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TABLE 1: Cu k-edge EXAFS fits for Cu adsorbed to humic acid, ferrihydrite and goethite, and ferrihydrite and goethite organo-mineral composites. (Fit to ferrihydrite reproduced from Moon and Peacock, 2012).

(a) EXAFS fits for spectra fit by refinement of a single model cluster

pH	N_O R(Cu-O ₁) $2\sigma^2$ θ, φ	N_O R(Cu-O ₂) $2\sigma^2$ θ, φ	N_O R(Cu-O ₃) $2\sigma^2$ θ, φ	N_O R(Cu-O ₄) $2\sigma^2$ θ, φ	N_O R(Cu-O _{ax}) $2\sigma^2$ θ, φ	N_{Fe} R(Cu-Fe ₁) $2\sigma^2$ θ, φ	N_{Fe} R(Cu-Fe ₂) $2\sigma^2$ θ, φ	N_C R(Cu-C) $2\sigma^2$ θ, φ	N_O R(Cu-O ₅) $2\sigma^2$ θ, φ	EF	R (%)	Fit Index	Reduced χ^2
Humic acid end-member model sample: HA_51wt%C_0.7wt%Cu_pH5													
5.00	1.0 1.96 0.008 90, 0	1.0 1.92 0.011 90, 90	1.0 1.95 0.023 90, 180	1.0 2.00 0.024 90, 270	1.0 2.31 0.019 0, 0	-	-	1.0 2.79 0.023 90, 24	1.0 4.12 0.016 90, 19	-1.79	20.4	0.36	30.3
Ferrihydrite end-member model sample: Fh_0.7wt%Cu_pH6.25													
6.25	1.0 1.91 0.009 90, 0	1.0 1.90 0.007 90, 90	1.0 1.95 0.003 90, 180	1.0 2.03 0.006 90, 270	-	0.8 3.01 0.023 90, 45	-	-	-	-5.49	17.1	0.20	4.35
Goethite end-member model sample: Gt_0.7wt%Cu_pH6													
6.00	1.0 1.89 0.017 90, 0	1.0 1.97 0.005 90, 90	1.0 1.92 0.003 90, 180	1.0 2.00 0.013 90, 270	-	1.0 3.03 0.013 130, 0	1.0 3.28 0.013 130, 90	-	-	5.09	18.7	0.30	25.0
Ferrihydrite organo-mineral composite: Fh_HA_8wt%C_0.7wt%Cu													
4.30	1.0 1.96 0.007 90, 0	1.0 1.93 0.009 90, 90	1.0 2.00 0.019 90, 180	1.0 1.97 0.020 90, 270	1.0 2.35 0.017 0, 0	-	-	1.0 2.79 0.026 90, 24	1.0 4.11 0.020 90, 19	2.16	21.2	0.35	29.8
Ferrihydrite organo-mineral composite: Fh_HA_12wt%C_0.7wt%Cu													
4.30	1.0 1.97 0.005 90, 0	1.0 1.92 0.007 90, 90	1.0 2.00 0.020 90, 180	1.0 1.99 0.020 90, 270	1.0 2.35 0.017 0, 0	-	-	1.0 2.79 0.025 90, 24	1.0 4.11 0.020 90, 21	1.82	21.9	0.35	29.2
Goethite organo-mineral composite: Gt_HA_7wt%C_0.7wt%Cu													
4.30	1.0 1.94 0.005 90, 0	1.0 1.94 0.012 90, 90	1.0 1.99 0.016 90, 180	1.0 1.98 0.015 90, 270	1.0 2.34 0.019 0, 0	-	-	1.0 2.79 0.020 90, 24	1.0 4.11 0.013 90, 19	2.03	22.7	0.38	31.5

N is the number of atoms in a shell. R is the distance of the atom in a shell from the Cu central absorber. σ is the Debye-Waller factor. θ and φ are the spherical coordinates of each atom in a shell. EF is the correction to the Fermi energy value set in ATHENA. Values in italics were held constant during optimisation.

(b) EXAFS fits for ferrihydrite and goethite organo-mineral composites fit by linear combination of two model clusters

pH	N Cu _{mineral}	N Cu _{HA}	EF	R (%)	Fit Index	Reduced Chi ²
Ferrihydrite organo-mineral composite: Fh_HA_8wt%C_0.7wt%Cu						
5.00	0.49±0.09	0.51±0.09	2.41	25.5	0.52	3.13
6.00	0.70±0.12	0.30±0.12	3.71	26.9	0.59	3.51
Ferrihydrite organo-mineral composite: Fh_HA_12wt%C_0.7wt%Cu						
5.00	0.50±0.10	0.50±0.10	1.90	24.7	0.51	3.05
6.00	0.68±0.11	0.32±0.11	2.69	28.1	0.65	3.87
Goethite organo-mineral composite: Gt_HA_7wt%C_0.7wt%Cu						
5.00	0.49±0.10	0.51±0.10	0.07	26.1	0.64	3.80
6.00	0.63±0.10	0.37±0.10	3.46	27.5	0.67	4.03

N Cu_{mineral} is the number of Cu atoms (Cu site occupancy) adsorbed to the ferrihydrite or goethite fraction of the organo-mineral composite via bidentate edge-sharing or corner-sharing complexation, respectively. N Cu_{HA} is the number of Cu atoms (Cu site occupancy) adsorbed to humic acid fraction of the organo-mineral composite. EF is the correction to the Fermi energy value set in ATHENA. In the linear combination analysis, N Cu_{mineral} + N Cu_{HA} was constrained to equal 1.

TABLE 2: Input parameters for the surface complexation models for Cu adsorbed to ferrihydrite (reproduced here from Moon and Peacock, 2013), goethite and humic acid.

Ferrihydrite (reproduced from Moon and Peacock, 2013)		
Surface area (m ² /g) ^a		300
Site density ≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (e) (sites/nm ²) ^b / (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^c		2.5 / 1.25
Site density ≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (c) (sites/nm ²) ^b / (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^c		3.5 / 1.74
Site density ≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} (sites/nm ²) ^b / (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^c		1.2 / 0.598
C _{stern} (F/m ²) ^d		1.10
^e log K _{FeOH(e)}	≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (e) + H ⁺ = ≡FeOH ₂ ^{+0.5} (e)	7.99
^d log K _{FeOH(e)_Na}	≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (e) + Na ⁺ = ≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (e) - - Na ⁺	-1.00
^d log K _{FeOH₂(e)_NO₃}	≡FeOH ₂ ^{+0.5} (e) + NO ₃ ⁻ = ≡FeOH ₂ ^{+0.5} (e) - - NO ₃ ⁻	-1.00
(where equations above are repeated for (≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (c)))		
^e log K _{Fe₃O}	≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} + H ⁺ = ≡Fe ₃ OH ^{+0.5}	7.99
^d log K _{Fe₃O_Na}	≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} + Na ⁺ = ≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} - - Na ⁺	-1.00
^d log K _{Fe₃OH_NO₃}	≡Fe ₃ OH ^{+0.5} + NO ₃ ⁻ = ≡Fe ₃ OH ^{+0.5} - - NO ₃ ⁻	-1.00
Goethite		
Surface area (m ² /g) ^a		103
Site density ≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (sites/nm ²) ^b / (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^c		3.45 / 0.59
Site density ≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} (sites/nm ²) ^b / (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^c		2.70 / 0.46
C _{stern} (F/m ²) ^d		1.00
^e log K _{FeOH}	≡FeOH ^{-0.5} + H ⁺ = ≡FeOH ₂ ^{+0.5}	9.20
^d log K _{FeOH_Na}	≡FeOH ^{-0.5} + Na ⁺ = ≡FeOH ^{-0.5} - - Na ⁺	-1.00
^d log K _{FeOH₂_NO₃}	≡FeOH ₂ ^{+0.5} + NO ₃ ⁻ = ≡FeOH ₂ ^{+0.5} - - NO ₃ ⁻	-1.00
^e log K _{Fe₃O}	≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} + H ⁺ = ≡Fe ₃ OH ^{+0.5}	9.20
^d log K _{Fe₃O_Na}	≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} + Na ⁺ = ≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} - - Na ⁺	-1.00
^d log K _{Fe₃OH_NO₃}	≡Fe ₃ OH ^{+0.5} + NO ₃ ⁻ = ≡Fe ₃ OH ^{+0.5} - - NO ₃ ⁻	-1.00
Humic acid		
Surface area (m ² /g) ^a		200
Site density ≡RCOO ⁻ (sites/nm ²) ^c / (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^d		6.20 / 2.06
Site density ≡RO ⁻ (sites/nm ²) ^c / (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^d		4.49 / 1.49
C _{stern} (F/m ²) ^d		8.00
^d log K _{RCOO}	≡RCOO ⁻ + H ⁺ = ≡RCOOH ⁺	3.67
^d log K _{COO_Na}	≡RCOO ⁻ + Na ⁺ = ≡RCOO ⁻ - - Na ⁺	-1.00
^d log K _{RO}	≡RO ⁻ + H ⁺ = ≡ROH ⁺	7.11
^d log K _{RO_Na}	≡RO ⁻ + Na ⁺ = ≡RO ⁻ - - Na ⁺	-1.00

^aDetermined from BET analysis (Fh and Gt: this study; HA: Bujak et al., 1995). ^bDetermined from a crystallographic consideration of the mineral surface (Fh: Hiemstra and van Riemsdijk, 2009; Gt: Hiemstra and van Riemsdijk, 1996). ^cDetermined using the surface area. ^dDetermined from fitting potentiometric titration data (Fh: Moon and Peacock, 2013; Gt: Otero-Fariña, 2017; HA: López et al., 2012). ^eDetermined according to log K_{group} = pH_{PZC} (Hiemstra et al., 1996).

TABLE 3: Input parameters for the surface complexation models for Cu adsorbed to ferrihydrite and goethite organo-mineral composites.

Organo-mineral composite		Ferrihydrite				
wt% C		2	5	8	12	16
mineral:humic acid % mass ratio		96:4	90:10	84:16	77:23	69:31
Surface area (m ² /g) ^a		296	290	284	277	269
Site density ≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (e) (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^b		1.200	1.125	1.050	0.963	0.863
Site density ≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (c) (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^b		1.670	1.566	1.462	1.340	1.201
Site density ≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^b		0.574	0.538	0.502	0.460	0.413
Site density ≡RCOO ⁻ (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^b		0.082	0.206	0.330	0.474	0.639
Site density ≡RO ⁻ (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^b		0.0560	0.149	0.238	0.343	0.462
C _{stern} (F/m ²) ^c		1.38	1.79	2.20	2.69	3.24
^d log K _{FeOH(e)}	≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (e) + H ⁺ = ≡FeOH ₂ ^{+0.5} (e)	7.99	7.99	7.99	7.99	7.99
^d log K _{FeOH(e)_Na}	≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (e) + Na ⁺ = ≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (e) - - Na ⁺	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00
^d log K _{FeOH2(e)_NO3}	≡FeOH ₂ ^{+0.5} (e) + NO ₃ ⁻ = ≡FeOH ₂ ^{+0.5} (e) - - NO ₃ ⁻	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00
(where equations above are repeated for (≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (c)))						
^d log K _{Fe3O}	≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} + H ⁺ = ≡Fe ₃ OH ^{+0.5}	7.99	7.99	7.99	7.99	7.99
^d log K _{Fe3O_Na}	≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} + Na ⁺ = ≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} - - Na ⁺	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00
^d log K _{Fe3OH_NO3}	≡Fe ₃ OH ^{+0.5} + NO ₃ ⁻ = ≡Fe ₃ OH ^{+0.5} - - NO ₃ ⁻	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00
^d log K _{RCOO}	≡RCOO ⁻ + H ⁺ = ≡RCOOH ⁺	3.67	3.67	3.67	3.67	3.67
^d log K _{RCOO_Na}	≡RCOO ⁻ + Na ⁺ = ≡RCOO ⁻ - - Na ⁺	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00
^d log K _{RO}	≡RO ⁻ + H ⁺ = ≡ROH ⁺	7.11	7.11	7.11	7.11	7.11
^d log K _{RO_Na}	≡RO ⁻ + Na ⁺ = ≡RO ⁻ - - Na ⁺	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00	-1.00
^d log K _{CuFh}	2≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (e) + Cu ⁺² = (≡FeOH(e)) ₂ Cu ⁺	8.61	8.61	8.61	8.61	8.61
^d log K _{CuHA}	≡RCOO ⁻ + Cu ⁺² = ≡RCOOCu ⁺	2.49	2.49	2.49	2.49	2.49
Organo-mineral composite		Goethite				
wt% C		7				
mineral:humic acid % mass ratio		86:14				
Surface area (m ² /g) ^a		116				
Site density ≡FeOH ^{-0.5} (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^b		0.507				
Site density ≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^b		0.396				
Site density ≡RCOO ⁻ (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^b		0.288				
Site density ≡RO ⁻ (mol sites/g x10 ⁻³) ^b		0.209				
C _{stern} (F/m ²) ^c		1.98				
^d log K _{FeOH}	≡FeOH ^{-0.5} + H ⁺ = ≡FeOH ₂ ^{+0.5}	9.20				
^d log K _{FeOH_Na}	≡FeOH ^{-0.5} + Na ⁺ = ≡FeOH ^{-0.5} - - Na ⁺	-1.00				
^d log K _{FeOH2_NO3}	≡FeOH ₂ ^{+0.5} + NO ₃ ⁻ = ≡FeOH ₂ ^{+0.5} - - NO ₃ ⁻	-1.00				
^d log K _{Fe3O}	≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} + H ⁺ = ≡Fe ₃ OH ^{+0.5}	9.20				
^d log K _{Fe3O_Na}	≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} + Na ⁺ = ≡Fe ₃ O ^{-0.5} - - Na ⁺	-1.00				
^d log K _{Fe3OH_NO3}	≡Fe ₃ OH ^{+0.5} + NO ₃ ⁻ = ≡Fe ₃ OH ^{+0.5} - - NO ₃ ⁻	-1.00				
^d log K _{RCOO}	≡RCOO ⁻ + H ⁺ = ≡RCOOH ⁺	3.67				
^d log K _{RCOO_Na}	≡RCOO ⁻ + Na ⁺ = ≡RCOO ⁻ - - Na ⁺	-1.00				

${}^d\log K_{RO}$	$\equiv RO^- + H^+ = \equiv ROH^+$	7.11
${}^d\log K_{RO_Na}$	$\equiv RO^- + Na^+ = \equiv RO^- - - Na^+$	-1.00
${}^d\log K_{CuGt}$	$2\equiv FeOH^{-0.5} + Cu^{+2} = (\equiv FeOH)_2Cu^+$	12.93
${}^d\log K_{CuHA}$	$\equiv RCOO^- + Cu^{+2} = \equiv RCOOCu^+$	2.49

^aCalculated using the surface areas of the end-member mineral and humic acid weighted to the mineral:humic acid mass ratio of each composite. ^bCalculated using the surface site densities of the end-member mineral and humic acid weighted to the mineral:humic acid mass ratio of each composite. ^cCalculated using the C_{stem} values of the end-member mineral and humic acid weighted to the mineral:humic acid mass ratio of each composite. ^dFixed at those determined for the end-member ferrihydrite (Moon and Peacock, 2013), goethite and humic acid (both this study).

TABLE 4: Distribution of adsorbed Cu between the iron (hydr)oxide and humic acid fractions in the ferrihydrite and goethite organo-mineral composites predicted from the surface complexation model and obtained by EXAFS.

Organo-mineral composite	pH	Distribution of Cu between iron (hydr)oxide and humic acid					
		End-member model fit		Optimised model fit		EXAFS	
		logK _{CuHA} 2.49	logK _{CuFh} 8.61	logK _{CuHA} 3.31	logK _{CuFh} 9.27		
		% HA	% Fh	% HA	% Fh	% HA	% Fh
Fh_HA_8wt%C_0.7wt%Cu	4.3	75	25	90	10	100	0
	5.0	34	66	54	46	51±9	49±9
	6.0	7	93	20	80	30±12	70±12
Fh_HA_12wt%C_0.7wt%Cu	4.3	90	10	88	12	100	0
	5.0	69	31	55	45	50±10	50±10
	6.0	23	77	22	78	32±11	68±11
		logK _{CuHA} 2.49	logK _{CuGt} 12.93	logK _{CuHA} 4.86	logK _{CuGt} 12.10		
		% HA	% Gt	% HA	% Gt	% HA	% Gt
Gt_HA_7wt%C_0.7wt%Cu	4.3	20	80	97	3	100	0
	5.0	12	88	78	22	51±10	49±10
	6.0	3	97	46	54	37±10	63±10