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Domain-Confined Catalytic Soot Combustion over Co_3O_4 Anchored on TiO_2 Nanotubes Array Catalyst Prepared by Mercaptoacetic Acid Induced Surface-Grafting

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D (nm) ^a	11.2	4.3	4.6
Co/Ti (molar ratio) ^b	1/23	1/32	1/34
Co_3O_4 content (wt %) ^c	2.00	2.06	2.02

^a D : the average particle size of Co_3O_4 calculated by TEM images.

^b Co/Ti: the molar ratio obtained through EDX results.

^c Co_3O_4 content: the weight percentage obtained through AAS analysis.

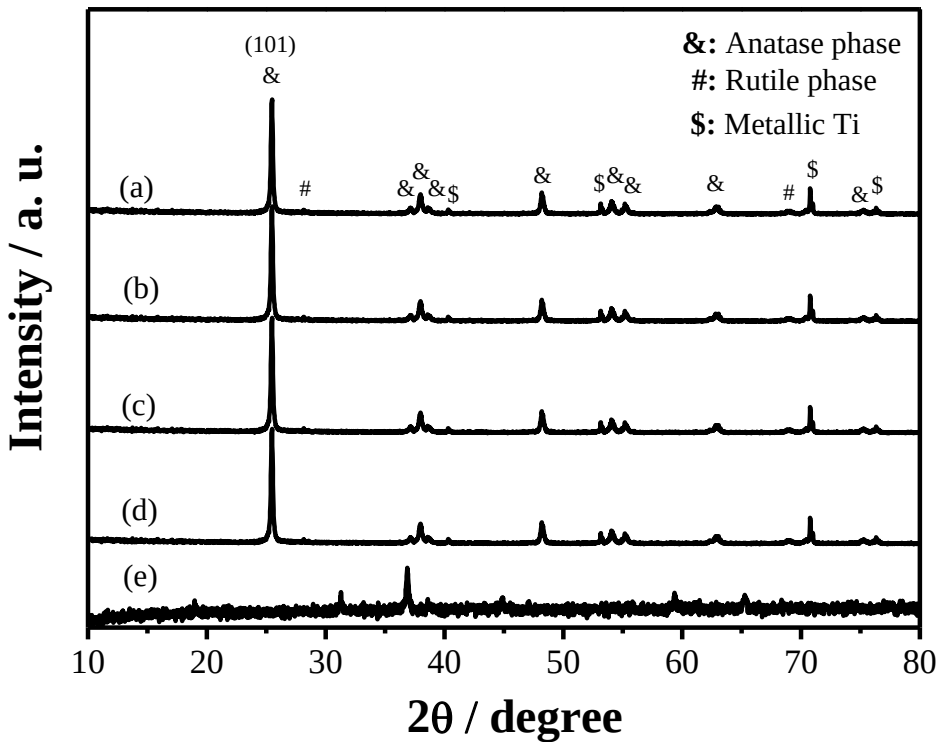


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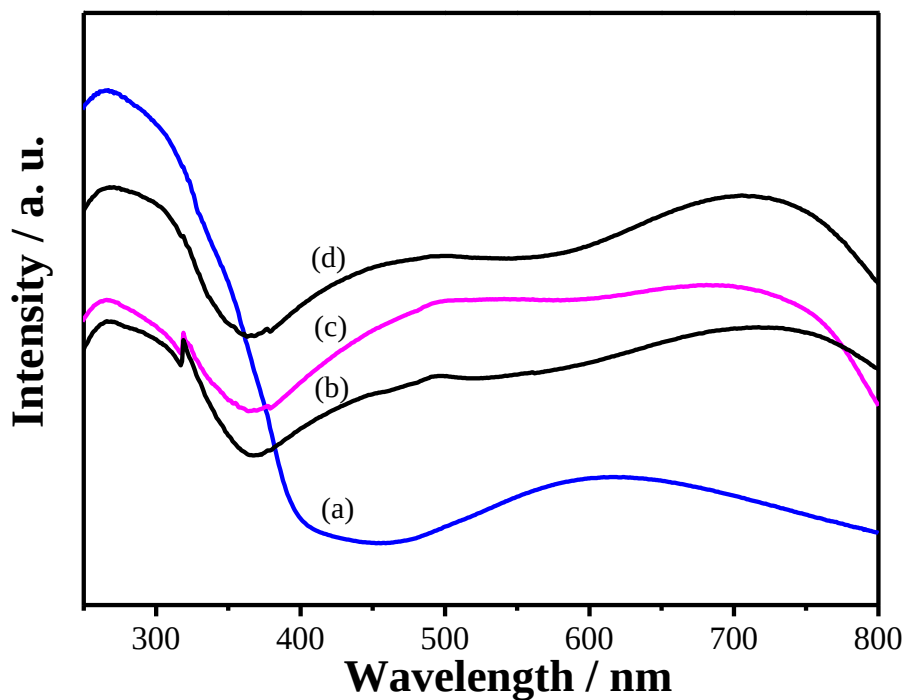


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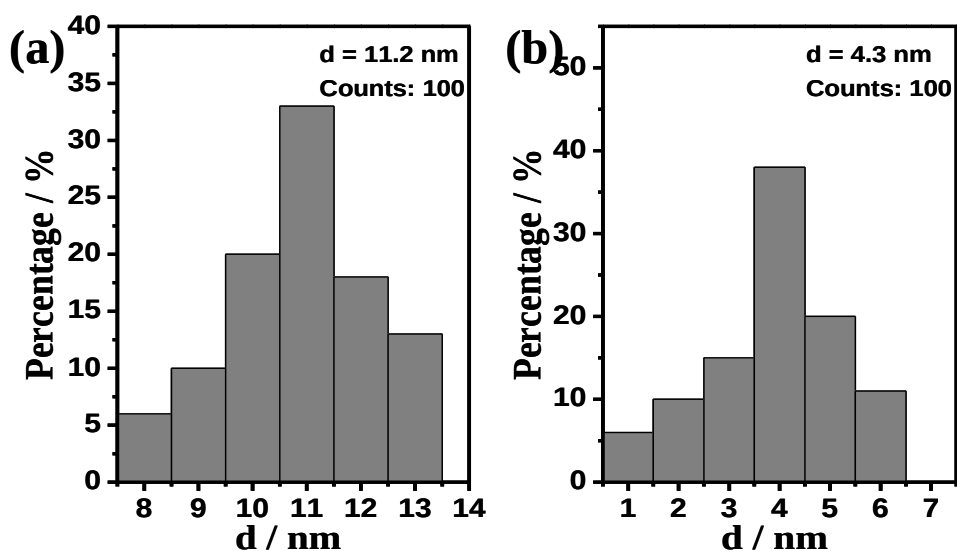


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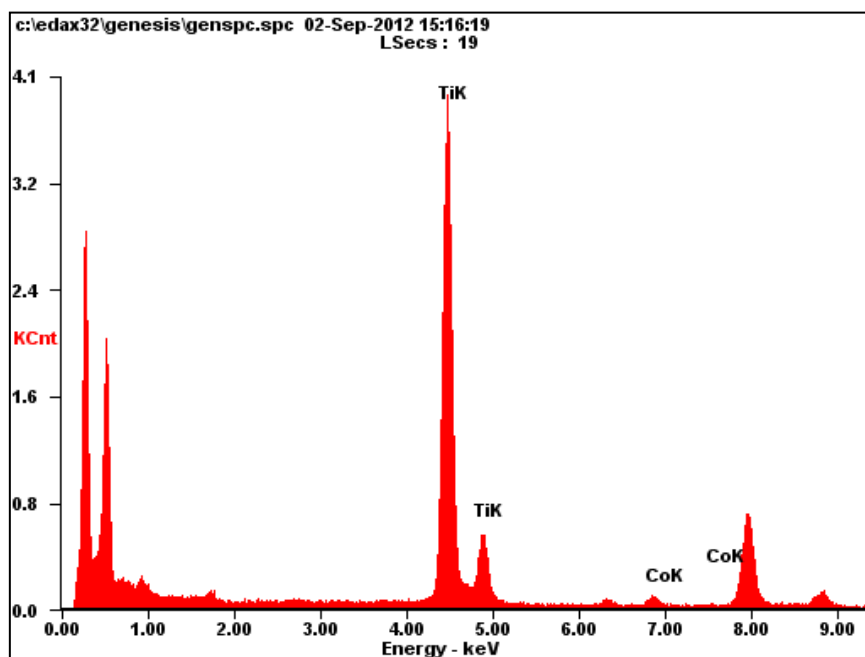


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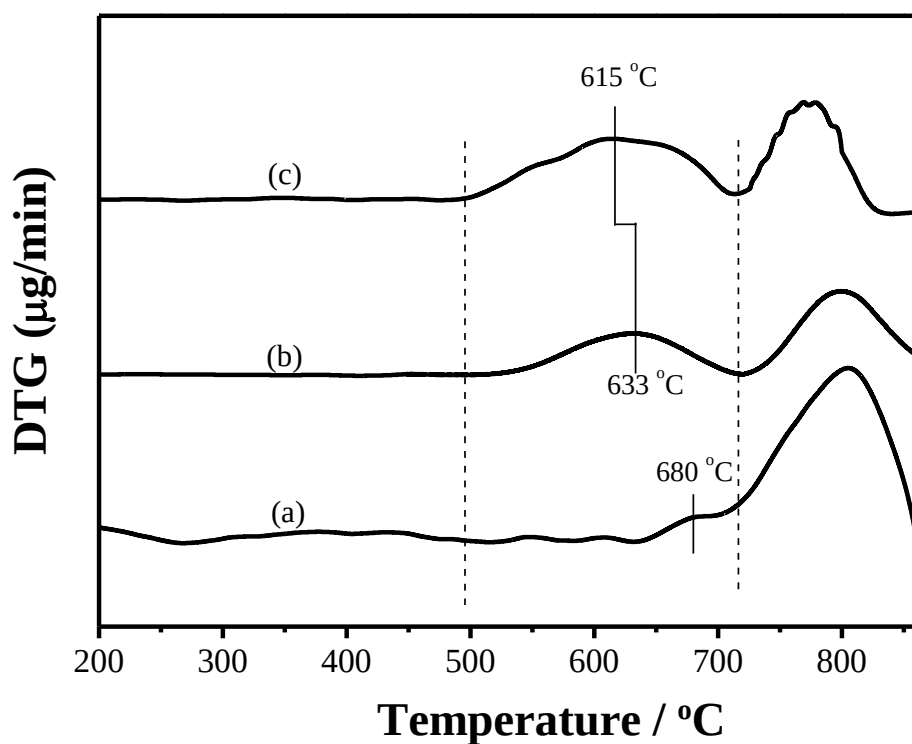


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