

Table 2. Summary of constants used to estimate step edge free energies, α , and kinetic coefficients, β , for quartz, feldspar, and kaolinite

Mineral	Solution*	Constants				Dislocation model (Eq. 12b)		Nucleation model (Eq. 12a)	
		Temp, °C	h , Å	ω , cm ³	mh^\dagger , Å	β , cm/s	$\alpha_{\text{dislocation}}$, mJ/m ²	$\alpha_{\text{homogeneous}}$, mJ/m ²	$\alpha_{\text{defect assisted}}$, mJ/m ²
Quartz	H ₂ O	200	4.33	3.77×10^{-23}	4.91	$\sim 1 \times 10^{-6}$	16.2 ± 5	—	—
Quartz	0.0167 M CaCl ₂	200	4.33	3.77×10^{-23}		—	—	79 ± 14	32 ± 10
Quartz	0.05 M NaCl	200	4.33	3.77×10^{-23}		—	—	61 ± 6	18 ± 8
Feldspar [‡]	KCl/KOH, pH 9	150	7.22	1.80×10^{-22}		—	—	30 ± 4	8 ± 4
Kaolinite [§]	HClO ₄ /NaOH, pH 3	80	7.37	1.65×10^{-22}	7.37	$\sim 2 \times 10^{-8}$	2.6 ± 0.4	—	—
Kaolinite [¶]	HCl, pH 2	150	7.37	1.65×10^{-22}		—	—	23 ± 2	4 ± 2
Kaolinite [¶]	NH ₄ Cl/NH ₄ OH, pH 7.8	150	7.37	1.65×10^{-22}		—	—	24 ± 2	7 ± 3

*Note that the aqueous solutions also contain dissolved aqueous silica and (as applicable) stoichiometric amounts of aluminum.

[†]The Burgers vector, $b = mh$, is used to estimate the perimeter, P , in Eq. 12b by the relation $2\pi r_h$. Values of r_h for quartz and kaolinite are $1.25b$ and $2.5b$, respectively (16). No value is reported for K-feldspar because only the dislocation model requires b .

[‡]Dissolution rate data from ref. 22 using $\log K_{\text{sp}} = -15.24$ at 150°C.

[§]Dissolution rate data from ref. 6 using $\log K_{\text{sp}} = 3.75$ for pH = 3, $T = 80^\circ\text{C}$.

[¶]Dissolution rate from ref. 23 using $\log K_{\text{sp}} = -4.00$ (pH 2) and $\log K_{\text{sp}} = -7.45$ (pH 7.8) at 150°C.