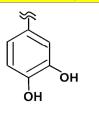
## Inorganic Nanoparticles

Inorganic nanoparticles coated with block copolymers containing catechol segments

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## 1. Introduction

Catechol segment



We invented new block copolymers containing Catechol segments. Major characteristics of the materials are...

- 1. No reducing agent is required.
- 2. No purification process is required.
- 3. The Catechol segments capture firmly inorganic nanoparticles(ex. metal ion).
- 4. The block copolymers with inorganic nanoparticles are adhered firmly to substrates.

**Block Copolymer** 

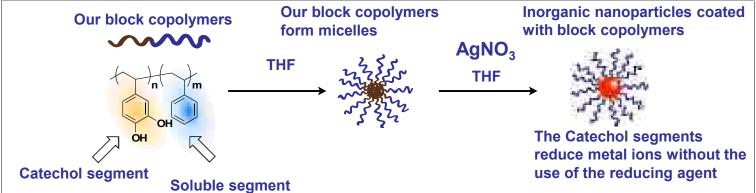
500 nm

**Block Copolymer** 

+ Ag NPs

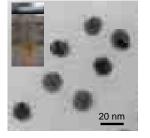
## 2. Process

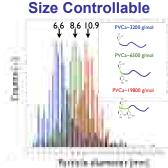
The inorganic nanoparticles are formed in the micelles without using the reducing agent by our block copolymers containing Catechol segments in the side chain.



## 3. Experiment, Data, Characteristics

**Fine Metal Nanoparticles** 







- Wiring
- Single-electron transistor

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