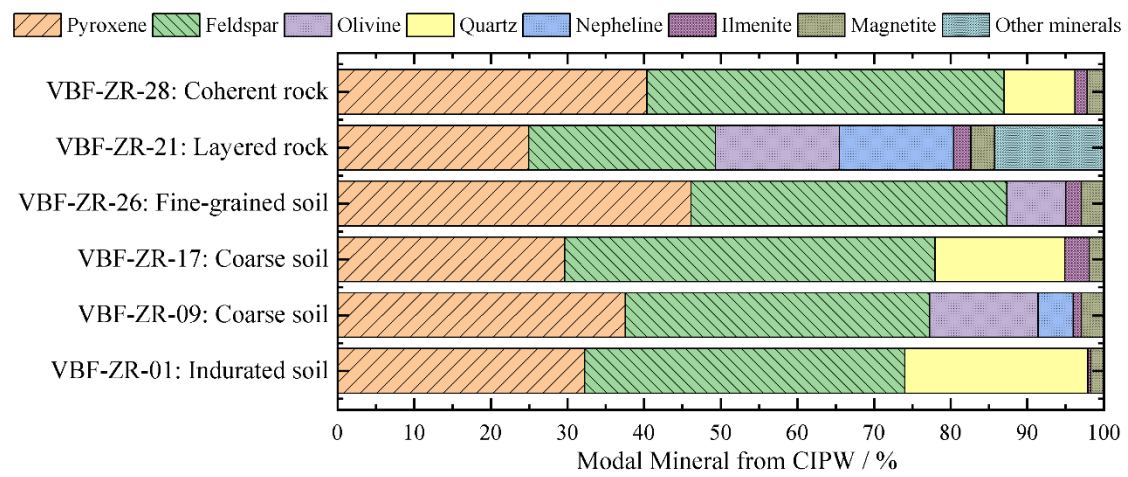
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157 Supplementary Figure 6 The pre-processed LIBS spectrum of No.17 acquired by ZR-LIBS.

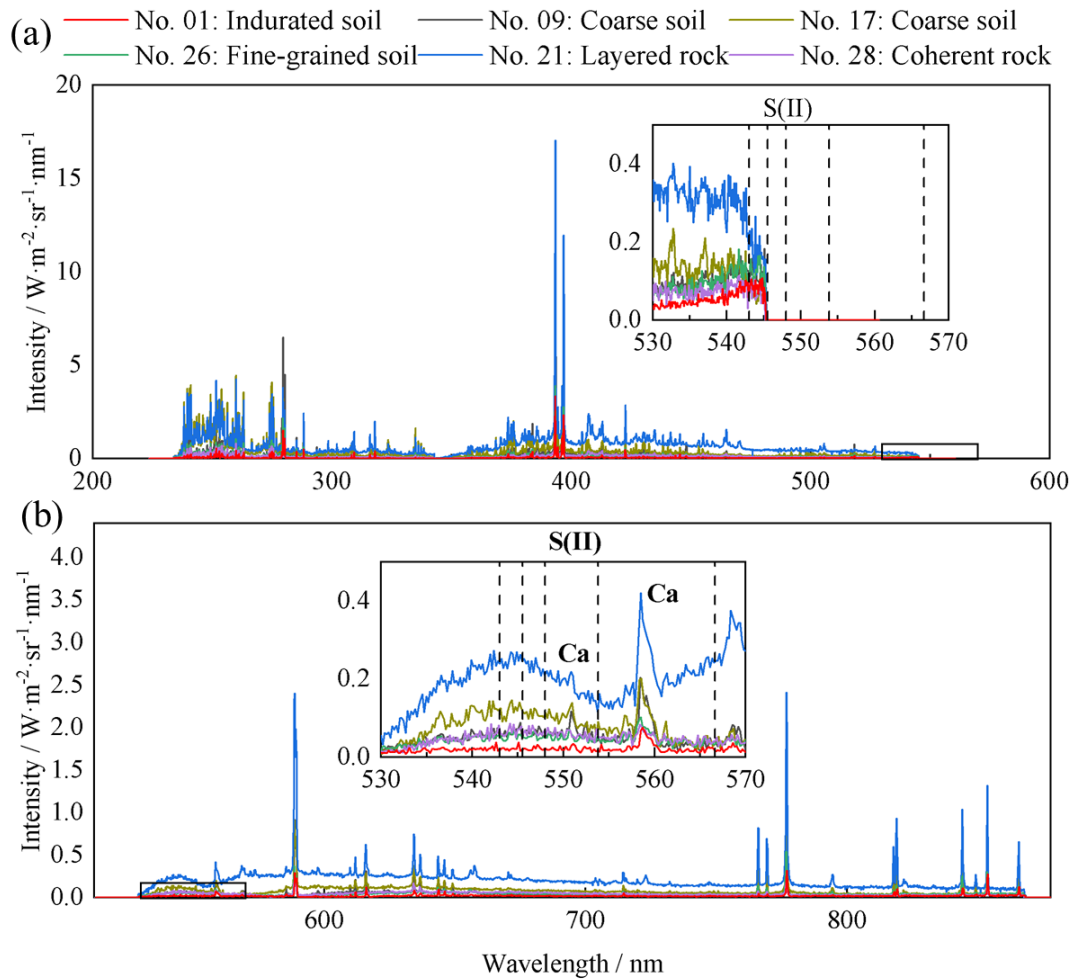
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Supplementary Figure 7 Actual and derived element compositions using our multivariate model for 295 ChemCam standards (a), CCCT (b), 168 SDU-LIBS standards (c), and norite carried by MarSCoDe (d). The straight line indicates the 1:1 line, and the dotted lines indicate a buffer zone of ± 10 wt. %. The error bars are standard deviation of derived chemical compositions.

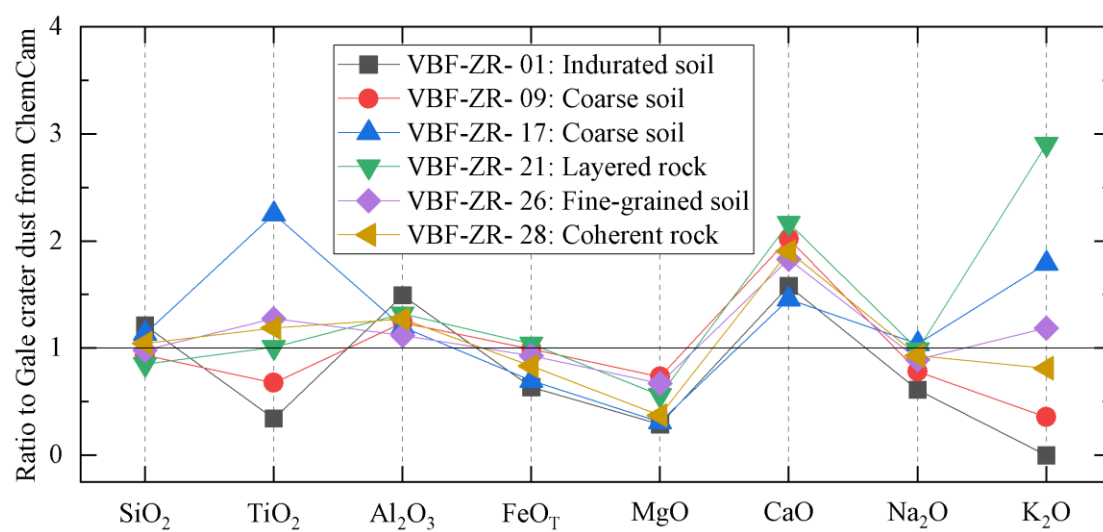


Supplementary Figure 8 Modal minerals of VBF-ZR targets calculated from CIPW that does not take into account sedimentary processes.



Supplementary Figure 9 LIBS spectra of six selected VBF-ZR targets before pre-processing with the wavelength of sulfur emissions at 543.0 nm, 545.5 nm, 548.0 nm, 553.8 nm and 566.6 nm from NIST database²². (a) LIBS spectra collected by the first two spectrometers (240 – 540 nm). (b) spectra collected by the third spectrometer (540 – 850 nm).

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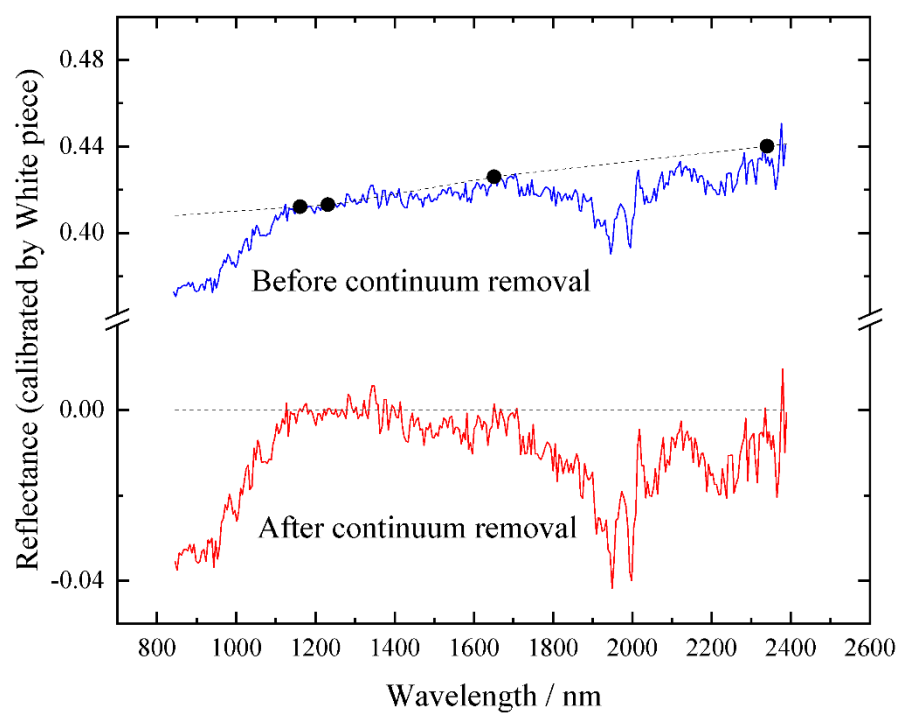
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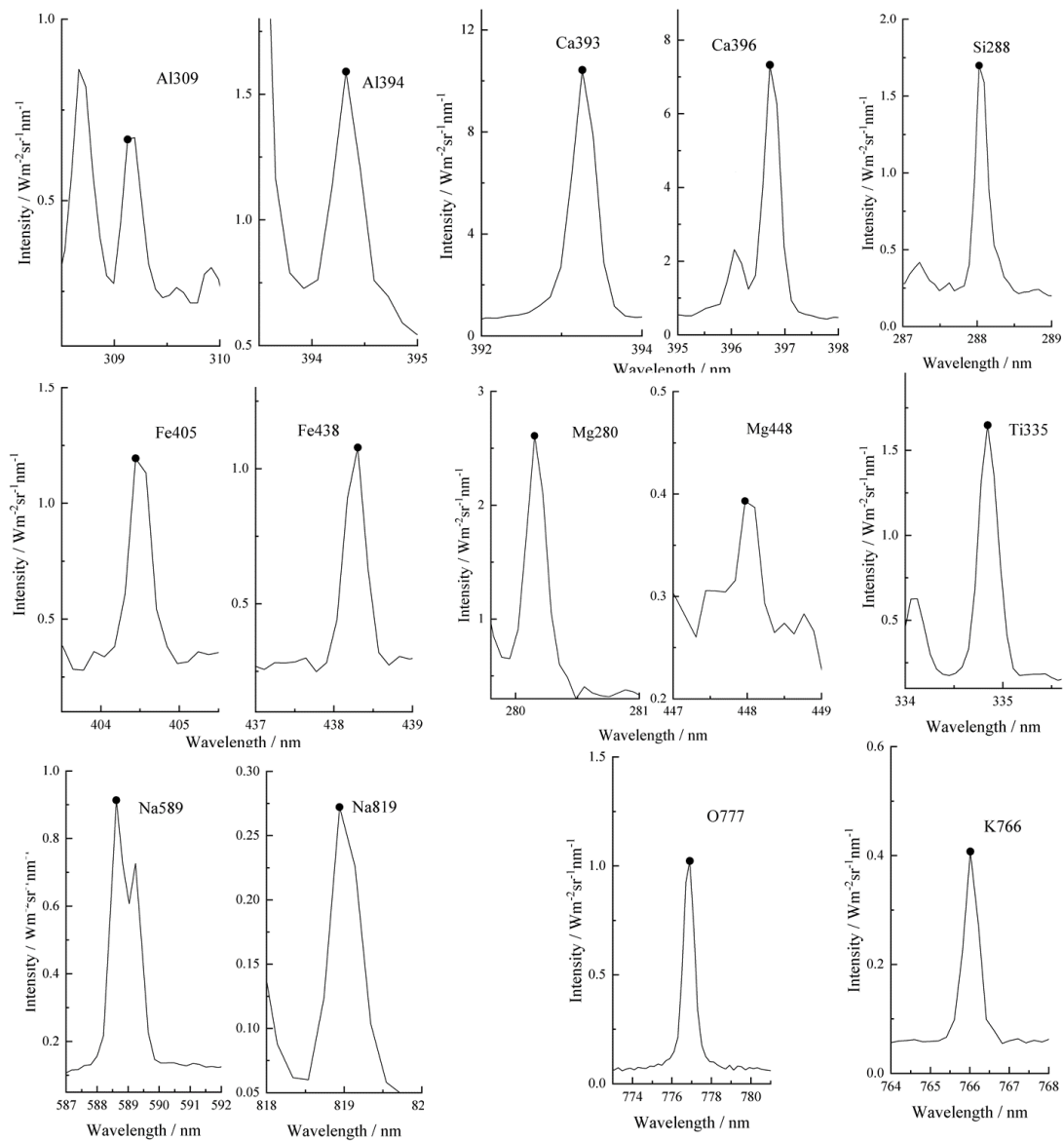
Supplementary Figure 10 Relative concentrations of eight major elements of VBF-ZR targets normalized to the Mars global dust compositions derived from ChemCam data (data in Table S7).

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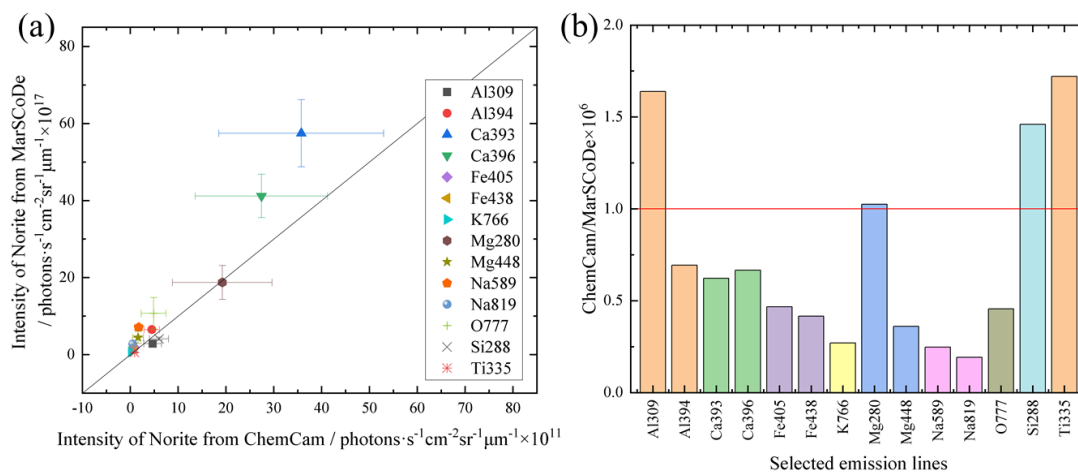
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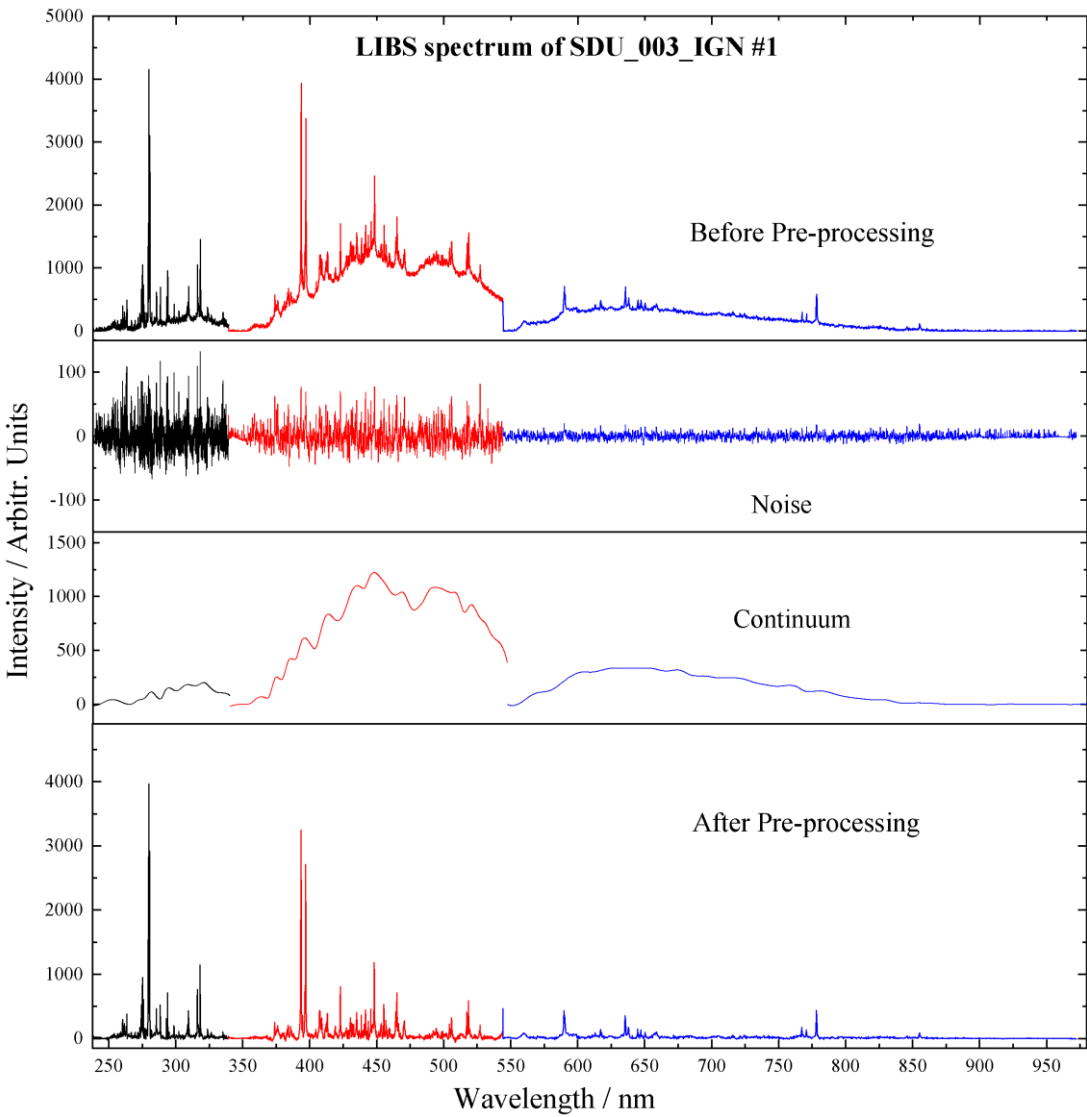
Supplementary Figure 11 SWIR reflectance spectra of coarse soil (VBF-ZR-17) before and after continuum removal.



Supplementary Figure 12 Selected 14 emission lines of nine major elements for the ZR-LIBS spectrum of coarse soil (VBF-ZR-17).



Supplementary Figure 13 The intensity (a) and intensity ratios (b) of selected 14 emission lines from the norite cal-target acquired by MarSCoDe and by ChemCam after radiance transformation. The intensity of ZR-LIBS emission lines is six orders of magnitude higher than those of the ChemCam spectrum although they have the same unit of $\text{photons} \cdot \text{s}^{-1} \cdot \text{cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{sr}^{-1} \cdot \mu\text{m}^{-1}$. The error bars are standard deviation of the emission line intensities from all ChemCam-Norite and MarSCoDe-Norite.



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198 Supplementary Figure 14 LIBS spectrum of SDU_003_IGN (augite) collected by SDU-LIBS before and
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