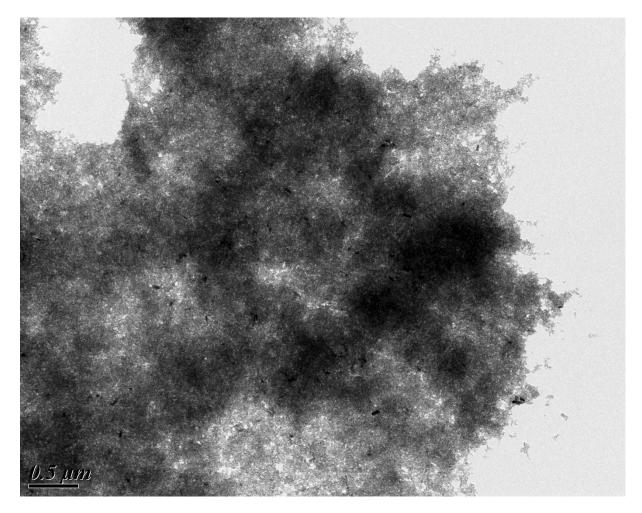
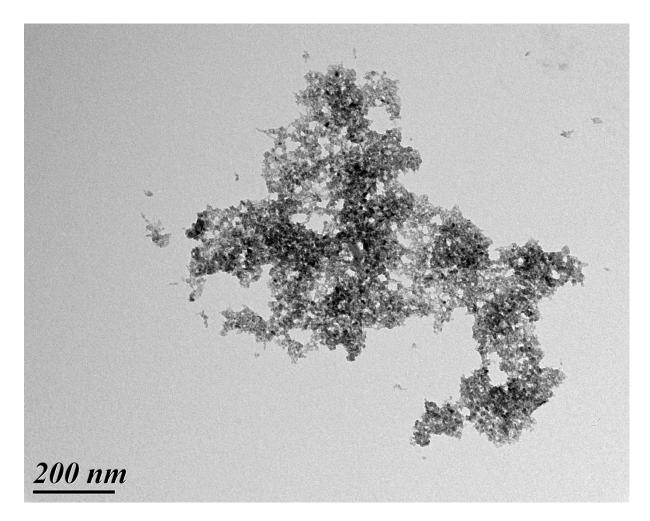


S1 - Transmission Electron Microscopy image of dispersed TiO_2 NPs at pH 4.5 and $500,000 \times$ magnification. Isolated and small aggregates are observed. [TiO_2] = 100 mg/L.

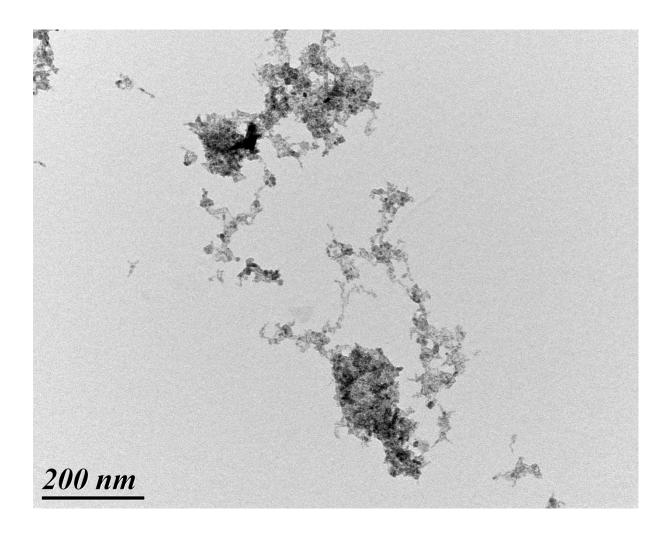


S2 - TEM image of TiO $_2$ aggregates at $pH=6.2=pH_{PZC,TiO_2}$ and 30,000× magnification.

Large agglomerates are observed. [TiO $_2$] = 100 mg/L.



S3 - TEM image of TiO_2 NPs aggregate fragments at pH 6.2 in the presence of alginate at $120{,}000\times$ magnification. The presence of alginate resulted in the fragmentation of agglomerates. [TiO_2] = 100 mg/L; [Alginate] = 6 mg/L.



S4 - TEM image of TiO_2 NPs aggregate fragments at pH = 6.2 in the presence of SRHA at $100{,}000\times$ magnification. The presence of SRHA lead to the fragmentation of agglomerates. [TiO_2] = 100 mg/L; [SRHA] = 10 mg/L.