Pressure evolution of electronic and crystal structure of noncentrosymmetric EuCoGe₃

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We report on the pressure evolution of the electronic and crystal structures of the noncentrosymmetric antiferromagnet EuCoGe₃. Using a diamond anvil cell, we performed high pressure fluorescence detected near-edge x-ray absorption spectroscopy at the Eu L_3 , Co K, and Ge K edges and synchrotron powder x-ray diffraction. In the Eu L_3 spectrum, both divalent and trivalent Eu peaks are observed from the lowest pressure measurement (~2 GPa). By increasing pressure, the relative intensity of the trivalent Eu peak increases, and an average Eu valence continuously increases from 2.2 at 2 GPa to 2.31 at ~50 GPa. On the other hand, no discernible changes are observed in the Co K and Ge K spectra as a function of pressure. With the increase in pressure, lattice parameters continuously decrease without changing *I4mm* symmetry. Our study revealed a robust divalent Eu state and an unchanged crystal symmetry of EuCoGe₃ against pressure.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Intermetallic compounds with lanthanoids host various fascinating phenomena, such as heavy fermion behavior, spin/charge ordering, Kondo effect, and superconductivity, originating from an interplay of strongly correlated 4f electrons and itinerant conduction electrons [1,2]. A plethora of ternary lanthanoid transition metal silicides/germanides crystallize with the ThCr₂Si₂-type structure (I4/mmm) [3], for instance, the first heavy fermion superconductor CeCu₂Si₂ [4] and the quantum critical Kondo lattice YbRh₂Si₂ [5,6]. In isostructural europium-based silicides, Eu ions bear a divalent valence state Eu^{2+} (4 f^7 , J = 7/2) that favors an antiferromagnetic ground state [7–9]. However, the energy difference between Eu²⁺ and nonmagnetic Eu³⁺ (4 f^6 , J = 0) valence states is not very large [10] and can be tuned by applying pressure and/or by chemical substitutions. Applying pressure or substituting smaller ions tend to increase the antiferromagnetic transition temperature (T_N) , followed by a sudden disappearance of magnetic moments and a valence crossover at a critical pressure. Indeed, a pressure-induced Eu valence transition with a simultaneous collapse of antiferromagnetism was reported for $Eu(Pd_{0.8}Au_{0.2})_2Si_2$ [7], $EuNi_2Si_2$ [8], and EuRh₂Si₂ [9], and a substitution-induced valence transition was found in $EuNi_2(Ge_{1-x}Si_x)_2$ [11] and $Eu(Pt_{1-x}Ni_x)_2Si_2$ [12]. Due to the different ionic radii of Eu^{2+} and Eu^{3+} ions [13], the Eu valence transition and the ground state properties in such systems are usually discussed in relation to the lattice volume. It has been established that compounds with a large unit cell volume possess an antiferromagnetic ground state with Eu^{2+} ions, while materials with a small unit cell volume exhibit a nonmagnetic ground state with Eu^{3+} ions [14,15].

Contrary to rather extensive studies on the Eu-122 systems, much less attention has been given to ternary Eu-compounds crystallizing with the BaNiSn₃-type structure (*I4mm*) which is a close relative to the ThCr₂Si₂-type structure [see Fig. 7(b)]. Recently, a series of europium transition metal silicides/germanides Eu TX_3 : T = transition metal, X = Si or Ge, with the BaNiSn₃-type structure [16] was reported to exhibit complex magnetic properties [17–23] and atypical behavior under hydrostatic pressure [24,25]. In this context, it is worth mentioning that pressure-induced superconductivity was discovered in a few Ce-based counterparts [26–29]. These compounds bear an unconventional character with a mixed singlet-triplet pairing caused by large antisymmetric spinorbit coupling in strongly correlated electron systems which lack an inversion symmetry in their crystal lattice [30,31].

In the crystallographic unit cell of Eu*TX*₃ systems, Eu atoms occupy the 2*a* Wyckoff site; Silicon/germanium atoms are located at two different Wyckoff positions 2*a* and 4*b*, while transition metal atoms occupy the 2*a* site [20]. Magnetic susceptibility measurements [21,32,33] and Mössbauer spectroscopy [17,18] revealed the presence of magnetic Eu²⁺ ions in each of the investigated compounds. While all of them order antiferromagnetically (AFM) at similar temperatures, the magnetic structure formed by the localized Eu 4*f* moments depends on the transition metal constituent. For example, in

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EuRhGe₃ the AFM order sets in at $T_N = 11.3$ K and the Eu moments are confined in the *ab* plane, while they are aligned along the *c* axis in EuCoGe₃, EuNiGe₃, and EuIrGe₃ that order at $T_N = 15.4$, 13.5, and 12.3 K, respectively [20,32,33]. Below T_N , successive magnetic phase transitions were observed at $T'_N = 13.4$ K in EuCoGe₃, and $T'_N = 7.5$ K and $T^*_N = 5.0$ K in EuIrGe₃ [20,21]. Very recently, EuIrGe₃ was studied by neutron and resonant x-ray diffraction and complex magnetic phase transitions from an incommensurate longitudinal sinusoidal structure below T_N to a cycloidal structure below T'_N , then a cycloidal structure rotated by 45° in-plane below T^*_N were revealed [23].

In order to check for possible valence changes and longsought emergence of superconductivity in Eu-based materials, electric transport measurements were performed on EuCoGe₃, EuNiGe₃, EuRhGe₃, and EuIrGe₃ under pressure up to 8 GPa [21,34]. The magnetic transition temperatures T_N and T'_N were found to increase with increasing pressure and no sign of any other phase transition was observed. Similar results were obtained from pressure-dependent alternating current (ac) calorimetry in EuCoGe₃ up to 10.4 GPa, which additionally indicated a pressure-driven moderate effective mass enhancement [35].

In this study, we performed high energy resolution fluorescence detected (HERFD) near-edge x-ray absorption spectroscopy and powder x-ray diffraction on EuCoGe₃ under pressure as high as 50 GPa. By increasing pressure, the average Eu valence of EuCoGe₃ continuously increases from 2.2 at 2 GPa to 2.31 at ~50 GPa, while no discernible changes are observed in the Co K and Ge K spectra as a function of pressure. Concurrently, the crystal lattice volume of EuCoGe₃ continuously decreases without changing the *I*4mm symmetry.

II. EXPERIMENT

Single crystals of EuCoGe₃ were grown from In flux, as described elsewhere [20,21,33]. The crystals were taken from the same batch that was studied in Ref. [20]. Their high quality was proved by electrical resistivity and magnetic susceptibility measurements (see Ref. [20]).

A HERFD near-edge x-ray absorption spectroscopy (XAS) experiment was performed at the GALAXIES beamline of the SOLEIL synchrotron [36,37]. The incident synchrotron beam was monochromatized using a Si(111) double-crystal monochromator followed by a Pd-coated spherical collimating mirror [38]. The HERFD near-edge XAS spectra were observed by varying photon energy across the Eu L_3 , Co K, and Ge K edges and recorded using a silicon drift detector. Each fluorescence line was selected by changing the Bragg angle of the single crystal analyzer: Eu $L_{\alpha 1}$ (5846 eV), Co $K_{\beta 1}$ (7649 eV), and Ge $K_{\alpha 1}$ (9886 eV) with the Bragg angles of 77° Ge(333), 84° Ge(444), and 74° Ge(555), respectively. The HERFD method suppresses 2p or 1s core-hole lifetime broadening owing to the resonant inelastic x-ray scattering process. The sample was mounted in a diamond anvil cell (DAC) with Ne gas as a pressure medium and a ruby as a pressure indicator [39]. A high purity beryllium gasket was used through which the incident and fluorescence x-rays traverse to measure the Eu $L_{\alpha 1}$, Co $K_{\beta 1}$, and Ge $K_{\alpha 1}$ emissions.

The pressure was applied by manually tightening a set of 4 screws on the DAC. For an accurate pressure calibration, the ruby fluorescence signal was measured before and after the XAS cycle at each pressure.

The high-resolution x-ray diffraction (XRD) was carried out at the PSICHE beamline of the SOLEIL synchrotron with a photon energy of 23 keV ($\lambda = 0.3738$ Å). The single crystal of EuCoGe₃ was gently crushed by pestle into powder. The powdered sample was mounted in a DAC with Ne gas as a pressure medium, and a piece of Au was loaded in the DAC together with the sample as a pressure reference material. The gasket was made of inox with a thickness of 27 µm and a sample space diameter of 150 µm. Diamonds of 300 µm diameter culet size were used. The pressure was controlled by a membrane on the DAC and was determined by the Au equation of state.

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

A. HERFD near-edge XAS results

Figure 1 shows the pressure-dependent Eu L_3 XAS spectra of EuCoGe₃ measured at room temperature. The spectra were obtained by scanning the incident x-ray energy through the Eu L_3 absorption edge while recording the scattered intensity of the Eu $L_{\alpha 1}$ fluorescence energy. The HERFD spectra resemble a standard XAS spectrum, though the spectral shape is sharper due to the absence of a deep 2p core hole in the final state. The Eu L_3 HERFD spectra exhibit a prominent peak at 6972 eV and a broad peak centered at 6981 eV corresponding to Eu^{2+} $(2p^{6}4f^{7} \rightarrow 2p^{5}4f^{7} + \epsilon d(s) \rightarrow 2p^{6}3d^{9}4f^{7})$ and Eu^{3+} $(2p^64f^6 \rightarrow 2p^54f^6 + \epsilon d(s) \rightarrow 2p^63d^94f^6)$ components, respectively. Although the transition process does not directly include the 4 f states, the Eu²⁺ and Eu³⁺ peaks in the Eu L_3 HERFD spectra are well separated and they are sensitive to the change of the Eu valence due to strong Coulomb interaction between the 3d core hole and the final state 4f electron. A broad satellite peak around 20 eV above the main line is not evident in EuCoGe₃, in contrast to that observed in EuRhGe₃ [40]. The inset of Fig. 1 shows the Eu XAS spectra fitting with three Gaussian functions corresponding to Eu^{2+} , Eu^{3+} and the satellite peak, and two arctangent backgrounds for the Eu²⁺ and Eu^{3+} peaks. There is no signal of the quadrupolar 2p - 4ftransition in the pre-edge region. The mean Eu valence was estimated using the formula $v = 2 + I^{3+}/(I^{2+} + I^{3+})$, where I^{2+} and I^{3+} denote the integrated spectral intensities of the Eu^{2+} and Eu^{3+} peaks, respectively, extracted from the fitting analysis. Note that the intensity of the satellite peak is not included in the Eu valence estimation.

In Fig. 2 we present the variation of the mean Eu valence with pressure in EuCoGe₃. The valence at 2.7 GPa (the lowest measurement pressure) is $v = 2.20 \pm 0.02$. With increasing pressure, v linearly increases to 2.31 ± 0.02 at 50 GPa. For comparison, in Fig. 2 we also show pressure variation of the mean Eu valence in EuRhGe₃ [40]. No valence/phase transition was observed in the entire pressure range investigated. Compared to the latter compound, the pressure evolution of Eu valence in EuCoGe₃ is rather small. The rate of valence change dv/dP in EuRhGe₃ is around 0.0065/GPa, while that in EuCoGe₃ is only 0.0023/GPa. Similarly, a stable Eu²⁺ valence state is relatively uncommon for Eu-compounds. The



FIG. 1. The Eu L_3 HERFD near-edge spectra of EuCoGe₃ at selected pressures. The spectra are normalized over the higher energy end after subtracting the constant background below the edge. Inset shows an example of fitting the Eu L_3 XAS spectrum at 48 GPa in order to extract the Eu²⁺ and Eu³⁺ components.

origin of the kinks in the Eu valence changes is unclear, though they are not artifacts created by the pressure medium since both were measured with a Ne gas pressure medium. For the most intensively studied ternaries with the ThCr₂Si₂-type structure, a pressure-induced valence transition from Eu²⁺ to almost Eu³⁺, usually occurs in the range 4–5 GPa. [15,41] In Fig. 3, the HERFD spectra at the Co K and Ge K edges are shown. After subtracting a constant background below the edges, the spectra were normalized over the higher energy end. The Co K edge spectra show pre-edge shoulder structures at 7710 eV and 7720 eV and the main peak at 7729 eV which corresponds to the Co $1s \rightarrow 4p$ dipolar transition. The pre-edge structures were reported for Co foil [42] and Co-



FIG. 2. Pressure dependence of the Eu mean valence in $EuCoGe_3$ derived from the Eu L_3 HERFD spectra (blue symbols). For comparison, the data reported for EuRhGe₃ [40] are also shown (red symbols).

bearing oxides [43]. The pre-edge shoulder at 7710 eV can be attributed to the Co $1s \rightarrow 3d$ direct quadrupolar transition and the dipolar transition to d - p hybridised state [42,43]. The following pre-edge structure at 7720 eV could be due to a shakedown process of ligand to metal charge transfer [44]. The broad satellite peak far above the edge centered at 7775 eV may originate from extended x-ray absorption fine structure oscillations. The Ge K edge spectra have a main peak at 11102 eV and a shoulder peak at 11106 eV. The spectral shape is similar to the Ge K XAS spectrum of CeCoGe₃ which is isostructural to EuCoGe₃. Following the interpretation of Ge K XAS spectrum of CeCoGe₃ [45], the prominent peak at 11102 eV and the shoulder peak at 11106 eV are considered to originate from Ge atoms in the Wyckoff positions 4b and 2a, respectively. Within experimental resolution, neither Co K nor Ge K edge spectra show any remarkable changes with pressure. In order to elucidate a slight change by pressure, we also observed the Co K_{β} and Ge K_{α} x-ray emission spectra, though no reasonable changes have been detected (see Appendix). The results indicate that the increase of the mean Eu valence under pressure is due to intraatomic charge transfer from Eu 4f to 5d, and negligible contributions from Ge and Co ions.

B. XRD results

Synchrotron powder XRD of EuCoGe₃ was performed as a function of pressure at room temperature. The contour map of diffraction intensities in the pressure range from 1 to 45 GPa is shown in Fig 4. In order to highlight the change with pressure, the diffraction intensities are plotted only in the 2θ range 5° to 19°. The pressure evolution of Bragg peak positions indicates three different phases, EuCoGe₃ (main phase), gold, and neon as a hydrostatic pressure medium. Neon is known to crystallize around 4.8 GPa at room temperature [46]. A sign of nonhydrostaticity in neon appears above 15 GPa, though its pressure gradient stays very small up to 50 GPa [47,48].



FIG. 3. HERFD near-edge XAS spectra of EuCoGe₃ taken at (a) Co K edge and (b) Ge K edge normalized on the higher energy end.

The fast-changing peaks at $2\theta = 10^{\circ}$ and 12° in the contour map correspond to crystalized neon. No emergence or disappearance of Bragg peaks was observed that could be related to any symmetry change in the investigated pressure range. This result proves the absence of any structural phase transition in EuCoGe₃ up to 45 GPa. In order to extract more detailed information on the crystal structure of EuCoGe₃, Rietveld refinement of the XRD data was performed by using the Profex programme [49]. In Fig. 5, the XRD patterns at 1, 10, 25, and 45 GPa are presented along with the results of Rietveld refinements (see also Table I). The analysis confirmed that EuCoGe₃ keeps the same crystal symmetry (I4mm) up to 45 GPa. Figure 6(a) shows the relative changes in both the *a*and *c*-lattice parameters with respect to the values at ambient pressure : a = 4.3191(3) Å and c = 9.8847(15) Å (taken from Ref [20]). In both directions, a smooth contraction with pressure (P) was found, however, the change along the a axis is larger than along the c axis. The ratio c/a is plotted in Fig. 6(b) as a function of pressure. It linearly increases with increasing pressure up to 21 GPa with a rate 2.288 + 0.002P and then continues to increase nearly linearly with a slope 2.308 + 0.001 P. The change of the c/a increase rate around

20 GPa can be attributed to the anisotropic compression of the a and c axis. A small deviation from the linear behavior above 40 GPa might be due to the nonhydrostatic pressure effect in a high-pressure region.

Compared to the axial ratio of various ternary Eucompounds in the ThCr₂Si₂-type structure (I4/mmm), which has a centrosymmetry [14], that of EuCoGe₃ is relatively small. In the case of AB_2X_2 stoichiometric compounds (A: rare-earth or alkali earth, B: transition metal, and X: 14-15 group elements) with the ThCr₂Si₂-type structure, the structure can be disassembled to B_2X_2 -layers and A^{2+} ions. The B_2X_2 -layers are constructed from BX_4 tetrahedrons that have covalent B - X bonding and weak B - B metal-metal bonding. The interrelationship between intra and interlayer bonding distances, namely the c/a ratio, and its relation to the physical properties in AB_2X_2 compounds have been proposed [50–53]. Although the correlation between lattice parameters and physical properties may exist in ABX₃ compounds in the BaNiSn₃-type structure, the bonding nature can differ from the Th Cr_2Si_2 -type compounds. In *ABX*₃ compounds, transition metal and X atoms form square pyramids with the apex of B/X atom pointing alternately up and down in the BX_3^{-2}



FIG. 4. Contour map of synchrotron x-ray diffraction intensities collected in the pressure range 1–45 GPa, for EuCoGe₃ (main phase), gold (standard material), and neon (pressure medium). The magenta arrows (top) and the yellow arrows (bottom) of the contour map represent the main peak positions of neon and gold respectively.

Pressure	1 GPa	10 GPa	25 GPa	45 GPa
Lattice constants				
a (Å)	4.308 (4)	4.164 (2)	4.019 (6)	3.901(1)
c (Å)	9.867 (1)	9.606 (9)	9.379 (2)	9.167 (1)
$V(Å^3)$	183.156(1)	166.573 (1)	151.541 (4)	139.472 (9)
Refinement parameters				
R _{WP}	17.84	16.12	17.69	21.16
R _{exp}	21.87	19.74	20.68	22.04
χ^2	0.674	0.6669	0.7317	0.9231
GOF	0.821	0.8166	0.8554	0.9601

TABLE I. Lattice constants, unit cell volume and refinement parameters of EuCoGe₃ at selected pressures. Where R_{WP} is the weighted profile R factor, R_{exp} is the expected R factor and GOF is the goodness of fitting.

layers [54]. The metal-metal B - B distance in the BX_3^{-2} layer corresponds to the *a*-lattice constant and is relatively larger than that in the ThCr₂Si₂-type compounds. Furthermore, the interlayer distance is defined by the B - X bonding. Here, we only refer to the structural differences between the ThCr₂Si₂-type and the BaNiSn₃-type compounds. In order to understand the relation between structure and properties in *ABX*₃ compounds, further systematic studies of *ABX*₃ series and chemical bonding analyses are necessary.

The pressure evolution of the unit cell volume also shows a smooth contraction as shown in Fig. 7(a). The contraction of the unit cell volume can be approximated as a linear decrease up to ~ 10 GPa, which almost coincides with the kink in the



FIG. 5. Integrated synchrotron XRD patterns of $EuCoGe_3$ with the results of refinement at (a) 1 GPa, (b) 10 GPa, (c) 25 GPa, and (d) 45 GPa. The vertical bars indicate Bragg peak positions of $EuCoGe_3$ (green), gold (orange), and neon (magenta).

pressure change of the mean Eu valence. The linear increases of the mean Eu valence and T_N by applying pressure [21,35] might be related to the linear contraction of the unit cell volume, at least up to ~ 10 GPa (See Supplemental Material, Fig. S1 [55]). However, the pressure change of the Eu valence does not seem to be proportional to the pressure change of the unit cell volume in a higher pressure region. As mentioned earlier, the ground state properties of the Eu-122 system have been discussed in relation to the unit cell volume [14,15]. Such a tendency was also reported in the Eu-113 system. With an increase of Ge substitution in $EuNi(Si_{1-x}Ge_x)_3$, the unit cell volume showed a monotonous increase, while T_N decreased monotonously, indicating its strong connection to the volume change [56]. On the other hand, the change in $T_{\rm N}$ in EuTGe₃ by transition metal substitution did not show a proportional change with the unit cell volume [20]. Although it has to be taken into account that the chemical pressure and applying external pressure do not always lead to the same results, the Eu-113 systems do not likely follow the same unit cell volume regime as the Eu-122 systems.

We performed equation of state (EOS) fitting for EuCoGe₃ by using the EOSFit7c software [57]. We used the third-order Birch Murnaghan equation below for EOS fitting [58]:

$$P(V) = \frac{3B_0}{2} [(V_0/V)^{7/3} - (V_0/V)^{5/3}] \\ \times \left\{ 1 + \frac{3}{4} (B'_0 - 4) [(V_0/V)^{2/3} - 1] \right\}$$

where,

$$B_0 = -V\left(\frac{\partial P}{\partial V}\right)_{P=0} \quad \& \quad B'_0 = \left(\frac{\partial B}{\partial P}\right)_{P=0}$$

Here, B_0 and B'_0 denote a bulk modulus at 0 GPa and the first pressure derivative of the bulk modulus, respectively. The result of EOS fitting is presented in Fig. 7(a). The value of $V_0 = 184.39$ Å³ was taken from Ref. [20]. The obtained values of B_0 and B'_0 are 75.6 ± 0.3 GPa and 5.58 ± 0.04, respectively (See Supplemental Material, Fig. S2 [55]). We also performed refinement for the gold reference material and neon pressure medium and extracted the pressure-dependent unit cell volumes. From the obtained unit cell volume of gold, the pressure was determined by using the third-order Birch Murnaghan equation with $V_0 = 67.847$ Å³, $B_0 = 167$ GPa, and $B'_0 = 5.5$ taken from Ref. [59]. For the EOS fitting of the unit cell volume of neon (See Supplemental Material, Fig. S3



FIG. 6. (a) Relative pressure variations of the lattice parameters of $EuCoGe_3$ with respect to the values at ambient pressure. (b) Pressure dependence of the ratio c/a. Straight lines emphasize linear behavior.

[55]), we used $V_0 = 88.967$ Å³ from Ref. [60] and obtained $B_0 = 1.15 \pm 0.06$ GPa and $B'_0 = 9.0 \pm 0.3$, which are in good agreement with earlier studies [46,60].

IV. CONCLUSION

We studied the electronic and crystal structure of noncentrosymmetric EuCoGe₃ by HERFD near-edge XAS and synchrotron powder XRD as a function of pressure. By applying pressure, the intensity of the Eu³⁺ peak in the Eu L_3 XAS spectra slightly increases relative to the Eu²⁺ peak. The mean Eu valence increases from 2.2 at 2.7 GPa to 2.31 at 50 GPa without a first-order valence transition. Compared to EuRhGe₃, the pressure variation of the Eu valence is relatively small in EuCoGe₃. The XAS spectra at the Ge K and Co *K* edges show no discernible changes against pressure. This indicates that the pressure evolution of the mean Eu valence is due to charge transfer from Eu 4f to 5d, with no contribution from Ge and Co ions.

The powder XRD experiment revealed a continuous compression of the lattice volume without changing structural symmetry within the investigated pressure range. The compressibility of the lattice constant along the *a* axis is larger than that along the *c* axis. From EOS fitting of the unit cell volume, we obtained the bulk modulus and the pressure derivative of the bulk modulus of EuCoGe₃. The contraction of the unit cell volume may contribute to the increase of the Eu valence, as our experimental results seem to show a relation between the mean Eu valence and the pressure evolution of the unit cell volume in EuCoGe₃ up to ~10 GPa. However,



FIG. 7. (a) Pressure evolution of the unit cell volume of $EuCoGe_3$ with the result of EOS fitting. The error bar is the range of symbol size. (b) The centrosymmetric ThCr₂Si₂-type crystal structure and the noncentrosymmetric BaNiSn₃-type crystal structure of EuCoGe₃ showing Co-Ge bonds drawn by using VESTA [61]. The inversion symmetry is broken with respect to the (002) plane.



FIG. 8. (a) X-ray emission spectra (XES) of Co K_{β} , spectra is normalized on the emission peak $K_{\beta 1,3}$ intensity and (b) Ge K_{α} line, spectra is normalized at the emission peak intensity $K_{\alpha 1}$.

the pressure change of the Eu valence does not seem to be proportional to the pressure change of the unit cell volume in higher pressure region.

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APPENDIX

In Fig. 8, we present (a) Co K_{β} and (b) Ge K_{α} emission spectra of EuCoGe₃ as a function of pressure. The Co K_{β} and Ge K_{α} emission spectra were recorded at incident photon energies of 8209 and 11603 eV, respectively. The Co K_{β} emission spectrum represents the main peak located at 7656 eV corresponding to the $K_{\beta 1,3}$ line. The satellite peak between 7645 eV and 7650 eV corresponds to the $K\beta'$ line. The intensity of the satellite peak changes slightly but no systematic change as a function of pressure is observed. For emission along Ge K_{α} , we have two peaks: the first peak at 9850 eV, which corresponds to $K_{\alpha 2}$; and the second peak 30 eV higher at 9880 eV, which corresponds to $K_{\alpha 1}$. Similar to XAS spectra, no considerable changes were observed in spectra within experimental resolution as a function of pressure.

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