

Supporting information

Impact of Mn-Dopant Concentration in Observing Narrowing of Band-Gap, Urbach tail and Paramagnetism in Anatase TiO₂ Nanocrystals

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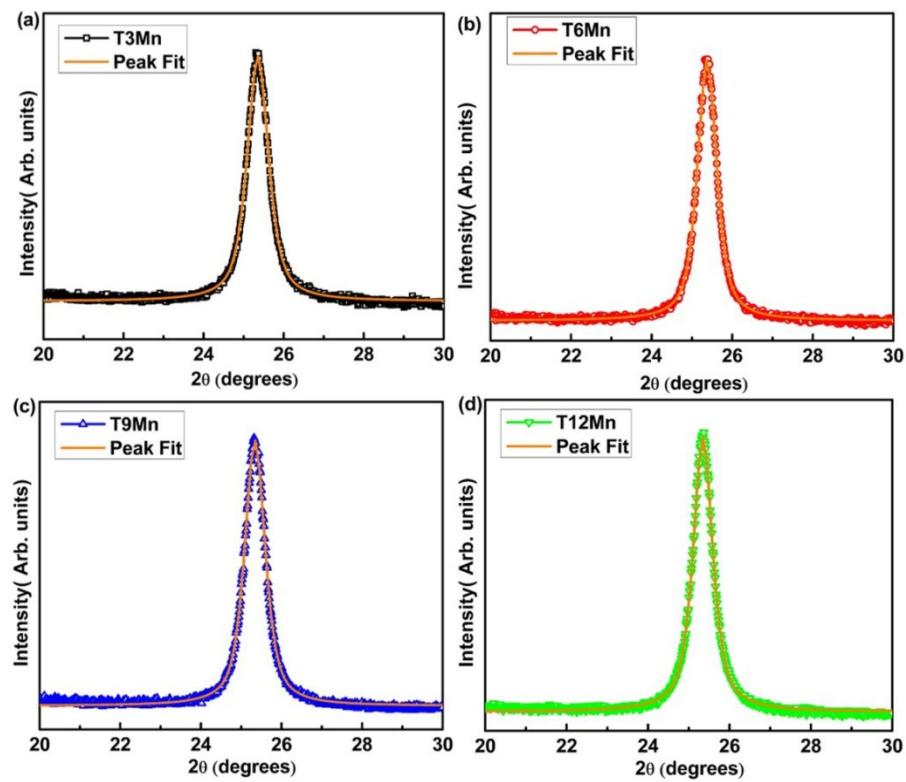


Fig.S1: Estimation of FWHM from the most intense (101) peak of all the Mn-doped samples (a) T3Mn, (b) T6Mn, (c) T9Mn and (d) T12Mn

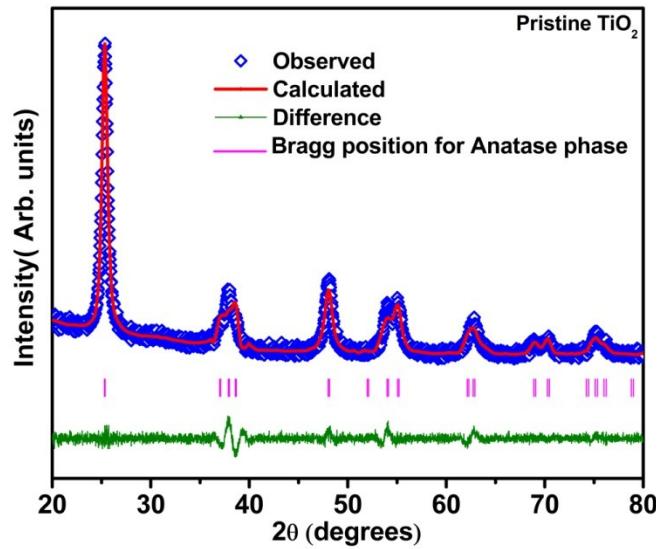


Figure S2. Refined XRD patterns of Pristine TiO_2 nanocrystals

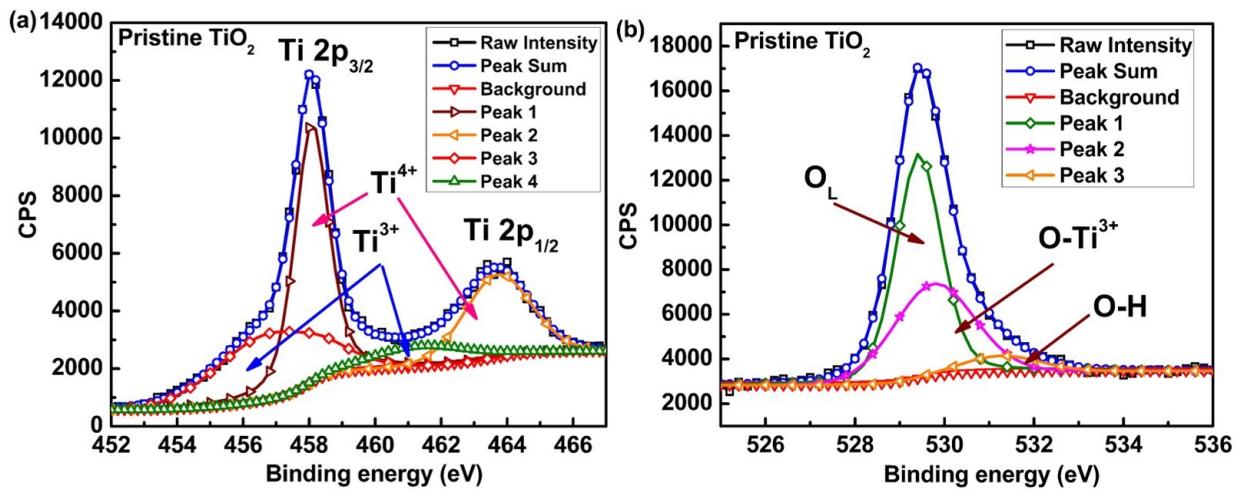


Figure S3. (a) High resolution XPS spectra of (a) Ti 2p and (b) O 1s of Pristine TiO_2

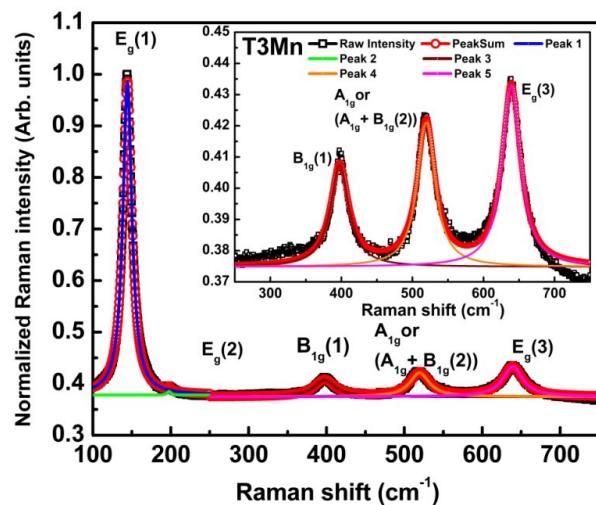


Figure S4: Deconvoluted Raman spectra of 3% Mn-doped TiO_2

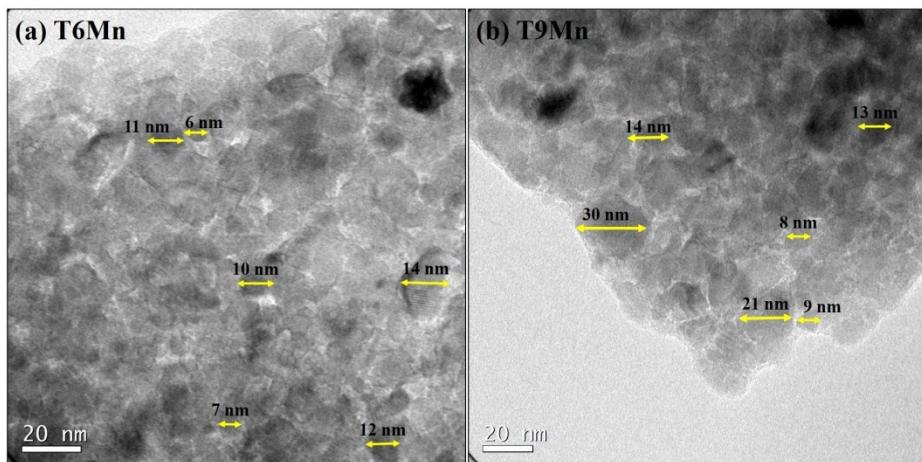


Figure S5: TEM micrographs showing the nanocrystal formation for (a) T6Mn and (b) T9Mn

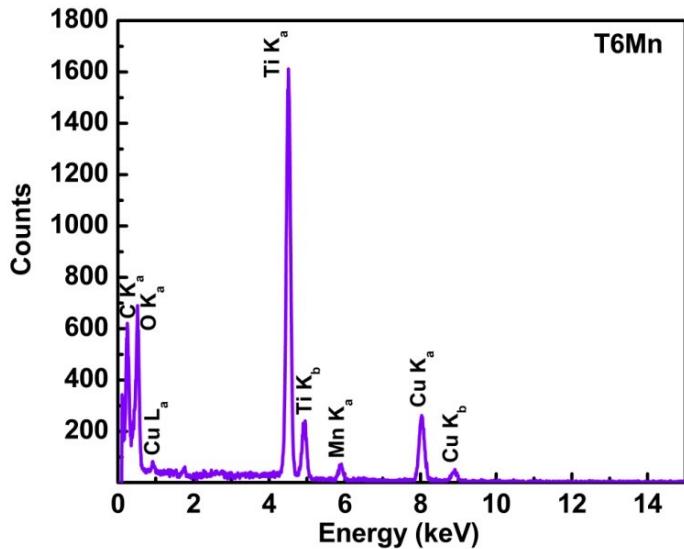


Figure S6: EDS spectra of 6% Mn-doped TiO₂ as a representative of the series

Table S1: Refinement parameters obtained for undoped and Mn-doped TiO₂ nanocrystals

Compound	Pristine TiO₂	T3Mn	T6Mn	T9Mn	T12Mn
Phase	Anatase				
Crystal Structure	Tetragonal				
Space Group	I 41/a m d				
Lattice Parameters					
a(Å)	3.7901(1)	3.7907(4)	3.7911(1)	3.7923(4)	3.7953(5)
c(Å)	9.4923(3)	9.4926(2)	9.4928(1)	9.5136(3)	9.5035(4)
Volume (Å)³	136.35(2)	136.40(3)	136.43(2)	136.82(6)	136.89(1)
Atomic positions					
Ti/Mn_x(4a)	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Ti/Mn_y(4a)	0.7500	0.7500	0.7500	0.7500	0.7500
Ti/Mn_z(4a)	0.1250	0.1250	0.1250	0.1250	0.1250
O_x(8e)	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
O_y(8e)	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500
O_z(8e)	0.0835(5)	0.0762(9)	0.0755(2)	0.0788(8)	0.0712(1)
B_{iso}(Ti/Mn)(Å)²	0.0009	0.0158	0.0197	0.0261	0.0205
B_{iso}(O)(Å)²	0.0075	0.0789	0.0861	0.0324	0.0576
Occ(Ti)	0.1250	0.1213	0.1175	0.1137	0.1100
Occ(Mn)	-	0.0037	0.0075	0.0112	0.0150
Occ(O)	0.1250	0.1250	0.1250	0.1250	0.1250
Residual Parameters					
R_p	4.56	3.68	3.51	3.55	2.98
R_{wp}	5.77	5.15	4.79	4.85	3.90
χ²	1.89	1.49	1.22	1.15	1.55

Table S2: Variation of FWHM with Mn doping for all the samples

Sample	FWHM
TP	0.63612
T3Mn	0.62970
T6Mn	0.60726
T9Mn	0.57399
T12Mn	0.56651

Table S3: ED-XRFS results showing Ti:Mn ratio for all the Mn-doped TiO_2 nanocrystals

Sample	TiO_2 (%)	MnO (%)	Ti:Mn (Nominal)	Ti:Mn (Real)
T3Mn	97.15	2.85	32.33	30.26
T6Mn	94.31	5.69	15.67	14.72
T9Mn	91.28	8.72	10.11	9.30
T12Mn	88.47	11.53	7.33	6.82