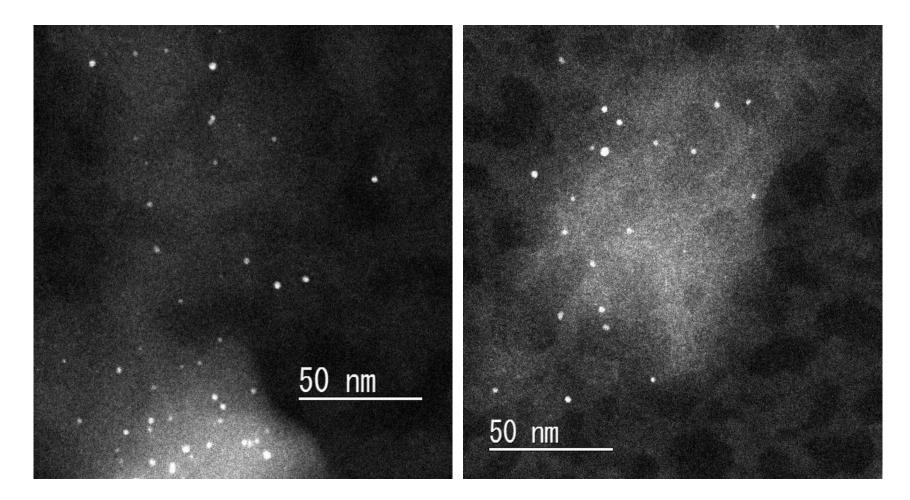
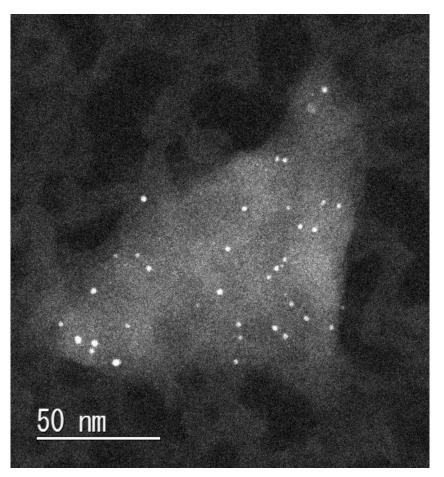
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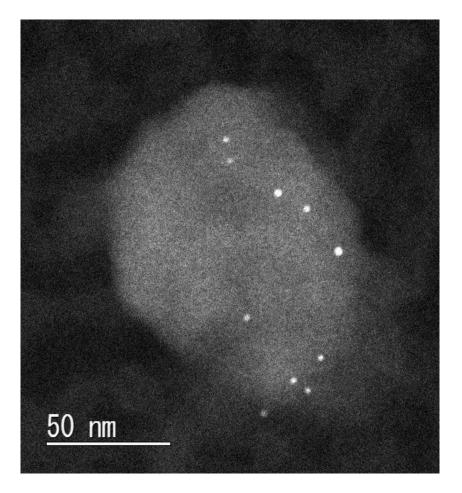
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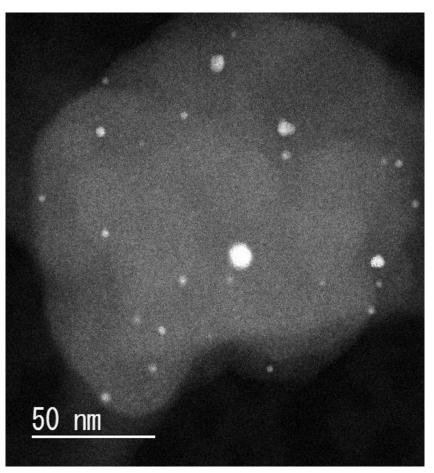
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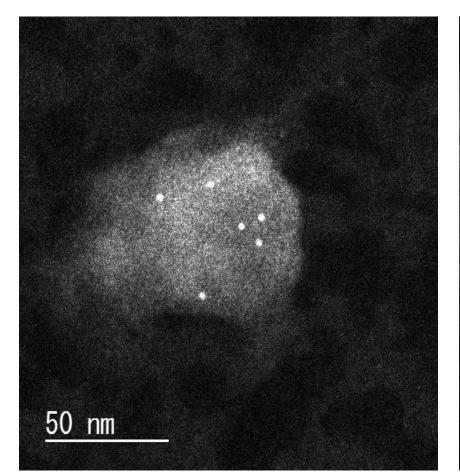
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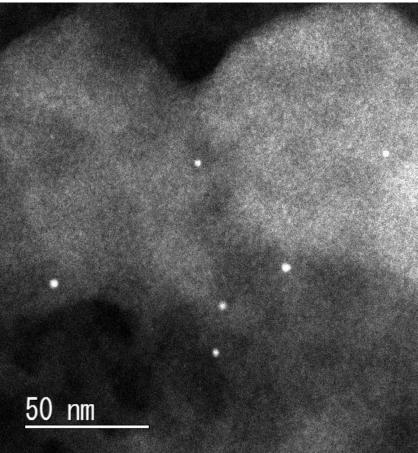
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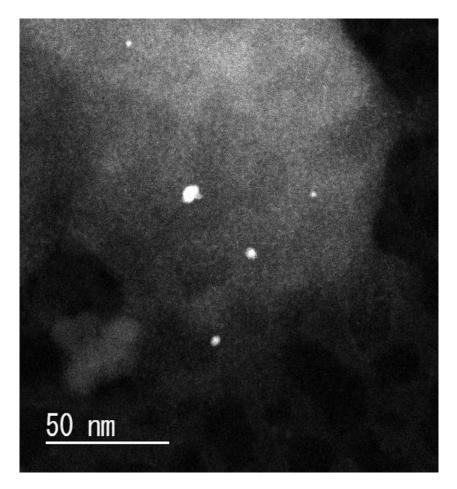


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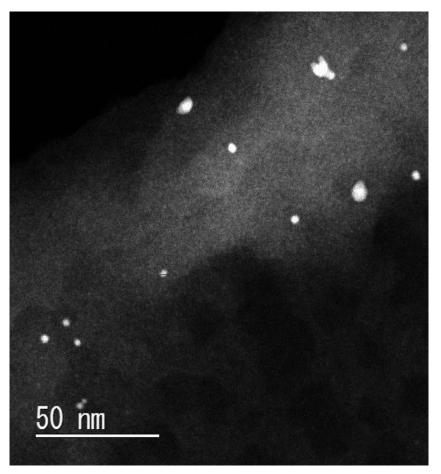


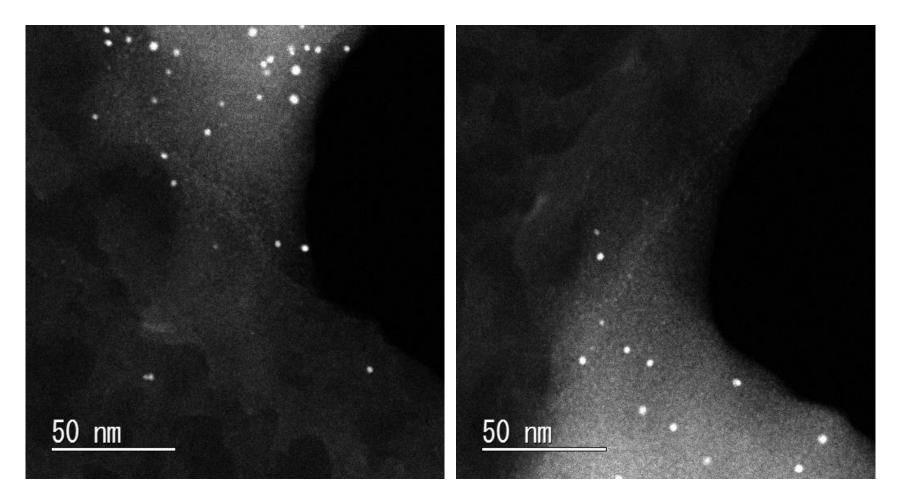


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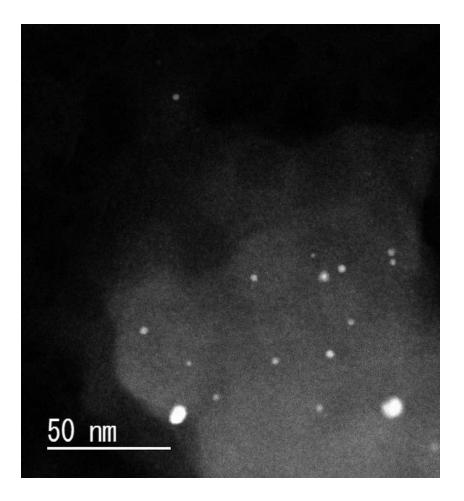


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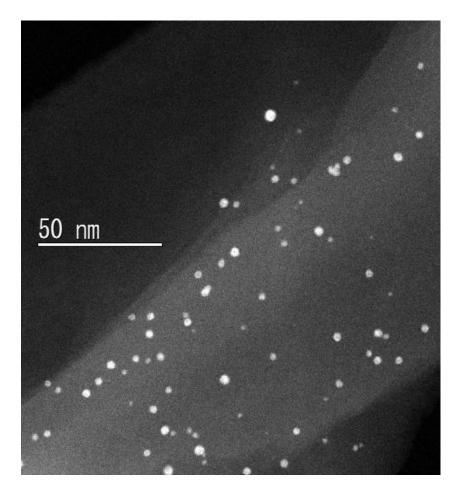




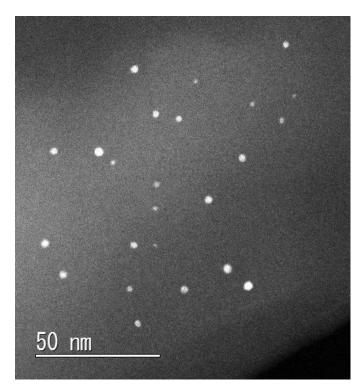
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All STEM images for measuring particle size distribution (Catalyst No.3)



Pd ion exchange  $\rightarrow$  reduction $\rightarrow$ Au ion exchange  $\rightarrow$  reduction (Catalyst No. 3 in Table 1) STEM image 3-1



Pd ion exchange → reduction→ Au ion exchange → reduction (Catalyst No. 3 in Table 1) STEM image 3-2

