

# EFFECT OF SI DOPING ON THE PHOTOCATALYTIC ACTIVITY AND PHOTOELECTROCHEMICAL PROPERTY OF TiO<sub>2</sub> NANOPARTICLES

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## TÓM TẮT:

Si-doped TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles with anatase crystalline phase were prepared by a hydrothermal method using acetic acid as the solvent. Photoelectrochemical studies showed that the photocurrent value for the 15% Si-doped TiO<sub>2</sub> electrode (54.4  $\mu$ A) was much higher than that of the pure TiO<sub>2</sub> electrode (16.7  $\mu$ A). In addition, the 15% Si-doped TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles displayed the highest photocatalytic activity under ultraviolet light irradiation. So doping suitable amount of Si in TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles was profitable for transferring photogenerated electrons and inhibiting the recombination of photogenerated electrons and holes. As a result, the photocatalytic activity of TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles was improved.