

# Sintesis Material Mesopori Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> TiO<sub>2</sub> dari Mineral Ilmenit Bangka sebagai Fotokatalis = The Synthesis of Mesoporous Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> TiO<sub>2</sub> Materials from Bangka-Indonesia Ilmenite as Photocatalyst

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## Abstrak

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Indonesia memiliki banyak sumber daya alam ilmenit yang dapat dimanfaatkan lebih lanjut menjadi material mesopori Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> TiO<sub>2</sub>. Material mesopori dengan dinding (wall) yang tersusun atas nano-kristalin TiO<sub>2</sub> adalah kandidat yang sangat menjanjikan dalam memberikan sumbangan yang sangat signifikan untuk mengatasi permasalahan lingkungan dan krisis energi yang melanda dunia. Namun demikian, hingga sekarang ini masih sulit untuk memperoleh kombinasi sinergis dua hal utama yaitu susunan pori yang teratur (highly-oriented) dan tingkat kristalinitas yang tinggi.

Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mensintesis mesopori Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> TiO<sub>2</sub> dari mineral ilmenit (FeTiO<sub>3</sub>) untuk aplikasi pemurnian air limbah dan pembuatan prototipe DSSC. Metode yang digunakan dalam penelitian adalah kombinasi teknik hidrotermal dan sol-gel. Tahapan proses adalah mineral ilmenit yang telah dihaluskan dilakukan proses dekomposisi dengan larutan basa dalam autoklaf kemudian dilanjutkan dengan proses pelindian menggunakan asam sulfat. Larutan TiOSO<sub>4</sub> yang dihasilkan digunakan sebagai prekursor dalam mempersiapkan nanopartikel TiO<sub>2</sub> atau material mesopori Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> TiO<sub>2</sub>. Pengontrolan dalam proses sol-gel dilakukan dengan penambahan Fe, dextrin dan triblock copolimer. Hasil penelitian dikarakterisasi menggunakan XRF, AAS, TEM/SEM, BET, XRD, DRS, UV Vis.

Hasil penelitian memberikan gambaran tentang potensi yang besar terhadap ilmenit Bangka untuk dimanfaatkan sebagai bahan baku dalam pembuatan material mesopori Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> TiO<sub>2</sub>. Ilmenit terdekomposisi dengan pelarut basa (KOH dan NaOH) membentuk fase intermediet yaitu kalium titanat dan natrium titanat dengan morfologi yang berbentuk benang-benang halus.

Penambahan bubuk Fe dan dextrin mampu mengontrol pembentukan nanopartikel dan meningkatkan kemurnian TiO<sub>2</sub>. Penelitian ini juga berhasil mempersiapkan mesopori Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> TiO<sub>2</sub> yang digolongkan sebagai bidang kristal anatase maupun rutil dengan ukuran kristal rata-rata berkisar 5 -7 nm, energi band gap berkisar 3,00 ? 3,16 eV dan luas permukaan, SBET berkisar.100 ? 151 m<sup>2</sup>/g.;

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