

**Supporting Information**

**Preservation phenomena of methane hydrate in pore spaces**

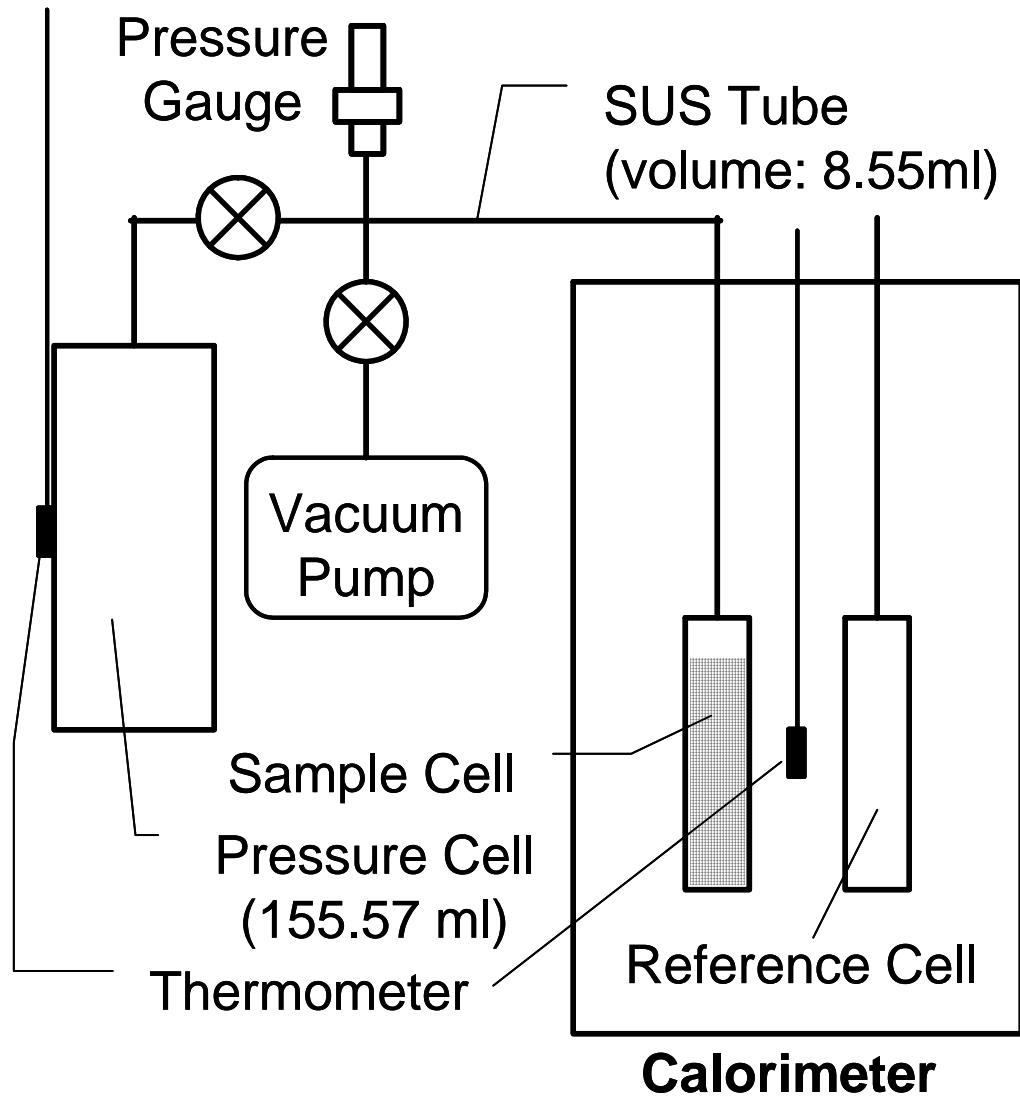
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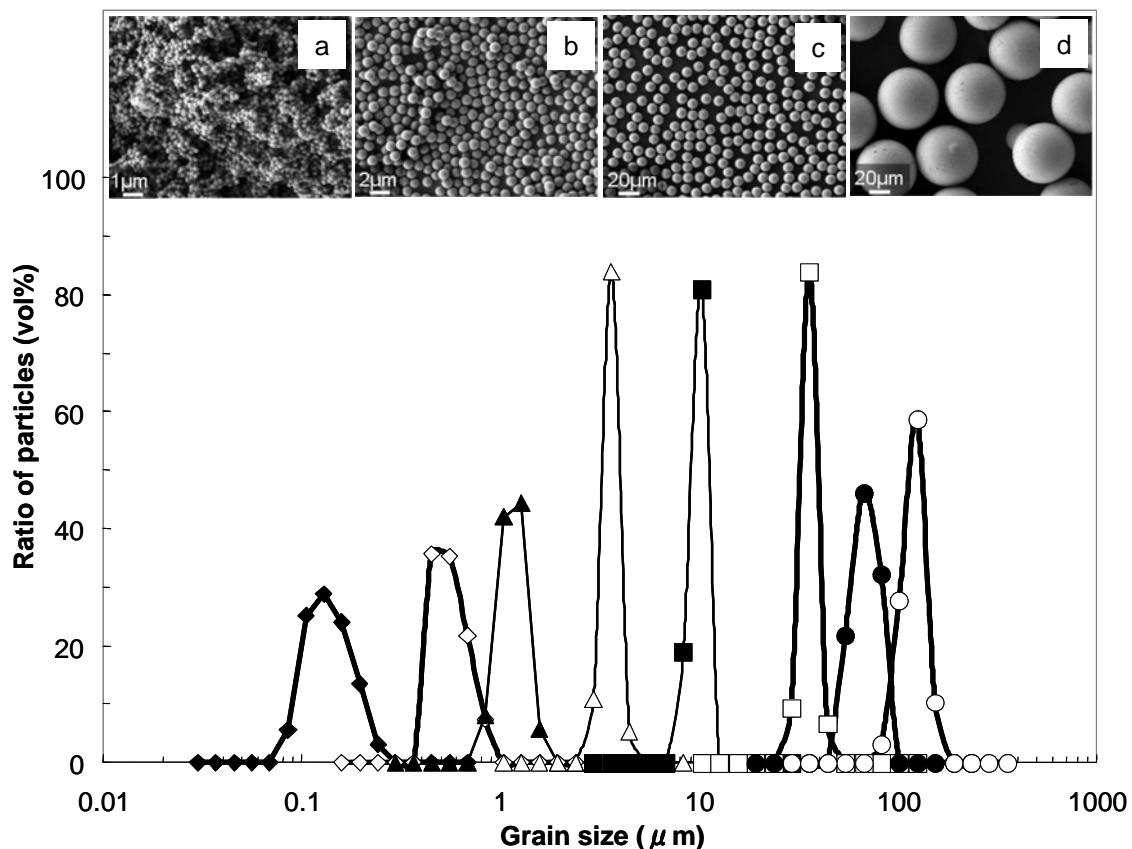
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**Fig. S1.** Schematic view of the calorimetric system.<sup>1</sup>



**Fig. S2.** Grain-size distribution of glass beads measured using a laser diffraction particle-size analyzer (SALD-2100, Shimadzu Corporation, Kyoto, Japan) and images of the beads using FE-SEM (JSM-7400F, JEOL Ltd., Tokyo, Japan). (a) N2N, (b) N3N 0.98 μm, (c) N3N 8.66 μm, (d) GBL-60.

**Table S1** Characteristics of glass beads and water contents of samples. The grain-size distributions were measured using a laser diffraction particle-size analyzer (SALD-2100, Shimadzu Corporation, Kyoto, Japan).

Size of particles, $\mu\text{m}$	Type of specimens (Company)	Material	Water content (MH+glass beads), %	Water content (ice+glass beads), %
100.36(7)	SPL-100 (UNITIKA)	CaO-Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> -SiO <sub>2</sub> GLASS	18.1	16.1
56.33(7)	GBL-60 (The Association of Powder Process Industry and Engineering)	CaO-Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> -SiO <sub>2</sub> GLASS	14.1	—
30.82(5)	GBL-30 (The Association of Powder Process Industry and Engineering)	CaO-Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> -SiO <sub>2</sub> GLASS	16.1	17.9
8.66(5)	N3N (UBE-NITTO KASEI CO., LTD.)	SiO <sub>2</sub> GLASS (99.9%)	18.6	—
3.15(5)	N3N (UBE-NITTO KASEI CO., LTD.)	SiO <sub>2</sub> GLASS (99.9%)	21.0	—
0.98(7)	N3N (UBE-NITTO KASEI CO., LTD.)	SiO <sub>2</sub> GLASS (99.9%)	17.6	—
0.44(8)	COSMO 55 (JGC C&C)	SiO <sub>2</sub> GLASS (99.9%)	18.4	16.9
0.11(10)	N2N (UBE-NITTO KASEI CO., LTD.)	SiO <sub>2</sub> GLASS (99.9%)	20.3	15.5

## Reference

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