

Fig 1. (a) Cross-sectional STEM micrograph of a “[2 nm Al_2O_3 (16 cycles) : 0.5 nm TiO_2 (16 cycles)]*10” sample and (b) XRR measurements in grazing angle of incidence up to 3° and simulation curves of selected $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3/\text{TiO}_2$ nanocomposites. These observations ensure achieving controlled growth of atomic scale heterostructures by means of PEALD.

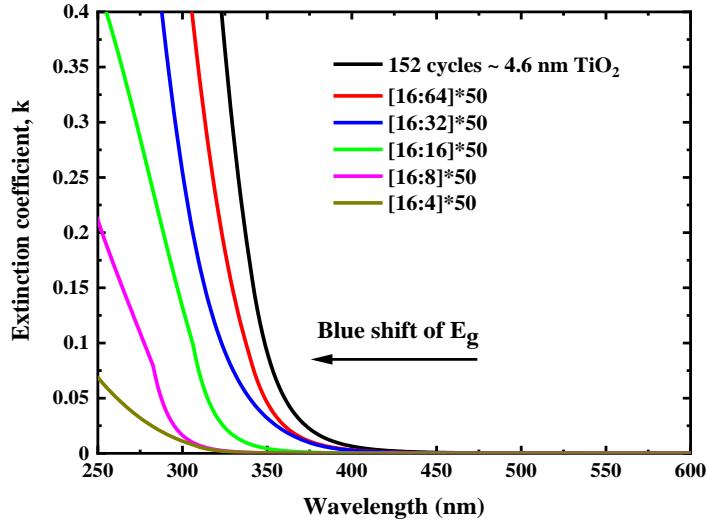


Fig 2. Significant blue shift in absorption edge leading to the presence of optical quantum confinement as the TiO_2 (quantum well) thickness becomes comparable to ~ 0.5 nm (16 cycles).