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Role of intermediate amorphous phases in CeO2 mesocrystal formation

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In this work we shed the light on the mechanism of mesocrystals formation. We use the process of gammaradiation induced synthesis of CeO2 mesocrystals as a model reaction, and perform time dependent studies using combination of different techniques including energy-filtered electron radial distribution function analysis and in-situ TEM. We follow the reaction from the very early stages showing the role of intermediate amorphous phases at each stage. The work is published in Angewandte Chemie.

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