

## **Анотація**

### **Хеморезистивний сенсор сірководню на основі легованого графену**

Представлений високочутливий та селективний сенсор сірководню на основі графену. Сенсор був зроблений простим шляхом, що включає у себе декорацію графену срібними наночастинками методом хімічного осадження для того щоб значно підвищити продуктивність H<sub>2</sub>S газового датчика. Легування металічним сріблом графену, вирощеного з газової фази було досягнуто зануренням в водний легуючий розчин AgNO<sub>3</sub> та Fe(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> при перемішуванні, що привело до адсорбції графеном наночастинок срібла та заряджених домішок. Це металеве легування сріблом привело до адаптації електронних властивостей графену і він показав різку зміну питомого опору при наявності H<sub>2</sub>S газу у порівнянні з нелегованими зразками.

Властивості детектування H<sub>2</sub>S газу легованим графеном систематично досліджувались, щоб виявити структурні, морфологічні та композиційні властивості зразків, використовуючи аналітичні інструменти, такі як дифракційна рентгенівська спектроскопія, просвічувальна електронна мікроскопія, скануюча електронна мікроскопія та рентгенівська фотоелектронна спектроскопія.

Легований графен здатен детектувати газ сірководню вибірково та повторно, з межею виявлення ~ 100 частинок на мільярд, протягом 6 хв. Механізм, за допомогою якого датчик відчуває наявність газу заснований на зміні щільності носіїв заряду в той час як з поверхні сенсору додаються або віднімаються носії заряду під час впливу сірководню.

**Ключові слова:** Графен, хеморезистивний датчик, графеновий датчик сірководню, легування графену, легування наночастинками срібла

## **Abstract**

### **“Highly sensitive chemiresistive H<sub>2</sub>S gas sensor based on graphene decorated with Ag nanoparticles and charged impurities”**

Chemiresistive sensors based on the materials which change its electrical properties because of the changing of the nearby chemical environment. This class of chemical sensors rely on direct chemical interaction between analyte and the sensing material. The chemical interaction between the sensing material and the analyte can be by covalent bonding, hydrogen bonding, or molecular recognition. Several different types of materials have chemiresistive properties: conductive polymers, metal oxide semiconductors, and nanomaterials like graphene, nanotubes and nanoparticles.

A typical chemiresistor consists of a sensing material that bridges the gap between two electrodes or coats a set of interdigitated electrodes. Thus, the resistance between the electrodes can be easily measured. The sensing material has an inherent resistance that can be modulated by the presence or absence of the analyte. During exposure, analytes interact with the sensing material. These interactions cause changes in the material’s resistance. In chemiresistors, the resistance changes are proportional to the amount of analyte present. This allows to measure the amount of analyte present.

Herein, we report a highly sensitive and selective H<sub>2</sub>S gas sensor based on graphene decorated with Ag nanoparticles (AgNPs) and charged impurities fabricated using a simple wet chemical method. Doping of chemical vapor deposition–grown graphene was achieved by 4 min immersion in an aqueous solution of AgNO<sub>3</sub>/Fe(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> followed by decoration with adsorbed AgNPs and charged impurities. The above AgNPs were formed by reduction of Ag<sup>+</sup> ions, since the Ag<sup>+</sup>/Ag<sup>0</sup> reduction potential is higher than that of Fe<sup>3+</sup>/Fe<sup>0</sup>.

The above treatment changed the electronic properties of graphene, achieving a dramatic resistivity change in the presence of H<sub>2</sub>S gas by generating surface sites for its

adsorption and dissociation and thus allowing real time H<sub>2</sub>S level monitoring at ambient temperature with an immediate response.

Doped graphene was demonstrated to selectively and repeatedly sense H<sub>2</sub>S gas within 6 min, with the limit of detection being below 100 ppb. The corresponding mechanism is thought to feature a charge carrier density change or graphene to adsorbate charge transfer, with the sensor surface trapping or releasing electrons upon exposure to H<sub>2</sub>S gas.

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