

# **Supporting Information for “Calcite dissolution-reprecipitation reactions are a key control on the Sr/Ca, Mg/Ca and $\delta^{88/86}\text{Sr}$ compositions of Himalayan river waters”**

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## **S1. References for Figure 1 (see section S6):**

Hydrothermal:	Pearce et al. (2015); Krabbenhöft et al. (2010); Andrews & Jacobson (2017).
Soils & Plants:	Halicz et al., 2008; de Souza et al. (2010); Bullen and Chadwick (2016).
Silicates:	Moynier et al. (2010); Charlier et al. (2012); Neymark et al. (2014); Pearce et al., (2015); Stevenson et al. (2016); Andrews et al., (2016), Andrews and Jacobson (2017); Andrews & Jacobson (2018); Amsellem et al. (2018); de Souza et al., 2010 Fietzke & Eisenhauer (2006); Halicz et al. (2008); Ohno & Hirata (2008); Rüggeberg et al. (2008); Krabbenhöft et al. (2010); Böhm et al. (2012); Raddatz et al. (2013); Neymark et al. (2014); Stevenson et al. (2014); Vollstaedt et al. (2014); Fruchter et al., (2016, 2017); Alkhatib & Eisenhauer (2017a,b); Liu et al. (2017); Shalev et al. (2017), Voigt et al., (2015).
Carbonates:	
Water:	de Souza et al (2010); Krabbenhöft et al. (2010); Wei et al. (2013); Neymark et al. (2014); Chao et al. (2013, 2015); Pearce et al. (2015); Voigt et al. (2015); Stevenson et al. (2016); Andrews et al. (2016); Fruchter et al. (2016, 2017); Andrews & Jacobson (2017, 2018); Liu et al. (2017); Shalev et al. (2017); Stevenson et al. (2018).

**Table S4** Definition of variables (Subscripts  $cc$  original high Mg, Sr calcite,  $F$  fluid)

Variable	Definition	Units	Value
$Sr_F$	Sr in fluid ( $Sr^0$ is fluid Sr at $x=0$ )	$mmol.m^{-3}$	
$Sr_{CC}$	Sr in calcite	$mmol.m^{-3}$	
$Sr'_F$	Dimensionless Sr in fluid (eq 6)		
$Ca_F$	Ca in fluid ( $Ca^0$ is fluid Ca at $x=0$ )	$mol.m^{-3}$	
$Ca_{CC}$	Ca in calcite	$mol.m^{-3}$	$2 \times 10^4$
$Ca'_F$	Dimensionless Ca in fluid (eq 6)		1
$t$	Time	s	
$x$	distance along flow path ( $x'$ dimensionless distance)	m	
$h$	Flow path length	m	
$\omega_0\phi$	Fluid flux	$m.s^{-1}$	
$K_D^{Sr/Ca}$	Sr/Ca solid/fluid partition coefficient (eq 1)		
$K_D^{Mg/Ca}$	Mg/Ca solid/fluid partition coefficient		
$N_D$	Damköhler Number (water) (Equ. 7)		
$N_D^{rock}$	Damköhler Number (rock) (Equ. 8)		
$RCa$	Rate of Ca exchange between fluid and calcite	$mol.m^{-3}.s^{-1}$	
$1+\epsilon$	Rate of precipitation of Ca relative to dissolution		
$\Gamma$	Sr/Ca ratio of calcite being dissolved	mmol/mol	
$\Gamma'$	Dimensionless Sr/Ca ratio of calcite being dissolved		
$\delta^{88/86}Sr$	$\delta^{88/86}Sr = 10^3 (\delta^{88}Sr_{Samp}/\delta^{88}Sr_{SRM987} - 1)$	%	
$\Delta^{88/86}Sr$	Sr fractionation factor for calcite-water ( $\delta_{calcite} - \delta_{water}$ )	%	
$\delta^{44/40}Ca$	$\delta^{44/40}Ca = 10^3 (\delta^{44}Ca_{Casamp}/\delta^{44}Ca_{SRM915a} - 1)$	%	
$\Delta^{44/40}Ca$	Fractionation factor for calcite-water ( $\delta_{calcite} - \delta_{water}$ )	%	
$X_{wat}^i$	Concentration of cation, $i$ in water	$\mu mol/L$	
$X_j^i$	Concentration of cation, $i$ in phase $j$ (carbonate or silicate)	mol/kg	
$F_j$	Weight of phase $j$ (carbonate or silicate) added to the water	kg/L	
$E_{Sr}$	Enrichment factor for Sr		
$E_{Mg}$	Enrichment factor for Mg		

## S5. Solutions to equations 2 to 5 in the main text

Equation numbers follow from main text. Equation (2) in terms of the dimensionless variables (eq 6) reads

$$\frac{\partial Ca'_F}{\partial x'} = -N_D \cdot \epsilon. \quad (S12)$$

and the solution to equation (S12) is

$$Ca'_F = 1 - N_D \cdot \epsilon \cdot x'. \quad (S13)$$

The solution to equation (3), the variation in Ca-isotopic values with reactive transport with  $Ca_F$  given by

equation (S13), for  $\epsilon=0$  is

$$\delta^{44/40} Ca = (\delta^{44/40} Ca_{CC} - \Delta^{44/40} Ca) - c4 \cdot e^{-N_D \cdot x'} \quad (S14)$$

where

$$c4 = -\Delta^{44/40} Ca, \quad (S15)$$

and the solution when  $\epsilon \neq 0$

$$\delta^{44/40} Ca = (\delta^{44/40} Ca_{CC} - (1 + \epsilon) \cdot \Delta^{44/40} Ca) - c5 \cdot (1 - N_D \cdot \epsilon \cdot x')^{\frac{1}{\epsilon}} \quad (S16)$$

where the integration constant, c5 is given by

$$c5 = -(1 + \epsilon) \cdot \Delta^{44/40} Ca$$

If  $\epsilon=0$ , the solution to equation (4), the variation of Sr concentration with distance, is

$$Sr'_F = \frac{1}{K_D^{Sr/Ca}} \left[ \Gamma' - (\Gamma' - K_D^{Sr/Ca}) \cdot e^{-N_D \cdot K_D^{Sr/Ca} \cdot x'} \right] \quad (S17)$$

where  $\Gamma'$  is the dimensionless Sr/Ca ratio of calcite being dissolved.

If ( $\epsilon \neq 0$ ) the solution to equation (4) is

$$Sr'_F = \frac{\Gamma' (1 - N_D \cdot \epsilon \cdot x')}{{(1 + \epsilon) \cdot K_D^{Sr/Ca} - \epsilon}} + c2 \cdot (1 - N_D \cdot \epsilon \cdot x')^{(1 + \epsilon) \cdot K_D^{Sr/Ca} / \epsilon} \quad (S18)$$

where the integration constant c2 for the boundary conditions  $Ca'_F^0$  and  $Sr'_F^0 = 1$  at  $x'=0$  is given by

$$c2 = 1 - \frac{\Gamma'}{{K_D^{Sr/Ca} \cdot (1 + \epsilon) - \epsilon}}. \quad (S19)$$

\*Note equation numbering continues from the main text.

The analytical solution to equation (5) where  $\delta Sr'_F / \delta x'$  and  $Sr'_F$  are given by equations (4) & (S17) for the case  $\epsilon=0$  is

$$\delta^{88/86} Sr_F = \frac{\left[ \delta^{88/86} Sr_{CC} \cdot \frac{\Gamma'}{K_D^{Sr/Ca}} - N_D \cdot \Delta^{88/86} Sr \cdot \left( \frac{\Gamma'}{N_D \cdot K_D^{Sr/Ca}} - (\Gamma' - K_D^{Sr/Ca}) \cdot x' \cdot e^{-N_D \cdot K_D^{Sr/Ca} \cdot x'} \right) \right]}{\left( \Gamma' / K_D^{Sr/Ca} \right) \cdot \left[ 1 - (1 - K_D^{Sr/Ca} / \Gamma') \cdot e^{-N_D \cdot K_D^{Sr/Ca} \cdot x'} \right]}$$

$$+ \frac{c_3}{1 + \Gamma' / K_D^{Sr/Ca} \cdot (e^{-N_D \cdot K_D^{Sr/Ca} \cdot x'} - 1)} \quad (S20)$$

where the integration constant,  $C3$ , is given by

$$c_3 = \delta^{88/86} Sr_{CC} - \frac{\Gamma'}{K_D^{Sr/Ca}} \cdot [\delta^{88/86} Sr_{CC} - \Delta^{88/86} Sr] \quad (S21)$$

When  $\varepsilon \neq 0$  equation (5) has been solved numerically by finite differencing. The numerical solutions reproduce the analytical solutions (eq S20) as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  and Rayleigh fractionation when  $\varepsilon$  is large.

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