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Author Correction: Reliability of Total Grain-Size Distribution of Tephra Deposits

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This Article contains errors.

Firstly, there is an error in Equation 1.

$$x_0 = \frac{1}{3}\alpha$$

should read:

$$x_0 = K\alpha$$

As a result of the error in Equation 1, the following accompanying definition is also incorrect:

“with $r^2 = 0.9996$ ”

should read:

“ K equals 1.4 with $r^2 = 0.99$ when calculated based on selected TGSDs of Table 1 (i.e. TGSDs which could be fitted by a Rosin-Rammler distribution with a fitting correlation coefficient ≥ 0.99)”

In the Results section:

“In literature, the length scale parameter x_0 (Eq. 8) has been empirically linked with various percentiles of the original distribution²².”

should read:

“In literature, the length scale parameter x_0 (Eq. 8) has been linked with various percentiles of the original distribution²², however, here we estimate it based on the best fit of empirical data.”“For the reasons above, the fitting improves when considering only particles coarser than fine ash ($\leq 5 \phi$; Fig. 4b) or particles with size comprised from lapilli ($< -6 \phi$) to coarse ash ($< -1 \phi$) (Fig. 4c).”

should read:

“For the reasons above, the fitting improves when considering only particles coarser than fine ash ($\leq 4 \phi$; Fig. 4b) or particles with size comprised from lapilli ($> -6 \phi$) to coarse ash ($\leq 4 \phi$) (Fig. 4c).”

The following sentence in the Results should also be omitted:

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“TGSDs can thus be satisfactorily reconstructed only based on the median grain-size of the studied deposit within a given range of the shape parameter l provided by literature data.”

In the Discussion section:

“This implies that even if l is not known, the tails of the distribution can be satisfactorily described by modeling the TGSD by a Rosin-Rammler distribution after empirical estimation of the deposit median grain-size (or x_0) assuming that l lies in the range of most of published TGSDs (0.5–1; Fig. 3).”

should read:

“In case the TGSD is not well fitted by a Rosin-Rammler distribution ($r^2 < 0.99$), the tails of the distribution can be satisfactorily described after estimation of x_0 based on the deposit median grain-size (Eq. 1) assuming that l lies in the range of most of published TGSDs (0.5–1; Fig. 3).”

In the Conclusive Remarks:

“Amongst all tested strategies used to fit particle distributions, the Rosin-Rammler shows the best compromise between fitting capacity (e.g., highest Pearson correlation coefficient) and stability with respect to sampling bias.”

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In the Methods section:

“Similar analyses were also carried out for the Schumann and Mott distributions which are commonly used to model rock fragmentation³¹, but did not provide acceptable fits (Pearson correlation coefficient r^2 are always lower than the models proposed in this paper) and, therefore, are only presented as Supplementary Material.”

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In Figure Legends 4 and 6:

“Pearson correlation coefficient”

should read:

“correlation coefficient”

In the Figure 5 Legend:

“Variability of D versus Pearson correlation coefficient r^2 obtained from the power-law fitting of cumulative number of particles all the TGSDs considered (Eq. 5, Table 1); (a) entire distribution; (b) particles coarser than fine ash (< 0.64 mm); (c) lapilli (64–2 mm) to coarse ash (2–0.063 mm) particles.”

should read:

“Variability of D versus correlation coefficient r^2 obtained from the power-law fitting of cumulative number of particles all the TGSDs considered (Eq. 5, Table 1); a) entire distribution; b) particles coarser than fine ash (> 0.063 mm); c) lapilli (64–2 mm) to coarse ash (2–0.063 mm) particles.”

In Supplementary Information Table S1, the value under column “ x_0 (m)” for row “Hekla 1991” should read 0.00515.

Furthermore, the axes in Figure 3 were incorrectly switched, and the data point mentioned above in Supplementary Table S1 is incorrect in Figure 3. The correct Figure 3 is reproduced below as Fig. 1.

Lastly, Figure 7 is incorrect as a result of the error in Equation 1. The correct Figure 7 is reproduced below as Fig. 2.

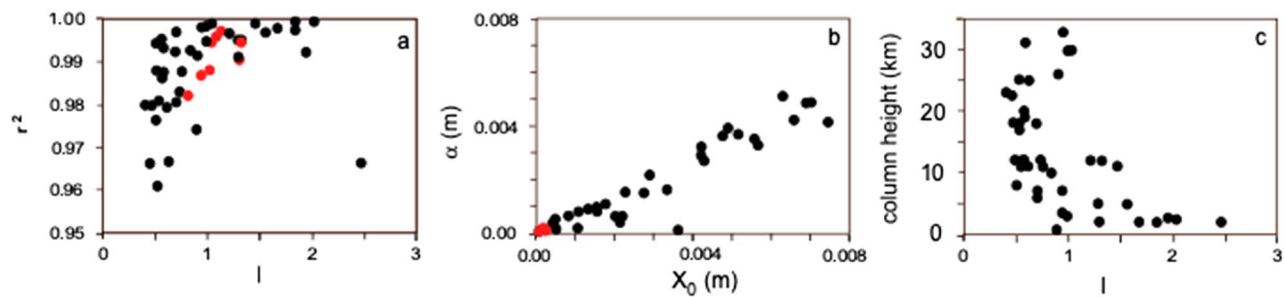


Figure 1. (a) Pearson correlation coefficient r^2 of the Rosin-Rammler distribution fitting vs. l of the studied distributions. (b) Variability of the parameter x_0 of the Rosin-Rammler distribution fitting vs. the empirical median diameter (α) of the studied distributions. The dashed line indicates the best-fit linear correlation between the two parameters. (c) Variability of the parameter l vs. column height of the associated eruptions. Symbols as in Fig. 2.

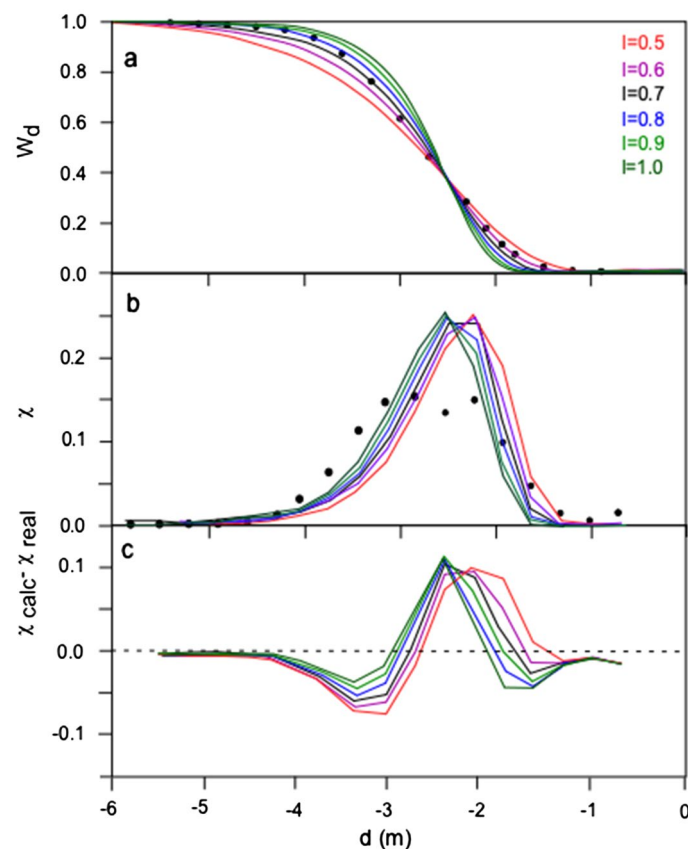


Figure 2. Results of variation of l parameter in the Rosin-Rammler distribution fitting of the 1996 Ruapehu TGSD. (a) Real distribution (black dots) and distribution fitted after fixing the l parameter to 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9, and 1 (colored curves); (b) weight-fraction based (χ) distributions for the same fittings as in (a); (c) residuals (difference of calculated weight fraction χ_{calc} and the empirical weight fraction (χ_{real}) of the distribution fitting, according to the same distribution as in (a). l values are indicated by different colors according to legend of (a). W_d is the weight fraction of particles of diameter smaller or equal to d .



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