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試料、実験方法、利用の結果得られた主なデータ、考察、結論等を、記述して下さい。(適宜、図表添付のこと)  
 Please report your samples, experimental method and results, discussion and conclusions. Please add figures and tables for better explanation.

1. 試料 Name of sample(s) and chemical formula, or compositions including physical form. Iron phosphate, $\text{Li}_0\text{FePO}_4$ and sodium iron phosphate $\text{Na}_{0.7}\text{FePO}_4$ . A powder sample was pressed in a disc with 27 mm diameter and 1 mm thickness, and then the disc was packed in an Au-sealed titanium cell.
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2. 実験方法及び結果 (実験がうまくいかなかった場合、その理由を記述してください。) Experimental method and results. If you failed to conduct experiment as planned, please describe reasons. Following upon the $\mu^+$ SR studies on the stoichiometric phospho-olivines, $\text{LiFePO}_4$ and related compounds (proposal #010A0041) [1,2], we have initiated a study to investigate the diffusive nature of the charged state compounds, $\text{Li}_x\text{FePO}_4$ with $x \leq 1$ in order for estimating a diffusion coefficient of $\text{Li}^+$ ( $D_{\text{Li}}$ ) caused by a $\text{Li}^+$ jump between the regular occupied site and regular vacant site. In this beam-time, we have measured two phospho-olivines, $\text{FePO}_4$ and $\text{Na}_{0.7}\text{FePO}_4$ . The former compound is very important for understanding the charge/discharge reaction of $\text{LiFePO}_4$ , because such a reaction is represented by; $\text{LiFePO}_4 - x\text{Li} \rightleftharpoons (1-x)\text{LiFePO}_4 + x\text{FePO}_4$ [3]. On the contrary, $\text{Na}_x\text{FePO}_4$ is studied as a candidate for the cathode material of a Na-ion battery in near future [4,5]. Figure 1 shows the variation of the ZF-spectrum with temperature for (a) $\text{FePO}_4$ and (b) $\text{Na}_{0.7}\text{FePO}_4$ . Since there are no mobile $\text{Li}^+$ ions in $\text{FePO}_4$ , the implanted muons are most likely to sense a nuclear magnetic field due to $^{31}\text{P}$ , which form a rigid $\text{FePO}_4$ skeleton. Therefore, ZF-spectrum does not vary with $T$ , as expected. On the other hand, the ZF-spectrum for $\text{Na}_{0.7}\text{FePO}_4$ is found to change from a low- $T$ static behavior to a high- $T$ dynamic behavior. This is consistent with the fact that $\text{Na}^+$ ions are extracted from and intercalated into
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the  $\text{Na}_x\text{FePO}_4$  lattice, reversibly. The ZF-spectra for both samples were well fitted using a combination of an exponentially relaxing dynamic Kubo-Toyabe signal and a non-relaxing background signal from a titanium cell.

Figure 2 shows the temperature dependences of the field distribution width ( $\Delta$ ) and field fluctuation rate ( $\nu$ ) for both samples. For  $\text{FePO}_4$ ,  $\Delta$  is independent of  $T$  until 500 K, when we assume that  $\nu=0$  in the whole  $T$  range measured. Since the ZF-spectrum is not changed with  $T$  [see Fig. 1(a)], this assumption is reasonable.

For  $\text{Na}_x\text{FePO}_4$ ,  $\nu$  is found to gradually increase with  $T$ , while  $\Delta$  is independent of  $T$  up to 450 K. The relationship between  $\nu$  and  $1/T$  suggests that  $\text{Na}^+$  ions start to diffuse above around 250 K [see Fig. 2(b)]. In order to estimate  $D_{\text{Na}}$  in  $\text{Na}_{0.7}\text{FePO}_4$ , we need detailed information of the crystal structure, particularly the atomic position and occupancy of the Na site(s). However, since  $D_{\text{Na}}$  is proportional to  $\nu$ , the estimated activation energy ( $E_a=113$  meV) should correspond to  $E_a$  for  $D_{\text{Na}}$ . Due to large magnetic moments of the Fe ion in  $\text{Na}_x\text{FePO}_4$ , it is most unlikely that Na-NMR provides reliable  $D_{\text{Na}}$ . In fact, there are, to our knowledge, no NMR work on  $\text{Na}_x\text{FePO}_4$ . We, therefore, wish to emphasize that  $\mu^+\text{SR}$  provides unique information on Na-diffusion in  $\text{Na}_x\text{FePO}_4$ .

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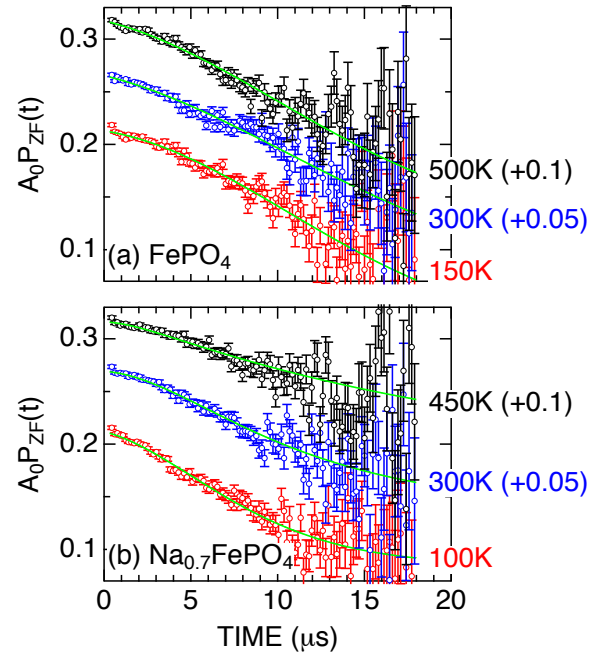


Fig. 1 (a) the ZF-spectrum obtained at 150, 300, and 500K for  $\text{FePO}_4$  and (b) the ZF-spectrum obtained at 100, 300, and 450K  $\text{Na}_{0.7}\text{FePO}_4$ .

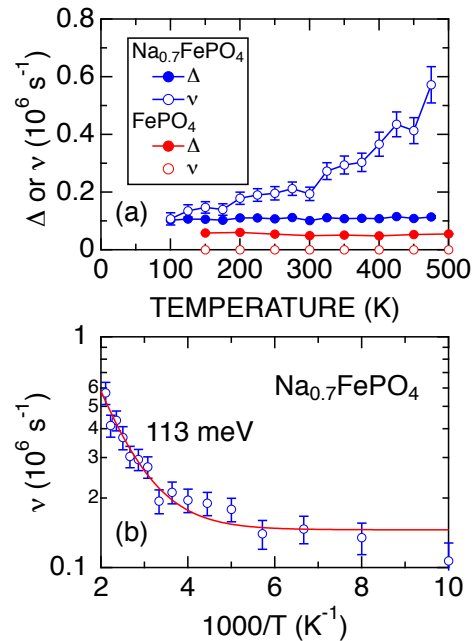


Fig. 2 (a) the temperature dependences of  $\Delta$  and  $\nu$  for  $\text{FePO}_4$  and  $\text{Na}_{0.7}\text{FePO}_4$  and (b) the relationship between  $\nu$  and  $1/T$  for  $\text{Na}_{0.7}\text{FePO}_4$ .