



Sustainability in Nanomaterials Synthesis

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INTRODUCTION

- Development of cost-effective and eco-friendly methods for the synthesis of nanoparticles is of great importance.
- Applicable on an industrial scale;
- Sustainability.





- Synthesis of these materials of high purity with controlled size and shape is a major challenge
- Nanoparticles have been obtained by a variety of physical and chemical methods.
- Chemical precipitation, solvothermal, microwave, ultrasound, hydrothermal, and sol-gel methods, etc.s





- Techniques require expensive equipment, extra purification steps and long reaction times.
- The development of cost-effective, sustainable and eco-friendly methods is necessary.



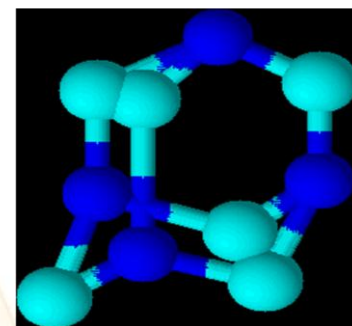
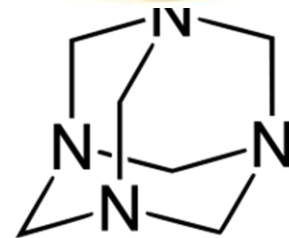


- Synthesis based on readily available, non-toxic and cheap precursors, as well as simple synthetic procedures.
- Proper choice of the precursor, solvents, synthesis method and conditions, could render the technique simple and cost-effective.





- Cheap and readily available.
- A terminal monodentate or as bi-, tri- and tetradentate bridging ligand
- Highly soluble in water and polar organic solvents.



HMTA





- A naturally available and sustainable resource (*Averrhoa carambola* L.) for the synthesis of metal and mixed metal oxalates.
- The fruit juice is used directly without initial purification steps or prior extraction of the acid.
- product is obtained by directly mixing the metal ion solution and the juice





OBJECTIVES

- Investigate the effect of synthesis conditions on the size ,morphology and properties of various metal oxide nanomaterials;

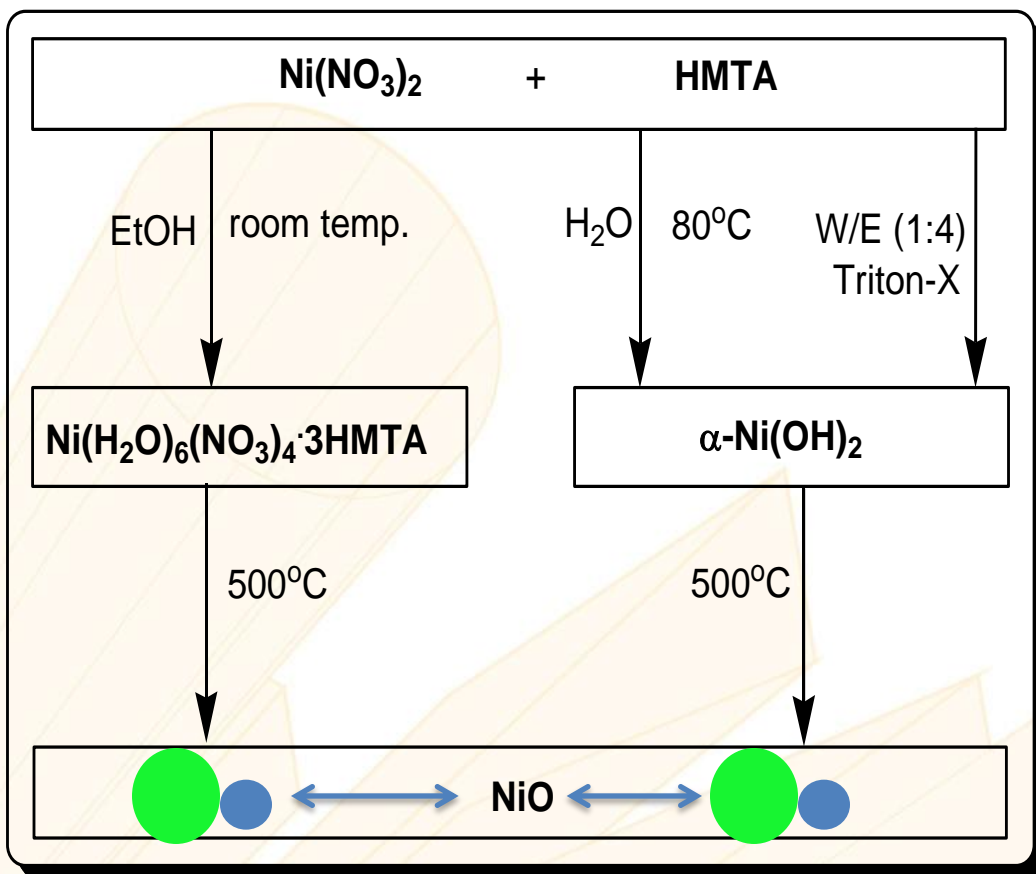
Variables include:

- Inorganic precursor, Solvent system, Temperature, Surfactant template.

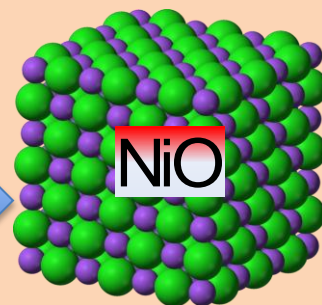
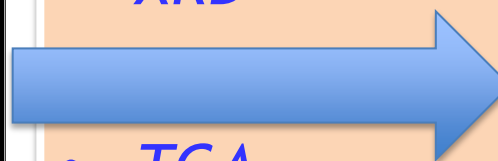




EXPERIMENTAL



- **Characterization**
- *Elemental analyses (C,H,N,Ni);*
- *High resolution mass spectrometry;*
- *FTIR*
- *XRD*



- *TGA*
- *SEM/EDX*
- *TEM*
- *Nitrogen physisorption (N_2 -BET)*





RESULTS

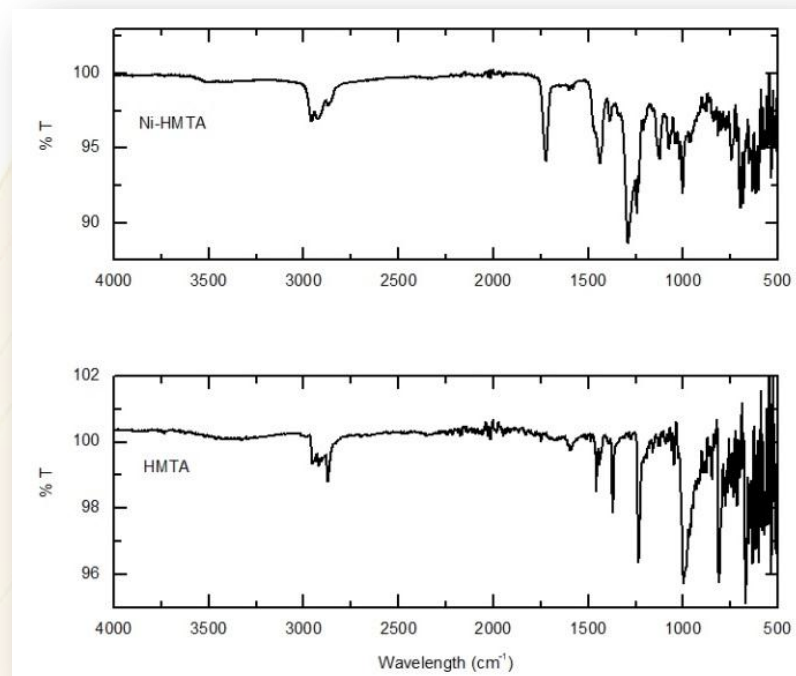


Fig.2: FTIR of HMTA and Ni-HMTA precursor

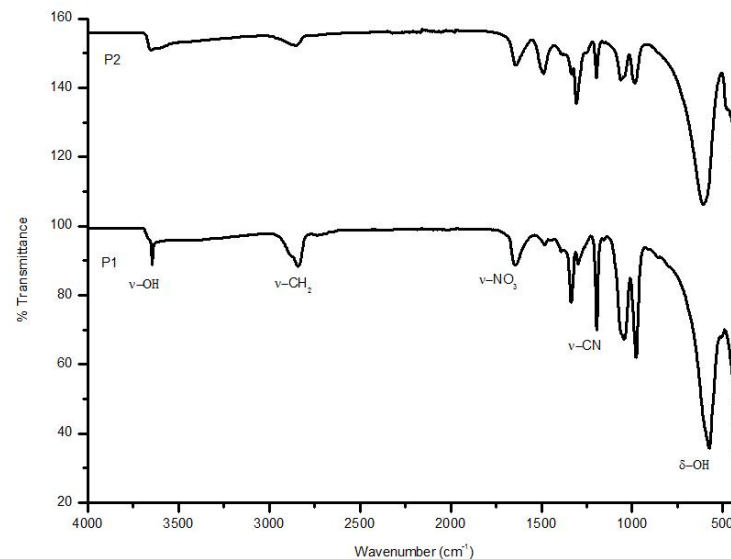


Fig. 3: FTIR spectra of Ni(OH)₂ precursors



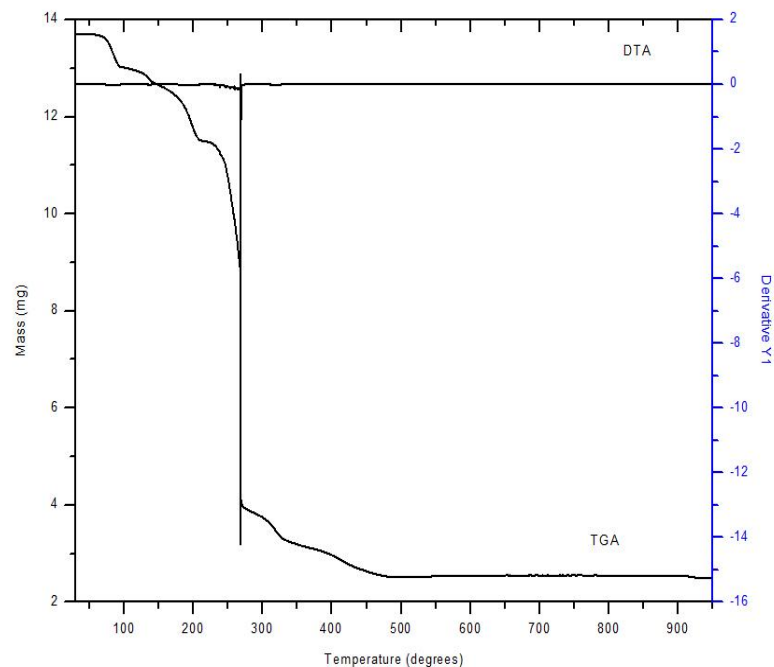


Fig. 4: TGA/DTA of Ni-HMTA complex

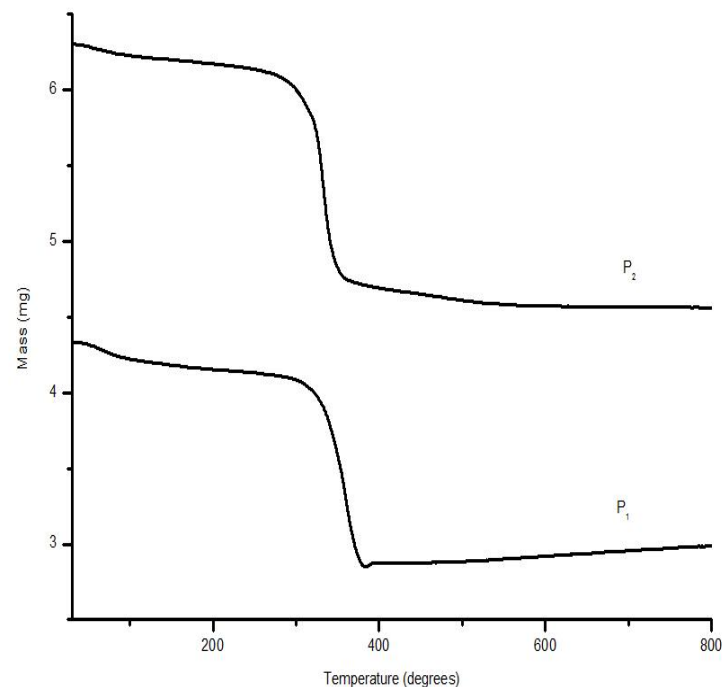


Fig. 5: TGA/DTA of $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$ precursors



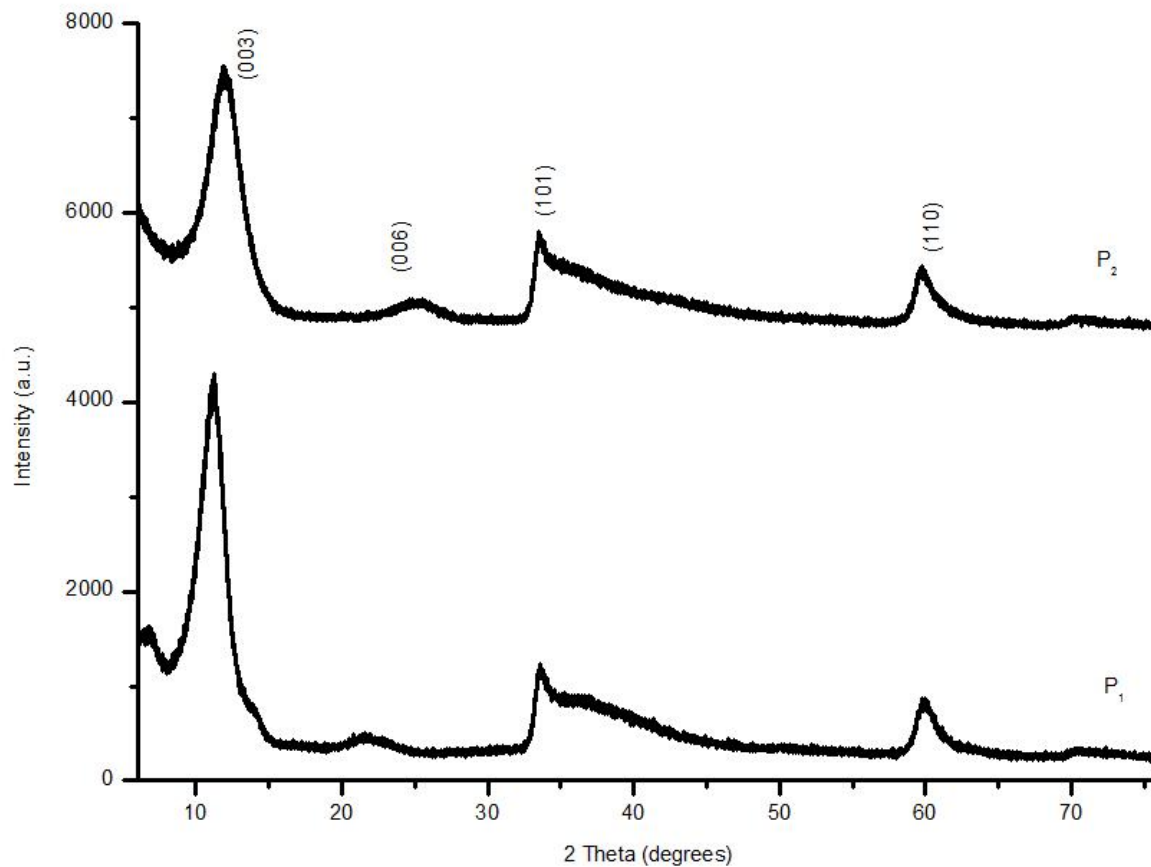


Fig. 6: XRD patterns of Ni(OH)_2 precursors



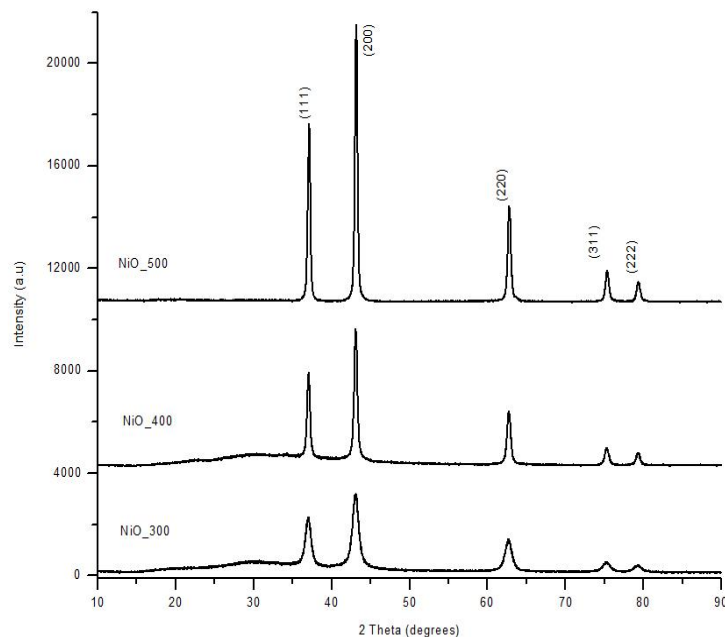


Fig. 7a: XRD pattern of NiO obtained from Ni-HMTA complex

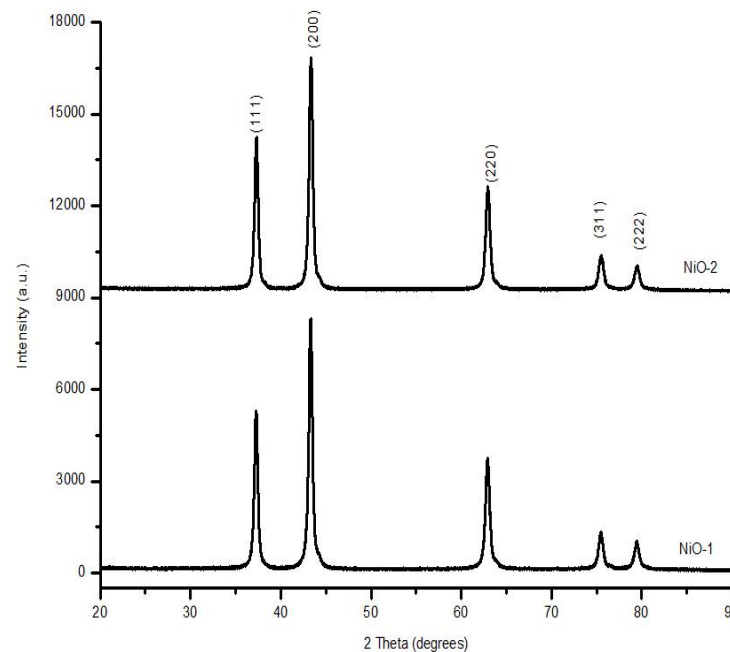


Fig. 7b: XRD pattern of NiO obtained from $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$

- Crystallite size calculated from the (200) peak, using Debye-Scherrer equation, indicate average particle sizes of 22 and 17 nm



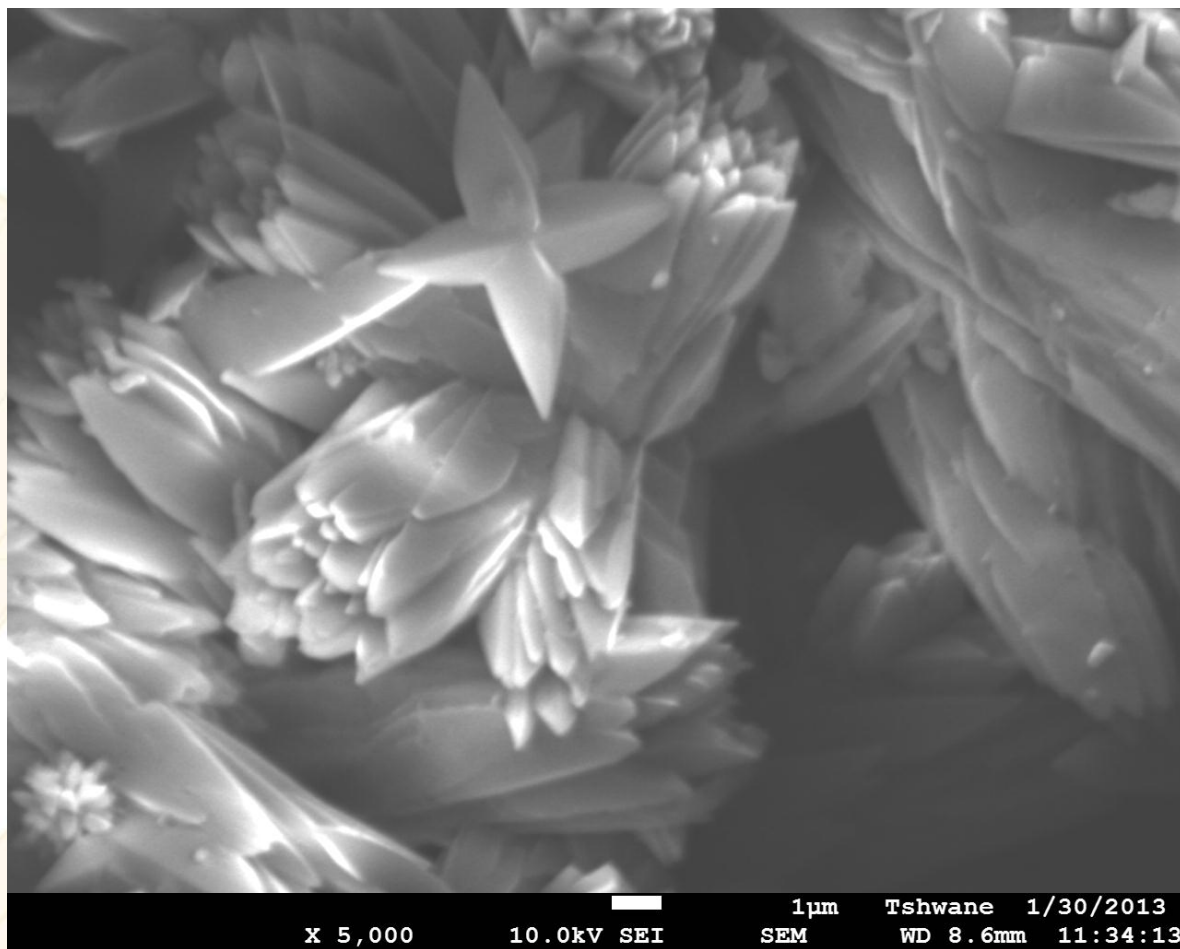


Fig. 8: SEM image of Ni-HMTA precursor



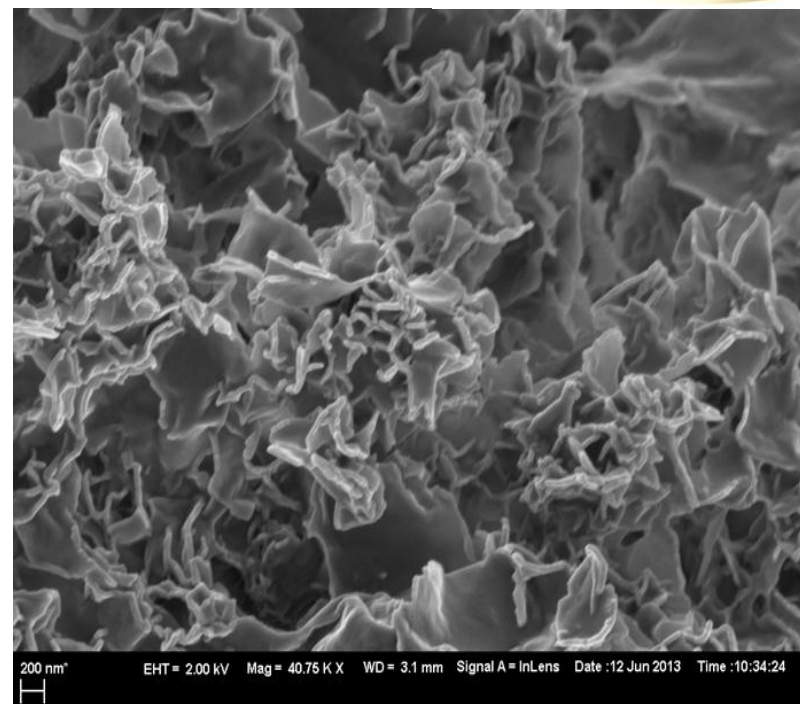
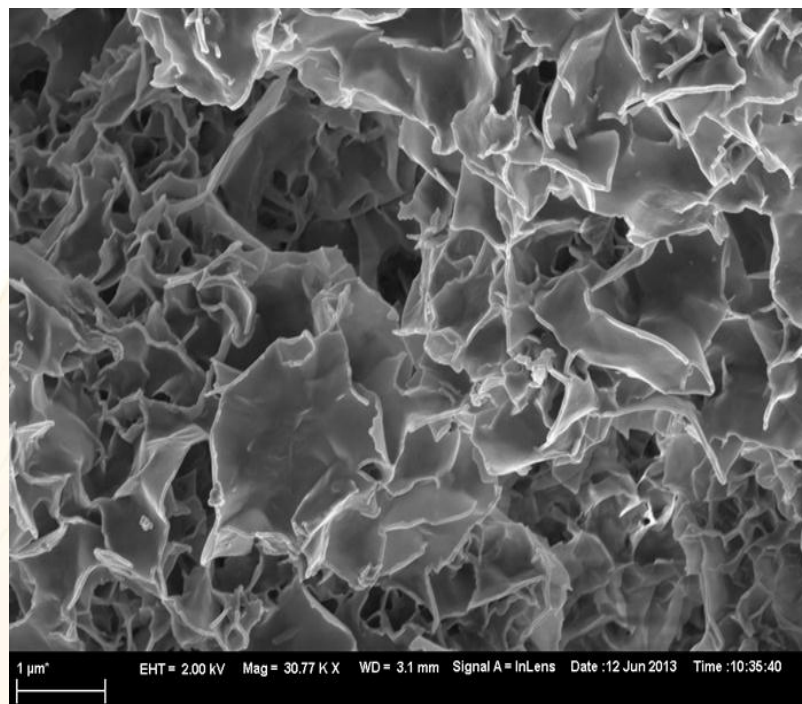


Fig. 9: SEM images of $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$ precursor P_1

- Leaf-like morphology for the precursor.
- Structure of the precursor is porous.



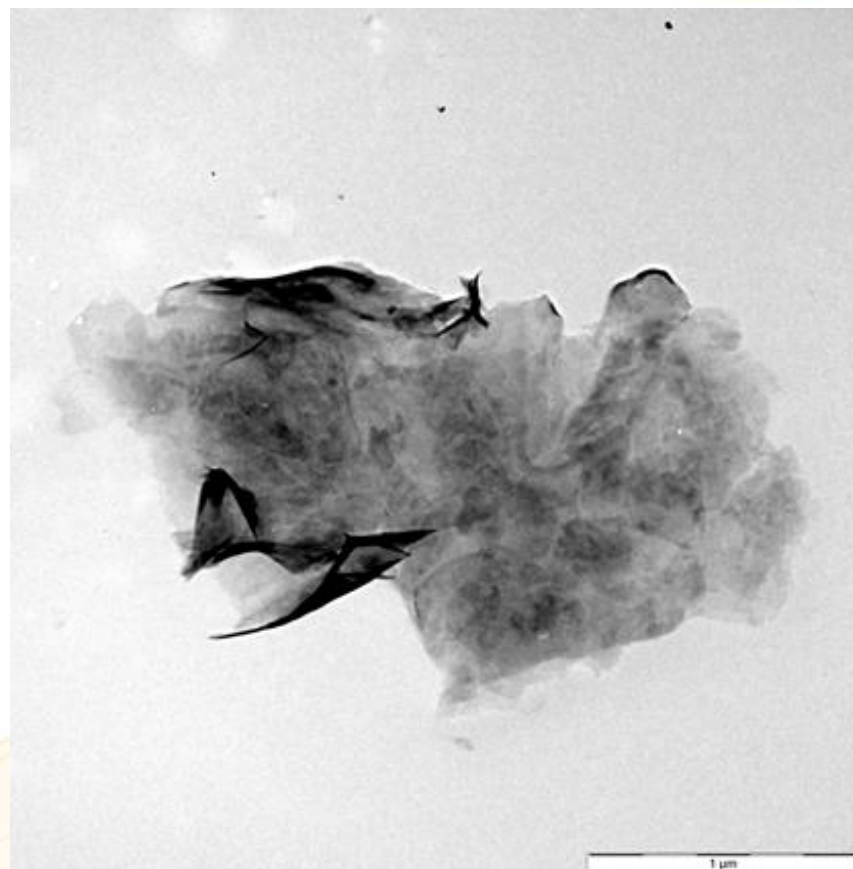
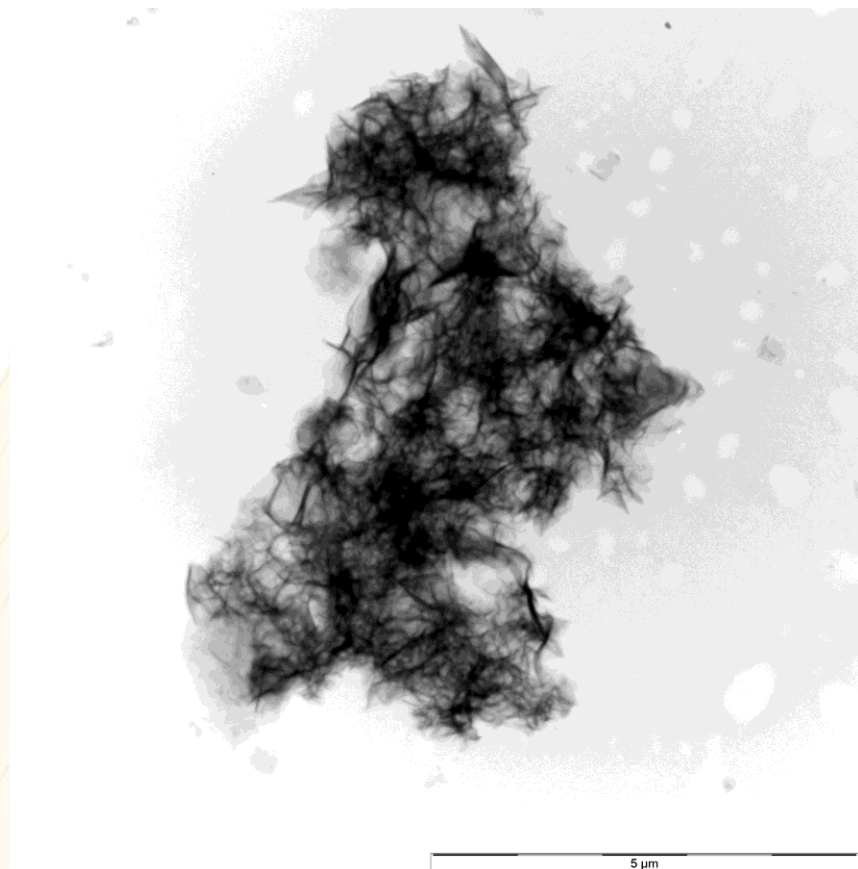


Fig. 10: TEM images of $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$ precursor P_1



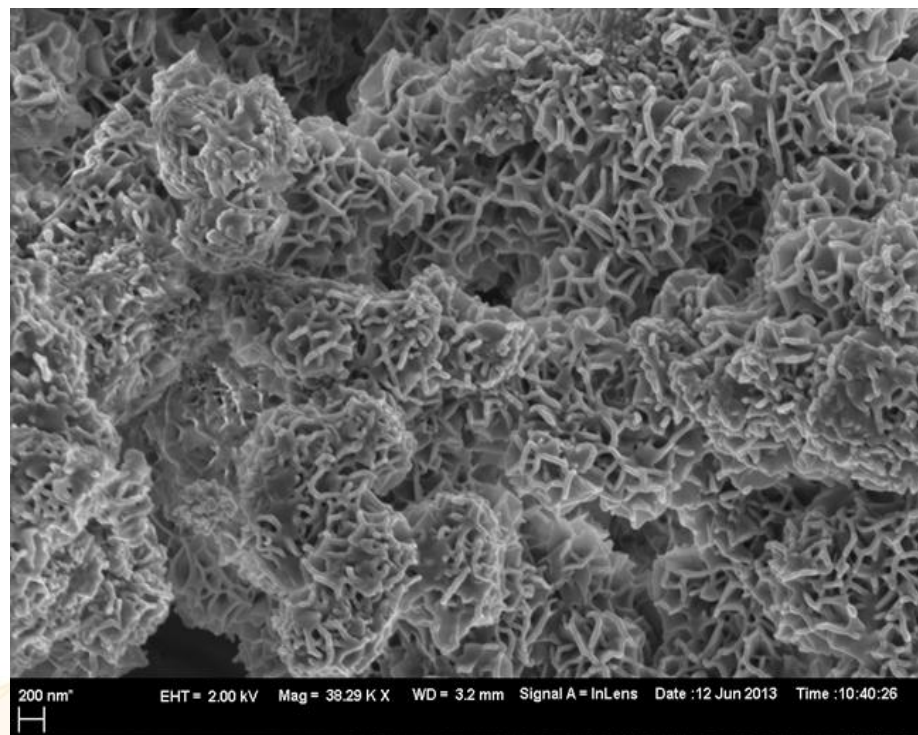
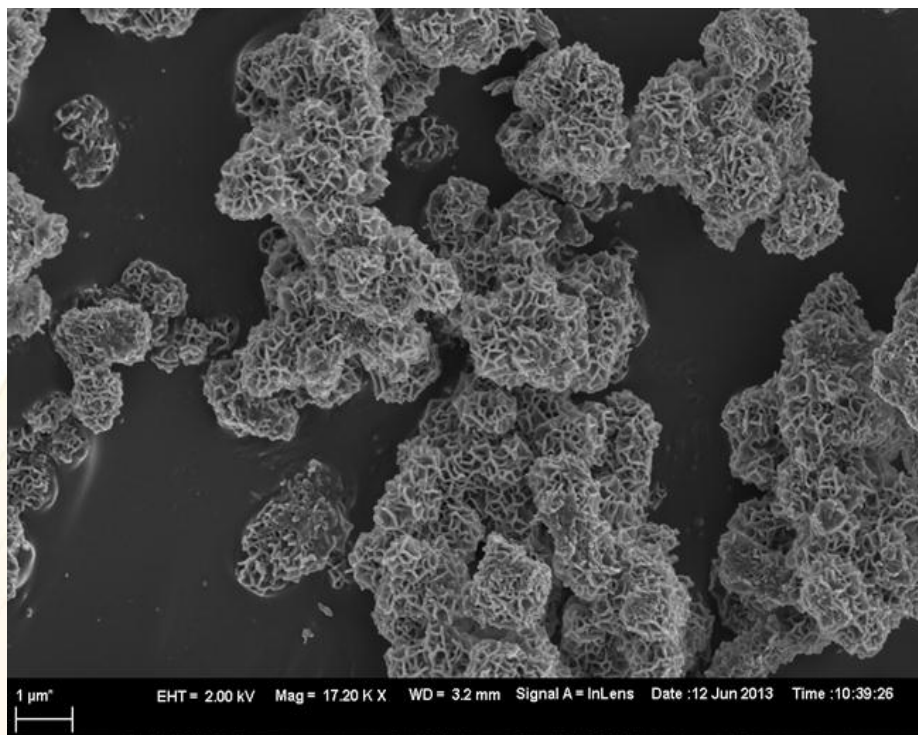


Fig. 11: SEM images of $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$ precursor P_2

- Flower-like morphology for the precursor



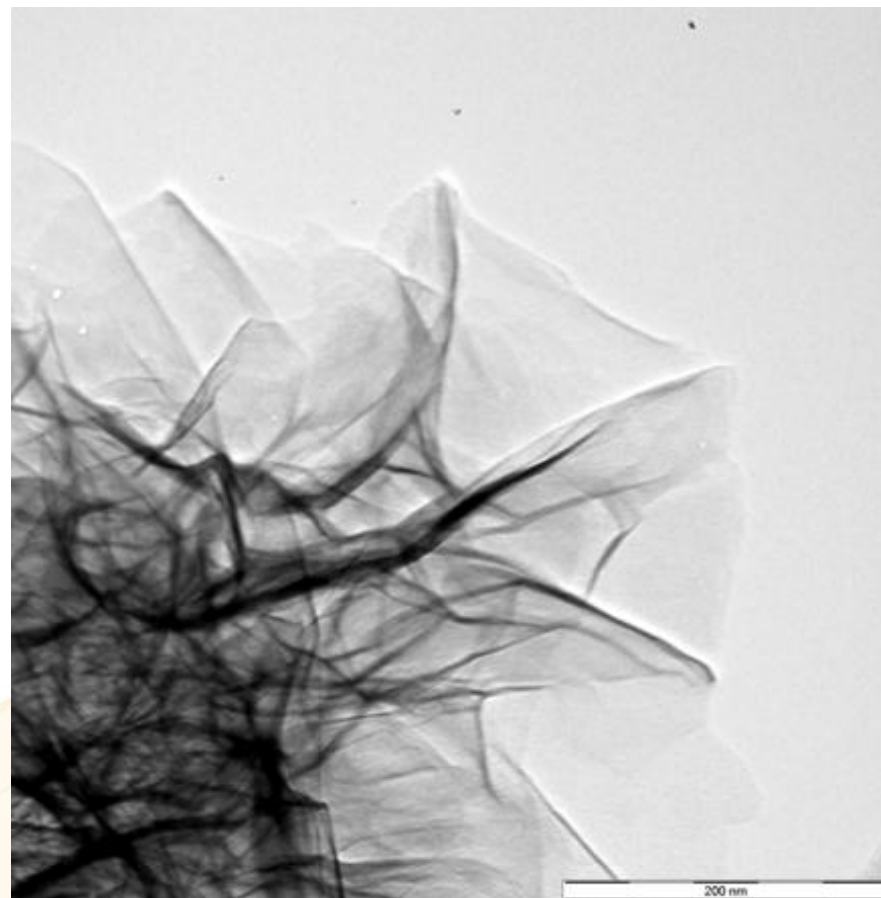
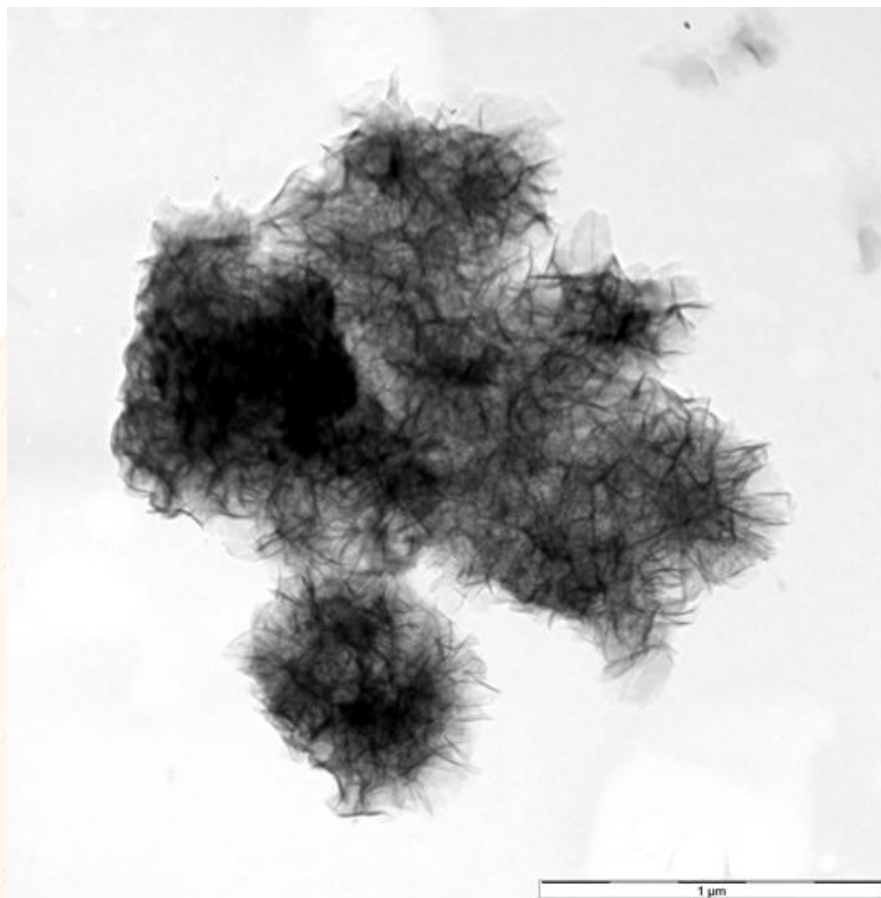


Fig. 12: TEM images of $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$ precursor P_2



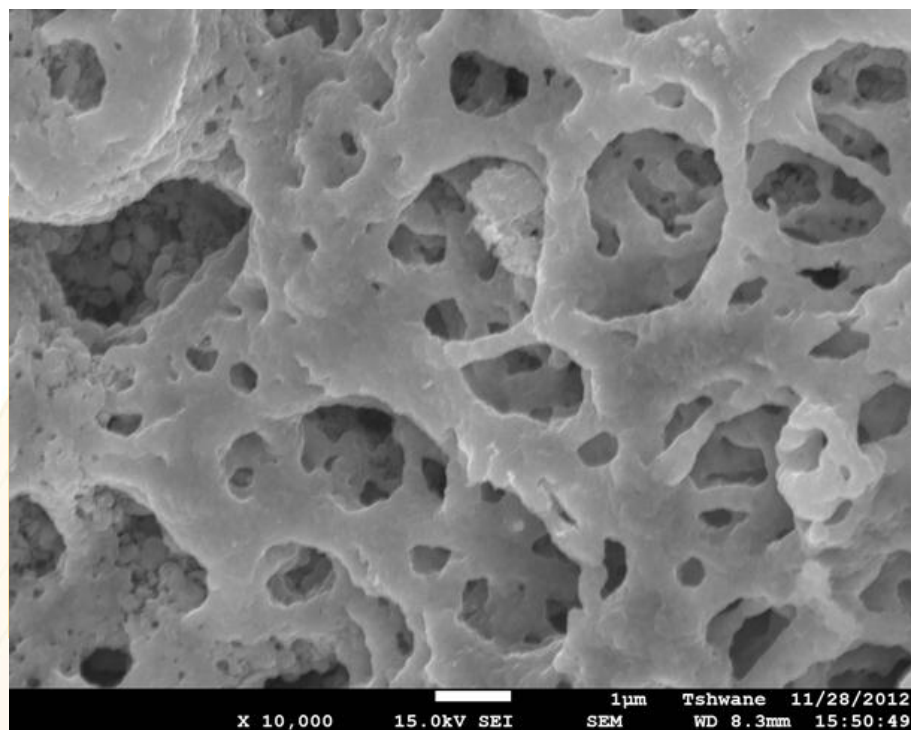


Fig. 13a: SEM image of NiO obtained from Ni-HMTA complex

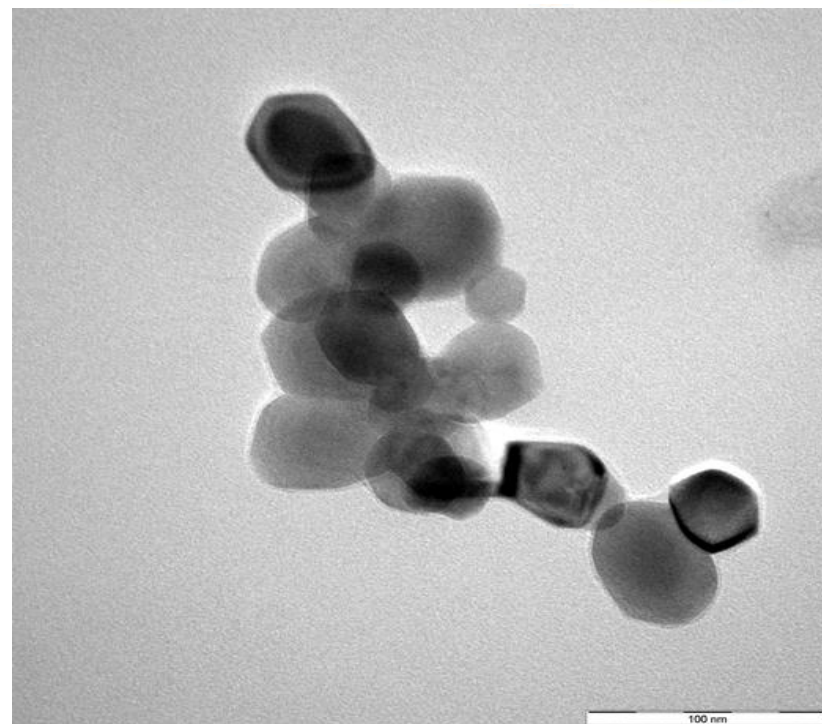


Fig. 13b: TEM image of NiO obtained from Ni-HMTA complex

- TEM shows a transition from cubic to hexagonal shape.
- Average particle size is 20.2 nm after lognormal fitting.



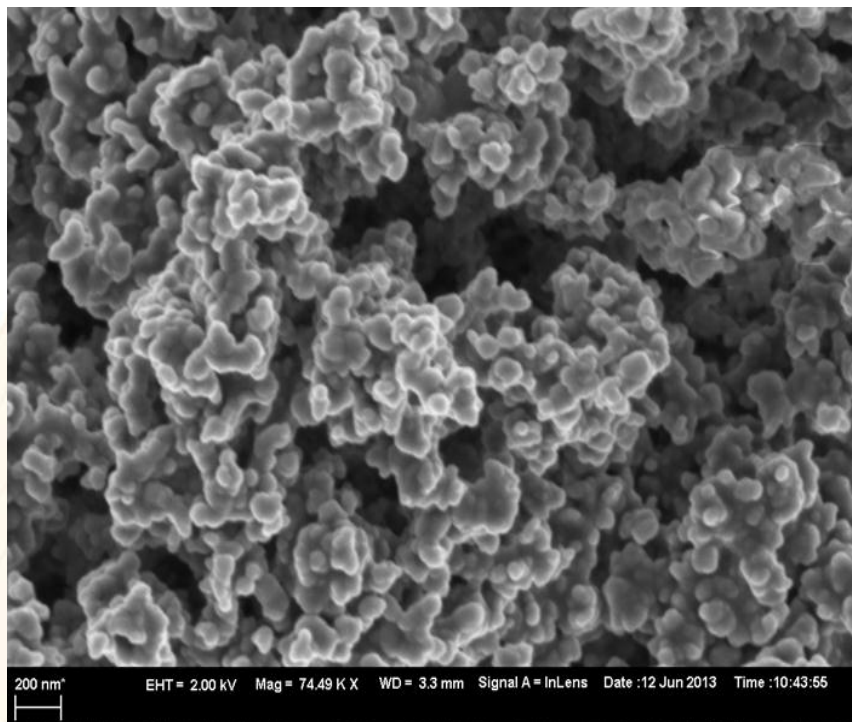


Fig. 14a: SEM image of NiO-1

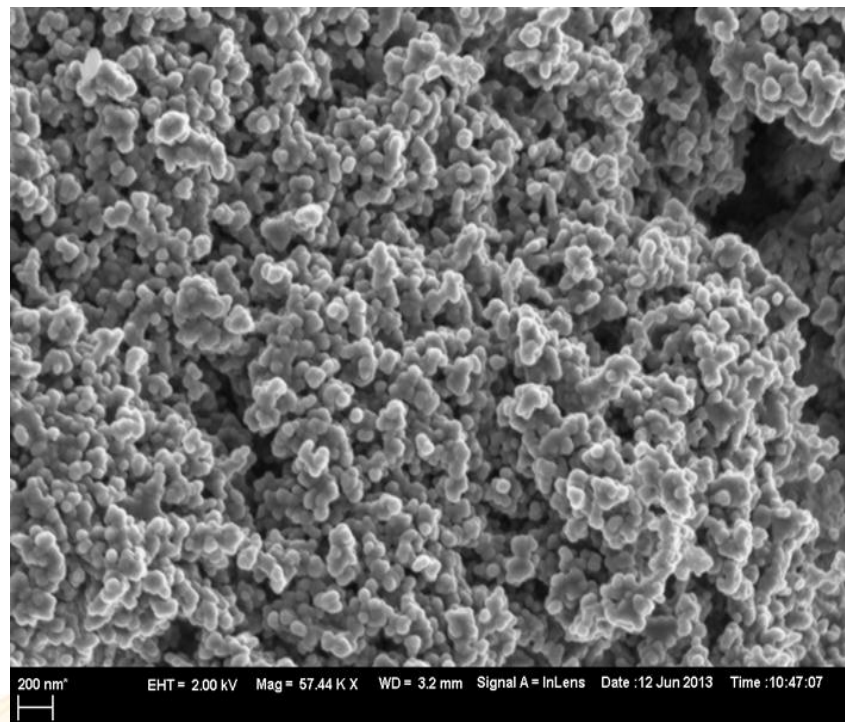


Fig. 14b: SEM image of NiO-2



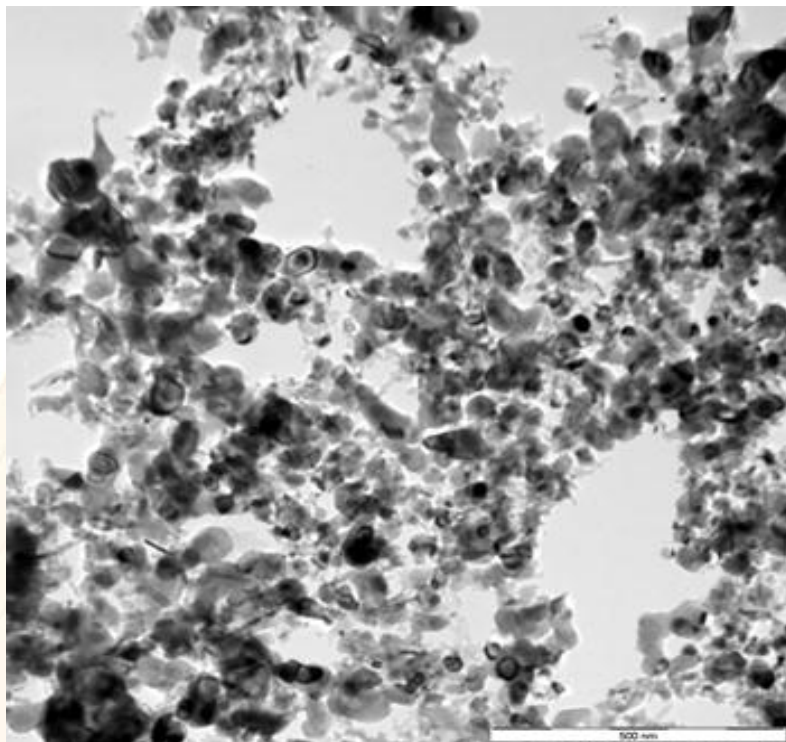


Fig. 15a: TEM image of NiO-1

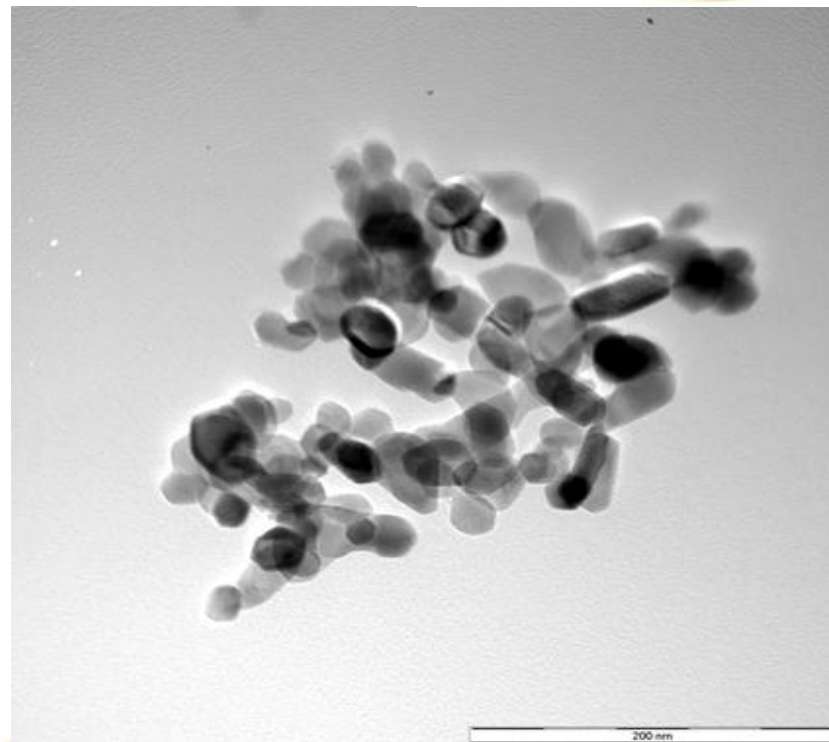


Fig. 15b: TEM image of NiO-2

- NiO-1 has a cube-like morphology with average particle size of 15.1 nm.
- NiO-2 has a rod-like morphology.



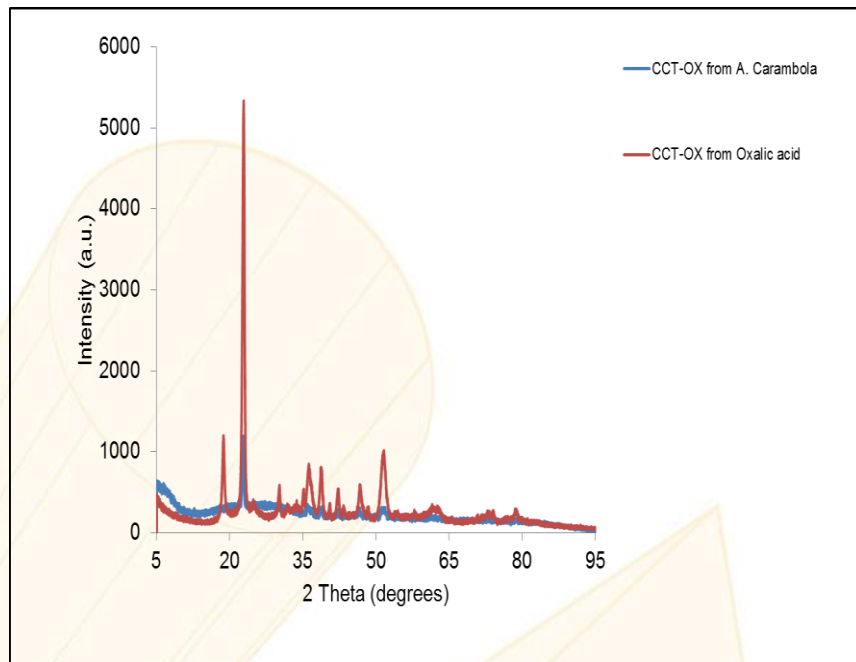


Fig. 16a: XRD of CCT-Ox

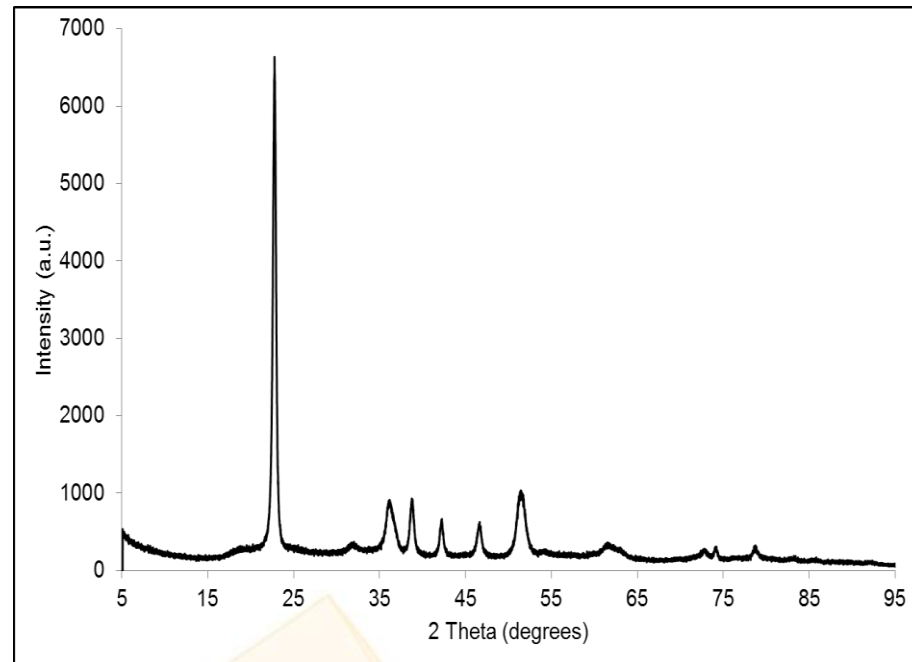


Fig. 16b: XRD of CCTO



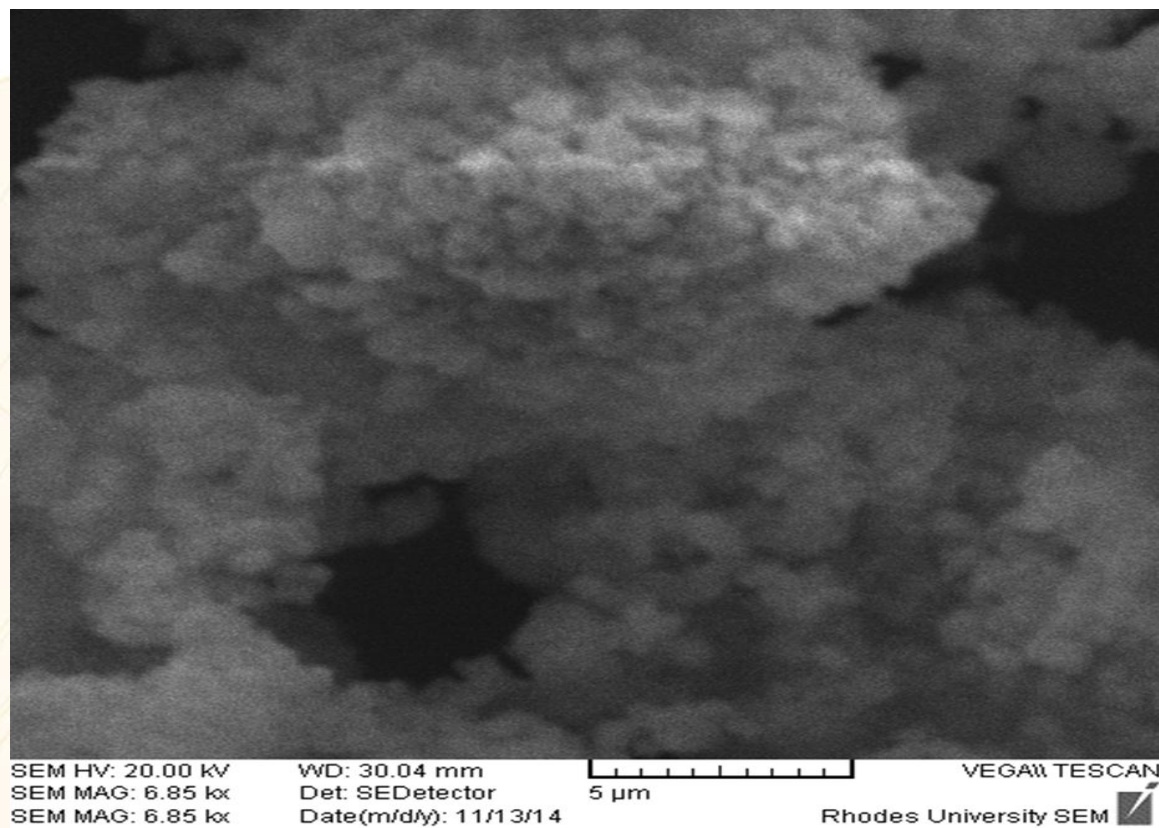


Fig. 17: SEM of CCTO





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