

**VSV**

**VPI-7**

**Si(78), Zn(22)**

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**Type Material:**  $[\text{Na}^+_{26} \text{H}^+_6 (\text{H}_2\text{O})_{44}] [\text{Si}_{56} \text{Zn}_{16} \text{O}_{144}]$

**Method:** Y. Suzuki, T. Wakihara, S. Kohara, K. Itabashi, M. Ogura, T. Okubo [1]

**Batch Composition:**  $\text{SiO}_2 : 0.13 \text{ ZnO} : 0.42 \text{ Na}_2\text{O} : 44 \text{ H}_2\text{O}$

**Source Materials**

deionized water  
zinc oxide (99%, Prolabo)  
sodium hydroxide (97%, Sigma Aldrich)  
fumed silica Cab-O-Sil (Cabot Corp.)

**Batch Preparation**

[1.468 g NaOH + 0.44 g ZnO + 2.5 g  $\text{SiO}_2$  + 33 g  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ] mix in Teflon liner of a stainless steel autoclave

**Crystallization**

Vessel: Teflon-lined stainless steel autoclave  
Temperature: 175° C  
Time: 5 days  
Agitation: 20 rpm

**Product Recovery**

- (1) Dilute reaction mixture with water
- (2) Filter and wash with water
- (3) Dry at 80°C

**Product Characterization**

XRD: VSV  
Competing phase: no  
Crystal size and habit: truncated square bipyramidal morphology with dimension 1  $\mu\text{m}$

**Reference**

- [1] T. Wakihara, S. Kohara, K. Itabashi, M. Ogura, T. Okubo, J. Phys. Chem. C 115 (2011) 443