

# Hydroxyapatite microparticles as feed-back active reservoirs of corrosion inhibitors

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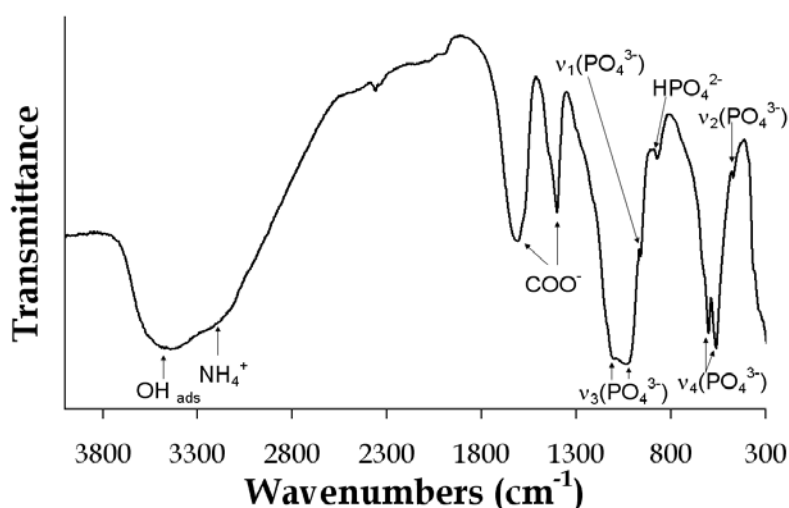
## Supporting information

**HPLC.** High performance liquid chromatography was used to determine the loading capacity of HAP for 8-HQ and Sal and measure release at different pH. A PerkinElmer 200LC pump, an UV-detector and Grace Smart RP-18 (4.6×250mm, 5µm) column were used. 20µl of the sample was injected into the column using a sample loop. The chromatographic conditions for determination of 8-hydroxyquinoline were optimized as follows: acetonitrile-water (65:35 v/v) pH = 3.05 was used as a mobile phase; flow rate was 0.8ml/min; UV signal was recorded at 240nm; retention time was 4.23 min. The optimized chromatographic conditions for salicylaldehyde quantification: mobile phase was a mixture of methanol-water-5% phosphoric acid (40:60:4 v/v); flow rate was 1.1ml/min; UV detection was carried out at 301nm, retention time was 8.14min. TotalChrom 6.3 software was used for data processing.

**Preparation of pH-selective microelectrodes.** The pH selective microelectrodes were prepared from single-barreled, standard-wall (330 micron) borosilicate glass capillaries with an outer-diameter of 1.5 mm. A P-97 Flaming/Brown Micropipette Puller (Sutter Instruments) was used to shape the cone tip. The diameter of the apex of the tip was  $2.0 \pm 0.5 \mu\text{m}$ . Before use, the inner surface of the capillaries was silanized by injecting 200 µL of N,N-dimethyltrimethylsilylamine in a glass preparation chamber at 200°C. The silanized microelectrodes were back-filled with the inner filling solution and tip-filled with a selective ionophore-based oil-like membrane. The ion-selective membrane was composed of 6 wt% 4-nonadecylpyridine, 12 mol% potassium tetrakis(4-chlorophenyl)borate and membrane solvent 2-nitrophenyloctyl ether. All reagents for the pH-

selective membrane were Selectophore grade products from Fluka. The column length of the membrane was about 60 - 70  $\mu\text{m}$ . A chlorinated silver wire was inserted into the inner filling solution as the internal reference electrode. The inner filling solution contained a buffer solution composed of 0.01M  $\text{KH}_2\text{PO}_4$  and 0.1M KCl. The microelectrodes were calibrated using commercially available (Fluka) pH buffers. A homemade Ag/AgCl/0.1M KCl, 0.01M  $\text{KH}_2\text{PO}_4$  electrode with an inner solution stabilized by 3% agar-agar was used as external reference electrode. The microelectrodes demonstrated a stable and reproducible potential in the pH range 2 to 10 with a linear response slope of  $-54.8 \pm 0.7$  mV/pH.

**FTIR.** Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy measurements were performed using a Mattson Galaxy 3020 Spectrophotometer. The samples were prepared by mixing  $\sim 2$  mg of HAP with  $\sim 300$  mg of spectroscopic-grade KBr (Merck) and pressing the mixture into a disk. The infrared spectrum, Fig.S1, was recorded in transmittance mode between 4000 and 300  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  with a resolution of 4  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .



**Figure S1.** FTIR spectrum of the hydroxyapatite microparticles.

Two strong bonds, at 1405 and 1595  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , assigned to citrate carboxylate groups  $\text{COO}^-$  (asymmetric and symmetric stretching, respectively) were observed. The typical FTIR spectrum also shows the main vibration bonds for the hydroxyapatite  $\text{PO}_4^{3-}$  groups at 1087, 1040, 962, 601, 571 and 474  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The first peak, at 1087  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , arises from a triple degenerate asymmetric stretching mode vibration,  $v_3$ . The other component of this degenerate vibration,  $v_3$ , of the P–O bond appears at 1040  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The peak at 962  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  is assigned to a nondegenerate symmetric stretching mode,  $v_1$ . The peaks at 601 and 571  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  are assigned to a doubly degenerate bending

mode,  $\nu_4$ , of the O–P–O bond. The weak peak at  $474\text{ cm}^{-1}$  is a component of the degenerate bending mode,  $\nu_2$ . The broad band at  $3400\text{ cm}^{-1}$  can be assigned to adsorbed water molecules. In addition, a broad band detected at  $3200\text{ cm}^{-1}$  accounts for the presence of ammonium ions,  $\text{NH}_4^+$  [1S-3S].

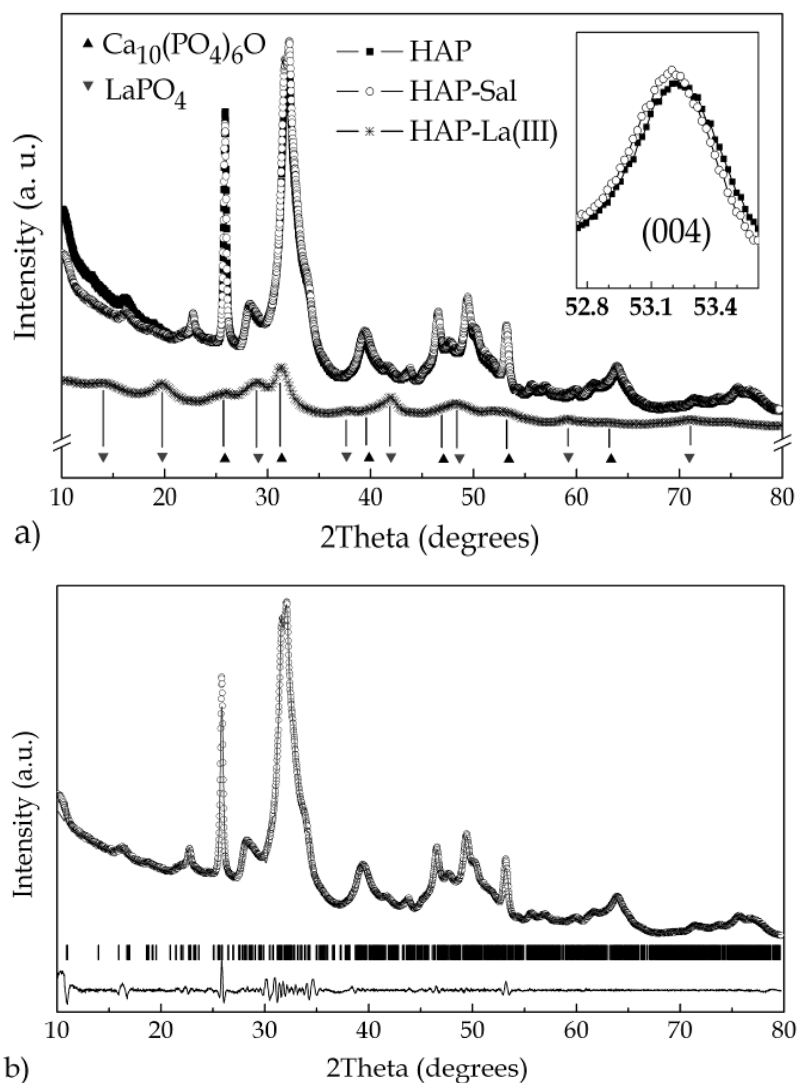
**XRD.** Phase analysis of the precipitated powders of hydroxyapatite and hydroxyapatite-derived compositions was performed by X-ray diffraction using a Rigaku D/MAX-B diffractometer (Cu  $K\alpha$  radiation, tube power 40 kV, 30 mA; graphite monochromator, receiving slit of 0.15 mm). The XRD data was collected over an angular range of  $10 < 2\theta < 80^\circ$  with  $0.02^\circ$  steps and exposition of 5 s/step. For the crystal structure characterization, the detailed data was recorded using a Philips X'Pert MPD diffractometer (Ni-filtered Cu  $K\alpha$  radiation, tube power 40 kV, 50 mA; X'celerator detector, and the exposition corresponded to 14 s per step of  $0.02^\circ$  over the same  $2\theta$  range) at room-temperature. The obtained data was refined by the Rietveld method using the FULLPROF suite [4S].

XRD analysis was performed in order to assess the changes in the crystalline structure of the hydroxyapatite after doping with the different inhibiting compounds. Blank HAP, as well as the hydroxyapatite powders treated with salicylaldehyde and lanthanum nitrate (HAP-Sal and HAP-La(III)) were characterized. The diffraction patterns of HAP and HAP-Sal show that the treatment with salicylaldehyde does not change the crystalline structure of hydroxyapatite, Fig. S2a. At the same time, small shifts in the diffraction peaks were observed suggesting differences in the values of the lattice parameters (see inset in Fig. S2a). Treatment with lanthanum results in decomposition of the hydroxyapatite phase. HAP-La(III) presents a mixture of calcium- and lanthanum-based phases, where calcium phosphate oxide  $\text{Ca}_{10}(\text{PO}_4)_6\text{O}$  and lanthanum phosphate  $\text{LaPO}_4$  are the dominant compounds (Fig. S2a).

The characteristic reflections in the XRD patterns of both HAP and HAP-Sal are indicative of the monoclinic symmetry [5S, 6S]. Indeed, the crystal structure of these compositions was successfully refined using the monoclinic  $P2_1/b$  space group. Fig. S2b shows the results of the refinement in the case of HAP-Sal. The obtained values of the structure parameters are listed in Table S1. An attempt to refine the XRD data using the hexagonal  $P6_3/m$  space group was made, as this symmetry was previously attributed to the  $[\text{Ca}_5(\text{PO}_4)_3(\text{OH})]_2$  hydroxyapatite [7S] and to other related hydroxyapatites with a Ca/P molar ratio different from 5:3 [8S]. However, the monoclinic symmetry (space group  $P2_1/b$ ) provided a better fit in respect to both the description of the diffraction profiles and values of the reliability factors.

The lattice parameters of HAP (Table S1) were compared with the respective data available from literature. One will notice some spread in the values of the parameters reported by different authors

[5S, 6S, 9S]. In this study, the value of parameter  $a$  is larger and that of parameter  $b$  is smaller than those typically observed for  $[\text{Ca}_5(\text{PO}_4)_3(\text{OH})]_2$  hydroxyapatite [5S, 6S]. The ratios between the values of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  for HAP as well as the magnitude of the angle  $\gamma$  suggest that this composition is characterized by a higher degree of monoclinic distortion than other hydroxyapatites previously reported.

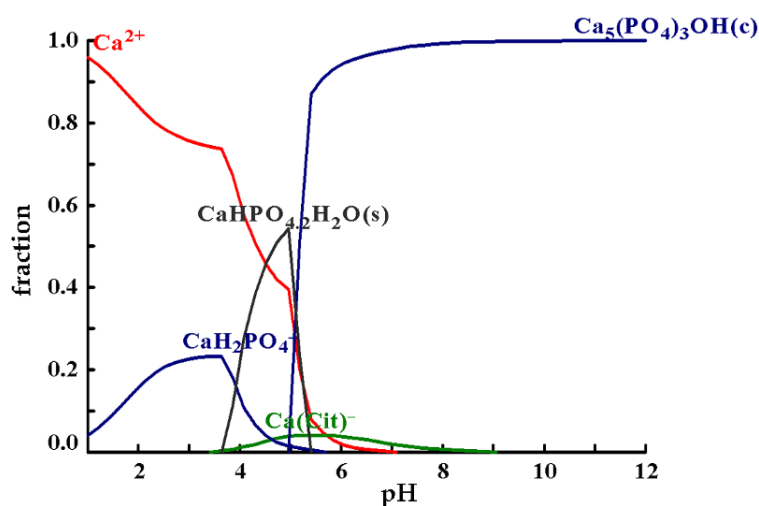


**Figure S2.** a) XRD patterns of HAP, HAP-Sal, and HAP-La(III) at room temperature. The main phases identified in the HAP-La(III) powder are also indicated. Inset: the diffractograms of HAP and HAP-Sal at the region of the (004) reflections. b) Observed ( $\circ$ ), calculated (solid line), and difference (below) profiles of the XRD data on HAP-Sal refined in space group  $P2_1/b$ . Vertical bars represent the calculated peak positions.

**Table S1.** The representative crystal structure parameters obtained from the refinement of the room-temperature XRD data for HAP and HAP-Sal.

composition	$a$ (Å)	$b$ (Å)	$c$ (Å)	$\gamma$ (°)
HAP	9.4426(9)	18.4788(19)	6.8815(5)	118.711(4)
HAP-Sal	9.4545(9)	18.4895(18)	6.8862(5)	118.714(4)

The modelling of ionic equilibria relative to  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  (Fig. S3) predicts initiation of HAP dissolution at pH 8, that is in good agreement with the release trend of organic inhibitors, see Fig 6.



**Figure S3.** Fraction of all  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$  containing ions depending on pH in solution that contains citrate and phosphate ions at the following concentrations:  $[\text{Ca}^{2+}] = 0.1\text{M}$ ,  $[\text{PO}_4^{3-}] = 0.06\text{M}$ ,  $[\text{Cit}^{3+}] = 0.005\text{M}$ . The diagram was made using Hydra/Medusa software [10S].

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