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Hetero-atom Substituted Carbon Alloys for Energy Conversion and Storage

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Umeda Sky Building



Famous signboard of crab restaurant

Apparatus in my lab



CVD apparatus



HFCVD apparatus

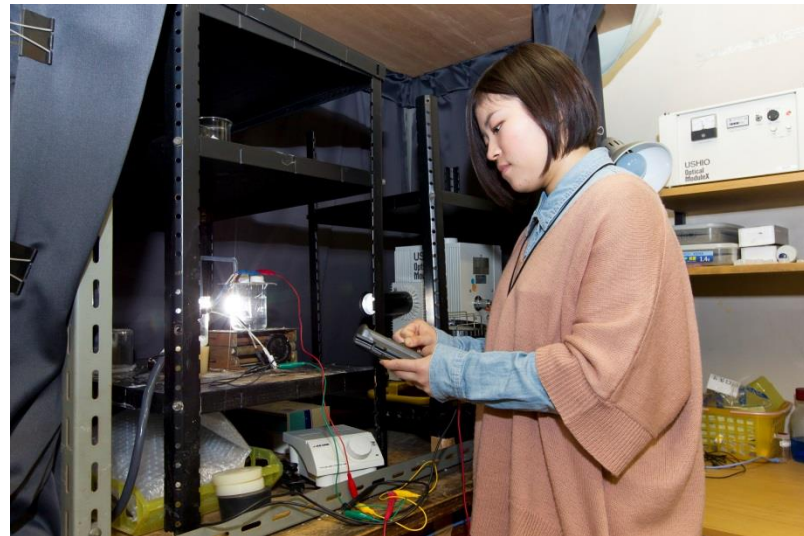
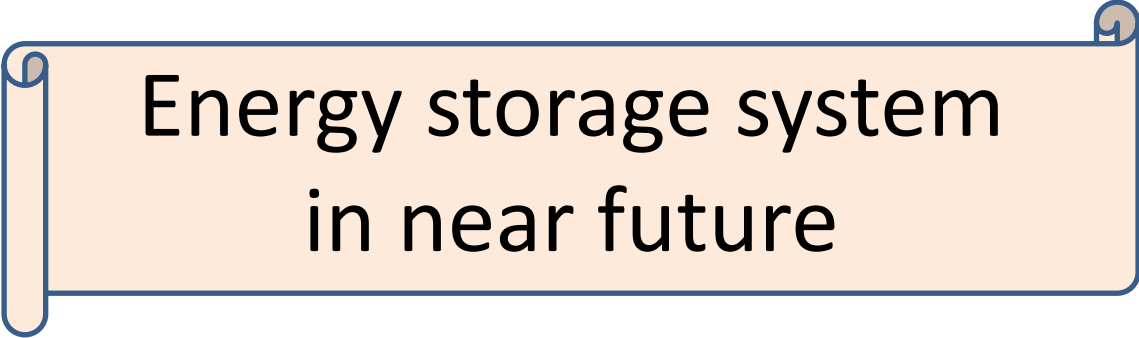


Photo catalytic measurement

Today's talk



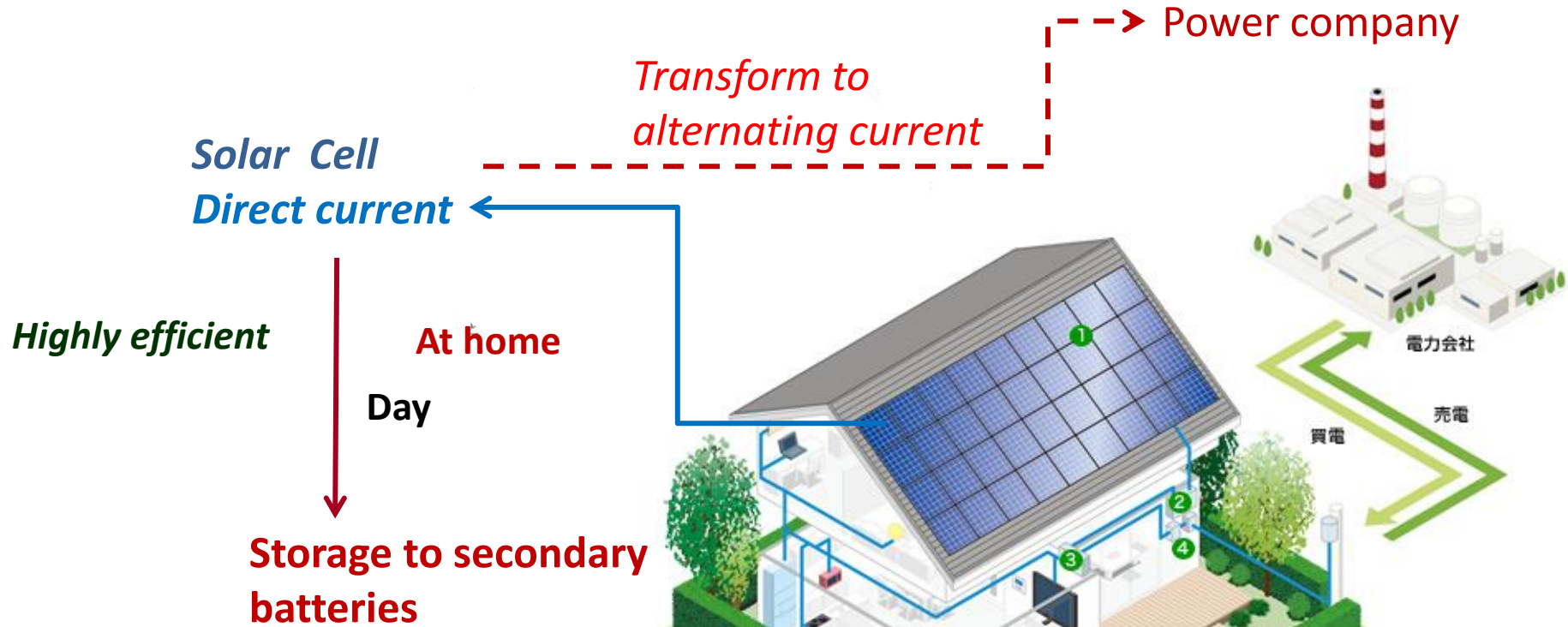
1. Energy storage system in near future
2. Hetero-atom substitute carbon alloys:
B/C/N materials
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 - 2-2. Intercalation mechanism
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Energy storage system
in near future

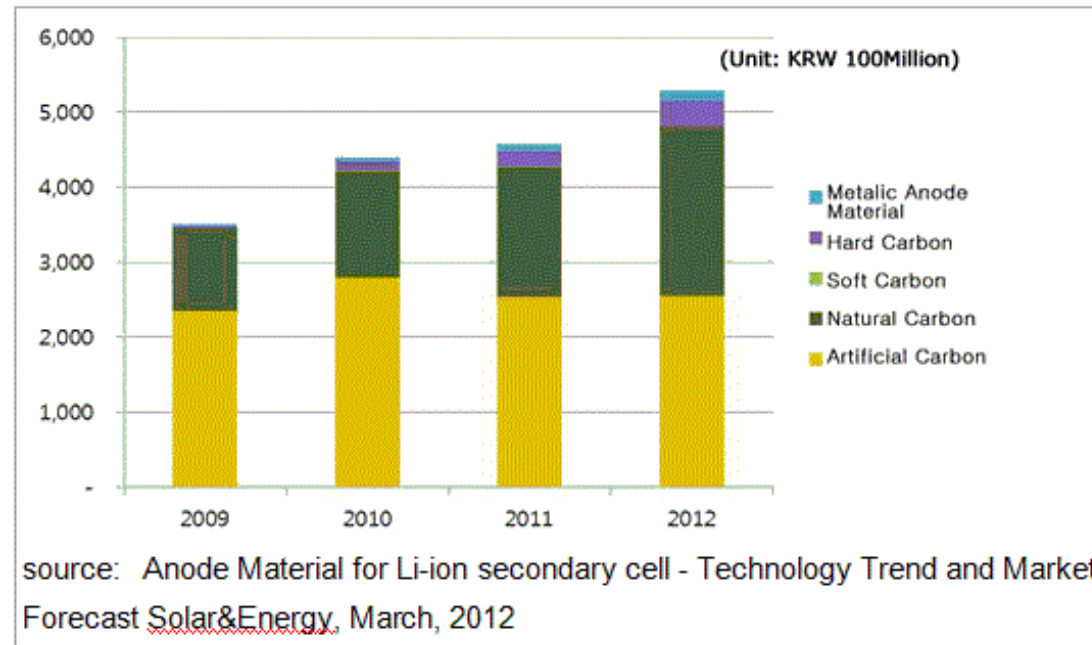
Natural resources for energy production

Ex: Solar cell



Nissan LEAF

Secondary batteries in the next generation



Natural resources

Clarke number

Ca > Na > K > Mg > Ba > Li

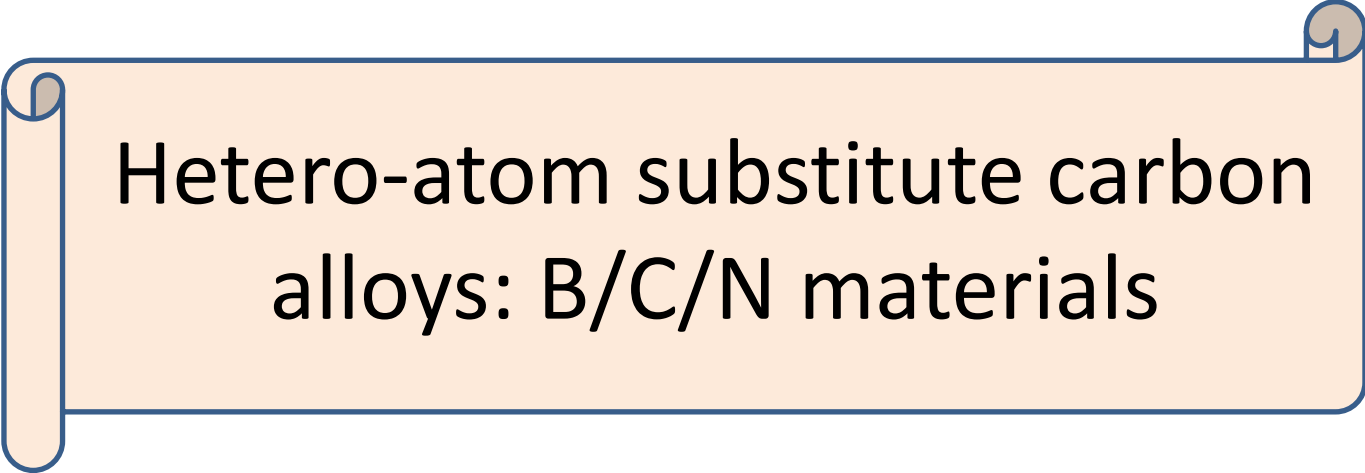
3.4 2.6 2.4 1.9 0.006

Anode materials for Li-ion batteries has been increasing.

Next generation?

Ca, Na, Mg ion batteries

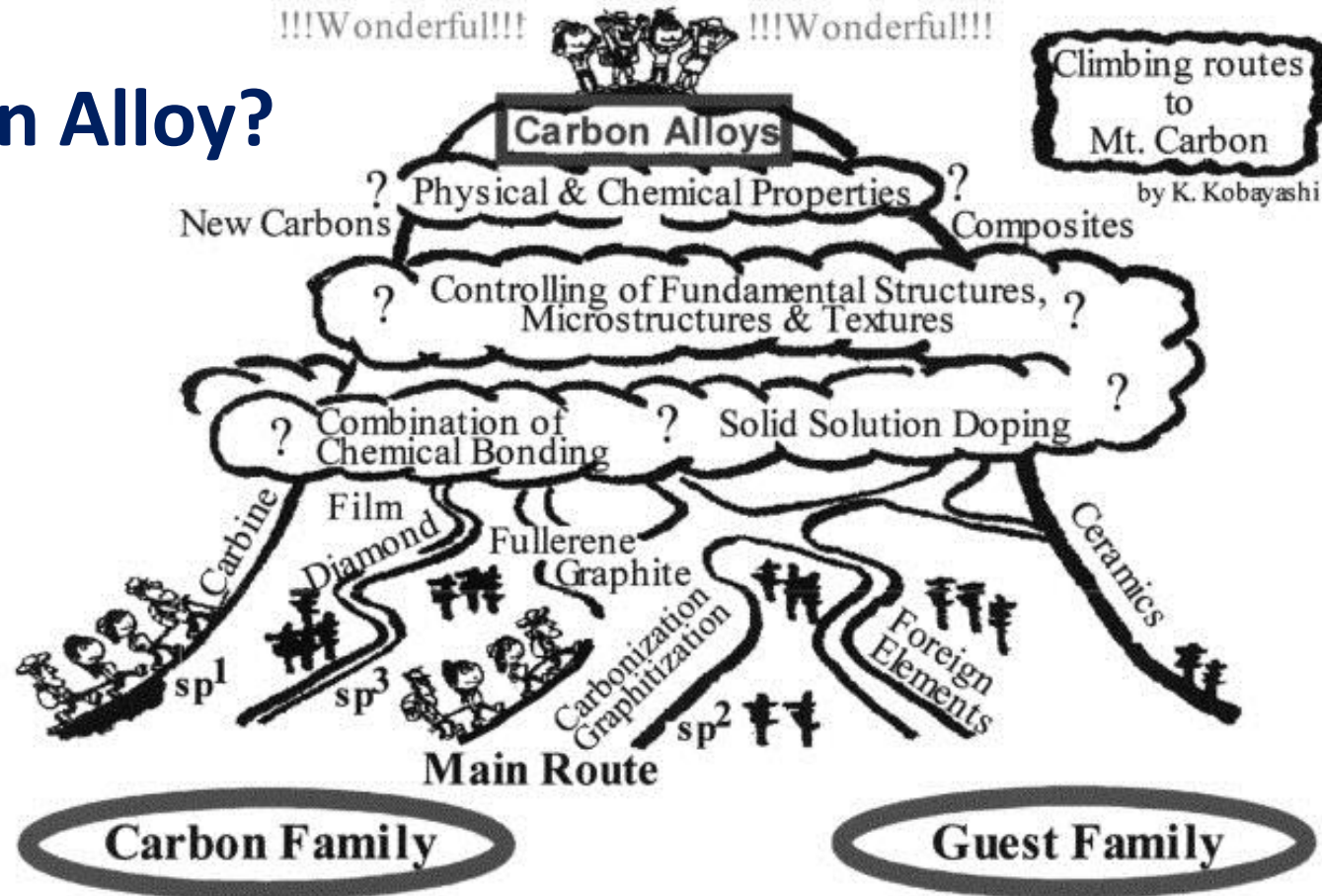
← Good host materials?



Hetero-atom substitute carbon
alloys: B/C/N materials

Summit of Mt. Carbon

What is Carbon Alloy?



We have many climbing routes to the summit but nobody knows the whole distance.

Ref: Y. Tanabe, E. Yasuda, *Carbon* 38 (2000) 329-334.

E. Yasuda, M. Inagaki, K. Kaneko, M. Endo, A. Oya and Y. Tanabe, *Carbon Alloy* (2003) Elsevier.

New host materials

Hetero-atom substituted carbon alloys

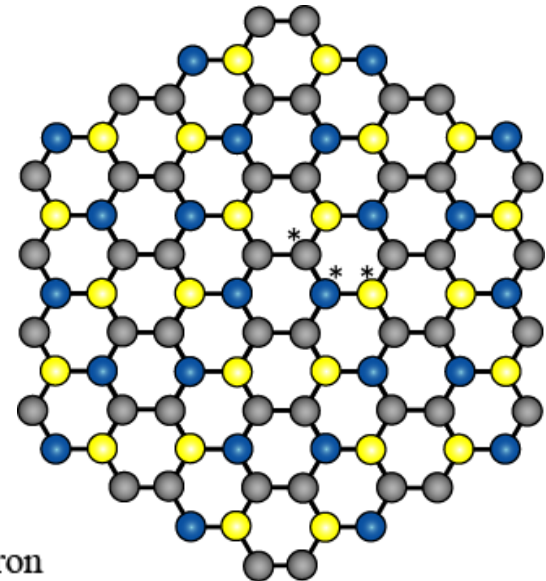
B/C materials BC_3 . . .

C/N materials C_2N , C_3N , C_5N . . .

B/C/N materials BCN , BC_2N , BC_3N , BC_4N , BC_6N . . .

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● Boron

● Carbon

● Nitrogen

BC_2N -TypeB

$(\text{B}_{24}\text{C}_{48}\text{N}_{24})$

Preparation methods for B/C/N materials

CVD method → BC_2N^* , BC_3N^{**} , BCN^{**} , $\text{BC}_6\text{N}^{***}$

*: J. Kouvetakis *et al.*, *Synth. Met.* 34 (1989) 1.

** : M. Kawaguchi *et al.*, *Chem. Mater.*, 8 (1996) 1197.

***: M. Kawaguchi *et al.*, *Carbon*, 37 (1999) 147.

Solid-gas reaction → B/C/N^* , BC_3N^{**}

*T. Ya. Kosolapova *et al.*, *Pooshkovaya Metallurgiya*, 1 (1971) 27.

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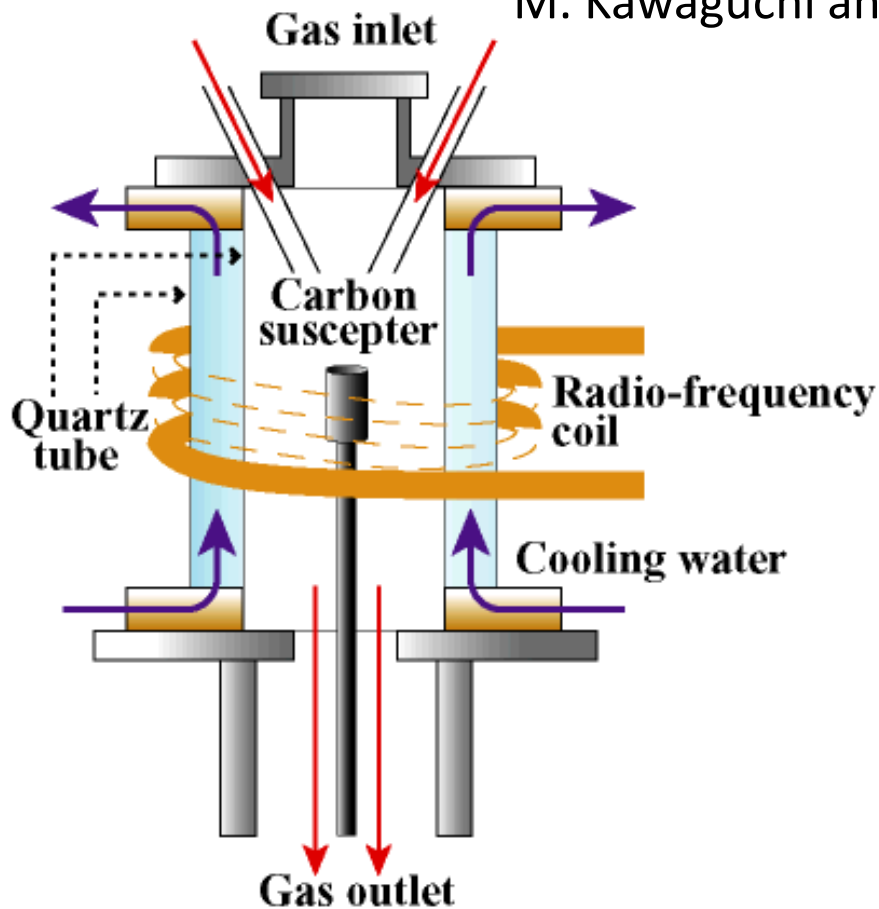
*J. Bill *et al.*, *Eur. J. Solid State Inorg. Chem.* 29 (1992) 195-212.

**H. Konno *et al.*, *J. Power Sources* 195 (2010) 1739.

CVD apparatus for preparation of B/C/N materials

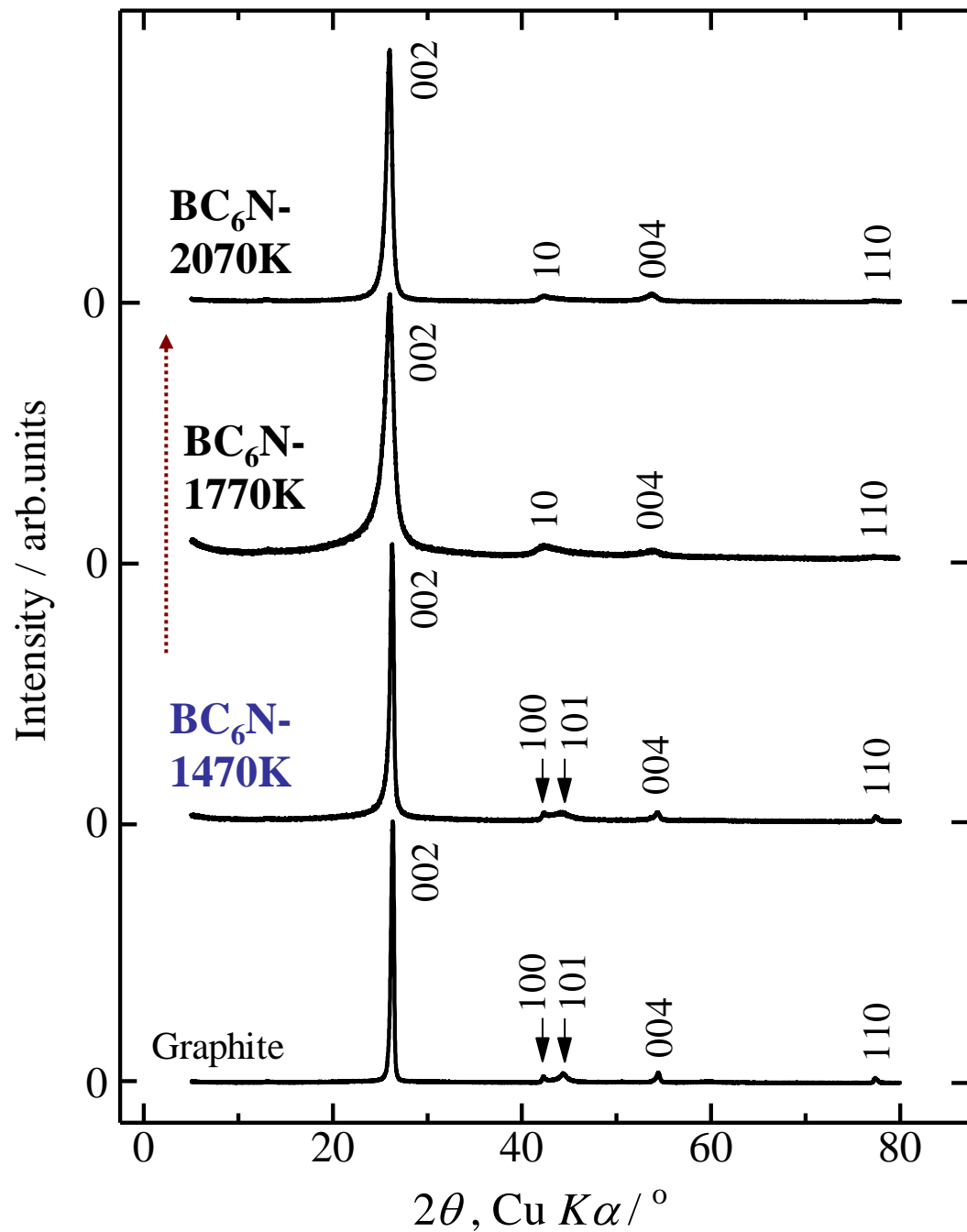


M. Kawaguchi and Y. Wakukawa, *Carbon* **37** (1999) 147-149.



Preparation condition

- Gas flow rate
 - CH_2CHCN (Acrylonitrile) 40ml/min
 - BCl_3 (Boron trichloride) 20ml/min
- Reaction time 120min
- Temperature 1470K ~ 2070K
- Pressure 760mmHg

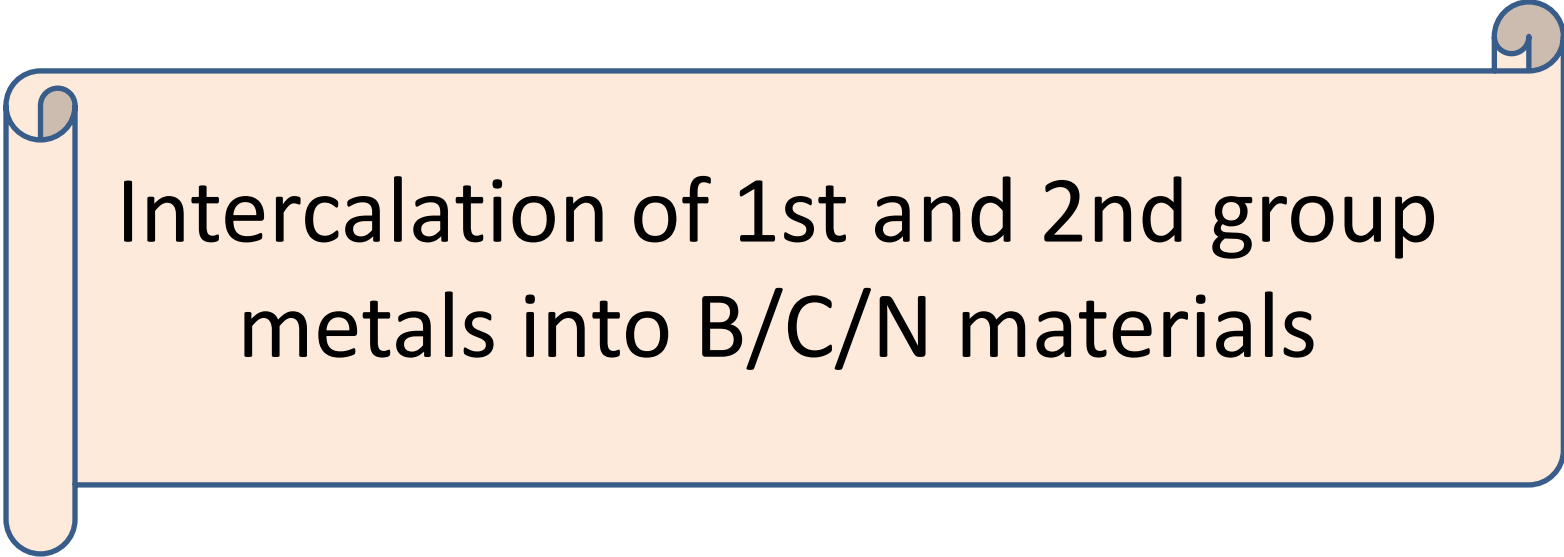


X-ray powder diffraction patterns for BC₆N.

Highest crystallinity

Thermodynamic reason

Graphite: mesocarbon microbeads heat-treated at 3230K



Intercalation of 1st and 2nd group
metals into B/C/N materials

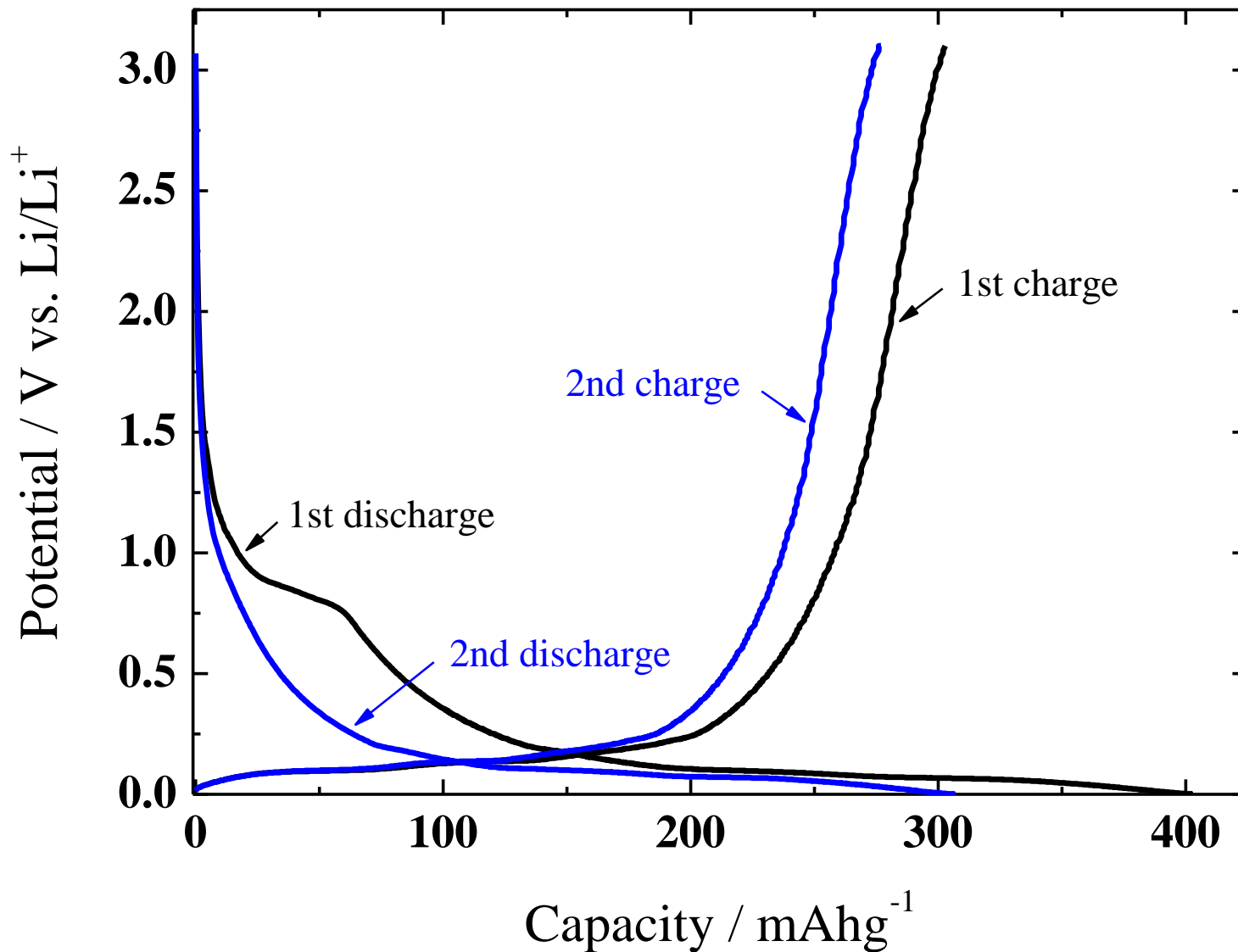
Intercalation of group 1 and 2 metals into B/C/N materials

	Li ⁺	Na ⁺	K ⁺	Mg ²⁺	Ca ²⁺
Ion diameter	180 pm [†]	232 pm [†]	304 pm [†]	172 pm [†]	228 pm [†]
BC ₂ N	1st stage ^{*1,2} $d_i = 370$ pm	1st stage^{*2} $d_i = 430$ pm	1st stage ^{*1,2} $d_i = 542$ pm	2nd stage^{*4} $d_i = 367$ pm	2nd stage $d_i = 430$ pm
BC ₆ N	1st stage ^{*3} $d_i = 365$ pm	—	—	—	—
Graphite	1st stage $d_i = 370$ pm	8th stage $d_i = 450$ pm	1st stage $d_i = 541$ pm	No intercalation	1st stage $d_i = 455$ pm

Already used for the Li ion batteries

Under investigation for the Na ion batteries

Hopefully Mg and Ca ion batteries in the future



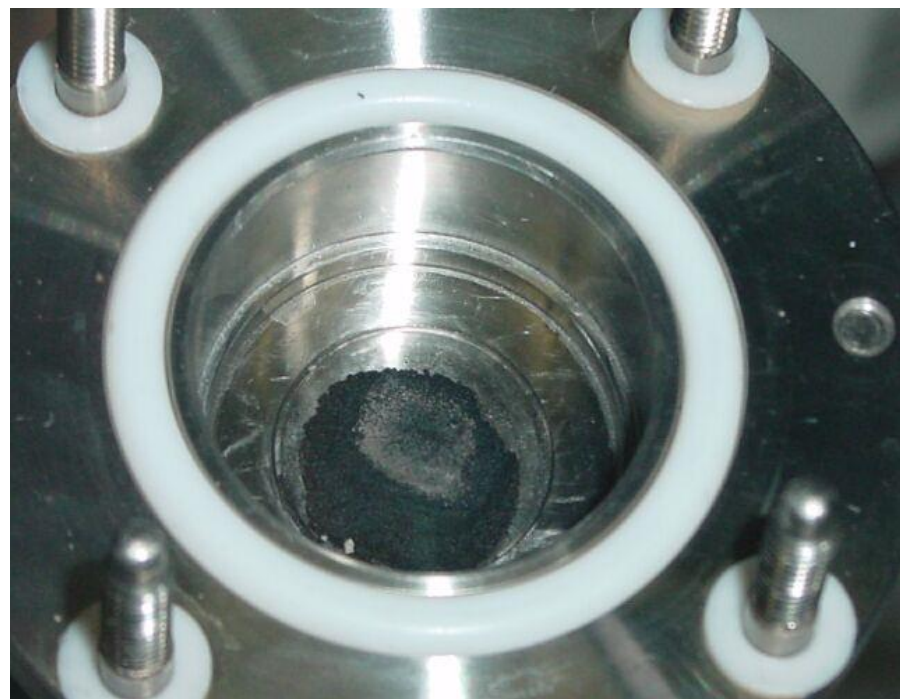
Galvanostatic charge/discharge curves of the BC₆N prepared at 1470K in 1M-LiPF₆/EC+DEC. Current density: 100μA/cm².

Ref: M. Kawaguchi, Y. Imai and N. Kadowaki, *J. Phys. Chem. Solids* **67**(2006) 1084-1090.

1st stage Li-intercalated compound



GIC: Li_xC_6



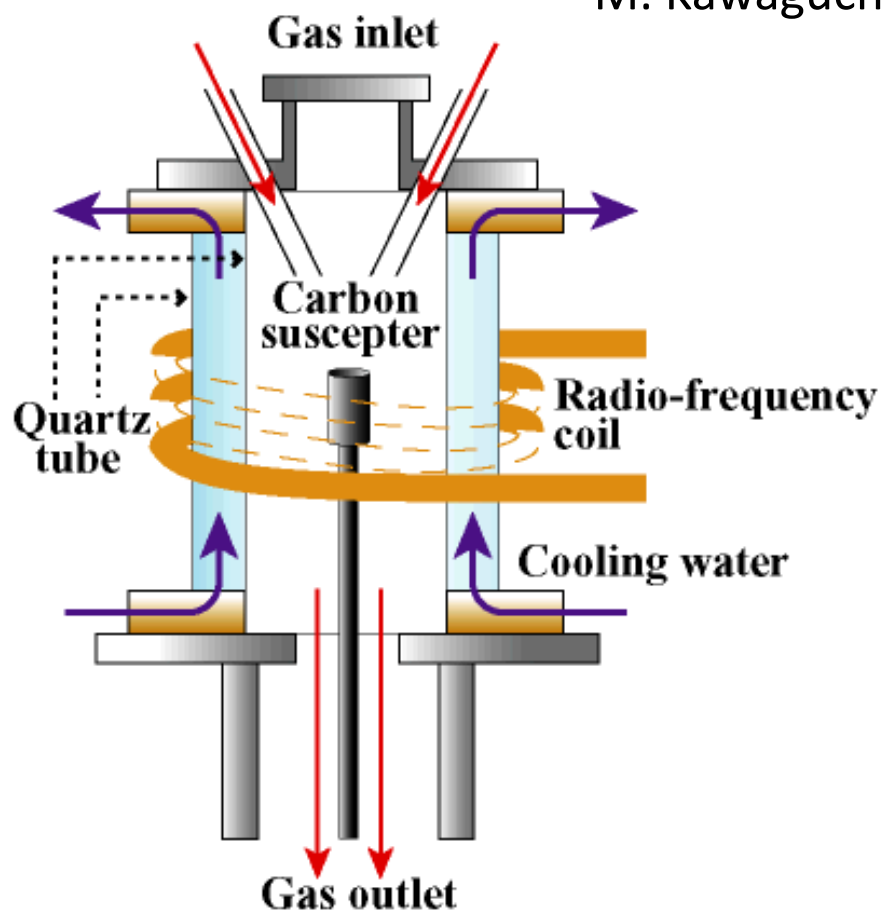
$\text{Li}_x\text{BC}_6\text{N}$

Preparation of BC₂N by CVD method



J. Kouvetakis *et al.*, *Synth. Met.* **34** (1989) 1-7.

M. Kawaguchi *et al.*, *J. Electrochem. Soc.* **157** (2010) 13-17.



Preparation condition

- Gas flow rate
 - CH₃CN (Acetonitrile)
40 ml/min
 - BCl₃ (Boron trichloride)
40 ml/min
- Reaction time
120 min
- Temperature
1470 K ~ 2070 K
- Pressure
760 mmHg

Intercalation of alkali metal into BC_2N

Two bulb method

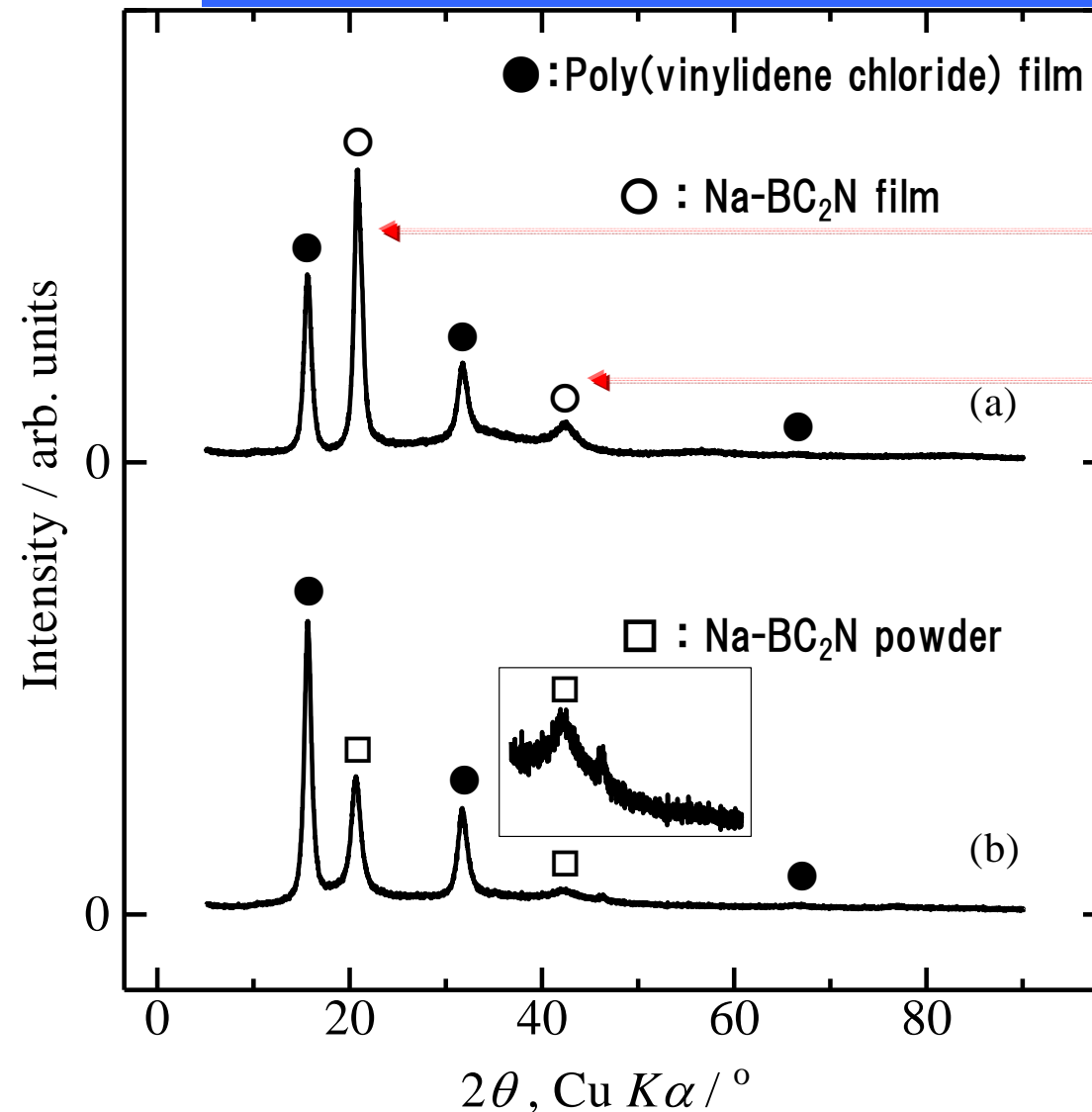


Before the intercalation



After the intercalation
Ex: 620 K for Na intercalation

Na-BC₂N prepared by vapor phase reaction



$d = 430 \text{ pm}$
(1st: 001)

$d = 215 \text{ pm}$
(1st: 002)

Ref: M. Kawaguchi, et al., *J. Electrochem. Soc.*, 157 (2010) P13-P17.

Na-GIC(8th stage)

Intercalated layer = 450 pm

Ref: R.C.Asher, *J.Inorg.Nucl. Chem.* 10 (1959) 238-249.

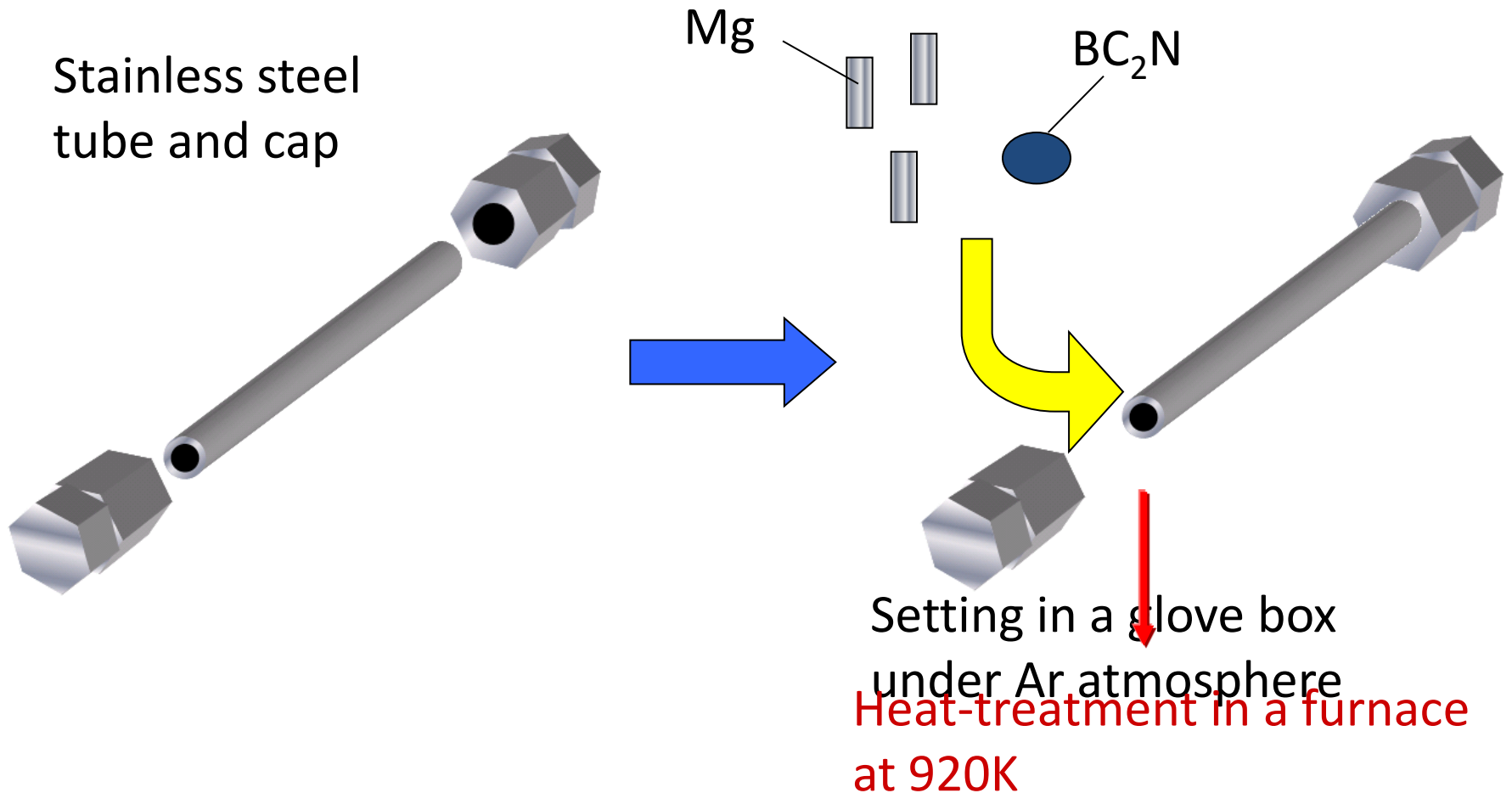
Interaction

Na-BC₂N > Na-GIC

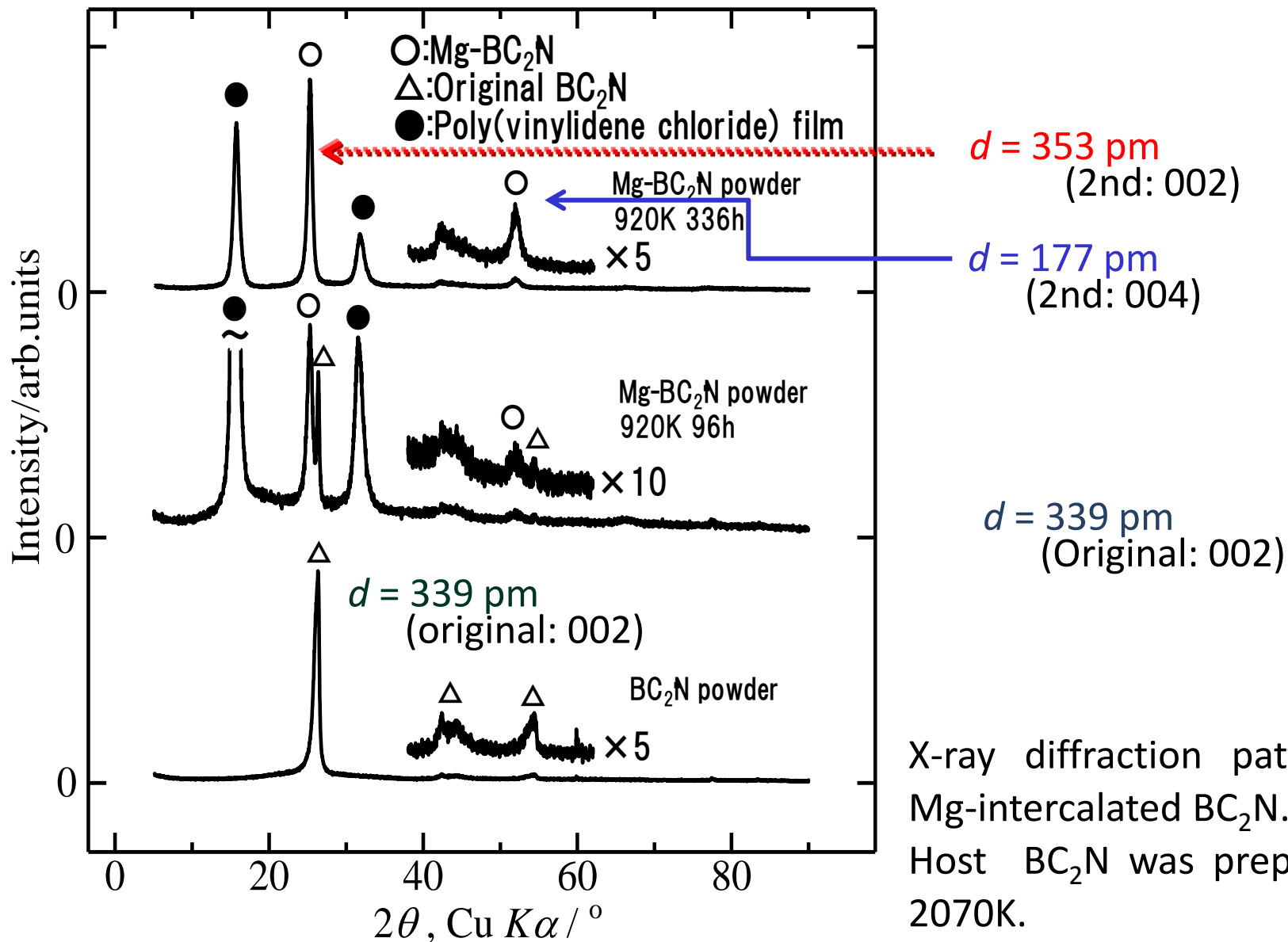
X-ray diffraction pattern of Na-intercalated BC₂N (Reaction temp.: 620K.
Host BC₂N was prepared at 2070K.

Intercalation of Mg into BC₂N

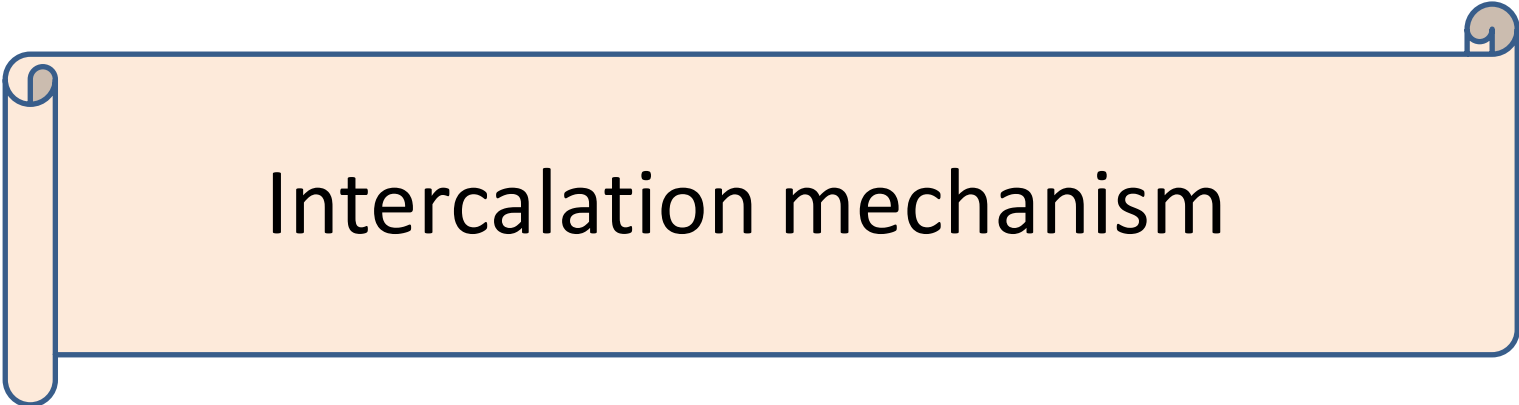
m.p. of Mg = 920K



Mg-BC₂N prepared by vapor phase reaction



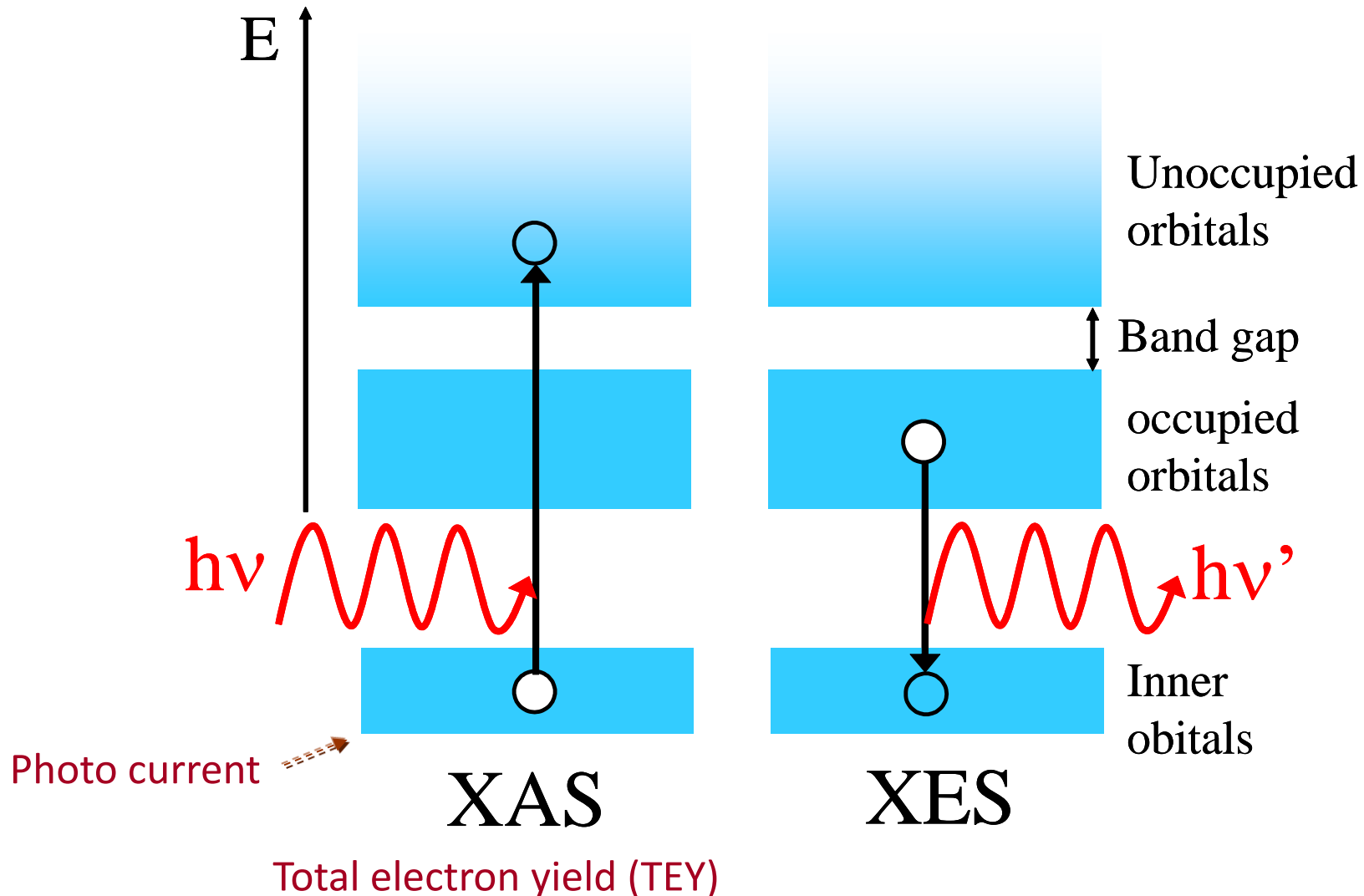
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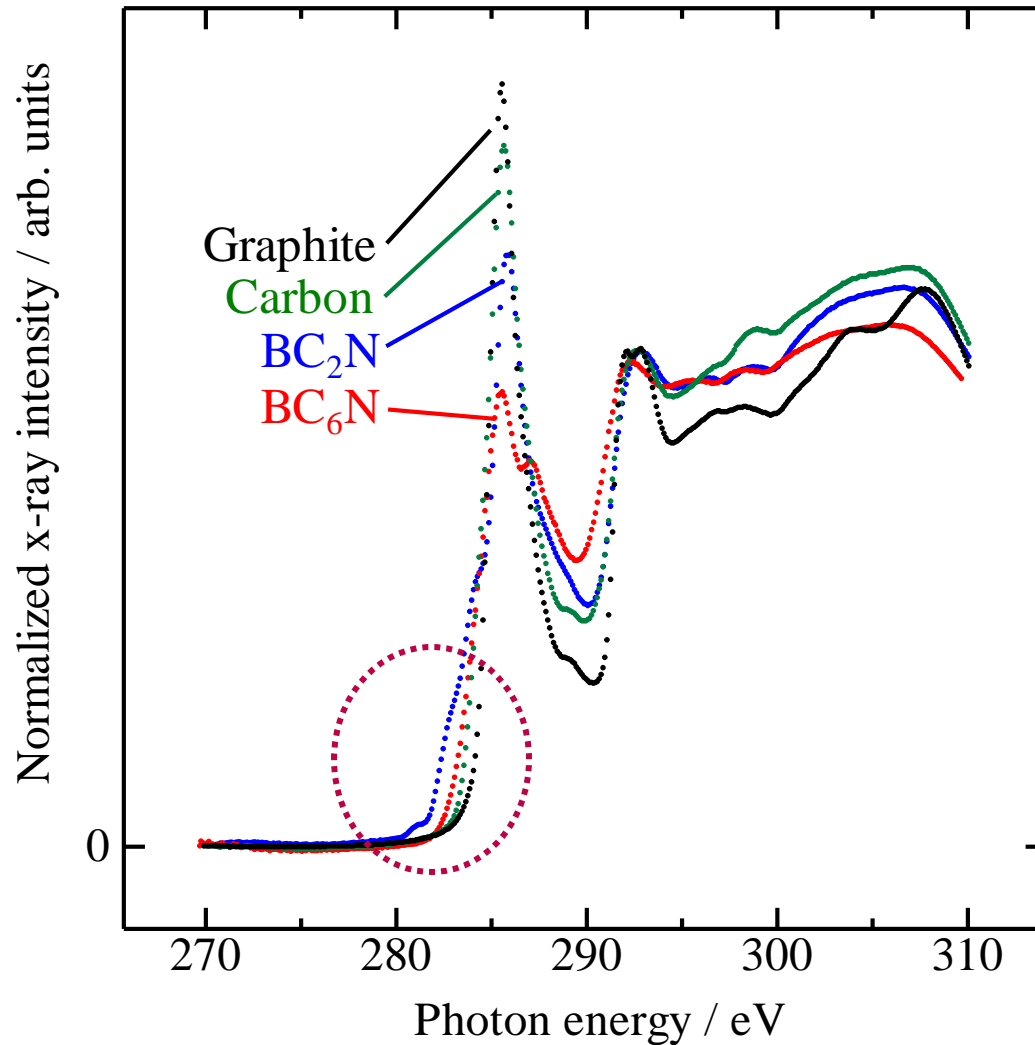
Intercalation mechanism

X-ray absorption (XAS) and emission spectroscopy (XES)

(Advanced Light Sources in LBL, California)

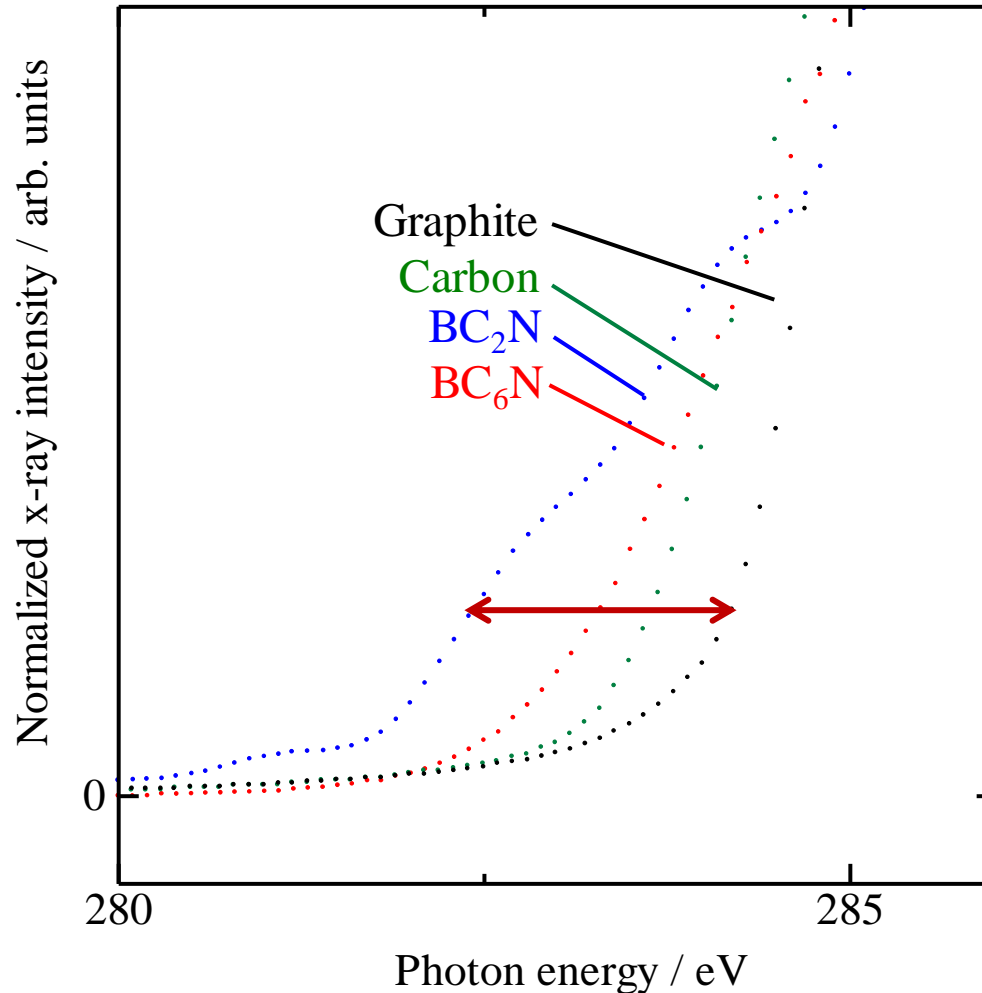


XAS spectra (CK region)



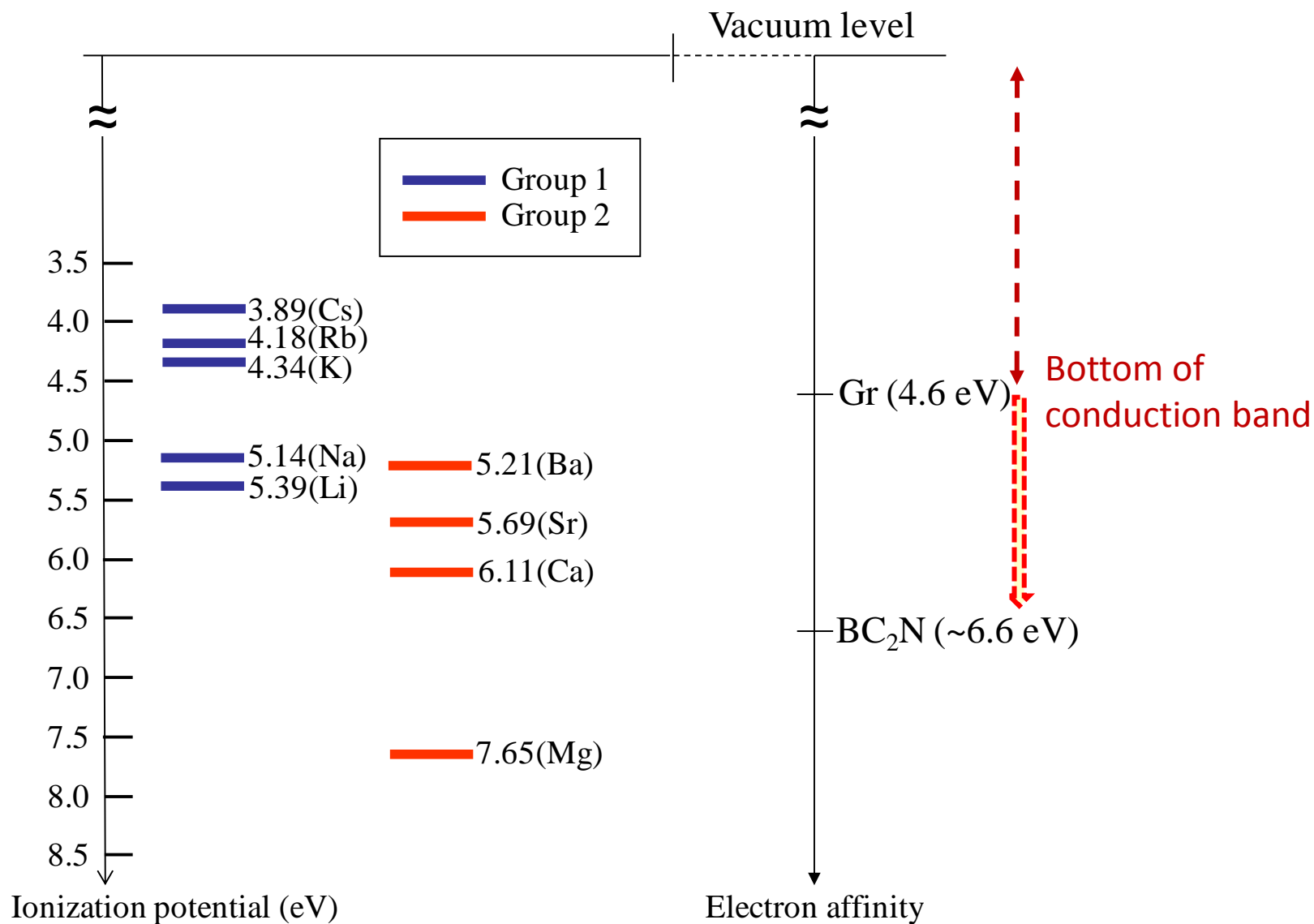
TEY X-ray absorption spectrum in the CK region of BC₂N film, compared with those of graphite, non-crystalline carbon and BC₆N. Incident angle:45°.

XAS spectra (Low energy part in CK region)



TEY X-ray absorption spectrum in the CK region of BC_2N film, compared with those of graphite, non-crystalline carbon and BC_6N . Incident angle: 45° .

Ionization potentials of metals and electron affinities of host materials



Born-Haber Cycle

$$\Delta H_f = S + \frac{1}{2} D + \boxed{IE - EA} + \boxed{U}$$

ΔH_f : Formation Enthalpy

S : Heats of Sublimation

D : Dissociation Energy

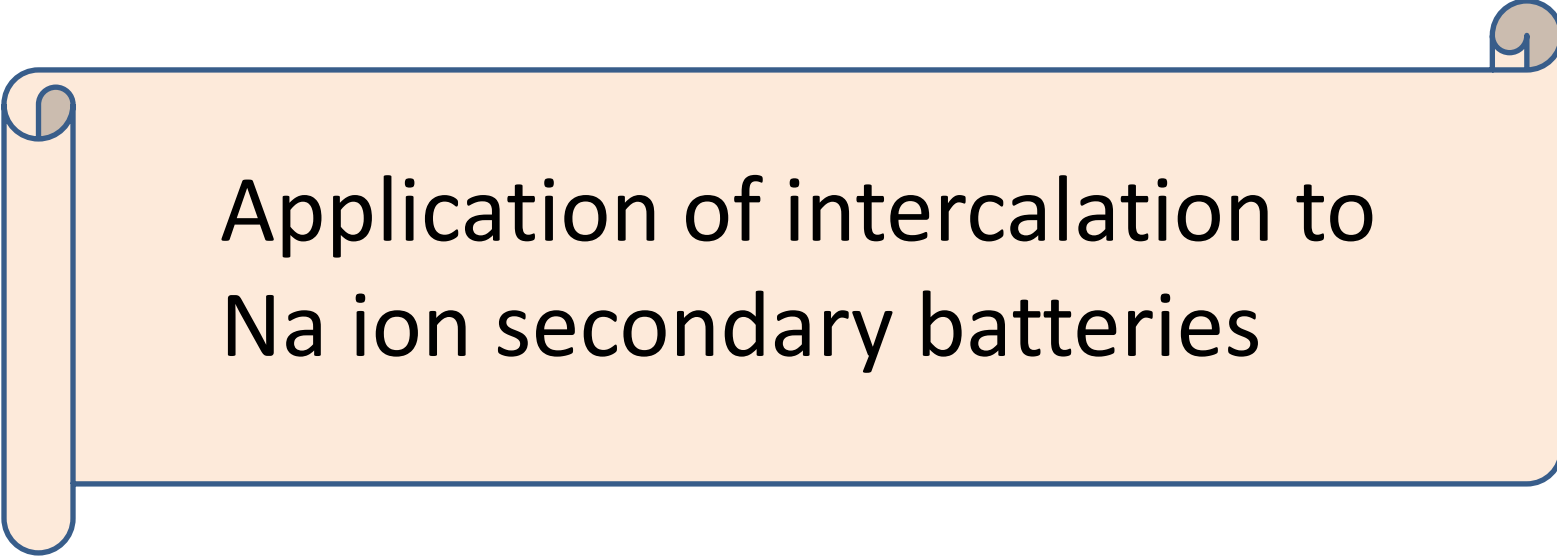
IE : Ionization Potential

EA : Electron Affinity

U : Lattice Energy

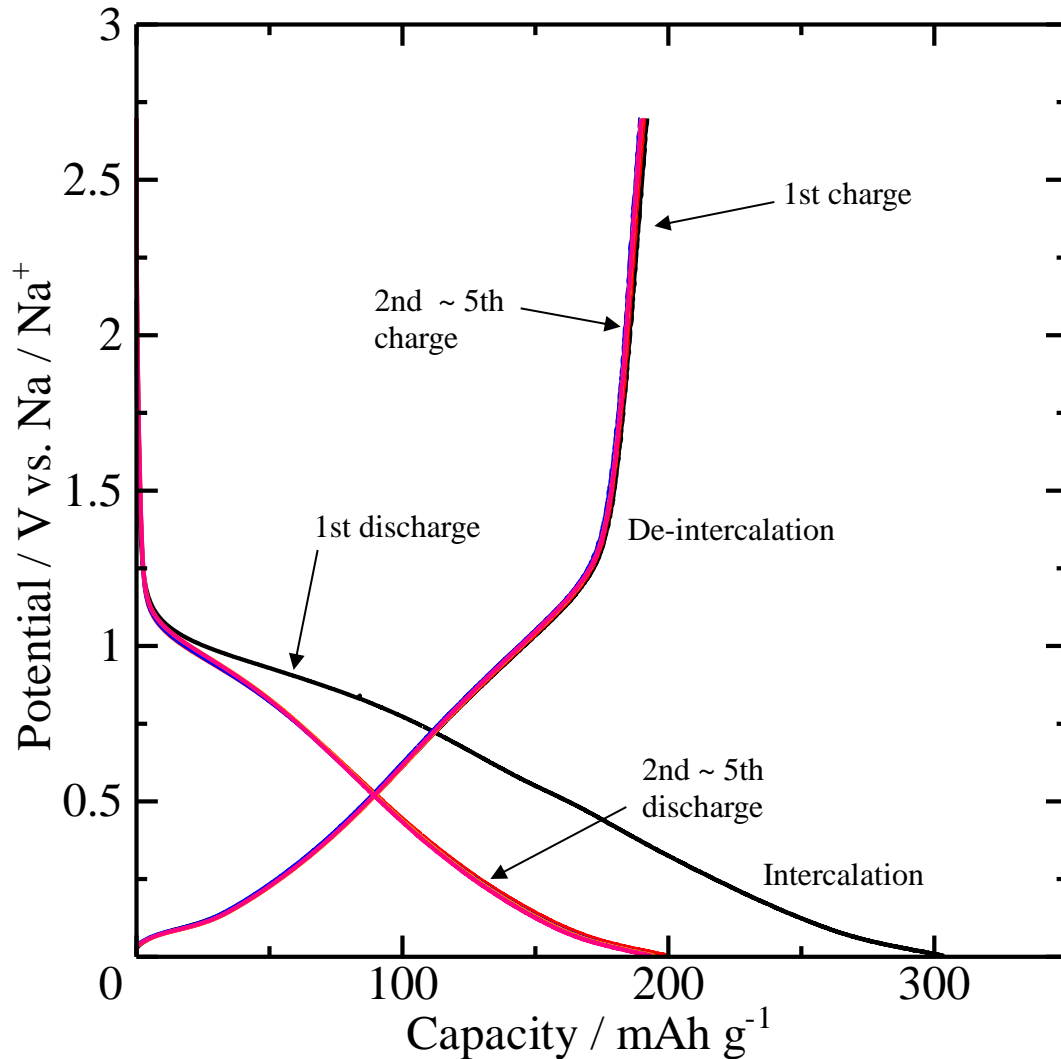
Mg^{2+}

$$\boxed{U} = - \frac{N_A M z_+ z_- e^2}{4 \pi \epsilon_0 r_0} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n} \right)$$



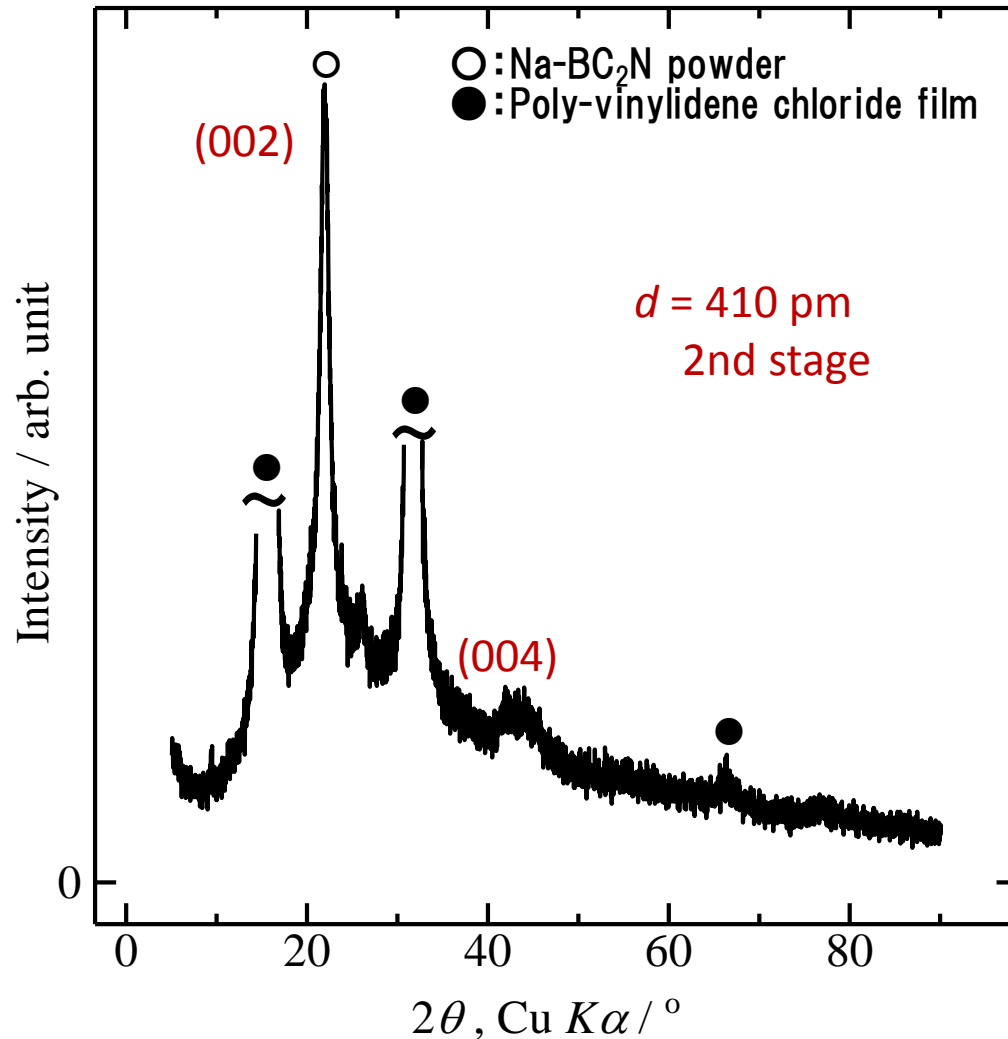
Application of intercalation to
Na ion secondary batteries

Electrochemical intercalation of Na into BC₂N



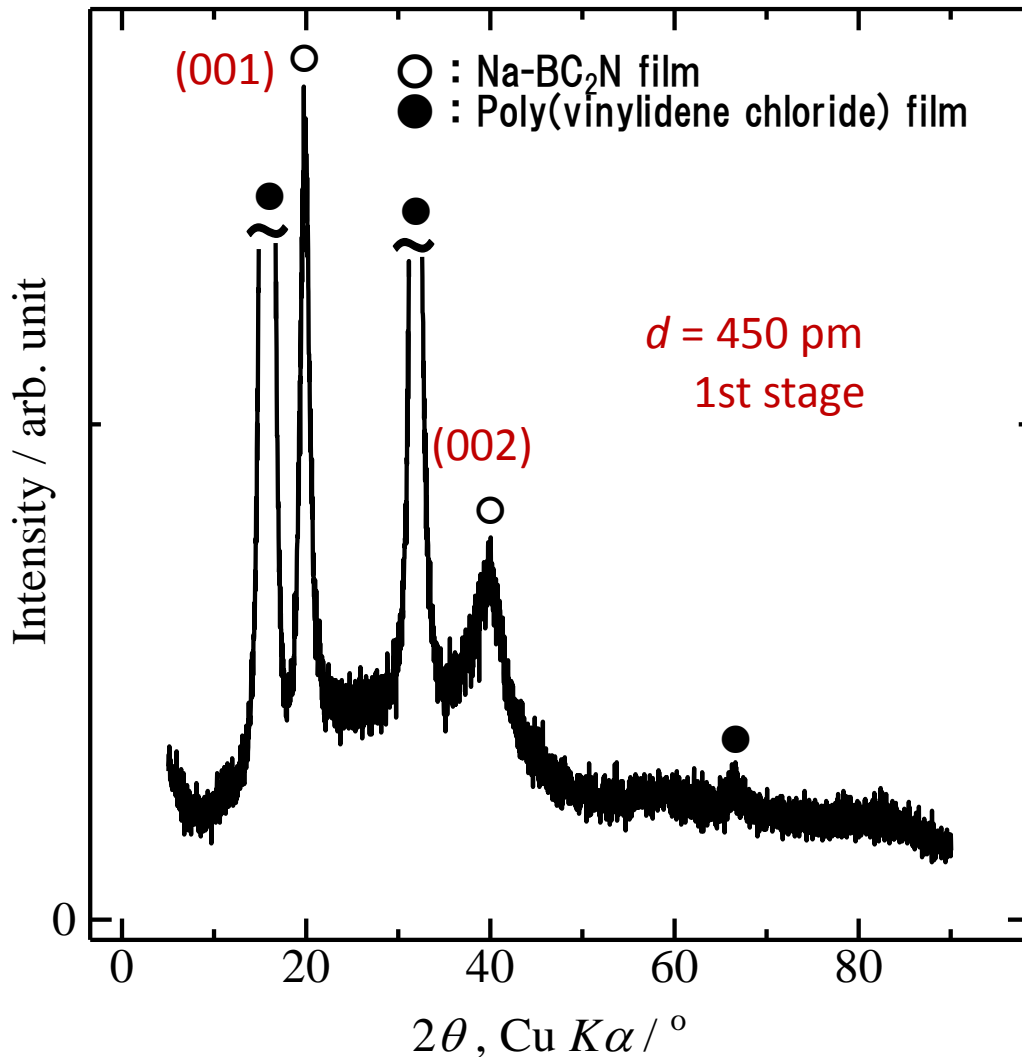
Discharge/charge curves of Na_xBC₂N by galvanostatic method in 1M-NaPF₆/EC+DEC. Current density: 100 μA/cm². WE: BC₂N prepared at 1770K.

Na-BC₂N powder prepared by CCCV method



Na-BC₂N (0.7V vs. Na/Na⁺) by CCCV method
in NaPF₆/EC+DEC. WE: BC₂N prepared at 1770K.

Na-BC₂N film prepared by CCCV method



Low stage structure

Advantage ?



Graphite: Higher stage

Carbon: No stage structure

Na-BC₂N (full discharge: 0.003V vs. Na/Na⁺ in NaPF₆/EC+DEC. WE: BC₂N prepared at 1770K.

Carbon Alloy (CA) ORR Catalysts (CAOC)

Discovered and named by the Gunma Univ. Carbon Laboratory

Introduction of

Heteroatoms

Structural defects

Porosity

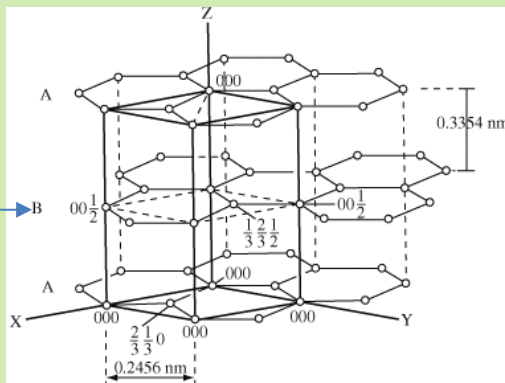
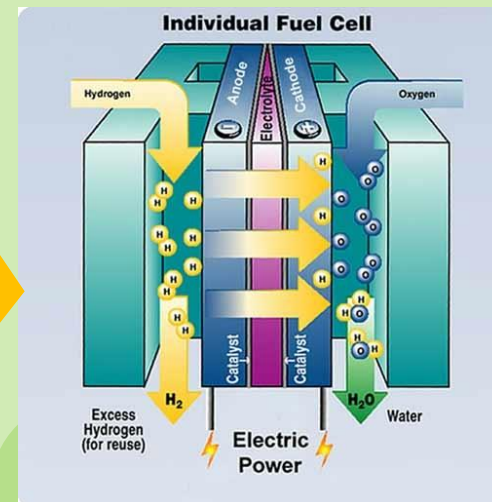


Figure 1. Representation of an ideal lattice of a graphite.

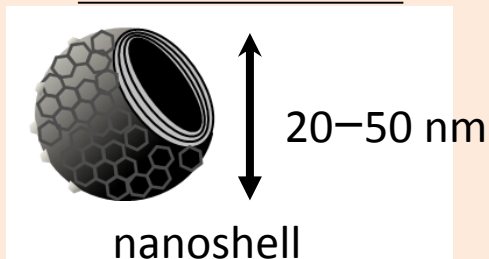
sp^2 dominant carbons



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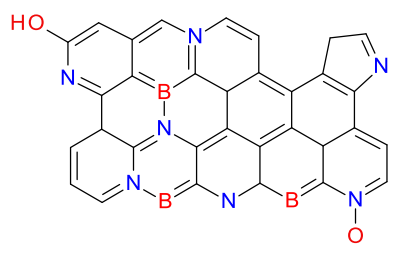
Two types of CAs by GUCL

Nanoshell structure



Surface defects are important
N. Kannari et al. Carbon 50, 2941(2012)

BN-doping

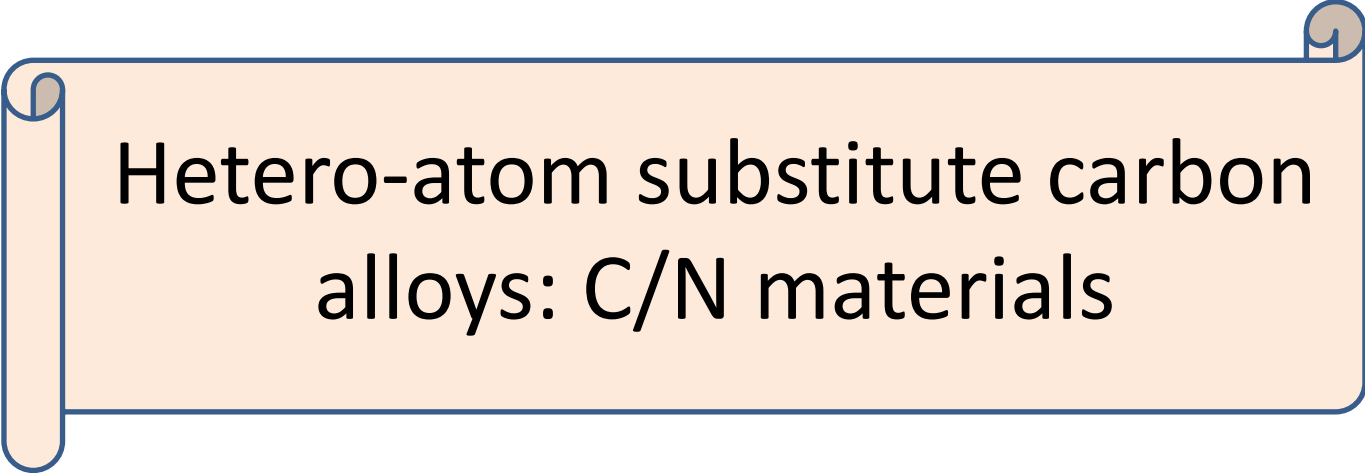


B-N-C moiety is important
J. Ozaki et al. Carbon 45, 1847(2012)

Costdown



<http://autoc-one.jp/motorshow/tokyo/2013/toyota/1553554/photo/0002.html>



Hetero-atom substitute carbon
alloys: C/N materials

Preparation methods for C/N materials

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*T. Nakajima *et al.*, *Carbon* 35 (1997) 203.

**M. Kawaguchi *et al.*, *Carbon* 42 (2004) 345.

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**M. Kawaguchi *et al.*, *Chem. Lett.* (1997) 1003-1004.

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Template method → C_xN

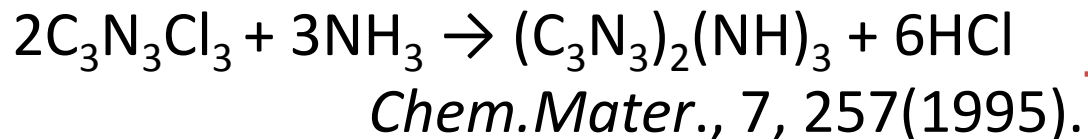
G. Lota *et al.*, *Chem. Phys. Lett.* 404 (2005) 53.

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C/N materials prepared by the present authors

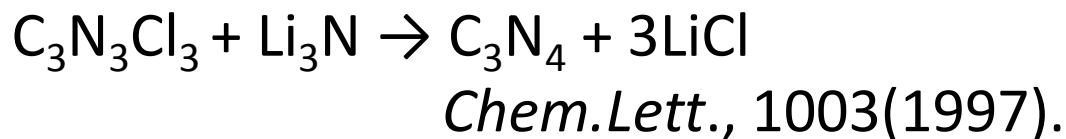
Layered material

Yellow



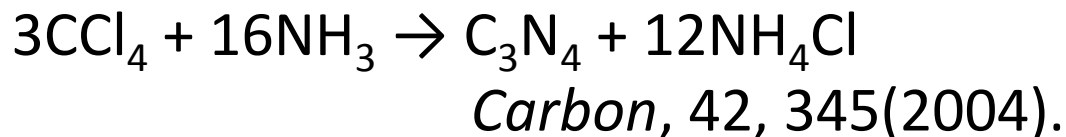
Photoluminescence
Host material

C_3N_4 type: sp^3 hybridized



White

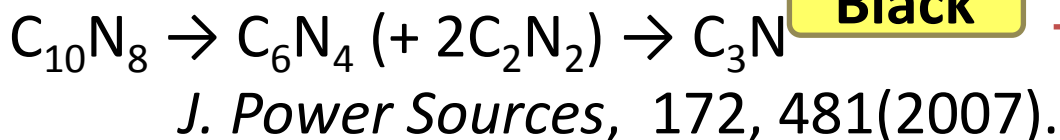
CVD



Hardness
Photoluminescence

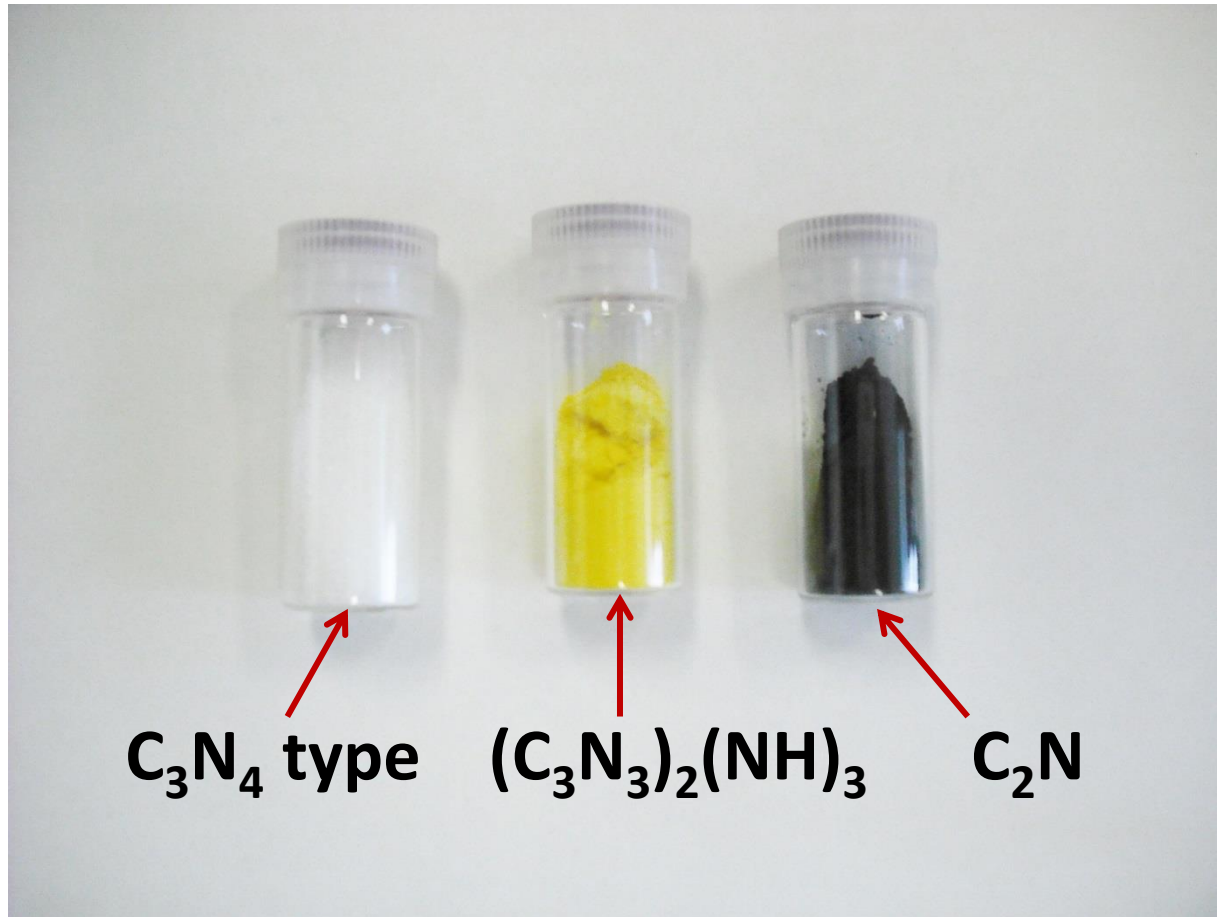
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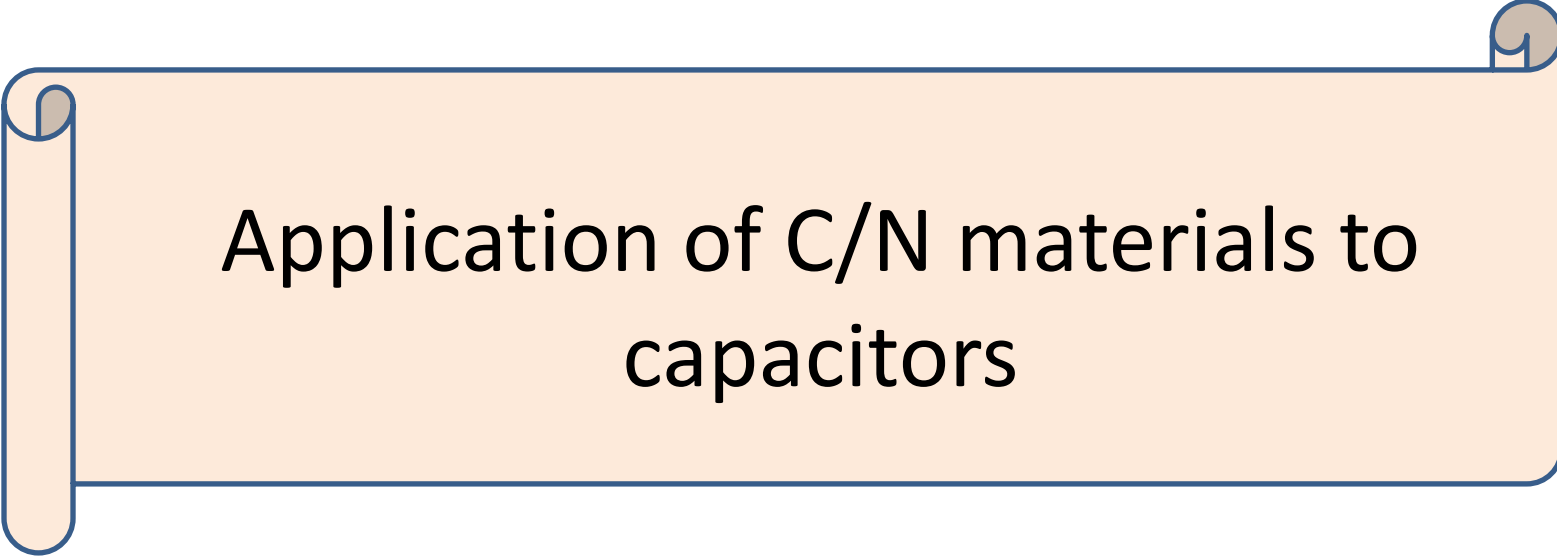
Black



Electrochemical
capacitor
Photo catalyst

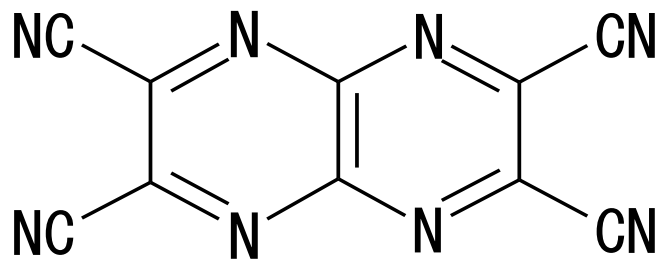
Color of C/N materials



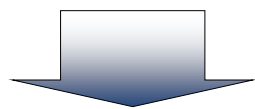


Application of C/N materials to capacitors

Preparation and application of C/N materials



CAN: 2,3,6,7-tetracyano 1,4,5,8-tetraazanaphthalene

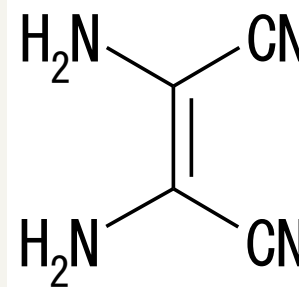


HT at 1070K

Composition: **C₃N**

Kawaguchi M, et al.,

J. Power Sources 2007; **172**:481-486.



AMN: diaminomaleonitrile



HT at 1020K

Composition: **C₂N**

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J. Electrochem. Soc. 2010; **157**:A35-A40.

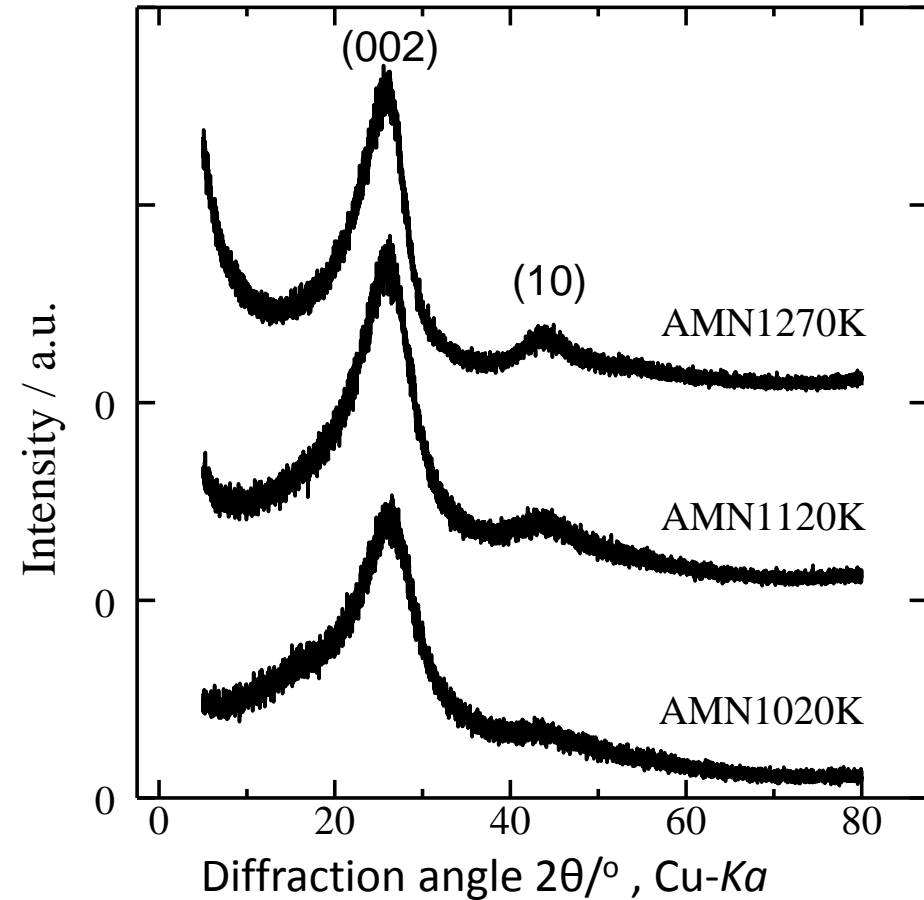
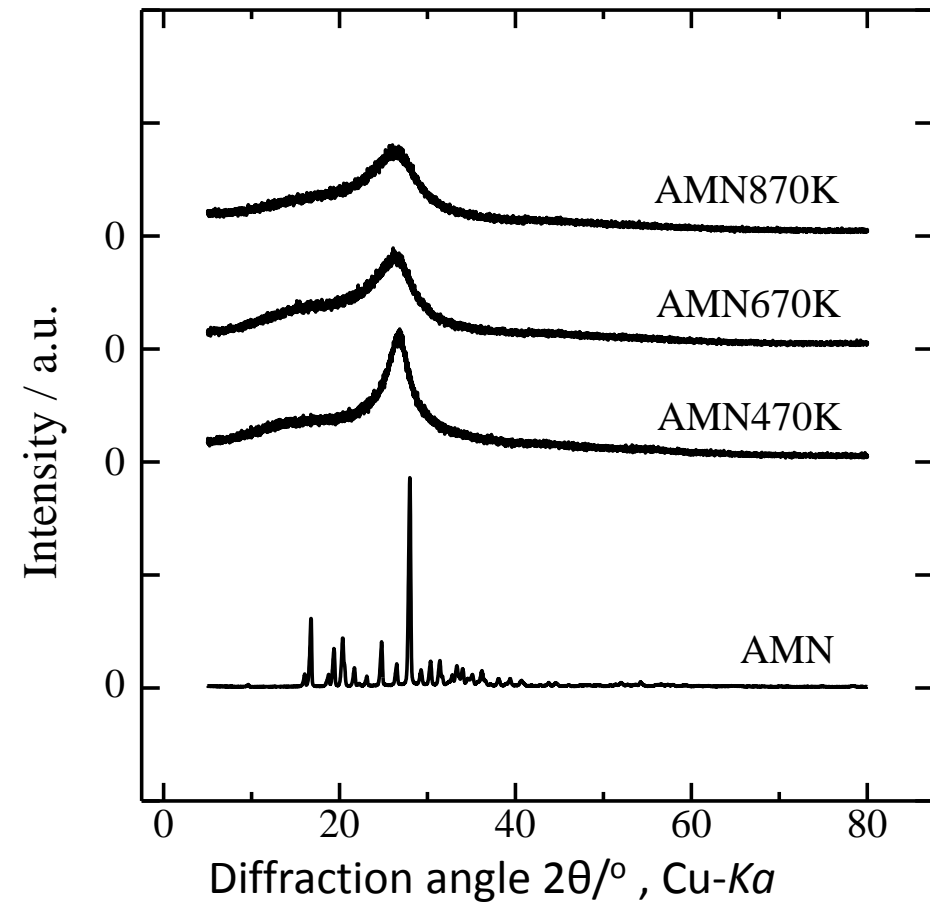
Application

Capacitors

Adsorbents

Photo catalysts

Structure of C/N material



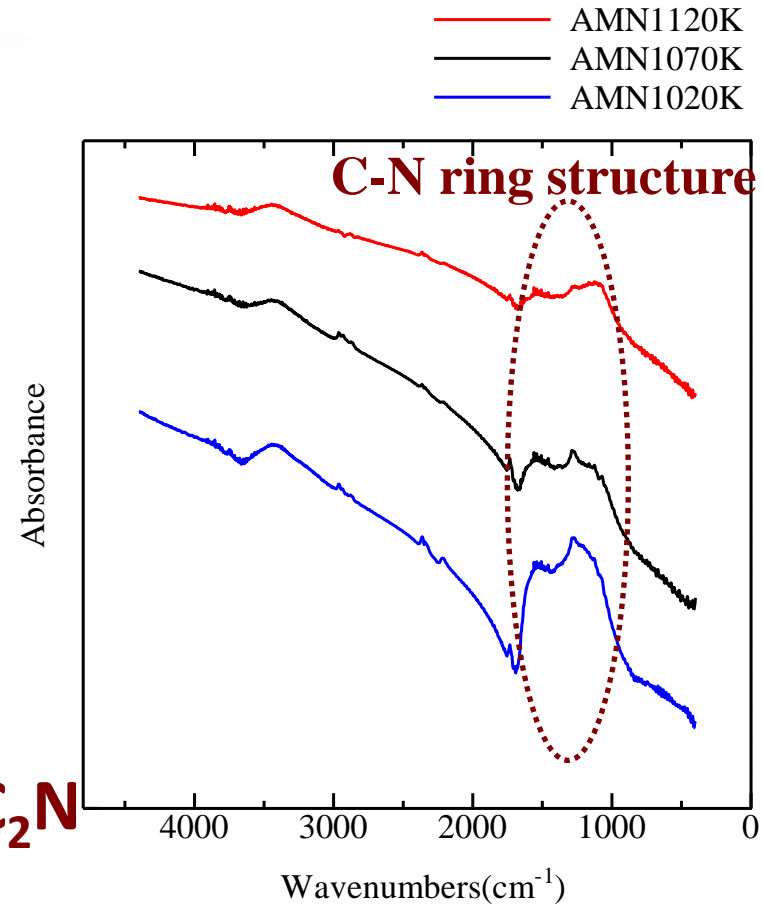
XRD patterns of C/N materials prepared by the pyrolysis of AMN at the temperature between 470K and 1270K.

Compositions of C/N material

Compositions of C/N materials prepared by the pyrolysis of AMN at various temperatures.

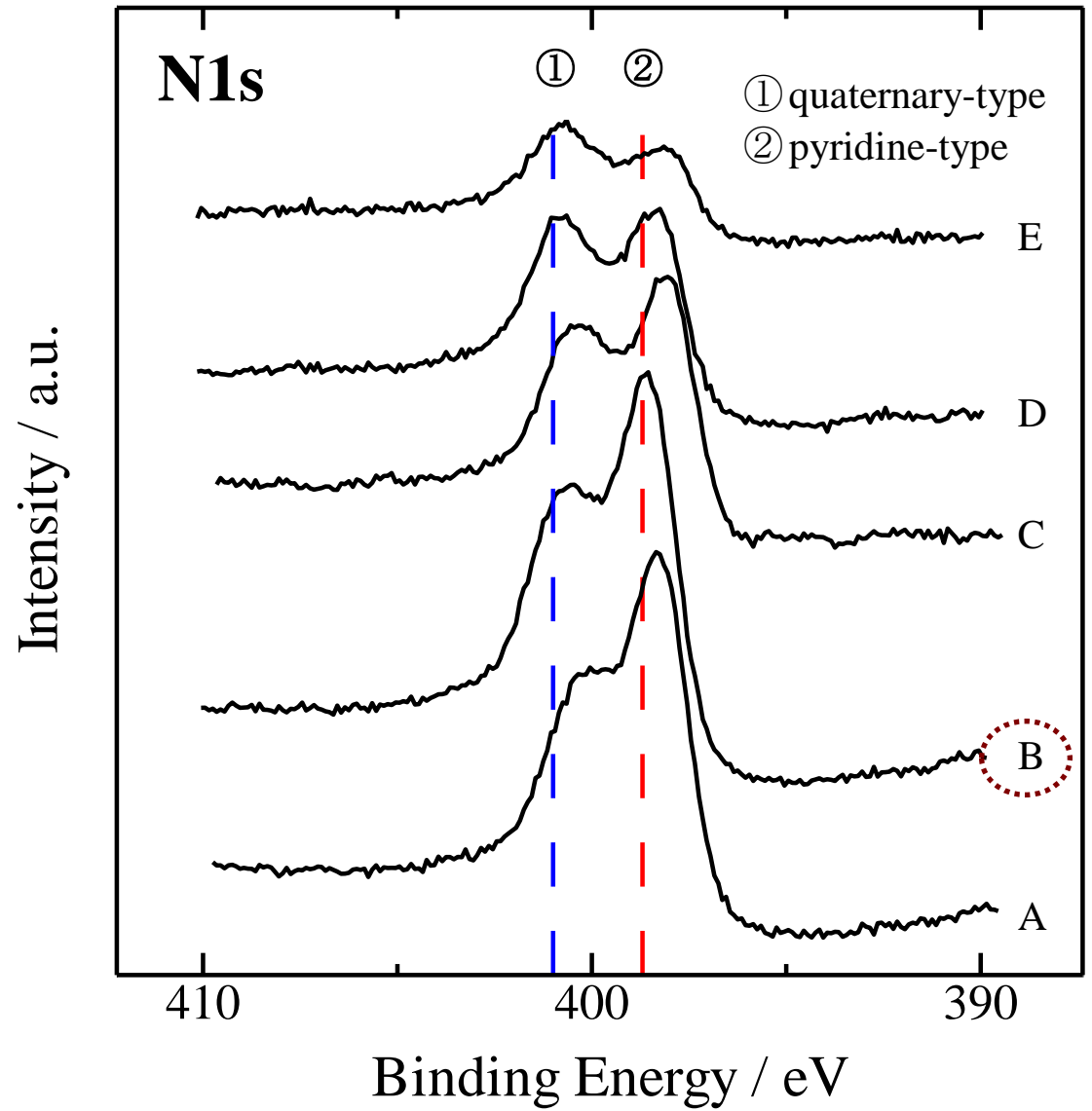
	C	N
AMN1120K	4.0	1.3
AMN1070K	4.0	1.7
AMN1020K	4.0	2.0
AMN	4.0	4.0

→ **C₂N**



FTIR spectra of C/N material

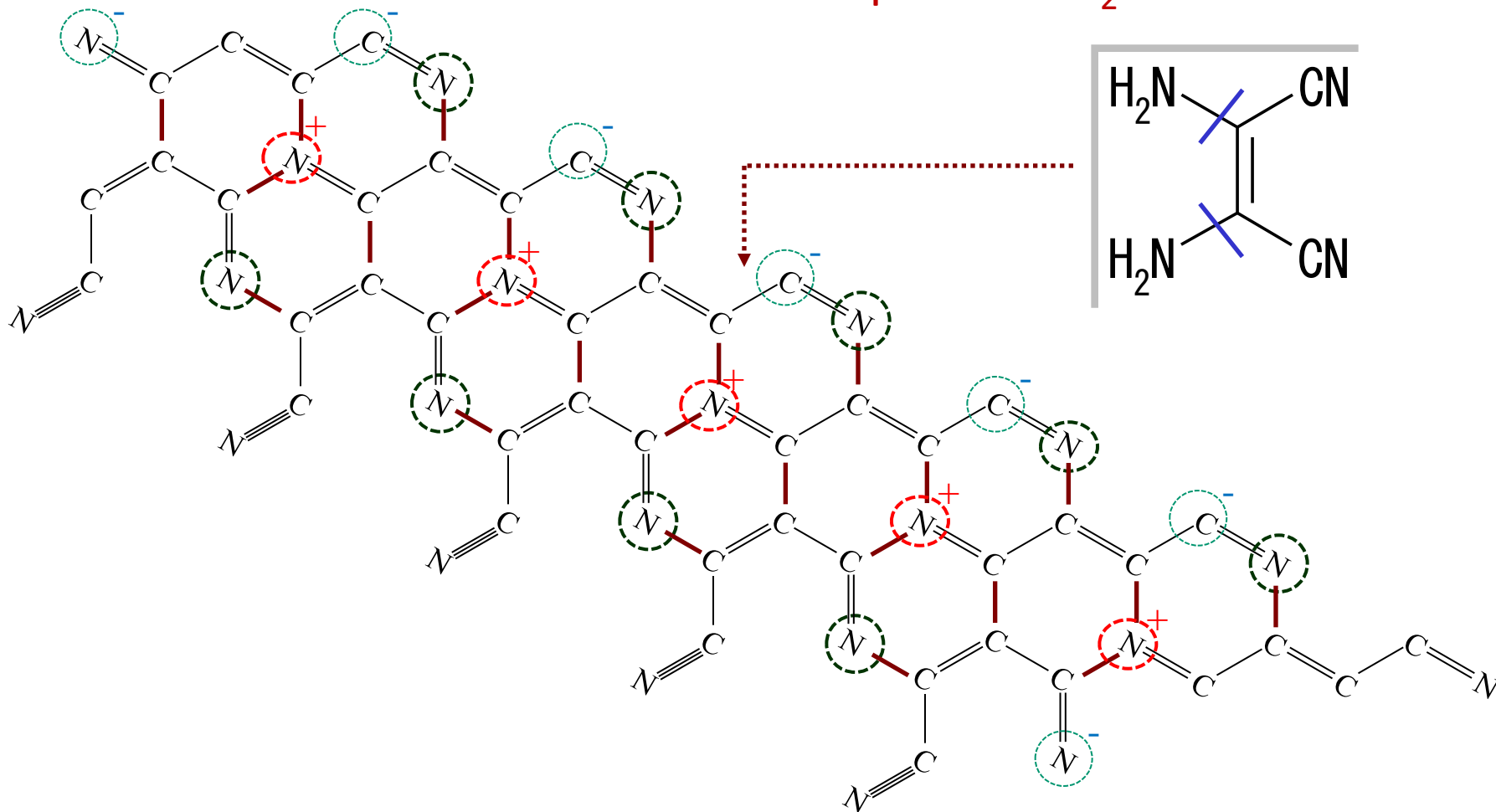
Chemical bonds in C/N material



ESCA N1s spectra of C/N materials prepared from AMN at (A) 970K, (B) 1020K, (C) 1070K, (D) 1120K, and (E) 1170K.

C/N material prepared from AMN

Heat-treatment at 1020K → Composition: C_2N



Comparison of CV curves

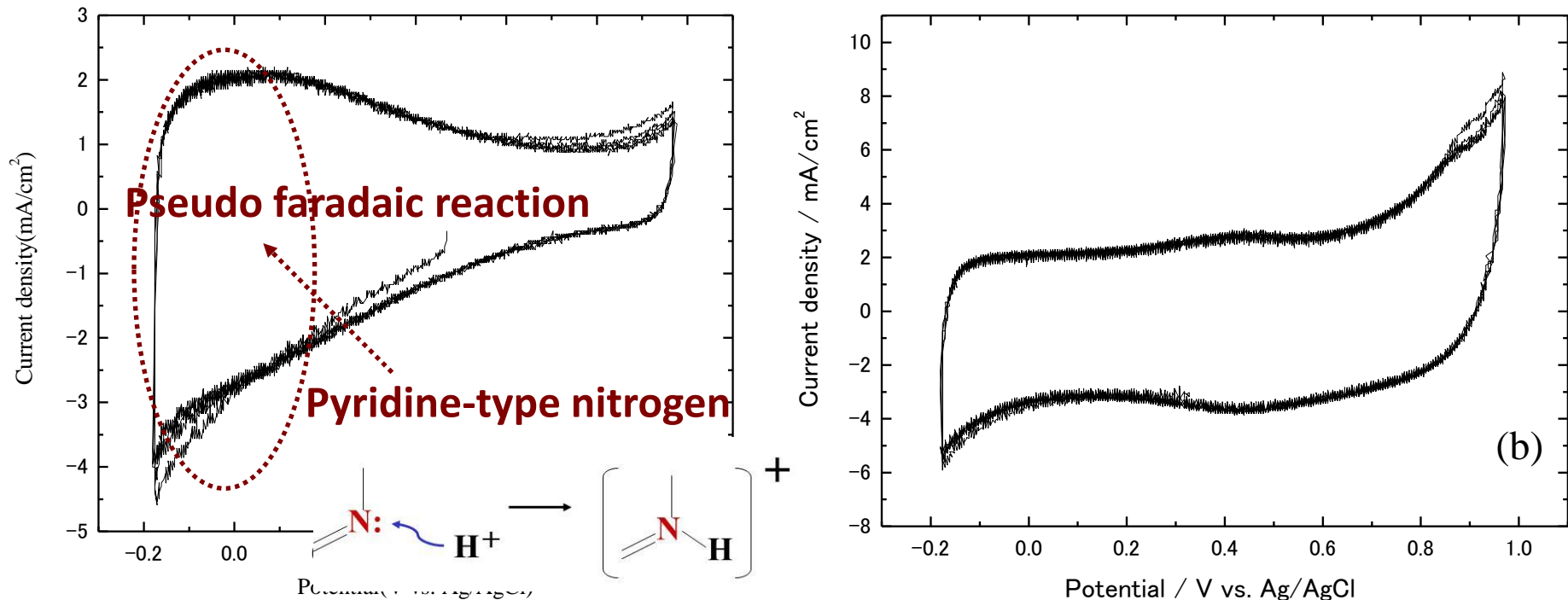


Figure Cyclic voltammograms for (a) C/N material prepared by the pyrolysis of AMN at 1020K (BET:230 m²/g) and (b) activated carbon (BET:2300 m²/g). 1M-H₂SO₄ aqueous solution. Scan speed:1mV/sec. Three electrode cell.

Comparison of capacitive performances

	AC	C ₃ N	C ₂ N
Gravimetric capacity (F/g)	180	160	200
Specific surface area (m²/g)	2300	880	230
Capacity per unit surface area (F/m²)	<u>7.83 × 10⁻²</u>	18.2 × 10 ⁻²	91.3 × 10 ⁻²
Apparent density (g/cm³)	0.34	0.68	0.65
Volumetric capacity (F/cm³)	<u>61</u>	110	130

AC: activated carbon

CAN1070K: C/N material prepared from CAN (2,3,6,7-tetracyano 1,4,5,8-tetraazanaphthalene)

AMN1020K: C/N material prepared from AMN (diaminomaleonitrile)

Water adsorption

Another important role of nitrogen

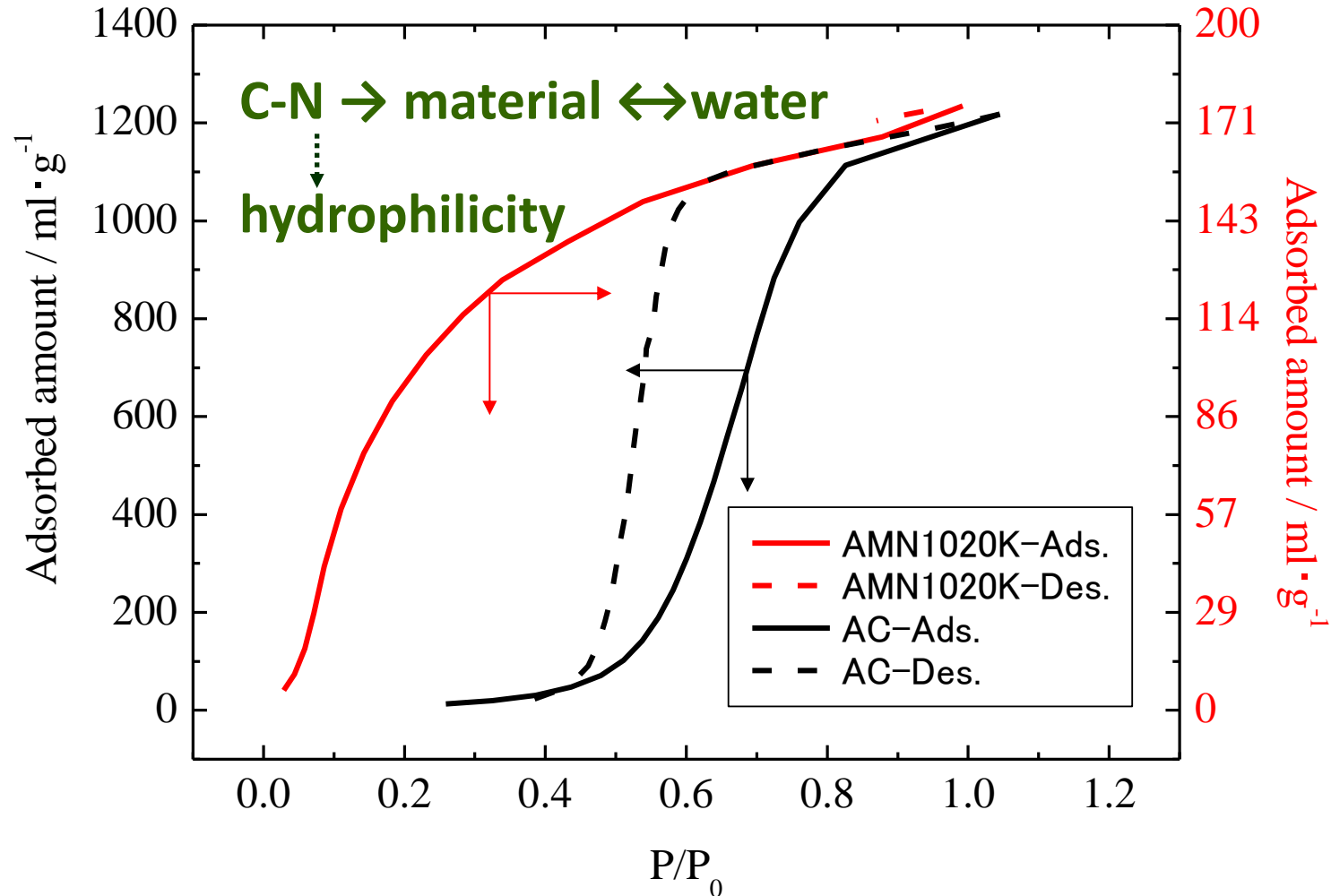


Figure Water adsorption isotherm (290K) of C/N material prepared by the pyrolysis of AMN at 1020K, compared with that of activated carbon.

Role of nitrogen in C/N material

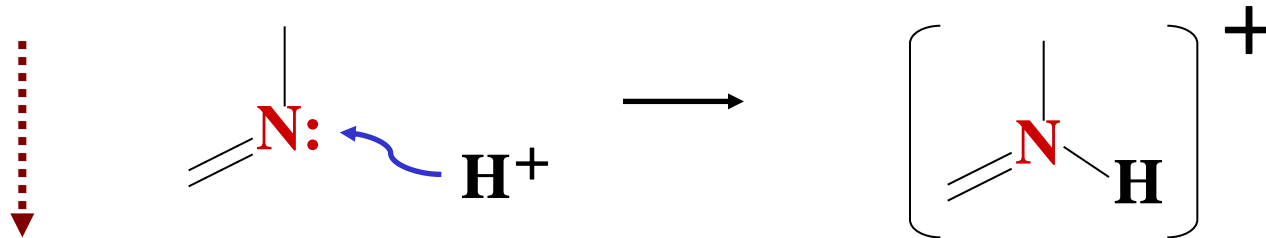
1) Increase in hydrophilicity by introduction of nitrogen



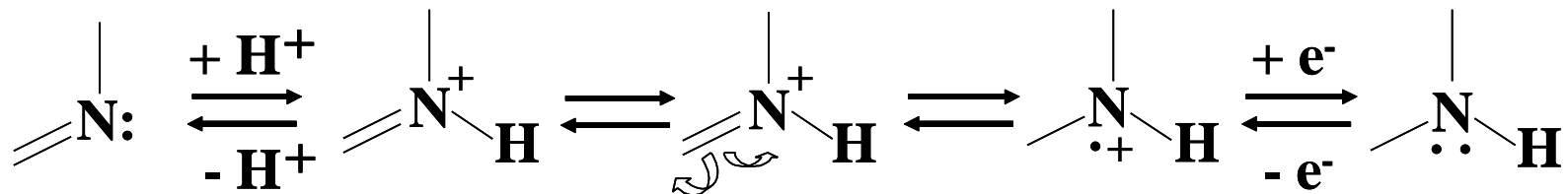
Supply of ions into micro pores

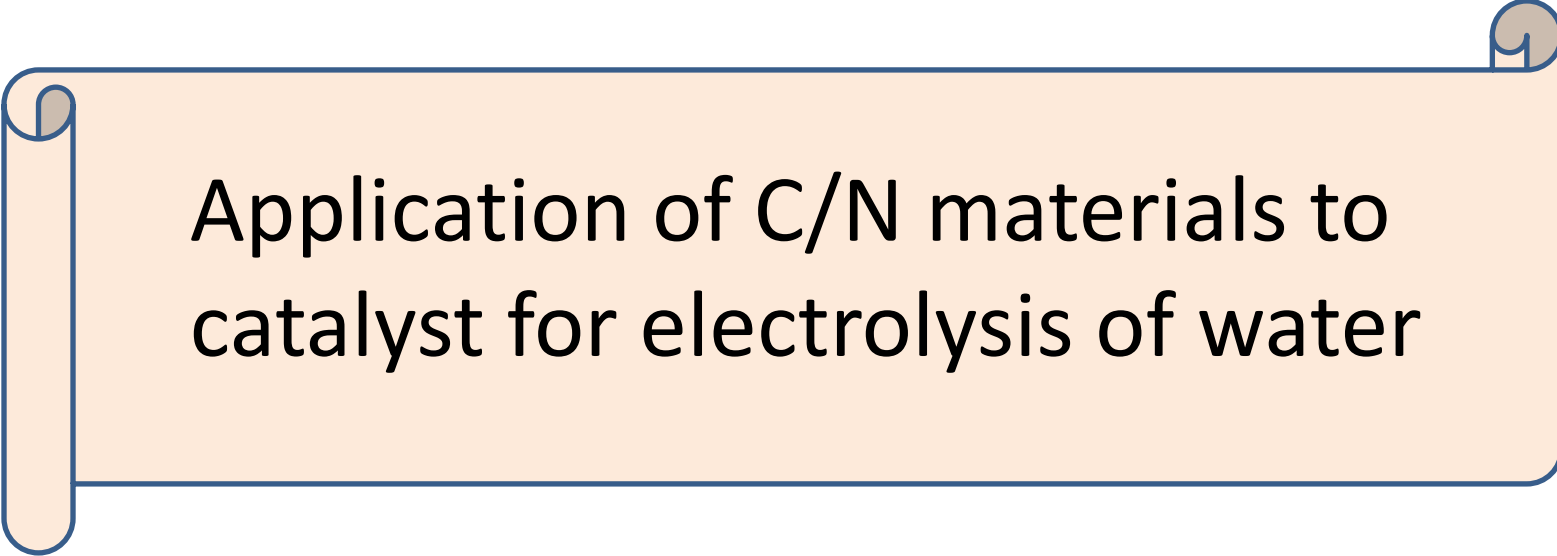
and

2) Interaction of pyridine-type nitrogen with protons



Addition of pseudo capacitance





Application of C/N materials to
catalyst for electrolysis of water

Photo catalysts for H₂ production from water

- Metal oxides and nitrides: Maeda K., et al., J. Am. Chem. Soc., 2005; **127**,8286-8287.

 A lot of researches

- C₃N₄ type: Wang X, et al., Nat. Mater., 2009; **8**:76-80.

 Not so many researches

3 wt % Pt was deposited on C₃N₄ for the supporting catalyst.

Apparatus for measurement of photo catalytic behavior

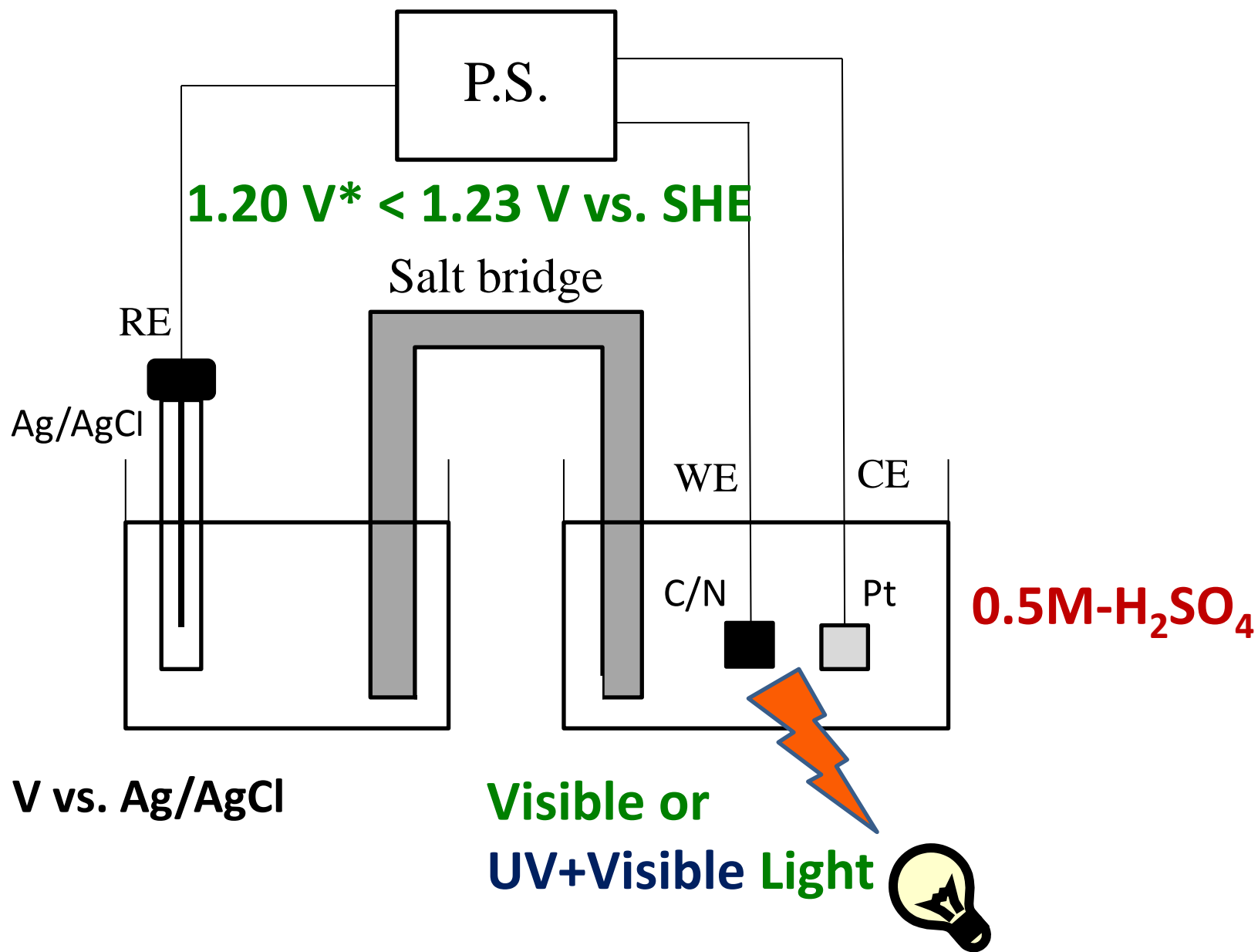


Photo Catalytic behavior of C₂N

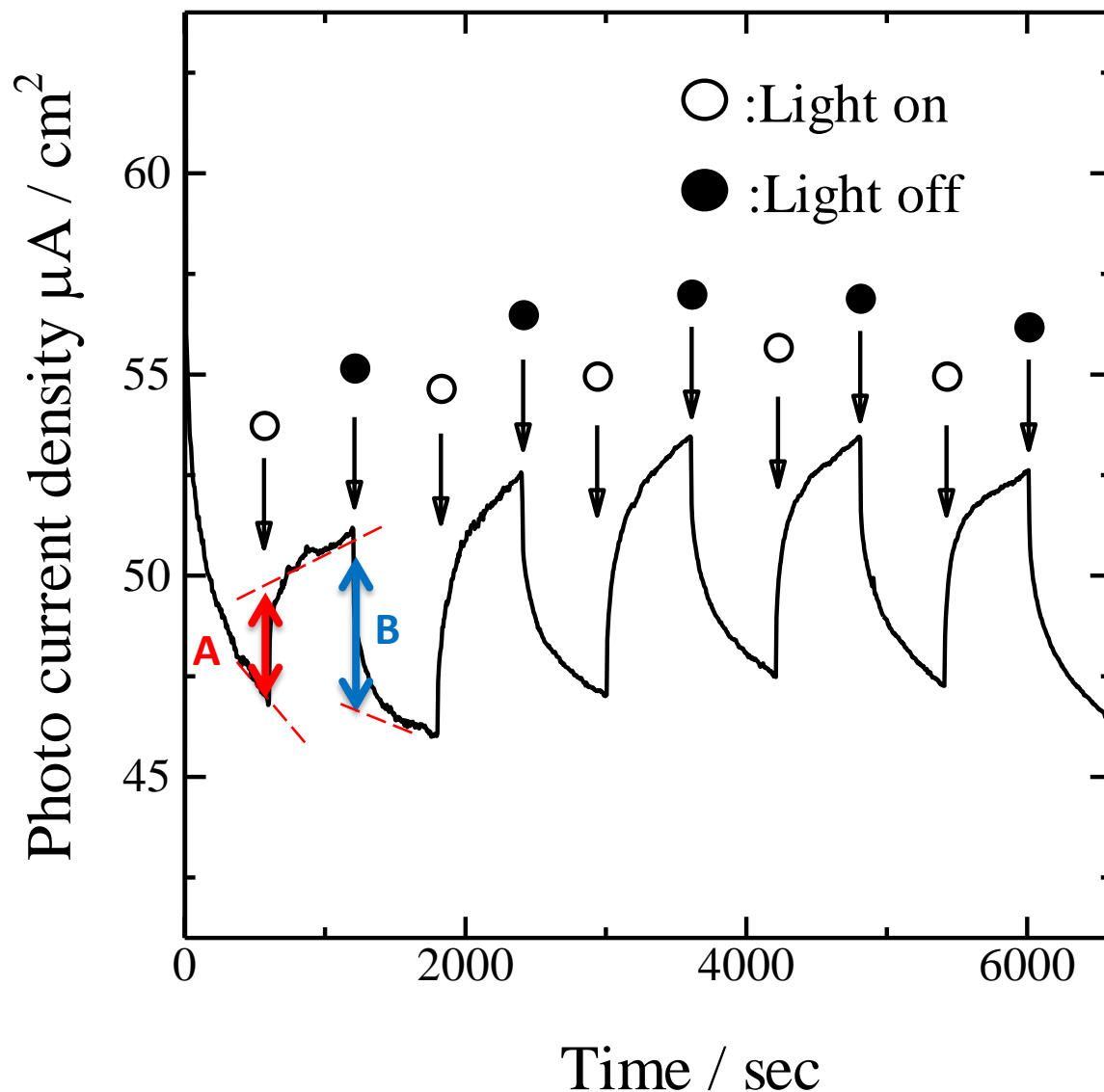
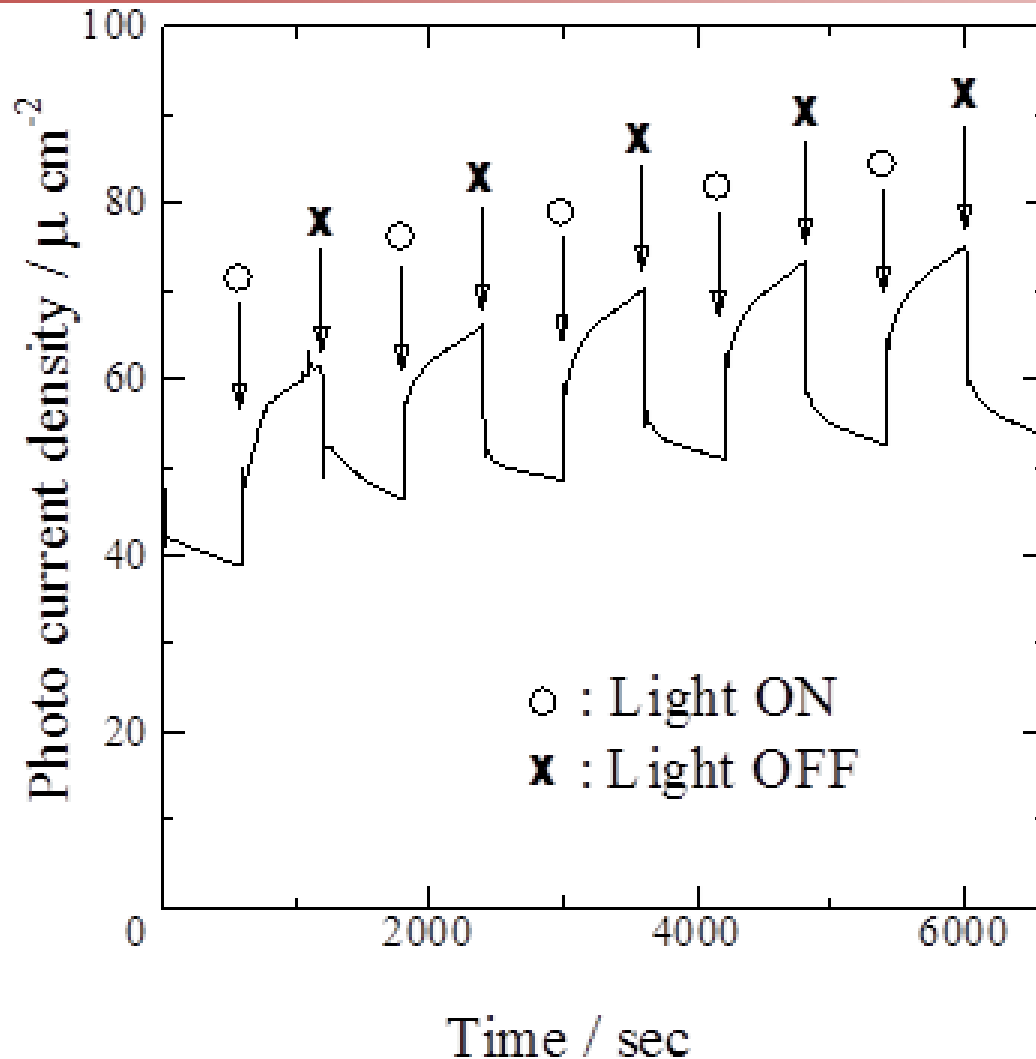


Photo current:

$$= \frac{A + B}{2}$$

Change in photocurrent for C₂N prepared from AMN in 1.0 M H₂SO₄.
The electrode was intermittently irradiated by **visible light**.

Photo Catalytic behavior of C_3N



Change in photocurrent for C_3N prepared from CAN in 1.0 M H_2SO_4 . The electrode was intermittently irradiated by **visible light**.

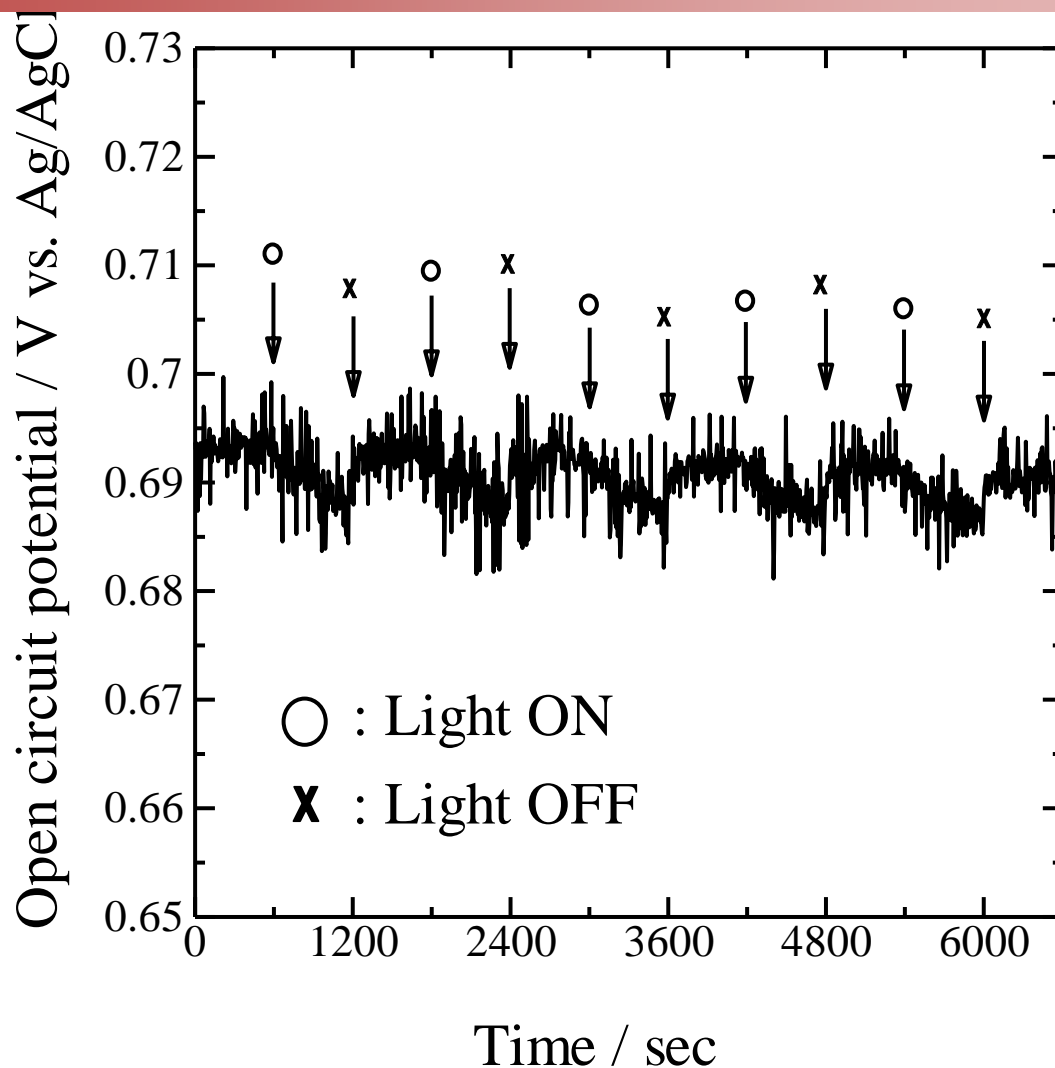
Comparison of photo catalytic current

Sample	Photo current density $\mu\text{A}/\text{cm}^2$	
	Visible light	UV-Visible light
TiO_2 (1200K)*	1.00	1.20
TiO_2 (870K)**	4.50×10^{-1}	2.73×10^2
TiO_2 (ST-01: powder)	1.35	2.78
C_2N (AMN1020K)	9.87	1.33×10
(AMN470K)	2.36	2.10
C_3N (CAN1070K)	1.28×10	1.55×10
(CAN670K)	1.47	5.26

* TiO_2 prepared on Ti plate at 1200 K

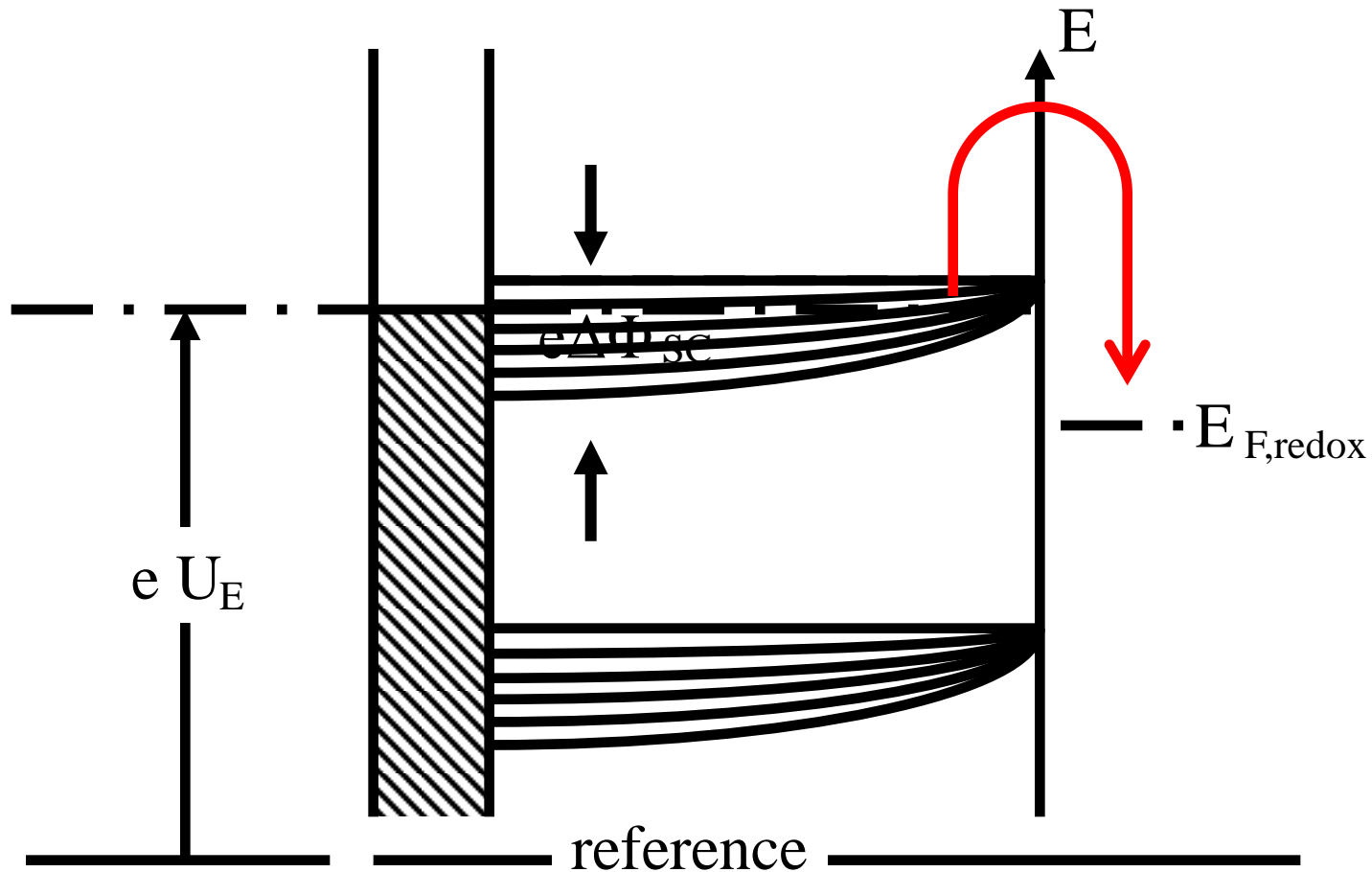
** TiO_2 prepared on Ti plate at 870 K

Photo catalytic behavior of C₃N

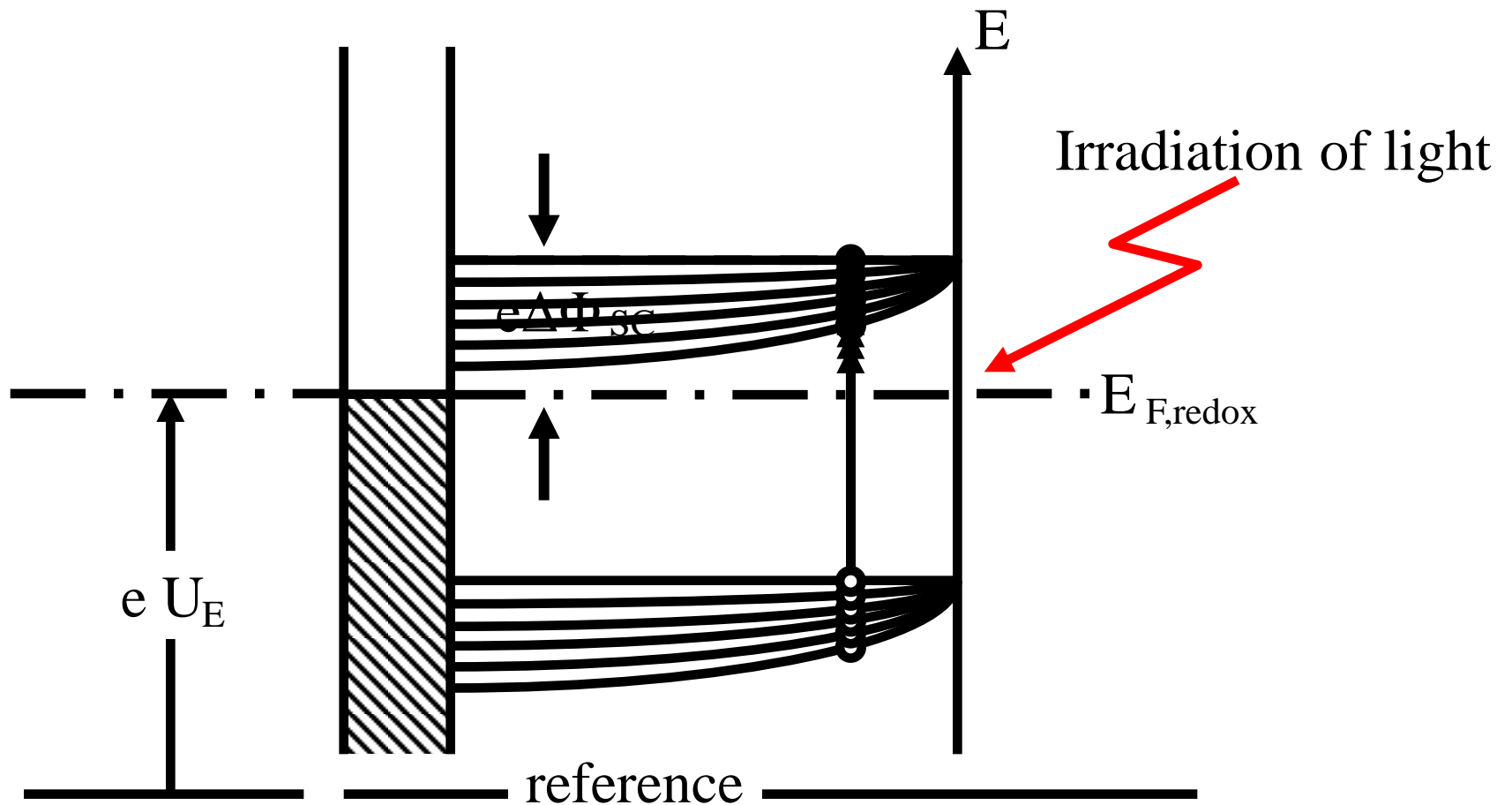


Change in open circuit potential for C₃N prepared from CAN in 1.0 M H₂SO₄. The electrode was intermittently irradiated by UV with visible light.

Electronic structure of C_3N in H_2SO_4 aqueous solution



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Summary

1. B/C/N materials intercalate **Na and Mg** to make **intercalation compounds**, which can be applied to anodes of **Na (and Mg in future) ion batteries**.
2. C/N materials have **several kinds of nitrogen** in the structure and adsorb ions on the structure, which can be applied to **capacitors and photo catalysts**.

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