



PEC sensing of glucose using one dimensional TiO_2 nanostructure modified by two dimensional material

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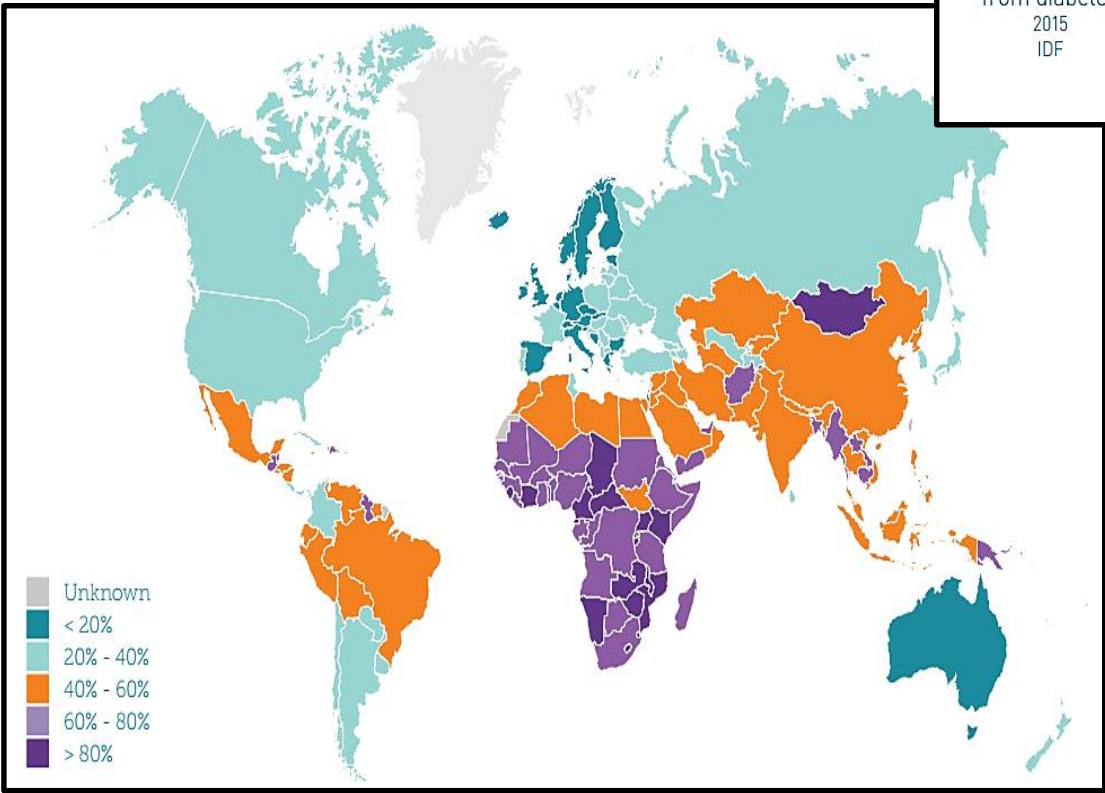
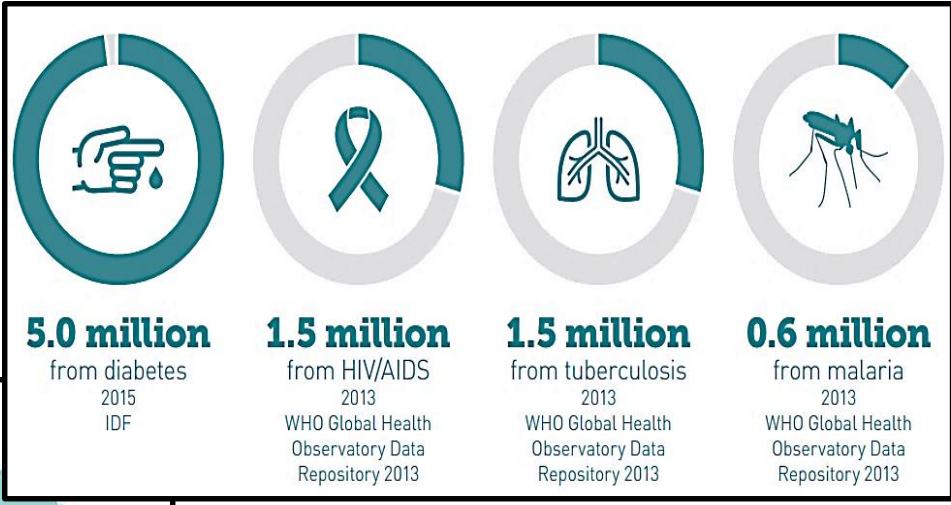
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2015



One in 11 adults has diabetes



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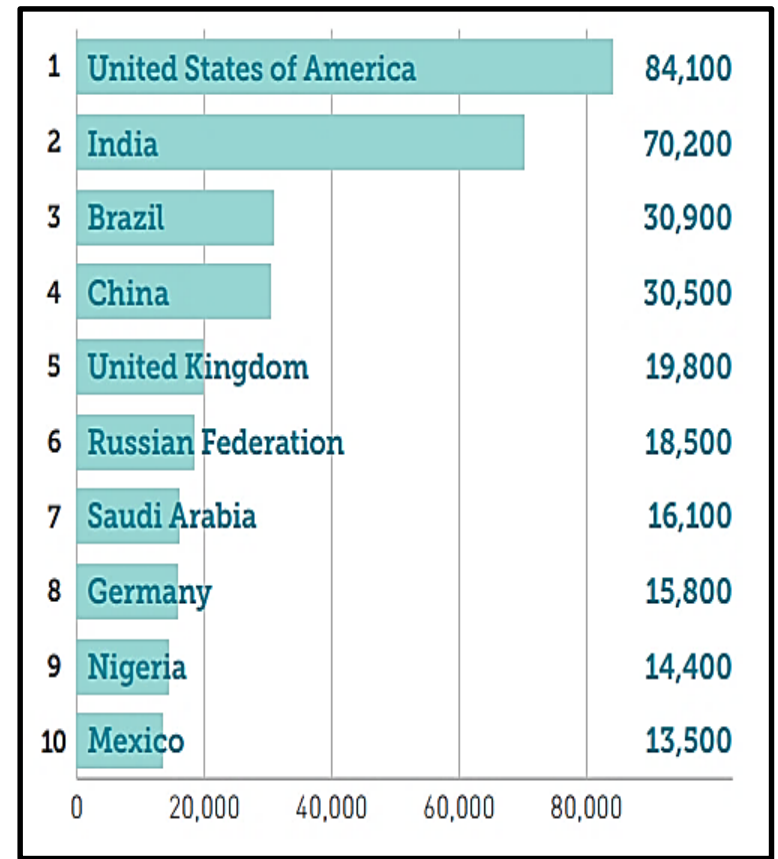
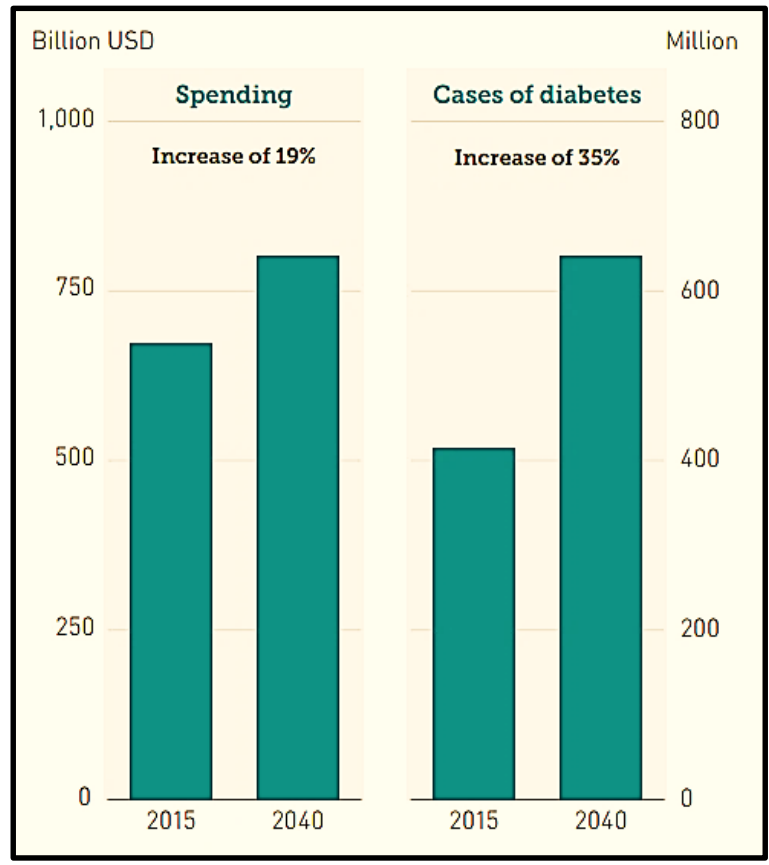
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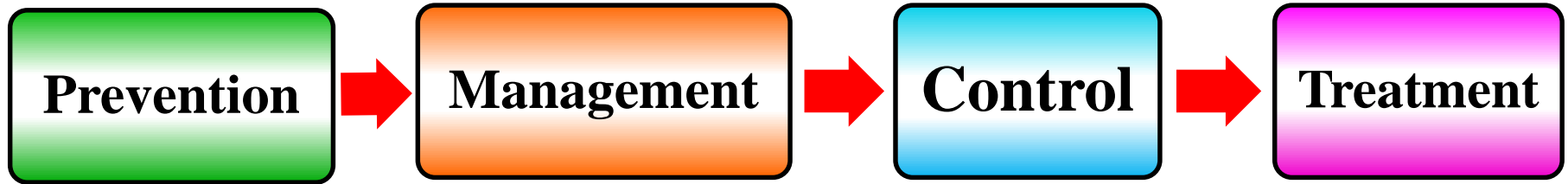
Financial Cost



Diabetes in Children



Action on Diabetes



Get Active



Lose Weight

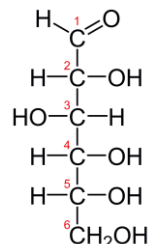




Glucose Sensing

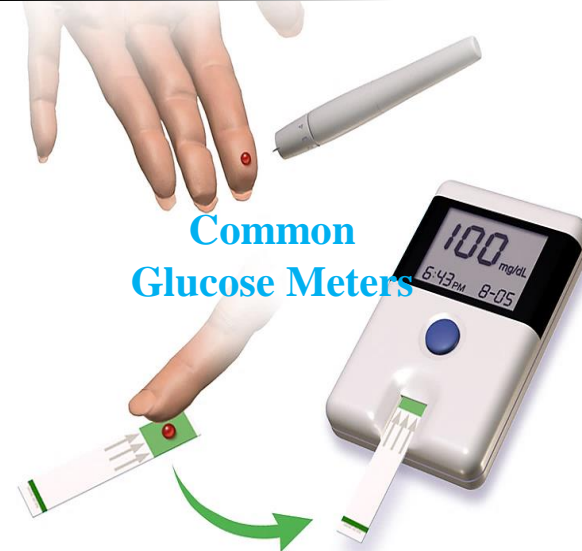


History



Glucose

First Prepared by Lyon and Clark in 1962



Common Glucose Meters

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Glucose_meter

Date	Event
1962	First glucose enzyme electrode
1973	Glucose enzyme electrode based on peroxide detection
1975	Launch of the first commercial glucose sensor system
1982	Demonstration of in vivo glucose monitoring
1984	Development of ferrocene mediators
1987	Launch of the first personal glucose meter
1987	Electrical wiring of enzymes
1999	Launch of a commercial in vivo glucose sensor
2000	Introduction of a wearable noninvasive glucose monitor

Glucose Sensing:
not only for diabetes but
also for food industry
and researches



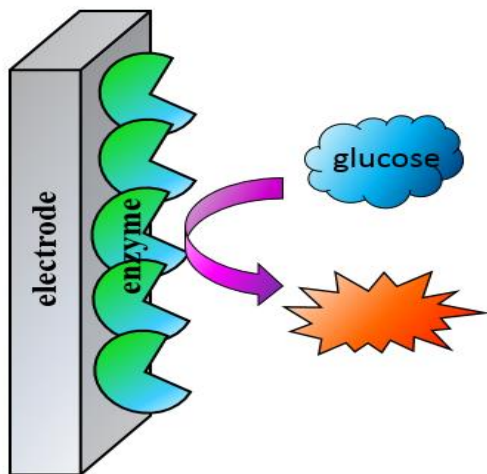
Glucose Sensing



Enzymatic Sensors

➤ Using Enzyme as Catalysis

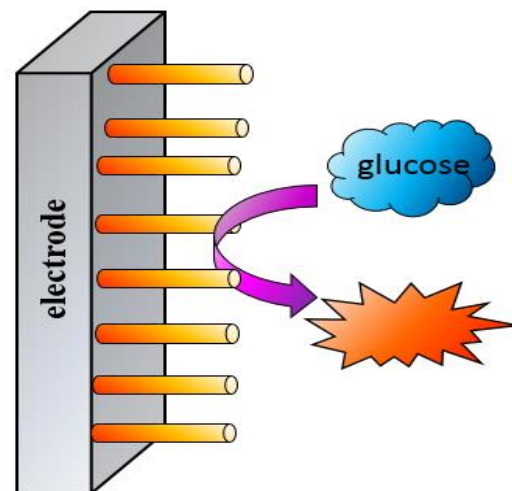
- Acceptable Selectivity & Sensitivity
 - Depending on Temperature, pH, Humidity, ...
 - Low Stability
 - Low Reproducibility



Non Enzymatic Sensors

➤ Using Nanostructured Materials

- Good Sensitivity
- High Stability & Reproducibility
- Low Detection Limit
 - Low Selectivity





glucose sensing



Non Enzymatic Sensors

Optical Sensors

- Using light
- High Signal to noise
- High Sensitivity

- Depending on Temperature, ...
- Interfered by other Samples
- Low Selectivity

Electrochemical Sensors

- Using Interaction with Glucose
- Low Detection Limit

- Non-biocompatible
- High Cost
- Low Selectivity

PEC Sensors

- Using Light & Interaction
- Low Cost
- Simple Method
- High Sensitivity
- Low Selectivity

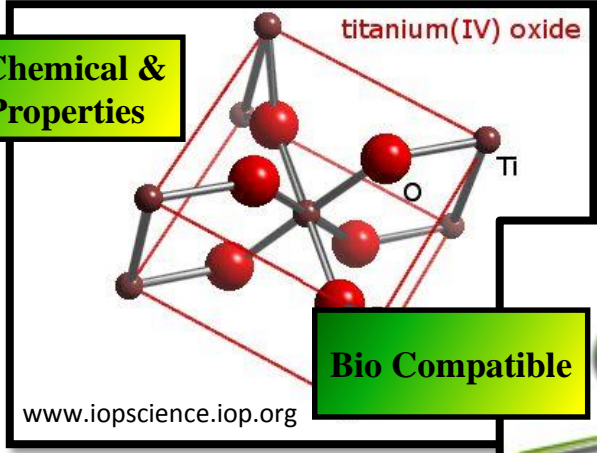




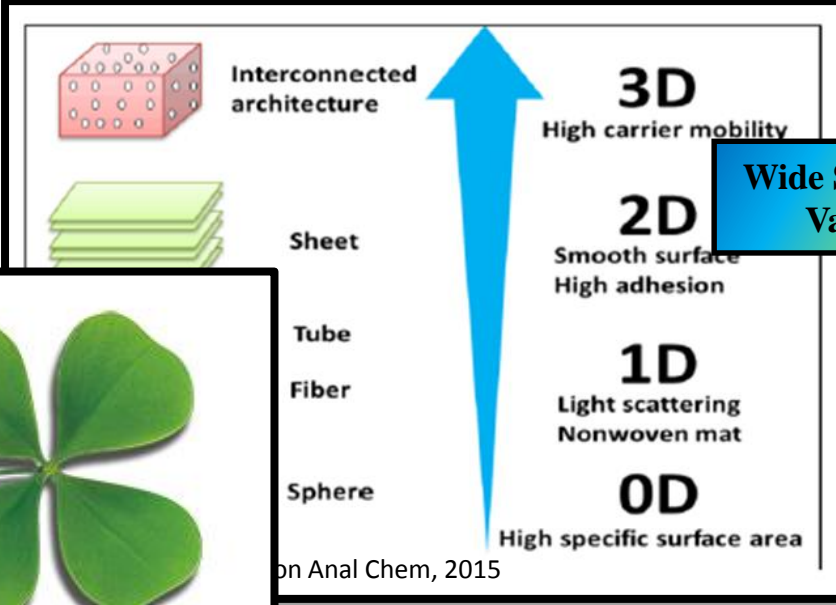
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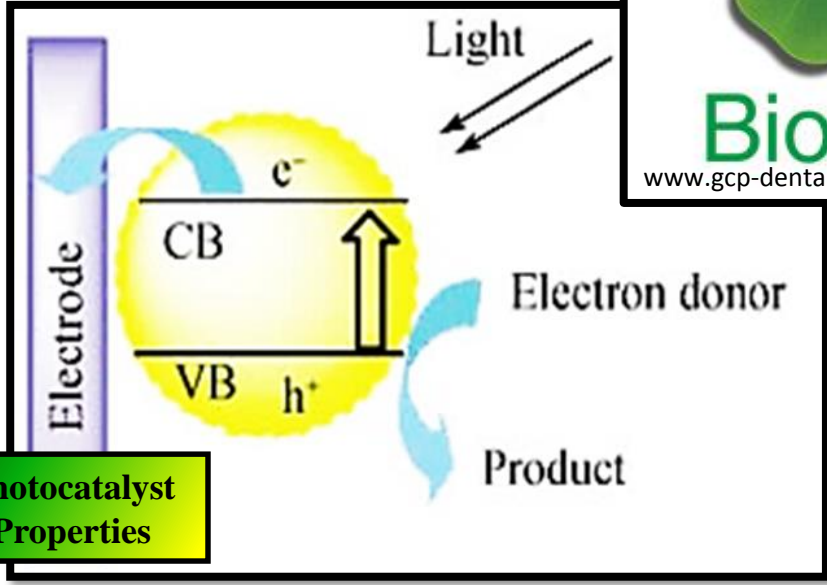
Exclusive Chemical & Physical Properties



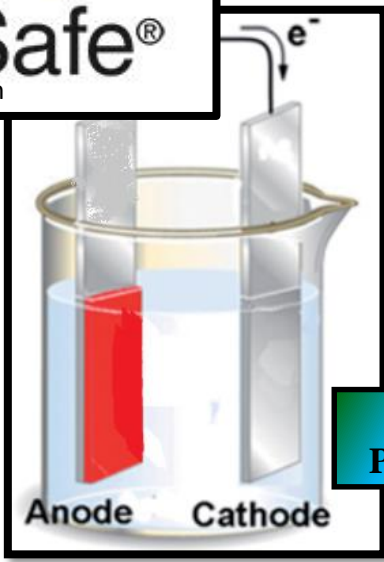
Bio Compatible



Wide Structure Variety



Photocatalyst Properties



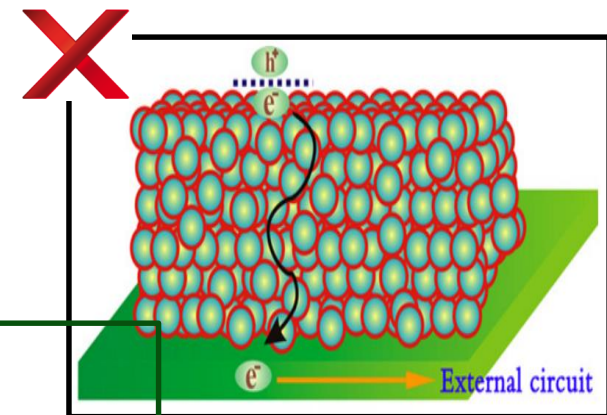
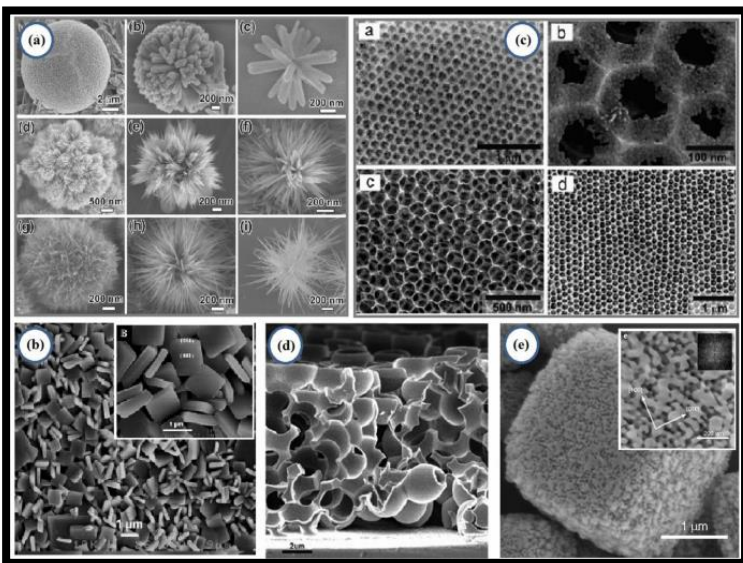
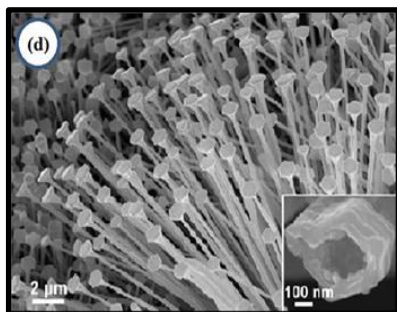
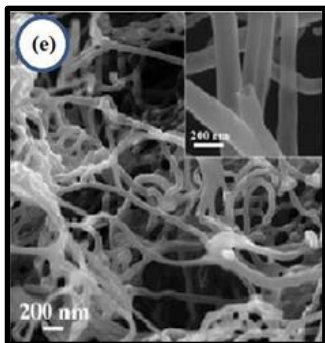
Simple Preparation



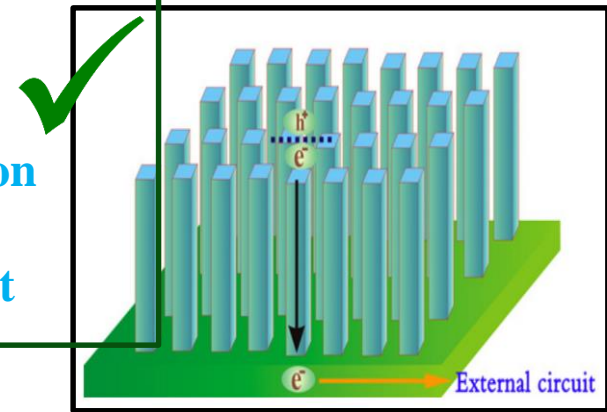
Low Cost



Why TiO₂ Nanostructure for Sensing?



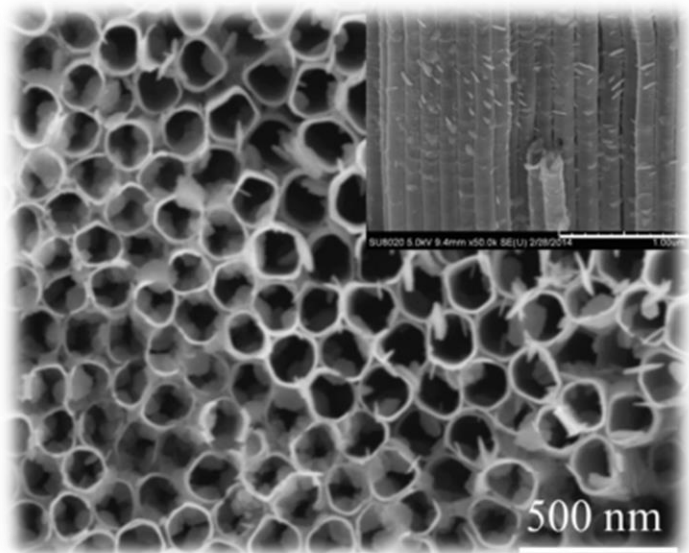
- ✓ Very small size
- ✓ High surface to volume ratio
- ✓ Light trapping
- ✓ Good charge separation
- ✓ Good charge transport



Q. Mua et al, Journal of Hazardous Materials, 2011

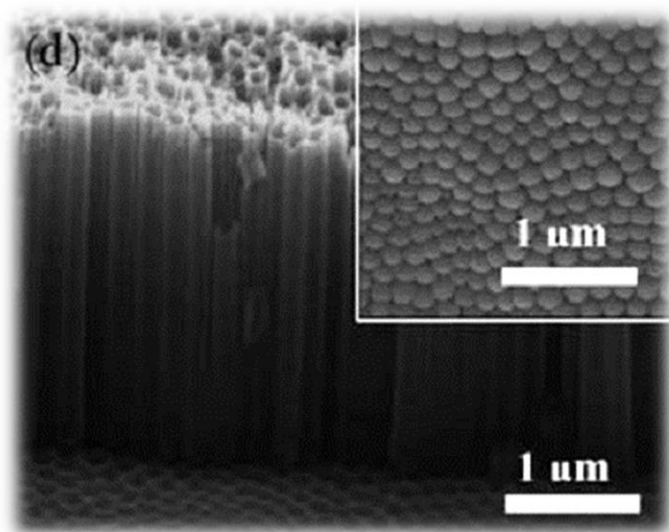


Why TiO₂ Nanotube for Sensing?



Y. Pang et al., Dalton Trans., 2015

- ✓ Simple Preparation
- ✓ Adjustable Length, Wall thickness & Diameter
- ✓ Vertically Aligned
- ✓ High Surface Area
- ✓ Open mouth
- ✓ High Stability



Y. Pang et al., Dalton Trans., 2015



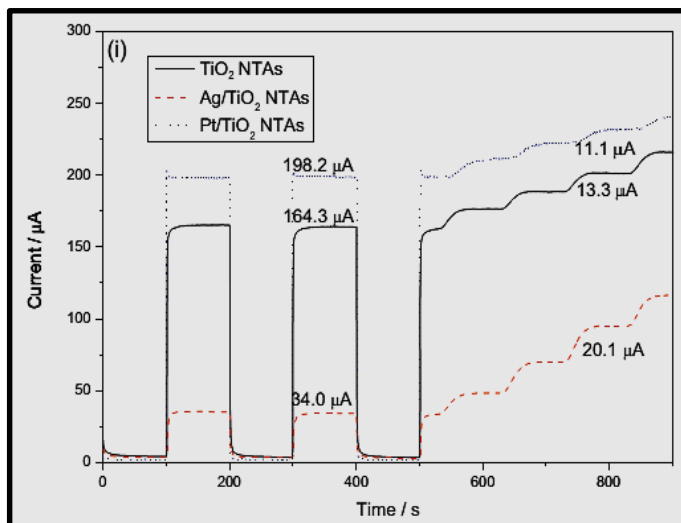
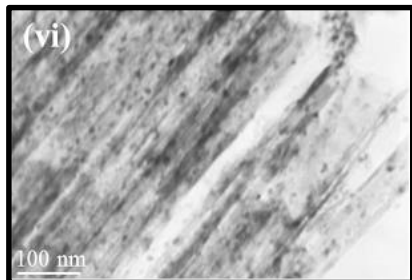
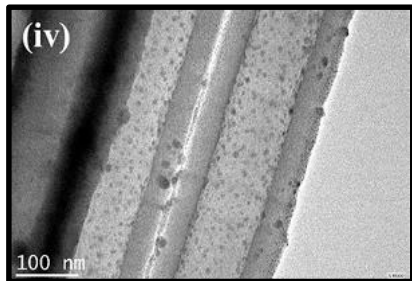
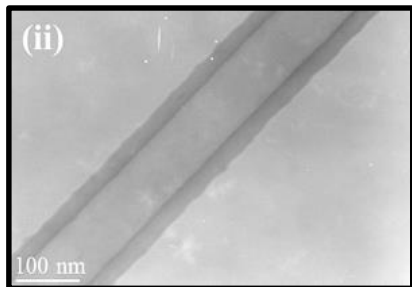
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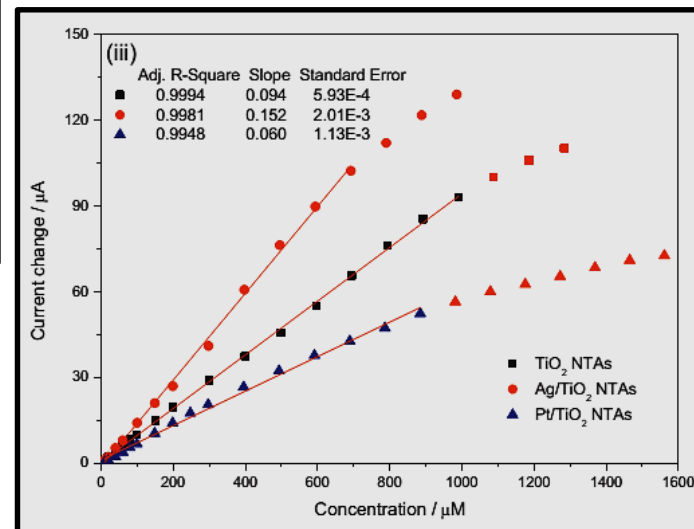
Photoelectrochemical Performances and Potential Applications of TiO₂ Nanotube Arrays Modified with Ag and Pt Nanoparticles



G. Xu et al. Electrochimica Acta. 2014



60% Improvement





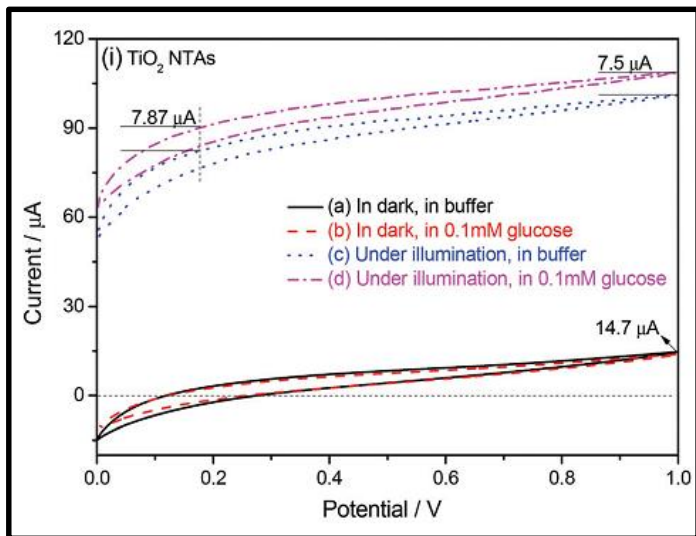
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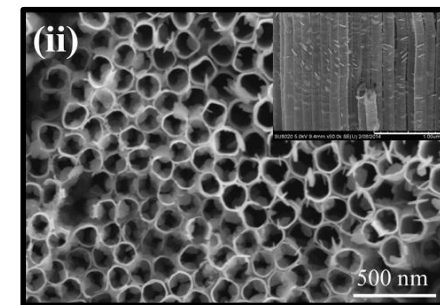
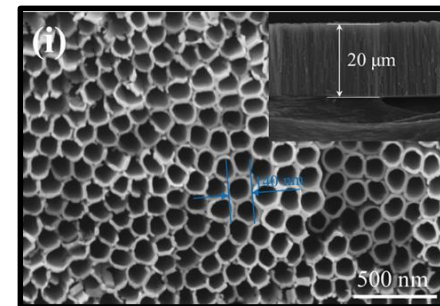
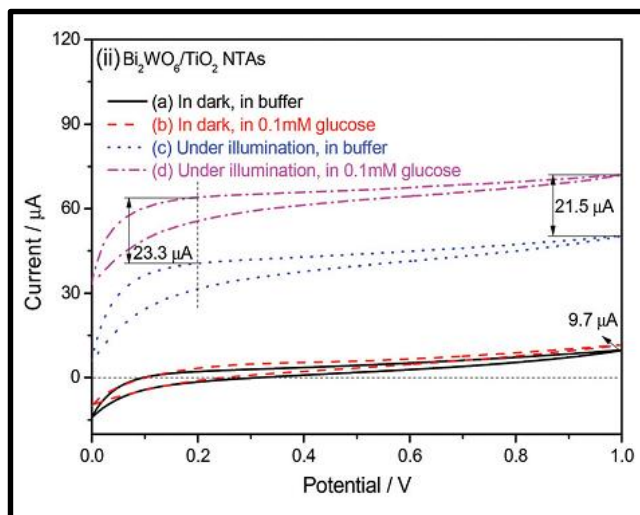
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Photoelectrochemical properties and the detection mechanism of Bi_2WO_6 nanosheet modified TiO_2 nanotube arrays

Y. Pang et al. *Dalton Trans.*, 2015



40% Improvement





Our Work



Step 1

Optimizing

The Length and Annealing Ambient of TNAs toward Glucose Sensing

Step 2

Modifying

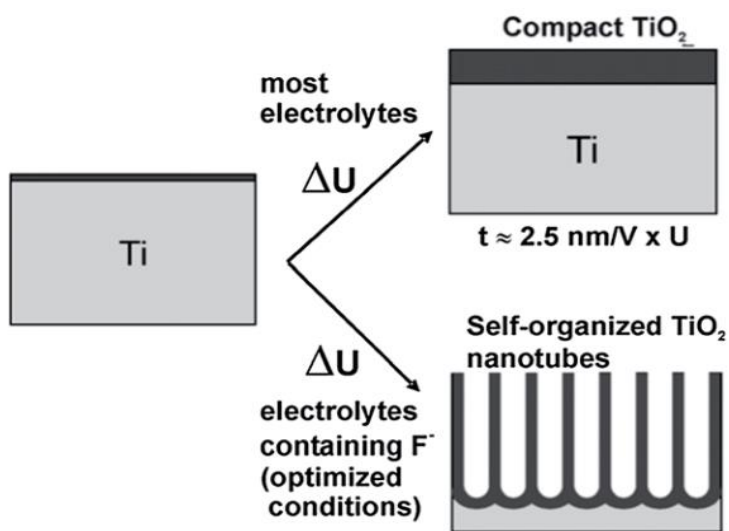
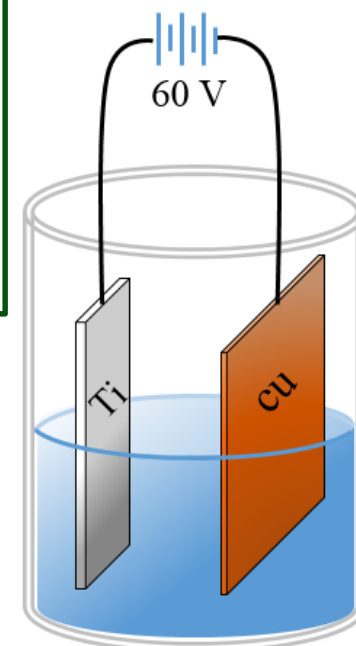
Optimum TNAs by 2D Material to Improve Glucose Sensing



TNT Preparation



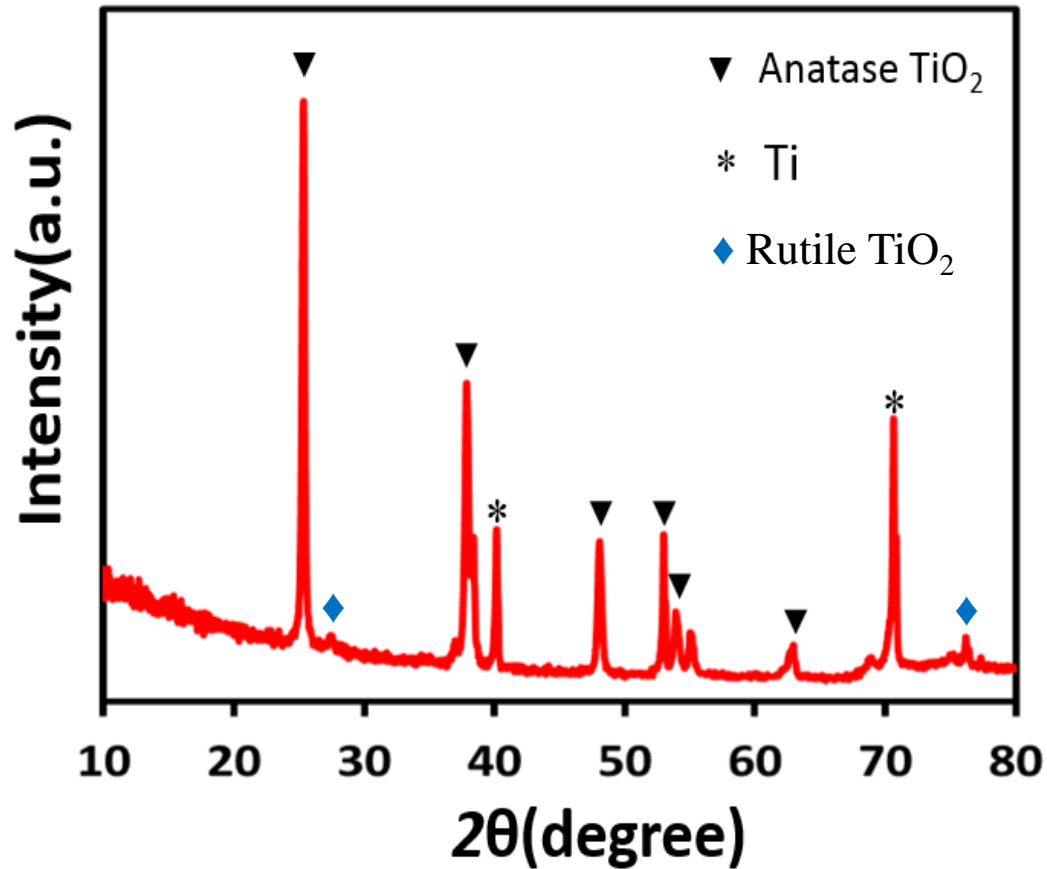
- ✓ **Electrolyte:** \longrightarrow Water, EG, NH_4F
- ✓ **Anodization Time:** \longrightarrow 30, 60, 120 and 240 min
- ✓ **Removing Top Layer:** \longrightarrow 30s Sonicating in Water
- ✓ **Heating:** \longrightarrow 520 °C for 6 h in Air & 400 °C in Ar/ H_2



Anodization Method



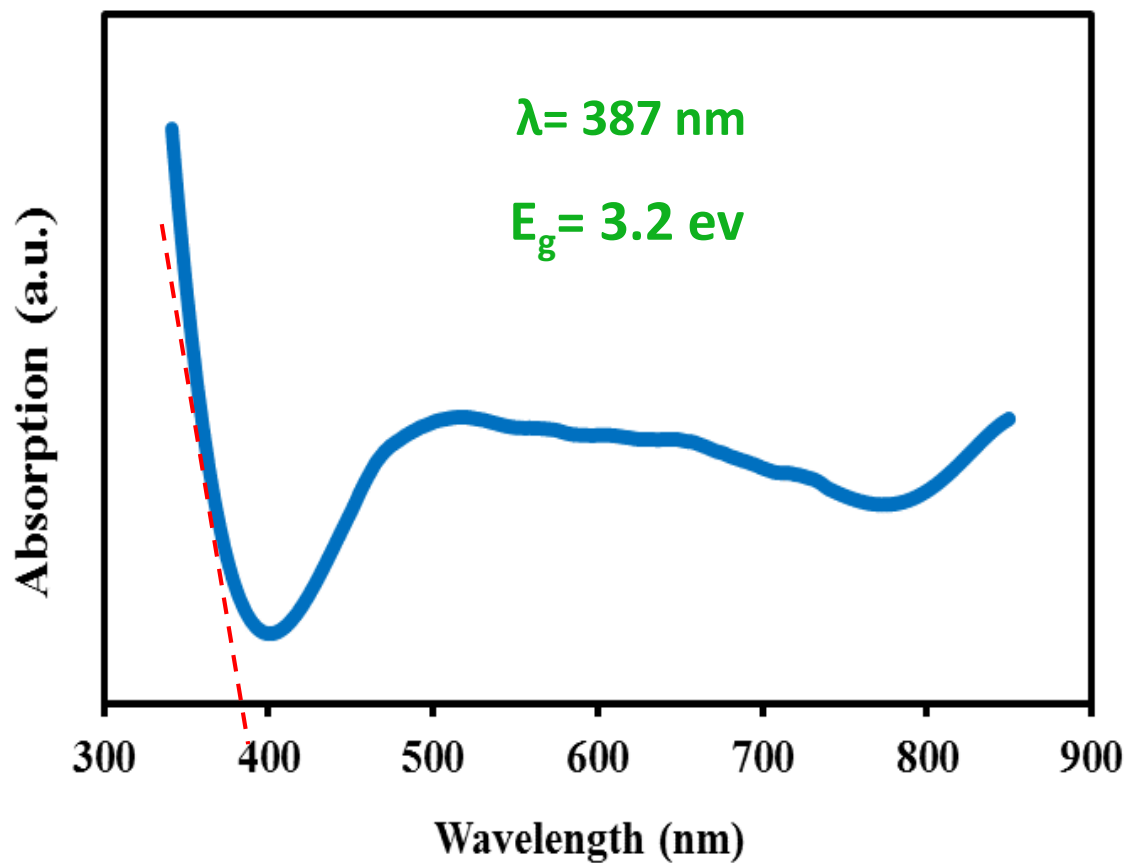
Crystalline Structure



XRD pattern of TNAs grown for 2 h



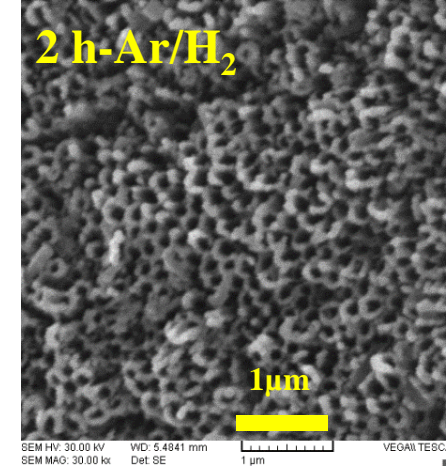
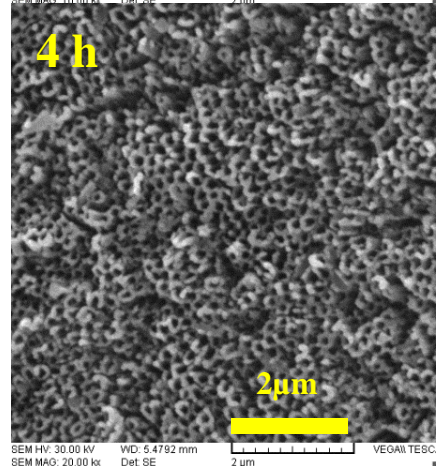
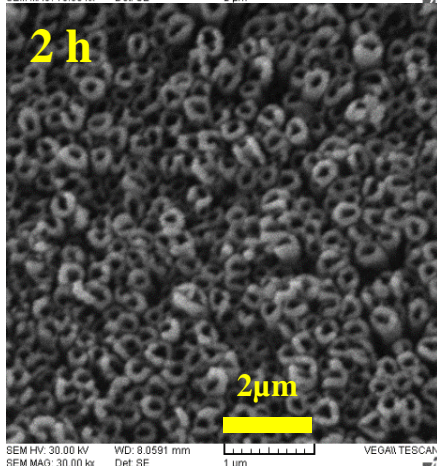
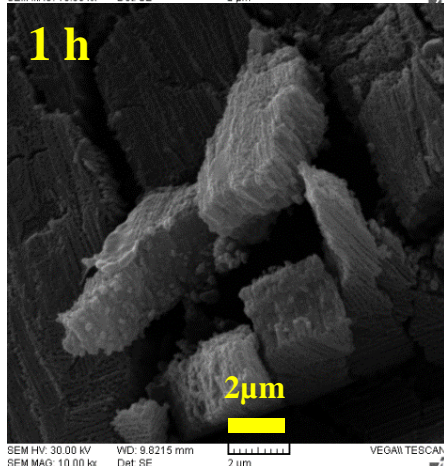
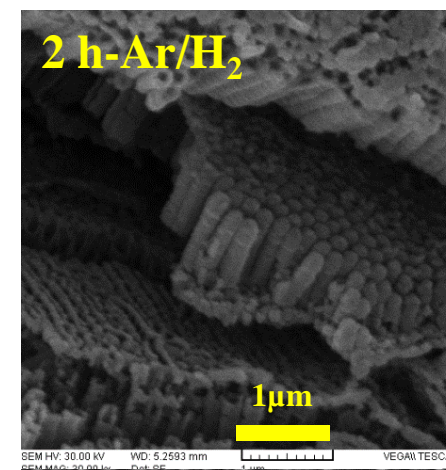
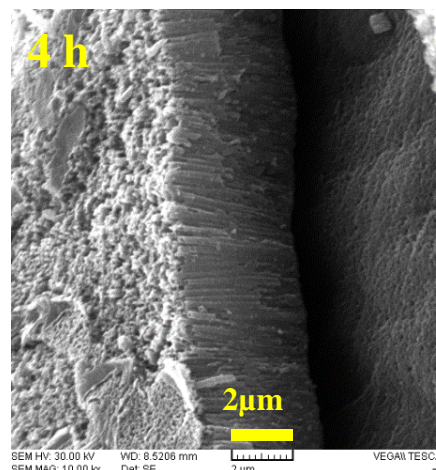
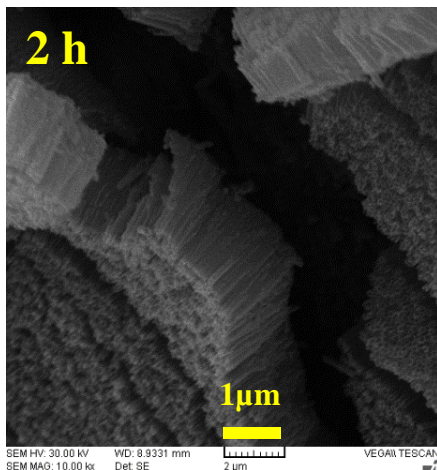
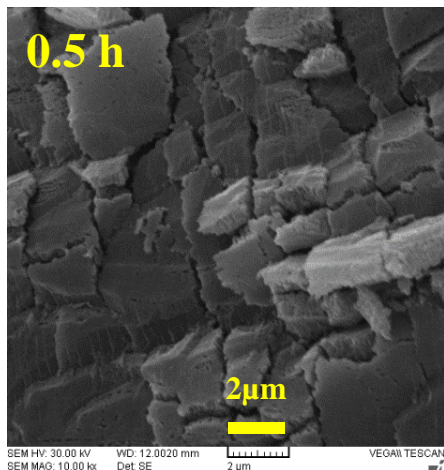
Optical Absorption



DRS of TNAs grown for 2 h



Surface Morphology





Surface Morphology



- Anodization time did not change the surface morphology of tubes
- Anodization time change the tube length

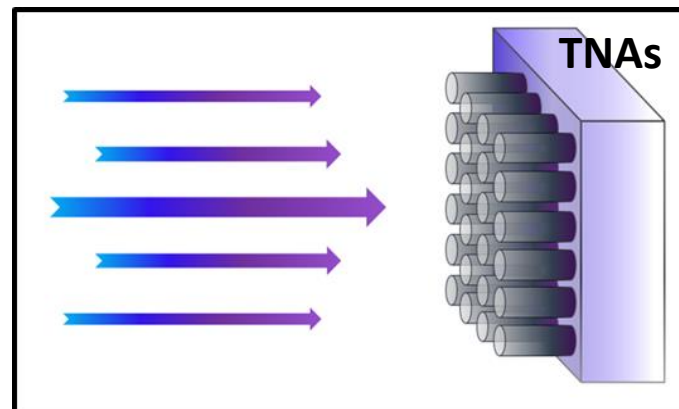
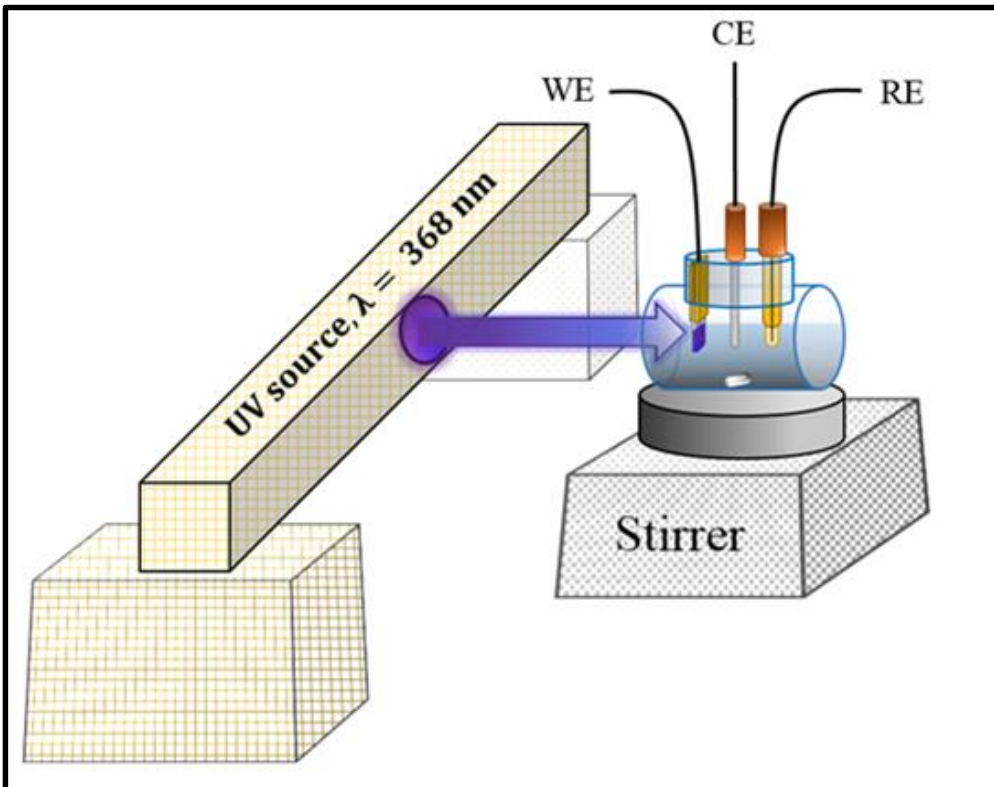
Anodization time (min)	Length (μm)	Wall thickness (nm)	Diameter (nm)
30 ± 1	0.60 ± 0.04	NA	NA
60 ± 1	1.45 ± 0.05	NA	NA
120 ± 1	2.70 ± 0.06	14 ± 2	138 ± 10
240 ± 1	3.96 ± 0.06	15 ± 2	143 ± 13



PEC Measurement

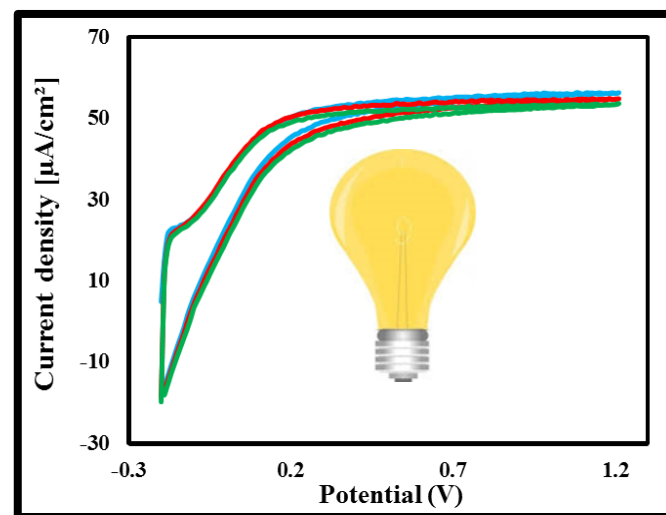
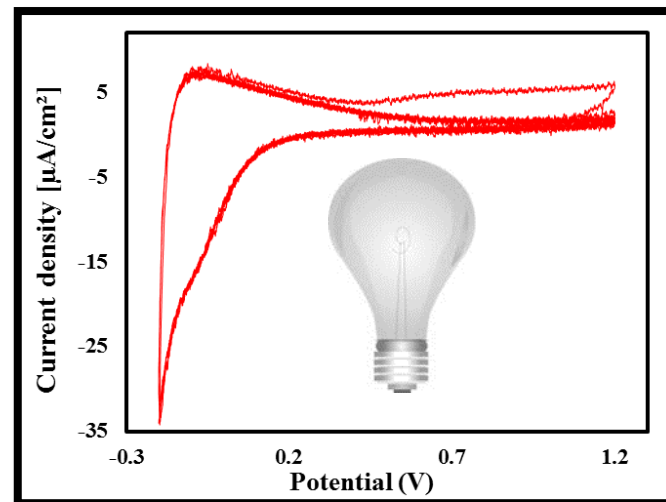
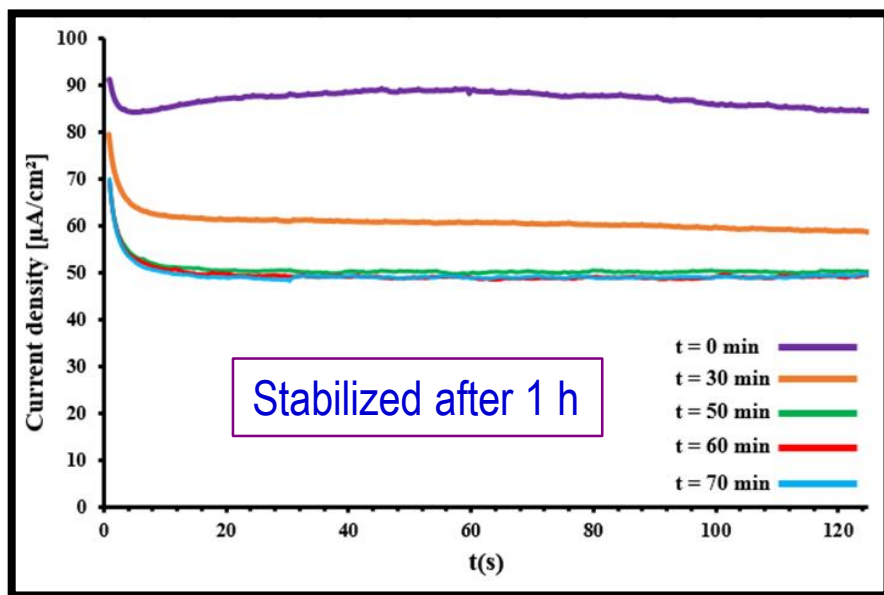


- ✓ **Electrolyte:** 0.1M NaNO₃
- ✓ **Light :** UV Lamp, $\lambda=368$ nm
- ✓ **Electrodes:** Ag/AgCl & Pt



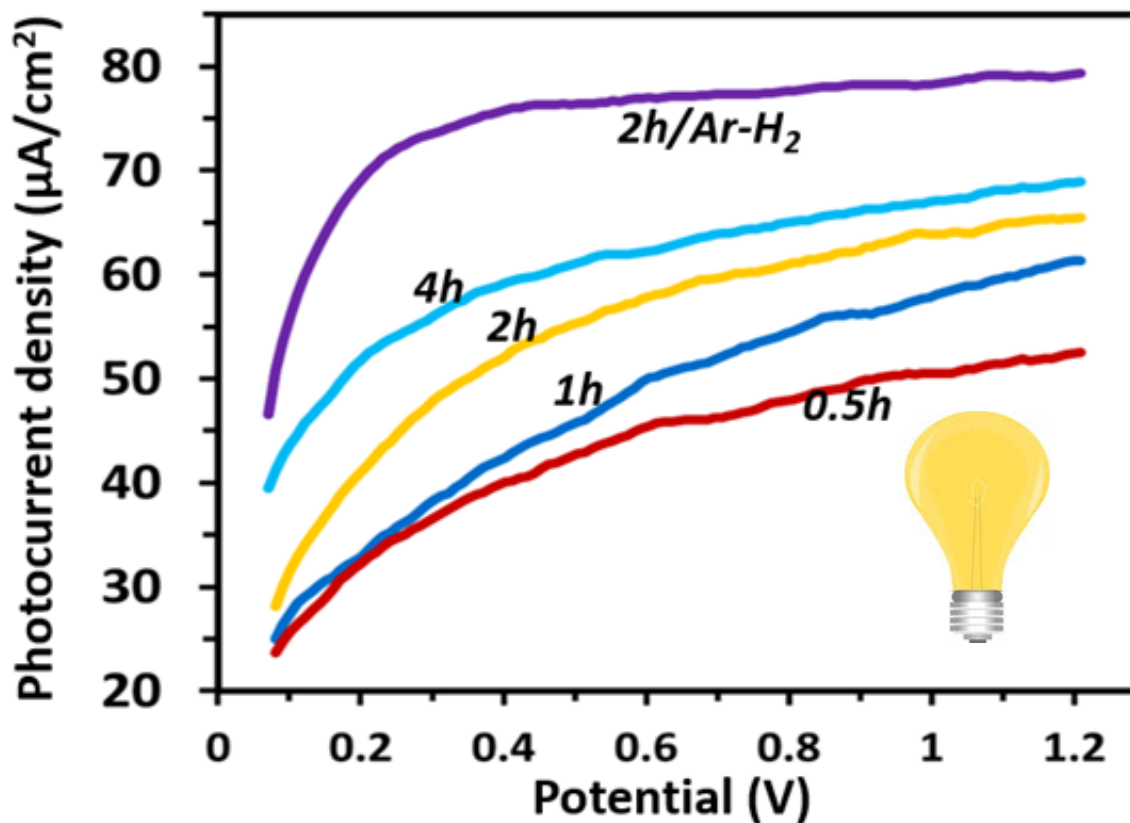


Photoanode Stability





Linear Sweep Voltammetry

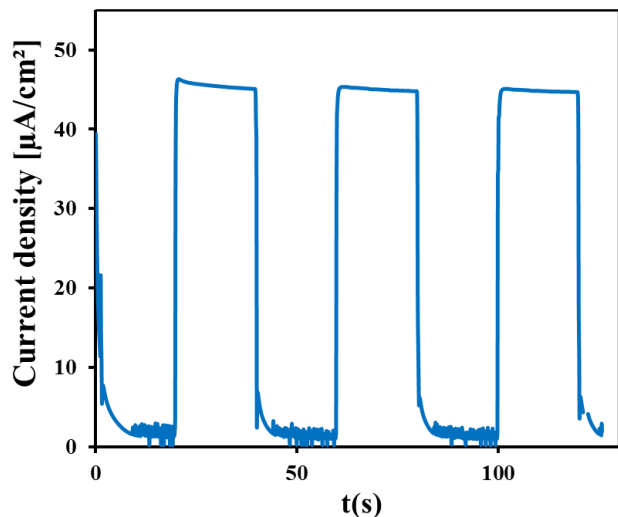




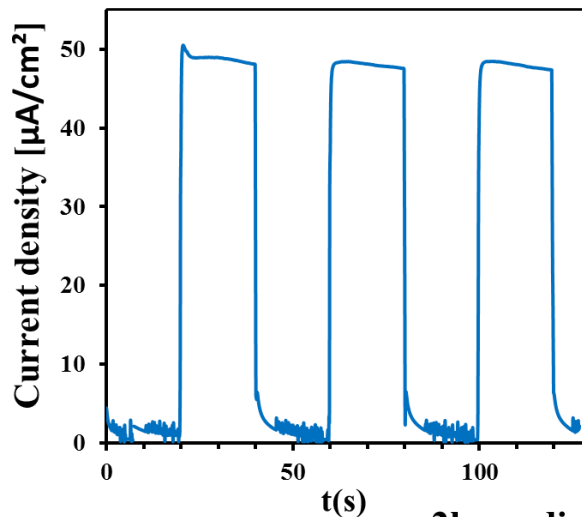
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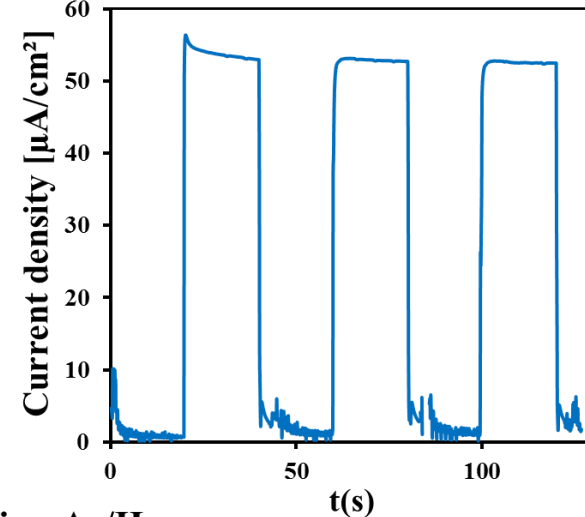
0.5 h anodization



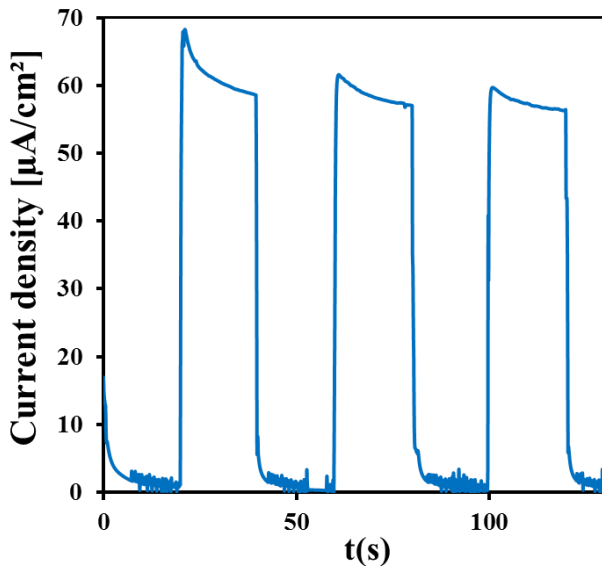
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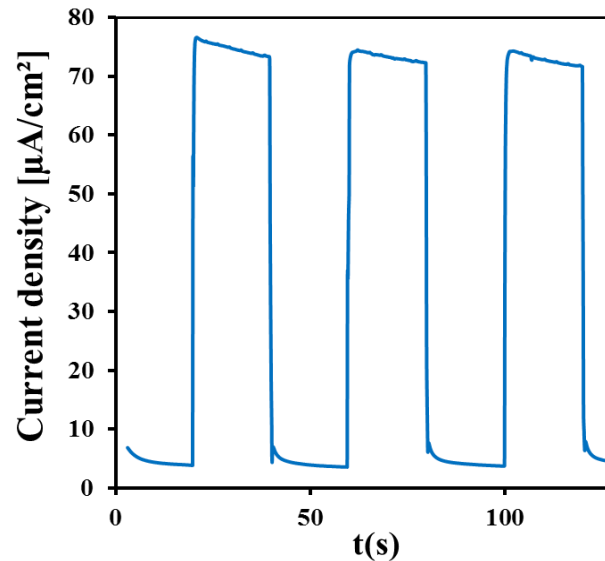
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4h anodization



2h anodization-Ar/H₂

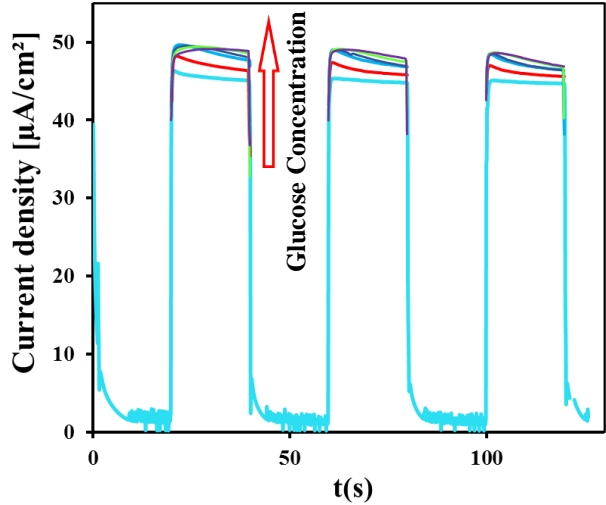




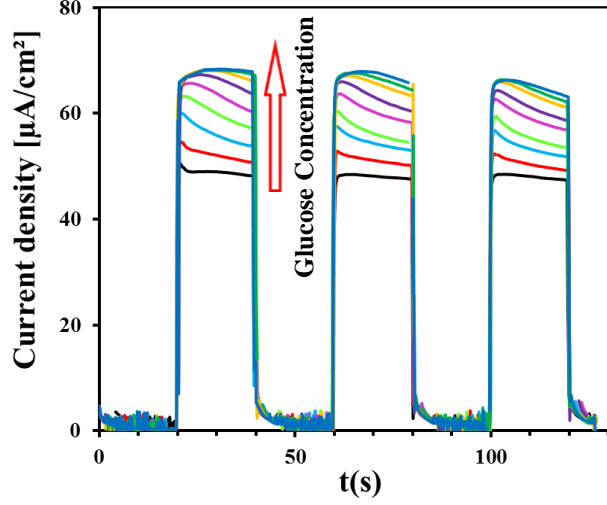
PEC Glucose Detection



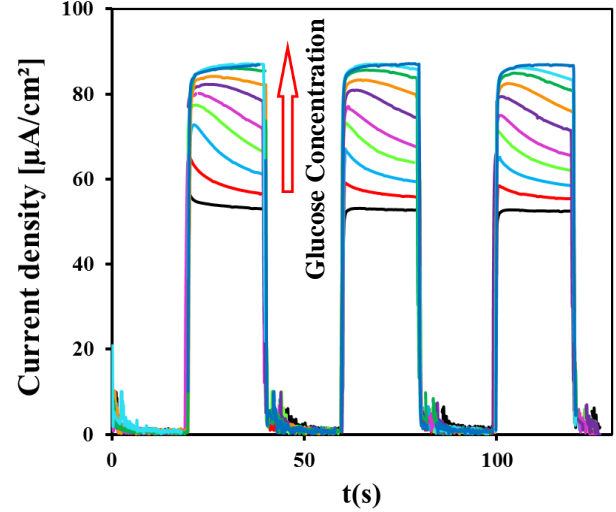
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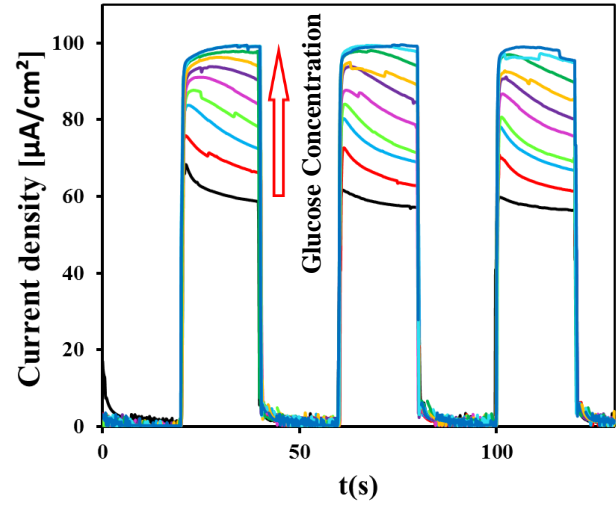
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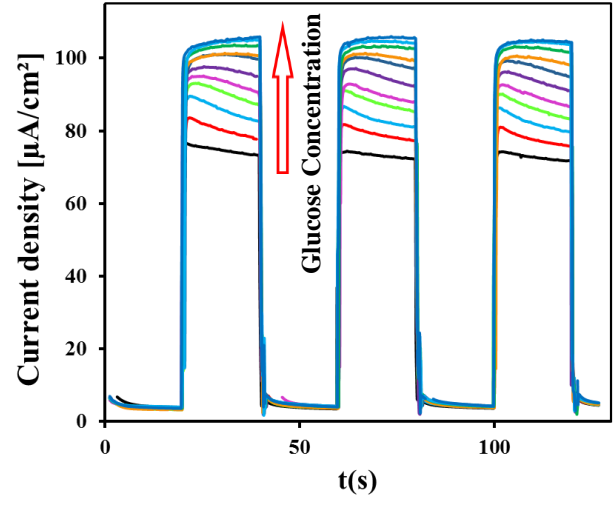
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4h anodization

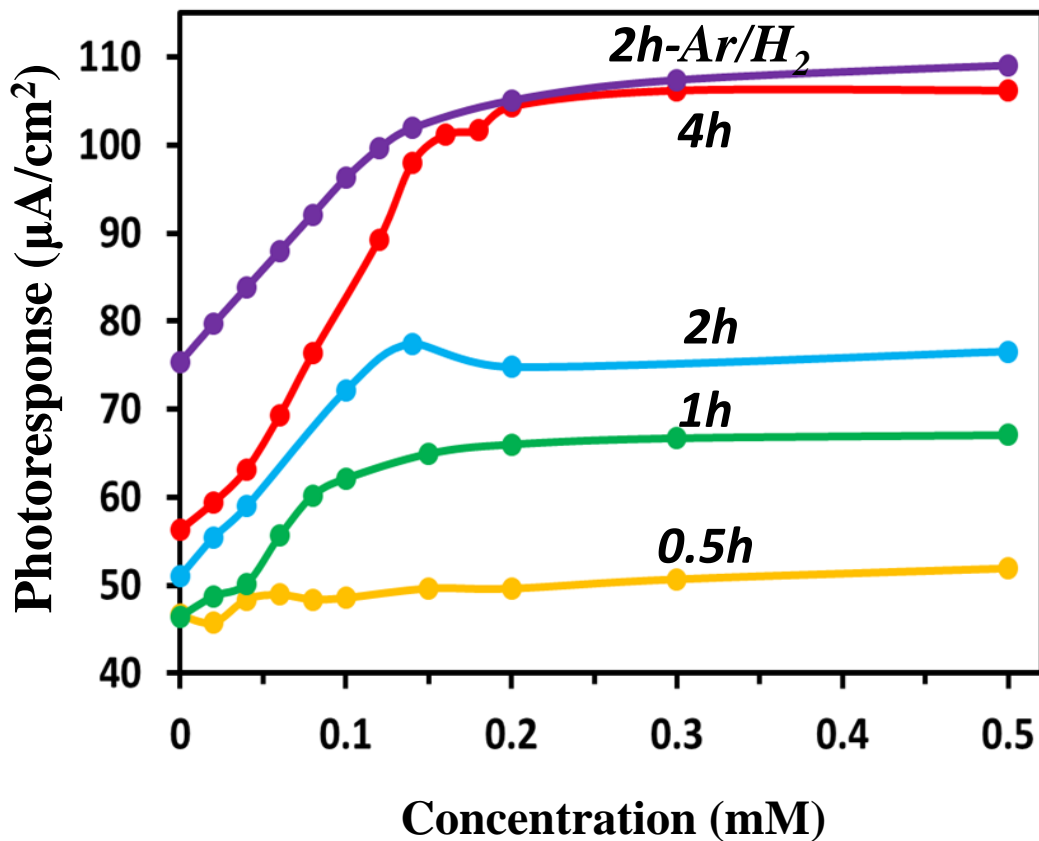


2h anodization-ArH₂





Glucose Sensing Performances





✓ Sensitivity increase with anodization time



○ Standard deviation increase with time



t(h)	I_{ph} (μA)	α (μA/mM.cm²)	C₀(mM)
0.5	46.1 ± 0.6	55.0 ± 15.5	0.04 ± 0.00
1	43.5 ± 8.6	145.4 ± 32.8	0.12 ± 0.03
2	53.7 ± 3.7	244.5 ± 48.0	0.14 ± 0.01
4	57.9 ± 1.1	255.5 ± 62.9	0.18 ± 0.01
2h – Ar/H ₂	72.9 ± 1.7	188.4 ± 8.7	0.18 ± 0.02



Conclusion



- **Optimum Preparation Condition:** 2h Anodization and Annealing in air
- **Sensitivity Factor of Optimum Sample:** $244.5 \pm 48.0 \mu\text{A}/\text{mM}\cdot\text{cm}^2$
- **Upper Performance Limit of Optimum Sample:** $0.14 \pm 0.01 \text{ mM}$

Optimum TNAs can act as a promising semiconductor host for future modification



2D Material

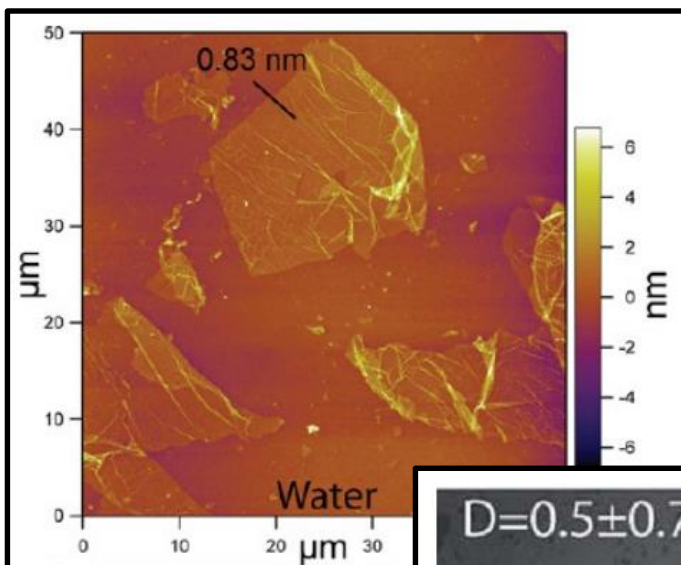


2D Material From IPM

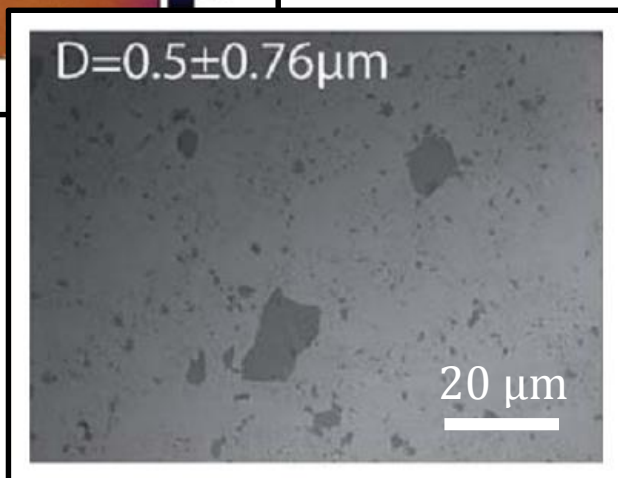


IPM

Institute for Research in Fundamental Sciences



R. Jalili et al, ACS NANO, 7, 2013



R. Jalili et al, Mater. Horiz., 2014

Preparation Method:

► Exfoliation of Expanded Graphite ◀

Mean Seat Size: 1µm

Mean Lateral Size: 1nm



TNAs Modification

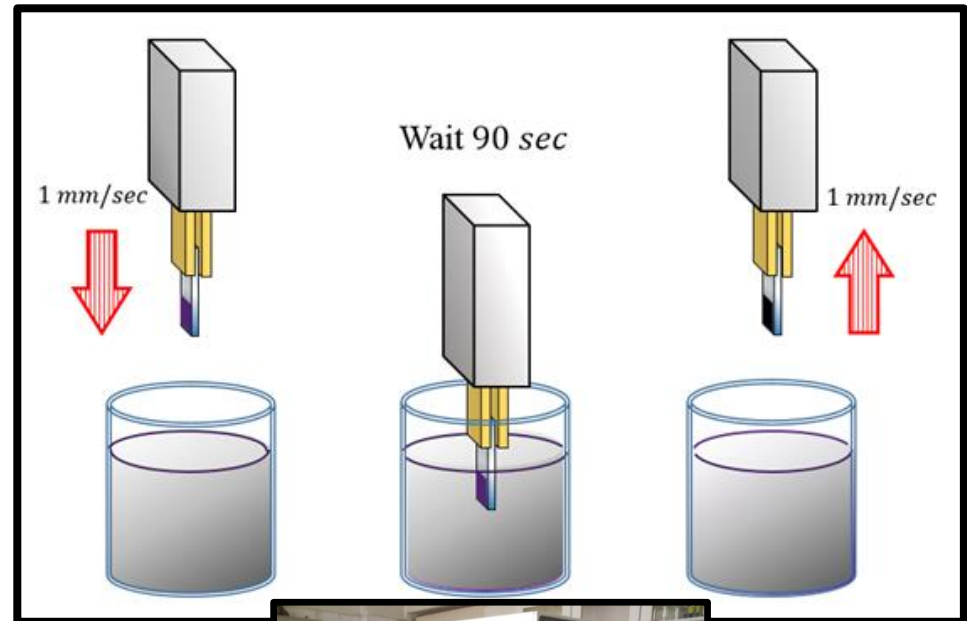


Deep Coating

Graphene
(0.675 mg/ml)

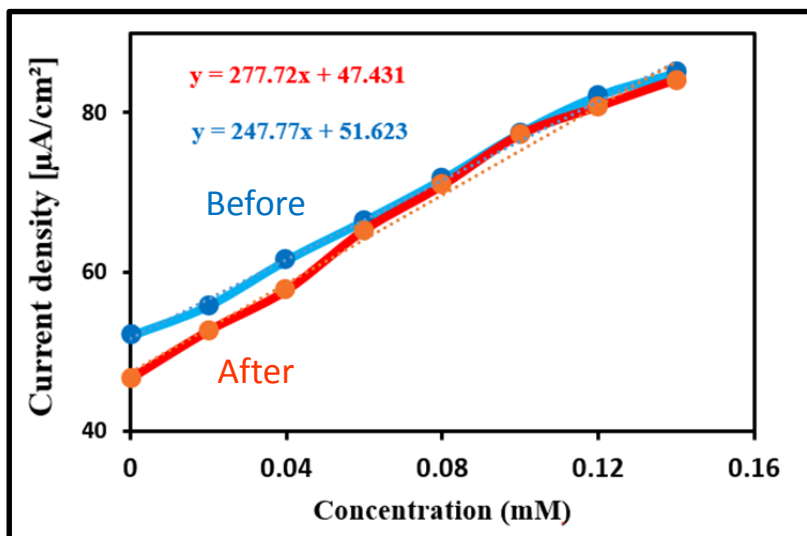
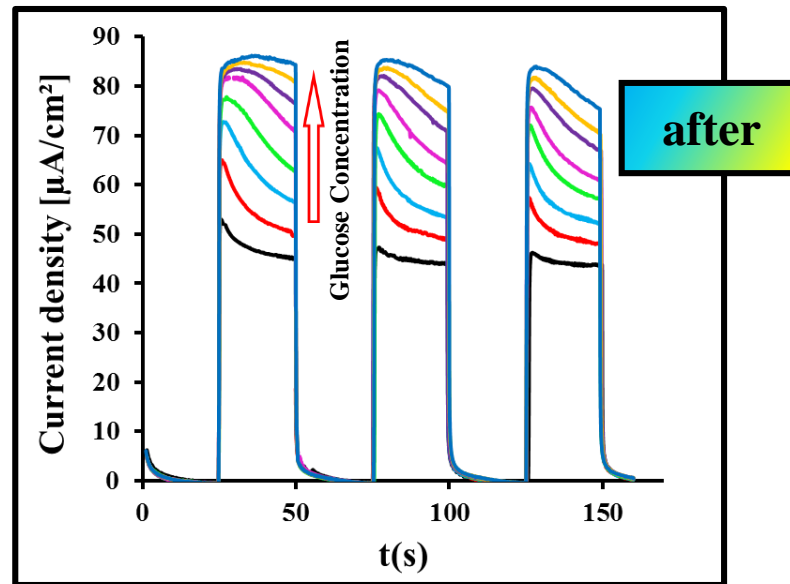
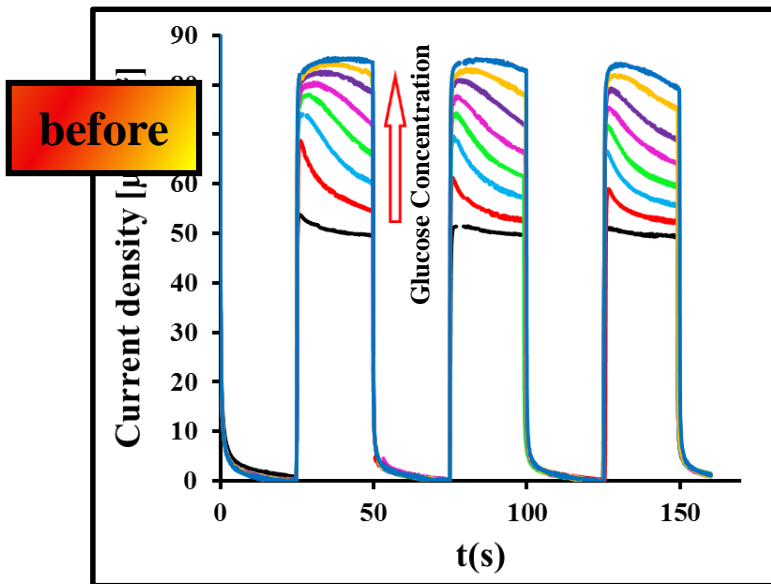
Graphene Oxide
(0.338 mg/ml)

S-GO
(0.675 mg/ml)





TNAs/Graphene

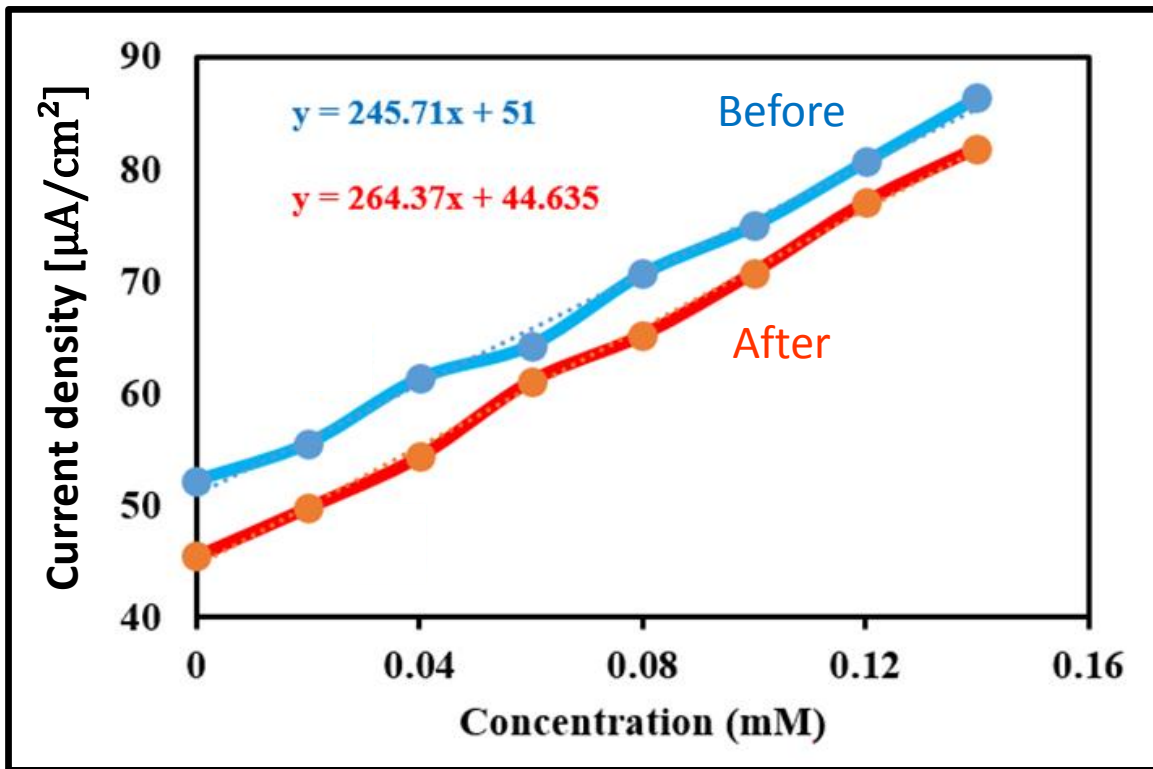


12% Improvement





TNAs/Graphene Oxide

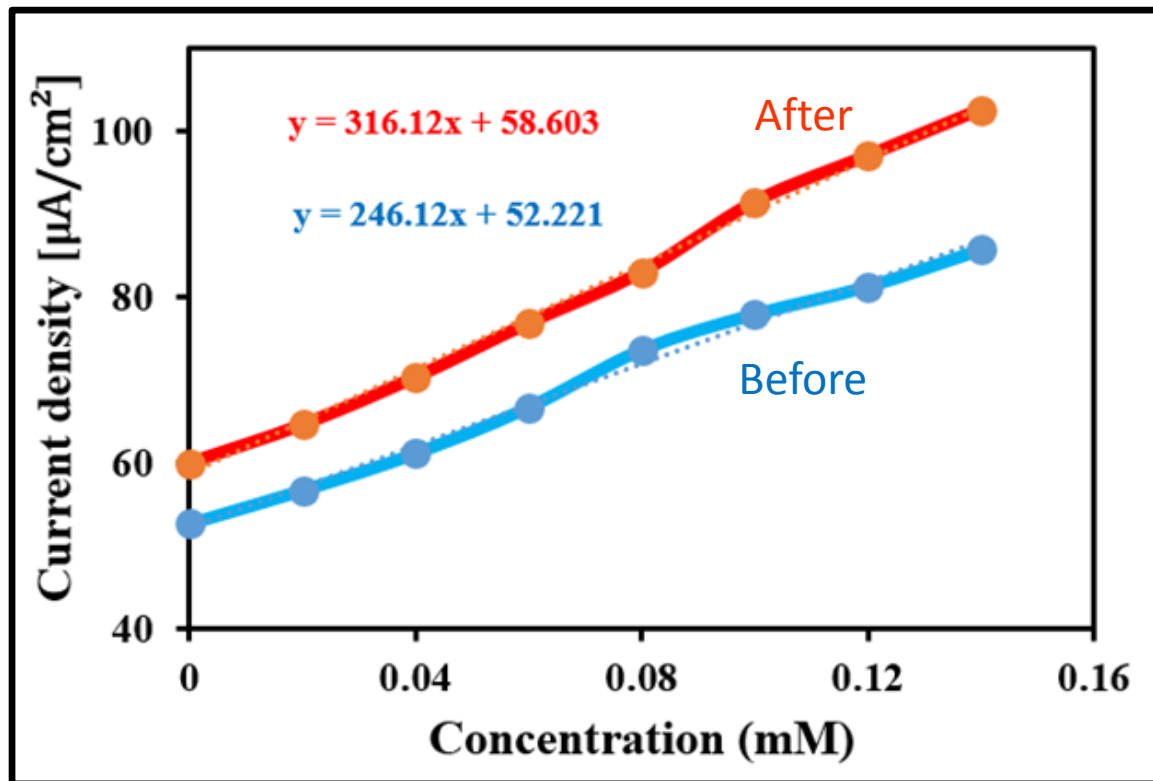


7.6% Improvement





TNAs/S-GO

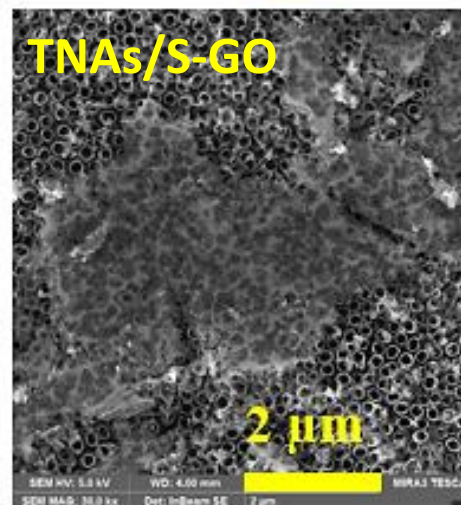
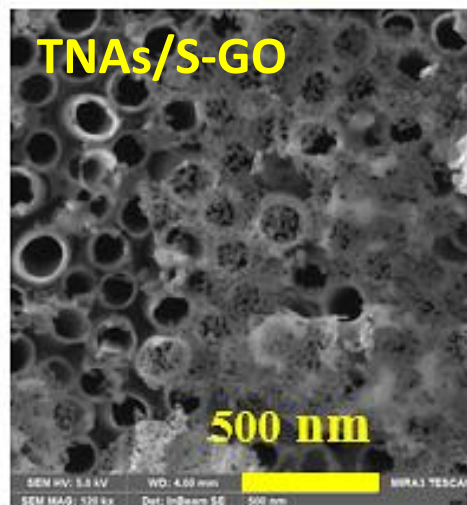
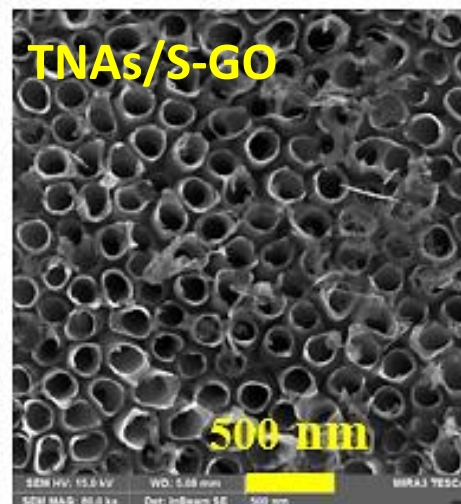
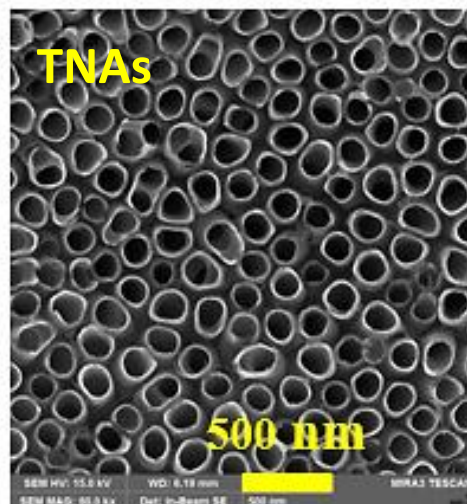


28.5% Improvement



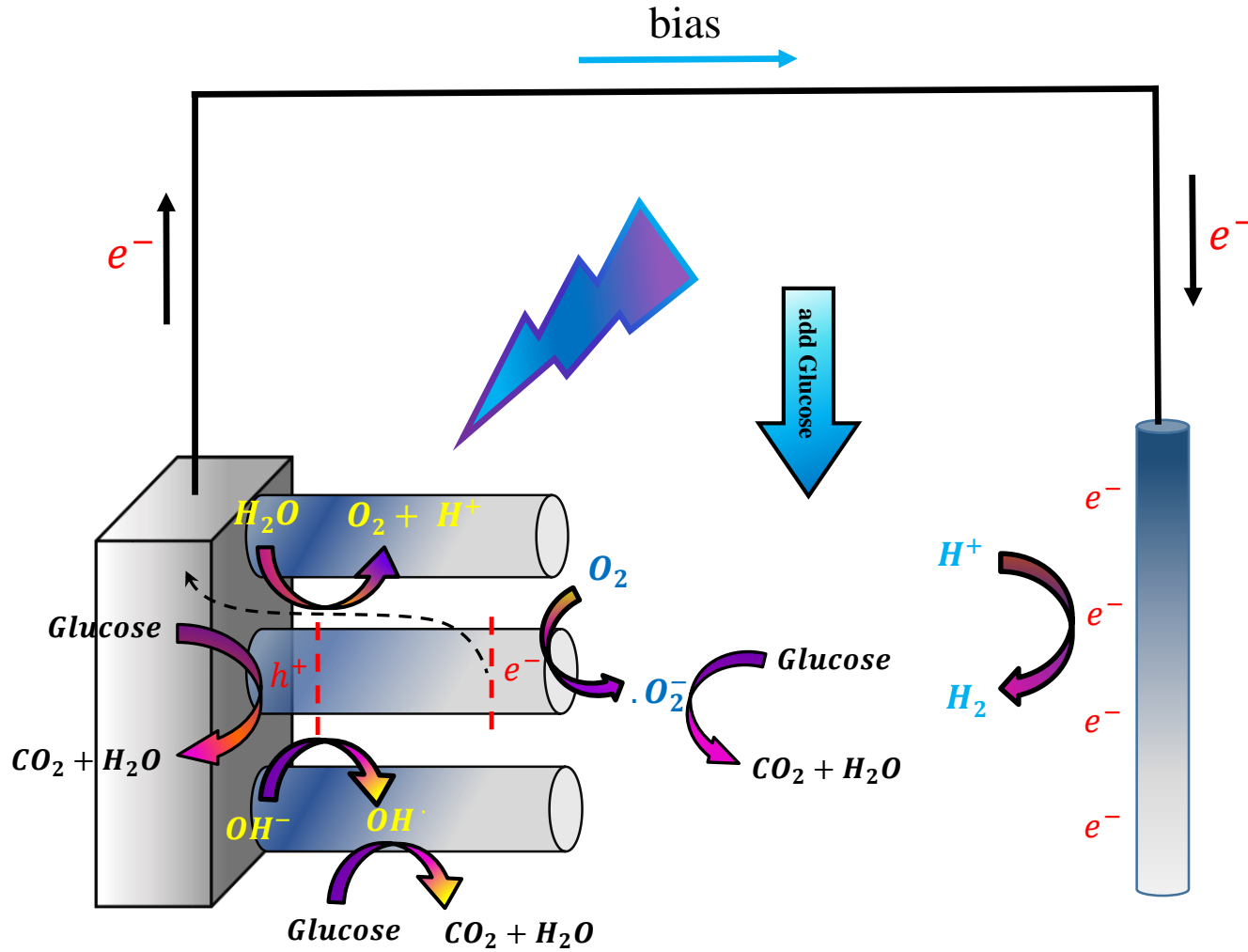


Surface Morphology



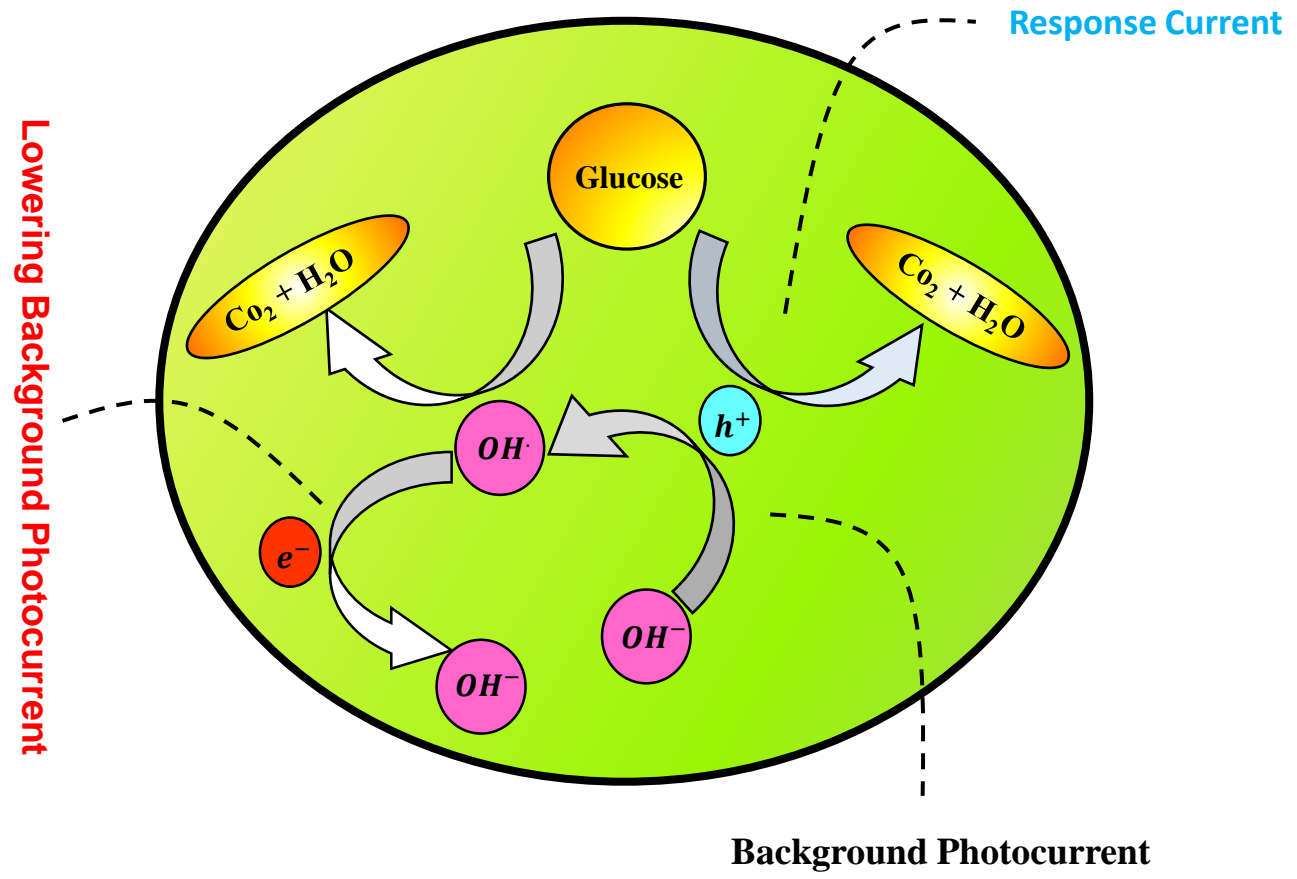


Glucose Sensing on TNAs





Effect of 2D Material

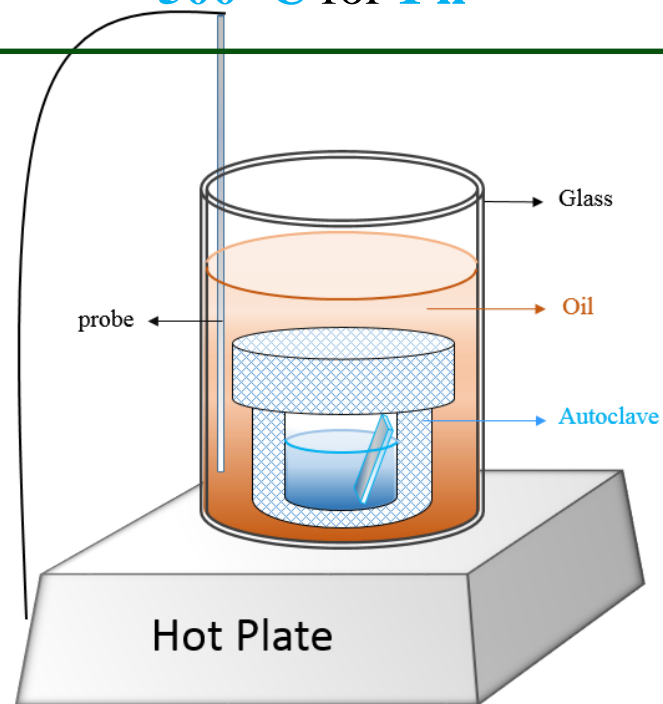
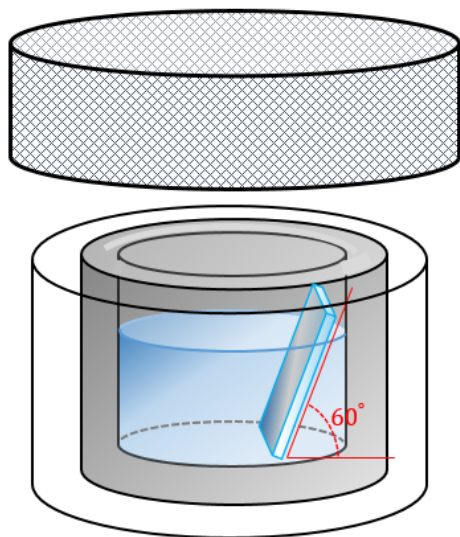




TNW Preparation

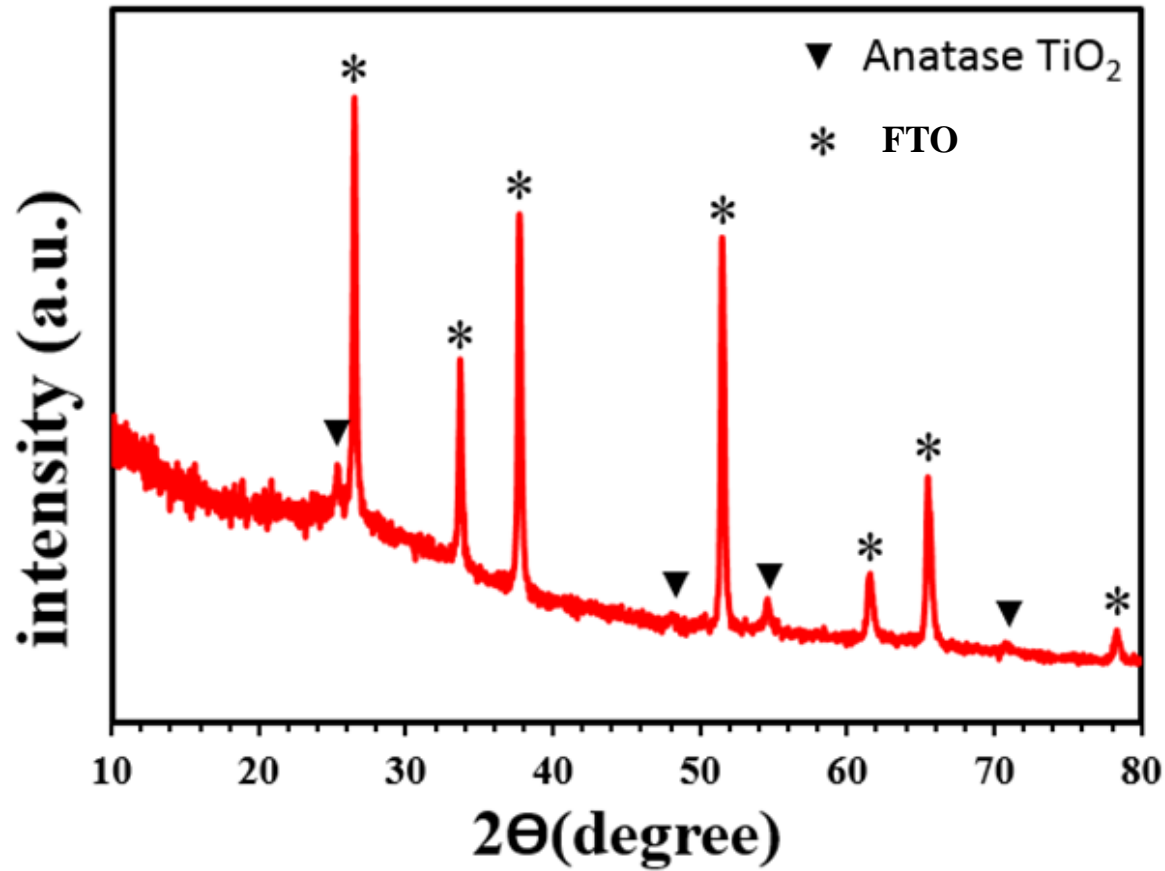


- ✓ **Solution:** DEG, Water and PTO
- ✓ **Hydrothermal Temperature:** 200 °C
- ✓ **Hydrothermal Time:** 6h and 11h
- ✓ **Heating:** 500 °C for 1 h





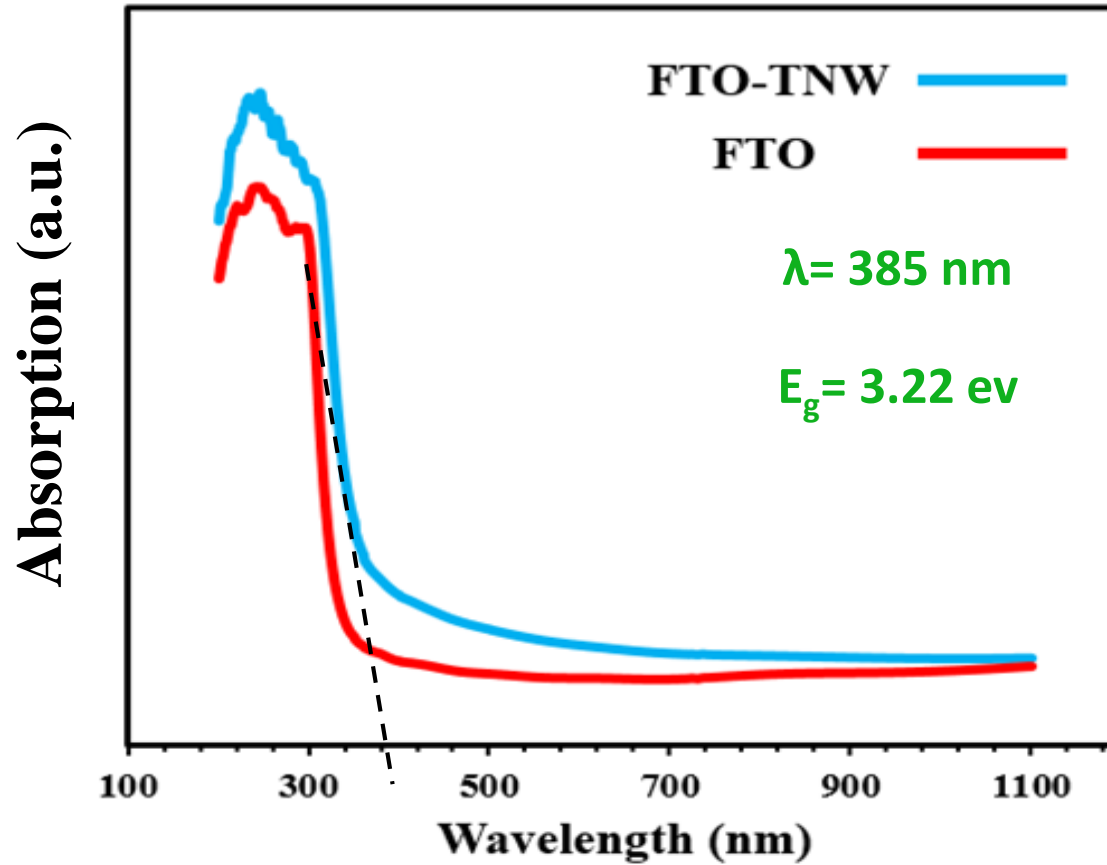
Crystalline Structure



XRD pattern of TNW

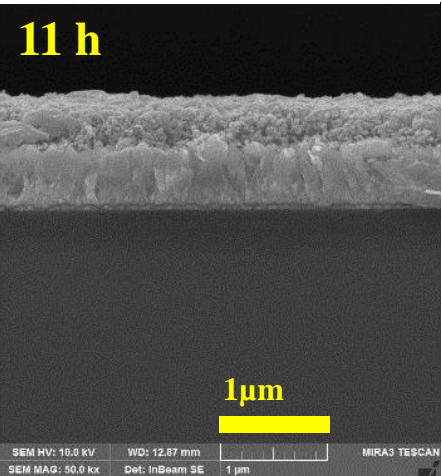
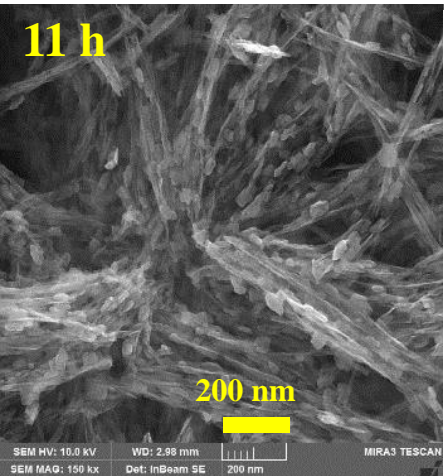
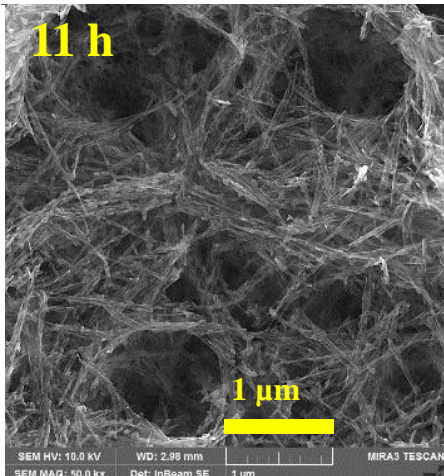
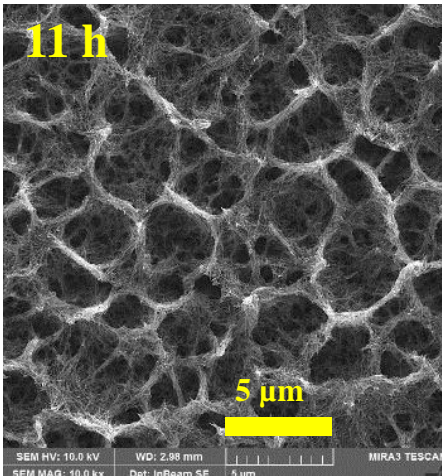
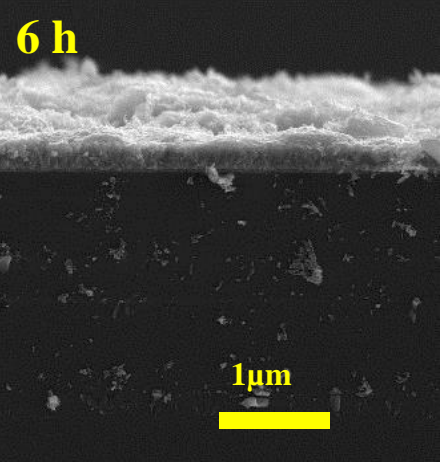
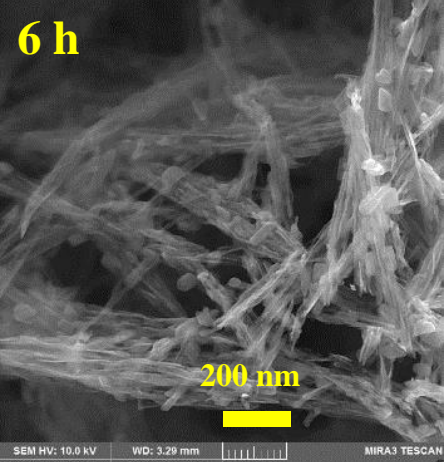
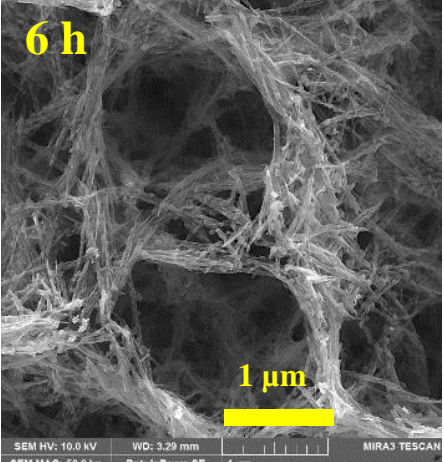
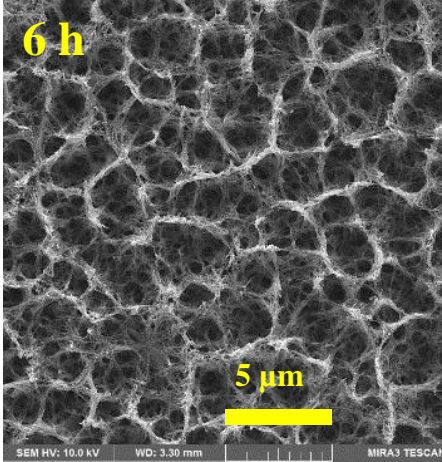


Optical Absorption





Surface morphology

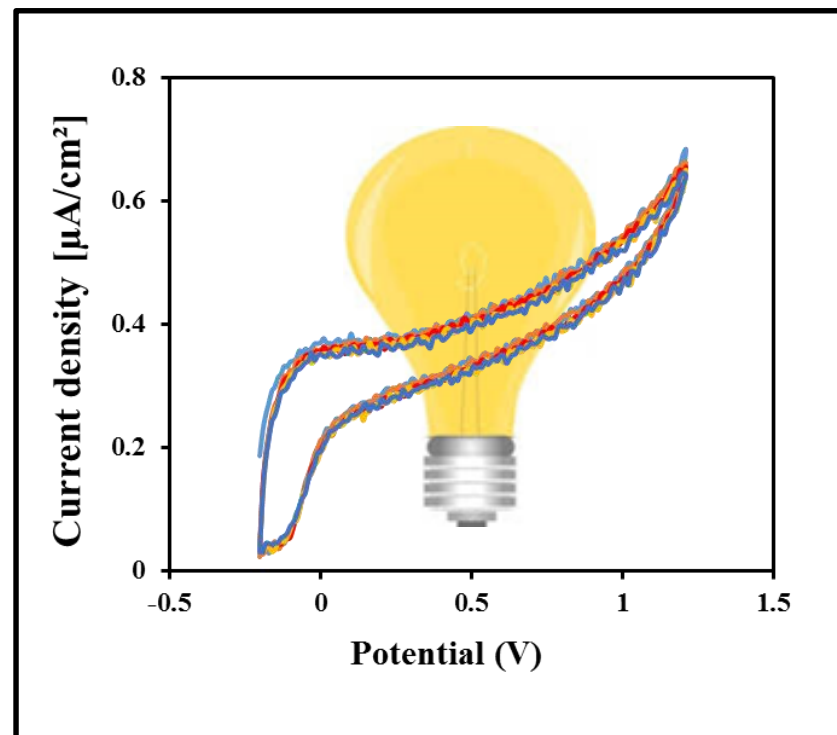
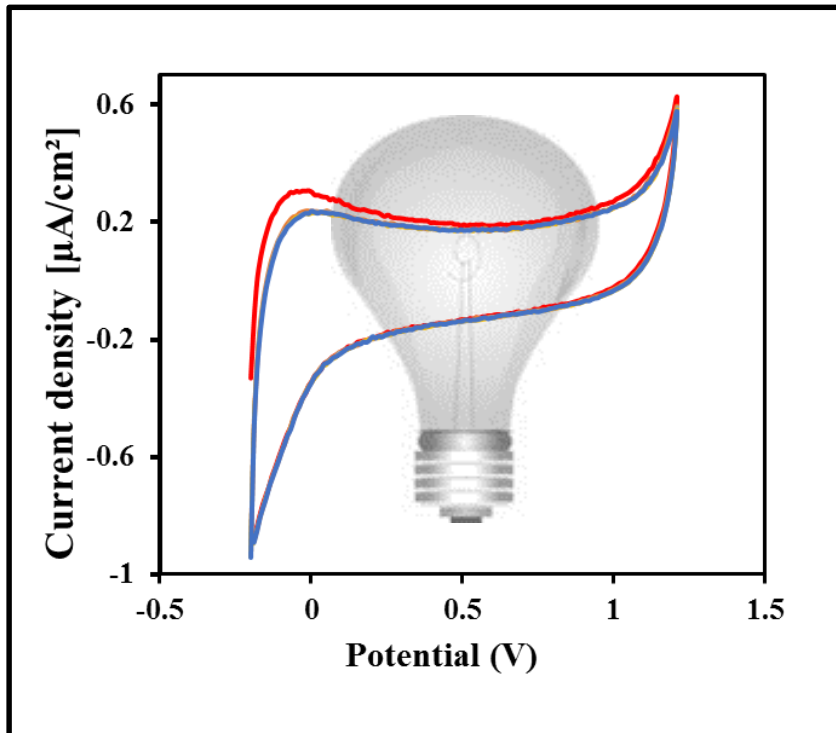


Hydrothermal time did not change the surface morphology of wire

Wire Thickness: 80 nm
Bead Size: 65 nm

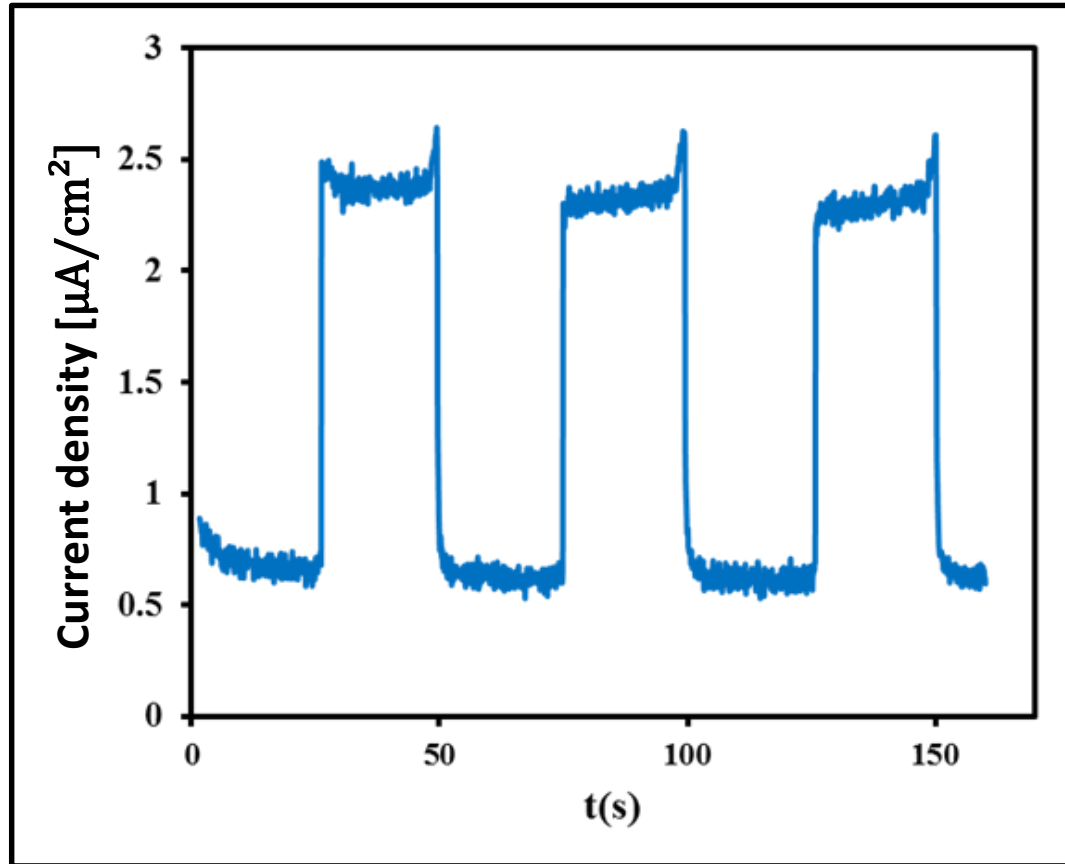


Photoanode Stability



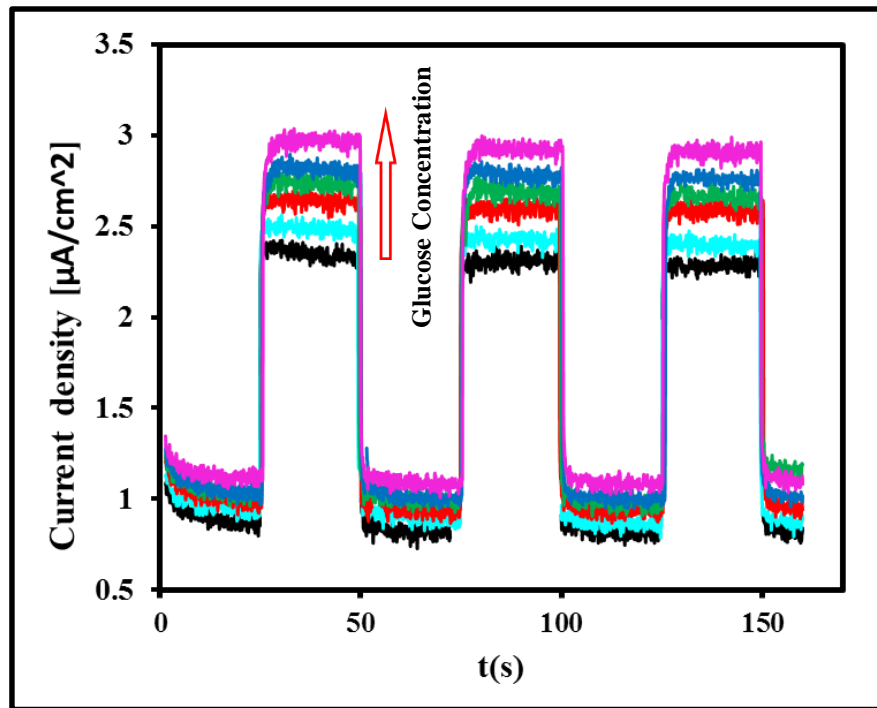


Photocurrent Response

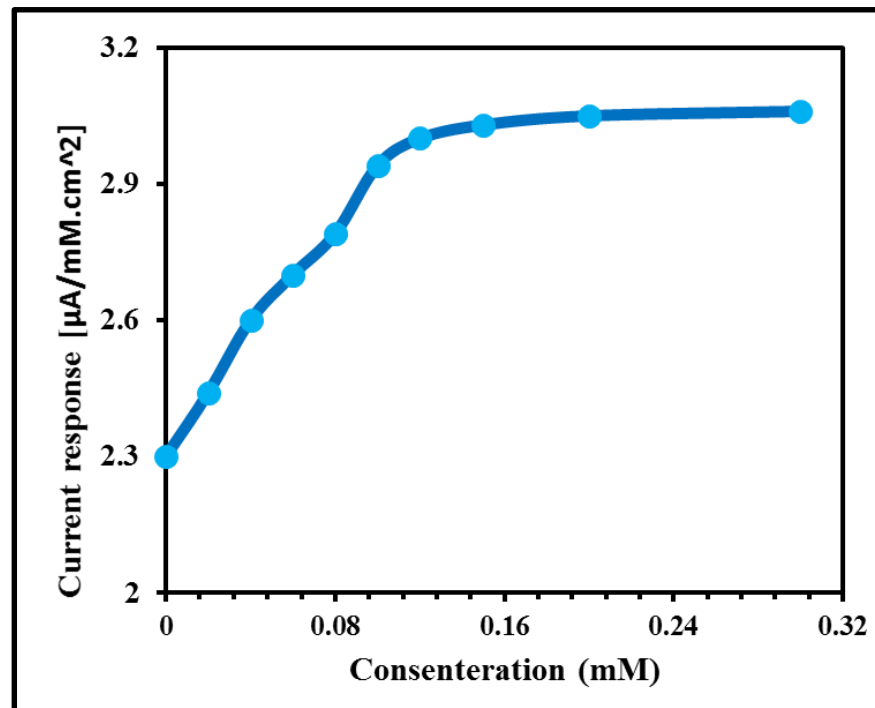




PEC Glucose Detection



$$\alpha = 6 \mu\text{A}/\text{mM}\cdot\text{cm}^2$$





Conclusion



Optimum TNAs Growth Condition: →

2h Anodization
Annealing in Air

TNAs

Sensitivity Factor about $245 \mu\text{A}/\text{mMcm}^2$ →

More than Similar Works

Modification by 2D Material →

Improvement of Sensitivity

Low
Detection
Limit

TNW

Branched TNW

- Low PEC Performance
- Low PEC Sensitivity
- Low Stability

Reproducibility



Outlook



TNAs

Optimizing Diameter and Wall Thickness of Tubes

Modification by Graphene Oxide and Important Electrocatalyst Composition

Trying other precursors and Substrates

Trying other Preparation Methods

TNW

Sensing

Trying other Active Species



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PEC sensing of glucose using one dimensional TiO_2
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