## **Supplementary Material**

## Specific adsorption of heavy metals in soils: individual and competitive experiments.

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## 1 Table S1

2 Langmuir parameters  $\beta$  (mg kg<sup>-1</sup>),  $K_L$  (L mg<sup>-1</sup>) and R<sup>2</sup> after adsorption and desorption model data

3 adjustment.

|    |            | ADSOR               | PTION           |                | DESORPTION-RETENTION |                  |                |  |
|----|------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------|--|
|    |            | β                   | $K_L$           | R <sup>2</sup> | β                    | $K_L$            | $\mathbb{R}^2$ |  |
| Cu | S1         | $1516.37 \pm 90.88$ | $0.21 \pm 0.04$ | 0.94           | $1714.35 \pm 57.18$  | $1.09 \pm 0.10$  | 0.99           |  |
|    | S2         | $1513.47 \pm 80.19$ | $0.33\pm0.06$   | 0.94           | $1839.10 \pm 44.07$  | $1.00\pm0.06$    | 0.99           |  |
|    | S3         | $1231.75 \pm 105.9$ | $0.05\pm0.01$   | 0.92           | $1332.38 \pm 95.14$  | $0.49\pm0.09$    | 0.96           |  |
|    | S4         | $1329.95 \pm 96.24$ | $0.07\pm0.02$   | 0.94           | $1326.36 \pm 62.17$  | $0.86\pm0.11$    | 0.97           |  |
|    | S5         | $1428.68 \pm 97.50$ | $0.13\pm0.03$   | 0.93           | $1433.01 \pm 102.7$  | $0.74\pm0.16$    | 0.94           |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 6 | $9458.5 \pm 2745.8$ | $0.34\pm0.12$   | 0.98           |                      |                  |                |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 7 |                     |                 |                |                      |                  |                |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 8 | $1655.71 \pm 108.6$ | $0.12\pm0.02$   | 0.94           | $1596.48 \pm 94.13$  | $0.74\pm0.13$    | 0.95           |  |
|    | S9         | $1624.03 \pm 90.92$ | $0.25\pm0.05$   | 0.94           | $1673.58 \pm 97.15$  | $1.20\pm0.21$    | 0.95           |  |
|    | S10        | $1533.06 \pm 90.99$ | $0.33\pm0.07$   | 0.93           | $1674.90 \pm 88.73$  | $1.32\pm0.21$    | 0.96           |  |
|    | S1         | $753.52 \pm 16.73$  | $0.06\pm0.00$   | 0.99           | $354.41 \pm 91.78$   | $0.03\pm0.02$    | 0.82           |  |
|    | S2         | $904.26 \pm 19.47$  | $0.07\pm0.01$   | 0.99           | $823.00 \pm 257.8$   | $0.01\pm0.01$    | 0.94           |  |
|    | S3         | $466.13 \pm 28.67$  | $0.04\pm0.01$   | 0.94           | $302.43 \pm 98.97$   | $0.05\pm0.03$    | 0.74           |  |
|    | S4         | $500.28\pm20.94$    | $0.05\pm0.01$   | 0.97           |                      |                  |                |  |
| Zn | S5         | $583.60 \pm 23.55$  | $0.08\pm0.01$   | 0.97           | $422.98 \pm 139.2$   | $0.03\pm0.02$    | 0.81           |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 6 | $2177.69 \pm 48.68$ | $0.59\pm0.04$   | 0.99           | $2048.05 \pm 54.82$  | $1.19\pm0.08$    | 0.99           |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 7 | $2257.88 \pm 62.14$ | $2.46\pm0.18$   | 0.99           | $2851.01 \pm 195.2$  | $3.00 \pm 0.43$  | 0.97           |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 8 | $632.39\pm28.34$    | $0.04\pm0.00$   | 0.98           | $473.98 \pm 35.37$   | $0.25\pm0.05$    | 0.94           |  |
|    | S9         | $595.50 \pm 24.96$  | $0.04\pm0.01$   | 0.97           | $335.34 \pm 68.59$   | $0.05\pm0.02$    | 0.84           |  |
|    | S10        | $713.59 \pm 19.73$  | $0.06\pm0.01$   | 0.99           | $473.72 \pm 89.34$   | $0.05\pm0.02$    | 0.87           |  |
|    | S1         | $1133.77 \pm 71.87$ | $0.04\pm0.01$   | 0.96           | $1224.59 \pm 65.74$  | $0.19\pm0.02$    | 0.99           |  |
|    | S2         | $1080.50 \pm 58.88$ | $0.06\pm0.01$   | 0.96           | $1180.81 \pm 70.00$  | $0.26\pm0.03$    | 0.98           |  |
| Ni | S3         | $578.81 \pm 32.14$  | $0.02\pm0.00$   | 0.97           | $608.74 \pm 41.26$   | $0.16\pm0.02$    | 0.98           |  |
|    | S4         | $674.31 \pm 32.74$  | $0.04\pm0.01$   | 0.97           | $767.44 \pm 45.47$   | $0.20\pm0.03$    | 0.98           |  |
|    | S5         | $761.46 \pm 35.85$  | $0.04\pm0.01$   | 0.97           | $846.67 \pm 45.25$   | $0.15\pm0.02$    | 0.99           |  |
|    | S6         | $2308.82 \pm 61.21$ | $0.29\pm0.02$   | 0.99           | $2686.54 \pm 57.37$  | $0.69\pm0.03$    | 1.00           |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 7 | $2615.12 \pm 96.31$ | $0.60\pm0.05$   | 0.99           | $2597.76 \pm 196.5$  | $2.65\pm0.44$    | 0.95           |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 8 | $866.14 \pm 60.43$  | $0.02\pm0.00$   | 0.96           | $736.64 \pm 41.89$   | $0.17\pm0.02$    | 0.98           |  |
|    | S9         | $1107.65 \pm 104.9$ | $0.02\pm0.00$   | 0.95           | $820.83 \pm 56.62$   | $0.16\pm0.03$    | 0.97           |  |
|    | S10        | $740.59 \pm 62.36$  | $0.05\pm0.01$   | 0.91           | $647.69 \pm 53.80$   | $0.31\pm0.07$    | 0.92           |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 1 | $2404.63 \pm 87.58$ | $1.60\pm0.14$   | 0.98           |                      |                  |                |  |
|    | S2         | $4390.74 \pm 410.0$ | $0.89\pm0.13$   | 0.98           |                      |                  |                |  |
|    | S3         | $1919.10 \pm 102.3$ | $0.54\pm0.09$   | 0.95           | $2056.14 \pm 99.66$  | $1.68\pm0.22$    | 0.97           |  |
|    | S4         | $1810.05 \pm 89.77$ | $1.41\pm0.24$   | 0.95           | $2442.65 \pm 133.2$  | $2.33\pm0.28$    | 0.97           |  |
| Pb | S5         | $1990.99 \pm 72.81$ | $4.07\pm0.47$   | 0.97           | $2152.52 \pm 143.2$  | $8.61 \pm 1.64$  | 0.93           |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 6 |                     |                 |                | $3255.03 \pm 402.8$  | $6.80 \pm 1.56$  | 0.93           |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 7 |                     |                 |                |                      |                  |                |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 8 | $2118.70 \pm 120.8$ | $1.39 \pm 0.23$ | 0.94           | $2237.04 \pm 66.77$  | $5.37 \pm 0.42$  | 0.99           |  |
|    | S9         | $2166.79 \pm 113.5$ | $1.37 \pm 0.20$ | 0.95           | $2207.69 \pm 107.6$  | $6.15 \pm 0.82$  | 0.97           |  |
|    | S10        | $2293.43 \pm 188.9$ | $2.63 \pm 0.57$ | 0.88           | $2232.84 \pm 118.2$  | $12.85 \pm 1.85$ | 0.96           |  |
| Cr | <b>S</b> 1 | $753.40 \pm 38.61$  | $0.16 \pm 0.04$ | 0.93           | $753.41 \pm 33.91$   | $3.19 \pm 0.46$  | 0.94           |  |
|    | S2         | $758.18 \pm 56.26$  | $0.06\pm0.01$   | 0.92           | $647.85 \pm 32.55$   | $2.25\pm0.41$    | 0.93           |  |
|    | S3         | $574.40 \pm 21.86$  | $0.03\pm0.00$   | 0.98           | $444.42 \pm 30.69$   | $0.16\pm0.03$    | 0.96           |  |
|    | S4         | $448.96 \pm 19.59$  | $0.03\pm0.00$   | 0.98           | $327.88 \pm 13.64$   | $1.01\pm0.16$    | 0.96           |  |
|    | S5         | $858.56\pm35.28$    | $0.04\pm0.00$   | 0.98           | $745.97\pm33.69$     | $0.13\pm0.01$    | 0.99           |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 6 | $2257.96 \pm 198.8$ | $0.01\pm0.00$   | 0.99           | $1422.67 \pm 86.52$  | $0.08\pm0.01$    | 0.99           |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 7 |                     |                 |                | $2556.95 \pm 877.3$  | $0.02\pm0.01$    | 0.97           |  |
|    | <b>S</b> 8 | $944.39 \pm 66.69$  | $0.03\pm0.00$   | 0.96           | $632.40 \pm 39.24$   | $0.27\pm0.05$    | 0.95           |  |
|    | S9         | $897.99 \pm 63.75$  | $0.02\pm0.00$   | 0.96           | $612.57 \pm 33.34$   | $0.17\pm0.02$    | 0.97           |  |
|    | S10        | $1041.21 \pm 58.37$ | $0.04\pm0.01$   | 0.97           | $746.23 \pm 36.25$   | $0.27 \pm 0.04$  | 0.97           |  |

## 5 Table S2

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Competitive desorption results. Parameters derived from Freundlich model fitted with competitive desorption data.

|            | m   | etal 1              | metal 2  |                            |                 |                       |
|------------|---|---------------------|--|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
|            | <b>Competitive DESC</b>                     | <b>RPTION Freun</b> | Competitive DESORPTION Freundlich<br>metal 2 (metal 1) |                            |                 |                       |
|            | metal 1                                     | (metal 2)           |  |                            |                 |                       |
|            | <b>K</b> <i>F</i> - <i>m</i> 1( <i>m</i> 2) | n                   | R <sup>2</sup>   | <b>K</b> F-m2(m1)          | n               | <b>R</b> <sup>2</sup> |
|            | Cu  | u(Zn)               |  | Zn                         | (Cu)            |                       |
| <b>S</b> 1 | $656.75 \pm 25.38$                          | $0.47\pm0.03$       | 0.96   |                            |                 |                       |
| <b>S</b> 6 | $3702.76 \pm 212.55$                        | $1.00\pm0.05$       | 0.96   | $933.78\pm23.83$           | $0.46\pm0.02$   | 0.98                  |
| S7         | $9760.2 \pm 1210.2$                         | $1.19\pm0.07$       | 0.95   | $2066.41 \pm 125.54$       | $0.62\pm0.05$   | 0.89                  |
|            | Cu  | u(Ni)               | Ni(Cu)   |                            |                 |                       |
| <b>S</b> 1 | $637.84\pm21.73$                            | $0.48\pm0.02$       | 0.97   |                            |                 |                       |
| <b>S</b> 6 | $3713.80 \pm 186.52$                        | $1.06\pm0.05$       | 0.97   | $650.84\pm36.66$           | $0.56\pm0.04$   | 0.93                  |
| S7         | $25007.2 \pm 4592.2$                        | $1.65\pm0.11$       | 0.95   | $1205.64 \pm 56.92$        | $0.59\pm0.04$   | 0.91                  |
|            | Cu(Pb)                                      |                     |  | Pb(Cu)                     |                 |                       |
| S1         | $604.66\pm27.26$                            | $0.42\pm0.03$       | 0.94   | $1332.71 \pm 27.08$        | $0.40\pm0.02$   | 0.98                  |
| S6         | $20393.7 \pm 2261.3$                        | $2.00\pm0.08$       | 0.99   | $16136.9 \pm 5642.6$       | $1.37\pm0.19$   | 0.82                  |
| S7         | $30390.7 \pm 6772.9$                        | $1.63\pm0.12$       | 0.94   |                            |                 |                       |
|            | Ст  | u(Cr)               | Cr(Cu)   |                            |                 |                       |
| S1         | $993.83\pm38.24$                            | $0.54\pm0.03$       | 0.94   | $668.53 \pm 48.87$         | $0.40\pm0.04$   | 0.81                  |
| <b>S</b> 6 | $3396.00 \pm 94.28$                         | $1.17\pm0.03$       | 0.99   | $116.43\pm7.60$            | $0.87\pm0.03$   | 0.99                  |
| S7         | $5904.49 \pm 352.04$                        | $1.17\pm0.05$       | 0.98   | $41.39\pm4.59$             | $1.05\pm0.04$   | 0.99                  |
|            | Zı  | n(Ni)               | Ni(Zn)   |                            |                 |                       |
| S1         | $120.43 \pm 06.37$                          | $0.44\pm0.03$       | 0.96   | $184.26\pm12.85$           | $0.33\pm0.04$   | 0.88                  |
| S6         | $1027.37 \pm 19.19$                         | $0.45\pm0.02$       | 0.99   | $845.20\pm28.34$           | $0.44\pm0.03$   | 0.97                  |
| S7         | $2236.81 \pm 79.57$                         | $0.58\pm0.03$       | 0.97   | $1255.21 \pm 21.82$        | $0.52\pm0.02$   | 0.99                  |
|            | Zı  | n(Pb)               | Pb(Zn)   |                            |                 |                       |
| S1         | $154.68 \pm 10.41$                          | $0.43\pm0.03$       | 0.94   | $2611.25 \pm 95.88$        | $0.78\pm0.03$   | 0.98                  |
| S6         | $1509.43 \pm 22.56$                         | $0.67\pm0.02$       | 0.99   | $10658.3 \pm 3582.7$       | $1.24\pm0.20$   | 0.83                  |
| S7         | $3058.48 \pm 334.11$                        | $0.75\pm0.08$       | 0.83   |                            |                 |                       |
|            | Zı  | n(Cr)               | Cr(Zn)   |                            |                 |                       |
| S1         | $224.34\pm14.98$                            | $0.60\pm0.04$       | 0.96   | $541.30\pm27.43$           | $0.31\pm0.03$   | 0.89                  |
| <b>S</b> 6 | $1592.84 \pm 23.59$                         | $0.70\pm0.02$       | 0.99   | $163.71\pm9.57$            | $0.81\pm0.03$   | 0.99                  |
| S7         | $4259.87 \pm 337.28$                        | $0.97\pm0.06$       | 0.94   | $50.90\pm3.23$             | $0.96\pm0.02$   | 0.99                  |
|            | Ni(Pb)                                      |                     |  | Pb(Ni)                     |                 |                       |
| S1         | $192.69\pm23.16$                            | $0.40\pm0.06$       | 0.78   | $2440.12 \pm 105.02$       | $0.69\pm0.04$   | 0.96                  |
| S6         | $937.61\pm37.03$                            | $0.72\pm0.04$       | 0.95   | $20508.0 \pm 10934.6$      | $1.16\pm0.22$   | 0.82                  |
| S7         | $1584.06 \pm 36.46$                         | $0.74\pm0.03$       | 0.80   | $13663.3 \pm 3469.6$       | $0.93 \pm 0.62$ | 0.88                  |
|            | Ν   | Cr(Ni)              |  |                            |                 |                       |
| S1         | $264.36 \pm 13.66$                          | $0.56\pm0.03$       | 0.98   | $600.31 \pm 28.52$         | $0.34\pm0.03$   | 0.91                  |
| S6         | $975.04 \pm 13.04$                          | $0.67\pm0.02$       | 1.00   | $153.8\pm11.55$            | $0.81\pm0.03$   | 0.98                  |
| S7         | $1461.73 \pm 45.33$                         | $0.63\pm0.05$       | 0.96   | $\underline{32.75\pm2.92}$ | $1.06\pm0.03$   | 0.99                  |
|            | Pl  | o(Cr)               | Cr(Pb)   |                            |                 |                       |
| S1         |   |                     |  | $445.73 \pm 17.51$         | $0.59\pm0.03$   | 0.98                  |
| S6         |   |                     |  | $188.70\pm9.74$            | $0.79\pm0.03$   | 0.99                  |
| S7         |   |                     |  | $53.85\pm4.05$             | $1.03\pm0.03$   | 0.99                  |



9 Fig. S1. Single adsorption and desorption curves of Cu by soil samples.



10 Fig. S2. Single adsorption and desorption curves of Zn by soil samples.



11 Fig. S3. Single adsorption and desorption curves of Pb by soil samples.



12 Fig. S4. Single adsorption and desorption curves of Zn by soil samples

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14 Fig. S5. Competitive (coloured) and single (black) adsorption and desorption curves of Cu by soil S1, S6

and S7 samples.



16 Fig. S6. Competitive (coloured) and single (black) adsorption and desorption curves of Zn by soil S1, S6

and S7 samples.



18 Fig. S7. Competitive (coloured) and single (black) adsorption and desorption curves of Pb by soil S1, S6

and S7 samples.