

# Organische Adsorbate und Elektrokatalyse

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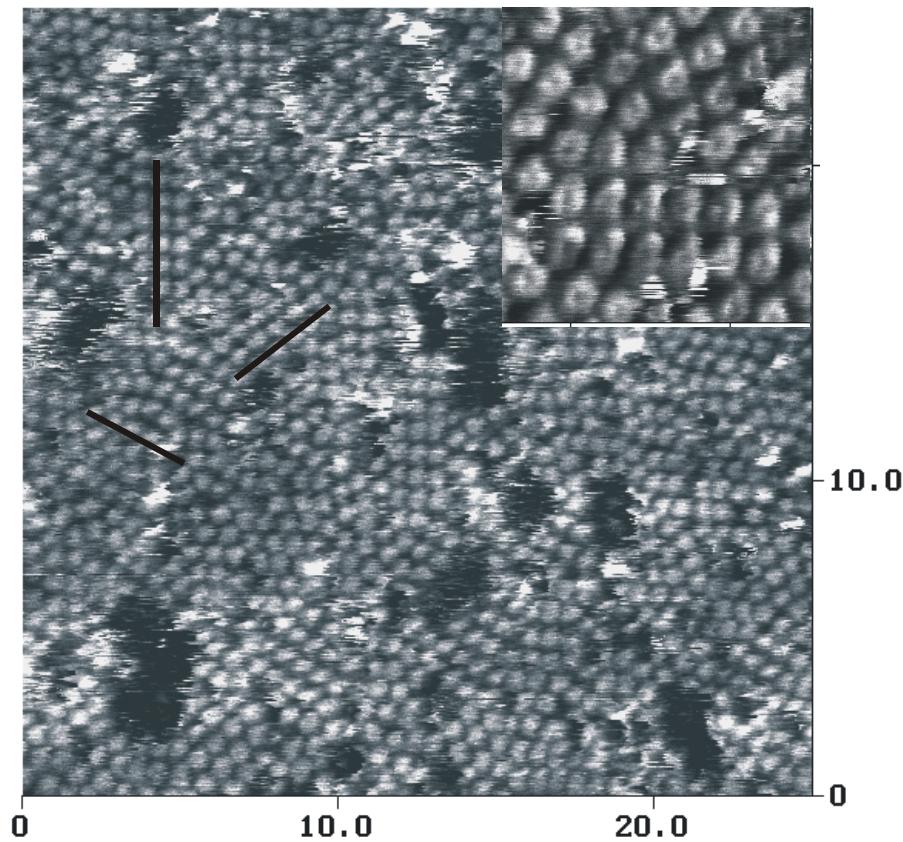
Motivation:

1. Vergleich zur fest/Gas Grenzfläche („akademisch“)
2. Bedeutung in Galvanik und Korrosion (Damaszen-Prozess)
3. Intermediate in Brennstoffzelle (Energie) etc.
4. Reibung

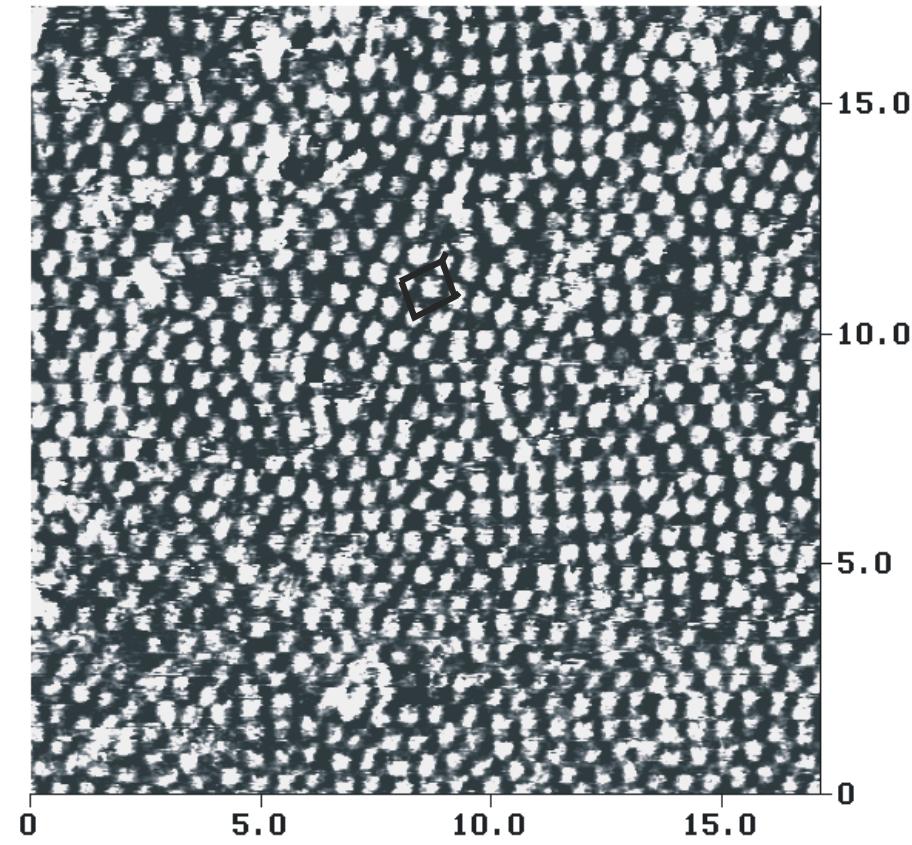
## Grundlegende Fragen:

- assoziative oder dissoziative Adsorption
- Orientierung, atomare Zusammensetzung und Struktur des Adsorbatmoleküls
- Stabilität des Adsorbates, Reversibilität der Adsorption, Abhängigkeit von c und E
- Welches sind die Desorptionsreaktionen
- Welchen Einfluss hat die atomare Oberflächenstruktur?
- Welchen Einfluss hat eine zweite metallische Komponente im Substrat? (Kokatalysatoren, bimetallische Katalysatoren)

## Benzene on Pt(111) in sulfuric acid: STM



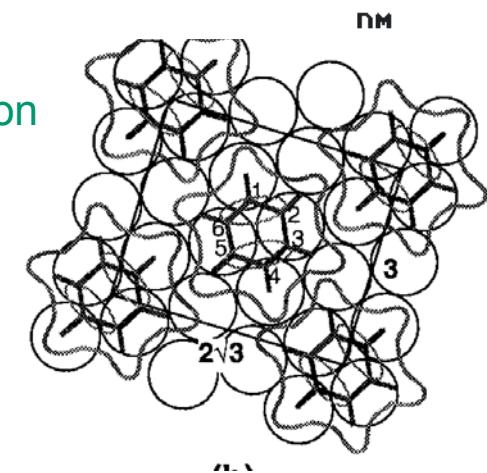
in benzene containing solution  
at 0.5 V vs RHE. Es, 0.5 V,  $E_b$ ,  
20 mV,  $I_t$ , 2 nA.



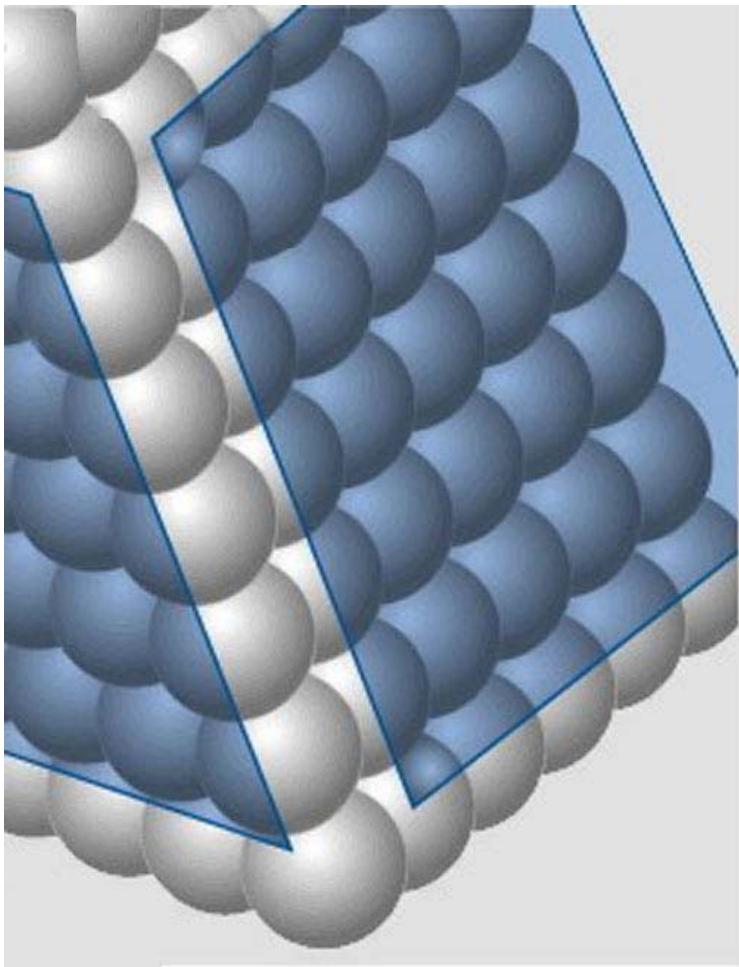
in pure sulfuric acid sol.  
=> irreversible Adsorption

real space model for the (111)-  
 $c(2\sqrt{3} \times 3)$ rect benzene adlattice  
on Rh(111), Pt(111) ( $\theta = 0.17$ )

S. L. Yau, Y. G. Kim, K. Itaya,  
JACS 1996, 118, 7795.



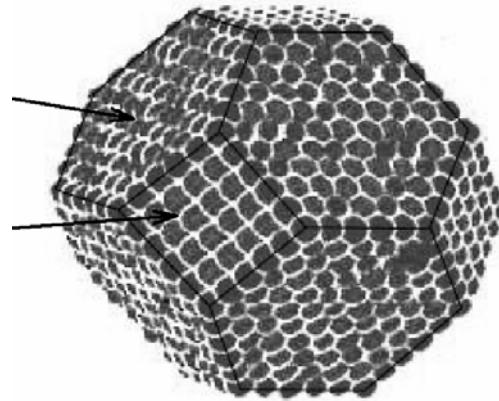
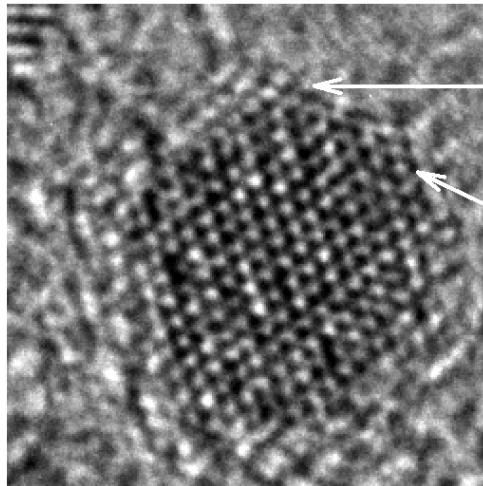
## Kristalle - Oberflächen





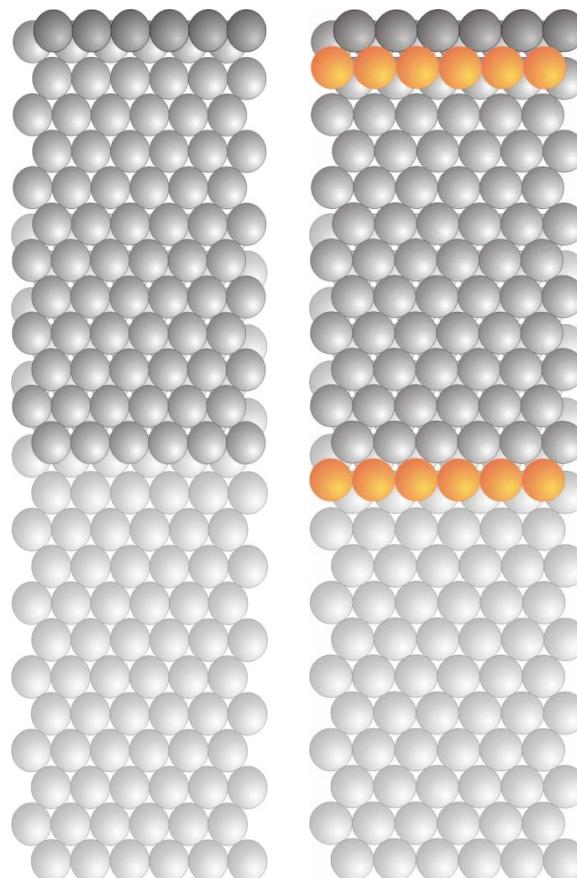
Baltruschat, 2012

# Stepped surfaces

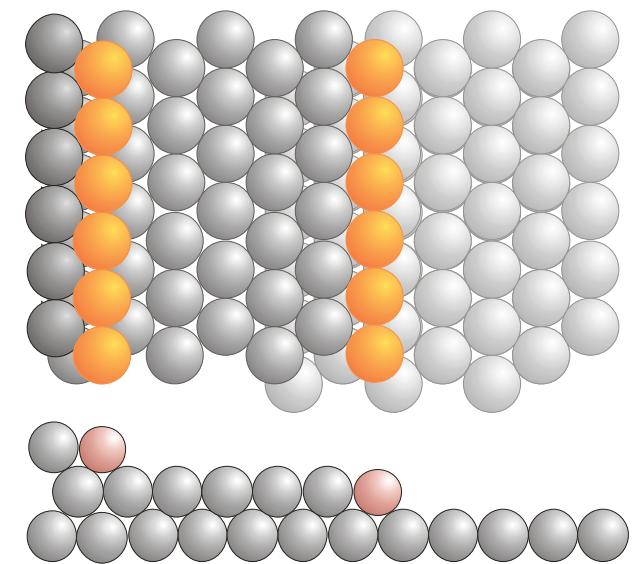


Markovic (Fuel cells)

$\text{Pt}(665) = \text{Pt}[12(111)x(111)]$



$\text{Pt}(332) = \text{Pt}[6(111)x(111)]$



step decoration on Pt by:

Cu, Ag, Sn, Ru, Mo, Bi, Ge,.....

also: Au/Pd

ordered bimetallic surfaces: - help to understand mechanism  
- benchmark for practical catalysts

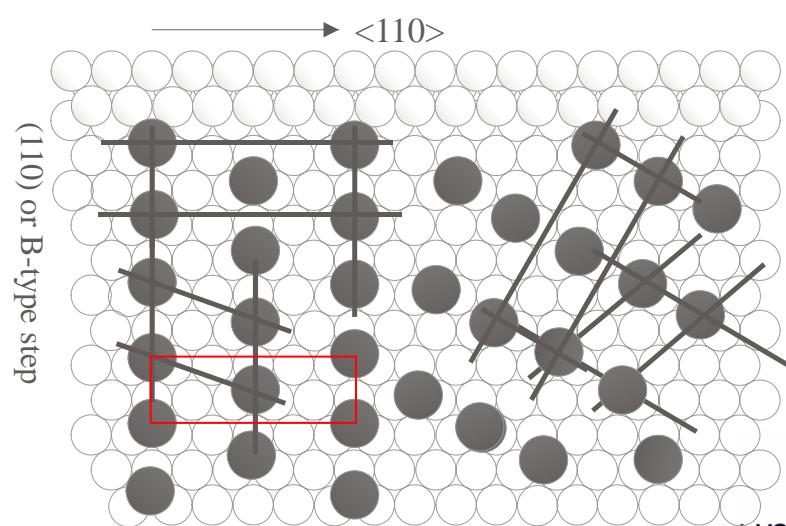
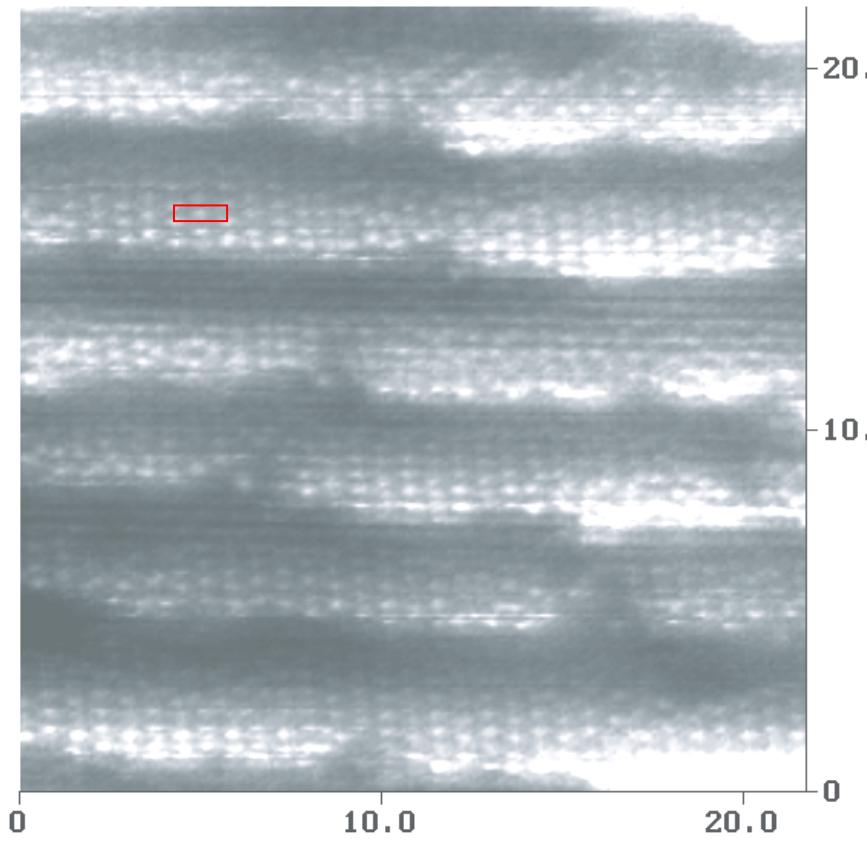


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# Cu – UPD covered Pt(665).

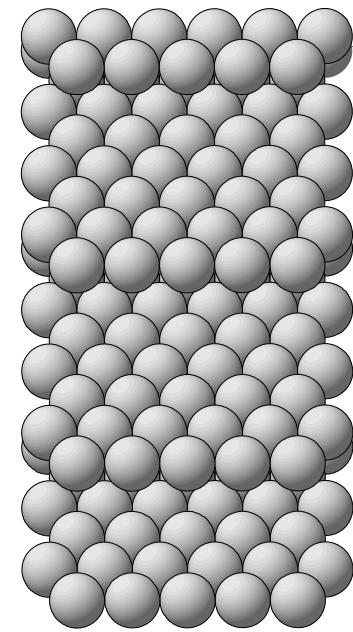
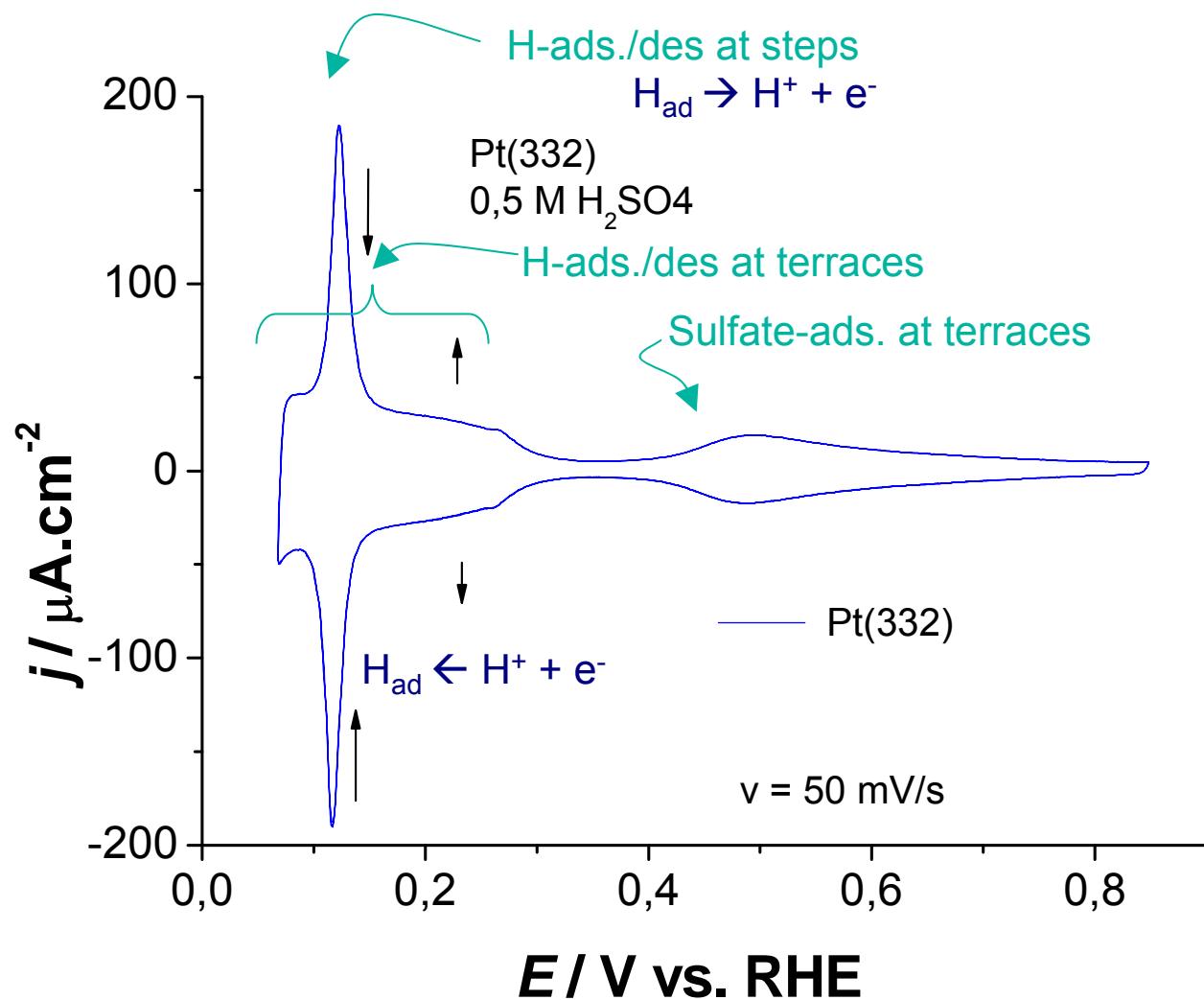
0.05 M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> + 4x10<sup>-4</sup> M CuSO<sub>4</sub>,  
at 0.15 V vs Cu/Cu<sup>2+</sup>  
E<sub>t</sub>: 200 mV, I<sub>t</sub>: 1 nA.

p( $\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{7}$ ) = c( $\sqrt{3} \times 5$ )rect  
lattices of adsorbed sulfate



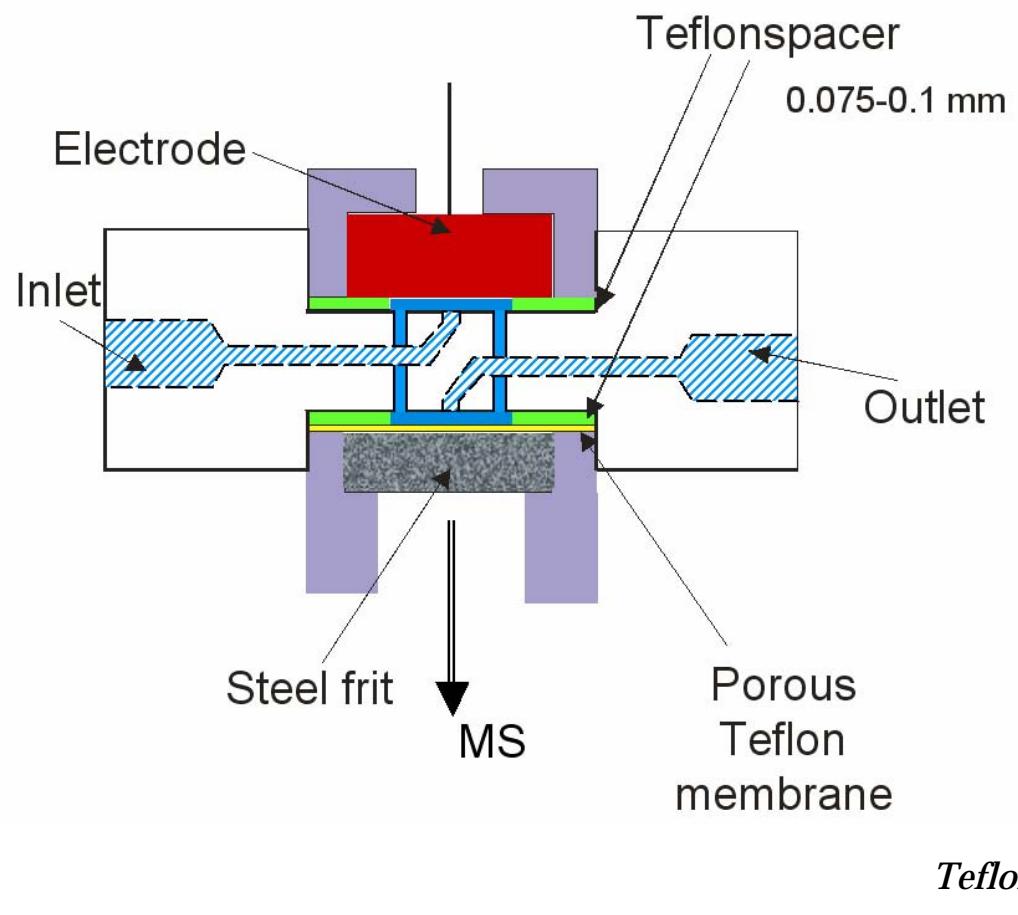
# Charakterisierung

- Cyclische Voltammetrie
- STM, AFM
- XPS, LEED (nach Transfer ins UHV)
- Indirekt: elektrochemische Massenspektrometrie
- Oberflächen IR, surface enhanced Raman spectroscopy (SERS)



$\text{Pt}(332) =$   
 $\text{Pt(S)[6(111)x(111)]}$

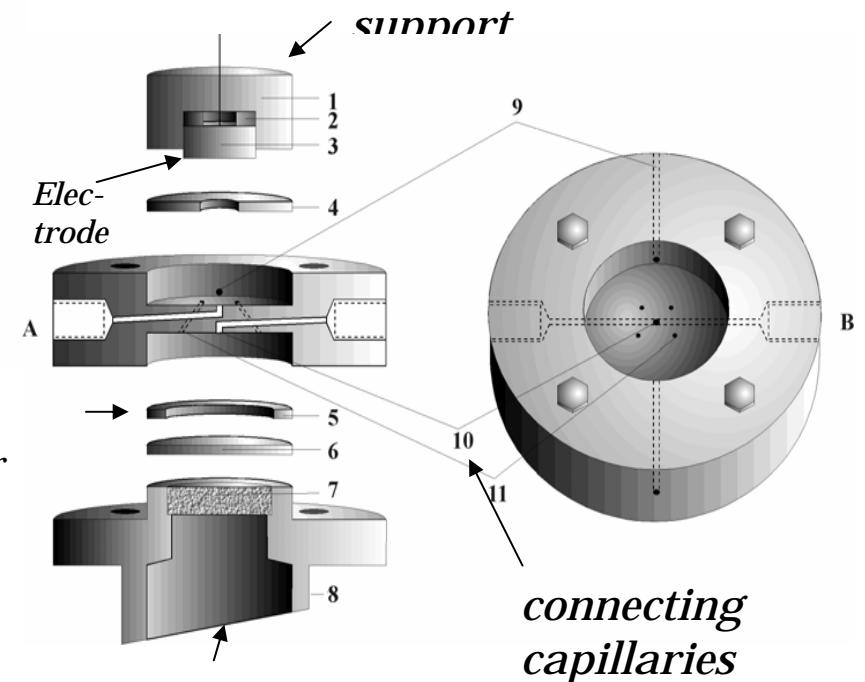
## Products: flow through cell for DEMS



Differentielle elektrochemische  
Massenspektrometrie

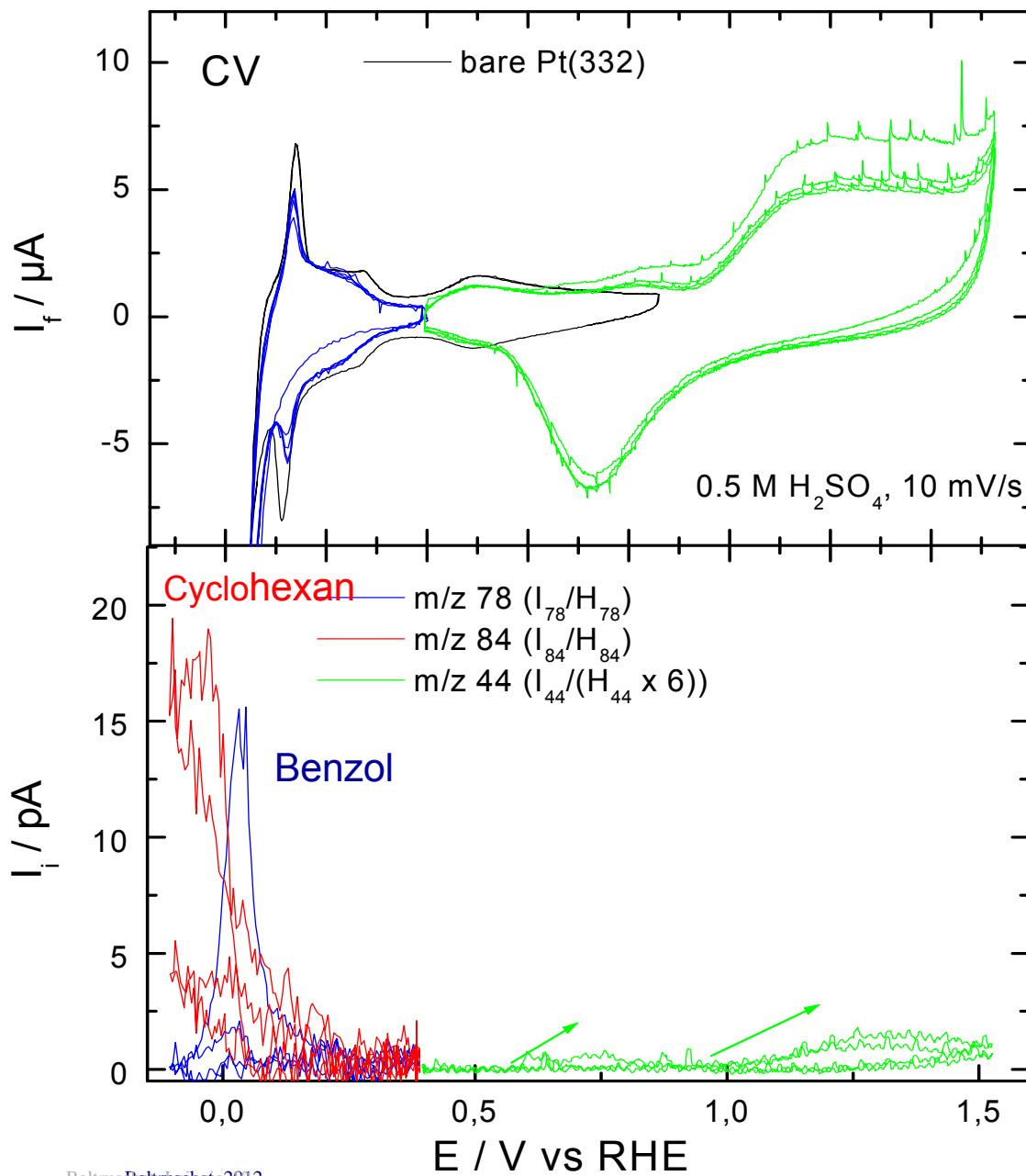
die Elektrochemie macht Spass

- Best suited for continuous reactions
- Also suited for desorption reactions
- Defined convection and diffusion
- Detection limit:  $0.1 \text{ ML} \cong 0.1 \text{ nmol}$

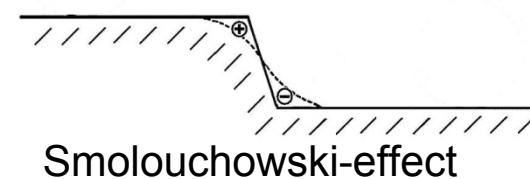


Jusys, Z., H. Massong, H. Baltruschat. (1999).  
Journal of the Electrochemical Society 146: 1093..

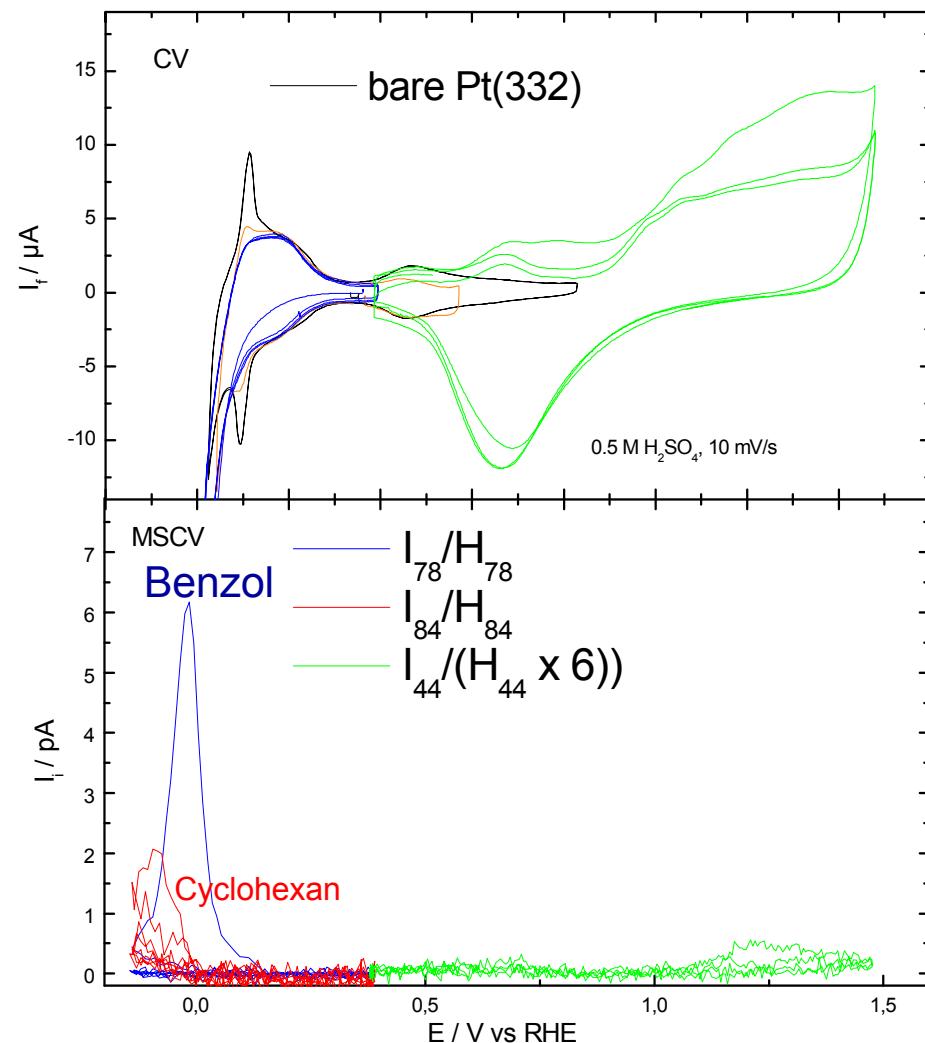
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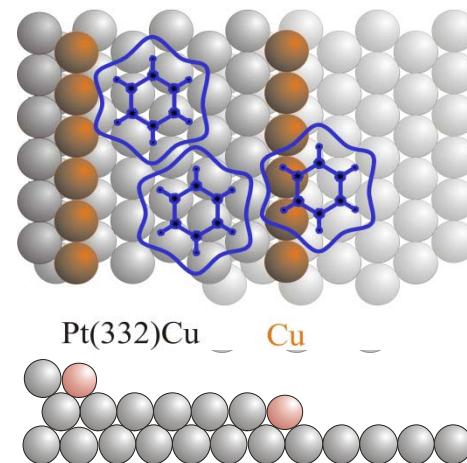
Pt(111): no hydrogenation  
Pt(110): complete hydrogenation  
Pt(332): 80% hydrogenation  
geometric – steric effects  
electronic effects  
**steps are the reactive sites!**



# Pt(332)/Cu : cathodic desorption of adsorbed benzene

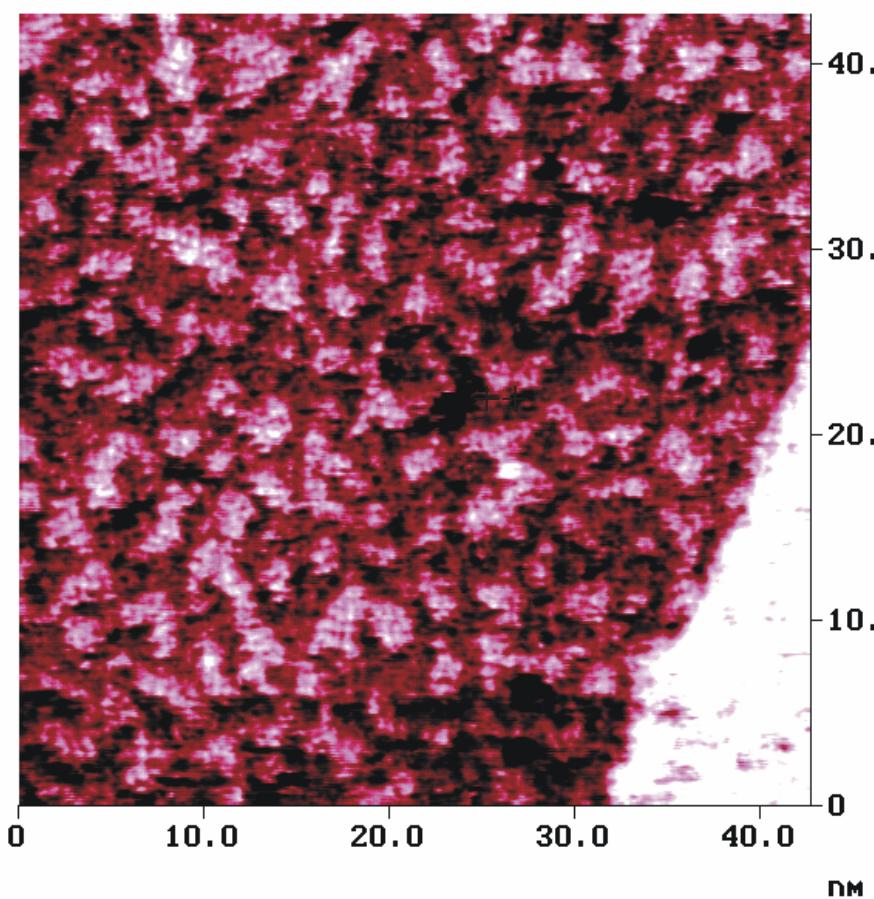


$\text{Pt}(332) = \text{Pt}[6(111)\times(111)]$



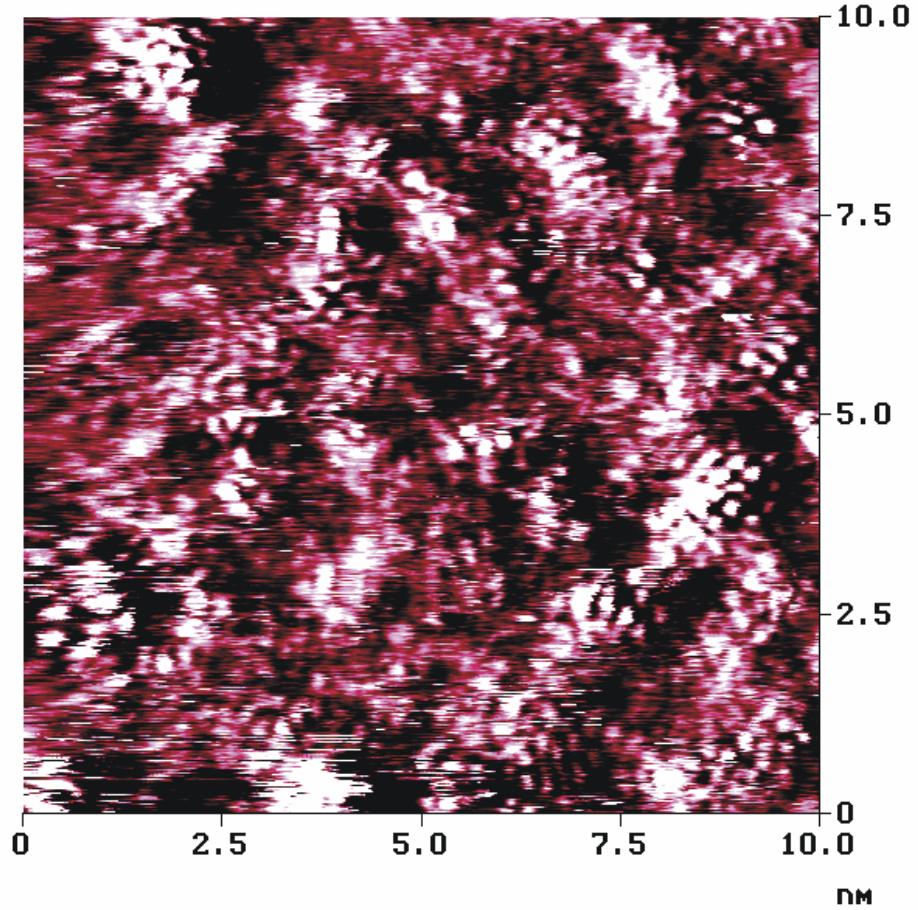
suppression of hydrogenation by step decoration

## Structure of adsorbed ethene on Pt(111):

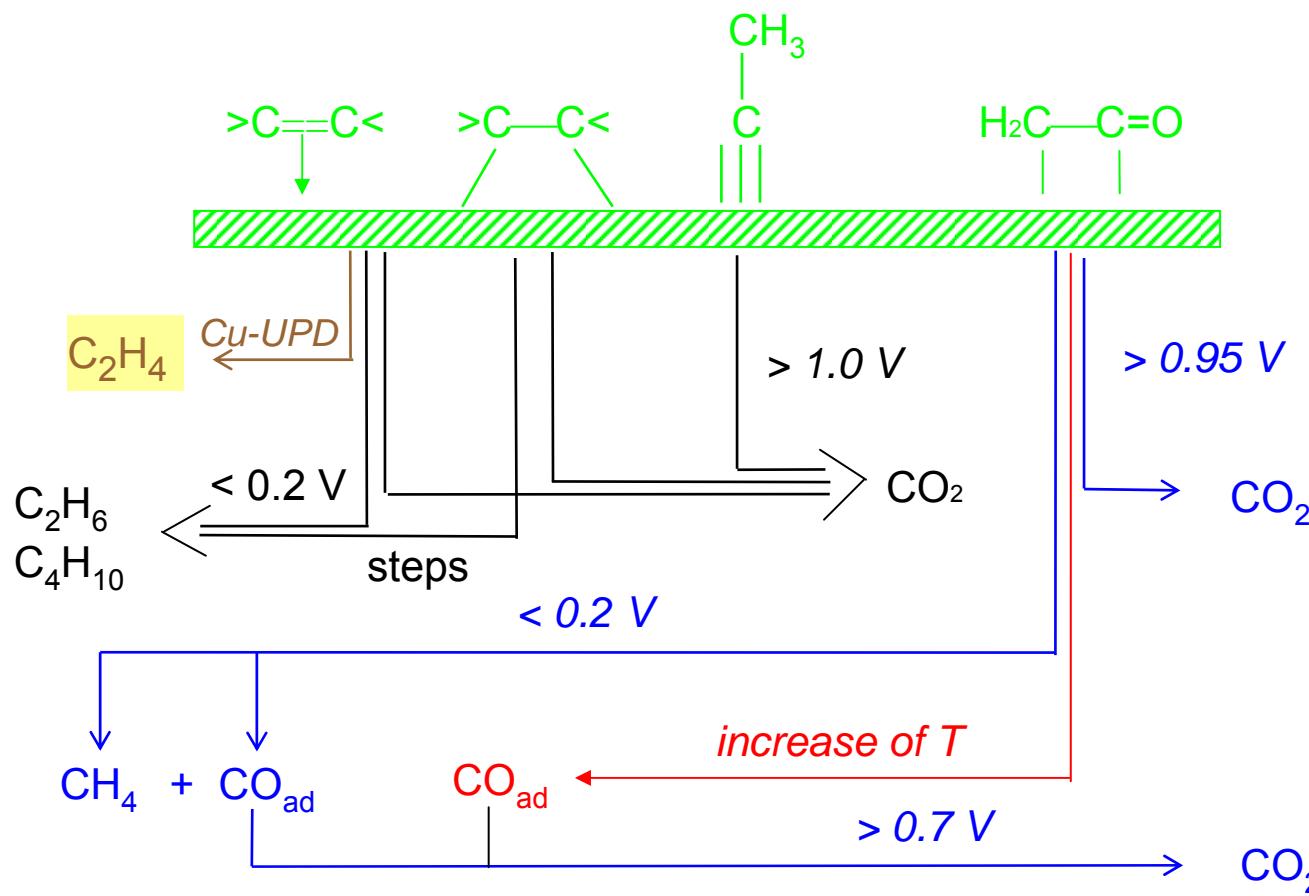
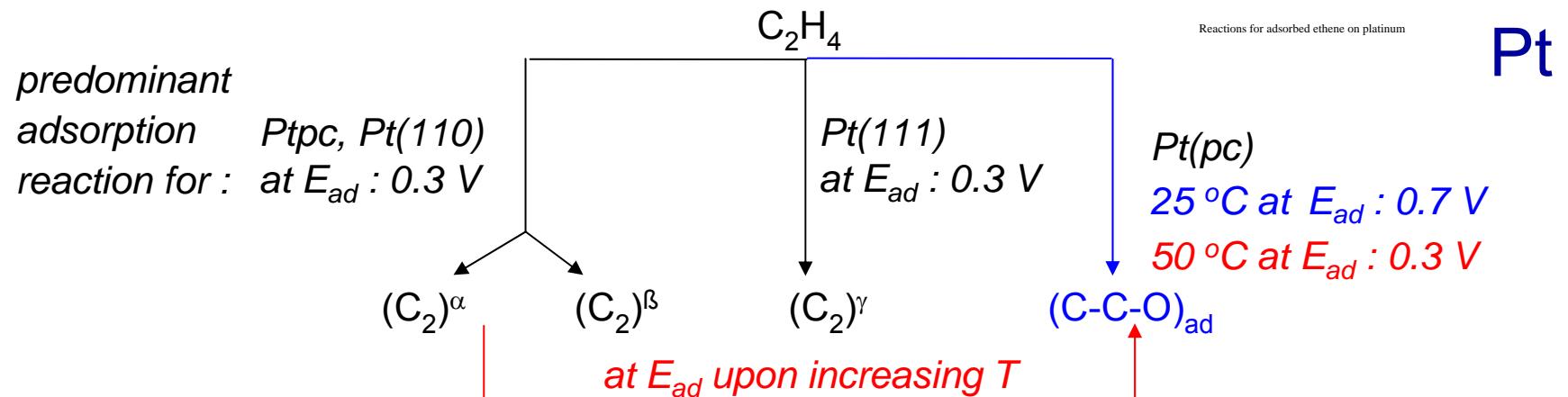


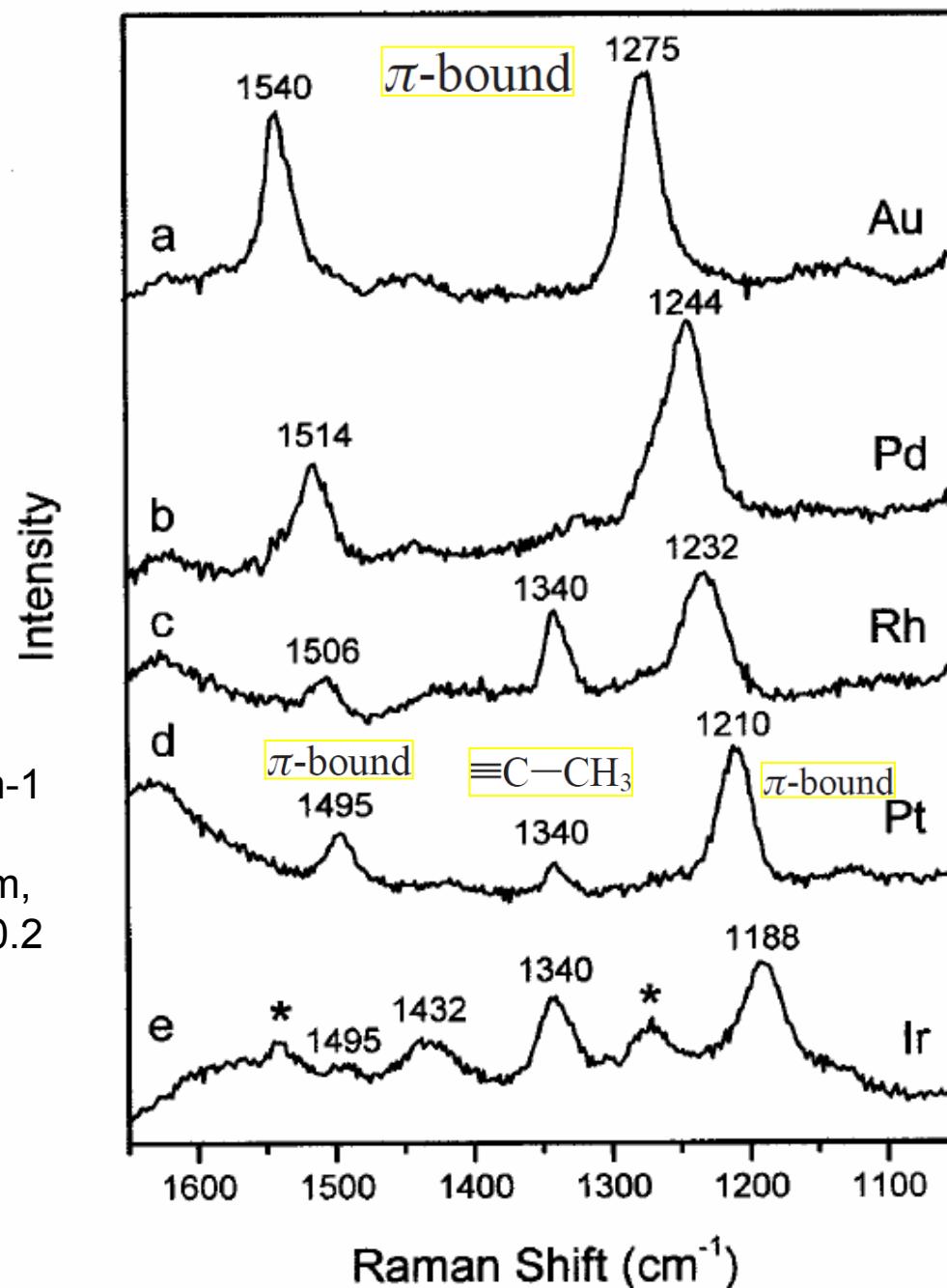
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In sulphuric acid solution  
Ads. potential:  
~0.3 V vs Cu / Cu



x91  
very small ordered domains  
with distance between  
maxima: ~0.3 nm

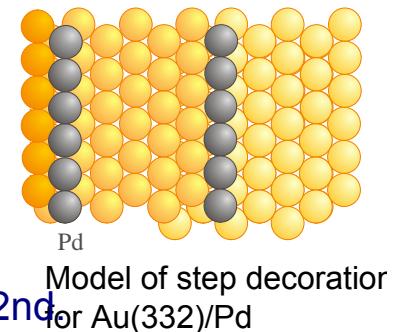
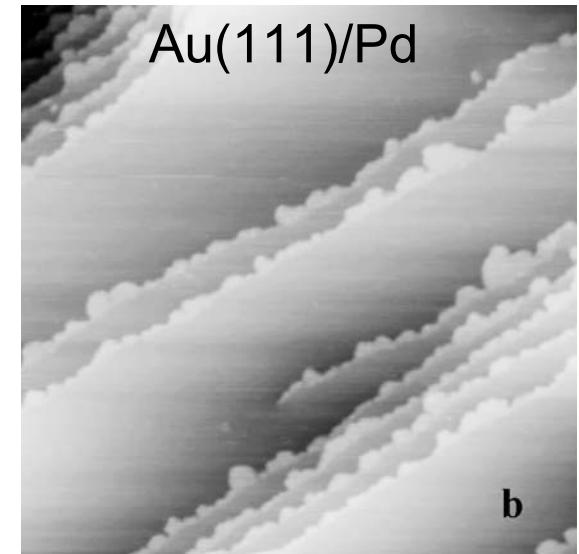
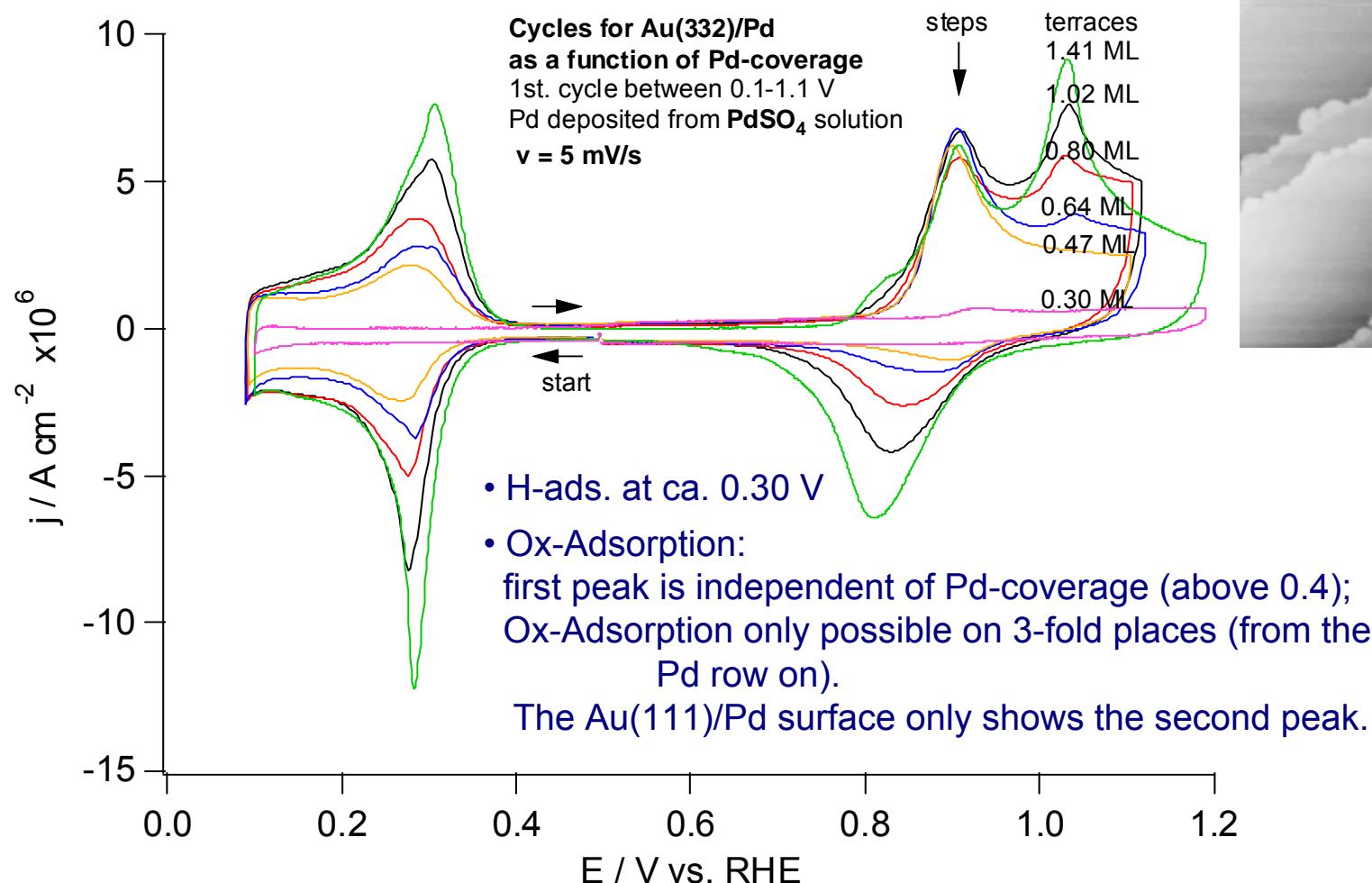




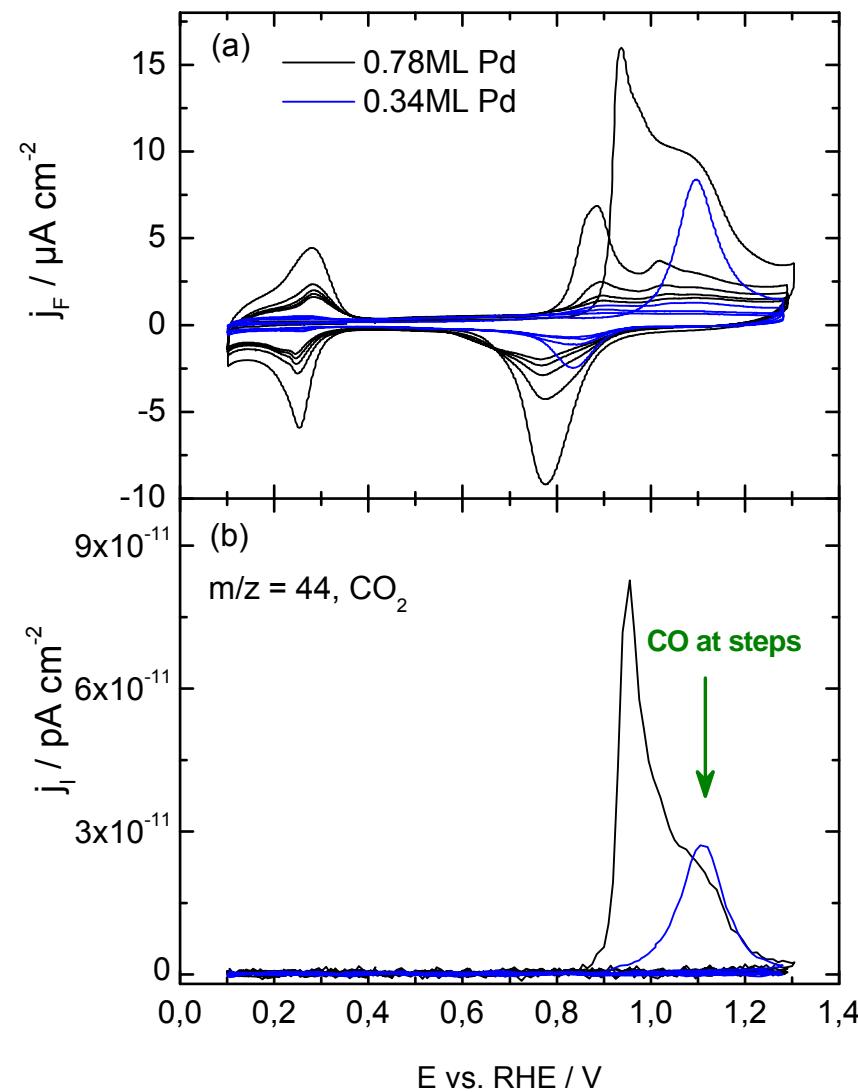
Representative SER spectra in  $1050\text{-}1650\text{ cm}^{-1}$  region for ethylene chemisorption on (a) unmodified gold and (b) palladium, (c) rhodium, (d) platinum, and (e) iridium films on gold at -0.2 V vs SCE in  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4$ -saturated 0.1 M  $\text{HClO}_4$ .

M. F. Mrozek and M. J. Weaver, Journal of Physical Chemistry B 105:8931 (2001).

# Au(332)/Pd



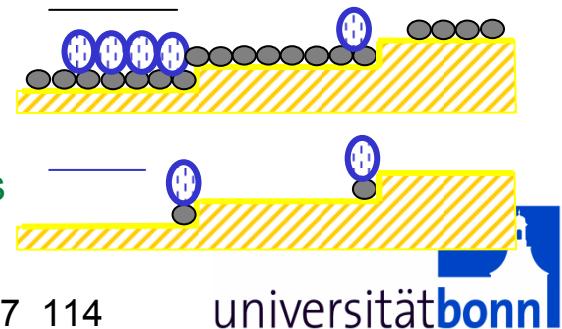
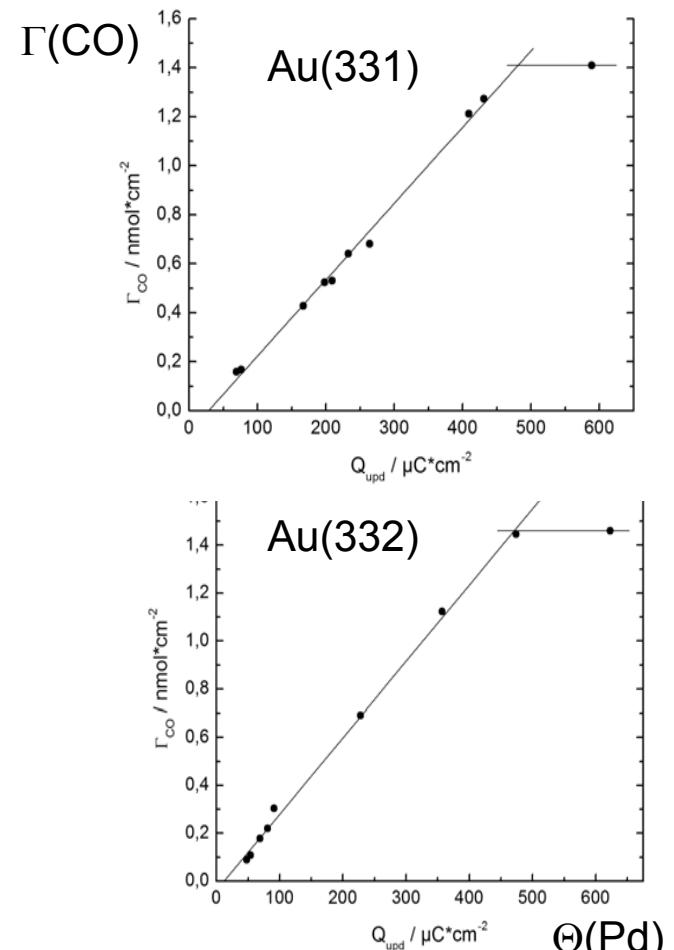
# CO oxidation on Pd/Au(332): DEMS



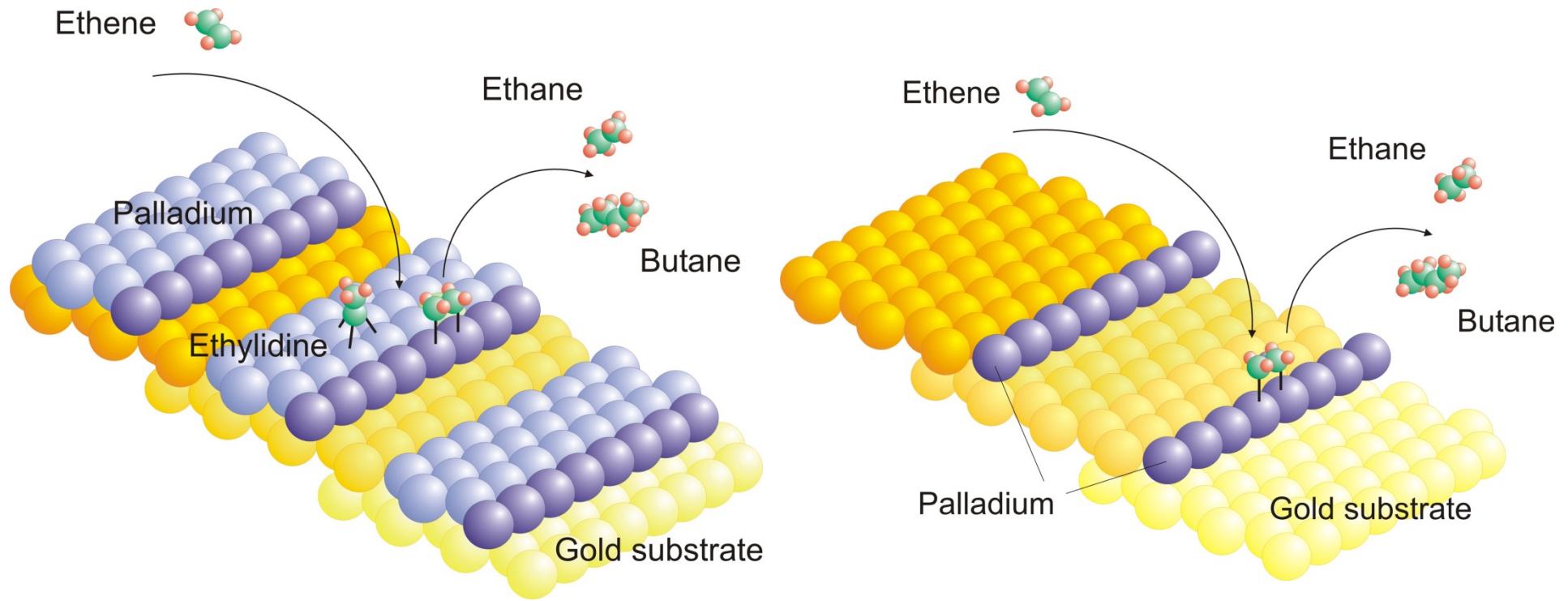
- CO at steps (Pd/Au) oxidised in the 2<sup>nd</sup> peak  $\Rightarrow$  higher stability
- but: steps necessary for the 1<sup>st</sup> peak to appear  $\Rightarrow$  CO diffuses to steps

Steidtner, J.; Hernandez, F.; Baltruschat, H. *J. Phys. Chem. C* **2007** *111*, 12320

cf. Au(111) miscut'/ Pd: El-Aziz, L.A. Kibler, J. *Electroanal. Chem.* **534** (2002) 107–114



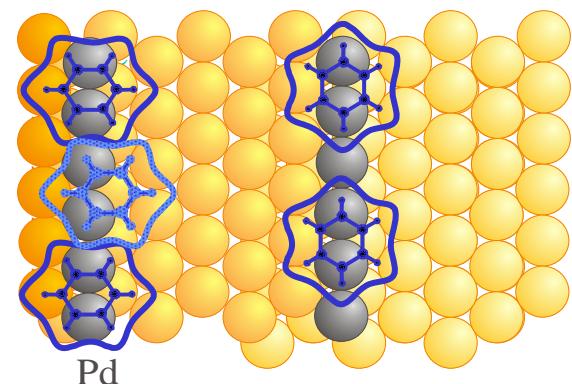
# Cathodic desorption of ethene and ethine



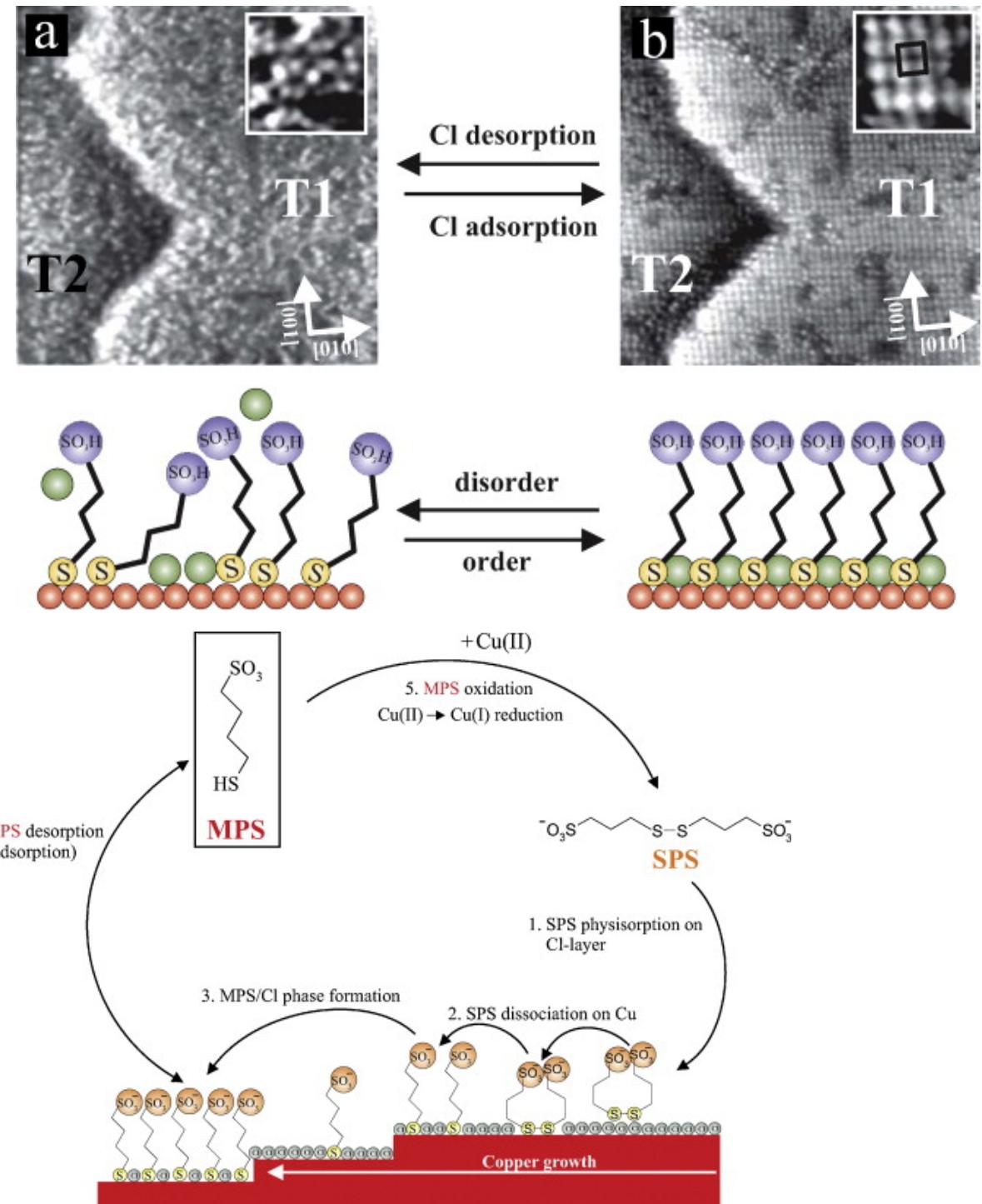
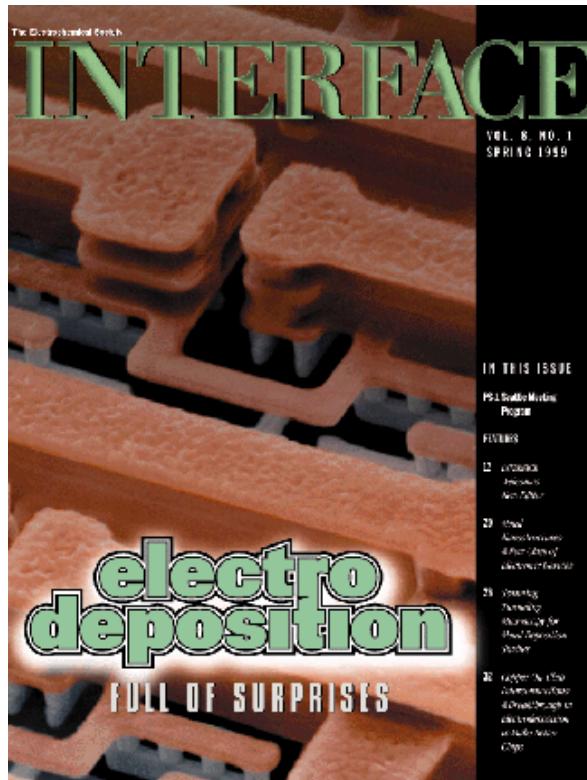
Pd step sites are responsible for hydrogenation of the adsorbate

At room temperature ethene and ethine are adsorbed on terraces as immobile ethylidine

sehr effiziente Katalyse der H<sub>2</sub> Ox.



ad 2. e.g.: Damascene process

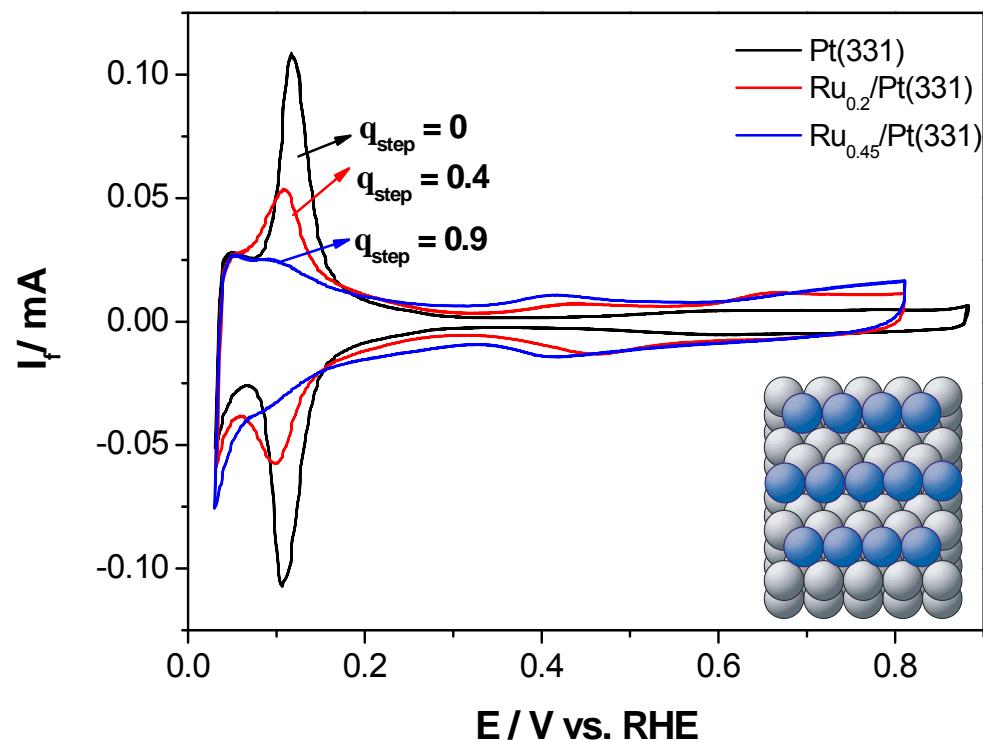


SPS: sodiumsulfopropyl(disulfide)  
MPS: mercaptopropane sulfonic acid

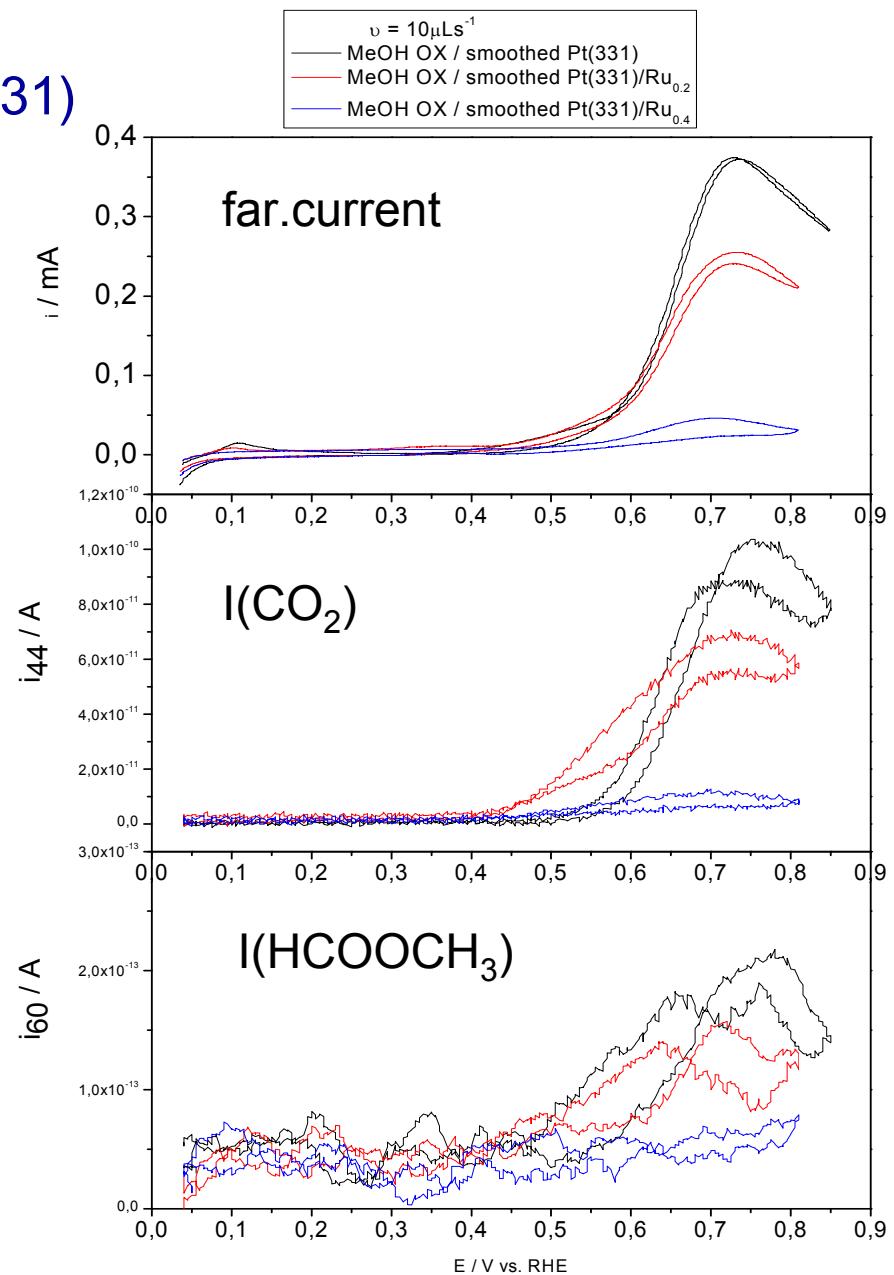
N.T.M. Haia, .... T. Bredow, P.  
Broekmann, *Electrochim. Acta*  
**70** (2012) 286–295

### ad 3: Elektrokatalyse

#### Electrooxidation of methanol on Ru/Pt(331)



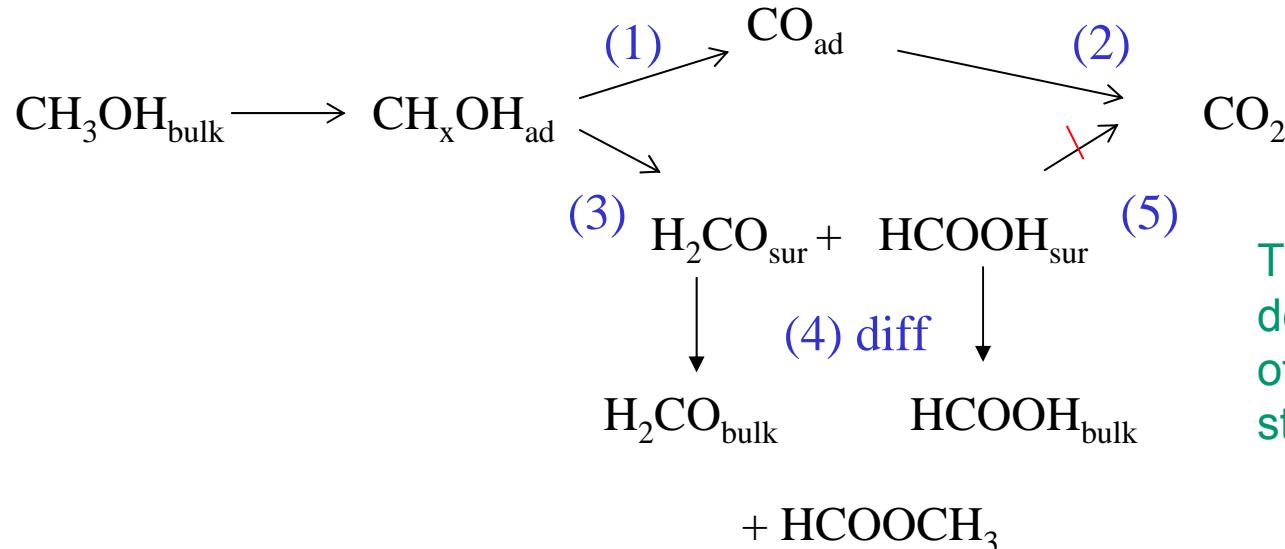
Pt(331) in 0.1M  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  + 0.5M  $\text{HClO}_4$   
50 mV/s before and after Ru deposition



$10^{-2}$  M methanol in 0.1 M  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  + 0.5 M  $\text{HClO}_4$  at 10 mV/s and flow rate  $10 \mu\text{L/s}$

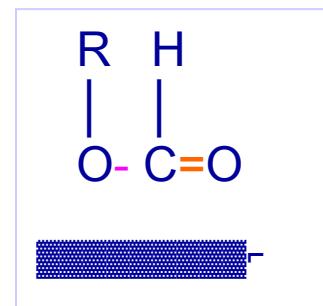
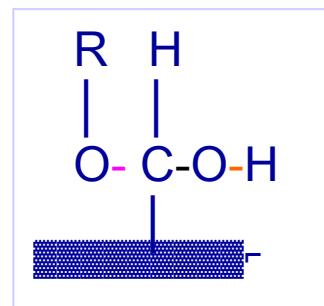
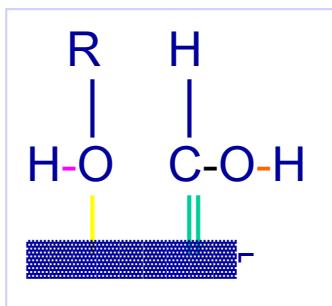
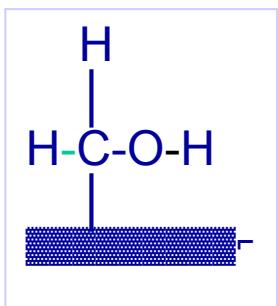
### ad 3: Elektrokatalyse

#### Reaction paths for methanol oxidation



The current efficiency is determined by the ratio of the reaction rates via step (1) and (3).

No formation of methylformate on the timescale of the experiment  
==> direct formation of methylformate at the surface



$R = H$ :  
formic acid  
 $R = Me$ :  
Methylformate

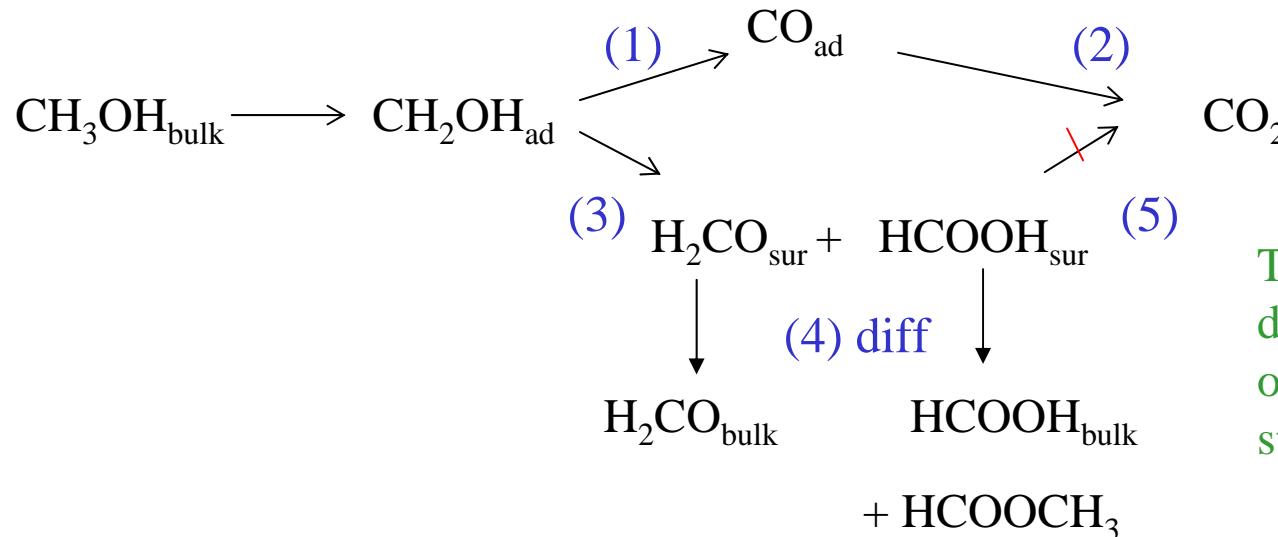
Higher nucleophilic power of methanol

Abd-El-Latif, A. A., H. Baltruschat (2011). J. Electroanal. Chem. **662**(1): 204

Baltruschat, 2012

## ad 3: Elektrokatalyse

### Reaction paths for methanol oxidation



The current efficiency is determined by the ratio of the reaction rates via step (1) and (3).

#### Influence of catalyst layer thickness

(for 0.1 M CH<sub>3</sub>OH)

on current efficiency A for CO<sub>2</sub>:

Smooth Pt: A = 20 % (independent of flow rate)

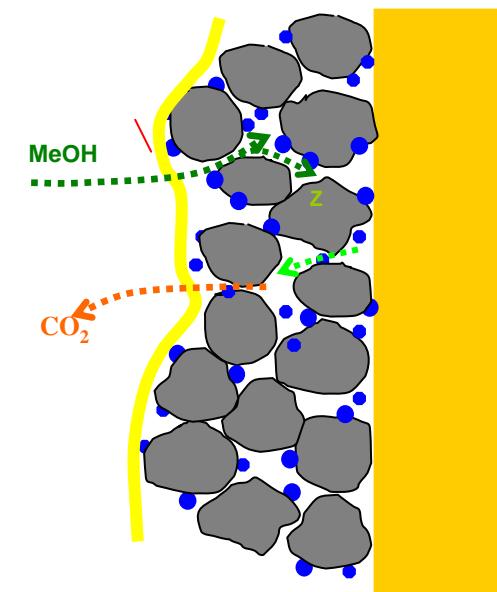
XC 72:

10 µg Pt cm<sup>-2</sup>: A = 30 - 50%

0.6 mg Pt cm<sup>-2</sup>: A ≈ 95%

⇒ Minimal catalyst layer thickness needed

⇒ Parallel path mechanism

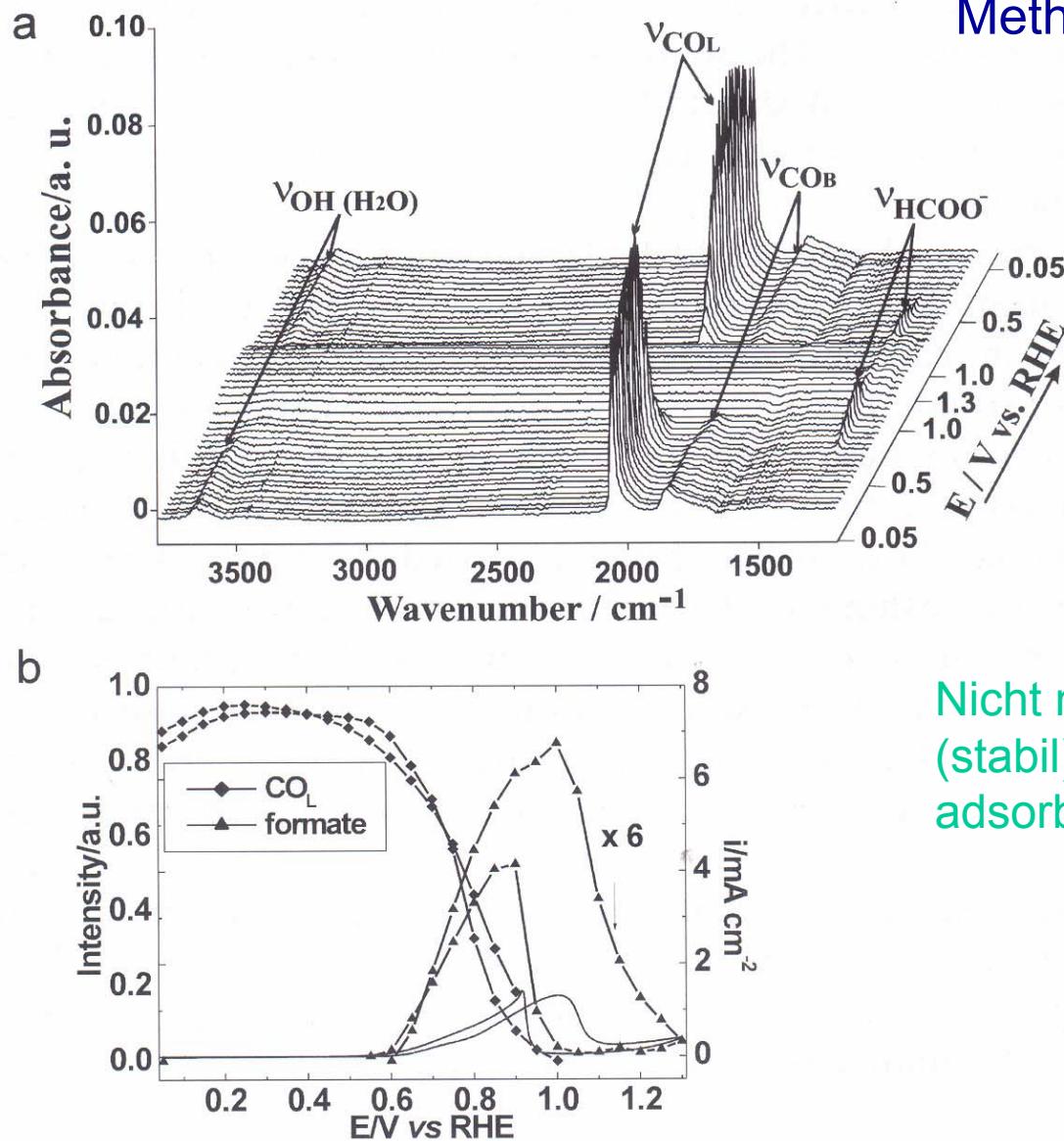


rates of single steps?

H. Wang, T. Löffler, H. Baltruschat, *J. Appl. Electrochem.* **2001**, *31*, 759 .

H. Wang, C. M. Wingen, H. Baltruschat, M. Lopez, M. T. Reetz, *J. Electroanal. Chem.* **2001**, *509*, 163 .

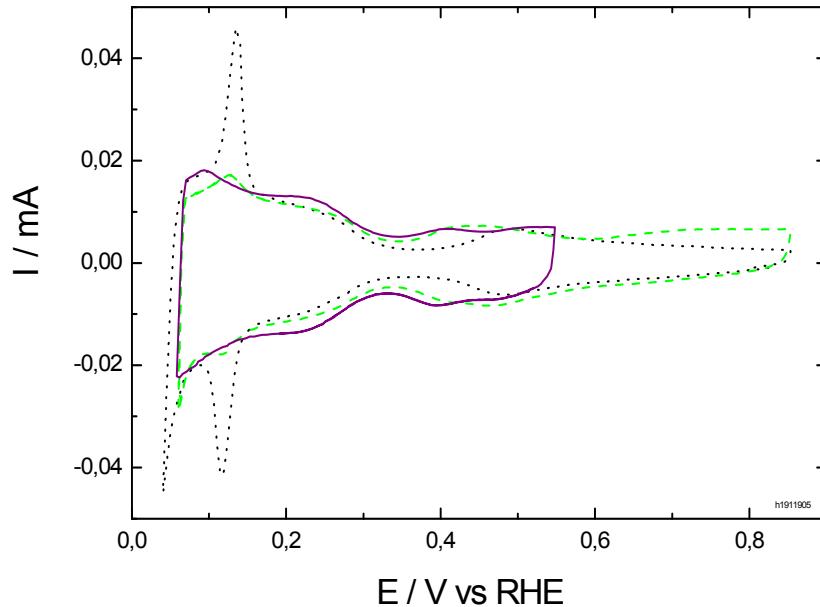
## Methanoloxidation



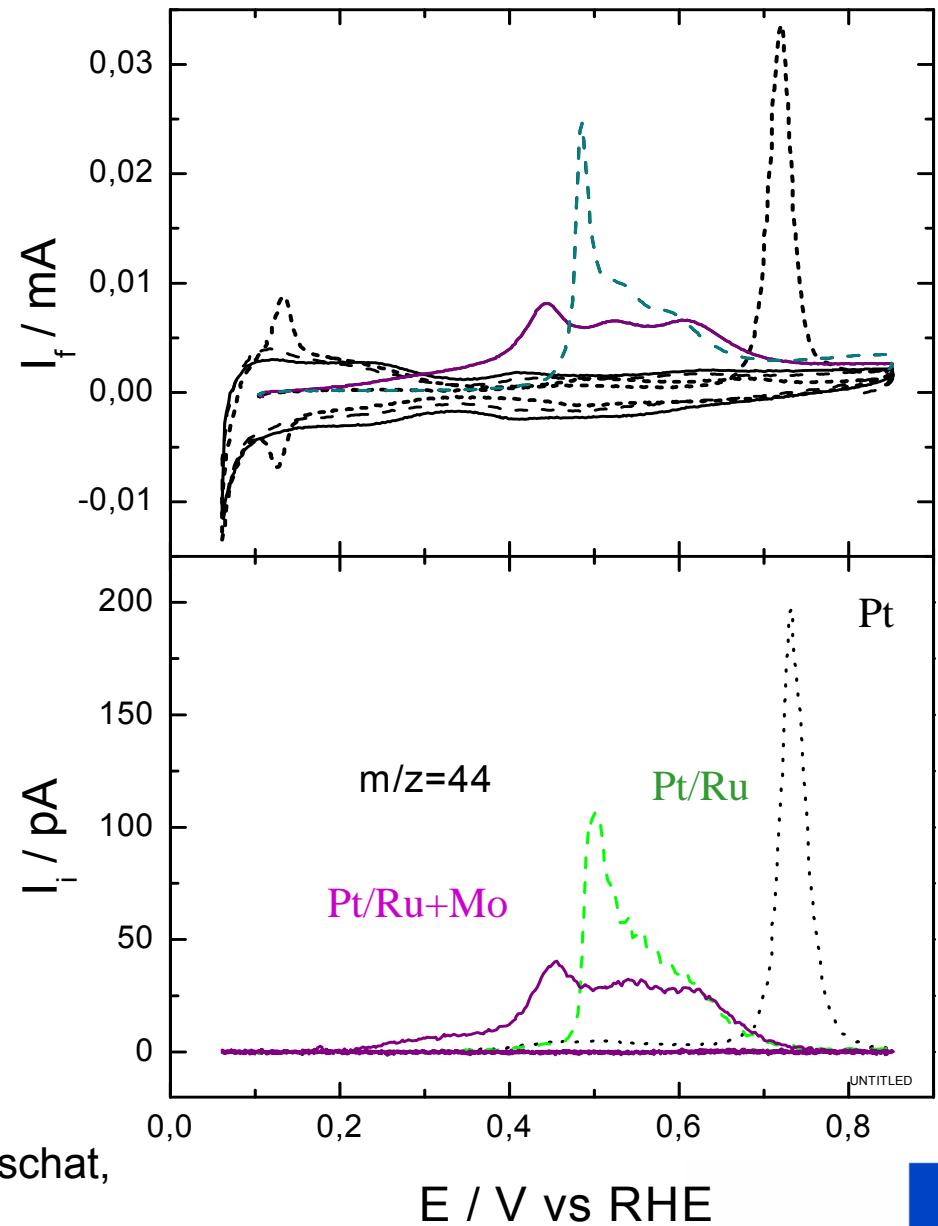
Nicht nur adsorbiertes CO  
(stabil), sondern auch  
adsorbiertes Formiat

Fig. 19. (a) A series of SEIRAS spectra of a Pt electrode in 0.1 M HClO<sub>4</sub>+0.5 M methanol solution collected during a potential sweep from 0.05 to 1.3 V and back to 0.05 V (vs. RHE) at a scan rate of 5 mV s<sup>-1</sup>. (b) Potential dependence of the band intensities of CO<sub>L</sub> around 2060 cm<sup>-1</sup> and the ν<sub>s</sub>(OCO) of formate at 1320 cm<sup>-1</sup> taken from (a). The smooth trace is the CV recorded simultaneously with the spectra [101].

# Pt(332) / Ru + Mo



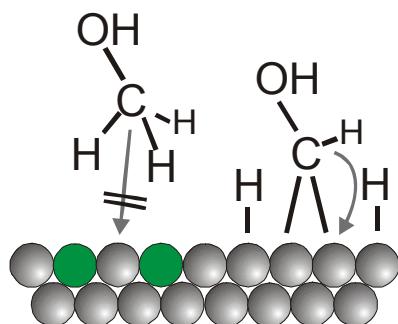
Synergistic effect of Mo and Ru!



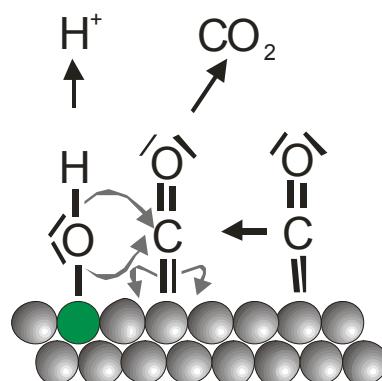
G. Samjeské, H. Wang, T. Löffler, H. Baltruschat,  
*Electrochimica Acta* 2002, 47, 3681

# Effect of co-catalysts

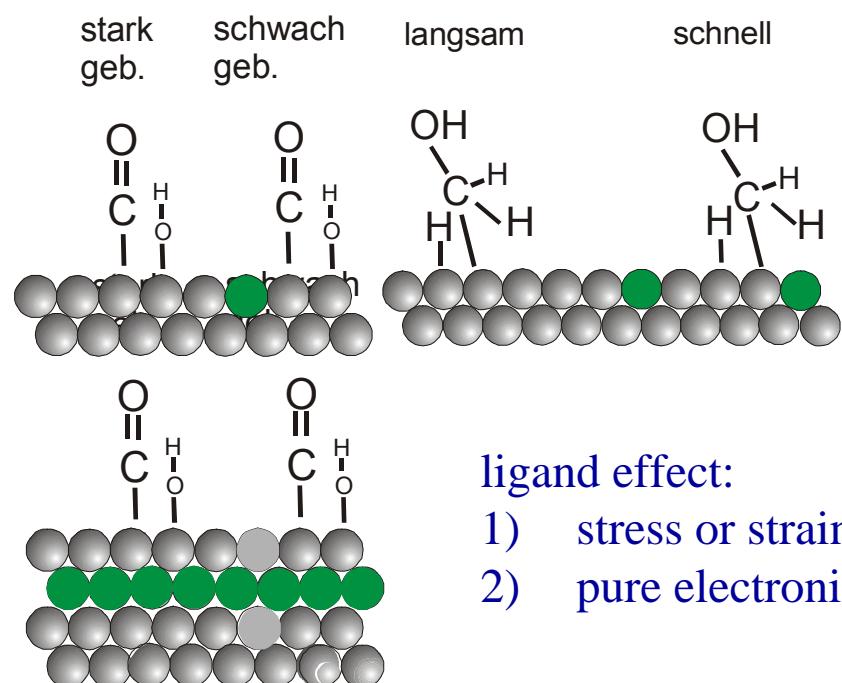
geometric effect  
(ensemble effect)



bifunctional mechanism



ligand - effect  
(electronic effect)



- ligand effect:
- 1) stress or strain
  - 2) pure electronic

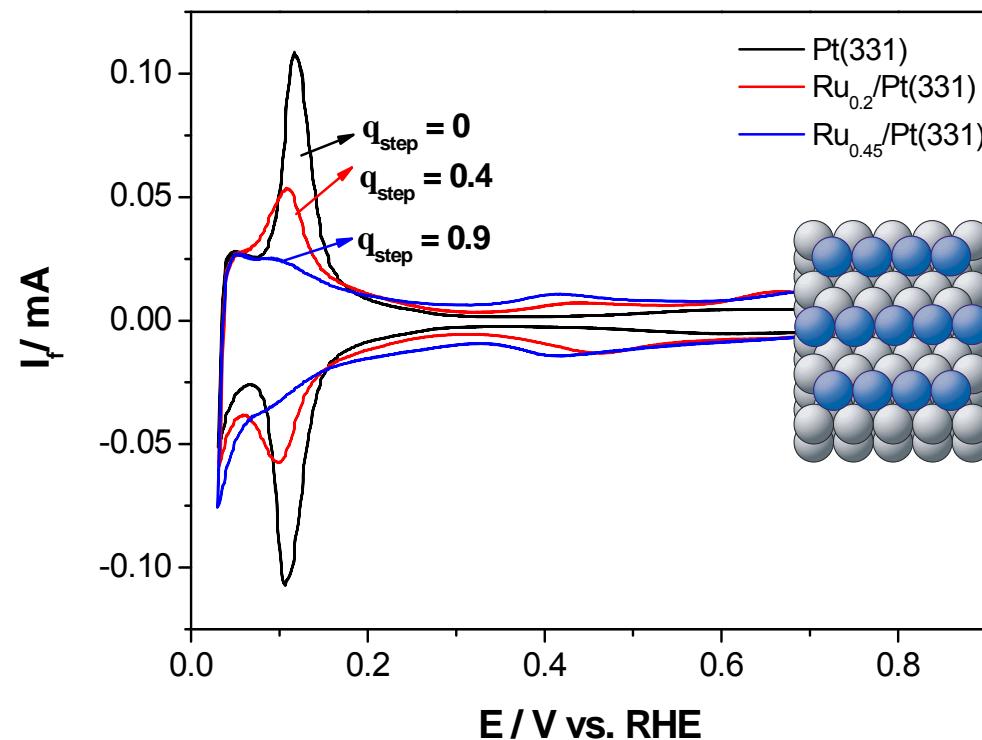
Understand how to influence catalyst surfaces

→ learn how to optimize catalysts

model catalysts as benchmark

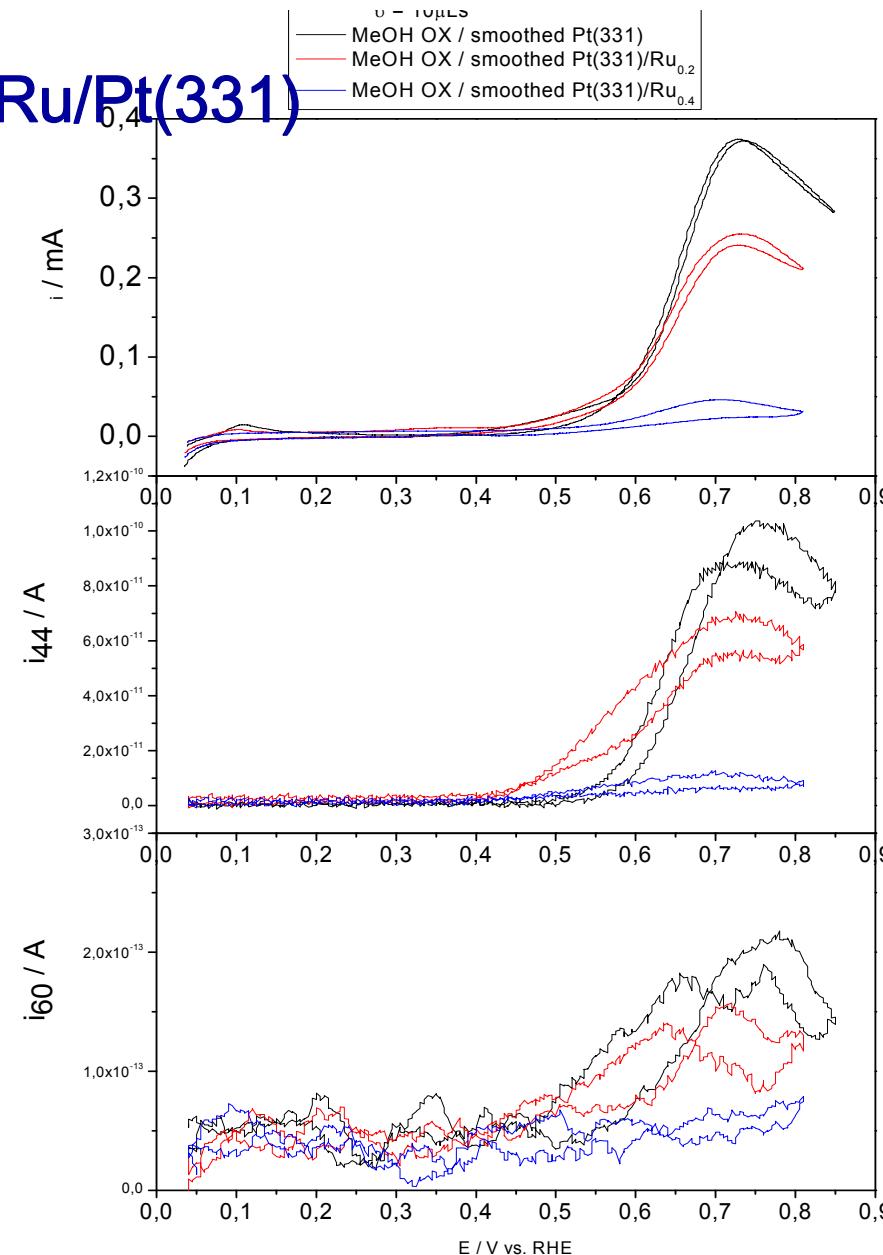
Ru: electronic + bifunctional  
Sn: only electronic

# Electrooxidation of methanol on Ru/Pt(331)

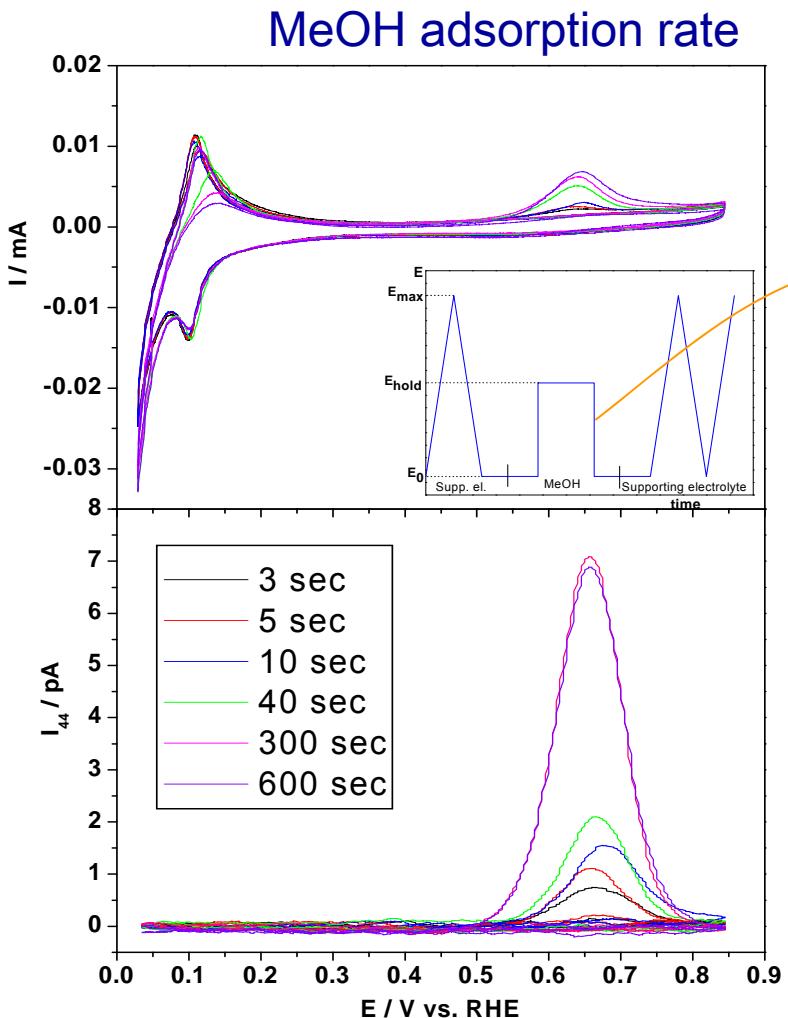


Pt(331) in  $0.1\text{M H}_2\text{SO}_4 + 0.5\text{M HClO}_4$   
50 mV/s before and after Ru deposition

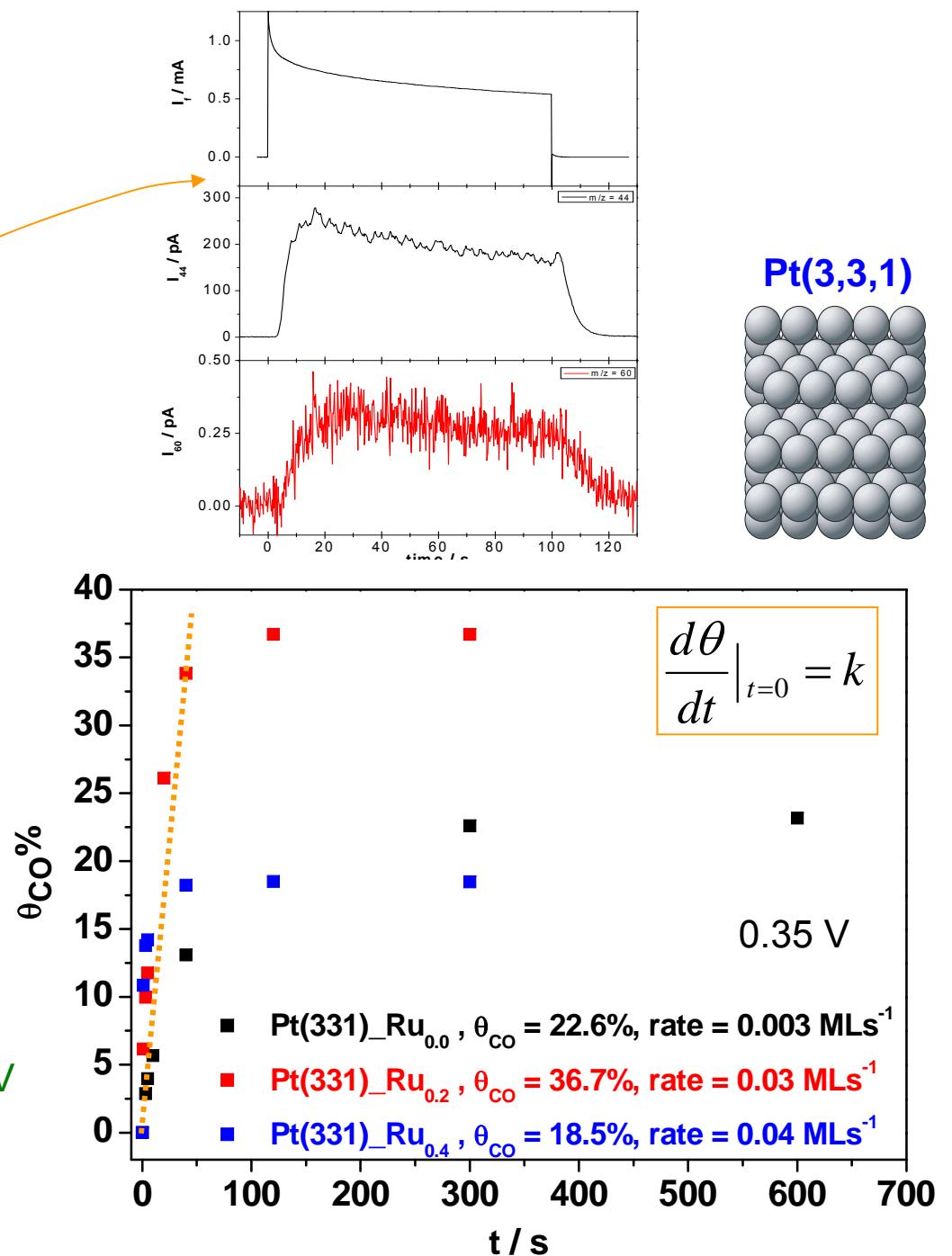
- The electrocatalytic activity for Pt(331) towards ethanol and methanol oxidation has a maximum for small Ru coverage  
<== Pt-step sites necessary

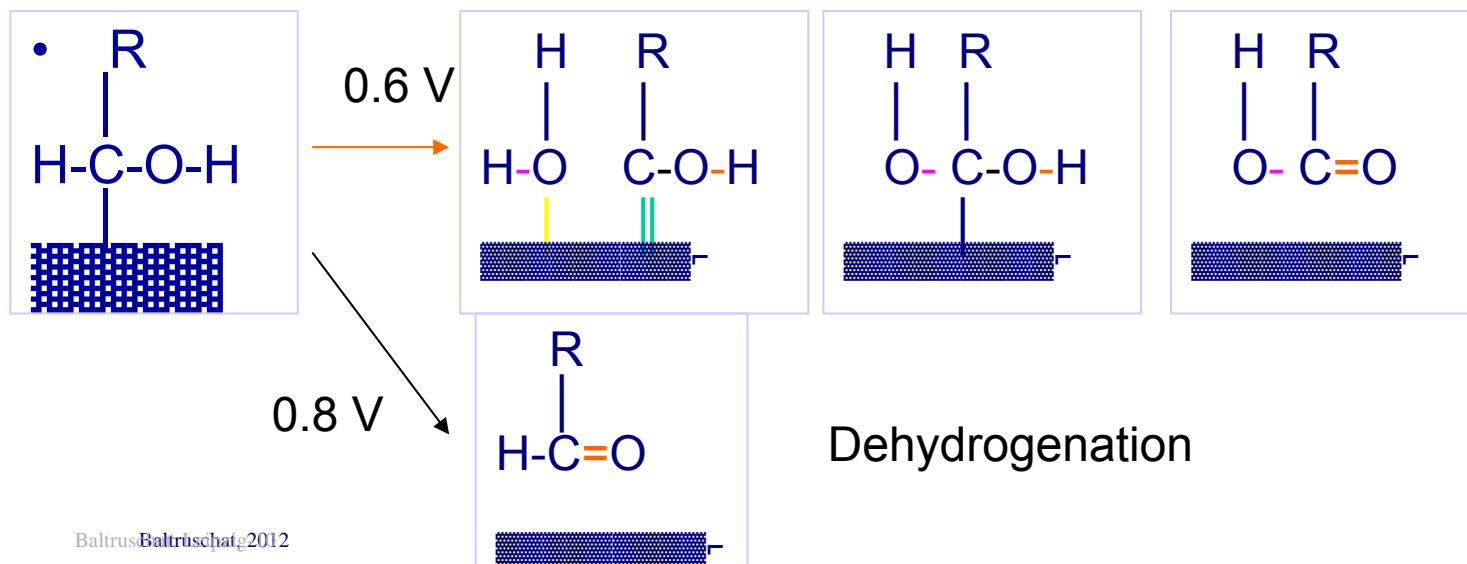
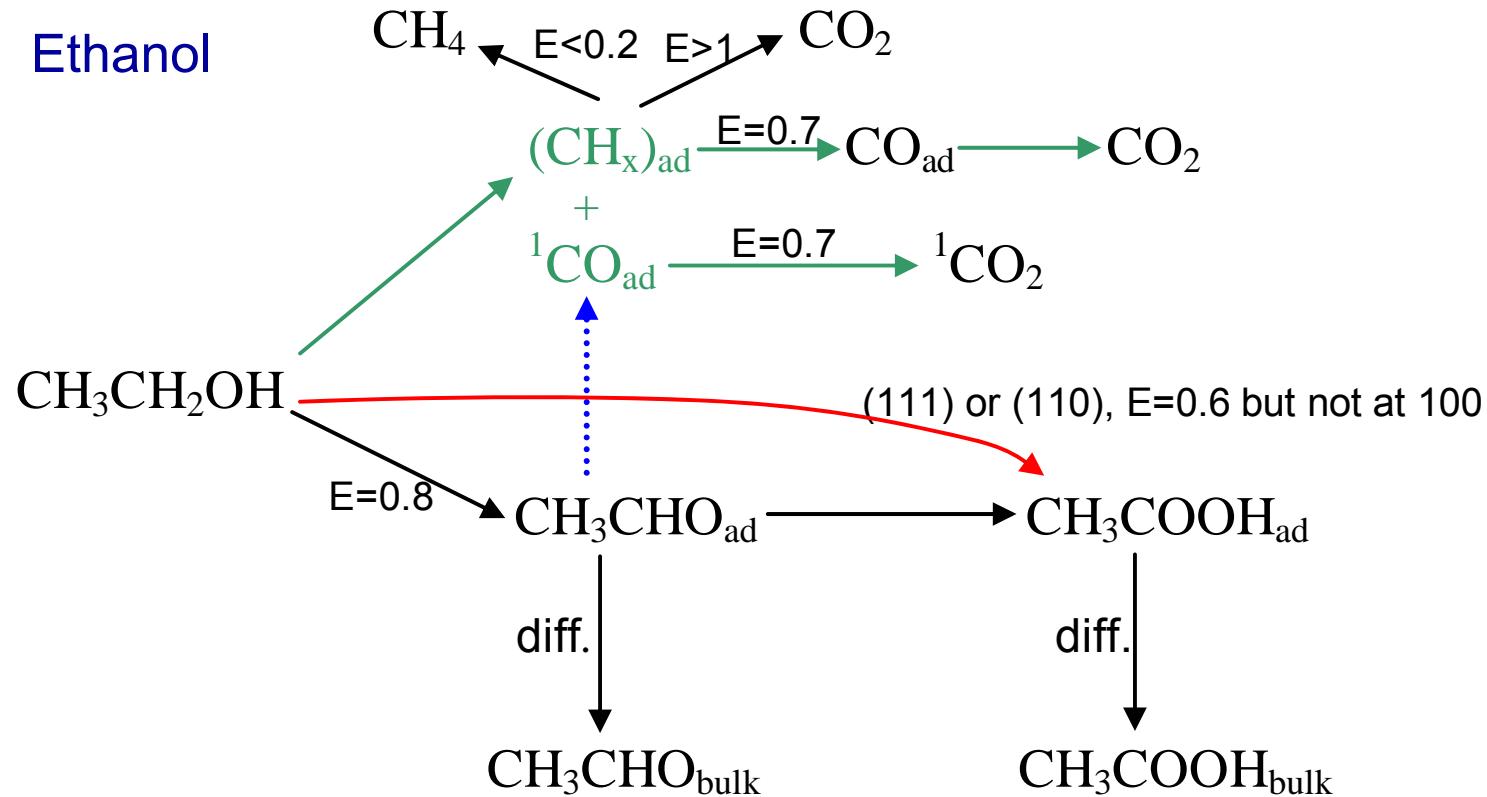


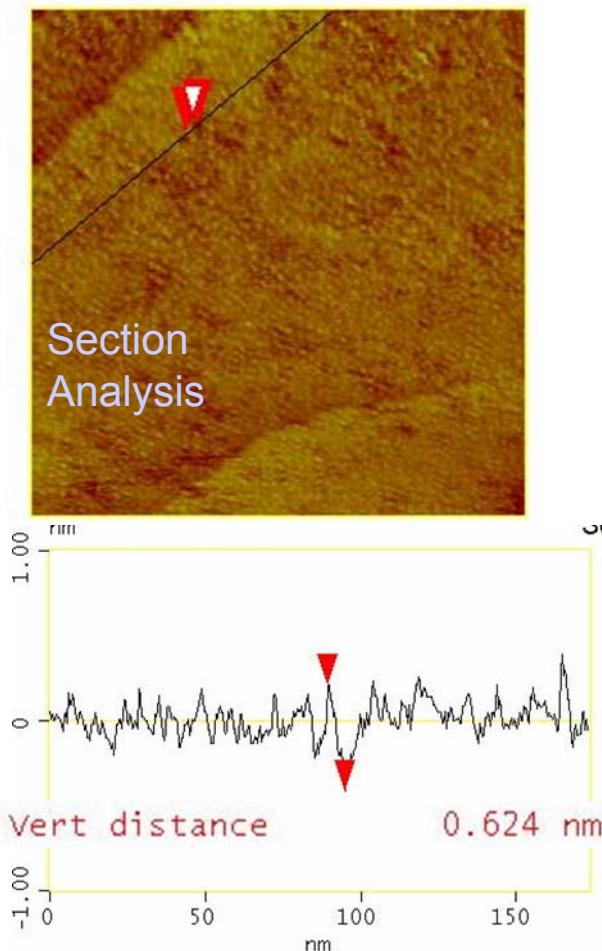
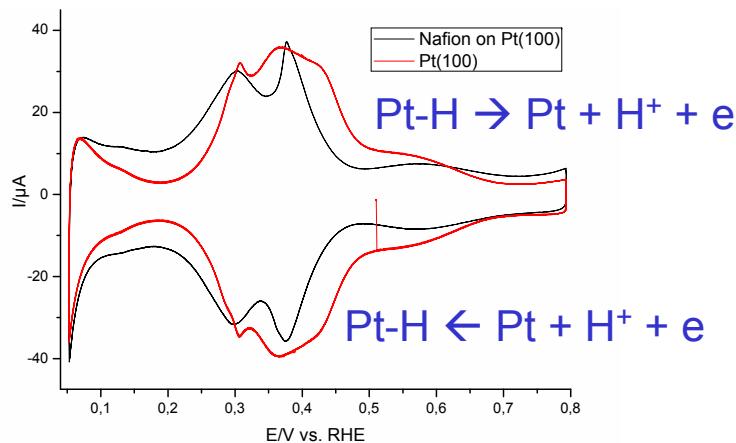
$10^{-2}\text{ M}$  methanol in  $0.1\text{ M H}_2\text{SO}_4 + 0.5\text{ M HClO}_4$  at 10 mV/s and flow rate  $10 \mu\text{L/s}$



- With Ru: higher adsorption rate
- The rate of methanol adsorption is doubled with doubled step density
- Potential dependence: factor 10 per 100 mV  
==> 1st charge transfer is rds
- rate increases with increasing step density

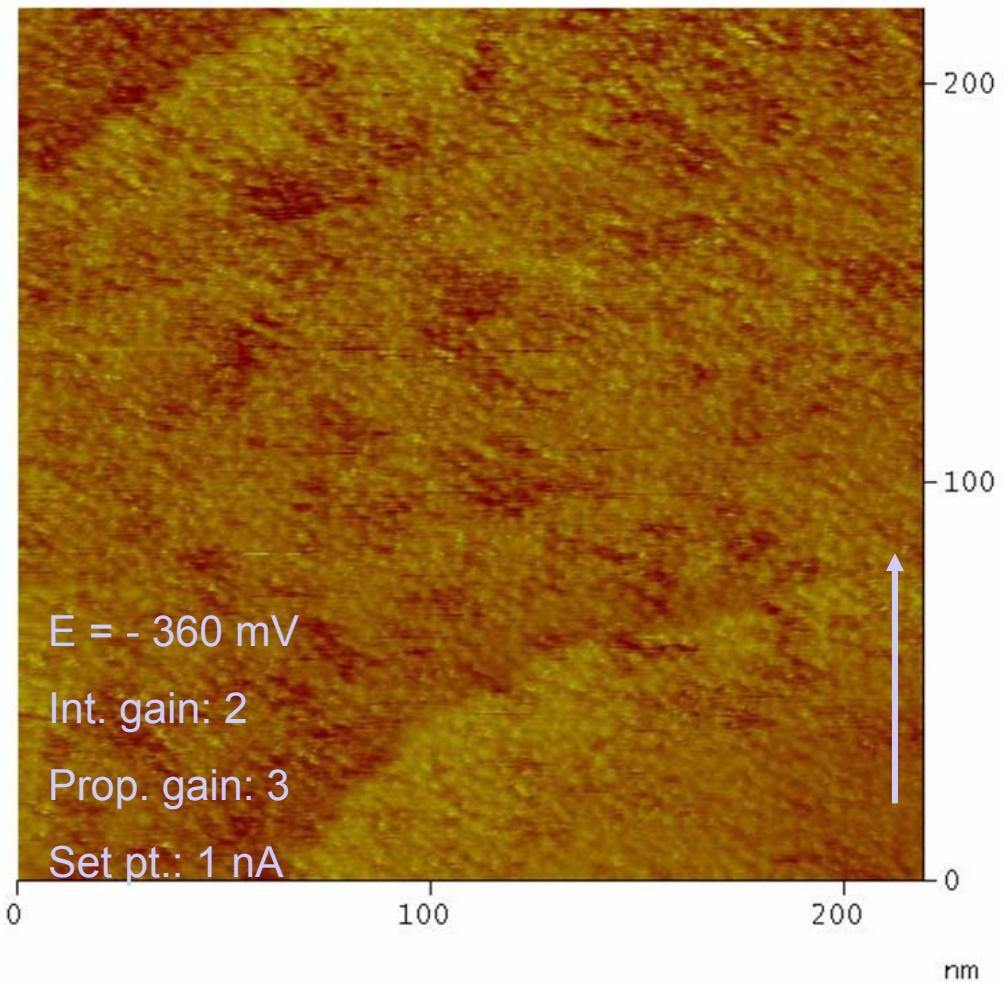






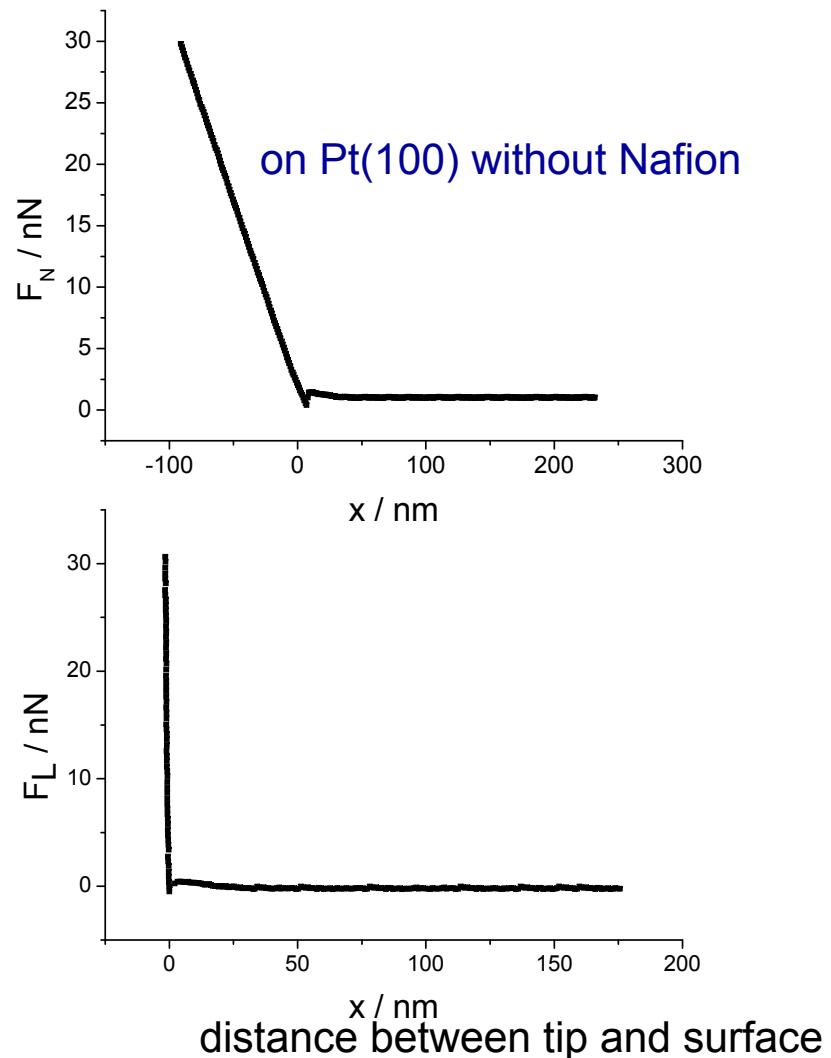
STM: Nafion auf Pt(100)

CV: No blocking of surface sites by nafion



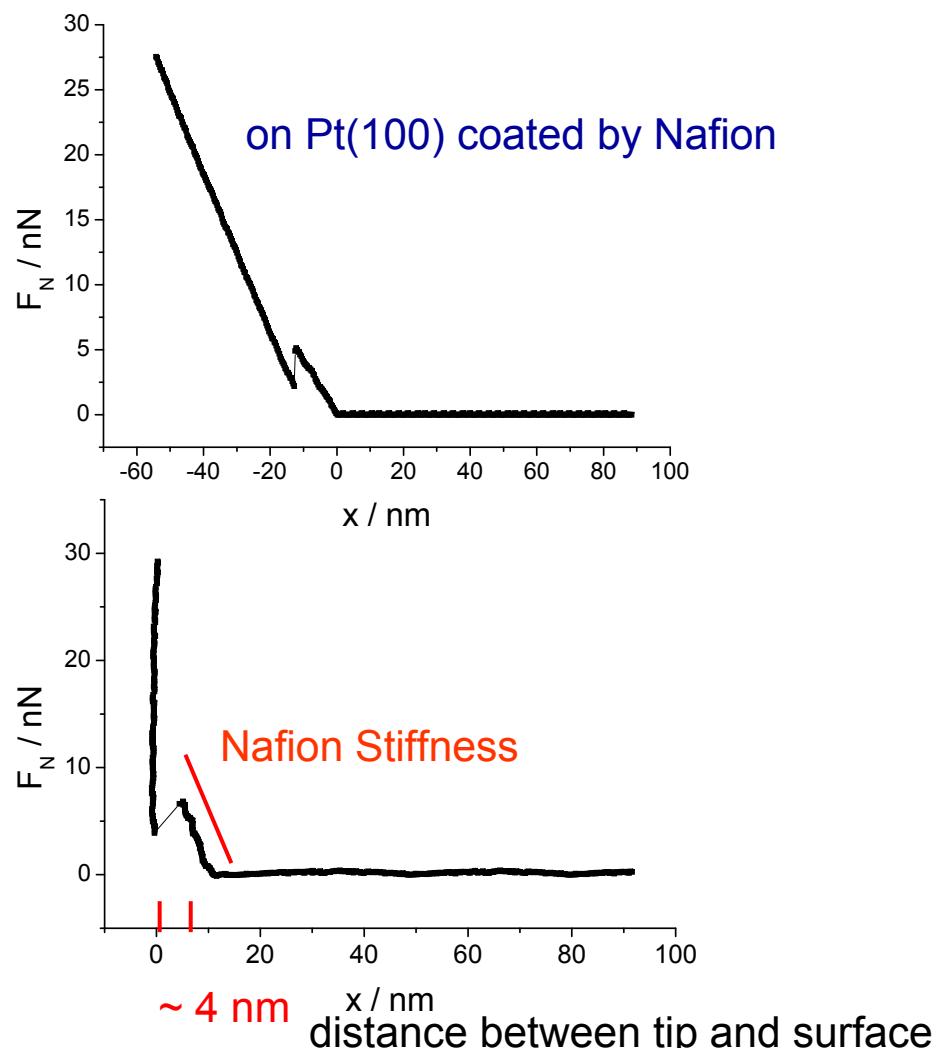
Friedrich et al.  
 Markovic et al.  
 Attard et al.

## AFM: Force/Distance Curves



friction reduced by nafion

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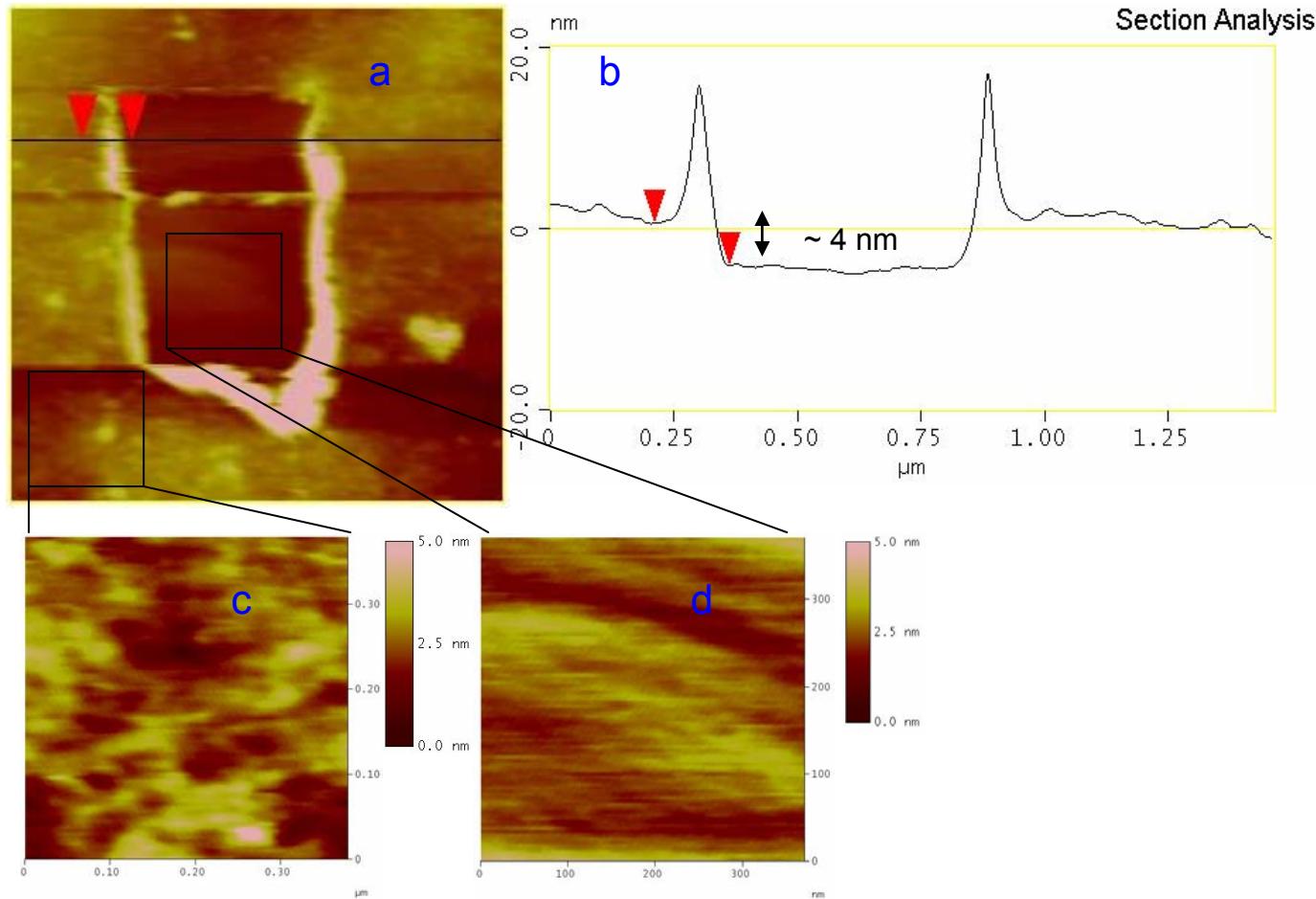
Effect observed in 50% of all cases.

Force necessary for penetration: 5 to 30 nN



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## AFM- Image of Surface-Modification (Lithography)

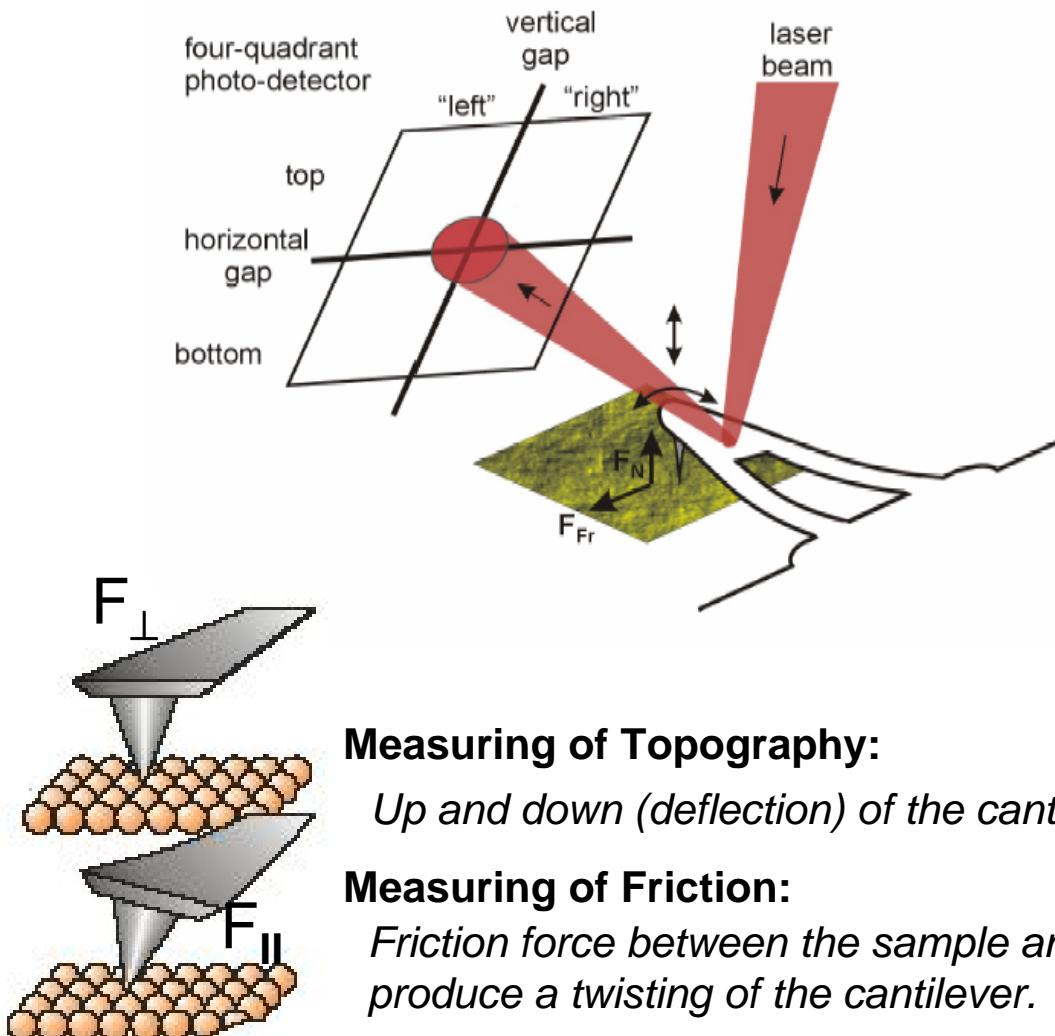


$\text{FN} = 2 \text{ nN}$  after continuously measurement in central area with  $F_N = 30 \text{ nN}$

## ad 4: friction

- Friction is of practical importance:
  - Utilizing friction as an operation mechanism → car brakes
  - Reducing energetic losses → efficiently working engines
  - Reducing materials losses due to wear
  - Optimising lubricants
- Developed countries could save up to 1.6% of their gross national product → (\$100 billion per year in the US)

# Atomic Force Microscope: Friction



## Measuring of Topography:

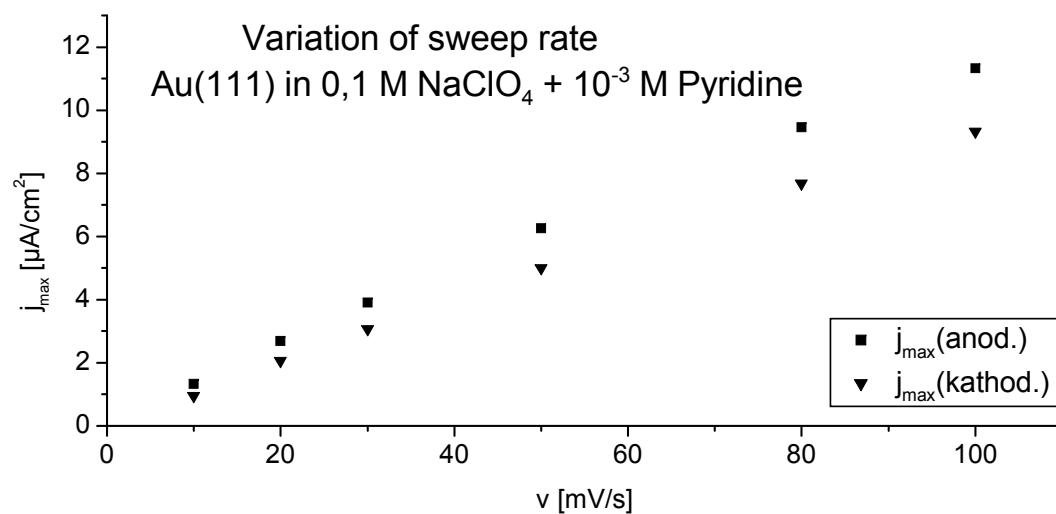
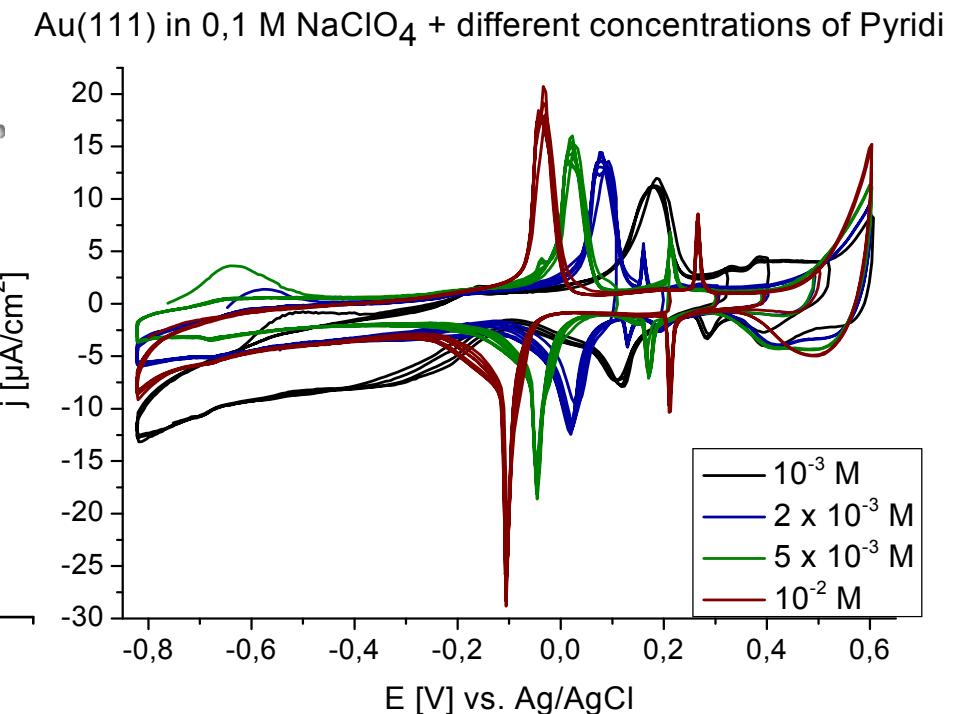
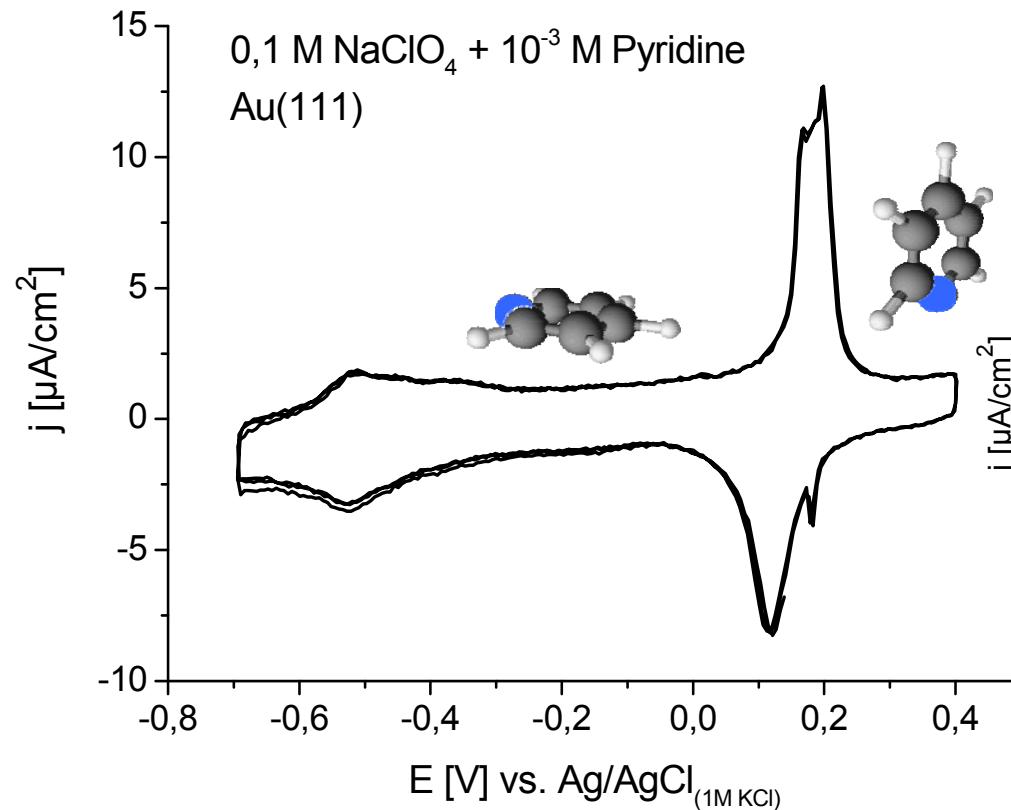
*Up and down (deflection) of the cantilever is measured*

## Measuring of Friction:

*Friction force between the sample and the tip will produce a twisting of the cantilever.*

S. Sundararajan, B. Bhushan, *J. Appl. Phys.*, **2000**, 88, 4825

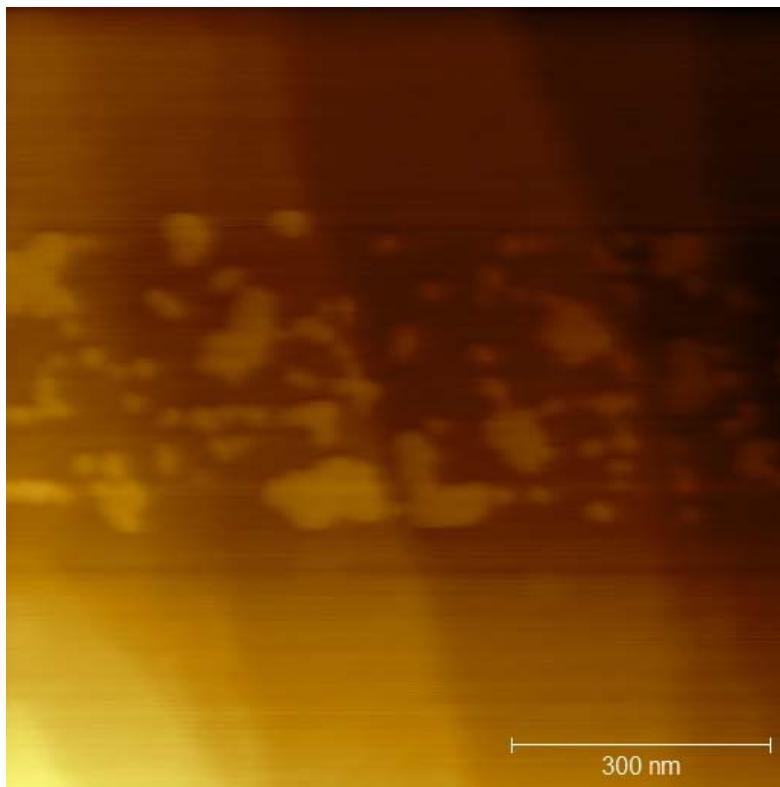
## Pyridine on Au(111): Cyclic Voltammetry



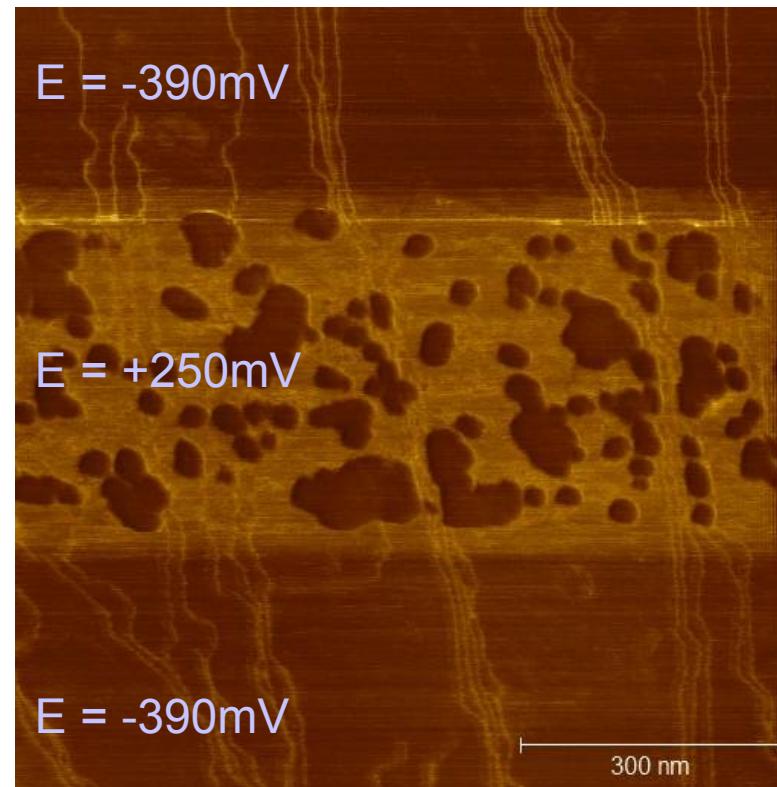
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# Pyridine on Au(111)

Topography



Friction



py flat

electrostatic attraction

low apparent height

high friction

py vert.

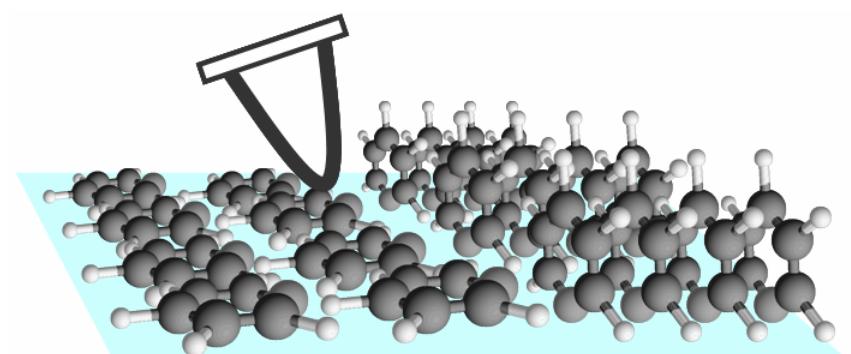
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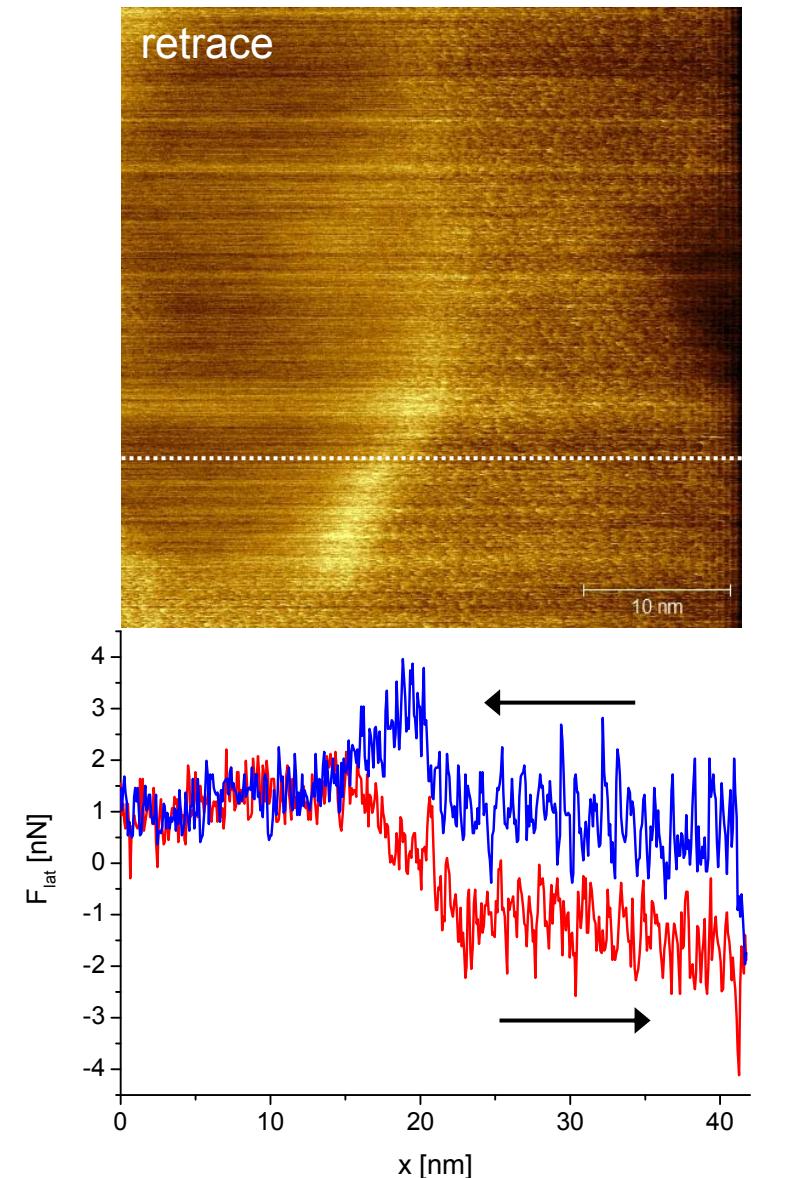
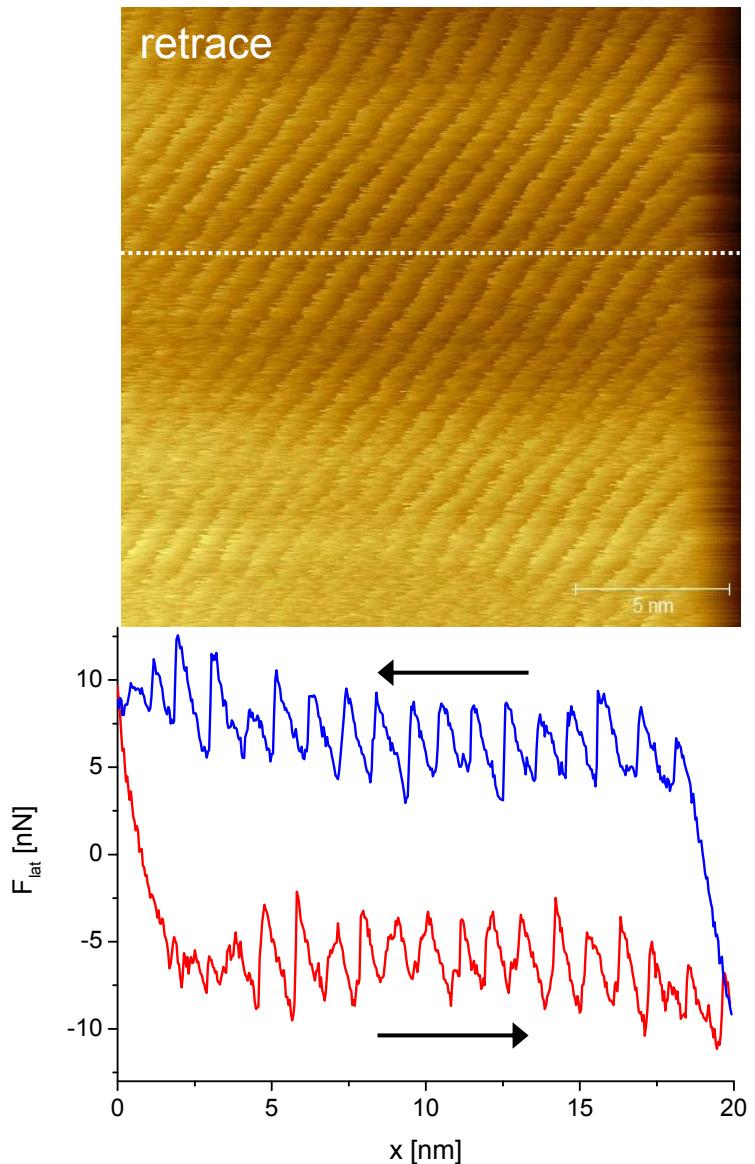
elevated app. height

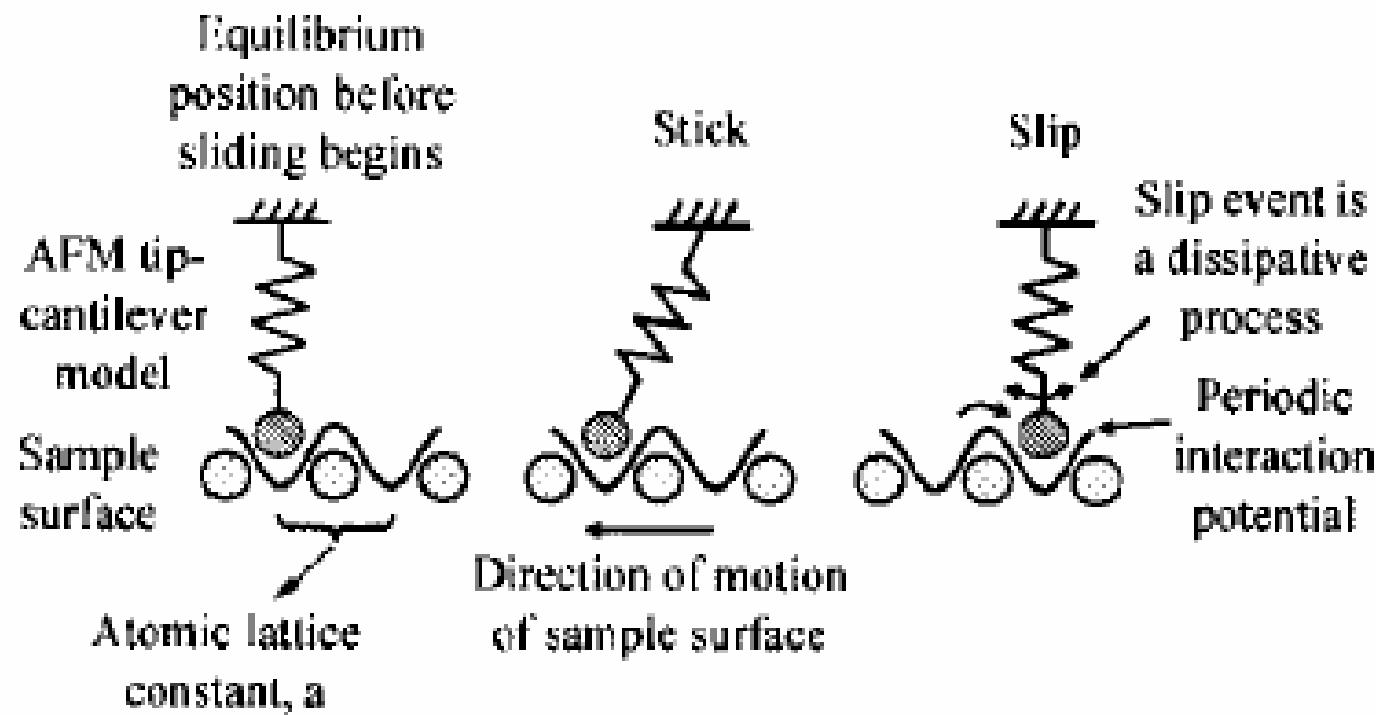
low friction

hydrophobic? (zero slip  
approx. for electrolyte not  
valid?)

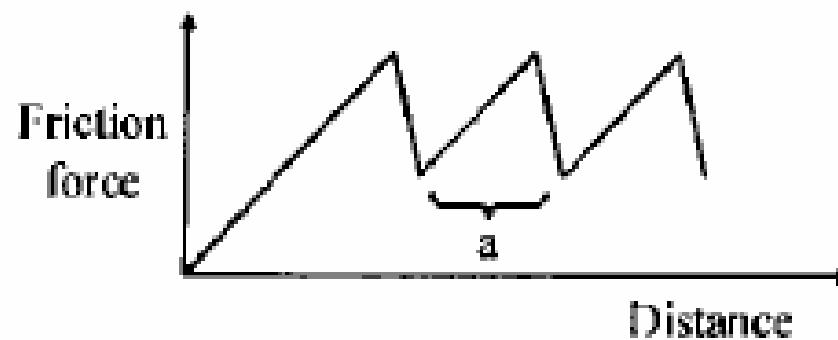
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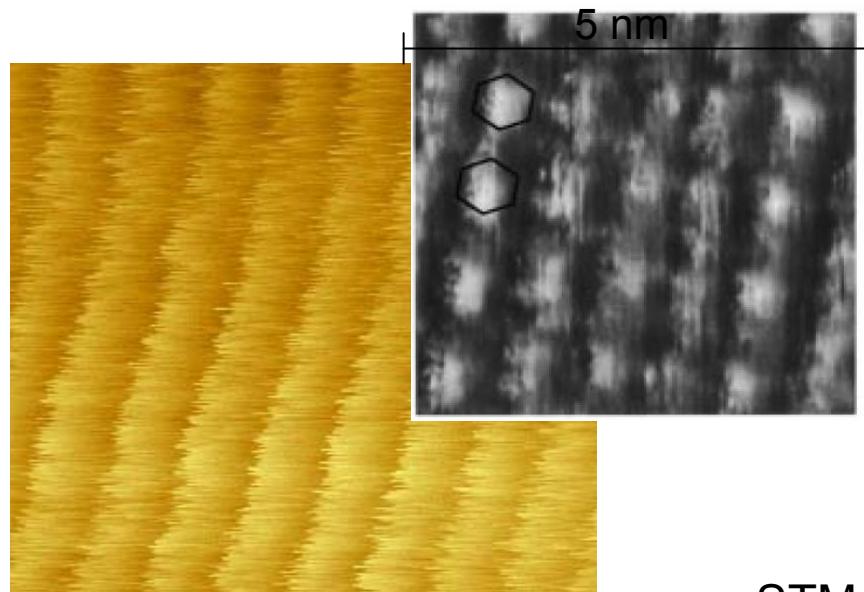




Sawtooth pattern of friction force arising from atomic scale stick-slip



## Stick-Slip resolution - II



STM

(W.-B. Cai et al., *Langmuir* 14 (1998), 6992.)

AFM

## Motivation:

1. Vergleich zur fest/Gas Grenzfläche („akademisch“)
  2. (Bedeutung in Galvanik und Korrosion (Damaszen-Prozess))
  3. Intermediate in Brennstoffzelle (Energie) etc.
  4. Reibung
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- hohe Reaktivität von Pt ==> viele Raktionskanäle, viele Ads.-Produkte  
(dies schließt Selektivität für Endprodukt nicht aus)
  - Vergiftung des Katalysators durch eines der Adsorbaten
  - starke Abhängigkeit der Reaktion vom Reaktionsplatz („site“)
  - komplexe Beeinflussung der Reaktivität durch Kokatalysatoren
  - Beeinflussung mechanischer Eigenschaften durch Adsorbaten

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