## Synthesis of spherical mesoporous silica (I): MSU-X

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A spherical silica material with narrow particle size distribution, MSU-X, is prepared by the two-step synthesis process in which hydrolysis in a mild acidic condition and condensation initiated by  $\rm F^-$  ion is taking place independently. TEOS/surfactant ratio is 8 and NaF to TEOS is controlled to 2 mol %. The material prepared was characterized by X-ray diffraction(XRD), Scanning Electron Microscopy(SEM), Transmission Electron Microscopy(TEM), and  $\rm N_2$  adsorption.