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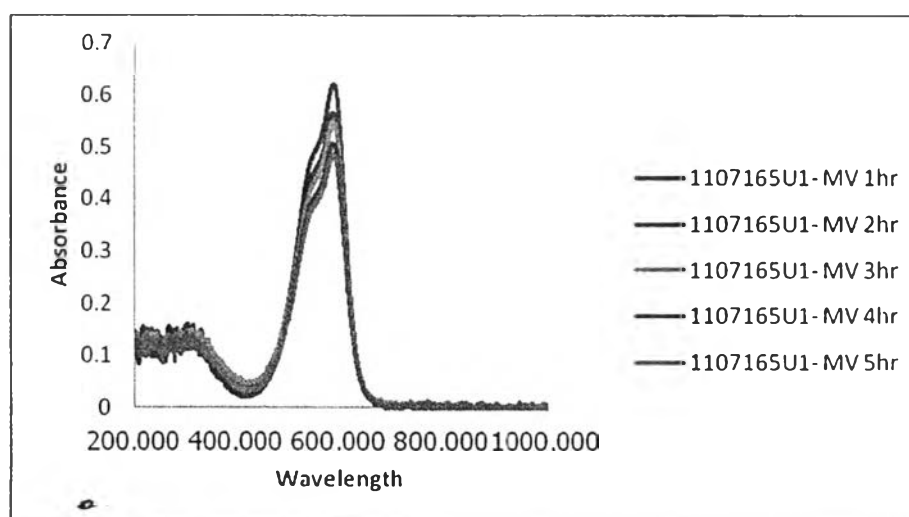
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## APPENDICES

**Appendix A** Absorbance of pure methyl violet (MV) under UV irradiation for 5 hours. The concentration of MV is 5 ppm.

**Table A1** The result from measurement the absorbance of pure MV under UV irradiation for 5 hours

Time (hrs)	0	1	2	3	4	5
Absorbance	0.608623	0.555232	0.536014	0.497331	0.475675	0.46782



**Figure A1** Show the absorbance of MV under UV irradiation for 5 hours

**APPENDIX B** Find the best condition to synthesize Cerium oxide ( $\text{CeO}_2$ ) followed by the photo-catalytic activity with MV under UV irradiation for 5 hours. The concentration of MV is 5 ppm.

There are various conditions to synthesize which are synthesized by stirring or sonication, quick added or drop wise of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  and Heat at 60 C or Room temperature. These ways to synthesize  $\text{CeO}_2$  will be shown in this appendix.

\*P.S. H = heat at 60 C, R = room temperature, Q = quick mixing, Slo = slow mixing, sonic. = sonication, S = stirring, 8 = pH 8.0

**Table B1** The absorbance of MV in the presence of  $\text{CeO}_2$  which synthesized by quick added and drop wise of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  at wavelength  $582.557 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

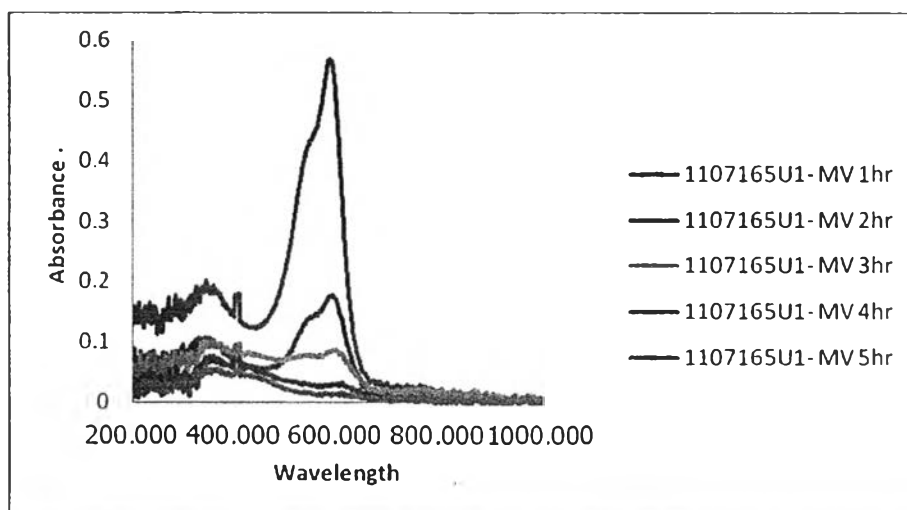
Condition	0	1	2	3	4	5
R,8,S,Slo	0.608623	0.509927	0.492066	0.447499	0.382762	0.361438
R,8,S,Q	0.608623	0.493401	0.19055	0.163753	0.028516	0.003107

**Table B2** The absorbance of MV in the presence of  $\text{CeO}_2$  which synthesized by sonicated and stirred condition at wavelength  $582.557 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

Condition	0	1	2	3	4	5
R,8,sonic,Q	0.608623	0.560393	0.398563	0.211754	0.142595	0.026056
R,8,S,Q	0.608623	0.493401	0.19055	0.163753	0.028516	0.003107

**Table B3** The absorbance of MV in the presence of  $\text{CeO}_2$  which synthesized at 60 C and room temperature at wavelength  $582.557 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

Condition	0	1	2	3	4	5
H,8,S,Q	0.608623	0.361998	0.267529	0.230512	0.161364	0.068694
R,8,S,Q	0.608623	0.493401	0.19055	0.163753	0.028516	0.003107



**Figure B1** Show the absorbance of CeO<sub>2</sub> synthesized by the best condition which is synthesized at room temperature, pH 8.0 and quick added Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> under stirred condition

**Appendix C** Compare the photo-catalytic activity between  $\text{Ce(OH)CO}_3$ ,  $\text{CeO}_2$  and also, compare to pure MV under UV irradiation for 5 hours

This part of experiment was used to confirm that  $\text{CeO}_2$  is the photo-catalyst not  $\text{Ce(OH)CO}_3$  or degradation of MV by itself.

**Table C1** Show the absorbance of MV in the presence of  $\text{Ce(OH)CO}_3$ ,  $\text{CeO}_2$  and also pure MV under UV irradiation for 5 hours at wavelength  $582.557 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

Substance	0	1	2	3	4	5
$\text{Ce(OH)CO}_3$	0.608623	0.555232	0.495869	0.481388	0.404118	0.397563
$\text{CeO}_2$	0.608623	0.493401	0.19055	0.163753	0.028516	0.003107
Pure MV	0.608623	0.555232	0.536014	0.497331	0.475675	0.46782

**Appendix D** Study on the charges at the surface of  $\text{Ce(OH)CO}_3$  and  $\text{CeO}_2$  at any pH

The charges at the surface of  $\text{Ce(OH)CO}_3$  and  $\text{CeO}_2$  was studied by using layer-by-layer technique. The glass slide will be prepared to be negative charge (6 layers) and positive charges (5 layers) by layer-by-layer technique. The primer will be dipped in the  $\text{Ce(OH)CO}_3$  and  $\text{CeO}_2$  which dispersed in the distilled water at pH 3-10.

**Table D1** Show the absorbance of primer dipped into the  $\text{Ce(OH)CO}_3$  at pH 3-10

pH	5	6	7	8	9	10
6 layers	0.056139	0.052126	0.060263	0.068056	0.075076	0.101478
5 layers	0.01815	0.031706	0.041672	0.044476	0.043935	0.036738

**Table D2** Show the absorbance of primer dipped into the  $\text{CeO}_2$  at pH 3-10

pH	Number of primers			
	5 layers	6 layers	SD 5 layers	SD 6 layers
3	0.110233	0.312076	0.040588	0.01968
4	0.147659	0.51617	0.051851	0.026242
5	0.304587	0.499408	0.126099	0.07452
6	0.293243	0.09459	0.0475	0.033157
7	0.128347	0.005467	0.034793	0.001278
8	0.139439	0.001165	0.011033	0.000578
9	0.120916	0.009429	0.004102	0.001111
10	0.128656	0.004858	0.000911	0.001045



**Appendix E** Show the effect of Ag nanoparticles on CeO<sub>2</sub>

The CeO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles were synthesized at the surface of Ag nanoparticles. Ag nanoparticles were synthesized by chemical reduction of AgNO<sub>3</sub> using COPSS and NaBH<sub>4</sub> as capping agent and reduced agent, respectively. The photo-catalytic activity of CeO<sub>2</sub> with Ag nanoparticles will be shown in appendix E.

**Table E1** Show the absorbance of MV in the presence of CeO<sub>2</sub> with Ag nanoparticles which synthesized by various concentrations of COPSS

Time (minutes)	Concentration of COPSS				Pure CeO <sub>2</sub>
	0.001 mM	0.005 mM	0.01 mM	0.05 mM	
0	1.154795	1.154795	1.154795	1.154795	1.154795
3	0.724211	0.693124	0.753318	0.705132	1.109679
5	0.699163	0.655183	0.741259	0.674934	1.084518
10	0.669382	0.650617	0.597784	0.624341	1.014098
20	0.668863	0.621737	0.516211	0.600853	0.875797
30	0.66825	0.587677	0.489824	0.559313	0.838016
60	0.631036	0.569543	0.458964	0.546586	0.832655
120	0.595987	0.5557	0.442541	0.489042	0.82099

**Table E2** Show the absorbance of MV after exposure to UV compare to the absorbance of MV before exposure to UV in the presence of CeO<sub>2</sub> with Ag nanoparticles synthesized by various concentrations of COPSS

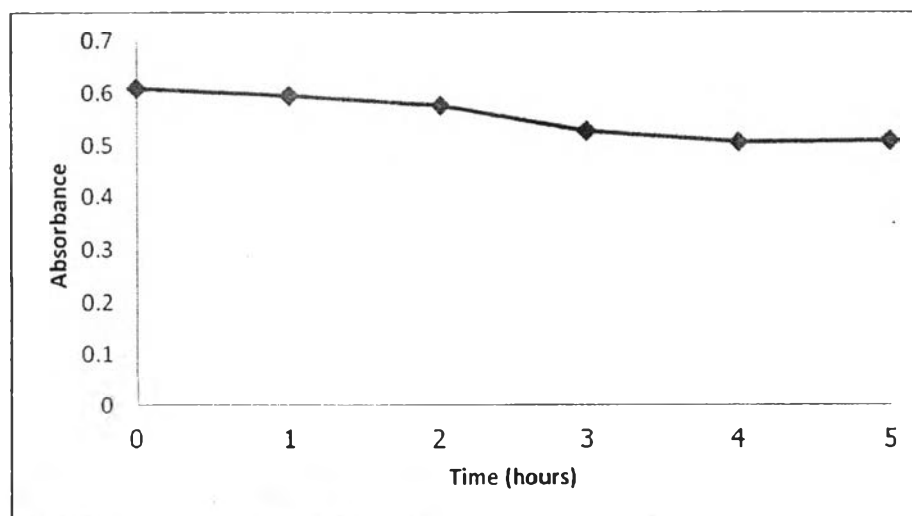
Time (minutes)	Concentration of COPSS				Pure CeO <sub>2</sub>
	0.001 mM	0.005 mM	0.01 mM	0.05 mM	
0	1	1	1	1	1
3	0.627134	0.600214	0.65234	0.610612	0.960932
5	0.605443	0.567359	0.641897	0.584463	0.939144
10	0.579654	0.563405	0.517654	0.540651	0.878163
20	0.579205	0.538396	0.447015	0.520312	0.7584
30	0.578674	0.508902	0.424166	0.484339	0.725684
60	0.546448	0.493198	0.397442	0.473318	0.721042
120	0.516097	0.481211	0.383221	0.423488	0.71094

**Table E3** Show the absorbance of MV in the presence of CeO<sub>2</sub> with Ag nanoparticles which synthesized by various concentrations of AgNO<sub>3</sub>

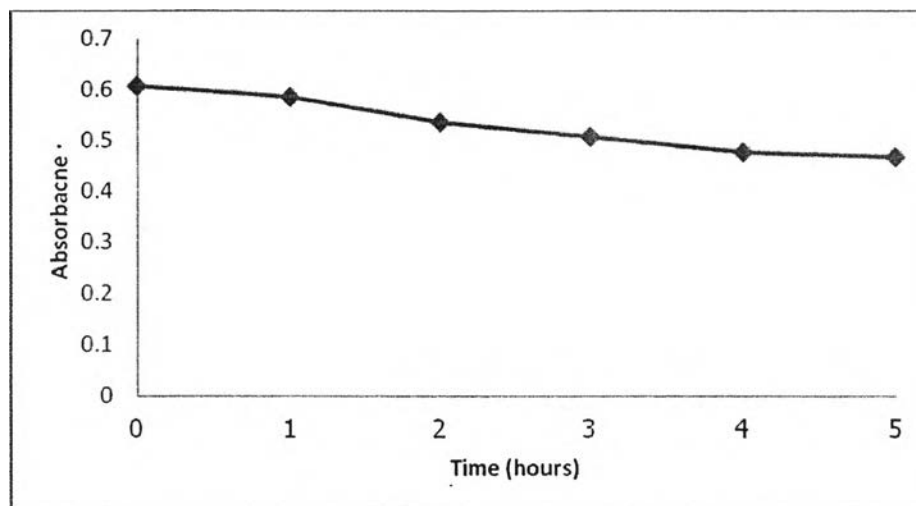
Time (minutes)	CeO <sub>2</sub> with various concentration of AgNO <sub>3</sub>				TiO <sub>2</sub>	CeO <sub>2</sub>
	5 mM	10 mM	1 mM	2 mM		
0	1.154795	1.154795	1.154795	1.154795	1.154795	1.154795
3	0.510163	0.622417	0.428171	0.524106	1.154561	1.109679
5	0.50939	0.576153	0.420825	0.501172	1.086929	1.084518
10	0.49048	0.562532	0.420447	0.464017	1.07269	1.014098
20	0.481897	0.545641	0.412081	0.452937	1.050339	0.875797
30	0.466113	0.507455	0.409408	0.452911	0.675412	0.838016
60	0.454636	0.490018	0.373557	0.433234	0.454029	0.832655
120	0.408141	0.484912	0.367135	0.410589	0.43888	0.82099

**Table E4** Show the absorbance of MV after exposure to UV compare to the absorbance of MV before exposure to UV in the presence of CeO<sub>2</sub> with Ag nanoparticles synthesized by various concentrations of AgNO<sub>3</sub>

Time (minutes)	CeO <sub>2</sub> with various concentration of AgNO <sub>3</sub>				Pure CeO <sub>2</sub>
	5 mM	10 mM	1 mM	2 mM	
0	1	1	1	1	1
3	0.441778	0.538985	0.370777	0.453852	0.960932
5	0.441109	0.498922	0.364415	0.433992	0.939144
10	0.424734	0.487127	0.364088	0.401817	0.878163
20	0.417301	0.472501	0.356843	0.392223	0.7584
30	0.403632	0.439433	0.354528	0.392201	0.725684
60	0.393694	0.424334	0.323483	0.375161	0.721042
120	0.353431	0.419912	0.317922	0.355551	0.71094



**Figure E1** Show the degradation of MV in the presence of pure Ag nanoparticles



**Figure E2** Show the degradation of MV in the presence of AgNO<sub>3</sub>

**Appendix F** Show the effect of polyelectrolytes on the synthesis of  $\text{CeO}_2$

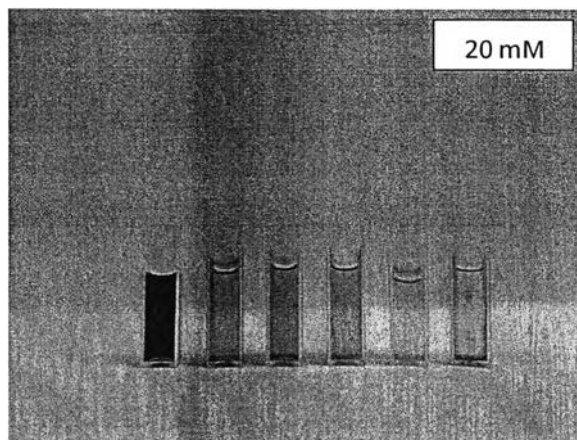
The polyelectrolytes which are PAA, PDADMAC, PSS and COPSS can improve the photo-catalytic activity of  $\text{CeO}_2$  due to they can control the size of  $\text{CeO}_2$ . The best condition and type of polyelectrolytes will be chosen followed by the photo-catalytic activity. The concentration of MV in this part is 10 ppm.

**Table F1** Show the absorbance of MV in the presence of  $\text{CeO}_2$  synthesized with PAA at any concentration

Time (hours)	Concentration				
	5 mM	10 mM	20 mM	30 mM	50 mM
0	0.611512	0.611512	0.611512	0.611512	0.611512
1	0.164595	0.151518	0.113112	0.156708	0.192873
2	0.125107	0.108419	0.105815	0.110471	0.168506
3	0.103101	0.105347	0.105883	0.108442	0.124876
4	0.091222	0.080199	0.069109	0.07722	0.101974
5	0.081137	0.079763	0.025215	0.054767	0.090455

**Table F2** Show the absorbance of MV after exposure to UV compare to the absorbance of MV before exposure to UV in the presence of  $\text{CeO}_2$  synthesized with PAA at any concentration

Time (hours)	Concentration				
	5 mM	10 mM	20 mM	30 mM	50 mM
0	1	1	1	1	1
1	0.26916	0.247776	0.184971	0.256263	0.315404
2	0.204587	0.177296	0.173038	0.180652	0.275556
3	0.1686	0.172272	0.17315	0.177334	0.204208
4	0.149174	0.131149	0.113013	0.126277	0.166757
5	0.132683	0.130436	0.041235	0.089559	0.14792



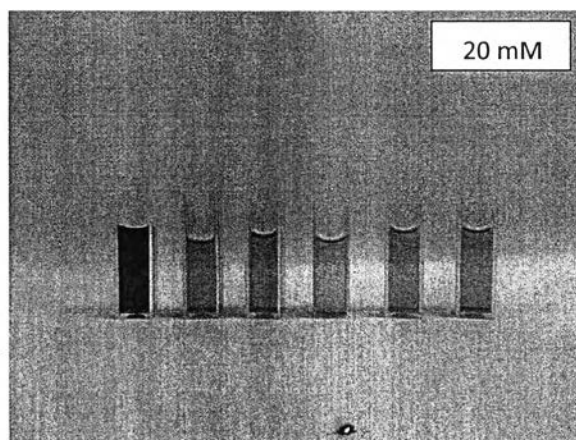
**Figure F1** Show the degradation of MV in the presence of  $\text{CeO}_2$  synthesized with PAA at any concentration and also showed the picture of best condition at 20 mM PAA

**Table F3** Show the absorbance of MV in the presence of  $\text{CeO}_2$  synthesized with PDADMAC at any concentration

Time (hours)	Concentration				
	5 mM	10 mM	20 mM	30 mM	50 mM
0	0.611512	0.611512	0.611512	0.611512	0.611512
1	0.155655	0.141036	0.144063	0.12306	0.157668
2	0.150666	0.122201	0.131143	0.108096	0.155225
3	0.146921	0.120589	0.112277	0.101259	0.144047
4	0.143568	0.119901	0.100094	0.104383	0.139748
5	0.110469	0.104129	0.099407	0.101881	0.137399

**Table F4** Show the absorbance of MV after exposure to UV compare to the absorbance of MV before exposure to UV in the presence of CeO<sub>2</sub> synthesized with PDADMAC at any concentration

Time (hours)	Concentration				
	5 mM	10 mM	20 mM	30 mM	50 mM
0	1	1	1	1	1
1	0.254542	0.230636	0.235584	0.201239	0.257833
2	0.246383	0.199835	0.214458	0.176769	0.253838
3	0.240258	0.197199	0.183606	0.165588	0.235559
4	0.234775	0.196073	0.163684	0.170697	0.228529
5	0.180649	0.170281	0.162559	0.166604	0.224687



**Figure F2** Show the degradation of MV in the presence of CeO<sub>2</sub> synthesized with PDADMAC at any concentration and also showed the picture of best condition at 20 mM PDADMAC

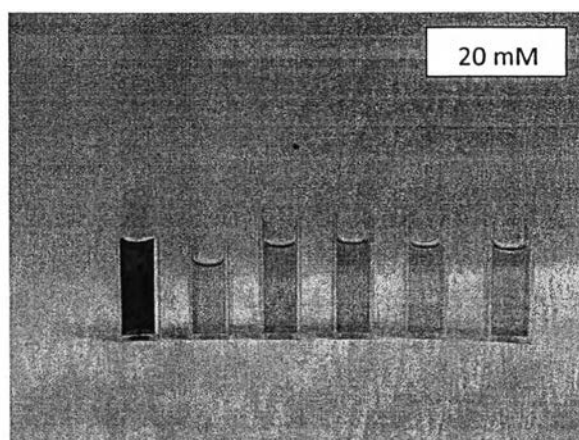
**Table F5** Show the absorbance of MV in the presence of CeO<sub>2</sub> synthesized with COPSS at any concentration

Time (hours)	Concentration				
	5 mM	10 mM	20 mM	30 mM	50 mM
0	0.611512	0.611512	0.611512	0.611512	0.611512
1	0.147197	0.116606	0.118694	0.150685	0.185996
2	0.112474	0.124634	0.103249	0.123467	0.139242
3	0.126564	0.110517	0.09149	0.113483	0.124585
4	0.114291	0.098832	0.086583	0.103779	0.130842
5	0.110214	0.083684	0.057837	0.103492	0.12865

**Table F6** Show the absorbance of MV after exposure to UV compare to the absorbance of MV before exposure to UV in the presence of CeO<sub>2</sub> synthesized with COPSS at any concentration

Time (hours)	Concentration				
	5 mM	10 mM	20 mM	30 mM	50 mM
0	1	1	1	1	1
1	0.24071	0.190685	0.194099	0.246414	0.304158
2	0.183928	0.203814	0.168843	0.201905	0.227701
3	0.206969	0.180727	0.149613	0.185578	0.203733
4	0.186898	0.16162	0.141589	0.169709	0.213964
5	0.180231	0.136848	0.09458	0.169239	0.210381





**Figure F3** Show the degradation of MV in the presence of  $\text{CeO}_2$  synthesized with COPSS at any concentration and also showed the picture of best condition at 20 mM COPSS

**Table F7** Compare the photo-catalytic activity of  $\text{CeO}_2$  synthesized by various types of 20 mM polyelectrolyte and also Ag nanoparticles

Time (minutes)	Types of polymer and metal					
	PDAD	PAA	COPSS	Pure $\text{CeO}_2$	PSS	Ce/Ag
0	1.154795	1.154795	1.154795	1.154795	1.154795	1.154795
3	1.010767	0.632478	0.774946	1.109679	0.842131	0.705132
5	0.918841	0.624028	0.70923	1.084518	0.805193	0.674934
10	0.874847	0.592389	0.709209	1.014098	0.763955	0.624341
20	0.87238	0.507306	0.689141	0.875797	0.731541	0.500853
30	0.862437	0.505201	0.62144	0.838016	0.717983	0.459313
60	0.85612	0.501391	0.589969	0.832655	0.631212	0.446586
120	0.805823	0.498545	0.552477	0.82099	0.628081	0.389042

**Table F8** Show the absorbance of MV after exposure to UV compare to the absorbance of MV before exposure to UV in the presence of CeO<sub>2</sub> synthesized with various types of polyelectrolytes and also Ag nanoparticles

Time (minutes)	Types of polymer and metal					
	PDAD	PAA	COPSS	Pure CeO <sub>2</sub>	PSS	Ce/Ag
0	1	1	1	1	1	1
3	0.875278	0.547697	0.671068	0.960932	0.729247	0.610612
5	0.795675	0.54038	0.614161	0.939144	0.697261	0.584463
10	0.757578	0.512982	0.614143	0.878163	0.66155	0.540651
20	0.755441	0.439304	0.596765	0.7584	0.633481	0.433716
30	0.746831	0.437481	0.538139	0.725684	0.621741	0.397744
60	0.741361	0.434182	0.510887	0.721042	0.546601	0.386723
120	0.697807	0.431717	0.47842	0.71094	0.54389	0.336893

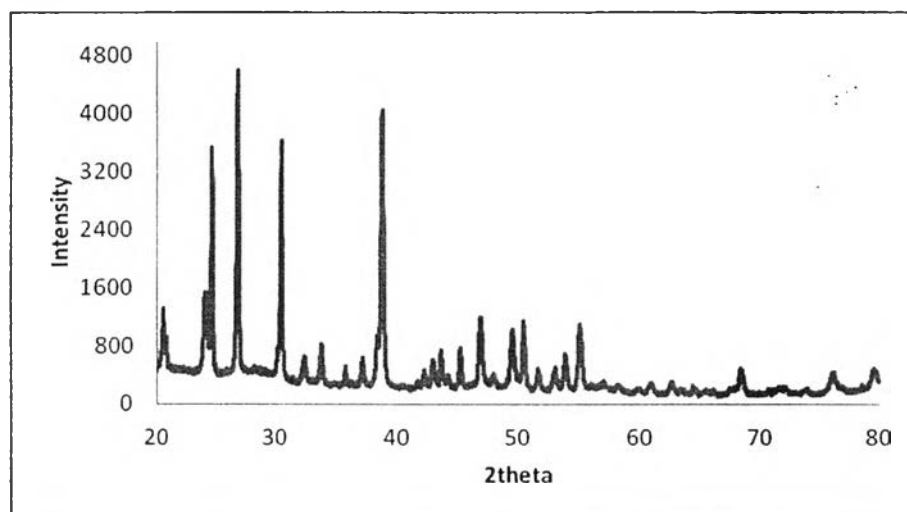
**Table F9** Show the absorbance at various concentration of MV in the presence of CeO<sub>2</sub> synthesized by using 20 mM PAA as capping agent

Time (minutes)	Concentration of MV		
	0.05g/L	0.025g/L	0.01 g/L
0	4	1.88666	1.154795
3	1.378196	0.66249	0.632478
5	0.92707	0.641136	0.624028
10	0.922331	0.631963	0.592389
20	0.905141	0.61867	0.507306
30	0.846616	0.602896	0.505201
60	0.830014	0.602647	0.501391
120	0.697494	0.59184	0.498545

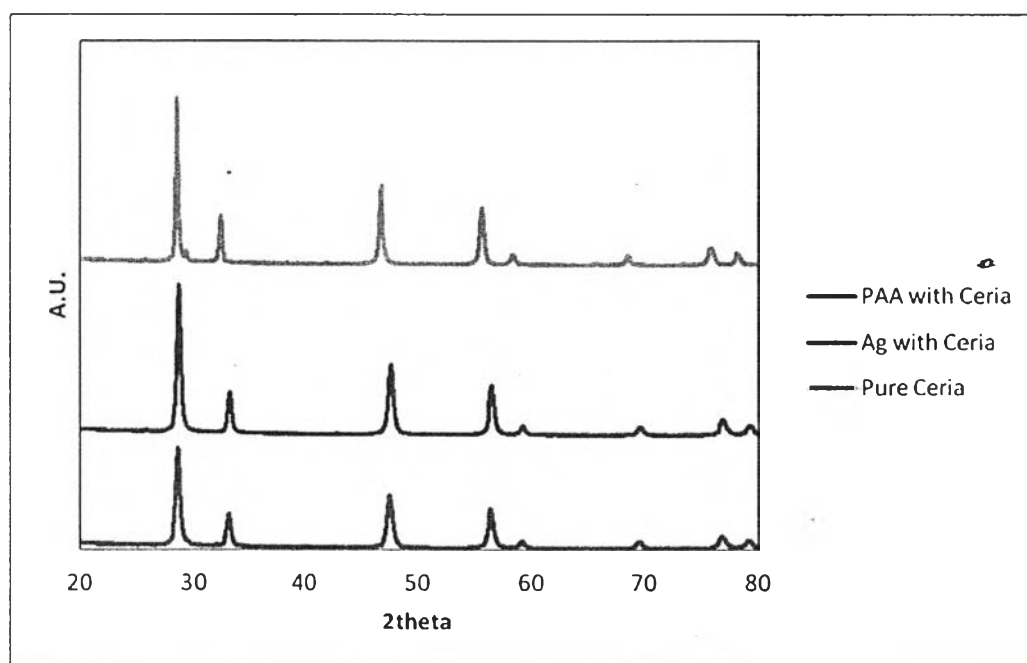
**Table F10** Show the absorbance at various concentrations of MV after exposure to UV compare to the absorbance of MV before exposure to UV in the presence of CeO<sub>2</sub> synthesized by 20 mM PAA

Time (minutes)	Concentration of MV		
	0.05g/L	0.025g/L	0.01 g/L
0	1	1	1
3	0.344549	0.351145	0.547697
5	0.231767	0.339826	0.54038
10	0.230583	0.334964	0.512982
20	0.226285	0.327918	0.439304
30	0.211654	0.319558	0.437481
60	0.207503	0.319425	0.434182
120	0.174374	0.313697	0.431717

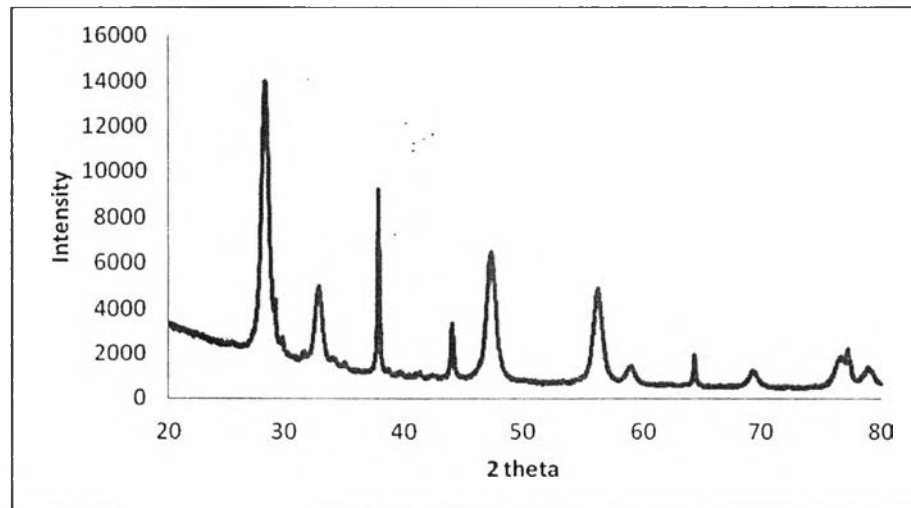
**Appendix G** Show the XRD graph of the photo-catalyst to confirm that the catalyst is  $\text{CeO}_2$  or  $\text{CeO}_2$  with Ag nanoparticles



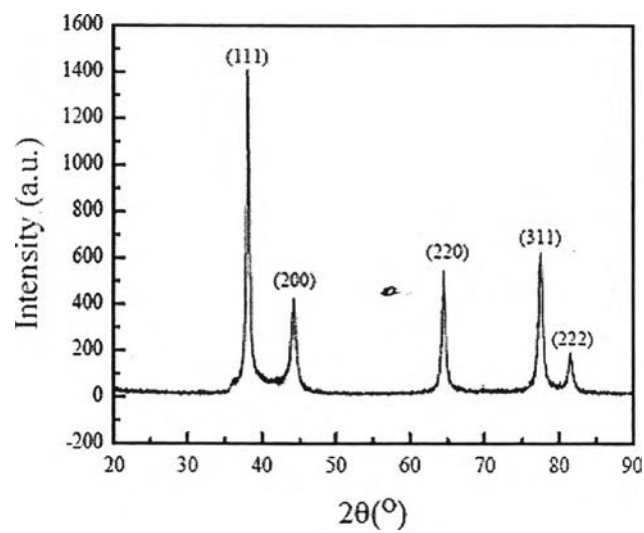
**Figure G1** Show the XRD graph of  $\text{Ce(OH)CO}_3$  before calcination



**Figure G2** Show the XRD graph of  $\text{CeO}_2$ ,  $\text{CeO}_2$  with Ag nanoparticles and  $\text{CeO}_2$  synthesized by using 20 mM PAA

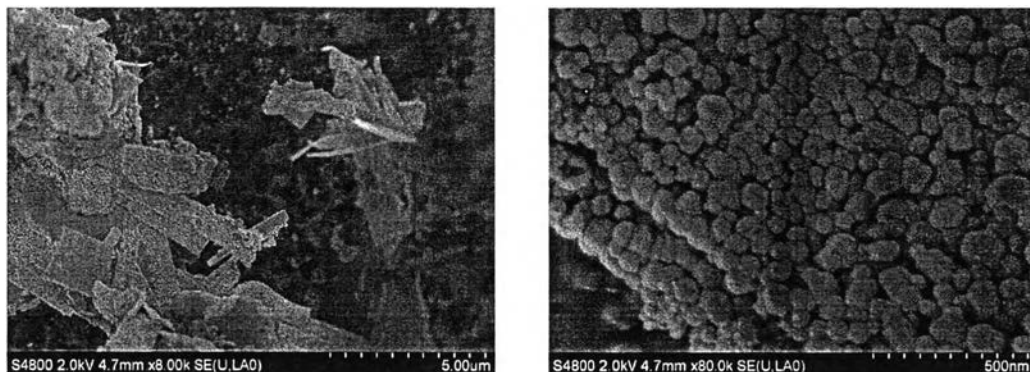


**Figure G3** Show the XRD graph of CeO<sub>2</sub> with Ag nanoparticles with ratio between CeO<sub>2</sub>:Ag nanoparticles is 1:1

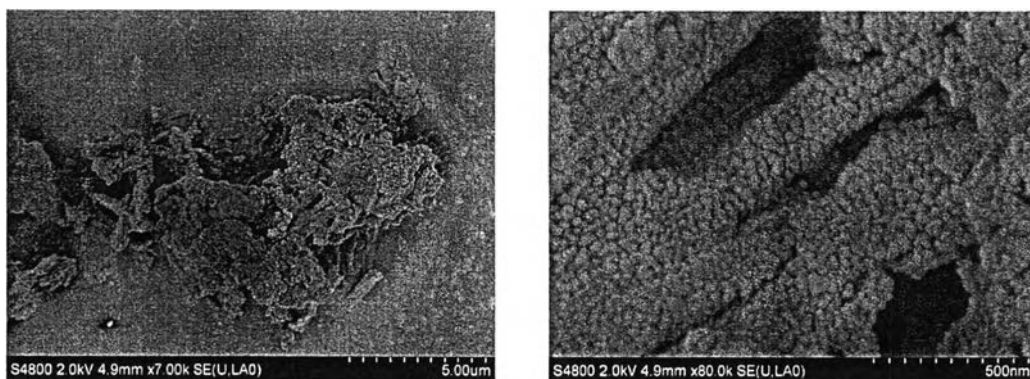


**Figure G4** Show the standard XRD graph of Ag nanoparticles (Wong, C.P., 2003)

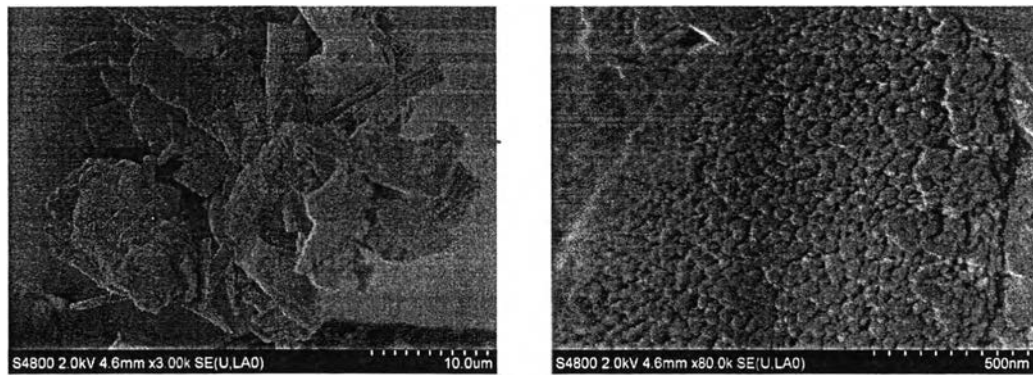
**Appendix H** Show the SEM image of photo-catalyst



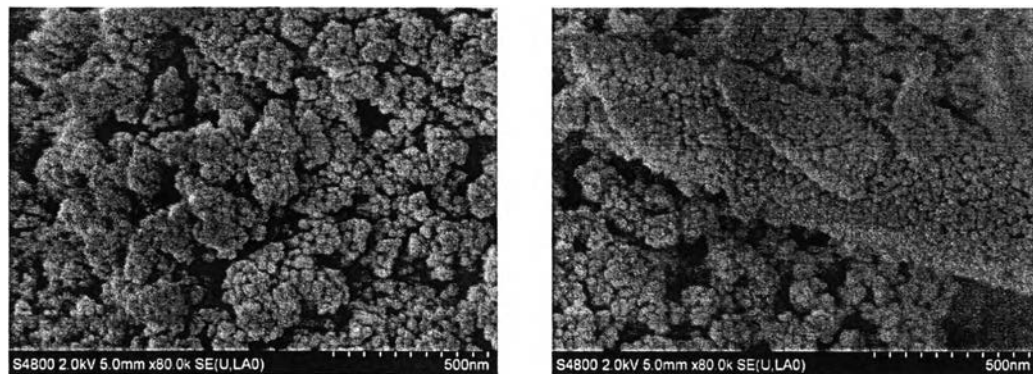
**Figure H1** Show the SEM image of pure  $\text{CeO}_2$  synthesized without polyelectrolytes at 8,000X and 80,000X



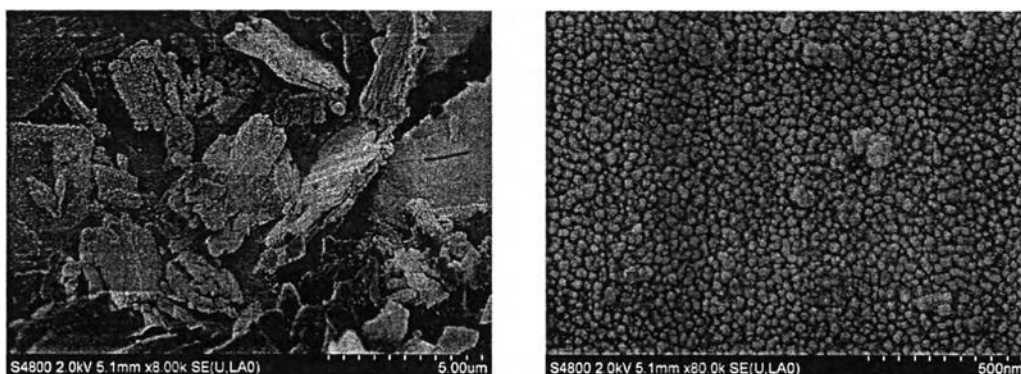
**Figure H2** Show the SEM image of pure  $\text{CeO}_2$  synthesized with PAA at 8,000X and 80,000X



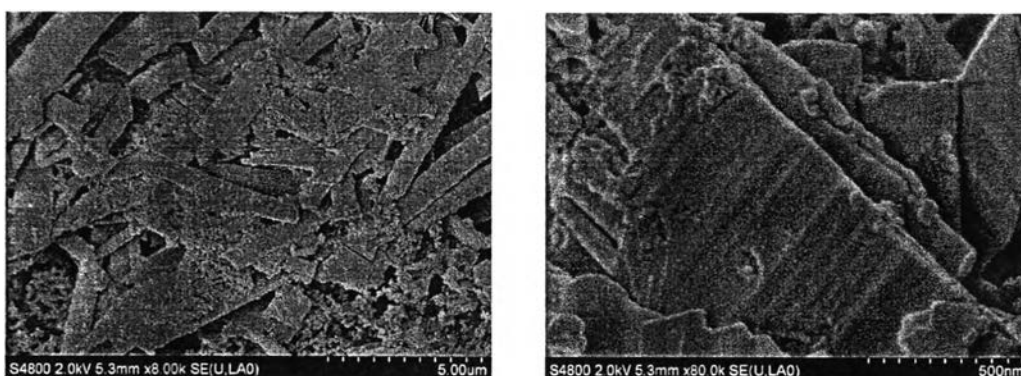
**Figure H3** Show the SEM image of pure CeO<sub>2</sub> synthesized with PDADMAC at 8,000X and 80,000X



**Figure H4** Show the SEM image of pure CeO<sub>2</sub> synthesized with COPSS at 8,000X and 80,000X

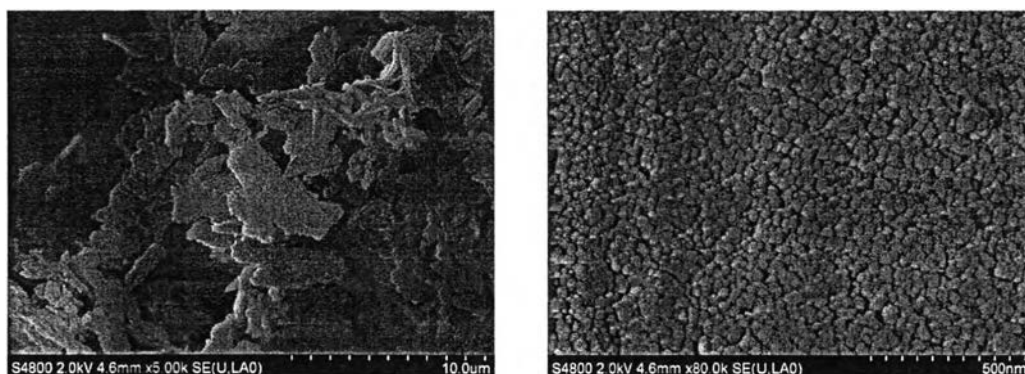


**Figure H5** Show the SEM image of pure  $\text{CeO}_2$  synthesized with PSS at 8,000X and 80,000X

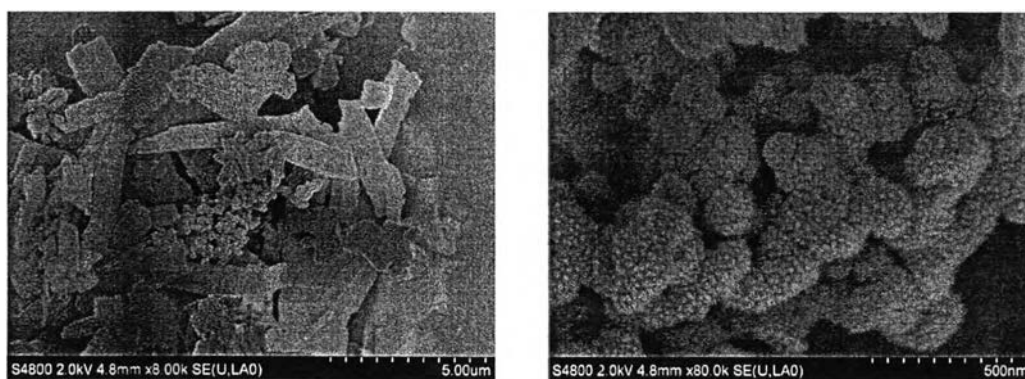


**Figure H6** Show the SEM image of  $\text{Ce(OH)CO}_3$  synthesized without polyelectrolytes at 8,000X and 80,000X

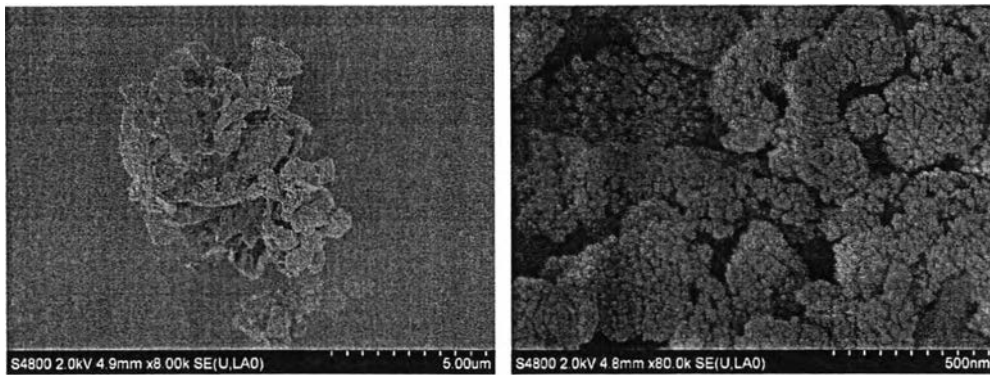




**Figure H7** Show the SEM image of  $\text{CeO}_2$  synthesized at the surface of Ag nanoparticles (1 mM  $\text{AgNO}_3$ ) at 8,000X and 80,000X



**Figure H8** Show the SEM image of  $\text{CeO}_2$  synthesized at the surface of Ag nanoparticles (5 mM  $\text{AgNO}_3$ ) at 8,000X and 80,000X



**Figure H9** Show the SEM image of CeO<sub>2</sub> synthesized at the surface of Ag nanoparticles (10 mM AgNO<sub>3</sub>) at 8,000X and 80,000X

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