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**Supporting information for** “Update of mercury emissions from China’s primary zinc, lead and copper smelters, 2000-2010”

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**1 Figure (S1)**

**1. Number of sampling mines by province or from other countries**

Chinese concentrates samples were selected mainly based on provincial production of concentrates. The concentrates production from provinces with samples accounted for 94.37%, 97.50% and 93.17% of the national zinc, lead and copper production, respectively. The imported concentrates were collected from smelters with large consumption of imported concentrates. The imported zinc concentrate samples were mainly from the United States, Peru, Mexico, Australia, India and Sweden. Imported lead concentrate samples were mainly from Australia and Kazakhstan, while copper concentrates samples were from Chile, Australia, Mexico, Mongolia, Kazakhstan, Tanzania, Botswana and Canada. The Chinese ore content database in this study covered 351 zinc concentrate samples from 118 zinc mines, 190 lead concentrate samples from 83 lead mines and 174 copper concentrate samples from 55 copper mines. In addition, 39 zinc concentrate samples, 8 lead concentrate samples and 33 copper concentrate samples were collected from imported concentrates. The zinc, lead and copper supply in 2010 and the number of sampling mines by province or from other countries are shown in **Table S1**.

**Table S1.** Number of sampling mines by province or from other countries

| Province     | Zinc        |                          | Lead        |                          | Copper      |                          |
|--------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
|              | Supply (kt) | Number of sampling mines | Supply (kt) | Number of sampling mines | Supply (kt) | Number of sampling mines |
| Anhui        | 13          | 1                        | 13          | 2                        | 128         | 4                        |
| Chongqing    | 24          |                          |             | 1 <sup>a</sup>           |             |                          |
| Fujian       | 147         | 11                       | 75          | 4                        | 10          |                          |
| Gansu        | 203         | 9                        | 48          | 3                        | 74          | 4                        |
| Guangdong    | 194         | 3                        | 127         | 3                        | 9           | 1                        |
| Guangxi      | 337         | 9                        | 238         | 12                       | 7           | 3                        |
| Guizhou      | 26          |                          | 23          |                          |             |                          |
| Hebei        | 38          |                          | 14          |                          | 2           |                          |
| Heilongjiang |             |                          |             | 1 <sup>a</sup>           | 2           |                          |
| Henan        | 60          | 4                        | 70          | 7                        | 7           |                          |

|                 |      |                 |      |                |      |                |
|-----------------|------|-----------------|------|----------------|------|----------------|
| Hubei           |      |                 |      | 1 <sup>a</sup> | 55   | 6              |
| Hunan           | 583  | 26              | 283  | 11             | 6    |                |
| Inner Mongolia  | 750  | 6               | 443  | 4              | 170  | 2              |
| Jiangsu         | 21   | 2               | 15   | 3              | 1    | 1              |
| Jiangxi         | 55   | 10              | 47   | 1              | 208  | 7              |
| Jilin           | 22   |                 | 42   | 2              | 16   |                |
| Liaoning        | 47   |                 | 19   | 6              | 12   |                |
| Qinghai         | 84   |                 | 68   | 3              | 40   | 1              |
| Shaanxi         | 211  | 12              | 52   | 3              | 9    |                |
| Shandong        |      |                 |      | 1 <sup>a</sup> | 10   | 1              |
| Shanxi          |      |                 | 13   | 1              | 27   | 3              |
| Sichuan         | 367  | 10              | 208  | 5              | 72   | 3              |
| Xinjiang        | 26   | 3               | 12   |                | 74   | 7              |
| Xizang          | 26   | 1               | 28   | 1              | 5    |                |
| Yunnan          | 560  | 6               | 107  | 3              | 201  | 12             |
| Zhejiang        | 46   | 5               | 37   | 5              | 9    |                |
| National        | 3842 | 118             | 1981 | 83             | 1156 | 55             |
| Other countries | 1458 | 10 <sup>b</sup> | 881  | 8 <sup>b</sup> | 1733 | 9 <sup>b</sup> |

17 a. Mines in these provinces were out of production in 2010.

18 b. Samples from the same country were regarded as from one mine in this table.

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## 2. Sampling, preparation and analysis methods for ore concentrates

We sampled the concentrates following the method of Stockpile Random Sampling (SRS) and Loader Random Sampling (LRS), which was detailed described in our previous paper (Zhang et al., 2012). Usually, at least three valid samples were collected in each mine for analysis. However, for samples with extreme values or mines with large production, additional samples were collected and analyzed. The collected samples were air dried to constant weight, and then pulverized into 80 meshes (200  $\mu\text{m}$  in particular diameter). The dried samples were then analyzed following EPA method 3052 with F732-V Intelligent Mercury Analyzer. This analyzer with Cold Vapor Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometry (CVAAS) has a detection limit of 0.05  $\mu\text{g/L}$ . For samples below this detection limit, Milestone DMA-80 Direct Mercury Analyzer (following EPA method 7473), with a detection limit of 0.02 ng was applied for analysis. Both the two instruments are calibrated using the dilutions of a 1000  $\mu\text{g/mL}$  certified mercury standard (State Nonferrous Metals and Electronic Materials Analysis and Testing Center, P/N GSB04-1729-2004). All samples were analyzed in triplicate or more times to obtain parallel results and 5% uncertainty was allowed between parallel results.

## 3. Development of the ore concentrates transport matrixes

The ore concentrates transport matrix were developed based on the import and export of concentrates for each province in China in 2010. The total concentrates supply of each province are taken from the Yearbook of Nonferrous Metals Industry of China (2011). The transportation data  $C_{su,k \rightarrow ij}$  between provinces were based on the trade between ore mineral plants and the 244 smelters in our survey. For smelters without trade information (mostly in small smelters with discontinued production), we assumed that local concentrates were consumed in these smelters. Based on the above information, linear equations were established and solved. The zinc, lead and copper concentrates transport matrixes are shown in **Table S2, S3, S4**.

**Table. S2.** Zinc concentrates trade matrix between regions

| Zinc           |     | Consumption (kt) |    |    |     |     |     |    |     |      |     |    |     |    |     |     |    |     |    |  |
|----------------|-----|------------------|----|----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|------|-----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|----|--|
|                |     | RG               | AH | FJ | GS  | GD  | GX  | GZ | HN  | HuN  | IM  | JX | LN  | QH | SaX | SC  | XJ | YN  | ZJ |  |
| Supply<br>(kt) | RG  | SU               | 2  | 11 | 249 | 271 | 516 | 22 | 291 | 1260 | 389 | 2  | 402 | 99 | 580 | 254 | 1  | 916 | 35 |  |
|                | OC  | 1458             |    |    | 24  | 167 | 58  |    | 141 | 227  | 59  |    | 252 |    | 323 | 23  |    | 182 |    |  |
|                | AH  | 13               | 2  |    |     |     |     |    |     | 12   |     |    |     |    |     |     |    |     |    |  |
|                | CQ  | 24               |    |    |     |     |     |    |     | 5    | 4   |    |     |    |     |     |    | 15  |    |  |
|                | FJ  | 147              |    | 11 |     |     |     |    |     | 137  |     |    |     |    |     |     |    |     |    |  |
|                | GS  | 203              |    |    | 188 |     |     |    |     |      | 5   |    |     |    |     | 10  |    |     |    |  |
|                | GD  | 194              |    |    |     | 103 | 10  |    | 2   | 24   |     |    |     |    |     |     |    |     | 55 |  |
|                | GX  | 337              |    |    |     |     | 337 |    |     |      |     |    |     |    |     |     |    |     |    |  |
|                | GZ  | 26               |    |    |     |     |     |    | 22  |      | 4   |    |     |    |     |     |    |     |    |  |
|                | HB  | 38               |    |    |     |     |     |    |     |      | 3   | 16 |     | 3  |     |     |    |     | 15 |  |
|                | HN  | 60               |    |    |     |     |     |    |     | 53   | 2   |    |     |    |     |     |    |     | 5  |  |
|                | HuN | 583              |    |    |     |     |     |    |     |      | 583 |    |     |    |     |     |    |     |    |  |
|                | IM  | 750              |    |    |     |     | 67  |    | 30  | 165  | 284 |    | 70  | 11 | 65  |     |    |     | 58 |  |
|                | JS  | 21               |    |    |     |     | 8   |    |     | 3    |     |    | 10  |    |     |     |    |     |    |  |
|                | JX  | 55               |    |    |     |     |     |    |     | 48   |     | 2  |     |    |     |     |    |     | 5  |  |
|                | JL  | 22               |    |    |     |     |     |    |     | 2    |     |    | 20  |    |     |     |    |     |    |  |
|                | LN  | 47               |    |    |     |     |     |    |     |      |     |    | 47  |    |     |     |    |     |    |  |
|                | QH  | 84               |    |    |     |     |     |    |     |      |     |    |     | 84 |     |     |    |     |    |  |
|                | SaX | 211              |    |    | 25  |     |     |    |     | 14   |     |    |     |    | 163 |     |    |     | 9  |  |
|                | SC  | 367              |    |    |     |     | 10  |    | 63  | 13   | 20  |    |     |    |     | 211 |    |     | 50 |  |
| XJ             | 26  |                  |    | 12 |     |     |     | 1  |     |      |     |    |     | 13 |     | 1   |    |     |    |  |
| XZ             | 26  |                  |    |    |     |     |     |    |     | 1    |     |    | 5   |    | 10  |     |    | 10  |    |  |
| YN             | 560 |                  |    |    |     | 25  |     |    | 8   |      |     |    |     | 15 |     |     |    | 512 |    |  |
| ZJ             | 46  |                  |    |    |     |     |     |    | 11  |      |     |    |     |    |     |     |    |     | 35 |  |

**Table. S3.** Lead concentrates trade matrix between regions

| Lead           |       | Consumption(kt) |    |    |    |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|----------------|-------|-----------------|----|----|----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|
|                |       | RE              | AH | GS | GD | GX  | HN   | HuN | IM  | JX  | LN | NX | QH | SaX | YN  |    |
| Supply<br>(kt) | RE    | SU              | 76 | 42 | 87 | 113 | 1151 | 640 | 108 | 68  | 28 | 6  | 58 | 104 | 379 |    |
|                | OC    | 881             | 63 |    | 8  | 52  | 568  | 55  |     | 13  | 9  |    |    |     | 113 |    |
|                | AH    | 13              | 13 |    |    |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | FJ    | 75              |    |    |    |     |      | 23  |     |     |    |    |    |     | 50  |    |
|                | GS    | 48              |    | 42 |    |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    | 5   |     |    |
|                | GD    | 127             |    |    | 79 |     |      | 11  |     | 16  |    |    |    |     |     | 21 |
|                | GX    | 238             |    |    |    | 61  | 63   | 75  |     |     |    |    |    |     |     | 39 |
|                | GZ    | 23              |    |    |    |     |      | 23  |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | HB    | 14              |    |    |    |     |      | 14  |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | HN    | 70              |    |    |    |     |      | 70  |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | HuN   | 283             |    |    |    |     |      |     | 283 |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | IM    | 443             |    |    |    |     |      | 221 | 59  | 108 |    |    | 6  |     | 37  | 14 |
|                | JS    | 15              |    |    |    |     |      | 15  |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | JX    | 47              |    |    |    |     |      | 8   |     |     | 39 |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | JL    | 42              |    |    |    |     |      | 29  | 13  |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | LN    | 19              |    |    |    |     |      |     |     |     |    | 19 |    |     |     |    |
|                | QH    | 68              |    |    |    |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    | 58  | 10  |    |
|                | SaX   | 52              |    |    |    |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     | 52  |    |
|                | SX    | 13              |    |    |    |     |      | 13  |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | SC    | 208             |    |    |    |     |      | 92  | 88  |     |    |    |    |     |     | 28 |
| XJ             | 12.48 |                 |    |    |    |     |      | 12  |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
| XZ             | 28.08 |                 |    |    |    |     |      |     |     |     |    |    |    |     | 28  |    |
| YN             | 107   |                 |    |    |    |     | 21   |     |     |     |    |    |    |     | 86  |    |
| ZJ             | 369   |                 |    |    |    |     | 29   | 8   |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |

**Table. S4.** Copper concentrates trade matrix between regions

| Copper         |     | Consumption(kt) |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|----------------|-----|-----------------|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|
|                |     | RE              | AH  | GS  | GX | HB | HN | HB  | HN | IM  | JX  | JL | LN | SaX | SD  | SX | SC | XZ | YN  | ZJ  |    |
| Supply<br>(kt) | RE  | SU              | 527 | 594 | 27 | 13 | 5  | 204 | 12 | 237 | 497 | 12 | 25 | 3   | 261 | 68 | 41 | 7  | 308 | 47  |    |
|                | OC  | 1733            | 312 | 405 |    |    |    | 103 | 6  | 160 | 295 |    | 10 |     | 261 | 39 |    |    | 120 | 21  |    |
|                | AH  | 128             | 128 |     |    |    |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | FJ  | 10              |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     | 10 |
|                | GS  | 74              |     | 71  |    |    | 2  |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | GD  | 9               |     |     | 9  |    |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | GX  | 7               |     |     | 7  |    |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | HB  | 2               |     |     |    | 2  |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | HIJ | 2               | 1   |     |    | 1  |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | HN  | 7               |     |     |    | 2  | 2  |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     | 3  |
|                | HuB | 55              |     |     |    |    |    | 55  |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | HN  | 6               |     |     |    |    |    |     | 6  |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | IM  | 170             | 49  |     |    |    |    | 40  |    | 76  |     |    | 4  |     |     | 2  |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | JS  | 1               |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     | 1  |
|                | JX  | 208             |     |     | 5  |    |    |     |    |     | 202 |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | JL  | 16              | 4   |     |    |    |    |     |    |     |     | 12 |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | LN  | 12              |     |     |    | 1  |    |     |    |     |     |    | 11 |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | QH  | 40              |     | 40  |    |    |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | SaX | 9               |     |     |    |    |    | 6   |    |     |     |    |    | 3   |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
|                | SD  | 10              |     |     |    | 8  |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     | 2  |
| SX             | 27  |                 |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     | 27  |    |    |    |     |     |    |
| SC             | 72  | 27              | 3   |     |    | 1  |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    | 41 |    |     |     |    |
| XJ             | 74  |                 | 67  |     |    |    |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    | 7  |     |     |    |
| XZ             | 5   | 5               |     |     |    |    |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     |     |    |
| YN             | 201 |                 | 8   | 5   |    |    |    |     |    |     |     |    |    |     |     |    |    |    |     | 188 |    |

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|  | ZJ | 9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 |
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RE: Region; SU: Summation value; OC: Other countries; AH: Anhui; CQ: Chongqing; FJ: Fujian; GS: Gansu; GD: Guangdong; GX: Guangxi; GZ: Guizhou; HB: Hebei; HIJ: Heilongjiang; HN: Henan; HuB: Hubei; IM: Inner Mongolia; JS: Jiangsu; JX: Jiangxi; JL: Jilin; LN: Liaoning; NX: Ningxia; XZ: Xizang; YN: Yunnan; ZJ: Zhejiang;



**Table. S5.** Application percentage of a certain type of APCD combinations in each province

| Installation proportion of certain type of APCDs, $\theta$ (%) <sup>a</sup> |                |         |    |   |   |   |          |     |    |           |     |          |    |    |     |          |    |     |    |             |     |    |     |   |
|---|----------------|---------|----|---|---|---|----------|-----|----|-----------|-----|----------|----|----|-----|----------|----|-----|----|-------------|-----|----|-----|---|
| Process ( <i>i</i> )  |                | Zinc-EP |    |   |   |   | Zinc-EZF |     |    | Zinc-RZSP |     | Lead-SMP |    |    |     | Lead-SPP |    |     |    | Copper-FFSP |     |    |     |   |
| The type of APCDs ( <i>l</i> )  |                | 1       | 2  | 3 | 4 | 5 | 7        | 1   | 5  | 6         | 1   | 5        | 1  | 3  | 4   | 5        | 4  | 5   | 6  | 7           | 1   | 3  | 4   | 5 |
| Province<br>( <i>j</i> )  | Anhui          |         |    |   |   |   |          |     |    |           |     |          |    |    |     |          |    | 100 |    |             |     |    |     |   |
|   | Fujian         | 100     |    |   |   |   |          |     |    |           |     |          |    |    |     |          |    |     |    |             |     |    |     |   |
|   | Gansu          | 95      |    |   |   |   | 5        | 100 |    |           |     |          |    |    |     |          |    |     |    | 100         |     |    |     |   |
|   | Guangdong      | 100     |    |   |   |   |          |     |    |           |     |          |    |    |     |          |    |     |    |             |     |    |     |   |
|   | Guangxi        | 90      |    |   | 9 | 1 |          |     |    |           |     |          | 38 | 53 | 3   | 7        | 63 | 14  | 23 |             |     |    | 100 |   |
|   | Guizhou        | 87      | 0  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13       | 0   | 75 | 25        | 0   | 1        |    |    |     |          |    |     |    |             |     |    |     |   |
|   | Hebei          |         |    |   |   |   |          |     |    |           |     |          |    |    |     |          |    |     |    |             | 83  | 17 |     |   |
|   | Heilongjiang   |         |    |   |   |   |          |     |    |           |     |          |    |    |     |          |    |     |    |             |     |    |     |   |
|   | Henan          | 49      |    |   |   |   | 51       |     |    |           |     |          | 66 | 34 |     |          |    |     |    | 100         |     |    |     |   |
|   | Hong Kong      |         |    |   |   |   |          |     |    |           |     |          |    |    |     |          |    |     |    |             |     |    |     |   |
|   | Hubei          |         |    |   |   |   |          |     |    |           |     |          |    |    |     |          |    |     |    |             |     |    | 100 |   |
|   | Hunan          | 55      | 45 |   |   |   |          |     |    |           | 100 |          | 89 |    |     | 11       |    |     |    | 100         | 100 |    |     |   |
|   | Inner Mongolia | 100     |    |   |   |   |          |     |    |           |     |          |    |    | 100 |          |    |     |    | 100         |     |    | 100 |   |
|   | Jiangxi        |         |    |   |   |   | 100      |     |    |           |     |          |    |    |     |          |    |     |    |             |     |    |     |   |
|   | Jilin          |         |    |   |   |   |          |     |    |           |     |          |    |    |     |          |    |     |    |             |     |    | 100 |   |
| Liaoning  | 100            |         |    |   |   |   |          |     |    | 95        | 5   |          |    |    | 100 |          | 1  |     |    | 59          | 41  |    |     |   |
| Ningxia   |                |         |    |   |   |   |          |     |    |           |     |          |    | 0  | 100 |          |    |     |    |             |     |    |     |   |

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|--|----------|-----|--|----|--|----|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|--|-----|-----|--|--|--|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|  | Qinghai  | 37  |  | 63 |  |    |     |    |     |     |     |  | 100 |     |  |  |  |  |     |     |     |     |
|  | Shaanxi  | 97  |  | 1  |  | 2  |     |    | 100 |     | 100 |  | 100 |     |  |  |  |  | 100 |     |     | 100 |
|  | Shanxi   |     |  |    |  |    | 100 |    |     |     |     |  |     |     |  |  |  |  |     |     | 100 |     |
|  | Sichuan  | 100 |  |    |  |    |     |    |     | 100 |     |  |     |     |  |  |  |  |     | 100 |     |     |
|  | Xinjiang |     |  |    |  |    |     |    |     |     |     |  |     |     |  |  |  |  |     |     |     | 100 |
|  | Yunnan   | 87  |  | 1  |  | 12 |     | 79 | 21  |     | 100 |  |     | 100 |  |  |  |  | 100 | 100 |     |     |
|  | Zhejiang | 100 |  |    |  |    |     |    |     |     |     |  |     |     |  |  |  |  |     | 100 |     |     |

$$0 \leq \theta \leq 1, \sum_i \theta_{i,j} = 1$$

**Table. S6.** Parameters for mercury release rate, distribution coefficient, removal efficiency, metal concentration and recovery rate

| Metal  | Process | Mercury release rate |                     |                   |                     | distribution coefficient |                     |                   | mercury removal efficiency | metal content     | metal recovery rate |
|--------|---------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
|        |         | $\gamma_d$ (%)       | $\gamma_s$ (%)      | $\gamma_e$ (%)    | $\gamma_r$ (%)      | $\zeta_{of}$ (%)         | $\zeta_{ss}$ (%)    | $\zeta_{se}$ (%)  | $\eta_o$ (%)               | $\alpha$ (%)      | $\varphi$ (%)       |
| Zinc   | EP      | 0.80 <sup>a</sup>    | 99.4 <sup>a,c</sup> | 0.00              | 87.2 <sup>a,b</sup> | 0.55 <sup>d</sup>        | 0.00                | 0.00              | 12.5 <sup>a,b</sup>        | 50.5 <sup>g</sup> | 94.0 <sup>g</sup>   |
|        | EZF     | 0.45 <sup>d</sup>    | 99.4 <sup>d</sup>   | 59.1 <sup>d</sup> | 0.00                | 0.55 <sup>d</sup>        | 0.00                | 0.00              | 12.5 <sup>a,b</sup>        | 50.5 <sup>g</sup> | 95.5 <sup>g</sup>   |
|        | RZSP    | 0.45 <sup>d</sup>    | 99.4 <sup>d</sup>   | 59.1 <sup>d</sup> | 0.00                | 0.55 <sup>d</sup>        | 0.00                | 0.00              | 0.00                       | 50.5 <sup>g</sup> | 95.5 <sup>g</sup>   |
|        | ISP     | 0.10 <sup>b</sup>    | 99.1 <sup>b</sup>   | 59.1 <sup>d</sup> | 0.00                | 1.00 <sup>b</sup>        | 0.00                | 0.00              | 12.5 <sup>a,b</sup>        | 50.5 <sup>g</sup> | 95.5 <sup>g</sup>   |
|        | AZSP    | 0.00                 | 99.4 <sup>d</sup>   | 59.1 <sup>d</sup> | 0.00                | 0.55 <sup>d</sup>        | 0.00                | 0.00              | 0.00                       | 50.5 <sup>g</sup> | 95.5 <sup>g</sup>   |
| Lead   | RPSP    | 0.00                 | 98.9 <sup>b</sup>   | 60.1 <sup>b</sup> | 93.7 <sup>b</sup>   | 0.55 <sup>d</sup>        | 0.02 <sup>b</sup>   | 2.40 <sup>b</sup> | 34.7 <sup>b</sup>          | 62.8 <sup>g</sup> | 96.8 <sup>g</sup>   |
|        | SMP     | 0.10 <sup>d</sup>    | 98.7 <sup>b</sup>   | 58.0 <sup>b</sup> | 0.00                | 0.55 <sup>d</sup>        | 0.00                | 14.4 <sup>b</sup> | 12.5 <sup>a,b</sup>        | 62.8 <sup>g</sup> | 96.8 <sup>g</sup>   |
|        | ISP     | 0.10 <sup>b</sup>    | 99.1 <sup>b</sup>   | 59.1 <sup>d</sup> | 0.00                | 1.00 <sup>b</sup>        | 0.00                | 0.00 <sup>b</sup> | 12.5 <sup>a,b</sup>        | 62.8 <sup>g</sup> | 96.8 <sup>g</sup>   |
|        | SPP     | 0.00                 | 98.8 <sup>d</sup>   | 59.1 <sup>d</sup> | 0.00                | 0.55 <sup>b</sup>        | 20.6                | 14.4 <sup>d</sup> | 0.00                       | 62.8 <sup>g</sup> | 96.8 <sup>g</sup>   |
| Copper | FFSP    | 0.90 <sup>b</sup>    | 97.7 <sup>b</sup>   | 0.00 <sup>e</sup> | 0.00                | 0.55 <sup>d</sup>        | 0.80 <sup>b,f</sup> | 0.00              | 34.7                       | 21.7 <sup>g</sup> | 97.8 <sup>g</sup>   |
|        | RPSP    | 0.00                 | 98.1 <sup>b</sup>   | 0.00 <sup>e</sup> | 90.0 <sup>d</sup>   | 0.10 <sup>b</sup>        | 1.80 <sup>b,f</sup> | 0.00              | 12.5 <sup>a,b</sup>        | 21.7 <sup>g</sup> | 97.8 <sup>g</sup>   |
|        | RE      | 0.00                 | 97.9 <sup>d</sup>   | 0.00 <sup>e</sup> | 0.00                | 0.55 <sup>d</sup>        | 1.30 <sup>d</sup>   | 0.00              | 12.5 <sup>a,b</sup>        | 21.7 <sup>g</sup> | 97.8 <sup>g</sup>   |
|        | IFSP    | 0.45 <sup>d</sup>    | 97.9 <sup>d</sup>   | 0.00 <sup>e</sup> | 90.0 <sup>d</sup>   | 0.55 <sup>d</sup>        | 1.30 <sup>d</sup>   | 0.00              | 12.5 <sup>a,b</sup>        | 21.7 <sup>g</sup> | 97.8 <sup>g</sup>   |
|        | EF/RF   | 0.00                 | 97.9 <sup>d</sup>   | 0.00 <sup>e</sup> | 0.00                | 0.55 <sup>d</sup>        | 1.30 <sup>d</sup>   | 0.00              | 0.00                       | 21.7 <sup>g</sup> | 97.8 <sup>g</sup>   |

a. Wang et al., 2010

b. Zhang et al., 2012

c. Li et al., 2007

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- d. Estimated value
  - e. Smelting flue gas is mixed with extraction flue gas as primary flue gas in copper smelters. Smelting and extraction sector are regarded as one sector. Mercury release rate for primary flue gas includes that released from extraction process.
  - f. Include mercury in extraction slag.
  - g. The editorial board of Chinese nonferrous metal industry association, 2011

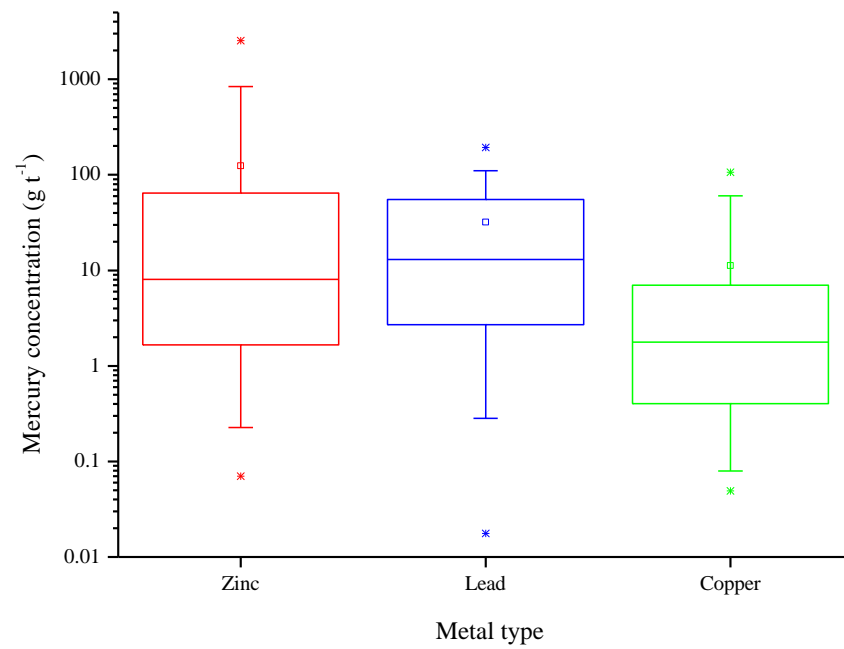


Fig. S1. Mercury concentration of concentrates from Chinese mines