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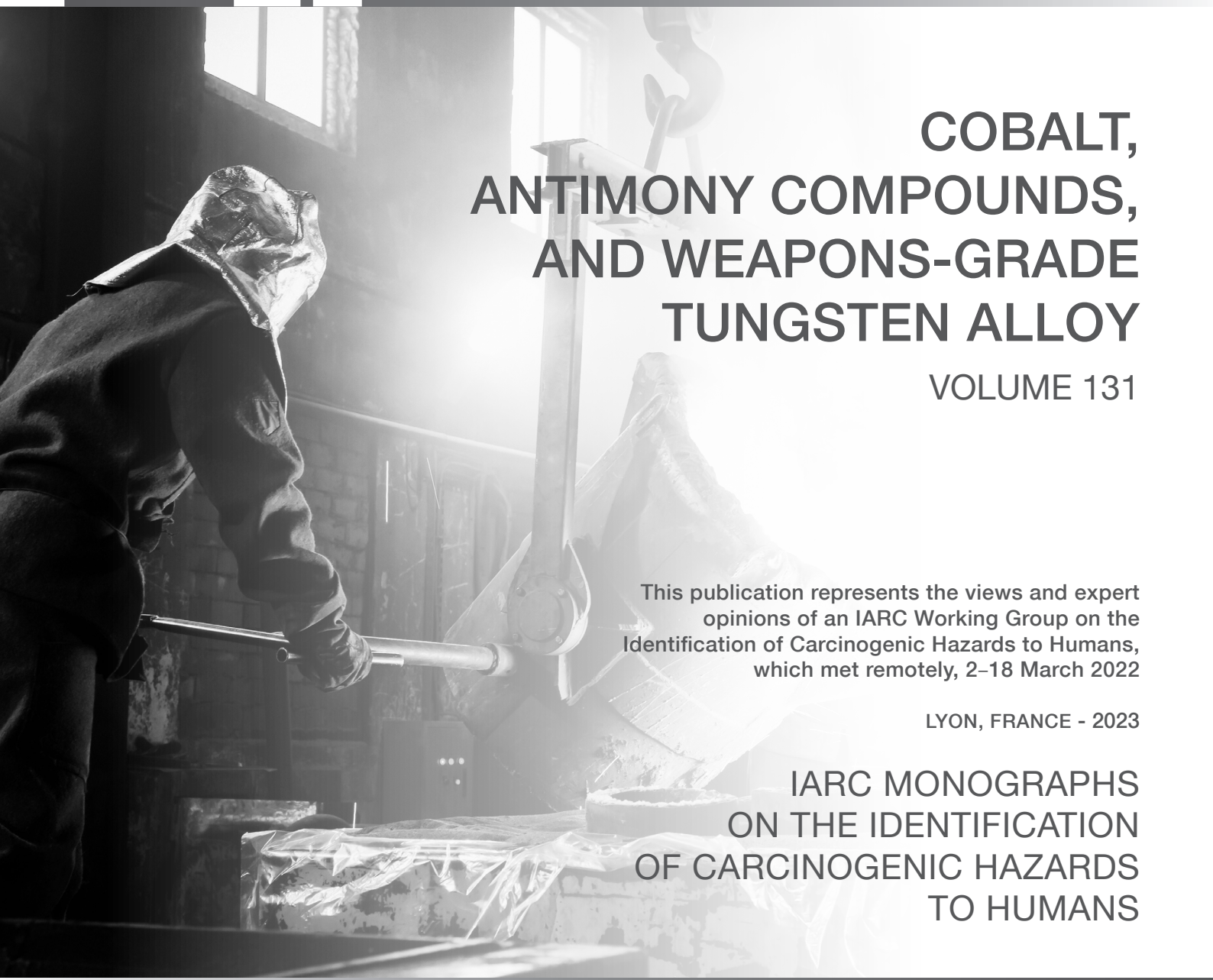

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Table S1.3 Global production of cobalt from mining, by country[a]

Country[b]	Cobalt content (tonnes)					Rate of increase, 2015–2019
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	
Australia	5 721	5 140	5 034	4 878	5 742	0.4%
Botswana	316	248	–	–	–	NC
Brazil	2 771	852	185	–	30	–98.9%
Canada	4 339	4 216	3 704	3 279	3 336	–23.1%
China	2 600	2 300	2 500	2 000	2 500	–3.8%
Cuba	4 000	3 900	3 900	3 500	3 800	–5.0%
Democratic Republic of the Congo	72 000	68 000	80 000	104 000	100 000	38.9%
Finland	440	690	1 000	1 377	1 454	230.5%
Indonesia	1 300	1 200	1 200	1 200	1 100	–15.4%
Madagascar	4 000	3 800	3 600	3 300	3 400	–15.0%
Mexico	–	980	1 000	1 400	1 100	NC
Morocco	1 500	1 600	2 300	2 300	2 300	53.3%
France (New Caledonia)	3 640	3 390	2 780	2 100	1 700	–53.3%
Papua New Guinea	2 505	2 191	3 308	3 275	2 911	16.2%
Philippines	4 300	4 000	4 600	4 750	5 100	18.6%
Russian Federation	6 200	5 500	5 900	6 100	6 300	1.6%
South Africa	3 000	2 300	2 300	2 300	2 100	–30.0%
Türkiye	NA	100	220	259	120	NC
USA	760	690	640	480	500	–34.2%
Viet Nam	277	134	–	–	–	NC
Zambia	1 700	600	990	835	420	–75.3%
Zimbabwe	355	409	445	403	400	12.7%
Total	122 000	112 000	126 000	148 000	144 000	18.0%

–, zero; NC, not calculated.

[a] Figures represent recoverable cobalt content from ores, concentrates, or intermediate products from cobalt, copper, nickel, platinum, or zinc operations.

[b] In addition to the countries listed, Spain may have produced cobalt, but available information was inadequate to make reliable estimates of output. Other copper-, iron (pyrite)-, nickel-, platinum-, or zinc-producing nations may also produce ores containing cobalt as a by-product component, but recovery is small or nil.

Data from USGS (2021).

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