

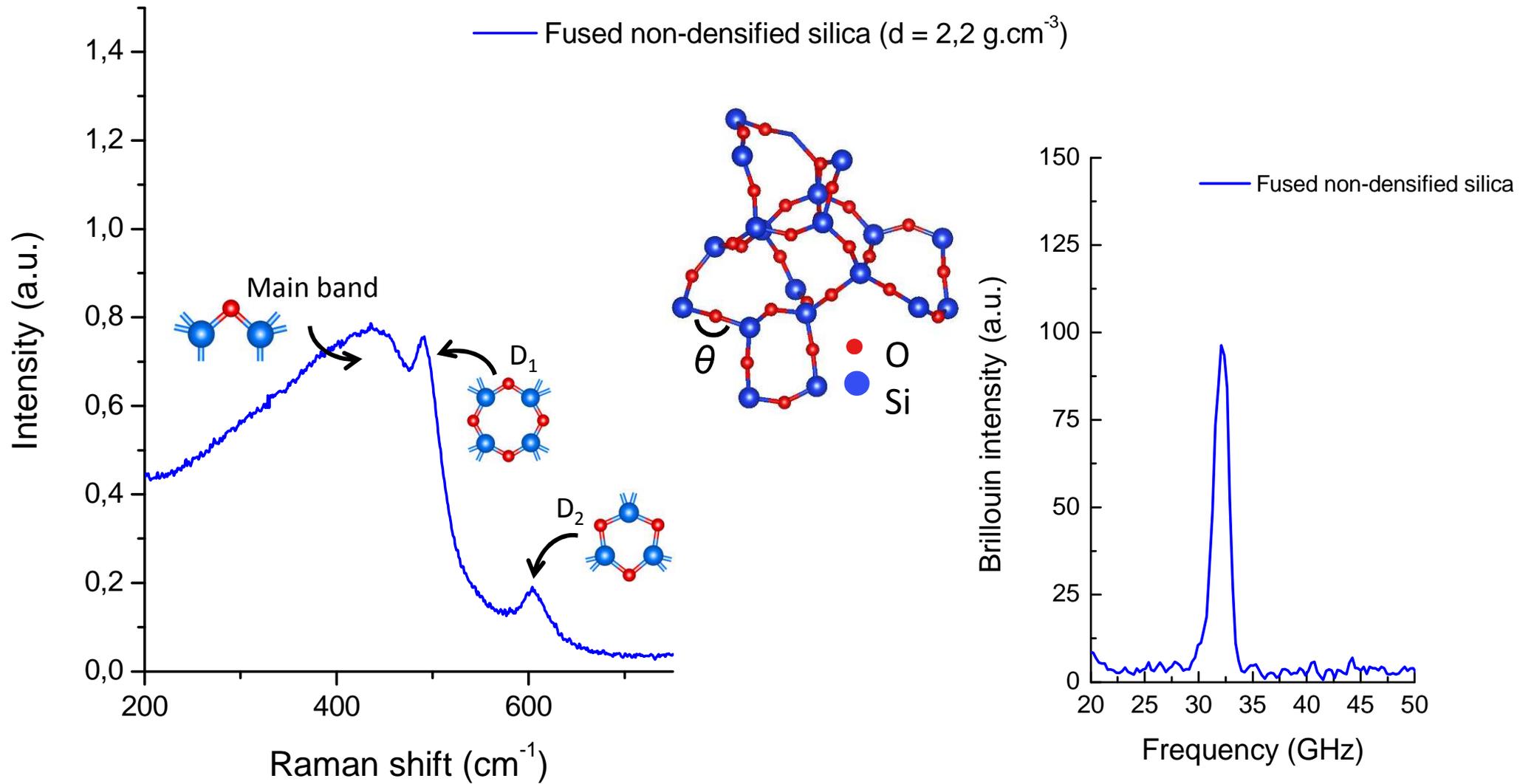
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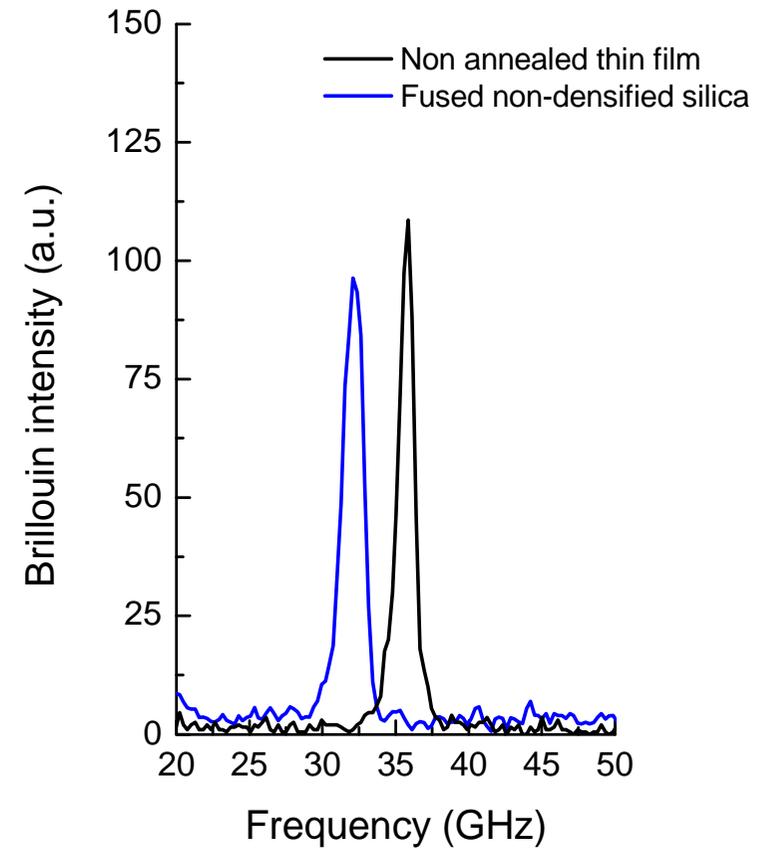
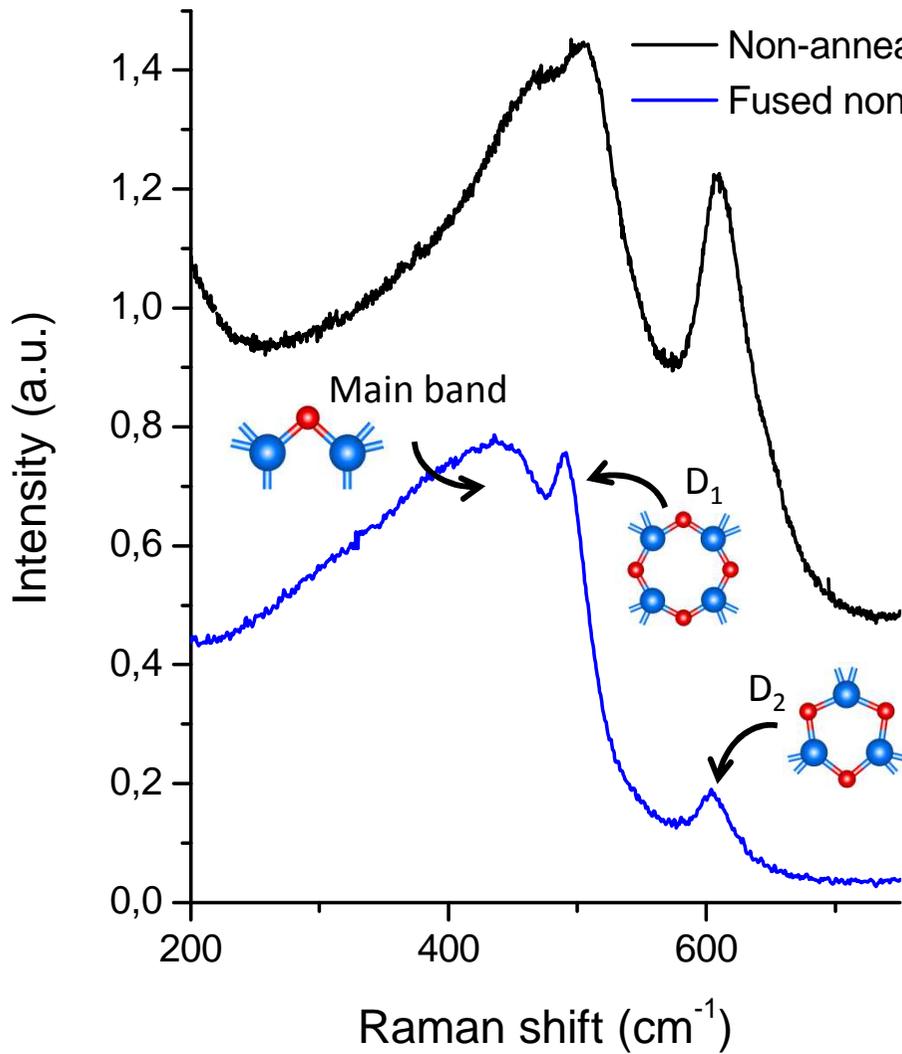
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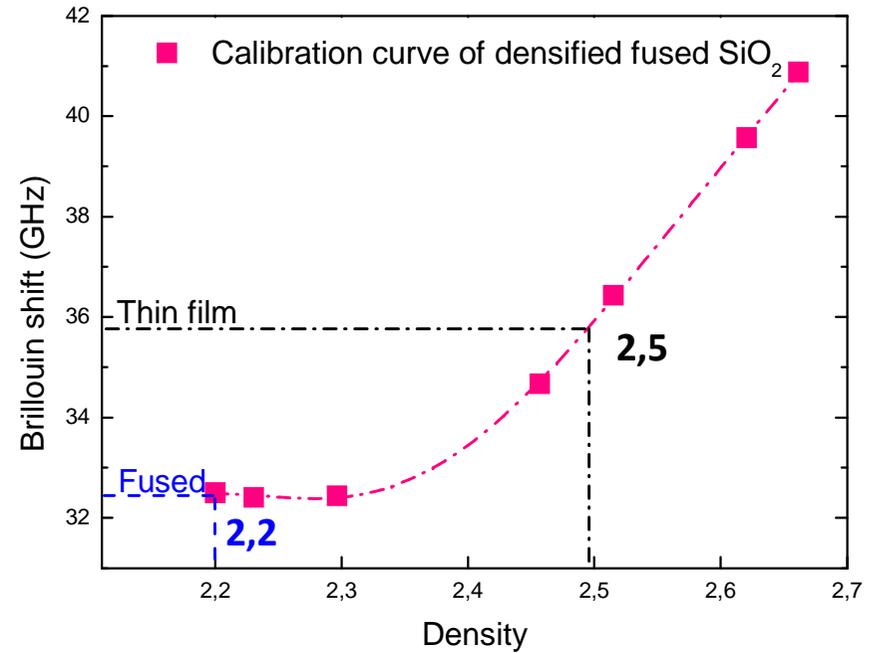
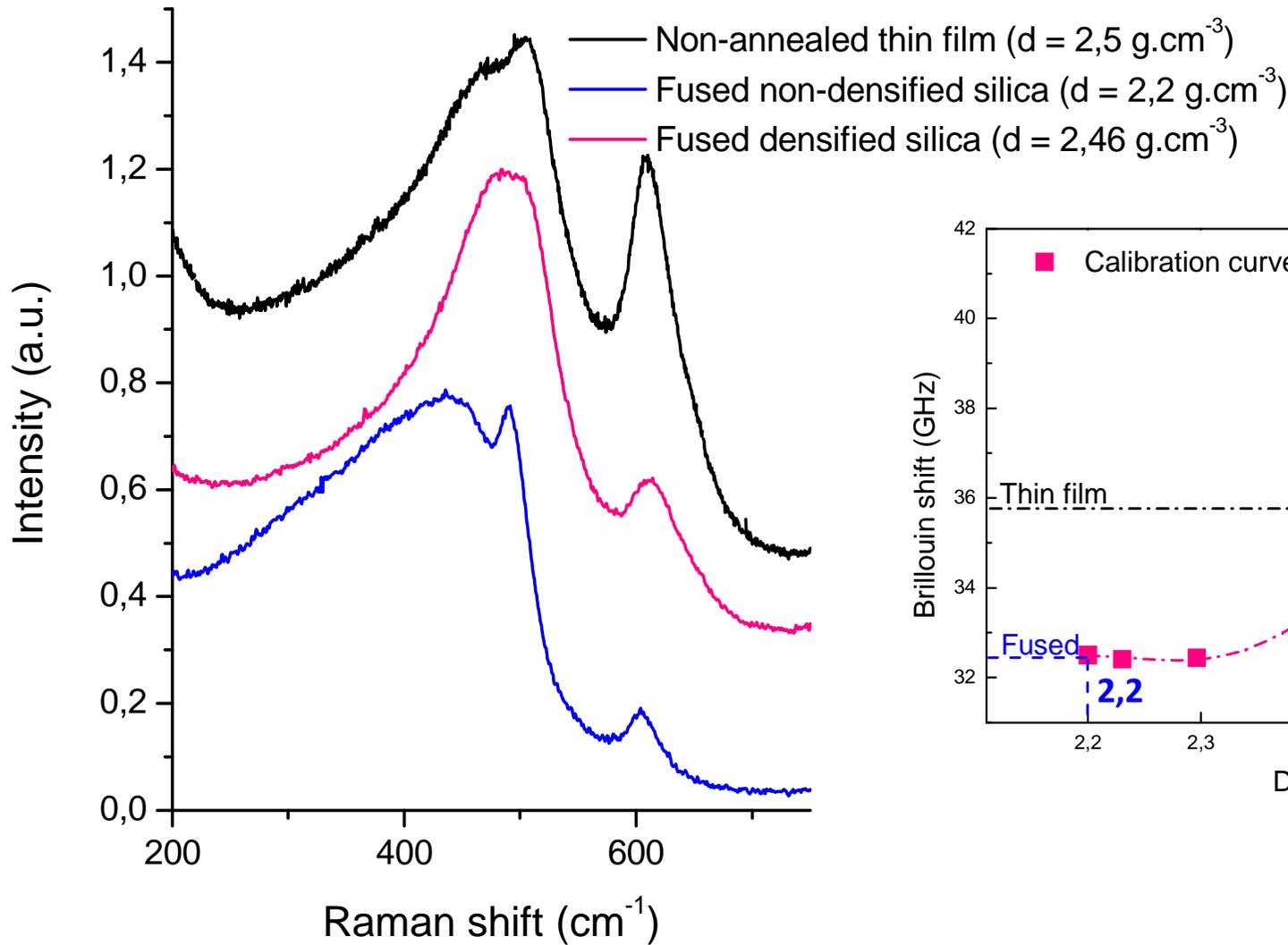
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New results on the structure :

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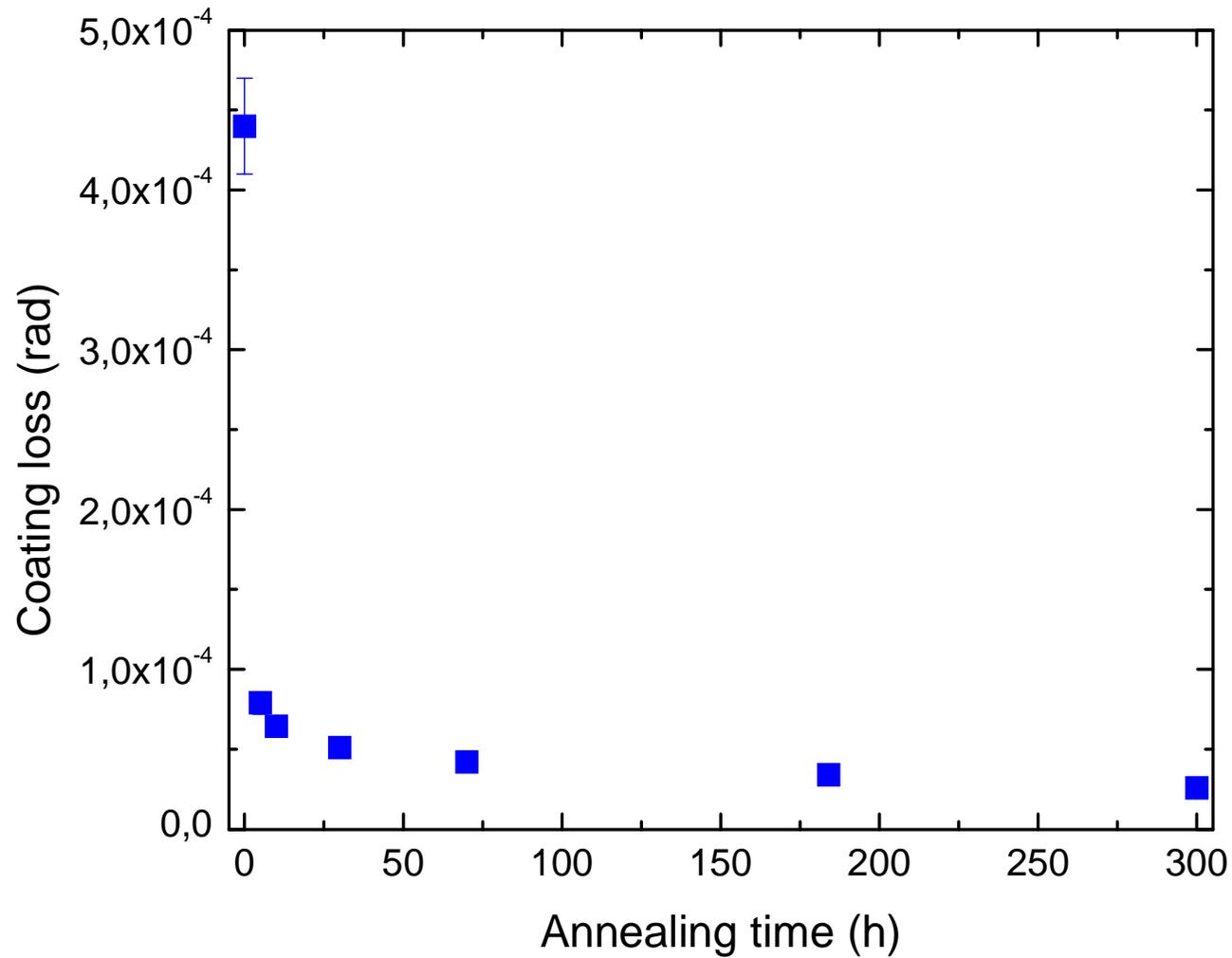






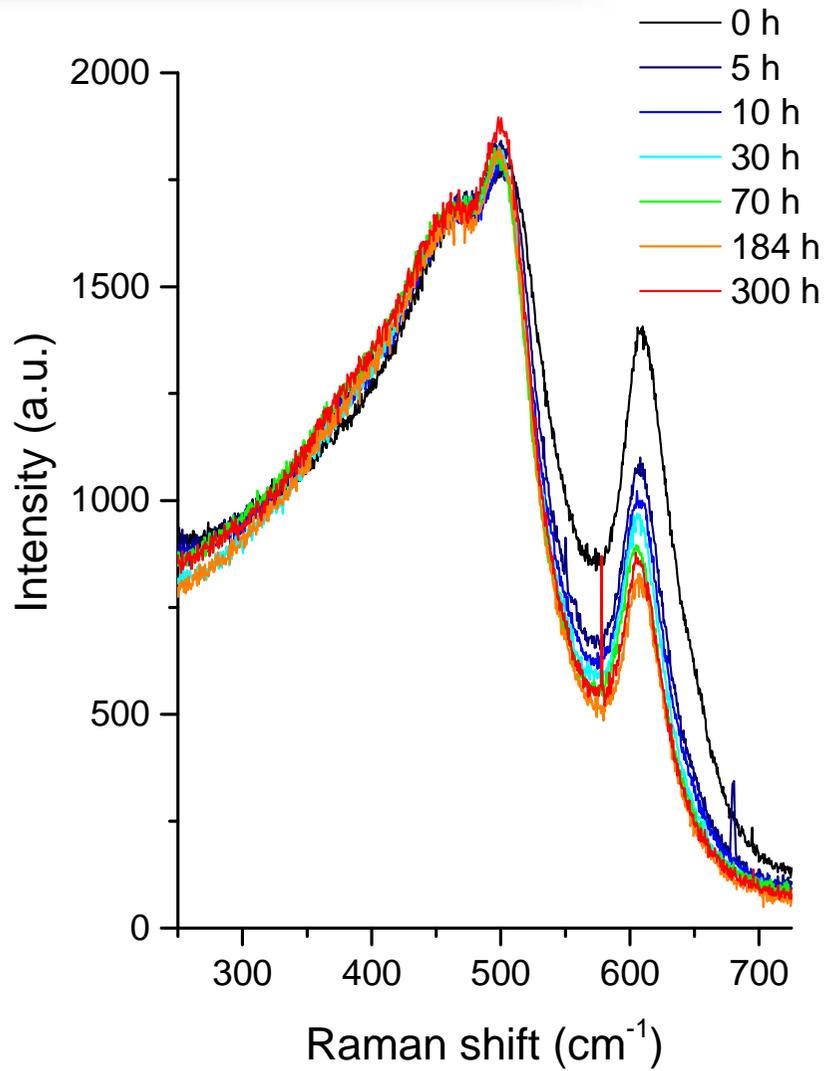
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Structure of the Ion Beam Sputtered layers closer to densified silica

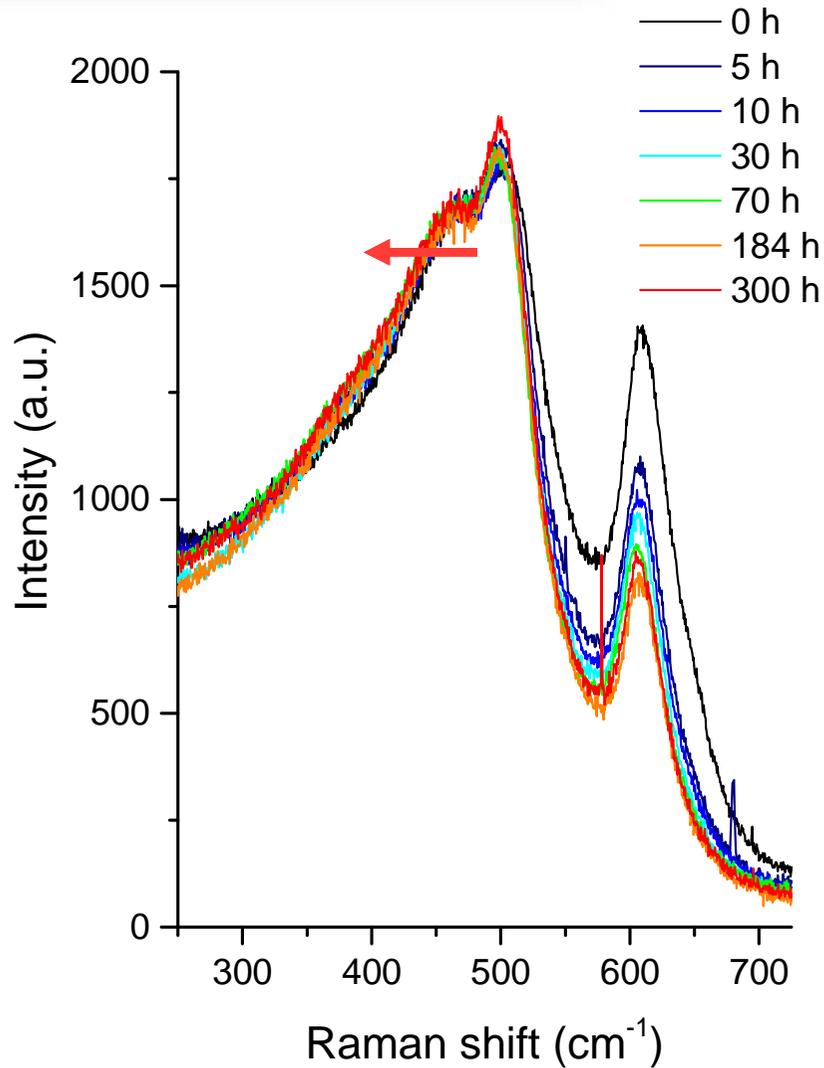


Link with the structure ?

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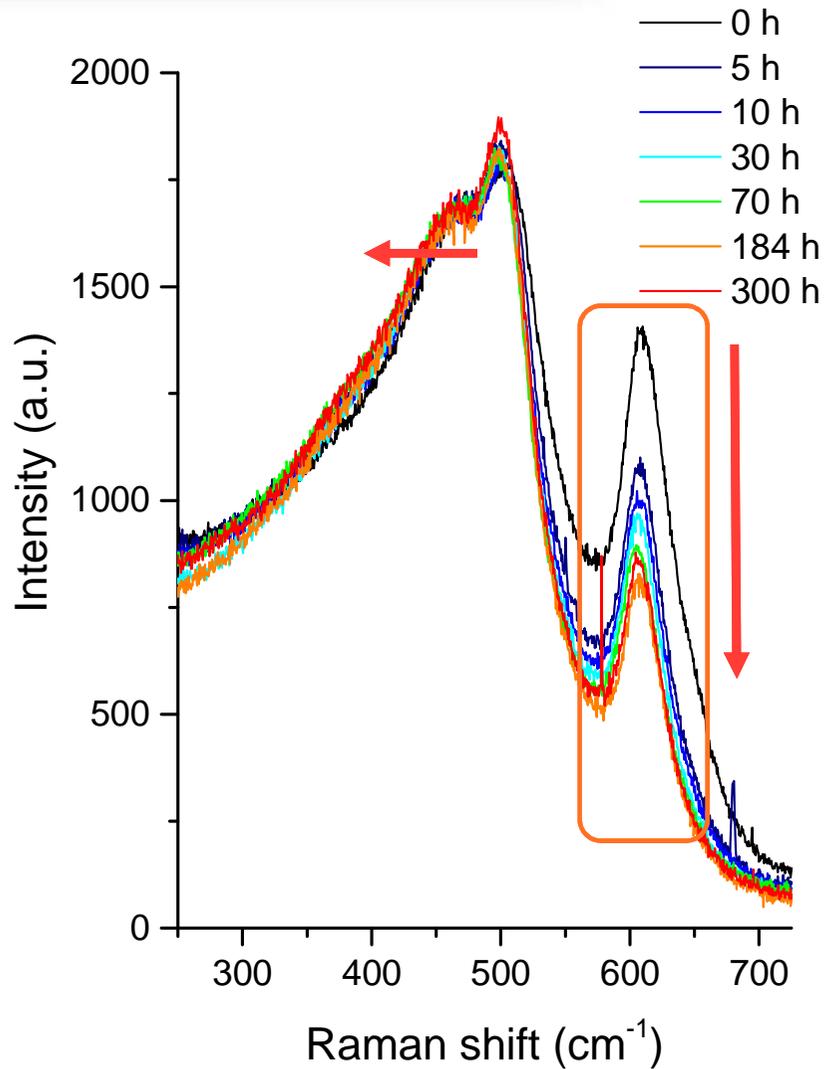
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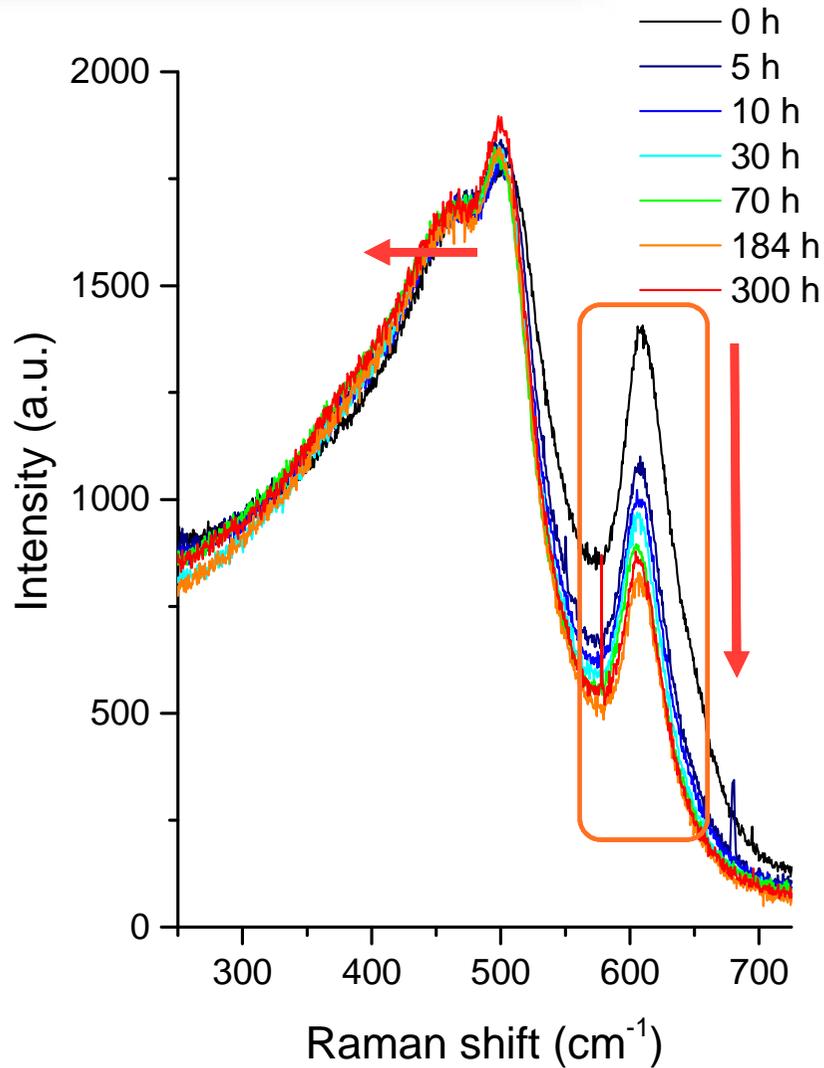
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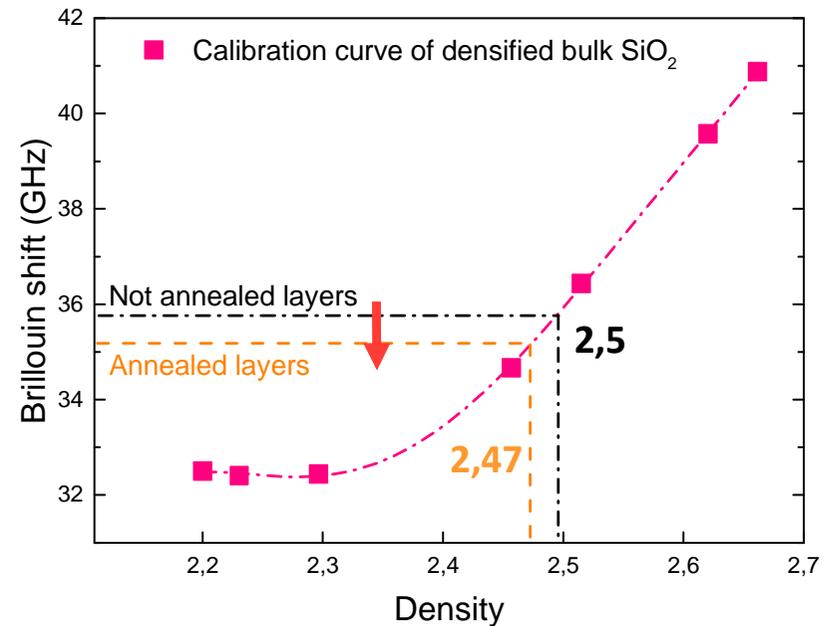


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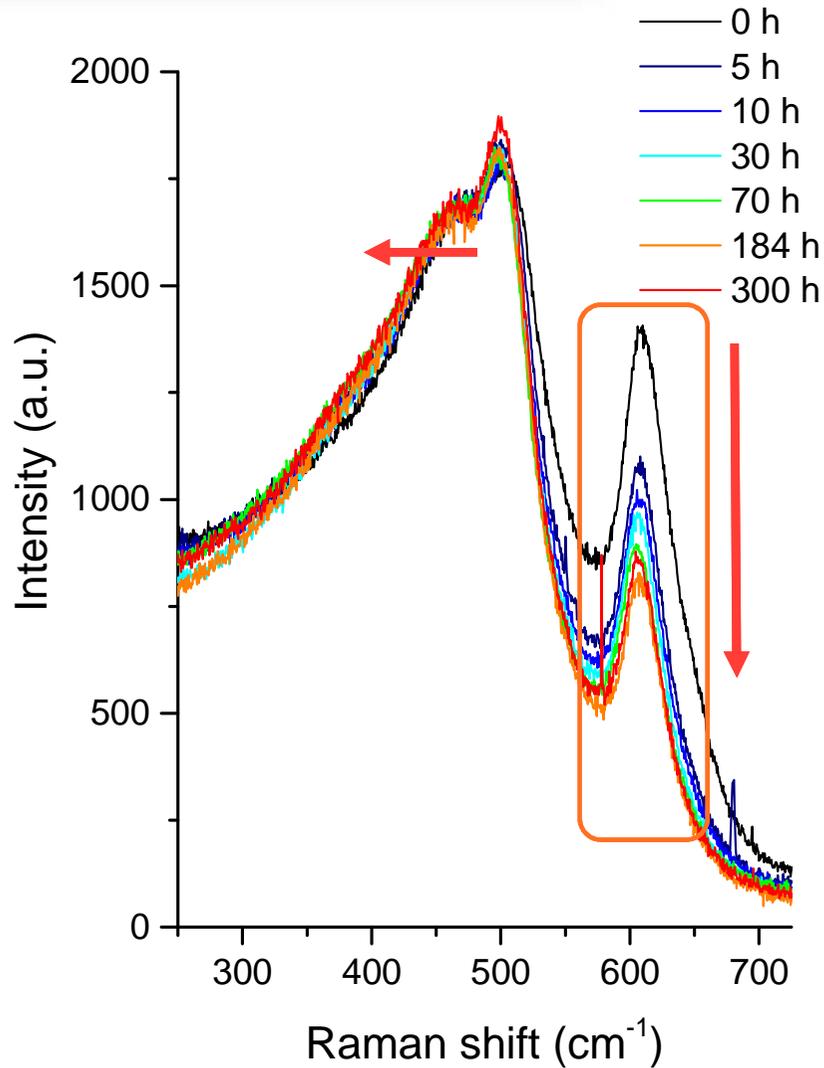
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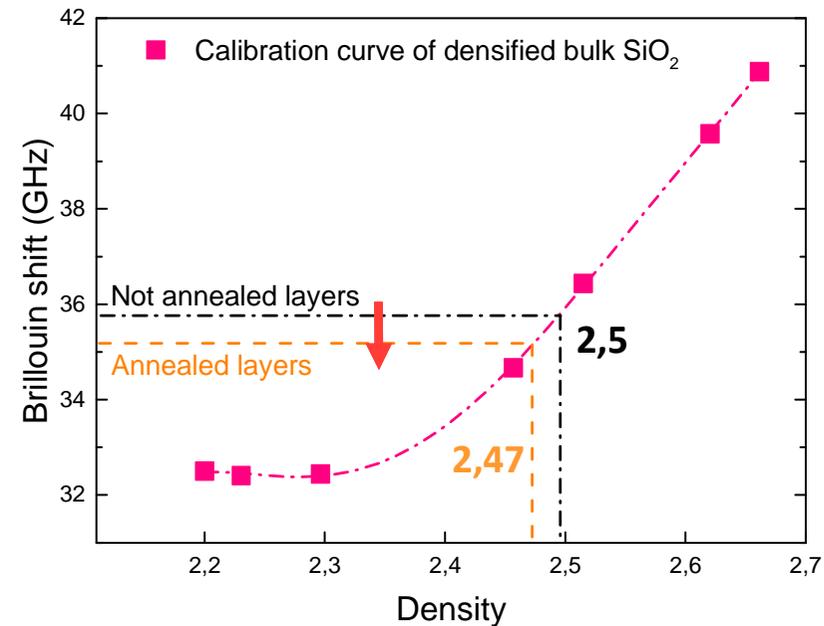


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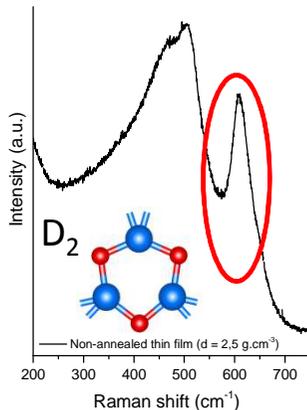
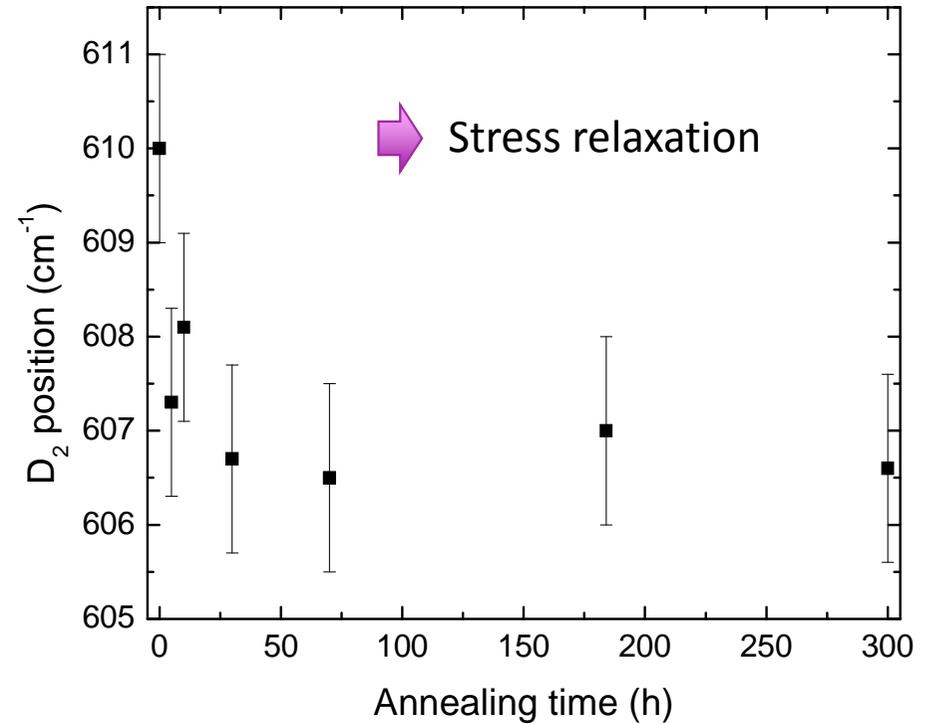
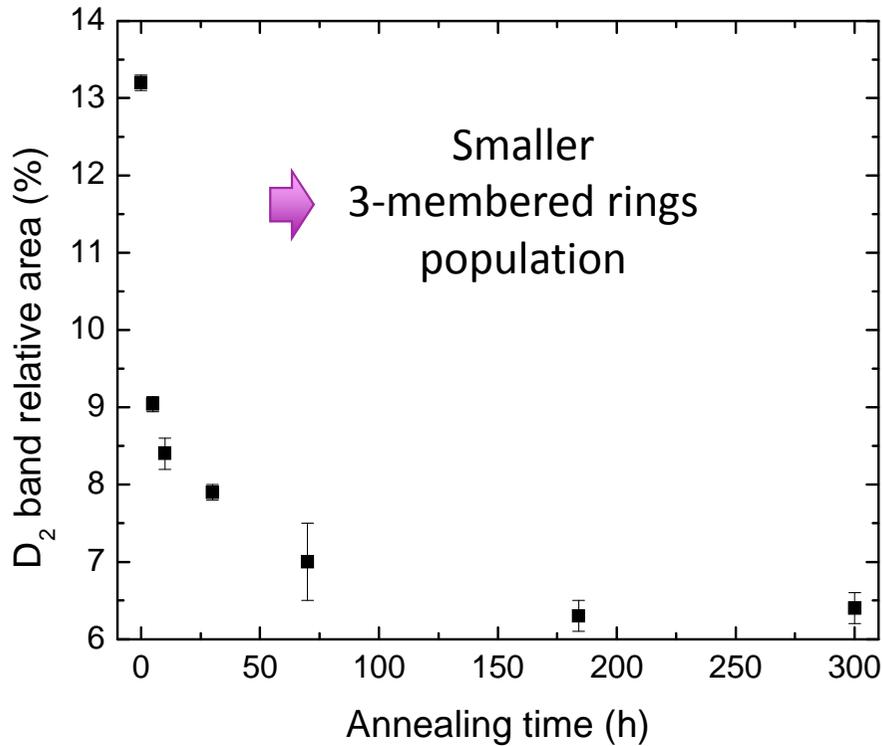
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Relaxation of the structure with annealing toward a less dense thin film

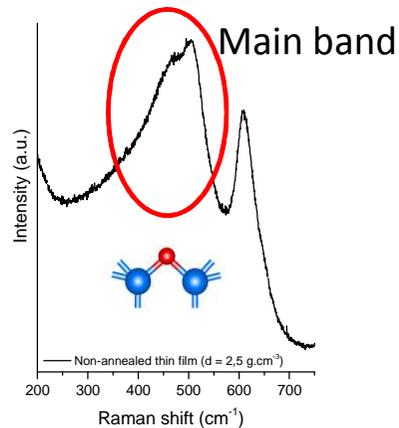
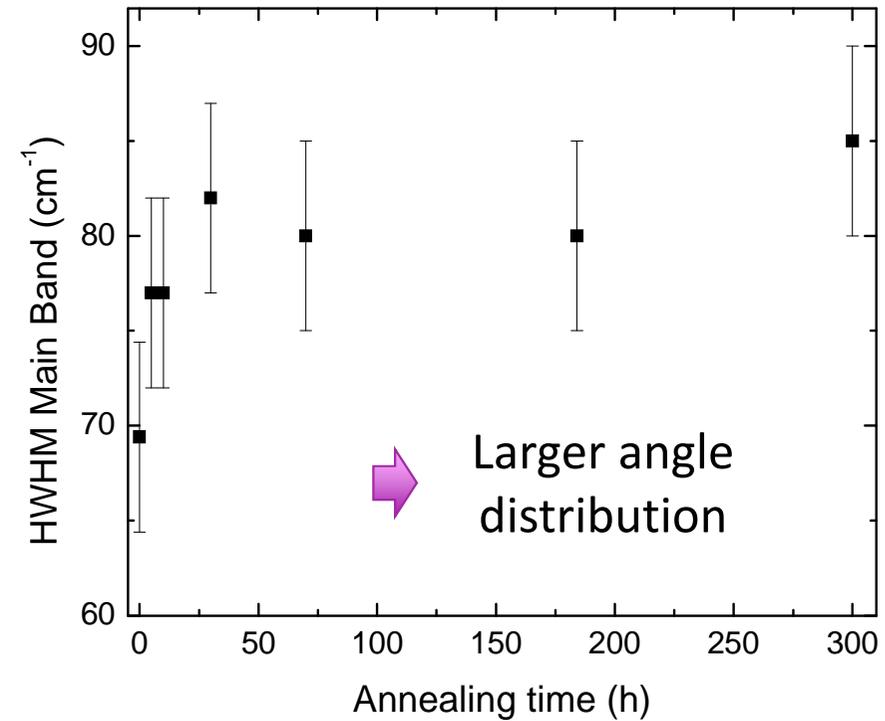
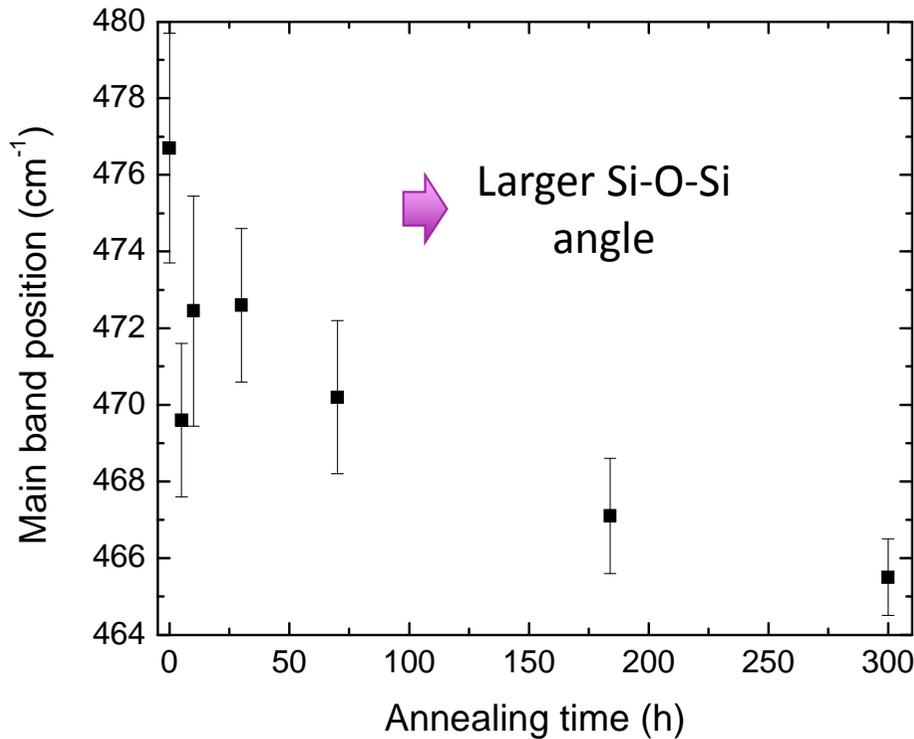
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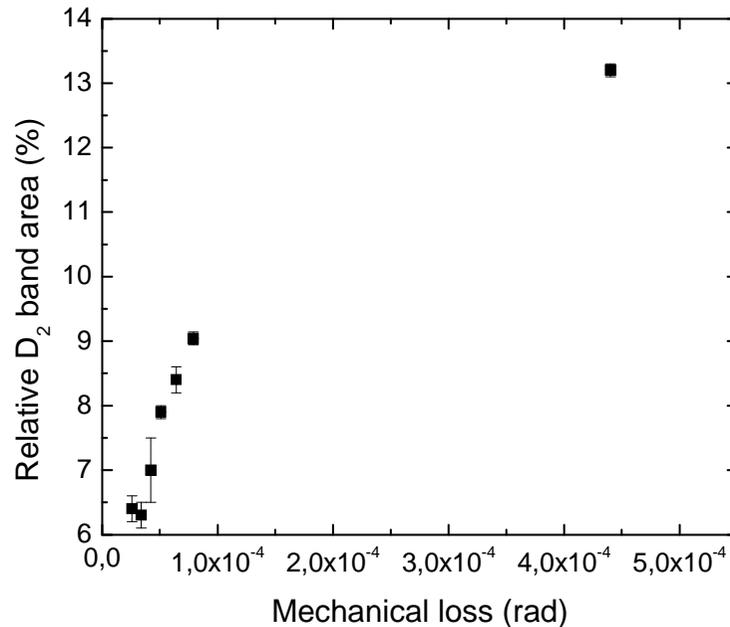
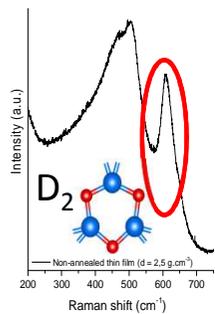
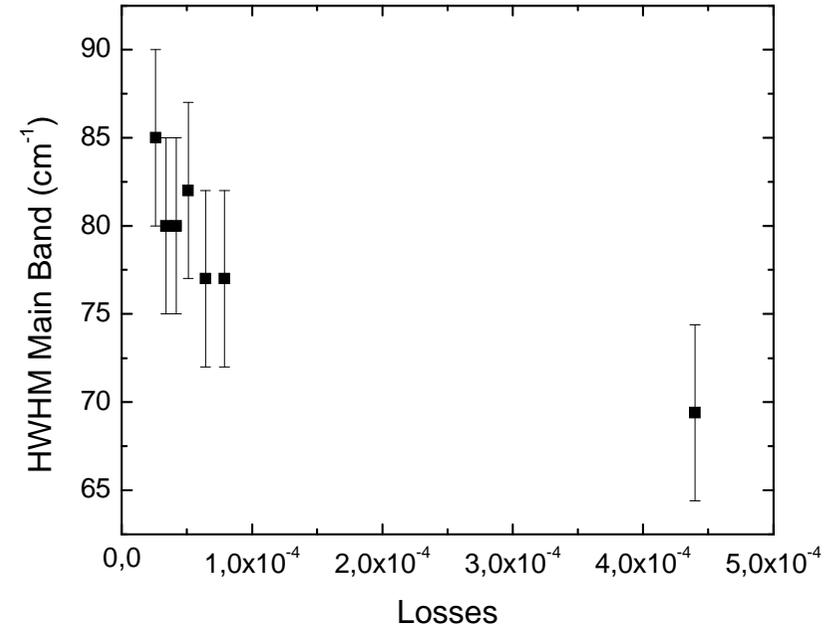
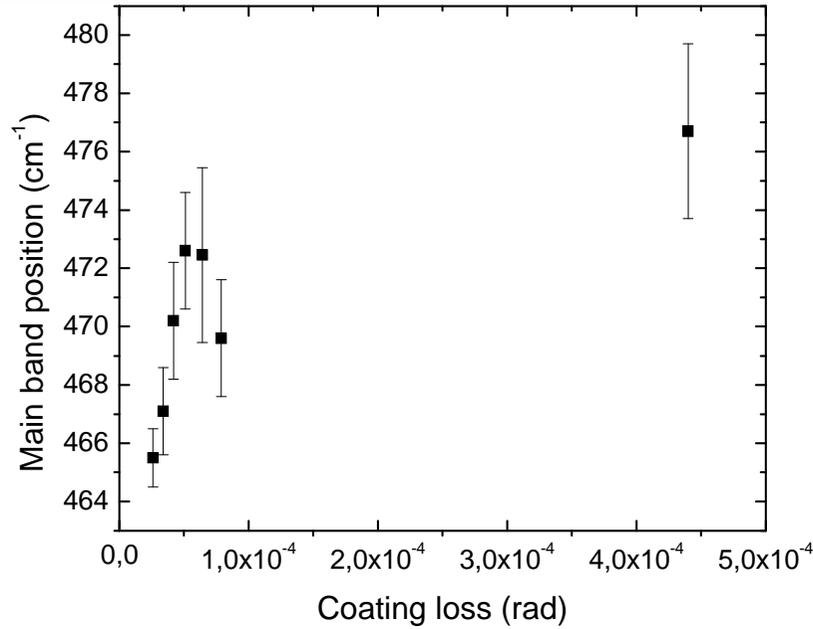
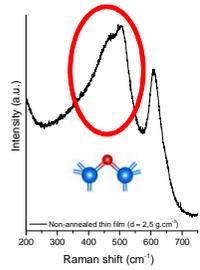
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Link between coating loss and structure



Clear correlation between the 3-membered rings population and the coating loss

- Denser structure of the layers compare to fused silica
- Annealing leading to a more relaxed structure and loss decrease

Origin of the loss by modelisation

- *Anderson et al* :
lateral motion of O perpendicularly to Si-O bonds
- *Hamdan et al (2014)* :
tetrahedral chain rearrangement via rotation and stretching of Si-O bonds (10 to 100 atoms)



Structural modifications
needing low activation
energy : available at $T \ll T_g$

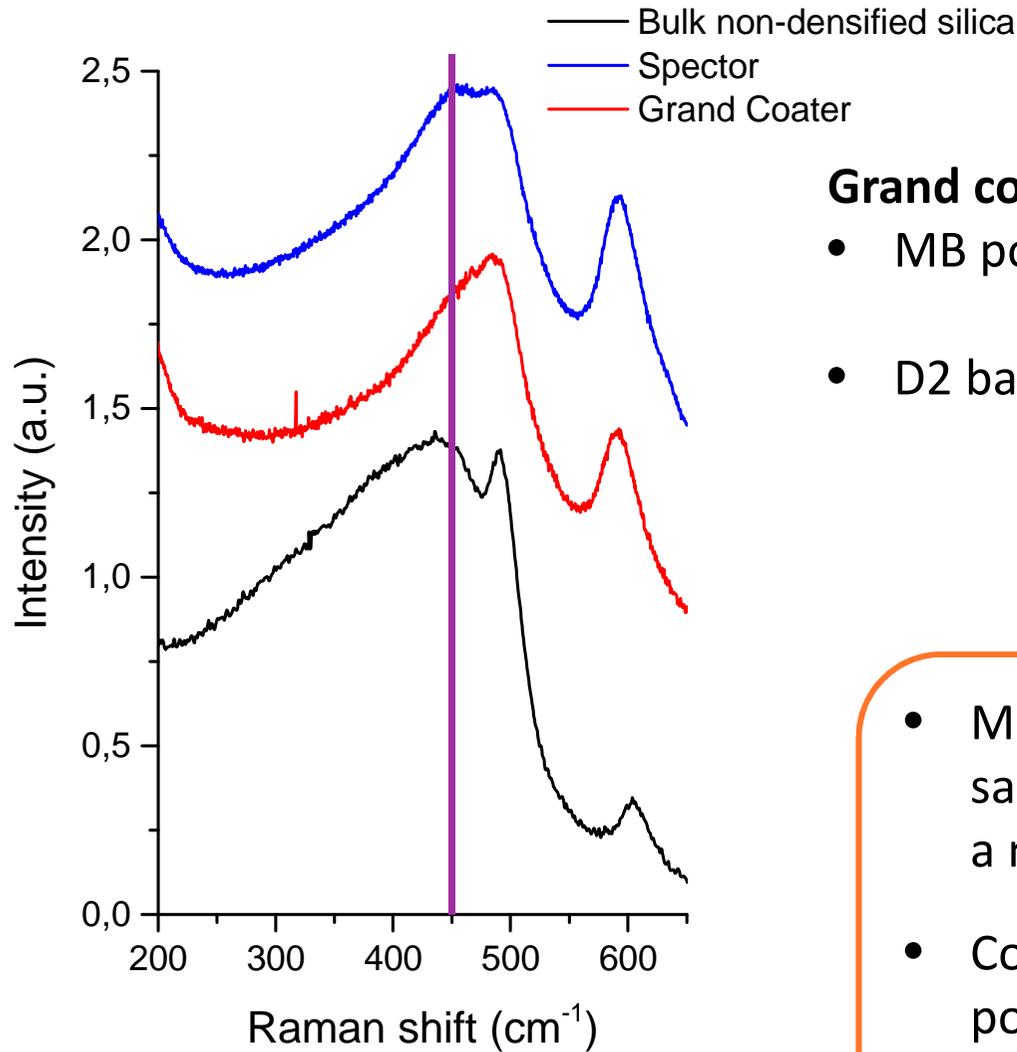
Info given by Raman spectroscopy

- *D₂ band* : 3-membered rings breathing mode
 - Area decrease : smaller 3-fold population -> stress relaxation



Relation between 3-fold
rings and two level
systems (TLS) energy
landscape ?

II - Effect of the deposition parameters on the structure



Grand coater compared to Spector :

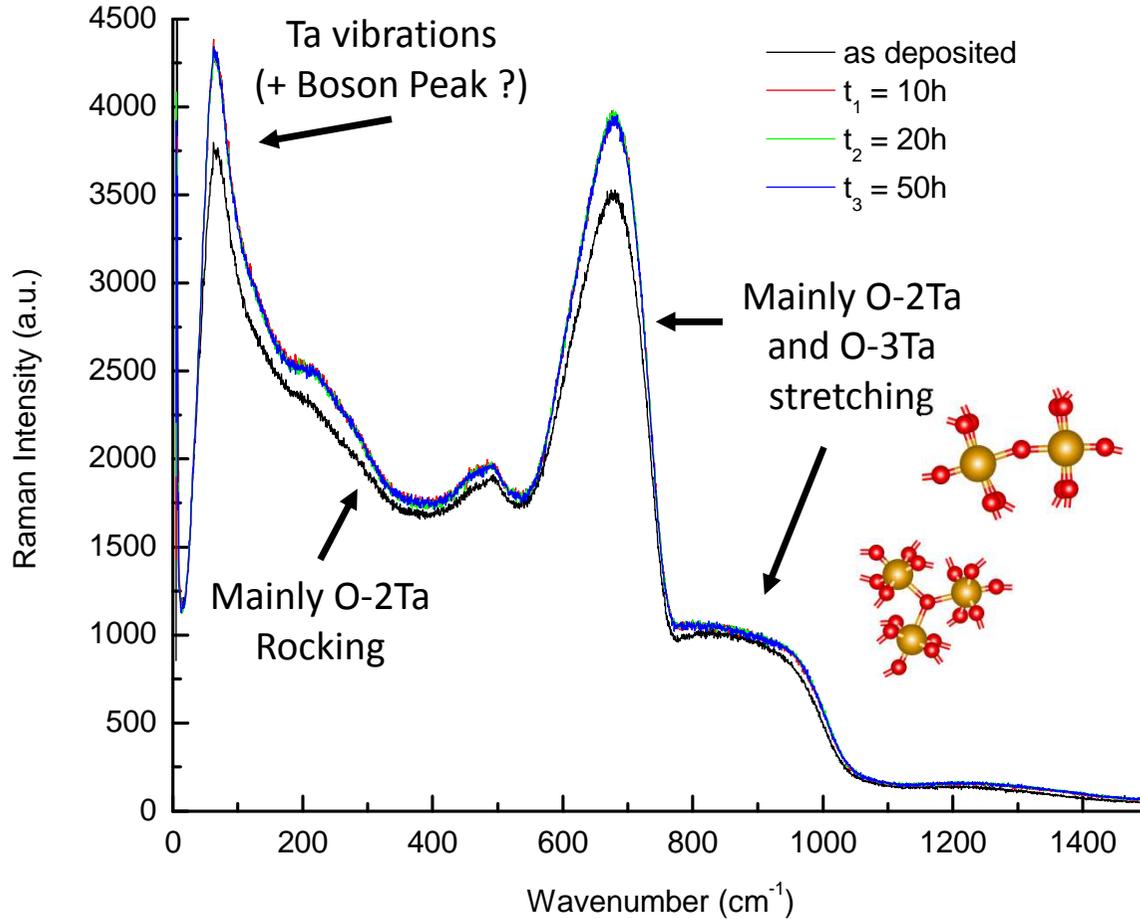
- MB position Grand Coater > Spector
⇒ Smaller inter tetrahedral angles
- D2 band area Grand Coater < Spector
⇒ Smaller 3-membered ring population

- Mechanical loss of Grand Coater sample lower than Spector : linked with a more “relaxed” structure
- Correlation between 3-membered rings population and mechanical losses as seen with annealing.

- Structural relaxation of the amorphous silica coating with annealing towards less dense glass
- Correlation between the mechanical losses and the 3-membered rings population
- Important impact of deposition parameters on the amorphous silica layers

What about Ta_2O_5 layers ?

III - Ta₂O₅ coatings : Evolution with annealing



Average coordination number in Ta₂O₅ :

| Tantalum | % | Oxygen | % |
|----------|------|----------|------|
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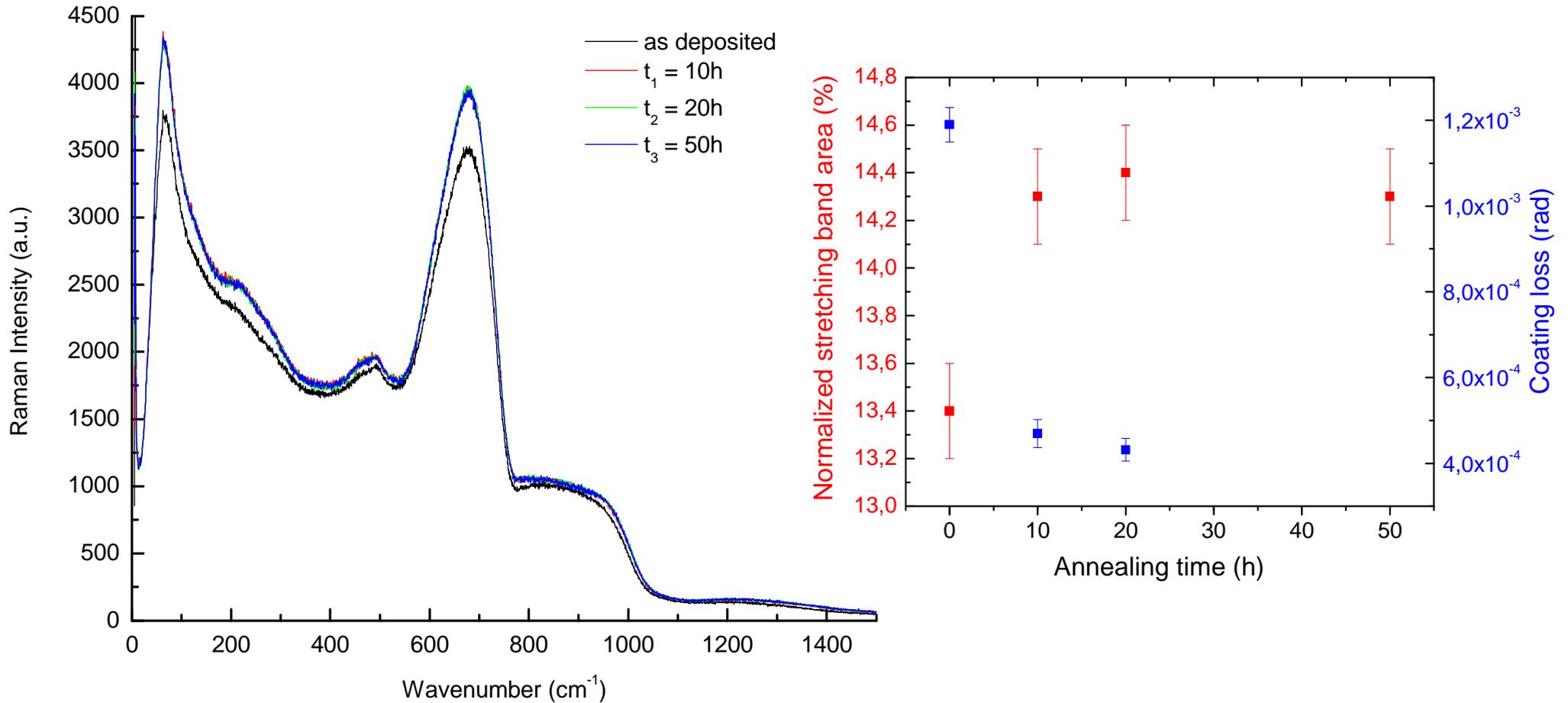
Coordination and band attribution done by the simulation group at the ILM.

T. Damart et al., JAP **119** (2016)

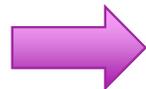
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III - Ta₂O₅ coatings : Evolution with annealing

T = 500 °C



- Similar evolution with coating loss
- Less structural evolution visible on the Raman spectrum than in silica glass



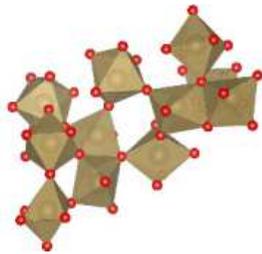
Need to better understand the structure and its possible evolutions

IV - Comparison between TiO_2 and Ta_2O_5 structures

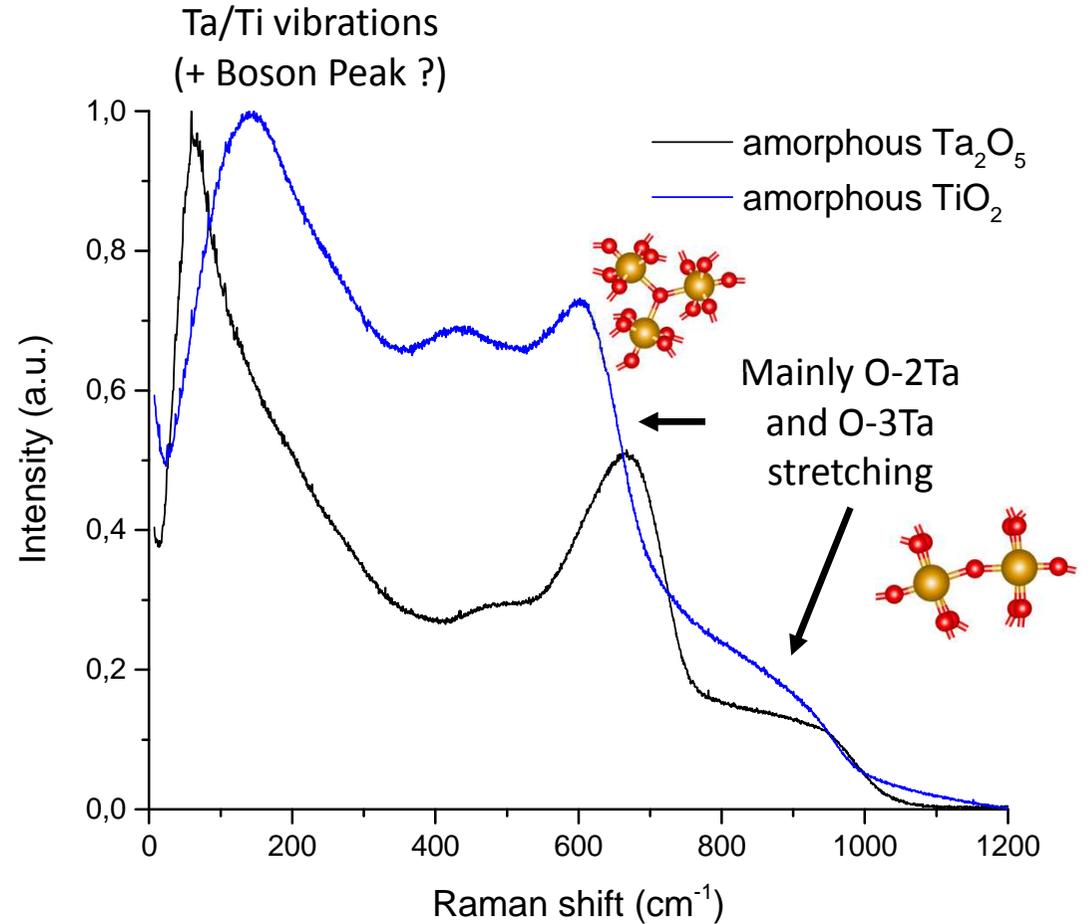
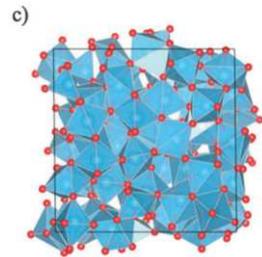
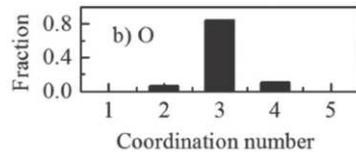
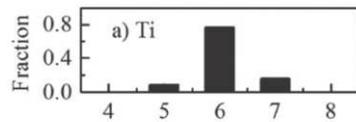
Amorphous TiO_2 structure close to that of Ta_2O_5

Damart et al., JAP (2016) Ta_2O_5

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Pham et Wang, PCCP (2015) TiO_2



Cristalline phase associated with $\alpha\text{-TiO}_2$: anatase

Understand the link between the mechanical losses and the structure

- Vibrational spectroscopies : useful tool to probe the structural evolution of thin films
- Correlation between mechanical losses and the 3-membered rings population
- Importance of the deposition parameters on the structure and on the mechanical losses

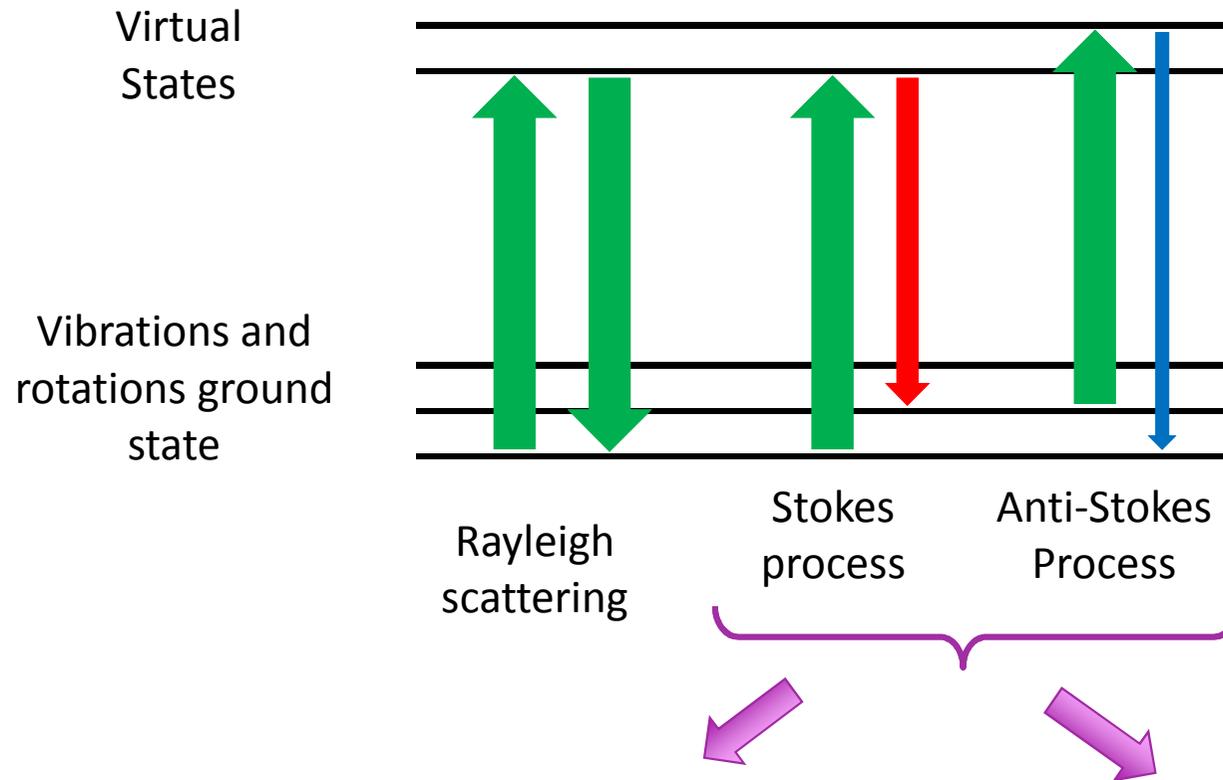
Perspectives :

- Effect of different doping on the structure
- Effect of the deposition temperature

RAMAN

BRILLOUIN

Based on **inelastic scattering** of a **monochromatic** incident radiation

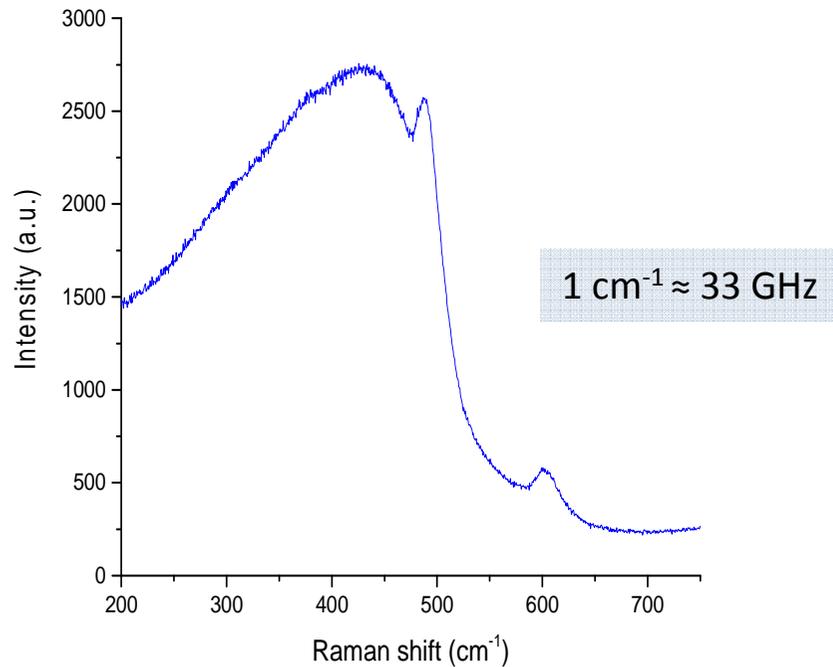


Raman scattering arises from fluctuations of polarizability

Brillouin scattering arises from fluctuations of dielectric susceptibility

Raman spectroscopy

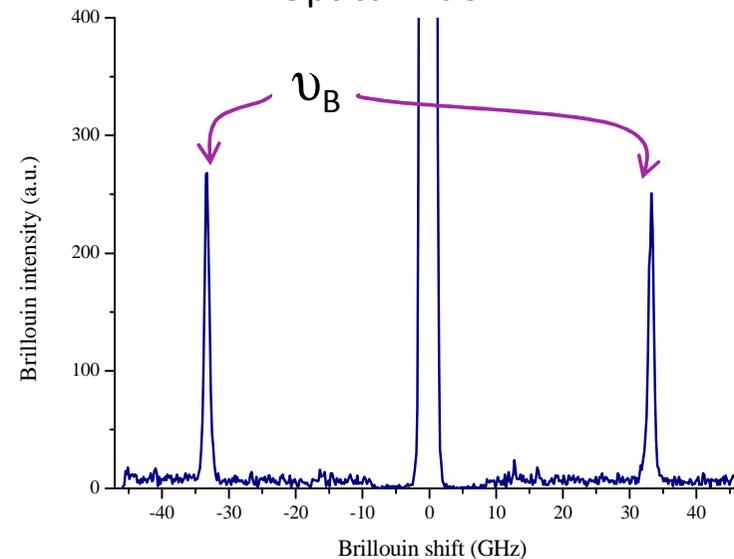
- Optical Modes
- Frequency shift $\nu > 10 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- Structural information at short and medium range order (1-20 Å)



Brillouin spectroscopy

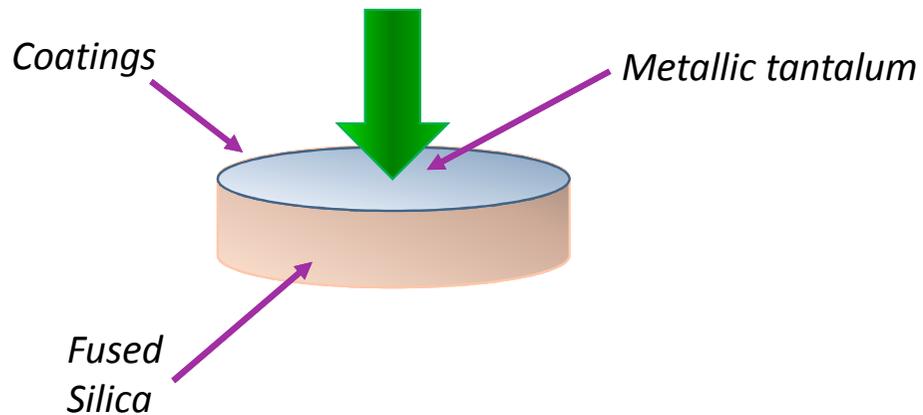
- Acoustic Modes
- Frequency shift $\nu \approx 1 \text{ cm}^{-1}$
- Continuous media
- Macroscopic properties :
 - Sound velocity V_L
 - Elastic moduli
 - Density d
 - Optical index n

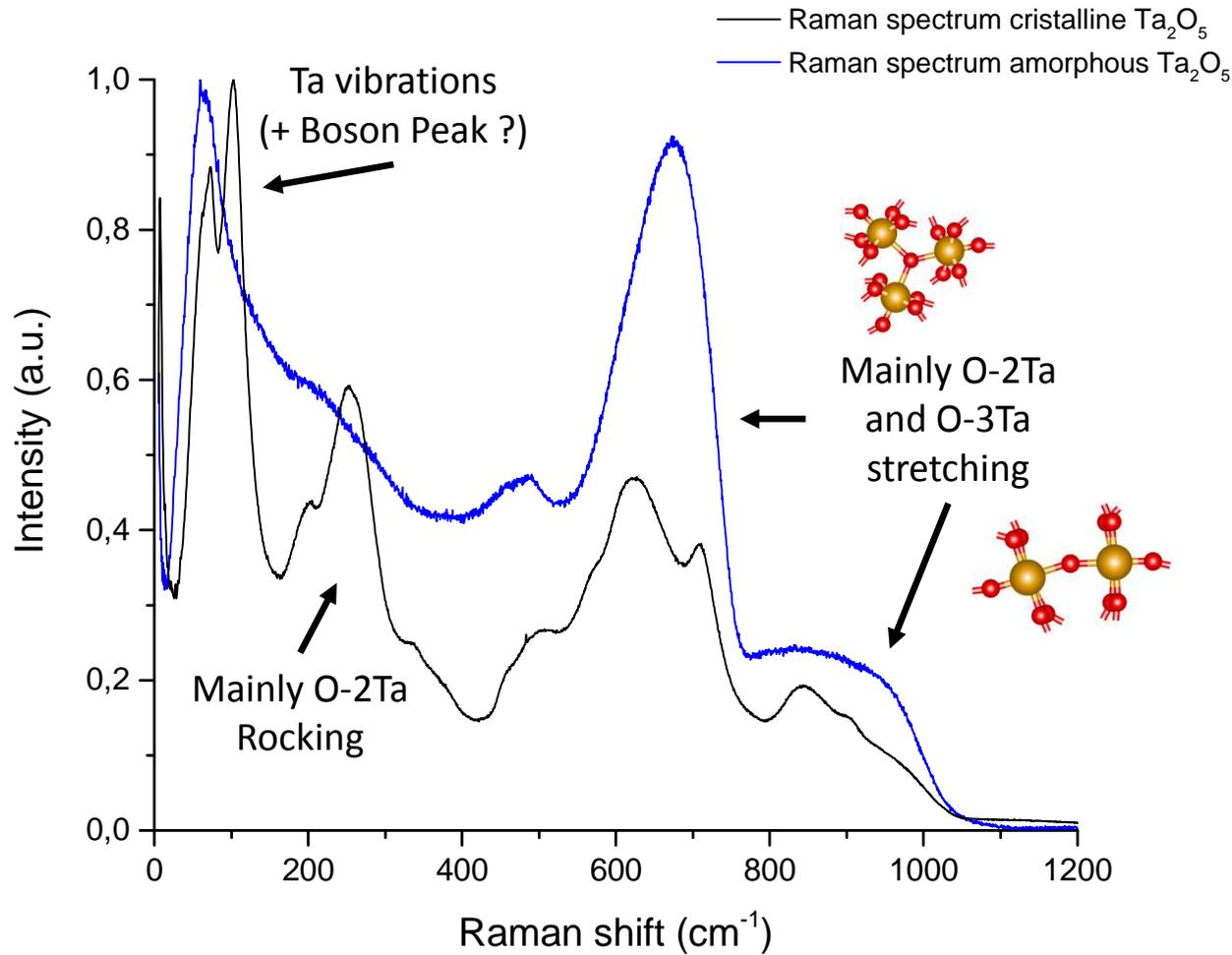
$$V_L = \frac{\lambda_0 \nu_B}{2n}$$



Both give information on the structural evolution f(Temperature, Pressure)

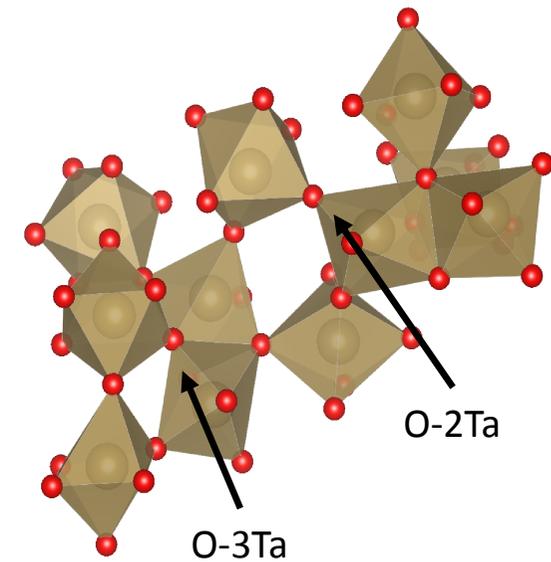
- Monolayers of SiO_2 or Ta_2O_5 around 1 and 3 μm thick
- Deposited by Ion Beam Sputtering at the LMA in Lyon
- Mechanical losses and vibrational spectra measured on the same layers





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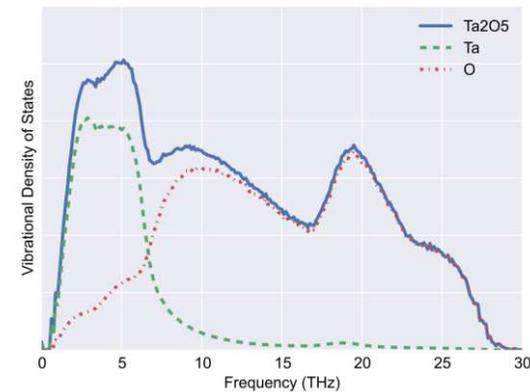
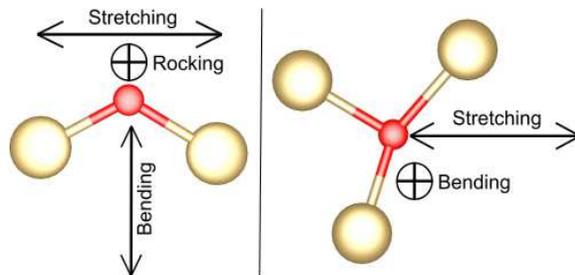
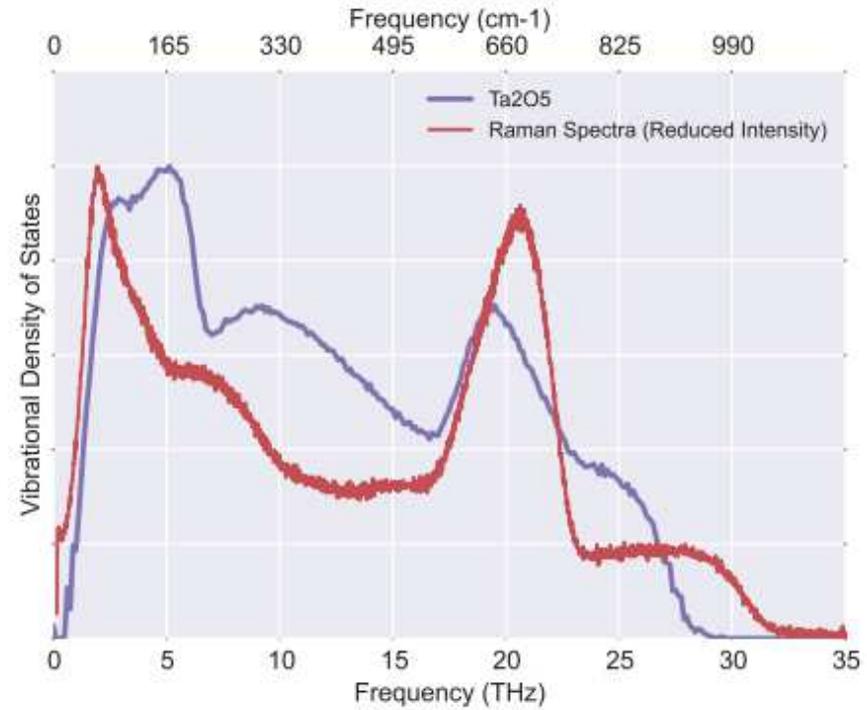
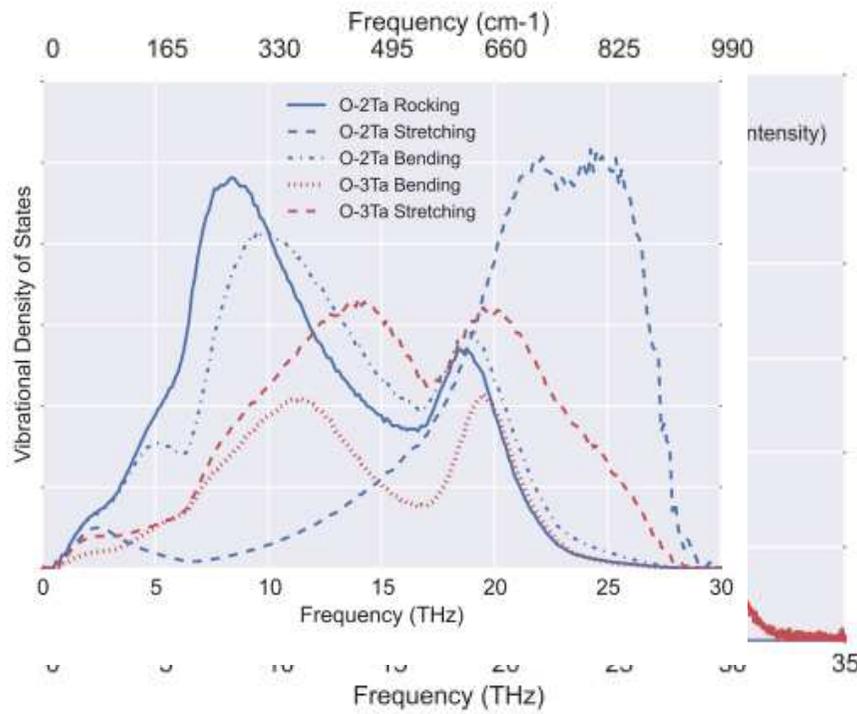
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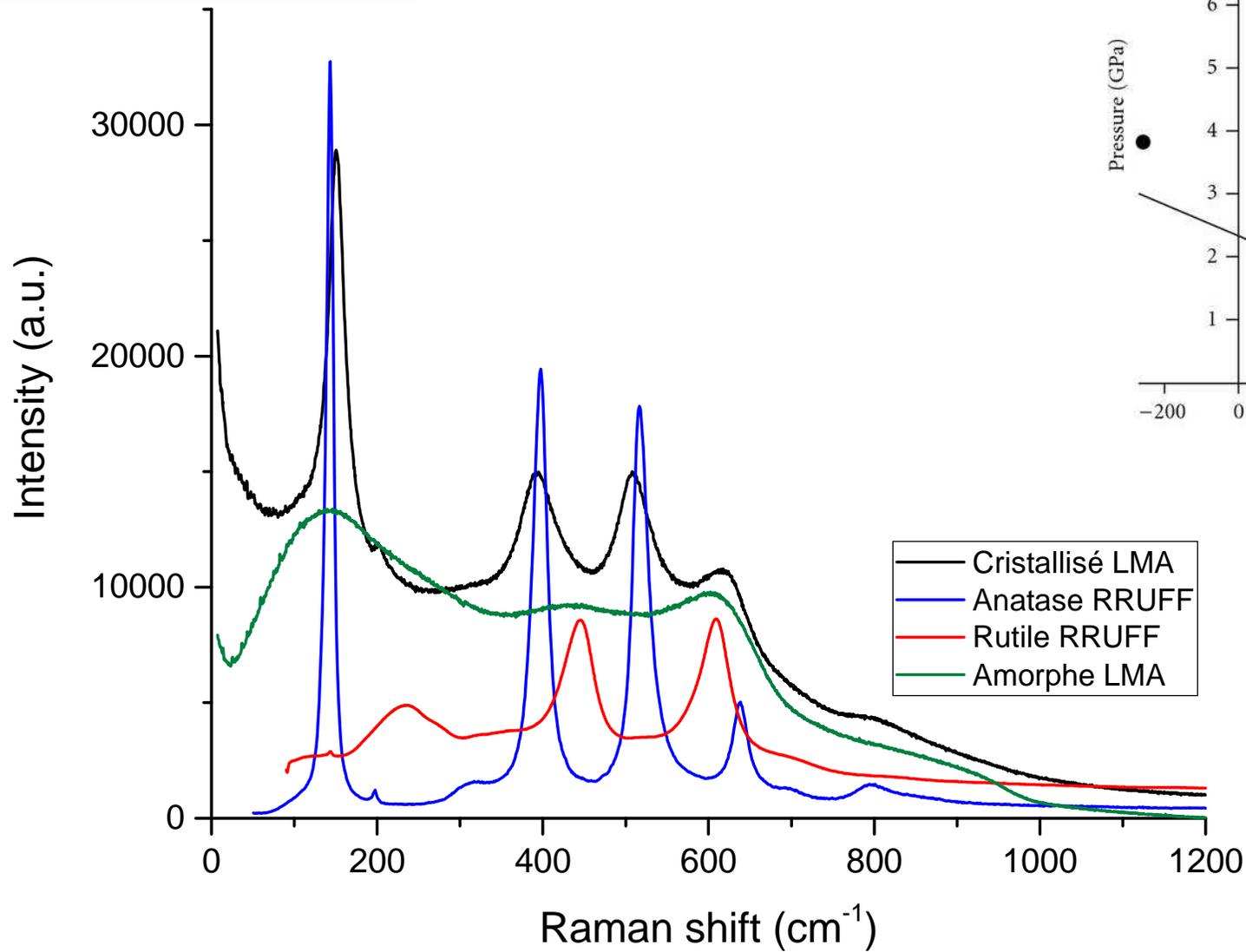


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Cristalline layers TiO₂ => Anatase

- Coordination Anatase :
- Ti 6 (octahedra)
 - O 3 (trigonal planar)