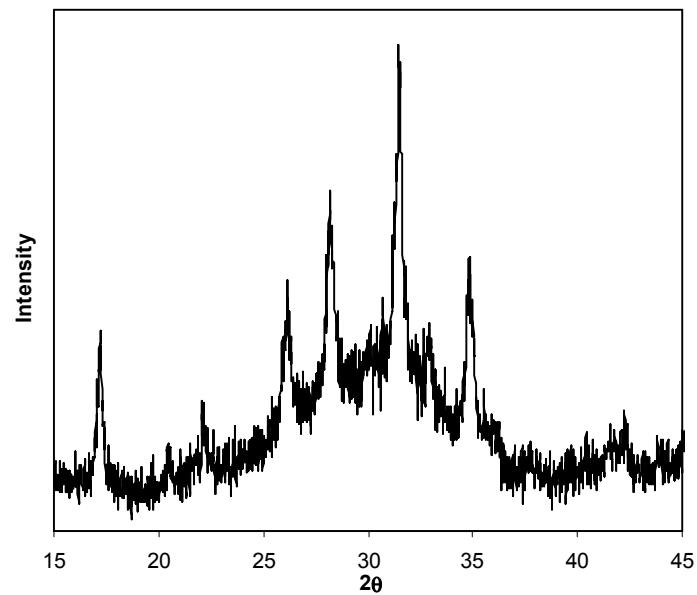


Sample ID	Mg (wt%)	Molarity x 10 <sup>-3</sup>		Mass in 100ml solution/g	
		Calcium	Magnesium	Calcium	Magnesium
0.5Mg-CaP	0.5	81.8	1.7	1.93	0.04
1Mg-CaP	1	80.1	3.4	1.89	0.09
1.5Mg-CaP	1.5	78.4	5.1	1.85	0.13
2Mg-CaP	2	76.6	6.9	1.81	0.18
4Mg-CaP	4	70.0	13.5	1.65	0.35
6Mg-CaP	6	63.6	19.9	1.50	0.51
8Mg-CaP	8	57.3	26.2	1.35	0.67
10Mg-CaP	10	51.1	32.4	1.21	0.83
12Mg-CaP	12	45.1	38.4	1.07	0.99
14Mg-CaP	14	39.2	44.3	0.93	1.14
MgP	28.7	0	83.5	0	2.14

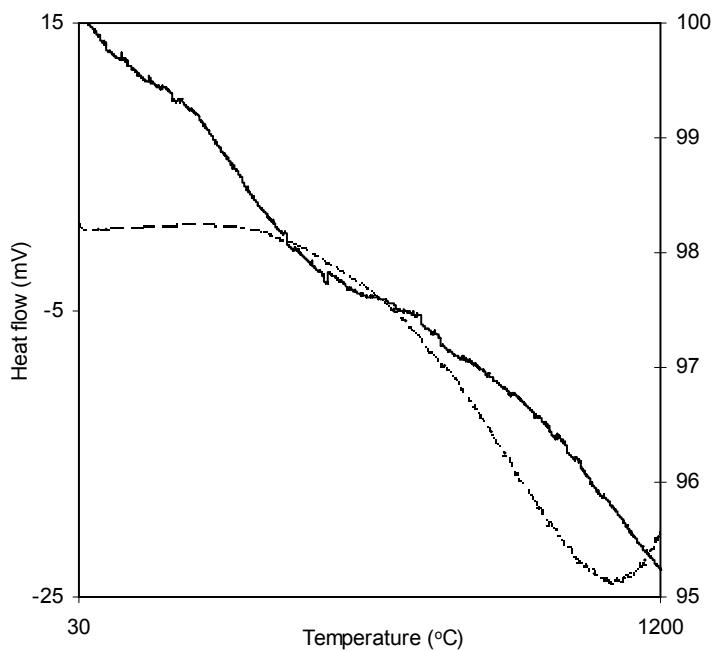
**Supplementary Table 1.** Sample identification, amount of calcium nitrate and magnesium nitrate used for making solutions. The wt% of magnesium is calculated assuming a formula of  $\text{Ca}_{10-x}\text{Mg}_x(\text{PO}_4)_6(\text{OH})_2$ . The sample labeled as MgP represents a powder made using magnesium nitrate and no calcium nitrate.

Sample ID	Yield (g) per 100ml solution	Yield (%)
0.5Mg-CaP	0.73	87
1Mg-CaP	0.73	88
1.5Mg-CaP	0.71	84
2Mg-CaP	0.44	58
4Mg-CaP	0.45	66
6Mg-CaP	0.45	66
8Mg-CaP	0.63	93
10Mg-CaP	0.70	99
12Mg-CaP	0.66	97
14Mg-CaP	0.65	96
MgP	0.62	99

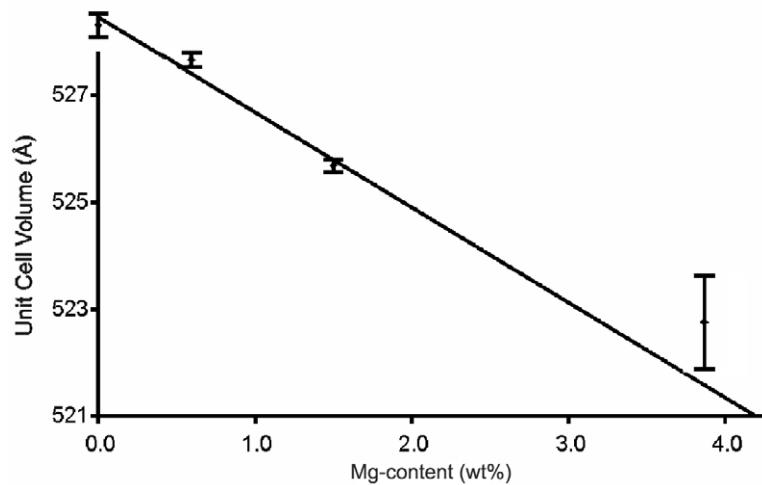
**Supplementary Table 2.** Yields of product obtained in the continuous hydrothermal flow synthesis system using a superheated water feed at 400 °C and 24 MPa. Yields were calculated using the formula  $\text{Ca}_{10}(\text{PO}_4)_6(\text{OH})_2$  for samples 0.5Mg-CaP, 1.0Mg-CaP and 1.5Mg-CaP. The remaining yields except that for MgP, were calculated using the formula  $\text{Ca}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$ . MgP yield was calculated on the basis of the formula  $\text{Mg}_2\text{P}_2\text{O}_7$ .



**Supplementary Figure 1.** X-Ray powder diffraction patterns of sample 10Mg-CaP made in a continuous hydrothermal flow synthesis system using a superheated water feed at 450 °C and 24 MPa (with a band heater at 450 °C).



**Supplementary Figure 2.** Thermogravimetric analysis and differential scanning calorimetry plots in the range 30 – 1200 °C (in air) for sample 0.5Mg-CaP



**Supplementary Figure 3.** Plot of magnesium content (measured using EDS) against the refined unit cell volume of hydroxyapatite. The linear fit shown is weighted according to the errors on the refined parameters.