

# ***Interactive comment on “A solar optical hyperspectral library of rare earth-bearing minerals, rare earth oxides, copper-bearing minerals and Apliki mine surface samples” by Friederike Koerting et al.***

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Dear Jeanne Percival,

many thanks for your careful review of our manuscript. I will only comment on some data availability issues raised in your report:

(1) missing link from the data to the ESSDD paper: it is now crosslinked, please apologise the delay and thanks for informing us!

(2) data access barriers: I was very surprised reading this as GFZ Data Services does not put any registration or access requests to their published data. I have tried it again this morning and can directly download and view the geochemical data from aal three data publications (copper bearing: <http://doi.org/10.5880.GFZ.1.4.2019.003>, REE <http://doi.org/10.5880.GFZ.1.4.2019.004> and Apliki: <http://doi.org/10.5880.GFZ.1.4.2019.005>) without any login requests. Could you please described your access problems a little more detailed to avoid these problems in the future? I know that some firewalls are not allowing to access anonymous ftp folders, could this be the reason?

many thanks and best regards,

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