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Photo-catalytic Ni/Co co-doped TiO₂ nanoparticles for glazed Ceramic Tiles

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خلاصه مقاله:

Self-cleaning and anti-bacterial activities of the photo-catalyst titanium dioxide make it a superior compound for use in the ceramics and glass industry. In order to achieve high self-cleaning efficiency for building products, it is important that Titania is present as anatase phase. Moreover, it is desirable that the particle sizes are in Nano-range, so that a large enough surface area is available for enhanced catalytic performance. In the present paper, Cobalt and Nickel co-doped (4%mol Ni and 4%mol Co doped TiO₂) and un-doped TiO₂ Nano powders have been prepared by sol-gel technique and calcinated at temperatures ranging from 475°C to 1075°C. Ni/Co co-doped TiO₂, postponed the anatase to rutile transformation of TiO₂ by about 200 C, such that after calcination at 775 C, no rutile was detected for 4 mol% Ni/Co codoped TiO₂. A systematic decreasing on crystallite size and increasing on specific surface area of Ni/Co co-doped TiO₂ were observed. Photo-catalytic activity of anatase polymorph was measured by the decomposition rate of methylene blue under sunlight illumination. The results showed enhanced catalysis under visible light for Ni/Co co-doped TiO₂ as compared to pure TiO₂. The enhanced performance was attributed to surface chemistry change associated with a slight shift in the band gap.

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