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Carbon and oxygen isotope analyses were carried out in laboratories at the University of Queensland (UQ) and the University of Michigan (UM). Samples (25–50 σ g) of carbonate were drilled from polished slabs using a microscope-mounted microdrilling apparatus and roasted under vacuum at 380°C for 1 h to remove volatile contaminants. Microsamples were reacted at 90°C (UQ) or 73°C (UM) with anhydrous phosphoric acid in individual reaction vessels of an online, automated carbonate device. At UQ, an automated Multiprep device was coupled to a Micromass Isoprime mass spectrometer; at UM, samples were analyzed using a system comprising a Kiel device and Finnigan-MAT 251 mass spectrometer. Oxygen isotope ratios were corrected for ¹⁷O contribution (Craig, 1957) and are reported in permil (‰) relative to the Vienna Peedee Belemnite (VPDB) standard ($\zeta_{CO2-H3PO4} = 1.008795$) (Table DR1). Precision is better than 0.1‰ for ι^{18} O and ι^{13} C values and was monitored through multiple analyses of National Bureau of Standards (NBS) 19 and 20, and other powdered calcite standards. Prior to analysis, sample mineralogy was determined petrographically and confirmed by XRD. Magnesite-rich samples were allowed to react up to 12 h at 90°C (UQ). Although complete liberation of CO₂ was not achieved for all magnesite samples, Aharon (1988) demonstrated that complete CO₂ evolution is not essential for obtaining reproducible isotope results from homogenous magnesite samples.

Table DR1: Carbon and oxygen isotope data from the Skillogalee Dolc	mite
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	Stratigraphic			
Sample ID	Height (m)	Component	ι ¹³ C (‰ VPDB)	1 ¹⁸ O (‰VPDB)
MSQ3-2	0.75	Conglomerate clast	4.2	0.9
MSQ3-1	0.75	Conglomerate clast	6.3	0.2
MSQ7B-1	3.50	Cryptalgal dolostone	5.3	-1.1
MSQ7B	3.50	Dolomicrite	5.3	-1.5
MSQ7B-2	3.50	Cryptalgal dolostone	5.3	-1.4
MSQ7C-1	4.10	Dolomicrite	4.9	-1.8
MSQ7C	4.10	Dolomicrite	5.1	-0.9
MSQ7C	4.10	Dolomicrite	5.2	-1.1
MSQ8	4.60	Dolomicrite	5.4	-2.0
MSQ9	4.75	Conglomerate clast	4.9	-2.9
MSQ10-2	5.75	Dolomitic stromatolite	4.6	-0.9
MSQ10-1	5.75	Dolomitic stromatolite	4.7	-0.5
MSQ11	6.50	Conglomerate clast	6.7	1.9
MSQ12-3	8.25	Conglomerate clast	4.6	0.8
MSQ12-2	8.25	Dolomicrite	5.7	-0.9
MSQ12-5	8.25	Conglomerate clast	5.9	-0.6
MSQ12-4	8.25	Conglomerate clast	6.1	-0.7
MSQ13-3	9.30	Cryptalgal dolostone	2.7	-2.2
MSQ13-4	9.30	Cryptalgal dolostone	4.7	-0.2
MSQ13-1	9.30	Cryptalgal dolostone	5.1	0.0
MSQ13-2	9.30	Cryptalgal dolostone	5.2	0.2
MSQ14-2	10.00	Dolomicrite	5.3	-0.6
MSQ14-1	10.00	Dolomicrite	5.6	-0.4
MSQ21	42.85	Conglomerate clast	2.2	-2.6
MSQ21	42.85	Conglomerate clast	3.7	-6.6
MSQ22-1	51.35	Dolomitic stromatolite	3.9	-0.1
MSQ22-2	51.35	Dolomitic stromatolite	4.2	-1.2
MSQ29-1	58.10	Cryptalgal dolostone	4.5	-1.8
MSQ30-2	59.20	Cryptalgal dolostone	4.9	-2.0
MSQ30-1	59.20	Cryptalgal dolostone	5.0	-1.9
MSQ34-2	71.00	Cryptalgal dolostone	3.4	-1.2
MSQ34-1	71.00	Cryptalgal dolostone	3.4	-0.8

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