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**Are the Thermodynamic Properties
of Natural and Synthetic $\text{Mg}_2\text{SiO}_4\text{-Fe}_2\text{SiO}_4$ Olivines the Same?**

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ABSTRACT

It is not known if the thermodynamic behavior of some rock-forming minerals and their synthetic analogues are quantitatively the same. Olivine is an important rock-forming substitutional solid solution consisting of the two end-members forsterite, Mg_2SiO_4 , and fayalite, Fe_2SiO_4 . We undertook first C_p measurements on two natural olivines between 2 and 300 K; nearly end-member fayalite and a forsterite-rich crystal $\text{Fo}_{0.904}\text{Fa}_{0.096}$. Their $C_p(T)$ behavior is compared to that of synthetic crystals of similar composition, as found in the literature. The two natural olivines are characterized by X-ray powder diffraction and ^{57}Fe Mössbauer spectroscopy. The X-ray results show that the crystals are well crystalline. The Mössbauer hyperfine parameters, obtained from a fit with two Fe^{2+} quadrupole split doublets, are similar to published values measured on synthetic olivines. There are slight differences in the absorption line widths (i.e., FWHM) between the natural and synthetic crystals. C_p (2 to 300 K) is measured by relaxation calorimetry. The C_p results of the natural nearly end-member fayalite and published values for two different synthetic Fa_{100} samples are in excellent agreement. Even C_p resulting from a Schottky anomaly and a paramagnetic-antiferromagnetic phase transition with both arising from Fe^{2+} are similar. There are slight differences in the Néel temperature between the natural, 63 K, and synthetic, ~65 K, fayalites. This is probably related to the presence of additional minor elements (e.g., Mn^{2+}) in the natural crystal. The S° value is 151.6 ± 1.1 J/mol·K. C_p behavior of the natural forsterite, $\text{Fo}_{0.904}\text{Fa}_{0.096}$, and a synthetic $\text{Fo}_{90}\text{Fa}_{10}$ olivine are in excellent agreement between about 7 and 300 K. The only difference lies at $T < 7$ K, as the former does not show Debye T^3 behavior, but, instead, a plateauing of C_p values. The S° value for the natural forsterite is 99.1 ± 0.7 J/mol·K.

Key Words: Thermodynamics, Calorimetry, Heat Capacity, Entropy, Olivine, ^{57}Fe Mössbauer Spectroscopy

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INTRODUCTION

51 The database of thermodynamic properties of rock-forming minerals is large. However,
52 in spite of the great amount of research that has been done, there are still various outstanding
53 issues. One important issue concerns the thermodynamic behavior of minerals and their synthetic
54 analogues. This is critical because there is an underlying assumption in the community that there
55 are no or negligible energetic differences between synthetic and natural crystals. The
56 compilation of calorimetrically determined properties of Robie and Hemingway (1995) contains,
57 for example, results obtained on both natural and synthetic phases. Internally consistent
58 thermodynamic databases use phase-equilibrium and calorimetric results, obtained on the two
59 types of crystals as well, to derive “best-fit” values of different thermodynamic functions. There
60 could be, though, quantitative differences in the thermodynamic properties for some minerals.

61 Helgeson et al. (1978) wrote in their “Summary and Critique of the Thermodynamic
62 Properties of Rock-Forming Minerals” that the two types of phases could behave differently.
63 However, since then, little research has addressed this issue. Geiger and Dachs (2018) did
64 analyze the standard third-law entropy, S° , value of various “end-member” silicate garnets both
65 synthetic and natural. In two cases (i.e., almandine and andradite), there was no marked
66 difference between synthetic and natural crystals in terms of calorimetric heat-capacity
67 measurements, $C_p(0-300\text{ K})$, which were used to obtain S° . They noted, though, that older
68 calorimetric $C_p(0-300\text{ K})$ measurements may not have been fully quantitative in some cases
69 because of different technical issues. On the other hand, in the case of grossular, $\text{Ca}_3\text{Al}_2\text{Si}_3\text{O}_{12}$,
70 where multiple calorimetric studies on various natural and synthetic crystals have been made and
71 in several independent laboratories, there are small but measurable variations in $C_p(T)$ behavior
72 and S° values (Dachs et al. 2012; Geiger and Dachs 2018).

73 Constant pressure heat capacity, $C_p(T)$, is an essential thermodynamic function of any
74 crystalline substance, especially at low temperatures (Westrum 1962)¹. It can be measured
75 directly via calorimetry. It is defined as

$$76 \quad C_p = \left(\frac{dH}{dT}\right)_P \quad (1),$$

77 where H is the enthalpy. From it, S° can be calculated via:

$$78 \quad S^\circ - S^{T=0K} = \int_0^{298.15} \frac{C_p}{T} dT \quad (2),$$

79 assuming $S^{T=0K} = 0$. S° can also be considered the calorimetric entropy.

80 Olivine is an important substitutional solid-solution silicate consisting of the two end-
81 members forsterite, Mg_2SiO_4 , and fayalite, Fe_2SiO_4 . It occurs in meteorites, asteroids and in solid
82 planets and their moons, and it is the most abundant phase in Earth's upper mantle. A precise
83 knowledge of olivine's thermodynamic properties is crucial for undertaking a variety of
84 mineralogical, petrological, geochemical and geophysical investigations. One area of current
85 geochemical and metamorphic research is focusing on mineral carbonation and serpentinization
86 of peridotite (Keleman et al. 2011). Here, relatively low-temperature olivine-bearing reactions
87 are of importance. Olivine's thermodynamic behavior is complex and involves the atomic
88 mixing of Fe^{2+} and Mg over two crystallographically independent octahedrally coordinated sites
89 M1 and M2. Their mixing is temperature and composition dependent. Moreover, intermediate
90 Fe^{2+} -bearing olivines show a low-temperature magnetic phase transition and a Schottky
91 anomaly. Robie et al. (1982a, b) measured the low-temperature C_p (5-300 K) of synthetic end-
92 member forsterite and fayalite, respectively, using adiabatic calorimetry. Dachs et al. (2007) also
93 measured both end-members and, in addition, a number of synthetic intermediate-composition,

¹“The solid state researcher so often has occasion to acknowledge the extraordinary wealth of information that can be obtained about substances from low-temperature heat capacity determinations that one is tempted to attribute to such measurements a more fundamental significance than to any other unique method of investigation.”

94 $(\text{Mg}_{1-x}, \text{Fe}^{2+}_x)_2\text{SiO}_4$, crystals using relaxation calorimetry. As best we know, no $C_p(0-300 \text{ K})$
95 measurements have been made on natural olivine.

96 In light of this, this study presents first low-temperature C_p measurements of two
97 different composition natural olivines. The results are compared to those obtained on synthetic
98 crystals and an analysis of the thermodynamic behavior is made and conclusions drawn.

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100 METHODS

101 Samples

102 Two natural olivine samples with different compositions, including a nearly end-member
103 fayalite and a forsterite ($\text{Fo}_{0.904}\text{Fa}_{0.096}$), were selected for study. They are described in Table 1.
104 Their compositions are given in Table 2. A fayalite-rich rock chip (Rockport, MA) roughly two
105 cm size was crushed to a sand size and clear olivine grains were carefully hand-picked under a
106 binocular to obtain a clean separate. The forsterite-rich olivine (Pyaung-gaung Mine, Myanmar)
107 was prepared as a doubly polished platelet, about 3.3 x 4.3 x 1.0 mm, as taken from a larger
108 single crystal.

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110 X-ray powder diffraction, ^{57}Fe Mössbauer spectroscopy, and low-temperature C_p 111 measurements

112 Sample purity was checked via x-ray powder diffraction (XRPD) using a Bruker D8
113 Advance with DaVinci-Design diffractometer (Bruker AXS, Karlsruhe, Germany). Splits from
114 both samples were ground, mounted on a single-crystal silicon holder and measured using Cu
115 $K\alpha$ radiation (40 kV, 40 mA) in continuous mode between $5^\circ \leq 2\theta \leq 95^\circ$ with a step size of
116 0.015° and 0.15 sec/step. The diffractometer has a Bragg-Brentano beam geometry with a fixed
117 0.3° divergence slit, primary and secondary side 2.5° Soller slits, a 4.0° antiscatter slit and an
118 energy dispersive Lynxeye detector (opening angle 2.934°). Silicon powder NBS SRM 640b was

119 used as an external calibration standard. Data were plotted using DIFFRAC.EVA (Version
120 5.0.0.22, 2019, Bruker AXS Inc., WI, USA).

121 The experimental ^{57}Fe Mössbauer spectroscopic set-up has been described before (Palke
122 et al. 2015). In brief, ^{57}Fe Mössbauer transmission spectra were recorded with a horizontal
123 arrangement using a $^{57}\text{Co}/\text{Rh}$ single-line source with constant acceleration and a symmetric
124 sawtooth velocity shape. The absorption data were collected with a multi-channel analyzer
125 having 1024 channels and the velocity calibration was made using a 30 μm thick $\alpha\text{-Fe}$ foil. The
126 FWHM associated with the ^{57}Co source is 0.243 ± 0.015 . A powdered sample was contained in a
127 plastic disc held a Cu-ring of 10 mm inner diameter, covered with high-purity Al-foil on the
128 backside. The folded spectrum was evaluated by using Lorentzian-shaped doublets using the
129 program RECOIL.

130 $C_p(T)$ was measured three times at 60 different temperature increments from 300 down to
131 2 K. The mass of the polycrystalline fayalite sample was 15.47 mg. The mass of the forsterite
132 crystal platelet was 30.57 mg. The Quantum Design relaxation calorimeter and the experimental
133 set-up used to measure C_p have been described before (Dachs and Bertoldi 2005; Geiger and
134 Dachs 2018) and are not repeated here. Measurements on standard Al_2O_3 and/or MgO single
135 crystals (Geiger and Dachs 2018) are made on a regular basis to check the experimental
136 accuracy.

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138 RESULTS

139 The X-ray results show that both samples are primarily olivine with only minor amounts
140 of other phases (Supplementary Fig. 1a and Fig. 1b). The ^{57}Fe Mössbauer spectra are shown in
141 Fig. 1a and 1b and they can be fitted well with two Fe^{2+} doublets. The fit parameters are given in
142 Table 3. The amount of Fe^{3+} in both samples is very minor based on the minimal to nil
143 absorption between 0.0 and 1.0 mm/s. No attempt was made to account for possible differences
144 in the recoil-free fraction for Fe^{2+} at M1 and M2.

145 The $C_p(T)$ data from the relaxation-calorimetry measurements of the two natural olivines
146 are compared with the C_p behavior of synthetic olivines of similar compositions in Fig. 2a and
147 Fig. 2b. The data for the former samples are average values obtained from three separate $C_p(2$ -
148 300 K) measurements (cf. raw data in Supplementary Tables 1a and 1b and one sigma errors).
149 The data for the two different synthetic fayalite samples are the smoothed values given in Robie
150 et al. (1982b) and Dachs et al. (2007). A pronounced paramagnetic-antiferromagnetic magnetic
151 transition and a Schottky anomaly, both related to Fe^{2+} , are apparent in the data of the fayalites.
152 The Néel temperature, T_N , of the magnetic transition is 64.9 K (Robie et al. 1982b) or 64.5 K
153 (Dachs et al. 2009) for synthetic fayalite and 63.1 K for the natural Rockport sample. A weak
154 and broad Schottky anomaly, arising from the spin-orbit interaction for Fe^{2+} , is centered at about
155 19 K for both types of crystals (Fig. 2a). The S° value calculated (eqn. 2) for the Rockport
156 sample is 151.6 ± 1.1 J/mol·K (S° is taken to be equal to $S^{\text{calorimetric}}$ at 298.15 K and the entropy
157 contribution for the temperature region between 0 and 2 K is negligible being about 0.003
158 J/mol·K). Uncertainties in S° associated with relaxation calorimetry are discussed in Geiger and
159 Dachs (2018 - Table 1). The S° value for Rockport olivine is indistinguishable from the values
160 obtained for synthetic fayalite of 151.0 ± 0.2 J/mol·K (Robie et al. 1982b) and 151.4 ± 0.1
161 J/mol·K (Dachs et al. 2009).

162 Figure 2b shows the $C_p(2$ -300 K) results for the natural forsterite of composition
163 $\text{Fo}_{0.904}\text{Fa}_{0.096}$ and a synthetic olivine of comparable composition of $\text{Fo}_{0.90}\text{Fa}_{0.10}$ (Dachs et al.
164 2009). The intensity of the magnetic phase transition (i.e., magnon contribution to C_p) and T_N
165 decrease with decreasing Fe^{2+} in olivine (Dachs et al. 2009; Geiger et al. 2019). For this
166 forsterite-rich olivine, the C_p data show a weak and broad feature that is centered roughly at 20 K
167 and that probably is magnetic in nature. A very weak possible Schottky anomaly is centered at
168 about 13 K. Both can only be resolved, and separated from the vibrational (phonon) C_p , by
169 model calculations (Dachs et al. 2009). S° for this synthetic $\text{Fo}_{0.90}\text{Fa}_{0.10}$ sample is 99.5 J/mol·K

170 (Dachs et al. 2009) and for the natural crystal we calculate 99.1 ± 0.7 J/mol·K (this includes 0.03
171 J/mol·K for the temperature region between 0 and 2 K).

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173 DISCUSSION

174 **Natural vs synthetic crystals**

175 Olivine can be synthesized in the laboratory without the use of a flux and from high-
176 purity component oxides. The experiment involves relatively short sintering times at high
177 temperature (e.g. $T > 1000$ °C). For Fe²⁺- bearing crystals the f_{O_2} conditions must be controlled.
178 The resulting crystals are typically fine grained, roughly 1 to 100 micrometers in size. In nature,
179 on the other hand, crystals can grow at lower temperatures (e.g. metamorphic regimes) and they
180 do so over geologic time periods. They can be coarse grained ranging up to centimeters in size
181 (of course, natural crystals can have varying modes of origin). Consequently, differences in
182 structural state, that is Fe²⁺-Mg order-disorder over the M1 and M2 sites, between synthetic and
183 natural olivines can occur because of the different crystallization processes. Natural crystals
184 from metamorphic or plutonic settings can, in general, be more ordered in terms of atomic
185 structure compared to their synthetic analogues. Ordered crystals typically have stronger
186 chemical bonding than disordered ones of the same composition. It follows that $C_p(T)$ and S°
187 values for the former should be smaller than the latter. Heat capacity and entropy effects related
188 to long-range cation order-disorder in Fe²⁺-Mg olivine solid solutions have not been investigated
189 in a quantitative manner.

190 Natural olivine is expected to generally contain higher concentrations of minor or trace
191 elements compared to synthetic crystals prepared from high purity reactants. Finally, there is
192 also the issue of defect chemistry and point defects to consider and, here, there could also
193 possibly be differences between synthetic and natural crystals. Some natural olivines may
194 contain a little Fe³⁺ (Ejima et al. 2012), and minor structural OH⁻ can be present as well (Miller et
195 al. 1987). What do the results of our X-ray, ⁵⁷Fe Mössbauer and C_p measurements show?

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197 **X-ray diffraction and ^{57}Fe Mössbauer spectroscopic interpretation**

198 The X-ray results indicate that both olivine samples are nearly pure. Only small amounts
199 (about < 1 %) of other phases could be identified. The olivine diffraction peaks are intense and
200 narrow in width indicating good crystallinity (Supplementary Fig. 1). The ^{57}Fe Mössbauer
201 spectra can be fit well with two Fe^{2+} quadrupole-split doublets (Bancroft et al. 1967; Dyar et al.
202 2009). The amount of Fe^{3+} in both samples is very minor based on the minimal to nil absorption
203 between about 0.0 and 1.0 mm/sec (Fig. 1).

204 In terms of high-spin Fe^{2+} in olivine and for a first-order analysis, the magnitude of the
205 quadrupole splitting gives a measure of the asymmetry of the charge distribution around the Fe
206 nucleus (i.e., octahedral M-site distortion). It consists of valence and lattice terms, whereby the
207 latter decreases with increasing distortion. The isomer shift measures the *s* electron contact
208 density at the Fe nucleus (i.e., is a function of the ligand coordination). Diffraction results on
209 olivine indicate that M1 is smaller in volume and more distorted than M2 at room temperature
210 (Princivalle 1990). The assignments of the two Fe^{2+} doublets in Table 3 follow this reasoning.
211 The areas of the two doublets are similar. For the fayalite, the areas should be similar (assuming
212 that the small amount of Mn^{2+} in the olivine is not located largely at either M1 or M2). The
213 spectrum of the forsterite sample may show a slight tendency for Fe^{2+} to favor M2, but the
214 difference in doublet areas is within experimental error. The hyperfine parameters of both natural
215 olivines (Table 3) are in good agreement with those obtained on synthetic samples of similar
216 composition (Dyar et al. 2009), except possibly for the quadrupole split value for doublet 2 for
217 our fayalite (i.e., 2.71 mm/s) versus that of an end-member composition synthetic fayalite (i.e.,
218 2.76 mm/s).

219 A possible systematic difference between the spectra of natural and synthetic olivines
220 may lie in the values of the absorption line widths (i.e., FWHM). For the two natural crystals
221 they are the same with values of 0.24 mm/sec, whereas synthetics give values of about 0.29

222 mm/s for Fa_{100} and 0.27 mm/s for $\text{Fo}_{90}\text{Fa}_{10}$ (Dyar et al. 2009) A precise crystal-chemical
223 interpretation of the line widths is difficult to make, but larger widths may reflect more nearest
224 or next-nearest neighbor atomic disorder (i.e., structural heterogeneity).

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226 $C_p(T)$ and S° behavior

227 The $C_p(2\text{-}300\text{ K})$ behavior of natural fayalite and synthetic Fa_{100} is in excellent
228 agreement. Even C_p arising from magnon contributions and the Schottky anomaly is the same for
229 the two crystal types. This agreement is a rather remarkable result, we think, considering the
230 very different origins of the two olivine samples. There is a slight difference of about 2 K
231 between the T_N values ($\sim 65\text{ K}$ for synthetic samples vs 63 K for the natural crystal). In the case
232 of “end-member composition” silicate garnets, small variations in T_N can arise from minor
233 concentrations of “impurity” cations occurring in solid solution (Geiger et al. 2019). This is
234 possibly the case here as well, because the natural fayalite contains some Mn^{2+} substituting for
235 Fe^{2+} . Because Mn^{2+} and Fe^{2+} have similar masses (54.94 and 55.85 amu, respectively) and ionic
236 radii in six-fold coordination (83 pm vs 78 pm), their vibrational (phonon) behavior in olivine
237 should be similar. There is excellent agreement among the S° values for synthetic fayalite of
238 $151.0 \pm 0.2\text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}$ (Robie et al. 1982b) and $151.4 \pm 0.1\text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}$ (Dachs et al. 2007) and for the
239 natural fayalite ($151.6 \pm 1.1\text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}$).

240 The $C_p(T)$ behavior of the natural forsterite $\text{Fo}_{0.894}\text{Fa}_{0.106}$ and the synthetic $\text{Fo}_{90}\text{Fa}_{10}$
241 sample (Dachs et al. 2009) are in excellent agreement between about 7 and 300 K. It would
242 appear that any phonon differences arising from possible variations in Fe^{2+} -Mg order-disorder
243 are minimal to nil. The only observable differences in C_p behavior lie at $T < 7\text{ K}$. The natural
244 crystal does not show Debye T^3 behavior, but instead a quasi-plateauing of C_p between about 2
245 and 7 K (Fig. 2b). A physical interpretation for this result is difficult to make. There is very little
246 research, of any type, on silicates at such low temperatures. Many older adiabatic calorimetry
247 investigations were only made down to roughly 8 K. However, one could speculate that the

248 plateauing is due to an “impurity” atom such as Fe^{3+} . Gmelin (1969) showed in very low C_p
249 measurements down to 0.5 K on MgO that 340 ppm Fe^{3+} gives rise to an anomaly centered at
250 roughly 1-2 K. Such concentrations of Fe^{3+} in natural olivine are possible, but more work is
251 required to fully explain the nature of this C_p anomaly. This very low-temperature behavior is
252 not of great significance for chemical thermodynamic calculations but rather for its thermal
253 physical nature. The S° of the crystal is $99.1 \pm 0.7 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}$ and, thus, the same as that measured
254 for synthetic $\text{Fo}_{0.90}\text{Fa}_{0.10}$ having a value of $99.5 \pm 0.1 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}$ (Dachs et al. 2007).

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IMPLICATIONS

257 This work shows that there are no significant $C_p(T)$ differences in a chemical
258 thermodynamic sense between two selected natural olivine samples and their synthetic
259 equivalents, despite their contrasting crystallization histories and small differences in chemistry.
260 Further $C_p(T)$ measurements on additional intermediate olivine compositions are required to get
261 a more complete handle on any possible thermodynamic differences between both types of
262 phases. In addition, calorimetric measurements to determine enthalpies of formation and mixing
263 could be useful as well. $\Delta C_p(298 \text{ K})$ mixing behavior for olivines across the forsterite-fayalite
264 join, calculated from IR spectra, may be nonideal according to Hofmeister and Pitman (2007).
265 For silicates, most low-temperature calorimetric studies have concentrated on end-member
266 compositions in the case of substitutional-solid-solution systems. Moreover, older calorimetric
267 work was sometimes done on minerals that were not always well characterized structurally (e.g.,
268 structural state) and sometimes even compositionally. For these reasons, $C_p(T)$ and S° behavior
269 for various silicate solid solutions and phases showing atomic order-disorder are, in general, still
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Figure Captions

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354 Figure 1. ^{57}Fe Mössbauer spectra of natural olivine samples. (a) NMNH R3517 fayalite from
355 Rockport, MA, USA and (b) C1/NFo90 forsterite from Mogok, Myanmar. The spectra are fitted
356 with two different symmetric quadrupole split doublets. The green doublet with the larger
357 quadrupole split value corresponds to Fe^{2+} at the octahedrally coordinated M2 site and the red
358 doublet with the smaller value to Fe^{2+} at M1 (see Table 3).

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360 Figure 2. C_p data from 2 to 300 K. (a) The brown circles are data for nearly end-member fayalite
361 NMNH R3517 from Rockport, MA, USA, the “x” symbols (Dachs et al. 2007) and the “+”
362 symbols (Robie et al. 1982b) for synthetic fayalite. The inset shows the lowest temperature
363 region and note the Schottky anomaly. (b) The green circles are data for the natural forsterite,
364 $\text{Fo}_{0.904}\text{Fa}_{0.096}$, from the Pyaung-gaung Mine, Mogok, Katha District, Myanmar and the “+”
365 symbols for synthetic $\text{Fo}_{90}\text{Fa}_{10}$ (Dachs et al. 2007). The inset shows the lowest temperature
366 region and note the plateauing of C_p values below about 7 K.

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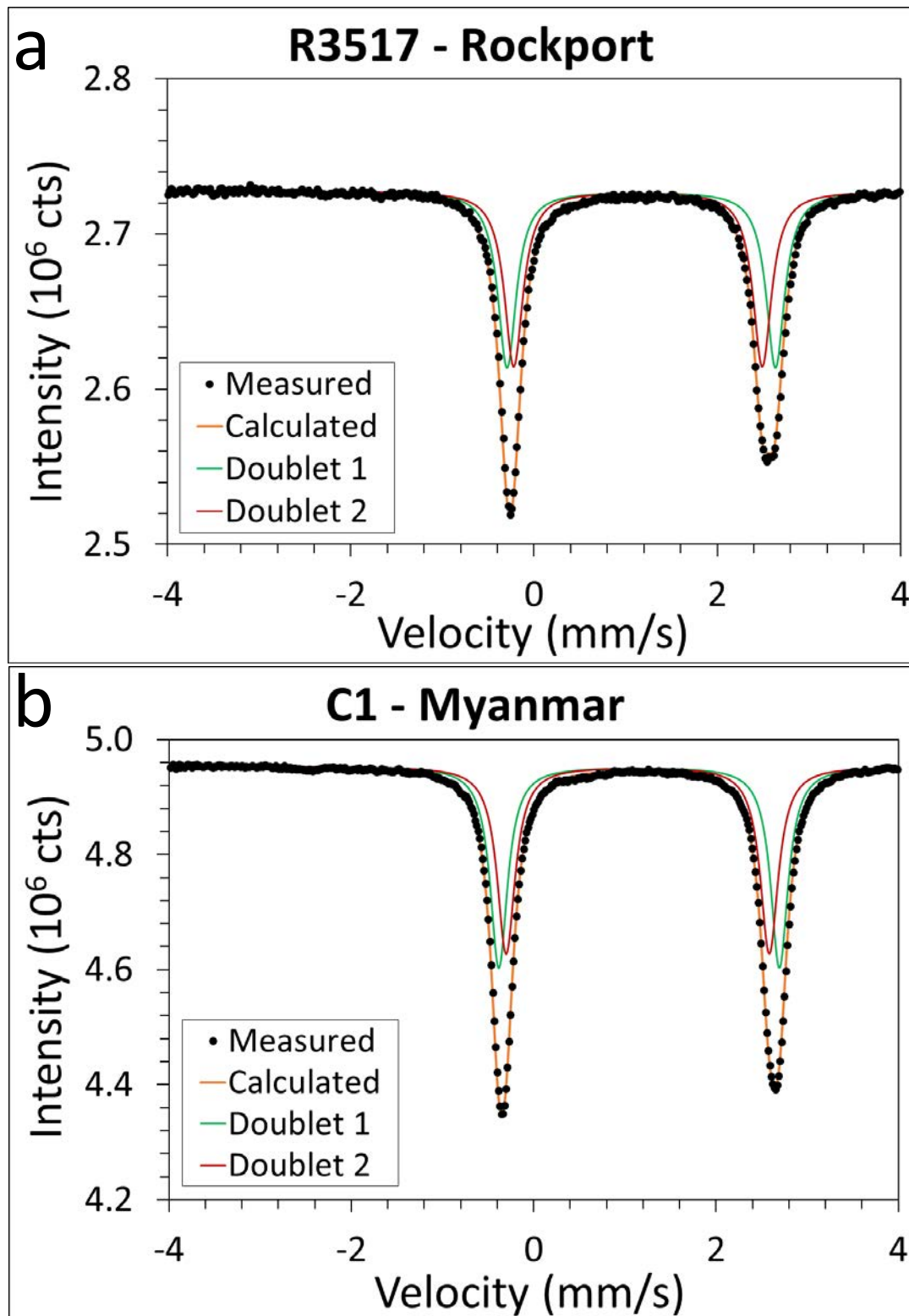
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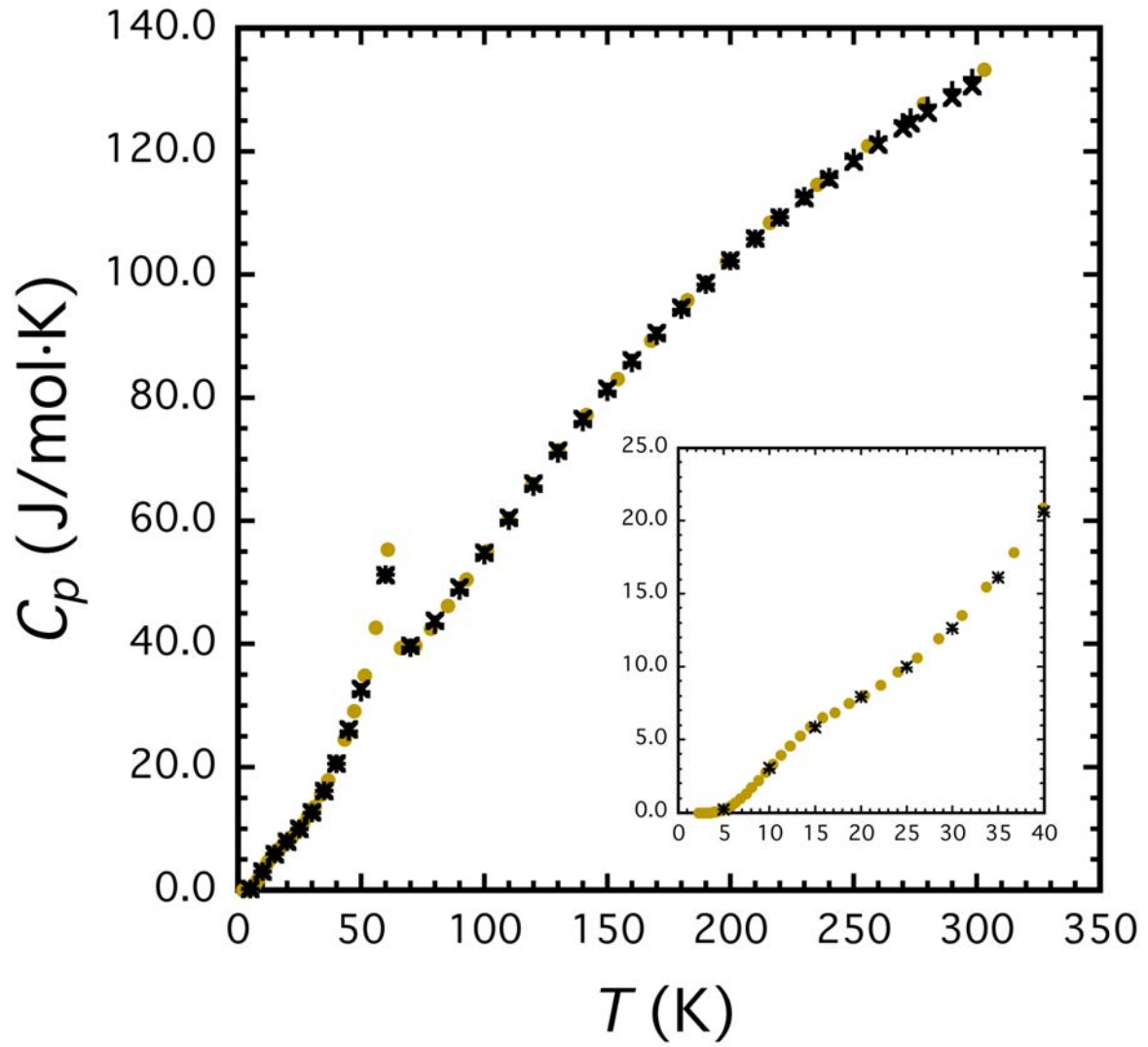
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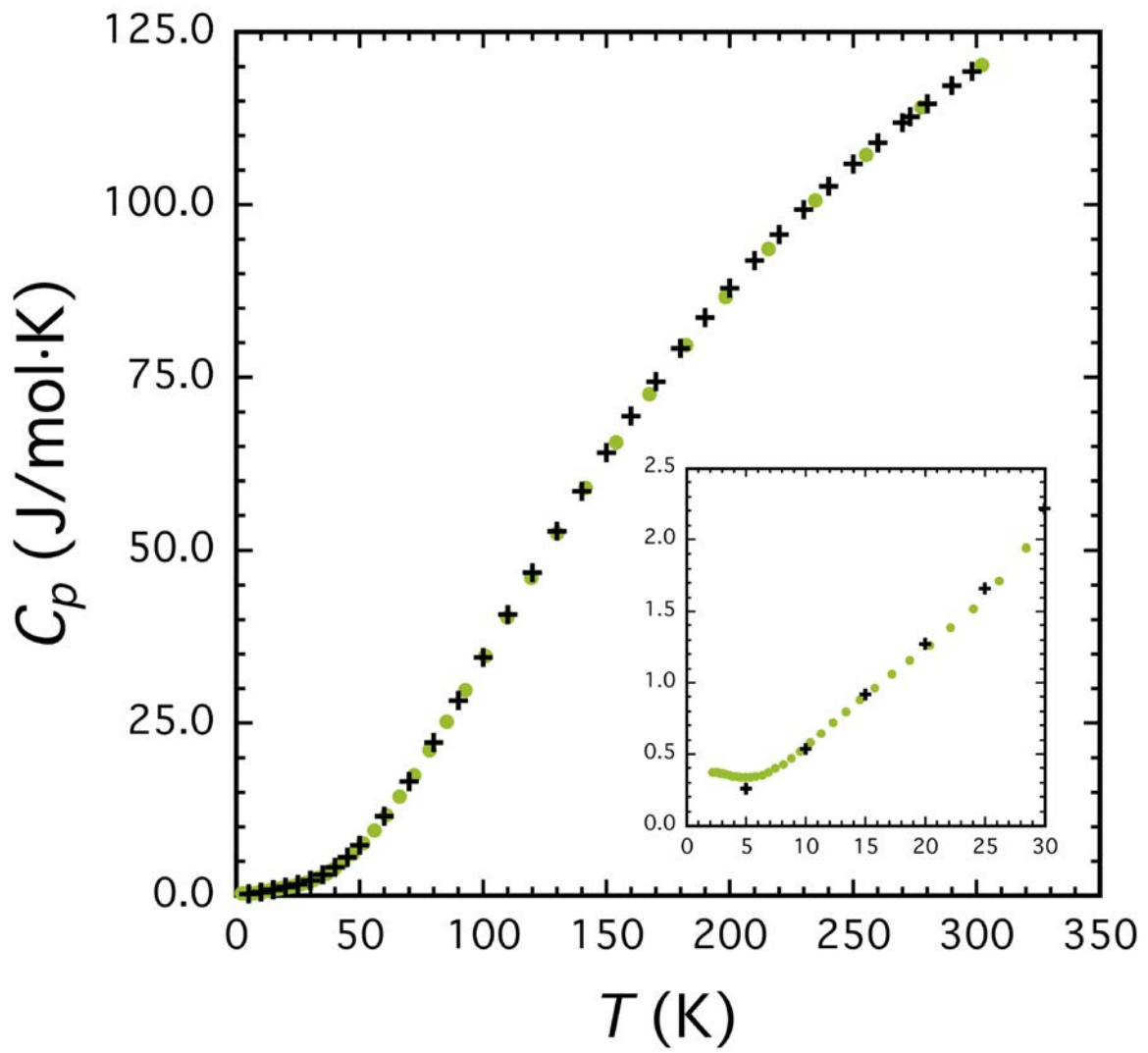
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397 Table 1. Olivines used for investigation.

Label	Locality (Source)	Sample Description and References
NFo90/C1	Pyauung-gaung Mine, Mogok, Katha District, Myanmar (E. Ferré)	~5 mm size gemmy-like crystals within metamorphosed dolomitic limestone ^{1,2}
NMNH R 3517 00	Rockport, Massachusetts, USA (Smithsonian Institute)	Isolated fayalite-rich rock masses in pegmatite and granite; xenolithic ^{3,4,5,6}

398 ¹ Belley et al. (2009), ² Harlow and Thu (2014), ³Palache (1950), ⁴Dyar et al. (1998), ⁵Rose et al.
399 (2015), ⁶Cloutis et al. (2015)

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419 Table 2. Published microprobe results for the two studied
420 olivine samples in oxide wt. % and the calculated crystal-chemical
421 formulae based on four oxygens.

Sample	NMNH R3517 ¹	NFo90/C1 ²
SiO ₂	29.78	40.9
FeO	66.48	9.4
MgO	0.05	49.4
MnO	2.14	-
ZnO	0.54	-
NiO/Ni ₂ O ₃	0.04	0.3
CaO	0.05	-
TiO ₂	Trace	-
CoO	0.10	-
Total	99.18	100.0
Si	1.01	1.00
Fe ²⁺	1.89	0.19
Mg	-	1.80
Mn ²⁺	0.06	-
Zn ²⁺	-	-
Ni	-	0.01
Total	2.96	3.00

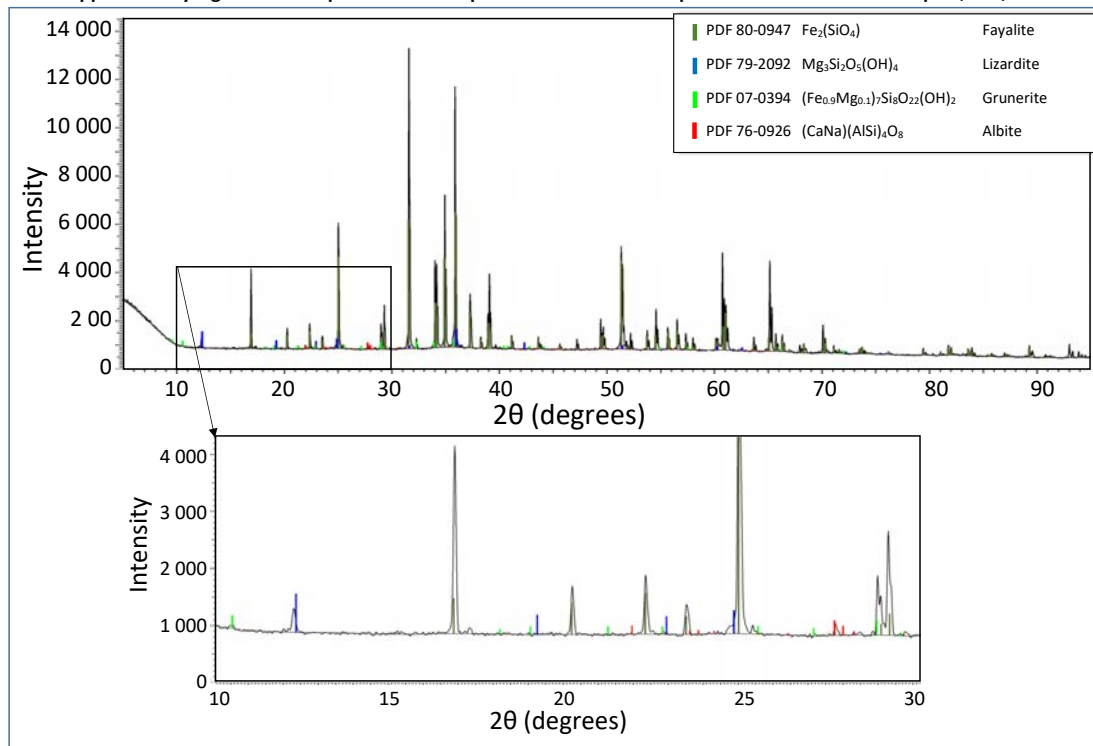
422 ¹Cloutis et al. (2015) and ²Belley et al. (2009).

Table 3. Fit parameters for the ^{57}Fe Mössbauer spectra. Two Fe^{2+} quadrupole split doublets were fit to the spectra of both olivine samples.

Sample	Doublet 1 - Fe^{2+} at M2				Doublet 2 - Fe^{2+} at M1				χ^2
	Δ mm/s	δ mm/s	Γ mm/s	Area %	Δ mm/s	δ mm/s	Γ mm/s	Area %	
Fayalite NMNH R3517	2.93	1.17	0.24	50.0	2.71	1.13	0.24	50.0	1.17
Forsterite NFo90/C1	3.08	1.15	0.24	50.9	2.89	1.14	0.24	49.1	1.94

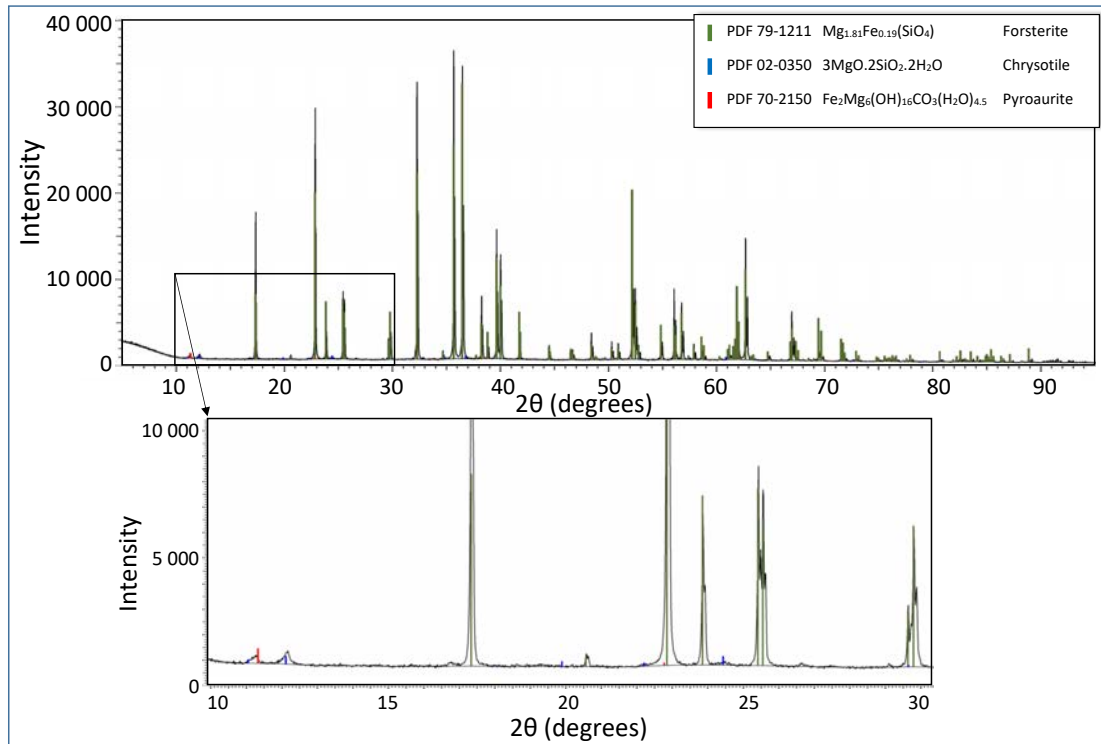
The parameters for Δ (quadrupole splitting), δ (isomer shift relative to α -Fe foil) and Γ (FWHM) are given to the second decimal and one decimal for the areas. Errors in the former are less than ± 0.02 mm/s, whereas for the areas they are less than about $\pm 5\%$.

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Supplementary Figure 1a. XRD pattern for Rockport natural olivine sample NMNH R3517 from Rockport, MA, USA.



Supplementary Fig. 1a

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Supplementary Figure 1b. XRD pattern for natural olivine sample C1/NFo90 from Mogok, Myanmar.



Supplementary Fig. 1b

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Supplementary Table 1a: PPMS Data								
Natural Olivine Sample NMNH R-3517 from Rockport, MA, USA								
Formula Weight 203.199 g/mol								
Sample Weight 15.47 mg								
PPMS-1			PPMS-2			PPMS-3		
T (K)	Cp (J/mol.K)	1 sigma (J/mol.K)	T (K)	Cp (J/mol.K)	1 sigma (J/mol.K)	T (K)	Cp (J/mol.K)	1 sigma (J/mol.K)
2.20	0.0068	0.0002	2.20	0.0068	0.0002	2.20	0.0068	0.0002
2.38	0.0080	0.0002	2.38	0.0080	0.0002	2.38	0.0081	0.0002
2.58	0.0097	0.0002	2.58	0.0097	0.0002	2.58	0.0098	0.0002
2.79	0.0123	0.0003	2.79	0.0123	0.0003	2.80	0.0124	0.0003
3.02	0.0167	0.0004	3.02	0.0166	0.0004	3.03	0.0169	0.0004
3.27	0.0241	0.0005	3.27	0.0241	0.0005	3.28	0.0242	0.0004
3.54	0.0366	0.0006	3.54	0.0366	0.0006	3.56	0.0376	0.0007
3.84	0.0579	0.0009	3.84	0.0583	0.0001	3.85	0.0588	0.0009
4.16	0.0926	0.0012	4.16	0.0929	0.0012	4.16	0.0930	0.0012
4.51	0.1471	0.0019	4.51	0.1475	0.0019	4.52	0.1486	0.0017
4.89	0.2281	0.0027	4.89	0.2284	0.0027	4.90	0.2299	0.0024
5.31	0.3439	0.0036	5.31	0.3447	0.0039	5.32	0.3457	0.0033
5.77	0.5062	0.0051	5.78	0.5070	0.0055	5.78	0.5074	0.0044
6.27	0.7208	0.0072	6.28	0.7225	0.0072	6.28	0.7177	0.0059
6.82	1.0004	0.0098	6.82	0.9989	0.0096	6.83	0.9987	0.0085
7.41	1.3344	0.0114	7.41	1.3392	0.0131	7.41	1.3382	0.0129
8.05	1.7392	0.0154	8.05	1.7429	0.0170	8.06	1.7422	0.0169
8.76	2.2158	0.0200	8.76	2.2215	0.0217	8.76	2.2224	0.0217
9.52	2.7615	0.0258	9.53	2.7608	0.0268	9.53	2.7601	0.0266
10.36	3.3500	0.0324	10.36	3.3548	0.0319	10.36	3.3542	0.0319
11.26	3.9786	0.0389	11.26	3.9749	0.0392	11.27	3.9776	0.0384
12.25	4.6135	0.0462	12.25	4.6138	0.0451	12.25	4.6196	0.0452
13.32	5.2579	0.0529	13.32	5.2562	0.0524	13.32	5.2573	0.0527
14.48	5.8798	0.0598	14.49	5.9095	0.0610	14.50	5.8737	0.0587
15.74	6.5071	0.0670	15.76	6.5207	0.0675	15.78	6.4785	0.0574
17.14	6.9134	0.0114	17.16	6.9102	0.0128	17.17	6.7812	0.0132
18.62	7.4938	0.0122	18.64	7.5036	0.0143	18.68	7.5259	0.0635
20.30	8.1667	0.0173	20.30	8.2270	0.0271	20.32	7.8208	0.0382
22.07	8.9081	0.0196	22.07	8.8544	0.0173	22.12	8.5896	0.0420
24.02	9.6664	0.0163	24.03	9.6696	0.0162	24.04	9.5823	0.0190
26.13	10.6953	0.0188	26.15	10.6894	0.0186	26.15	10.6029	0.0318
28.44	11.9478	0.0216	28.44	11.9868	0.0426	28.45	11.9561	0.0219
30.95	13.4968	0.0265	30.95	13.5651	0.0375	30.95	13.5059	0.0262
33.67	15.4585	0.0314	33.67	15.6108	0.0496	33.68	15.4695	0.0310
36.64	17.8513	0.0376	36.65	17.9522	0.0526	36.65	17.8434	0.0381
39.87	20.8453	0.0443	39.88	20.8375	0.0450	39.88	20.9730	0.0667
43.38	24.4836	0.0534	43.39	24.4936	0.0539	43.40	24.6192	0.0805
47.20	29.0521	0.0639	47.20	29.0571	0.0644	47.24	29.0730	0.0685
51.36	34.8574	0.0782	51.36	34.8503	0.0793	51.41	34.8735	0.0814
55.89	42.6333	0.1011	55.89	42.6257	0.1014	55.96	42.7261	0.1050
60.74	55.1386	0.1802	60.82	55.4469	0.1598	60.83	55.4948	0.1621
66.15	39.6367	0.0897	66.17	39.2105	0.0694	66.19	39.2024	0.0708
72.01	39.9202	0.0927	72.02	39.6035	0.0844	72.03	39.6440	0.0900
78.36	42.4239	0.0941	78.36	42.6452	0.0983	78.38	42.4516	0.0919
85.26	46.6527	0.1250	85.28	46.0886	0.1400	85.30	45.8705	0.1124
92.78	50.3582	0.1149	92.78	50.7406	0.1242	92.79	50.2828	0.1105
100.95	55.0453	0.1216	100.96	54.9349	0.1332	100.96	55.3364	0.1315
109.86	60.1981	0.1551	109.86	60.2876	0.1319	109.87	60.5970	0.1655
119.52	66.1514	0.1697	119.55	66.1321	0.1568	119.56	65.6792	0.1466
130.07	71.6593	0.1634	130.09	71.4437	0.1591	130.09	71.4813	0.1597
141.58	77.2592	0.1710	141.58	77.2863	0.1680	141.59	77.0910	0.1624
154.05	83.0177	0.1707	154.07	83.1261	0.1763	154.10	82.9307	0.1685
167.66	89.3509	0.1988	167.67	89.2028	0.1863	167.70	89.3459	0.1801
182.47	95.8952	0.2188	182.48	95.8418	0.1968	182.51	95.7908	0.1978
198.56	102.1175	0.2127	198.57	102.1106	0.2033	198.58	102.1659	0.2096
216.05	108.5412	0.2241	216.09	108.4266	0.2132	216.10	108.2839	0.2178
235.08	114.6084	0.2075	235.16	114.6105	0.2192	235.17	114.5771	0.2254
255.81	120.8214	0.2208	255.92	120.9454	0.2274	255.92	120.9204	0.2361
278.35	127.8001	0.2539	278.49	127.6240	0.2634	278.50	127.7032	0.2648
302.92	133.1141	0.2400	303.04	133.2912	0.2532	303.05	133.3933	0.2580

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Supplementary Table 1b: PPMS Data								
Natural Olivine Sample C1/NFo90 from Mogok, Myanmar								
Formula Weight 146.441 g/mol								
Sample Weight 30.57 mg								
PPMS-1			PPMS-2			PPMS-3		
T (K)	Cp (J/mol.K)	1 sigma (J/mol.K)	T (K)	Cp (J/mol.K)	1 sigma (J/mol.K)	T (K)	Cp (J/mol.K)	1 sigma (J/mol.K)
2.20	0.3741	0.0010	2.22	0.3746	0.0011	2.22	0.3745	0.0011
2.38	0.3764	0.0009	2.39	0.3763	0.0010	2.39	0.3763	0.0010
2.57	0.3747	0.0008	2.59	0.3744	0.0009	2.59	0.3744	0.0009
2.78	0.3703	0.0007	2.80	0.3700	0.0008	2.80	0.3700	0.0008
3.02	0.3654	0.0007	3.03	0.3649	0.0007	3.03	0.3649	0.0007
3.27	0.3618	0.0008	3.29	0.3601	0.0007	3.29	0.3601	0.0007
3.54	0.3557	0.0007	3.56	0.3554	0.0007	3.56	0.3553	0.0006
3.84	0.3505	0.0006	3.86	0.3504	0.0006	3.86	0.3502	0.0006
4.16	0.3453	0.0006	4.18	0.3449	0.0006	4.18	0.3449	0.0006
4.51	0.3413	0.0006	4.53	0.3407	0.0005	4.53	0.3407	0.0005
4.90	0.3387	0.0006	4.91	0.3390	0.0005	4.92	0.3389	0.0005
5.32	0.3411	0.0006	5.33	0.3411	0.0005	5.33	0.3408	0.0005
5.78	0.3465	0.0006	5.79	0.3454	0.0004	5.79	0.3454	0.0004
6.29	0.3569	0.0006	6.30	0.3566	0.0004	6.31	0.3514	0.0008
6.84	0.3755	0.0005	6.85	0.3759	0.0005	6.85	0.3757	0.0005
7.40	0.3995	0.0006	7.42	0.3998	0.0006	7.42	0.4000	0.0005
8.05	0.4321	0.0007	8.06	0.4324	0.0006	8.07	0.4326	0.0006
8.75	0.4720	0.0008	8.76	0.4726	0.0007	8.77	0.4725	0.0007
9.52	0.5226	0.0009	9.53	0.5226	0.0007	9.53	0.5225	0.0008
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17.15	1.0602	0.0013	17.15	1.0622	0.0017	17.17	1.0612	0.0012
18.64	1.1589	0.0015	18.66	1.1601	0.0015	18.67	1.1667	0.0018
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28.42	1.9476	0.0034	28.44	1.9501	0.0029	28.45	1.9293	0.0053
30.92	2.2617	0.0041	30.95	2.2647	0.0035	30.96	2.2374	0.0065
33.65	2.6820	0.0045	33.67	2.6831	0.0043	33.67	2.6685	0.0066
36.61	3.2347	0.0054	36.63	3.2205	0.0080	36.63	3.2356	0.0052
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43.36	4.9101	0.0080	43.36	4.9457	0.0093	43.37	4.9144	0.0079
47.18	6.1083	0.0101	47.18	6.1577	0.0119	47.19	6.1098	0.0098
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55.85	9.4486	0.0150	55.86	9.5348	0.0187	55.87	9.4500	0.0147
60.77	11.6749	0.0181	60.78	11.7758	0.0222	60.79	11.6727	0.0175
66.13	14.3422	0.0216	66.14	14.4550	0.0267	66.15	14.3345	0.0212
71.96	17.4638	0.0248	71.98	17.5456	0.0290	71.98	17.4479	0.0240
78.29	21.0272	0.0288	78.30	21.0562	0.0333	78.32	21.2053	0.0380
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100.86	34.6914	0.0418	100.88	34.6930	0.0475	100.89	34.8604	0.0474
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129.98	52.3869	0.0580	129.98	52.4046	0.0607	129.98	52.4847	0.0666
141.46	58.9585	0.0647	141.46	59.1419	0.0857	141.47	58.9270	0.0649
153.91	65.7995	0.0726	153.93	65.4681	0.0701	153.93	65.5457	0.0721
167.41	72.6399	0.0770	167.41	72.5775	0.0713	167.46	72.5135	0.0754
182.14	79.7860	0.0871	182.15	79.5801	0.0782	182.20	79.5904	0.0807
198.18	86.6540	0.0858	198.19	86.5538	0.0786	198.20	86.6685	0.0824
215.63	93.6645	0.0874	215.65	93.5563	0.0868	215.65	93.6308	0.0864
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