

**One-step synthesis, structure and band gap properties of SnO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles made by a low temperature non-aqueous sol-gel technique**

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***Dedicated to the memory of our friend and colleague, Dr Russell Binions***

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**Electronic Supporting Information (ESI):**

**Figure S1.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of the filtered reaction solution measured in  $\text{CDCl}_3$  of the  $\text{SnO}_2$  nanoparticles.

**Figure S2.** Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) of the  $\text{SnO}_2$  nanoparticle samples synthesised at different temperatures.

**Table S1.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR chemical shift values for key organic species discussed in the text.

Figure S1

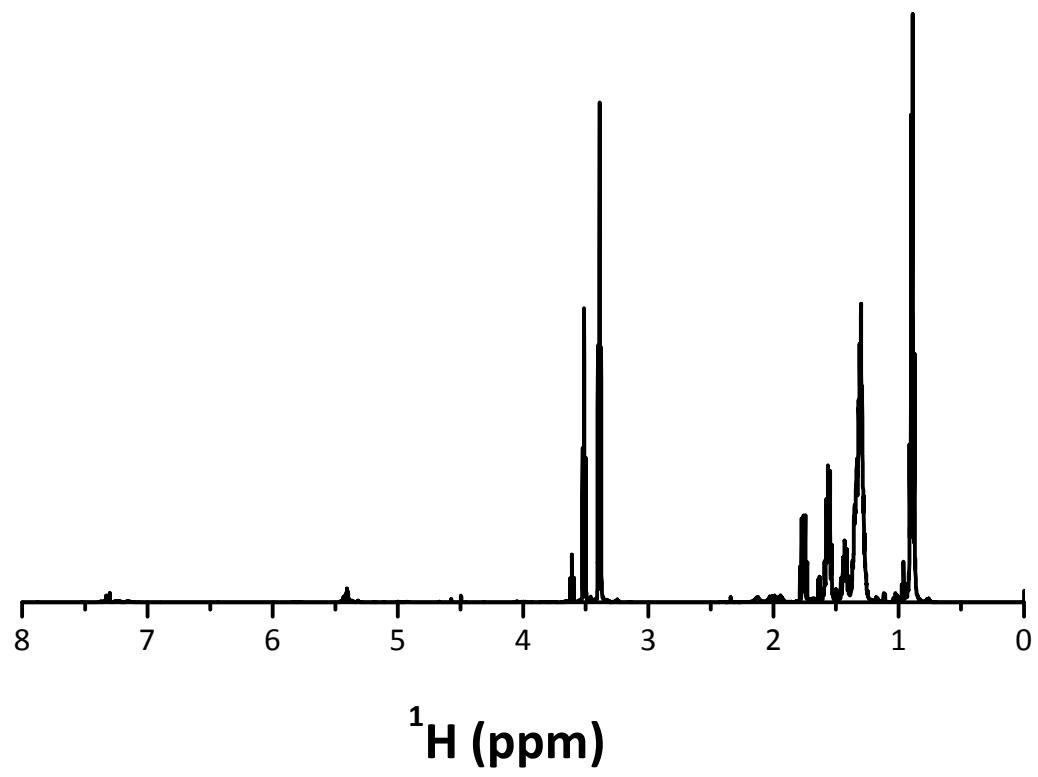


Figure S2

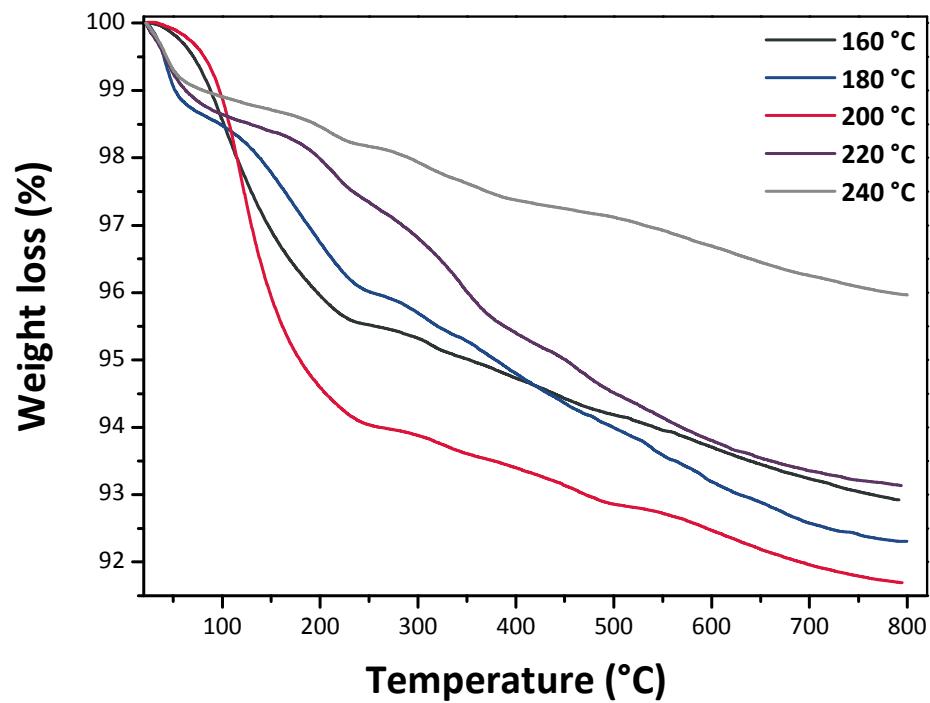


Table S1

	Dihexyl ether	Hexyl alcohol	1-chlorohexane
<b>1</b>	71.05	62.80	45.12
<b>2</b>	31.85	32.79	32.79
<b>3</b>	29.90	31.80	31.23
<b>4</b>	26.01	25.59	26.71
<b>5</b>	22.71	22.75	22.63
<b>6</b>	14.02	14.07	14.02