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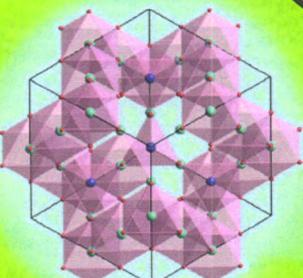
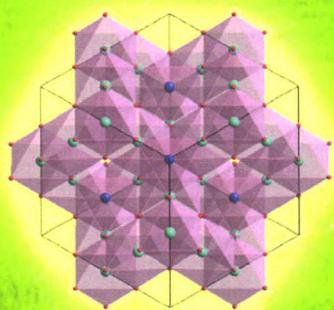
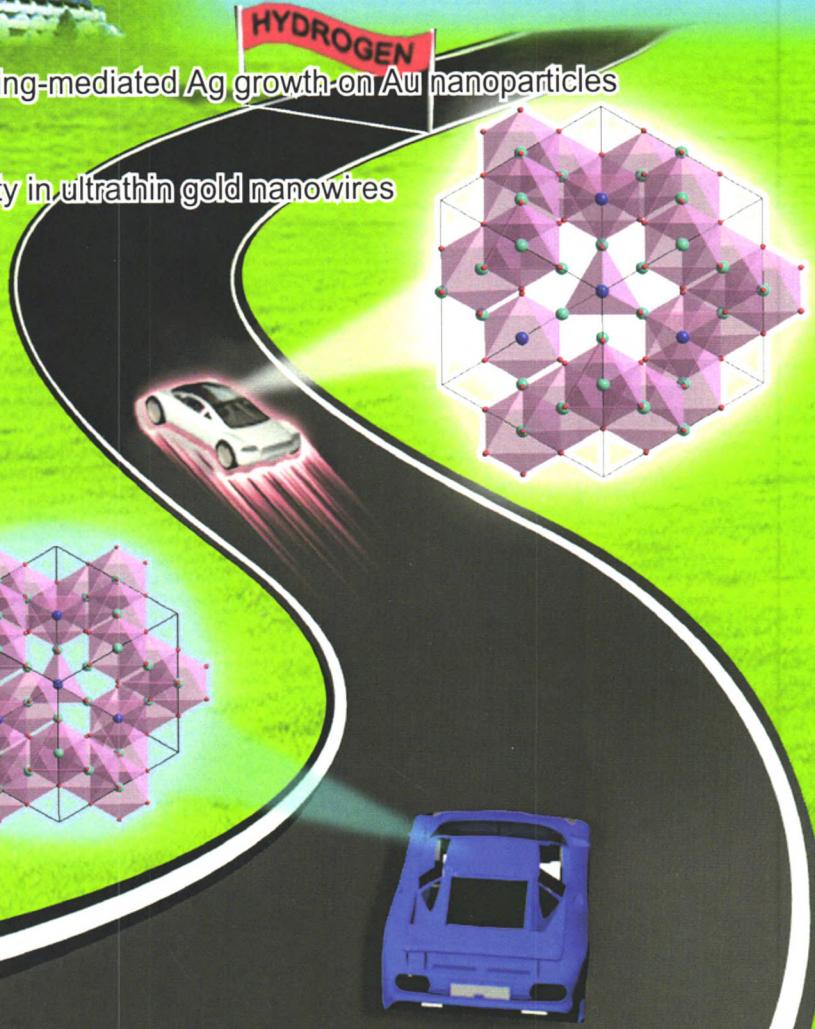
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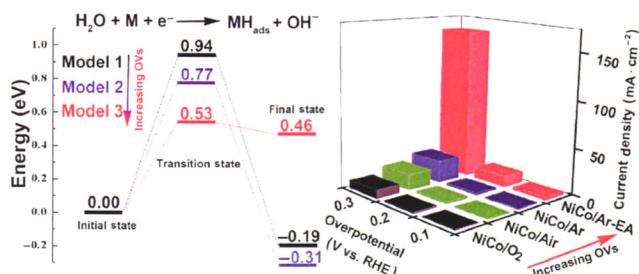
Hydrogen evolution activity enhancement by tuning the oxygen vacancies in self-supported mesoporous spinel oxide nanowire arrays

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This work opens a new avenue for the controlled generation of oxygen vacancies in mesoporous traditional metal oxides for efficient self-supported water reduction electrocatalysis.

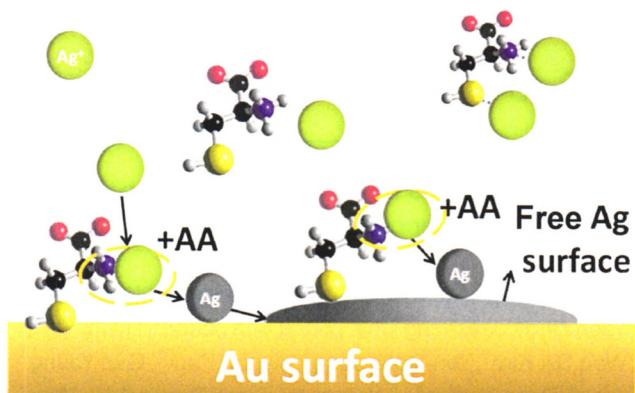
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Unique role of non-mercaptopo groups in thiol-pinning-mediated Ag growth on Au nanoparticles

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Exposed $-\text{NH}_2(\text{NH}_3^+)$ groups from adsorbed cysteine can bind Ag^+ and subsequently accelerate Ag overgrowth on the Au surface.

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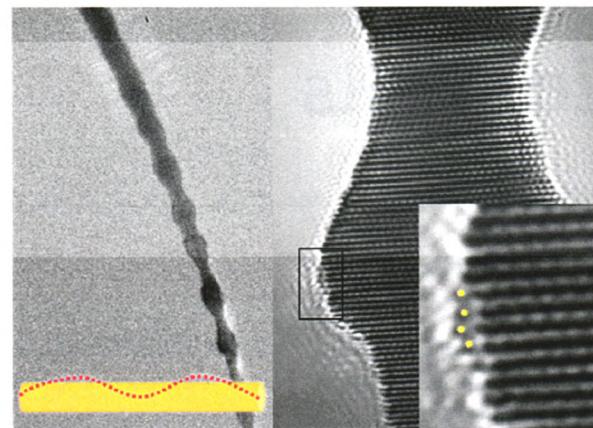
In situ atomic-scale analysis of Rayleigh instability in ultrathin gold nanowires

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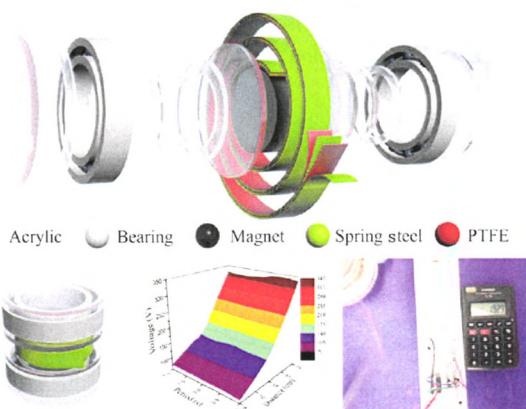
Rayleigh instability was observed in ultrathin gold nanowires upon moderate heating, which offers critical insights towards their reliable applications in nanoelectronics.

625–632

Triboelectric nanogenerator based on magnetically induced retractable spring steel tapes for efficient energy harvesting of large amplitude motion

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A magnetically induced retractable triboelectric nanogenerator that utilizes a magnet and spring steel tapes to efficiently harvest energy from large amplitude motion has been designed and fabricated.

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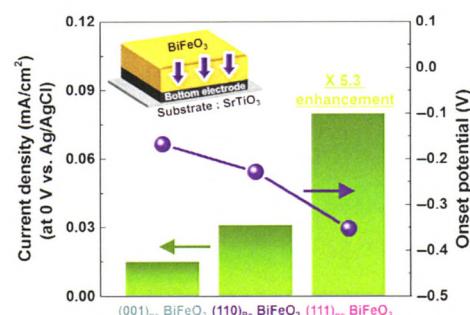
Domain-engineered BiFeO₃ thin-film photoanodes for highly enhanced ferroelectric solar water splitting

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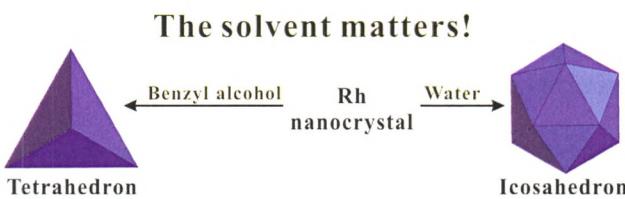
The photocatalytic properties of an epitaxial (111)_{pc} BiFeO₃ thin-film photoanode in the downward polarization state are greatly enhanced in comparison with those of (001)_{pc} and (110)_{pc} BiFeO₃ thin-film photoanodes. The significant improvement of the photocatalytic properties is provided by the enhanced ferroelectric domain switching of the mono-varient domain structure as well as the enhanced internal field afforded by higher spontaneous polarization.

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Solvent-dependent evolution of cyclic penta-twinned rhodium icosahedral nanocrystals and their enhanced catalytic properties

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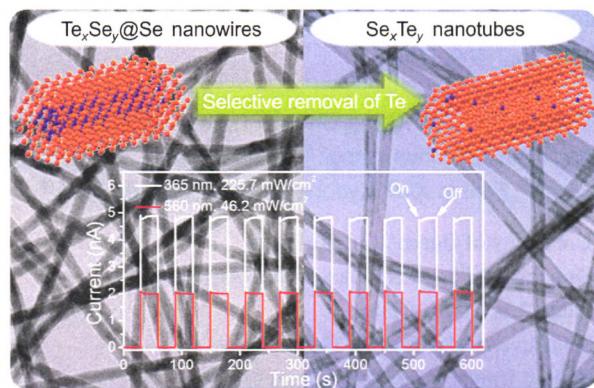
A transformation between cyclic penta-twinned and single-crystal Rh nanocrystals can be readily realized by changing the solvent. Cyclic penta-twinned Rh icosahedral nanocrystals show superior catalytic activity and stability during the electrooxidation of ethanol when compared to single-crystal tetrahedral Rh nanocrystals and commercial Rh black.

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Selective oxidation mediated synthesis of unique Se_xTe_y nanotubes, their assembled thin films and photoconductivity

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A selective-oxidation approach was developed for synthesizing Se_xTe_y nanotubes with controlled inner and outer diameters from Te_xSe_y @Se core–shell nanowires. The nanotubes exhibited good photoconductivity over the whole ultraviolet–visible spectrum.

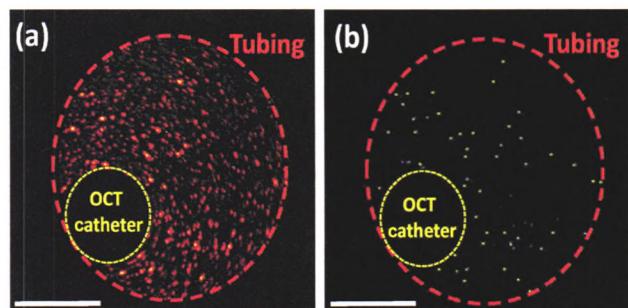
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Gold nanoshells: Contrast agents for cell imaging by cardiovascular optical coherence tomography

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Optical coherence tomography was used to visualize individual cells for the first time and to discriminate between cells that internalized gold nanoparticles and those that did not, suggesting potential applications for the early diagnosis of atherosclerotic lesions.

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Asymmetric growth of Au-core/Ag-shell nanorods with a strong octupolar plasmon resonance and an efficient second-harmonic generation

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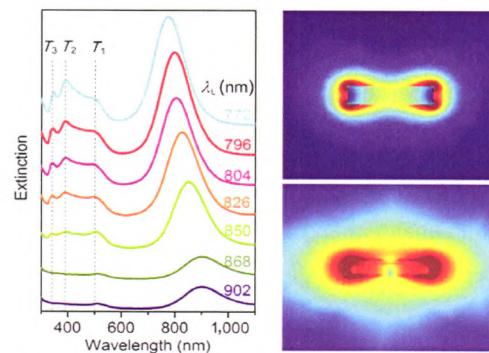
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A strong octupolar plasmon resonance and an efficient second-harmonic generation (SHG) are obtained for the first time by an asymmetric overgrowth of silver shells on gold nanorods. The SHG intensity of the Au–Ag nanorods with dual-frequency resonances is enhanced by 21 times compared to that of bare Au nanorods with only a longitudinal plasmon resonance.

Atomic disorders in layer structured topological insulator SnBi₂Te₄ nanoplates

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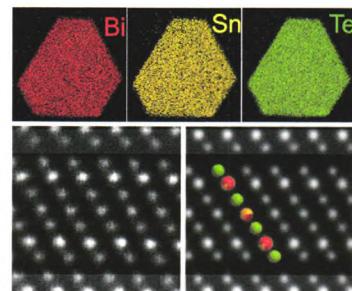
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Aberration-corrected scanning transmission electron microscopy investigations, quantitative image simulations, and density functional theory calculations for chemical vapor deposition grown SnBi₂Te₄ nanoplates show a recognizable amount of cation antisites, characterized by a low formation energy, and cause a reduced bandgap. Angle-dependent magnetoresistance measurements from nanoplate devices reveal a two-dimensional weak antilocalization effect associated with topological surface carriers, indicating that SnBi₂Te₄ nanostructures are promising candidates for spintronic and electronic applications.

Three-layer phosphorene-metal interfaces

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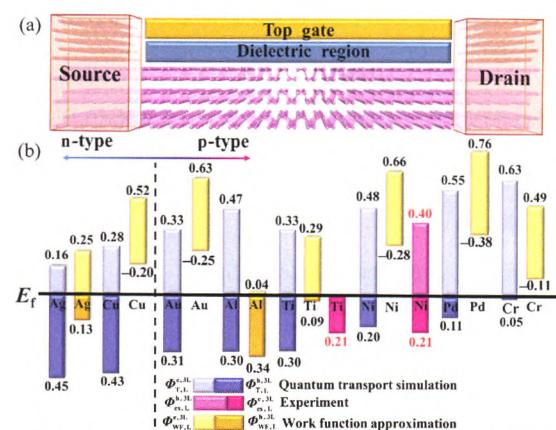
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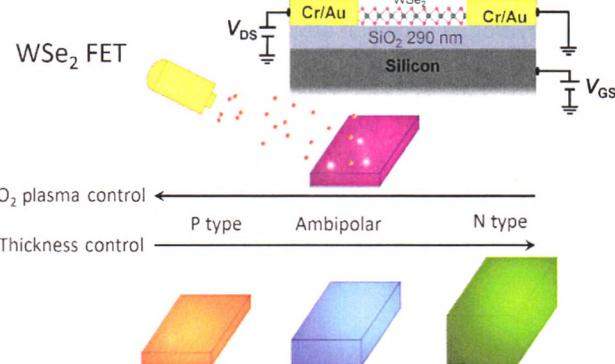
Schottky barriers in the three-layer phosphorene-metal interfaces are determined by *ab initio* quantum transport simulations, and the results agree with the experiments.

High-performance multilayer WSe₂ field-effect transistors with carrier type control

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High-performance few-layer WSe₂ field-effect transistor devices with carrier type control are demonstrated via thickness modulation and a remote oxygen plasma surface treatment.

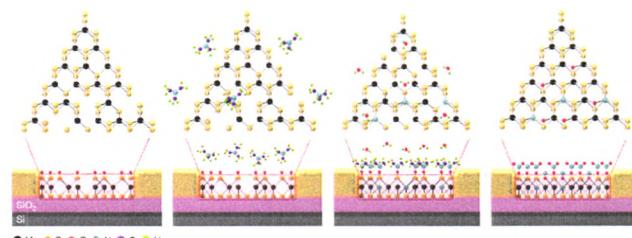
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Enhanced electrical and optical properties of single-layered MoS₂ by incorporation of aluminum

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We demonstrate the effect of Al incorporation through atomically deposited Al₂O₃ films on synthesized MoS₂ obtained using chemical vapor deposition (CVD), which significantly contributed to the enhanced performance of MoS₂ field-effect transistor (FET) devices.

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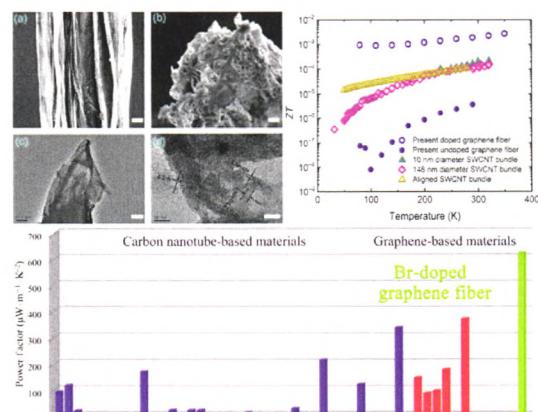
Chemically doped macroscopic graphene fibers with significantly enhanced thermoelectric properties

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In this study, bromine doping is reported to be an effective method to significantly enhance the thermoelectric properties of macroscopic graphene fibers. The maximum ZT is 2.76×10^{-3} , which is approximately four orders of magnitude larger than that of the undoped fibers; the room temperature power factor is shown to increase up to $624 \mu\text{W}\cdot\text{m}^{-1}\cdot\text{K}^{-2}$, which is higher than any other material solely composed of carbon nanotubes and graphene reported in the literature.

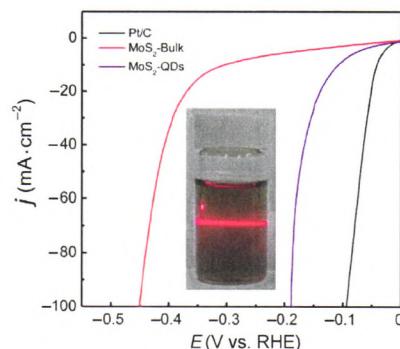
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Defective molybdenum sulfide quantum dots as highly active hydrogen evolution electrocatalysts

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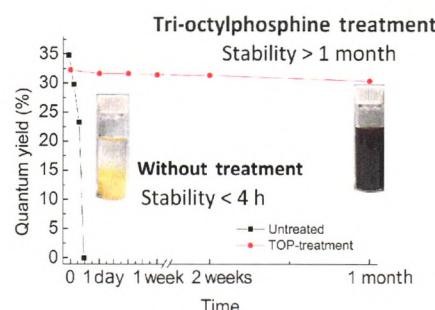
Defective molybdenum sulfide quantum dots synthesized by a facile and general ultrafast laser ablation method show highly enhanced activity and stability in the electrocatalytic hydrogen evolution reaction, owing to their very large surface area, defective structure, abundance of active sites, and high conductivity.

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Enhanced stabilization of inorganic cesium lead triiodide (CsPbI_3) perovskite quantum dots with tri-octylphosphine

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Through the addition of tri-octylphosphine as part of the post-synthesis treatment, we significantly enhance the stability of CsPbI_3 quantum dots, from hours to months. This method helps to resolve the intrinsic instability issue of triiodide perovskite materials and devices.

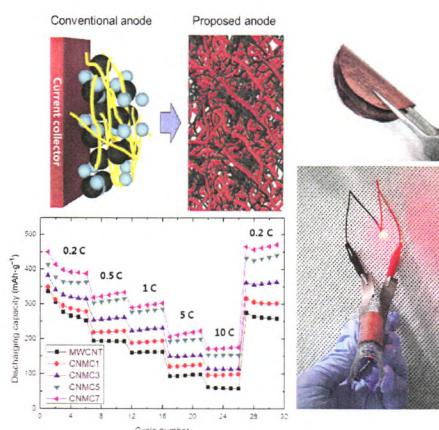
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Copper nanowire/multi-walled carbon nanotube composites as all-nanowire flexible electrode for fast-charging/discharging lithium-ion battery

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A novel lightweight three-dimensional composite anode was fabricated using entirely one-dimensional nanomaterials, i.e., Cu nanowires (CuNWs) and multi-walled carbon nanotubes (MWCNTs). Half-cell and full-cell Li-ion batteries (LIBs) employing this composite anode exhibited high specific capacities and Coulombic efficiencies even at a high current density. More importantly, for the first time we overcame the limitations of MWCNTs as anode materials for fast-charging/discharging half-cell and full-cell LIBs by employing CuNWs, and the resulting anode can be applied to flexible LIBs.

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Construction of Pd-M (M = Ni, Ag, Cu) alloy surfaces for catalytic applications

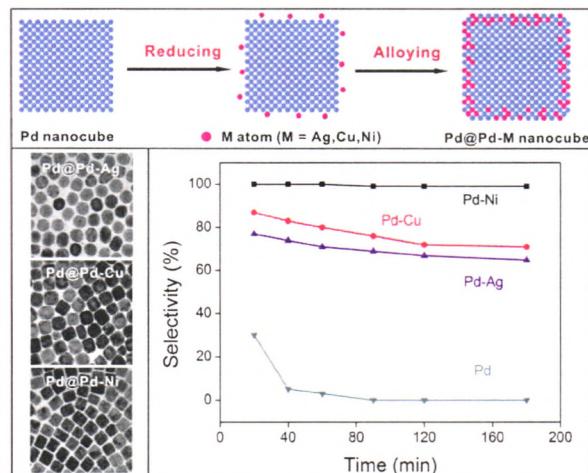
Xiang Li¹, Xixi Wang¹, Maochang Liu¹, Hongyang Liu², Qiang Chen^{1,3,*}, Yadong Yin⁴, and Mingshang Jin^{1,*}

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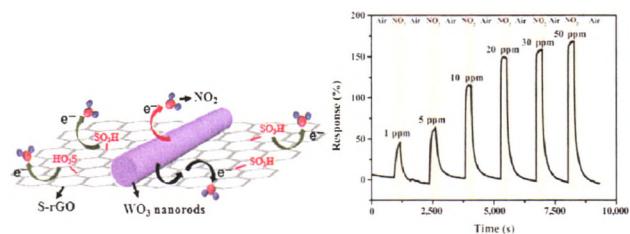
Through the approach described in this work, second-metal elements can be alloyed into the surface of Pd nanocrystals directly to modify the catalytic performances of Pd nanocrystals.

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Highly sensitive and rapidly responding room-temperature NO₂ gas sensors based on WO₃ nanorods/sulfonated graphene nanocomposites

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Harbin Institute of Technology, China



In this study, a highly sensitive and rapidly responding room-temperature NO₂ gas sensor based on WO₃ nanorods/sulfonated reduced graphene oxide (S-rGO) was developed using a simple and cost-effective hydrothermal method.

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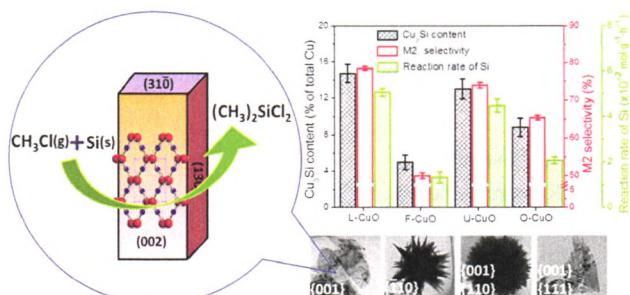
Morphology-dependent catalytic properties of nano-cupric oxides in the Rochow reaction

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Leaf-like CuO that mainly exposes the {001} crystal plane showed superior catalytic properties for dimethyldichlorosilane synthesis via the Rochow reaction owing to the maximum formation of the Cu₃Si alloy phase generated in the reacted region of the Si surface.

804–819

Facile preparation of pristine graphene using urea/glycerol as efficient stripping agents

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Self-templating thermolysis synthesis of Cu_{2-x}S@M (M = C, TiO₂, MoS₂) hollow spheres and their application in rechargeable lithium batteries

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Two-photon lithography for 3D magnetic nanostructure fabrication

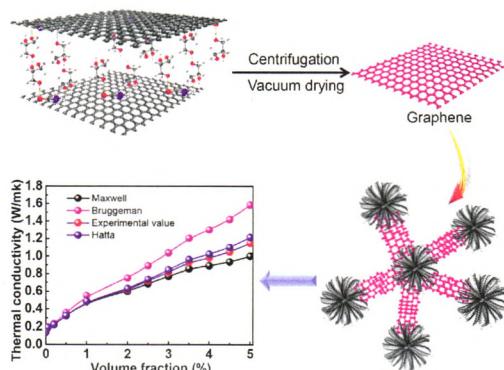
Gwilym Williams¹, Matthew Hunt¹, Benedikt Boehm², Andrew May¹, Michael Taverne³, Daniel Ho³, Sean Giblin¹, Dan Read¹, John Rarity³, Rolf Allenspach², and Sam Ladak^{1,*}

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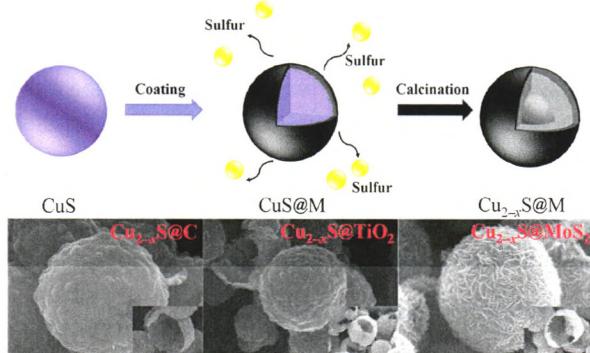
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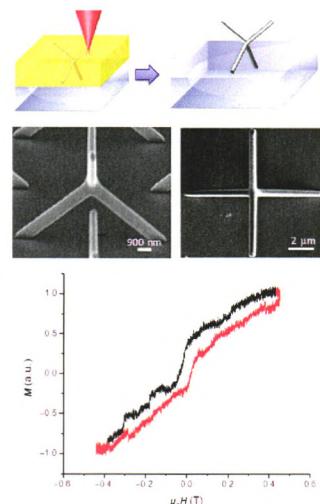
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Natural graphite is exfoliated to produce large-size and few-layer graphene sheets in urea/glycerol solution via a simple mechanical stirring method. The incorporation of only a small amount of the as-prepared graphene films into polyvinylidene fluoride leads to a high increase in thermal conductivity.



A self-templating thermolysis strategy is employed to prepare different Cu_{2-x}S@M (M = C, TiO₂, MoS₂) hollow structures. All composites are assembled as electrodes and tested in lithium batteries, showing excellent electrochemical performances.



A combination of two-photon lithography and electrochemical deposition is utilized to fabricate three-dimensional magnetic nanostructures. Magnetometry and magnetic imaging show evidence of domain wall pinning at the three-dimensional (3D) nanostructured junction.

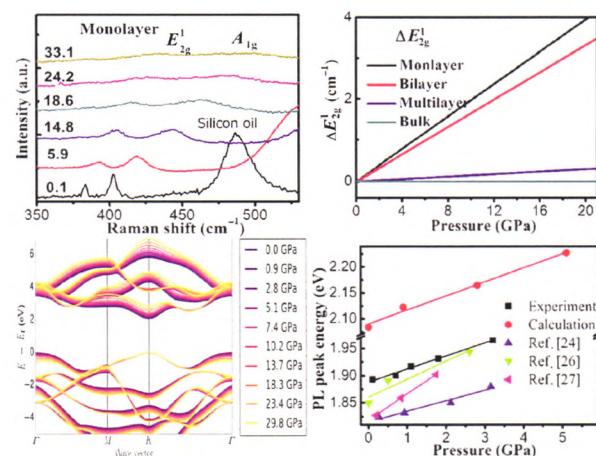
Thickness-dependent phase transition and optical behavior of MoS₂ films under high pressure

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The structure and optical properties of layered MoS₂ can be effectively modified by pressure. The Raman and photoluminescence spectra of MoS₂ with different thicknesses show distinct pressure dependencies.

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Atomic and electronic structure of Si dangling bonds in quasi-free-standing monolayer graphene

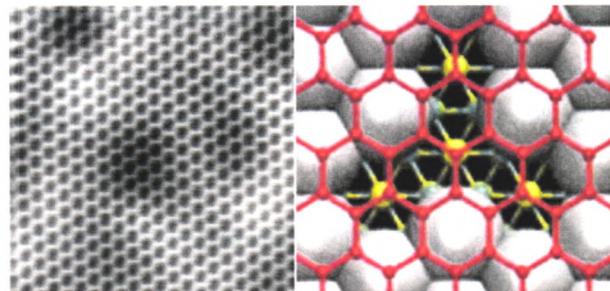
Yuya Murata¹, Tommaso Cavallucci¹, Valentina Tozzini¹, Niko Pavlek², Leo Gross², Gerhard Meyer², Makoto Takamura³, Hiroki Hibino^{3,†}, Fabio Beltram¹, and Stefan Heun^{1,*}

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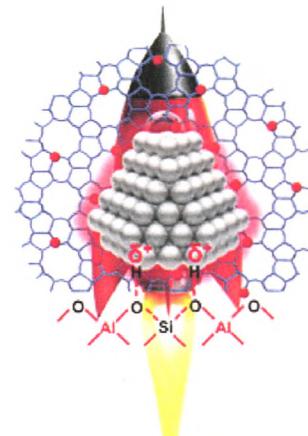
The structural and electronic properties of defects in quasi-free-standing monolayer graphene (QFMLG) were studied by low-temperature scanning tunneling microscopy/spectroscopy and atomic force microscopy. The comparison of the experimental results with density functional theory calculations indicates that the defects consist of clusters of Si dangling bonds. The results of the present work provide the basis for a rational design of high-mobility QFMLG.

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Mesoporous H-ZSM-5 nanocrystals with programmable number of acid sites as “solid ligands” to activate Pd nanoparticles for C–C coupling reactions

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Mesoporous H-ZSM-5 nanocrystals with a significant number of acid sites can function as “solid ligands” to activate the embedded Pd nanoparticles for C–C coupling reactions.

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High-mobility air-stable n-type field-effect transistors based on large-area solution-processed organic single-crystal arrays

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Electrosprayed porous Fe_3O_4 /carbon microspheres as anode materials for high-performance lithium-ion batteries

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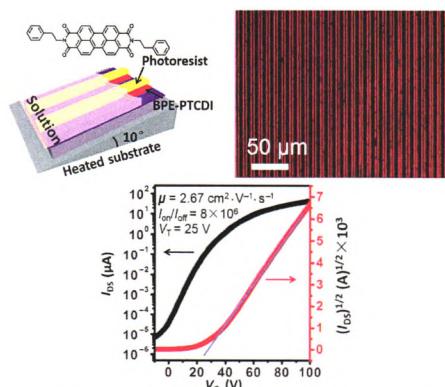
50 ppm of Pd dispersed on $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$ nanosheets catalyzing semi-hydrogenation of acetylene with high activity and selectivity

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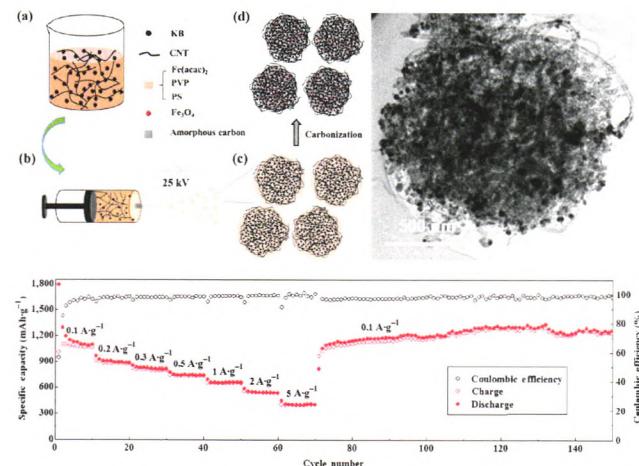
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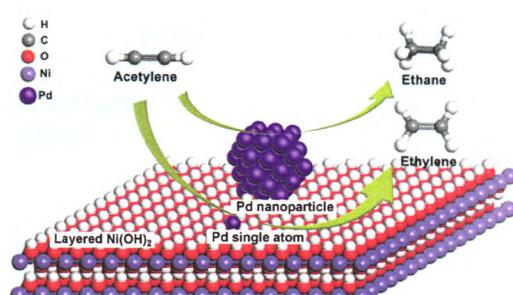
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A simple and efficient solution-processed approach is provided for achieving the growth of large-area highly aligned n-type single-crystalline organic submicron ribbon arrays. N-channel organic field-effect transistors (n-OFETs) fabricated based on the submicron ribbon arrays exhibit a high electron mobility of $2.67 \text{ cm}^2 \cdot \text{V}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ as well as robust air stability for over 50 days.



Porous Fe_3O_4 /carbon microspheres (PFCMs) are successfully fabricated via a facile electrospray method and subsequent heat treatment. As anode materials for Li-ion batteries, PFCMs deliver a high capacity, long cycling life, and outstanding rate performance due to the hybrid, porous, and conductive structure.



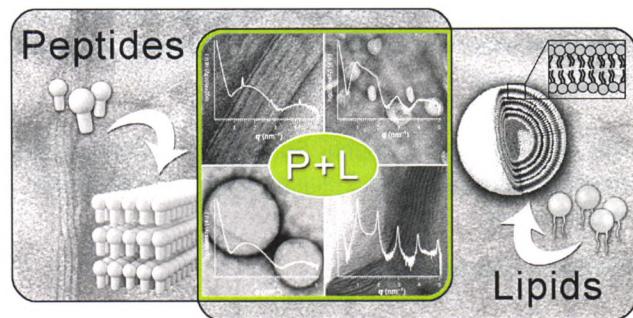
A Pd/ $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$ catalyst with an ultra-low (0.005%) Pd loading was found to exhibit superior catalytic properties to the corresponding higher Pd-loaded nanoparticle catalyst in the selective hydrogenation of acetylene to ethylene, due to the atomically dispersed nature of the Pd sites in the 0.005% Pd/ $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$ catalyst and the supporting effect of the abundant hydroxyl groups of $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$.

Peptide self-assembly into lamellar phases and the formation of lipid-peptide nanostructures

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Systematically varied amphiphilic designer peptides can mimic lipid lamellar phases and self-assemble into a variety of nanostructures (tubes, vesicles, bicelles) when mixed with lipids.

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Acid-degradable gadolinium-based nanoscale coordination polymer: A potential platform for targeted drug delivery and potential magnetic resonance imaging

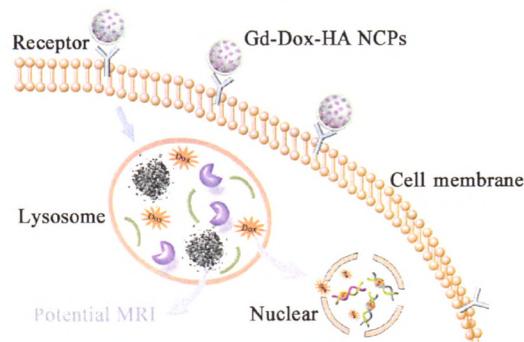
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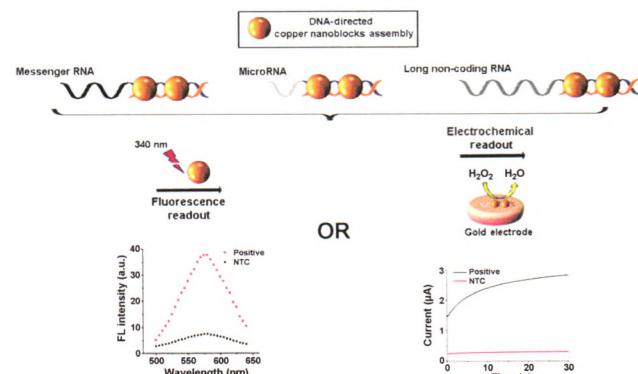
A precision-guided “depth bomb” for cancer cells was constructed by decorating a doxorubicin-loaded nanoscale coordination polymer with a hyaluronic acid shell. Once selectively internalized into targeted cancer cells, the nano-bomb was triggered within the acidic lysosomes and collapsed into fragments, accompanied by rapid drug release and fluorescence restoration of the drug.

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DNA-directed assembly of copper nanoblocks with inbuilt fluorescent and electrochemical properties: Application in simultaneous amplification-free analysis of multiple RNA species

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We developed a nanosensor that uses DNA-templated copper nanoblock synthesis for universal detection of different RNA species. We exploited the fluorescent and electrochemical properties of the synthesized copper nanoblocks to achieve simultaneous amplification-free detection of messenger RNA, microRNA, and long non-coding RNA cancer biomarkers.

940–952

Uniform and reproducible plasmon-enhanced fluorescence substrate based on PMMA-coated, large-area Au@Ag nanorod arrays

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Embedding ZnSe nanodots in nitrogen-doped hollow carbon architectures for superior lithium storage

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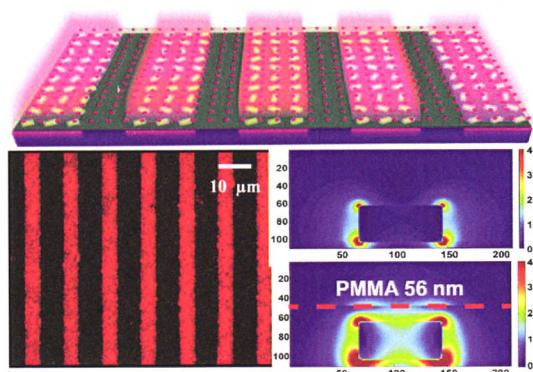
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Photocatalytic H₂ evolution improvement for H free-radical stabilization by electrostatic interaction of a Cu-BTC MOF with ZnO/GO

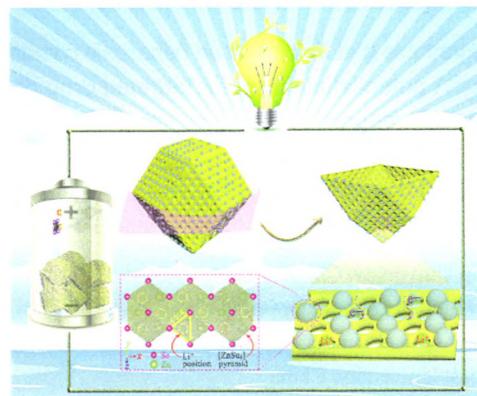
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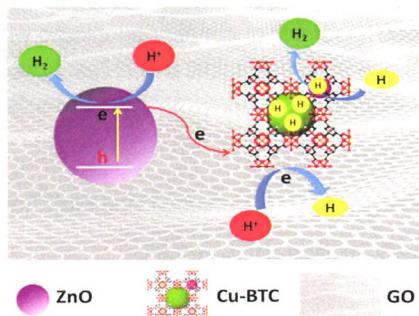
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A simple and scalable method was developed based on poly(methyl methacrylate) (PMMA)-coated Au@Ag nanorod arrays to fabricate reproducibly large-area and uniform metal-enhanced fluorescence (MEF) substrates.



Three-dimensional hybrid hollow composites with ultrafine zinc selenide nanodots uniformly confined within a N-doped porous carbon network have been rationally developed. Owing to their structural and compositional advantages, these architectures show exceptional lithium-storage performance, with an ultrahigh reversible specific capacity and excellent rate capability.



Cu-benzene-1,3,5-tricarboxylate (BTC) metal-organic framework (MOF) was incorporated into the ZnO/graphene oxide (GO) photocatalytic system by an electrostatic interaction method to stabilize the H· radicals generated from a photoreduction reaction. In the proposed assembly structure, ZnO served as the photoelectron donor, and GO as the ZnO-to-Cu-BTC photoelectron-transfer channel and as the supporting matrix for ZnO and Cu-BTC. Cu-BTC was expected to serve as a microcontainer for the free radicals generated by light irradiation to extend their lifetime.

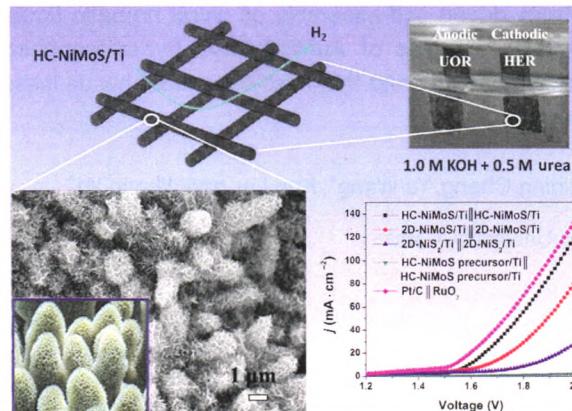
Hierarchical coral-like NiMoS nanohybrids as highly efficient bifunctional electrocatalysts for overall urea electrolysis

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Oxidation layering mechanism of graphene-like MoS₂ prepared by the intercalation-detonation method

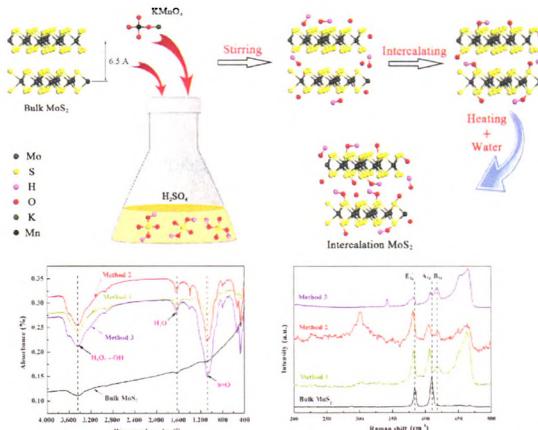
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Hierarchical coral-like Ni-Mo sulfides on Ti mesh (HC-NiMoS/Ti) were prepared and utilized as effective bifunctional electrodes for highly efficient hydrogen generation from overall urea electrolysis.



The oxidation layering mechanism of graphene-like MoS₂ is proposed. The intensity ratio of B_{1g} and A_{1g} peaks in the Raman spectra was determined to quantify the effect of oxidative intercalation.

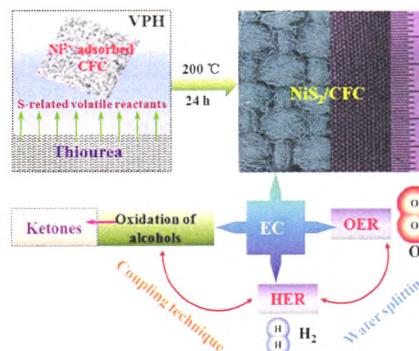
997–1003

Vapor-phase hydrothermal growth of single crystalline NiS₂ nanostructure film on carbon fiber cloth for electrocatalytic oxidation of alcohols to ketones and simultaneous H₂ evolution

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A vapor-phase hydrothermally grown NiS₂ nanostructure film supported on a carbon fiber cloth (NiS₂/CFC) as an electrode material exhibited superior dual electrocatalytic activities for oxygen and hydrogen evolution reactions (OER/HER) and efficiently promoted the electrocatalytic oxidation of alcohols to ketones with significantly decreased overpotentials as compared to that for the OER. This study presents a new energy conversion strategy combining high-value-added chemical production with highly efficient H₂ generation by water splitting.

1004–1017

Entropy-driven self-assembly of chiral nematic liquid crystalline phases of AgNR@Cu₂O hyper branched coaxial nanorods and thickness-dependent handedness transition

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1018–1028

Highly sensitive hybrid nanofiber-based room-temperature CO sensors: Experiments and density functional theory simulations

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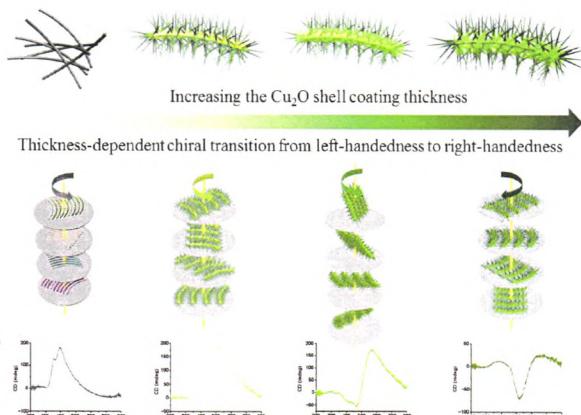
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Ultrasound-triggered release of sinoporphyrin sodium from liposome-microbubble complexes and its enhanced sonodynamic toxicity in breast cancer

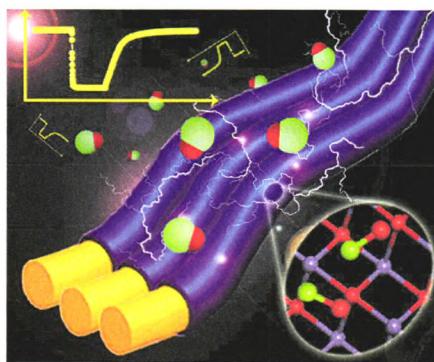
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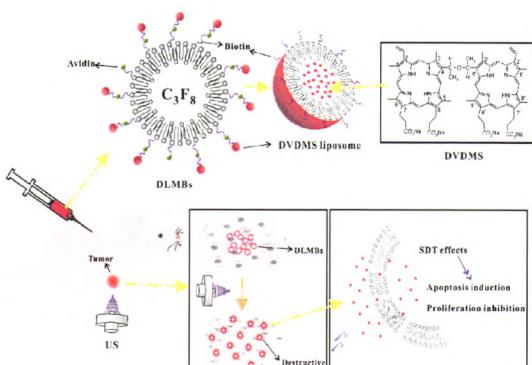
1038–1056



The chiral transition of Ag nanorod (AgNR)@Cu₂O hyper branched coaxial nanorods (HBCNRs) liquid crystal can be achieved via increasing the thickness of Cu₂O coating.



We present the fabrication of a novel sensing platform based on a hybrid structure with active facets. It showed high selectivity, high sensitivity, and ultrafast response at room temperature for the detection of CO; the results were further supported by density functional theory calculations. These findings highlight the potential of metal oxide semiconductors with high-energy facets as active components for electronic devices.



The liposome-encapsulated hydrophilic sonosensitizer sinoporphyrin sodium (DVDMS) was coupled with microbubbles via the biotin-avidin linkage to synthesize a complex (DLMBs) that exhibits high ultrasound response. Ultrasound-induced reactive oxygen species were key mediators to trigger the boosted release of DVDMS from DLMBs and improve the cellular uptake and intratumoral diffusion of DVDMS to achieve better sonodynamic effects against breast cancer.

Ultrasensitive detection of Ebola matrix protein in a memristor mode

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We demonstrate the biosensing of the Ebola VP40 matrix protein in liquid samples, using a memristor mode of a nanodevice. Further, we show the advantages of controlling the voltage gap via external voltage, which allows the sensing of both positive and negative charges.

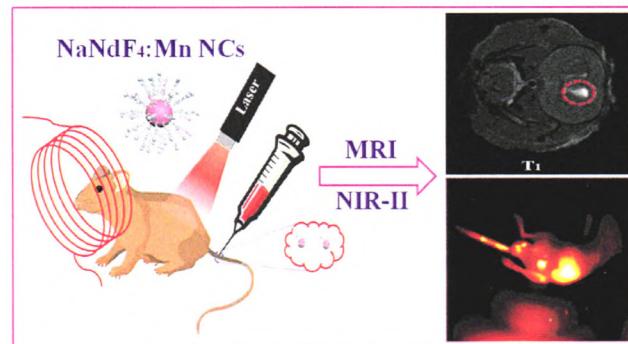
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Single ultrasmall Mn²⁺-doped NaNdF₄ nanocrystals as multimodal nanoprobe for magnetic resonance and second near-infrared fluorescence imaging

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Ultrasmall NaNdF₄:Mn nanocrystals have been developed as multimodal nanoprobe for high-performing magnetic resonance (MR)/second near infrared (NIR-II)/computed tomography (CT) imaging, as demonstrated by *in vitro*, *in vivo*, and *ex vivo* experiments.

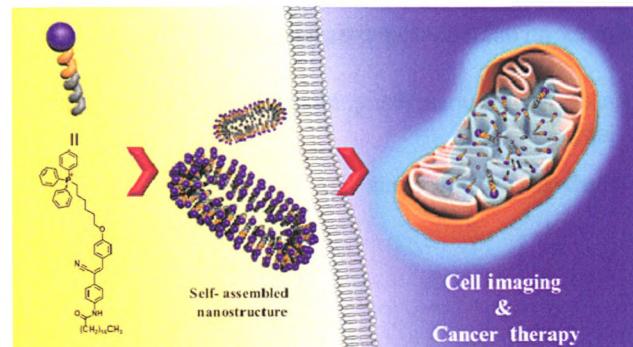
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Mitochondria-targeting self-assembled nanoparticles derived from triphenylphosphonium-conjugated cyanostilbene enable site-specific imaging and anticancer drug delivery

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Our findings indicate that applications of N1 as a mitochondrial targeting probe, drug delivery platform, and chemotherapeutic agent provide a unique strategy for potential image-guided therapy as well as site-specific delivery system to cancer cells.

1082–1098

Visible light-driven superoxide generation by conjugated polymers for organic synthesis

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1099–1108

Facile *in situ* growth of highly dispersed palladium on phosphotungstic-acid-encapsulated MIL-100(Fe) for the degradation of pharmaceuticals and personal care products under visible light

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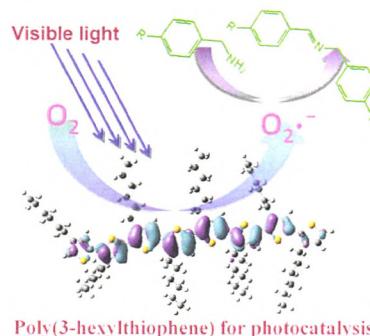
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CVD growth of fingerprint-like patterned 3D graphene film for an ultrasensitive pressure sensor

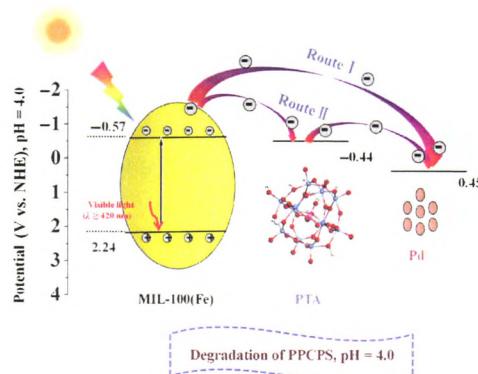
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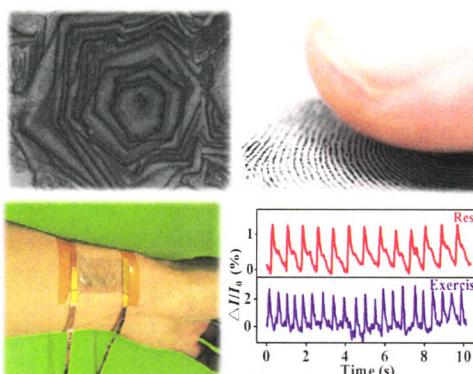
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The conjugated polymer poly(3-hexylthiophene) was designed as a metal-free visible light-driven photocatalyst for efficient superoxide generation. For the first time, poly(3-hexylthiophene) nanofibers are reported to exhibit excellent photocatalytic ability toward organic synthesis reactions, being able to catalyze the conversion of a variety of amines into imines by self-coupling with nearly 100% conversion and selectivity under visible light irradiation.



We explore an *in situ* method for preparing Pd-phosphotungstic acid-MIL-100(Fe) nanocomposites (Pd-PTA-MIL-100(Fe)). The resulting Pd-PTA-MIL-100(Fe) nanocomposites show excellent photoactivity toward the degradation of pharmaceuticals and personal care products under visible-light irradiation.

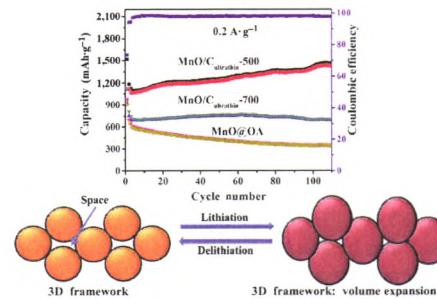


A bionic flexible pressure sensor is fabricated based on fingerprint-like patterned three-dimensional (3D) graphene films and hierarchical structured polydimethylsiloxane (PDMS) films molded from natural leaves. The sensor simultaneously possesses a high sensitivity (up to 110 (kPa)^{-1}), large workable pressure range (up to 75 kPa), low detection limit (0.2 Pa), and fast response (< 30 ms), showing great potential for health monitoring and human/machine interaction.

Robust 3D network architectures of MnO nanoparticles bridged by ultrathin graphitic carbon for high-performance lithium-ion battery anodes

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A synthetic strategy for the fabrication of robust three-dimensional (3D) network architectures of MnO nanoparticles bridged by an ultrathin graphitic carbon layer is described. The composite has favorable Li-ion storage properties, a high capacity, excellent rate capability, and acceptable cycling stability.

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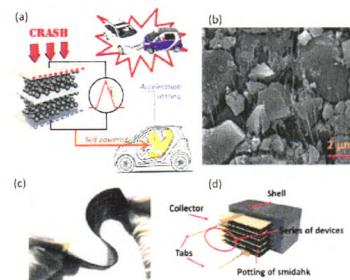
Discharge voltage behavior of electric double-layer capacitors during high-*g* impact and their application to autonomously sensing high-*g* accelerometers

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A novel integrated device that serves as a power source and as a high-*g* accelerometer is proposed based on a supercapacitor with broad application prospects in automobiles. The design, material preparation, fabrication, and parameter optimization are presented. A dynamic model is used to explain the micro-scale mechanism. The simulation and experimental results reveal the voltage dependency of the high-*g* accelerometer and demonstrate the characteristics of the device.

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Integrative square-grid triboelectric nanogenerator as a vibrational energy harvester and impulsive force sensor

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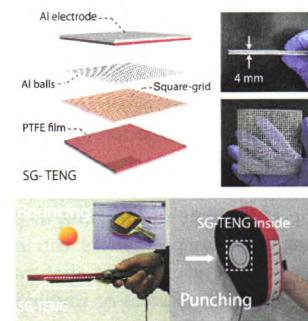
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Square-grid triboelectric nanogenerator that can harvest vibrational energy over a broad bandwidth and operate at different vibrational angles is capable of harvesting the vibrational energy from the impact between a ping pong ball and a racket. Moreover, through integration into a focus mitt, it can be used in various combat sports to monitor the frequency and magnitude of punches or kicks.

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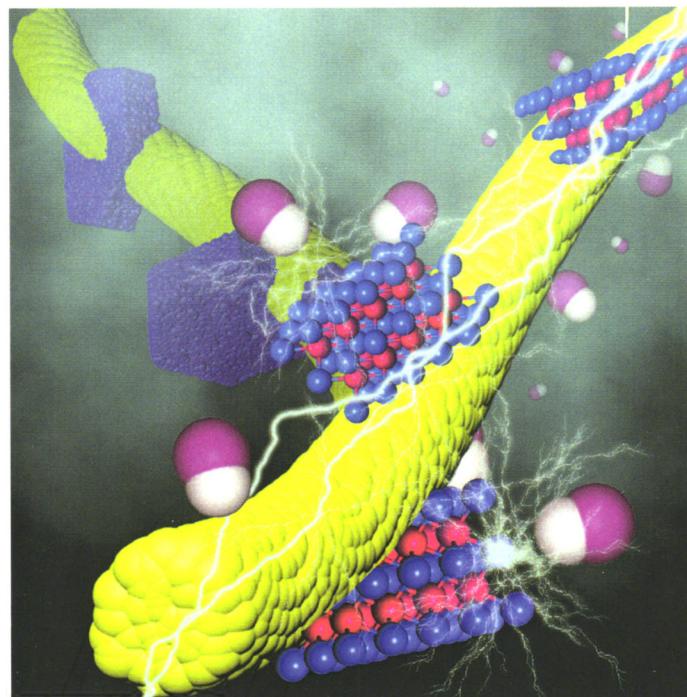
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