

Supplementary Materials for

X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy Reveals an Organometallic Ni-C bond in the CO-treated form of Acetyl-CoA Synthase

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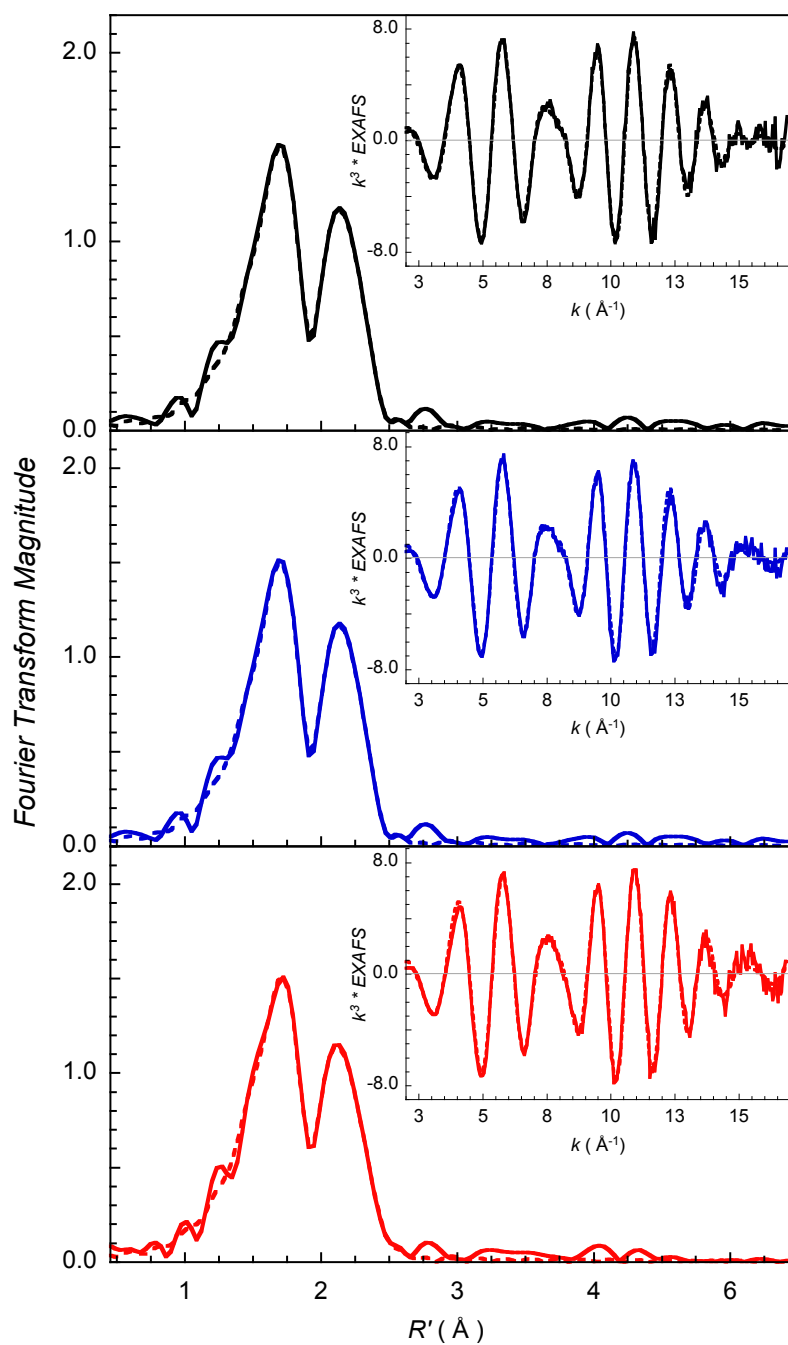


Fig. S1. FEFF fits to the Fe K-edge EXAFS data for the three forms of ACS. FEFF fits to the Fe K-edge EXAFS data for A_{OX} (—), A_{RED} (—) and A_{NiFeC} (—). Non-phase shift corrected Fourier Transform and their corresponding EXAFS (inset) ($k = 2-17 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$). Data (—), Fit (---)

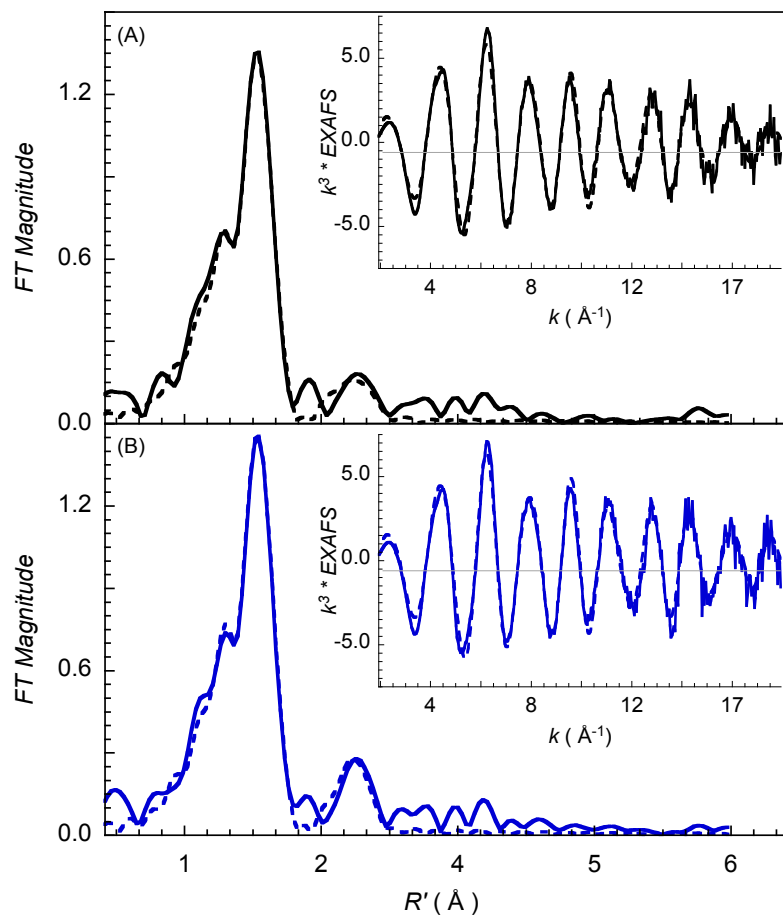


Fig. S2. FEFF fits to the Ni K-edge EXAFS data for the A_{OX} and A_{RED} forms of ACS. FEFF fits to the Ni-EXAFS data for A_{OX} (A) and A_{RED} (B). Non-phase shift corrected Fourier Transform and their corresponding EXAFS (inset) ($k = 2\text{-}18.6 \text{ Å}^{-1}$). Data (—), Fit (----)

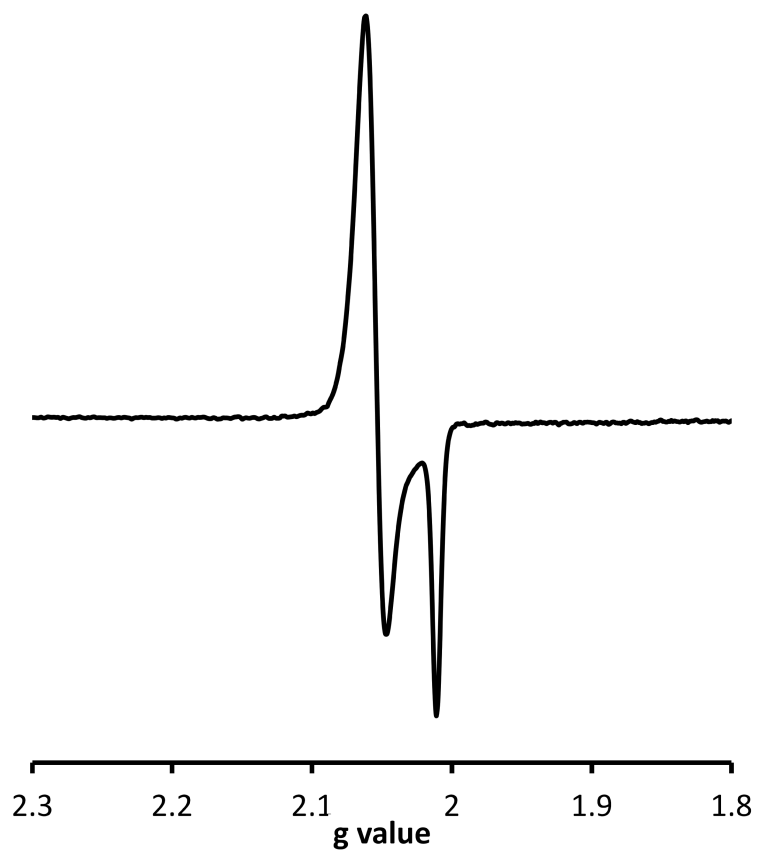


Fig. S3. EPR spectrum of the A_{NiFeC} sample used in these studies.

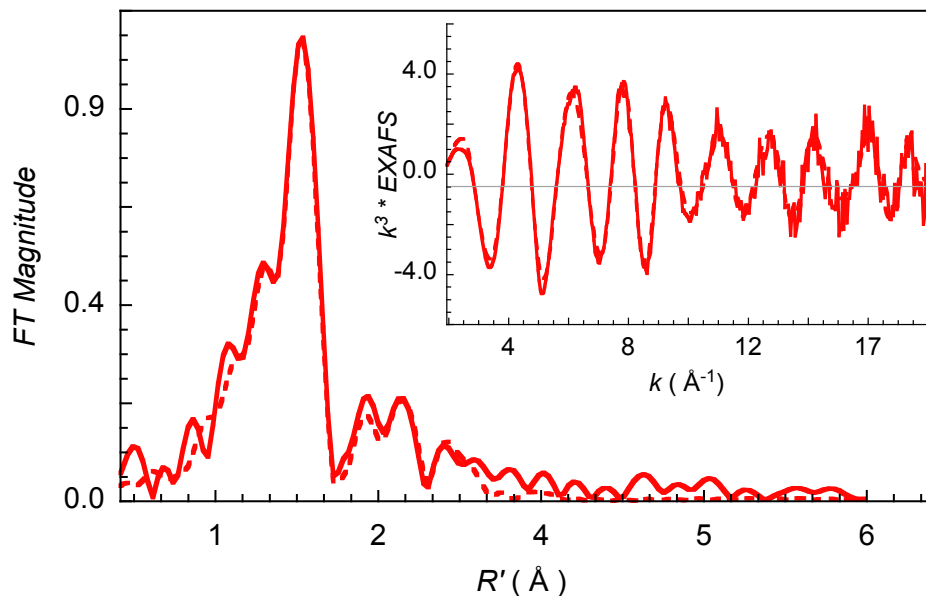


Fig. S4. FEFF fits to the Ni K-edge EXAFS data for the CO-bound form of ACS. FEFF fits to the Ni-EXAFS data for A_{NiFeC} . Non-phase shift corrected Fourier Transform and their corresponding EXAFS (inset) ($k = 2\text{-}18.6 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$). Data (—), Fit (----)

Table S1. Fe K-edge EXAFS Curve-Fitting Results for ACS

ACS	Coordination/Path	R(Å) ^a	σ ² (Å ²) ^b	ΔE ₀ (eV)	F ^c
A _{OX}	4 Fe-S	2.30	486	-7.64	0.27
	2.5 Fe-Fe ^d	2.73	459		
	1 Fe-C	2.94 ^e	182		
A _{RED}	4 Fe-S	2.30	512	-7.49	0.29
	2.5 Fe-Fe ^a	2.73	484		
	1 Fe-C	2.94 ^e	402		
A _{NiFeC}	4 Fe-S	2.30	466	-7.45	0.34
	2.5 Fe-Fe ^a	2.73	479		
	1 Fe-C	2.96 ^e	204		

^aThe estimated standard deviations for the distances are in order of ± 0.02 Å.

^bThe σ² values are multiplied by 10⁵. A / indicates that the σ² value was linked to the previous path. ^cError is given by [Σ[(χ_{obsd} - χ_{calcd})² k⁶]/(N_{data} - N_{var})].

^dThe data can accommodate 3 Fe-Fe contributions with slightly worse Error values. The bond distances and rest of the fit parameters remain unchanged.

^eThe Fe-C component results from the cysteine carbon. It has a very small contribution to the EXAFS data. The S₀² factor was set at 1.

Table S2. Previously published EXAFS data on ACS

	Lindahl 1995 ¹		Lindahl 1998 ²	Cramer 2003 ³		Svetlitchnyi 2004 ^{a,4}	Schrapers 2016 ⁵	
	As-iso	Reduced	Phen-treated	As-iso	Ti ³⁺ -Treated	Oxidized	Oxidized	Reduced
Ni-N	(2) 1.89	(2) 1.89	(2) 1.87	(1.5) 1.89	(1.5) 1.89	(2) 1.86	(1-2) 1.98	(1-2) 1.99
Ni-S	(2) 2.19	(2) 2.19	(2) 2.20	(2.5) 2.19	(2.5) 2.19	(2.5) 2.17	(2) 2.2	(2) 2.24
Ni-O/S						(0.5) 2.32	(1) 2.60 ^b	(1) 2.62 ^b
Ni-Fe					(0.5) 2.80	(0.5) 2.71	(0.5) 2.69	(0.5) 2.64
Ni-Ni				(1) 2.96	(1) 2.97	(1) 2.89	(0.5) 2.91	(0.5) 2.98

^aThe average Ni-ligand distance is reproduced here. ^bThis is a Ni-S interaction.

Table S3. The DFT calculated Löwdin Spin Densities of A_{NiFeC}

The spin-densities reported in Table S3 shows that the $[\text{Fe}_4\text{S}_4]^{2+}$ cluster has converged to the correct ground state for both A_{OX} and A_{NiFeC} with two Fe(III) and two Fe(II) centers that are antiferromagnetically coupled with the Fe_4S_4

	Löwdin Spin Population	
	A_{OX}	A_{NiFeC}
Ni_p	0.09	0.49
Ni_d	0.00	0.25
Fe_1	3.10	3.04
Fe_2	-2.99	2.98
Fe_3	-3.08	-3.00
Fe_4	2.99	-3.00
Four Sulfide of $4\text{Fe}_4\text{S}$	0.02	0.02
Bridging Cysteine	0.05	-0.01
Remaining Cysteine	-0.18	0.19
Protein backbone ligand	0.01	0.06
$\text{H}_2\text{O}/\text{CO}$	0.01	-0.04

Table S4. The DFT calculated Molecular Orbital Contributions of the valance orbitals of A_{NiFeC} resulting in the Ni K-pre-edge transition.

	0a -> 284a	0a -> 285a	0b -> 273b	0b -> 284b	0b -> 285b
Ni_p , D orbitals only	12.1	11.1	34.0	14.1	12.8
Ni_d , D orbitals only	0.3	0.6	17.1	0.3	0.7
$4\text{Fe}_4\text{S}$ cluster	0.8	2.8	21.5	0.2	1.9
CO ligand	58.3	69.1	2.9	53.2	67.8
Bridging Cysteine ligand	2.3	7.1	15.2	1.8	7.2
Remaining Cysteine ligands	0.1	0.2	1.0	0.1	0.2
N atoms of amidate, N only	0.1	0.1	1.5	0.1	0.2
Remaining amidate ligand	26.0	9.1	6.5	30.2	9.4

The Mulliken MO populations reported above shows that the orbitals involved in the Ni K-pre-edge transition (the two alpha and three beta LUMO orbitals) are strongly delocalized over the two Ni centers, the bridged S(Cys) groups and the $[\text{Fe}_4\text{S}_4]^{2+}$ cluster. TD-DFT contribution to the pre-edge reported in Table S4 are at least 5% or higher of the total TD-DFT intensity. This includes a contribution from orbitals with strong Ni_d d orbital contribution (both alpha and beta). Due its square planar nature, the sum of total contribution from these orbitals is < 9% consistent with dominant quadrupole character.

EXAMPLE of input file for optimization of A_{NiFeC} :

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# GO NiFeC active site, fully optimized with 6 alpha carbons fixed. 1RU3 structure modified  
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! UKS BP86 normalscf opt SlowConv grid4 nofinalgrid PAL8
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%output PrintLevel Normal  
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end
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%cosmo epsilon 7  
end
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%basis basis TZVP  
end
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DIISMAXEq 20  
directresetfreq 1  
end
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end  
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Ni    0.00000    0.00000    2.82804 newgto "TZVPP" end  
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C    -6.60172   -4.14251   -4.15938  
S    -5.31721   -3.10937   -5.08857  
C     0.76978   -3.80939   -2.68858  
C     0.28694   -3.11375   -1.41892  
S    -0.20223   -1.41714   -1.75705
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C	-3.84846	3.19072	-0.33406
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H	-2.51652	3.29349	6.42824
H	-3.45742	2.32713	5.31743
O	1.97417	1.64999	-0.98184
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