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# **Abstract**

This report presents data from the measurements in the Backfill and Plug Test during the period 99-06-01 to 07-01-01. Water pressure in the rock is measured in 73 points, pore water pressure in the backfill is measured in 33 points, total pressure is measured in 20 points and water pressure in the drainage layers of filter mats is measured in all 12 layers. The water saturation process in the backfill was checked in 57 measuring points before water saturation was reached.

The positions of the measuring points in the backfill are related to the backfill section, the number of the compacted layer, the tunnel axis, and the rock surface. The positions of the measuring points in the rock are related to the backfill section where the hole enters and the measuring section in the borehole.

Water pressure in the mats was increased from about 50 kPa to about 500 kPa during the period 2001-10-03 to 2002-01-21 in order to reach saturation within reasonable time. The increase in water pressure had the intended effect, since the saturation rate increased and all relative humidity sensors seemed to indicate full water saturation in 2003. The conclusion was that the flow testing could start.

Measurement of the water inflow to the neighbouring Demonstration Tunnel (K-tunnel) started 02-09-19 and the results are presented in this report. Also the water flow trough the plug is presented. In order to keep a constant pressure of 500 kPa in the inner part of the tunnel constant water head was applied trough pipes connected to a water surface placed at a 50 meters higher level. This flow is also presented.

In October 2003 the tests to evaluate the hydraulic conductivity of the backfill started by introducing a pressure gradient between the permeable mats over the backfill sections and continuously measure the in and out flow from the mats. The tests continued until the end of August 2005. At the end of 2005 flow measurements in the CT tubes started with the purpose to measure the hydraulic conductivity in situ in single points. These measurements have continued during the first half year of 2006.



# **Sammanfattning**

I denna rapport presenteras data från mätningar i Backfill and Plug Test under period 1999-06-01 till 2007-01-01. Vattentryck i berget mäts i 73 punkter, porvattentryck i återfyllningen mäts i 33 punkter, totaltryck i 20 punkter och vattentryck i permeabla skikt av filtermattor mäts i alla 12 sektioner. Vatteninnehållet i återfyllningen mättes eller indikerades i 57 punkter innan vattenmättnad uppnåtts.

Mätpunkternas positioner anges för återfyllningen i relation till återfyllningssektion, packningslager, tunnelcentrum och bergyta. För mätpunkterna i berget anges återfyllnings-sektion som borrhållet mynnar i, var på bergytan hålet mynnar och mätsektion i borrhålet.

Vattentrycket i mattorna ökades från ca 50 kPa till 500 kPa under perioden 2001-10-03 till 2002-01-21 för att få vattenmättnad i rimlig tid. Tryckökningen hade avsedd effekt, vattenmättnadstakten ökade och vid årsskiftet 2002/2003 så verkade alla psychrometerar indikera full vattenmättnad. Slutsatsen var att flödesmätningarna kunde startas 2003.

Mätning av inflödet av vatten till en närliggande parallell tunnel (DEMO-tunneln) startade 2002-09-19 och resultaten presenteras. Flödet genom pluggen är också redovisat i denna rapport. För att hålla vattentrycket konstant på en nivå av 500 kPa i de inre delarna av tunneln dränerades denna del till en vattenyta placerad 50 m högre. Även flödet från dräneringen redovisas i denna rapport.

Under oktober 2003 startades försöken med att mäta återfyllnadens hydrauliska konduktivitet genom att tryckgradienter skapades mellan mattorna under mätning av in- och utströmmande vatten. Testerna fortsatte till slutet av augusti 2005. Vid slutet av 2005 påbörjades flödesmätningar i ”CT tubes” med syfte att mäta hydrauliska konduktiviteten i enskilda punkter. Dessa mätningar har fortsatt under första halvåret 2006.



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# **1      Introduction**

The installation of the Backfill and Plug Test was made during spring 1999. The different measurements started at different times as the transducers were connected to their data acquisition systems. In this report the data acquired until 2007-01-01 are presented. In general the data in this report are presented in diagrams covering the time period 1999-06-01 to 2007-01-01. The time axis in the diagrams represents days from 1999-06-01 except for the readings from the flow meters.

A test overview with the positions of the permeable sections, the positions of the measuring points and a brief description of the instruments are also included in this report. A quick guide to the positions of all instruments in the backfill that can be unfolded to A3 format is enclosed as the last page. Explanation of denominations is presented in Chapter 4.

General comments concerning the collection of the data are also given.



## 2 Comments

### 2.1 General

In this chapter short comments on general trends in the measurements are given. Sensors that are not delivering reliable data or no data at all are noted and comments on the data collection in general are given.

The thirteenth report covered the period up to 060701. This report is the fourteenth one and covers the results up to 070101, which corresponds to day 2771 on the time axis in the diagrams. The data collection started 990601 (Day 0).

The plug was grouted on June 27 2001 and the water pressure in the permeable mats and in the drained inner part of the drift was increased in steps of 100 kPa to 500 kPa at the following times:

100 kPa: 2001-10-03 (day 854)

200 kPa: 2001-11-14 (day 896)

300 kPa: 2001-11-28 (day 910)

400 kPa: 2001-12-10 (day 922)

500 kPa: 2002-01-21 (day 965)

Since the 30/70 backfill was considered water saturated in 2003 the measurement of suction with Wescor was interrupted in November 2003. The cables were cut and the tubes plugged in order to avoid drainage through the tubes.

After the backfill materials were found to be saturated the tests to measure the hydraulic conductivity of the backfill *in situ* started. By applying a water pressure gradient over two nearby filter mat sections and measure inflow, outflow and pressures in the mats the hydraulic conductivity can be evaluated. These tests are affecting the pore pressure measured in the backfill. In Table 2-1 the changes in the pore pressures made during this test period are shown. The tests continued until the end of August 2005. At the end of 2005 flow measurements in the CT tubes started with the purpose to measure the hydraulic conductivity *in situ* in single points. These tests were finished in autumn 2006 and the pressure cylinder tests started at the end of this reporting period. The results from the measurements with CT tubes and pressure cylinders are not reported.

**Table 2-1. Pressure changes in the permeable mats during the flow testing.**

Time period	Notes
2003-10-29 – 2004-02-22	Tests of the permeable mats and of the hydraulic conductivity in the 0/100 backfill material.
2004-02-23 -- 04-30	The pressures in mats D7 - D11 were set to 450 kPa. The pressures in the rest of the mats were set to 500 kPa
2004-04-30 -- 06-22	The pressures in mats D6 - D11 were set to 400 kPa. The pressures in the rest of the mats were set to 500 kPa
2004-06-22 – 09-22	The pressures in mats D5 - D11 were set to 400 kPa. The pressures in the rest of the mats were set to 500 kPa
2004-09-22 -- 11-09	The pressures in mats D4 - D11 were set to 400 kPa. The pressures in the rest of the mats were set to 500 kPa
2004-09-22 -- 12-21	The pressures in mats D3 - D11 were set to 400 kPa. The pressures in the rest of the mats were set to 500 kPa
2004-12-21 – 2005-02-10	The pressures in mats D2 - D11 were set to 400 kPa. The pressure in mat D1 was set to 500 kPa
2005-02-10 – 03-22	The pressures in mats D7 - D11 were set to 500 kPa. The pressures in the rest of the mats were set to 400 kPa
2005-03-22 – 04-29	The pressures in mats D6 - D11 were set to 500 kPa. The pressures in the rest of the mats were set to 400 kPa
2005-04-29 – 05-18	The pressures in mats D5 - D11 were set to 500 kPa. The pressures in the rest of the mats were set to 400 kPa
2005-05-18 – 06-09	The pressures in mats D4 - D11 were set to 500 kPa. The pressures in the rest of the mats were set to 400 kPa
2005-06-09 – 07-01	The pressures in mats D3 - D11 were set to 500 kPa. The pressures in the rest of the mats were set to 400 kPa
2005-07-01 – 08-16	The pressures in mats D2 - D11 were set to 500 kPa. The pressures in the rest of the mats were set to 400 kPa
2005-08-16 –	The pressures in all mats were set to 500 kPa.

## 2.2 Total Pressure, Glötzl

Data are presented on pages 33-34.

After repairing the Data Acquisition System (DAS) it was re-installed day 1061. The reason for the breakdown was most probable that saltwater leaked through tubes from two gauges and into the oil tank of the oil pump. The salt corroded the oil pump and caused it to break down. The leaking gauges U1 and U3 were located and plugged.

The automatically registration of the values from the transducers failed after about 1300 days. During a period of about 200 days no measurements were saved. After this period the data from the transducers are read and saved manually. The manually read and stored values yield more scatter than the previous saved values.

As an effect of the increase in saturating water pressure the registered total pressure increased accordingly.

All pressure cells worked well (except for P58 that has never been connected to the DAS and P59 that was disconnected after the first DAS breakdown) until about a year ago when the measurements yielded unrealistic results. These results are not reported.

## **2.3 Total pressure, Roctest**

Data are presented on page 35.

All cells seem to deliver reliable data except P3 and P51. P3 has stopped working. Sensor P51 yields values below zero between day 910 to day 1300, and after that lower value than the rest of the sensors, indicating unreliable data. The same trends can be observed as for the Glötzl cells; higher pressure is registered in the B section. All sensors in section B, except for P61 that has increased from 500 to 800 kPa and P51, have been stable ever since the increase in saturating water pressure to 500 kPa. At day ~2080 most of the sensors both in section A and B show a drop in the total pressure of about 80 kPa. The drop in pressure is probably caused by the reduction in water pressure made in the inner section (section 0) and in the mats in section A of about 100 kPa. Since also the sensors placed in section B have reacted the measurements indicate that a hydraulic connection between the inner section and section B is present. The sensors in section A yield a total pressure that is very similar to the applied water pressure.

## **2.4 Suction, Wescore Psychrometers**

Data are presented on pages 36-39.

The measurement of suction was ended in November 2003 since the backfill was considered water saturated. The cables were cut and the tubes plugged in order to avoid drainage through the tubes.

## **2.5 Resistivity, resistivity probe**

Data are presented on pages 40-41.

The purpose of using resistivity probes is to measure change in water content and to indicate when the bentonite free backfill (0/100) is saturated. Seven of the nine probes were installed in the bentonite free backfill and the other two were installed in section A6. The probes were not originally designed for the 30/70 backfill. It has not been possible to evaluate the readings from the two probes placed in this material and the data from these are not presented.

The effect of the stepwise increase in water pressure is registered as a decrease in resistivity, which indicates that the 0/100 backfill was not completely water saturated before the pressure increase. All curves but W78 have reached the resistivity 10-30 Ωm, which correspond to full saturation. The measurements have been concluded.

## **2.6 Indication of saturation, CT tube**

No water came through the 8 tubes placed in the 30/70 backfill and they were plugged when the flow tests started. In the 0/100 backfill all CT tubes have carried water all the way to the measuring house and have been plugged.

## **2.7 Pore water pressure in backfill, Glötzl**

Data are presented on pages 42-45.

After repairing the data acquisition system it was re-installed (day 1061) and has been working well with manual reading since day 1500. U1 and U3 have been disconnected and plugged since they leaked water to the Data Acquisition System. The manually stored values yield more scatter than the previous saved values and are measuring slightly higher pressures than the applied water pressures in the permeable mats.

Due to malfunction about a year ago the measurements have been concluded.

## **2.8 Pore water pressure in the backfill, Druck**

Data are presented on pages 46 and 47.

The principle of this measurement is that water is lead through a tube from the test volume to a Druck transducer in the measuring house and the pressure measured.

So far water has come through from measuring points U13, U52, U5 ,U22 and U23 in the 30/70 backfill (no water in 3 out of 8 points) and from all points in the 0/100 backfill. There are also two measuring points among the blocks and pellets in section B6. One of these transducers started to yield values (U60) at about day 1700 the other one (U59) at about day 2560.

The pressure readings from the Druck transducers are related to the Z co-ordinate of the transducer in the measuring house. They are placed 0.5 – 1.5 m. below the centre point of the tunnel.

At day ~2080 most of the sensors both in section A and B indicate a drop in the total pressure of about 100 kPa. The drop in pressure is caused by the reduction in water pressure made in the inner section (section 0) and in the mats in section A of about 100 kPa. Since also the sensors placed in section B have reacted the measurements are indicate that a hydraulic connection between the inner section and section B is present. A sudden inexplicable increase in pressure with 100 kPa by sensor U56 placed at the rock surface in section B is noted at day ~2500

## **2.9 Water flow into permeable sections**

This data is not relevant any more since the flow meters are used for evaluation of the hydraulic conductivity in the flow tests.

## **2.10 Water pressure in permeable mats, Druck**

Data are presented on pages 48 and 49.

The pressures in the permeable layers are measured in the tubes leading to the centre positions of the centre mats. The pressure is related to the Z co-ordinate of the Druck pressure transducers in the measuring house. This corresponds well with the Z co-ordinate of the centre line of the tunnel. Since the tunnel is slightly inclined the centre point is about 3 dm above the level of the Druck sensors in D1 and about 1 dm below the sensors in D10.

These tubes are now directly connected to the outside pressure regulators.

## **2.11 Water flow past the plug**

Data are presented on page 50.

The water is collected in a sump outside the plug. Once a day the water is pumped from the sump through a flow meter and the volume and time is registered.

The measurement of water flow past the plug started 02-10-08 (day 860). At this time the water pressure behind the plug was 100 kPa. Each time the water pressure behind the plug was increased the flow past the plug increased substantially only to, in a short time, decrease to a level close to the one before the pressure increase. The flow past the plug was about 0.02 l/min when the pressure behind the plug was 100 kPa. When the pressure was raised to 500 kPa the flow past the plug increased to 0.05 l/min and has since decreased at a slow rate. The flow past the plug was stabilized at 0.010-0.015 l/min for a long time but has recently been further reduced.

## **2.12 Water flow from the inner part of the drift**

Data are presented on page 51.

The water flow from the inner drainage material is measured. In order to keep the water pressure at a constant level one of the tubes leading water from the inner part of the drift is led higher up in the tunnel to an open vessel so that the difference in elevation together with the flow resistance in the pipe amounts the desired water pressure (500 kPa). From the open vessel the water is led through a flow meter and the volume and time is registered. The decrease in the outflow around day 1650 is due to the fact that the open vessel was moved upwards in the tunnel in order to achieve a higher water pressure in the inner part (500 kPa). The increase in the outflow from the inner section at day ~2080 is caused by a decrease in the pore pressure to about 400 kPa by moving the vessel downwards in the tunnel.

Only one measurement has been done during the last half year.

## **2.13 Water flow into neighbouring drifts**

The measurement of water flow into the neighbouring Demonstration drift started 02-09-19 and is presented on page 52. The north wall of the Demonstration drift borders on the Backfill and Plug Test drift.

## **2.14 Water pressure in the rock, Druck**

Data are presented on pages 53-68.

The pressure in the bore holes ranges from 0 to 3300 kPa. The highest pressures are found in the long boreholes. The pressure in the short bore holes in general range from 0 to 600 kPa. The exception is UR63 (left wall in section A1) that shows a pressure of 1600 kPa.

It is interesting to study the reaction of the water pressure increase in the mats on the measured pressure in the boreholes. All short boreholes in the floor yield immediate response and thus have a direct connection with the tunnel except for UR42, which is situated in the carefully blasted part (section 0). Most of the short boreholes in the roof and walls of the tunnel also yield a quick response to the pressure increase/decrease in the tunnel.

Some sensors, (UR5, UR7, UR128 and UR168) seem to have stopped working during longer periods of up to 300 days and then started to function again.

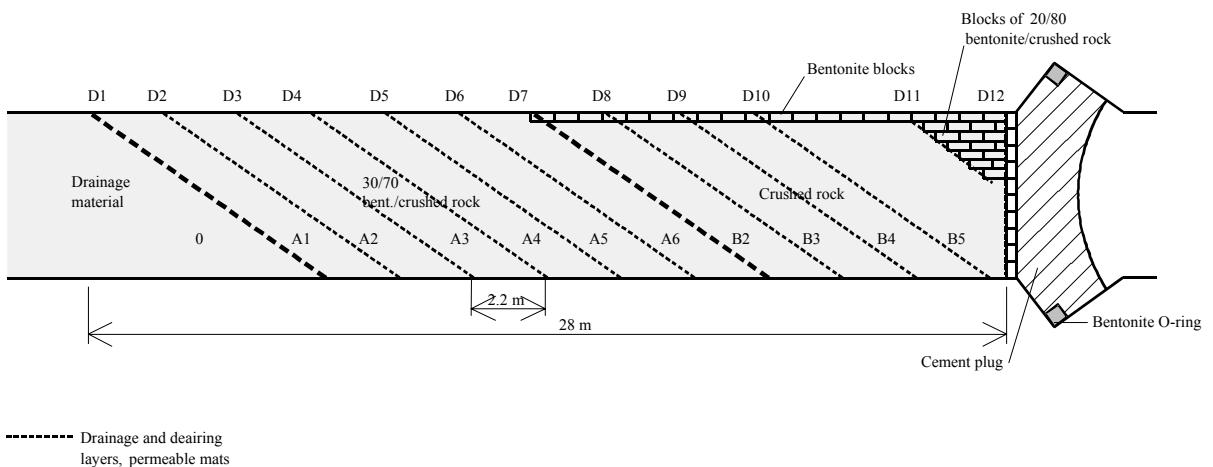
### 3 Geometry

The backfilled part is divided into backfill sections separated by drainage layers of permeable mats. The backfill sections are named 0, A1-A6 and B2-B6 and the mats are named D1-D12 according to Fig 3-1.

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##### Layout of the test

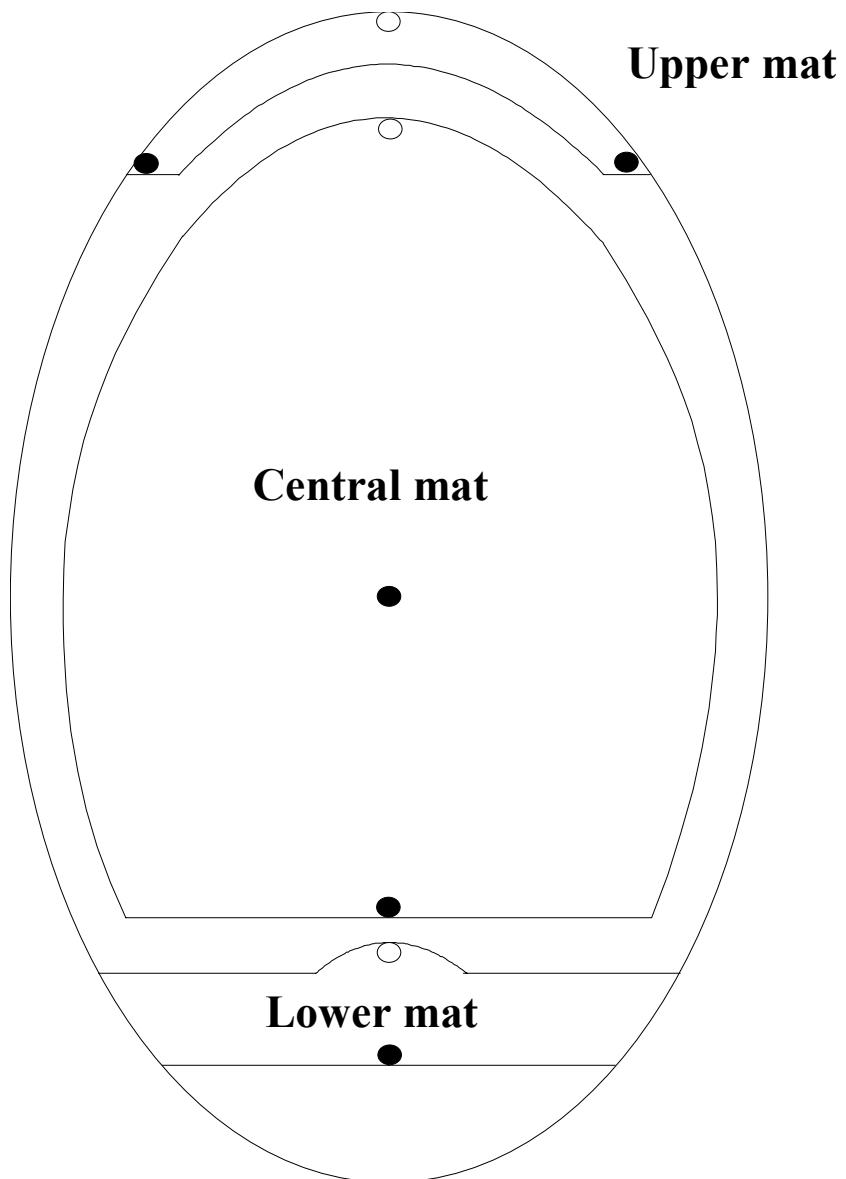
##### Numbering of backfill sections and permeable mats



**Figure 3-1.** Numbering of backfill sections and drainage layers (permeable mats).

The permeable mats have been placed according to Fig 2-2. If the tunnel is supposed to be cylindrical the sections are elliptical with the large axis 8.7 m and the small axis 5.0 m. The tunnel axis is made the centre of a co-ordinate system with  $x$  and  $y$  co-ordinates. The drainage layer is divided into 3 parts with one upper, one central and one lower filter.

- The upper filter starts at  $y=3.3$  m and fills the tunnel above that level. At the contact with the rock 0.2 m of filter mat is folded and attached to the rock surface in order to have a good hydraulic interaction with the rock.
- The central filter is placed at  $-2.5 < y < 3.0$  and  $-2.2 < x < 2.2$  as shown in Fig 3-2. The central filters have at least 0.3 m distance to the walls otherwise it has been cut to fulfil that demand.
- The lower filter has been placed between  $y=-2.8$  and the floor with 0.2 m folded and attached to the floor. Since the floor is horizontal the ellipse is cut at about  $y = -3.85$ .



**Figure 3-2.** Location of the filters in a drainage layer.

Drainage layer D01 and D11 does not reach the floor. The central filter is cut 0.3 m from filter D12. Drainage layer D12 is made as the circular projection of the other drainage layers.

## **4 Location of instruments in the backfill**

### **4.1 Brief description of the instruments**

The different instruments that are used for measurements in the backfill are briefly described in this chapter.

#### **4.1.1 Measurement of total pressure in the backfill**

Total pressure is the sum of the swelling pressure (or effective stress) and the pore water pressure. It is measured with the following two instrument types:

- Glötzl total pressure cells of the hydraulic type. Two models have been used: E 10/20 KF 50 VA24 model A (Glötzl A) and model F (Glötzl B). The measuring range is 0-5 MPa. Type A is used for measurement in the soil while type B will be fixed to the rock surface with concrete. 9 cells of type A and 4 cells of type B are installed.
- Roctest total pressure cell with vibrating wire transducer model TPC-0 (0-4 MPa). 8 cells of this type are installed in the backfill.

#### **4.1.2 Measurement of pore water pressure in the backfill**

The pore water pressure in the backfill is measured with the following two instrument types:

- Glötzl pore pressure cells of the hydraulic type. 18 pore pressure cells of model P4 S 50L VA with the measuring range 0-5 MPa are installed.
- Filter tips connected to Druck pore water pressure cells model PTX 1400 with tecalan tubes. The pore water pressure cells are located outside the test area. 16 devices with the measuring range 0-4 MPa are installed.

#### **4.1.3 Measurement of the water saturation process in the backfill**

The water saturation process is followed by the following three different techniques:

- Wescor psychrometers model PST-55. These devices measure the relative humidity in the pore system, which can be converted into water ratio or total suction (negative water pressure). The measuring range is 95.5-99.6 RH corresponding to the pore water pressure -0.5 to -6 MPa or the water ratio 11-25% of backfill with the composition 30/70 bentonite/ballast mixture. 27 psychrometers have been installed.
- Resistivity probes developed and built by Clay Technology and the University of Lund are used in the bentonite free backfill. The measuring principle is to apply an electrical current between two outer electrodes with the relative distance 30 cm and measure the drop in potential between two inner electrodes

with the relative distance 10 cm. The devices have been calibrated for different densities and water ratios of the backfill intended to be used. The measuring range is water ratios between 5 and 12%. 10 devices are installed.

- Filter tips connected to thin tecalan tubes. These filters, which mainly have been installed in the bentonite free backfill, are simple devices for indicating when water saturation has occurred in the measuring point.

#### 4.1.4 Measurement of temperature

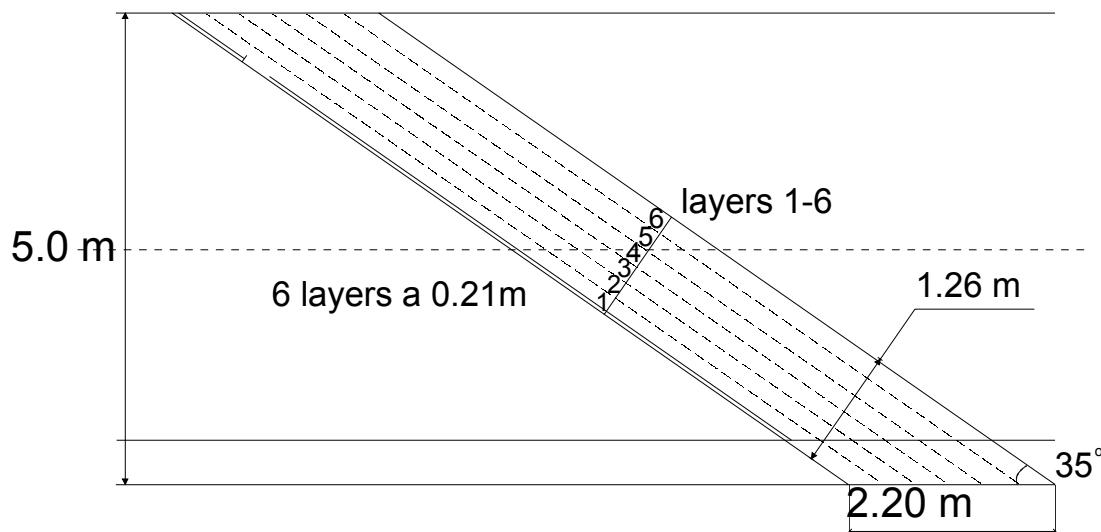
Since no heat is generated in the experiment, temperature can be measured in two points for the purpose of general information. Thermocouples of type K from Heraeus Electro-Nite AB have been used. Temperature can also be measured by the psychrometers and by the devices for measuring hydraulic conductivity installed by Aitemin (ENRESA).

#### 4.1.5 Other measurements

After water saturation local hydraulic conductivity will be measured in section A4 with devices developed and installed by Aitemin in 13 points. The sensors also register the pore water pressure.

### 4.2 Strategy for describing the position of each device

Each instrument is named with a short unique name consisting of 1-2 letters describing the type of measurement and 1-3 figures numbering the device. In addition to the name a short description of the position is added.



**Figure 4-1.** Subdivision of a backfill section into backfill layers.

The sections, separated by drainage layers, were shown in Fig 1-1. Sections A1-A6 and B2-B4 are divided into 6 layers with the thickness 0.21 m according to Fig 4-1. Each layer corresponds to one compaction sequence, which means that the backfill will be placed with a thickness before compaction that yields a thickness after compaction of 0.21 m. The layers are numbered 1-6.

The instruments have been placed in the layers after compaction and are related to those layers. Each measuring point is also defined by the co-ordinates in the layer in a co-ordinate system equal to the one shown in Fig 4-2. The  $x$ -coordinate is the horizontal distance from the centre of the tunnel and the  $y$ -coordinate is the distance perpendicular to the  $x$ -axis. Some of the instruments are more important to place at a specified distance from the rock surface. For those cases the co-ordinate begins with the letter R and is given the co-ordinate with the intersection with the rock surface as centre. An instrument in the backfill will thus be named in the following way:

1. Type of measurement (1 letter)
2. Serial number (1-2 figures)
3. Section (1 letter, 1 figure)
4. Layer (1 figure)
5.  $x$ -coordinate
6.  $y$ -coordinate

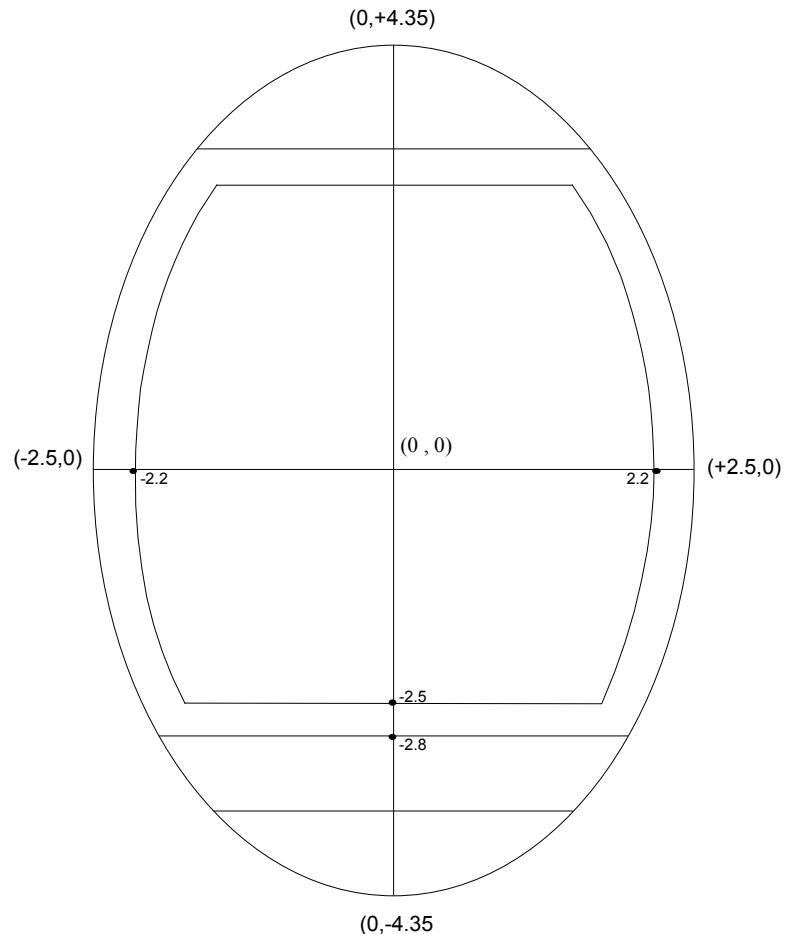
Items 1 and 2 identifies the device and items 3-6 describes the location. A pore water pressure transducer (number 8) located in section A2, layer 3, 0.5 m left of the centre line and 0.3 m below the roof in the  $y$ -direction will be named:

W8 (A2/3/-0.5/R-0.3)

## Instrument locations

Sections A & B

Layers 1-6



**Figure 4-2.** Co-ordinate system for measuring point in each sections and layers.

### 4.3 Position of each instrument in the backfill

All instruments are placed in layers 1-4 in order to leave the two upper layers unaffected by transducers and cables. Another reason is that the entrance plate where the tubes are attached to the through connections are placed in layers 1-4, which means that the two final layers could be compacted without considering the problems of compacting around the through connections.

The positions of the instruments (the positions of ENRESA's hydraulic conductivity devices are shown on page 64) are described in Tables 4-1 to 4-4.

**Table 4-1. Numbering and position of instruments for measuring total pressure.**

Type and number	Section	Layer	X	Y	Fabricate	Remarks
P1	A3	1	0	R+0.2	Glötzl A	Horizontal
P2	A1	5	0	R-1.1	Glötzl A	Parallel
P3	A2	3	0	0,6	Rocktest	Parallel
P4	A2	3	0	R+0.65	Rocktest	Parallel
P5	A2	1	0	R-0.2	Rocktest	Parallel
P6	A2	6	0	-3,15	Glötzl A	Horizontal
P7	A4	3	0	R-0	Glötzl B	At rock
P8	A4	3	0	R+0	Glötzl B	At rock
P9	A5	3	0	R-0.2	Glötzl A	At rock
P51	A6	3	0	R-0.3	Rocktest	Under blocks
P52	B2	3	0	R-0	Glötzl A	Under blocks
P53	B2	3	0	0,2	Glötzl B	Horizontal
P54	B2	6	0	-2,78	Rocktest	Horizontal
P55	B3	3	0	0,3	Glötzl A	Parallel
P56	B3	3	0	R+0.65	Glötzl A	Parallel
P57	B2	7	0	R+1.1	Rocktest	Parallel
P58	B4	3	0	R-0	Glötzl A	Under blocks
P59	B3	5	0	R-1.1	Glötzl A	Parallel
P60	B4	1	0	R-0.2	Rocktest	Parallel
P61	B6	10	0	R-0	Rocktest	Between blocks
P62	B6	10	0	P	Glötzl B	At wall

**Table 4-2. Numbering and position of instruments for measuring pore water pressure (U).**

Type and number	Section	Layer	X	Y	Fabricate	Remarks
U1	A1	3	0	0,3	Glötzl	
U2	A1	3	0	3,1	Glötzl	
U3	A1	3	0	-2,6	Glötzl	
U4	A1	3	2	0	CT Tube + Druck	Twin tubes
U5	A1	3	-2	0	CT Tube + Druck	Twin tubes
U6	A2	1	0	0,3	Glötzl	
U7	A2	6	0,2	3,15	Glötzl	
U8	A3	1	0,25	-2,8	Glötzl	
U9	A1	5	-0,2	R-1.1	Glötzl	
U10	A2	3	0	0,3	Glötzl	
U11	A2	3	-0,2	R+0.65	Glötzl	
U12	A2	3	1,3	0	CT Tube + Druck	
U13	A2	3	-1,3	0	CT Tube + Druck	
U14	A2	6	-0,15	-0,1	Glötzl	
U15	A2	1	-0,2	R-0.2	Glötzl	
U16	A4	3	0	0,3	Glötzl	
U17	A4	3	0	R-0	Glötzl	
U18	A4	3	0	R+0	Glötzl	
U19	A4	3	R-0	0	Glötzl	
U20	A4	3	R+0	0	Glötzl	
U21	A5	3	0	0,3	Glötzl	
U22	A5	3	1,3	0	CT Tube + Druck	Twin tubes
U23	A5	3	-1,3	0	CT Tube + Druck	Twin Tubes
U24	A5	3	-0,2	R-0.2	Glötzl	
U51	A6	3	-0,2	R-0.3	CT Tube + Druck	Under the Blocks
U52	A6	3	-0,2	-2	CT Tube + Druck	Twin Tubes
U53	B3	1-2	0	R+0.05	CT Tube + Druck	
U54	B2	5	-0,2	R+0.2	CT Tube + Druck	marked as w66
U55	B2	6	-0,2	R+0.65	CT Tube + Druck	marked as w63
U56	B4	3	0	R-0	CT Tube + Druck	
U57	B3	5	-0,2	R-1.1	CT Tube + Druck	
U58	B4	1	-0,2	R-0.2	CT Tube + Druck	
U59	B6	10	0	R-0.05	CT Tube + Druck	
U60	B6	10	0	R-C-C	CT Tube + Druck	Twin Tubes

**Table 4-3. Numbering and position of instruments for measuring water content (W).**

Type and number	Section	Layer	X (m)	Y (m)	Fabricate	Remarks
W1	A1	1	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W2	A1	3	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W3	A1	5	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W4	A2	1	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W5	A2	3	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W6	A2	4	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W7	A3	1	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W8	A3	3	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W9	A3	3	0	2,5	CT Tube	
W10	A3	3	0	R-0.5	Wescor Psychrometer	
W11	A3	3	0	-2	CT Tube	
W12	A3	3	0	R+0.5	Wescor Psychrometer	
W13	A3	3	1,2	0	CT Tube	
W14	A3	3	R-0.3	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W15	A3	3	-1,2	0	CT Tube	
W16	A3	3	R+0.3	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W17	A3	4	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W18	A4	1	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W19	A4	3	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W20	A4	4	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W21	A5	1	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W22	A5	3	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W23	A5	3	0	2.5	Wescor Psychrometer	
W24	A5	3	0	-2	Wescor Psychrometer	
W25	A5	4	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W51	A6	1	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W52	A6	3	0	0	CT Res. Probe	
W53	A6	3	0	R-0.4	Ct Tube	
W54	A6	3	0	-2	Ct Tube	
W55	A6	3	-1,3	0	Ct Tube	
W56	A6	3	1,3	0	Ct Tube	
W57	A6	4	0	0	CT Res. Probe	
W58	B2	1	0	0	CT Res. Probe	
W59	B2	3	0	0	CT Res. Probe	
W60	B2	3	0	2,5	Ct Tube	
W61	B2	3	0	R-0.3	Ct Tube	Under the Blocks
W62	B2	3	0	-2	Ct Tube	
W64	B2	3	-1,3	0	Ct Tube	
W65	B2	3	1,3	0	Ct Tube	
W67	B3	1	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W68	B3	3	0	0	CT Res. Probe	
W69	B3	3	0	R-0.3	CT Tube	Under the Blocks
W70	B3	3	1,3	0	CT Tube	
W71	B3	3	-1,3	0	CT Tube	
W72	B3	4	0	0	CT Res. Probe	

W73	B4	1	0	0	CT Res. Probe	
W74	B4	3	0	0	CT Res. Probe	
W75	B4	3	1,3	0	CT Tube	
W76	B4	3	-1,3	0	CT Tube	
W77	B5	2	0	0	Wescor Psychrometer	
W78	B5	5	0	0	CT Res. Probe	
W79	B5	8	0	2	CT Res. Probe	
W80	B5	8	2	2	Ct Tube	
W81	B5	8	-2	2	Ct Tube	
W82	B5	11	0	2	Ct Tube	
W83	B6	5	0	R-C-C	Wescor Psychrometer	
W84	B6	15	0	R-C-C	Wescor Psychrometer	

## **5 Location of instruments in the rock**

### **5.1 Brief description of the instruments and the packers**

Only water pressure is measured in the rock. The measurements are made in core-drilled boreholes sealed with bentonite packers with the following measuring technique:

Tecalan tubes from the packer are connected to Druck pore water pressure cells model PTX 1400. The pore water pressure cells are located in the measuring house. Measurements are made in 79 borehole sections (measuring range 0-4 MPa).

Measurements are made in 1-3 sections in the boreholes. Most of the holes are only 1 m long with 1 packer installed in the outer 0.5 m. Two tubes are lead into each measuring section for de-airing purpose. The measuring sections are sealed with packers with bentonite rings surrounded by rubber sealings.

### **5.2 Position of each measuring section**

The measuring sections are identified with two letters and 2-3 figures. The letters are U (for pore water pressure) and R (for rock). The numbers are given in the following way:

Short holes in roof: 1-12

Long holes in the roof: 101-107

Short holes in the right wall (seen from the entrance of the drift): 21-32

Long holes in the right wall: 121-129

Short holes in floor: 41-52

Long holes in the floor: 141-147

Short holes in left wall: 61-72

Long holes in the roof: 161-167

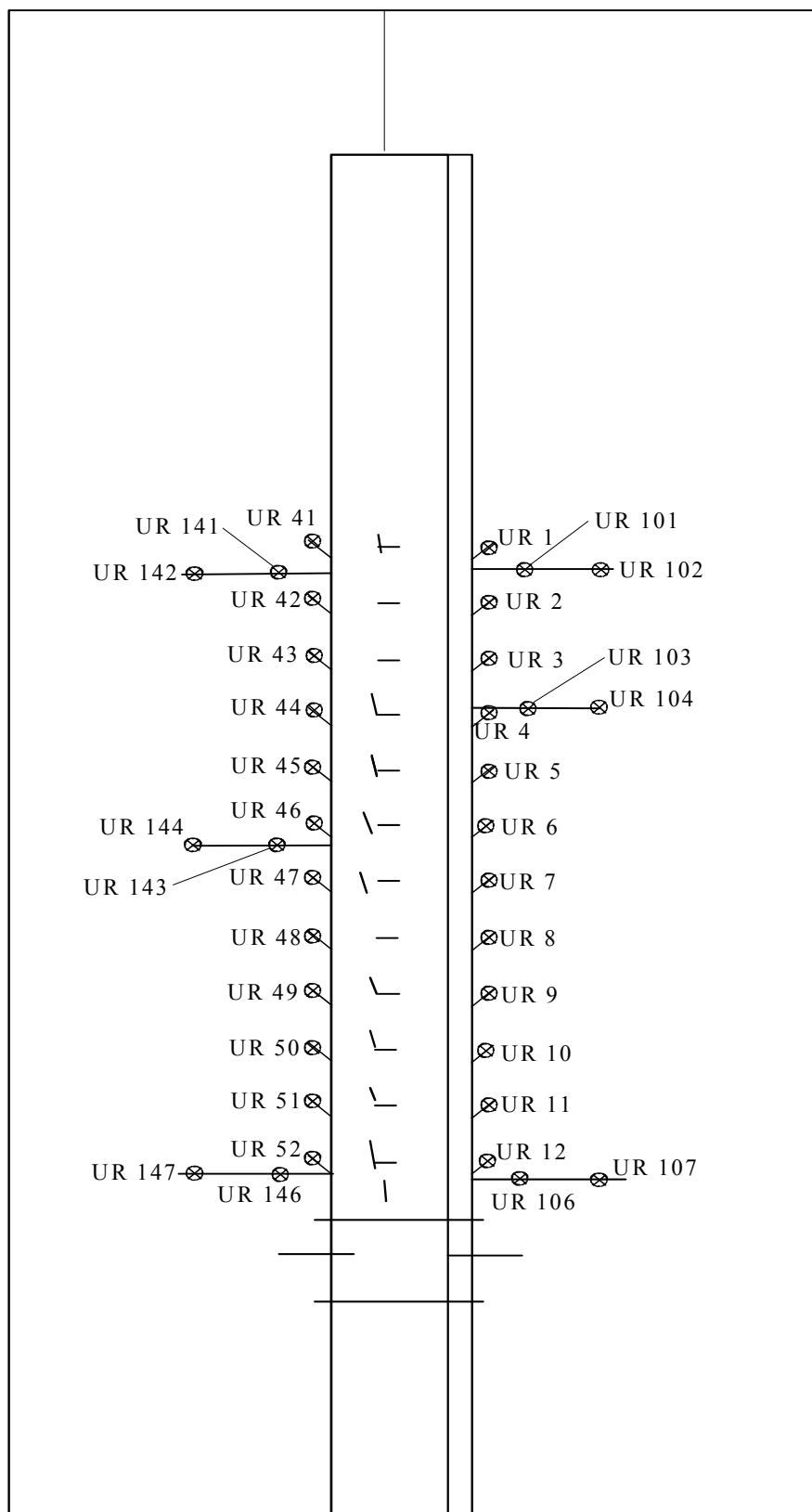
Long hole in the end of the drift: 121

Table 5-1 shows the location of the measuring section for each instrument and the corresponding bore hole number. The backfill section in where the bore hole starts is also given

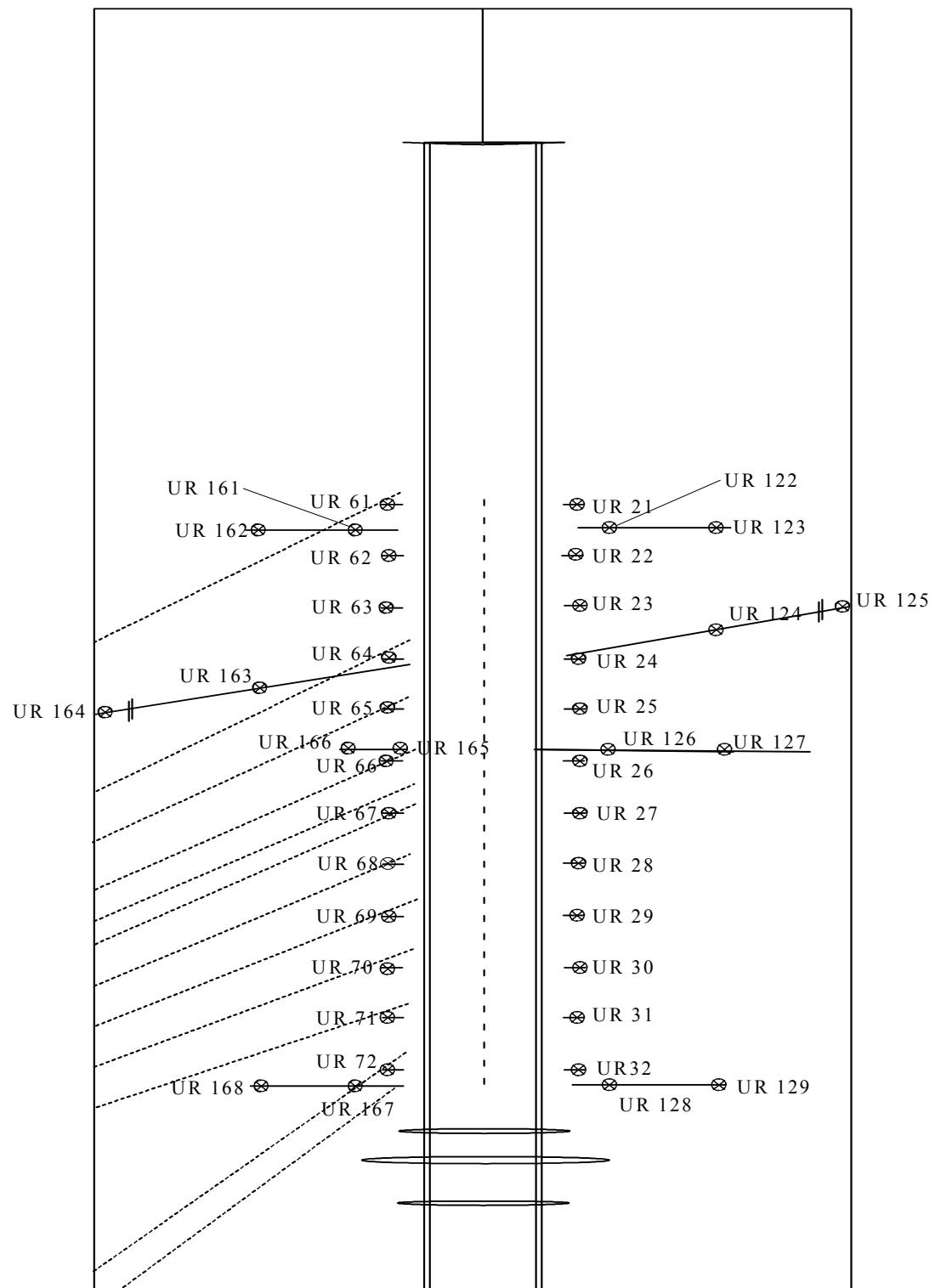
Figs 5-1 and 5-2 show the location of the measuring sections in vertical and horizontal cross sections.

**Table 5-1. Numbering and positions of instruments for measuring pore water pressure in the rock.**

Type and number	Location	Measuring sect. (m)	Bore hole number	Section (TC)	Fabricate	Diameter (mm)	Remarks
UR1	Roof	0.5-1.0	KZ0065I01	A1	Druck	56	
UR2	Roof	0.5-1.0	KZ0063I01	A2	Druck	56	
UR3	Roof	0.5-1.0	KZ0061I01	A3	Druck	56	Closed ?
UR4	Floor	0.5-1.0	KZ0052G01	A4	Druck	56	
UR5	Roof	0.5-1.0	KZ0057I01	A5	Druck	56	
UR6	Roof	0.5-1.0	KZ0054I01	B1	Druck	56	
UR7	Roof	0.5-1.0	KZ0052I01	B2	Druck	56	
UR8	Roof	0.5-1.0	KZ0050I01	B3	Druck	56	
UR9	Roof	0.5-1.0	KZ0048I01	B4	Druck	56	
UR10	Roof	0.5-1.0	KZ0046I01	B5	Druck	56	
UR11	Roof	0.5-1.0	KZ0043I01	B5	Druck	56	
UR12	Roof	0.5-1.0	KZ0041I01	B5	Druck	56	
UR21	Right wall	0.5-1.0	KZ0066B01	O	Druck	56	
UR22	Right wall	0.5-1.0	KZ0064B01	O	Druck	56	
UR23	Right wall	0.5-1.0	KZ0061B01	A1	Druck	56	
UR24	Floor	0.5-1.0	KZ0057B01	A2	Druck	56	
UR25	Right wall	0.5-1.0	KZ0057B01	A3	Druck	56	
UR26	Right wall	0.5-1.0	KZ0055B01	A4	Druck	56	
UR27	Right wall	0.5-1.0	KZ0053B01	A5	Druck	56	
UR28	Right wall	0.5-1.0	KZ0050B01	B1	Druck	56	
UR29	Right wall	0.5-1.0	KZ0048B01	B2	Druck	56	
UR30	Right wall	0.5-1.0	KZ0046B01	B3	Druck	56	
UR31	Right wall	0.5-1.0	KZ0044B01	B4	Druck	56	
UR32	Right wall	0.5-1.0	KZ0042B01	B5	Druck	56	
UR41	Floor	0.5-1.0	KZ0065G01	O	Druck	56	
UR42	Floor	0.5-1.0	KZ0063G01	O	Druck	56	
UR43	Floor	0.5-1.0	KZ0061G01	O	Druck	56	
UR44	Floor	0.5-1.0	KZ0059G01	A1	Druck	56	
UR45	Right wall	0.5-1.0	KZ0059G01	A2	Druck	56	One tube
UR46	Floor	0.5-1.0	KZ0054G01	A3	Druck	56	plugged
UR47	Roof	0.5-1.0	KZ0059I01	A4	Druck	56	
UR48	Floor	0.5-1.0	KZ0050G01	A5	Druck	56	
UR49	Floor	0.5-1.0	KZ0048G01	B1	Druck	56	
UR50	Floor	0.5-1.0	KZ0046G01	B2	Druck	56	
UR51	Floor	0.5-1.0	KZ0043G01	B3	Druck	56	
UR52	Floor	0.5-1.0	KZ0041G01	B4	Druck	56	



**Figure 5-1.** Position of measuring points in the boreholes of the rock in the floor (left part) and the roof. Vertical section.

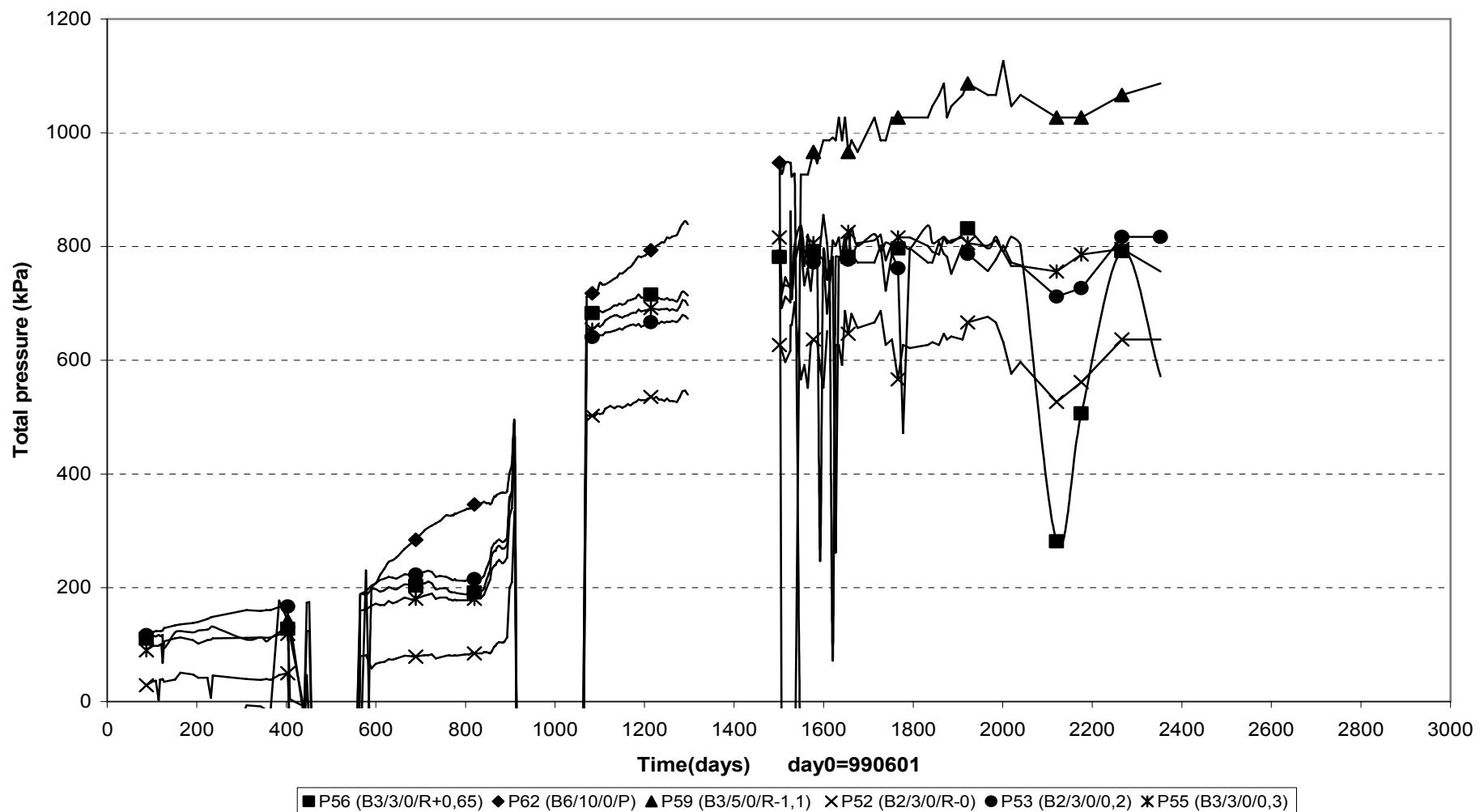


**Figure 5-2.** Position of measuring points in the boreholes of the rock in the walls.  
Horizontal section.

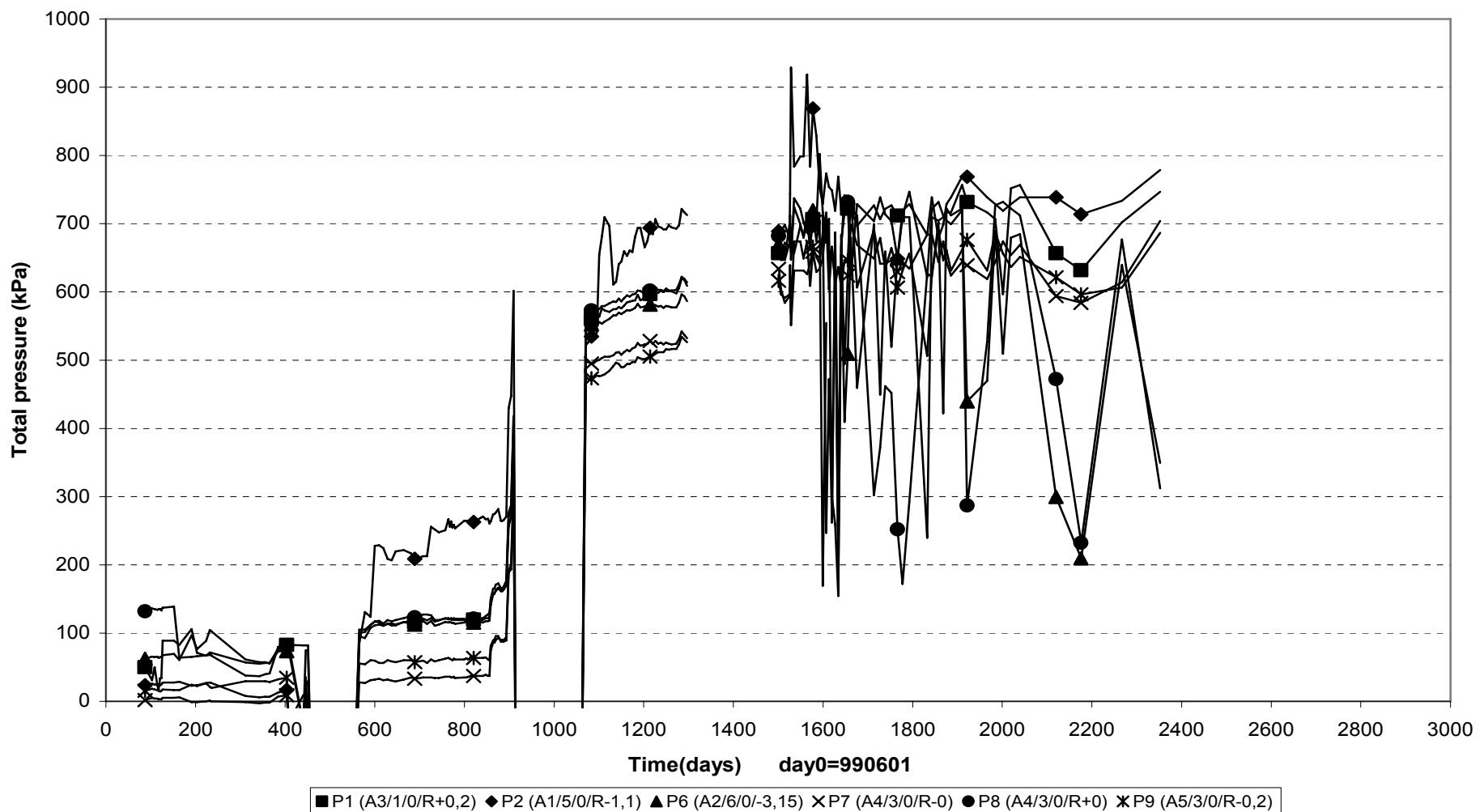
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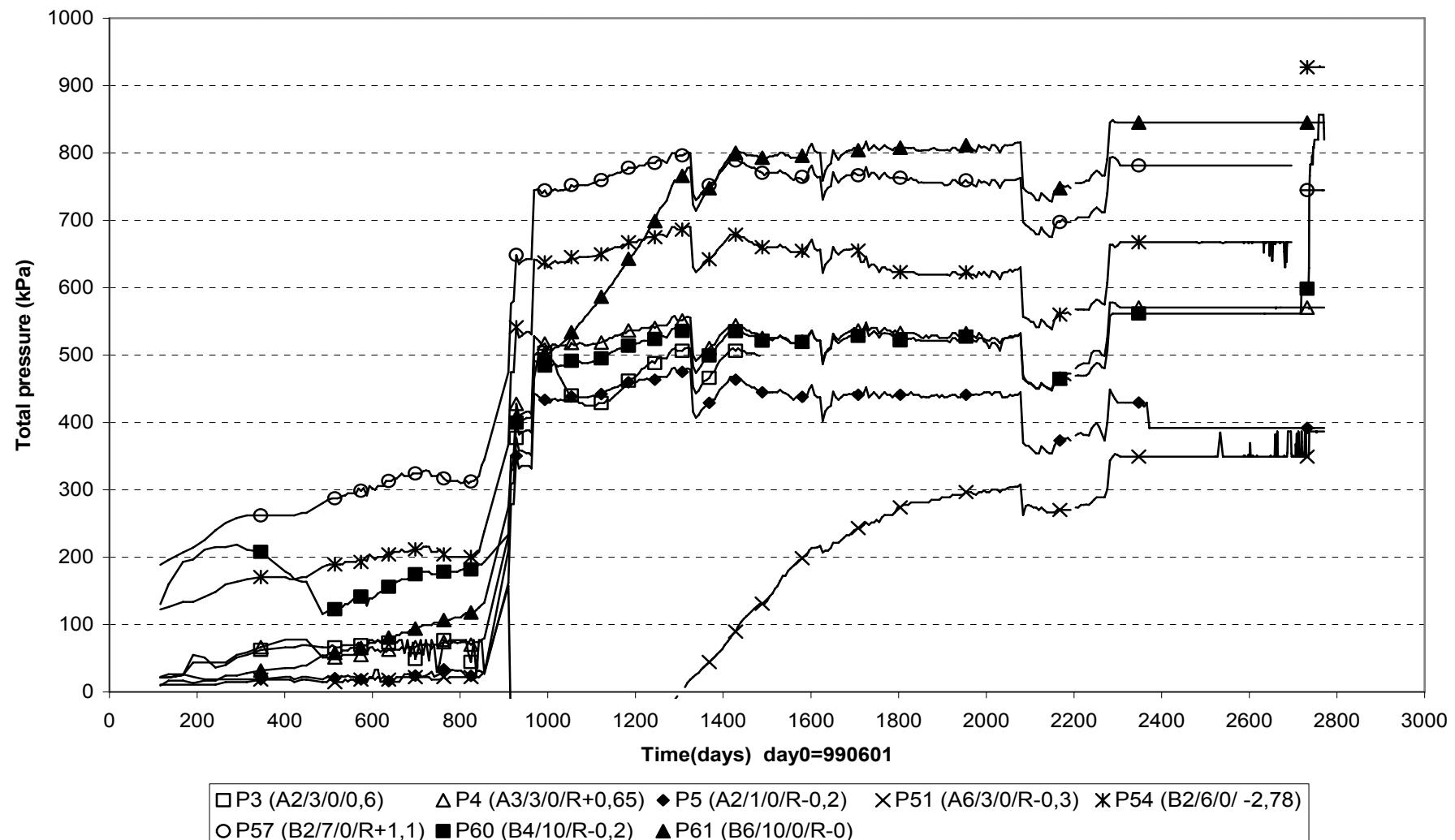
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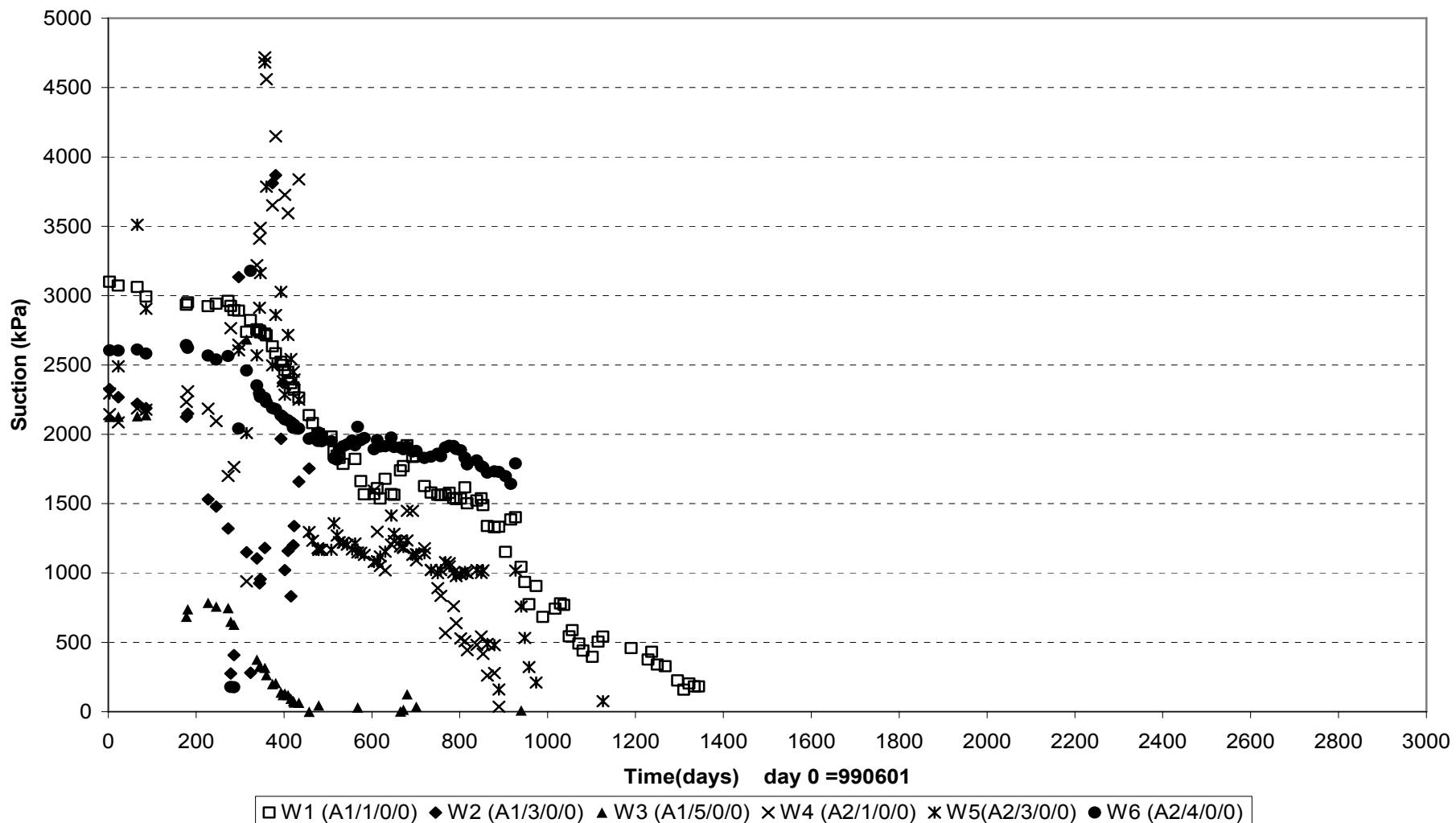
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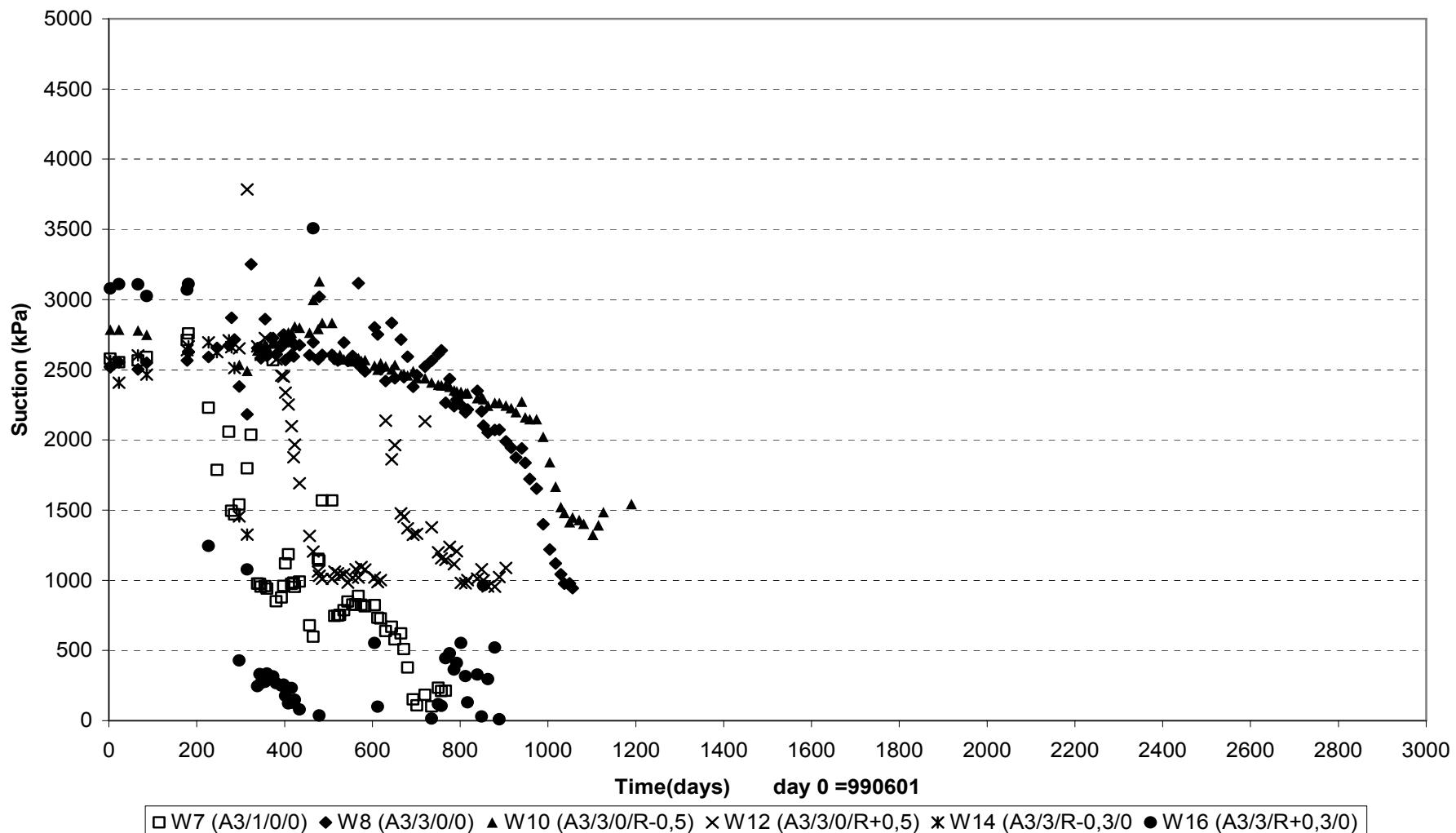
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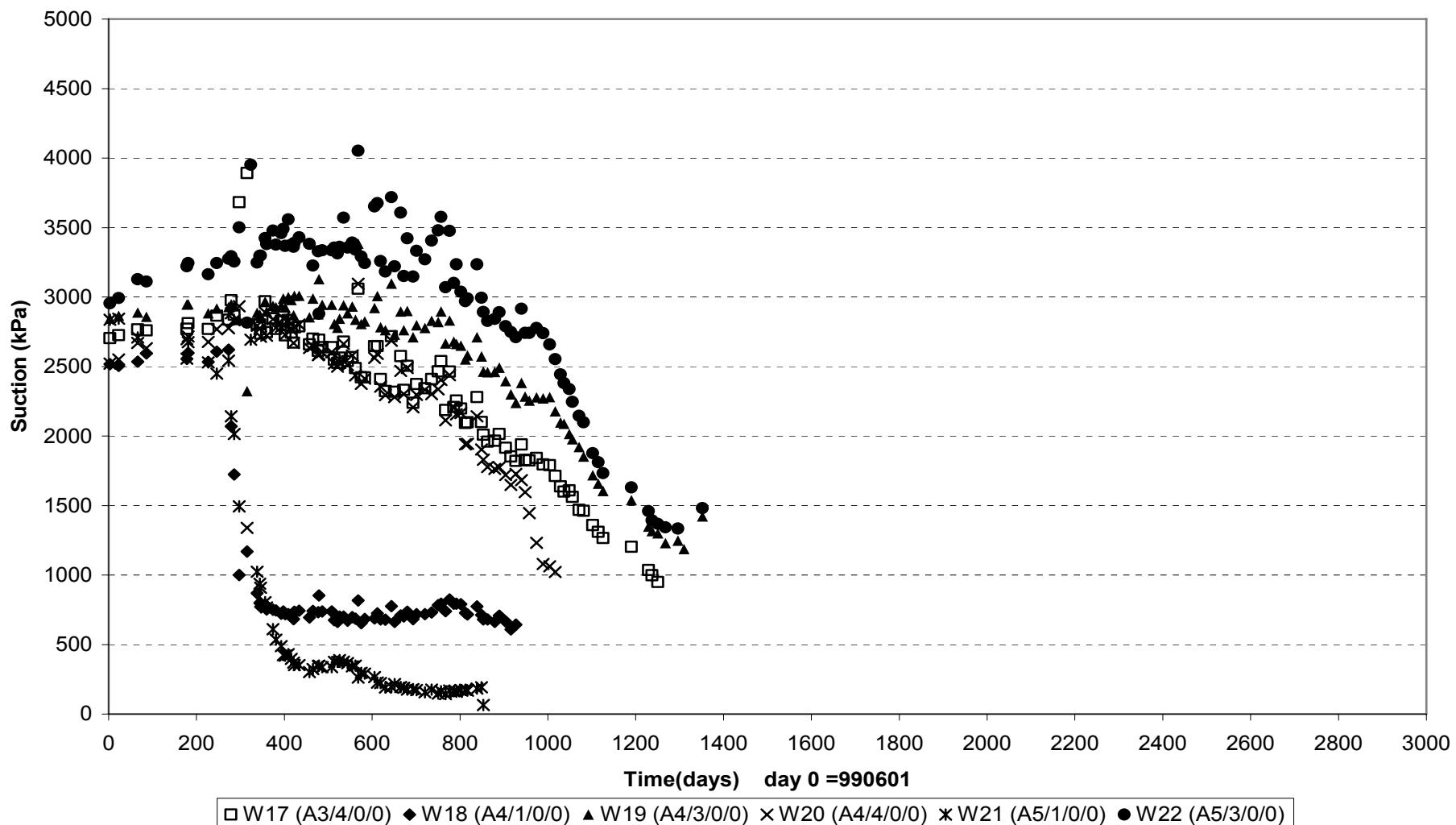
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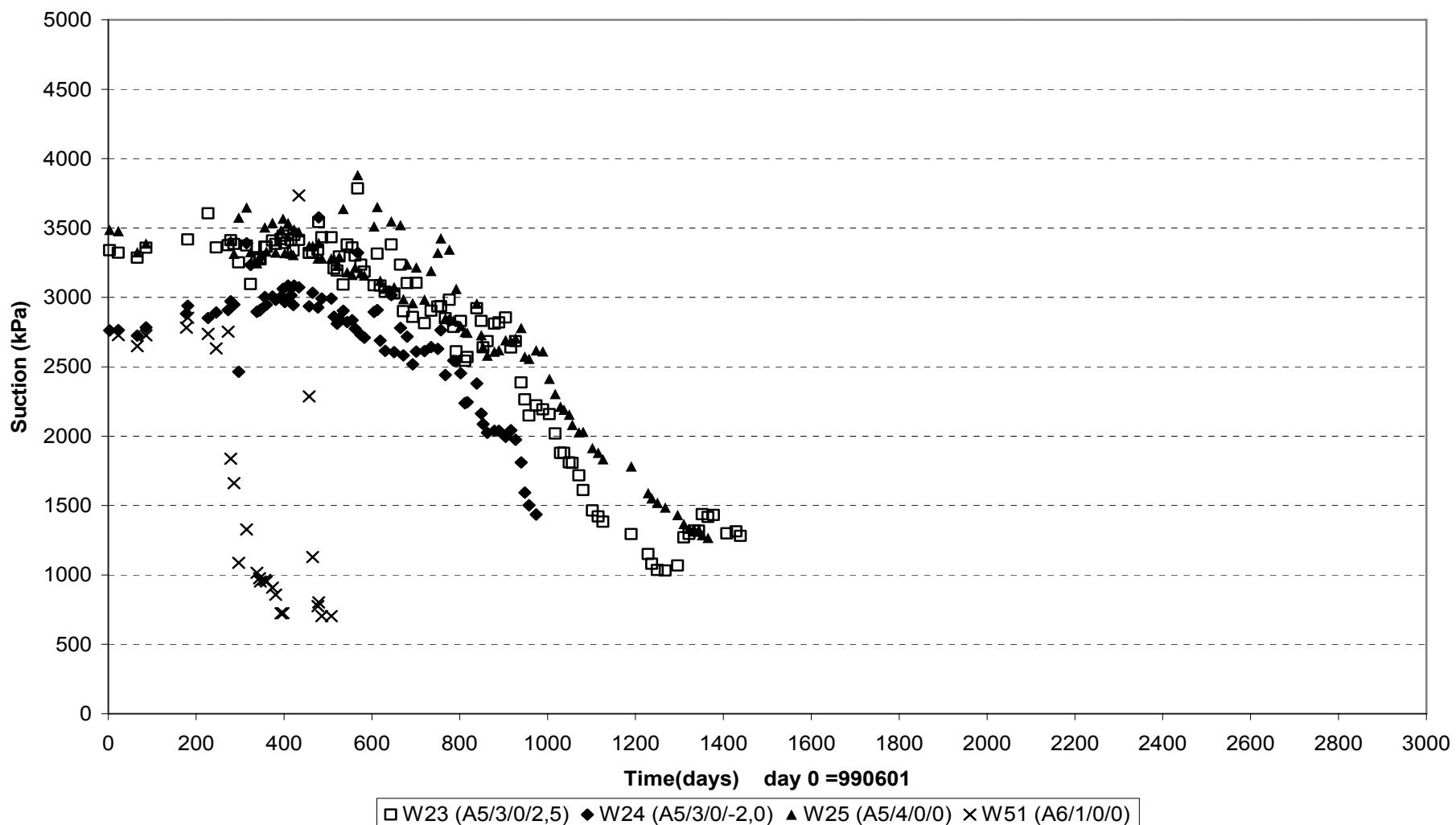
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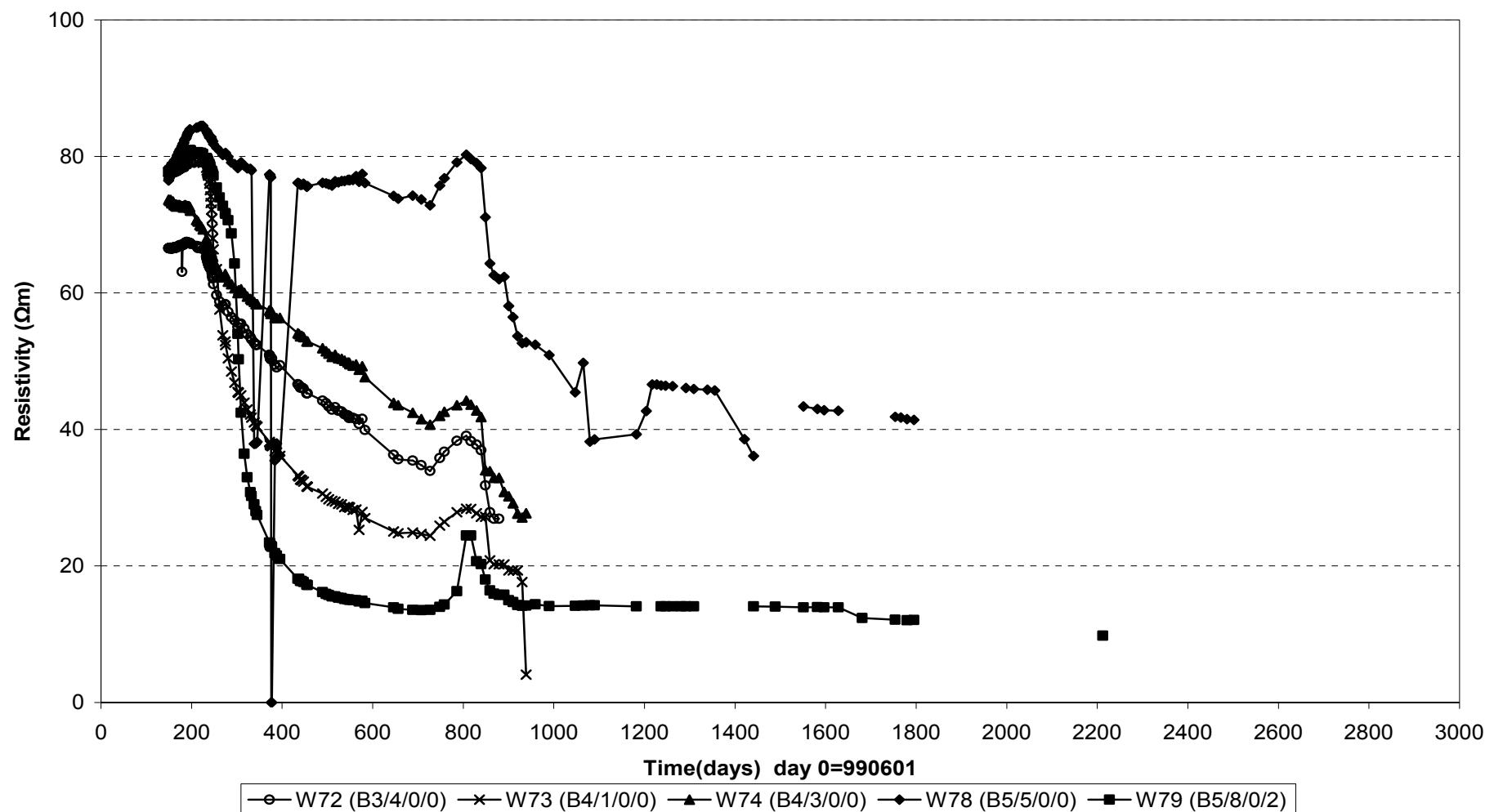
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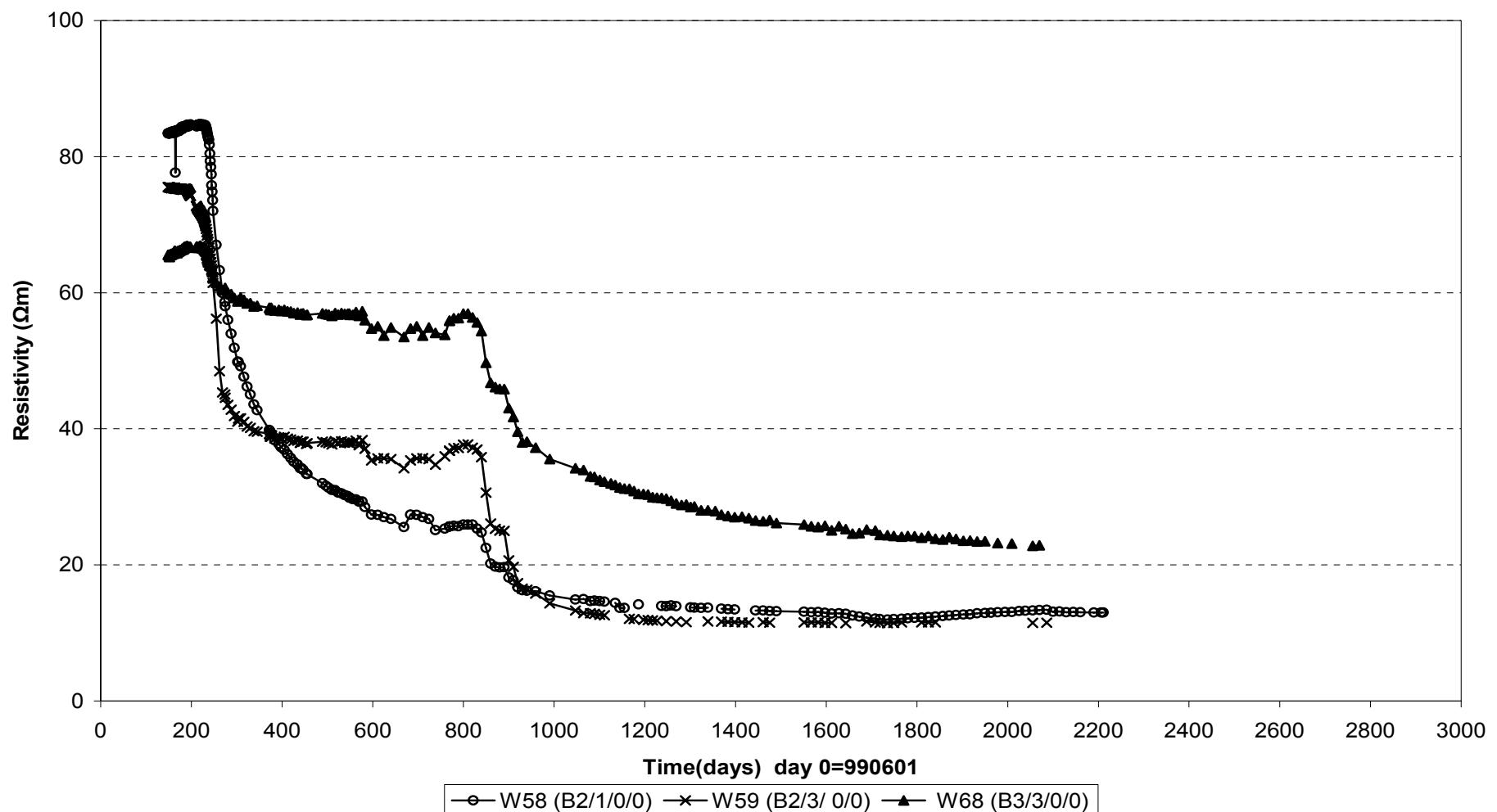
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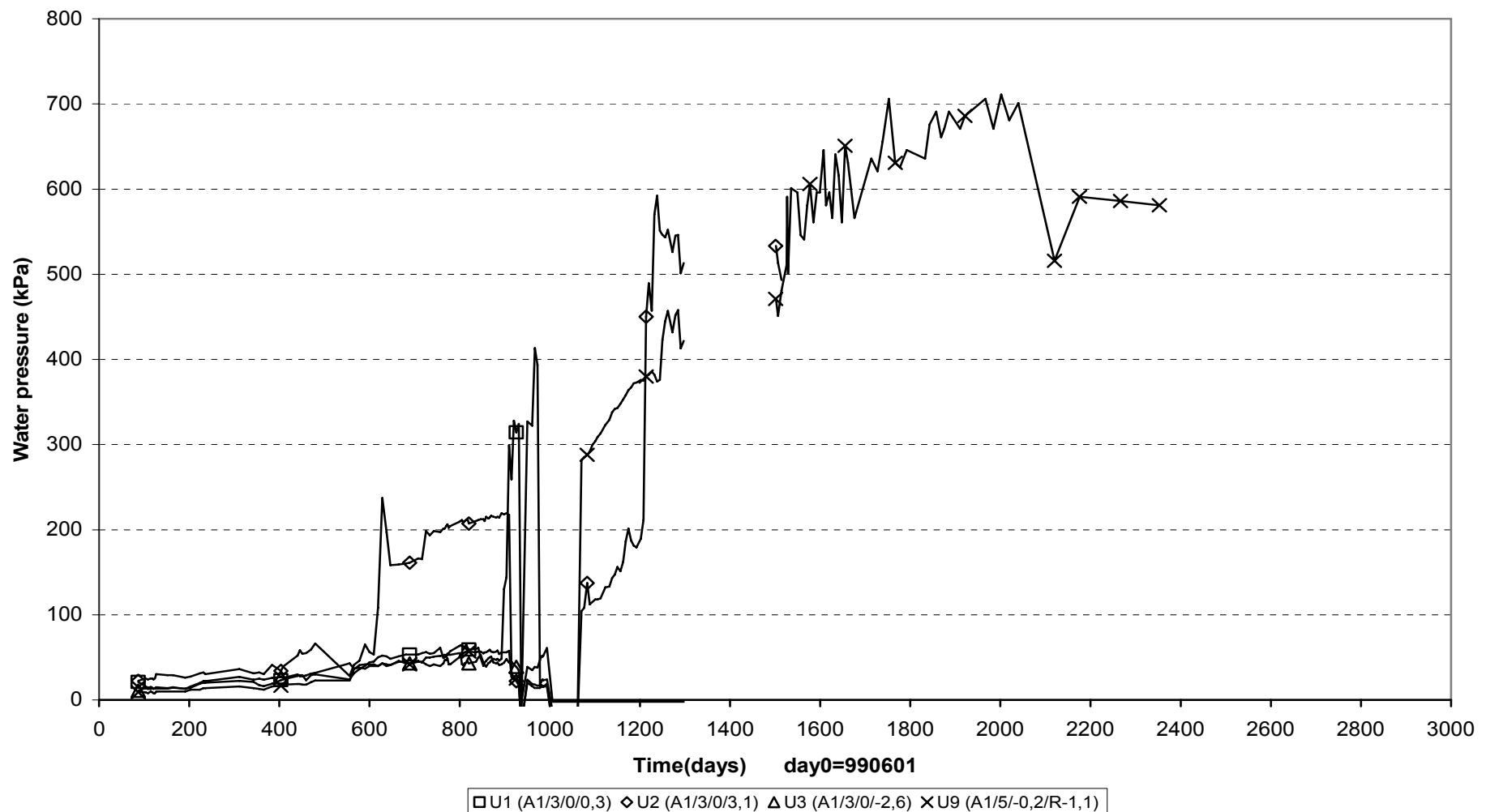
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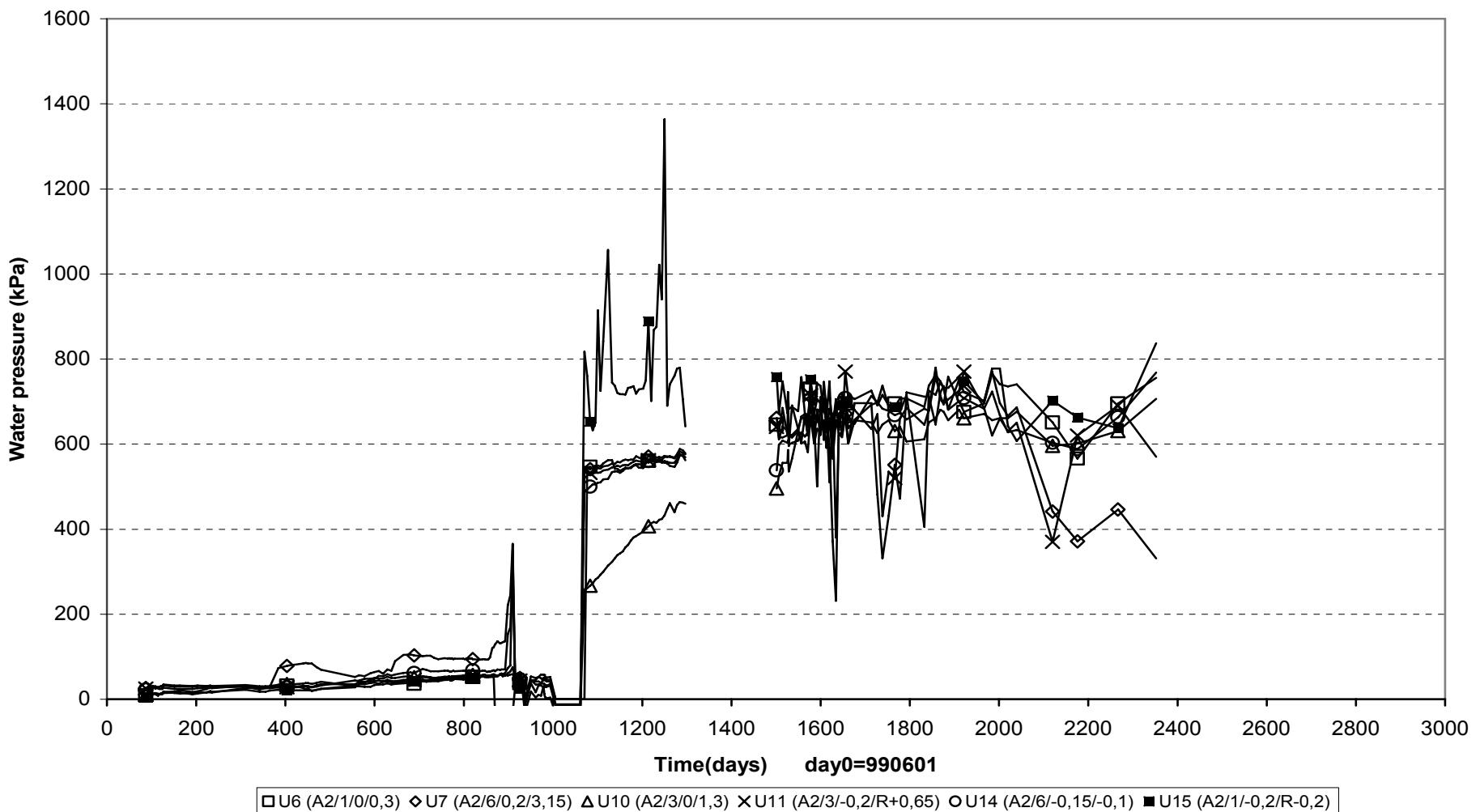
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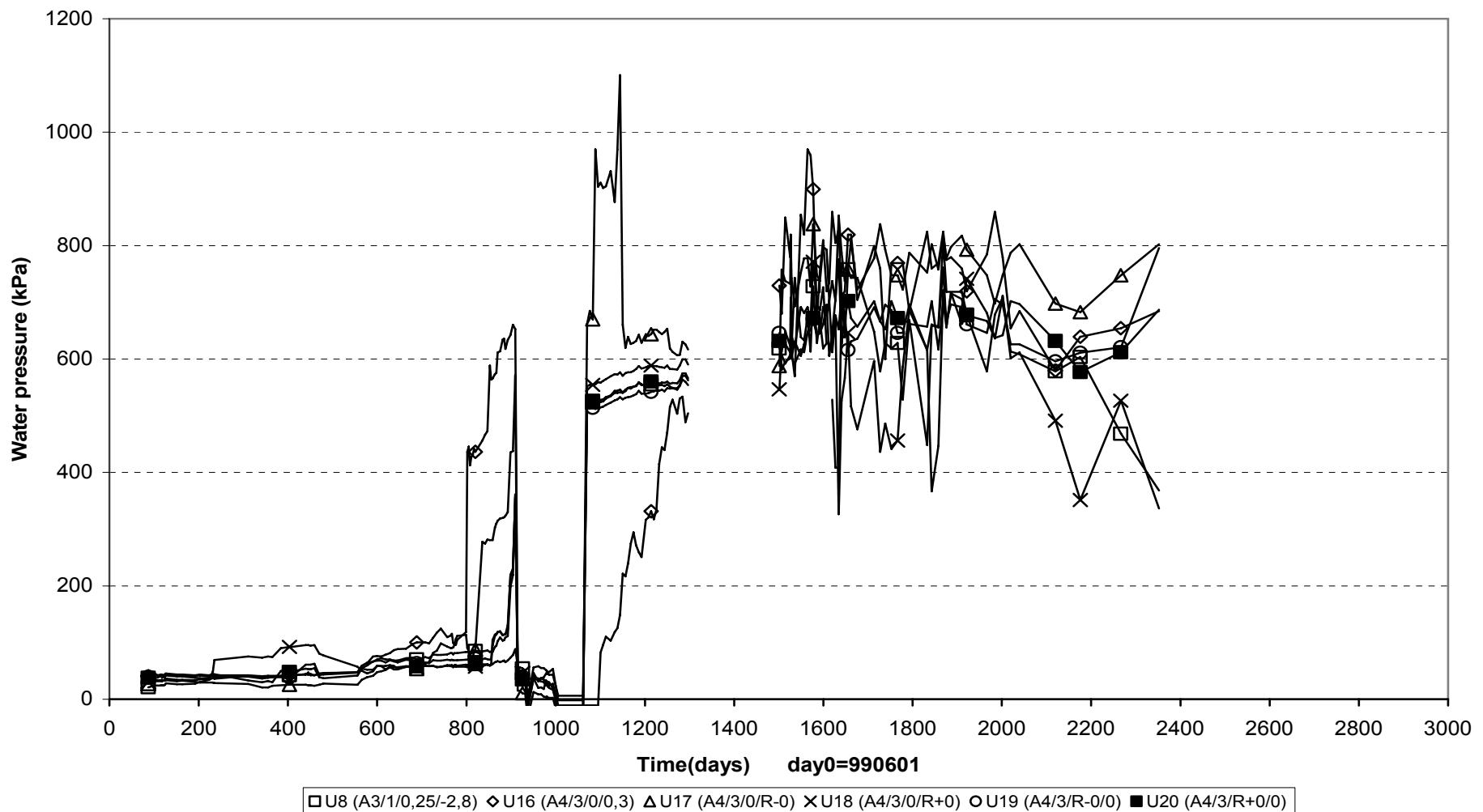
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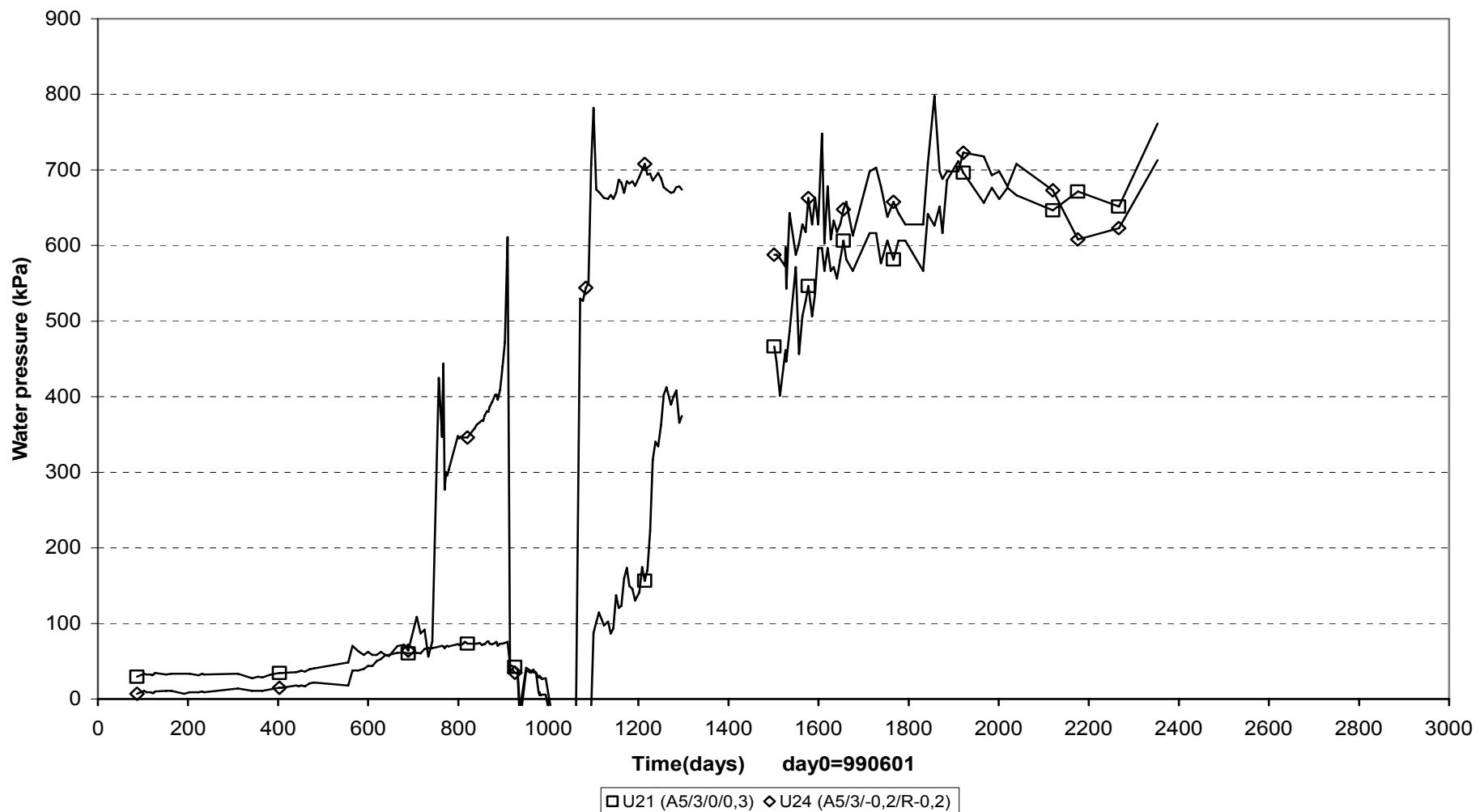
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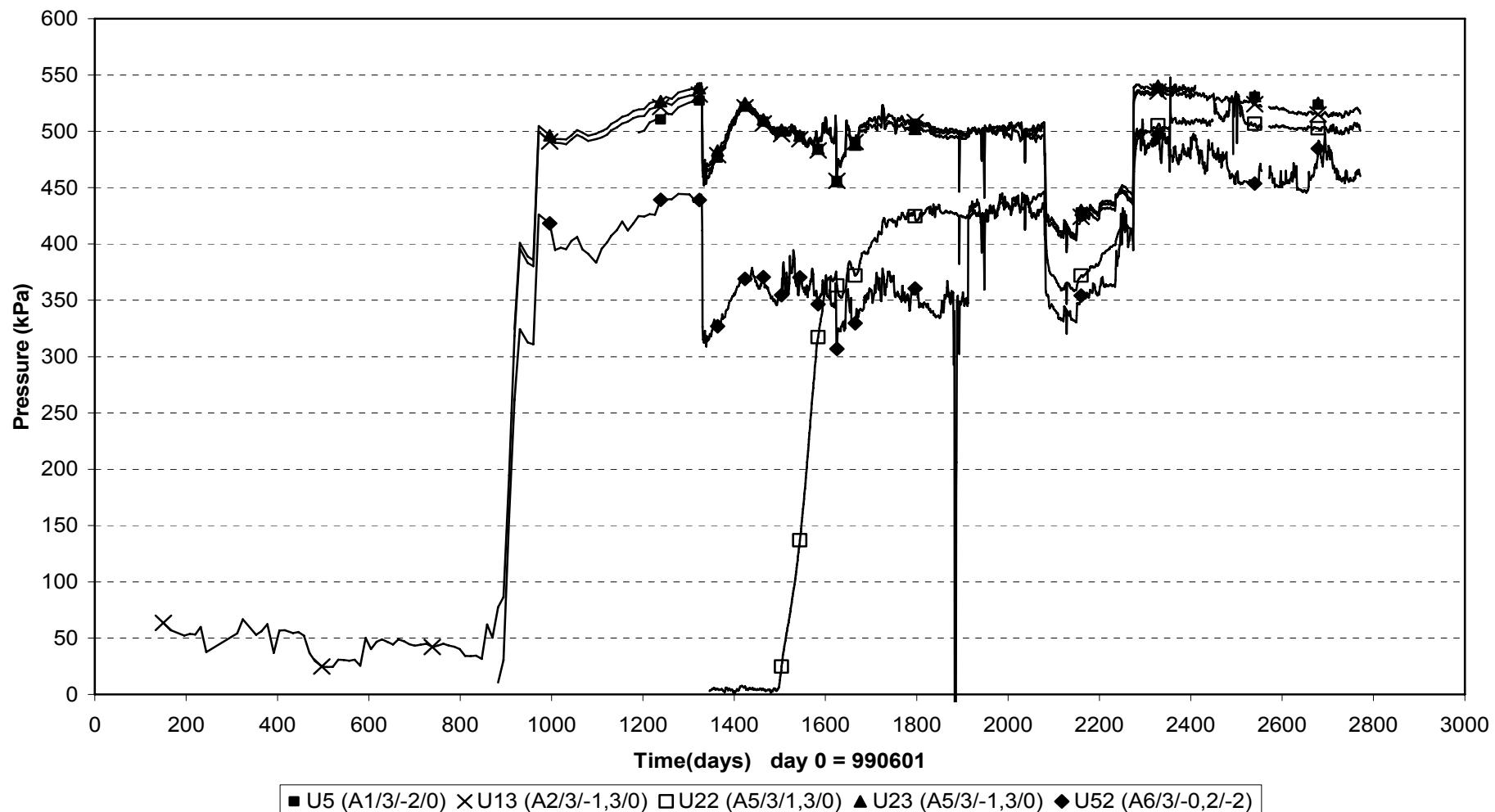
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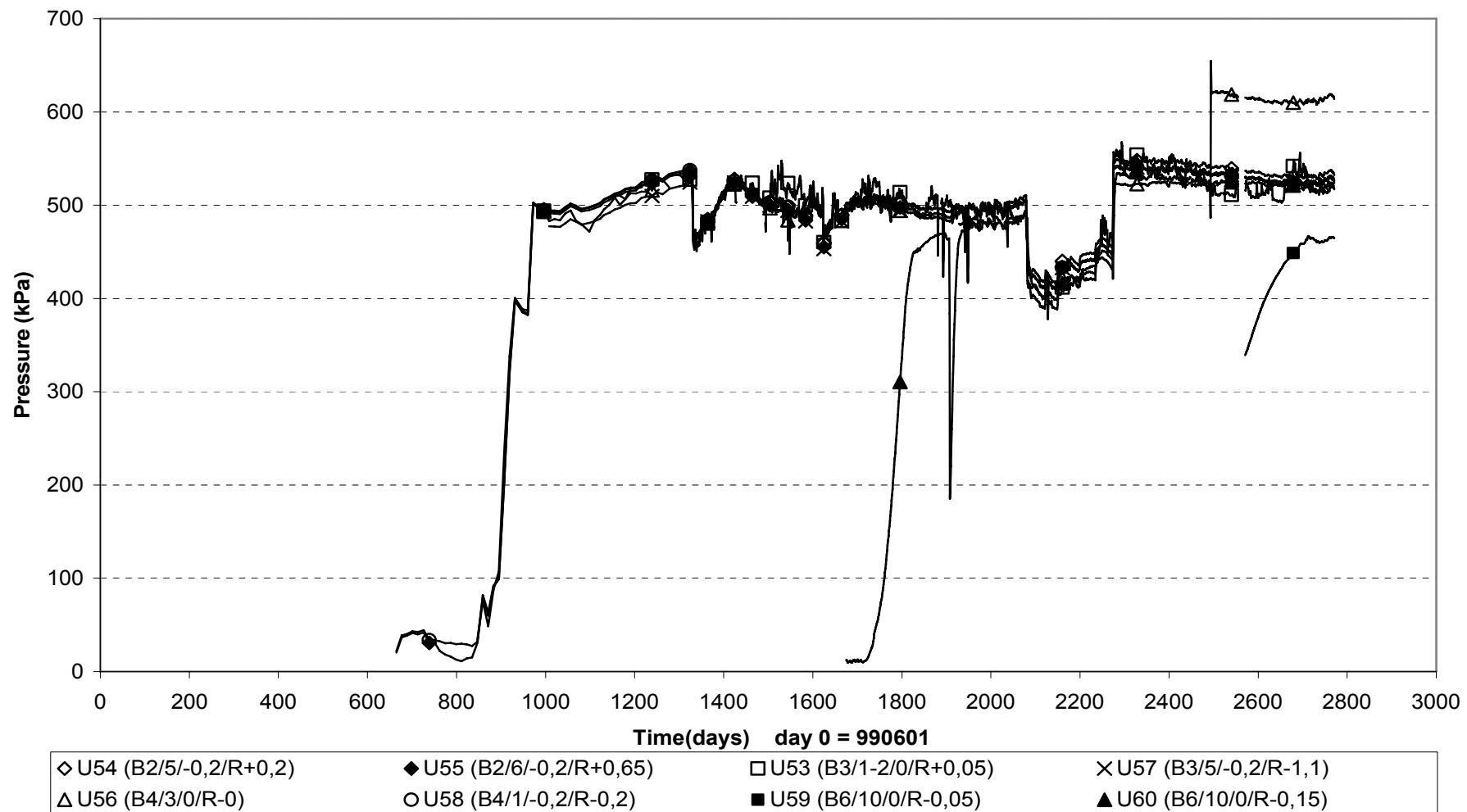
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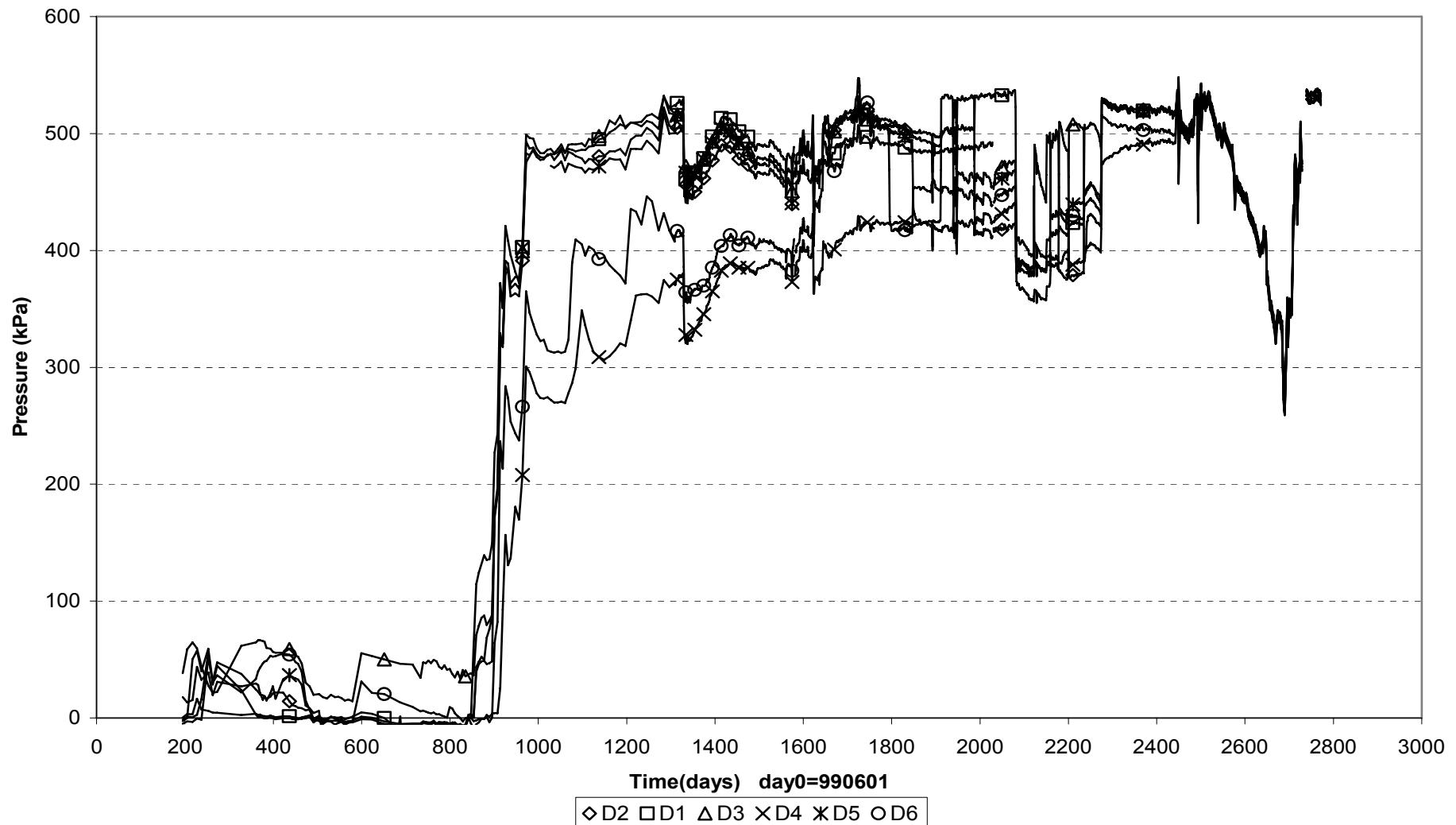
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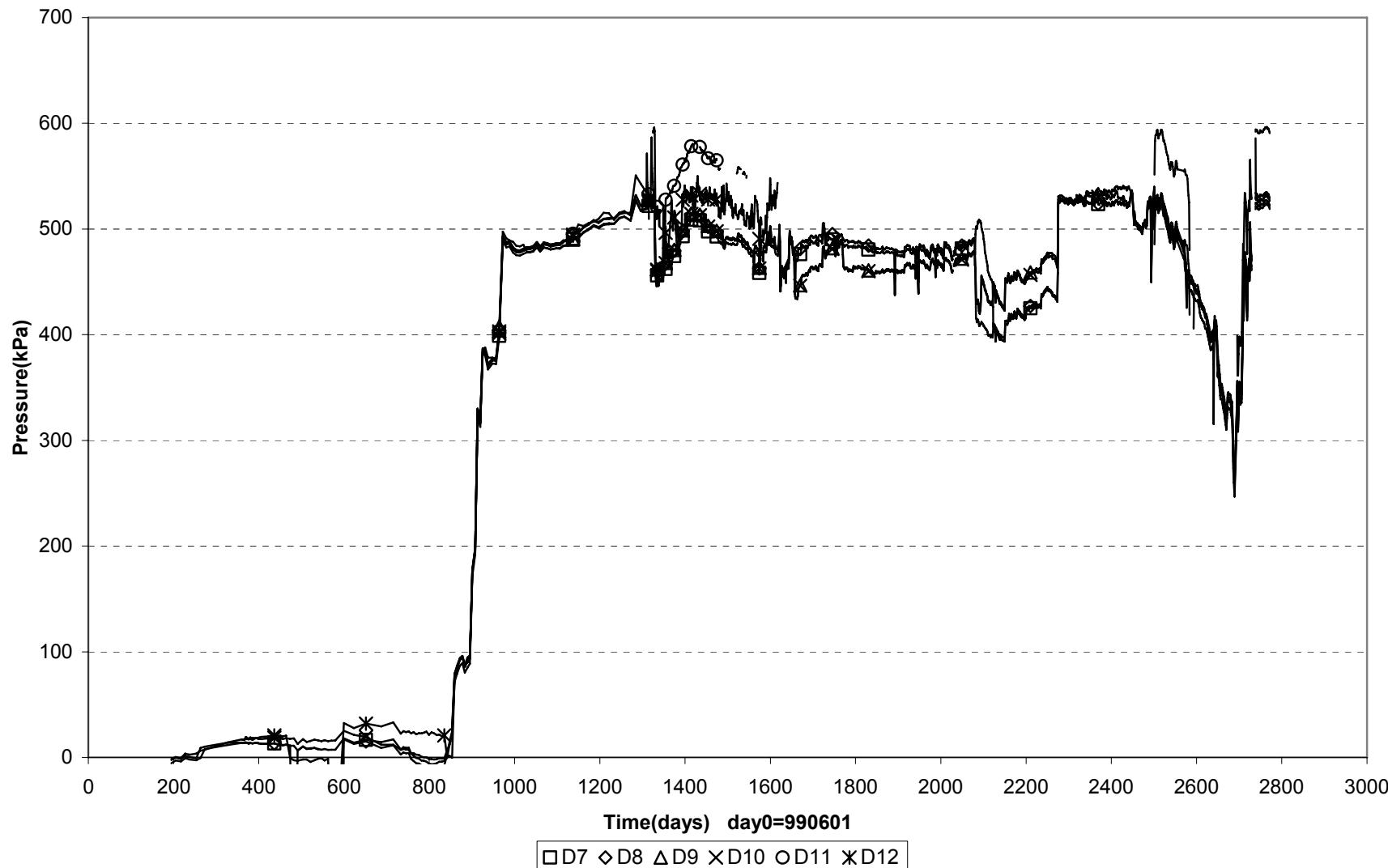
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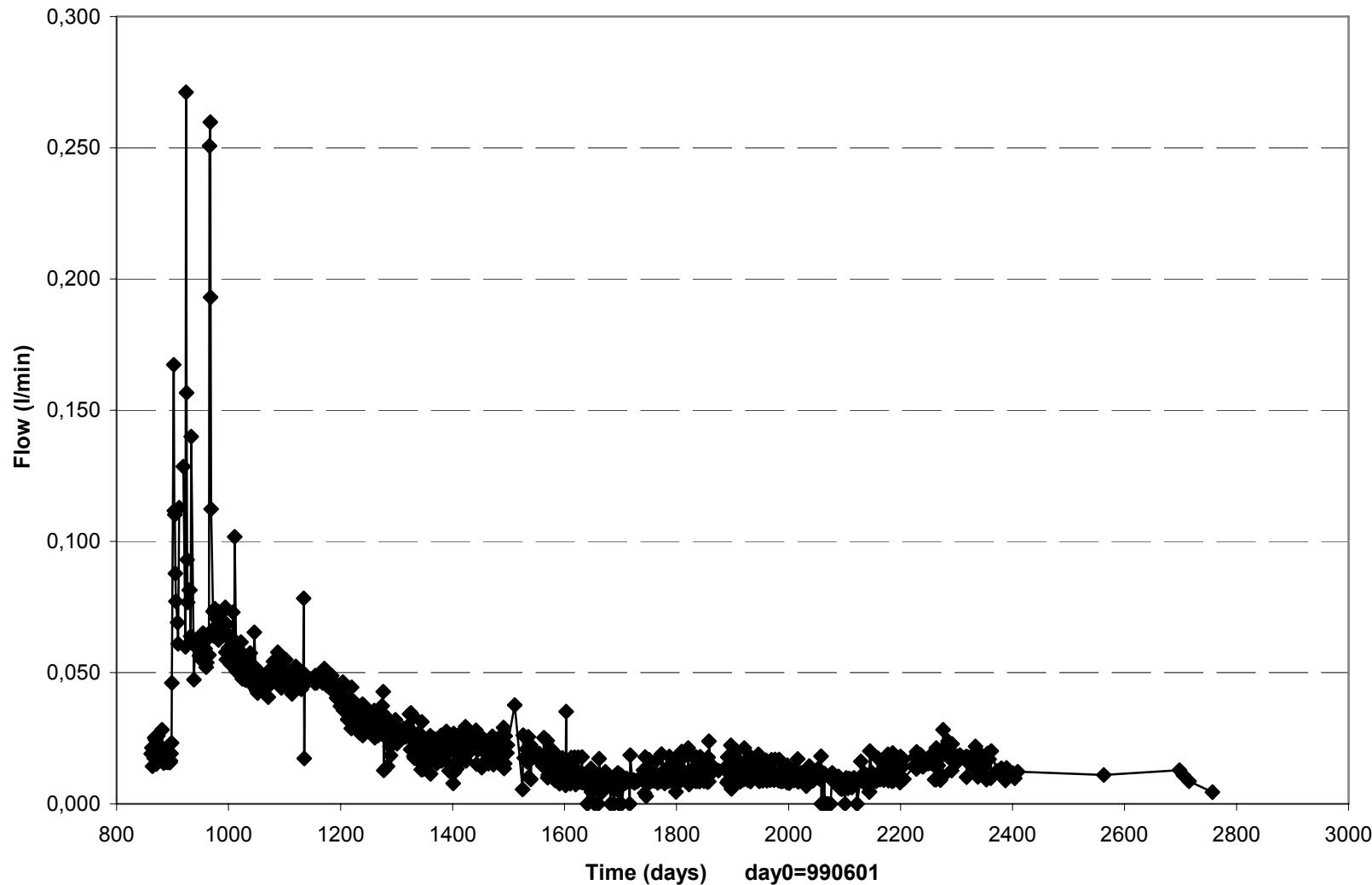
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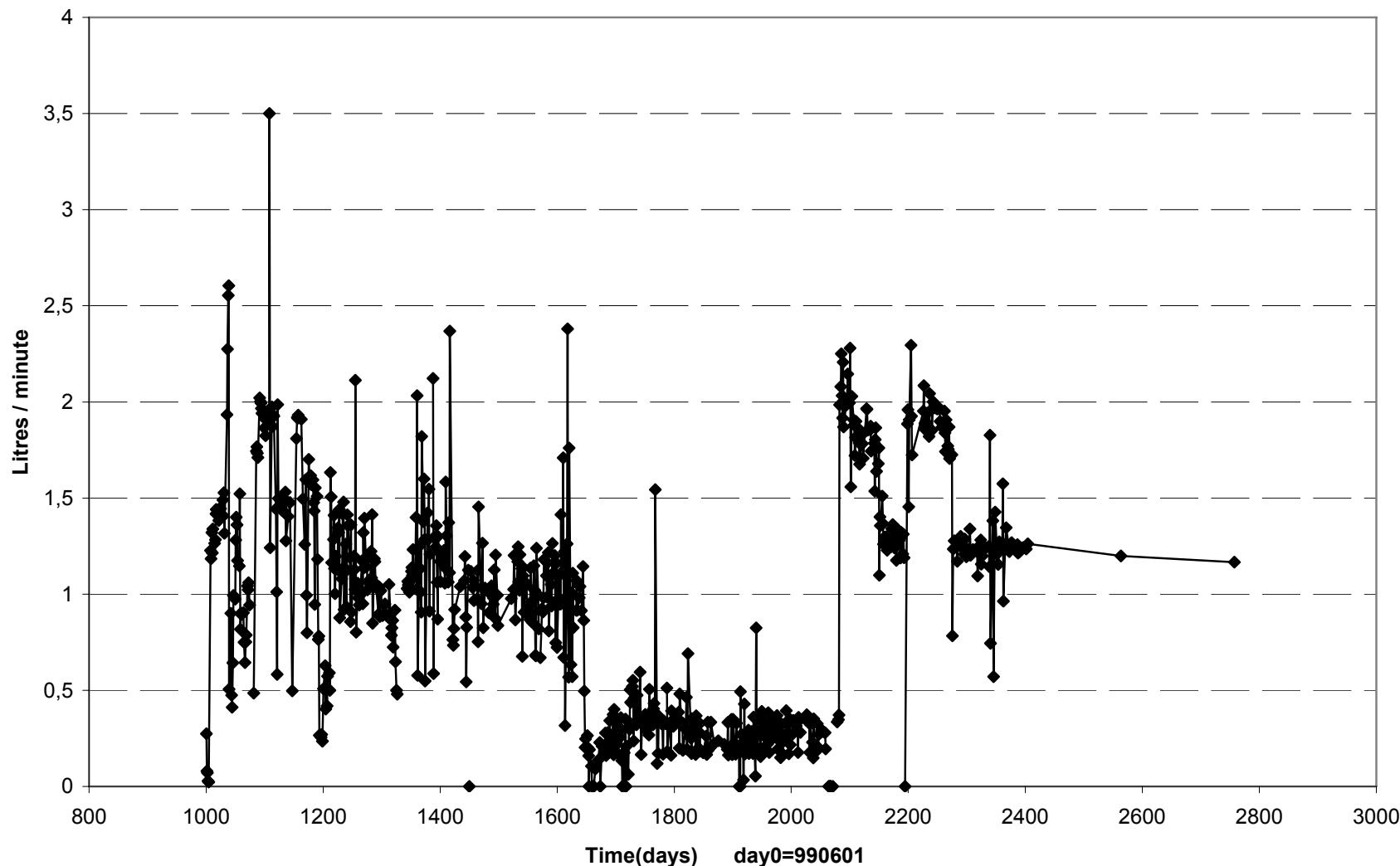
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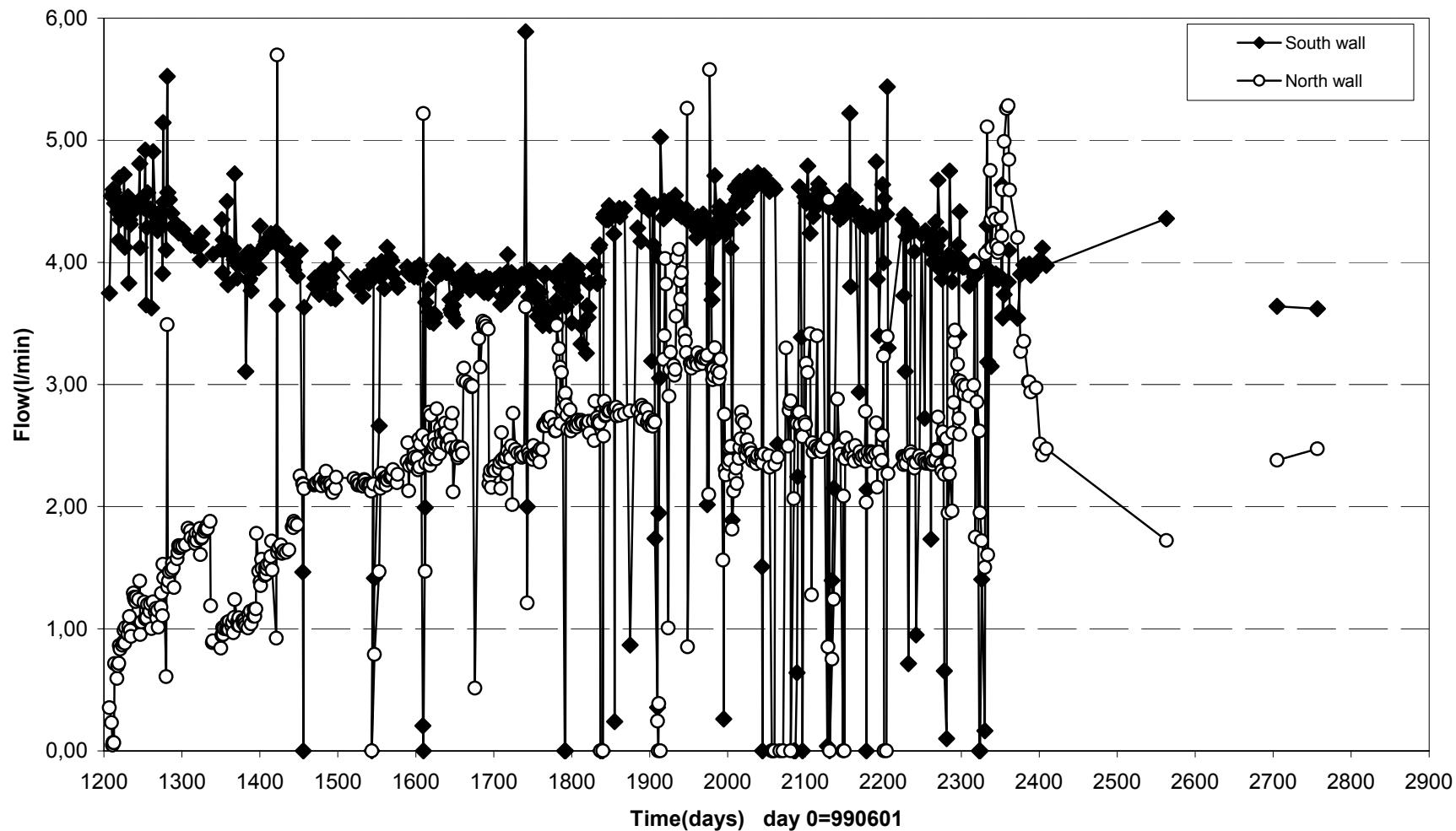
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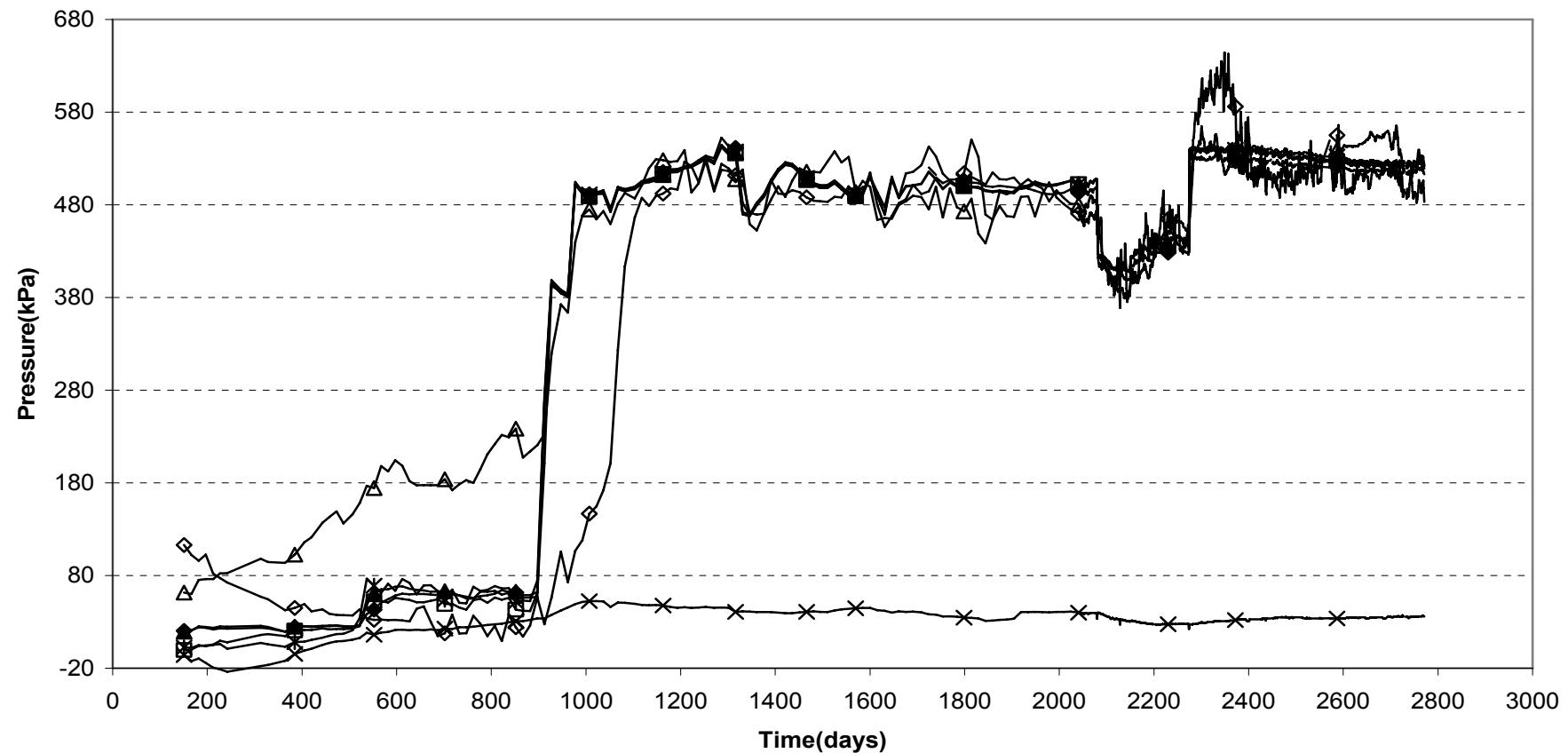
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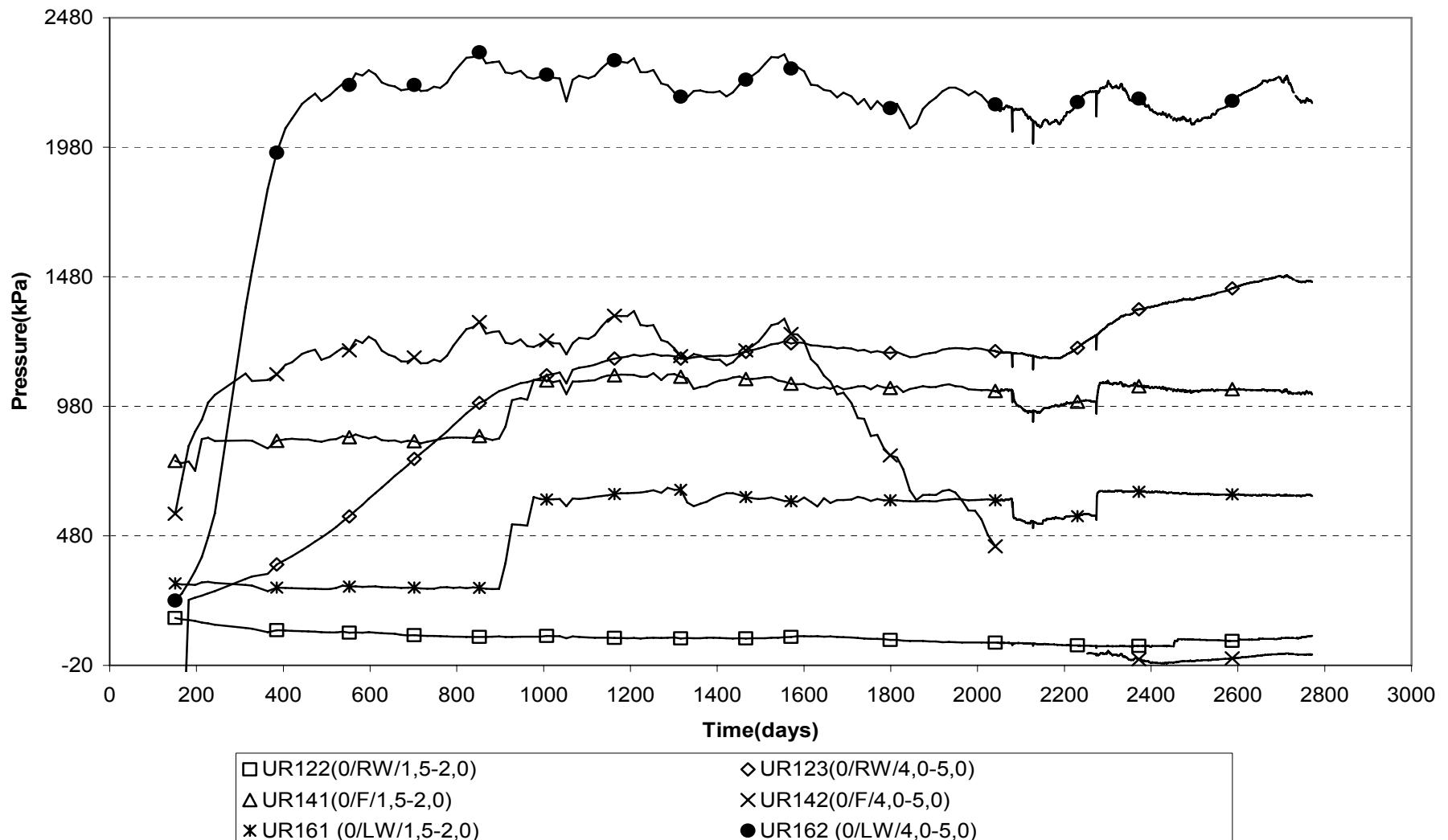


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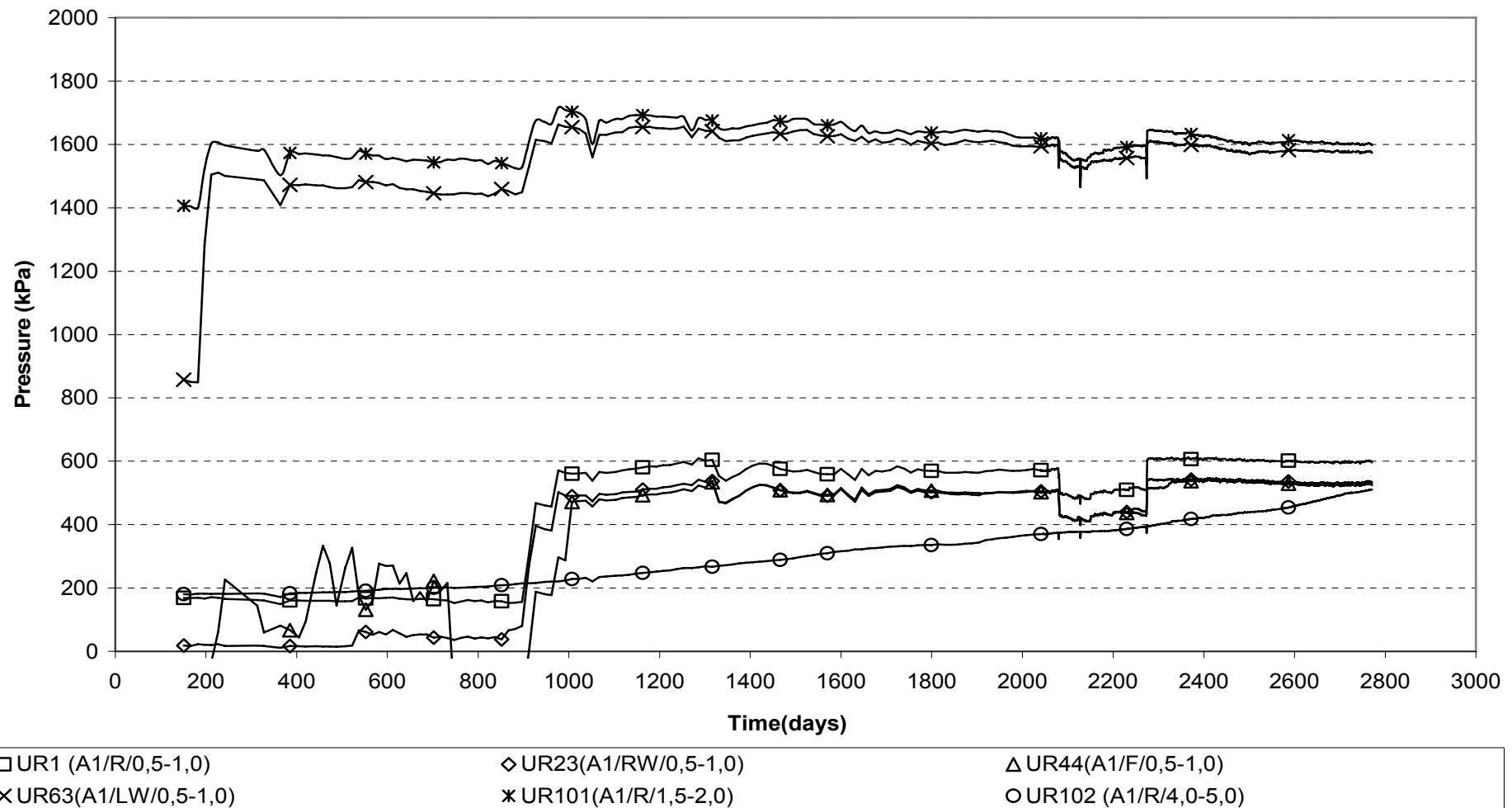


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▲ UR62(0/LW/0,5-1,0)		

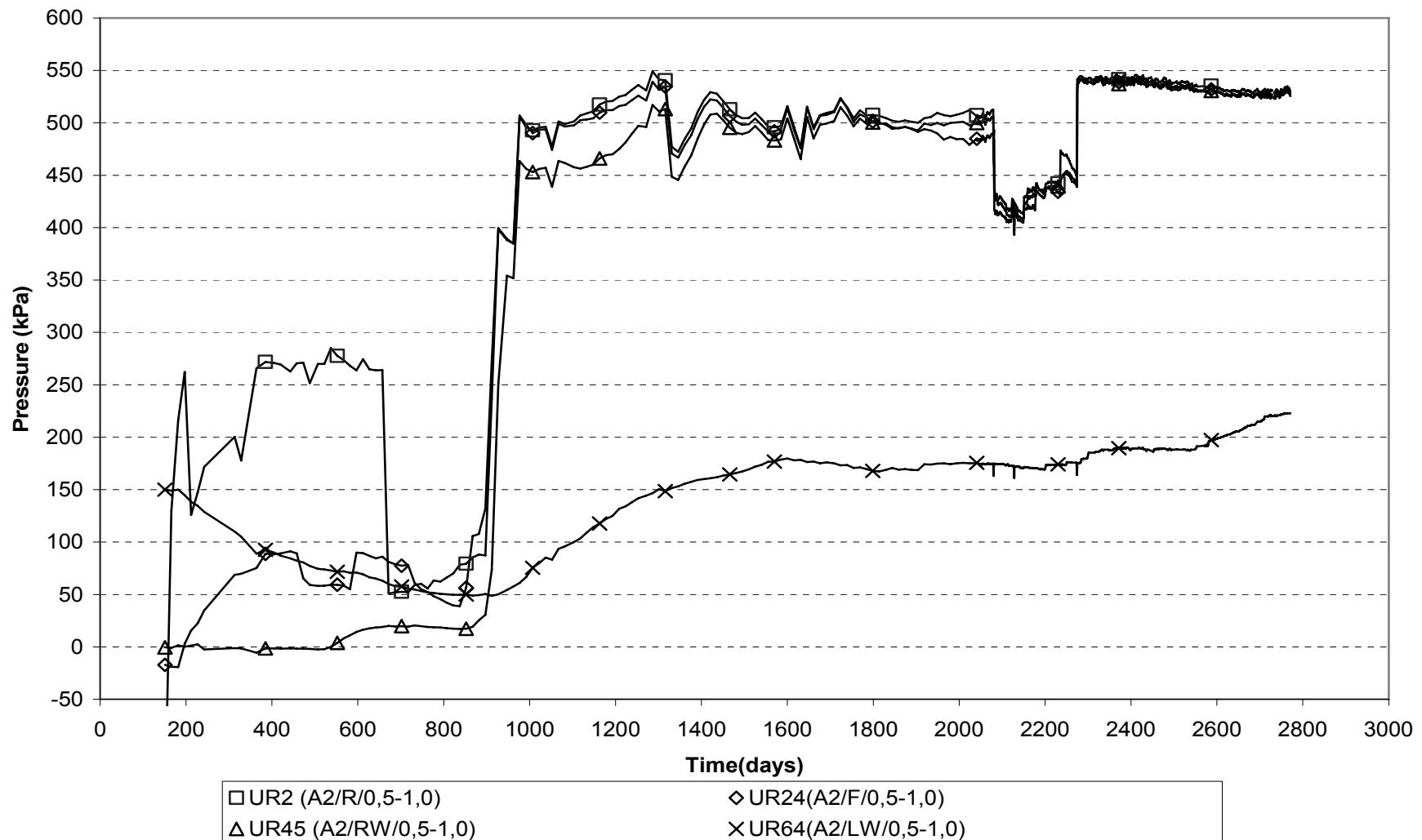
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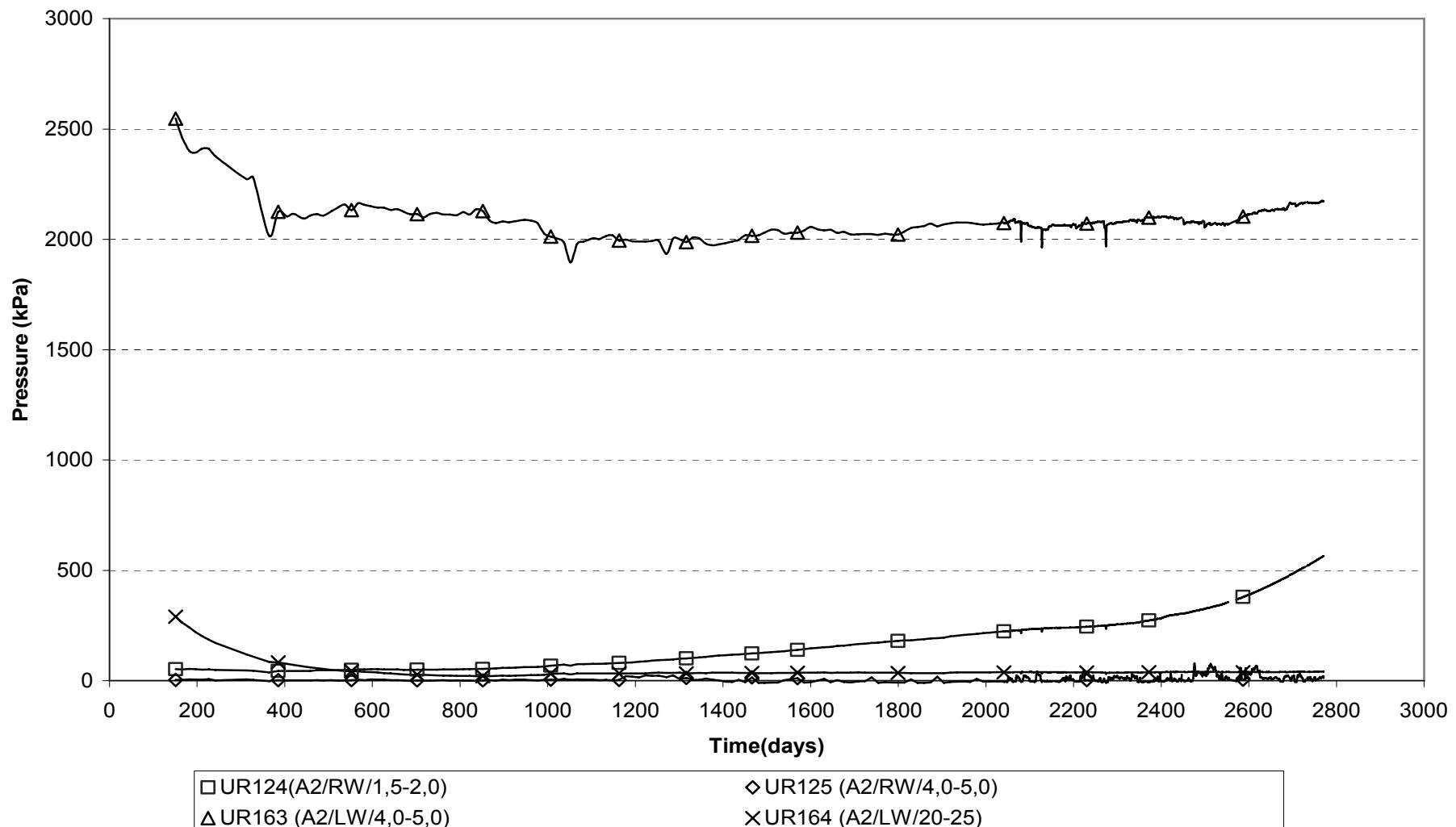
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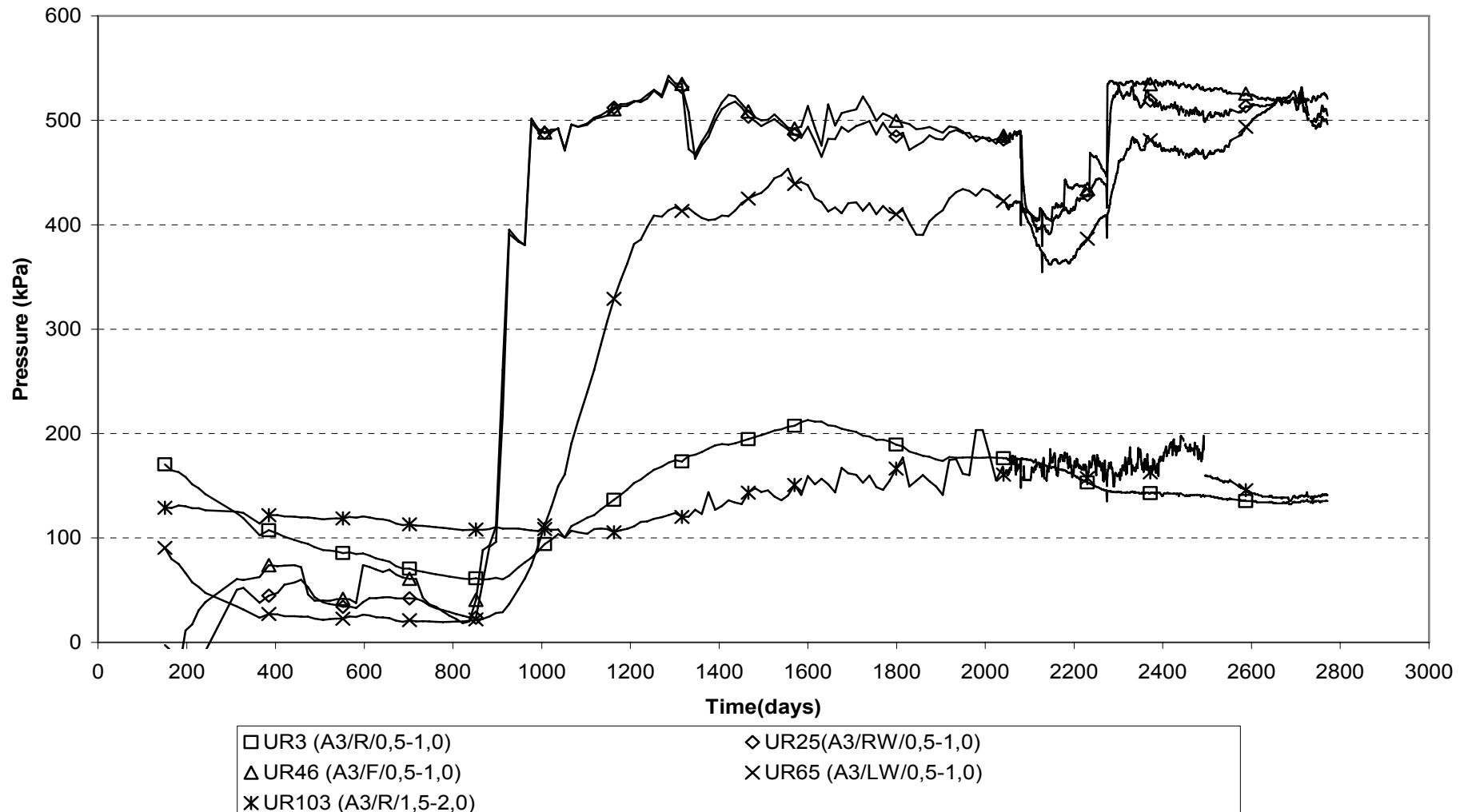
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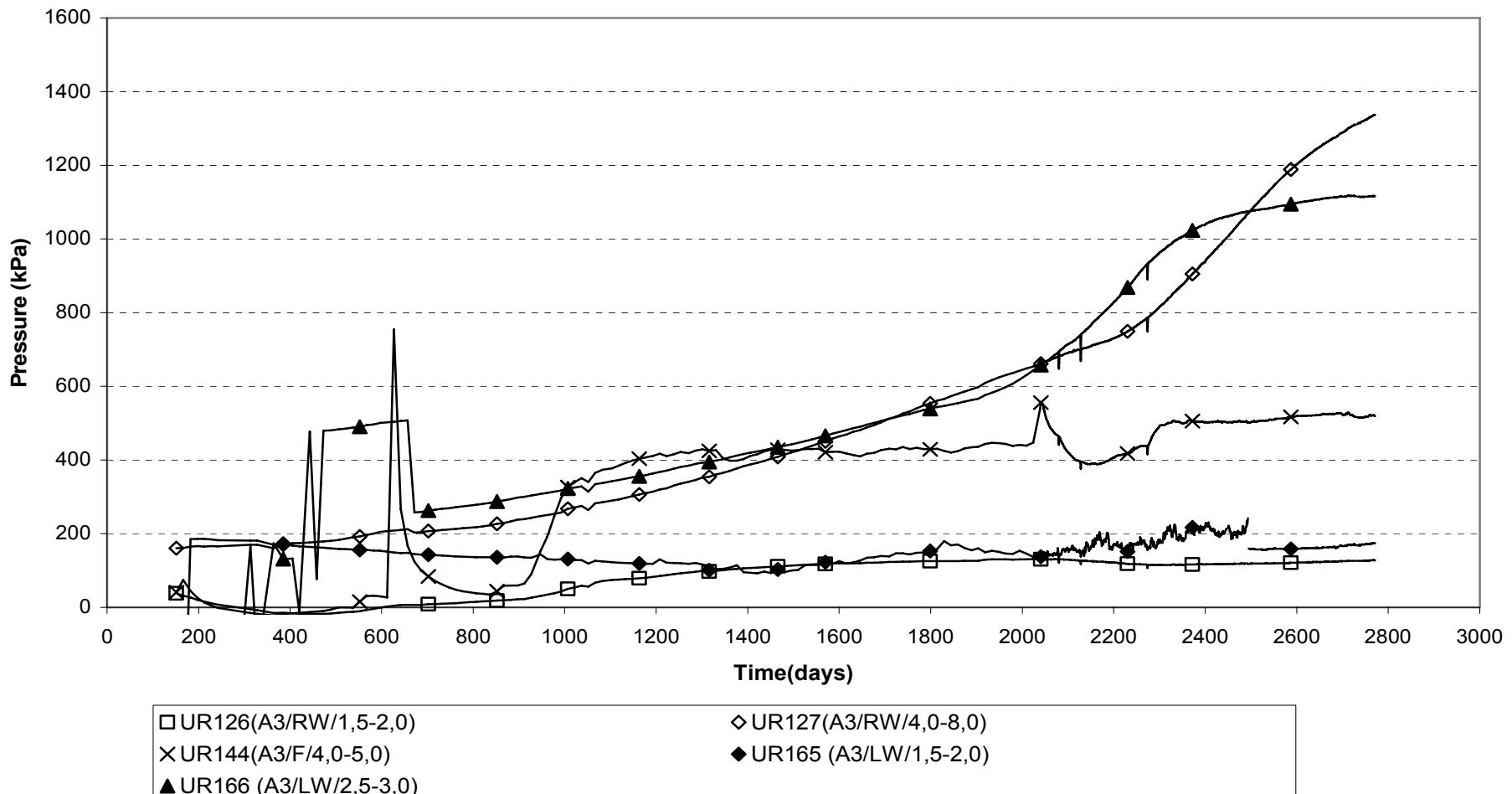
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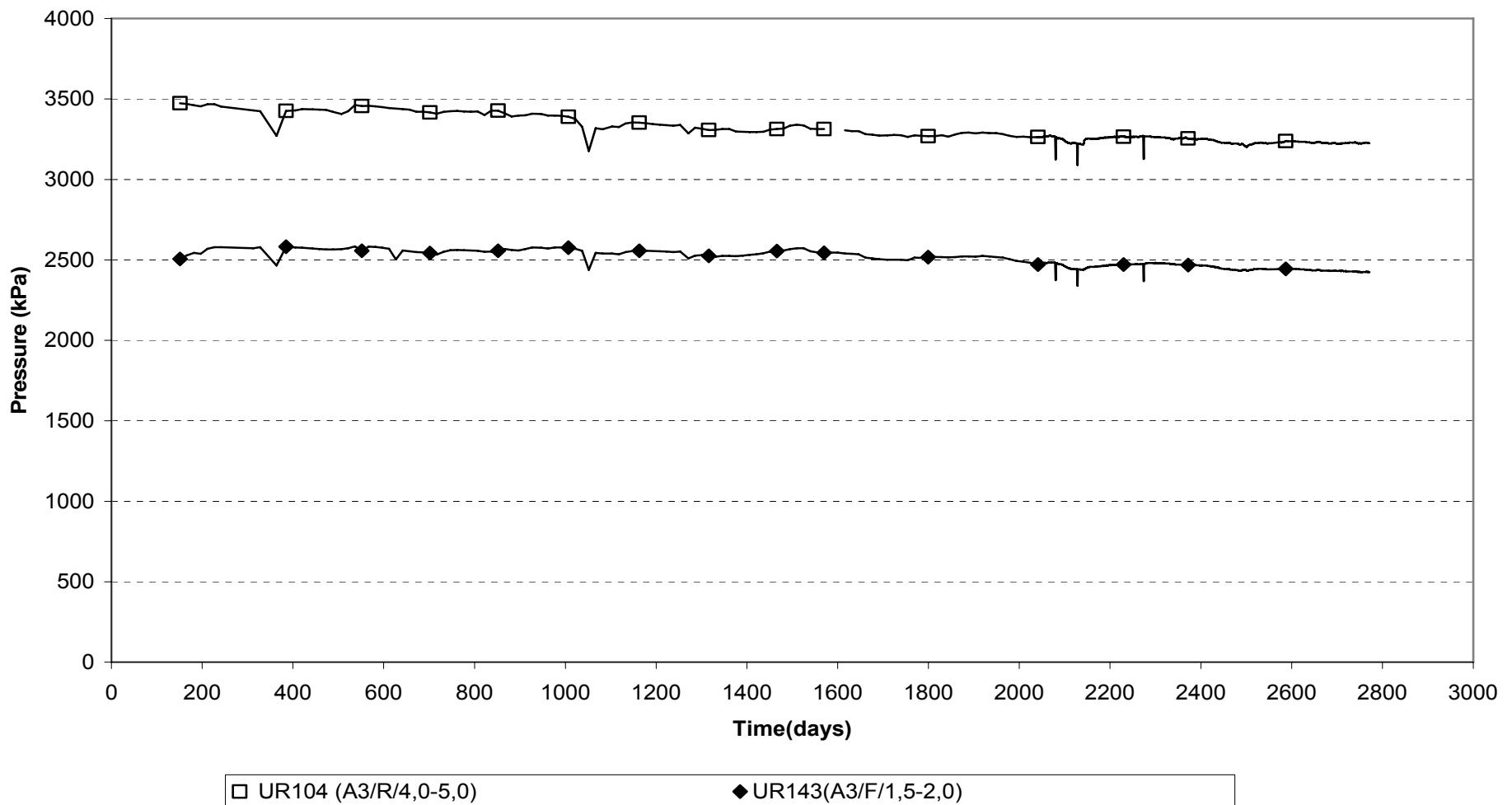
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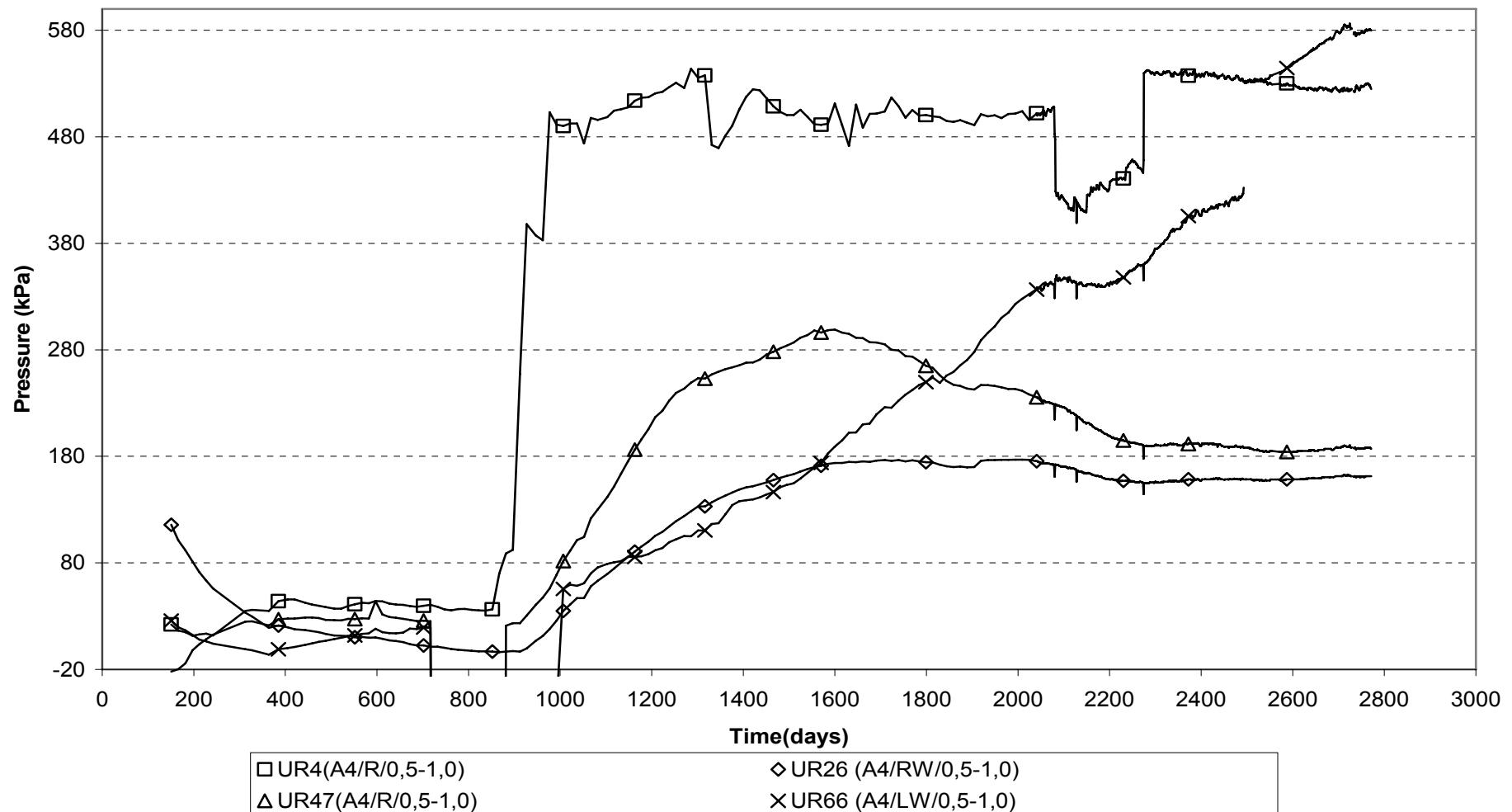
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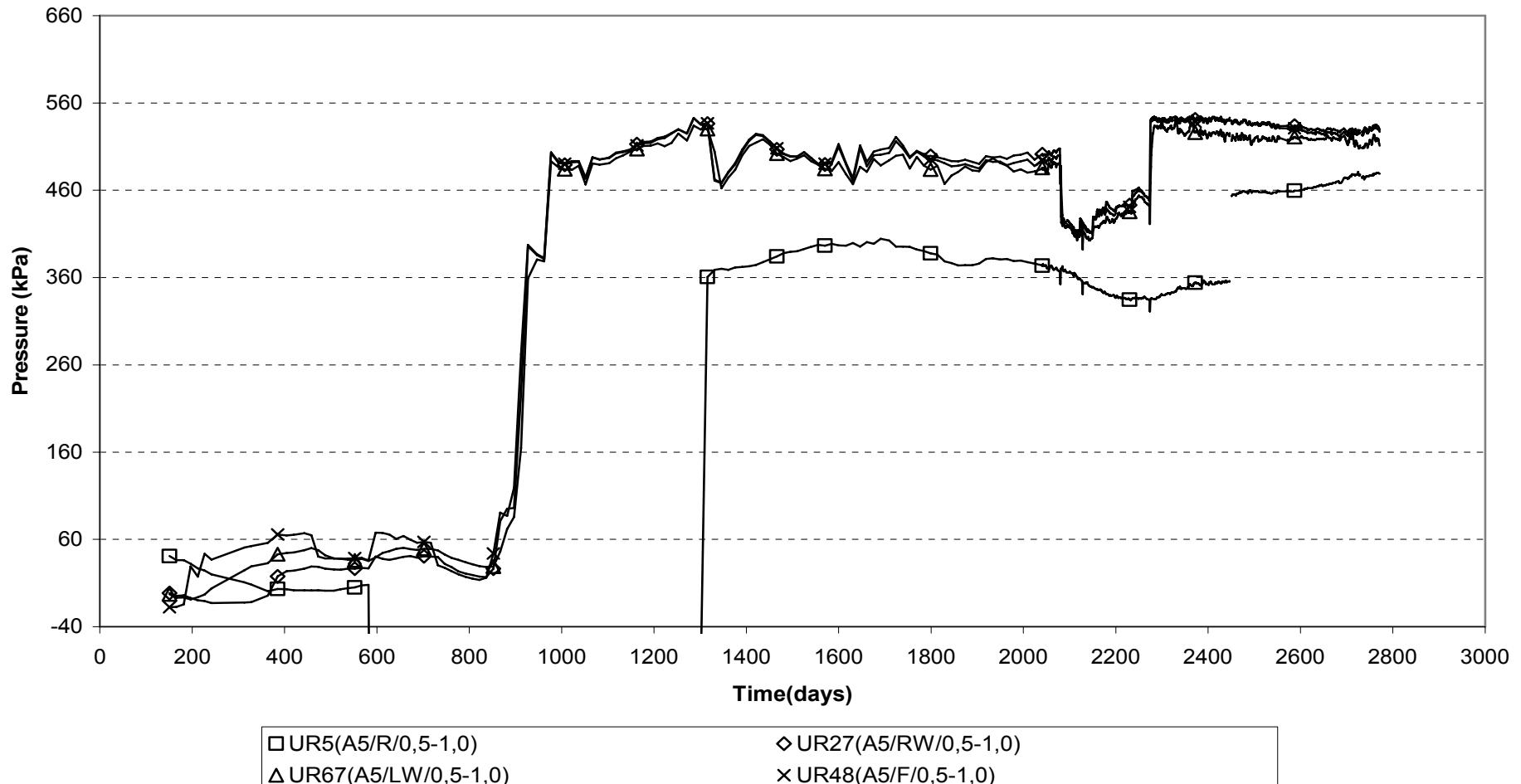
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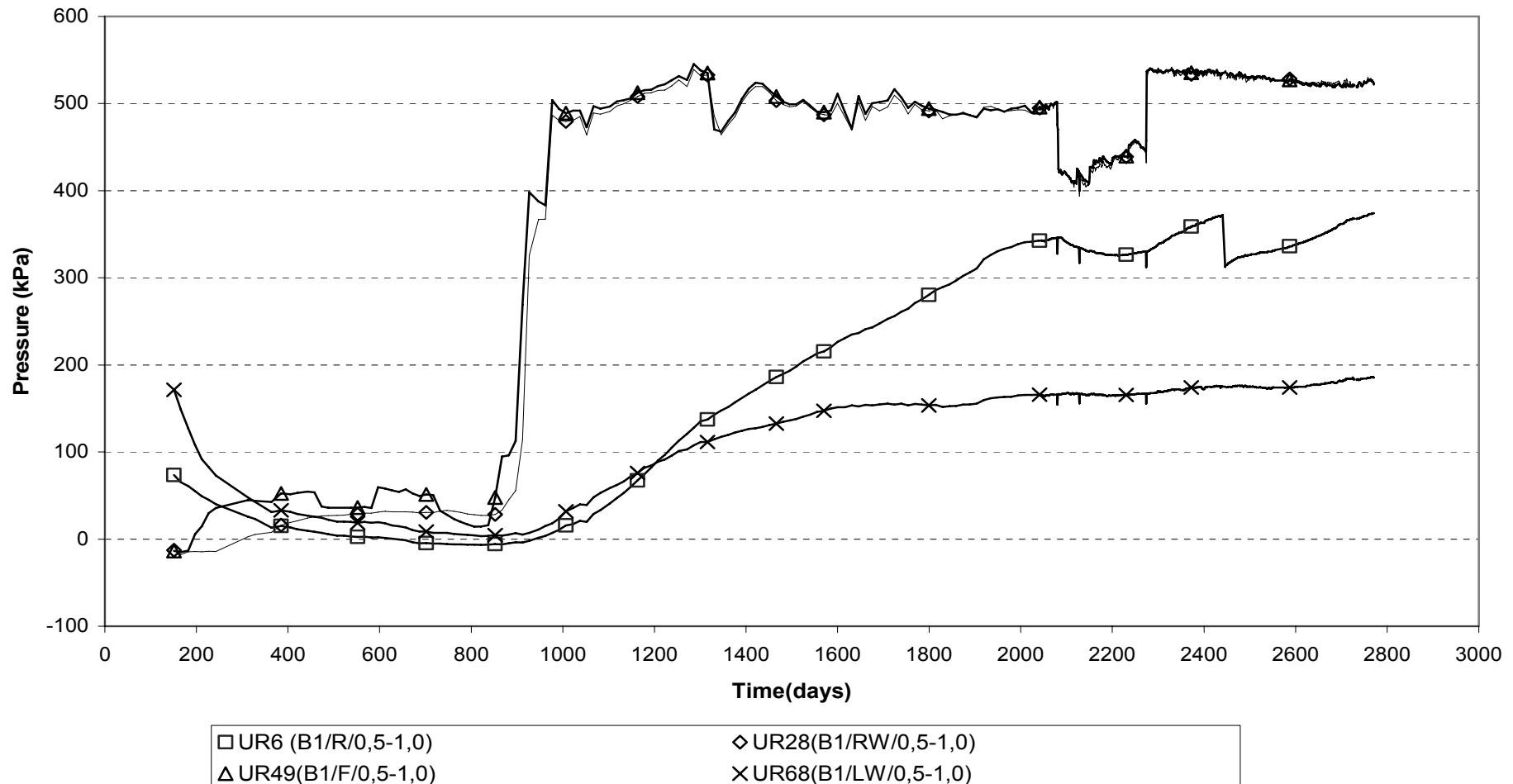
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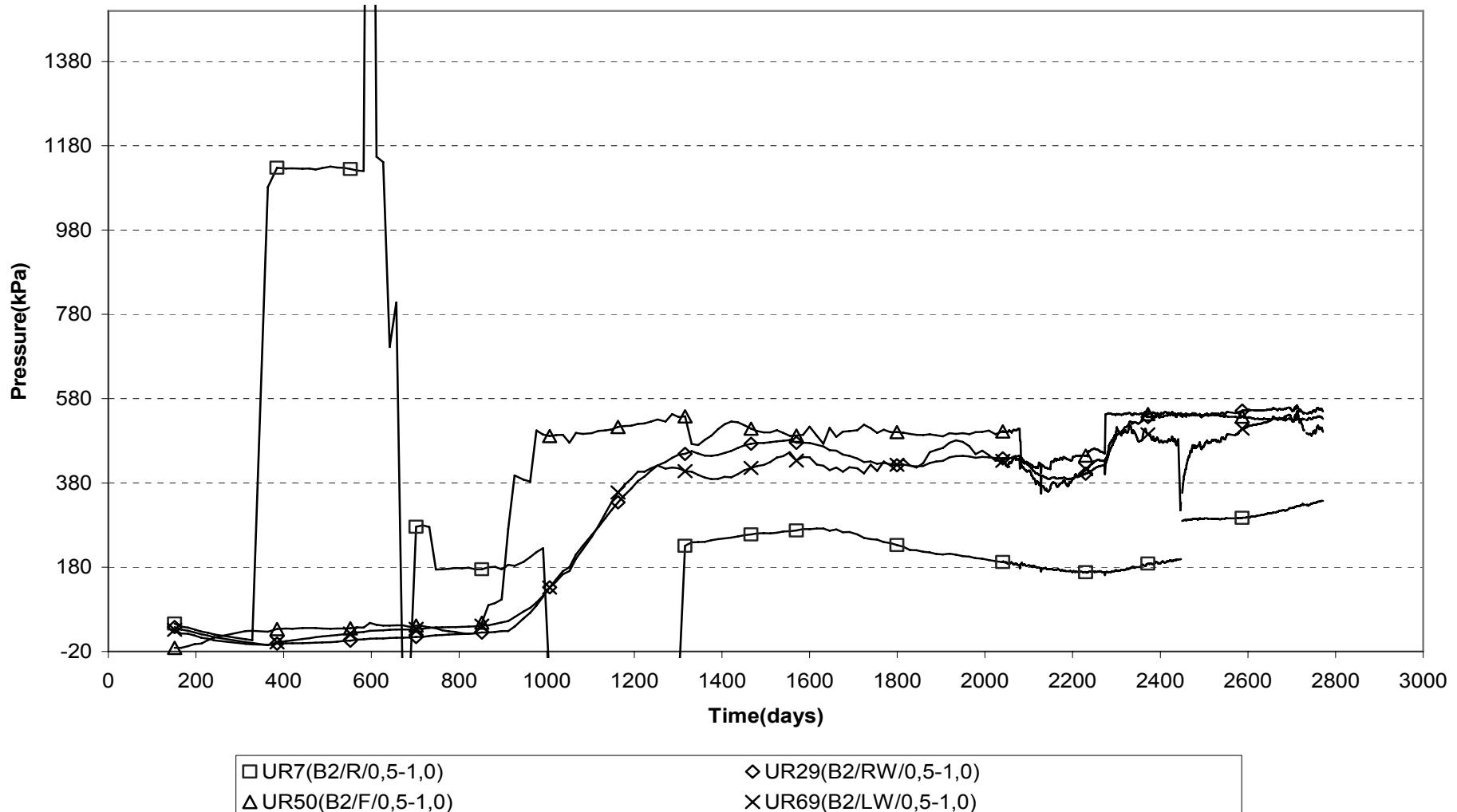
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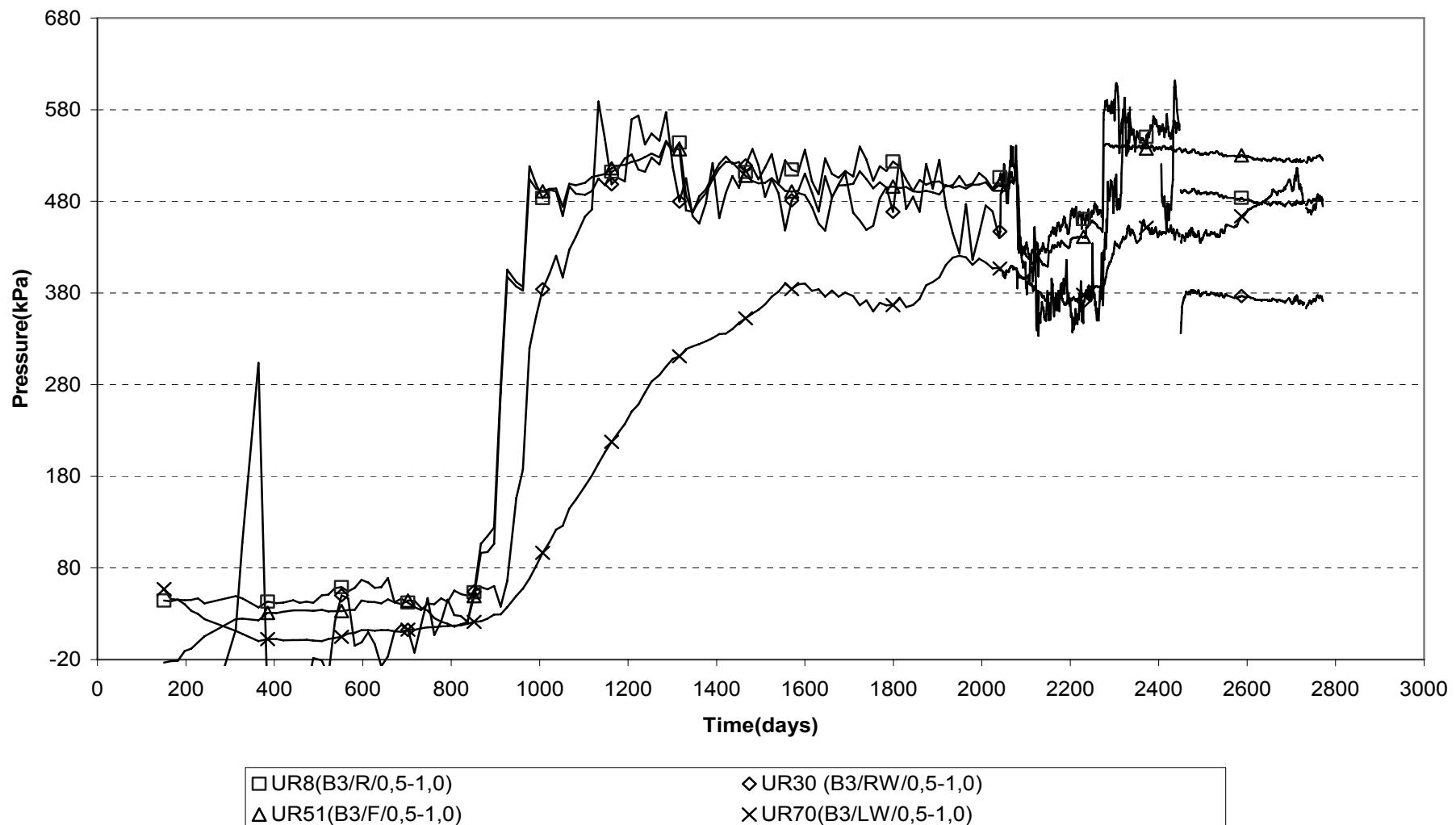
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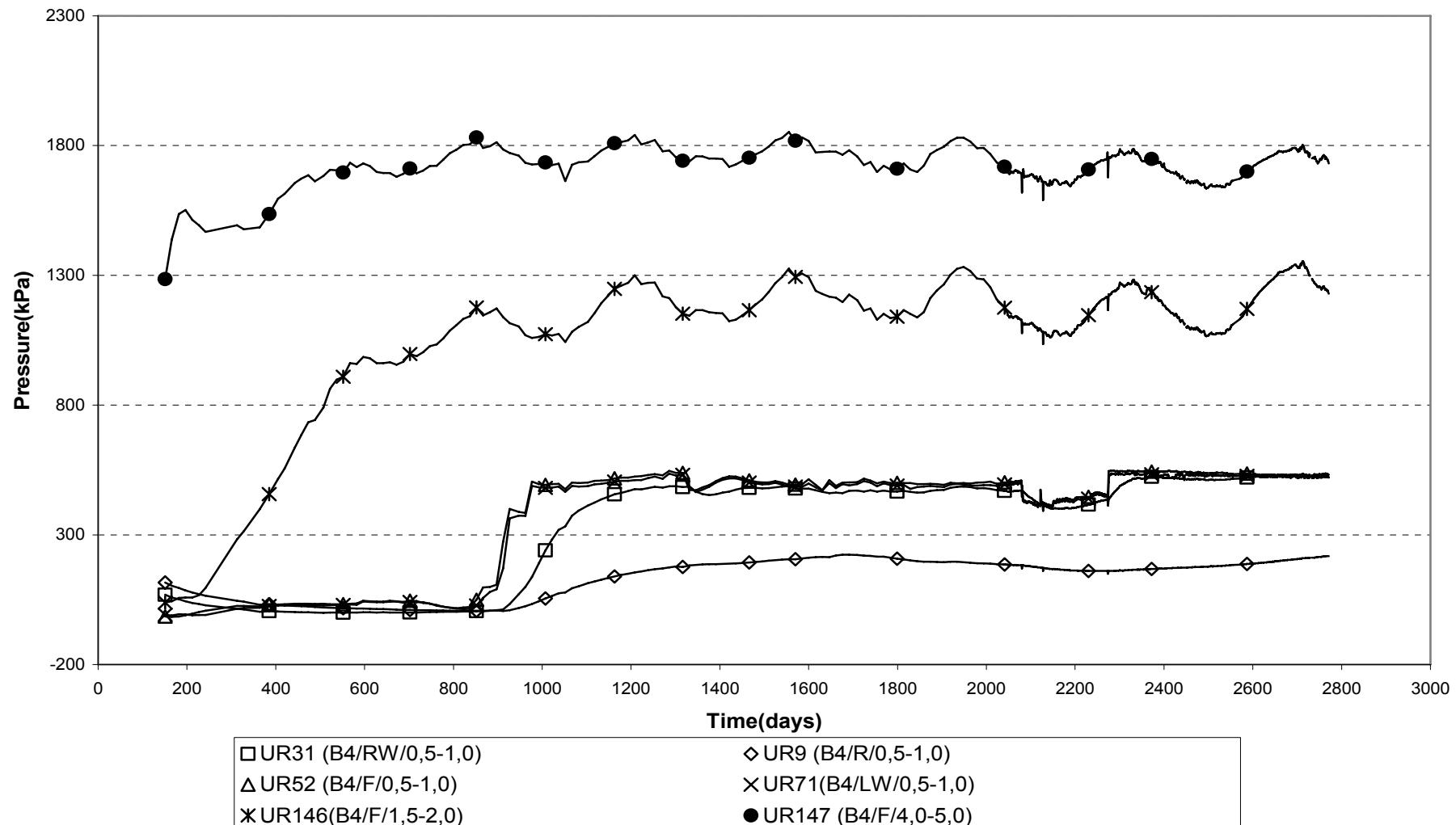
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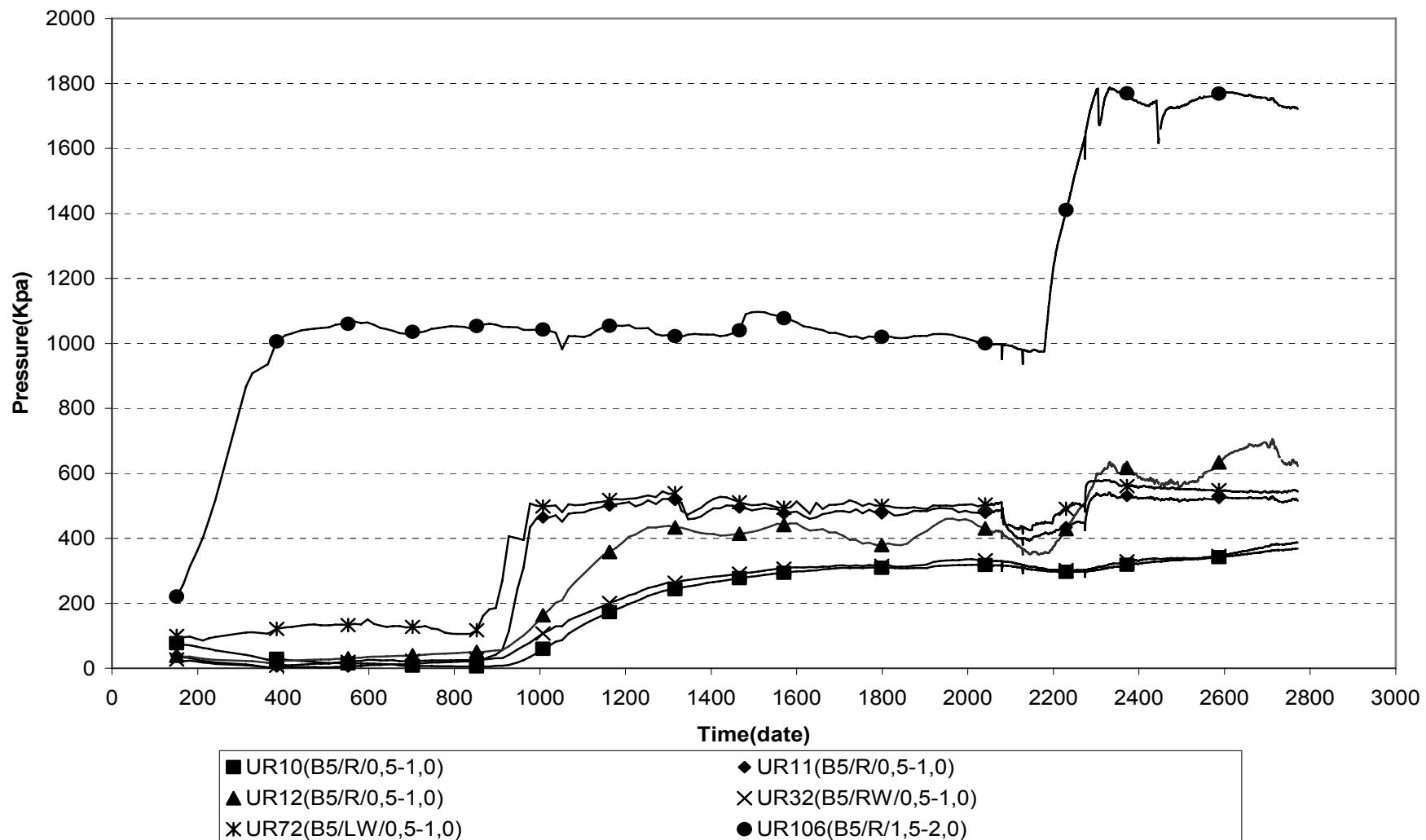
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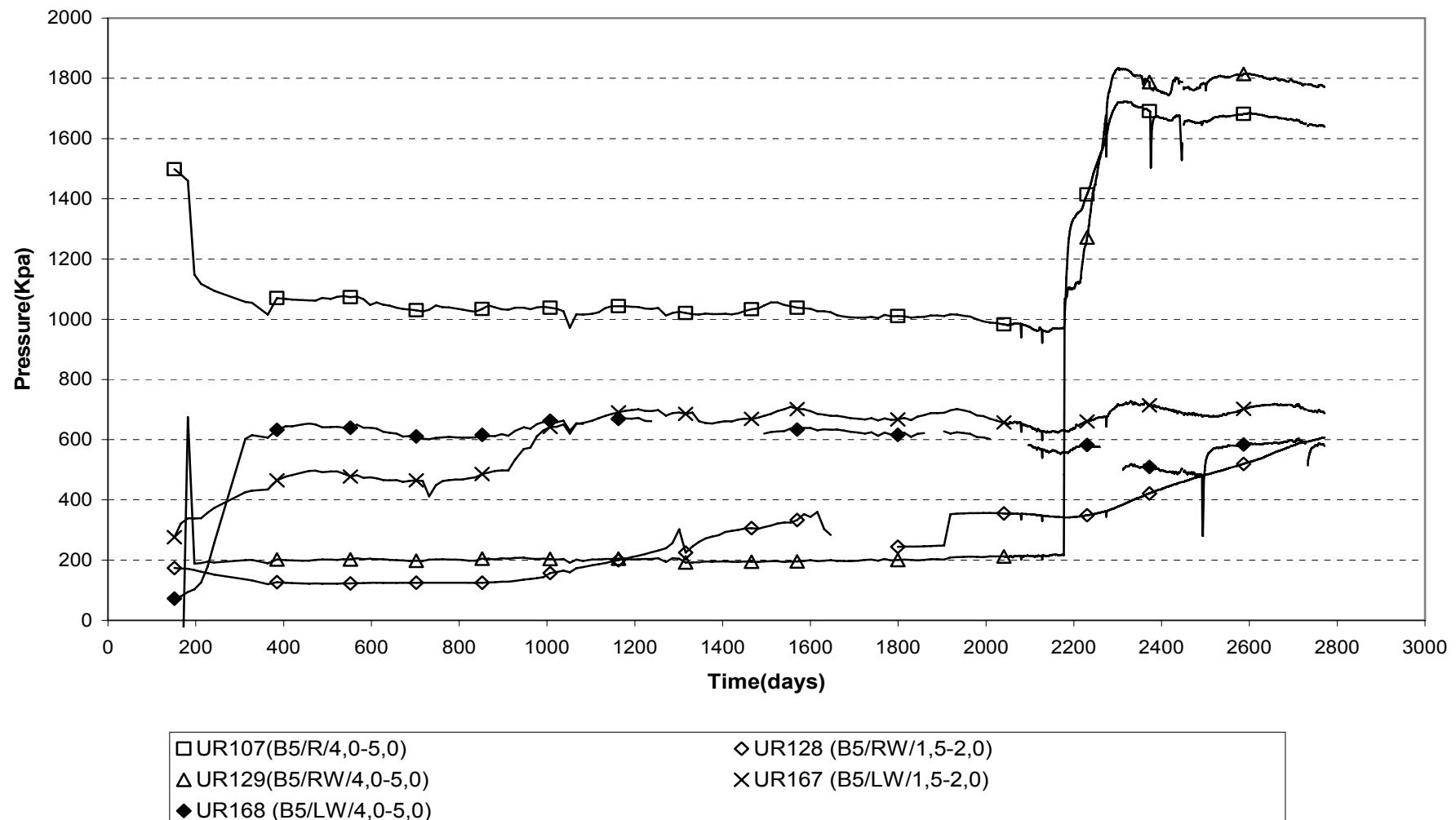
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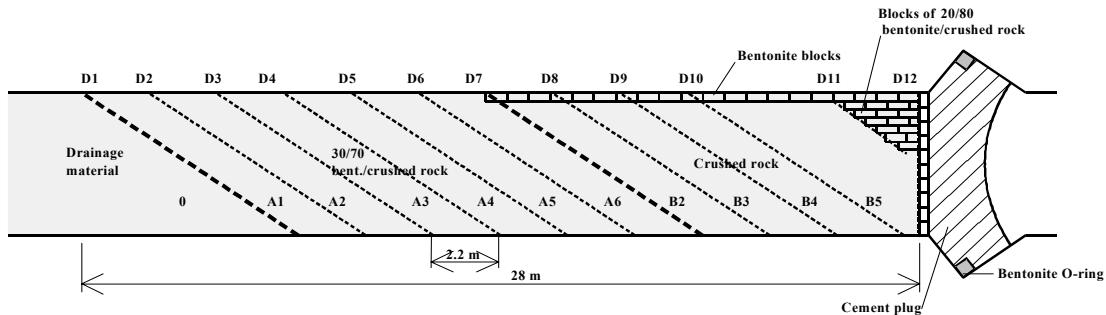


**Water pressure in bore holes section B5(9906-070101)**  
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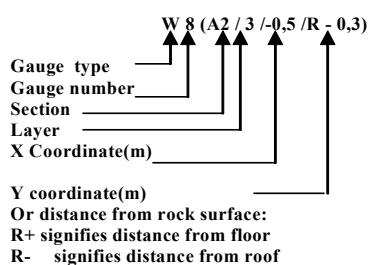


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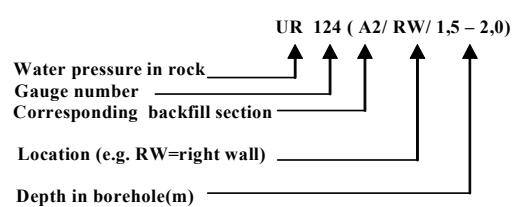
**Layout of the test**  
**Numbering of backfill sections and permeable mats**



## Backfill transducer



## Rock transducer



Gauge types:  
W=Water ratio  
U=Water pressure  
P=Total pressure

## **Co-ordinate system**

