

1 **SIMS bias on isotope ratios in Ca-Mg-Fe carbonates (Part III): $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ matrix
2 effects along the magnesite-siderite solid-solution series**

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21 **ABSTRACT**

22 This study explores the effects of cation composition on mass bias (*i.e.*, the matrix effect), which is a major
23 component of instrumental mass fractionation (IMF) in the microanalyses of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ by SIMS in carbonates
24 of the magnesite-siderite solid-solution series (MgCO_3 - FeCO_3). A suite of 12 calibration reference materials (RMs)
25 was developed and documented (calibrated range: $\text{Fe}\# = 0.002\text{--}0.997$, where $\text{Fe}\# = \text{molar Fe}/[\text{Mg}+\text{Fe}]$), along with
26 empirical expressions for regressing calibration data (affording residuals $<0.5\text{\textperthousand}$ relative to CRM NIST-19).

27 The calibration curves of both isotope systems are non-linear and have, over a 2-year period, fallen into one
28 of two distinct but largely self-consistent shape categories (data from 10 analytical sessions), despite adherence to
29 well-established analytical protocols for carbonate $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ analyses at WiscSIMS (CAMECA IMS 1280).
30 Mass bias was consistently most sensitive to changes in composition near the magnesite end-member ($\text{Fe}\# 0\text{--}0.2$),
31 deviating by up to $4.5\text{\textperthousand}$ ($\delta^{13}\text{C}$) and $14\text{\textperthousand}$ ($\delta^{18}\text{O}$) with increasing Fe-content.

32 The cause of variability in calibration curve shapes is not well understood at present, and demonstrates the
33 importance of having available a sufficient number of well-characterized RMs so that potential complexities of
34 curvature can be adequately delineated and accounted for on a session-by-session basis.

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37 **1. INTRODUCTION**

38 Here we present the third installment of our on-going study of instrumental mass
39 fractionation (IMF) and sample matrix effects (collectively referred to throughout as 'bias') in the
40 analysis of carbon and oxygen isotope ratios from Ca-Mg-Fe carbonates by secondary ion mass
41 spectrometry (SIMS). Building on early pioneering studies (*e.g.*, Eiler et al., 1997a; Valley et al.,
42 1997; Fayeck et al., 2001; Riciputi et al., 1998), we recently provided an empirical
43 characterization of SIMS $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias for the dolomite-ankerite solid-solution series
44 ($\text{CaMg}(\text{CO}_3)_2$ - $\text{CaFe}(\text{CO}_3)_2$) and documented the development of a suite of micro-analytical
45 reference materials (RMs) (Śliwiński et al., 2016a, 2016b). The focus here is on the basic

elements of the bias response from carbonate compositions that fall along the complete solid-solution that exists between the siderite (FeCO_3) and magnesite (MgCO_3) end-members of the Ca-Mg-Fe carbonate ternary (e.g., Chai and Navrotsky, 1996; Chang et al., 1998). Carbonates of the siderite-magnesite series are encountered in many different geological environments; they occur, for example: 1) as siderite concretions in marine and fresh-water sediments (Curtis et al., 1972, 1986; Curtis, 1995; Gautier, 1982; Mozley, 1989a, 1989b; Postma, 1982); 2) as siderite nodules in wetland soils and sediments of the globe's humid climatic belts (Ludvigson et al., 2013, 1998; Sheldon and Tabor, 2009; Tabor and Myers, 2015; Ufnar et al., 2004); 3) as cements in sandstones and mudstones (Burley and Worden, 2003; Macquaker et al., 1997; Morad, 1998); 4) as ore-grade siderite and magnesite deposits (e.g., Fernández-Nieto et al., 2003; Frost, 1982); 5) in the extensive banded iron-formation (BIFs) of the Precambrian (e.g., James, 1954; Klein, 2005, see Figs. 1 and 2 therein); 6) in association with evaporitic sediments (e.g., Bauluz et al., 1996; Botz and von der Borch, 1984; Lugli et al., 2001; Luzon et al., 2009; Mayayo et al., 1996; Mees and Keppens, 2013; Sanz-Montero and Rodríguez-Aranda, 2012); 7) in carbonatite complexes (*i.e.*, carbonate mineral-rich intrusive or extrusive igneous rock bodies; e.g., Buckley and Woolley, 1990); 8) as inclusions in mantle diamonds (e.g., Dobrzhinetskaya et al., 2001; Kaminsky et al., 2013; Sobolev et al., 1997; Wang et al., 1996); and 8) as a product of weathering or hydrothermal alteration of igneous and metamorphic rock bodies rich in Ca-Mg-Fe silicate minerals (e.g., olivine, pyroxene, plagioclase, feldspars; e.g., Chang et al., 1998 and references therein); such environments are being explored as one of many natural analogues to engineered CO_2 storage (e.g., Power and Southam, 2005; Power et al., 2013; Wilson et al., 2009).

Carbonate compositions of the magnesites-siderite series are found in Martian meteorites (e.g., Eiler et al., 2002; Niles et al., 2013), where they co-occur with members of the dolomite-ankerite series and other, more unusual compositions (from a terrestrial perspective) that are not constrained to either of these two solid-solutions. Similar compositions have been discovered in hydrothermally altered volcanic deposits in Spitzbergen (e.g., Treiman et al., 2002) and are being explored as potential terrestrial analogues for understanding the formation of Martian carbonates (e.g., Blake et al., 2010; Morris et al., 2011; Stern et al., 2013 and references therein).

The isotopic ratios of carbon and oxygen are widely used in the geosciences as proxies for inferring the conditions of carbonate formation; of interest most commonly is the temperature of mineral precipitation, the source(s) of carbon, and the nature/source of the fluids involved (e.g., marine, meteoric, mixed or hydrothermal waters). Variations in the $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ signatures of pedogenic (soil) carbonates, for example, are frequently used as indicators of past ecologic and climatic change on the continents (Dworkin et al., 2005; Sheldon and Tabor, 2009; Suarez et al., 2010). As a further example, $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ records continue to be of interest for gaining insights into the diagenetic and metamorphic history of banded iron-formation (e.g., Beukes et al., 1989; Beukes and Klein, 1990; Heimann et al., 2010; Kaufman et al., 1990b; Perry et al., 1973), as well as to make inferences about the unique paleoenvironmental conditions under which they formed, at least in so far as iron-formation carbonates constitute a suitable

86 proxy for the chemistry of ancient seawater and atmospheric CO₂ levels (see Heimann et al.,
87 2010; Johnson et al., 2013). In many cases, however, the 'full-range' of isotope values within a
88 sample (or some close approximation thereof) cannot be resolved and interpreted due to the
89 technical limitations of the sampling methods employed in conventional isotope ratio mass
90 spectrometry. This commonly involves generating sample powders by micro-drilling domains
91 that are hundreds of micrometers in diameter (leading to potential signal averaging effects,
92 especially in instances where multiple carbonate phases are present and crystal size is small).

93 The motivation for this research grew out of a need for RMs in the wake of recent
94 technical advances in carbonate $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ microanalysis by SIMS, and the potential
95 applicability of this technique to intensifying research efforts concerned with geologic carbon-
96 sequestration (McGrail et al., 2016; Śliwiński et al., 2017). Isotope ratios in carbonates can now
97 be routinely measured in-situ from micrometer-scale sample domains with sub-per mil (‰)
98 repeatability (*sensu* VIM 2008, 2.20 and 2.21) (Valley and Kita, 2009). The accuracy of
99 measurement (*sensu* VIM 2008, 2.13) in relation to a certified reference material (e.g., NIST-19),
100 however, depends in large-part on the availability and overall quality of matrix-matched RMs.
101 That is, accuracy is limited by the extent to which RMs are chemically and isotopically
102 homogenous on the spatial scale of intended use, and a sufficient number of these are needed to
103 adequately characterize bias as a function of chemical composition (e.g., Hervig et al., 1992;
104 Valley and Kita, 2009). For many mineral families wherein the compositional end-members
105 form extensive or complete solid-solutions with one-another – such as the carbonates – proper
106 standardization remains a work in-progress for the community of SIMS laboratories around the
107 world.

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110 2. METHODS

111 The methodology employed is documented in detail in the first two parts of this study
112 (Śliwiński et al., 2016a, 2016b). Thus, only a skeletal outline is provided here.

113 Clean grain splits (425-710 μm size-fraction) of 38 different naturally-occurring
114 carbonate mineral specimens of the magnesite-siderite series (Table 1) were prepped after
115 extracting approximately one-half to 1 cm^3 of the clearest or most visually-uniform domain of
116 each sample. A suite of polished grain mounts was prepared and all 38 test materials were first
117 evaluated for chemical zoning by BSE-SEM imaging (each grain mount contained twenty
118 randomly-selected grains of five different specimens). The most visually uniform test materials
119 (17 of the 38 in total) were then assessed by EPMA for variance in chemical composition
120 (typically 3 spot analyses randomly placed on each of 20 grains) and later by SIMS to determine
121 the extent of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ uniformity (typically 1 spot on each of 20 grains). SIMS
122 measurements were made using the CAMECA IMS 1280 large radius multicollector ion
123 microprobe at the WiscSIMS Laboratory, Department of Geoscience, University of Wisconsin-
124 Madison). Thirteen of these test materials (Table 1) were considered acceptable and lastly
125 analyzed by conventional phosphoric acid digestion (12 hours, 100°C) and gas-source mass

126 spectrometry (McCrea, 1950) to calibrate the average $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values relative to VPDB and
127 VSMOW, respectively. In each case, a single 25-50 mg subsample of grains was powdered and
128 three separate digestions were performed on ~5-mg splits. Phosphoric acid-fractionation factors
129 for $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ measurements calculated based on composition using the formulation of Rosenbaum
130 and Sheppard (1986).

131 Chemical homogeneity evaluations by EPMA were performed using either a 1-, 5- or 10-
132 μm diameter beam (CAMECA SX-51 or SXFive FE, operated at 15 keV and 10-20 nA; see
133 Supplementary Appendix 1 for RM-specific details). Fluorescent x-ray signals on all spectral
134 peak positions (Mg, Ca, Mn and Fe $\text{K}\alpha$ peaks, Sr-La) were measured for either 60 or 120
135 seconds. The guiding principle was to acquire at least 10,000 background-corrected Fe- $\text{K}\alpha$ or
136 Mg- $\text{K}\alpha$ counts from the near end-member compositions that contain low concentrations of these
137 elements (< 2 mol.%); this ensures that the relative standard deviation associated with x-ray
138 counting statistics remains below 1%. Spectral background corrections were implemented using
139 the Mean Atomic Number (MAN) method described by Donovan and Tingle (1996). During the
140 course of a point analysis, the intensities of characteristic x-rays fluorescing from electron beam-
141 sensitive materials can drift; this effect was monitored and corrected by a feature in Probe for
142 EPMA software (Donovan et al. 2007) called 'TDI' (time-dependent intensity), where data
143 plotted in *measured x-ray intensity* vs. *time* space are de-trended before ZAF corrections are
144 applied.

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146 3. A NOTE ON TERMINOLOGY AND DATA PRESENTATION

147 Measurements of carbon and oxygen isotope ratios in carbonate minerals by SIMS are
148 affected by systematic inaccuracies arising from mass fractionation effects, a component of
149 which is instrumental in nature. Fractionation occurs: 1) during secondary ion formation at the
150 sample surface (sputtering); 2) during uptake and transmission through the mass spectrometer;
151 and then again 3) during detection (e.g., Eiler et al., 1997b; Fitzsimons et al., 2000; Hervig et al.,
152 1992; Huberty et al., 2010; Valley and Kita, 2009). A further component of mass fractionation is
153 related to sample composition, which varies systematically in minerals that exhibit solid-solution
154 behavior (*i.e.*, the sample matrix effect) (e.g., Eiler et al., 1997a,b; Ickert and Stern, 2013;
155 Kitajima et al., 2015; Page et al., 2010; Riciputi et al., 1998; Śliwiński et al., 2016a, 2016b).

156 For a given SIMS configuration, these collective effects can be highly consistent across
157 analytical sessions spread over a multi-year period (Śliwiński et al., 2016a, 2016b). Throughout
158 this article, we will refer to the sum total of these effects as the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ "bias." As defined
159 by the International Vocabulary of Metrology (VIM, 2008), "measurement bias" is an "estimate
160 of a systematic measurement error" (2.18, VIM 2008), the effects of which can be compensated
161 for by a correction or calibration. A systematic measurement error, the causes of which can be
162 known or unknown, is the "component of measurement error that in replicate measurements
163 remains constant or varies in a predictable manner (2.17, VIM 2008)."

164 At present, secondary ion yields and the bias imparted to isotope ratios during sputtering
165 cannot be accurately predicted from first principles for naturally-occurring minerals and glasses.

166 Further, the relative contributions of instrumental *vs.* sample matrix effects to the total
167 measurement bias are unknown (see, however, the work of Fàbrega et al., 2017). Nonetheless,
168 carbonate $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values can be determined accurately by SIMS with proper
169 standardization. Critically, bias can vary from session to session due to variations in instrumental
170 parameters. For carbonate solid-solutions, this requires a sufficient number of well-characterized
171 RMs to empirically characterize bias as a function of chemical composition on a session-by-
172 session basis.

173 The bias associated with SIMS measurements of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values from RMs is
174 expressed as follows:

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$$176 \quad \alpha^{18}\text{O}_{\text{SIMS}} = \frac{1 + (\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{raw}}/1000)}{1 + (\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{VSMOW}}/1000)} \quad (\text{Eq. 1})$$

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$$178 \quad \alpha^{13}\text{C}_{\text{SIMS}} = \frac{1 + (\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{raw}}/1000)}{1 + (\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{VPDB}}/1000)} \quad (\text{Eq. 2})$$

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180 (modified after Kita et al., 2009). For each RM, the terms ' $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{raw}}$ ' and ' $\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{raw}}$ ' represent the
181 measured $^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O}$ and $^{13}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C}$ ratios that have been corrected for background, drift, and detector
182 dead-time (if electron multipliers are used) and respectively normalized to the $^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O}$ ratio in
183 Vienna Standard Mean Ocean ($^{18}\text{O}/^{16}\text{O}_{\text{VSMOW}} = 0.00200520$ Baertschi, 1976) and the $^{13}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C}$
184 ratio in the Vienna Pee-Dee Belemnite ($^{13}\text{C}/^{12}\text{C}_{\text{VPDB}} = 0.0112372$; Allison et al., 1995; Craig,
185 1957). They are thus expressed in the customary way as per mil deviations (‰; δ-notation) from
186 the accepted values of the VSMOW and VPDB certified reference materials (CRMs). However,
187 both terms are bias-uncorrected and are therefore not accurate relative to VSMOW and VPDB.
188 The terms ' $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{VSMOW}}$ ' and ' $\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{VPDB}}$ ', on the other hand, represent the average $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$
189 values of the same RM that have been independently calibrated to the VSMOW and VPDB
190 scales by conventional phosphoric acid digestion and gas-source mass spectrometric analysis.

191 Values of $\alpha^{18}\text{O}_{\text{SIMS}}$ and $\alpha^{13}\text{C}_{\text{SIMS}}$ (eq. 1 and 2) are generally close to unity, and are
192 therefore consistently expressed throughout this article using δ-notation and referred to as the
193 'δ¹⁸O bias' and 'δ¹³C bias,' respectively:

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$$195 \quad \text{bias (‰)} = 1000 \cdot (\alpha - 1) \quad (\text{Eq. 3})$$

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197 where α is either $\alpha^{18}\text{O}_{\text{SIMS}}$ or $\alpha^{13}\text{C}_{\text{SIMS}}$.

198 All equations presented here are formulated such that all mathematical operations
199 involving multiplication or division are performed on α -terms, explicitly avoiding the common
200 approximation where: $\delta_A - \delta_B \cong 1000\ln(\alpha_{A-B})$. Thus, for example, if two or more isotope
201 ratios expressed using δ-notation are to be multiplied and/or divided, they are first converted to
202 α -values, multiplied and/or divided, and finally converted back to isotope δ-values.

203 In order to construct working calibration curves that relate bias to chemical composition,
204 the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias of each RM was normalized (or "anchored") to that of end-member
205 magnesite (UWMgs1):

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$$\delta^{13}\text{C} \text{ or } \delta^{18}\text{O} \text{ bias}^*(\text{RM} - \text{UWMgs1})(\text{\%}) = 1000 \cdot \left[\frac{1 + (\text{bias}_{\text{RM}}/1000)}{1 + (\text{bias}_{\text{UWMgs1}}/1000)} - 1 \right] \quad (\text{Eq. 4})$$

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209 The '*' symbol indicates a normalized bias value. The associated propagation of analytical
210 uncertainties are of the same general form as that reported in Śliwiński *et al.* (2016a;
211 Supplemental Appendix S5).

212 In cross-plotting and examining $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias as a function of cation chemistry of
213 the magnesite-siderite series, the composition is consistently expressed as the Fe/(Mg+Fe) molar
214 ratio (*i.e.*, the Fe#).

215 Uncertainties associated with SIMS $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ measurements are reported in one of
216 two ways:

217 1) As a standard deviation value (at the 95% confidence level) for a sample of a
218 population ($2s = 2\sqrt{\frac{\sum(x - \bar{x})^2}{(n-1)}}$, where \bar{x} is the average (statistical mean) of a set of n values). This
219 is relevant in reporting: 1) the level of isotopic homogeneity of each evaluated RM (where the
220 intent is to show the extent to which individual measurements are spread about the mean), and 2)
221 the measurement precision for a single sample spot-analysis (based on the $2s$ value of 8 repeat
222 measurements of a drift-monitoring material that brackets each set of ~ 10 sample
223 measurements).

224 2) As a standard error of the mean (at the 95% confidence level) for a sample of a
225 population ($2se = 2s/\sqrt{n}$, where n is the number of observations). This is particularly relevant
226 to calibration diagrams, where the $2se$ value reflects upon how well the average is known for
227 each set of replicate RM measurements. As the number of replicate measurements (n) increases,
228 the average value calculated for each RM becomes a more reliable estimate of each respective
229 population average. Uncertainties associated with regression parameters are also expressed as
230 $2se$ values.

231 A useful review of the uncertainties associated with SIMS measurements can be found,
232 for example, in Fitzsimons *et al.* (2000).

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234 4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

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236 4.1. SUMMARY OF CHEMICAL HOMOGENEITY ASSESSMENTS

237 The calibration suite consists of 12 reference materials (see Table 1). The complete solid-
238 solution that exists between the magnesite (MgCO_3) and siderite (FeCO_3) end-members is
239 uniformly represented by 11 different carbonate compositions (Fe# 0.002 to 0.997; see Table 2).
240 Note that two of the materials sourced from different localities (UWMgs4 and 5a,b) share a
241 similar cation chemistry but are isotopically dissimilar (making for 12 RMs in total). Variability

242 in the molar Fe/(Mg+Fe) ratio (*i.e.*, Fe#) is as small as 0.001 (2s) and does not exceed 0.022 (2s)
243 Fe# units. For most RMs in the suite, the relative standard measurement uncertainty ($100 \times 2s/average$; 95% confidence level) falls between 0.1 and 13.7%. The relatively high value (33.6%)
244 associated with UWMgs2 – which contains 1.25% FeCO₃ – reflects greater chemical
245 heterogeneity compared to all other RMs in the suite, requiring a larger number of replicate
246 analyses for routine use (typically at least 8). In the case of the magnesite end-member
247 (UWMgs1), however, the high relative standard measurement uncertainty value (49%) is
248 associated with only a trace concentration of Fe (0.17% FeCO₃), which has no measurable effect
249 on $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ or $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias.
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251 Less than 1% MnCO₃ is present in RM compositions near the magnesite end-member
252 (Fe# < 0.15), whereas all others generally contain <5% (the one exception is UWSd4, with
253 8.35%). The entire suite contains up to ~1% CaCO₃ and no detectable Sr (detection limit of
254 0.001% SrCO₃).

255 The complete EPMA dataset is provided as a Supplementary Appendix (1).

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257 **4.2. SUMMARY OF ISOTOPIC HOMOGENEITY ASSESSMENTS**

258 The level of isotopic homogeneity of each RM on the microanalytical scale was assessed
259 using a 10-μm diameter spot-size for $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and a 6-μm spot-size for $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ measurements.
260 Typically, ~20 different grains were analyzed once each.

261 Of the 12 RMs in total, 8 yielded $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ datasets with $2s < 0.56\text{\textperthousand}$ (2s; see Table 1). An
262 additional 3 RMs yielded 2s values within $\pm 0.86\text{\textperthousand}$, and are considered to be routinely usable for
263 calibration if the 2se value is driven to $\approx 0.3\text{\textperthousand}$ with a sufficient number of replicate
264 measurements (approximately 8 measurements are required in this case from a handful of grains,
265 whereas more uniform RMs require as little as four). For reference consider that a 2s value of
266 0.3‰ is expected for $n = 4$ replicate measurements performed on a nominally homogenous
267 material; this is based on considerations of ion counting statistics, overall instrument stability and
268 slight mount-specific differences in $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias values measured from drift-monitoring materials
269 (*e.g.* Kita et al., 2009; Valley and Kita, 2009). In the case of RMs with slight heterogeneity, a 2s
270 value of up to approximately $\pm 0.5\text{\textperthousand}$ is considered acceptable. Reference material UWMgs7 is
271 not preferred for routine use on account of a 2s value of 1.89‰ and the large number of replicate
272 measurements (20+) required to drive the 2se value to 0.4‰. However, data for this material is
273 being presented because it nonetheless provides critical insight into the magnitude of SIMS $\delta^{18}\text{O}$
274 bias in the compositional range between Fe# 0.2 to 0.4, for which it was difficult to obtain
275 samples in sufficient quantity for RM development.

276 All 12 RMs yielded $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ datasets with 2s values $< 1.0\text{\textperthousand}$ (2s; Table 1). Based on the same
277 considerations as above, a 2s value of 0.6-1.2‰ is expected for $n = 4$ replicate measurements
278 using the instrumental configuration and analytical protocol employed at WiscSIMS for small-
279 spot carbonate $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ analyses (6-μm diameter spot-size). Please note that in comparison to
280 oxygen, measurements of carbon isotope ratios are inherently more variable because: 1) carbon
281 has a lower ionization efficiency than oxygen under comparable primary ion beam conditions,

282 and 2) carbon comprises only 20% of all atoms in the carbonate crystal structure (compared to
283 oxygen which accounts for 60%), requiring the use of an electron multiplier for detecting the
284 secondary $^{13}\text{C}^-$ ion stream.

285 Replicate $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ measurements of mg-sized grain-splits of each RM by
286 phosphoric acid digestion and gas-source mass spectrometry yielded $2s$ values no larger than
287 0.14‰ and 0.04‰, respectively (Appendix A). The range of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values represented by the
288 entire suite extends from 7.92 to 16.99‰ VSMOW (-22.30 to -13.50‰ VPDB), whereas the
289 $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ range extends from -11.97 to -0.32‰ VPDB.

290 The complete SIMS dataset is provided as a Supplementary Appendix (2).

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292 4.3. CALIBRATIONS (OVERVIEW)

293 In the first two parts of this study, we empirically constrained the behavior of SIMS $\delta^{18}\text{O}$
294 and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias for carbonate mineral compositions of the dolomite-ankerite solid-solution series
295 and introduced the use of a Hill-type equation (Goutelle et al., 2008; Hill, 1910) as an adequate
296 means of mathematically modeling the highly non-linear distribution of calibration data in
297 composition *vs.* bias space (equation 4 in Śliwiński et al., 2016a, 2016b):

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$$\delta^{18}\text{O} \text{ or } \delta^{13}\text{C} \text{ bias}^* (\text{RM} - \text{RM}_{\text{end-member dolomite}}) = \frac{(\text{Bias}^*_{\text{max}}) x^n}{k^n + x^n} \quad (\text{Eq. 5})$$

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301 where 'x' = Fe#, 'k' and 'n' are curve-shape parameters and ' $\text{Bias}^*_{\text{max}}$ ' is an analytical session-
302 specific scaling factor. Note that the bias of each RM is normalized to that of an end-member
303 dolomite ('UW6220' at WiscSIMS), which serves as the 'anchor' for the dolomite-ankerite series
304 (the asterisk denotes that bias values have been normalized to the calibration anchor). Under
305 routine operating conditions for carbonate $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ analysis at WiscSIMS, this equation has
306 been reliably applied over a 3-year period using the same set of curve-shape parameter values to
307 regress calibration data acquired using: 1) 10-µm spot-size $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ analysis conditions; 2) 3-µm
308 spot-size $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ conditions; and 3) 6-µm spot-size $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ conditions (additional calibration datasets
309 have been acquired since publication of Parts I and II of this study (*e.g.*, Brodie 2016, Haroldson,
310 2017), but no significant changes in the values of the curve-shape parameters have been
311 observed).

312 Unlike the dolomite-ankerite bias calibrations, the magnesite-siderite trends have
313 unexpectedly behaved less consistently from session to session, and have shown more
314 complexity of curvature. Throughout the two-year time span of RM development, we have
315 acquired calibration data for the magnesite-siderite series on multiple occasions; the dataset
316 presented here includes measurements from: 1) four separate 10-µm spot-size $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ sessions; 2)
317 two 3-µm $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ sessions; and 3) four 6-µm $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ sessions (see data summaries in Tables 3 and 4).
318 The behavior of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias calibrations fell into one of two categories: the first consists of trends
319 with two inflection points at constant positions along the compositional axis ("Type-I"
320 calibrations; data from three 10-µm spot-size sessions and one 3-µm session) and the second of
321 trends with only one inflection point (Type-II; data from one 10-µm spot-size session and one 3-

322 μm session). The behavior of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias calibrations also fell into one of two categories of trends
323 with no inflection points: those resembling the general shape of a 3rd-order polynomial (Type-I),
324 and those that could be adequately regressed using a 2nd-order polynomial (Type-II). Two of four
325 sessions represent each type of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias calibration.

326 Shown in the main body of this work are $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ - and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ -bias calibrations constructed
327 using measurements from a single mount containing the full suite of RMs (data from sessions:
328 S23 (6- μm $\delta^{13}\text{C}$), S22 (10- μm $\delta^{18}\text{O}$) and two 3- μm $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ sessions - S24 and S26). Shown also,
329 including in Supplemental Appendix 3, are additional examples of calibrations from earlier
330 (intermediate) stages of development during which time the suite of RMs was distributed among
331 multiple grain mounts (each containing up to 20 grains of 5 different test materials; see Table SA
332 3-1 for details). These additional examples are included here to demonstrate that the two $\delta^{18}\text{O}$
333 bias trend types we discuss have been reproducible. Any mount-specific differences in bias
334 measured from any one RM are expected to be $< 0.5\text{\textperthousand}$ (2s). Consider, for example, the dataset
335 from session S19 (Supplementary Appendix 2), where four different mounts were used in
336 building the magnesite-siderite calibration. For any one mount, the average $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias value of
337 the co-mounted drift-monitoring material (calcite "UWC-3"; Kozdon et al., 2009) differs by $<$
338 0.5 \textperthousand relative to all other mounts. Thus, any potential mount-to-mount bias differences do not
339 provide a tenable explanation for the existence (at present) of two different $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ trend
340 types. Note in particular that both types of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias behavior have been observed on separate
341 occasions using the same set of grains on a single calibration mount using the same 3- μm spot-
342 size $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ configuration (Table SA 3-1).

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344 4.3.1. THE BEHAVIOR OF SIMS $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ BIAS ALONG THE MAGNESITE-SIDERITE BINARY

345 In all instances (Type-I and II trends), the change in the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias (un-normalized)
346 between the end-members of the magnesite-siderite solid-solution series was not unidirectional.
347 To a first-order, however, the magnitude of the bias *decreased* as a function of increasing Fe-
348 content (Fig. 2a-b). In other words, the per mil difference between $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{raw}}$ as measured by SIMS
349 and the 'accepted' $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{VSMOW}}$ values became *smaller*. The bias was always largest for end-
350 member magnesite (approximately -20 to -25 \textperthousand with 10- μm spot-size and -35 \textperthousand with 3- μm spot)
351 and different by 12-16 \textperthousand in relation to end-member siderite (approximately -8 to -12 \textperthousand with 10-
352 μm spot and -20 \textperthousand with 3- μm spot). From here on the discussion will focus on *working*
353 *calibration curves* (Fig. 2c-d), for which $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias values were normalized to the RM with $\text{Fe\#} = 0$ (*i.e.*, values expressed as $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias*(RM-UWMgs1)), and thus are seen to increase with Fe\# .
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356 4.3.1.1. TYPE-I $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ TRENDS

357 **10- μm spot-size setup (3 sessions):** The more common Type-I $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ calibrations can be
358 described as follows. A representative trend is shown in Figure 2c (session S22 data). The
359 magnitude of SIMS $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias*(RM-UWMgs1) increased exponentially by $\sim 13.5\text{\textperthousand}$ between $\text{Fe\#} = 0.0$ and the first inflection point at $\text{Fe\#} = 0.25$. This was followed by a gradual decrease of
360 $\sim 4\text{\textperthousand}$ out to the second inflection point at $\text{Fe\#} = 0.70$, and lastly an upward rebound of $\sim 2.5\text{\textperthousand}$

362 between $\text{Fe\#} = 0.7$ and 1.0. The calibration data were regressed using the following mathematical
363 expression, which stems from the probabilistic properties of the same Hill function (e.g.,
364 Goutelle et al., 2008; Hill, 1910) used in recent work on $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ matrix effects in the
365 dolomite-ankerite series (Śliwiński et al., 2016a, 2016b). Hill-type equations are well-suited for
366 describing empirical relationships between the intensity of a measured effect (or response) and
367 the concentration of a certain component(s) in the system under observation, especially in the
368 case of systems that behave nonlinearly and reach saturation:

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370 $\text{bias}^*(\text{RM} - \text{UWMgs1}) = C_1 \left(\frac{nx^{n-1}}{k^n + x^n} \right) + C_2 x^d + C_3$ (Eq. 6)

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372 With the addition of the ' x^d ' term along with the three constants ' C_1 ', ' C_2 ', and ' C_3 ', this is a
373 modified form of equation 27 of Goutelle et al. (2008), where ' n ', ' k ' and ' d ' are curve shape
374 parameters and ' x ' in our application is the Fe\# of either a sample or RM. The influence of the
375 shape parameters on the regression is shown graphically in Figure SA 3-1, along with a step-by-
376 step graphical description of the trend-fitting process. The constants ' C_1 ' and ' C_2 ' allow for
377 vertical stretching/compression of the working calibration curve (Fig. 2c, session S22 trend) to
378 account for the fact that measured bias values can differ by up to several ‰ on a session-to-
379 session basis (a new session is defined any time significant changes are made in tuning
380 parameters; typically a session lasts from two to five days). Lastly, the constant ' C_3 ' accounts for
381 the fact that the calibration curves would not be anchored to the origin (0,0) if an RM other than
382 UWMgs1 were used as the normalizer (thus in the present case ' $C_3 = 0$ '). This becomes relevant
383 when one attempts to fit a surface model to bias data for the entire Ca-Mg-Fe carbonate ternary.
384 For this, it is necessary to normalize the bias of all carbonate RMs (*i.e.*, calcites, dolomite-
385 ankerites, magnesite-siderites) to a common 'anchor.' Consider, for example, setting dolomite
386 rather than magnesite as the common normalizer (*i.e.*, the (0,0) point). Doing so would have the
387 effect of offsetting the regression of the magnesite-siderite series by the magnitude of the bias
388 difference between the two RMs (*i.e.*, $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ $\text{bias}^*(\text{dolomite}_{\text{end-member}} - \text{magnesite}_{\text{end-member}})$), but
389 would have no effect on the overall shape of the calibration curve. Because ' C_3 ' is simply a ratio
390 of two measured values, it does not need to be determined by a fitting algorithm, leaving
391 equation (6) an empirical expression of five-parameters.

392 Regressing the oxygen isotope bias data from the full suite of calibration RMs (Figure 2c,
393 session S22) yields the following curve shape parameter (n, k, d) and constant (C_1, C_2) values (\pm
394 2se): $n = 1.8 (\pm 0.1)$, $k = 0.26 (\pm 0.04)$, $d = 4.2 (\pm 2.9)$, $C_1 = 3.8 (\pm 1.0)$ and $C_2 = 5.9 (\pm 1.2)$, and
395 $C_3 = 0$. This same set of curve shape parameter values was successfully applied in regressing
396 calibration data from two earlier sessions during which fewer RMs were available (Fig. SA 3-2).
397 In all three instances, the measured average value of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ $\text{bias}^*(\text{RM-UWMgs1})$ for all RMs
398 differs by less than 0.5‰ from the output of the calibration model (see residual plots in Figs. 2c
399 and SA 3-2). This can be considered a measure of accuracy in relation to CRM NIST-19
400 (Verkouteren and Klinedinst, 2004). The calibration residual shows no significant correlation to
401 the minor Ca-content of some of these materials ($r = 0.04$; up to 1.07 mol% CaCO_3 end-

402 member), nor to the more substantial Mn concentrations ($r = 0.19$; up to 8.35 mol% MnCO_3 end-
403 member). No secondary matrix corrections were thus required for this particular suite of RMs.

404 Including Mn in the $\text{Fe}^\#$ calculation, on account of its appreciable concentration in the
405 RM suite and the overall similarity of Mn^{2+} to Fe^{2+} in terms of mass and ionic radius, neither
406 significantly improved nor degraded the quality of the regression (see Fig. SA 3-3). Note,
407 however, that the most Mn-enriched RMs in the suite do not fall near the magnesite end-member
408 of the solid-solution series, where $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias changes most rapidly as a function of cation
409 chemistry. It is likely for this reason that the regression remains unaffected. In the hypothetical
410 case of samples that are enriched in Mn but deficient in Fe, it may be advisable to plot bias as a
411 function of $(\text{Fe}+\text{Mn})^\#$ (*i.e.*, molar $(\text{Fe}+\text{Mn})/(\text{Mg}+\text{Fe}+\text{Mn})$), although future studies will need to
412 resolve more conclusively how the effects of Mn-substitution on $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias in both the magnesite-
413 siderite and dolomite-ankerite series compare to those of iron.

414 **3- μm spot-size setup (1 session):** A different set of routine analytical conditions is used
415 at WiscSIMS for 3- vs. 10- μm spot carbonate $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ analyses (described in Śliwiński et al.,
416 2016a). Notably, the small 3- μm spot-size configuration makes use of a weaker primary Cs^+ ion
417 beam (600 pA vs 1.2 nA) and employs an electron-multiplier for detecting the minor isotope
418 ($^{18}\text{O}^-$) in the secondary ion stream (as opposed to a Faraday cup). One of the two 3- μm
419 calibrations generated to date strongly resembled the three self-consistent 10- μm trends (Fig. 2d,
420 session S26 data; compare to session S22 trend in Fig. 2c) and was successfully modeled using
421 the same empirical expression (eq. 6), yielding residuals $\leq 0.5\text{\textperthousand}$ (Fig. 2d) and the following
422 parameter values ($\pm 2\text{se}$): $n = 1.9 (\pm 0.1)$, $k = 0.24 (\pm 0.06)$, $d = 1.6 (\pm 1.9)$, $C_1 = 3.9 (\pm 1.8)$ and
423 $C_2 = 5.8 (\pm 2.4)$, and $C_3 = 0$. Note that the values of the curve-shape parameters n and k and the
424 constants C_1 and C_2 are within 2se limits of those associated with the 10- μm trends.

425 This 3- μm trend differs from the above-mentioned 10- μm calibrations in that the
426 magnitude of SIMS $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias*(RM-UWMgs1) increased markedly by $\sim 15.5\text{\textperthousand}$ (*i.e.*, by an
427 additional 2% compared to the 10- μm trends) between $\text{Fe}^\# = 0.0$ and the first inflection point at
428 $\text{Fe}^\# = 0.25$. At the present time, however, this should not be viewed as a general conclusion
429 about differences between 3- and 10- μm calibrations. The number of datasets is still limited, and
430 this 2% difference in the magnitude of the maximum bias between the end-members of a solid-
431 solution falls within the general range of expected session-to-session variability (compare with
432 Śliwiński et al., 2016a, 2016b). A potentially more meaningful difference may lie in the
433 observation that the bias maximum (relative to UWMgs1) at $\text{Fe}^\# = 0.25$ is followed by a more
434 gradual decrease of $\sim 3\text{\textperthousand}$ out to the second inflection point at $\text{Fe}^\# = 0.7$ and the disappearance of
435 a significant rebound between $\text{Fe}^\# = 0.7$ and 1.0 (compared to 10- μm trends).

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437 **4.3.1.2. TYPE-II $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ TRENDS**

438 **10- μm and 3- μm spot-size setups:** The alternate behavior of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias calibrations,
439 shown in Figure 2c-d, has been observed under both 10- and 3- μm spot-size conditions. These
440 Type-II trends represent two of the six sessions to date. The behavior can be described as
441 follows. Starting at $\text{Fe}^\# = 0.0$, the magnitude of SIMS $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias*(RM-UWMgs1) in both

442 instances increases exponentially and reaches a maximum of ~16.5‰ around Fe# = 0.4-0.5.
443 Values then steadily decline by 1-2‰ out to Fe# = 1.0. This behavior was modeled by
444 combining the Hill equation (in the form used to model bias in the dolomite-ankerite series; Eq.
445 5 herein) and the second term of Eq. 6, which allows the Hill function to descend after reaching a
446 maximum value:

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$$\text{bias}^*(\text{RM} - \text{UWMgs1}) = \left(\frac{\text{Bias}_{\text{max}}^* x^n}{k^n + x^n} \right) + C_2 x^d \quad (\text{Eq. 7})$$

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450 All terms are as defined earlier.

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452 4.3.2. ASSESSMENT OF POTENTIAL CRYSTALLOGRAPHIC ORIENTATION EFFECTS ON $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ BIAS

453 To our knowledge, crystallographic orientation effects on $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias (analogous to those
454 described by Huberty et al., 2010; Kita et al., 2011) have not yet been investigated for carbonates
455 of the magnesite-siderite series. We performed a simple test using two different mounts, each
456 containing grains of siderite (RM UWSd1) and two ferroan-magnesites (RMs UWMgs4 and 5a)
457 exposed at the analytical surface in one of two broadly different sets of orientations with respect
458 to the primary and secondary ion beams.

459 The first category of orientations includes those where the rhombic cleavage of magnesite
460 and siderite grains is parallel to sub-parallel with regards to the flattened and polished analytical
461 surface of the 1-inch diameter epoxy mount; these orientations tend to be over-represented when
462 laying out grains on casting plates, although the variable rotational positioning of cleavage faces
463 does diversify the number of unique crystallographic orientations that will eventually be exposed
464 for measurement. It does not, however, allow for an assessment of whether $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias differs
465 significantly along the crystallographic planes that are normal to sub-normal to: 1) rhomb edges
466 or to the 2) rhomb body-diagonal long axis. These orientations comprise the second category. A
467 grain mount was prepared with only this second category of orientations exposed by supporting
468 grains during casting with strips of ridged carbon tape arranged in a series of parallel trenches
469 ~0.5 mm deep and spaced ~0.5 mm apart (Fig. SA 3-4).

470 Measurements of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias from both mounts were performed on the same day of
471 analysis (session S21) and were found to be well within the $\pm 0.3\text{‰}$ 2s repeatability of the UWC-
472 3 bracketing RM used to monitor instrument drift (Table 5). In other words, there is no
473 significant difference in bias between the two broad categories of crystallographic orientations
474 described above.

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476 4.3.3. CURRENT INSIGHTS AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS TOWARDS UNDERSTANDING THE 477 COMPLEXITIES OF $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ BIAS TRENDS FOR THE MAGNESITE-SIDERITE SERIES

478 The $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias response of carbonate compositions between Fe# 0 and 0.3 is comparable
479 for Type-I and -II calibrations under both 3- and 10- μm spot-size conditions (Fig. 2c and d; for
480 ease of comparison, all four trends are co-plotted in Fig. SA 3-5). Recall that calibration trends
481 can stretch or contract by up to several per mil along the bias axis from session to session while

482 maintaining constant curve-shape parameter values (and that a session-specific scaling factor
483 relates them; Śliwiński et al., 2016a,b). Divergence in trend shape is driven by the session-
484 specific trajectory taken by compositions beyond Fe# 0.5, and has, to date, resulted in bias
485 differences of 2-6‰ for the subset of RMs between Fe# 0.5 and 1.0.

486 We have focused here primarily on presenting the first detailed descriptions of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias
487 behavior for carbonates of the magnesite-siderite series, and on outlining a functional calibration
488 scheme. The existence at present of two different $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ calibration trend types – along with the
489 possibility that more variability in trend shape may be encountered with time – does not limit our
490 ability to make accurate bias corrections (<0.5‰ relative to NIST-19), provided that a sufficient
491 number of reference materials – spanning the range of compositions between magnesite and
492 siderite – are available and utilized each session. Understanding the underlying cause(s) of the
493 complexity we encountered with this solid-solution series, however, requires further study and
494 should perhaps serve as a reminder that calibrating SIMS instruments for analysis of geological
495 materials remains entirely empirical in nature.

496 The findings of this study stand in contrast to our experience with calibrating the
497 dolomite-ankerite series. The Hill equation introduced previously (Śliwiński et al., 2016a,b) has
498 been applied over a 3-year period using the same curve-shape parameter values to regress
499 calibration data acquired using the same analytical protocols for 3- and 10- μm spot-size $\delta^{18}\text{O}$
500 analysis. Why, then, do these two carbonate solid-solutions behave differently under the same
501 analytical conditions? One possibility is that the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias response is insensitive to slight
502 session-specific differences in instrument tuning below some threshold Fe (+Mn?) concentration.
503 Consider the dolomite-ankerite calibration data compared with that of the magnesite-siderite
504 series shown in Fig. 3a (note that composition is expressed here as a molar ratio of Fe+Mn to the
505 sum total of Ca, Mg, Fe and Mn [*i.e.*, $X_{(\text{Fe}+\text{Mn})}$] to account for the fact that Ca ideally occupies
506 one-half of all cation sites in the dolomite structure). The Fe-content of our dolomite-ankerite
507 reference materials does not extend into the compositional field where Type-I and -II $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias
508 trends of the magnesite-siderite series diverge in shape (note that the maximum Fe-content of
509 naturally-occurring ankerites seems to be limited to $X_{(\text{Fe}+\text{Mn})} \approx 0.4$; *e.g.*, Change et al., 1996).

510 Something of potential interest to note here in moving forward is that certain electro-
511 magnetic properties of carbonate minerals vary by several orders of magnitude as a function of
512 Fe+Mn content. One example is electrical resistivity (2×10^{12} vs. $70 \text{ m}\Omega$ for calcite and siderite,
513 respectively; *e.g.*, Telford et al., 1990). Another is magnetic susceptibility (MS), which increases
514 by a factor of 100 between dolomite and ankerite, compared to a factor of 1000 between
515 magnesite and siderite (Fig. 3b; see *e.g.*, Hunt et al., 1995; Rochette, 1988; Schmidt et al., 2006,
516 2007). We can speculate that properties of this nature make the magnesite-siderite series more
517 sensitive to session-specific differences in tuning of the instrument – which can manifest as
518 differences in pit morphology (Figs. SA 3-6 and 3-7) – by influencing the behavior of the
519 electron cloud which provides charge compensation during sputtering (and its role in promoting
520 the formation of secondary oxygen ions).

521 A potentially promising direction for future studies is an assessment of how bias trends
522 differ in shape (if at all) when the spot-size is intentionally made smaller or larger by ~25-50%
523 under otherwise routine $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ analysis conditions where the target spot-size is 10- μm , for
524 example. Using a primary beam of the same intensity and a fixed analysis time, this would
525 necessarily force a change in the pit depth for a given carbonate composition (to maintain a
526 constant volume of sputtered material). A natural extension of such experiments would be a
527 rigorous assessment of sputtering rates for the different common Ca-Mg-Fe carbonate minerals.
528 In light of analogous studies in silicate systems (e.g., Eiler et al., 1997b, Isa et al., 2017), this
529 could significantly improve our understanding of what drives the first-order differences of ~10-
530 20% in bias magnitude between the end-members of the dolomite-ankerite and magnesite-
531 siderite solid-solution series.

532 We next continue our discussion of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ matrix effects by briefly examining how some
533 of the base signals associated with Type-I and -II calibration trends differ as a function of RM
534 composition. We looked into how Fe# affects $^{16}\text{O}^-$ ion yields and the magnitude of drift in the
535 raw isotope ratio over the course of a single spot-analysis. This provides further insight into the
536 circumstances under which inflection points appear in calibration curves, and may be of use in
537 designing further experimental studies seeking to suppress this complexity. No comprehensive
538 model based on first principles exists at present for accurately predicting secondary ion yields
539 from geological materials (and hence the bias imparted to isotope ratios during sputtering). An
540 important component of developing and testing such models, however, is a clear empirical
541 understanding of how base signals vary as a function of composition for solid-solution mineral
542 series under different analytical conditions (consider, for example, the work of Riciputi et al.,
543 1998).

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545 4.3.3.1. Dependence of $^{16}\text{O}^-$ ion yield on Fe#

546 The shape of ion yield *vs.* Fe# trends responds to session-specific differences in tuning.
547 Under both small and large-spot conditions, ion yields were always smallest from magnesite and
548 increased as a function of Fe-content out to Fe# = 0.645; from here, yields either continued
549 increasing out to the siderite end-member (Type-II trends) or began a gradual decline (Type-I
550 trends; 5 to 10% decrease relative to the maximum value at Fe# 0.645 under large- and small-
551 spot conditions, respectively). In more detail:

552 Under 10- μm spot-size conditions, ion yield trends associated with Type-I and -II $\delta^{18}\text{O}$
553 bias calibrations followed different trajectories (parabolic *vs.* sigmoidal, respectively; see Fig. 4a
554 and additional examples in Fig. SA 3-8). The ion yields of Type-I trends varied by ~1 Gcps/nA
555 between the end-members of the solid-solution, whereas the difference associated with the one
556 example of a Type-II trend observed under these conditions was twice as large. Qualitatively, the
557 rate of change in ion yield was similar for both trend types between Fe# 0.105 and 0.645 but
558 differed considerably near the end-member compositions, where the steeper slopes seen in the
559 Type-II trend resulted in a comparatively higher ion yield from siderite (by ~0.5 Gcps/nA, a
560 ~15% difference) and a lower yield from magnesite (by ~0.3 Gcps/nA, also a ~15% difference).

561 Under 3- μm spot-size conditions, the ion yield trends associated with both bias
562 calibrations followed parabolic trajectories with maxima at different compositions (at Fe# 0.645
563 for the Type-I trend and at the siderite-end member for the Type-II trend; Fig. 4b). In both cases
564 count-rates varied by 1.3 Mcps/nA Qualitatively, the rate of change in ion yield was similar
565 between Fe# 0.105 and 0.645; however, a steepening of slope associated with the Type-II trend
566 below Fe# 0.105 (analogous to that observed under large-spot conditions) resulted in a
567 comparatively lower ion yield from magnesite (by \sim 0.3 Gcps/nA, a change of \sim 14.5%). Because
568 the two trends crest at different compositions, a count-rate difference of 0.15 Gcps/nA (a \sim 6%
569 difference) was observed from the siderite end-member.

570 Note that in the case of Type-II bias calibrations under both small- and large-spot
571 analysis conditions, the ion yield a function of Fe# and Fe# is a function of ion yield (Fig. 4a and
572 b). Thus, hypothetically, the Fe# of a sample material under the beam could be estimated from its
573 ion yield (and this then fed into a Fe# *vs.* bias calibration to determine the appropriate matrix
574 correction factor). Whereas this is not the case for Type-I bias calibrations, the very fact that the
575 shape of ion yield *vs.* Fe# trends responds to session-specific differences in tuning hints at a
576 potential analytical advantage that could be gained through further refinements in technique.
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578 **4.3.3.2. Cumulative change in $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{raw}}$ during sputtering as a function of Fe#**

579 The raw $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ value reported for each analysis spot is an average of multiple data
580 collection cycles (20 cycles of 4 seconds each and 25 cycles of 8 seconds under 10- and 3- μm
581 spot-size conditions, respectively). It is thus possible to assess if/how the raw signal changes
582 during sputtering, and if the magnitude of this change is systematically related to composition.
583 Repeat measurements of each RM were therefore summarized on a cycle-by-cycle basis, where
584 all cycle 1 measurements were compiled and averaged, followed by all cycle 2 measurements,
585 etc. Plotting this data shows linear trends towards lower $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ values with each passing cycle
586 under both sets of analytical conditions (*i.e.*, fractionation in favor of the lighter isotope increases
587 with time; see cycle-by-cycle plots in Figs. SA 3-9 to 3-12). The cumulative change in $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{raw}}$
588 between the first and last cycle of analysis (“ $\Delta^{18}\text{O}(c_f - c_i)$ ”) shows a dependence on
589 composition (the terms “ c_i ” and “ c_f ” respectively refer to the initial and final cycles). In a
590 qualitative sense, the dependence of $\Delta^{18}\text{O}(c_f - c_i)$ on Fe# follows well- to moderately-well
591 defined parabolic trajectories under both large- and small-spot conditions, respectively (Fig. 4c-
592 d). Values of $\Delta^{18}\text{O}(c_f - c_i)$ tend to be smallest near the mid-point of the solid-solution (*i.e.*,
593 consider the least negative values in Fig. 4c-d, which represent the least amount of down-pit
594 discrimination against $^{18}\text{O}^-$). Values of $\Delta^{18}\text{O}(c_f - c_i)$ are largest (*i.e.*, most negative) at the
595 compositional end-members and are of equal- to sub-equal magnitude. If we regard the average
596 $\Delta^{18}\text{O}(c_f - c_i)$ value of the magnesite and siderite end-members as a baseline (as frame of
597 reference), then we note the following: 1) the baseline is lower in the case of Type-I
598 (approximately $-3.5\text{\textperthousand}$) *vs.* Type-II (approximately $-1.5\text{\textperthousand}$) $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias calibrations under both
599 large- and small-spot conditions (there is necessarily more scatter in the small-spot data due to

600 comparatively poorer counting statistics); 2) the range of $\Delta^{18}\text{O}(c_f - c_i)$ values is somewhat
601 larger in the case of Type-I (approximately 2‰) vs. Type-II (approximately 1.5‰) $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias
602 calibrations under both large- and small-spot conditions (Fig. 4c-d).

603 In comparing the base signals of Type-I and -II calibration trends and in reflecting on
604 how they affect measured bias values, we observe that the lower ion yields associated with the
605 Type-II trend near the magnesite end-member (Fe# < 0.2) correspond to larger bias values (by up
606 to 6‰; see Fig. 2a). This follows general expectations. Surprisingly, however, larger bias values
607 were also observed near the siderite end-member (Fe# > 0.8; by up to 4‰; Fig. 2a) despite ion
608 yields being higher (compared to the Type-I trend). At the same time, the $\Delta^{18}\text{O}(c_f - c_i)$ vs. Fe#
609 trends of both $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ calibration types are generally comparable beyond a baseline shift (for each
610 trend, note the similar magnitude of $\Delta^{18}\text{O}(c_f - c_i)$ for the end-members and the general
611 symmetry of the data distributions in Fig. 4c). Differences in the topology of Type-I vs. Type-II
612 bias calibrations do not seem to be readily explainable by considering only a simple interplay
613 between these two base variables (*i.e.*, trends in ion yield and $\Delta^{18}\text{O}(c_f - c_i)$ as a function of
614 Fe#). We suspect that differences in sputtering rate contribute here as well, as a visual
615 comparison of pit images (Figs. SA 3-6 and 3-7) suggests that pit depth (and hence sputtering
616 rate) increases with increasing Fe-content. Given what is known from silicate and carbonate
617 systems, bias and sputtering rate can correlate strongly and non-linearly (*e.g.*, Eiler et al., 1997b,
618 Isa et al., 2017). Nonetheless, what is apparent from the data at hand is that above a certain
619 threshold Fe-concentration, carbonate $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias calibration curve shapes are strongly influenced
620 by session-specific differences in instrument tuning (reflected by the resulting pit
621 morphologies/geometries). Where tuning conditions accentuate differences in base parameters
622 such as ion yield and the observed down-hole drift of the raw isotope ratio during sputtering, the
623 end result is a more complex calibration curve (compare base signals and corresponding bias
624 curves of Type-I and -II trend in Figs. 2 and 4).

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627 **4.3.4. THE BEHAVIOR OF SIMS $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ BIAS ALONG THE MAGNESITE-SIDERITE BINARY**

628 In all instances (Type-I and II trends), the change in the magnitude of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias (un-
629 normalized) between the end-members of the magnesite-siderite solid-solution series is
630 consistently unidirectional (albeit non-linear). Relative to the magnesite end-member, the bias
631 *increases* by ~10‰ as a function of increasing Fe-content (Fig. 5a). In other words, the per mil
632 difference between $\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{raw}}$ as measured by SIMS and the 'accepted' $\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{VPDB}}$ values becomes
633 *larger* (as values became more negative, the bias is said to *increase*). The bias is always *smallest*
634 for end-member magnesite (-51.5 ‰) and different by 10‰ in relation to end-member siderite
635 (approximately -61.5‰) (session S23 data, see also Table 4 and calibrations from other sessions
636 in Fig. SA 3-15). From here on the discussion will focus on *working calibration curves* (Fig. 5b),
637 for which $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias values have been normalized to that of the magnesite end-member anchor
638 (*i.e.*, values expressed as $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias*(RM-UWMgs1)).

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640 **4.3.4.1. TYPE-I AND II $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ TRENDS**

641 The shape of Type-I $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ calibrations resembles a gently-flexing 3rd-order polynomial
642 (Fig. 5b; session S23 data). The bias response was most sensitive to changes in cation chemistry
643 in the Fe# range between 0 and 0.3 (change of ~5.5‰ relative to end-member magnesite).
644 Between Fe# 0.3 and 1.0, the change was more gradual (approximately linear), with $\delta^{13}\text{C}$
645 bias*(RM-UWMgs1) values changing by an additional ~5.5‰ over this much broader range of
646 compositions. The data were regressed using equation (6), yielding the following parameter
647 values: $n = 1.7 (\pm 0.1, 2\text{se})$ $k = 0.73 (\pm 0.1, 2\text{se})$, $d = 2.4 (\pm 0.8, 2\text{se})$, $C_1 = C_2 = -5.1 (\pm 0.4, 2\text{se})$
648 and $C_3 = 0$. This same set of curve shape parameter values was successfully applied in regressing
649 calibration data from one other session that yielded a Type-I trend (Fig. SA 3-15). In both
650 instances, the measured average value of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias*(RM-UWMgs1) for all RMs differs by less
651 than 0.5‰ from the output of the calibration model (see residual plots in Figs. 5b and SA 3-15).
652 This can be considered a measure of trueness in relation to CRM NIST-19 (Verkouteren and
653 Klinedinst, 2004). As with $\delta^{18}\text{O}$, the calibration residuals show no correlation to calcium ($r =$
654 0.03) or manganese ($r = 0.15$) content, and the calibration remains unchanged with the inclusion
655 of Mn in the Fe# (Fig. SA 3-3). No secondary matrix corrections are thus required for this
656 particular suite of RMs.

657 In contrast, the shape of Type-II $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ calibrations can be adequately described by gently-
658 flexing 2nd-order polynomials, yielding residuals < 0.5‰ (Fig. 5b; session S18 data). The change
659 in bias is thus more gradual when compared to Type-I trends, but is of the same general
660 magnitude (~10‰) across the entire solid-solution series (one additional example is shown in
661 Figure SA 3-15; please note that both examples of Type-I trends represent sessions from earlier
662 stages research when far fewer RMs were available). The shape of both trend types differed most
663 in the compositional space between Fe# = 0 and 0.5, where RM bias values changed on a
664 session-by-session basis by up 1-2‰.

665 We continue our discussion of $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ matrix effects by briefly examining how base signals
666 varied with RM composition. The $^{12}\text{C}^-$ ion yields associated with the two different $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias
667 calibration trend types shown in Figure 5 are plotted as a function of composition in Figure 6a
668 (see also Fig. SA 3-16). The ion yield of the Type-I trend can be described as a parabolic
669 function of Fe# that is symmetric around the midpoint composition of the solid-solution, where it
670 achieves a maximum value of ~12.5 Mcps/nA. Count rates were lowest and of the same general
671 magnitude from the compositional end-members (~8 Mcps/nA). The ion yield of the Type-II
672 trend also followed a parabolic trajectory with a maximum near the compositional midpoint (~13
673 Mcps/nA), although the count-rates measured from the end-members were dissimilar (~9 and 8
674 Mcps/nA for magnesite and siderite, respectively).

675 In evaluating the change in $\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{raw}}$ across the 20 data acquisition cycles associated with
676 each individual spot analysis, we noted moderately-well defined linear trends toward lower
677 values in both Type-I and -II bias calibration datasets (*i.e.*, fractionation in favor of the lighter
678 isotope increased with time; see cycle-by-cycle plots in Figs. SA 3-17 and 3-20). Considering
679 that the spot-to-spot repeatability of a $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ analysis is on the order of 0.6-1.2‰ (2s), the

680 cumulative change in $\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{raw}}$ between the first and last cycle of analysis (“ $\Delta^{13}\text{C}(c_f - c_i)$ ”) shows
681 no resolvable dependence on Fe# in the case of the Type-II bias trend (average change of -4‰).
682 In contrast, a weak parabolic dependence was noted in association with the Type-I trend, where
683 the cumulative change in $\Delta^{13}\text{C}(c_f - c_i)$ is smallest near the compositional midpoint of the solid-
684 solution (approximately -2‰) and largest near the end-members (approximately -4‰; see Fig.
685 6b and additional examples from other sessions in Fig. SA 3-16b).

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687 5. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

688 Recent advances in SIMS instrument design and refinements of analytical techniques
689 have brought about the technical capability of performing highly precise, micrometer-scale in-
690 situ measurements of carbonate $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ values. The common spot-sizes employed for
691 $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ analyses at WiscSIMS are either of a 3 or 10- μm diameter, affording repeatability at the
692 following levels: $\pm 0.3\text{‰}$ (2s; 10- μm spots) and $\pm 0.7\text{‰}$ (2s; 3- μm spots). A 6- μm spot is used for
693 $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ analyses, with repeatability between 0.6 and 1.2‰ (2s).

694 The accuracy of such measurements in relation to certified reference materials, however,
695 depends in large-part on the availability of comprehensive suites of matrix-matched reference
696 materials that allow for characterizing and calibrating sample matrix effects. This is entirely an
697 empirical undertaking. With regards to Ca-Mg-Fe carbonates, this has been an under-researched
698 topic since the first pioneering studies in the late 1990's (e.g., Eiler et al., 1997a; Valley et al.,
699 1997; Riciputi et al., 1998). With this 3rd installment of our on-going study of these effects, most
700 of the common inorganic Ca-Mg-Fe carbonate compositions can now be accurately analyzed.
701 This includes calcite (Kozdon et al., 2009) and both the dolomite-ankerite (Parts I and II;
702 Śliwiński et al., 2016a, 2016b) and magnesite-siderite solid-solution series (Part III, this article).
703 Biogenic carbonates may present additional complexity if organic matter, water or fine-grained
704 textures are present (Orland et al. 2015).

705 Following two years of RM development and of acquiring calibration datasets, we can at
706 present offer the following observations, conclusions or recommendations regarding SIMS
707 analysis of carbonates of the magnesite-siderite series:

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- 709 1. As with the dolomite-ankerite series, mass bias was consistently most sensitive to
710 changes in composition near the iron-free end-member of the solid-solution. With
711 increasing Fe-content up to ~20 mol% FeCO₃ end-member (Fe# 0-0.2, where Fe# =
712 Fe/(Mg+Fe), expressed on a molar basis), $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias *increased* by up to 3-4.5‰,
713 whereas $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias *decreased* by 13-15‰ (session-specific differences).
- 714 2. Between the end-members of the series, $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias increased by a total of 10-11‰
715 (magnesite → siderite), whereas $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias decreased by 13-16‰ (session-specific
716 differences).
- 717 3. As an example, if uncorrected, the presence of 1-2 mol% FeCO₃ in a sample material
718 of unknown isotopic composition would produce a measurement error (in relation to
719 CRM NIST-19) of ~1‰ for $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and ~2-3‰ for $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ measurements.

720 4. Despite adherence to well-established analytical protocols for carbonate $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ and
721 $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ analyses at WiscSIMS (CAMECA IMS 1280), the magnesite-siderite calibration
722 curves of both isotope systems did not maintain a constant shape from session-to-
723 session over a 2-year period, but rather fell into one of two distinct and largely self-
724 consistent shape-categories ('Type-I' and 'Type-II').

725 5. The shape of Type-I and II $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias trends differs most in the compositional space
726 between $\text{Fe}\# = 0.3$ and 0.9, where RM bias values changed on a session-by-session
727 basis by: 1) up to 6‰ when using conditions for 10- μm diameter spot-size
728 measurements; and 2) up to 4‰ when using 3- μm conditions

729 6. The shape of Type-I and II $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias trends differ most in the compositional space
730 between $\text{Fe}\# = 0$ and 0.5, where RM bias values change on a session-by-session basis
731 by up 1-2‰.

732 7. The cause of variability in calibration curve shapes is not well understood at present,
733 and stresses the importance of having available a sufficient number of well-
734 characterized RMs so that potential complexities of curvature can be adequately
735 delineated and accounted for on a session-by-session basis. Doing so allows for
736 calibration residuals (a measure of accuracy in relation to CRM NIST-19) smaller
737 than 0.5‰ for both isotope systems.

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1129 FIGURE AND TABLE CAPTIONS

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1131 **Figure 1.** Ternary diagram showing the range of Ca-Mg-Fe carbonate compositions represented
1132 by the microanalytical reference materials developed at WiscSIMS for calibrating SIMS $\delta^{18}\text{O}$
1133 and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ analyses (Table 1): magnesite-siderite series (this study); dolomite-ankerite series
1134 (reported in Śliwiński et al., 2016a, 2016b), and calcite UWC-3 (Kozdon et al., 2009). Symbols
1135 represent average values (associated 2se values smaller than symbols).
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1137 **Fig. 2. (a-b)** Plot relating SIMS $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias (‰) to the cation composition of carbonates belonging
1138 to the siderite-magnesite solid solution series [$\text{Fe}\# = \text{Fe}/(\text{Mg}+\text{Fe})$, molar]. Shown are
1139 representative examples of two types of bias behavior observed using consistent analytical
1140 protocols for: **(a)** 10-µm diameter spot-size measurements and **(b)** 3-µm measurements. **(c-d)**
1141 Working calibration curves based on the data plotted in **(a-b)**, where bias values are normalized
1142 to end-member magnesite (expressed as $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias*(RM-UWMgs1)), which serves as the
1143 calibration anchor. Immediately below are the calibration residuals, which can be considered a
1144 measure of accuracy relative to the CRM NIST-19. (Refer to Supplementary Appendix 3 for
1145 additional calibration examples).

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1147 **Fig. 3.** (a) A comparison of SIMS $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias measured from carbonates of the dolomite-ankerite
 1148 and magnesite-siderite solid-solution series using the same conditions during a single analytical
 1149 session (asterisks indicates a modeled bias value; refer to Fig. SA 3-2b). Composition is plotted
 1150 here as a molar ratio of Fe+Mn to the sum of all cations (*i.e.*, $X_{(\text{Fe}+\text{Mn})}$) to facilitate comparison
 1151 with data in (b), which shows systematic changes in the magnetic susceptibility (MS) of
 1152 carbonates as a function of Fe+Mn concentration (data from: [1,2] Schmidt et al., 2007; [3]
 1153 Schmidt et al., 2006; [4] Rochette 1988). Note that the Fe+Mn content of the dolomite-ankerite
 1154 RM suite (Śliwiński et al., 2016a) does not extend far into the compositional field where Type-I
 1155 and -II bias trends of the magnesite-siderite series begin to diverge in shape ($X_{(\text{Fe}+\text{Mn})} > \sim 0.3$; see
 1156 Fig. SA 3-5), suggesting that the $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias response is insensitive to slight session-specific
 1157 differences in instrument tuning below this threshold (*i.e.*, differences in trend shape are not
 1158 expected for the dolomite-ankerite series and indeed have not been observed over the last 3-year
 1159 period).

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1161 **Fig. 4.** The compositional dependence of certain base signals associated with SIMS $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias
 1162 measurements from the magnesite-siderite series. (a-b) Secondary $^{16}\text{O}^-$ ion yields *vs.* Fe# and (c-
 1163 d) the cumulative change in $\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{raw}}$ between the initial (*i*) and final (*f*) cycles of analysis
 1164 (“ $\Delta^{18}\text{O}(c_f - c_i)$ ”) *vs.* Fe# for both 10- and 3- μm spot-size analysis conditions. Yield = count rate
 1165 (as giga-counts per second) / primary Cs^+ ion beam intensity (nA). Each point is an average of at
 1166 least 4 measurements from 4 separate grains (1 analysis/grain). (See text for description of
 1167 ‘Type-I’ *vs.* ‘Type-II’ bias trends).

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 1170 the siderite-magnesite solid solution series [Fe# = Fe/(Mg+Fe), molar]. Shown are two types of
 1171 bias behavior observed using a consistent analytical protocol for 6- μm diameter spot-size
 1172 measurements. (b) Working calibration curves based on the data plotted in (a), where bias values
 1173 are normalized to end-member magnesite (expressed as $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias*(RM-UWMgs1)), which
 1174 serves as the calibration anchor (crossed-circle denotes an outlier). Immediately below are the
 1175 calibration residuals, which can be considered a measure of accuracy relative to the CRM NIST-
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1178 **Fig. 6.** The compositional dependence of certain base signals associated with SIMS $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias
 1179 measurements from the magnesite-siderite series. (a) Secondary $^{12}\text{C}^-$ ion yields *vs.* Fe# and (b)
 1180 the cumulative change in $\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{raw}}$ between the initial (*i*) and final (*f*) cycles of analysis
 1181 (“ $\Delta^{13}\text{C}(c_f - c_i)$ ”) *vs.* Fe# under 6- μm spot-size analysis conditions. Yield = count rate (as mega-
 1182 counts per second) / primary Cs^+ ion beam intensity (nA). Each point is an average of at least 4
 1183 measurements from 4 separate grains (1 analysis/grain). (See text for description of ‘Type-I’ *vs.*
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1188 of this study.

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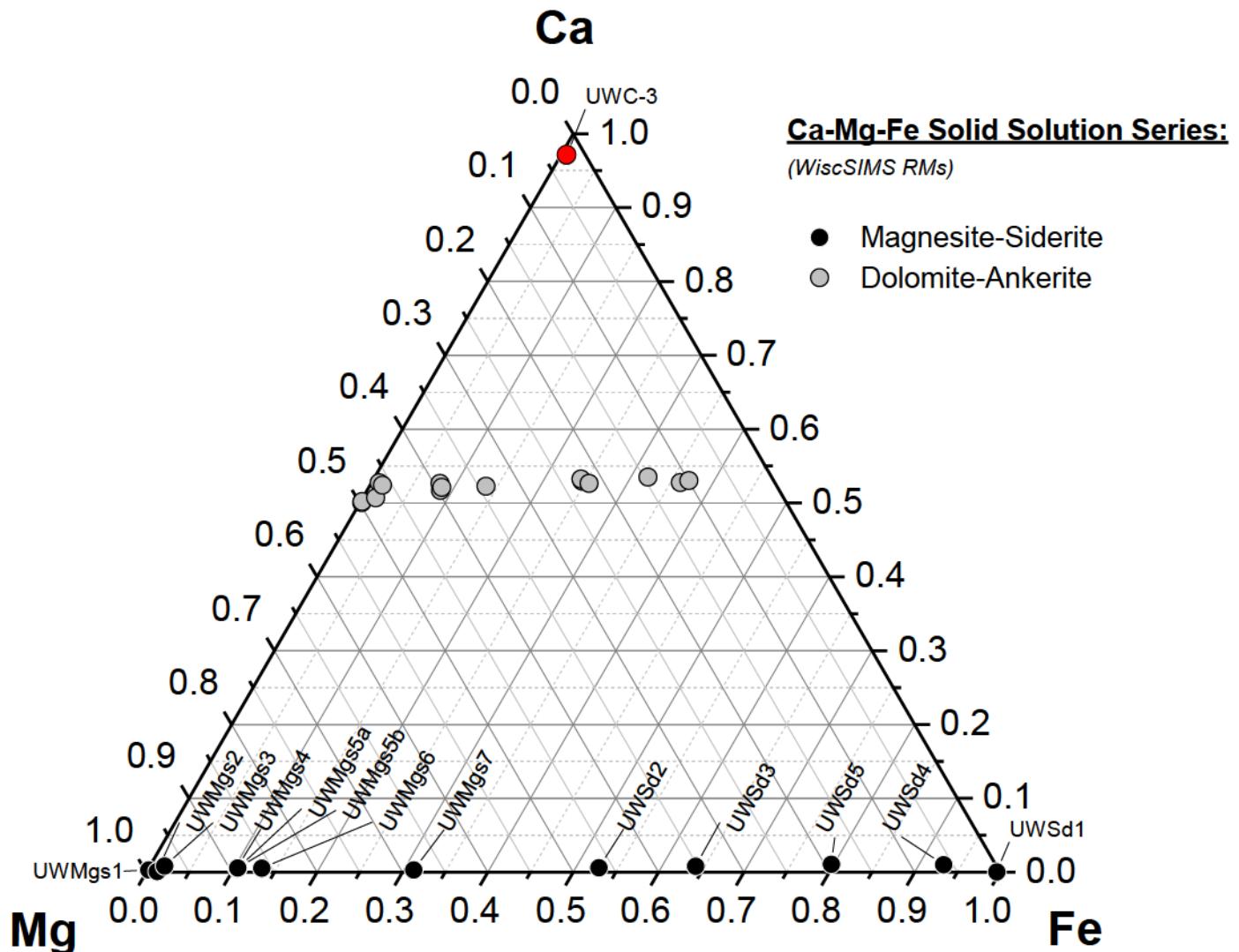
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1206 **Supplemental Appendix 2.** Complete SIMS datasets for all reported analytical sessions.

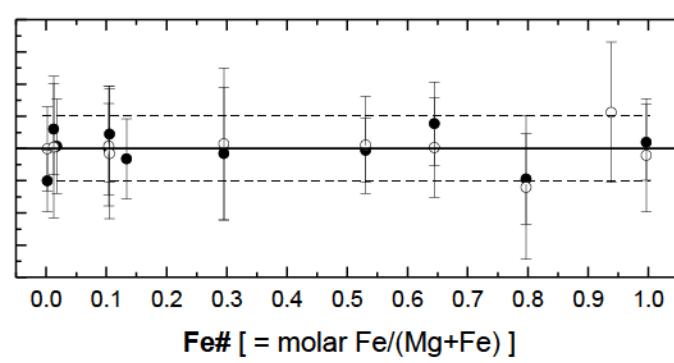
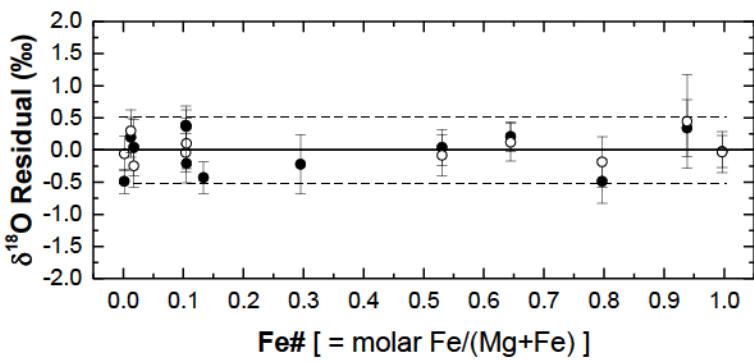
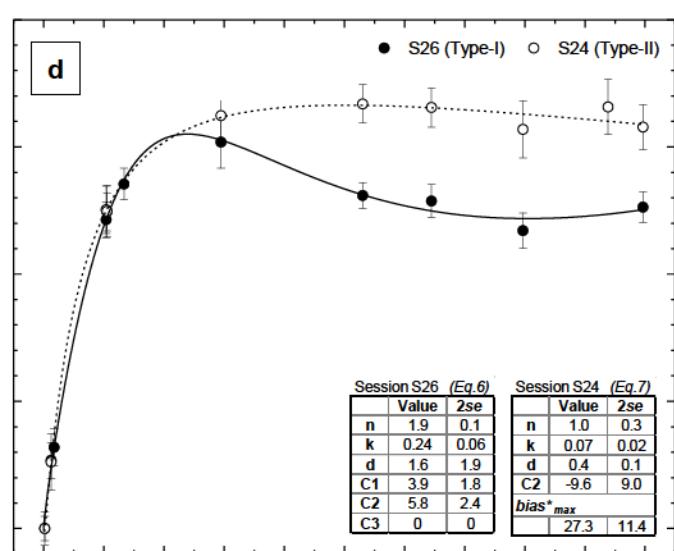
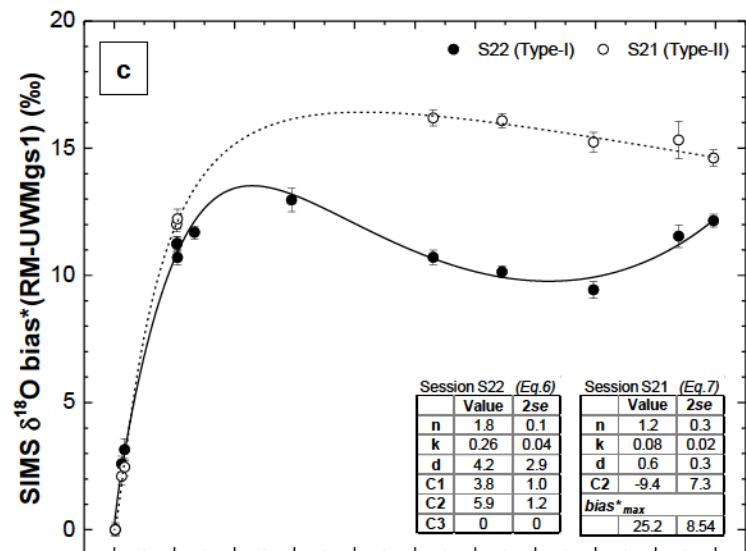
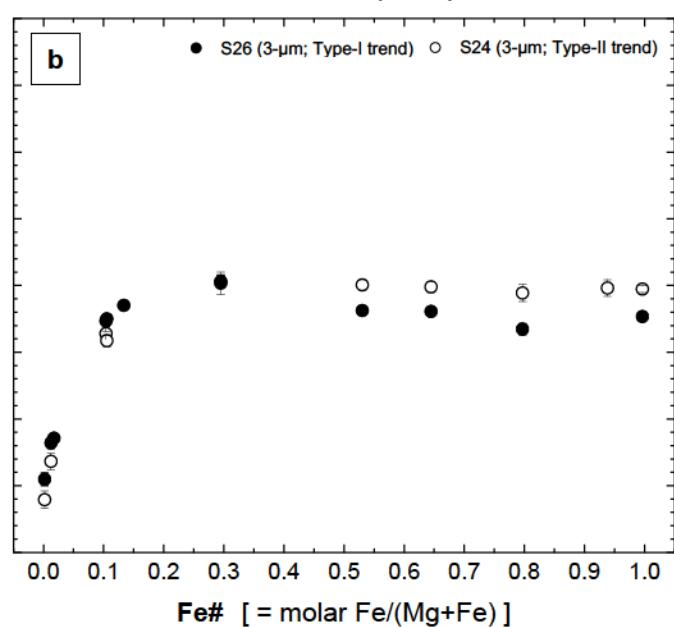
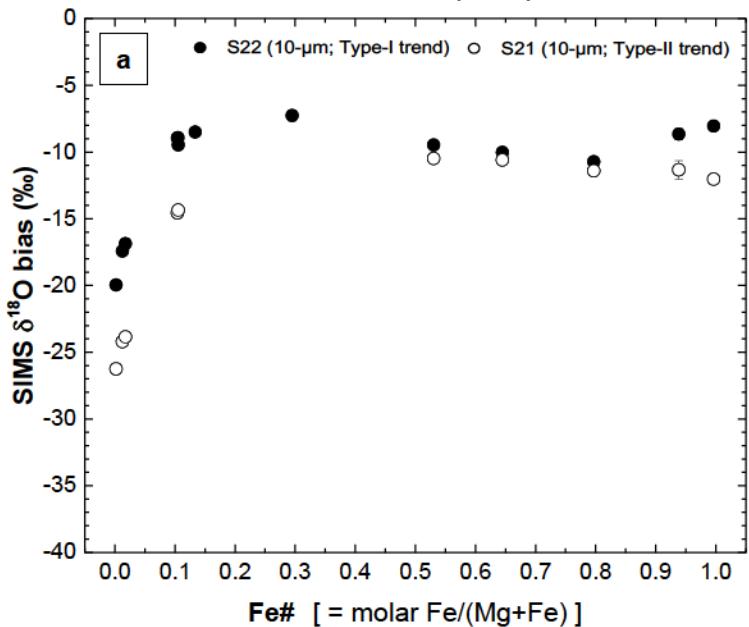
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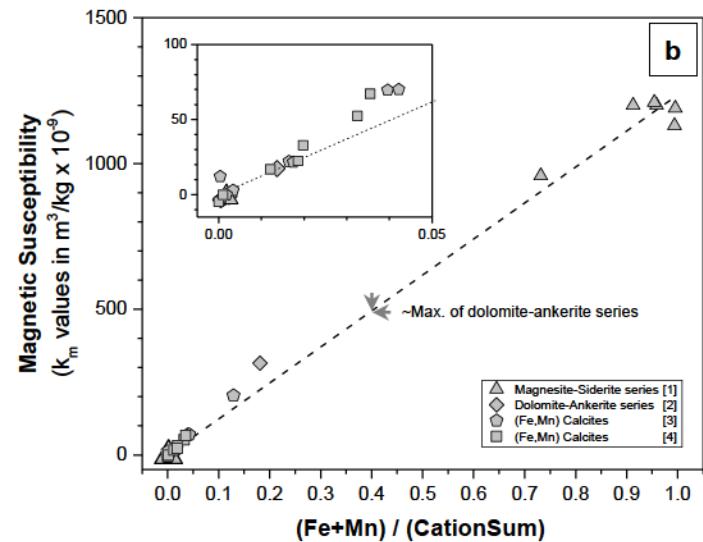
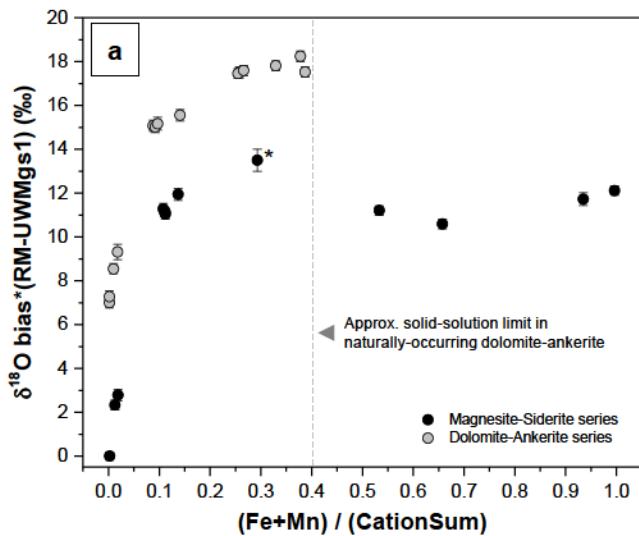
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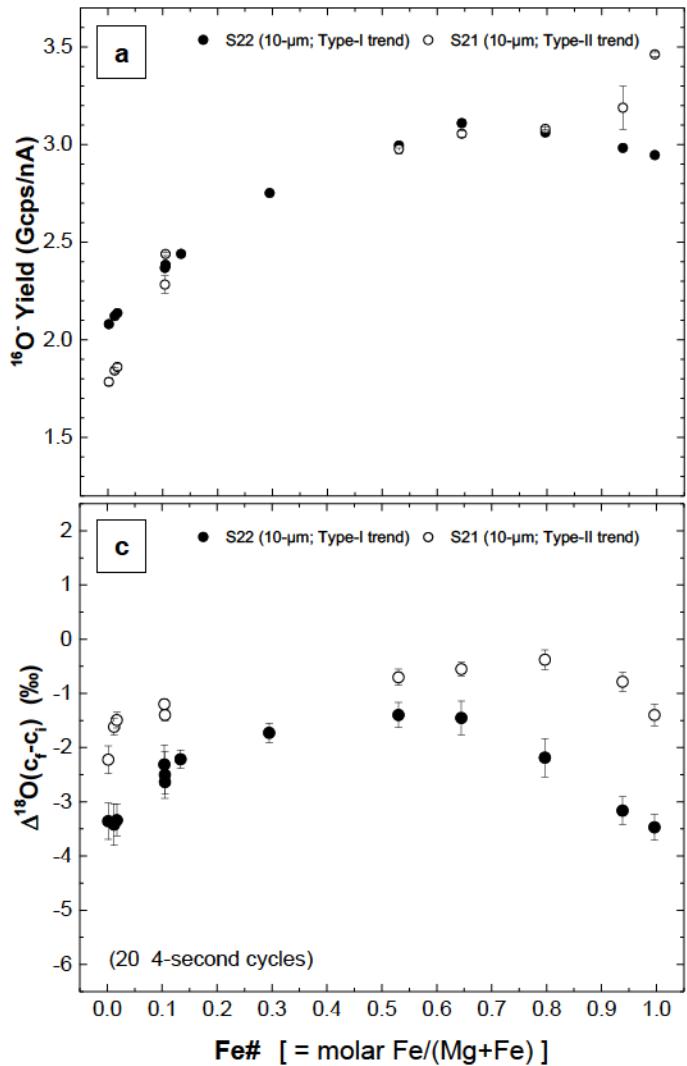
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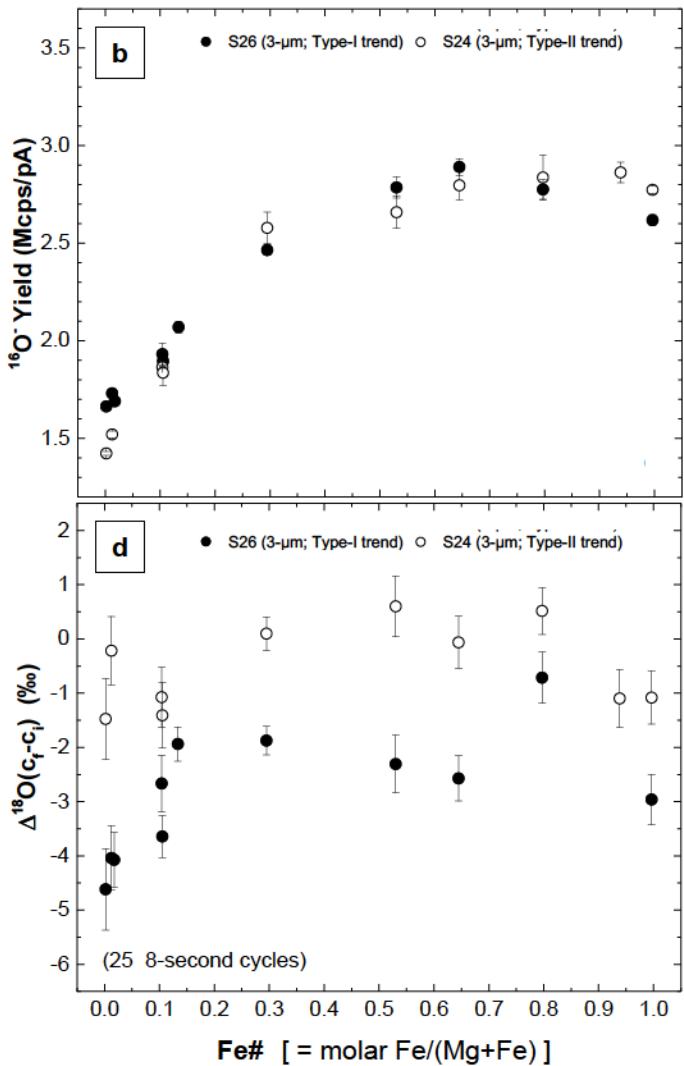




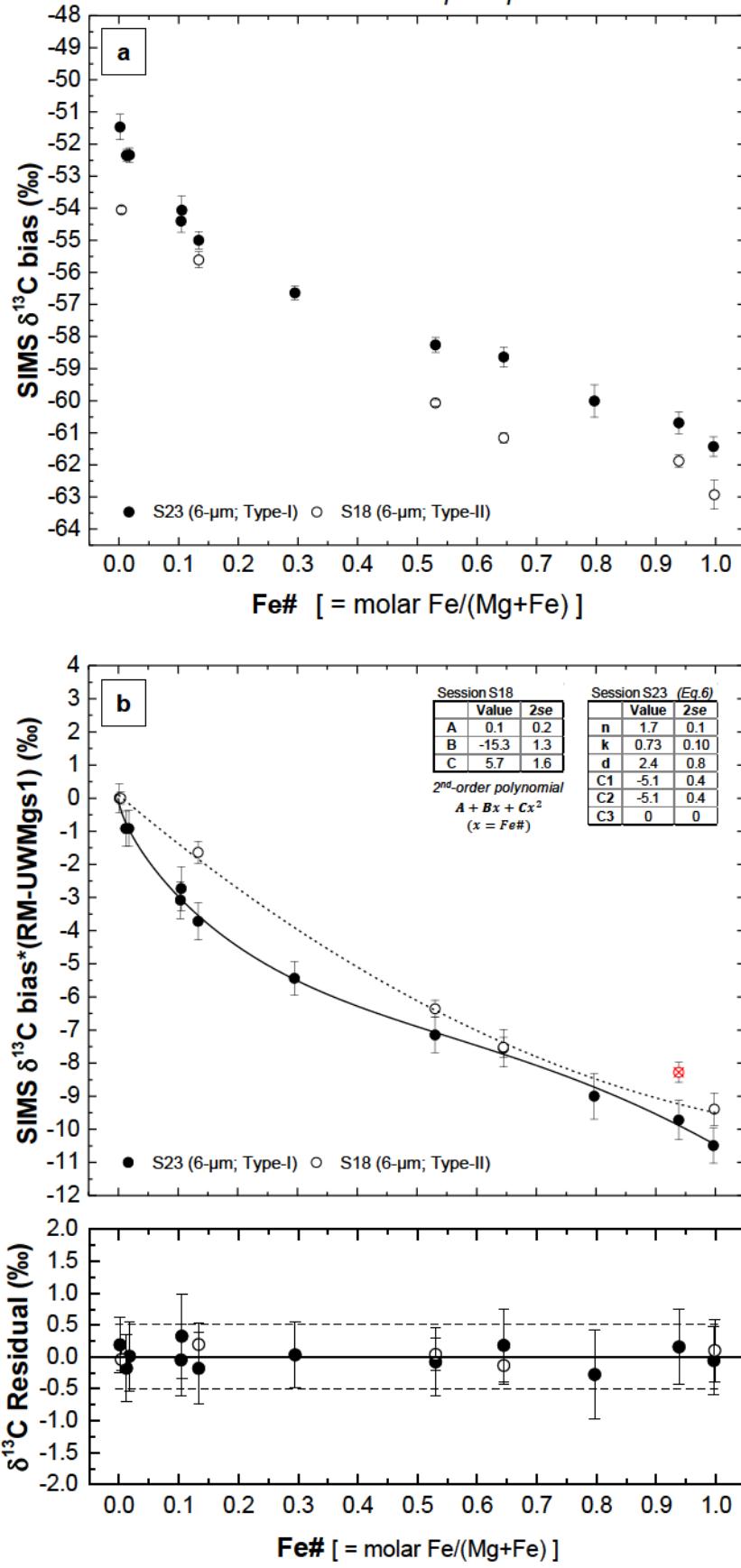
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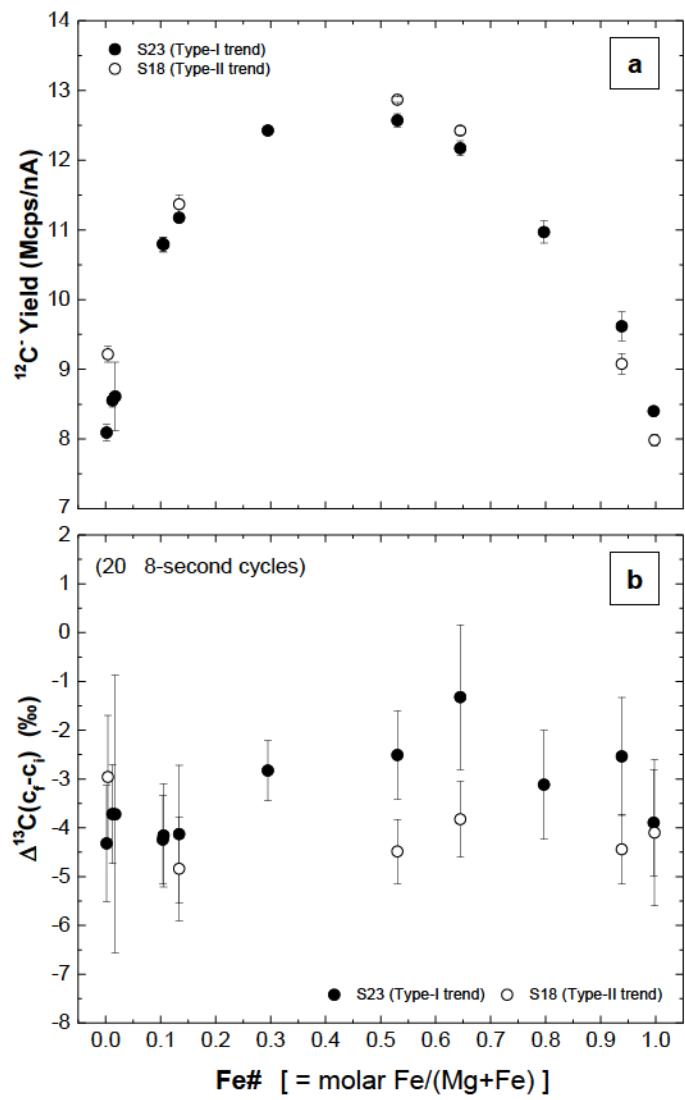


Table 1. Source locality and measured extent of $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ homogeneity on the microanalytical scale of SIMS (10 and 6- μm scale, respectively) in the magnesite-siderite RMs of this study.

RM ID	Fe#	Source locality	True ^a $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ (‰, VSMOW)	True ^a $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ (‰, VPDB)	SIMS $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ homogeneity assessment					SIMS $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ homogeneity assessment				
					Session ID	Grains (n)	Analyses (n)	2s	2se	Session ID	Grains (n)	Analyses (n)	2s	2se
UWMgs1	0.002	Brumado District, Brazil	12.28	-0.82	S19	20	20	0.34	0.08	S20	20	20	0.84	0.19
UWMgs2	0.012	Italy (no additional details known)	16.99	-5.03	S19	19	20	0.46	0.10	S20	19	20	0.88	0.20
UWMgs3 ^(b)	0.017	Steiermark, Austria (Oberdorf an der Laming?)	10.58	-0.32	S19	21	25	0.86	0.17	S20	20	20	0.99	0.22
UWMgs4	0.104	Gassetts, Chester, Windsor Co., Vermont, USA	12.62	-11.97	S19	19	20	0.32	0.07	S20	19	20	1.00	0.22
UWMgs5a ^(b)	0.105	Val di Vizze, Trentino-Alto Adige, Bolzano, Italy	11.01	-4.92	S19	19	20	0.44	0.10	S20	19	20	0.90	0.20
UWMgs5b ^(b)	0.105	Val di Vizze, Trentino-Alto Adige, Bolzano, Italy	11.01	-4.90	S19	20	20	0.36	0.08	-	-	-	-	-
UWMgs6 ^(c)	0.134	Adige River (upper part of); Val di Vizze, Trentino-Alto Adige, Bolzano, Italy	10.94	-4.95	S16	15	23	0.69	0.14	S17	15	23	1.02	0.21
UWMgs7 ^(d)	0.295	Savage River mine area, Tasmania, Australia	16.61	1.35	S22	22	23	1.89	0.39	S23	17	20	0.92	0.20
UWSd2	0.530	Morro Velho Mine, Nova Lima, Minas Gerais, Brazil	15.88	-4.03	S16	17	20	0.36	0.08	S18	17	20	0.46	0.10
UWSd3	0.645	Morro Velho Mine, Nova Lima, Minas Gerais, Brazil	15.30	-5.06	S16	17	20	0.25	0.06	S18	17	21	0.72	0.16
UWSd4 ^(b)	0.938	Mount St. Hilaire, Quebec,	9.14	-5.49	S16	23	22	0.81	0.17	S18	20	20	0.85	0.19
UWSd5	0.797	Locality unknown	10.48	-7.28	S16	19	21	0.56	0.12	S20	18	19	0.90	0.21
UWSd1	0.997	Ivigtut Cryolite deposit, Ivittuut (Ivigtut), Arsuk Fjord, Sermersooq, Greenland	7.92	-8.07	S19	20	20	0.36	0.08	S20	20	20	0.59	0.13

^a $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ and $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ VSMOW value determined by conventional phosphoric acid digestion and gas-source mass spectrometry (see Appendix A)

^b Two separate splits of this material were evaluated.

^c Denotes an RM which may be used for $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ calibration only if analyzed repeatedly a sufficient number of times to drive the standard error (at the 95% confidence level) below 0.3‰ (approx. n = 8)

^d This RM is not preferred for routine use in $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ calibration. Approx. 25+ replicate measurements are required to drive the standard error to approx. 0.3‰.

Table 2. Average chemical composition of the magnesite-siderite RMs of this study (analyzed by EPMA)

RM ID	Grains (n)	EPMA analyses (n)	%MgCO ₃	2s	%CaCO ₃	2s	%FeCO ₃	2s	%MnCO ₃	2s	%SrCO ₃	2s	Fe#	2s	2se	Fe# (with Mn)	2s	2se	Fe	2s	2se
			(Fe/(Mg+Fe))	(wt. %)																	
UWMgs1	20	60	99.47%	0.27%	0.29%	0.31%	0.17%	0.08%	0.07%	0.03%	<DL	-	0.002	0.001	0.000	0.002	0.001	0.000	0.11	0.05	0.01
UWMgs2	19	57	98.66%	0.47%	0.09%	0.08%	1.25%	0.42%	0.02%	0.02%	<DL	-	0.012	0.004	0.001	0.013	0.004	0.001	0.80	0.27	0.04
UWMgs3	21	63	97.29%	1.30%	0.84%	1.34%	1.73%	0.23%	0.14%	0.04%	<DL	-	0.017	0.002	0.000	0.019	0.002	0.000	1.11	0.15	0.02
UWMgs4	19	57	88.65%	0.35%	0.54%	0.11%	10.29%	0.34%	0.51%	0.09%	<DL	-	0.104	0.003	0.000	0.109	0.003	0.000	6.41	0.23	0.03
UWMgs5a ^(a)	21	61	88.26%	0.82%	0.55%	0.18%	10.39%	1.16%	0.80%	0.26%	<DL	-	0.105	0.011	0.001	0.113	0.009	0.001	6.46	0.72	0.09
UWMgs5b ^(a)	19	57	88.30%	0.72%	0.55%	0.20%	10.36%	1.05%	0.79%	0.23%	<DL	-	0.105	0.010	0.001	0.112	0.008	0.001	6.44	0.64	0.09
UWMgs6	15	46	85.76%	1.63%	0.52%	0.15%	13.22%	1.84%	0.50%	0.16%	<DL	-	0.134	0.018	0.003	0.138	0.017	0.003	8.13	1.10	0.16
UWMgs7	21	65	68.52%	1.32%	0.29%	0.18%	28.64%	1.11%	2.56%	0.37%	<DL	-	0.295	0.012	0.001	0.313	0.013	0.002	16.80	0.63	0.08
UWSd2	16	48	46.10%	0.84%	0.59%	0.39%	52.07%	0.96%	1.24%	0.17%	<DL	-	0.530	0.009	0.001	0.536	0.009	0.001	28.39	0.62	0.09
UWSd3	17	51	33.47%	2.07%	0.77%	0.18%	60.76%	2.29%	5.00%	0.33%	<DL	-	0.645	0.023	0.003	0.663	0.021	0.003	32.05	1.08	0.15
UWSd4	21	61	5.58%	1.36%	0.93%	1.03%	85.14%	3.89%	8.35%	2.27%	<DL	-	0.938	0.016	0.002	0.944	0.014	0.002	41.84	1.74	0.22
UWSd5	19	53	19.21%	2.35%	1.07%	0.49%	75.46%	1.85%	4.25%	1.65%	<DL	-	0.797	0.022	0.003	0.806	0.023	0.003	38.02	1.02	0.14
UWSd1	22	69	0.33%	0.10%	0.03%	0.02%	95.34%	0.29%	4.32%	0.24%	<DL	-	0.997	0.001	0.000	0.997	0.001	0.000	46.23	0.58	0.07

^(a) Replicate splits

Table 3. SIMS $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias data for magnesite-siderite calibration RMs of this study, measured during multiple analytical sessions over a 2-year period (2015–2017).

Session	Spot size (μm)	Trend type	RM ID	Fe# ^a	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ True ^b (‰, VSMOW)	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ raw ^c	2se	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias ^{d,e}	2se	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias ^f (RM-UWMgs1) ^g	2se	^{18}O Yield (Gcps/nA)	2se	$\Delta^{18}\text{O}(\text{c}_\text{f}-\text{c}_\text{i})^{\text{h}}$	2se	
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	Brazil Mgs ^j	0.004	15.01	-4.58	0.02	-19.30	0.02	0.00	0.10	1.791	0.014	-2.84	0.37	
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	UWMgs1	0.002	12.28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	UWMgs2	0.012	16.99	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	UWMgs3	0.017	10.58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	UWMgs4	0.104	12.62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	UWMgs5a	0.105	11.01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	UWMgs5b	0.105	11.01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	UWMgs6	0.134	10.94	2.17	0.15	-8.88	0.15	11.38	0.19	2.195	0.016	-2.08	0.15	
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	UWMgs7	0.295	16.61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	UWSd2	0.530	15.88	6.27	0.08	-9.46	0.08	10.64	0.16	2.869	0.006	-1.11	0.15	
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	UWSd3	0.645	15.30	5.05	0.06	-10.09	0.06	10.00	0.15	3.009	0.008	-0.83	0.10	
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	UWSd4	0.938	9.14	0.18	0.17	-8.88	0.17	11.21	0.22	2.944	0.082	-2.13	0.21	
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	UWSd5	0.797	10.48	-0.40	0.12	-10.77	0.12	9.24	0.18	3.014	0.009	-1.30	0.23	
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	UWSd1	0.997	7.92	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S16 ⁱ	10	Type-I	Ivg. Sd ^j	0.998	7.79	-0.46	0.12	-8.18	0.12	11.33	0.16	2.960	0.008	-2.94	0.28	
S19	10	Type-I	Brazil Mgs ^j	0.004	15.01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S19	10	Type-I	UWMgs1	0.002	12.28	-8.33	0.08	-20.36	0.08	0.00	0.19	1.826	0.006	-3.42	0.21	
S19	10	Type-I	UWMgs2	0.012	16.99	-1.40	0.10	-18.14	0.10	2.33	0.22	1.874	0.007	-3.24	0.17	
S19	10	Type-I	UWMgs3	0.017	10.58	-7.15	0.17	-17.84	0.17	2.78	0.26	1.870	0.007	-3.04	0.15	
S19	10	Type-I	UWMgs4	0.104	12.62	3.21	0.07	-9.37	0.07	11.28	0.25	2.093	0.010	-2.42	0.17	
S19	10	Type-I	UWMgs5a	0.105	11.01	1.46	0.10	-9.80	0.10	11.04	0.22	2.060	0.008	-2.50	0.21	
S19	10	Type-I	UWMgs5b	0.105	11.01	1.76	0.08	-9.50	0.08	11.14	0.21	2.052	0.010	-2.24	0.18	
S19	10	Type-I	UWMgs6	0.134	10.94	2.60	0.18	-8.71	0.18	11.94	0.28	2.172	0.013	-2.12	0.24	
S19	10	Type-I	UWMgs7	0.295	16.61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S19	10	Type-I	UWSd2	0.530	15.88	6.56	0.04	-9.43	0.04	11.21	0.21	2.702	0.004	-1.02	0.37	
S19	10	Type-I	UWSd3	0.645	15.30	5.36	0.09	-10.04	0.09	10.59	0.22	2.861	0.018	-0.79	0.29	
S19	10	Type-I	UWSd4	0.938	9.14	0.38	0.20	-8.93	0.20	11.72	0.29	2.829	0.010	-3.06	0.21	
S19	10	Type-I	UWSd5 ^j	0.797	10.48	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S19	10	Type-I	UWSd1 ^j	0.997	7.92	-0.50	0.08	-8.55	0.08	12.11	0.22	2.767	0.005	-3.79	0.14	
S19	10	Type-I	Ivg. Sd ^j	0.998	7.79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S21	10	Type-II	Brazil Mgs ^j	0.004	15.01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S21	10	Type-II	UWMgs1	0.002	12.28	-14.29	0.26	-26.25	0.26	0.00	0.27	1.784	0.019	-2.22	0.26	
S21	10	Type-II	UWMgs2	0.012	16.99	-7.63	0.20	-24.21	0.20	2.10	0.33	1.843	0.014	-1.62	0.15	
S21	10	Type-II	UWMgs3	0.017	10.58	-13.52	0.20	-23.85	0.20	2.46	0.33	1.880	0.015	-1.49	0.14	
S21	10	Type-II	UWMgs4	0.104	12.62	-2.12	0.13	-14.56	0.13	12.01	0.30	2.283	0.045	-1.20	0.17	
S21	10	Type-II	UWMgs5a	0.105	11.01	-3.86	0.26	-14.35	0.26	12.22	0.39	2.439	0.007	-1.00	0.18	
S21	10	Type-II	UWMgs5b	0.105	11.01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S21	10	Type-II	UWMgs6	0.134	10.94	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S21	10	Type-II	UWMgs7	0.295	16.61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S21	10	Type-II	UWSd2	0.530	15.88	4.83	0.15	-10.48	0.15	16.19	0.32	2.977	0.024	-0.70	0.15	
S21	10	Type-II	UWSd3	0.645	15.30	4.14	0.07	-10.59	0.07	16.08	0.29	3.056	0.016	-0.55	0.12	
S21	10	Type-II	UWSd4	0.938	9.14	-2.70	0.68	-11.33	0.68	15.32	0.73	3.189	0.110	-0.79	0.17	
S21	10	Type-II	UWSd5 ^j	0.797	10.48	-1.45	0.28	-11.41	0.28	15.24	0.39	3.080	0.012	-0.38	0.18	
S21	10	Type-II	UWSd1 ^j	0.997	7.92	-0.46	0.07	-12.03	0.07	14.61	0.32	3.462	0.012	-1.42	0.15	
S21	10	Type-II	Ivg. Sd ^j	0.998	7.79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S22	10	Type-I	Brazil Mgs ^j	0.004	15.01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S22	10	Type-I	UWMgs1	0.002	12.28	-7.93	0.16	-19.96	0.16	0.00	0.19	2.080	0.008	-3.40	0.30	
S22	10	Type-I	UWMgs2	0.012	16.99	-0.73	0.24	-17.42	0.24	2.59	0.31	2.121	0.013	-3.40	0.40	
S22	10	Type-I	UWMgs3	0.017	10.58	-6.41	0.37	-16.87	0.37	3.15	0.44	2.137	0.010	-3.30	0.30	
S22	10	Type-I	UWMgs4	0.104	12.62	3.62	0.08	-8.95	0.08	11.23	0.30	2.368	0.012	-2.30	0.40	
S22	10	Type-I	UWMgs5a	0.105	11.01	1.50	0.21	-9.47	0.21	10.70	0.30	2.379	0.010	-2.60	0.20	
S22	10	Type-I	UWMgs5b	0.105	11.01	2.06	0.14	-8.92	0.14	11.26	0.26	2.384	0.008	-2.50	0.40	
S22	10	Type-I	UWMgs6	0.134	10.94	2.49	0.10	-8.50	0.10	11.69	0.25	2.440	0.009	-2.20	0.20	
S22	10	Type-I	UWMgs7	0.295	16.61	9.14	0.37	-7.28	0.37	12.96	0.46	2.752	0.011	-1.70	0.20	
S22	10	Type-I	UWSd2	0.530	15.88	6.41	0.15	-9.47	0.15	10.71	0.28	2.995	0.0130	-1.40	0.20	
S22	10	Type-I	UWSd3	0.645	15.30	5.22	0.04	-10.02	0.04	10.14	0.23	3.110	0.020	-1.50	0.30	
S22	10	Type-I	UWSd4	0.938	9.14	0.46	0.37	-8.65	0.37	11.54	0.44	2.983	0.013	-3.20	0.30	
S22	10	Type-I	UWSd5 ^j	0.797	10.48	-0.26	0.25	-10.72	0.25	9.43	0.34	3.062	0.015	-2.20	0.40	
S22	10	Type-I	UWSd1 ^j	0.997	7.92	-0.10	0.12	-8.05	0.12	12.15	0.25	2.946	0.006	-3.50	0.20	
S22	10	Type-I	Ivg. Sd ^j	0.998	7.79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S24	3	Type-II	Brazil Mgs ^j	0.004	15.01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S24	3	Type-II	UWMgs1	0.002	12.28	-24.21	0.65	-36.05	0.65	0.00	0.85	1.423	0.010	-1.48	0.74	
S24	3	Type-II	UWMgs2	0.012	16.99	-16.75	0.61	-33.18	0.61	2.81	1.10	1.520	0.017	-0.22	0.63	
S24	3	Type-II	UWMgs3	0.017	10.58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S24	3	Type-II	UWMgs4	0.104	12.62	-11.29	0.15	-23.61	0.15	12.53	0.93	1.865	0.006	-1.08	0.55	
S24	3	Type-II	UWMgs5a	0.105	11.01	-13.40	0.45	-24.14	0.45	12.47	1.01	1.836	0.005	-1.41	0.60	
S24	3	Type-II	UWMgs5b	0.105	11.01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S24	3	Type-II	UWMgs6	0.134	10.94	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S24	3	Type-II	UWMgs7	0.295	16.61	-3.55	0.83	-19.83	0.83	16.23	1.18	2.578	0.081	0.10	0.31	
S24	3	Type-II	UWSd2	0.530	15.88	-4.40	0.38	-19.98	0.38	16.89	0.75	2.658	0.081	0.60	0.56	
S24	3	Type-II	UWSd3	0.645	15.30	-5.10	0.42	-20.10	0.42	16.55	0.77	2.796	0.074	-0.06	0.48	
S24	3	Type-II	UWSd4	0.938	9.14	-11.23	0.62	-20.19	0.62	16.57	1.09	2.862	0.053	-1.10	0.53	
S24	3	Type-II	UWSd5 ^j	0.797	10.48	-10.30	0.64	-20.56	0.64	15.69	1.12	2.836	0.115	0.52	0.43	
S24	3	Type-II	UWSd1 ^j	0.997	7.92	-12.51	0.25	-20.27	0.25	15.78	0.88	2.773	0.018	-1.08	0.49	
S24	3	Type-II	Ivg. Sd ^j	0.998	7.79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S26	3	Type-I	Brazil Mgs ^j	0.004	15.01	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S26	3	Type-I	UWMgs1	0.002	12.28	-22.66	0.48	-34.52	0.48	0.00	0.48	1.864	0.008	-4.62	0.75	
S26	3	Type-I	UWMgs2	0.012	16.99	-15.35	0.43	-31.80	0.43							

Table 4. SIMS $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias data for magnesite-siderite calibration RMs of this study, measured during multiple analytical sessions over a 2-year period (2015-2017).

Session ID	Spot size (μm)	Trend type	RM ID	Fe# ^a	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ True ^b (‰, VPDB)	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ raw ^c	2se	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias ^(c,d)	2se	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ bias ^(RM-UWMgs1) ^(e)	2se	^{12}C Yield (Mcps/nA)	2se	$\Delta^{13}\text{C}(c_f-c_i)$ ^(f)	2se	
S17	6	Type-II	Brazil Mgs ^(g,h)	0.004	-0.96	-54.71	0.06	-53.80	0.06	0.00	0.34	7.846	0.030	-3.17	1.30	
S17	6	Type-II	UWMgs1	0.002	-0.82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S17	6	Type-II	UWMgs2	0.012	-5.03	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S17	6	Type-II	UWMgs3	0.017	-0.32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S17	6	Type-II	UWMgs4	0.104	-11.97	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S17	6	Type-II	UWMgs5a	0.105	-4.92	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S17	6	Type-II	UWMgs5b	0.105	-4.90	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S17	6	Type-II	UWMgs6	0.134	-4.95	-61.64	0.21	-55.90	0.21	-2.22	0.44	10.768	0.068	-3.82	0.85	
S17	6	Type-II	UWMgs7	0.295	1.35	-	-	-	-	-	-	11.497	0.051	-0.74	0.74	
S17	6	Type-II	UWSd2	0.530	-4.03	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S17	6	Type-II	UWSd3	0.645	-5.06	-66.59	0.20	-60.09	0.20	-6.65	0.59	-	-	-	-	-
S17	6	Type-II	UWSd4	0.938	-5.49	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S17	6	Type-II	UWSd5 ⁽ⁱ⁾	0.797	-7.28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S17	6	Type-II	UWSd1 ⁽ⁱ⁾	0.997	-8.07	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S17	6	Type-II	Ivg. Sd ^(k)	0.998	-8.18	-70.90	0.29	-63.24	0.29	-9.97	0.45	8.086	0.056	-3.11	1.36	
S18	6	Type-II	Brazil Mgs ^(g,h)	0.004	-0.96	-54.96	0.10	-54.05	0.10	0.00	0.18	9.216	0.114	-2.96	1.26	
S18	6	Type-II	UWMgs1	0.002	-0.82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S18	6	Type-II	UWMgs2	0.012	-5.03	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S18	6	Type-II	UWMgs3	0.017	-0.32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S18	6	Type-II	UWMgs4	0.104	-11.97	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S18	6	Type-II	UWMgs5a	0.105	-4.92	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S18	6	Type-II	UWMgs5b	0.105	-4.90	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S18	6	Type-II	UWMgs6	0.134	-4.95	-60.72	0.25	-55.61	0.25	-1.64	0.34	11.368	0.128	-4.84	1.06	
S18	6	Type-II	UWMgs7	0.295	1.35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S18	6	Type-II	UWSd2	0.530	-4.03	-64.21	0.10	-60.07	0.10	-6.36	0.26	12.867	0.040	-4.49	0.66	
S18	6	Type-II	UWSd3	0.645	-5.06	-66.32	0.16	-61.16	0.16	-7.52	0.30	12.424	0.064	-3.82	0.77	
S18	6	Type-II	UWSd4	0.938	-5.49	-67.10	0.19	-61.88	0.19	-8.28	0.30	9.077	0.147	-4.44	0.71	
S18	6	Type-II	UWSd5 ⁽ⁱ⁾	0.797	-7.28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S18	6	Type-II	UWSd1 ⁽ⁱ⁾	0.997	-8.07	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S18	6	Type-II	Ivg. Sd ^(k)	0.998	-8.18	-70.60	0.45	-62.93	0.45	-9.39	0.49	7.984	0.078	-4.10	1.50	
S20	6	Type-I	Brazil Mgs ^(j)	0.004	-0.96	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S20	6	Type-I	UWMgs1	0.002	-0.82	-50.77	0.19	-49.99	0.19	0.00	0.27	7.311	0.029	-2.63	0.84	
S20	6	Type-I	UWMgs2	0.012	-5.03	-55.71	0.20	-50.26	0.20	-0.28	0.35	7.565	0.062	-2.85	0.60	
S20	6	Type-I	UWMgs3	0.017	-0.32	-51.03	0.22	-50.46	0.22	-0.49	0.39	8.508	0.058	-2.95	0.56	
S20	6	Type-I	UWMgs4	0.104	-11.97	-64.42	0.22	-52.59	0.22	-2.74	0.37	9.464	0.063	-3.21	0.89	
S20	6	Type-I	UWMgs5a	0.105	-4.92	-57.74	0.20	-52.45	0.20	-2.59	0.39	9.531	0.057	-3.42	0.83	
S20	6	Type-I	UWMgs5b	0.105	-4.90	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S20	6	Type-I	UWMgs6	0.134	-4.95	-58.58	0.46	-52.65	0.46	-2.80	0.58	10.331	0.040	-3.75	1.23	
S20	6	Type-I	UWMgs7	0.295	1.35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S20	6	Type-I	UWSd2	0.530	-4.03	-60.62	0.53	-56.40	0.53	-6.74	0.62	11.341	0.132	-1.74	1.11	
S20	6	Type-I	UWSd3	0.645	-5.06	-62.57	0.36	-57.38	0.36	-7.78	0.48	10.974	0.077	-0.90	1.16	
S20	6	Type-I	UWSd4	0.938	-5.49	-63.88	0.27	-58.29	0.27	-8.73	0.43	9.224	0.338	-2.05	1.47	
S20	6	Type-I	UWSd5 ⁽ⁱ⁾	0.797	-7.28	-65.14	0.21	-58.06	0.21	-8.49	0.37	10.215	0.091	-0.88	1.17	
S20	6	Type-I	UWSd1 ⁽ⁱ⁾	0.997	-8.07	-67.99	0.13	-59.80	0.13	-10.33	0.35	8.264	0.020	-3.72	1.00	
S20	6	Type-I	Ivg. Sd ^(k)	0.998	-8.18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S23	6	Type-I	Brazil Mgs ^(j)	0.004	-0.96	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S23	6	Type-I	UWMgs1	0.002	-0.82	-52.25	0.40	-51.47	0.40	0.00	0.43	8.092	0.118	-4.32	1.19	
S23	6	Type-I	UWMgs2	0.012	-5.03	-57.18	0.19	-52.35	0.19	-0.92	0.53	8.554	0.095	-3.72	1.02	
S23	6	Type-I	UWMgs3	0.017	-0.32	-52.71	0.22	-52.34	0.22	-0.92	0.54	8.610	0.493	-3.72	2.84	
S23	6	Type-I	UWMgs4	0.104	-11.97	-65.72	0.35	-54.40	0.35	-3.08	0.56	10.796	0.101	-4.24	0.91	
S23	6	Type-I	UWMgs5a	0.105	-4.92	-58.78	0.44	-54.06	0.44	-2.73	0.66	10.791	0.108	-4.16	1.05	
S23	6	Type-I	UWMgs5b	0.105	-4.90	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S23	6	Type-I	UWMgs6	0.134	-4.95	-59.74	0.28	-55.00	0.28	-3.72	0.56	11.174	0.012	-4.13	1.41	
S23	6	Type-I	UWMgs7	0.295	1.35	-54.90	0.21	-56.64	0.21	-5.44	0.51	12.425	0.057	-2.83	0.62	
S23	6	Type-I	UWSd2	0.530	-4.03	-62.22	0.23	-58.26	0.23	-7.15	0.53	12.570	0.096	-2.51	0.91	
S23	6	Type-I	UWSd3	0.645	-5.06	-63.57	0.31	-58.64	0.31	-7.55	0.57	12.170	0.107	-1.32	1.49	
S23	6	Type-I	UWSd4	0.938	-5.49	-65.91	0.34	-60.69	0.34	-9.72	0.59	9.617	0.206	-2.54	1.21	
S23	6	Type-I	UWSd5 ⁽ⁱ⁾	0.797	-7.28	-67.02	0.50	-60.01	0.50	-9.00	0.69	10.968	0.157	-3.12	1.12	
S23	6	Type-I	UWSd1 ⁽ⁱ⁾	0.997	-8.07	-69.00	0.31	-61.43	0.31	-10.49	0.53	8.399	0.038	-3.90	1.09	
S23	6	Type-I	Ivg. Sd ^(k)	0.998	-8.18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

^aFe# = molar Fe/(Mg+Fe); the uncertainties that accompany this EPMA-derived parameter are tabulated in Table 2

^b $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ VPDB value determined by conventional phosphoric acid digestion and gas-source mass spectrometry (see Appendix A)

^cValue corrected for instrumental drift relative to UWC-3 Reference Bracket.

^dValue calculated via equations 2 and 3

^eValue calculated via equation 4

^fCumulative change in $\delta^{13}\text{C}_{\text{raw}}$ between the initial and final cycle of analysis

^gCalibration data from this session was normalized to the Brazil Mgs end-member rather than to UWMgs1, which was not yet developed at this stage.

^hRM from Eiler et al. (1997).

ⁱThe RM UWSd5 is a new split of JE-Mg-Sid of Eiler et al. (1997).

^jThe RM UWSd1 is a new split of Ivg. Sd (grains of new split are not rimmed by an FeO coating).

^kRM from Eiler et al. (1997)

Table 5. Results of crystallographic orientation effect test on measured $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ bias.

RM ID	Fe#	Grain mount type	$\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{raw}} (\text{\textperthousand})$	$\delta^{18}\text{O}_{\text{bias}}$	$2s^{(c)}$	n
UWSd1	0.997	Regular ^(a)	-4.56	-12.38	0.26	4
UWSd1	0.997	Oriented ^(b)	-4.67	-12.49	0.28	8
UWMgs5a	0.105	Regular ^(a)	-3.86	-14.71	0.58	5
UWMgs5a	0.105	Oriented ^(b)	-3.90	-14.75	0.72	10
UWMgs4	0.104	Regular ^(a)	-2.12	-14.56	0.25	4
UWMgs4	0.104	Oriented ^(b)	-2.13	-14.57	0.29	8

^(a) When grains are laid out on a flat casting plate, the rhombic geometry of carbonte grains results in an under-representation of edges and apices.

^(b) Mount with grain edges and apices oriented perpendicular to casting plate surface (grains embedded into deep grooves cuts into 1-mm thick and stiff carbon tape).

^(c) Among-grain variability

Appendix A. Results of conventional phosphoric acid digestion and gas-source mass spectrometric analyses performed on the magnesite-siderite RMs of this study.

RM ID	Analysis i.d.	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ (‰) Raw ^(a)	Acid-frac. factor (a) ^(b)	Temp. (°C) ^(c)	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ (‰) ^(d) (VSMOW)	$\delta^{18}\text{O}$ (‰) ^(e) (VPDB)	$\delta^{13}\text{C}$ (‰) ^(e) (VPDB)
UWMgs1							
	C4-251-9	21.71	1.009331	100	12.28	-18.09	-0.82
	C4-251-11	21.74	1.009331	100	12.29	-18.06	-0.82
	C4-251-10	21.74	1.009331	100	12.29	-18.06	-0.81
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				12.28	-18.07	-0.82
				2s	0.03	0.03	0.01
UWMgs2							
	C4-251-14	26.45	1.00933	100	16.97	-13.52	-5.02
	C4-251-13	26.50	1.00933	100	17.01	-13.48	-5.03
	C4-251-15	26.46	1.00933	100	16.98	-13.51	-5.03
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				16.99	-13.50	-5.03
				2s	0.05	0.05	0.01
UWMgs3							
	C4-251-1	20.02	1.00932	100	10.60	-19.70	-0.33
	C4-251-2	20.00	1.00932	100	10.58	-19.72	-0.31
	C4-251-3	19.99	1.00932	100	10.57	-19.73	-0.31
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				10.58	-19.72	-0.32
				2s	0.03	0.03	0.02
UWMgs4							
	C4-251-5	22.00	1.00928	100	12.61	-17.75	-11.98
	C4-251-6	22.03	1.00928	100	12.64	-17.72	-11.96
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				12.62	-17.74	-11.97
				2s	0.04	0.04	0.03
UWMgs5a							
	C4-251-21	20.37	1.00928	100	10.99	-19.32	-4.92
	C4-251-22	20.39	1.00928	100	11.01	-19.30	-4.91
	C4-251-23	20.42	1.00928	100	11.04	-19.27	-4.92
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				11.01	-19.30	-4.92
				2s	0.05	0.05	0.01
UWMgs5b							
	C4-251-17	20.34	1.00928	100	10.96	-19.35	-4.90
	C4-251-19	20.44	1.00928	100	11.06	-19.25	-4.90
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				11.01	-19.30	-4.90
				2s	0.14	0.14	0.00
UWMgs6							
	C4-247-13	20.29	1.00926	100	10.93	-19.38	-4.96
	C4-248-2	20.29	1.00926	100	10.93	-19.38	-4.96
	C4-248-3	20.32	1.00926	100	10.96	-19.35	-4.95
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				10.94	-19.37	-4.95
				2s	0.03	0.03	0.01
UWMgs7							
	C4-255-13	25.05	1.00918	100	16.62	-13.86	1.36
	C4-255-15	25.06	1.00918	100	16.63	-13.85	1.34
	C4-255-16	25.00	1.00918	100	16.57	-13.91	1.36
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				16.61	-13.87	1.35
				2s	0.06	0.06	0.02
UWSd2							
	C4-247-11	25.08	1.00905	100	15.86	-14.80	-4.03
	C4-247-10	25.02	1.00905	100	15.82	-14.83	-4.04
	C4-248-1	25.14	1.00905	100	15.94	-14.52	-4.01
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				15.88	-14.58	-4.03
				2s	0.12	0.12	0.03
UWSd3							
	Calculated with renormalized Ca-Mg-Fe; Mn excluded						
	C4-247-7	24.43	1.00899	100	15.30	-15.14	-5.06
	C4-247-6	24.47	1.00899	100	15.34	-15.10	-5.04
	C4-247-5	24.40	1.00899	100	15.27	-15.17	-5.07
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				15.30	-15.14	-5.06
				2s	0.07	0.07	0.03
UWSd3^(b)							
	Calculated as (Ca+Mn)-Mg-Fe						
	C4-247-7	24.43	1.00899	100	15.30	-15.14	-5.06
	C4-247-6	24.47	1.00899	100	15.34	-15.10	-5.04
	C4-247-5	24.40	1.00899	100	15.27	-15.17	-5.07
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				15.30	-15.14	-5.06
				2s	0.07	0.07	0.03
UWSd4							
	C4-247-2	18.07	1.00884	100	9.15	-21.10	-5.50
	C4-247-1	18.06	1.00884	100	9.14	-21.11	-5.47
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				9.14	-21.11	-5.49
				2s	0.01	0.01	0.04
UWSd1							
	C4-252-1	16.84	1.00881	100	7.96	-22.26	-8.08
	C4-252-2	16.78	1.00881	100	7.90	-22.32	-8.08
	C4-252-3	16.78	1.00881	100	7.90	-22.32	-8.08
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				7.92	-22.30	-8.07
				2s	0.07	0.07	0.02
UWSd5							
	C4-252-9	19.49	1.00891	100	10.49	-19.80	-7.27
	C4-252-10	19.47	1.00891	100	10.47	-19.82	-7.28
	C4-252-11	19.48	1.00891	100	10.48	-19.81	-7.28
	Average of 3 separate digestions (~5-mg each):				10.48	-19.81	-7.28
				2s	0.02	0.02	0.01

^(a) Value measured by gas-source mass spectrometry; raw $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ value prior to correction for phosphoric acid fractionation during carbonate digestion

^(b) Phosphoric acid-fractionation factor for $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ (at 100°C) calculated using Equation 4 of Rosenbaum and Sheppard (1986) and the cation composition (Ca-Mg-Fe normalized) of each RM.

^(c) Carbonate phosphoric acid digestion temperature (~4 hours)

^(d) The RM 'UWC-3' was analyzed concurrently as a quality control measure (calibrated to NIST-19: $\delta^{18}\text{O} = 12.49 \pm 0.06$ (2s), $\delta^{13}\text{C} = -0.91 \pm 0.08$ (2s); see Koziol et al., 2009). 15 replicate measurements yielded an average $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ value of 12.67 ± 0.13 (2s) (‰, VSMOW) and an average $\delta^{13}\text{C}$ value of -0.93 ± 0.04 (2s) (‰, VPDB). The phosphoric acid-fractionation factor for $\delta^{18}\text{O}$ (at 100°C) was calculated after Kim et al. (2007).

^(e) VSMOW to VPDB conversion after Coplen et al. (1983).

^(f) The effect of Mn cation on the phosphoric acid-fractionation factor for the Magnesite-Siderite series (calculated here after Rosenbaum and Sheppard, 1986) was approximated by examining Fig. 1 in Ding et al. (2003), which shows that the effect of Mn is most similar to that of Ca for calcite group minerals. Thus, for this alternate calculation, the Mn-content of this RM was added to the Ca-content. The cations were then normalized to (Ca+Mn)-Mg-Fe and the acid-fractionation factor was calculated using Equation 4 of Rosenbaum and Sheppard (1986).