

Dehydrogenation of Mg-Fe-Ni-H based hydrogen storage tank under different operating temperatures and hydrogen flow rates

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Introduction:

From our previous work, $\text{Mg}_2\text{Fe}_{(1-x)}\text{Ni}_x\text{H}_6$ hydrides were synthesized by compositing Mg_2FeH_6 with Mg_2NiH_4 (2:1, 1:1, and 1:2 mole ratios). Ni substitution degree increased from $x=0.26$ to 0.47 with Mg_2NiH_4 contents during sample preparation and was constant at $x = 0.5$ upon cycling, resulting in reversible capacities in the range of 2.70-3.15 wt. % H_2 ($T=280^\circ\text{C}$). Compared with Mg_2FeH_6 , all $\text{Mg}_2\text{Fe}_{(1-x)}\text{Ni}_x\text{H}_6$ showed fast kinetics with the reduced onset desorption temperature ($\Delta T=$ up to 45°C). Since Mg_2FeH_6 - Mg_2NiH_4 composite with 1:1 mole ratio prepared in laboratory scale showed the highest reversible hydrogen contents upon 6 cycles (2.90-3.15 wt. % H_2), this sample is selected for upscaling to the small tank¹.

Objectives:

1. To upscale the Mg-Fe-Ni hydride from Lab scale (~3 g sample) to a small hydrogen storage tank (~60 g sample mass) with a packing volume of ~96 mL.
2. To study the effects of operating and hydrogen release rates on kinetics and de/rehydrogenation mechanisms of Mg-Fe-Ni-H based tank.

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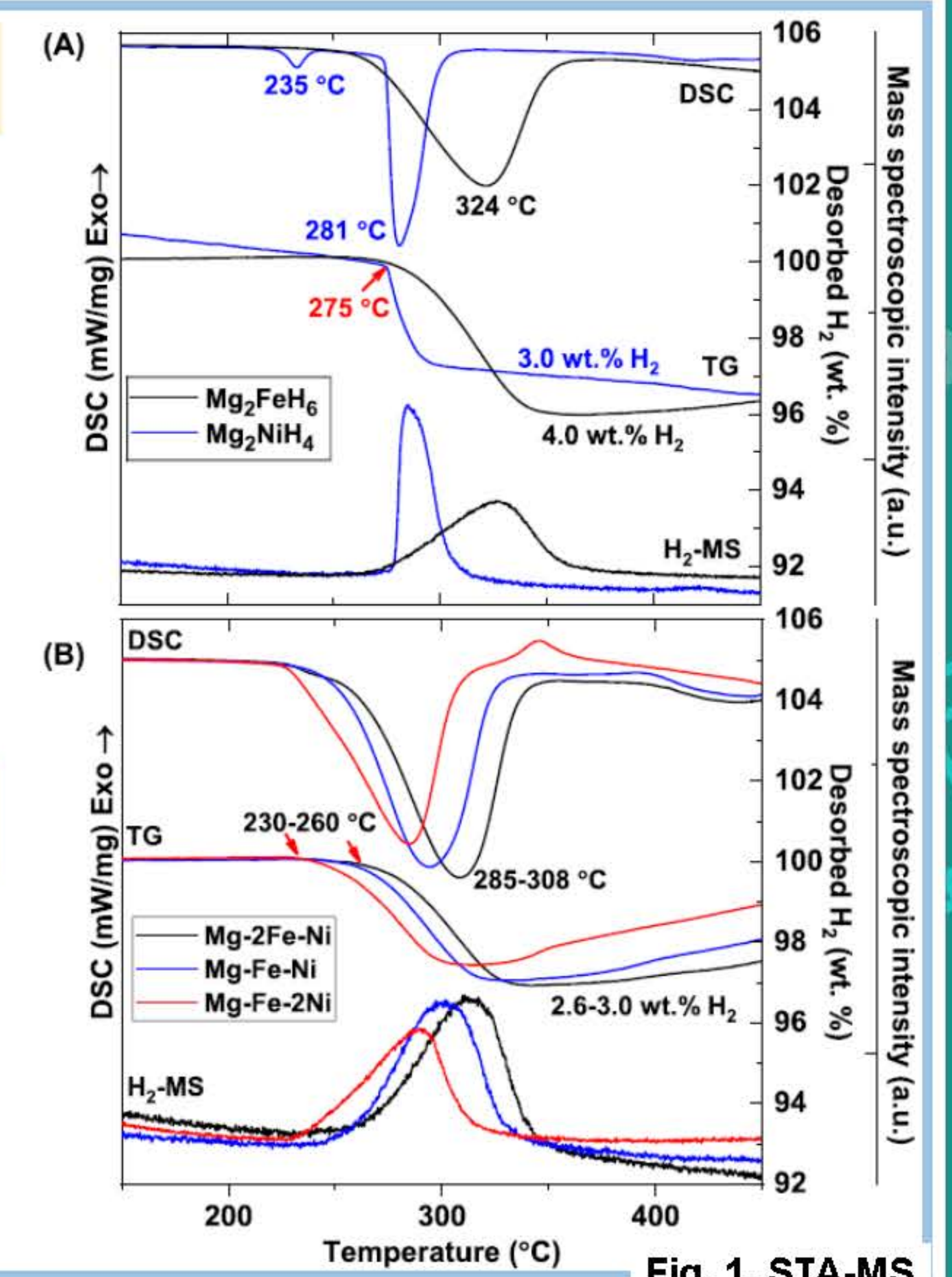


Fig. 1. STA-MS

Sample preparation and characterization

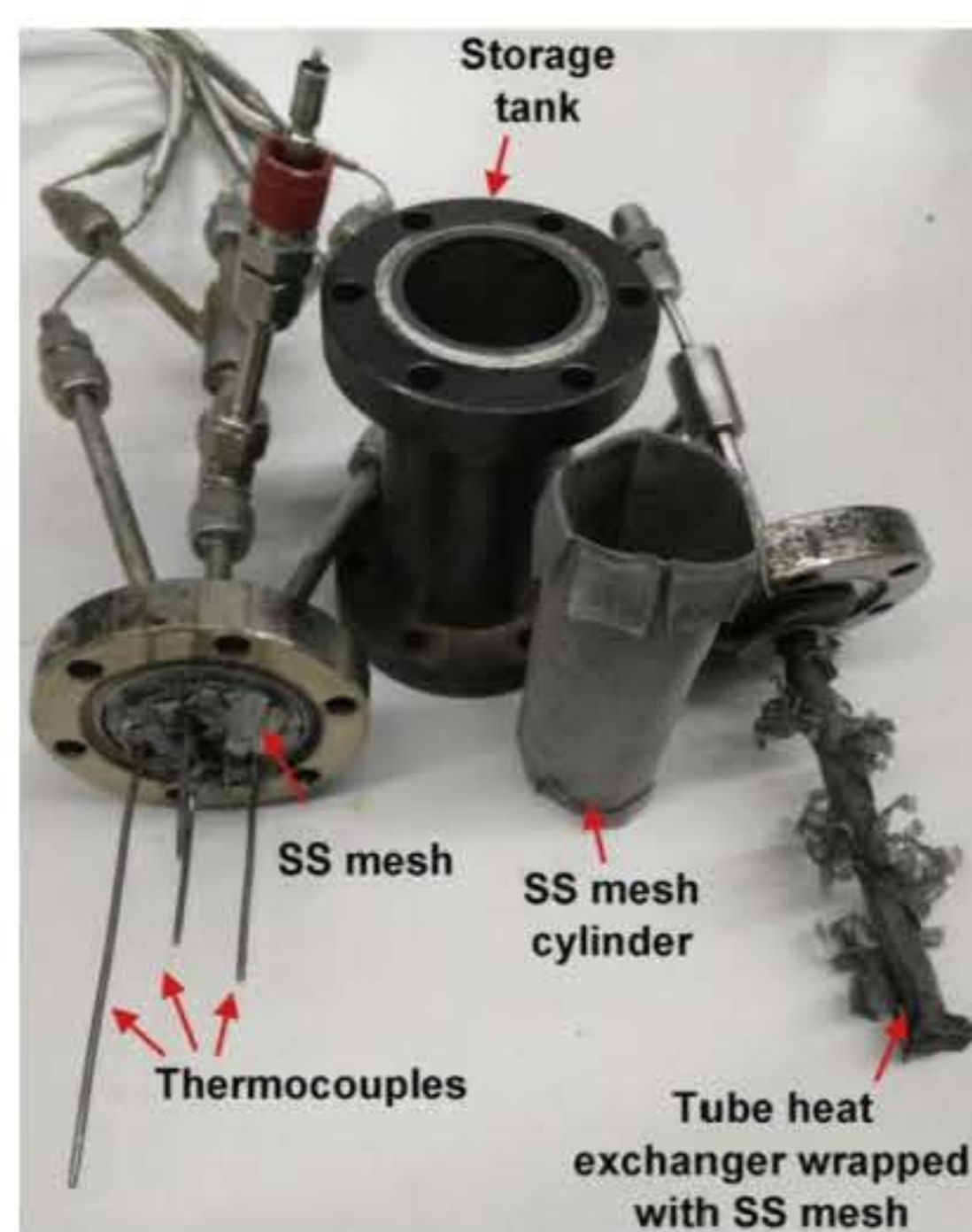


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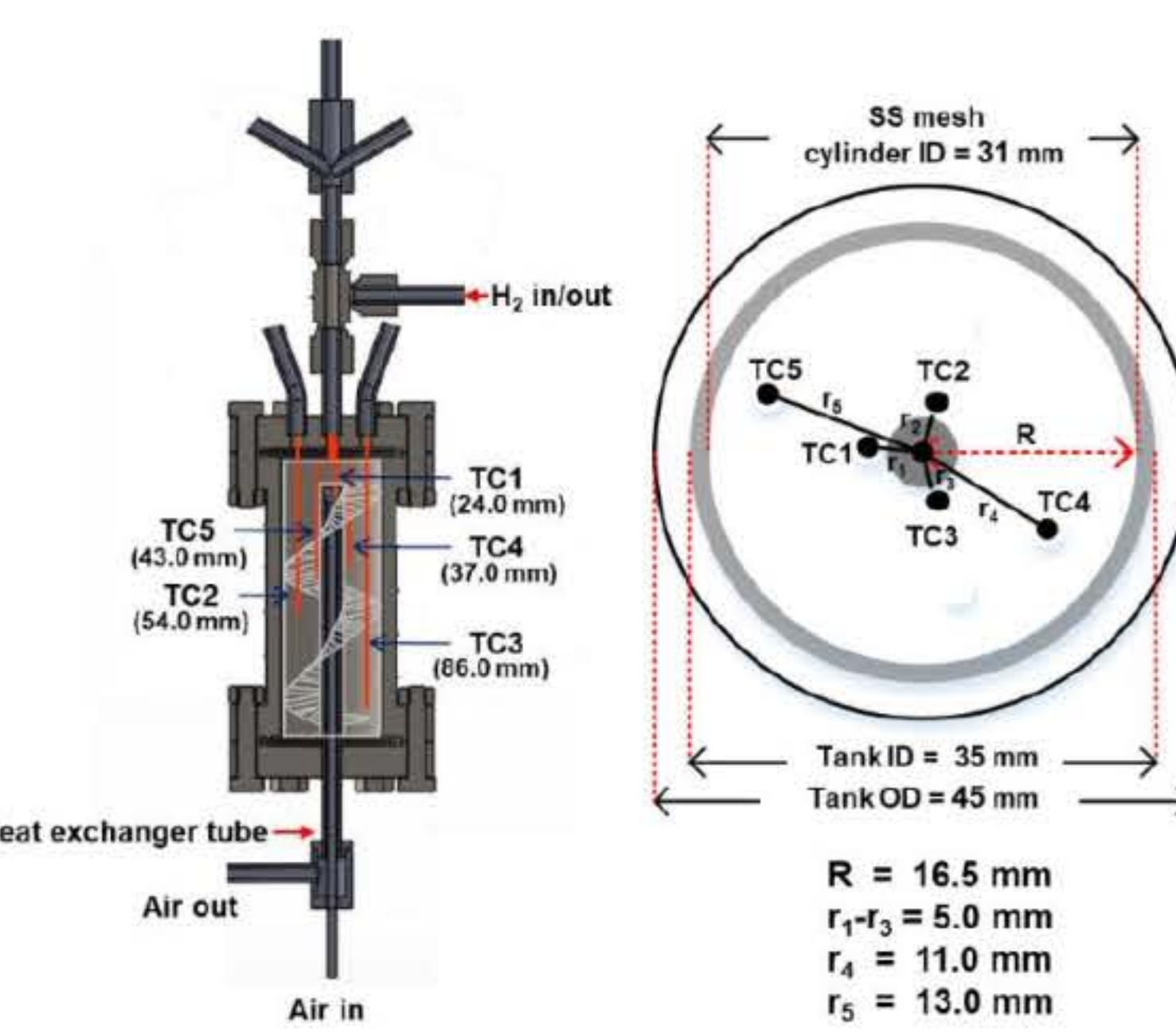


Kinetic measurement

Hydrogen storage tank with the packing volume of 96.2 mL



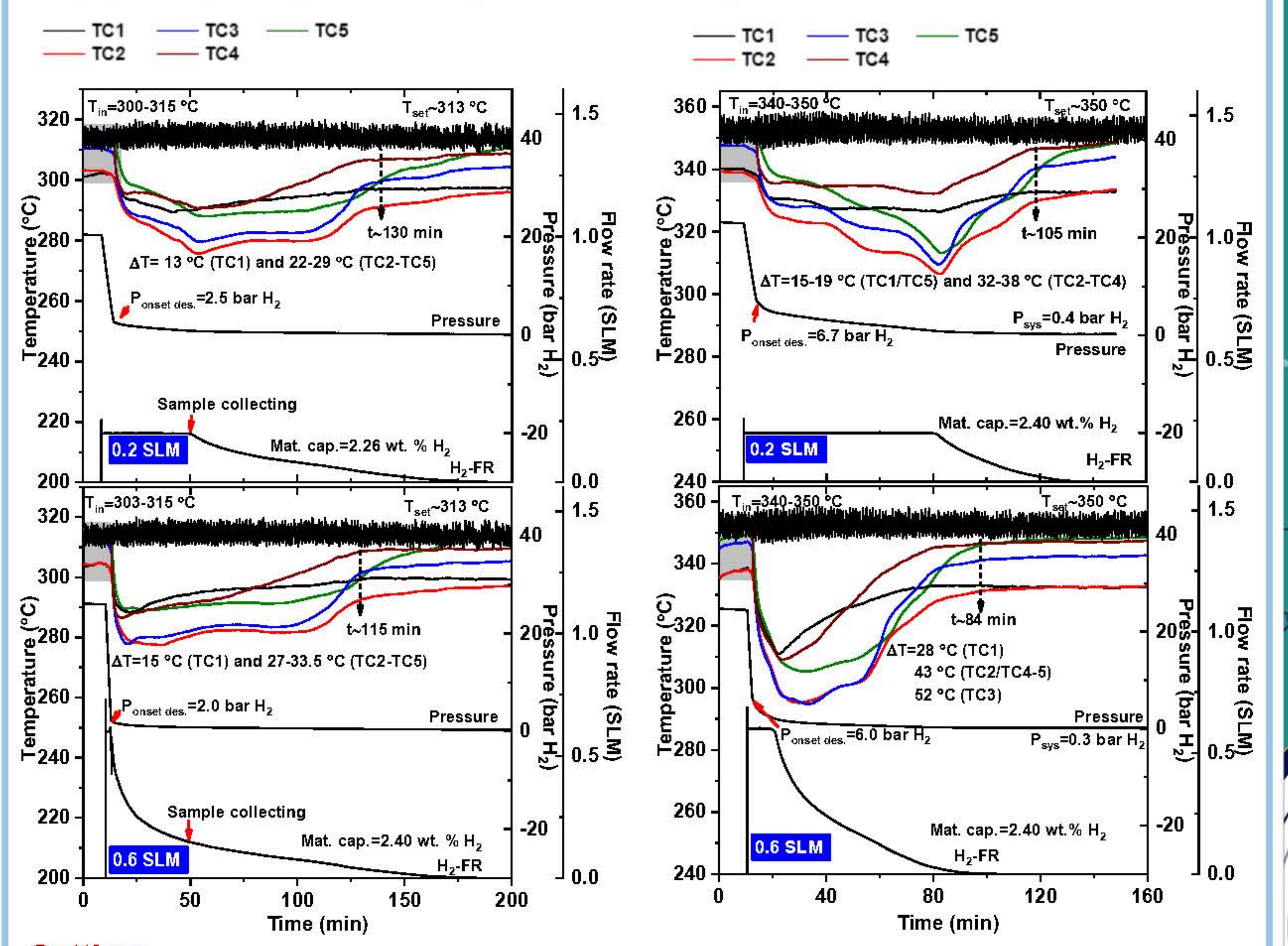
Tank components



TC positions

Effect of operating temperature and H_2 release rate

[1] Dehydrogenation profiles during kinetic measurement



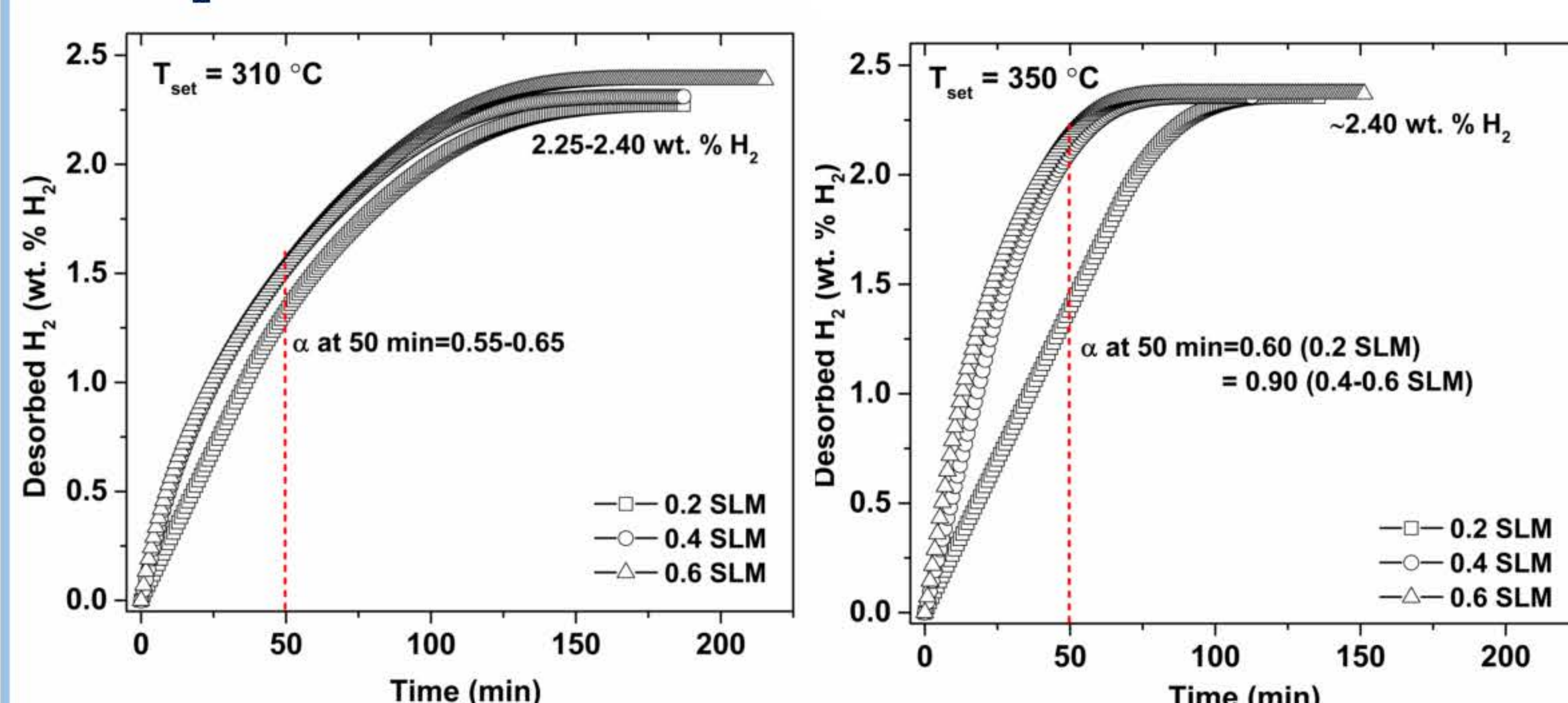
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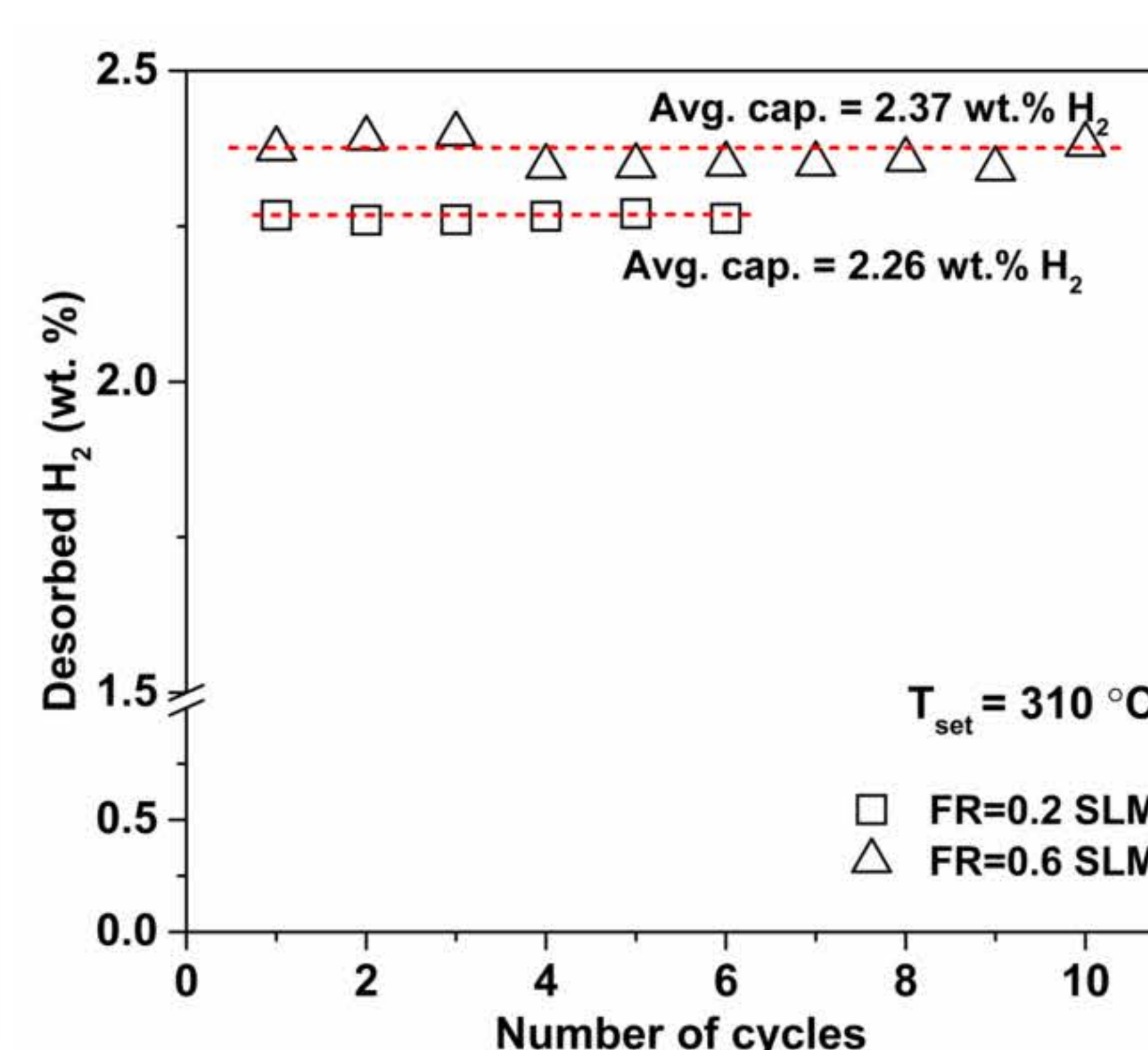
350 °C

Effect of operating temperature and H_2 release rate

[2] Dehydrogenation kinetics under different temperatures and H_2 flow rates



[3] Reversible hydrogen capacities



Conclusions

- ✓ At low operating temperatures, the H_2 -FR does not affect the reaction rate significantly.
- ✓ The experiment with high operating temperature, resulting in the enhanced decomposition rate requires fast H_2 -FR to reach the best dehydrogenation kinetics.

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A PROTOTYPE DEVELOPMENT OF AN ONLINE AIRBORNE PARTICULATE MONITORING STATION

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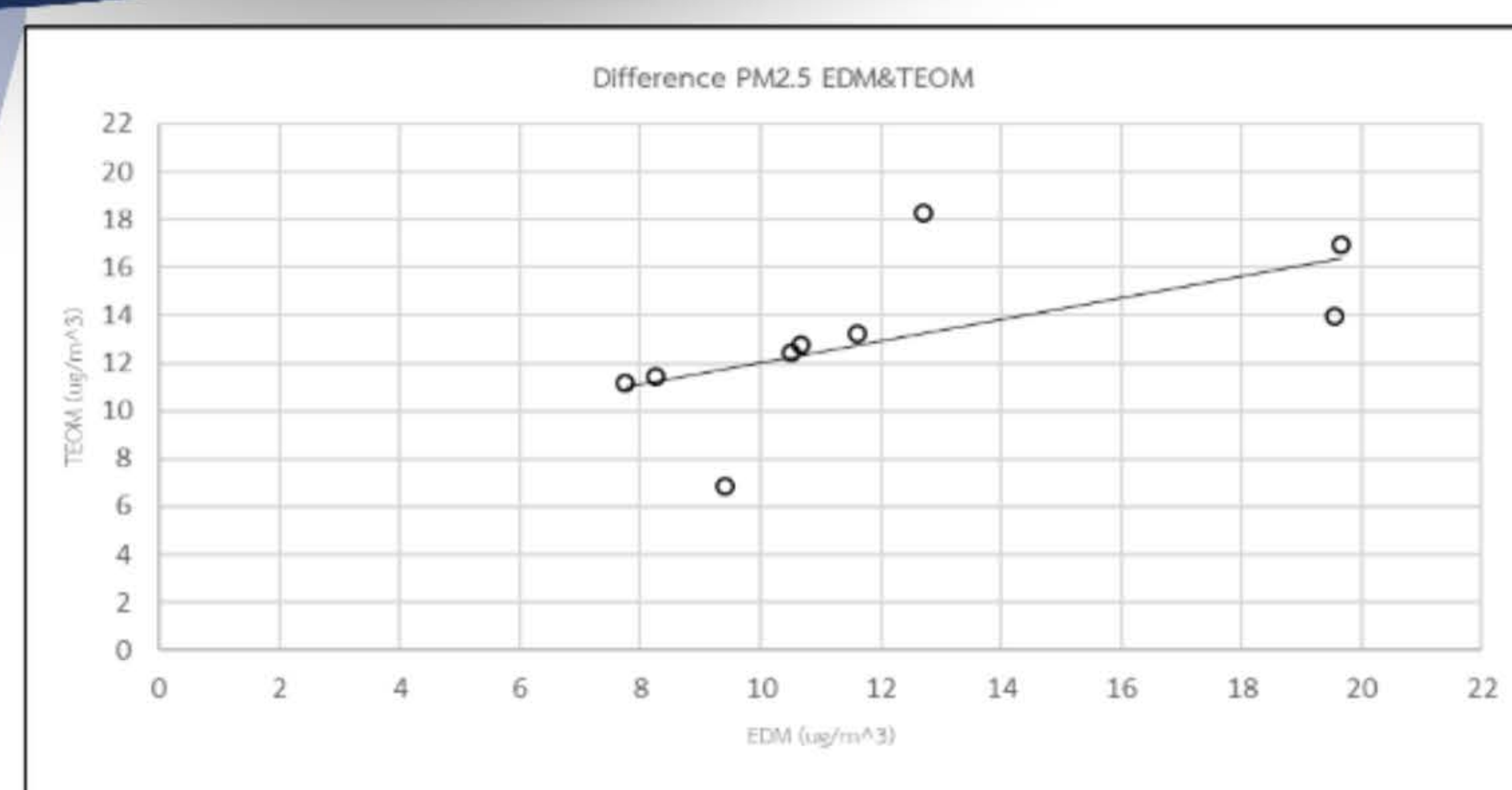
RATIONALE / PROBLEM STATEMENT / INTRODUCTION

The northern air pollution problem Dust or micro particles smaller than 2.5 (PM2.5) and 10 (PM10) in the air cause health effects. Increase the number of illnesses and deaths. Both in the general public and at-risk groups, including young children and the elderly People with chronic respiratory illnesses, heart disease, etc., therefore need to use accurate measuring and sampling tools to collect data continuously. To indicate the amount and source of this dust, which is important information to carry out control, prevention, alertness, and improvement. Environmental quality These dust measuring instruments that are used and sold in Thailand are currently being produced and imported entirely from foreign countries. Since there is no production of commercial dust measuring tools in Thailand, causing a lot of expenses Therefore, the development of a prototype of a low-cost online aerosol measurement station by using appropriate technology and materials 100% manufactured in assembly, installation, and construction from the country. The machine is designed to be convenient to move and durable. Suitable for field work



METHODS

- 1.Design and build a network of air quality measurement stations and fire haze alarms. That can be measured as follows: PM10, PM2.5
2. Install and test the field, measure, and collect prototype samples with machines that use the FRM (federal reference method) state correlation method in accordance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) by continuously collecting samples in the air for 24 hours. Bring the values that compare the measurement results. Analyze data by finding the relationship between the measurement results from the analyzer and the reference method meter using the Pearson correlation method.



RESULTS & DISCUSSION

Compared with automatic and semi-automatic tools that can report results immediately, the tape system meter, expert emission, and microbalance (Tapered Element Oscillating Microbalance) found that the prototype of the aerosol measurement station online is low-cost. Can detect and collect dust samples in the air, both PM10 and PM2.5 dust, quickly, with a processing time of up to 0.1 seconds.

CONCLUSION

Developing a prototype of a low-cost online aerial aerosol measurement station That uses the principle of measuring static electricity of particles through high-performance dust filters, able to quickly detect and collect dust samples in the air, both PM10 and PM2.5 dust, takes up to 0.1 seconds to process technology. And the right material to actually work is about three times cheaper but can work comparable to the tools currently used. With data for measuring PM2.5 and PM10, it can also be utilized in the calculation or forecasting model, forecasting the quantity and behavioral motion of near dust. Real-time in the future.

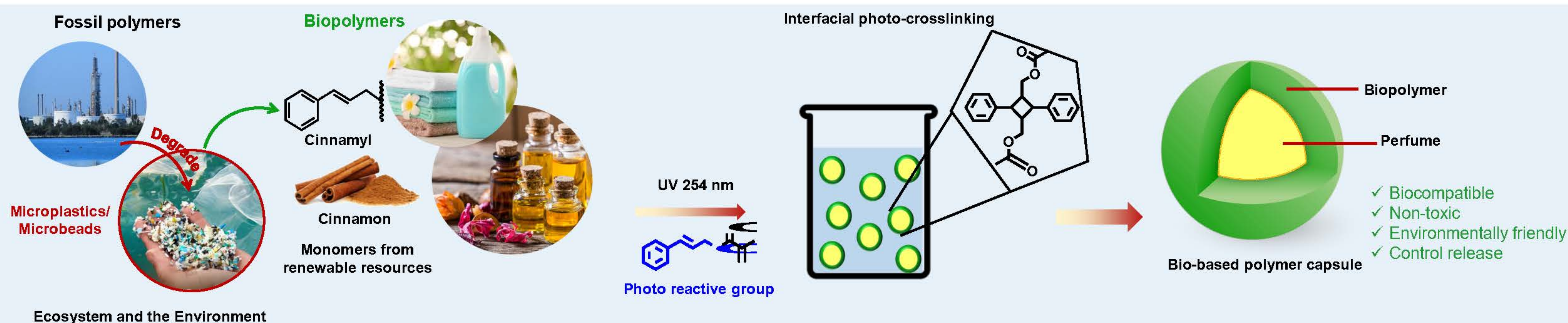
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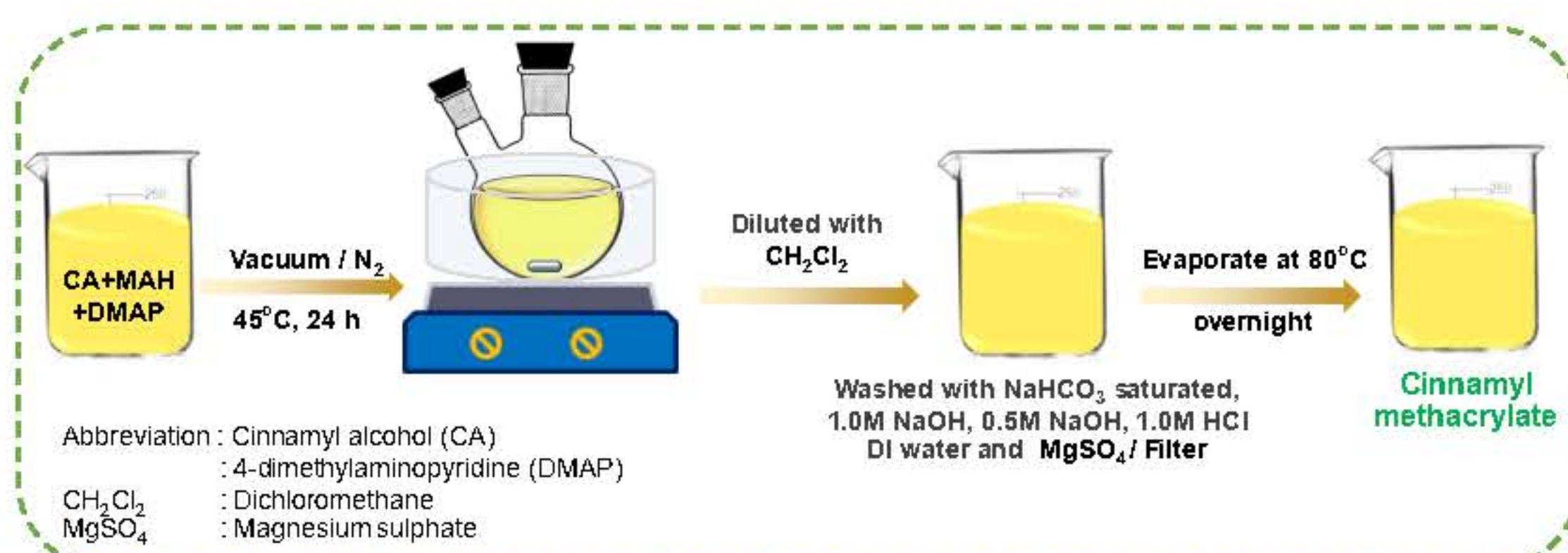
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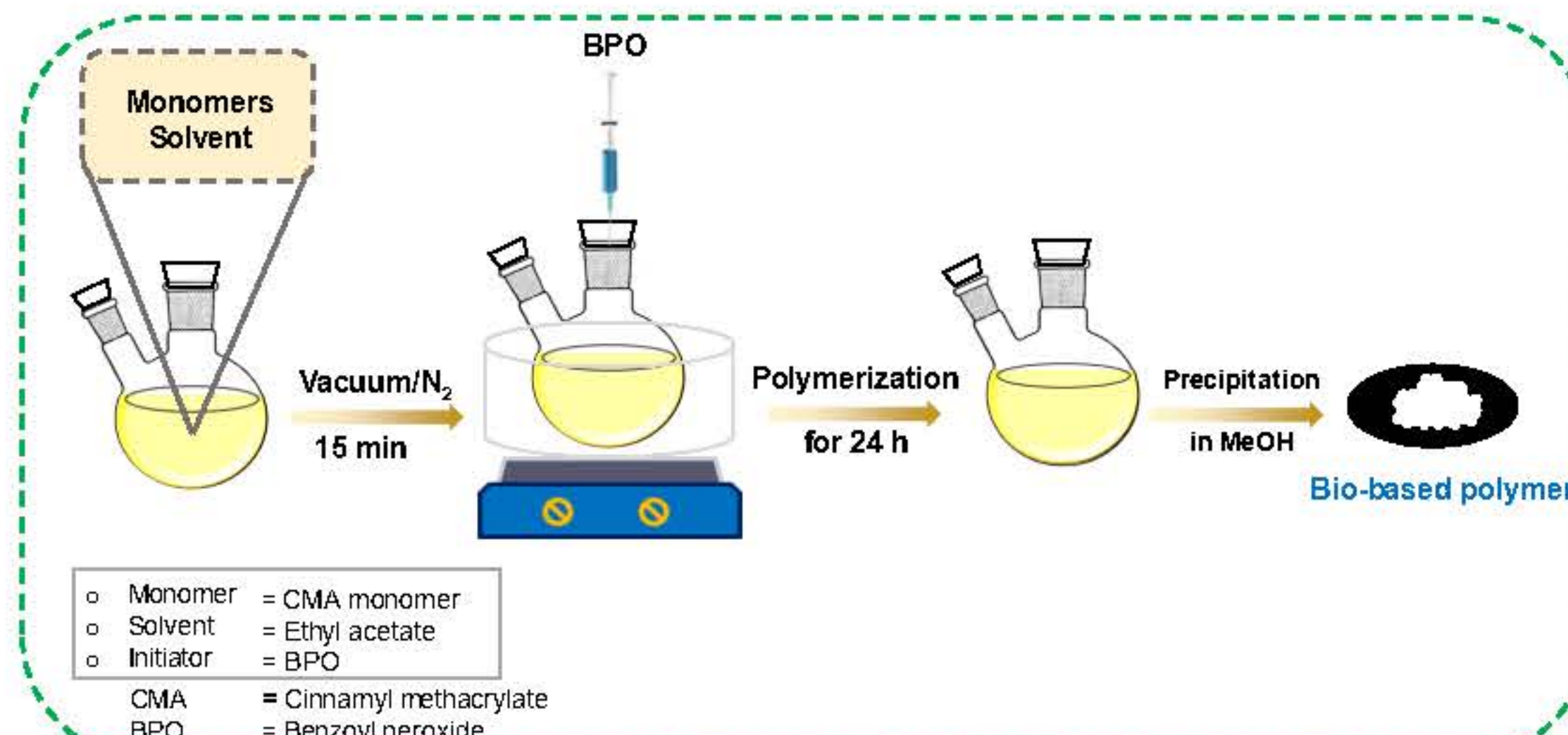


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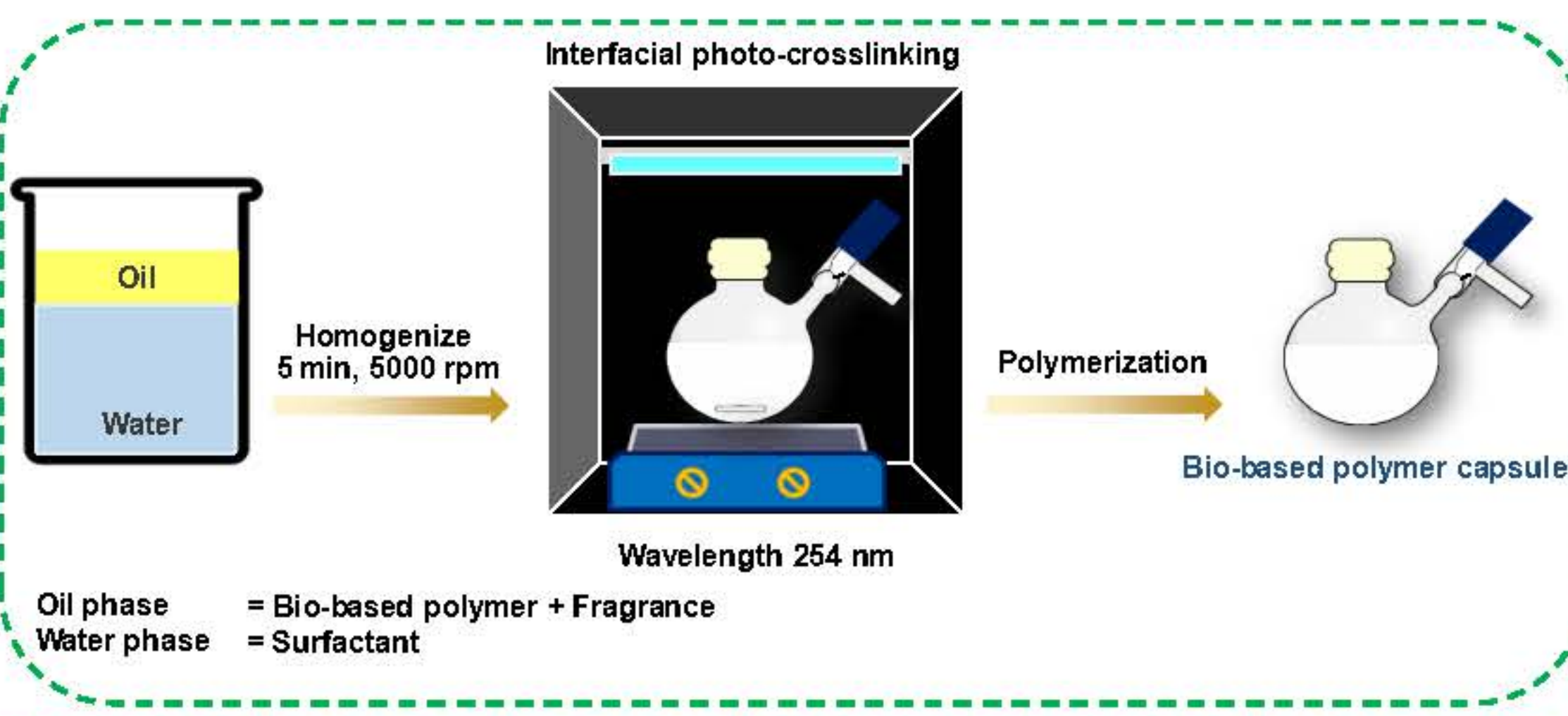
2.1 Preparation of the bio-based monomers



2.2 Synthesis of bio-based polymer



2.3 Preparation of bio-based polymer microcapsule

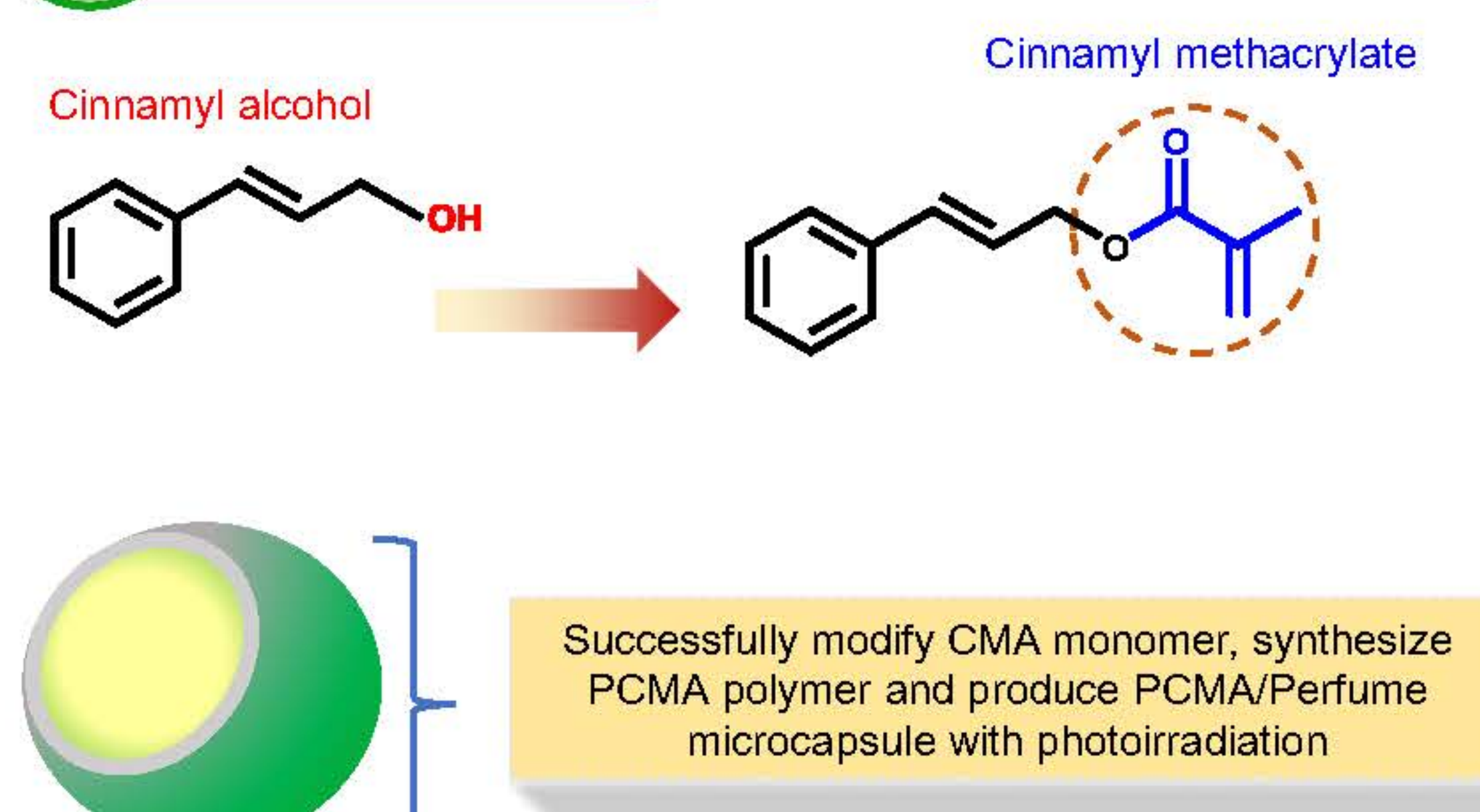


3.2 Preparation of bio-based polymer



Fig.3 Bio- based solution of PCMA (a) and after purification (b)

3 Conclusions



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3 Result and Discussion

3.1 Preparation of the bio-based monomers

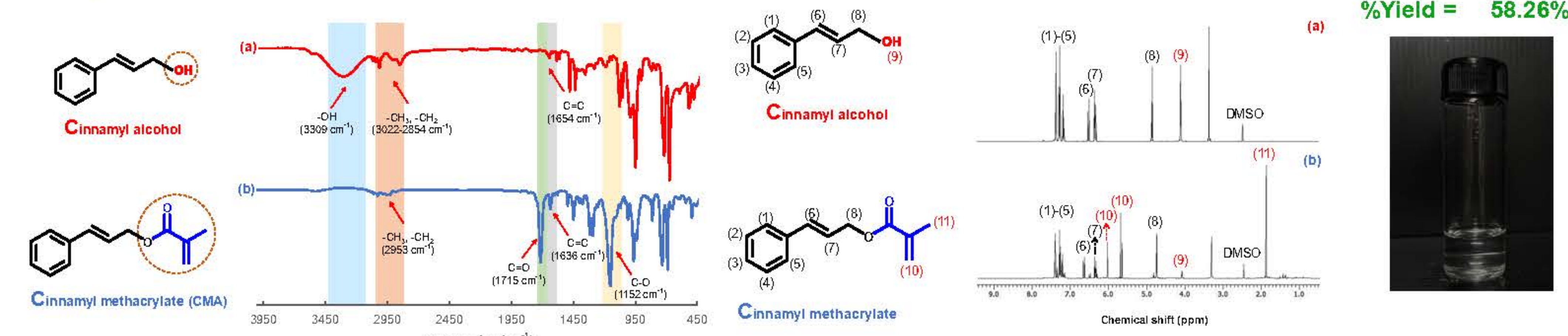


Fig. 3 FT-IR spectra of (a) cinnamyl alcohol and (b) CMA

Fig. 2 ¹H-NMR spectra of (a) cinnamyl alcohol and (b) CMA

3.3 Preparation of bio-based polymer microcapsule

Time of photoirradiation

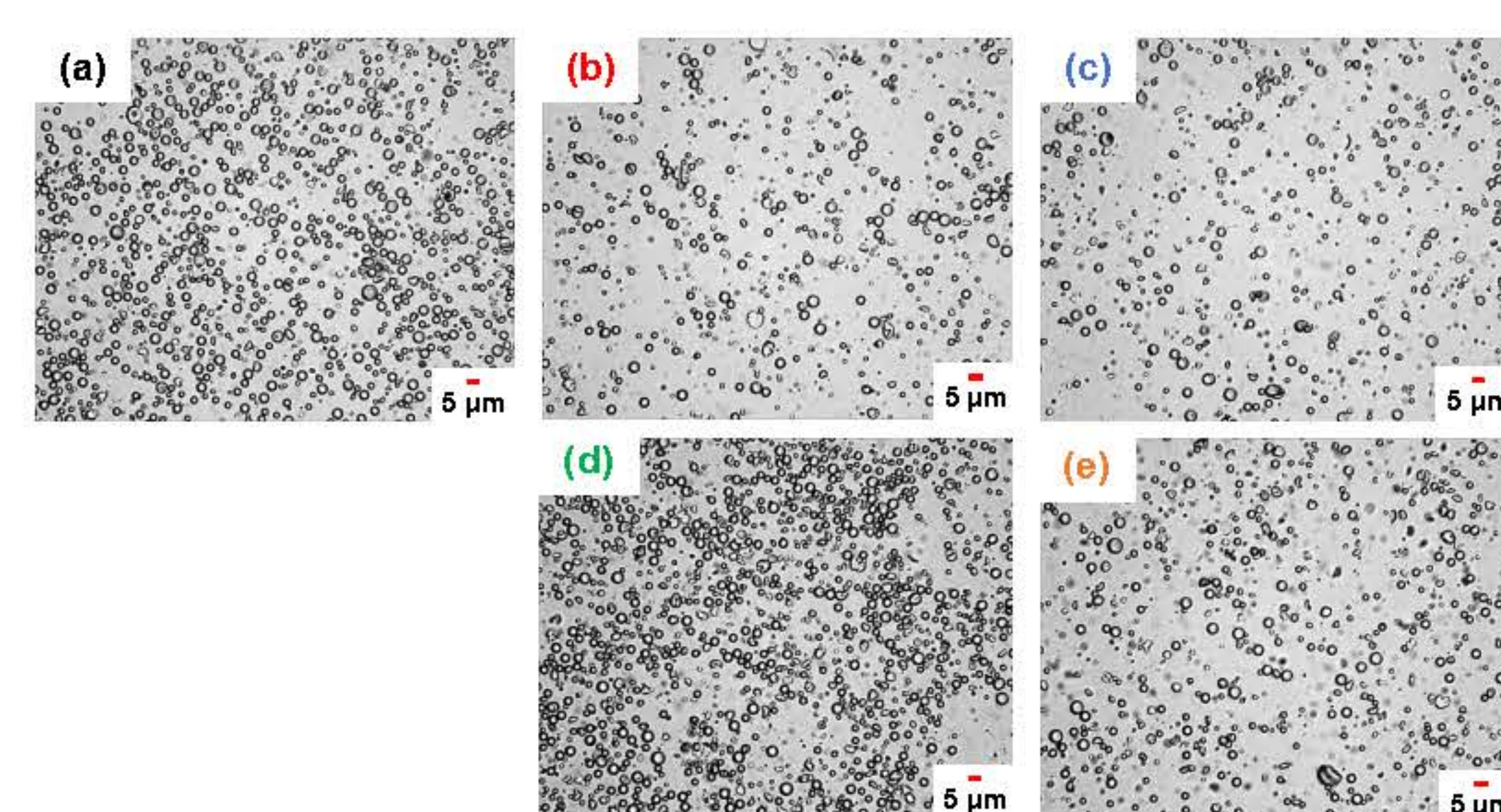


Fig. 4 Optical micrographs of PCMA Particle ; before (a) and after photo-induced crosslinking (b-e) at various times: 2h (b), 4h (c), 6h (d), and 8h (e)

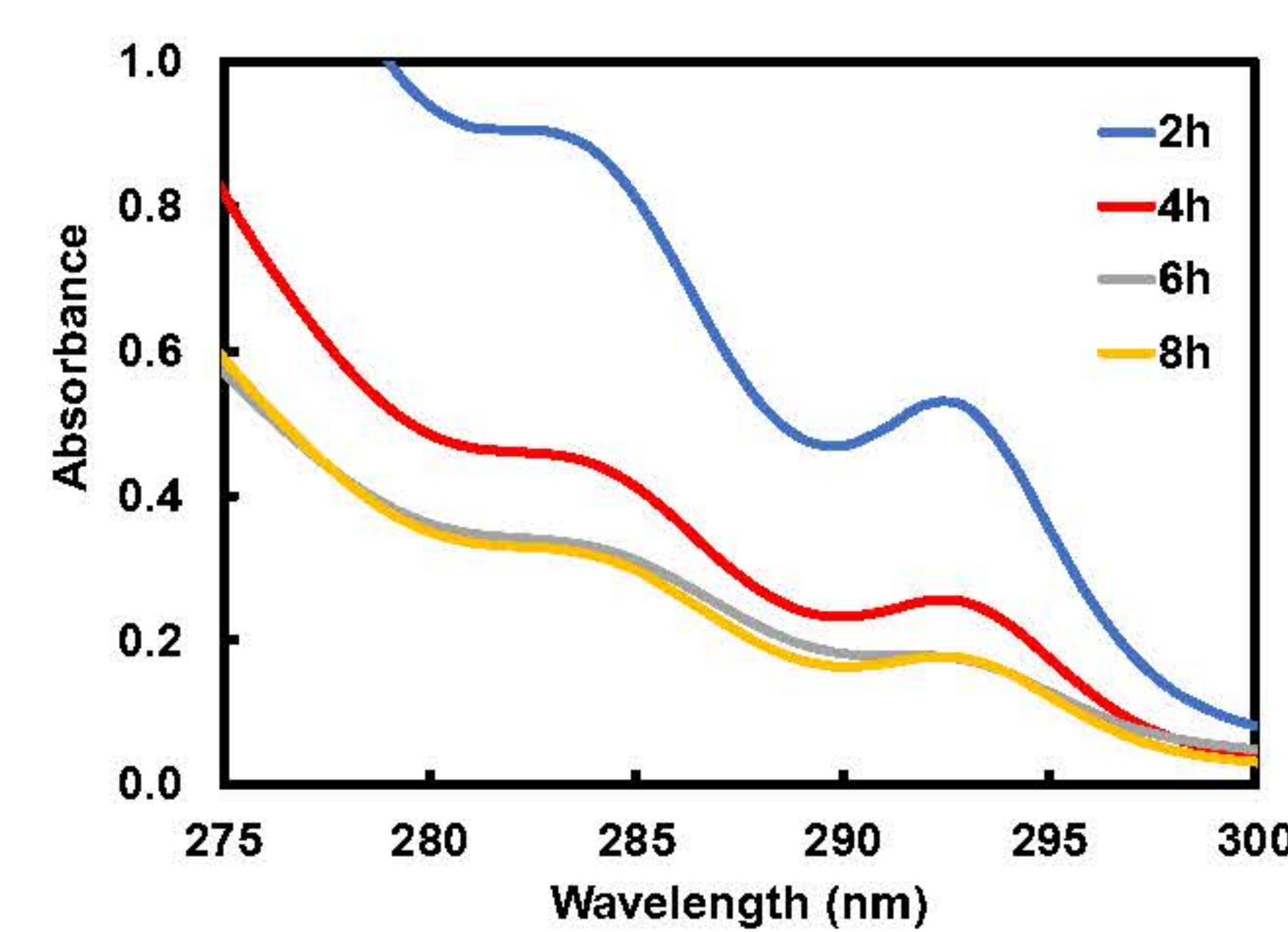


Fig. 5 UV visible spectra of poly (cinnamyl methacrylate) after photo-induced crosslinking at various times

Polymer: Perfume ratio

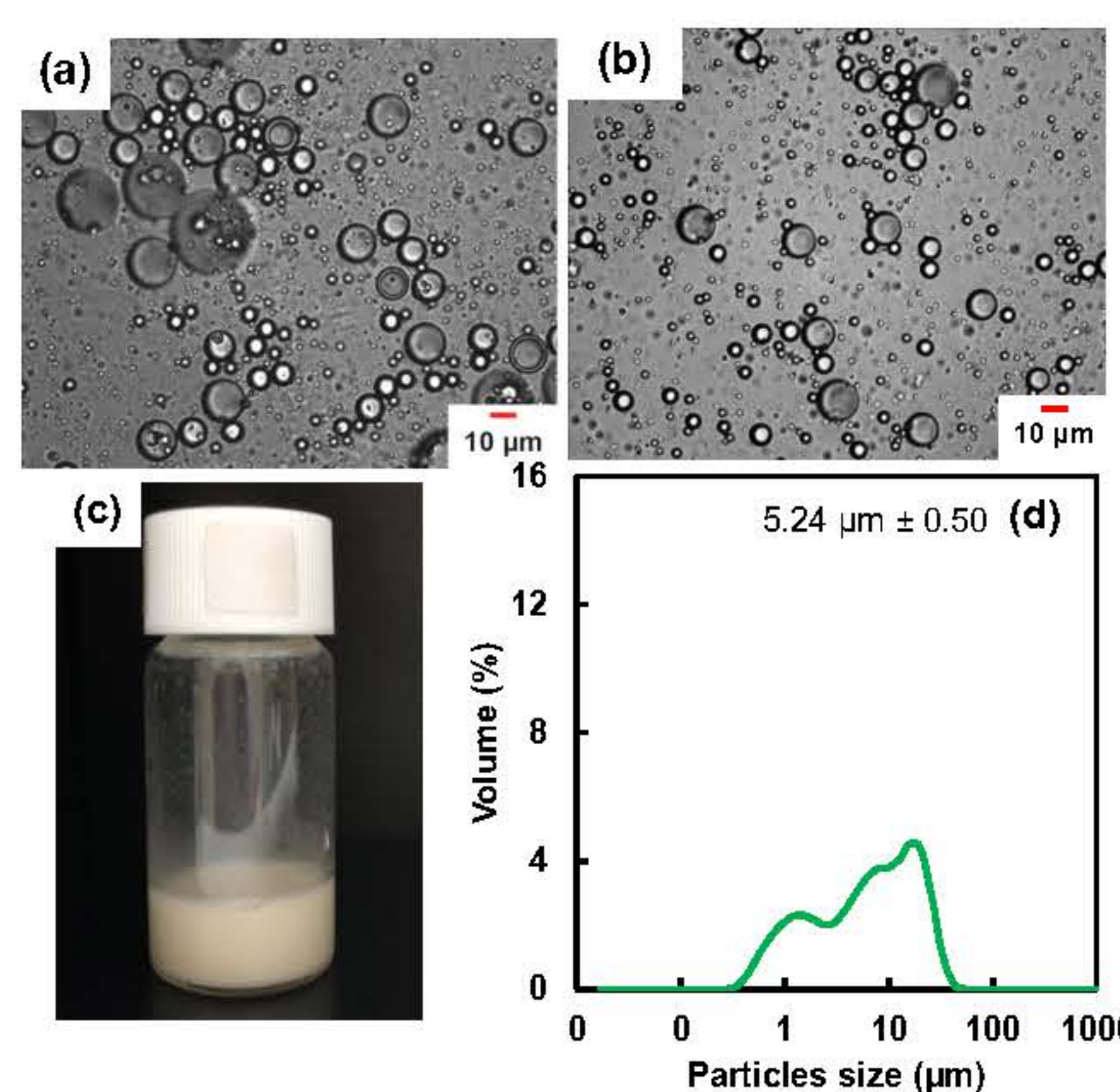


Fig. 6 Optical micrographs (a and b), suspension photo (c) and DLS histogram of polymer solution droplet (a) and microcapsule (b, c and d) after photo-induced crosslinking with 6h

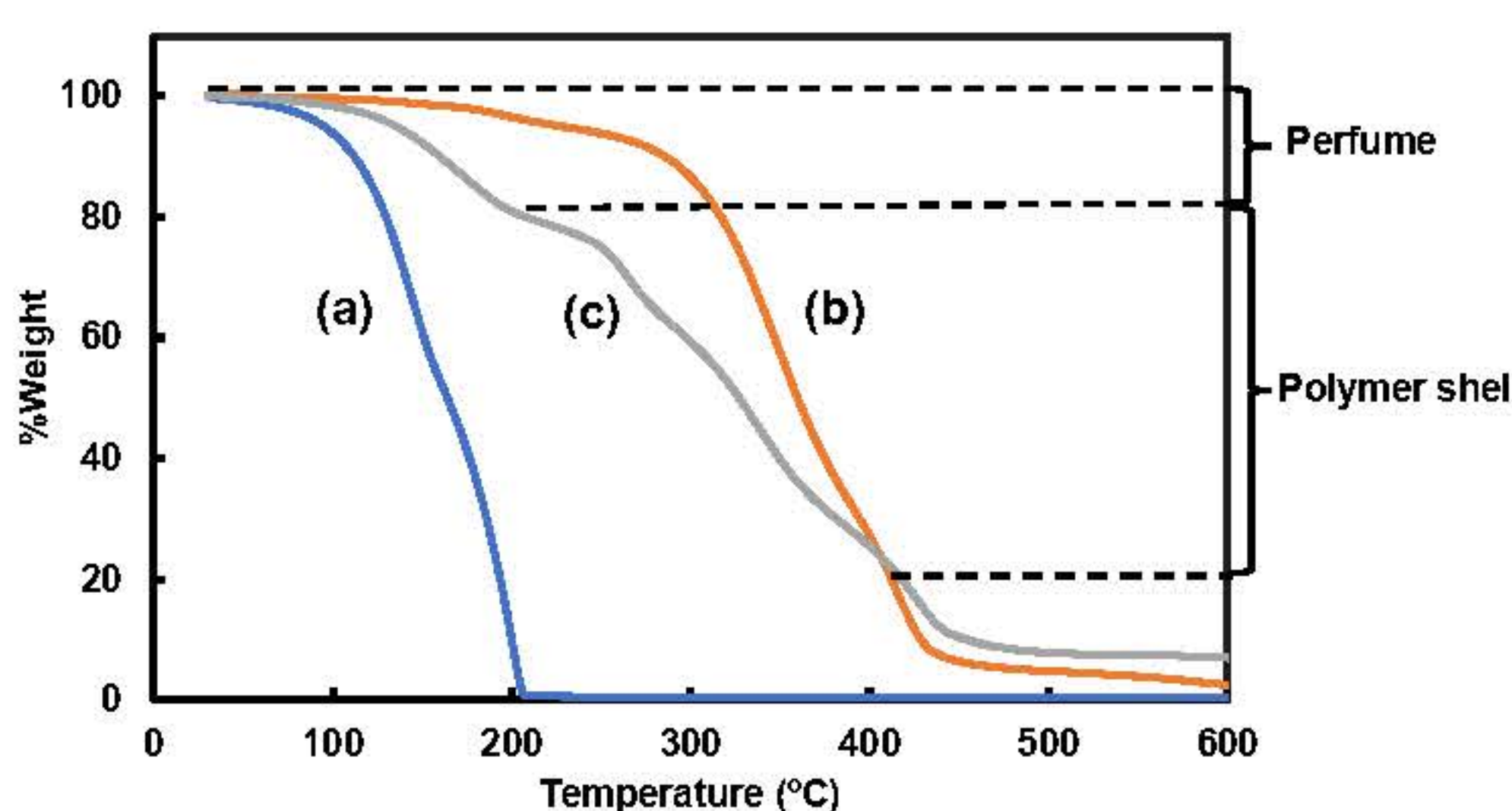


Fig. 7 TGA thermograms of perfume (a), PCMA (b) and PCMA/Perfume microcapsules after photo-induced crosslinking (c)

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Development of controlled-release bio-based polymer microcapsules encapsulating mosquito repellents

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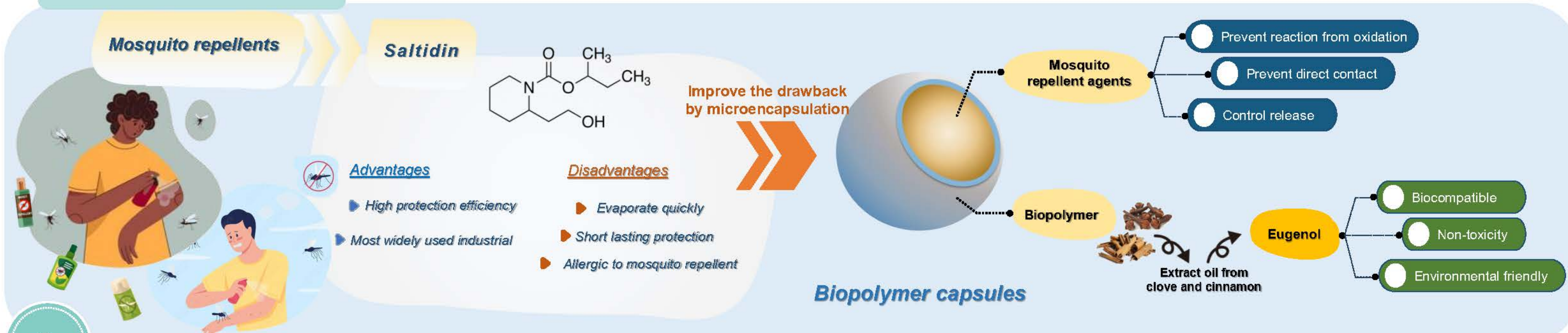
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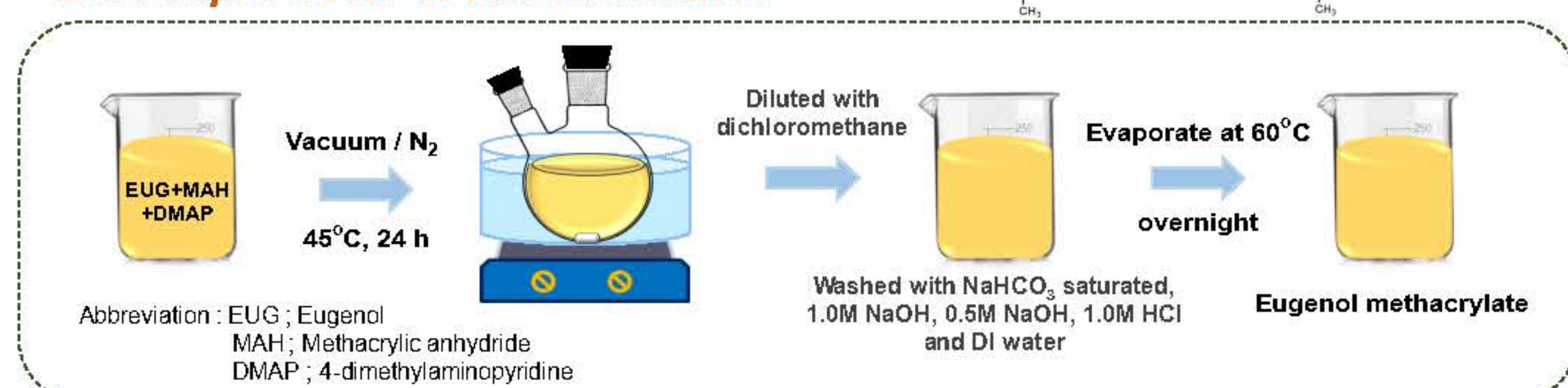
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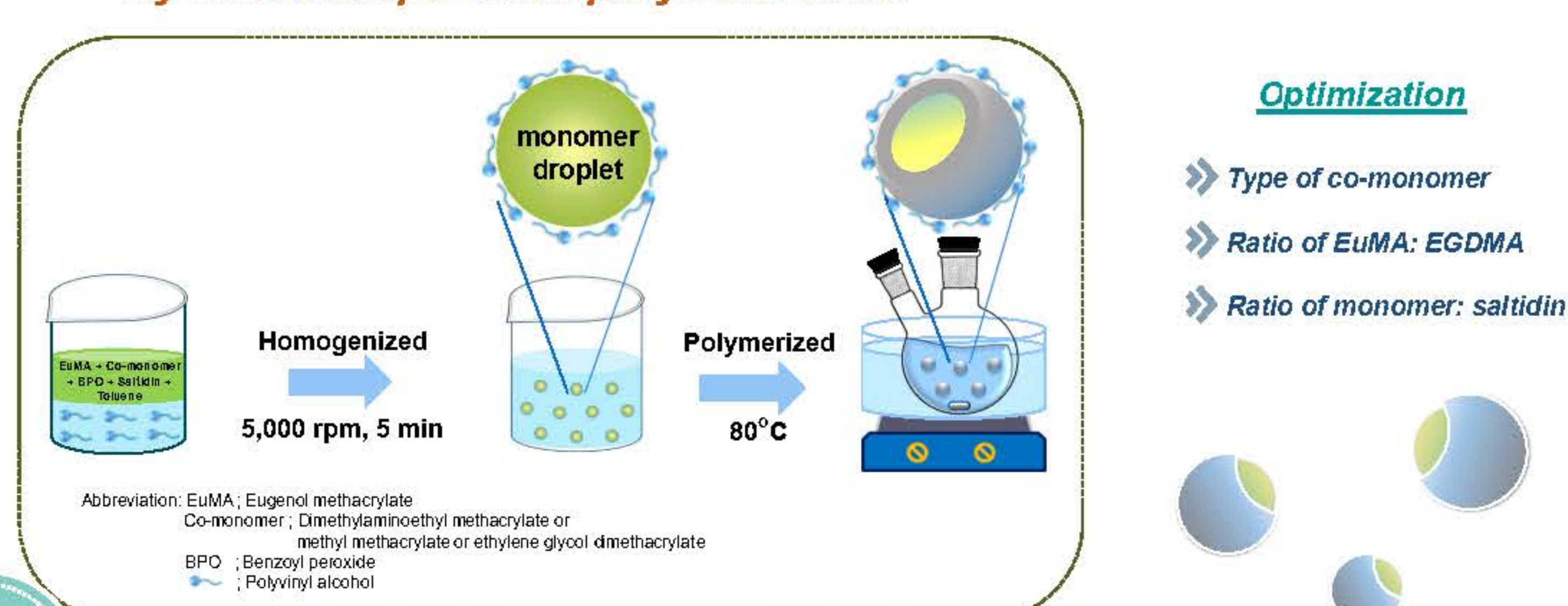
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Methods

2.1 Preparation of bio-monomer



2.2 Preparation of bio-based polymer microcapsules by microsuspension polymerization



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Results and Discussion

3.1 Preparation of bio-monomer

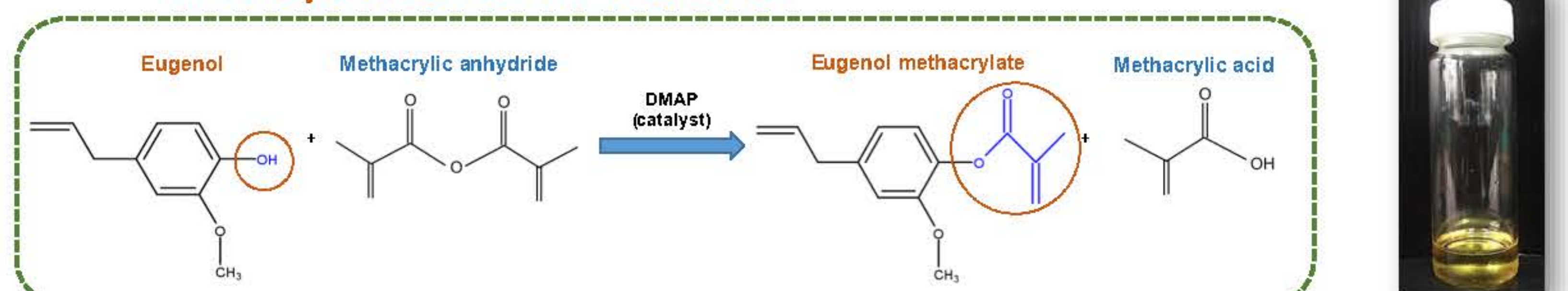


Fig. 1 Schematic diagram for the preparation of eugenol methacrylate by esterification

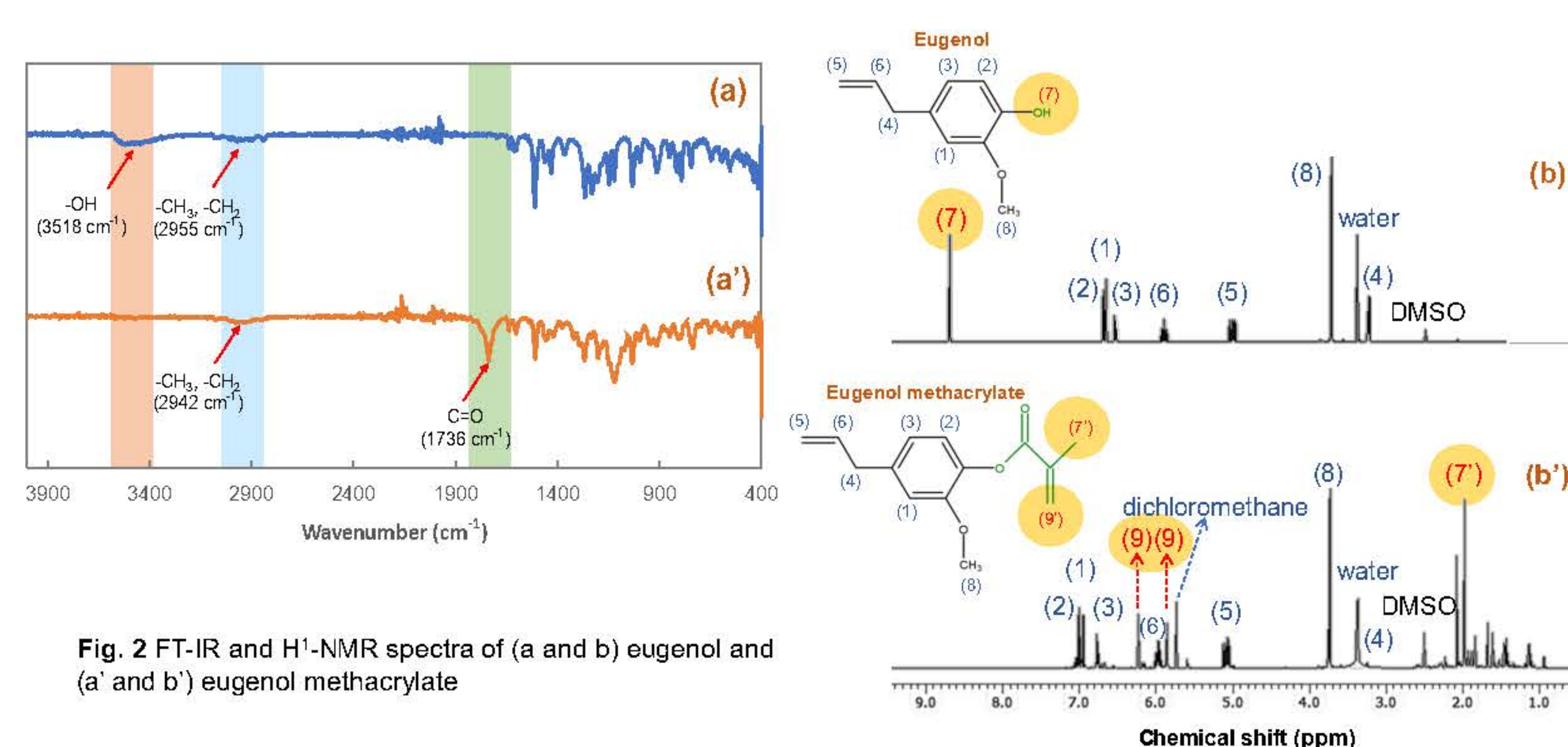


Fig. 2 FT-IR and ¹H-NMR spectra of (a and b) eugenol and (a' and b') eugenol methacrylate

3.2 Preparation of bio-based polymer microcapsules by microsuspension polymerization

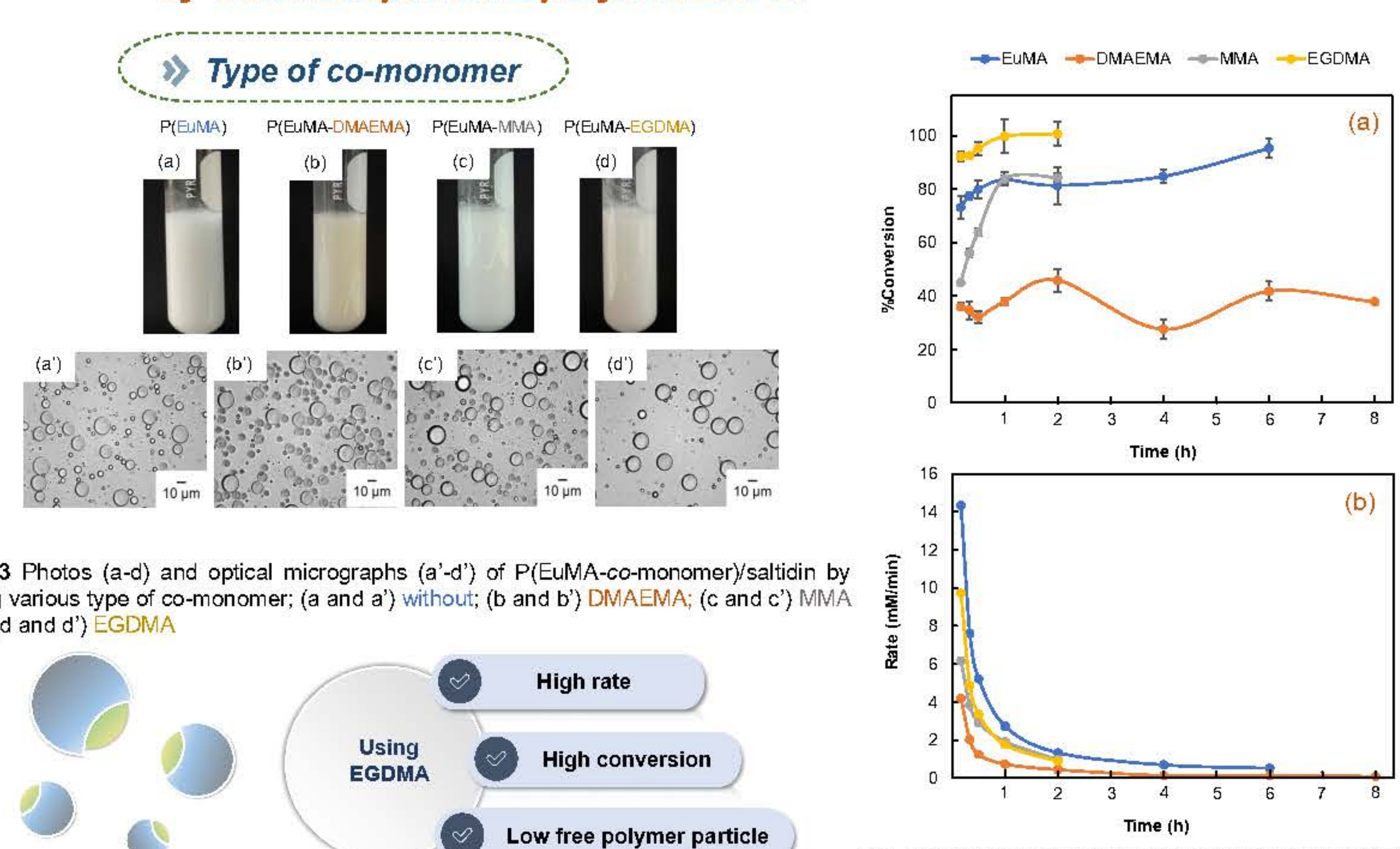


Fig. 4 Conversion time curve (a) and rate of polymerization (b)

Ratio of EuMA: EGDMA

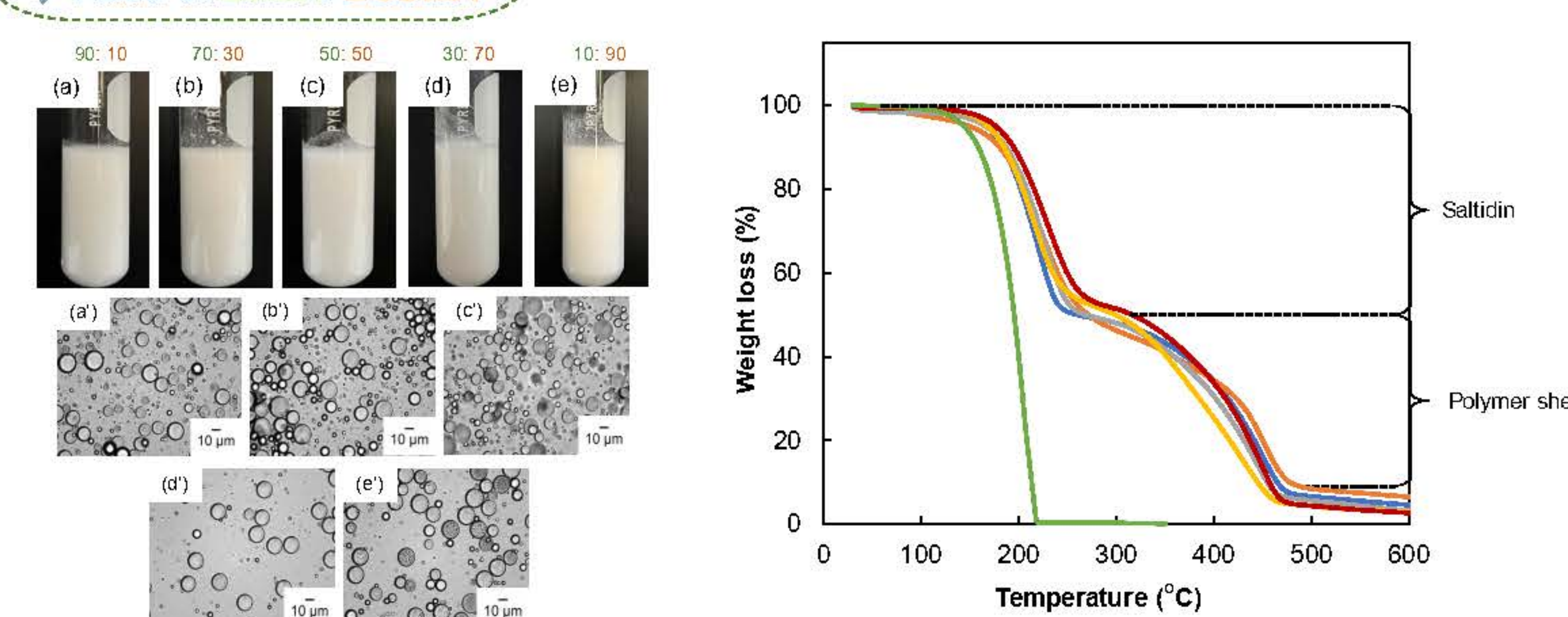


Fig. 5 Photos (a-e) optical micrographs (a'-e') and TGA thermograms of P(EuMA-co-EGDMA)/saltidin microcapsules

High loading

High encapsulation

| EuMA: EGDMA (wt%) | %Conversion (wt%) (±SD) | Loading (wt%) | | Encapsulation (wt%) |
|-------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------|---------------------|
| | | Experiment (±SD) | Calculation | |
| 90: 10 | 56.84 (±1.91) | 54.01 (±1.10) | 66.41 | 81.32 |
| 70: 30 | 51.49 (±5.41) | 50.95 (±0.40) | 70.56 | 72.22 |
| 50: 50 | 70.19 (±1.46) | 49.58 (±0.35) | 60.24 | 82.31 |
| 30: 70 | 100.66 (±4.55) | 46.18 (±0.89) | 52.22 | 88.44 |
| 10: 90 | 81.82 (±0.79) | 47.20 (±0.26) | 57.07 | 82.71 |

Ratio of monomer: saltidin

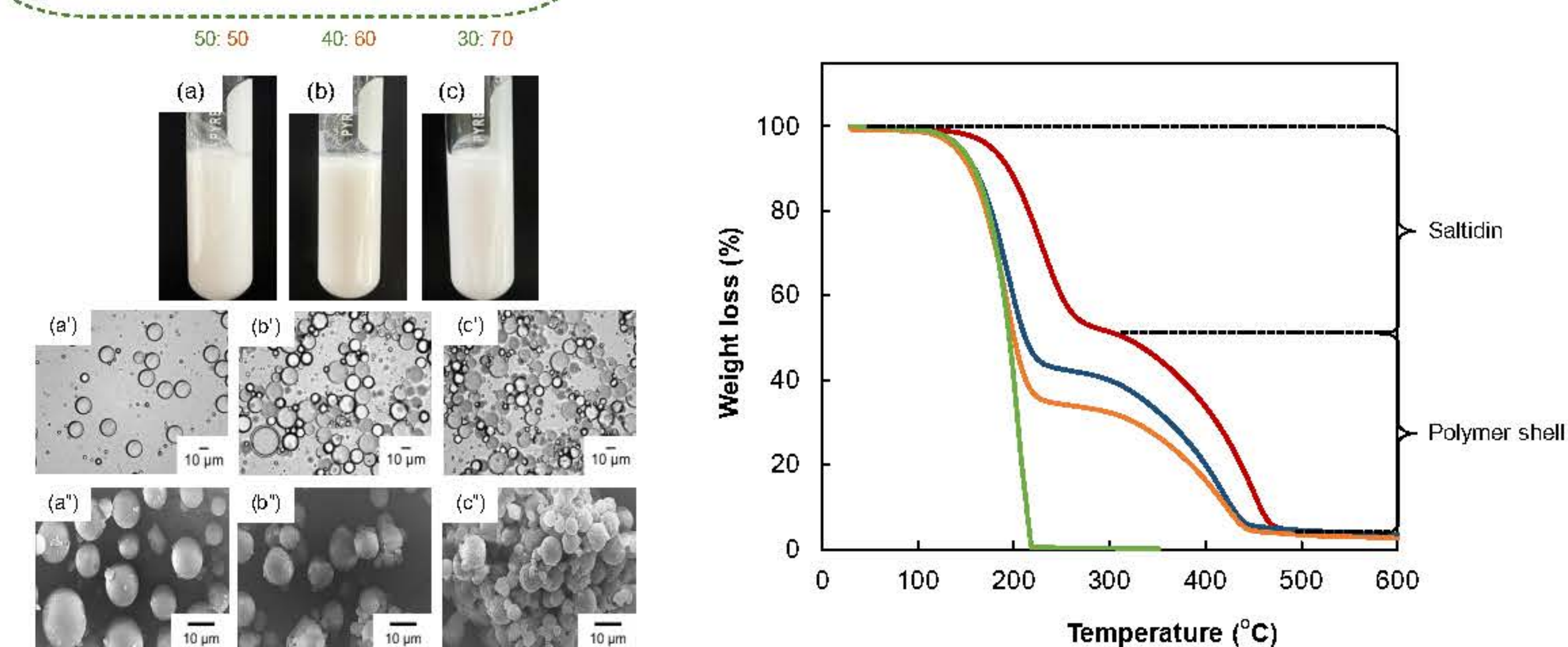


Fig. 6 Photos (a-c) optical micrographs (a'-c') SEM (a''-c'') and TGA thermograms of P(EuMA-co-EGDMA)/saltidin microcapsules

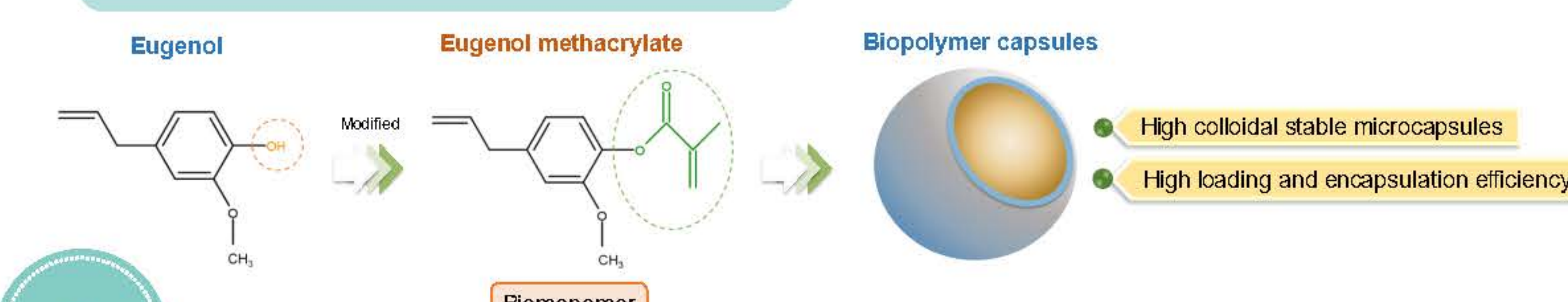
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| 40: 60 | 44.80 (±5.74) | 55.31 (±2.12) | 82.23 | 67.26 |
| 30: 70 | 20.24 (±11.65) | 64.64 (±0.32) | 114.07 | 56.67 |

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Synergistic Effects of Micronanobubbles and AC/Ag-TiO₂ Nanocomposites in Photocatalysis for Enhanced Dye Treatment

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INTRODUCTION

Thailand possesses a substantial quantity of agricultural waste materials, sparking the notion that these resources could be leveraged to add value and address environmental pollution issues. An avenue for extending the technological applications in this realm involves the creation of composite materials with enhanced characteristics. This can be achieved by utilizing agricultural waste materials to manufacture activated carbon (AC) due to its exceptional adsorption capabilities and high porosity. Additionally, applying the photocatalyst coating to the surface in the photocatalytic process can further elevate the potential of these composite materials, resulting in improved absorption and reactivity properties. This, in turn, can facilitate the decomposition of various pollutants and contaminants that afflict the environment. The uncontrolled discharge of contaminated effluents from industrial, agriculture and community activities poses a grave and imminent threat to the ecological integrity of natural water sources. Among the diverse array of photocatalysts, titanium dioxide (TiO₂) has emerged as a standout candidate, primarily owing to its remarkable ability to harness solar energy and initiate the generation of electron-hole pairs, which, in turn, facilitate the degradation of organic contaminants..

The research paper provides a comprehensive investigation into improving the efficiency of the photocatalytic process for the treatment of dyes, pesticides, and microorganisms in wastewater. The main emphasis of the study is the development of a novel Ag-TiO₂ photocatalyst using the sol-gel method, followed by its application as a coating on AC, creating a composite material termed AC/Ag-TiO₂. This novel catalyst is expected to exhibit exceptional efficiency in the removal of challenging compound dyes, pesticides, and microorganisms from wastewater, thus mitigating their adverse impact on natural water sources. To further optimize the photocatalytic system, the research delves into the incorporation of micro-nanobubbles (MNBs), which are minute gas bubbles boasting an extensive interfacial area and extended lifetime. These MNBs serve as efficient carriers of reactive species to the catalyst surface, leading to the acceleration of the photocatalytic reaction rate, resulting in faster dyes and pesticides degradation and heightened photocatalytic efficiency. Additionally, the presence of MNBs allows for effective separation of the photocatalyst from the treated water phase, minimizing the risk of potential micro-pollution residues and the loss of photocatalyst during the wastewater treatment process. The study aspires to establish a sustainable and eco-friendly approach to wastewater treatment by synergistically incorporating innovative catalyst preparation techniques and harnessing micro-nanobubbles to enhance the photocatalytic process. The anticipated outcomes hold the potential to make significant contributions toward a cleaner and more environmentally responsible future. Photocatalysis is poised to play a pivotal role in effectively addressing the challenges posed by compound dyes, pesticides, and other recalcitrant pollutants in wastewater, ultimately promoting environmental preservation and sustainability. Through this groundbreaking research, the scientific community can pave the way for transformative advances in wastewater treatment technology, making substantial progress toward a cleaner, healthier, and more environmentally conscious world.

METHODS

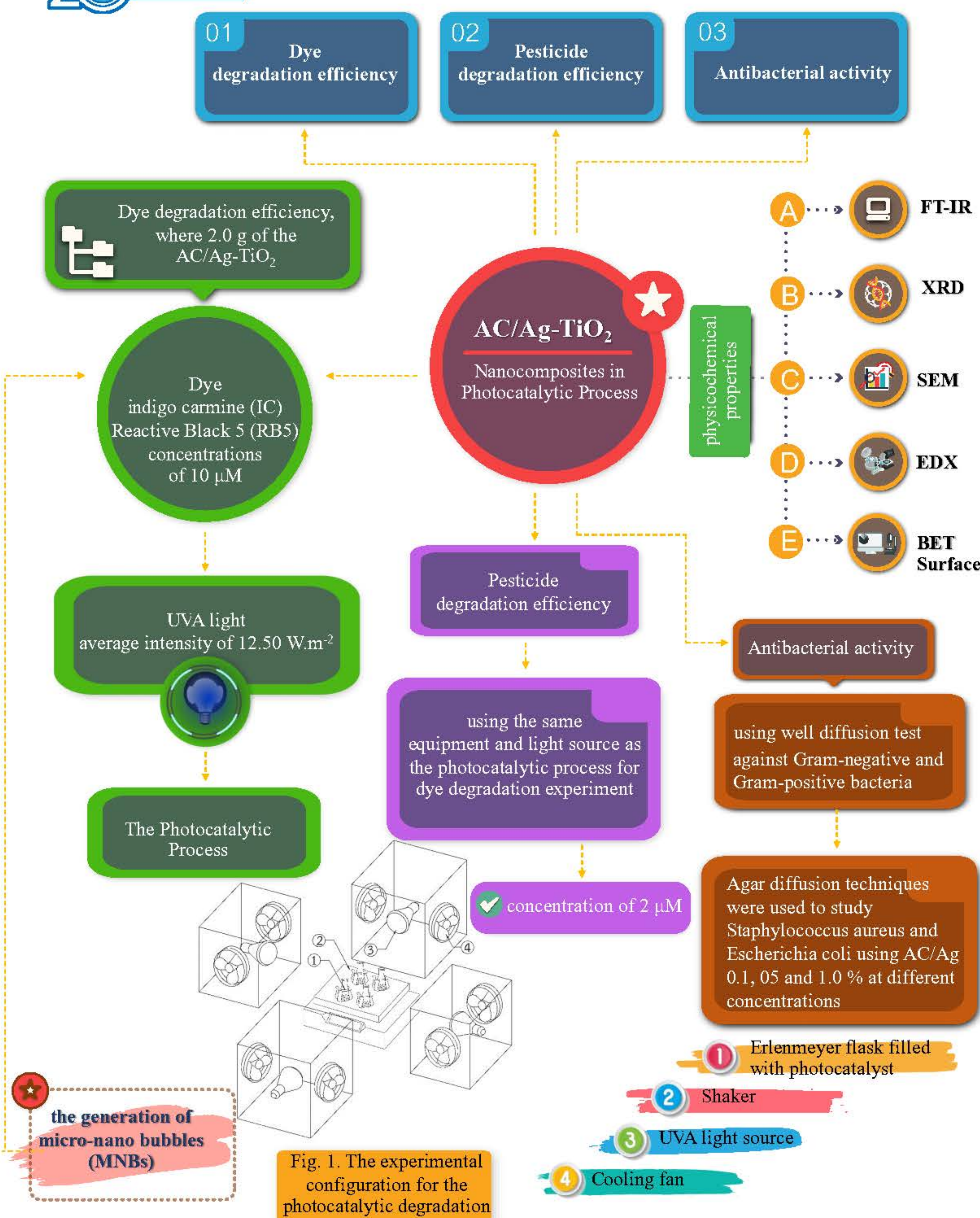


Fig. 1. The experimental configuration for the photocatalytic degradation

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Structural analysis

The crystalline structure and face purity of the synthesized AC/0.1%Ag-TiO₂, AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂, and AC/1%Ag-TiO₂ nanocomposites, were verified using the powder X-ray diffraction (XRD) method. As shown in Fig. 2a, the data indicates that all the samples display peaks at 2θ values of 24.8° and 43.6°, which correspond to reflections in the (002) plane and (100) plane, respectively. These findings confirm the presence of the quartz phase, characterized by a two-dimensional disordered stacking of micrographites. Furthermore, when the Ag concentration increased, the XRD peaks of the AC/Ag-TiO₂ samples were slightly displaced to the lower angle side. The shift makes sense because the doped Ag ions may likely be incorporated into the

AC/TiO₂ lattice is not directly related to the doping concentration. However, the TiO₂ peaks did not appear due to the very low concentration of TiO₂ compared with AC. The presence of the AC/Ag-TiO₂ Photocatalyst was confirmed through EDX analysis.

The FTIR technique was employed to detect and identify the vibrational modes associated with the functional groups in the prepared material and the results are presented in Fig. 2. The peak observed at 3,423 cm⁻¹ may be attributed to the stretching of -OH groups found in polymeric compounds or the presence of N-H groups. The peaks at 2,928 and 2,855 cm⁻¹ are indicative of C-H stretching vibrations, while the peak at 1,428 cm⁻¹ signifies the presence of C=C groups in carbon. The band at 1,626 cm⁻¹ corresponds to the carbonyl stretching vibration of amide, likely resulting from the combined effects of double-bond stretching vibration and -NH deformation in lead-loaded activated carbon. Additionally, the minor peaks at 1,115 and 1,032 cm⁻¹ suggest the presence of S=O groups. It is noteworthy that both C=O and S=O functional groups are known to exhibit strong coordination with trace metals. Furthermore, as the concentration of Ag increased in AC/Ag-TiO₂, the band shifted to lower wavenumbers, providing evidence for the presence of Ag within the AC/TiO₂ nanoparticles.

Surface morphological and elemental analysis

The surface properties and elemental composition of both the uncoated AC and the AC/Ag-TiO₂ photocatalyst are shown in Figures 3(a) and (b). The SEM images clearly depict the nanostructured surface of the activated carbon coated with the Ag-TiO₂ photocatalyst, where well-distributed nanoparticles are apparent (Fig. 3(b)). These results provide strong evidence of the successful application of Ag-TiO₂ nanoparticles onto the activated carbon surface. To provide additional details regarding the nanostructure of the AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂ photocatalyst, were conducted through high-resolution transmission electron microscopy (HR-TEM) analysis, and the findings are presented in Fig. 3. These results indicate that the nanoparticles exhibit an almost spherical shape, with particle sizes distributed within the range of 6 to 10 nanometers. In Fig. 3a and 3b clearly show the presence of dark spots on the surface of the AC in the presence of Ag-TiO₂ particles. In Fig. 3d shows the electron diffraction patterns revealing the brightness and intensity of the polymorphic discrete ring of the highly crystalline structure.

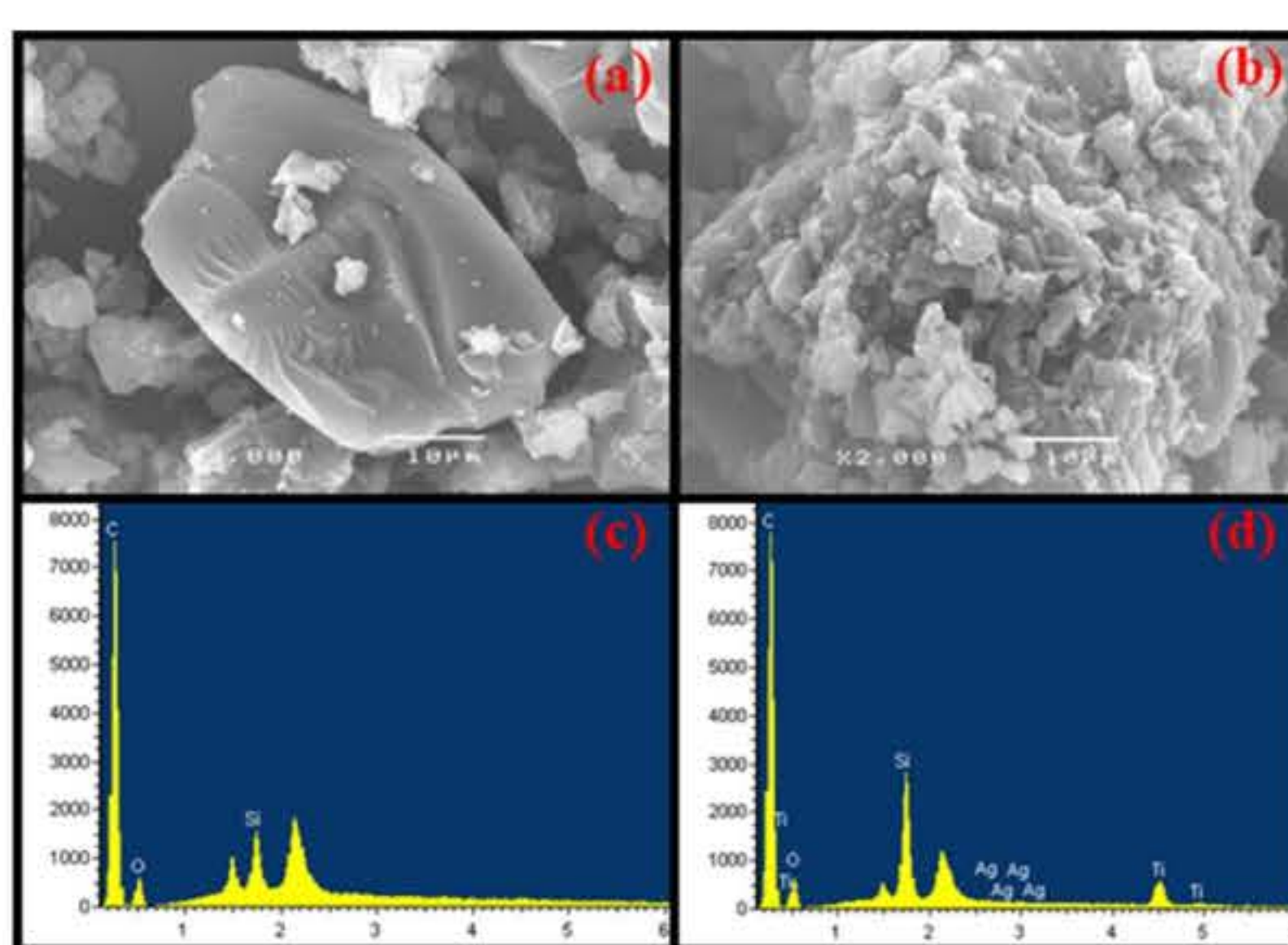


Fig. 3. SEM images for (a) uncoated AC, (b) AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂, (c) EDX spectrum of uncoated AC, (d) AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂ photocatalyst.

Table 1 Elemental composition and BET surface property of AC/Ag-TiO₂ photocatalyst

| Photocatalyst Properties | AC | 0.1%Ag-TiO ₂ | 0.5%Ag-TiO ₂ | 1.0%Ag-TiO ₂ |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Bandgap Energy (eV) | - | 1.74 | 1.76 | 1.67 |
| Composition | Ti | 2.53 | 3.06 | 2.92 |
| (%) | Ag | 0.09 | 0.52 | 0.98 |
| | C | 99.14 | 95.81 | 95.24 |
| | Si | 0.86 | 0.77 | 0.83 |
| | Al | - | 0.01 | 0.34 |
| BET Analysis | Surface area (m ² /g) | 553.98 | 630.89 | 455.04 |
| | Pore volume (cm ³ /g) | 0.35 | 0.19 | 0.20 |
| | Pore size (nm) | 2.41 | 1.52 | 1.51 |

The elemental composition and BET surface characteristics for the uncoated AC and the AC/Ag-TiO₂ photocatalyst are also included in Table 1. Fig. 2 shows the EDS image of the AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂ photocatalyst, revealing prominent peaks corresponding to Ti and Ag with 0.74 wt% and 0.50 wt% of Ti and Ag, respectively, indicating a successful coating on the AC surface. Table 1 presents the composition of the AC coated with different amounts of Ag-TiO₂, and it also identifies the presence of other elements on the AC surface, such as carbon (C), silicon (Si), and oxygen (O). The EDS analysis was conducted to determine the chemical composition of the catalyst, thereby confirming the successful integration of Ag and TiO₂ elements and validating the presence of the targeted

species. This precise control over the Ag coating composition facilitates the optimization of photocatalyst properties.

The BET analysis findings indicate that the coating of Ag-TiO₂ onto the surface of AC led to a noticeable reduction in the surface area, volume, and pore size of AC. This aligns with results reported in prior studies. The decrease in size can be ascribed to a variety of factors, such as the obstruction of surface area, the agglomeration of Ag-TiO₂ particles, consolidation during the coating procedure, and the chemical interactions between Ag-TiO₂ and AC. The catalyst surface area increases when the amount of Ag in the photocatalyst that is applied to AC is increased. On the other hand, there were no noticeable differences in the volume or pore size of the Ag-TiO₂ coated AC.

UV-vis DRS analysis

The UV-vis DRS spectra obtained for AC/Ag-TiO₂ nanoparticles unveiled absorbing optical characteristics. The spectrum showed a broad absorption band in the visible region, which is indicative of the nanoparticles' ability to absorb visible light. This absorption behavior holds immense significance for photocatalytic applications, as it suggests enhanced light-harvesting capabilities.

The obtained band gap energy of the AC/0.1%Ag-TiO₂, AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂, and AC/1%Ag-TiO₂ catalyst were 1.74, 1.69 and 1.67 eV, respectively. The understanding of the optical properties, particularly the bandgap energy, of AC/0.1%Ag-TiO₂ holds great promise application for photocatalysis. In environmental remediation, these nanoparticles can be employed for the degradation of organic pollutants and the removal of contaminants from wastewater. The ability to harness ultraviolet and visible light ensures their versatility in different environmental conditions.

MNBs aeration

The size distribution of MNBs in the samples was evaluated using the Nano Tracking Analysis (NTA) method on a sophisticated nanoparticle size and concentration analyzer, namely the Malvern Panalytical NanoSight. The Stokes-Einstein equation, which computes particle size in terms of hydrodynamics, was then used to determine the size of these entities in the liquid phase. The physical analysis results of MNBs showed that the average bubble size was 125.90 ± 2.70 nm, and the most common size was 86.90 ± 2.00 nm. This implies that the aeration of MNBs with this apparatus produces air bubbles that are similar in size to MNBs. Due to the production of tiny, nanoscale air bubbles, the dissolved oxygen (DO) levels increased proportionately as the MNBs aerated. As a consequence, the desired DO range of 10.78–10.88 mg·L⁻¹ was reached in about 15 minutes. The reason why smaller MNBs are preferred is because of their longer lifetime in water and intrinsic stability, which raises DO levels. As a result, the addition of MNBs increased the oxidation-reduction potential (ORP), increasing noticeably from 249 mV in the cases when MNBs were not present to 275 mV in the cases where MNBs were present.

Dye degradation efficiency

Table 2 presents a comparison of IC and RB5 dye degradation efficiency at the 180-minutes mark for experimental conditions 1 and 2, both with an initial dye concentration of 10 µM. The photocatalytic degradation of IC dye under experimental condition 1 showed the following efficiencies: 87.03%, 93.66%, and 91.16% when using AC/Ag-TiO₂+UVA+MNBs as the catalyst. For RB5 dye, the corresponding efficiencies were 75.72%, 88.66%, and 86.69% with AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂, AC/1.0%Ag-TiO₂, and AC/1.0%Ag-TiO₂ photocatalysts, respectively. While, in experimental condition 2, without MNBs, the photocatalytic degradation efficiencies for IC dye were 65.54%, 70.15%, and 68.20% with AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂, AC/1.0%Ag-TiO₂, and AC/1.0%Ag-TiO₂ as catalysts, respectively. For RB5 dye in the same conditions, the photodegradation efficiencies were 62.11%, 66.90%, and 63.68% with AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂, AC/1.0%Ag-TiO₂, and AC/1.0%Ag-TiO₂ catalysts, respectively.

Based on the comprehensive experiment results, it is evident that the photocatalyst prepared for the UVA-driven photocatalytic process demonstrated the capacity to degrade both IC and RB5 dyes, achieving degradation rates of approximately 65.54% to 70.15% for IC and 62.11% to 66.90% for RB5. Notably, the photocatalyst AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂ exhibited the highest degradation efficiency. This enhanced performance can be attributed to its physical properties, specifically the functional groups on AC that exhibit strong coordination with Ag, influencing the optimal band gap size for the photocatalytic process. The resulting photocatalyst boasts an increased number of active sites, a larger surface area, and heightened absorption capabilities. Moreover, the addition of MNBs to the photocatalytic reaction led to a noticeable improvement in efficiency. Both dyes underwent evident oxidation.

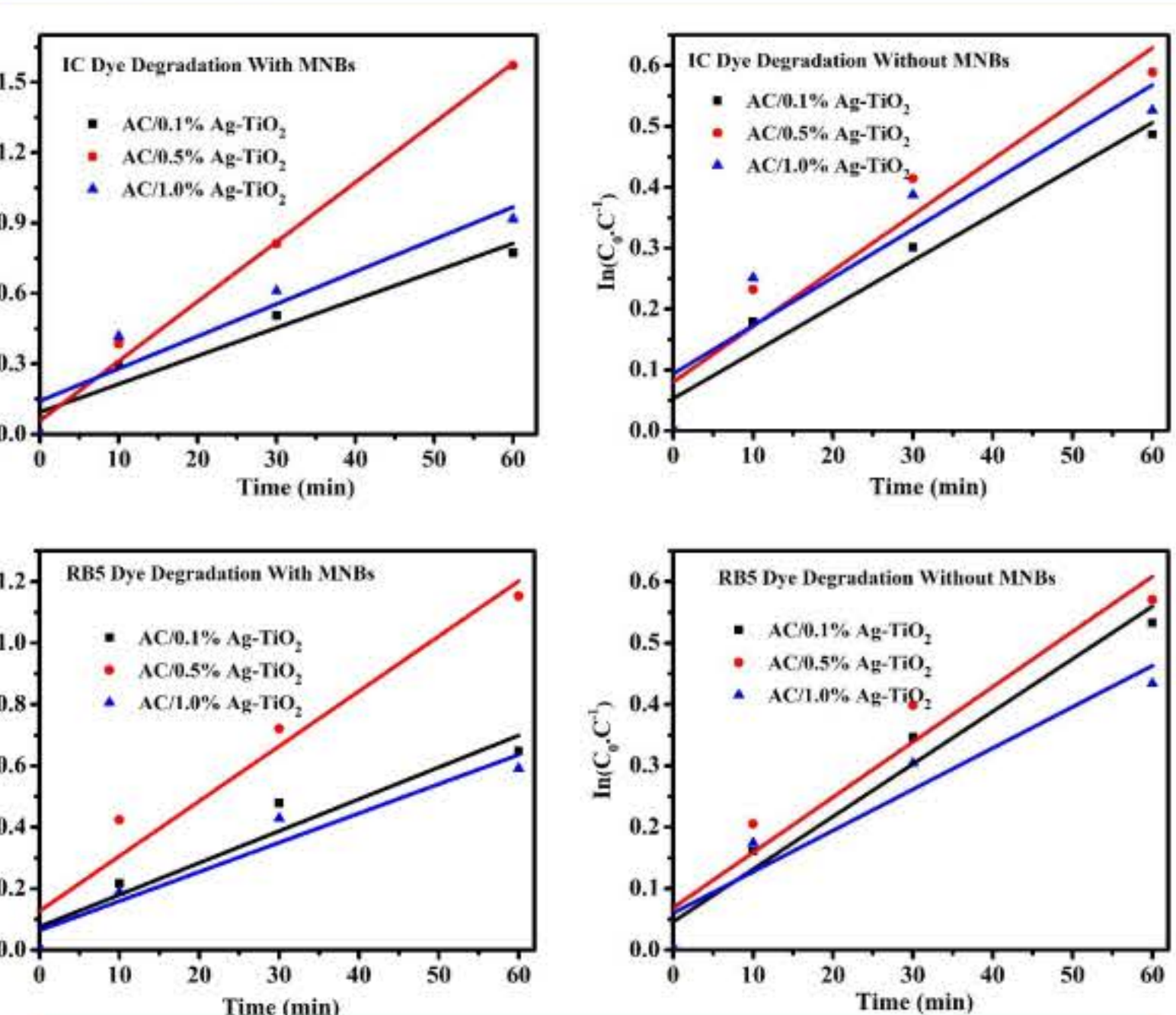


Fig. 4. Pseudo first-order kinetic plots of $\ln(C_0/C_t)$ relative to time for IC and RB5 dye degradation with various photocatalysts under with and without MNBs

Antibacterial activity

The agar well diffusion approach was used to investigate AC doped Ag 0.1, 0.5, and 1% antibacterial properties. The study utilized Gram (+ve) (*S. aureus*) and Gram (-ve) (*E. coli*) bacteria. Fig. 5 shows inhibited zones for *E. coli* and *S. aureus* against standard drugs and developed AC/Ag NPs at 50 and 100µg/mL the two doses. Synthesized NPs had a stronger antibacterial impact than traditional antibiotics (Fig.12). The zone of inhibition of AC/Ag NPs in *E. coli* was 10–16 mm, while conventional drugs were 16–20 mm. Zone inhibition enhanced with higher concentrations of silver nanoparticle-doped activated carbon. AC/Ag NPs (1.0%) at 100 µg/mL showed greater antibacterial properties against *E. coli* (15 mm) and *S. aureus* (12 mm) than 0.1% Ag NPs bind to bacteria for three reasons. Initially microbes positively charged membrane proteins and negatively charged Ag NPs (stabilized carboxylate) may interact via electrostatic attraction. Second, physical alterations in the bacterial cell wall may lead to cellular material release and cell death. Third, Ag NPs permeate bacterial membranes. Ag NPs may impede bacterial DNA replication and respiration, damaging the cells (Sagar et al., 2023).

Table 2 Dye degradation efficiency under various conditions given 180 min UVA irradiation time under initial dye concentrations of 10 µM.

| Experimental condition | Description | Dye degradation efficiency (%) | |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | | IC | RB5 |
| 1 | AC/0.1%Ag-TiO ₂ +UVA+ MNBs | 87.03 | 75.72 |
| | AC/0.5%Ag-TiO ₂ +UVA+ MNBs | 93.66 | 88.66 |
| | AC/1.0%Ag-TiO ₂ +UVA+ MNBs | 91.16 | 81.69 |
| 2 | AC/0.1%Ag-TiO ₂ +UVA | 65.54 | 62.11 |
| | AC/0.5%Ag-TiO ₂ +UVA | 70.15 | 66.90 |
| | AC/1.0%Ag-TiO ₂ +UVA | 68.20 | 63.68 |

Further studies were carried out to investigate the kinetics and advancement of the reaction (Fig. 4). Specifically, the reaction rates observed during the photocatalyst tracking of IC and RB5 with and without MNBs were compared. The findings showed that there were differences in the reaction rates for both compounds when MNBs were present versus absent. It was clear from analyzing the first-order reaction constants that MNBs were essential in promoting the photocatalytic reactions for AC/0.1%Ag-TiO₂, AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂, and AC/1.0%Ag-TiO₂. In particular, the rates of reaction were roughly 1.58, 2.79, and 1.75 times higher for IC and 1.70, 1.99, and 1.10 times higher for RB5, respectively. MNBs, in summary, showed a noteworthy capacity to increase the effectiveness of photocatalytic processes in the degradation of IC and RB5. With AC/0.1%Ag-TiO₂, AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂, and AC/1.0%Ag-TiO₂, the greatest photocatalytic rate constants for IC degradation in the absence of MNBs were 0.76 × 10⁻², 0.91 × 10⁻², and 0.79 × 10⁻² min⁻¹, respectively. In a similar vein, the corresponding rate constants for RB5 degradation in the absence of MNBs were 0.61 × 10⁻², 0.90 × 10⁻², and 0.86 × 10⁻² min⁻¹. When MNBs were added, the maximum photocatalytic rate constants for IC degradation increased to 1.20 × 10⁻², 2.54 × 10⁻², and 1.38 × 10⁻² min⁻¹; for RB5 degradation, the rates increased to 1.04 × 10⁻², 1.79 × 10⁻², and 0.95 × 10⁻² min⁻¹ with AC/0.1%Ag-TiO₂, AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂, and AC/1.0%Ag-TiO₂, among others. The results showed that by creating a heterojunction structural system between AC and Ag-TiO₂ adding Ag-TiO₂ to AC facilitated photocatalytic degradation. Therefore, compared to certain previously described photocatalysts, it can be concluded that the production of AC/Ag-TiO₂ leads to increased photocatalytic activity.

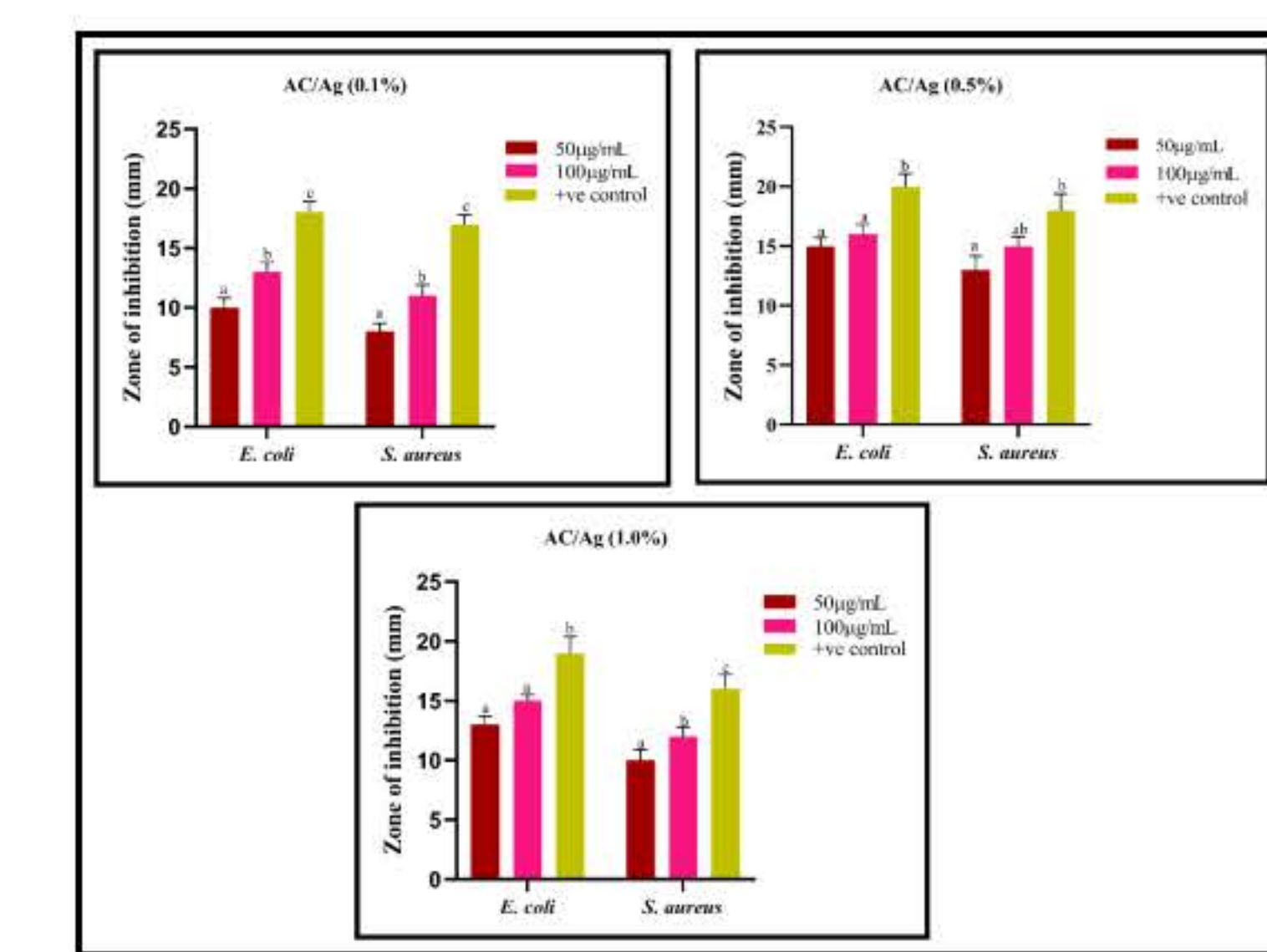


Fig. 5. Zone of inhibition of developed AC/0.1%Ag-TiO₂, AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂, and AC/1.0%Ag-TiO₂ using well diffusion assay against *E. coli* and *S. aureus*.

Photocatalytic mechanisms

The effective treatment of pollutants can be greatly enhanced by the use of a hybrid photocatalyst, in which Ag-TiO₂ is coated over AC. Adsorption of contaminants can be carried out with great efficiency according to the intrinsic characteristics of AC precursors, which include critical surface area and porosity. By producing ROS and facilitating efficient charge separation, Ag-TiO₂ improves the photocatalyst's photocatalytic activity, which is supported by Ag nanoparticles. When these characteristics are combined, the adsorption and degradation processes of various pollutants are synchronized, producing a synergistic effect. Photoexcited carriers are quickly transferred to the particle surface through physical property manipulation such as band gaps, charge carrier separation, and plasmonic phenomena. A significant improvement in the total photocatalytic activity is achieved by this effective transfer mechanism, which significantly lowers carrier recombination rates.

CONCLUSION

The photocatalyst AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂ clearly shows advantageous qualities for the removal of various pollutants when the experimental results are summarized. The coating of Ag-TiO₂ onto AC enhances the photocatalytic process by increasing the surface area, promoting efficient charge separation, generating ROS, creating a synergistic effect between adsorption and degradation, and introducing antibacterial properties. Within the photocatalytic process, the introduction of MNBs is found to operate as a catalyst for oxidation reactions, promoting the production of ROS including •O₂⁻, H₂O₂ and. Interestingly, increased DO concentrations enhance the production and quantity of ROS, such as 1O₂, H₂O₂, •OH, and •O₂. More DO during the photocatalytic degradation process is thought to be the cause of the enhanced presence of these free radicals. Moreover, the used AC/0.5%Ag-TiO₂ photocatalyst shows strong antibacterial activity against *E. coli* and *S. aureus* bacteria even in the absence of additional MNBs. This demonstrates the photocatalyst's intrinsic capacity to provide substantial value, generated from agricultural waste materials, expanding its applicability in a wide range of environmental pollutant treatment scenarios. Overall, the study results demonstrate the diverse range of applications and efficiency of agricultural waste-derived catalysts in tackling environmental issues.

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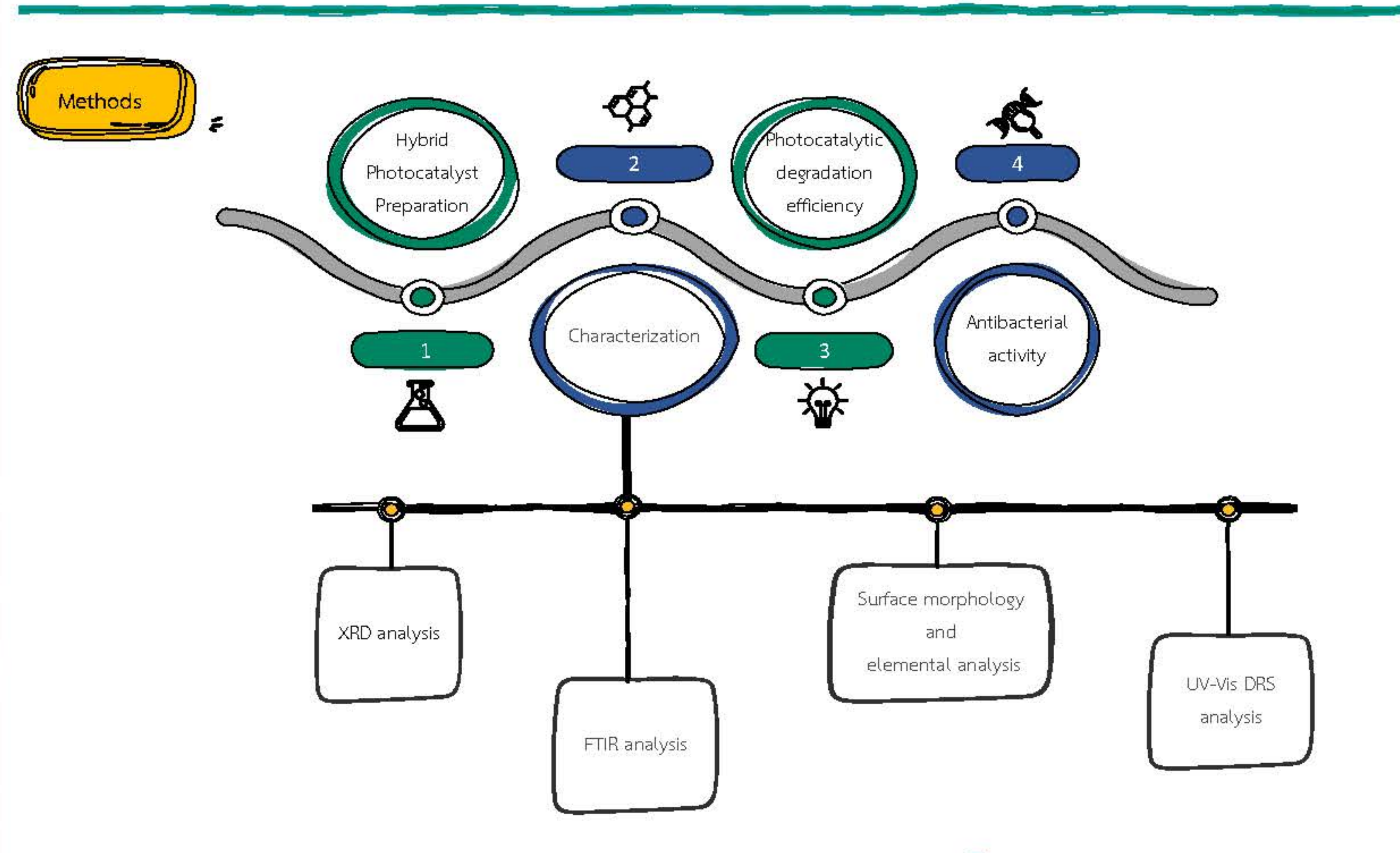
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Introduction

The discharge of improperly treated dye wastewater into watercourses causes ecological imbalance by affecting sunlight penetration, reducing dissolved oxygen, causing eutrophication, and harming aquatic life. As a result, several treatment techniques have been proposed to treat dye wastewater. However, the existing treatment techniques are somewhat inefficient and/or costly. The photocatalytic degradation of dyes utilising semiconductor materials is one of the efficient processes for rapid and low-cost treatment.

In dye wastewater treatment, hybrid photocatalysts, such as activated carbon coated with TiO₂, have been increasingly adopted to enhance the photocatalytic process. The augmentation of the photocatalytic process with micro-nano bubbles (MNB) aeration potentially enhances the photocatalytic degradation of dyes in wastewater. The fine bubbles provide a large interfacial area for efficient contact between dye molecules and the photocatalyst.

Specifically, this research comparatively investigates the photocatalytic degradation efficiency of synthetic dyes in wastewater using a hybrid photocatalyst (HP) with and without MNB aeration under UVA irradiation (i.e., HP+UVA+MNB and HP+UVA). The hybrid photocatalyst was AC coated with TiO₂.



Results and discussion

1 XRD analysis

The crystal structure and phase composition of the as-prepared AC and HP photocatalyst, the results were shown in Fig. 1. Two broad peaks can be seen in the XRD pattern of the AC photocatalyst at 24.8° and 43.6°, which correspond to reflections in the (002) plane and (100) plane, respectively. These confirm the presence of the quartz phase at two-dimensional thoughts of disordered stacking of micrographites. Furthermore, The XRD peaks of the HP photocatalyst were slightly shifted to a lower angle side and reduced the intensity by adding TiO₂ nanoparticles. The shift is reasonable because the TiO₂ was incorporated into the AC lattice, but the TiO₂ peak has not appeared because the TiO₂ concentration is very low compared to AC.

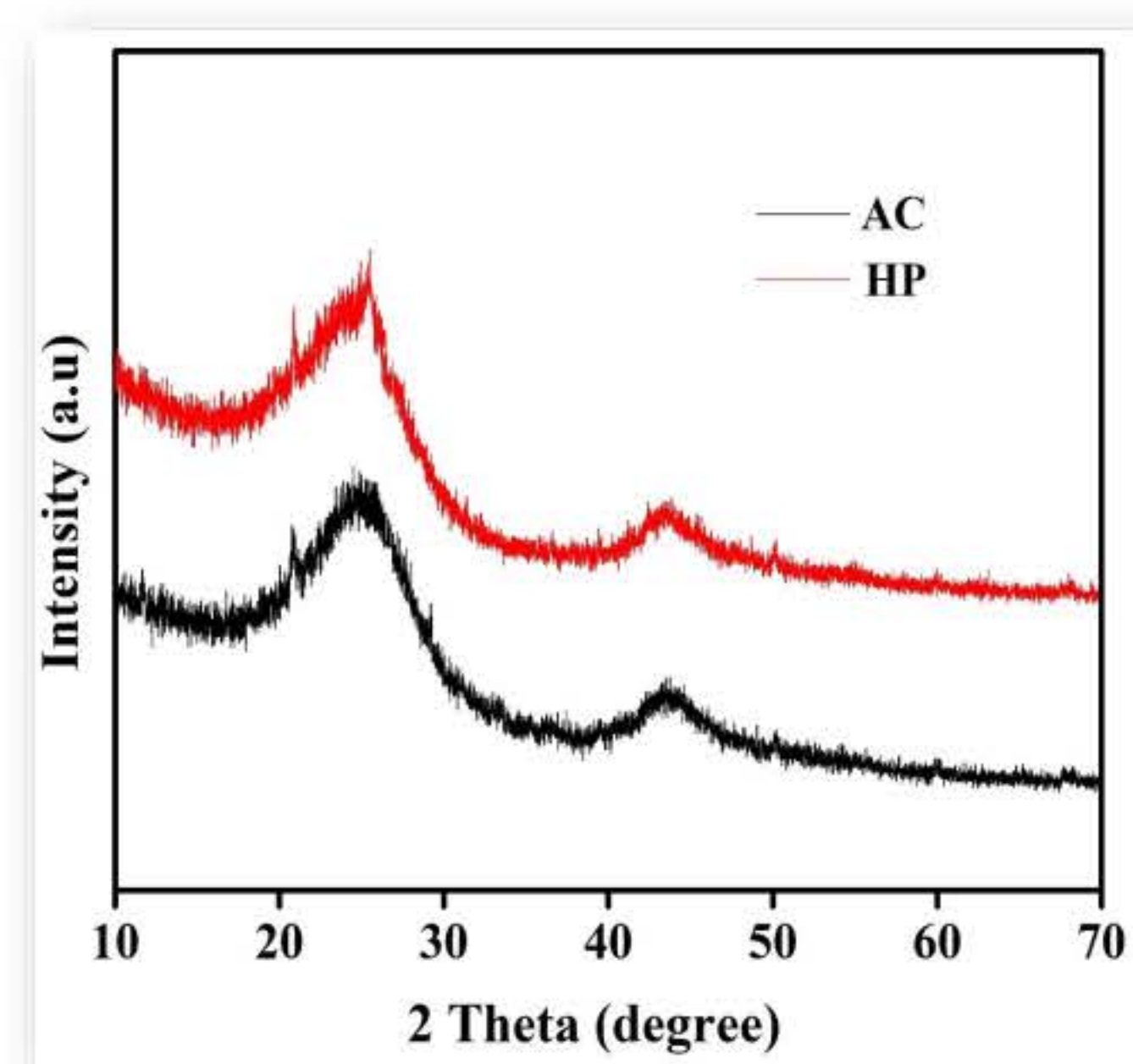


Fig. 1. XRD spectra of the as-prepared photocatalyst.

2 FTIR analysis

FTIR spectra examined the effect of activated carbon on the surface functional groups, and the results are shown in Fig. 2. The band at 3,423 cm⁻¹ could be due to the -OH stretching of polymeric compounds or the presence of N-H groups. The peaks at 2,928 and 2,855 cm⁻¹ indicate the C-H stretching vibrations, and the peak at 1,428 cm⁻¹ indicates C=C groups in carbon. The band at 1,626 cm⁻¹ corresponds to the carbonyl stretching vibration of amide, which is thought to be caused by the combined action of double-bond stretching vibration and -NH deformation band for lead-loaded activated carbon. Additionally, the minor peaks at 1,115 and 1,052 cm⁻¹ suggest the S=O. The C=O and S=O functional groups have been reported to show very high coordination with trace metals. Also, in this case of AC-coated TiO₂ nanoparticles, the band shifted to a higher wavenumber, indicating the presence of AC in TiO₂ nanoparticles.

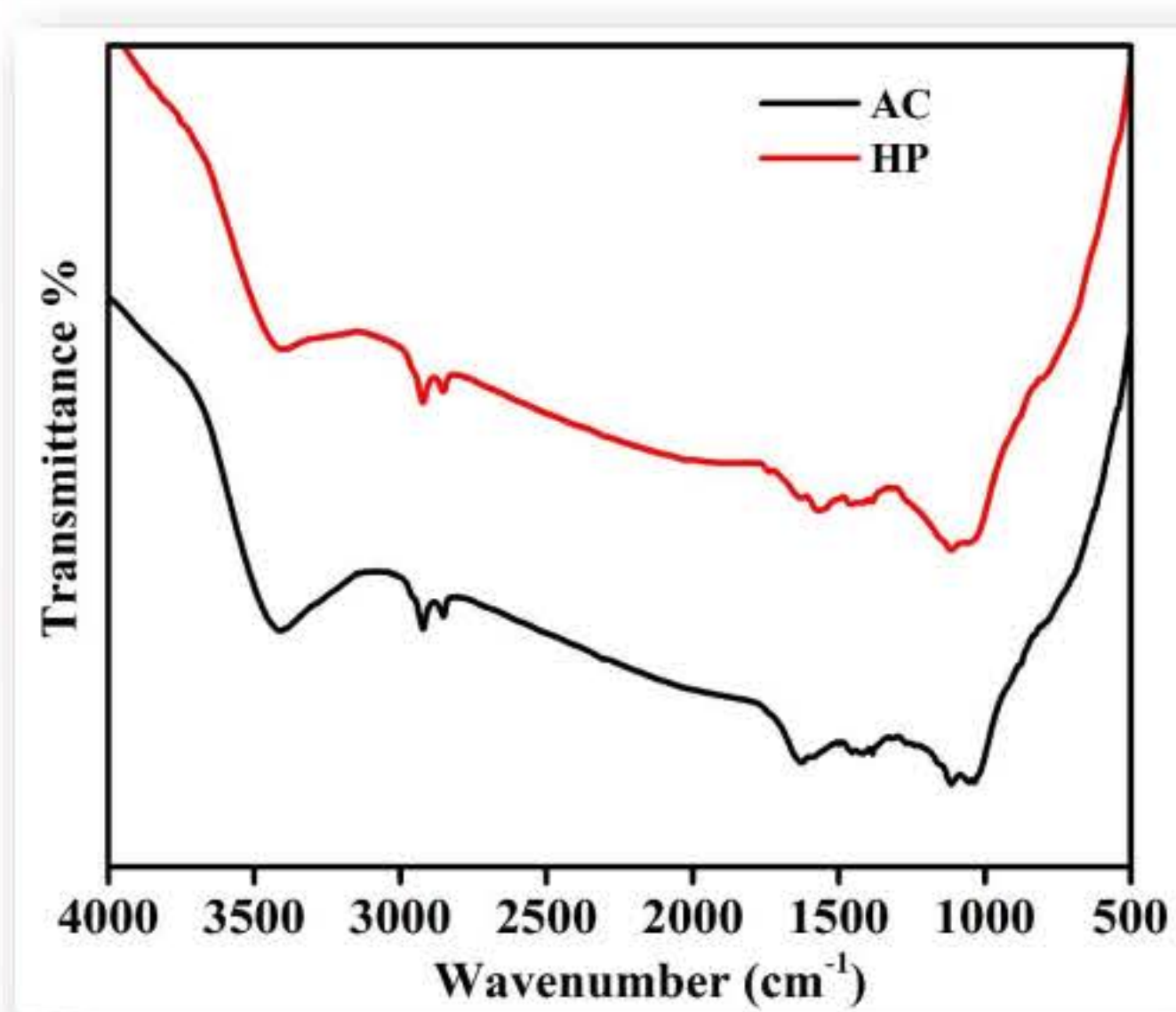


Fig. 2. FTIR spectra of AC and HP Photocatalysts

3 Surface morphology and elemental analysis

The surface morphology and particle size of the AC and the HP photocatalyst are characterized through the SEM and HR-TEM analysis. Fig. 3(a) and (b) illustrate the surface morphology and elemental composition of the uncoated AC and the HP photocatalyst, respectively. The AC surface with large agglomerates and inhomogeneous were observed. In Fig. 3(b) clearly shows that the TiO₂ nanoparticles were efficiently coated on the AC surface. Fig. 3. shows the EDS image of the HP photocatalyst demonstrating the strong peaks of Ti, with 0.74 wt% of Ti coated on the AC surface (Table 1). The other elements present on the AC surface were carbon (C), silicon (Si), and oxygen (O). The HP photocatalyst morphology was further revealed by High-resolution transmission electron microscopy (HRTEM); the results are shown in Fig. 4a-d. The images clearly show they had a quasi-spherical shape-like morphology with an average size of 8-15 nm.

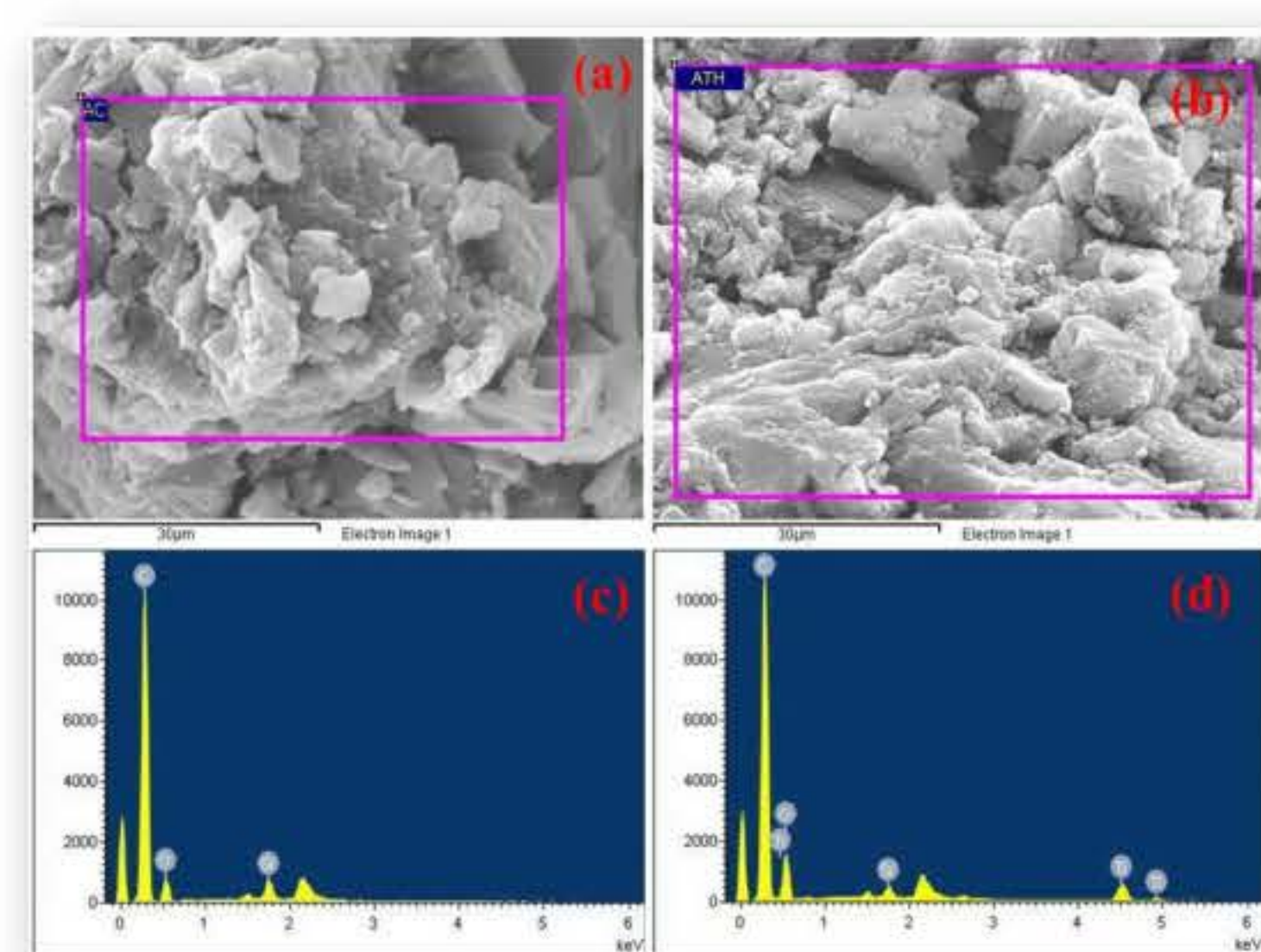


Fig. 3. SEM images and EDS elemental composition of: (a) uncoated AC, (b) HP photocatalyst.

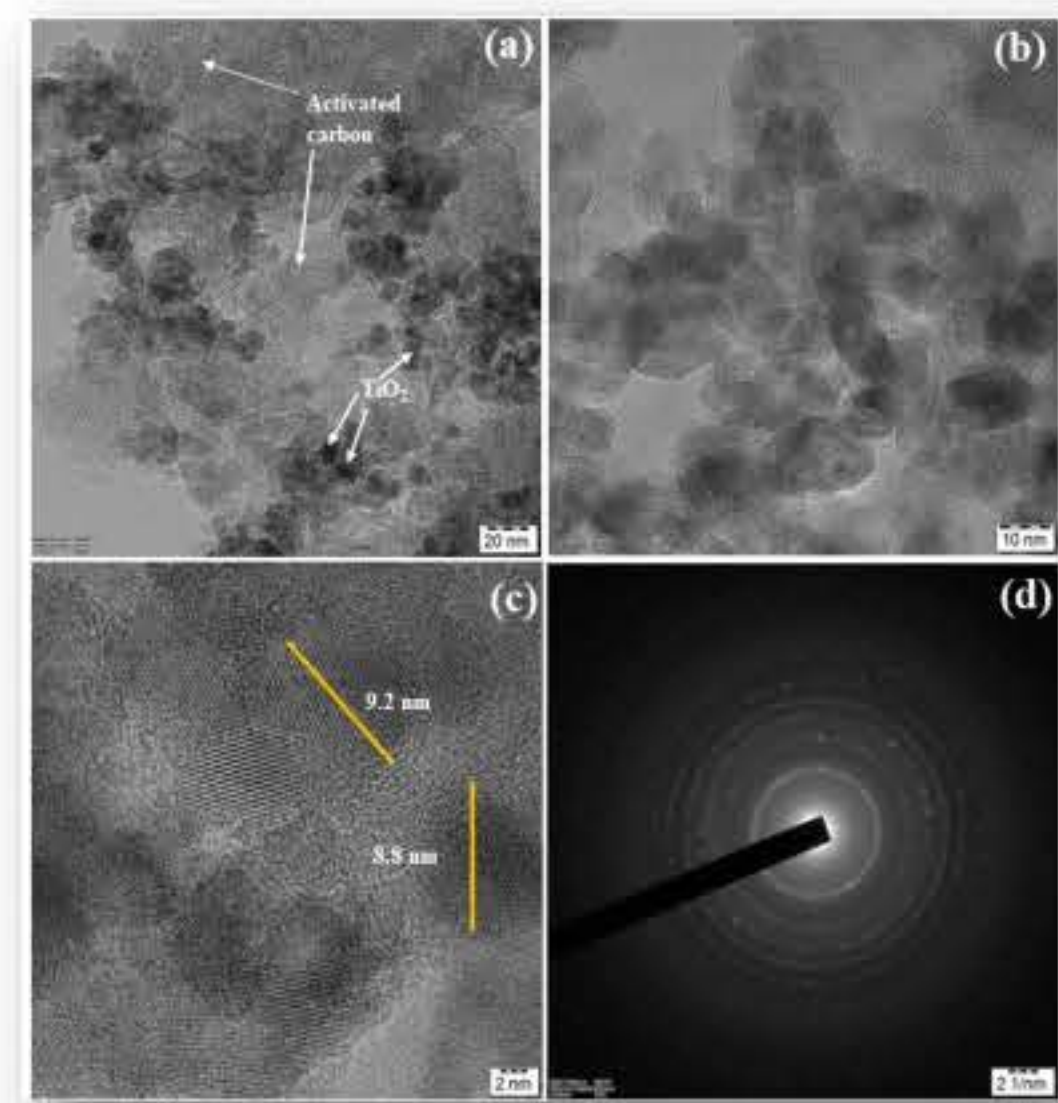


Fig. 4. TEM images of HP photocatalyst.

The BET surface area, pore volume, and pore size of the HP photocatalyst slightly decreased. Due to the blockage of surface area, agglomeration of TiO₂ particles, sintering during the coating process, and chemical reaction between TiO₂ and AC. Despite the smaller specific surface area, pore size, and volume of the HP photocatalyst, they are insignificantly different from the uncoated AC (Table 1).

Table 1 Elemental composition and BET surface property of uncoated AC and HP photocatalyst.

| Experiment condition | Composition (%) | | | | Surface property | | |
|----------------------|-----------------|-------|------|-------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| | Ti | C | Si | O | Surface area (m ² .g ⁻¹) | Pore volume (mL.g ⁻¹) | Pore size (Å) |
| Uncoated AC | - | 27.26 | 0.40 | 72.54 | 1.981×10 ² | 0.183 | 6.235×10 ¹ |
| HP | 0.74 | 26.83 | 0.21 | 72.21 | 1.603×10 ² | 0.170 | 4.253×10 ¹ |

Regarding the data concerning the particle size, size distribution, and MNB concentration in experimental condition 1 (HP+UVA+MNB), MNB was produced using the RMUTT-MNB generator, operating at a flow rate of 20 to 80 Lmin⁻¹ and a pressure range of 220 to 230 kPa. The particle sizes of MNB varied between 86.9 and 258.2 nm, with the most prevalent bubble size measuring 103.5±4.8 nm, accompanied by dissolved oxygen (DO) concentrations ranging from 10.78 to 10.88 mg.L⁻¹.

4 UV-Vis DRS analysis

The optical absorption properties of the as-prepared AC and the HP photocatalyst were analyzed by the UV-Visible Diffuse Reflectance Spectrometer (UV-DRS). In Fig.5a, both AC and the HP photocatalyst have shown a broad visible absorption edge, which indicates the catalysts good absorption property, their results are shown in Fig.5b. The obtained band gap energy of the AC and the HP catalyst are 1.63 and 1.72 eV, respectively. While adding the TiO₂ nanoparticle on AC, the bandgap energy was shifted to a higher angle side.

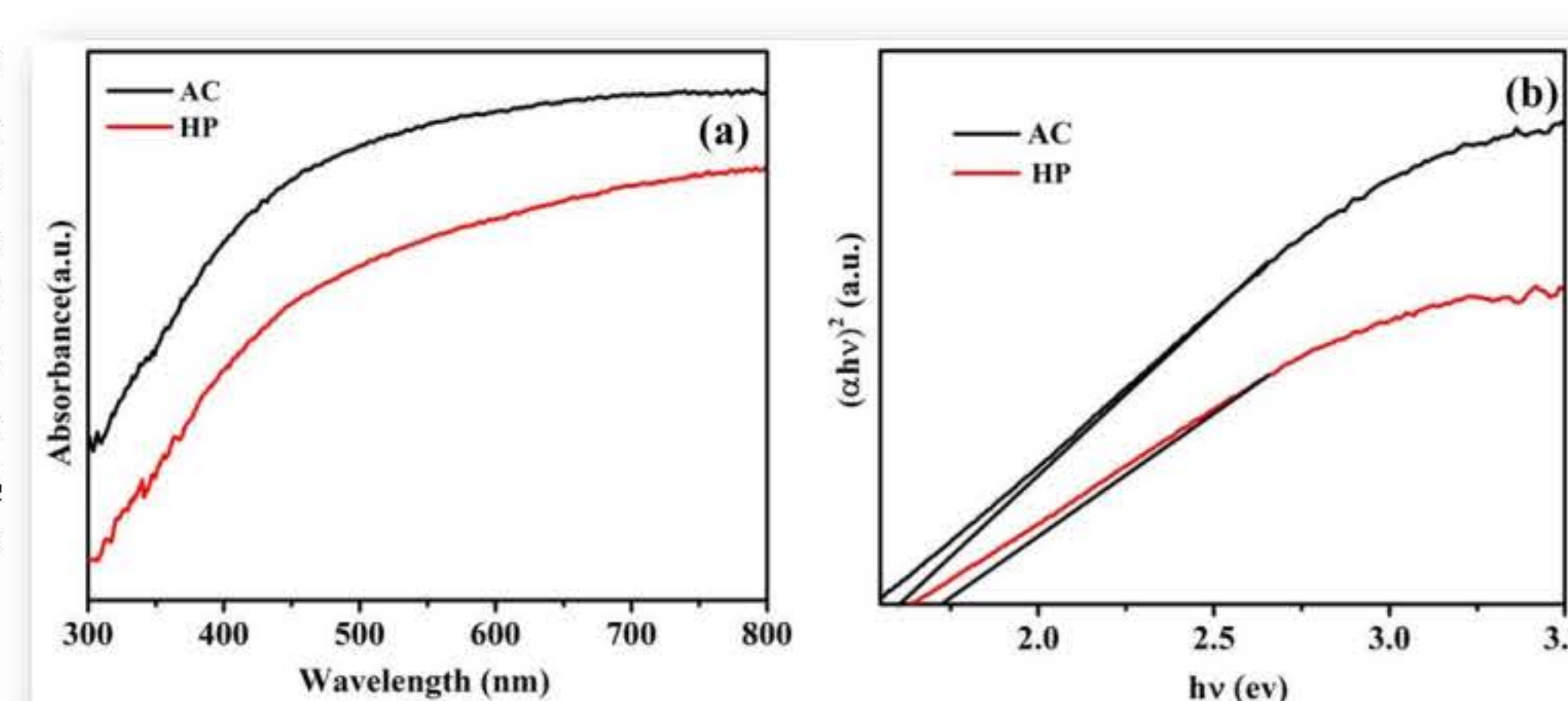


Fig. 5. (a) UV-Vis Diffuse reflectance spectra and (b) Tauc plots of AC and HP nanoparticles.

5 Photocatalytic degradation efficiency

Fig. 6. The IC, MB, and RB5 dye degradation efficiency of experimental conditions 1 (HP+UVA+MNB) achieved the highest dye degradation efficiency of 69.09%, 60.06%, and 55.19% for IC, MB, and RB5, respectively. The dye degradation efficiency was lower under the experimental condition 2 (HP+UVA) due to the absence of MNB (50.22%, 44.19%, and 37.88% for IC, MB, and RB5). The HP photocatalyst provided larger surface area for the photocatalytic reaction. However, in the absence of MNB, the photocatalytic reaction proceeded at a slower rate.

The experimental condition 3 (HP+MNB) was ineffective for treatment of dye wastewater due to the lack of UVA irradiation. The experimental conditions 4 (AC+UVA+MNB), 5 (AC+MNB), 6 (AC+UVA) and 7 (AC) exhibited only adsorption and absorption on the uncoated-AC. Meanwhile, the experimental condition 8 (MNB) showed that the sole use of MNB aeration achieved poor dye degradation performance.

The comparison, the structure of RB5 was highly complex, followed by MB and IC. As a result, MB and IC were readily degradable by the photocatalytic process due to their simpler structures that are more susceptible to reactive oxygen species (ROS) attack. Meanwhile, RB5 has a more complex structure that demands greater energy for degradation. Besides, due to the presence of a sulfonate group (SO₃⁻), RB5 is negatively charged, thus hindering the adsorption of dye onto the photocatalyst surface.

The MNB aeration levels of experimental condition 1 (HP+UVA+MNB) is positively correlated with the DO levels and oxidation-reduction potential (ORP) of the photocatalytic process. In other words, higher DO levels result in higher ORP, which in turn promotes the generation of electron-hole pairs. Higher ORP also promotes the formation of ROS, which enhances the photocatalytic degradation of dye molecules and organic pollutants. As a result, ORP can be used to assess the dye degradation efficiency of the photocatalytic process.

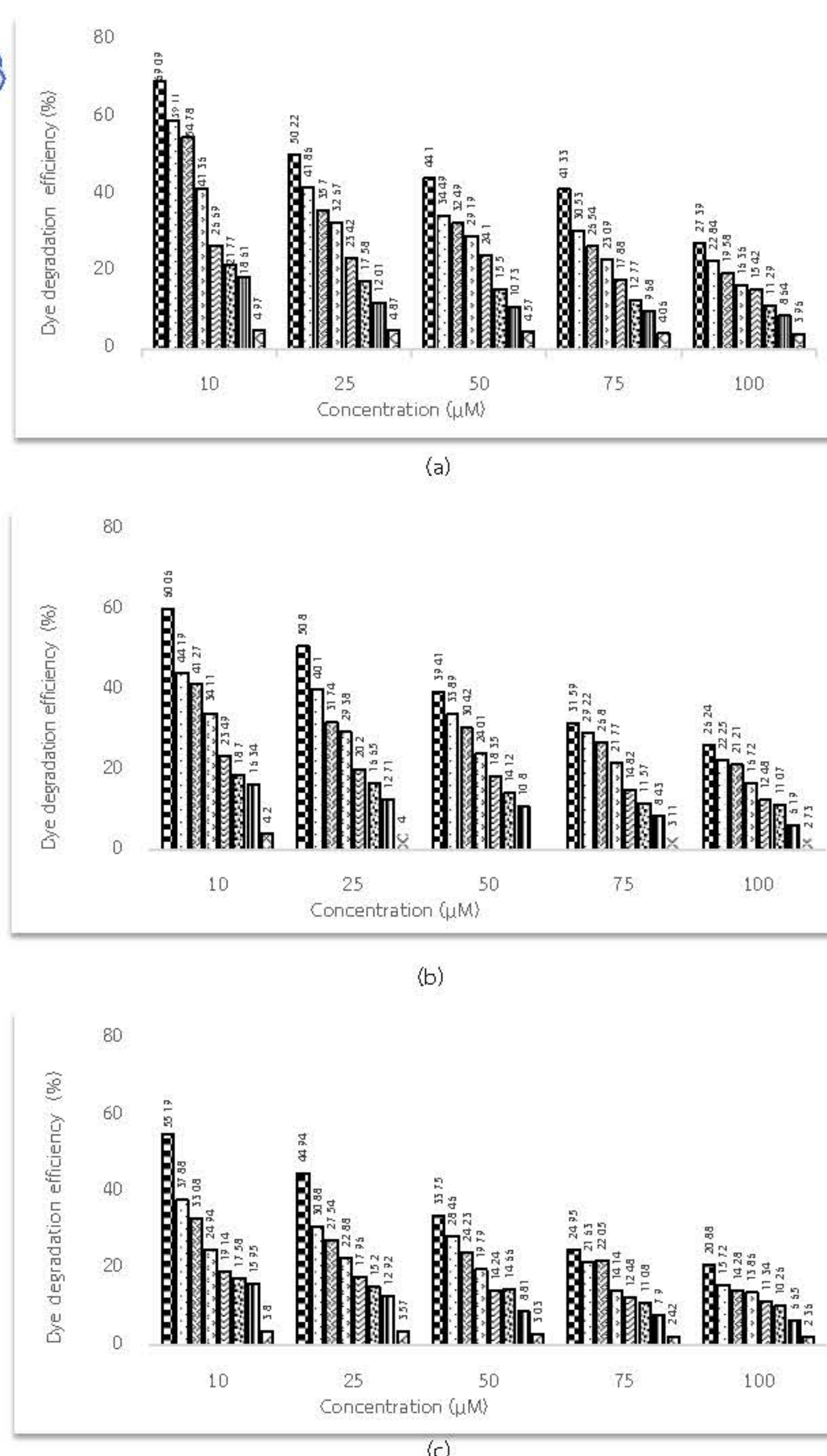


Fig. 6. Dye degradation efficiency of the experimental conditions being studied at termination (at 180 minutes) under variable initial dye concentrations: (a) IC, (b) MB, (c) RB5.

Antibacterial activity

The present study manufactured AC and HPNPs found a larger bacteria inhibition zone than the standard antibiotic. The highest antibacterial activity was observed at 100 µg.mL⁻¹ against Gram-positive *S. aureus* and Gram-negative *E. coli*. The HP showed a higher zone of inhibition (ZOI) for *E. coli* (19.50 ± 0.5 mm) and *S. aureus* (14.5 ± 0.2 mm) clearance after 24 hours of incubation. Negative control (10% DMSO) showed no ZOI (Fig.7 & Fig.8). TiO₂ nanoparticles interact with sulfur-containing proteins in the bacterial surface and phosphorus-containing molecules like DNA. Titanium has a stronger binding affinity for sulphur and phosphorus-containing cell biomolecules. Sulphur-containing proteins in cell membranes, within cells, and phosphorus-containing components like DNA will be the preferred locations for HP nanoparticle binding. When TiO₂ nanoparticles penetrate a bacterial cell, they produce a low molecular weight zone that protects DNA from titanium ions. The nanoparticles target the respiratory chain, causing cell division and death. In bacterial cells, nanomaterials release ions that boost bactericidal action.

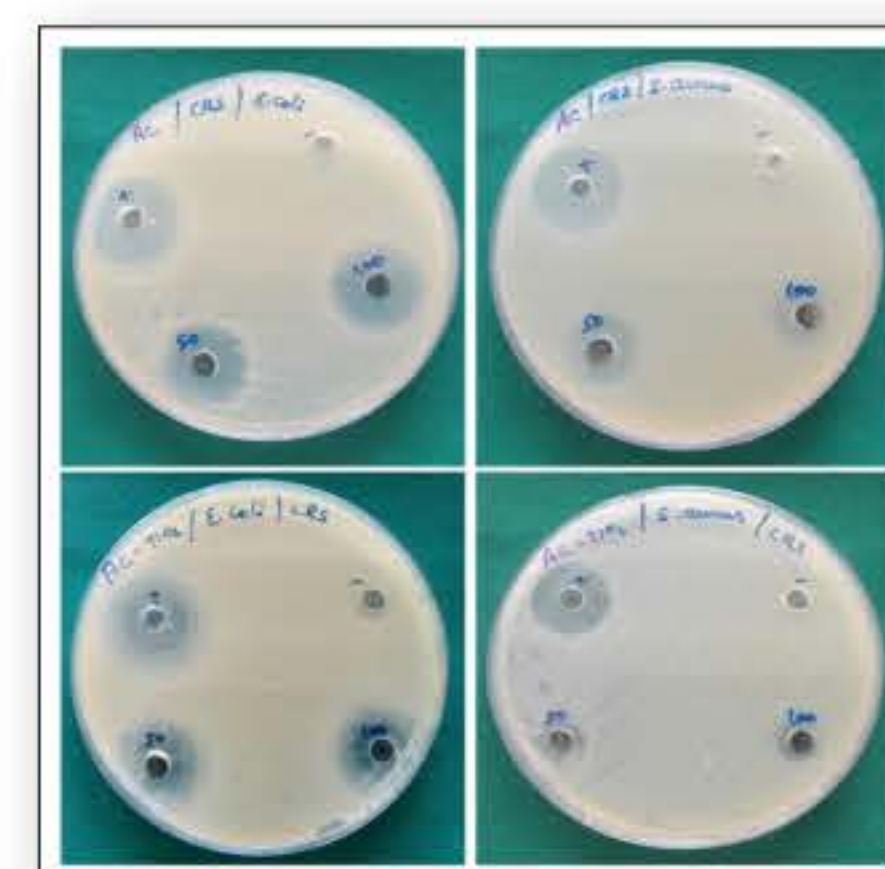


Fig. 7. Antibacterial potential of synthesized AC and HP on Gram-positive *S. aureus* and Gram-negative *E. coli* bacteria.

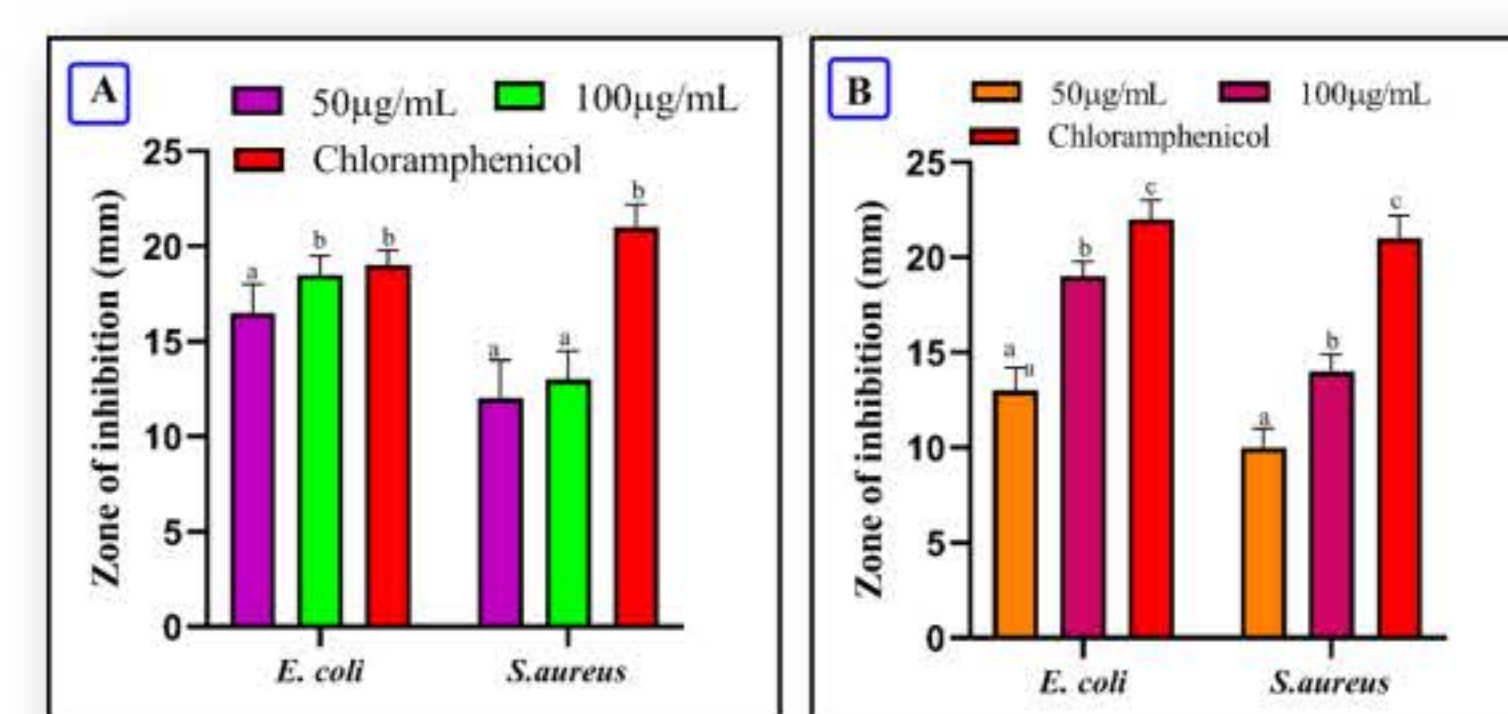


Fig. 8. Zone of inhibition for synthesized A) Activated carbon and B) Activated carbon

Conclusion

This research comparatively investigated the photocatalytic degradation efficiency of synthetic dyes in dye wastewater using hybrid photocatalyst (HP) with and without MNB aeration under UVA irradiation (i.e., HP+UVA+MNB and HP+UVA). The experimental synthetic dyes were IC, MB, and RB5, and the initial dye concentrations were varied between 10, 25, 50, 75 and 100 µM. The hybrid photocatalyst was TiO₂-coated AC. The experimental results showed that HP+UVA+MNB enhanced the degradation efficiency of the dyes, achieving the highest degradation efficiency of 69.09%, 60.06%, and 55.19% for IC, MB, and RB5, respectively, given 180 minutes of UVA irradiation and 10 µM initial dye concentration. Specifically, the HP photocatalyst augmented with MNB aeration enhanced the adsorption mechanism and the photocatalytic activity. Essentially, HP+UVA+MNB enhanced the photocatalytic degradation activity of synthetic dyes, rendering the technology operationally and environmentally suitable for dye wastewater treatment. The produced AC and HP also demonstrated an improved ZOI towards both bacterial strains.

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Performance of thermal reflection paint from the nanocellulose material with natural bamboo for energy savings

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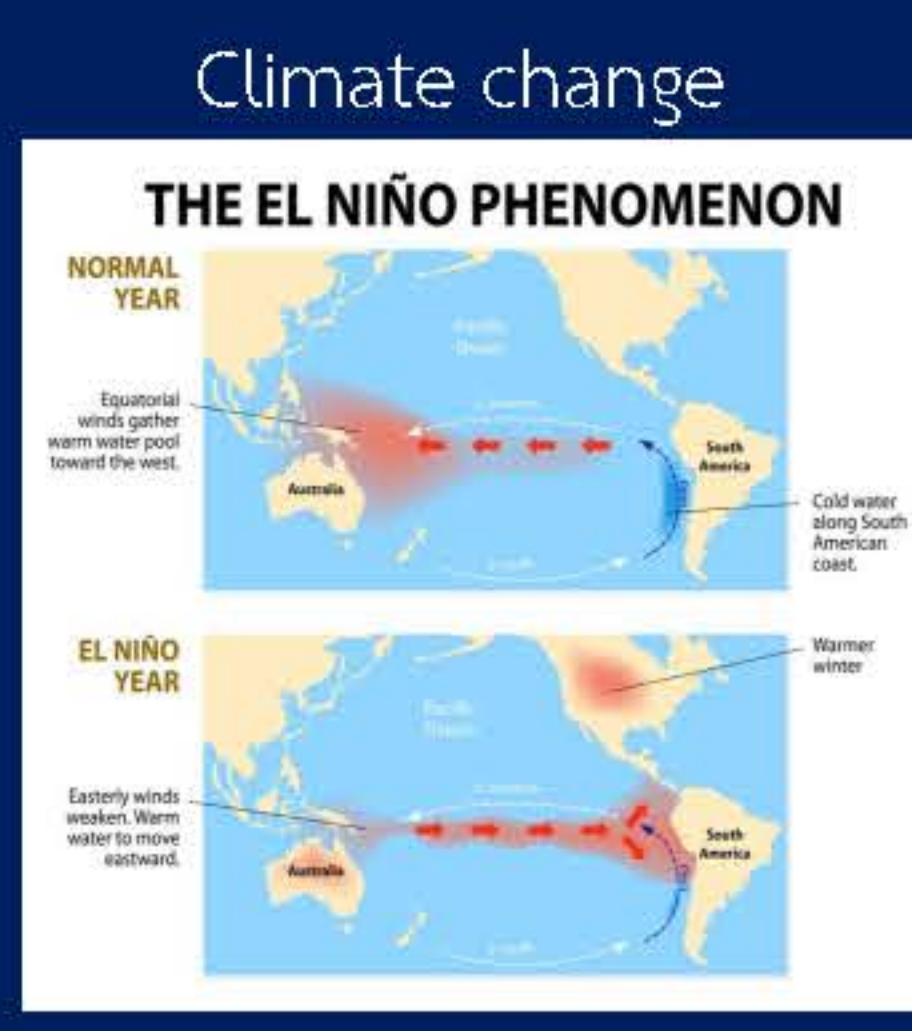
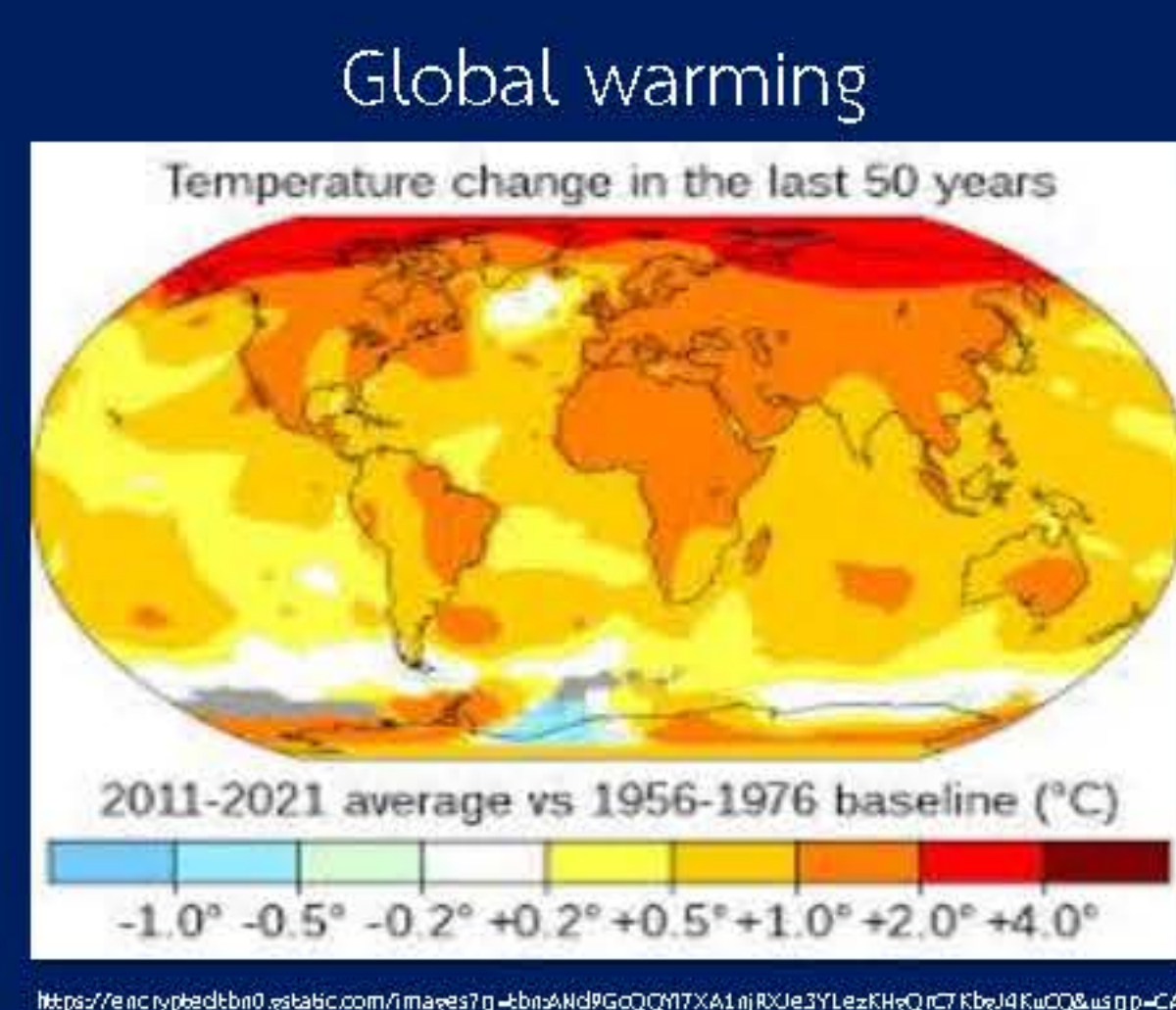
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I. INTRODUCTION

Saving energy and Environment



Create or develop materials technology

Natural bamboo

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Fig. 1 natural bamboo (a) and (b) natural bamboo after synthesis and grinding with ball mill 2 hrs.

II. METHODOLOGY

Hydrolysis process

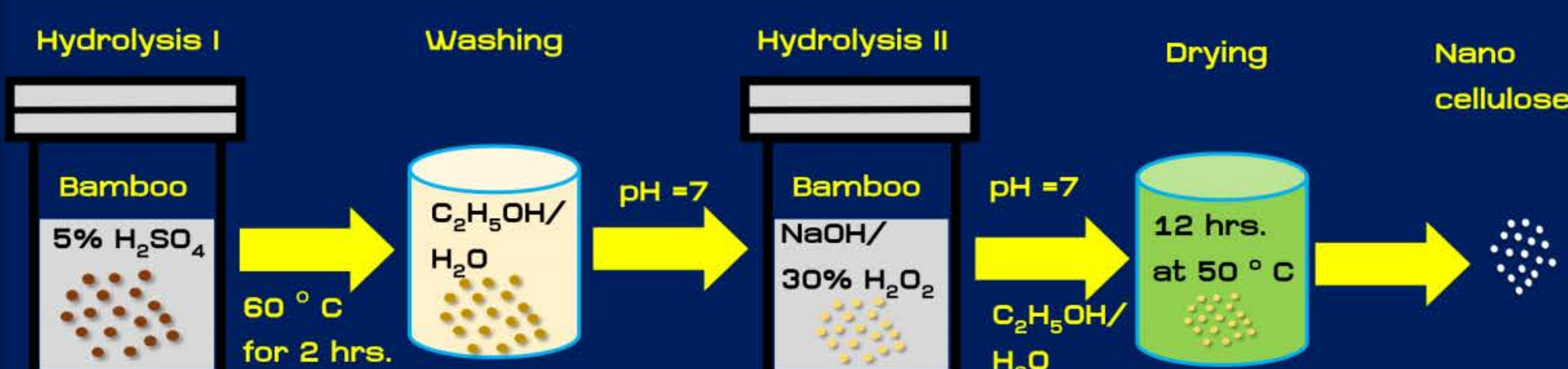


Fig.2 Schematic representation of the preparation of nanomaterials with the hydrolysis technique from natural bamboo for 60 °C at 2 hrs.

Thermal reflection paint

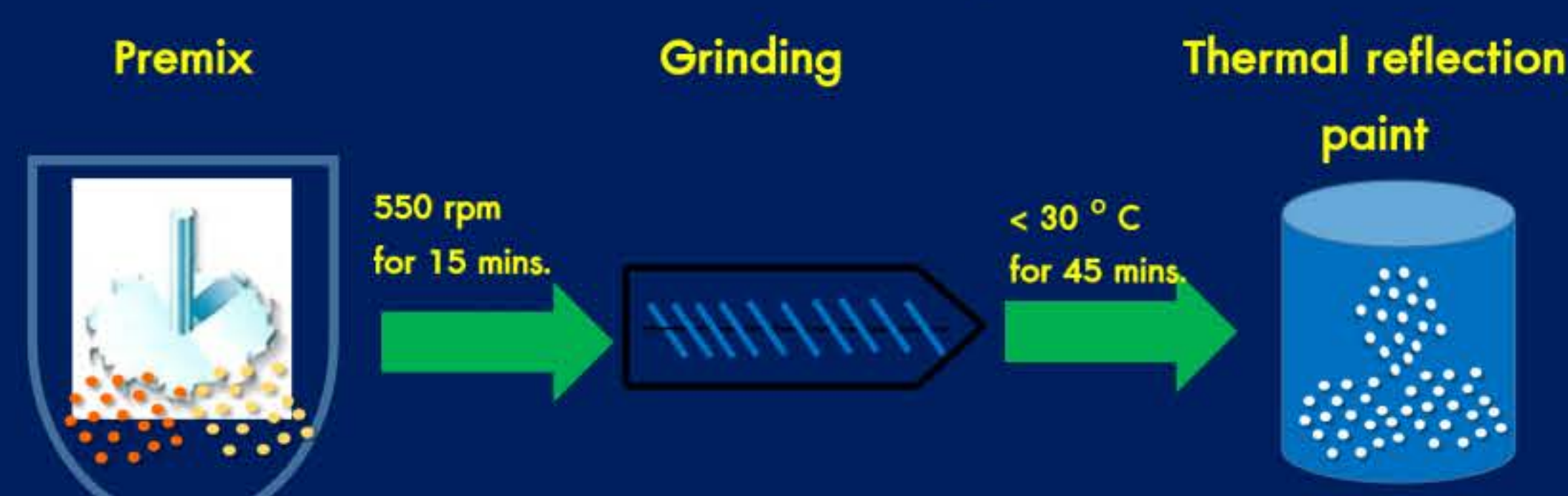


Fig.3 Schematic representation of the thermal reflection paints by grinding process.

Thermal performance



Fig.4 Schematic representation of the apparatus developed for exposure to IR radiation (ASTM E 903) .

III. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Characterization

XRD

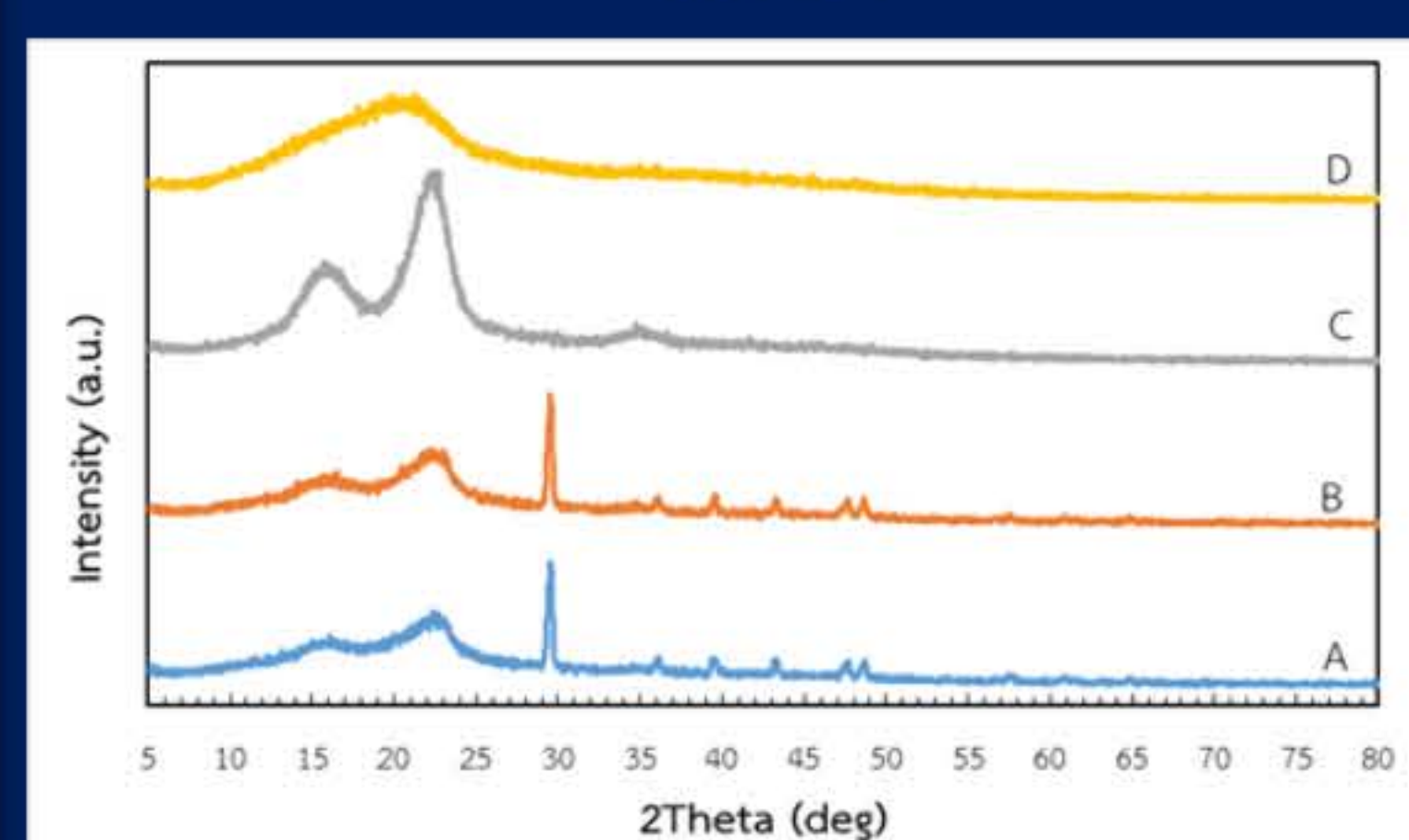
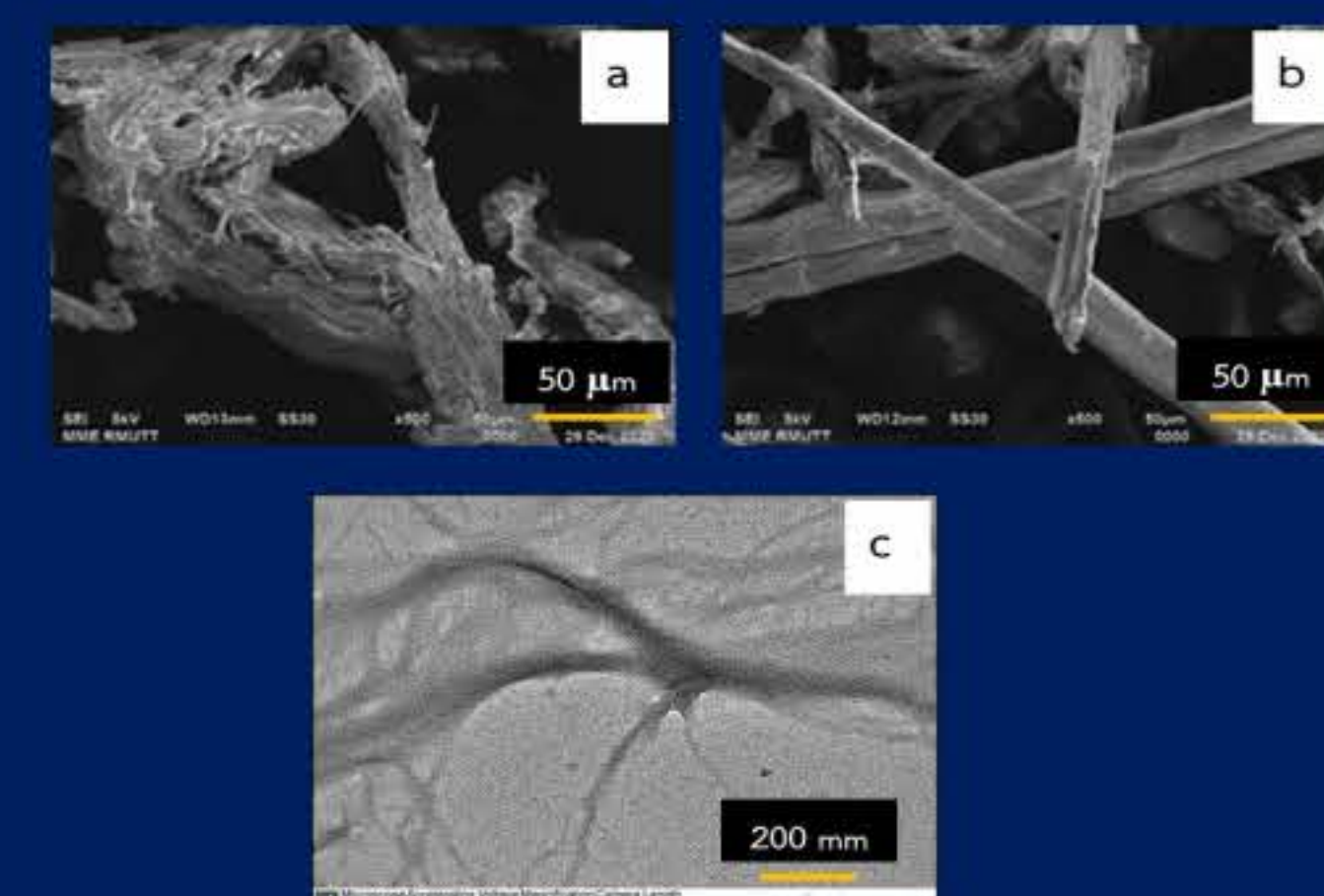


Fig.5 XRD pattern of the natural bamboo prepared by hydrolysis process for 60 °C at 2 hrs.

SEM



Figs.6 SEM image of the natural bamboo after grinding (a, b) and (c) nano cellulose prepared by hydrolysis process and after grinding by TEM.

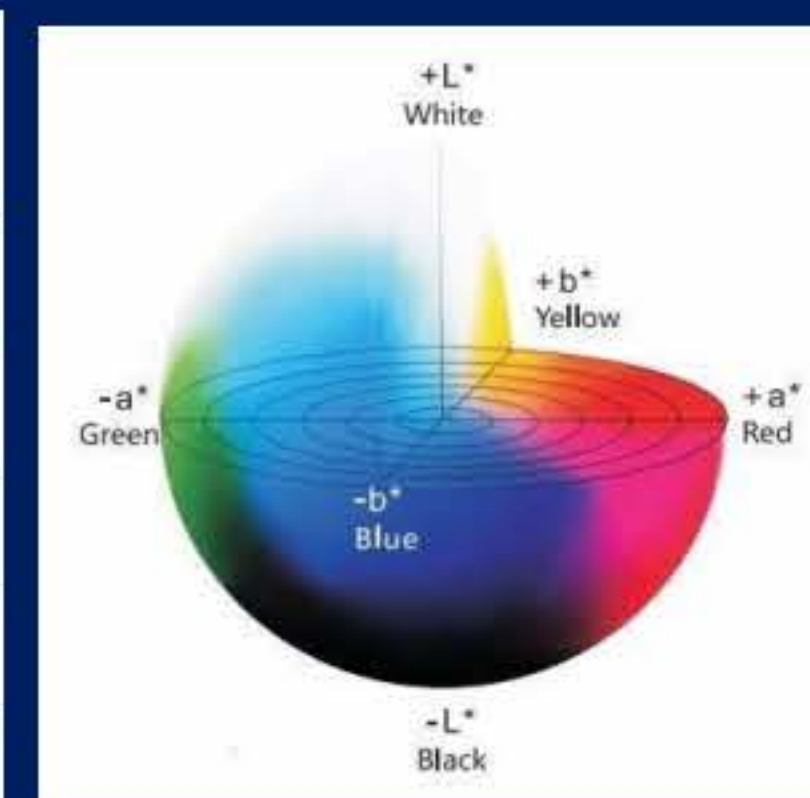
Application properties

Table 1 Physical properties of thermal reflection paints.

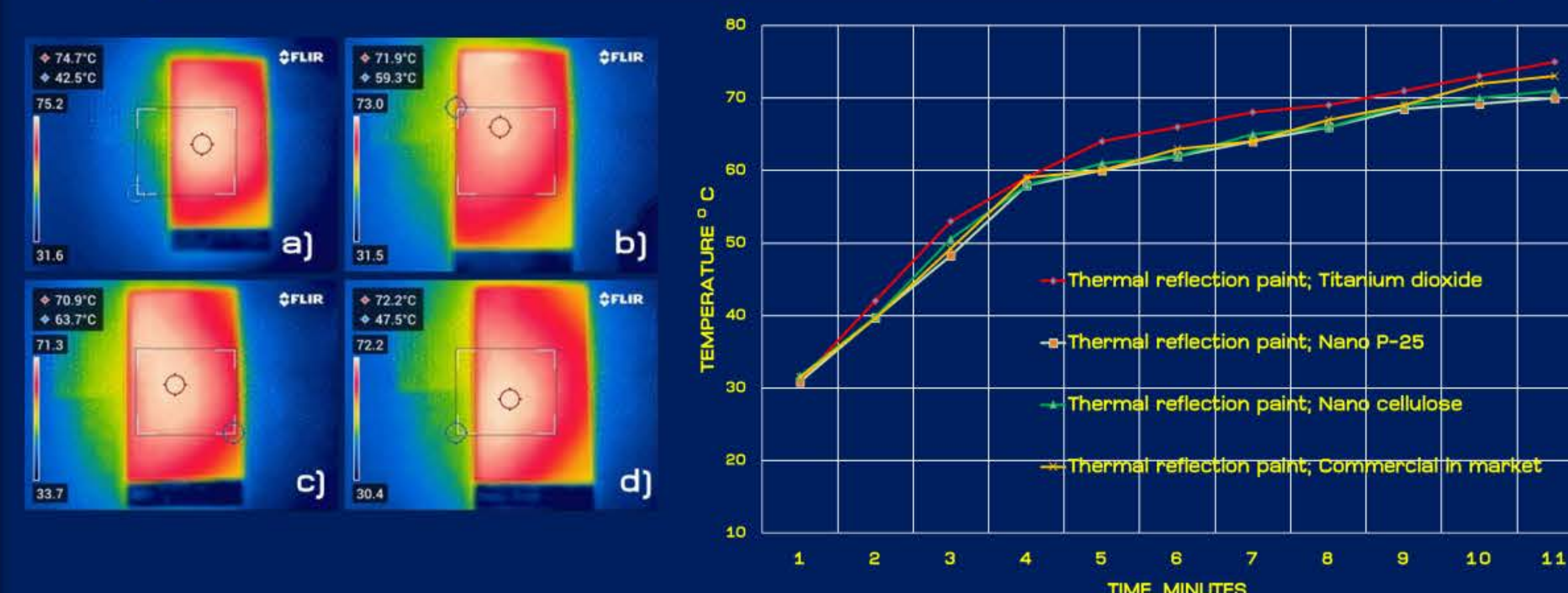
| Type | Density (g/cm ³) ASTM D1963 | Viscosity (K.U) ASTM D562 | Non volatile (%) ASTM D2832 | Hiding power (%) ASTM D344 |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Titanium dioxide | 1.174 | 78.0 | 46.8 | 91.0 |
| Nano P-25 | 1.144 | 88.0 | 45.0 | 87.0 |
| Nano Cellulose | 1.140 | 83.0 | 45.0 | 88.0 |
| Commercial in market | 1.214 | 94.0 | 46.7 | 97.4 |

Table 2 The CIE Lab value of thermal reflection paints (ASTM D 2244).

| Type | Color coordinate D65, 10 ° | | |
|----------------------|----------------------------|-------|------|
| | L | a* | b* |
| Titanium dioxide | 96.78 | -0.69 | 1.24 |
| Nano P-25 | 96.48 | -0.63 | 2.38 |
| Nano Cellulose | 96.85 | -0.68 | 1.31 |
| Commercial in market | 97.76 | -0.72 | 0.72 |



Thermal performance properties



Figs. 7 Temperature back side surface of thermal reflection paints.

Field Test in next time



IV. CONCLUSION

- The natural bamboo can synthesize nanoparticles through the hydrolysis process.
- Thermal reflection paint using nanocellulose contains a small particle size, which also acts as a barrier and can reduce the surface temperature of the tin plate.
- Passively decreasing the building's heating load consumption was achieved by a possible roof and wall improvement using nanocellulose in thermal reflection paint.

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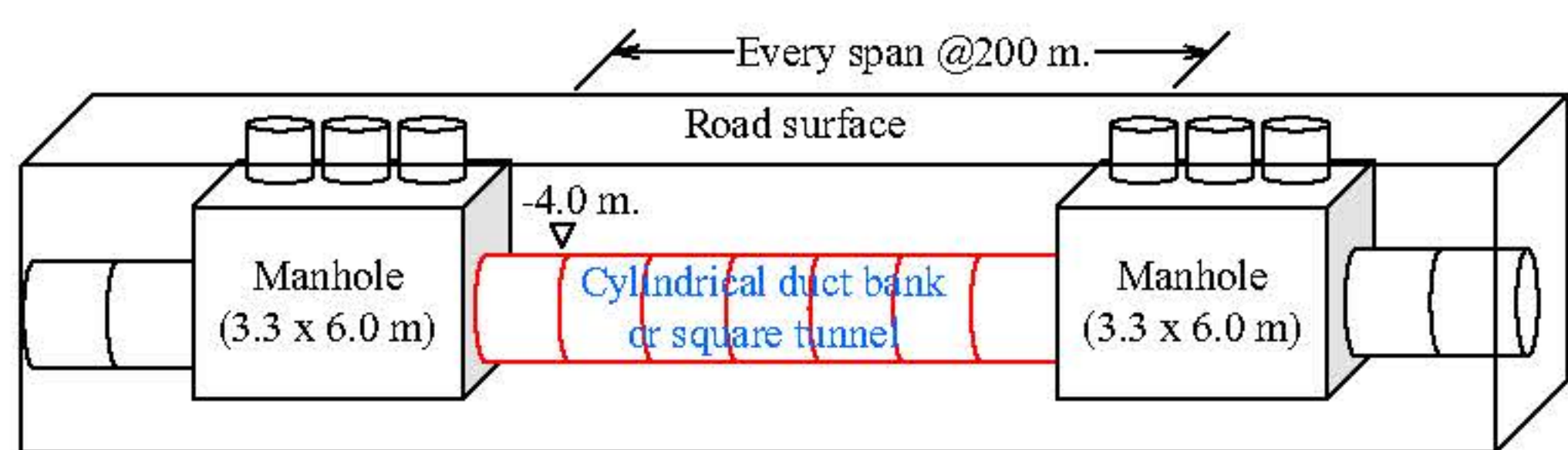
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2. การก่อสร้างมีผลกระทบต่อผู้ใช้ทางสาธารณะ
3. ลดงานก่อสร้างโดยเพิ่มประสิทธิภาพของสายไฟฟ้า



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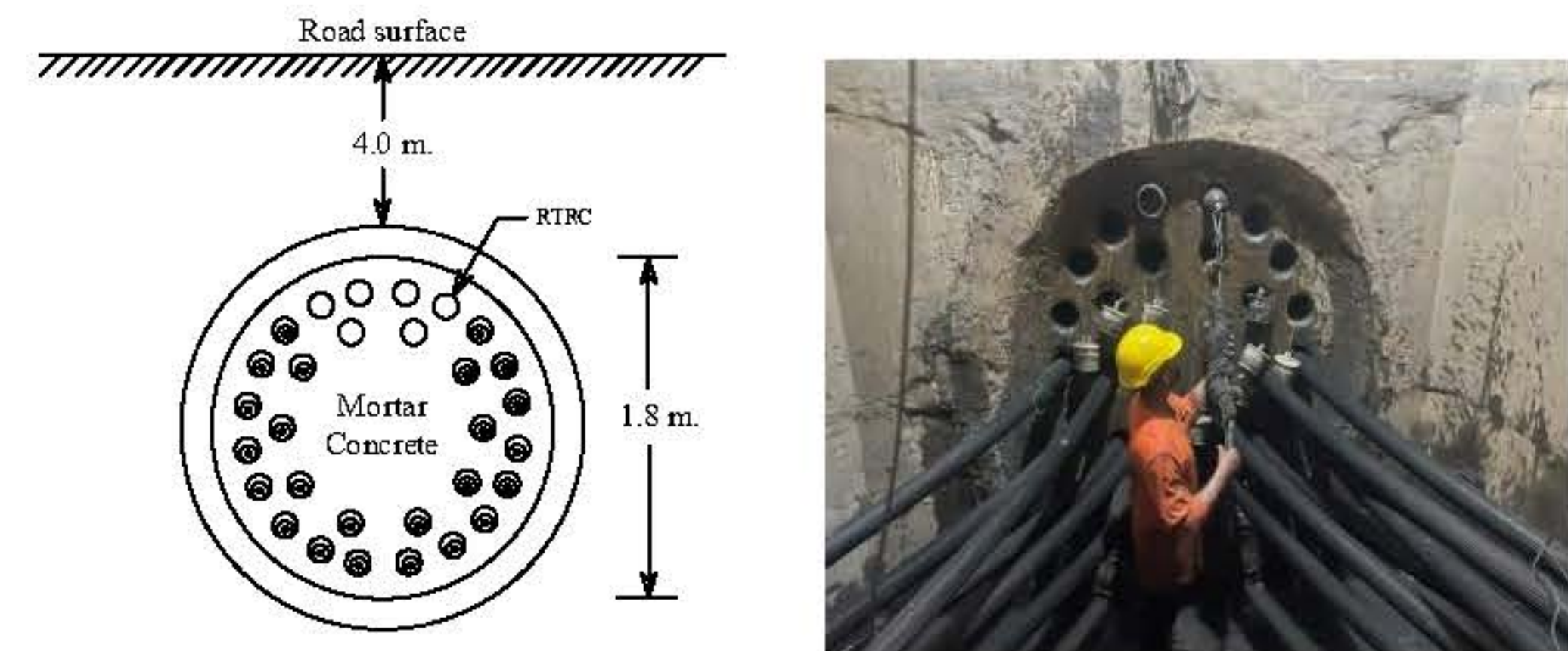
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1. ศึกษาและออกแบบพร้อมเสนอแบบก่อสร้างท่อร้อยสายแบบใหม่
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5. เปรียบเทียบต้นทุนการก่อสร้างระบบไฟฟ้าใต้ดินในท่อร้อยสายแบบต่าง ๆ
6. เปรียบเทียบระยะเวลาการก่อสร้าง ช่วงตั้งแต่เริ่มเปิดผิวจราจรจนถึงขั้นตอนคืนผิวจราจรถาวร ของท่อร้อยสายแบบต่าง ๆ

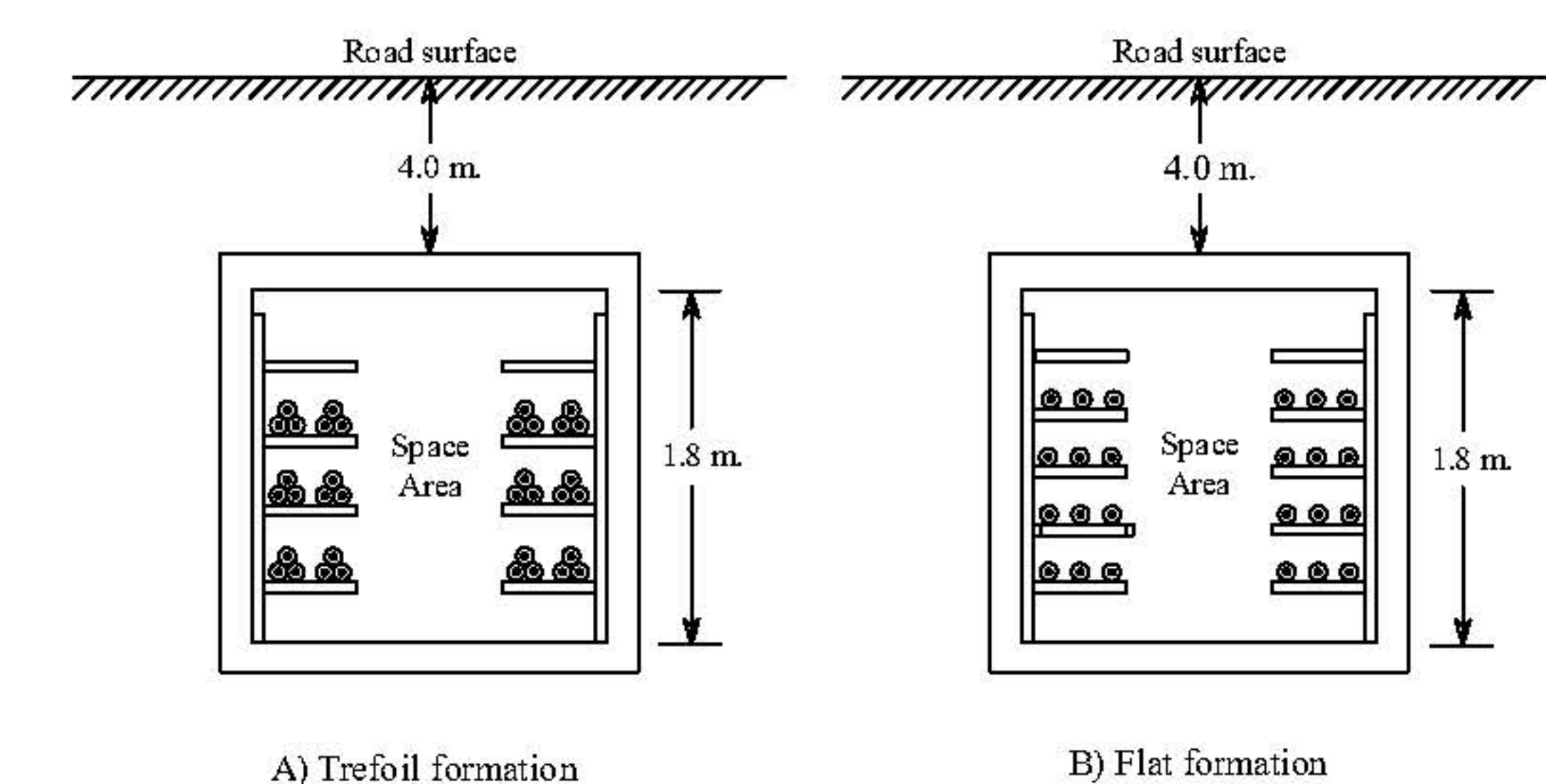


ภาพที่ 2 รูปแบบท่อร้อยสายไฟฟ้าใต้ดิน

จากภาพที่ 2 เป็นรูปแบบท่อร้อยสายไฟฟ้าใต้ดิน ที่ก่อสร้างด้วยวิธี Pipe Jacking ซึ่งงานวิจัยนี้พิจารณาท่อร้อยสายแบบ Cylindrical duct bank ซึ่งเป็นรูปแบบดั้งเดิม และนำเสนอแบบ Square tunnel ซึ่งเป็นรูปแบบใหม่ มีรายละเอียดดังภาพที่ 3 และภาพที่ 4



ภาพที่ 3 Cylindrical duct bank (ใช้งานในปัจจุบัน)



ภาพที่ 4 Square tunnel (รูปแบบที่นำเสนอ)

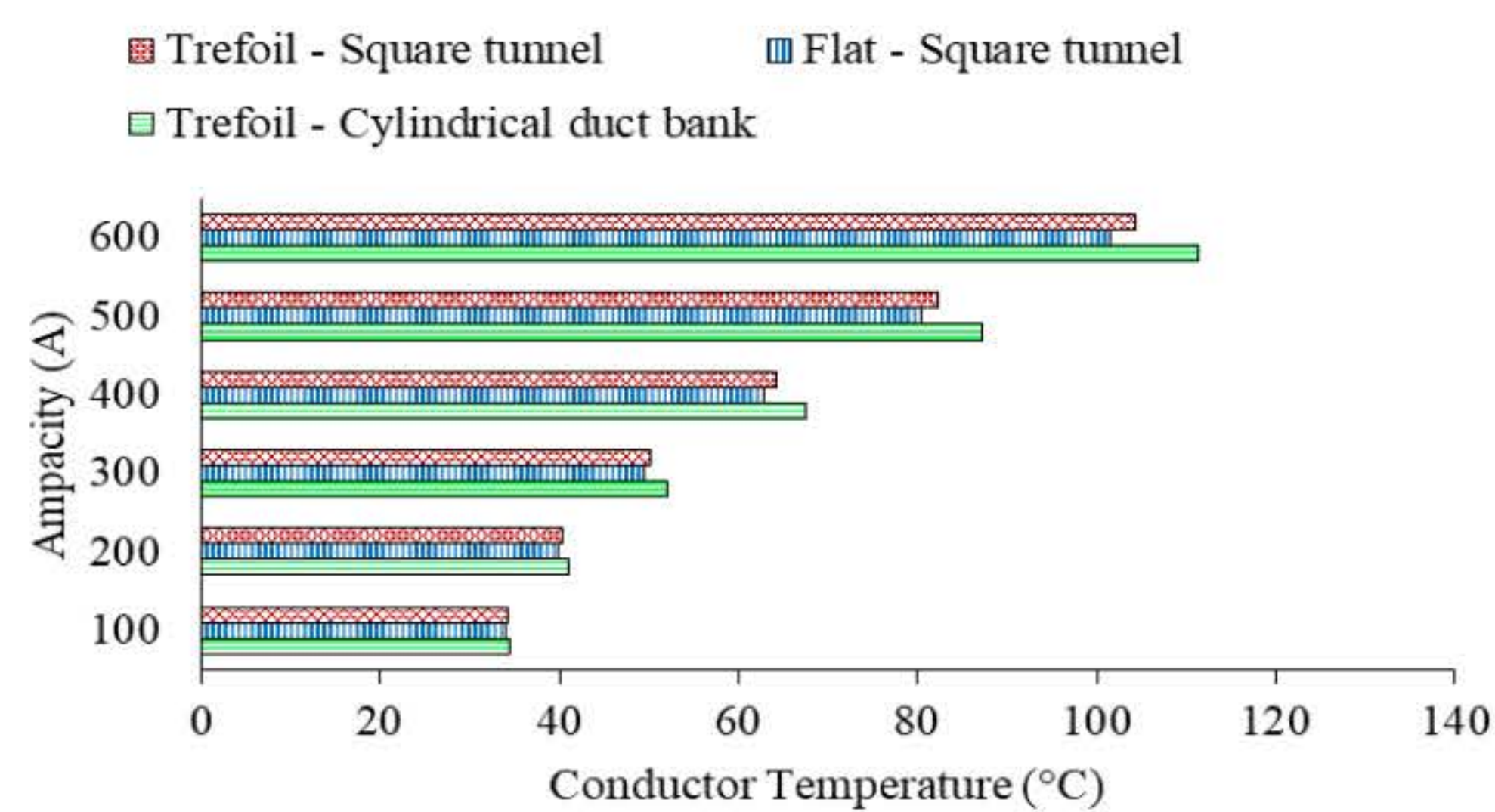
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จากการศึกษาและออกแบบพร้อมนำเสนอแบบก่อสร้างท่อร้อยสาย นำไปสู่การจำลองความร้อนเพื่อศึกษาผลกระทบต่อกระแสของสายไฟฟ้าใต้ดินที่ติดตั้งในท่อร้อยสายแบบต่าง ๆ ด้วยวิธีไฟไนต์เอลิเมนต์ ซึ่งได้ผลการวิจัยดังนี้

1. กระแสของสายไฟฟ้าที่ได้จากการจำลองความร้อนด้วยไฟไนต์เอลิเมนต์ของสายไฟฟ้าใต้ดินที่ติดตั้งในท่อร้อยสายแบบต่าง ๆ ในสภาวะไม่มีน้ำท่วมสายไฟฟ้า นำเสนอได้ดังนี้

ตารางที่ 1 กระแสของสายไฟฟ้า ในสภาวะไม่มีน้ำท่วมสายไฟฟ้า

| Number of conductors | Ampacity (A) | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------|------|---------------|
| | Cylindrical duct bank | | Square tunnel |
| | Trefoil | Flat | Trefoil |
| 6 | 829 | 748 | 725 |
| 12 | 669 | 652 | 637 |
| 18 | 570 | 532 | 520 |
| 24 | 509 | 494 | 483 |
| 30 | - | - | 426 |
| 36 | - | - | 405 |

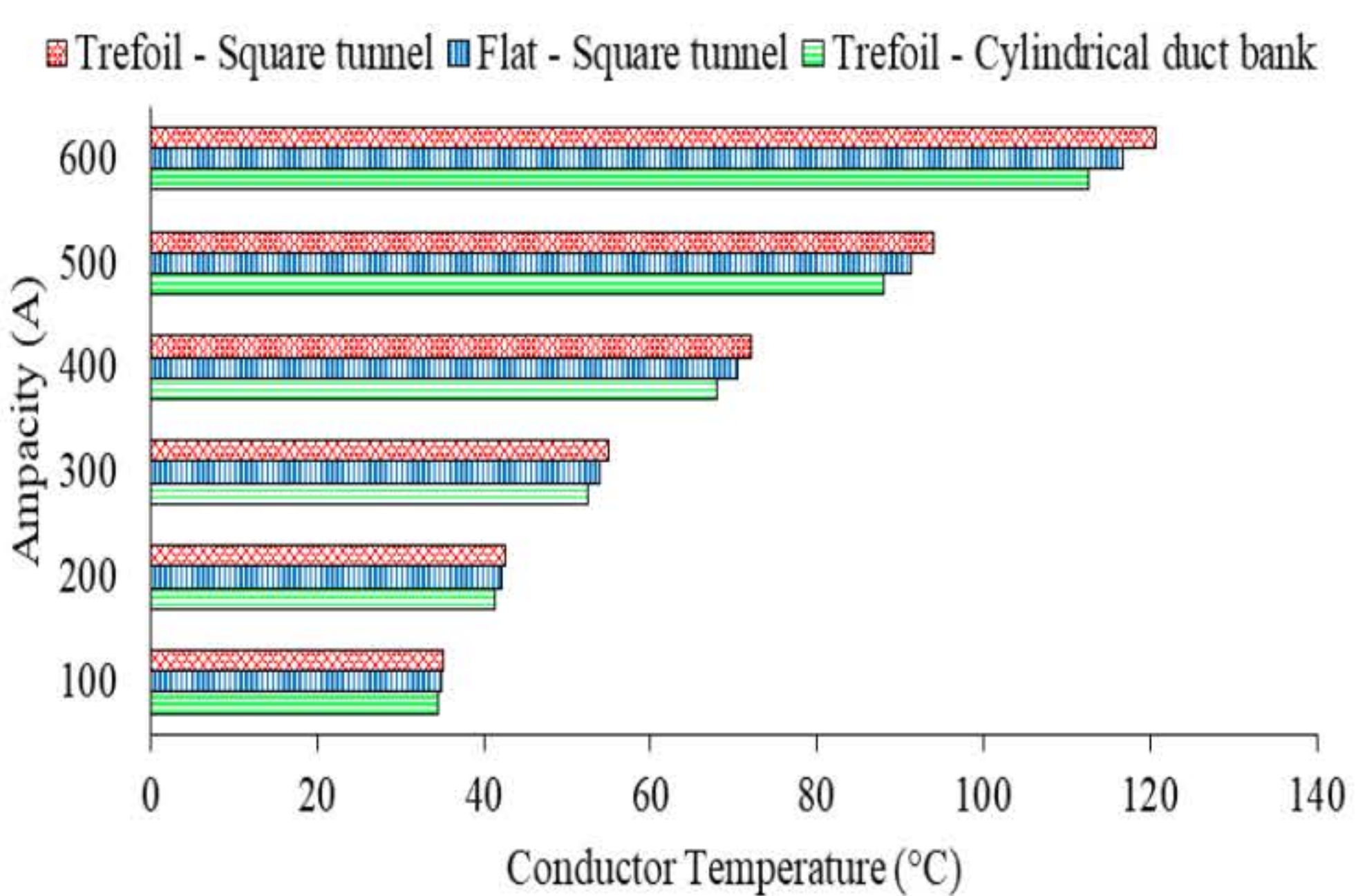


ภาพที่ 5 อุณหภูมิตัวนำที่ขนาดกระแสต่าง ๆ ในสภาวะไม่มีน้ำท่วม

2. กระแสของสายไฟฟ้าที่ได้จากการจำลองความร้อนด้วยไฟไนต์เอลิเมนต์ของสายไฟฟ้าใต้ดินที่ติดตั้งในท่อร้อยสายแบบต่าง ๆ ในสภาวะที่มีน้ำท่วมสายไฟฟ้า นำเสนอได้ดังนี้

ตารางที่ 2 กระแสของสายไฟฟ้า ในสภาวะที่มีน้ำท่วมสายไฟฟ้า

| Number of conductor | Ampacity (A) | | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-------|---------------|
| | Cylindrical duct bank | | Square tunnel |
| | Trefoil | Flat | Trefoil |
| 6 | 912 | 1,112 | 1,108 |
| 12 | 697 | 811 | 810 |
| 18 | 590 | 668 | 600 |
| 24 | 523 | 579 | 577 |
| 30 | - | - | 478 |
| 36 | - | - | 445 |



ภาพที่ 6 อุณหภูมิตัวนำที่ขนาดกระแสต่าง ๆ ในสภาวะที่มีน้ำท่วม

3. ต้นทุนค่าก่อสร้างระบบไฟฟ้าใต้ดินของสายไฟฟ้าที่ติดตั้งในท่อร้อยสายแบบ Cylindrical duct bank และแบบ Square tunnel ซึ่งก่อสร้างท่อร้อยสายโดยวิธี Pipe Jacking ที่ระดับลึกจากผิวจราจรถึงหลังท่อร้อยสาย ระยะ 4.00 เมตร ซึ่งการคำนวณต้นทุนระบบไฟฟ้าใต้ดิน คิดเฉพาะต้นทุนทางตรงที่ระยะทาง 1,000 เมตร ซึ่งสามารถแสดงได้ดังตารางที่ 3

ตารางที่ 3 เปรียบเทียบต้นทุนค่าก่อสร้างระบบไฟฟ้าใต้ดิน

| Description | Cost (Baht) | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| | Cylindrical duct bank | Square tunnel |
| Design | 175,000 | 175,000 |
| Topographic survey | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| Traffic management | 350,000 | 350,000 |
| Manhole work | 18,764,000 | 18,764,000 |
| Pipe jacking work | 35,260,000 | 40,640,000 |
| Inner duct (RTRC) | 11,720,000 | - |
| Grouting work | 9,590,000 | - |
| Cable racks | - | 3,960,000 |
| Cable cleats | - | 16,400,400 |
| Pavement | 791,000 | 791,000 |
| Summary cost | 76,750,000 | 81,180,000 |
| Cost per circuit | 19,187,500 | 13,530,000 |

4. ระยะเวลาการก่อสร้าง ช่วงที่ทำการก่อสร้างท่อร้อยสายไฟฟ้า เริ่มตั้งแต่สกัดเปิดผิวจราจรจนกระทั่งคืนผิวจราจรถาวรแล้วเสร็จ คิดเฉพาะงานก่อสร้างด้านโยธาที่ส่งผลกระทบต่อจราจรและส่งผลกระทบต่อผู้ใช้เส้นทาง พบว่าการก่อสร้างท่อร้อยสายแบบ Square tunnel สามารถคืนผิวจราจรถาวรได้เร็วกว่าแบบ Cylindrical duct bank ซึ่งนำเสนอได้ดังตารางที่ 4

ตารางที่ 4 เปรียบเทียบระยะเวลาการก่อสร้างด้านโยธา

| Description | Construction Period (Day) | | | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|------|------|------|------|
| | MH.1 | MH.2 | MH.3 | MH.4 | MH.5 |
| Cylindrical duct bank | 85 | 85 | 85 | 85 | 425 |
| Square tunnel | 65 | 65 | 65 | 65 | 325 |

สรุปผลการวิจัย

การวิเคราะห์ผลกระทบทางความร้อนของสายไฟฟ้าแรงสูงใต้ดินในท่อร้อยสายแบบต่าง ๆ สามารถสรุปผลการวิจัยได้ดังนี้

1. ในสภาวะที่ไม่มีน้ำท่วมสายไฟฟ้า สายไฟฟ้าที่ติดตั้งใน Cylindrical duct bank จะรับภาระกระแสได้สูงที่สุด ในขณะที่การจัดเรียงสายแบบ Trefoil ใน Square tunnel จะรับภาระกระแสได้ต่ำที่สุด
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3. การไฟฟ้านครหลวง ใช้สายส่งไฟฟ้า ขนาด 800 ตร.ม. จำนวน 6 เส้นต่อวงจร ซึ่ง Cylindrical duct bank สามารถรองรับได้จำนวน 4 วงจร ในขณะที่ Square tunnel จัดเรียงสายแบบ Flat ได้จำนวน 4 วงจร และจัดเรียงสายแบบ Trefoil ได้จำนวน 6 วงจร
4. ต้นทุนค่าก่อสร้างระบบไฟฟ้าใต้ดิน ด้วยวิธี Pipe Jacking โดยใช้แบบ Square tunnel จะมีต้นทุนค่าก่อสร้างสูงกว่าแบบ Cylindrical duct bank 5.77% ในทางกลับกันหากเปรียบเทียบต้นทุนต่อวงจร จะพบว่าแบบ Square tunnel มีต้นทุนต่อวงจรถูกกว่า 29.49%
5. ระยะเวลาการก่อสร้างของท่อร้อยสาย แบบ Square tunnel สามารถคืนผิวจราจรถาวรได้เร็วขึ้น 23.53%

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Performance Analysis and Econometric Assessment of A Community Waste Power Plant Biogas System

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Rationale

1. To perform a techno-economic analysis and assessment of the first community waste power plant (biogas) system in Thailand.
2. The potential Capability of the biogas plant to operate as a sustainable, safe and clean alternative energy system within the human community (Onnut).
3. To determine the most efficient and effective energy cost operation between the grid-biomass network and grid-biomass-storage network configurations.
4. To utilize food scraps (highest solid wastes composition) within the community in generating electricity to support the grid system.

Problem statement

1. Energy demand variation.
2. Biomass energy fraction and penetration on grid system.
3. Techno-economical reliability of the integrated grid-biogas-storage network system.
4. Flexibility issue and storage control against capacity shortage.
5. Wastes to Energy Conversion and utilization.

Introduction

The impact of hybrid energy sources (biomass energy, nuclear power plant, thermal power plant, solar power, wind power plant, and hydroelectricity) from energy production (generation), energy regulation (transmission stations and distribution stations), energy control measure (control center system) and energy conversion process (energy storage system: batteries, capacitors, ultracapacitors, and flywheel) makes power system network flexible enough to accommodate excessive energy demand (power consumers: smart cities and smart houses) and provide support towards the utility grid system in overcoming congestions, capacity shortage from energy sources and unmet load, respectively. Hence, the need for ancillary services from renewable energy systems integration with the grid network to reduce toxic emission into the society, maintain safe and clean energy production and providing a standby generator (backup stable secondary energy source: biomass generator, hydropower, and hybrid storage system) against power fluctuation from the main (primary) energy sources is essential to maintain a continuous energy flow network.

This present research adopted a community waste power plant biogas system in Thailand that will maintain a sustainable, safe, and alternative clean energy system for the human environment when it is integrated with the utility grid system and hybrid storage system, respectively. A standby operation (secondary energy source) from the biomass generator will maintain a backup power plan with the storage system (Lithium-ion, Li-NEC and Zinc bromide batteries) against the unreliable grid network when unexpected outage, grid schedule and congestion occur from the grid network.

Methodology

1. The potential resources (biomass) for the case study area (Onnut) will be obtained from data record of Onnut community.
2. Mathematical modelling of the energy system components (Grid system, biomass generator, batteries and power converter).
3. Experimental model (grid-forming and grid following) of the biogas-grid system network of Onnut community and simulation model application of HOMER PRO Microgrid analysis for the hybrid network.

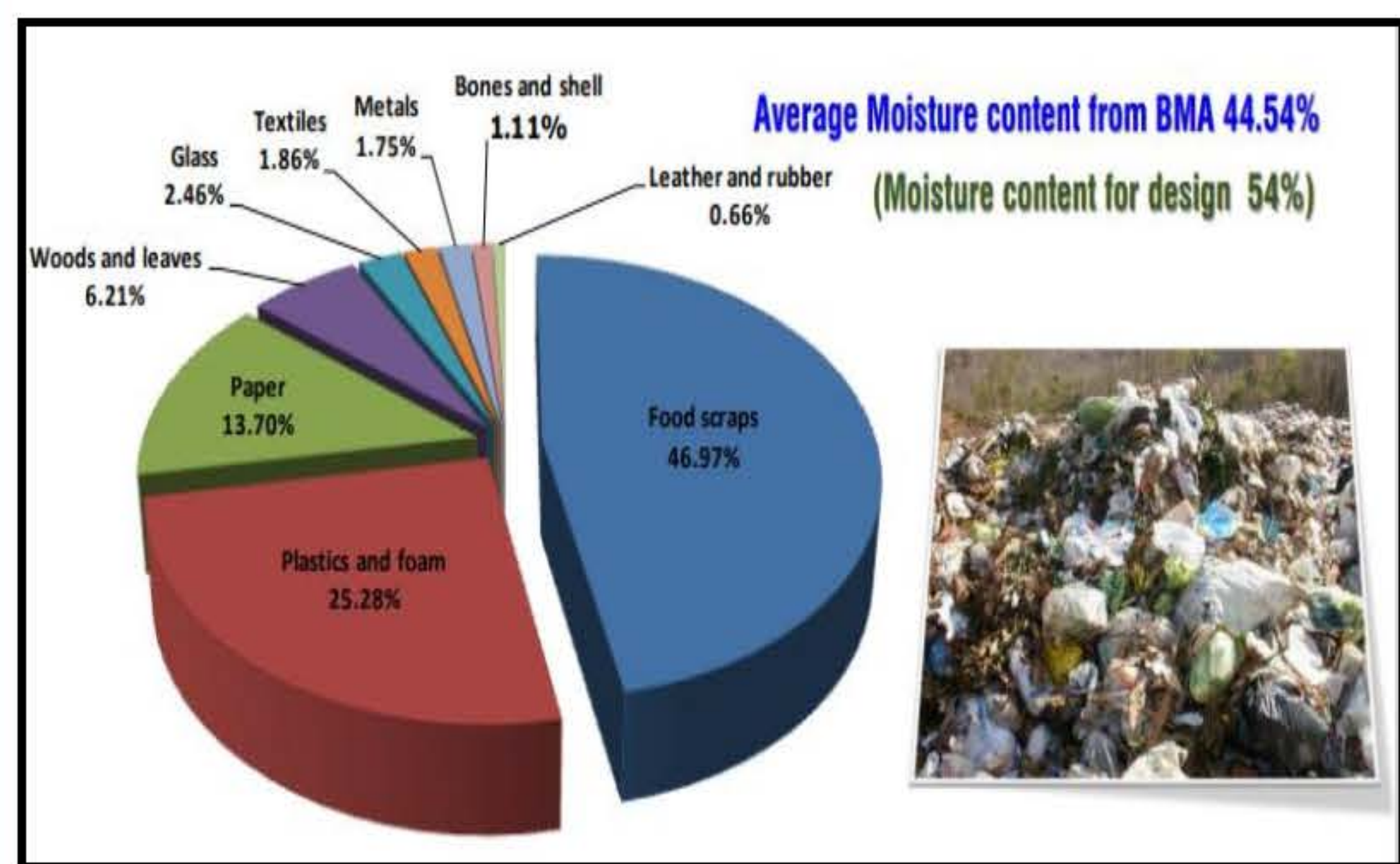


Fig1: Onnut Community: Research Sub-Division, Solid waste, Hazardous waste and Night soil Management Division, Department of Environment, BMA (Bangkok Metropolitan Area).

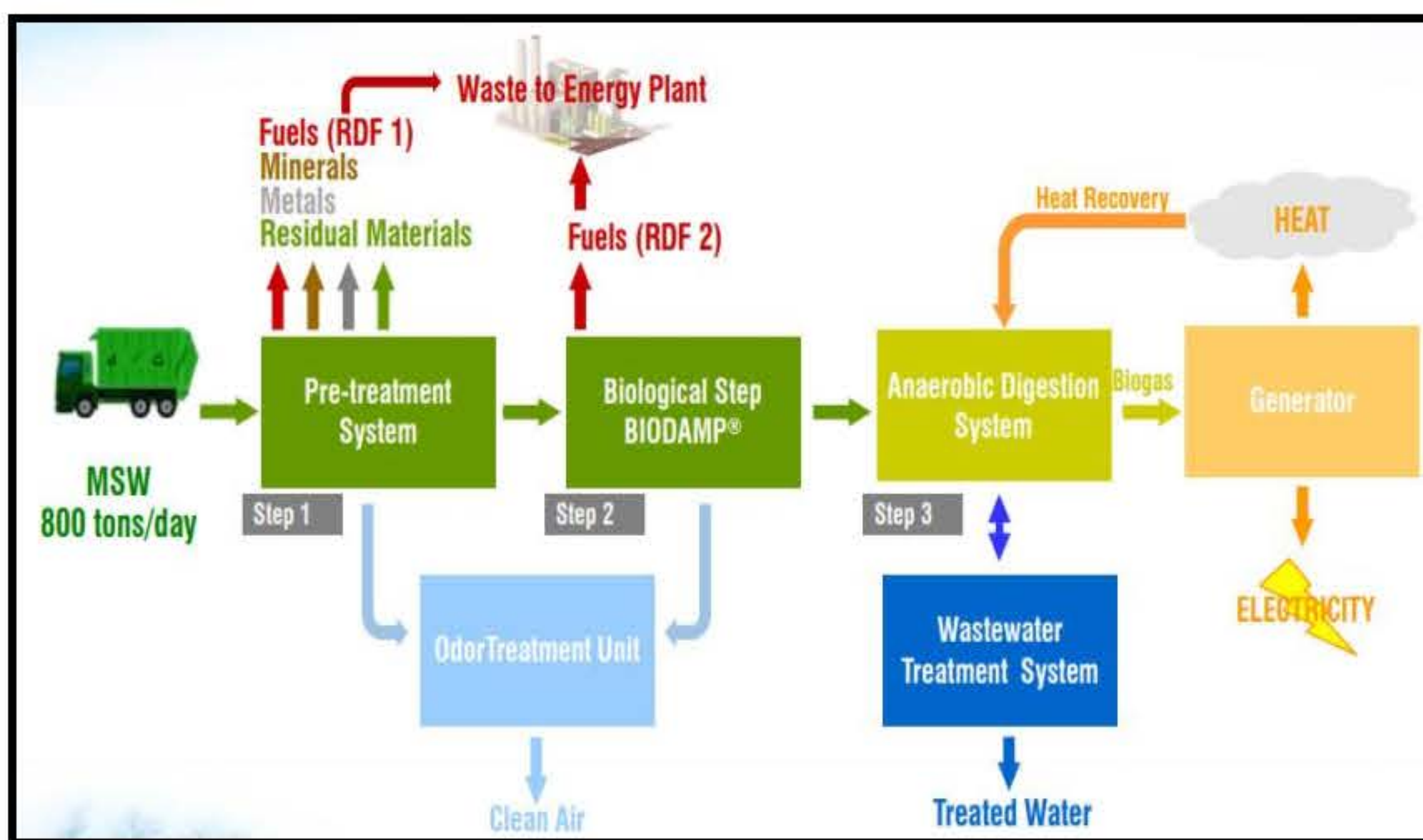


Fig 2: Current Waste to Energy Conversion Technology from Onnut Community

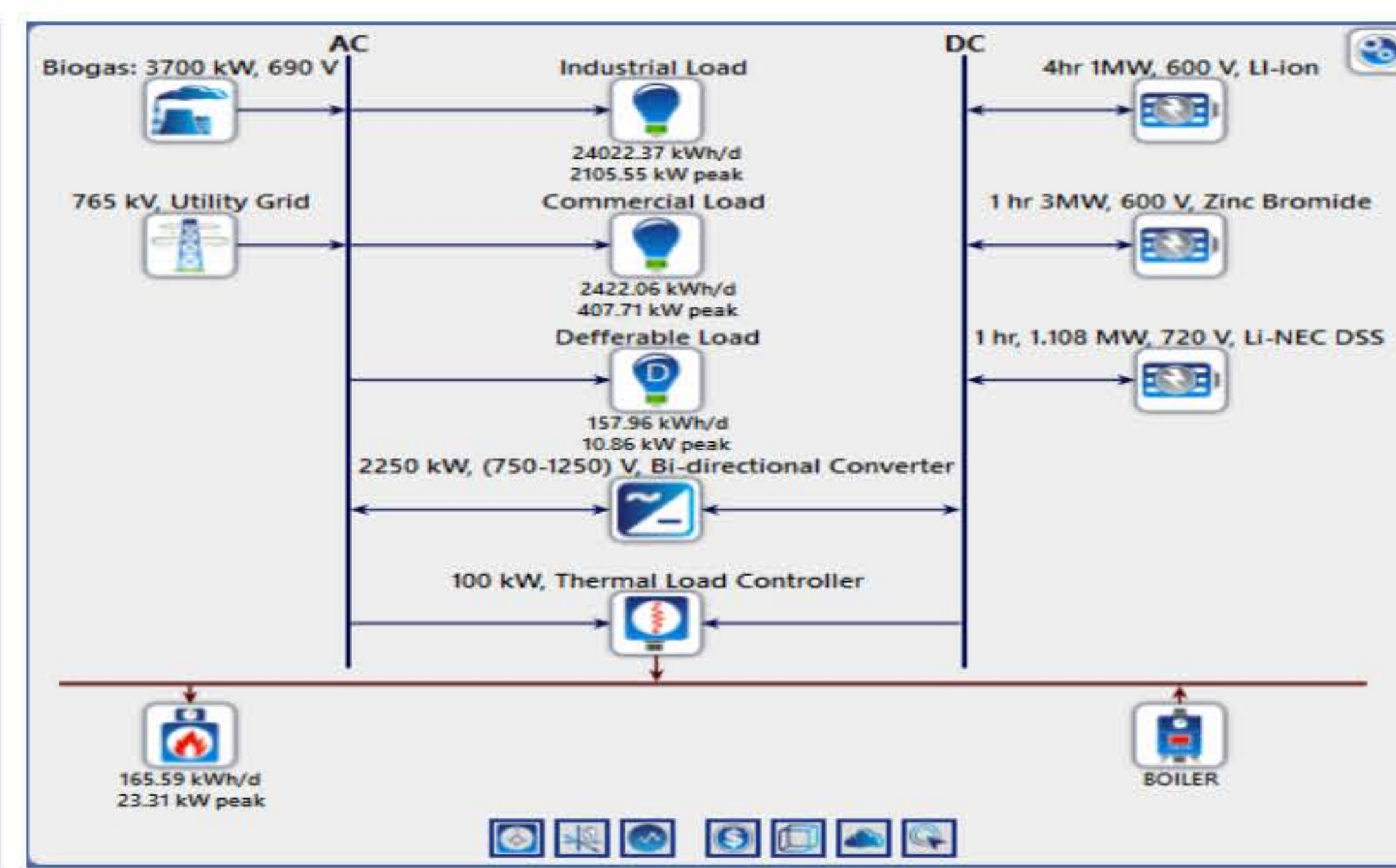


Fig 3: Proposed Waste to Energy Conversion Technology Design for Onnut Community

Result and Discussion

The econometric assessment and performance analysis of the first community waste power plant biogas system integration with the utility grid and hybrid storage system (Li-ion, Li-NEC, and ZnBr batteries) in Thailand was carried out through a novel investigation of a dynamic multi-task control system (cycle charging and load following control systems) that interfaced over the biomass gasifier-utility grid energy system, off-grid biomass gasifier-storage energy system and biomass gasifier-utility grid-storage energy system operational modes effectively to serve the load fully. The utility grid-biomass gasifier-generator-storage energy system configuration adopted cycle charging and load following control systems with a thermal load controller (to limit the amount of current the load can draw from the energy sources) while the off-grid biomass gasifier-generator-storage energy system configuration adopted cycle charging and thermal load controller strategy to determine the best reliable, efficient, and cost minimization system.

The off-grid energy system recorded ZnBr battery as producing the highest output energy (5,335,103 kWh/yr) over Li-ion battery (3,125,919 kWh/yr), thereby, consuming more energy (5,927,893 kWh/yr) than Li-ion energy (3,468,114 kWh/yr) system. The grid connected mode of the integrated biogas-storage network indicated that Li-ion battery consumed (288,925 kWh/yr) and gave out (263,173 kWh/yr) more energy than the ZnBr input (72,231 kWh/yr) and output (65,767 kWh/yr) energies. The Li-NEC battery maintained its maximum state of charge (100 %) with no inflow and outflow of energy.

Performing the econometric analysis of the entire system, the integrated grid-biogas-storage system estimated the Li-NEC network configuration as the most economically efficient system with the highest internal rate of return, IRR: 899 %, return on investment, ROI: 856 %, payback period: 0.11 year over the Li-ion network configuration with IRR: 620 %, ROI: 588 %, payback period: 0.16 year and ZnBr network system with IRR: 518 %, ROI: 489 % with payback period: 0.19 year. The off-grid network shows that the ZnBr network configuration as the only economically feasible network system with IRR: 20 %, ROI: 23 % and payback period of 3.7 years while Li-ion and Li-NEC network systems are not economically feasible.



Conclusion

Storage Management System

The ZnBr battery gave out more energy (5,335,103 kWh/yr) than Li-ion battery (3,125,919 kWh/yr) and in turn consumed more energy (5,927,893 kWh/yr) than Li-ion battery (3,468,114 kWh/yr) at the off-grid operational mode.

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Flexible Operation

The unreliable utility grid and stable DC power sources (batteries) received support from the stable AC power source (biomass gasifier generator).

The utility grid system can send excess electricity to the hybrid storage system and storage load, respectively.

The utility grid system can also receive excess electricity from the stable AC power (biomass generator) and DC power (batteries) sources after serving the load fully.

Multiple Control Strategy

The Cycle Charging strategy enables the utility grid network to feed the load and allows the biogas generator to charge the batteries fully.

The Load following strategy allows the utility grid and biogas generator to operate simultaneously against capacity shortage from the power sources and feed the load to produce excess electricity.

The biomass generator's penetration was greater than the grid's penetration. There was no shortage in capacity from the energy sources at the grid and off-grid modes and the loads were fully met.

Grid sales was dominant over the grid purchase at the grid configurations' set up.

Econometrics Analysis

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In overall, the grid connected system is more technically and economically feasible than the off-grid (biogas-storage system configuration).

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The IRR: Internal Rate of Return and ROI: Return on Investment was feasible under the operation of biogas generator with Zinc bromide and lithium-ion batteries only when the microgrid system was disconnected from the utility grid network. The Li-NEC distribution storage system was not feasible economically and technically at the off-grid mode.



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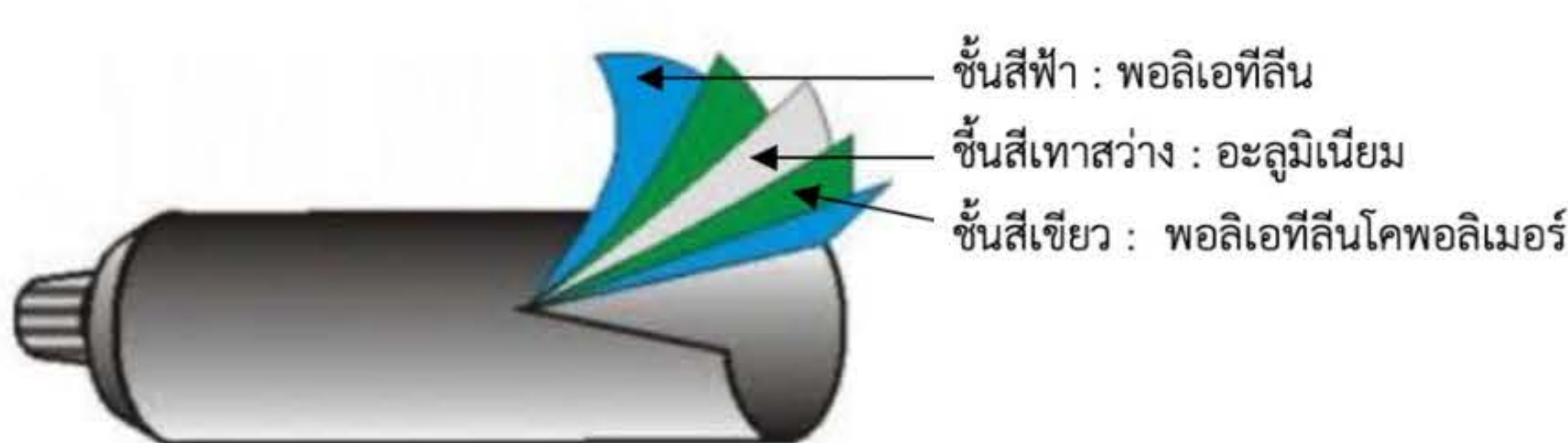
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บทนำ

หลอดยาสีฟันเมื่อพิจารณาจากภายนอกจะไม่สามารถรู้ได้เลยว่ามีส่วนประกอบอะไรบ้าง ในรูปที่ 1 แสดงถึงองค์ประกอบที่สำคัญของวัสดุที่นำมาผลิตเป็นหลอดยาสีฟัน ซึ่งประกอบไปด้วยชั้นของวัสดุหลากหลายชนิดทั้งพลาสติกและโลหะ เช่น พอลิเอทิลีน, พอลิเอทิลีนโคพอลิเมอร์ และชั้นของอะลูมิเนียม ซึ่งวัสดุเหล่านี้จะทำหน้าที่เป็นบรรจุภัณฑ์ที่รักษาคุณภาพของยาสีฟันให้มีความคงทน รสชาติ และควบคุมคุณภาพของเนื้อยาสีฟันให้มีความสดใหม่ เมื่อเป็นขยะแล้ววิธีการกำจัดส่วนใหญ่จะเป็นรูปแบบของการฝังกลบไม่สามารถรีไซเคิลหรือนำกลับมาใช้ใหม่เนื่องจากมีส่วนประกอบของวัสดุที่หลากหลายจึงถูกจัดให้อยู่ในกลุ่มของขยะกำพวด (ขยะที่ไม่สามารถรีไซเคิลได้) จากข้อมูลทางด้านสิ่งแวดล้อมมีการนำเสนอมูลขยะจากหลอดยาสีฟันในหนึ่งปีที่สหรัฐอเมริกา พบว่ามีขยะที่เกิดจากหลอดยาสีฟัน 1,000 ล้านชิ้น และอังกฤษมีขยะหลอดยาสีฟัน 300 ล้านกว่าชิ้น และมีการประมาณการว่าถ้านำเอาหลอดยาสีฟัน 300 ล้านชิ้นมาเรียงต่อกันจะมีความยาวประมาณ 75,000 กิโลเมตร ซึ่งสามารถพันรอบโลกได้ 2 รอบ จากตัวอย่างข้อมูลของปริมาณขยะจากหลอดยาสีฟันทำให้นักวิจัยจำนวนประชากรในประเทศไทยจำนวน 80 ล้านคน จะมีจำนวนขยะเหล่านี้เหลือทิ้งอยู่ในปริมาณเท่าไร หรือพิจารณาไปถึงกระบวนการผลิตหลอดยาสีฟันจะมีปริมาณขยะอุตสาหกรรมที่เหลือทิ้งอีกจำนวนเท่าไร และแน่นอนว่าปริมาณของขยะจากบรรจุภัณฑ์จะมีการเพิ่มปริมาณขึ้นตามการขยายตัวของประชากร ซึ่งจะก่อให้เกิดปัญหาขยะจากบรรจุภัณฑ์ที่ใช้แล้วหรือขยะที่เหลือทิ้งจากกระบวนการผลิตบรรจุภัณฑ์เหล่านี้มากขึ้นไปด้วย และในปัจจุบันปัญหาเหล่านี้ส่งผลกระทบต่อสิ่งแวดล้อม ดังนั้นการศึกษาวิจัยในกระบวนการนำขยะอุตสาหกรรมที่เหลือทิ้งจากบรรจุภัณฑ์หลอดยาสีฟันที่สะอาดยังไม่ได้มีการแปรรูปเพื่อรีไซเคิลกลับมาใช้ใหม่ในรูปแบบของผลิตภัณฑ์ชนิดอื่นโดยไม่ก่อมลพิษ จะสามารถลดปัญหาด้านสิ่งแวดล้อมไปได้มาก รวมทั้งส่งเสริมการสร้างแพลตฟอร์มการพัฒนาธุรกิจรูปแบบเศรษฐกิจหมุนเวียน การพัฒนาเทคโนโลยีและนวัตกรรมการใช้วัตถุดิบรอบสองเพื่อสร้างมูลค่าเพิ่มในระดับอุตสาหกรรมหมุนเวียน สร้างกระบวนการพัฒนาปัจจัยเชื้อ ข้อมูลฐาน และมาตรฐานด้านเศรษฐกิจหมุนเวียน เพื่อให้เกิดการกระบวนการหรือการตระหนักถึงการอยู่กับสิ่งแวดล้อมได้อย่างยั่งยืน

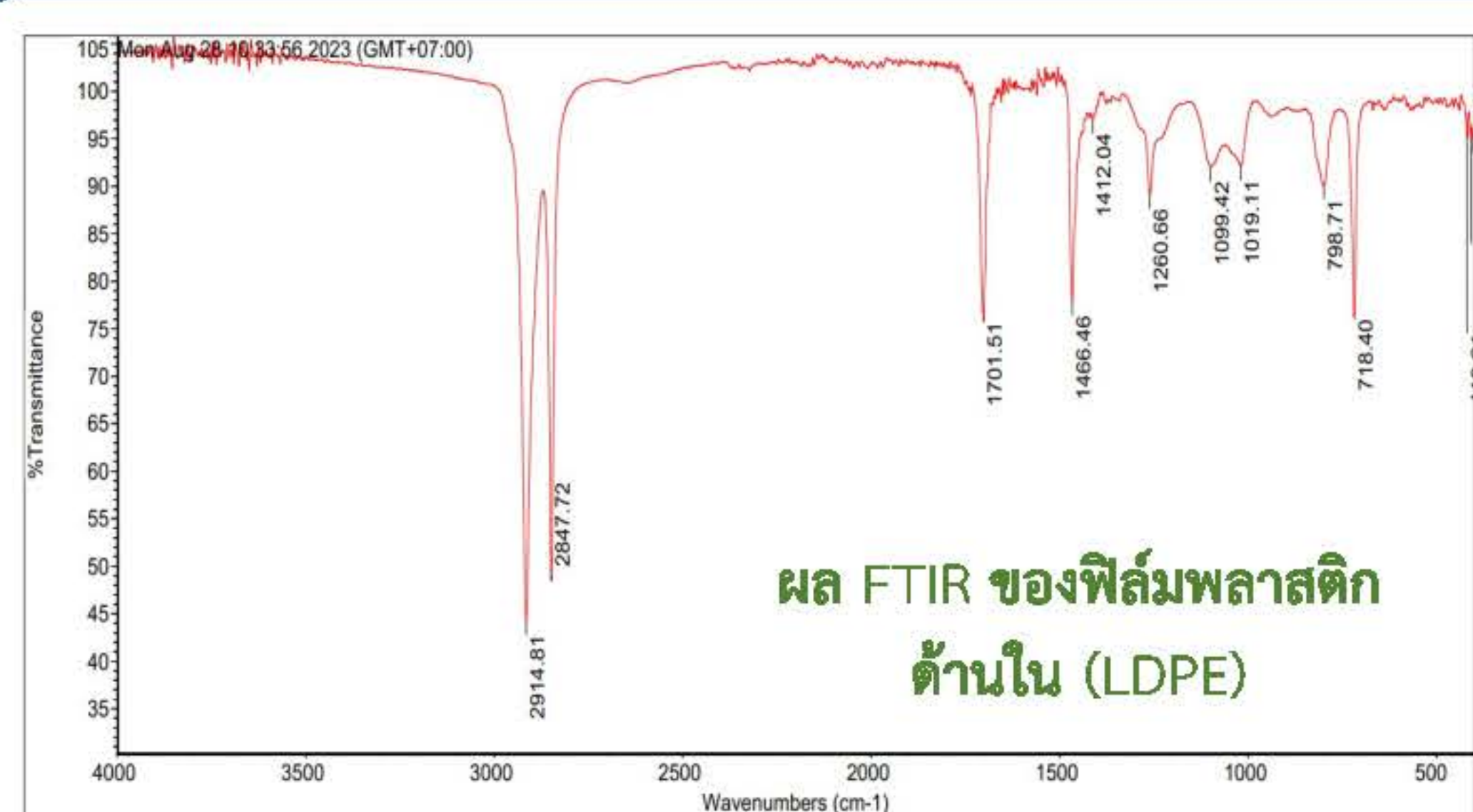
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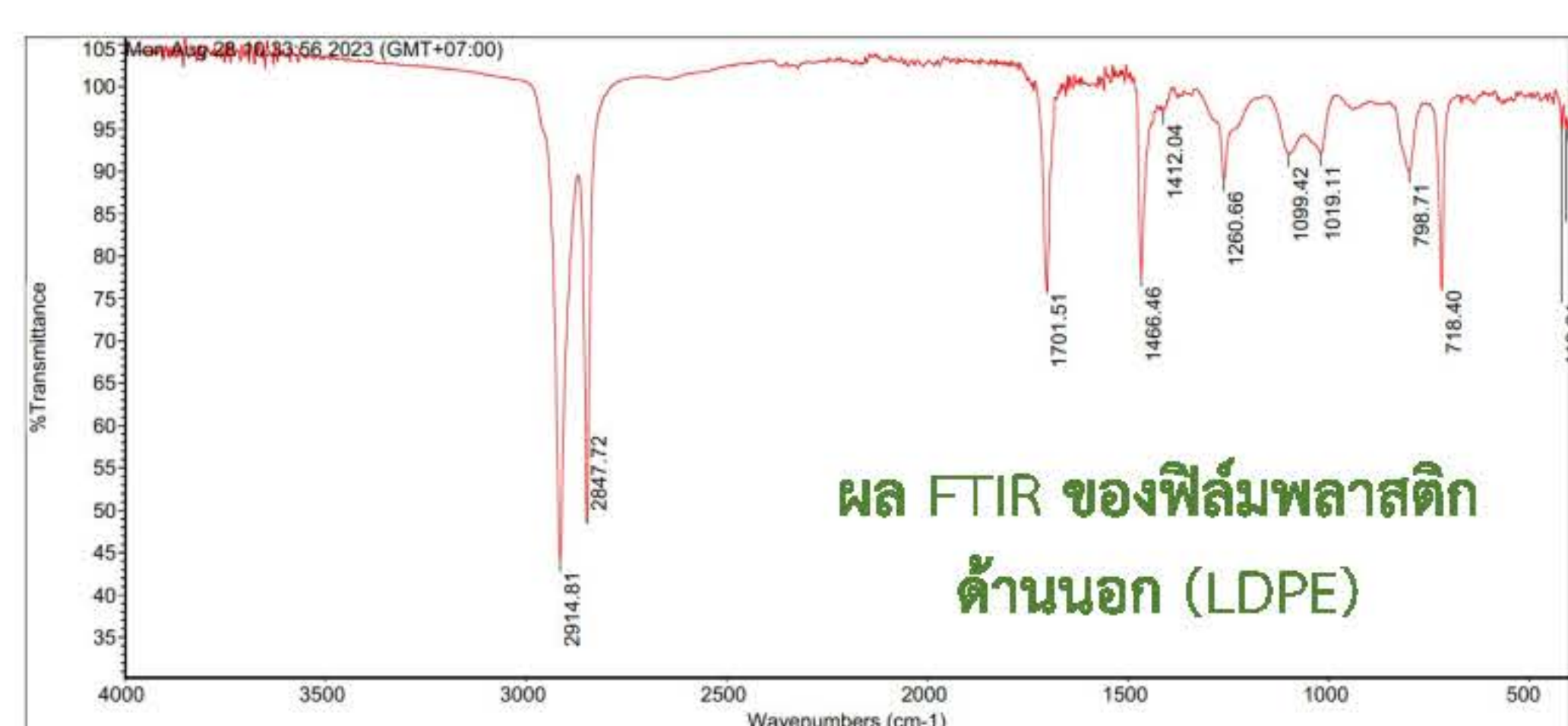
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ที่จะใช้สำหรับผลิตหวายเทียมจักสาน
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ผล FTIR ของฟิล์มพลาสติก
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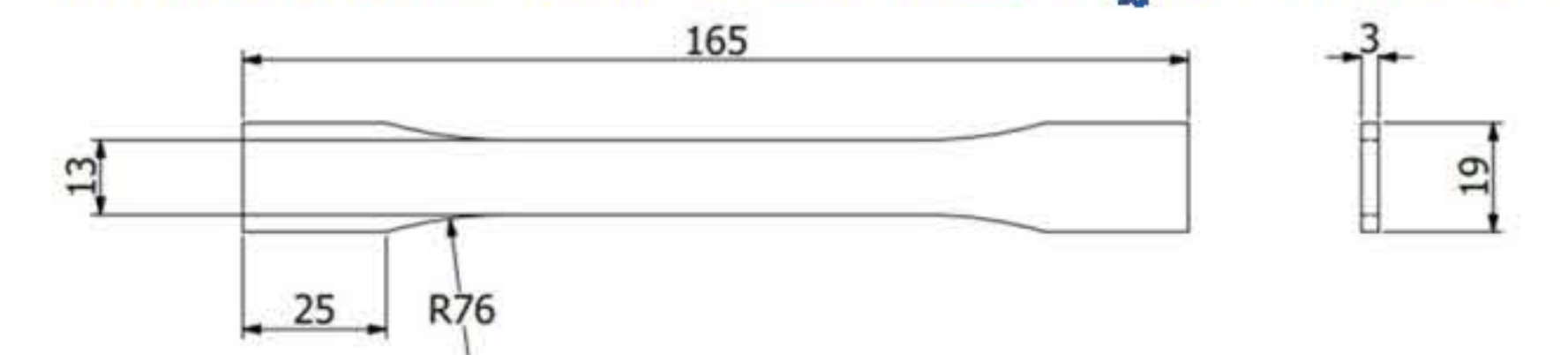
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รูปที่ 3 ผลการทดลองขึ้นรูปเม็ดคอมพาวด์จากขยะอุตสาหกรรมจากการผลิตหลอดยาสีฟัน

การทดสอบสมบัติทางกลของคอมพาวด์รีไซเคิลจาก ขยะอุตสาหกรรมการผลิตหลอดยาสีฟัน

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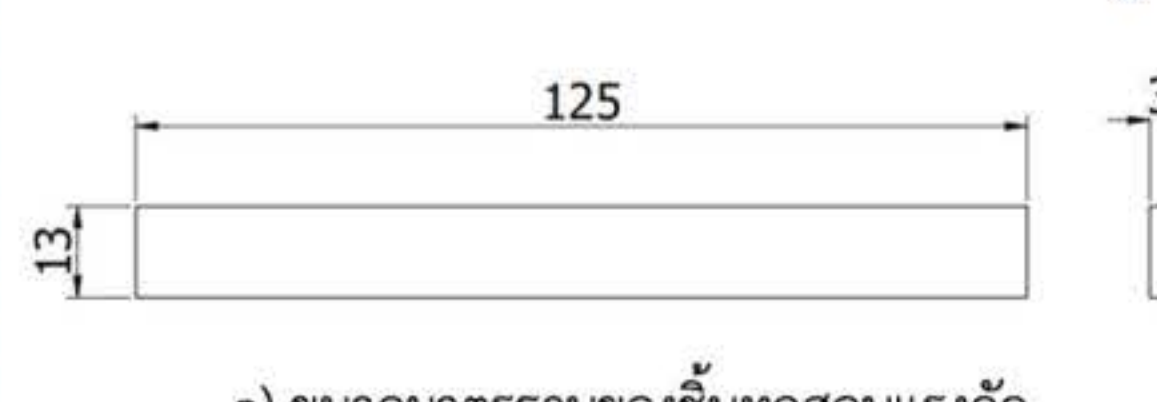


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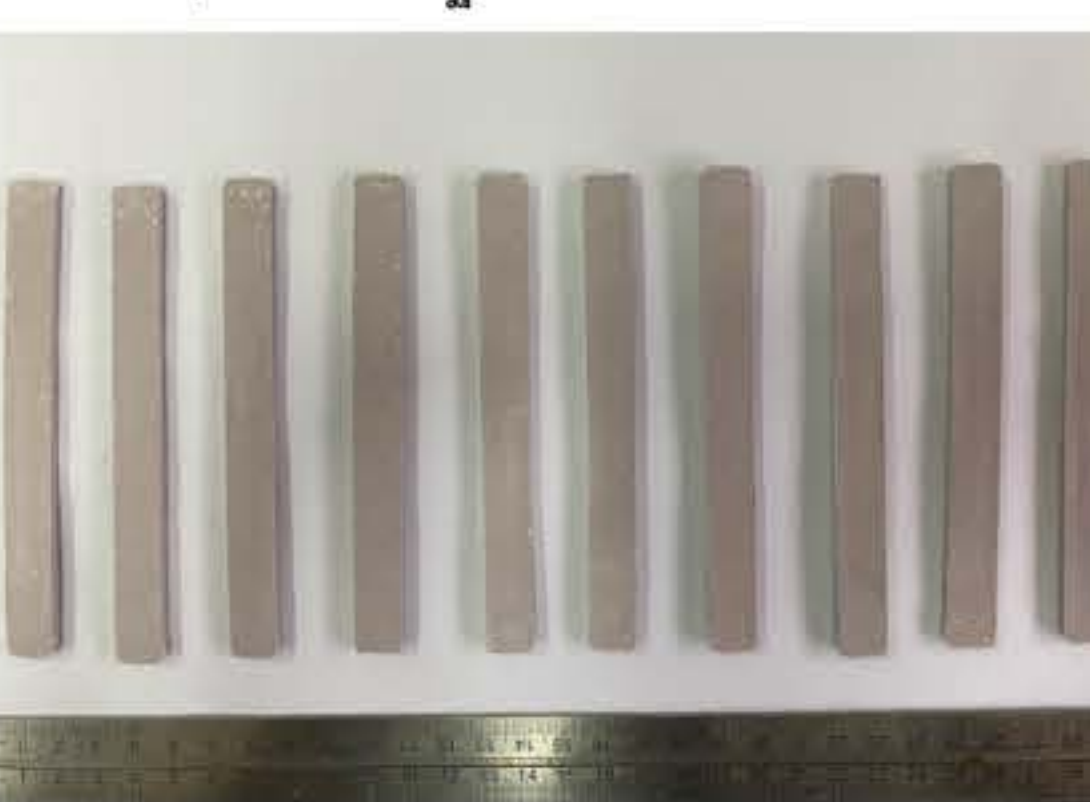


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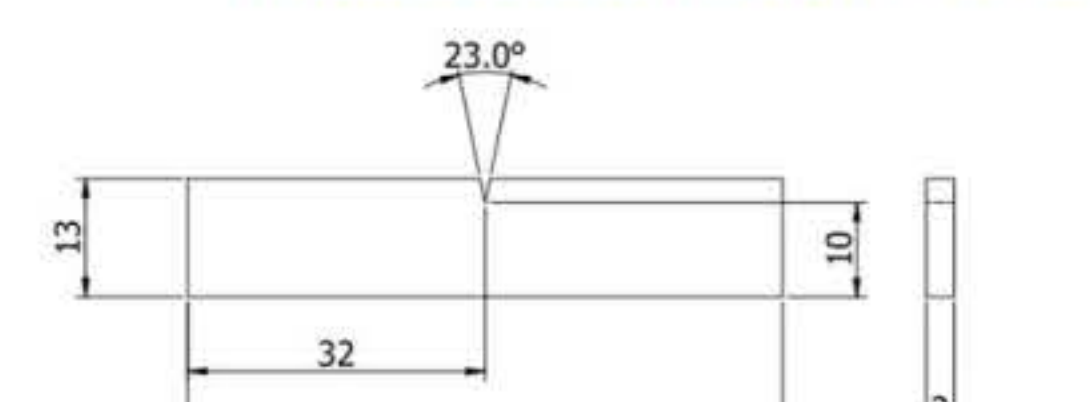


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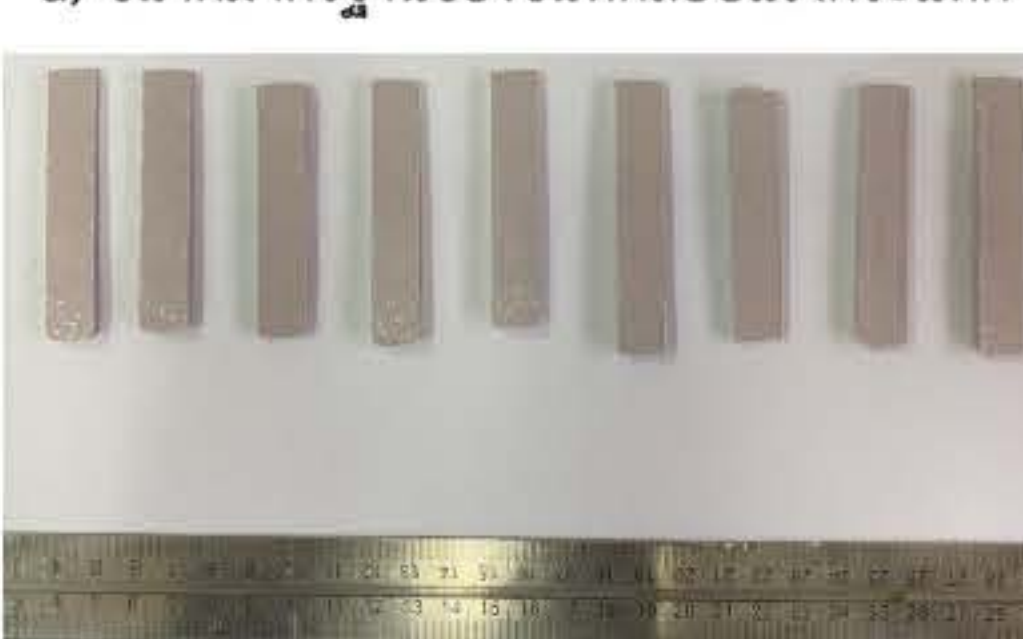


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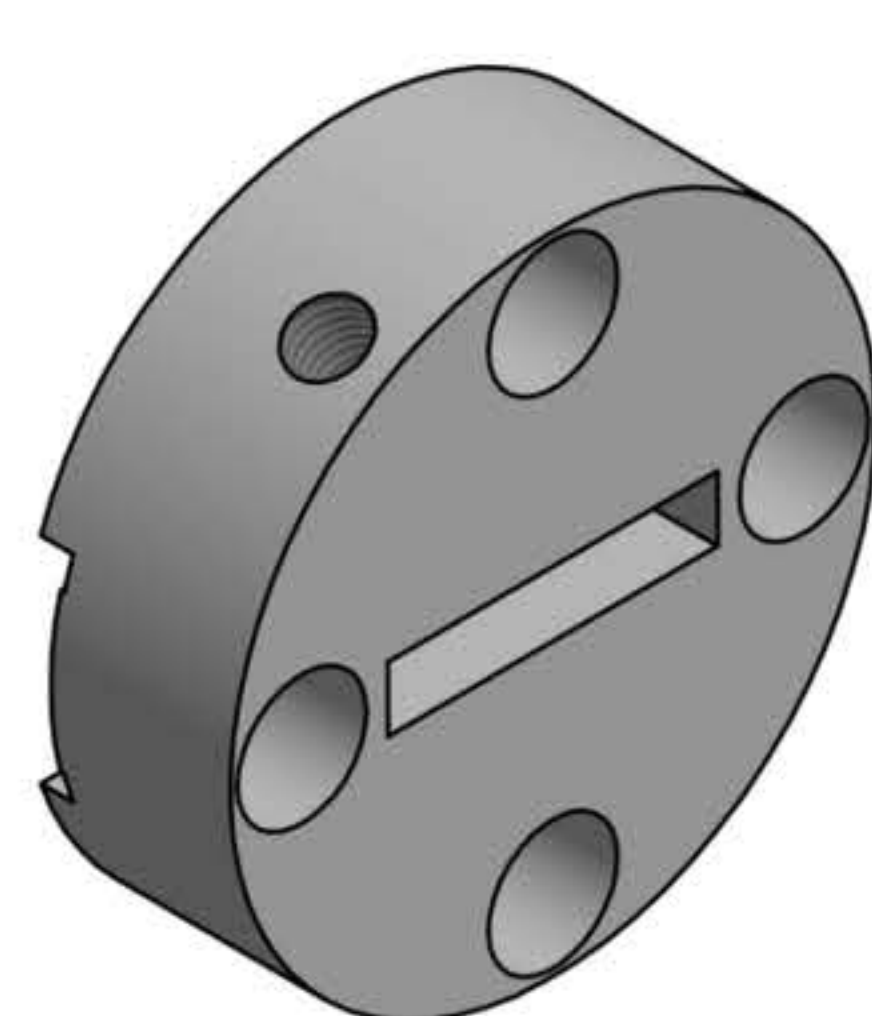
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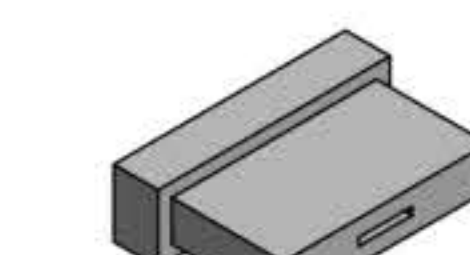
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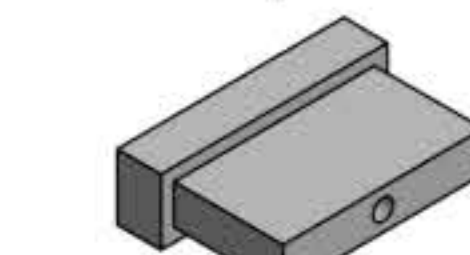
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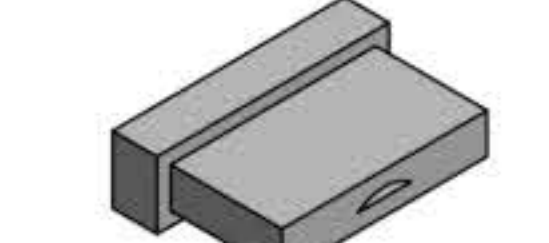
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Development of a smart grid stabilization system using a diesel engine from waste fuel

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Rationale

The plastic waste amount 13.97 percent of the total waste generated of 9,600 tons per day. Thailand has plastic waste amounting to 13.97 percent of the total amount of waste generated or 9,600 tons/day. The amount of waste increased by 100 tons/day or 1 percent compared to the amount of plastic waste in 2019. The rate of plastic waste generation increased from 96 grams/person/day increased from before to 137 grams/person/day. This is an alarming number. If there is no smart waste management strategy, it will have an impact in the near future. Disposing of plastic waste through the pyrolysis process into oil. Plastic waste can be turned into advanced bio-oil to be used as fuel for internal combustion engines for generating electricity to enhance the stability of smart grids using IoT systems. to help manage and control work. which is waste management and electricity production using alternative fuels Including to strengthen the electrical stability of the smart grid system in the future for energy security to support economic and technological growth.

Methods

This research method an experimental, main parameter is approximate diesel fuel consumption rate (gal/h) of the IC-engine. The characteristic of electricity showing, current (A), voltage (V), Frequency (Hz),



Figure. 1. Modified a Diesel IC-engine



Figure. 2. Generator connected with IC-engine setting up



Figure. 3. Fuel freed stock

Fig. 1. showed the diesel IC-engine type is motor diesel horizontal 4-stroke, direct injection. 1 cylinder, displacement volume is 0.638 lit. Specific fuel consumption is 181 gr/ hp*h.

Fig.2. showed the generator connecting with IC-engine, the generator is a Permanent Magnet Synchronous Generator (PMSG), the maximum power is 2 kW power: 220V/5.2A/50Hz and maximum speed 1000 rpm

Fig. 3. showed modified a plastic water bottle as a fuel freed stock, it was marked at a certain point.

Results & Discussion

This result was showing preliminary testing of the internal combustion engine, IC-engine combine with the generator testing

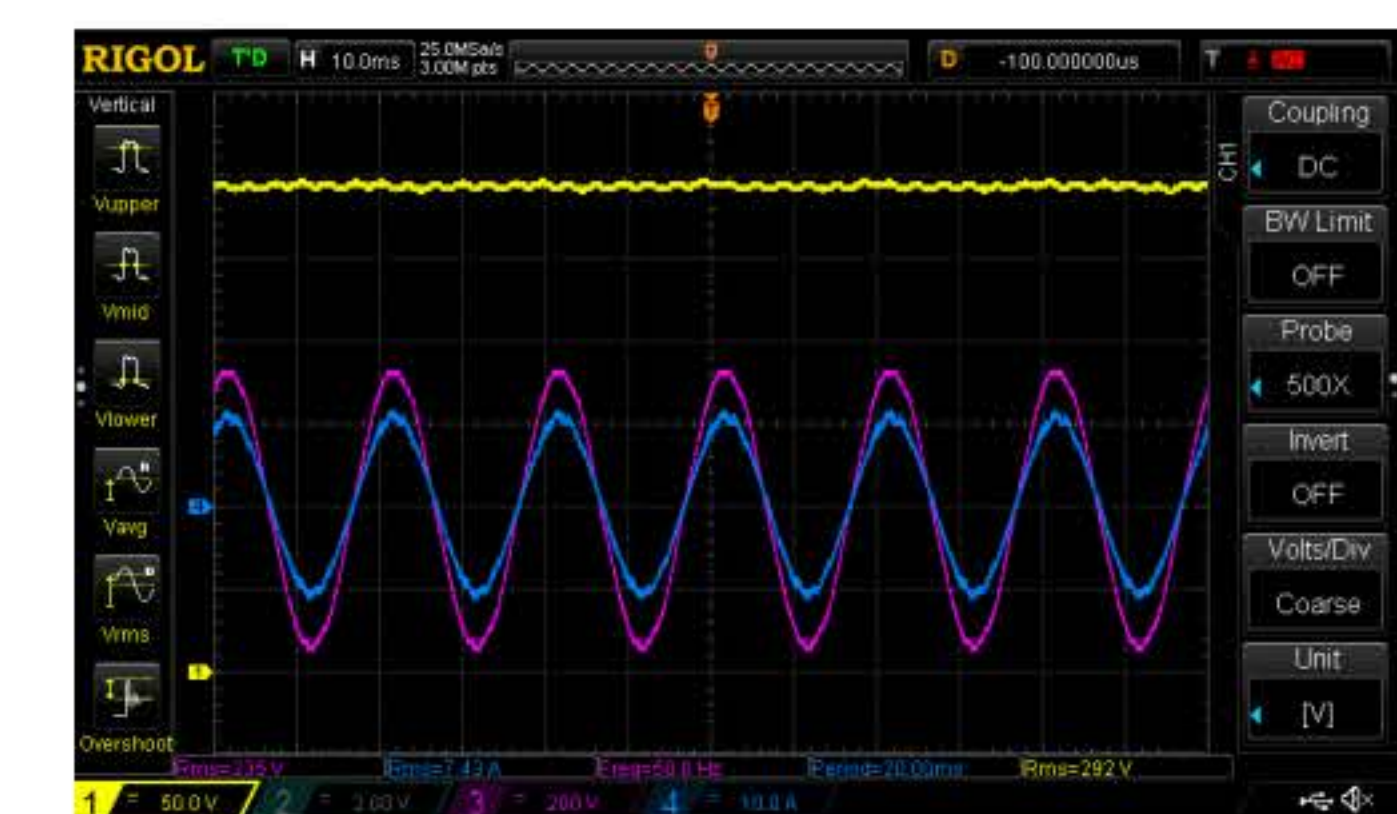


Figure. 5. Relationship Torque and Power of generation

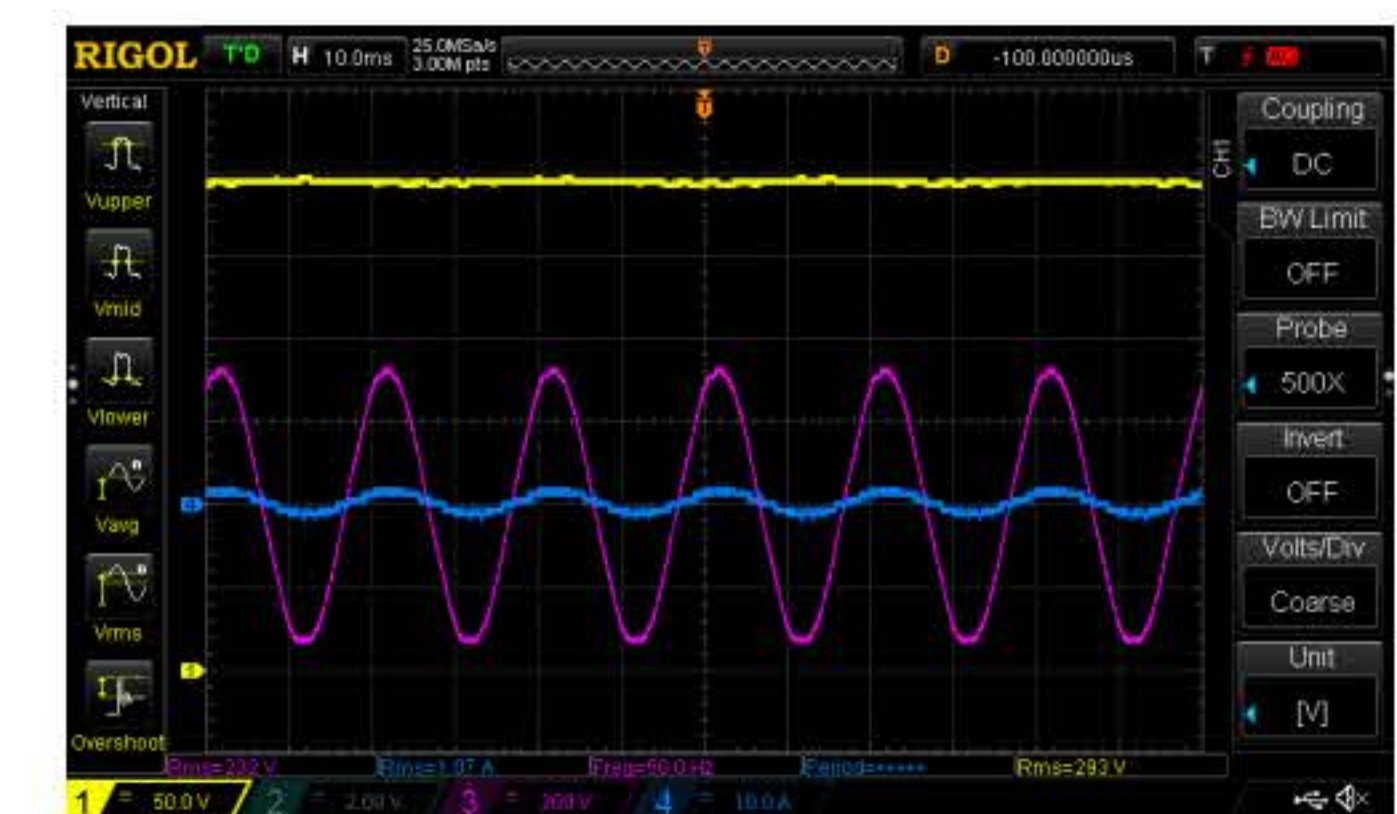


Figure. 6. Relationship Torque and Power of generation

Fig.5. shows preliminary testing of generator testing The waveform from the inverter is a sine wave with current and voltage in the same phase and a frequency of 50 Hz. Rms 7.43A

Fig.6. shows The waveform from the inverter is a sine wave with current and voltage in the same phase and a frequency of 50 Hz. Rms 1.07A

Comparing difference current between 7.43A and 1.07 A, the effect of current show the waveform from the inverter is a sine wave (see Fig.5. and Fig.6.)

Conclusion

The mains of ejective study the plastic west conversion to energy for supplying the IC-engine to produce an electricity for supplying the gride connection, the grid connection is a small generation system of the smart grid system. The preliminary testing was shown abilities of the crude pyrolysis oil created from plastic, it can be used as fuel for internal combustion engines.

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Table. 1. Classification of the plastic types for conversion into fuel oil

| Plastic types | Characteristic | Packaging example | Type of oil |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| High-density Polyethylene, HDPE | Quite opaque, Strong, High-density | Baby bottles, cosmetic bottles, plastic bags, trash cans, chemical containers | Diesel |
| Low-density Polyethylene, LDPE | Translucent, Low-density | Frozen food bags, cling film, storage bags and copper clad cables | Diesel |
| Polypropylene, PP | Light weight, heat resistant | Bottle caps, food containers, hot bags and straws | Diesel |
| Polystyrene, PS | Fragile, easily broken | Cups, plates and drinking glasses | Gasoline |

The crude pyrolysis oil created from plastic is produced by the pyrolysis process which involves heating the plastic in the non-appearance of oxygen, to break down the long-chain hydrocarbons to shorter-chain hydrocarbons. The shorter chain hydrocarbons are used to produce liquid fuels.

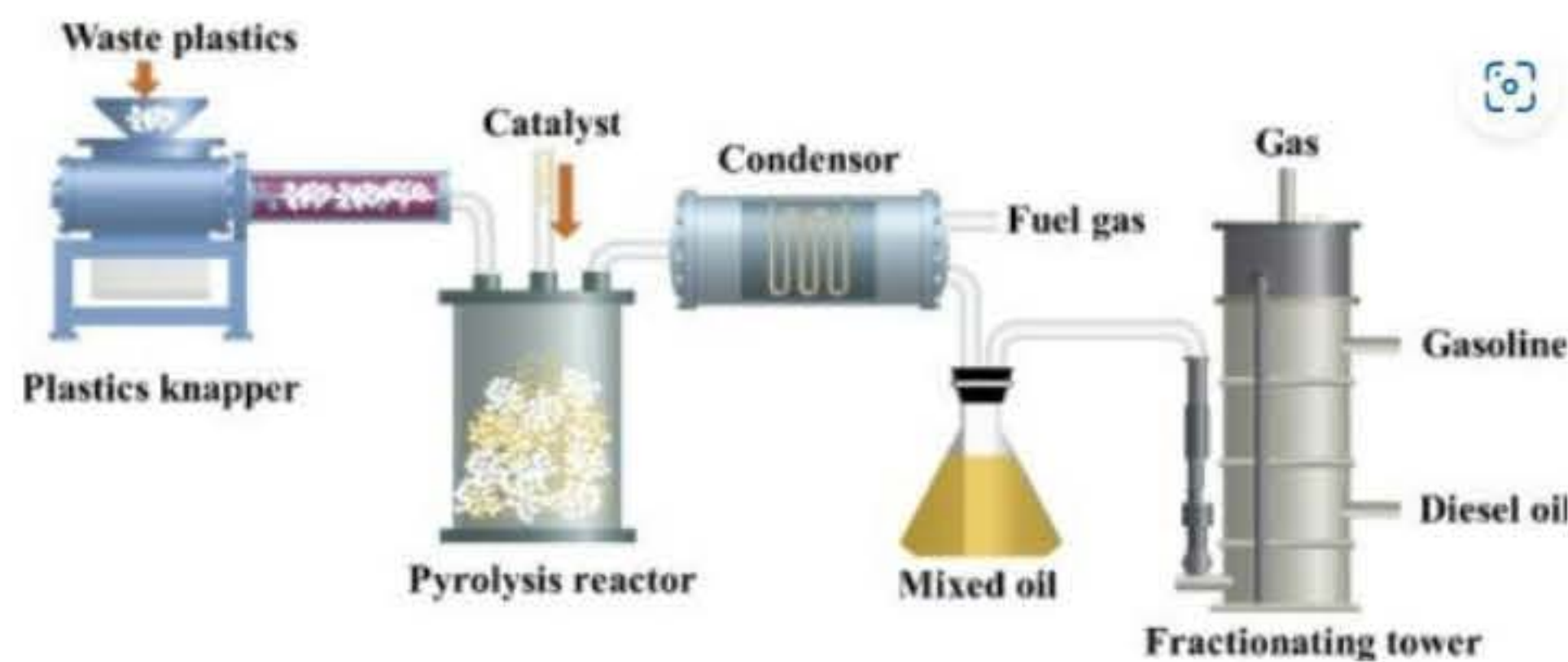


Figure 4. Pyrolysis process with plastic waste

The choice of temperature, heating rate and catalyst depends on the feedstock and the desired products. For example, wood and other biomass are typically pyrolyzed at temperatures ranging from 400°C to 600°C to produce bio-oil, while plastic waste can be pyrolyzed at temperatures ranging from 400°C to 700°C to produce liquid fuel.

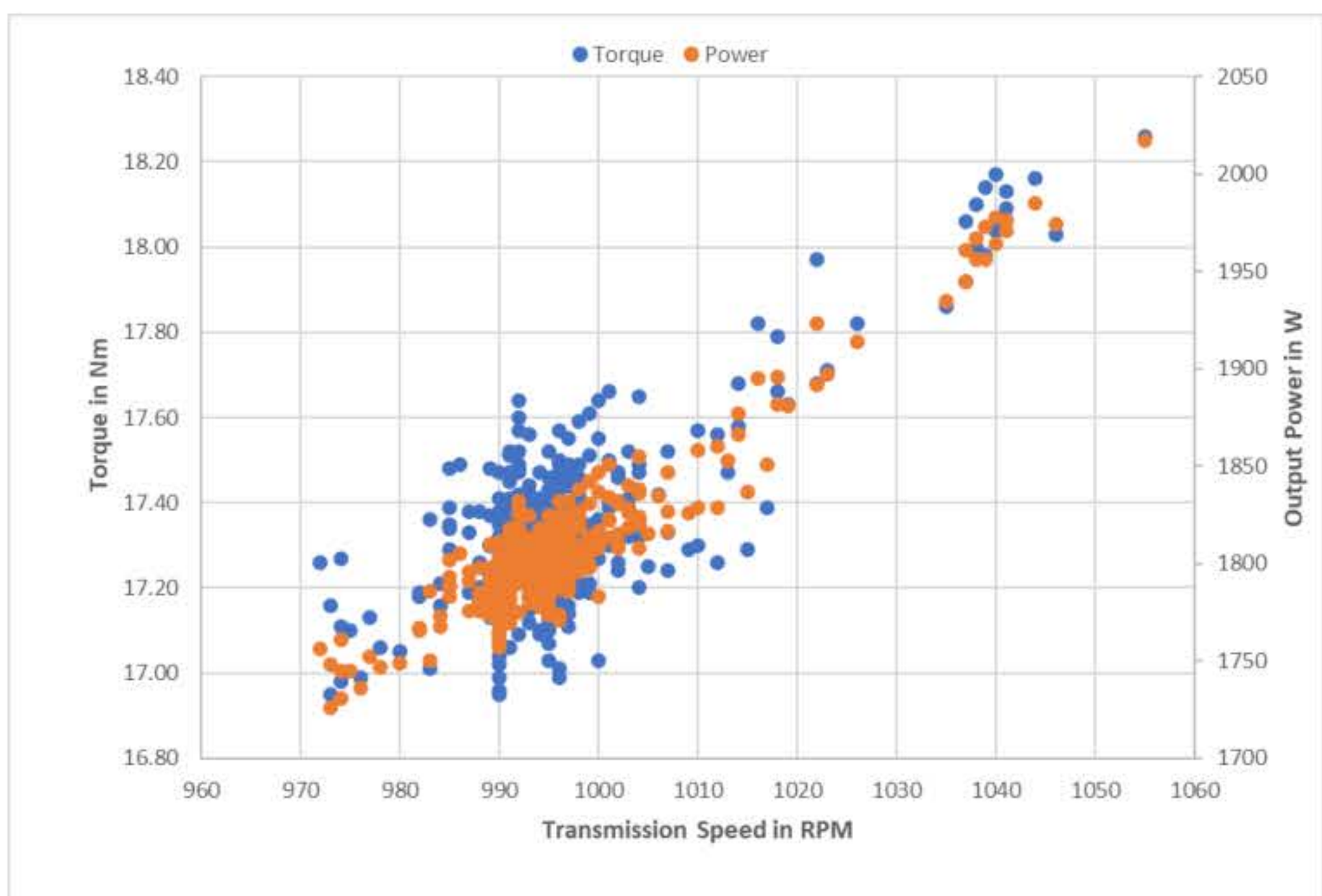


Figure. 7. Relationship Torque and Power of generation

From Figure 7. the preliminary test was show the maximum speed, minimum speed, and average speed of transmission was 1055 rpm, 972 rpm, and 996.74 rpm respectively. The maximum power 2.02 kW, Min. power 1.73 KW, and average of power is 1.81 kW of the generator. An approximate diesel fuel consumption rate, the generator capacity between 20 – 60 kW in case of full loads 1.6 – 4.8 gal/h. The speed can make a difference in fuel consumption because the speed is going up and down and is not constant.

Production of biogas from bagasse with the innovation of extracting bacteria from the soil as decomposers

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Introduction

Thailand's significant reliance on the agricultural sector confers it with a competitive edge. The agricultural establishment encompasses a multitude of components that are intricately linked to the process of production. Cash crops, such as sugarcane, constitute a significant proportion of the biomass within the agricultural sector. The creation of biogas from bagasse is also a topic of significant interest. From a chemical perspective, bagasse exhibits a notable abundance of fiber and a considerably elevated cellulose content. Nevertheless, it is imperative to customize it before utilizing it. This study aimed to explore several approaches for the pre-treatment of bagasse prior to its utilization in biogas production. Specifically, the investigation involved the cultivation of bacteria in soil and the isolation of strains capable of producing the cellulase enzyme. The ultimate goal was to facilitate the conversion of bagasse into glucose, which could then be utilized in biogas production processes. The examination of biogas production systems for both corporate entities and local populations has also been undertaken.

Method

Development of bagasse degradation bacteria

The objective of this study was to isolate cellulase-producing bacteria from soil samples. The experiment commences with the acquisition of a soil sample weighing 1 gram. The subsequent step involves the isolation of cellulase-producing bacteria through the assessment of clearing zone formation on a solid LB medium supplemented with 1% carboxymethyl cellulose (CMC), which is subsequently poured with an iodine solution. Subsequently, the concentration of Reducing Sugar derived from bagasse was analyzed for its potential utilization as a precursor in the generation of biogas.

Production of biogas from bagasse

Biogas production is conducted utilizing exclusively liquid reactants, namely the solid fraction derived from the pretreatment of bagasse with soil-extracted bacteria to generate glucose. This process takes place within a sizeable 1.2 cubic meter digester, facilitating biogas fermentation. The initial procedure involves the addition of 50 liters of glucose reactant and 15 liters of biocatalyst, followed by thorough mixing to remove oxygen by means of nitrogen gas. The process of anaerobic digestion was conducted at a controlled temperature of 39±0.5 °C for a period of 20 days. The control group consisted of untreated bagasse samples. Biogas samples were collected at 24-hour intervals and subsequently subjected to analysis.

Graphical Method

Isolation of cellulase-producing bacteria



Production of biogas from bagasse



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Results and Discussion

Table 1 On the ninth day, there was a decrease in the sugar concentration of the digested rice straw.

| Isolate | Reducing sugar concentration |
|---------|------------------------------|
| SL1 | 1.926 |
| SL2 | 1.788 |
| SL3 | 1.864 |
| SL4 | 1.794 |

Cellulase produced bacteria were taken from the soil in this study. The bacteria with the greatest ability to break down straw has been identified as SL1.

Following each degradation interval, alterations in pH and total volatile fatty acid (TVFA) content have been observed.

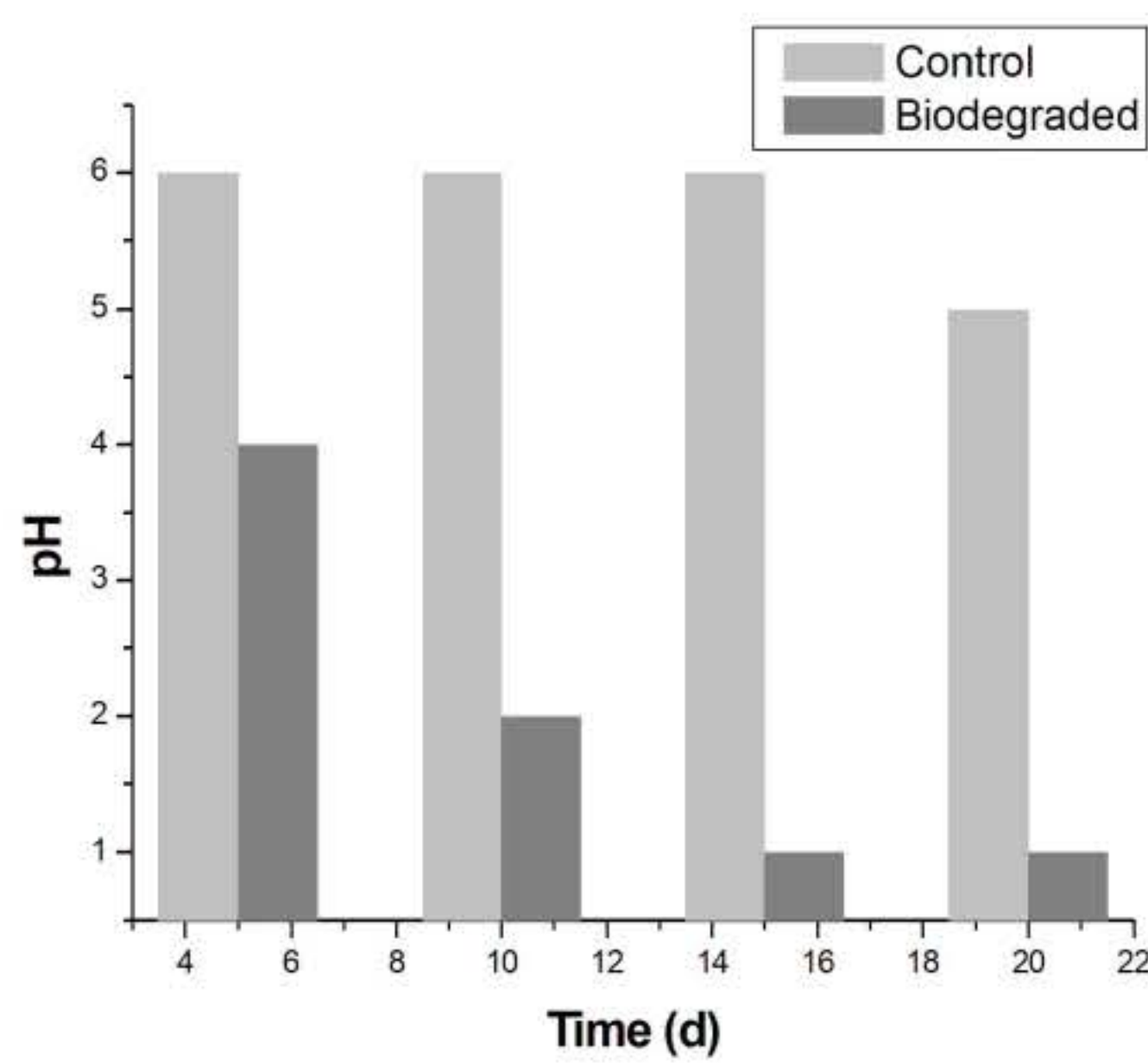


Figure 1 Changes in pH over time

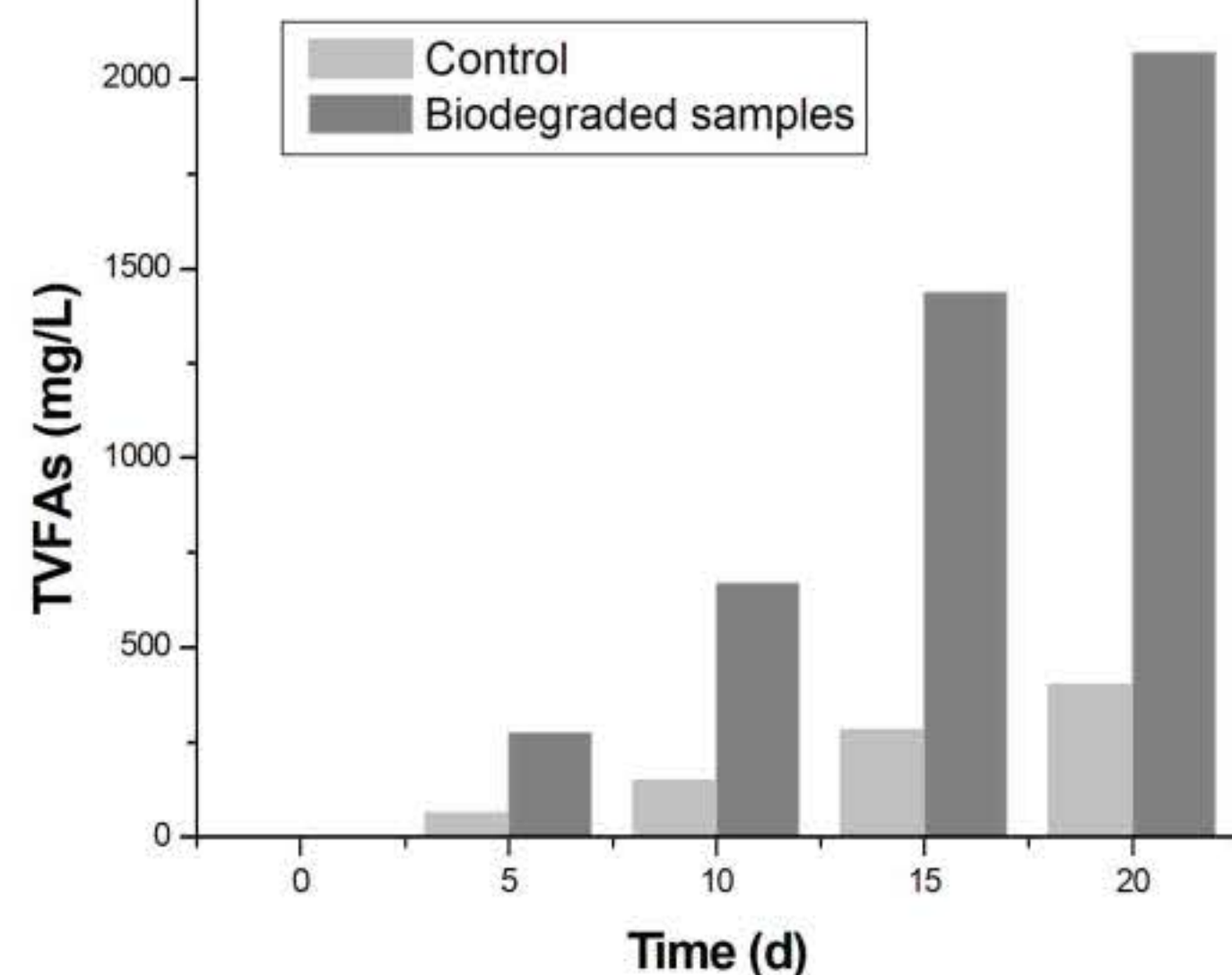


Figure 2 Changes in TVFA concentration over time

Biomethane production

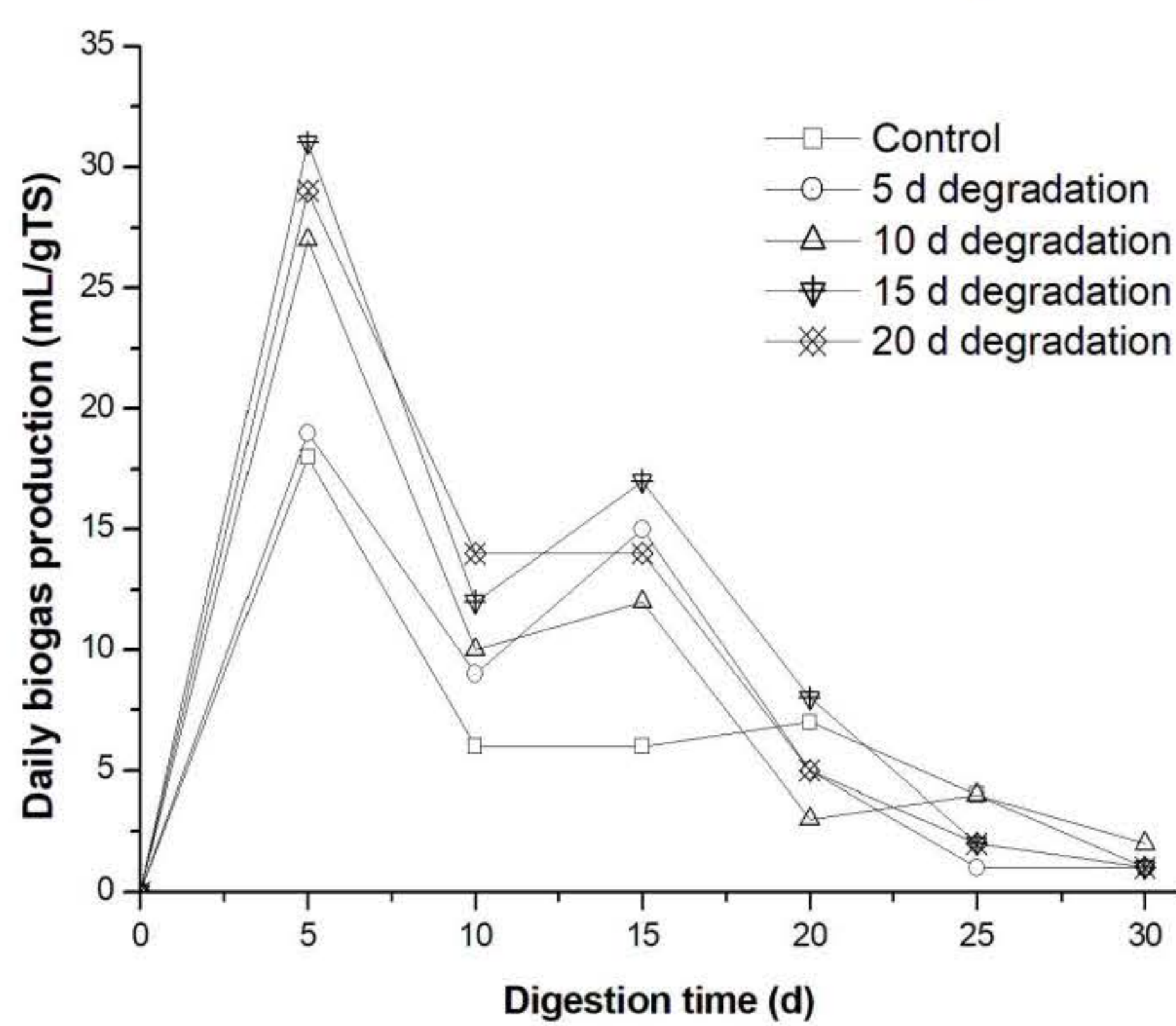


Figure 3 The daily generation of biogas from both untreated and biologically decomposed rice straw.

Conclusion

In this work, bacteria capable of generating cellulase were isolated from soil samples. Previous studies have demonstrated that the bacterial inoculant SL1 exhibits notable cellulolytic and lignolytic activity, making it the most effective candidate for bagasse decomposition. The utilization of lignocellulose can be enhanced by many approaches. The degradation process reaches its peak efficiency within a 15-day timeframe, resulting in significant biogas and methane yields of 316.10 mL/gTS and 171.72 mL/gTS, respectively. Additionally, this optimized period of degradation contributes to a reduction in the overall time required for biogas production.

Innovative Production of Glowing Recycled Plastic Filament for 3D Printers

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Rationale

The timely creation of prototype products within a reasonable cost by employing fast prototyping technology is a crucial aspect for the future of the manufacturing industry. Currently, technological innovations in 3D printing have been elevated from conventional printing technology to three-dimensional (3D) printing, allowing the development of cost-effective, high-quality technology. Key components of 3D printing technology include plastic filaments. According to the study, the prices for new types of plastic filaments range from 580 to 1800 baht per kilogram. The new plastic filaments have a high production cost. However, by utilizing filaments produced through the recycling process, the cost of production can be reduced, benefiting both the economy and the environment. Therefore, if the properties of plastics that can reduce electricity consumption during the manufacturing process are studied, it is possible to reduce production costs and energy consumption. This research focuses on using recycled and supplemented light-reactive plastic filaments in 3D printing technology to compare the mechanical and physical properties of the filaments. Additionally, the research examines the light emission duration in the dark of the recycled plastic filaments produced through the recycling process, contributing to the development of plastics in the circular economy, reducing environmental destruction, and promoting sustainable industrial product quality.

Research Methodology

this research involves exploring relevant theories related to the materials used for research, as well as the equipment and tools employed in the research process. It encompasses the rapid prototyping of objects using the Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM) method, designing test objects, conducting mechanical property tests, and analyzing experimental results

Production of Plastic Filaments

Mixing 30% polylactic acid (PLA) and 70% recycled polypropylene, supplemented with the light-reactive additive 'Ultimate Glow' in green color, was conducted using a twin-screw extruder at a temperature of 220 degrees Celsius. The addition of the light-reactive additive was carried out in three proportions: 0.3%, 0.5%, and 1%, as show in Fig 1

Drawing plastic filaments of polylactic acid blended with recycled polypropylene and supplemented with the light-reactive additive was performed using a filament drawing apparatus. The aim was to achieve a filament diameter of 1.75±0.05, as show in Fig 2^a



Fig. 1 twin-screw extruder

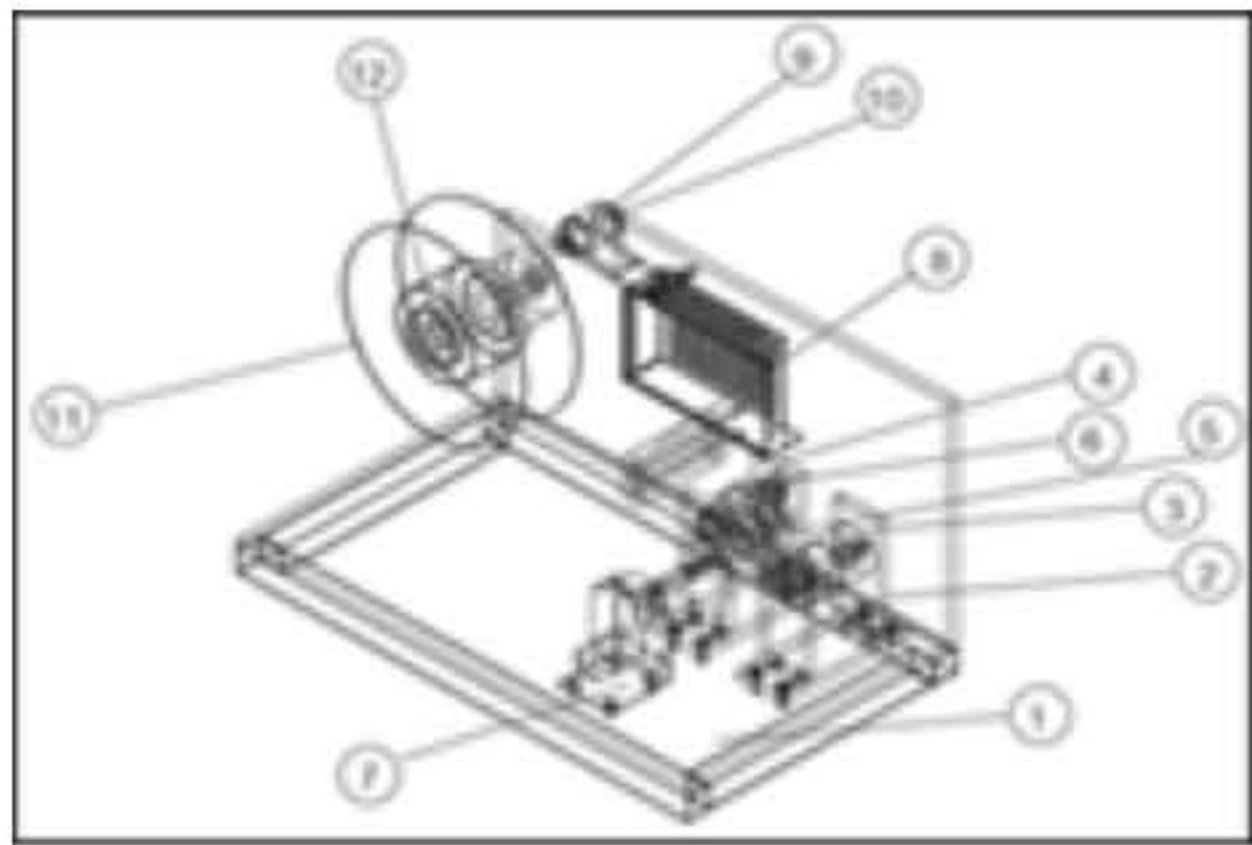


Fig. 2 Plastic filament extruder equipment.



Fig. 3 The characteristics of plastic filaments used for 3D printing

Equipment and Tools Used in the Process

The following equipment and tools were utilized in the research process: a 3D printer (Delta Kossel Rostock MicroMake), pre-built software (Flash Print), a Durometer for hardness testing (Shore D), a Fluorescence Spectrophotometer for measuring chemical fluorescence, and a tensile strength testing machine.

Design of Test Objects

Test objects were created according to ASTM 638 Type V standards, including test pieces for surface inspection measuring 15 mm in width, 15 mm in length, and 3 mm in thickness. The STL file format, a standard for 3D printing, was then converted from the data file for creating the test objects, as shown in Fig 4 (A) for mechanical property testing and Fig 4 (B) for surface inspection and layer alignment.



(A)



(B)

Fig. 4. The characteristics of the tensile test specimen are used to create 3D printed objects.

Rapid Prototyping Using Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM)

The process involved importing the 3D model file into the Flash Print program for rapid prototyping. The Flash Print program was used to slice the 3D model and set parameters for prototyping, such as the nozzle temperature (set at 230 °C), print bed temperature (set at 80 °C), and 100% infill for the plastic material.

Mechanical and Physical Property Testing

Mechanical property tests included Tensile Properties and Durometer hardness testing (Shore D) according to ASTM D2240. Physical property tests included Melt Flow Index (MFI) testing according to ASTM D1238 and Fluorescence Spectrophotometer testing, stimulating light at four wavelengths (300, 350, 450, and 500 nm) for surface fluorescence when subjected to 3D printing."

Conclusion

Production of recycled polypropylene plastic lines mixed with polylactic acid, supplemented with three different proportions of fluorescent agent

All three proportions of added fluorescent material exhibited similar mechanical properties, yet the 0.3% proportion demonstrated higher stretchability compared to the other two proportions. It also displayed physical similarities to polylactic acid strands with added fluorescent agent, as observed through tearing and the arrangement of plastic layers on the sides. Comparative analysis of mechanical properties between polylactic acid plastic filament with fluorescent additives and recycled polypropylene plastic filament mixed with polylactic acid and fluorescent additives revealed that the former exhibited higher mechanical properties. This difference is attributed to the use of recycled polypropylene plastic strands mixed with polylactic acid and supplemented with a fluorescent agent, resulting in a decrease in mechanical properties. The polylactic acid plastic line with a fluorescent additive has an appropriate wavelength in the ultraviolet range, similar to the recycled polypropylene plastic line mixed with polylactic acid and a fluorescent additive, at a proportion of 0.3 percent. Considering these factors, an additive Proportions of 0.3 percent is deemed optimal for producing filaments for use in 3D printers.

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Results

Melt Flow Index Test Results:

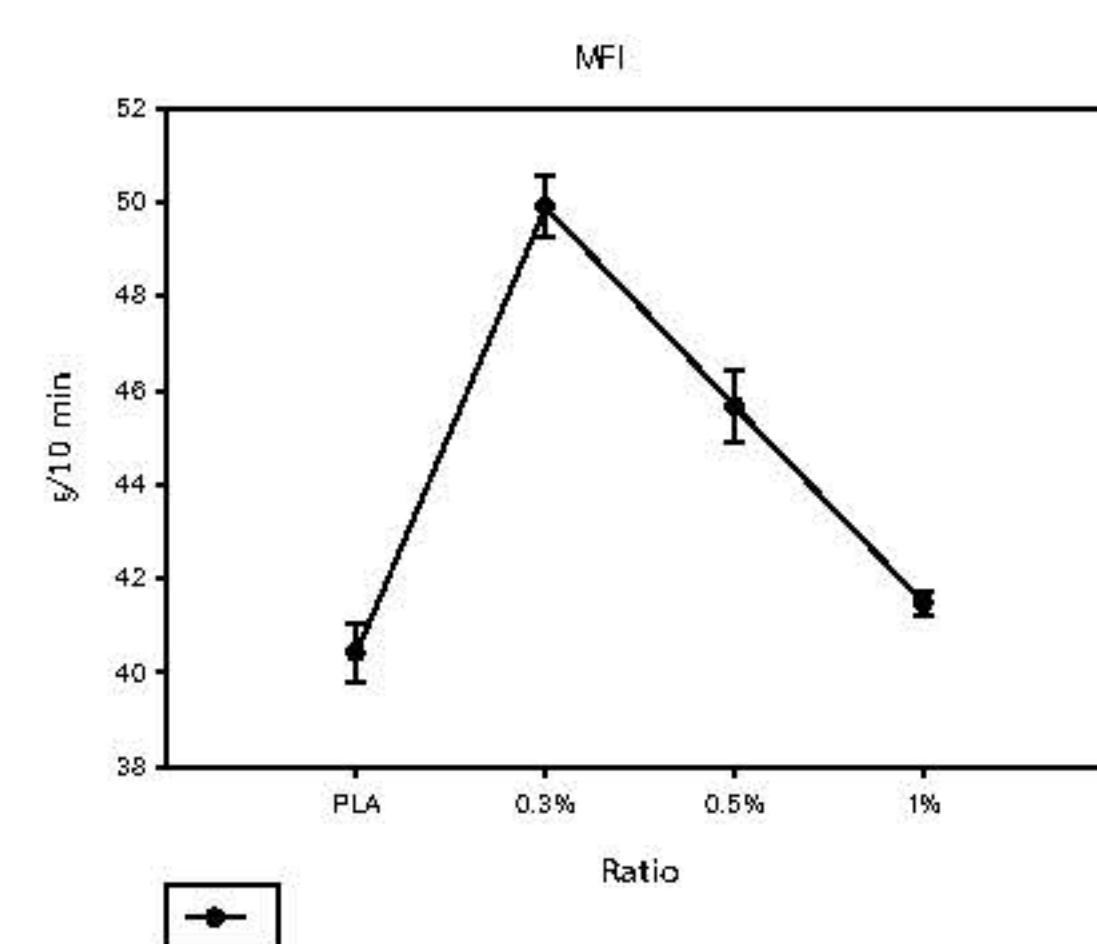


Fig. 5 The characteristics of the tensile test specimens

Mechanical Property Test Results:

From Fig 6, the relationship between strain and stress of the test specimen is shown. It can be observed that the stress-strain relationship of the specimen with the proportion of added polypropylene-recycled PLA composite with light-reactive additives is highest. However, Proportions of 0.3, 0.5, and 1, the relationship between strain and stress decreases.

The results of the elasticity test demonstrate the capability of the proportion with the addition of polypropylene-recycled PLA composite with light-reactive additives at 0.3%. It shows a greater ability for elongation compared to other proportions of photosensitive additives. This corresponds to the characteristics of the stress-strain graph of the test specimen, as depicted in Fig 7

Test results for the modulus of elasticity (Young's modulus) of polylactic acid lines with fluorescent additives averaged 873.304 megapascals, and recycled polypropylene lines mixed with polylactic acid added fluorescent agent. The proportions of adding fluorescent agent of 0.3, 0.5, and 1% averaged 463.546 It was observed that polylactic acid lines with added fluorescent agent are 46.92% in Fig 8


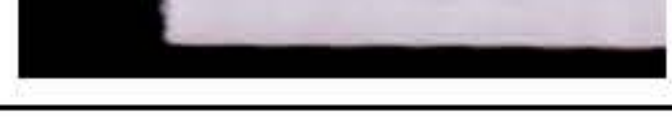

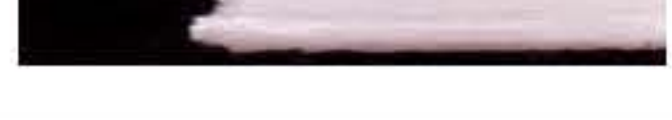
Results of the tensile strength test: Polylactic acid added to the fluorescent agent is The prototype strands were found to have an average tensile strength of 54.6588 megapascals. And the results of the tensile strength test of recycled polypropylene plastic s mixed with polylactic acid added a fluorescent agent. The proportions of adding fluorescent agent of 0.3, 0.5 and 1 percent were on average 27.371 megapascals. From the graph it was found that polylactic acid added fluorescent agent. The tensile strength is higher. This is because the addition of recycled polypropylene has been used and the adhesion of the polymer has decreased, as shown in Fig 9, which is in line with the results of the modulus of elasticity test.

Hardness test results of polylactic acid with a fluorescent additive: 78.667 Shore D, and recycled polypropylene mixed with polylactic acid with a fluorescent additive. The proportion of adding fluorescent agent was 0.3, 0.5, and 1 percent. The average hardness values were 67.390 Shore D. It was found that adding fluorescent agent increased the hardness properties. This corresponds to the modulus of elasticity and tensile strength, as shown in Fig 10.

Physical Property Testing

This pertains to the attributes of a tensile test specimen that reveal the physical features of the workpiece influencing its mechanical properties, as outlined in Table 1.

Table. 1. Characteristics of Physical Absence.

| TYPE | Work piece |
|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| PLA Original |  |
| PLA+PP+ 0.3 % |  |
| PLA+PP+ 0.5% |  |
| PLA+PP+ 1% |  |

From the process of molding the polylactic acid plastic line, the fluorescent agent is added. The specimen's surface is consistently uniform and smooth, with a cloudy white color attributed. Compared to the characteristics of the workpiece made from recycled polypropylene plastic mixed with polylactic acid and fluorescent additives. In contrast, when examining workpieces produced proportions of 0.3%, 0.5%, and 1%, certain distinctions emerge. Despite maintaining the characteristics of well-molded workpieces, the surfaces of these specimens are not as smooth.

Light luster test

The results of testing the luster of polylactic acid plastic lines with fluorescent additives found that there is a light wavelength for excitation at 509 nanometers. It is close to the proportion of 0.3%, as show in Fig 11.

The average melt flow index (MFI) test results for the polylactic acid (PLA) and recycle polypropylene, supplemented with the light-reactive additive composite were 40.408 grams/10 minutes, and for polypropylene-recycled PLA composite with light-reactive additives at concentrations of 0.3%, 0.5%, and 1%, the average MFI results were 49.896, 45.660, and 41.472 grams/10 minutes, respectively. The MFI values were observed to decrease with an increase in the concentration of light-reactive additives, with the 0.3% concentration showing the highest MFI, indicating better flowability. This suggests improved stretchability, especially compared to the 1% concentration, where the MFI was closer to that of regular PLA. As show in Fig 5

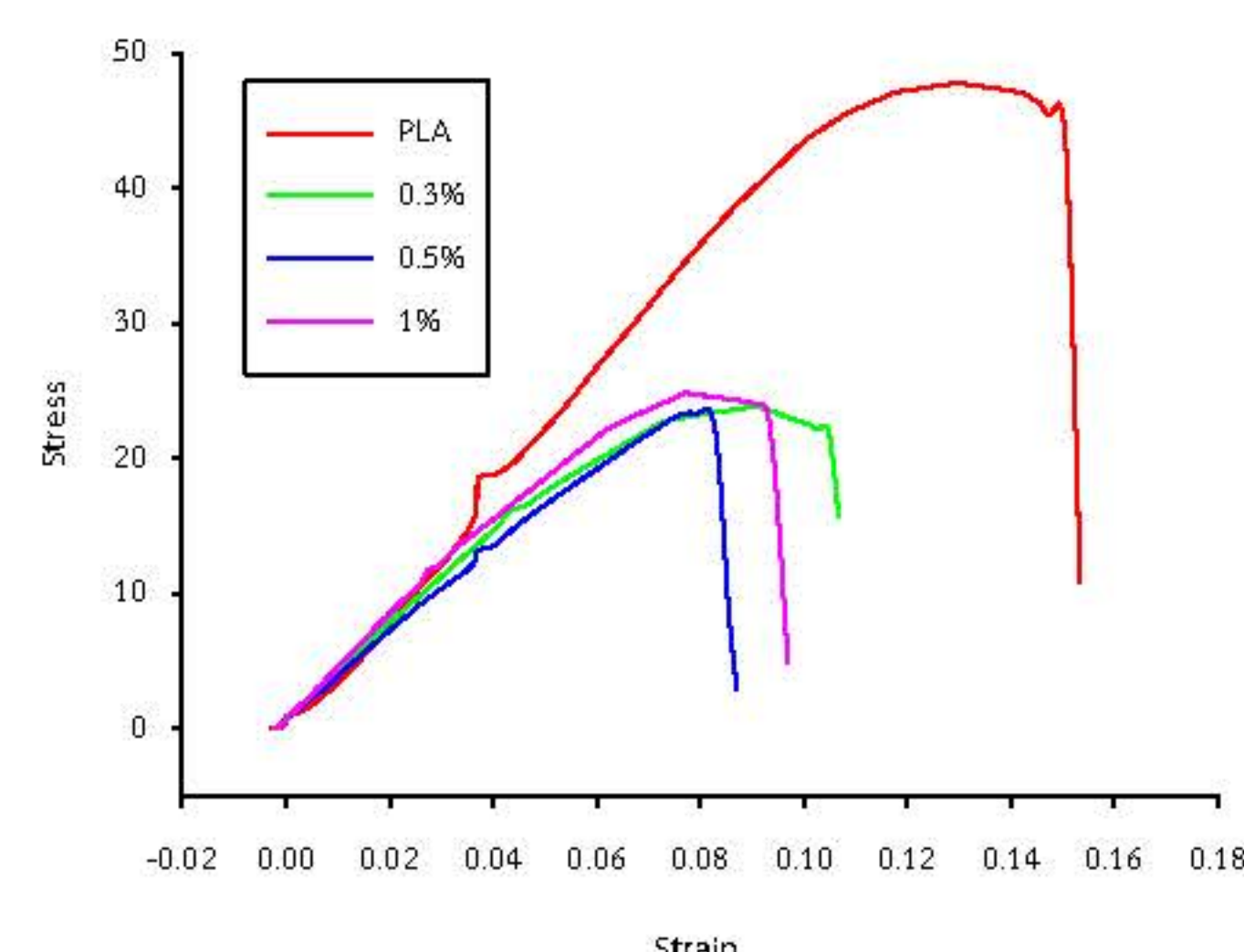


Fig. 6 Testing the stress-strain relationship.

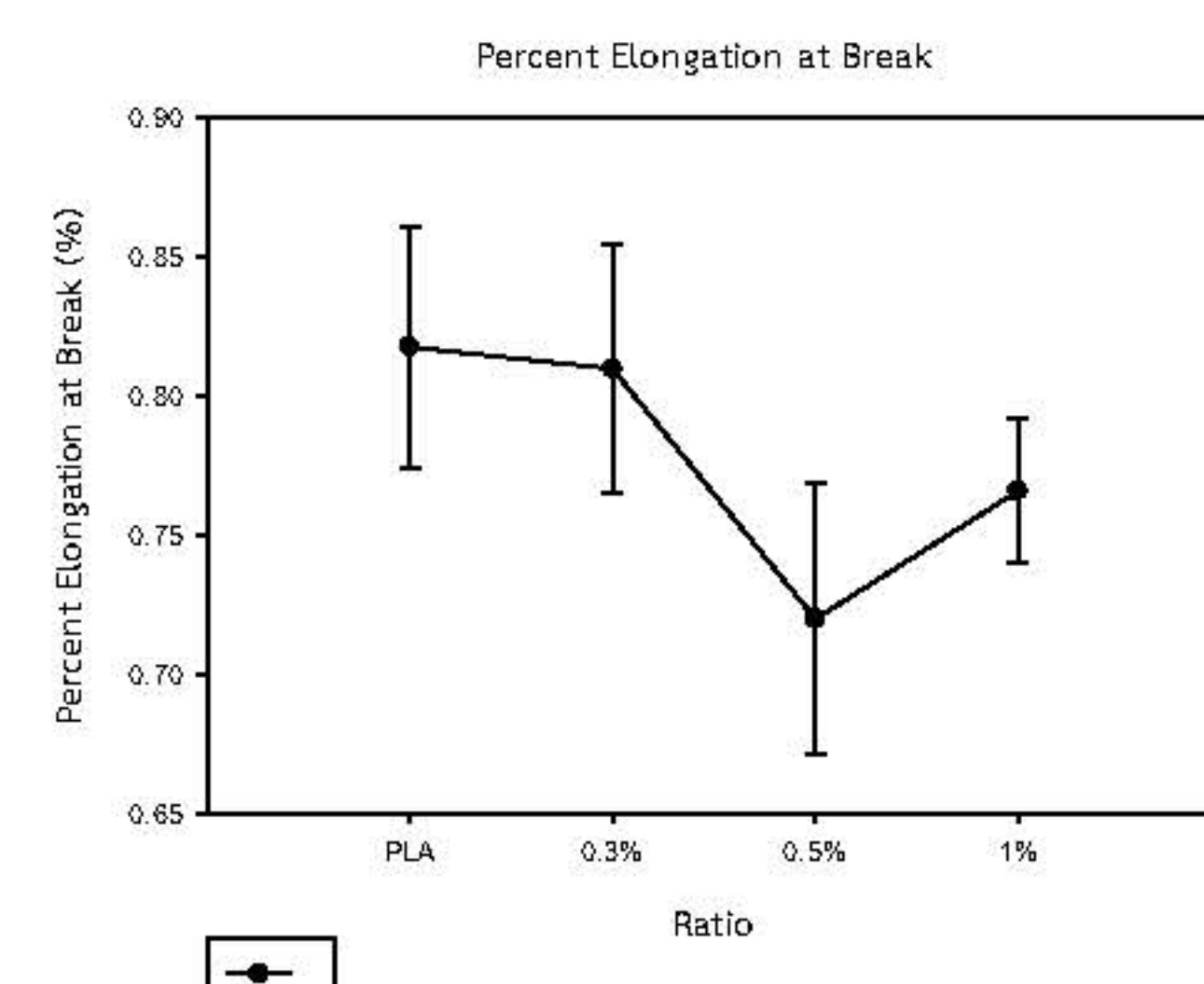


Fig. 7 Characteristics of the test specimen's elongation percentage.

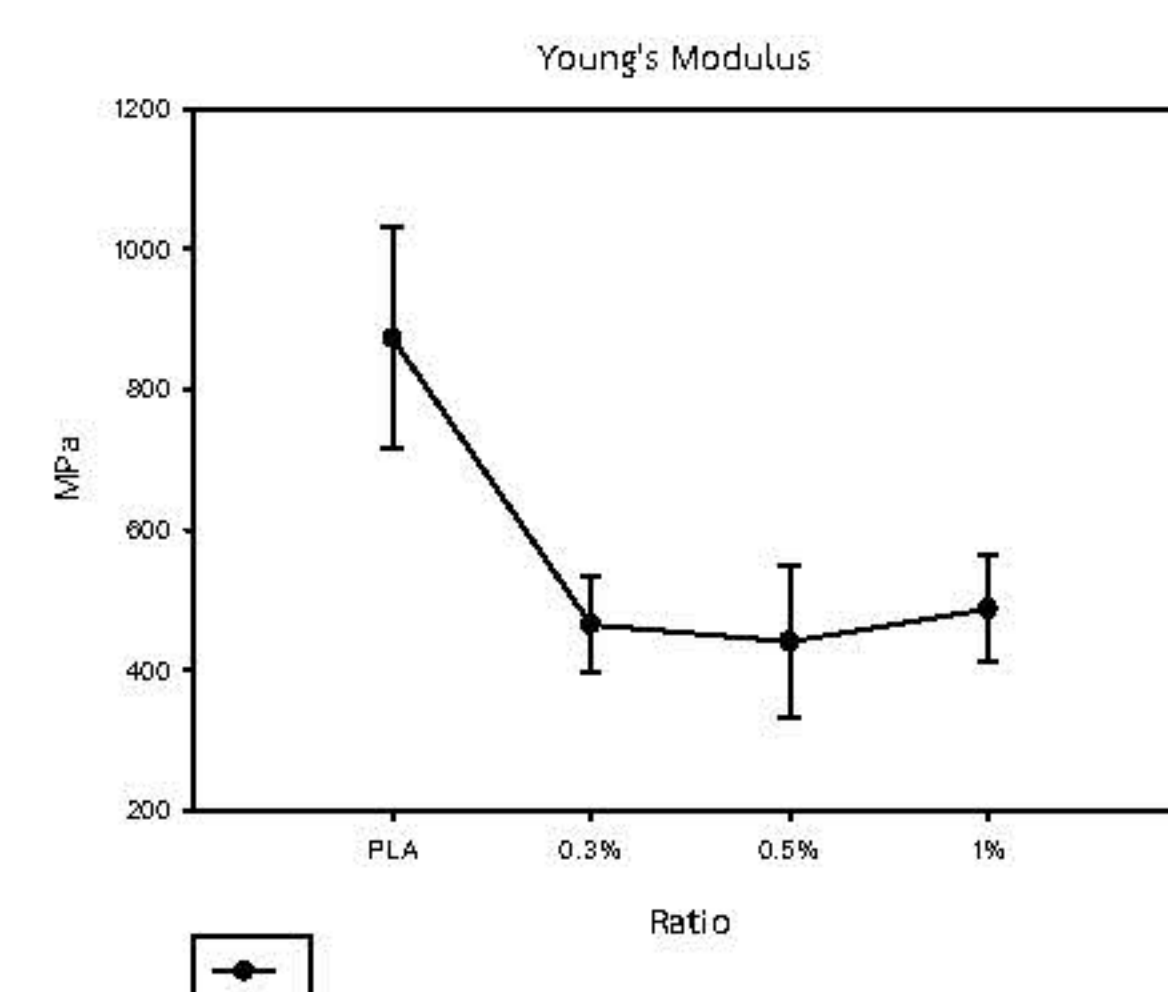


Fig 8 Test specimen characteristics of the modulus of elasticity

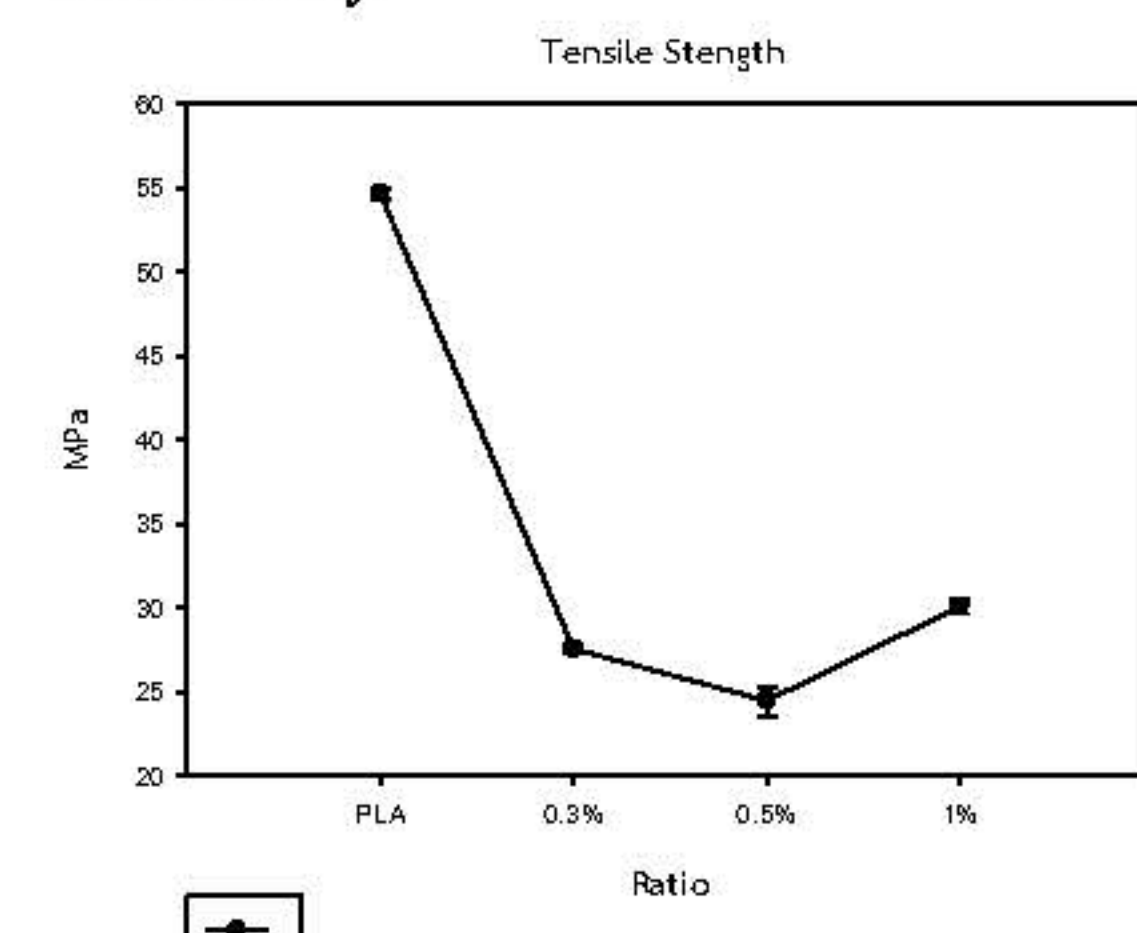


Fig 9 Characteristics of the tensile test specimen

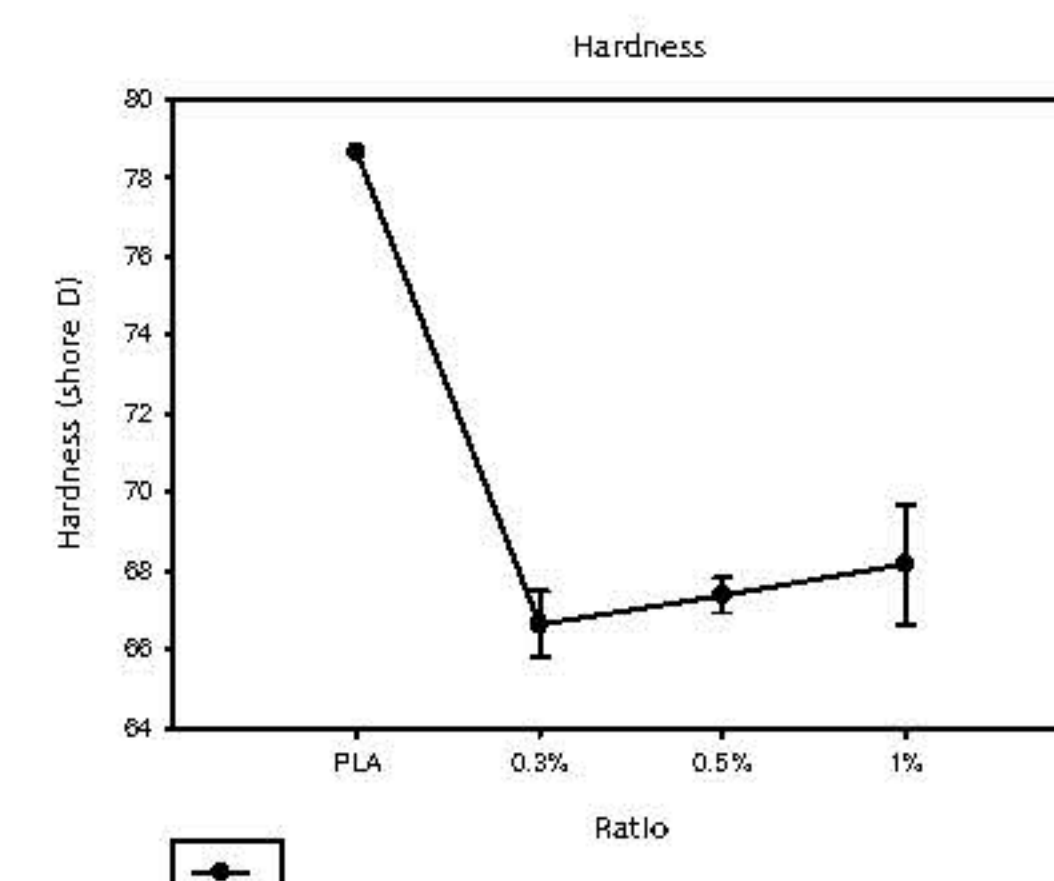


Fig 10 Characteristics of hardness test specimen



Fig 11 glowing workpiece

Development of luminescent organic dye for ethanol detection via fluorescence technique

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Introduction

Ethanol (EtOH) is one of the most important raw materials for variety of industrial processes including petroleum, medicine, food and beverage. However, the quantity of EtOH in products is very restricted due to safety and regulations. To monitor the ethanol content during industrial production and in products, the preliminary screening of ethanol amount is necessary. Fluorescent sensing technique is one of interesting alternative methods, which provides a fast respond, high accuracy, cost effectiveness and can be applied as a quantitative detection.

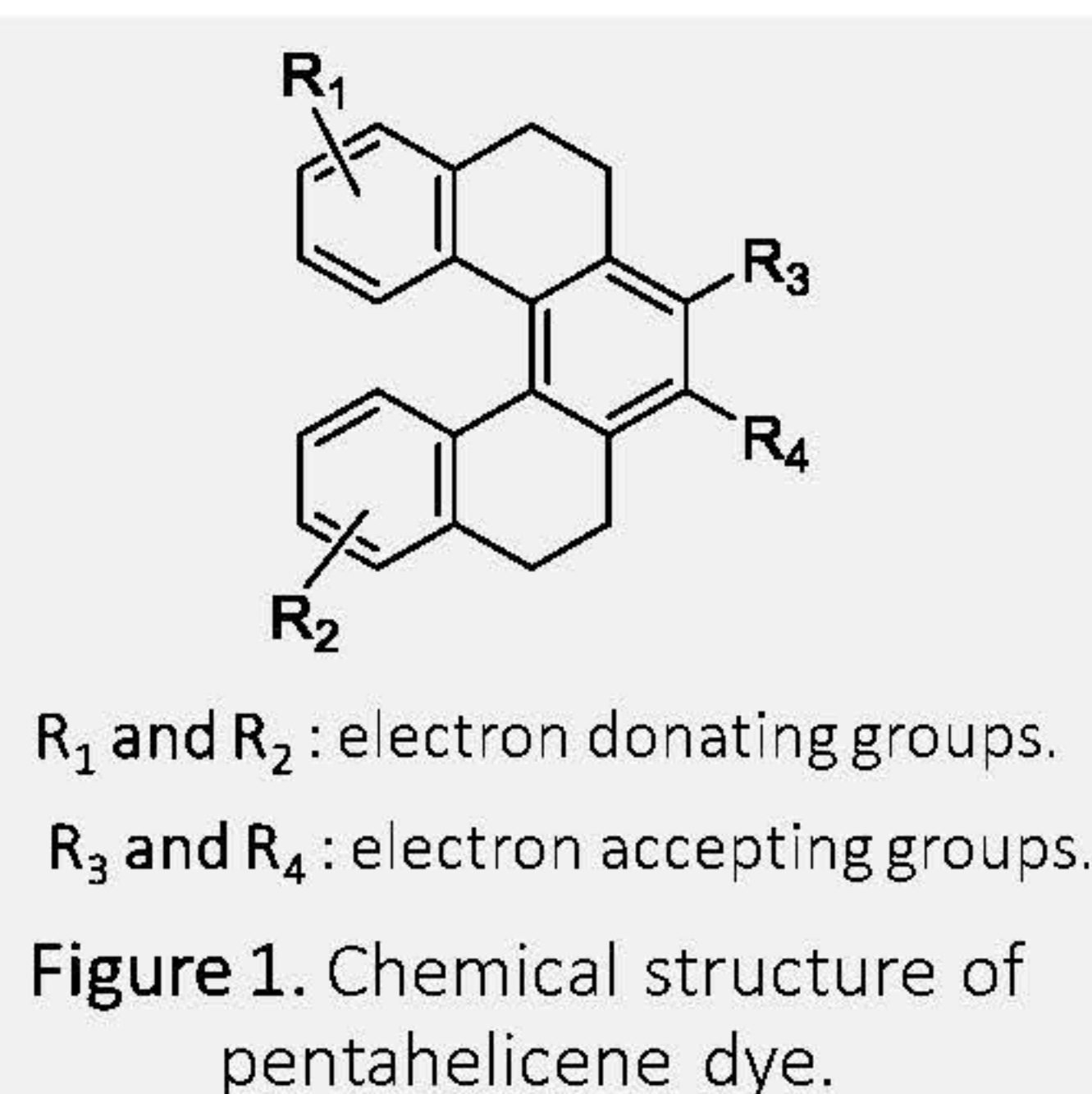
This study is a subproject under “Food Security” project. Thus, the main objective is to develop a fluorescent detection system for EtOH in food samples. The pentahelicene, fluorescent organic dyes, were selected as EtOH sensing molecules because these dyes permitted the excellent optical properties benefiting to analytical process of sensing application. In the preliminary test (3 months progress), some selected fluorescent dyes presented a good sensitivity for EtOH detection which had capability to use as fluorescent sensing molecules for EtOH determination.

Methods

The development procedure of pentahelicene molecules as fluorescent sensing molecule for EtOH detection in this work can be described in the following diagrams.

Molecular design, preparation, and characterization.

- ✓ Organic molecular design by combining pentahelicene derivative, a long p-conjugation core; e-acceptor and e-donor.
- ✓ Synthesis and chemical structure characterization including NMR and IR spectroscopy.
- ✓ UV-Visible spectroscopy and fluorescence studies.



EtOH sensing process.

- ✓ Preliminary screening of selected dyes for EtOH sensing.
- Optimization of sensing system; sample preparation, solvent system and time responsibility.
- Sensitivity studies; limit of detection (LOD), linearity and working range.
- Selectivity and competitive studies; effect of interfering compounds and sensing ability in the presence of interfering species.

Application in real samples.

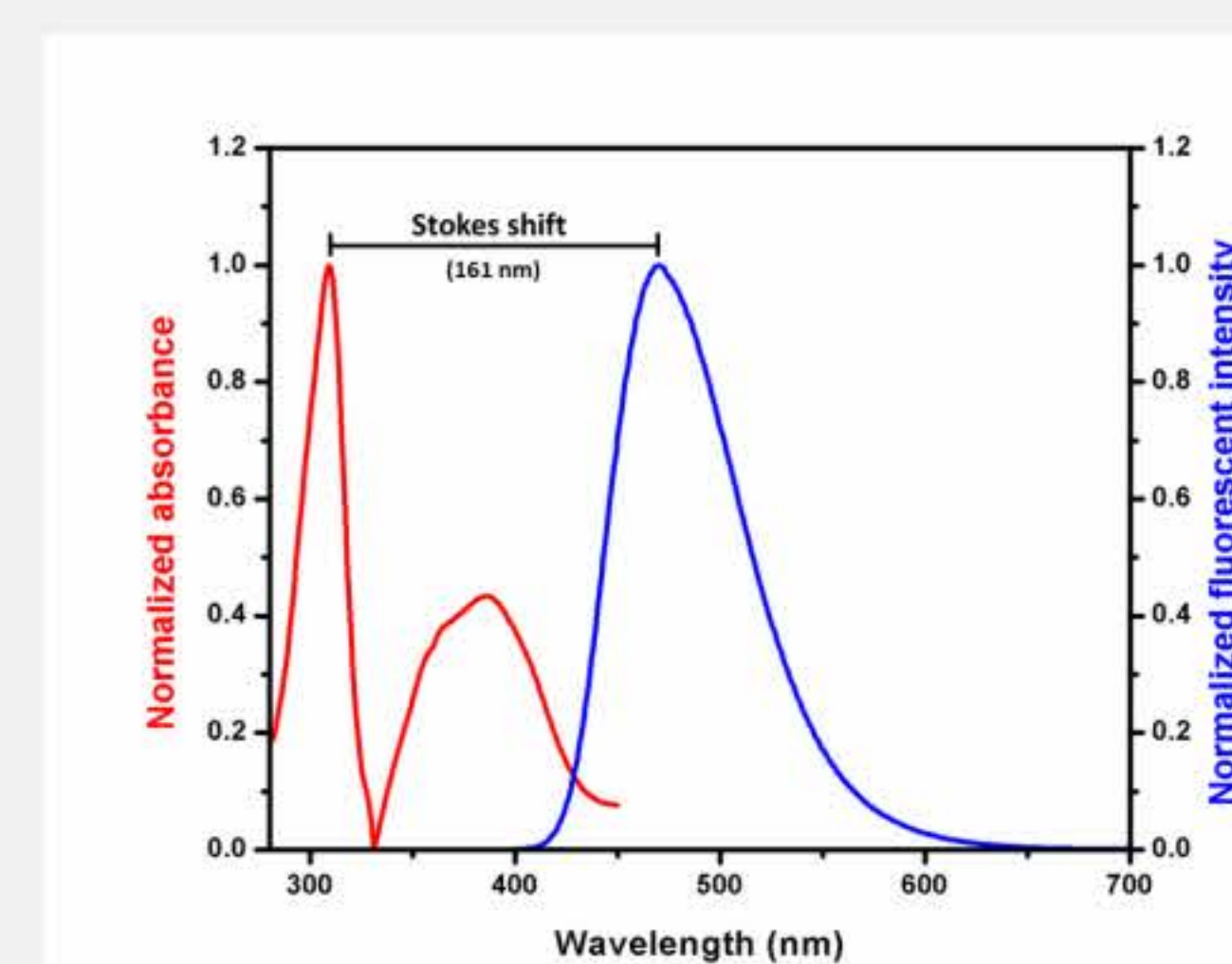
- Real samples selection, i.e., soy sauce.
- Development of sample preparation method; extraction, solvent systems and reaction time.
- EtOH measurement in real samples.
- Validation parameter; accuracy and precision.

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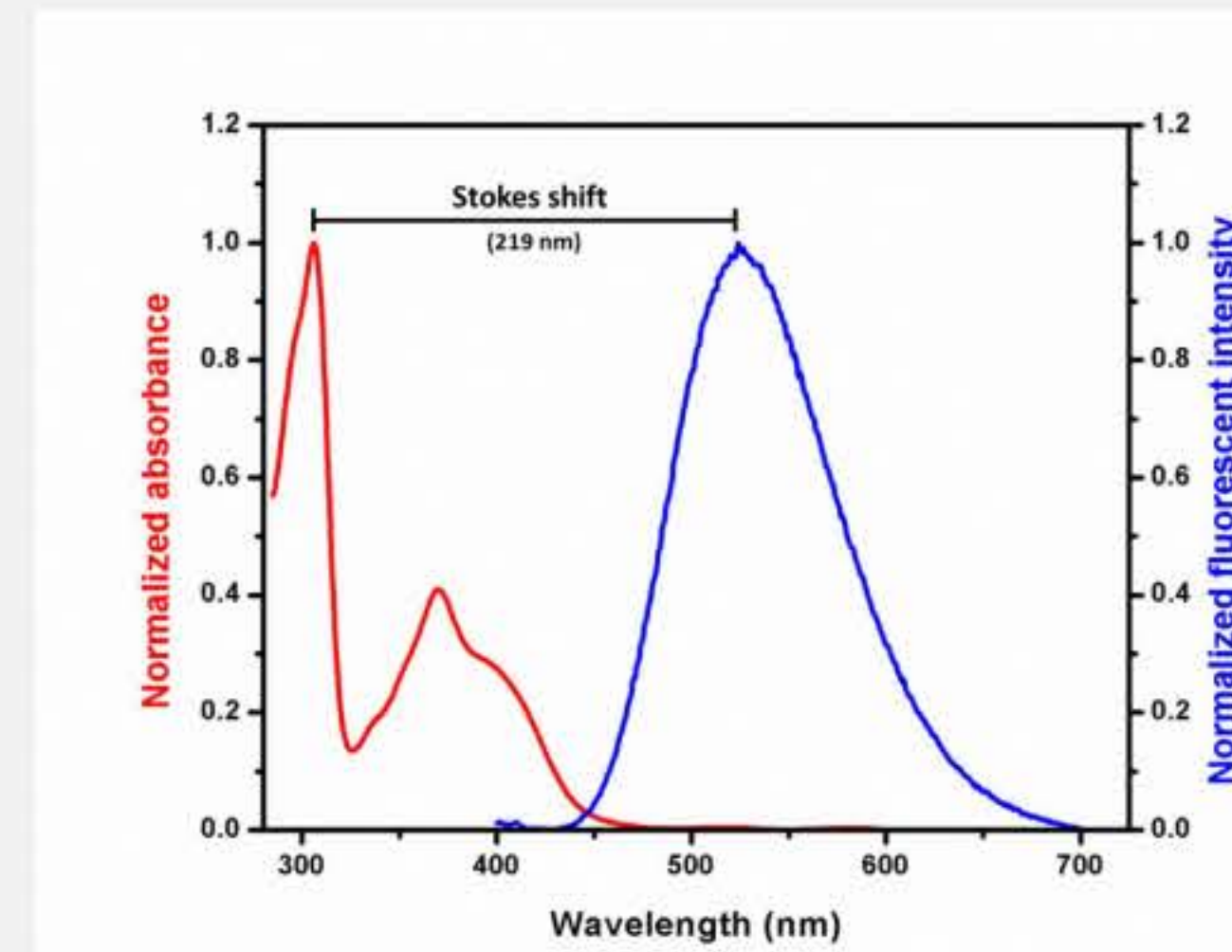
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Results and discussion

Dye 1



Dye 2



Dye 3

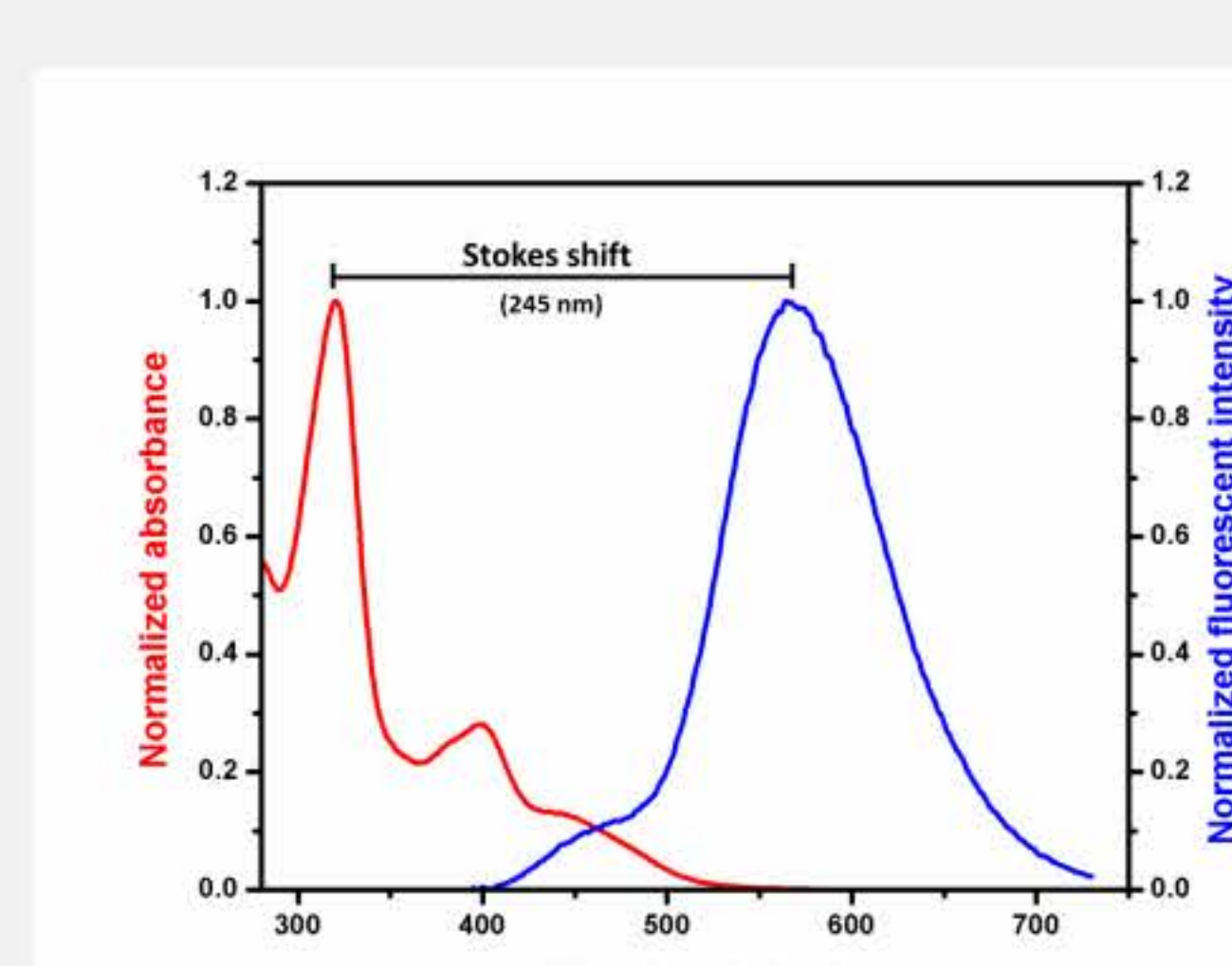


Figure 2. UV-Visible absorption and fluorescent emission spectra of pentahelicene dyes.

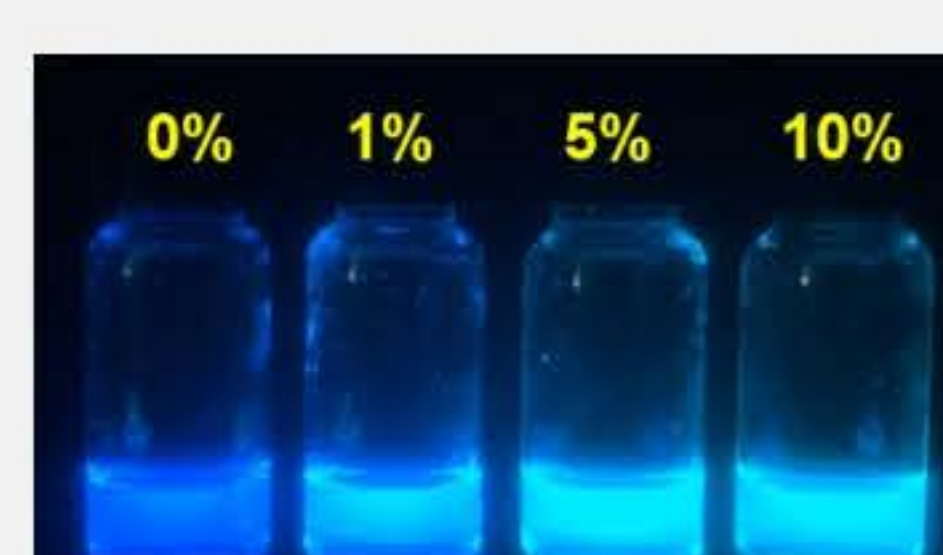
Molecular design, preparation and characterization.

Three pentahelicene derivatives with different substituent groups were designed, synthesized and characterized. Three dyes (**Dye 1**, **Dye 2** and **Dye 3**) exhibited a strong fluorescent emission with the maximum peak at 470, 525 and 565 nm, respectively (**Figure 2**). The designed dyes not only presented a high quantum efficiency but also permitted a large Stokes shift around 100 - 250 nm. Because of their high efficiency of optical properties, these dyes were selected as sensing molecules for EtOH detection.

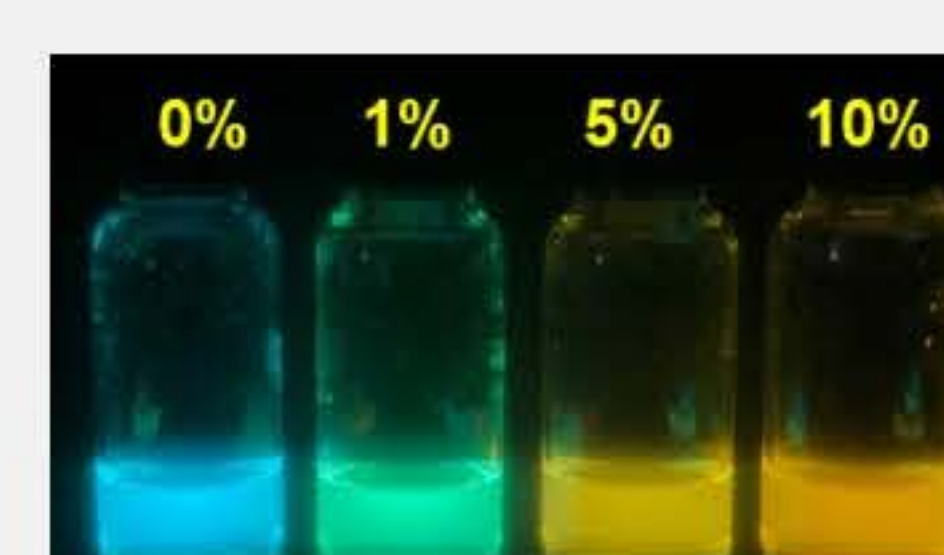
Preliminary screening of EtOH sensing molecules.

Three dyes (**Dye 1**, **Dye 2** and **Dye 3**) as EtOH sensing molecule were quickly screened with EtOH at the concentration of 0, 1, 5, and 10 % v/v by naked eye detection under UV light (**Figure 3**). The emissive color of **Dye 1** was a slight change, while those of both **Dye 2** and **Dye 3** were significant changes (sky blue to orange for **Dye 2** and green to red for **Dye 3**). The results ensured that **Dye 2** and **Dye 3** had the ability to demonstrate for EtOH sensing applications. The EtOH sensing tests of both dyes will be performed, and the results will be described in the next progress report.

Dye 1



Dye 2



Dye 3

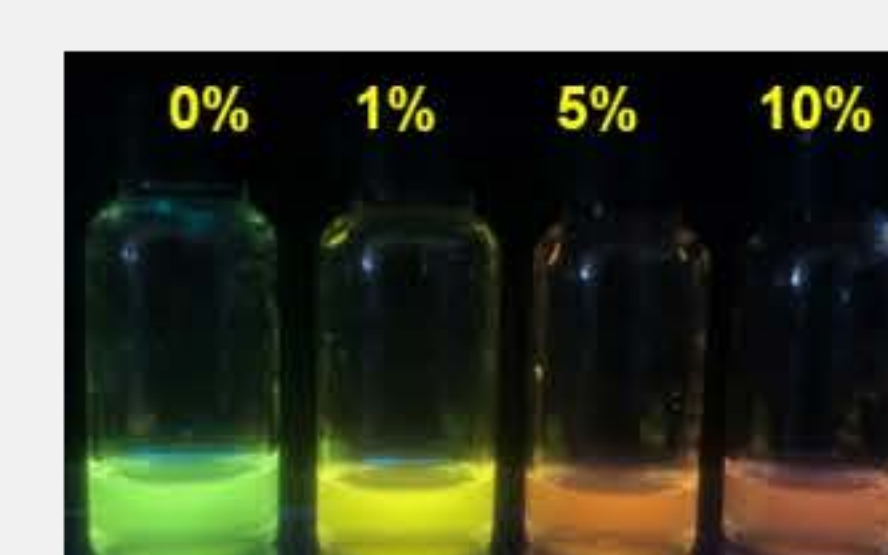


Figure 3. Emissive color of pentahelicene dyes under UV light (365 nm) in the presence of EtOH at different concentration (% v/v)

Conclusion and Future plan

In summary (3 months progress), three dyes were prepared and characterized as EtOH sensing molecule. These dyes exhibited excellent optical properties that were suitable for sensing application. The preliminary sensing results implied that **Dye 2** and **Dye 3** had potential to utilize as EtOH fluorescent sensing molecule. Therefore, both dyes are chosen for intensively study of EtOH sensing process including EtOH sensing optimization, sensitivity, and selectivity; and the progress will be provided in the next report.



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Development of Smart Coatings: Wear and Corrosion-Based Photo Luminescent Sensing for Elevated Temperature Applications

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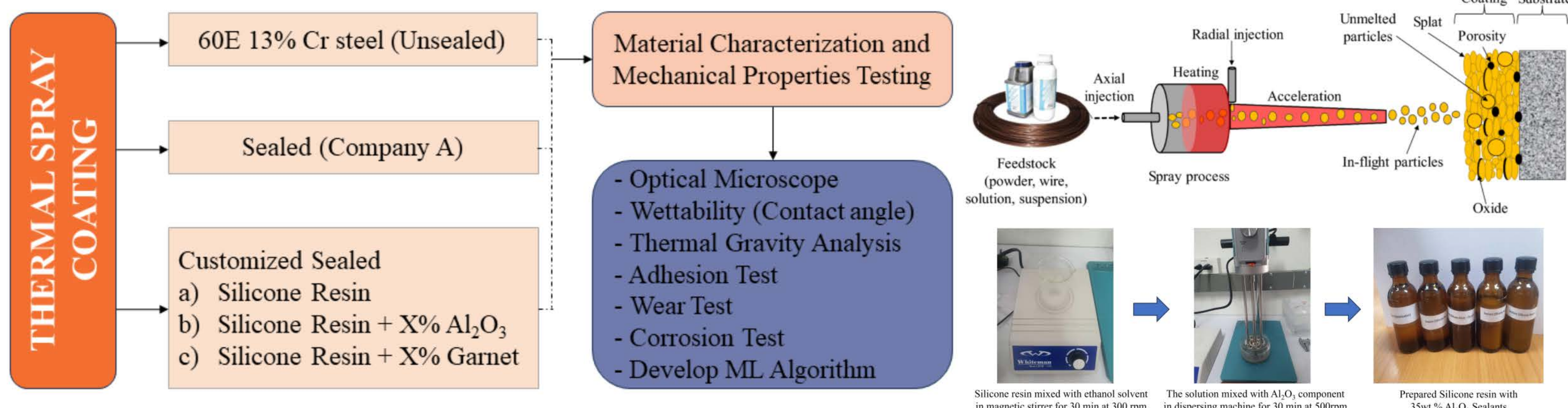
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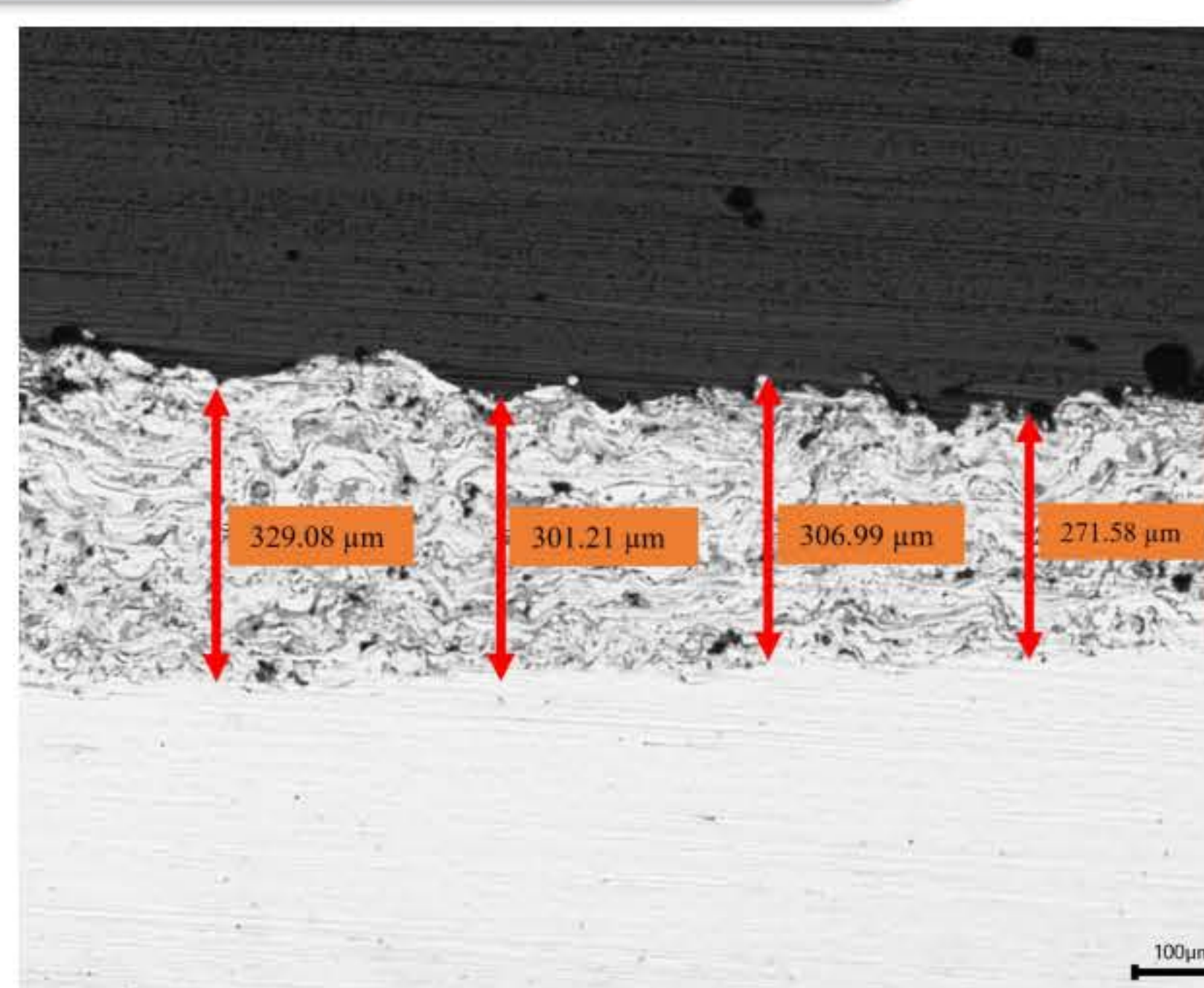
Introduction:

This research initiative aims to develop a cost-effective and versatile coating with unique properties for various applications. The substrate material chosen for this project is SS400, and the target material for the coating is 60E 13%Chrome steel wire with a diameter of 2.3mm, utilizing Thermal Spray Coating Technology. The primary objectives encompass enhancing the wear and corrosion resistance of the coating through a strategic approach involving the incorporation of sealants. These sealants consist of a combination of silicone resin, aluminum oxide, and garnet stone in varying proportions. Furthermore, this research involves an in-depth assessment of the coating's resistance to wear and corrosion, coupled with the analysis of UV intensity signals. The ultimate goal is to establish a comprehensive database of intelligent coatings that can be applied across different industrial sectors. Additionally, the study intends to develop a predictive model for the wear and corrosion of smart coatings, utilizing machine learning techniques.

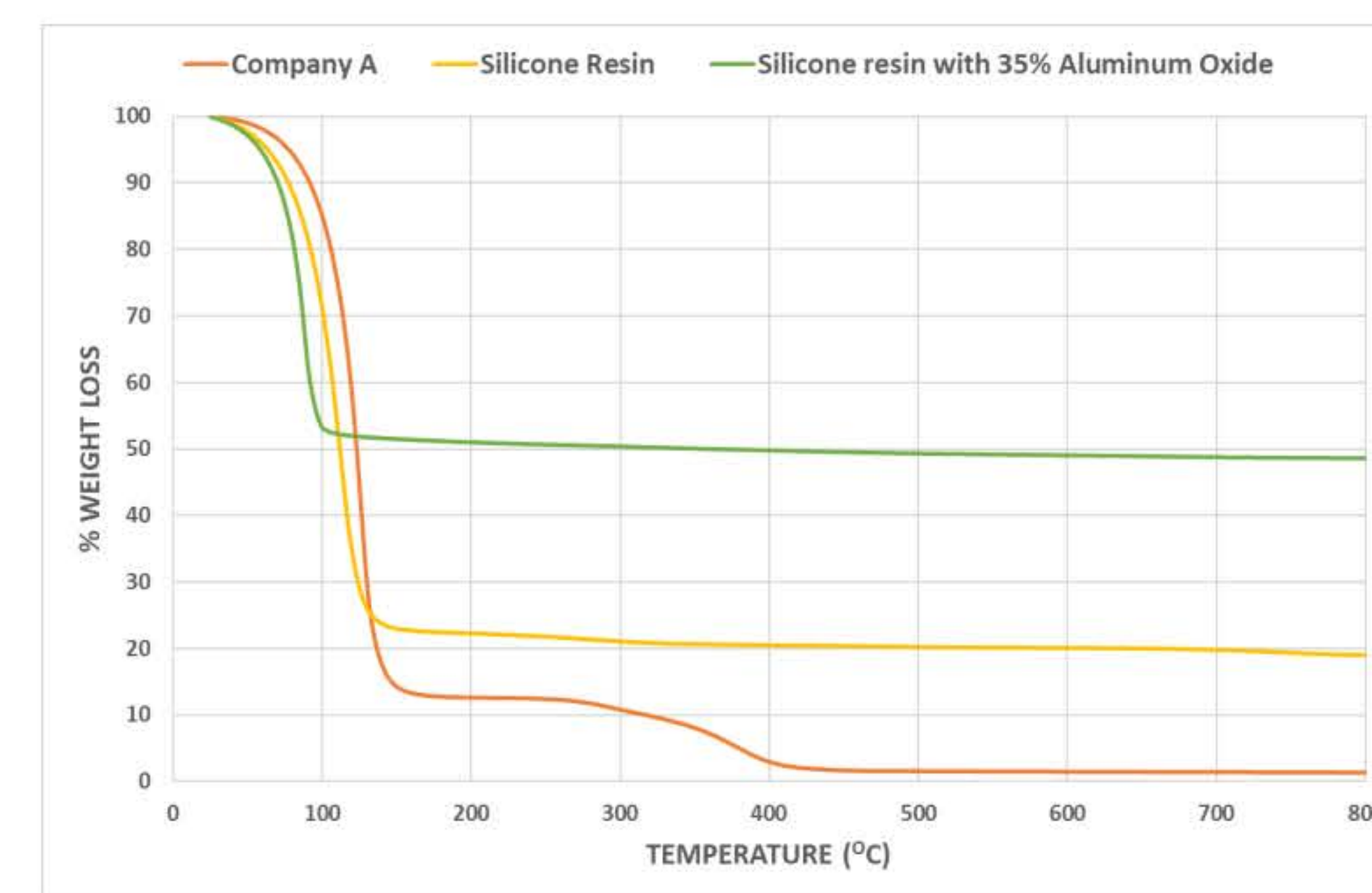
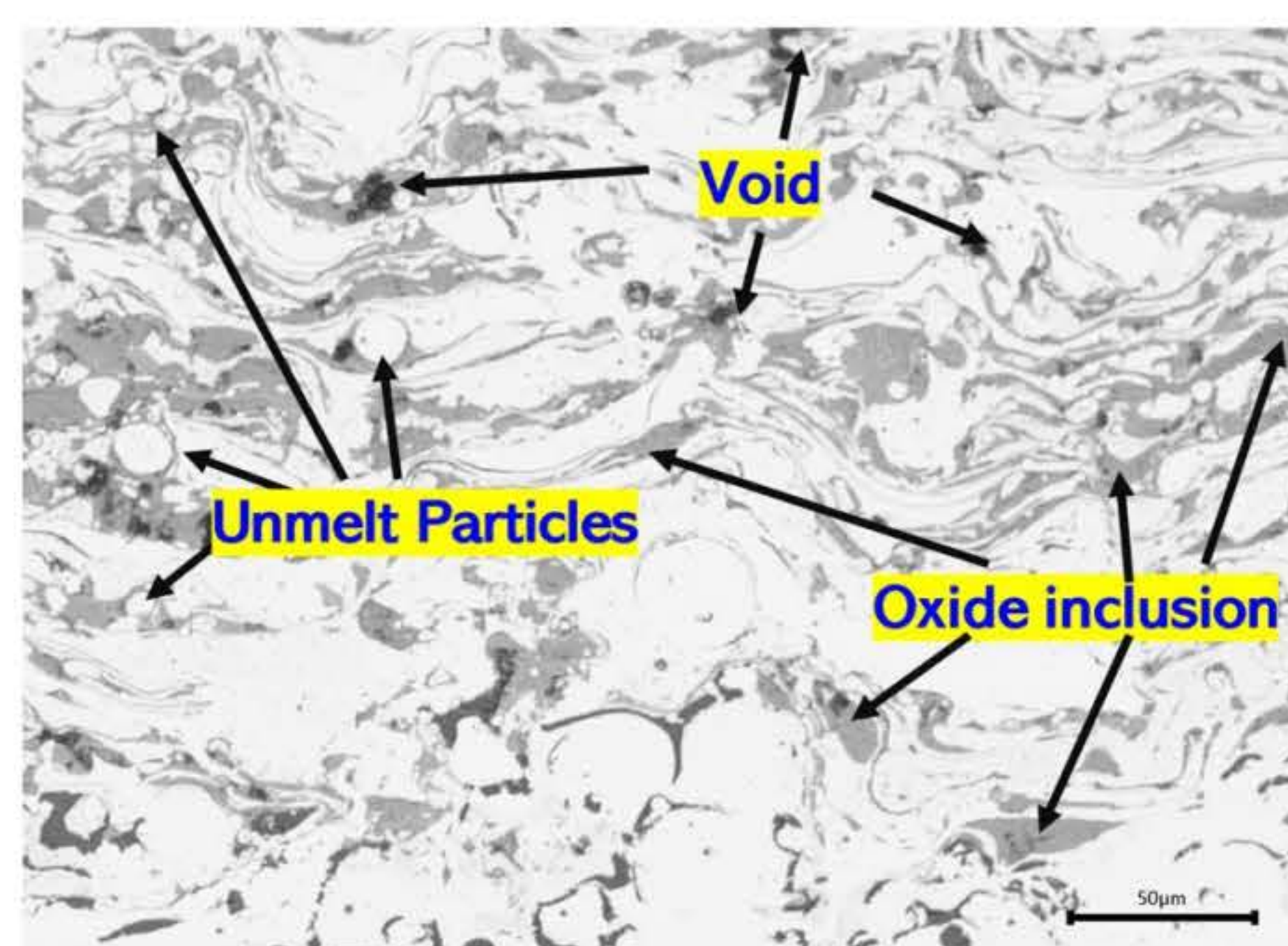
Methodology



Result & Discussion



Optical micrograph of coating



TGA results of sealants

Conclusion

Optical microscopy examination of the coating revealed an average thickness of 296 μm. The porosity was measured at 4.6% using image processing, and the average microhardness of the coating was found to be 362 HV_{0.5}. The TGA results demonstrated that the silicone resin with added Al₂O₃ outperformed when compared with Industry A-grade sealants.

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Development of Coating using Low-Pressure Spray Machine

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Statement of Problem :

The steel industry holds great importance in the country's manufacturing sector. Steel possesses crucial properties like corrosion, wear, and high-temperature resistance, making it a common material across various industries. Carbon steel, in particular, finds widespread use. Heat treatment is a preferred method for enhancing material properties. Surface treatment, a part of the heat treatment process, improves surface properties and extends the lifespan of materials. Hardening processes, like DLC coating or PVD processes using materials such as AlCrN, CrN, TiAlN, and TiN, enhance the surface properties of molds. These processes elevate tool performance in manufacturing by improving wear and corrosion resistance. While heat treatment offers numerous advantages, it also presents challenges, such as distortion due to the high temperature (usually over 700 °C), altering the material's microstructure. Issues like cracking from rapid cooling, time consumption, and limitations in material types, sizes, and shapes are noteworthy. Various alternative processes, such as thermal spray, cold spray, and shot peening, exist for improving material properties. Unlike heat treatment, these processes do not alter the microstructure. However, it's essential to note that the thermal spray process also involves high temperatures. The cold spray process becomes a favorable choice to avoid high temperatures.

The cold spray process has two types: high-pressure cold spray and low-pressure cold spray. The cold spray was a coating deposition technology that uses metal powders as feedstock material. The cold spray was a spray technique capable of producing thick metal and, in some cases, metal–ceramic coatings on metal or ceramic substrates at relatively low temperatures, preserving the initial phase composition of feedstock material. The cold spray process uses high energy or high velocity at low temperatures to make metal particle deformation. If the impact velocity exceeds a threshold value, particles endure plastic deformation and adhere to the surface of the substrate.

This research studying low-pressure cold spray and composite coating. Modify the local machine to produce a composite coating. Focusing on the nozzle can create particle velocity more than the critical velocity of the particle for composite coating with low pressure.

Methods :

- Study the low-pressure cold spray concept using simulation methods (Finite Element Method) and experiment with composite coating (Al/TiN) by selecting velocities from the simulation results (pressure not exceeding 1 MPa)
- Modify the local machine to create a coating layer by constructing a spray gun with a heater and choosing a nozzle similar to the commercial design..

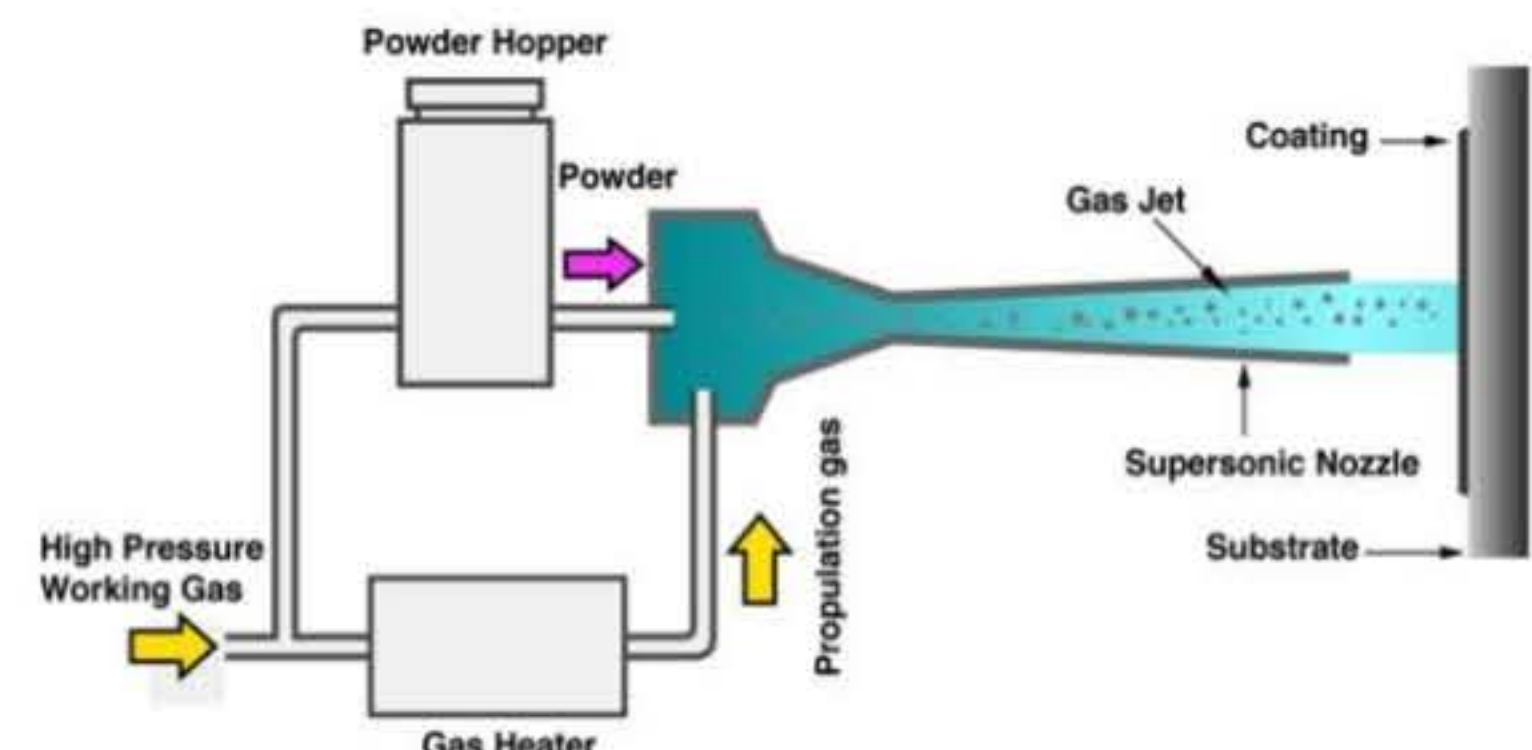


Fig 1. Schematic diagram of cold spray process
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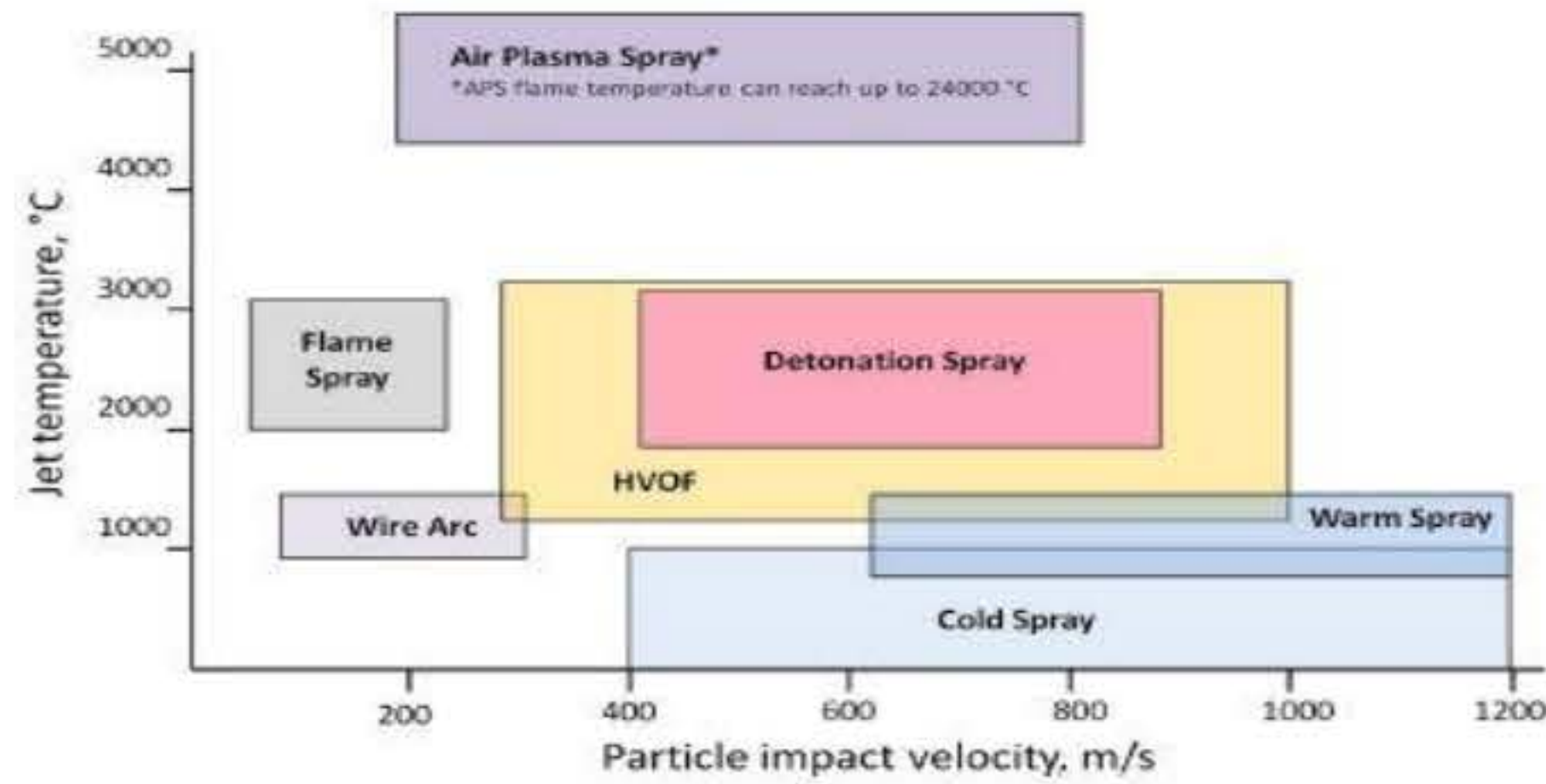


Fig 2. Classification of thermal spray processes in accordance with particle velocity and flame temperature [A.S.M. Ang et al, 2013]

Results & Discussion:

The cold spray part

- Simulation results:
 - Particle velocity (V_p) affects PEEQ; increasing V_p results in an increased PEEQ length (refer to Fig 3.)
 - Particle temperature increases the flattening ratio and reduces the critical velocity of the particle (refer to Fig 4.)
 - Choose a particle velocity of more than 400 m/s (exceeding the critical velocity) to calculate the pressure used in the experiment.
- Experimental results:
 - Temperature during the process affects thickness and hardness; an increase in temperature leads to an increase in hardness (refer to Fig 5.), and thickness (refer to Fig. 6) increase.
 - TiN particle embedding in Al (refer to fig 7.)

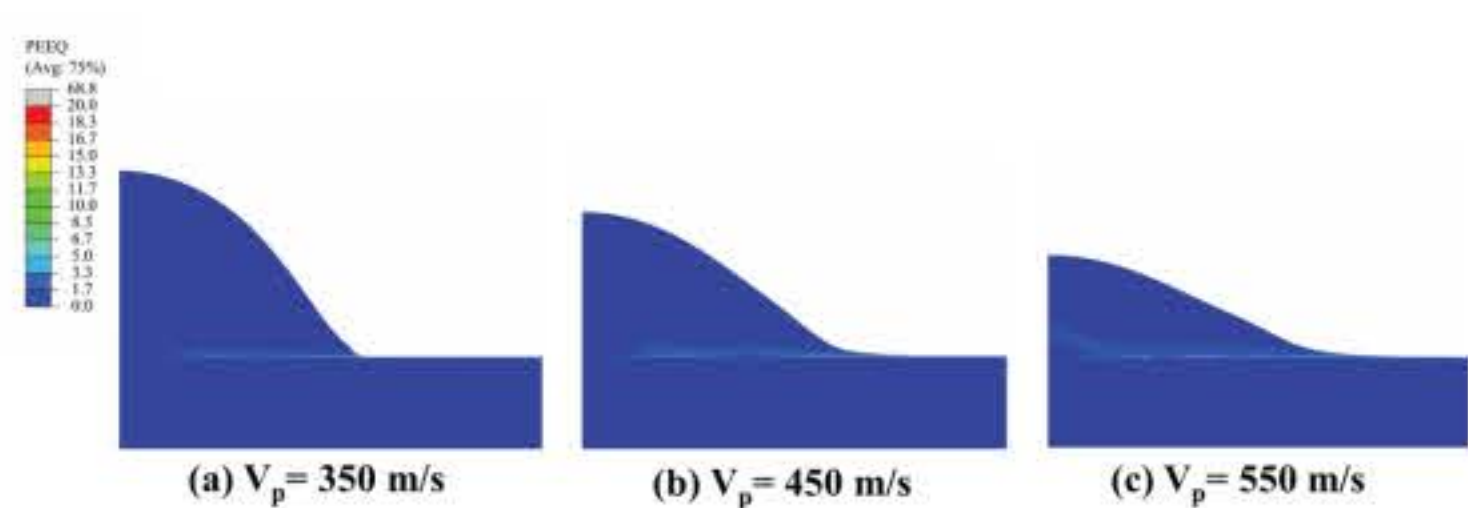


Fig 3. Simulation contour of PEEQ at 30ns of 25 µm Al particles upon an SKD11 hardening substrate at a different particle velocity (Temp 350 °C)

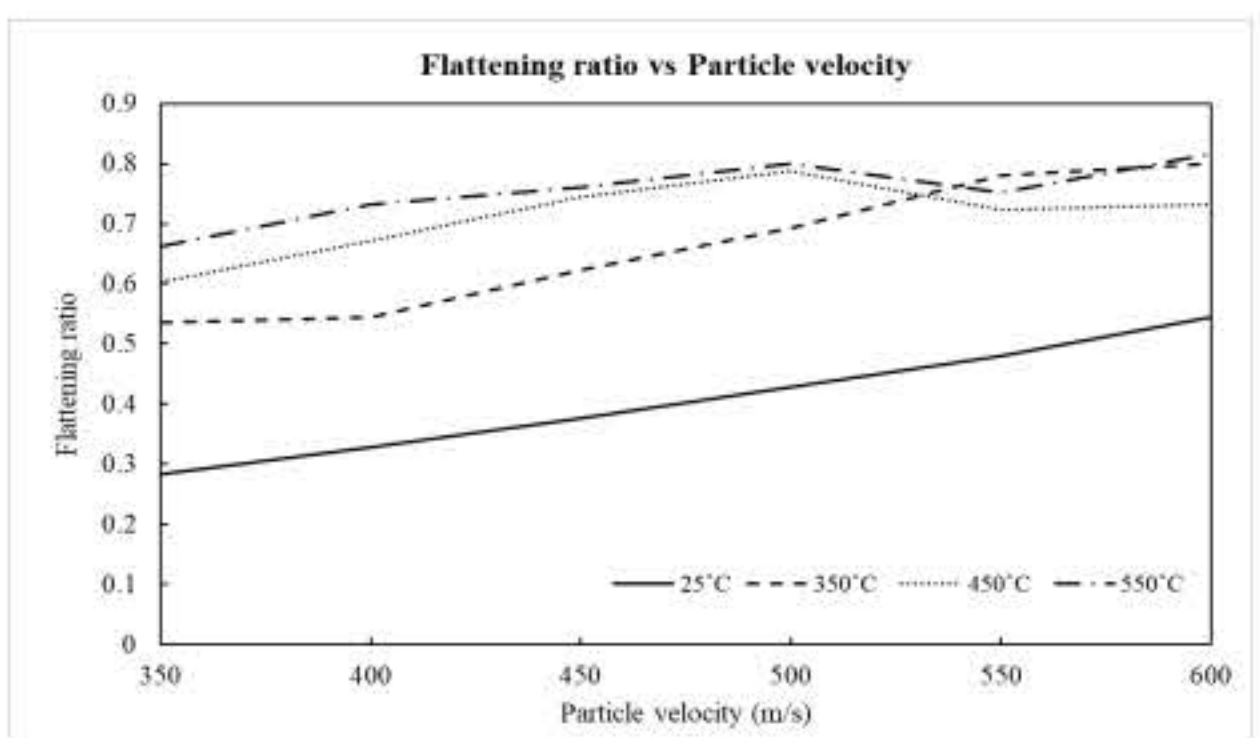


Fig 4. Relationship between the particle velocity and the flattening ratio at different temperatures.

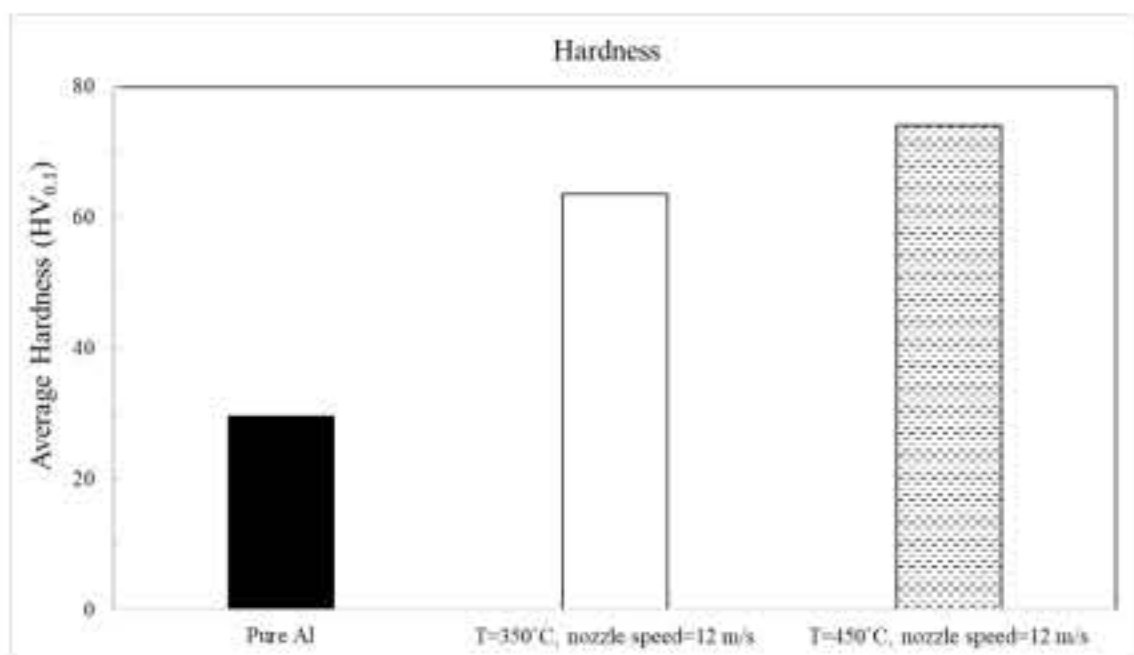


Fig 5. average hardness

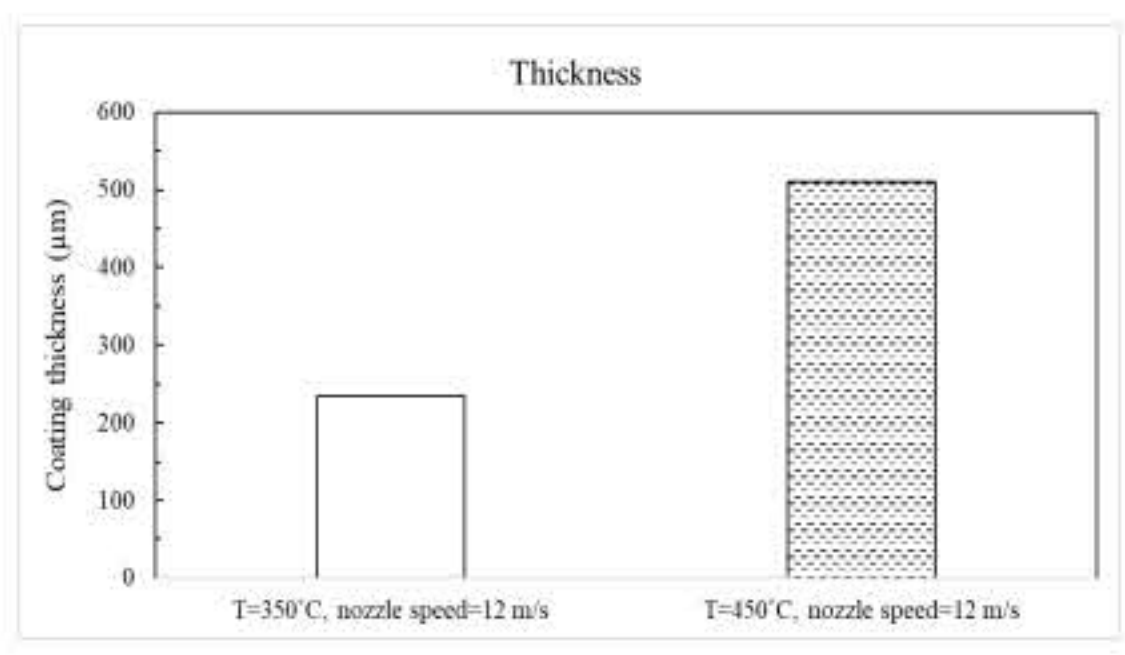


Fig 6. average thickness

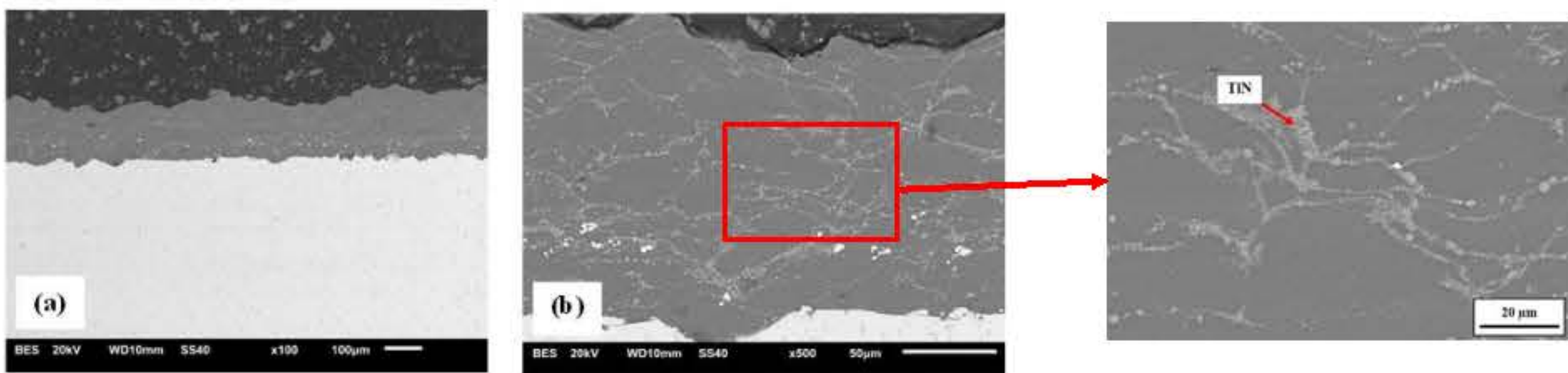


Fig 7. Back-scattered electron micrographs of Al/TiN composite coating at 350 °C

The modified machine part

The particle velocity in cold spray is influenced by the nozzle expansion ratio (i.e., the ratio of the exit area to the throat), except for particle size and density. The particle velocity increases as the nozzle exit diameter increases until the nozzle exit diameter surpasses 2.5 times the nozzle throat diameter, at which point the particle velocity decreases (Li, 2005).

In this work, the throat diameter is designed to be 2 mm, and the exit diameter is 4 mm. This design has been successfully used in the literature (Wen-Ya Li, 2007) (T. Raja Jayasingh, 2014) (refer to Fig. 9).

Some Al/TiN was found on the substrate, confirmed by the EDS results (refer to Figs. 10 - 11), but the layer was thin, with an average thickness of 3.049 µm.

Limitations: pressure 0.6 MPa, temperature input 650 °C, output 300-350 °C.

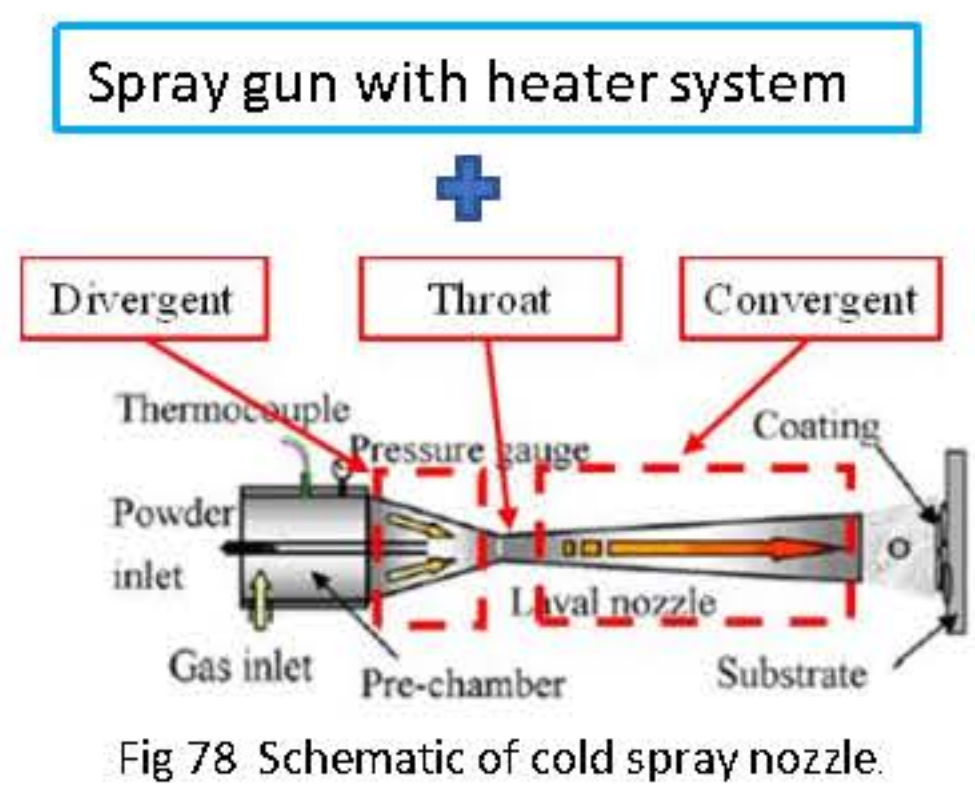


Fig 78 Schematic of cold spray nozzle.

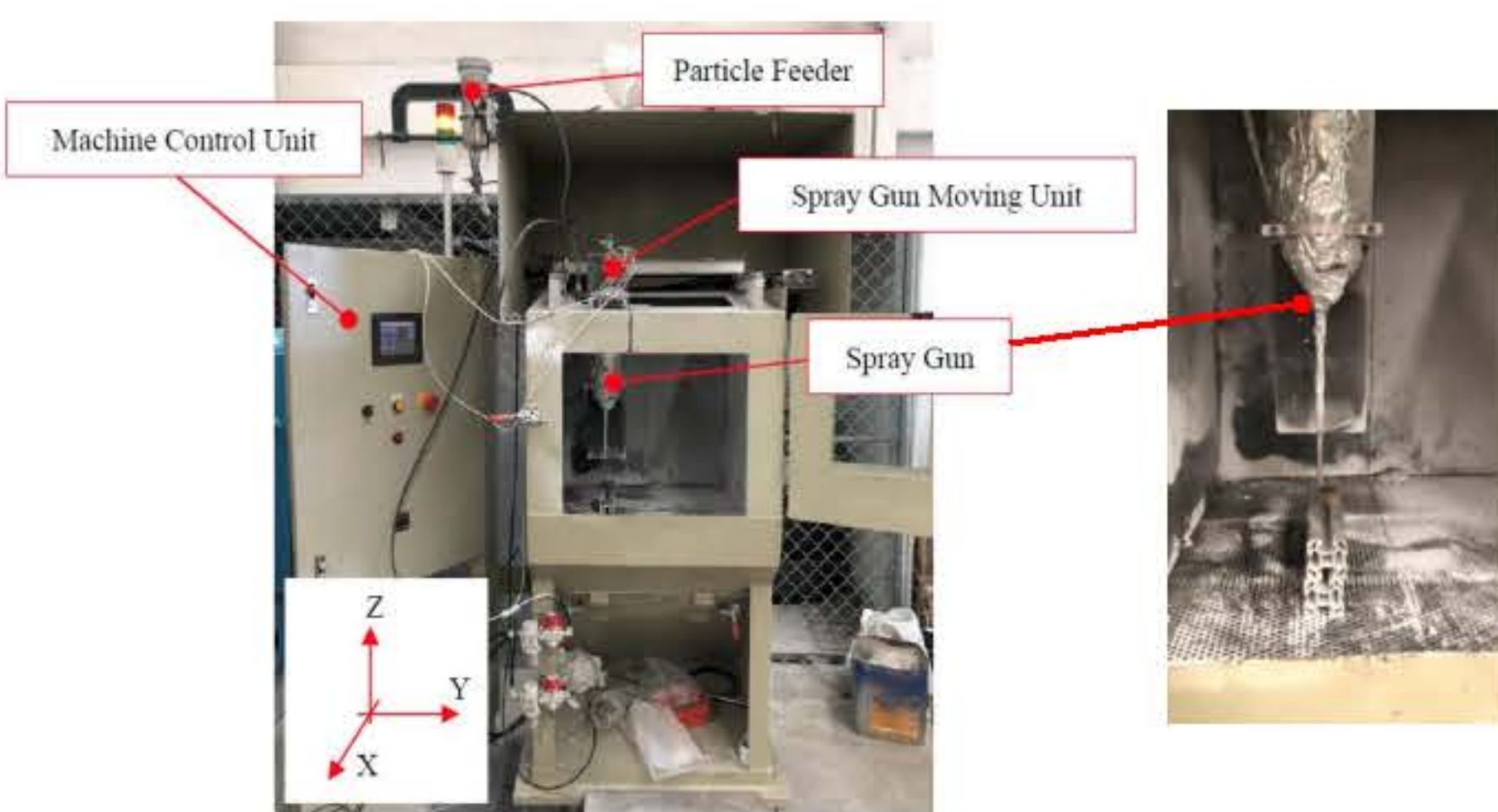


Fig 9. The developed spray machine prototype

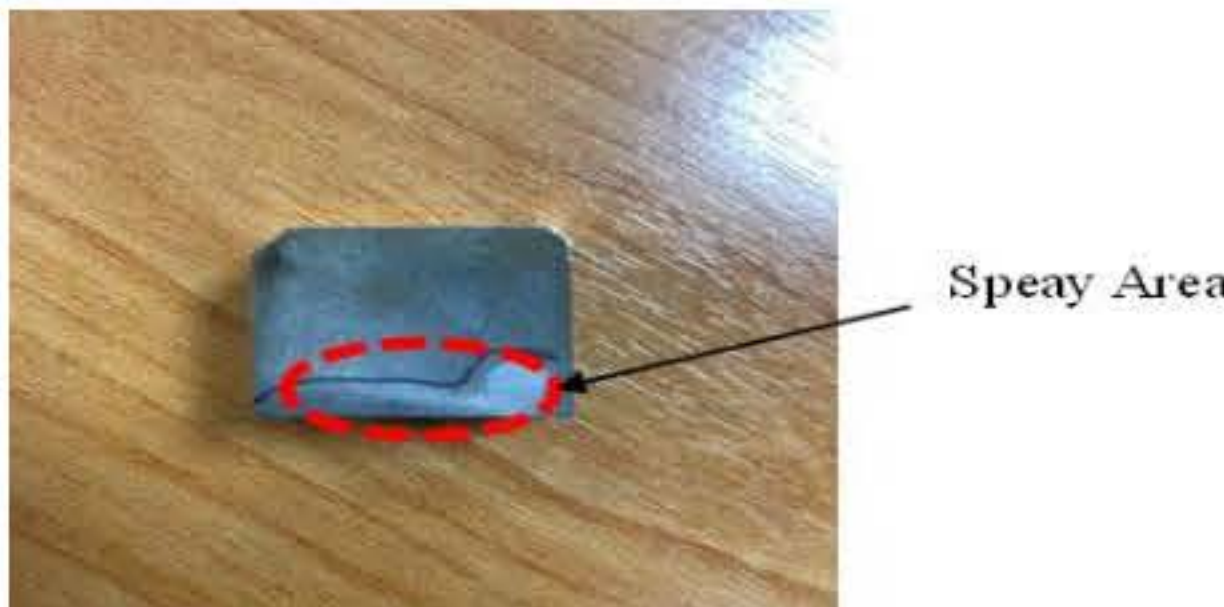
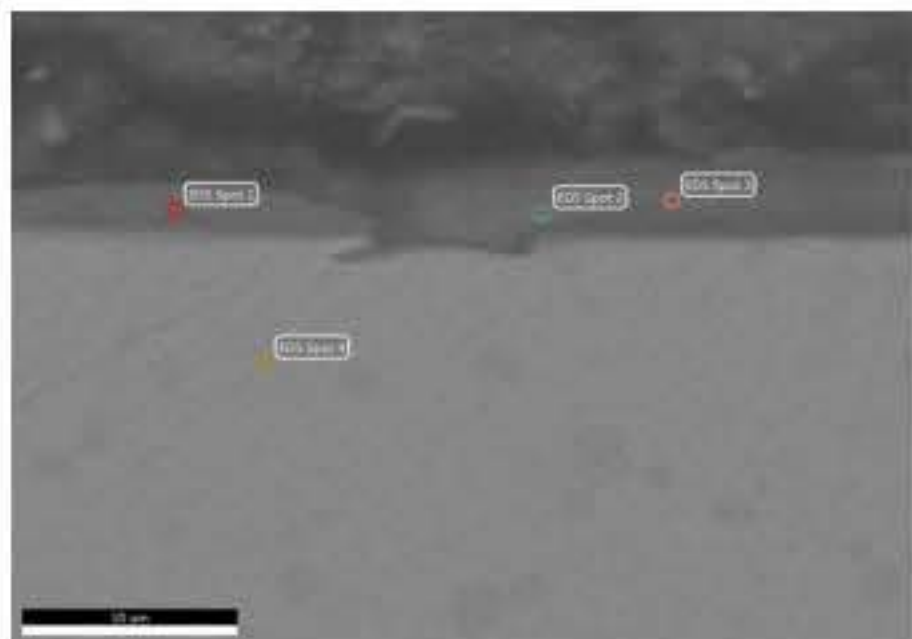


Fig 10. Workpiece surface after spraying with Al/TiN



| Spectrum | C | N | O | Al | Ti | Cr | Fe | Total |
|----------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|-------|
| 1 | 30.0 | 0.6 | 3.4 | 0.2 | 3.3 | 5.8 | 56.7 | 100 |
| 2 | 31.9 | 0.6 | 3.7 | 0.2 | 3.3 | 10.3 | 50.0 | 100 |
| 3 | 32.8 | 0.7 | 3.8 | 0.1 | 2.9 | 5.3 | 54.3 | 100 |
| 4 | 21.8 | - | - | - | - | 6.1 | 70.8 | 100 |

Fig 11. EDS measuring positions (Al/TiN)

Conclusion:

- Use Finite Element Method (FEM) to study characteristic particles on the substrate and predict microstructure properties based on the flattening ratio.
- The prototype spray machine can produce a thin or non-uniform coating, but this marks a good starting point for developing the machine, particularly focusing on the nozzle part.

In the future, it will be possible to modify this machine to create a thick and even coating. This can be achieved by changing the powder feeder system and renewing the nozzle design to suit this machine.

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Development of Thermal-Based NDT Technique to Detect Defect Areas

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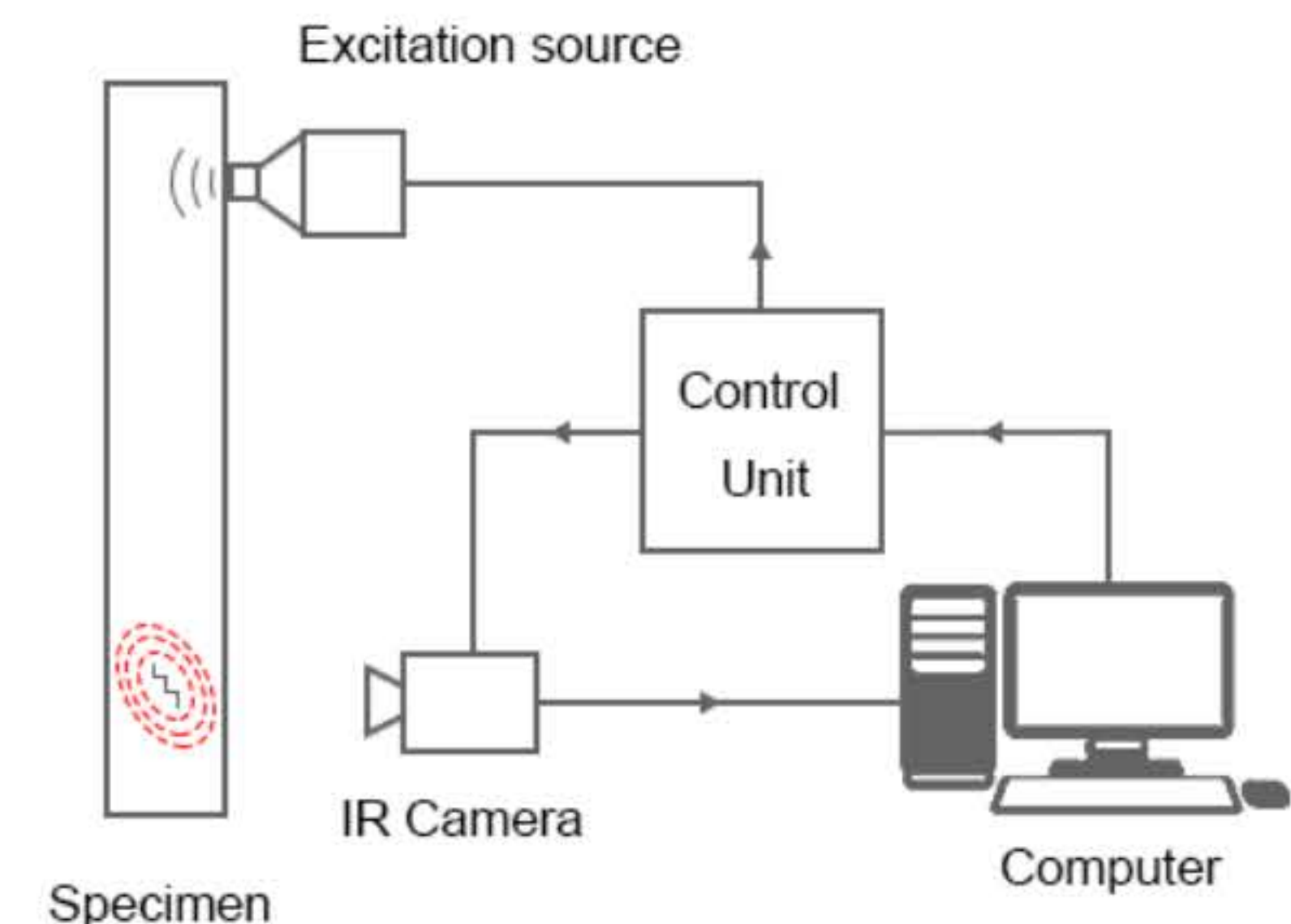


Statement of Problem

Inspection is a fundamental process for assessing the condition of components within industrial systems, playing a significant role in ensuring their reliability and preventing operational failures. Nondestructive testing (NDT) techniques have been widely adopted for industrial inspection, with Ultrasonic Testing (UT) and Eddy-Current Testing (ECT) being the preferred methods due to their precision and accuracy. Both UT and ECT rely on the transmission of inspection waves through the object being examined, facilitating the detection of surface and subsurface defects. However, these methods require surface preparation and experienced inspectors, leading to time-consuming inspections and limited coverage. Reducing the inspection time is an industrial interest that is requisite to optimize the industrial operation.

Recent advancements in inspection methods have introduced thermal-based techniques, such as Infrared (IR) camera integration, to capture temperature variations in a broader range. A novel approach known as "Vibrothermography" (VT) emerged, combining IR cameras with ultrasonic welders as excitation sources. VT subjects the object to vibrations induced by the ultrasonic welder, and defects like cracks convert mechanical energy into heat, detected as a temperature rise by the coupled IR camera. VT promises quicker and more comprehensive defect detection, as demonstrated by Fravo et al.'s experimental study. However, the exact mechanisms behind the heating in VT remain unclear, necessitating a deeper understanding of the method for its optimal development.

This study aims to advance the practical application of Vibrothermography (VT) in industrial inspections and identify its limitations. The study endeavors to combine experimental and computational approaches to explain the behavior of inspected parts during VT inspections. This effort seeks to develop thermal-based prediction for defect detection, offering a more efficient and effective alternative to conventional inspection methods.



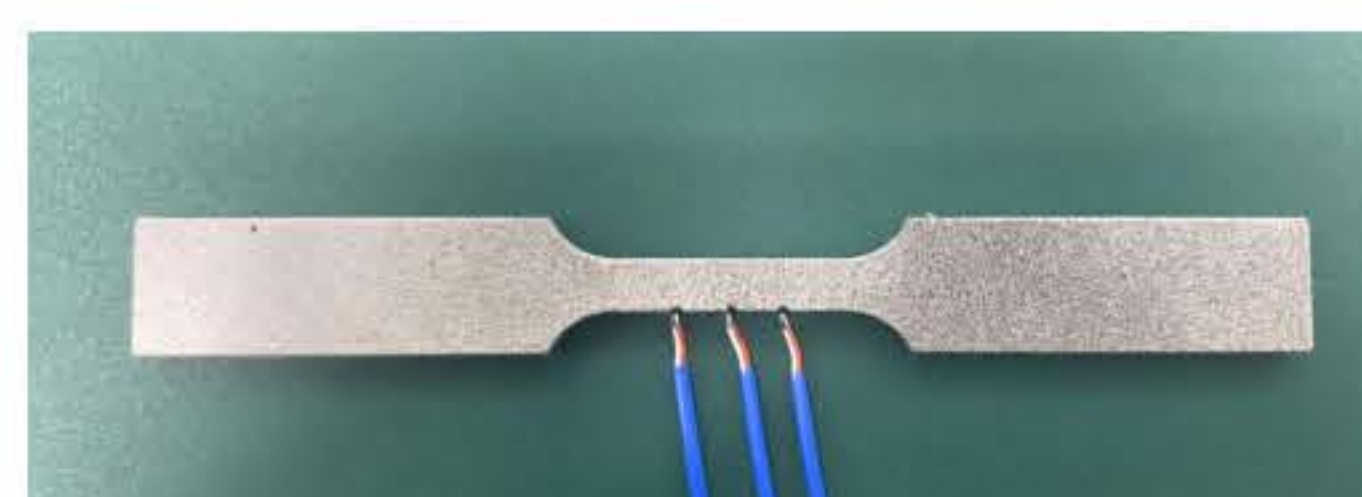
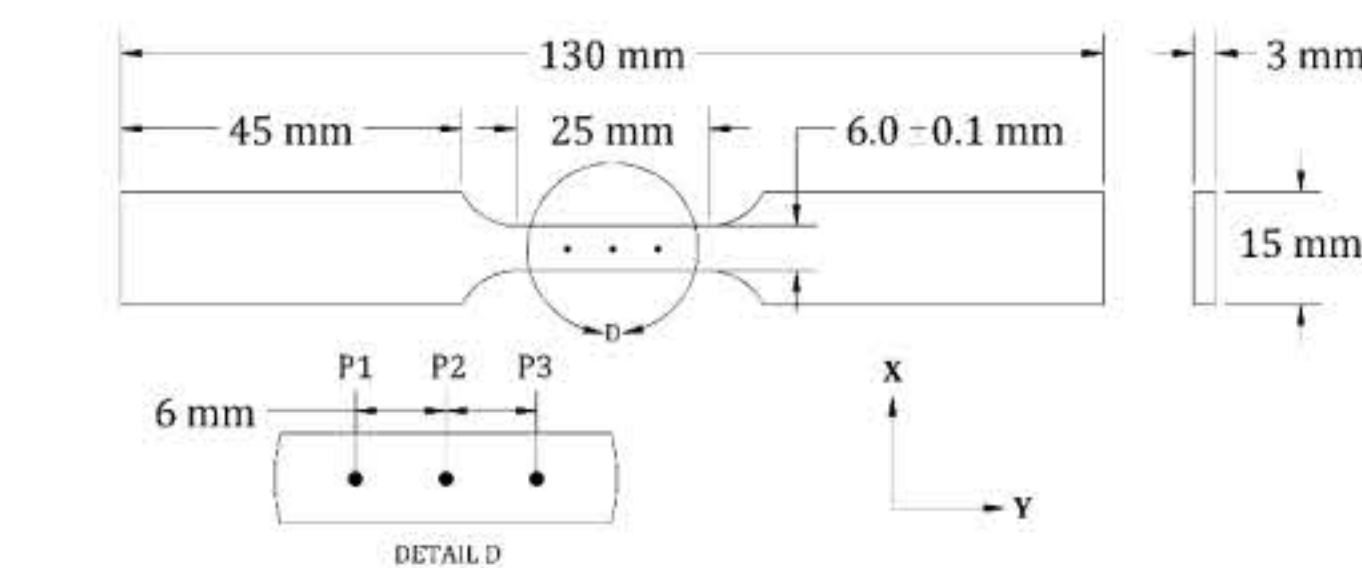
Vibrothermography inspection method

Method

For the preliminary study, the studies primarily investigated the behavior of temperature induced during structural deformation based on deformation-induced heating. The shaft material such as SCM440 steel was selected for the investigation. Two approaches were observed parallelly, the experimental-based study was conducted to investigate the relationship between the temperature and deformation strain. For the computational-based study, vibrothermography was virtually applied on the SCM440 shafts with and without a crack to investigate the strain behavior under ultrasonic excitation.

Experiment: Temperature-Strain Relationship

- Material: SCM440 Steel.
- Testing Conditions:
 - Uniaxial tensile testing with a controlled speed of 0.5 mm/min.
 - ASTM E8 standard specimens with marked inspection points.
 - Aiming temperature and deformation strain during the test.
- Equipment Used:
 - Epsilon extensometer for gauge strain measurement.
 - K-type thermocouples coupled with NI-9213 module for temperature measurement
 - GOM ARAMIS DIC for localized strain measurement at marked inspection points.



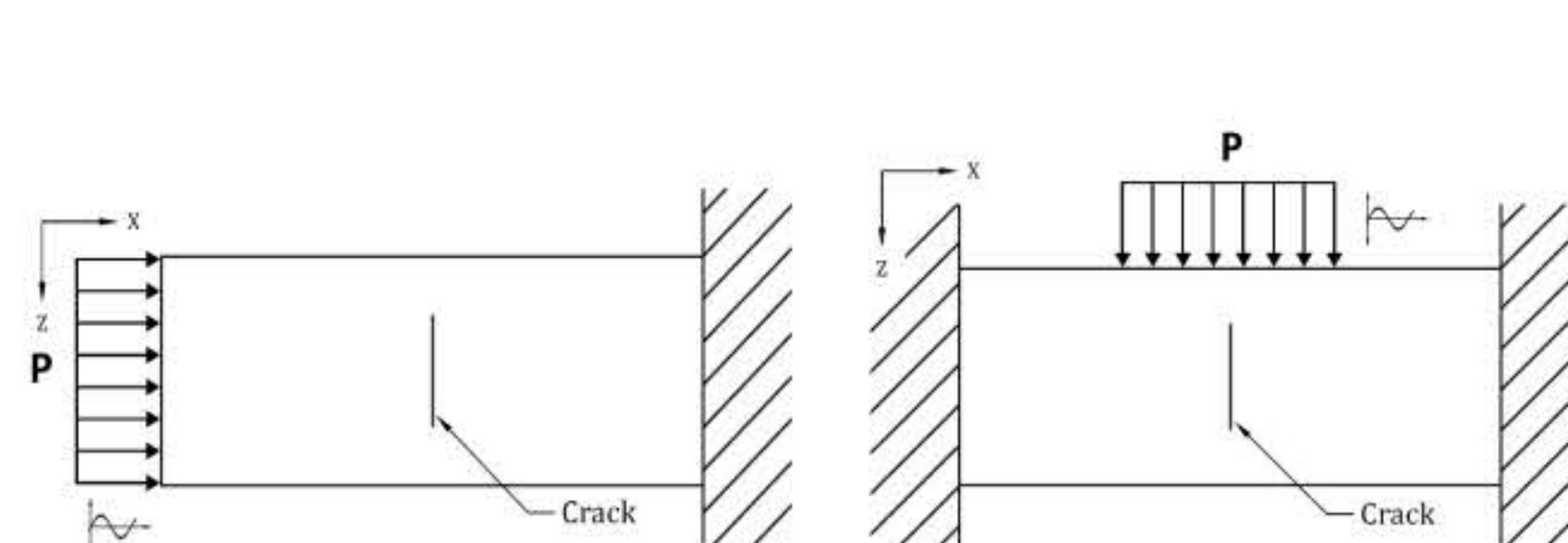
Tensile specimen



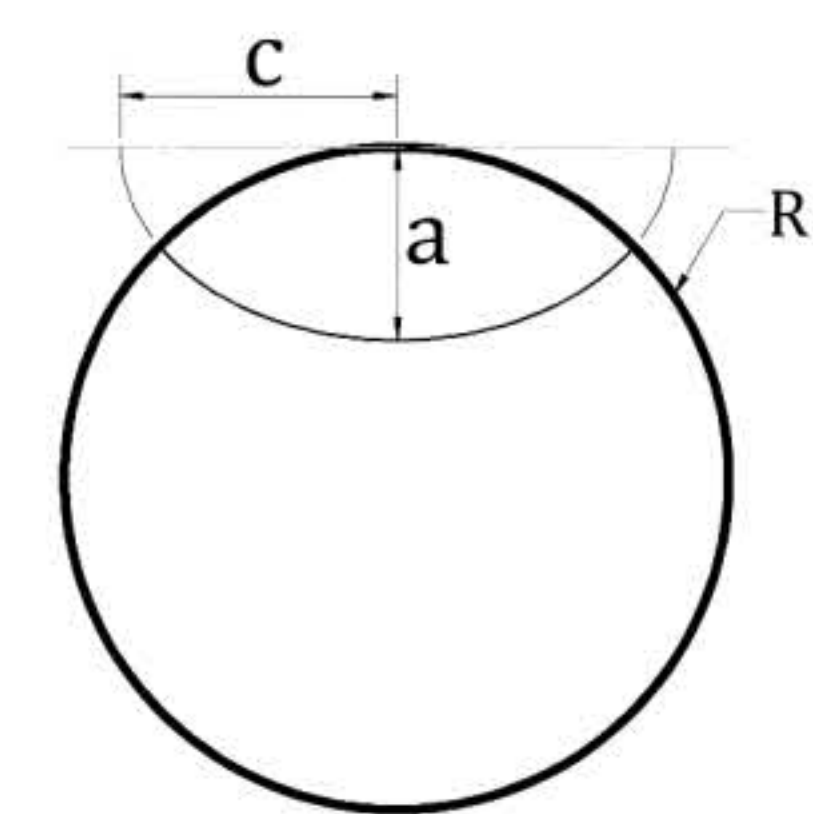
Setup

Simulation: Strain Behavior of Cracked and Uncracked Shafts under Excitation

- ABAQUS FEA: Implicit-dynamic analysis.
- Cracked and Uncracked shafts subjected to vibrate with a low-power ultrasonic transducer.
- Aiming strain distribution under excitation.
- Controlled Parameters of Semi-Elliptical Crack Geometry:
 - $\alpha = a/R = 0.05, 0.1, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1$.
 - $\beta = a/c = 0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1$.
- Testing Conditions:
 - Axial excitation with cantilever support.
 - Transverse excitation with fixed ends support.



Excitation conditions



Crack controlled parameters

Results & Discussion

Experiment:

During uniaxial tensile testing, the specimen's temperature (T) continuously increased with deformation, described as:

$$T = T_0 + \Delta T$$

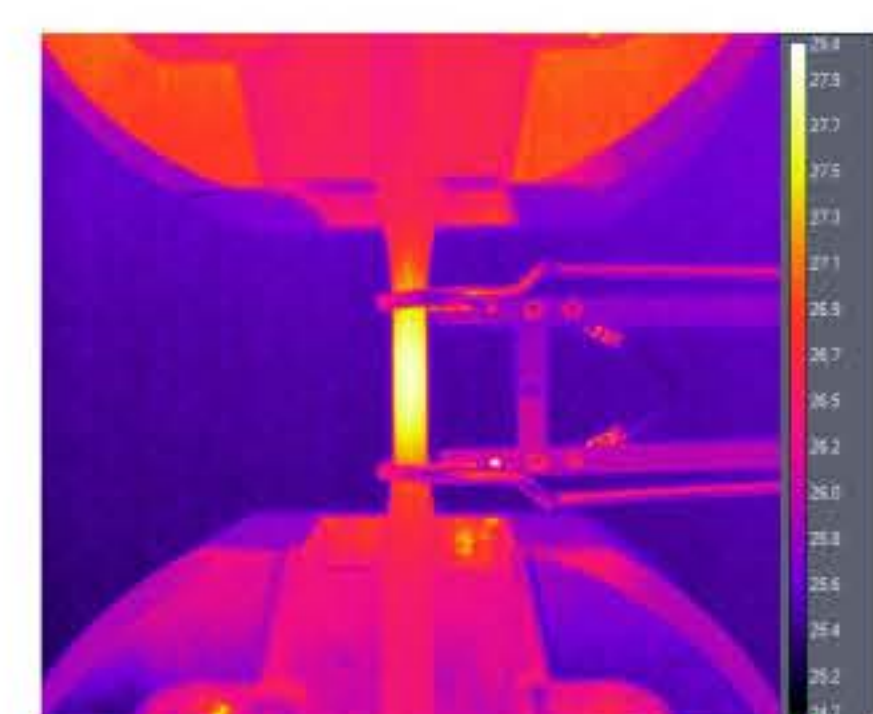
where, T_0 is initial temperature and ΔT is temperature change.

For the temperature-strain relationship, the temperature and strain values at the inspection points were collected and the means were determined. The mean temperature change was then plotted against the mean true strain, taking into consideration the state prior to necking, due to the consistency of the specimen deformation ($\epsilon_{eq,uni}$). The polynomial curve fitting exhibits a strong fit with $R^2 = 0.9985$ and can be expressed as follows,

$$\Delta T = -86.515\epsilon_{eq,uni}^2 + 26.437\epsilon_{eq,uni} - 0.0758 \quad (2)$$

Prediction of temperature based on the temperature-strain relationship

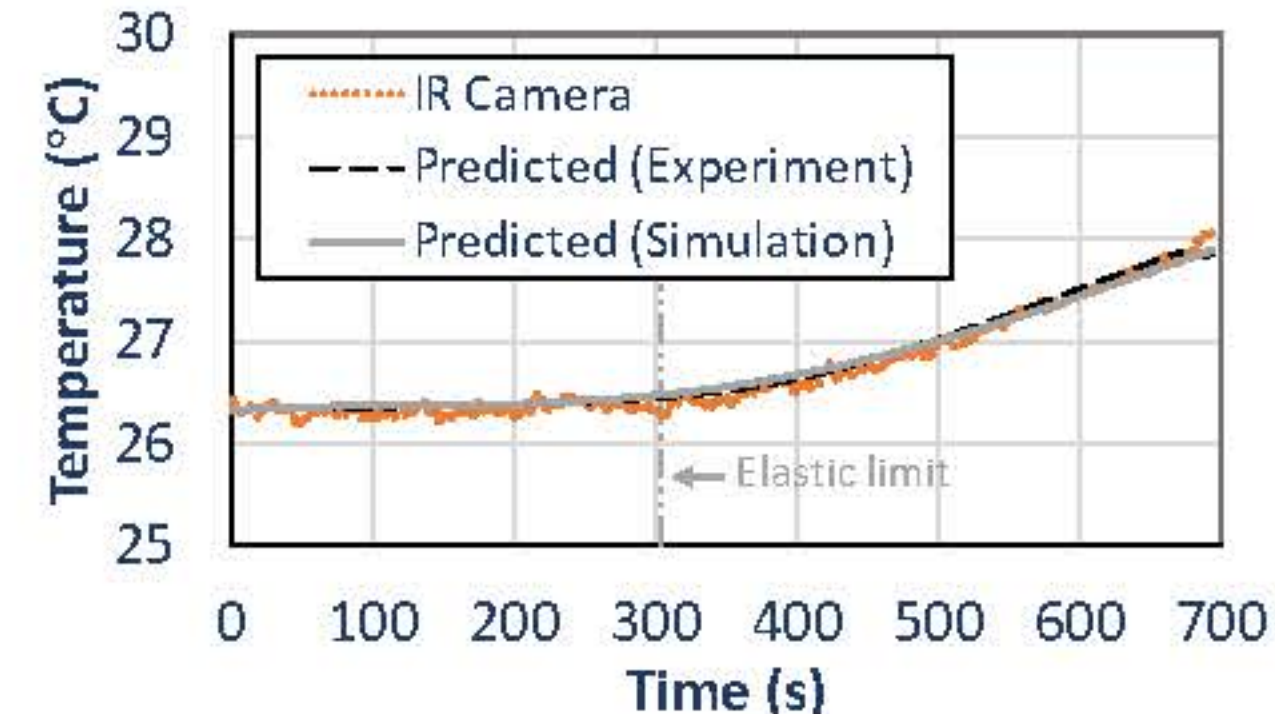
- Temperature prediction under similar conditions of uniaxial tensile testing.
- Considering temperature induced in gauge section prior to necking.
- Equipment Used:
 - Epsilon extensometer for gauge strain measurement.
 - FLIR a655sc IR camera for temperature measurement.
- Strain alterations were obtained from both experiment and Finite Element Method (FEM)
- Strains were sequentially substituted into Eq. (2) and Eq. (1) for predicted temperatures.
- Temperature gradient and the computational strain distribution reveal a comparable color contour.
- Estimation Accuracy:
 - Good estimation with a maximum absolute error of approximately 0.4 °C



IR camera



FEM



Temperature prediction

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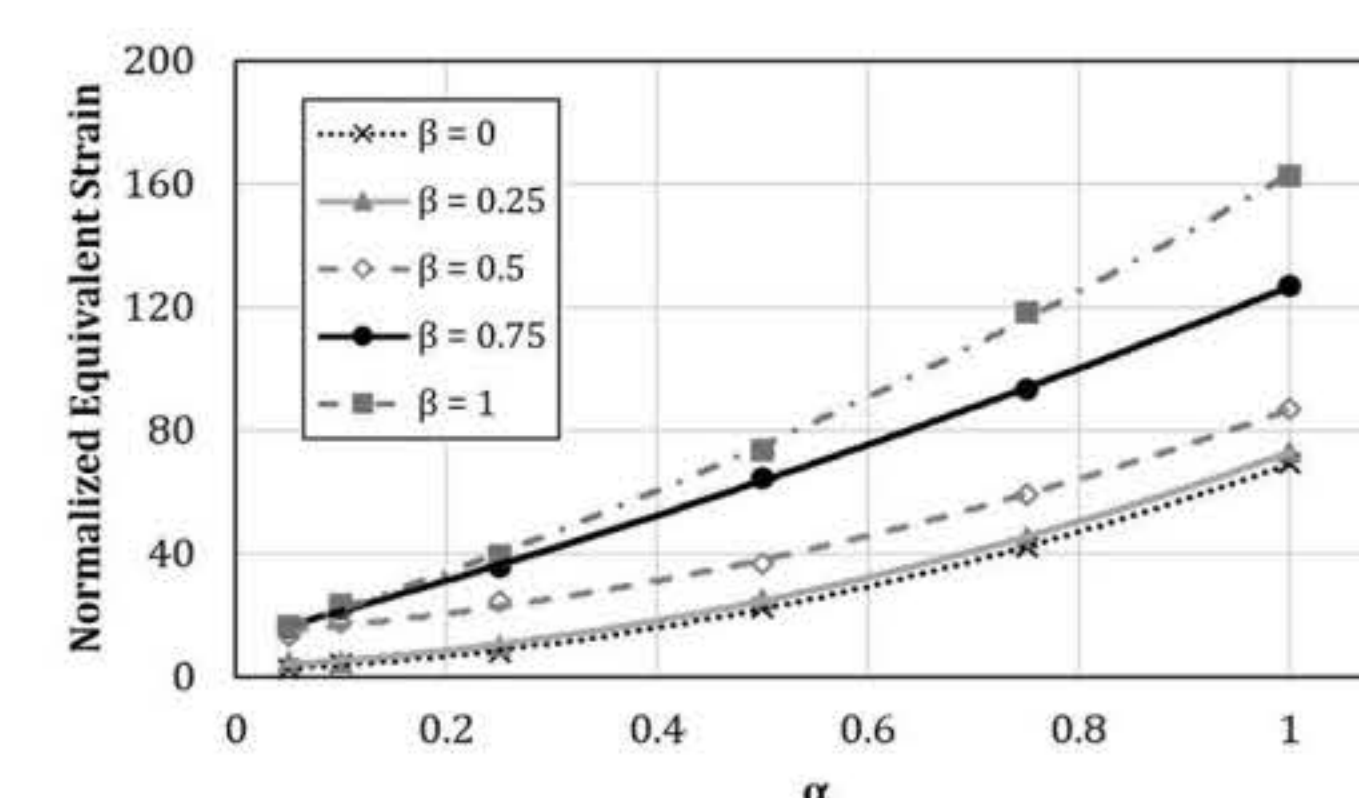
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Conclusion

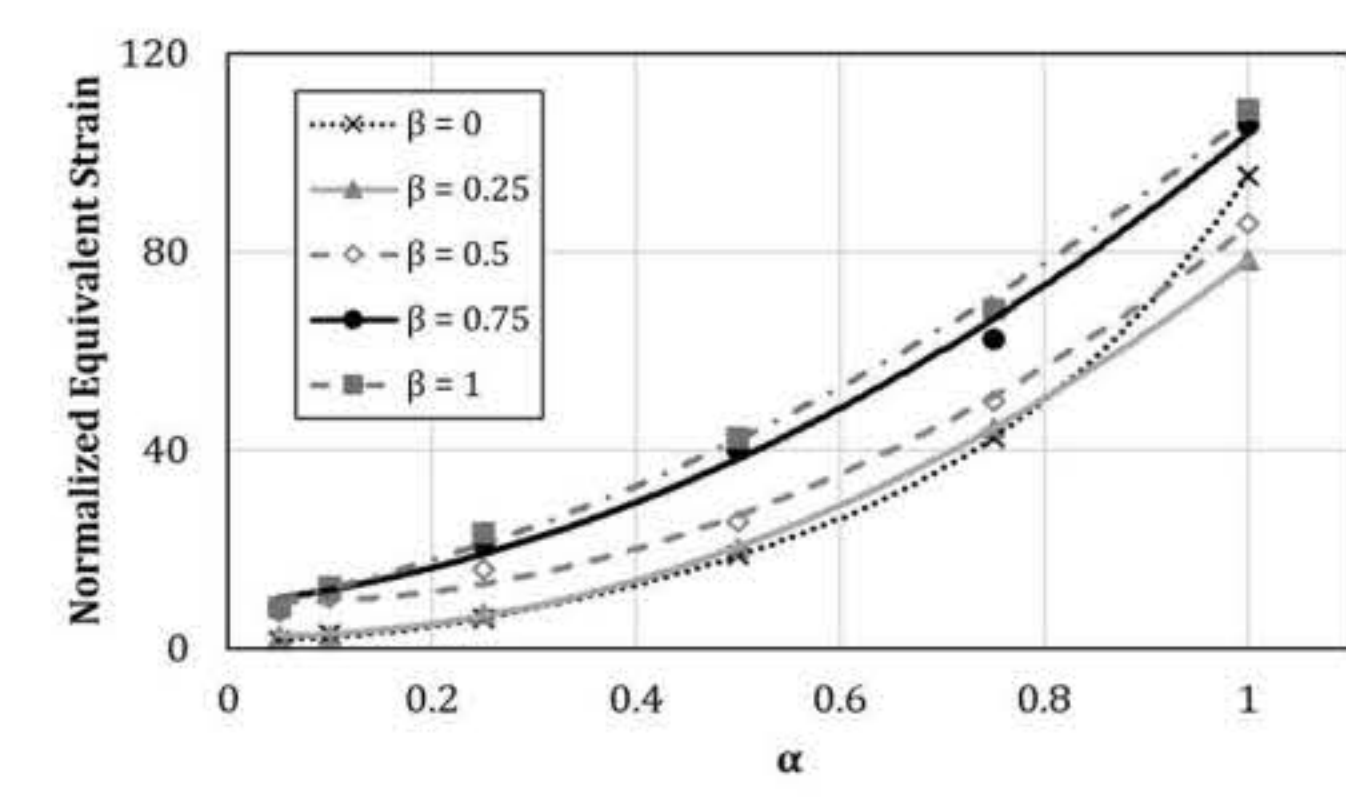
- Under uniaxial tensile testing, the temperature increases corresponding to the strain of the tensile specimens.
- The deformation temperature can be estimated effectively when the corresponding strain alteration is known.
- The developed temperature prediction technique has the potential to be effective when utilized with a high-sensitivity IR camera and sufficient power of excitation source.
- The results suggest that the temperature prediction technique can effectively estimate defective areas due to the strain distribution around a crack.

Simulation:

- Computational results revealed strain distribution change over time.
- Uncracked shaft:
 - Exhibited low strain corresponding to excitation, with a maximum of 3.89×10^{-9} and 4.72×10^{-9} for axial and transverse excitation.
- Cracked Shaft:
 - Displayed significantly higher strain, concentrated around the crack tip.
- Consider the first peak, the strain close to the crack tip was normalized with the maximum strain of the uncracked shaft.
- Influence of Crack Geometry:
 - Higher α = Higher strain.
 - Higher β = Higher strain.



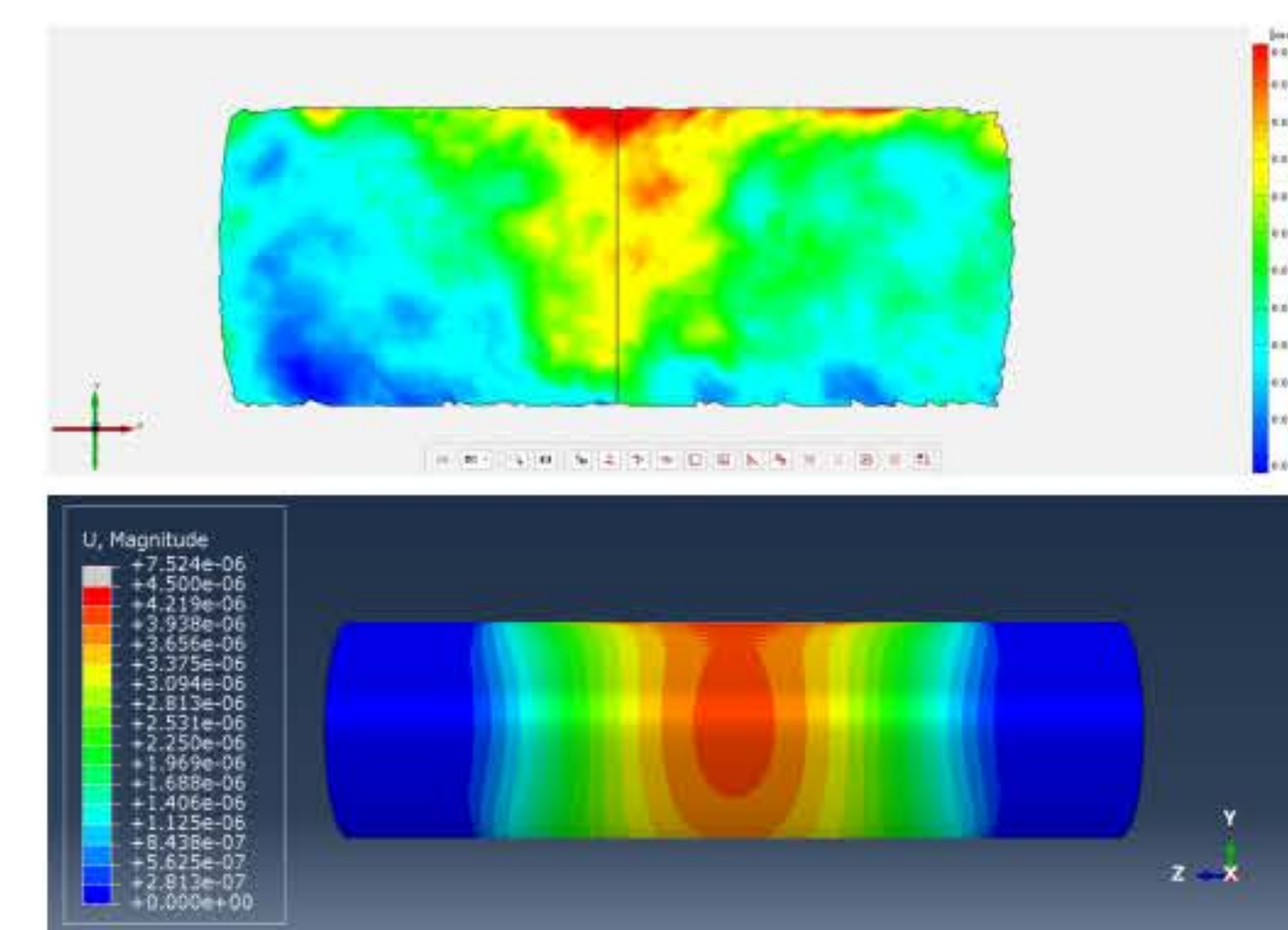
Axial excitation



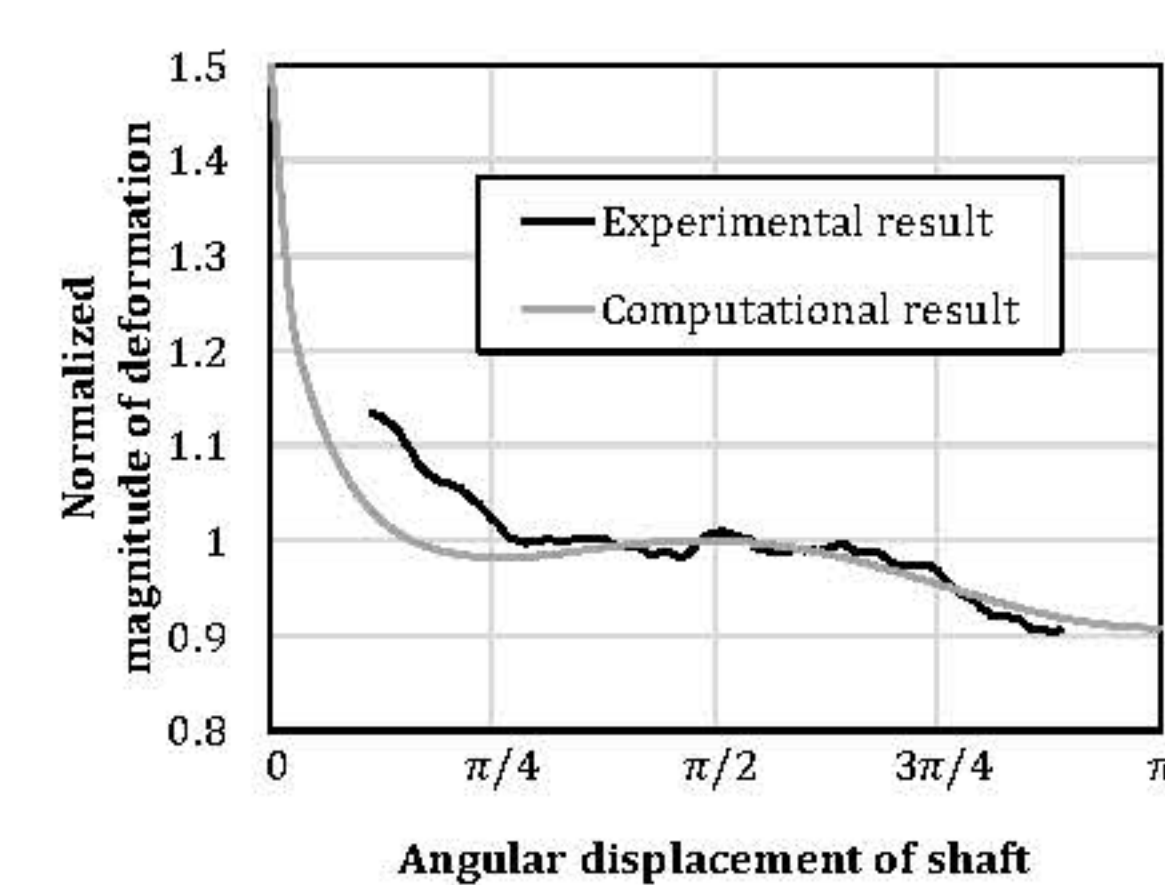
Transverse excitation

Experimental investigation of the shaft response.

- The shaft response under the excitation was investigated experimentally, for instance, transverse excitation of the uncracked shaft.
- Equipment Used:
 - Designed jig and fixture.
 - Low-power ultrasonic transducer.
 - GOM ARAMIS DIC.
- Consider the magnitude of displacement due to the extremely low strain distribution.
- Normalized deformation magnitudes from experiment and simulation at steady-state revealed a good agreement of the computational model beyond the angular displacement of $\pi/4$ with a percentage error of less than 5%.
- Temperature prediction was additionally applied, revealing extremely low temperature differences which were 1.03×10^{-7} °C for axial excitation and 1.25×10^{-7} °C for transverse excitation.



Contour of deformation magnitude



Comparison of normalized deformation magnitude

Temperature prediction on the cracked shaft.

- The relationship was utilized to estimate the temperature of the cracked shaft with $\beta = 1$, $\alpha = 1$ under excitations which found as the highest strain generation.
- The maximum temperature differences were 1.67×10^{-5} °C and 1.46×10^{-5} °C for axial and transverse excitation which much lower the thermal sensitivity of the IR camera (0.03 °C).
- Emphasizing the insufficient of the current excitation source for practical use.
- The maximum temperature differences were significantly higher compared to the uncracked shaft, indicating the possibility of crack detection under sufficient excitation.

Lifetime Improvement of Capillary used in Laser Solder Ball Jetting Process

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Problem statement

Laser Solder Ball Jetting Process is Fluxless Laser Soldering method which is possible to perform laser fluxless reflow soldering of solder discs on pre-tinned Cu pads. The new method of laser-based solder jetting technology, Solder Ball Bumper Jet (SB²-Jet), have been developed by Pac Tech-Packaging Technologies GmbH of Germany and Pac Tech USA. This method providing throughput of soldering at the rate of 10 balls/s which can fulfills most of requirements for today's packaging of optoelectronics. Laser Solder Ball Jetting Process have numbers of benefit, such as high throughput and high accuracy even in miniature device. However, high throughput of process can cause the failure of capillary material (cemented carbide is the most common material used) in short time and have to be changed with new capillary which can create downtime in manufacturing. Downtime from capillary changing time should be added into the process schedule which can reduce the output of the production and more cost of capillary tip would be added into capital cost.

To improve the material used for capillary, it was studied that improvement WC-Co with cryogenic treatment result in smaller wear volume expected compared to untreated WC-Co.

This study aims to improve mechanical properties of capillary using cryogenic treatment which could lead to lifetime improvement and reduce the manufacturing cost. Several possible failure modes associated to lifetime of capillary tip which is the critical area controlling process accuracy of Laser Solder Ball Jetting machine were investigated, such as, thermal expansion, erosion wear associated with fluid jet and particle impact. However, thermal expansion of WC-Co was very low at soldering temperature and generated limited stress compared to hard particle impingement. Therefore, the study focused on mechanical properties associated with fatigue life.

Method

Commercial grade of WC-Co, i.e., KA10 according to Sanalloy Industry Co., Ltd. was used in this study to represent capillary material. Mechanical properties characterization were employed to investigate the properties of WC-Co before treatment, i.e., hardness testing, sliding wear testing and nanoindentation testing.

After WC-Co testing, the material was cryogenic treated under different cryogenic conditions, i.e., holding time at cryogenic temperature, and cryogenic temperature. Cryogenic temperature was divided into 2 different conditions, i.e., shallow cryogenic treatment (SCT) and deep cryogenic treatment (DCT) (-140 and -200 degrees Celsius, respectively). Holding time divided into 2 conditions, i.e., 12 and 36 hours. Samples after treatment were then be tested by the same method before treatment for comparison and study the effect of cryogenic treatment. Condition of each samples shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Cryogenic treatment condition for each sample

| Sample | Cryogenic Temperature (°C) | Holding time (hours) | Cooling rate (°C/min) |
|--------|----------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| NCT | - | - | - |
| SCT12 | -140 | 12 | 1 |
| SCT36 | -140 | 36 | 1 |
| DCT12 | -200 | 12 | 1 |
| DCT36 | -200 | 36 | 1 |

Result and Discussion

The result shown that holding time of 36 hours exhibit higher hardness and lower wear volume compared to holding time of 12 hours. Lower cryogenic temperature led to higher hardness and lower wear volume as shown in Figure 1 and 2 for hardness and wear volume, respectively.

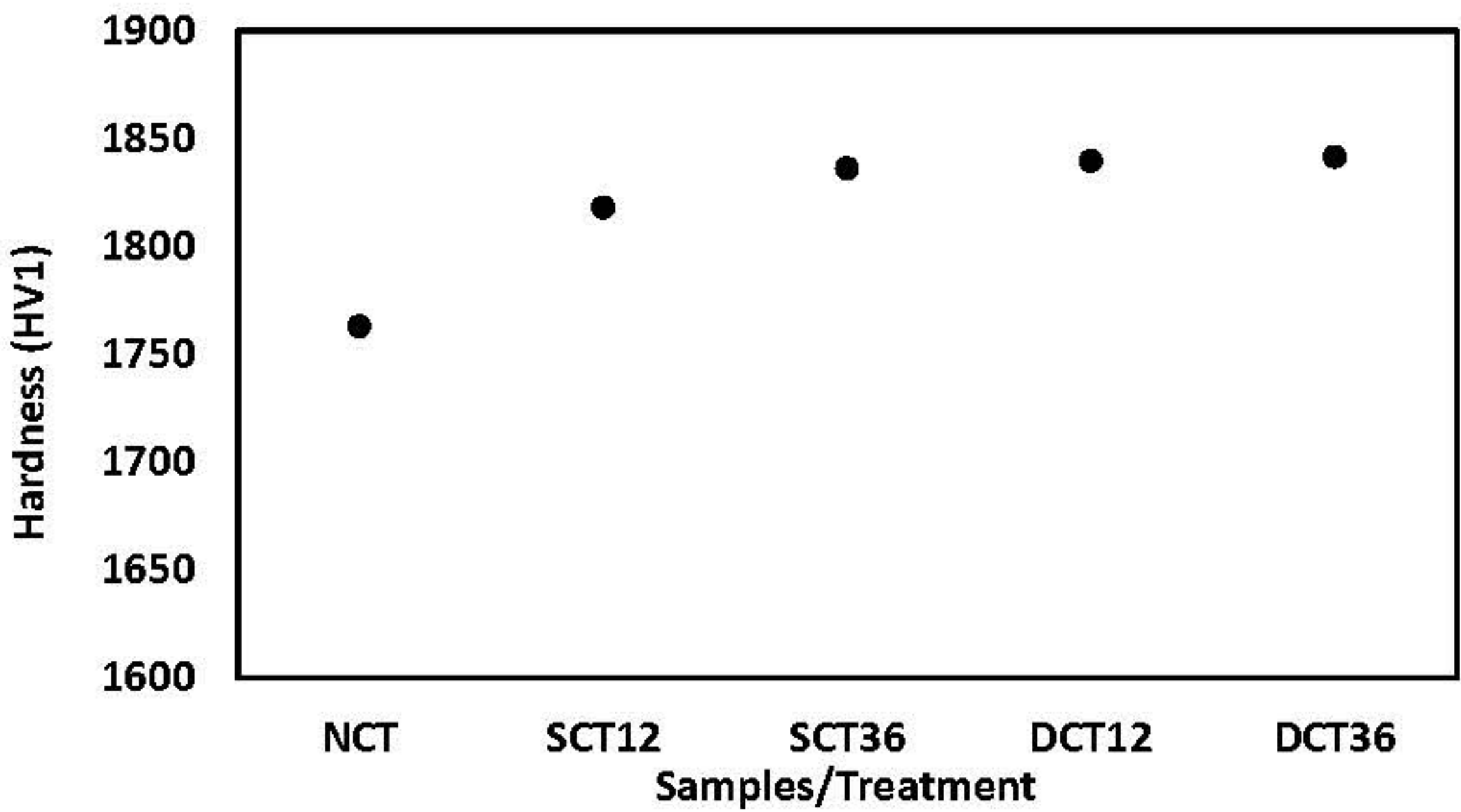


Figure 1. Hardness from different case of cryogenic treatment

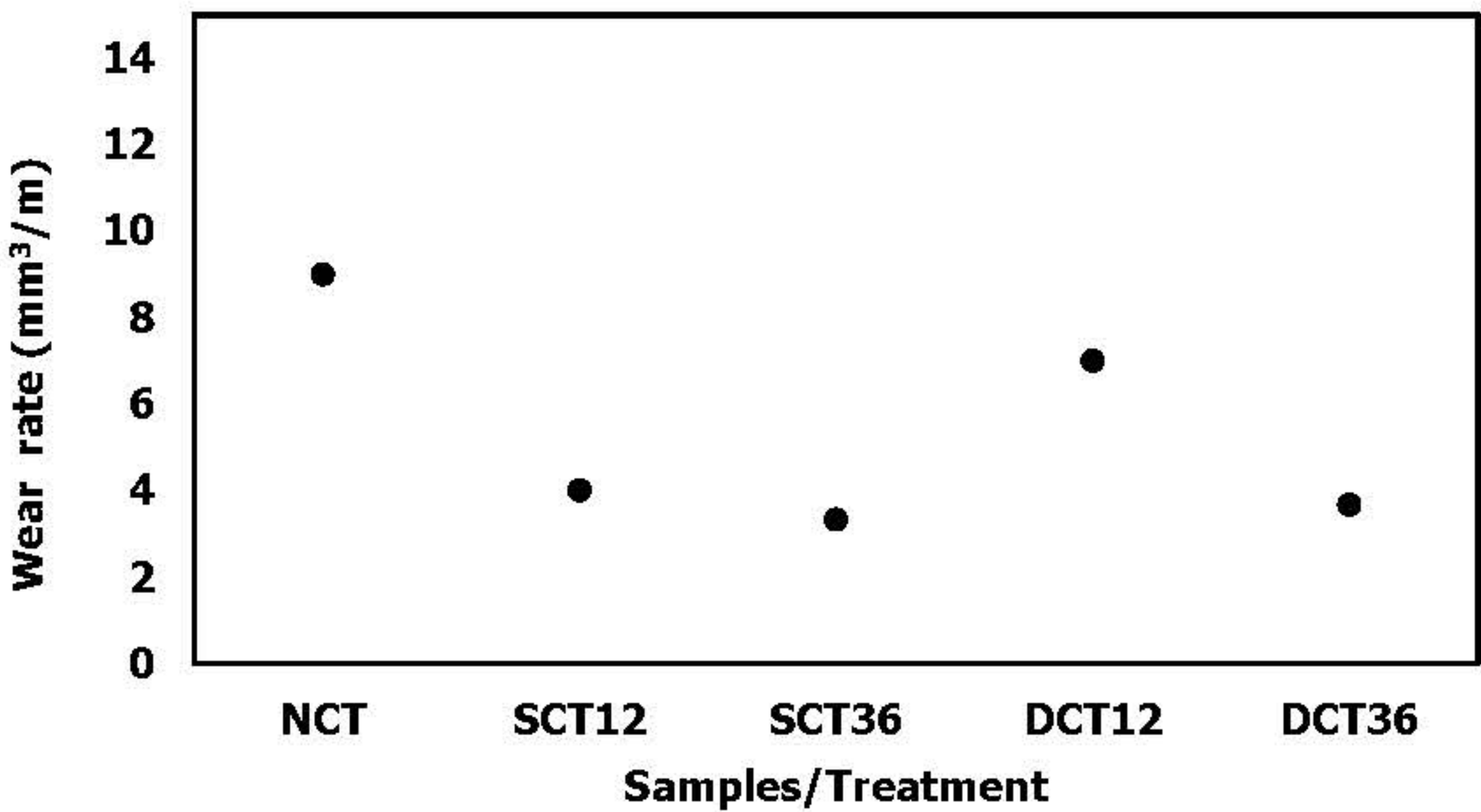


Figure 2. Wear volume from sliding wear testing of different case of cryogenic treatment

Moreover, result of nanoindentation can be used to calculate Young's Modulus. The result shown that WC-Co after cryogenic treatment exhibit higher Young's Modulus and lower deviation as shown in Figure 3. Young's Modulus of DCT is highest followed by SCT and NCT respectively. In case of deviation of Young's Modulus result, NCT showed highest deviation followed by SCT and DCT showed lowest deviation. The deviation of Young's Modulus indicate that mechanical properties showed better distribution after cryogenic treatment. The same trend also applied to nanohardness. The nanohardness from nanoindentation testing result also showed that cryogenic treatment improve hardness and reduce their deviation in nanoscale as shown in Figure 4.

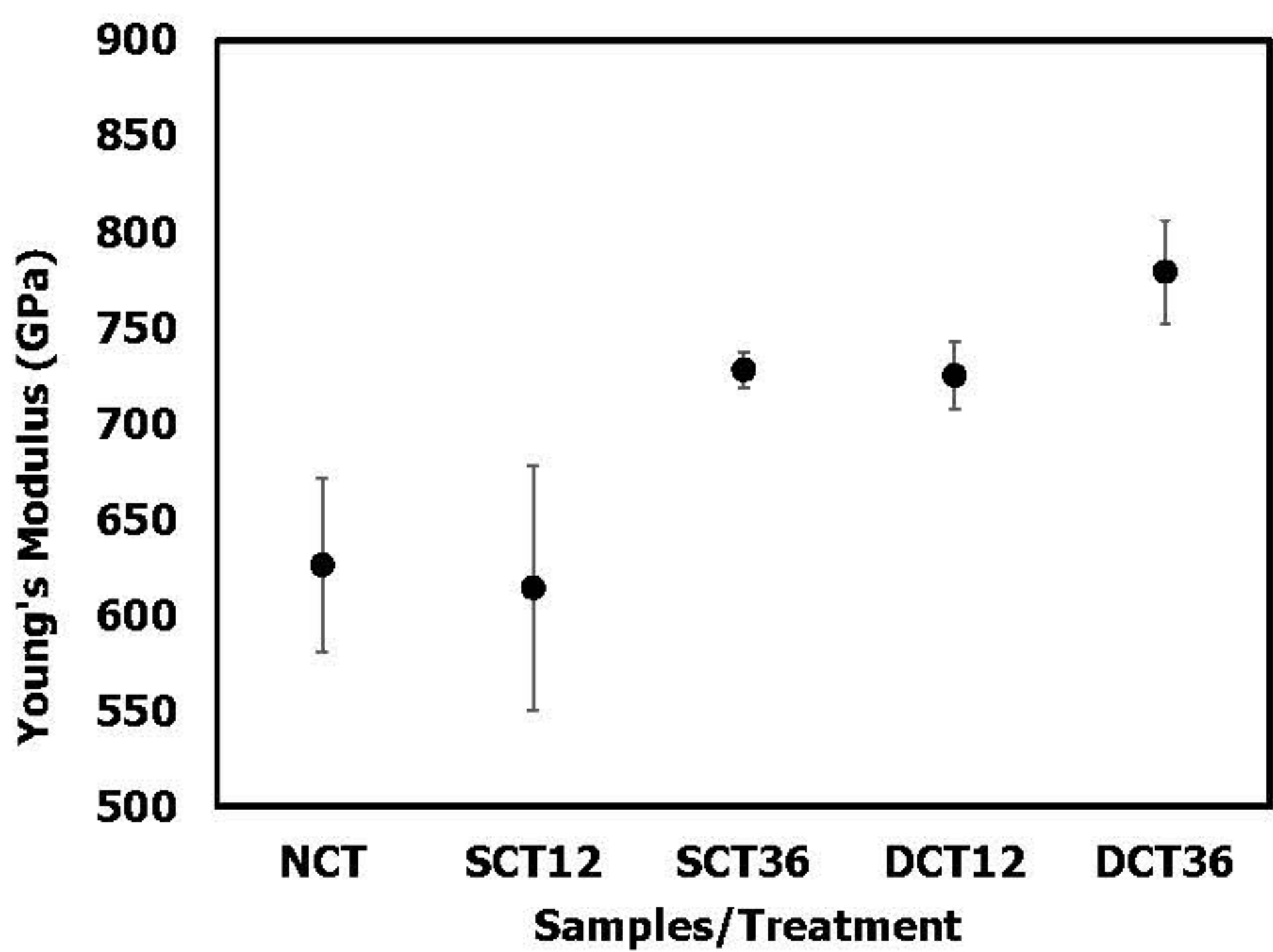


Figure 3. Young's Modulus from each case (Calculated from Reduced Modulus from nanoindentation testing)

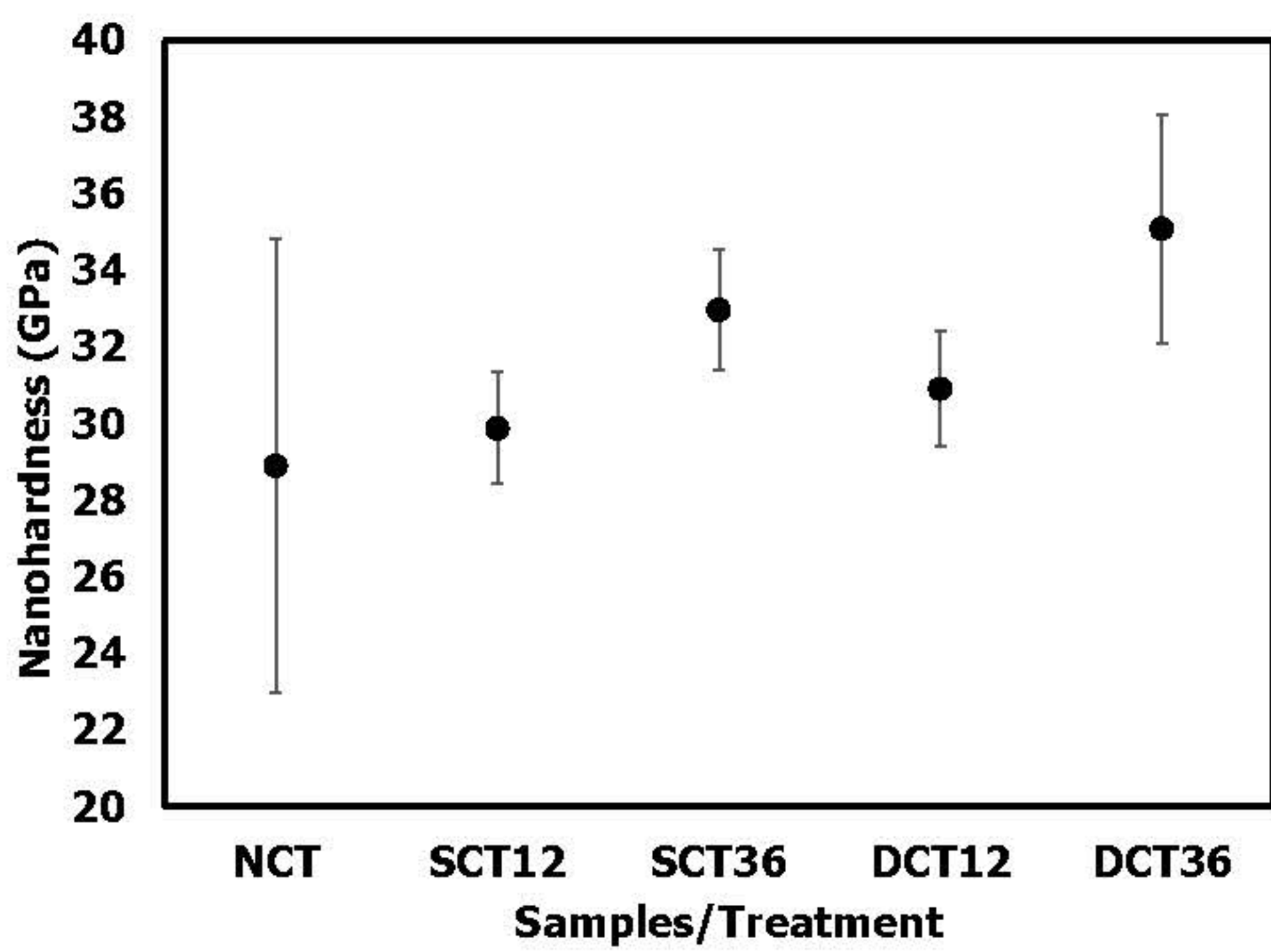


Figure 4. Nanohardness from each case

Conclusion

Longer holding time and lower cryogenic temperature led to higher hardness and lower wear volume which could lead to higher fatigue strength and longer lifetime.

The result from nanoindentation testing shown that DCT showed highest Young's Modulus followed by SCT and NCT respectively. Cryogenic treatment also improves the distribution of microstructure as shown in lower distribution range after cryogenic treatment (SCT, DCT).

Therefore, Cryogenic treatment of cemented carbide material improve mechanical properties and more homogeneous.

However, more study should be done to investigate the effect of cryogenic treatment to capillary material properties in more detail, such as, cooling rate effect on mechanical properties or the effect of cryogenic treatment on microstructure and residue stress

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Rheological analysis for single-use package manufacturing from thermoplastic starch



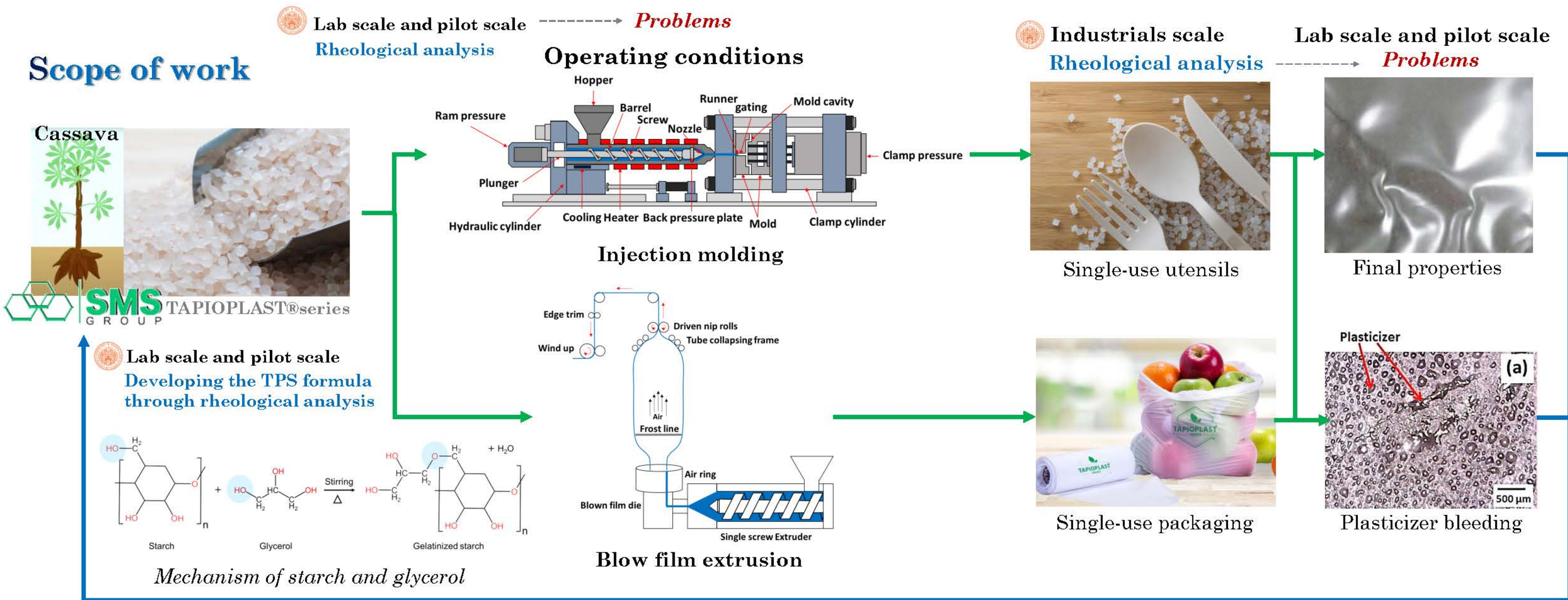
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Objectives

- To analyze the fluid flow behavior and guide the adjustment of molding process conditions for TPS and TPS blend.
- To analyze the relationship between thermoplastic flow behavior data and the design of formulas involving different compositions of TPS and TPS blend.
- To analyze the relationship between thermoplastic flow behavior data and the properties of various products made from TPS and TPS blend.

Scope of work



Results and discussion

Sample preparation (10 Samples)



LDPE, LLDPE, HDPE, PLA, PBAT, CG41-D, CS25, CM30, TPS FC, TAPIOPLAST®

Materials characterization

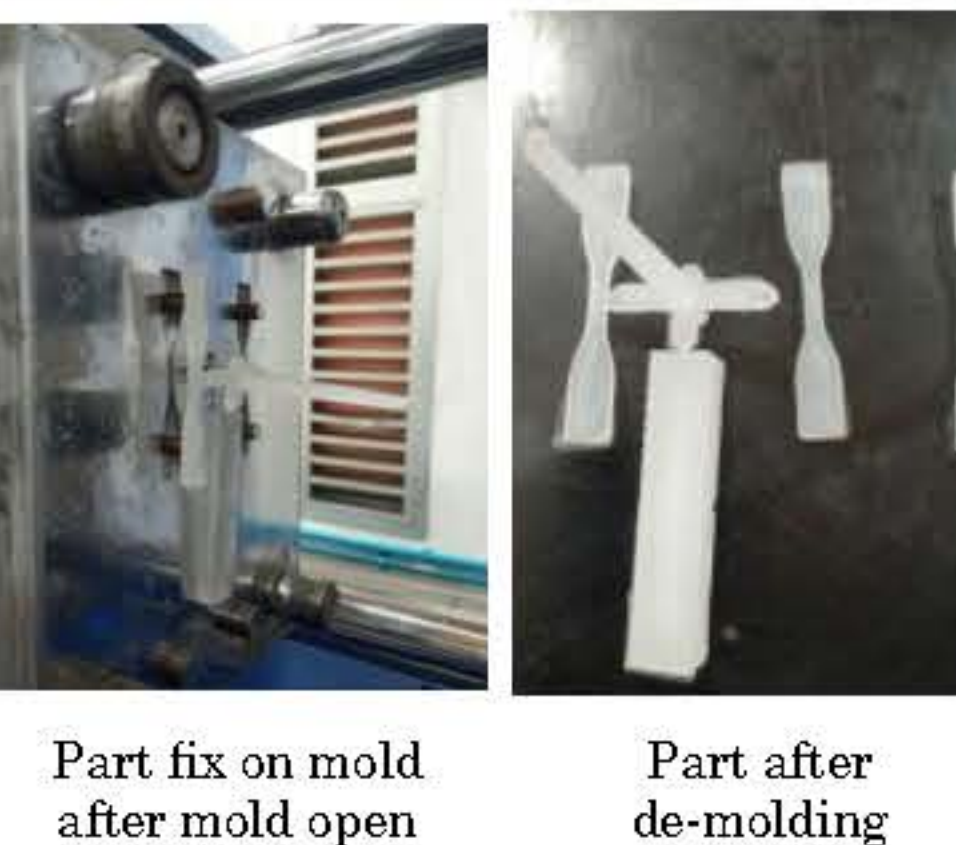
- Physical properties**
 - Density and bulk density
 - Hardness
 - Tribological test
- Thermal properties**
 - Differential scanning calorimeter (DSC)
- Mechanical properties**
 - Tensile test (Static and dynamic modes)
 - Drop weight testing
- Permeabilities**
 - Oxygen permeation analysis (OTR)
 - Water vapor permeation analysis (WVTR)

Injection molding machine;

- Understanding machine



Machine: Injection molding
Country: Taiwan
Model: EN-30
Machine system: Hydraulic pump

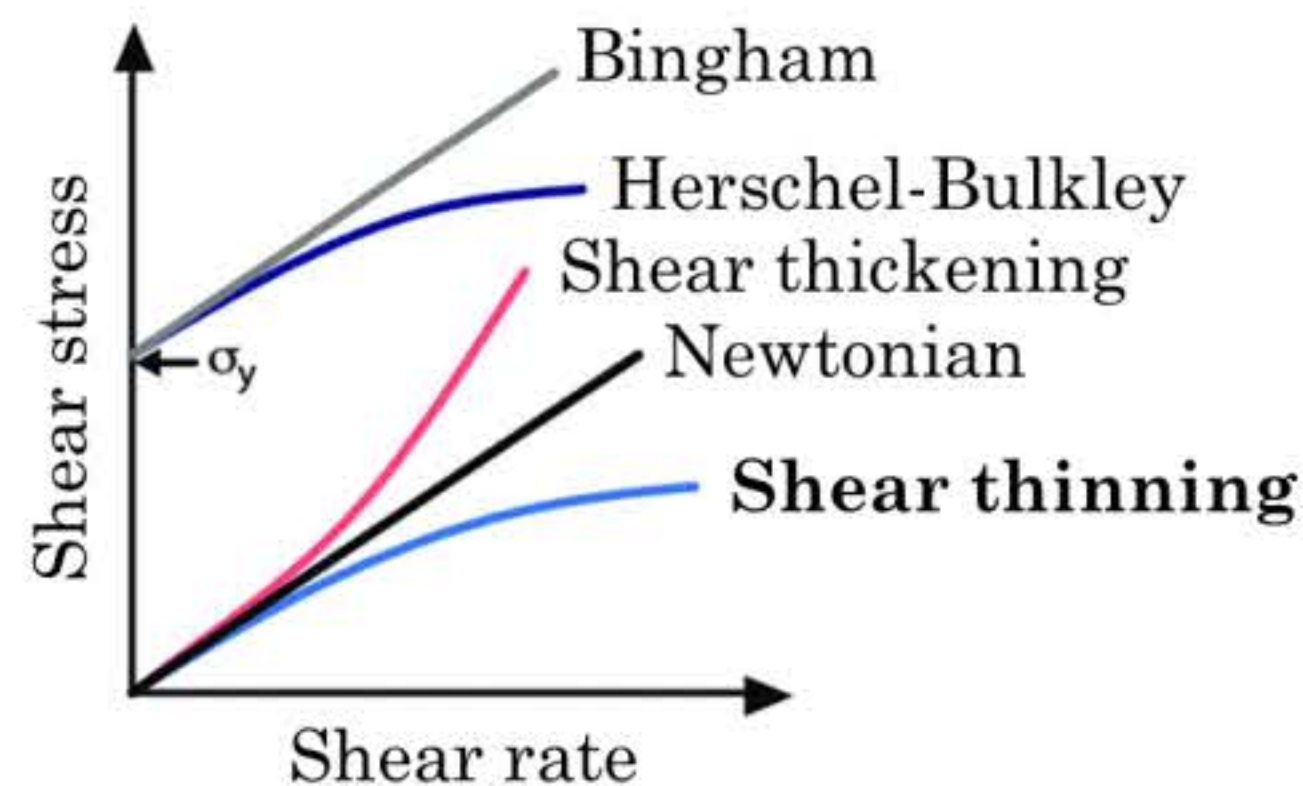
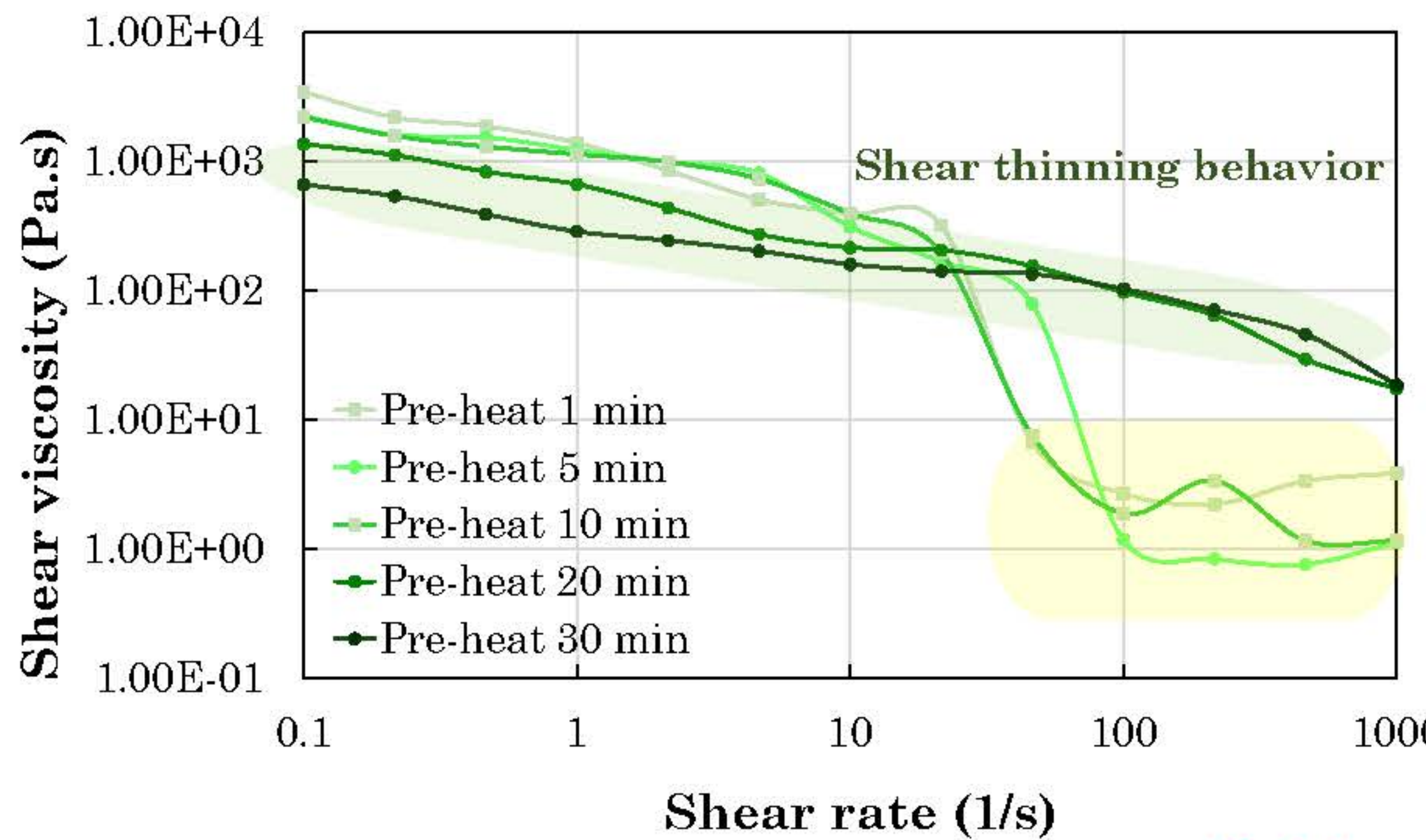
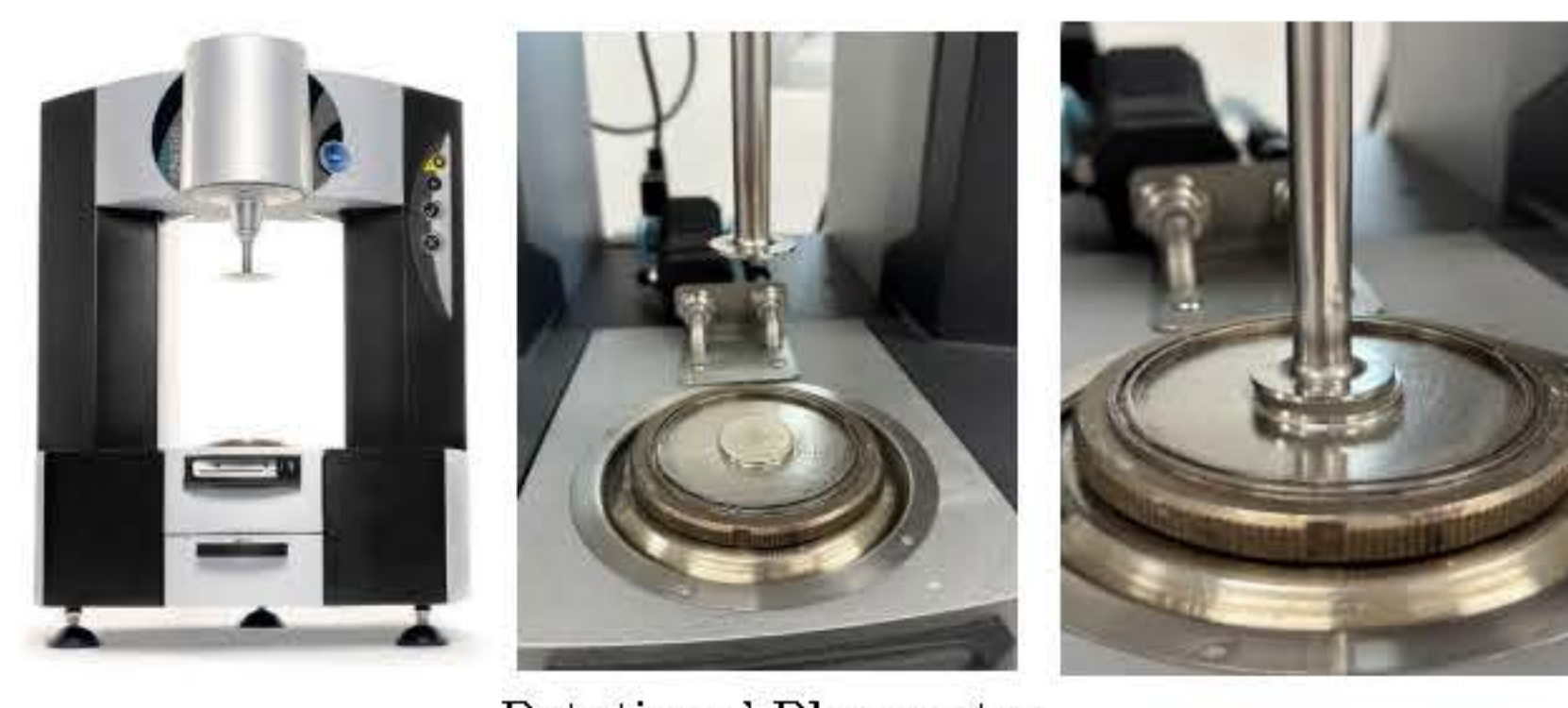


| Clamping unit | Value | Injection unit | Value |
|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| Clamp force | 30 Ton (Max) | Screw diameter | 22 mm |
| Clamping system | Hydraulic direct clamp | Screw L/D | 30 |
| Tie bar distance | 260 x 260 mm | Screw stroke | 80 mm (Max) |
| Plate distance | 400 x 400 mm | Injection pressure | N/A |
| Mold open stroke | N/A | Injection speed | N/A |
| Minimum mold thickness | 200 mm | Nozzle radian | N/A |
| Ejector stroke | N/A | | |
| Locating ring (diameter) | 60 mm | | |

Rotational rheometer testing; - Finding condition

| Temperature (°C) | Pre-heating time | | | | | |
|------------------|------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 0 min | 5 min | 10 min | 15 min | 20 min | 30 min |
| 170 | | | | | | N/A |
| 180 | | | | | | |
| 190 | | | | | | |
| 200 | | | | | | N/A |
| 210 | | | | | | N/A |

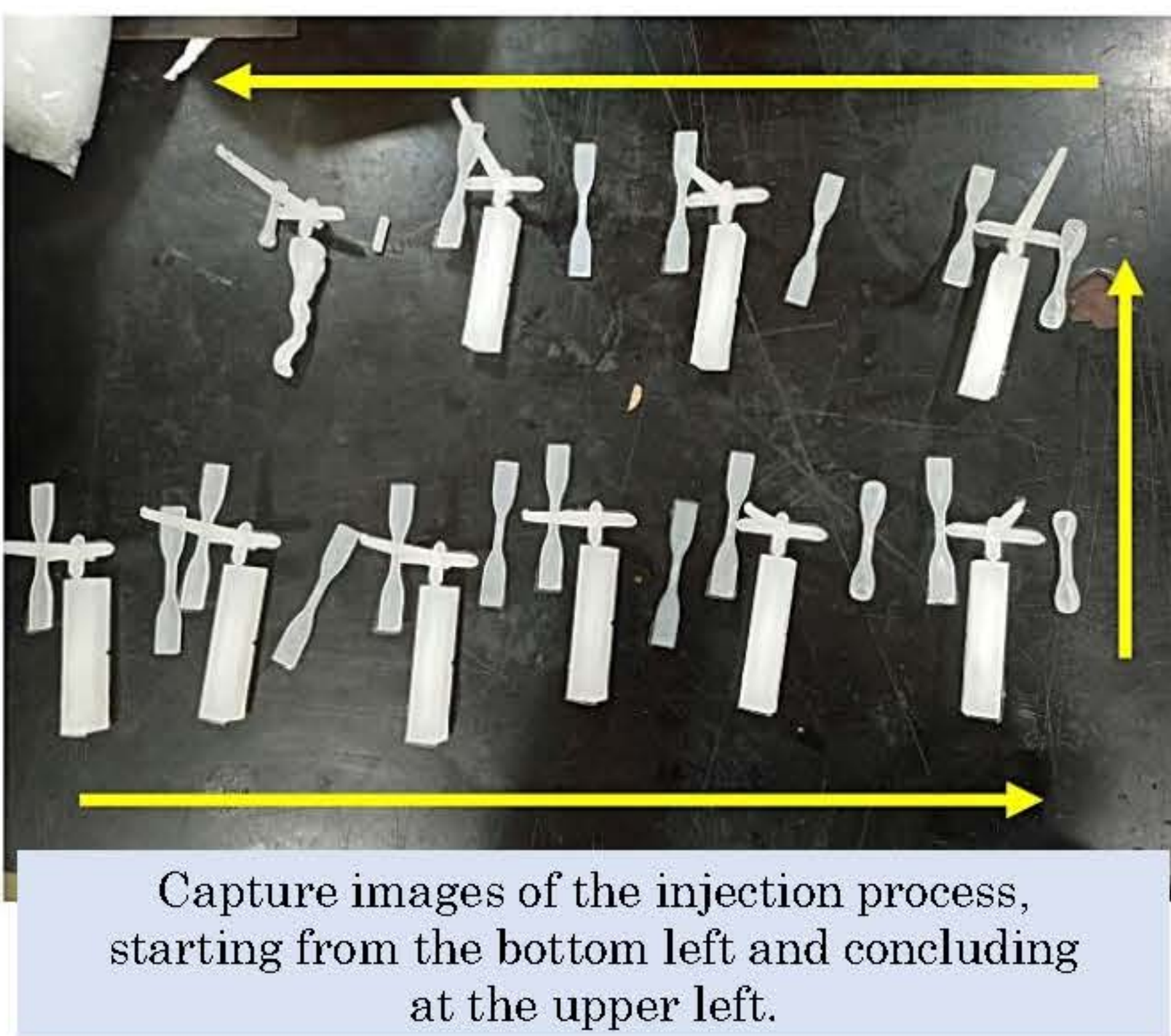
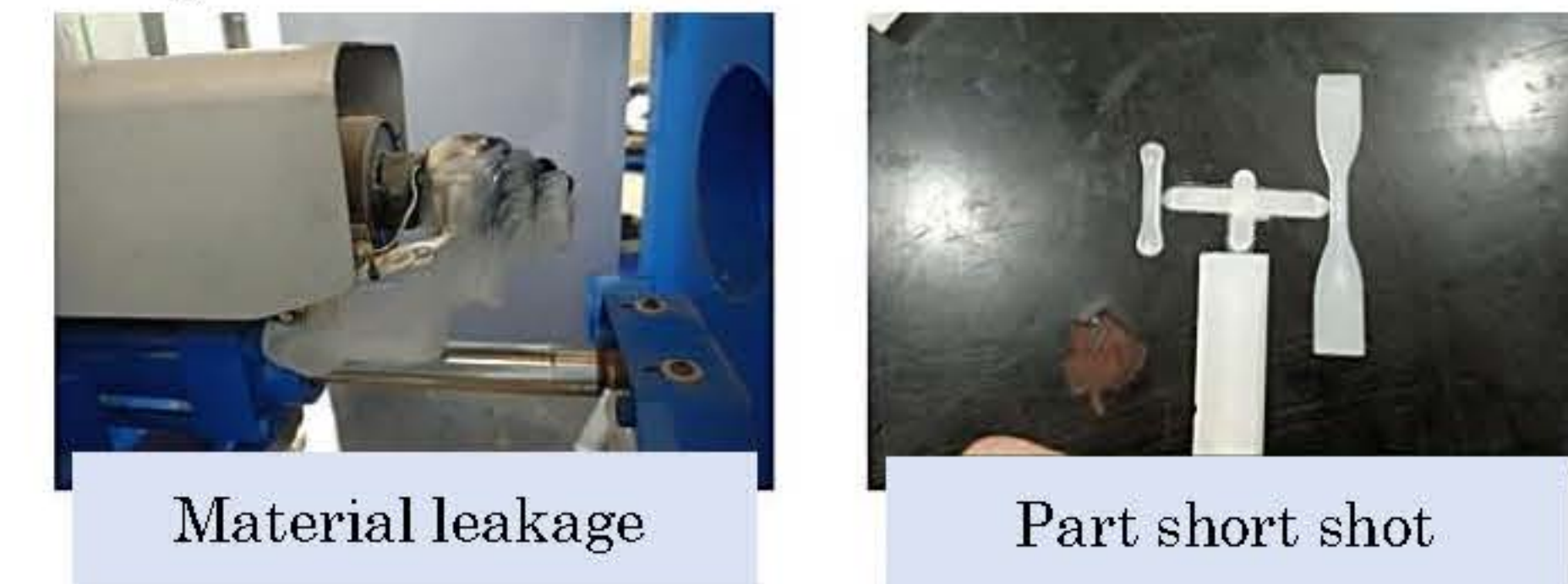
Examine the characteristics of the polymer melt under varying pre-heating times at different testing temperatures for TAPIOPLAST CS25.



The pre-heating times for TAPIOPLAST CS25 polymer at 190°C before conducting a shear sweep test using a rotational rheometer.

Problems

- During continuous processing, the system demonstrates instability, resulting in short shots and an increased occurrence of sink marks.
- Operators consistently adjust parameters to maintain stability.
- The identified cause of the problem is a material leak at the nozzle, leading to material loss with each shot. This necessitates frequent adjustments by the operator for every shot.



Conclusions

- Obtain the physical, thermal, mechanical, and permeability properties of the sample.
- Assess the conditions of the rotational rheometer.
- Identify issues with the injection molding machine.

Current Outputs

- The data presents a flow behavior of TPS and TPS blends were tested using the rheometer 1 copy/sample.
- The data presents a detailed analysis of the relationship between the flow behavior of TPS and TPS blends and the properties of the final product 1 copy/sample.

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Development of Frontier Researchers in Nanomaterials for Supporting Industrial Research Problems

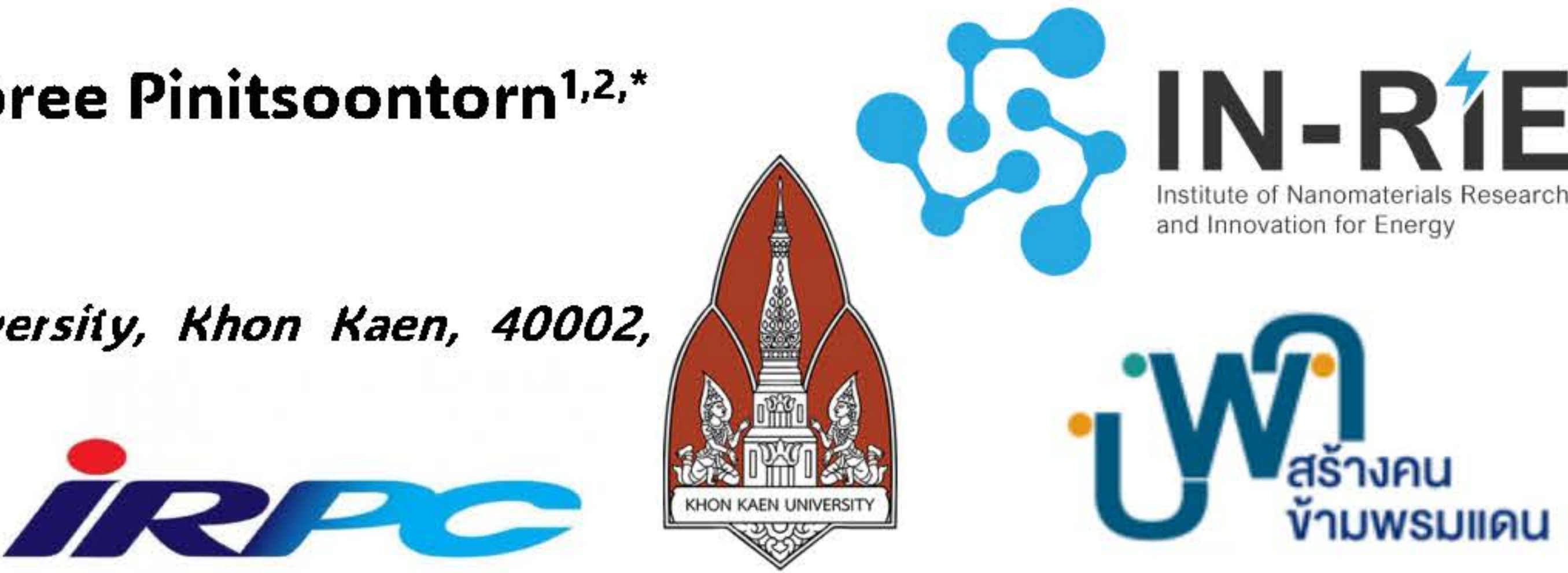
:: Improving the performance of thermoelectric materials by adding acetylene black nanocomposites

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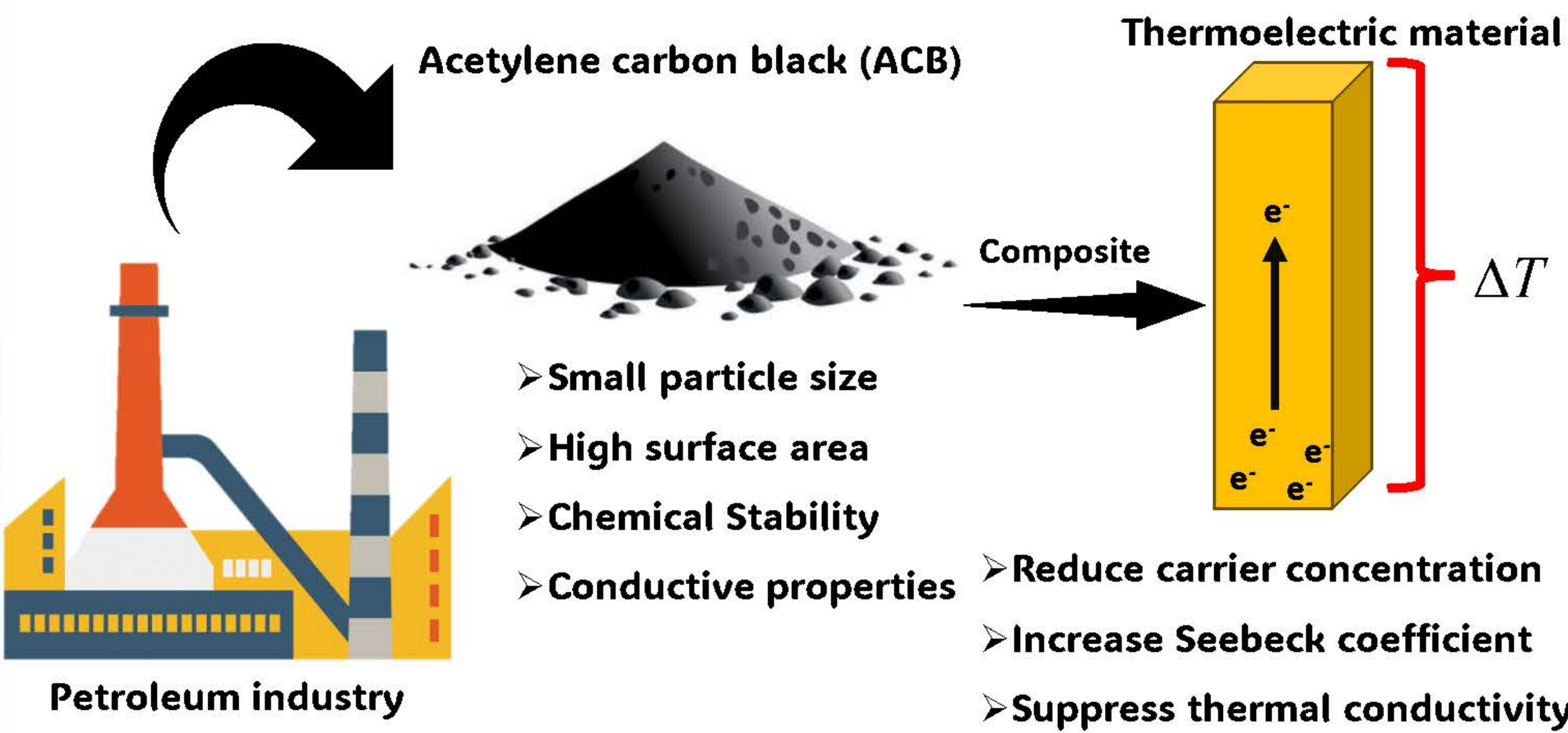
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Introduction



Acetylene carbon black (ACB)

- Small particle size
- High surface area
- Chemical Stability
- Conductive properties

Petroleum industry

Thermoelectric material

Composite

- Reduce carrier concentration
- Increase Seebeck coefficient
- Suppress thermal conductivity

The performance of conversion can be determined by dimensionless figure of merit (zT) as shown in EQ(1).

$$zT = \frac{S^2 \sigma}{K} T$$

Seebeck coefficient S


Electrical conductivity σ

Thermal conductivity K

Absolute temperature T

(1)

Experiment



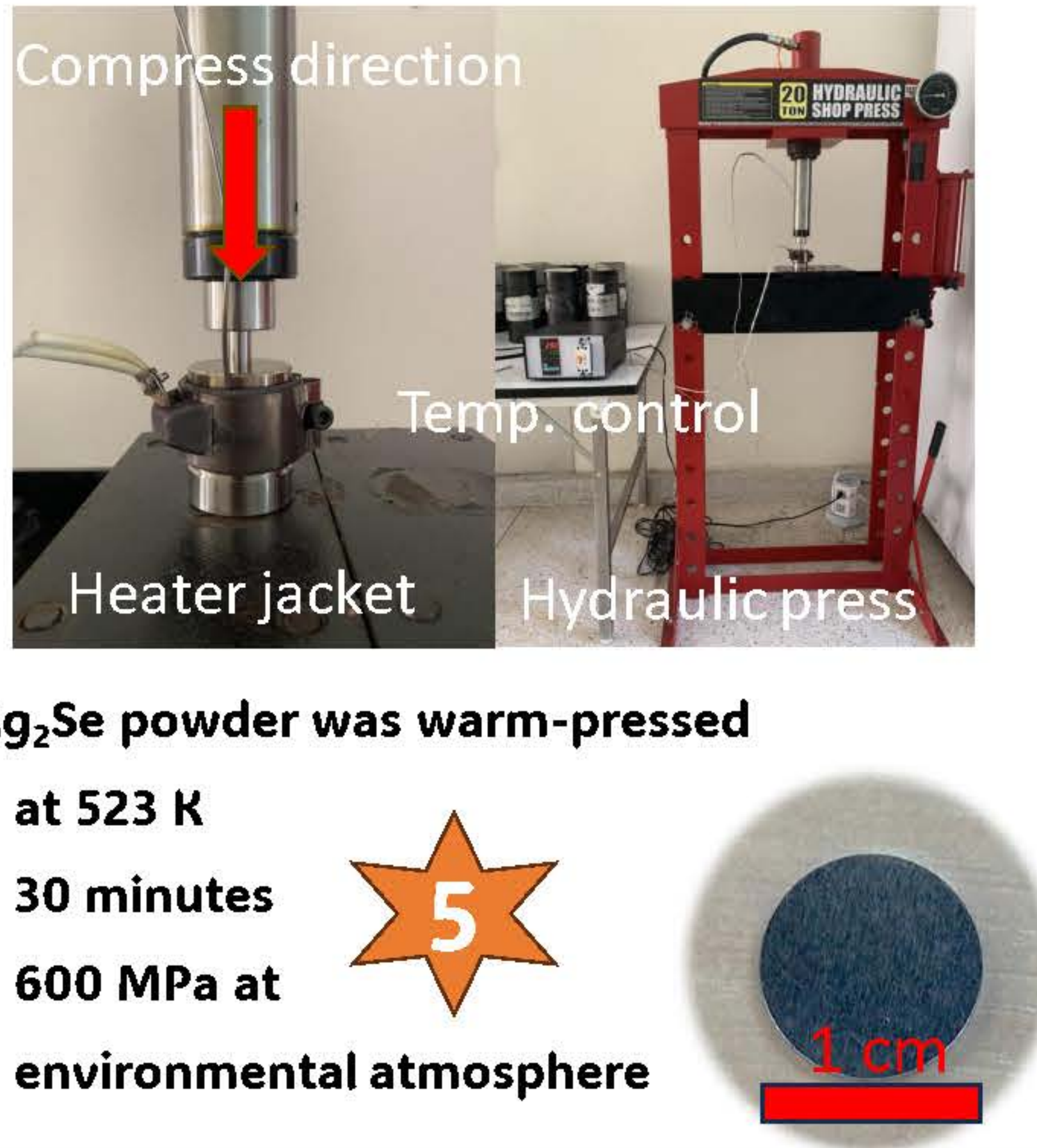
Acetylene carbon black (ACB)

AgNO₃ Powder

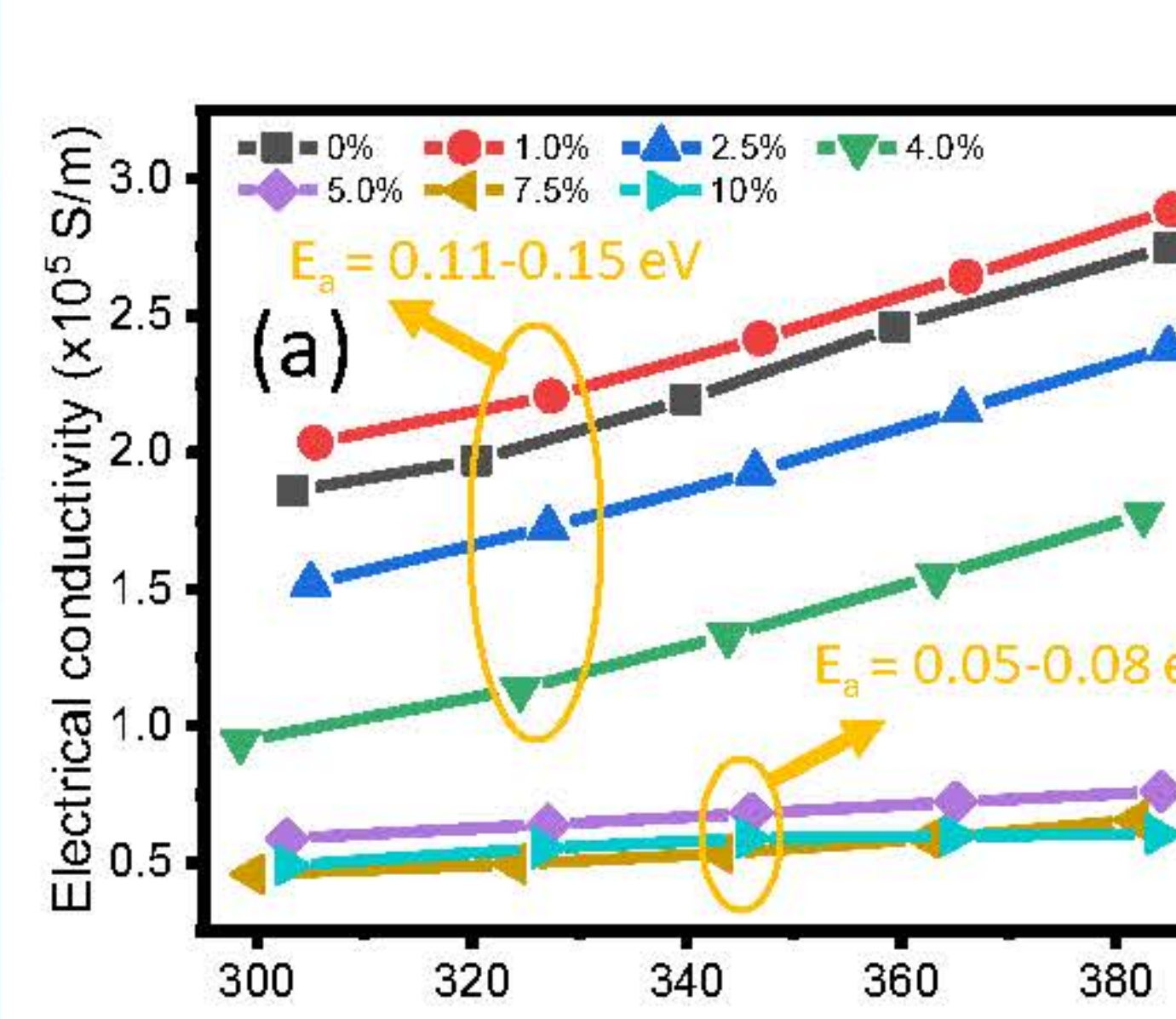
Ag₂Se composite Powder

Na₂SeSO₃

- ACBs have been dispersed in deionized (DI) water and Ethylene Glycol (EG) in ultrasonic bath.
- AgNO₃ Powder was added and dissolved in the mixed solution.
- The Na₂SeSO₃ solution was poured into the mixed solution to be reducing agent.
- The final powder was gathered and rinsed several times by DI water and ethanol.
- Ag₂Se powder was warm-pressed
 - at 523 K
 - 30 minutes
 - 600 MPa at
 - environmental atmosphere

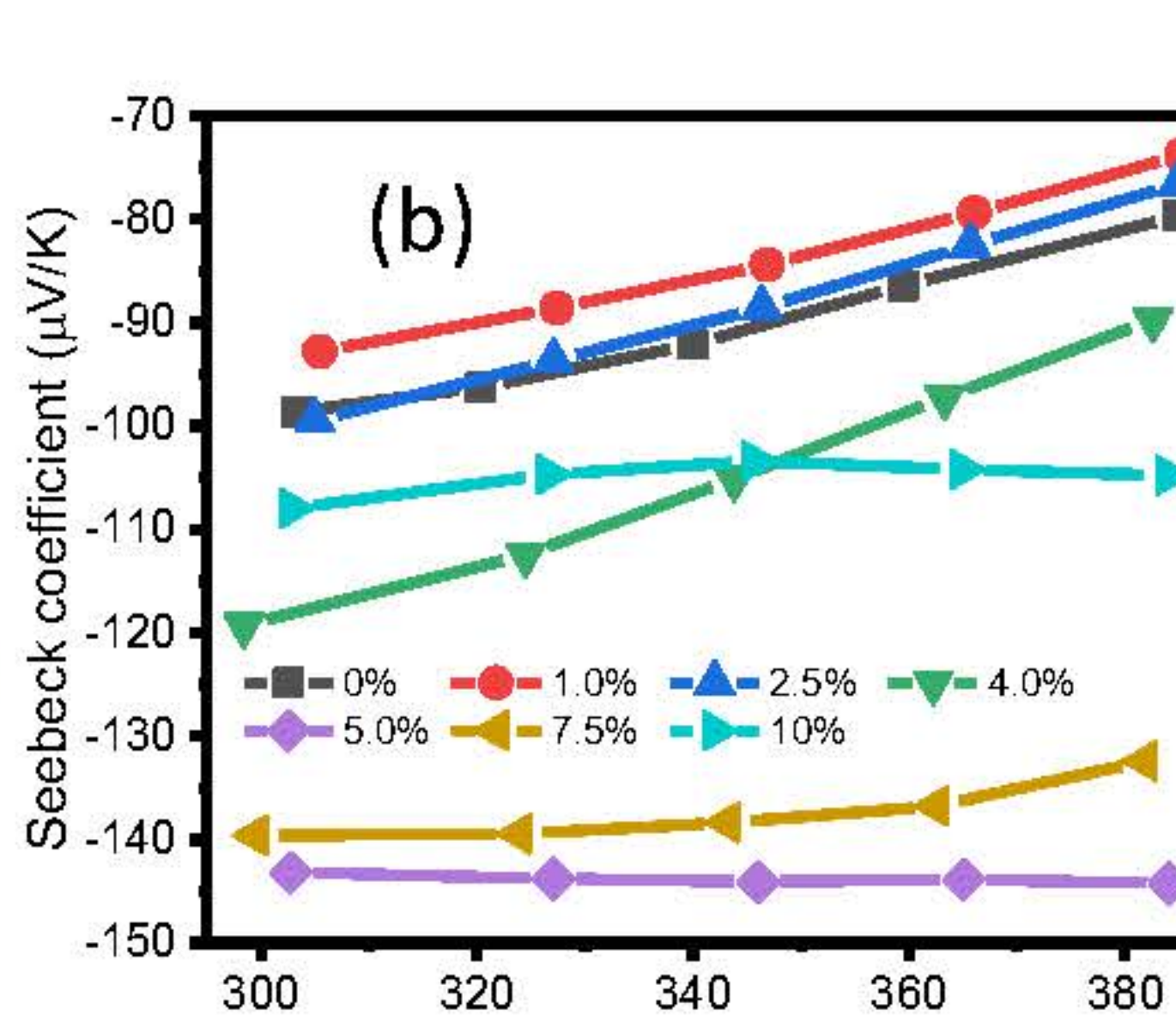


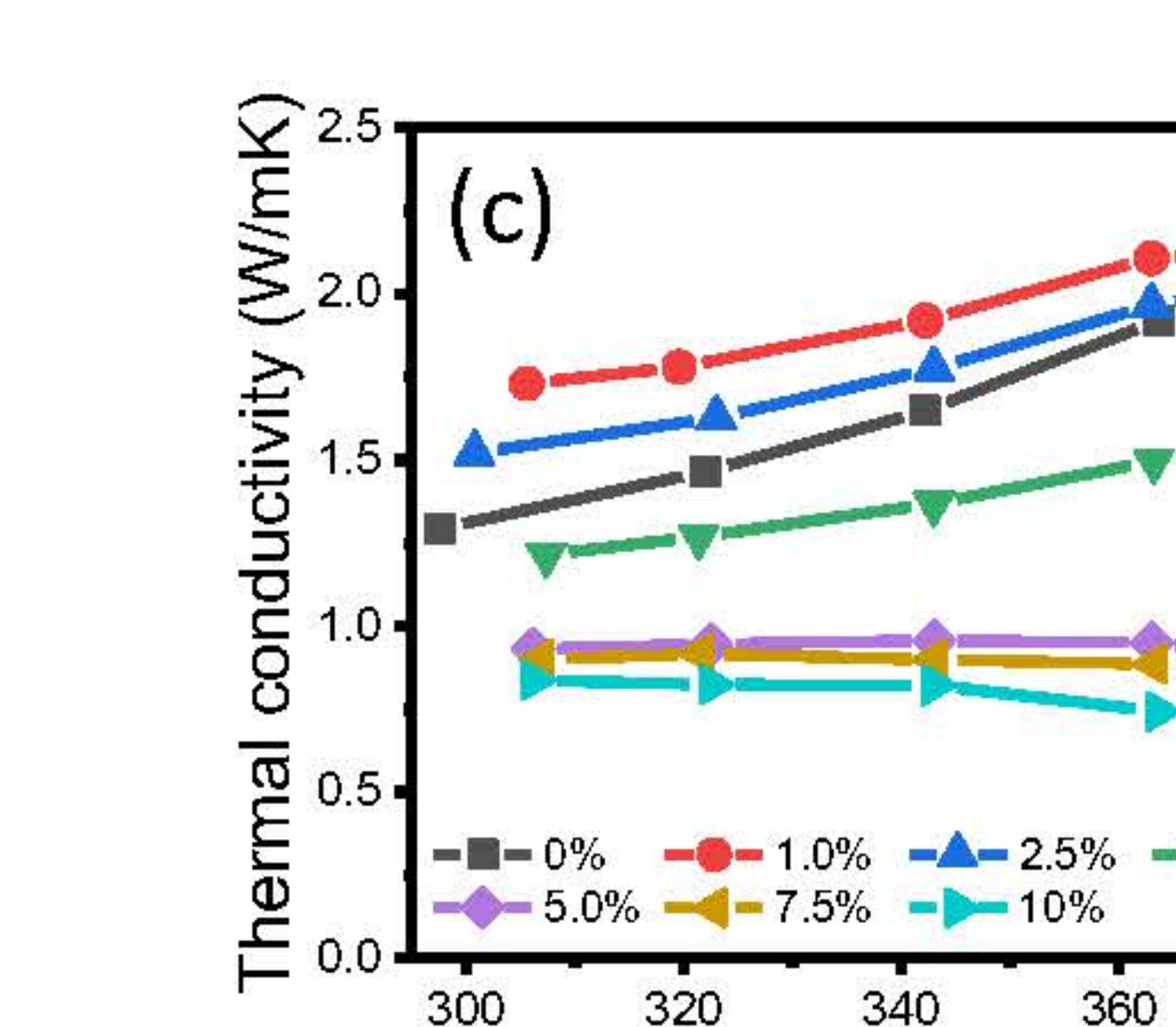
Result and discussion

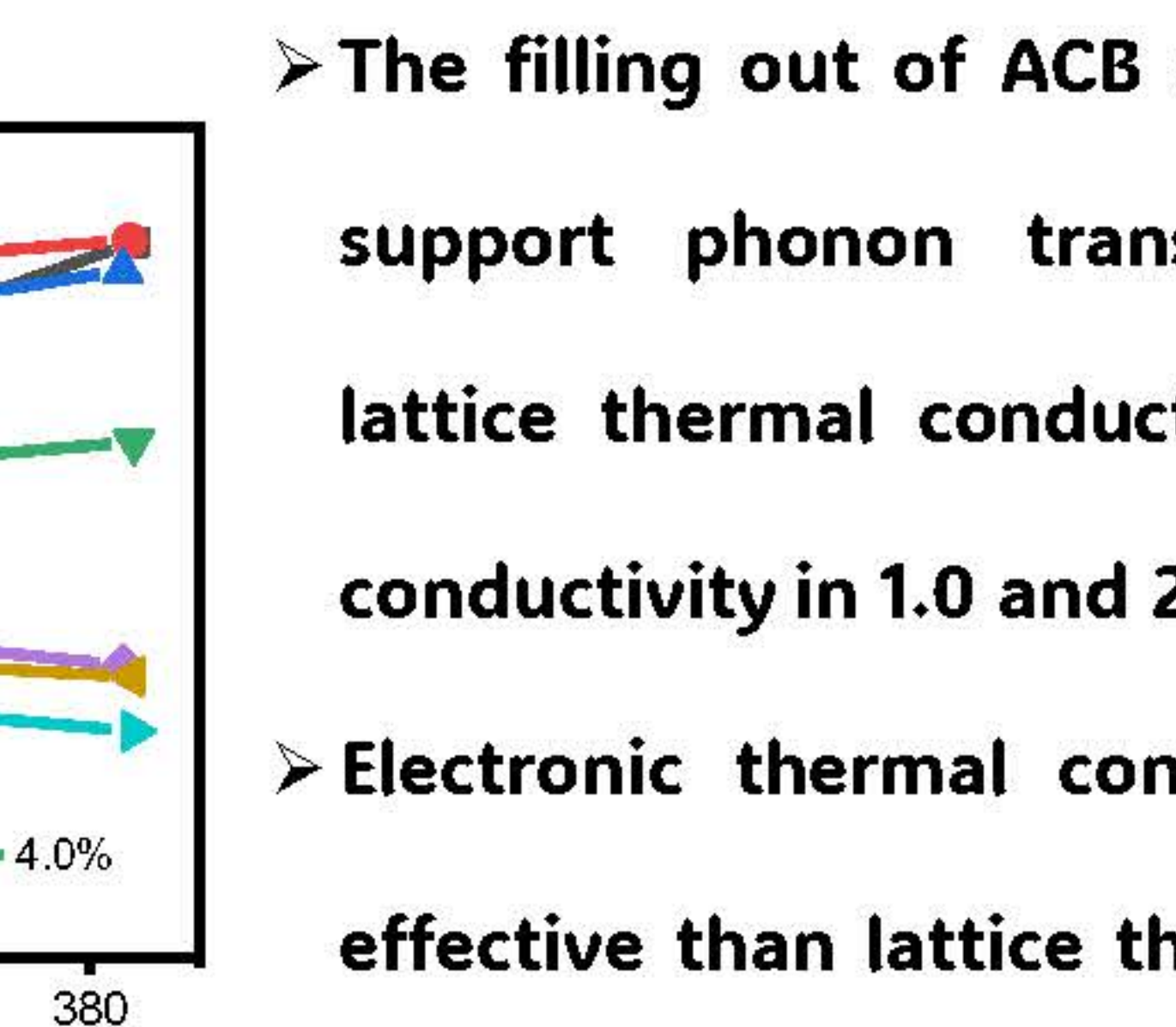


$E_g = 0.11-0.15 \text{ eV}$

$E_g = 0.05-0.08 \text{ eV}$







- Electrical conductivity decrease when the ACB content exceeds 1.0 wt.%, from 1.8 to 0.5 × 10⁵ S/m.
- Seebeck coefficient increase from -100 μV/K to -150 μV/K for 5.0 wt.% sample.
- Negative values of the Seebeck coefficient the decrease with temperature confirm the n-type semiconductor-like behavior.
- The filling out of ACB composites in the pores support phonon transportation. Increase in lattice thermal conductivity and total thermal conductivity in 1.0 and 2.5 wt.% samples.
- Electronic thermal conductivity become more effective than lattice thermal conductivity after ACBs are added more than 4.0 wt.% and decrease to 0.9 W/mK after 5.0 wt.% sample.
- At room temperature, the zT of pristine and 5.0 wt.% sample can not distinguish.
- At higher temperature, the zT of 5.0 wt.% sample exhibits higher and reaches the highest of 0.75 at 383 K.

Conclusion

- The addition of ACB can fill out the pores and It contributes to decrease in carrier concentration.
- It can suppress thermal conductivity to lower than 1.0 W/mK when the ACBs are composited higher than 5.0 wt.%.
- The zT of 0.75 at 383 K is obtained for 5.0 wt.% sample.

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Enhancing Electrical and Mechanical Properties of Acetylene Carbon Black/Cement Paste Composites

Development of Frontier Researchers in Nanomaterials for Supporting Industrial Research Problems

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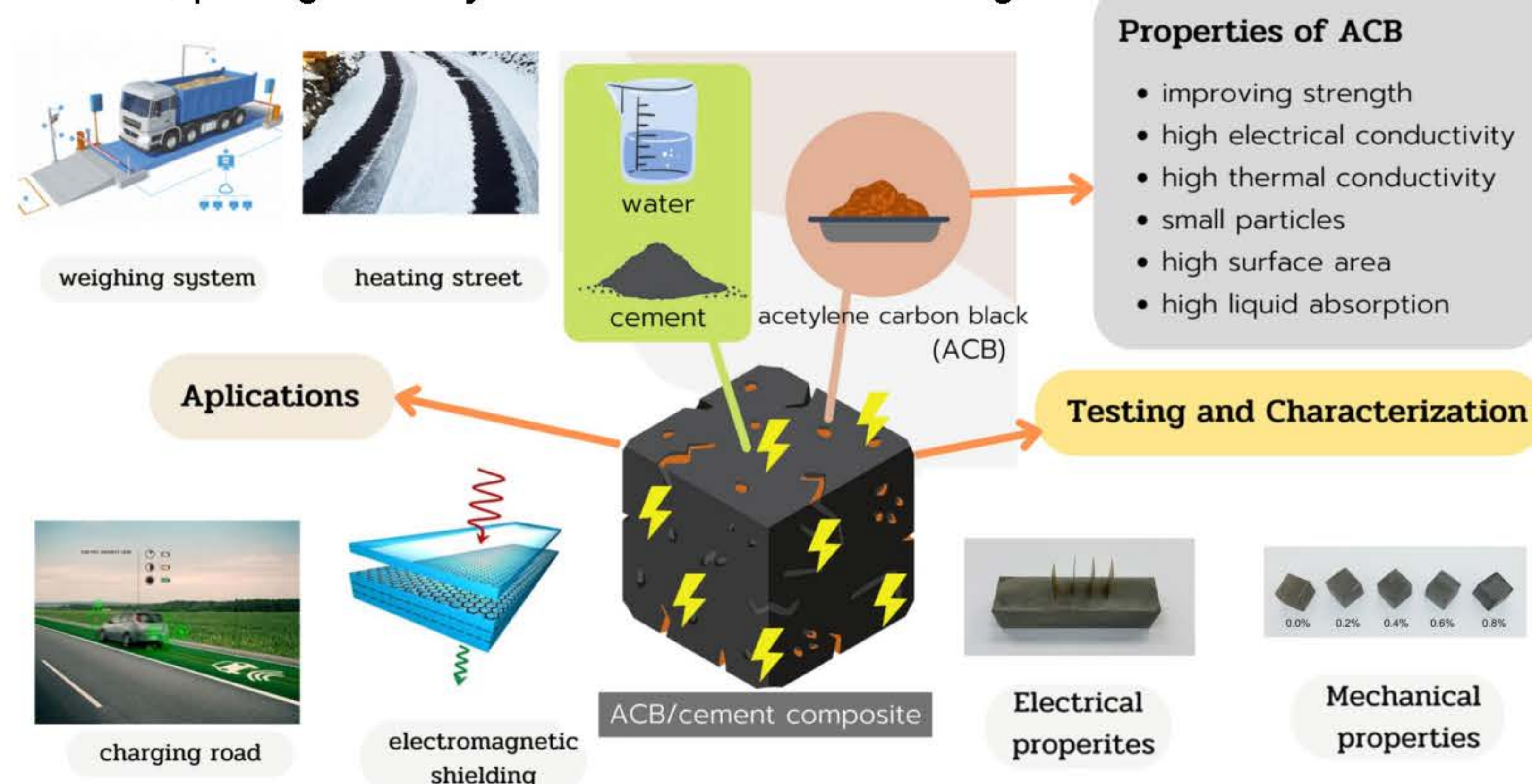
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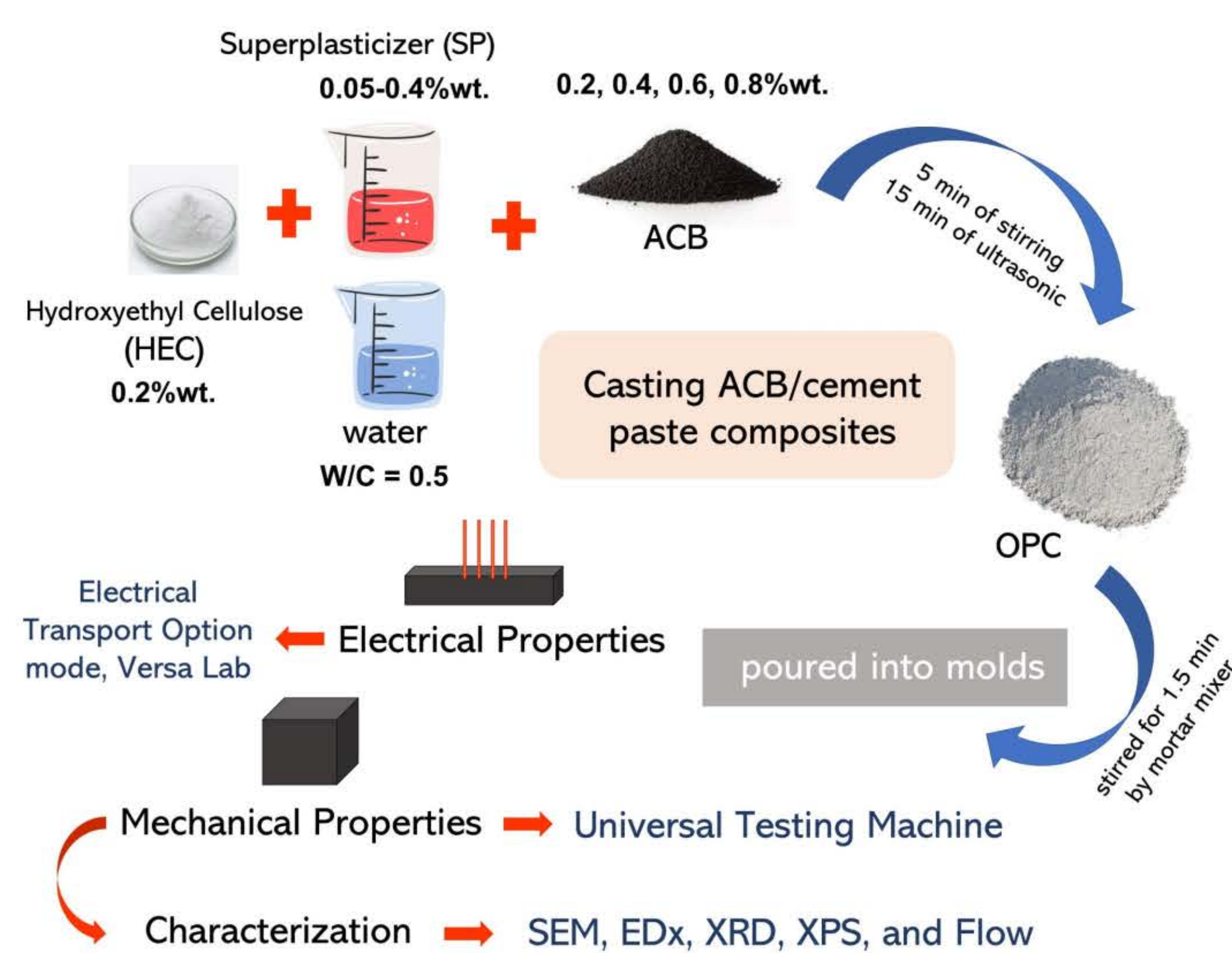


Introduction

Acetylene Carbon Black (ACB) particles are a carbon product obtained through the thermal decomposition process of acetylene gas. They have high mechanical properties and friction resistance. ACB also exhibits favorable electrical properties, leading to numerous studies that explore its combination with other materials to develop electrically conductive materials. This suggests that ACB has the potential for further advancements, contributing value to various products. Therefore, this project anticipates the advancement of these materials, paving the way for innovative breakthroughs.



Experimental



Conclusion

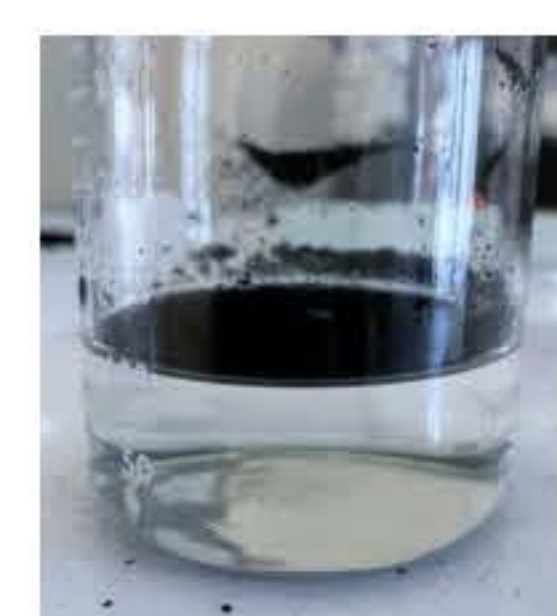
- ACB shows favorable electrical properties, driving research into its combination with other materials for electrically conductive materials, suggesting potential advancements.
- ACB's addition lowers electrical resistivity due to its very low resistance, acting as a bridge for efficient electron flow in the cement paste.
- Compressive strength declined with 0.4%wt. ACB at 7 and 14 days, attributed to reduced cement per unit. No impact on strength was observed after 28 days, indicating ACB's integration within the microstructure and its ability to maintain strength.

Results & Discussion

Optimize Admixture for Casting



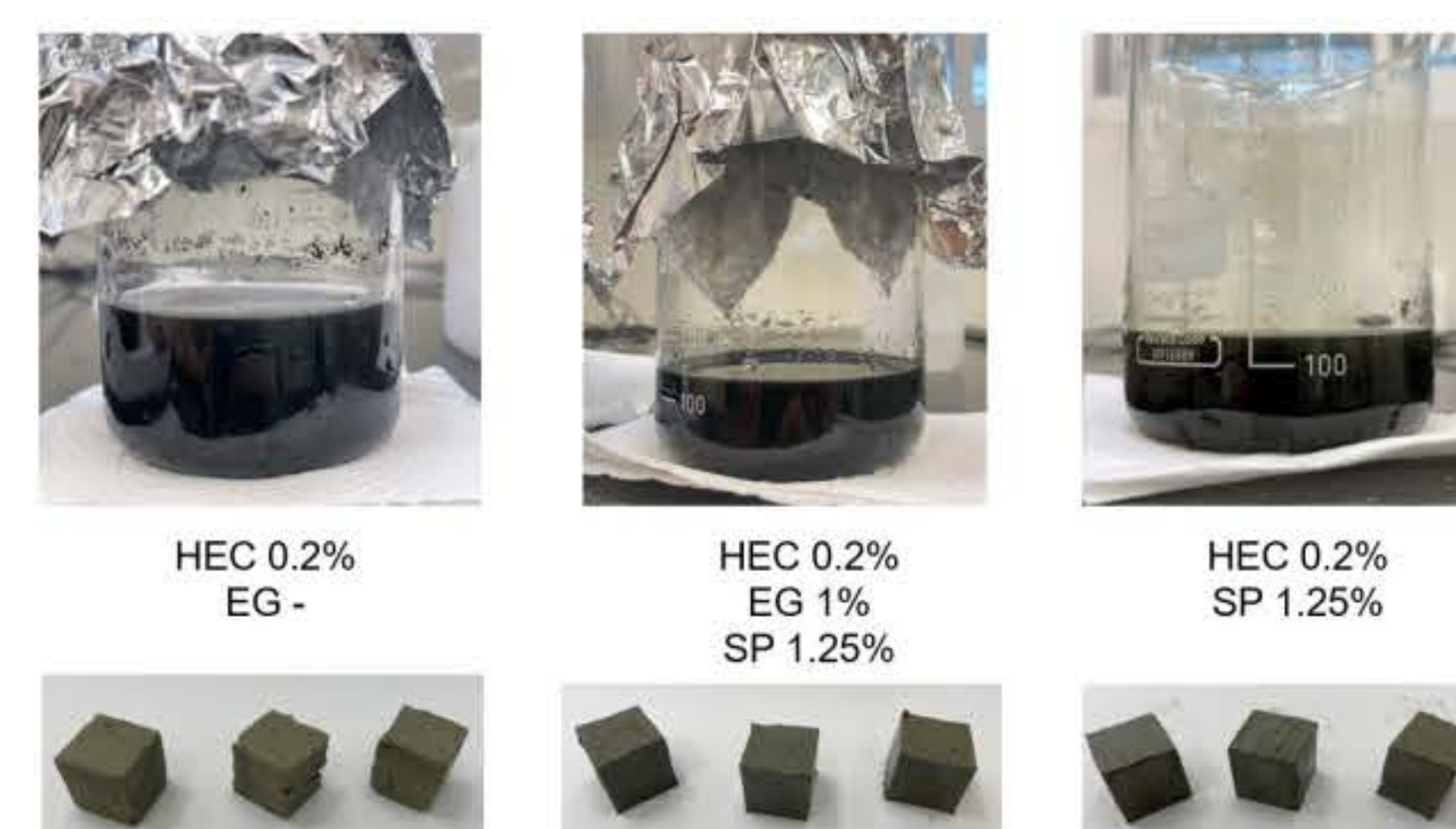
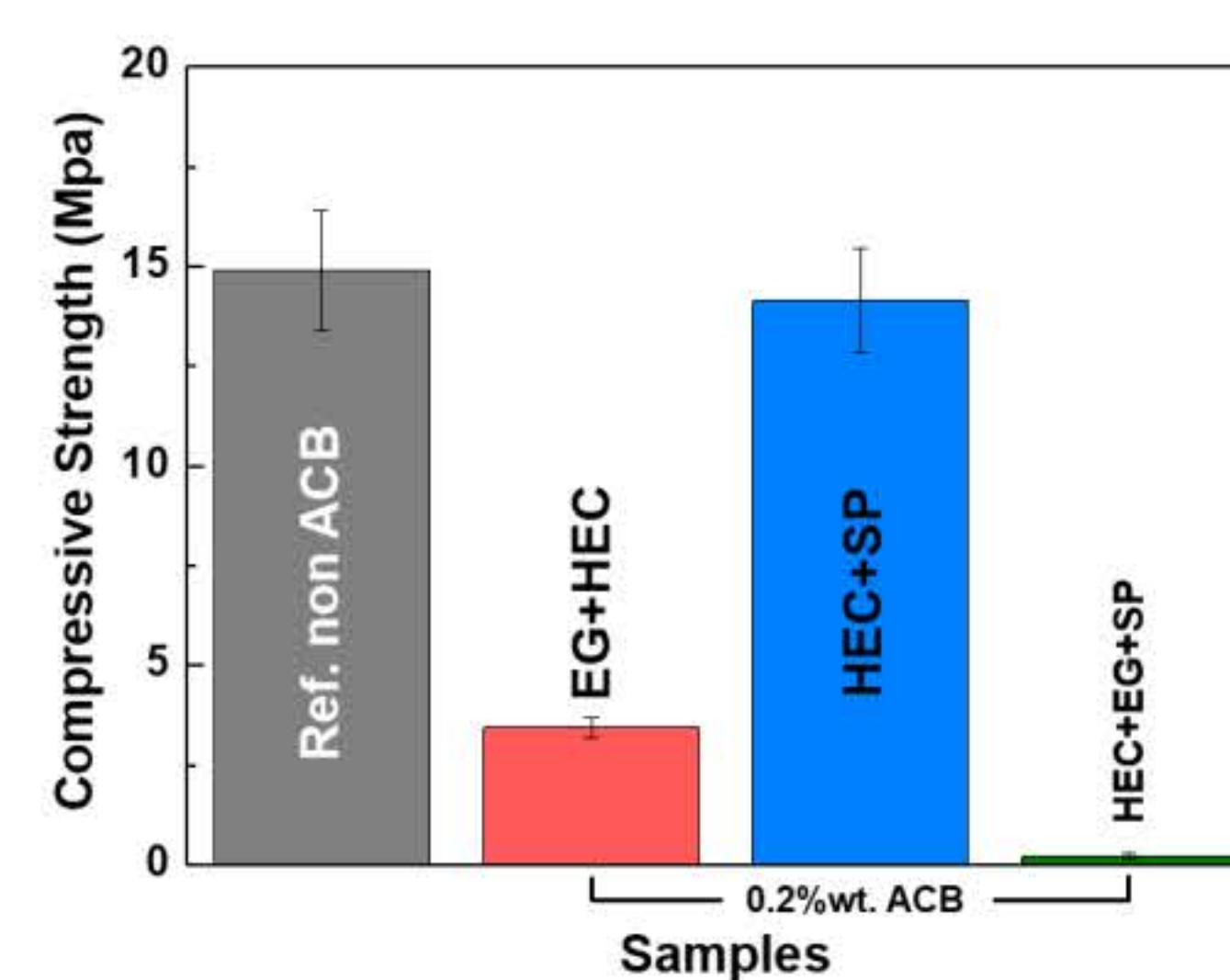
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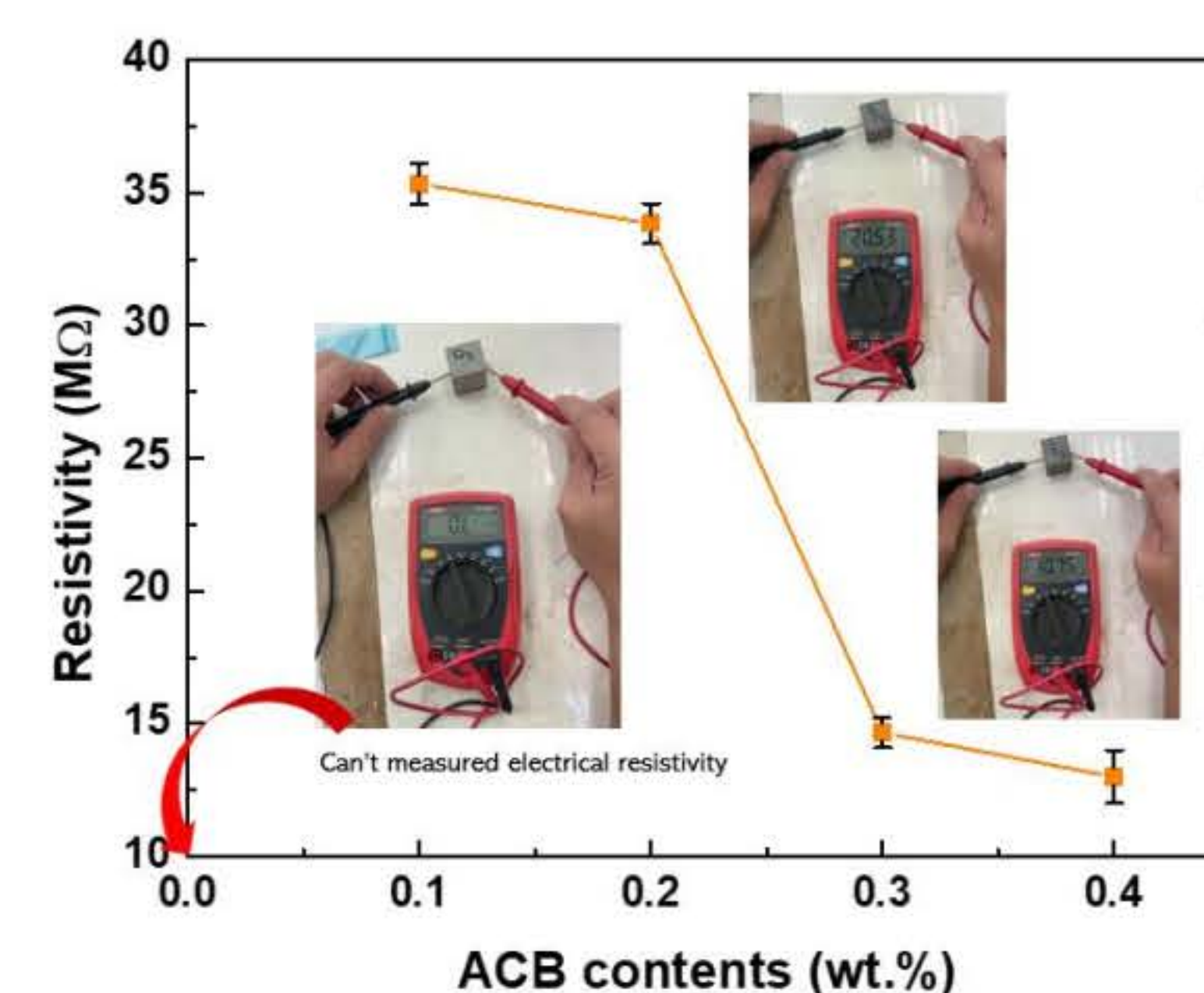
effect of hydrophobic

- At the outset, the challenge lies in the hydrophobic nature of casting ACB/cement samples, causing uneven distribution within the specimen.

- Optimal conditions involve the utilization of 0.2% weight of HEC and 0.05-0.4% weight of SP, resulting in a smooth flow and easy casting in a mold.

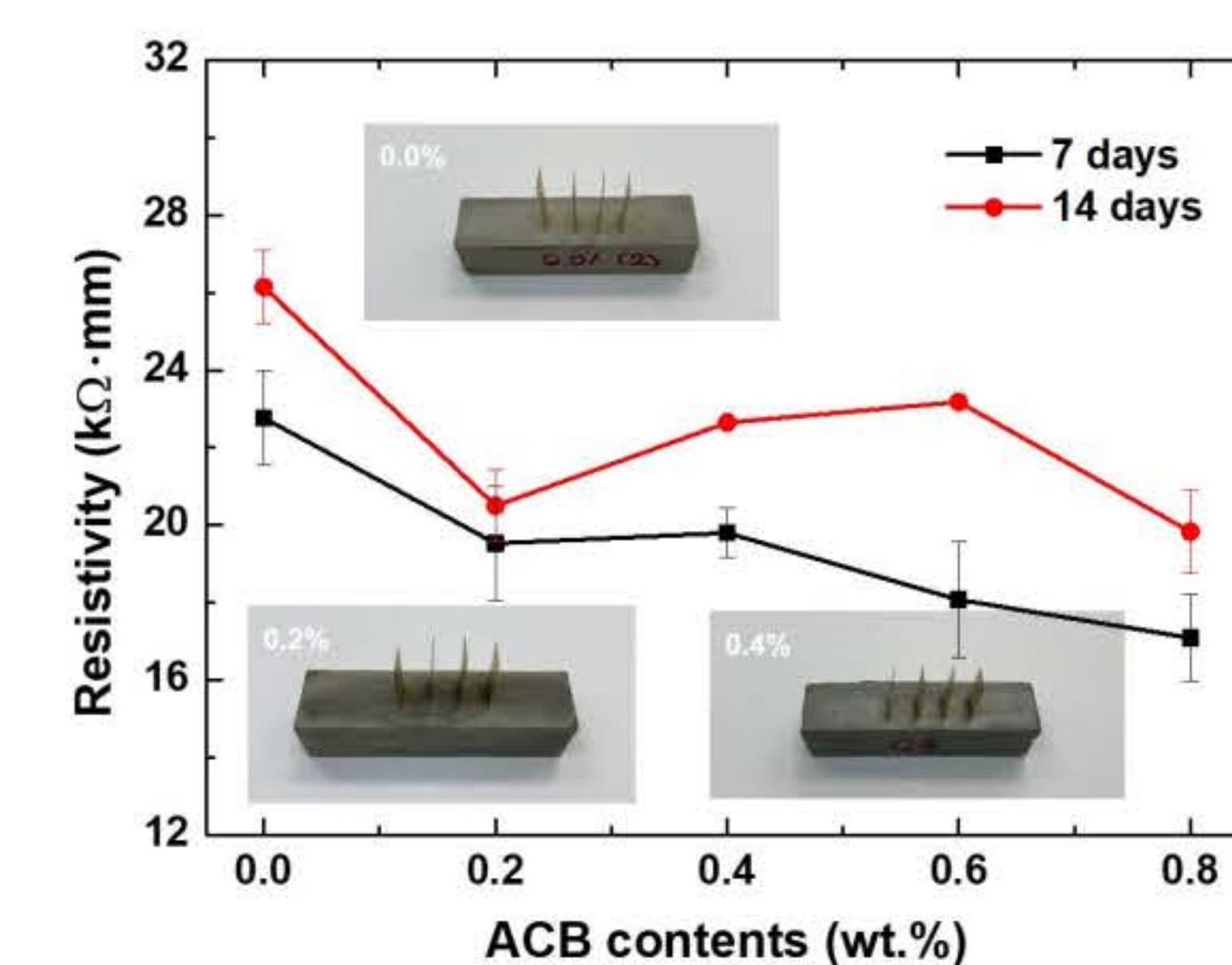


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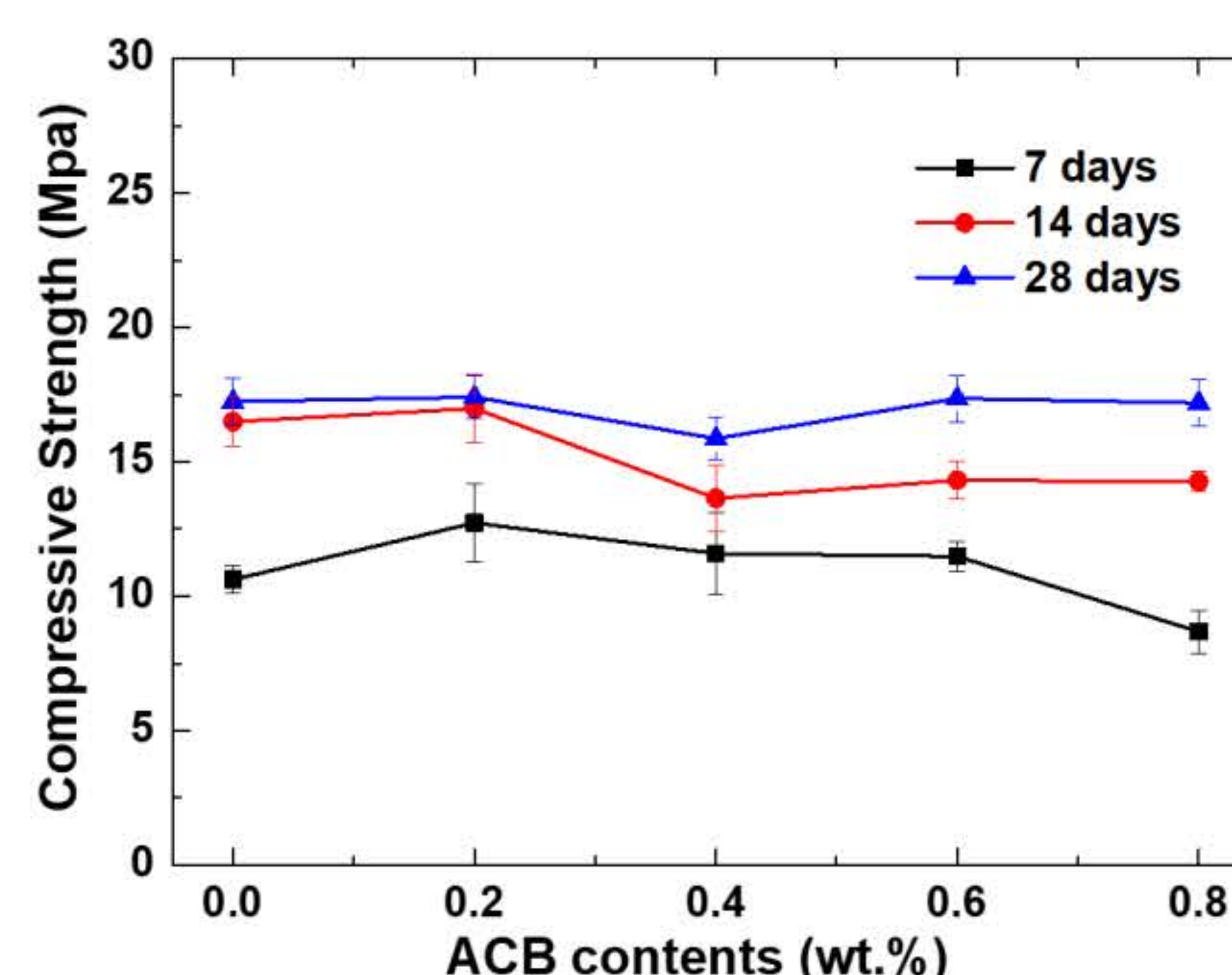
- The measurement using a multimeter and a more detailed measurement conducted with ETO mode (Versa Lab).

- The electrical resistivity decreases as more ACB is added. This happens because ACB has a very low resistance ($1.6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ k}\Omega \cdot \text{mm}$), allowing for highly efficient electrical conductivity in the cement paste.



- For the curing time of cement, the electrical resistance goes up due to the reaction between cement and water forming an aluminosilicate phase. Which has higher resistance.

Mechanical Properties



- The curing periods of 7 and 14 days, adding more 0.4%wt. of ACB resulted in a decline in compressive strength. This was due to a low amount of the binder.

- However, for the 28 days curing period, the addition of ACB had no impact on compressive strength due to a complete cement reaction. ACB embeds itself within the microstructure's pores

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Development of Natural Rubber Nanocomposites as an Air Filter for *CO₂ Capture & Energy Harvesting*



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Introduction

Global warming has become an increasingly critical global issue, largely due to the presence of greenhouse gases, with carbon dioxide (CO₂) emerging as one of the main causes. These emissions are primarily generated by the burning of fossil fuels and a variety of industrial activities, including manufacturing, mining and construction, drawing attention to the urgent need for comprehensive solutions. Carbon capture and storage (CCS) technology is a promising way to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and mitigate the effects of climate change. However, conventional CCS techniques such as absorption, membrane separation and cryogenic processes face significant challenges, including cost effectiveness, energy efficiency and overall performance. In response to these issues, this study presents an air filtration system based on a triboelectric nanogenerator (TENG-based air filtration system) (Fig. 1) specifically designed for particulate matter and CO₂ capture.

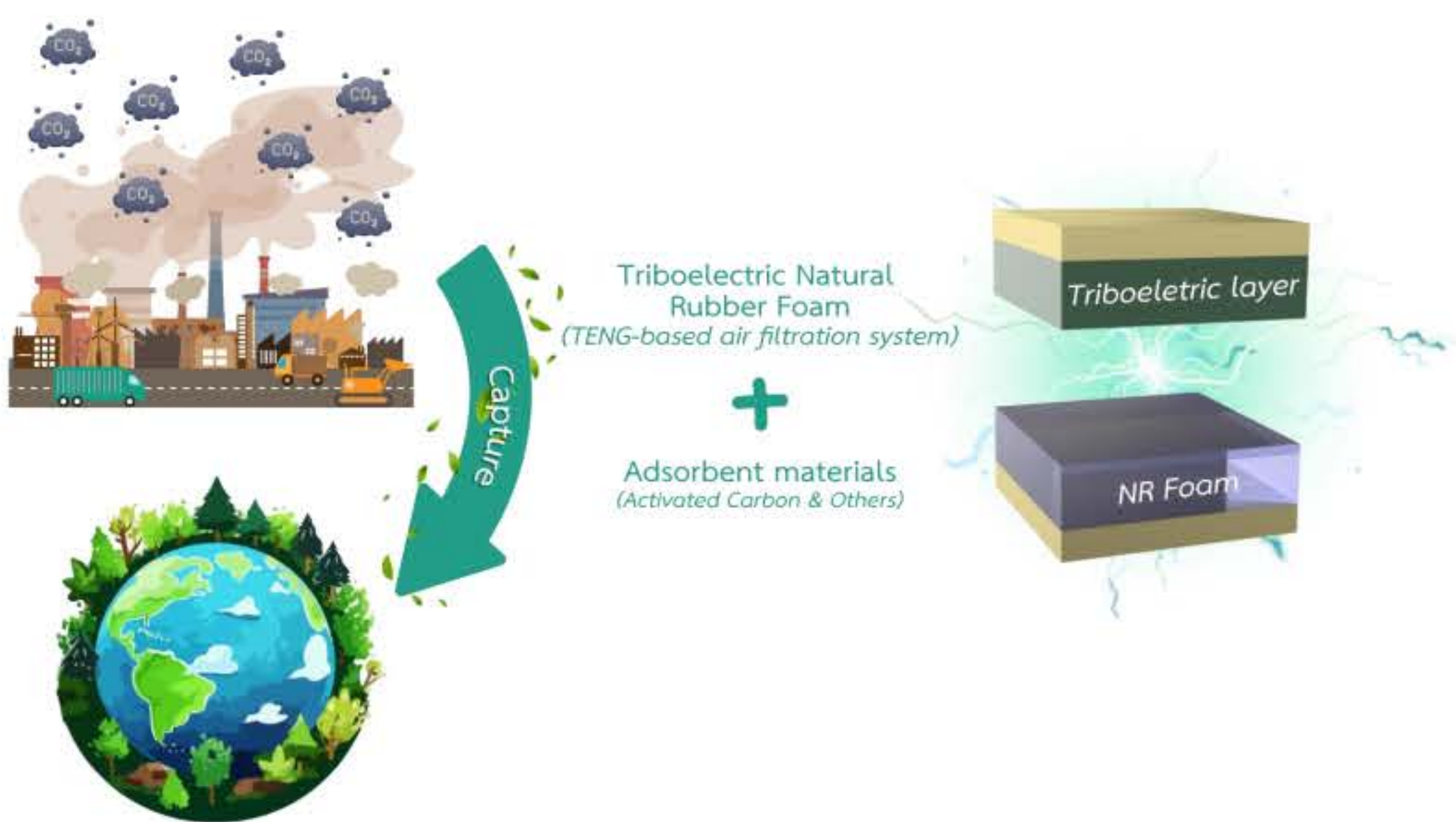


Figure 1. TENG-based air filter for CO₂ capture.

The TENG-based air filtration system consists of two parts, one of which is made of porous natural rubber with adsorbent materials for filtration and the other of a triboelectric material. The phenomenon of triboelectrification on a TENG part creates an electric field that attracts and easily traps CO₂ molecules on the filter, as shown in Fig. 2. In addition, the porous structure of the natural rubber (NR) foam layer, which carries carbon adsorbents such as activated carbon and mesoporous silica, effectively improves CO₂ capture efficiency. The TENG-based air filtration system offers significant potential as a cost-effective and highly efficient air filter for CO₂ capture.

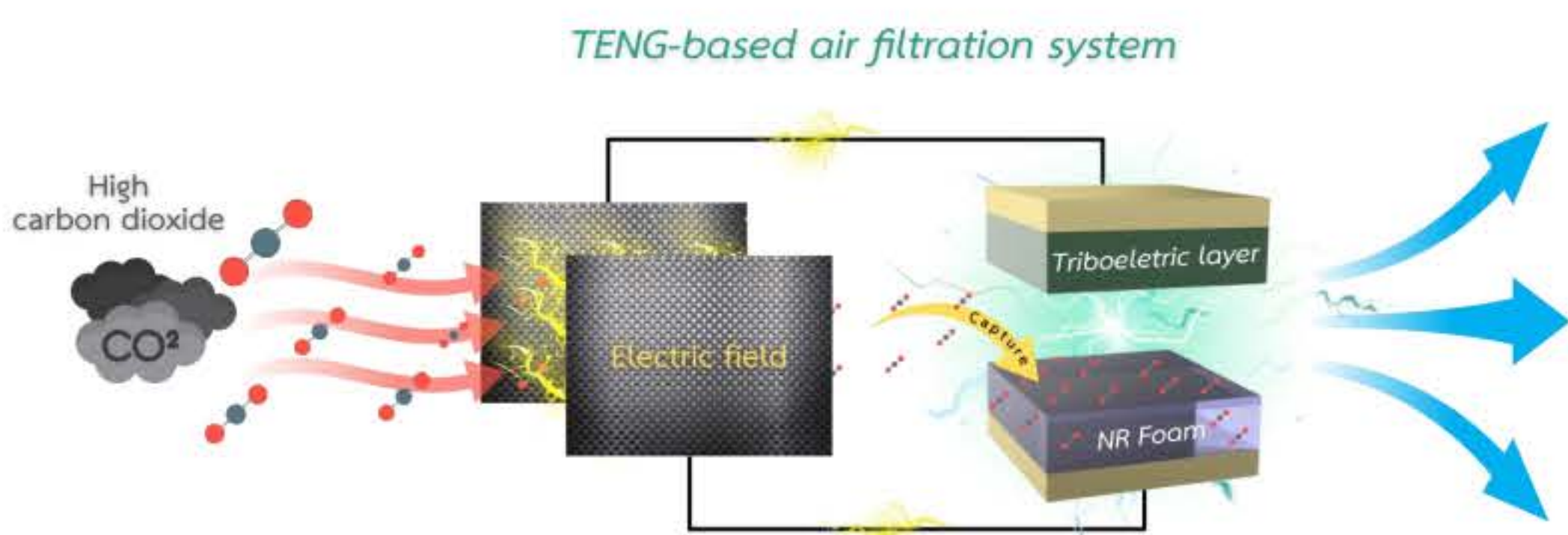


Figure 2. The structure and operation of TENG-based air filtration system for CO₂ capture.

Methods

The production of the natural rubber foam filter (NR-foam filter) begins with the mixture of natural latex with adsorbent materials, such as activated carbon (AC). This mixture is processed for 1 minute with a foam generator to ensure compatibility. The NR foam solution is then poured as a thin layer onto a glass surface. The foam solution was then heated overnight at 60 °C, resulting in a robust and effective air filter for a TENG-based air filtration system (see Fig. 3).

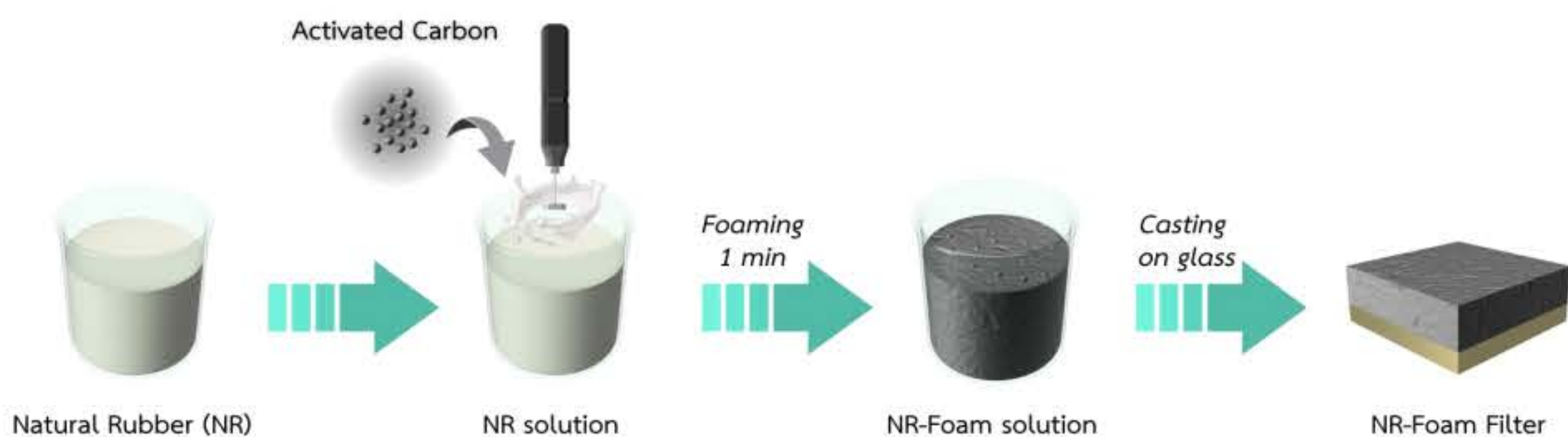


Figure 3. Preparation procedure of NR-Foam filter for TENG-based air filtration system.

Fig. 4 shows a schematic representation of the experimental setup for the evaluation of CO₂ adsorption. To remove any physically or chemically adsorbed CO₂ in the sorbent materials, the filter was treated overnight at 60 °C and the chamber was purged with N₂ gas to remove any remaining residue. The CO₂ and N₂ gasses were then premixed in the gas mixer chamber before being sent to the gas inlet analyzer positioned upstream of the filter. CO₂ adsorption was studied using CO₂ analyzers based on the measurement of the difference between the total CO₂ detected at the inlet and the CO₂ detected at the outlet.

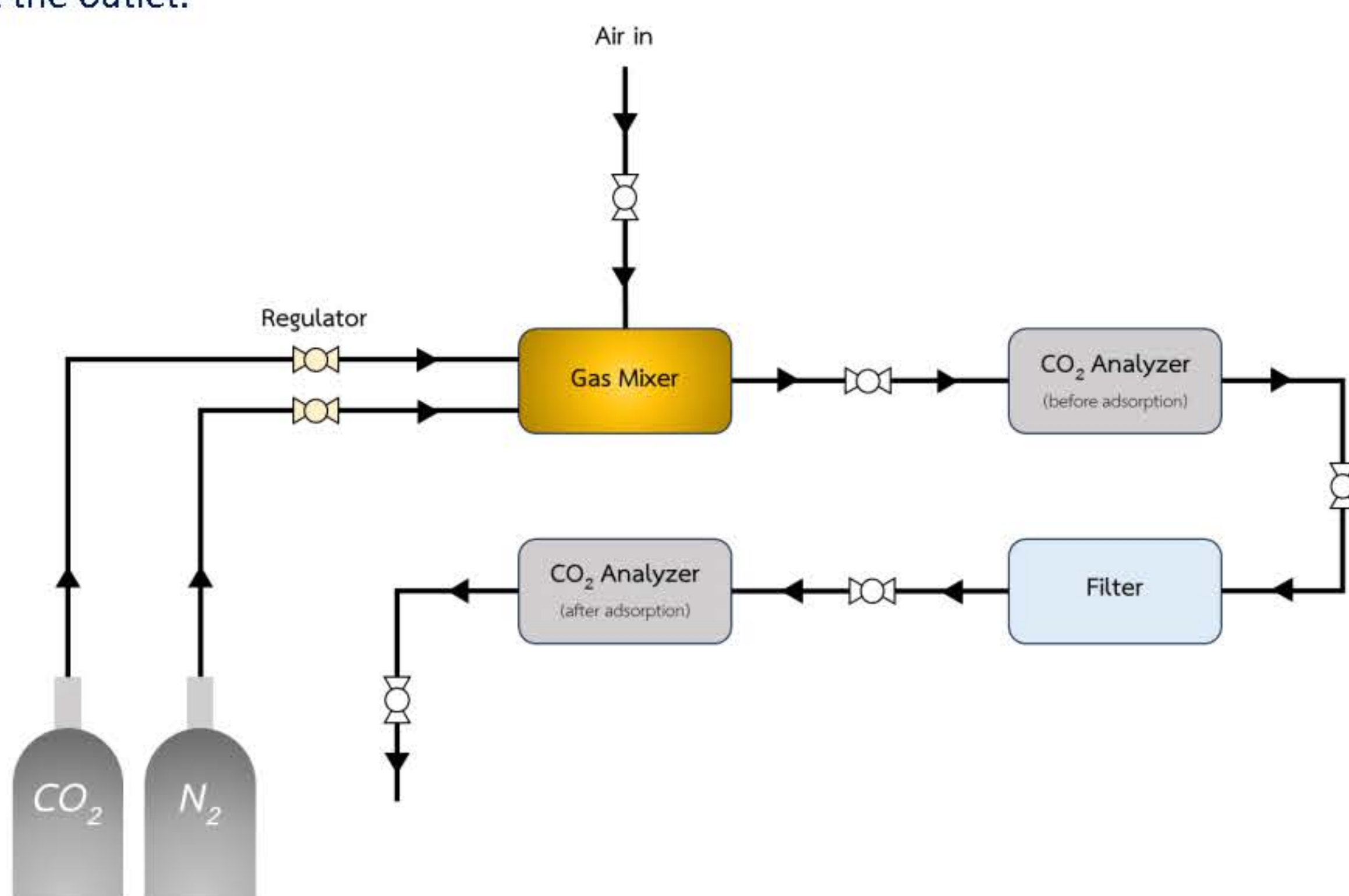


Figure 4. Schematic illustration of the CO₂ adsorption setup used in this study.

Results & Discussion

To develop air filters from natural rubber foam, it was found that the use of natural rubber latex subjected to the foaming process to produce a film resulted in a surface with more pores and roughness than using normal natural rubber latex to produce a film. This is because the foaming process creates a network of tiny air pockets in the rubber, which increase the surface area and make the material more porous. The rough surface of the foam rubber is also beneficial for air filtration, as it provides a larger surface area for particles to adhere to. When activated carbon, an absorbent material, was mixed into the foam rubber, the activated carbon was able to distribute itself evenly in the material and on the surface. The even distribution of the activated carbon in the NR foam is important for effective air filtration as it ensures that the particles are evenly distributed throughout the material.

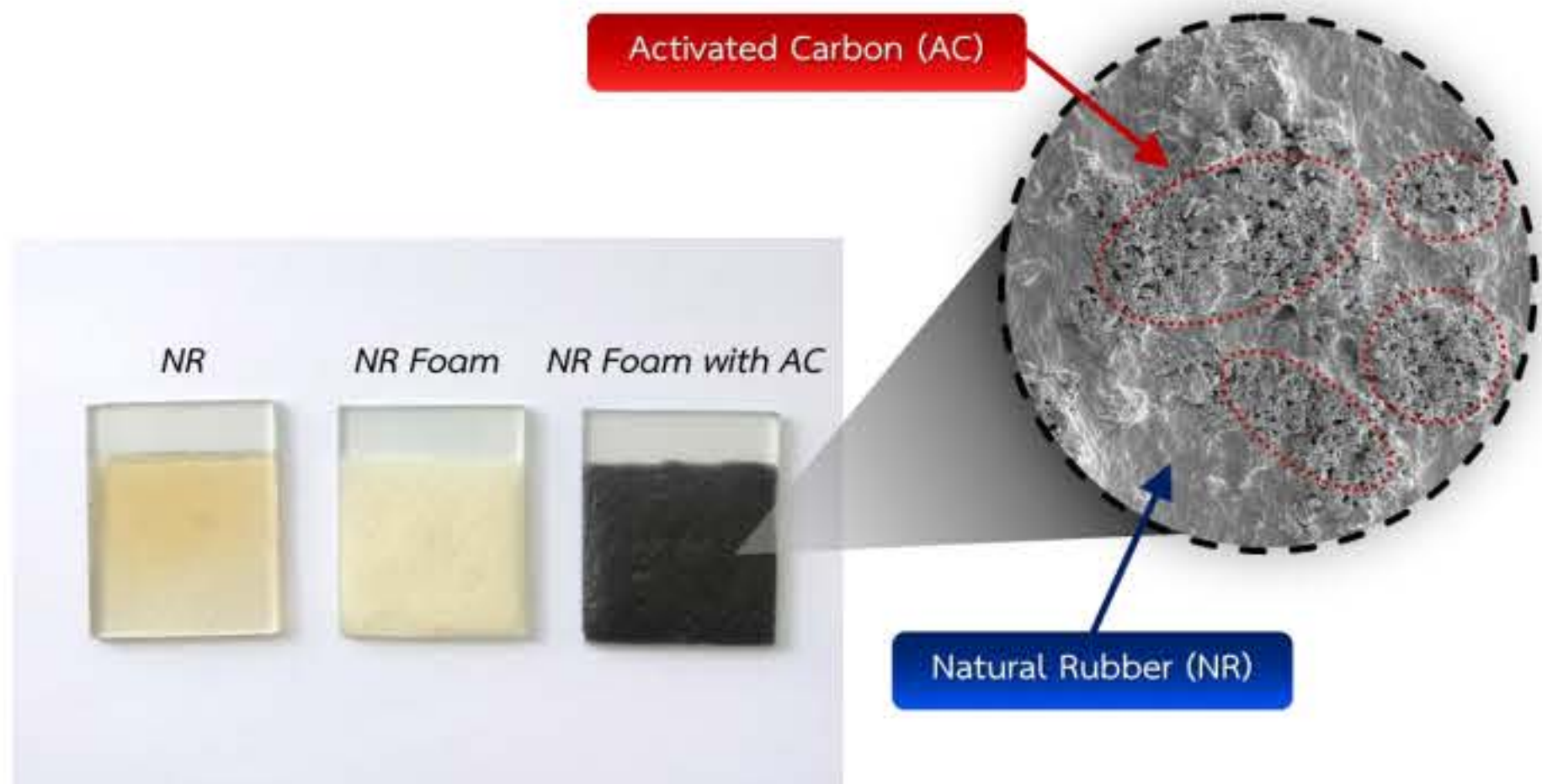


Figure 5. Photographs of NR film, NR foam and NR foam with activated carbon as an adsorption material.

The triboelectric effect is a process in which two materials that come into contact or rub against each other become electrically charged. This is because the materials have a different affinity for electrons. The material that tends to lose electrons becomes negatively charged, while the material that tends to gain electrons becomes positively charged. NR foam filters were tested for their ability to generate electricity through the triboelectric effect by testing them in combination with Teflon or polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE), which has a higher affinity for electrons than rubber. When the two materials were brought into contact, they exchanged charges, resulting in a voltage difference across their surfaces. The voltage difference induced a current in a conductive aluminum (Al) electrode which was connected to both materials via a load, as shown in Fig. 6. The voltage generated by the NR-foam filter mixed with AC was approximately 90 V, which was twice the voltage generated by an ordinary natural rubber film. The electricity generated by the NR foam filter can be used to generate an electric field to improve the efficiency of CO₂ capture. These results suggest that NR-foam filters have the potential to be used as a new type of CO₂ capture material. The filters are relatively inexpensive to produce and have a high efficiency in generating electricity. The electricity generated can be used to create an electric field to improve the efficiency of CO₂ capture.

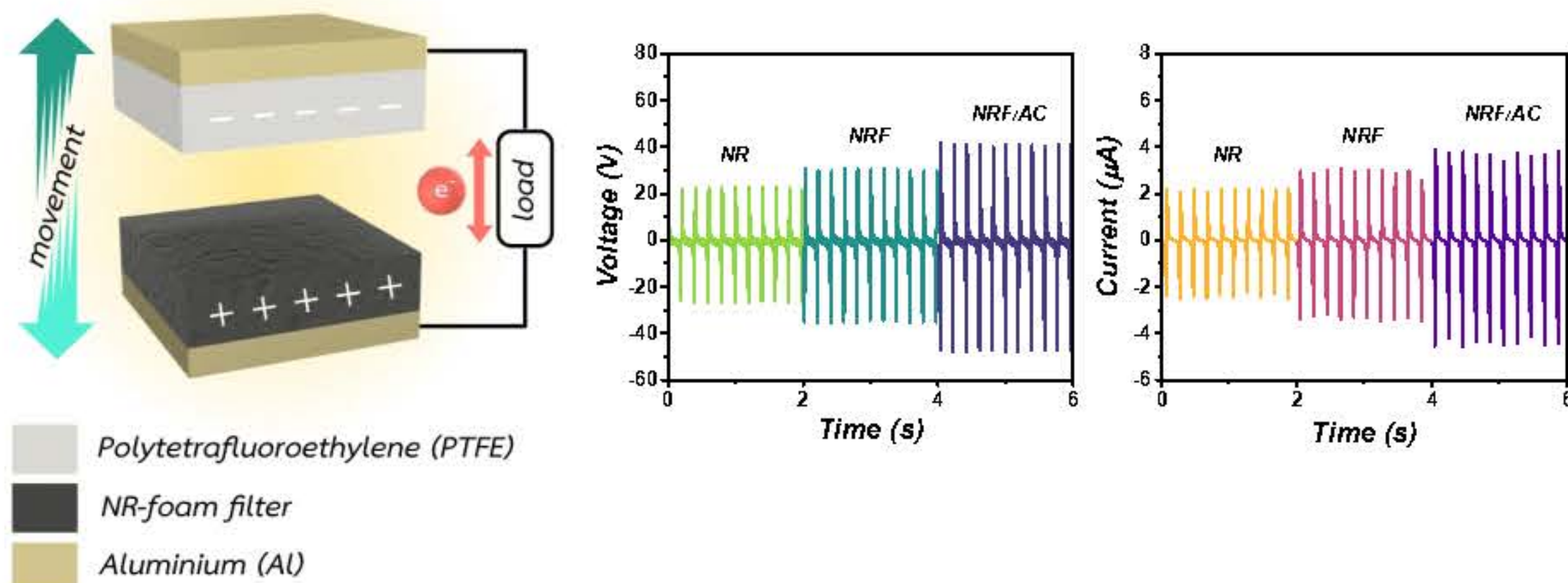


Figure 6. The operation of TENG with electrical output voltage and current.

To evaluate the effectiveness of CO₂ capture by an NR-foam filter layer, a customized test setup was used, which is shown in Fig. 4. The gas was introduced into the system and its passage through the air filter sheet was monitored to quantify the efficiency of CO₂ removal. Using a NR-foam filter, the result showed a maximum CO₂ removal rate of 75%, as shown in Figure 7. However, this high removal efficiency was accompanied by sub-optimal air permeability, suggesting that the filter may not be suitable for applications requiring high airflow. Furthermore, no electrical energy produced from TENG was used to enhance CO₂ attraction in the experiment, suggesting that further optimization could be achieved by using this technique.



Figure 7. The result of CO₂ adsorption system with an NR-foam filter.

Conclusion

NR-foam filters exhibit potential for dual applications in air purification and CO₂ capture. Foaming increased the porosity and surface roughness, which improves the efficiency of air filtration. The addition of activated carbon ensured uniform distribution and significantly increased filtration performance. NR-foam filters generated remarkable electrical output (approximately 90 V), making them cost-effective energy sources for CO₂ capture. Further optimization using the electrical energy of the triboelectric nanogenerator could maximize the filtration performance. Overall, NR-foam filters prove to be promising, affordable and energy-efficient solutions for sustainable air purification and CO₂ capture processes.

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Topic: Development of carbon dioxide carriers by nanobubble techniques for enhancing economic plant growth

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Introduction

Plant growth is crucial factor in establishing the yield of crops. Enhancing the plant growth certainly produces a good yield of crops in both quality and quantity.

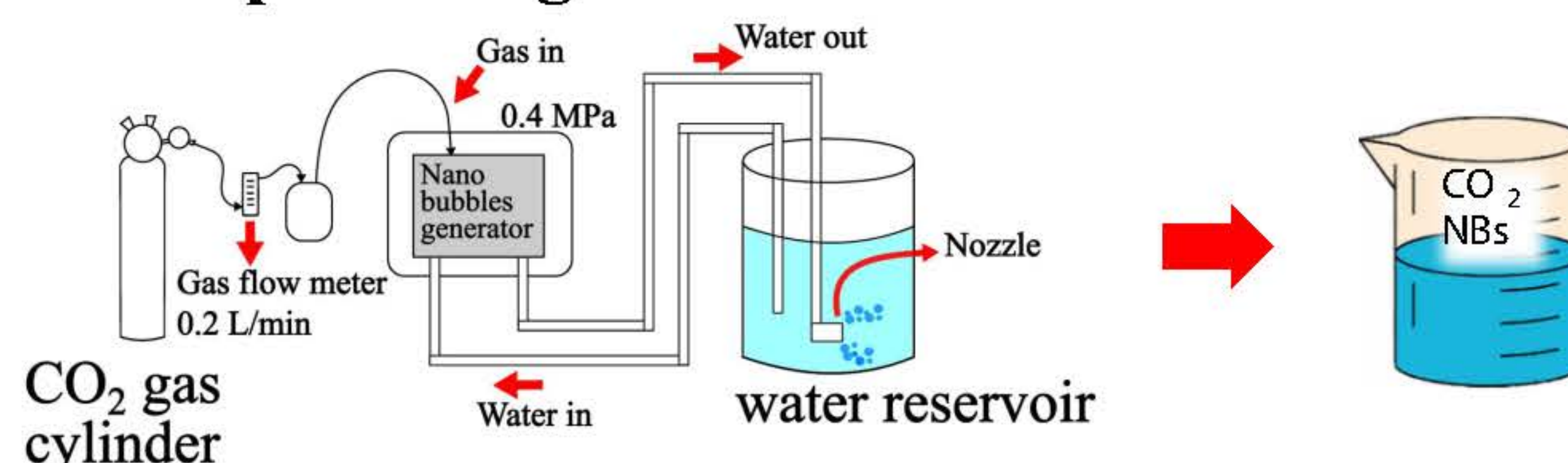
To promote the plant growth, plant nutrients and photosynthesis reaction are essential parameters. Plant nutrients received from the soil such as nitrogen and potassium, can reduce the effects of plant stress. Additionally, photosynthesis in the leaves of the plant is the main source for their growth. Water (H₂O), carbon dioxide (CO₂) and sunlight are precursors of the photosynthesis reaction.

The photosynthesis rate can be increased by elevating the CO₂ concentration. Accordingly, nanobubble (NBs) techniques play a role in increasing CO₂ concentration in water, know as CO₂ NBs. The CO₂ NBs can be used as foliar fertilization to promote plant growth. Therefore, the stabilization of CO₂ NBs is essential.

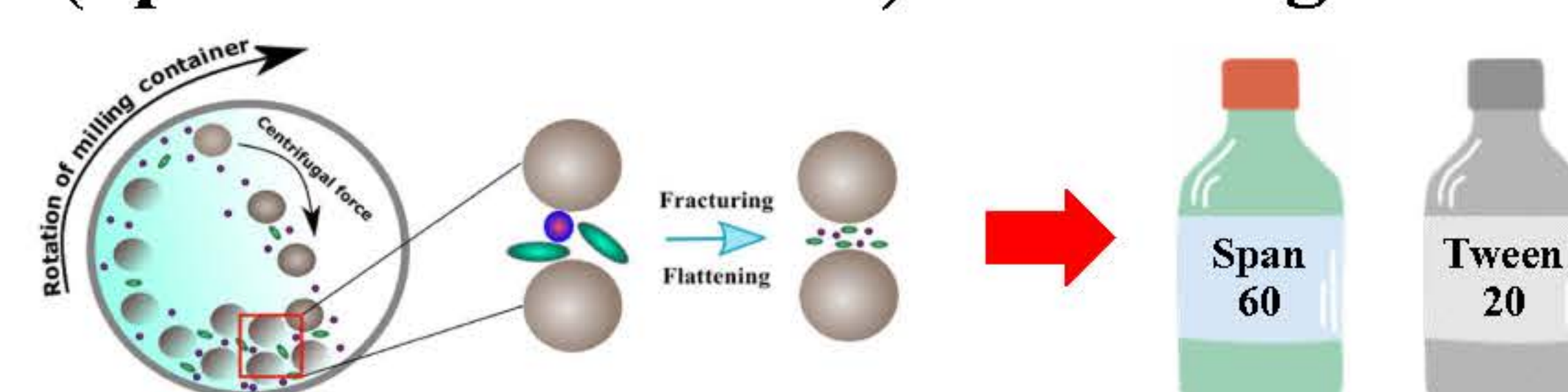
To enhance stability, we generated CO₂ NBs and added the surfactant, Span 60 (SP60), and a combination of Span 60/Tween 20 (TW20) to the CO₂ NBs. Additionally, the expected effect of adding the surfactant is the slow release of CO₂ gas to the stoma of plant, superbly promoting plant growth.

Methods

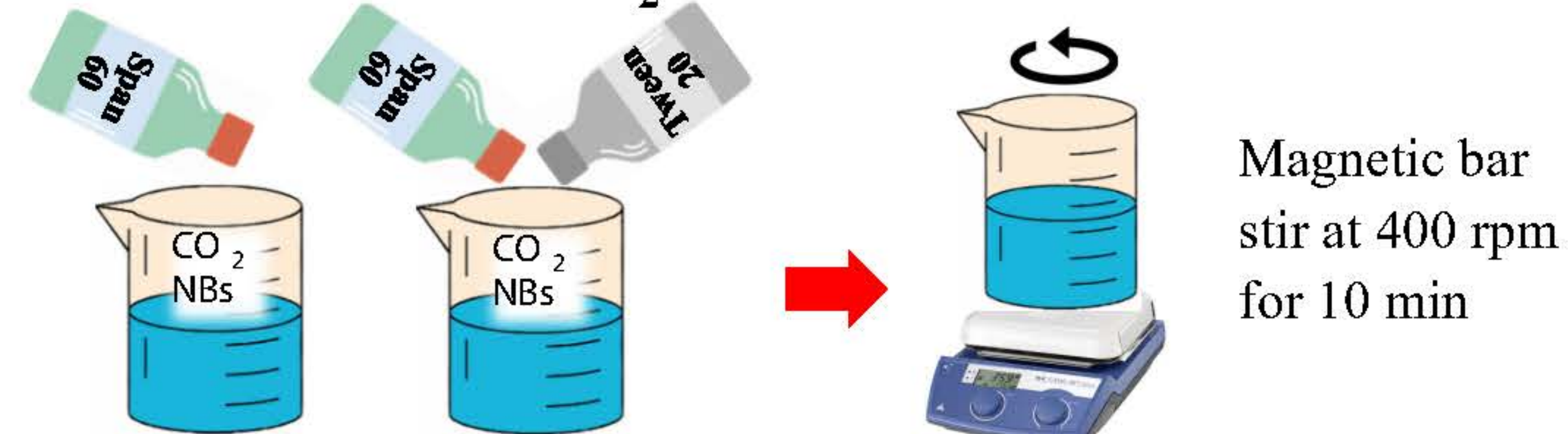
1. Generation of CO₂ nanobubbles (CO₂ NBs) by decompression generator



2. Preparation of non-ionic surfactant (Span60 and Tween20) via balling method

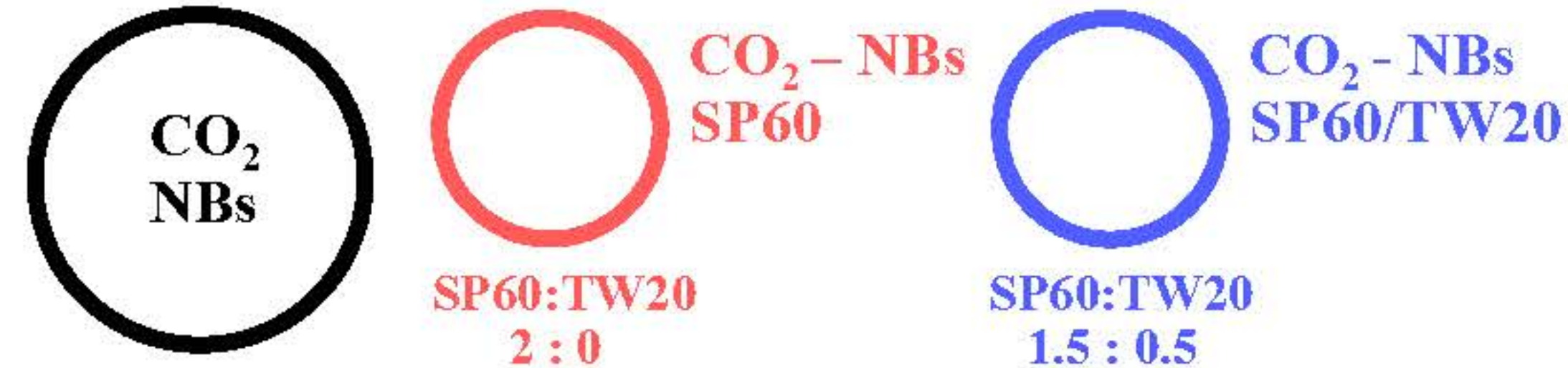


3. Combination of CO₂ NBs and non-ionic surfactant

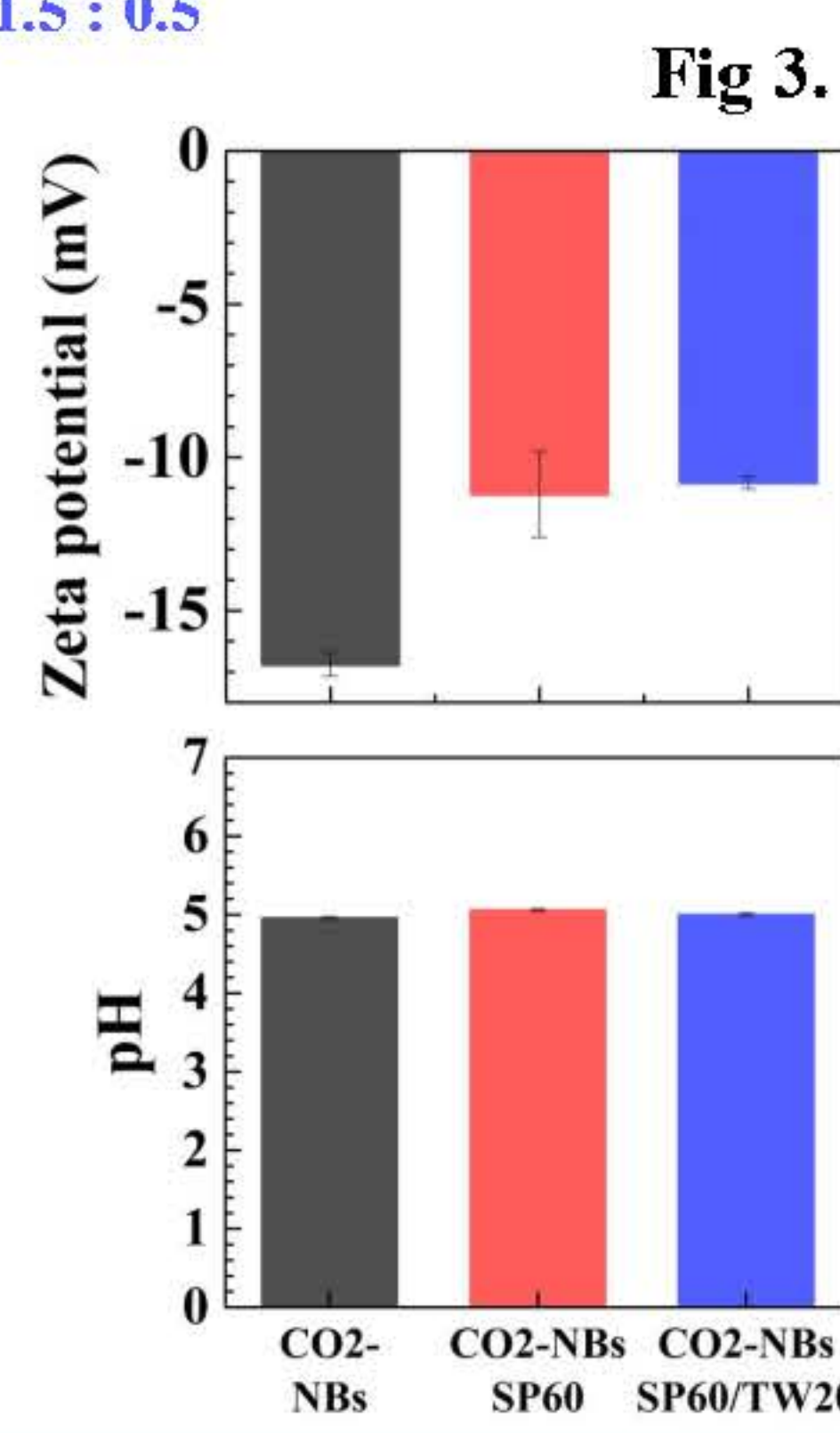
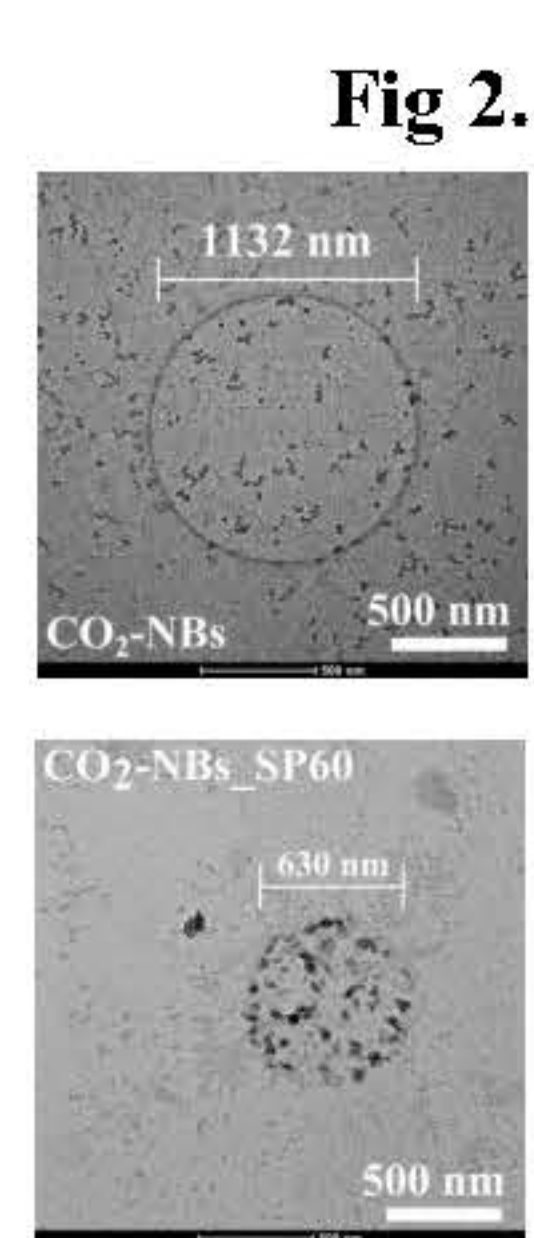
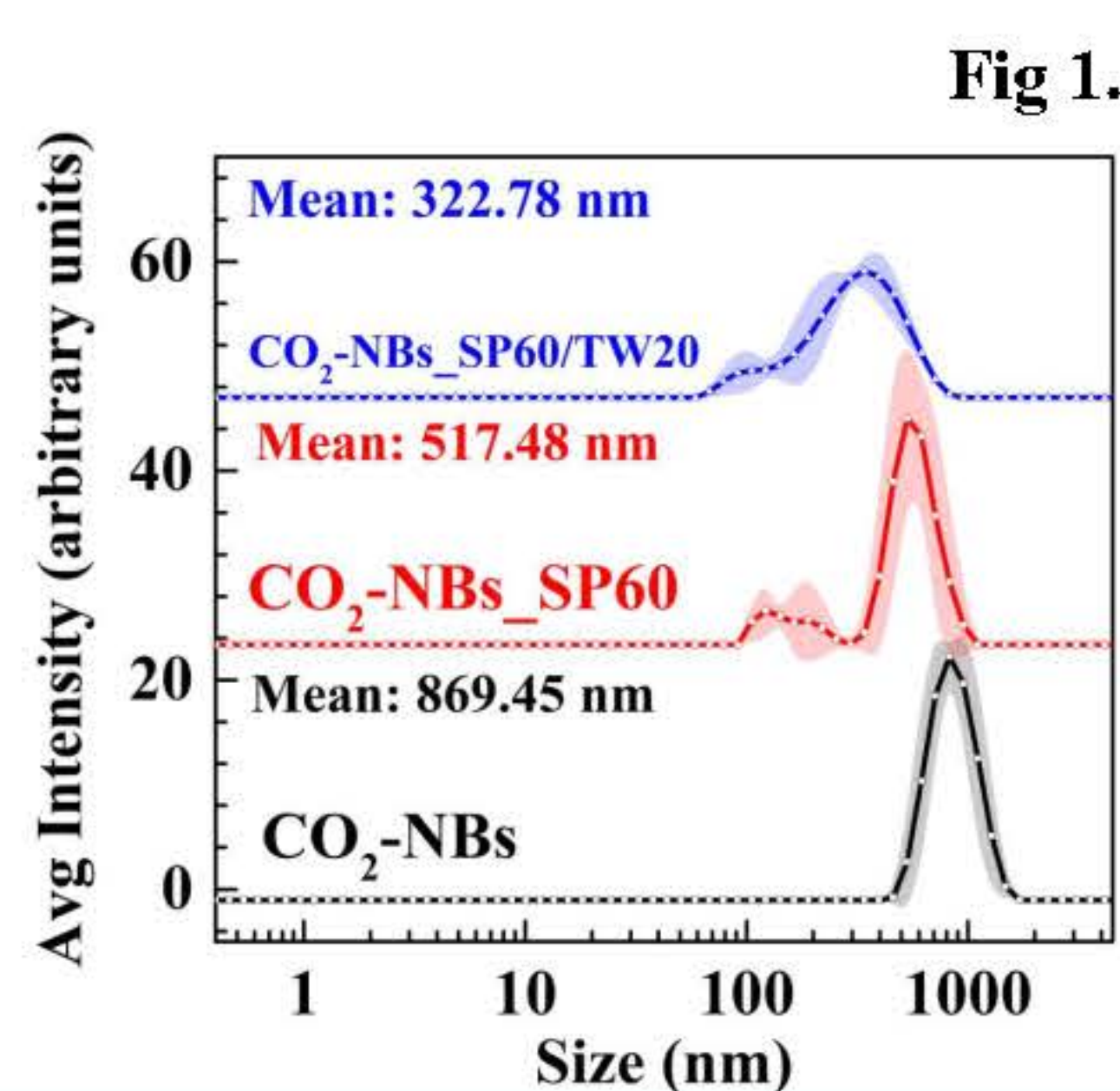


Results & Discussion

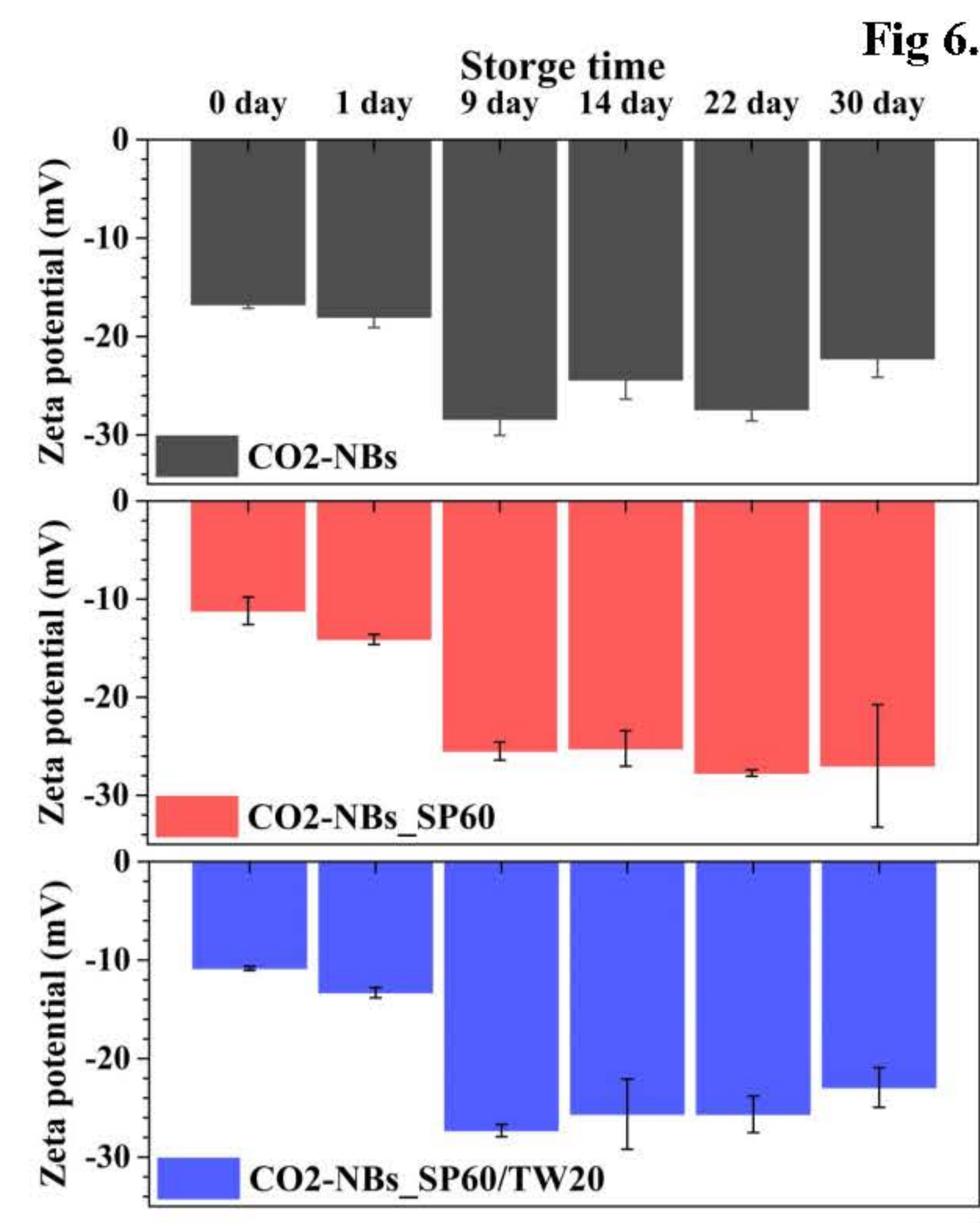
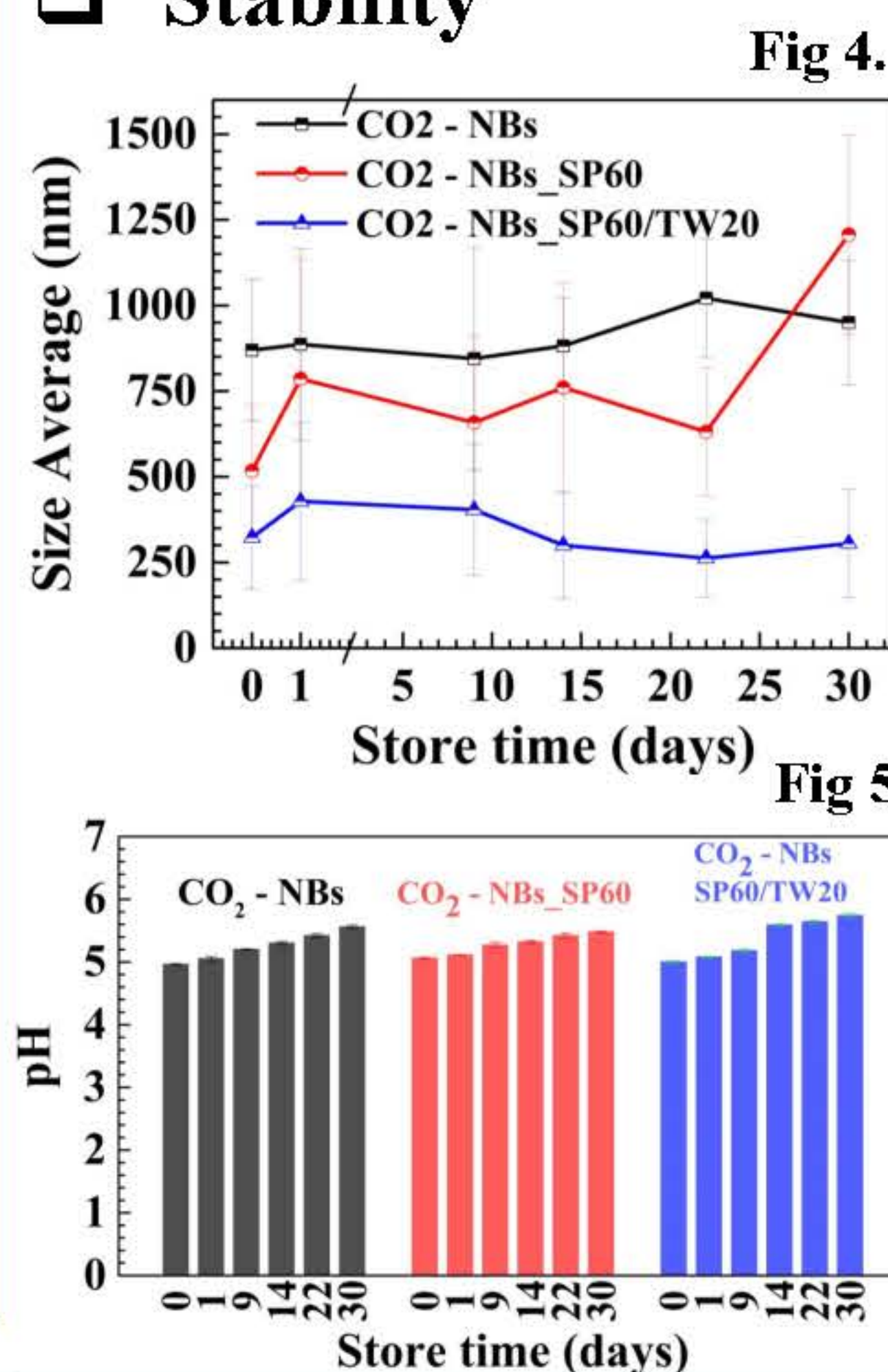
Samples



Physical properties



Stability



Conclusion

- CO₂-NBs with average bubbles size 869.45 nm can survive for 1 month in RO water and size average slightly increased to 1000 nm when store for 3 week.
- Addition of Span 60 and Span 60/Tween 20 can reduce the average particle size and Zeta potential of CO₂-NBs, but this was not affected to the pH value.
- pH value and Zeta potential of 3 samples were increased with increasing the store time.
- Tween 20 addition affect the stability of bubbles in CO₂-NBs _Sp60 sample. It encourage size retention of bubbles.

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Green Porous Carbon Derived from Sawdust Activated by a Seawater Activator for a Supercapacitor Application

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Introduction

Over the past decade, energy storage systems have garnered extensive attention due to the increasing demand for electric vehicles, wearable electronics, and portable devices in daily life. Supercapacitors, which offer high power densities, safe operation, and long-term stability, among various energy storage devices, play a crucial role in bridging the gap between batteries and dielectric capacitors.

Based on charge storage mechanisms, supercapacitors can be divided into two categories: electrical double-layer capacitors (EDLC) and pseudocapacitors (PDC). EDLC, the first type, relies on electrostatic charge separation at the electrode/electrolyte interface without involving a chemical reaction. Consequently, EDLC provides rapid charge-discharge rates and long-term stability. In contrast, the second type, PDC, relies on a combination of the EDLC mechanism and an electrochemical reversible redox reaction. As a result, PDC offers higher specific capacitance but lower cycling stability than EDLC.

Activated carbon (AC) emerges as a promising candidate for EDLC electrodes due to its abundant availability, cost-effectiveness, and environmentally friendly nature. AC derived from biowaste such as rice husk, orange peel, reed straw, bamboo, and sugarcane bagasse can be easily prepared using an activation process. There are two types of the activation: physical and chemical activation. AC prepared by chemical activation provides higher specific surface areas than physical activation.

This study synthesized activated carbon (AC) from sawdust biomass using a seawater activator, specifically chemical activation. This approach is novel, as there have been no prior reports on AC derived from the sawdust activated through the seawater for supercapacitive applications. Moreover, this method enhances the value of the sawdust and reduces manufacturing costs.

Methods



Results & Discussion

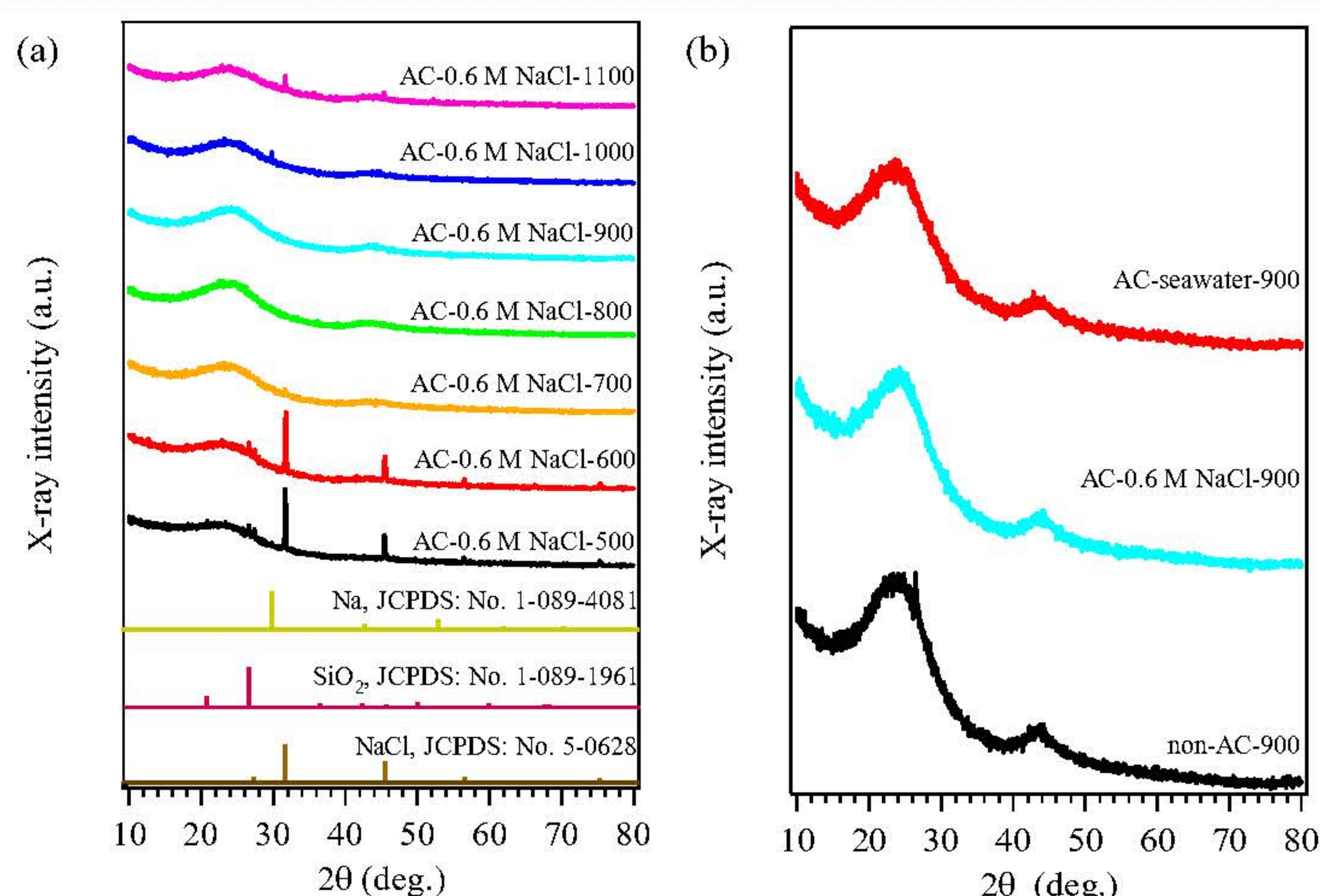


Fig. 1 XRD spectra of (a) ACs treated with a 0.6 M NaCl solution at different temperatures and (b) ACs treated with various activators at 900 °C.

XRD results

At different temperatures

Activated carbons (ACs) treated with the 0.6 M NaCl solution at 800 °C (AC-0.6 M NaCl-800) and 900 °C (AC-0.6 M NaCl-900) exhibit pure amorphous carbons, whereas other ACs contain impurities.

XRD results

At various activators

All ACs activated by various activators at 900 °C (non AC-900, AC-0.6 M NaCl-900, and AC-seawater-900) possess pure amorphous carbons.

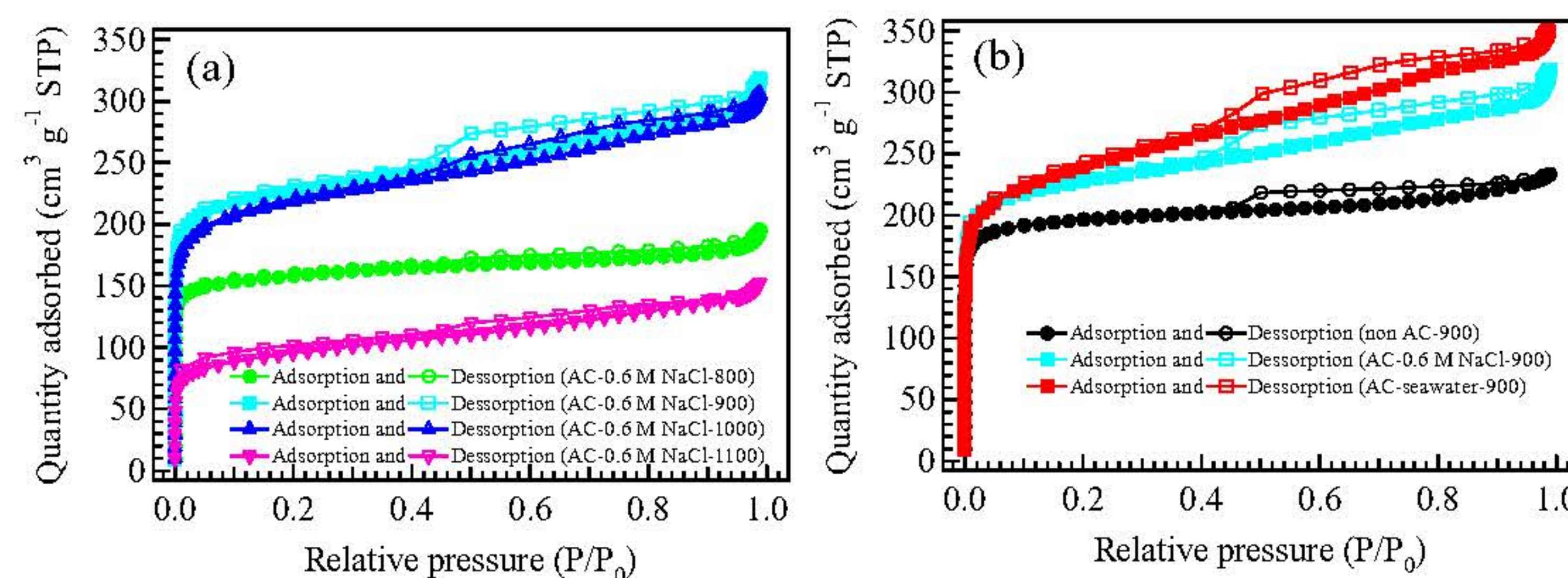


Fig. 2 N₂ adsorption/desorption isotherms of (a) ACs treated with the 0.6 M NaCl solutions at different temperatures and (b) ACs treated with various activators at 900 °C.

N₂ adsorption/desorption isotherms

At different temperatures

AC-0.6 M NaCl-900 powder provides the highest quantity absorbed, meaning its largest specific surface area.

At various activators

AC-seawater-900 and AC-0.6 M NaCl-900 powders show higher quantity absorbed than non-AC-900, indicating that two AC powders produce higher specific surface area than non-AC-900.

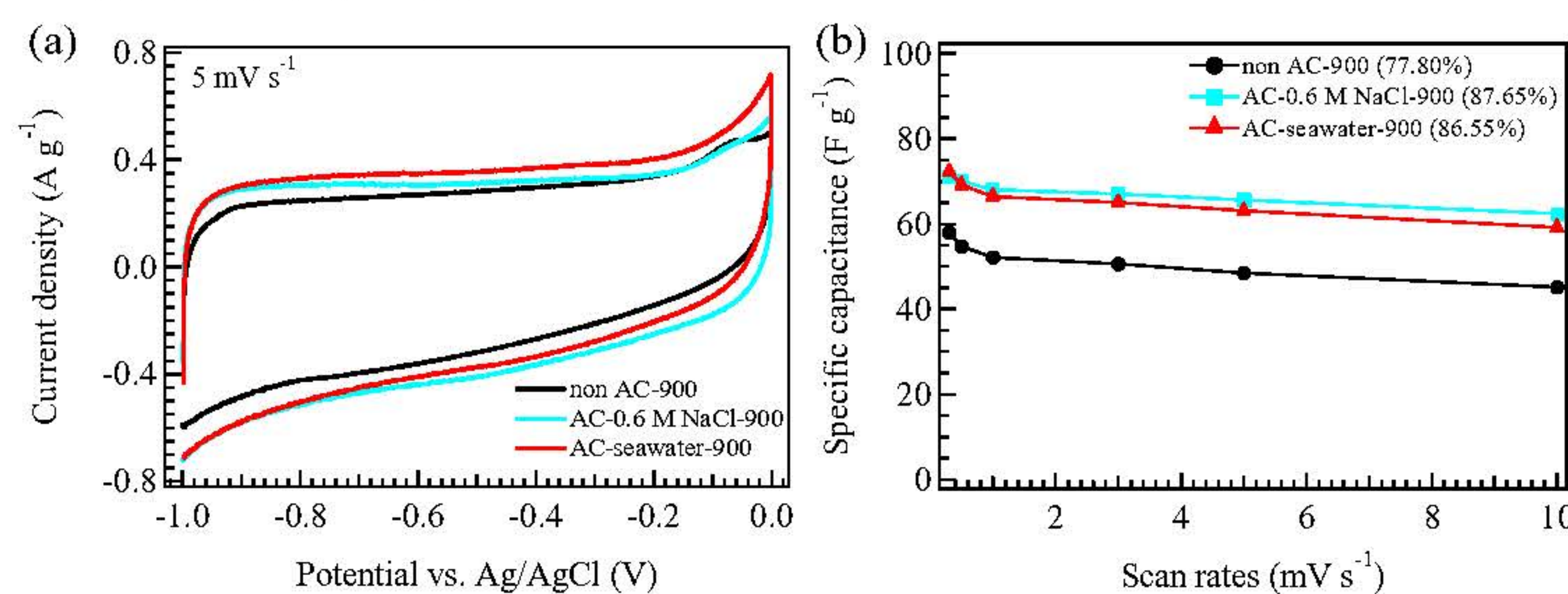


Fig. 3 CV curves of ACs treated with various activators at 900 °C (a) and specific capacitance of all AC electrodes calculated from CV curves.

CV

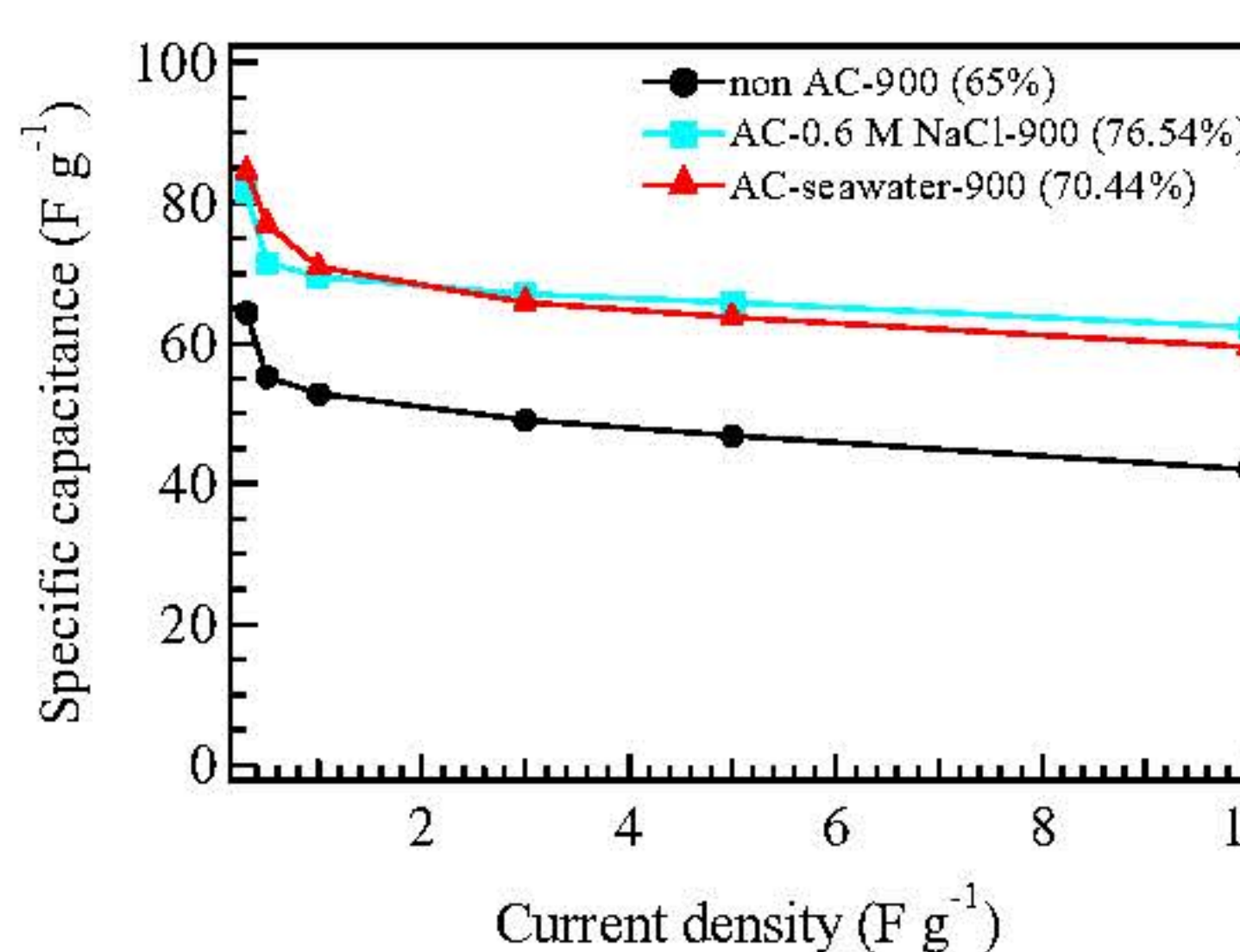
All AC electrodes exhibit rectangular curves, indicating a nearly ideal behavior characteristic of EDLC, as seen in Fig. 3a.

At low scan rates (Fig. 3b)

AC-seawater-900 electrode gives the highest specific capacitance due to its largest specific surface area.

At high scan rates (Fig. 3b)

AC-0.6 M NaCl-900 electrode shows the highest specific capacitance which might be due to its highest electrical conductivity.



GCD

AC-seawater-900 electrode achieves the highest specific capacitance at low current densities because of its largest specific surface area.

AC-0.6 M NaCl-900 electrode possesses the highest rate capability, which is likely attributed to its highest electrical conductivity.

Fig. 4 Specific capacitance of all AC electrodes calculated from GCD curves.

Conclusion

- Activated carbon (AC) derived from sawdust was successfully prepared using either a NaCl or seawater activator.
- At different temperatures, AC-0.6 M NaCl-900 powder provides the largest specific surface area.
- At various activators, AC-seawater-900, and AC-0.6 M NaCl-900 powders present higher specific surface area than non-AC-900 powder.
- Specific capacitance of AC-seawater-900 and AC-0.6 M NaCl-900 electrodes is higher than that of non-AC-900 electrode.
- AC-seawater-900 electrode exhibits the highest specific capacitance at low scan rates and current densities, while AC-0.6 M NaCl-900 electrode demonstrates the highest specific capacitance at high scan rates and current densities.

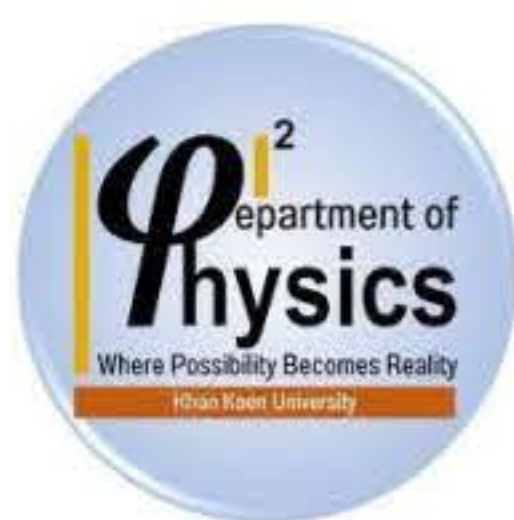
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Synthesizing Calcium Carbonate (CaCO_3) Material from Natural Waste Materials Using Carbon Dioxide Adsorption for Applications in Capacitors and Humidity-Sensing Devices.

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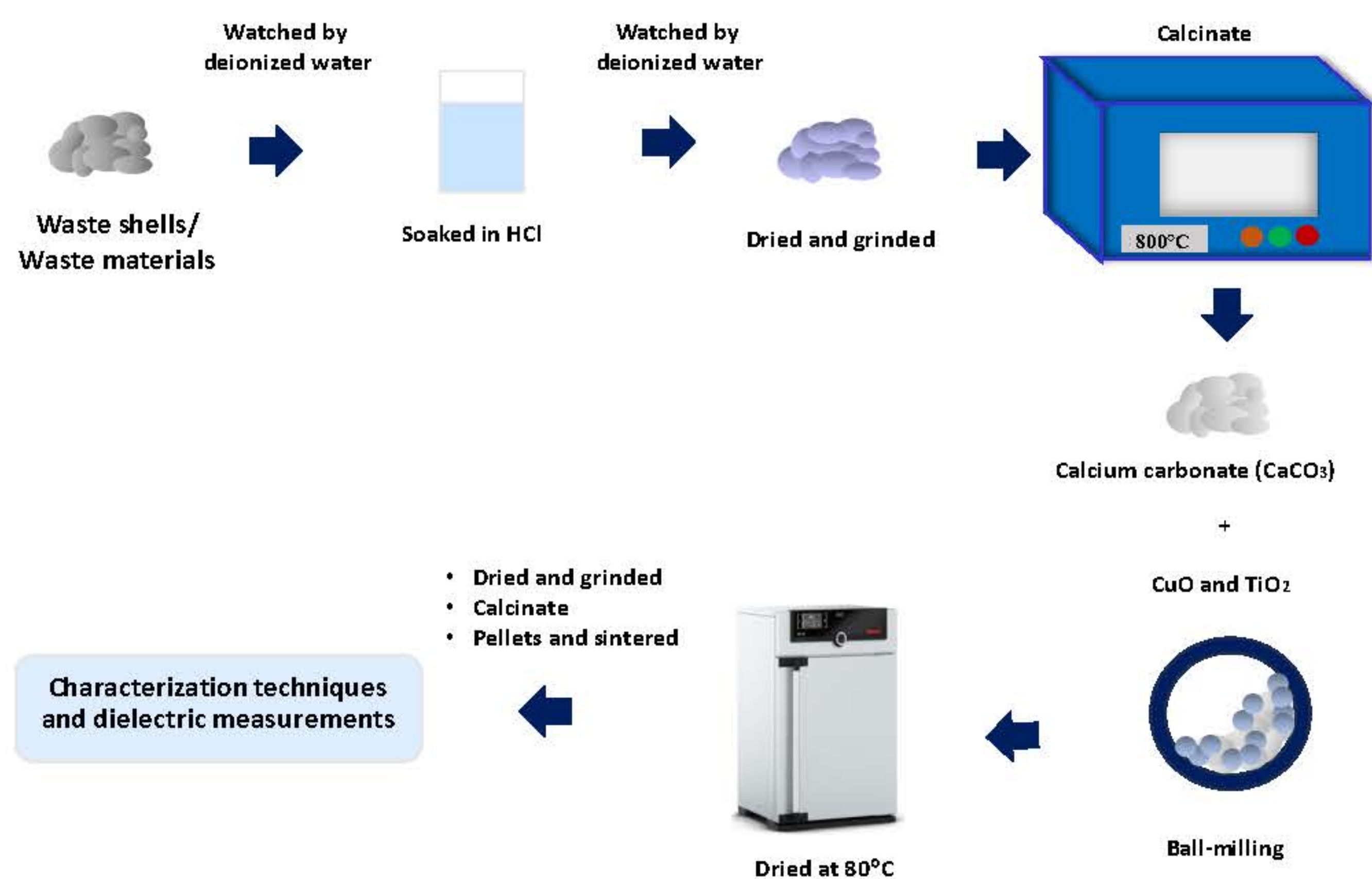
Introduction

Colossal dielectric permittivity materials have been extensively researched over the years due to their increasing demand in markets and applications in microelectronics [1]. Most of the examined materials show a large dielectric permittivity (ϵ'). However, the enhanced dielectric response is often accompanied by an increased loss tangent ($\tan \delta$) with poor temperature stability in certain properties of dielectric materials [2]. Hence, achieving equilibrium between ϵ' and $\tan \delta$ is a primary focus of scientific research and practical applications. Materials that exhibit colossal dielectric constants without the use of lead, and their thermal stability, are attractive for applications in the microelectronics industry, such as memory devices and capacitors. Barium titanate (BaTiO_3) [3], lithium-titanium-nickel oxide ($\text{Li}_x\text{Ti}_y\text{Ni}_{1-x-y}\text{O}$ or LTNO) [4], and ceramics are several groups known as giant or colossal dielectric permittivity materials. These materials can be created using an internal barrier layer capacitance (IBLC) structure [5] in a one-step fabrication process. The interesting material is $\text{CaCu}_3\text{Ti}_4\text{O}_{12}$ (CCTO), derived from waste shells, offering the additional advantage of repurposing waste into capacitors. This study focuses on synthesizing calcium carbonate (CaCO_3) from waste shells through carbon dioxide adsorption. The obtained material is then employed in the preparation of CCTO, which can exhibit high dielectric values while maintaining low dielectric loss.

This study to synthesize calcium carbonate from waste shells, subsequently utilizing it in the preparation of CCTO through a solid-state reaction. The X-ray diffraction (XRD) technique is employed to investigate the phase structures of CaCO_3 , with a focus on optimizing the dielectric properties of CCTO for applications in capacitors and humidity-sensing devices. The study reveals that sintering CCTO at 1060°C results in an optimal dielectric constant (ϵ') of approximately 114,550 and a loss tangent ($\tan \delta$) of about 0.096 at 1 kHz. However, the $\tan \delta$ of dielectric materials needs improvement for practical applications to enhance the dielectric response. The mechanisms for enhancing the dielectric performance of CCTO are discussed in detail.

Methods

Scheme 1 shows the preparation of CCTO through a solid-state reaction involves the following steps. Initially, powders of calcium carbonate (CaCO_3) derived from waste shells, copper oxide (CuO), and titanium dioxide (TiO_2) are weighed in appropriate stoichiometric ratios. These powders are then thoroughly mixed to achieve a homogeneous blend via a solid-state reaction. The mixture is subsequently subjected to high-temperature sintering using a furnace. During this process, the powders undergo a series of chemical transformations, resulting in the formation of the desired compound, CCTO. The reaction parameters, such as temperature and duration, are critical in determining the phase purity and crystalline structure of the final product. Following the reaction, the obtained CCTO is cooled, ground into a fine powder, and may undergo additional processing steps to enhance its properties.



Scheme 1. The synthesis process of CCTO from waste materials.

Result and Discussion

The prepared CaCO_3 can then be characterized using X-ray diffraction (XRD), as shown in Figure 1. As observed, there is a difference between natural waste shells and those calcined at 800°C for 3 hours. XRD results revealed the presence of CaCO_3 Aragonite (JCPDS no. 01-076-0606), CaCO_3 Calcium Carbonate (JCPDS no.01-085-1108), and Ca(OH)_2 Calcium Hydroxide (JCPDS no. 01-076-0570).

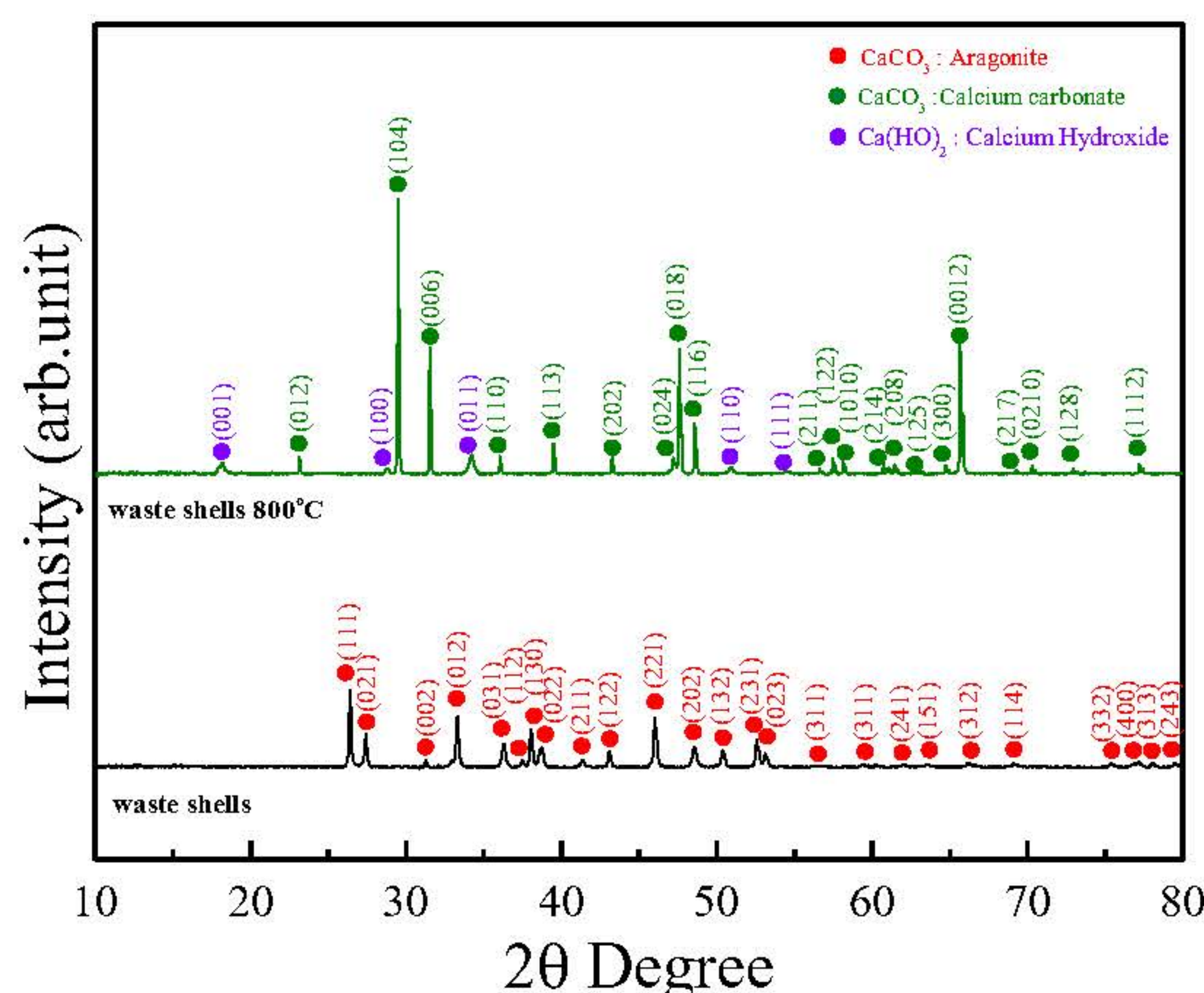


Figure 1. The XRD patterns of waste shells, highlighting the distinctions between natural waste shells and those calcined at 800°C for 3 h.

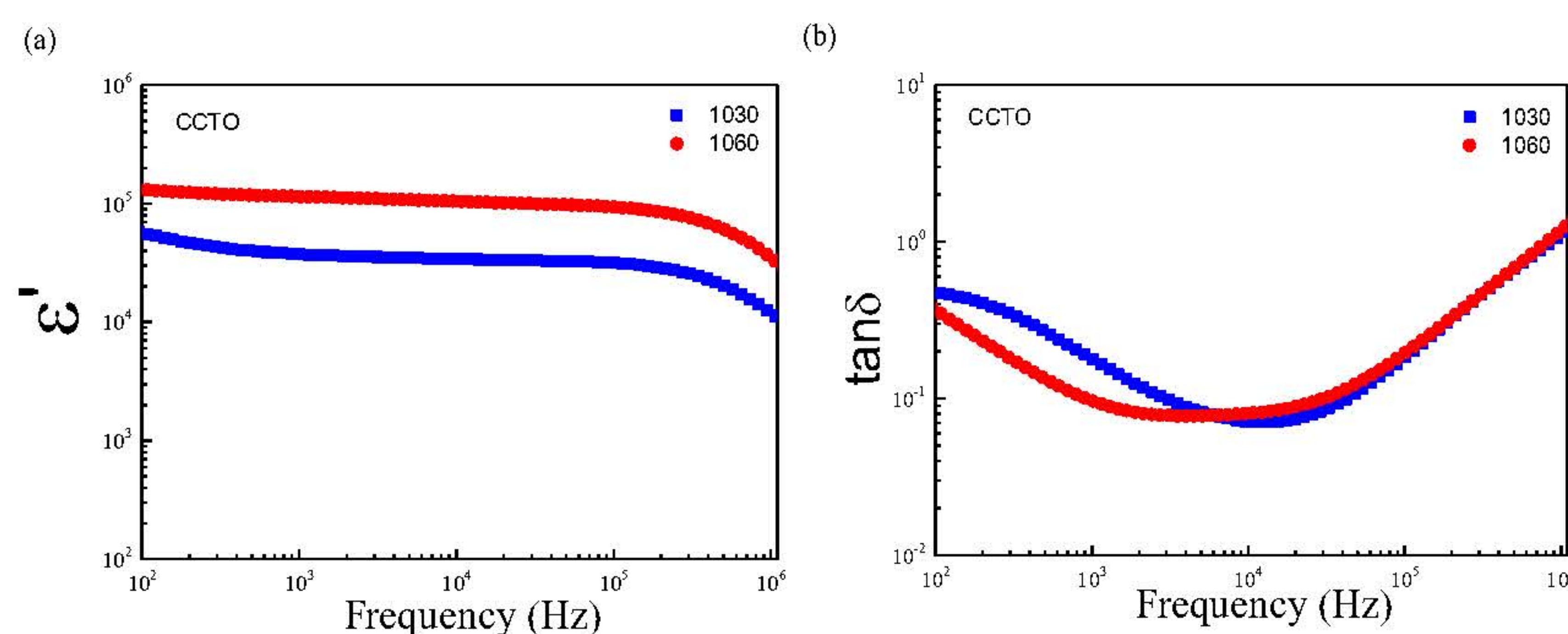


Figure 2. The frequency dependence of (a) ϵ' and (b) $\tan \delta$ at room temperature for CCTO ceramics sintered at different temperatures is investigated.

The frequency dependence at room temperature of ϵ' and $\tan \delta$ for CCTO with various temperature sintered is illustrated in Figure 2. In the present study, a distinct frequency dependence is observed for ϵ' and $\tan \delta$ in CCTO ceramics sintered at different temperatures. Notably, the ϵ' values at 1 kHz for ceramics sintered at 1060°C are significantly higher (114,550) than those sintered at 1030°C (37,350). This enhancement is attributed to the denser microstructure of the CCTO sintered at 1060°C , corresponding to the relative density of each ceramic sample. Furthermore, the observed lower $\tan \delta$ value for the CCTO sample sintered at 1060°C (0.096), in comparison to that sintered at 1030°C (0.178), aligns with the higher grain boundary resistance (R_{gb}) of the 1060°C sintered CCTO. This outcome suggests that the microstructure of the 1060°C sintered sample contributes to reduced energy dissipation, resulting in a lower loss tangent. It's noteworthy that the dielectric constant could be further enhanced by strategically adjusting preparation parameters. Parameters such as sintering temperature, sintering time, and doping offer avenues for optimization. The fine-tuning of these factors in the fabrication process has the potential to positively impact the dielectric constant, providing opportunities for tailoring the material properties to meet specific application requirements.

Conclusion

To synthesize calcium carbonate (CaCO_3) from waste shells and subsequently utilize it in the preparation of $\text{CaCu}_3\text{Ti}_4\text{O}_{12}$ (CCTO) through a solid-state reaction, the X-ray diffraction (XRD) technique is employed to investigate the phase structures of CaCO_3 . The focus is on optimizing the dielectric properties of CCTO for applications in high-energy storage capacitors and humidity change sensing devices. The study reveals that sintering CCTO at 1060°C results in an optimal dielectric constant (ϵ') of approximately 114,550 and a loss tangent ($\tan \delta$) of about 0.096 at 1 kHz.

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Biomass derived laser-induced graphene for capsaicin detection in chili pepper samples

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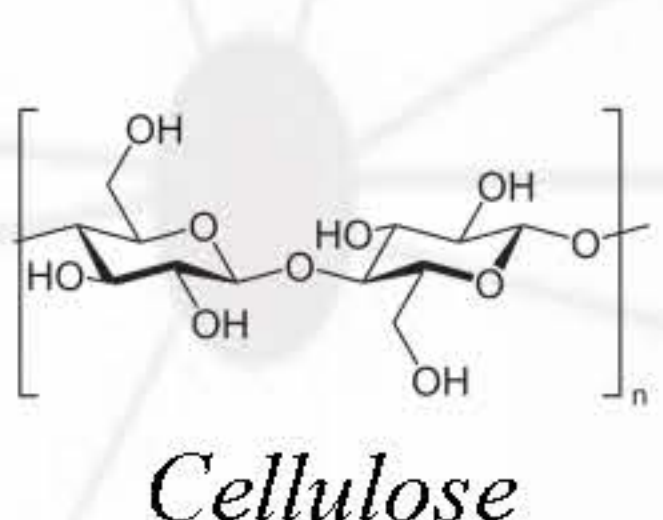
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Background and Rational



Oil palm biomass



Hemicellulose



Estimate the pungent level of raw chili



Control the pungent level during the production process



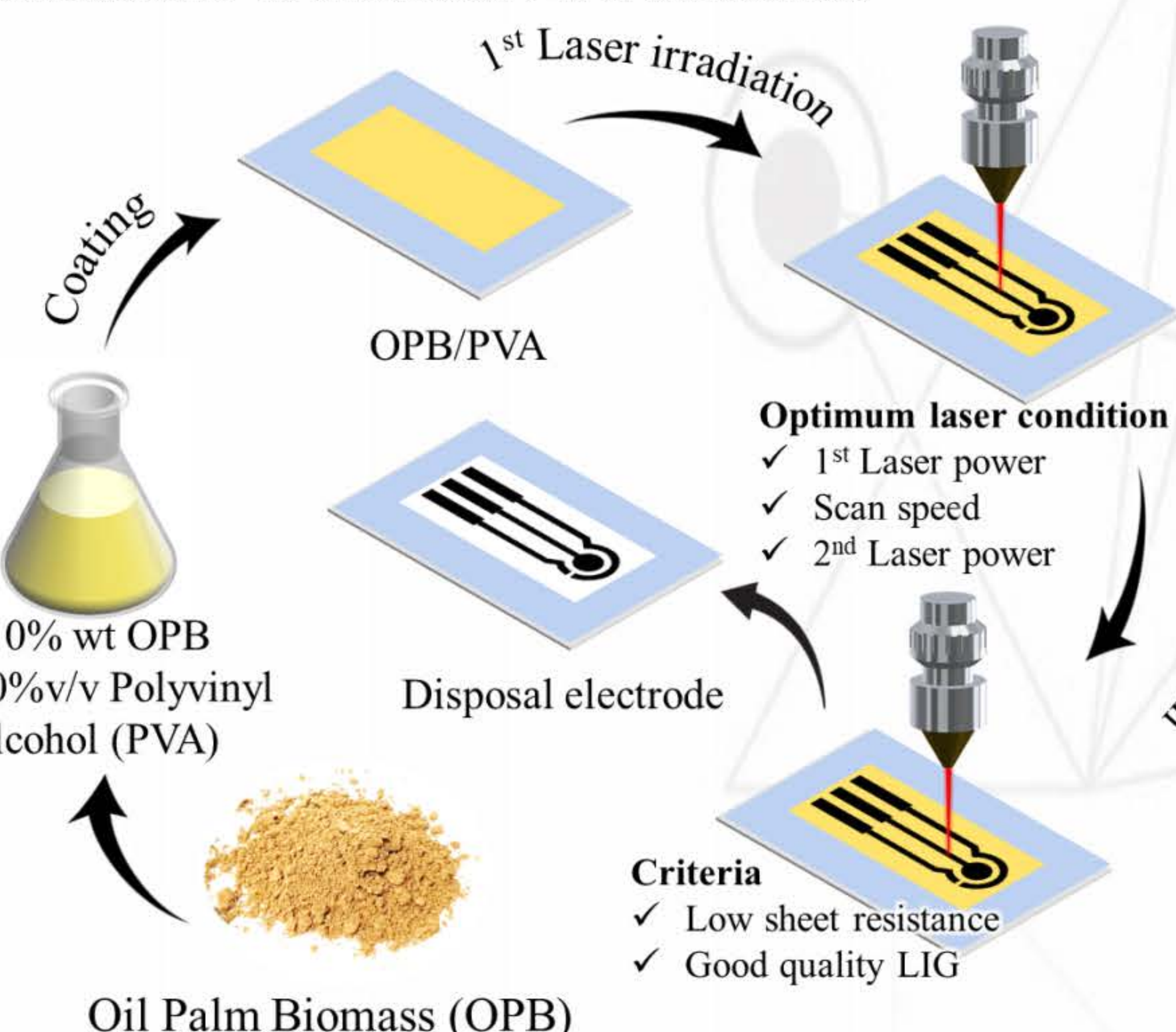
Quality control of finished products

Objective

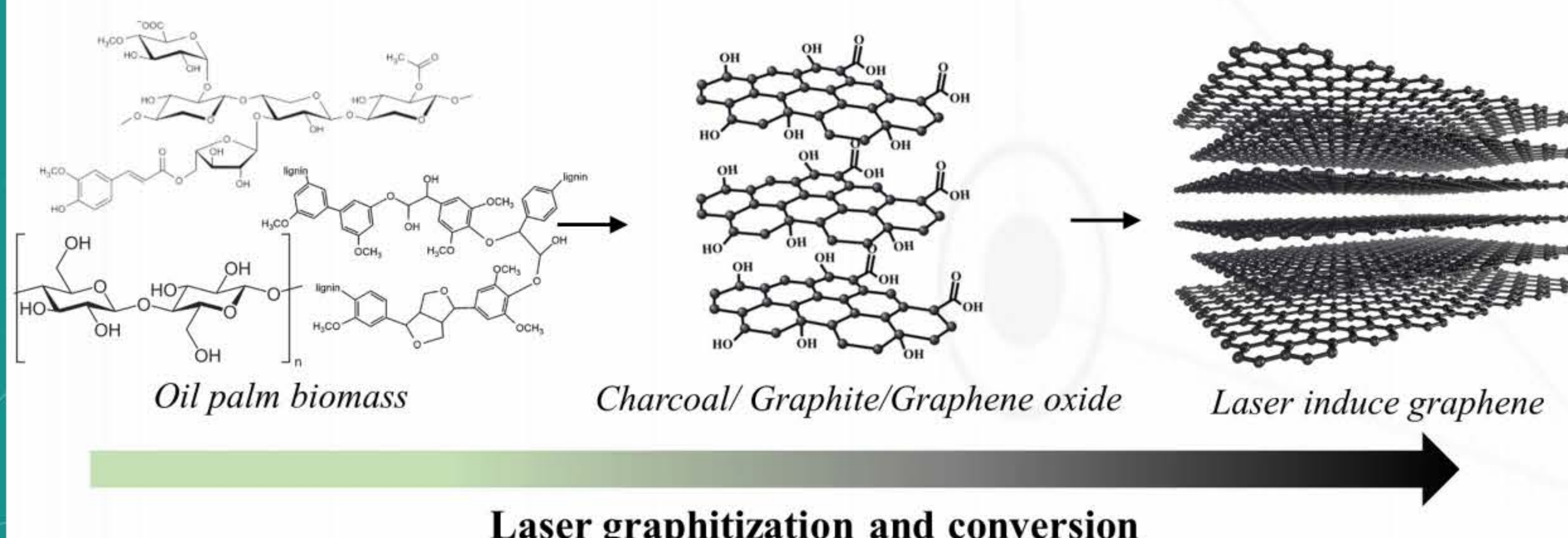
We aim to develop a sustainable electrochemical sensor for the detection of the pungency of chili peppers. This sensor will be based on a laser-induced graphene electrode derived from palm oil biomass.

Methods

Fabrication of biomass-LIG electrode



Oil Palm Biomass (OPB)



Conclusions

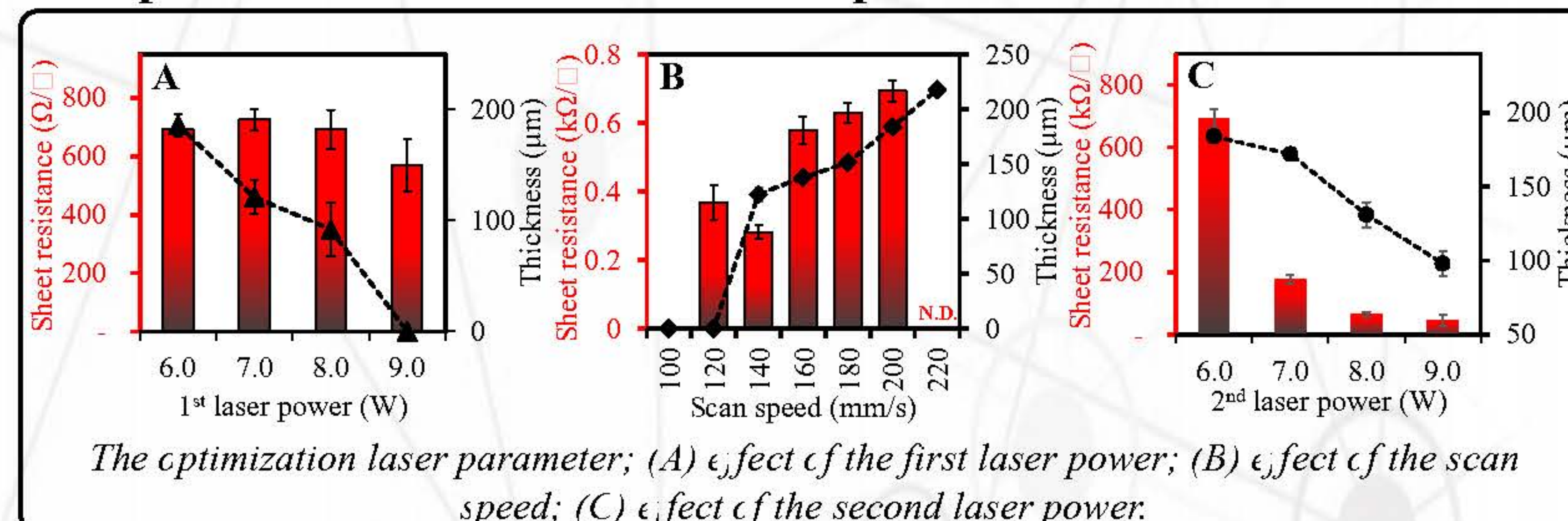
A laser-induced graphene disposable electrode made from biomass was successfully developed using a simple and facile fabrication method involving laser irradiation. This electrode exhibits good electrochemical properties and has been successfully applied to the determination of capsaicin.

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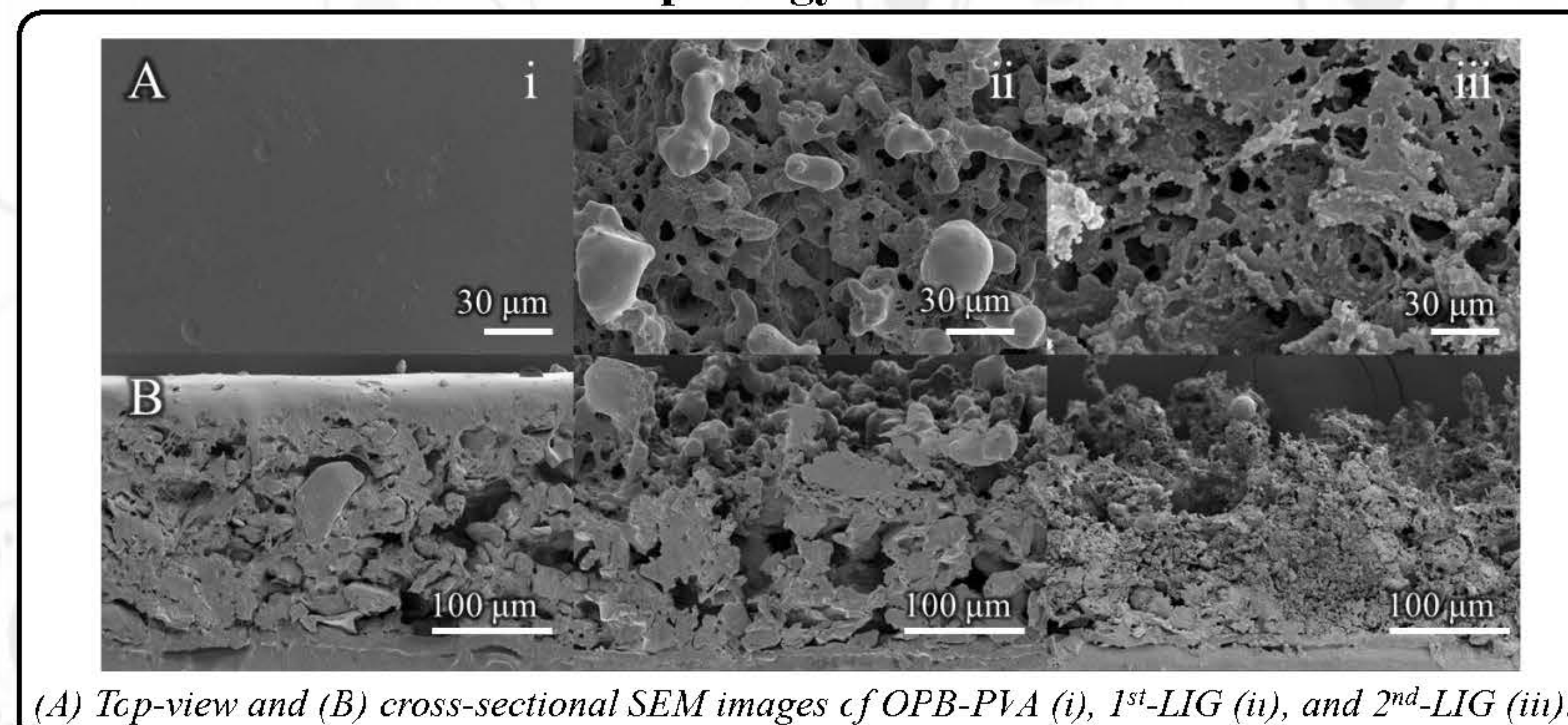
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Results

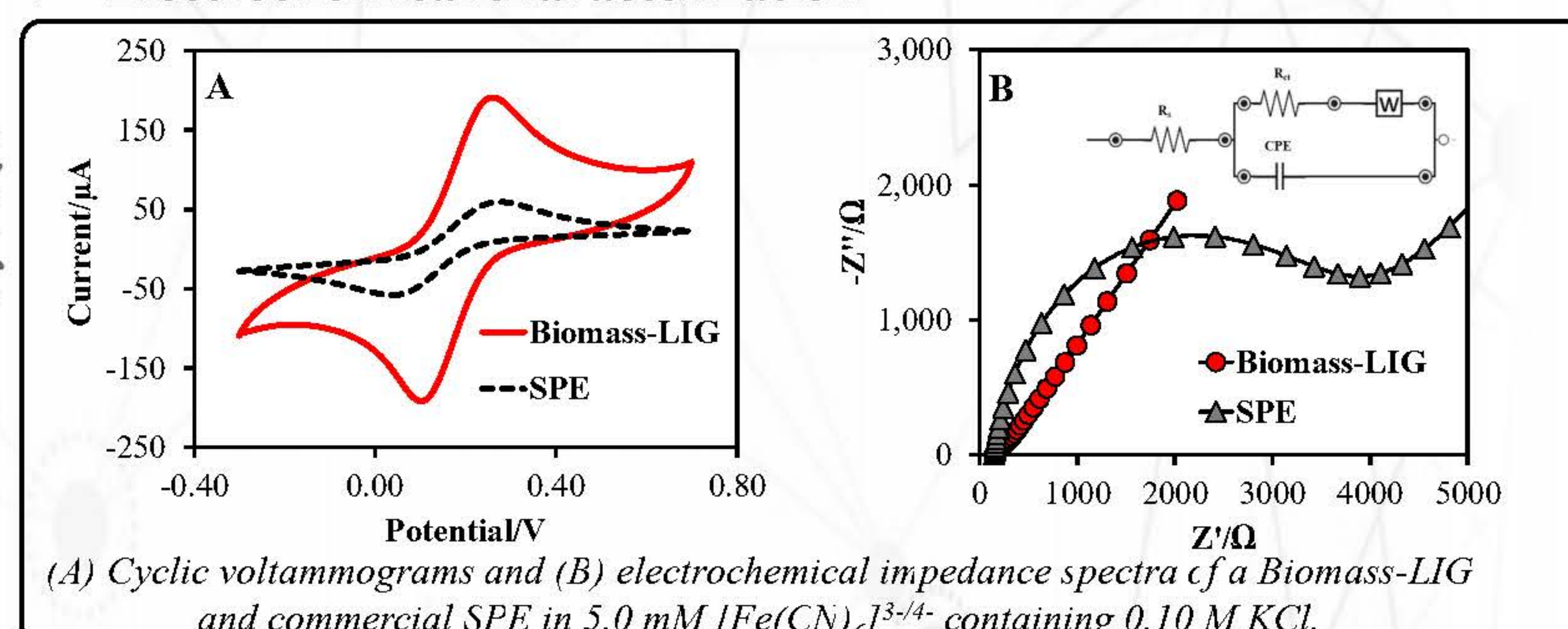
Optimization of laser irradiation process



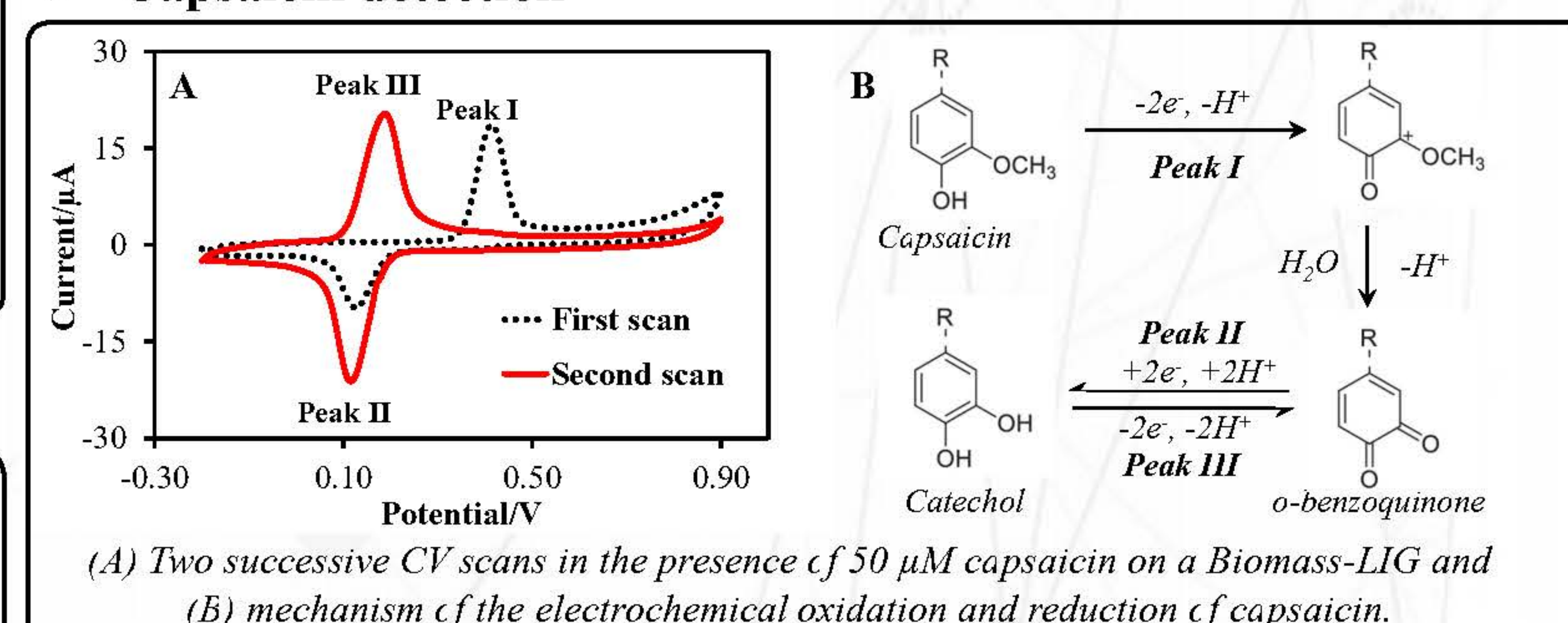
Characterizations of morphology



Electrochemical characterization



Capsaicin detection





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The development of an electrochemical sensor for the detection of creatinine and albumin in human fluids

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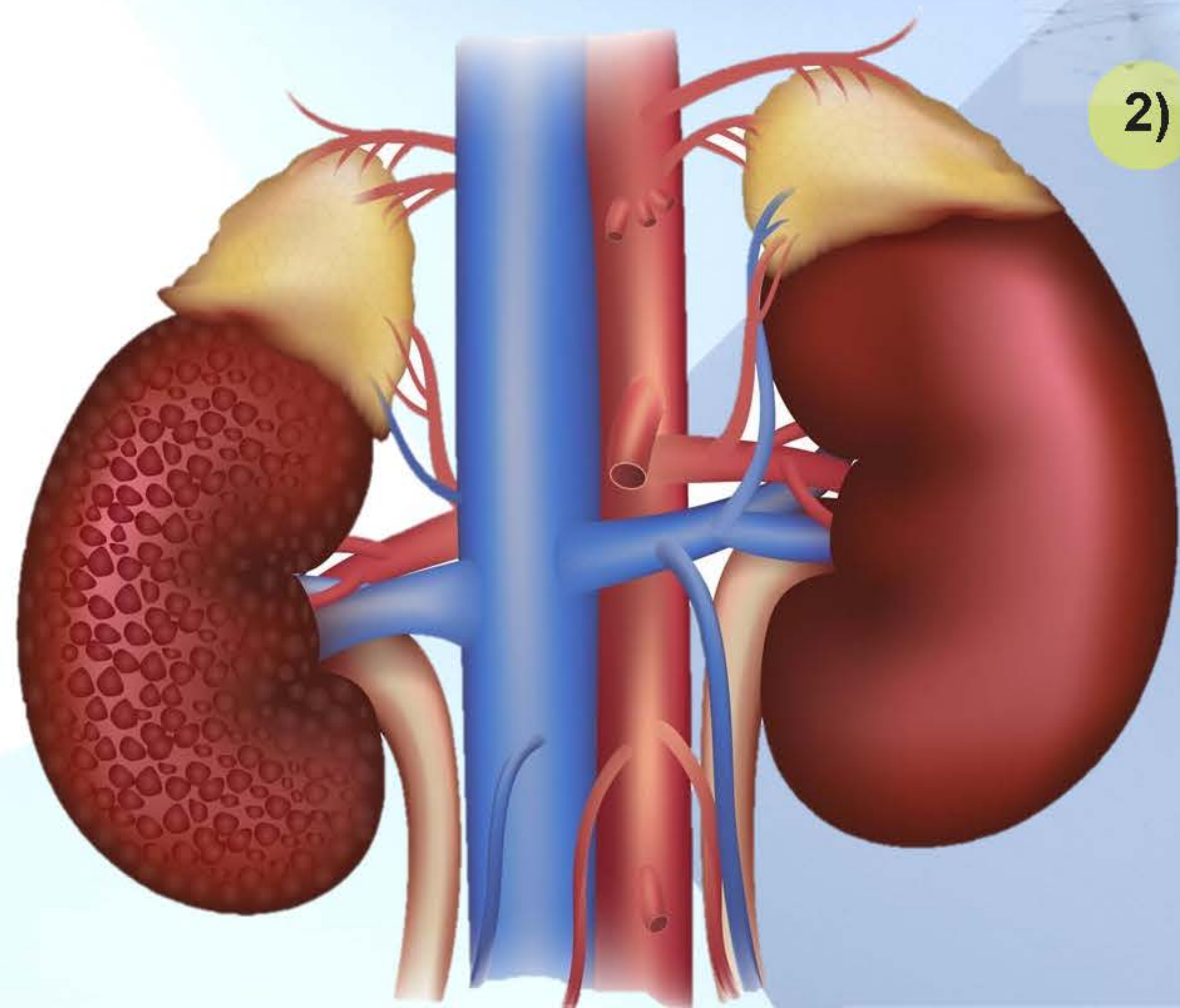
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Introduction

Diabetic kidney disease (CKD)

or

Diabetic nephropathy (DN)

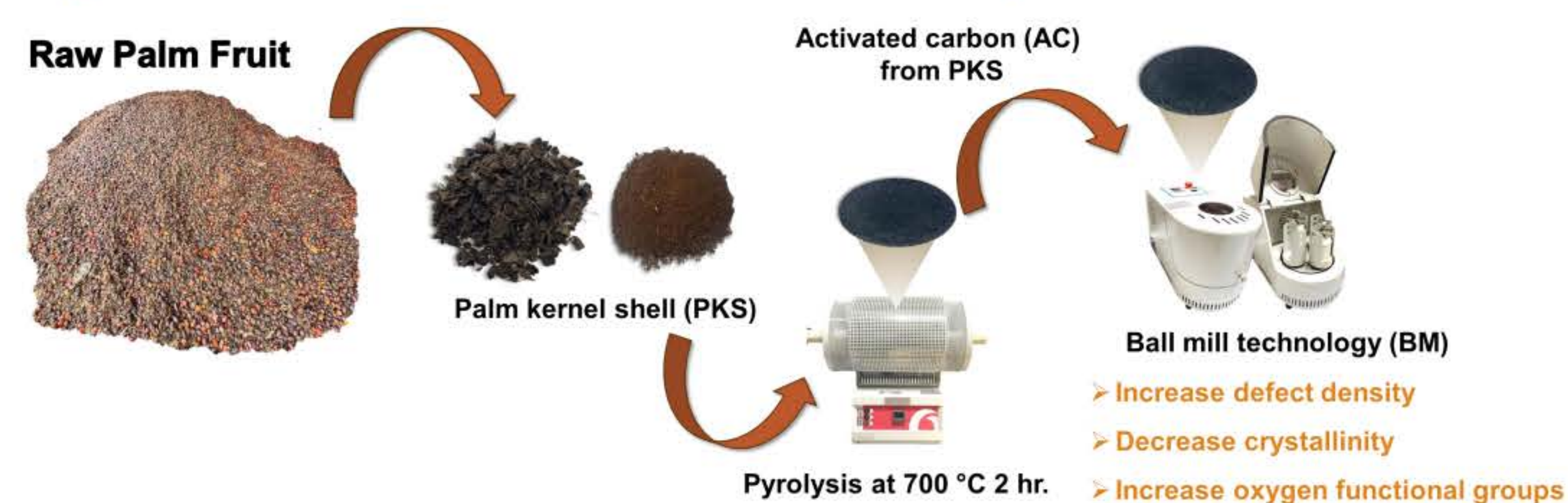


Diabetic nephropathy

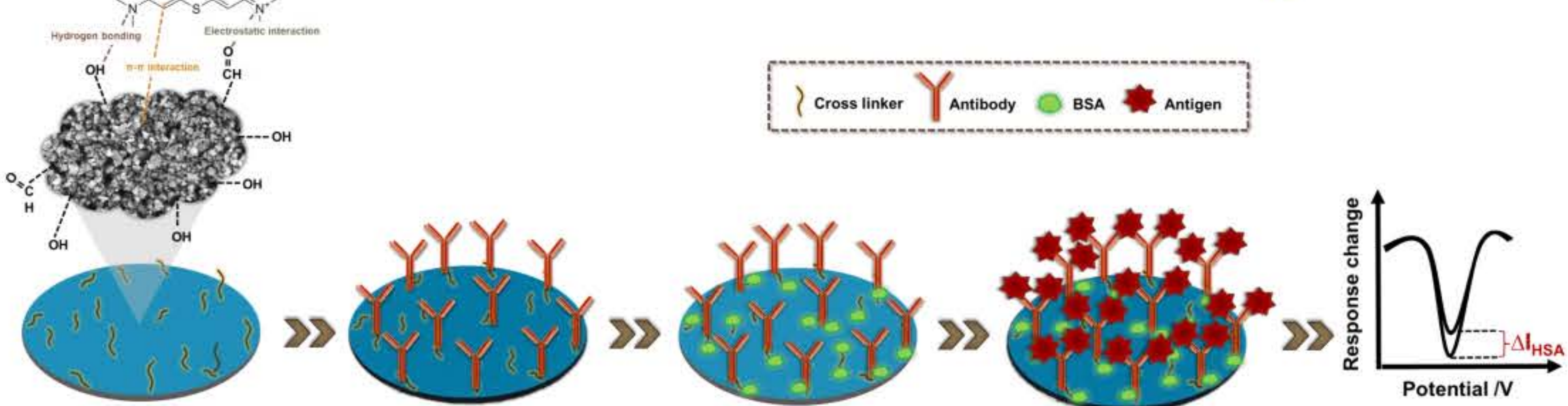
Normal kidney

Methods

Synthesis of AC-PKS from palm kernel



Label-free immobilization process



Conclusion

Activated carbon was successfully synthesized from palm kernel shell using the pyrolysis method. The use of ball mill technology results in a reduction in the grain size of AC-PKS material to nanoscale, as well as an increase in oxygen functional groups on the surface of AC-PKS. During the BM process, the dispersion in organic solvent went through an increase. The presence of oxygen functional groups on the PKS surface facilitates the absorption of methylene blue, which can act as a redox probe for further label-free albumin biosensor.

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Approximately **20** to **40%** of diabetic patients develop **CKD**.

CKD is the most common cause of **End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD)** worldwide.

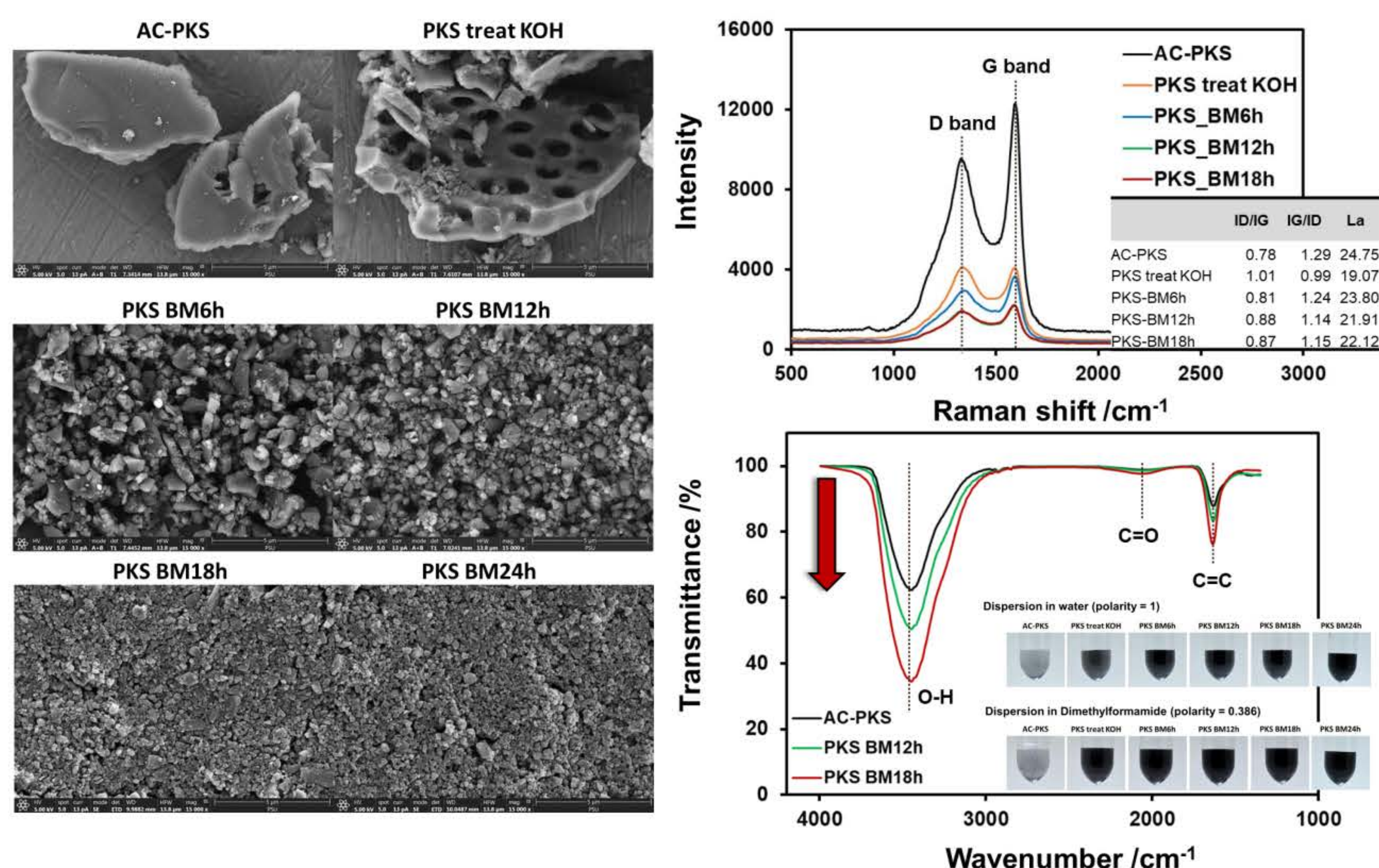
Indicators

- 1) Albuminuria: >300 milligrams/ 24 hours or 200 micrograms /minutes
- 2) Albumin-to-creatinine ratio (ACR): > 300 milligrams albumin /grams creatinine

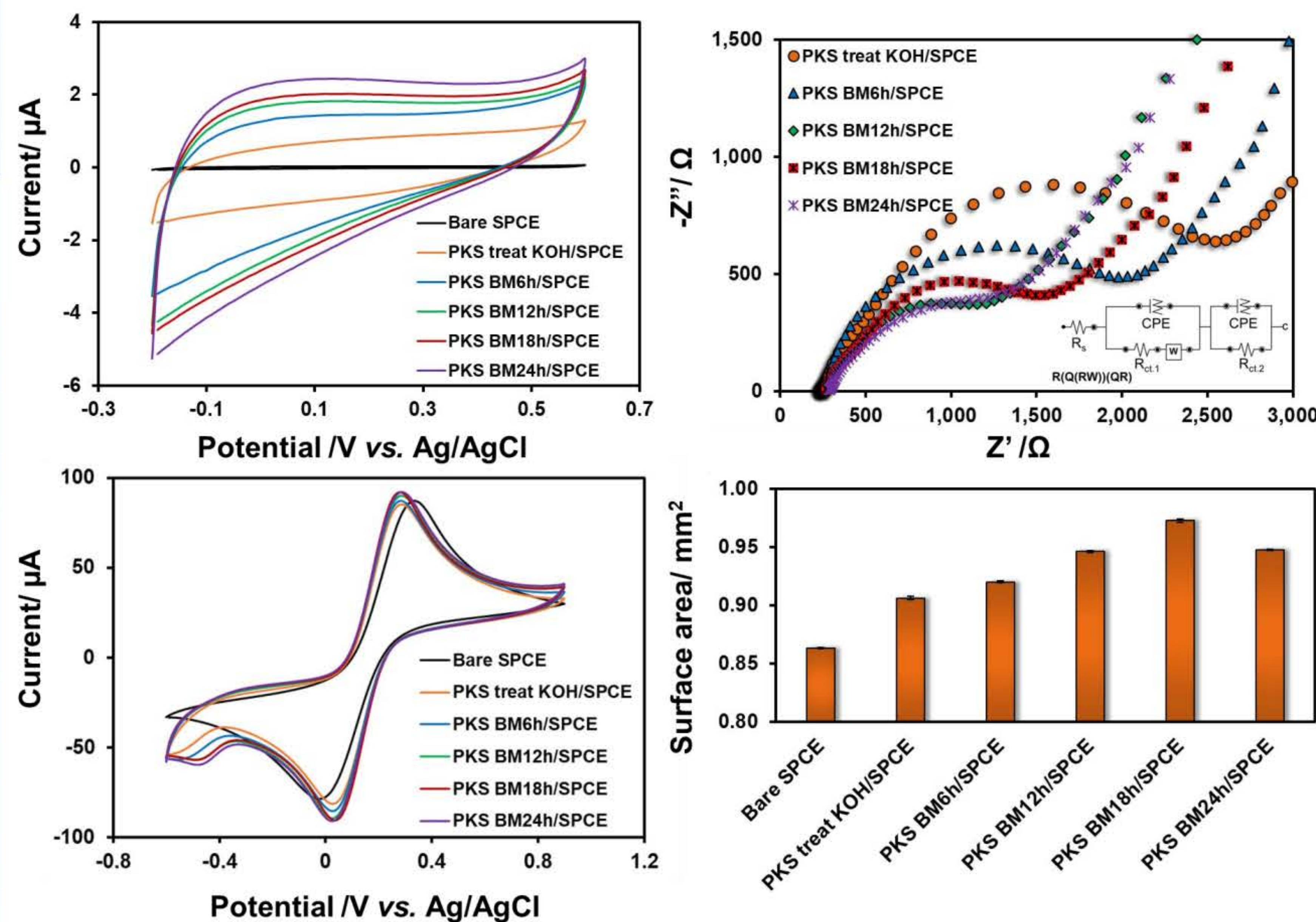
A device for screening and diagnosing CKD is required urgently.

Results and discussion

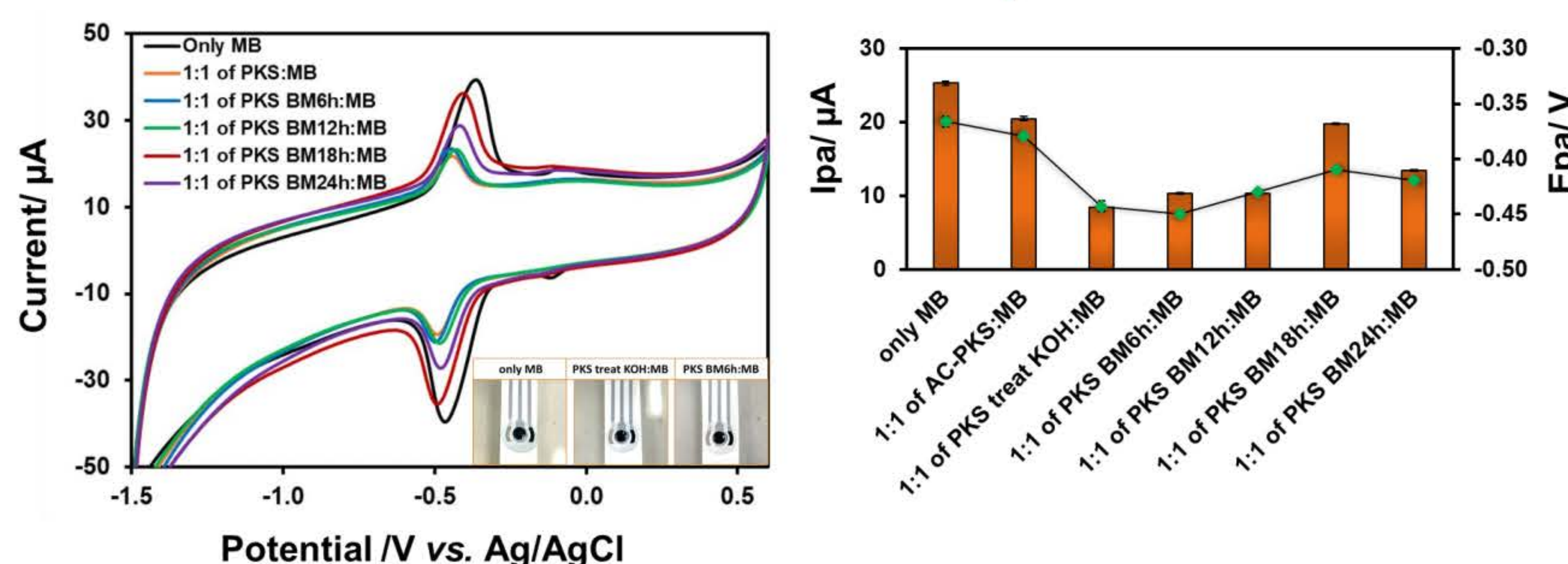
AC-PKS morphology characterization



AC-PKS electrochemical characterization



AC-PKS absorbed Methylene blue



Portable electrochemical sensor for the detection of curcumin in turmeric samples

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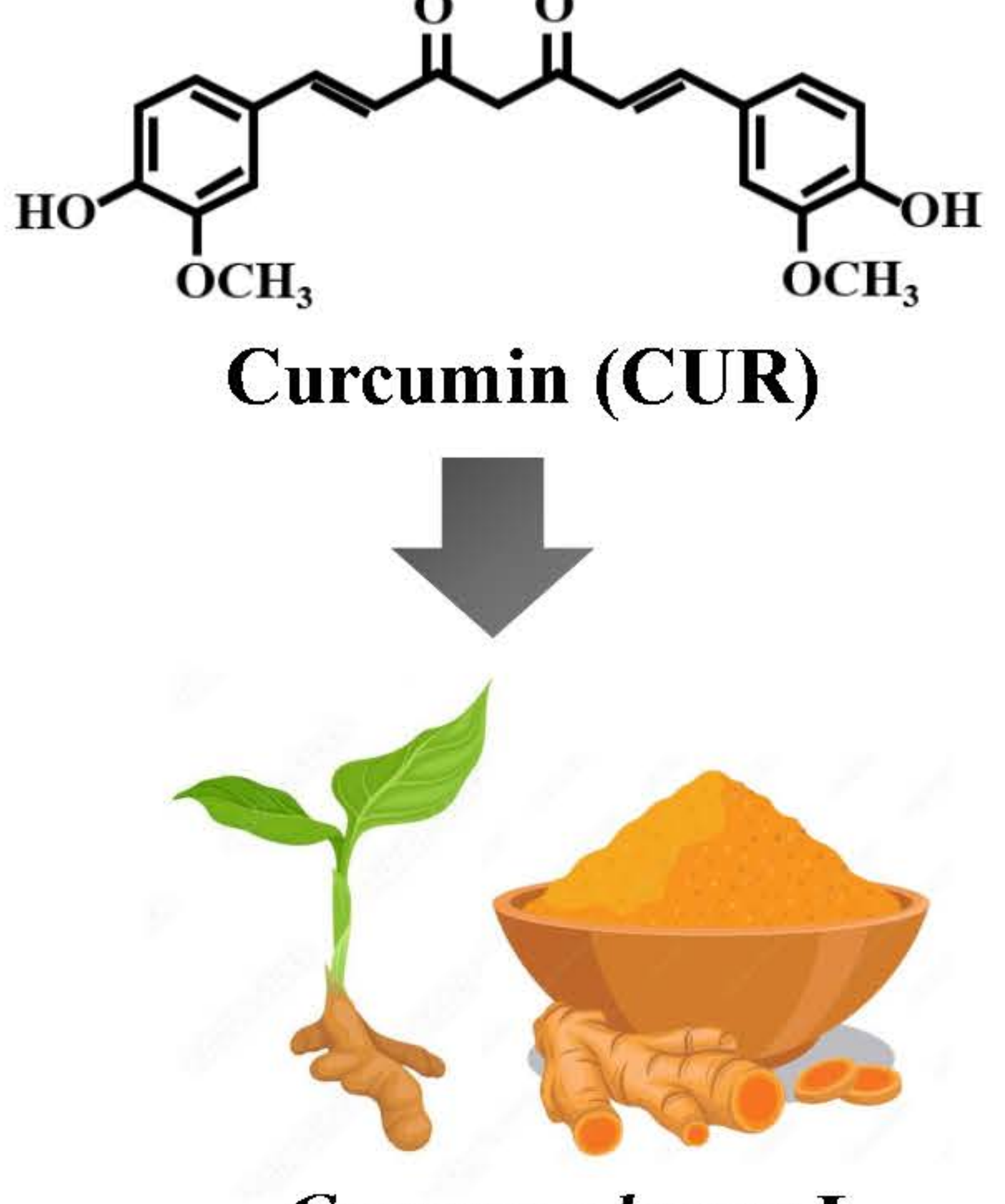
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Background and Rational



Curcumin (CUR)

Curcuma longa L.

Therapeutic benefits

- Cardiovascular diseases
- Depression
- Allergies
- Colitis
- Psoriasis
- Cancers

Conventional methods

Gas Chromatography

Spectrophotometer

High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC)

Limitations

- Large equipment
- High operating costs
- Complicated procedure
- Long analysis time
- Unsuitable for on-site detection

Electrochemical method

Portable CUR sensor

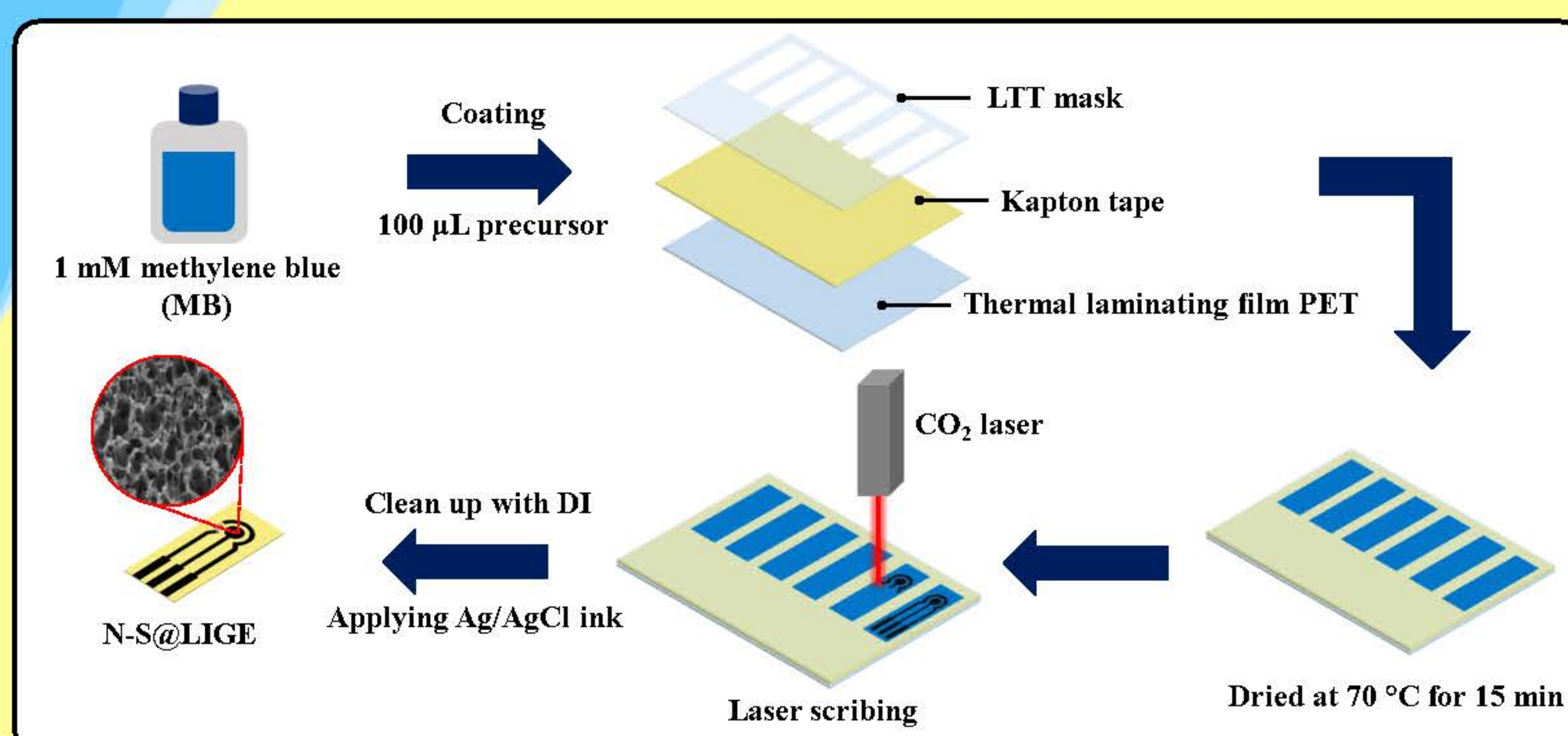
- Portability
- Simplicity
- Fast response
- High sensitivity
- Suitable for on-field analysis

Objective

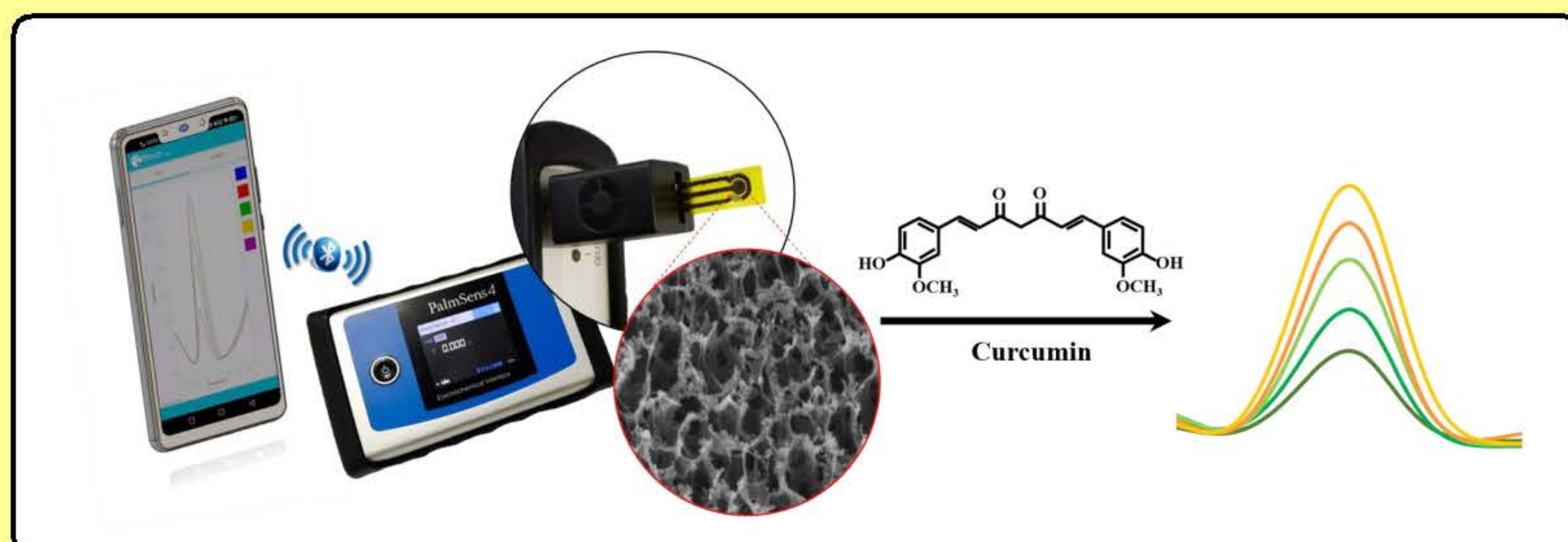
To develop a new portable electrochemical sensor for the detection of curcumin (CUR) based on a nitrogen and sulfur-doped laser-induced graphene electrode (N-S@LIG)

Methods

Fabrication of N-S@LIGE electrode



Electrochemical measurement



Conclusions

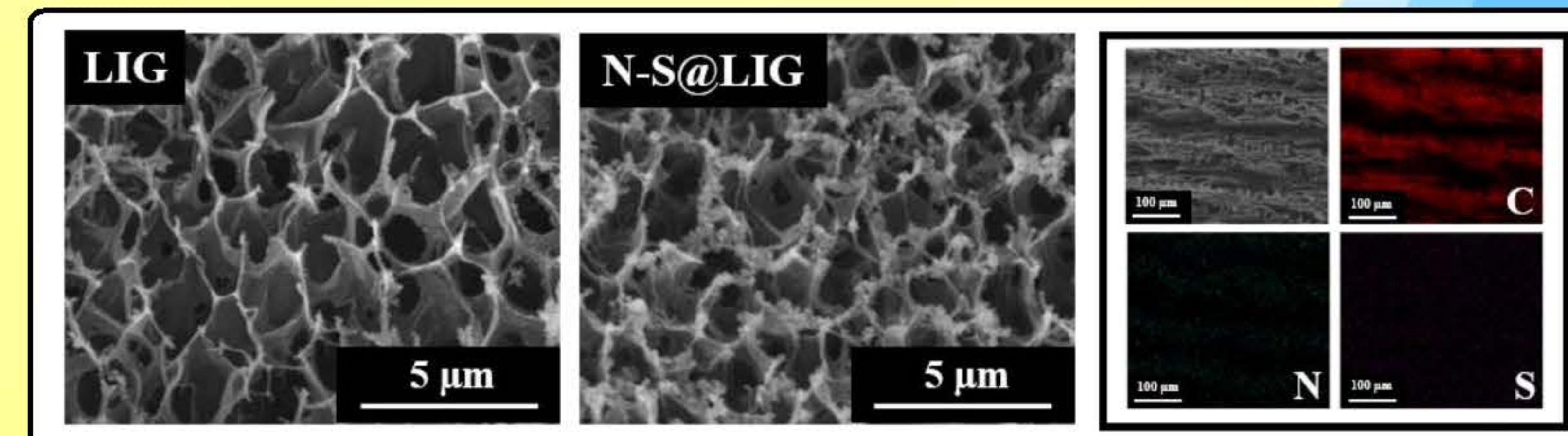
A portable CUR sensor was successfully developed based on N-S@LIGE. The proposed method provided a wide linear range, low detection limit, excellent reproducibility and good repeatability. Moreover, this sensor could possibly be applied for the determination of CUR in cultivated rhizomes and commercial turmeric products.

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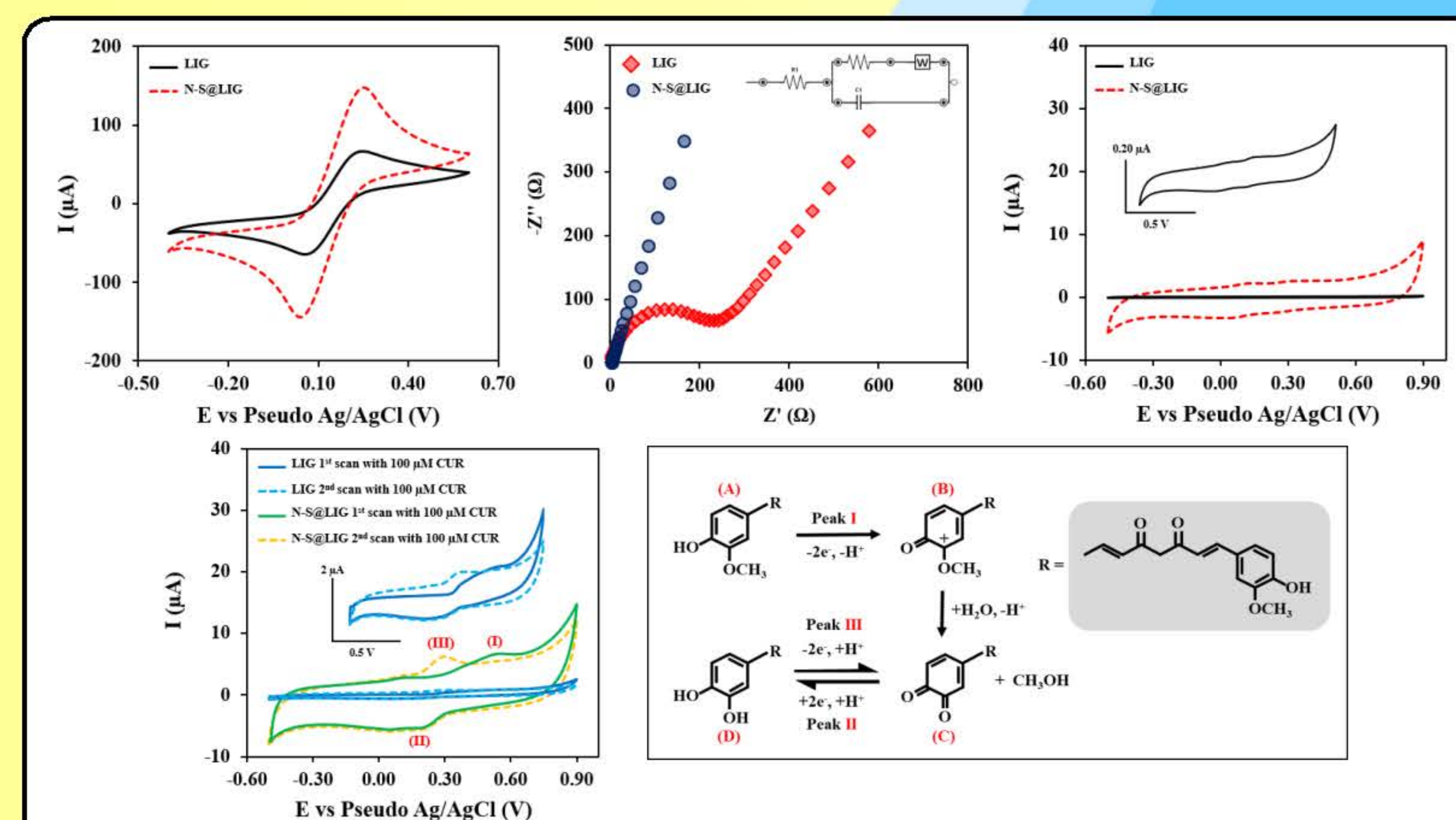
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Results

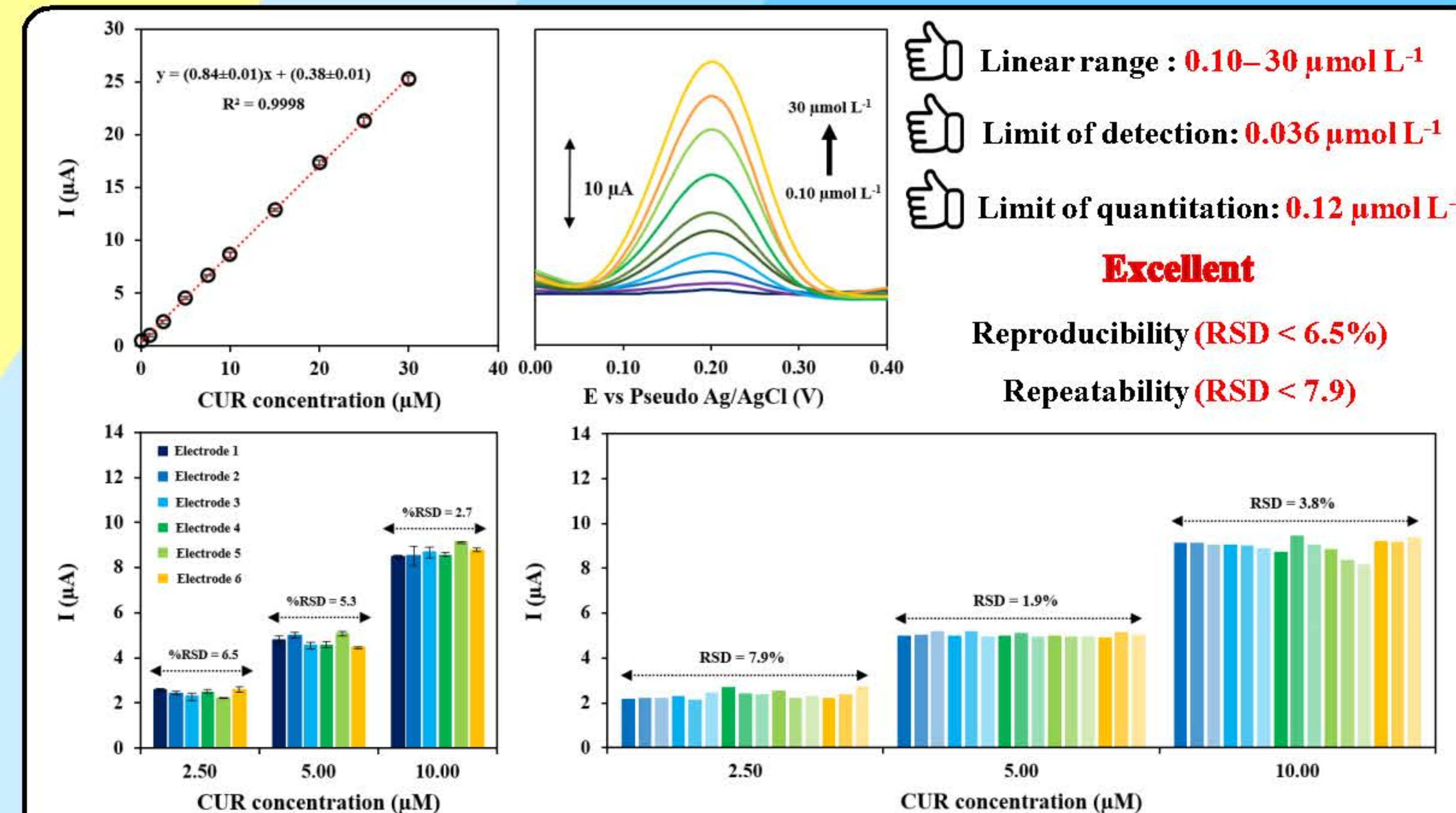
Characterizations of morphology



Electrochemical characterization



Analytical performances



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Electrochemical sensors for detection of mercury in cosmetics

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Introduction



MERCURY
IN SKIN LIGHTENING PRODUCTS

INORGANIC MERCURY IS USED IN SKIN LIGHTENING SOAPS AND CREAMS

ORGANIC MERCURY IS USED AS COSMETIC PRESERVATIVE IN EYE MAKEUP, CLEANSING PRODUCTS & MASCARA

SIDE EFFECTS

Skin rashes, skin discoloration and scarring

Anxiety, depression, psychosis and peripheral neuropathy

Kidney damage



CONVENTIONAL METHODS

Spectrophotometer

High Performance Liquid Chromatography

Gas Chromatography

Limitations


- ✓ Expensive
- ✓ Time consuming
- ✓ Large instrument
- ✓ Need skill operation
- ✓ Complicated procedure

ELECTROCHEMICAL METHOD

Portable sensor

- Fast analysis
- High sensitivity
- Simple operation
- On-field analysis
- Portable

Methods



Synthesis of $\text{Bi}(\text{NO}_3)_3/\text{MoS}_2$

Preparation of the $\text{Bi}(\text{NO}_3)_3/\text{MoS}_2$ Nanocomposite

$\text{Bi}(\text{NO}_3)_3/\text{MoS}_2$ powder + 1 mL DMF → $\text{Bi}(\text{NO}_3)_3/\text{MoS}_2$ suspension (2 mg mL^{-1})

sonicated for 30 min.

Electrode Fabrication

$\text{Bi}(\text{NO}_3)_3/\text{MoS}_2$ suspension (2 mg mL^{-1})


drop casting

electrode ready for measurement

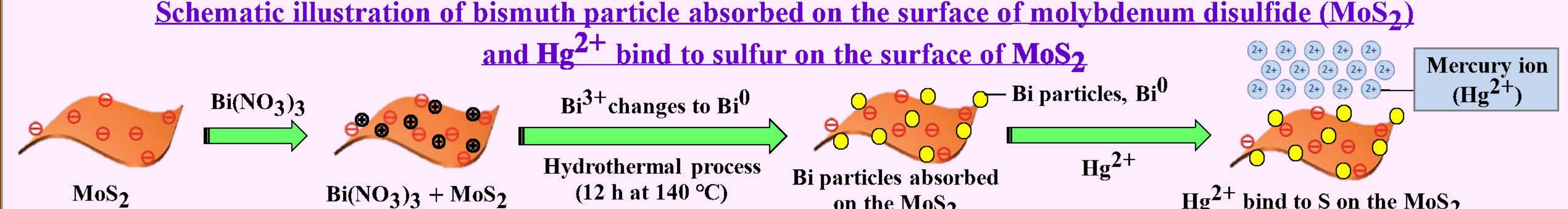
dry overnight at 70°C for 5 min.

Electrochemical measurement

Portable sensor



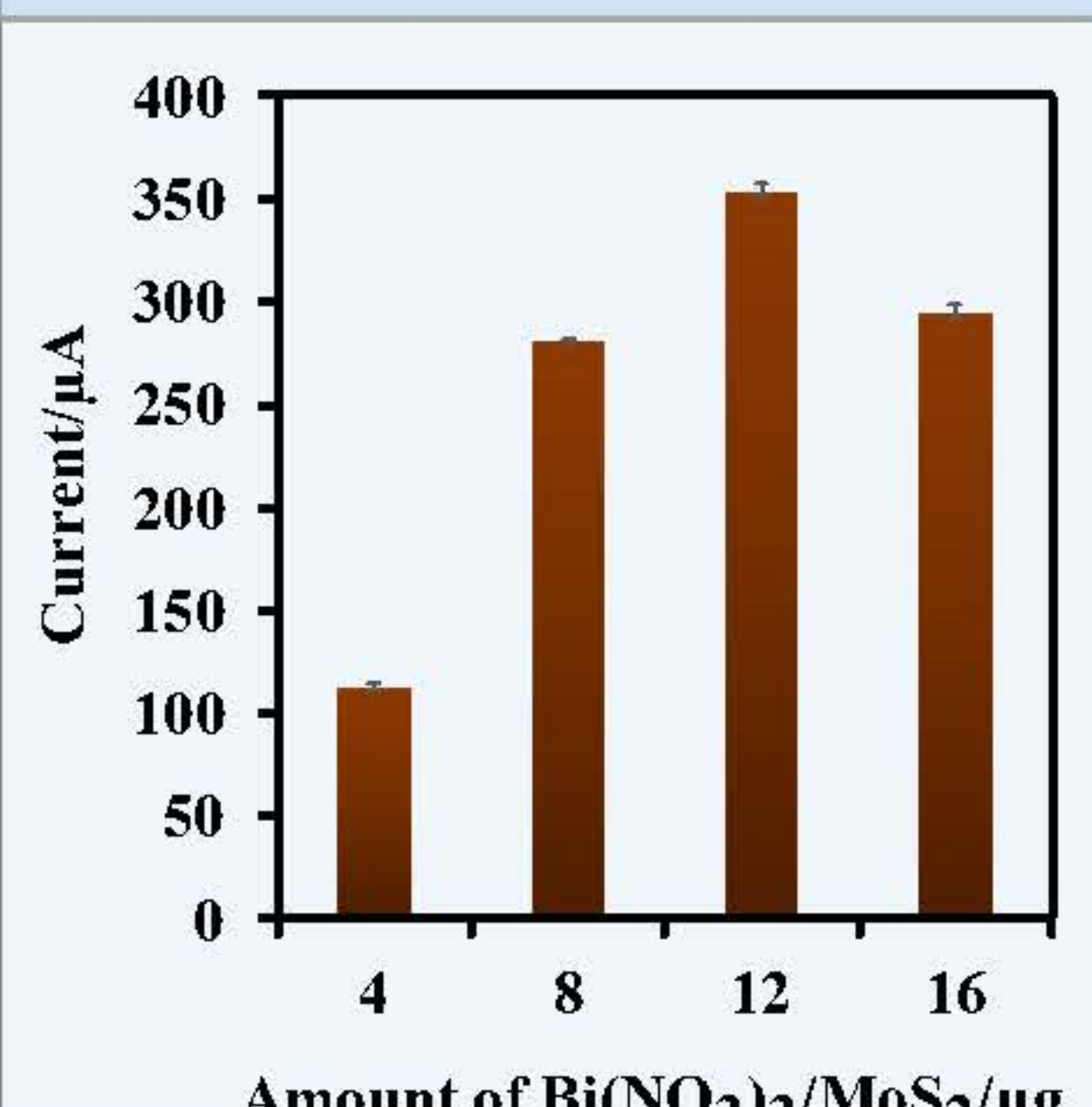
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Results

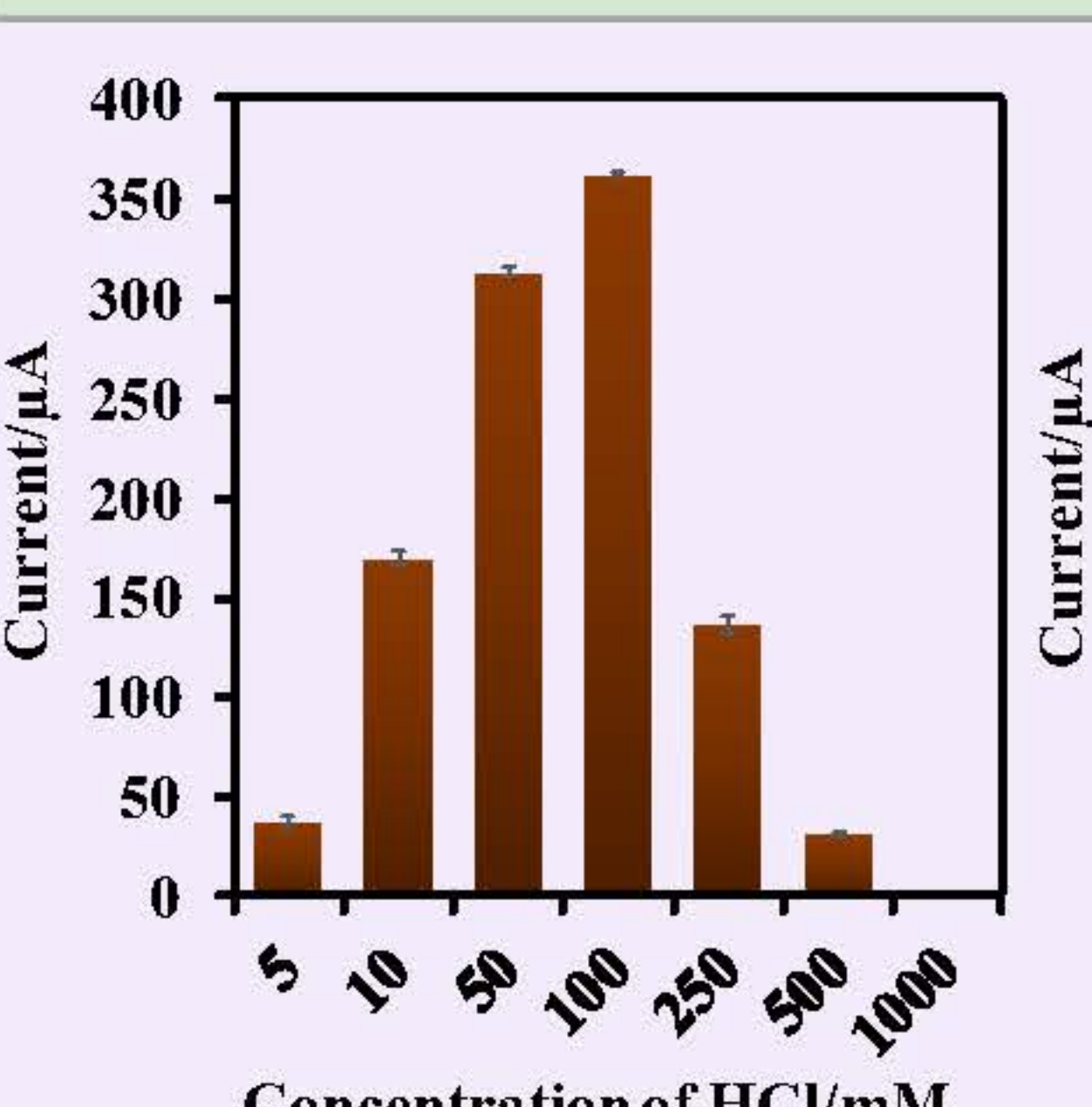
Optimizations

Optimization of electrode fabrications

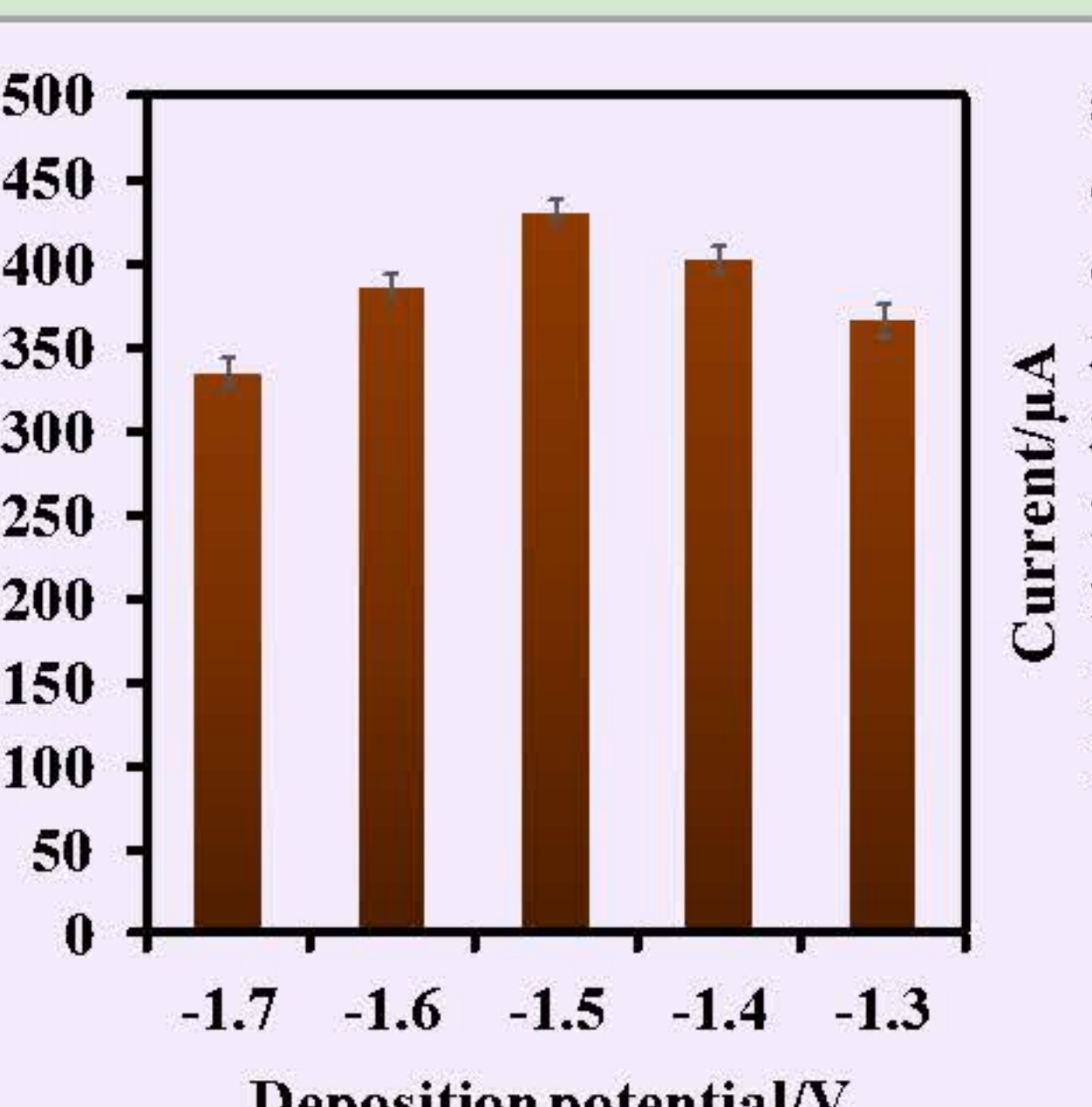


| Amount of $\text{Bi}(\text{NO}_3)_3/\text{MoS}_2/\mu\text{g}$ | Current/ μA |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 4 | 110 |
| 8 | 280 |
| 12 | 350 |
| 16 | 300 |

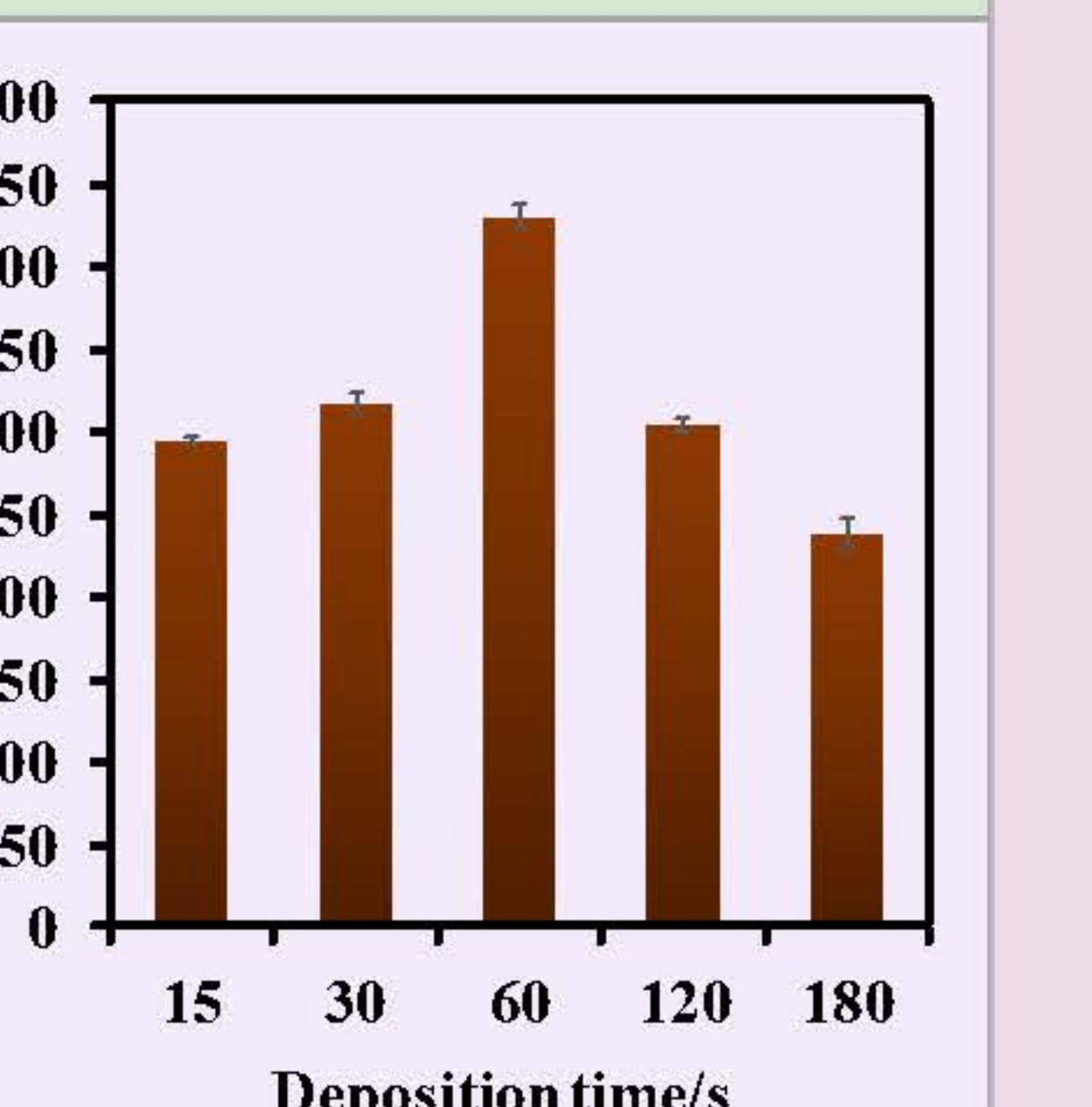
Optimization of operational conditions



| Concentration of HCl/mM | Current/ μA |
|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 5 | 30 |
| 10 | 170 |
| 50 | 320 |
| 100 | 360 |
| 250 | 140 |
| 500 | 20 |

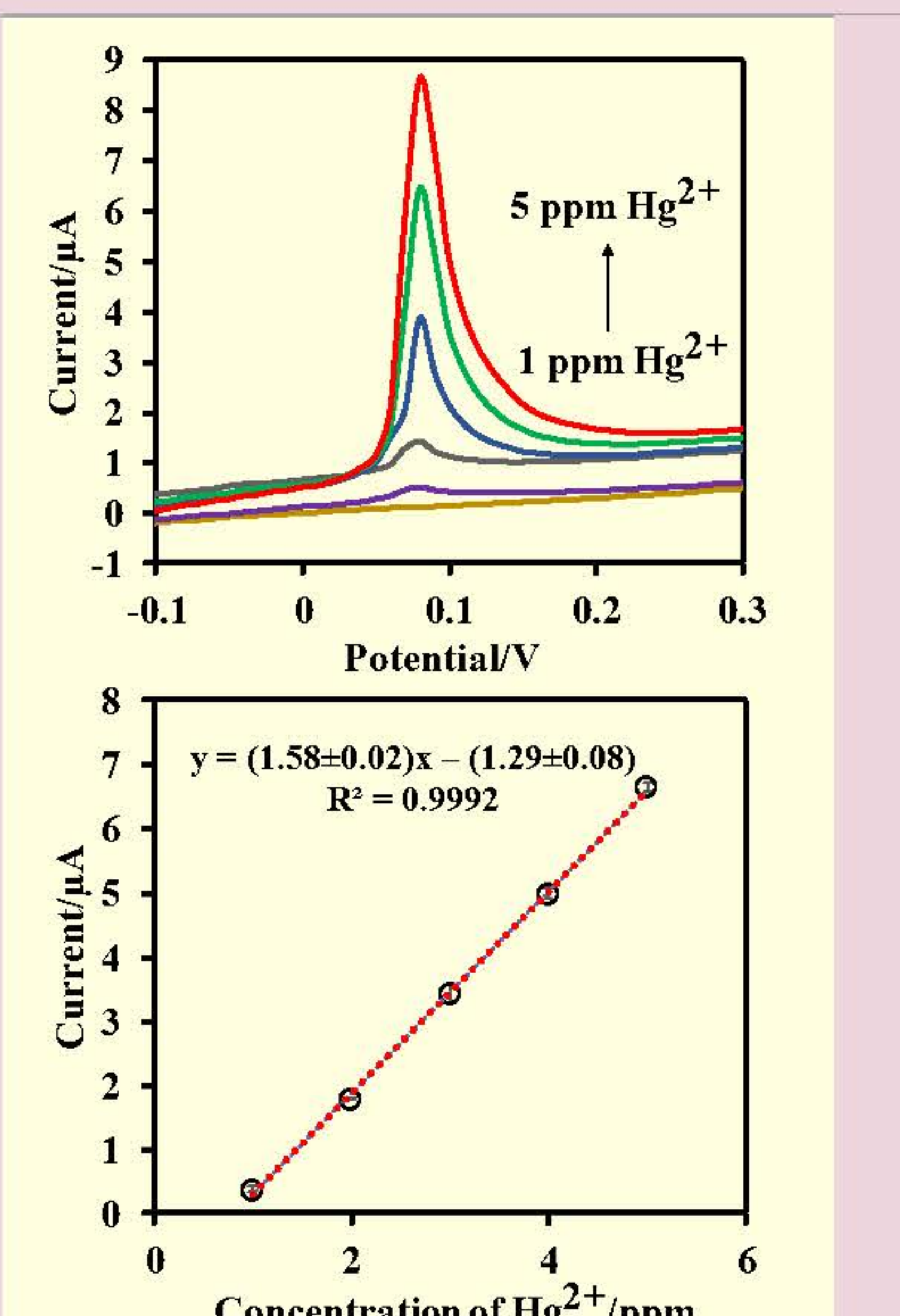


| Deposition potential/V | Current/ μA |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| -1.7 | 330 |
| -1.6 | 380 |
| -1.5 | 430 |
| -1.4 | 400 |
| -1.3 | 370 |



| Deposition time/s | Current/ μA |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| 15 | 290 |
| 30 | 310 |
| 60 | 430 |
| 120 | 300 |
| 180 | 240 |

Linearity



5 ppm Hg^{2+}

1 ppm Hg^{2+}

$y = (1.58 \pm 0.02)x - (1.29 \pm 0.08)$

$R^2 = 0.9992$

Conclusions

Mercury is a toxic metal that can cause severe toxic effects, including kidney damage, anxiety, depression, and peripheral neuropathy. In this study, " $\text{Bi}(\text{NO}_3)_3/\text{MoS}_2$ " was used as a working electrode for the development of an electrochemical sensor for the detection of mercury (II) ions. The study also involved optimizing the analyte and operating conditions, aiming to improve the selectivity, sensitivity, and reliability of the electrode for mercury detection.

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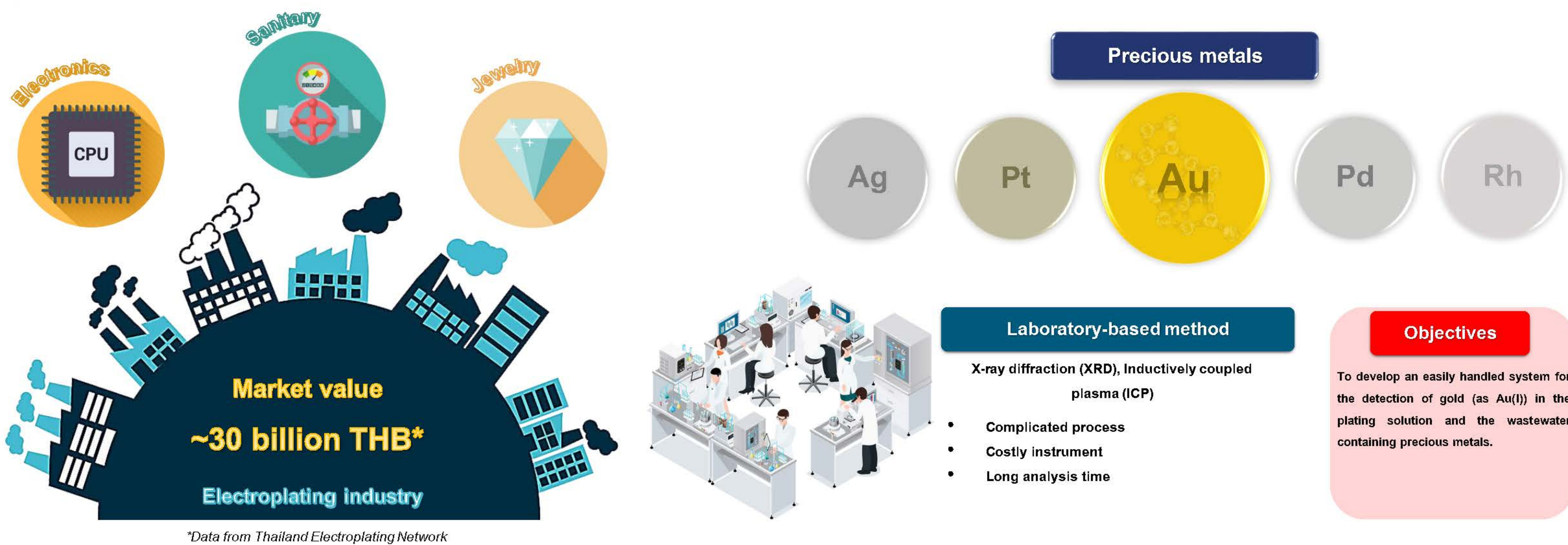
TECHNOLOGY OF INNOVATIVE SENSOR TO ENHANCE THE COMPETITIVENESS OF THE METAL PLATING INDUSTRY

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INTRODUCTION



METHODS

Optimizing parameters

- To study experimental conditions that affected the detection of Au(I)

Applying to field test

- Testing of a protocol for the detection of Au(I) in the plating solution and the wastewater containing precious metals



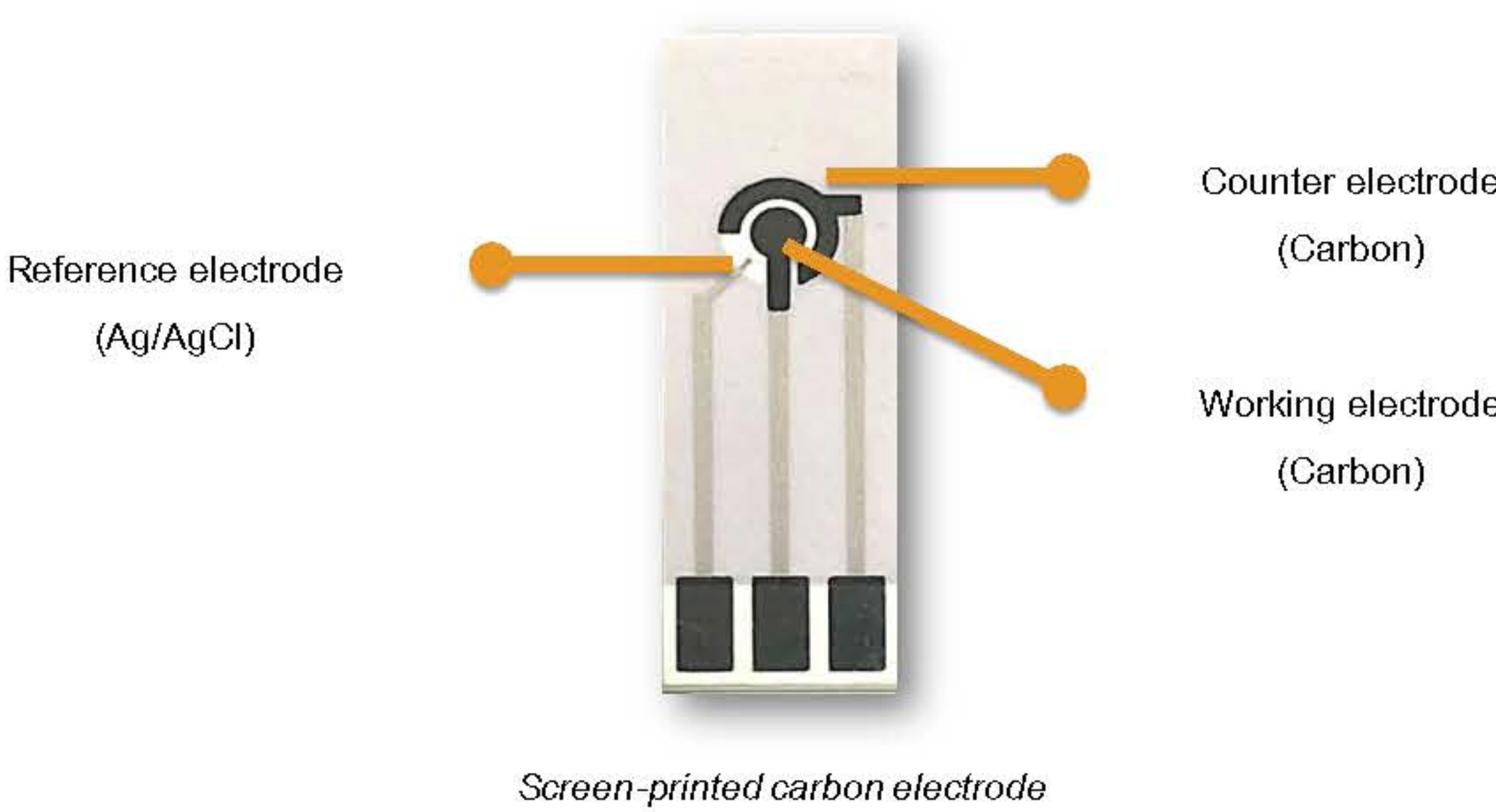
Selecting equipment

- The potentiostat is portable and easy-to-use, compatible with a miniaturized system

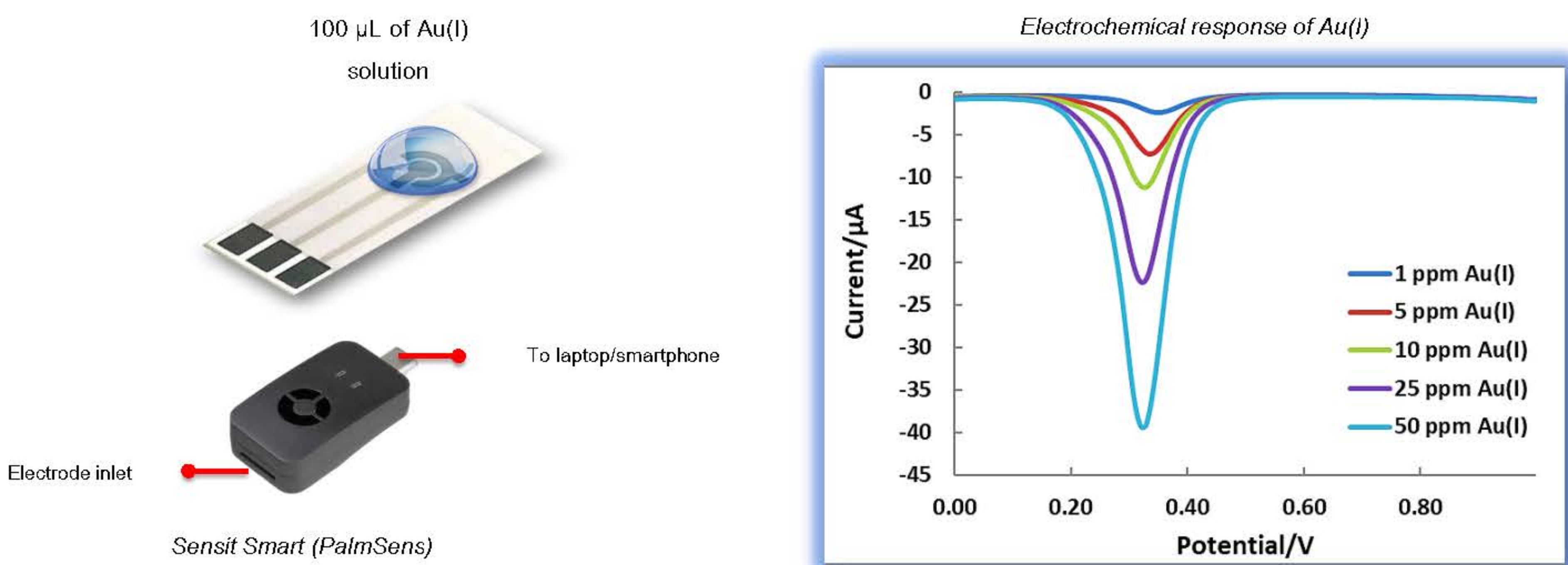
Method validation

- Analytical performance is examined to study sensitivity, selectivity, and repeatability.

Composition of a sensor

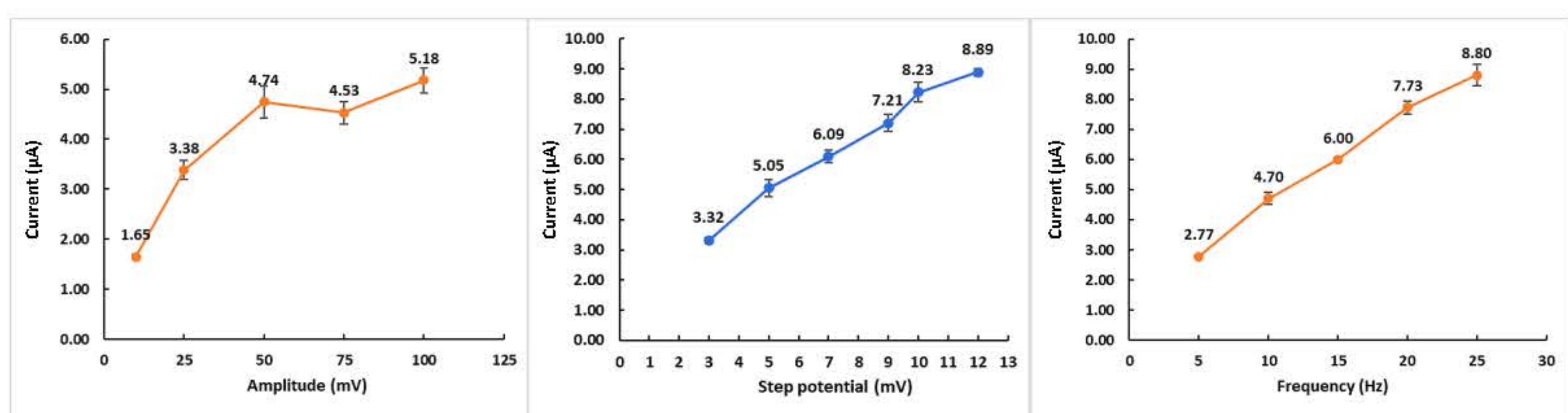


Electrochemical detection of Au(I) ions

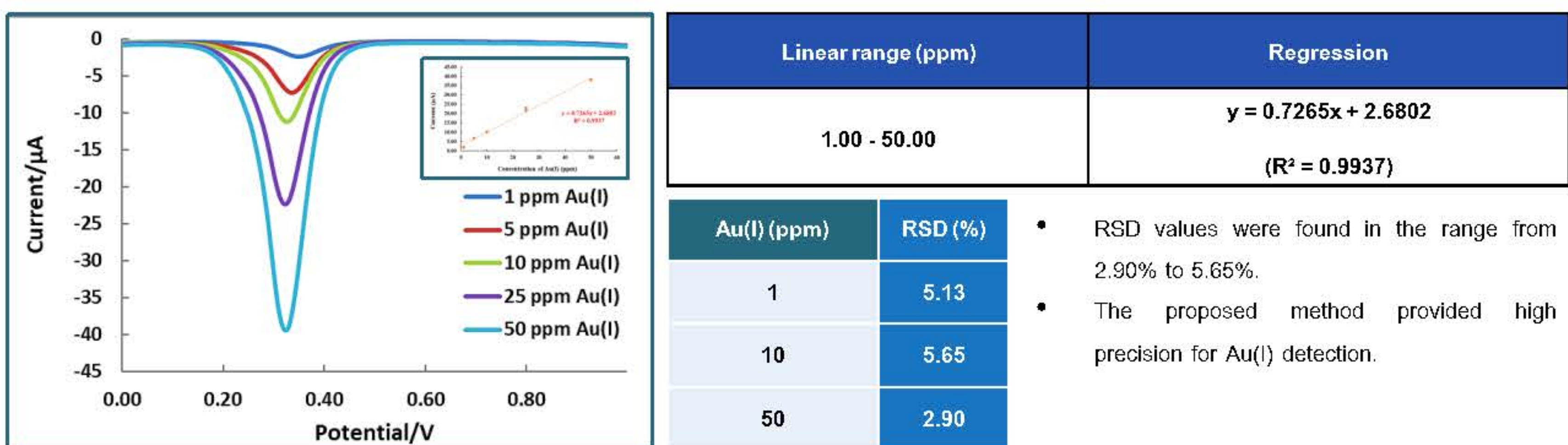


RESULTS & DISCUSSION

Optimization of electrochemical parameters



Analytical performance



Square wave voltammograms with different concentration (1 – 50 ppm) of standard Au (I) in aqua regia

CONCLUSION

- The development of an electrochemical method for the detection of gold (Au(I)) was proposed.
- The measurement was performed on an unmodified screen-printed carbon electrode compatible with a portable potentiostat, enabling the potentiality for the on-field analysis.
- The linear concentration was obtained in the range of 1 – 50 ppm, which is possibly adequate to determine Au(I) in the real plating solution and the wastewater containing precious metals.

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