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Aim: Engineering Application of nanomaterials

Apparatus: XRD pattern, peak fitting program.

SLO: To determine the average crystallite size from the given X-ray diffraction (XRD) pattern of a polycrystalline material.

Formula to use: The Scherrer equation is to calculate the avg crystallite size. This method gives qualitative results.

The Scherrer equation is:

$$D = \frac{K\lambda}{B \cos \theta}$$

Here, B (in radians) = Peak width

D = Crystallite size

λ = X-ray wavelength. θ = Peak position

Data given -

Instrumental broadening: (0.01°)

wavelength of the X-ray used: 1.546 \AA

Scherrer constant: 0.94 (assuming that crystallites are spherical in shape)

Result -

The average crystallite size is 50.52 nm .

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Peak Center (in deg. Rad.)	FWHM (in deg.)	FWHM after instrumental broadening correction (in deg.)	FWHM/2 (in Radian)	Avg. crystal size (nm)
① 28.57	0.320	0.21	5.4×10^{-3}	55.32
② 47.54	0.371 0.371	0.261	6.29×10^{-3}	50.57
③ 56.37	0.406	0.296	6.908×10^{-3}	47.60
④ 37.13	0.379	0.229	5.77×10^{-3}	53.98
⑤ 59.13	0.440	0.420	7.5×10^{-3}	44.88

Avg Mean = 50.32

