

Supplemental materials:

**The periplasmic nitrate reductase Nap is required for anaerobic growth
and involved in redox control of magnetite biomineralization in
*Magnetospirillum gryphiswaldense***

Running title: Denitrification and magnetite biomineralization

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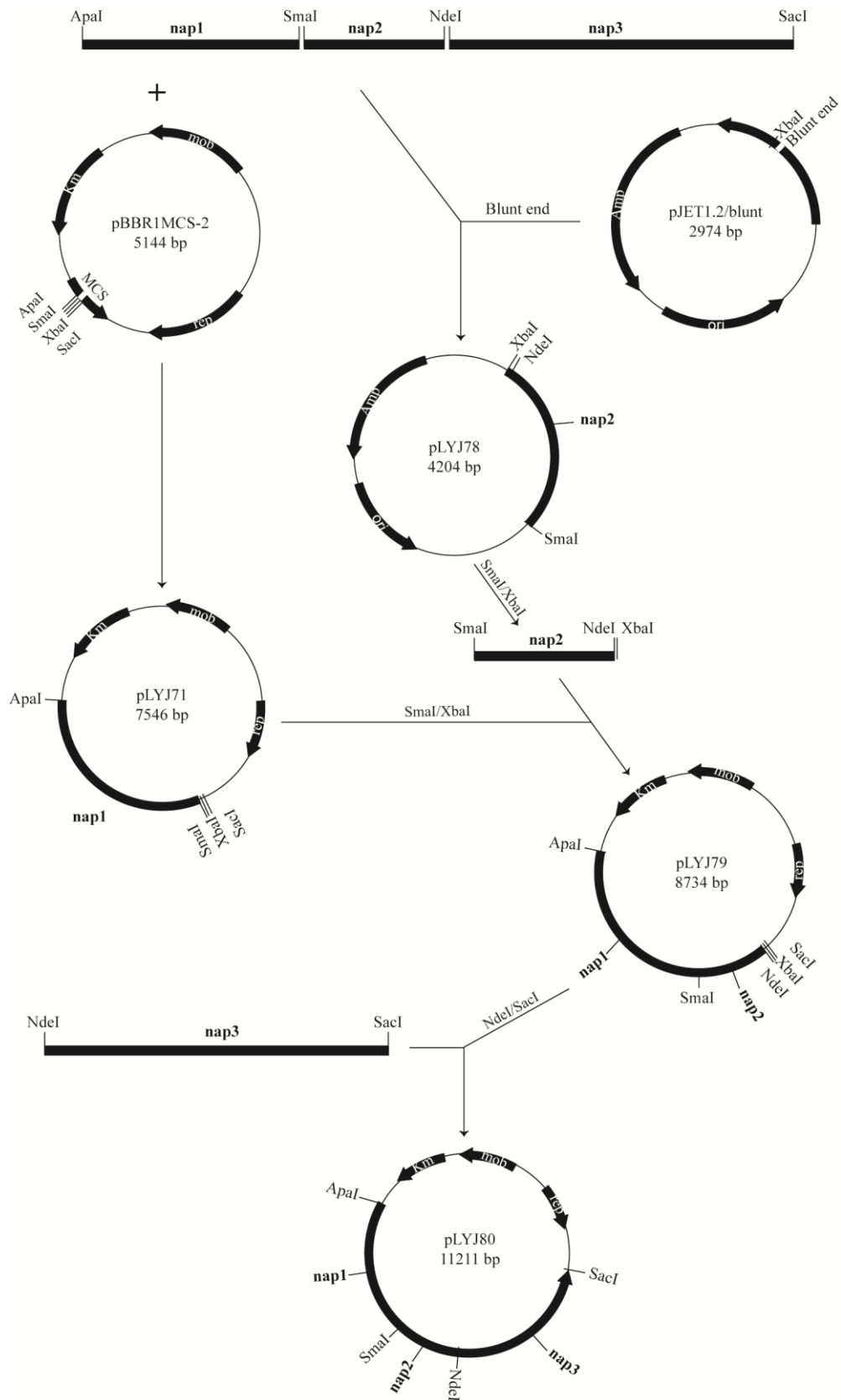


Fig. S1. Scheme for the construction of the large complementation plasmid pLYJ80 (about 11 kb) for Δnap .

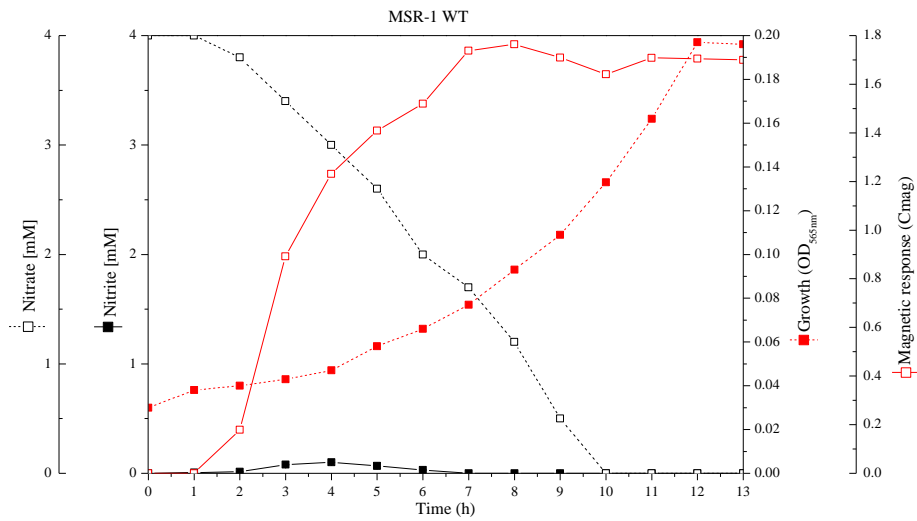


Fig. S2. Nitrate utilization in WT with an initial nitrate concentration of 4 mM (nitrate medium).

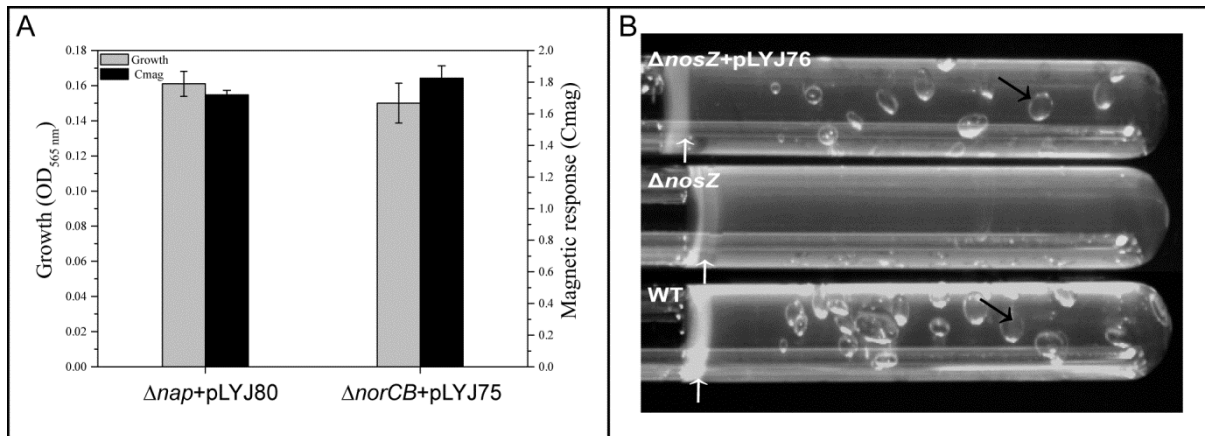


Fig. S3. (A) Growth (OD_{565 nm}) and magnetic response (Cmag) of $\Delta nap+pLYJ80$ and $\Delta norCB+pLYJ75$ under anaerobic conditions. $\Delta nap+pLYJ80$ and $\Delta norCB+pLYJ75$ represented mutant cells harboring their respective WT alleles. (B) Gas production assay in WT, $\Delta nosZ$ and $\Delta nosZ+pLYJ76$ in semisolid agar. $\Delta nosZ+pLYJ76$ represented *nosZ* mutant cell harboring a WT *nosZ* allele. Cells grew as bands (white arrows), and bubbles (black arrows) were detected in WT and complemented *nosZ* strain cultures but not in $\Delta nosZ$ mutant.

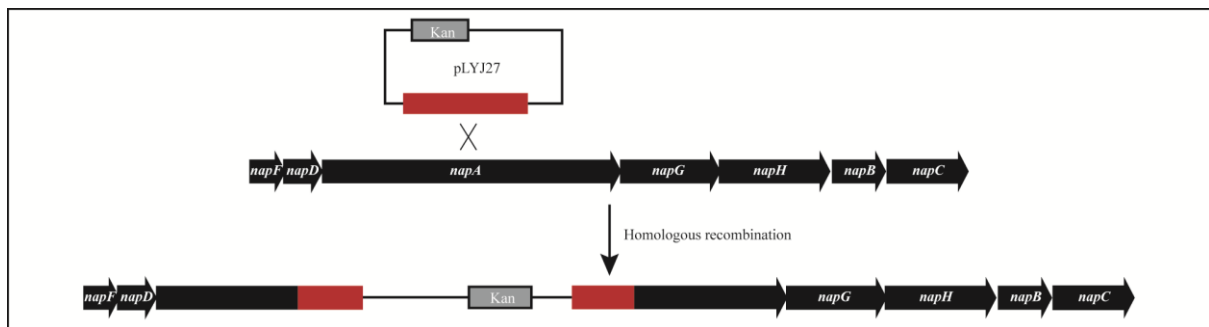


Fig. S4. Schematic representation of steps employed for the interruption of *napA* (*napA::kanR*) in MSR-1. The insertion mutant showed WT-like growth and Cmag values. Under microaerobic and anaerobic conditions, it still consumed nitrate like the WT (data not shown).

Table S1. Bacterial strains used in this work

| Strain | Important feature (s) | Source or reference |
|------------------------------------|---|---|
| <i>E. coli</i> strain DH5 α | F' Φ 80dlacZ Δ M15 Δ (lacZYA-argF)U169 deoR recA1 endA1 hsdR17 (r _k ⁻ , m _k ⁺) phoA supE44 λ - thi-1 gyrA96 relA1 | Invitrogen |
| <i>E. coli</i> strain BW29427 | dap auxotroph derivative of <i>E. coli</i> strain B2155 | K. Datsenko and B. L. Wanner, unpublished |
| MSR-1 WT | Wild type R3/S1, but Rif ^r , Sm ^r | (8) |
| Δ nirS Δ norCB | R3/S1 Δ nirS Δ norCB | Y. Li and D. Schüler, unpublished data |
| napA::kanR | R3/S1 nap::pLYJ27 | This study |
| Δ nap-up | R3/S1 nap::pLYJ85 | This study |
| Δ nap-up-down | R3/S1 nap::pLYJ85::pLYJ92 | This study |
| Δ nap | R3/S1 Δ nap | This study |
| Δ norCB | R3/S1 Δ norCB | This study |
| Δ nosZ | R3/S1 Δ nosZ | This study |

Table S2. Plasmids used in this work

| Plasmid | Important feature (s) | Source or reference |
|---------------|--|---------------------|
| pJET1.2/blunt | Amp ^r , <i>eco47IR</i> (lethal restriction enzyme gene), <i>rep</i> (pMB-1) | Fermentas |
| pCM184 | Broad-host-range allelic exchange vector, Amp ^r , Km ^r , Tc ^r | (5) |
| pBBR1MCS-2 | Km ^r , mobilizable broad-host-range vector | (3) |
| pK19mobGII | - | (2) |
| pAL01 | Km ^r , pK19mobGII vector (Km ^r , pMB-1 replicon, <i>gusA</i> , <i>lacZ</i>) containing a 2 kb fragment upstream of <i>mgr4019</i> | (4) |
| pAL02/2 | Gm ^r , pT18mob2 vector containing a 2 kb fragment downstream of <i>mgr4019</i> | (4) |
| pCM157 | Tc ^r , Cre recombinase expression vector | (5) |
| pLYJ27 | pCM184 plus <i>napA</i> 2-kb upstream and internal region | This study |
| pLYJ31 | pCM184 plus <i>norCB</i> 2-kb upstream region | This study |
| pLYJ32 | pCM184 plus <i>nosZ</i> 2-kb downstream region | This study |
| pLYJ34 | pLYJ31 plus <i>norCB</i> 2-kb downstream region | This study |
| pLYJ35 | pLYJ32 plus <i>nosZ</i> 2-kb upstream region | This study |
| pLYJ71 | pBBR1MCS-2 plus <i>nap1</i> with its own promoter | This study |
| pLYJ75 | pBBR1MCS-2 plus <i>norCB</i> with its own promoter | This study |
| pLYJ76 | pBBR1MCS-2 plus <i>nosZ</i> with its own promoter | This study |
| pLYJ78 | pJET1.2/blunt plus <i>nap2</i> | This study |
| pLYJ79 | pLYJ71 plus <i>nap2</i> from pLYJ78 | This study |
| pLYJ80 | PLYJ78 plus <i>nap3</i> | This study |
| pLYJ85 | pAL01 plus <i>nap</i> 2-kb upstream region | This study |
| pLYJ92 | pAL02/2 plus <i>nap</i> 2-kb downstream region | This study |
| pLYJ97 | pBBR1MCS-2 plus <i>gusA</i> from pK19mobGII | This study |
| pLYJ94 | pLYJ97 plus <i>nirS</i> promoter region | This study |
| pLYJ98 | pLYJ97 plus <i>nap</i> promoter region | This study |
| pLYJ99 | pLYJ97 plus <i>norCB</i> promoter region | This study |
| pLYJ100 | pLYJ97 plus <i>nosZ</i> promoter region | This study |

Table S3. Effect of different electron acceptors and oxygen on growth and magnetic response

| Culture condition | Nitrogen source | Growth ($\Delta OD_{565 \text{ nm}}^a$) | Magnetic response (Cmag) |
|---------------------|----------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Anaerobic | 4 mM NO_3^- | 0.18 ± 0.02 | 1.8 ± 0.2 |
| | 1 mM NO_2^- | 0.01 ± 0.00 | 1.7 ± 0.0 |
| | 10 mM N_2O | 0.01 ± 0.000 | 1.7 ± 0.0 |
| | 4 mM NH_4^+ | 0 | ND ^b |
| Microaerobic | 4 mM NO_3^- | 0.23 ± 0.01 | 2.1 ± 0.2 |
| | 4 mM NH_4^+ | 0.17 ± 0.06 | 2.0 ± 0.2 |
| Aerobic | 4 mM NO_3^- | 1.21 ± 0.04 | 0 |
| | 4 mM NH_4^+ | 1.25 ± 0.07 | 0 |

^a Values represent means and standard deviations were obtained with triplicate cultures and repeated three times.

^b Cmag value was not tested.

Table S4. BlastP analysis results of denitrification genes in MTB and non-MTB using MSR-1 as a query.

| Gene in MSR-1 | Encoded gene product (aa, kDa, pI) | AMB-1 (e-value, similarity) | MS-1 (e-value, similarity) | MC-1 (e-value, similarity) | Best hit in non-MTB (e-value, similarity) |
|------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| <i>mgr_4000*</i> | NapF, small transmembrane protein of unknown function (7) (102, 10.17, 8.67) | <i>amb2692</i> (1e-18, 64%) ^b | <i>BAB59020.1</i> (4e-13, 67%) | <i>mmc1_1591</i> (2e-10, 62%) | <i>Serratia odorifera</i> 4Rx13 (1e-18, 64%) |
| <i>mgr_4001*</i> | NapD, cytoplasmic protein (7) (102, 11.21, 4.91) | <i>amb2691</i> (5e-43, 76%) | <i>magn03008202</i> (2e-41, 77%) | <i>mmc1_1592</i> (8e-07, 54%) | <i>Beggiatoa</i> sp. PS (9e-17, 62%) |
| <i>mgr_4002*</i> | NapA, nitrate reductase (NR) catalytic subunit containing molybdenum cofactor and a [4Fe-4S] cluster (6) (835, 93.60, 8.70) | <i>amb2690</i> (0, 91%) | <i>magn03008203</i> (0, 91%) | <i>mmc1_1591</i> (0, 83%) | <i>Azoarcus</i> sp. BH72 (0, 85%) |
| <i>mgr_4003*</i> | NapG, soluble protein (1) (272, 28.92, 7.44) | <i>amb2689</i> (2e-125, 78%) | <i>magn03008204</i> (4e-124, 79%) | <i>mmc1_1590</i> (4e-93, 71%) | <i>Laribacter hongkongensis</i> HLHK9 (3e-111, 78%) |
| <i>mgr_4004*</i> | NapH, membrane protein (1) (304, 32.72, 9.42) | <i>amb2688</i> (9e-132, 77%) | <i>magn03008205</i> (3e-125, 77%) | <i>mmc1_1589</i> (4e-85, 65%) | <i>Dechloromonas aromatica</i> RCB (3e-112, 70%) |
| <i>mgr_4005*</i> | NapB, NR subunit, a c-type cytochrome (6) (148, 16.44, 8.66) | <i>amb2687</i> (1e-63, 79%) | <i>magn03008206</i> (1e-66, 79%) | <i>mmc1_1588</i> (8e-31, 56%) | <i>Pseudovibrio</i> sp. JE062 (5e-38, 65%) |
| <i>mgr_4006*</i> | NapC, a membrane-bound tetraheme (6) (222, 25.53, 8.91) | <i>amb2686</i> (3e-115, 87%) | <i>magn03008207</i> (4e-114, 87%) | <i>mmc1_1587</i> (4e-77, 72%) | <i>Pseudovibrio</i> sp. JE062 (4e-90, 71%) |
| <i>mgr_1052</i> | Nitrite reductase, NirS (540, 59.26, 8.81) | <i>amb1395</i> (0, 91%) <i>amb4165</i> (0, 78%) | <i>magn03008451</i> (0, 91%) | – | <i>Dechlorosoma suillum</i> PS (0, 90%) |

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|------------------|--|---------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|---|
| <i>mgr_3484*</i> | Nitric-oxide reductase subunit C, NorC (149, 16.23, 6.90) | <i>amb2945</i> (5e-84, 88%) | – | <i>mmc_0121</i> (4e-57, 72%) | <i>Nitrosococcus halophilus</i> Nc4 (1e-74, 81%) |
| <i>mgr_3485*</i> | Nitric-oxide reductase subunit B, NorB (445, 50.35, 8.82) | <i>amb2944</i> (0, 93%) | – | <i>mmc_0120</i> (1e-179, 73%) | <i>Azospirillum sp.</i> B510 (0, 87%) |
| <i>mgr_3486</i> | NorQ (262, 28.95, 5.40) | <i>amb2943</i> (1e-151, 90%) | – | <i>mmc_0119</i> (1e-108, 77%) | <i>Halomonas halodenitrificans</i> (1e-144, 86%) |
| <i>mgr_3487</i> | NorD (632, 70.80, 7.75) | <i>amb2942</i> (0, 78%) | – | <i>mmc_0117</i> (2e-64, 51%) | <i>Nitrosococcus halophilus</i> Nc4 (0, 70%) |
| <i>mgr_2761*</i> | Nitrous-oxide reductase, NosZ (760, 83.78, 6.06) | <i>amb3086</i> (0, 90%) | <i>magn03008954</i> (9e-145, 92%) <i>magn03007281</i> (0, 88%) | – | <i>Dechlorosoma suillum</i> PS (0, 86%) |

*indicate genes deleted.

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