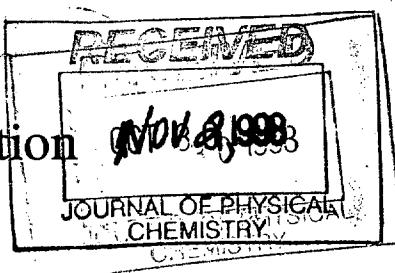
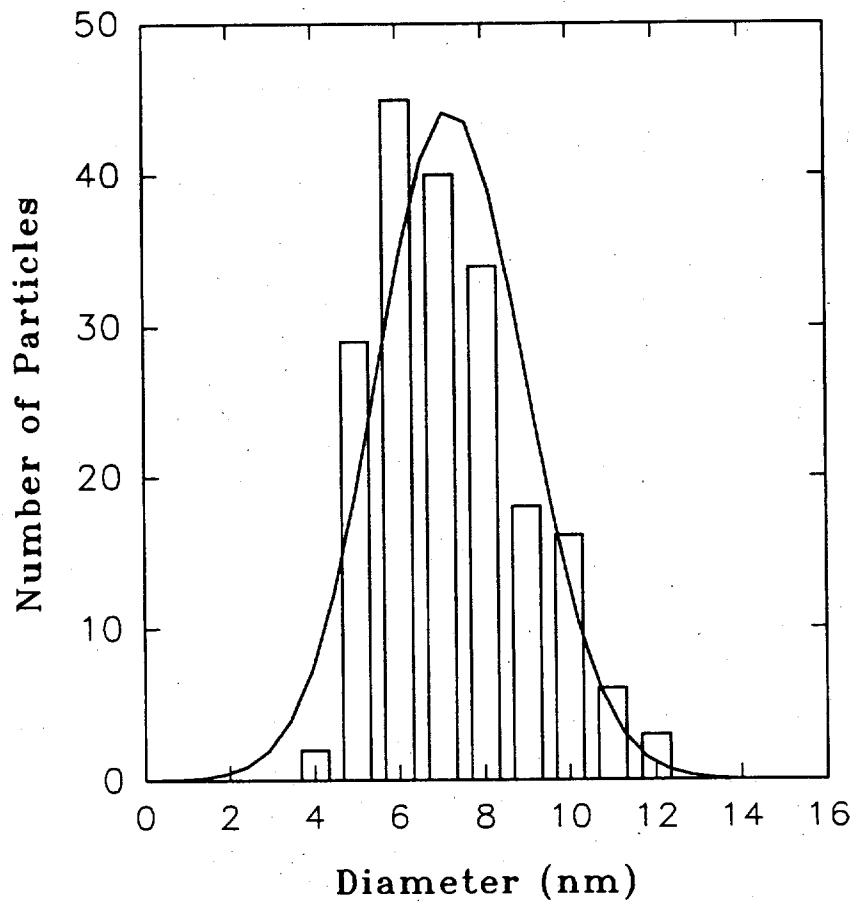


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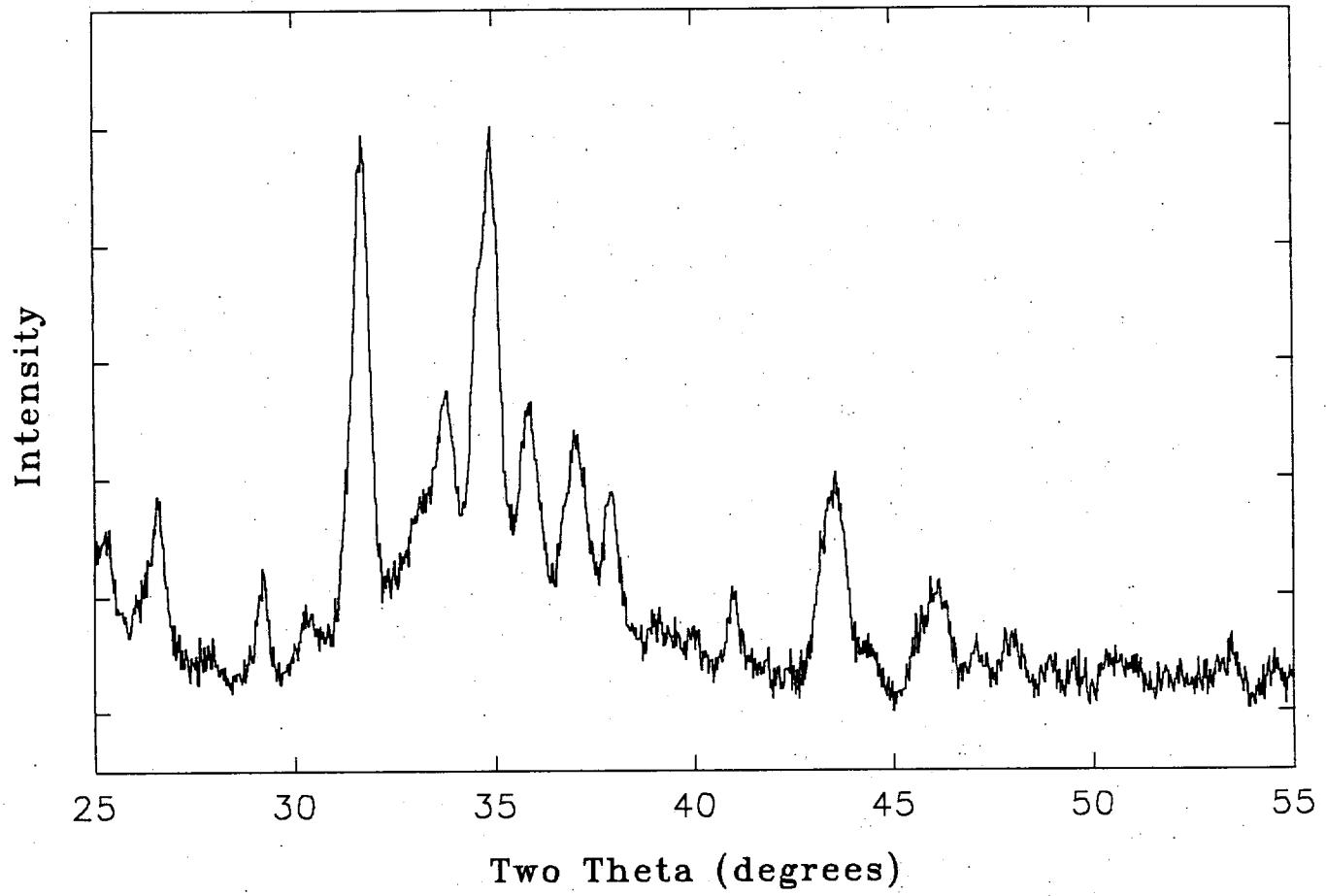
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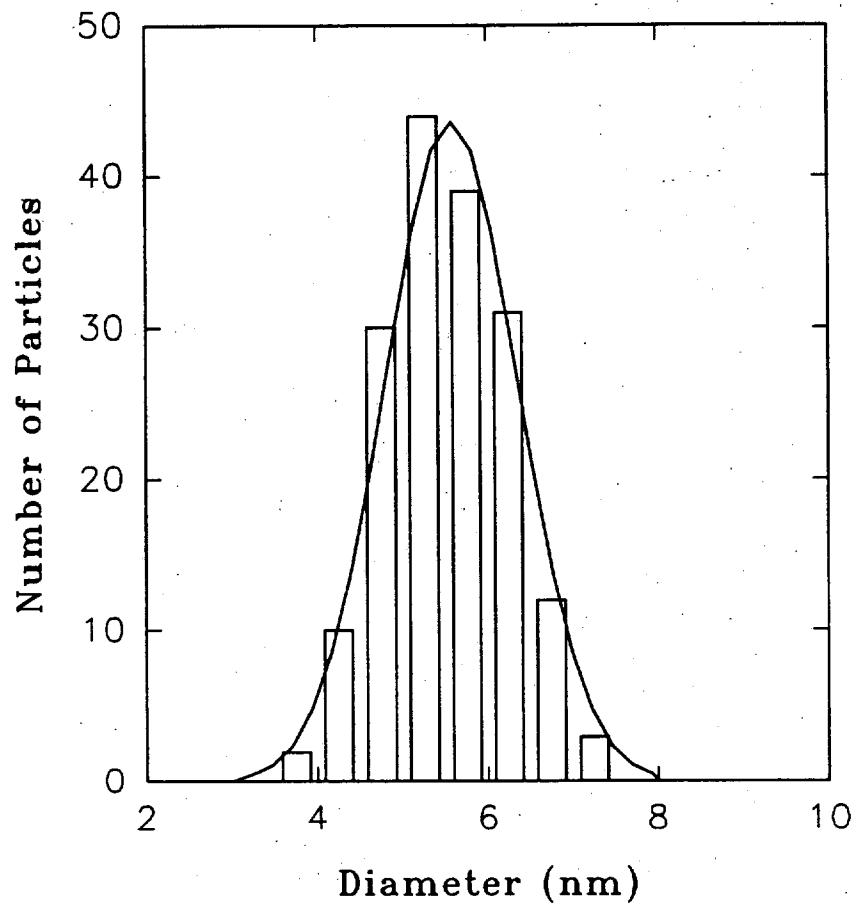
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- (2) Powder X-ray diffraction pattern of PVP polymer protected Ag₂S nanoparticles.
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- (4) Powder X-ray diffraction pattern of PVP polymer protected Ag metal nanoparticles.



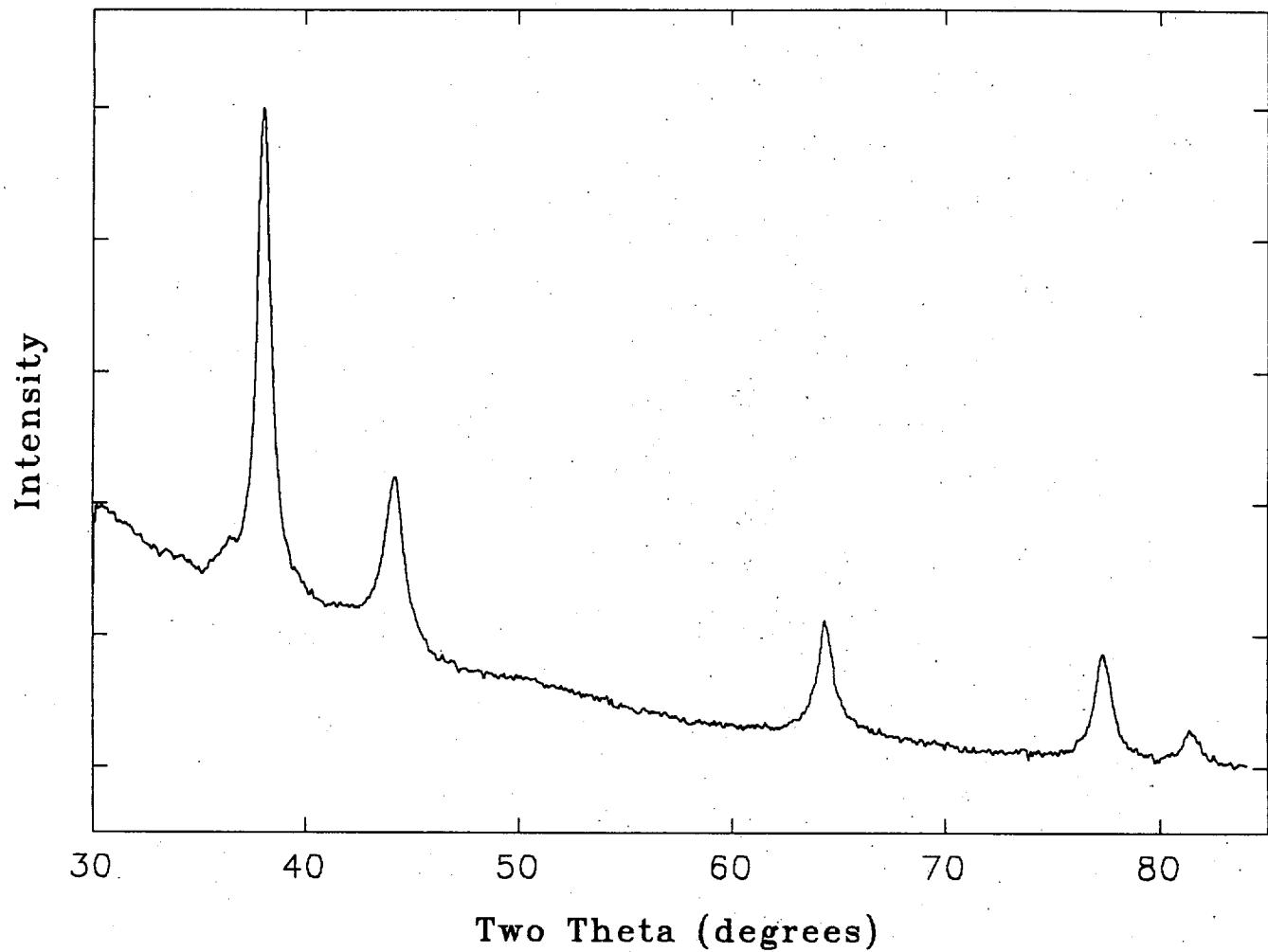
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