

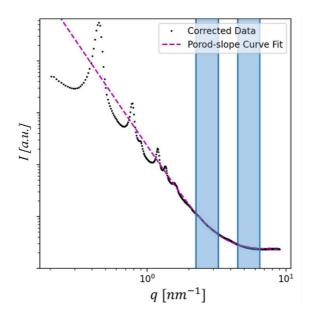
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Optimizing surfactant removal from a soft-templated ordered mesoporous carbon precursor: an *in situ* SAXS study

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## S1. Data treatment

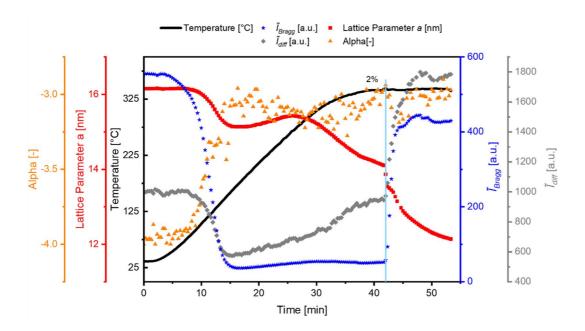


**Figure S1** Example power law fit using equation 7 in the highlighted blue area, as described in the SAXS data treatment and fitting procedure.

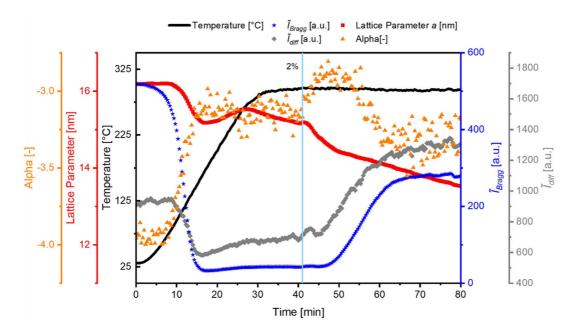
Figure S1 shows the area where equation 7 was evaluated and depicts the fitted curve. The part between the two blue regions was excluded because of some remnants of a non-perfectly subtracted peak from the Kapton window of the SAXS flight tube. Values above q = 6.5 nm<sup>-1</sup> were omitted because of a starting increase of the SAXS curve, presumably due to an intermolecular structure factor of the material.

## S2. Structural parameters and integrated intensities

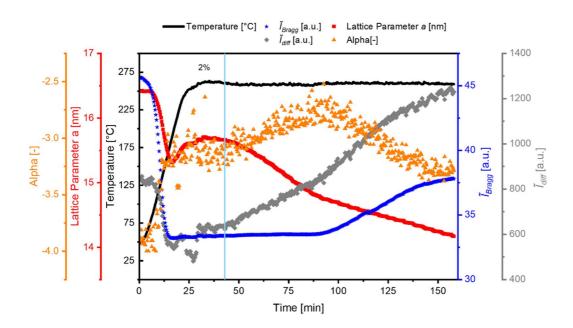
Figures S2-S5 depict the full evaluation of the in-situ SAXS data for the four samples presented in Figure 4. The mesostructure/mesopore diameter is not shown.



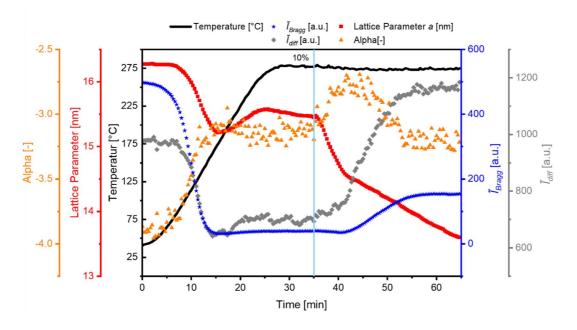
**Figure S2** Progression of in-situ SAXS derived structural parameters and integrated intensities for heating in  $N_2$  atmosphere followed by calcination at 340 °C in a 2 mol-%  $O_2$  and  $N_2$  atmosphere.



**Figure S3** Progression of in-situ SAXS derived structural parameters and integrated intensities for heating in  $N_2$  atmosphere followed by calcination at 290 °C in a 2 mol-%  $O_2$  and  $N_2$  atmosphere.



**Figure S4** Progression of in-situ SAXS derived structural parameters and integrated intensities for heating in  $N_2$  atmosphere followed by calcination at 260 °C in a 2 mol-%  $O_2$  and  $N_2$  atmosphere.

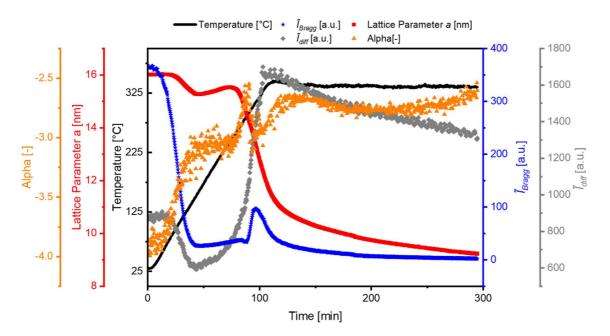


**Figure S5** Progression of in-situ SAXS derived structural parameters and integrated intensities for heating in  $N_2$  atmosphere followed by calcination at 275 °C in a 10 mol-%  $O_2$  and  $N_2$  atmosphere.

## S3. Structural degradation

Figure S6 shows the evaluation of the in-situ SAXS parameters for a sample heated at high temperature under a high oxygen content. Please not that differently from all other samples, here the

oxygen was provided from the very beginning of heating and not only after reaching the final temperature.



**Figure S6** Progression of in-situ SAXS derived structural parameters and integrated intensities for heating in a 10 mol-%  $O_2$  and  $N_2$  atmosphere to a temperature of 335 °C.