

Fabrication of porous polymeric materials "Monoliths"

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What is monolith ?

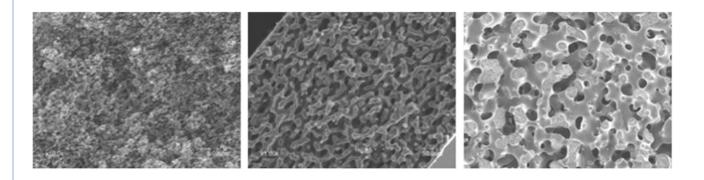
Monolith is a three-dimensional porous material having bicontinuous structure. It has attracted much attention as a novel porous material due to its large permeability, and has enormous potential in applications for separation and adsorption media.

Well-controlled bicontinuous structure of monolith

Epoxy-based polymer monoliths are prepared by phase separation during polymerization of epoxy resin in porogenic solvent. Polymerization temperature and/or amount of porogenic solvent adjust structure of monolith, such as pore size and porosity.

Functionalization of monolith

Surface of epoxy-based polymer monoliths is chemically modified by several functional groups, and therefore, the monoliths have additional function as needed, such as hydrophilic or hydrophobic surface, and selective adsorptivity.



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