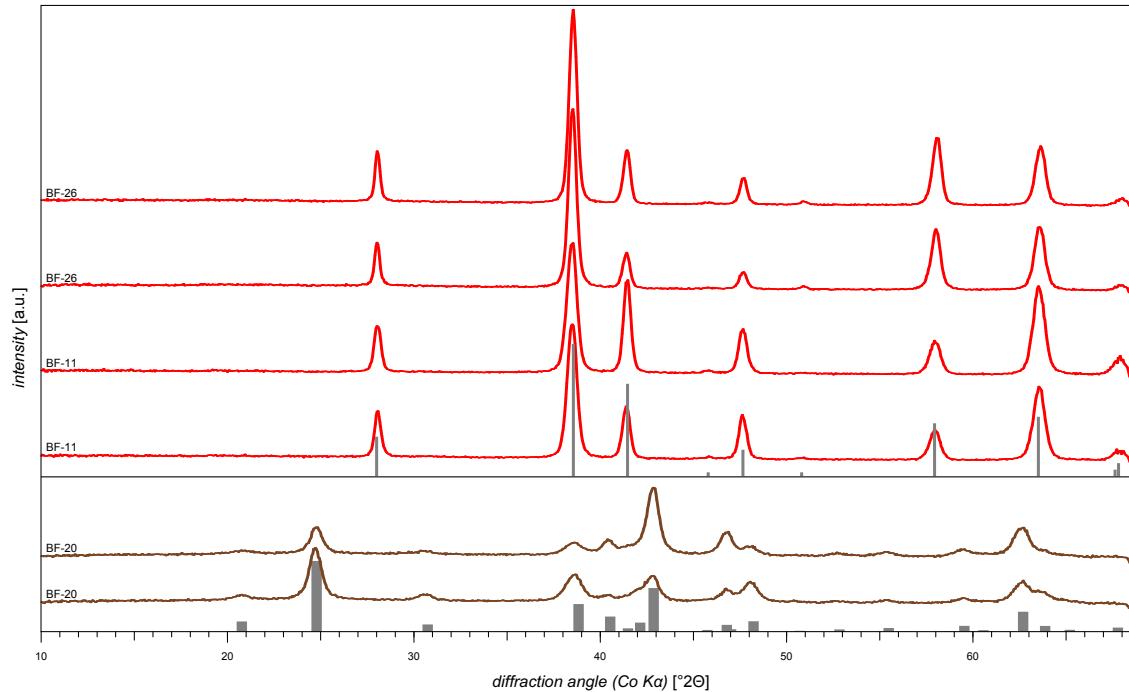


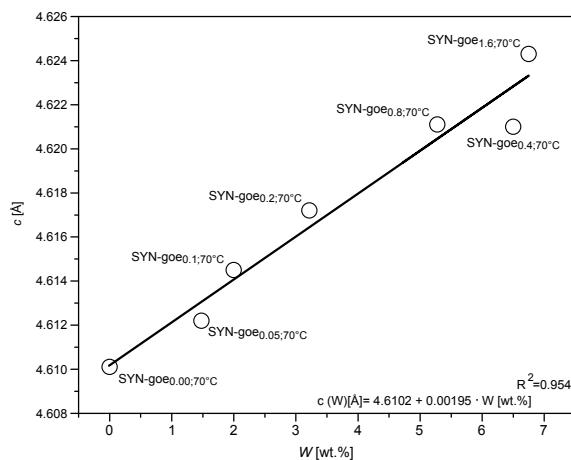
## APPENDIX A

**Table A1:** WDS conditions used in this study for EMPA analysis.

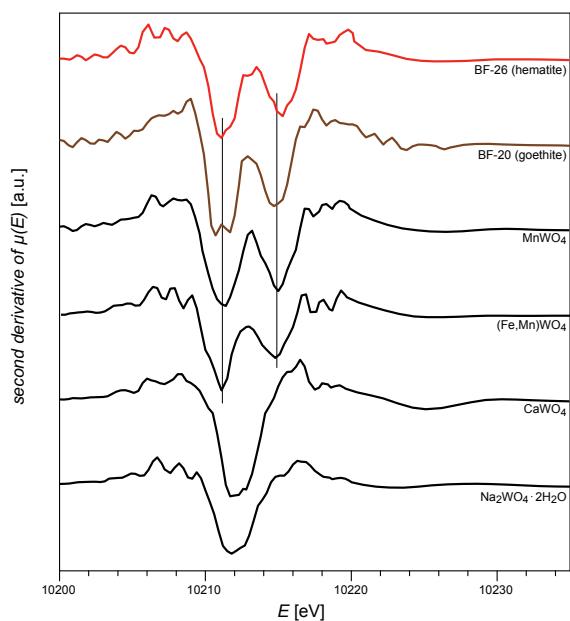
Element	Fluorescence line analyzed		Standard	Counting time	Detection limit [ppm]
Fe	K $\alpha$	LIF	Hematite	16 8	215
Mn	K $\alpha$		Bustamite	30 15	100
Al	K $\alpha$	TAP	Sanidine	16 8	65
W	L $\alpha$		CaWO <sub>4</sub>	30 15	240
As	K $\alpha$	LIF	GaAs	30 15	460
P	K $\alpha$		Apatite	16 8	110
Si	K $\alpha$	TAP	Diopside	16 8	100
Sb	L $\alpha$		Stibnite	30 15	430
Mo	L $\alpha$		Mo-metal	30 15	890
Ca	K $\alpha$		Diopside	16 8	65
Mg	K $\alpha$	TAP	Diopside	16 8	75



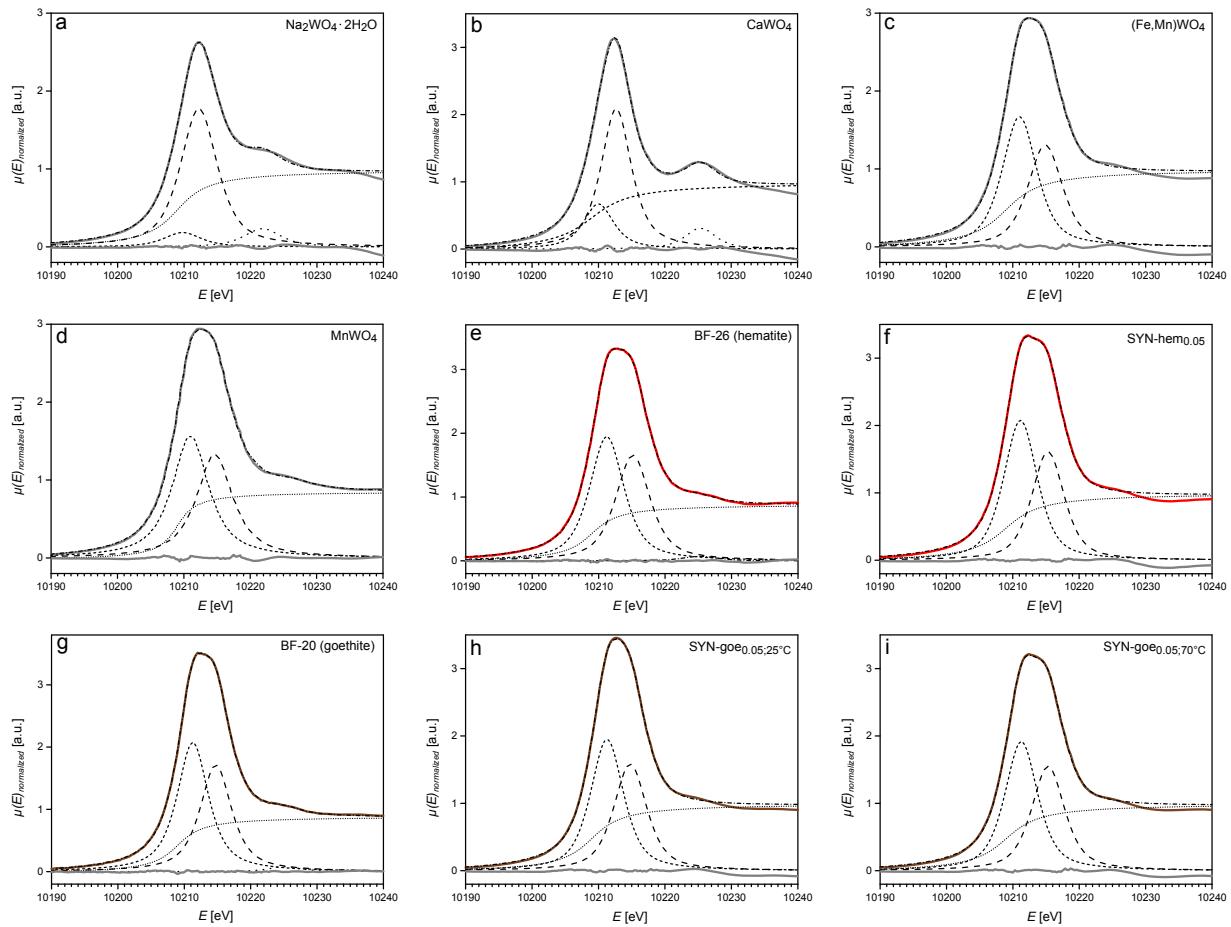
**FIGURE A1:**  $\mu$ XRD pattern of hematite (BF-11 and BF-26; upper part) and goethite (BF-20; lower part) from the Black Forest. The measuring spots were set to regions with the most elevated W concentration of the samples detected by EMPA (hematite: ~1.4 wt%  $\text{WO}_3$ ; goethite: ~0.2 wt%  $\text{WO}_3$ ).



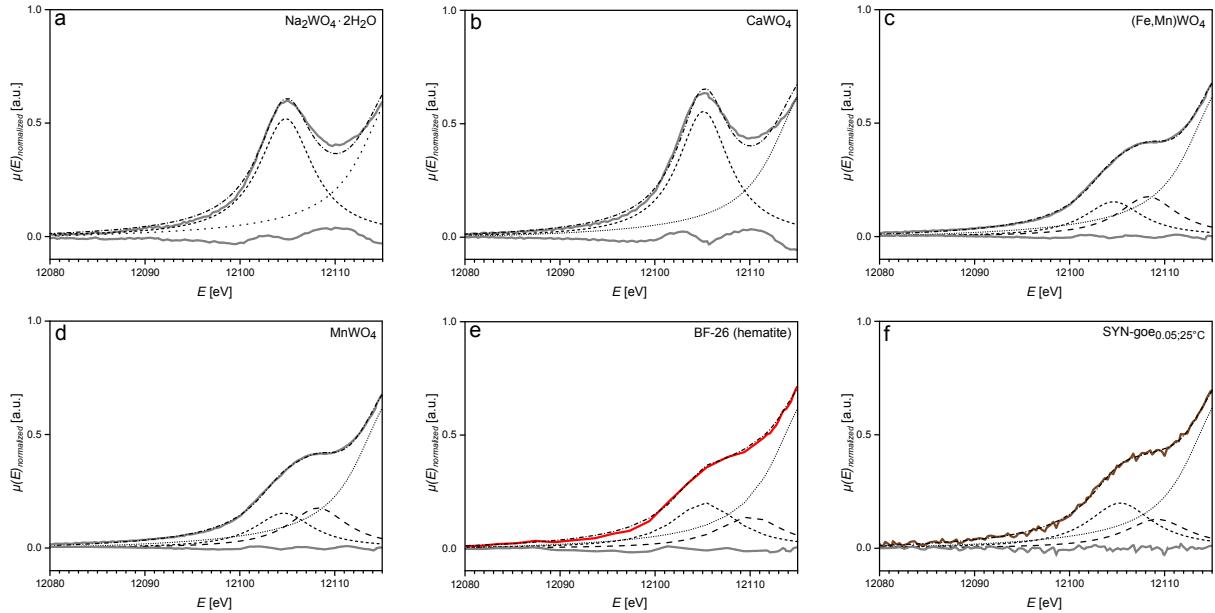
**FIGURE A2:** Crystallographic cell parameter  $c$  according to the W concentration of the synthetic powder samples (cf. Table 1).



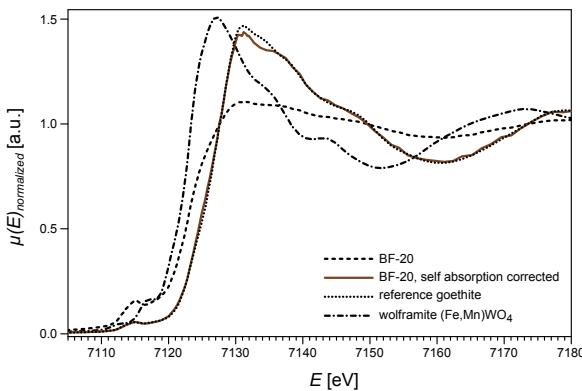
**FIGURE A3:** Second derivatives of W L3 XANES spectra of the reference substances  $\text{Na}_2\text{WO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{CaWO}_4$ , wolframite ( $(\text{Fe},\text{Mn})\text{WO}_4$ ), hübnerite ( $\text{MnWO}_4$ ) and the samples hematite BF-26 and goethite BF-20. Lines indicate the peak splitting for the reference substances with distorted octahedra and of two of the samples. Splitting for hematite BF-26 is slightly larger than for wolframite, hübnerite and goethite BF-20.



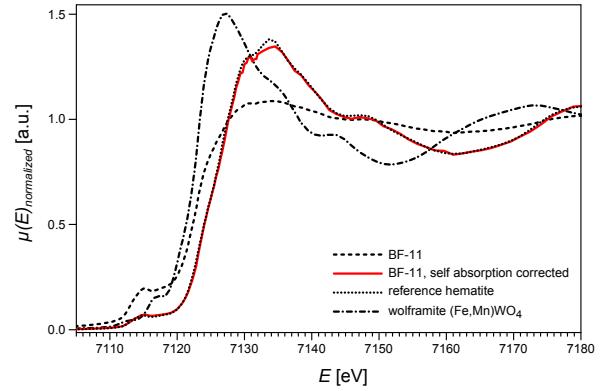
**FIGURE A4.1:** Deconvolution of W L<sub>3</sub> XANES spectra of reference substances: (a) Na<sub>2</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O, (b) scheelite (CaWO<sub>4</sub>), (c) wolframite ((Fe,Mn)WO<sub>4</sub>), (d) hübnerite (MnWO<sub>4</sub>), and samples: (e) hematite (BF-26) and (g) goethite (BF-20), (h) goethite SYN-goe<sub>0.05;25°C</sub>, (i) goethite SYN-goe<sub>0.05;70°C</sub>, and (f) hematite (SYN-hem<sub>0.05</sub>). Measured data of the edge illustrated as solid lines, fitting peaks as dashed or dotted lines and the accumulation of the fits as dot-dash lines. Solid lines at the bottom represent the deviation between the fit accumulation and the measured data.



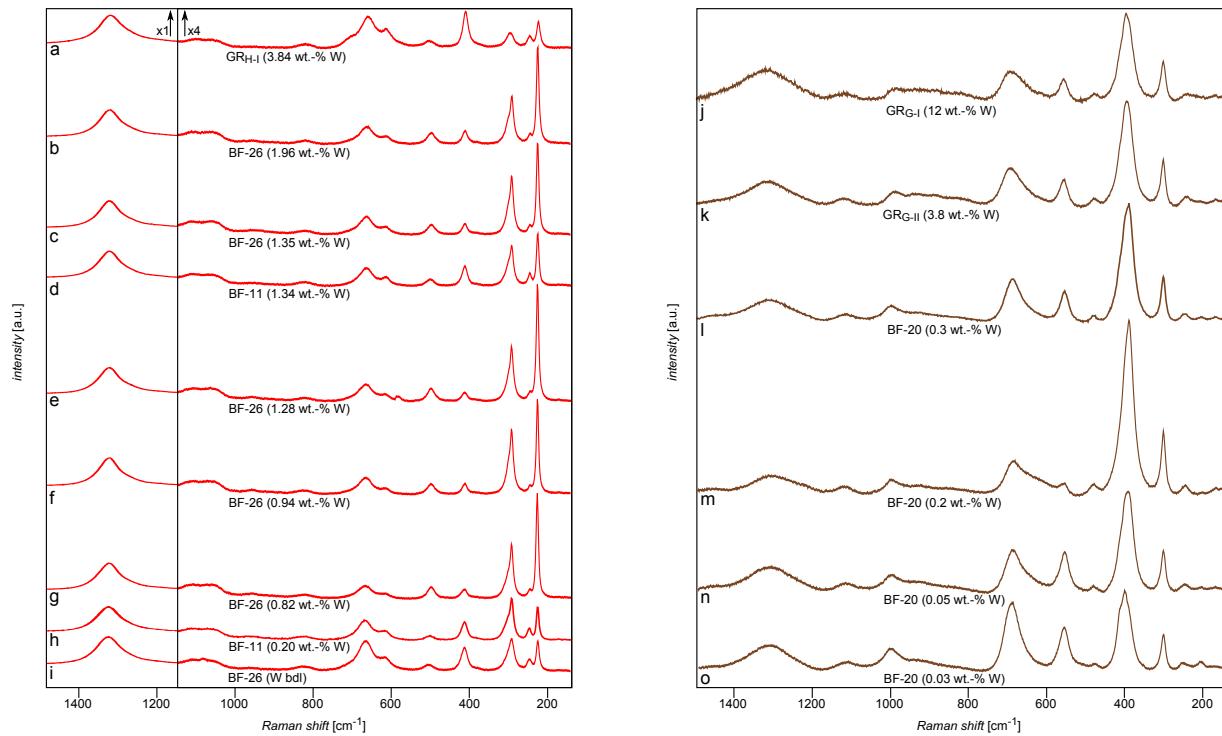
**FIGURE A4.2:** Deconvolution of W L<sub>1</sub> XANES spectra of reference substances: (a)  $\text{Na}_2\text{WO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , (b) scheelite ( $\text{CaWO}_4$ ), (c) wolframite ((Fe,Mn)  $\text{WO}_4$ ), (d) hübnerite ( $\text{MnWO}_4$ ), and samples: (e) hematite (BF-26) and (f) goethite  $\text{SYN-geo}_{0.05;25^\circ\text{C}}$ . For (c) to (f) two peaks have been used to fit the pre-edge; their intensities have been summed up. Measured data of the edge illustrated as solid lines, fitting peaks as dashed or dotted lines and the accumulation of the fits as dot-dash lines. Solid lines at the bottom represent the deviation between the fit accumulation and the measured data.



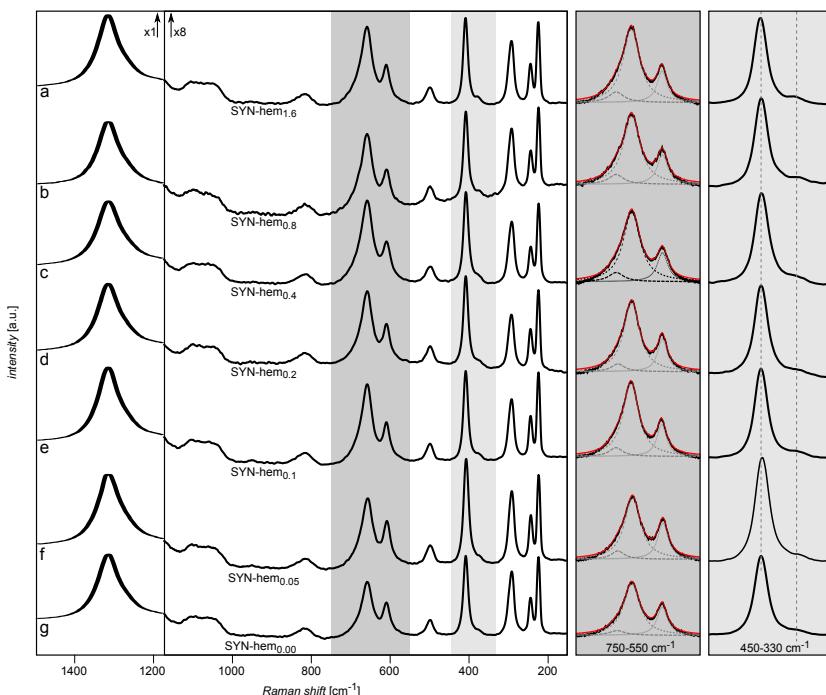
**FIGURE A5.1:** Fe K XANES spectra of natural goethite BF-20, after self absorption correction, compared to a reference goethite and wolframite.



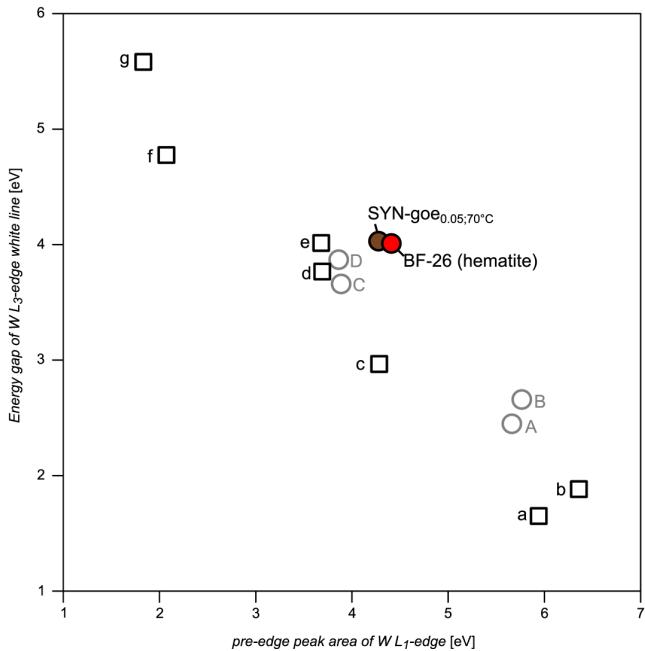
**FIGURE A5.2:** Fe K XANES spectra of natural hematite BF-11, after self absorption correction, compared to a reference hematite and wolframite.



**FIGURE A6:** Raman spectra of natural samples with different W concentrations. Left side (a-i) hematite and right side (j-o) goethite. (a) GR<sub>H-I</sub>, (d and h) BF-11, (b, c, e, f, g and i) BF-26; (j) GR<sub>G-I</sub>, (k) GR<sub>G-II</sub>, (l, m, n and o) BF-20. At each spectra, the W concentration is indicated and decreases from the top to bottom spectra. The subdivision of the left figure (hematite) indicates a 4-time raised intensity scale of the right part of each spectra.



**FIGURE A7:** Raman spectra of synthetic hematite samples with decreasing W concentration from top to bottom: (a) SYN-hem<sub>1.6</sub>, (b) SYN-hem<sub>0.8</sub>, (c) SYN-hem<sub>0.4</sub>, (d) SYN-hem<sub>0.2</sub>, (e) SYN-hem<sub>0.1</sub>, (f) SYN-hem<sub>0.05</sub> and (g) SYN-hem<sub>0.00</sub>. The subdivision indicates an 8-time raised intensity scale of the right part of each spectra. The grey highlighted areas are in detail on the right side showing the 450-330 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 750-550 cm<sup>-1</sup> intercepts of the spectra. Peaks of the 750-550 cm<sup>-1</sup> intercept spectra fits represent the dashed lines and their accumulation the dash-dot lines.



**FIGURE A8:** Pre-edge peak area of W L<sub>1</sub>-edge XANES spectra in function of the energy gap of the split W L<sub>3</sub>-edge white line of reference samples: This study Na<sub>2</sub>WO<sub>4</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O (A), CaWO<sub>4</sub> (scheelite) (B), MnWO<sub>4</sub> (hübnerite) (C) and (Fe,Mn)WO<sub>4</sub> (wolframite) (D) (open circles) and of Yamazoe et al., 2008 (taken from their Figure 11): Na<sub>2</sub>WO<sub>4</sub> (a), Sc<sub>2</sub>W<sub>3</sub>O<sub>12</sub> (b), H<sub>3</sub>PW<sub>12</sub>O<sub>40</sub> (c), WO<sub>3</sub> (d), (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>10</sub>W<sub>12</sub>O<sub>41</sub>·5H<sub>2</sub>O (e), Cr<sub>2</sub>WO<sub>6</sub> (f) Ba<sub>2</sub>NiWO<sub>6</sub> (g) (open squares). Values of the sample SYN-goe<sub>0.05,70°C</sub> and BF-26 plot close to hübnerite, wolframite and WO<sub>3</sub> data indicating similar W coordination and electronic structure of distorted WO<sub>6</sub> octahedra.