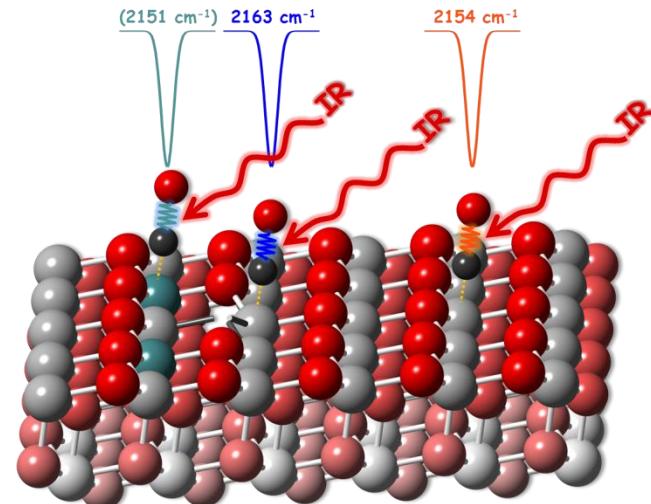
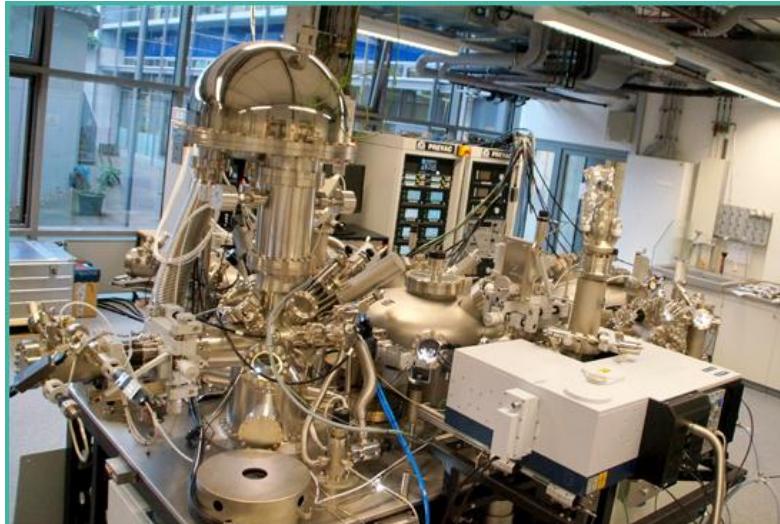


UHV-IR spectroscopy study of carbon monoxide adsorption on ceria single crystal surfaces

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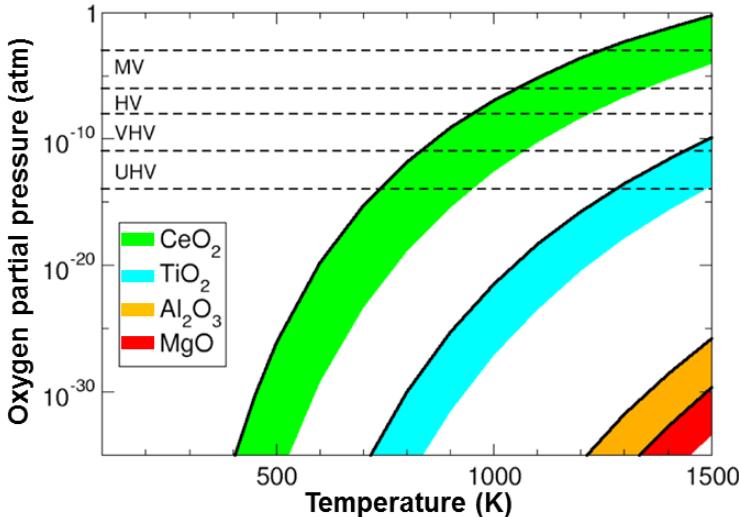
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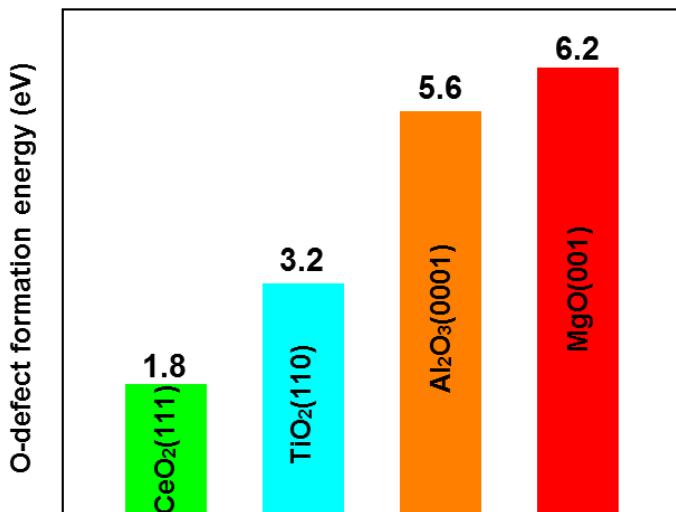
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$p(\text{O}_2)$ vs T phase diagram.



Calculated oxygen defect formation energy.

The left graphs are based on PBE+U(4.5) calculations for $\text{CeO}_2(111)$ and PBE calculations for $\text{TiO}_2(110)$, $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3(0001)$, and $\text{MgO}(001)$ surfaces.

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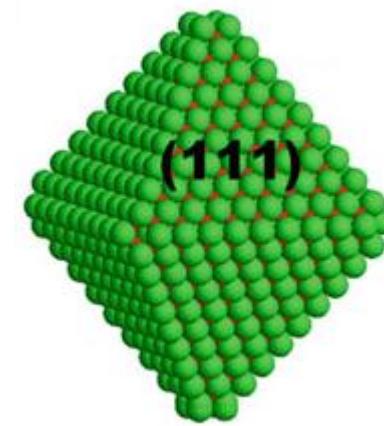
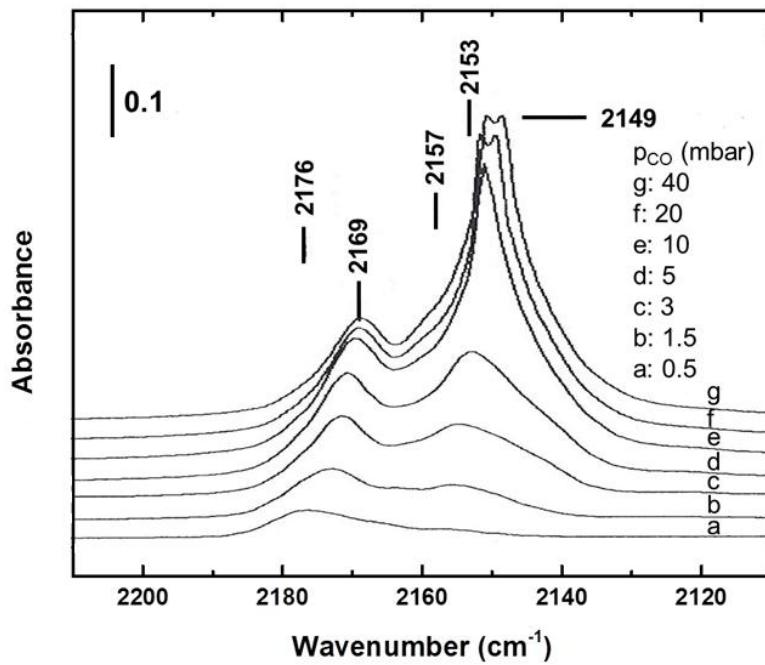
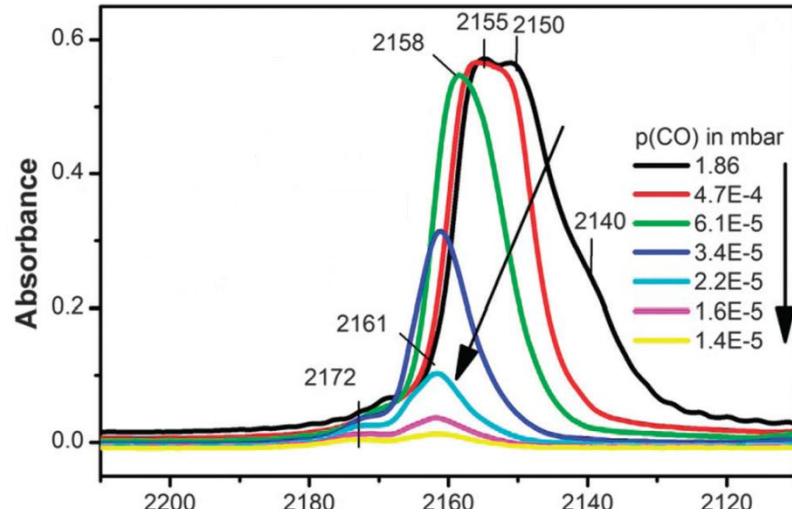
Stability and reducibility of ceria surfaces

Surface	Surface energy ($\text{J}\cdot\text{m}^{-2}$)	O-vacancy formation energy (eV)
(111)	0.68	2.60
(110)	1.01	1.99
(100)	1.41	2.27

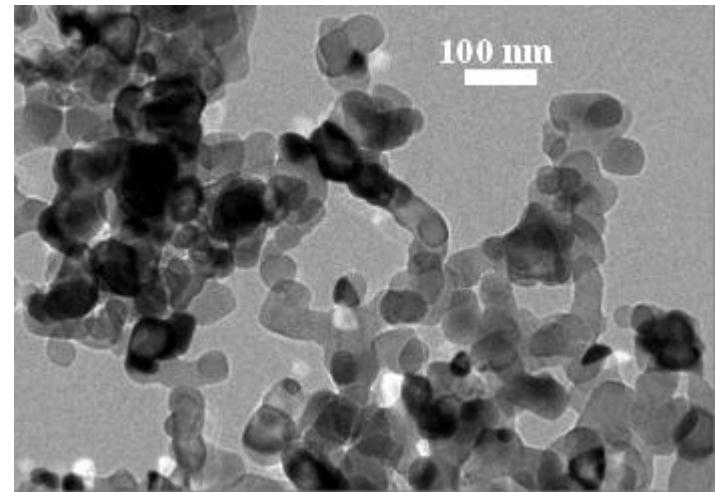
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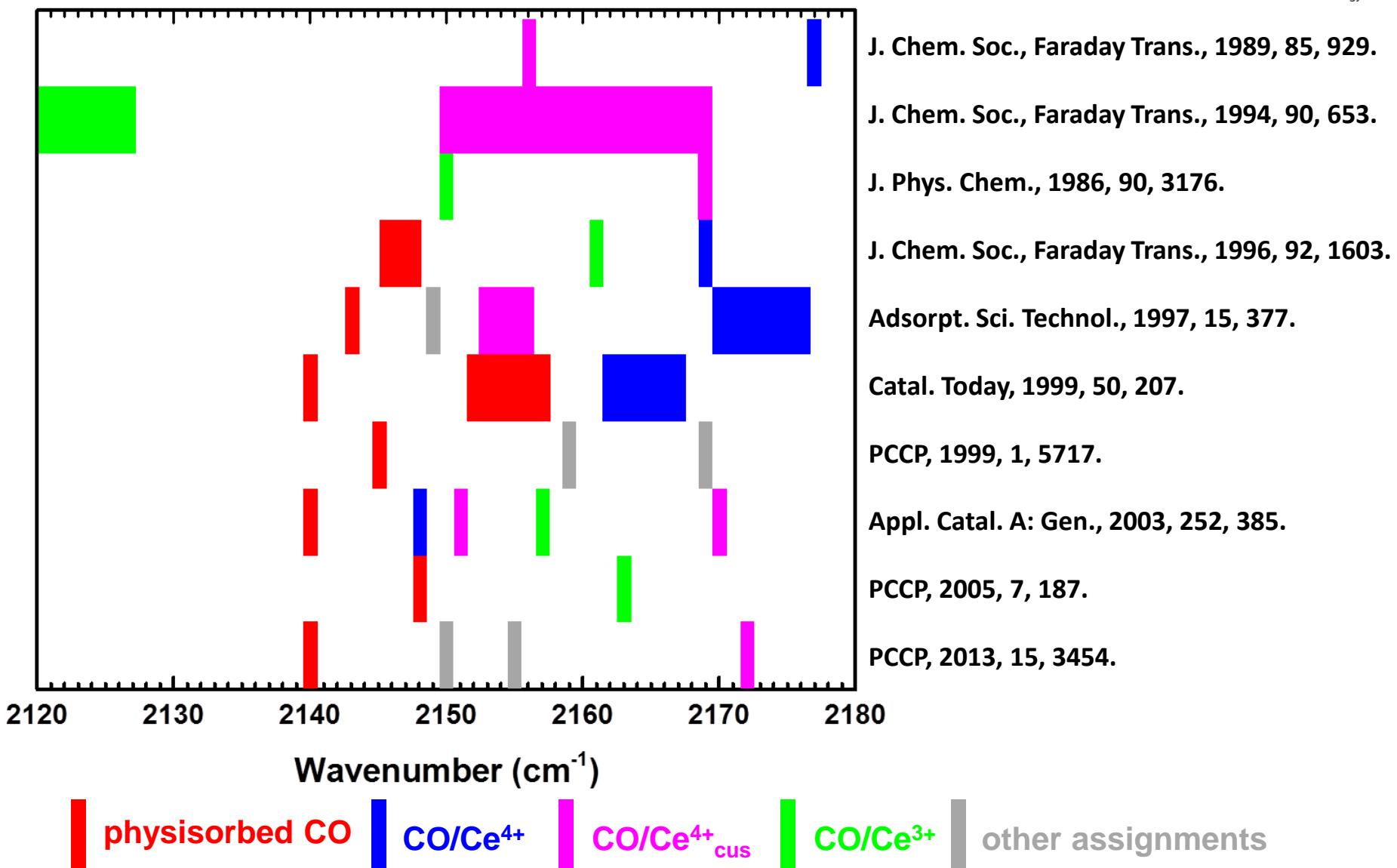
CO on ceria powders



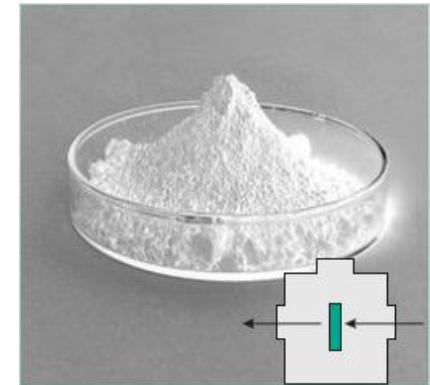
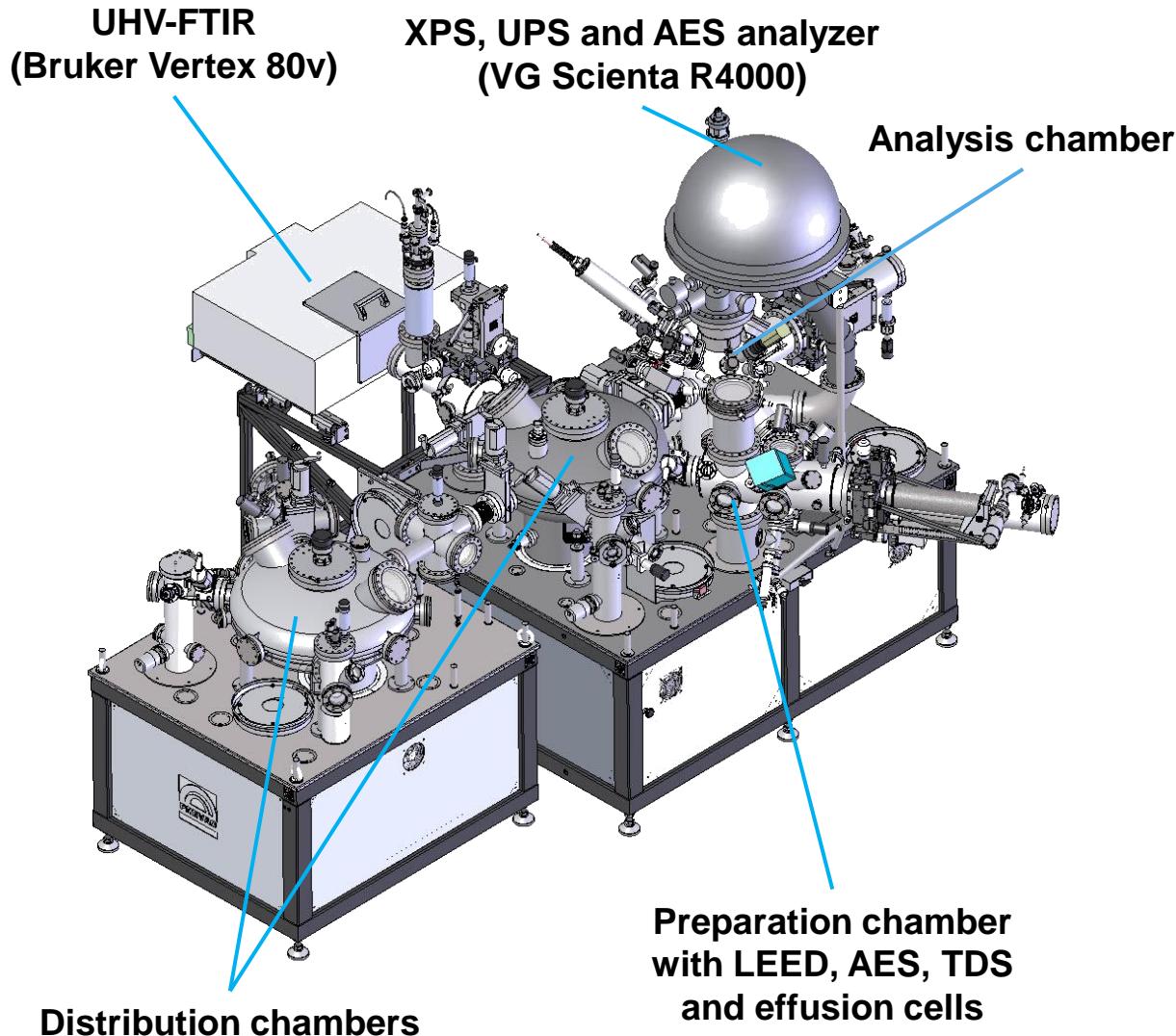
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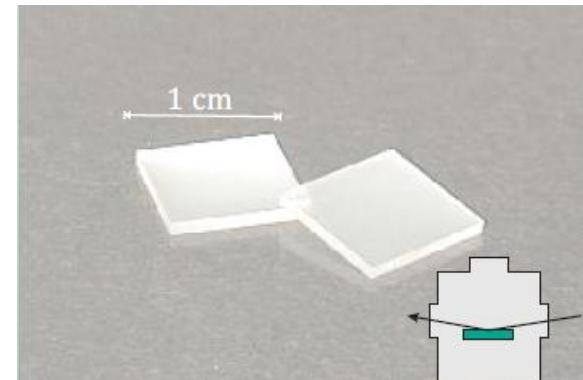
Assignments of CO bands of ceria powders



UHV-FTIR apparatus



Powder IR measurements
in transmission mode



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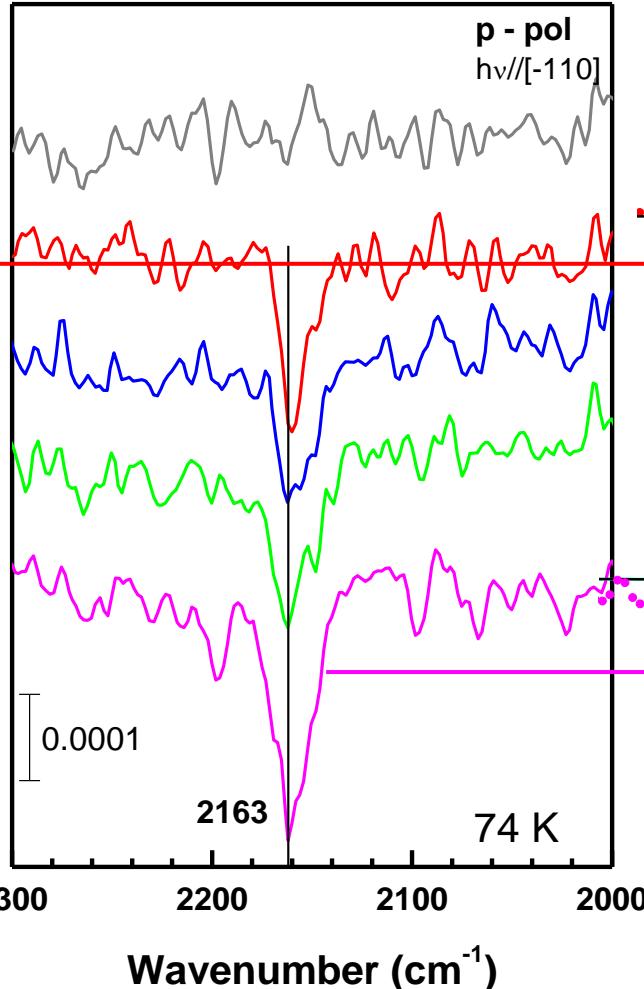
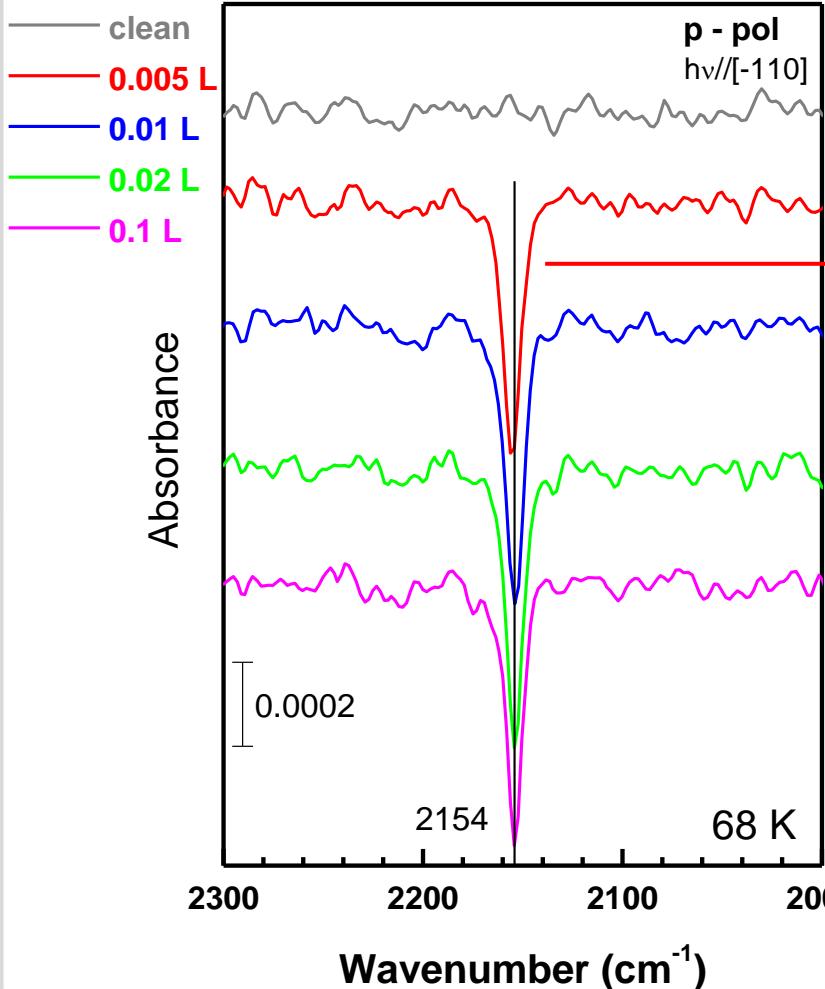
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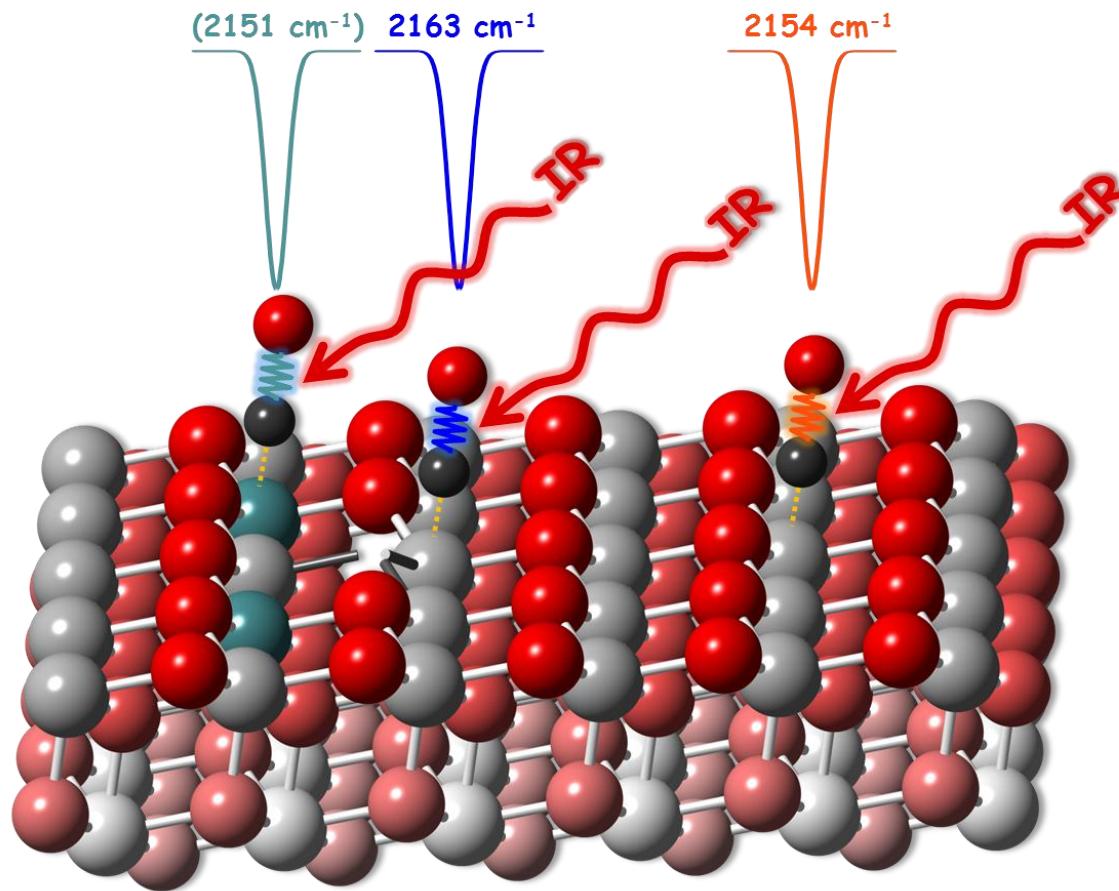
CO on single crystal CeO₂(111)

oxidized

reduced ($V_o \sim 10\%$)

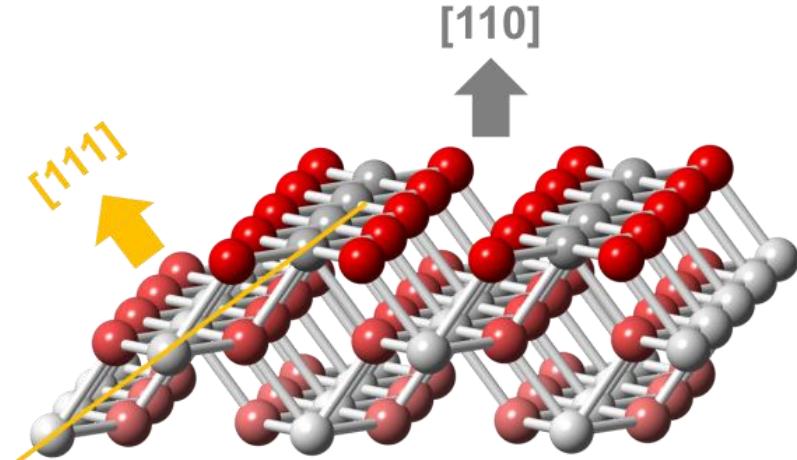
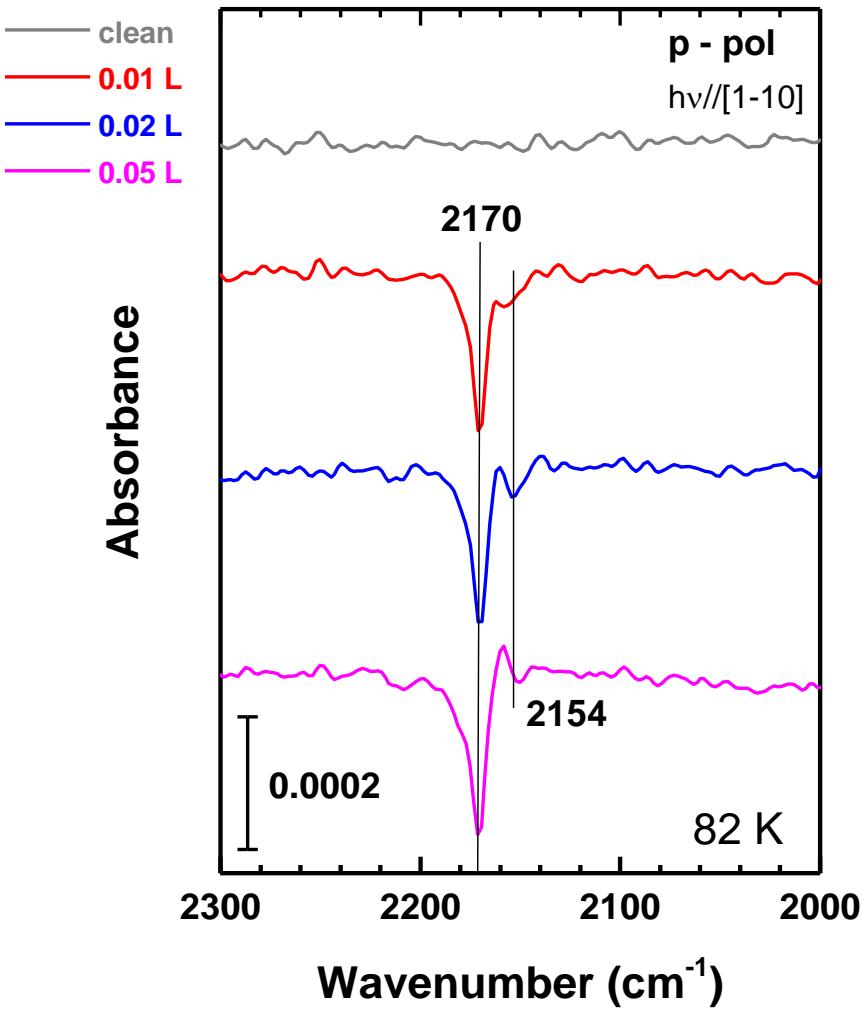


Assignment of CO bands on CeO₂(111) surface



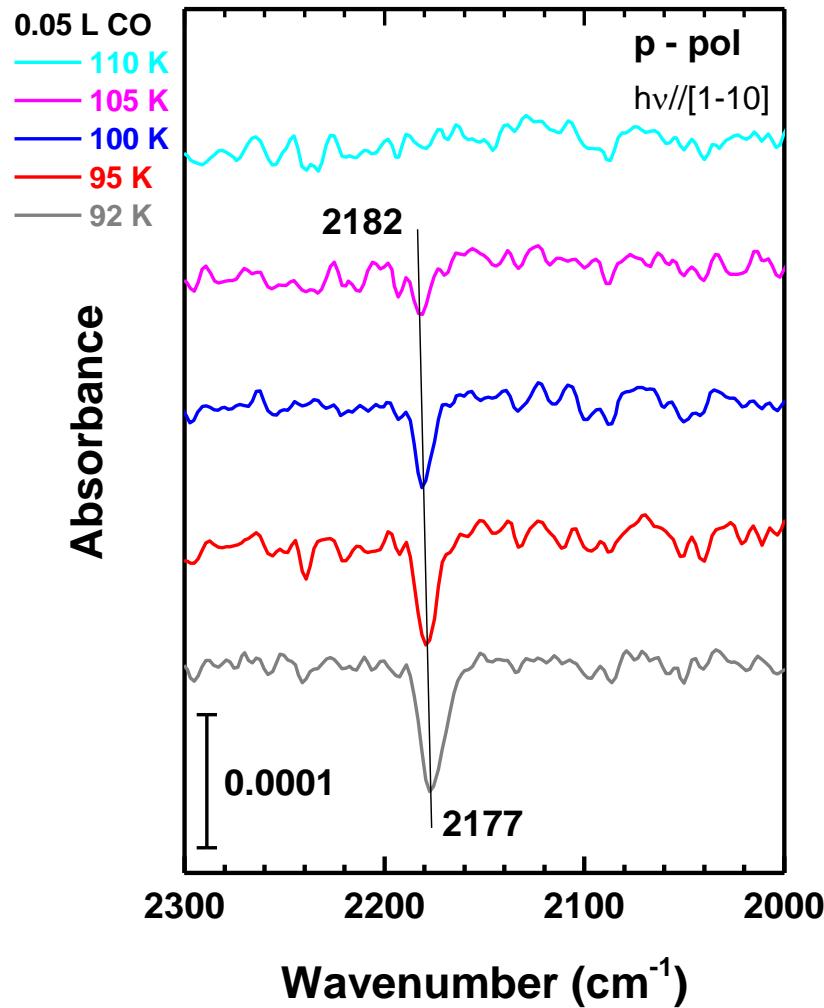
CO on oxidized single crystal CeO₂(110)

oxidized



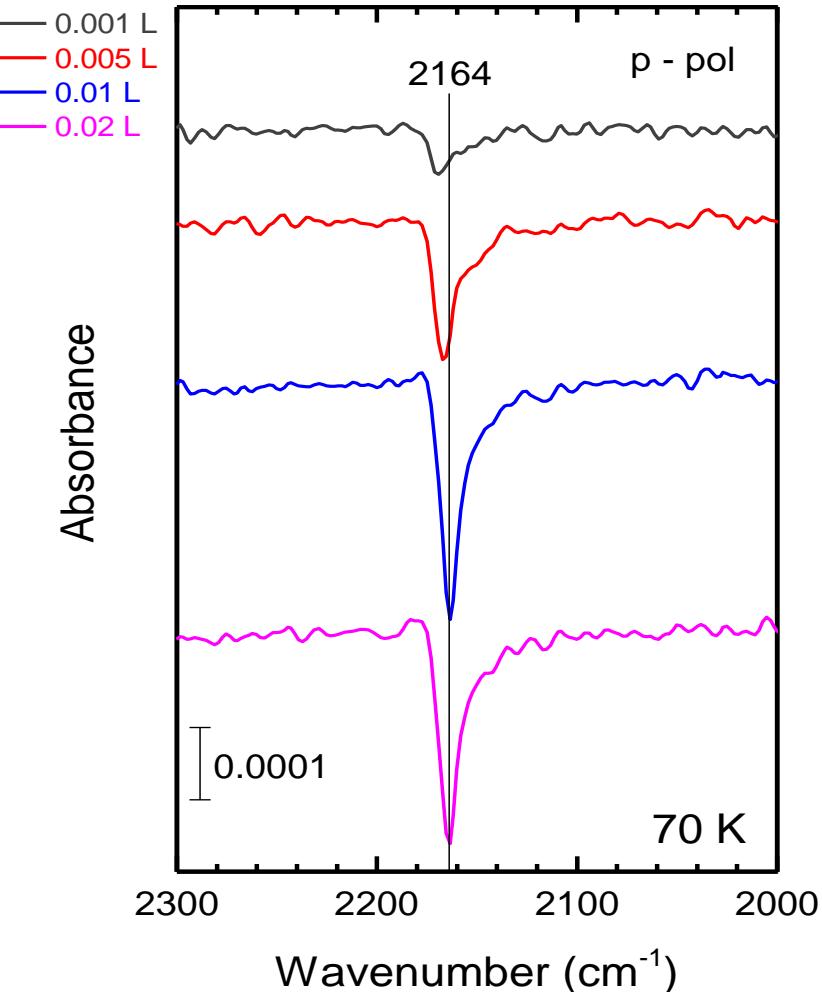
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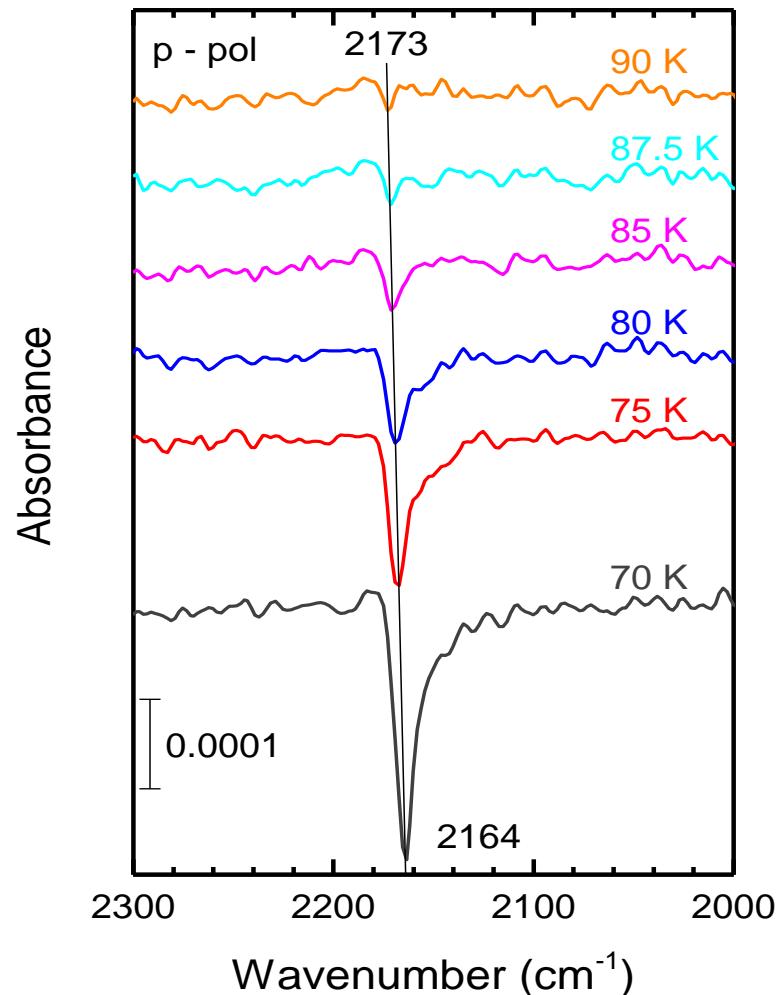


CO on reduced single crystal CeO₂(100)

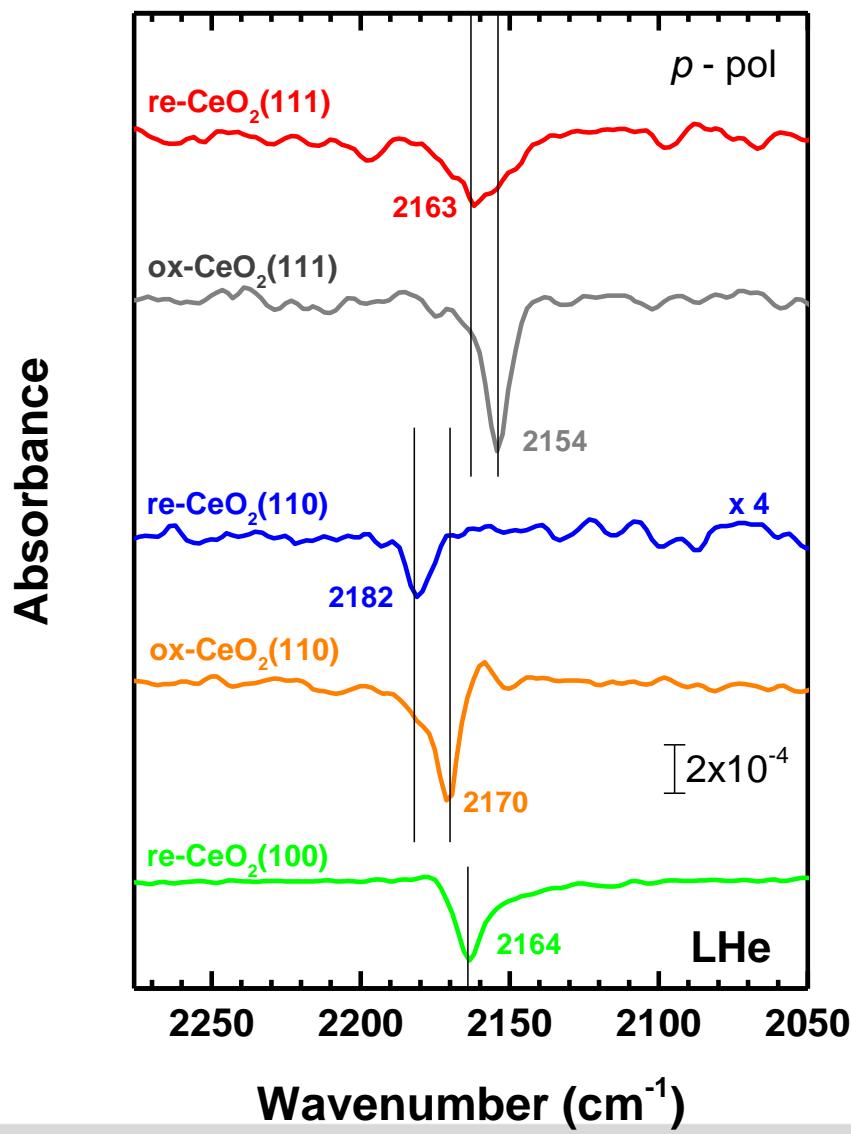
reduced



thermal desorption



Compilation of CO frequencies



Summary

1. Using CO as probe molecule, UHV-IRRAS can distinguish ceria surface orientations and probe oxygen vacancies.
2. Based on vibrational frequencies of CO adsorption on oxidized and reduced ceria single crystals, the controversial assignments of IR-bands of CO adsorption on ceria powders can be clarified.

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