

Raman Probe of Particle Size Effects in Aftertreatment Catalysts

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Raman Probe of Microcrystalline of Silicon

Raman has been used to determine whether a Si-film is crystalline or amorphous

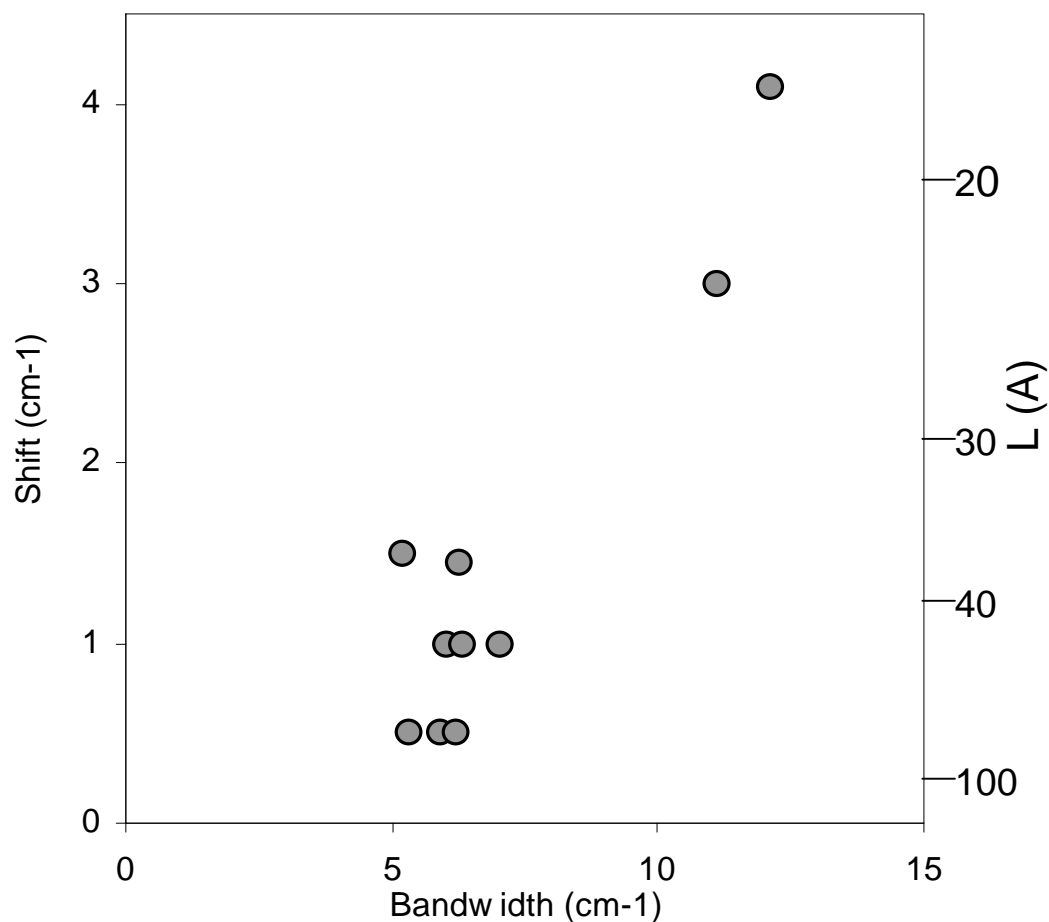
crystalline Si: sharp band at 522 cm^{-1} ($\Delta\omega_{1/2} = 3.5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$)

amorphous Si: hump $\sim 480 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ (very broad due to a loss of long range ordering)

laser annealed Si: 515 cm^{-1} ($\Delta\omega_{1/2} = 8 \text{ cm}^{-1}$) *Morhange et. al. Solid State Comm. 31, 805 (1979)*

plasma deposited Si: $476\sim 512 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ($\Delta\omega_{1/2}$ increases with decreasing energy)

Tsu et. al. Solid State Comm. 36, 817 (1980)



$$\Psi(k, r) = A \exp[-2(r/L)^2] \phi(k, r)$$

L: crystalline size

Crystallite size can be related to Raman bandwidth of Si-band

H. Richter et. al. Solid State Comm. 39, 625 (1981)

Raman Probe of Carbonaceous Materials

Pure graphite: a sharp *graphitic* band at 1578 cm^{-1} ($\Delta\omega_{1/2} = 16\text{ cm}^{-1}$)

Ground graphite: a second *amorphous* band at 1335 cm^{-1} ($\Delta\omega_{1/2} \sim 40\text{ cm}^{-1}$)

Other carbonaceous materials:

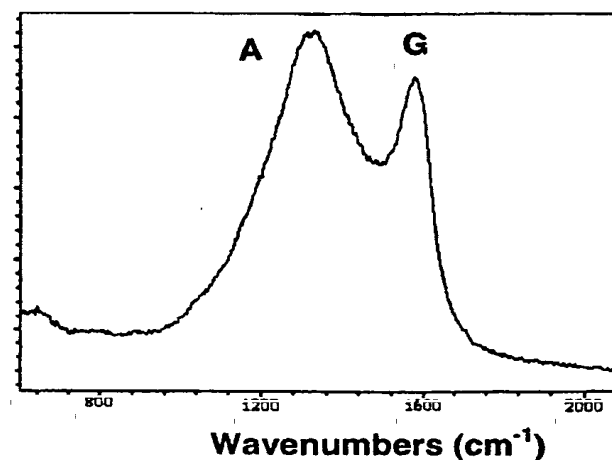
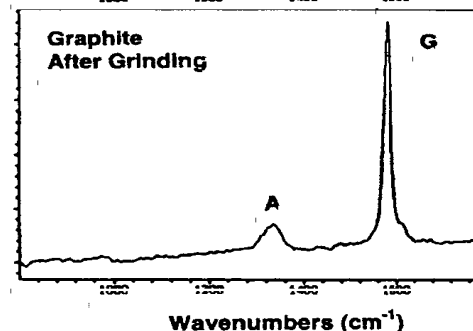
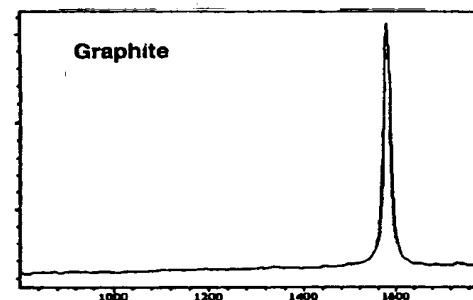
	<i>graphitic</i> (cm^{-1})	<i>amorphous</i> (cm^{-1})
Engine soot	1570	1330
Carbon black	1585	1330

varies with carbonization temperature

Coal/Kerogens

~1580 ~1330
varies with sample maturation

H. Fang & S. Kelemen, Energy & Fuels 15, 653 (2001)



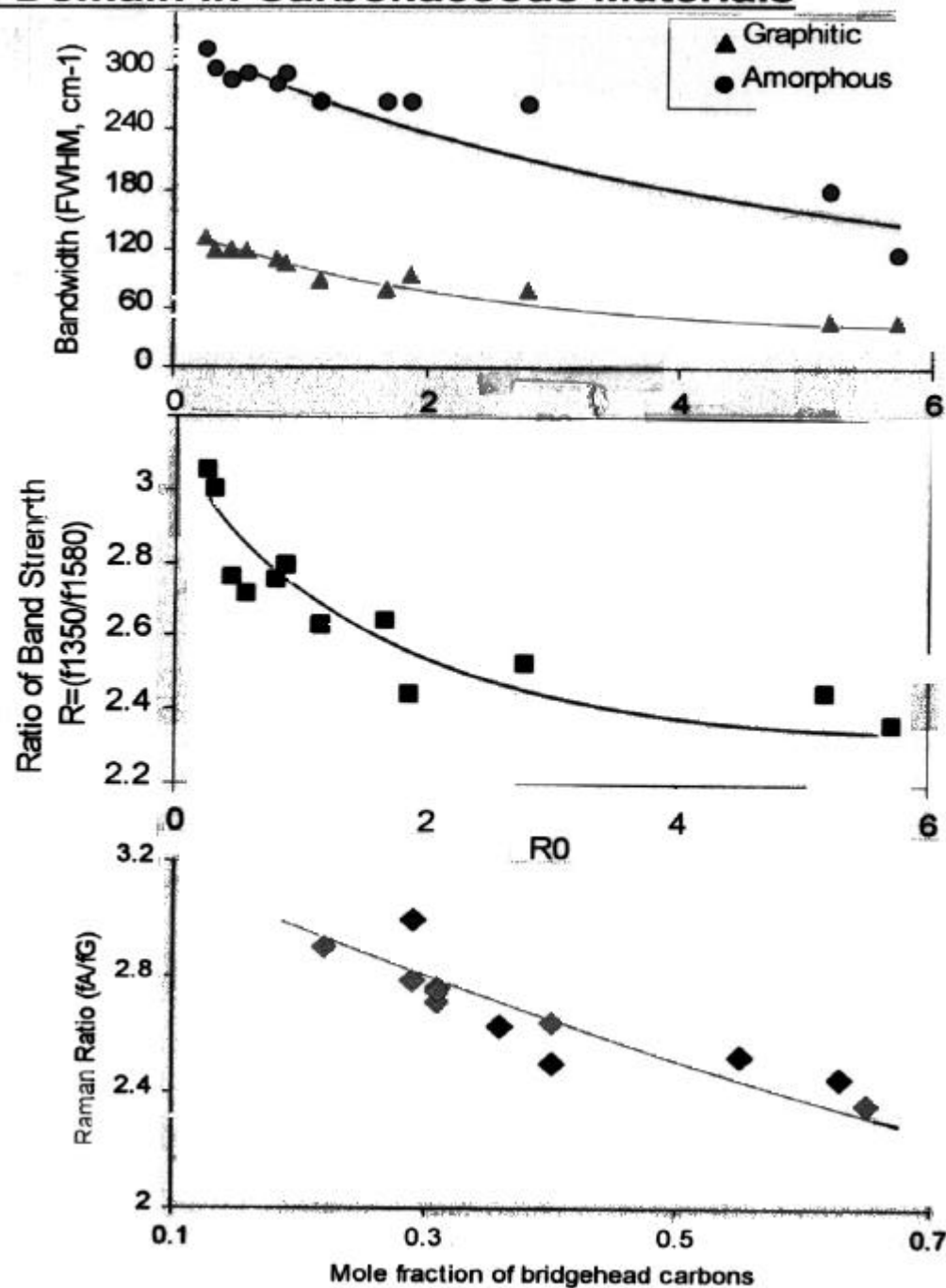
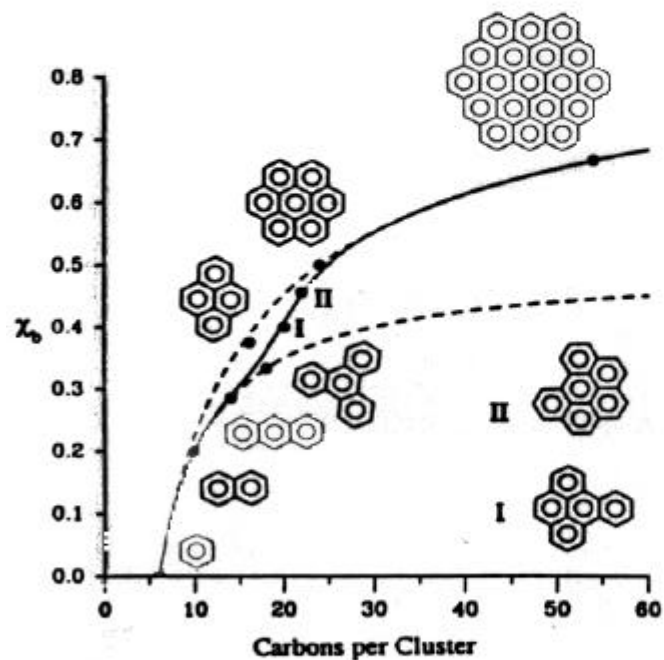
Raman Probe of Aromatic Ring Domain in Carbonaceous Materials

Samples: Argonne Premium Coal &
Penn State Coal
(with R0 0.25 ~ 5.7)

Raman : 633 nm excitation

NMR: ^{13}C CP/MAS

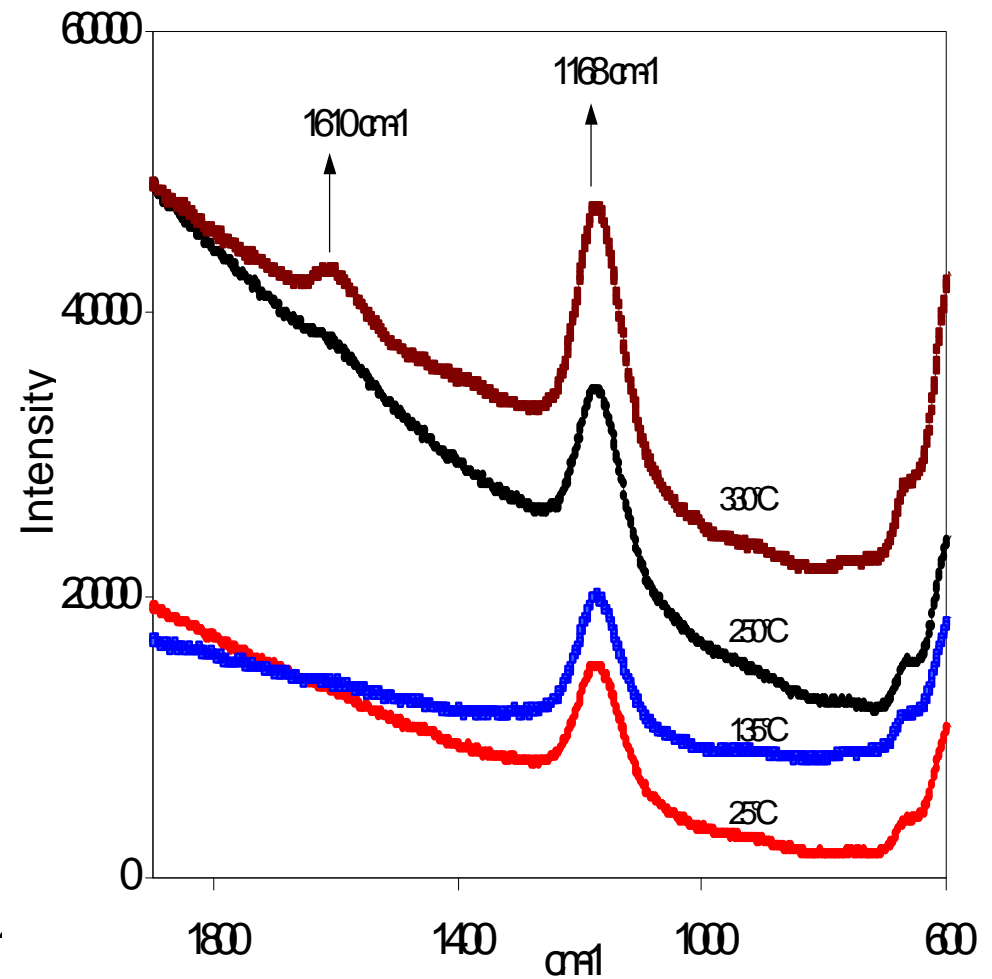
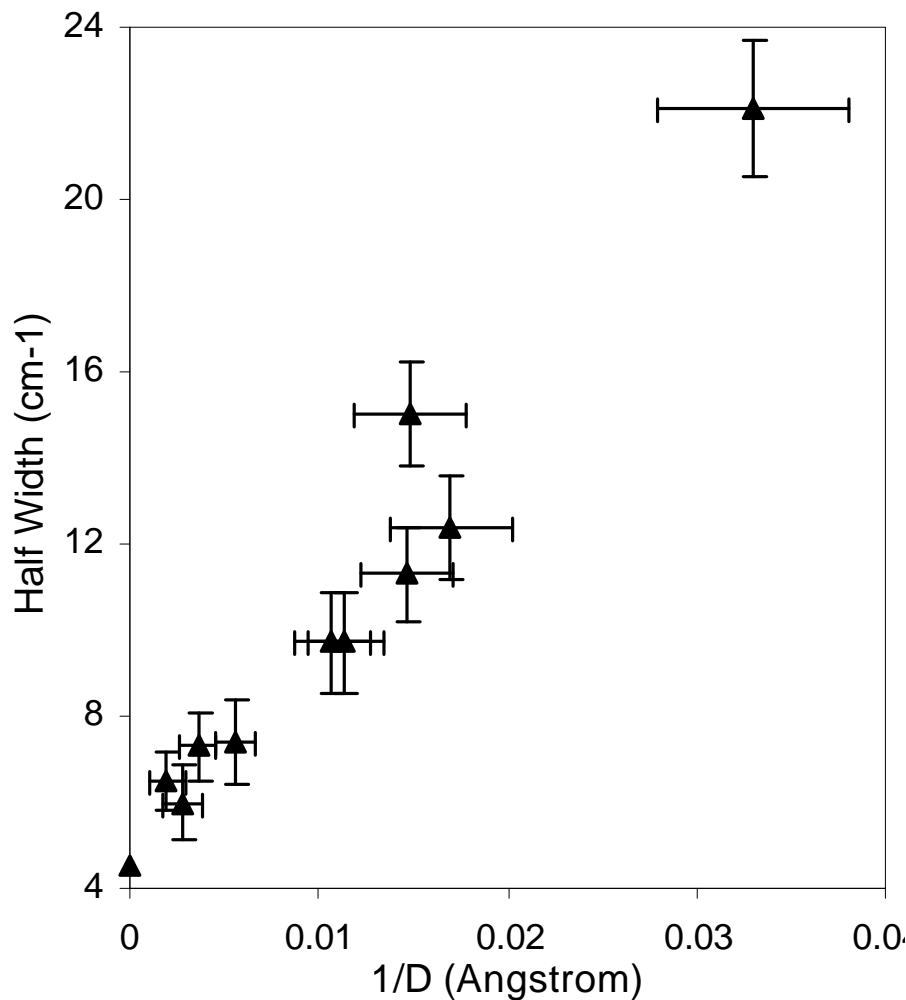
M. Solum et. al. Energy & Fuels 3, 187 (1989)



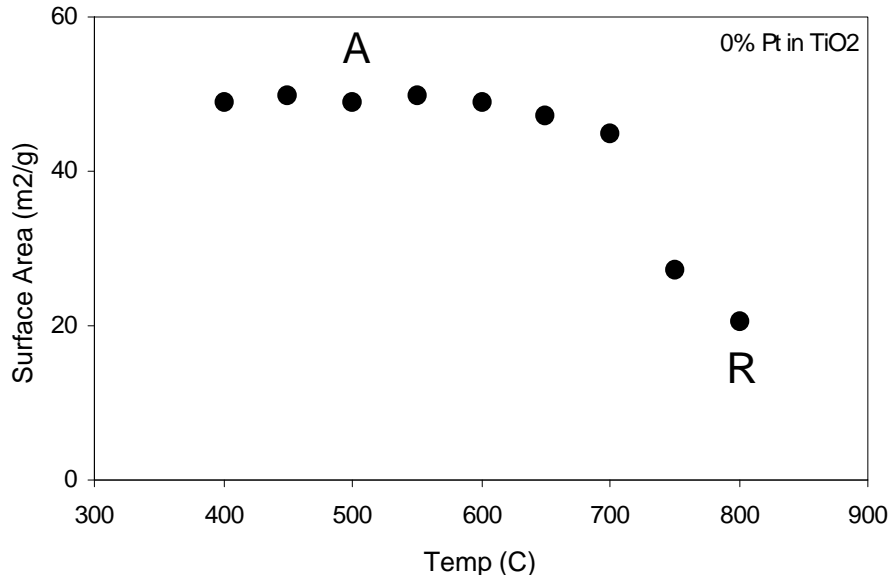
Raman Probe of Particle Size of CeO₂

Major CeO₂ 460 cm⁻¹ band is sensitive to particle size (W.Weber, et. al. Phys. Review B48,178 (1993))

Sulfation generates additional bands at 1168 and 1610 cm⁻¹ while the 1610 cm⁻¹ band occurs at high temperature



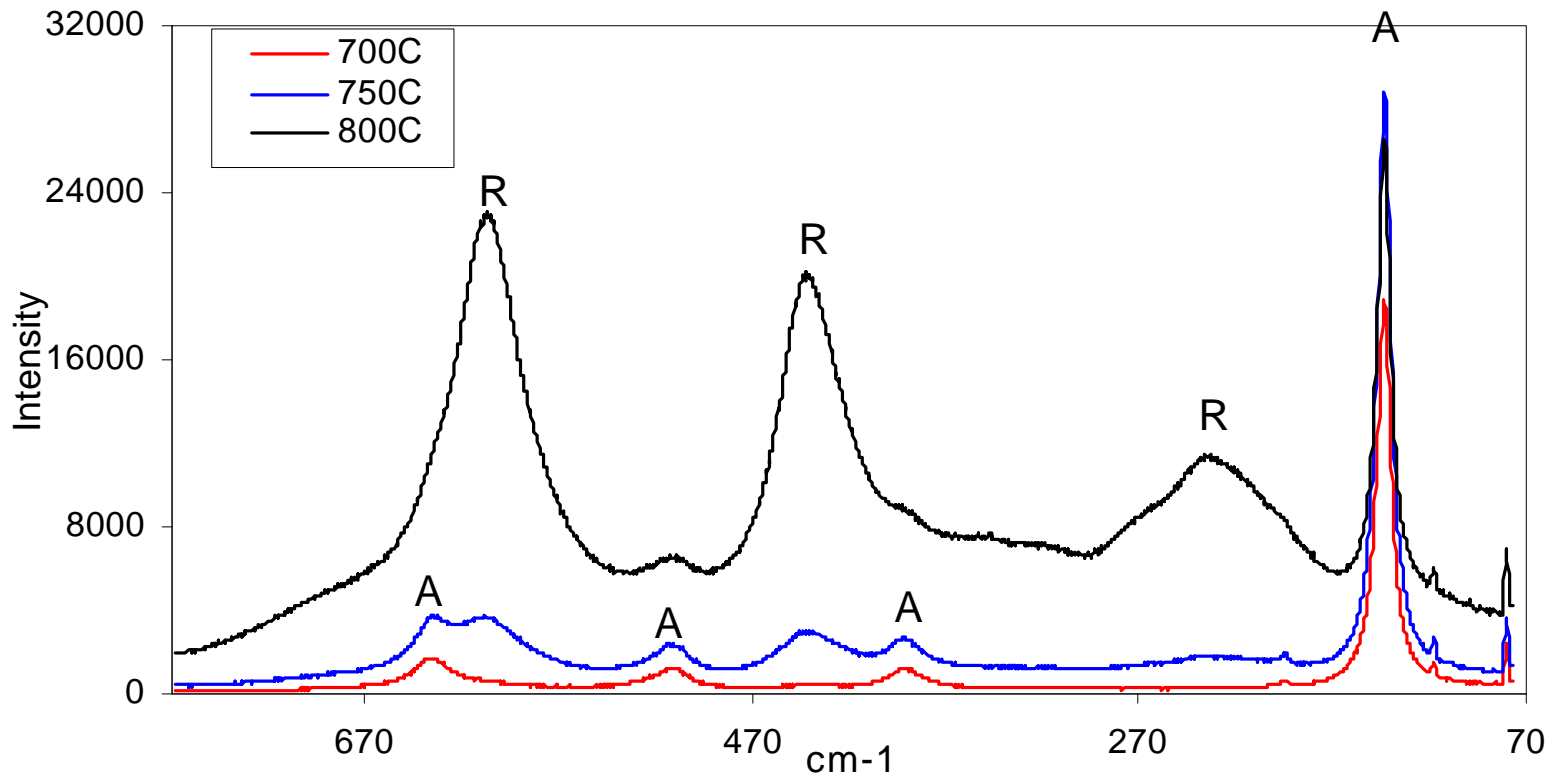
Raman Probe of Anatase/Rutile Phase Transition in TiO₂



Anatase: 146, 399, 518 & 640 cm⁻¹, density~3.8 g/cc

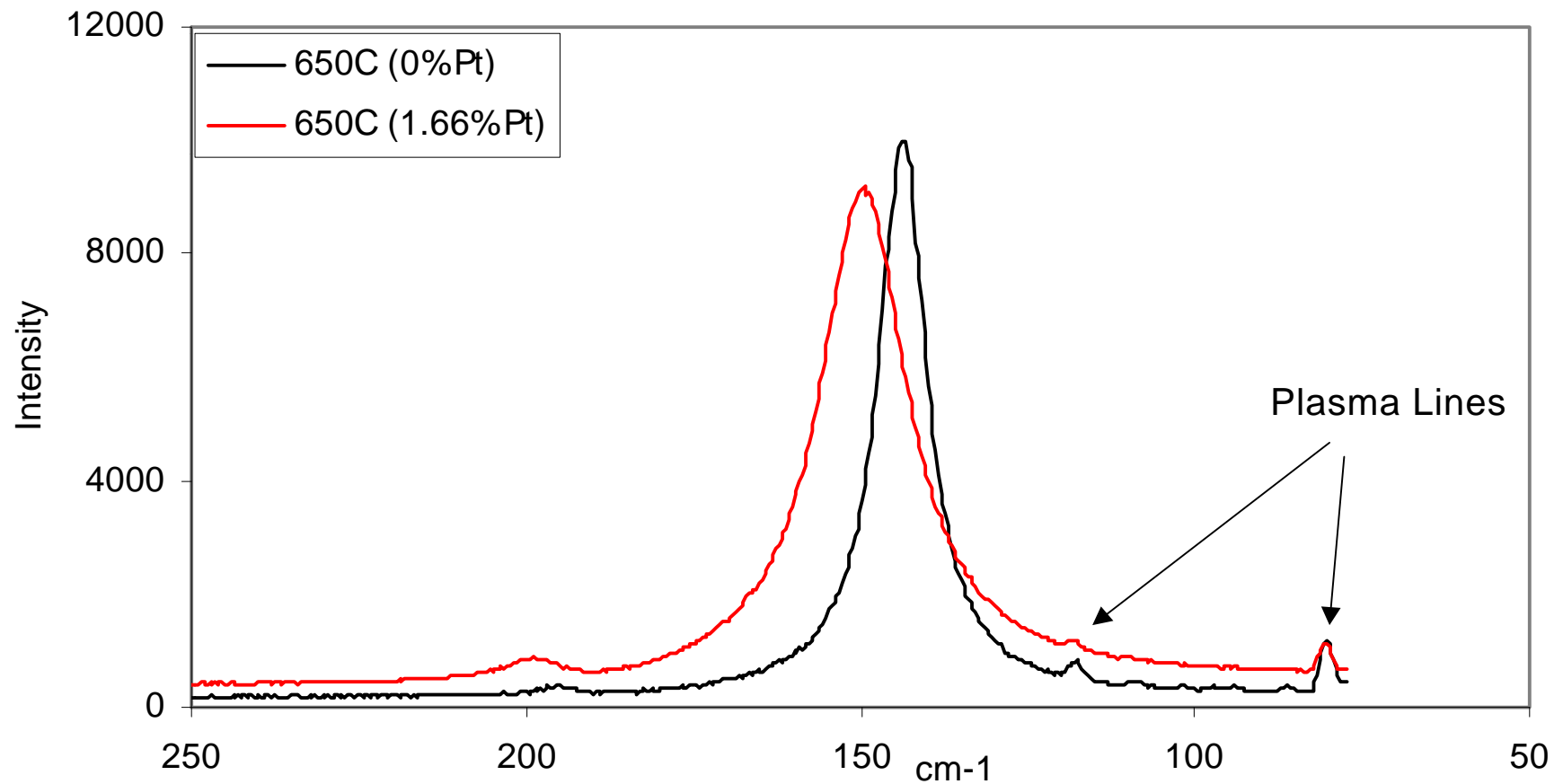
Rutile: 238, 450 & 613 cm⁻¹, density~4.3 g/cc

- Anatase dominates with T < 700°C while rutile begins to show at 750°C
- Transition frequencies and bandwidths of TiO₂ bands are invariant with temperature

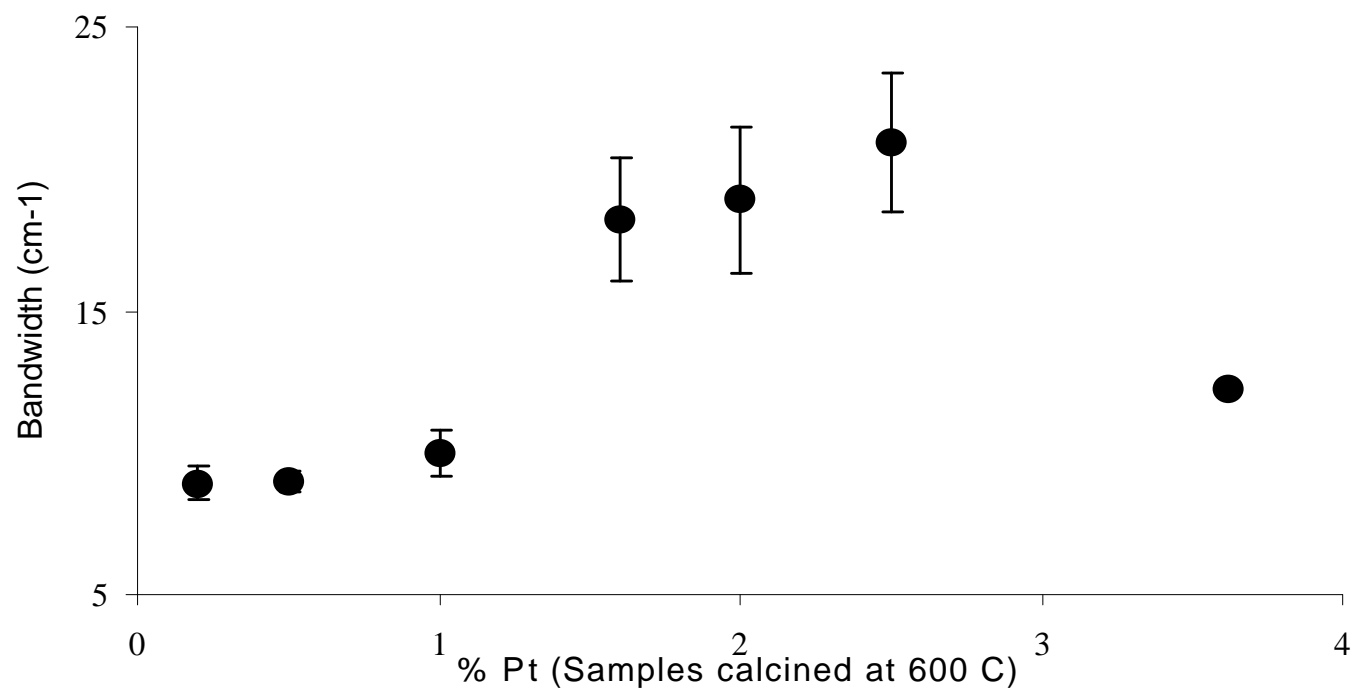
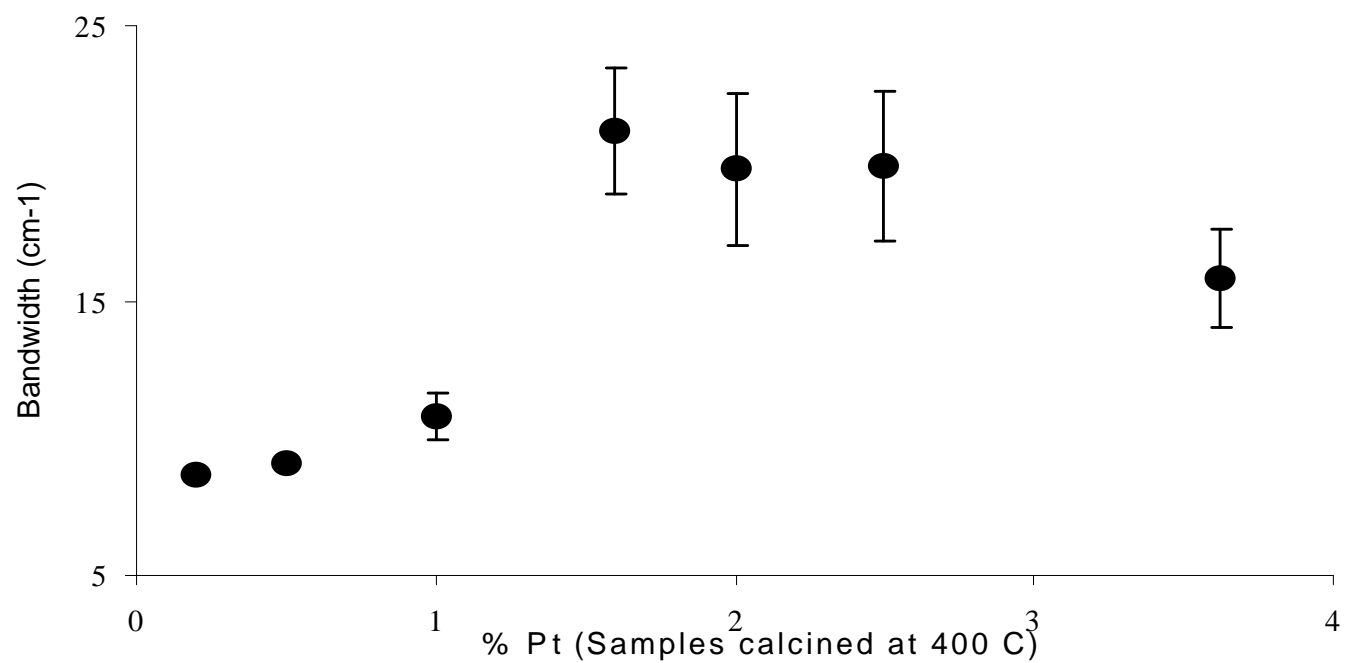


Raman is a sensitive probe of Pt dispersion

The 146.2 cm^{-1} Raman transition of TiO_2 shifts to 153.4 cm^{-1} while the bandwidth increases from 9 cm^{-1} to 18.3 cm^{-1} (almost 100% change)



Concentration Dependence of [Pt] on Titania

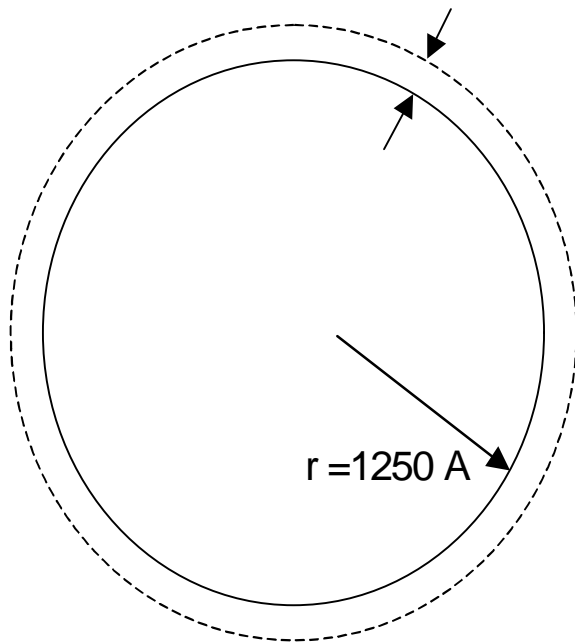


Transition concentration corresponds to a monolayer coating of [Pt]

wt % of [Pt] on TiO_2

= (mass of the Pt layer)/(mass of the TiO_2 particle)

Thickness $d=1.2 \sim 1.5 \text{ \AA}$



$$= (4\pi r^2 d \cdot \rho_{\text{Pt}}) / (4/3 \pi r^3 \cdot \rho_{\text{TiO}_2})$$

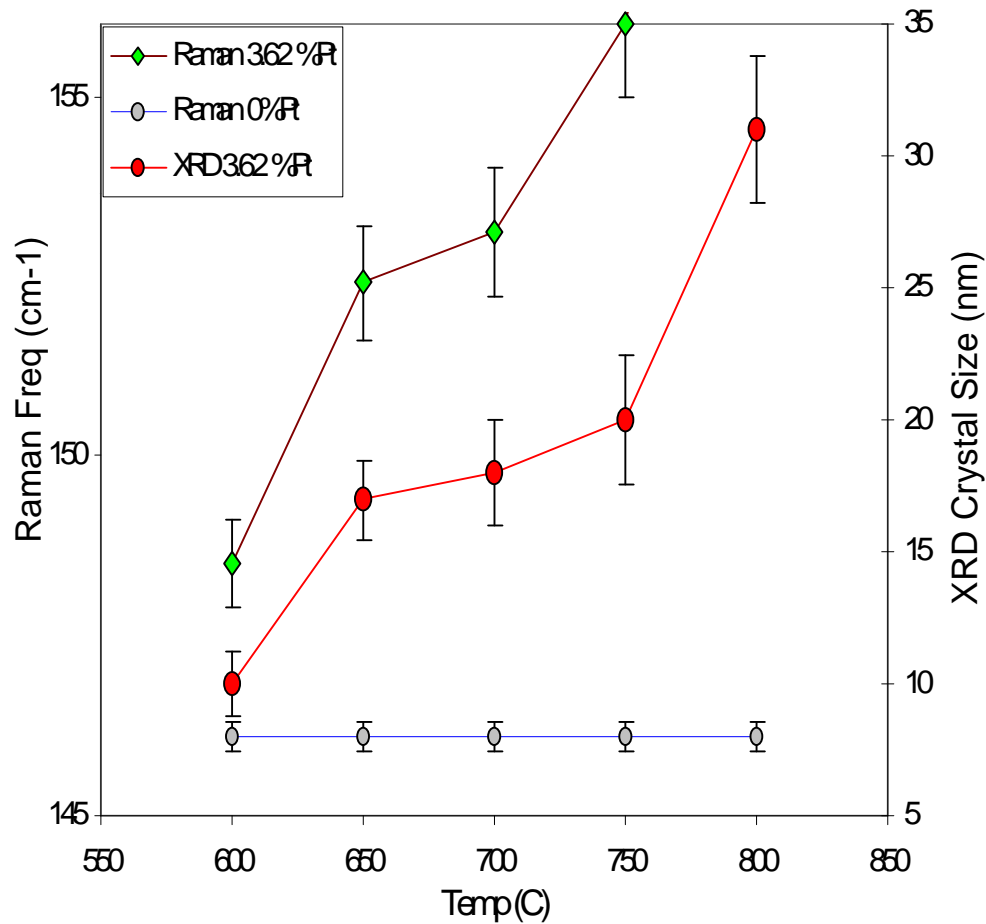
$$= 3d \cdot \rho_{\text{Pt}} / r \cdot \rho_{\text{TiO}_2}$$

$$= 3 \times 1.5 \times 19.7 / 1250 \times 3.8$$

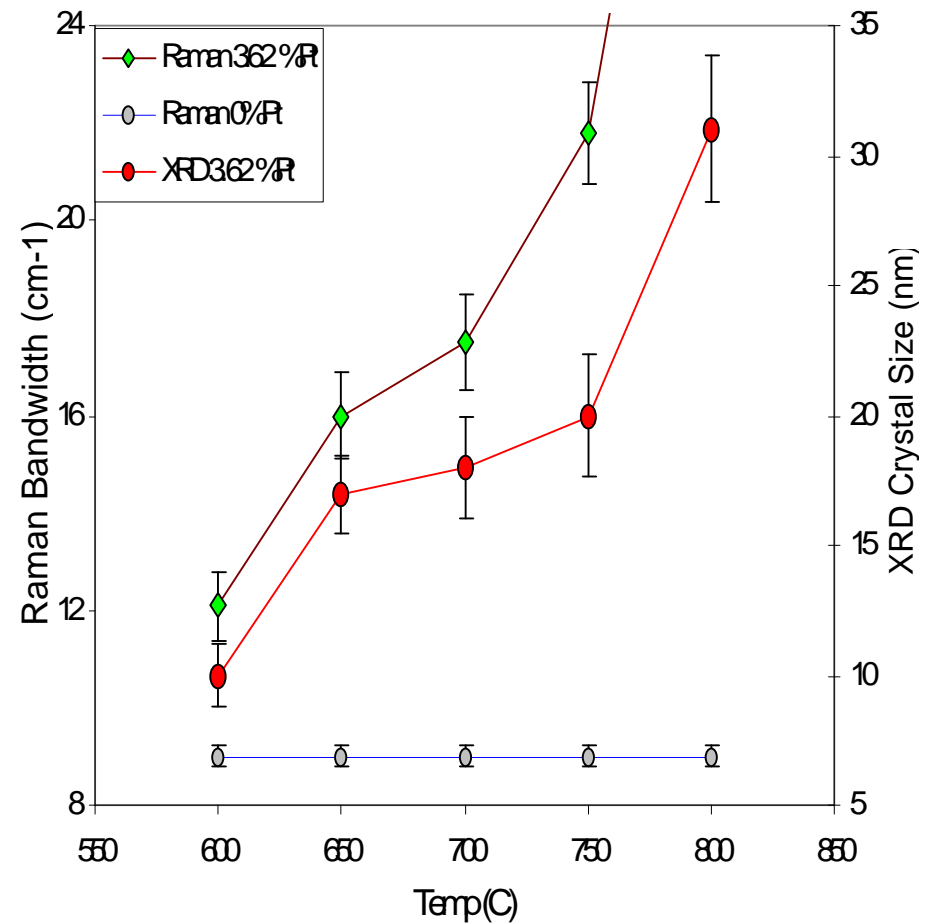
$$= 1.6 \%$$

Particle Size Correlation between Raman and XRD Spectra

Raman transition frequency
of TiO₂ band



Raman bandwidth of TiO₂ band

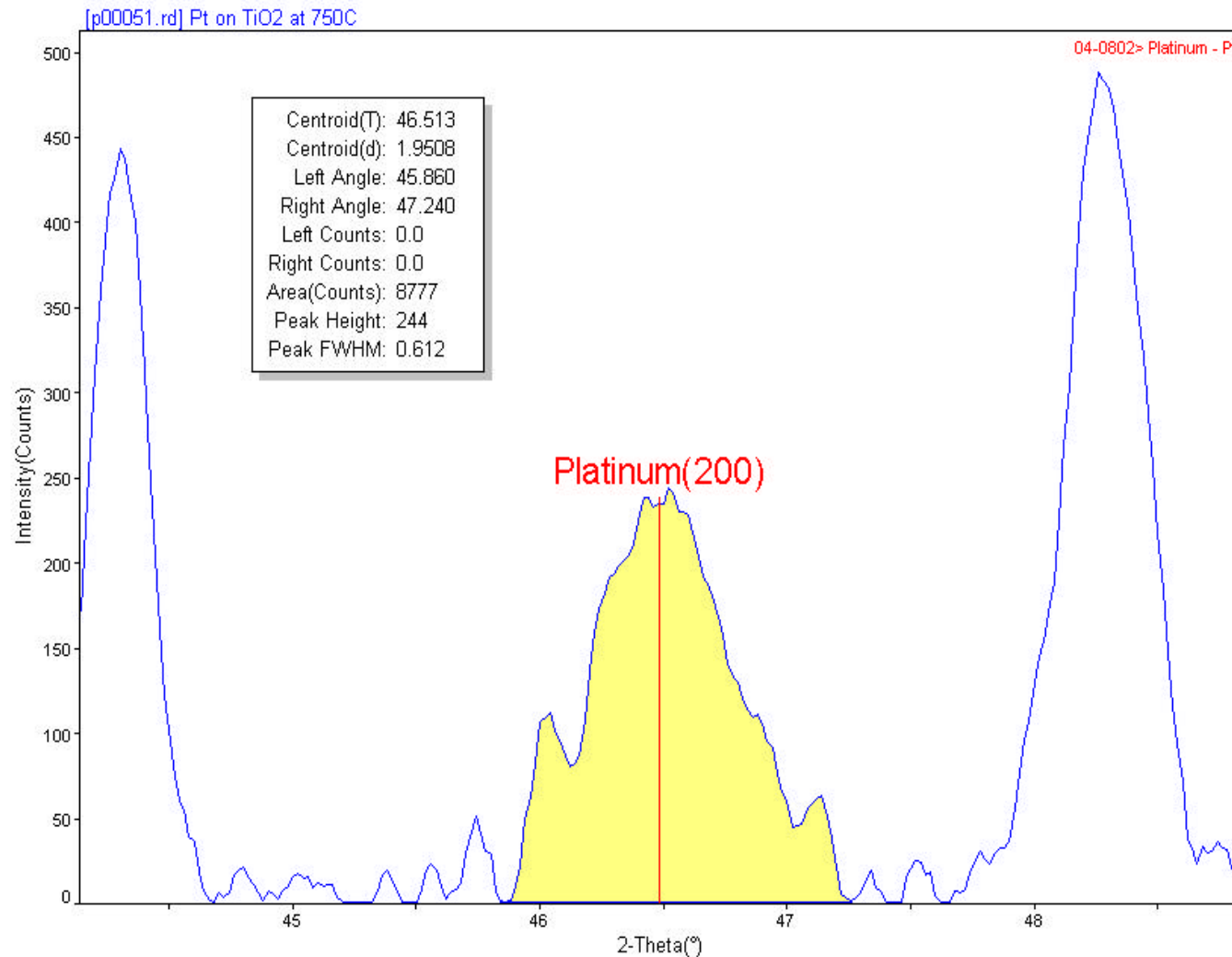


Particle Size Measurement by XRD

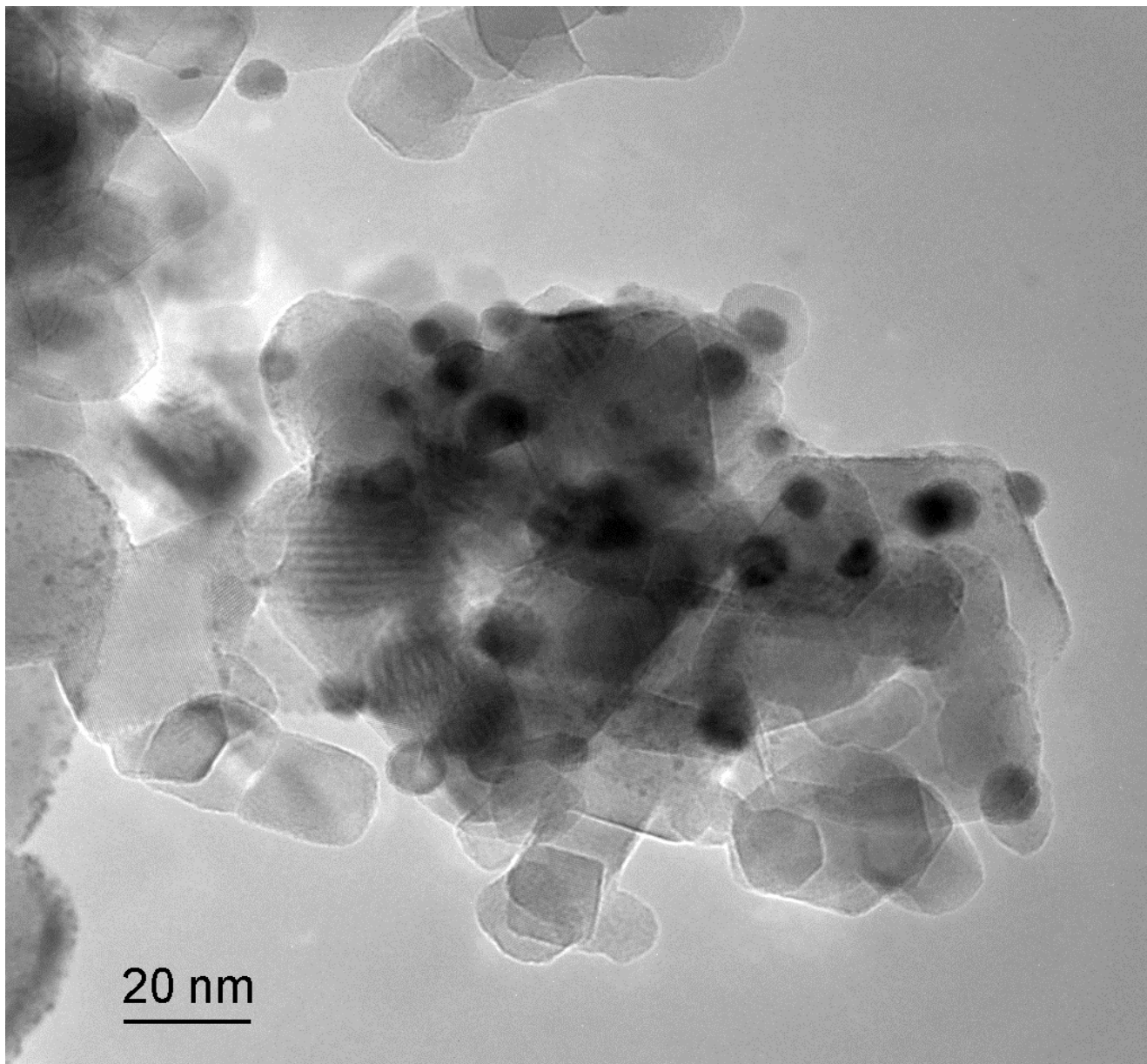
The mean crystal size can be calculated from Scherrer formula

$$t = 0.9\lambda/B\cos\theta_b$$

where λ is the wavelength of incident radiation, θ_b is the Bragg angle and B is the peak breadth measured in radians



TEM Image of Typical Dispersion of Pt on Titania



CONCLUSIONS

- **Raman is a sensitive probe of Pt dispersion**
 - Raman response needs to be calibrated against a reference method such as XRD or TEM
- **The 146 cm⁻¹ Raman band of TiO₂ shifts and broadens with [Pt] loading**
- **The bandwidth increases significantly at a critical concentration responsible for a monolayer coating on catalyst and finally collapses due to coalescence of particles into large agglomerates**