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## Preparation of Silver Bromide Nanoparticles by Mechanical Activation of the System NaBr – AgNO<sub>3</sub> – NaNO<sub>3</sub>

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In this study, silver bromide nanoparticles have been synthesized using a mechanical activation (MA) though replacement reaction NaBr + AgNO<sub>3</sub> + z\* NaNO<sub>3</sub> (z\*+1) NaNO<sub>3</sub> + AgBr [1]. The MA experiment was conducted for 28 minutes in laboratory planetary mill (Activator 2SL, Russia) at 420 rpm. Calculation of dilution parameter z\* has been shown elsewhere [1]. Silver bromide nanoparticles prepared through MA reaction sodium bromide and silver nitrate were characterized by X-ray diffraction analysis, electron microscopy and dynamic light scattering methods

The experiments and XRD analysis along with TEM examination revealed formation of silver bromide through solid-state chemical reaction by means of mechanochemical processing. Calculated dilution parameter  $z^*$  for studied MA reaction were at  $z_1 = 8.058$ ,  $z_2 =$ 4.311, and for these values the MA reaction proceeded completely with formation of AgBr nanoparticles. The crystallite size (L) of AgBr and phase composition estimated from XRD (D8 ADVANCE): at  $z^* = z_1$  (L = 70 nm, NaNO<sub>3</sub> -82%, AgBr-18%); at  $z^* = z_2$  (L = 73 nm, NaNO<sub>3</sub> -73%, and AgBr-27 %).

Dynamic light scattering (DLS) of MA products showed that the distribution of AgBr nanoparticles in the vicinity of 100 nm at  $z^* = z_1$  and 160 nm at  $z^* = z_2$ , which was confirmed by the data of transmission electron microscopy (TEM, JEM-1011). The TEM image (see Figure 1) suggests formation of silver bromide particles with various size distribution lie in the range from 10 nm to 200 nm.

Furthermore, the features of a diluent decomposition into sodium oxide and thermal parameters such as dissociation-sublimation of synthesized AgBr were recorded by thermal analysis (TG/DTA, NETZSCH 449F3A-0372-M). AgBr nanoparticles were isolated in their free form by washing with distilled water from the matrix.

[1] B. Tatykaev, M. Burkitbayev, B. Uralbekov, F. Urakaev, Acta Physica Polonica A 163. (2014) 1044-1048.



Fig. 1. TEM image at  $z^* = z_1$  and DLS size distribution ( $z^* = z_1$ ,  $z^* = z_2$ ) of the AgBr nanoparticles

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