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# Rhenium solubility and speciation in aqueous fluids at high temperature and pressure

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## Abstract

In order to characterize rhenium transport via infiltration of fluids in the Earth's interior, the solubility and solution mechanisms of  $\text{ReO}_2$  in aqueous fluids were determined to 900 °C and about 1710 MPa by using an externally-heated hydrothermal diamond anvil cell. In order to shed light on how Re solubility and solution mechanisms in aqueous fluids can be affected by interaction of Re with other solutes, compositions ranged from the comparatively simple  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  system to compositionally more complex  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  fluids. Fluids in the  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$ , and  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-ReO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  systems also were examined. The presence of  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  enhances the  $\text{ReO}_2$  solubility so that in  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-ReO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  fluids, for example, Re solubility is increased by a factor of 10–15 compared with the Re solubility in  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ -free  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  fluids. The  $\text{SiO}_2$  component in  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  causes reduction of  $\text{ReO}_2$  solubility compared with  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  fluids. The  $\text{ReO}_2$  solubility in the Na-bearing  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  fluids is greater than that in fluids in both the  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  systems. Rhenium is dissolved in aqueous fluid as  $\text{ReO}_4$ -complexes with Re in fourfold coordination with oxygen. Some, or all, of the oxygen in these complexes is replaced by OH-groups depending on whether  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  also is present. It is proposed that during dehydration of hydrated subduction zone mineral assemblages in the upper mantle, the alkali/alkaline earth ratio of the source of the released aqueous fluid affects the extent to which Re (and other HFSE) can be transported into an overlying peridotite mantle wedge. The infiltration of such fluids will, in turn, affect the Re content (and Re/Os ratio) of magma formed by partial melting of this peridotite wedge.

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## 1 Introduction

The rhenium distribution in the Earth's interior is heterogeneous perhaps because of Re transport by infiltrating aqueous fluids (D'Souza and Canil 2018). For example, significant Re enrichments in the mantle wedge overlying subducting plates near continental margins have

been reported (Becker 2000; Sun et al. 2003; Tassara et al. 2018; Crossley et al. 2020). This enrichment could be the result of Re transfer from dehydrating slab materials to the overlying peridotite wedge during slab descent into the mantle. During partial melting of a peridotite wedge altered by the infiltrating fluids, its Re signature can be imparted on the partial melt. This signature could depend on temperature, pressure, redox conditions, bulk composition of the slab source of the fluid, and the fluid composition itself because those variables may affect the solubility of Re in the infiltrating fluid.

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The solubility of an element in fluid can vary significantly depending on whether or not other solutes are present. For example, for a simple system such as  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3\text{-H}_2\text{O}$ , the alumina solubility under deep crustal and upper mantle conditions is on the order of tens of ppm (Becker et al. 1983; Ragnarsdóttir and Walther 1985; Tropper and Manning 2007). However, in the presence of, in particular, alkali metals such as  $\text{Na}^+$  and  $\text{K}^+$ , the  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  solubility increases by several orders of magnitude (Anderson and Burnham 1983; Pascal and Anderson 1989; Diakonov et al. 1996; Wohlers et al. 2011). Similar solubility behavior has been reported for nominally insoluble minor and trace elements such as  $\text{Ti}^{4+}$  and  $\text{Zr}^{4+}$ . In pure  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  at deep crustal and upper mantle temperature and pressure conditions, the  $\text{TiO}_2$  and  $\text{ZrO}_2$  solubility is on the order of a few to a few tens of ppm (Audétat and Keppler 2005; Antignano and Manning 2008; Mysen 2012, 2015; Bernini et al. 2013; Louvel et al. 2013). However, with other solutes such as alkali metals, and perhaps  $\text{SiO}_2$ , under similar temperature and pressure conditions, both  $\text{TiO}_2$  and  $\text{ZrO}_2$  solubility increases by several orders of magnitude (Antignano and Manning 2008; Hayden and Manning 2011; Wilke et al. 2012, 2013; Mysen 2012, 2015, 2022). Rhenium may exhibit similar solution behavior, but relevant experimental data appear not to be available.

In order to characterize the influence of fluid transport on major, minor, and trace element concentrations in the Earth's interior, it is necessary to establish how their solubility in fluid and fractionation between fluid and condensed phases (magmatic liquid and mineral assemblages) depend on fluid composition, temperature, pressure, and, for some elements, redox conditions (see, for example, Pokrovski et al. 2013; Stefánsson et al. 2013, for reviews). It is also necessary to establish how interaction between other solutes affects solution mechanisms and solubility of elements of interest in the fluid (Diakonov et al. 1996; Azaroual et al. 1996; Wohlers et al. 2011; Manning 2018).

Whether, or the extent to which, interaction between rhenium and other solutes in fluids may take place, is not well known. However, in light of such effects on the solubility of other metals including geochemically similar elements (Bali et al. 2011, 2012; Ulrich and Mavrogenes 2008; Klein-BenDavid et al. 2011; Watenphul et al. 2014) and because of the importance of characterization of rhenium distribution in the Earth's interior (e.g., Tassara et al. 2018; Crossley et al. 2020), examination of possible effects of Re complexing with other solutes on Re solubility and Re solution mechanisms in high-temperature/-pressure  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ -rich fluids relevant to upper mantle conditions is the principal objective of the present report.

## 2 Experimental methods

Examination of fluid-bearing samples comprised of  $\text{ReO}_2$  and other oxides was conducted experimentally while the samples were at the desired temperatures and pressures. Experiments were carried out in this way because structure and solubility of oxide components in aqueous fluids at high temperature and pressure cannot be determined with precision by examination of the fluids after their quenching back to ambient temperature and pressure.

Characterization while at high temperature and pressure was accomplished by using externally heated, hydrothermal diamonds cells (HDAC) based on the design by Bassett et al. (1994). The optical access through the diamond windows in these diamond anvil cells allows for petrographic and spectroscopic examination of the sample while at the temperature and pressure of interest. In the present study, samples were characterized with optical examination and Raman spectroscopy.

Four different Re-containing mixtures ( $\text{ReO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-ReO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$ , and  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$ ) were used as starting materials to assess effects of interactions among dissolved components such as  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{SiO}_2$  on rhenium speciation and solubility in aqueous fluids. In addition, two starting compositions without  $\text{ReO}_2$ , but with  $\text{SiO}_2$  ( $\text{SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$ ), were employed to aid in the identification of spectroscopic features from Si-O bonding in species in (Si + Re)-bearing fluids.

The starting materials were comprised of double-distilled  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  with 1 molar NaOH, and spectroscopically pure crystalline  $\text{ReO}_2$  and  $\text{SiO}_2$ . The Na- and Si-components were chosen as additional solutes because they have been demonstrated to cause pronounced solubility changes of components that are nearly insoluble in  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  alone (Pascal and Anderson 1989; Hayden and Manning 2011; Wilke et al. 2012; Louvel et al. 2013).

The samples in the HDAC were contained in 125  $\mu\text{m}$  thick Re gaskets with a central 500  $\mu\text{m}$ -diameter sample containment hole between the two opposing diamonds with 1 mm culets. Sample temperatures were monitored with two K-type thermocouples touching both the upper and lower diamonds of the HDAC. Temperature variations within the cell, assessed with NaCl melting, which melts at 801.5 °C at ambient pressure, were 2–3 °C.

Pressure in the hydrothermal diamond anvil cell was generated by increasing the temperature, which causes increased pressure from the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ -rich fluid of the sample. This pressure is governed by the PVT properties of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (Wagner and Pruss 2002), or, more precisely, from the oxide-saturated aqueous fluids. However, because the sample volume varies with temperature and pressure, pressure calculations from PVT properties yield

unreliable result. Moreover, the PVT properties of oxide-saturated fluids also are affected by such solutes (Mysen 2010; Wilke et al. 2013). Therefore, actual pressure was determined from the one-phonon Raman shift of synthetic  $^{13}\text{C}$  diamond. This Raman shift depends on pressure and temperature (e.g., Schiferl et al. 1997).

Pressure determination from the one-phonon Raman shift of the  $^{13}\text{C}$  diamond, placed within the fluid, was accomplished by using the pressure-/temperature-calibrated Raman shift (Mysen and Yamashita 2010). Carbon-13 diamond was used for this purpose to avoid interference of the Raman signal from the natural diamond anvils in the diamond anvil cell. The frequency difference between the one-phonon Raman shifts from natural diamond of the diamond anvils, which are nearly 100% carbon-12, and the synthetic carbon-13 diamond is about  $80\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (Hanfland et al. 1985). The carbon-13 diamonds were synthesized with a CVD method where  $^{13}\text{CH}_4$  gas was the source of carbon from which to grow diamonds (Liang et al. 2013).

Raman spectra were recorded with a JASCO<sup>TM</sup> micro-Raman spectrometer equipped with confocal optics, a single monochromator, a holographic notch filter and holographic gratings. The confocal optics reduce the focal depth of the laser beam used to excite the sample, which, in turn, diminishes the potential for interference with a sample signal from adjacent materials. Raman excitation was achieved by using the 490 nm line of a Coherent MX-Series solid state laser with  $\sim 40\text{ mW}$  laser power at the sample.

For pressure determination with the one-phonon shift of the  $^{13}\text{C}$  diamond spectrum, 2400 grooves/mm grating density was employed to maximize accuracy of the spectrometer. This accuracy ( $\pm 1\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) was improved further by using emission lines from a Neon lamp as internal standard. A  $\pm 0.1\text{ cm}^{-1}$  frequency uncertainty is attained with this design. This uncertainty translates to a  $\pm 40\text{ MPa}$  precision of pressure measurements. The overall pressure uncertainty in the HDAC experiments, which also incorporates the uncertainty in the pressure/temperature calibration of the one-phonon Raman shift of the carbon-13 diamond from Mysen and Yamashita (2010), is  $\pm 110\text{ MPa}$ .

Each of the starting compositions was subjected to nearly the same temperature sequence. However, even though the temperatures were similar, the pressure–temperature trajectories of these individual experimental series differed because the proportion of fluid and solids (crystalline  $\text{ReO}_2$  and  $\text{SiO}_2$ ) differed in each experiment so that the fluid volume and, therefore, the pressure exerted by this fluid, was different. It is not feasible to load the same proportions of fluid and solids in the sample hole of the Re gaskets because of the small sample

volume in the diamond cell sample containment design (volume  $\sim 15 \cdot 10^{-3}\text{ mm}^3$ ).

In each experimental temperature/pressure measurement series, the fluid+oxide sample was first brought to the highest planned temperature with its corresponding pressure and left there for about an hour prior to recording spectra while the sample remained at this temperature and pressure. Following measurements at a pressure/temperature condition, the next lowest temperature/pressure condition was reached with a  $1\text{ }^\circ\text{C/s}$  cooling rate. The 60-min dwell time at each temperature and pressure before spectroscopic measurements was considered sufficient to reach equilibrium with the present experimental configuration given that similar experimental duration has been shown sufficient to establish isotopic equilibrium between fluid and condensed phases at similar temperatures (Mysen 2015). Spectra of carbon-13 diamond were recorded at each temperature to determine the pressure.

### 3 Results and discussion

Crystalline  $\text{ReO}_2$  and  $\text{SiO}_2$  powders, together and individually, coexisting with aqueous fluid were present in the experiment (e. g., Fig. 1). The experiments were carried out in the  $550\text{--}900\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  and about  $150\text{--}1710\text{ MPa}$  temperature and pressure ranges, respectively (Fig. 2). The temperature–pressure relationships in Fig. 2 must be kept in mind, therefore, when reference is made to temperature of an experiment in this report.

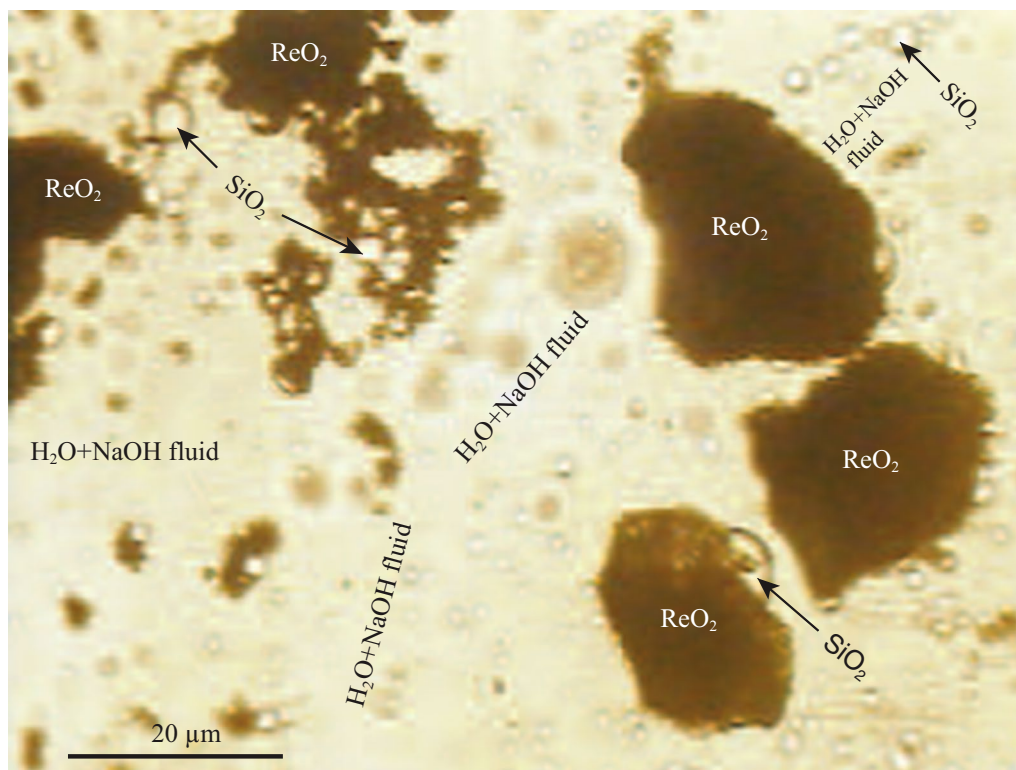
#### 3.1 Raman spectroscopy and solution mechanisms in fluid

Raman spectra were recorded in the  $300\text{--}1200\text{ cm}^{-1}$  range (low-frequency range) where Raman signals from vibrations of Re–O and Si–O bonds can be detected. Raman signals in this frequency range were used, therefore, to examine structural features of oxide components dissolved in the aqueous fluid.

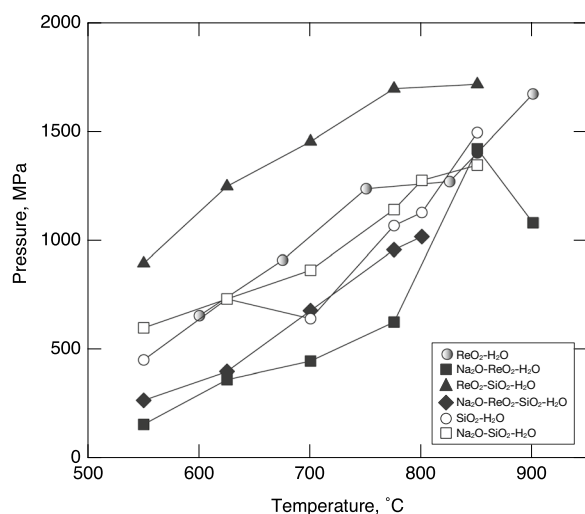
Spectra recorded in the  $3000\text{--}4000\text{ cm}^{-1}$  range (high-frequency range) comprise signals assigned to stretch vibrations from OH-groups. These OH-groups can be a part of molecular  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  or as OH-groups that form bonding with metal cations dissolved in aqueous fluid.

##### 3.1.1 Low-frequency range ( $300\text{--}1200\text{ cm}^{-1}$ )

The Raman spectra of  $\text{ReO}_2\text{--H}_2\text{O}$  fluids in the  $300\text{--}1200\text{ cm}^{-1}$  frequency range characteristically are comprised of three bands near  $320\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $920\text{ cm}^{-1}$  and  $960\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , respectively (Fig. 3A). The same three bands were observed in spectra of  $\text{Na}_2\text{O--ReO}_2\text{--H}_2\text{O}$  fluid. In addition, in this latter system, a fourth band was observed near  $1040\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (Fig. 3B).



**Fig. 1** Photomicrograph  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{ReO}_2-\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  fluid and solid  $\text{SiO}_2$  and  $\text{ReO}_2$  while in the hydrothermal diamond anvil cell at 550 °C and 250 MPa. Individual phases are identified on photo

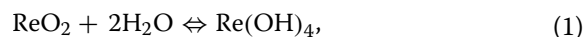


**Fig. 2** Pressure–temperature trajectories of the 6 different experimental series conducted in this project. Individual systems are identified in the caption on the figure

The 320, 920, 960  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  bands in the spectrum of  $\text{ReO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  fluid occur at frequencies similar to those from  $\text{Re}-\text{O}$  vibrations in isolated  $\text{ReO}_4$  groups such as existing in crystalline  $\text{ReO}_2$  in which  $\text{Re}^{4+}$  is in fourfold

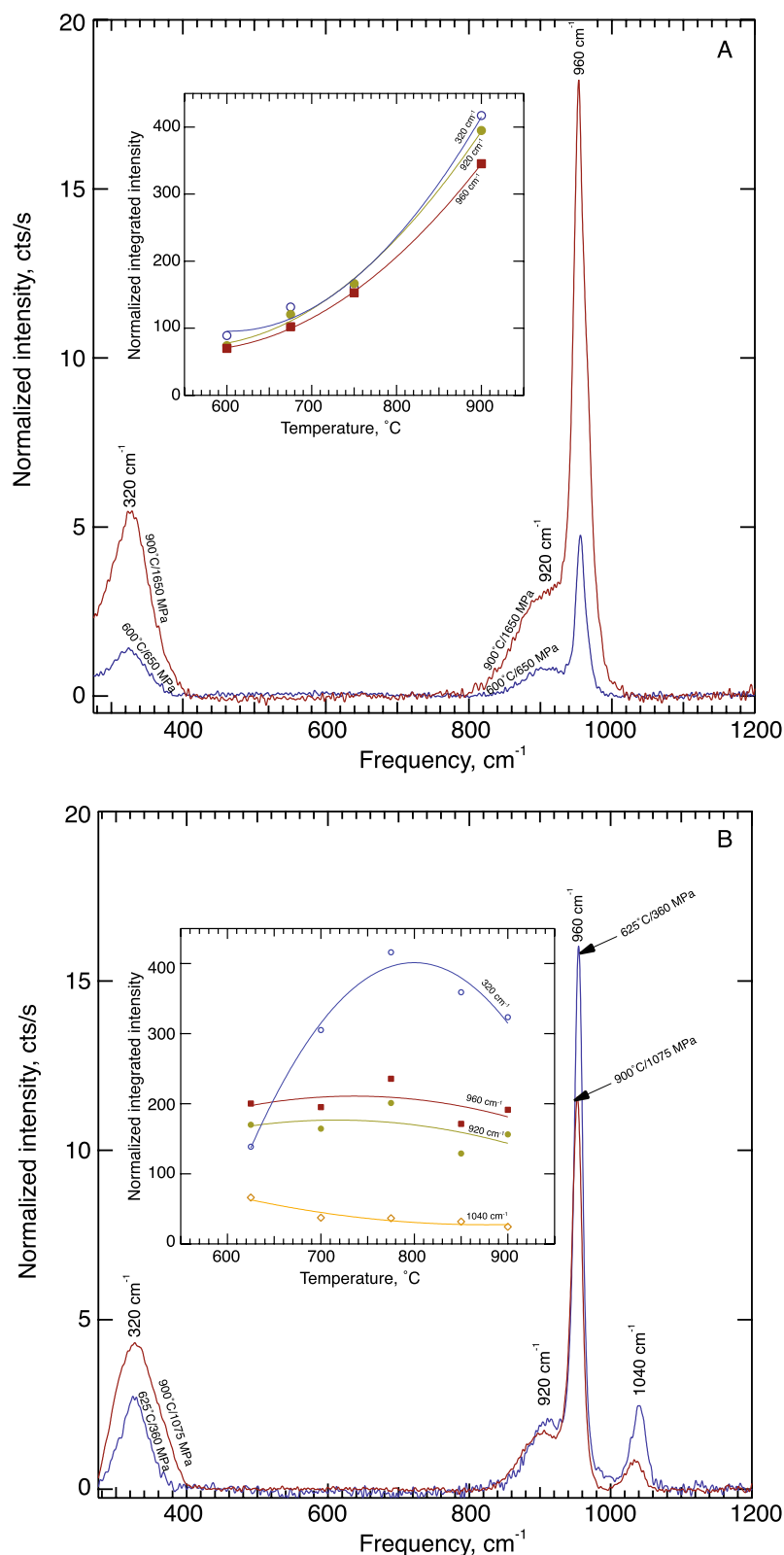
coordination with oxygen and also from calculated spectra of isolated  $\text{ReO}_4$  groups (Busey and Keller 1964; Weinstock et al. 1973). It seems reasonably to conclude, therefore, that in fluids in the  $\text{ReO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  system, dissolved  $\text{Re}^{4+}$  also occupies fourfold coordination with oxygen perhaps forming isolated rhenate groups ( $\text{ReO}_4$ ).

The rhenium solution mechanism in aqueous fluid in the simple  $\text{ReO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  system, may be described, therefore, with the expression:

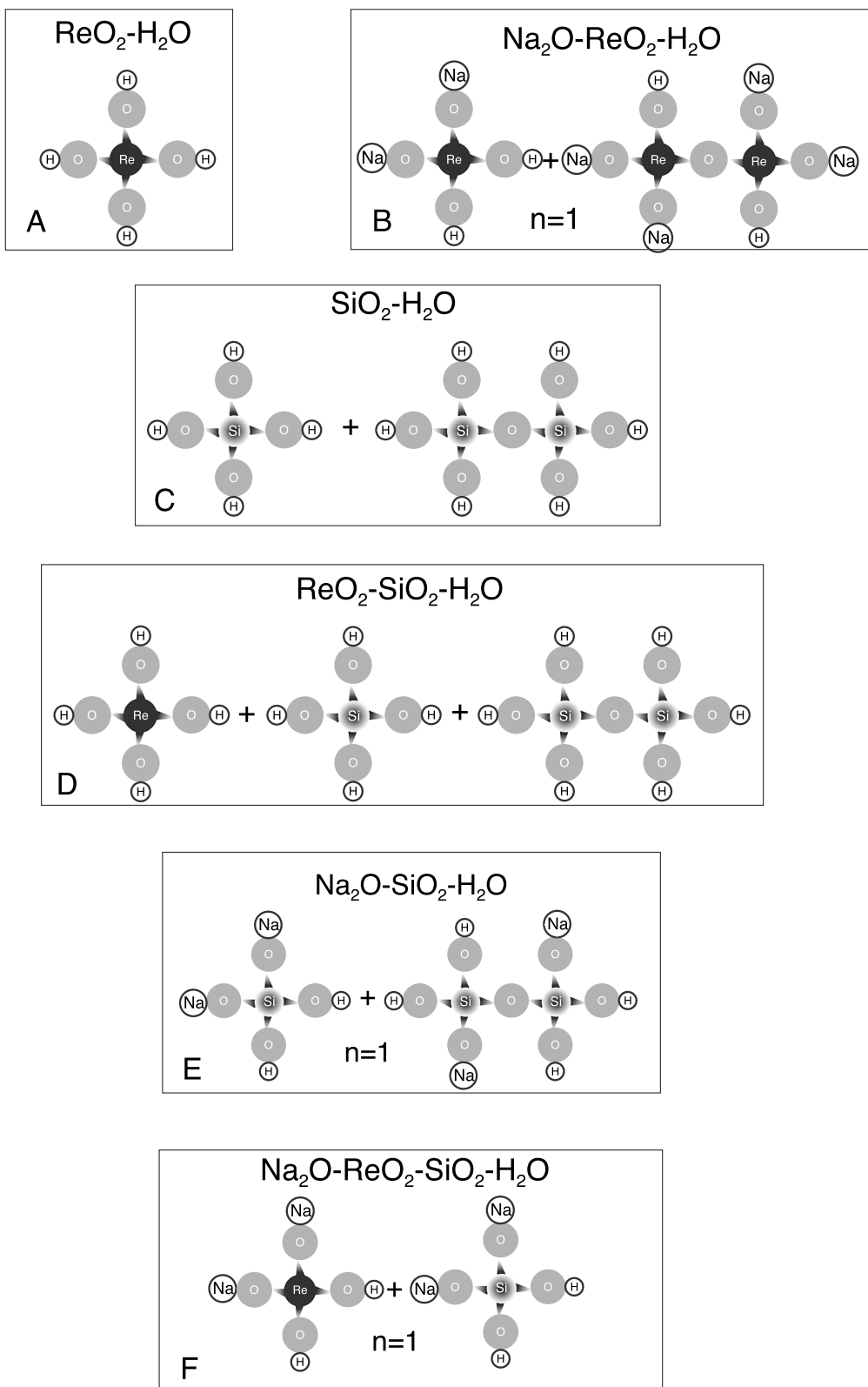


with the  $\text{Re}(\text{OH})_4$  structure schematically illustrated in Fig. 4A.

The Raman band near 1040  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  in the spectra of  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{ReO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  fluid might reflect  $\text{Re}-\text{O}$  bonding in structural entities more polymerized than isolated  $\text{ReO}_4$  groups (i.e., containing  $\text{Re}-\text{O}-\text{Re}$  bridges). This suggestion is based on analogy with the  $\text{Si}-\text{O}$  vibrations of bridging oxygen in silicate melts and in silicate-saturated aqueous fluid at sufficiently high temperature and pressure to stability polymerized silica complexes (Virgo et al. 1980; Zotov and Keppler 2002; Mysen 2010). In such silicate complexes,  $\text{Si}-\text{O}$  symmetric stretch vibrations also result in a broad Raman band near 1040–1060  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  (Furukawa et al. 1981; Lasaga 1982).

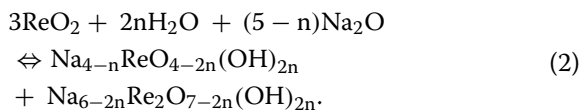


**Fig. 3** Examples of Raman spectra in the 300–1200 cm<sup>-1</sup> frequency range of fluids from systems without SiO<sub>2</sub>. **A** ReO<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O and **B** Na<sub>2</sub>O-ReO<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>O at the temperatures and pressures indicated on the individual spectra. Inserts show the temperature evolution of the individual Raman bands. Pressures corresponding to each temperature can be read off Fig. 2. In this and subsequent figures, the Raman intensities are normalized to the same Raman setup parameters (acquisition time and slit width)



**Fig. 4** Schematic representations of solution mechanisms in the fluids for systems as indicated on individual structures

Although details of the structure of polymerized rhenate groups is not clear from the experimental data, by using relationships between SiO<sub>2</sub> concentration and silicate polymerization in aqueous fluid and silicate melts as a guide (Mysen et al. 1982a, 2013), a pyrorhenate complex (Re<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>) seems most likely structural complex containing bridging oxygen. The solution mechanism of ReO<sub>2</sub> in Na<sub>2</sub>O–ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluids may then be described as follows:



In Eq. (2), the value of  $n$  defines distribution of H<sup>+</sup> and Na<sup>+</sup> bonded to nonbridging oxygen in the ReO<sub>4</sub> and Re<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> groups such as in Eq. (2) and illustrated schematically in Fig. 4B. From this information, the OH/Na abundance ratio in the orthorhenate groups (Na<sub>4-n</sub>ReO<sub>4-2n</sub>(OH)<sub>2n</sub>) will always be greater than in the pyrorhenate group (Na<sub>6-2n</sub>Re<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7-2n</sub>(OH)<sub>2n</sub>) because the oxygen bridge between the two ReO<sub>4</sub> groups in the pyrorhenate complex is not bonded to either H<sup>+</sup> or Na<sup>+</sup> (e.g., Fig. 4B). We also note that the relationships in Eq. (2) and Fig. 4B do not consider possible complexes in the fluids that include Na–OH bonding. In analogy with the structural interpretation of <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>29</sup>Si MAS NMR spectra of hydrous Na-silicate melts in which isolated NaOH groups were found to be common (Cody et al. 2005), NaOH-type complexes probably also exist in the Re-bearing fluids.

In the spectra of ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluid, there is an approximately fourfold increase in integrated area of each of the three low-frequency bands with increasing temperature and pressure (from 600 °C/~600 MPa to 900 °C/~1700 MPa; see insert in Fig. 3A). If the Raman cross sections for these vibrations do not change with concentration and no other structural changes take place in the neighborhood of the Re–O bonds of interest, this observed intensity increase would correspond to a fourfold Re concentration increase in the fluids in this temperature and pressure range. Such a conclusion has been reported for sulfur species in aqueous fluids, for example (Schmidt and Seward 2017).

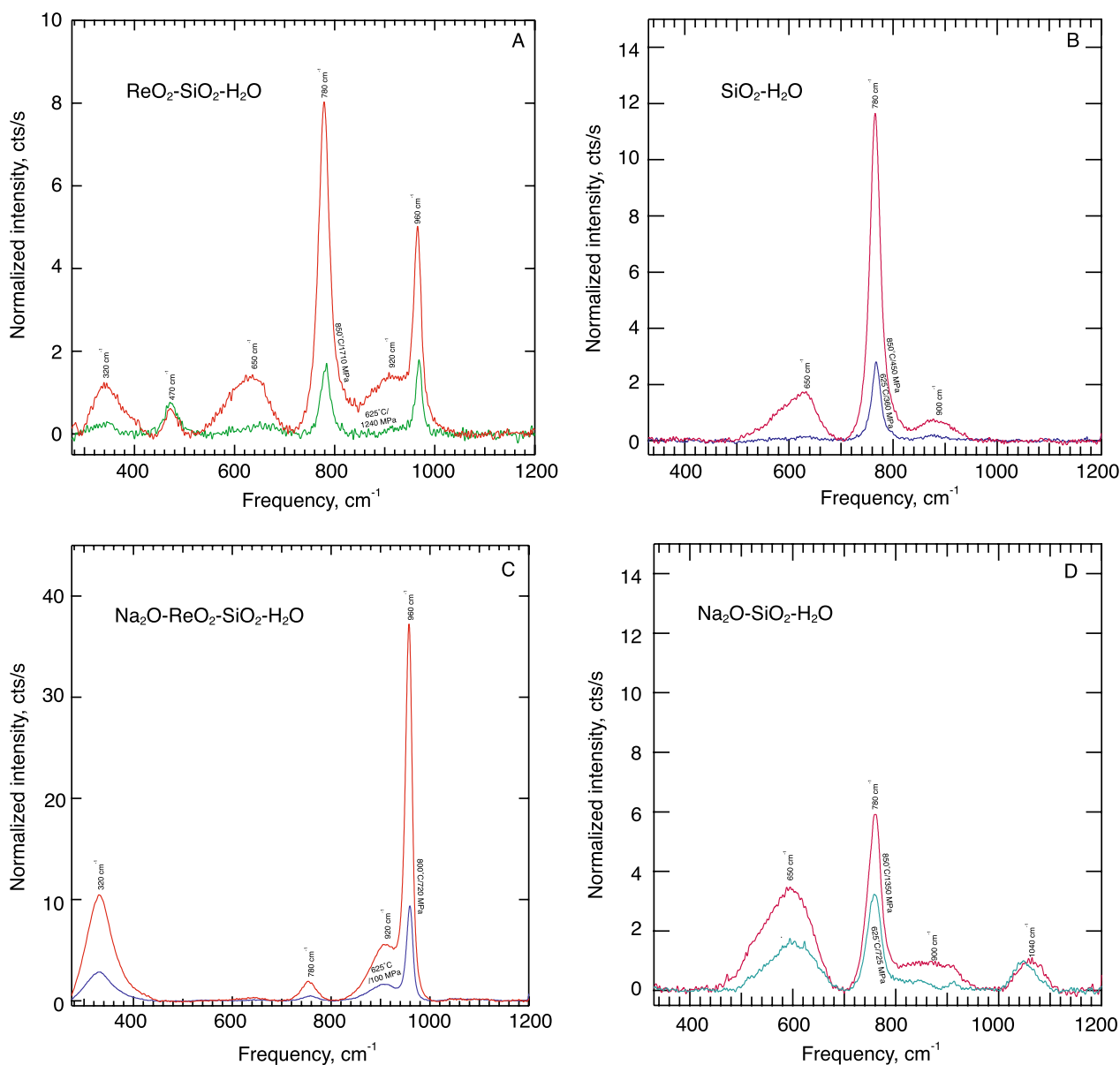
However, in the spectra of Na<sub>2</sub>O–ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluids, the intensity of the three highest-frequency bands (920, 960, and 1040 cm<sup>-1</sup>) all decrease with increasing temperature and pressure, whereas the lower-frequency 320 cm<sup>-1</sup> band intensity appears to pass through a maximum at intermediate temperature and pressure (insert in Fig. 3B). Additional structural complexity likely exists here as evidenced by the 1040 cm<sup>-1</sup> band. As discussed above, this band probably reflects the presence of Re–O–Re bridges

in the Re-complexes in these fluids. Under such circumstances, the intensity relations are not simply a function of the intensity of the Raman bands assigned to Re–O vibrations in other Re-bearing structural complexes in the fluid.

Raman spectra of fluid in systems that include both ReO<sub>2</sub> and SiO<sub>2</sub> (ReO<sub>2</sub>–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O and Na<sub>2</sub>O–ReO<sub>2</sub>–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O) are compared with the low-frequency spectra of ReO<sub>2</sub>-free equivalent systems (SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O and Na<sub>2</sub>O–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O) in Fig. 5. The spectra of ReO<sub>2</sub>–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluids (Fig. 5A) include the same bands as those in fluid spectra from ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O (320, 920, and 960 cm<sup>-1</sup> bands; see also Fig. 3A). These three Raman bands are assigned to the same Re–O vibrations with Re in fourfold coordination with oxygen in the fluid (Re–O vibrations in ReO<sub>4</sub> groups).

The spectra of ReO<sub>2</sub>–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluid recorded at the highest temperatures and pressures examined contain two or three additional bands near 470, 650, and 780 cm<sup>-1</sup> (Figs. 3A and 5A). These bands were not observed in the ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluid spectra. The 650 and 780 cm<sup>-1</sup> bands also are evident in the spectra of SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluid (Fig. 5B). In the spectra of SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluids, there is also a weak band near 900 cm<sup>-1</sup>. In spectra of both Re-bearing (Fig. 5A, C) and Re-free (Fig. 5B, D) fluids with SiO<sub>2</sub>, the integrated Raman intensities of the latter bands grow with increasing temperature and pressure (Fig. 6). Their intensities in the spectra of Re-free SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluid exceed those in the spectra of ReO<sub>2</sub>–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluid (Fig. 6).

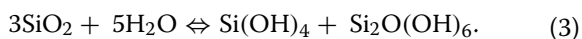
The 650, 780, and 900 cm<sup>-1</sup> Raman bands in the spectra of SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O and ReO<sub>2</sub>–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluid are assigned to Si–O vibrations in silicate-bearing fluid species. In other structural studies of silicate speciation in SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluids at high temperature and pressure, the 780 cm<sup>-1</sup> band has been assigned to Si–O stretch vibrations in isolated SiO<sub>4</sub> tetrahedra with H<sup>+</sup> attached to oxygen in the corners of those tetrahedra (Zotov and Keppler 2000; Mysen 2010, 2009). In the SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluids, there are two additional bands, near 650 and 900 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively, as well as another band near 1040 cm<sup>-1</sup> (Fig. 5D). The 650 cm<sup>-1</sup> is assigned to Si–O–Si bending vibrations in polymerized silicate structures (Zotov and Keppler 2002), and the 1040 cm<sup>-1</sup> band to Si–O stretch vibrations of bridging oxygen bonds (Furukawa et al. 1981; Lasaga 1982; Mysen et al. 1982a). The existence of those two bands do not define the number of oxygen bridges in this silicate structure, and merely the existence of bridging oxygens, which exist in all polymerized silicate structures. However, the 900 cm<sup>-1</sup> band most likely should be assigned to Si–O stretching of a nonbridging Si–O bond in pyrosilicate (Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>) structure in silicate melts and silicate-saturated



**Fig. 5** Examples of Raman spectra of fluids in the 300–1200  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  frequency range from systems that contain  $\text{SiO}_2$  in addition to  $\text{ReO}_2$ . **A** Fluid spectra from the  $\text{ReO}_2$ – $\text{SiO}_2$ – $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . **B** Fluid spectra from the  $\text{SiO}_2$ – $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . **C** Fluid spectra from the  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ – $\text{ReO}_2$ – $\text{SiO}_2$ – $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . **D** Fluid spectra from the  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ – $\text{SiO}_2$ – $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . Raman intensities are normalized to the same Raman setup parameters (acquisition time and slit width)

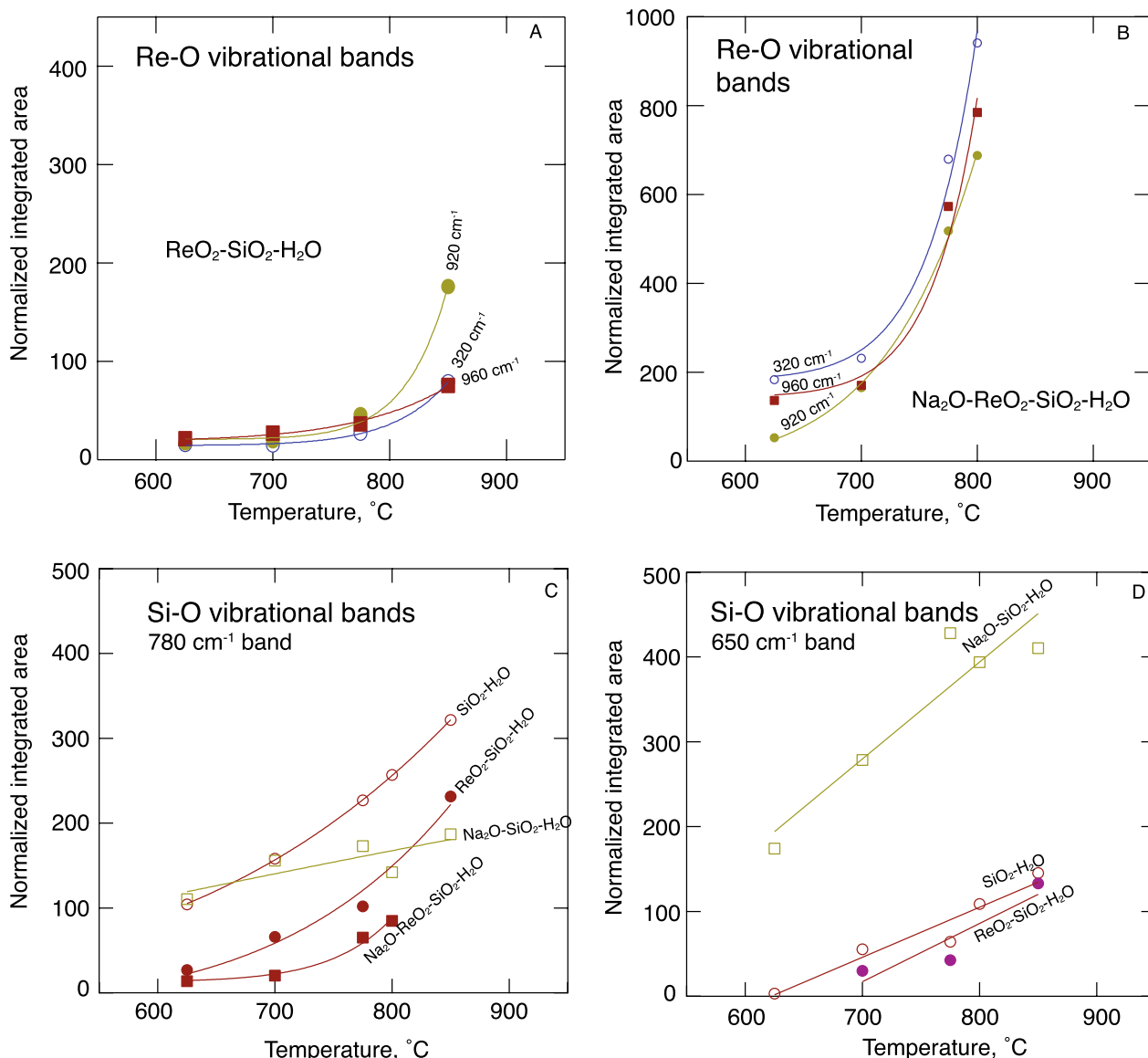
aqueous fluids (Lasaga 1982; Seifert et al. 1982; Mysen 2009). This assignment also is consistent with the assignments of the 650 and 1040  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  bands.

The simplest solution mechanism of  $\text{SiO}_2$  in the  $\text{SiO}_2$ – $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  fluids under the conditions of the present experiments can be described with the equation;



In the  $\text{SiO}_2$ – $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  fluids, all the terminal oxygens in the  $\text{SiO}_4$  groups have been replaced by OH groups. In the  $\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7$  groups, all six terminal oxygens (nonbridging oxygens) have been replaced by OH groups. There is no  $\text{H}^+$  bonded to the single bridging oxygen model in this model (see also Fig. 4C). These silicate structures are, therefore, analogous to the rhenate structures in  $\text{ReO}_2$ – $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{ReO}_2$ – $\text{SiO}_2$ – $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , and  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$ – $\text{ReO}_2$ – $\text{SiO}_2$ – $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  fluids in which

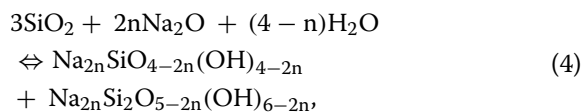




**Fig. 6** Temperature evolution of integrated intensity Raman bands assigned to Re–O and Si–O vibrations in spectra of fluids as indicated on each curve. Pressures corresponding to each temperature can be read off Fig. 2. Raman intensities are normalized to the same Raman setup parameters (acquisition time and slit width). **A** Intensity evolution with temperature (and pressure) of bands assigned to Re–O vibrations in fluid from the  $\text{ReO}_2\text{--SiO}_2\text{--H}_2\text{O}$ . **B** Intensity evolution with temperature (and pressure) of bands assigned to Re–O vibrations in fluid from the  $\text{Na}_2\text{O--ReO}_2\text{--SiO}_2\text{--H}_2\text{O}$ . **C** Temperature evolution of intensity of Si–O stretch vibrations from isolated  $\text{SiO}_4$  tetrahedra ( $780\text{ cm}^{-1}$  band) in fluids in systems that contain  $\text{SiO}_2$ . **D** Temperature evolution of intensity of Si–O–Si bend vibrations from polymerized  $\text{SiO}_4$  tetrahedra ( $650\text{ cm}^{-1}$  band) in fluids in systems that contain  $\text{SiO}_2$

$\text{Re}^{4+}$ , instead of  $\text{Si}^{4+}$ , occupies the central position in the oxygen tetrahedra (compared Fig. 4B, C).

Silicate species in  $\text{Na}_2\text{O--SiO}_2\text{--H}_2\text{O}$  also include  $\text{Si}_2\text{O}_7$  groups. In this latter system, the solution mechanism of silica, not including possible NaOH complexes, can be written as;



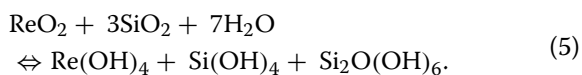
with the structure of the silicate species illustrated in Fig. 4E. Here, as in expression (2), both  $H^+$  and  $Na^+$  form bonding with terminal oxygen in the tetrahedra. Their proportion is governed by the value of  $n$ .

The Raman band near  $650\text{ cm}^{-1}$  in the spectra of fluids in the  $ReO_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  system at the highest temperatures and pressures and in the spectra  $SiO_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluids at all temperatures and pressures, remains assigned to  $-O-$  bending vibrations. This means that the  $650\text{ cm}^{-1}$  band in the spectra of  $ReO_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluids implies that some of the  $SiO_4$  tetrahedra are more polymerized than an isolated  $SiO_4$  tetrahedron. However, whether this bridging oxygen is from  $Re-O-Re$ ,  $Re-O-Si$ , or  $Si-O-Si$  bridges cannot be determined from the Raman spectra. In the sketch in Fig. 4D, this feature in  $ReO_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluid is assumed to be  $Si-O-Si$  bridges resembling the structural features of  $SiO_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluids.

Because an intense  $780\text{ cm}^{-1}$  band remains in the  $ReO_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluid spectra, isolated  $SiO_4$  groups coexist with the more polymerized complexes in those fluids. The  $900\text{ cm}^{-1}$  band in the spectra of high temperature and pressure  $ReO_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluids and in all the fluids from the  $SiO_2\text{-H}_2O$  system is assigned to  $Si-O$  stretch vibrations this polymerized silicate complex. This assignment is consistent with the assignment of the  $650\text{ cm}^{-1}$  band because the  $900\text{ cm}^{-1}$  together with that near  $650\text{ cm}^{-1}$  is considered typical whenever  $Si_2O_7$  entities (with one  $Si-O-Si$  bridge per Si) exist in the structure (Furukawa et al. 1981).

Rhenium is considerably heavier than Si. So, if we assume that the  $900\text{ cm}^{-1}$  should be assigned to  $Re-O$  stretch vibrations in hypothetical  $Re_2O_7$  or  $ReSiO_7$  complexes, it is likely, that the frequency of  $Re-O$  stretch vibrations in such complexes would be at frequencies quite different, and likely lower much lower, than that of the  $Si-O$  stretch vibrations in an  $Si_2O_7$  complex (Brawer and White 1975). It is concluded, therefore, that most likely the polymerized species in  $ReO_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluid is  $Si_2O_7$ .

From this structural interpretation of the  $ReO_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  spectra, the  $ReO_2 + SiO_2$  solution mechanism in aqueous can be formulated with an expression such as:

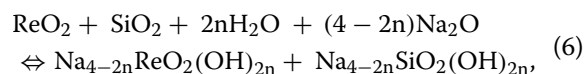


Schematic structure of coexisting silicate and rhenate complexes in the  $ReO_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluids are illustrated in Fig. 4D.

In  $SiO_2$ -bearing systems that also include  $Na_2O$  such as in the system  $Na_2O\text{-ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$ , the spectra of their fluid comprise the same three bands as in the spectra of fluids in the  $Na_2O\text{-ReO}_2\text{-H}_2O$ . These bands were assigned to  $Re-O$  vibrations in  $ReO_4$  groups (Figs. 3B

and 5C). There is no evidence for polymerized rhenate complexes in the  $Na_2O\text{-ReO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluids. In addition, in the  $Na_2O\text{-ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluid spectra, there is a weak band near  $780\text{ cm}^{-1}$ . This band becomes more intense with increasing temperature and pressure (Figs. 5C and 6C). As in fluid spectra of other  $SiO_2$ -bearing systems, this band is assigned to  $Si-O$  stretch vibrations in isolated  $SiO_4$  groups. However, none of the other bands assigned to  $Si-O$  stretch vibrations of silicate species such as in the spectra of the  $Na_2O$ -free  $ReO_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluids and  $ReO_2$ -free  $Na_2O\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluids were observed in the  $Na_2O\text{-ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluid spectra (Fig. 5). The silicate species in  $Na_2O\text{-ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluids is, therefore, only isolated  $SiO_4$  tetrahedra where both  $H^+$  and  $Na^+$  form bonding with the terminal oxygen in this species.

The complete solution mechanism of rhenate and silicate in  $Na_2O\text{-ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2O$  fluids can then be written as:



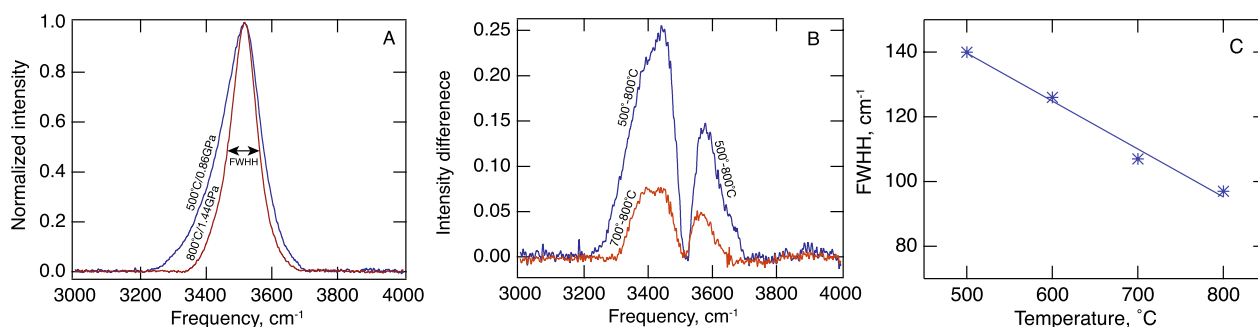
as also illustrated in the structural schematic in Fig. 4E.

### 3.1.2 High-frequency range (3000–4000 $cm^{-1}$ )

The high-frequency range of the Raman spectra of the aqueous fluids, between  $3000$  and  $4000\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , comprises Raman bands assigned to  $O-H$  stretch vibrations from  $H_2O$  molecules and from  $OH$ -groups bonded to cations such as  $Si^{4+}$  and alkali metals, for example (Walrafen et al. 1986; Mysen and Virgo 1986; Le Losq et al. 2011). Bonding of  $OH$ -groups to rhenium cations to form  $Re-OH$  bonds also result in  $O-H$  stretch vibrations that give rise to Raman bands in this frequency range. This Raman intensity envelope, with peak maximum typically between  $3550$  and  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$ , will be referred to as the  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  envelope.

The exact frequency or frequencies of Raman bands assigned to  $O-H$  vibrations in  $OH$  groups bonded to various metal cations depends somewhat on the electronic properties of the metal cation because electronic properties of the metal cation(s) will affect the strength, and, therefore, the frequency of  $O-H$  vibrations of the  $O-H$  bonds. For example, the frequency decreases as the metal cation becomes more electropositive (Mysen and Virgo 1986). Hydrogen bonding also will cause a frequency change (Walrafen et al. 1988, 1999; Frantz et al. 1993; Le Losq et al. 2015).

Quantitative evaluation of various possible  $OH$ -environments based on interpretation of the  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  envelope alone can be challenging, however, because of the often small frequency differences between of individual Raman bands of different  $OH$  stretch vibrations in the



**Fig. 7** Examples of Raman spectra of pure H<sub>2</sub>O in the high-frequency range (3000–4000 cm<sup>-1</sup>) at temperatures and pressures indicated on each spectrum. Spectra are normalized to the same acquisition time and slit width and then normalized to the maximum intensity within each spectrum, **A** 3600 cm<sup>-1</sup> envelope at temperature/pressure conditions indicated on each spectrum. Intensities are normalized to the highest intensity point in each spectrum. **B** Difference spectra relative to 800 °C/1.44 GPa spectrum as indicated by temperature. **C** Evolution of full width at half height as a function of temperature (and pressure—see Fig. 2)

3600 cm<sup>-1</sup> envelope. Temperature and to some degree, pressure, also affect the topology and frequency of the 3600 cm<sup>-1</sup> envelope at least in part because the extent of hydrogen bonding is sensitive to temperature and pressure (Walrafen et al. 1988; Frantz et al. 1993; Kawamoto et al. 2004; Hoffmann and Conradi 1997; Sahle et al. 2013). Hydrogen bonding does, however, diminish rapidly with increasing temperature (Walrafen et al. 1988; Frantz et al. 1993; Foustoukos and Mysen 2012). Signals from hydrogen bonding typically cannot be detected at temperature above about 600–650 °C (Foustoukos and Mysen 2012). Effects of composition on the 3600 cm<sup>-1</sup> envelope topology are not likely, therefore, to be significantly affected by effects of hydrogen bonding because for the most part experiments were conducted and above this temperature.

The high-frequency envelope in the temperature and pressure range of the present experiments (550–900 °C and about 380–1710 MPa) has a single maximum between 3500 and 3600 cm<sup>-1</sup>. This envelope is slightly asymmetric to its low-frequency side of the ~3600 cm<sup>-1</sup> intensity maximum (Figs. 7 and 8). This asymmetry may be because of different metal-OH bonds, hydrogen bonding, or both. The asymmetry also can be observed in spectra of pure H<sub>2</sub>O (Fig. 7A, B), which also illustrate how the abundance of hydrogen bonding decreases with increasing temperature (Frantz et al. 1993; Hoffmann and Conradi 1997; Foustoukos and Mysen 2012). This abundance evolution is reflected in decreasing intensity of O–H vibrations on the low-frequency side of the O–H envelope in the high-temperature spectra of pure H<sub>2</sub>O (Walrafen et al. 1988, 1999; Frantz et al. 1993).

Information on how the high-frequency spectra from Re- and Si-bearing fluid systems respond to temperature and pressure variations was extracted from difference spectra where Raman bands from lower temperature and

pressure were subtracted from those recorded at higher temperature and pressure. These spectra were normalized to the same Raman measurement conditions before subtraction.

Difference spectra for pure H<sub>2</sub>O are illustrated in Fig. 7B. The sharp intensity dip near 3550 cm<sup>-1</sup> in these spectra as well as in those from fluids from the other system reflects the fact that the peak maxima of these envelopes shift to lower frequencies with increasing temperature. Therefore, when subtracting a higher- from a lower-temperature spectrum a negative dip will occur near the intensity maximum of the lower-temperature spectrum.

The latter complication aside, the intensity on the low-frequency side of the high-frequency envelope from pure H<sub>2</sub>O becomes less pronounced the higher the temperature, features that are similar to those originally reported by Walrafen et al. (1988) (Fig. 7B). This spectral evolution also is the primary cause of the decreased full width at half height (FWHH) of this envelope as the temperature is increased (Fig. 7C). This decrease reflects decreasing abundance of hydrogen bonding.

The spectral topologies of the high-frequency envelope from fluids in all systems resemble one another (Fig. 8). The spectra become narrower with increasing temperature (Fig. Fig. 8E, J, M, P). There are, however, differences in detail depending on the specific system considered because the rate of change of FWHH with temperature,  $\partial\text{FWHH}/\partial T$ , differs somewhat in the spectra of the various systems (Fig. 8P, Q). This FWHH change with temperature is emphasized in the difference spectra (Fig. 8B, D, G, I, L, O).

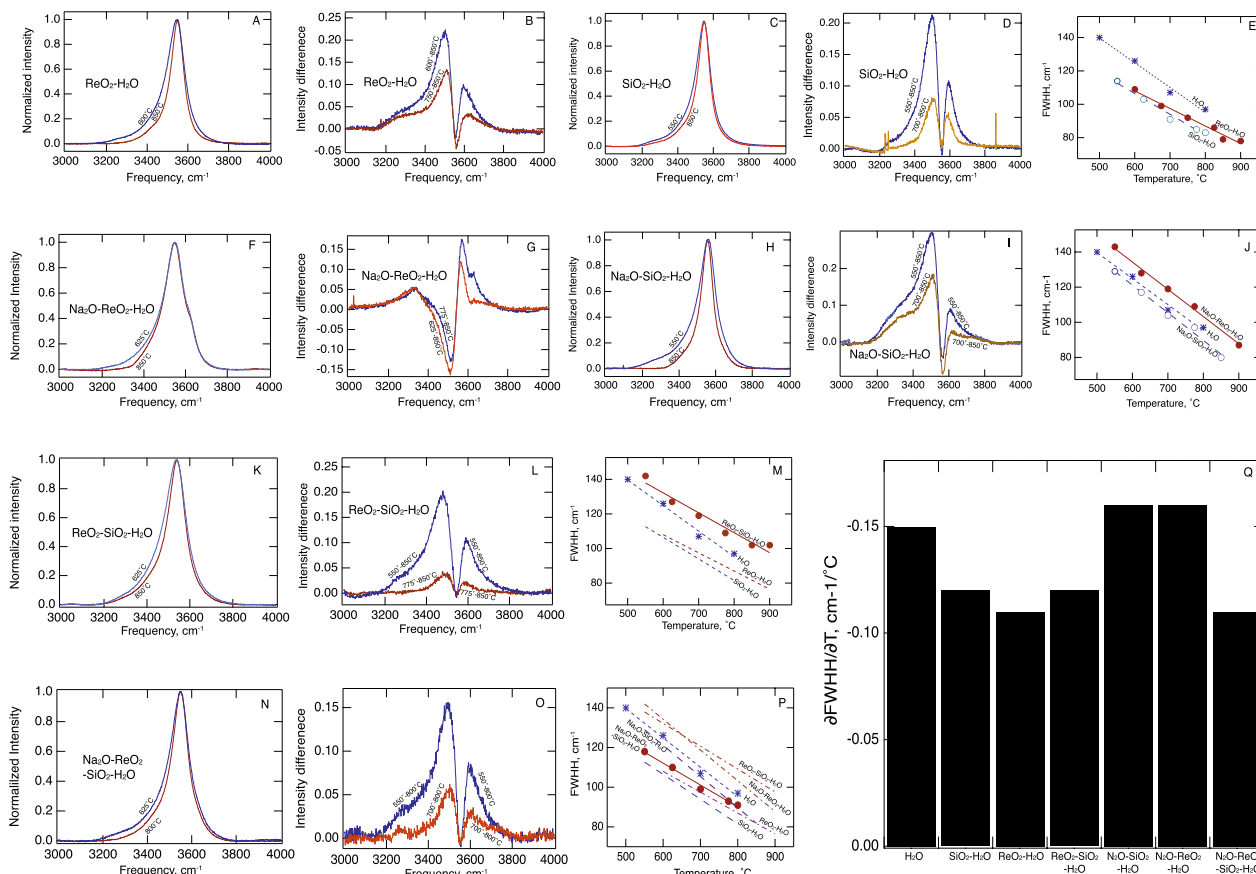
The FWHH of spectra of fluids from the Na<sub>2</sub>O–ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O system is greater than that in the fluid spectra from the Na-free, ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O system (Fig. 8A, E, F, J; see also summary in Fig. 8P). Moreover, the  $\partial\text{FWHH}/\partial T$  of

spectra in the  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{ReO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  system exceeds that of the compositionally simpler and Na-free  $\text{ReO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  system spectra (Fig. 8Q). One might infer that these differences reflect some effect on the OH bond strength of dissolved rhenate complexes when  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  is added to the  $\text{ReO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  system.

To create Re-OH bonding in  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{ReO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  fluids, one or more terminal oxygen in the  $\text{ReO}_4$  tetrahedra is replaced with one or more OH groups and one or more ONa groups. Details of how Na-OH complexes may be linked to rhenate and/or rhenate/silicate structures in the aqueous fluids cannot be inferred from existing information. The  $\text{Na}^+$  might form isolated NaOH groups analogous to the NaOH groups detected from NMR spectra of hydrous  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{SiO}_2$  melts (Cody et al. 2005). However, more complex structures involving, for example,  $\text{Na}^+$

linked to nonbridging oxygen in  $\text{ReO}_4$  groups but also comprising Na-OH bonds, might also be involved.

The latter differences resemble those between the Re-free  $\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  high-frequency spectra (Fig. 8C, D, F, H, I, J). The structural interpretation of those differences spectra likely reflects effects of different O-H bond strength depending on the extent to which the OH-group forms bonding with  $\text{Si}^{4+}$  and  $\text{Na}^+$ . In the  $\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  fluids, there can be only Si-OH bonding. The wider  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  envelope from  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  fluid compared with the spectra of  $\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  fluid is because there is some Na-OH bonding in the  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  fluid. The O-H stretch vibrations from the OH-groups in Na-OH bonds result in Raman bands on the low-frequency side of the  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  envelope (Mysen and Virgo 1986; Mysen 2018).



**Fig. 8** Examples of Raman spectra in the high-frequency range ( $3000\text{--}4000\text{ cm}^{-1}$ ) of fluids in all systems investigated at temperatures indicated on diagrams. Corresponding pressures can be read from Fig. 2. Spectra are normalized to the same acquisition time and slit width and then normalized to the maximum intensity within each spectrum. **A, C, F, H, K, and N.**  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  envelope at temperature conditions indicated on each spectrum. Intensities are normalized to the highest intensity point in each spectrum. **B, D, G, I, L and O.** Difference spectra relative to the spectrum at the highest temperatures as indicated on each graph by temperature of each of the two spectra. Corresponding pressures can be read from Fig. 2. **E, J, M and P.** Full width at half height (FWHH) of the  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  envelopes from fluids in all systems as indicated on individual lines, as a function of temperature. Corresponding pressures can be read from Fig. 2. **Q.** Comparison of temperature-dependence of FWHH from the high-frequency,  $\partial\text{FWHH}/\partial T$ , spectra of all the fluids as indicated in the diagram

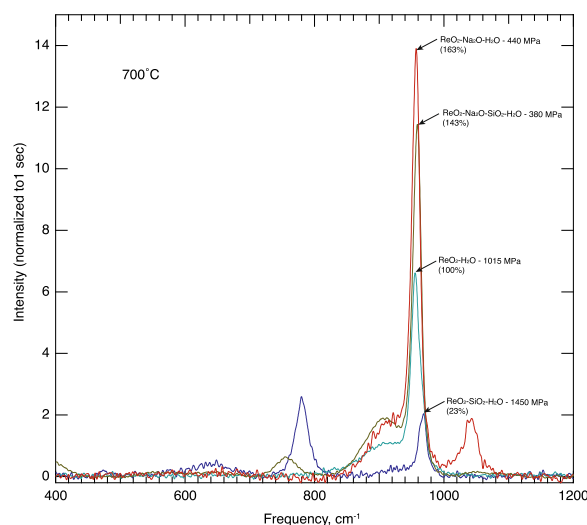
In high-frequency spectra of fluids equilibrated with  $\text{ReO}_2 + \text{SiO}_2$  ( $\text{ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$ ) or  $\text{ReO}_2 + \text{SiO}_2 + \text{Na}_2\text{O}$  ( $\text{Na}_2\text{O-ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$ ), the evolution of their  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  envelopes is affected by the presence of  $\text{SiO}_2$  (Fig. 8K, L, N, O). For example, for  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  fluids, the temperature-dependent asymmetry on the low-frequency side of their  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  Raman intensity envelope is less pronounced than in the  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  envelope in spectra of fluids in the  $\text{SiO}_2$ -free  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  system (Fig. 8A, B, D, G). Moreover, the  $\partial\text{FWHH}/\partial T$  of the  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  envelope in the  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  systems is essentially identical (Fig. 8Q). This similarity may reflect greater abundance of the  $\text{SiO}_2$  components than the  $\text{ReO}_2$  components in the  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  fluid, so that the evolution of the FWHH with temperature is dominated by the width of intensity contributions from OH-groups in Si-OH bonds in both systems. It is unlikely that these effects could reflect hydrogen bonding because at the high temperatures of these experiments, hydrogen bonding cannot be detected in aqueous fluids (Foustoukos and Mysen 2012).

Addition of  $\text{SiO}_2$  to the  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-ReO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  fluids results in  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  envelopes resembling that of fluid in the  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  system (Fig. 8K, N) more than the  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  envelope in the  $\text{NaO-ReO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  spectra (Fig. 8F). This similarity can also be seen in the temperature-dependent FWHH, but this  $\partial\text{FWHH}/\partial T$  differs significantly from the  $\partial\text{FWHH}/\partial T$  of  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-ReO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  (Fig. 8Q). It is also notable that the temperature evolution of the  $3600\text{ cm}^{-1}$  from  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  fluids is significantly different from that of the  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  fluids (Figs. 8H, I, N, O, Q). This may be consistent with Si-OH bonding dominating in both the  $\text{ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{Na}_2\text{O-ReO}_2\text{-SiO}_2\text{-H}_2\text{O}$  fluids.

### 3.2 Species abundance in aqueous fluid

Integrated areas Raman bands from scattering of bonds in species dissolved in fluid, in principle can be transformed to species abundance. This can be done provided that a specified Raman intensity is calibrated against integrated intensity of Raman bands assigned to the same type of vibrations in spectra of a material with similar local structure and with known concentration of the type of bonding under consideration (Mysen 2015, 2018). However, in order for this method to yield reliable results, it is necessary that the optical absorption of the unknown and known materials does not differ.

This method has been applied successfully to abundance measurements of silicate species from Si-O vibrations in  $\text{SiO}_2$ -saturated aqueous fluids in equilibrium with quartz and  $\text{TiO}_2$ -saturated fluid in equilibrium with rutile (Mysen 2015, 2018). The method also has



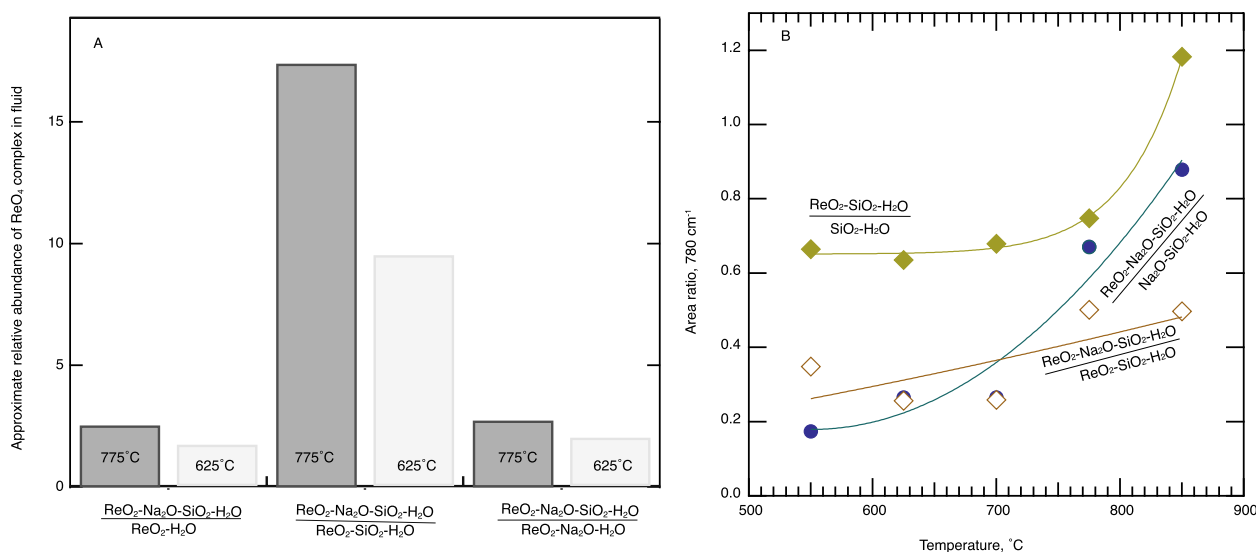
**Fig. 9** Comparison of spectra recorded at  $700\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  of Re-bearing fluids in low-frequency range. The spectrum from each system and corresponding pressure at  $700\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  are indicated on each spectrum. Raman intensities are normalized to the same Raman setup parameters (acquisition time and slit width)

been used to report equilibria between structural units in silica-saturated  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  at high temperature and pressure (Zotov and Keppler 2002; Mysen 2010). However, whenever the speciation changes or other local structural features surrounding a structural complex change, this method cannot be used.

In the present systems, a crystalline material to serve as calibrant for abundance in fluid could be  $\text{ReO}_2$ , for example. However, as seen in Fig. 1, the  $\text{ReO}_2$  crystals are considerably darker than surrounding fluid. These crystals do, therefore, absorb a larger fraction of the incident laser light and a weaker Raman signal will be recorded from the sample than from a clear and colorless sample such as the surrounding aqueous fluids. Quantitative estimates of abundance of dissolved components in fluids in equilibrium with crystalline  $\text{ReO}_2$ , therefore, could not be carried out. As a result, only relative abundance variations from the fluid spectra will be discussed here.

An example of low-frequency Raman spectra from fluids in the four Re-bearing compositions recorded at  $700\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$  (but, therefore, at different pressures) illustrates how the overall composition of a system effects on the integrated intensity of Raman bands assigned to Re-O vibrations (Fig. 9), and, therefore, at least in principle, abundance of Re-components in fluids. Spectra recorded at different temperatures (and pressures) than those shown in Fig. 9 resemble those in Fig. 9.

For the  $960\text{ cm}^{-1}$  band, the intensity at  $700\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ , which is proportional to the abundance of isolated  $\text{ReO}_4$  complexes in fluid in most of the systems under study,



**Fig. 10** **A** Relative abundance of isolated ReO<sub>4</sub> complexes in fluid expressed as ratio of systems and temperatures as indicated on diagram. The relative abundance is equal to the integrated intensity ratio of the 960 cm<sup>-1</sup> Raman band (see text for discussion). The Raman bands are normalized to the same slit widths and acquisition times. Their ratio at the two different temperatures is not corrected for temperature-dependent Raman intensity (Long 1977). However, given the form of the temperature-dependence and the fact that it decreases to the fourth power with increasing Raman frequency (see Long 1977; Mysen et al. 1982b; for detailed discussion of these features), this assumption likely introduces a less than 10% error in individual intensities. Given that the same vibration in similar structural environments enters into this ratio, this error likely cancels out. Relative abundance of isolated SiO<sub>4</sub> complexes in fluid expressed as ratio of systems and temperatures as indicated on diagram. The relative abundance is equal to the integrated intensity ratio of the 780 cm<sup>-1</sup> Raman band assigned to Si–O stretch vibrations (see text for discussion). The Raman bands are normalized to the same slit widths and acquisition times

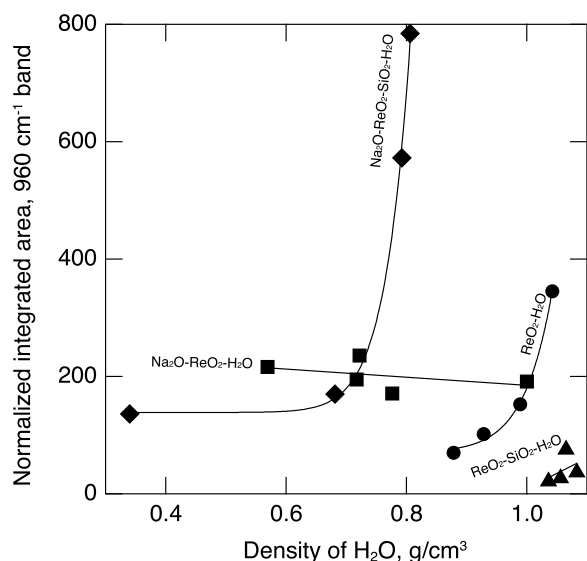
increases from that of the ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluids (referenced as 100%) to as much as 163% for this band in the Raman spectrum of fluid in the Na<sub>2</sub>O–ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O system at the same temperature, but different pressure (Fig. 9). This intensity (and abundance) increase is 143% for the fluids in chemically more complex system, Na<sub>2</sub>O–ReO<sub>2</sub>–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O. It decreases to 23% for the ReO<sub>2</sub>–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O system compared with the spectrum of ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O system (Fig. 9).

The relative Re-species abundance differences illustrated in terms of different Raman intensity in the example in Fig. 9 very likely are near minimum values because the pressures in those 4 systems at 700 °C illustrated in this Figure are different and range from 380 to 1450 MPa for the Na<sub>2</sub>O-bearing systems and from about 1000 to 1710 MPa for the data from fluids in systems without Na<sub>2</sub>O (see exact pressures in Fig. 2 and also attached to each system designation for the 700°C spectra in Fig. 9).

Compared with alkali-free, but SiO<sub>2</sub>-bearing systems, the ReO<sub>2</sub> solubility difference could differ by as much as a factor of 15–16 at temperatures near 800 °C compared to about a factor slightly less than 10 near 600–700 °C (Fig. 10). The solubility difference between the two Na<sub>2</sub>O-bearing systems (Na<sub>2</sub>O–ReO<sub>2</sub>–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O and Na<sub>2</sub>O–ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O) is near 2 at the lowest temperatures to about 3 at the highest temperatures (Fig. 10).

Density of the aqueous fluids has been suggested to be a more appropriate means with which to compare solubility in the fluids in the various systems at temperatures and pressures because density is linked to both temperature and pressure (Kennedy 1950; Burnham et al. 1969; Wagner and Pruss 2002; Sanchez-Valle 2013) and because fluid density has been shown to be a variable that can be correlated oxide solubility in the fluid (Manning 1994; Pokrovski et al. 2005). For example, the rhenium solubility in fluid in the Na<sub>2</sub>O–ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O system can increase by 400–500% between 700 and 900 °C because pressure increases from 770 to 1075 MPa in this temperature range in this system. The H<sub>2</sub>O density increases from ~0.7 to ~0.9 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (Burnham et al. 1969).

The intensity ratio changes of the 960 cm<sup>-1</sup> band with temperature (and pressure) is consistent with the increased Re abundance as the density of aqueous fluid increases. It is also clear, for example, that for the systems where only isolated ReO<sub>4</sub> groups exist in the fluid (ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O, ReO<sub>2</sub>–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O, and Na<sub>2</sub>O–ReO<sub>2</sub>–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O), the relative rhenium concentration in fluid at constant fluid density increases by about an order of magnitude between ReO<sub>2</sub>–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O and ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O and by another approximately order of magnitude from ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluids and Na<sub>2</sub>O–ReO<sub>2</sub>–SiO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluids (Fig. 11). The data for the NaO–ReO<sub>2</sub>–H<sub>2</sub>O fluids differ because in



**Fig. 11** Evolution of the intensity of the  $960\text{ cm}^{-1}$  Raman band assigned to Re–O vibrations in  $\text{ReO}_4$  complexes in the Re-bearing systems as a function of density of pure  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  fluid. In all systems except  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{ReO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , isolated  $\text{ReO}_4$  complexes are the only Re-bearing complexes in the fluid. This means that for those systems, the integrated area, normalized to the same Raman spectroscopic setup, are proportional to the  $\text{ReO}_4$  abundance, keeping in mind, nevertheless, that the temperature range for the data shown in the figure is between 600 and 900 °C. The highest temperatures also correspond to the greatest  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  density because the pressure also increases with increasing temperature and the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  density is more sensitive to pressure than temperature in the temperature and pressure ranges of the experiments. As discussed in the caption to Fig. 9, absent correction for temperature, the proportionality of integrated area and  $\text{ReO}_4$  abundance in the fluid might carry on the order of a 10% uncertainty. Density of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  was calculated with SUPCRT92 (Johnson et al. 1992), modified as described by Foustoukos and Mysen (2012) for expansion of pressures beyond the 500 MPa limit in the original SUPCRT92. The Raman bands are normalized to the same slit widths and acquisition times

this case some of the  $\text{ReO}_2$  in the aqueous solution exists in more polymerized form than isolated  $\text{ReO}_4$  tetrahedra. The integrated intensity of the  $960\text{ cm}^{-1}$  band from those fluids is not, therefore, an appropriate expression of the  $\text{ReO}_2$  solubility in the aqueous fluids.

In order to understand better the role of  $\text{SiO}_2$  in the structural complexes of the solutes in the aqueous fluids, it is instructive to assess the differences in integrated areas of bands assigned to Si–O vibrations in fluids with and without  $\text{ReO}_2$  in the system. As an example, the degree of polymerization of Si–O species in  $\text{SiO}_2$ -bearing, but  $\text{ReO}_2$ -free fluids generally is greater than when both  $\text{ReO}_2$  and  $\text{SiO}_2$  are present

such as  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  compared with  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{ReO}_2-\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , for example. In the  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{ReO}_2-\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  fluids, for all practical purposes there is evidence only for isolated OH-containing  $\text{SiO}_4$  entities (the  $780\text{ cm}^{-1}$  band in those spectra). Even in the latter case, the intensity ratio of the  $780\text{ cm}^{-1}$  band [assigned to Si–O<sup>−</sup> stretch vibrations in  $\text{Si}(\text{OH})_4$  complexes] to that of the simpler  $\text{ReO}_2$ -free  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}-\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  system is only about 0.2 as compared with about 0.6 for the intensity ratio of the  $780\text{ cm}^{-1}$  band,  $\text{ReO}_2-\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{SiO}_2-\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (Fig. 10B).

It follows from these observations that not only does  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}$  affect the structure and solubility of  $\text{ReO}_2$  complexes in aqueous fluids, but  $\text{SiO}_2$  also has an influence on those properties. In all systems, however,  $\text{Si}^{4+}$  and  $\text{Re}^{4+}$  in aqueous fluid remain in fourfold coordination with oxygen.

#### 4 Conclusions

The Re solubility in aqueous fluids can vary by more than an order of magnitude in the temperature–pressure regime of the deep crust and upper mantle because of formation of complexes that also involves chemical interaction with other solutes. The solubility of such Re-bearing complexes is, in particular, dependent on the presence of alkali metals in the fluid. In this respect, the solubility behavior of rhenium in aqueous fluids resembles that of  $\text{Ti}^{4+}$  and  $\text{Zr}^{4+}$  (Antignano and Manning 2008; Hayden and Manning 2011; Wilke et al. 2012, 2013; Mysen 2012, 2015, 2022).

It is likely that the electronic properties of the metal cation in metal oxide-bearing fluids (i.e., alkali metals versus alkaline earth) could also affect Re solubility. In the case of  $\text{SiO}_2$  solubility, for example, increasing electronegativity of the metal cation results in decreased silicate solubility at the same temperature and pressure such as when comparing the effects of  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ , and  $\text{Na}^+$  on solubility of  $\text{SiO}_2$ , for example (Mysen et al. 2013; Mysen 2018).

Aqueous fluids from dehydrating slabs infiltrating overlying peridotite source can trigger partial melting in the peridotite wedge in subduction zones (Peacock 1993; Iwamori 1998; Schmidt and Poli 2014). It follows that the Re/Os budget in subduction zone peridotite affected by such fluids will depend on both the composition of the source of the fluid under which dehydration takes place. Such variations, in turn, can affect the Re–Os isotope systematics of source regions of magma in the Earth’s upper mantle and, therefore, the Re–Os isotope systematics of magma itself.

**Abbreviations**

CCD	Charge-coupled detector
FWHH	Full width at half height
HDAC	Hydrothermal diamond anvil cell
HFSE	High field strength element

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