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試料、実験方法、利用の結果得られた主なデータ、考察、結論等を、記述して下さい。(適宜、図表添付のこと)  
Please report your samples, experimental method and results, discussion and conclusions. Please add figures and tables for better explanation.

1. 試料 Name of sample(s) and chemical formula, or compositions including physical form.
TiO <sub>2</sub> powder

2. 実験方法及び結果 (実験がうまくいかなかった場合、その理由を記述してください。) Experimental method and results. If you failed to conduct experiment as planned, please describe reasons.
Semiconductor photocatalytic reaction, which occurs at photoirradiated interface between a semiconductor surface and a solution, is of great importance for both fundamental studies and practical applications. Among the semiconductors, titanium dioxide (TiO <sub>2</sub> ) is one of the most efficient and promising material for photocatalytic reactions. It is known that we can see much difference in the photocatalytic activity, depending on the nature of TiO <sub>2</sub> . Many researchers claimed the factors controlling the activity, for example, crystal structure, surface area, or surface hydroxyls. Recombination of electron-hole might be also one of the most significant factors giving influence on the activity and depend strongly on the nature of TiO <sub>2</sub> nano crystal, it has been suggested by the femtosecond laser spectroscopy, that oxygen vacancy might affect these recombination process, however, microscopic picture is not yet established. One of the important step to clarify these phenomena, the spatial distribution of oxygen vacancy in TiO <sub>2</sub> nano crystal is very important. In this situation, MuSR

## 2. 実験方法及び結果(つづき) Experimental method and results (continued)

We performed TF and ZF measurement at room temperature with a dedicated sample holder, which can evacuate water on the sample. With and without annealing, no difference of time spectra was observed. Therefore, the origin of the relaxation is not due to the magnetic moment of the hydrogen on the surface. The most probable origin is the moment of oxygen vacancy.