## Factors controlling the oxygen isotopic composition of

#### lacustrine authigenic carbonates: Implications for

#### paleoclimate reconstructions

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**Supplementary Figure S1.** XRD diffractograms of the major minerals in the lacustrine authigenic carbonate samples collected from thirty-three lakes in this study.



**Supplementary Figure S2.** Relationship between experimental  $1000\ln\alpha_{(carb - water)}$  values and expected equilibrium  $1000\ln\alpha_{(DIC - H_2O)}$  values. Points are data for thirty-three samples in this study. Black points indicate to water temperatures recorded by onsite water temperature loggers (T<sub>LMSW</sub>). Blue points indicate Calculated Mean Summer Water Temperature (T<sub>CMSW</sub>) for sites without data loggers, as described in the methods. Both datasets show similar results. Dashed line represents 1:1 (i.e. no difference) relationship.



**Supplementary Figure S3.** Relationship between water pH and 1000ln $\alpha$  based on the model from Watkins *et al.*<sup>[1]</sup>. Black points refer to water temperatures directly recorded by on-site water temperature loggers (T<sub>LMSW</sub>). Blue points refer to water temperatures for sites without data loggers and are calculated using the equation (1) and are reported as Calculated Mean Summer Water Temperature (T<sub>CMSW</sub>). The blue dashed lines show the 1000ln $\alpha$ (DIC – water) values of DIC species as a function of pH, calculated for pH values at a temperature of 9.8 °C (minimum water temperature in our study) and a temperature of 25.6 °C (maximum water temperature in our study), respectively, and using published fractionation factors<sup>[2]</sup>. The black dashed lines show 1000ln $\alpha$ (calcite – water) values of calcite grown at different pH, at temperatures of 9.8 and 25.6 °C, respectively<sup>[1]</sup>. The shaded area represents the range of 'permissible' 1000ln $\alpha$ (calcite – water) for calcite growth following the pH-dependent model established by Watkins *et al.*<sup>[1]</sup>. If water pH dominates the oxygen isotope fractionation between carbonate and water, most of our data points should fall in the shaded areas.



**Supplementary Figure S4.** Boosted regression tree (BRT) partial dependence plots showing the effect of (a)  $\delta^{18}O_{water}$  on  $\delta^{18}O_{carb}$ ; (b) pH on  $\delta^{18}O_{carb}$ ; (c) T<sub>water</sub> on  $\delta^{18}O_{carb}$ . Y axes are centered to have zero mean over the data distribution. The relative influence for each predictor variable is listed on the top of each graph.

| No. | Lake Name        | Latitude<br>(°N) | Longitude<br>(°E) | Elevation<br>(m) | Area<br>(km²) | Depth <sup>*</sup><br>(m) | Logged<br>Mean<br>Summer<br>Water<br>Temperature<br>(TLNSW) (°C) | s.e.m.<br>(1σ) | Midday<br>Temporal<br>Water<br>Temperature<br>(T <sub>MTW</sub> ) (°C) | s.e.m.<br>(1σ) | Calculated<br>Mean<br>Summer<br>Water<br>Temperature<br>(TCMSW) (°C) |
|-----|------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------------------|--|----------------|--|----------------|--|
| 1   | Pipahai Lake     | 38.85            | 112.21            | 1770             | 0.4           | 3                         | _  | _              | 20.00  | 0.5            | 19.30  |
| 2   | Daihai Lake      | 40.59            | 112.69            | 1218             | 86.8          | 7.9                       | 23.86  | 0.2            | 22.50  | 0.5            | —  |
| 3   | Chagan Lake      | 43.44            | 115.01            | 1021             | 109           | 2.7                       | _  | _              | 24.00  | 0.5            | 24.04  |
| 4   | Dali Lake        | 43.26            | 116.51            | 1228             | 189           | 8.8                       | _  | _              | 23.50  | 0.5            | 23.45  |
| 5   | Gahai Lake       | 37.02            | 100.57            | 3192             | 45.7          | 8.8                       | 15.76  | 0.2            | 18.00  | 0.5            | —  |
| 6   | Qinghai Lake     | 36.60            | 100.65            | 3196             | 4254          | 25                        | _  | _              | 20.00  | 0.5            | 19.30  |
| 7   | Kuhai Lake       | 35.33            | 99.19             | 4133             | 49            | 10.2                      | 12.46  | 0.2            | 14.00  | 0.5            | —  |
| 8   | Eling Lake       | 35.04            | 97.73             | 4272             | 628           | 30                        | _  | _              | 15.50  | 0.5            | 13.96  |
| 9   | Zhaling Lake     | 35.01            | 97.35             | 4298             | 517           | 8.8                       | _  | _              | 18.00  | 0.5            | 16.93  |
| 10  | Xingxinghai Lake | 34.86            | 98.12             | 4224             | 26.2          | 9.7                       | —  | _              | 17.00  | 0.5            | 15.74  |
| 11  | Koucha Lake      | 34.01            | 97.24             | 4537             | 17.5          | 6.8                       | 12.46  | 0.2            | 16.00  | 0.5            | —  |
| 12  | Donggi Cona Lake | 35.28            | 98.67             | 4092             | 230           | 29                        | 11.34  | 0.2            | 12.00  | 0.5            | —  |
| 13  | Jinzihai Lake    | 36.72            | 97.88             | 2985             | 0.5           | 9.1                       | 17.40  | 0.2            | 18.00  | 0.5            | —  |
| 14  | Gahai Lake2      | 37.12            | 97.56             | 2859             | 37            | 10.2                      | 18.35  | 0.2            | 19.50  | 0.5            | —  |
| 15  | Tuosu Lake       | 37.16            | 96.98             | 2804             | 168           | 14.1                      | 17.65  | 0.2            | 19.00  | 0.5            | —  |
| 16  | Hurleg Lake      | 37.29            | 96.91             | 2832             | 58.6          | 3.6                       | —  | —              | 20.00  | 0.5            | 19.30  |
| 17  | Hala Lake        | 38.24            | 97.61             | 4081             | 625           | 30.2                      | —  | —              | 15.50  | 0.5            | 13.96  |
| 18  | Cuona Lake       | 31.95            | 91.46             | 4592             | 400           | 20.4                      | _  | —              | 17.00  | 0.5            | 15.74  |
| 19  | Pung Co          | 31.50            | 91.00             | 4540             | 136           | 16.5                      | _  | —              | 17.00  | 0.5            | 15.74  |
| 20  | Jiang Co         | 31.53            | 90.81             | 4616             | 36.1          | 18.9                      | 13.09  | 0.2            | 14.50  | 0.5            | _  |
| 21  | Bam Co           | 31.17            | 90.54             | 4575             | 180           | 70.8                      | 12.04  | 0.2            | 13.50  | 0.5            | _  |
| 22  | Shen Co          | 31.01            | 90.51             | 4744             | 43.3          | 5.6                       | _  | —              | 14.00  | 0.5            | 12.18  |
| 23  | Selin Co         | 31.57            | 89.11             | 4553             | 1640          | 16.8                      | _  | _              | 14.00  | 0.5            | 12.18  |
| 24  | Dagze Co         | 31.84            | 87.56             | 4480             | 245           | 16.7                      | _  | —              | 14.00  | 0.5            | 12.18  |
| 25  | Zharinanmu Co    | 31.05            | 85.43             | 4629             | 1147          | 4.8                       | _  | —              | 16.00  | 0.5            | 14.55  |
| 26  | Dajia Co         | 29.87            | 85.74             | 5156             | 115           | 31.6                      | _  | —              | 12.00  | 0.5            | 9.81   |
| 27  | Angrenjin Co     | 29.31            | 87.17             | 4295             | 24.3          | 7.1                       | _  | —              | 17.00  | 0.5            | 15.74  |
| 28  | Lang Co          | 29.21            | 87.39             | 4303             | 12.1          | 31.8                      | 15.30  | 0.2            | 17.50  | 0.5            | _  |
| 29  | Bosten Lake      | 41.86            | 86.78             | 1044             | 1646          | 4.5                       | —  | —              | 23.00  | 0.5            | 22.86  |
| 30  | Sailimu Lake     | 44.64            | 81.24             | 2078             | 1408          | 78.9                      | —  | —              | 19.50  | 0.5            | 18.71  |
| 31  | Ailike Lake      | 45.93            | 85.80             | 270              | 55            | 5.2                       | 25.59  | 0.2            | 25.00  | 0.5            | _  |
| 32  | Wulungu Lake     | 47.10            | 87.20             | 482              | 760           | 5.2                       | —  | —              | 22.00  | 0.5            | 21.67  |
| 33  | Sugan Lake       | 38.88            | 93.91             | 3000             | 104           | 5                         | _  | _              | 17.00  | 0.5            | 15.74  |

\* " Depth " refers to lake water depth where we collected sediment samples.

# Supplementary Table S1. Information of 33 lakes in this study.

|     |                  | CO3 <sup>2-</sup> | HCO <sub>3</sub> - | Cl       | SO4 <sup>2-</sup> | $Ca_2^+$ | $\mathbf{Mg_{2}^{+}}$ | $\mathbf{K}^{+}$ | Na <sup>+</sup> | Salinity |      | $\delta^{18}O_{water}$ | s.d. | δD <sub>water</sub> | s.d. | SI        | SI          | SI         |
|-----|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------|------|------------------------|------|---------------------|------|-----------|-------------|------------|
| No. | Lake Name        | (mg/L)            | (mg/L)             | (mg/L)   | (mg/L)            | (mg/L)   | (mg/L)                | (mg/L)           | (mg/L)          | (mg/L)   | рН   | (%s, VSMOW)            | (1σ) | (%e, VSMOW)         | (1σ) | (calcite) | (aragonite) | (dolomite) |
| 1   | Pipahai Lake     | 0.00              | 246.18             | 46.24    | 49.39             | 34.03    | 27.52                 | 11.15            | 48.70           | 463.22   | 7.94 | 2.92                   | 0.07 | -8.01               | 0.26 | 0.29      | 0.15        | 0.77       |
| 2   | Daihai Lake      | 204.85            | 700.67             | 5209.59  | 222.26            | 47.80    | 218.72                | 16.47            | 3424.14         | 10044.50 | 8.76 | 3.78                   | 0.05 | 1.92                | 0.01 | 1.22      | 1.07        | 3.47       |
| 3   | Chagan Lake      | 37.25             | 624.92             | 69.36    | 34.99             | 22.69    | 48.17                 | 16.97            | 198.46          | 1052.79  | 8.46 | -2.19                  | 0.01 | -35.34              | 0.02 | 0.98      | 0.83        | 2.64       |
| 4   | Dali Lake        | 1042.86           | 1628.58            | 1564.42  | 333.40            | 7.56     | 27.52                 | 206.20           | 2402.40         | 7212.94  | 9.38 | -2.77                  | 0.04 | -35.17              | 0.02 | 1.15      | 1.01        | 3.29       |
| 5   | Gahai Lake       | 633.17            | 587.05             | 14179.96 | 6709.08           | 756.31   | 963.33                | 479.49           | 10131.86        | 34440.25 | 8.80 | 1.14                   | 0.02 | -0.67               | 0.15 | 1.92      | 1.77        | 4.21       |
| 6   | Qinghai Lake     | 521.43            | 587.05             | 5764.46  | 2288.50           | 151.26   | 669.75                | 182.40           | 3903.20         | 14068.04 | 8.98 | 1.44                   | 0.04 | 5.65                | 0.41 | 1.57      | 1.43        | 4.09       |
| 7   | Kuhai Lake       | 297.96            | 435.55             | 8076.41  | 4980.36           | 90.76    | 1834.92               | 9.20             | 4430.26         | 20155.42 | 8.64 | -0.85                  | 0.06 | -21.15              | 0.20 | 0.79      | 0.64        | 3.09       |
| 8   | Eling Lake       | 18.62             | 189.37             | 77.07    | 21.40             | 30.25    | 25.23                 | 2.83             | 61.70           | 426.48   | 8.49 | -3.54                  | 0.06 | -36.01              | 0.35 | 0.6       | 0.44        | 1.31       |
| 9   | Zhaling Lake     | 18.62             | 227.24             | 208.08   | 47.33             | 34.03    | 45.87                 | 5.53             | 128.32          | 715.03   | 8.42 | -1.58                  | 0.06 | -25.63              | 0.17 | 0.64      | 0.49        | 1.66       |
| 10  | Xingxinghai Lake | 18.62             | 227.24             | 127.16   | 22.64             | 22.69    | 38.99                 | 4.64             | 90.61           | 552.60   | 8.41 | -0.84                  | 0.04 | -23.94              | 0.15 | 0.47      | 0.32        | 1.41       |
| 11  | Koucha Lake      | 0.00              | 170.43             | 80.92    | 8.23              | 30.25    | 25.23                 | 2.27             | 36.85           | 354.18   | 8.14 | -3.55                  | 0.01 | -37.19              | 0.00 | 0.21      | 0.06        | 0.51       |
| 12  | Donggi Cona Lake | 18.62             | 189.37             | 96.33    | 65.86             | 30.25    | 34.40                 | 4.76             | 76.98           | 516.58   | 8.42 | -3.99                  | 0.01 | -38.53              | 0.00 | 0.46      | 0.31        | 1.13       |
| 13  | Jinzihai Lake    | 0.00              | 170.43             | 242.75   | 111.13            | 34.03    | 25.23                 | 7.20             | 183.67          | 774.45   | 7.89 | -8.60                  | 0.05 | -60.45              | 0.21 | 0         | -0.15       | 0.12       |
| 14  | Gahai Lake2      | 37.25             | 321.93             | 43618.79 | 12858.38          | 453.79   | 3945.08               | 417.31           | 26338.71        | 87991.23 | 7.93 | 3.49                   | 0.02 | -5.21               | 0.14 | 0.66      | 0.51        | 2.6        |
| 15  | Tuosu Lake       | 484.19            | 454.49             | 11837.18 | 6651.46           | 30.25    | 1853.27               | 293.70           | 7683.00         | 29287.53 | 8.74 | 5.65                   | 0.06 | 11.22               | 0.10 | 0.39      | 0.24        | 2.85       |
| 16  | Hurleg Lake      | 0.00              | 170.43             | 235.05   | 181.10            | 37.82    | 50.46                 | 6.50             | 160.55          | 841.91   | 8.10 | -4.48                  | 0.05 | -35.31              | 0.03 | 0.24      | 0.09        | 0.89       |
| 17  | Hala Lake        | 521.43            | 473.42             | 8107.24  | 2403.74           | 75.63    | 1082.60               | 168.90           | 4747.99         | 17580.96 | 8.87 | 1.45                   | 0.08 | -4.69               | 0.18 | 1.01      | 0.86        | 3.4        |
| 18  | Cuona Lake       | 18.62             | 227.24             | 19.27    | 21.40             | 26.47    | 29.82                 | 4.95             | 32.94           | 380.72   | 8.44 | -8.82                  | 0.08 | -77.53              | 0.60 | 0.6       | 0.45        | 1.48       |
| 19  | Pung Co          | 2327.82           | 1514.95            | 774.50   | 3790.84           | 3.78     | 91.75                 | 360.58           | 4277.14         | 13141.36 | 9.56 | -3.73                  | 0.07 | -53.04              | 0.32 | 0.67      | 0.52        | 3          |
| 20  | Jiang Co         | 614.54            | 549.17             | 2015.25  | 13138.27          | 60.50    | 1376.19               | 447.31           | 5333.81         | 23535.05 | 8.92 | -5.98                  | 0.01 | -67.74              | 0.16 | 0.8       | 0.65        | 3.17       |
| 21  | Bam Co           | 1433.94           | 1022.59            | 1294.69  | 2905.90           | 7.56     | 110.10                | 326.75           | 3302.28         | 10403.81 | 9.51 | -5.58                  | 0.06 | -65.81              | 0.17 | 0.9       | 0.75        | 3.19       |
| 22  | Shen Co          | 2830.63           | 2745.86            | 1059.64  | 1393.27           | 3.78     | 48.17                 | 365.49           | 4242.97         | 12689.80 | 9.58 | -3.75                  | 0.08 | -53.90              | 0.05 | 0.91      | 0.76        | 3.2        |
| 23  | Selin Co         | 577.30            | 624.92             | 1918.92  | 3901.97           | 11.34    | 176.61                | 332.21           | 3244.44         | 10787.71 | 9.18 | -3.18                  | 0.05 | -47.05              | 0.07 | 0.6       | 0.45        | 2.59       |
| 24  | Dagze Co         | 4916.35           | 1533.89            | 1256.16  | 5252.02           | 7.56     | 114.68                | 522.59           | 7133.51         | 20736.77 | 9.81 | -5.45                  | 0.02 | -63.64              | 0.17 | 0.96      | 0.8         | 3.32       |
| 25  | Zharinanmu Co    | 1433.94           | 416.61             | 1444.97  | 4725.17           | 7.56     | 250.01                | 376.40           | 3748.06         | 12402.71 | 9.39 | -7.54                  | 0.08 | -79.12              | 0.08 | 0.35      | 0.2         | 2.46       |
| 26  | Dajia Co         | 484.19            | 568.11             | 262.02   | 4564.64           | 15.13    | 38.99                 | 68.99            | 2805.56         | 8807.63  | 9.22 | -7.07                  | 0.05 | -79.08              | 0.13 | 0.7       | 0.54        | 1.97       |
| 27  | Angrenjin Co     | 1769.14           | 1988.38            | 277.43   | 946.68            | 11.34    | 6.88                  | 6.63             | 2705.19         | 7711.68  | 9.56 | -4.54                  | 0.00 | -70.70              | 0.05 | 1.39      | 1.24        | 2.88       |
| 28  | Lang Co          | 495.36            | 859.74             | 161.84   | 92.61             | 3.78     | 68.81                 | 14.56            | 709.06          | 2405.75  | 9.30 | -5.67                  | 0.01 | -78.11              | 0.01 | 0.74      | 0.59        | 3.01       |
| 29  | Bosten Lake      | 0.00              | 151.50             | 69.36    | 123.48            | 52.94    | 22.94                 | 4.48             | 54.37           | 479.06   | 8.18 | -7.98                  | 0.07 | -54.16              | 0.05 | 0.53      | 0.38        | 1.01       |
| 30  | Sailimu Lake     | 175.05            | 465.85             | 342.94   | 870.53            | 15.13    | 357.81                | 21.20            | 242.13          | 2490.64  | 8.84 | -2.22                  | 0.05 | -22.72              | 0.17 | 0.68      | 0.53        | 3.01       |
| 31  | Ailike Lake      | 0.00              | 340.86             | 231.20   | 80.26             | 30.25    | 27.52                 | 9.88             | 224.00          | 943.98   | 8.20 | -4.43                  | 0.02 | -51.11              | 0.14 | 0.64      | 0.5         | 1.61       |
| 32  | Wulungu Lake     | 55.87             | 321.93             | 466.24   | 652.39            | 45.38    | 64.22                 | 59.16            | 569.89          | 2235.08  | 8.54 | -4.67                  | 0.01 | -49.56              | 0.09 | 0.87      | 0.72        | 2.19       |
| 33  | Sugan Lake       | 465.56            | 284.05             | 8184.30  | 8413.10           | 90.76    | 1559.68               | 349.67           | 6532.90         | 25880.02 | 8.86 | 2.11                   | 0.04 | -3.52               | 0.16 | 0.73      | 0.58        | 2.94       |

Supplementary Table S2. Lake water parameters of thirty-three lakes in this study.

|     |               | Carbonat  | Calcite | Monohydro-      | Aragonite | Dolomite |                       |        |              |                |                       |        |
|-----|---------------|-----------|---------|-----------------|-----------|----------|-----------------------|--------|--------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------|
| No. | Lake Name     | e content | content | calcite content | content   | content  | $\delta^{18}O_{carb}$ | s.e.m. | 1000lna      | 1000lna        | $\delta^{13}C_{carb}$ | s.e.m. |
|     |               | (%)       | (%)     | (%)             | (%)       | (%)      | (%a, VPDB)            | (1σ)   | (carb-water) | $(DIC - H_2O)$ | (%s, VPDB)            | (1σ)   |
|     |               | ((-))     | (0)     | ()              | ()        | ()       |                       |        |              |                |                       |        |
| 1   | Pipahai Lake  | 17        | 17      |                 |           |          | -2.66                 | 0.31   | 25.25        | 32.14          | 1.72                  | 0.12   |
| 2   | Daihai Lake   | 8         | 8       |                 |           |          | -4.61                 | 0.09   | 22.38        | 30.85          | -4.06                 | 0.04   |
| 3   | Chagan Lake   | 24        | 23      |                 |           | 1        | -5.25                 | 0.11   | 27.68        | 31.09          | -2.35                 | 0.00   |
| 4   | Dali Lake     | 7         | 7       |                 |           |          | -2.53                 | 0.10   | 31.06        | 30.09          | 0.96                  | 0.03   |
| 5   | Gahai Lake    | 24        | 5       |                 | 17        | 2        | 0.58                  | 0.27   | 30.38        | 32.43          | 2.39                  | 0.21   |
| 6   | Qinghai Lake  | 45        | 5       |                 | 38        | 2        | 1.06                  | 0.01   | 30.57        | 31.54          | 2.92                  | 0.00   |
| 7   | Kuhai Lake    | 50        | 3       | 46              |           | 1        | 0.81                  | 0.05   | 32.60        | 33.35          | 2.08                  | 0.16   |
| 8   | Eling Lake    | 40        | 39      |                 |           | 1        | -4.73                 | 0.07   | 29.57        | 33.21          | -0.97                 | 0.01   |
| 9   | Zhaling Lake  | 26        | 26      |                 |           |          | -3.04                 | 0.16   | 29.36        | 32.57          | 0.53                  | 0.03   |
| 10  | Xingxinghai   | 9         | 7       |                 |           | 2        | -5.64                 | 0.01   | 25.94        | 32.83          | -0.13                 | 0.04   |
| 11  | Koucha Lake   | 24        | 23      |                 |           | 1        | -5.56                 | 0.03   | 28.73        | 33.60          | 4.59                  | 0.06   |
| 12  | Donggei Cona  | 18        | 18      |                 |           |          | -4.97                 | 0.06   | 29.78        | 33.81          | 1.54                  | 0.07   |
| 13  | Jinzihai Lake | 18        | 17      |                 |           | 1        | -7.88                 | 0.07   | 31.39        | 32.55          | -1.39                 | 0.06   |
| 14  | Gahai Lake2   | 32        | 10      |                 | 22        |          | -1.44                 | 0.11   | 25.94        | 32.28          | 1.54                  | 0.04   |
| 15  | Tuosu Lake    | 21        | 11      |                 | 9         | 1        | -2.36                 | 0.02   | 22.83        | 32.09          | 1.70                  | 0.02   |
| 16  | Hurleg Lake   | 22        | 22      |                 |           |          | -6.57                 | 0.05   | 28.61        | 32.12          | 2.39                  | 0.01   |
| 17  | Har Lake      | 23        | 5       |                 | 17        | 1        | -0.02                 | 0.06   | 29.44        | 32.84          | 3.88                  | 0.03   |
| 18  | Cuona Lake    | 23        | 22      |                 |           | 1        | -9.83                 | 0.18   | 29.59        | 32.83          | 2.16                  | 0.07   |
| 19  | Pung Co       | 49        | 6       |                 | 43        |          | -4.98                 | 0.13   | 29.51        | 31.22          | 4.84                  | 0.10   |
| 20  | Jiang Co      | 27        | 5       |                 | 22        |          | -6.37                 | 0.16   | 30.31        | 32.97          | 3.24                  | 0.04   |
| 21  | Bam Co        | 52        | 15      |                 | 37        |          | -6.84                 | 0.05   | 29.44        | 32.33          | 3.19                  | 0.01   |
| 22  | Shenco        | 53        | 11      |                 | 40        | 2        | -6.67                 | 0.03   | 27.78        | 32.10          | 3.94                  | 0.01   |
| 23  | Selin Co      | 56        | 7       |                 | 45        | 4        | -4.63                 | 0.14   | 29.31        | 32.94          | 4.97                  | 0.09   |
| 24  | Dagze Co      | 25        | 13      |                 | 10        | 2        | -9.53                 | 0.11   | 26.53        | 31.14          | 1.98                  | 0.06   |
| 25  | Zharinanmu    | 18        | 3       |                 | 15        |          | -7.61                 | 0.41   | 30.61        | 31.95          | 4.30                  | 0.22   |
| 26  | Daija Co      | 24        | 8       | 16              |           |          | -8.04                 | 0.06   | 29.69        | 33.48          | 3.93                  | 0.05   |
| 27  | Angreniin Co  | 4         | 4       |                 |           |          | -7.83                 | 0.11   | 27.38        | 31.41          | 0.49                  | 0.05   |
| 28  | Lang Co       | . 11      |         |                 | 10        |          | -6.36                 | 0.03   | 30.03        | 32.27          | 2.03                  | 0.04   |
| 20  | Bosten Lake   | 21        | 17      |                 | 10        | 4        | -7.09                 | 0.05   | 31.58        | 31 30          | -0.92                 | 0.01   |
| 27  | Sailing Lake  | 21        | 0       |                 | 14        | 4        | -7.07                 | 0.05   | 30.26        | 31.57          | 2 70                  | 0.01   |
| 21  | Allin Tol     | 25        | y<br>50 |                 | 14        |          | -2.09                 | 0.21   | 20.20        | 20.94          | 2.70                  | 0.00   |
| 31  | Allike Lake   | 52        | 32      |                 |           |          | -7.00                 | 0.08   | 28.12        | 30.84          | -3.07                 | 0.02   |
| 32  | Wulungu       | 27        | 27      | <i>(</i> 2)     |           |          | -5.36                 | 0.06   | 30.05        | 31.52          | 0.79                  | 0.05   |
| 33  | Sugan Lake    | 73        | 4       | 69              |           |          | 3.77                  | 0.14   | 32.69        | 32.41          | 0.80                  | 0.01   |

Supplementary Table S3. Lake surface carbonate analyses results.

| No. | Section        | <b>Carbonate species</b>      | Sample Account | $\delta^{18}O_{carb(\text{\%, VPDB})}$ | $\delta^{18}O_{water~(\%,~VSMOW)}$ | Water temperature (°C) | рН               | Fractionation condition        | Reference  |
|-----|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------|--|------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|------------|
| 1   |                | Calcite                       | 26             | $-13.48 \sim -4.14$                    | $-8.30\sim-7.74$                   | 10, 25                 | $7.50 \sim 8.50$ | Equilibrium and disequilibrium | [3]        |
| 2   |                | Calcite                       | 4              | $-11.37 \sim -10.31$                   | $-7.88\sim-7.37$                   | 23, 33                 | -                | Equilibrium                    | [4]        |
| 3   |                | Calcite                       | 16             | $-13.72 \sim -7.30$                    | -9.59                              | 5, 25                  | $7.50 \sim 9.40$ | Equilibrium                    | [5]        |
| 4   | Laboratory     | Calcite                       | 3              | $-11.12 \sim -9.80$                    | $-7.24\sim-9.50$                   | 14.5, 33               | 7.40             | Equilibrium                    | [6]        |
| 5   | aunthatia      | Witherite                     | 12             | $-13.14 \sim -7.47$                    | $-8.30\sim-7.80$                   | 10, 25                 | $7.50 \sim 8.50$ | Equilibrium and disequilibrium | [3]        |
| 6   | synthetic      | Witherite                     | 7              | -11.13 ~ -2,71                         | $-5.33 \sim -4.90$                 | 15, 25                 | $6.94 \sim 9.68$ | Equilibrium                    | [2]        |
| 7   | experiments    | Aragonite                     | 57             | $-10.78\sim-8.40$                      | $-6.77 \sim -12.19$                | 5, 10, 25              | 7.52 ~           | Equilibrium                    | [7]        |
| 8   |                | Calcite and Aragonite         | 15             | $-8.64 \sim -7.66$                     | -5.81~ -6.27                       | 25                     | 7.00             | Equilibrium                    | [8]        |
| 9   |                | Calcite and aragonite mixture | 31             | $-14.95 \sim -7.61$                    | $-12.24 \sim -4.66$                | 25                     | -                | Equilibrium                    | [9]        |
| 10  |                | Calcite and aragonite mixture | 7              | $-4.49 \sim -4.45$                     | $-5.40\sim-5.90$                   | 25                     | $8.02 \sim 9.80$ | Equilibrium and disequilibrium | [10]       |
| 11  |                | Tufa calcite                  | 2              | $-10.78 \sim -14.76$                   | $-8.10 \sim -11.50$                | 33.8, 36               | 7.70             | _                              | [11]       |
| 12  |                | Tufa calcite                  | 13             | -9.3 0~ -5.39                          | $-10.70 \sim -6.50$                | $9.5\sim 33.8$         | $6.63 \sim 8.94$ | -                              | [12]       |
| 13  |                | Tufa calcite                  | 27             | $-8.20 \sim -5.97$                     | $-8.99\sim-7.63$                   | $5.6 \sim 16$          | $8.22 \sim 8.45$ | -                              | [6]        |
| 14  |                | Tufa calcite                  | 3              | $-3.90 \sim -1.80$                     | $-2.70 \sim -1.30$                 | -                      | -                | -                              | [13]       |
| 15  | Field samples  | Stalagmite calcite            | 4              | $-7.47 \sim -6.61$                     | $-9.00\sim-8.50$                   | 9.5, 10.5              | -                | -                              | [11]       |
| 16  | i iela sampies | Stalagmite calcite            | 130            | $-5.93\sim-4.08$                       | $-4.60\sim-3.90$                   | $14.9\sim22.6$         | 8.30             | Equilibrium and disequilibrium | [14]       |
| 17  |                | Stalagmite calcite            | 3              | $-5.00 \sim -3.13$                     | $-6.41 \sim -6.17$                 | $11.38 \sim 12.49$     | -                | -                              | [15]       |
| 18  |                | Stalagmite calcite            | 10             | $-10.08 \sim -6.38$                    | $-7.36\sim-6.77$                   | 16.5                   | -                | -                              | [16]       |
| 19  |                | Speleothem calcite            | 4              | $-9.71 \sim -8.74$                     | $-10.30 \sim -8.10$                | 9.8, 28.5              | 7.60             | -                              | [11]       |
| 20  |                | Speleothem calcite            | 44             | $-14.70 \sim -8.90$                    | -9.50                              | 10                     | -                | -                              | [17]       |
| 21  |                | Devils Hole vein calcite      | 1              | -15.83                                 | -13.54                             | 33.7                   | 7.40             | Equilibrium                    | [18]       |
| 22  |                | Laghetto Basso calcite        | 1              | -4.48                                  | -7.39                              | 7.9                    | 8.20             | Equilibrium                    | [19]       |
| 23  | Lake surface   | Modeled carbonate             | 30             | $-5.78 \sim -0.23$                     | $-5.89 \sim -0.58$                 | 7.05 ~ 8.85            | -                | Equilibrium                    | [20]       |
| 24  | sediments      | Lake bulk carbonate           | 58             | $-17.56 \sim 6.65$                     | $-19.90 \sim 5.57$                 | $3.0\sim 16.3$         | -                | -                              | [13,21-33] |

Supplementary Table S4. Compilation of published data.

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