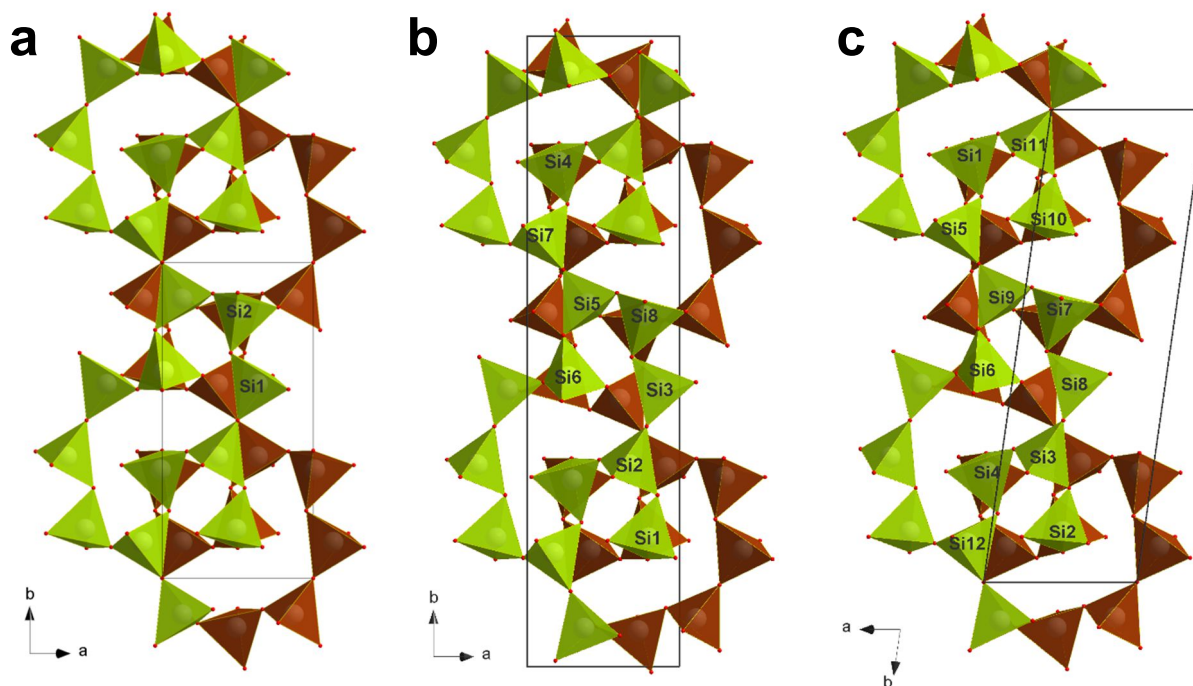


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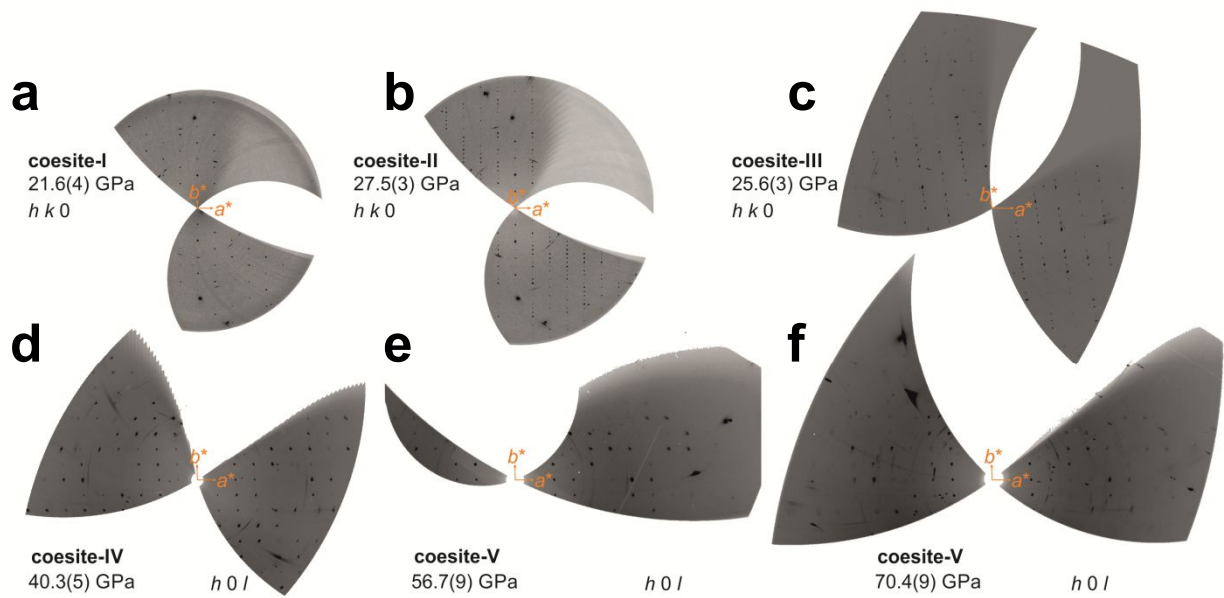
## Supplementary information



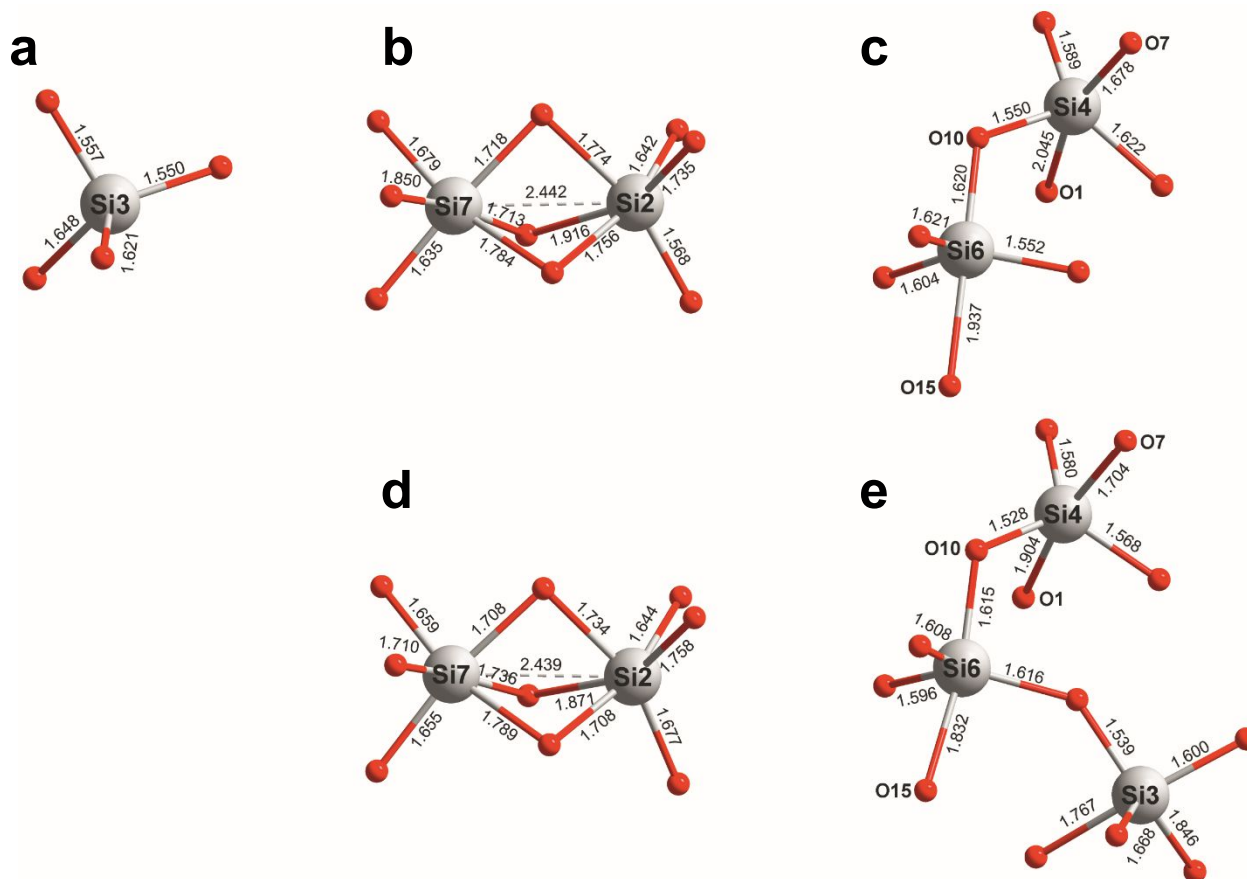
**Supplementary Figure 1. Crystal structures of coesite-I (a, 20.3(15) GPa)<sup>1</sup>, coesite-II (b, 27.52(13) GPa)<sup>1</sup>, and coesite-III (c, 27.9(5) GPa).** Although structural elements in all three phases are very similar, there are significant differences: in coesite-I two crystallographically independent silicon atoms locate in relatively weakly distorted tetrahedra (bond angle variance, BAV, equals 2.0 and 12.1 squared degrees), in coesite –II there are eight different significantly distorted tetrahedra (BAV ranges from 6.3 to 43.0 squared degrees), and in triclinic coesite-III there are twelve types of SiO<sub>4</sub> polyhedra distorted stronger (BAV ranges from 10.0 to 62.5 squared degrees). Bond angle variance was determined with VESTA software<sup>2</sup>. The value is calculated according to the following formula:

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{i=1}^m (\phi_i - \phi_0)^2$$

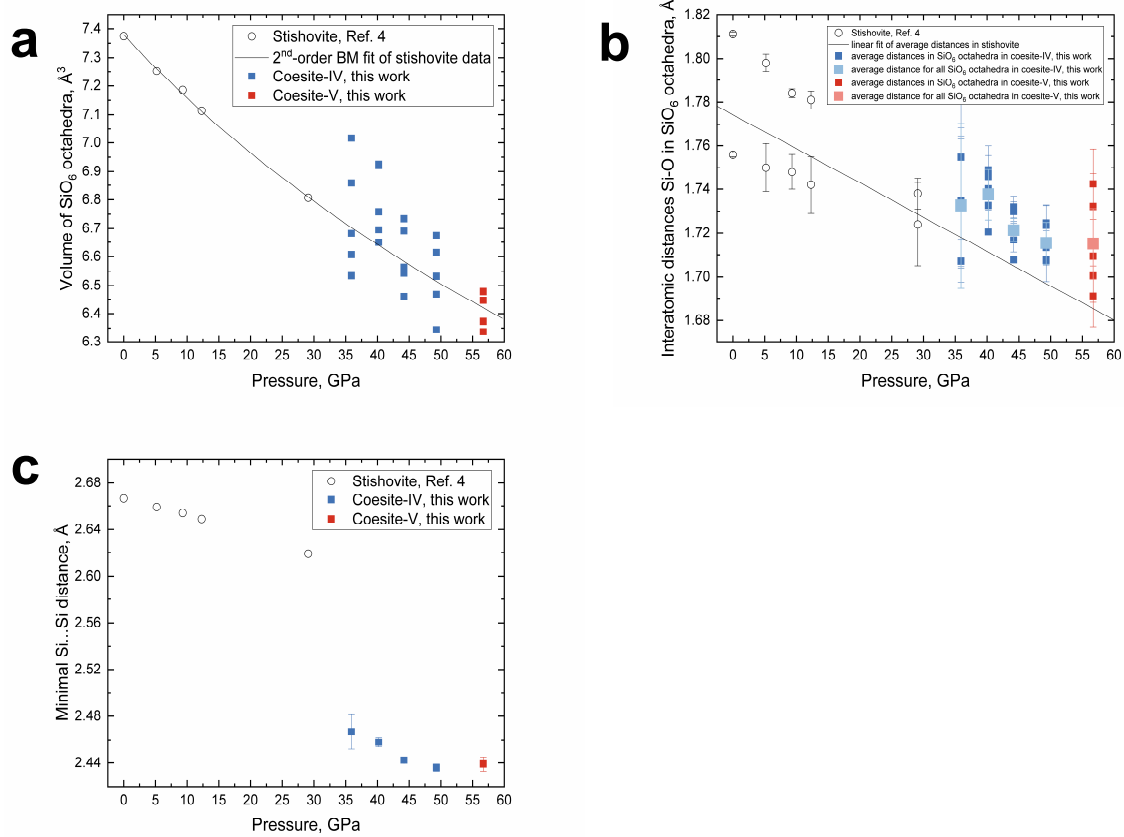
where  $m$  is (number of faces in the polyhedron)\*3/2 (i.e., number of bond angles),  $\phi_i$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  bond angle, and  $\phi_0$  is the ideal bond angle for a regular polyhedron<sup>3</sup>



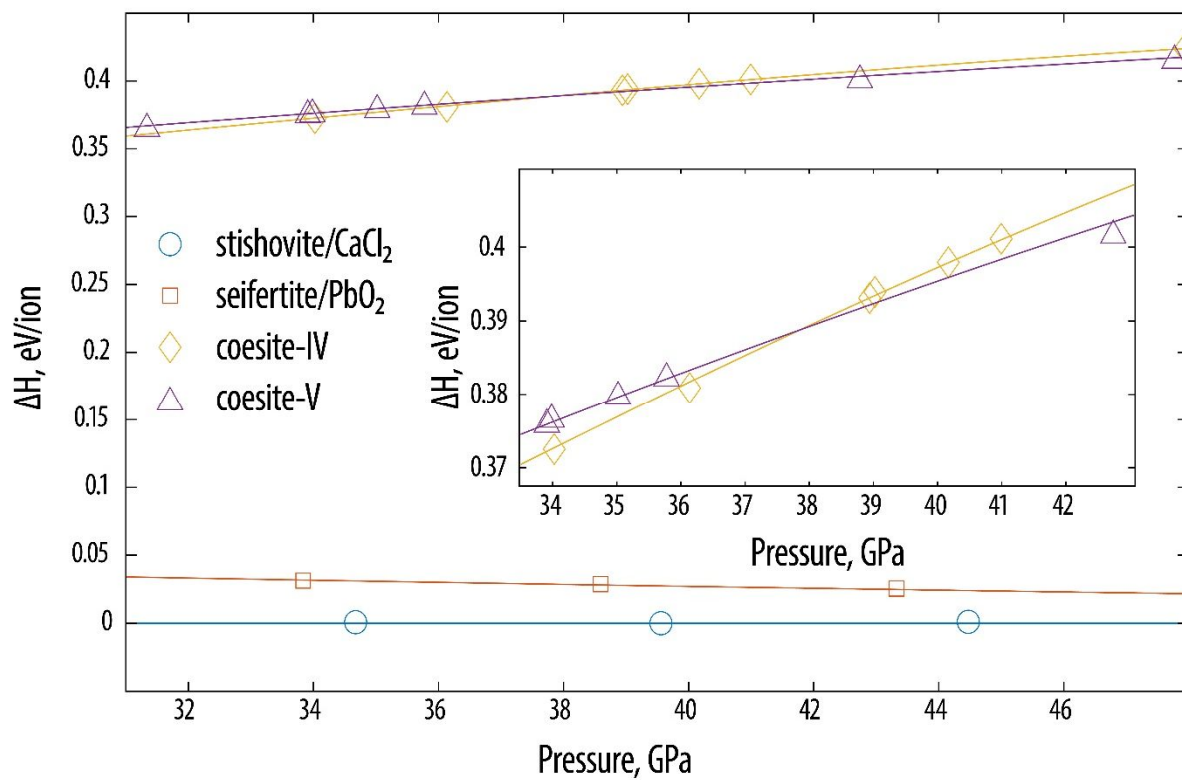
**Supplementary Figure 2. Reciprocal space reconstructions for coesite phases.** For coesite-I, II, and III having similar crystal structures we selected  $h k 0$  plane for reconstructions (**a**, **b**, **c**, respectively). Above 22 GPa additional reflections with  $\frac{1}{2} b^*$  appear (**b**), manifesting the transition from coesite-I to coesite-II with doubling of unit cell parameter  $b$ . One can see emerging of the new reflections above 25 GPa along the  $b^*$ -axis belonging to coesite-III (**c**). For coesite-IV (**d**) and V (**e** and **f**) we selected  $h 0 l$  plane in order to keep approximately the orientation of the initial crystal. Upon compression the quality of the coesite-V crystal decreases, however it doesn't amorphize up to the highest pressure reached (70.4(9) GPa).



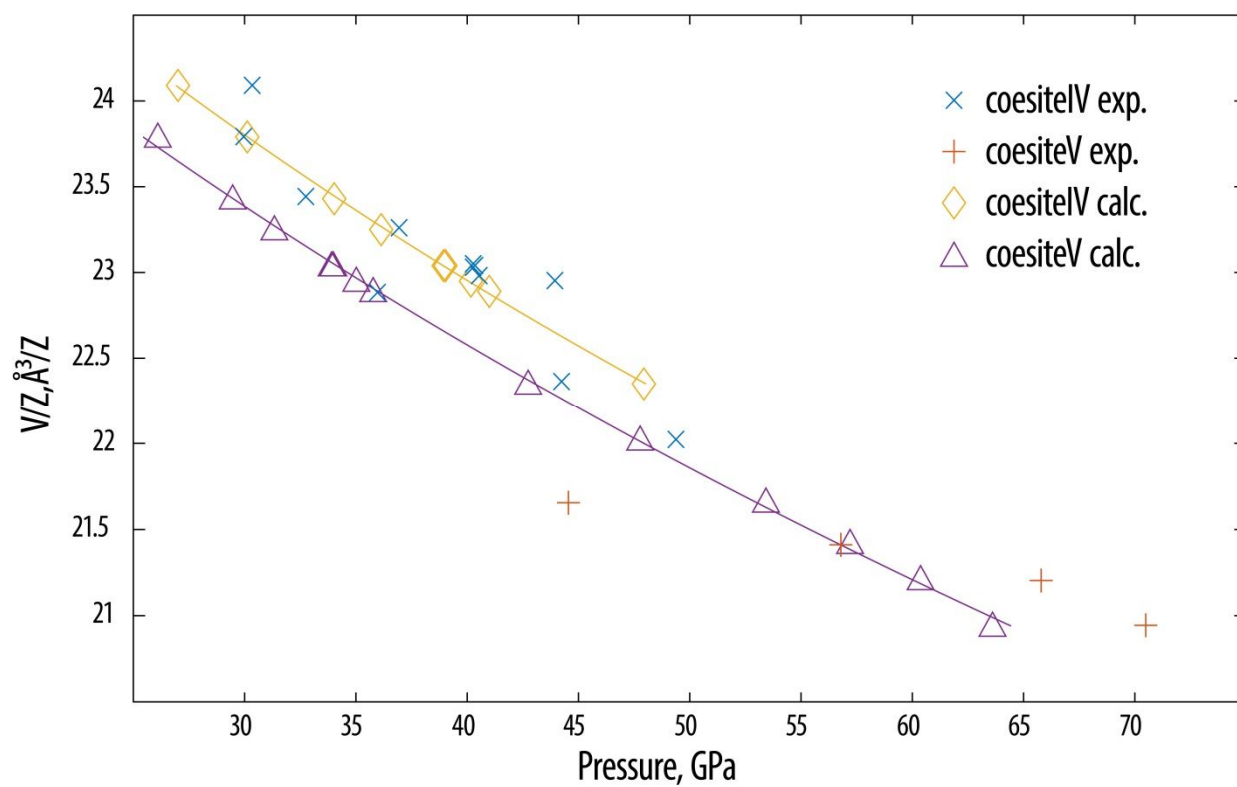
**Supplementary Figure 3. Ball and stick models of polyhedra representing building blocks of the structures of coesite-IV and coesite-V.** Coesite-IV (dimensions as at 44.2(4) GPa): SiO<sub>4</sub> tetrahedron (a); two SiO<sub>6</sub> octahedra sharing a face (b); two SiO<sub>5</sub> polyhedra sharing a corner (c); coesite-V (dimensions as at 56.8(9) GPa): two SiO<sub>6</sub> octahedra sharing a face (d); three SiO<sub>5</sub> polyhedra with common corners (e).



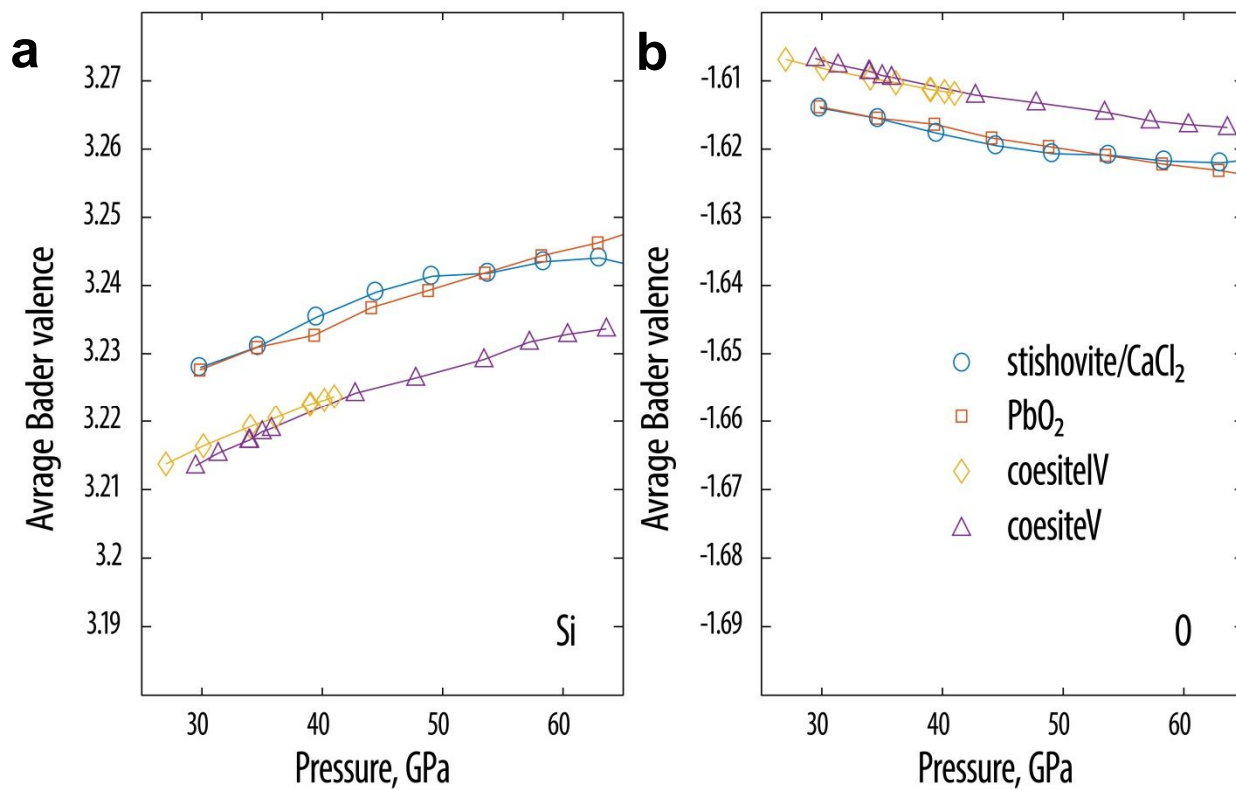
**Supplementary Figure 4. Geometric characteristics of crystal structures of coesite-IV (blue squares) and coesite-V (red squares) compared to stishovite (open circles). a,** Scatter graph shows volumes of  $\text{SiO}_6$  octahedra and black line represents the fit of volumes in stishovite with the 2<sup>nd</sup> order Birch-Murnaghan equation of state ( $V_0=7.38(1) \text{ \AA}^3$ ,  $K_{0,300}=308(3) \text{ GPa}$ )<sup>4</sup>. **b,** Scatter graph represents individual Si-O distances in  $\text{SiO}_6$  octahedra. For coesite phases the distances for each octahedron were averaged and only these average distances are shown. Light blue and rose squares are the Si-O distances averaged for all  $\text{SiO}_6$  octahedra in coesite high-pressure phases. Black line is the linear extrapolation of the average Si-O distance in stishovite<sup>4</sup>. **c,** Scatter graph shows minimal Si...Si distances.



**Supplementary Figure 5.** Enthalpy difference between different silica phases – stishovite/ $\text{CaCl}_2$ -type, seifertite ( $\alpha$ - $\text{PbO}_2$ -type), coesite-IV, and coesite-V. The data points are the DFT results calculated with the AM05 functional.

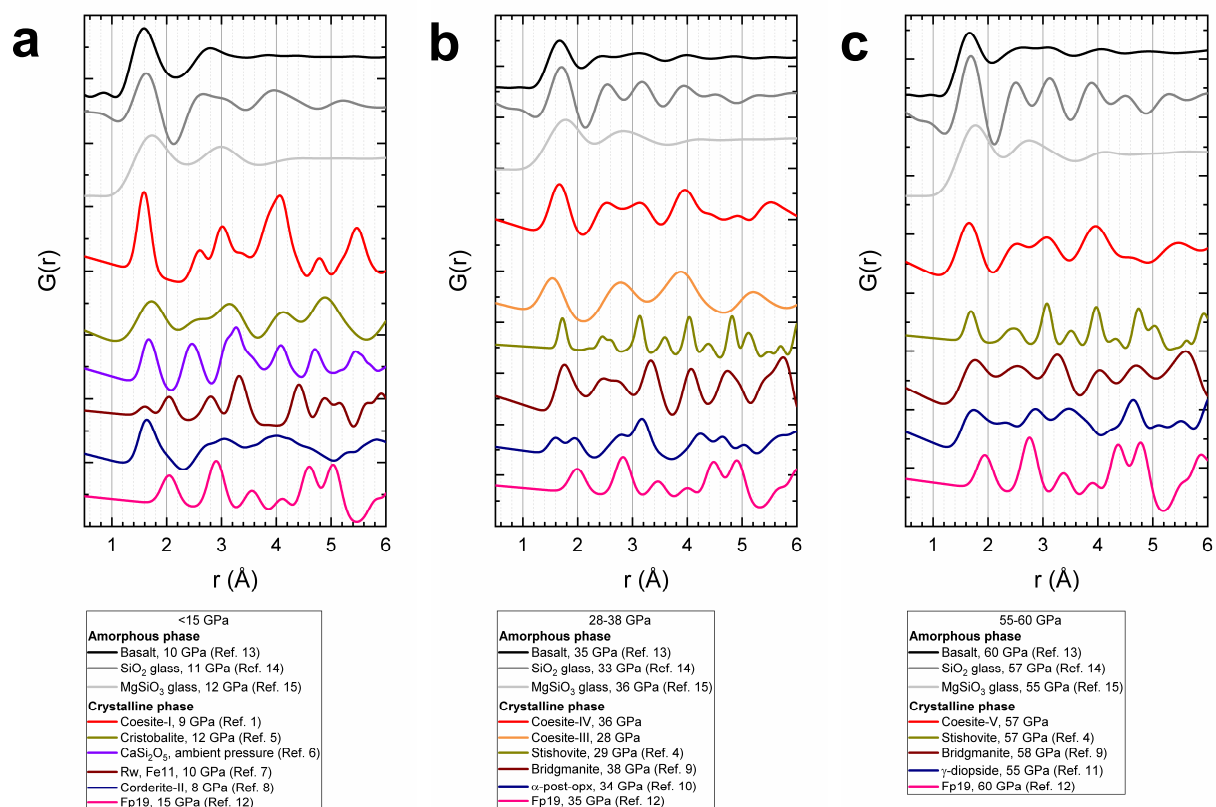


**Supplementary Figure 6.** Pressure dependence of volumes (per formula unit) of coesite-IV and coesite-V as calculated ab initio (at 0 K). Calculated values shown by yellow diamonds (coesite-IV) and purple triangles (coesite-V). Experimental values shown by crosses.

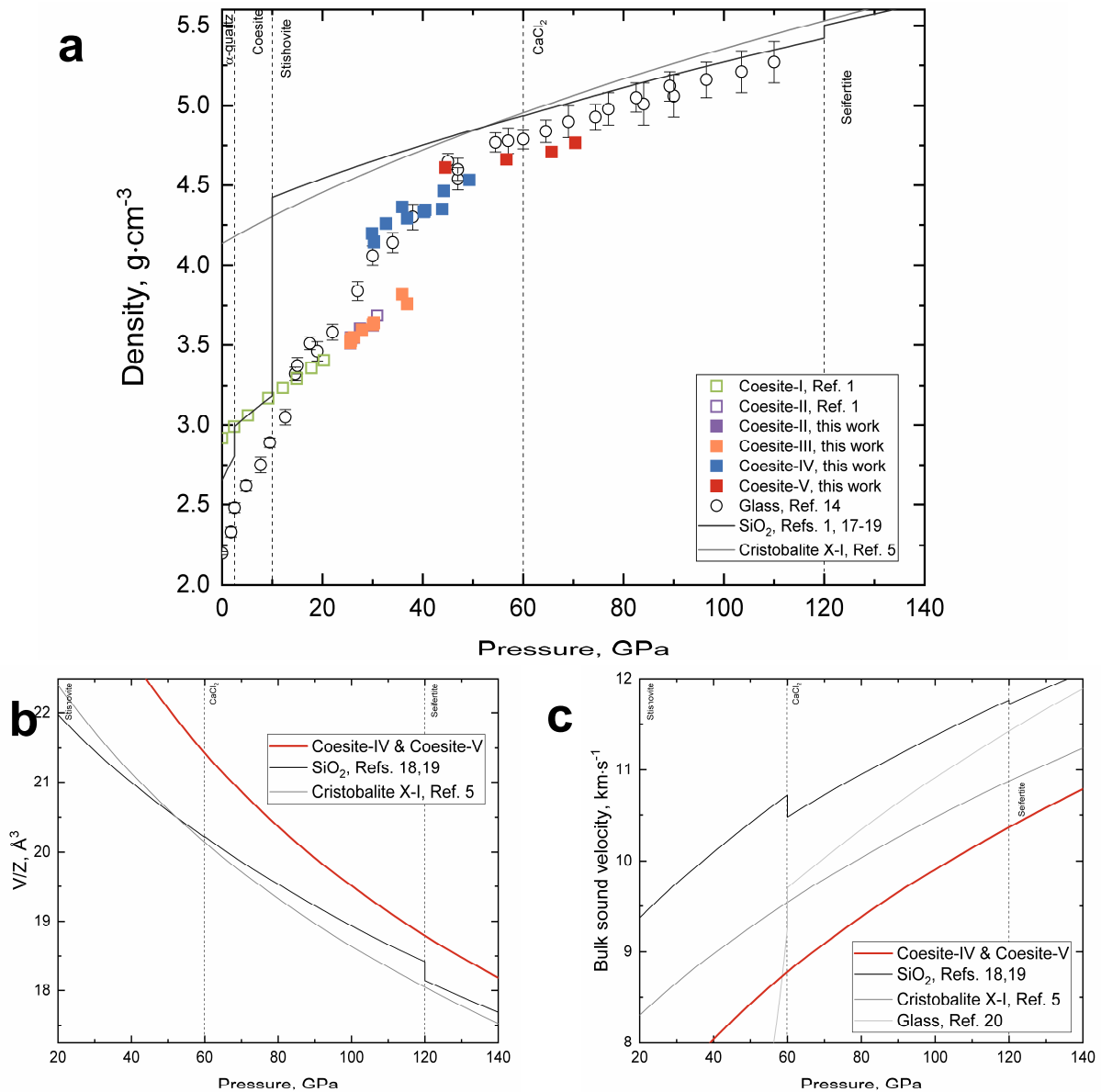


**Supplementary Figure 7.** Charges of silicon (a) and oxygen (b) atoms in different silica polymorphs as function of pressure as obtained by Bader analysis based on *ab initio* calculations.

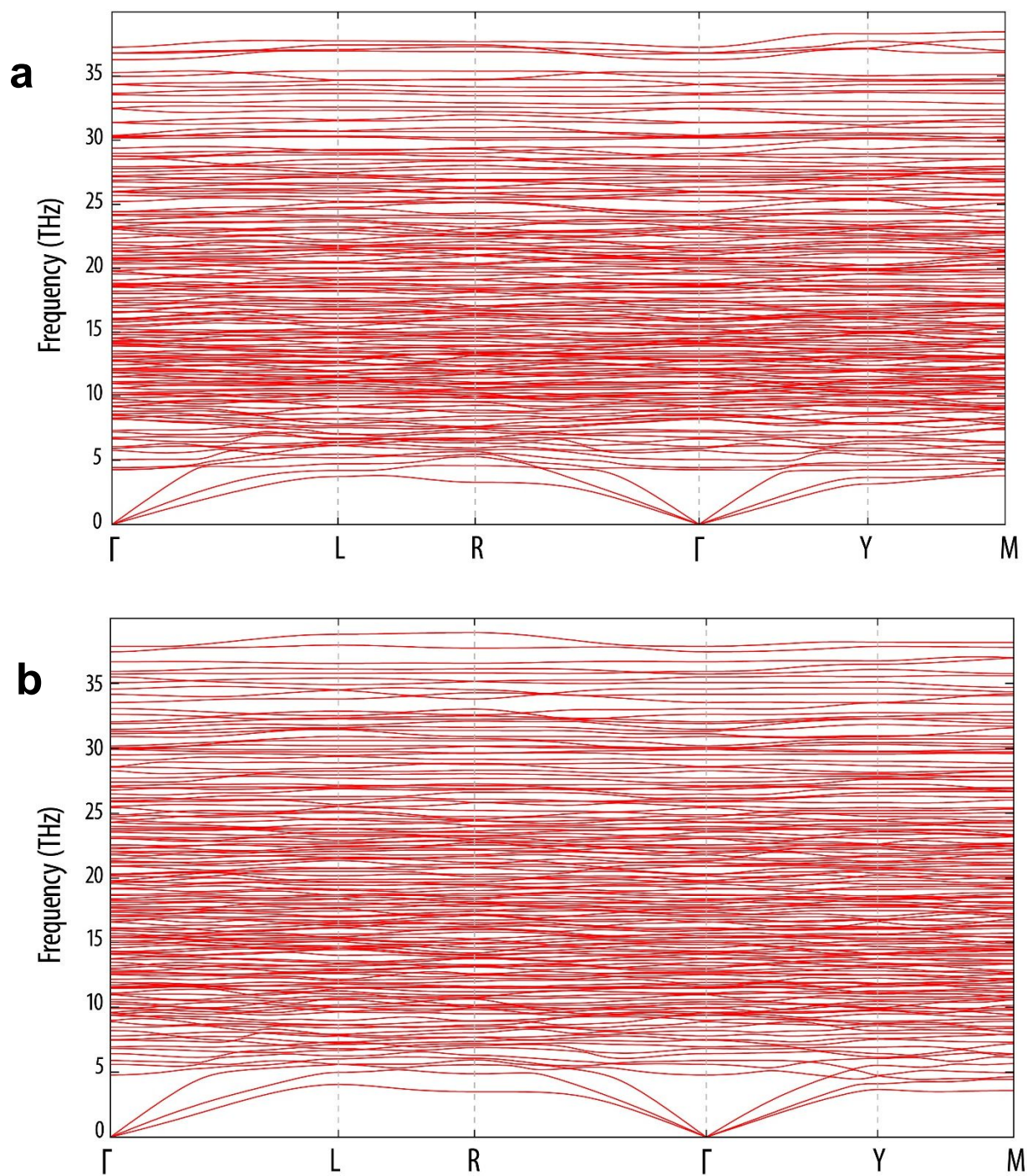




**Supplementary Figure 8. Pair distribution functions calculated for silica polymorphs (this work and Refs. 1,4,5), silicates<sup>6-11</sup> and ferropericlasite (Fp19)<sup>12</sup> compared with those for basalt<sup>13</sup>, silica<sup>14</sup> and MgSiO<sub>3</sub><sup>15</sup> glass measured at different pressures: a, below 15 GPa; b, in the range from 28 to 38 GPa; c, in the range from 55 to 60 GPa.**



**Supplementary Figure 9. Elasticity of various silica phases compared to high-pressure phases of coesite.** **a**, Scatter graph represent experimental density values taken for coesite phases (open squares are previous data reported in Refs. 1,16 and filled squares are the data collected in this work) and silica glass (open circles)<sup>14</sup>. Black line shows density of  $\text{SiO}_2$  equilibrium phases<sup>1,17-19</sup>. Grey line represents calculated density of cristobalite X-I<sup>5</sup>. **b**, Solid black line shows pressure dependence of volumes (per formula unit) calculated using experimental equations of state of equilibrium silica phases (stishovite,  $\text{CaCl}_2$ -type, and seifertite)<sup>19</sup> and dark grey line is the similar dependence for cristobalite X-I<sup>5</sup>. Combined pressure-volume data for coesite-IV and coesite-V was fitted with 2<sup>nd</sup> Birch-Murnaghan equation of state ( $V_{32.7}/Z=23.44(3) \text{\AA}^3$ ,  $K_{32.7}=254(9) \text{ GPa}$ ) shown on the graph by solid red line. **c**, Solid lines show pressure dependence of bulk sound velocities calculated for equilibrium silica phases (stishovite,  $\text{CaCl}_2$ -type, and seifertite; black line)<sup>19</sup>, silica glass (dark grey line)<sup>20</sup>, cristobalite X-I (light grey line)<sup>5</sup> and for combined dataset coesite-IV + coesite-V.



**Supplementary Figure 10.** Phonon dispersion relation calculated in the harmonic approximation for coesite-IV (**a**) and coesite-V (**b**). The unit cell volume of coesite-IV is  $368.50 \text{ \AA}^3$  and corresponds to a theoretical pressure of 39 GPa at 0 K; the unit cell volume of coesite-V is  $342.57 \text{ \AA}^3$  and corresponds to a theoretical pressure of 57 GPa at 0 K (see also Supplementary Table 4).

**Supplementary Table 1.** Summary of the high-pressure single-crystal XRD experiments on coesite

| Crystal #    | Pressure, GPa | Phase composition | Experimental details<br>(beamline, wavelength, detector, focusing, beamsize)                 | Data collection<br>( $\omega$ range, step size)   |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------|--|---|
| <b>DAC#1</b> |               |                   |  |   |
| c1           | 5.8(5)        | coe-I             | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.29004 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR345dtb, 2.5(H)x1.4(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$            | from -26 to +26°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 27.9(5)       | coe-III           | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.29004 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR345dtb, 2.5(H)x1.4(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$            | from -26 to +26°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 35.9(7)       | coe-III<br>coe-IV | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.29004 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR345dtb, 2.5(H)x1.4(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$            | from -26 to +26°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 44.5(5)       | coe-IV<br>coe-V   | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.29004 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR345dtb, 2.5(H)x1.4(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$            | from -26 to +26°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 57.1(6)       | coe-V             | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.29004 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR345dtb, 2.5(H)x1.4(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$            | from -26 to +26°, 1° step   |
| <b>DAC#2</b> |               |                   |  |   |
| c1           | 14.2(3)       | coe-I             | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.29056 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR345dtb, 2.6(H)x1.3(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$            | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 21.6(4)       | coe-I             | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.29056 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR345dtb, 2.6(H)x1.3(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$            | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 27.5(3)       | coe-II            | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.29056 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR345dtb, 2.6(H)x1.3(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$            | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c2           | 27.9(4)       | coe-II<br>coe-III | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.29004 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR345dtb, 2.5(H)x1.4(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$            | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 29.9(6)       | coe-II<br>coe-IV  | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.29004 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR345dtb, 2.5(H)x1.4(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$            | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 32.7(5)       | coe-II<br>coe-IV  | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.29004 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR345dtb, 2.5(H)x1.4(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$            | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 43.8(5)       | coe-IV            | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.29056 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR345dtb, 2.6(H)x1.3(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$            | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 43.9(4)       | coe-IV            | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.29056 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR345dtb, 2.6(H)x1.3(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$            | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| <b>DAC#3</b> |               |                   |  |   |
| c1           | 5.3(5)        | coe-I             | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c2           | 5.5(5)        | coe-I             | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 25.6(3)       | coe-II<br>coe-III | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 25.6(3)       | coe-III           | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step,<br>10x less intensity of the primary beam                        |
| c1           | 25.7(3)       | coe-II<br>coe-III | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step,<br>DAC rotated by 90°  |
| c1           | 25.8(3)       | coe-III           | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step,<br>10x less intensity of the primary beam,<br>DAC rotated by 90° |
| c2           | 26.3(3)       | coe-II<br>coe-III | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 30.3(4)       | coe-III<br>coe-IV | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c2           | 30.1(4)       | coe-II<br>coe-III | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 36.9(4)       | coe-III<br>coe-IV | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 40.3(5)       | coe-IV            | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step   |
| c1           | 40.5(4)       | coe-IV            | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step,<br>10x less intensity of the primary beam,                       |
| c1           | 40.2(7)       | coe-IV            | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step,<br>DAC rotated by 90°  |
| c1           | 40.2(7)       | coe-IV            | ID09A, $\lambda = 0.41273 \text{ \AA}$ , MAR555, 10(H)x10(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$                 | from -40 to +40°, 1° step,<br>10x less intensity of the primary beam,<br>DAC rotated by 90° |
| c1           | 44.2(4)       | coe-IV            | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.28965 \text{ \AA}$ , Perkin Elmer XRD1621, 7.5(H)x3.5(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$ | from -40 to +29°, 0.25° step  |
| c1           | 49.3(8)       | coe-IV            | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.28965 \text{ \AA}$ , Perkin Elmer XRD1621, 7.5(H)x3.5(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$ | from -40 to +29°, 0.25° step  |
| c1           | 56.7(9)       | coe-V             | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.28965 \text{ \AA}$ , Perkin Elmer XRD1621, 7.5(H)x3.5(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$ | from -40 to +29°, 0.25° step  |
| c1           | 65.7(9)       | coe-V             | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.28965 \text{ \AA}$ , Perkin Elmer XRD1621, 7.5(H)x3.5(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$ | from -40 to +29°, 0.25° step  |
| c1           | 70.4(9)       | coe-V             | P02.2, $\lambda = 0.28965 \text{ \AA}$ , Perkin Elmer XRD1621, 7.5(H)x3.5(V) $\mu\text{m}^2$ | from -40 to +29°, 0.5° step   |

**Supplementary Table 2.** Unit cell parameters of high-pressure phases of coesite summarized from current experimental results

| Pressure, GPa   | <i>a</i> , Å | <i>b</i> , Å | <i>c</i> , Å | $\alpha$ , ° | $\beta$ , ° | $\gamma$ , ° | <i>V</i> , Å <sup>3</sup> | <i>V</i> / <i>Z</i> , Å <sup>3</sup> | Sample ID |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| <b>Coesite-II, <i>P</i><sub>21/n</sub>, <i>Z</i> = 32</b> |              |              |              |              |             |              |                           |                                      |           |
| 25.6(3)   | 6.632(3)     | 23.401(5)    | 6.891(6)     | 90           | 121.67(9)   | 90           | 910.2(9)                  | 28.44(3)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 25.7(3)   | 6.613(4)     | 23.352(6)    | 6.837(3)     | 90           | 121.44(8)   | 90           | 900.9(8)                  | 28.15(3)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 26.3(3)   | 6.566(1)     | 23.320(2)    | 6.848(2)     | 90           | 120.75(3)   | 90           | 901.1(3)                  | 28.159(9)                            | DAC#3, c1 |
| 30.1(4)   | 6.534(2)     | 23.157(3)    | 6.783(4)     | 90           | 120.78(6)   | 90           | 881.7(6)                  | 27.55(2)                             | DAC#3, c2 |
| <b>Coesite-III, <i>P</i>-1, <i>Z</i> = 24</b>             |              |              |              |              |             |              |                           |                                      |           |
| 25.6(3)   | 6.591(3)     | 17.879(4)    | 6.881(4)     | 82.63(3)     | 121.11(5)   | 87.12(3)     | 682.0(5)                  | 28.42(2)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 25.6(3)   | 6.587(2)     | 17.881(3)    | 6.853(3)     | 82.56(2)     | 120.96(4)   | 87.09(2)     | 679.8(3)                  | 28.32(1)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 25.8(3)   | 6.583(3)     | 17.894(4)    | 6.804(3)     | 82.46(3)     | 120.70(5)   | 86.98(2)     | 676.5(4)                  | 28.19(2)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 25.7(3)   | 6.604(2)     | 17.901(3)    | 6.825(2)     | 82.65(2)     | 120.90(3)   | 86.84(2)     | 679.7(3)                  | 28.32(1)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 26.3(3)   | 6.5741(7)    | 17.848(4)    | 6.815(3)     | 82.62(3)     | 120.68(3)   | 86.95(2)     | 675.3(4)                  | 28.14(2)                             | DAC#3, c2 |
| 27.9(5)   | 6.571(3)     | 17.790(7)    | 6.766(4)     | 82.14(4)     | 120.81(6)   | 87.13(3)     | 666.2(6)                  | 27.76(3)                             | DAC#1, c1 |
| 27.9(4)   | 6.551(1)     | 17.764(4)    | 6.789(2)     | 82.57(2)     | 120.79(3)   | 86.97(2)     | 666.5(3)                  | 27.77(1)                             | DAC#2, c2 |
| 30.3(4)   | 6.564(2)     | 17.640(5)    | 6.710(3)     | 82.11(3)     | 119.99(4)   | 86.36(3)     | 658.5(4)                  | 27.44(2)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 30.1(4)   | 6.537(2)     | 17.754(7)    | 6.755(4)     | 82.71(4)     | 120.81(5)   | 86.53(3)     | 660.5(5)                  | 27.52(2)                             | DAC#3, c2 |
| 35.9(7)   | 6.496(4)     | 17.237(9)    | 6.621(5)     | 82.69(5)     | 120.38(7)   | 86.52(4)     | 627.6(7)                  | 26.15(3)                             | DAC#1, c1 |
| 36.9(4)   | 6.466(5)     | 17.456(7)    | 6.666(5)     | 83.16(5)     | 120.40(8)   | 86.17(5)     | 637.3(7)                  | 26.55(3)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| <b>Coesite-IV, <i>P</i>-1, <i>Z</i> = 16</b>              |              |              |              |              |             |              |                           |                                      |           |
| 29.9(6)   | 6.741(4)     | 7.045(4)     | 8.693(4)     | 69.57(4)     | 82.22(4)    | 80.96(5)     | 380.6(3)                  | 23.79(2)                             | DAC#2 c1  |
| 30.3(4)   | 6.714(2)     | 7.068(3)     | 8.757(4)     | 70.06(4)     | 83.17(3)    | 81.83(3)     | 385.5(2)                  | 24.09(1)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 32.7(5)   | 6.688(4)     | 7.004(4)     | 8.653(4)     | 69.82(5)     | 82.58(4)    | 81.60(5)     | 375.0(4)                  | 23.44(3)                             | DAC#2 c1  |
| 35.9(7)   | 6.524(9)     | 6.942(9)     | 8.674(5)     | 70.07(8)     | 84.05(7)    | 83.6(1)      | 366.1(7)                  | 22.88(4)                             | DAC#1, c1 |
| 36.9(4)   | 6.640(1)     | 6.996(3)     | 8.665(3)     | 69.51(3)     | 83.12(2)    | 81.94(2)     | 372.2(2)                  | 23.26(1)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 40.3(5)   | 6.596(1)     | 6.996(3)     | 8.660(3)     | 69.17(4)     | 83.20(2)    | 81.76(2)     | 368.6(2)                  | 23.04(1)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 40.5(4)   | 6.598(1)     | 6.982(3)     | 8.647(4)     | 69.27(4)     | 83.16(3)    | 81.75(2)     | 367.7(3)                  | 22.98(2)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 40.2(7)   | 6.6017(9)    | 7.005(2)     | 8.649(3)     | 69.09(3)     | 83.13(2)    | 81.75(2)     | 368.8(2)                  | 23.05(1)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 40.2(7)   | 6.5989(8)    | 7.000(2)     | 8.648(3)     | 69.14(3)     | 83.15(2)    | 81.80(2)     | 368.5(2)                  | 23.03(1)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 43.9(4)   | 6.496(6)     | 6.951(6)     | 8.563(6)     | 74.03(7)     | 83.99(6)    | 81.90(7)     | 367.1(5)                  | 22.95(3)                             | DAC#2 c1  |
| 44.2(4)   | 6.5586(4)    | 6.9029(7)    | 8.5429(8)    | 69.599(9)    | 83.035(6)   | 81.933(6)    | 357.83(5)                 | 22.364(3)                            | DAC#3, c1 |
| 49.3(8)   | 6.5175(8)    | 6.875(1)     | 8.494(2)     | 69.61(2)     | 83.29(1)    | 81.99(1)     | 352.35(9)                 | 22.022(6)                            | DAC#3, c1 |
| <b>Coesite-V, <i>P</i>-1, <i>Z</i> = 16</b>               |              |              |              |              |             |              |                           |                                      |           |
| 44.5(5)   | 6.34(1)      | 6.71(1)      | 8.610(6)     | 72.21(9)     | 85.47(8)    | 83.3(1)      | 346.4(8)                  | 21.65(5)                             | DAC#1, c1 |
| 56.7(9)   | 6.403(2)     | 6.768(2)     | 8.400(3)     | 72.40(3)     | 84.02(3)    | 81.64(3)     | 342.6(2)                  | 21.41(1)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 65.7(9)   | 6.397(7)     | 6.754(7)     | 8.34(1)      | 72.8(1)      | 83.8(1)     | 81.3(1)      | 339.2(7)                  | 21.20(4)                             | DAC#3, c1 |
| 70.4(9)   | 6.366(4)     | 6.785(8)     | 8.281(9)     | 71.9(1)      | 83.5(1)     | 81.0(1)      | 335.0(6)                  | 20.94(4)                             | DAC#3, c1 |

**Supplementary Table 3.** Details of crystal structure refinements of coesite high-pressure phases

|   | coesite-III  |   | coesite-IV  |  |   | coesite-V  |
|---|--|---|---|--|---|--|
| <b>Pressure, GPa</b>  | 27.9(5)  | 35.9(7)   | 40.2(7)   | 44.2(4)  | 49.3(8)   | 56.7(9)  |
| <b>Crystal system</b>   | triclinic  | triclinic   | triclinic   | triclinic  | triclinic   | triclinic  |
| <b>Space group</b>  | <i>P</i> -1  | <i>P</i> -1   | <i>P</i> -1   | <i>P</i> -1  | <i>P</i> -1   | <i>P</i> -1  |
| <b><i>a</i> (Å)</b>   | 6.571(3)   | 6.524(9)  | 6.5989(8)   | 6.5586(4)  | 6.5175(8)   | 6.4034(18)   |
| <b><i>b</i> (Å)</b>   | 17.790(7)  | 6.942(9)  | 7.000(2)  | 6.9029(7)  | 6.8754(12)  | 6.768(2)   |
| <b><i>c</i> (Å)</b>   | 6.766(4)   | 8.674(5)  | 8.649(3)  | 8.5429(8)  | 8.4943(15)  | 8.399(3)   |
| <b><math>\alpha</math> (°)</b>  | 82.14(4)   | 70.07(8)  | 69.14(3)  | 69.599(9)  | 69.612(16)  | 72.40(3)   |
| <b><math>\beta</math> (°)</b>   | 120.81(6)  | 84.05(7)  | 83.153(16)  | 83.035(6)  | 83.289(12)  | 84.02(3)   |
| <b><math>\gamma</math> (°)</b>  | 87.13(3)   | 83.63(11)   | 81.801(16)  | 81.933(6)  | 81.990(12)  | 81.64(3)   |
| <b><i>V</i> (Å<sup>3</sup>)</b>   | 666.2(6)   | 366.1(8)  | 368.46(17)  | 357.83(6)  | 352.35(10)  | 342.6(2)   |
| <b><i>Z</i></b>   | 24   | 16  | 16  | 16   | 16  | 16   |
| <b><i>F</i>(000)</b>  | 720  | 480   | 480   | 480  | 480   | 480  |
| <b>Theta range for data collection (°)</b>  | 2.839 to 11.146  | 2.902 to 11.146   | 1.816 to 19.601   | 1.910 to 19.569  | 1.919 to 12.872   | 1.883 to 11.939  |
| <b>Completeness to <i>d</i> = 0.8 Å, %</b>  | 0.253  | 0.255   | 0.421   | 0.37   | 0.366   | 0.308  |
| <b>Index ranges</b>   | -8 < <i>h</i> < 8,<br>-23 < <i>k</i> < 23,<br>-7 < <i>l</i> < 5      | -7 < <i>h</i> < 5,<br>-7 < <i>k</i> < 6,<br>-11 < <i>l</i> < 11 | -9 < <i>h</i> < 10,<br>-6 < <i>k</i> < 8,<br>-8 < <i>l</i> < 11 | -13 < <i>h</i> < 14,<br>-10 < <i>k</i> < 11,<br>-11 < <i>l</i> < 15          | -9 < <i>h</i> < 10,<br>-9 < <i>k</i> < 9,<br>-8 < <i>l</i> < 11 | -8 < <i>h</i> < 9,<br>-6 < <i>k</i> < 8,<br>-7 < <i>l</i> < 10 |
| <b>Reflections collected</b>  | 1295   | 678   | 2051  | 2963   | 1524  | 850  |
| <b>Independent reflections / <i>R</i><sub>int</sub></b>   | 833 / 0.0329   | 452 / 0.0549  | 900 / 0.0742  | 2014 / 0.0395  | 968 / 0.0397  | 672 / 0.0508   |
| <b>Refinement method</b>  | Full matrix least squares on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>                   |   |   |  |   |  |
| <b>Data / restraints / parameters</b>   | 833 / 0 / 143  | 452 / 0 / 97  | 900 / 0 / 97  | 2014 / 0 / 137   | 968 / 0 / 97  | 672 / 0 / 97   |
| <b>Goodness of fit on <i>F</i><sup>2</sup></b>  | 1.625  | 1.122   | 1.109   | 1.167  | 1.124   | 1.044  |
| <b>Final <i>R</i> indices [<i>I</i> &gt; 2σ(<i>I</i>), <i>R</i><sub>1</sub> / <i>wR</i><sub>2</sub></b> | 0.1364 / 0.3472  | 0.0811 / 0.2083   | 0.0884 / 0.2476   | 0.0555 / 0.1277  | 0.0628 / 0.1635   | 0.0728 / 0.1822  |
| <b><i>R</i> indices (all data), <i>R</i><sub>1</sub> / <i>wR</i><sub>2</sub></b>                        | 0.1481 / 0.3632  | 0.1086 / 0.2280   | 0.0961 / 0.2599   | 0.0741 / 0.1399  | 0.0759 / 0.1740   | 0.0892 / 0.2020  |
| <b>Largest diff. peak / hole (e·Å<sup>-3</sup>)</b>   | 1.178 / -1.421   | 0.700 / -0.597  | 1.397 / -0.895  | 0.800 / -0.672   | 0.784 / -0.775  | 0.644 / -0.631   |
| <b>CSD number</b>   | 1860556  | 1860557   | 1860558   | 1860559  | 1860560   | 1860561  |
| <b>Experimental details (beamline, wavelength, detector, beam size)</b>                                 | P02.2, λ = 0.29004 Å,<br>MAR345dtb,<br>2.5(H)x1.4(V) μm <sup>2</sup> |   | ID09A, λ = 0.41273 Å,<br>MAR555,<br>10(H)x10(V) μm <sup>2</sup> | P02.2, λ = 0.28965 Å, Perkin Elmer XRD1621,<br>7.5(H)x3.5(V) μm <sup>2</sup> |   |  |
| <b>Data collection (ω range, step size)</b>   | from -26 to +26°, 1° step  |   | from -40 to +40°,<br>1° step*                                   | from -40 to +29°, 0.25° step   |   |  |

\* *hkl* file was combined from two datasets collected at different orientations of the DAC in order to increase data completeness

**Supplementary Table 4.** Atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters of coesite-III at 27.9(5) GPa

| Atom | <i>x</i>   | <i>y</i>   | <i>z</i> | $U_{\text{iso}} (\text{\AA}^2)$ |
|------|------------|------------|----------|---------------------------------|
| Si1  | 0.4846(15) | 0.0964(5)  | 0.892(3) | 0.0166(12)                      |
| Si2  | 0.4684(16) | 0.1068(6)  | 0.477(3) | 0.0193(13)                      |
| Si3  | 0.2721(15) | 0.2645(6)  | 0.279(3) | 0.0170(12)                      |
| Si4  | 0.0798(15) | 0.7676(5)  | 0.587(3) | 0.0173(12)                      |
| Si5  | 0.4783(15) | 0.7478(5)  | 0.076(3) | 0.0163(12)                      |
| Si6  | 0.2071(16) | 0.5509(6)  | 0.750(3) | 0.0189(13)                      |
| Si7  | 0.2403(16) | 0.5769(6)  | 0.172(3) | 0.0179(12)                      |
| Si8  | 0.4074(15) | 0.4189(5)  | 0.362(3) | 0.0145(12)                      |
| Si9  | 0.1482(17) | 0.3973(6)  | 0.747(3) | 0.0181(12)                      |
| Si10 | 0.0861(15) | 0.7682(6)  | 0.184(3) | 0.0169(12)                      |
| Si11 | 0.1106(15) | 0.0747(5)  | 0.004(3) | 0.0172(13)                      |
| Si12 | 0.1415(16) | 0.9180(6)  | 0.636(3) | 0.0189(12)                      |
| O1   | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.5000   | 0.053(7)                        |
| O2   | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0000   | 0.021(4)                        |
| O3   | 0.489(4)   | 0.0633(14) | 0.679(8) | 0.017(3)                        |
| O4   | 0.207(4)   | 0.0957(14) | 0.253(8) | 0.018(3)                        |
| O5   | 0.246(4)   | 0.9047(16) | 0.900(8) | 0.027(3)                        |
| O6   | 0.027(4)   | 0.1448(13) | 0.483(7) | 0.018(3)                        |
| O7   | 0.469(4)   | 0.1995(14) | 0.478(8) | 0.021(3)                        |
| O8   | 0.374(4)   | 0.1845(13) | 0.818(7) | 0.015(2)                        |
| O9   | 0.072(4)   | 0.2820(14) | 0.331(8) | 0.022(3)                        |
| O10  | 0.279(4)   | 0.7352(13) | 0.133(7) | 0.017(2)                        |
| O11  | 0.328(4)   | 0.3264(13) | 0.815(7) | 0.016(2)                        |
| O12  | 0.495(4)   | 0.4133(14) | 0.617(7) | 0.019(3)                        |
| O13  | 0.243(4)   | 0.6004(14) | 0.953(7) | 0.018(3)                        |
| O14  | 0.060(4)   | 0.4234(15) | 0.493(8) | 0.021(3)                        |
| O15  | 0.196(4)   | 0.4883(14) | 0.226(7) | 0.020(3)                        |
| O16  | 0.273(5)   | 0.4640(16) | 0.884(9) | 0.024(3)                        |
| O17  | 0.369(4)   | 0.5597(15) | 0.645(8) | 0.027(3)                        |
| O18  | 0.368(4)   | 0.3422(14) | 0.267(7) | 0.016(2)                        |
| O19  | 0.040(4)   | 0.6236(14) | 0.183(7) | 0.018(3)                        |
| O20  | 0.182(4)   | 0.2315(15) | 0.054(8) | 0.019(3)                        |
| O21  | 0.348(4)   | 0.7660(15) | 0.792(8) | 0.019(3)                        |
| O22  | 0.104(4)   | 0.7266(15) | 0.403(8) | 0.018(3)                        |
| O23  | 0.084(4)   | 0.8604(14) | 0.180(7) | 0.020(3)                        |
| O24  | 0.355(5)   | 0.9180(16) | 0.601(9) | 0.027(3)                        |
| O25  | 0.324(4)   | 0.0511(14) | 0.964(7) | 0.020(3)                        |

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**Supplementary Table 5.** Atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters of coesite-IV at 35.9(7) GPa

| <b>Atom</b> | <b><i>x</i></b> | <b><i>y</i></b> | <b><i>z</i></b> | <b><math>U_{\text{iso}}</math> (<math>\text{\AA}^2</math>)</b> |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| <b>Si1</b>  | 0.343(2)        | 0.6470(19)      | 0.4574(5)       | 0.0108(11)   |
| <b>Si2</b>  | 0.1921(19)      | 0.5167(19)      | 0.9919(5)       | 0.0113(12)   |
| <b>Si3</b>  | 0.1029(19)      | 0.3115(18)      | 0.6505(5)       | 0.0093(11)   |
| <b>Si4</b>  | 0.496(2)        | 0.330(2)        | 0.2676(5)       | 0.0121(12)   |
| <b>Si5</b>  | 0.349(2)        | 0.1278(18)      | 0.9200(5)       | 0.0099(11)   |
| <b>Si6</b>  | 0.199(2)        | 0.0597(19)      | 0.4397(5)       | 0.0094(12)   |
| <b>Si7</b>  | 0.039(2)        | 0.8616(18)      | 0.8375(5)       | 0.0102(11)   |
| <b>Si8</b>  | 0.2806(19)      | 0.7717(18)      | 0.1392(5)       | 0.0091(12)   |
| <b>O1</b>   | 0.328(5)        | 0.840(4)        | 0.5202(12)      | 0.011(3)   |
| <b>O2</b>   | 0.470(5)        | 0.791(4)        | 0.2580(13)      | 0.009(2)   |
| <b>O3</b>   | 0.149(5)        | 0.680(4)        | 0.3230(12)      | 0.008(3)   |
| <b>O4</b>   | 0.174(5)        | 0.517(4)        | 0.6127(13)      | 0.010(2)   |
| <b>O5</b>   | 0.450(5)        | 0.429(5)        | 0.4144(13)      | 0.010(2)   |
| <b>O6</b>   | 0.097(4)        | 0.745(4)        | 0.0412(12)      | 0.008(2)   |
| <b>O7</b>   | 0.363(4)        | 0.514(4)        | 0.1269(12)      | 0.008(2)   |
| <b>O8</b>   | 0.039(5)        | 0.382(5)        | 0.1363(13)      | 0.014(3)   |
| <b>O9</b>   | 0.176(5)        | 0.020(4)        | 0.1006(13)      | 0.010(3)   |
| <b>O10</b>  | 0.366(6)        | 0.138(6)        | 0.2878(14)      | 0.013(3)   |
| <b>O11</b>  | 0.164(5)        | 0.266(4)        | 0.4901(13)      | 0.012(3)   |
| <b>O12</b>  | 0.179(5)        | 0.101(4)        | 0.7975(12)      | 0.008(2)   |
| <b>O13</b>  | 0.274(5)        | 0.354(4)        | 0.9001(13)      | 0.008(2)   |
| <b>O14</b>  | 0.287(5)        | 0.721(4)        | 0.8186(13)      | 0.011(3)   |
| <b>O15</b>  | 0.000(5)        | 0.957(4)        | 0.6403(13)      | 0.010(3)   |
| <b>O16</b>  | 0.435(4)        | 0.866(4)        | 0.9701(11)      | 0.007(3)   |



**Supplementary Table 6.** Atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters of coesite-IV at 40.2(7) GPa

| <b>Atom</b> | <b><i>x</i></b> | <b><i>y</i></b> | <b><i>z</i></b> | <b><math>U_{\text{iso}}</math> (<math>\text{\AA}^2</math>)</b> |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| <b>Si1</b>  | 0.3439(3)       | 0.6473(5)       | 0.4572(4)       | 0.0182(6)  |
| <b>Si2</b>  | 0.1944(3)       | 0.5151(5)       | 0.9943(4)       | 0.0187(6)  |
| <b>Si3</b>  | 0.0987(3)       | 0.3126(5)       | 0.6489(4)       | 0.0177(5)  |
| <b>Si4</b>  | 0.4972(3)       | 0.3191(5)       | 0.2729(5)       | 0.0189(6)  |
| <b>Si5</b>  | 0.3482(3)       | 0.1279(5)       | 0.9184(4)       | 0.0186(6)  |
| <b>Si6</b>  | 0.1974(3)       | 0.0636(5)       | 0.4430(5)       | 0.0205(6)  |
| <b>Si7</b>  | 0.0402(3)       | 0.8618(5)       | 0.8379(4)       | 0.0189(6)  |
| <b>Si8</b>  | 0.2856(3)       | 0.7706(5)       | 0.1386(4)       | 0.0179(6)  |
| <b>O1</b>   | 0.3286(8)       | 0.8467(13)      | 0.5239(12)      | 0.0199(11)   |
| <b>O2</b>   | 0.4680(8)       | 0.7828(12)      | 0.2581(11)      | 0.0186(11)   |
| <b>O3</b>   | 0.1504(8)       | 0.6810(12)      | 0.3239(11)      | 0.0162(11)   |
| <b>O4</b>   | 0.1819(8)       | 0.5214(13)      | 0.6163(11)      | 0.0189(11)   |
| <b>O5</b>   | 0.4569(8)       | 0.4303(12)      | 0.4139(11)      | 0.0198(11)   |
| <b>O6</b>   | 0.0930(8)       | 0.7417(13)      | 0.0426(12)      | 0.0199(11)   |
| <b>O7</b>   | 0.3719(8)       | 0.5145(13)      | 0.1300(11)      | 0.0206(12)   |
| <b>O8</b>   | 0.0359(8)       | 0.3746(12)      | 0.1394(11)      | 0.0197(11)   |
| <b>O9</b>   | 0.1836(8)       | 0.0244(13)      | 0.0997(11)      | 0.0171(11)   |
| <b>O10</b>  | 0.3695(8)       | 0.1405(13)      | 0.2909(12)      | 0.0205(12)   |
| <b>O11</b>  | 0.1565(8)       | 0.2678(13)      | 0.4811(11)      | 0.0208(12)   |
| <b>O12</b>  | 0.1755(8)       | 0.0949(13)      | 0.7949(11)      | 0.0205(12)   |
| <b>O13</b>  | 0.2756(8)       | 0.3583(13)      | 0.8982(11)      | 0.0210(12)   |
| <b>O14</b>  | 0.2850(8)       | 0.7174(13)      | 0.8215(11)      | 0.0193(11)   |
| <b>O15</b>  | 0.0011(9)       | 0.9625(13)      | 0.6389(11)      | 0.0215(12)   |
| <b>O16</b>  | 0.4434(7)       | 0.8695(12)      | 0.9673(11)      | 0.0162(10)   |

**Supplementary Table 7.** Atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters of coesite-IV at 44.2(4) GPa

| Atom | <i>x</i>    | <i>y</i>  | <i>z</i>    | $U_{\text{iso}}$ or $U_{\text{eq}}^*$ (Å <sup>2</sup> ) |
|------|-------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Si1  | 0.34502(13) | 0.6487(2) | 0.4581(2)   | 0.0085(9)   |
| Si2  | 0.19452(14) | 0.5156(2) | 0.9955(2)   | 0.0091(8)   |
| Si3  | 0.09874(14) | 0.3143(2) | 0.6504(2)   | 0.0093(8)   |
| Si4  | 0.49713(14) | 0.3179(2) | 0.2743(2)   | 0.0107(9)   |
| Si5  | 0.34835(13) | 0.1267(2) | 0.91817(19) | 0.0071(8)   |
| Si6  | 0.19587(14) | 0.0639(2) | 0.4449(2)   | 0.0084(8)   |
| Si7  | 0.04054(14) | 0.8622(2) | 0.83772(19) | 0.0082(8)   |
| Si8  | 0.28605(13) | 0.7703(2) | 0.13940(19) | 0.0072(8)   |
| O1   | 0.3339(4)   | 0.8483(6) | 0.5264(6)   | 0.0092(4)   |
| O2   | 0.4673(3)   | 0.7872(5) | 0.2598(5)   | 0.0064(3)   |
| O3   | 0.1507(3)   | 0.6814(6) | 0.3255(5)   | 0.0064(3)   |
| O4   | 0.1810(4)   | 0.5259(6) | 0.6175(5)   | 0.0082(4)   |
| O5   | 0.4556(4)   | 0.4311(6) | 0.4144(5)   | 0.0075(3)   |
| O6   | 0.0932(3)   | 0.7422(6) | 0.0436(5)   | 0.0070(3)   |
| O7   | 0.3731(3)   | 0.5161(6) | 0.1294(5)   | 0.0077(3)   |
| O8   | 0.0352(3)   | 0.3743(6) | 0.1397(5)   | 0.0066(3)   |
| O9   | 0.1840(3)   | 0.0257(5) | 0.1007(5)   | 0.0060(3)   |
| O10  | 0.3656(4)   | 0.1420(6) | 0.2882(5)   | 0.0084(4)   |
| O11  | 0.1559(4)   | 0.2709(6) | 0.4825(5)   | 0.0097(4)   |
| O12  | 0.1769(3)   | 0.0947(5) | 0.7949(5)   | 0.0064(3)   |
| O13  | 0.2766(3)   | 0.3608(6) | 0.8989(5)   | 0.0075(3)   |
| O14  | 0.2852(3)   | 0.7178(5) | 0.8214(5)   | 0.0071(3)   |
| O15  | 0.0030(3)   | 0.9632(6) | 0.6383(5)   | 0.0069(3)   |
| O16  | 0.4459(3)   | 0.8719(5) | 0.9687(5)   | 0.0063(3)   |

\* $U_{\text{eq}}$  is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized  $U_{ij}$  tensor

**Supplementary Table 8.** Atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters of coesite-IV at 49.3(8) GPa

| <b>Atom</b> | <b><i>x</i></b> | <b><i>y</i></b> | <b><i>z</i></b> | <b><math>U_{\text{iso}} (\text{\AA}^2)</math></b> |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| <b>Si1</b>  | 0.3455(3)       | 0.6507(4)       | 0.4585(4)       | 0.0117(4)   |
| <b>Si2</b>  | 0.1950(3)       | 0.5148(4)       | 0.9956(3)       | 0.0126(4)   |
| <b>Si3</b>  | 0.0987(3)       | 0.3168(4)       | 0.6523(4)       | 0.0123(4)   |
| <b>Si4</b>  | 0.4973(3)       | 0.3148(4)       | 0.2769(3)       | 0.0132(4)   |
| <b>Si5</b>  | 0.3484(3)       | 0.1254(4)       | 0.9178(3)       | 0.0120(4)   |
| <b>Si6</b>  | 0.1946(3)       | 0.0642(4)       | 0.4476(4)       | 0.0130(4)   |
| <b>Si7</b>  | 0.0399(3)       | 0.8619(4)       | 0.8374(3)       | 0.0120(4)   |
| <b>Si8</b>  | 0.2877(3)       | 0.7692(4)       | 0.1399(3)       | 0.0118(4)   |
| <b>O1</b>   | 0.3400(7)       | 0.8503(11)      | 0.5268(10)      | 0.0139(8)   |
| <b>O2</b>   | 0.4681(7)       | 0.7891(11)      | 0.2613(9)       | 0.0125(8)   |
| <b>O3</b>   | 0.1515(7)       | 0.6828(10)      | 0.3278(9)       | 0.0114(8)   |
| <b>O4</b>   | 0.1791(7)       | 0.5305(11)      | 0.6189(9)       | 0.0149(9)   |
| <b>O5</b>   | 0.4558(7)       | 0.4323(10)      | 0.4141(8)       | 0.0124(8)   |
| <b>O6</b>   | 0.0918(7)       | 0.7407(10)      | 0.0437(9)       | 0.0118(8)   |
| <b>O7</b>   | 0.3741(7)       | 0.5149(11)      | 0.1283(9)       | 0.0122(8)   |
| <b>O8</b>   | 0.0375(7)       | 0.3760(11)      | 0.1414(9)       | 0.0137(8)   |
| <b>O9</b>   | 0.1853(7)       | 0.0256(10)      | 0.1019(9)       | 0.0119(8)   |
| <b>O10</b>  | 0.3615(7)       | 0.1416(11)      | 0.2885(9)       | 0.0142(8)   |
| <b>O11</b>  | 0.1576(7)       | 0.2732(11)      | 0.4817(10)      | 0.0163(9)   |
| <b>O12</b>  | 0.1755(7)       | 0.0945(10)      | 0.7954(9)       | 0.0125(8)   |
| <b>O13</b>  | 0.2752(7)       | 0.3620(11)      | 0.8974(9)       | 0.0143(8)   |
| <b>O14</b>  | 0.2844(7)       | 0.7172(10)      | 0.8208(9)       | 0.0122(8)   |
| <b>O15</b>  | 0.0041(7)       | 0.9632(11)      | 0.6376(9)       | 0.0134(8)   |
| <b>O16</b>  | 0.4477(6)       | 0.8710(10)      | 0.9698(9)       | 0.0114(8)   |

**Supplementary Table 9.** Atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters of coesite-V at 56.7(9) GPa

| <b>Atom</b> | <b><i>x</i></b> | <b><i>y</i></b> | <b><i>z</i></b> | <b><math>U_{\text{iso}} (\text{\AA}^2)</math></b> |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| <b>Si1</b>  | 0.3365(5)       | 0.6559(8)       | 0.4581(6)       | 0.0193(6)   |
| <b>Si2</b>  | 0.1973(5)       | 0.5159(8)       | 0.9821(6)       | 0.0197(6)   |
| <b>Si3</b>  | 0.1089(5)       | 0.3381(8)       | 0.6855(6)       | 0.0197(6)   |
| <b>Si4</b>  | 0.4915(5)       | 0.3111(8)       | 0.2781(6)       | 0.0197(6)   |
| <b>Si5</b>  | 0.3497(5)       | 0.1102(7)       | 0.9148(5)       | 0.0183(6)   |
| <b>Si6</b>  | 0.1962(5)       | 0.0677(8)       | 0.4659(6)       | 0.0198(6)   |
| <b>Si7</b>  | 0.0339(4)       | 0.8628(7)       | 0.8335(5)       | 0.0192(6)   |
| <b>Si8</b>  | 0.2911(4)       | 0.7684(8)       | 0.1401(6)       | 0.0187(6)   |
| <b>O1</b>   | 0.3597(12)      | 0.865(2)        | 0.5358(15)      | 0.0205(14)  |
| <b>O2</b>   | 0.4662(12)      | 0.7976(19)      | 0.2581(14)      | 0.0187(13)  |
| <b>O3</b>   | 0.1487(11)      | 0.6777(18)      | 0.3141(14)      | 0.0176(12)  |
| <b>O4</b>   | 0.1438(12)      | 0.578(2)        | 0.6027(15)      | 0.0215(14)  |
| <b>O5</b>   | 0.4721(12)      | 0.452(2)        | 0.3980(16)      | 0.0201(14)  |
| <b>O6</b>   | 0.0963(12)      | 0.741(2)        | 0.0355(14)      | 0.0204(14)  |
| <b>O7</b>   | 0.3843(11)      | 0.5141(19)      | 0.1218(14)      | 0.0190(13)  |
| <b>O8</b>   | 0.0472(11)      | 0.3807(18)      | 0.1354(14)      | 0.0180(13)  |
| <b>O9</b>   | 0.1930(11)      | 0.0274(19)      | 0.0992(14)      | 0.0189(13)  |
| <b>O10</b>  | 0.3381(12)      | 0.152(2)        | 0.2944(15)      | 0.0203(13)  |
| <b>O11</b>  | 0.2073(12)      | 0.264(2)        | 0.5352(17)      | 0.0226(15)  |
| <b>O12</b>  | 0.1670(12)      | 0.074(2)        | 0.8030(14)      | 0.0194(13)  |
| <b>O13</b>  | 0.2460(11)      | 0.3524(19)      | 0.8637(14)      | 0.0177(13)  |
| <b>O14</b>  | 0.2825(11)      | 0.7095(19)      | 0.8151(15)      | 0.0188(13)  |
| <b>O15</b>  | 0.0016(11)      | 0.9501(19)      | 0.6301(14)      | 0.0184(13)  |
| <b>O16</b>  | 0.4621(11)      | 0.8572(19)      | 0.9721(15)      | 0.0177(13)  |

**Supplementary Table 10.** Comparison between of lattice parameters of coesite-IV and coesite-V observed experimentally and determined by *ab initio* calculations. As starting model for *ab initio* relaxation experimental data were used. The structural relaxation was done with the conjugate-gradient algorithm as implemented in VASP. The AM05 functional was used for the exchange and correlation description.

|            |       | Pressure,<br>GPa | $V, \text{\AA}^3$ | $a, \text{\AA}$ | $b, \text{\AA}$ | $c, \text{\AA}$ | $\alpha, ^\circ$ | $\beta, ^\circ$ | $\gamma, ^\circ$ |
|------------|-------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| coesite-IV | exp.  | 40.2(7)          | 368.5(2)          | 6.5989(8)       | 7.000(2)        | 8.648(3)        | 69.14(3)         | 83.15(2)        | 81.80(2)         |
|            | calc. | 39               | 368.5011          | 6.60893         | 7.02291         | 8.62297         | 68.9146          | 82.8546         | 81.8671          |
| coesite-IV | exp.  | 35.9(7)          | 366.1(7)          | 6.524(9)        | 6.942(9)        | 8.674(5)        | 70.07(8)         | 84.05(7)        | 83.6(1)          |
|            | calc. | 41               | 366.1221          | 6.59406         | 7.00445         | 8.60456         | 69.0070          | 82.8629         | 81.8301          |
| coesite-IV | exp.  | 44.2(4)          | 357.83(5)         | 6.5586(4)       | 6.9029(7)       | 8.5429(8)       | 69.599(9)        | 83.035(6)       | 81.933(6)        |
|            | calc. | 48               | 357.8274          | 6.53660         | 6.93415         | 8.53955         | 69.5695          | 82.9673         | 81.6966          |
| coesite-IV | exp.  | 49.3(8)          | 352.35(9)         | 6.5175(8)       | 6.875(1)        | 8.494(2)        | 69.61(2)         | 83.29(1)        | 81.99(1)         |
|            | calc. | 55               | 352.3491          | 6.42213         | 6.84399         | 8.52062         | 72.4568          | 83.9784         | 81.3844          |
| coesite-V  | exp.  | 56.7(9)          | 342.6(2)          | 6.403(2)        | 6.768(2)        | 8.400(3)        | 72.40(3)         | 84.02(3)        | 81.64(3)         |
|            | calc. | 57               | 342.5716          | 6.37189         | 6.76641         | 8.46603         | 72.2540          | 83.6899         | 80.9525          |

**Supplementary Table 11.** Bulk modules of different silica phases as obtained by *ab initio* calculations.

|                             | $K_0, \text{GPa}$ | $K_0^t$ |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|---------|
| stishovite/ $\text{CaCl}_2$ | 298.90            | 3.66    |
| seifertite                  | 310.14            | 4.09    |
| coesite-IV                  | 168.52            | 3.34    |
| coesite-V                   | 185.26            | 3.10    |

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