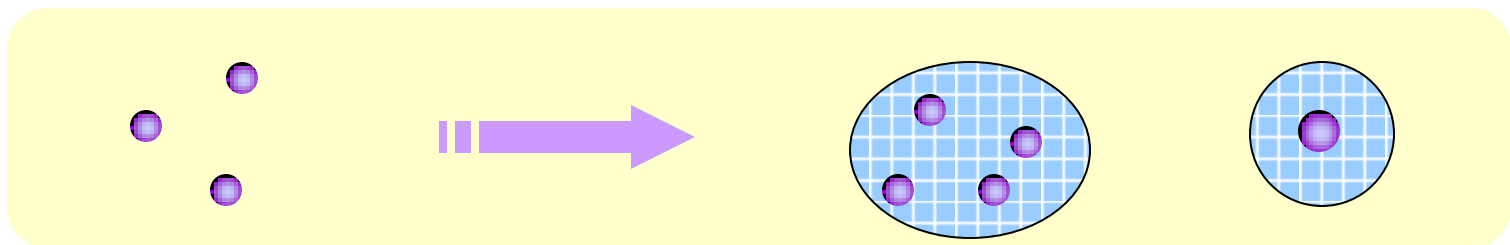
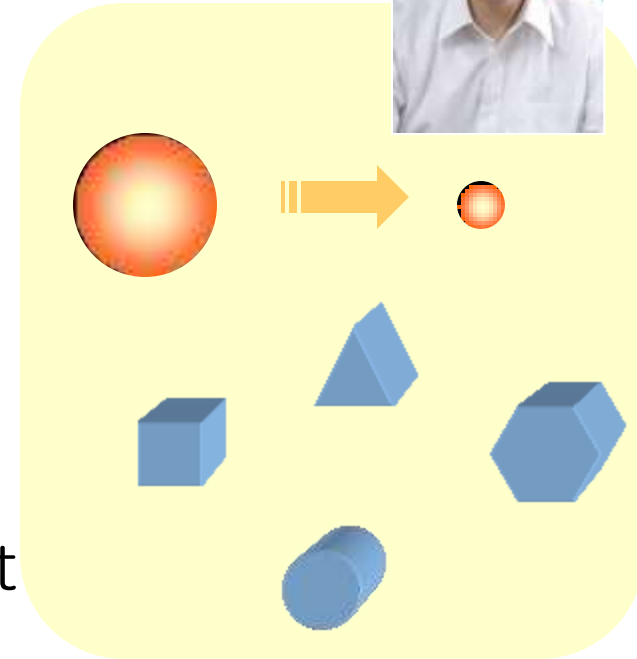


Synthesis of Ceria Nanoparticle-Assembled Hollow Mesoporous Silica Composite Particles

■ Nano-sized catalysts

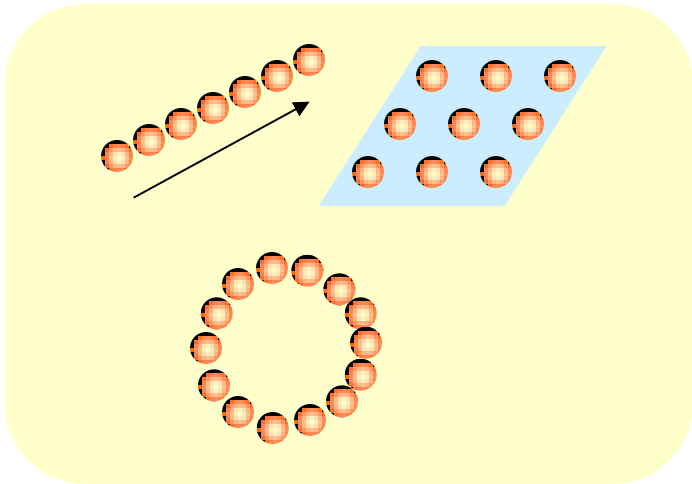
- Excellent performances
- Catalytic activities depend on **size, shape, component, etc.**
- **aggregation** and **sintering** reduce catalytic activities
- Mesoporous silica is a good support for **high thermal stabilities, reusability, keeping high reactivity.**

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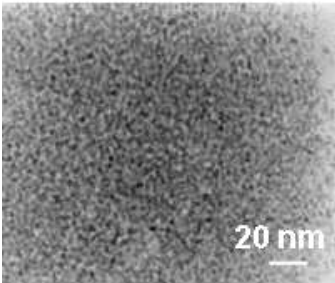


■ Nanoparticle assembly

- Novel functions different from that of nanoparticles
- Nature of the assembly improves catalytic activity
- Reusable catalysts



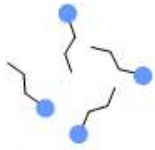
■ This Work



Ceria nanoparticles (CeNPs, ca. 3 nm)



transparent

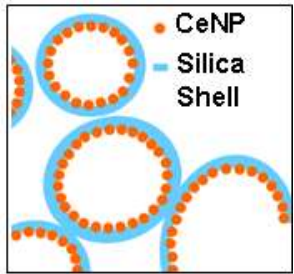
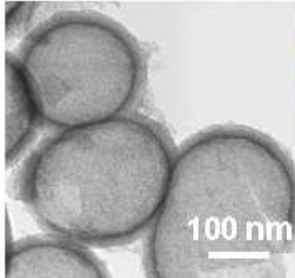


sodium oleate (NaOA)



translucent

Silica sources
Ethanol



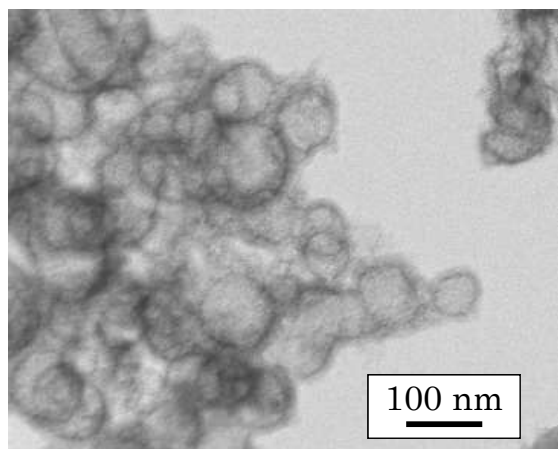
CeNP-assembled hollow mesoporous silica particles

■ Synthesized structures are

- pH- dependent

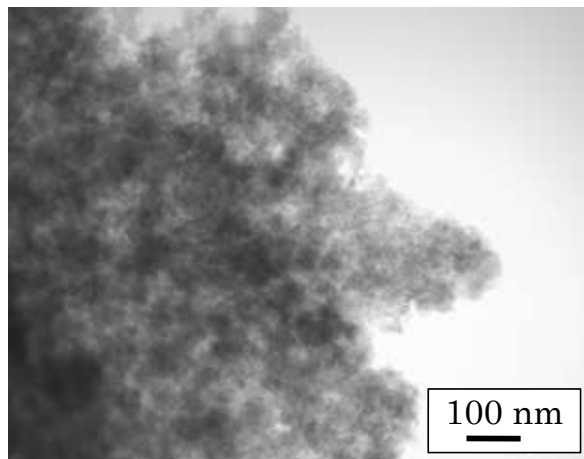
- Ce inside
Si outside

$7 < \text{pH} < 10$

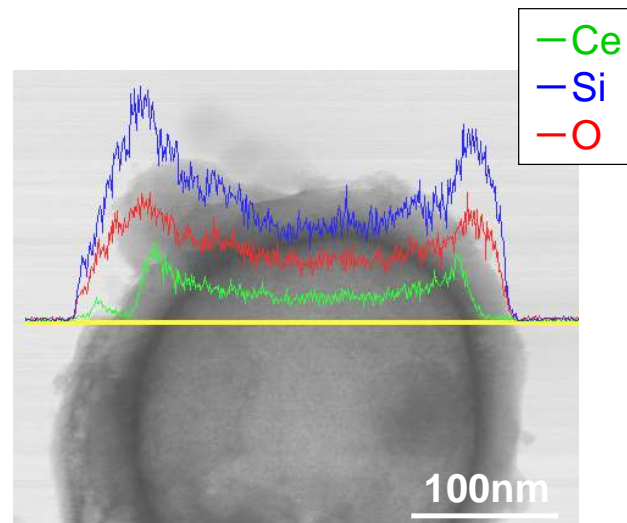


Hollow Particle

$\text{pH} > 10$



Aggregates



■ Synthesized particles are

- thermally stable

- applicable to automotive catalysts