

# REGOX® Graphene P980

## REDUCED GRAPHENE OXIDE PREPARATION METHOD

**LayerOne Partially Reduced Graphene Oxide (rGO) 80% C**  
 is prepared by thermal reduction (flashing) of GO powder.

## PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Materials property	Analytical method	Value / test result
Appearance (form)	-	Powder
Appearance (color)	-	Black
Reduced Graphene Oxide	Gravimetric	> 99 %
Water	Gravimetric	0-1 %
HCl	Estimated	< 1 %
Bulk density	Weighing	0.007 - 0.013 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
pH	pH-meter	About 3 when suspension in water diluted to 0.1 wt %
Smell	-	Faint HCl
rGO-layers in sheet-stacks	SEM and BET	Average 6 layers
Zeta potential in dispersion	Zetapotentiometer	n/a
Dispersibility	Sedimentation test	Cannot be truly dispersed in any medium. See instructions on last page.

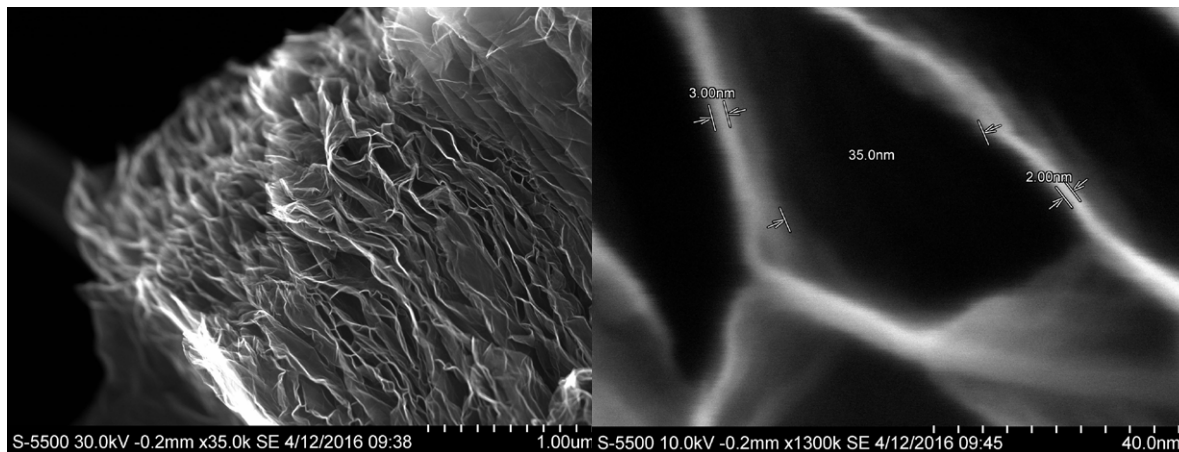
## COMPOSITION AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Materials property	Analytical method	Value / test result
Primary sheet thickness	XRD - Braggs equation	0.3 - 0.4 nm
Crystallinity	XRD - Peak intensity	Broad peak around 24 deg 2θ
Crystalline phase	XRD - EVA	>99 % Reduced Graphene Oxide
Primary sheet aspect ratio	AFM - visual	See figure below
Crystallinity	TEM	See figure below
BET surface area	BET measurement	250 m <sup>2</sup> / g
Chemical composition (at %) Carbon	XPS	>80%, typical 83-86
Oxygen	XPS	12-14 %
Sulfur	XPS	< 0.5%, typically 0.2 %
Nitrogen	XPS	Not detected
Chlorine	XPS	<0.5%, typically 0.3%
Metals	XPS	Not detected
C/O ratio (atomic ratio)	XPS	6 - 8

## BACKGROUND DATA

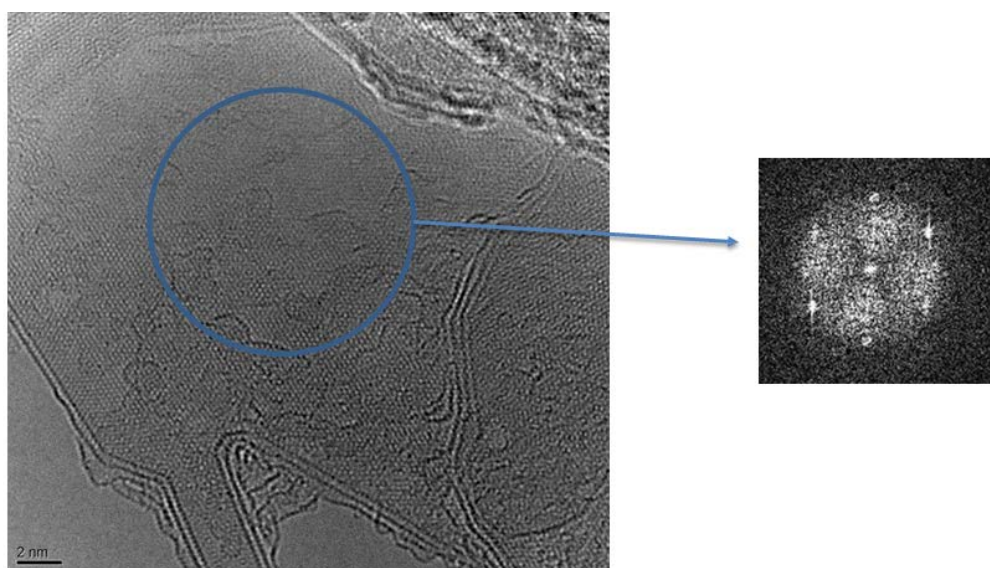
LayerOne reduced Graphene Oxide (rGO) is produced by thermal reduction of graphene oxide. The product has been extensive analyzed, comprising SEM, XRD, IR, Raman, XPS, AFM, TEM, TGA, and BET. For most analyses, data can be provided upon request.

#### SCANNING ELECTRON MICROSCOPY (SEM)



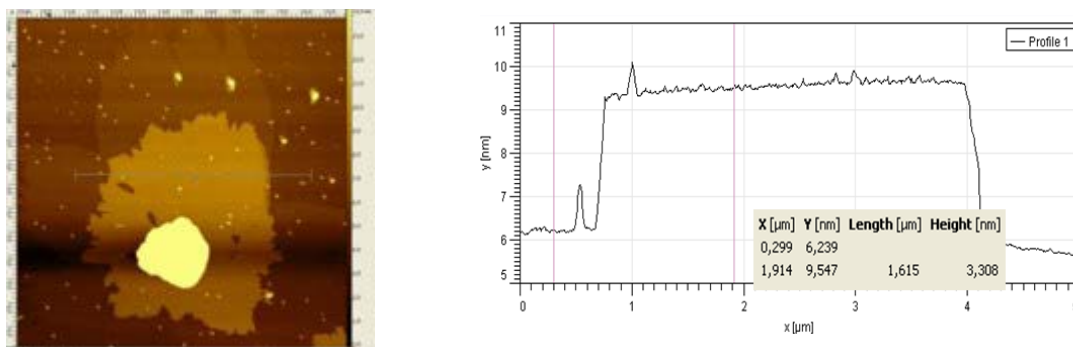
High resolution SEM of rGO powder: Left: The layered structure of rGO is clearly observable for rGO particle. Right: Individual sheets.

#### TRANSMISSION ELECTRON MICROSCOPY (TEM) AND ELECTRON DIFFRACTION



High-resolution TEM image of rGO and selected area electron diffraction pattern (SAED)

#### ATOMIC FORCE MICROSCOPY (AFM)



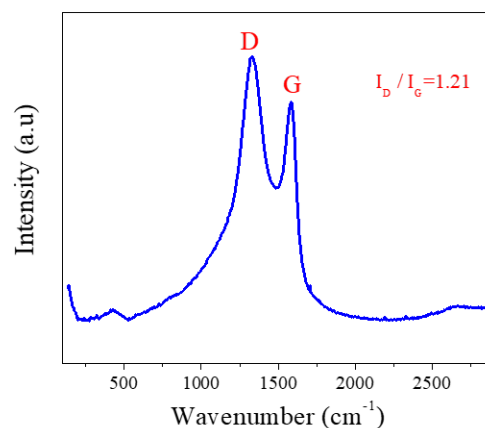
Dried rGO dispersed on a mica substrate. Shows sheet about 3 nm thick. This image is not necessarily representative, since rGO is not suitable for AFM.

#### RAMAN SPECTROSCOPY

Raman spectra were obtained with laser wavelengths of 532 nm and 390 nm and a spot size of 2  $\mu\text{m}$ . The Si peak at  $520\text{ cm}^{-1}$  was used as a reference to calibrate the wave number.

The peaks at  $\sim 1350\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (D band) and  $\sim 1585\text{ cm}^{-1}$  (G band) that are commonly seen in the Raman spectra of carbonaceous materials are clearly evident. The ratio of intensity of D/G bands is a measure of the defects present on graphene structure.

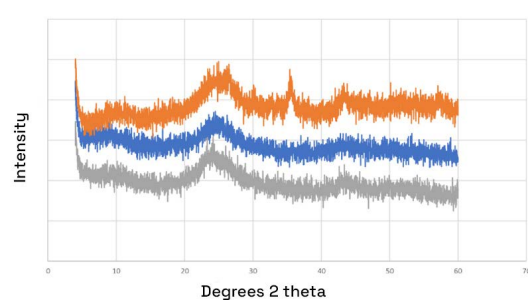
The ratio of the intensity of the D band to the G band ( $I_D/I_G$ ) is calculated to be (i.e.,  $\sim 1.21$ ) for our rGO presenting low regime defect density.



#### X-RAY DIFFRACTOMETRY (XRD)

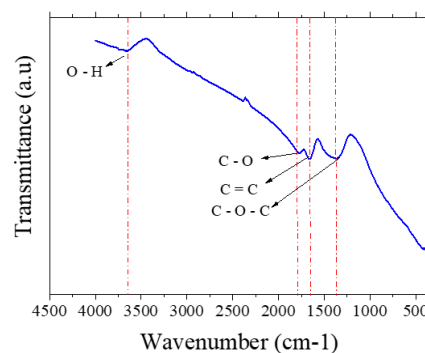
X-ray diffractometry using CuK $\alpha$  radiation (angular interval  $4 - 60^\circ 2\theta$ , and count time 4 s per step) was performed on rGO powder, runs on 3 typical samples shown.

The broad peak at around  $26^\circ$   $2\theta$  corresponds to the typical (002) diffraction peak of rGO. The spacing between the RGO sheets is calculated around  $0.35\text{ nm}$ . Occasionally we observe impurities at around  $28^\circ$  and  $35^\circ$  degrees, assigned to silicates originating from the graphite used to produce the rGO. These impurities can be seen as white spots and amount to less than  $0.5\%$  by weight.



#### INFRARED SPECTROSCOPY

Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy was recorded with an Agilent 660 FTIR spectrometer. The FTIR samples were prepared by dispersing the materials in KBr. The functional groups detected by FTIR are listed in the Spectrum.



## Instructions for safe use

### Safety

- Read MSDS carefully before handling of product.
- The product is only for laboratory use by certified personnel.
- Use laboratory gloves. Use dust-mask.
- The powder is extremely light and will easily blow out of any container if exposed to draft, sneezing or the like.

### Dispersion in liquid

True, stable dispersions cannot be prepared easily unless dispersing agents can be tolerated. Extended use of high shear and / or ultrasound is recommended. Semi-stable dispersions can be obtained in e.g. water/iso-propanol-mixtures. In oils and melted waxes fairly stable dispersions can be prepared by intense stirring.

### Dispersion melted polymers

Can be added to melts but if automated feeder is used, we recommend using products 2.2 or 2.3. We recommend storing in cool and dry place.

### Further reduction to fully reduced rGO

Thermal: Heat at 1100 deg C in flowing Ar-atmosphere for > 2 h.

### Storage

Store in closed container. Shelf life is still not known. To our knowledge, the material does not degrade over time.

**LayerOne takes no responsibility for the result of any mixing with or exposure to other substances!**