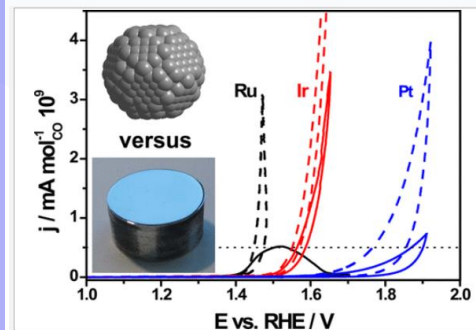


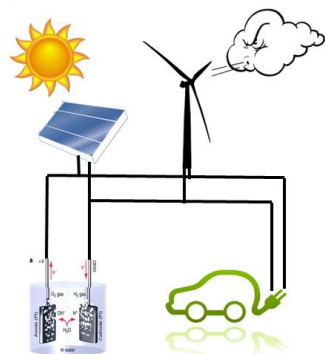
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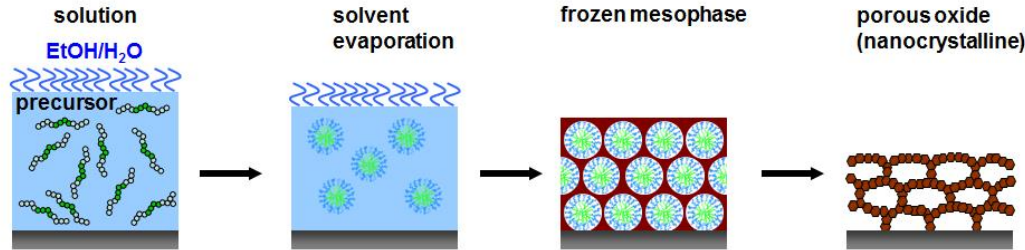


The diagram illustrates the Oxygen Evolution Reaction (OER) on an Ir catalyst. Water molecules (H_2O) are shown being converted into oxygen gas (O_2) on the surface of an Ir catalyst. A yellow arrow labeled "OER" indicates the reaction pathway. A question mark is placed near the Ir catalyst surface, suggesting a focus on the reaction mechanism or catalyst performance.

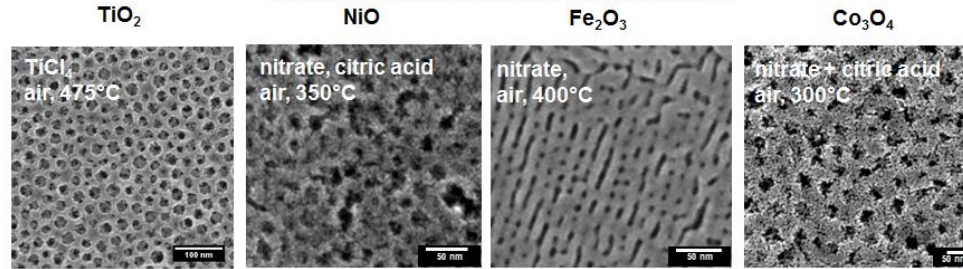


Mesoporous electrodes

Porous templated oxide films via EISA (Evaporation induced self assembly)



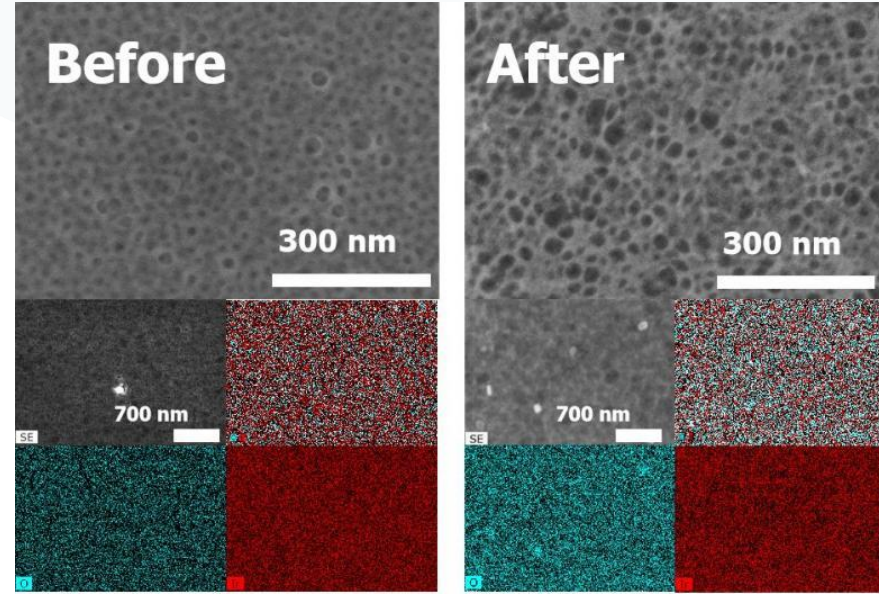
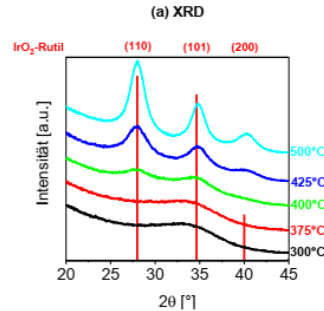
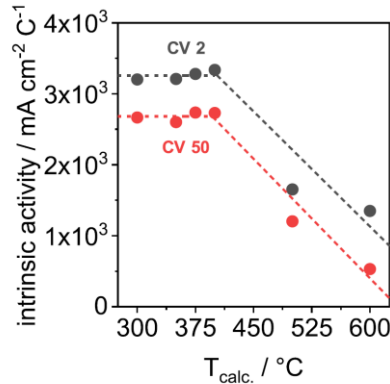
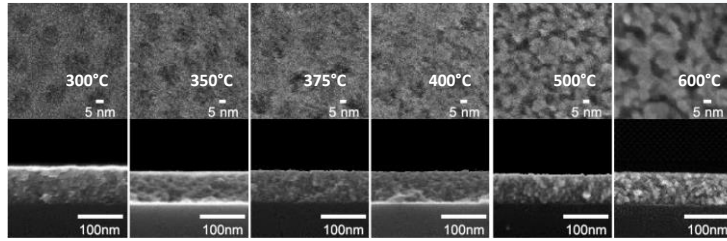
Different metal oxides accessible



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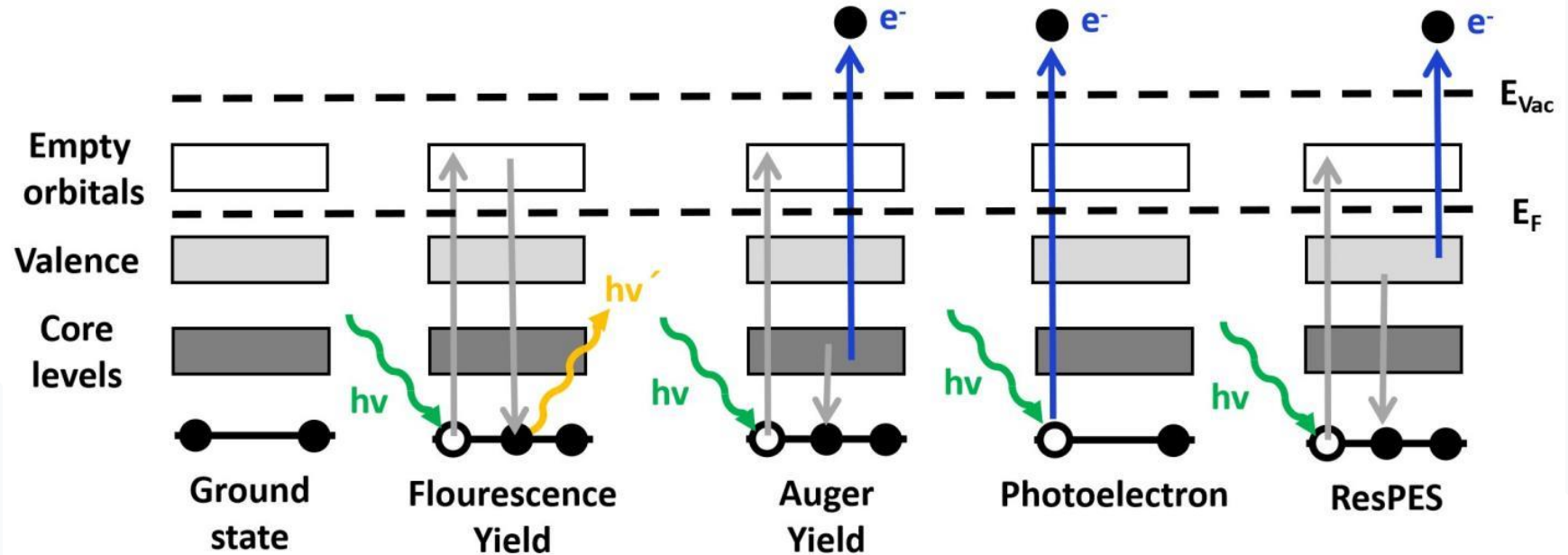
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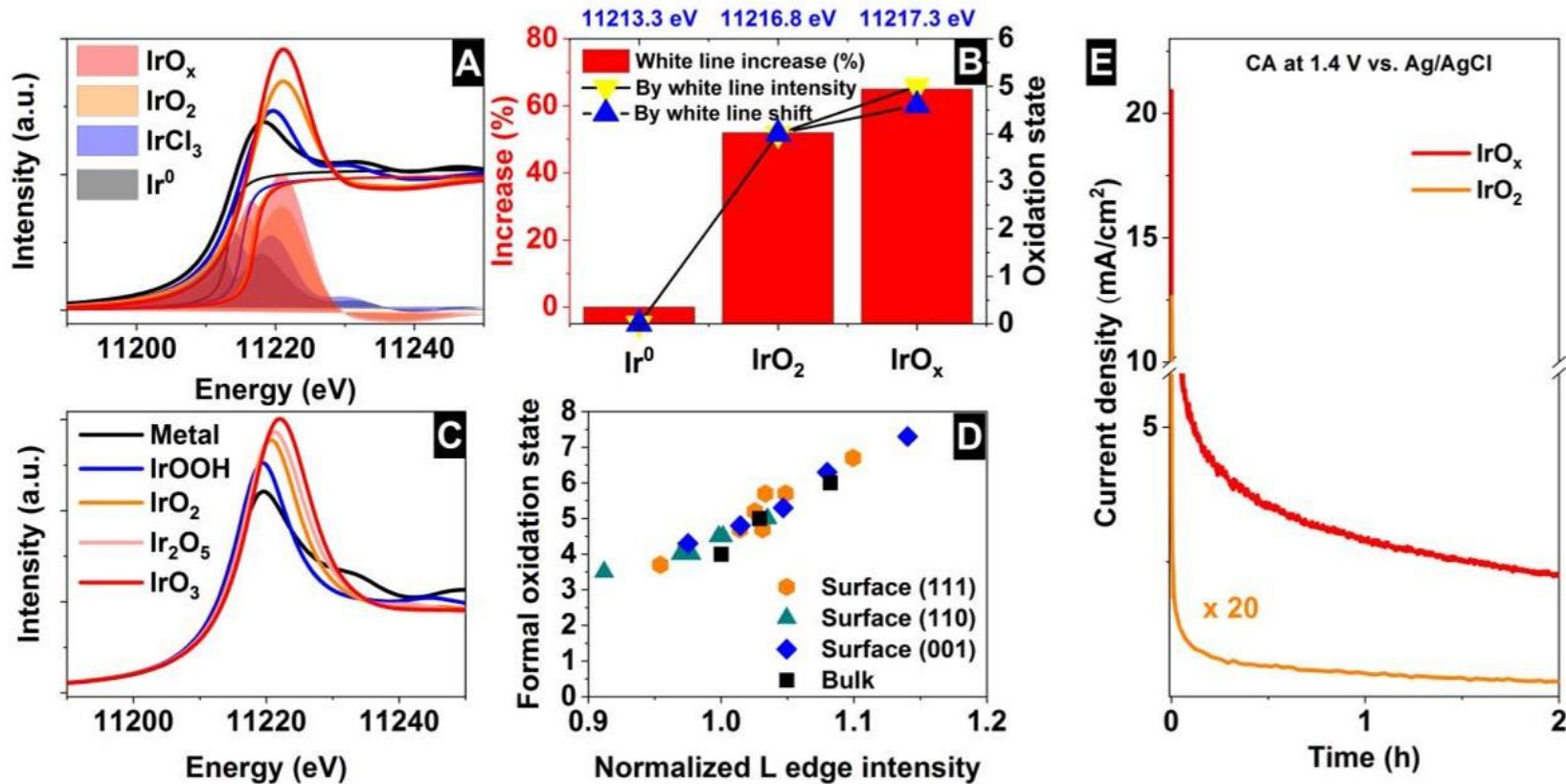


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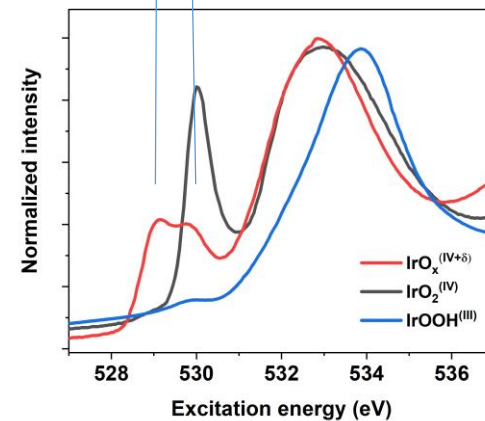
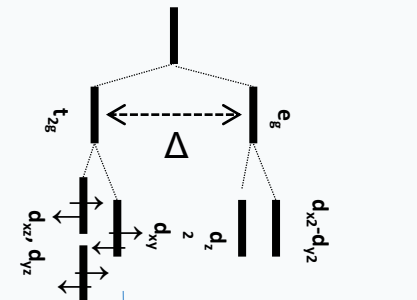
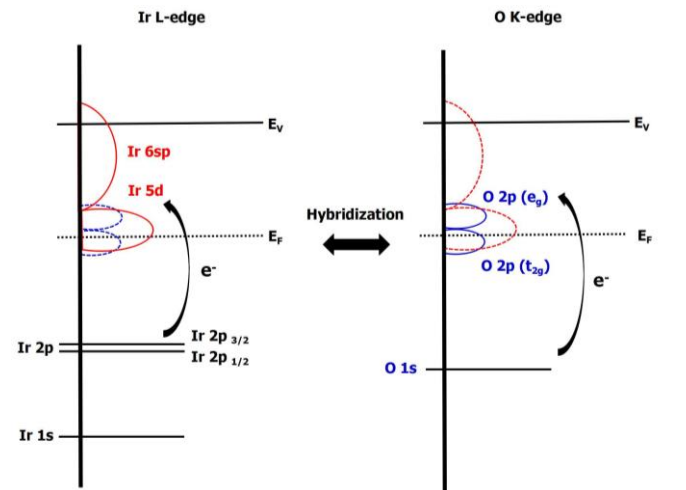
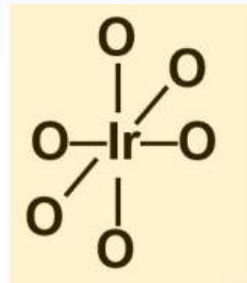
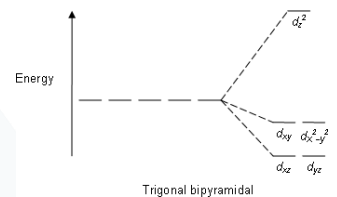
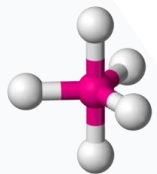
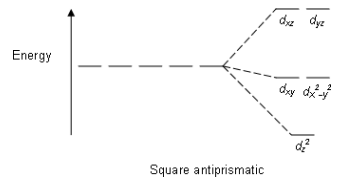
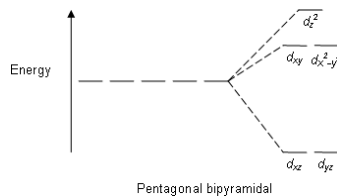
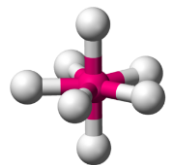
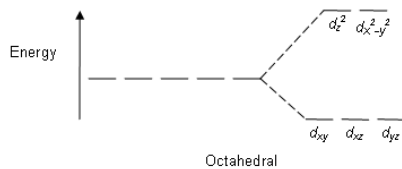
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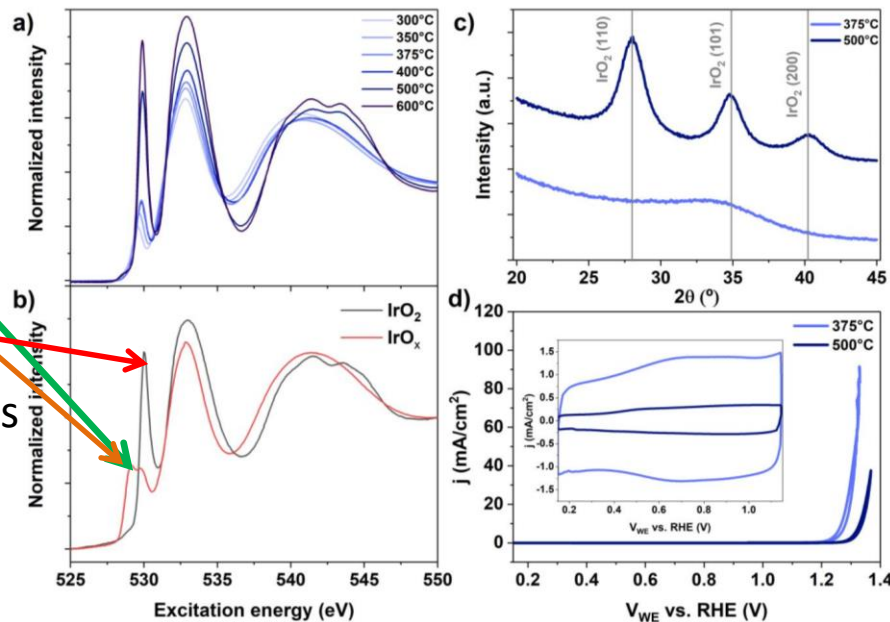
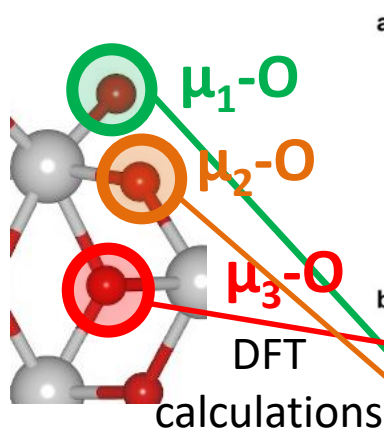
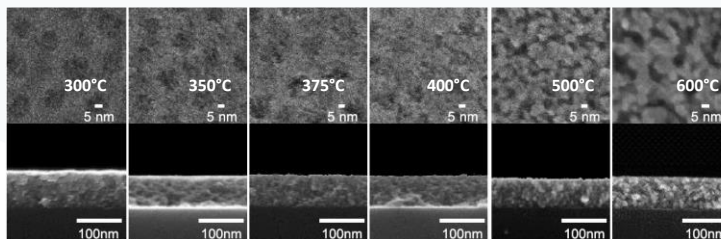


Ex situ, references samples



Oxidation state (crystal field IrO_x)



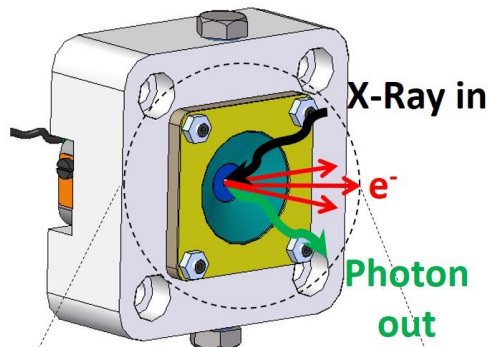


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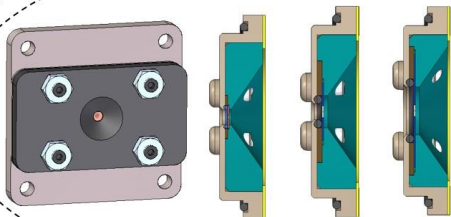
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Operando electrochemical cell

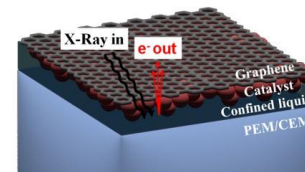
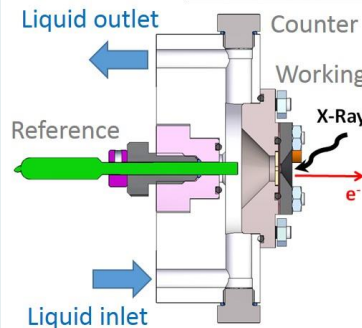
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Exchangeable
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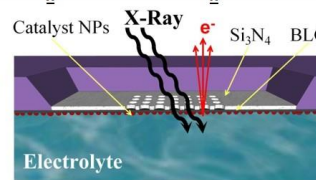
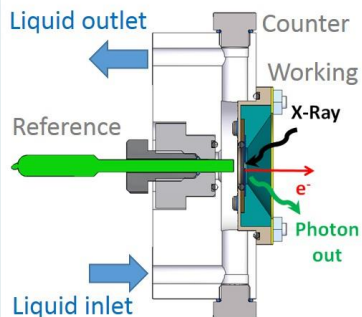


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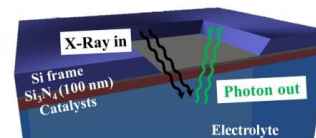


Methods:
XPS/TEY-XAS

Free standing graphene SiN_x Grids and SiN_x membranes

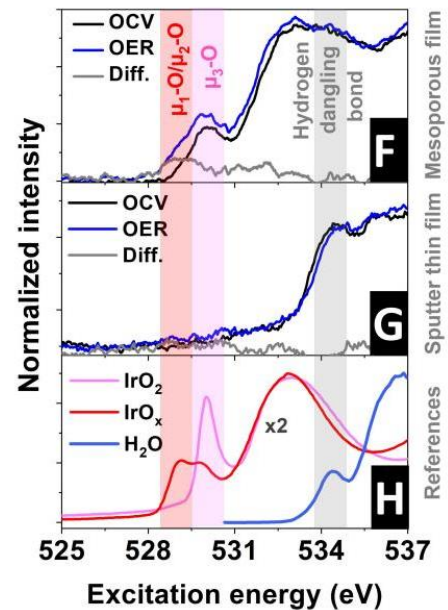
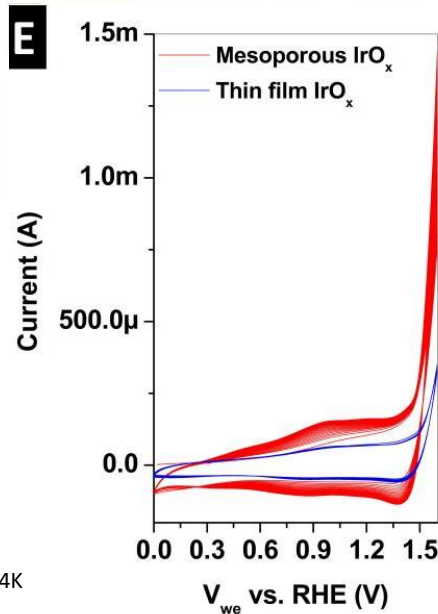
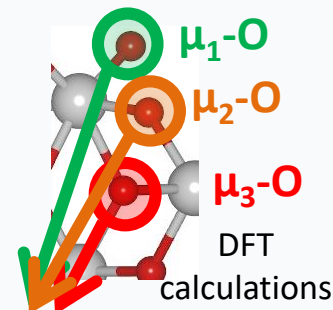
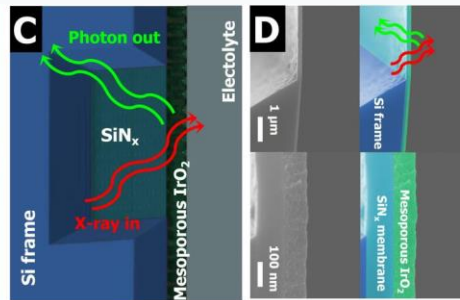
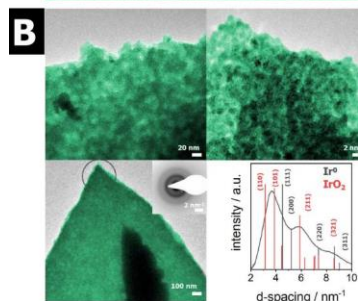
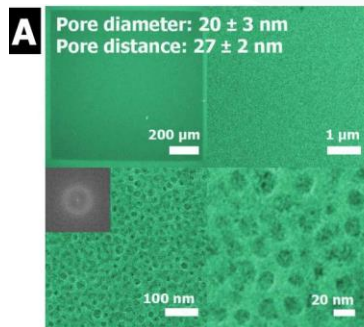


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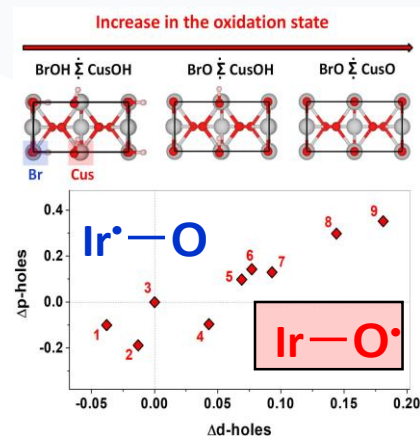
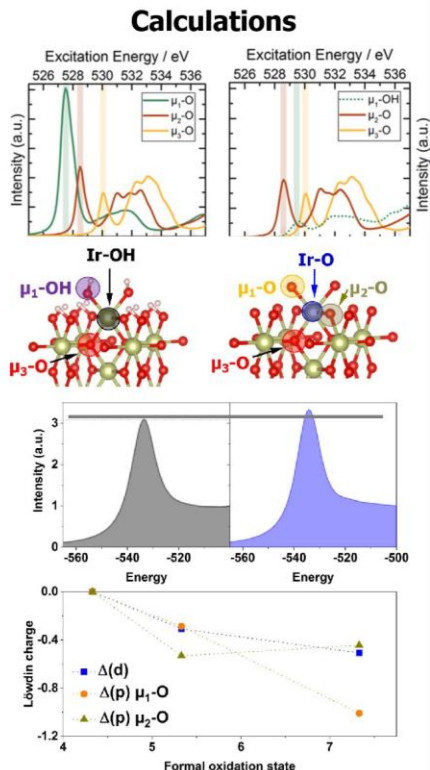
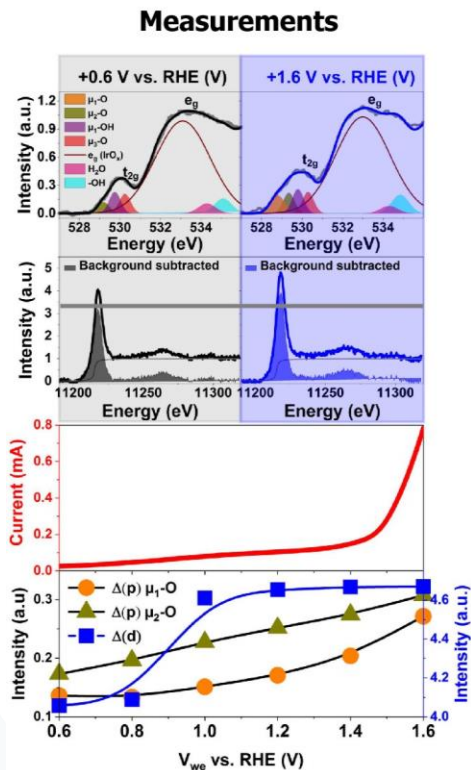
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OER on IrO_x (Photon-in/Photon-out)

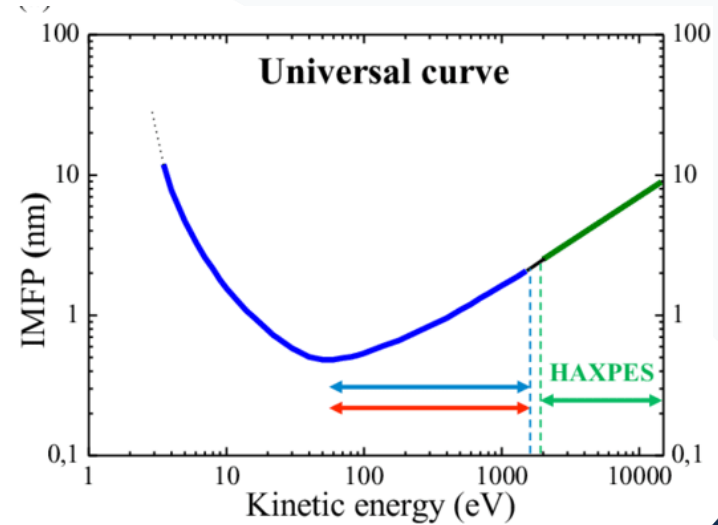
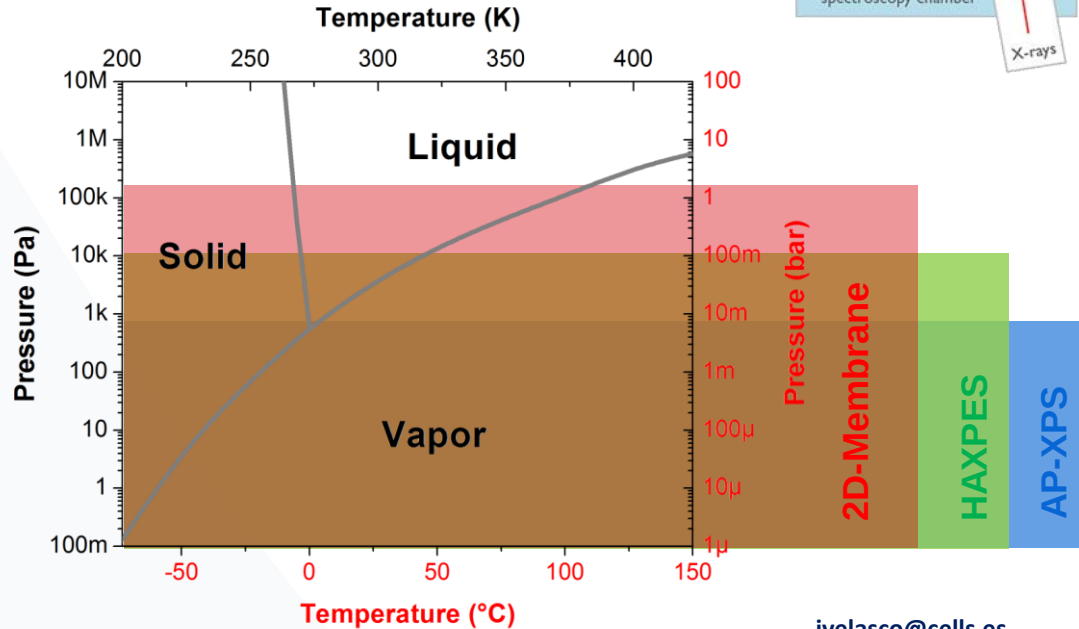
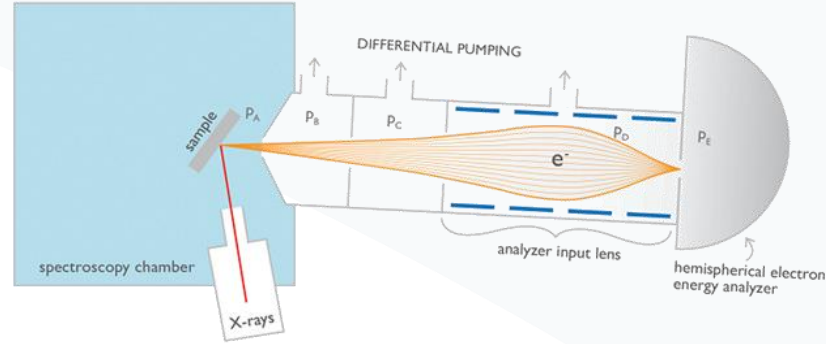


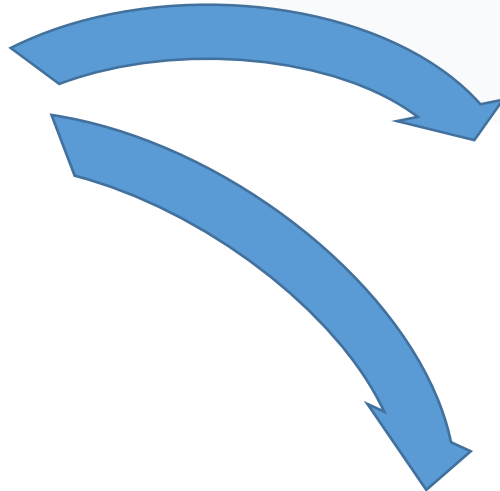
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In situ O K-edge + Ir L₃-edge

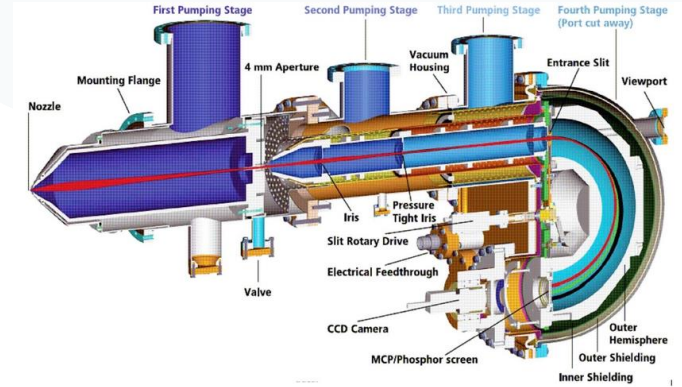


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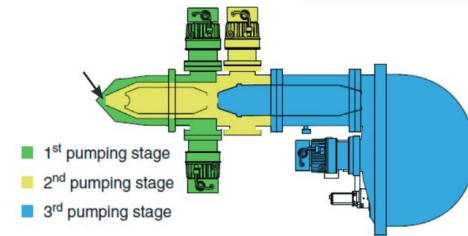
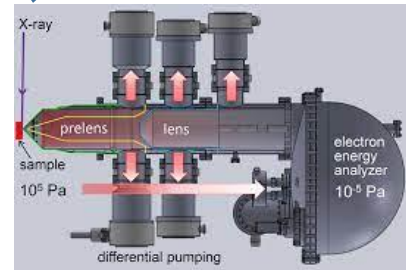
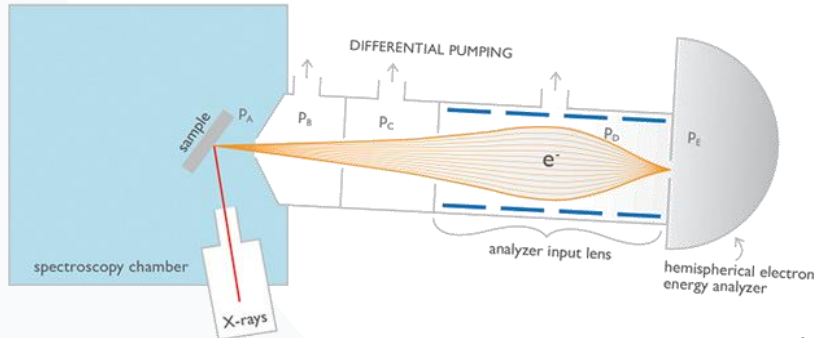


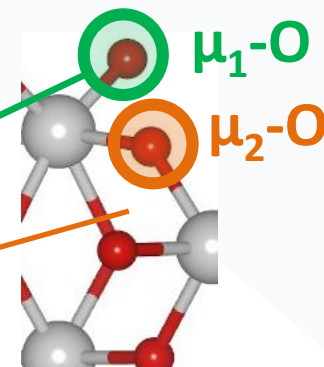
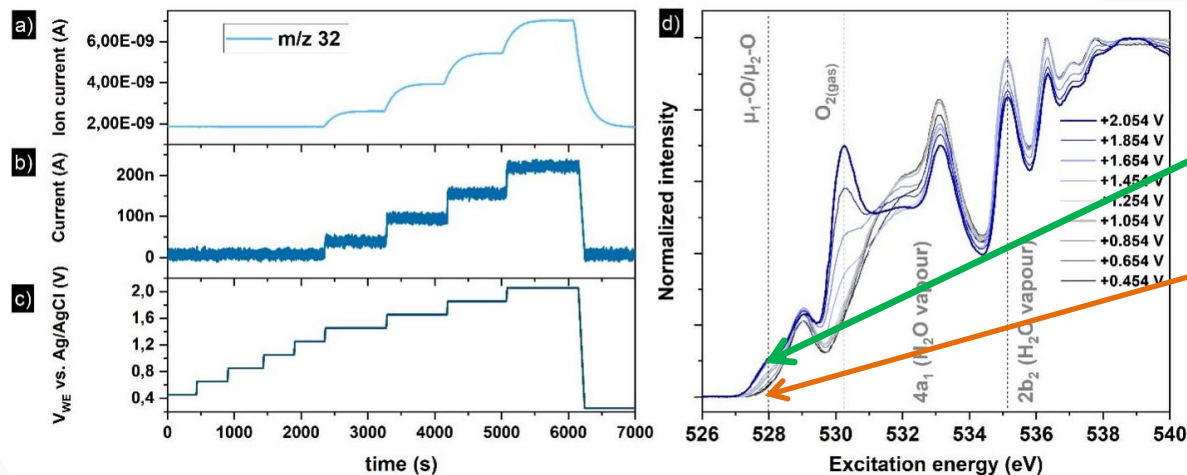
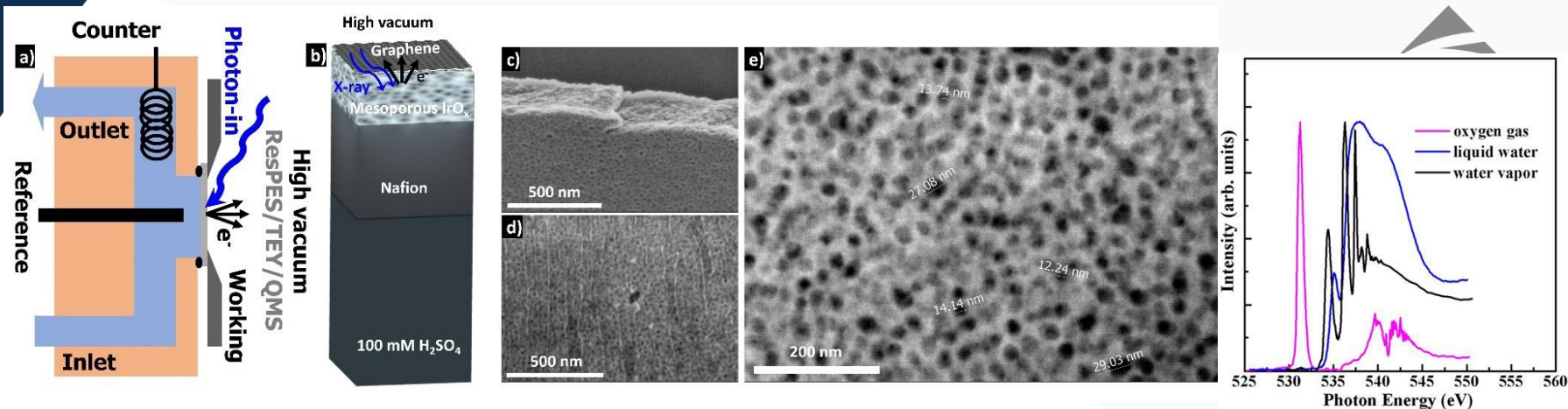


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HiPP-3 NAP analyzer

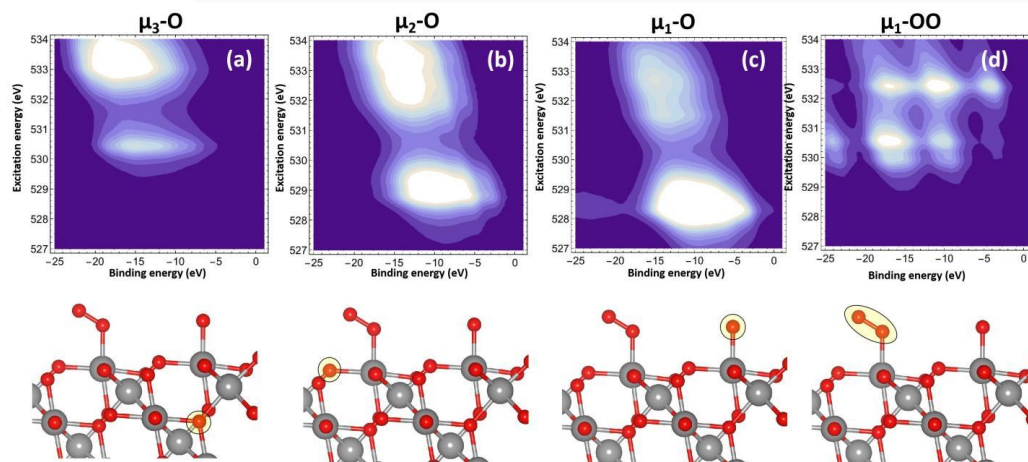
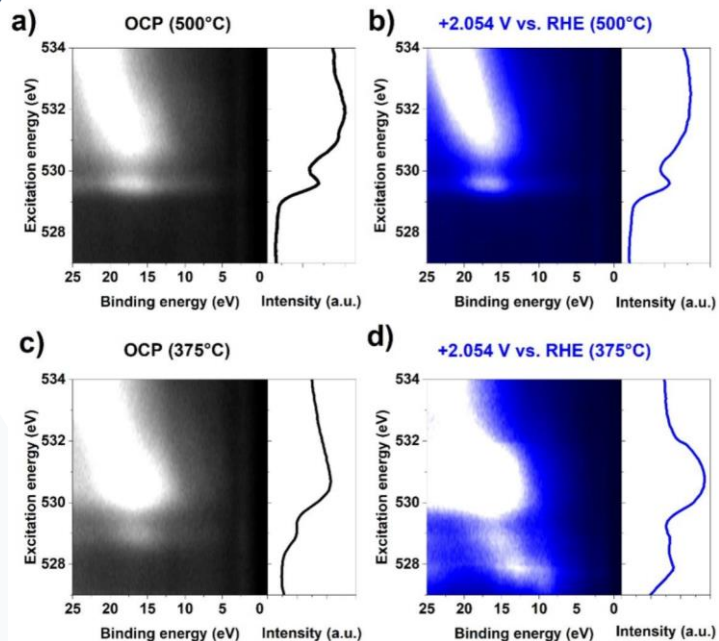




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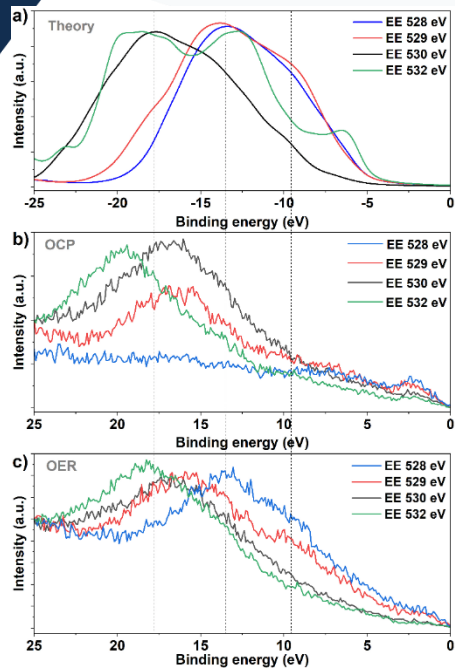
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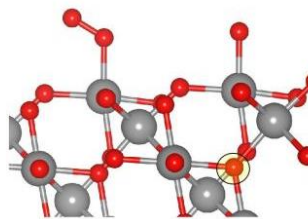
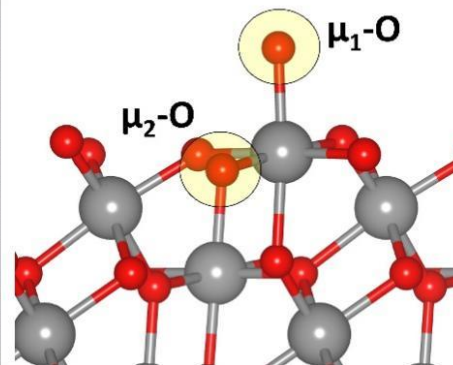
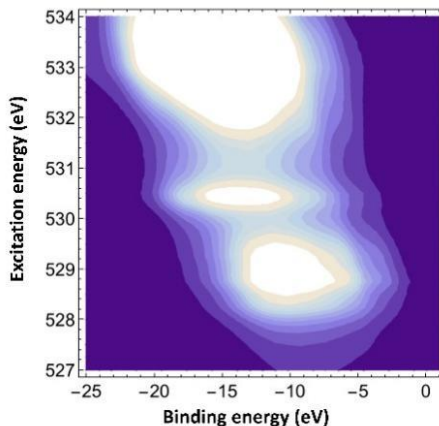
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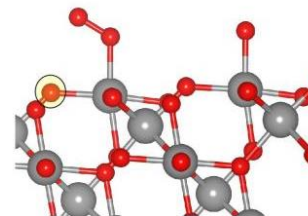


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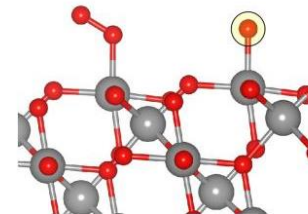
During OER



$\mu_3\text{-O}$ (stability)



$\mu_2\text{-O}$ (Surface electron hole)



$\mu_1\text{-O}$ (Surface active species)

New beamline in ALBA synchrotron



3SBar will combine ambient pressure X-ray Photoemission Spectroscopy (AP-XPS) at high pressures (1 bar or more) and surface X-ray diffraction (SXRD) at grazing incidence angles. First beamline optimized for ALBA II.

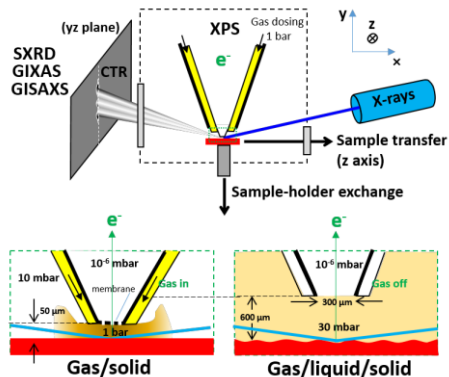
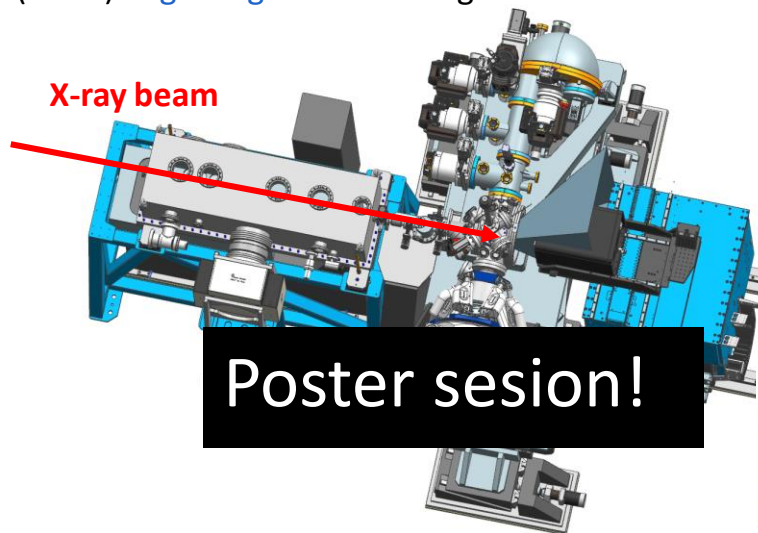
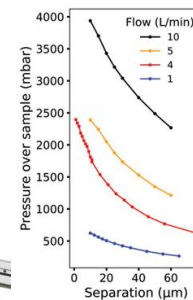


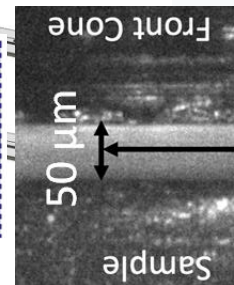
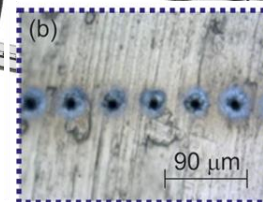
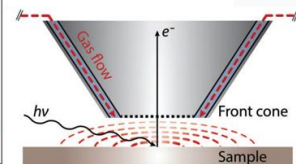
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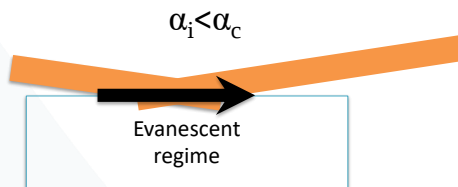
Poster session!



BL15



In operation in 2026



Surface sensitivity

Total external reflection: X-ray depth control

Signal enhancement!

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