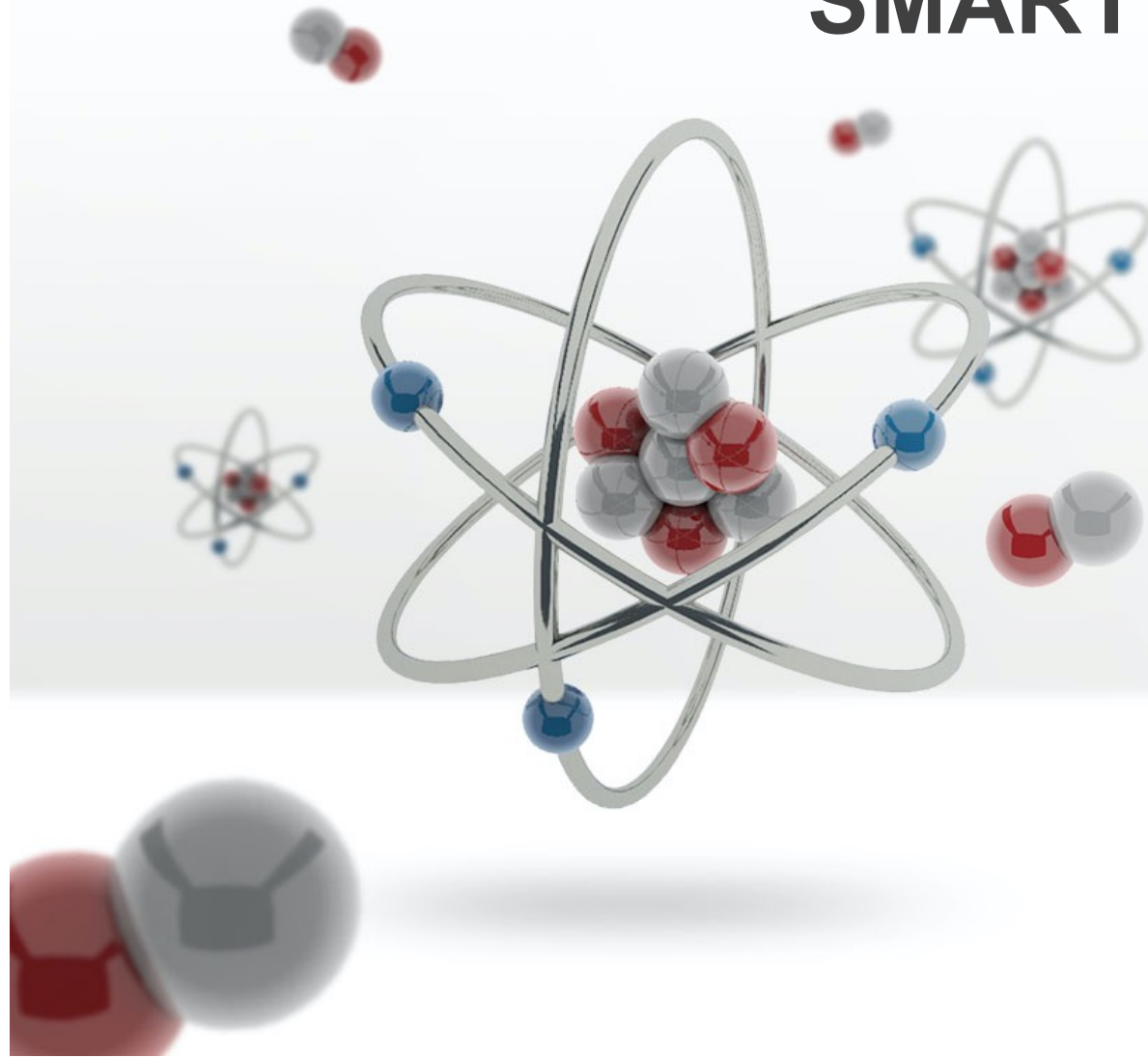
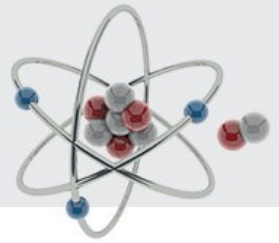


SMART HYBRID MATERIALS

UNIT 1: INTRODUCTION OF HYBRID MATERIALS



Objectives



Unit 1: Introduction of Hybrid Materials

Definition

Classification

- Class I: weak interaction
- Class II: strong interaction

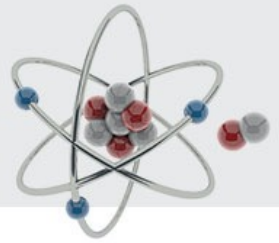
Advantages

Fabrication process

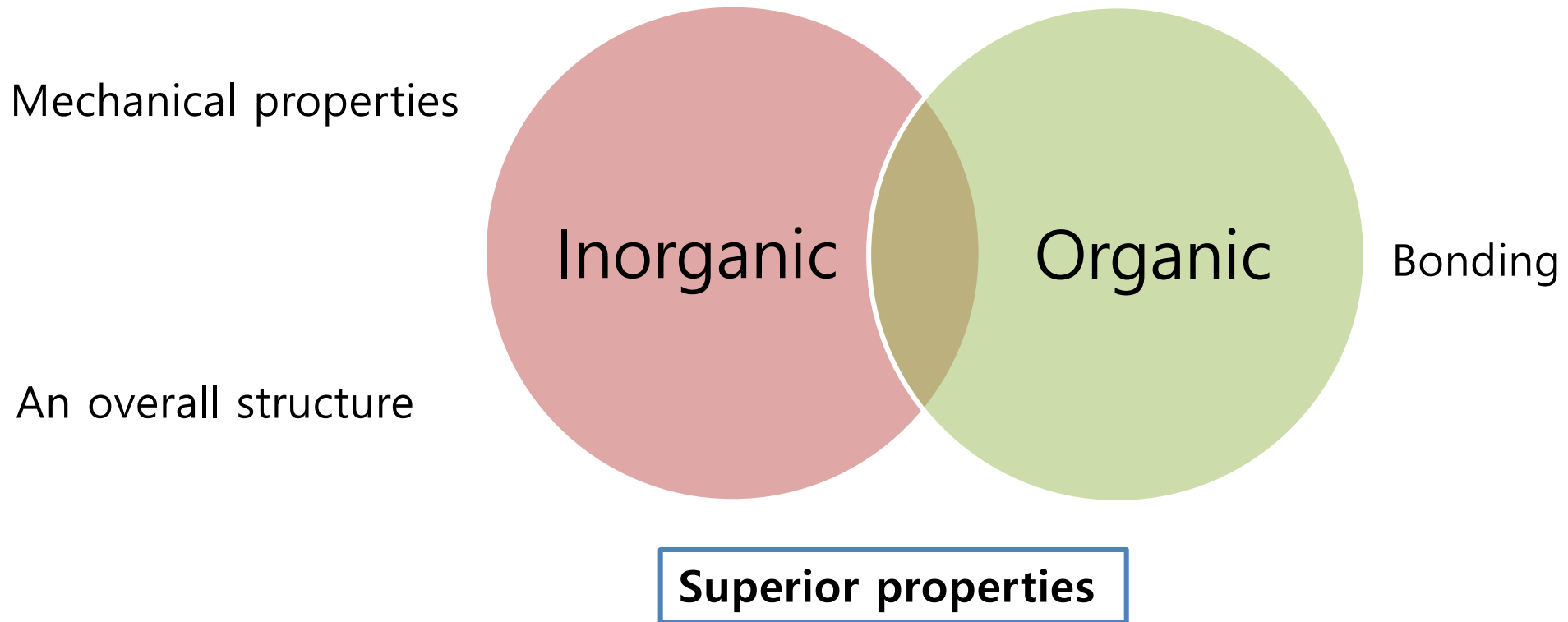
- Sol-gel Process
- Building Block

Characterization methods

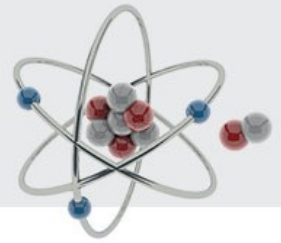
I.1 Definition



" A hybrid material is a material that includes two moieties blended on the molecular scale"



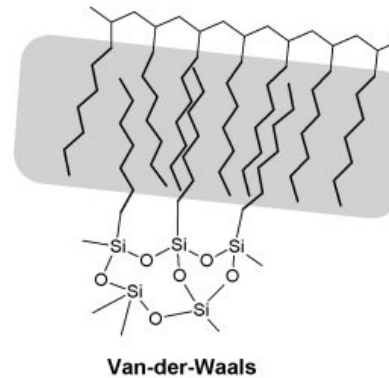
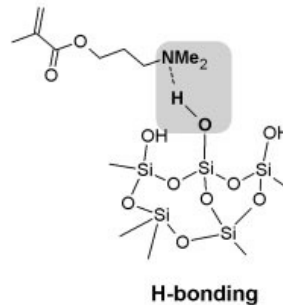
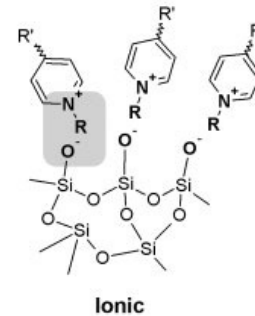
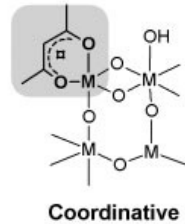
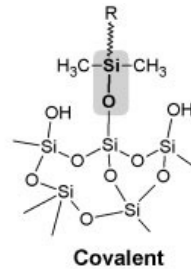
I.2 Classification



Class I

-Weak interactions

Strength of
interaction

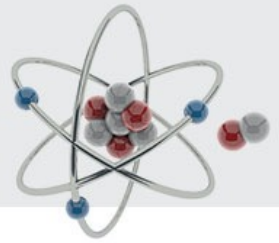


Class II

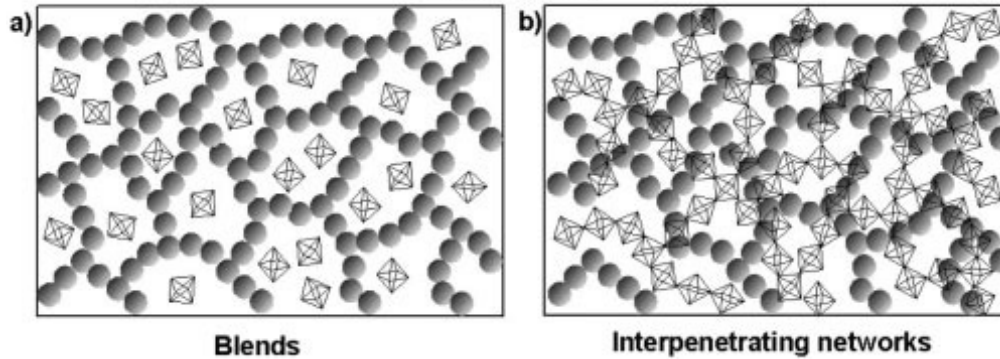
-Strong interactions

Selected interactions typically applied in hybrid materials and their relative strength.

I.2 Classification

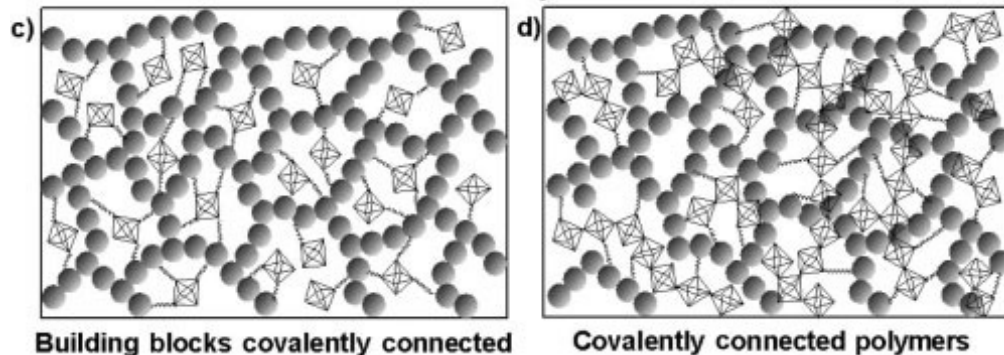


Class I Hybrids



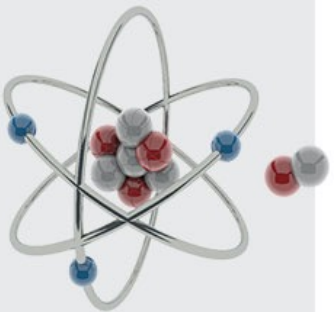
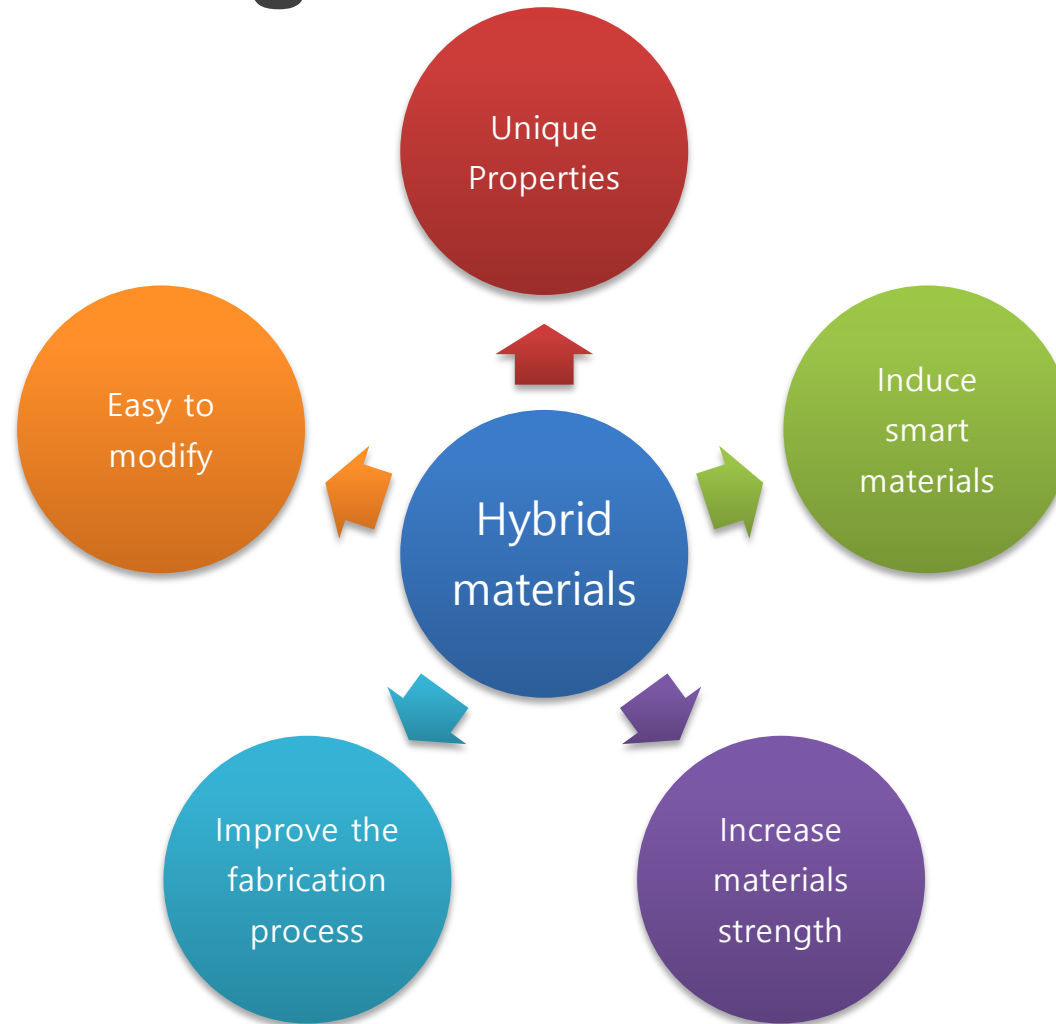
- Entrapped by physical interaction
- Entrapped inside the cross-linked polymer matrix

Class II Hybrids

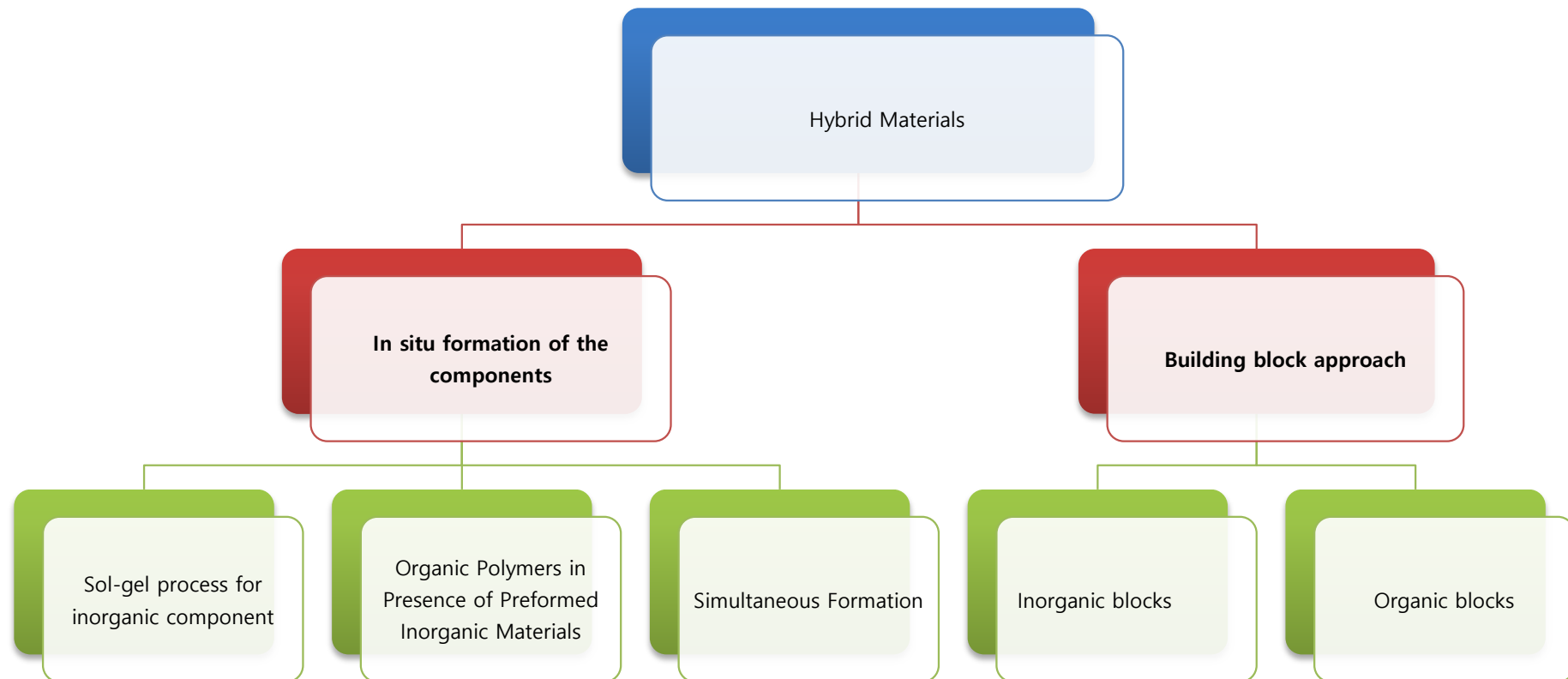
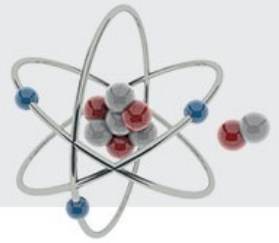


- Inorganic building blocks covalently bond with organic polymers
- Inorganic and organic polymers covalently bond together

I.3 Advantages



I.4. Synthetic Strategies



1.4.1 *In situ* formation of the components

Definition: based on the chemical transformation of the precursors used throughout material's preparation.

Hybrid materials by Sol-gel Process

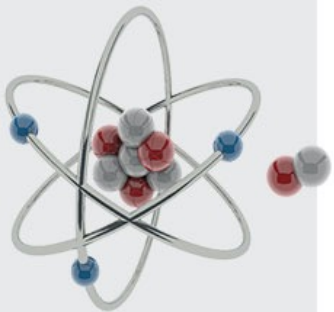
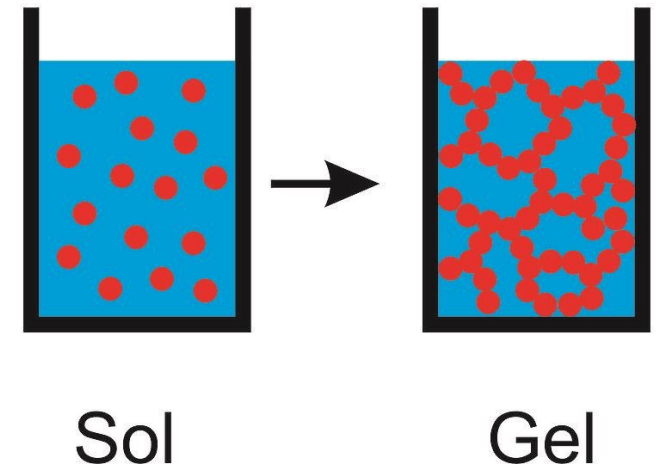
=> **What is the sol-gel process???**

The sol-gel process (gelation): a change from a liquid state to a gel state through poly- condensation reactions

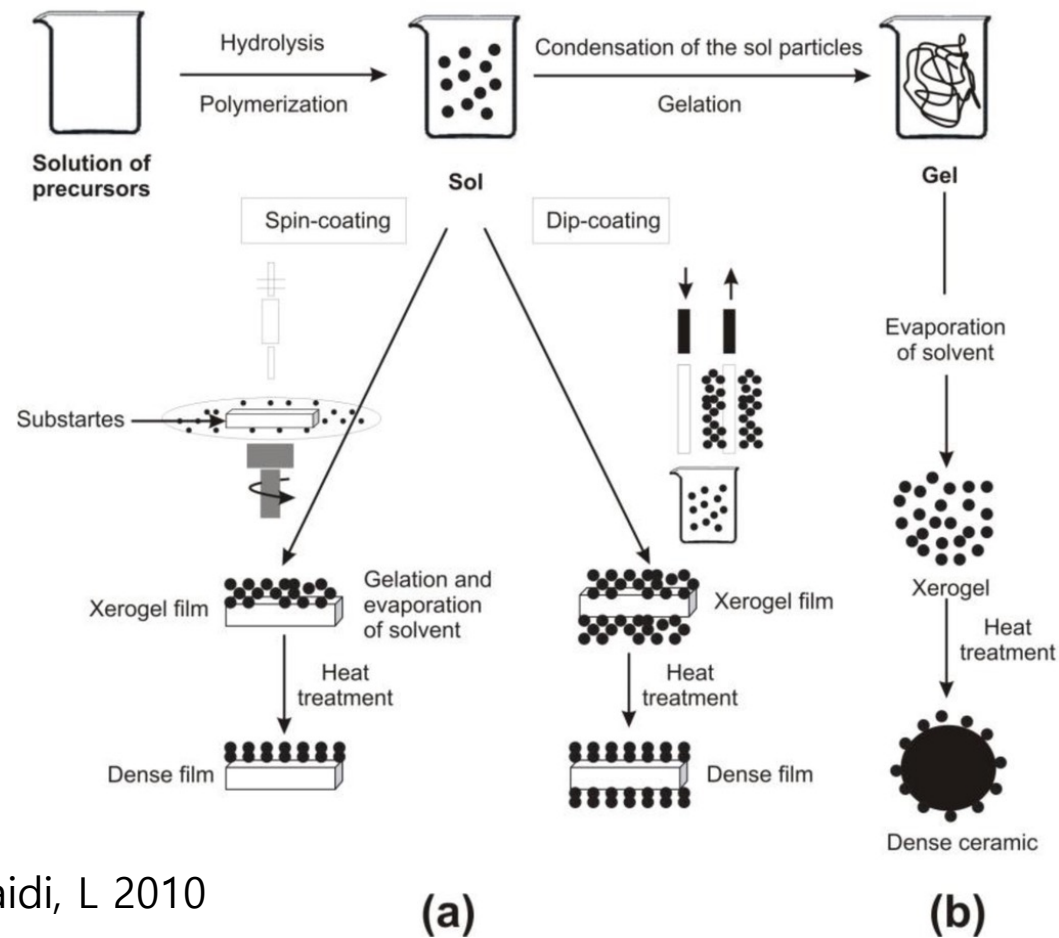
A sol is a stable dispersion of colloidal particles or polymers in a solvent.

The particles may be amorphous or crystalline.
Typical size few nm.

A gel consists of a three dimensional continuous network of the sol particles, which encloses a liquid phase.

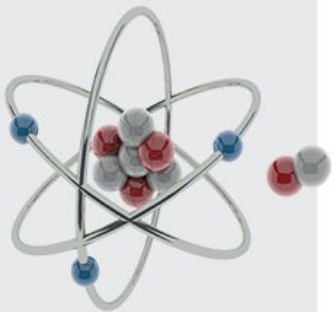


Sol-gel Process



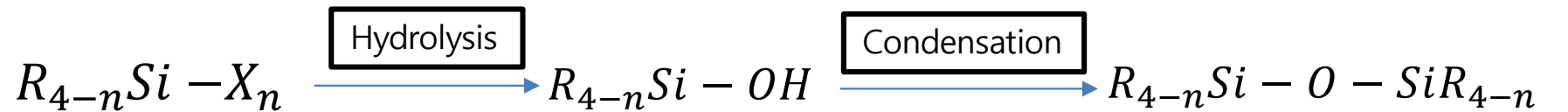
Classifications:

- Silicon based sol-gel process
- Non hydrolytic sol-gel



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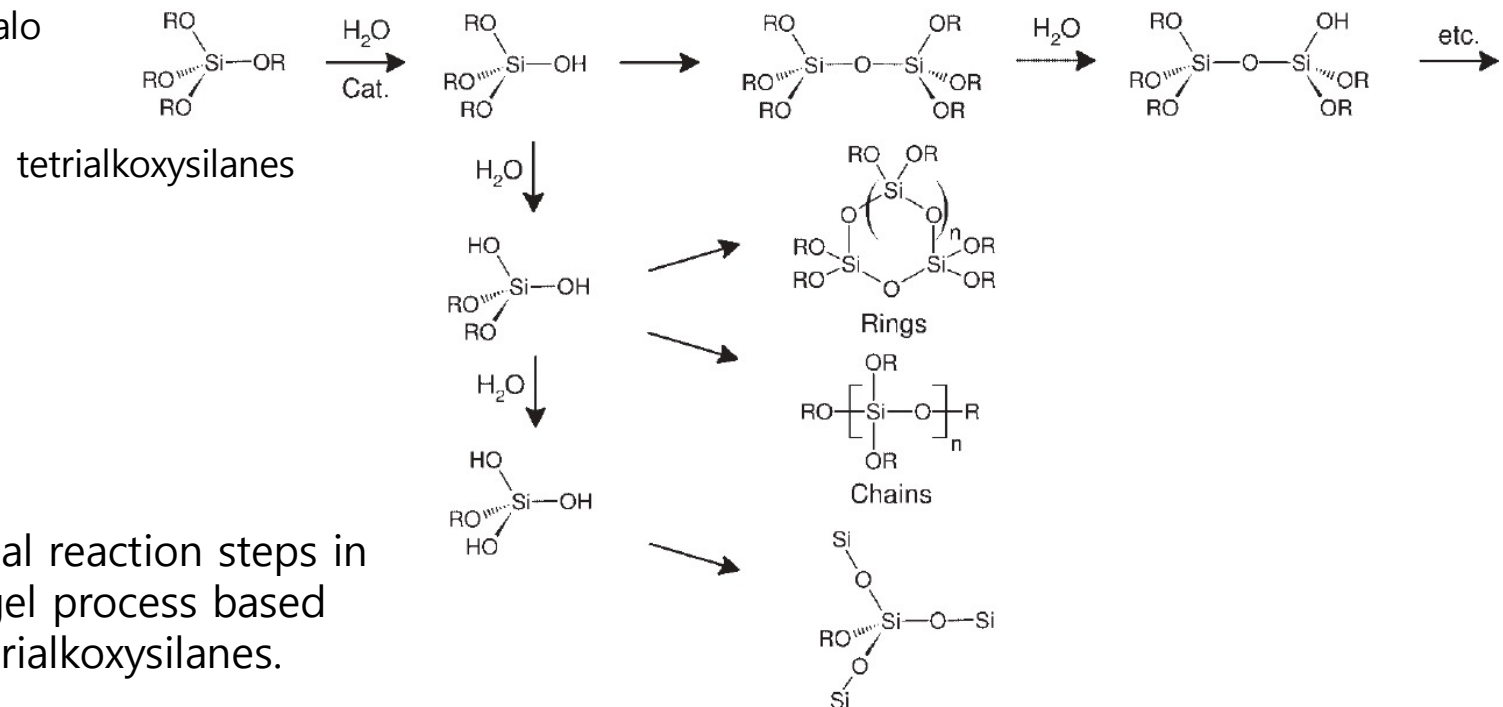
Silicon based Sol-gel Principle



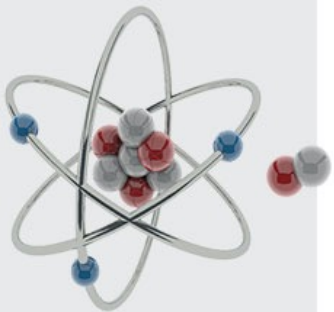
as precursors
with $n=1-4$, X
as $-OR'$ or halo
gen

Unstable
silanols

Undergo crosslink and form a gel



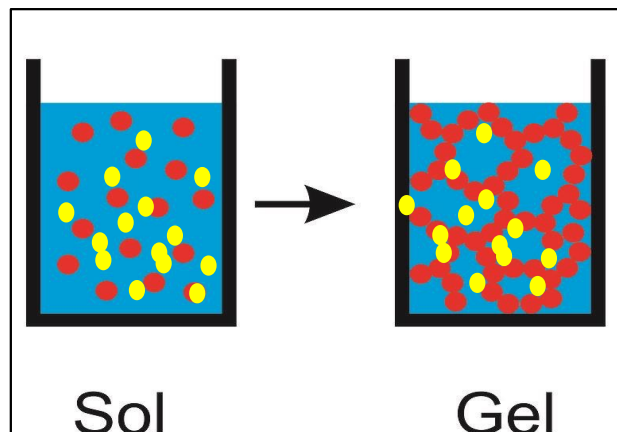
Fundamental reaction steps in
the sol-gel process based
on tetrialkoxysilanes.



How to make a hybrid materials?

Adding organic molecules into Sol

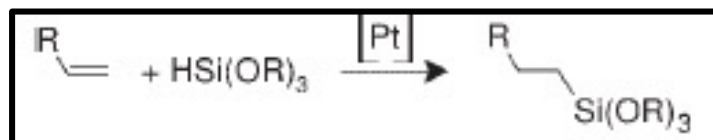
● Organic Molecules
● Inorganic Molecules



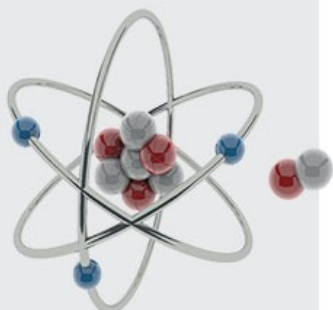
OM is entrapped in the formed network

Disadvantages: Phase separation and leaching due to the different polarity

Need: Modify the organic part with trialkoxysilanes to co-condensation process



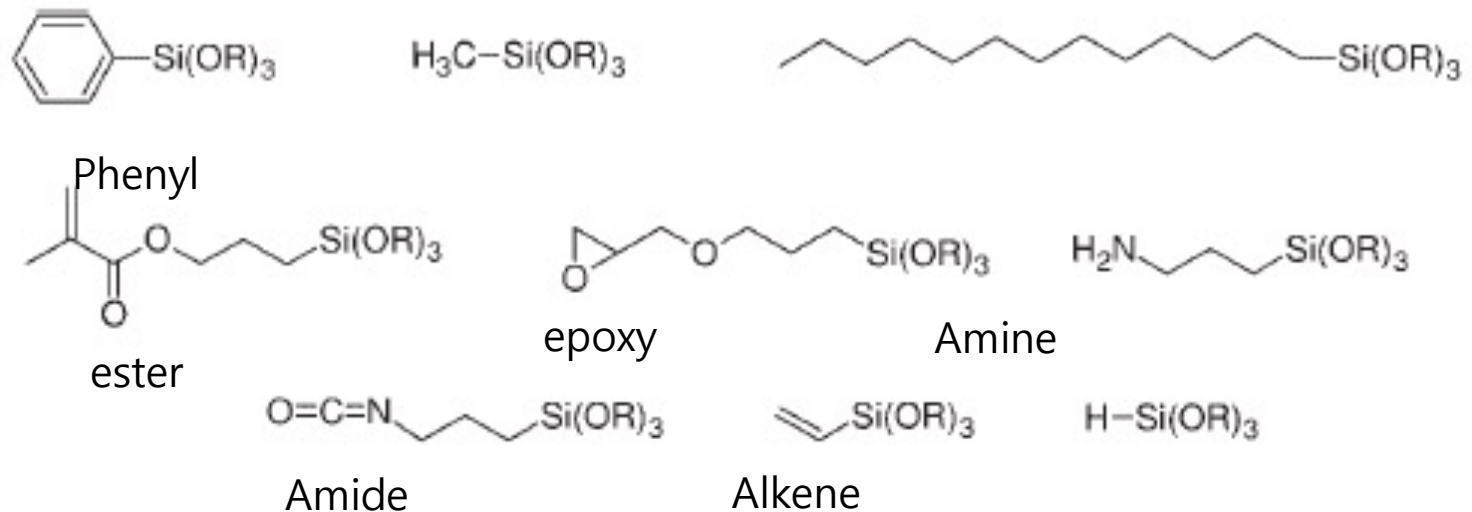
reaction between an unsaturated bond and a trialkoxysilane



How to make a hybrid materials?

The functional group incorporated changes the properties of the final material

For examples:



How to make a hybrid materials?

Sol-gel approaches + Organic polymers

→ carry out the inorganic network forming process in presence of a preformed organic polymer

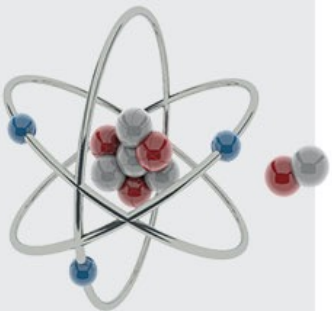
→ carry out the organic polymerization before, during or after the sol-gel process.

Advantages:

- Mild reaction conditions
- Solvent compatibility

Properties:

- Not only based on O and IO components
- By the phase morphology
- By the interfacial region

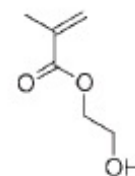


Sol-gel approaches + Organic polymers

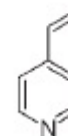
Problems: Phase separation due to immiscible of organic polymers with alcohols as products of sol-gel approach.

Solutions:

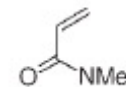
Polymer contains functional groups which compatible with sol-gel process or interaction with inorganic networks



Hydroxyethyl methacrylate (HEMA)



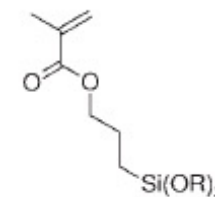
Vinylpyridine



Dimethylacetamide



Glycidoxypropyl-trialkoxysilane



Methacroylpropyl-trialkoxysilane

I.4.2 Formation of Organic Polymers in presence of Preformed In-organic materials

Preformed Inorganic+ Organic polymers

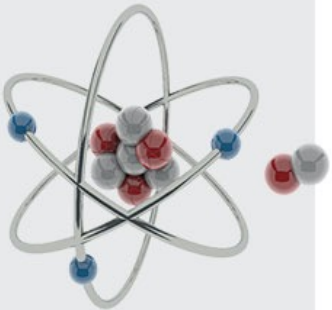
To overcome the incompatibility of the two species.

Inorganic Particles

- Pretreated with silane coupling agents
- Pretreated with surfactants

3D network Inorganic Particles

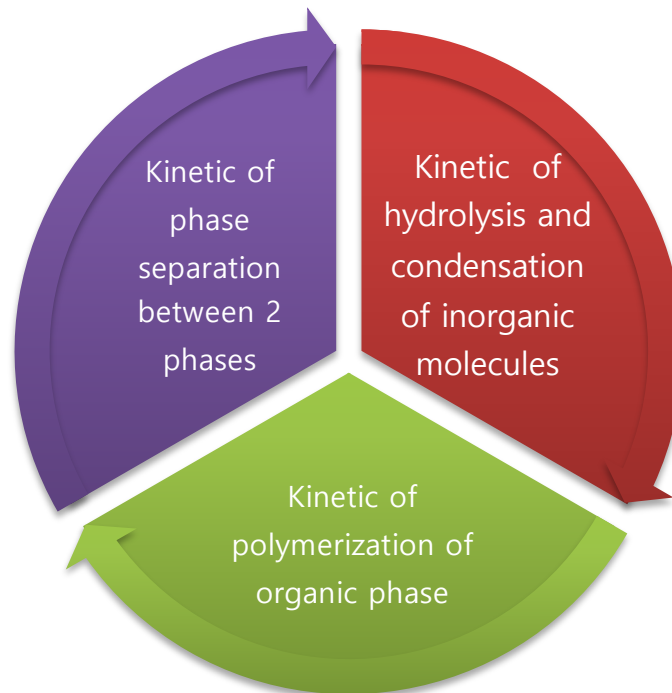
- Porous and layered inorganic materials is used
- 2D inorganic layers intercalate with organic molecules
- The host-guest hybrid materials: directly thread or *in situ*



I.4.3 Hybrid Materials by Simultaneous Formation of Both Components

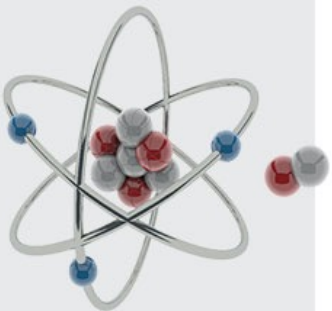
Simultaneous formation → homogeneous interpenetrating networks.

Precursor (sol-gel) + **monomer** (polymerization) + W/WO **solvents**



Problems

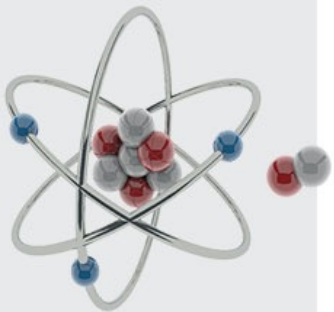
The sensitivity of many organic polymerization processes for sol-gel conditions or the composition of the materials formed



I.5. Building Block Approach

Well defined:

- Molecules
- Nanostructures
- Size and shape
- A tailored structure and composition



Inorganic
Building
Block



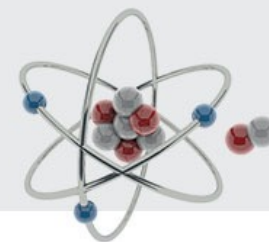
Organic
Building
Block



Hybrid
Materials

Interacting properties
E.g.: Conductivity, thermal.

I.5.1 Inorganic Building Block



Inorganic building block = cluster compounds of various compositions

Cluster = agglomerates of pure metal or metal mix with other elements

Problems: Metal clusters are not stable => make a larger particles

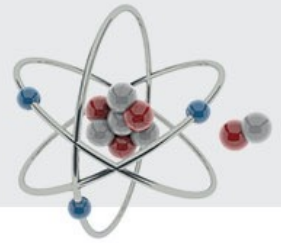
Requires

post-synthesis modification

In situ functionalization



I.5.1 Inorganic Building Block



Types: Clusters – Nanoparticles – Metal oxides

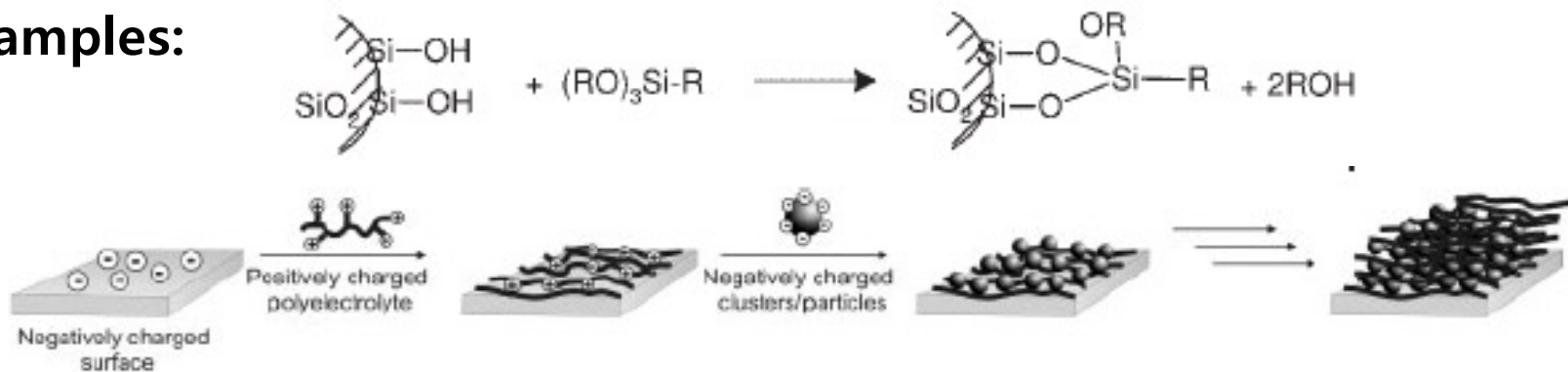
Post-synthesis modification:

Step 1: Forming
nanoparticles/clusters



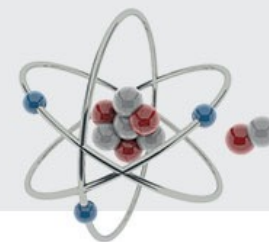
Step 2:
Functionalization with
organic groups

For examples:



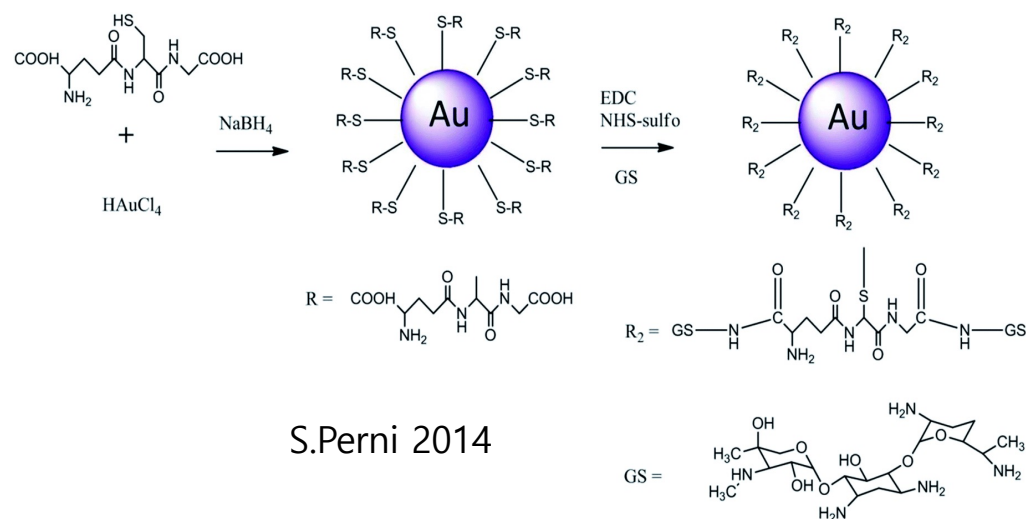
Layer by layer using electrostatic force

I.5.2 Inorganic Building Block



In situ functionalization:

For examples:

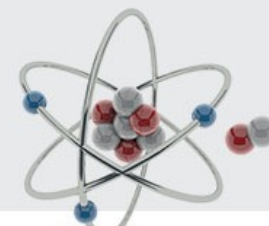


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In presence of functional organic groups

Formation of inorganic nanoparticles

I.5.3 Organic Building Block



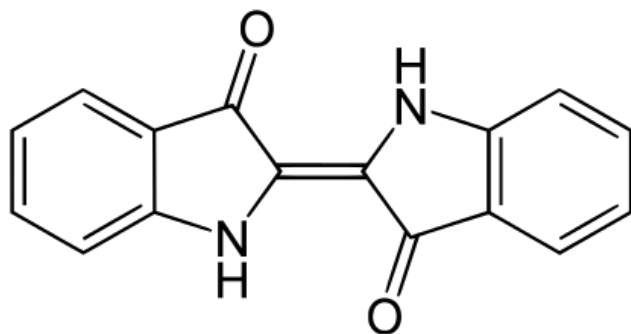
Small molecules

Macromolecules

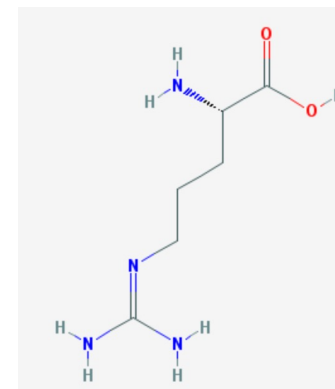
Particle and particle-like structure

The modification of inorganic networks with small organic molecules

Good for sol-gel process derived by silicon based materials

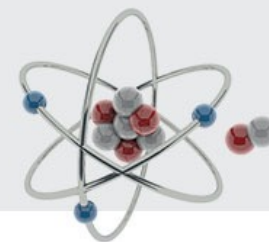


indigo



Nonlinear Organic Optical group

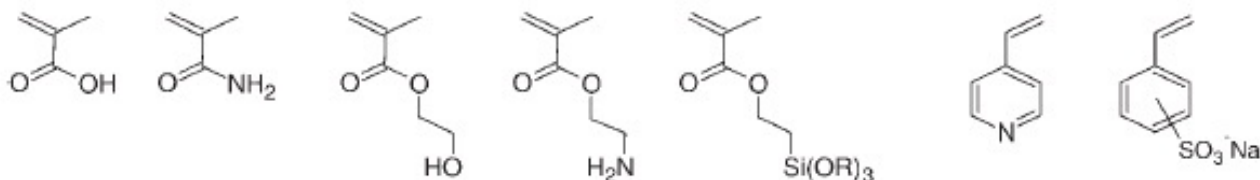
I.5.3 Organic Building Block



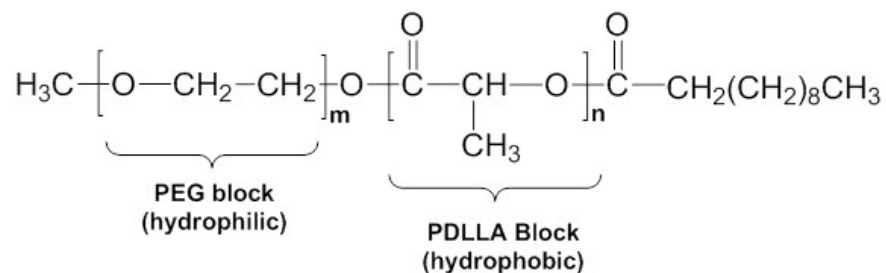
Macromolecules

Using macromolecules for inorganic networks

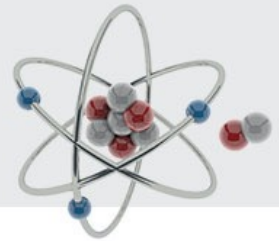
Typical monomer: form a homopolymer and compatibilize between 2 components



Block copolymer: consisting of a **hydrophilic** and a **hydrophobic** segments



I.5.3 Organic Building Block

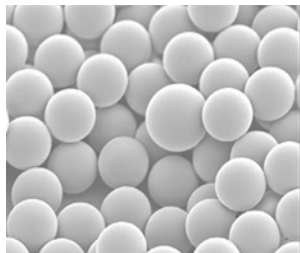


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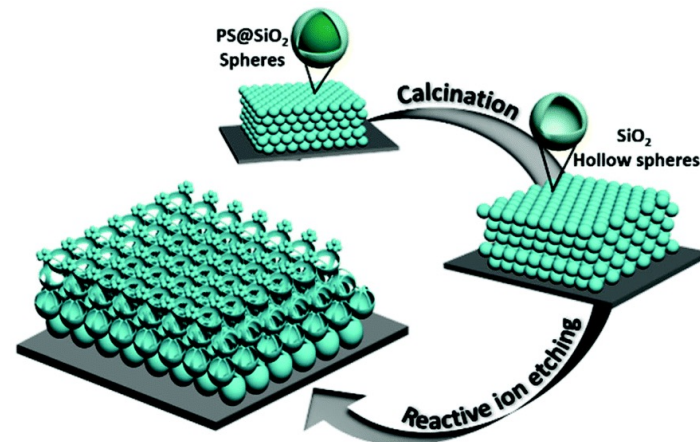
Organic colloids formed from physically or chemically crosslinked polymers

Easy to control size range: nanometer to micrometer

Latex colloids

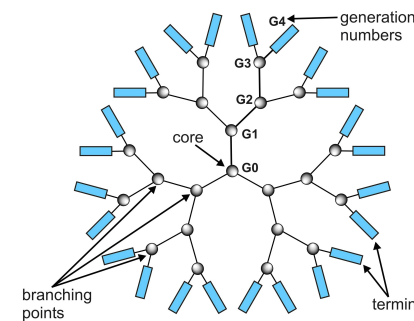


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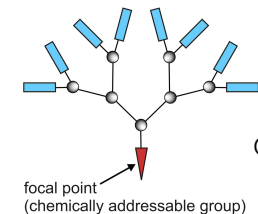


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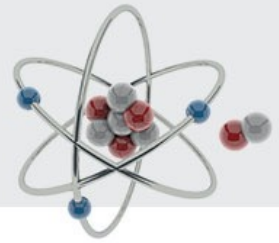
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I.6 Structural Engineering



Design materials



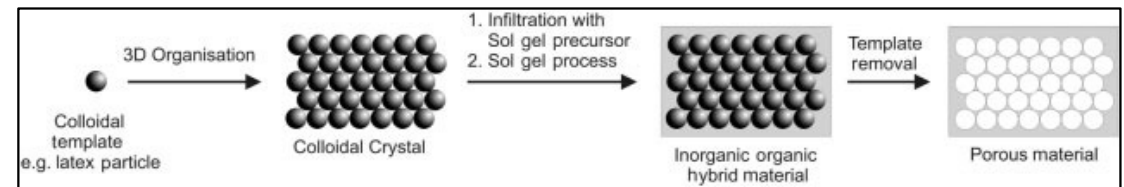
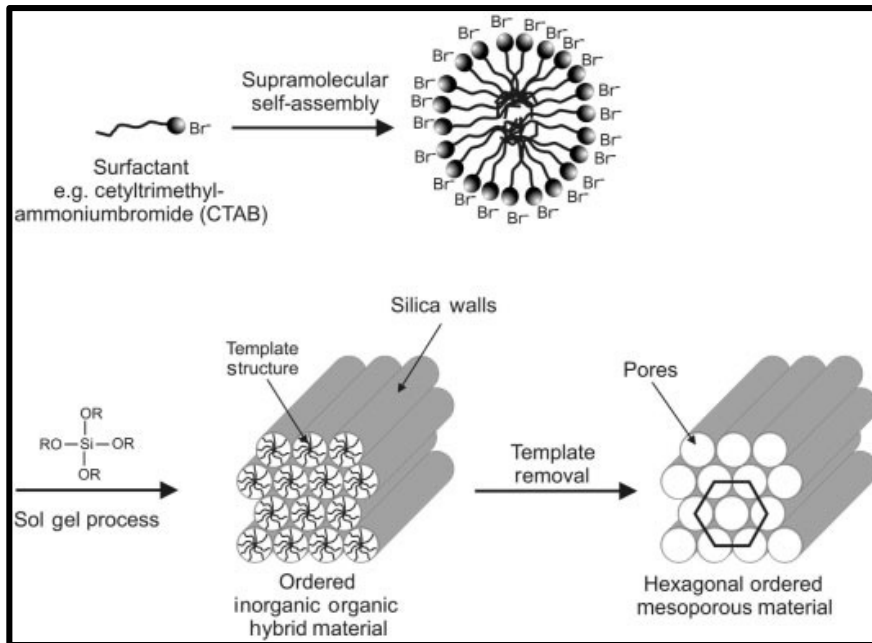
Adapt to multi-applications



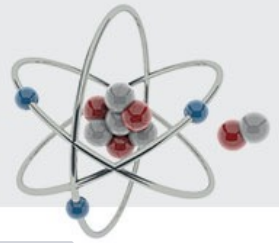
Best processing strategies



- Thin films and coatings using dip/spin coating
 - Fibers using spinning techniques
- Bulk materials using pouring in forms and curing



I.7 Characterization of Materials



Scanning electron
microscopy (SEM)

Produce high resolution images of a sample surface

X-ray photoelectron
spectroscopy (XPS)

a surface sensitive analytical tool used to examine the chemical compositions and electronic state of the surface of a sample.

Transmission electron
microscopy (TEM)

Give information about the inner structure of the specimen

Atomic force microscopy
(AFM)

represents the topography of the sample.

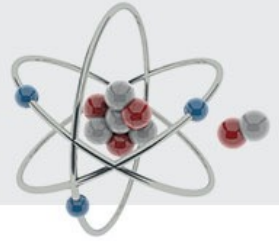
X-ray diffraction

identify the different phases in a polycrystalline sample.

Thermal analysis
techniques

Studies the weight changes of samples in relation to changes in temperature

Summary



Hybrid materials is the most modern materials in the recent

In this part of Introduction:

- Overview of critical issues in the synthesis
- The importance of the interface between the inorganic and organic materials
- Methods for fabrication is importance
- The structure, formation, processing and analysis is importance as well.