

SiO₂-CaO sol-gel samples:

 $\frac{$50 - 50\% \text{ SiO}_2, 50\% \text{ CaO}}{$70 - 70\% \text{ SiO}_2, 30\% \text{ CaO}}$ $\frac{$90 - 90\% \text{ SiO}_2, 10\% \text{ CaO}}{$20 - 90\% \text{ SiO}_2, 10\% \text{ CaO}}$



²⁹Si MAS NMR

Hybrids containing collagen (C) and gelatin (G)



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Sample	Sample Peak 5 (Q ⁰)			Peak 4 (Q ¹)			Peak 3 (Q ²)			Peak 2 (Q ³)			Peak 1 (Q ⁴)		
	δ ppm	FWHM ppm	 %	δ ppm	FWHM ppm	 %	δ ppm	FWHM ppm	 %	δ ppm	FWHM ppm	 %	δ ppm	FWHM ppm	 %
S90 Quench 0.5/35	-	-	-	-81.1	6.02	2	-92.0	11.26	9	-100.6	9.16	21	-110.3	11.26	68
S90 Quench 2.5/35	-	-	-	-	-		-90.9	10.59	7	-100.8	9.76	27	-110.5	10.59	65
S70 Quench 0.5/35	-72.6	6.27	2	-81.0	9.02	10	-91.0	11.76	23	-100.4	9.41	16	-110.2	13.33	49
S70 Quench 4/35	-77.1	6.43	5	-83.9	8.03	5	-91.8	8.93	5	-101.7	10.71	26	-110.8	11.25	59
S50C50Et 200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-92.9	7.31	3	-101.2	7.65	21	-110.2	11.13	76
S50C50Et 600	-71.5	5.94	17	-78.7	7.58	17	-86.0	10.05	26	-102.6 -96.0	6.44 8.91	8 15	-109.6	9.48	17
S50C50Et 800	-71.9	5.59	19	-84.7 -79.2	6.52 5.59	16 12	-90.8	7.45	11	-97.8	5.78	4	-110.1	14.72	37
Organic-inorganic hybrids															
S100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-92.9	6.69	8	-101.3	7.86	40	-110.5	8.70	52
G12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-90.7	5.82	3	-101.9	9.22	41	-111.1	8.73	56
C12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-91.4	5.82	6	-100.9	8.81	41	-109.9	8.96	53
C30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-91.5	8.98	10	-100.7	7.83	34	-109.7	9.55	56
C40							-92.2	8.74	9	-100.7	7.46	30	-109.6	9.53	61
S100 N G20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-90.9	8.08	8	-101.0	8.85	39	-109.8	8.85	53
S100 H8 G30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-91.1	7.52	6	-101.0	9.20	40	-110.3	9.32	54
S70C30 N G30	-	-	-	-84.9	6.46	3	-92.0	6.64	8	-100.2	8.12	37	-109.2	9.23	52
S70C30 H8 G30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-91.2	7.10	8	-100.5	7.73	35	-109.9	9.62	57

Errors associated with measurements are—FWHM \pm 50Hz, $\delta \pm 1.5$ ppm and Integral $\pm 2\%$.

¹H MAS NMR



Sample	Hydrogen content (mol/g)				
S90 Quench 0.5/35	4.14×10 ⁻³				
S90 Quench 2.5/35	5.42×10 ⁻³				
S70 Quench 0.5/35	3.19×10 ⁻³				
S70 Quench 4/35	3.66 ×10 ⁻³				





Sample	Hydrogen content (mol/g)					
S100	1.21 ×10 ⁻²					
G12	1.16×10 ⁻²					
C12	1.08×10 ⁻²					
C30	1.28×10 ⁻²					
C40	1.20×10 ⁻²					
S100 N G20	1.85×10 ⁻²					
S100 H8 G30	1.83×10 ⁻²					
S70 N G30	2.12×10 ⁻²					
S70 H8 G30	2.24×10 ⁻²					



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¹³C CP MAS NMR

Probing the local environment of calcium in Mg-substituted apatites



... but the interpretation of NMR data relies on the **hypothesis** that ⁴³Ca NMR parameters of the non-substituted apatite stay valid in the case of substituted apatites... Is this actually true?

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 $Ca_{10-x}Mg_{x}(PO_{4})_{6}(OH)_{2}$





The local geometry around the calcium is hardly distorted

The local environment around calcium is only very slightly modified due to Mg incorporation in the HA lattice (EXAFS + XANES).

The interpretation of ⁴³Ca NMR data is thus accurate: Mg enters the Ca(2) site of HA at low levels of incorporation.

Probing the local environment of calcium in inorganic species: New perspectives from computational studies





Strong dependance of δ_{iso} to the average Ca…O distance, In particular in the case of **borates**

⁴³Ca NMR studies of calcium borates worth trying?



5 samples, varying [B], [C] and [N]

Small changes in chemical shift

Small changes in peak width

Same chemical shift and line width

100% of boron incomporated into phosphate network





P-B-Ca-Na glasses







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Publications in Progress

- Abou Neel E. A., Chrzanowski W., Pickup D. M., O'Dell L A, Newport R.J., Smith M. E., Knowles J C. Structural properties of strontium doped phosphate based glasses. Journal of the Royal Society Interface: Submitted.
- Abou Neel E.A., Sabeel P. V., Knowles J.C. Phosphate based glasses: A perspective. (In Process for Submission).
- Abou Neel E. A., Chrzanowski W., Valappil S. P., O'Dell L. A., Pickup D. M., Smith M. E., Newport R. J., Knowles J. C. Synergetic effect of calcium oxide and titanium dioxides on the properties of meta-phosphate based glasses. (In Process for Submission).
- ➢ In Vivo work on Titanium and Zinc titanium glasses.
- > In vitro biocompatibility of Titanium with high calcium content glasses.





Previous study : $(50mol\%)P_2O_5$ (30)CaO (20-x)Na₂O (x)TiO₂ $\{x=0,5,10,15\}$

This study :

 $\begin{array}{l} (45mol\%) P_2 O_5 \ (30) CaO \ (25-x) Na_2 O \ (x) TiO_2 \\ \{x=0,1,3,5,10,15\} \end{array}$

 $\begin{array}{l} (55mol\%) P_2 O_5 \ (30) CaO \ (15\text{-}x) Na_2 O \ (x) TiO_2 \\ \{x = 0, 1, 3, 5\} \end{array}$





Bulk glass characterization

- ✓ Density measurements
- ✓ Degradation studies
- ✓ Differential thermal analysis
- ✓ Ion release measurements using IC
- ✓ Ti release using ICP mass
- ✓ X-ray powder diffraction (XRD)





Looking at Glass Ceramics

investigating the crystallisation kinetics of conversion to glass ceramic via:

Differential thermal analysisHigh Temperature XRD





FTIR of SBF samples

Samples reacted for 3days.



ICP Results

SBF P ion concentration



ICP Results 3



SBF Ca lon concentration



To do

- Samples for toxicity and cell culture
- Mechanical (3-point bending and compression)
- ²⁹Si NMR

Imperial College London Previously, NMR

- Connectivity Reduced
- Ca not incorporated
- Quantified by ICP
- Expelled Liquor after Aging
- [Ca] 1.1 mol/L
- Almost 100% Ca Dissolved!
- This can explain why...



Imperial College London Phase Separation

- During Drying, heterogeneous deposition
- Capillary effects, expelled liquor first
- 25% Ca deposited outside, diffusion difficulty
- Confirmed by SIMS
- This can explain why...





Imperial College London Broad Pore Size Range

- Due to Ca distribution
- Higher [Ca], larger pores!
- Larger pores, lower transparency!



Imperial College London New Role of Calcium

• Not only a "Modifier", but also a "Fuser"



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Mechanism



HC2-127 normalised intensity (det/mon)



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HC2-127 normalised intensity (det/mon)



HC2-127 normalised intensity (det/mon)



HC2-150HF normalised intensity (det/mon)



HC2 140E, in-situ



HC2 140E, in-situ







Conventional XRD spectra for sol-gel sodium borophosphate heat treated at 120 °C (From bottom to top: $P_{40}B_{10}Na_{40}$, $P_{40}B_{15}Na_{35}$, $P_{40}B_{20}Na_{40}$, $P_{40}B_{30}Na_{20}$ Conventional XRD spectra for meltquenched sodium borophosphate heat treated at 120 °C (From bottom to top: $P_{40}B_{10}Na_{40}$, $P_{40}B_{15}Na_{35}$, $P_{40}B_{20}Na_{40}$, $P_{40}B_{30}Na_{20}$







Conventional XRD spectra for sol-gel borophosphate $P_{40}B_{20}Na_{40}$ heat treated at 120 (bottom), 200 (middle) and 350 (top) °C



Total correlation function for sol-gel sodium borophosphate $P_{40}B_{20}Na_{40}$ heat treated at 200 (bottom), 350 (middle) °C and melt-quenched P40B20Na40 (top)

		r/A							
		P-O _T	P-O _B	Na-O	0…0	В…В	Р…В	Р…Р	Na…Na
	r /Å	1.51	1.55	2.27	2.50	2.67	2.76	2.90	3.12
SG_200 °C	CN	1.1	2.8	3.9	5.5	1.7	0.8	0.8	7.4
	σ	0.03	0.05	0.15	0.09	0.07	0.01	0.12	0.24
	r /Å	1.48	1.57	2.29	2.51	2.67	2.75	2.91	3.10
SG_350 °C	CN	1.4	2.9	5.3	4.8	1.1	0.9	1.2	4.9
	σ	0.04	0.05	0.12	0.07	0.07	0.01	0.11	0.24
	r /Å	1.46	1.55	2.31	2.47	2.68	2.75	2.91	3.13
MQ	CN	1.7	2.4	5.4	4.5	0.3	1.8	2.1	6.2
	σ	0.02	0.04	0.13	0.08	0.06	0.01	0.13	0.27