

1 **Oxidation state of iron and Fe-Mg partitioning between olivine and basaltic Martian melts**

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## ABSTRACT

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23 We performed a series of experiments at 1 atmosphere pressure and temperatures of  
24 1300-1500°C to determine the effect of oxygen fugacity on the oxidation state of Fe in a  
25 synthetic Martian basalt. Ferric-ferrous ratios were determined on the quenched glasses using  
26 Mössbauer spectroscopy. Following the conventional doublet assignments in the spectrum we  
27 obtain, at 1450°C, a  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$  of 0.19 at an oxygen fugacity corresponding to the QFM buffer. If,  
28 in contrast, we follow the Berry et al. (2018) assignments the calculated  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$  drops to 0.09,  
29 and the slope of the  $\log\left(\frac{X_{\text{FeO}_{1.5}}^{\text{melt}}}{X_{\text{FeO}}^{\text{melt}}}\right)$  versus  $\log(fO_2)$  changes from 0.18 to 0.26.

30 We used the oxidation state data, together with results of one additional olivine-bearing  
31 experiment to determine the appropriate value(s) for the olivine (ol)-liquid (liq) exchange  
32 coefficient,  $K_{\text{D,Fe}^{2+}\text{-Mg}} = (\text{FeO}/\text{MgO})^{\text{ol}}/(\text{FeO}/\text{MgO})^{\text{liq}}$  (by weight). Our work suggests a  $K_{\text{D,Fe}^{2+}\text{-Mg}}$   
33 of  $0.388 \pm 0.006$  (uncertainty is one median absolute deviation) using the traditional  
34 interpretation of Mössbauer spectroscopy and, a value of  $0.345 \pm 0.005$  following the Mössbauer  
35 spectra approach of Berry et al. (2018). These results are broadly consistent with olivine-liquid  
36 partitioning data from the literature; using O'Neill et al. (2006) to estimate the  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  content of  
37 experiments (an approach consistent with the traditional Mössbauer interpretation) gives a  
38  $K_{\text{D,Fe}^{2+}\text{-Mg}}$  of  $0.365 \pm 0.016$ ; using O'Neill et al. (2018) to estimate the  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  content of  
39 experiments (an approach consistent with the Berry et al. (2018) Mössbauer interpretation) yields  
40 a  $K_{\text{D,Fe}^{2+}\text{-Mg}}$  of  $0.359 \pm 0.016$ .

41 We used our value of  $K_{\text{D,Fe}^{2+}\text{-Mg}}$  to test whether any of the olivine-bearing shergottites  
42 represent liquids. For each meteorite, we assumed a liquid composition equal to that of the bulk,  
43 and then compared that liquid to the most Mg-rich olivine reported. Applying a  $K_{\text{D,Fe}^{2+}\text{-Mg}}$  of

44 ~0.36 leads to the possibility that bulk Yamato 980459, NWA 5789, NWA 2990, Tissint, and  
45 EETA 79001 (lithology A) represent liquids.

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## INTRODUCTION

49 The partitioning of elements between solid and liquid phases is an important tool for  
50 understanding and modeling igneous processes; relationships involving olivine are of particular  
51 interest due to its presence in a broad range of mafic and ultramafic lavas on the Earth and other  
52 planetary bodies (e.g., BVSP, 1981) and to its relatively simple major element chemistry. In a  
53 landmark study, Roeder and Emslie (1970) found that the olivine (ol)-liquid (liq) exchange  
54 coefficient,  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg} = (FeO/MgO)^{ol}/(FeO/MgO)^{liq}$  is  $0.30 \pm 0.03$  for basaltic compositions and  
55 independent of temperature between 1150 and 1300°C. The canonical value of 0.30 is still  
56 employed in both terrestrial and Martian applications (e.g., Falloon et al., 2007; Peslier et al.,  
57 2010, respectively), even though it has been challenged as being too low (e.g., Matzen et al.,  
58 2011). It is also important to note that liquid composition can have a significant effect on  
59  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  (e.g., Ford et al., 1983; Gee and Sack, 1988; Toplis, 2005), which may limit the  
60 applicability of any specific value. Moreover, experimental work on terrestrial magmas  
□ 61 (summarized by Matzen et al., 2011), Martian melt compositions (summarized by Filiberto and  
62 Dasgupta, 2011), eucrites (Stolper, 1977), and low-Ti lunar model compositions (Longhi et al.,  
63 1978; Seifert et al., 1988) indicate that a  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  of 0.33, or higher, is appropriate for many  
64 applications. Choice of the correct value of  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  is important for many specific  
65 applications. For example, Fe-Mg partitioning can be used as a criterion of equilibrium in  
66 experiments (e.g., Filiberto et al., 2010b) and for the estimation of parental liquid compositions

67 which allows the calculation of mantle potential temperatures (e.g., Falloon et al., 2007; Putirka  
68 et al., 2007), as well as putative mantle compositions capable of producing observed magmas.

69 Although measurement of the olivine-liquid  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  relies (typically) on microprobe  
70 determination of olivine and glass compositions, the Fe content of the glass must be divided into  
71  $Fe^{2+}O$  and  $Fe^{3+}O_{1.5}$  because the concentrations of both valences in the liquid are non-negligible  
72 at the conditions under which magmas on the Earth and Mars are believed to have formed and  
73 evolved (e.g., Cottrell and Kelley, 2011; Tuff et al., 2013). Measuring  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{2+}$  in silicate  
74 liquids is difficult; as a result,  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{2+}$  of a melt it is often assumed to be negligible (e.g.,  
75 Filiberto and Dasgupta, 2011) or calculated using prior experimental calibrations (e.g., Sack et  
76 al. 1980, Jayasuriya et al. 2004). Given that these calibrations are largely based on terrestrial  
77 compositions, however, it is possible that their application to the high-Fe and low-Al Martian  
78 basalt compositions (Richter et al., 2013) introduces systematic errors into calculated  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{2+}$ ,  
79 and the resulting  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  values.

80 To more accurately constrain  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{2+}$  in magmatic liquids, and the corresponding  
81  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$ , of Martian basalts, we conducted a series of experiments at controlled temperature  
82 and oxygen fugacity ( $fO_2$ ) on a synthetic analog of a proposed primary Martian basalt. After  
□ 83 quenching,  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{2+}$  ratios of the resultant glasses were determined by Mössbauer spectroscopy.  
84 We then combined our data with experiments from the literature to—after estimating the relative  
85 proportions of  $Fe^{3+}$  and  $Fe^{2+}$  in the liquid—determine an appropriate  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  value for  
86 Martian magmas. Finally, we used our value of  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  to determine which, if any, of the  
87 olivine-phyric shergottites potentially represent liquids. □

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## EXPERIMENTAL AND ANALYTICAL TECHNIQUES

### 89 **Experimental Strategy/Overview**

90 Most experiments were performed under superliquidus conditions to ensure equilibration  
91 of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}$  in the melt with the flowing CO-CO<sub>2</sub> mixture was rapid (e.g., Thornber et al., 1980),  
92 and that experiments should (and did) quench to crystal-free glasses, facilitating the  
93 measurement of  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}$  by Mössbauer spectroscopy. In one group of experiments, the  
94 temperature was held approximately constant (~1450°C) and the  $\log$  of the  $f\text{O}_2$  varied between  
95 -10 (4.2  $\log_{10}$  units below the quartz-fayalite-magnetite buffer, defined by O'Neill (1987), QFM  
96 -4.2) and -0.68 (QFM +5.1) in order to determine if the available  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}$  models accurately  
97 describe our observations. In the second series of experiments, the  $f\text{O}_2$  was held approximately  
98 constant, relative to the QFM buffer, and temperature varied from 1300 to 1500°C. Combining  
99 these two series of experiments allows us to infer the  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}$  ratio of our melt under arbitrary  
100 conditions and, to the extent our selected bulk composition is representative of Mars-appropriate  
101 melts, we can also determine an accurate  $K_{\text{D,Fe}^{+2}\text{-Mg}}$  for olivine and glass (or a bulk composition  
102 being tested as a possible liquid) extracted from a Martian rock.

### 103 **Starting compositions**

104 Our initial composition was based on the average of the estimated Home Plate primitive  
105 magma compositions reported by Filiberto and Dasgupta (2011). To avoid time-dependent alkali  
106 loss in the one-atmosphere furnace (e.g., Corrigan and Gibb, 1979; Tsuchiyama et al., 1981),  
107 Na<sub>2</sub>O was excluded and K<sub>2</sub>O was replaced with an equal amount of NiO to facilitate a separate  
108 project on the partitioning of Ni between olivine and melt. This target composition was re-  
109 normalized and named MB1 (see Table 1). A mixture was prepared using high-purity oxides and  
110 carbonates that were combined and ground in an agate mortar under ethanol for approximately

111 2.5 hours, followed by decarbonation at 800°C in air overnight and, in some cases, reduction (see  
112 below). Our  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}$  equilibration experiments were performed using this bulk composition.  
113 Reconnaissance experiments on MB1 showed that low-calcium pyroxene, with an Mg# ~78  
114 [Mg# =  $\text{Mg}/(\text{Mg}+\text{Fe})$ , atomic], is the liquidus phase, appearing between 1250 and 1300°C. To  
115 ensure olivine saturation at the liquidus, we added ~17% synthetic olivine (enough to ensure  
116 olivine saturation and that the experiment remained dominated by liquid, to help facilitate rapid  
117 equilibration) with an Mg# of 77 (the estimated Mg# of olivine in the primitive Martian mantle;  
118 Filiberto and Dasgupta 2011). This new bulk composition was named MB2. We refer to the as-  
119 synthesized and analyzed starting materials based on MB1 and MB2 as Syn-MB1 and Syn-MB2,  
120 respectively (see Table 1).

## 121 **Experimental Techniques**

122       After decarbonation, splits of the MB1 and MB2 starting materials were reduced at  
123 900°C, either at an  $f\text{O}_2$  corresponding to the QFM buffer or to 5  $\log_{10}$  units below the QFM  
124 buffer (QFM-5) for 2–5 hrs. Experiments run in air used unreduced starting material;  
125 experiments where  $\text{QFM} \leq f\text{O}_2 < \text{air}$  used the powder reduced at QFM, and experiments more  
126 reducing than QFM used the powder reduced at ~QFM -5. Powdered starting materials were  
127 pressed into ~4 mm thick 13 mm diameter pellets using ethanol as a binder and pieces of pellet  
128 (generally between 50 and 140 mg) were loaded onto wire loops constructed using 0.25 mm  
129 diameter Pt or Re wire (see Table 2). Loop material for a particular experiment was chosen as a  
130 compromise between the lower Fe solubility in Re, compared to Pt at a given  $f\text{O}_2$ , and the  
131 increasing volatility of Re with increasing  $f\text{O}_2$  (e.g., Borisov and Jones, 1999; Grove, 1981). We  
132 also mitigated Fe loss from the sample to the loop through pre-conditioning with two or more  
133 doping experiments, usually 12 hours in duration, using the same starting material held at the

134 same temperature and  $fO_2$  on each loop prior to the experiments reported in Table 2. After a pre-  
135 conditioning experiment, the silicate bead was physically removed from the loop and the loop  
136 was cleaned by soaking in room-temperature hydrofluoric acid.

137 Experiments were introduced into the hot spot of a vertical one-atmosphere furnace at  
138  $\sim 850^\circ\text{C}$  with the mixed gas selected for the experiment already flowing.  $fO_2$  was controlled by  
139 flowing CO-CO<sub>2</sub> mixtures or air with a total flow rate of  $\sim 200$  ml/min. Gas mixes were set, using  
140 mass-flow controllers, to give the desired  $fO_2$  at the final run temperature. In most experiments  
141 (see Table 2 for exceptions),  $fO_2$  was monitored using a yttria-stabilized zirconia oxygen sensor.  
142 Temperature was monitored using a type-B thermocouple, calibrated against the melting point of  
143 gold. Temperature was ramped from  $\sim 850^\circ\text{C}$  to the final run temperature at a rate of  $400\text{--}500^\circ$   
144  $\text{hr}^{-1}$ ; note that the time it took to reach the final run temperature is not included in the run times  
145 reported in Table 2. Experiments were drop quenched into a beaker of deionized water. Chips of  
146 recovered glass were mounted in epoxy for analysis with the electron microprobe, and splits of  
147 glass were ground, mixed with sugar, and pressed into pellets for analysis with Mössbauer  
148 spectroscopy.

#### 149 **Analytical Techniques**

150 Glasses, and olivines were analyzed using a JEOL-8600 electron microprobe at the  
151 University of Oxford School of Archaeology and data were reduced using a PAP procedure  
152 (Pouchou and Pichoir, 1988). An accelerating voltage of 15 kV, beam currents of 10 and 40 nA,  
153 and spot sizes of 10 and 1  $\mu\text{m}$  were used for glasses and olivines, respectively. Counting times  
154 ranged from 30 to 60 s on peak and half of that for backgrounds. MPI-DING glass GOR 128  
155 (Jochum et al., 2006) was analyzed periodically during each glass analytical session as a  
156 secondary standard; in all probe sessions, the average composition for GOR 128 was within error

157 of the preferred value reported by Jochum et al. (2006). Olivine analyses were only accepted if  
158 their totals fell in the range 98.5-101.5 and yielded  $3.000 \pm 0.015$  cations per formula unit.

159 Mössbauer spectra were recorded at room temperature (293 K) in transmission mode on a  
160 constant acceleration Mössbauer spectrometer with a nominal 1.85 GBq  $^{57}\text{Co}$  source in a 6-  
161 micron Rh matrix. Glass samples were ground under acetone and packed either in a hole drilled  
162 in a Pb disc or in an acrylic holder. In order to minimize saturation effects, samples were  
163 prepared so that they had an Fe concentration of  $\sim 5 \text{ mg Fe cm}^{-2}$ . A 25 $\mu\text{m}$ -thick Ta foil was  
164 mounted on the sample holder with a correspondingly large hole to improve the signal-to-noise  
165 ratio, since this metal absorbs  $\sim 99\%$  of the 14.4 keV gamma-rays. The velocity scale was  
166 calibrated relative to 25  $\mu\text{m}$   $\alpha\text{-Fe}$  foil. Mirror-image spectra were collected over 512 channels  
167 with a velocity range of  $\pm 5 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$ . The spectra were fitted using the commercially available  
168 NORMOS software package written by R.A. Brand (distributed by Wissenschaftliche Elektronik  
169 GmbH, Germany).

170 Mössbauer spectra of the glasses examined in this study consist of broad asymmetric  
171 doublets (Fig. 1), similar to the spectra of most silicate glasses (e.g., Cottrell et al., 2009; Virgo  
172 and Mysen, 1985). Two approaches were used in fitting the spectra to assess the sensitivity of  
173  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$  to the fitting model. Method A employed extended Voigt-based line shapes with one-  
174 dimensional Gaussian distributions ( $\sigma_{\text{CS}}$ ) for two  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  doublets and one  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  doublet. For each  
175 doublet, the center shift (CS), the Gaussian distribution width ( $\sigma_{\text{CS}}$ ), and quadrupole splitting  
176 (QS) were allowed to vary. A two-dimensional fit including a Gaussian distribution in the  
177 quadrupole splitting was attempted, but proved to be unstable and did not converge. For all  
178 doublets, the Lorentzian linewidth was constrained to  $0.19 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$ . Method B simulated the  
179 approach of Berry et al. (2018), where fitting involved essentially a linear combination of a fixed



180 component for  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  and another for  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ . Here, we considered the spectra from run 30 to  
181 represent an endmember with only  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  present since it was run at a  $\log f\text{O}_2$  of  $-10.0$  (QFM  
182  $-4.2$ ). For this sample, we found that three doublets with extended Voigt-based line shapes with  
183 one-dimensional Gaussian distributions ( $\sigma_{\text{CS}}$ ) were necessary to achieve a good fit (Berry et al.  
184 (2018) required only two  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  doublets for their glass compositions). The  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  component of  
185 spectra from samples run at higher  $f\text{O}_2$  comprised these three doublets where the hyperfine  
186 parameters and the relative peak areas (1:0.39:0.088) were fixed, as defined by the fit to the  
187 spectrum from experiment 30. Then the  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  component was accounted for by an additional  
188 doublet that also had an extended Voigt-based line shape with a one-dimensional Gaussian  
189 distribution ( $\sigma_{\text{CS}}$ ). The  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  doublets also had their Lorentzian linewidth fixed at  $0.19 \text{ mm s}^{-1}$ .  
190 Results for the two fitting methods are summarized in Table 2 and the hyperfine parameters are  
191 given in Table 3. Figure 1 shows the two methods applied to three representative spectra. In all  
192 cases, we estimate the error on  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\sum\text{Fe}$  to be 0.03. This error was assessed by comparing  
193 resulting ratios obtained using slightly different starting parameters and by comparing ratios  
194 obtained from samples with high  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  contents that were fit using either one or two doublets for  
195 the ferric component (usually around  $\pm 0.02$ ). Our total uncertainty was increased slightly to  
196 account for any errors arising from non-zero sample thickness and other geometric effects.

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## RESULTS

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The average measured compositions of the phases produced in our experiments are reported in Table 1, average glass compositions for individual experiments are reported in the electronic supplement. Mass-balance calculations (Table 2) suggest that our approach for avoiding Fe-loss to the sample holder (in this case a wire loop), which could result in local

203 perturbations to the ferric-ferrous ratios, was successful; most experiments (10 of 13) showing an  
204 absolute change in the total concentration of Fe of less than two percent relative. Run 30  
205 exhibited the greatest change in iron concentration, with mass-balance calculations showing that  
206 it lost 5.7 percent of its Fe. In contrast, despite our pre-saturation experiments, significant  
207 amounts of Ni were lost from our silicate melt to both Pt and Re wires. For experiments  
208 conducted at ~1450°C and similar run times, Ni losses increase with decreasing  $fO_2$  for both  
209 container materials (Table 2); for our experiments, they are greater for Re than Pt but it should be  
210 kept in mind that Re loops were used under more reducing conditions. Given the correlation of  
211 Ni losses with  $fO_2$  and the fact that impurity diffusion of Ni in Re is slower than is Ni in Pt  
212 (Boettinger et al., 2017; Eastman and Zhao, 2019) it seems likely that observed losses of Ni to  
213 sample containers are related to increasing Fe contents in the container alloys with decreasing  
214  $fO_2$ .

215         Although the bulk compositions are nominally alkali-free, it is well-known that one-  
216 atmosphere experimental charges can acquire alkalis from contaminated furnace tubes (e.g.,  
217 Matzen et al., 2011). Our experimental glasses were analyzed for alkalis and, when above the  
218 detection limit, are reported in Table 2. Alkali gains were modest; the maximum amount of Na<sub>2</sub>O  
219 gained by a melt was 0.09 wt. % (Run 2-3).

220         In a first series of experiments, temperature was held approximately constant (~1450°C)  
221 and the  $\log$  of the oxygen fugacity varied between -10.0 (QFM -4.2) and -0.68 (QFM +5.1);  
222 glasses show an increase in  $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$  with increasing  $fO_2$ . For example, using “Method A” to fit  
223 Mössbauer spectra of the run product glasses (the same pattern is seen using Method B), the two  
224 experiments run at a  $\log fO_2 \sim -10$  (runs 30 and 57) have  $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$  of  $0.06-0.07 \pm 0.03$ , whereas  
225 the experiment run in air ( $\log fO_2$  of -0.68) has a much higher  $Fe^{3+}/\Sigma Fe$  ratio,  $0.69 \pm 0.03$ . For

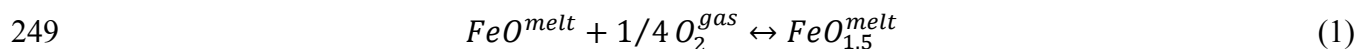
226 experiments held near the QFM buffer (as defined by O'Neill, 1987), there is no significant  
227 change in  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$  with increasing temperature from 1300 to 1450°C, consistent with the results  
228 of O'Neill et al (2018). Runs 11, 13, 15, and 61 (1300 and 1450°C), for example, all have  $f\text{O}_2\text{s}$   
229 that are within 0.1  $\log f\text{O}_2$  units of the QFM buffer and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{total}}$  of 0.19 (using Method A).  
230 Experiment 31 (1500°C), was run at a slightly higher  $\log f\text{O}_2$ , QFM + 0.5, and has a slightly  
231 higher  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{\text{total}}$  value of 0.22.

232 Our 1300°C experiment on Syn-MB2 contained 12% (by wt.) olivine and 88% glass. The  
233 olivine (Table 1) contains 41 wt. % MgO and 18 wt. % FeO, and the glass contains 13 wt. %  
234 MgO and 18 wt. % FeO\* (FeO\* = all Fe as FeO). It is crucial to note the similarity of the liquid  
235 produced in the experiment that used the Syn-MB2 starting material compared to those produced  
236 using the Syn-MB1 starting composition (see Table 1). Despite the addition of ~20 wt. % olivine  
237 to Syn-MB1 to construct Syn-MB2, the two liquids differ only by ~1.3 wt. % MgO, which  
238 suggests that our original starting composition was close to olivine saturation. Furthermore, we  
239 also note that the predicted difference in  $\left( \frac{X_{\text{FeO}1.5}^{\text{melt}}}{X_{\text{FeO}}^{\text{melt}}} \right)$  between Syn-MB1 and the glass of  
240 experiment 2-3, when calculated according to Jayasuriya et al. (2004; eqn. 12), is only 0.001.  
241 The similarity of these two liquids allows us to use Mössbauer measurements on olivine-free  
242 glasses to determine the valence of Fe in the olivine-bearing run product, and thus calculate an  
243 accurate  $K_{D,\text{Fe}^{2+}-\text{Mg}}$ . Using Method A to interpret the Mössbauer spectra leads to a  $K_{D,\text{Fe}^{2+}-\text{Mg}}$   
244 of  $0.388 \pm 0.006$ , whereas using Method B leads to a  $K_{D,\text{Fe}^{2+}-\text{Mg}}$  of  $0.345 \pm 0.005$ .

## 245 DISCUSSION

### 246 Variation of ferric-ferrous ratio with oxygen fugacity

247 An analysis of Fe-valence in magmatic liquids (e.g., Borisov et al., 2015; Fudali, 1965;  
248 Sack et al., 1980) generally begins with a statement such as



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251 that connects the valence of iron with oxygen. At equilibrium, and at constant temperature and  
252 pressure, if the activity coefficients of FeO and FeO<sub>1.5</sub> are constant (or if their ratio is a constant),

253 we would expect that a plot of  $\log \left( \frac{X_{FeO_{1.5}}^{melt}}{X_{FeO}^{melt}} \right)$  versus  $\log(fO_2)$  would yield a straight line

254 with a slope of 0.25. Fudali (1965), however, found that the  $fO_2$  dependence for magmatic  
255 liquids was significantly different from 0.25, with values exhibiting a “tendency to cluster”  
256 around 0.20. Sack et al. (1980) and Kress and Carmichael (1988) determined Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>2+</sup> using the  
257 same wet-chemical approach and found values of between 0.18 and 0.2, depending on the melt  
258 composition. More recently, Borisov et al., (2018) performed additional 1-atmosphere  
259 experiments, and made wet-chemical measurements of their own; their data, combined with  
260 previous wet-chemical measurements gives a slope of  $0.207 \pm 0.002$ . Subsequent studies, in  
261 which the ferric-ferrous ratios of experimentally-produced glasses were measured by Mössbauer  
262 spectroscopy, have also yielded slopes less than 0.25. For example, combining the Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>2+</sup>  
263 data for two basalts presented by Cottrell et al. (2009) and plotting against the  $\log fO_2$  gives a  
264 slope of  $0.19 \pm 0.01$  (see Fig 2a). In an effort to determine the cause of the deviations in slope  
265 from the theoretical value of 0.25, Jayasuriya et al. (2004) performed a series of experiments on  
266 an anorthite-diopside eutectic composition to which they added only one wt. % FeO (an average  
267 terrestrial MORB has ~ 10 wt. %). They hypothesized that, if the deviation from a value of 0.25  
268 were due to Fe<sup>2+</sup>-Fe<sup>3+</sup> interactions, then reducing the total iron content would result in an  $fO_2$

269 term closer to 0.25. In this case, using Mössbauer spectroscopy to measure Fe oxidation state  
270 they, indeed, found a slope of  $0.245 \pm 0.004$  (see Fig. 2b). The agreement with the theoretical  
271 relationship led them to fit existing ferric-ferrous data with an  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ - $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  interaction term and a  
272 slope fixed at the theoretical value. We should also note that Righter et al. (2013) performed a  
273 similar series of experiments on a synthetic Martian basalt, using Mössbauer spectroscopy to  
274 measure the ferric-ferrous ratios of their glasses. Their 1-atm experiments conducted at oxygen  
275 fugacities above QFM -2, at 1250°C, yield a slope of  $0.27 \pm 0.07$  (assuming that there is no  
276 difference in the recoil-free fraction of  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ ). Note that in this study we assumed the  
277 recoil free fraction of ferric and ferrous iron were equal (e.g., Botcharnikov et al., 2005, and  
278 references therein). Recently, Zhang et al. (2018) have proposed a small recoil-free fraction  
279 correction for room-temperature spectra of basaltic glasses of  $1.13 \pm 0.07$ ; applying this  
280 correction to our data does not change the slope of the ferric-ferrous ratio with oxygen fugacity  
281 (Fig. 2a, discussed below) and lowers the resulting  $K_{D,\text{Fe}^{2+}-\text{Mg}}$  by only 0.008, a small amount  
282 compared to the uncertainty for this work (MAD for  $K_{D,\text{Fe}^{2+}-\text{Mg}}$  in this work is 0.006). The  
283 principal reason we chose not to correct our data is that Zhang et al. (2018) show that are only  
284 very small differences, and no systematic differences, between Mossbauer spectra collected at  
285 10K and at room-temperature for experimental glasses calibrated below QFM+2.5.

286         Recently, Berry et al., (2018) challenged the apparent agreement between the Mössbauer  
287 spectroscopy and wet-chemical measurements. Berry et al. (2018) performed experiments on an  
288 average MORB composition at a range of oxygen fugacities and measured the ferric-ferrous  
289 ratios of the resulting glasses with Mössbauer spectroscopy. The major difference between their  
290 results and those of previous authors is their interpretation of the Mössbauer spectra; they argue  
291 that the D2 doublet, which in iron-bearing silicate glasses was historically assigned to  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$

292 (Method A e.g., Cottrell et al., 2009; Zhang et al., 2018), should be assigned to  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  (Method B).  
293 The principal effects of such a reassignment are twofold; it decreases the  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}$  at moderate  
294 to low oxygen fugacities, and it changes the rate at which the ferric-ferrous ratio changes with  
295 oxygen fugacity. Berry et al. (2018) report that, for their data, assigning the D2 doublet to  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$   
296 (model 3 from Berry et al. 2018), results in a slope of  $0.26 \pm 0.02$ , within error of the theoretical  
297 value of 0.25, whereas assigning the D2 doublet to  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  results in a slope of  $0.17\text{-}0.19 \pm 0.02$   
298 (depending on the model used to fit the Mössbauer spectra). This presents a conundrum:  
299 reassignment of the D2 peak to  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  results in a slope that is in good agreement with the  
300 theoretical value but it also makes their work inconsistent with a large body of previous  
301 experiments where the ferric-ferrous ratio was determined by wet-chemical analysis. At this  
302 stage, we are unable to discriminate between the two approaches so we have opted to apply both  
303 methods to our spectra and to calculate corresponding Fe-Mg olivine-liquid  $K_{\text{DS}}$ . We should  
304 note, however, that several authors have expressed concerns about the Berry et al. (2018) fitting  
305 routine: Zhang et al. (2018) argued that the hyperfine parameters (quadrupole splitting and  
306 isomer shift) of the D2 feature are more consistent with  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  in octahedral coordination (Dyar et  
307 al., 2006) than  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ , as argued by Berry et al., (2018). Furthermore, Cottrell et al., (2020) point  
308 out that the linear-mixing routine employed by Berry et al., (2018) results in hyperfine  
309 parameters that do not change with ferric-ferrous ratio whereas previous work (e.g., Mysen,  
310 2006, and references therein) often display a systematic variation of hyperfine parameters with  
311 ferric-ferrous ratio. In fact, there is no particular reason to assume that the local electronic  
312 environments around  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  atoms in a glass will be constant as concentrations change  
313 and modify their next-nearest neighbor configurations. All these considerations are consistent  
314 with our approach presented as Method A.

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316 Figure 3 shows the measured ferric-ferrous ratios for our isothermal series. Using Method A to  
317 fit our Mössbauer spectra results in a slope of  $0.188 \pm 0.019$  (uncertainty reflects the 95%  
318 confidence bounds), consistent with the  $fO_2$  dependence found by previous authors (e.g., Cottrell  
319 et al., 2009; Sack et al., 1980). Using Method B to fit our Mössbauer spectra (emulating the  
320 approach of Berry et al., 2018 ), results in a slope of  $0.260 \pm 0.016$ , consistent with the  $0.26 \pm$   
321  $0.02$  reported by Berry et al. (2018). Note that the slopes for the new data presented here, as  
322 with those reported from the literature, are derived from experiments run at  $fO_2$ s above QFM-2,  
323 where  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{2+}$  is unequivocally measurable (experiments excluded from the fits are shown on  
324 Fig. 2 as open symbols). Also shown in Figure 3 are calculated results using some of the newest  
325 and most widely-used models to predict ferric-ferrous ratios of melts. If Method A is used to  
326 interpret our Mössbauer spectra, Jayasuriya et al. (2004), Borisov et al. (2018), and O'Neill et al.  
327 (2006), who updated eqn. 14 from Jayasuriya et al. (2004), are consistent (i.e., within error) with  
328 our ferric-ferrous data, with eqn. 12 of Jayasuriya et al (2004) performing the best. In the  
329 absence of more extensive experimental data on Mars-relevant liquid compositions, we suggest  
330 that these formulations are reasonable candidates for exploring the influence of bulk composition  
331 on  $Fe^{3+}/Fe^{2+}$  in Martian igneous systems. Other proposed equations are less consistent with our  
332 data. Kress and Carmichael's (1991) equation underestimates our observed ferric-ferrous ratios  
333 at all oxygen fugacities by  $\sim 0.3$  *log* units. The equation of Righter et al. (2013), although  
334 formulated specifically for high-Fe melts like our synthetic Martian composition, consistently  
335 underestimates the ferric-ferrous ratio by approximately one *log* unit. A possible source of this  
336 disagreement is the magnitude of the Righter et al. (2013) temperature term: Most expressions of  
337  $\ln(Fe^{3+}/Fe^{2+})$  have temperature coefficients ( $10^4/T$ , K) close to or slightly above one (e.g.,

338 Jayasuriya et al., 2004; Kress and Carmichael, 1991; Sack et al., 1980 have temperature  
339 coefficients of 1.24, 1.15 and 1.31, respectively; see the supplement of Matzen et al. 2011),  
340 compared to 0.38 for the expression from Righter et al. (2013) at one atmosphere.  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}$   
341 ratios based on Mössbauer Method B are close to those of O'Neill et al. (2018), who used similar  
342 spectral assignments and, as expected, are lower than those predicted by equations derived using  
343 traditional interpretation of Mössbauer data (Method A) and also those based on wet-chemical  
344 measurements (Fig 3).

#### 345 **Variation of ferric-ferrous ratio with temperature**

346 Most of our experiments were conducted on Syn-MB1 at  $\sim 1450^\circ\text{C}$ . To investigate the effect of  
347 temperature on the ferric-ferrous ratio, we also did additional experiments at 1300 and 1500  $^\circ\text{C}$  at  
348 oxygen fugacities near the QFM buffer [ $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}$  of the 1500 $^\circ\text{C}$  experiment at QFM+0.5 was  
349 corrected back to the value at QFM using the slope derived from the  $\sim 1450^\circ\text{C}$  experiments (Fig  
350 3)]. Both methods of interpreting the Mössbauer spectra lead to  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$  that are independent  
351 of temperature when oxygen fugacity is held constant (all values at QFM in the range of 0.184-  
352 0.194 for Method A and 0.081-0.097 for Method B). Most  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{2+}$  equations from the  
353 literature correctly predict that, in the temperature range of our experiments, there is little change  
354 in the ferric-ferrous ratio at constant oxygen fugacity relative to the QFM buffer (O'Neill et al.,  
355 2018). Thus, one can use the ferric-ferrous ratios of natural glasses to infer the redox conditions  
356 at which they cooled, without a precise knowledge of the eruptive temperature, as long as the  
357 oxygen fugacity is expressed relative to the QFM buffer (e.g., Cottrell and Kelley, 2011; O'Neill  
358 et al., 2018).

#### 359 **Iron-Magnesium Exchange coefficients for Martian Basalts**



360 Despite the widespread use of the “canonical”  $K_{D,Fe^{2+}-Mg}$  of Roeder and Emslie (1970),  
361 who determined a value of 0.30, it has long been known that liquid composition can exert a  
362 significant effect on the iron-magnesium exchange coefficient (e.g., Ford et al., 1983; Gee and  
363 Sack, 1988). The main goal of our work is to measure both the ferric-ferrous ratio and the Fe-Mg  
364 partitioning between olivine and a silicate melt whose composition is modeled after a primitive  
365 Martian basalt. Combining the results of our super-liquidus experiments (which we used to  
366 measure ferric-ferrous ratios) with the results of our 1300°C experiment on Syn-MB2, which  
367 contained 12% (by wt.) olivine allows us to calculate a  $K_{D,Fe^{2+}-Mg}$  of  $0.388 \pm 0.006$  using  
368 Method A to interpret our Mössbauer spectra or  $0.345 \pm 0.005$  using Method B.

369 We chose to omit Na and K from our starting composition because the loss of alkalis  
370 depends both on the duration (e.g., Corrigan and Gibb, 1979; Tsuchiyama et al., 1981) and the  
371 oxygen fugacity (e.g., Sossi et al., 2019) of the experiment, thereby making it easier for us to  
372 perform high-quality experiments. However, it is well known that alkalis can affect the  $Fe^{2+}$ -Mg  
373 exchange between olivine and liquid (e.g., Gee and Sack, 1988). Thus, a logical question is how  
374 applicable are the results of our work given that MB1 omits 3.12 wt. %  $Na_2O$  and 0.43 wt.%  
375  $K_2O$  that are observed in the target primitive Martian melt (Table 1). Looking, primarily, at  
376 terrestrially-inspired bulk compositions, Matzen et al. (2011) found that there appeared to be  
377 little change in the  $K_{D,Fe^{2+}-Mg}$  for total alkalis ( $Na_2O + K_2O$ ) below 5 wt. % (see their Fig. 6).  
378 Using their data, we estimate (by fitting a line to those experiments that have  $\leq 5$  wt. %  $Na_2O +$   
379  $K_2O$ ) that by omitting  $Na_2O$  and  $K_2O$  from our starting composition we have increased the  
380  $K_{D,Fe^{2+}-Mg}$  by  $\sim 0.008$ . Given the small size of this effect (relative to analytical uncertainties;  
381 MAD for  $K_{D,Fe^{2+}-Mg}$  in this work is 0.006), and the observation that olivine-phyric shergottites  
382 (discussed below) tend to have much lower total alkalis (LAR 06319 has the highest with 1.3 wt.

383 % Na<sub>2</sub>O + K<sub>2</sub>O), we are confident that the results of our work can be applied to Martian systems  
384 with low (<4 wt. %) total alkalis.

385         Since our ferric/ferrous determinations using Method A and B should be consistent with  
386 the model of O'Neill et al. (2006) and O'Neill et al. (2018), respectively, we can use these  
387 expressions to estimate ferric-ferrous ratios in previously published olivine-saturated  
388 experiments on Martian-inspired bulk compositions. The median  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  of 17 one-  
389 atmosphere experiments on Martian bulk compositions (Filiberto et al., 2008; Herd et al., 2009)  
390 whose analytical totals (post Fe<sup>+3</sup>/Fe<sup>+2</sup> correction for glasses) are between 98 and 102 wt. % is  
391  $0.354 \pm 0.008$  and  $0.336 \pm 0.009$  (error is one mean absolute deviation, MAD), using O'Neill et  
392 al. (2006) and (2018), respectively (Figure 5). Note that the median  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  of one-  
393 atmosphere experiments calculated using O'Neill et al. (2006),  $0.354 \pm 0.008$ , is significantly  
394 lower than the equivalent value ( $0.388 \pm 0.006$ , Mössbauer Method A) reported for this work.

395         Many experiments on Martian bulk compositions were conducted at high pressures (0.4-5  
396 GPa) in an attempt to mimic the conditions of melting and crystallization in the Martian mantle  
397 (e.g., Filiberto et al., 2010b; Gross et al., 2011; Usui et al., 2008). Following Médard et al.  
398 (2008), Filiberto and Dasgupta (2011) noted that redox conditions in piston cylinder experiments  
399 conducted using graphite capsules, which includes all of the high-pressure experiments being  
400 considered here, are approximately 0.8 *log f*O<sub>2</sub> units more reducing than the graphite C-O buffer.  
401 We excluded experiments performed at or below 1150°C because the results of experiments  
402 from Nekvasil et al. (2009), McCubbin et al. (2008), and Filiberto (2008) all suggest a sharp  
403 increase in  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  with decreasing temperature, from roughly 0.35 to 0.40 between ~1150  
404 and 1000°C. A dramatic increase in  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  would be surprising given numerous studies

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405 concluding that  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  is insensitive to changes in temperature (e.g., Matzen et al., 2011;  
406 Roeder and Emslie, 1970). It is important to note that low-temperature experiments are  
407 inherently difficult due to slow kinetics and the presence of multiple ( $\geq 4$ ) phases. Further  
408 experimentation will be needed to assess whether the apparent increase in  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  at low  
409 temperatures is a property inherent to these experiments, or simply an experimental artifact  
410 reflecting a lack of equilibrium. We avoid these issues by considering only experiments run at or  
411 above 1150°C and restricting applications to temperatures at or above 1150°C. If we consider  
412 only the 66 high-pressure experiments run on Martian compositions at temperatures at or above  
413 1150°C (Agee and Draper, 2004; Bertka and Holloway, 1994a; Blinova and Herd, 2009; Dann et  
414 al., 2001; Filiberto, 2008; Filiberto et al., 2010a; Filiberto et al., 2009; Filiberto et al., 2010b;  
415 Filiberto and Treiman, 2009; Filiberto et al., 2008; McCubbin et al., 2008; Monders et al., 2007;  
416 Musselwhite et al., 2006; Nekvasil et al., 2009) with oxide sums, after correcting for  $Fe^{+3}/Fe^{+2}$ ,  
417 between 98-102 wt. %, the resulting median  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  is  $0.365 \pm 0.016$  and  $0.359 \pm 0.016$   
418 (where uncertainty is one MAD) using the O'Neill et al. (2006) and (2018) expressions,  
419 respectively. These values are in good agreement with the  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$ s obtained from one-  
420 atmosphere experiments on Martian bulk compositions ( $0.354 \pm 0.008$  and  $0.336 \pm 0.009$ ,  
421 respectively), and the results of our work ( $0.388 \pm 0.006$  and  $0.345 \pm 0.005$ , respectively, see Fig  
422 5). Almost all results for  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$ , using either  $Fe^{+3}/Fe^{+2}$  model, are significantly greater than  
423 the canonical value of 0.30.

#### 424 **Olivine-phyric shergottites**

425 Olivine-phyric shergottites are a subclass of shergottites thought to have originated in the  
426 interior of Mars and representing primary liquids or liquids modified through fractionation or

427 accumulation of olivine and other phases. Identification of primary liquids is important because  
428 it provides a means of estimating the compositions of the source regions of Martian magmas. A  
429 basic test for primary liquids is to suppose that the most forsteritic olivine observed in a  
430 shergottite corresponds to the first crystallizing olivine and that this olivine was in equilibrium  
431 with a liquid whose bulk composition matches that of the meteorite. If this supposition is  
432 correct, the apparent  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  computed from the bulk meteorite and olivine compositions  
433 should match the experimental value. We note that this supplies a necessary (olivine of observed  
434 composition is on the liquidus) but insufficient (the liquid must have suffered no  
435 fractionation/accumulation) test for a primary liquid.

436 In Figure 6, we compare Mg#s (where  $Mg\# = Mg/[Fe^{+2}+Mg]$ , atomic) of bulk olivine-  
437 phyric shergottites to the most Mg-rich olivine phenocrysts. To calculate the Mg# of the bulk,  
438 we determined  $Fe^{+3}/Fe^{+2}$ , using the models of O'Neill et al. (2006), panel a, and O'Neill et al.  
439 (2018), panel b, and reported bulk compositions (Anand et al., 2008; Barrat et al., 2002; Bunch et  
440 al., 2009; Dreibus et al., 2000; Filiberto et al., 2012; Filiberto et al., 2018; Funk, 2016; Herd et  
441 al., 2013; Irving et al., 2010; Irving et al., 2013; Kuehner et al., 2011; Mellin et al., 2008;  
442 Sarbadhikari et al., 2009; Shirai and Ebihara, 2004; Shirai et al., 2009; Taylor et al., 2002; Zipfel  
443 et al., 2000). We used maximum temperatures and oxygen fugacity estimates from the literature  
444 (Funk, 2016; Gross et al., 2013; Gross et al., 2011; Herd, 2003; McCanta et al., 2009; Peslier et  
445 al., 2010; Shearer et al., 2006), where available. If temperature and  $fO_2$  estimates were both  
446 unavailable, we calculated the temperature using Beattie (1993) and assumed that the  $fO_2$  ranged  
447 from 1 to 3.5  $\log_{10}$  units below the QFM buffer (Herd, 2003). Olivine compositions were taken  
448 from the literature (aforementioned bulk meteorite references and; Goodrich, 2002; Goodrich  
449 and Zipfel, 2001; Gross et al., 2013; Gross et al., 2010; Hsu et al., 2012; Irving et al., 2007;

450 Lapen et al., 2017; Mikouchi et al., 2008; Mikouchi et al., 2001; Papike et al., 2009; Peslier et  
451 al., 2010; Taylor et al., 2002; Usui et al., 2008); the results are shown in Fig. 6. Of the 18  
452 olivine-phyric shergottites tested, five (Yamato 980459, NWA 2990, NWA 5789, Tissint, and  
453 EET 79001A) yield apparent  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  values consistent with the experimentally-determined  
454 values, leading to the possibility that these are primary liquid compositions. Meteorite NWA  
455 7635 merits further research; as mentioned above, low-temperature (<1150°C) experiments on  
456 Martian bulk compositions show an increasing  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$ . NWA 7635 is evolved, as the bulk  
457 only has 4.11 wt. % MgO, giving estimates of the onset of olivine crystallization that are close to  
458 this temperature (1193°C using Beattie 1993 and 1127°C using the MgO-based thermometer of  
459 Matzen et al. 2011). Thus, further experiments are needed to determine if the apparent  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$   
460 of ~0.43 for this meteorite represents an equilibrium value. The other 12 shergottites lie so far off  
461 the predicted curve indicating that the bulk meteorites are not plausible liquids. These  
462 conclusions are similar to the those of Gross et al. (2011) and Filiberto and Dasgupta (2011).

463 Our work has identified five meteorites whose bulk compositions, according to Fe-Mg  
464 partitioning between olivine and liquid, represent possible liquid compositions. The next logical  
465 step is to see if these five meteorites share common attributes, or are different from the  
466 meteorites whose bulk compositions, according to our calculations, are not potential liquids.  
467 Unfortunately, there does not seem to be a reliable characteristic that separates those meteorites  
468 that fall near the equilibrium Fe-Mg partitioning line from those that do not. In fact, the five  
469 meteorites that fall near the equilibrium line have different rare-Earth element (REE) patterns  
470 (NWA 2990 is light-REE enriched while the rest are depleted), olivine sizes (up to 3 mm for  
471 NWA 5789 and 0.3 mm for NWA 2990), and apparent amounts of zoning in the olivines (with  
472 the caveat that zoning is often described more qualitatively). We also examined the major-

473 element concentration in the bulk of the five meteorites that we identify as potential liquids and  
474 compared them to those that fall away from the equilibrium line in Figure 6. Again, we find that  
475 the five potential liquids are indistinct from those that are not. For example, the median  
476 CaO/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> ratio of the potential liquids (1.26, with a minimum of 1.23 and a maximum of 1.34)  
477 is similar to those that are not (1.28 with a minimum of 0.86 and a maximum of 3.35).

478 An interesting feature of Figure 6 is that all of the meteorites that are not likely to be  
479 primary liquids lie above and to the left of the equilibrium  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg} \approx 0.36$  line. There are a few  
480 possible explanations for this phenomenon: (1) the bulk may have accumulated olivine, or other  
481 Mg-rich phases (e.g., Filiberto and Dasgupta, 2011), (2) the olivine phenocrysts may have  
482 diffusively re-equilibrated with their more Fe-rich rims, or (3) we have, simply, not found the  
483 most Mg-rich phenocryst. We believe that finding the most-Mg rich olivine phenocryst may be  
484 problematic due to the fact that olivine phenocrysts are often zoned (e.g., Peslier et al., 2010) but  
485 accumulation of Mg-rich phases is a commonly-observed phenomenon and is likely to be largely  
486 responsible for the disequilibrium  $K_{D,Fe^{+2}-Mg}$  values.

## 487 IMPLICATIONS

488 We find that the oxygen-fugacity dependence of Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>2+</sup> in a model Martian basalt is  
489 consistent, on a *log-log* plot with the theoretical slope of 0.25, if we follow the Berry et al.  
490 (2018) approach to fitting the Mössbauer spectra and assign the D2 doublet to Fe<sup>2+</sup> rather than  
491 Fe<sup>3+</sup> (Method B). If, however, we follow convention and assign this to Fe<sup>3+</sup> (Method A) then  
492 Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>2+</sup> values are significantly higher and the slope is  $0.188 \pm 0.019$  consistent with both  
493 earlier results using the same approach to interpreting the Mössbauer spectra and with wet-  
494 chemical measurements of ferric-ferrous ratios in quenched melts.

495 For oxygen fugacities at the QFM buffer, there is no detectable change of oxidation state  
496 for our experiments in the temperature range 1300-1500°C at 1 atmosphere pressure.  $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\Sigma\text{Fe}$   
497 ratios of the Martian basalt at QFM average 0.19 if we apply Method A and 0.09 if we use  
498 Method B.

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500 We determined the olivine-melt  $K_{\text{D,Fe}^{+2}\text{-Mg}}$  for the synthetic Martian basalt with values of 0.388  
501 (ferric/ferrous Method A) and 0.345 (Method B). Combining our results with data from the  
502 literature we tested whether any of the olivine-phyric shergottites are conceivably primary  
503 liquids. We find that five such meteorites (Yamato 980459, NWA 2990, NWA 5789, Tissint, and  
504 EETA 79001A) have apparent  $K_{\text{D,Fe}^{+2}\text{-Mg}}$  values of approximately 0.36 and are hence potential  
505 primary liquid compositions.

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## FIGURE CAPTIONS

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517 **FIGURE 1.** Mössbauer spectra of three representative samples; data are shown as black circles.  
518 For each sample, fits to the spectra (magenta) using Method A are shown on the left (panels a, c,  
519 and e), and Method B on the right (panels b, d, and f). Ferrous doublets are shown in aqua and  
520 ferric doublets are orange. Residuals (data less the fit) are shown as a light blue line offset to  
521 1.005.

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523 **FIGURE 2.** *Log* of ferric-ferrous ratio vs. *log fO<sub>2</sub>* relative to the QFM buffer. Panel a shows  
524 1460 and 1360°C data for basalt JDFD2 (black circles) from Kress and Carmichael (1988) along  
525 with the two basalts from Cottrell et al. (2009) as blue triangles; ordinary least squares fits, and  
526 the resulting slopes are shown in black and blue, respectively. Panel b shows data from Berry et  
527 al. (2018) and Jayasuriya et al. (2004) as black diamonds and red squares, respectively; ordinary  
528 least squares fits to solid symbols, and the resulting slopes are shown in black and red,  
529 respectively. Experiments conducted below QFM –2 were excluded from the fit (shown on the  
530 plot as open/unfilled symbols) due to the increasing errors in ferric-ferrous ratio at low *fO<sub>2</sub>*.  
531 Errors represent 95% confidence bounds on the coefficients obtained from the fit. A reference  
532 slope of 0.25 is shown on each panel as a black dashed line.

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534 **FIGURE 3.** Iron redox state from this work (Method A and B) compared to a selection of recent  
535 and widely used predictions from the literature (Borisov et al., 2018; Jayasuriya et al., 2004;  
536 Kress and Carmichael, 1991; O'Neill et al., 2018; O'Neill et al., 2006; Righter et al., 2013)  
537 computed using the composition of our experimental glass. Note that in both panels the Method  
538 B measurements are offset by 0.05 *log* units for clarity.

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540 **FIGURE 4.** *Log* (Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>2+</sup>) in the melt as a function of temperature. Data points from this study  
541 were corrected for small deviations from the QFM buffer using the Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>2+</sup> vs. *fO<sub>2</sub>* slopes for  
542 each Method. Literature sources as in Fig. 3.

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544 **FIGURE 5.**  $D_{\text{Fe}^{+2}=\text{FeO}^{\text{ol}}/\text{FeO}^{\text{liq}}}$  versus  $D_{\text{Mg}=\text{MgO}^{\text{ol}}/\text{MgO}^{\text{liq}}}$  (both by wt.) for one-atm (filled  
545 black circles: this study; open squares: literature) and high-pressure (blue circles) along with  
546 lines of constant  $K_{\text{D, Fe}^{+2}=\text{Mg}}$ . High-pressure experiments were taken from the following sources:  
547 (Agee and Draper, 2004; Bertka and Holloway, 1994a; Bertka and Holloway, 1994b; Blinova  
548 and Herd, 2009; Dann et al., 2001; Filiberto, 2008; Filiberto et al., 2010a; Filiberto et al., 2009;  
549 Filiberto et al., 2010b; Filiberto et al., 2008; McCubbin et al., 2008; Monders et al., 2007;  
550 Musselwhite et al., 2006; Nekvasil et al., 2009). One-atm experiments were taken from Filiberto  
551 et al. (2008) and Herd et al. (2009). Fe<sup>3+</sup> contents of silicate liquids were estimated using O'Neill  
552 et al. (2006) in panel a, and O'Neill et al. (2018) in panel b.

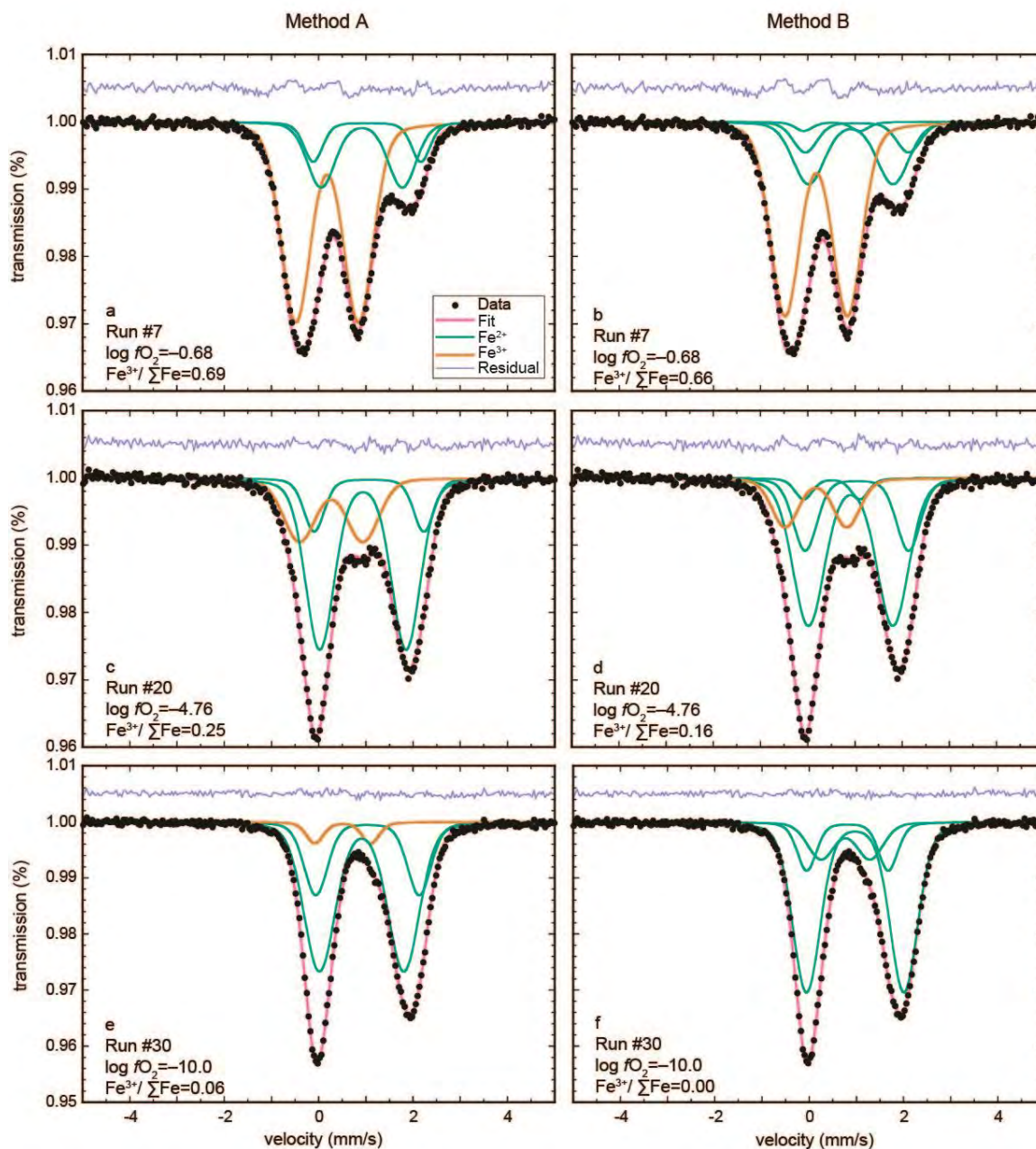
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554 **FIGURE 6.** Mg# of a liquid equal in composition to that of the bulk of the meteorite as a  
555 function of the Mg# of the most Mg-rich observed olivine. Constant  $K_{\text{D, Fe}^{+2}=\text{Mg}}$  contours are also  
556 shown. For each meteorite, we calculate the Mg# of the bulk using the Fe<sup>3+</sup> contents of the  
557 assumed liquid using O'Neill et al. (2006) in panel a, and O'Neill et al. (2018) in panel b. Where  
558 available, we use estimated maximum temperatures and *fO<sub>2</sub>*s. For meteorites where estimated  
559 *fO<sub>2</sub>*s are not available, we show a bar corresponding to QFM<sup>□</sup>-1 to QFM-3. Our results suggest  
560 that bulk compositions of NWA 5789, NWA 2990, EETA 79001A, Tissint, and Y980459  
561 represent possible liquids.



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FIGURE 1.

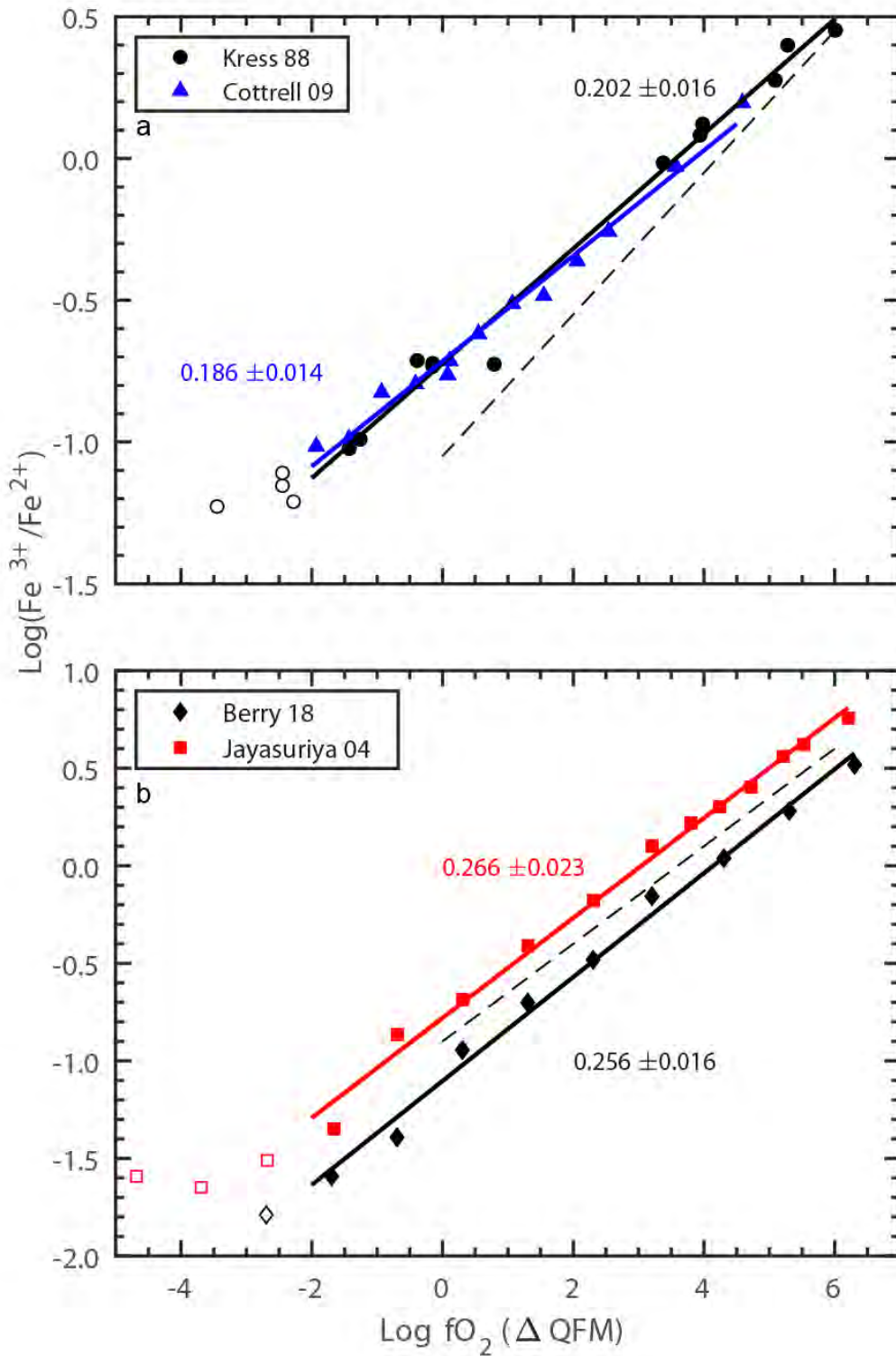


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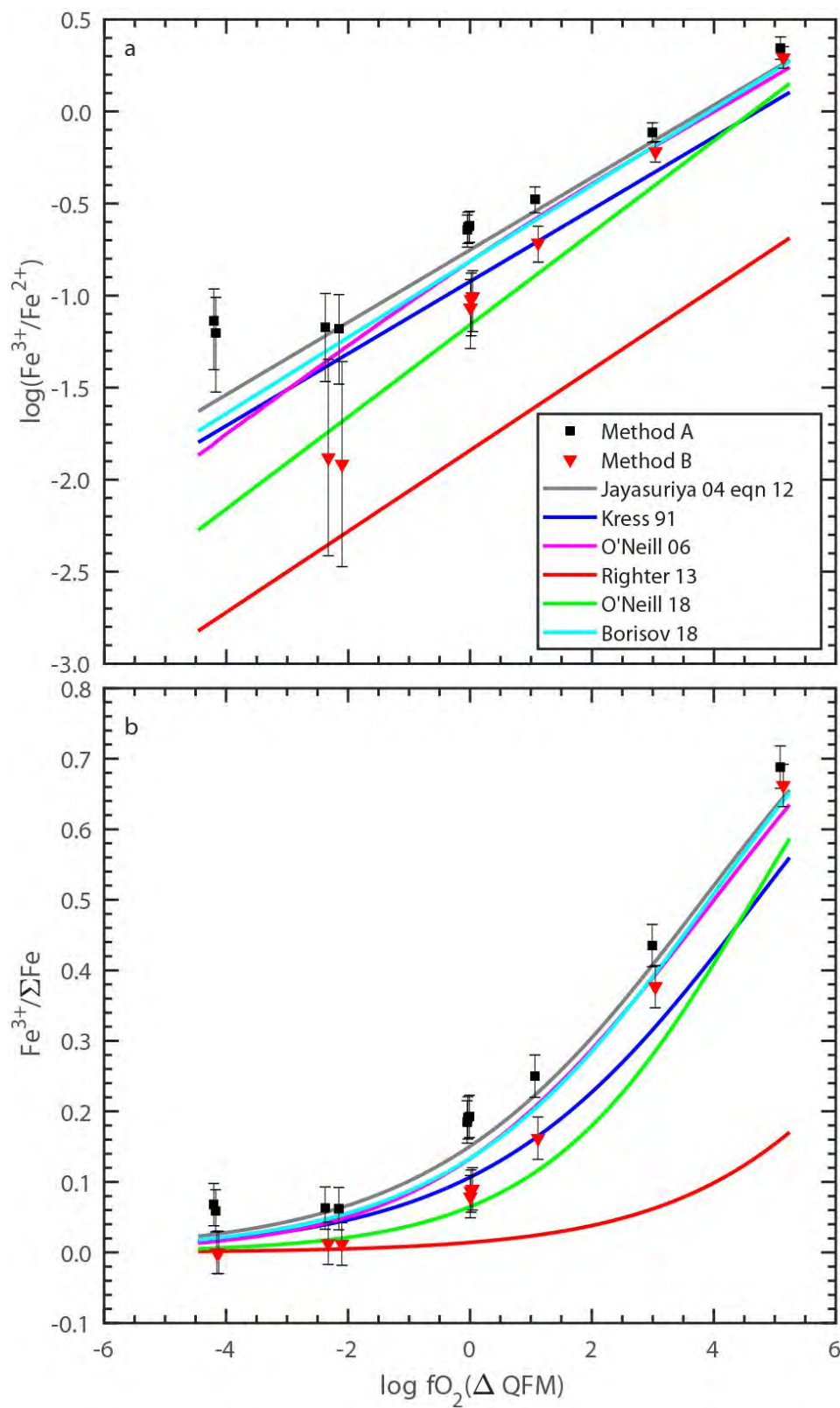
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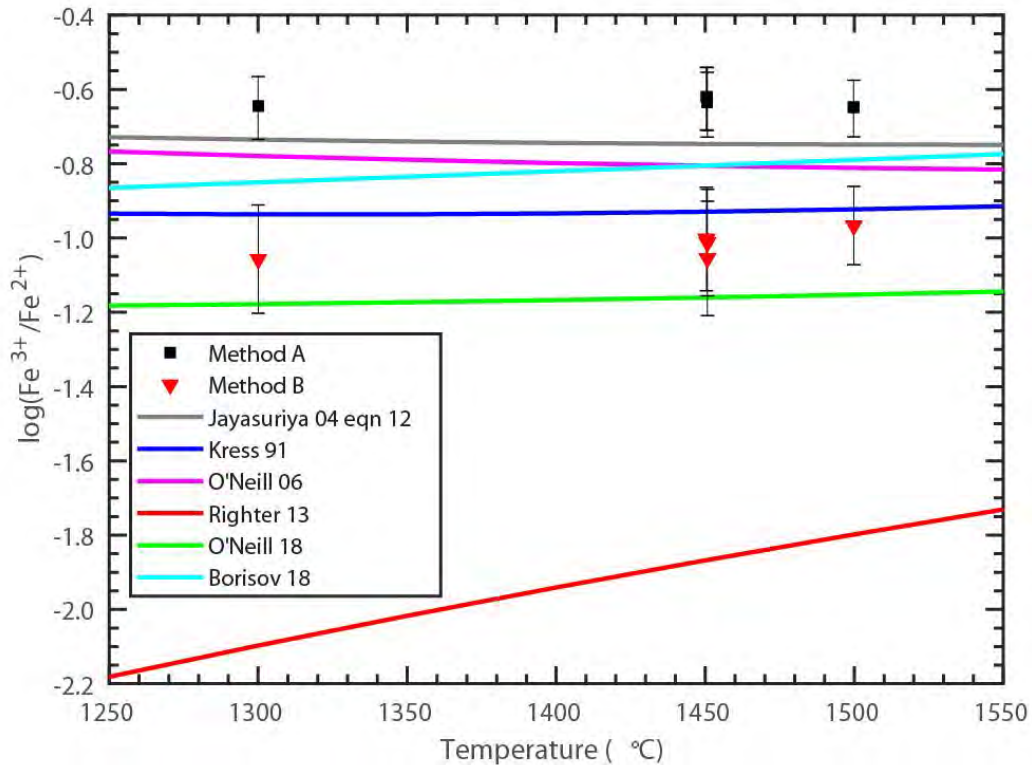
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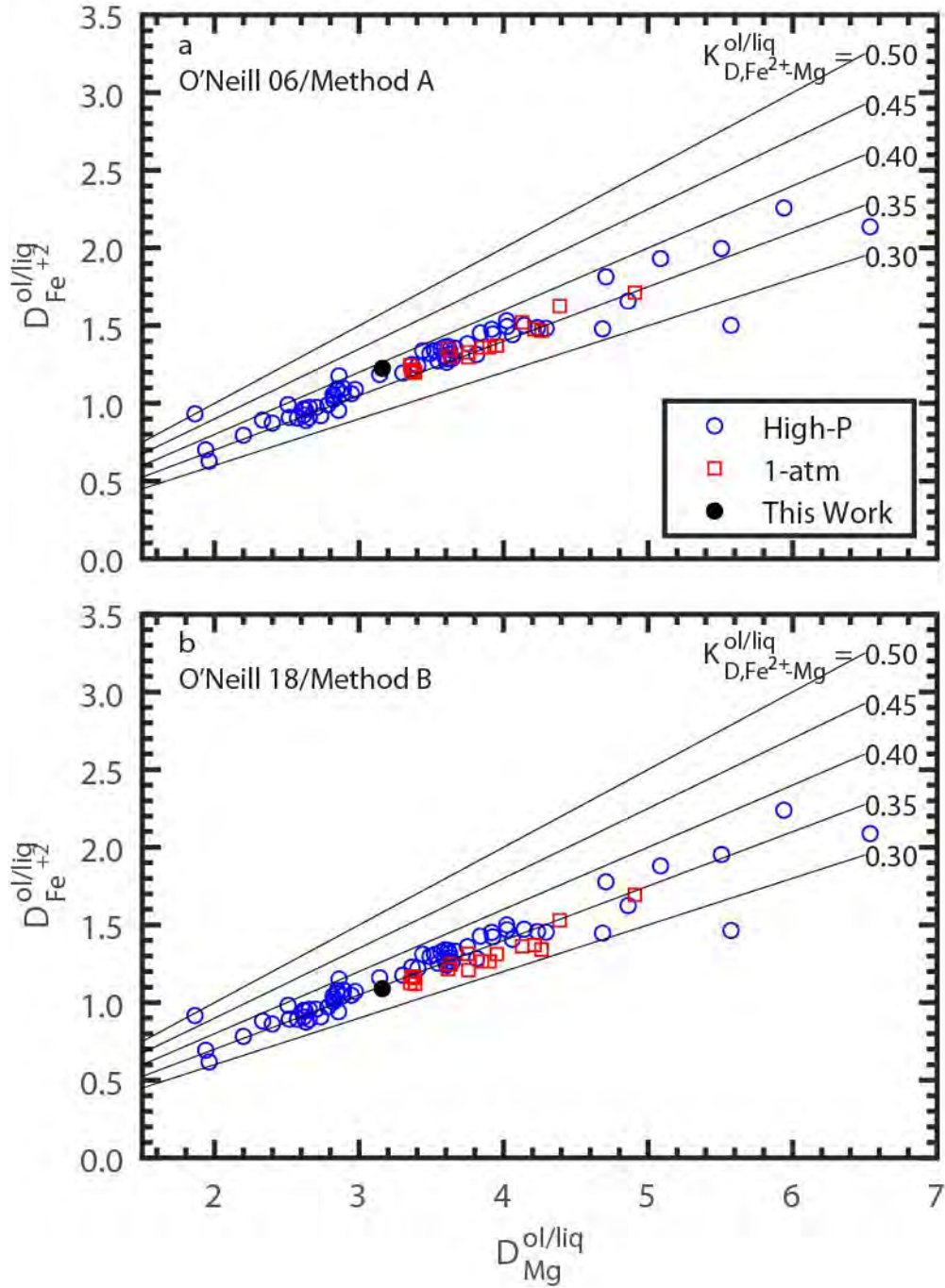
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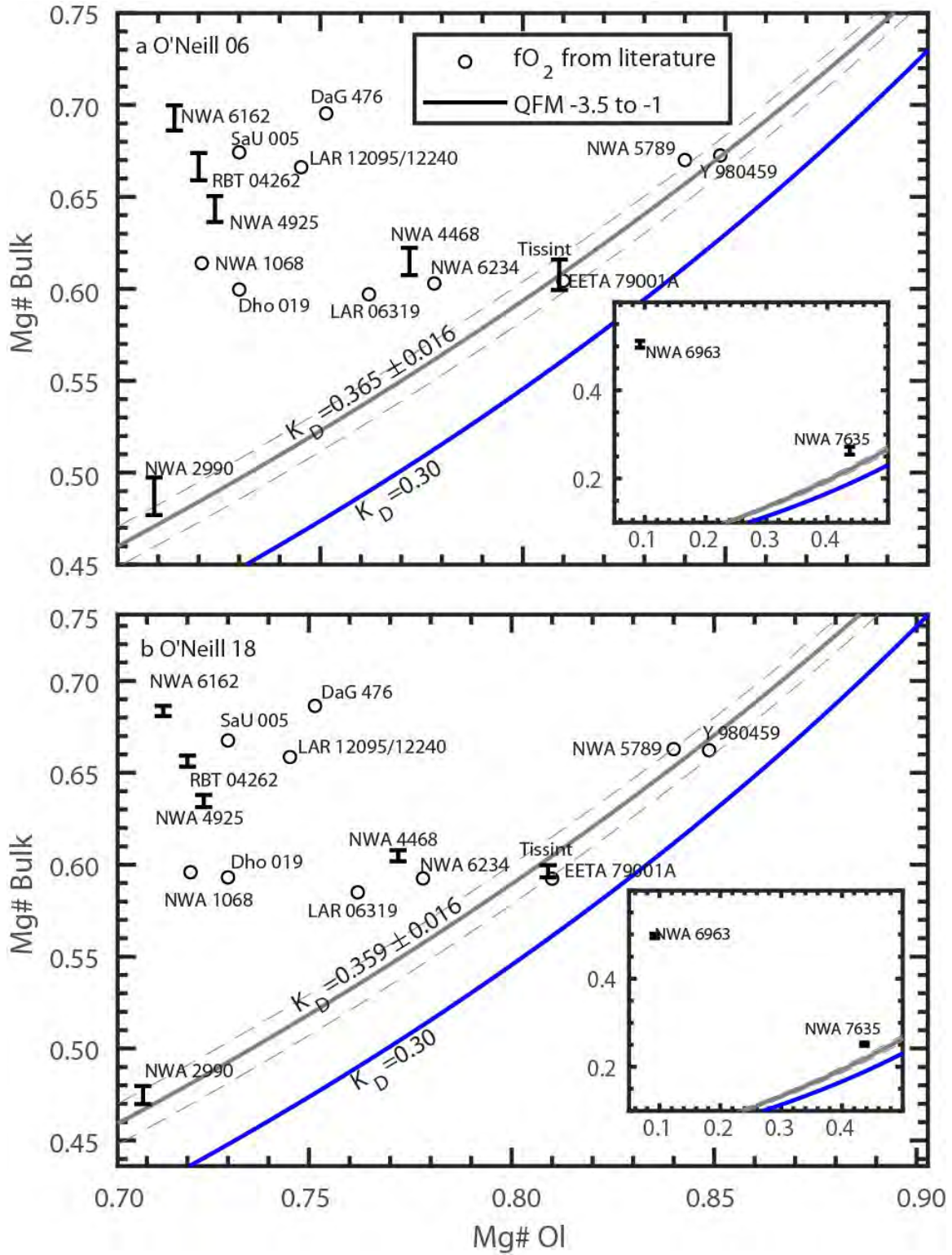
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Table 1. Starting Compositions in wt. %

Sample	n <sup>a</sup>	SiO <sub>2</sub>	TiO <sub>2</sub>	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	FeO* <sup>b</sup>	MnO	MgO	CaO	Na <sub>2</sub> O	K <sub>2</sub> O	NiO	Sum
Prim. Home Plate Avg. <sup>c</sup>		49.42	0.98	9.84	-	17.78	0.35	11.57	6.51	3.12	0.43	-	100
MB1 <sup>d</sup>		51.01	1.01	10.15	0.0	18.36	0.36	11.94	6.72	0.0	0.0	0.45	100
Syn-MB1 <sup>e</sup>		51.01	1.00	10.15	0.0	18.36	0.36	11.94	6.72	0.0	0.0	0.46	100
Syn-MB1 Exp. Avg <sup>f</sup>	107	50.33(28)	1.00(3)	10.09(8)	BDL	18.13(31)	0.37(4)	11.76(9)	6.89(8)	0.06(2) <sup>g</sup>	BDL	0.33(8) <sup>h</sup>	98.96
Syn-MB2 <sup>i</sup>		48.36	0.83	8.36	0.0	18.86	0.301	16.62	5.71	0.0	0.0	0.38	100
Syn-MB2 gl <sup>j</sup>	20	50.13(11)	0.94(3)	9.46(8)	BDL	18.61(18)	0.32(4)	13.03(8)	6.54(8)	0.10(1)	BDL	0.21(3)	99.35
Syn-MB2 ol	15	38.92(14)	BDL	BDL	BDL	18.50(10)	0.25(1)	41.17(16)	0.16(1)	BDL	-	1.53(5)	100.55

<sup>a</sup> Number of analyses used to generate the average.

<sup>b</sup> All Fe as FeO.

<sup>c</sup> Average of Home Plate primitive magma compositions reported in Filiberto and Dasgupta (2011).

<sup>d</sup> Target composition after replacement of K<sub>2</sub>O with an equal amount of NiO and renormalization on an alkali-free basis.

<sup>e</sup> As-weighed composition.

<sup>f</sup> Average of 107 analyses from 12 experiments. Numbers in parenthesis are analytical uncertainties in terms of the least units cited, e.g., entry 50.33(28) for sample “Syn-MB1 Exp. Avg” corresponds to 50.33 ± 0.28 where 0.28 is the standard deviation of the 107 measurements.

<sup>g</sup> The average and standard deviation for Na<sub>2</sub>O includes only those experiments where Na<sub>2</sub>O was above the detection limit: experiments 11, 13, 57, 60, and 61

<sup>h</sup> The average and standard deviation for NiO excludes the two experiments 30 and 57 where NiO was below the detection limit.

<sup>i</sup> Mixture of 83% syn-MB1 experimental average with 17% synthetic Fo<sub>77</sub> olivine. Due to possible Fe, and Ni loss, as well as Na gain, the concentration of these elements were calculated using the theoretical syn-MB1 values.

<sup>j</sup> Composition of coexisting glass and olivine from experiment 2-3 using syn-MB2 starting material run at 1300°C and a log<sub>10</sub>fO<sub>2</sub> of -7.24 for 41.25 hrs.

Abbreviations: BDL = below detection limit; dash indicates that the element in question was not analyzed or reported.

Table 2. Run conditions and experimental results

Run#	Temp (°C)	Time (hrs)	logfO <sub>2</sub> <sup>a</sup>	Loop # & usage <sup>b</sup>	ΔFeO* % <sup>c</sup>	ΔNiO wt. % <sup>d</sup>	ΔNa <sub>2</sub> O wt. % <sup>e</sup>	Fe <sup>3+</sup> /ΣFe Mthd A <sup>f</sup>	Fe <sup>3+</sup> /ΣFe Mthd B <sup>f</sup>
7	1458	15.5	-0.68	Pt1/3	-1.00	-0.01	-	0.69	0.66
11	1451	48.6	-5.88	Pt3/3	-0.95	-0.20	0.07	0.19	0.08
13	1450	23.3	-5.85	Pt3/4	-0.82	-0.14	0.05	0.19	0.09
15	1451	13.5	-5.87	Pt3/5	0.20	-0.09	-	0.19	0.09
20	1451	12.5	-4.76	Pt4/3	-1.17	-0.05	-	0.25	0.16
21	1451	13.4	-2.48	Pt5/3	0.14	-0.05	-	0.44	0.38
27	1450	8.5	-8.0	Re1/2	0.12	-0.17	-	0.06	0.01
30	1449	14.4	-10.0	Re2/2	-5.70	-0.46	-	0.06	0.00
31	1500	10.5	-4.9	Pt6/2	-1.10	-0.07	-	0.22	0.13
57	1451	11.0	-10.03	Re16/2	-3.00	-0.46	0.08	0.07	0.00
60	1452	9.5	-8.20	Re18/2	-0.73	-0.25	0.05	0.06	0.01
61	1300	36.1	-7.20	Pt14/3	-1.40	-0.14	0.06	0.19	0.09
2-3	1300	41.2	-7.24	Pt14/5	-2.06	-0.02	0.09		

<sup>a</sup> Oxygen fugacity measurements are reported to two decimal places; oxygen fugacities from gas mixing ratios are reported to only one, excepting the experiment performed in air.

<sup>b</sup> Loop material and loop designation number followed by the number of experiments that had been run with the loop prior to the present experiment.

<sup>c</sup> Relative change (in percent) of FeO\* in the bulk composition, where FeO\* indicates the wt.% of all Fe in the glass computed as FeO, based on mass balance; negative sign denotes a decrease in FeO\*.

<sup>d</sup> Change in NiO (in wt. %) to the bulk composition based on the NiO content of the glass and mass balance. NiO in runs 30 and 57 was below the detection limit (~0.08 wt. % NiO); hence, a reported value equal to the bulk NiO, 0.46 wt. %.

<sup>e</sup> Change in Na<sub>2</sub>O (in wt. %) based on the Na<sub>2</sub>O content of the glass; a dash indicates that Na was below the detection limit.

<sup>f</sup> Estimated error on Fe<sup>3+</sup>/ΣFe is 0.03, a value that contains both error in the fit and any systematic error.

Note: Mass-balance calculations used the non-linear approach of Albarède & Provost (1977), see Matzen et al. (2011) for more details. Mass-balance calculations for Run 2-3 yield 88% liquid and 12% olivine (by weight).

Table 3. Hyperfine Parameters

Run #	Doublet 1 Fe <sup>2+</sup>			Doublet 2 Fe <sup>2+</sup>			Doublet 3 Fe <sup>3+</sup>			Fe <sup>3+</sup> /ΣFe	χ <sup>2</sup>
	IS	QS	σcs	IS	QS	σcs	IS	QS	σcs		
<i>Method A</i>											
7	1.14	2.28	0.16	1.02	1.72	0.25	0.29	1.33	0.27	0.69	1.70
11	1.18	2.32	0.17	1.05	1.84	0.26	0.46	1.38	0.32	0.19	1.43
13	1.17	2.31	0.18	1.05	1.82	0.26	0.47	1.37	0.30	0.19	1.49
15	1.16	2.33	0.17	1.05	1.8	0.25	0.44	1.4	0.30	0.19	1.22
20	1.18	2.32	0.17	1.05	1.83	0.26	0.38	1.34	0.30	0.25	1.34
21	1.17	2.33	0.16	1.05	1.79	0.26	0.32	1.32	0.27	0.44	1.48
27	1.14	2.16	0.22	1.01	1.78	0.30	0.58	1.11	0.14	0.06	1.29
30	1.15	2.19	0.21	1.02	1.79	0.29	0.62	1.19	0.14	0.06	1.21
31	1.17	2.32	0.17	1.05	1.83	0.26	0.41	1.36	0.29	0.22	1.22
57	1.16	2.23	0.20	1.03	1.82	0.28	0.63	1.18	0.15	0.07	1.13
60	1.15	2.16	0.21	1.01	1.81	0.30	0.59	1.08	0.14	0.06	1.18
61	1.16	2.32	0.17	1.05	1.83	0.26	0.48	1.38	0.31	0.19	1.48
<i>Method B</i>											
7							0.29	1.32	0.27	0.66	1.86
11							0.27	1.33	0.21	0.08	1.41
13							0.31	1.33	0.22	0.09	1.46
15							0.29	1.33	0.24	0.09	1.36
20							0.28	1.31	0.24	0.16	1.42
21							0.29	1.30	0.26	0.38	1.60
27							0.44	1.08	0.02	0.01	1.27
30										0.00	
31							0.28	1.32	0.23	0.13	1.18
57							0.30	1.33	0.06	0.00	1.18
60							0.14	1.63	0.00	0.01	1.11
61							0.29	1.34	0.24	0.08	1.39

Note: Isomer shift (IS), quadrupole splitting (QS) and Gaussian distribution width (σcs) are in mm/s. All spectra acquired at room temperature, and fit with Lorentzian widths set =0.19 mm/s. Method A used two Fe<sup>2+</sup> and one Fe<sup>3+</sup> doublet; Method B—meant to simulate the approach of Berry et al. (2018)—used three Fe<sup>2+</sup> doublets, and one Fe<sup>3+</sup> doublet. The three Fe<sup>2+</sup> doublets used in Method B used hyperfine parameters obtained by fitting the most reduced experiment (Run # 30). IS, QS, and σcs of the three doublets fit to Run #30 are 1.15, 2.19, 0.21; 1.02, 1.79, 0.29; 0.62, 1.19, 0.14, respectively.