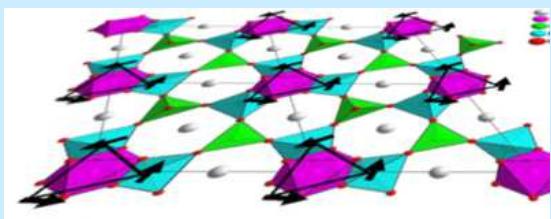


# Mixed anions (F, O, H, S) compounds: synthesis, structures and electronic, magnetic, optical properties

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$$E(q) = \alpha q + \beta q^2$$

**Mulliken-Jaffé (1935 – 1963)**

$$\chi(q) = \delta E(q)/\delta q = \alpha + 2\beta q$$

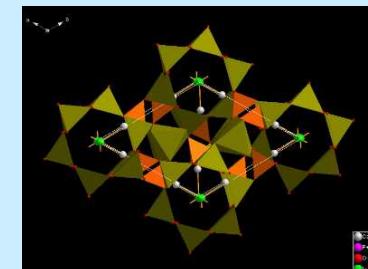
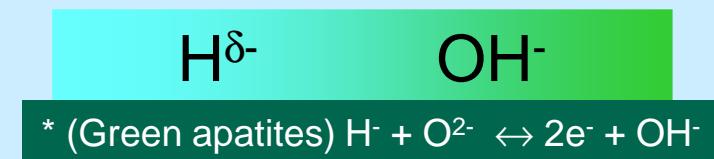
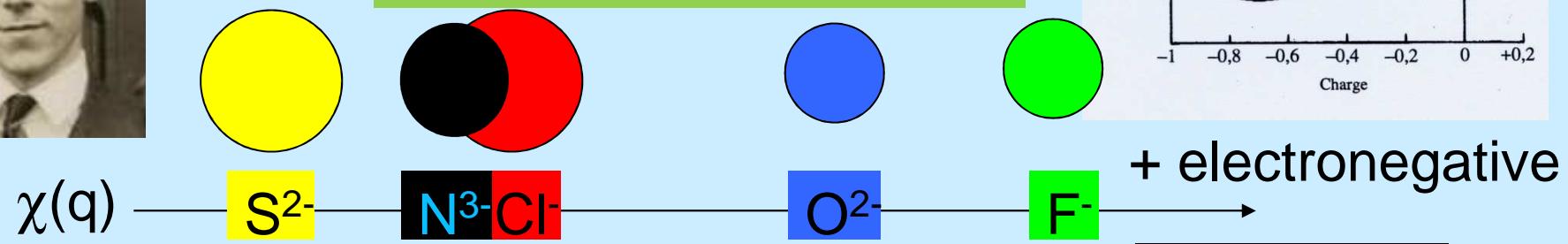
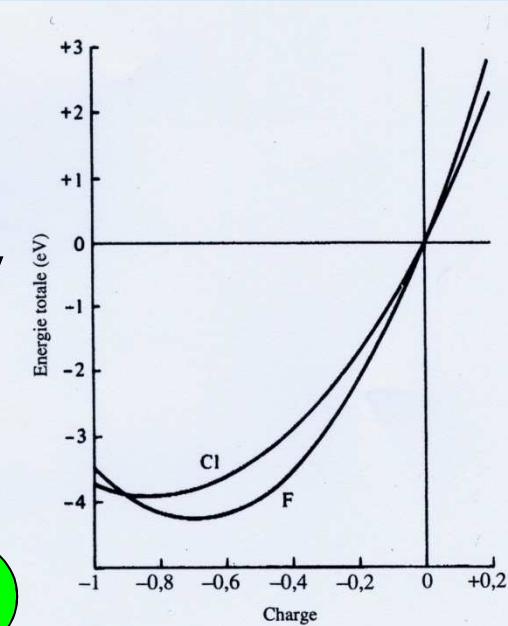
: Electronegativity

$$\eta = \delta^2 E(q)/\delta^2 q = 2\beta$$

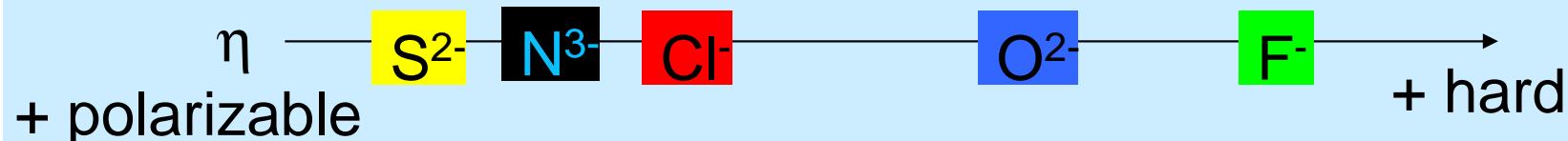
: Hardness= 1/Polarizability  
(Pearson)



## The anions $X^{p-}$



Apatite :  $Ca_5(PO_4)_3(F, OH, H)$

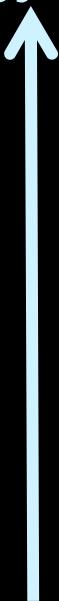


2,2 H			He
1 0,98 Li	1,57 Be		2 2,04 B
3 0,93 Na	1,31 Mg	1929 (Rules), 1954 (Nobel Prize), 1962 (Nobel peace prize)	6 2,55 C
11 0,82 K	1 Ca	7 3,04 N	8 3,44 O
19 20 0,82 Rb	1,36 Sc	9 3,98 F	9 Ne
21 22 0,95 Sr	1,54 Ti	10 2,04 B	10 2,58 S
23 24 1,22 Y	1,63 V	11 1,61 Al	11 3,16 Cl
25 26 1,33 Zr	1,66 Cr	12 1,9 Si	12 Ar
27 28 1,6 Nb	1,55 Mn	13 2,19 P	
29 30 2,16 Mo	1,83 Fe	14 2,55 S	
31 32 2,1 Tc	1,88 Co	15 2,18 Ge	
33 34 2,2 Ru	1,91 Ni	16 2,96 As	
35 36 1,93 Rh	1,9 Cu	17 2,55 Se	
37 38 1,69 Pd	1,65 Zn	18 2,96 Br	
39 40 1,78 Ag	1,81 Ga	19 2,66 Kr	
41 42 1,96 Cd	2,01 Ge	20 2,05 Sn	
43 44 2,05 In	2,18 As	21 2,1 Te	
45 46 1,96 Sb	2,1 Ge	22 2,66 I	
47 48 2,05 Cd	1,93 Ag	23 2,1 Te	
49 50 1,78 In	1,69 Cd	24 2,66 I	
51 52 1,96 Sn	1,78 In	25 2,05 Sb	
53 54 2,05 In	1,96 Sn	26 2,1 Te	
55 56 1,8 Tl	2,05 In	27 2,66 I	
57 58 1,8 Hg	1,9 Au	28 2,05 Sb	
59 60 1,8 Tl	1,9 Au	29 2,1 Te	
61 62 1,8 Hg	1,8 Tl	30 2,66 I	
63 64 1,2 Eu	1,8 Hg	31 2,05 Sb	
65 66 1,2 Gd	1,8 Tl	32 2,1 Te	
67 68 1,22 Dy	1,8 Hg	33 2,66 I	
69 70 1,24 Ho	1,22 Dy	34 2,05 Sb	
71 72 1,25 Er	1,24 Ho	35 2,1 Te	
73 74 1,1 Pt	1,25 Er	36 2,66 I	
75 76 1,1 Au	1,1 Pt	37 2,05 Sb	
77 78 1,2 Ir	1,1 Au	38 2,1 Te	
79 80 2,2 Os	1,2 Ir	39 2,66 I	
81 82 2,2 Pt	2,2 Os	40 2,05 Sb	
83 84 1,9 Hg	2,2 Pt	41 2,1 Te	
85 86 2 Po	1,9 Hg	42 2,66 I	
87 88 2,2 At	2 Po	43 2,05 Sb	
89 90 1,1 Rf	2,2 At	44 2,1 Te	
91 92 1,1 Db	1,1 Rf	45 2,66 I	
93 94 1,1 Sg	1,1 Db	46 2,05 Sb	
95 96 1,1 Bh	1,1 Sg	47 2,1 Te	
97 98 1,2 Hs	1,1 Bh	48 2,66 I	
99 100 1,2 Mt	1,2 Hs	49 2,05 Sb	
101 102 1,2 Ds	1,2 Mt	50 2,1 Te	
103 104 1,2 Rg	1,2 Ds	51 2,66 I	
105 106 1,2 Cn	1,2 Rg	52 2,05 Sb	
107 108 1,2 Cn	1,2 Cn	53 2,1 Te	
109 110 1,2 Tb	1,2 Cn	54 2,66 I	
111 112 1,2 Dy	1,2 Tb	55 2,05 Sb	
113 114 1,23 Ho	1,2 Dy	56 2,1 Te	
115 116 1,24 Er	1,23 Ho	57 2,66 I	
116 117 1,25 Tm	1,24 Er	58 2,05 Sb	
117 118 1,1 Yb	1,25 Tm	59 2,1 Te	
118 119 1,27 Lu	1,1 Yb	60 2,66 I	
119 120 1,3 Th	1,27 Lu	61 2,05 Sb	
121 122 1,5 Pa	1,3 Th	62 2,1 Te	
123 124 1,7 U	1,5 Pa	63 2,66 I	
125 126 1,3 Np	1,7 U	64 2,05 Sb	
127 128 1,3 Pu	1,3 Np	65 2,1 Te	
129 130 1,3 Am	1,3 Pu	66 2,66 I	
131 132 1,3 Cm	1,3 Am	67 2,05 Sb	
133 134 1,3 Bk	1,3 Cm	68 2,1 Te	
135 136 1,3 Cf	1,3 Bk	69 2,66 I	
137 138 1,3 Es	1,3 Cf	70 2,05 Sb	
139 140 1,3 Fm	1,3 Es	71 2,1 Te	
141 142 1,3 Md	1,3 Fm	72 2,66 I	
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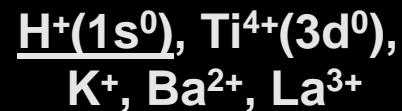
## Hard-Soft Acid-Base (HSAB) theory Ralph Pearson (1960)



*Energy*



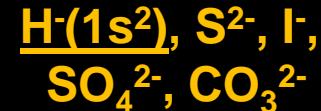
Hard acid :



Soft acid :



Soft base :



Hard base :

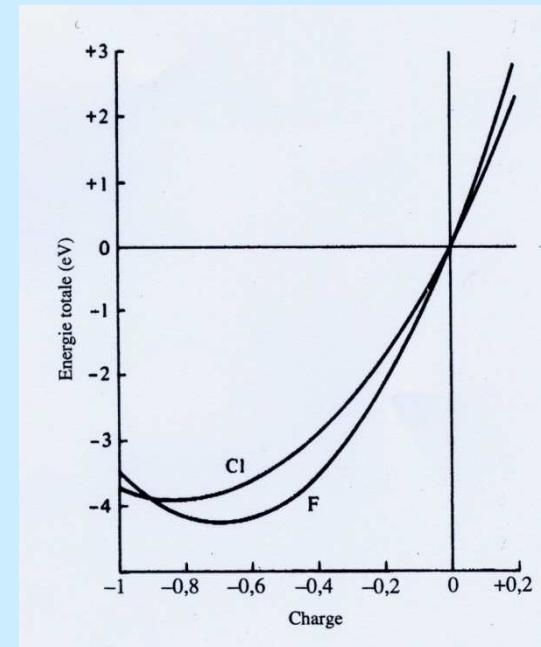
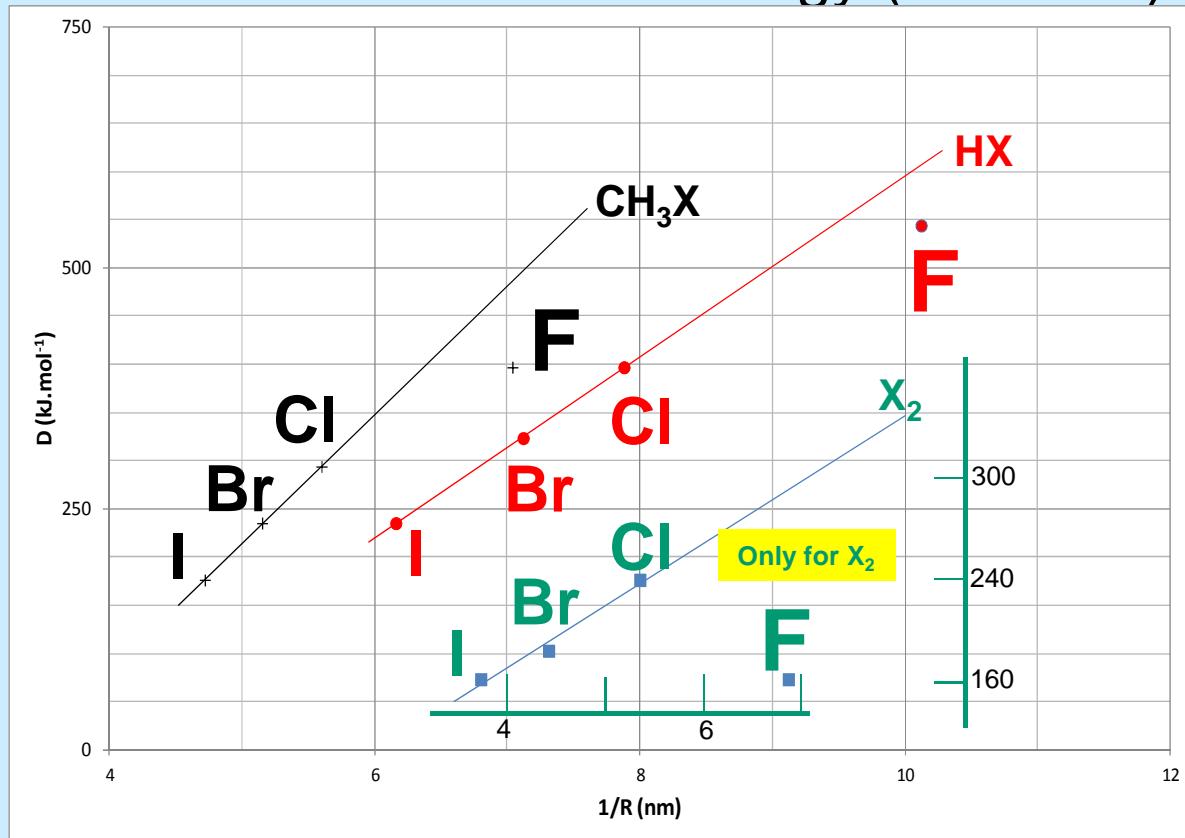


Hard-Hard or Soft-Soft AB react faster leading to stronger bonds !

# Fluorine, a super-halogen !

## The anomalous properties of Fluorine

Bond-Dissociation Energy (kJ.mol<sup>-1</sup>)



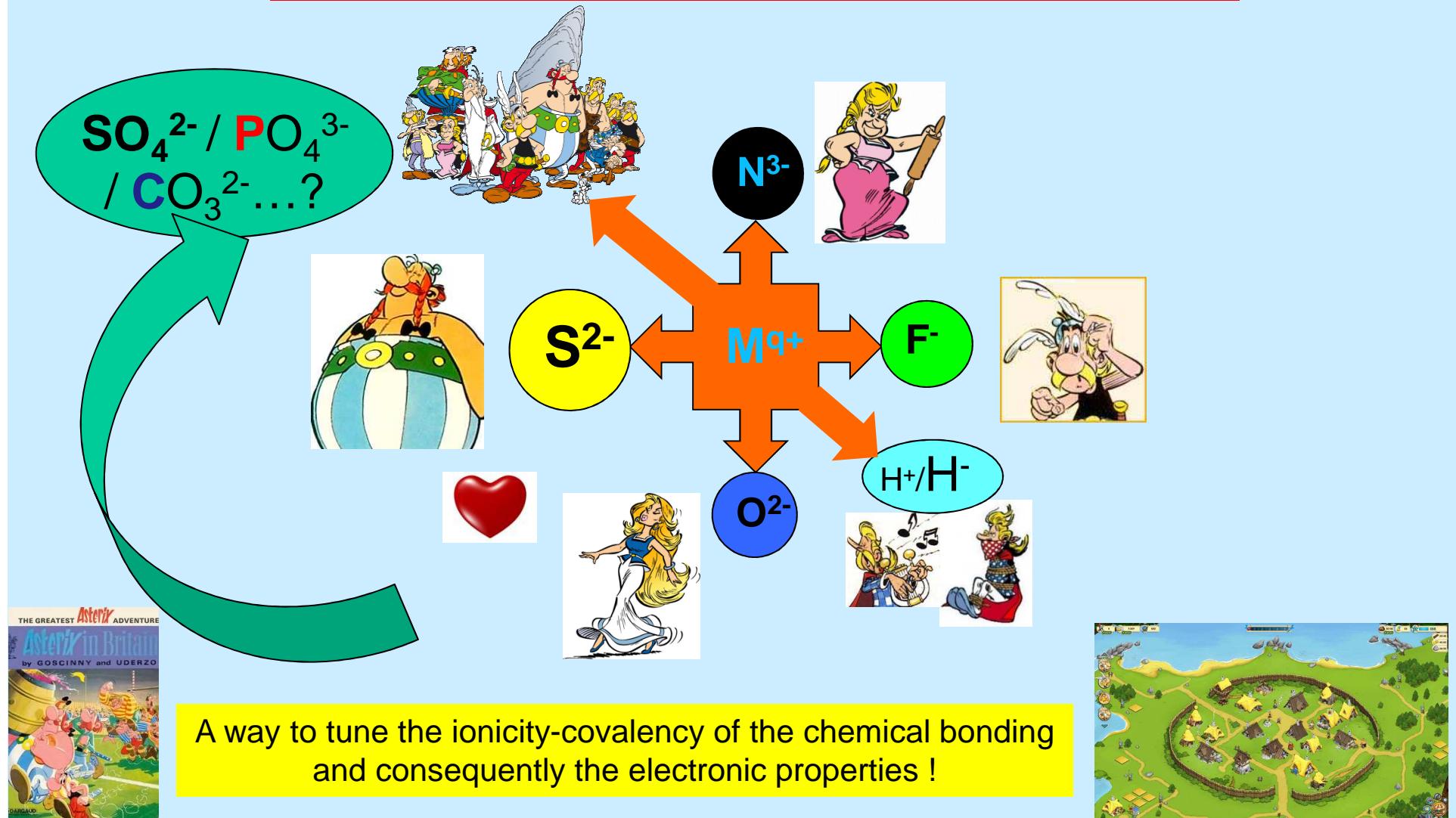
Fluorine is small in size and its supported charge is too high !

# The M-X chemical bonding and the effect of mixed anions

M<sup>q+</sup> : Partial density of charges and oxydation states

Point group ( M<sup>q+</sup> / X<sup>p-</sup> ), anisotropy and networks

Crystal field, Polarization, Covalency

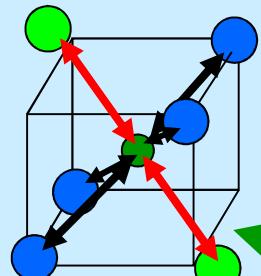


## Outline

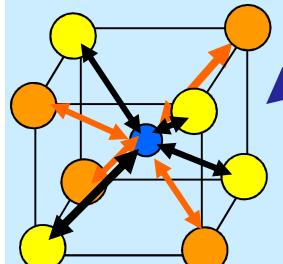
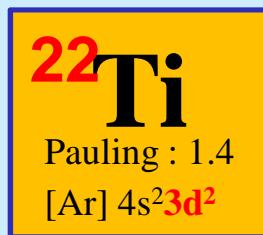
**Rare-Earth (Ce) and Transition Metal (Ti, Fe) mixed anions (F, O, S, H) compounds**

**Composition, Structural features and Energy Gap**

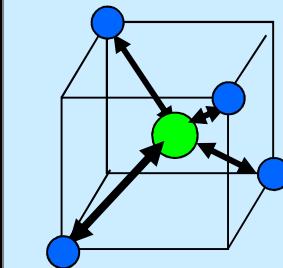
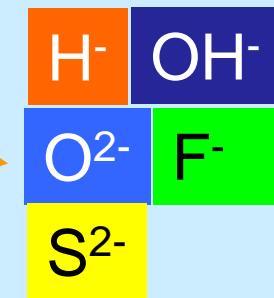
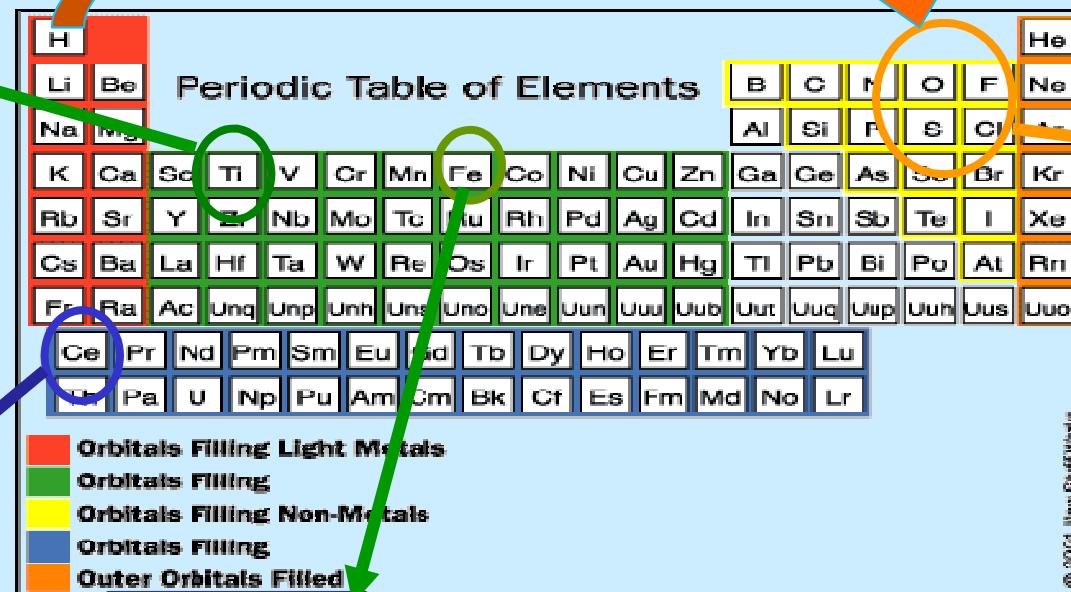
**From 2D layers to 3D tunnel networks**



$\text{Ti}^{4+}(\text{J}=0)/\text{Ti}^{3+}(\text{J}=3/2)$



$\text{Ce}^{4+}(\text{J}=0)/\text{Ce}^{3+}(\text{J}=5/2)$



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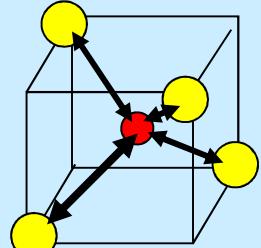
The key role of Electronegativity ( $\chi$ ), Charge ( $Z^+$ ), Ionic radius ( $r_{\text{ion}}$ ) of  $M^{z+}$  to define local electrical field =  $\chi(Z)/r_{\text{ion}}$

**Point group symmetry (M vs X),**

Mixing empty d orbitals with filled ligand p orbitals.

Looking for non-bonding character

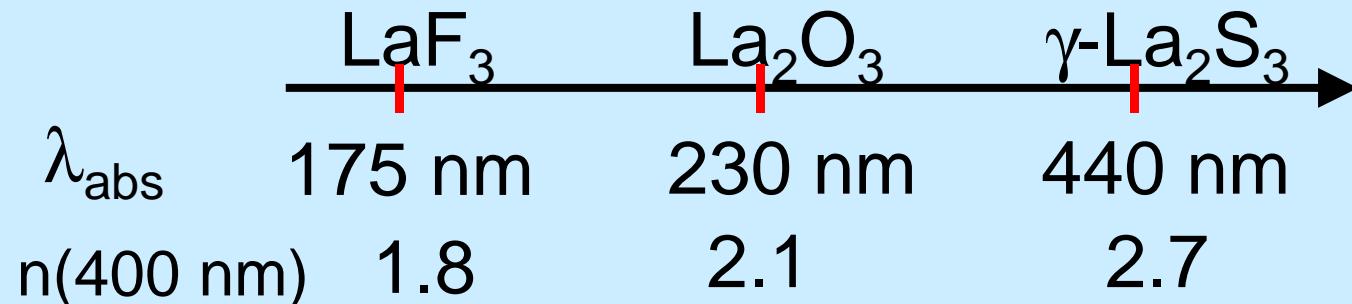
Lowering the band gap



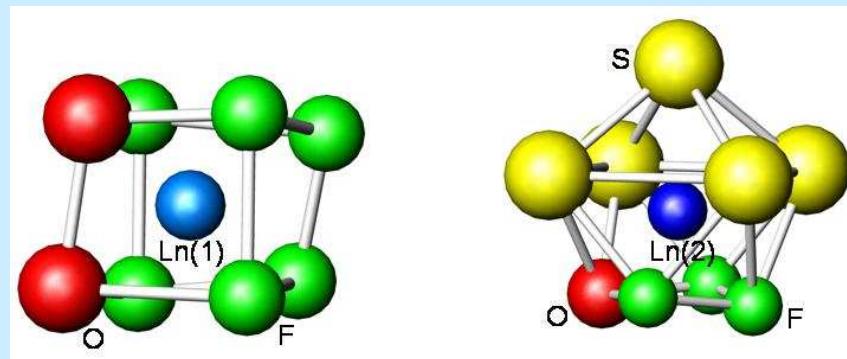
$\text{Fe}^{2+} ({}^5\text{T}_2)$

## *The mixed anions systems : absorption $k(\lambda)$ and refractive index $n(\lambda)$*

- Electronegativity ↓ (Polarizability ↑) :  $F > O^{2-} > S^{2-}$



- Modulation of the chemical bond : Ln-S/O/F : Variation of the absorption wavelength and refractive index



- Competitive bonds around metals : anisotropy, modification of the chemical bonds and electronic properties

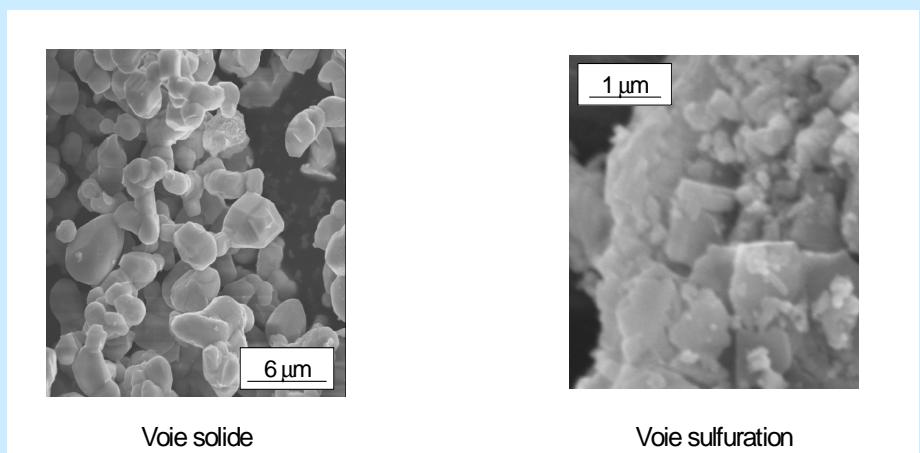
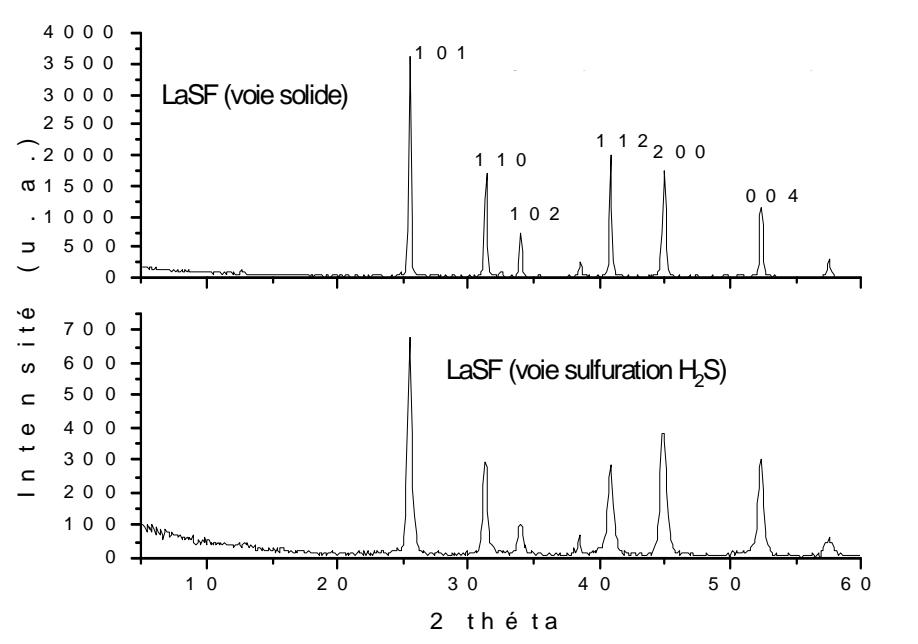
# *(F, O ,S) compounds synthesis routes*

**Solid state route** :  $LnF_3 + Ln_2O_3 + Ln_2S_3$  (*stoichiometric mixture*)

Sealed quartz tube, Pt crucible ,  $T = 900^\circ C - 1100^\circ C$

**Preparation from oxyfluorides or fluorocarbonates**

(*precipitation of salts and annealing*)



# **A new class of compounds : rare earth oxyfluorosulfides**

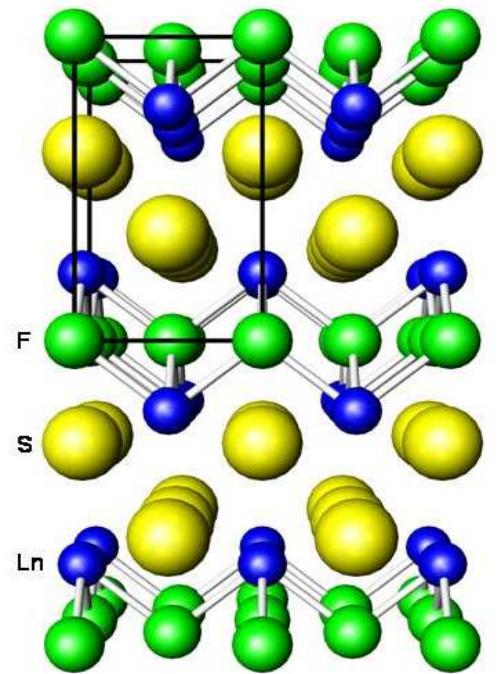
LaSF :  $\lambda_{\text{abs}} = 440 \text{ nm}$  ( $Eg = 2.8 \text{ eV}$ )

High absorption efficiency and refractive index

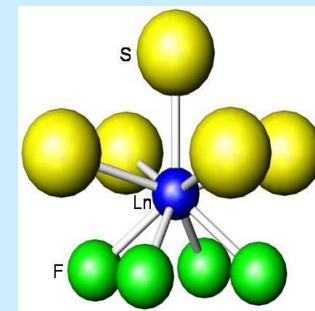
UV Absorbers :  $\lambda_{\text{abs}} = 400 \text{ nm}$  ( $Eg = 3.1 \text{ eV}$ ) ??

Modification of rare earth environment

$V/ZX = 28.6 \text{ \AA}^3$  (S.Andersson)



Electrostatic valence  
(Pauling) :  
 $S(-1.66) + F(-1.33) = -3$



Intergrowth of  
Ionic blocks  $[\text{Ln}_2\text{F}_2]^{4+}$

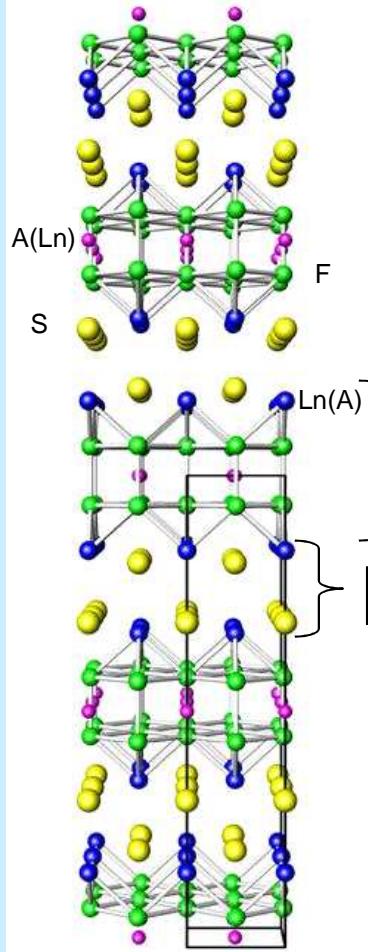
Covalent blocks  $[\text{S}_2]^{4-}$

How to change the  
ionicity of blocks ?

Size  
+  
Charge

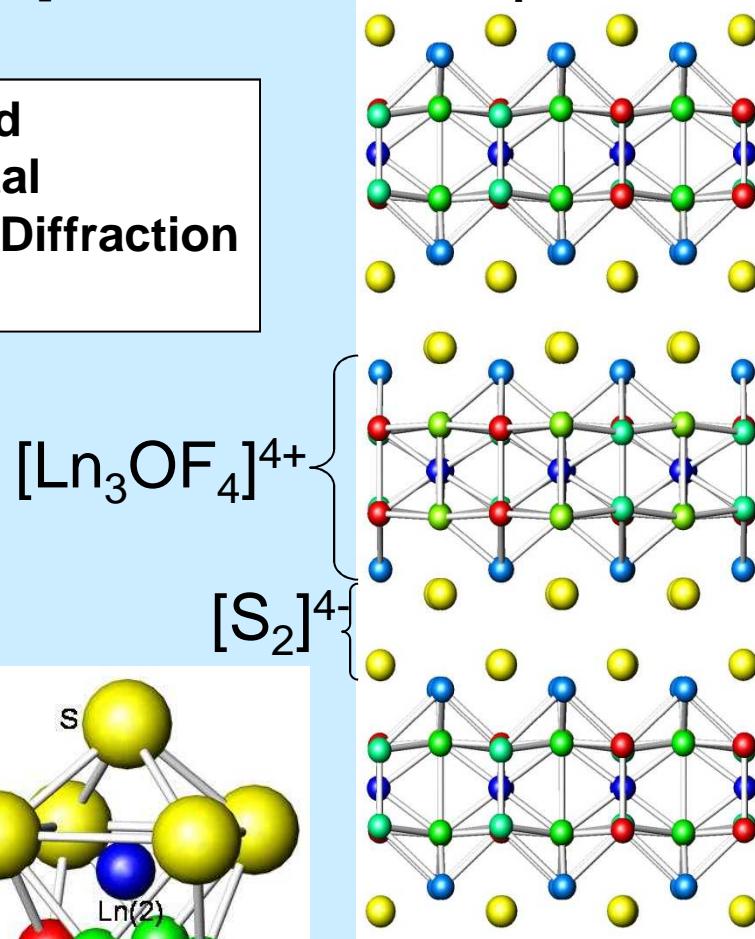
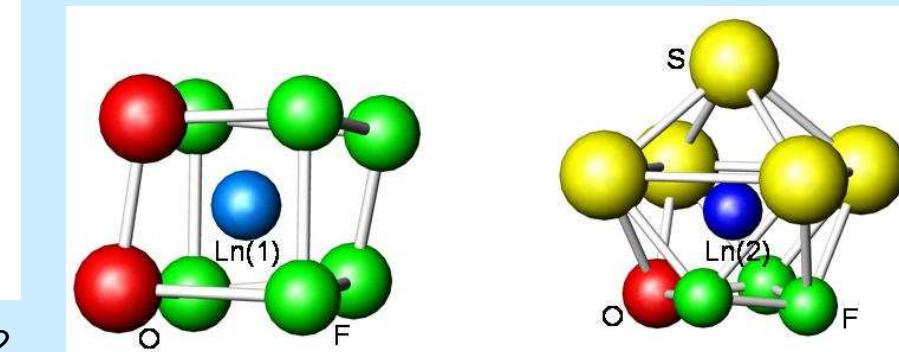
# A new class of compounds : rare earth oxyfluorosulfides

Modification of the size (ionicity) of '[Ln-O,F]' blocks : double sulphur sheets



Tetragonal I4/mmm  
 $a \approx 4 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $c \approx 19 \text{ \AA}$

Powder and  
Single crystal  
X-Ray and Electron Diffraction  
analysis



Orthorhombic Pnnm  
 $a \approx 5.6 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $c \approx 19 \text{ \AA}$

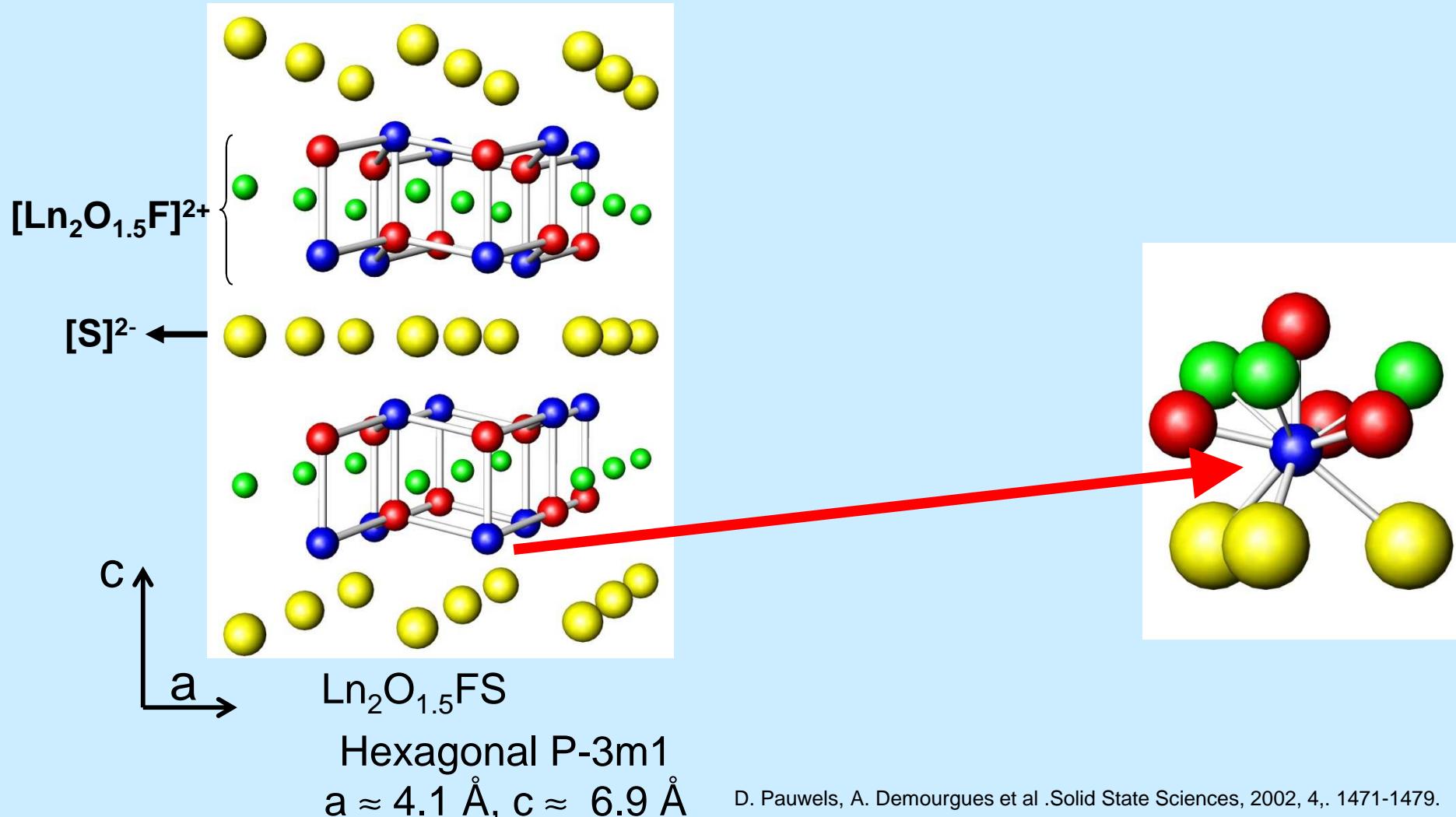
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# *A new class of compounds : rare earth oxyfluorosulfides*

Modification of the charge (ionicity) of '[Ln-O,F]' blocks : single sulphur sheet

## Powder X-ray and Neutron Diffraction analysis



## *A new class of compounds : rare earth oxyfluorosulfides*

Double sulphur sheets :  $\text{LaFS} = [\text{La}_2\text{F}_2]^{4+} + [\text{S}_2]^{4-}$

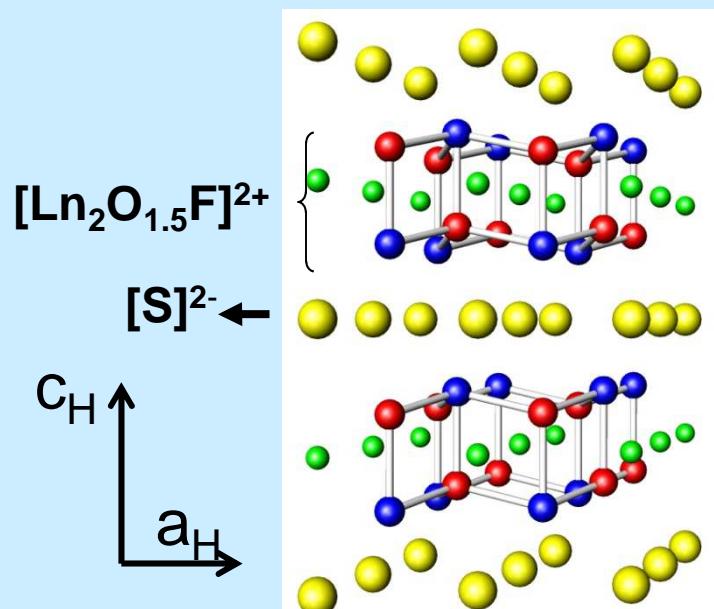
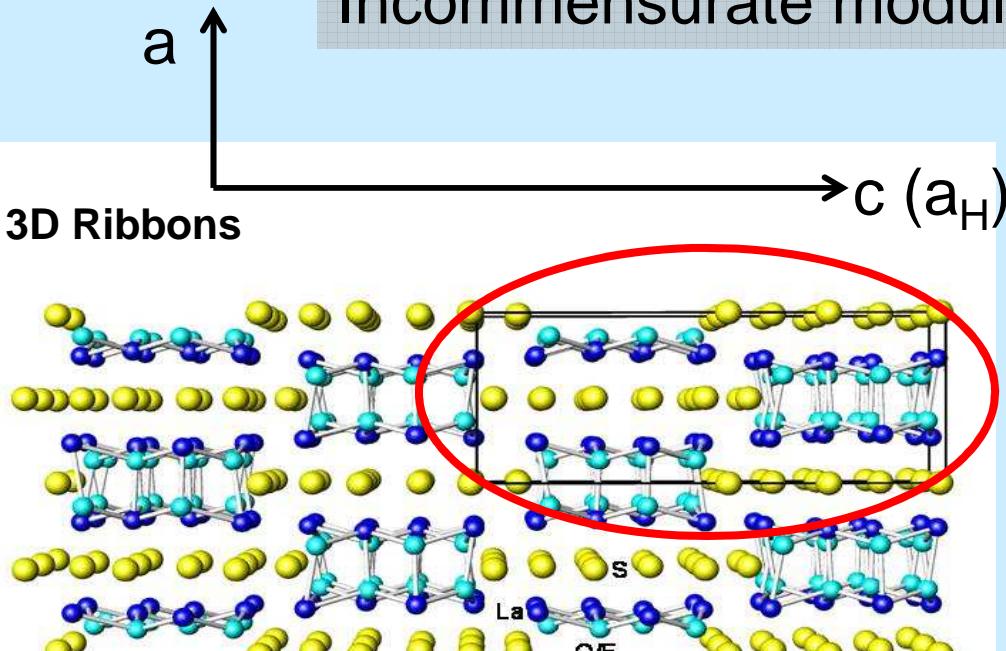
Double sulphur sheets :  $\text{La}_3\text{OF}_3\text{S}_2 = [\text{La}_3\text{OF}_3]^{4+} + [\text{S}_2]^{4-}$

Single sulphur sheets :  $\text{La}_2\text{O}_{1.5}\text{FS} = [\text{La}_2\text{O}_{1.5}\text{F}]^{2+} + [\text{S}]^{2-}$

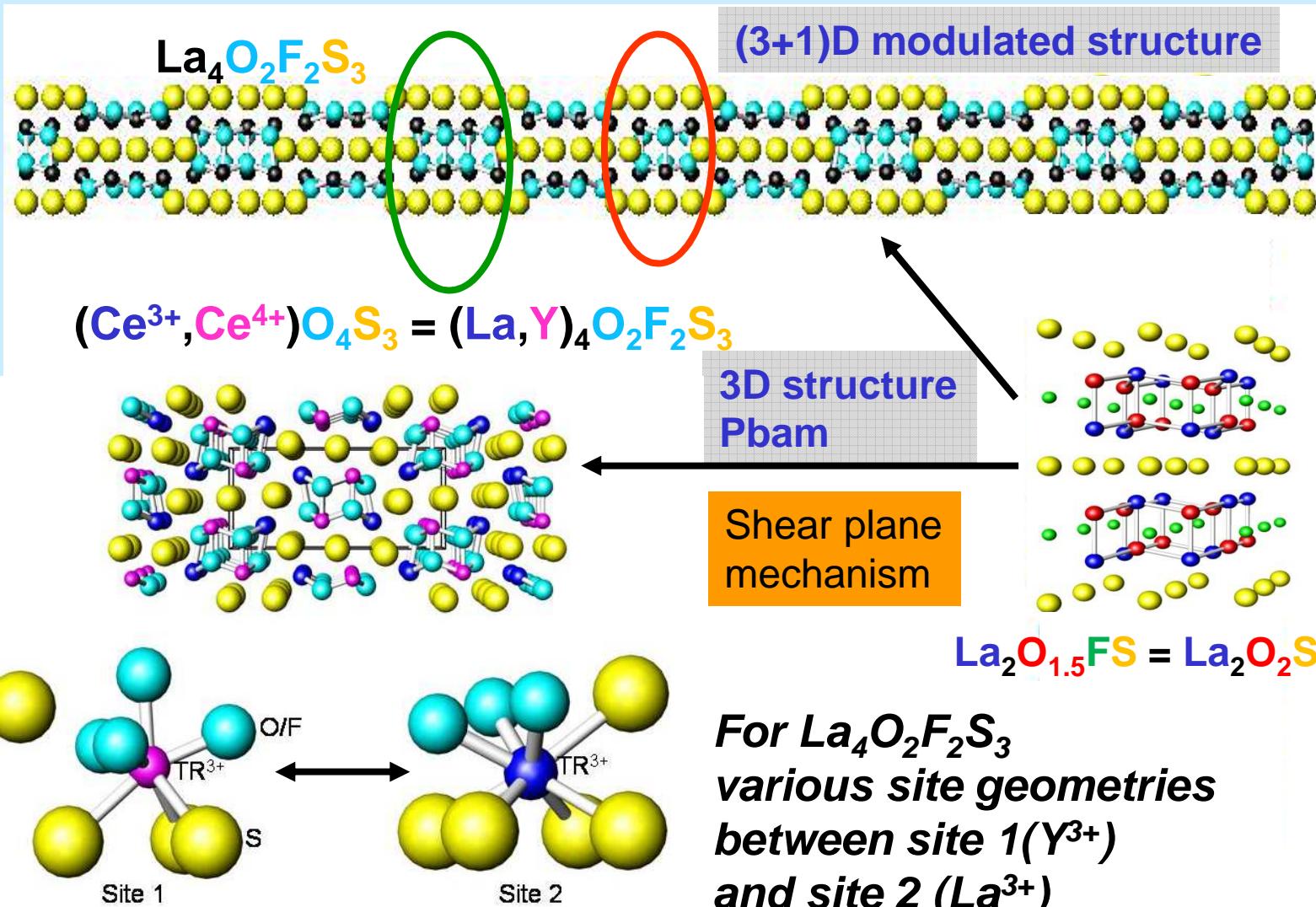
Occurrence of '[Ln-O,F]' blocks with 3+ charge ??



Incommensurate modulated structure

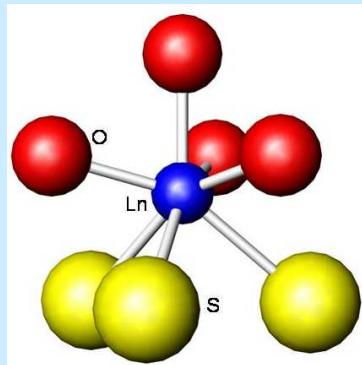


## A new class of compounds : rare earth oxyfluorosulfides



Competition between Fluorite-type blocks ('ionic') and Sulphur sheets ('covalent') :  
Key role of the charge/size of Fluorite block (O/F) and the nature of rare earth

# Rare earth oxyfluorosulfides and optical absorption properties



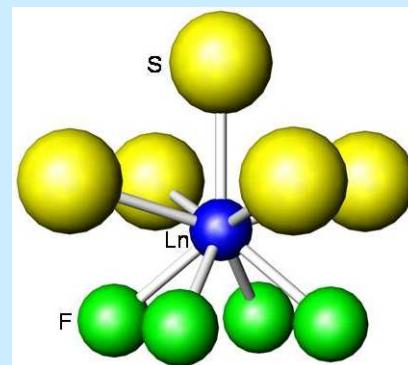
$$d(\text{La-O}) \approx 2.45 \text{ \AA} \times 4$$

$$d(\text{La-S}) \approx 3 \text{ \AA} \times 3$$



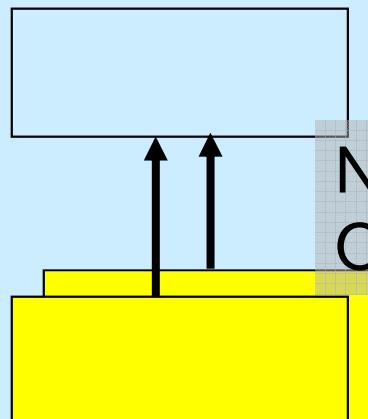
$$d(\text{La-O}) \approx 2.5 \text{ \AA} \times 4$$

$$d(\text{La-S}) \approx 3 \text{ \AA} \times 5$$

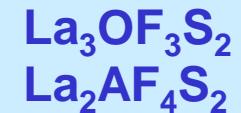
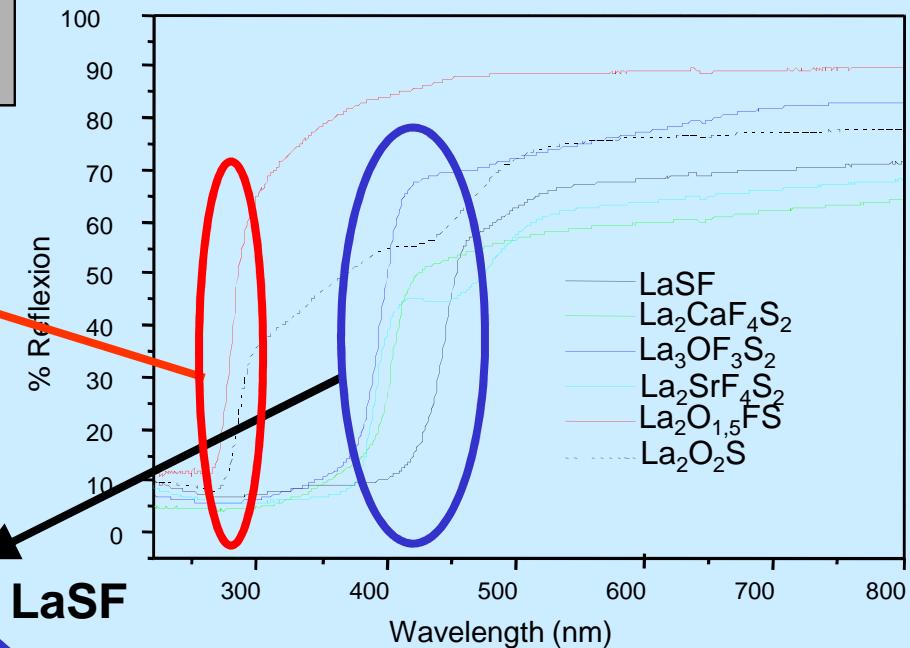


4f,5d(La)

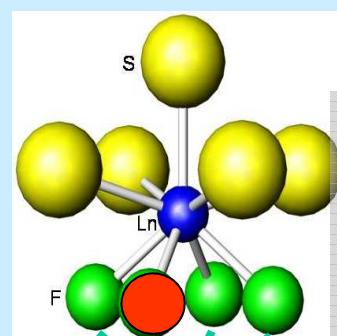
Number of S atoms ↑  
Optical band gap ↓



3p(S)



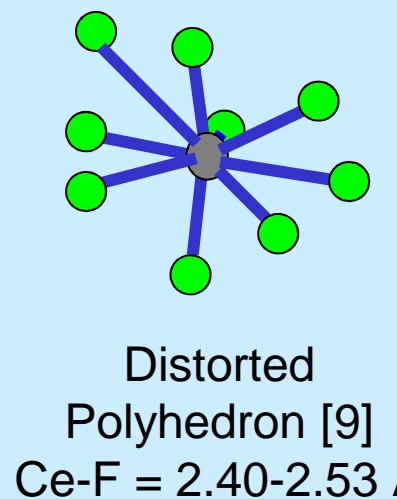
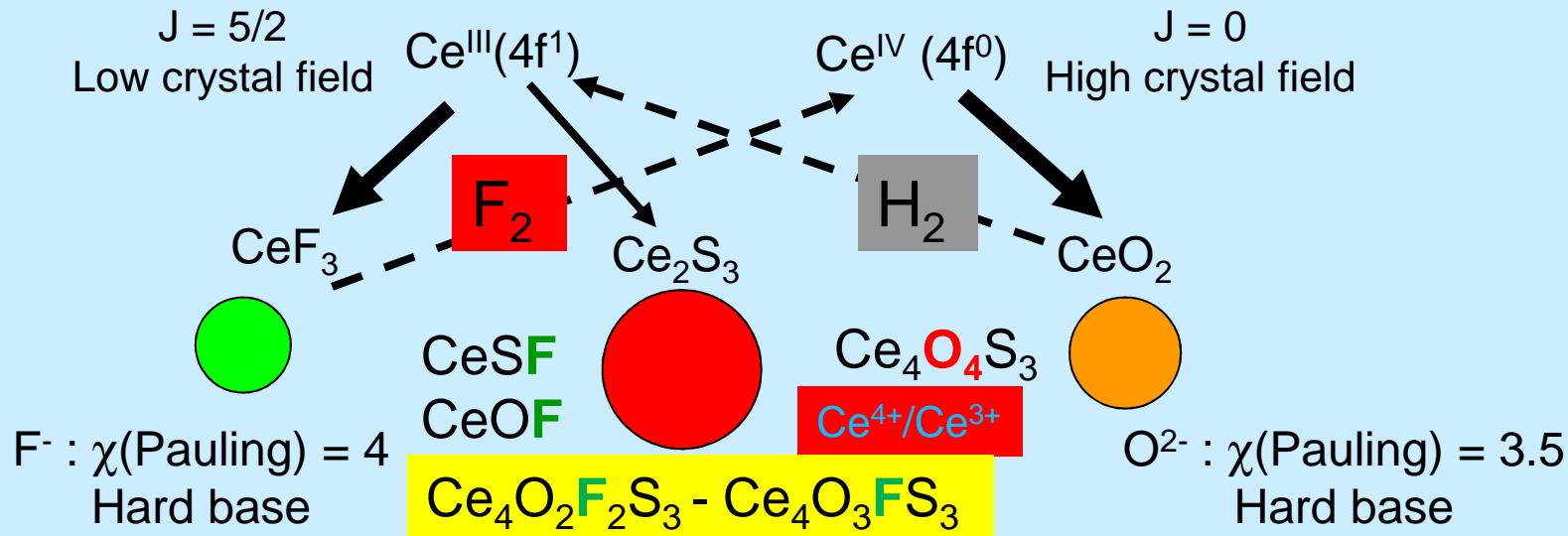
Relaxation of  
Sulphur sheets  
S-S distances ↑  
Optical band gap ↑



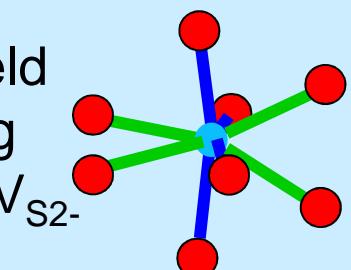
A, Ln

[La(A)-F,O] blocks  
A/Ln-F/O bond distances ↓

# The Ce valence states in fluorides, oxides and sulfides

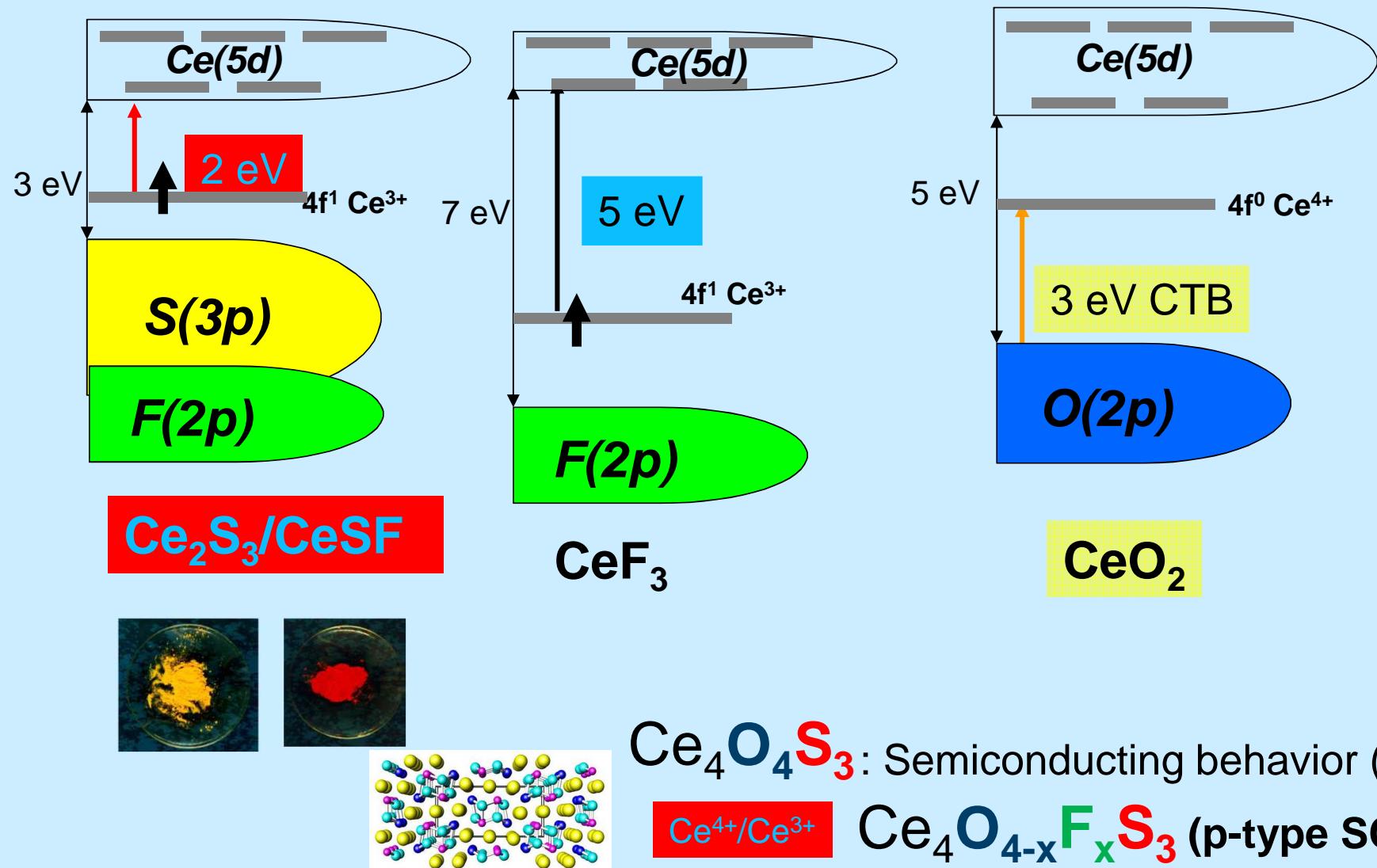


Low crystal field  
 Low Madelung Potential  $V_{\text{F}^-}, V_{\text{S}^{2-}}$



Cubic site [8]  
 $\text{Ce-O} = 2.34 \text{ \AA}$

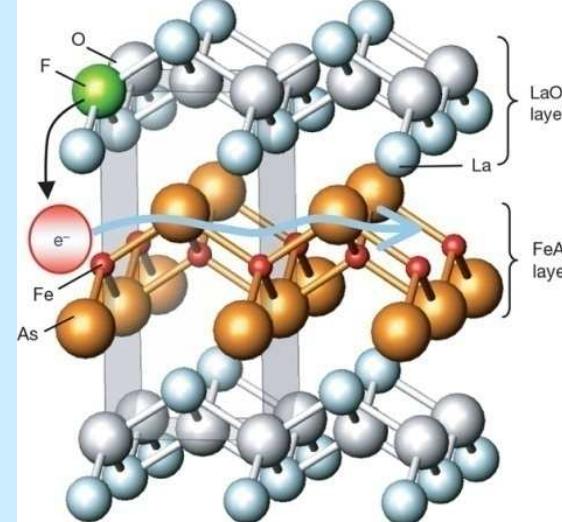
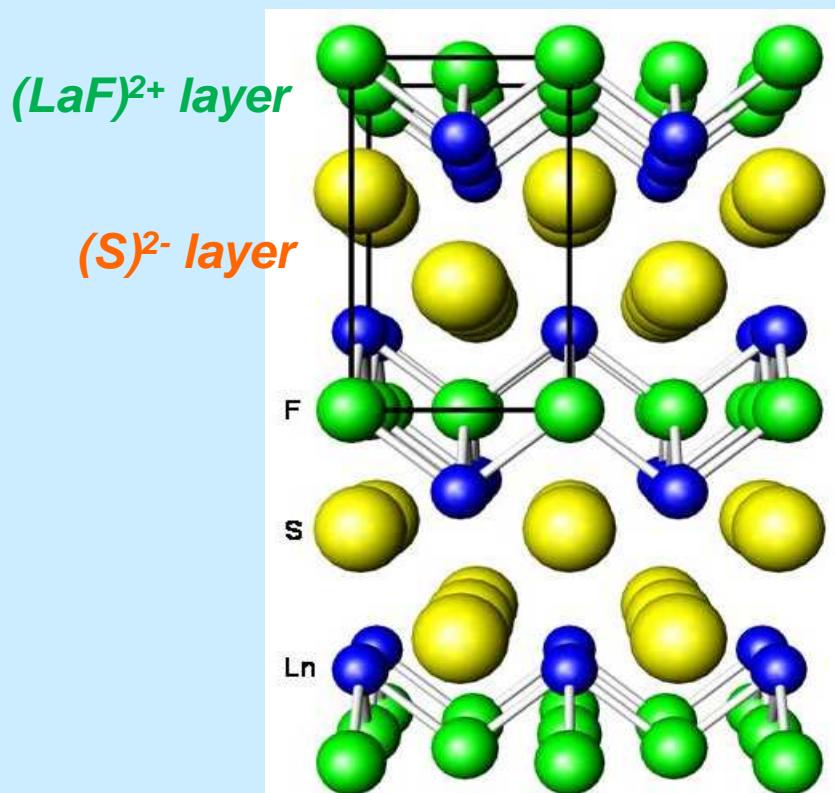
# *From the composition and structural features of Ce compounds to the optical absorption properties*



# **Structural relationships with RE $T_M P_N O_{1-x} F_x$ oxypnictides**

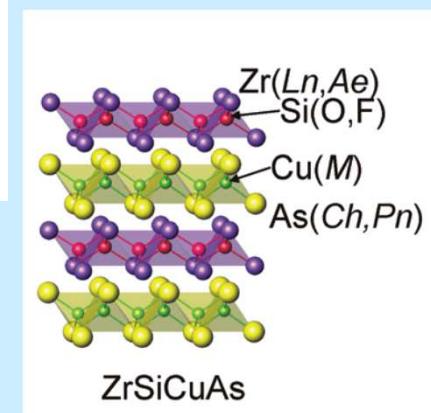
- **LaFS** = PbFCI = BiOCl
- Charge density into Layers ( LaO)<sup>+</sup> -Fluorite- and ( FeAs)<sup>-</sup> -Anti Fluorite-  
→ e- Transfer :  $LaO_{1-x}F_xFeAs$ 
  - LaO « réservoir » layer → FeAs conducting layer

Takahashi, H. et al. Superconductivity at 43K in iron-based layered compound  $.LaO_{1-x}F_xFeAs$ . *Nature*, 2008, **453**, 376-378



(LaO)<sup>+</sup> layer

(FeAs)<sup>-</sup> layer



: B.I. Zimmer , W. Jeitschko et al. J. Alloys and Comp, 1995, **229**, 238

# Superconducting Fe-As Materials : influence of Rare Earth series

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57 138.91	58 140.12	59 140.91	60 144.24	61 (145)	62 150.36	63 151.96	64 157.25	65 158.93	66 162.50	67 164.93	68 167.26	69 168.93	70 173.04	71 174.97				
La	Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu				

Formule chimique	T <sub>c</sub>
<b>LaFeAsO<sub>0,85</sub>F<sub>0,15</sub></b> , <b>LaFeAsO<sub>0,85</sub></b>	26 K, 43 K à 4 GPa
<b>LaFeAsO<sub>0,6</sub>F<sub>0,4</sub></b>	41K (synthèse HP à 6GPa)
<b>La<sub>0,88</sub>Sr<sub>0,12</sub>FeAsO</b>	25 K , dopage trous
<b>CeFeAsO<sub>0,8</sub>F<sub>0,2</sub></b>	41 K
<b>PrFeAsO<sub>0,85</sub>F<sub>0,15</sub></b> , <b>NdFeAsO<sub>0,6</sub>F<sub>0,4</sub></b>	50-52 K
<b>SmFeAsO<sub>0,85</sub></b> , <b>SmFeAsO<sub>0,9</sub>F<sub>0,1</sub></b>	<b>55 K</b>
<b>SmFeAsO<sub>0,85</sub>F<sub>0,15</sub></b>	43 K
<b>GdFeAsO<sub>0,85</sub></b> , <b>GdFeAsO<sub>0,8</sub>F<sub>0,2</sub></b>	53,5-51,2 K
<b>HoFeAsO<sub>0,8</sub></b>	50,3 K
<b>YFeAsO<sub>0,8</sub></b>	46,5 K
<b>DyFeAsO<sub>0,8</sub></b>	52,2 K
<b>TbFeAsO<sub>0,8</sub></b>	48,5 K

# • *AFeAsF compounds : layers ( $A^{2+}, F^-$ )<sup>+</sup>*

Metals    Metalloids    Nonmetals

Transition metals

	1A	2A	3A	4A	5A	6A	7A	8A										
1	H 1.00794	Be 9.01218	B 10.811	C 12.0107	N 14.0067	O 15.9994	F 18.9984	He 4.00260										
2	Li 6.941	Sc 44.9559	Ti 47.867	V 50.9415	Cr 51.9961	Mn 54.9380	Fe 55.845	Co 58.9332	Ni 58.6934	Cu 63.546	Zn 65.39	Al 26.9815	Si 28.0855	P 30.9738	S 32.065	Cl 35.453	Ar 39.948	
3	Na 22.9898	Mg 24.3050	3B 3	4B 4	5B 5	6B 6	7B 7	8B 8	1B 10	2B 12	13	14	15	16	17	18		
4	K 39.0983	Ca 40.078	Sc 44.9559	Ti 47.867	V 50.9415	Cr 51.9961	Mn 54.9380	Fe 55.845	Co 58.9332	Ni 58.6934	Cu 63.546	Zn 65.39	Al 26.9815	Si 28.0855	P 30.9738	S 32.065	Cl 35.453	Ar 39.948
5	Rb 85.4678	Sr 87.62	Sc 88.9059	Ti 91.224	V 92.9064	Nb 95.94	Mo [98]	Tc 101.07	Ru 102.9055	Rh 106.42	Pd 107.8682	Ag 112.41	Cd 114.818	In 118.710	Ge 121.760	As 127.60	Se 126.9045	Br 131.293
6	Cs 132.9055	Ba 137.327	Lu 174.967	Hf 178.49	Ta 180.9479	W 183.84	Re 186.207	Os 190.23	Ir 192.217	Pt 195.078	Au 196.9666	Hg 200.59	Tl 204.3833	Pb 207.2	Bi 208.9804	Po [208.98]	At [209.99]	Rn [222.02]
7	Fr [223.02]	Ra [226.03]	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116		
Lanthanide series		57 La 138.9055	58 Ce 140.116	59 Pr 140.9077	60 Nd 144.24	61 Pm [145]	62 Sm 150.36	63 Eu 151.964	64 Gd 157.25	65 Tb 158.9253	66 Dy 162.50	67 Ho 164.9303	68 Er 167.259	69 Tm 168.9342	70 Yb 173.04			
Actinide series		89 Ac [227.03]	90 Th 232.0381	91 Pa 231.0359	92 U 238.0289	93 Np [237.05]	94 Pu [244.06]	95 Am [243.06]	96 Cm [247.07]	97 Bk [247.07]	98 Cf [251.08]	99 Es [252.08]	100 Fm [257.10]	101 Md [258.10]	102 No [259.10]			

Compounds	T <sub>c</sub>
CaFe <sub>1-x</sub> Co <sub>x</sub> AsF	22 K
Sr <sub>0,8</sub> La <sub>0,2</sub> FeAsF	36 K
Sr <sub>0,5</sub> Sm <sub>0,5</sub> FeAsF	56 K

- $\text{Li}_{1-x}\text{FeAs}$  compounds

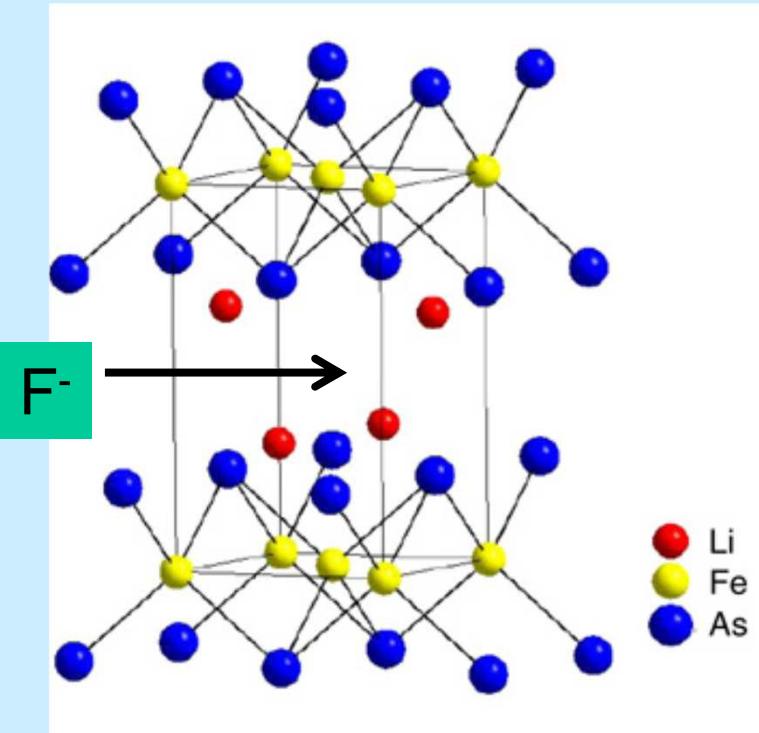
- $\text{Li}^+ (\text{FeAs})^-$ ,  $T_c = 18 \text{ K}$

- Structural features :
  - FeAs layers
  - Inserted  $\text{Li}^+$

**$\text{LiFeAs}(\text{F})$  :  $V_M(\text{F}^-) = -3.5 \text{ V} !$**

**$\text{NaFeAs}(\text{F})$  :  $V_M(\text{F}^-) = -1.08 \text{ V} !$**

**$V_M(\text{As}^{3-}) = +28 \text{ V} / +31 \text{ V}$**



Wang, X.C. et al. 2008. The superconductivity at 18K in  $\text{LiFeAs}$  system. *Solid State Communications*, **148**, 538-540.

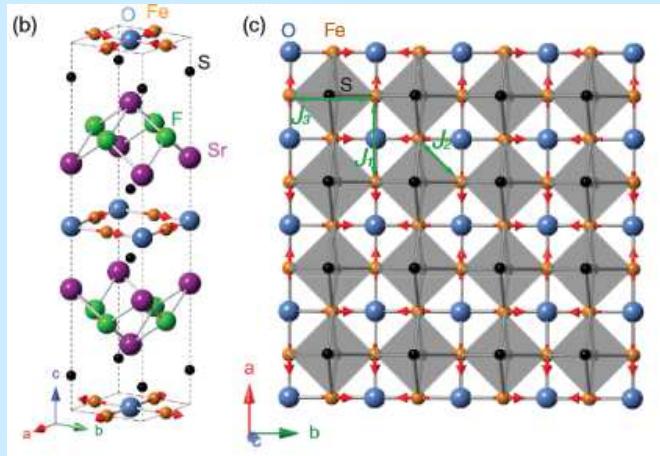
## ***Structural parameters which influence superconducting properties of $REO_{1-x}F_xFeAs$ compounds***

- Parameters which influence  $T_c$  :
  - Doping with  $F^-$ 
    - ***Increasing of electron density*** into FeAs layers
  - Application of High Pressure
- 2D Structure and critical temperature  $T_c$  :
  - ***Converging to Tetrahedron  $FeAs_4$  [Td] Symmetry***
  - ***Inter layers  $Fe_2As_2$  distance increasing***

Reduction of  
cell parameters

Compounds	$T_c$
$CaFe_{1-x}Co_xAsF$	22 K
$Sr_{0,8}La_{0,2}FeAsF$	36 K
$Sr_{0,5}Sm_{0,5}FeAsF$	56 K

# The $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ ( $3d^6$ ) case stabilized in mixed anions environment



H. Kabbour, L. Cario et al. J.A.C.S., 2008, **130**, 8261

I4/mmm  
SC + 2D Ising AFM ( $T_N < 110\text{K}$ )  
 $S=2$  AFM checkerboard spin lattice

[Rocksalt blocks]

$[6] \text{CaO}_3\text{S}_3$

+

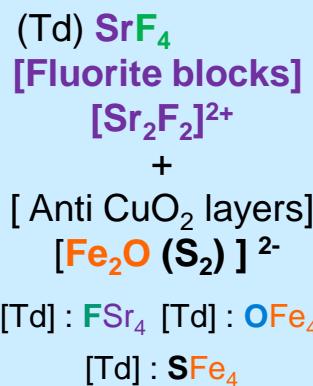
[Wutzite sheets]

$[4] \text{Fe}^{2+}\text{OS}_3$

[Td] :  $\text{OFeCa}_3$

[Oh] :  $\text{SFe}_3\text{Ca}_3$

Electrostatic valence (Pauling) :  
 $\text{O} (-1.5) + \text{S} (-2.5) = -4$



Electrostatic valence (Pauling) :  
 $2\text{F} (-2) + \text{O} (-1.33) + 2 \text{S} (-1.33) = -8$

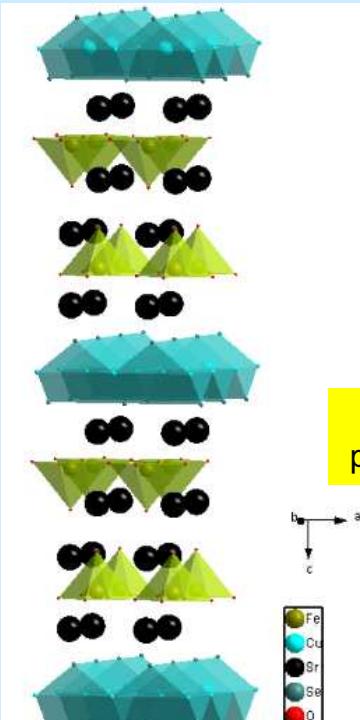


Fig. 1. View of the crystal structure of  $\text{Sr}_2\text{CuFeO}_3\text{Se}$ .



[ $\text{Sr}_2\text{Ga}^{3+}\text{Cu}^+\text{O}_3\text{S}$ ]

[Perovskite layers]

[5]  $\text{FeO}_5$  [9]  $\text{SrO}_9$   
+ [4]  $\text{SrO}_4$

[AntiFluorite sheets]  
[4]  $\text{CuSe}_4$

P4/nmm  
p-type (Cu+)-SC + AFM ( $T_N > 300\text{K}$ )

D. Berthebaud et al.  
Sol. Stat. Sci. 2014, **36**, 94-100

$\text{Fe}^{2+}/\text{Cu}^{2+}$  or  
 $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Cu}^+$ ?

[Td] :  $\text{SeCu}_4$

[Oh] x 2:  $\text{OFe}_2\text{Sr}_4$ , [Oh] :  $\text{OFeSr}_5$

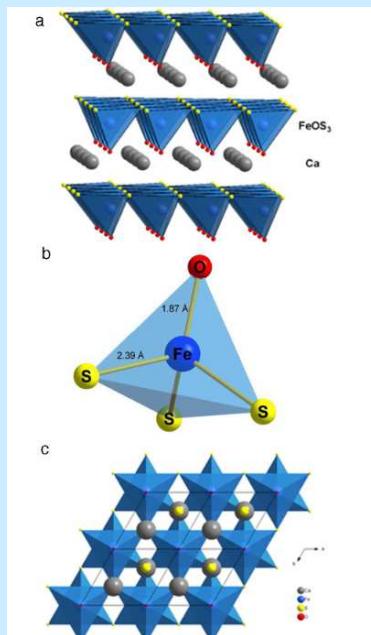


Figure 3. Crystal structure of  $\text{CaOFe}^{2+}\text{S}$  along the (a) [100] and (c) [001] directions. A detailed  $\text{FeOS}_3$  tetrahedron is shown in part b.



Polar structure ( $\text{P}6_3\text{mc}$ ),  
Magnetodielectric  $T_N = 35\text{K}$

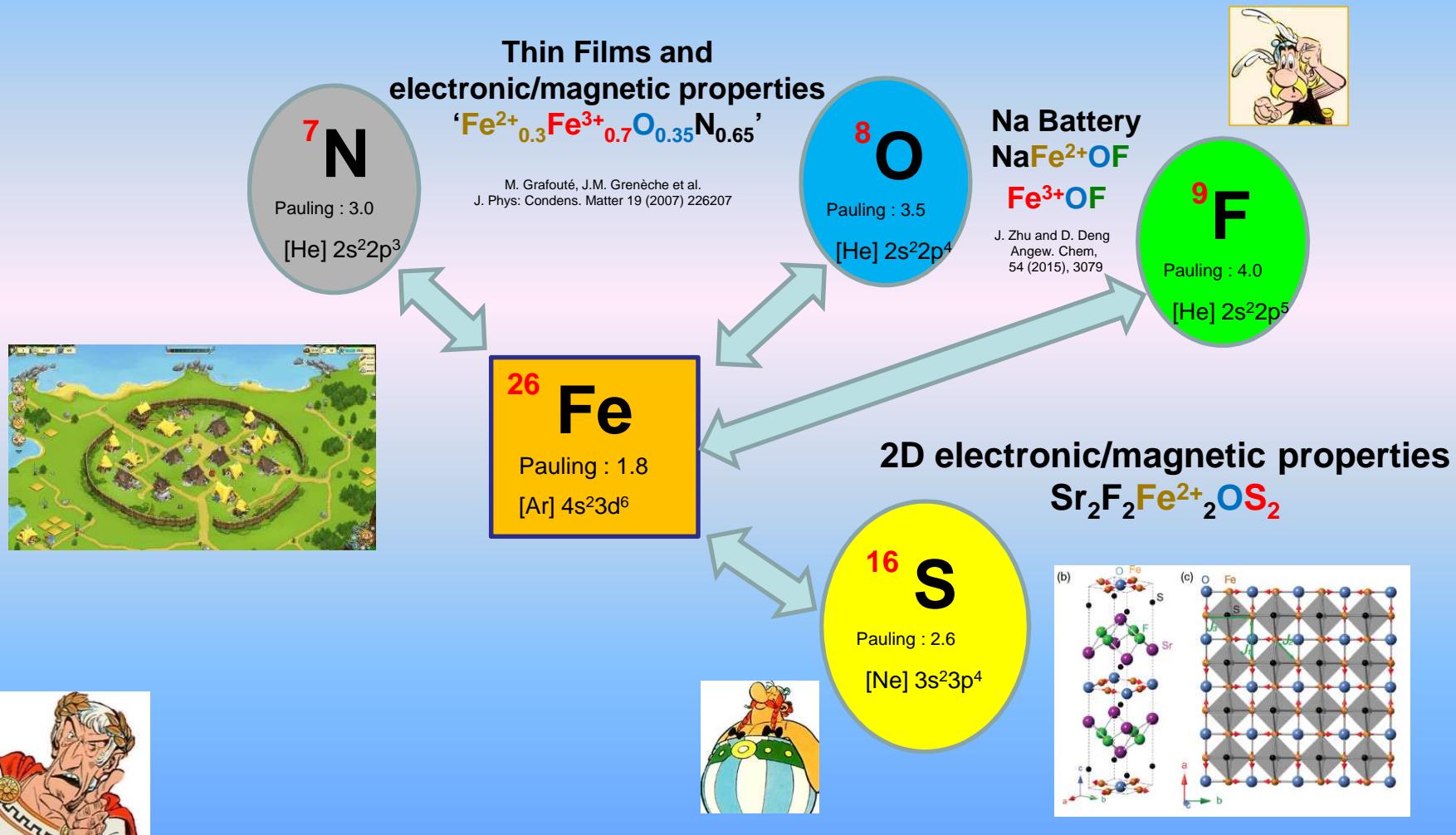
C. Dellacotte et al. Inorg. Chem.  
2015, **54**, 6560-6565

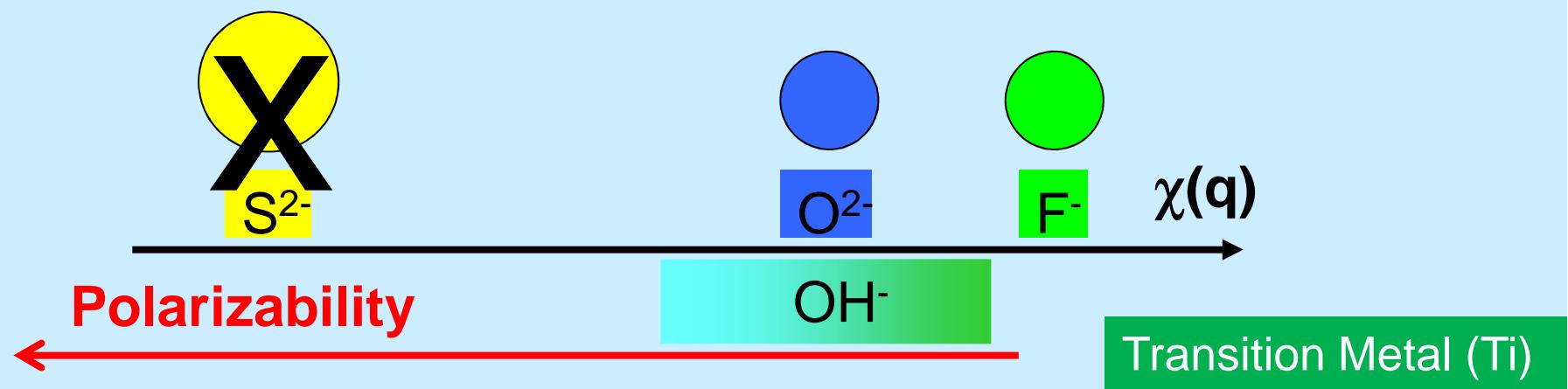
Electrostatic valence (Pauling) :  
 $\text{Se} (-2) + 2\text{O} (-2.24) + \text{O} (-1.51) = -8$

Electrostatic valence (Pauling) :  
 $\text{Se} (-1) + 2\text{O} (-2.64) + \text{O} (-1.71) = -8$

# Stabilization of various anions around Fe !

## To tune the redox/electronic/magnetic properties...





# Hydro(Solvo)thermal routes to get Ti-based mixed anions compounds

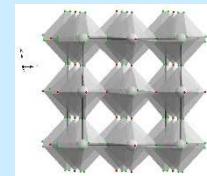
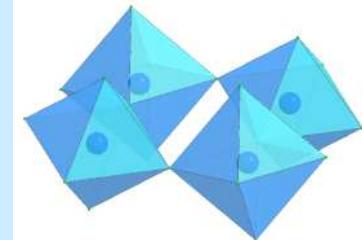
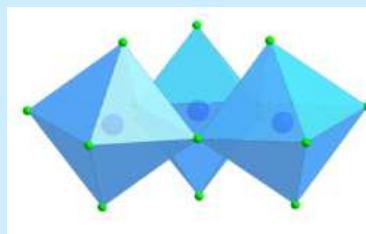
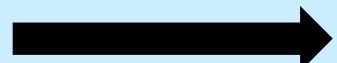
## Influence of precursors, solvents, HF, controled T / P

Ti<sup>4+</sup> : strong polarizing effect  
(d orbitals)

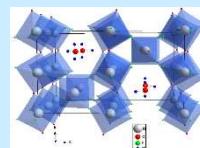
Anionic groups X = F<sup>-</sup>/OH<sup>-</sup>/O<sup>2-</sup>/ H<sup>-</sup>

Coord Numb (X) = [1, 2, 3]

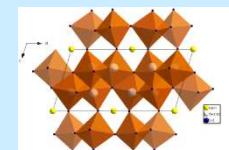
Competition



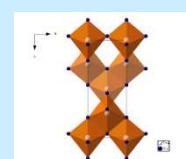
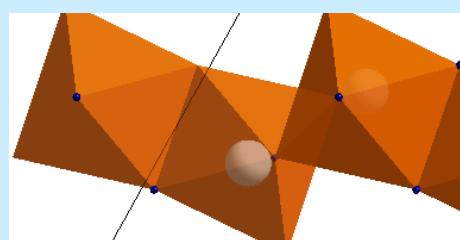
HTB-type structure



ReO<sub>3</sub>-type structure / Perovskite

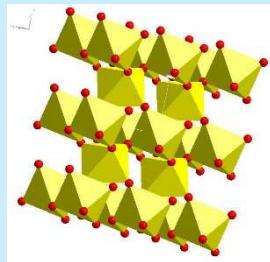


TiO<sub>2</sub> Anatase/ (B) type-structure

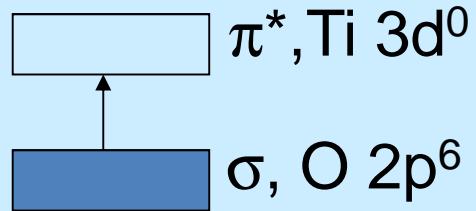


Structural features and electronic properties

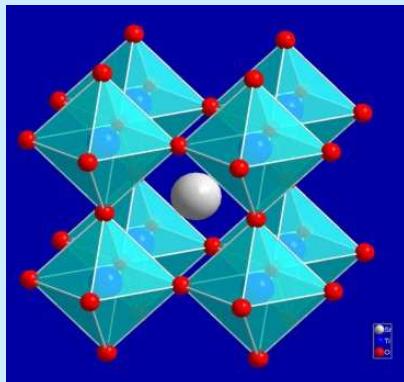
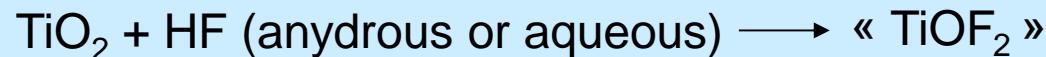
# Ti-based oxyfluorides with $\text{ReO}_3$ -derived network and optical properties



Rutile :  
edge/corner  
sharing octahedra  
 **$\text{CN}(\text{O})=3$**



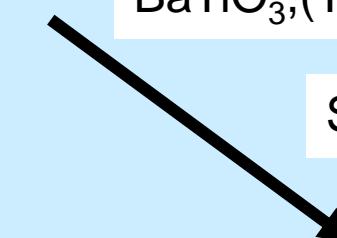
$\text{TiO}_2$  Charge Transfer Band  
at 3.1-3.2 eV



$\text{ReO}_3$  and Perovskite networks :  
3D corner-sharing octahedra  
 **$\text{CN}(\text{O/F})=2$**

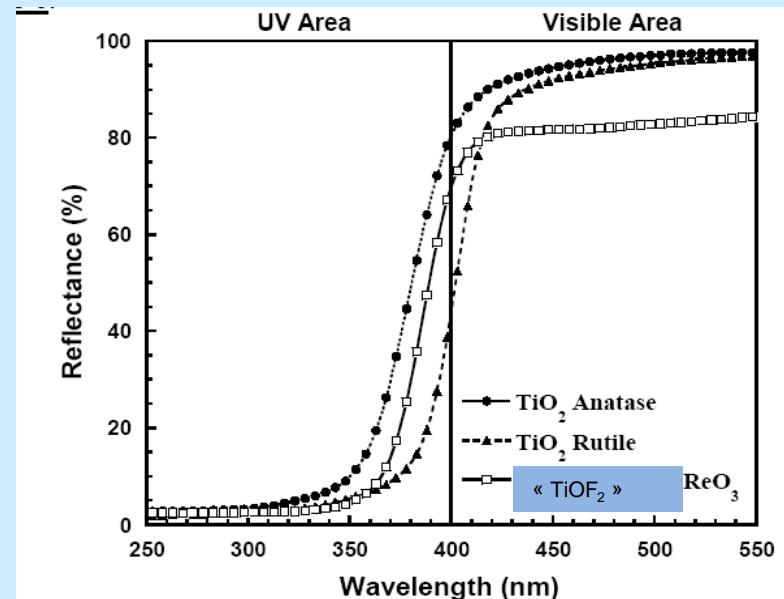
$a = 3.80 \text{ \AA}$   
( $\text{Ti-O/F} = 1.90 \text{ \AA}$ )  
 $\rho_{\text{exp}} = 2.92-2.70 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$   
 $\rho_{\text{theo}} = 3.09 \text{ g.cm}^{-3}$

$\text{BaTiO}_3$ , ( $\text{Ti-O} = 2.00 \text{ \AA}$ ) CTB : 3.4 eV



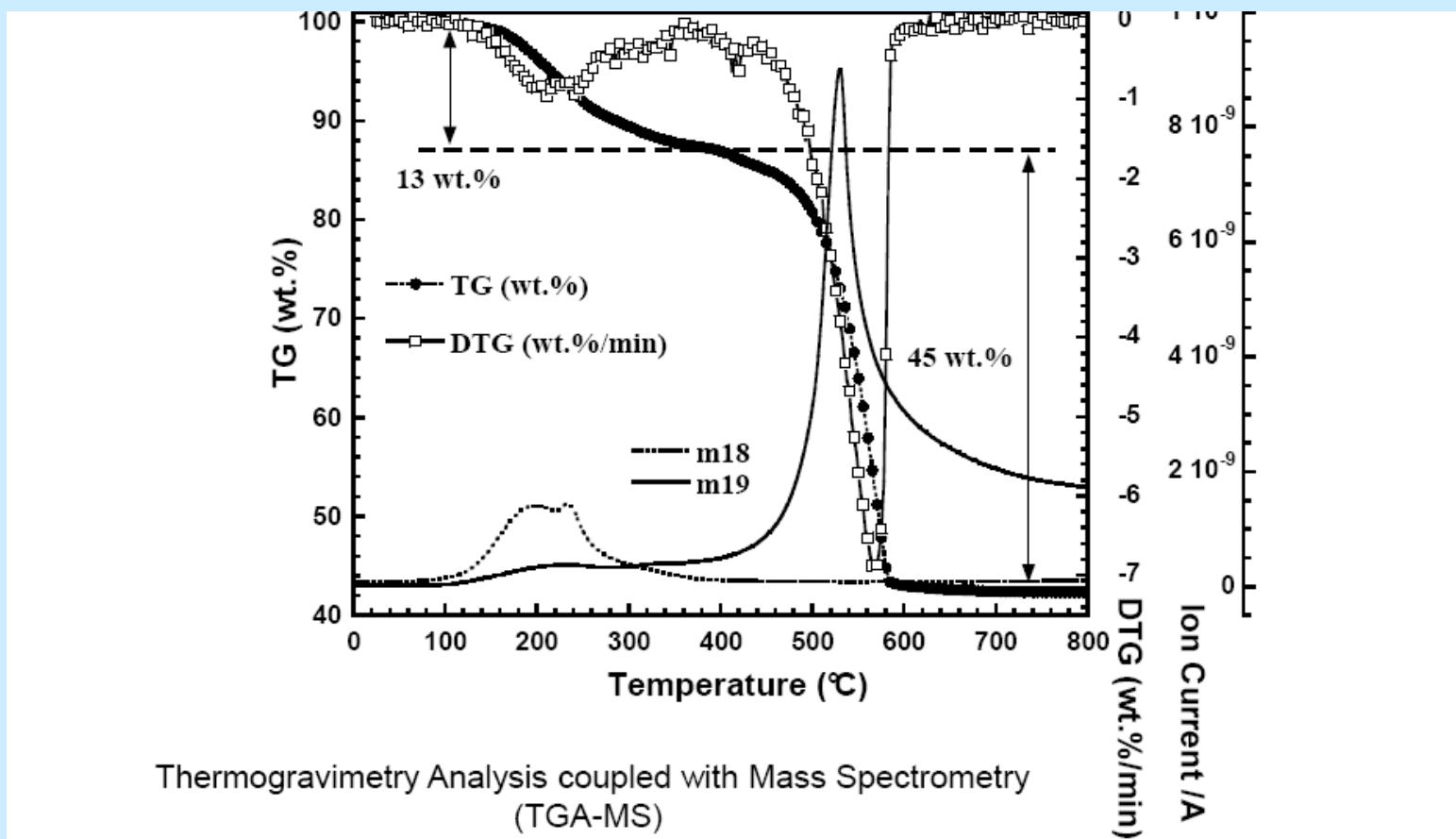
$\text{SrTiO}_3$ , ( $\text{Ti-O} = 1.95 \text{ \AA}$ ) CTB : 3.6 eV

«  $\text{TiOF}_2$  », ( $\text{Ti-O} = 1.90 \text{ \AA}$ ) CTB : 3.2 eV ??



## Ti-based hydroxy-fluoride with $\text{ReO}_3$ -derived network

Hydrothermal route ( $\text{TiOCl}_2$ , aqueous HF(40%), water as solvent,  $T=90^\circ\text{C}$ )  
 $R=\text{HF/Ti}=3$  molar ratio



Thermogravimetry Analysis coupled with Mass Spectrometry  
(TGA-MS)

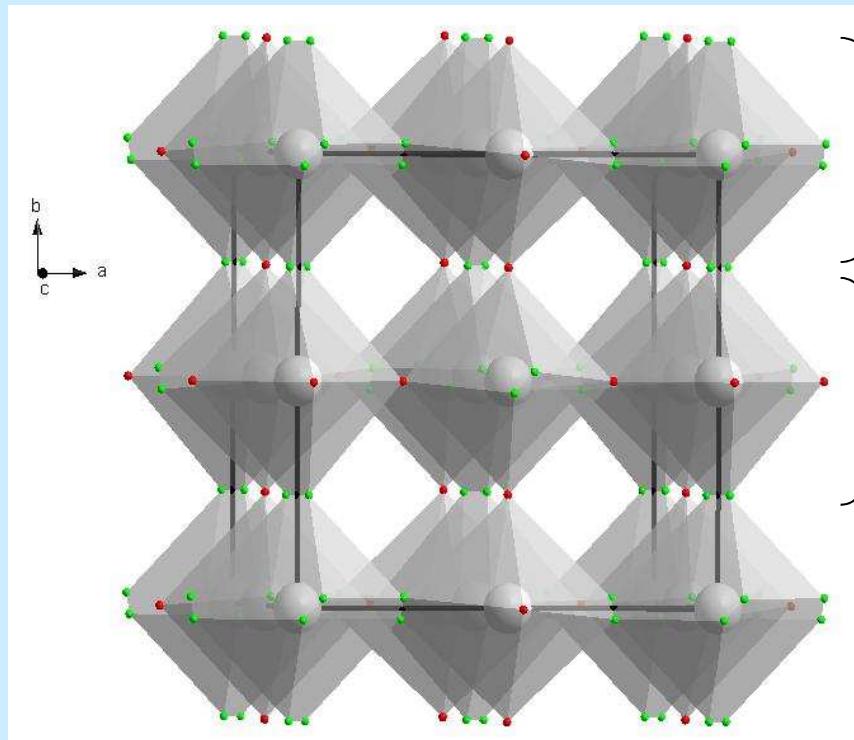
$\text{OH}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (13 wt %,  $T<400^\circ\text{C}$ ) and  $\text{TiF}_4$  (45 wt%,  $400^\circ\text{C}<T<600^\circ\text{C}$ ) departures under  $\text{N}_2$  flow

Chemical formulae :  $\text{Ti}_{0.75}(\text{OH})_{1.5}\text{F}_{1.5}$  !

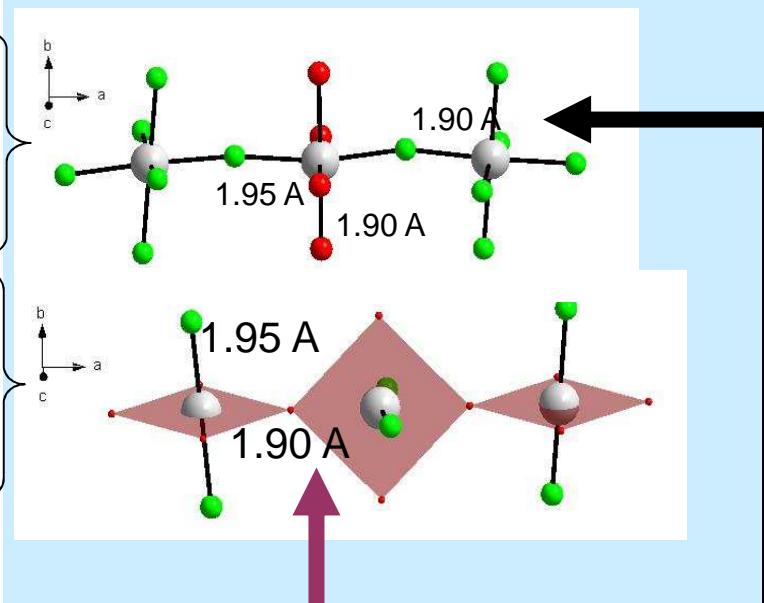
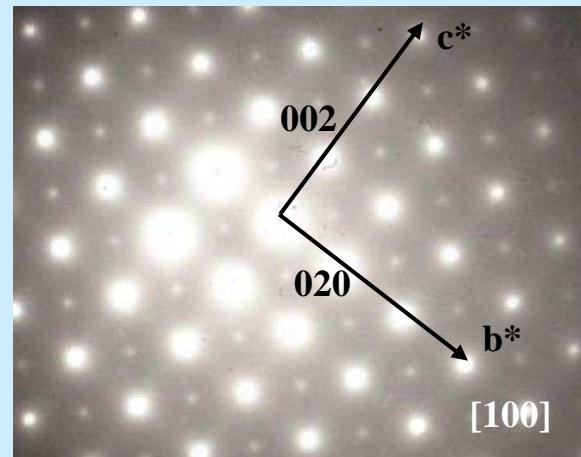
# Ti-based hydroxy-fluoride with $\text{ReO}_3$ -derived network

Electron (SG : Pn-3m)  
X Ray, Neutron (Atomic positions)  
diffraction investigations

Ordered  $\text{ReO}_3$  supercell  
(SG : Pn-3m ,  $a = 7.6177 \text{ \AA}$ )  
Ti vacancies !



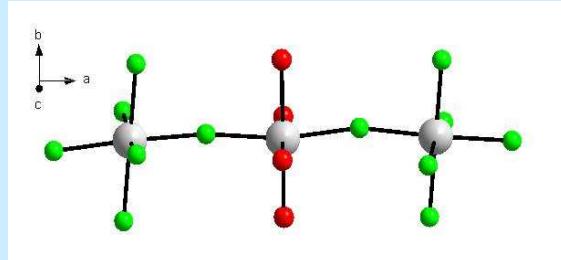
$$\rho_{\text{exp}} = 2.63 \text{ g.cm}^{-3} (\rho_{\text{theo}} = 2.70 \text{ g.cm}^{-3})$$



A. Demourgues et al. Chem. Mater., 2009, 21, 1275-1283

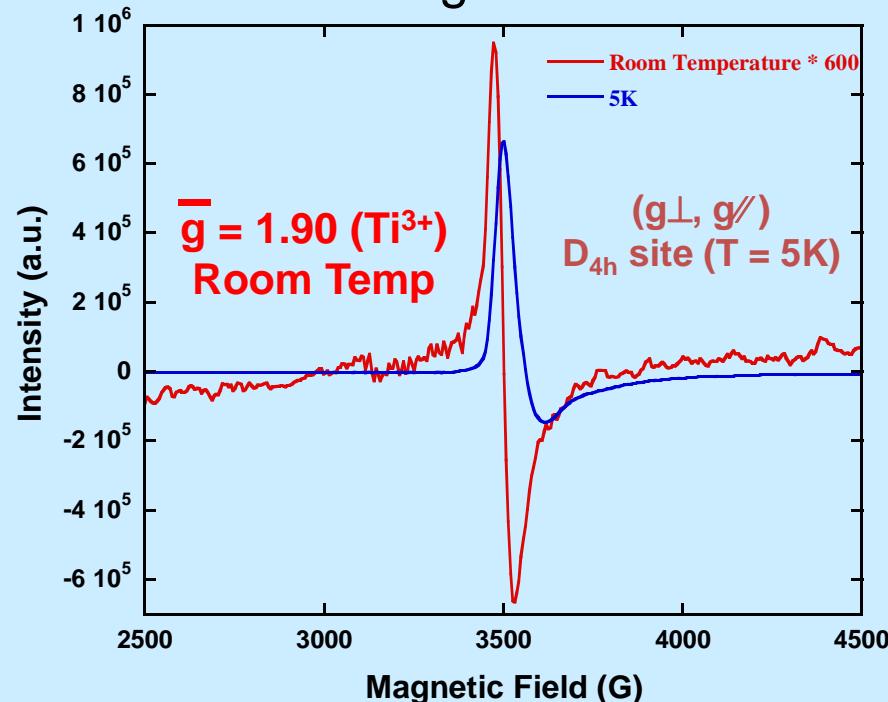
# Stabilization of $\text{Ti}^{3+}$ in Titanium hydroxyfluoride : $\text{Ti}_{0.75-\text{x}}\text{F}_{1.5}\text{OH}_{1.5}$

Microwave assisted solvothermal synthesis  
Solvents : Water + isopropanol, Precursor :  $\text{Ti}(\text{OR})_4$ , 4(5)  $\text{HF}_{\text{aq}}$ ,  $T = 100^\circ\text{C}$   
Reductive conditions !

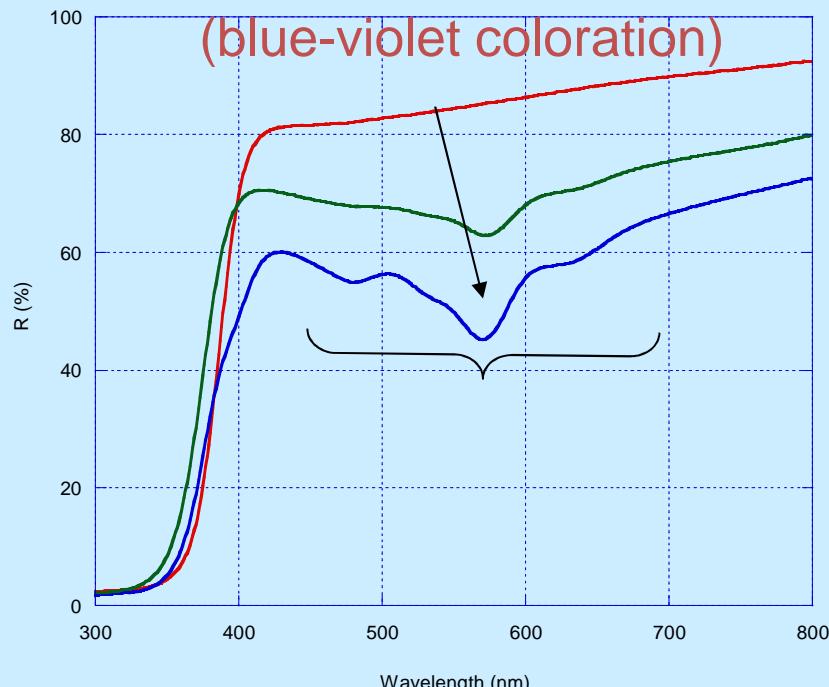


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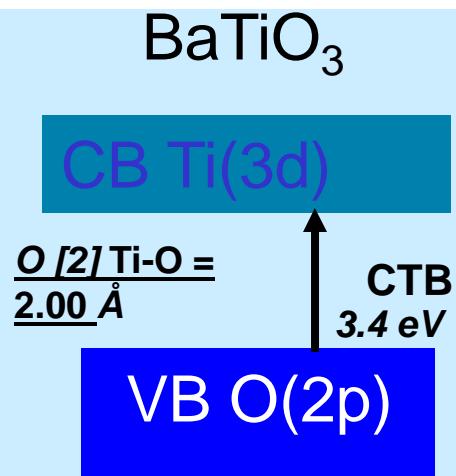
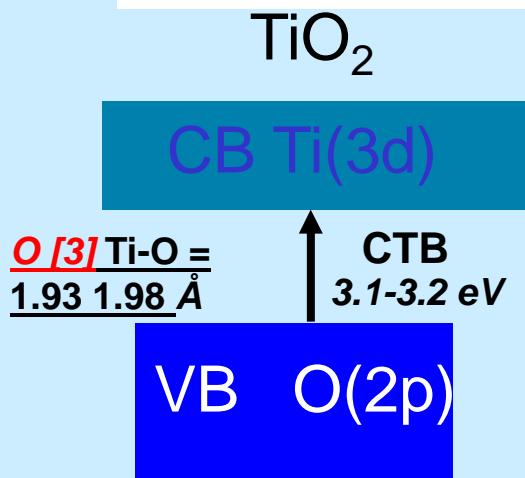
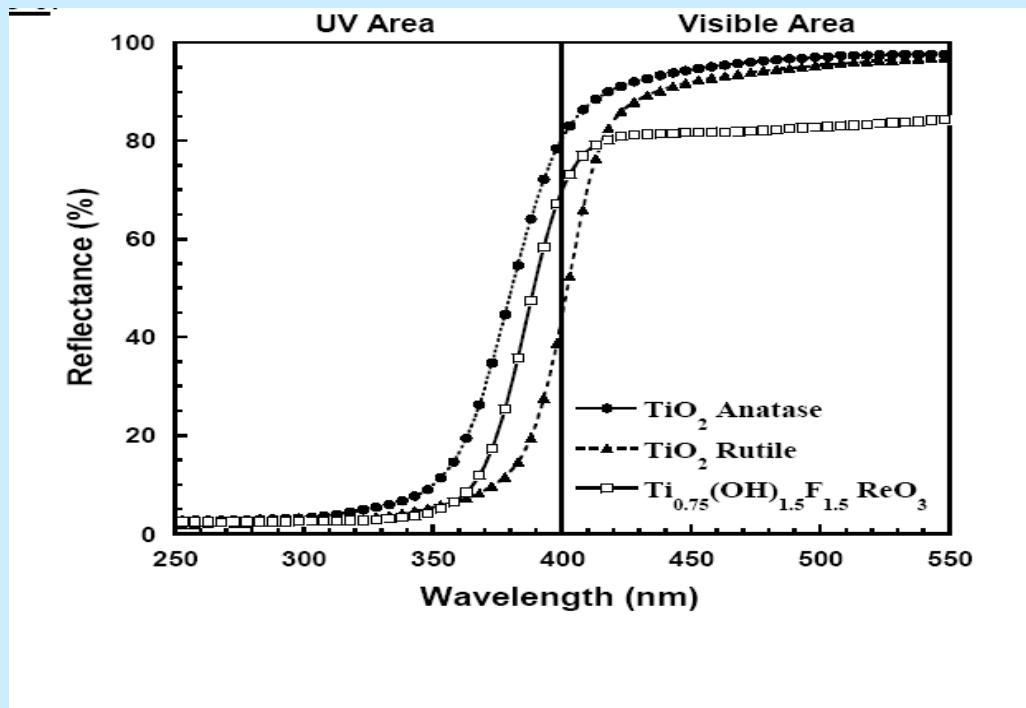
## ESR investigation



Intervalencies  $\text{Ti}^{3+}-\text{Ti}^{4+}$   
d-d transitions

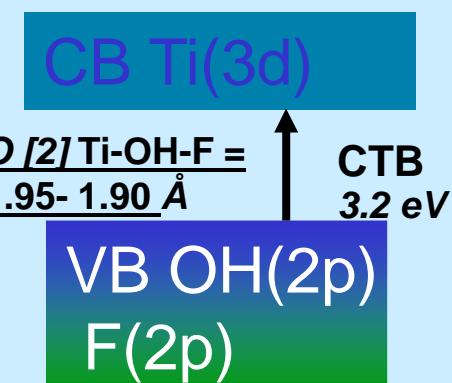
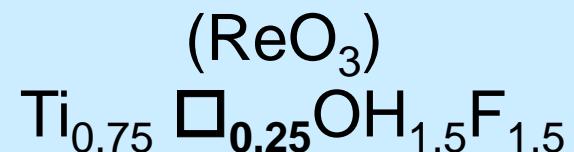


# Ti-based hydroxy-fluorides with $\text{ReO}_3$ -derived network and band gap

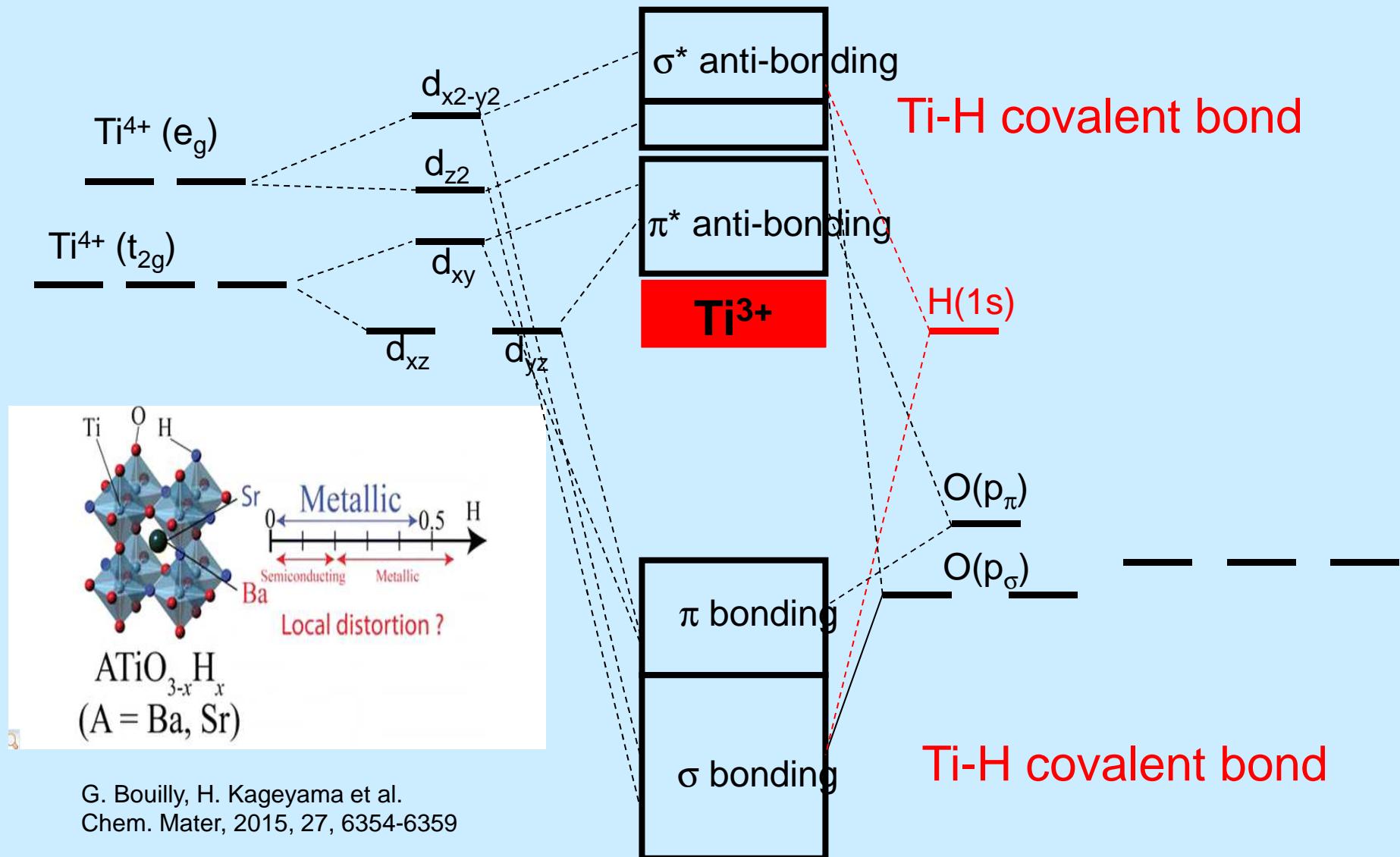


$\square$  Ti vacancies  
 → distorted Oh site →  
 Stabilization of CB  $\text{Ti}(3\text{d})$

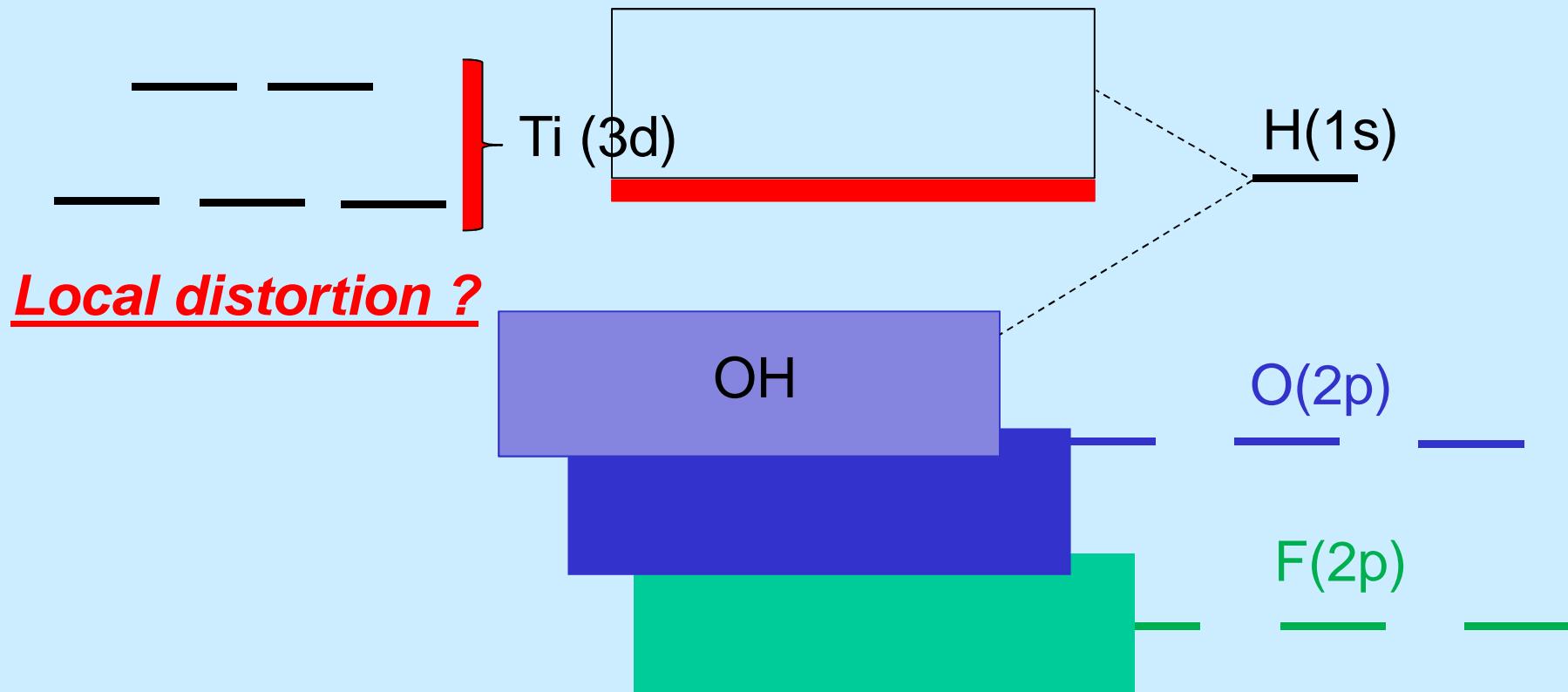
$\chi$  electronegativity  
 $\chi[\text{F}^-] > \chi[\text{O}^{2-}] > \chi[\text{OH}^-]$



# Ti-based Oxyhydrides with Perovskite network : ATiO<sub>3-x</sub>H<sub>x</sub> (A= Ba, Sr)

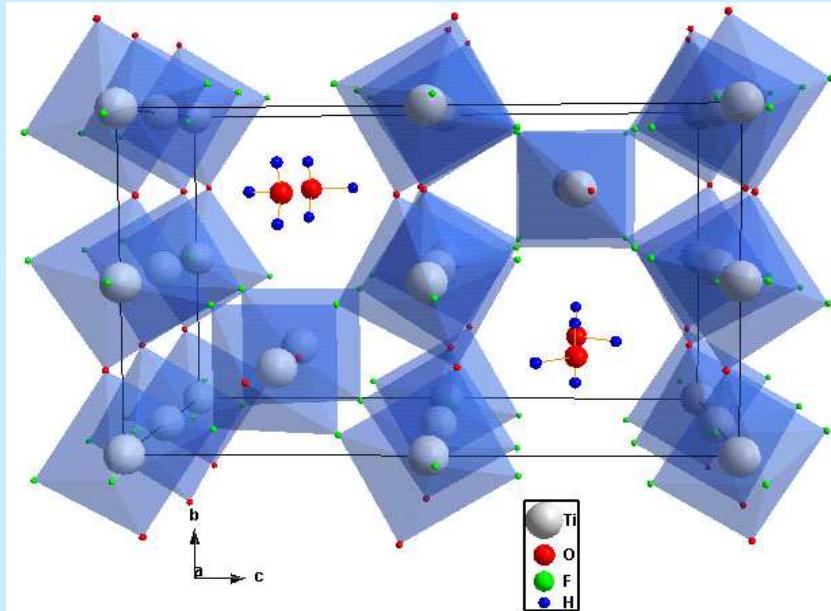


# Ti-based hydroxyfluorides and oxyhydrides : How to manage the band gap ?

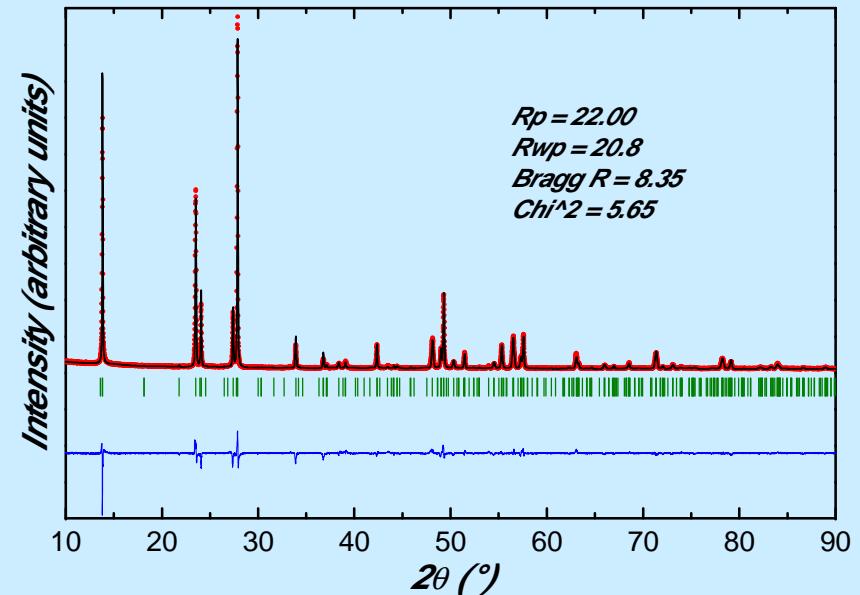


*Stabilization of oxy-hydroxy-fluorides ?*

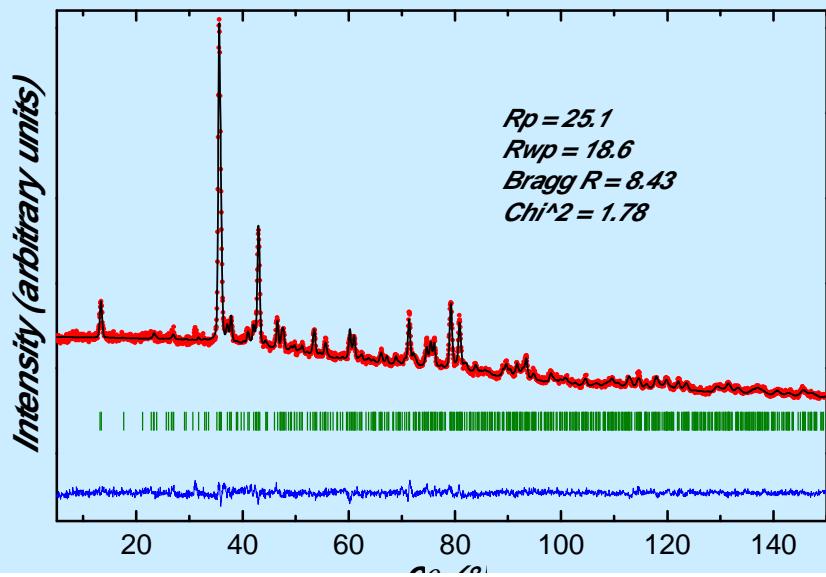
# Structural features of $\text{Ti}_{1-\epsilon}(\text{O},\text{OH},\text{F})_3$ HTB



$\text{Ti}_{0.93}\text{O}_{0.7}\text{OH}_{0.9}\text{F}_{1.4}$ , 0.27  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (TGA/density)  
Pnma,  $a = 7.5581(1)$  Å,  $b = 7.322(1)$  Å,  $c = 12.7893(2)$  Å



Powder XRD Rietveld Refinement  
( $\text{Cu K}\alpha \lambda = 1.5406$  Å)

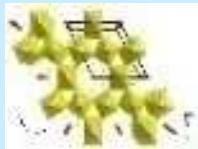
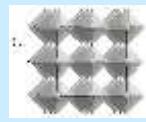


Powder Neutron Rietveld Refinement  
( $\lambda = 1.496$  Å, SINQ-SWI)

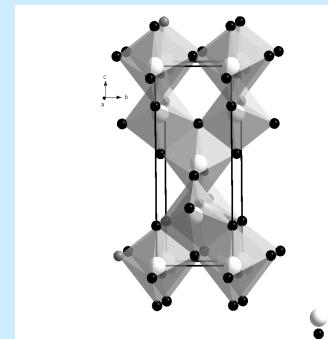
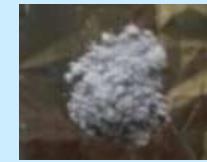
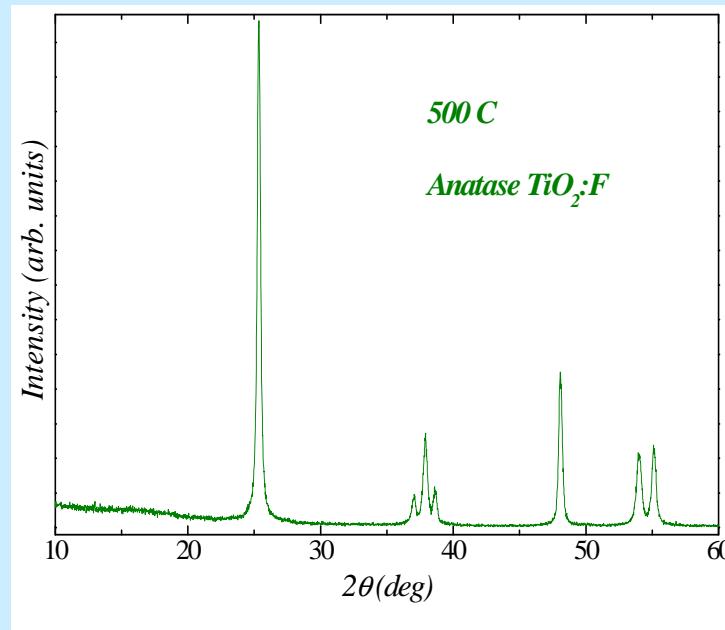
3  $\text{TiO}_2(\text{OH},\text{F})_4$  distorted octahedra (Neutrons) :

$\text{Ti}_1$  - 1.88-1.93 Å  $\text{F}_1/\text{F}_2/\text{O}_2$   
 $\text{Ti}_2$  - 1.90-1.96 Å  $\text{F}_1/\text{O}_3/\text{F}_3$   
 $\text{Ti}_3$  - 1.70-2.11 Å  $\text{O}_1/\text{F}_2/\text{F}_3$ - Ti vacancies

# From Ti-based oxy-hydroxy-fluorides with HTB-derived network to blue conductive Anatase $\text{TiO}_2:\text{F}$

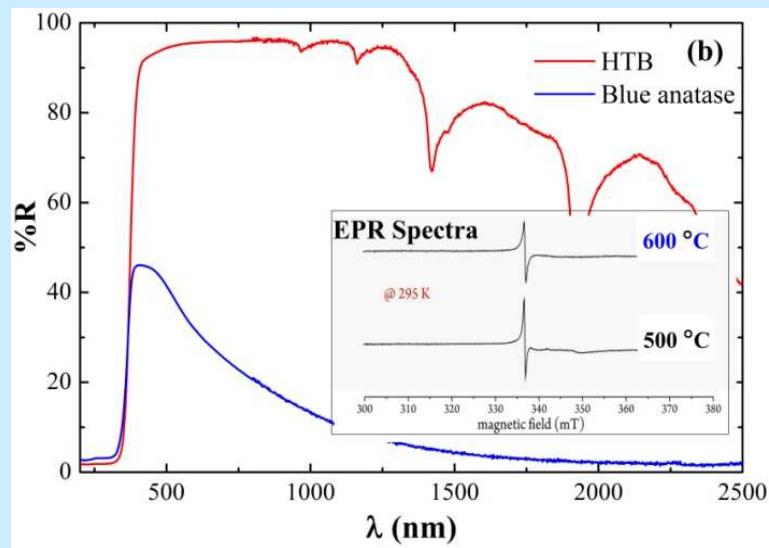


The key role of structural/electronic defects :  
 $\text{ReO}_3 - \text{Ti}_{0.75}(\text{OH})_{1.5}\text{F}_{1.5} \rightarrow \text{TiO}_2$  white ( $500^\circ\text{C}-600^\circ\text{C}$ )  
 $\text{HTB} - \text{Ti}_{0.93}\text{O}_{0.7}\text{OH}_{0.9}\text{F}_{1.4} \rightarrow \text{TiO}_2:\text{F}$  blue ( $500^\circ\text{C}-600^\circ\text{C}$ )

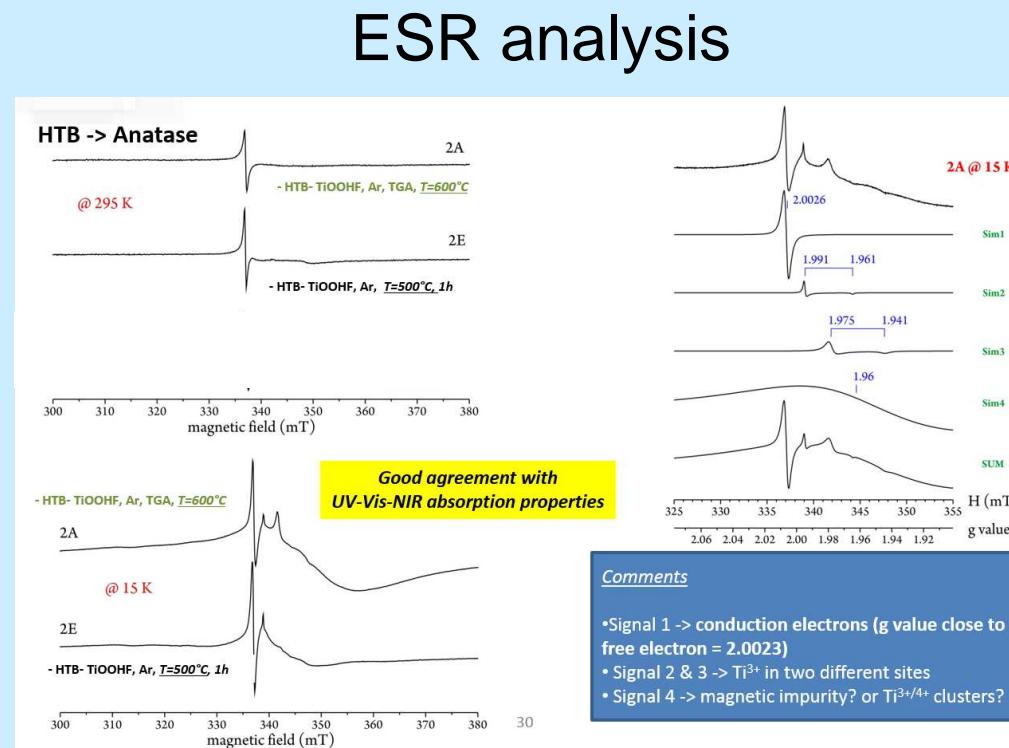
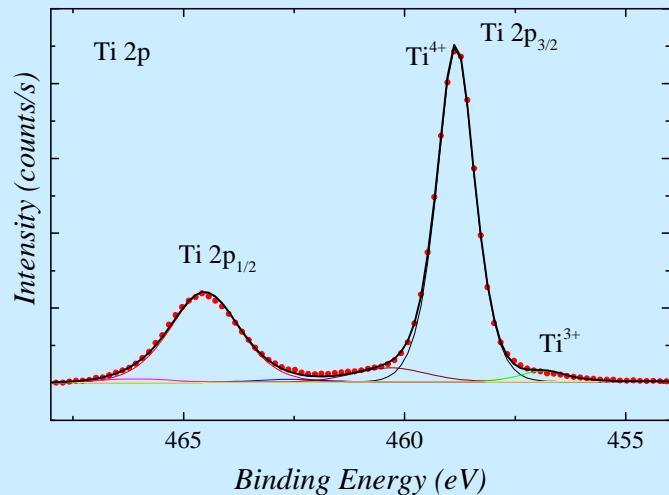


# Blue conductive Anatase $\text{TiO}_2:\text{F}$

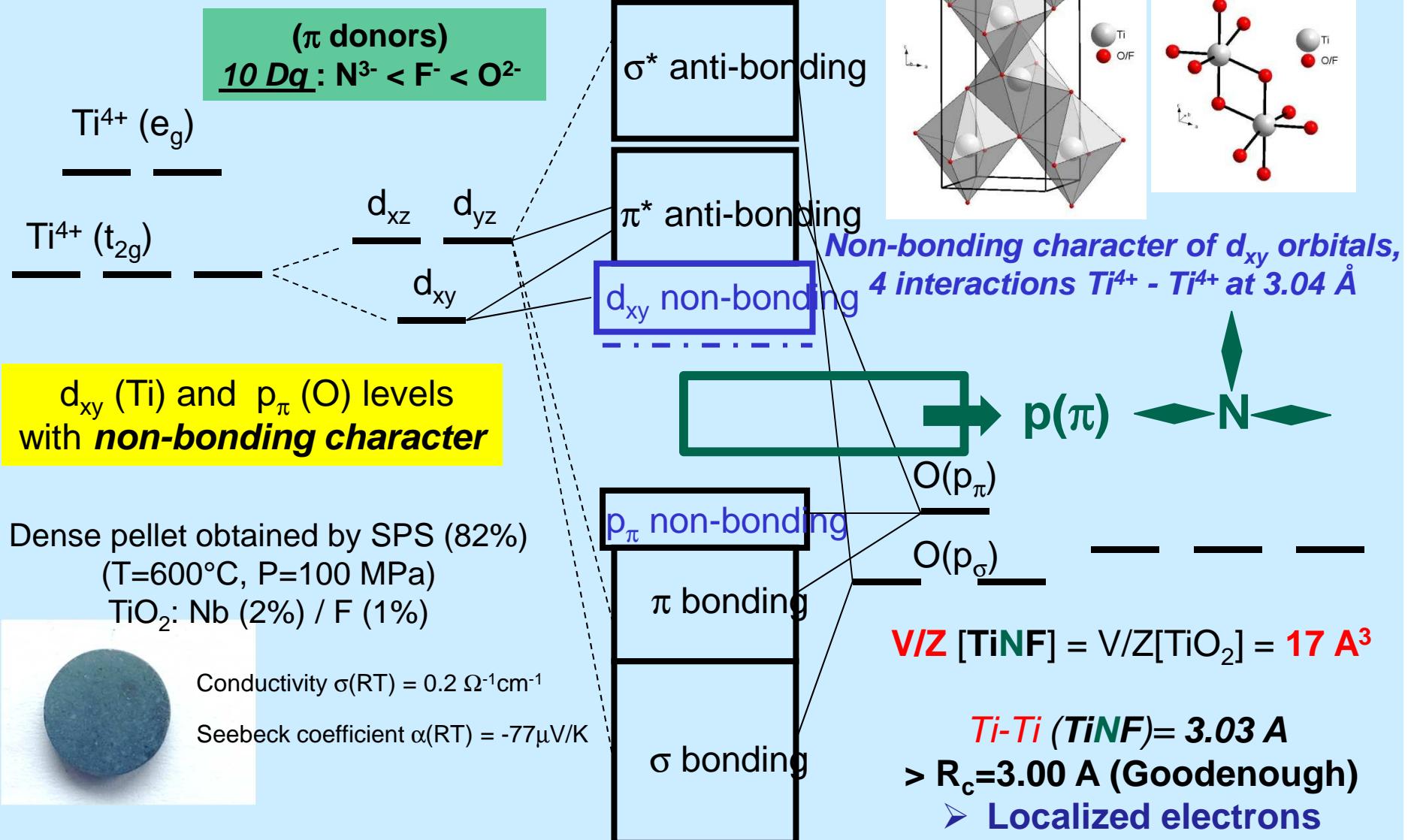
## Strong UV and NIR absorption, conduction $e^-$ and $\text{Ti}^{3+}$ .



## XPS analysis



# Anatase-TiO<sub>2</sub> and orbital molecular diagram : Generation of defects induced by mixed anions compounds



# Conclusions

How to build mixed anions 2D network ?

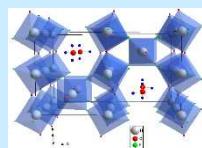
- The simple key role of electronegativity  $\chi$  and polarisability  $1/\eta$  of elements
  - Hard-Hard and Soft-Soft Acid-Base rule
- $\sum n_i(M_i)v_i/Cn_i$  ( $M_i$  with lower  $\chi$ ) =  $\sum Z_i$  ( $X_i$  with higher  $\chi$ ) (extension of 2<sup>nd</sup> Pauling rule)

The main networks :

- **Ionic blocks (F/O) vs covalent sheets (S/Se)**
- **Fluorite, Perovskite, Rocksalt** vs anti-Fluorite, anti-CuO<sub>2</sub>, Würtzite, ...

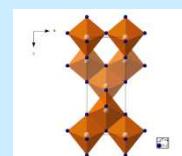
The key role of F<sup>-</sup> : the highest  $\chi$  and its anomalous properties !

*Designing new compounds (tuning M<sup>n+</sup> oxidation states)*



*2D/3D Ribbons (S<sup>2-</sup>, O<sup>2-</sup>, F<sup>-</sup>)*

*vs 3D (OH<sup>-</sup>, O<sup>2-</sup>, F<sup>-</sup>, H<sup>+</sup>) networks / zig-zag chains*



*Tuning the band gap and opto-electronic properties  
by playing with competitive bonds around M<sup>n+</sup>*

*Precursors to generate defects into oxides*