

# NB-331: Liquid phase H<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> of RhCrO<sub>x</sub>:Al:SrTiO<sub>3</sub> (EA-358, 0.5 mg/mL), 365 nm, 50 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, 20 °C (reproduction NB-316) |||

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Tags: O<sub>2</sub> Test Calibration NB Firesting O<sub>2</sub> sensor H<sub>2</sub> SrTiO<sub>3</sub> Unisense RhCrO<sub>x</sub>:Al:SrTiO<sub>3</sub> H<sub>2</sub> Sensor temperature In situ Trace range robust oxygen sensor photocatalysis Unisense normal range Liquid phase detection

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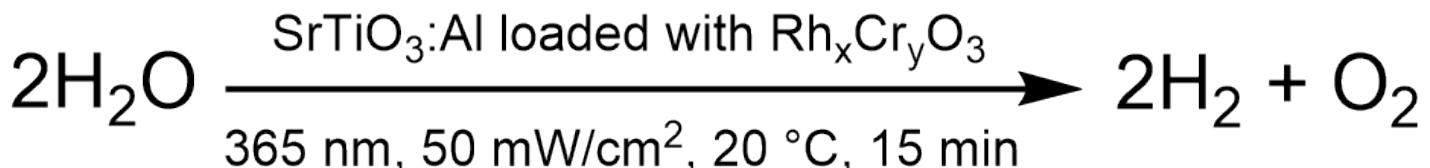
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## Objectives

Third reproduction of NB-316 - simultaneous detection of H<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> evolution in liquid phase for irradiated suspension of Rh<sub>x</sub>Cr<sub>y</sub>O<sub>3</sub>:SrTiO<sub>3</sub> suspension (EA-358, 0.5 mg/mL), 365 nm LED, 50 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, 20 °C.

## Reaction scheme



ChemDraw file linked: [NB-329-SrTiO<sub>3</sub>-photocatalytic H<sub>2</sub>O splitting.cdxml](#)

## Literature/reference experiments

Literature	/
Reproduction	SrTiO <sub>3</sub> - NB-329: Liquid phase H <sub>2</sub> and O <sub>2</sub> of RhCrO <sub>x</sub> :Al:SrTiO <sub>3</sub> (EA-358, 0.5 mg/mL), 365 nm, 50 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> , 20 °C (reproduction NB-316)     SrTiO <sub>3</sub> - NB-316: Liquid phase H <sub>2</sub> and O <sub>2</sub> of RhCrO <sub>x</sub> :Al:SrTiO <sub>3</sub> (EA-358, 0.5 mg/mL), 365 nm, 50 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> , 20 °C SrTiO <sub>3</sub> - NB-320: Liquid phase H <sub>2</sub> and O <sub>2</sub> of RhCrO <sub>x</sub> :Al:SrTiO <sub>3</sub> (EA-358, 0.5 mg/mL), 365 nm, 50 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> , 20 °C (reproduction NB-316)
Similar experiments	/

## Reagents

Name	CAS Number / Experiment Number	Inventor y number	Amount [mmol]	Equivalen ts	Mass <sub>theo</sub> [mg]	Mass <sub>exp</sub> [mg]	Molar mass [g/mol]	Densit y (g/ml)	Volume [ml]	Pressure [bar]	Concentrati on [mM]
milli-Q H <sub>2</sub> O	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	0.998	25 + 25 (for calibration)	/	/

Al:SrTiO <sub>3</sub> RhCrO <sub>x</sub> (EA-358)	SrTiO <sub>3</sub> - EA-358: Modification of Al:SrTiO <sub>3</sub> (EA-354) via deposition of Rh, Cr oxide co-catalyst, 350°C, 1h, Upscaling (3.33x)	/	/	/	12.50	12.53	/	/	/	/	/	/
Hydrogen	1333-74-0	/	/	/	/	/	/	/	2 balloons (ca. 2 L)	approx. 1	/	/

## Excel sheet for reagent calculation

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## Irradiation Parameters

Power measurement was performed using [Power Meter - 843-R-USB + 919P-020-12](#) in [Equipment - Advanced power measurement setup V1.0 I](#)

Power measurement was performed in experiment [Prep work - NB-314: Measuring power output of UHP-365 nm #4 with 18A-4 in advanced irradiation setup](#)

	Name
Used Set-up	<a href="#">Equipment - Advanced irradiation setup V1.0 I</a>
Irradiation setup number	<a href="#">Equipment - Irradiation setup 4 (CEEC II, E002)</a>

	Light Source Name	Power Source Name	Wavelength [nm]	Power Setting [mW]	Analog Setting [0.00 - 10.00]
<b>First light source</b>	<a href="#">Light Source - UHP LED 365 nm-4</a>	<a href="#">Power Sources - BLS-18000-14</a>	365	56	0.19

<b>Used beam combiner [Name or None]</b>	/
<b>Irradiation distance [cm]</b>	6.5
<b>Thermostat temperature [°C]</b>	20

<b>Stirring speed [rpm]</b>	500
<b>Irradiation start:</b> <b>1. Firesting [relative to start log]</b> <b>2. Unisense</b>	1. 600 s 2. 18:36:13
<b>Irradiation stop:</b> <b>1. Firesting [relative to start log]</b> <b>2. Unisense</b>	1. 1515 s 2. 18:51:28

## O<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub> sensor equipment

	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Used protocol</b>
Used Firesting	Equipment - Firesting Fiber-Optic Oxygen Meter 2 Channel (Firesting 2)	Protocol - Operation of Firesting Fiber-Optic Oxygen Meter 2 Channel Software
Used O <sub>2</sub> sensor	Equipment - Robust probe for liquid O <sub>2</sub> measurement	Protocol - In-situ hydrogen and oxygen measurement in H <sub>2</sub> /O <sub>2</sub> reactor
Used H <sub>2</sub> sensor	Equipment - H <sub>2</sub> UniAmp Sensor - Normal range - 2.1 x 80 mm needle	Protocol - In-situ hydrogen and oxygen measurement in H <sub>2</sub> /O <sub>2</sub> reactor

## Procedure/observations

Date	Time	Step	Observations	Pictures/Files
03.11.2025		The experiment was done according to <a href="#">Protocol - In-situ hydrogen and oxygen measurement in H<sub>2</sub>/O<sub>2</sub> reactor</a> Important steps and deviations are listed below	/	/
	11:20-12:21	Conditioning of H <sub>2</sub> sensor	<b>NB-331-Logger1</b> 1.78 mV at the end of polarization procedure	<a href="#">NB-331-Logger-pre-polarization.bmp</a> <a href="#">NB-331-Logger1-pre-polarization.csv</a>
	13:30-40	Assembling the setup for calibration (25 mL of water was added using graduated cylinder), done according to <a href="#">Protocol - Liquid phase calibration of H<sub>2</sub> UniAmp sensor</a> with H <sub>2</sub> bubbling.	/	/

	13:56	Start of O2 logging.	<b>NB-331-Ch2-1</b>	2025-11-03_135629_NB-331-Ch2-1.txt 2025-11-03_135629_NB-331-Ch2-1.png
	13:57	Start of H2 logging.	<b>NB-331-Logger2</b>	NB-331-Logger2.bmp NB-332-Logger2.csv
	13:59	Degassing was started.	/	20251103_140014-degassing of water.jpg
	14:36	Moving cannula to the gas phase above the suspension.	/	/
	14:37	Introducing H2 sensor into the reactor under Ar flow.	/	/
	14:39	0 ppm was taken.	/	/
	14:48	H2 bubbling of the reactor was started	14:48 no H2 purging, GL14 cap needs to be replaced.	/
	14:54	Stop of O2 and H2 loggings.	/	/
	ca. 15:00-15:10	Change of GL14 cap	/	/
	15:21	Start O2 logging.	<b>NB-331-Ch2-2</b>	2025-11-03_152144_NB-331-Ch2-2.txt 2025-11-03_152144_NB-331-Ch2-2.png
	15:23	Start H2 logging.	<b>NB-331-Logger3</b>	NB-331-Logger3-2 point calibration.bmp NB-331-Logger3-calibration step.bmp NB-331-Logger3-calibration.csv
	15:24	Start degassing.	/	/
	16:08	Moving cannula to gas phase above the suspension.	/	/
	16:10	Introducing H2 sensor under Ar flow.	/	/
	16:19	Removing cannula, closing the valve.	/	/

	16:20	Introducing first H2 balloon.	/	20251103_162050-first H2 balloon.jpg
	16:26	Introducing second H2 balloon.	/	20251103_162709-with the 2nd balloon.jpg
	16:33	1.000.000 ppm point was taken and calibration was saved	852 mV (removed and at 16:35 854 mV was taken), slope: 1.072, 796 uM	20251103_163319-H2 table.jpg
	16:36	Stop of H2 logging.	/	/
	16:36	Stop of O2 logging.	/	/
	ca. 16:50	Deassembling the setup, drying the reactor with acetone and compressed air .	/	/
	<b>Sample preparation</b>			
	17:15	Weighing EA-358 photocatalyst in a 50 mL vial.	/	/
	17:25	Addition of 25 mL H2O to the vial via graduated cylinder.	/	/
	17:26-29	The suspension was vortexed for 3 min ( Equipment - VWR® VV3, Vortex Mixer, stage 4/6), covered with Al foil before further use.	Milky white suspension	20251103_173021-suspension after vortex.jpg
		Continue in Protocol - In-situ hydrogen and oxygen measurement in H2/O2 reactor from step 6		
	ca. 17:30	Assembling the setup.	Currently, stopper instead of H <sub>2</sub> sensor, PT100, PT1000 and O <sub>2</sub> robust probe are inside the reactor immersed in the liquid phase	
	17:35-40	The suspension was transferred to the reactor using glass pipette (preliminary the vial was manually shaken ca. 15 s) .	/	
	17:44	Start of O2 logging.	<b>NB-331-Ch2-3</b>	2025-11-03_174410_NB-331-Ch2-3.txt 2025-11-03_174410_NB-331-Ch2-3.png
	17:46	The degassing was started	/	20251103_174646-degassing of the suspension.jpg
	18:18	Cannula was transferred to gas phase, above the suspension.	/	/
	18:21	H <sub>2</sub> sensor was added in Ar counterflow.	/	20251103_182720-after introducing H2 sensor.jpg
	18:24	The degassing was stopped by removing the cannula and closing the valve.	/	/
	18:25	Stop of O2 logging.	/	/

	18:26	Start of O2 logging.	<b>NB-331-Ch2-4</b>	2025-11-03_182612_NB-331-Ch2-4.txt 2025-11-03_182612_NB-331-Ch2-4.png
	18:26	Start of H2 logging.	<b>NB-331-Logger4</b>	NB-331-Logger4-during irradiation.bmp NB-331-Logger4-during irradiation.csv
	18:26-36	Equilibration time.	/	/
	18:36	The irradiation was started	/	20251103_183622-after start of irradiation.jpg
	18:51	The irradiation was stopped.	/	/
	18:51-19:01	Equilibration time.	/	/
	19:01	Stop of O2 and H2 logging.	/	/
	19:03	Deassembling the setup, cleaning the reactor.	Tips of the sensors and reactor were covered with attached photocatalyst particles, bubbles on the surface of the sensor tips. Tip: After preliminary cleaning with sticks, wipes, the residual particles attached to the walls of the reactor could be removed by sonication - fill the reactor with water and place it in ultrasonic bath for ca. 20 s (Eco mode).	20251103_190250-after irradiation.jpg

## Analysis

Used calibration for Firesting: [20250611-BOLA-fitting-liquid-phase-trace-oxygen-sensor-H2-O2 reactor.ini](#)

Used calibration for UniSense: NB-331-Logger3

*For feasibility, loggings used in calibration and photocatalytic test are highlighted in green*

Date	Time	Sample name	Analysis method	Analytical device	Solvent	Raw Data	Python script	Processed Data	Comparative Data	Interpretation
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03.11.2025	11:10	NB-331-Logger1	electrochemical H2 detection	Equipment - H2 UniAmp Sensor - Normal range - 2.1 x 80 mm needle	water	NB-331-Logger1-pre-polarization.csv	/	NB-331-Logger-pre-polarization.bmp	/	Pre-polarization.
	13:57	NB-331-Logger2	electrochemical H2 detection	Equipment - H2 UniAmp Sensor - Normal range - 2.1 x 80 mm needle	water	NB-331-Logger2.csv	/	NB-331-Logger2.bmp	/	Unsuccessful H2 purging --> replacing of GL14 cap required.
	15:23	NB-331-Logger3	electrochemical H2 detection	Equipment - H2 UniAmp Sensor - Normal range - 2.1 x 80 mm needle	water	NB-331-Logger3-calibration.csv	/	NB-331-Logger3-2 point calibration.bmp NB-331-Logger3-calibration step.bmp	/	2-point calibration, slope: 1.072, 796 $\mu\text{M}$ at $10^6 \text{ ppm H}_2$
	18:26	NB-331-Logger4	electrochemical H2 detection	Equipment - H2 UniAmp Sensor - Normal range - 2.1 x 80 mm needle	water	NB-331-Logger4-during irradiation.csv	NB-331-1.py	NB-331-Logger4-during irradiation.bmp	SrTiO3 - NB-316: Liquid phase H2 and O2 of RhCrOx,Al:SrTiO3 (EA-358, 0.5 mg/mL), 365 nm, 50 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> , 20 °C	During irradiation.
	13:56	NB-331-Ch2-1	Optical O2 detection	Equipment - Firesting Fiber-Optic Oxygen Meter 2 Channel	water	2025-11-03_135629_NB-331-Ch2-1.txt	/	2025-11-03_135629_NB-331-Ch2-1.png	/	First degassing of water.
	15:21	NB-331-Ch2-2	Optical O2 detection	Equipment - Firesting Fiber-Optic Oxygen Meter 2 Channel	water	2025-11-03_152144_NB-331-Ch2-2.txt	/	2025-11-03_152144_NB-331-Ch2-2.png	/	Second degassing and calibration of H2 sensor.
	17:44	NB-331-Ch2-3	Optical O2 detection	Equipment - Firesting Fiber-Optic Oxygen Meter 2 Channel	water	2025-11-03_174410_NB-331-Ch2-3.txt	/	2025-11-03_174410_NB-331-Ch2-3.png	/	Degassing of the suspension.
	18:26	NB-331-Ch2-4	Optical O2 detection	Equipment - Firesting Fiber-Optic Oxygen Meter 2 Channel	water	2025-11-03_182612_NB-331-Ch2-4.txt	NB-331-1.py	2025-11-03_182612_NB-331-Ch2-4.png	SrTiO3 - NB-316: Liquid phase H2 and O2 of RhCrOx,Al:SrTiO3 (EA-358, 0.5 mg/mL), 365 nm, 50 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> , 20 °C	Photocatalytic test (initial rate of O2 formation is faster than H2, afterwards close to 1:1 ratio).

## Results

Simultaneous H<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> measurements of irradiated suspension of EA-358 (0.5 mg/mL) in O<sub>2</sub>/H<sub>2</sub> photoreactor under 365 nm irradiation (50 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, 20 °C, 15 min) were performed, reference conditions.

initial rate of O<sub>2</sub> formation (first minutes of irradiation) is faster than H<sub>2</sub>, afterwards close to 1:1 ratio, some steps in O<sub>2</sub> curve, should be monitored afterwards.

## Linked experiments

SrTiO<sub>3</sub> - NB-316: Liquid phase H<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> of RhCrO<sub>x</sub>,Al:SrTiO<sub>3</sub> (EA-358, 0.5 mg/mL), 365 nm, 50 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, 20 °C

SrTiO<sub>3</sub> - NB-319: Liquid phase H<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> of RhCrO<sub>x</sub>,Al:SrTiO<sub>3</sub> (EA-358, 0.5 mg/mL), 365 nm, 50 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, 20 °C (reproduction NB-316)

SrTiO<sub>3</sub> - NB-320: Liquid phase H<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> of RhCrO<sub>x</sub>,Al:SrTiO<sub>3</sub> (EA-358, 0.5 mg/mL), 365 nm, 50 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, 20 °C (reproduction NB-316) I

SrTiO<sub>3</sub> - NB-329: Liquid phase H<sub>2</sub> and O<sub>2</sub> of RhCrO<sub>x</sub>,Al:SrTiO<sub>3</sub> (EA-358, 0.5 mg/mL), 365 nm, 50 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, 20 °C (reproduction NB-316) II

## Linked resources

Equipment - [VWR® VV3, Vortex Mixer](#)

Equipment - [Firesting Fiber-Optic Oxygen Meter 2 Channel \(Firesting 2\)](#)

Equipment - [Irradiation setup 4 \(CEEC II, E002\)](#)

Protocol - [Getting hydrogen from hydrogen bottle in CEEC II E014](#)

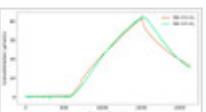
Protocol - [Liquid phase calibration of H<sub>2</sub> UniAmp sensor](#)

Protocol - [In-situ hydrogen and oxygen measurement in H<sub>2</sub>/O<sub>2</sub> reactor](#)

## Attached files

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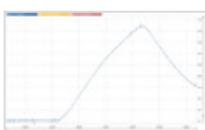


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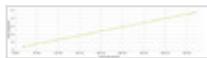
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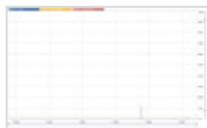


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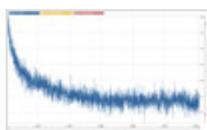


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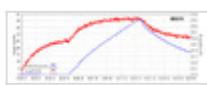


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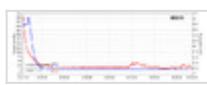


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