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Effect of Sonication and Grinding on the Structure of Amorphous Carbon

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This work reports that on prolong sonication (3hr) and on grinding (30min) the structure of freshly prepared hydrogenated amorphous carbon obtained by the pyrolysis of benzene changes considerably.

The d_{002} line particularly changes from 3.28 Å to 3.81Å (sonication) and to 3.65Å (grinding), evident from electron diffraction studies. d_{002} line is also broadened in both the cases. FTIR studies reveal that on both the cases sp^3CH_2 (sym) and sp^3CH_2 (asym) stretching modes at 2920 and 2850 cm^{-1} respectively shrinks, suggesting depletion of aliphatic hydrogen. On the other hand 1600 cm^{-1} band assigned to aromatic ring stretching becomes more prominent in both the cases, suggesting increase in aromatic carbon content.

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