Self-assembled mesoporous zirconia and sulfated zirconia nanoparticles synthesized by triblock copolymer as template

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## **Supporting materials**

Calculation of particle size from XRD peak broadening

According to the Scherrer equation size of the crystallite,  $L_{hkl} = \frac{K\lambda}{\beta_{hkl}Cos\theta_{hkl}}$  Where;

β is the full width of the peak at half maximum intensity of a specific phase (hkl) in radian.

K is a constant that varies with the method of taking the breadth (0.89 < K < 1)

 $\lambda$  is the wavelength of incident x-rays.

 $\theta$  is the centre angle of the peak.

L is the crystallite length.

From Figure 5,  $2\theta = 30.260^{\circ} \theta = 15.130^{\circ} \cos (15.130) = 0.96532$ ,  $\beta = 0.0202$ 

Here,

$$2\theta = 30.260^{\circ}$$
,  $\theta = 15.130^{\circ}$ ,  $\lambda = 0.154$  nm, K = 0.9

$$Cos (15.130) = 0.9653, \beta = 0.0202$$

 $L_{hkl} = 7.1 \text{ nm}$