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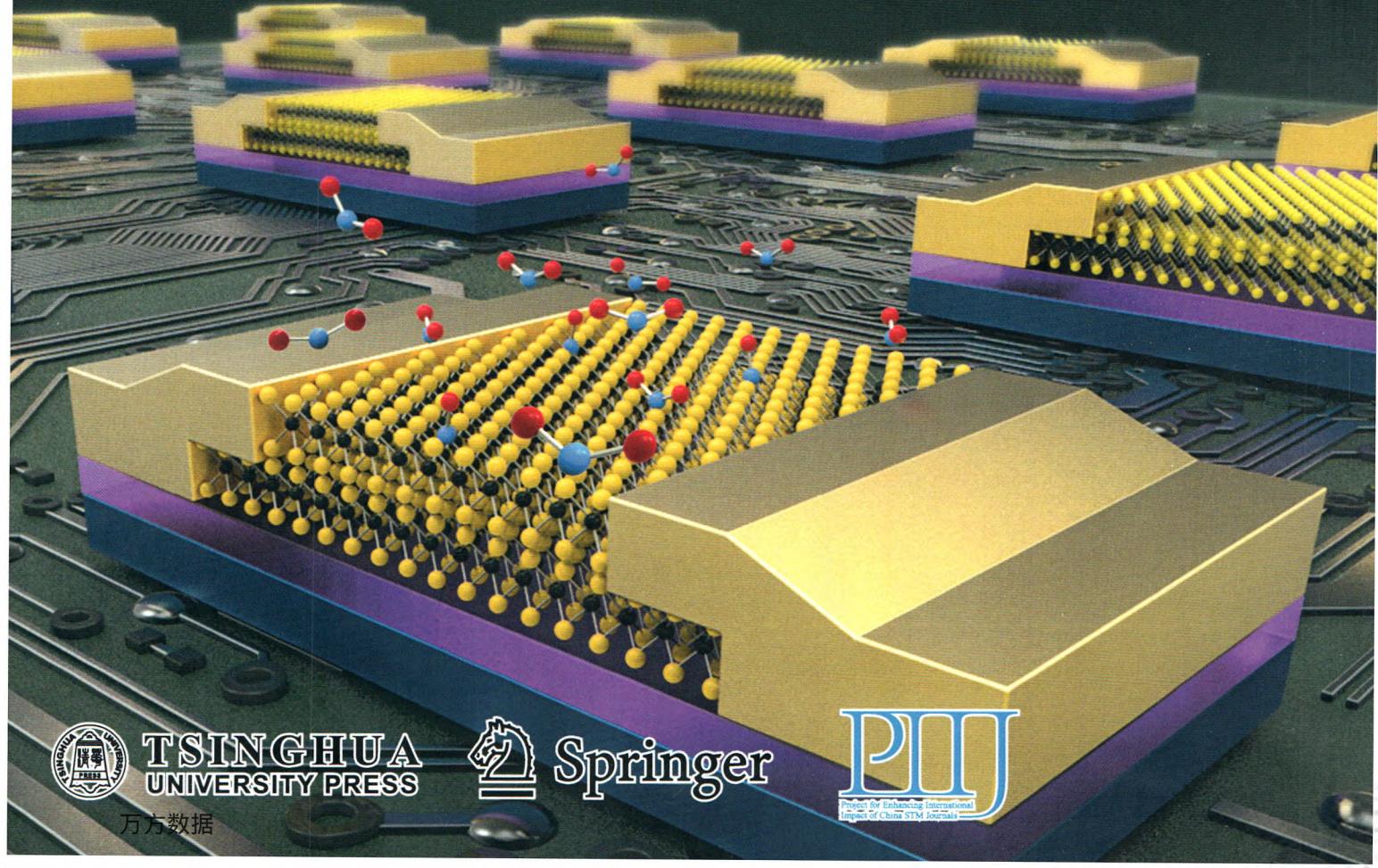


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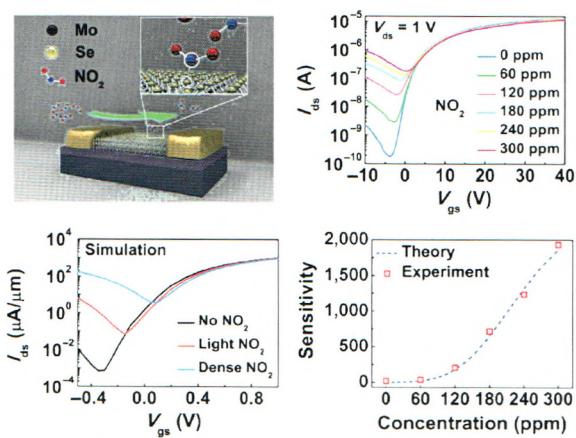
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A highly sensitive chemical vapor deposited multilayer MoSe<sub>2</sub> field-effect transistor (FET) for a NO<sub>2</sub> gas sensor is demonstrated. The sensor exhibits ultra-high sensitivity, real-time response, and fast on-off switching. Device modeling and quantum transport simulations reveal that the variation of gap states in the MoSe<sub>2</sub> with NO<sub>2</sub> concentration is the key mechanism in MoSe<sub>2</sub> FET-based NO<sub>2</sub> gas sensors.

## 1861–1871

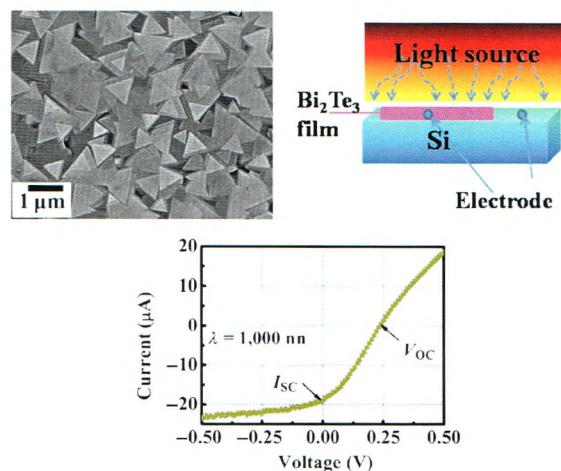
### Broadband photovoltaic effect of n-type topological insulator Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> films on p-type Si substrates

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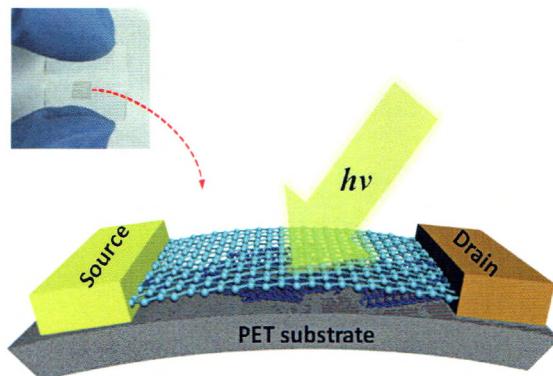
Synthesis of a thin film of topological insulator Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> and the schematic of the fabricated n-Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub>/p-Si photodetector device are demonstrated. The photovoltaic effect under light illumination is illustrated by measuring the  $I$ - $V$  characteristics.

## 1872–1879

## Graphene–carbon nanotube hybrid films for high-performance flexible photodetectors

Yujie Liu, Yuanda Liu, Shuchao Qin, Yongbing Xu, Rong Zhang, and Fengqiu Wang\*

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A flexible photodetector is based on graphene–carbon nanotube hybrid films with high photosensitivity in the visible range. The device remains stable under severe bending conditions and cyclic bending tests.

## 1880–1887

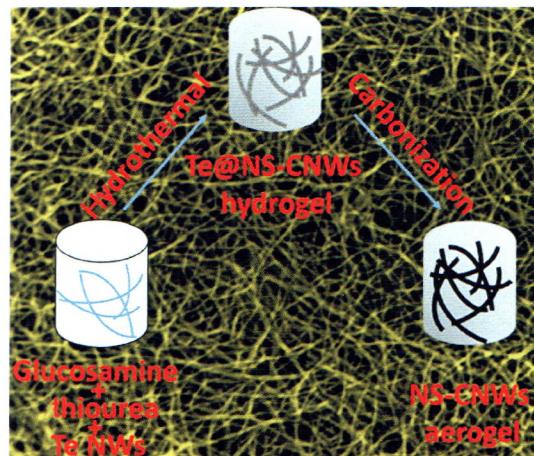
### Template-directed synthesis of nitrogen- and sulfur-codoped carbon nanowire aerogels with enhanced electrocatalytic performance for oxygen reduction

Shaofang Fu<sup>1</sup>, Chengzhou Zhu<sup>1</sup>, Junhua Song<sup>1</sup>, Mark H. Engelhard<sup>2</sup>, Xiaolin Li<sup>2</sup>, Peina Zhang<sup>3</sup>, Haibing Xia<sup>3</sup>, Dan Du<sup>1</sup>, and Yuehe Lin<sup>1,2,\*</sup>

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Te@N,S-codoped carbon nanowire (NS-CNW) hydrogels were synthesized via hydrothermal treatment and subsequent thermal annealing, and they showed enhanced catalytic performance for the oxygen reduction reaction.

## 1888–1895

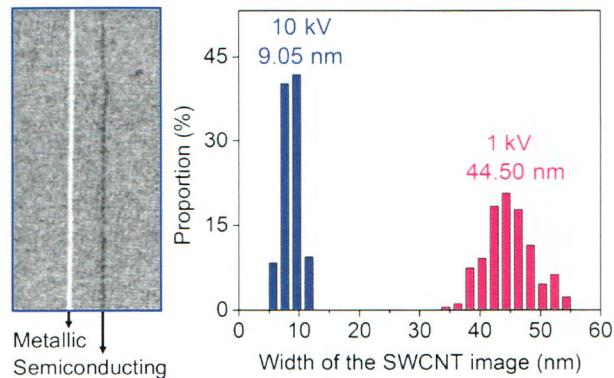
### Direct discrimination between semiconducting and metallic single-walled carbon nanotubes with high spatial resolution by SEM

Dongqi Li<sup>1</sup>, Yang Wei<sup>1,\*</sup>, Jin Zhang<sup>1</sup>, Jiangtao Wang<sup>1</sup>, Yinghong Lin<sup>3</sup>, Peng Liu<sup>1</sup>, Shoushan Fan<sup>1,2</sup>, and Kaili Jiang<sup>1,2,\*</sup>

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By modulating surface charge, scanning electron microscopy (SEM) can directly discriminate between semiconducting and metallic single-walled carbon nanotube (SWCNTs) based on their black and white colors with a spatial resolution of ~9 nm.

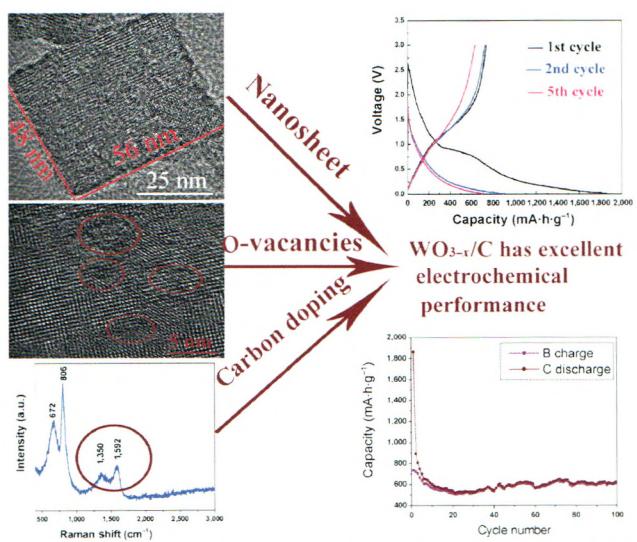
## 1896–1902

### Preparation and electrochemical characterization of ultrathin $\text{WO}_{3-x}/\text{C}$ nanosheets as anode materials in lithium ion batteries

Keyan Bao<sup>1,2</sup>, Wutao Mao<sup>1</sup>, Guangyin Liu<sup>1</sup>, Liqun Ye<sup>1</sup>, Haiquan Xie<sup>1</sup>, Shufang Ji<sup>2</sup>, Dingsheng Wang<sup>2</sup>, Chen Chen<sup>2,\*</sup>, and Yadong Li<sup>2</sup>

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With the merits of two-dimensional (2D) nanomaterials, O-vacancies, and carbon doping, the  $\text{WO}_{3-x}/\text{C}$  ultrathin 2D nanomaterial is expected to exhibit excellent electrochemical performance. Here, ultrathin  $\text{WO}_{3-x}/\text{C}$  nanosheets were prepared that showed good electrochemical performance, with an initial discharge capacity of 1,866 mA·h·g<sup>-1</sup> at a current density of 200 mA·g<sup>-1</sup>.

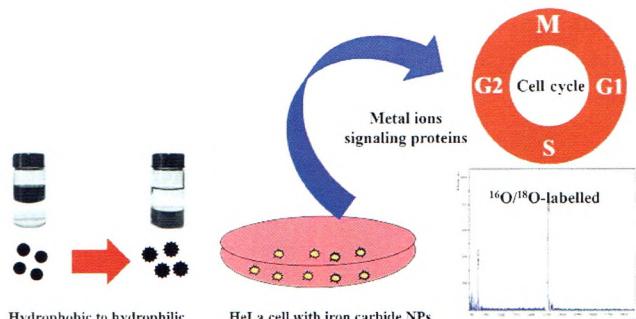
## 1903–1911

## Biocompatibility of iron carbide and detection of metals ions signaling proteomic analysis via HPLC/ESI-Orbitrap

Murtaza Hasan<sup>1</sup>, Wenlong Yang<sup>1</sup>, Yanmin Ju<sup>1</sup>, Xin Chu<sup>1</sup>, Yun Wang<sup>2</sup>, Yulin Deng<sup>2</sup>, Nasir Mahmood<sup>1</sup>, and Yanglong Hou<sup>1,\*</sup>

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A novel approach was designed to determine the biocompatibility of Fe<sub>2</sub>C nanoparticles (NPs) and detect metal ion signaling biomarker proteins via high performance liquid chromatography/electrospray ionization with ion trap mass analyzer (HPLC/ESI-Orbitrap) and <sup>18</sup>O labeling techniques.

## 1912–1923

### Atomic origin of the traps in memristive interface

Ye Tian<sup>1,2,5</sup>, Lida Pan<sup>3,4</sup>, Chuan Fei Guo<sup>6</sup>, and Qian Liu<sup>1,\*</sup>

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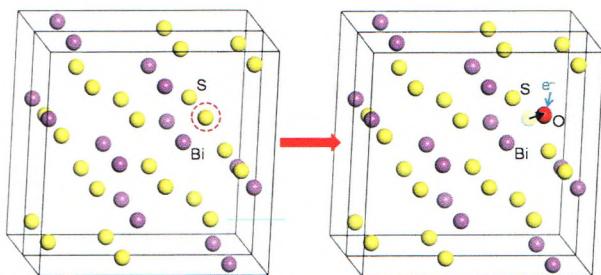
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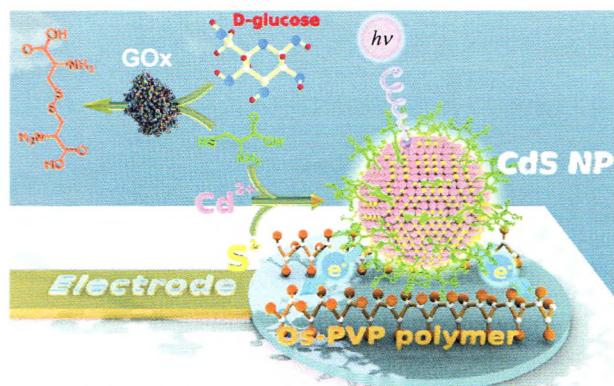
O-doping to Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub> is found to be the origin-inducing memristance at the interface between F-doped SnO<sub>2</sub> (FTO) and Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub> nano-networks (BSNN).

## 1924–1931

### Modulating the growth of cysteine-capped cadmium sulfide quantum dots with enzymatically produced hydrogen peroxide

Ruta Grinyte, Javier Barroso, Laura Saa, and Valeri Pavlov\*

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Enzymatically produced hydrogen peroxide oxidizes cysteine and modulates the growth of quantum dots. This system enables the quantification of glucose oxidase and glucose in human serum using fluorescence spectroscopy and photoelectrochemical analysis.

## 1932–1941

## Spontaneous twisting of a collapsed carbon nanotube

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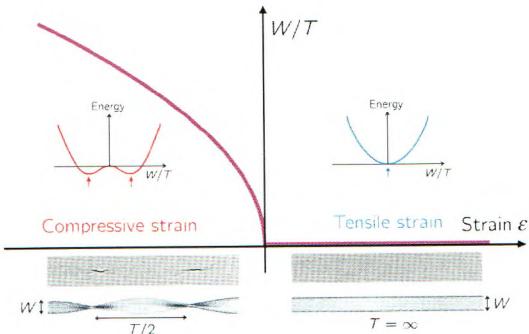
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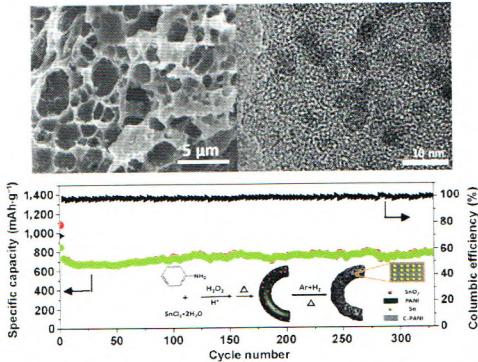
We study the collapse and subsequent spontaneous twisting of a carbon nanotube in vacuum by *in situ* transmission electron microscopy. Combined with a theoretical analysis, the results reveal that the twisting of a collapsed carbon nanotube is caused by compressive strain.

## 1942–1949

### Ultrafine Sn nanocrystals in a hierarchically porous N-doped carbon for lithium ion batteries

Xinghua Chang, Teng Wang, Zhiliang Liu, Xinyao Zheng, Jie Zheng\*, and Xinguo Li\*

Peking University, China



A simple method is developed to prepare ultrafine (~3 nm) Sn nanoparticles uniformly distributed in hierarchically porous carbon using low-cost starting materials. The nanocomposite shows high capacity and good rate capability in lithium-ion batteries because of its unique structure, which will promote the application of Sn based anode in lithium ion batteries.

## 1950–1958

### Tailoring RGD local surface density at the nanoscale toward adult stem cell chondrogenic commitment

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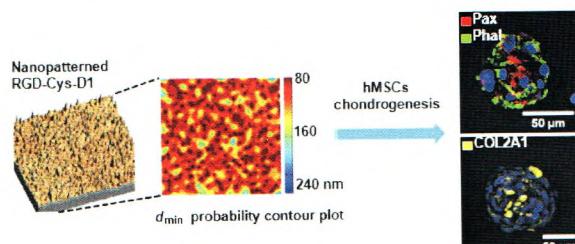
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Arginine-glycine-aspartic acid (RGD)-tailored dendrimers were used to create uneven distributions of RGD on poly(L-lactic acid) with tunable local ligand densities depending on the initial bulk concentration. The control of RGD local surface density at the nanoscale acts as a regulator of chondrogenic commitment: substrates presenting intermediate cell adhesiveness favor cell condensation and the early chondrogenic differentiation of adult mesenchymal stem cells.

## 1959–1971

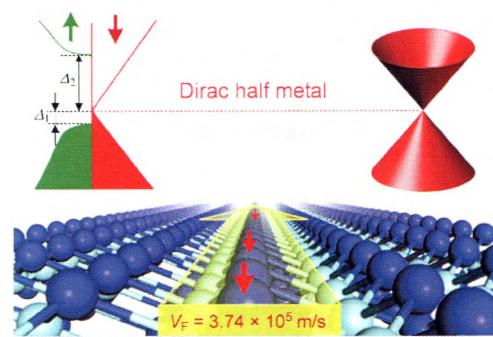
## YN<sub>2</sub> monolayer: Novel p-state Dirac half metal for high-speed spintronics

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Based on spin-polarized first-principles calculations, we propose a desirable p-state Dirac half metal, i.e., 1T-YN<sub>2</sub> monolayer, which has a large Fermi velocity, wide half-metallic gap, and high Curie temperature.

## 1972–1979

### Size and time dependent internalization of label-free nano-graphene oxide in human macrophages

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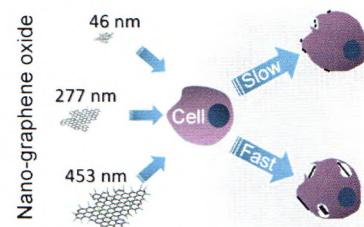
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Uptake of three different size distributions of label-free graphene oxide was carefully tracked in human monocyte cells (THP-1) using electron microscopy. The data show clear size dependence. Larger flakes (and clusters) are taken up by the cells more easily than smaller flakes. Moreover, uptake is shown to occur very rapidly, within two min of incubation. The data highlight a crucial need for cellular incubation studies with nanoparticles to be conducted with short incubation periods as certain dependencies (e.g., size and concentration) are lost with long incubation periods.

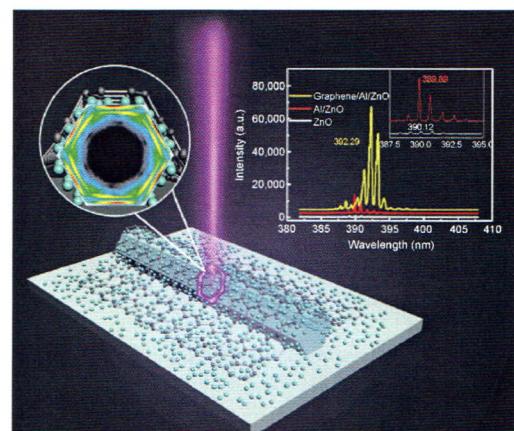
## 1980–1995

### Synergistic graphene/aluminum surface plasmon coupling for zinc oxide lasing improvement

Qiuxiang Zhu<sup>1,2</sup>, Feifei Qin<sup>1</sup>, Junfeng Lu<sup>1</sup>, Zhu Zhu<sup>1</sup>, Haiyan Nan<sup>1</sup>, Zengliang Shi<sup>1</sup>, Zhenhua Ni<sup>1</sup>, and Chunxiang Xu<sup>1,\*</sup>

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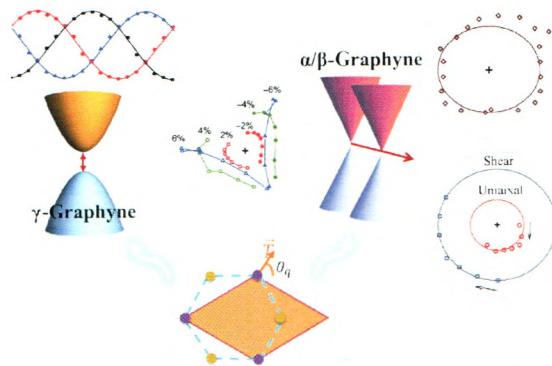
We synthesized a graphene/Al/ZnO hybrid whispering-gallery mode (WGM) cavity successfully and greatly improved the optical properties of the microcavity by synergistically coupling the graphene/Al surface plasmons with ZnO excitons.

## 1996–2004

### Movement of Dirac points and band gaps in graphyne under rotating strain

Zhenzhu Li, Zhongfan Liu, and Zhirong Liu\*

Peking University, China



Graphene, where linear effects dominate, is different from  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -, and  $\gamma$ -graphynes. They exhibit strong nonlinear electronic responses under exerted strains, which are well described by a proposed unified theory.

2005–2020

### Transparent, stretchable, and rapid-response humidity sensor for body-attachable wearable electronics

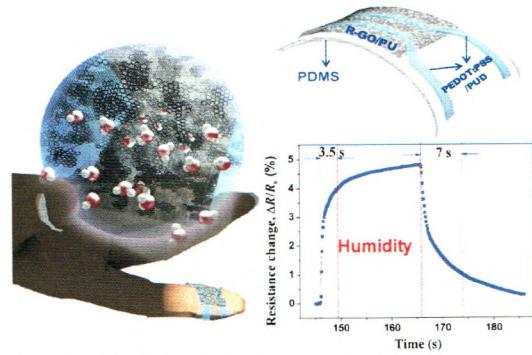
Tran Quang Trung<sup>1</sup>, Le Thai Duy<sup>1</sup>, Subramanian Ramasundaram<sup>2</sup>, and Nae-Eung Lee<sup>1,3,4,\*</sup>

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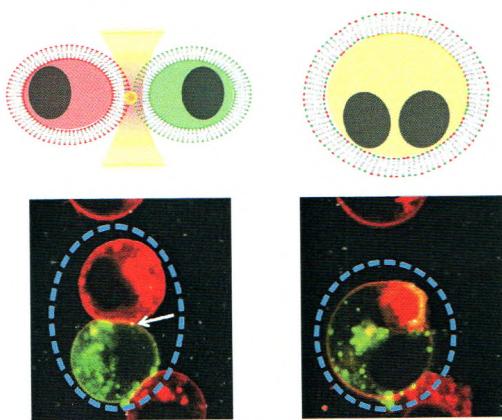
A transparent, stretchable humidity sensor with fast response (3.5 s) and relaxation time (7 s), high stability, and high stretchability of up to 60% has been demonstrated. The humidity sensor can be conformally attached to the human body for the continuous monitoring of the humidity or moisture levels of the human skin and the environment under various conditions. This device has immense potential for applications in wearable skin electronics and personal healthcare.

2021–2033

### Hot-nanoparticle-mediated fusion of selected cells

Azra Bahadori, Lene B. Oddershede\*, and Poul M. Bendix\*

University of Copenhagen, Denmark



Formation of a viable syncytium by plasmonic heating was studied here. Optical trapping was used to select two differently labeled cells which were identified by confocal microscopy and subsequently fused by trapping a gold nanoparticle at the contact zone between the cells. The white arrow marks the location of the gold nanoparticle.

2034–2045

## High-resolution characterization of hexagonal boron nitride coatings exposed to aqueous and air oxidative environments

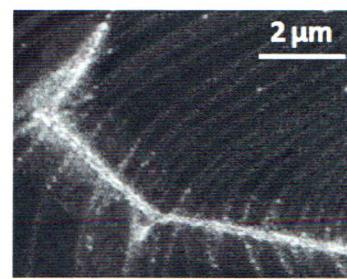
Lanlan Jiang<sup>1</sup>, Na Xiao<sup>1</sup>, Bingru Wang<sup>1</sup>, Enric Grustan-Gutierrez<sup>1</sup>, Xu Jing<sup>1</sup>, Petr Babor<sup>2</sup>, Miroslav Kolíbal<sup>2</sup>, Guangyuan Lu<sup>3</sup>, Tianru Wu<sup>3</sup>, Haomin Wang<sup>2</sup>, Fei Hui<sup>1</sup>, Yuanyuan Shi<sup>1</sup>, Bo Song<sup>1</sup>, Xiaoming Xie<sup>3,4</sup>, and Mario Lanza<sup>1,\*</sup>

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This work provides new insights into the passivating properties of mono and multilayer hexagonal boron nitride (h-BN) in both air and aqueous atmospheres. High resolution techniques reveal the occurrence of novel interactions between h-BN-protected metals and oxygen from the environment.

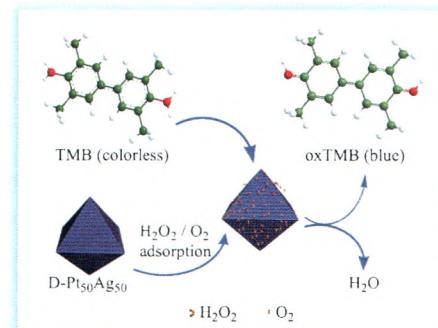
## 2046–2055

### Porous Pt/Ag nanoparticles with excellent multifunctional enzyme mimic activities and antibacterial effects

Shuangfei Cai<sup>1</sup>, Xinghang Jia<sup>1</sup>, Qiusen Han<sup>1</sup>, Xiyun Yan<sup>2</sup>, Rong Yang<sup>1,\*</sup>, and Chen Wang<sup>1,\*</sup>

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A series of porous Pt/Ag nanoparticles (NPs) were fabricated from monodisperse and homogenous  $\text{Pt}_x\text{Ag}_{100-x}$  ( $x = 25, 50, 75$ ) octahedra by a facile dealloying process. The dealloyed  $\text{Pt}_{50}\text{Ag}_{50}$  NPs with Pt-rich surface structure and increased surface area showed remarkable enhancement in multiple enzyme mimic activities as well as excellent antibacterial effects on two model bacteria (*Escherichia coli* and *Staphylococcus aureus*).

## 2056–2069

### Silica shell-assisted synthetic route for mono-disperse persistent nanophosphors with enhanced *in vivo* recharged near-infrared persistent luminescence

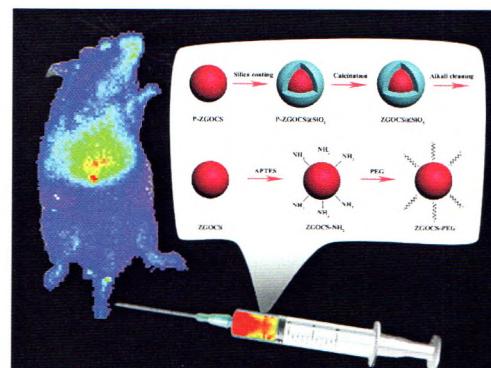
Rui Zou<sup>1</sup>, Junjian Huang<sup>1</sup>, Junpeng Shi<sup>2</sup>, Lin Huang<sup>1</sup>, Xuejie Zhang<sup>1</sup>, Ka-Leung Wong<sup>3,\*</sup>, Hongwu Zhang<sup>2,\*</sup>, Dayong Jin<sup>4,\*</sup>, Jing Wang<sup>1,\*</sup>, and Qiang Su<sup>1</sup>

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Highly dispersive  $\text{ZnGa}_2\text{O}_4:\text{Cr}^{3+}, \text{Sn}^{4+}$  (ZGOCS) nanoparticles with impressive near-infrared persistent luminescence are successfully obtained using a new three-step synthesis method. The remarkable persistent-luminescence performance demonstrates that the ZGOCS nanoparticles are suitable for long-term *in vivo* imaging applications.

## 2070–2082

### Ordered SnO nanoparticles in MWCNT as a functional host material for high-rate lithium-sulfur battery cathode

A-Young Kim<sup>1,2</sup>, Min Kyu Kim<sup>1</sup>, Ji Young Kim<sup>1</sup>, Yuren Wen<sup>3</sup>, Lin Gu<sup>3</sup>, Van-Duong Dao<sup>4</sup>, Ho-Suk Choi<sup>4</sup>, Dongjin Byun<sup>2</sup>, and Joong Kee Lee<sup>1,\*</sup>

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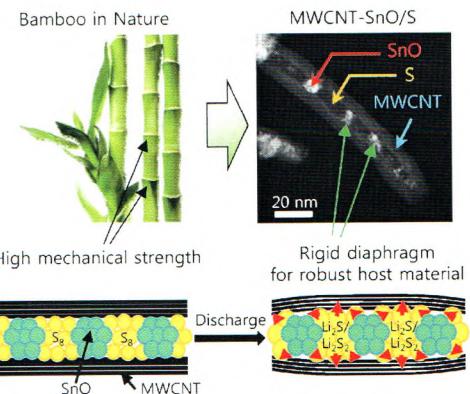
<sup>4</sup> Chungnam National University, Republic of Korea

2083–2095

### Mesoporous nickel–iron binary oxide nanorods for efficient electrocatalytic water oxidation

Guang Liu, Xusheng Gao, Kaifang Wang, Dongying He,  
and Jinping Li\*

Taiyuan University of Technology, China



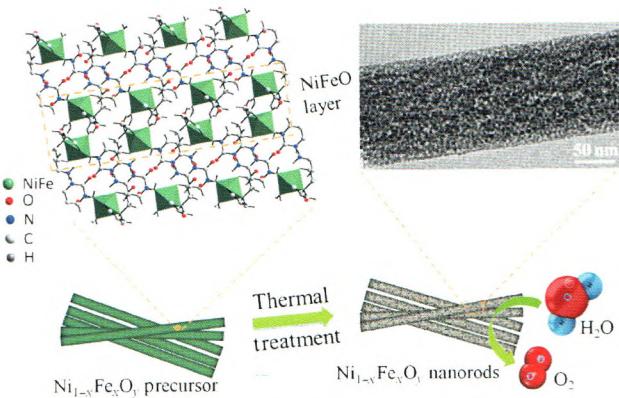
A novel hybrid electrode nanomaterial with a designed functional structure consisting of ordered SnO nanoparticles, multiwalled carbon nanotubes, and sulfur exhibits effective trapping of polysulfide and a good rate capability.

2096–2105

### Fabrication of high-pore volume carbon nanosheets with uniform arrangement of mesopores

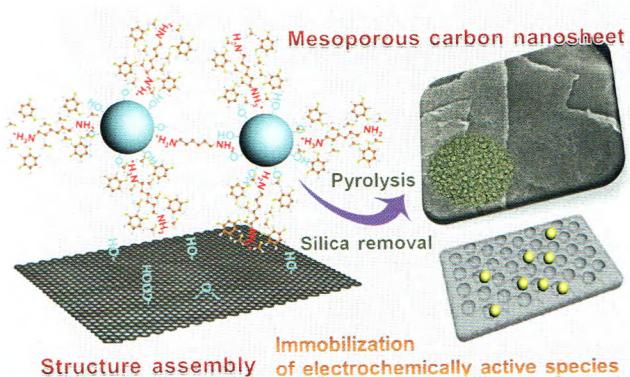
Shuai Wang, Fei Cheng, Peng Zhang, Wen-Cui Li, and  
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Mesoporous Ni–Fe binary-oxide nanorods with tailored Fe-doping contents and highly efficient water-oxidation activity were realized in an alkaline medium.

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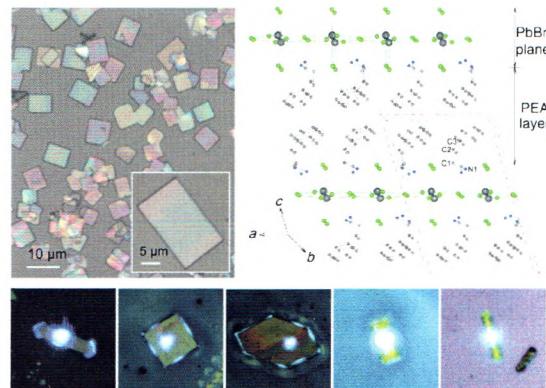
Mesoporous carbon nanosheets with embedded graphene and numerous uniformly distributed spherical mesopores ( $3.5 \text{ cm}^3 \cdot \text{g}^{-1}$ ) are synthesized for electrochemical energy storage.

## Single-crystal microplates of two-dimensional organic-inorganic lead halide layered perovskites for optoelectronics

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We report the facile solution growth of single-crystal microplates of layered perovskites  $(C_6H_5CH_2CH_2NH_3)_2PbX_4$  ( $X = Br, I$ ) with a well-defined rectangular geometry and nanoscale thickness through a solution-phase transport-growth process and study the growth mechanism. Through halide alloying, the photoluminescence emission with a narrow peak bandwidth is readily tuned from violet to green.

2117–2129

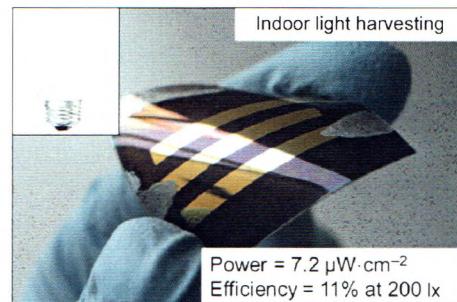
## Efficient light harvesting from flexible perovskite solar cells under indoor white light-emitting diode illumination

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Flexible perovskite solar cells with polyethylene terephthalate (PET)/indium-doped tin oxide (ITO)/atomic layer deposition (ALD)-TiO<sub>2</sub>/mesoporous TiO<sub>2</sub> (meso-TiO<sub>2</sub>)/CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbI<sub>3-x</sub>Cl<sub>x</sub>/2,2',7,7'-tetrakis-(N,N-di-p-methoxyphenyl amine)9,9'-spirobifluorene (spiro-MeOTAD)/Au architecture, deliver outstanding performance indoors.

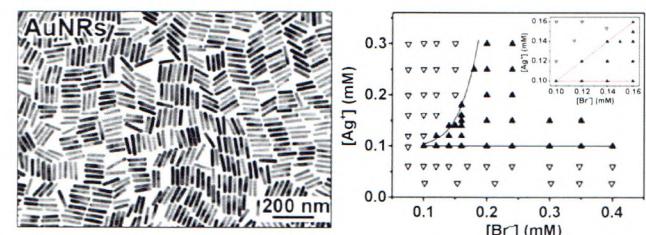
2130–2145

## Cooperative interactions among CTA<sup>+</sup>, Br<sup>-</sup> and Ag<sup>+</sup> during seeded growth of gold nanorods

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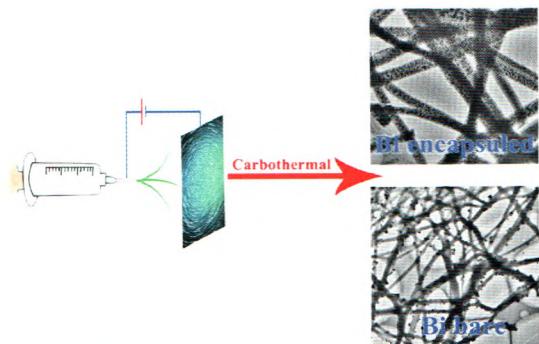
A synergistic interaction among cetyltrimethyl ammonium cation (CTA<sup>+</sup>), Br<sup>-</sup> and Ag<sup>+</sup> (in the form of CTA-Br-Ag<sup>+</sup> complex) in directing the anisotropic growth of Au NRs has been proposed and confirmed.

2146–2155

Nanosized-bismuth-embedded 1D carbon nanofibers as high-performance anodes for lithium-ion and sodium-ion batteries

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One-dimensional (1D) carbon nanofibers embedded with 20-nm Bi nanoparticles are prepared via a single-nozzle electrospinning method with a specified Bi source followed by carbothermal reduction. The Bi/C nanofibers exhibit superior electrochemistry performance as anode materials for Li- and Na-ion batteries.

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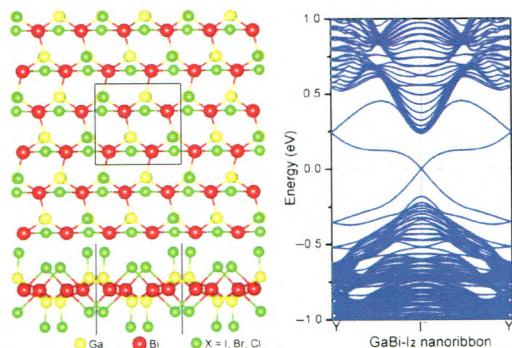
Gallium bismuth halide  $\text{GaBi-X}_2$  ( $X = \text{I}, \text{Br}, \text{Cl}$ ) monolayers with distorted hexagonal framework: Novel room-temperature quantum spin Hall insulators

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Rectangular  $\text{GaBi-X}_2$  ( $X = \text{I}, \text{Br}, \text{Cl}$ ) monolayers with a distorted hexagonal framework (DHF) and gapless Dirac edge states of the DHF  $\text{GaBi-I}_2$  nanoribbon are fabricated.

2168–2180

Switchable  $\text{CO}_2$  electroreduction via engineering active phases of Pd nanoparticles

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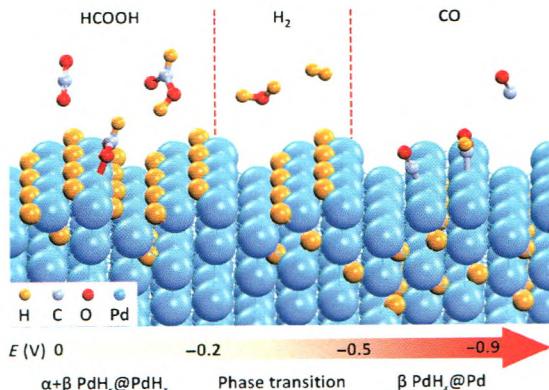
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Active-phase transformation of Pd nanoparticles causes drastic selectivity fluctuations of  $\text{CO}_2$  electroreduction across the entire potential range.

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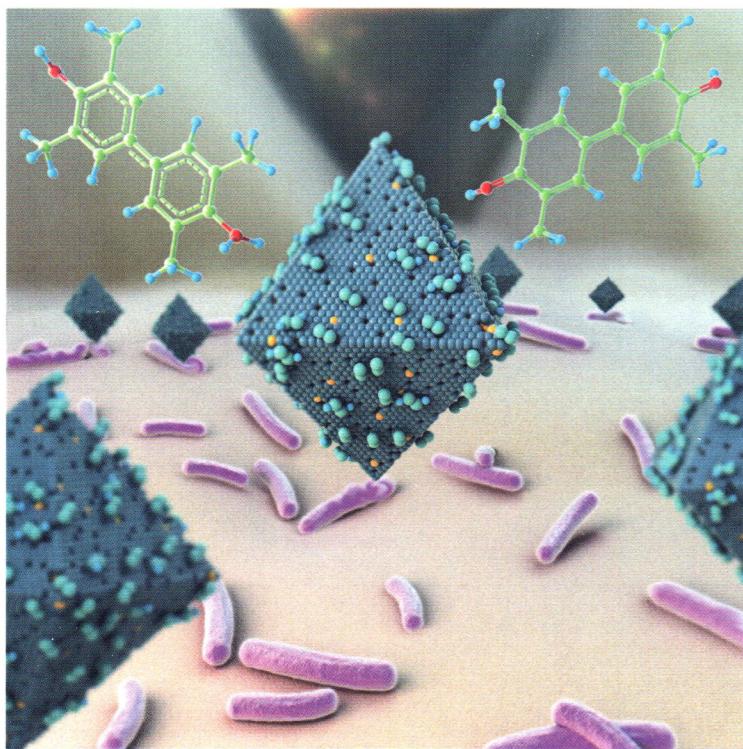
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