Supporting Information

Hierarchically Macroporous Cryogels of Polyisobutylene and Silica Nanoparticles

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Silica % in the feed	Gel preparation temperature				
	+13 °C	-2 °C	-7 °C	-10 °C	-18 °C
0	0 (1.0)	0 (1.0)	0 (1.0)	0 (0.9)	0 (0.8)
1	0.60 (0.42)	0.80 (1.0)	0.98 (1.0)	1.00 (1.0)	0.64 (1.0)
2	1.88 (0.74)	1.66 (1.0)	2.00 (1.0)	2.00 (1.0)	0.76 (1.0)
4	4.00 (0.81)	3.84 (1.0)	3.96 (1.0)	3.84 (1.0)	3.88 (1.0)

Table S1: Silica content of hybrid gel networks formed at various temperatures and silica concentrations. The values of gel fractions W_g are given in parenthesis.

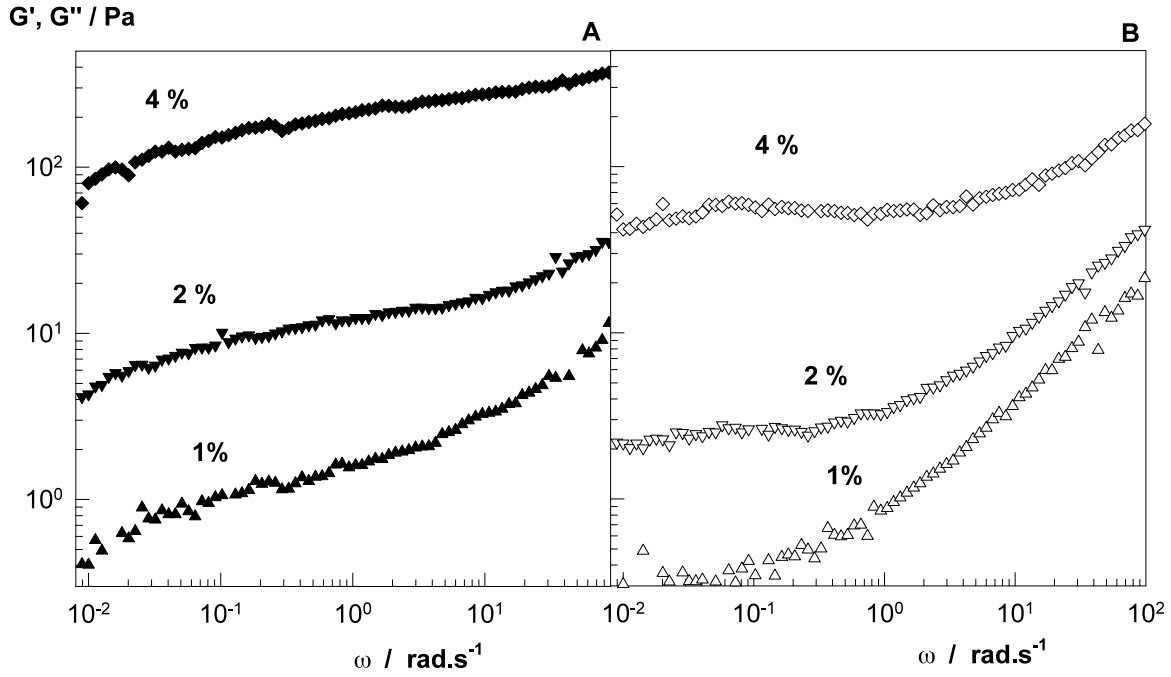

Figure S1. Elastic modulus G' (A, filled symbols) and viscous modulus G'' (B, open symbols) shown as a function of the angular frequency ω at 25ºC for 5% PIB solution in cyclohexane in the presence of various amounts of silica indicated.

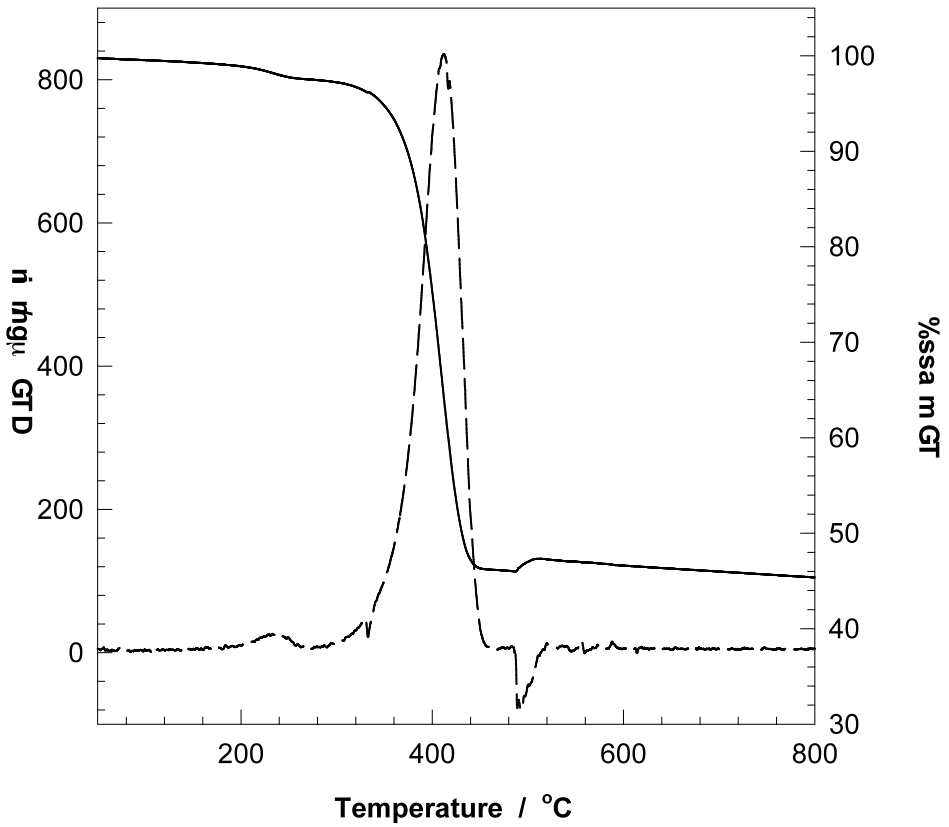

Figure S2: TG-DTG curves of a hybrid network formed at -18ºC in the presence of 4 % silica.

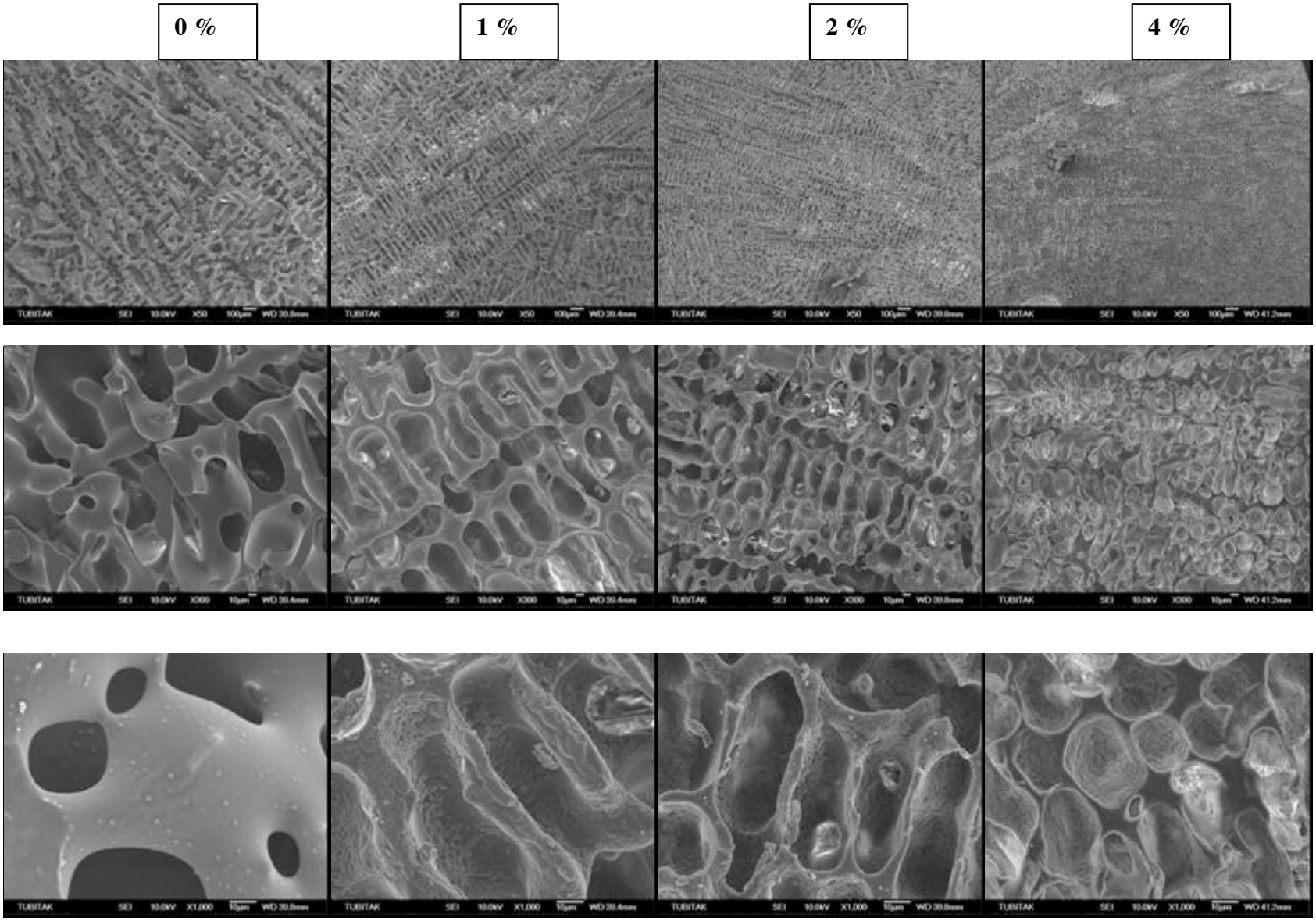

Figure S3: (A): SEM Images of hybrid networks formed at -2ºC and at various silica contents indicated. Scale bars are = 100 μm (1st row), 10 μm (2nd and 3rd rows)

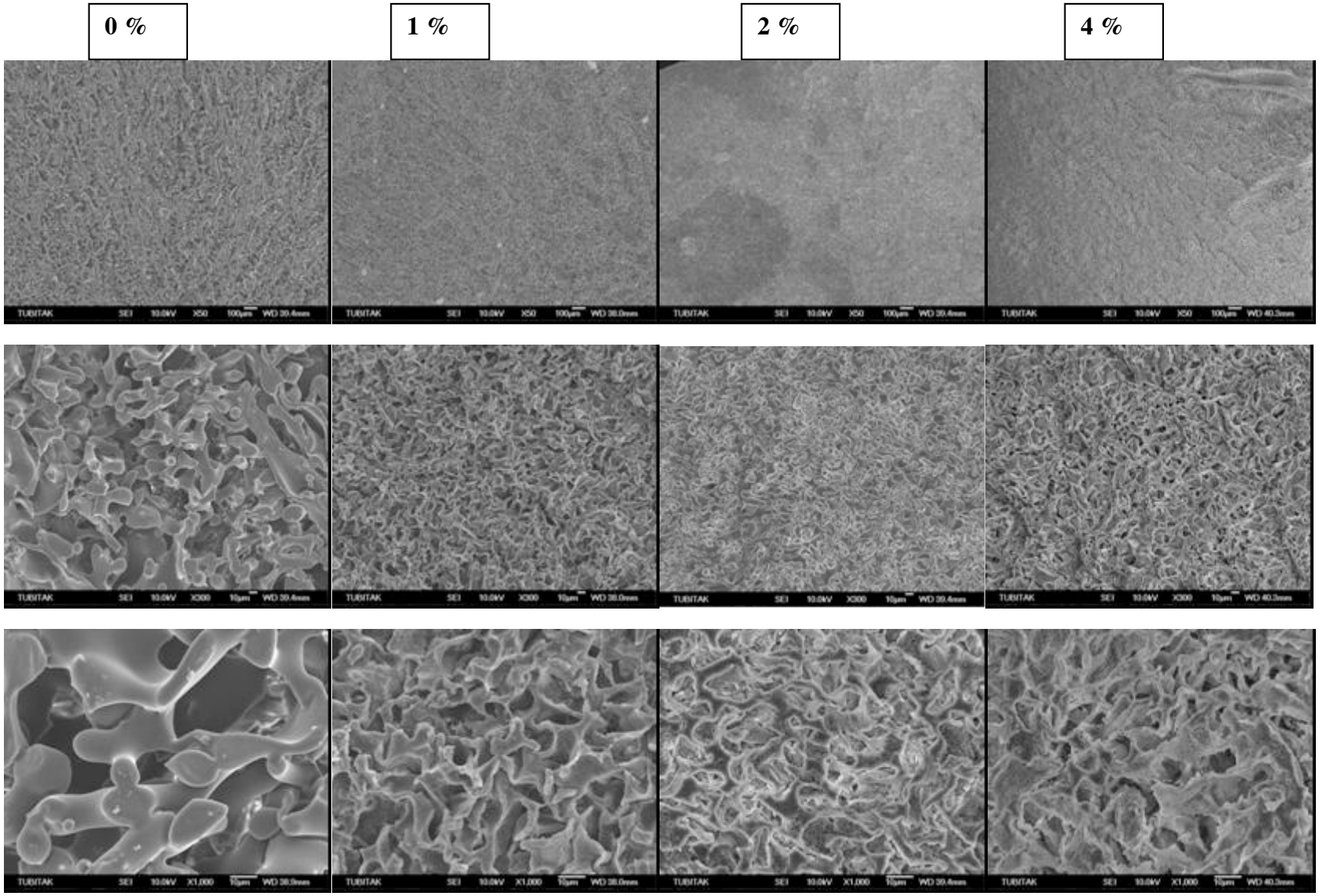

Figure S3: (B): SEM Images of hybrid networks formed at -18ºC and at various silica contents indicated. Scale bars are = 100 μm (1st row), 10 μm (2nd and 3rd rows)

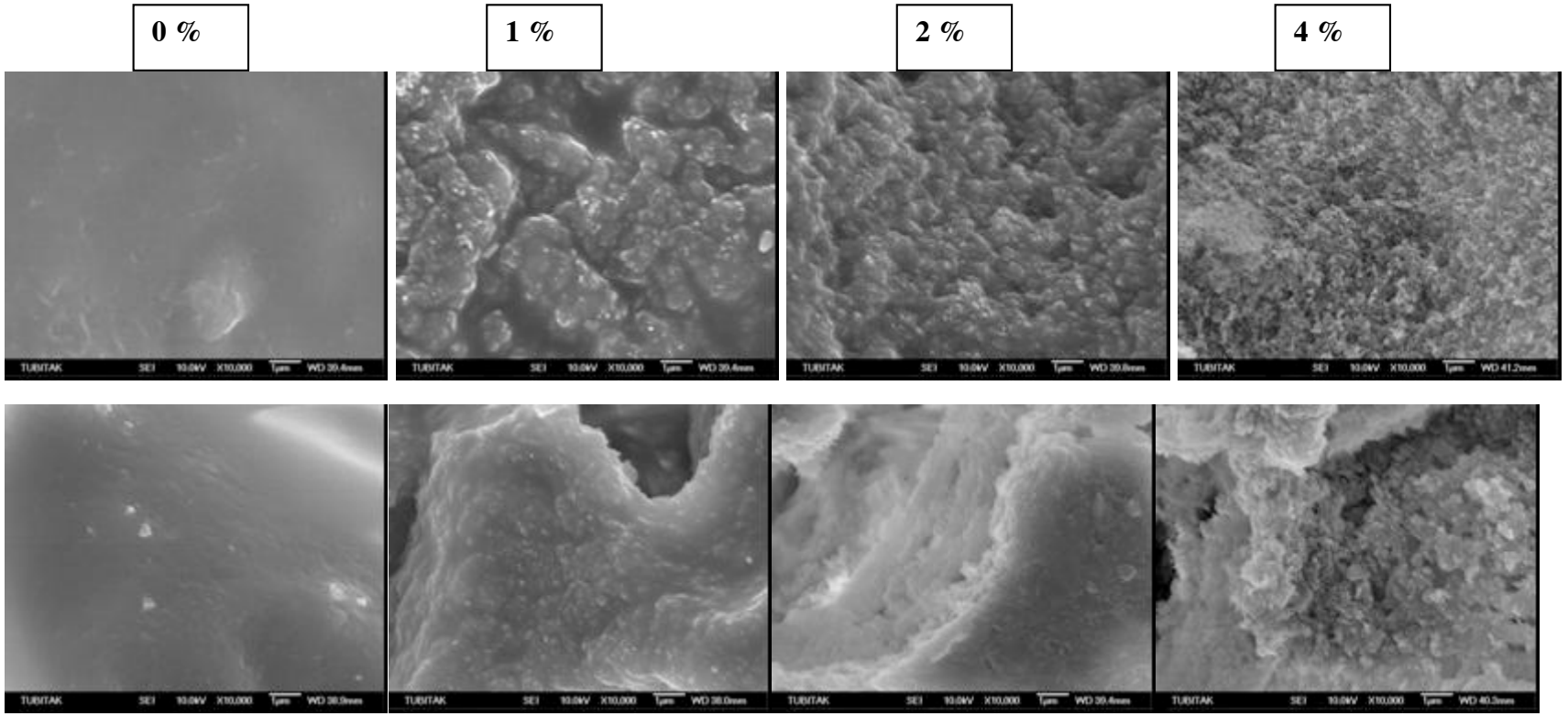

Figure S4: SEM Images of hybrid networks formed at -2°C (1st row) and -18°C (2nd row) at various silica contents indicated. Scale bars are 1 μm.

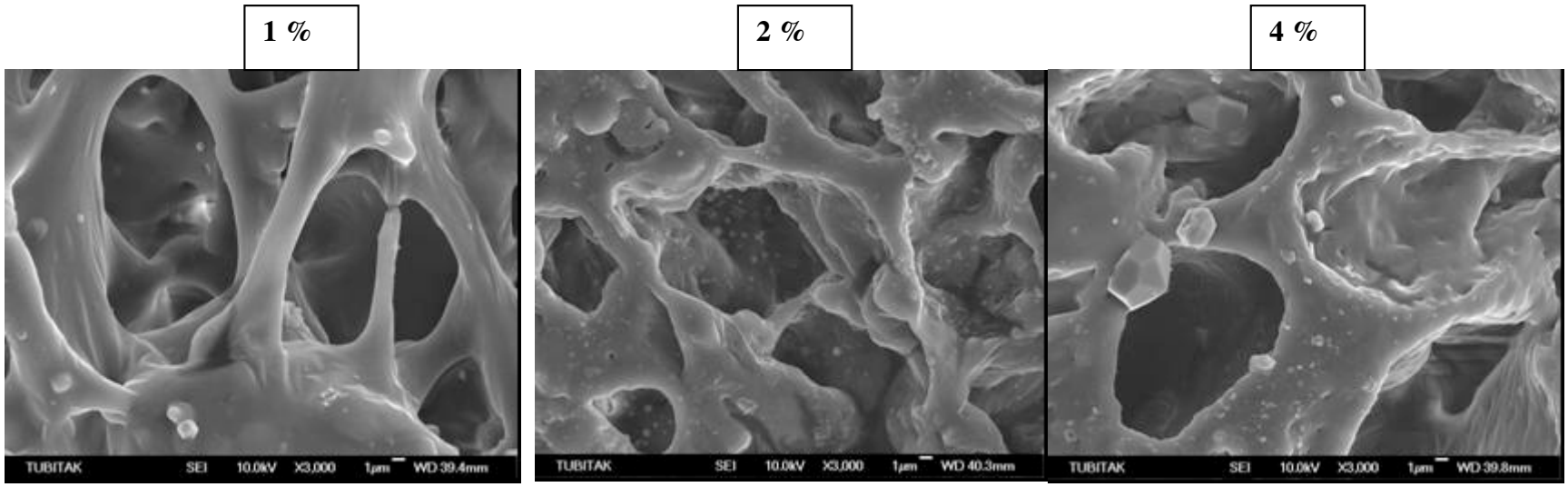

Figure S5: SEM Images of hybrid networks formed at -18ºC after treatment with aqueous HF. Initial silica contents indicated. Scale bars are 1 μm.