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• Detailed FTIR spectra of ZSA91 (dip coated on KBr pellets) with different thermal treatments



Bands corresponding to the template (v_{CH} at 2850-2920; v_{C-O-C} at 1038 and 1118 cm⁻¹) are lost upon thermal treatment until 300°C, while NH (v_{NH} at 3200 cm⁻¹, δ_{NH} at 1570cm⁻¹; broad primary amine band at 650-895 cm⁻¹) and a fraction of the CH species (remaining CH bands at 2850-2920 cm⁻¹) are conserved until 350°C indicating that the propylamino dangling groups are conserved. Si-O-Zr bands are observed at 960-1000 cm⁻¹ and no Si-O-Si bands (1000-1200 cm⁻¹) are observed, ruling out phase segregation.



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• Detailed FTIR spectra of ZSP82(dip coated on KBr pellets) with different thermal treatments

Bands corresponding to phenyl vibrations (weak v_{CH} at 3056 and 3079 cm⁻¹; v_{Si-Ph} at 1133 cm⁻¹, C-H oop deformation at 704 and 740 cm⁻¹) suffer no significant degradation until 200°C and they are clearly observed until 300°C, when the template is totally eliminated (no more bands at 2850-2920 - v_{CH} - and 1038 and 1118 cm⁻¹ - v_{C-O-C} - are observed). Treatment at 350°C causes function lost as evidenced by the phenyl bands disappearance.

• Cu(II) adsorption in ZSA82 as assessed by EDS



After 200min immersed in a Cu(II) solution (150ppm), ZSA82 film presents a Cu/Si relation of 0.24, indicating the pores and the functions attached to them are accesibles to cations. SiO_2 or ZrO_2 films doesn't adsorb copper in the same conditions, showing the amino function is esential to cations adsorption.

• DHDP (sl 0.01M in THF) adsorption into ZrO₂ and FZSA films as a function of time



The CH bands at 2800-2900 cm⁻¹ are followed by FTIR in transmission mode by placing the film directly in the measurement chamber. In this way of measurement, only

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the additional CH band (different from the original function, i.e. propylamino groups) are observed, as is show at the right figure.

Adsorption kinetics of DHDP show a fast incorporation (80% of the total amount within 5 minutes, left figure), in a lower quantity than in cubic ZrO_2 films with comparable thickness (450-470 nm as assessed by ellipsometry, data treatment by Maxwell-Garnett approximation) and porosity (30%), thus accessibility. This suggests that a fraction of the surface sites is not available for complexation, and it should be thus occupied by the R functions. Additionally, SiO₂ films with comparable thickness and accessibility do not adsorb DHDP, showing the specific phosphate-Zr interaction.



• Leaching of DHDP-functionalised $(ZrSi(CH_2)_3)O_2$ (Si/Zr+Si=0,1) in THF as a function of time

Leaching is performed by dipping a bifunctionalised film in THF, in which DHDP is soluble. The % leaching is estimated by analysing the relative decrease of the v_{CH} FTIR band. *Ca.* 5% leaching is observed in the first five hours; less than 10% is lost within 2 days leaching. Analogous results are obtained with monododecyl phosphate; slightly higher leachings (*ca.* 15-20%) are obtained with Ti-based hybrids (work in progress).