

Optimization of FeMoco Maturation on NifEN

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Supporting Information

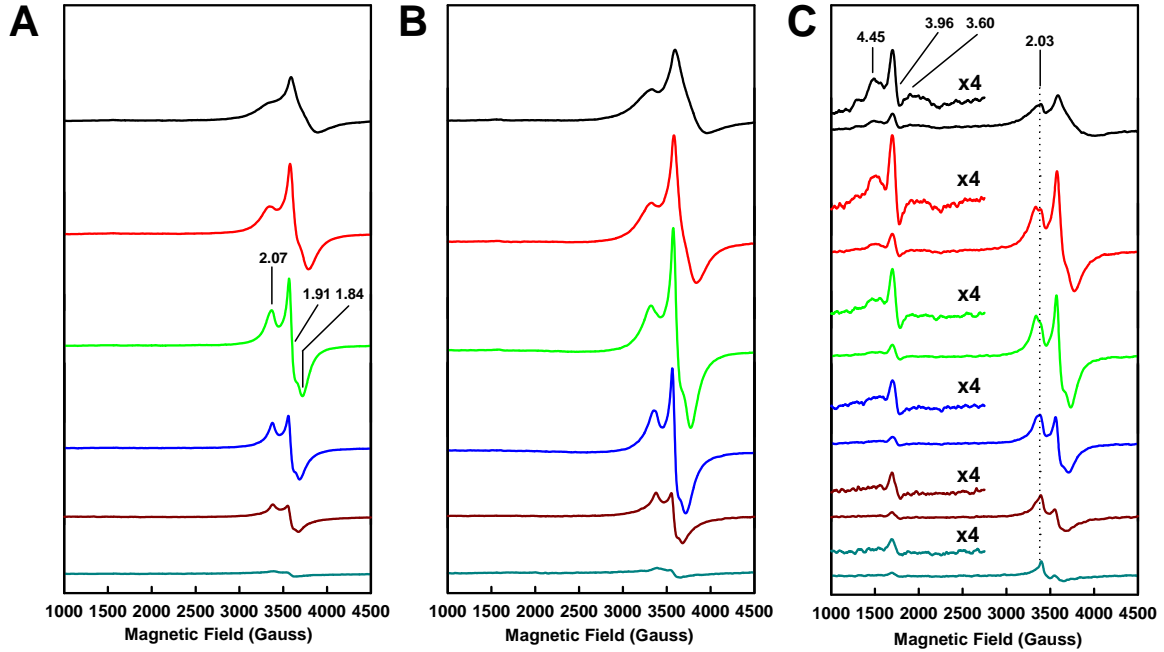


Figure S1. Temperature-dependency of EPR spectra of $\Delta nifB$ NifEN (A), NifEN^{Precursor} (B) and NifEN^{FeMoco}(20 mM) (C) in dithionite-reduced states. The precursor-free $\Delta nifB$ NifEN (A) contains two permanent [Fe₄S₄] clusters at the α/β subunit interface, which gives rise to an $S = 1/2$ signal; whereas NifEN^{Precursor} (B) contains, in addition to the permanent [Fe₄S₄] clusters, a FeMoco precursor that gives rise to a signal that overlaps with the $S = 1/2$ signal of the [Fe₄S₄] clusters, which accounts for the differences in signal intensity and temperature- and power-dependency between the EPR spectra of NifEN^{Precursor} and $\Delta nifB$ NifEN.¹ In contrast to both $\Delta nifB$ NifEN and NifEN^{Precursor}, NifEN^{FeMoco}(20 mM) (C) contains a “FeMoco”, which gives rise to additional features in both $S = 3/2$ and $S = 1/2$ regions. The $S = 3/2$ signals of NifEN^{FeMoco}(20 mM) are enlarged, and the g values are given.

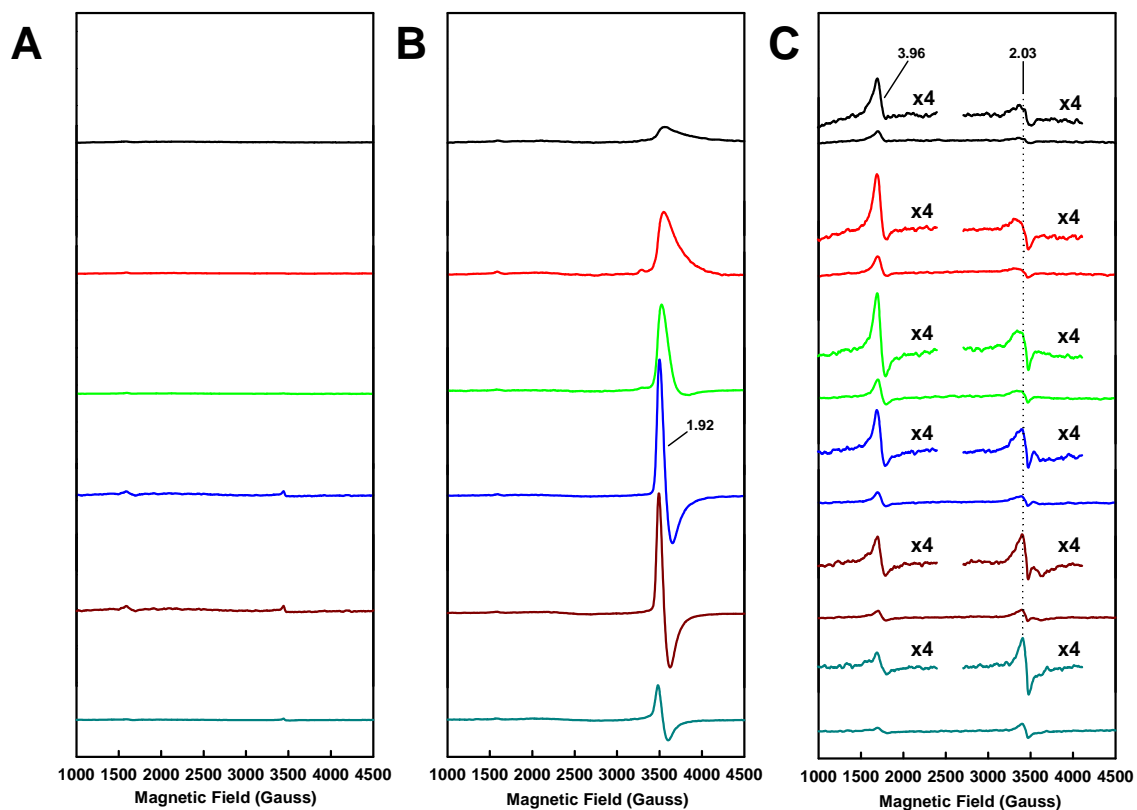


Figure S2. Temperature-dependency of EPR spectra of $\Delta nifB$ NifEN (A), $NifEN^{Precursor}$ (B) and $NifEN^{FeMoco(20\text{ mM})}$ (C) in IDS-oxidized states. The precursor-free $\Delta nifB$ NifEN (A) is EPR-silent upon IDS oxidation; whereas $NifEN^{Precursor}$ (B) displays a precursor-specific signal at $g = 1.92$.¹ In the case of $NifEN^{FeMoco(20\text{ mM})}$ (C), the features at $g = 3.96$ and 2.03 remain upon IDS oxidation. These features of $NifEN^{FeMoco(20\text{ mM})}$ are enlarged, and the g values are given.

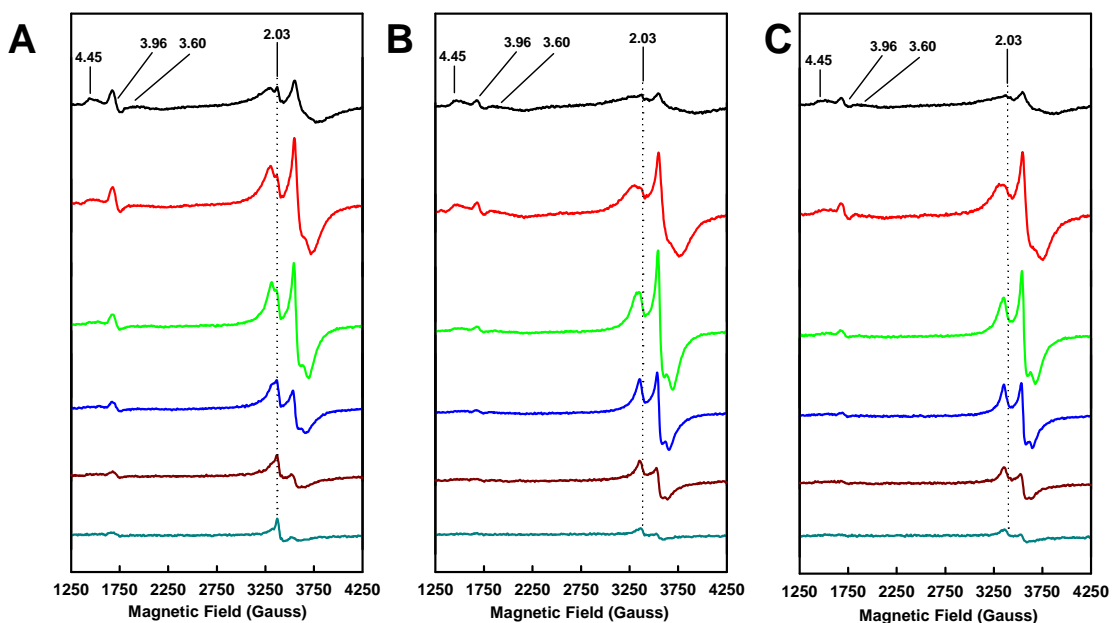


Figure S3. Temperature-dependency of EPR spectra of NifEN^{“FeMoco”}(20 mM) (A), NifEN^{“FeMoco”}[Ti(III) citrate] (B) and NifEN^{“FeMoco”}(Fld_1) (C) in dithionite-reduced states. All three NifEN species display the characteristic features of “FeMoco”, including the $S = 3/2$ signal with g values of 4.45, 3.96 and 3.60, and the $g = 2.03$ feature in the $S = 1/2$ region.

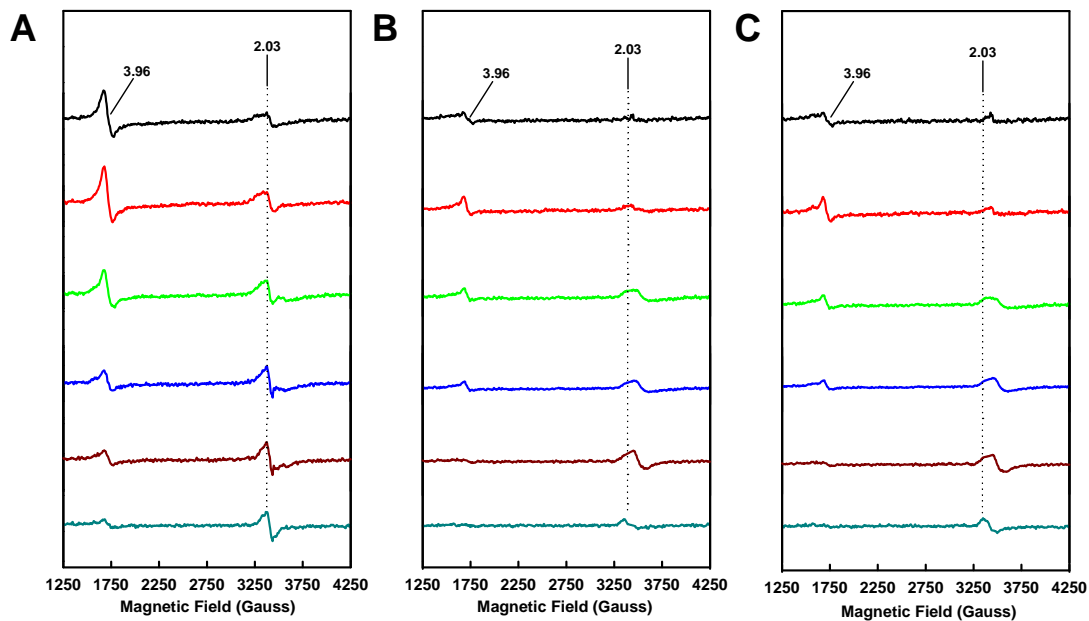


Figure S4. Temperature-dependency of EPR spectra of NifEN^{“FeMoco”}(20 mM) (A), NifEN^{“FeMoco”}[Ti(III) citrate] (B) and NifEN^{“FeMoco”}(Fld_1) (C) in IDS-oxidized states. All three NifEN species display the characteristic features of “FeMoco”, including the $g = 3.96$ feature in the $S = 3/2$ region, and the $g = 2.03$ feature in the $S = 1/2$ region.

References

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