

# **Supplementary Material**

## **Distribution of Fe isotopes in particles and colloids in the salinity gradient along the Lena River plume, Laptev Sea**

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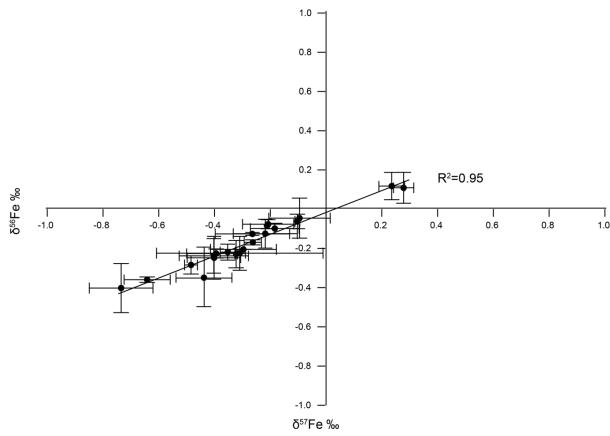
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**Figure S1:** Three-isotope plot of all analyzed samples normalized to IRMM-14. The correlation between  $\delta^{56}\text{Fe}$  and  $\delta^{57}\text{Fe}$  is consistent and shows the mass-dependent fractionation between Fe isotopes. Uncertainties are reported in  $2\sigma$ .

**Table S2: Sampling station information and organic carbon concentrations.**

| Station | Location                          | Latitude<br>dec. | Longitude<br>dec. | Date       | Station<br>depth<br>m | Salinity<br>CTD | Pot.Temp<br>DegC | POC<br>µM | DOC<br>µM | TOC<br>µM |
|---------|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| YS-128  | Lena transect; Laptev Sea         | 76.987           | 130.356           | 2008-09-17 | 51                    | 20.66           | -1.43            | -         | -         | -         |
| YS-4    | Lena transect                     | 75.987           | 129.984           | 2008-08-23 | 44                    | 11.45           | -1.54            | 8         | 320       | -         |
| YS-5    | Lena transect                     | 75.266           | 130.017           | 2008-08-24 | 42                    | 7.03            | -1.56            | 12        | 430       | 500       |
| YS-6    | Lena transect                     | 74.724           | 130.016           | 2008-08-24 | 32                    | 5.23            | -1.61            | 13        | 440       | 540       |
| YS-7    | Lena transect                     | 74.132           | 130.000           | 2008-08-24 | 16                    | 6.32            | -1.26            | 11        | 430       | 450       |
| YS-8    | Lena transect                     | 73.566           | 130.008           | 2008-08-24 | 13                    | 5.34            | -0.78            | 15        | 390       | -         |
| YS-9    | Lena transect                     | 73.366           | 129.997           | 2008-08-25 | 23                    | 8.47            | -1.13            | 11        | 400       | 440       |
| YS-10   | Lena transect                     | 73.184           | 129.996           | 2008-08-25 | 20                    | 3.78            | -0.89            | 36        | 410       | 440       |
| YS-11   | Lena transect                     | 73.019           | 129.989           | 2008-08-25 | 11                    | 2.67            | -0.32            | 53        | 430       | 470       |
| YS-14   | Lena transect; Mohtaba Island     | 71.630           | 130.050           | 2008-08-27 | 8                     | 1.28            | 11.14            | 89        | 440       | 480       |
| YS-2    | Mouth of Ob estuary               | 73.405           | 72.995            | 2008-08-19 | 30                    | 7.85            | -1.09            | 20        | 540       | -         |
| YS-3    | Mouth of Yenisey, close to Dikson | 73.492           | 79.885            | 2008-08-19 | 35                    | 5.54            | -1.06            | -         | -         | -         |
| YS-13   | Borkaya Gulf Transect             | 71.968           | 131.701           | 2008-08-26 | 21                    | 3.79            | -1.03            | 10        | 450       | -         |
| YS-26   | Erosion macro station             | 72.460           | 150.596           | 2008-08-31 | 16                    | 19.18           | -0.72            | 5         | 180       | -         |
| YS-28   | Erosion station-towards Indigirka | 72.651           | 154.185           | 2008-09-01 | 28                    | 19.73           | -0.86            | 4         | 94        | -         |
| YS-30   | Indigirka plume                   | 71.358           | 152.153           | 2008-09-01 | 9                     | 19.31           | 1.19             | 13        | 200       | -         |
| YS-39   | Kolyma transect-coring, grab, CTD | 71.217           | 169.347           | 2008-09-04 | 44                    | 27.56           | -1.64            | 5         | 46        | -         |

**Table S3: Iron concentrations of the different fractions for the Lena River freshwater plume.**

| Station | Location                      | Truly dissolved   |                 |    | Total<br>μM | pFe/cFe<br>mol ratio |
|---------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----|-------------|----------------------|
|         |                               | Particulate<br>μM | Colloidal<br>μM | nM |             |                      |
| YS-128  | Lena transect; Laptev Sea     | 0.1               | 0.1             | 8  | 0.2         | 1                    |
| YS-4    | Lena transect                 | 0.5               | 0.3             | 7  | 0.8         | 2                    |
| YS-5    | Lena transect                 | -                 | -               | -  | -           | -                    |
| YS-6    | Lena transect                 | 0.7               | 0.6             | -  | 1.3         | 1                    |
| YS-7    | Lena transect                 | -                 | -               | -  | -           | -                    |
| YS-8    | Lena transect                 | 0.9               | 0.8             | -  | 1.7         | 1                    |
| YS-9    | Lena transect                 | -                 | -               | -  | -           | -                    |
| YS-10   | Lena transect                 | -                 | -               | -  | -           | -                    |
| YS-11   | Lena transect                 | 34.0              | 0.6             | 9  | 35.0        | 56                   |
| YS-14   | Lena transect; Mohtaba Island | 56.0              | 0.6             | 1  | 57.0        | 90                   |

Total Fe is calculated as a sum of particulate, colloidal, and truly dissolved Fe

**Table S4: Iron isotope values for the different fractions.**

| Particulate >0.22μm |                           |                 |                           |                 |                           |                 |
|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Station             | $\delta^{56/54}\text{Fe}$ | 2σ              | $\delta^{57/54}\text{Fe}$ | 2σ              | $\delta^{57/56}\text{Fe}$ | 2σ              |
|                     | % <sub>oo</sub>           | % <sub>oo</sub> | % <sub>oo</sub>           | % <sub>oo</sub> | % <sub>oo</sub>           | % <sub>oo</sub> |
| YS-128              | -0.289                    | 0.050           | -0.487                    | 0.024           | -0.168                    | 0.058           |
| YS-4                | -0.406                    | 0.126           | -0.735                    | 0.114           | -0.196                    | 0.170           |
| YS-6                | -0.360                    | 0.014           | -0.644                    | 0.082           | -0.191                    | 0.078           |
| YS-8                | -0.130                    | 0.008           | -0.266                    | 0.136           | -0.094                    | 0.140           |
| YS-11               | -0.067                    | 0.040           | -0.106                    | 0.008           | -0.035                    | 0.050           |
| YS-14               | -0.048                    | 0.106           | -0.097                    | 0.114           | -0.051                    | 0.098           |

| Colloidal 1kDa-0.22μm |                           |                 |                           |                 |                           |                 |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Station               | $\delta^{56/54}\text{Fe}$ | 2σ              | $\delta^{57/54}\text{Fe}$ | 2σ              | $\delta^{57/56}\text{Fe}$ | 2σ              |
|                       | % <sub>oo</sub>           | % <sub>oo</sub> | % <sub>oo</sub>           | % <sub>oo</sub> | % <sub>oo</sub>           | % <sub>oo</sub> |
| YS-128                | 0.112                     | 0.069           | 0.233                     | 0.050           | 0.106                     | 0.094           |
| YS-4                  | 0.102                     | 0.079           | 0.277                     | 0.038           | 0.098                     | 0.136           |
| YS-11                 | -0.227                    | 0.089           | -0.312                    | 0.298           | -0.084                    | 0.204           |
| YS-14                 | -0.171                    | 0.015           | -0.267                    | 0.030           | -0.120                    | 0.084           |

| Surface Sediment |                           |                 |                           |                 |                           |                 |
|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Station          | $\delta^{56/54}\text{Fe}$ | 2σ              | $\delta^{57/54}\text{Fe}$ | 2σ              | $\delta^{57/56}\text{Fe}$ | 2σ              |
|                  | % <sub>oo</sub>           | % <sub>oo</sub> | % <sub>oo</sub>           | % <sub>oo</sub> | % <sub>oo</sub>           | % <sub>oo</sub> |
| YS-13            | -0.233                    | 0.070           | -0.324                    | 0.006           | -0.093                    | 0.006           |
| YS-4             | -0.220                    | 0.040           | -0.355                    | 0.028           | -0.125                    | 0.028           |
| YS-26            | -0.209                    | 0.002           | -0.298                    | 0.116           | -0.082                    | 0.156           |
| YS-14            | -0.250                    | 0.110           | -0.404                    | 0.100           | -0.014                    | 0.100           |
| YS-2             | -0.351                    | 0.150           | -0.439                    | 0.102           | -0.177                    | 0.098           |
| YS-3             | -0.230                    | 0.024           | -0.396                    | 0.106           | -0.152                    | 0.106           |
| YS-11            | -0.083                    | 0.022           | -0.209                    | 0.094           | -0.067                    | 0.078           |
| YS-28            | -0.131                    | 0.074           | -0.220                    | 0.118           | -0.071                    | 0.082           |
| YS-30            | -0.102                    | 0.028           | -0.185                    | 0.088           | -0.073                    | 0.084           |
| YS-39            | -0.241                    | 0.086           | -0.403                    | 0.124           | -0.138                    | 0.064           |