

Transformation of the Uranyl Peroxide Studtite, $[(\text{UO}_2)(\text{O}_2)(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2](\text{H}_2\text{O})_2$, to Soluble Nanoscale Cage Clusters

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Supporting Information

Table S1. Molar ratios of initial reactants and concentration of dissolved uranium in solution normalized to 1 mole initial studtite, average pH of reaction solution, and presence of nanoclusters.

Reaction	Initial Studtite (mol)	Initial H ₂ O ₂ (mol)	OOH-Fraction (mol)	TEAOH (mol)	Studtite dissolved (mol)	Average pH	Clusters
pH_H2O_Blank	1	0	0	0	0.00 ± 0.00	4.57 ± 0.41	No
pH_H2O_7	1	0	0	0.01 ± 0.00	0.00 ± 0.00	7.00 ± 0.05	No
pH_H2O_8	1	0	0	0.01 ± 0.00	0.00 ± 0.00	8.04 ± 0.07	No
pH_H2O_9	1	0	0	0.03 ± 0.00	0.00 ± 0.00	8.95 ± 0.02	No
pH_H2O_10	1	0	0	0.07 ± 0.03	0.00 ± 0.00	9.98 ± 0.04	No
pH_H2O_11	1	0	0	0.11 ± 0.02	0.00 ± 0.00	10.95 ± 0.01	No
pH_001_Blank	1	0.2	0.00 ± 0.00	0	0.00 ± 0.00	4.03 ± 0.18	No
pH_001_7	1	0.2	0.00 ± 0.00	0.01 ± 0.00	0.00 ± 0.00	6.99 ± 0.10	No
pH_001_8	1	0.2	0.00 ± 0.00	0.02 ± 0.01	0.00 ± 0.00	7.97 ± 0.05	No
pH_001_9	1	0.2	0.00 ± 0.00	0.04 ± 0.01	0.00 ± 0.00	8.99 ± 0.04	No
pH_001_10	1	0.2	0.00 ± 0.00	0.07 ± 0.03	0.00 ± 0.00	9.95 ± 0.04	No
pH_001_11	1	0.2	0.04 ± 0.00	0.16 ± 0.03	0.08 ± 0.03	10.94 ± 0.05	U28
pH_0035_Blank	1	0.7	0.00 ± 0.00	0	0.00 ± 0.00	4.03 ± 0.17	No
pH_0035_7	1	0.7	0.00 ± 0.00	0.01 ± 0.00	0.00 ± 0.00	7.00 ± 0.03	No
pH_0035_8	1	0.7	0.00 ± 0.00	0.02 ± 0.00	0.00 ± 0.00	8.10 ± 0.12	No
pH_0035_9	1	0.7	0.00 ± 0.00	0.05 ± 0.00	0.00 ± 0.00	8.98 ± 0.03	No
pH_0035_10	1	0.7	0.02 ± 0.00	0.06 ± 0.02	0.00 ± 0.00	9.98 ± 0.03	No
pH_0035_11	1	0.7	0.13 ± 0.01	0.30 ± 0.07	0.25 ± 0.02	10.89 ± 0.05	U28
pH_010_Blank	1	2	0.00 ± 0.00	0	0.00 ± 0.00	4.03 ± 0.14	No
pH_010_7	1	2	0.00 ± 0.00	0.01 ± 0.00	0.00 ± 0.00	7.03 ± 0.05	No
pH_010_8	1	2	0.00 ± 0.00	0.02 ± 0.00	0.00 ± 0.00	8.00 ± 0.03	No
pH_010_9	1	2	0.00 ± 0.00	0.05 ± 0.01	0.00 ± 0.00	8.96 ± 0.01	No
pH_010_10	1	2	0.04 ± 0.00	0.06 ± 0.03	0.00 ± 0.00	9.97 ± 0.03	No
pH_010_11	1	2	0.39 ± 0.01	1.00 ± 0.06	0.64 ± 0.01	10.92 ± 0.02	U28
pH_050_Blank	1	10	0.00 ± 0.00	0	0.00 ± 0.00	3.90 ± 0.14	No
pH_050_7	1	10	0.00 ± 0.00	0.01 ± 0.00	0.00 ± 0.00	7.01 ± 0.06	No
pH_050_8	1	10	0.00 ± 0.00	0.03 ± 0.00	0.00 ± 0.00	7.97 ± 0.01	No
pH_050_9	1	10	0.02 ± 0.00	0.08 ± 0.01	0.00 ± 0.00	8.93 ± 0.02	No
pH_050_10	1	10	0.22 ± 0.00	0.40 ± 0.04	0.17 ± 0.07	9.96 ± 0.01	U28
pH_050_11	1	10	2.51 ± 0.37	1.83 ± 0.15	0.99 ± 0.05	11.02 ± 0.06	U28
pH_100_Blank	1	20	0.00 ± 0.00	0	0.00 ± 0.00	3.83 ± 0.19	No
pH_100_7	1	20	0.00 ± 0.00	0.01 ± 0.00	0.00 ± 0.00	7.05 ± 0.04	No
pH_100_8	1	20	0.00 ± 0.00	0.03 ± 0.01	0.00 ± 0.00	7.94 ± 0.02	No
pH_100_9	1	20	0.04 ± 0.00	0.08 ± 0.02	0.00 ± 0.00	8.97 ± 0.05	No
pH_100_10	1	20	0.47 ± 0.06	0.78 ± 0.14	0.42 ± 0.01	9.99 ± 0.05	U28
pH_100_11	1	20	6.45 ± 0.66	2.23 ± 0.25	1.02 ± 0.04	11.13 ± 0.05	U28

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moles_H2O_Blank	1	0	0	0	0.00 ± 0.00	4.57 ± 0.42	No
moles_H2O_0.02	1	0	0	0.02 ± 0.01	0.00 ± 0.00	8.20 ± 1.02	No
moles_H2O_0.1	1	0	0	0.10 ± 0.02	0.00 ± 0.00	10.56 ± 0.54	No
moles_H2O_0.5	1	0	0	0.51 ± 0.00	0.05 ± 0.01	12.05 ± 0.30	U24
moles_H2O_1	1	0	0	1.02 ± 0.01	0.24 ± 0.03	12.08 ± 0.24	U24
moles_H2O_2	1	0	0	2.01 ± 0.01	0.79 ± 0.04	12.69 ± 0.25	U24
moles_H2O_3	1	0	0	3.05 ± 0.02	1.04 ± 0.01	13.01 ± 0.11	U24
moles_H2O_4	1	0	0	4.07 ± 0.06	1.08 ± 0.07	13.11 ± 0.14	U24
moles_H2O_5	1	0	0	5.04 ± 0.06	1.09 ± 0.03	13.13 ± 0.14	U24
moles_001_0	1	0.2	0.00 ± 0.00	0	0.00 ± 0.00	4.03 ± 0.18	No
moles_001_0.03	1	0.2	0.00 ± 0.00	0.03 ± 0.03	0.00 ± 0.00	8.48 ± 1.16	No
moles_001_0.2	1	0.2	0.04 ± 0.00	0.16 ± 0.03	0.08 ± 0.03	10.95 ± 0.05	U28
moles_001_0.5	1	0.2	0.20 ± 0.00	0.51 ± 0.00	0.23 ± 0.01	11.69 ± 0.24	U28
moles_001_1	1	0.2	0.20 ± 0.00	1.01 ± 0.00	0.43 ± 0.02	12.29 ± 0.25	U28
moles_001_1.5	1	0.2	0.20 ± 0.00	1.49 ± 0.02	0.64 ± 0.07	12.49 ± 0.29	U28
moles_001_2	1	0.2	0.20 ± 0.00	2.03 ± 0.01	0.96 ± 0.00	12.82 ± 0.23	U28
moles_001_2.5	1	0.2	0.20 ± 0.00	2.53 ± 0.00	1.05 ± 0.01	13.11 ± 0.07	U28
moles_0035_0	1	0.7	0.00 ± 0.00	0	0.00 ± 0.00	4.04 ± 0.17	No
moles_0035_0.03	1	0.7	0.00 ± 0.01	0.03 ± 0.02	0.00 ± 0.00	8.52 ± 1.15	No
moles_0035_0.3	1	0.7	0.14 ± 0.01	0.32 ± 0.05	0.25 ± 0.04	10.94 ± 0.03	U28
moles_0035_0.8	1	0.7	0.39 ± 0.35	0.78 ± 0.00	0.38 ± 0.04	11.26 ± 0.37	U28
moles_0035_1	1	0.7	0.29 ± 0.05	1.00 ± 0.00	0.53 ± 0.07	11.25 ± 0.06	U28
moles_0035_1.5	1	0.7	0.70 ± 0.20	1.51 ± 0.01	0.75 ± 0.12	11.64 ± 0.13	U28
moles_0035_2	1	0.7	0.70 ± 0.00	2.03 ± 0.02	0.94 ± 0.12	12.25 ± 0.51	U28
moles_0035_2.5	1	0.7	0.70 ± 0.00	2.52 ± 0.02	1.03 ± 0.07	12.43 ± 0.01	U28
moles_0035_3	1	0.7	0.70 ± 0.00	3.04 ± 0.03	1.07 ± 0.03	12.54 ± 0.21	U28
moles_010_0	1	2	0.00 ± 0.00	0	0.00 ± 0.00	4.03 ± 0.14	No
moles_010_0.03	1	2	0.01 ± 0.02	0.03 ± 0.02	0.00 ± 0.00	8.36 ± 1.09	No
moles_010_0.2	1	2	0.10 ± 0.06	0.20 ± 0.10	0.02 ± 0.02	10.27 ± 0.29	U28
moles_010_0.5	1	2	0.31 ± 0.25	0.51 ± 0.01	0.18 ± 0.12	10.71 ± 0.35	U28
moles_010_1	1	2	0.40 ± 0.01	0.97 ± 0.08	0.67 ± 0.06	10.92 ± 0.01	U28
moles_010_1.5	1	2	0.56 ± 0.51	1.48 ± 0.01	0.65 ± 0.08	10.95 ± 0.39	U28
moles_010_2	1	2	0.53 ± 0.11	2.02 ± 0.01	0.70 ± 0.11	11.04 ± 0.10	U28
moles_010_2.5	1	2	1.27 ± 0.37	2.54 ± 0.01	1.05 ± 0.03	11.41 ± 0.13	U28
moles_010_3	1	2	2.00 ± 0.00	3.03 ± 0.03	1.06 ± 0.03	11.86 ± 0.12	U28
moles_050_0	1	10	0.00 ± 0.00	0	0.00 ± 0.00	3.90 ± 0.14	No
moles_050_0.02	1	10	0.00 ± 0.00	0.02 ± 0.01	0.00 ± 0.00	7.49 ± 0.53	No
moles_050_0.1	1	10	0.02 ± 0.00	0.08 ± 0.01	0.00 ± 0.00	8.94 ± 0.02	No
moles_050_0.3	1	10	0.22 ± 0.01	0.33 ± 0.07	0.13 ± 0.01	9.96 ± 0.03	U28
moles_050_0.8	1	10	0.59 ± 0.41	0.78 ± 0.01	0.30 ± 0.02	10.33 ± 0.29	U28

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moles_050_1.3	1	10	0.59 ± 0.17	1.33 ± 0.13	0.52 ± 0.04	10.38 ± 0.12	U28
moles_050_1.8	1	10	2.51 ± 0.37	1.78 ± 0.16	0.99 ± 0.04	11.22 ± 0.40	U28
moles_050_2.5	1	10	5.22 ± 0.92	2.53 ± 0.04	1.06 ± 0.02	11.34 ± 0.08	U28
moles_100_0	1	20	0.00 ± 0.00	0	0.00 ± 0.00	3.83 ± 0.19	No
moles_100_0.02	1	20	0.00 ± 0.00	0.02 ± 0.01	0.00 ± 0.00	7.50 ± 0.49	No
moles_100_0.1	1	20	0.04 ± 0.00	0.08 ± 0.02	0.00 ± 0.00	8.97 ± 0.05	No
moles_100_0.5	1	20	0.48 ± 0.31	0.51 ± 0.00	0.09 ± 0.04	9.93 ± 0.31	U28
moles_100_0.8	1	20	0.46 ± 0.05	0.80 ± 0.11	0.42 ± 0.01	9.98 ± 0.04	U28
moles_100_1.5	1	20	1.02 ± 0.78	1.56 ± 0.13	0.62 ± 0.05	10.24 ± 0.29	U28
moles_100_2	1	20	4.42 ± 2.75	1.94 ± 0.07	0.99 ± 0.01	11.23 ± 0.57	U28
moles_100_2.4	1	20	6.49 ± 0.93	2.39 ± 0.04	1.04 ± 0.02	11.35 ± 0.39	U28

Figure S1. Time resolved dissolution of studdite in water and 1.0 M H₂O₂ with a TEAOH:U molar ratio of 1.5. Error bars are derived from the standard deviation of triplicate reactions. Solution pH was not adjusted in these reactions after the initial addition of TEAOH at time = 0.

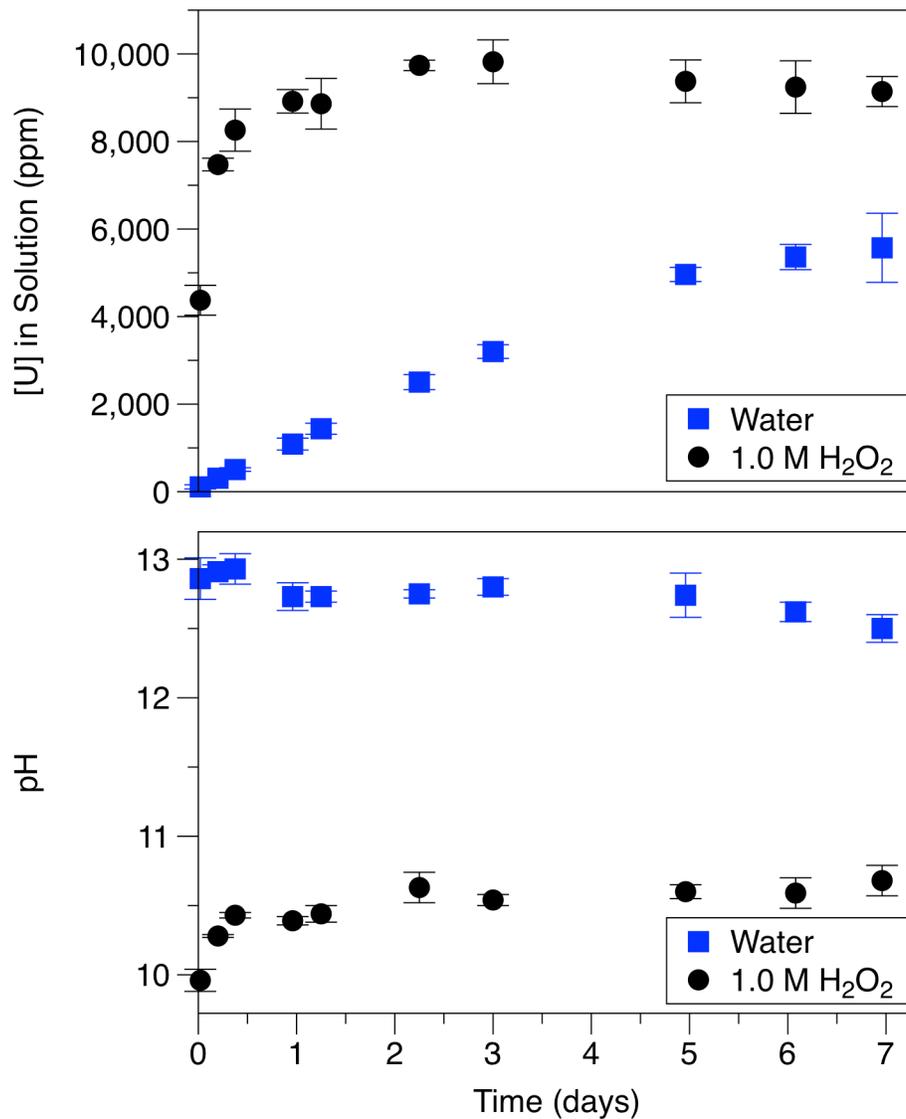


Figure S2. PXRD spectra of synthesized studtite phase matched with PDF # 00-016-0206 Studtite, syn. ($\text{UO}_4 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$)

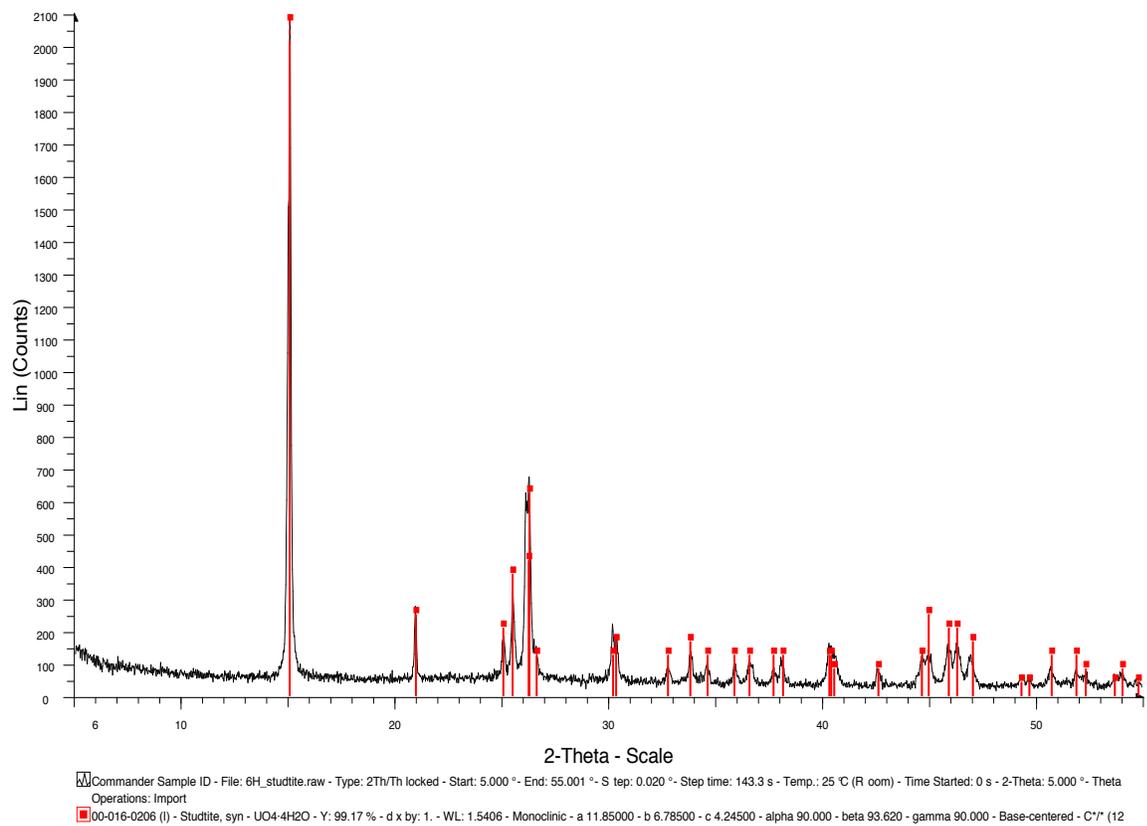


Figure S3. TGA analysis of synthetic studtite. Mass loss calculations indicate 4.3 mol H₂O in starting material, confirming the starting material is studtite.

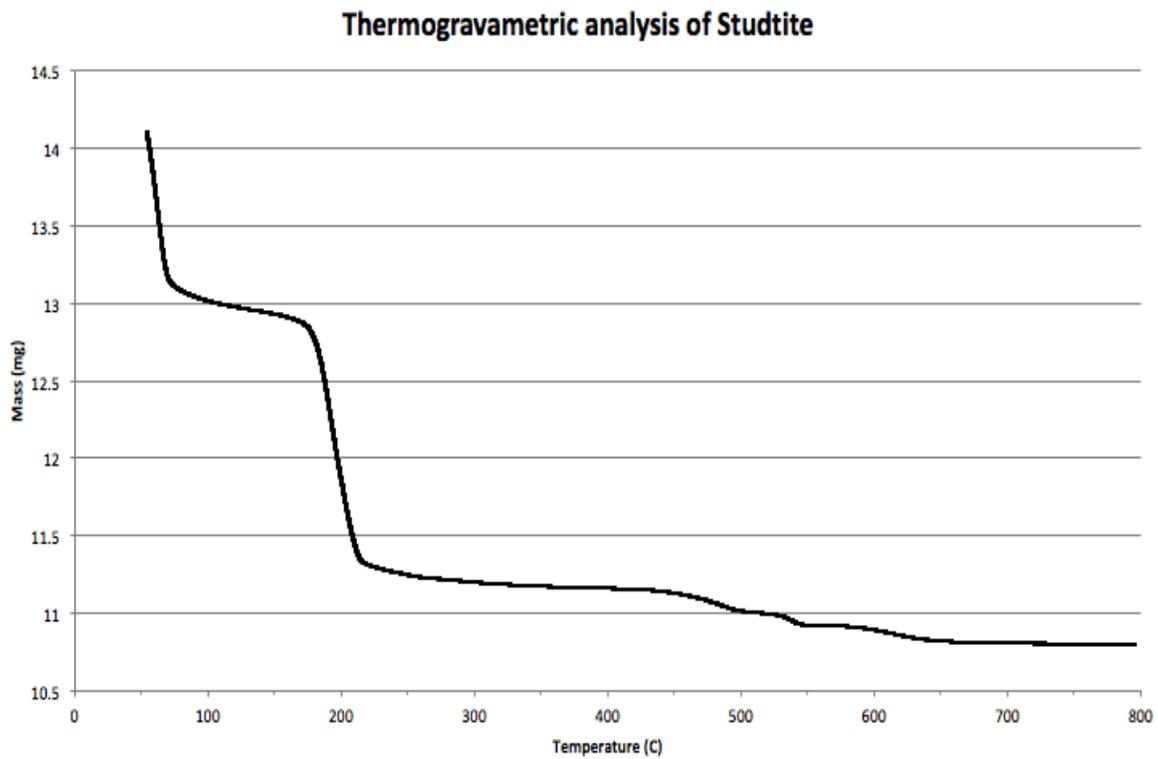


Table S2. ICP-OES analysis of uranium content in synthetic studtite compared to estimated uranium content calculated from molecular mass.

Sample	%w U
Calculated from Molecular Mass	63.63 %
Synthesized Studtite	61.01 ± 1.06 %

Figure S4. PXRD pattern of studtite phase after 7-day reaction with water at varying pH values.

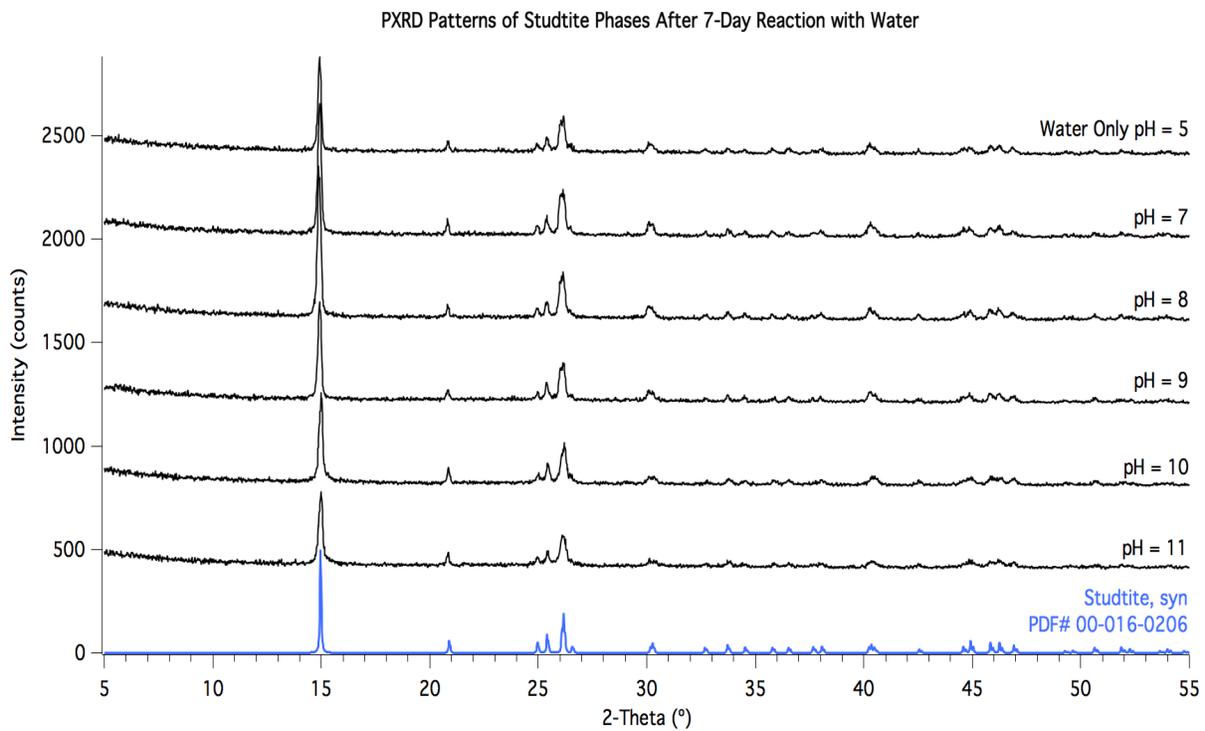


Figure S5. PXRD pattern of studtite phase after 7-day reaction with 0.01M H₂O₂ at varying pH values.

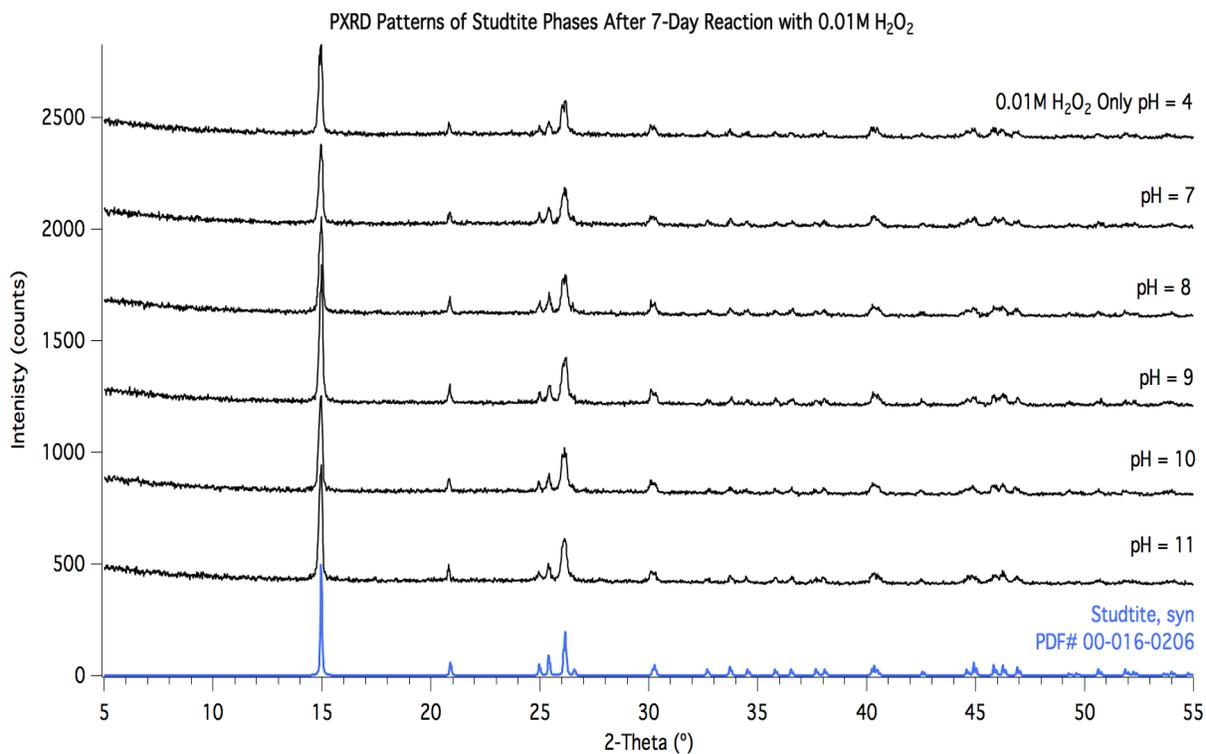


Figure S6. PXRD pattern of studtite phase after 7-day reaction with 0.035M H₂O₂ at varying pH values.

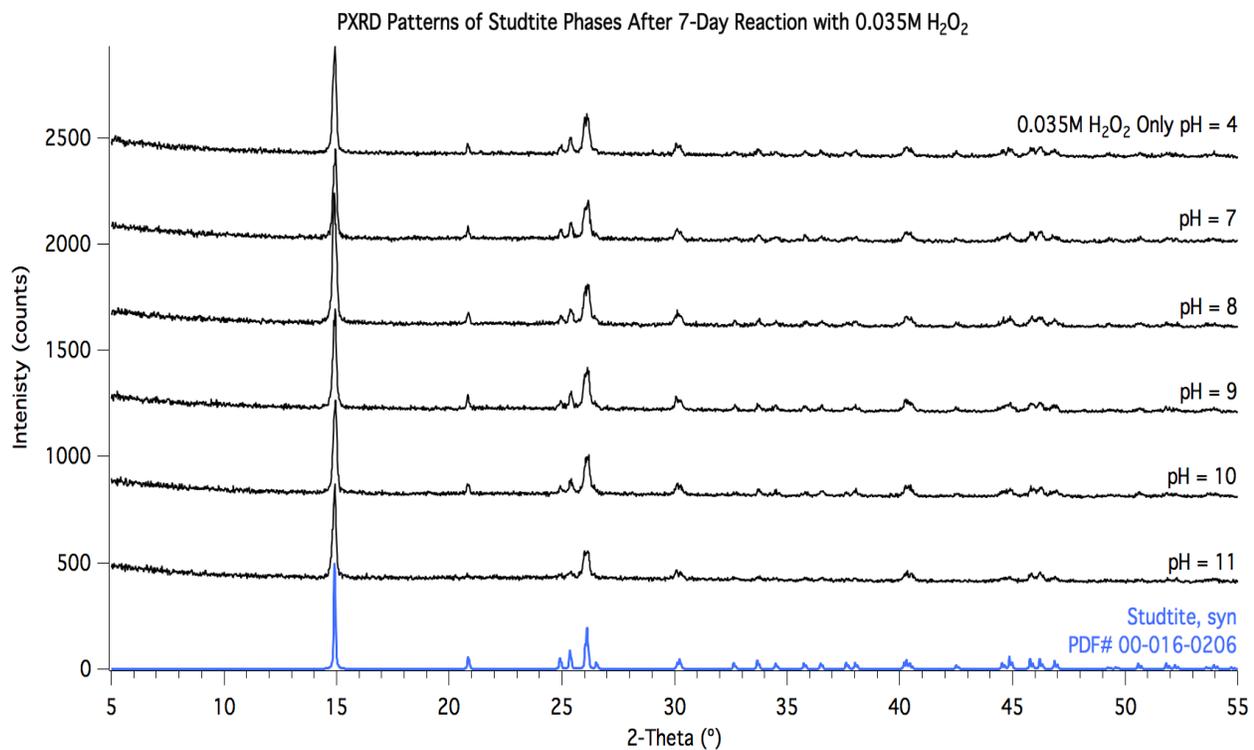


Figure S7. PXRD pattern of studtite phase after 7-day reaction with 0.10M H₂O₂ at varying pH values.

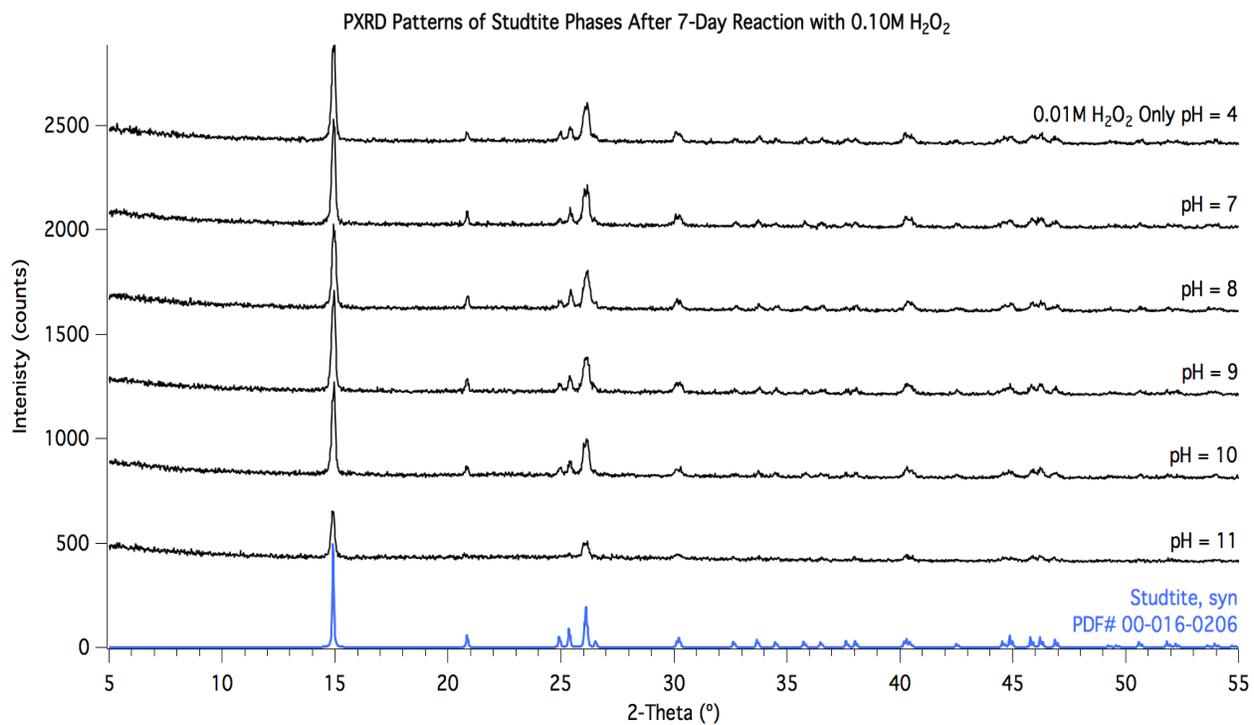


Figure S8. PXRD pattern of studtite phase after 7-day reaction with 0.50M H₂O₂ at varying pH values.

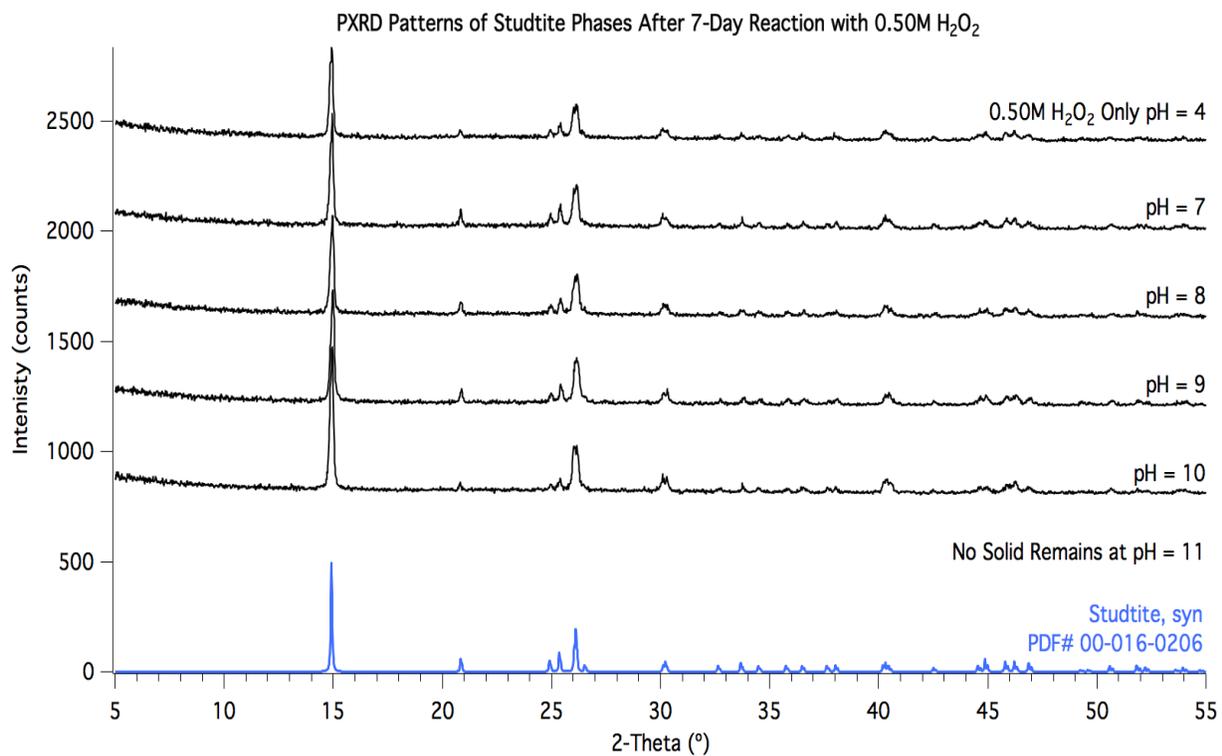


Figure S9. Raman spectra of studtite phase after 7-day reaction with water at varying pH values.

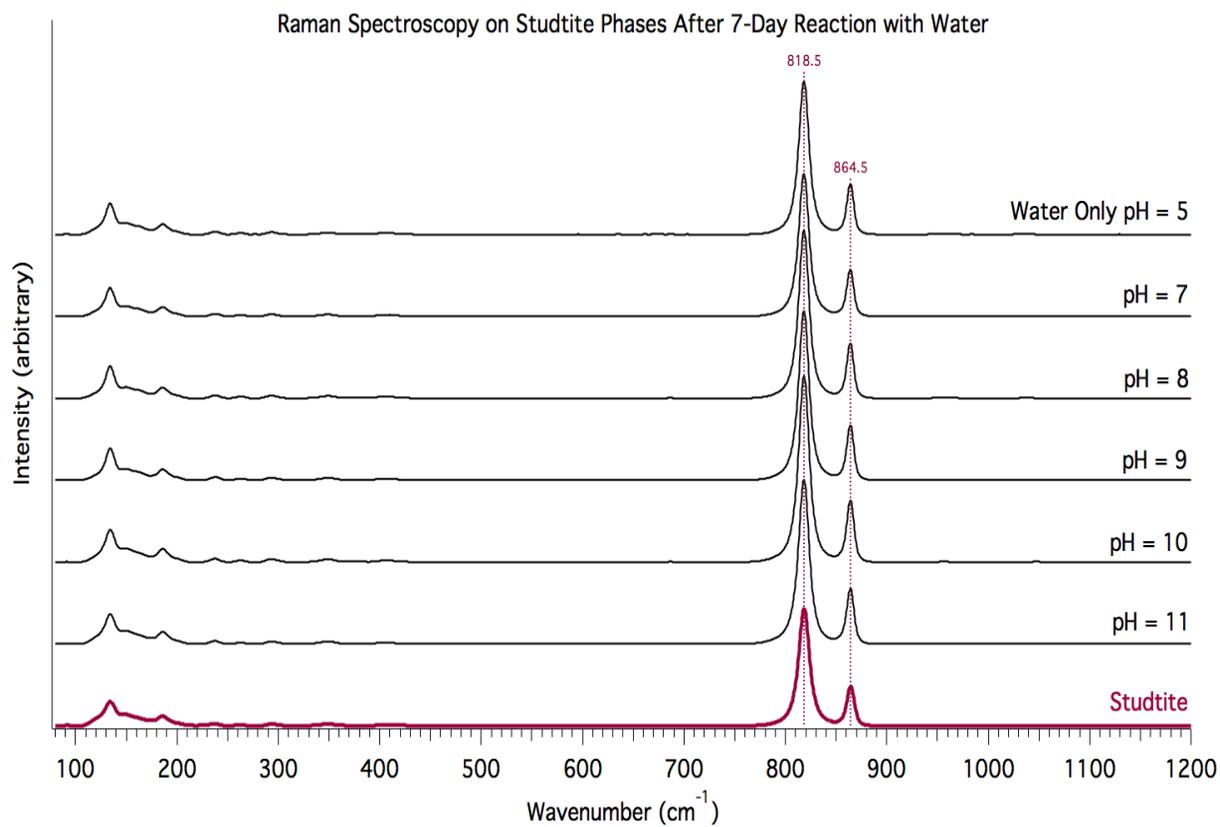


Figure S10. Raman spectra of studtite phase after 7-day reaction with 0.01 M H₂O₂ at varying pH values.

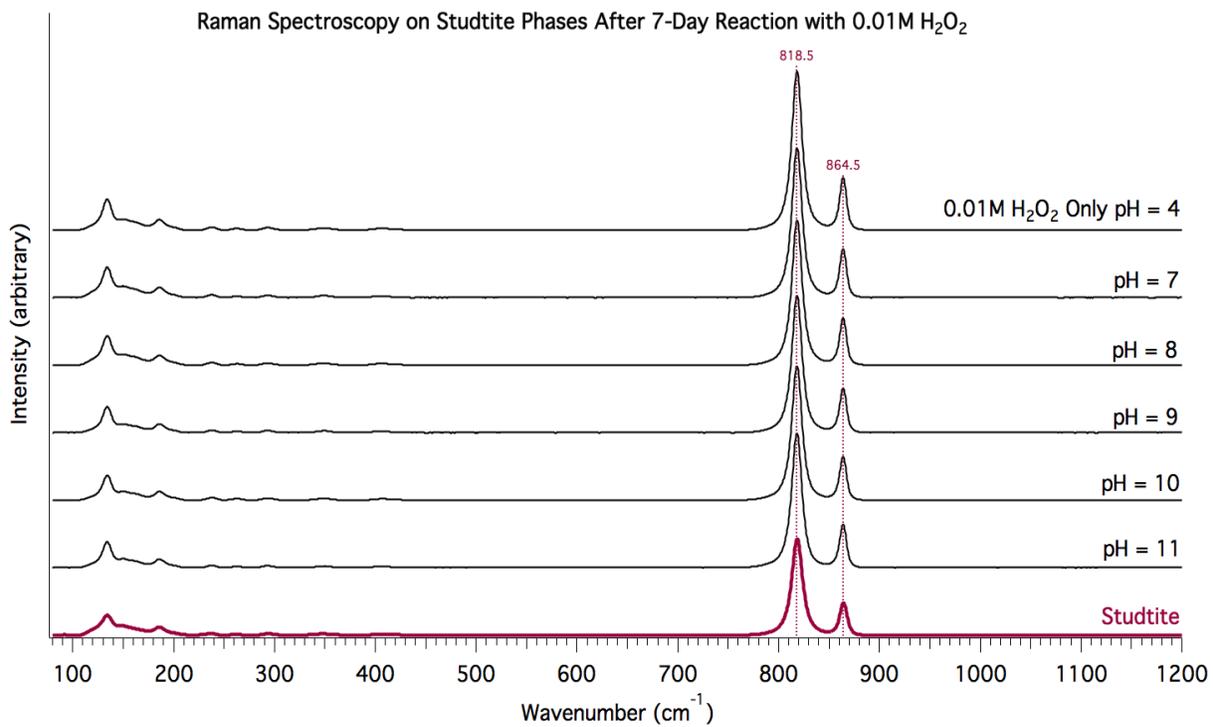


Figure S11. Raman spectra of studtite phase after 7-day reaction with 0.035 M H₂O₂ at varying pH values.

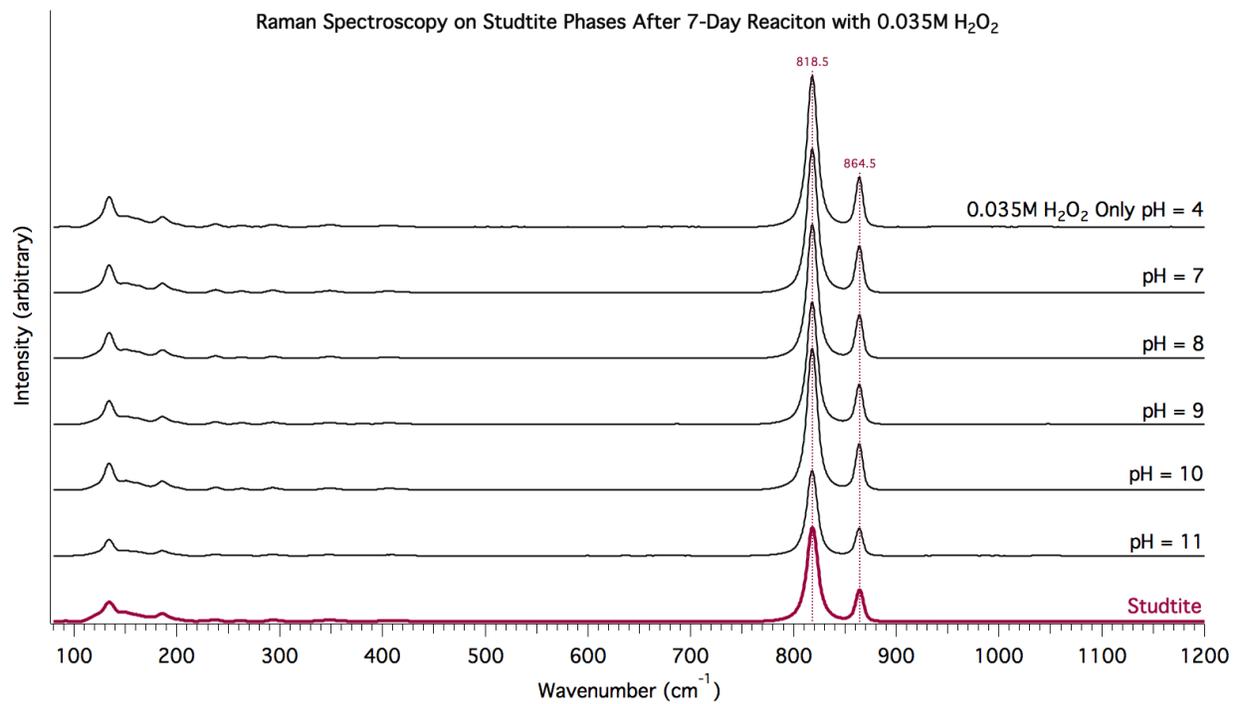


Figure S12. Raman spectra of studtite phase after 7-day reaction with 0.10 M H₂O₂ at varying pH values.

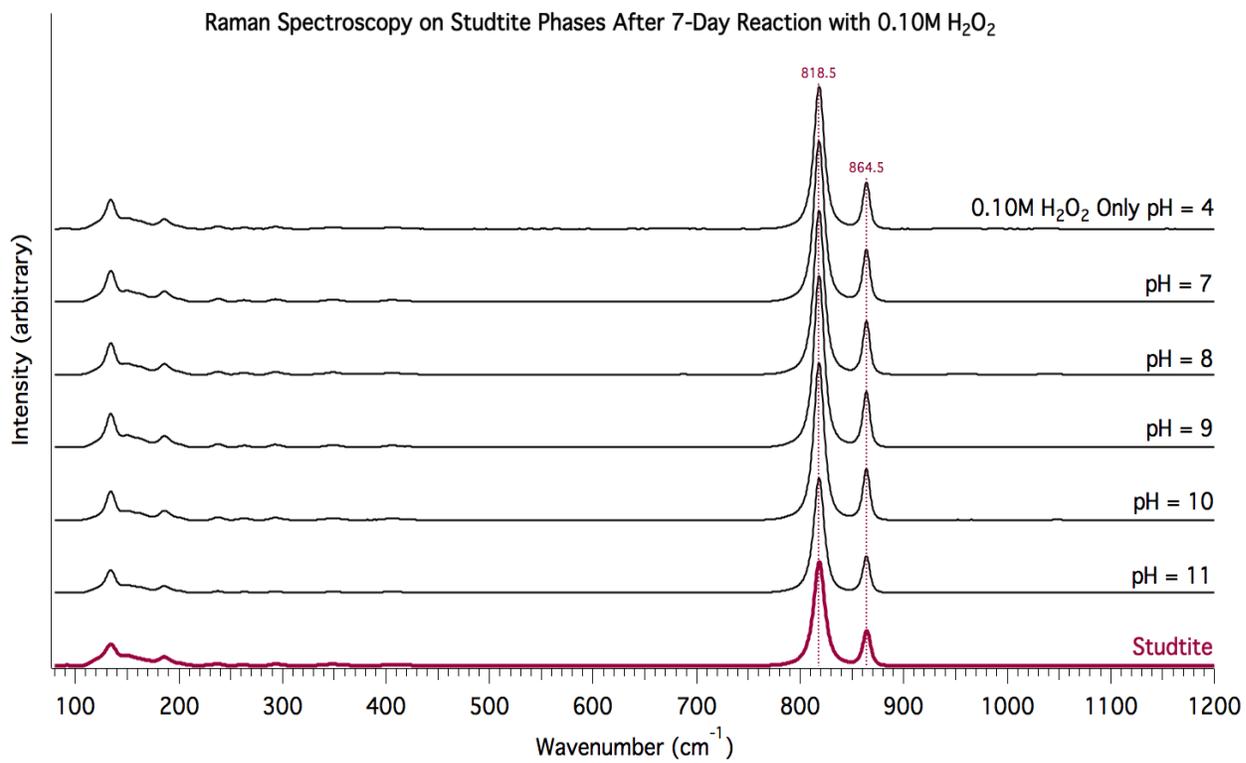


Figure S13. Raman spectra of studtite phase after 7-day reaction with 0.50 M H₂O₂ at varying pH values.

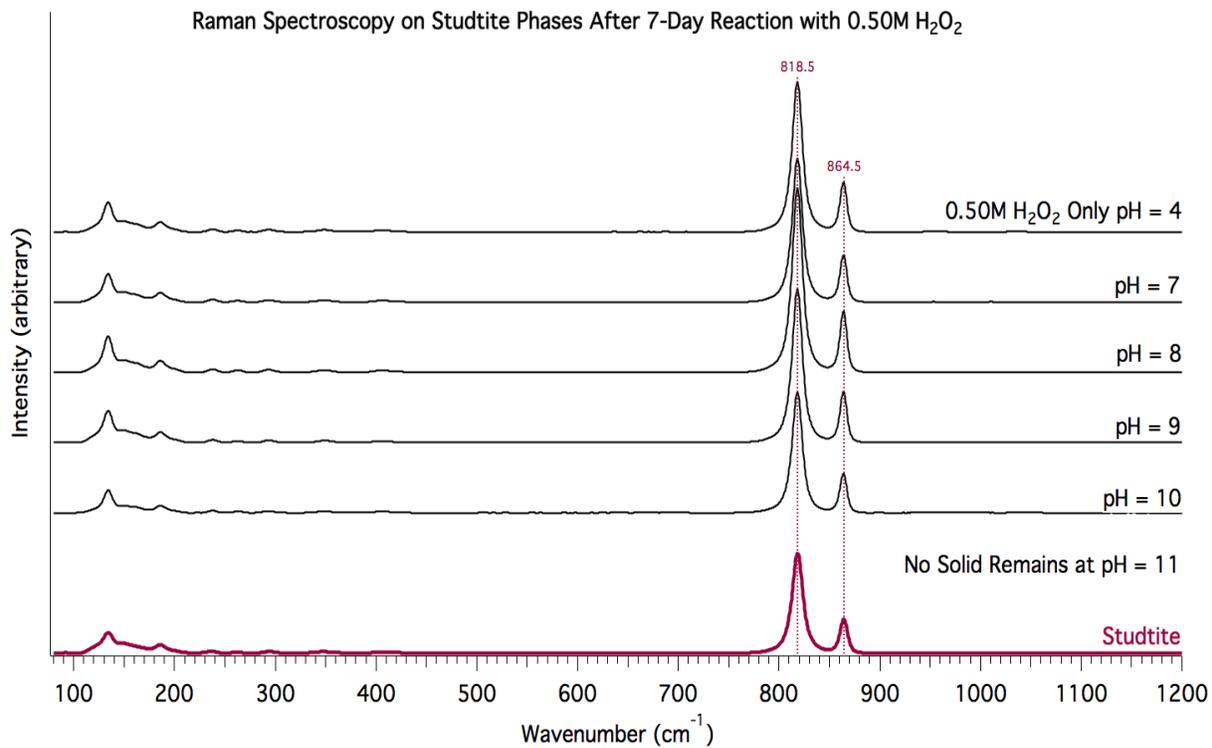


Figure S14. Raman spectra of solutions in U:TEAOH molar reactions in water only environments. Lines are marked at 810 and 847 cm^{-1} .

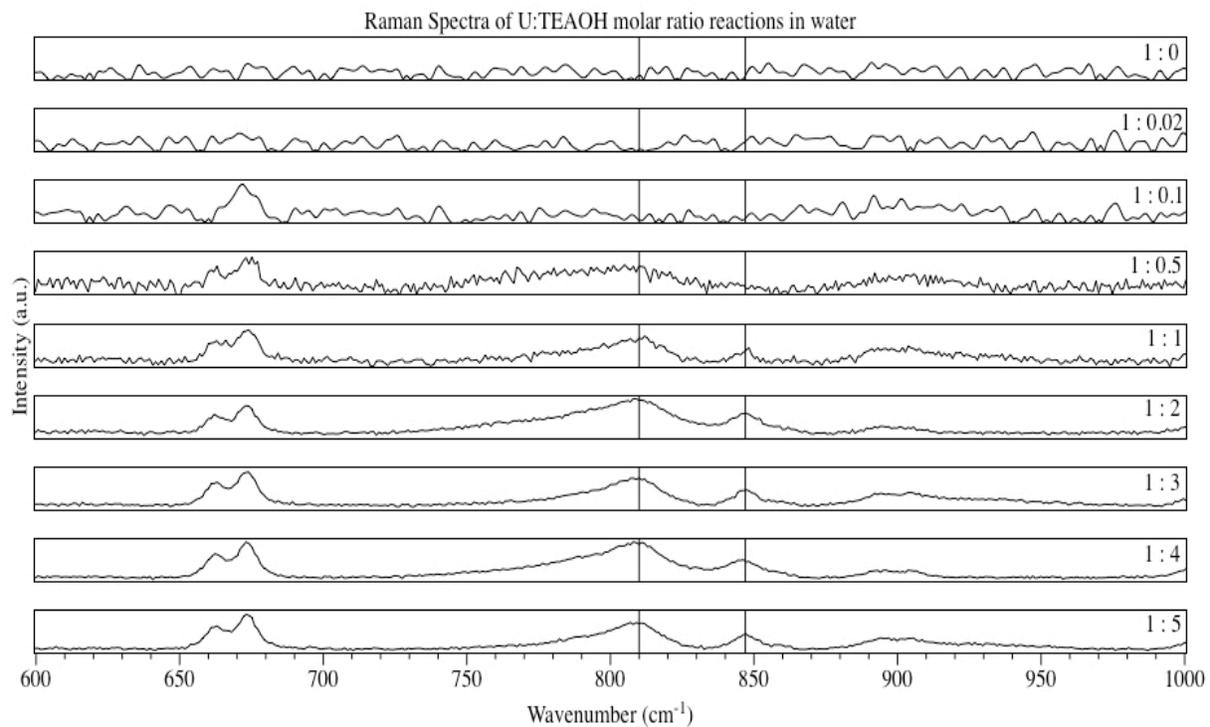


Figure S15. ESI-MS spectra of solutions in U:TEAOH molar reactions water only environments. Red lines represent -5, -4, -3 charge state and a cluster with a $M_{\text{avg}} = 8.5$ kDa.

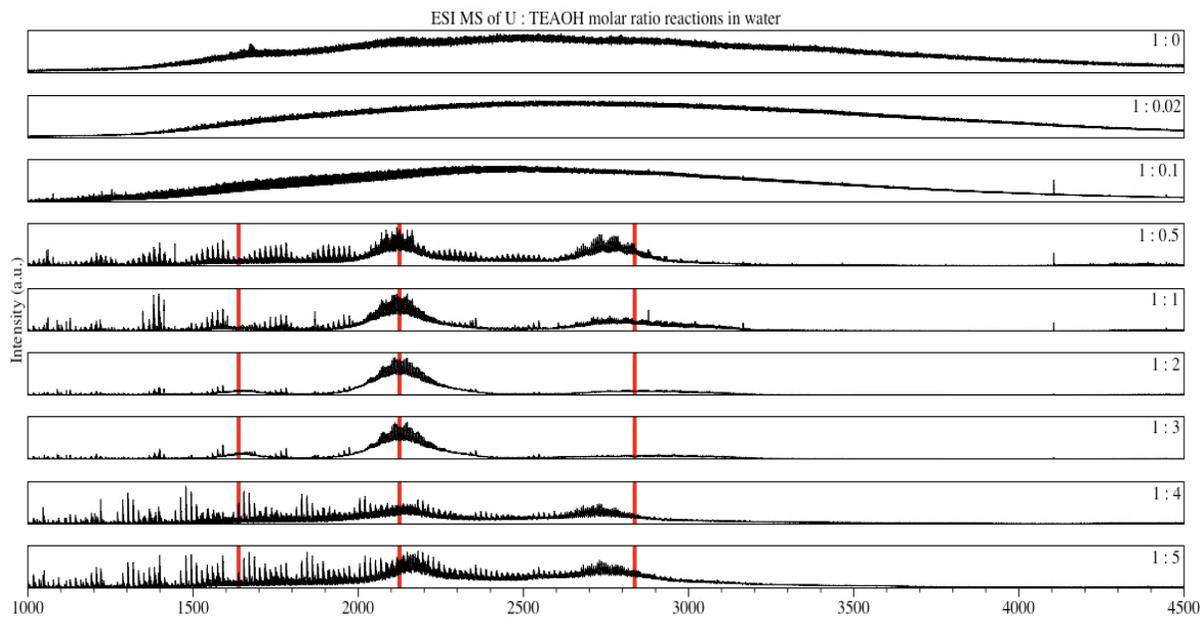


Table S3. Uranium concentration (ppm) detected in solution after studtite reacted with peroxide solutions of variable concentration at different pH values after seven days. The uranium concentrations of the control solutions remain below 12 ppm U for all experimental conditions

[U] (ppm)		Initial H ₂ O ₂ Concentration					
		Water Only	0.01 M	0.035 M	0.10 M	0.50 M	1.00 M
pH	Blank	12 ± 8	< 1	< 1	< 1	< 1	< 1
	7	4 ± 4	< 1	< 1	< 1	< 1	1 ± 1
	8	4 ± 3	1 ± 1	2 ± 2	1 ± 1	3 ± 2	5 ± 4
	9	13 ± 8	4 ± 3	4 ± 3	13 ± 2	20 ± 10	31 ± 9
	10	24 ± 11	10 ± 6	30 ± 23	50 ± 17	2065 ± 842	4901 ± 108
	11	19 ± 7	939 ± 386	2877 ± 176	7627 ± 202	11476 ± 478	11721 ± 492

Figure S16. Raman spectra of final solutions following seven-day reaction of studtite with water at varying pH values.

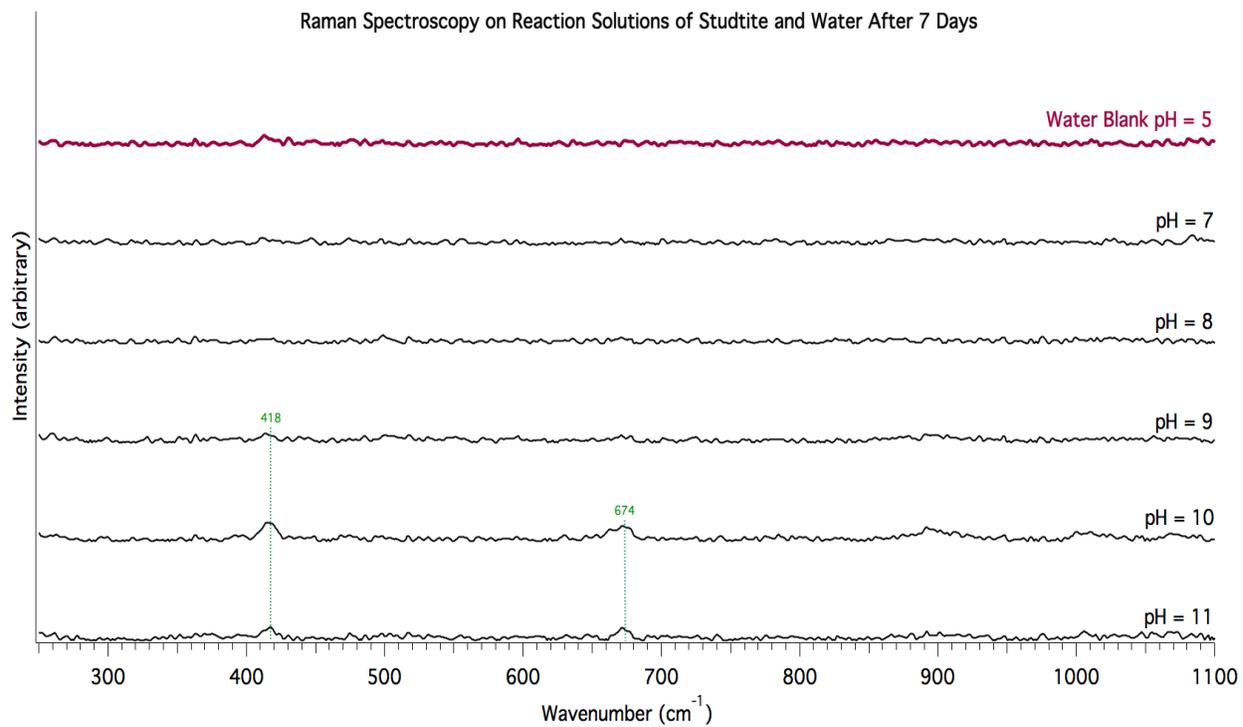


Figure S17. Raman spectra of final solutions following seven-day reaction of studtite with 0.01 M peroxide at varying pH values.

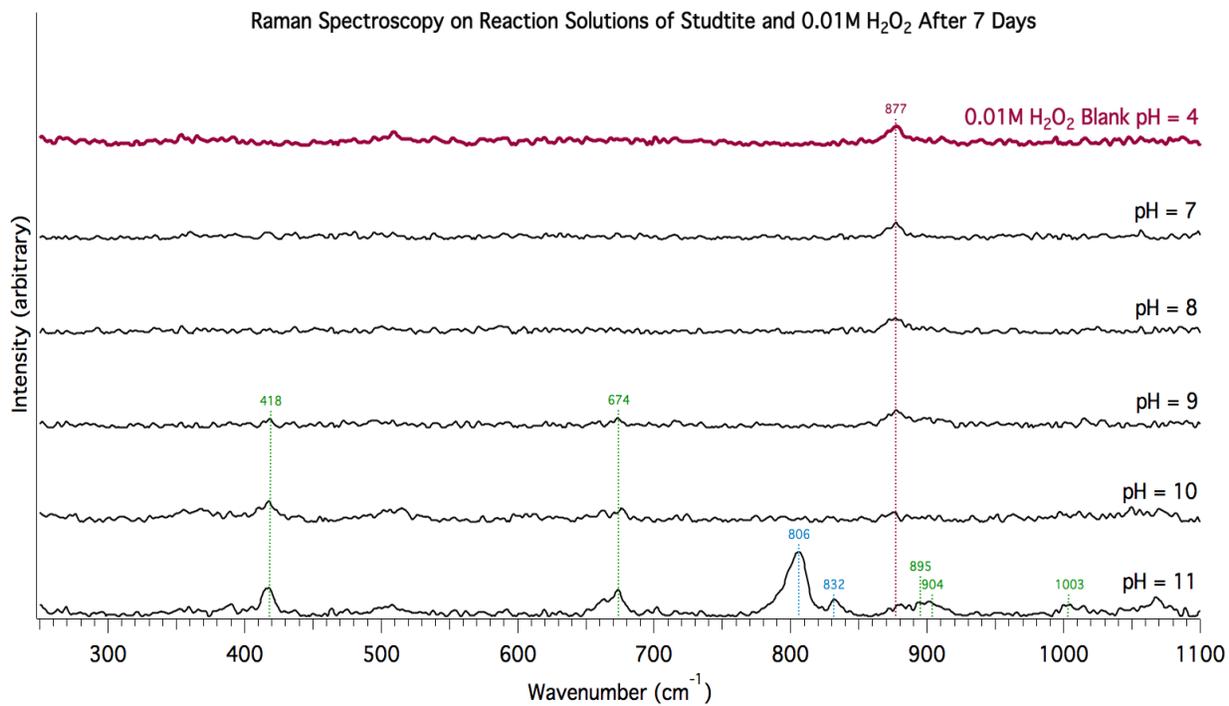


Figure S18. Raman spectra of final solutions following seven-day reaction of studtite with 0.035 M peroxide at varying pH values.

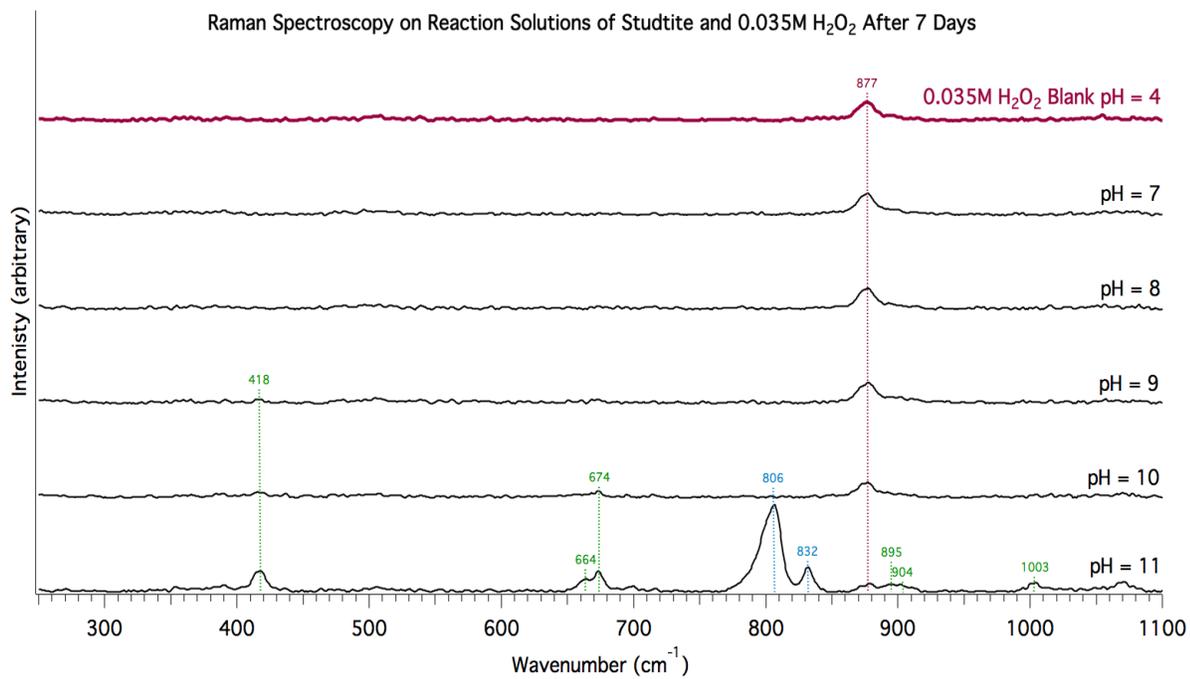


Figure S19. Raman spectra of final solutions following seven-day reaction of studtite with 0.10 M peroxide at varying pH values.

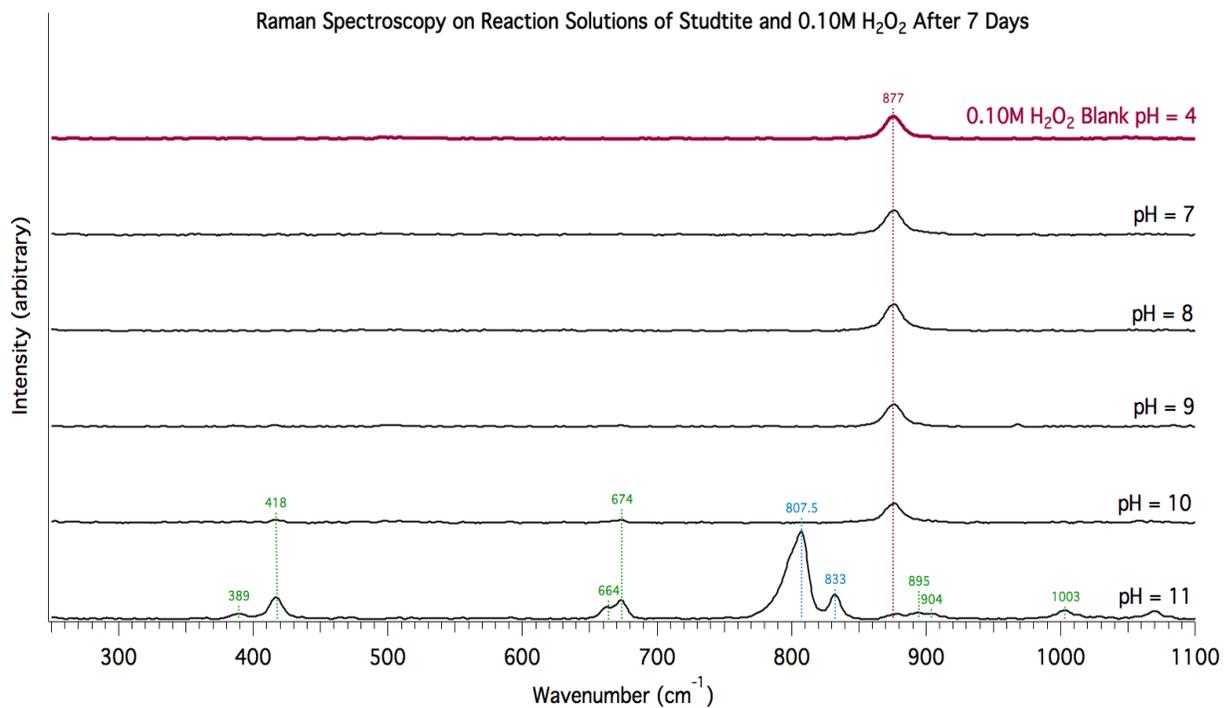


Figure S20. Raman spectra of final solutions following seven-day reaction of studtite with 0.50 M peroxide at varying pH values.

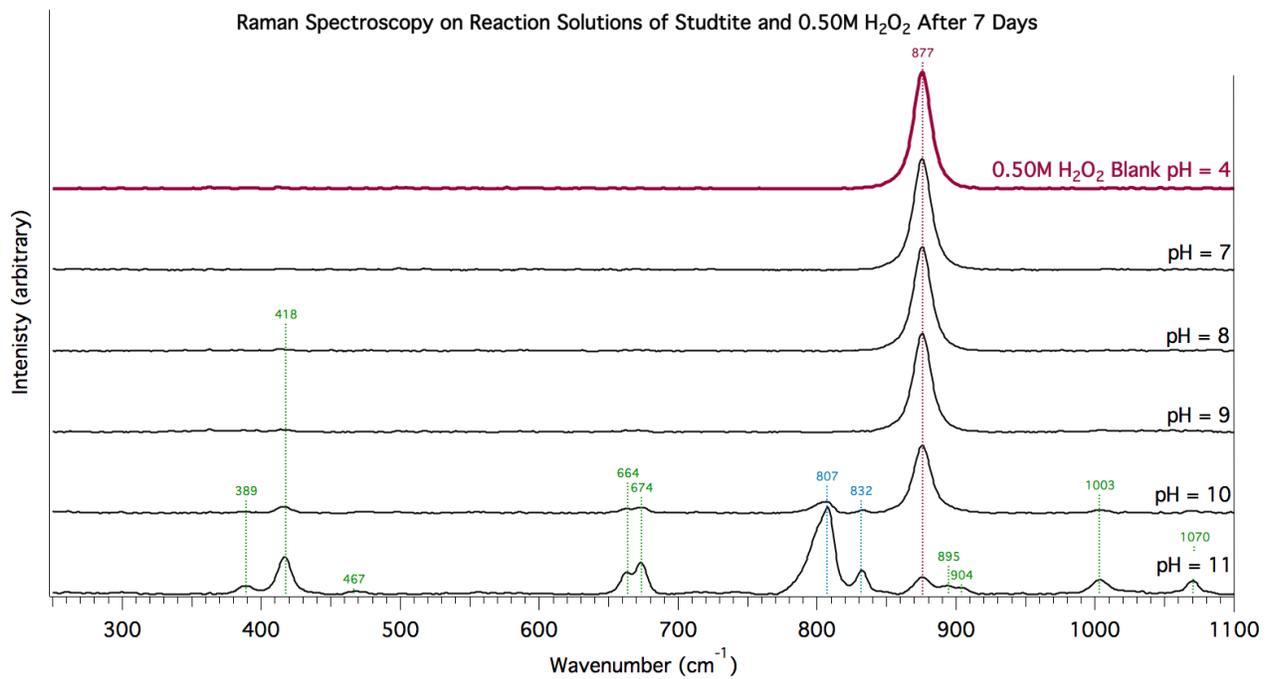


Figure S21. ESI-MS spectra of final solutions following seven-day reaction of studtite with water at varying pH values.

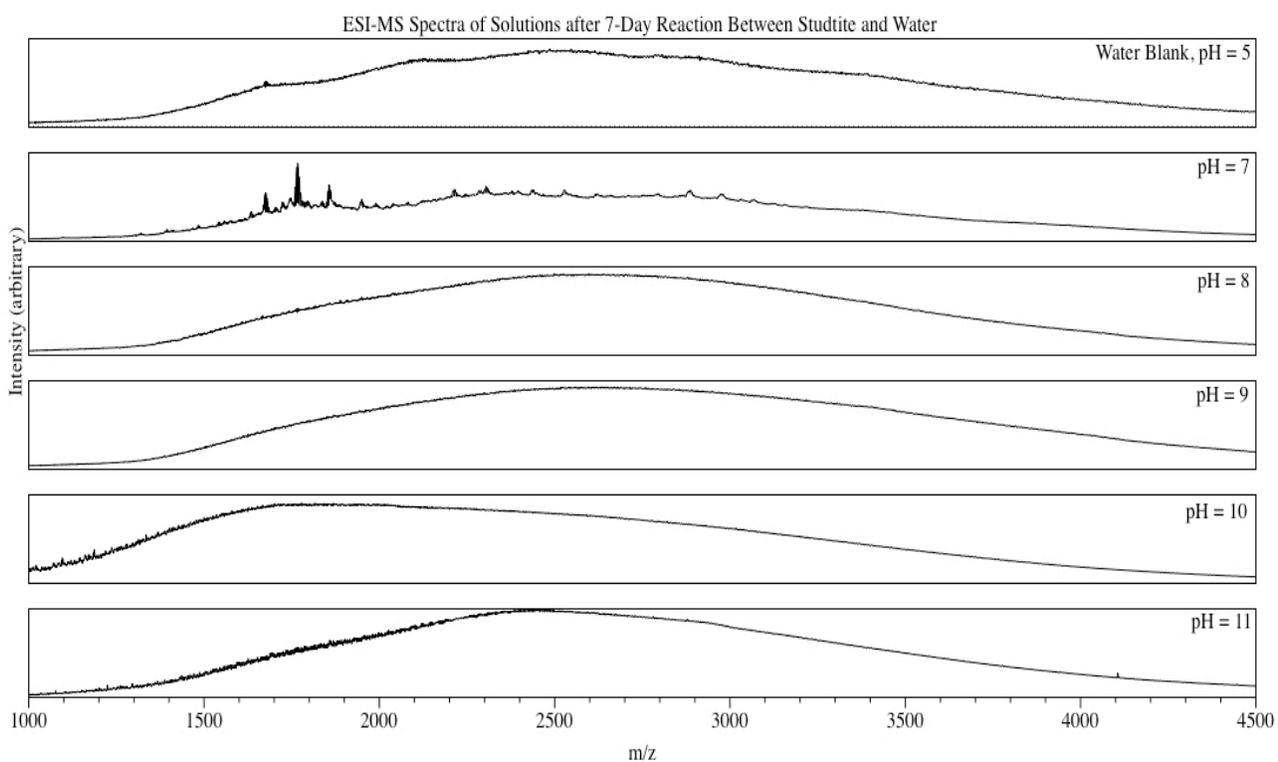


Figure S22. ESI-MS spectra of final solutions following seven-day reaction of studtite with 0.01 M peroxide at varying pH values. Blue lines are assigned charges of -6, -5, -4, and -3, respectively.

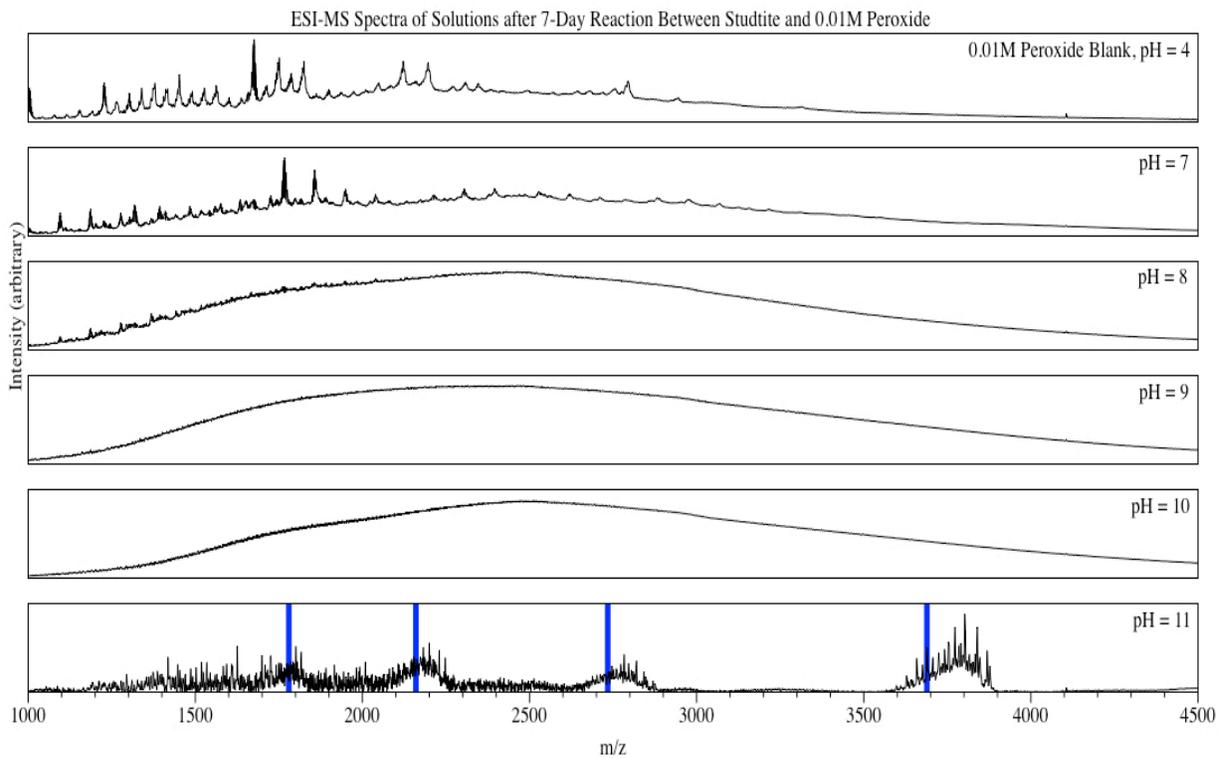


Figure S23. ESI-MS spectra of final solutions following seven-day reaction of studtite with 0.035 M peroxide at varying pH values. Blue lines are assigned charges of -6, -5, -4, and -3, respectively.

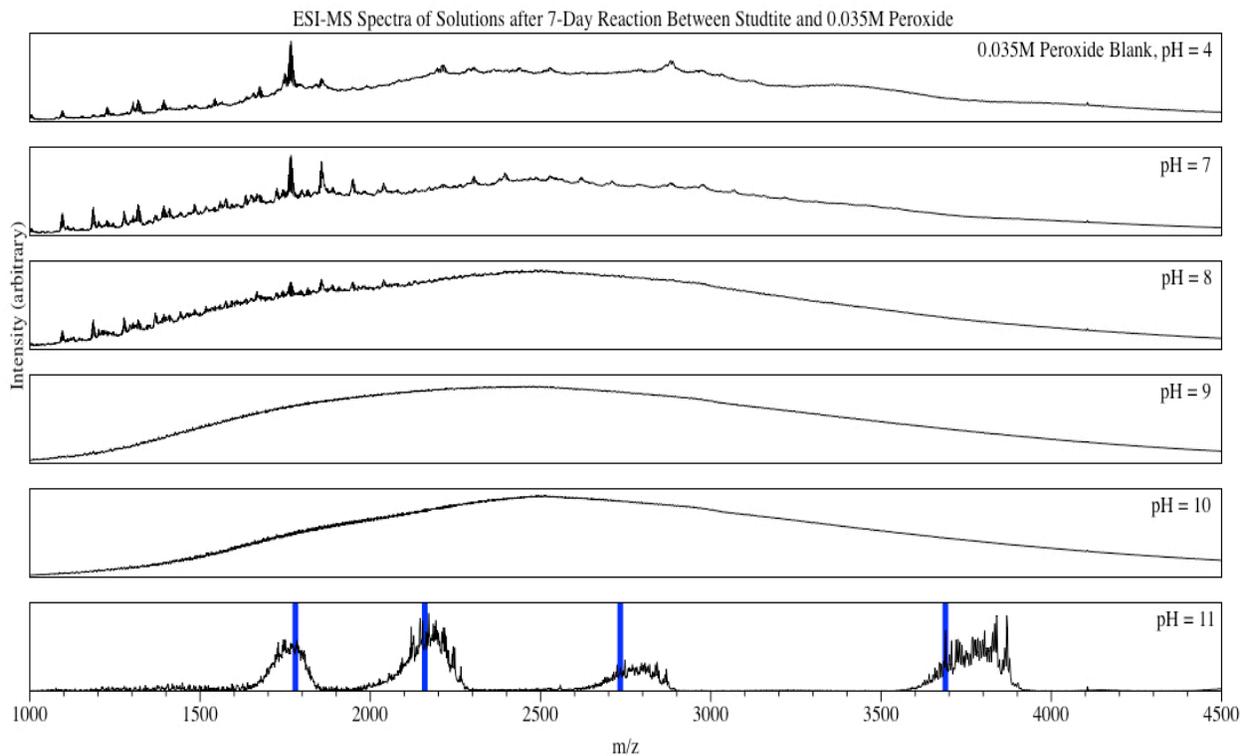


Figure S24. ESI-MS spectra of final solutions following seven-day reaction of studtite with 0.10 M peroxide at varying pH values. Blue lines are assigned charges of -6, -5, -4, and -3, respectively.

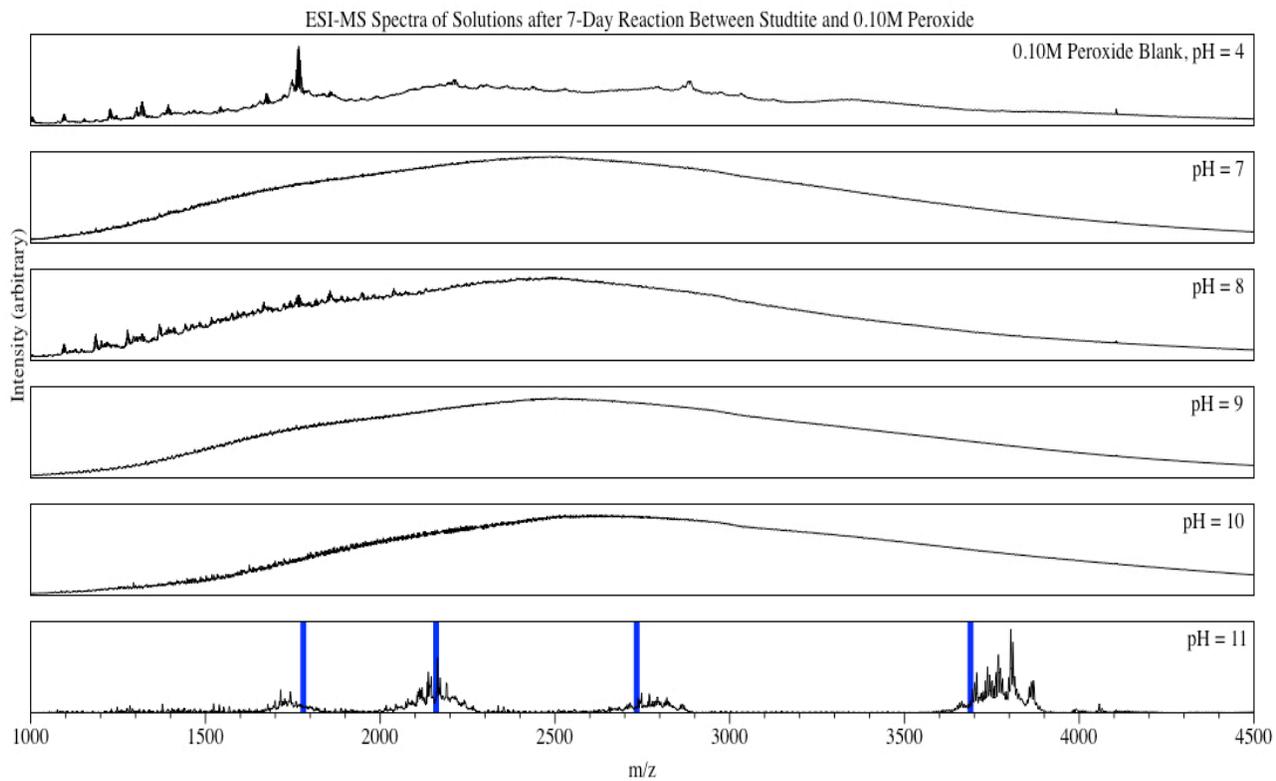


Figure S25. ESI-MS spectra of final solutions following seven-day reaction of studtite with 0.50 M peroxide at varying pH values. Blue lines are assigned charges of -6, -5, -4, and -3, respectively.

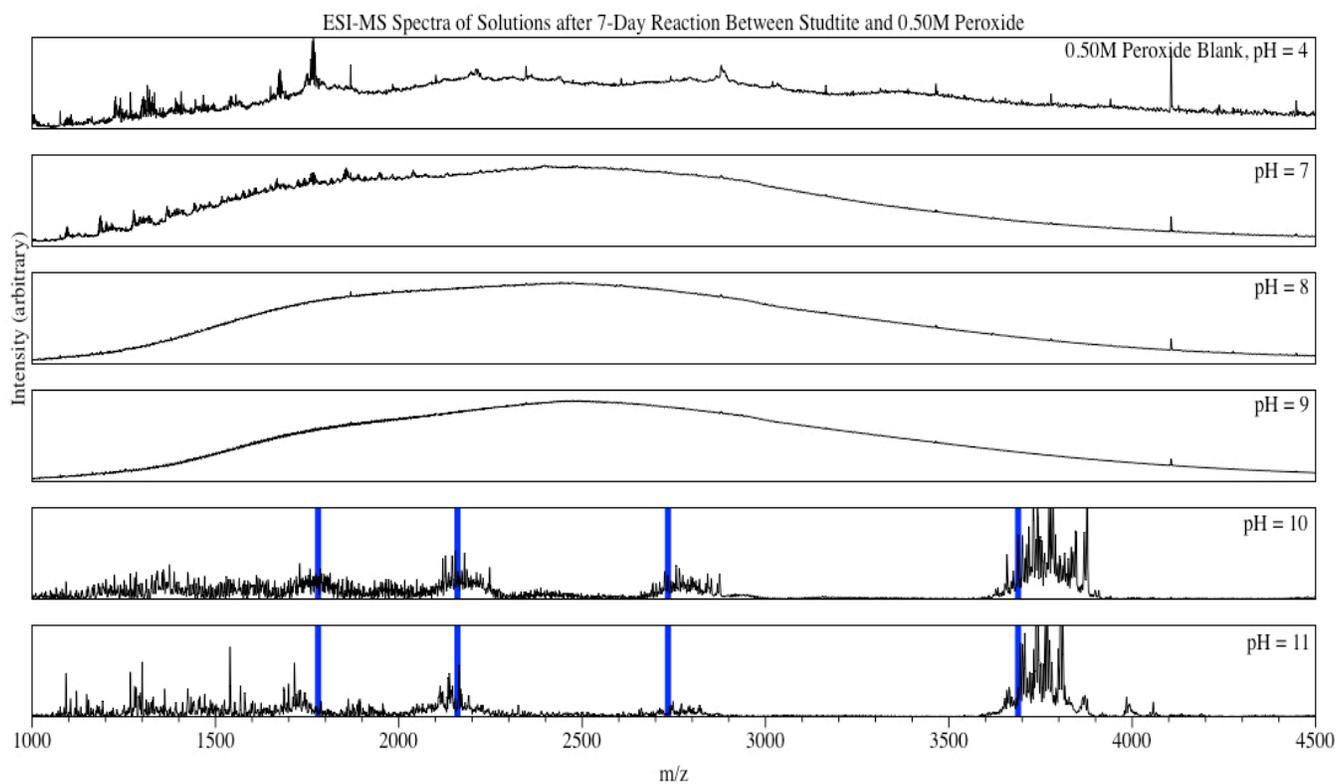


Figure S26. Raman spectra of solutions in U:TEAOH molar reactions in 0.01 M peroxide environments. Lines are marked at 808, 832, and 876 cm^{-1} .

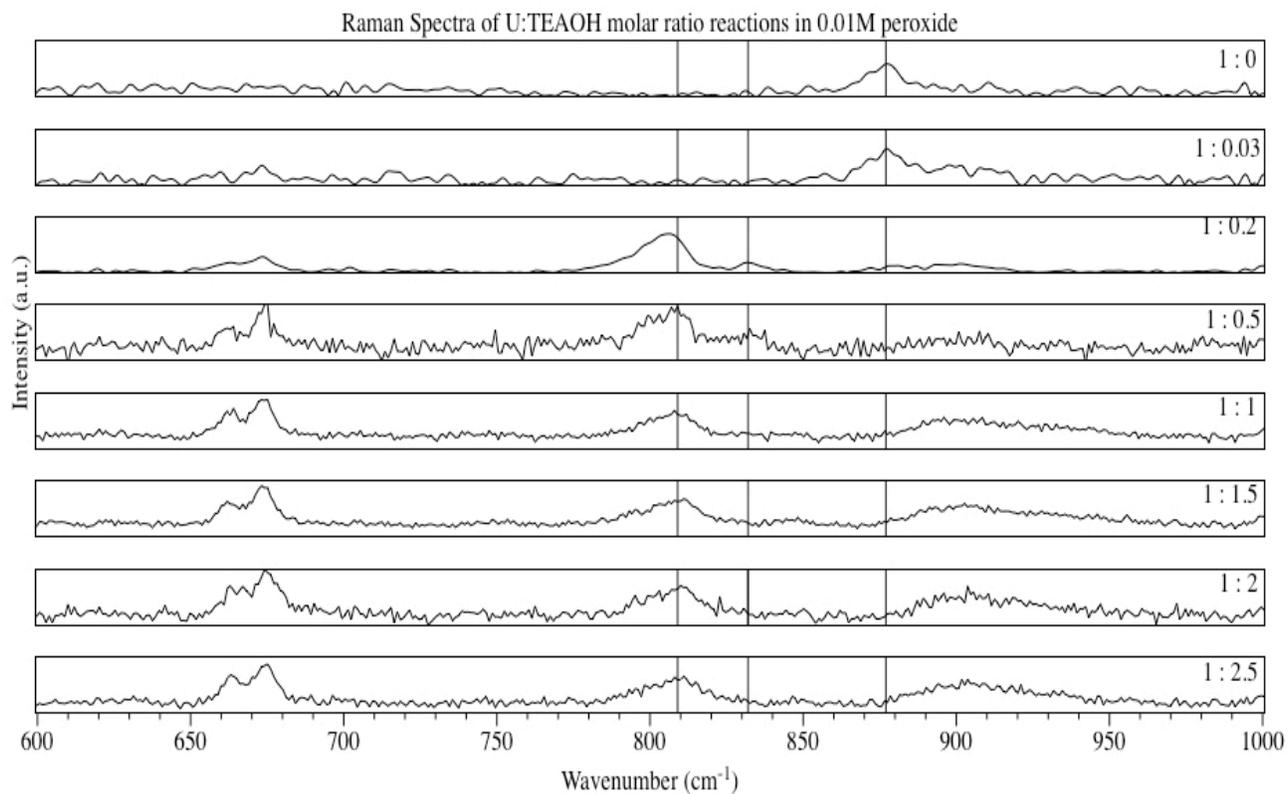


Figure S27. Raman spectra of solutions in U:TEAOH molar reactions in 0.035 M peroxide environments. Lines are marked at 808, 832, and 876 cm^{-1} .

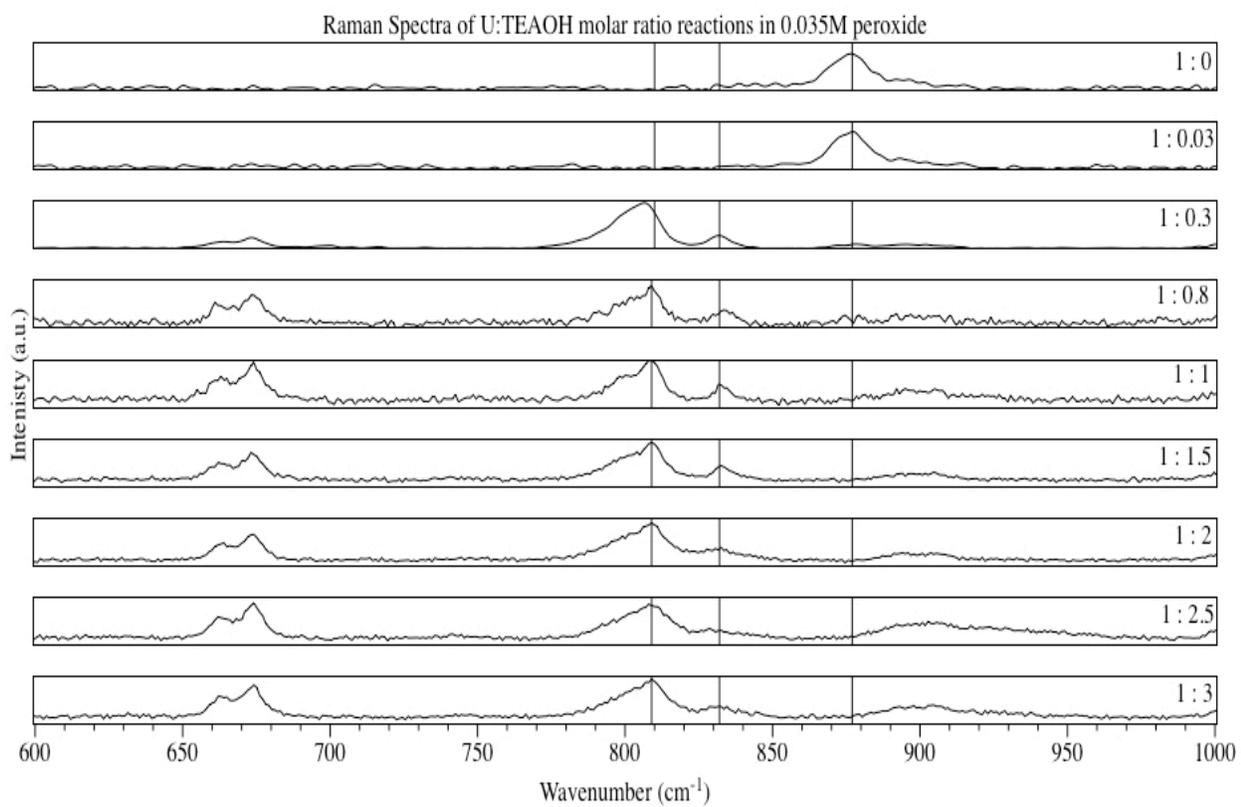


Figure S28. Raman spectra of solutions in U:TEAOH molar reactions in 0.10 M peroxide environments. Lines are marked at 808, 832, and 876 cm^{-1} .

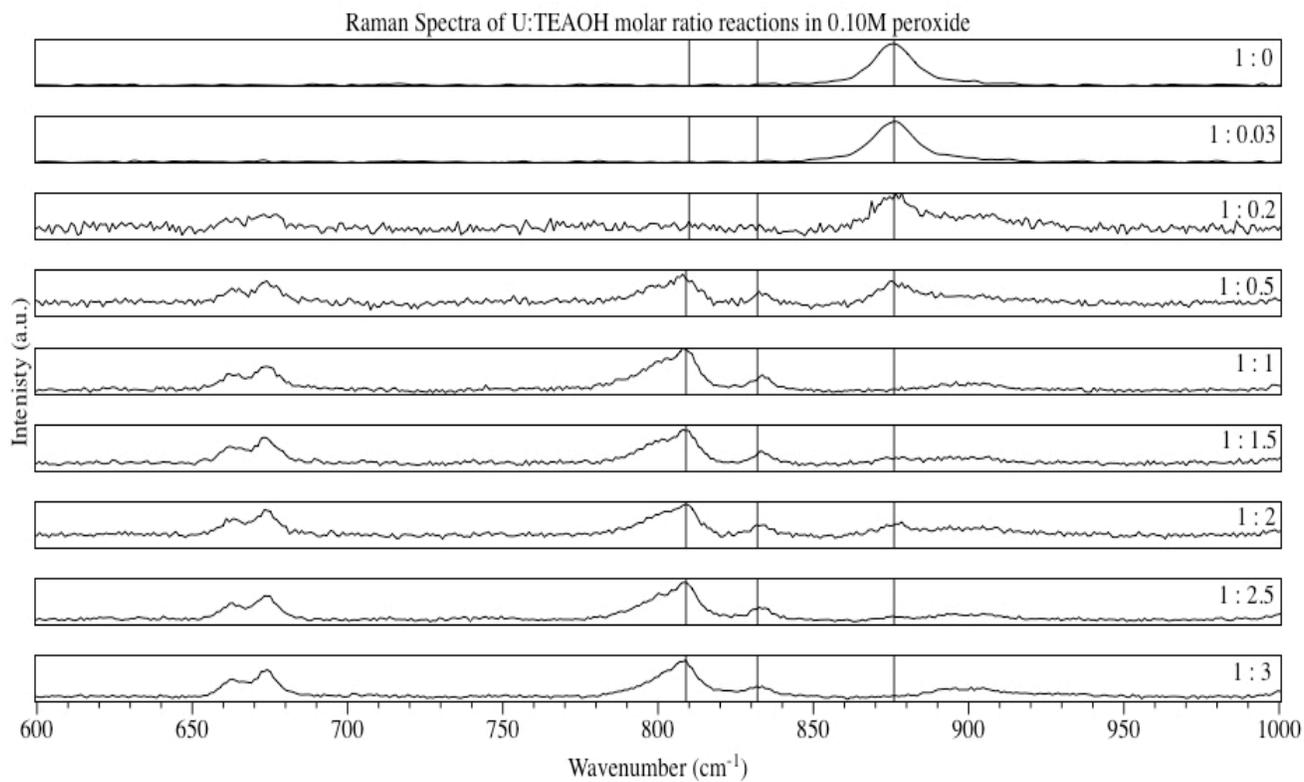


Figure S29. Raman spectra of solutions in U:TEAOH molar reactions in 0.50 M peroxide environments. Lines are marked at 808, 832, and 876 cm^{-1} .

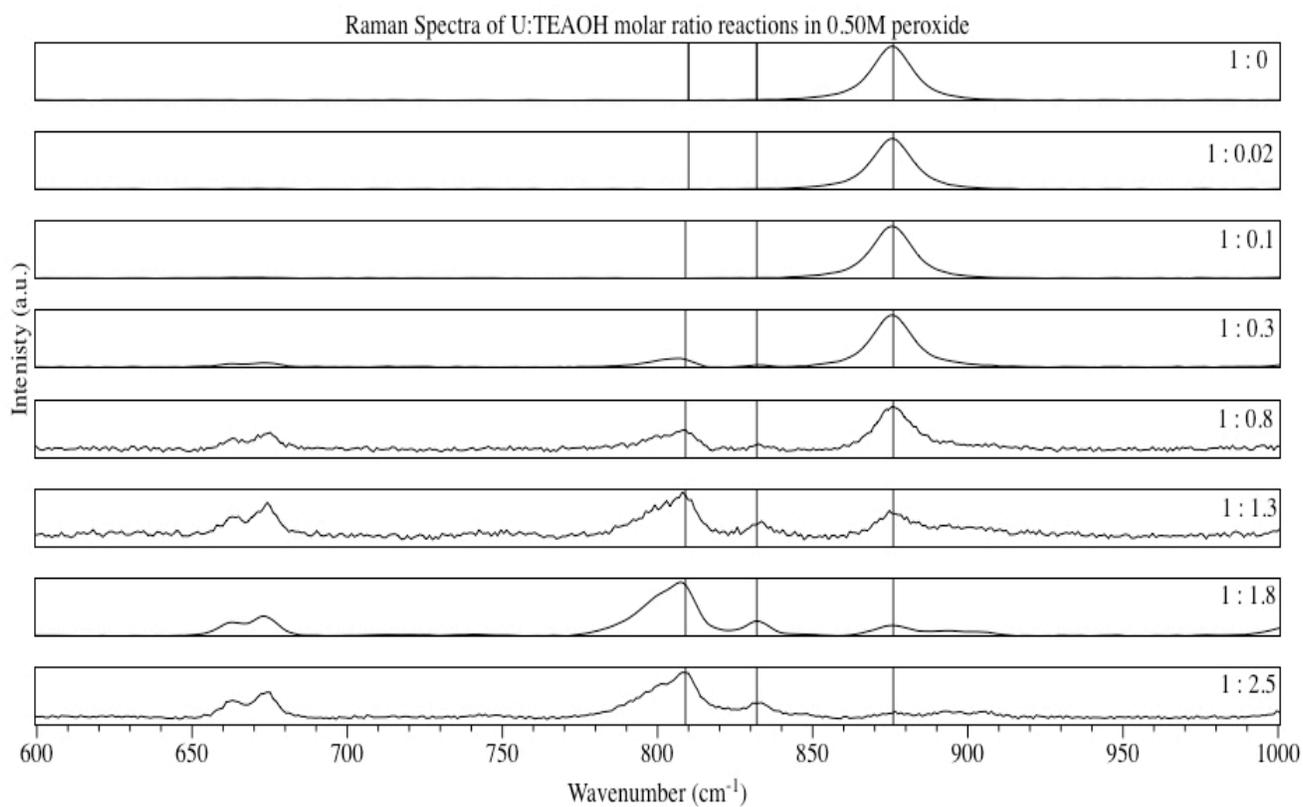


Figure S30. Raman spectra of solutions in U:TEAOH molar reactions in 1.00 M peroxide environments. Lines are marked at 808, 832, and 876 cm^{-1} .

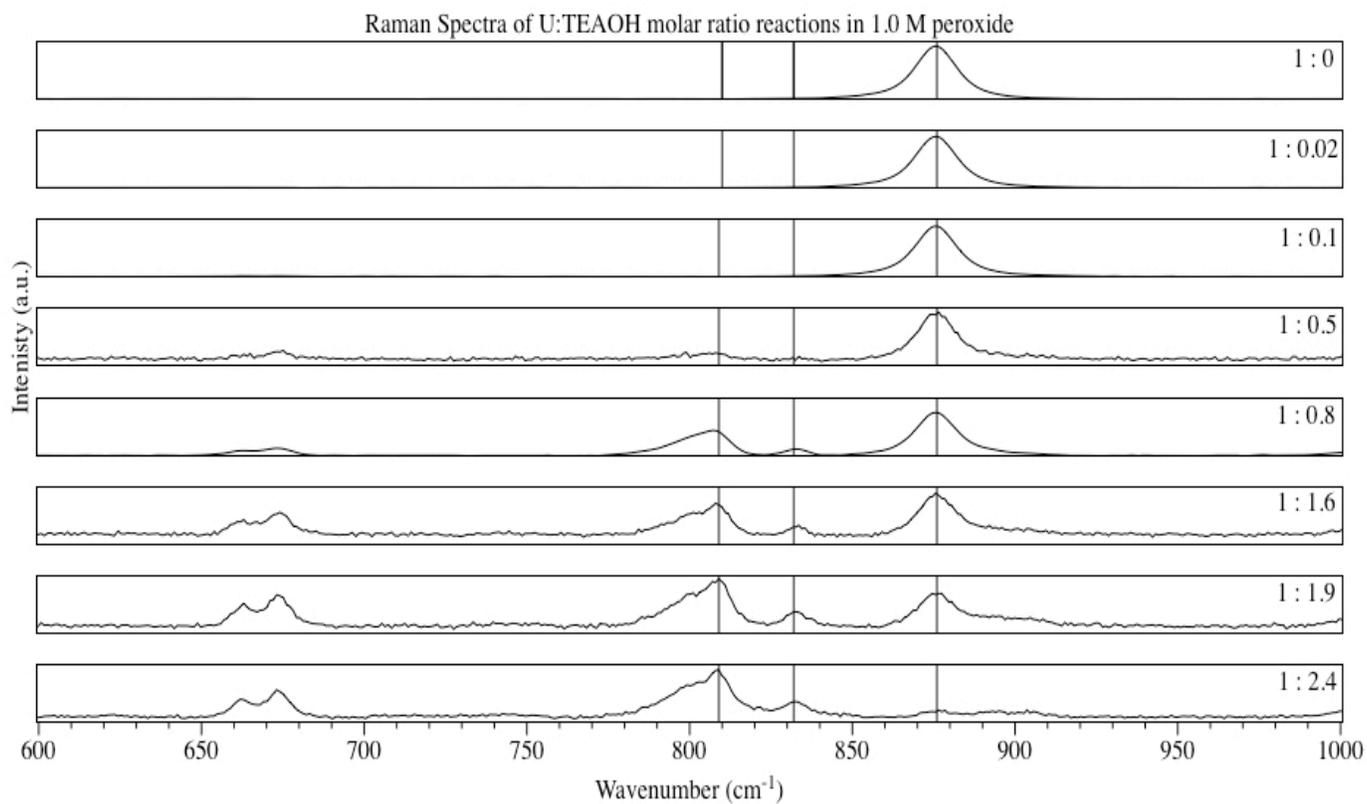


Figure S31. ESI-MS spectra of solutions in U:TEAOH molar reactions in 0.01 M peroxide environments. Blue lines are assigned charges of -6, -5, -4, and -3, respectively.

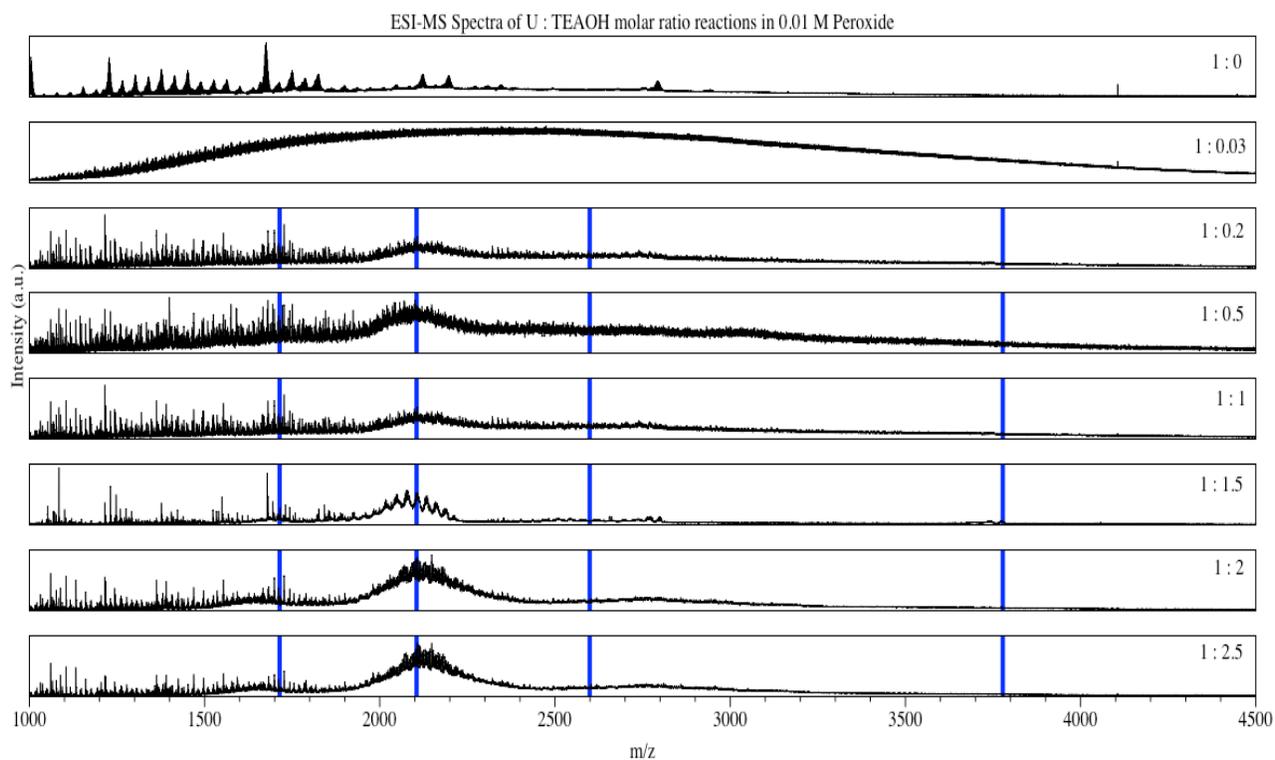


Figure S32. ESI-MS spectra of solutions in U:TEAOH molar reactions in 0.035 M peroxide environments. Blue lines are assigned charges of -6, -5, -4, and -3, respectively.

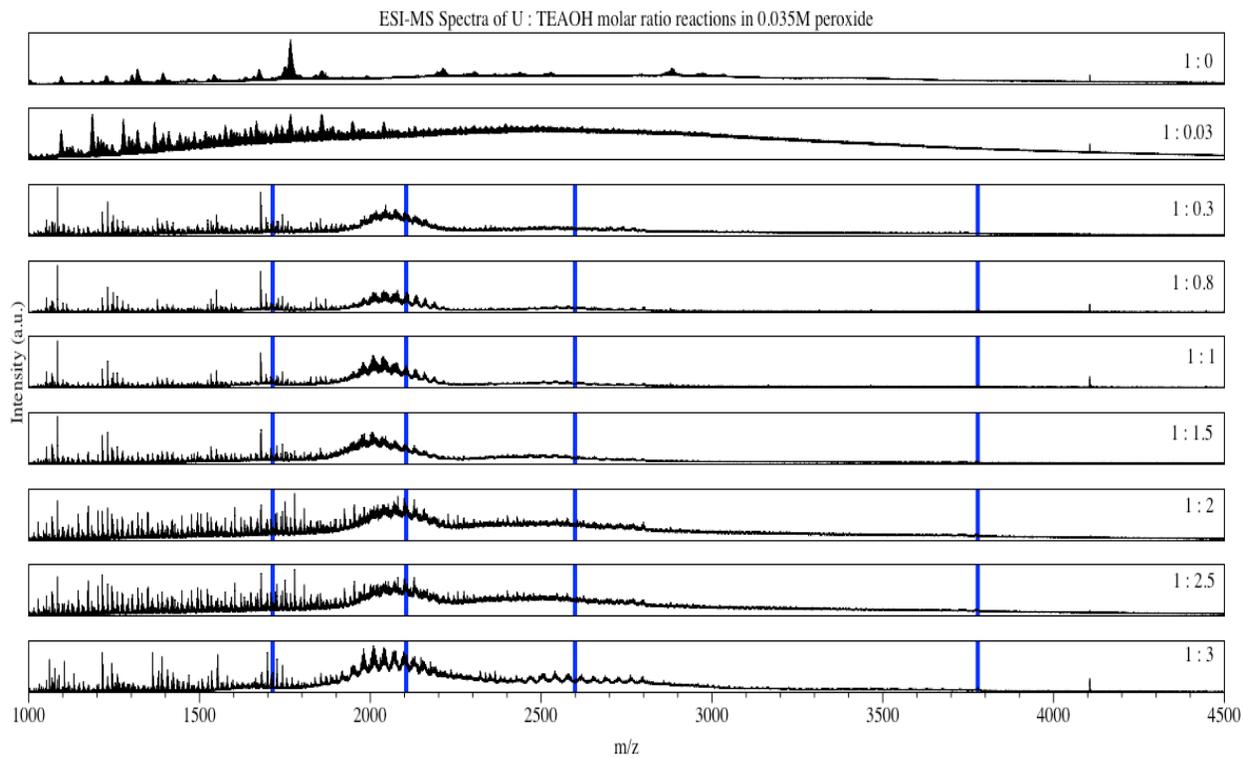


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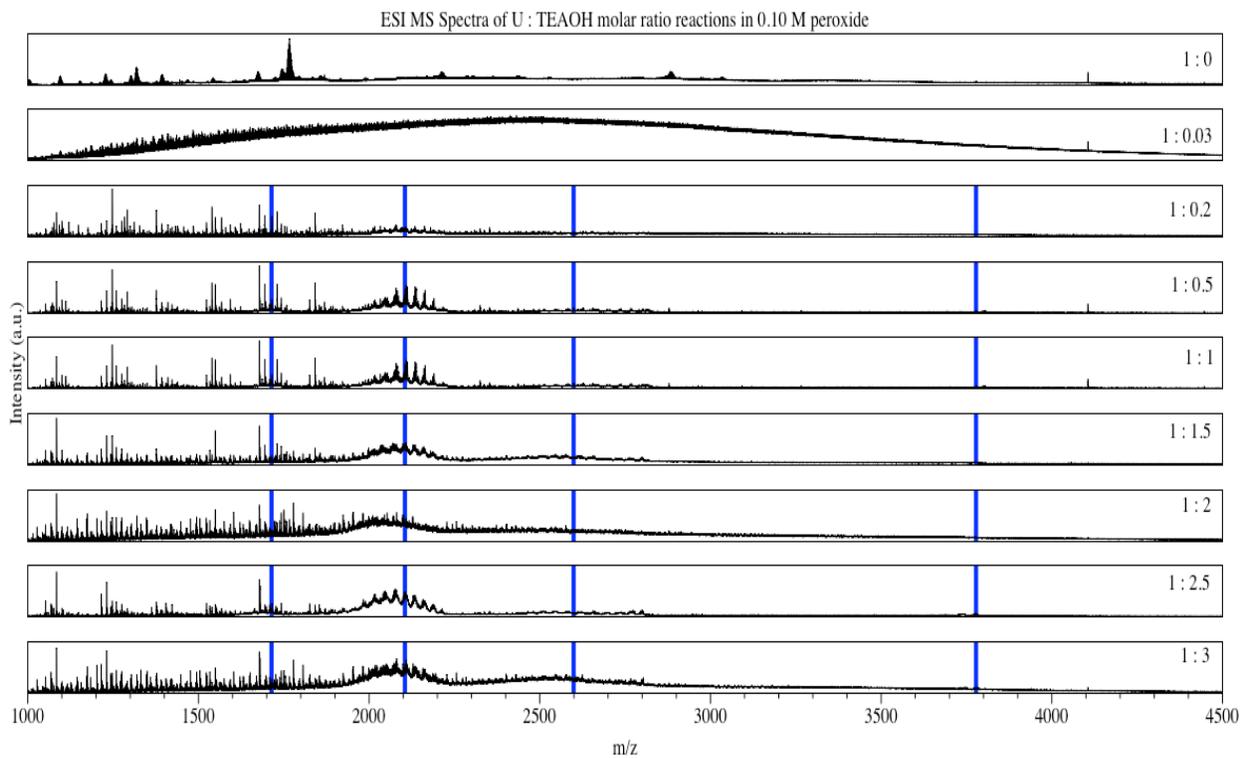


Figure S34. ESI-MS spectra of solutions in U:TEAOH molar reactions in 0.50 M peroxide environments. Blue lines are assigned charges of -6, -5, -4, and -3, respectively.

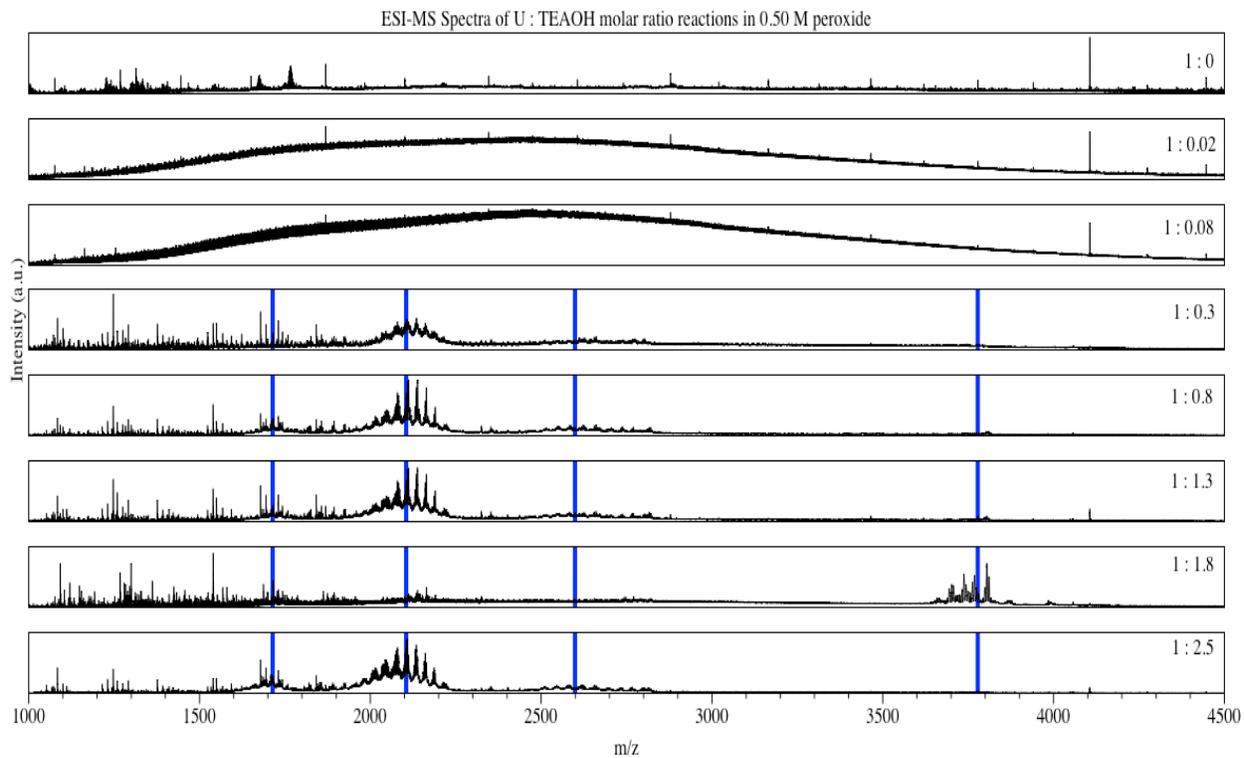


Figure S35. ESI-MS spectra of solutions in U:TEAOH molar reactions in 1.0 M peroxide environments. Blue lines are assigned charges of -6, -5, -4, and -3, respectively.

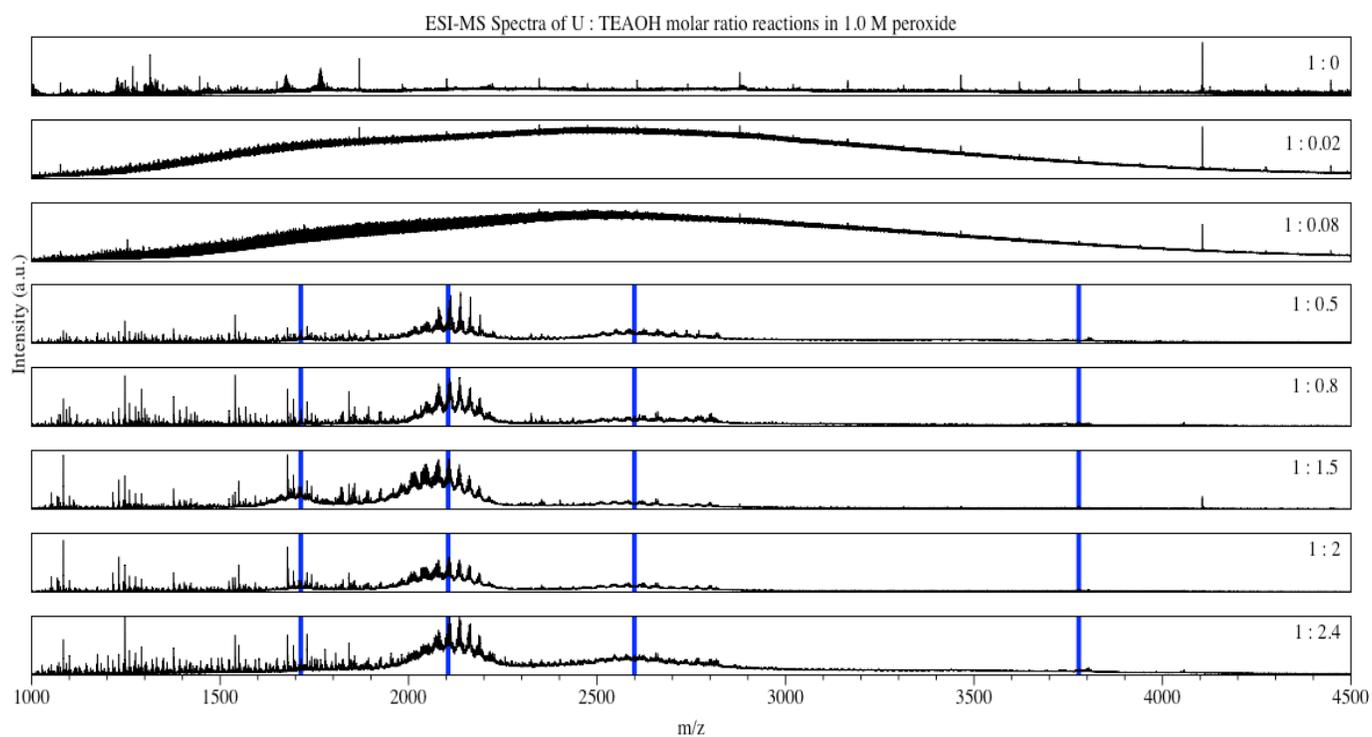


Figure S36. Raman spectrum of 40% tetraethylammonium hydroxide (TEAOH).

