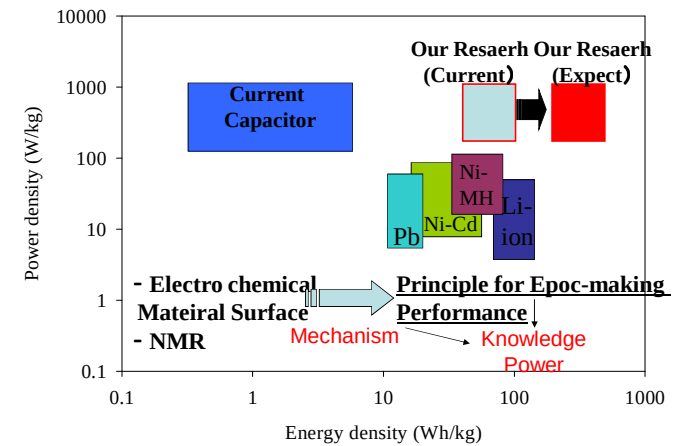


Carbons in Electric Double Layered Capacitor

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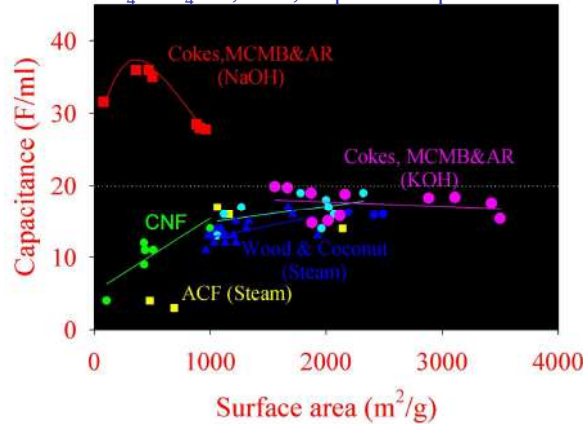
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Now and Future of Capacitance



Relationship between Organic Capacitance and Surface Area

1M Et₄NBF₄/PC, 2.7V, Capacitance per Volume



Electric Storage of EDLC

Targets

Larger Capacity per Volume

High Rate of Charge-Discharge

→ Better Carbon Electrode, Guideline?

More Adsorption at Large Rate in the Adsorbent of Limited Volume

Wetting to Carbon Surface → Penetration into Pores → Adsorption on Wall Surface → Polarized Charge → Outlet from Pore → Discharge / Desorption

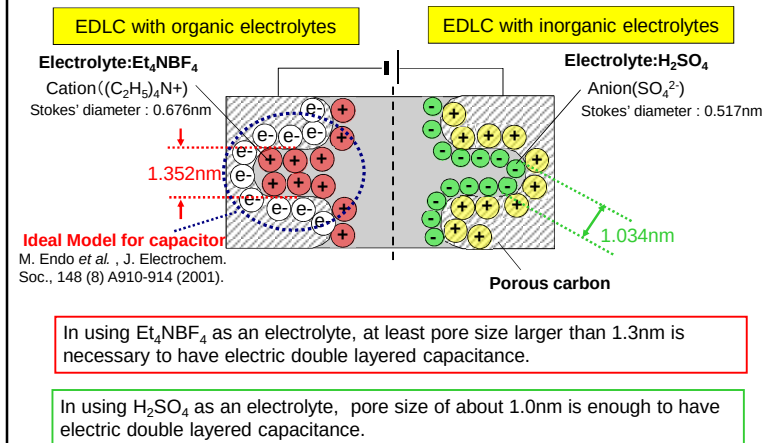
First Cycle

→ Sizes of Electrolyte vs. Pore for Penetration
Invasion into Matrix or very narrow pore of wall

→ Density Change or Expansion of Matrix,
Volumetric Change of Electrode

Mobility and Adsorbed Amount of Electrolyte as well as Structure of Electrode May Change under Electric Field

Conjecture of pore size using capacitance data



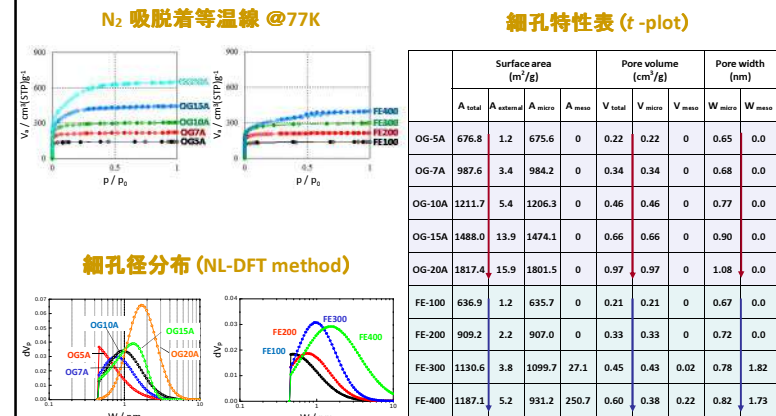
Capacity governing factors

- Surface area
- Pore size and its distribution
- Surface (Edge and Basal, Heterogeneous atom functional groups)
- Crystallinity of carbons (Resistivity)
- ...

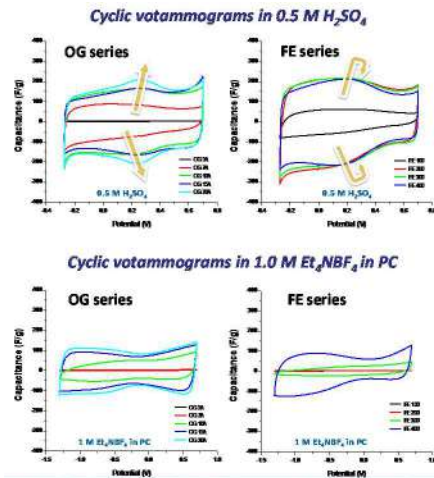
Best Carbon

- Pore structure: Right pore exclusively
 - » Too large or small pores are useless
- Pore wall : Hexagonal edge
 - » Graphitizable carbon (Higher conductive)
- Density : Least closed pore
 - » Finer particles are desirable, but packing density should be maximized in the electrode
- Functional groups : Effectiveness
 - » Oxygen functional groups have to be minimized
 - » Other heterogeneous groups are still on studying.

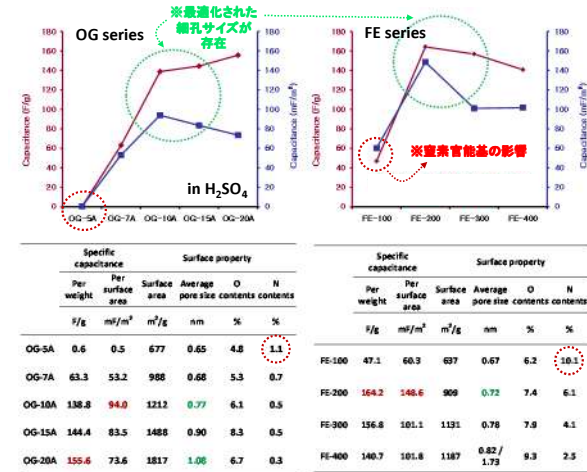
Characterizations of Pitch and PAN based ACFs



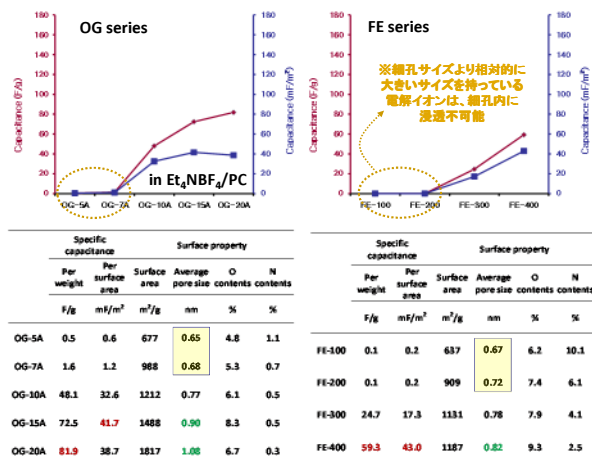
CV results of Pitch & PAN based ACFs



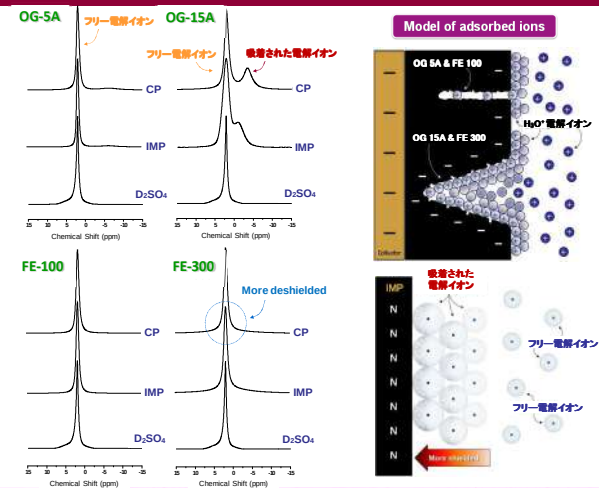
Pore size vs. Capacitance (Non-organic system)

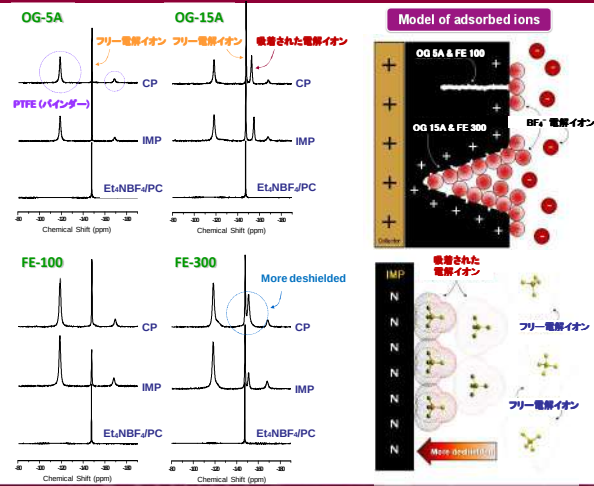
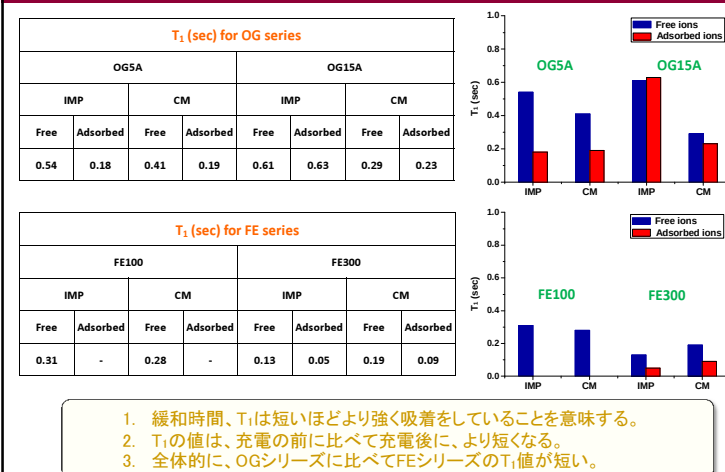


Pore size vs. Capacitance (Organic system)



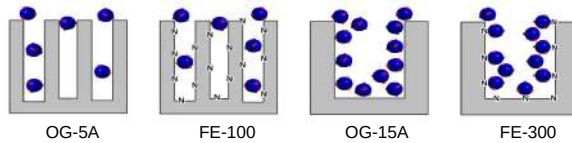
2D NMR (Non-organic system)



¹⁹F NMR (Organic system)**ACFの細孔内電解イオン挙動に関する²H固体NMR解析 (T₁値/水系)****Pores vs. capacitances**

- To examine the effect of pore size and surface composition of activated carbon fibers on EDLC
- To draw out the best pore and surface images of ACFs for better performance

Model of adsorbed ions on the surface of OG and FE series



	Ion size (nm)		Reference
	Non-solvated	Solvated with solvent (PC)	
(CH ₃ CH ₂) ₄ N ⁺	0.74	1.96	Carbon. 2002, 40, 2613
BF ₄ ⁻	0.49	1.71	
(CH ₃ CH ₂) ₄ N ⁺	0.68		Science. 2006, 313,1760
BF ₄ ⁻	0.33		
Et ₄ N ⁺ •4PC		1.35	J. Electrochem. Soc. 2004, 151, E199
BF ₄ ⁻ •8PC		1.40	

Cf. Hydrate sulfate ion size of SO₄²⁻(H₂O)₁₂: 0.53 nm J. Electrochem. Soc. 2001,148(8), A910

Model structures of pores

Yoon group of Kyushu university, *Langmuir*, 2009, in press
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Conventional Hierarchical Structure Model

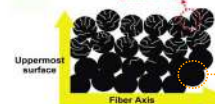
After mild activation



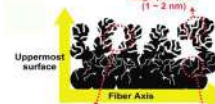
After severe activation

**Proposed Structure Model**

After mild activation

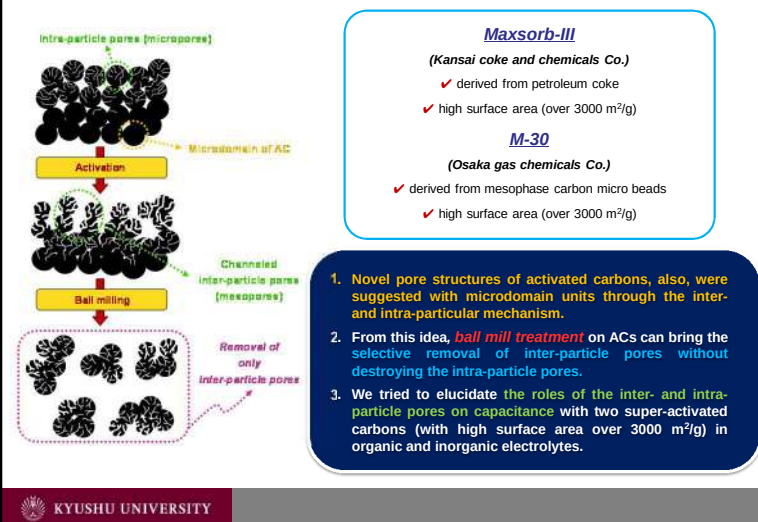


After severe activation

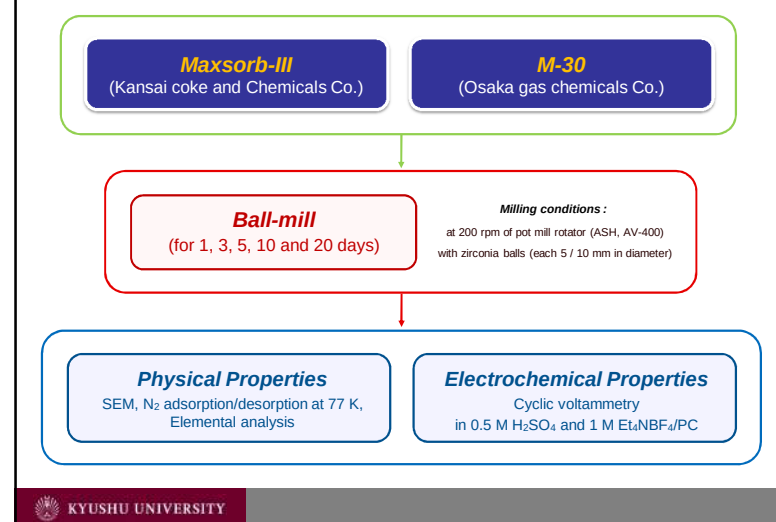


- Under mild activation condition, each of the microdomains on the uppermost surface contains the slit-shaped micropores, leading to micropore-rich.
- With increase of activation degrees, the size of uppermost microdomains reduces and the pore width of micropores becomes widened. Simultaneously, micropores are freshly generated in core part.

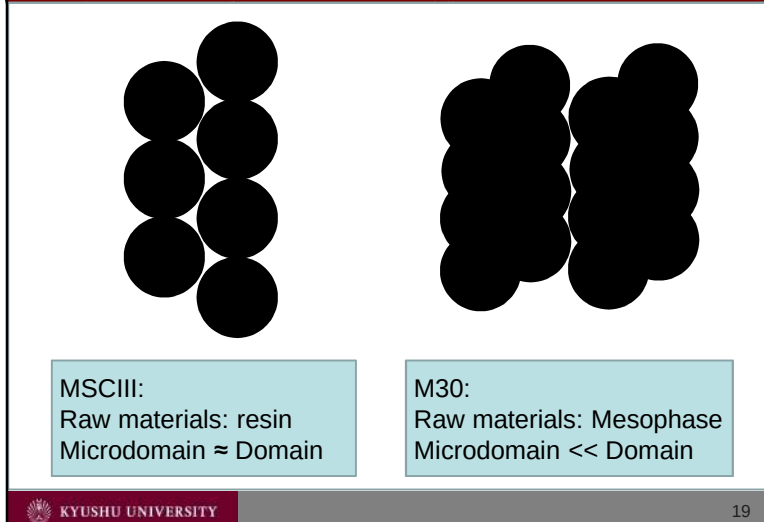
Two kinds of pores



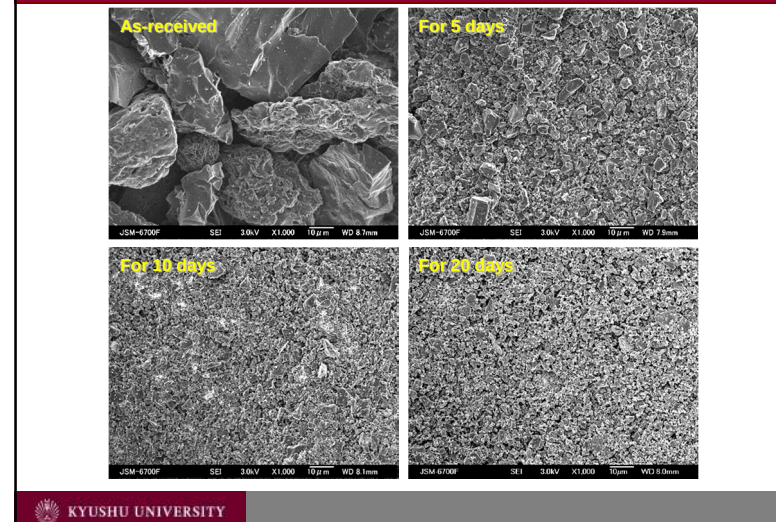
Removal of pores from inter-domain nucleation



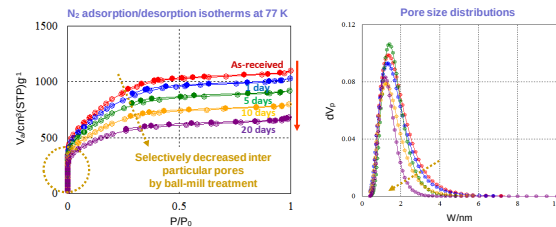
Structural Characteristics of MSCIII & M30



SEM images of ball-milled Maxsorb-III series



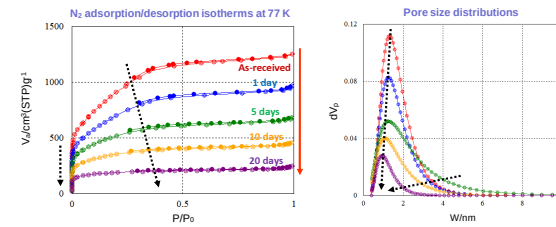
N₂ adsorption/desorption of ball-milled Maxsorb-III series



	m ² /g			cm ³ /g		
	Area (total)	Area (external)	Area (micro)	Vol (total)	Vol (micro)	W (micro)
As-received	2856.8	37.6	2819.2	1.60	1.60	1.14
Ball-milled for 1 day	2557.8	40.0	2517.8	1.50	1.50	1.19
Ball-milled for 3 days	2417.9	37.1	2380.8	1.39	1.39	1.17
Ball-milled for 5 days	2358.8	36.4	2322.4	1.34	1.34	1.16
Ball-milled for 10 days	2115.5	33.8	2081.7	1.15	1.15	1.11
Ball-milled for 20 days	1852.6	32.5	1820.1	0.96	0.96	1.05

1. By ball-mill treatments, the inter-particle pores (cylinder-like mesopores) were selectively removed without destroying the intra-particle pores (slit-like micropores).
2. Such novel pore models may be proved from N₂ adsorption/desorption isotherm at 77K by ball-mill treatment.

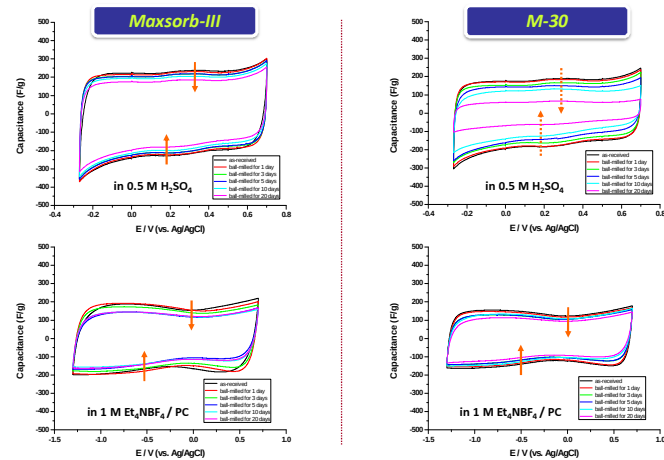
N₂ adsorption/desorption of ball-milled M-30 series



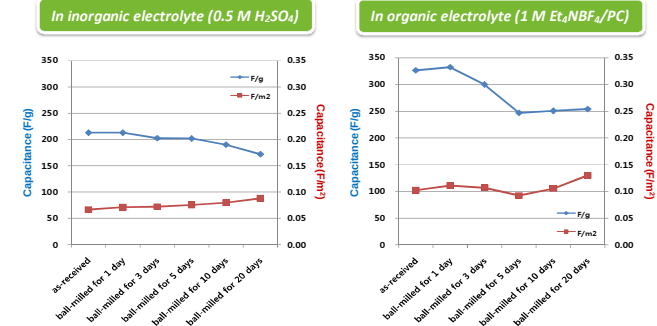
	m ² /g			cm ³ /g		
	Area (total)	Area (external)	Area (micro)	Vol (total)	Vol (micro)	W (micro)
As-received	2948.1	51.5	2896.6	1.81	1.81	1.25
Ball-milled for 1 day	2325.3	49.2	2276.1	1.36	1.36	1.19
Ball-milled for 3 days	1967.7	41.8	1925.9	1.08	1.08	1.12
Ball-milled for 5 days	1833.5	39.3	1794.2	0.95	0.95	1.06
Ball-milled for 10 days	1327.3	30.8	1296.5	0.62	0.62	0.96
Ball-milled for 20 days	776.1	22.8	753.2	0.31	0.31	0.83

1. Both novel pore structures of M-30, inter- and intra-particle pore, were simultaneously decreased by ball-mill treatments.
2. Dramatical decrease of both pore structures in M-30 may be caused by much smaller micrographitic units derived from mesophase carbon micro beads (MCMB) which are easy to loss especially their inter-particle pores by ball-milling.

Cyclic voltammograms of ball-milled AC series



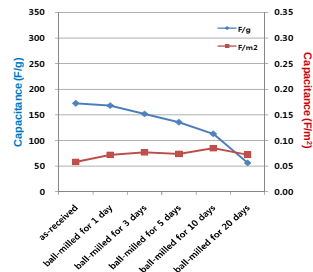
Specific capacitances of ball-milled Maxsorb-III series



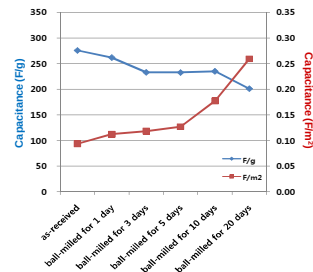
1. The capacitances in inorganic electrolyte with smaller size than intra-particle pores (micropores) were gradually decreased with increase of ball-mill times.
2. The capacitances in organic electrolyte with relatively larger ion size than that of inorganic electrolyte were steeply decreased up to 5 days and then continuously kept, with increase of ball-mill times.
3. From harsh decrease of capacitance in 1 M Et₄NBF₄/PC, we found out that the inter-particle pores selectively removed by ball-milling play an important role for EDLC in organic electrolyte.

Specific capacitances of ball-milled M-30 series

In inorganic electrolyte [0.5 M H₂SO₄]



In inorganic electrolyte [1 M Et₄NBF₄/PC]



1. The capacitances of M-30 in 0.5 M H₂SO₄ were largely decreased with increase of ball-mill times because both of inter- and intra-particle pores were simultaneously decreased by ball-milling.
2. The capacitances of M-30 with smaller micrographitic units which are easily destroyed by severe ball-milling for 20 days, comparing with Maxsorb-III, were dramatically decreased in both of organic and inorganic electrolytes.

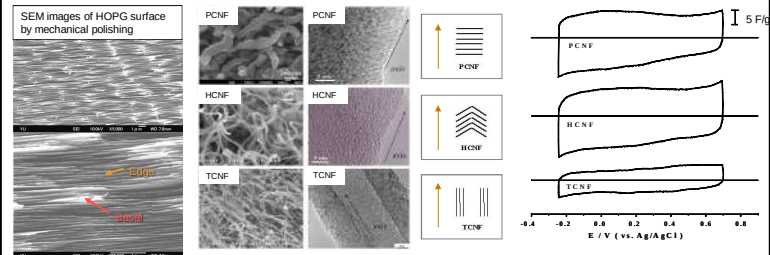
Capacitance vs. defined surfaces

Capacitance is determined by:

- Structural or its derived factors
 - Surface area & pore structure
 - Surface state – edge and basal
 - Electrical conductivity
- Surface chemistry
 - Functional groups
 - Hetero atoms on the surface
 - Metal or metal oxide on the surface

Well-defined CNF series

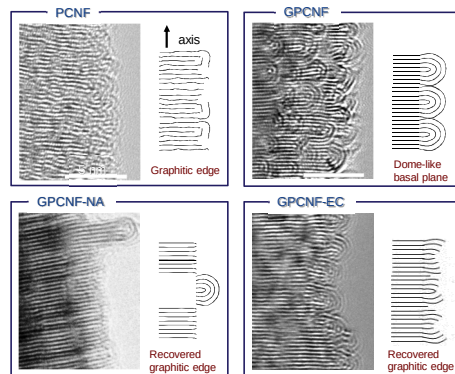
Capacitive performance:
Edge surface > Basal plane
Edge surface is more effective than basal plane by a factor of 3-5.



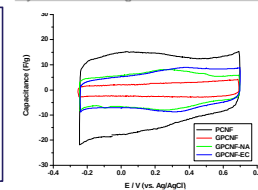
S.-H. Yoon et al. *Carbon*, 2005, 43, 1828

T.G. Kim et al. *Langmuir*, 2006, 22, 9086

Surface-modified PCNF series



Cyclic voltammogram of GPCNF series



Elemental analysis of GPCNF series

Samples	Elemental analysis (wt%)			
	H	C	N	O (diff.)
PCNF	0.33	98.15	0.05	1.47
GPCNF	0.10	99.90	0	0
GPCNF-NA	0.15	99.12	0.06	0.67
GPCNF-EC	0.13	98.50	0	1.37

Electrochemical oxidation by treatment

(1) In anode (+ electrode), treated samples by different potentials

	Results of elemental analysis (%)				Ratio of O/C
	H	C	N	O (diff.)	
as-prepared	0.81	96.88	0.00	2.31	0.02
1.0 V	1.08	93.31	0.49	5.12	0.05
1.5 V	1.07	94.68	0.45	3.80	0.04
2.0 V	0.98	91.14	0.36	7.52	0.08
2.5 V	0.99	91.11	0.37	7.53	0.08

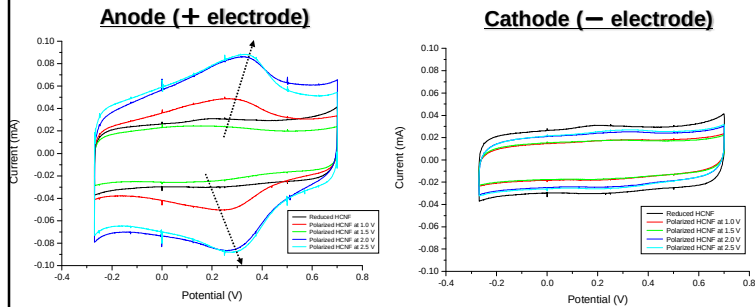
(2) In cathode (- electrode), treated samples by different potentials

	Results of elemental analysis (%)				Ratio of O/C
	H	C	N	O (diff.)	
as-prepared	0.81	96.88	0.00	2.31	0.02
1.0 V	1.10	95.01	0.42	3.47	0.04
1.5 V	1.10	95.15	0.41	3.34	0.04
2.0 V	0.99	95.72	0.24	3.05	0.03
2.5 V	1.01	95.62	0.22	3.15	0.03

Functional Groups vs. capacitance

Polarized anodic HCNF by binderless polarization condition in 30 wt% H₂SO₄

Polarized HCNF under binderless condition in 30 wt% H₂SO₄



*** According to increase of the potential,**
in anode, EDLC and pseudocapacitance increased.
in cathode, capacitance decreased slightly.



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Analysis of ion behaviors on the Different carbon surface using solid NMR



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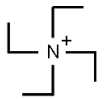
Solid-state NMR

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Organic electrolyte: Et₄NBF₄

Cation

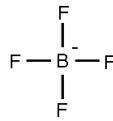
Tetra ethyl ammonium: TEA



Kinetic diam.: 0.74 nm

Anion

Tetra fluoroborate: TFB



Kinetic diam.: 0.49 nm

JEOL ECA400



¹¹B solid-state NMR (¹¹B:128.3 MHz)

➡ Anion behaviors in positive electrode
at 3 kinds of electrode states

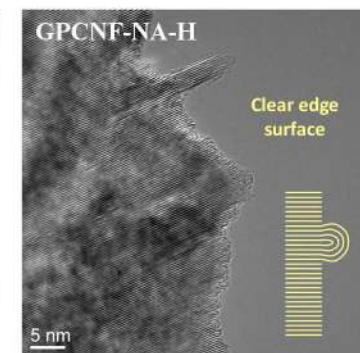
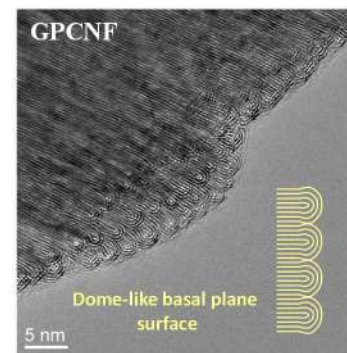
- ① Impregnated state
- ② Charged state
- ③ Discharged state



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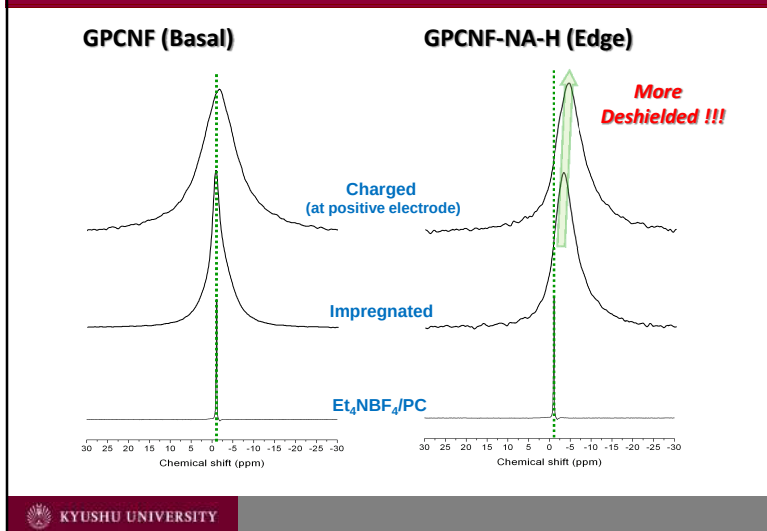
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Preparation of PCNFs with edge and basal planes

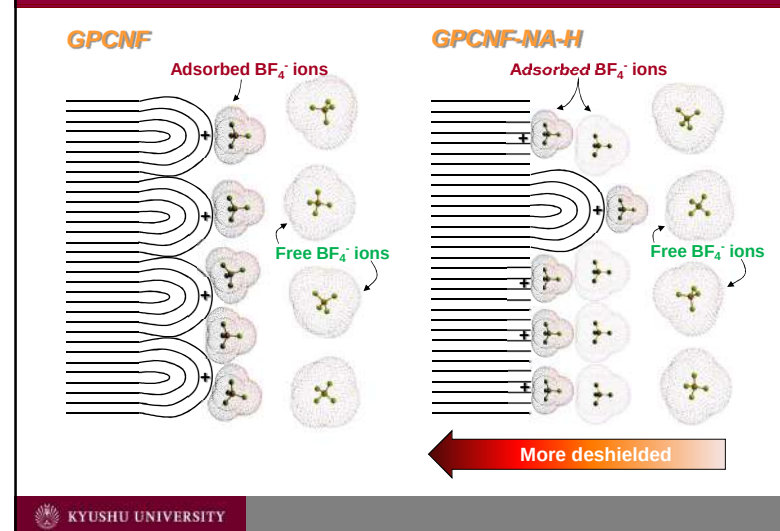


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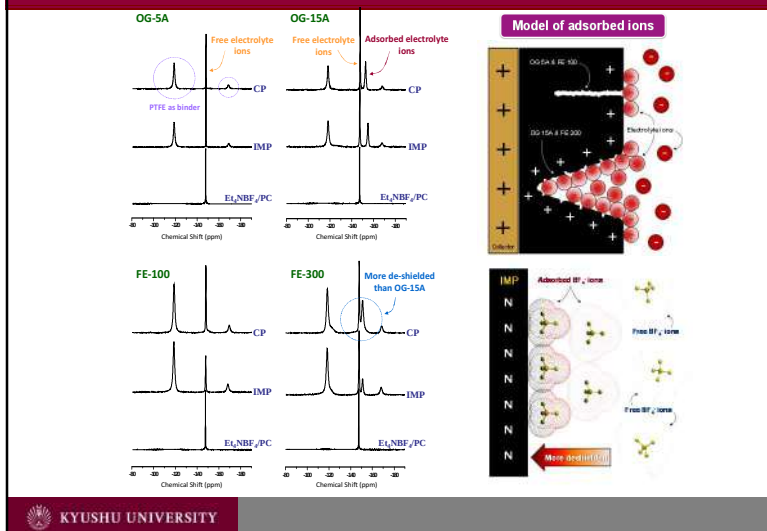
BF_4^- ion behaviors on the surface of GPCNFs (^{11}B -NMR)



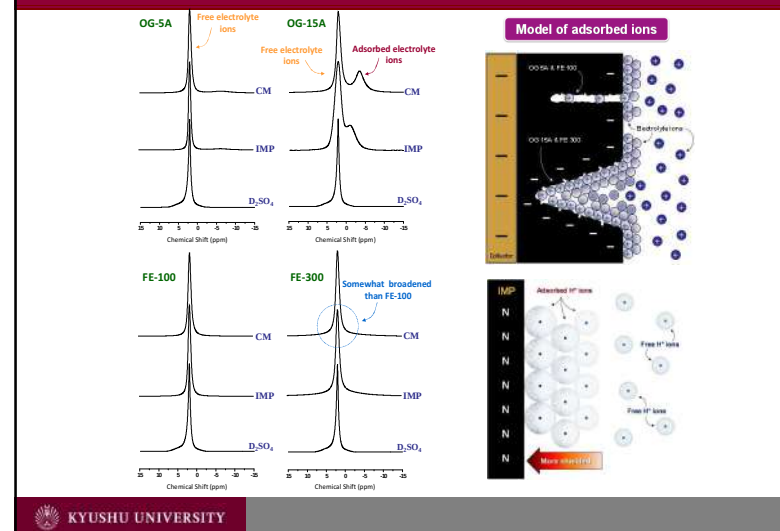
GPCNFシリーズに対する BF_4^- イオンの吸着挙動モデル

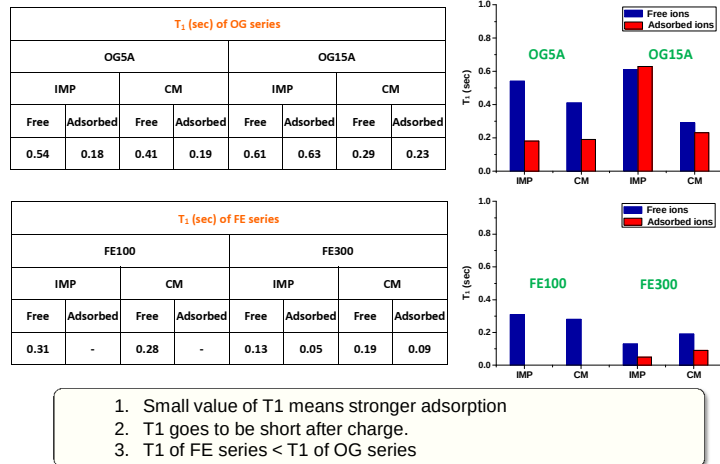


ACF vs. ^{19}F Solid NMR (Organic)



ACF vs. ^2H Solid NMR (Inorganic)

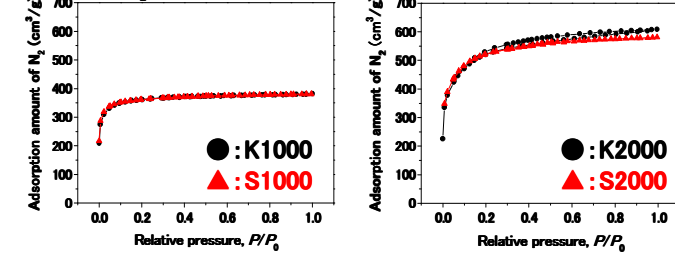


ACF vs. ^2H Solid NMR (T_1 value)

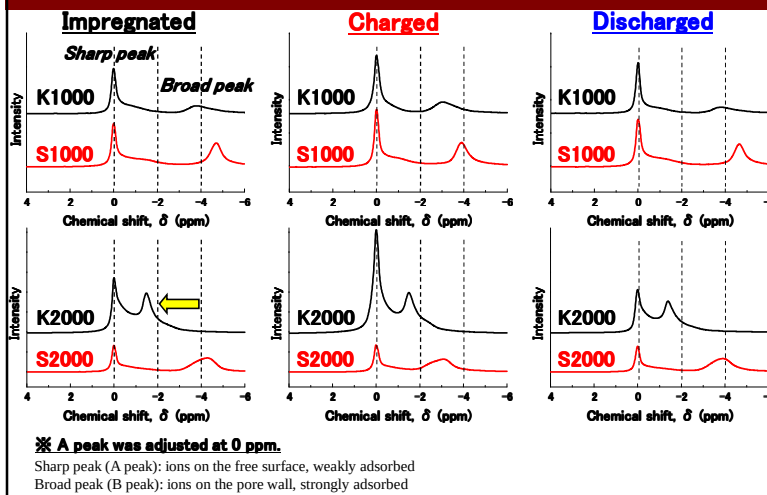
Steam activation vs. KOH activation

Table BET surface area, elemental composition, and capacitance of ACs

Code	Activation method (Temp., KOH/S- BEAPS ratio)	Surface area (m ² /g)	Atomic ratios (%)					Electrode density (g/cm ³)	Capacitance		
			H	C	N	O	Ash		F/g	F/cm ³	F/m ²
K1000	KOH (800°C, 2)	1240	0.70	87.6	0.18	11.5	0.00	0.69	18.7	10.3	0.015
S1000	Steam (800°C)	1250	0.82	98.1	0.00	2.94	0.18	0.73	21.5	14.6	0.017
K2000	KOH (800°C, 6)	1850	1.47	79.6	0.03	19.0	0.00	0.55	37.8	16.6	0.020
S2000	Steam (850°C)	1850	0.70	98.5	0.00	2.44	0.39	0.61	24.0	10.4	0.013

Fig. N_2 adsorption and desorption isotherms at 77 K of ACs ^{11}B solid-state NMR

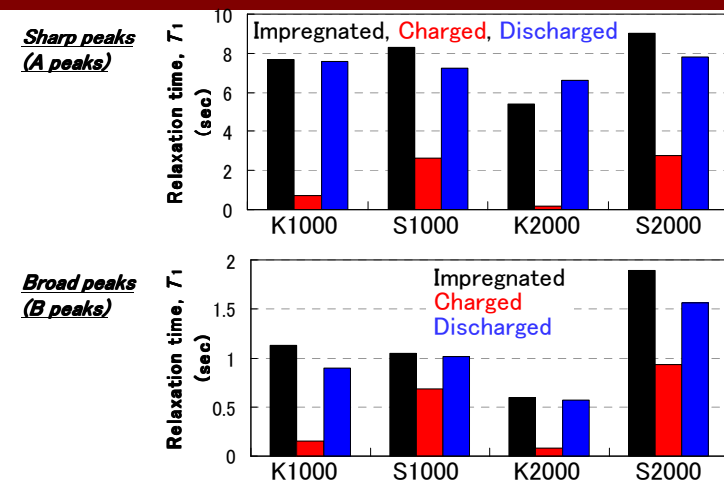
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Relaxation time, T_1

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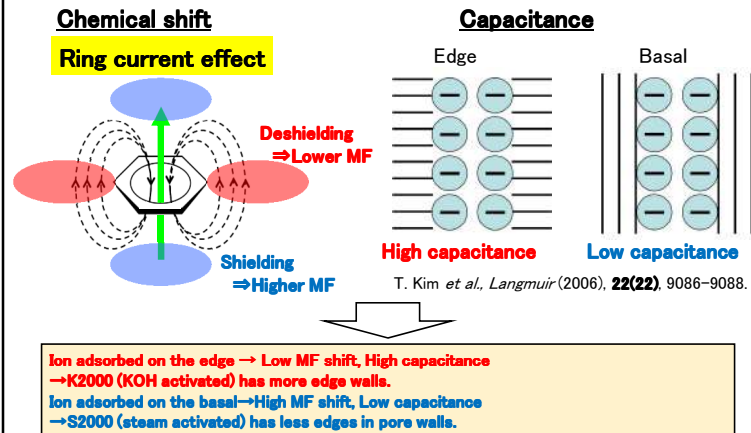
Fig. 3 Longitudinal relaxation time (T_1) of ions at various states

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Discussion

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Effect of pore wall structure (Edge and Basal)



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Difference of KOH & steam activations

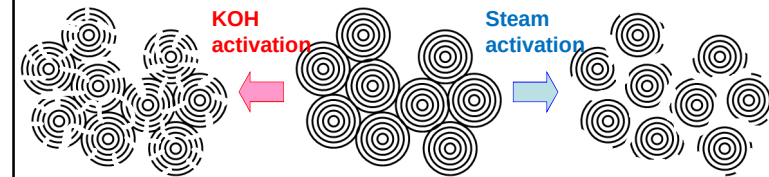
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In the case of low surface area ACs (K1000 and S1000),

The activations were not much proceeded for both KOH and steam activations. Small and homogeneous pores.

In the case of high surface area ACs (K2000 and S2000),

The activations were fully proceeded for both KOH and steam activations. Large and heterogeneous pores. **KOH showed the more dispersion property than steam, resulted in many edges.**



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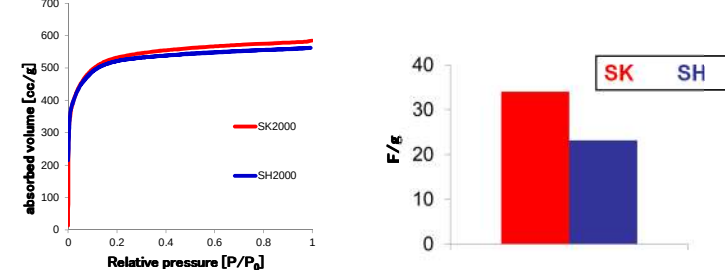
Quantitative analyses of ion behaviors on the different activated carbons using solid NMR

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Result of experiment ①

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Difference of KOH and steam activations



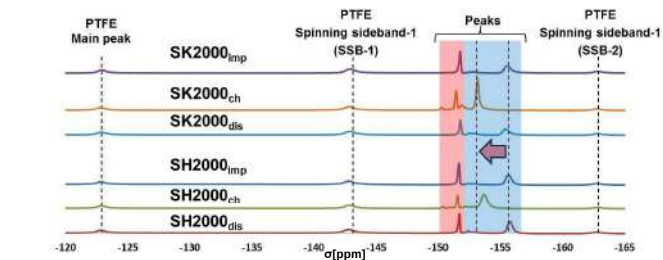
Sample	BET S.A. [m ² /g]	Atomic ratios[X]					Electrode density [g/ml]	Capacitance		F/g ratios (SK/SH)
		H	C	N	O	ash		F/g	F/ml	
Electrolyte: Et ₄ NBF ₄ /PC										
SK2000	2007	1.47	79.8	0.03	19.0	0.00	0.40	34.0	13.8	1.5
SH2000	1989	0.70	96.5	0.00	2.44	0.39	0.44	23.2	10.2	

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Results of experimental ①

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1 M Et4NBF4/PC electrolyte, 19F-NMR



Free ions or adsorbed ion on the external surface

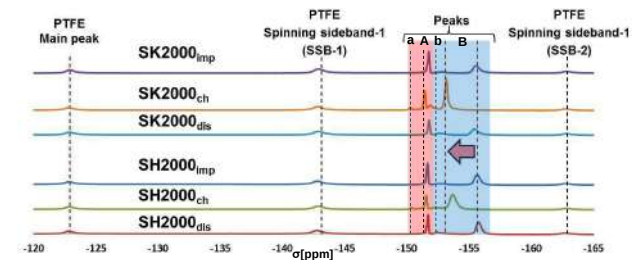
Adsorbed ions on the pore walls

	PTFE main peakによるBF ₄ ⁻ normalization		Peak area ratio
	PTFE Main Peak	Peaks	ch-dis
SK2000 _{imp}	1	3.49	2.89
SK2000 _{ch}	1	8.11	
SK2000 _{dis}	1	5.22	
SH2000 _{imp}	1	4.32	1.13
SH2000 _{ch}	1	6.39	
SH2000 _{dis}	1	5.26	
			SK/SH
			2.5

Results of experiment ①

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1 M Et4NBF4/PC electrolyte, 19F-NMR



Sample	Relaxation time (T ₁)[s]			
	a	A	b	B
SK2000 _{ch}	0.27	0.34	0.14	0.13
SK2000 _{dis}	—	2.87	1.53	1.13
SK2000 _{imp}	-	3.25	2.47	1.37
SH2000 _{ch}	0.41	0.50	0.41	0.57
SH2000 _{dis}	—	3.03	1.43	1.51
SH2000 _{imp}	—	3.10	2.21	1.78