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Table 1. Mössbauer hyperfine parameters of microbially formed magnetite during lepidocrocite reduction for different times of incubation. Errors on center shift and (CS) quadrupole splitting ( $\Delta$ ) were estimated at  $\pm 0.02$  mm/s. The error on the internal magnetic filled was  $\pm 5$  kOe (H) and 2% for the relative abundance (RA).  $\epsilon$  corresponds to the quadrupole shift.

Days	Magnetite							Lepidocrocite			
	S <sub>A</sub>				S <sub>B</sub>				D		
	CS	3	Н	RA	CS	3	Н	RA	CS	$\bigtriangleup$	RA
	(mm/s)	(mm/s)	(kOe)	(%)	(mm/s)	(mm/s)	(kOe)	(%)	(mm/s)	(mm/s)	(%)
0						· /			0.36	0.57	100
1	0.27	0	481	19	0.67	0	448	31	0.37	0.54	50
2	0.29	0	481	21	0.63	0	447	38	0.37	0.54	41
5	0.29	0	481	22.7	0.63	0	448	48.8	0.38	0.54	28.5
7	0.29	0	480	23.9	0.63	0	447	56.3	0.38	0.54	19.8
9	0.29	0	480	26.2	0.63	0	448	57.2	0.38	0.54	16.6
23	0.29	0	480	30	0.63	0	448	63	0.38	0.54	7
26	0.29	0	480	30.8	0.64	0	448	62.9	0.39	0.54	6.3

<i>D</i> (mm)	Measured $d_{hkl}$ (Å)	Tabulated $d_{hkl}$ (Å) <sup>*</sup>	hkl
10.25	4.83	4.85	111
16.5	3.00	2.97	220
19.5	2.54	2.53	311
23	2.15	2.10	400
28.5	1.74	1.71	422
30.25	1.64	1.61	511
33.0	1.50	1.48	440

Table 2. *dhkl* parameters of magnetite calculated from selected area electron diffraction (SAED) analysis from the present study and compared to literature data

\* Cornell and Schwertmann 1996.



**Supplementary FIGURE 1.** Experimental setup: The MIMOS is a miniaturized Mössbauer spectrometer and the anaerobic incubation cell sample is in contact with the instrument. MIMOS instrument operate in back scattering geometry. A  $Co^{57}$  source irradiates a sample area 10 mm from the detector surface. The Resonant emission and absorption of -rays coming from the sample crosses a mylar window placed on the incubation cell.