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## DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

**COURSE NAME: 19CHB101- CHEMISTRY FOR ENGINEERS** 

I YEAR / I SEMESTER

**UNIT: 2. NANOCHEMISTRY** 

TOPIC: 2. SOL GEL METHOD







- Bottom up method
- Extended composition range
- Better homogeneity
- Less energy consumption
- Economical method



Sol

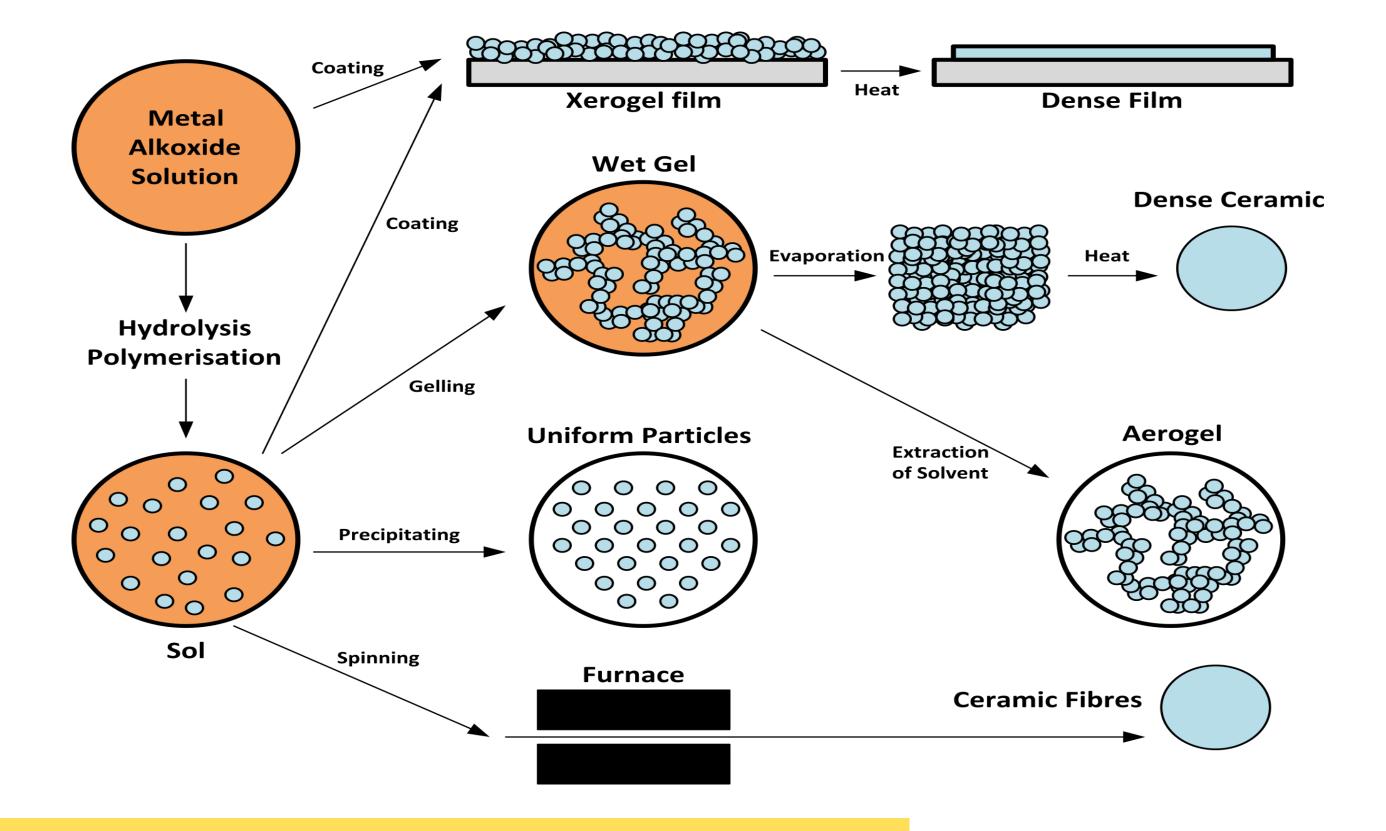


Gel



## SCHEMATIC REPRESENTATION OF PROCESS



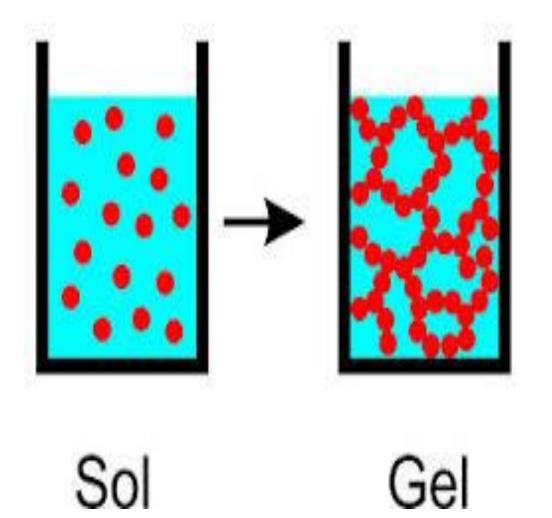




### **PROCESS**



- Sol-gel is a chemical solution process used to make ceramic and glass materials in the form of thin films, fibers or powders.
- A sol is (a colloidal or molecular suspension) obtained from (starting materials).
- A gel is a semi-rigid mass that forms when the solvent from the sol begins to evaporate and the particles or ions left behind begin to join together in a continuous network

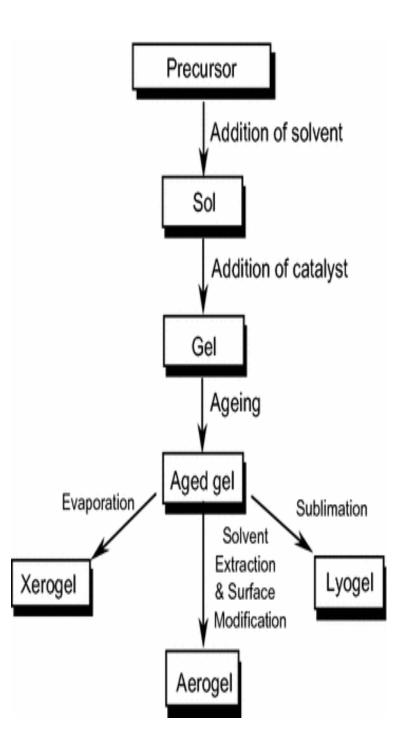








- The sol-gel process is a wet-chemical technique that uses either a chemical solution (sol short for solution) or colloidal particles (sol for nanoscale particle) to produce an integrated network (gel).
- Metal alkoxides and metal chlorides are typical precursors. They undergo hydrolysis and polycondensation reactions to form a colloid, a system composed of nanoparticles dispersed in a solvent. The sol evolves then towards the formation of an inorganic continuous network containing a liquid phase (gel)





## **PROCESS**



- Formation of a metal oxide involves connecting the metal centers with oxo (M-O-M) or hydroxo (M-OH-M) bridges, therefore generating **metal-oxo or metal-hydroxo polymers** in solution.
- After a drying process, the liquid phase is removed from the gel. Then, a thermal treatment (calcination) may be performed in order to favor further poly condensation and enhance mechanical properties







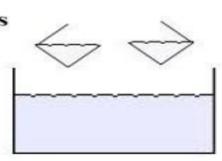








#### Mix reactives

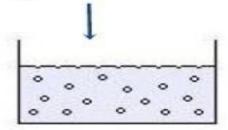


#### Hydrolysis

$$Si - OR + HOH \longrightarrow Si - OH + ROH$$

### Hydrolysis and Condesation reactions take place





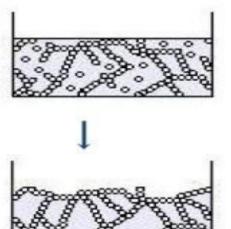
#### Condensation

$$Si - OH + HO - Si - O - Si + H2O$$

$$Si - OR + HO - Si \longrightarrow Si - O - Si + ROH$$

#### Gelification

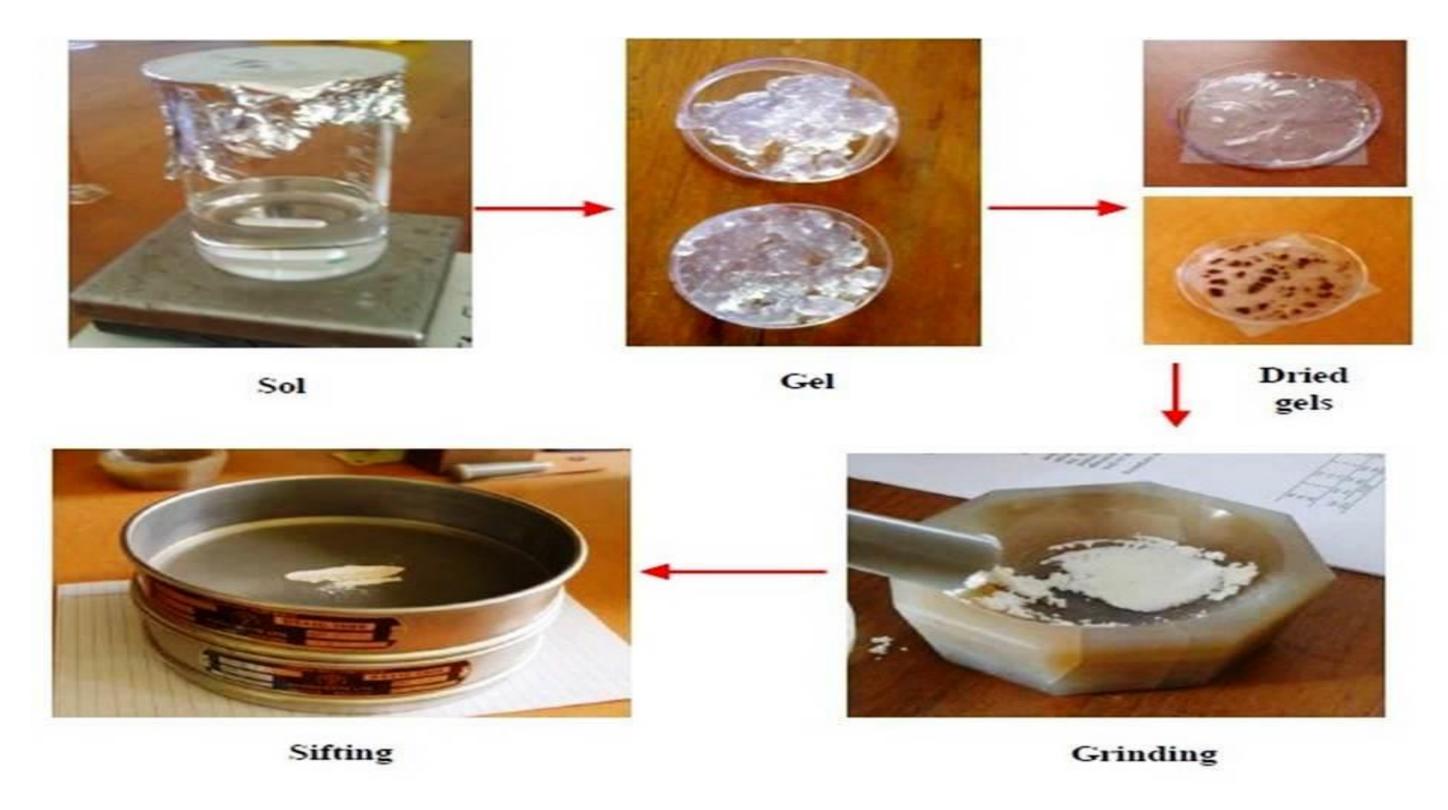






## PICTORIAL REPRESENTATION OF PROCESS

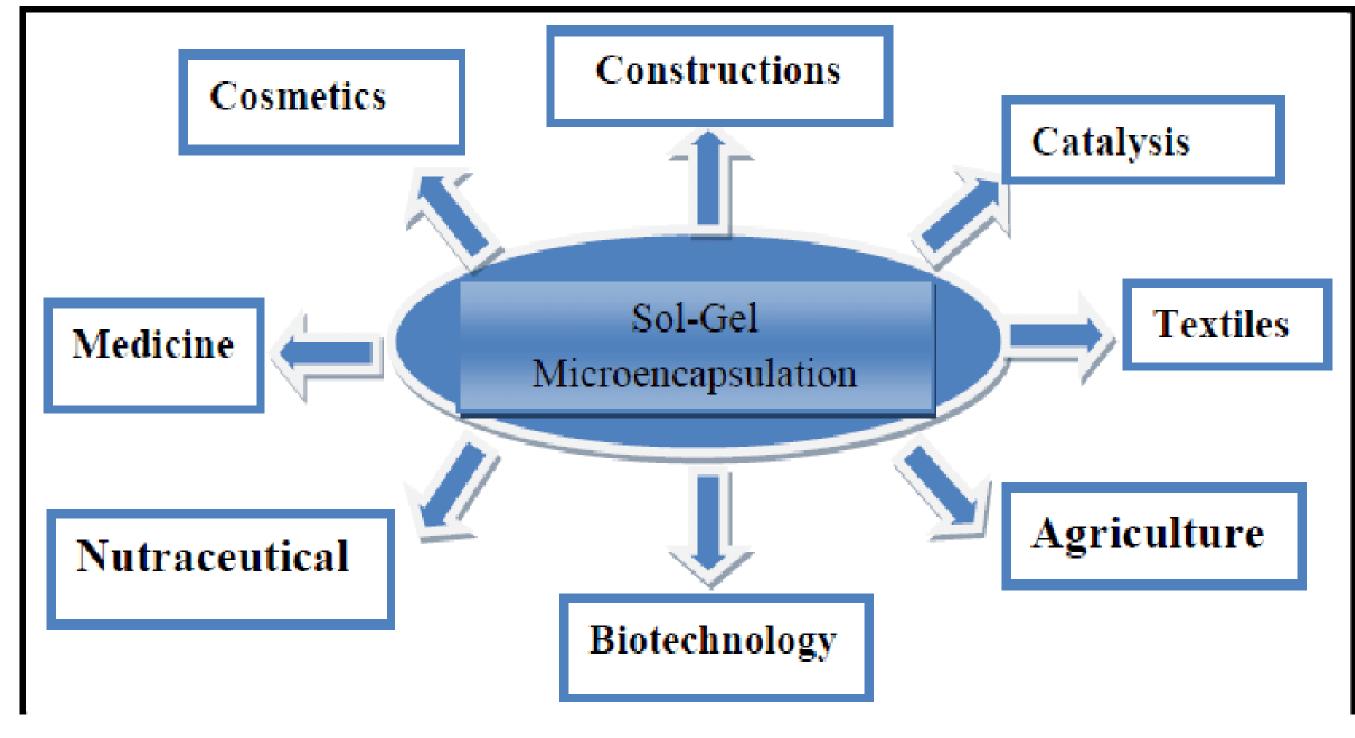






## APPLICATIONS OF SOL GEL METHOD







## **ASSESSMENT**



1. List out the various stages of gel formation

2. List out any two nanoparticles prepared by sol gel method





# **SUMMARY**



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