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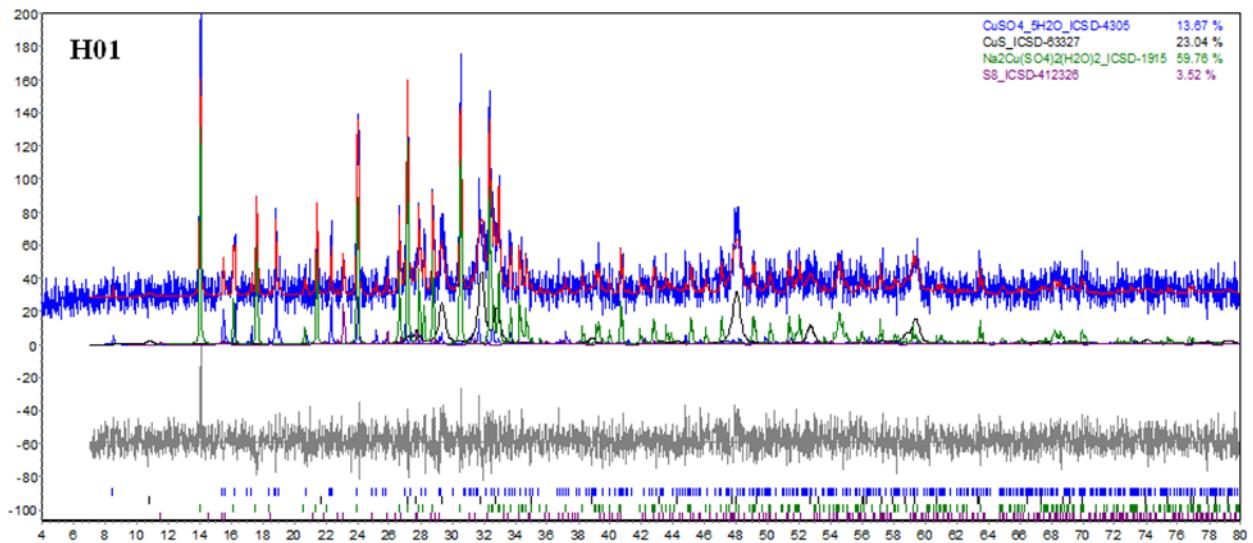
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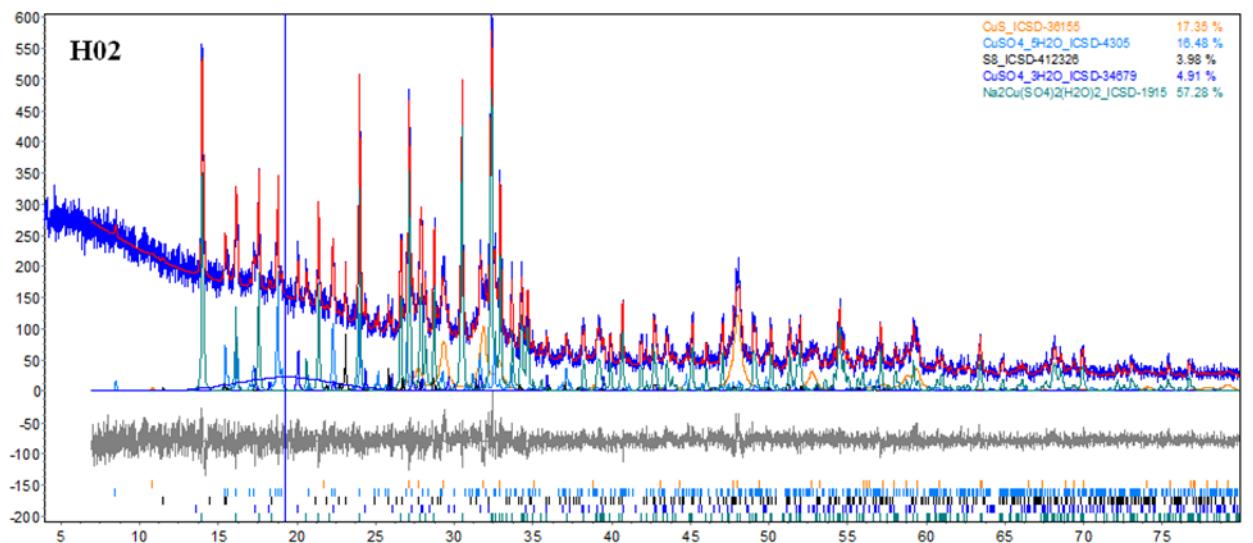
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## APPENDICES

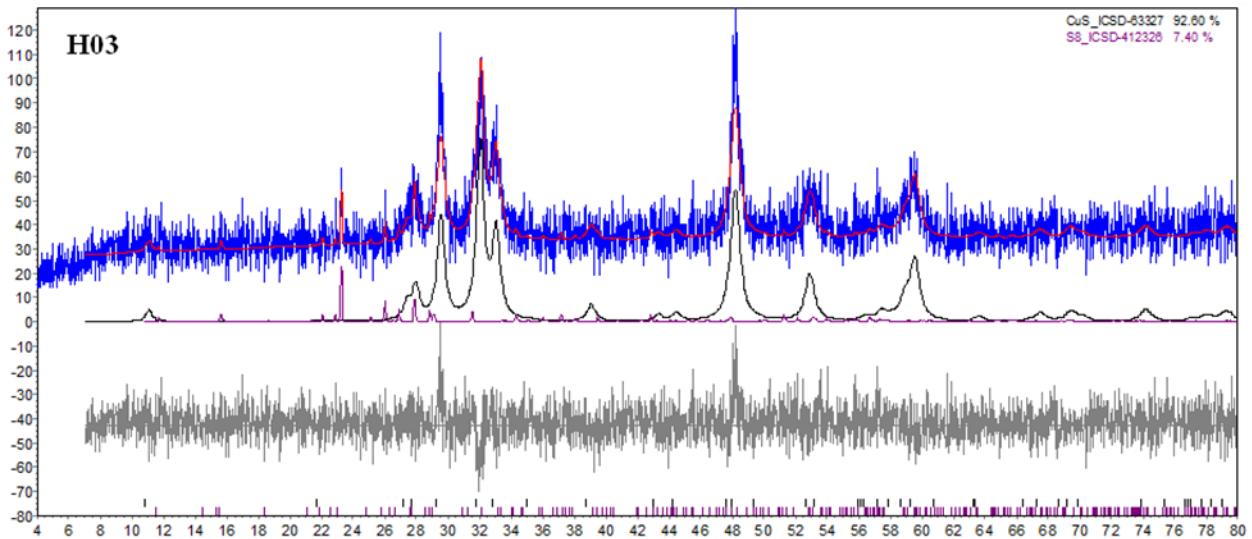
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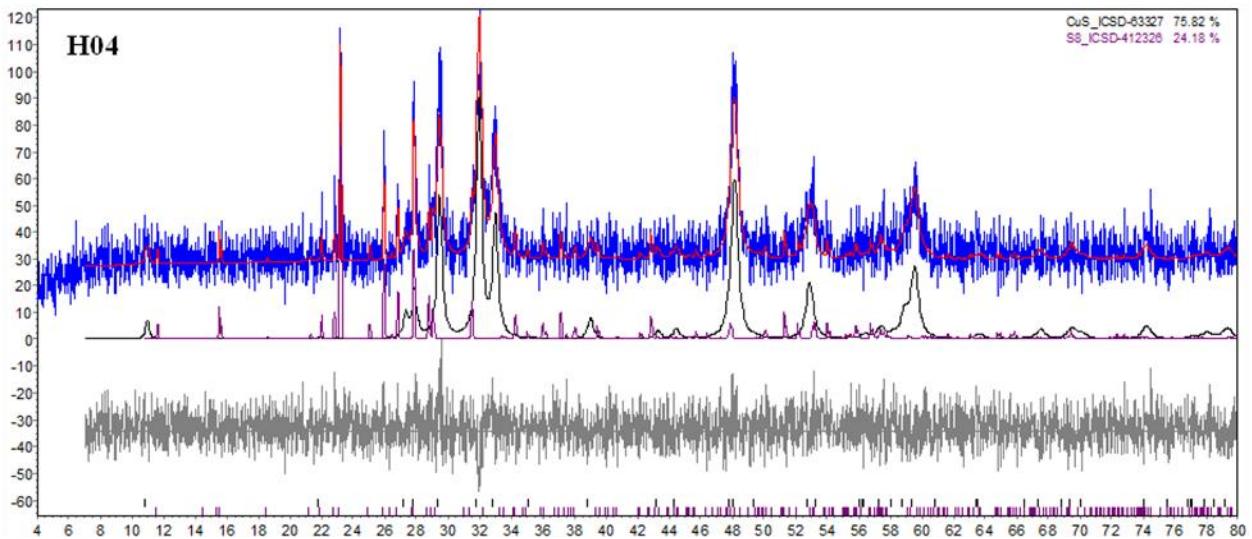
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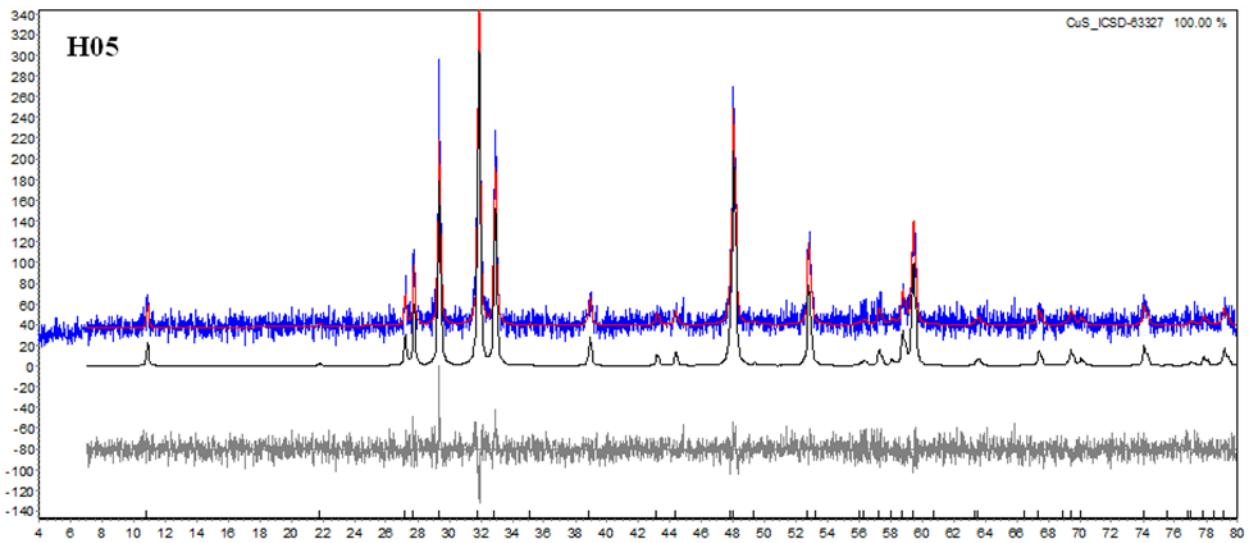
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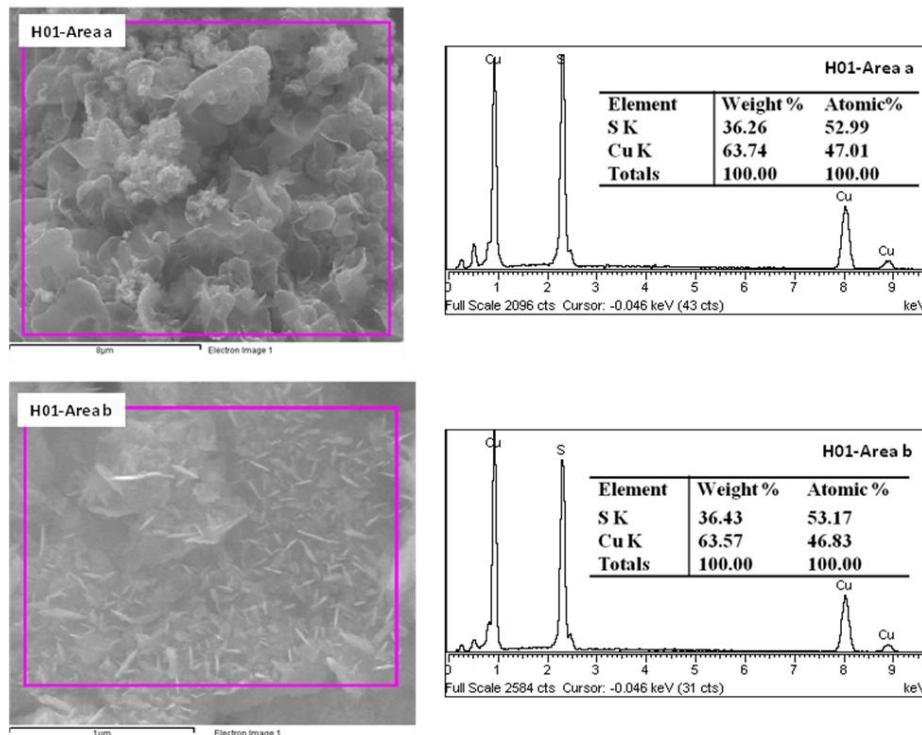


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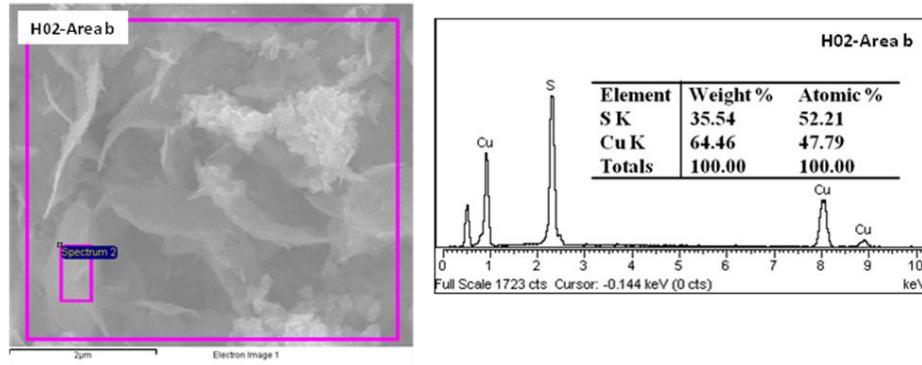
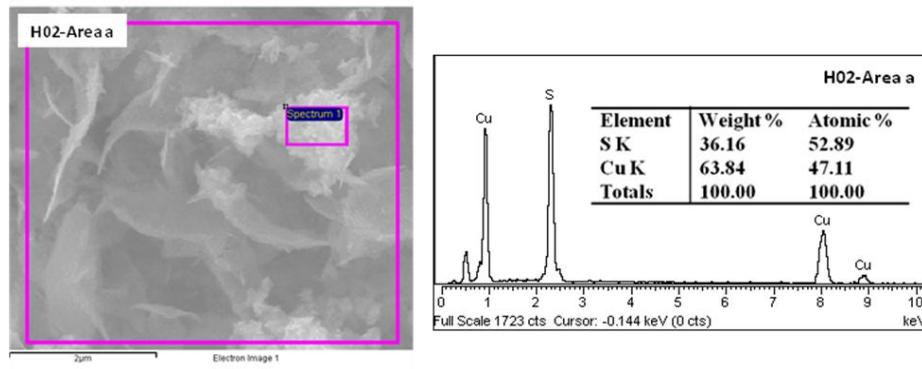


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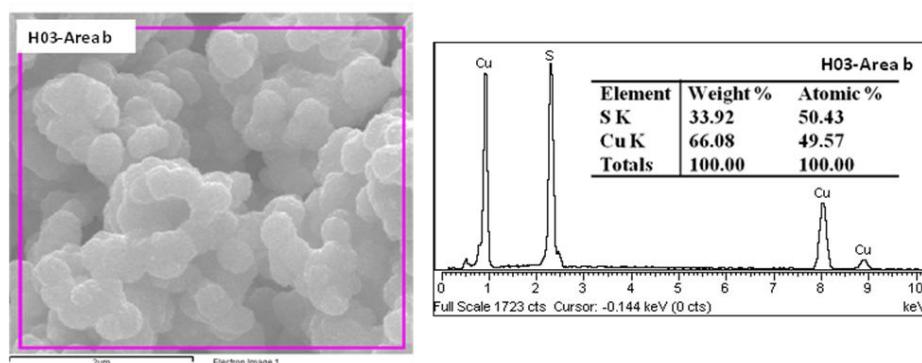
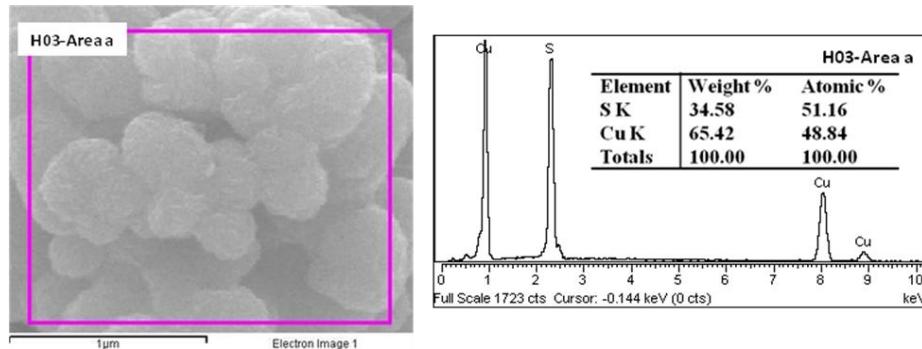
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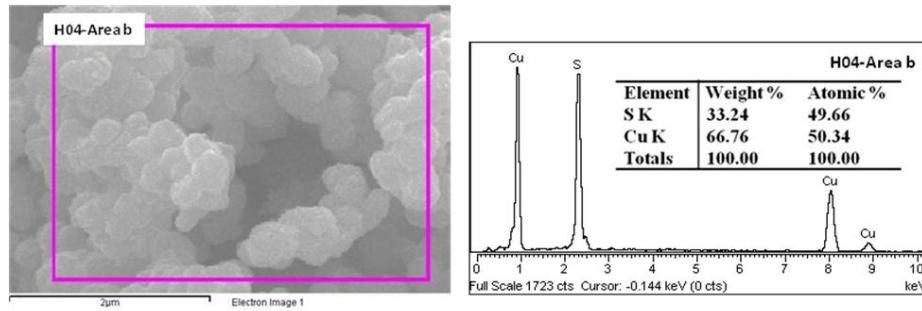
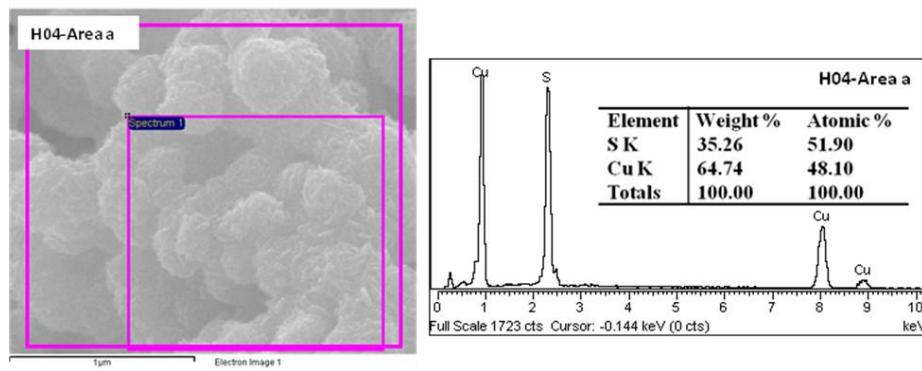
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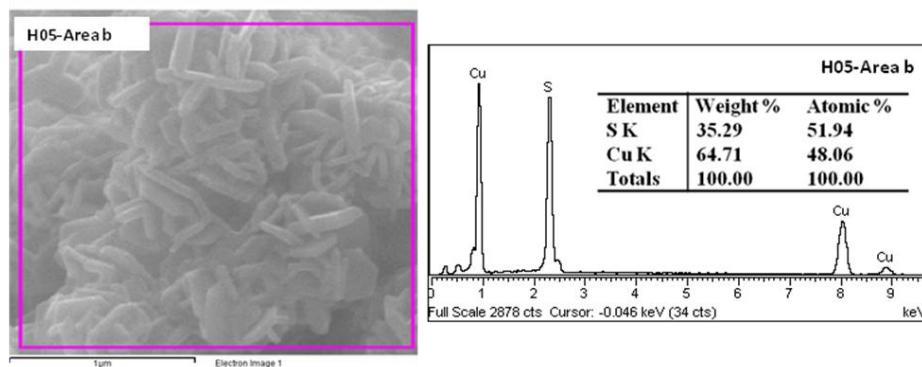
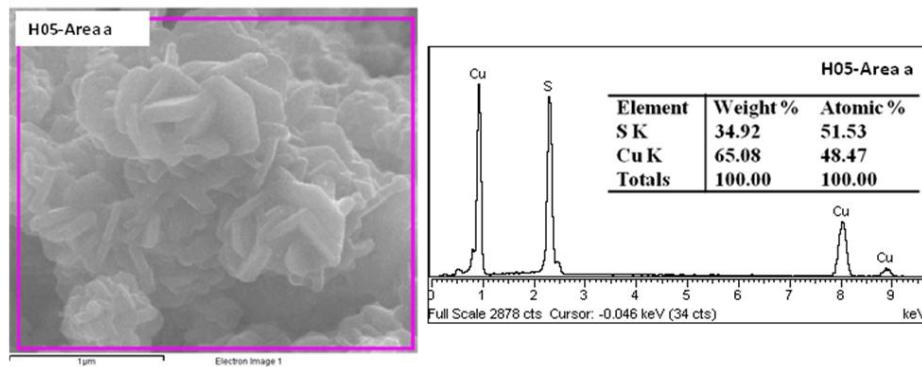
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EDX analysis of H03 sample prepared at 65 °C, Cu: S mole ratio = 1: 2 for 12 hours.



EDX analysis of H04 sample prepared at 95 °C, Cu: S mole ratio = 1: 2 for 12 hours.



EDX analysis of H04 sample prepared at 155 °C, Cu: S mole ratio = 1: 2 for 12 hours.

**Example of calculation for XRF analysis (Sample H01):**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Wt \% of Cu element} &= 52.8/100 \times 63.546 \\ &= \mathbf{8.309 \times 10^{-3} \text{ moles}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Wt \% of S element} &= 47.2/100 \times 32.064 \\ &= \mathbf{1.472 \times 10^{-2} \text{ moles}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Atomic ratio (Cu/S)} &= 8.309 \times 10^{-3} \text{ moles}/1.472 \times 10^{-2} \text{ moles} \\ &= \mathbf{\underline{0.56}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cu: S} &= 8.309 \times 10^{-3}/8.309 \times 10^{-3}: 1.472 \times 10^{-2}/8.309 \times 10^{-3} \\ &= \mathbf{\underline{1: 1.77}}$$

**Example of calculation for EDX analysis (Sample H01):**

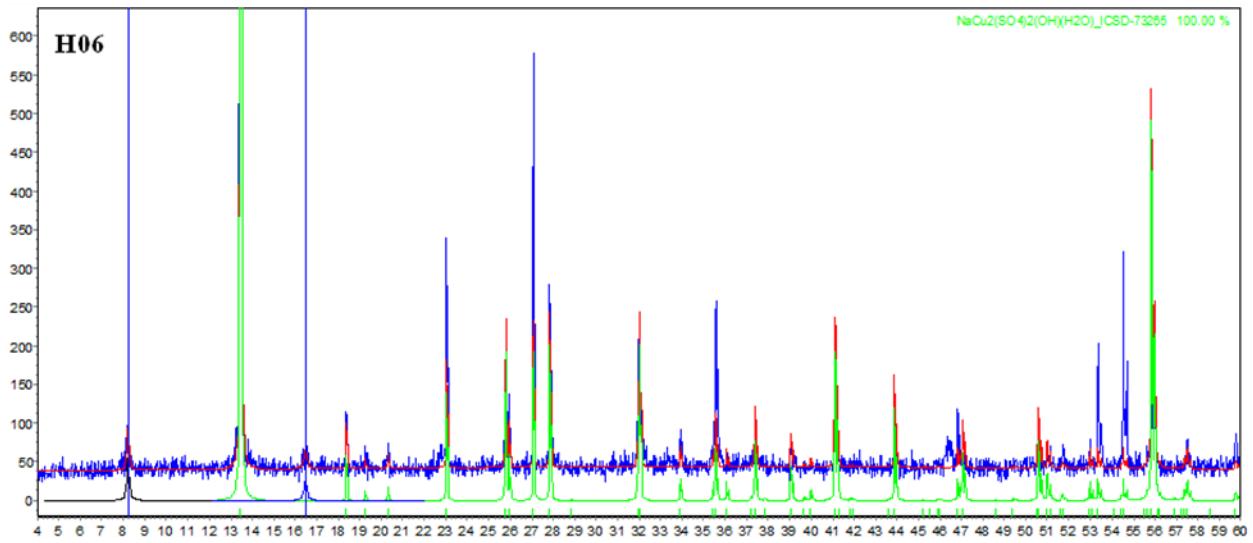
$$\begin{aligned}\text{Conc. (at \% average) of Cu element} &= (47.01 + 46.83)/ 2 \\ &= \mathbf{46.92 \%}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Conc. (at \% average) of S element} &= (52.99 + 53.17)/ 2 \\ &= \mathbf{53.08 \%}\end{aligned}$$

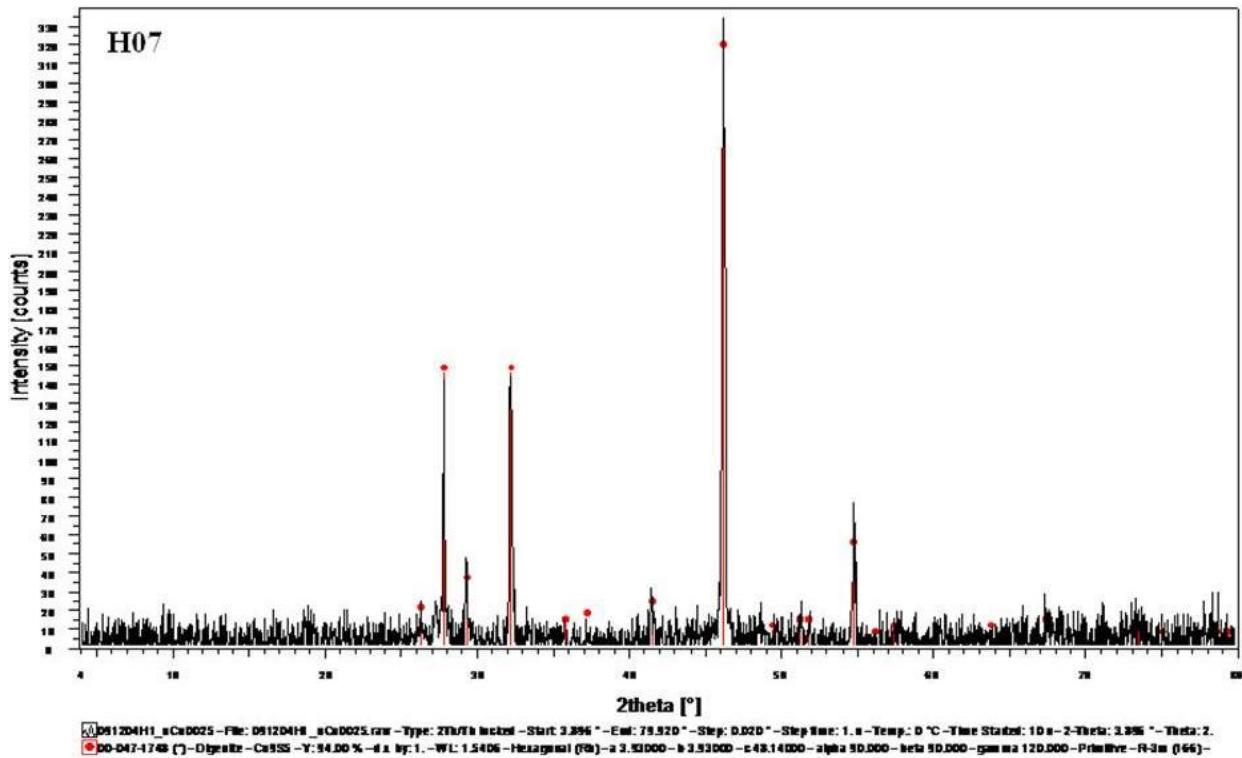
$$\begin{aligned}\text{Calculation Atomic ratio (Cu/S)} &= 46.92/ 53.08 \\ &= \mathbf{\underline{0.88}}$$

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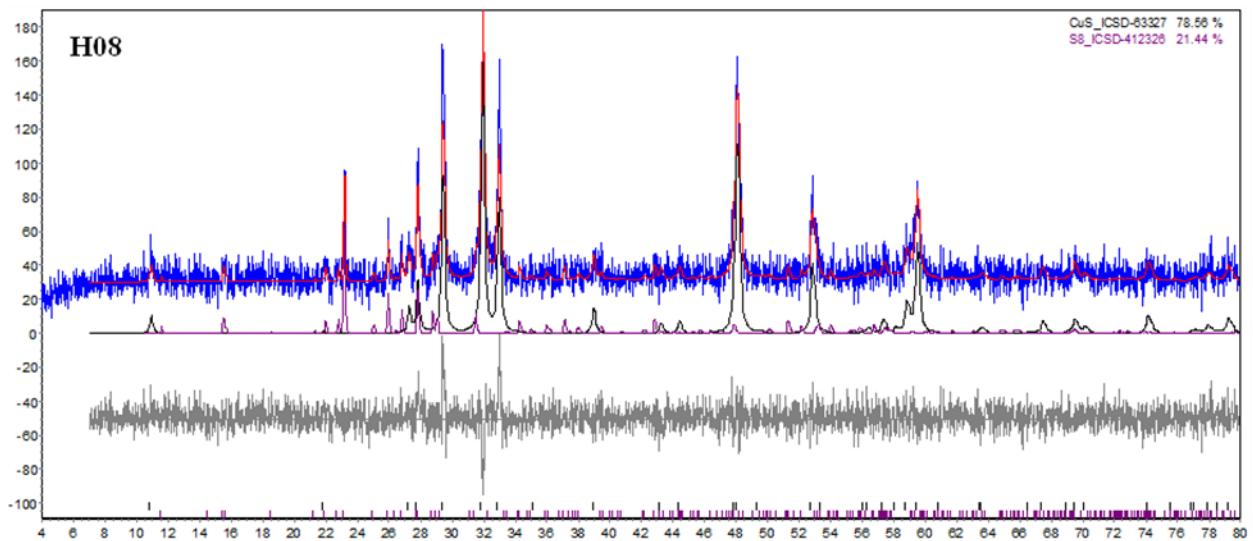
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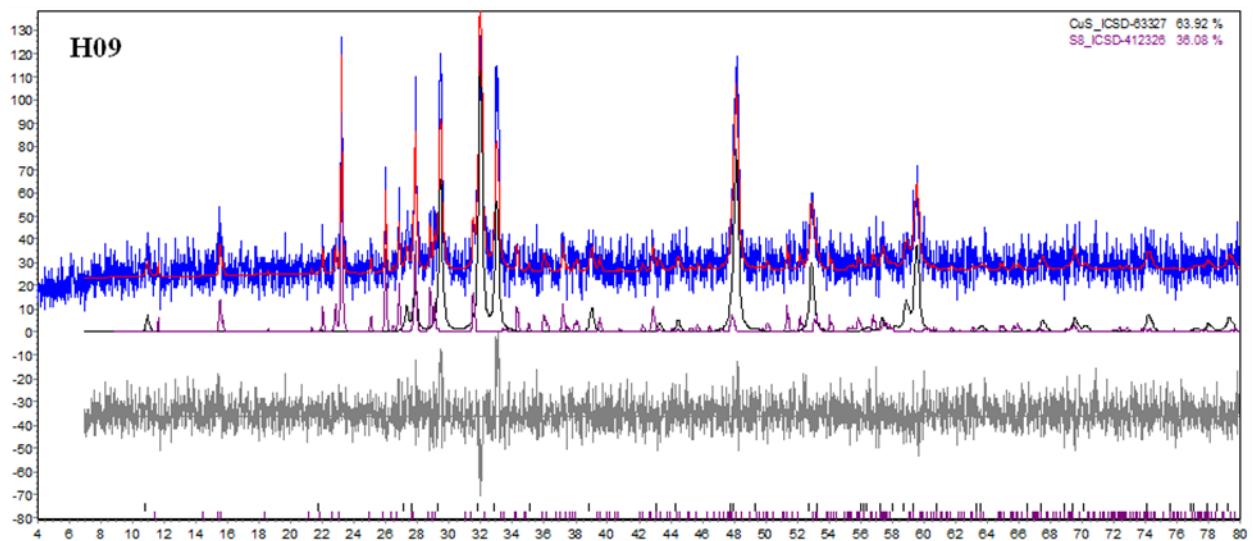
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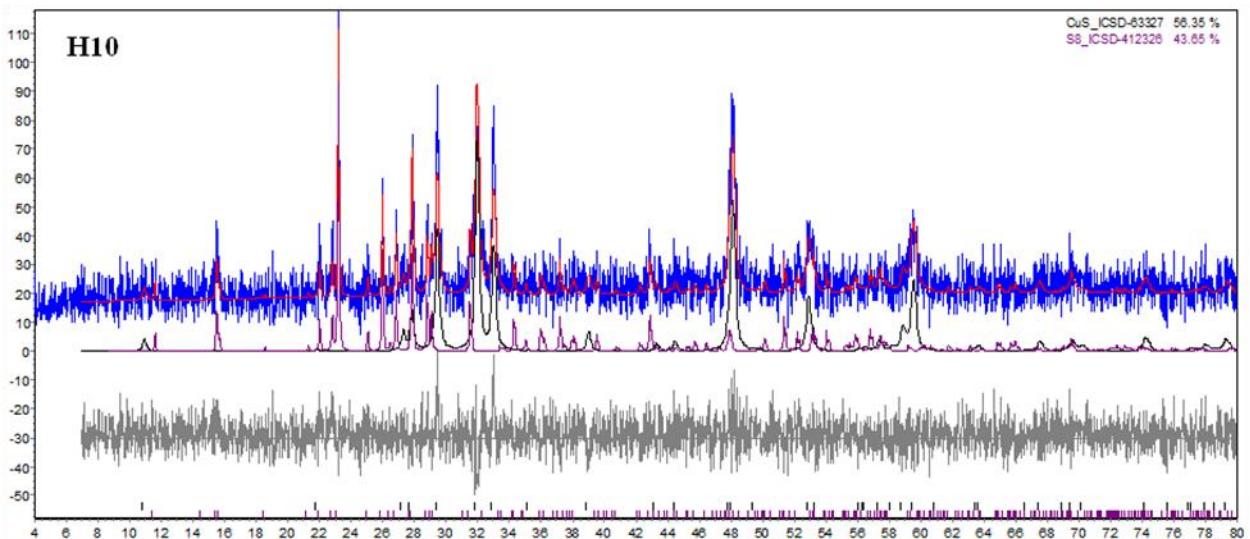
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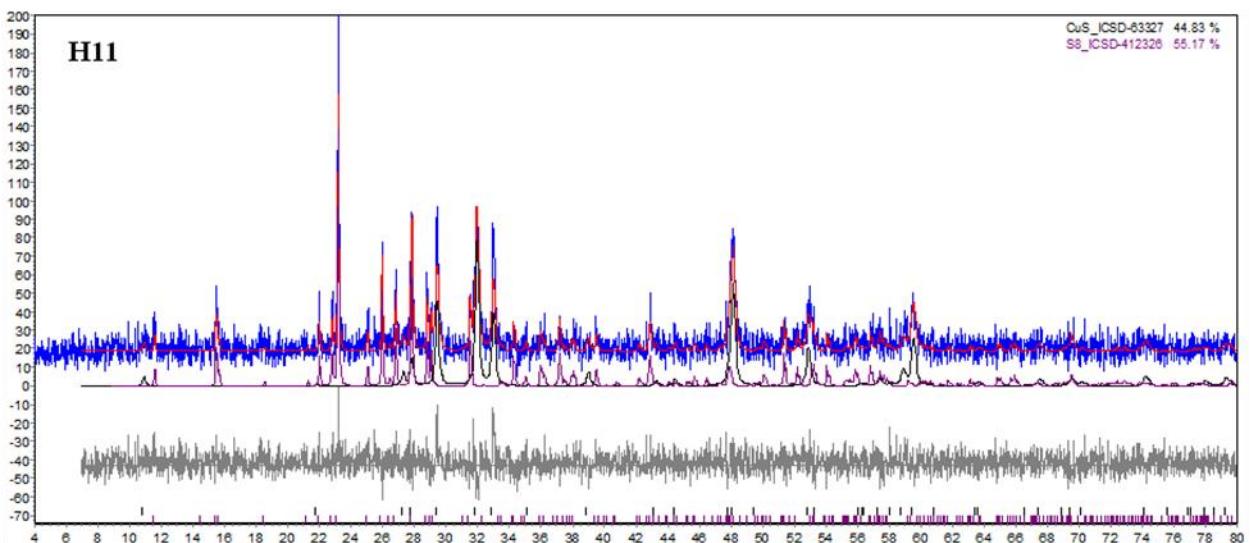
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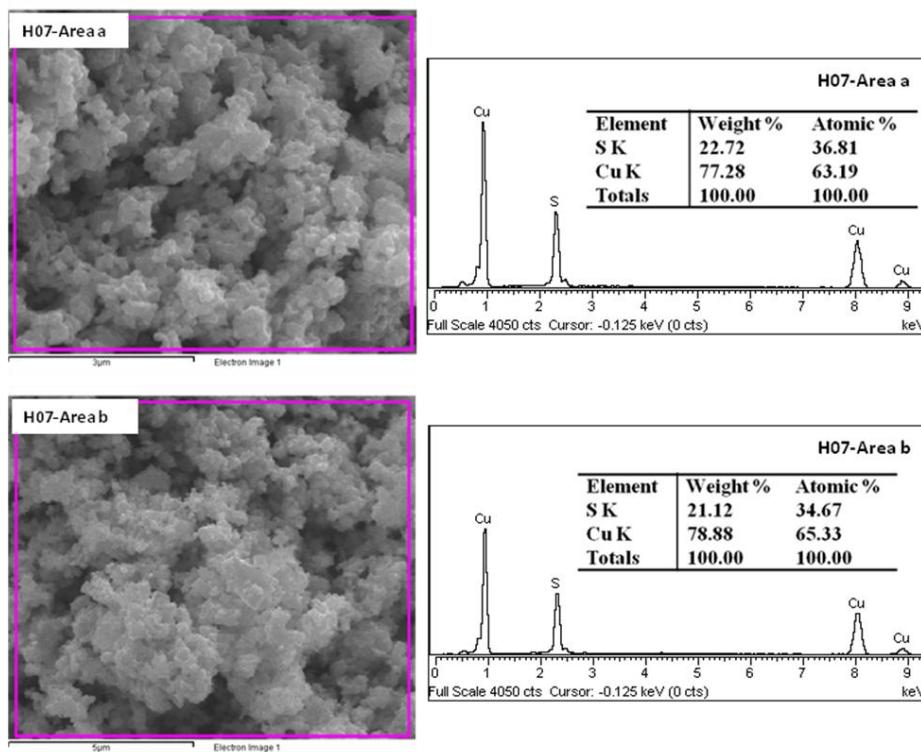


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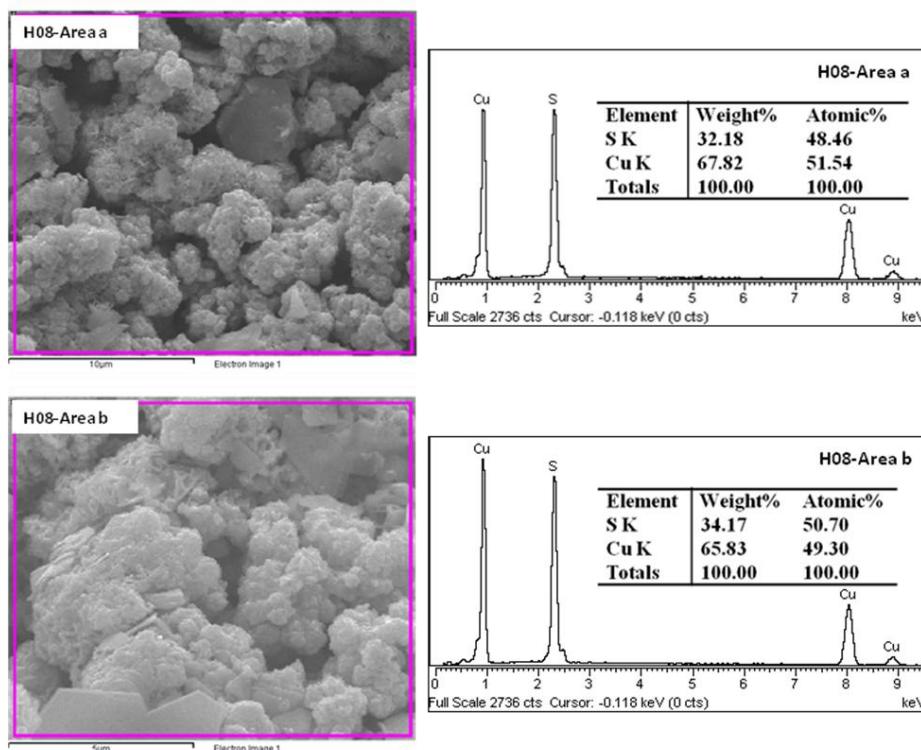


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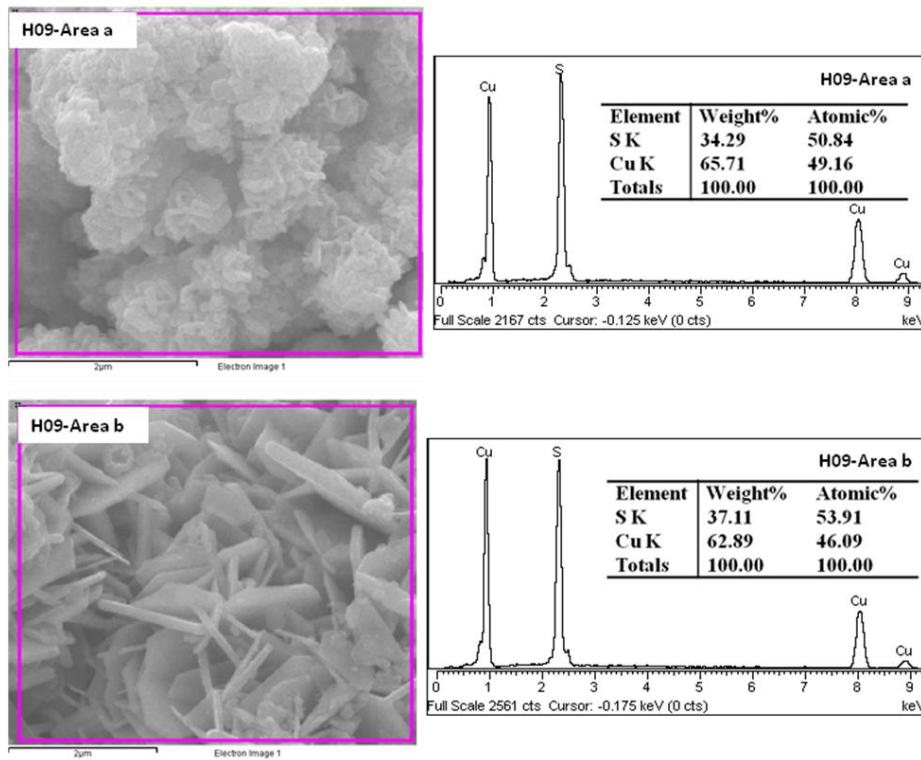
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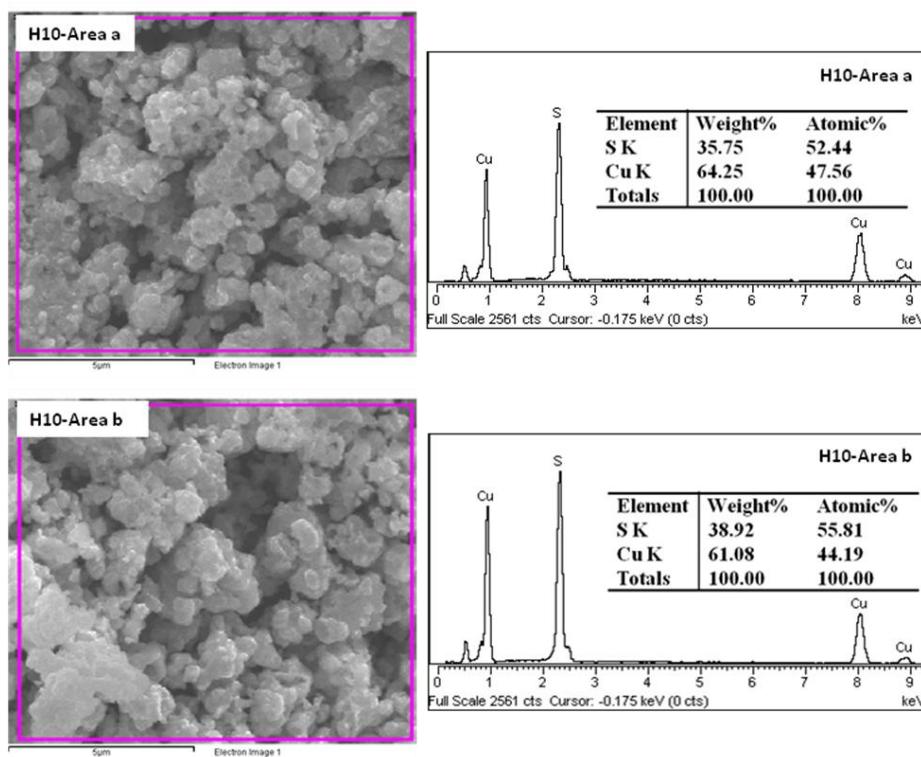
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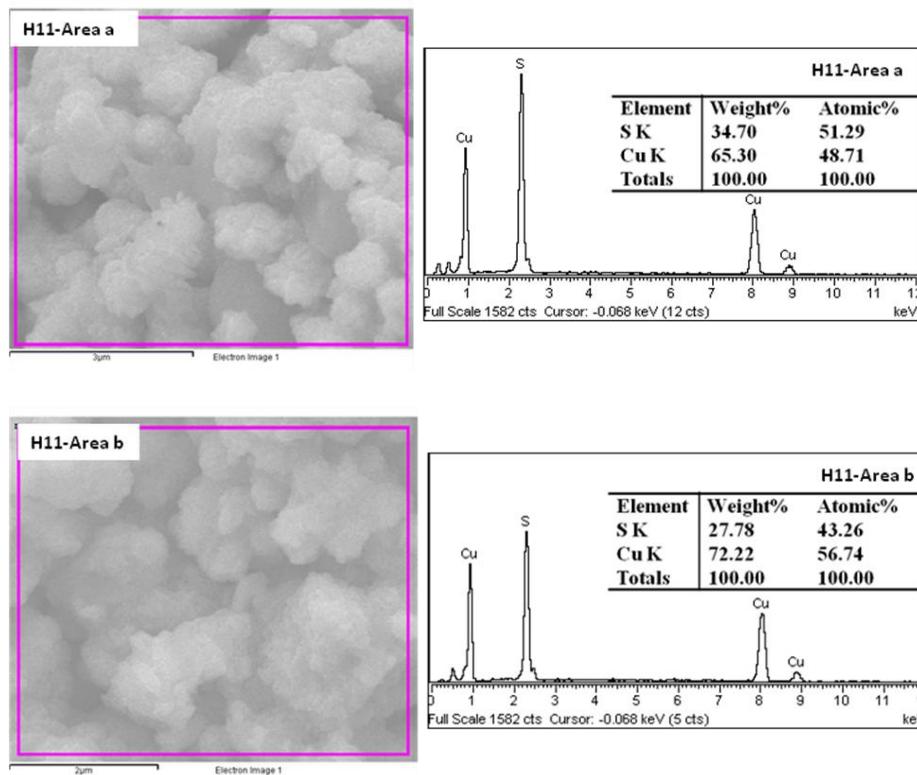
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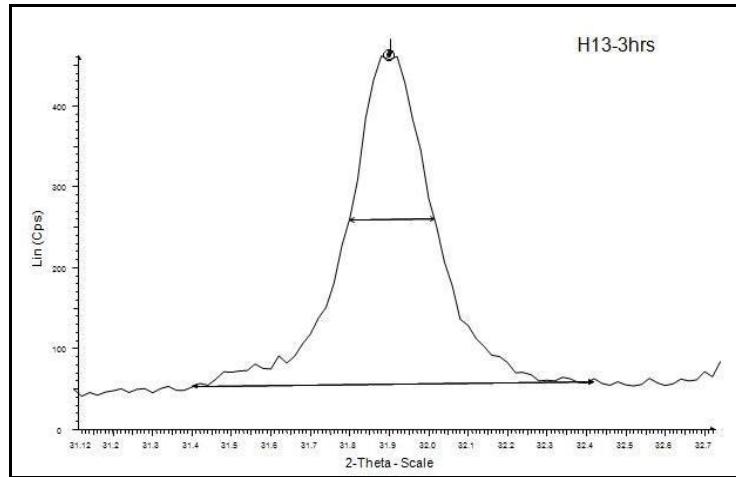


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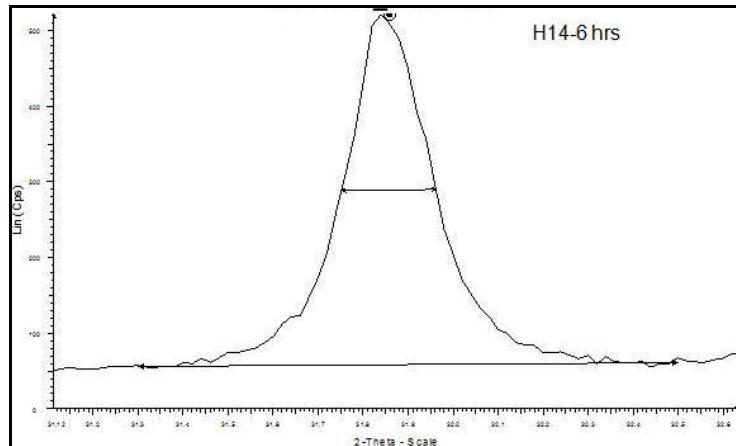


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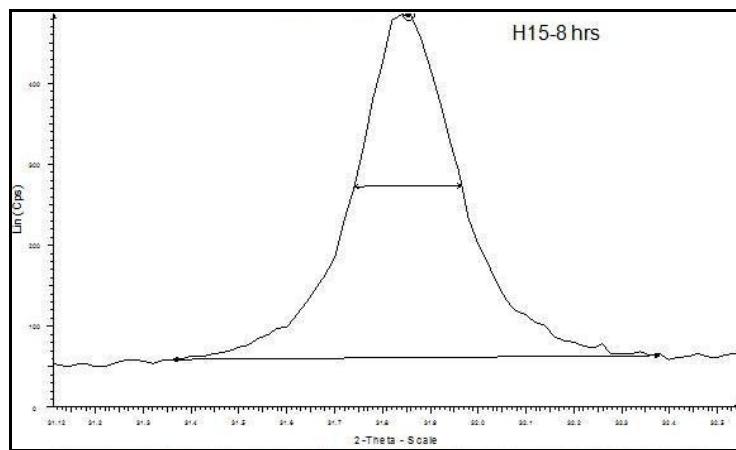
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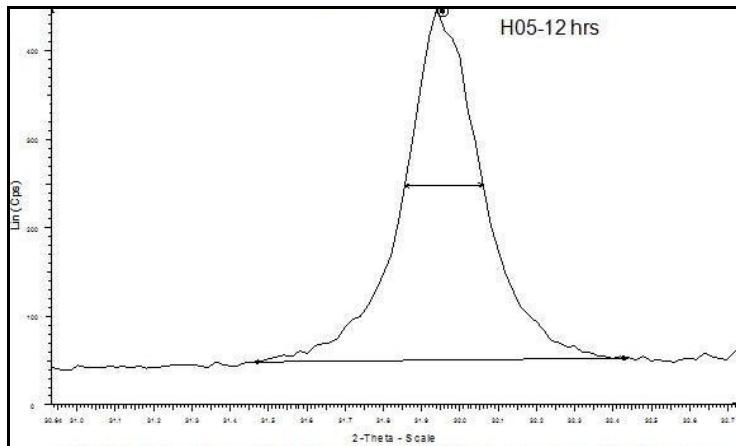
Peak fitting of characteristic peak of product synthesized at 3 hours (Sample H13).



Peak fitting of characteristic peak of product synthesized at 6 hours (Sample H14).



Peak fitting of characteristic peak of product synthesized at 8 hours (Sample H15).



Peak fitting of characteristic peak of product synthesized at 12 hours (Sample H05).

**Example of calculation for peak profile analysis (Sample H13):**

**FWHM (°)** = measured from each of the peak

$$\begin{aligned}\text{FWHM (rad)} &= 0.274 \times (3.142/180) \text{ rad} \\ &= \mathbf{0.00478}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Angle } (\theta) &= \text{Angle } (2\theta) / 2 \\ &= \mathbf{15.9675}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Crystallite size} &= (K \lambda) / (\beta \times \cos \theta) \\ &= (0.94 \times 0.15406) / (0.00478 \times \cos 15.9675) \\ &= \mathbf{31.49 \text{ nm}}\end{aligned}$$

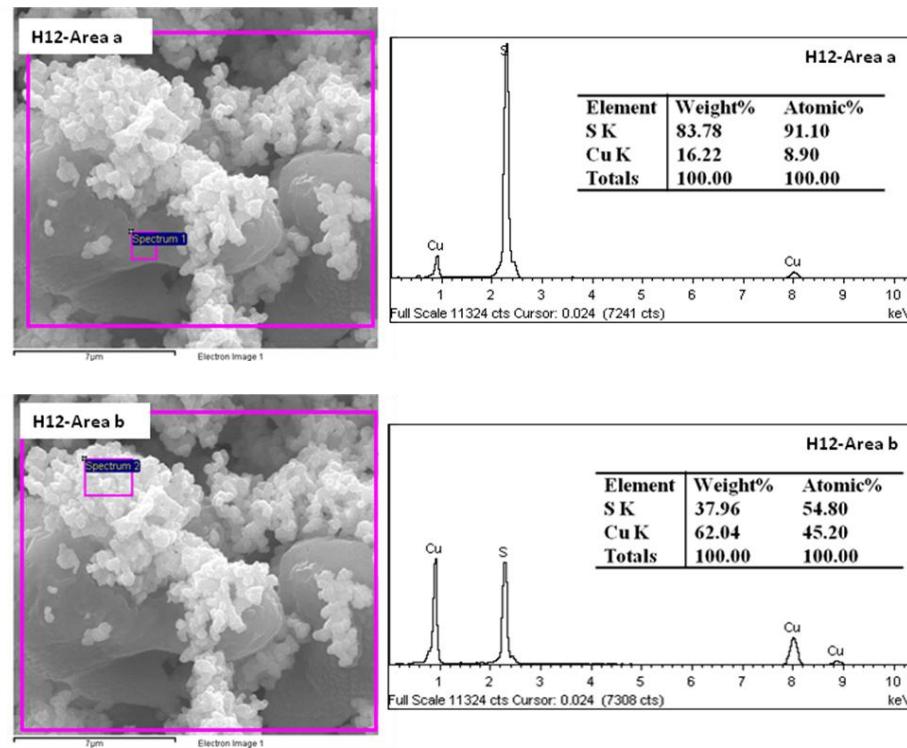
**Error Analysis:**

$$dL = \frac{K \lambda \times (\tan \vartheta / \cos \vartheta) \times d\vartheta}{\beta}$$

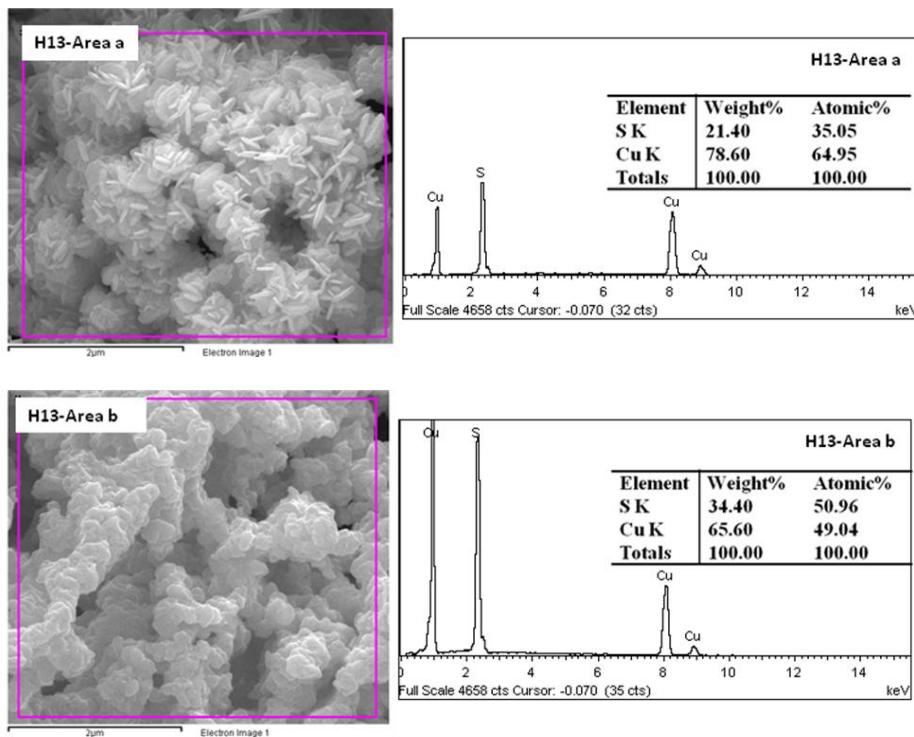
$$\begin{aligned}dL &= \frac{(0.94 \times 0.15406) \times (\tan 15.9675 / \cos 15.9675) \times (15.9675 \times 1 \%)}{0.00478} \\ &= \mathbf{1.44 \text{ nm}}\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, crystallite size for sample H13 is (31.49 ± 1.44) nm.

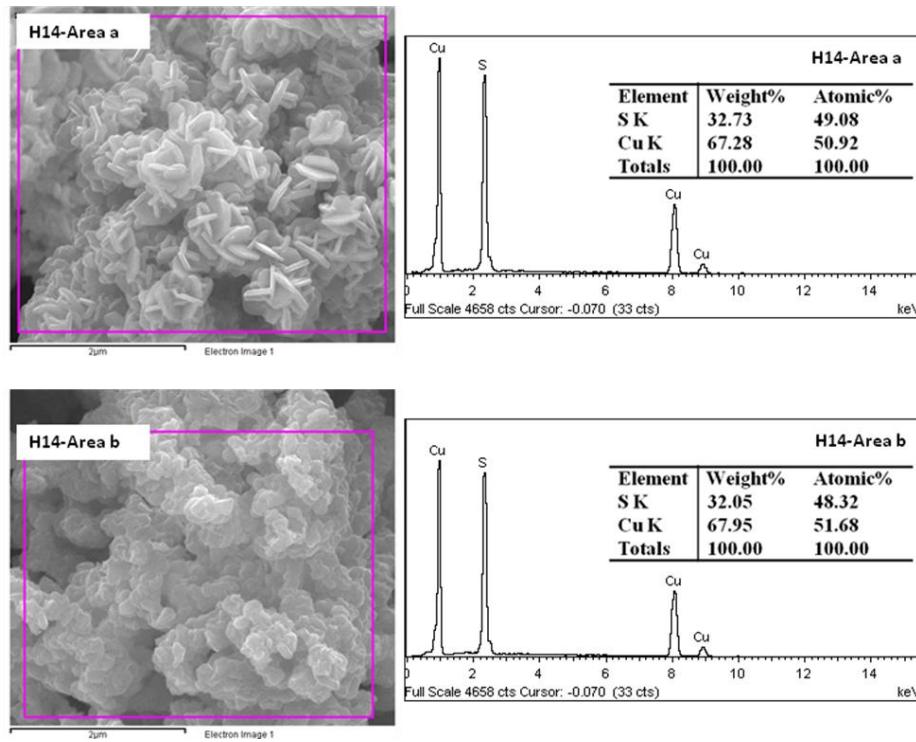
## Appendix F



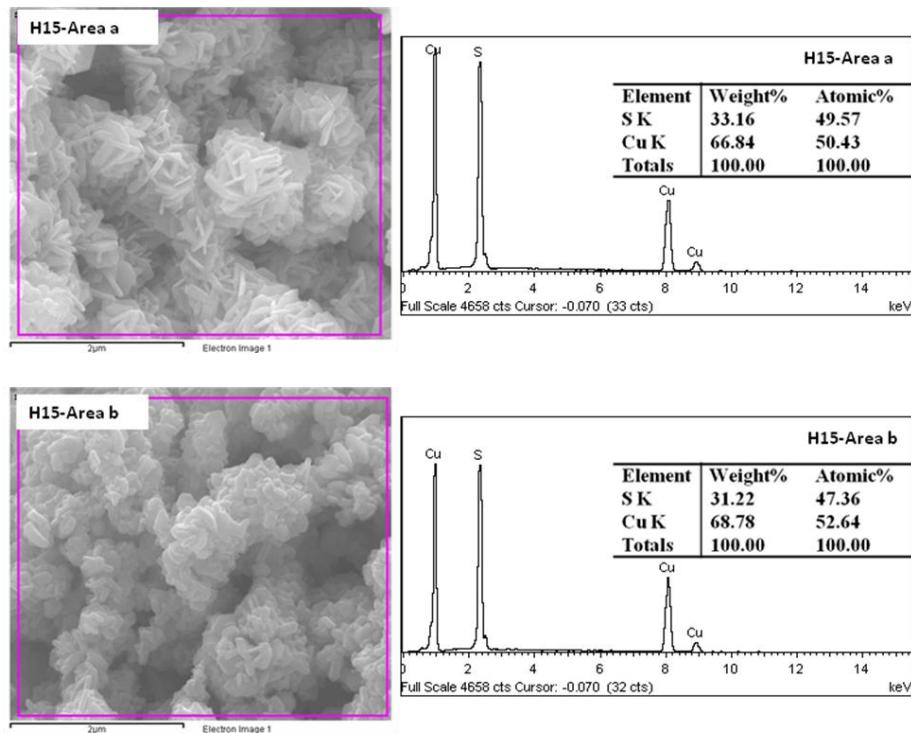
EDX analysis of H12 sample prepared at 155 °C, Cu: S mole ratio = 1: 2 for 1 hour.



EDX analysis of H13 sample prepared at 155 °C, Cu: S mole ratio = 1: 2 for 3 hours.

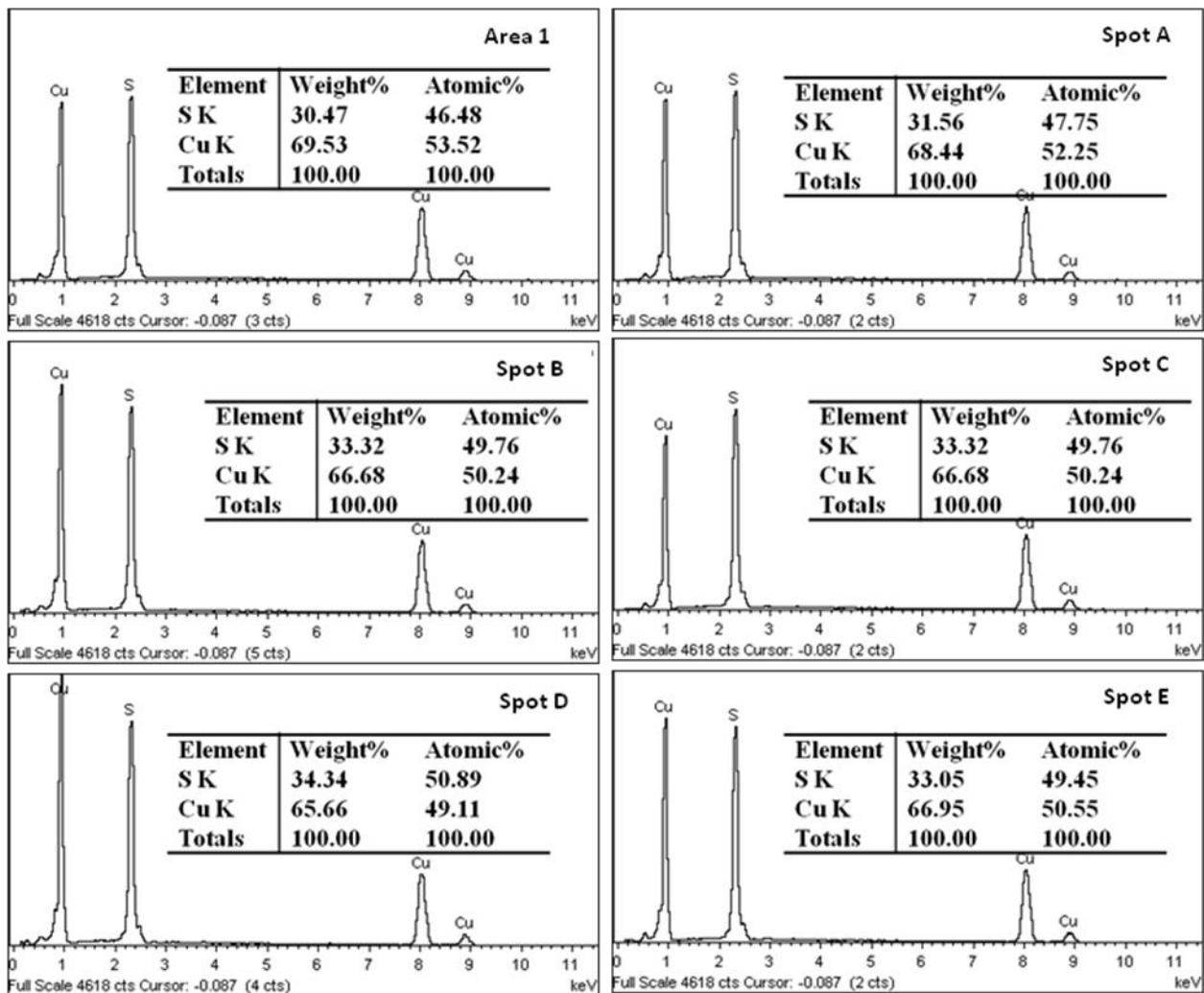


EDX analysis of H13 sample prepared at 155 °C, Cu: S mole ratio = 1: 2 for 6 hours.



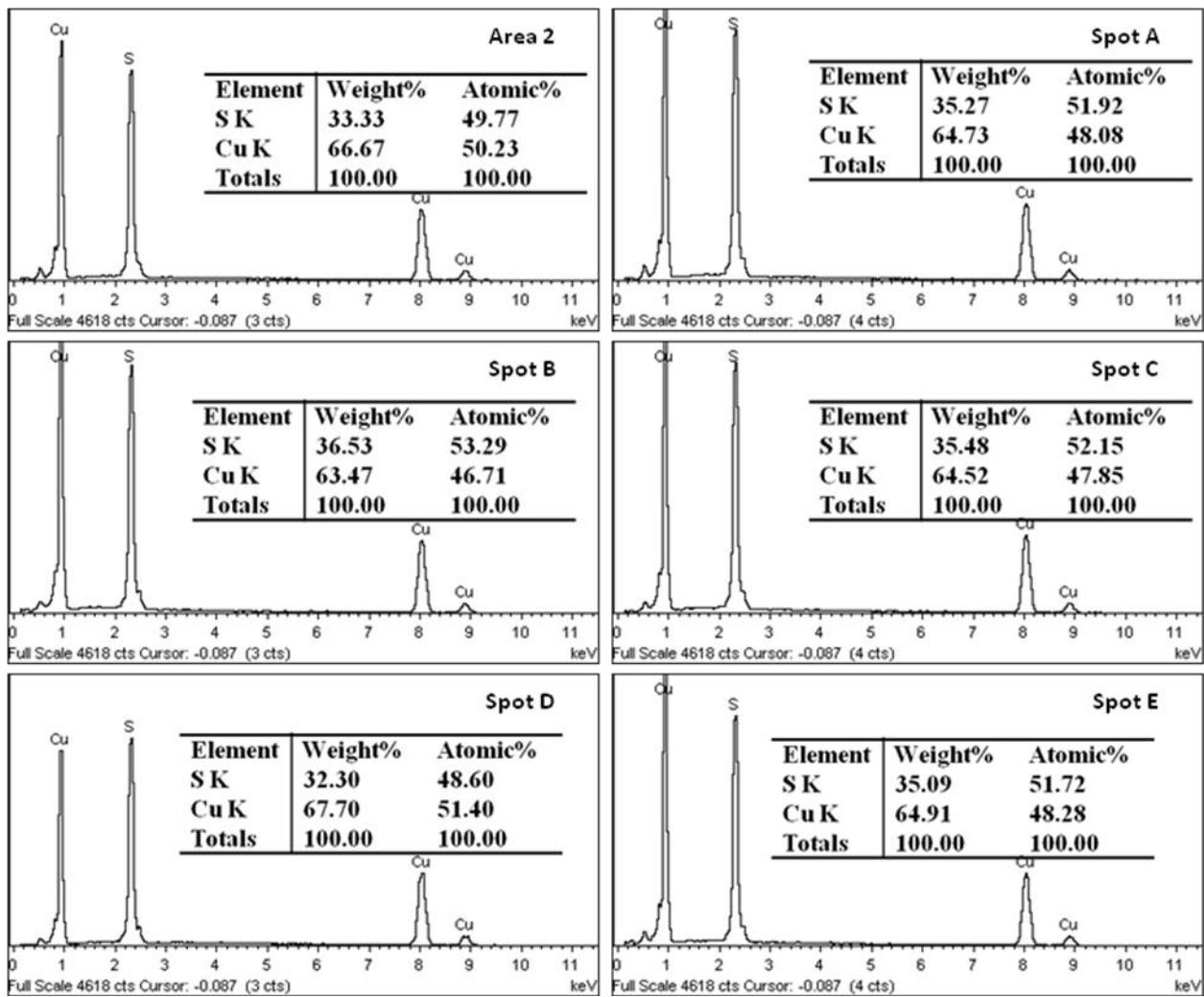
EDX analysis of H13 sample prepared at 155 °C, Cu: S mole ratio = 1: 2 for 8 hours.

## Appendix G



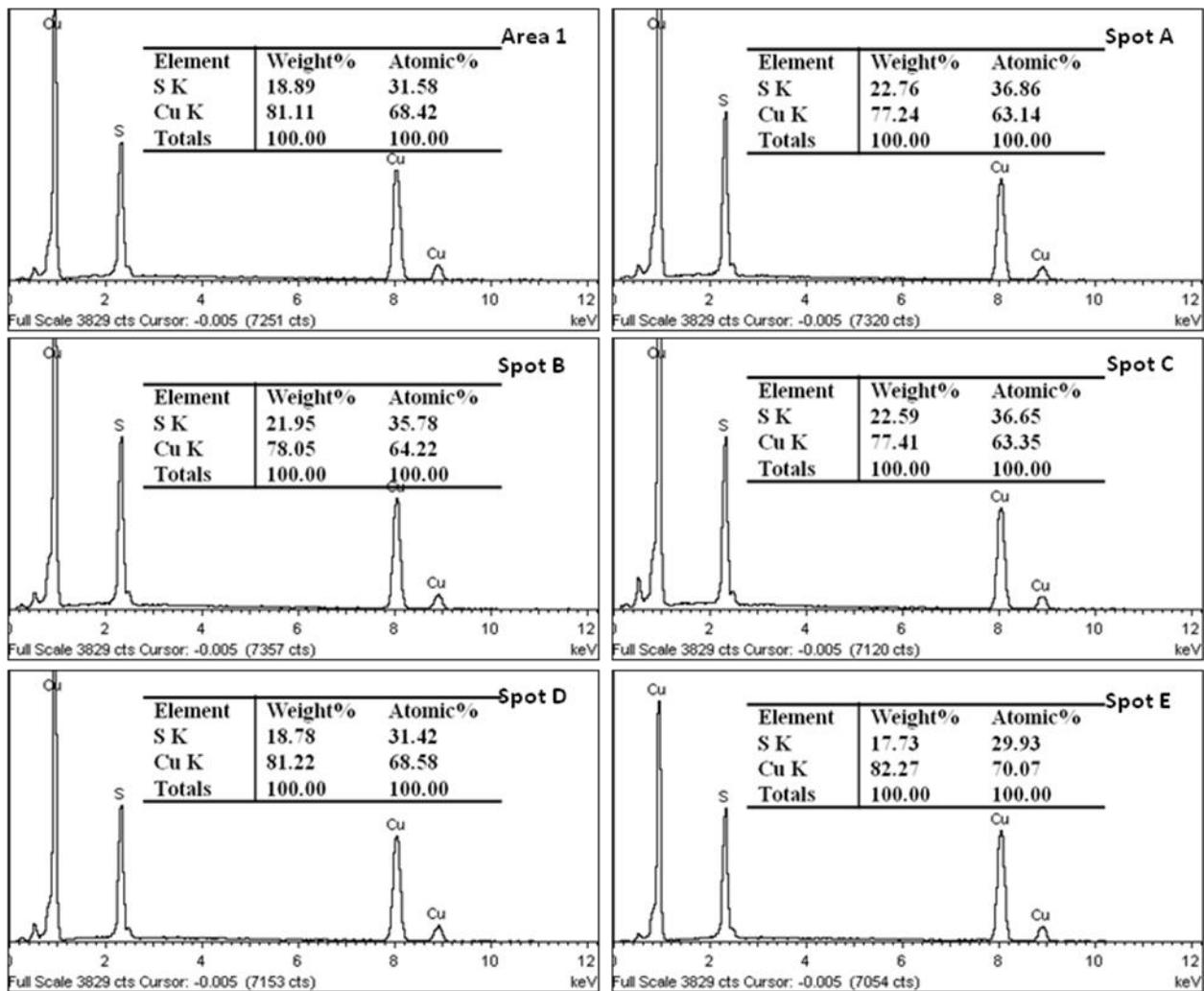
EDX spectra of phase pure covellite (area 1) prepared at 155 °C, Cu: S mole ratio = 1: 2 for 12 hours.

## Appendix H



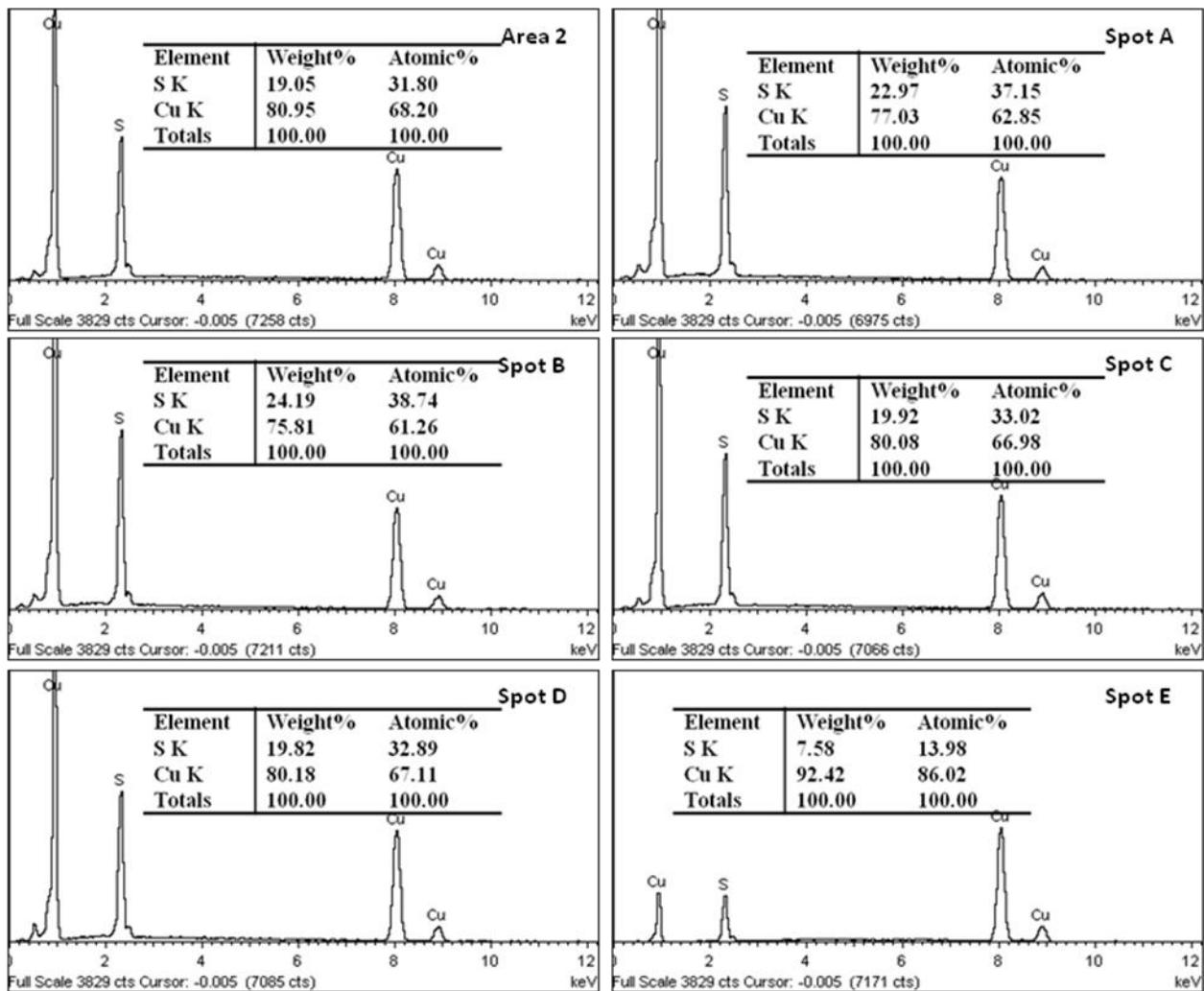
EDX spectra of phase pure covellite (area 2) prepared at 155 °C, Cu: S mole ratio = 1: 2 for 12 hours.

## Appendix I



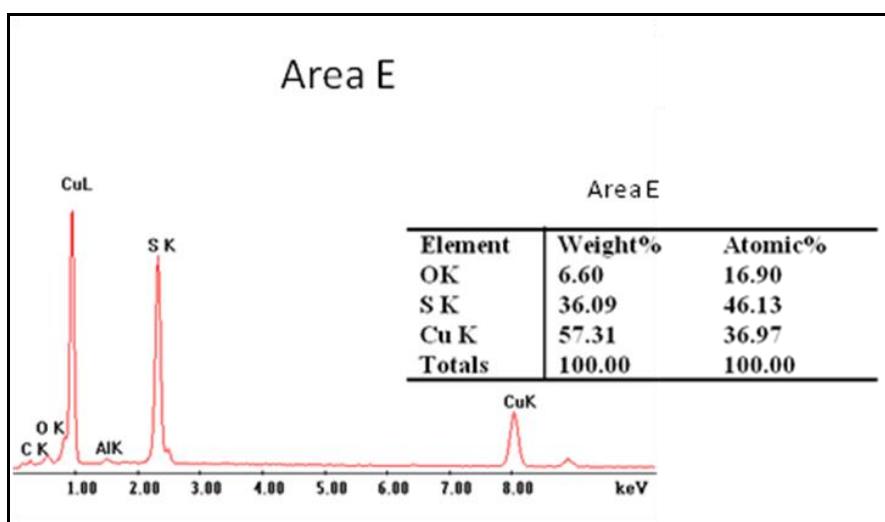
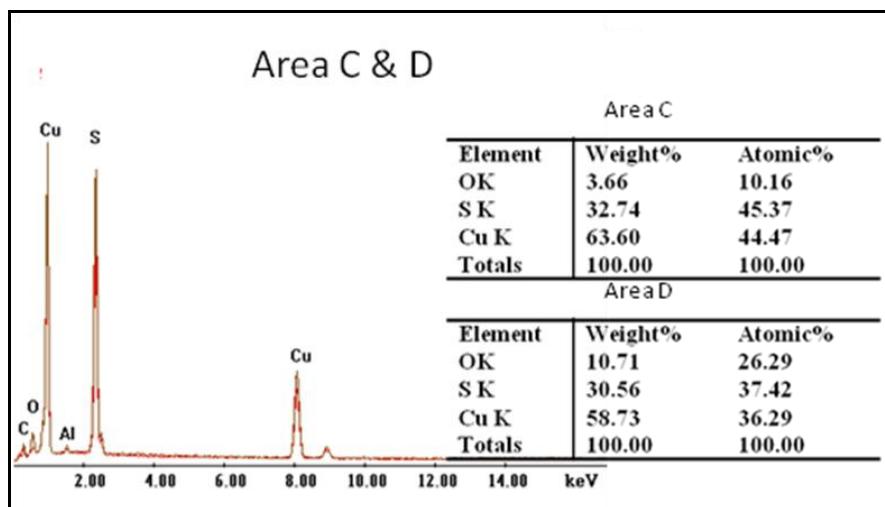
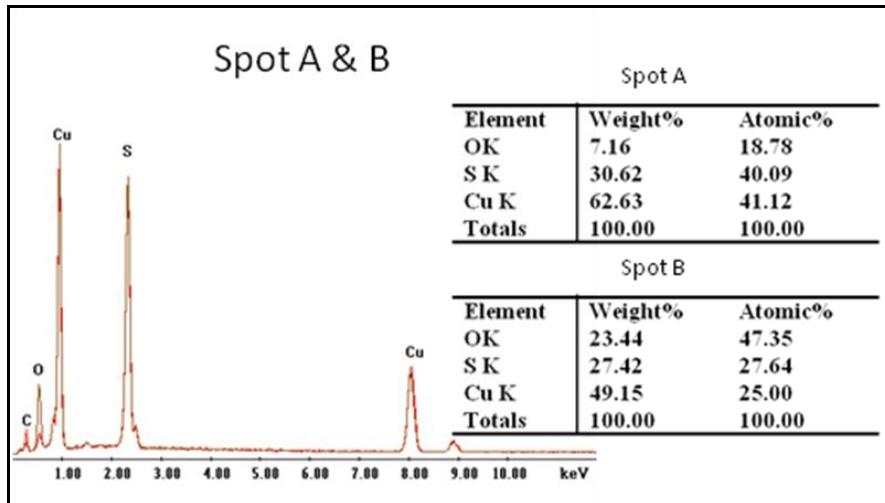
EDX spectra of phase pure digenite (area 1) prepared at 155 °C, Cu: S mole ratio = 1: 1.5 for 12 hours.

## Appendix J



EDX spectra of phase pure digenite (area 2) prepared at 155 °C, Cu: S mole ratio = 1: 1.5 for 12 hours.

## Appendix K



EDX spectra of phase transformed covellite.