

超高速時間分解 XAFS 測定法による半導体から助触媒への電荷移動観測

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Loading of metal or metal oxide nanoparticles onto the semiconductor photocatalyst surface has been well known to be a useful strategy to enhance photocatalytic water splitting. One of these particles, which are called cocatalysts, loading effect is capturing of exited holes or electrons which are generated in the semiconductor. In this meeting, we observed the carrier transfer from semiconductor (N and F co-doped TiO₂ as visible light driven photocatalyst; TiO₂; N,F) to IrO₂ as a water oxidation cocatalyst in picoseconds scale by means of pump-probe XAFS measurement. As the result of difference spectrum between before and after photoirradiation, IrO₂ which is loaded onto TiO₂; N,F was slightly oxidized due to pump laser irradiation. On the other hand, valence state of Ir in single IrO₂ or IrO₂ loaded Al₂O₃ was not changed under same photoirradiation. Hence, it is suggested that hole injection from TiO₂; N,F to IrO₂ was observed by pump-probe XAFS.

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半導体光触媒による水分解反応は、触媒表面に助触媒を担持することによって活性が向上する¹。助触媒担持効果の一つに、半導体内部で生成した電子や正孔を助触媒が捕捉し、電荷分離を促進することが考えられている。本研究では放射光を用いたポンププローブ型の時間分解 XAFS 測定を実施することで、半導体である N,F 共ドーピング TiO₂ (TiO₂; N,F) から助触媒である IrO₂ への、光吸収に伴う電荷移動をピコ秒の時間スケールで調べた。励起光照射前後の差スペクトルを比較したところ、TiO₂; N,F 表面の IrO₂ は、光照射に伴う電子の欠損が生じていた。他方で、IrO₂ コロイド溶液や、IrO₂ 担持 Al₂O₃ では Ir の電子状態変化は見られなかった。以上の結果から、TiO₂; N,F から IrO₂ への正孔移動が可視化されたものと考えられる。

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