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- a. Original articles
- b. Reviews
- c. Short reviews
- d. Communications
- e. Technical notes
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2.1 Surface characterization

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