# **Supplementary Information**

Formation of  $CaUO_2(CO_3)_3^{2-}$  and  $Ca_2UO_2(CO_3)_3$ (aq.) Complexes at

Variable Temperatures (10 – 70 °C)

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Tomporature (°C)	Slo	ope
Temperature (°C)	X <sub>1</sub>	X <sub>2</sub>
10	0.92 ± 0.09	2.39 ± 0.21
25	0.83 ± 0.04	$2.06 \pm 0.15$
40	0.94 ± 0.08	$2.23 \pm 0.10$
55	0.84 ± 0.15	$2.10 \pm 0.19$
70	-	2.27 ± 0.16

**Table S1.** The stoichiometric number of calcium in complexation with  $UO_2(CO_3)_3^{4-}$  obtainedfrom the TRLFS slope analysis in triplicate.

lon	Dof			
1011	Na⁺	Cl-	CIO <sub>4</sub> -	Rel.
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	-	$0.14 \pm 0.01$	0.27 ± 0.03	NEA-TDB <sup>1</sup>
UO <sub>2</sub> (CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> <sup>4-</sup>	$-0.01 \pm 0.11$	-	-	NEA-TDB <sup>1</sup>
CaUO <sub>2</sub> (CO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	$-0.1 \pm 0.1$	-	-	PSI/Nagra TDB <sup>2</sup>
$Ca_2UO_2(CO_3)_3(aq)$	-0.06 ± 0.0	-	-	NEA-TDB <sup>1</sup> , This work

**Table S2.** Ion interaction parameter  $\varepsilon$  (j,k) (j: ion, k: medium) for SIT correction.

Note that no change in ion interaction parameter in the temperature range of interest  $(10 - 70 \degree C)$  in this work was assumed as discussed in database<sup>1</sup>.

Temperature (°C)	A (kg·mol⁻¹)¹/²	D	Ref.
10	0.498	0.107	NEA-TDB <sup>1</sup>
25	0.509	0.109	NEA-TDB <sup>1</sup>
40	0.525	0.113	NEA-TDB <sup>1</sup>
55	0.540	0.116	Obtained from interpolation of data <sup>1</sup>
70	0.558	0.120	Obtained from interpolation of data <sup>1</sup>

**Table S3.** Debye-Hückel constant A and Debye-Hückel term for SIT at 10, 25, 40, 55, and 70 °C.

Note that  $Ba_j = 1.5 \text{ kg}^{1/2} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1/2}$  was assumed to be identical in the temperature range of interest (10 – 70 °C) in this work as discussed in database<sup>1</sup>.

Reactions	log K°	Δ <sub>r</sub> H° <sub>m</sub> (kJ/mol)	Ref.
$H_2O(I) \rightleftharpoons H^+ + OH^-$	-13.997	55.81	NIST 46.7
$H^+ + CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons HCO_3^{}$	10.33	-14.7	[PAT/MES84] <sup>3</sup>
$2H^+ + CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons CO_2(aq) + H_2O(I)$	16.68	-23.8	[PAT/MES84] <sup>3</sup> [PAT/MES82] <sup>4</sup>
$Ca^{2+} + CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons CaCO_3(aq)$	3.22	15	[PLU/BUS82] <sup>5</sup> , SUPCRT <sup>6</sup> ,
$Ca^{2+} + H^+ + CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons CaHCO_3^+$	1.11	-3.66	[PLU/BUS82] <sup>5</sup> , SUPCRT <sup>6</sup> ,
$Ca^{2+} + OH^- \rightleftharpoons CaOH^+$	-12.70	Not used	NIST 46.7
$UO_2^{2+} + 2CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons UO_2(CO_3)_2^{2-}$	16.61	18.5	NEA-TDB <sup>1</sup>
$UO_2^{2+} + 3CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons UO_2(CO_3)_3^{4-}$	21.84	- 39.2	NEA-TDB <sup>1</sup>

Table S4. Thermodynamic data of relevant reactions used in TRLFS and calorimetry analysis.



**Figure S1.** Representative UV/Vis spectrophotometry obtained from experiment with LWCC. Comparison of observed and calculated intensities at 448 nm (left) and U(VI) speciation during titration (right).



**Figure S2.** Representative calorimetric titration at 25 °C (PEAQ-ITC). Thermogram of a calorimetric titration (left) and measured and calculated cumulative heats (right).

Table S5.	Comparison	of reaction	enthalpies r	neasured by	/ TAM-III (	TA instrument	) and PEAQ-
ITC (Malv	vern)						

Deactions	Δ <sub>r</sub> H° <sub>m</sub> (kJ/mol)			
Reactions	TAM-III	PEAQ-ITC		
$Ca^{2+} + UO_2(CO_3)_3^{4-}  \leftrightarrows  CaUO_2(CO_3)_3^{2-}$	– 1.2 ± 0.3	- 1.2 ± 0.3		
$Ca^{2+} + CaUO_2(CO_3)_3^{2-}  \leftrightarrows  Ca_2UO_2(CO_3)_3(aq)$	- 3.5 ± 1.4	$-0.2 \pm 1.3$		

#### **Calculation of reaction enthalpy**

In this work, reaction enthalpy was calculated by the error minimization between the measured heat and the calculated heat. The method of least square was used for the error minimization. The measured heat in *i*th addition  $(Q_{ex,i})$  from the main titration was corrected by the dilution heat in *i*th addition  $(Q_{dil,i})$  from a separated titration run to obtain the net heat from reactions of interest  $(Q_{net,i} = Q_{ex,i} - Q_{dil,i})$ . The calculated heat in *i*th addition  $(Q_{cal,i})$  was obtained by the formation constants corrected by SIT and enthalpies of relevant chemical reaction (Table S5) as shown in eq S1:

 $Q_i(cal.)$ 

$$= \Delta H_{013} \left( v_{i}^{013} - v_{i-1}^{013} \right) + \Delta H_{113} \left( v_{i}^{113} - v_{i-1}^{113} \right) + \Delta H_{213} \left( v_{i}^{213} - v_{i-1}^{213} \right)$$
(S1)

### Modification to isoelectric reaction

For the constant reaction enthalpy approximation, the original reactions of (i) and (ii) were modified to the isoelectric reactions, in which the total amount of positive charges among the reactants is equal to that among the products and the same condition is applied to the negative charge. In case of the isoelectric reaction, the electrostatic contribution to the temperature can be canceled out and the change in heat capacity of reaction can be assumed to be negligible<sup>1</sup>. For the modification, the subtraction or/and addition of relevant reaction equations are required as follows:

$$\begin{array}{c} Ca^{2\,+} + UO_{2}^{2\,+} + 3CO_{3}^{2\,-} \rightarrow CaUO_{2}(CO_{3})_{3}^{2\,-} \\ +2 \times & CO_{2}(aq) + H_{2}O(l) \rightarrow CO_{3}^{2\,-} + 2H^{+} \\ \hline Ca^{2\,+} + UO_{2}^{2\,+} + 2CO_{2}(aq) + CO_{3}^{2\,-} + 2H_{2}O(l) \rightarrow CaUO_{2}(CO_{3})_{3}^{2\,-} + 4H^{+} \end{array}$$

Likewise,

$$2Ca^{2+} + UO_{2}^{2+} + 3CO_{3}^{2-} \rightarrow Ca_{2}UO_{2}(CO3)_{3}(aq)$$

$$+3 \times \qquad CO_{2}(aq) + H_{2}O(l) \rightarrow CO_{3}^{2-} + 2H^{+}$$

$$2Ca^{2+} + UO_{2}^{2+} + 3CO_{2}(aq) + 3H_{2}O(l) \rightarrow Ca_{2}UO_{2}(CO_{3})_{3}(aq) + 6H^{+}$$

Thermodynamic data for the modification are presented in Table S6.

Table S6.	Thermodynamic	data of	relevant	reactions	used i	in the	modification	to	isoelectric
reaction.									

Reactions	log K°	Δ <sub>r</sub> H° <sub>m</sub> (kJ/mol)	Ref.
$H^+ + CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons HCO_3^{-1}$	10.33	- 14.7	[PAT/MES84] <sup>3</sup>
$2H^+ + CO_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons CO_2(aq) + H_2O(I)$	16.68	- 23.8	[PAT/MES84] <sup>3</sup> [PAT/MES82] <sup>4</sup>
$UO_2^{2+} + 3CO_3^{2-} \rightleftarrows UO_2(CO_3)_3^{4-}$	21.84	- 39.2	NEA-TDB <sup>1</sup>
$Ca^{2+} + UO_2(CO_3)_3^{4-} \rightleftharpoons CaUO_2(CO_3)_3^{2-}$	5.18	- 1.2	This work
$Ca^{2+} + CaUO_2(CO_3)_3^{2-} \rightleftharpoons Ca_2UO_2(CO_3)_3(aq)$	3.52	- 0.5	This work



**Figure S3.** Van't Hoff equation (left) and DQUANT<sup>7</sup> (right) approximations.

## Uranium(VI) speciation at 70 °C

The U(VI) speciation was carried out using PHREEQC<sup>8</sup>. The formation constants (log K°) and the molar reaction enthalpies ( $\Delta_r$ H°<sub>m</sub>) for U(VI) hydrolysis and UO<sub>2</sub>(CO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>x</sub><sup>2-2x</sup> (x = 1, 2, and 3) at 25 °C were obtained from NEATDB<sup>1</sup>. log K° and  $\Delta_r$ H°<sub>m</sub> of CaUO<sub>2</sub>(CO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup> and Ca<sub>2</sub>UO<sub>2</sub>(CO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>(aq) at 25 °C determined in this work were used. log K° and  $\Delta_r$ H°<sub>m</sub> of other relevant reactions were obtained at 25 °C from the database 'sit.dat' of PHREEQC<sup>8</sup>.

Hydrolysis constants were corrected to the values at 70 °C based on the van't Hoff equation. Approximation of the van't Hoff equation for U(VI) hydrolysis showed an excellent agreement in previous work<sup>9</sup>. log K° of UO<sub>2</sub>(CO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>x</sub><sup>2-2x</sup> (x= 1,2 and 3) and Ca<sub>y</sub>UO<sub>2</sub>(CO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub><sup>2-2y</sup> (y =1 and 2) were corrected to the values at 70 °C based on the constant reaction enthalpy approximation via the modification to isoelectric reactions (as described above) and introduced to database in expressions as follows:

$$\log K(T) = \frac{p_1}{T} + p_2 \cdot \log (T) + p_3 \cdot T + \frac{p_4}{T^2} + p_5$$

	$Ca^{2+} + UO_2(CO_3)_3^{4-} \rightleftharpoons CaUO_2(CO_3)_3^{2-}$	$2Ca^{2+} + UO_2(CO_3)_3^{4-} \rightleftharpoons Ca_2UO_2(CO_3)_3(aq)$
<i>p</i> <sub>1</sub>	- 27723	- 55483
<i>p</i> <sub>2</sub>	- 157.79	- 315.59
<i>p</i> <sub>3</sub>	0.08394	0.16788
<i>p</i> <sub>4</sub>	2.2087×10 <sup>6</sup>	4.4174×10 <sup>6</sup>
<b>p</b> <sub>5</sub>	4.3874×10 <sup>2</sup>	8.7593×10 <sup>2</sup>

Table S7. Expressions for log K° (T) based on the constant enthalpy approximation

log K° of other relevant reactions were corrected to the values at 70 °C based on the van't Hoff equation.

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