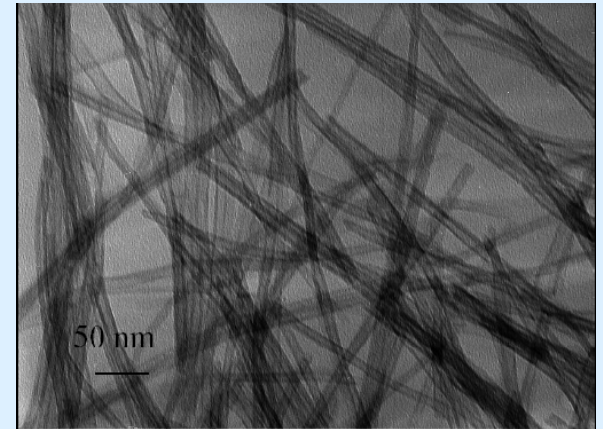
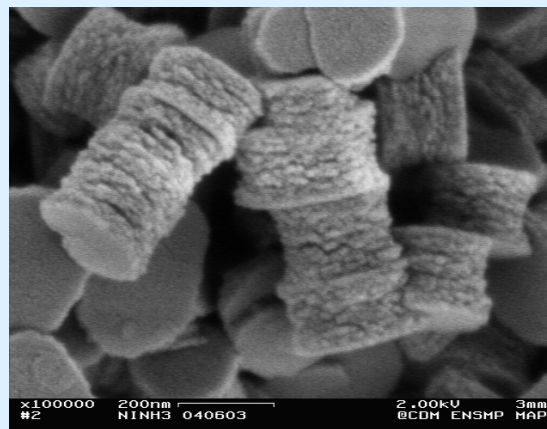
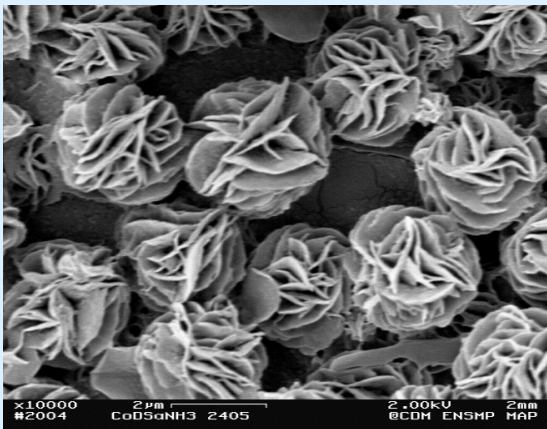


(co)precipitation of (hyd)roxides nanoparticles and nanostructured particles in aqueous solutions

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- 600 permanent staff
- 1000 students
- 20 research centers

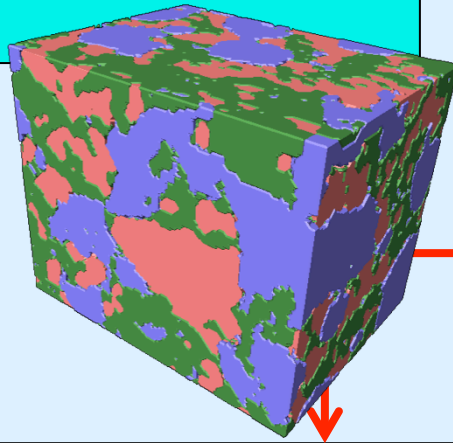


Center for materials studies: mechanics, coatings, functional materials

■ Team Surfaces – Interfaces – Processes

**Elaboration: materials / objects,
ceramics, metals, composites
control of their physical properties**

- *Study of fundamental mechanisms*
- *Control of microstructures*
- *Control of processes*



7 researchers
5 technicians

Meeting industrial needs

- *Combining materials with antagonists properties*
- *New morphologies out of reach by classical processes*
- *New functional properties*

Processes: particles, coatings, films, fibers...



Cold spray



Screen Printing



liquid-phase syntheses



Plasma Spraying



Bar Coating



composite films

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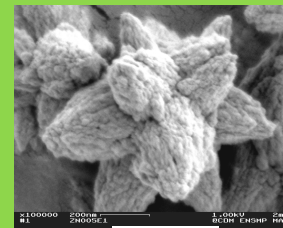


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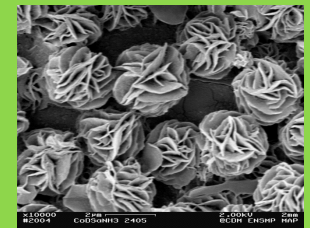
Centre des
Matériaux

Activities: Synthesis of submicronic particles, nanoparticles and nanostructured materials by precipitation in liquid phase (mainly aqueous solutions).

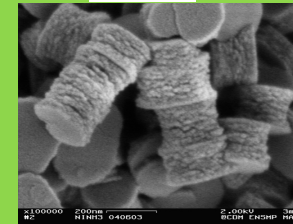
Objectives: particle size, shape, composition, structure control to tune/optimize their physical properties.



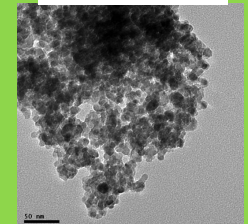
ZnO



Co(OH)₂



Ni(OH)₂



Ti_xSn_{1-x}O₂

Precipitation reactors

mechanical stirrers

feeders

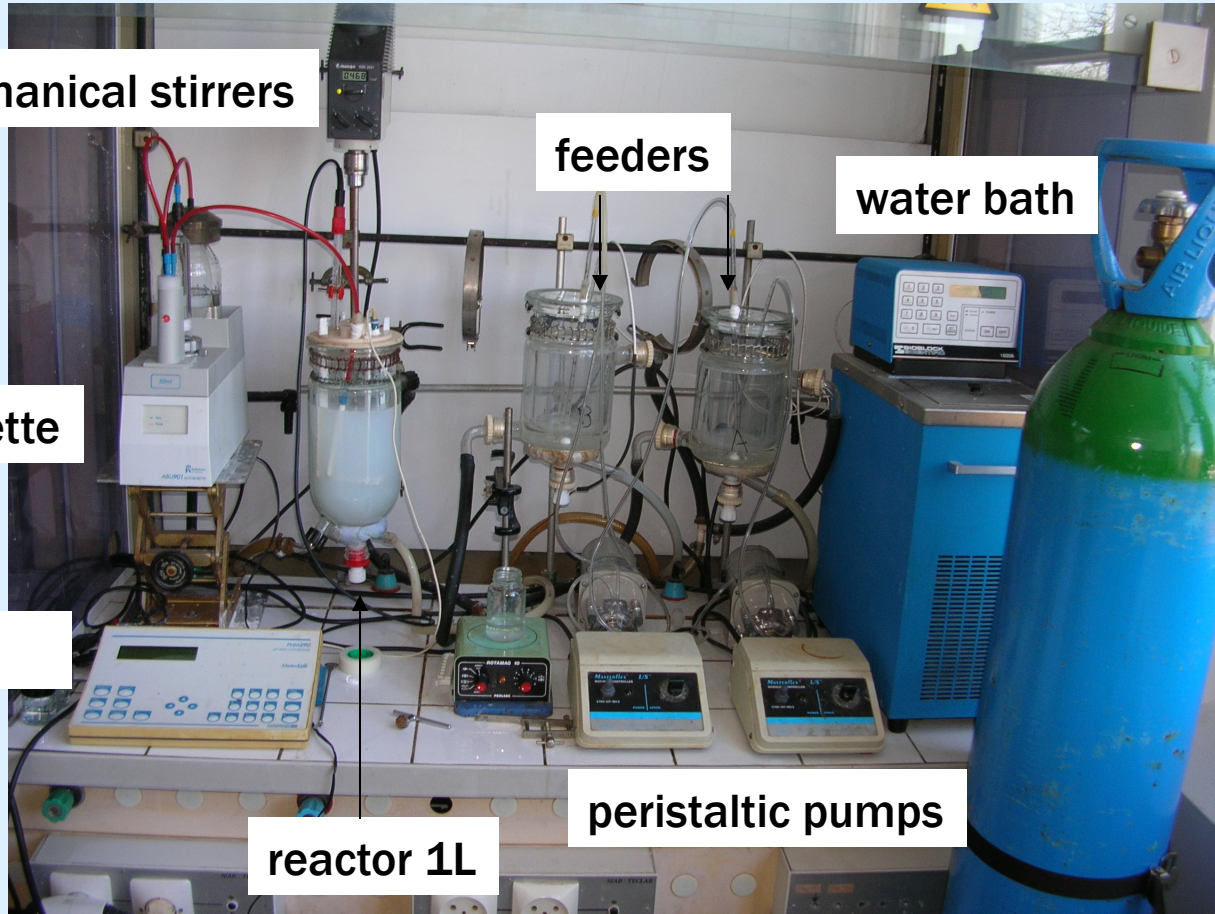
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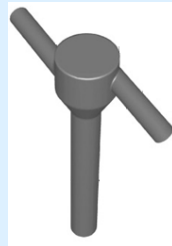
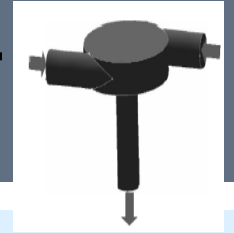
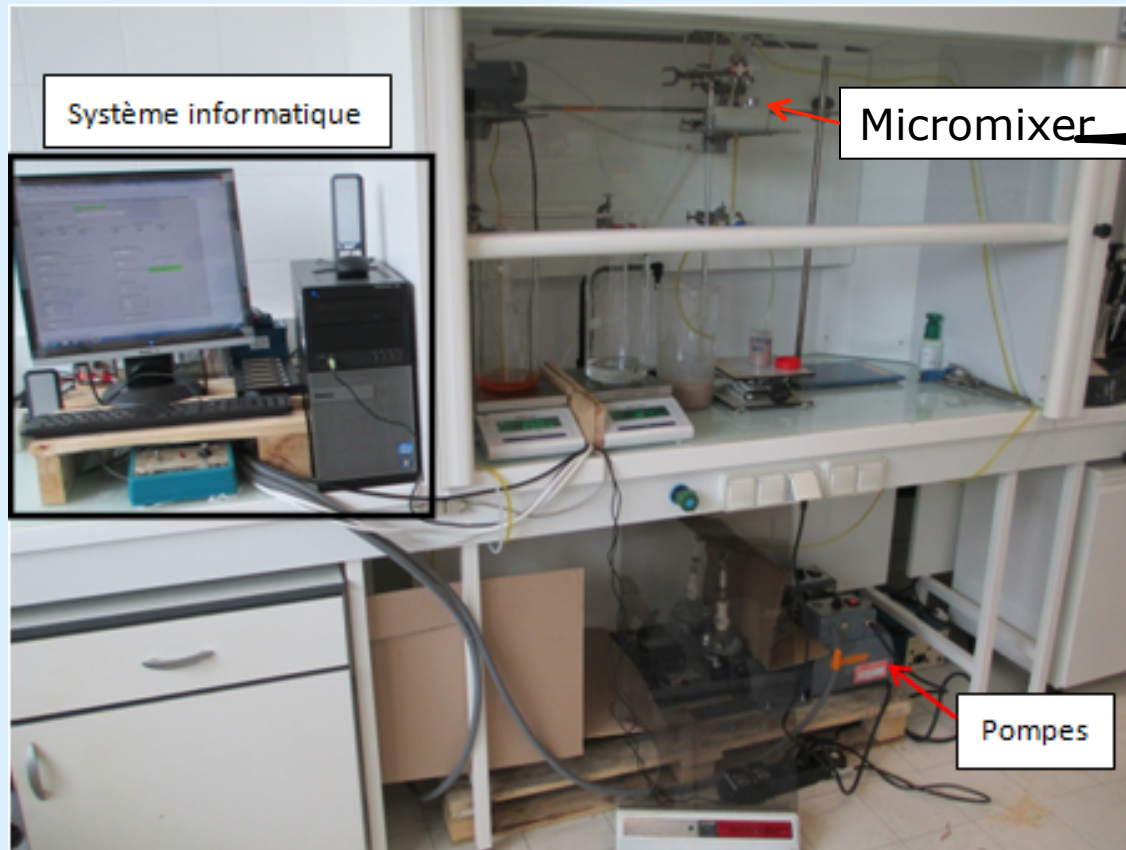
reactor 1L

peristaltic pumps



micromixers – continuous precipitation

r a p i d
m i x i n g



hydrothermal syntheses or ripening

autoclaves



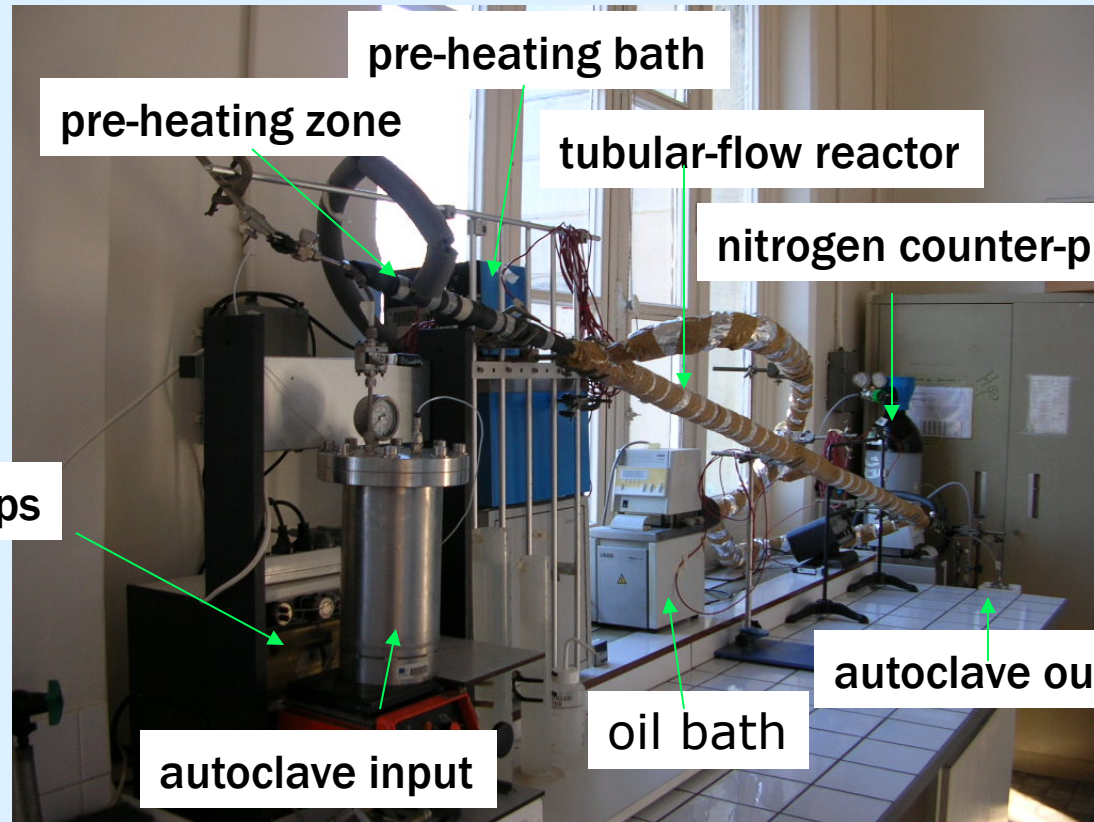
microwaves



Traditional heating by walls or microwave irradiation

Tubular-flow reactor

ripening – homogenous precipitation



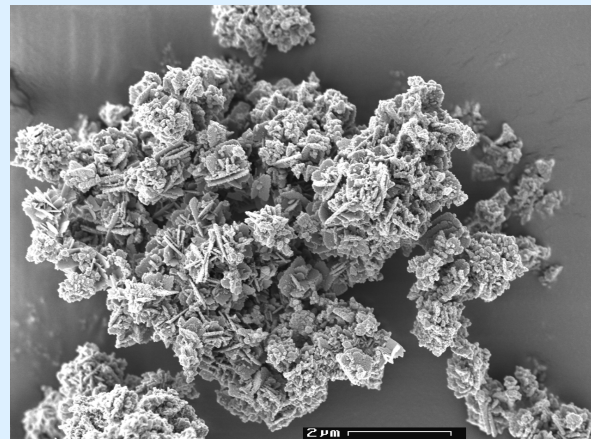
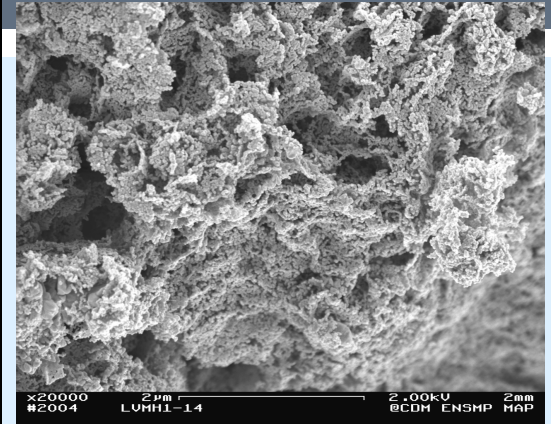
semi-continuous process with traditional heating by walls (jacketed tube)

Morphological control by the choice of the process

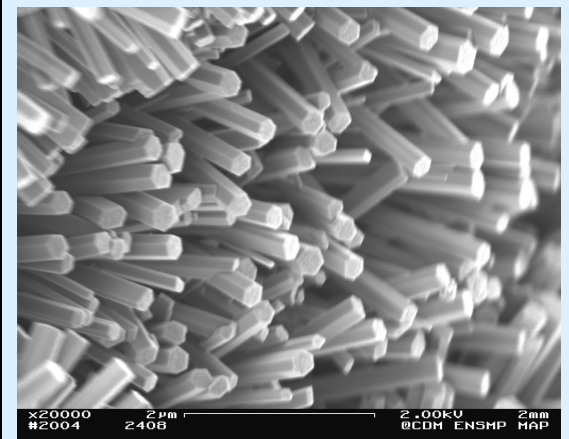
Example: ZnO

pH-induced shapes

Impact on optical properties
(absorption, photoactivity...)



double jet precipitation



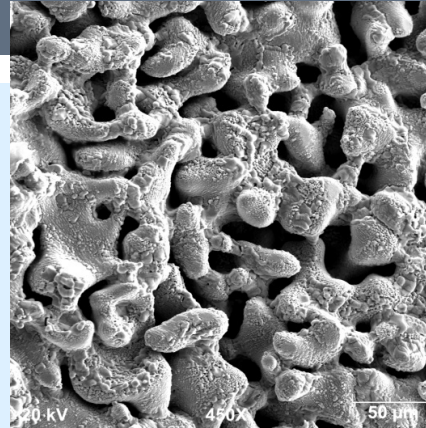
ammonia decomplexation

Coprecipitated particles as precursors for ceramics

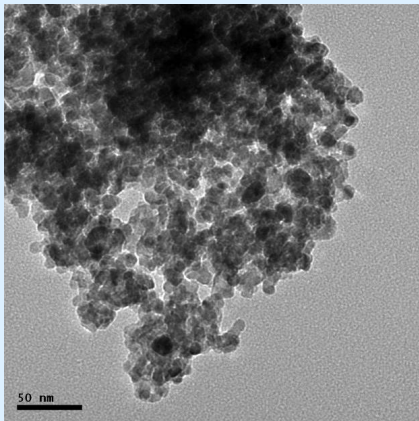
commercial
powders TiO₂ and
SnO₂ - mixture

annealing
1650 °C

poor co-annealing

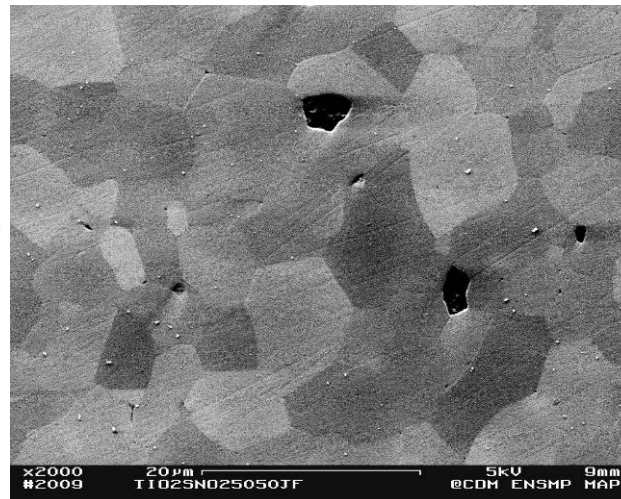


Ti_{0.5}Sn_{0.5}O₂ coprecipitated

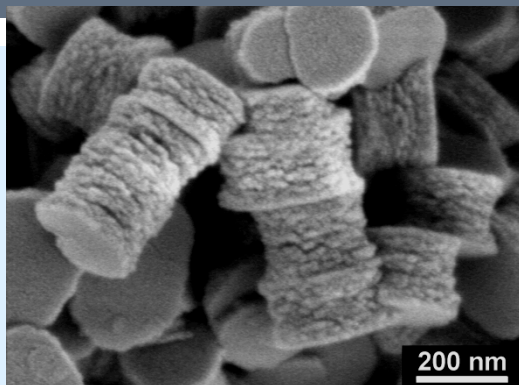


annealing
1500 °C

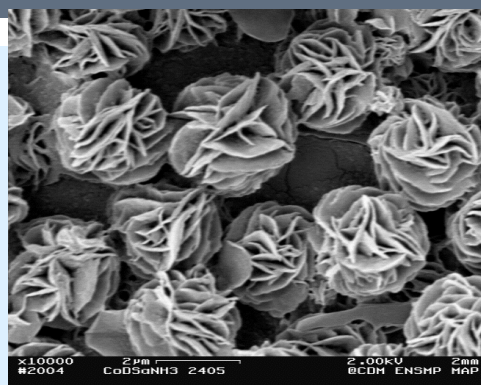
dense ceramics



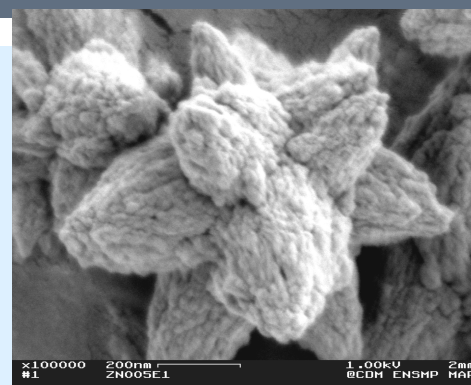
Gallery



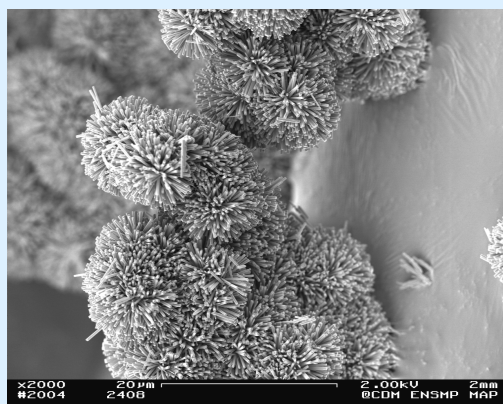
Ni(OH)₂



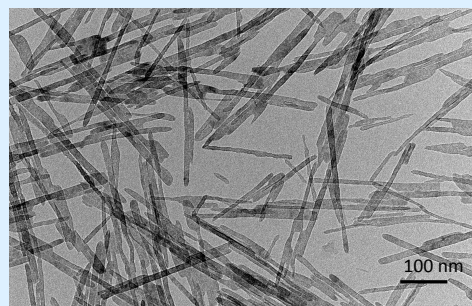
Co(OH)₂



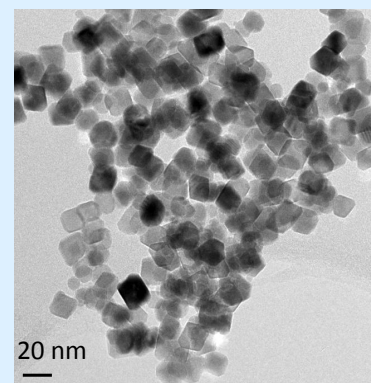
ZnO



ZnO



AlOOH



CeO₂

Outline

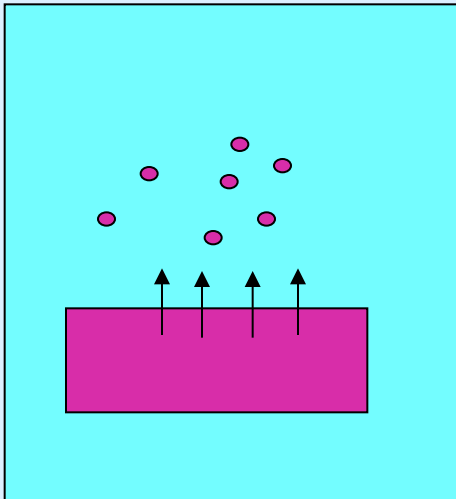
- 1) Basic concepts
- 2) Strategies
 - Homogeneous precipitation
 - double jet with pH control
 - Crystallization of amorphous precipitate
- 3) conclusions

(hydr)oxide precipitation : introduction

supersaturation

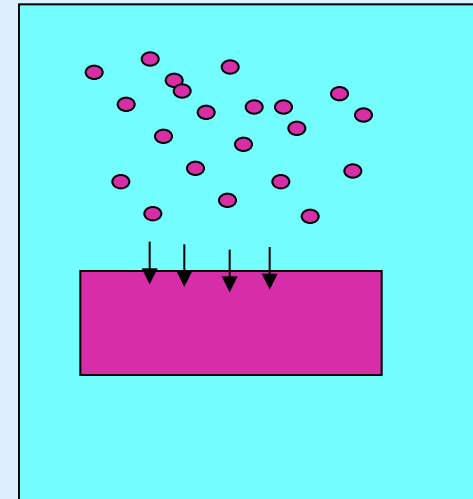
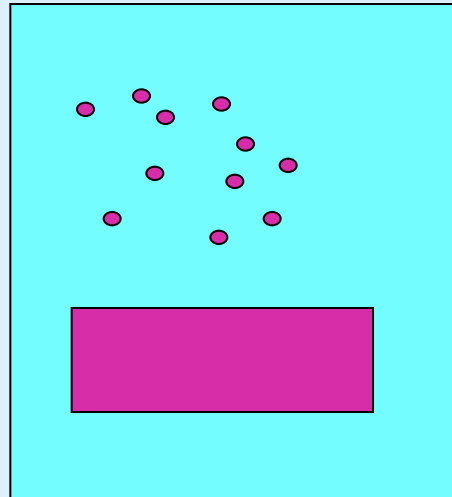
Equilibrium solid-solution $[A(\text{solution})]=[A_{\text{equilibrium}}]$

$[A(\text{solution})]<[A_{\text{equilibrium}}]$



dissolution

$[A(\text{solution})]>[A_{\text{equilibrium}}]$
supersaturation



precipitation (nucléation, croissance)

kinetics

Some models give kinetics laws for nucleation and growth, functions of supersaturation and surface tension e.g. :

$$\text{Nucleation rate } J = J_0 \exp\left(-\frac{\Delta G_{i^*}}{RT}\right) \quad \text{with} \quad \frac{\Delta G_{i^*}}{RT} = \frac{4\Theta^3}{27(\ln S)^2}$$

Θ prop. Surface tension γ

$$\text{Growth rate for 2D nucleation: } V_F^\perp = C_1 S \exp\left(-\frac{C_2 \gamma^2}{k^2 T^2 \ln S}\right)$$

Ideal case: no overlapping between nucleation and growth regimes

Classification of the behaviour of non charged MO_nH_{2n-z} species

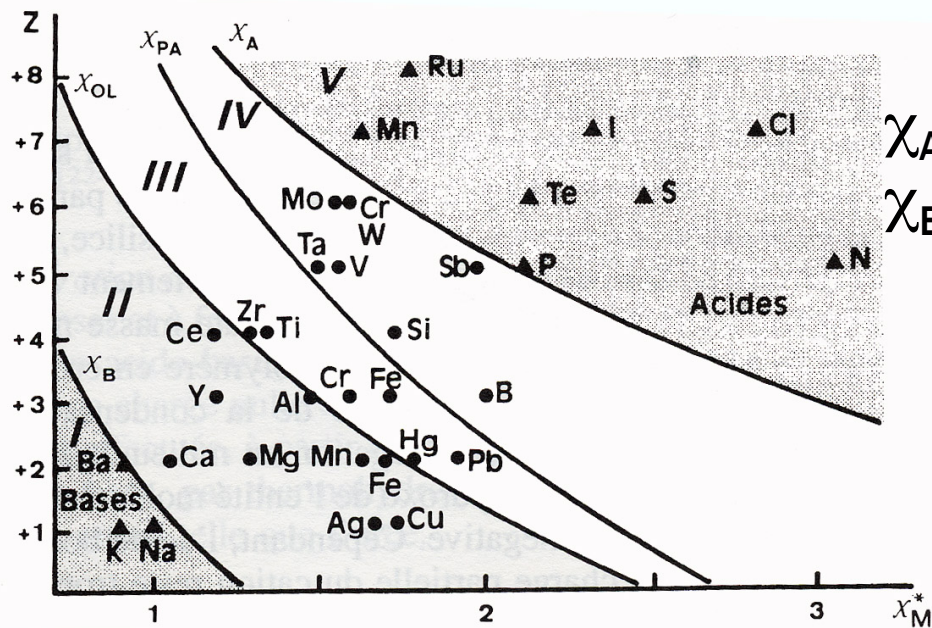
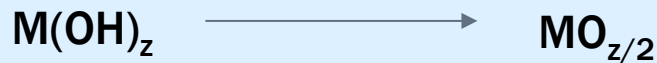


Diagram charge x electronegativity

$\chi_{A,z}$ = boundary of strong acid behaviour

$\chi_{B,z}$ = boundary of strong base behaviour



Zone II: olation, hydroxides are stable

Zone III: oxyhydroxides and oxides

Zone IV: oxolation, oxides are stable

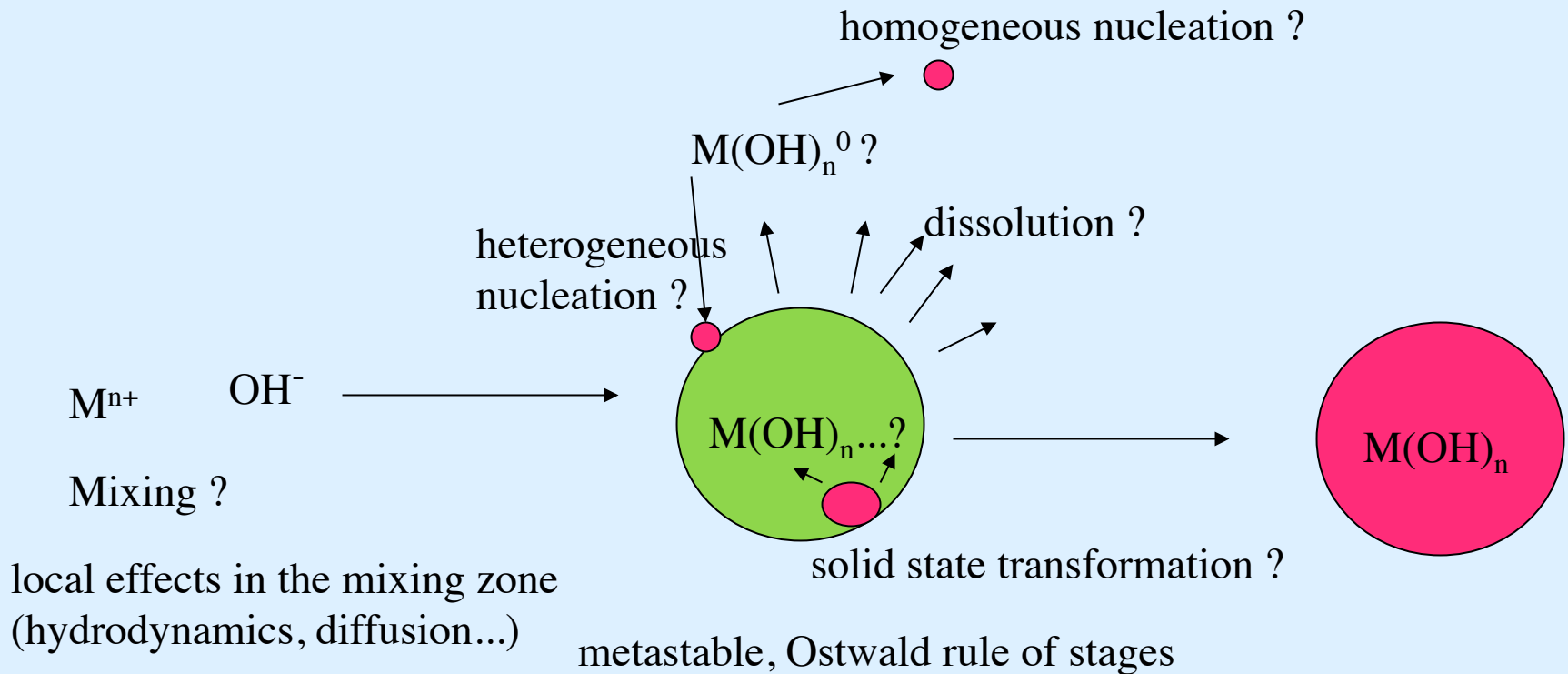


Olation



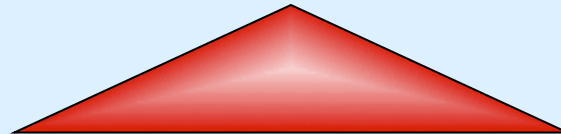
Oxolation

Hydroxides precipitation: complex phenomena...



The practice

Many works aiming at controlling cristallinity, size and shape of nanoparticles and multi-scale particles



pH
concentration
hydrodynamics
temperature

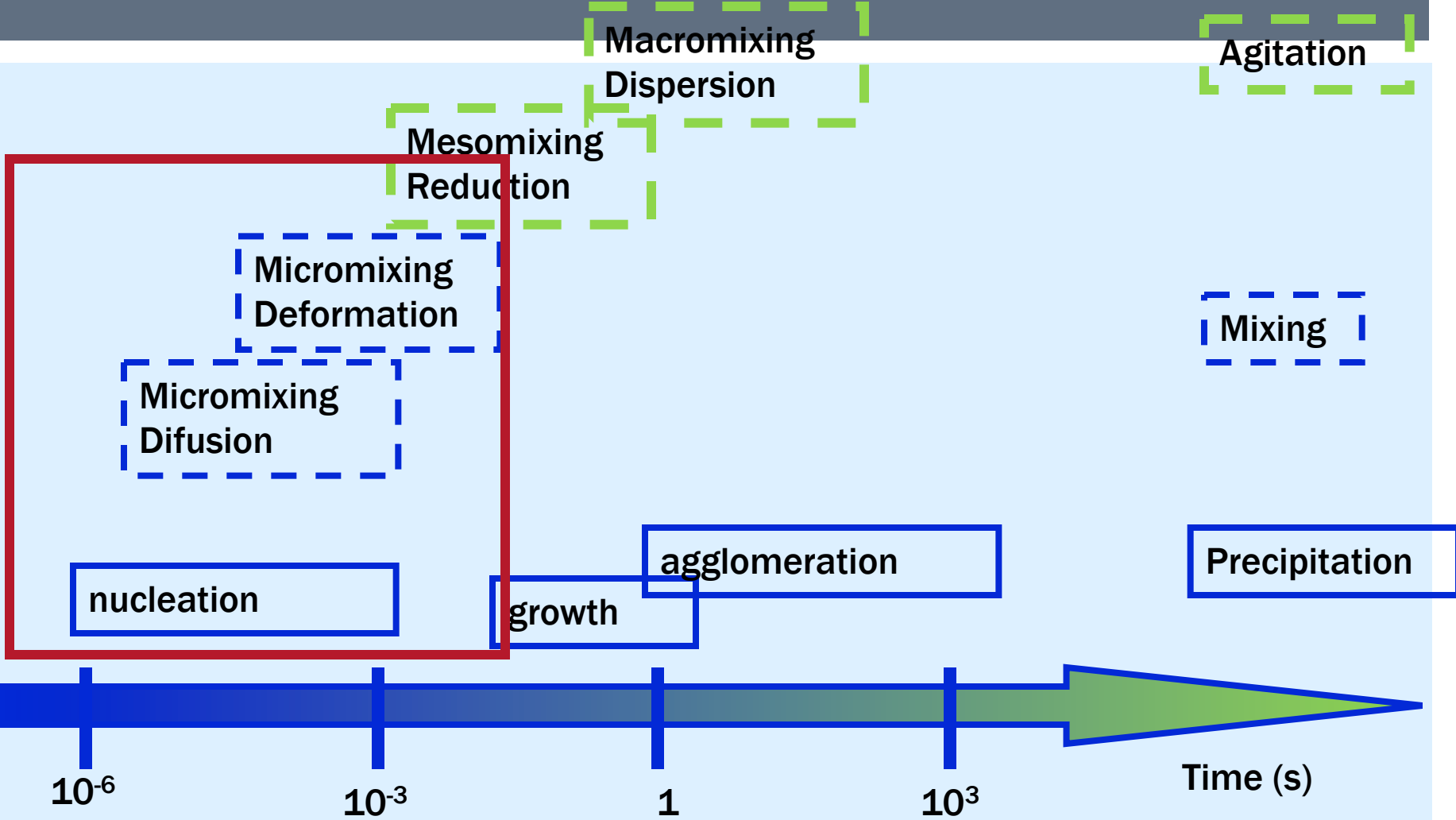
additives

anion
surfactant
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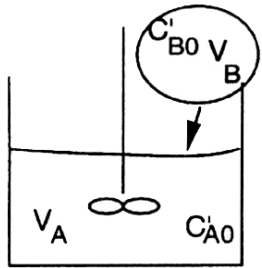
templates

hard
soft

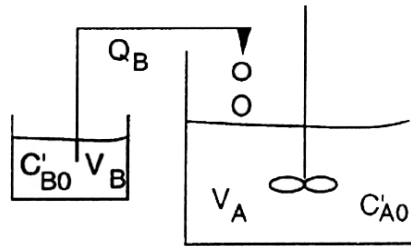
Comparison of characteristic times of mixing and precipitation processes



Reactors

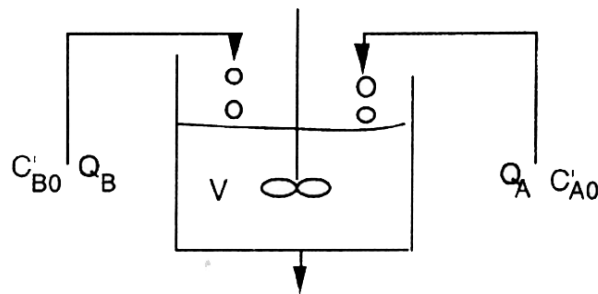


(B)



(SBSJ)

Single jet or double jet ?



(C)

Single jet:

- Nucleation close to the injection zone
- local pH ?
- pH variations in the whole volume
- Bulk pH variations with time

Double jet:

- Stationary regime
- Bulk pH control
- Nucleation and growth in the bulk

To mix or not to mix



Double jet mixing

- fine control of the bulk physico-chemical conditions (pH)
- Separated jets**: nucleation and growth in the bulk vs injection zone
- Transformation of metastable first precipitates controlled by the bulk conditions

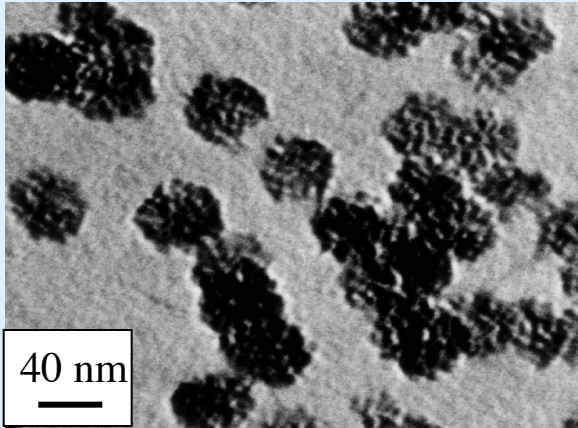
Homogeneous precipitation

- Thermohydrolysis (acidic: Fe^{3+} or Ti^{4+})
- ammonia decomplexation** (divalent transition elements)
- In-situ OH^{-} production : urea decomposition (amorphous hydroxycarbonates)

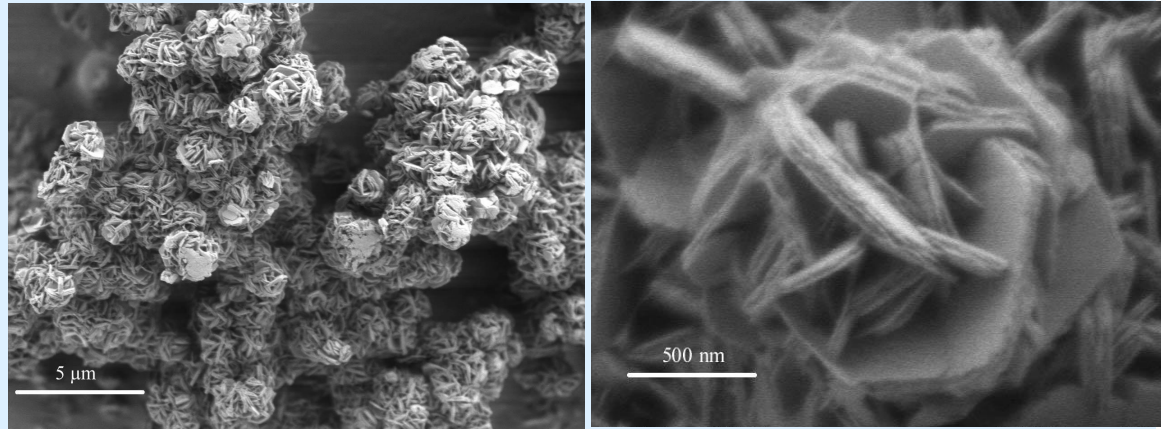
Homogeneous precipitation

Homogeneous precipitation for particle size and morphology control

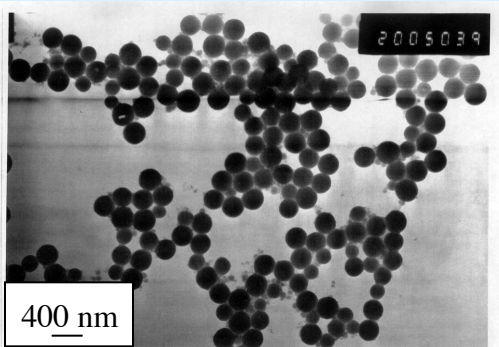
TiO₂ via thermohydrolysis:
(thesis G. Raskopf, 1990)



Ni(OH)₂ via heating a solution of Ni(NH₃)₆²⁺
(thesis Ph. Carlach, 2003)



Y(OH)CO₃ via urea decomposition
(thesis S. Neveu, 1995)



$v_0=0.20 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$, $y_0=0.02 \text{ mol.dm}^{-3}$, $T=100.5 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, $t_{\text{préc}}=65 \text{ minutes}$, $c_{\text{germes}}=1.27 \cdot 10^{18} \text{ part.m}^{-3}$, $N_R=600 \text{ rpm}$, grossissement 40000.

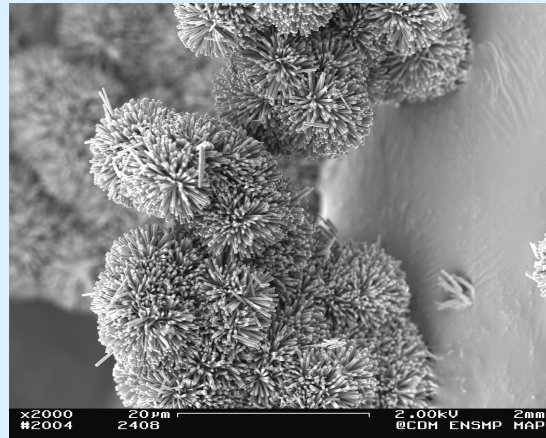
Homogeneous precipitation:
-monodisperse particles
-nanostructures

Homogeneous precipitation

Ammonia ligand removal

Zinc oxide pom-pom-like particles, shape control by pH

J.-F. Hocheplé, A.P. Almeida de Oliveira, V. Guyot-Ferréol and J.-F. Tranchant, J. Crystal Growth 283 (2005) 156-162

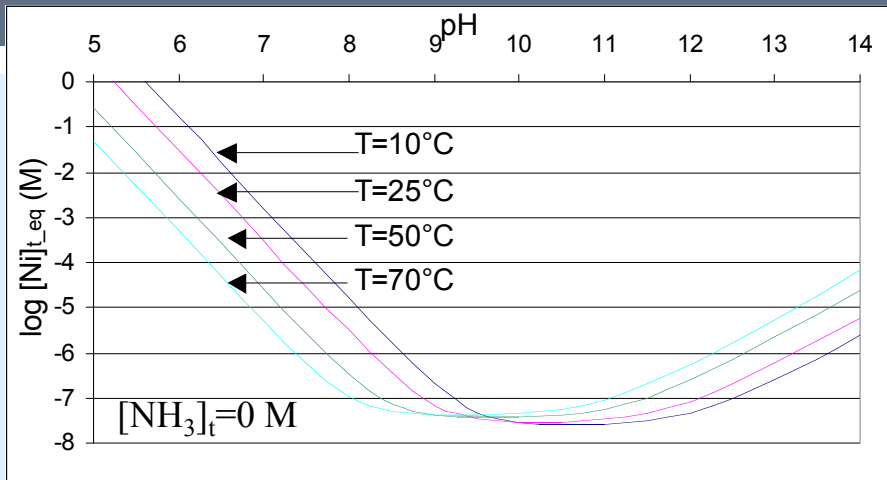


Nickel and cobalt hydroxides:: pH and surfactant effects

C. Coudun and J.-F. Hocheplé, J. Phys. Chem. B 109 (2005) 6069-6074

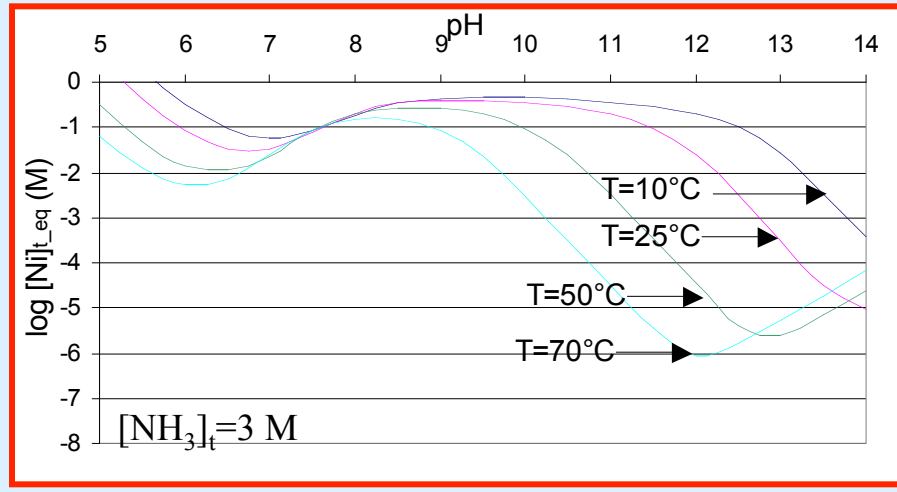
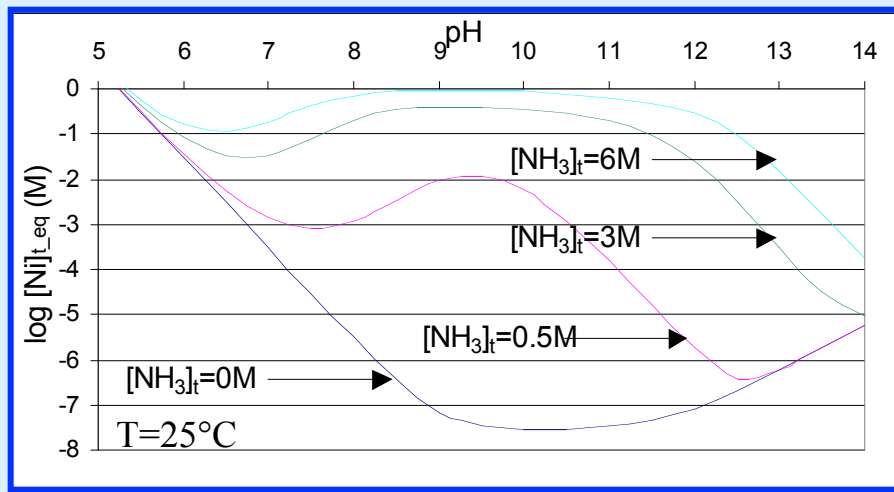
C. Coudun, E. Amblard, J. Guihaumé and J.-F. Hocheplé, Catalysis Today, 124 (2007) 49-54

Ni(II)-H₂O-Ni(OH)₂ ↓ NH₃



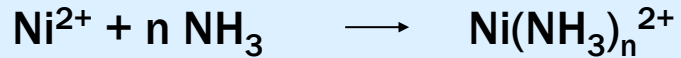
NH₃: complexation = high solubility

Very sensitive to temperature

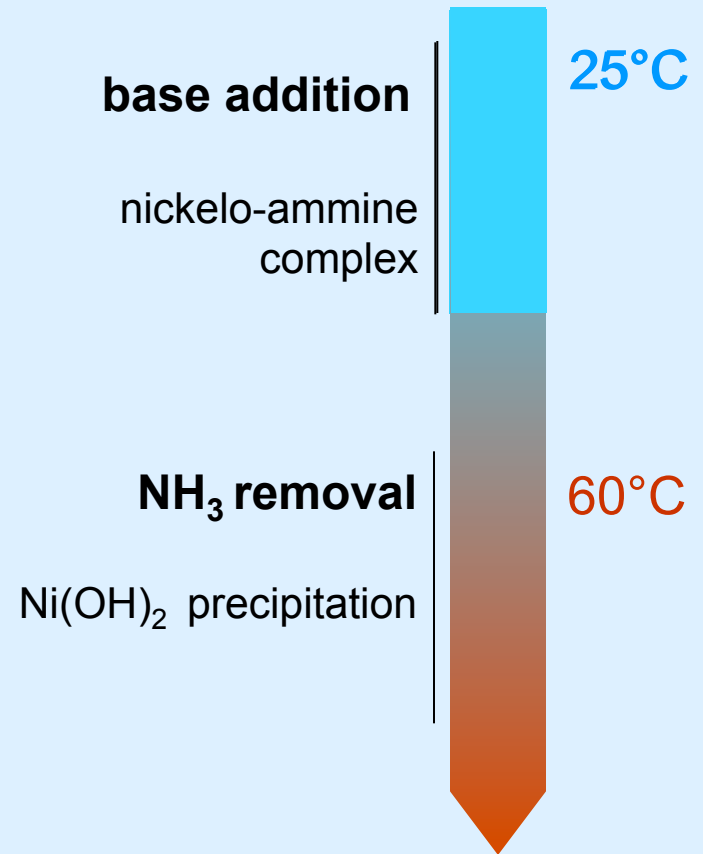
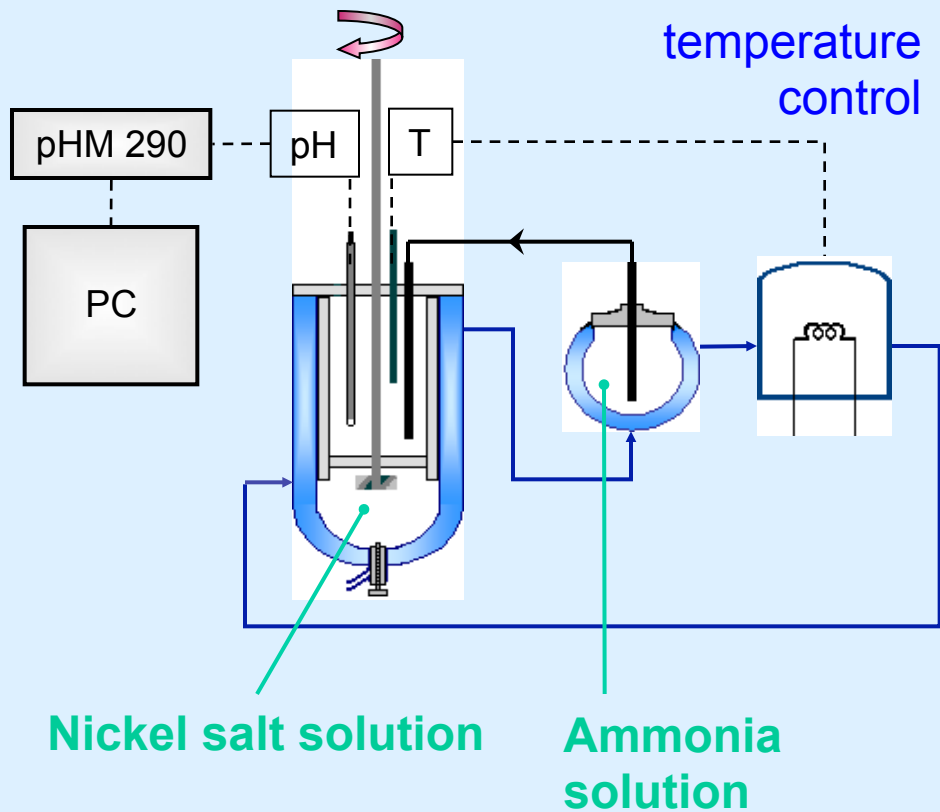


Synthesis by ammonia decomplexation

1) NH_3 slow addition to nickel salt at 25°C

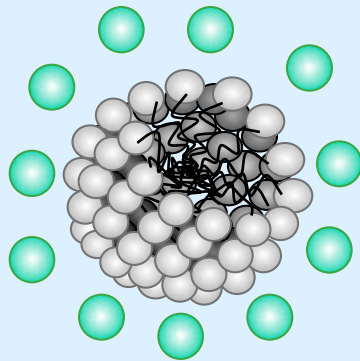


2) Heating (60°C), free pH, open air



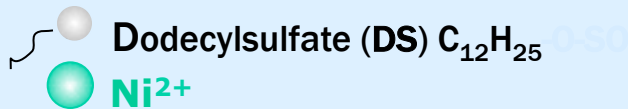
Coupling homogenous precipitation/ surfactant

comparison: **nitrate** $\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_3)_2$, **sulphate** NiSO_4
and **surfactant** (dodecylsulfate) functionalized nickel : $\text{Ni}(\text{DS})_2$ ($\text{DS}=\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}\text{SO}_4$)



$c > \text{c.m.c.}$
direct micelle
 $\sim 10 \text{ nm}$

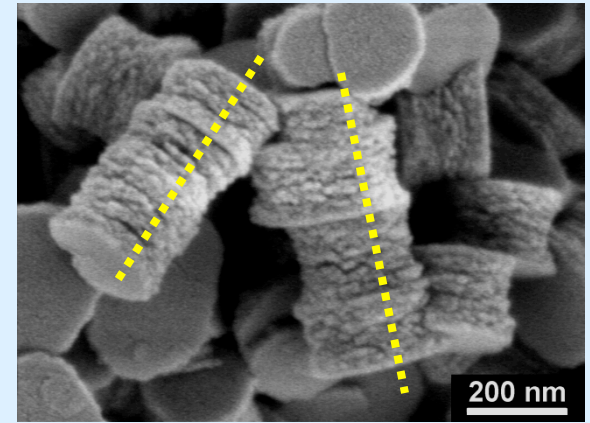
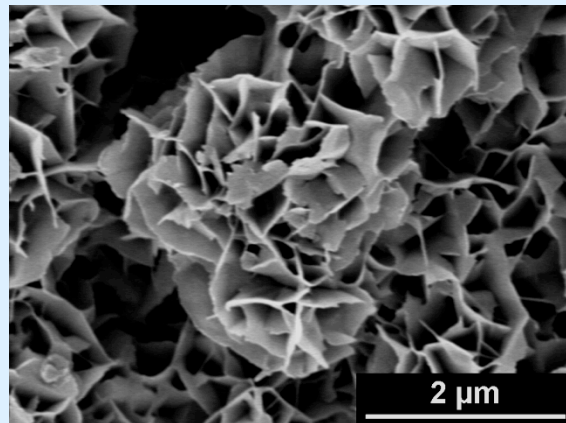
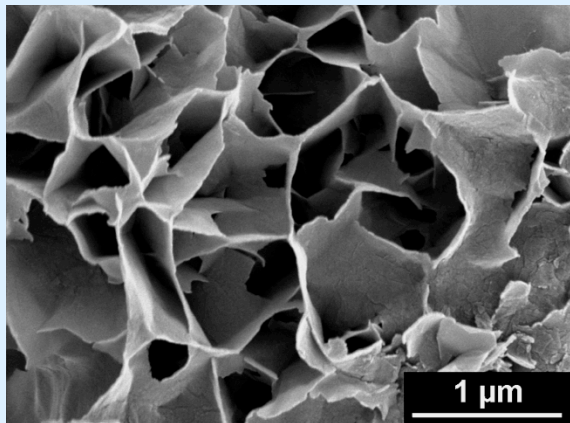
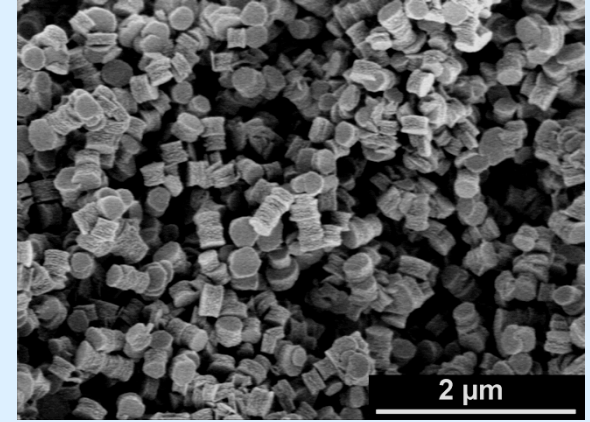
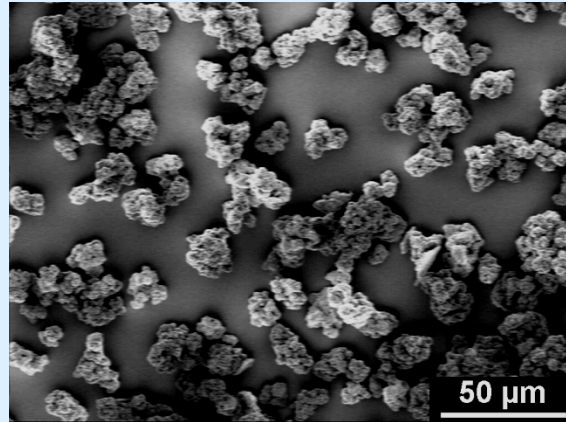
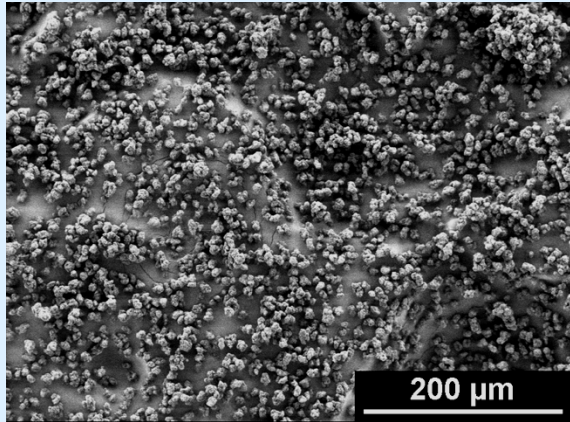
Reactant: high local concentration
Contrary to nitrate or sulphate,
dodecylsulfate does not enter in the
hydroxide structure



Morphologies

particles ~10 μm : sponge-like

Homogeneous nano-cylinders
(300 nm x 200 nm)

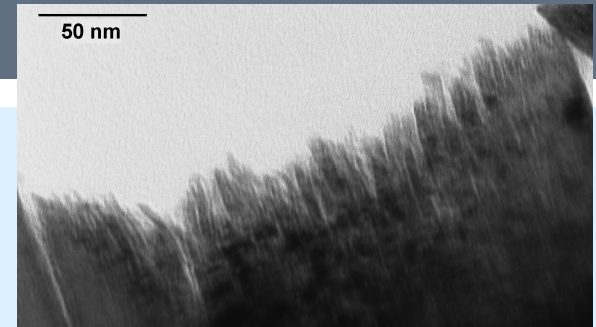
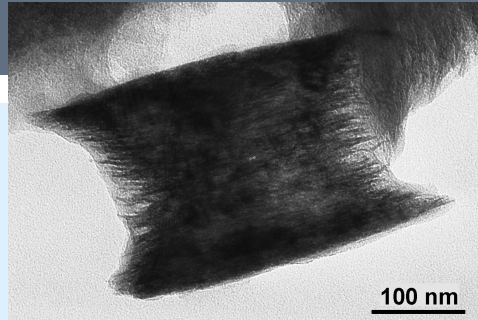
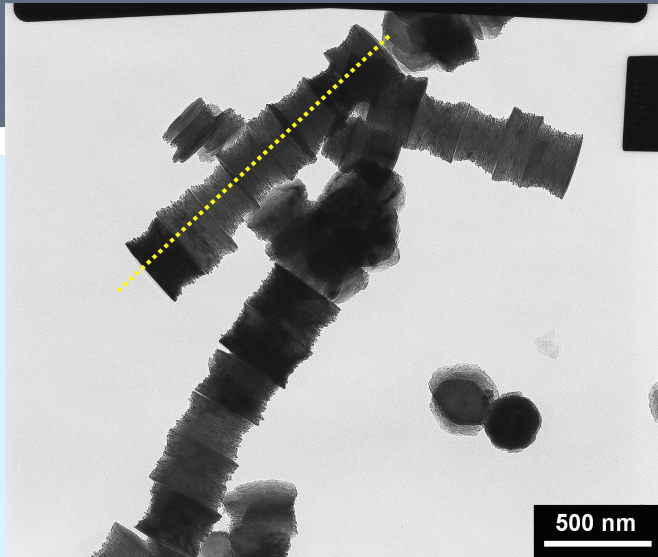


$\text{Ni}(\text{NO}_3)_2$

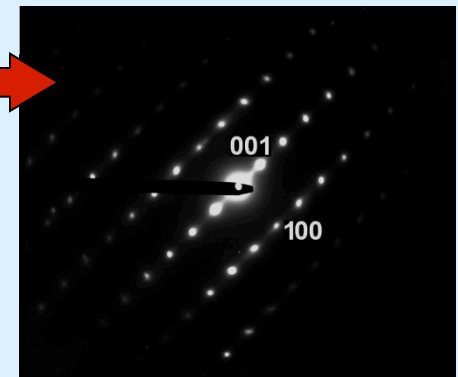
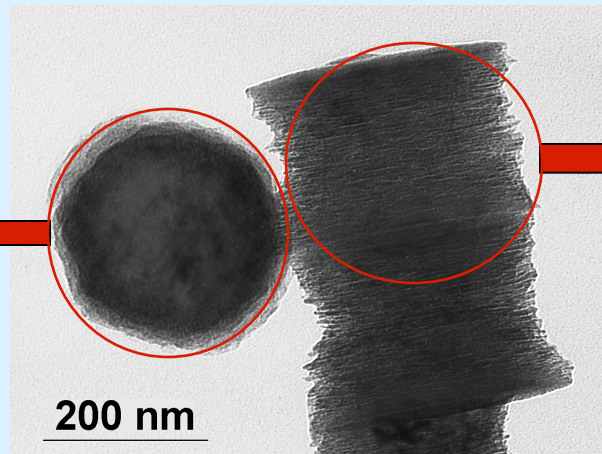
NiSO_4

$\text{Ni}(\text{DS})_2$

Cylinders from Ni(DS)₂ precursor

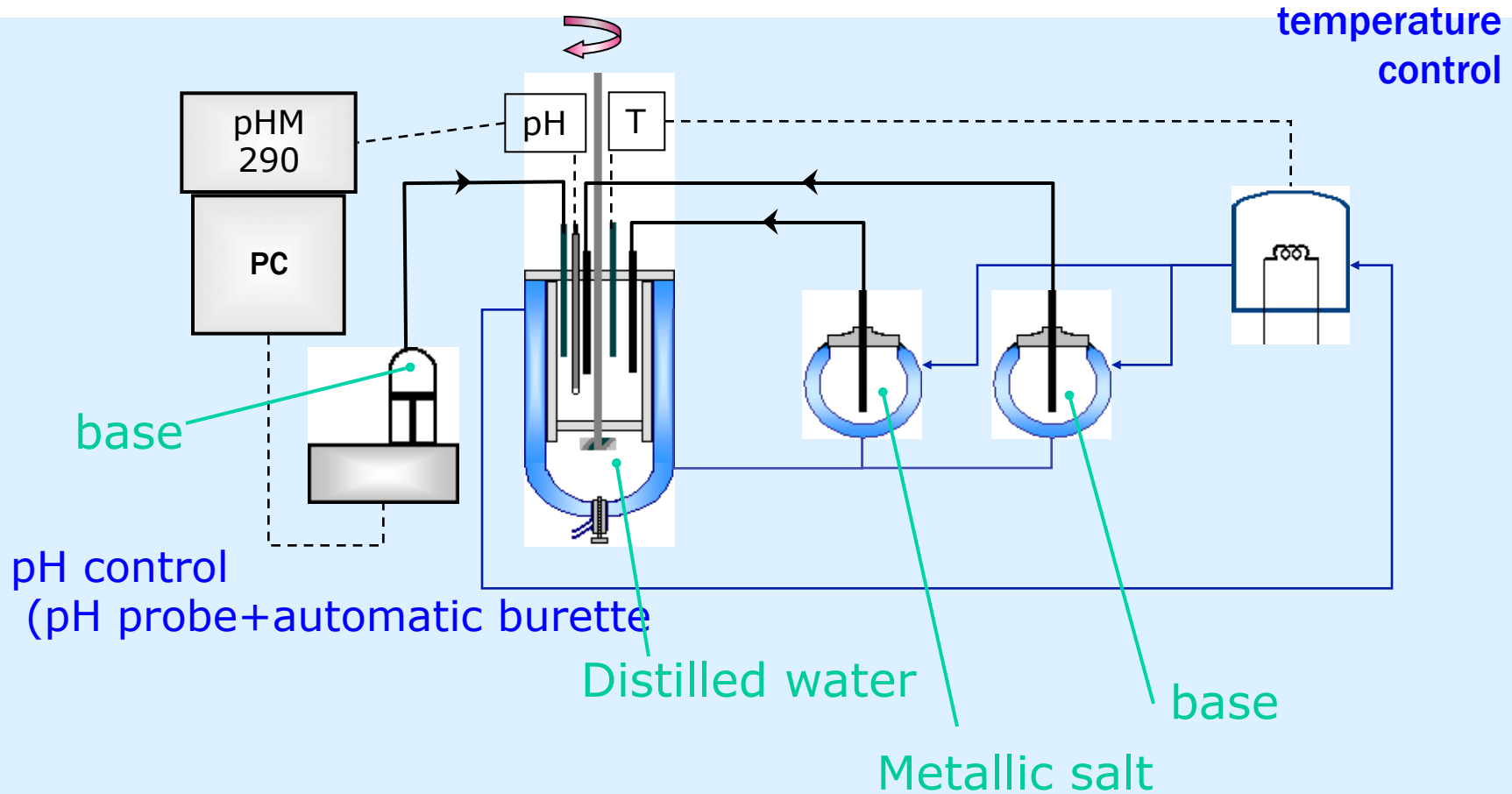


Stacks of Ni(OH)₂ pancakes ??



double jet

double jet with pH control



double-jet: experimental set-up

Mechanical stirrer

feeders

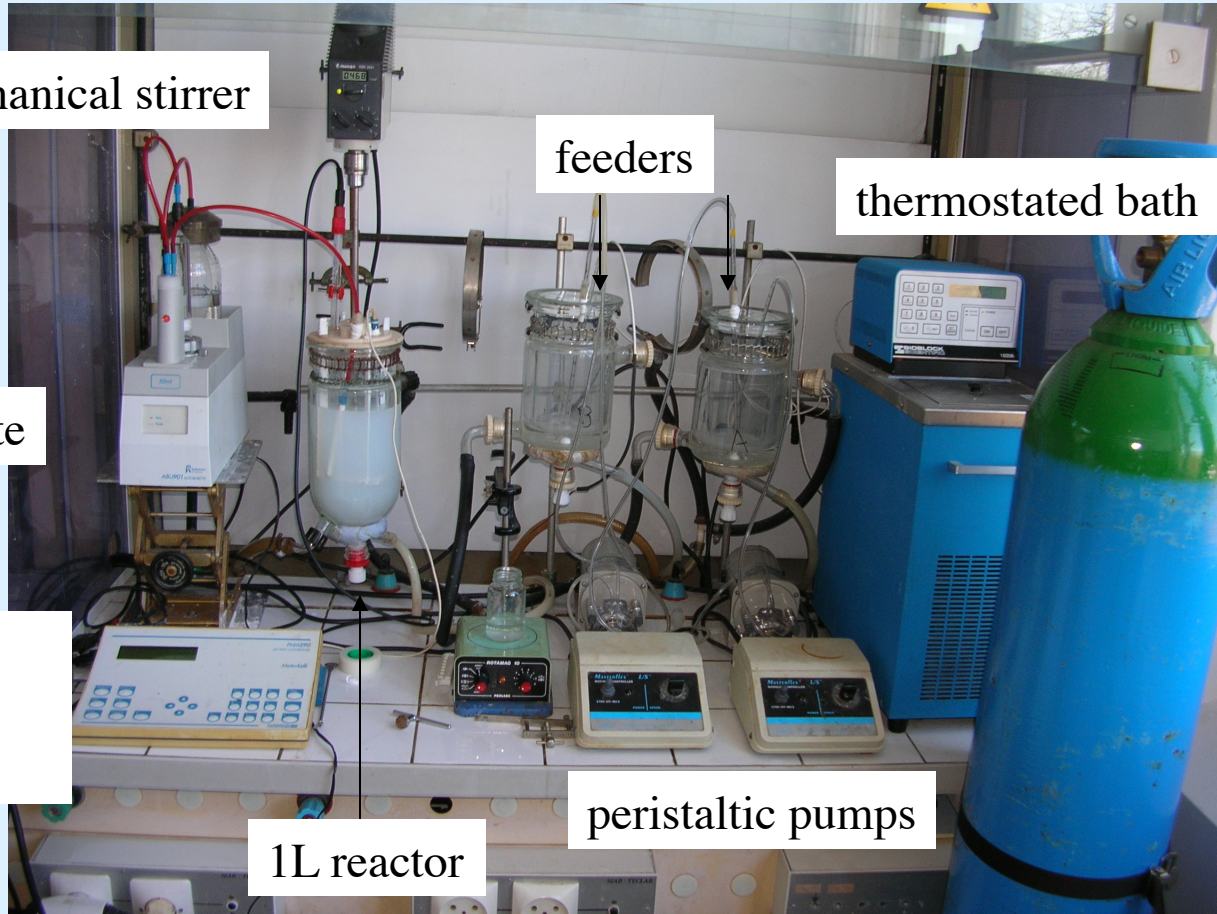
thermostated bath

automatic burette

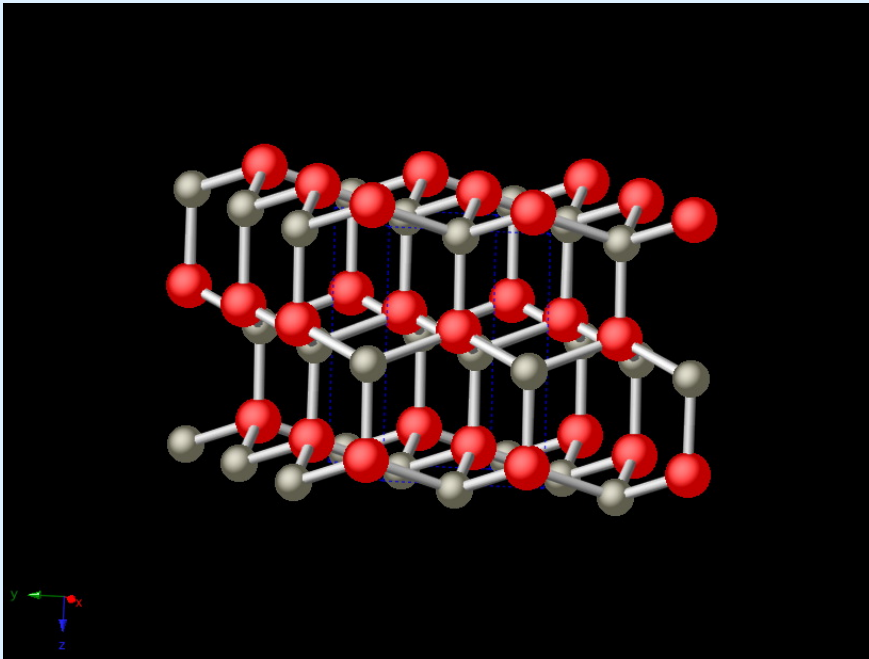
pH-stat
(burette
controler)

1L reactor

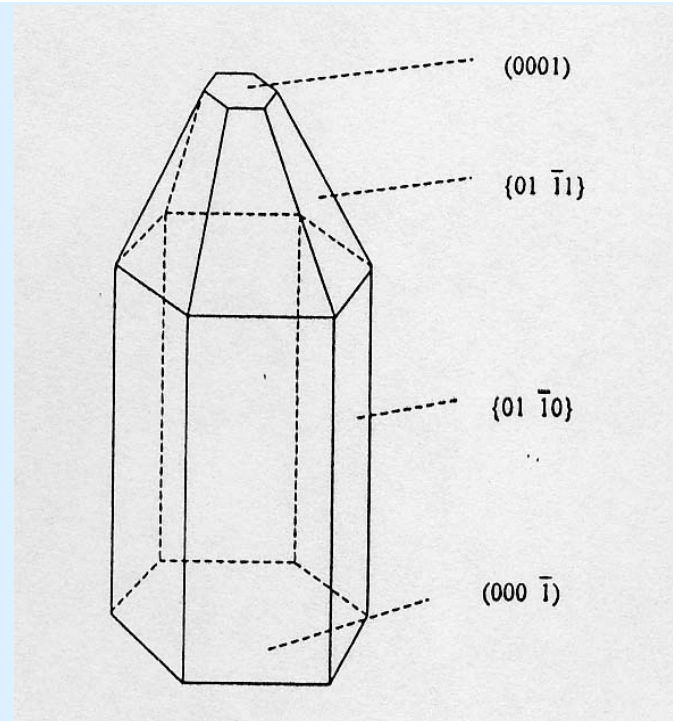
peristaltic pumps



Zinc Oxide

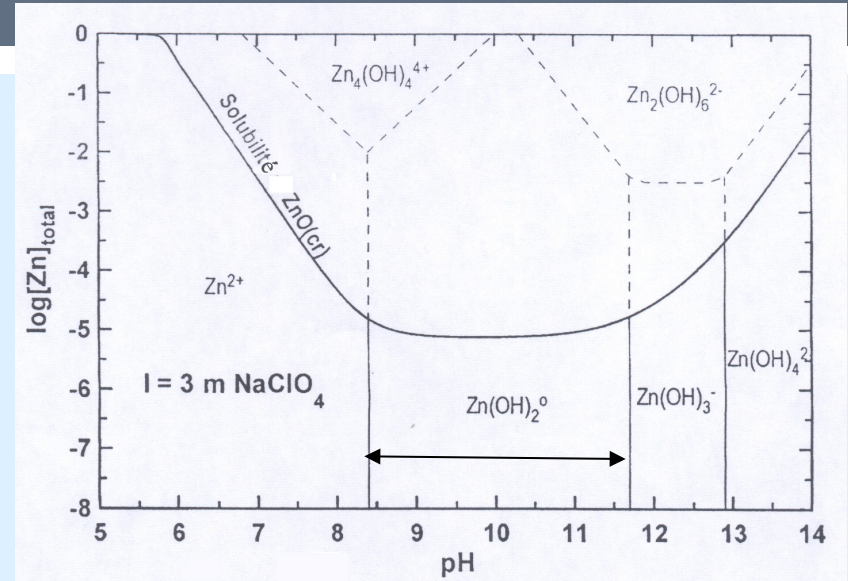
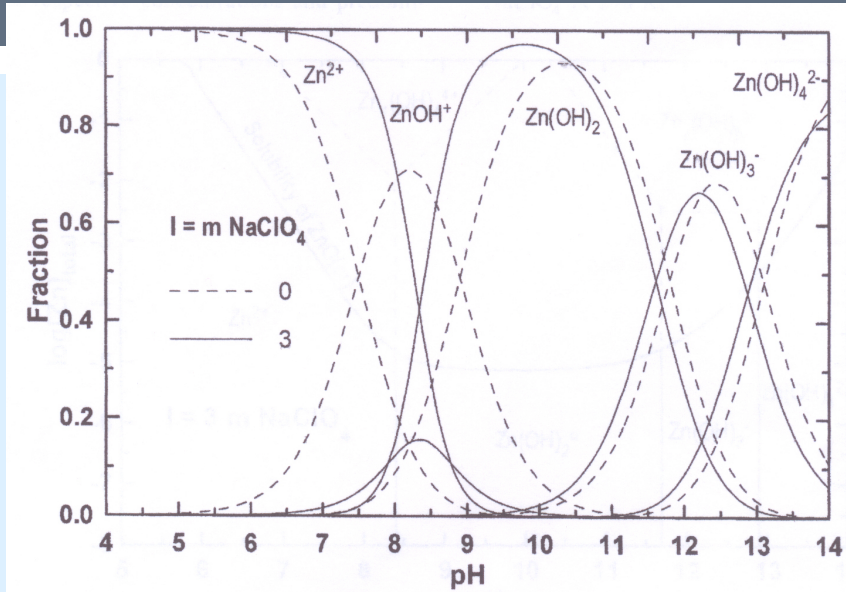


hexagonal, $a=3.25 \text{ \AA}$, $c=5.21 \text{ \AA}$



Growth habit [LI et al., 1999]

speciation and solubility

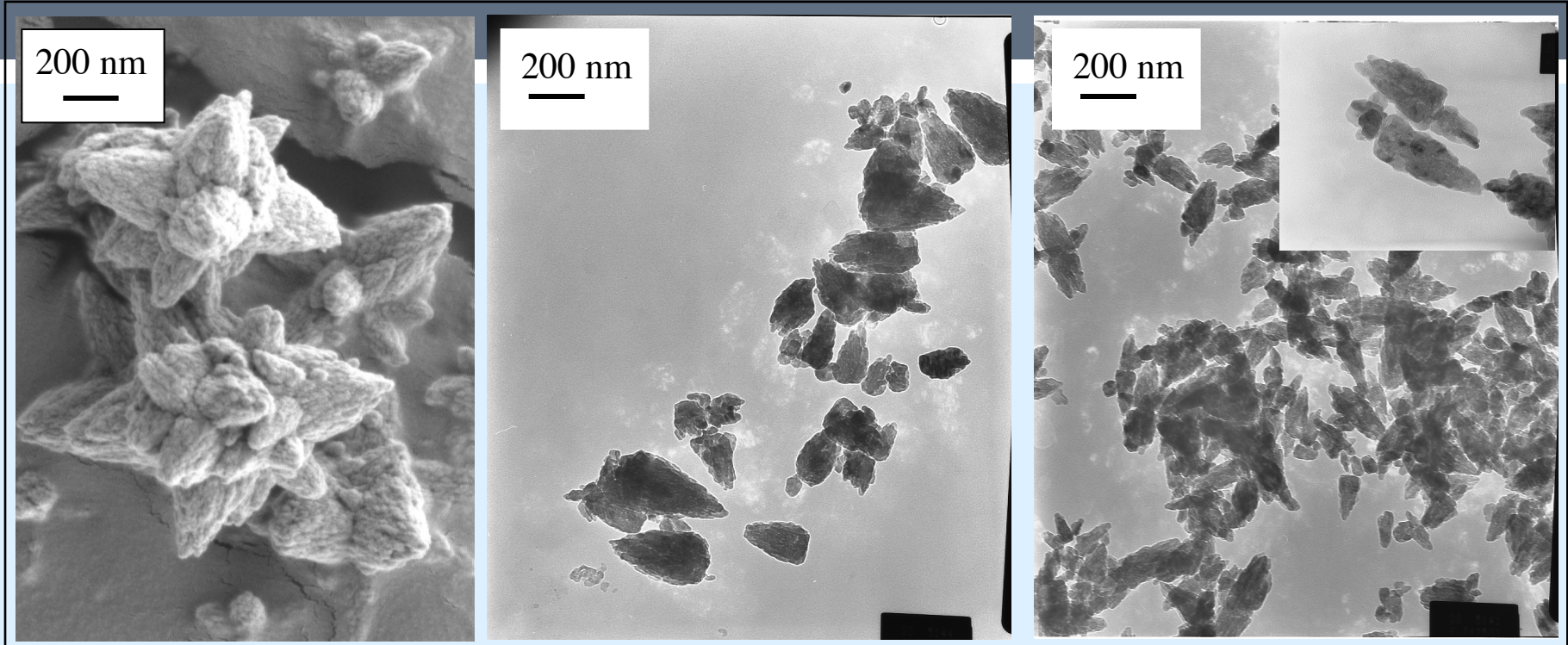


double jet: pH controlled during precipitation
speciation and supersaturation fixed

Choice of pH value: plateau of minimum solubility

plateau spreads over 3 pH units
-supersaturation
-speciation
-Particle surface charge

ZnO: Particles obtained at 25°C, pH=10.5

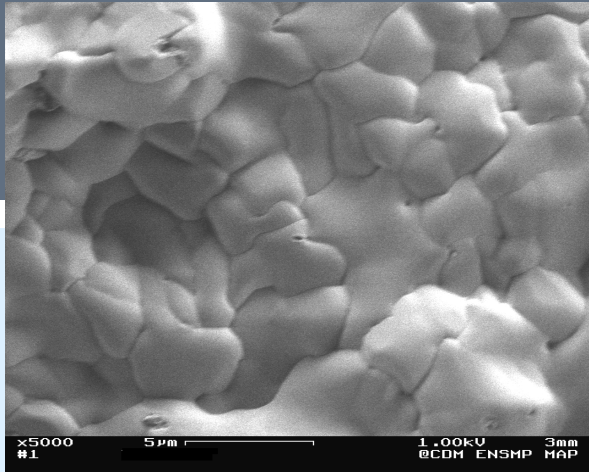


In distilled water
Star-like morphology
Nano sub-units

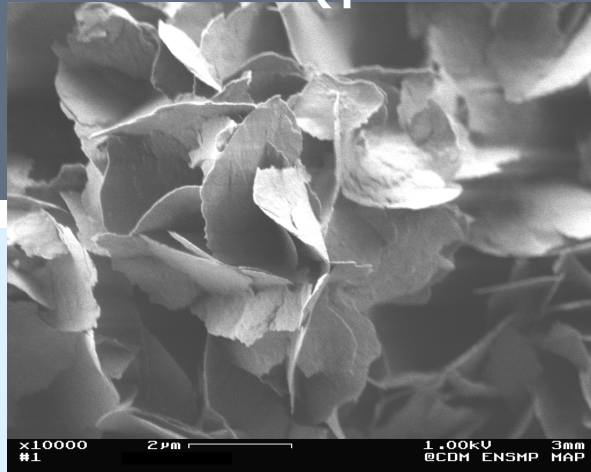
Sodium sulphate solution
menhirs
100nmx200nm
200nmx450nm

SDS solution :
Sticking by the basis
50nmx100nm
100nmx350nm

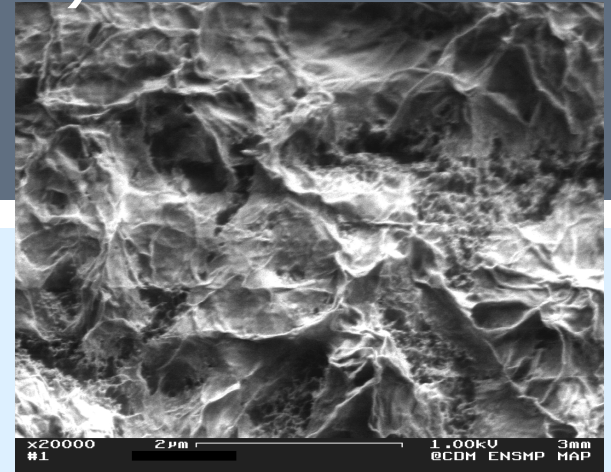
Kinetics (pH=10.5)



5min

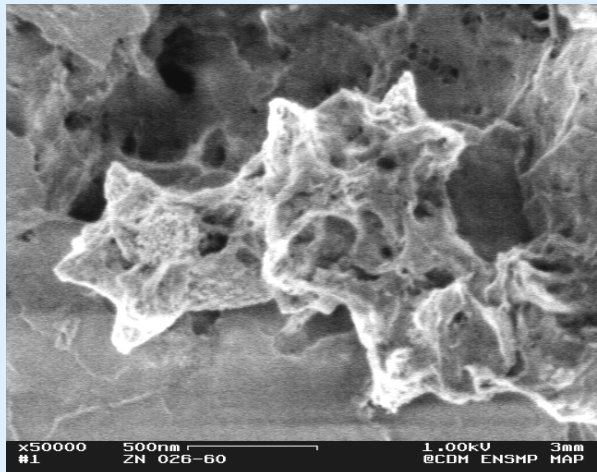


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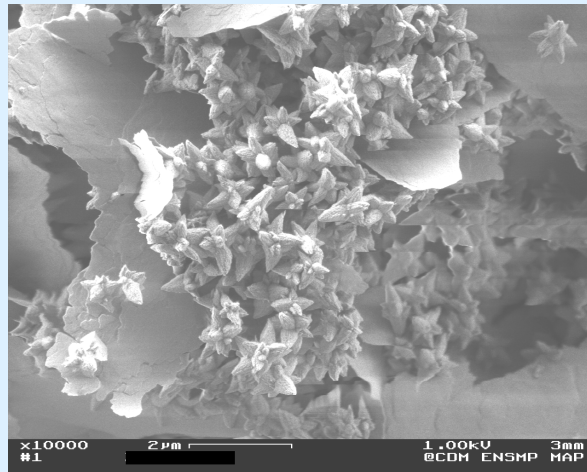


30min

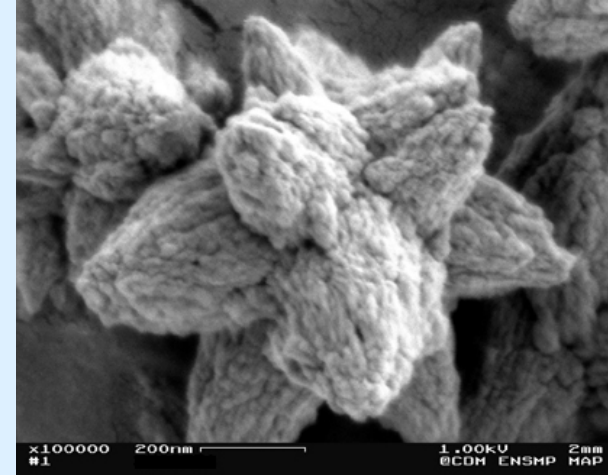
Time (min) →



60min



90min

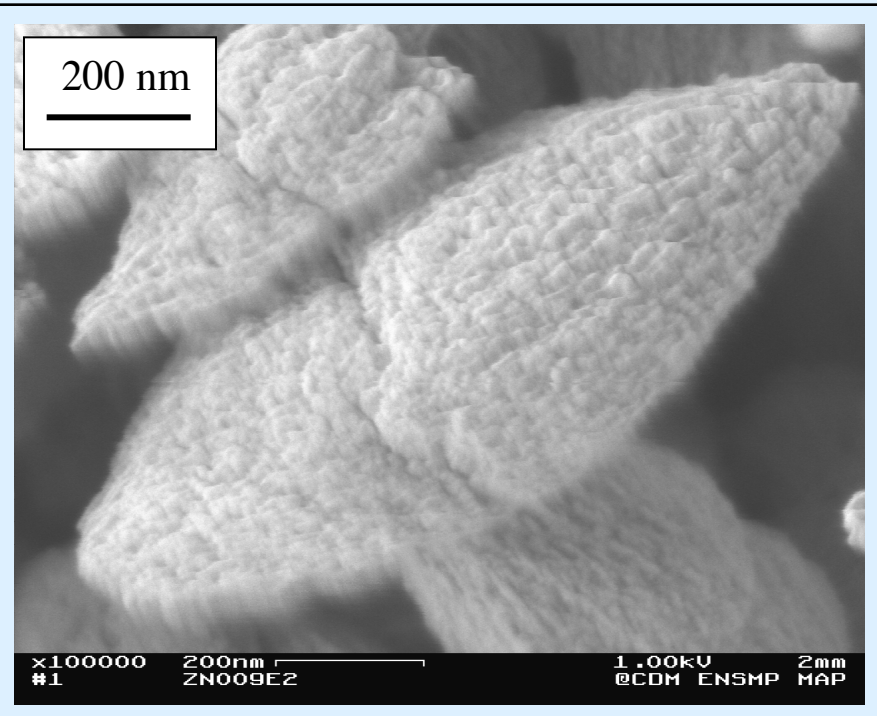
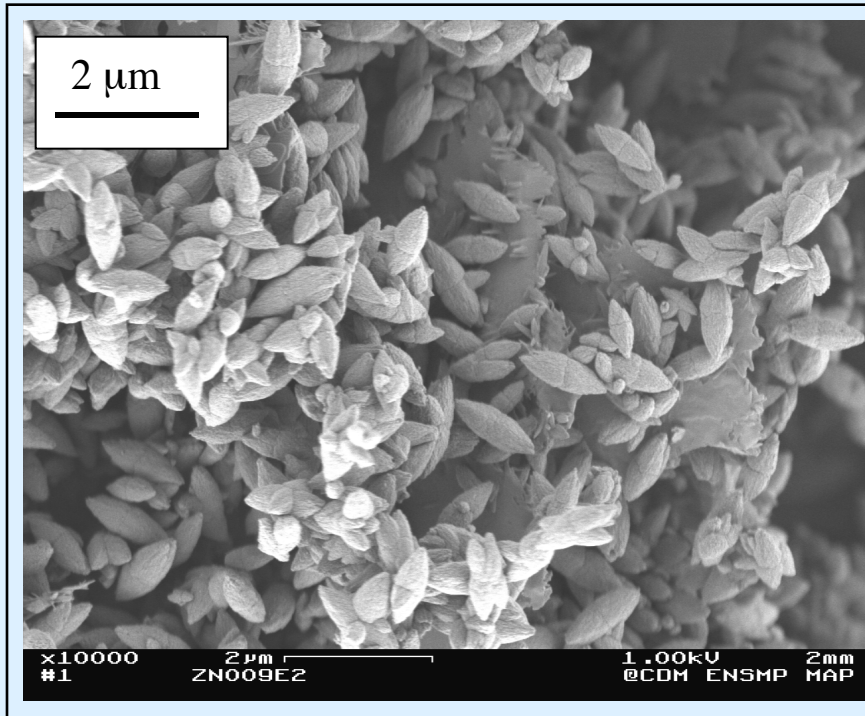


120min

Temps (min) →

ZnO: pH influence (double jet)

Same precipitation conditions as before (25 °C), slight pH change: : **pH= 9.5**



- Cones assembled by the basis
- Oriented nanoparticles build the cones

crystallization of amorphous precipitate

COLLOIDAL SUSPENSIONS OF PEROVSKITE SOLID-SOLUTION NANOPARTICLES FOR ENERGY CONVERSION TECHNOLOGIES

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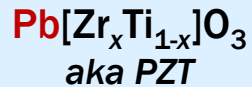
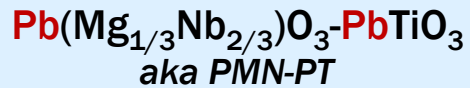
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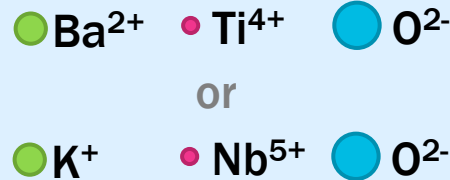
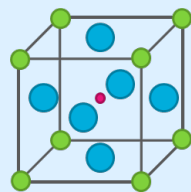
Why $\text{KNbO}_3\text{-BaTiO}_3$?

Proven ferroelectrics



Lead free

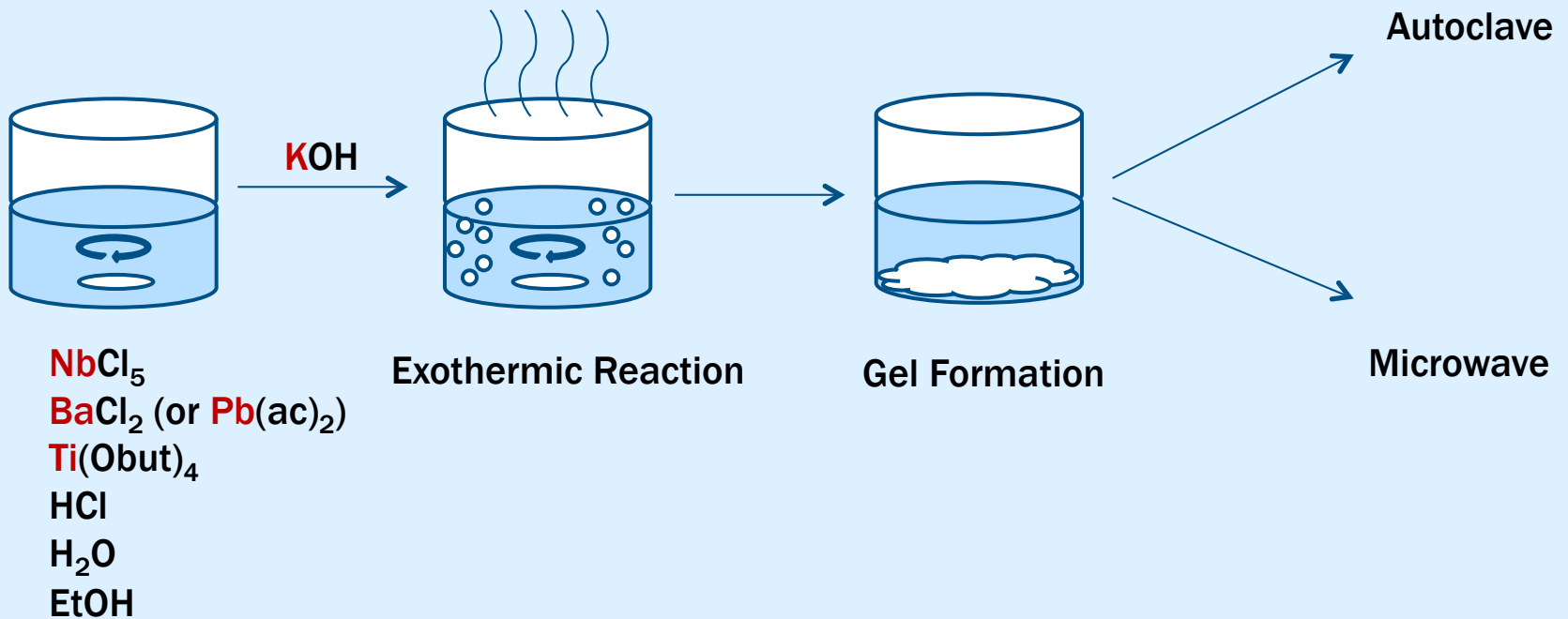
T_{Curie} $\text{BaTiO}_3 = 130\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$
 $\text{KNbO}_3 = 430\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$



Solid Solution

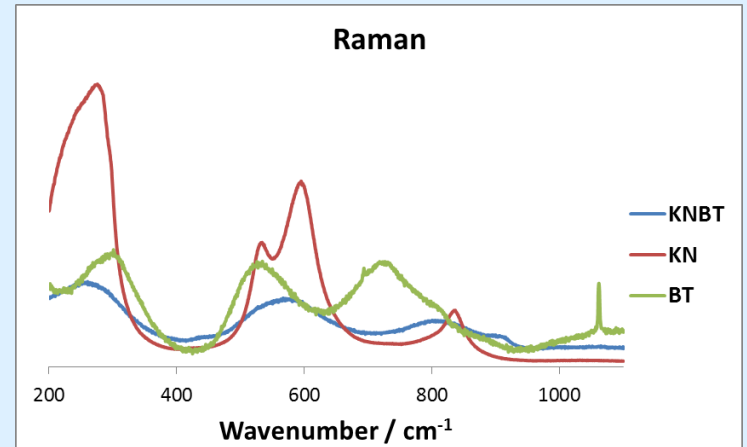
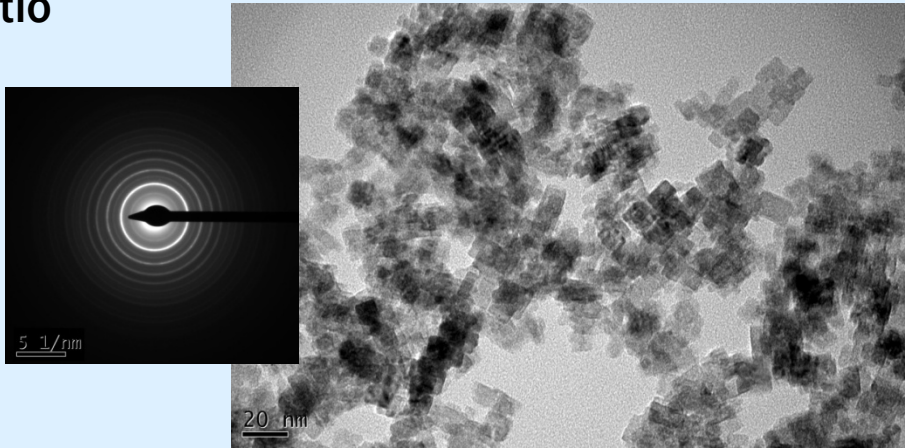
T_{Curie} → Ferroelectric becomes paraelectric → No spontaneous polarisation

Nanoparticle synthesis

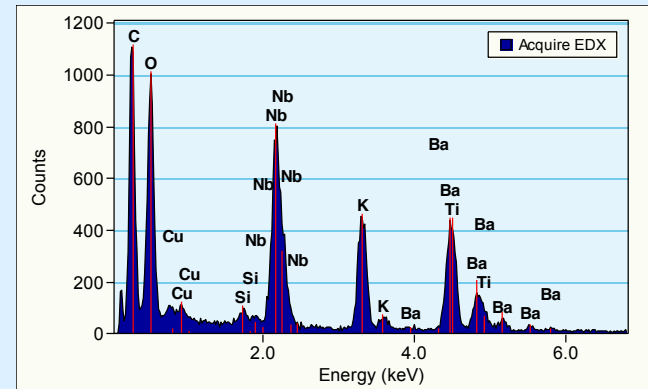
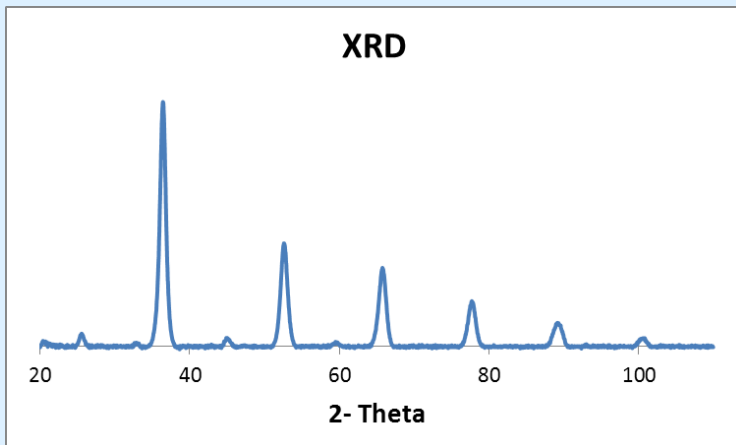


KNBT CHARACTERISATION

ratio



BET Surface : $100 \text{ m}^2\text{g}^{-1}$



ENGINEERING OF THERMOELECTRIC PROPERTIES IN THE TiO₂ - SnO₂ SYSTEM

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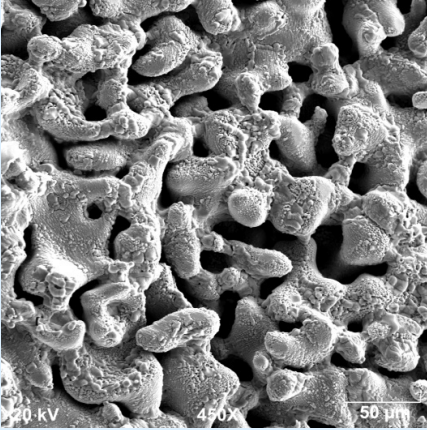
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Toward dense Sn rich composition

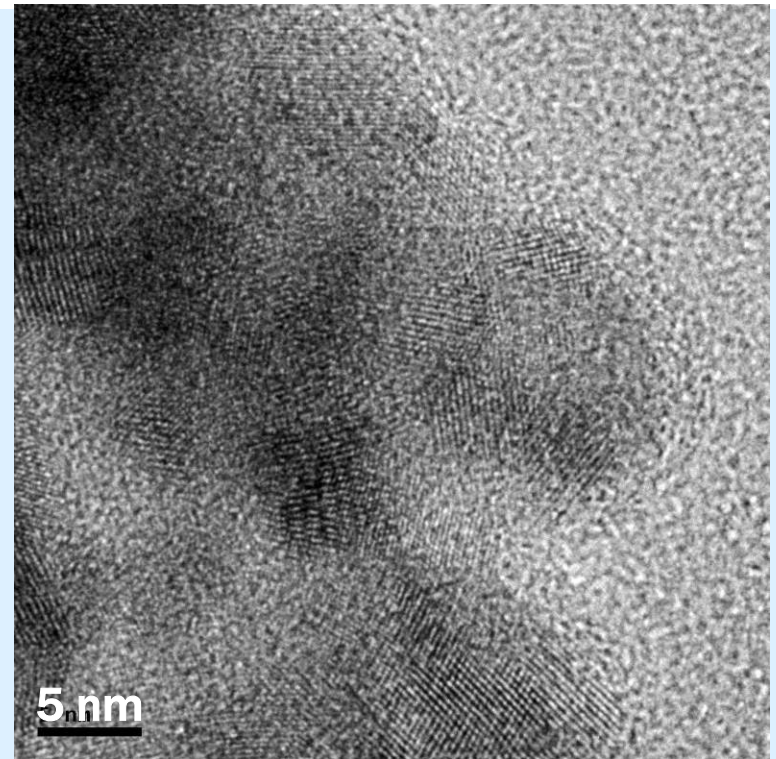
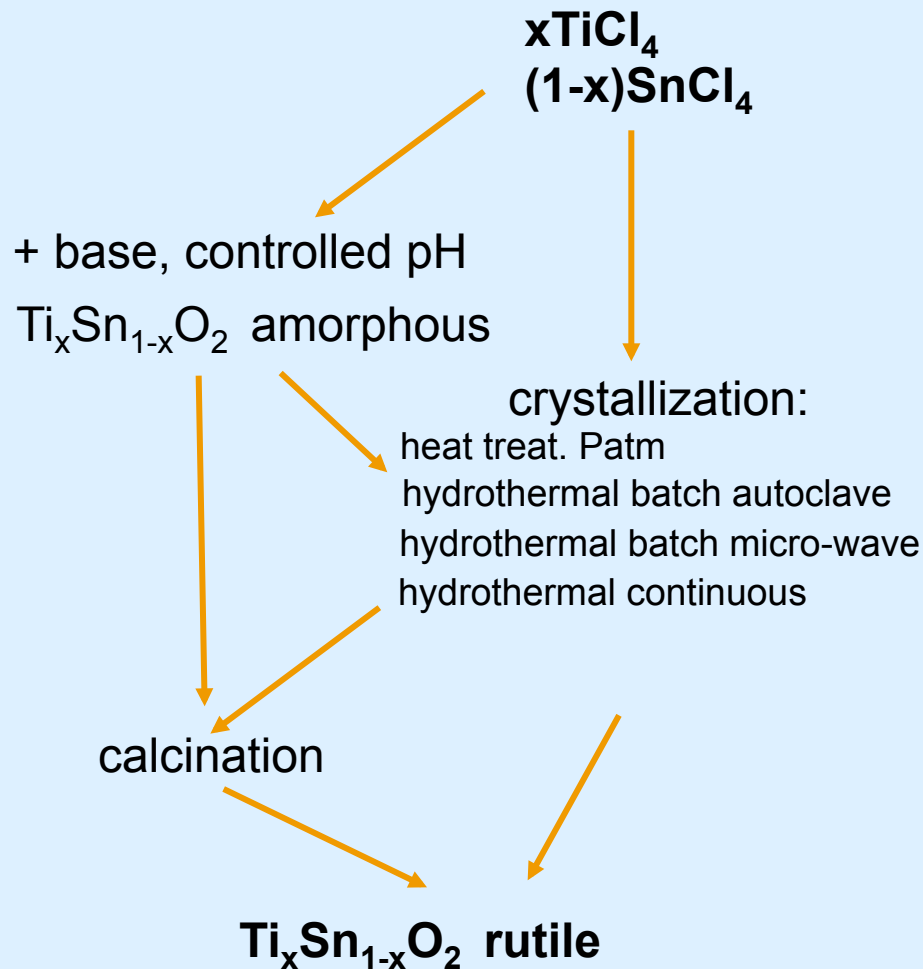


- Starting from TiO_2 and SnO_2 powders →
- Low densification of SnO_2 based compounds
Surface diffusion – Evaporation
- favorable for gas sensors ...
- detrimental for electronic conductivity

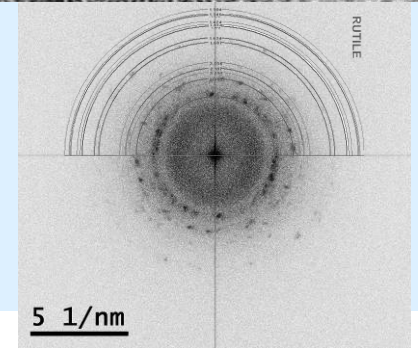
→ starting from powders with an atomic scale mixing of Ti and Sn

Which Densification ???

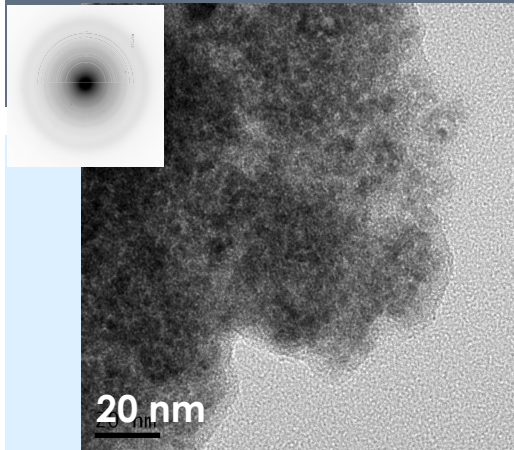
$\text{Ti}_x\text{Sn}_{1-x}\text{O}_2$ nanopowders by a Co-Precipitation route



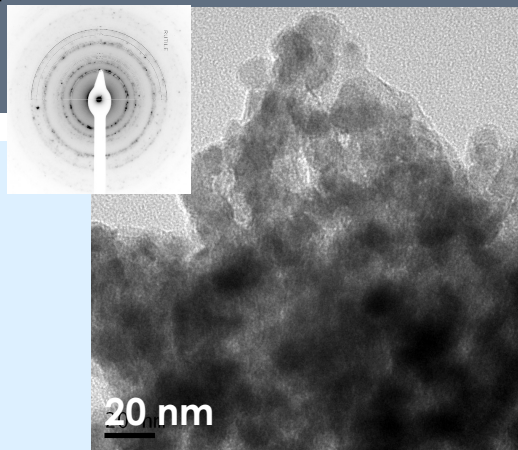
Calcined 500 °C



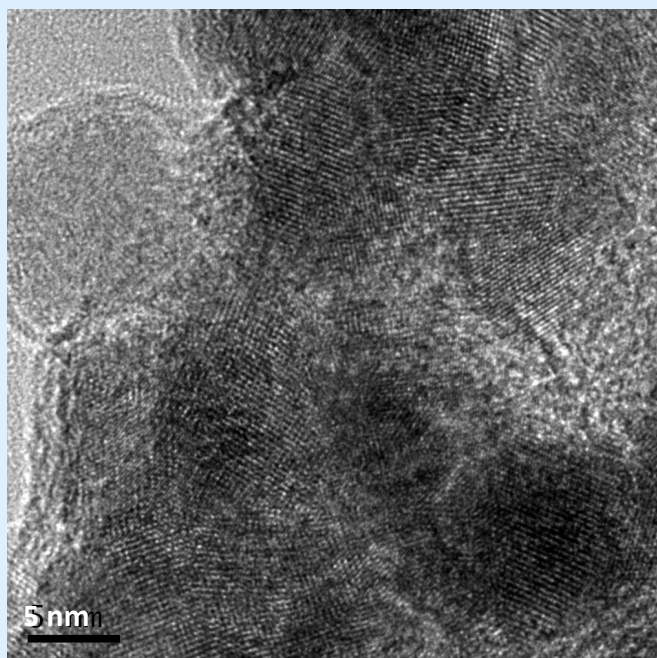
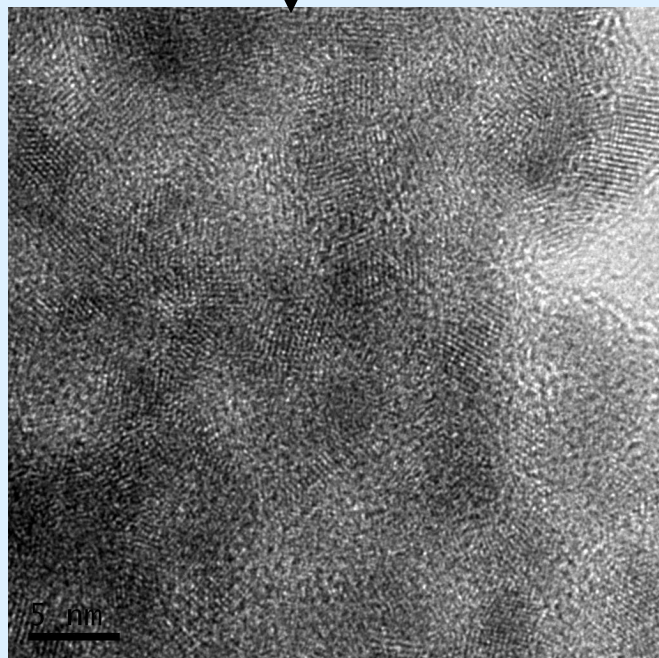
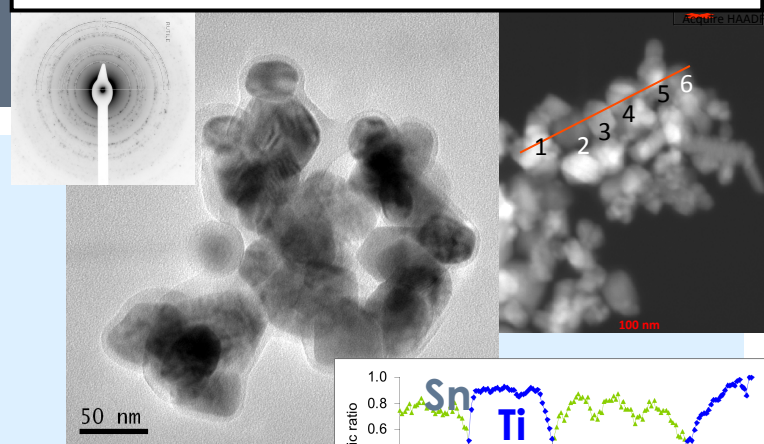
precipitate
→ 2nm rutile, solid
solution



600°C 3H → 20nm
rutile solid solution



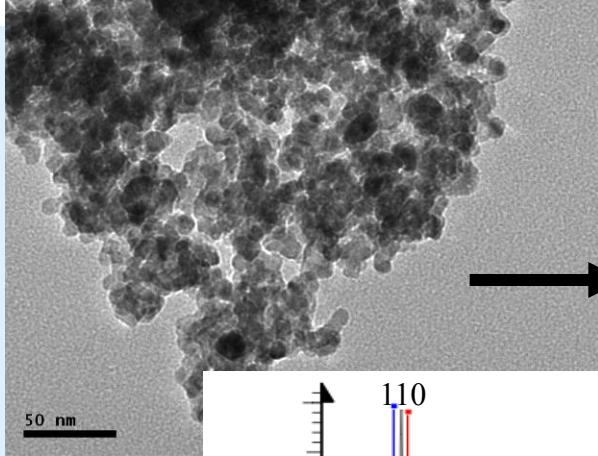
850°C 3H
→ 50nm Ti enriched + Sn
enriched



precipitation rutile
nano + calcination:
Rutile growth-
demixion Ti-Sn

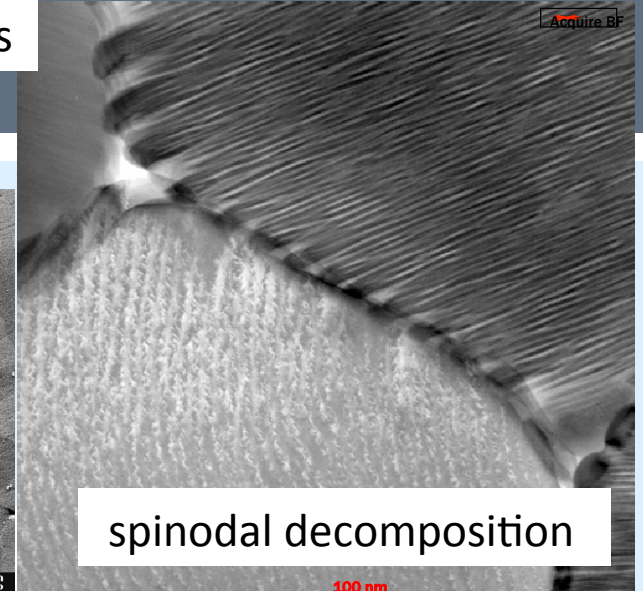
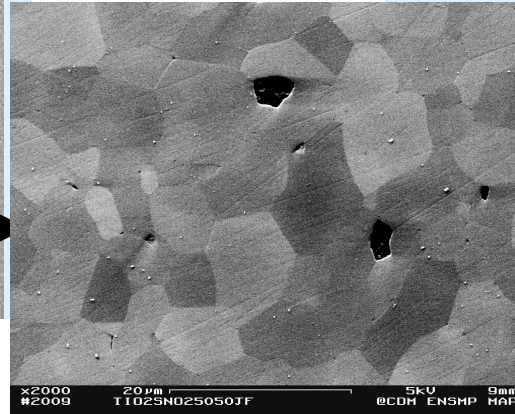
CERAMICS

nanoparticles $\text{Ti}_{0,5}\text{Sn}_{0,5}\text{O}_2$
coprecipitation

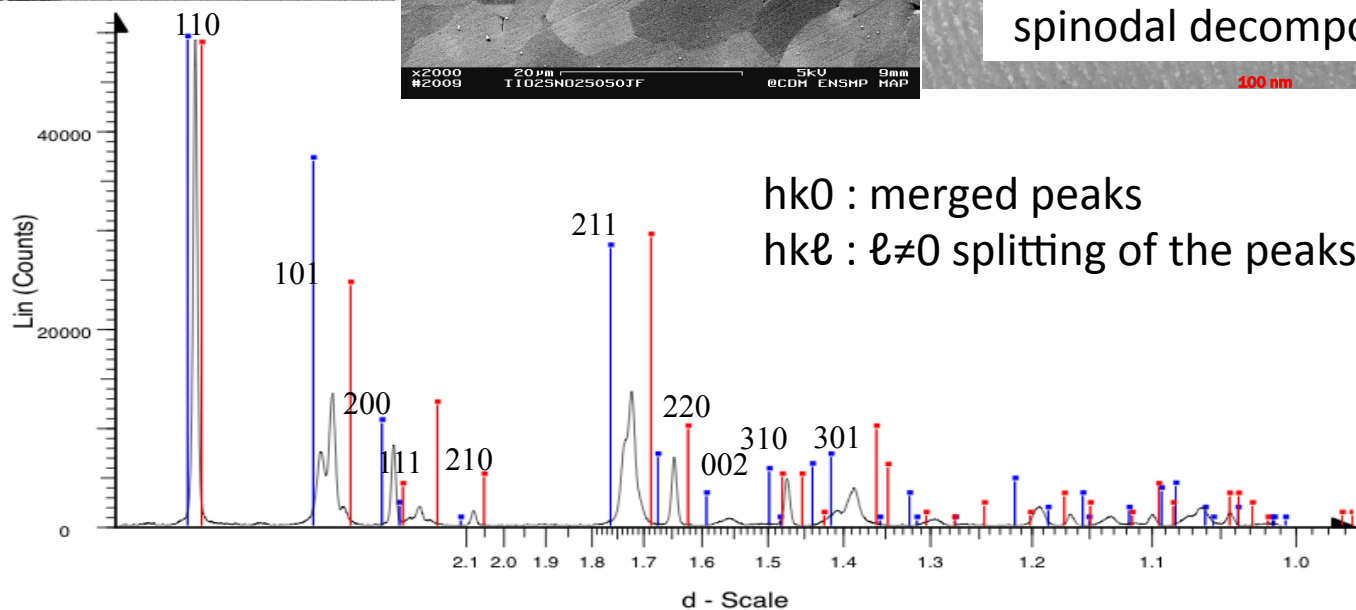


annealing 1500°C 4 hours

dense ceramics



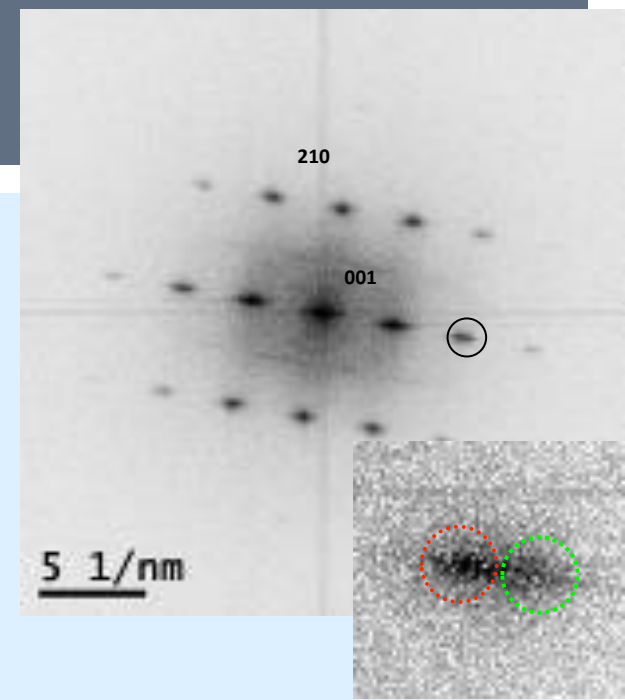
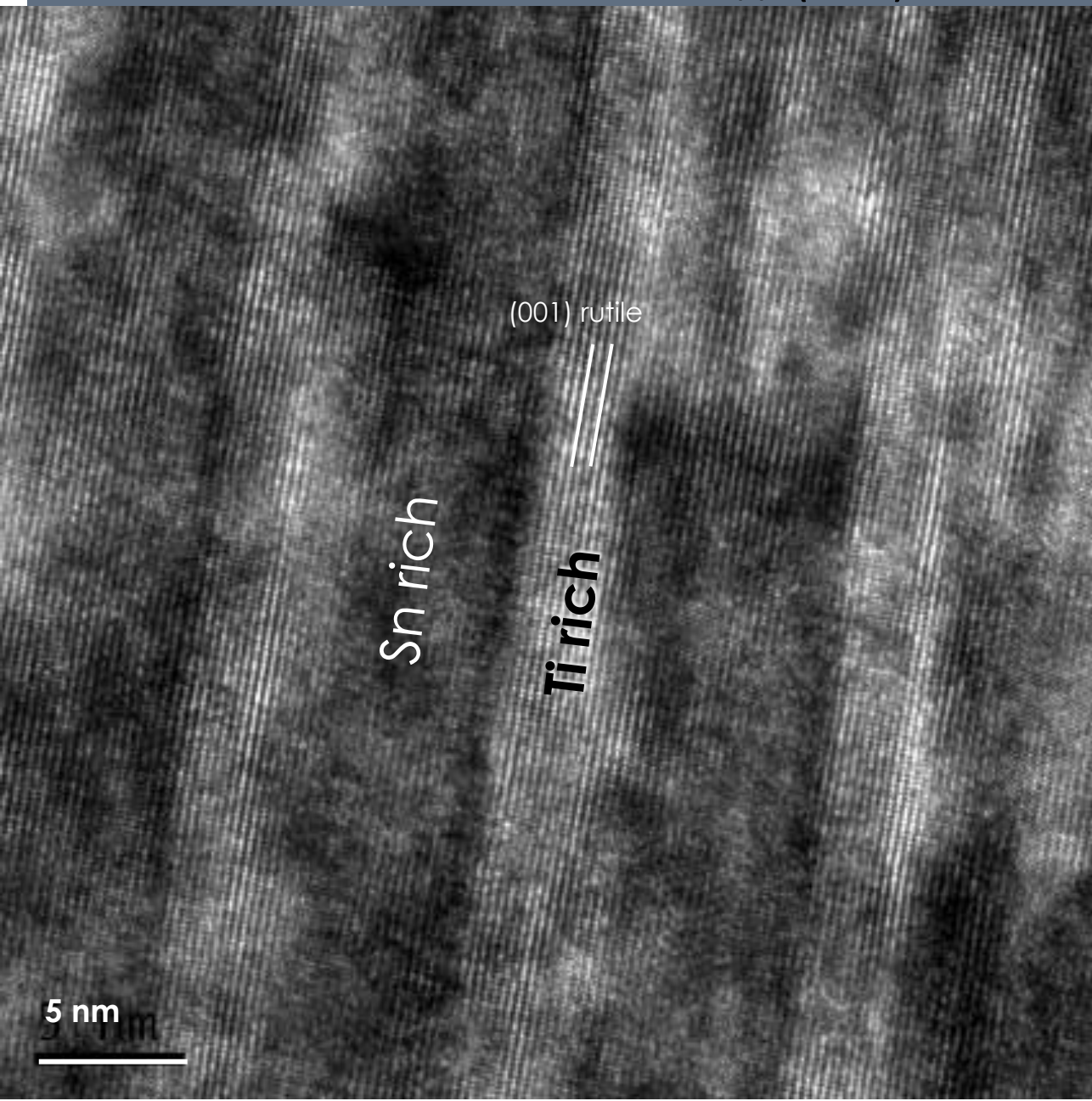
spinodal decomposition



TiO₂-SnO₂(290409) - File: TiO₂-SnO₂(290409)cor.raw - Type: 2Th/Th locked - Start: 14.995 ° -
 41-1445 (*) - Cassiterite, syn - SnO₂ - Y: 100.00 % - d x by: 1. - WL: 1.78897 - Tetragonal - a 4.
 21-1276 (*) - Rutile, syn - TiO₂ - Y: 98.77 % - d x by: 1. - WL: 1.78897 - Tetragonal - a 4.5933 -

Coherent Interfaces // (001)

$$a \ \& \ b_{\text{Sn rich}} = a \ \& \ b_{\text{Ti rich}}$$
$$c_{\text{Sn rich}} > c_{\text{Ti rich}}$$



CONCLUSIONS

Aqueous chemistry vs. Non aqueous chemistry:

Non aqueous chemistry: triumphes over aqueous chemistry for some materials as perovskites, smaller sizes, monodispersity and better crystallinity

Aqueous chemistry: close to industrial concern (costs, scale-up). Many opportunities