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### **1S-1**

### In silico catalyst design for fuel cells

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Oxygen-reduction reactions (ORR) are basic reactions in electrochemistry and are closely related to the cathodic reactions in proton exchange membrane fuel cells (PEMFCs), where one  $O_2$  molecule is reduced to two  $H_2O$  molecules on Pt or Pt alloy particles that act as electrocatalysts. Minimizing Pt particle size has been a key to the development of electrocatalysts for PEMFCs because it helps make the best use of the precious metals such as Pt by maximizing the surface-to-volume ratio of the particles, and the minimum Pt particle size is currently 2 nm (about 300 atoms). Calculations based on density-functional theory (DFT) have suggested that the minimum size of the Pt particle size deserves consideration because the behavior of adsorption energies on an atom or clusters comprising only a few atoms is quite different from that on clusters comprising dozens of atoms.

In this study, DFT calculations were done to find metal dimers that catalyze  $O_2$ reduction [2]. A metal dimer embedded in a graphite sheet with a six-membered-ring carbon vacancy was treated as a model electrocatalyst structure. First, dimers suitable in terms of stability and electrocatalysis were selected from among Ni<sub>2</sub>, Ru<sub>2</sub>, Pd<sub>2</sub>, Pt<sub>2</sub>, and Au<sub>2</sub>. Under the assumption that the efficiency of electrocatalysis is estimated by the  $O_2$  and O adsorption energies on the dimmers, Pt<sub>2</sub> and Pd<sub>2</sub> were selected. Then a series of first-principles molecular dynamics (FPMD) simulations was performed to confirm electrocatalysis of Pt<sub>2</sub> with regard to  $O_2$  reduction. Pathways that lead to  $H_2O$  are normal and favorable, while pathways that lead to HOOH are unfavorable. It was found that  $O_2(ads)$ , OOH(ads), O(ads), and OH(ads) can be respectively reduced to OOH(ads), HOOH, OH(ads), and H2O. It was noted that HOOH formation on the  $Pt_2$  is quite different from the ORR on Pt(111) where an FPMD simulation of ORR on Pt(111)/H<sub>2</sub>O interface showed that OOH(ads) spontaneously and immediately decomposed into O(ads) and OH(ads) after the first reduction of O<sub>2</sub>(ads) to OOH(ads) completed [3]. This difference was attributed to the bond breaking reaction energy of  $OOH(ads) \rightarrow OH(ads) + O(ads)$ : The reaction on Pt<sub>2</sub> is endothermic, while that on Pt(111) is exothermic. Further improvements in the catalyst model are needed if we are to find a pathway from HOOH to H<sub>2</sub>O or to cause 4e- reduction from O<sub>2</sub> to H<sub>2</sub>O without intermediate formation of HOOH.

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Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) offer unique properties such as highest current density, ultra-high thermal conductivity, ballistic transport along the tube and extremely high mechanical strength with high aspect ratio of more than 1000. Because of these remarkable properties, they have been expected for use as future wiring materials to solve several serious problems of conventional Cu interconnects, for examples, electro-migration, high resistance, heat removal and fabrication of a small-sized via in future LSIs. In this paper, we report present status of Multi-walled CNT (MWNT) growth technologies and the potential of metallic CNT vias. In particular, we demonstrate our original catalytic nano-particle technique for the diameter and density control growth of MWNTs. We were able to lower the MWNT growth temperature to 400°C, which meets the requirement to avoid thermal damage to LSIs. We have succeeded in forming a 40-nm-diameter via with the MWNT density of 9E11/cm2, which is the highest density ever reported. The electrical properties of the CNT vias fabricated by our damascene process which is mostly compatible with conventional Cu interconnects are also discussed. From the temperature dependence of via resistance, we discuss the possibility of ballistic transport in CNT vias. Our low-temperature planar CNT via technologies are very promising for the achievement of low-resistance scaled-down CNT vias in future LSIs beyond hp32nm technology node.

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### Applications of Nanodiamond Hydrogels Toward Biology and Medicine

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Nanodiamonds serve as a versatile class of nanomaterials with significant advantages that can be applied toward drug delivery and cellular interrogation with unprecedented capabilities. Their high surface area-to-volume ratio enables therapeutic loading capacities that are several times higher than existing methodologies (e.g. liposomes, polymersomes), and their aspect ratios and stability confer an innate biocompatibility to the diamond particles that generate an amenable response when interfaced with surrounding biological material. This study demonstrates the application of nanodiamonds toward the treatment of cancer and inflammation using multiple form factors that include particle, film, and devicebased methodologies. Because of the unique nature of the onset and progression of diseases that include cancer, inflammation, etc., a suite of strategies that include widespread (particle), as well as localized (device, film) drug elution enable versatile clinical responses. Therefore, this work aims to realize nanodiamonds as foundational materials for nanoscale medicine.

Chemotherapeutic-functionalized nanodiamond particles were fabricated through the interaction of Doxorubicin hydrochloride (Dox) with water-suspended nanodiamonds. Dox is a clinically relevant chemotherapeutic that displays a systemic, or generalized form of activity that induces apoptosis, or cell death in healthy as well as diseased cells. Therefore, the ability to deliver Dox in a controlled manner may result in increased treatment efficacy with reduced patient side effects. We have demonstrated the ability to controllably switch Dox release and adsorption, and therefore functionality via controlled interactions with the nanodiamond surface. Furthermore, as Dox is a cytotoxic element with a DNA fragmentation-based readout, laddering assays confirmed the ability of the nanodiamonds to preserve and facilitate drug delivery and activity upon multiple cell lines including Raw 264.7 murine macrophages as well as the HT-29 human colorectal cancer cell line. Comprehensive examination of cellular reaction toward bare nanodiamonds served as a biocompatibility assessment, where inflammatory gene expression levels of interleukin 6 (IL-6), inducible nitric oxide synthase (iNOS), and tumor necrosis factor alpha (TNFalpha) were quantified via real time polymerase chain reaction (RT-PCR). As inflammation can generate complications against chemotherapy by supporting the spread of cancer, or counteracting therapeutic activity, the observed maintain basal levels of these signaling elements confirmed the biocompatibility of the nanodiamonds.

We have also utilized poly-1-lysine, a cationic protein, to template the deposition of nanodiamond thin films to serve as localized drug delivery platforms. Dexamethasone (Dex) is a potent antiinflammatory that was used to functionalize the diamond films. Through a binding process with a cytoplasmic glucocorticoid receptor, a subsequent nuclear translocation of the receptor-drug complex enables the suppression of inflammatory gene expression. Following the characterization of multi-layered nanodiamond-drug hybrids, RT-PCR studies demonstrated a potent reduction in the expression of IL-6, iNOS, and TNFalpha levels. Furthermore, basal expression levels of cells cultured on glass and bare diamond films revealed no increase in inflammatory gene expression, further confirming the innate biocompatibility of the nanodiamond films. Subsequent studies will be elucidated to explore opportunities in using vapor-deposited polymers to package the nanodiamond matrices to generate tangible drug delivery devices for applications in directed and sustained therapeutic efficacy. These capabilities are expected to impact a broad range of medical fields including cancer, cardiovascular medicine, orthopedics, neurosurgery, and beyond. This in turn confirms the importance of the introduction of nanodiamonds as a transforming technology for nano-engineered medicine.

### **2S-4**

# The structures of endohedral metallofullerene by the systematic structural studies from SR powder diffraction data.

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Endohedral metallofullerenes have attracted much interest during past decades due to their characteristic structural and electrical properties [1]. The recent findings of various kinds of metal carbide encapsulated fullerenes by <sup>13</sup>C-NMR and X-ray analysis have provided further information on the characterization of endohedral metallofullerenes. Importantly, several kinds of di-metallofullerenes have been re-characterized as C<sub>2</sub> encapsulated metallofullerenes,  $(M_xC_2)@C_n$ , since the discovery and synthesis of C<sub>2</sub>-encapsulated metallofullerenes. Furthermore, the recent experimental results of ion mobility, UV-vis-NIR absorption, and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR stude for metallofullerenes have indicated that many of di- and tri-metallofullerenes have possibilities of C<sub>2</sub> encapsulation.

The precise structural information has provided the basis for understanding the physical properties and growth mechanism of metal-carbide endohedral metallofullerenes. An X-ray structural study is suitable for the structural characterization of endohedral metallofullerene. Several structures of C<sub>2</sub> endohedral metallofullerenes such as  $(Sc_2C_2)@C_{84}$ ,  $(Sc_2C_2)@C_{82}(III)$ ,  $(Sc_3C_2)@C_{80}$ , and  $(Y_2C_2)@C_{82}(III)$ , have been determined by the X-ray structural analysis. The positions of encapsulated atoms from these results always have shown a complicated multiple disorder structure. The disorder structure prevents a determination of precise structural information.

Under these circumstances, the systematic structural studies have to be done for revealing precise structural information, which will provide a clear understanding of structural differences. Recently, we have carried out the series of structural study for  $(M_xC_2)@C_n$  metallofullerenes by using synchrotron X-ray powder diffraction data at SPring-8. The structures of more than ten kinds for  $(M_xC_2)@C_n$  metallofullerenes will be presented.

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### **Chemical Modification of Carbon Nanohorns**

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Carbon nanohorns (CNHs) represent a largely unexplored carbon allotrope within the family of fullerenes and nanotubes. The unique structural features of CNHs include the presence of five 5-membered rings at one terminal tip forming a highly strained cone. Three are the critical points that differentiate CNHs from nanotubes, namely, i) purity, due to the absence of any transition metal nanoparticles during production, ii) heterogeneous surface structure, due to highly-strained conical-ends and iii) aggregation in spherical superstructures, typically ranging between 50-100 nm.<sup>1</sup>

The chemistry of CNHs has been only recently started to emerge, while their chemical modification is expected not only to advance their manipulation by introducing the desired solubility but also to fundamentally contribute on the study of their solution properties.

Herein, I will present recent results from our group on the chemical modification of CNHs. Briefly, CNHs can be functionalized by i) covalent attachment of organic units onto their skeleton <sup>2-7</sup>, and ii) non-covalent supramolecular, van der Waals, pi-pi stacking and/or coulombic electrostatic interactions with aromatic planar and/or charged organic moieties <sup>8-10</sup>. Moreover, functionalization of CNHs can be performed either at the highly-strained conical-tips or at the side-walls.<sup>11-14</sup>

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# Electronic and Photo-electrochemical Functions of Fullerene-Metal Complexes

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Conversion from solar energy to electric energy is most important issue for life and many efforts have been devoted to create the solar cells. Fullerene is one of intriguing materials to construct photocurrent conversion cells, because it shows multiple redox events and long-lived excited state upon photo-absorption. We have reported the synthesis of transition metal-penta(organo)[60]fullerene complexes  $M(C_{60}R_5)L_n$  (M = metal atoms; R = Me, Ph, *etc.*; L = organic ligands). A series of iron complexes, buckyferrocenes Fe(C<sub>60</sub>R<sub>5</sub>)Cp is a compact and rigid donor-acceptor system, which undergoes reversible multiple reduction and oxidation on the fullerene and ferrocene parts. It should be noted that if these unique materials can be immobilized at an electrode surface, many intriguing devices should be created. We herein report on preparation self-assembled monolayers (SAMs) of buckyferrocenes on indium tin oxide (ITO) electrodes (Figure 1), and discuss photocurrent generation properties of this SAMs.



Figure 1. Self-assembled monolayer of buckyferrocenes.

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### **Review of Nanotechnology R&D in NEC**

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In order to build a convenient IT Society, NEC has grappled with R&D for nanotechnology as a fundamental technology for advanced IT/NW system, and has worked on the development of high-performance and energy-conscious devices with nanotechnology. And also, NEC has made significant accomplishments in the field of nanotechnology since the late 1980's. These include discovering a carbon nanotube (CNT), the solid-state devices for quantum computers and so on. In this presentation, I would like to introduce some of our nanotechnology – future LSI technology, CNT application, Si photonics for IT/NW breakthrough, and the vision and value of nanotechnology in NEC.

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# Phonon softening effect on Raman G-band spectra of metallic single wall carbon nanotubes

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In the metallic single wall carbon nanotubes, one of the two G-band Raman spectra is known to be soft which is now generally understood by Kohn Anomaly. Recently, Farhat et al. reported Raman spectroscopy of individual metallic carbon nanotube in which the G+ band becomes soft and level crossing between G+ and G- Raman signal is observed as a function of the Fermi energy position. Further the Rama spectral width depends on the Fermi energy position, too. The experimental results clearly show that the electron-phonon interaction gives a finite life time of carrier and that we expect both the frequency shift and spectra broadening effect by the electron-phonon interaction when the Fermi energy matches to the Dirac cone, K point in the two dimensional Brillouin zone.

In order to investigate the phonon softening effect, we calculated the phonon self energy due to the electro-phonon interaction in which the real part of the self energy gives the frequency shift of the phonon and the imaginary part of the self energy gives the broadening of the phonon spectra. The electro-phonon interaction is calculated by the extended tight-binding calculation method which reproduced well the chirality and diameter dependence of resonance Raman intensities. The calculated phonon spectra as a function of the Fermi energy reproduce well the experimental results of phonon softening phenomena.

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### Electroabsorption spectroscopy in single wall carbon nanotubes

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We have performed electroabsorption (EA) spectroscopy on micelle-wrapped single-wall carbon nanotubes (SWNT) to clarify the excited-level structure. In EA experiments, the change of absorption induced by applied electric field is measured. The electric field mixes one-photon allowed states and two-photon allowed states, so that the two-photon allowed states can be observed in the absorption measurement.

The sample was thin films of SWNT(HiPco)/SDBS embedded in gelatin. The film was formed onto an ITO/SiO<sub>2</sub> substrate, and then a semitransparent Al electrode was fabricated on the film. We applied alternating electric field (electric field  $17 \sim 85 \text{kV/cm}$ , frequency *f*=1kHz) between the two electrodes and measured the change of absorption using the lock-in method.

In fig.(a), we show the absorption spectra in the  $E_{11}$  region. In fig. (b), we show the EA spectra and their electric-field dependence. The intensities of EA signals are

proportional to the square of the electric field. The shapes of EA spectra are not dependent on the intensity of electric field. These facts indicate that the EA signals come from electric field effects on discrete levels such as exciton levels. Most of the peaks and valleys seen in the EA spectra are reproduced by the second derivative curves (fig.(c)) of the absorption spectra. Second-derivative-like EA spectra are obtained in the case that there are two nearly degenerate discrete levels. Therefore, we assigned one to one-photon allowed "bright" exciton and the other to two-photon allowed "dark" exciton.

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# Photoluminescence brightening through the direct transition from isolated to bundled freestanding single-walled carbon nanotubes

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Photoluminescence (PL) brightening is clearly observed as a result of the direct transition from isolated to bundled morphology in the case of using vertically-, and individually-freestanding single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) as a starting material prepared by diffusion-plasma chemical vapor deposition. Figure 1 shows the time trace of photoluminescence excitation (PLE) map from as-grown freestanding SWNTs. With an increase in the passage time after the growth, the intensity of (6,5) and (7,6) peaks drastically decrease, and in contrast, originally-broad peak intensities become obviously strong. This increment of quantum yield of SWNTs PL is explained in terms of the exciton energy transfer through the tube bundles. Since the low quantum yield of individual SWNTs PL is considered to be the critical disadvantage restricting their industrial application, the bundle engineering with standing nanotubes will be a potential candidate for realizing the superior optoelectronic device fabrication.



Figure 1: Time evolution of the PLE map measured just after the growth (a), at 1h (b), 3.5h (c), 7.5h (d), and 10h (e), respectively. All data are plotted on the same color scale.

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## Multiexciton recombinations and exciton fine structures studied by a single carbon nanotube photoluminescence spectroscopy

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The electronic properties of single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) have attracted a great deal of attention. The characteristic optical properties of SWNTs are determined by the dynamics of excitons with extremely large binding energies due to the strong Coulomb interaction. It is also expected that the strong Coulomb interaction would enhance the many body effects of excitons. The spectroscopic observation of a single carbon nanotube is a useful to understand the dynamics and many body effects of excitons in SWNTs [1-3].

We studied the temperature and excitation power dependence of photoluminescence (PL) spectra from spatially isolated single SWNTs using a single nanotube spectroscopy [3]. It is found that the linewidth of the observed narrow PL spectrum corresponding to homogeneous linewidth (Fig. 1(a)) arises from the exciton-dephasing with consideration of exciton lifetime of 30 ps [4]. The PL linewidth linearly decreases with decreasing temperature, which implies that the exciton-dephasing is dominated by the interaction between the exciton and the phonon mode with very low energy. In the high excitation conditions using femtosecond laser pulses, the homogeneous linewidth broadens nonlinearly with an increase in excitation intensity as shown in Fig. 1(b). Our observation suggests that the broadening of homogeneous linewidth arises from the annihilation of excitons through a rapid Auger recombination process. The



Fig.1 (a) and (b) PL spectra of a single carbon nanotube at 30 K.

multiexciton dynamics and exciton fine structures will be discussed.

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# Optical and electrical properties of semiconducting SWNT extracted using polyfluorene

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The production of pure semiconducting single-wall carbon nanotubes (s-SWNT) is essential in several areas such as basic research, standardization and applications (FET transistors, optoelectronic devices, sensors). Significant progresses were already achieved using for instance DNA, density-gradient concentration and polymer wrapping to extract s-SWNT from "as-produced SWNT powders".

Very recently, s-SWNT were extracted with polyfluorene (such as Poly(9,9-di-*n*-octyl-fluorenyl-2,7-diyl)) in toluene solution assisted by sonication/centrifugation methods [1], using the conditions we have already described for poly(phenylene-vinylene) (MEHPPV) and polythiophene (P3OT) [2].

In this study, we have optimized the centrifugation conditions in order to selectively extract near-armchair semiconducting while totally discarding metallic nanotubes. Clear evidences were obtained by photoluminescence (Fig.1), optical absorption (Fig. 2), Raman as well as by electrical measurements. At this symposium, very interesting optical and electrical properties from such pure semiconducting SWNT will be presented.



Fig. 1: Photoluminescence map of SWNT(HiPco)-PFO

Fig. 2: Optical absorption of SWNT(HiPco)-PFO

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### Three dimensional effects in the boron-doped carbon nanotubes

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Carbon nanotubes are considered to be attractive materials for nanoscale electronic device in the next generations. To control the transport properties including superconductivity[1], boron doping will play an important role. So far, we have clarified the effect of boron doping in the isolated single walled carbon nanotubes[2]. However, to discuss the experimental situation and the possibility of superconductivity, it is inevitable to consider the three dimensionality such as bundles of the carbon nanotubes or multiwalled carbon nanotubes. Thus we study the effect of inter-layer interaction in the bundled or multiwalled carbon nanotubes using the density functional theory.

Here, we take (10,0) carbon nanotubes as a typical semiconductor tube and consider the bundles of (10,0) carbon nanotubes. It is found that the peak of the density of states in the isolated carbon nanotubes will remain in the bundles of carbon nanotubes though its height is decreased by three dimensional effect. We discuss the change of the Fermi level density of states by the inter-layer interaction. We also consider the double-walled carbon nanotube, (10,0)@(19,0), where borons are doped only in the inner tube and discuss the charge transfer effect.

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Fig 1 Bundle of carbon nanotubes studied.



Fig 2 Double walled carbon nanotube studied.

# **Conductivity Enhancement of Boron-Doped MWNTs Synthesized from Methanol Solution Containing Boric Acid**

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Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) with high conductivity are required for a variety of applications, such as a conducting film, an electrically-conductive coating, a probe of SPM, and nanowirings inside LSI, while increasing the conductivity of the CNTs has not been realized yet by chirality control.

In this study, we have introduced conduction carriers into multi-walled carbon nanotubes (MWNTs) by boron-doping to enhance the conductivity. When considering boron-doped diamond<sup>[1,2]</sup> and graphite<sup><math>[3]</sup>, the boron was expected to provide the</sup></sup> conduction carriers effectively for the carbon allotropes. We have synthesized

boron-doped MWNTs by our CVD method which uses a methanol solution of boric acid as a source material. The boron-doped MWNTs were synthesized from the source solution containing 1.0 atm% and 2.0 atm% of the boron.

Figure 1 shows Raman spectra of the boron-doped MWNTs. A position of a G-band shifts systematically to higher Raman shift side with increasing a boron concentration. This indicates that a carbon site was substituted by the doped boron in the MWNTs. On the other hand, broadenings of both the G and D-bands were originated from inhomogeneity of the boron and defects in the MWNTs.

Figure 2 shows temperature dependence of normalized conductivity  $\sigma/\sigma_{\rm RT}$  of the boron-doped MWNTs, where  $\sigma_{RT}$  is the conductivity at room The conductivity of each individual temperature. MWNT was measured by four-point method from room temperature to 2 K. The four electrodes were fabricated on a target individual MWNT by using electron beam lithography technique. The  $\sigma/\sigma_{\rm RT}$  was enhanced over wide temperature range by increasing Fig. 2 Temperature dependence of  $\sigma/\sigma_{RT}$ . the boron concentration. The doped boron provides the conduction carriers for the MWNT effectively increasing the conductivity.

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### **Recent progress of study of carbon-nanotube superconductivity**

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**Abstract:** Superconductivity (SC) in carbon nanotubes (CNTs) is quite interesting issue from many standpoints; e.g., 1. From physics of one-dimensional (1D) SC, 2.from electron correlation in 1D conductors, 3. as recently found carbon-related new-superconductor family (CaC<sub>6</sub> and boron-doped diamond), and 4. From possibility of high-T<sub>c</sub> SC (~40K). We reported SC in arrays of multi-walled CNTs (MWNTs) for resistance drop with the highest  $T_c = 12K$  [1] and its correlation with contact structures between metal electrode and MWNTs. After then, based on the report, many theories for the CNT-SC have been proposed and are attracting considerable attention; e.g., 1.Carrier doping effect in MWNTs and phase transitions [2], 3.Carrier doping effect in (10,10) single-walled CNTs [3], and 4. Correlation between SC and edge state [4].

Here, we have had progress in the experiments after reporting ref.[1]. In the talk, I will introduce recent some experimental results of the MWNT-SC; i.e., 1. Meissner effect with  $T_c = \sim 20$ K in the honey comb array structure of alumina template [5], 2. Interplay between SC and Tomonaga-Luttinger liquid states in partially end-bonded MWNTs [6], 3. Confirmation of presence of boron in the MWNTs by NMR [6]. Moreover, I will briefly talk about Meissner effect found in sheets of boron-doped single-walled CNTs synthesized in controlled doping manner [7].

SC in CNTs is promising. Realizing higher T<sub>c</sub> is highly expected.

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## Local electronic structure of a carbon nanotube on metal surface

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### Abstract:

The scanning tunneling microscopy (STM) study shows that the nature of the interface between a nanotube and a metal surface induces a charge transfer that directly rules the doping level of nanotubes. Whereas it is known that SWCNT on Au(111) are p-doped, we found that it is possible to produce n-doped SWCNT on Cu(111). Additionally, we show that the reconstruction pattern of the Au(111) surface is responsible for periodic oscillations in the electronic structure of adsorbed nanotubes.

The early STM experiments on SWCNT have provided highly valuable details on their structure and their related electronic properties. However, little attention was given to the effect of the adsorption to a metal substrate, and basically only Au(111) surfaces

were used. Here we propose systematic investigations on the interaction of a SWCNT with the well defined Au(111) and Cu(111) metal surfaces. The nanotubes were deposited in situ via a vacuum-compatible dry contact transfer (DCT) technique which provides surfaces free of impurities as shown in Fig.1.



Fig.1 STM images of a single CNTs adsorbed on (a) Au(111) and (b) Ag(100) single crystal surfaces.

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### Long-Ranged Bandgap Modulation of SWCNT on Ag(100)

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When metal/single-walled carbon nanotube (SWCNT) interface is formed, charge transfer between metal and SWCNT occurs and the position of SWCNT Fermi-level is shifted by local electrostatic potential perturbation. Most STM or STS of SWCNT have been measured on Au (111) surface so far, and the Fermi-level shifts of about 0.2eV to the valence band on gold have been reported experimentally and theoretically [1, 2]. In this study, we investigated the electronic structure of SWCNT on Ag (100) surface by STM and STS at low temperature (4.7K). Ultra-clean SWCNT on silver surface were prepared by dry contact transfer (DCT) technique [3]. The STS results showed that the Fermi-level of SWCNT was shifted to the conduction band, since the work function of Ag (100) (4.4eV) is much smaller than that of Au (111) (5.3eV) and that of SWCNT ( $4.8 \sim 5.0$ eV). In addition, we observed that the periodic modulation developed on semiconducting (6, 2) SWCNT over whole length (~300nm). Interestingly, we could observe bandgap modulation of same period from spatially-resolved STS mapping. Considering the chirality and unit cell of SWCNT, the period of modulation showed a good epitaxial relationship between SWCNT and Ag (100) in this configuration. The amount of charge transfer depends on the atomic distance between carbon and silver atom. Thus, the shift of bandgap might be enhanced for the atoms having a good epitaxial relationship. At the peak positions of the height profile, the bandgap was shifted downwards (to the valence band), which implies that carbon and silver atoms have a better epitaxial configuration at these locations.

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# First Principles Calculations for Electronic Properties of Diffusing Oxygen Atoms on the Surface of Graphene and Nanotubes

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Recent experiments showed the potential ability of graphene not only nanotubes as a electronic devices with small size and high performance[1]. However, it is well-known that the behavior of oxygen drastically change the electronic properties of such devices due to the high accumulation of electrons and further destruction of graphitic sp2 network. Thus, the properties of oxygen atoms on the graphitic surface is one of the most important issue for future device applications of nano graphitic materials.

Here, we performed first principles calculations for oxygen diffusion on the surface of graphene. The epoxy (bridge) position (Fig.1(a)) is the most stable for chemisorption, and on top position (Fig.1(b)) has 0.89 eV higher energy than epoxy structure. We found that the insertion of an oxygen atom into a C-C bond does not form the stable structure when a periodic unitcell is used, although the insertion structure was claimed to be stable for cluster calculation[2]. We have also studied oxygen diffusion on carbon nanotubes and will discuss the electronic properties and the chirality dependent anisotropic diffusion.



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### Field Emission Properties of Single-Walled Carbon Nanotubes with a Variety of Emitter-Morphologies

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A number of issues are important for future CNT-FED development: (I) A low-temperature and/or short-time growth directly on cathodes through simple and safe processes, (II) a giant tip-enhancement of an applied field and (III) a uniform spacial current distribution, that is, a large number density of emission sites resulting in a mild current per emitter. We focus here on SWNT-emitters prepared using alcohol catalytic CVD (ACCVD)<sup>1</sup>. Prior to application of ACCVD for device fabrication, suitable catalyst compositions to promote a rapid growth of high quality SWNTs and the FE properties of the obtained SWNTs must be systematically studied. We report field emission properties of SWNT-emitters with different morphologies and discuss their potential for FED-applications.

SWNT-emitters were prepared on Si substrates with Co/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> layers through ACCVD, which realizes a reaction time of 10 s to grow a 4  $\mu$ m-thick SWNT film. FE properties of SWNTs are tunable by the morphological control of the top-surface (Fig. 1). For a textured Si cathode with well separated SWNT-bundles (Fig. 1d), the turn-on electric field to extract a current density of 1  $\mu$ A/cm<sup>2</sup> was 2.4 V/ $\mu$ m, and a current density of 0.8 mA/cm<sup>2</sup> was recorded at 4 V/ $\mu$ m. Large area uniformity of luminescence (0.5 cm<sup>2</sup>) was also obtained. Protrusion of emitters is crucial and the optimization of number density, protrusion length and inter-protrusion distance is necessary for uniform field emission and increased operating life. Texturing of substrates effects a large and selective field enhancement at specific protrusive emitters. Currently, SWNTs prepared from ethanol via a fast and safe process showed field mission characteristics suitable for electron sources.



Fig. 1. Cross-sectional SEM micrographs and pictures of luminescence from the rear surface of the anode at 3.3 and 4.1 V/ $\mu$ m; (a) VA-SWNTs, (b) CNT-grass, (c) VA-SWNTs on Si pyramids and (d) free-sanding bundles on Si pyramids.

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# Magnetoresistance of the Metallic Nanotubes observed by Contactless Method

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### Abstract:

We have observed the magnetoresistance of the highly-oriented single-wall nanotubes (SWNT) film by contactless method. At 4.2 K, The magnetoresistance increases linearly up to 14 T when the magnetic field is applied along the tube axis. This is different from the results observed in a SWNT film (non-oriented), which shows a negative magnetoresistance or saturation at high magnetic field [1, 2]. In general, the transport properties of the SWNT are difficult to evaluate since there is a high contact resistance between the electrodes and SWNT. Therefore, we have employed the cavity perturbation techniques (contactless method) [3], which eliminate the problems of the contact resistance for the transport measurements of SWNT. Using this technique, no electrode is needed, and we can obtain the high-frequency conductivity of the SWNT by just comparing the Q factor and the resonance frequency of the cavity with and without the sample. We believe that the observed positive magnetoresistance is an intrinsic behavior of the SWNT, which is due to the Aharonov–Bohm effect of the metallic nanotubes. The angular dependence and the temperature dependence will also be presented, and the results are discussed.

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### Influence of surrounding materials on heat conduction of carbon

### nanotubes: Molecular dynamics simulations

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Characterization of thermal properties of single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) is a key issue for their prospective electrical and thermal device applications. An SWNT is expected to be a good heat conductor with the extraordinary long phonon mean free paths [1-3]. As a result, phonon transport exhibits complex diffusive-ballistic feature for realistic nanotube-length in many applications even at room temperature. This gives rise to unique steady and unsteady heat conduction characteristics [4-8]. Especially, the length effect of the thermal conductivity or conductance [4,5,8] has caught particular attentions due to its practical importance and there are ongoing discussions on the scattering dynamics of long wave phonons and the effect of low-dimensional confinement.

Although the characteristics of intrinsic heat conduction of SWNTs have been explored extensively for ideal thermal boundary conditions, in practical situations, interfacial heat transfer between SWNTs and heat sinks/sources is expected to determine the overall heat transfer performance. Such interfaces not only give rise to thermal boundary resistances but also influence the intrinsic heat conduction. In a system with significant contribution from ballistic heat transport, the intrinsic phonon distribution function and thus effective heat conduction is expected to depend strongly on the mode-dependent scattering dynamics at the interfaces. In the current study, this aspect is explored by using equilibrium and non-equilibrium molecular dynamics methods. The boundary scattering and its influence on the heat end of the h

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Figure 1. (5, 5) SWNT surrounded by matrix

# Specific Surface Area Measurement for Purity and SWNT Selectivity Analysis

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As the development of carbon nanotube (CNT) technology is reliant upon the availability of CNTs, a great effort has been placed on the improvement of single-walled carbon nanotube (SWNT) synthesis. As a result, a number of groups have reported significant advances in the *efficient* and *highly pure* synthesis of tall SWNT forests (ref) which suggest the possibility for mass production (1-4). However, the techniques for the simple and accurate assessment of the purity and SWNT selectivity trail far behind the ability to synthesize it. Historically, Raman spectroscopy and transmission electron microscopy (TEM) have been the tools which provided qualitative and quantitative assessments. However, both techniques are limited in terms of sampling amount, interpretation, and the need for a skilled operator.

Here, we present the use of specific surface area (SSA) analysis using the Brunauer, Emmett, and Teller (BET) method as a simple and accurate tool of assessing the purity and selectivity of SWNT samples. Sensative to both properties, BET-SSA analysis provides an indispensable tool for the simple, fast and accurate evaluation of macroscopic (10s mg) samplings of SWNTs.

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# Chirality Dependence on Destabilizing Agents Added to CMC-stabilized Carbon Nanotube Dispersions

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Dispersing carbon nanotubes (CNTs) in solution is important for both academic and industrial researches and various methods have been reported. One of the common methods is to ultrasonicate CNTs in water with the presence of stabilizing chemicals, such as sodium dodecyl sulfate (SDS) and sodium carboxymethyl cellulose (CMC). We have reported that dispersing efficiency is improved by additions of antifoam agents, such as an oligomer of polyether (PE-M), to the ultrasonicating SDS mixture [1]. PE-M eliminates air bubbles and foams to allow the ultrasonic wave to reach CNT surfaces more efficiently. Also, we have shown that ultrasonication on SDS mixture in air promotes sonochemical reactions of gaseous nitrogen and oxygen with water to yield acid species. This results in lowering of pH, which protonates CNTs with the consequence that absorption and Raman spectroscopic characters of metallic and thick semiconducting CNTs are altered.

PE-M is designed as an antifoaming agent for SDS in water. We have found that although PE-M acts as an antifoaming agent for CMC, it does not improve dispersing CNTs. In fact, continued additions of PE-M destabilized CMC-stabilized CNT dispersion and CNTs coagulated at higher PE-M concentrations. Unlike SDS case, the solution pH remained nearly constant over one hour of ultrasonication. Thus, no protonation of CNTs occurred in the case of CMC.

We have monitored Raman spectra as CMC-stabilized CNT dispersions were destabilized by CMC. Coagulated CNTs were collected by centrifugation and the supernatant was analyzed. Intensities of both RBM and G-bands were reduced because less CNTs could be in the supernatant. Interestingly, each peak in RBM was not reduced uniformly and the reduction rate (the relative reduction of peak intensities at a given CMC concentration) depended on chirality. Also, the line shape around G-band changed depending on the CMC concentration.

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### **Electrochemical and Diameter-selective Cutting of Carbon Nanotubes**

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Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) are expected to be highly potential in various applications such as electronics and nano-medical devices. In these applications, the length of CNTs is one of the most important structural parameters, since it affects on their dispersibility (and processability, as well). Many researchers have been reported mechanical [1] and chemical [2,3] cutting processes of CNTs.

Herein, we report a novel method for cutting single-walled CNTs (SWCNTs) by electrochemical oxidation reaction on the surface of anodic SWCNT electrode. The optimized cutting voltage was estimated to be 10V for the SWCNTs with wide average diameter of 1.8 nm and the cutting reaction could not be observed at below the optimized voltage (see Fig. 1). On the other hand, it has been found that the narrow SWCNTs (mean dia.: ca. 0.9 nm) were cut at lower voltage (4V) than that of the wide ones abovementioned. This result indicates the possibility of the diameter-selective cutting in our electrochemical method.

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Fig. 1. TEM images of SWNTs electrochemically treated at **A** 6V and **B** 10V.

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# Bending deformation of carbon nanotubes caused by a five-seven pair couple defect

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Carbon nanotubes are promising building blocks for construction of nanosized electronic and electromechanical devices due to their mechanical and electronic properties. Therefore an investigation of plastic deformation and formation of structural defects that are caused by mechanical deformations such as bending deformation is important. Recently, Nakayama *et al.* reported that double-walled carbon nanotubes (DWNTs) were deformed plastically by an application of electric current under bending deformation [1].

We have carried out tight-binding molecular dynamics simulation for the DWNTs under bending deformation in the previous study [2]. As the result, structural defects named 5-7 pair couple defect were formed by atom emission and these defects were thermally and energetically stable. Thus, our results indicate that the 5-7 pair couple defects are responsible for the origin of the plastic deformation. In the present study, to investigate the characteristics of the 5-7 pair couple defect which were formed in single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs), their stable structure and binding energy were analyzed.

Figures 1 (a) and (b) show a removed chain cluster of atoms and a 5-7 pair couple defect in a (8,8) SWNT. For various numbers of removed atoms, stable structure of the defective SWNT was obtained by structural optimization. The bending angles of (8,8) nanotubes are plotted as a function of the number of removed atoms in Fig. 1 (c). Figure 1 (d) shows that the schematic figure of the nanotube with the maximum bending angle and the 5-7 pair couple defects which were formed after removing 14 atoms. Moreover a dependence of bending angles on the diameter of nanotubes was investigated. As results, it was confirmed that the structure of the nanotube with these several kind of defects corresponded to the experimental results.



Figure 1: (a) Removing eight atoms and (b) 5-7 pair couple defect in the (8,8) nanotubes, (c) bending angle as a function of the number of removed atoms and (d) stable structure of the (8,8) nanotube that contains the 5-7 pair couple defect which were formed after removing 14 atoms.

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# Scanning Tunneling Spectroscopy Mapping of a Single Lu@C<sub>82</sub> on Alkanethiol Self Assembled Monolayer

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#### Abstract:

Endohedral metallofullerenes are one of the candidate materials for nanoelectronics and spintronics applications due to their unique electronic and magnetic properties which associated with the charge transfer interaction between the encapsulated metal atom and a fullerene cage[1]. We demonstrated that single endohedral metallofullerene orientation switching phenomena by introducing alkanethiol self-assembled monolayer(SAM) as interlayer to control the interaction between endohedral metallofullerene and metal substrate.[2, 3] To realize molecular switching device by using endohedral metallofullerene, it is important to characterize the local electrical properties of single endohedral metallofullerenes.

Here, we report the local electrical properties of Lu@C<sub>82</sub> molecule on heptanethiol SAM by scanning tunneling microscopy(STM) images and scanning tunneling spectroscopy(STS) mapping. From high-resolution STM images of Lu@C<sub>82</sub> at 65 K, we observed the stripe structure which indicates that Lu@C<sub>82</sub> molecules on heptanethiol do not rotate freely. Then we measured STS at different 64 points on a single Lu@C<sub>82</sub> molecule on heptanethiol at 65 K. From differential conductance (dI/dV) spectra, we observed two peaks centered at -0.5 V and 1.0 V which correspond to HOMO and LUMO energy levels, respectively. HOMO peak intensity shows a spatial dependence. We discuss the relationship between the molecular orientation and the spatial dependence of HOMO peak intensity. By considering the effective applied voltage in double barrier tunnel junction, we also estimate that the intrinsic HOMO-LUMO gap of Lu@C<sub>82</sub> and the Fermi energy level shift of Lu@C<sub>82</sub> on heptanethiol.

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#### Estimation of the amounts of transferred electrons in Lu-entrapped Metallofullerenes

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Ultraviolet photoelectron spectra (UPS) of  $C_{82}$  endohedral fullerenes containing Lu atom(s) have been measured with synchrotron radiation light source. Principally the spectra are almost identical with those obtained with the endohedral fullerenes with the same cage symmetry. Usually entrapped metal atoms donate electrons and the amounts of transferred electrons have been deduced by either experimentally or theoretically. Lutetium 4f electron levels can be observed in our present UPS. The position of 4f7/2 level varies from 9.46 eV (Lu<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>82</sub> isomers), 9.70 eV (Lu<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>82</sub> isomers) to 9.86 eV (Lu@C<sub>82</sub>(I)). This shift is induced by the difference in the charge on Lu atom(s), that is, chemical shift, and can be a good indication for amounts of transferred electrons to the cage.

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So far, we have studied paramagnetic <sup>13</sup>C NMR shifts of Ce<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub> and CeLa@C<sub>80</sub> to clarify a magnetic property of encaged Ce<sup>3+</sup> [1,2], which has a 4f electron. Recently, we have reported <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of Pr<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub> [3], in which Pr<sup>3+</sup> has two 4f electrons, and compared them with those of Ce<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub> and CeLa@C<sub>80</sub>. In this study, we report the production and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of LaPr@C<sub>80</sub>, and analyze the temperature dependence of paramagnetic <sup>13</sup>C NMR shifts of Pr<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub> and LaPr@C<sub>80</sub>.

Fig.1 shows the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of MM'@C<sub>80</sub> (M, M'=La, Pr) in CS<sub>2</sub>. As shown in Fig.1, the six peaks were assigned to La<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub>, Pr<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub>, and LaPr@C<sub>80</sub>, respectively. The peaks of Pr<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub> and LaPr@C<sub>80</sub> show temperature dependence due to the magnetic moment of encaged Pr<sup>3+</sup>. Detailed analysis of paramagnetic <sup>13</sup>C NMR shift of Pr<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub> and LaPr@C<sub>80</sub> will be discussed in the presentation.



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Metal-carbide encapsulated metallofullerenes have attracted special interest because of encapsulation of the C<sub>2</sub> unit together with several metal atoms. Recently, it was revealed that the structure of the dimetallofullerenes such as  $Sc_2C_{84}(III)$  and  $Y_2C_{84}(III)$  is not normal  $M_2@C_{84}$  type, but  $M_2C_2@C_{82}$  type encapsulated the metal carbide by <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectral determination[1, 2], single crystal[3] and powder X-ray diffraction analyses[4,5]. Moreover, it is confirmed that  $Y_2C_{84}(I, II)$  have metal-carbide encapsulated  $Y_2C_2@C_{82}$  structures by <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectral determination[2]. However, the structures of  $Sc_2C_{84}(I, II)$  have not been verified.

We herein report that the structure of  $Sc_2C_{84}(II)$  is also not  $Sc_2@C_{84}$  but  $Sc_2C_2@C_{82}$ , which has the  $C_{82}(C_{2\nu})$  cage, by means of <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectral analysis and theoretical calculations. We have succeeded in X-ray single-crystal structure analysis of pyrrolidinometallofullerene  $Sc_2C_2@C_{82}(II)(CH_2)_2NTrt$  (Trt = triphenylmethyl).



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### Discovery of the atomic-carbon-insertion reactions for fullerene growth

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We have synthesized carbon monoxides  $C_n O$  and fullerene  $C_{70}$  from C<sub>60</sub> by the atomic-carbon-insertion reactions (ACIRs) Fig.1 [1]. Atomic carbon of :C "jump" into CC bonds cleavage of the overall without molecular structure and without significant side reactions. The ACIRs seem to be involved in at least two processes of fullerene formation, that is, in the formation of the soot precursors and of the small carbon clusters n<40.



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range of 9 to 30 clusters, Cox and Fig.1. The atomic-carbon-insertion reactions (ACIRs)

co-workers observed a periodic alteration in the ion signal amplitude every four atoms, with maxima at n = 11,15,19,23, and 27 and minima at n = 13,17,21,25, and 29. On other hand, Achiba and co-workers observed strong signals at n = 10,14,18, and 22 [3], these preferential evaporations are also observed by the photodissociation which is reminiscent of the Hűckel rule 4n+2 for aromaticity [4]. They are interpreted by the ACIRs as follows:

$$C_{10(14,18,22,26...)} \xrightarrow{:C} C_{11(15,19,23,27...)} \xrightarrow{:C} C_{12(16,20,24,28...)} \xrightarrow{:C} C_{13(17,21,25,29...)}$$

Many authors suggest that the precursor of the fullerenes are soot [2b,3b,5]. Achiba and co-workers found that the mass spectra of fullerenes, emerge at lowest fluence, were observed even if only soot targets were exposed by the laser light [3b], and a certain exothermic process occurred related to the formation of fullerenes [3c]. We have efficiently created soot in the photolysis of  $C_3O_2$  at 1000°C, where atomic-carbons were only active chemicals and can cause the ACIRs. The ACIRs are efficient because they are abundant and their activation energy is zero or low. Atomic-carbon has much higher formation enthalpy than  $C_2$  and can release the surplus energy in the formation of the sp<sup>2</sup> bond, which makes the following rearrangements and degradations easier. Therefore, the ACIRs are overwhelmingly efficient especially under rather unfavorable conditions such as the soot formations. These facts strongly suggest that the soot precursors are formed by the ACIRs.

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### Chemical modification on a non-IPR metallofullerene: $La_2@C_{72}$

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*Abstract*: La<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>72</sub> was previously proposed to have a non-IPR cage structure of either #10611 or #10958 by <sup>13</sup>C NMR measurements.<sup>[1]</sup> Theoretical calculations indicated that the cage of #10611 is energetically more stable,<sup>[2,3]</sup> but unambiguous experimental results are still lacking. In this work, a carbene reagent was adopted to functionalize La<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>72</sub>. Monoadducts were successfully isolated and characterized with various kinds of measurements, including single-crystal XRD method, which unambiguously presented that La<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>72</sub> takes the  $D_2$  symmetric carbon cage of #10611, with two pairs of fused-pentagons.



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### Physical Properties of H<sub>2</sub> Endohedral C<sub>60</sub>

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The physical properties of atoms or molecules encapsulated inside nano-size cages have been one of the very intriguing scientific issues. For performing experiments in order to have reasonable insight to this issue, a large scale synthesis of such materials is needed. Recent success in macroscopic scale production of hydrogen-molecule endohedral  $C_{60}$  using a molecular surgery method in chemistry has opened a door to a scientifically realistic research stage.

Using this advanced elegant chemical reaction method, pure  $H_2@C_{60}$  was prepared in a 10 mg scale, which affords one to carry out specific heat experiments as a function of temperature ranging from 300 K down to 0.085 K using a <sup>3</sup>He/<sup>4</sup>He dilution refrigerator. The excess heat capacity appearing in  $H_2@C_{60}$  above 5 K, when it compared to that of  $C_{60}$ , can successfully be analyzed in terms of the contributions of the localized vibrations and the free rotational motions of the encapsulated hydrogen molecule. In the low temperature region, another heat capacity anomaly was found around 0.6 K with the excess entropy of about 0.75*R*ln3, and the origin can be rationalized by considering the splitting of the rotational energy level of hydrogen molecule. The results indicate that the rotational ground state (J = 1) of the ortho-hydrogen should be split due to the lower symmetry of  $C_{60}$  than that of the high temperature phase above the rotational phase transition at 260 K. The  $H_2@C_{60}$  system has also been tested for observation of superconductivity. These measurements are very important to discuss phonons in solid state physics.

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## Pressure-Induced Structural Phase Transition of Two-dimensionally polymerized C<sub>60</sub>

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Since the discovery of polymerization of solid  $C_{60}$  (fcc  $C_{60}$ ) [1,2], polymer phases of solid  $C_{60}$  have attracted a lot of attention. As a polymer phase, three phases proposed by Núñez-Regueiro *et al.* are well known: the 1D orthorhombic, the 2D orthorhombic ('tetragonal'), and the 2D rhombohedral phases [3,4]. These polymer phases are interesting targets for pressurization since there is a possibility that another polymer phase might be synthesized by pressuring one of them. A variety of studies motivated by this idea have been performed [5,6]. Recently, it was reported that a 3D polymer phase was synthesized by pressuring the 2D orthorhombic phase [7]. The single crystal X-ray structure analysis revealed that the product possessed the body-centered orthorhombic lattice, and the structural model derived from the Rietveld refinement was also presented.

In the present work, we first performed the constant-pressure molecular dynamics (MD) study of the 2D orthorhombic phase for pressure range about experimental condition (12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28 GPa). In all pressure conditions, the 2D orthorhombic phase transformed into a three-dimensional polymer phase. Most of all structures obtained from the MD calculation possess the lattice in which C<sub>60</sub> molecules form the body-centered orthorhombic lattice. Moreover, the lattice constants are all relatively close to the experimental values [7]. In addition, the obtained structures were found to have almost the same covalent-bond network. However, there is a little difference in the bonding pattern of the direction of a short edge of the conventional cell. In the obtained structures, C<sub>60</sub> molecules on a diagonal line of the conventional cell are connected in the same manner as the experimental model, and those on a middle edge are connected with two covalent bonds (horizontal four-membered ring). Furthermore, those on a short edge are also connected with four to six covalent bonds. Next, we performed the LDA analysis for one of the obtained structures. Covalent-bond network of the obtained structure is mostly preserved through the geometry optimization in the LDA. It is also found that the lattice constants are still close to the experimental values. In addition, it is clarified that the obtained structure is metal from the electronic density of states.

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Molecular transport through nano-sized pores in a film, membrane, or wall structure is an event of fundamental importance in a number of physical, chemical, and biological processes. However, there is a lack of experimental methods that can obtain molecular-level information on the structure and orientation of the molecules at the time of transportation, and on the way that molecules interact with pores.

We recently demonstrated that time-resolved, near-atomic resolution imaging by transmission electron microscope (TEM) provides a powerful method to study the structural changes of single organic molecules in motion.<sup>[1]</sup> Here, we report that the TEM methodology can image in what structure and orientation hydrocarbon chains pass through a nano-sized pore on carbon nanotubes (CNTs), and how they interact with the pore. Such information thus far was unavailable for the investigation of molecular transportation phenomena.



*Figure.* (A) The structures of the sample molecules. (B) Sequential TEM images of alkenyl fullerene **1** encapsulated in CNT as a function of time with the corresponding molecular models shown directly below. The figure captions refer to the time after initiation of observation. Scale bar shows 1 nm. The arrow shows the position of the pore on the sidewall of the CNT. (C) TEM image of alkyl fullerene **2** in CNT (shown in left). A simulation and the corresponding model are shown on the right-hand side. Scale bar shows 1 nm.

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### Synthesis of Pd-filled carbon nanotubes for the tip of SPM

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Recently growth of metal-filled CNTs has been reported and their characteristics have been investigated<sup>1)</sup>. Since the metal-filled CNT is expected to provide larger radial rigidity, higher mechanical and thermal stability than the conventional hollow nanotube, it would be suitable for the tip of scanning probe microscopy (SPM). Here we report synthesis of Pd-filled CNTs onto the conventional W tip and Si cantilever by microwave plasma enhanced CVD technique.

In order to optimize growth condition, we deposited Pd as a catalyst and Al as a buffer layer on Si wafers and synthesized Pd-filled CNTs by microwave plasma enhanced CVD technique. As seen in Fig.1, the diameter of Pd-filled CNTs depends on the Pd thickness, and minimum diameter of Pd-filled CNTs is approximately 35 nm at the Pd thickness of 7.5 nm. Figure 2 shows TEM image (a) and diffraction pattern (b) of a Pd-filled CNT. It is found that the CNT has graphen sheets of approximately 40-50 layers and the top of the catalyst is covered with amorphous carbon of approximately 3 nm in thickness. The diffraction pattern reveals that the material inside the CNT is a Pd nanowire with fcc structure. Growth of CNTs on scanning probe microscopy (SPM) probes is also presented.





Fig.2: (a) TEM image of Pd-filled CNTs. (b) EDP in the view of Fig.2 (a).

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# Electronic Structure of Polyyne Molecules by Resonance Raman and Optical Emission Spectroscopy

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Polyynes, a family of molecules with linear carbon chains in their molecular structures, are model compounds for yet uncharacterized allotrope of carbon, namely, carbyne. Along the sophisticated compounds form chemical synthesis, some simple molecules have become accessible in milligram quantities by laser ablation or arc discharge. In this presentation, recent studies are reviewed focusing on the electronic structure of the linear polyyne molecules and some questions that have emerged form these studies are discussed.

The molecules of interests including  $H(C\equiv C)_nH$ ,  $H(C\equiv C)_nC\equiv N$ , and  $N\equiv C(C\equiv C)_nC\equiv N$  are formed by laser ablation of graphite particles in organic solvents. The hydrogen-capped polyynes,  $H(C\equiv C)_nH$ , are relatively stable under dilute conditions in hexane and subjected to optical spectroscopy, i.e., normal Raman and SERS [1], resonance Raman [2], and laser induced emission spectroscopy [3]. The excitation of the molecule via the allowed electronic transition by uv photon (~3.9-5.0 eV) is followed by relaxation via Rayleigh and Raman scattering, internal conversion, and so on. As revealed from the weak emission spectra for  $C_{2n}H_2$  (n=5-8) as well as the corresponding absorption spectra, the molecule has a low-lying electronic state at ~2.5-3.0 eV above the ground state (see Fig. 1). According to the Herzberg-Teller mechanism, the forbidden transition becomes weakly allowed, when the electronic transition is accompanied by an excitation of the trans-bending vibrational mode of  $\pi_g$  symmetry [3]. The information for the low-lying electronic states of the molecule is demanded for understanding of the optical properties of composite molecules, such as  $C_{2n}H_2$ @SWNTs [4-6].

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# **Photoinduced Charge-Separation of** Carbon Nanohorns with Porphyrin Connected via Amino Group

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Carbon nanohorns (CNHs) have been extensively studied, due to their unique properties, including their photo-physical properties dispersed in solutions. Here, we report light induced charge separation processes of amino-substituted CNHs and its adduct with tetracarboxylic porphyrin dispersed in aqueous solution studied by the steady-state and transient spectroscopic methods.<sup>1)</sup> From the fluorescence

lifetime measurements of anionic porphyrin (H<sub>2</sub>P<sup>4-</sup>) attached on CNH-NH<sub>2</sub> (Fig. 1), appreciable shortening of the fluorescence lifetime of  $H_2P^{4-}$  was observed by the binding and adsorption on CNHs as shown in Fig. 2, suggesting the photoinduced charge separation via the singlet excited state of  $H_2P^{4-}$  to CNH-NH<sub>2</sub>. The transient absorption spectra (Fig. 3) show the absorption peaks due to the radical cation of  $H_2P^{4-}$  in the 600-800 nm regions, in addition to the triplet state of  $H_2P^{4-}$ , which are broaden by strong interaction with CNH-NH<sub>2</sub>. With the steady-light illumination of  $CNH-NH_2-H_2P^{4-}$  in the presence of electron mediator (methyl viologen dication,  $MV^{2+}$ ), the accumulation of MV<sup>•+</sup> as electron pool was confirmed by the characteristic



Fig. 2. 
$$H_2P^{4-}$$
-fluorescence time  
profiles. of (i)  $H_2P^{4-}$  and (ii)  
CNH-NH<sub>2</sub>-H<sub>2</sub>P<sup>4-</sup>.

620-nm band in the co-presence of hole transfer reagent (BNAH) as shown in Fig. 4. This observation indirectly supports that charge-separation between the excited singlet state of  $H_2P^{4-}$  and CNH generates respective hole and electron, from which the electron mediates from CNHs to  $MV^{2+}$ , yielding  $MV^{\bullet+}$ , whereas the hole on  $H_2P^{4-}$  mediates to BNAH, retarding back electron transfer processes. Finally, steady-state concentration of MV<sup>++</sup> can be accumulated as electron pool in aqueous solution.





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### Non-collinear Magnetic Phase Diagram of Graphene Nanoribbons

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Recently, graphenes attract much attention as candidates for spintronics materilas [1, 2]. One of the reasons is that the flat-band ferromagnetism appears at zigzag edges of graphenes [3]. It was reported that the magnetic ground state of zigzag-edged graphene nanoribbon (ZGNR) has an anti-ferromagnetic (AFM) structure consisting of two ferromagnetic (FM) chains along both edges. Then, theoretical design of the FM states of carbon-based materials is challenged by several groups [4, 5].

In this paper, we clarify that the FM and non-collinear magnetic (NCM) states of ZGNR can be induced by carrier doping, which is achieved by means of the electric field effect method [6]. We have performed non-collinear density-functional calculations and have revealed the magnetic phase diagram of ZGNR, i.e., Fig. 1 shows the relative total energy  $\Delta E$  per the edge-atom which depends on the carrier-doping concentration x (e/Cell) and the spin-canting angle  $\theta$  between two atoms at both edges (see Fig. 2). We find that the AFM phase ( $\theta = 180^\circ$ ) is transformed into the FM( $\theta = 0^\circ$ ) phase by either electron (x < -0.12) or hole (0.12 < x) doping, It should be noticed that NCM states ( $0^\circ < \theta < 180^\circ$ ) appear between the AFM and FM phases.



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# High temperature treatment of carbon fullerene soot and formation of multi-shell carbon nano-capsules filled with La carbide

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### Abstract:

There has been great interest in the incorporation of foreign materials into fullerenes, nanotubes, and fullerene-like multi-shell cage structures such as polyhedral nanocapsules.

Fullerenes encapsulating one La atom (called endofullerenes) were discovered in the fullerene soot formed by laser vaporization and following deposition of La with carbon under Ar flow [1]. Soon after the endofullerene soot was produced macroscopically by arc-discharge method [2]. Endofullerenes encapsulating one La atom (such as  $La@C_{82}$ ) formed in the soot were extracted by toluene [1], and well identified after their purification by HPLC [3].

On the other hand, polyhedral nanocapsules containing La element were not found in the fullerene soot, which were discovered in carbonaceous cathode deposits formed by arc-discharge evaporation and following deposition of La with carbon on the cathode surface [4, 5]. Electron diffraction (ED) revealed that the capsules were filled with LaC<sub>2</sub> single crystals, not La metals [5]. Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) characterization showed that the endohedral graphitic nanoparticles were usually seen in the deposit, not in the soot.

In this study, multi-shell single-digit nanoparticles filled with La have been found in La fullerene arc soot synthesized at 35 Torr He, which is lower than the ordinal pressure for the fullerene and nanotube condition. Typical TEM picture of the soot is seen in Figure 1, where most of the single-digit nano-particles contain La. Furthermore, the soot materials have been treated at temperatures between 1000 and 2200°C in vacuum. The modifications resulting from the heat treatment have been followed by TEM and thermogravimetric (TG) measurements. The single-digit nanoparticles have been transformed into larger multi-shell nanoparticles filled with LaC<sub>2</sub>.

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**Figure 1.** TEM image of multi-shell single-digit nano-particles in La fullerene soot synthesized at 35 Torr He.



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# Monodisperse Single-Nano Diamond Particles as Seeding for CVD Diamond Thin Films. 1. A New Seeding Technique

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#### Purpose

Being the world's smallest artificial diamond, our single-nano diamond (SND,  $d=4.77\pm0.76$  nm) particles<sup>1)</sup> obtained by disintegrating crude agglutinates of *detonation nanodiamond* offer the best possible seeding for homoepitaxial growth of CVD diamond films.<sup>2)</sup> Despite vigorous R&D efforts since the breakthrough in CVD diamond growth technique (hot filament) by Sedaka *et al.* in 1982,<sup>3)</sup> no diamond film having acceptable qualities regarding density, transparency, growth rate and surface smoothness has been produced on large scale, primarily because small enough diamond seeds were not available until the SND was *rediscovered* in 2002.<sup>1)</sup> Our first and probably the most important task towards our temporal goals of obtaining good-quality NCD,UNCD films by CVD using SND seeds<sup>3)</sup> is to develop a coating technique capable of reaching a seeding density in the order of  $10^{12}/\text{cm}^2$ .

#### Results

*Preparation of nanodiamond colloid having virtually unimodal distribution.* Our SND used to contain 5-10% of double-nano diamond single crystals. Improvements in the purification steps afforded products containing more than 98% of particles having diameters between 4 and 5 nm.

*Dip-coating* of 0.05~0.1% aqueous colloid of SND over silicon wafers on a MicroDip (ND-0408, SDI Co.) at a pulling speed of 0.1 mm/s afforded uniform coating of single layer of SND. Seeding densities of the order of  $10^{11}/\text{cm}^2$  have been achieved. Even by immersion-coating, this level of density could be achieved when SND colloid was used. CVD diamond films grown over such seeded plates were of high quality.<sup>2,4)</sup> However, we soon noticed that these simple coating methods provide too small degree of freedom for precise attenuation of seeding conditions.

Colloid-jet printing. It occurred to us that the ink-jet printing technique may be modified for CVD seeding instruments to allow the highest possible seeding density and also to align and orient SND crystals on the surface of substrate. Preliminary examination using an Ink Jet Patterning instrument (NanoPrinter-500D) from MicroJet Co. is giving out promising results. Colloidal solutions of 0.01% SND in ethylene-glycol/ethanol (8:2) mixed solvent and a set of 128 jet-nozzles each having a diameter of 40  $\mu$ m are being used.

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# Intensity enhancement of intermediate frequency Raman mode (IFM) by the presence of very small diameter SWNTs

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Raman scattering spectroscopy has been established as a powerful tool to clarify the electronic and vibrational properties of SWNTs. As has been well known, there are basically two types of Raman active modes; i.e., radial breathing mode (RBM) and tangential mode (T-mode or G-mode), and the origin of the appearance of these optical phonons has been understood by the first order process of electron-phonon interaction.

Since the first systematic report on the Raman spectrum of SWNTs<sup>[1]</sup>, on the other hand, in addition to these strong RBM and T-mode Raman bands, the appearance of very weak but distinctive Raman bands has been reported in the intermediate frequency region (500-1200cm<sup>-1</sup>) and these Raman bands have been called as "intermediate frequency mode (IFM)"<sup>[2]</sup>. Usually the intensity of these IFM is less than 10% of those of RBM or T-M. Furthermore, by changing excitation photon energy, the observed frequency of the IFM band changes as a "step-like" behaviors suggesting the excitation of only some SWNTs with specific chiral indices. With use of rather simple theoretical approach, such a behavior has been understood by the Raman scattering caused by the combination of optical and acousticlike phonons<sup>[3,4]</sup>. The previous reports has further indicated that because of the momentum conservation rule, in the case of IFM, only the SWNTs with a zigzag type or near zigzag type should be selectively excited as the candidate for showing experimental IFM bands.

In the present paper, we demonstrate the observation of extraordinary strong IFM Raman bands for the sample containing the SWNTs with very small diameter. Intensity of the IFM bands observed in the present work is almostly the same as the one for the RBM. The diameter distribution of the sample is centered at around 0.6-0.5 nm and very strong RBM of (5,4) and (7,2) were observed by the excitation of 488 nm and 633 nm, respectively. Figure 1 shows the Raman scattering spectrum of the frequency region from 100 cm<sup>-1</sup> to 5000 cm<sup>-1</sup>. The two bands with a broad feature appearing at 3000-4000 cm-1 are due to fluorescence bands of (5,4) and (6,4) SWNTs. In the spectrum region between 500-2600 cm<sup>-1</sup>, there appears at least 6 peaks which are able to be assigned to IFM(shown by arrows). Detailed analysis and discussion will be performed in the symposium.



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## Mechanism of Gold-Catalyzed Carbon Material Growth

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Unlike the iron-group metals, carbon solubility of Au is extremely low in bulk phase. However single-walled carbon nanotube (SWCNT) can be grown from Au catalysts<sup>1</sup>. For the clarification of the SWCNT growth mechanism from metal catalysts, it is necessary to consider the results of Au-catalyzed SWCNT growth. In present report, we discuss the growth mechanism of SWCNT from Au based on the observation of carbon nanowire (CNW) growth.

We synthesized carbon materials by chemical vapor deposition (CVD) with ethanol or methane. Interestingly, Au-catalyzed carbon material growth by CVD undergoes a structural change, either a CNW or a SWCNT, depending on the catalyst particle size.

Figure 1a is the TEM image of carbon materials grown from ~10 nm Au particles. The TEM image reveals that grown materials are wires not tubes. Figure 1b (SEM) and 1c (TEM) are the results for carbon material growth catalyzed by Au particles ~5 nm or smaller. The TEM image (c) reveals that grown materials are SWCNTs.

CNW formation provides insight into carbon material growth mechanism from Au catalysts. In the Au catalyzed semiconductor nanowire growth, Au and source elements of nanowire form eutectic alloy<sup>2,3</sup>. Similarly, CNW formation from Au catalysts means Au can form Au-C eutectic alloy during carbon material growth. When Au catalyst particle size is 10-30 nm, supersaturated carbon atoms form CNW at the catalyst-substrate interface. In contrast, supersaturated carbon atoms in Au catalyst particles 5 nm or less form a carbon cap on the particle surface and the cap leads SWCNT growth<sup>4</sup>. Present results show that nanosized Au have a significant carbon solubility unlike bulk Au. As a result, Au-C alloy is formed and the Au-C causes CNW and SWCNT growth.



Figure 1. Carbon material growth from size-controlled Au nanoparticles

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# Acetylene Assisted Fast Growth of Vertically Aligned Single Walled Carbon Nanotubes in Alcohol Catalytic Chemical Vapor Deposition

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With an *in situ* optical absorption, [1] we studied the influences of different foreign molecules on the activity of Co/Mo in alcohol catalytic chemical vapor deposition (ACCVD). An interesting growth acceleration phenomenon was observed when acetylene was introduced to growing SWNTs. Fig. 1a shows that growth rate was enhanced almost 10 times in case of only 1% acetylene. However, pure acetylene of same partial pressure deactivated catalysts in a couple of seconds, no mater with or without an cap formed from ethanol. Then, when ethanol was re-supplied, the activity of these partially poisoned catalyst particles could be recovered, as shown in Fig. 1b. Therefore, the importance of ethanol for SWNT growth, not only at the beginning stage, was demonstrated and detailed mechanism is to be discussed. Several other recent results [2, 3] on the growth mechanism and structure control of vertically aligned SWNTs in ACCVD will also be presented.



Figure 1. Acetylene assisted ACCVD: (a) a typical growth curve showing growth can be significantly accelerated when acetylene is introduced; (b) a growth started with ethanol and continued by only acetylene, indicating that, without ethanol, catalyst will be deactivated in seconds but this partial poisoned catalyst can be re-activated by ethanol. A possible mechanism was proposed as the inset.

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# Discovery of Novel Carbon Structure: Graphene Multi-Layers Spontaneously Formed on the Top of Aligned Carbon Nanotubes

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Novel carbon structure composed of graphene multi-layers and aligned multi-walled carbon nanotubes (MWNTs) has been discovered. The new structure has graphene multi-layers spontaneously formed on the top of aligned MWNTs, which was obtained by chemical vapor deposition (CVD). The graphene layers are perpendicular to the aligned direction of MWNTs. The obtained structure is clearly different from usual vertically-aligned MWNTs [1], and looks like carbon nanotubes with parasols.

The CVD process was performed in a low-pressure vacuum chamber. As the carbon source, a mixture of acetylene and argon gases was introduced into the CVD chamber, where the substrate was placed. The substrate temperature and total pressure were 510 °C and 1kPa, respectively. As a catalyst, a 2.6-nm-thick cobalt film on a titanium nitride film by the conventional sputtering method was used. Figure 1(a) shows a cross sectional image of the new carbon structure on a silicon substrate by scanning electron microscopy (SEM). A flat structure on vertically aligned MWNT bundles is clearly observed. Analyzing this flat structure by transmission electron microscopy (TEM) in Fig. 1(b), we have found that the flat structure is composed of multiple graphite domains next to each other, whose thickness was estimated to be approximately 18 nm. This thickness can be controlled by the growth condition and catalyst composition. The obtained structure is unique and can be synthesized at

low temperature. Therefore, it may find new applications in the electronic industry. Details will be discussed in the presentation. The authors thank Dr. Naoki Yokoyama, Fellow of Fujitsu Laboratories Ltd. for his support and useful suggestions.

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Figure 1 (a) SEM image of the new carbon structure composed of graphene multi-layers and MWNTs; (b) TEM image of the graphene multi-layers.

## Stability of Double Wall Carbon Nanotubes on Oxidation

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The purification of double-wall carbon nanotubes (DWNTs) is crucial to properly characterize their structural, electronic and magnetic properties. To purify DWNTs produced by the high temperature pulsed arc discharg method (HTPAD) [1], we have utilized a high-temperature oxidation processes together with a reported dispersion technique [2]. In this purification process of carbon nanotubes (CNTs) dependences on the stability of the number of layers and on diameters are important to obtain pure nanotube materials. Here, we have investigated the structural stability of the HTPAD-DWNTs on high-temperature oxidation (i.e., burning) in terms of the number of layers and oxidation temperature.

DWNTs together with the single-wall CNTs (SWNTs) having a maximum diameter of 1.8 nm were synthesized by HTPAD using Ni/Co/Y catalysts. The as-grown material was heated at 360°C and was dispersed into surfactant, which was mixed with fumed silica and dried into a powder. The powder was then refluxed in  $H_2O_2$ , and oxidized at

temperature between 500 and  $600^{\circ}$ C to remove SWNTs [1]. DWNTs were recovered after elimination of silica. The diameter distribution of such CNTs and the relative abundance of DWNTs and SWNTs were estimated by TEM observation.

Figure 1 shows a TEM image in which most of the thin SWNTs and DWNTs (a,b) are oxidized but thicker SWNTs and DWNTs (c,d) remain; the stability towards the oxidation increases as the diameter of CNTs increase. Figure 2 (a) and (b) present diameter distributions before and after oxidation, respectively. SWNTs with the diameter around 1.4 nm are completely oxidized, whereas SWNTs around 1.0 nm are newly appeared. These thin SWNTs originate from inner layer of thin DWNTs, which are seen in Fig. 1(b). The thicker SWNTs with a diameter around 1.8 nm are enriched by the oxidation, and DWNTs of a similar diameter are twice as abundant as the corresponding SWNTs. The stability of CNTs against oxidation is mainly governed by both the number of layers and the diameters.

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(a) before and (b) after oxidation

# Separation of Metallic and Semiconducting Single-Wall Carbon Nanotubes by Gel Electrophoresis

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As-produced single-wall carbon nanotubes (SWCNTs) contain metallic and semiconducting ones (mSWCNTs and sSWCNTs, respectively). The heterogeneity is one of the most crucial problems preventing application of SWCNTs. There are several reports on the separation of mSWCNTs and sSWCNTs by dielectrophoresis [1], amine extraction [2], ion-exchange chromatography of SWCNTs dispersed by DNA [3], and density-gradient ultracentrifugation [4, 5]. Here we report a novel separation method of mSWCNTs and sSWCNTs by gel electrophoresis. Since the new method is quite simple, quick and scalable, it could be suited for the industrial production. SWCNT dispersion was prepared by a sonication in the presence of detergent, followed by a centrifugation. We first applied the solution to gel electrophoresis (Fig. 1). The mSWCNTs were concentrated in the fractions 3 and 4 and sSWCNTs were in the frac. 1, which means the mSWCNT moved faster. In this case, however, about 90% of the initial SWCNT was left mixed in the frac. 2. We then used SWCNT-dispersed gel as a sample of gel electrophoresis and found a drastic improvement in the separation (Fig. 2). In this method, most of mSWCNTs moved out from the starting gel and formed the frac. 2, while sSWCNTs remained in the gel (frac. 1). As a result, almost all SWCNTs applied to gel electrophoresis were separated into respective electronic type. The principle of the separation is still not clear but is thought to be different from standard gel electrophoresis.

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Fig. 2 (a) Separation of SWCNT dispersed in gel by gel electrophoresis. (b) Absorption spectra of fractions after gel electrophoresis.

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## The New Feature Development of **Carbon Nanotubes-Polybenzimidazole Composite**

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Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) have expected in most areas of science and engineering due to their mechanical properties, electrical properties and so on[1]. But, the application of CNTs is limited because they form bundles each other and possess poor solubility in any solvents. Many researches of dispersing CNTs in solvent and preparing CNTs-polymer composites has been reported[2]. In this time, we focus on Polybenzimidazole (PBI) as polymer materials. PBI is used as super engineering plastic because of the heat stability. In addition, PBI is expected to apply for solid polymer electrolyte membrane of fuel cells.

First, we examined if PBI can solubilize CNTs in solvent. CNTs were added to the solution which PBI was dissolved in dimethyl sulfoxide (DMAc). This solution was sonicated to dissolve CNTs, followed by centrifugation. Fig.1 (A) shows the absorption spectra of the suspention after centrifugation. For comparison, the same operation without PBI was carried out and absorption spectra is shown in Fig.1 (B).

In the case of the solution including PBI (Fig.1 (A)), the characteristic spectral features due to dissolved CNTs were clearly observed in the near-IR region. On the other hand, the characteristic absorption due to CNTs was not observed in the absence of PBI

(Fig.1 (B)). This means PBI can act as solubilizer for CNTs. It is attributed that the  $\pi$ - $\pi$ interaction between PBI and CNTs plays an important role for debandling of CNTs.

Next, the CNTs-PBI composite films and PBI films were prepared by spreading each solution on a glass plate and the solvent was evaporated, (Fig.2). The tensile strength and Young's modulus of each film was measured, and found that those of CNTs-PBI composite film is about 1.6 times higher than PBI film without CNTs.



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# Reduction of low-temperature-growth-CNT via resistances using inner layers by Chemical Mechanical Polishing

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We have grown carbon nanotubes (CNTs) by remote plasma chemical vapor deposition (RP-CVD) lower than 390°C (Fig. 1(a)), which is tolerable temperature for LSI fabrication process, and measured their electrical properties[1]. However, high values of via resistance were observed owing to the surface ununiformity. To overcome this problem, we applied Chemical Mechanical Polishing (CMP) [2] to planarize CNT vias. CNT vias were successfully planarized by CMP (Fig. 1(b)(c)). Since caps of multi-walled MWNTs would be removed by using CMP, carrier conduction should occur on many inner layers as well as the outermost layers. (Fig. 2) Vias planarized by it has much lower resistances than those of without it. In this study, the lowest via resistance at a 2um via was 16  $\Omega$  without CMP and 0.6  $\Omega$  with CMP, which is close to that of tungsten vias.We also observed ohmic characteristics in temperature dependence.



Fig. 1 SEM images of a CNT via (2um)(a) MWNTs grown at 390°C from a via structure (b) A CNT via planarized by CMP(c) Magnified picture of the via surface

(c) CNTs 20nm



Fig. 2 Carrier paths before and after CMP (a) only the outermost layer (b) all layer of MWNTs

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## Growth of Carbon Nanotubes by Carbon Transmission Method

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Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) have been expected as ideal electric wires with the excellent properties of low resistivity, high strength and light weight. However, it is difficult to fabricate the long length wires because it is difficult to maintain the growth rate of CNTs by covering of unnecessary harmful carbon formed on nano-sized metal particle catalysts in thermal CVD process. We have proposed the Carbon Transmission Method (CTM) for continuous growth of CNT with the concept of the separation between carbon source gas supply and CNT growth as shown in Fig.1.<sup>[1]</sup> The CTM catalyst foil specimen with thickness of 50µm is composed of Fe filaments through the Ag foil of the separator between the carbon source gas supply (side A) and CNT growth (side B). The both end of Fe filaments in the Ag foil were exposed by chemical etching of Ag with an aqueous solution of NH<sub>3</sub> and  $H_2O_2$ . The exposed Fe filaments had thickness of sub um and width of a few um.

The carbon source mixed gas (CH4 ,H2 and Ar ) was provided on one end of Fe filaments (side A), and Ar gas was provided on the other end of Fe filaments (side B) at 850 °C for 2 hours. As the result of the heat treatment, CNTs were not found at side A in the carbon source mixed gas as shown in Fig.2. In contrast, CNTs with diameter of about 10 - 50 nm were generated at side B as shown in Fig.3. The maximum length was over 100 µm.

Next, we carried out the experiment in the same heat treatment condition using an annealed CTM catalyst foil specimen in  $H_2$  gas at 800 °C. As a result, CNTs were not observed at side A and B. It indicates that the reduction of oxide layer on the Fe filaments by  $H_2$  gas leads

disappearance of the CNT growth at side B. The oxide layer or the boundary becomes the starting point of CNT growth in Ar gas.

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Separator (Ag) CNT Carbon Source gas Side A Fe filaments Ar gas





Fig.2 SEM photograph at side A. CNTs were not found.



Fig.3 SEM photograph of CNTs at side B.

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# Synthesis of Radially-Aligned Carbon Nanotube Powder by SiC Surface Decomposition Method

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The SiC surface decomposition method is one of the synthetic methods of carbon nanotube (CNT) [1] and the growth mechanism and the characteristics have been reported [2,3]. The CNTs synthesized by this method have unique features, which are highly-aligned, catalysis-free and highly-dense. According to previous reports, the CNTs formed on single crystals of SiC, which is rather expensive, have been investigated as the raw material. In this study, for industrial mass production, we tried to synthesize aligned and high-quality CNT powder using SiC powder, which is relatively low cost.

We revealed that synthesis of CNT powder required appropriate CO gas partial pressure control (the pressure range: 1–100 Pa) and appropriate CO gas fluidization, especially in the process of CNT nanocap formation (the temperature range: 1100–1400 degree Celsius). However, the quality of CNT, which was synthesized by the CO gas controlling method, was not sufficient yet. As a result of investigating the raw material of SiC powder, we found well-crystallized SiC particles provide radially-aligned CNT particles (Fig1).



Fig1. TEM image of a radially-aligned CNT particle

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# Photoluminescence of mono-dispersed single-walled carbon nanotubes made by using arc-burning method in nitrogen gas atmosphere

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**Abstract:** In this presentation, photoluminescence of mono-dispersed carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) made by using arc-burning method in nitrogen gas atmosphere was investigated, since it was suggested that the purity of SWNTs is relatively high, almost comparable to those obtained with laser-ablation method [1]. Typical photoluminescence mapping of mono-dispersed SWNTs in surfactant solution is shown

in the figure, demonstrating that the diameter distribution of them is narrow, comparable to those obtained by laser-ablation method [2], though broad background signal can also be seen.

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The purity of single-wall carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) is one of the crucial factors for the study of encapsulation of molecules. Among the possible impurities, amorphous carbon that covers the surface of the nanotubes will affect most seriously to lower the efficiency for encapsulation. The methods to remove amorphous carbon reported so far include heating of the pristine SWNTs in the air, in aqueous hydrogen peroxide, or in boiling water. In this work, we produced SWNTs by both laser ablation and alcohol catalytic CVD (ACCVD) and compared them in view of the quality for molecular encapsulation.

First, in order to refine the experimental conditions for high yields under laser ablation, diameter distributions of SWNTs in the pristine materials were studied by Raman spectroscopy as a function of pressure of the buffer gas. The experimental conditions (~1100 °C, Nd:YAG 1064 nm 0.8 J/pulse at 10 Hz, Ni/Co 0.6/0.6 wt %) were kept throughout the experiments except for the pressure of Ar gas (~250-610 Torr). Judging from the RBM-frequency regions in the Raman spectra (<300 cm<sup>-1</sup>, inset in Fig. 1), a fraction of SWNTs of smaller diameters decreased by increasing the pressure. The tendency for increasing diameters in average has been reported under higher temperature conditions. Thus, considering the effect of high pressures as confinement of high-temperature particles of carbon and metals, the effective temperature of the precursory particles would be higher under the high pressures. Second, with electron microscope images, the materials from laser ablation contained a substantial amount of amorphous carbon. Finally, the pristine SWNTs were heated at 300 °C in the air and sintered in solutions of molecules, e.g., polyynes C<sub>2n</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, for encapsulation. The Raman spectra of the composite materials were recorded.



Figure 1. Raman spectra of pristine SWNTs produced by laser ablation (pressure dependence).

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# Synthesis and Applications of Novel Vanadium Oxide Nanotubes

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The main aim of this work is to produce specialized nanostructures from transition metal oxide for potential applications in electrochemical devices and for catalytic applications. Vanadium oxide nanotubes (VOx-NT) have been prepared by mixing hexadecylamine with V2O5.nH2O gels. This procedure was followed by a hydrothermal treatment (150–180°C, 2–7 days), which leads to a large quantity of VOx-NT. The structure and morphology of the nanotubes is investigated by SEM and TEM and a model describing nanotubes peculiar morphology has been discussed. The vanadium oxide nanotubes are redox-active and can electrochemically insert lithium reversibly. Further, applications of these transition metal nanotubes in electrical transport and sensor materials have also been outlined.

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## Time Dependence of Carbon Nanotube Growth by Gas Source Method using Alcohol in High Vacuum

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Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) have been anticipated for use in a lot of future nanodevices. However, the growth mechanism of CNTs has yet to be clarified. Recently, we reported CNT growth by gas source method in an ultra-high vacuum (UHV) chamber [1]. This growth technique enables CNT growth in a high vacuum, which is useful for clarifying the growth mechanism. In this study, we investigated the time dependence of CNT growth using the gas source method.

SiO<sub>2</sub>(100nm)/Si substrates were introduced into a UHV chamber and Co catalysts (~ 0.1 nm in thickness) were deposited on them by electron beam (EB) evaporation. Then, ethanol gas was supplied onto the substrate surface through a stainless steel nozzle to grow CNTs. Supply of ethanol gas was controlled by monitoring the ambient pressure of the UHV chamber. During the growth, the chamber pressure was kept at  $1 \times 10^{-1}$  Pa. The growth temperature was 700°C, and the growth time was varied from 1 to 60 min. The grown CNTs were analyzed by Raman spectroscopy and scanning electron microscopy (SEM).

Figure 1 shows Raman spectra in the radial breathing mode (RBM) region for CNTs grown at various growth times from 1 to 60 min. When the growth time was 10 min, only RBM peaks from CNTs of less than 1 nm in diameter were observed. As the growth time became longer, CNTs of more than 1 nm in diameter appeared. These results indicate that the small-diameter CNTs are apt to grow faster than the larger-diameter CNTs. From time dependence of the G band intensity, the incubation time was estimated to be about 30 sec. Our results suggest that the growth rate of CNTs is related to the diameter of grown CNTs.

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Fig 1

## Patterned growth of CNTs through AFM nano-lithography

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## Abstract:

The CNTs have been grown on a patterned Si wafer using an AFM nano-oxidation technique that is an important method to fabricate nano devices. To remove the native oxide layer, a Si wafer was first cleaned by hydrogen fluorides. Nano-oxide films with height of 0.6-4.0 nm were made by changing scan speed 0.5-4.0  $\mu$ m/s under applying 5-10 V on the sample with respect to a Au coated AFM cantilever using a vector scan mode. Fe film was then coated by arc plasma deposition as a catalyst. After thermal annealing, Fe film on the bare Si area transformed into iron silicides through interfacial reaction, while the reaction was inhibited on the oxide patterned area. High-density CNTs were selectively grown on the extremely thin (1.5 nm-height) nano-oxide area Si by a home-made plasma-enhanced chemical vapor deposition. Figures 1 shows SEM images of a SiO<sub>2</sub> patterned surface by AFM nano-oxidation(a) and CNT grown on the patterned substrate(b).



Figure 1. SEM images of (a) SiO<sub>2</sub> pattern and (b) patterned growth CNTs.

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## A Study on Chirality-Selectivity of Metal Catalyst Particles in CNT Synthesis by Alcohol-CCVD

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In recent years, the chirality-selective synthesis of carbon nanotubes (CNTs) has been developed for industrial applications [1]. CNTs have metallic or semiconducting properties dependent on their diameters and chiralities. The size and morphology of catalyst nanoclusters play an important role in determining the diameter and chirality of CNTs synthesized by catalytic chemical vapor deposition (CCVD). At present, understanding of catalyst effects on the chirality-selectivity is a major issue to optimize the conditions of CNT synthesis with single chirality by the CCVD method. In this study, quasicrystalline (QC) alloys as catalysts for CNT synthesis were investigated, which possess quasiperiodic structures with classically forbidden symmetry axes [2]. Among QC alloys found so far, two typical QC alloys were chosen as metal catalysts for CNT synthesis, (a) Al-Co-Ni alloy [3] in a decagonal phase with ten-fold symmetry and (b) Al-Cu-Fe alloy in an icosahedral phase with five-fold symmetry.

Al/Co/Ni and Al/Cu/Fe three-layered films (ca. 10 nm in total thickness) were deposited on Si/SiO<sub>2</sub> substrates by sequential electron-beam evaporation so as to become a perfect QC composition [2]. These samples were annealed at 450°C for 1h in a CVD reactor to form nanoclusters with a QC phase, followed by synthesizing CNTs at 700°C for 10 min by alcohol CCVD. These samples were characterized by using SEM, TEM, and resonance Raman spectroscopy. Fig.1 shows cross-sectional SEM images of CNTs synthesized using (a) the Al/Co/Ni film and (b) the Al/Cu/Fe film, and (c) an Al/Co film such as previously described [4]. It was found that vertically aligned CNTs were reproducibly synthesized by using these QC films as catalysts, similar to the Al/Co film. Chirality-selectivity of these samples is to be presented in the symposium.



Fig.1 Cross-sectional SEM images of CNTs synthesized using (a) Al/Co/Ni film (with *d*-QC phase), (b) Al/Cu/Fe film (with *i*-QC phase), and (c) a conventional Al/Co film, as catalysts for alcohol CCVD.

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## TEM observation of Carbon Nanotube Pattern fabricated on SiC(000-1) using Ta mask

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It has been reported that zigzag-type carbon nanotubes (CNTs) grow after annealing SiC(000-1) substrate above 1300°C in a vacuum [1]. For fabrication of CNT devices, it is necessary to grow CNTs at selected positions on the substrate. The mask patterning technique is a useful way of doing this. However, conventional mask materials, such as SiO<sub>2</sub> or SiN, are unsuitable for selective CNT growth because of low sublimation temperature. To address this, we have been attempting to apply high melting point metal masks. In previous studies, we reported attempts for selective CNT growth using Ti mask. However, some portions of Ti mask melted and evaporated at around 1500°C [2], therefore, mask material of higher heat-resistance has been desirable. In this study, Ta mask whose melting point is higher than that of Ti was applied for selective CNT growth.

Stripe mask patterns (both width and interval were 10  $\mu$ m) were fabricated on SiC(000-1) substrates using photolithography technique. They were heated at 1700°C in a vacuum for 30min. After heating, the samples were characterized by scanning electron microscopy (SEM), X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS), micro Raman spectroscopy and transmission electron microscopy (TEM).

SEM observation and XPS measurement confirmed that, even after heating, Ta mask did not evaporate, maintaining the shape. TEM observation showed that CNTs of more than 200 nm in length grew on the SiC surface at the open area of the mask(Fig. 1(a)). In contrast, SiC did not decompose below most of the mask area (Fig. 1(b)), although CNTs of a few tens of nanometers in length were observed at some portions under the mask areas. These results indicate that Ta mask is more useful to obtain selective CNT growth on SiC substrates than SiN and Ti masks.

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Fig.1 TEM images of (a) CNTs formed in the open area and (b) SiC below the mask area. Ni was deposited on the sample surfaces as a protection layers during the sample preparation for TEM.

## Growth mechanism of carbon nanotubes over gold-supported catalysts

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Recently, the growth of carbon nanotubes (CNTs) over gold (Au) catalysts has attracted interest [1,2]. Generally, Au is regarded as an inactive metal with a low catalytic activity and low carbon solubility. Therefore, it is interesting to study the growth mechanism and yield of CNTs over Au catalysts. We previously demonstrated that the analysis of an effluent gas during chemical vapor deposition (CVD) is useful for the understanding of the growth mechanism of CNTs [3]. Here, we investigated the growth of CNTs over Au-supported catalyst by examining various combinations of porous metal oxide supports and hydrocarbon feedstocks, with the aid of the gas analysis [4].

Figure 1 shows a SEM image of the filamentous carbon formed over the  $Au/Al_2O_3$  catalyst with acetylene ( $C_2H_2$ ) feedstock. The TEM measurements showed that these fibers are multi-walled carbon nanotubes (MWNTs) with diameters of 10-50 nm. These nanotubes are curly and defective, and partly possess a bamboo-shaped structure. The carbon yield was much lower than that of typical Fe-Mo/MgO catalyst. The Au/SiO<sub>2</sub> catalyst also gave MWNTs, but no filamentous carbon was found on the Au/TiO<sub>2</sub> and Au/MgO catalysts.

As shown in Fig. 2a, we found that the  $Al_2O_3$  and  $TiO_2$  supports decomposed a certain amount of  $C_2H_2$  feedstock, even without Au. The deposition of the Au onto the  $Al_2O_3$  and  $TiO_2$  supports slightly increased the  $C_2H_2$  conversion, but the deposition onto the  $SiO_2$  support showed almost no  $C_2H_2$  decomposition (Fig. 2b). These results suggest that the nanotube growth is not directly related to the  $C_2H_2$  decomposition, and we think that interaction between gold and the metal oxide supports is important for the MWNT growth.



**Fig. 1** SEM image of MWNTs grown over Au/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> catalyst.

Fig. 2 Time evolution of the  $C_2H_2$  conversion during the CVD growth over the support materials without Au (a) and Au-supported catalysts (b).

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## G' band Raman Spectrum of Single, Double, and Triple Layer Graphene

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Graphene is the two-dimensional layered hexagonal lattice of carbon atoms. Recently, our collaborators have measured Raman spectra by controlling number of graphene layer from single layer to three layers and with changing excitation laser energy. In the spectra, we observed that the shape and intensity of the G' band depend on number of graphene layer and that the G'/G intensity ratio and G' peak position are changed by excitation laser energy. The G' band peak in single layer becomes strong and sharp comparison to double and triple layers. The integrated G'/G intensity ratio for single layer seems to follow  $(E_{laser})^{-4}$ . The G' band in graphene is due to two phonons scattering with opposite momentum in the highest optical branch around the K point. By considering the unit cell of double and triple layer graphene, we calculate the electronic structure for each number of layers. As the result, the electronic two linear bands of single graphene layer around Fermi level is split to two (three) bands by the interlayer interaction. This split electronic band plays an important role to determine the G' band shape and intensity in double and triple layers. We will neglect the splitting effect of the phonon branches in two and three graphene layers because of very small splitting of the phonon branches  $(1.5 \text{ cm}^{-1})$  [1]. In order to calculate G' band Raman spectrum, we have considered the electron-phonon interaction matrix and electron -photon interaction matrix as nominator of the Raman intensity formula by using extended tight binding model [2].

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## Influence of Cathode-Anode Distance on Field Emission Properties for Bulky CNT Emitters

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The remarkable properties of carbon nanotubes (CNT) make it possible to produce large-area emitters. However, there is an obvious discrepancy in reported field emission (FE) properties of these emitters and it can not be explained by only the adopted CNT geometry [1]. In this paper, the influence of cathode-anode distance (gap) is investigated, and it is shown that the gap can greatly affect the FE properties of bulky emitters.

CNTs produced by arc-discharge technique were fixed on Ti-coated metal substrates by a "rooting" technique [2]. FE tests were conducted at gaps from 0.1 to 0.8 mm in a UHV chamber with a base pressure of  $10^{-9}$  Pa after an aging test. Finally, a test at a gap of 0.8 mm was done again to confirm the FE reproducibility.

A group of emission current density (*J*)-applied field ( $E_A$ ) curves are shown in Fig. 2(a) for one typical emitter (~1 mm<sup>2</sup>).  $E_A$ , to obtain a given current, shifts to low field direction with the increase of gap. Fowler-Nordheim (F-N) plots in Fig. 2(b) shows that the increase of gap can enlarge the field enhancement factor ( $\beta$ ). The reason is ascribed to the phenomenon that emission sites can obtain more local electric field with the gap increase.

All the *J*- $E_A$  curves and F-N plots can be well normalized, as shown in Fig. 3(a), due to the fact that emission sites are reserved during the gap change. A similar conclusion can also be derived from the F-N theory; it reveals that all the modified F-N plots have the same intercept, as proved by Fig. 3(b).

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Figure 2. a) J- $E_A$  curves and (b) F-N plots.





## Applications of vertically well-aligned CNT films to capacitors

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**Abstract:** Electric double-layer capacitors are applied as electric sources of electronic devices and are important in terms of energy storage technology. High levels of power density and energy density, and long life spans, are desirable. We achieved high levels of performance in electric double-layer capacitors by controlling the nanostructures of well-aligned and high-density CNT films formed by SiC surface decomposition <sup>1)</sup>. The CNT growth is accompanied by a selective desorption of silicon from the SiC surface leaving free carbon that then forms into nanotubes without the use of catalyst metals.

The thin film electrode with vertically aligned zigzag-type CNTs 5µm in length on the graphite layers 27µm in thickness has been developed. This closed-packed CNTs electrode has high conductive pathways and results in low electric resistance. As the results by introducing an electrochemical activation pretreatment, the obtained capacitance of the CNT film was 100F/g and no decrease in degree of capacitance under conditions of higher current density was confirmed in comparison with commercial activated



carbon electrode. Fig.1 Structure of electric double-layer capacitor developed

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# *In-situ* observation of welding process of a muti-walled carbon nanotube to metal surface

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A single multi-walled carbon nanotube, encapsulating a nanometer-sized platinum particle, was manipulated inside a high-resolution transmission electron microscope combined with a piezo manipulator, and was welded to a platinum surface. The structural dynamics during the welding were *in-situ* observed by high-resolution imaging operated at 120 kV with a television system.

Figures (a)-(c) show time-sequential images of a welding procedure of a single multi-walled carbon nanotube to the platinum surface. In Fig. (a), the dark regions at the top (A) and the bottom (B) are the platinum surface and the platinum particle encapsulated in the nanotube, respectively. The tip of the nanotube is closed and its diameter is 9.1 nm. The surface of the encapsulated particle is surrounded by defined facets. The bright regions are vacuums. First, the tip of the nanotube was fixed tightly with the platinum surface, and a bias voltage was applied from 0 to 2.5 V. At 2.5 V, a current of 100  $\mu$ A passed abruptly through the nanotube. The facets of the particle disappeared and at the same time, the particle started to move toward the platinum surface, as shown in Fig. (c). At the junction between the nanotube and the particle, each layer composing the nanotube was directly connected to the particle as shown by arrows in Fig. (c). After the bonding, we retracted the nanotube and formed a single nanotube freestanding on the platinum surface, as shown in Fig. (d).

The single nanotube welded to the platinum surface was used as an emitter for electron field emission and its electron field emission properties were also *in-situ* measured at various gap distances with simultaneous imaging.



Figures (a)-(c) Time-sequential image of a welding procedure of a carbon nanotube. (d) Low magnification image of a single nanotube emitter fabricated by welding. The tip-diameter and the length of the nanotube are 5 nm and 176 nm, respectively.

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## Formation of Honeycomb Structure on PET Using Soluble Carbon Nanotube

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Potential applications using carbon nanotubes (CNTs) are often limited due to their insolubility in many solvents due to strong intertube van der Waals interactions. Therefore, strategic approaches toward the solubilization of CNTs should be important for the applications of CNTs. We reported the finding that a simple solution casting of carbon nanotubes/lipid complex (complex 1) produces self-organized honeycomb structures. The mixing of aqueous solution of single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) with aqueous molecular-bilayers of an artificial ammonium lipid produced a precipitate, which was collected to obtain complex 1 that is soluble in organic solvents. A simple solution casting of the complex 1 was found to produce self-organized honeycomb structures (Figure 1-a), whose cell sizes were controllable by changing experimental conditions. The lipid part of complex 1 was easily removed by an "ion exchange" method with maintaining the basic honeycomb structures (Figure 1-b). After the ion-exchange, the films with thinner skeletons exhibited dramatic decrease of the surface resistivity.



Fig.1. Typical SEM images for the films casting from a chloroform solution of complex 1 before (a) and after (b) the ion exchange.

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## Investigation of Methane Adsorption on MWNTs Using Field Emission Microscopy (FEM)

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Field emission of electrons from a multiwall carbon nanotube (MWNT) with a closed end occurs preferentially from pentagons at the cap when the nanotube surface is clean. It has been shown that the electron emission is enhanced from the adsorbed molecules when residual gas molecules adsorbed on the surface. In this work, effects of methane adsorption on the surface of MWNTs were studied by field emission microscopy (FEM).

MWNTs produced by arc discharge were attached to a tungsten hairpin by graphi-bond. The base pressure of the FEM chamber was  $\sim 1.0 \times 10^{-7}$ [Pa]. Methane was adsorbed on MWNTs with applying the electric field under the pressure of  $\sim 10^{-6}$ [Pa] for 10 minutes. Adsorption process was also carried out without applying the voltage in order to investigate the effect of an electric field.

Figs. 1(a) and (b) show FEM patterns of a clean surface and methane-adsorbed surface of a MWNT, respectively. A cross-like pattern as indicated by a circle in Fig. 1(b) is observed during the exposure to methane, and we assume that the pattern corresponds to a molecule of methane. Since a methane molecule has the tetrahedral structure, it looks like a cross when the two-fold symmetry axis is normal to the substrate as illustrated in Fig. 2.

Current(I)-voltage(V) curves before and after methane adsorption are shown in Fig.3. The emission current was remarkably increased after the methane adsorption. The dashed curve in Fig.3 shows an *I-V* curve after flashing to desorb adsorbates. The current was after decreased flashing. suggesting that adsorbates were removed. However, FEM patterns did not show the clean surface after the flashing, indicating that some molecules or fragments still remained after the flashing. When MWNTs were exposed to methane gas under no electric field, the MWNT emitter did not show significant change in I-V curves as well as FEM patterns after the expose to the gas, compared with those before the exposure.

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# Culture of Osteoblast-like Cells on Transparent Conductive Thin Films with Carbon Nanotubes

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Although carbon nanotubes (CNTs) have been widely studied, most of the studies focused on the physical and electrical fields, with very few on biomedical applications. Our previous study showed the excellent cell growth on single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWCNTs) and multi-walled carbon nanotubes (MWCNTs) and which implies that CNTs could be suitable scaffold for cell culture [1,2]. However, there is scarce information about cellular response to the culture substrates with CNTs. The aim of the present study was to investigate the cell responses on CNTs coated polystyrene (PS) dishes with the ability of transparent conductive thin film.

On CNTs coated dishes, SaOs2 cells were seeded and cultured in DMEM with

10%FBS for several days. The number of SaOs2 on SWCNTs was greater than that on cell culture PS. In the low concentration of FBS, SWCNTs were more effective in life extension and proliferation than general culture dishes. Hence, SWCNTs thin films may be usable to culture substrate for transfection, ELISA analysis, electrical stimulation, and so on. On the other hand, MWCNTs were advantageous at the points of cell adhesion, cell migration, and alkaline phosphatase activity. These results shows SWCNTs and MWCNTs are suitable and different tools for cell culture.



**Fig.1** Number of SaOs2 cultured on CNTs coated dish in low FBS.

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## In Situ TEM Study on Field Emission Property of an Isolated CNT

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Carbon nanotubes (CNT) are promising candidates for cold cathode electron field emitters because of their excellent electrical conductivity, chemical inertness, mechanical strength and needle-like shape with high aspect ratio that brings about field enhancement on their tips [1]. For the practical use of CNT emitters, the field emission properties of CNTs must be clarified. In this work, the field emission property of the CNT emitter which is an isolated multi-wall nanotube (MWNT) attached to a tungsten needle was studied by in situ transmission electron microscopy (TEM).

A small bundle of MWNTs was attached to the tip of a tungsten needle by electrophoresis. The CNT emitter and a gold anode were mounted in a special sample holder for TEM (Fig.1). The diameter of this MWNT is about 6 nm and the length of the bundle suspended from the W tip is about 8  $\mu$ m. The distance *d* between the CNT emitter and the gold anode was

varied between 0.1  $\mu$ m and 10  $\mu$ m. The electric voltage was applied form 0 to 100 V, and then it was decreased. The voltage at which the emission current became 10 nA was defined as the threshold voltage  $V_t$ . The field emission measurement was carried out before and after the exposure of the emitter to atmosphere.

Figure 2 shows that the  $V_t$  against the gap length d. Before the exposure to air, the  $V_t$  was 52V at  $d=10\mu$ m and 25V at  $d=0.1\mu$ m. After the exposure, however, the  $V_t$ increased to 57V at  $d=10\mu$ m and 30V at  $d=0.1\mu$ m. This increase in  $V_t$  may result from the degradation of CNT caused by the field emission or the exposure to air (Fig.3).



Fig.2. Threshold voltage against the gap length before and after the exposure to air.

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**Fig.1.** TEM image of the experimental arrangement.



**Fig.3.** TEM images of the tip of a MWNT (a) before the field emission (FE) and (b) after the FE and exposure to air.

## Fabrication Process of Carbon Nanotube FETs Using ALD Passivation for Biosensors

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Carbon nanotube (CNT) FETs have received much attention for a variety of applications. Among them, CNT-FET sensors are attractive because of their potential for high-sensitive and label-free operations [1, 2]. In order to implement the CNT-FET biosensors, deposition of the passivation film on the device surface is important to suppress the leakage current between electrodes through the electrolyte and to avoid the influence of an environmental charge. However, there is a technical issue that the deposition of the insulator film sometimes causes a decrease of a drain current [3]. In this study, we have applied atomic layer deposition (ALD). It has been confirmed that the ALD is useful for the passivation of the device surface. Biosensor operation was confirmed by CNT-FETs fabricated using the ALD passivation film.

Figure 1 shows a schematic cross section of the fabricated CNT-FETs. Following the fabrication of the back-gate CNT-FETs,  $HfO_2$  film (50 nm) with a large dielectric constant was deposited on the device surface by ALD at 250°C.  $HfO_2$  was chosen as a passivation/top-gate insulator to realize a large transconductance of the device. The step coverage was very good and no leakage current was observed in the  $HfO_2$ -passivated device being immersed in the electrolyte. Finally, a top-gate electrode was formed.

Figure 2 shows the typical  $I_D$ - $V_{BG}$  characteristics of the device before HfO<sub>2</sub> deposition and after top-gate electrode formation. Even though the hysteresis did not decrease by the ALD passivation (not shown), it drastically decreased by the top-gate electrode formation as shown in the figure. This is probably due to that the effect of environmental charge which caused hysteresis was shielded by covering the device surface by the top-gate electrode.

Biosensor measurement was performed by measuring the  $I_D$  when the enzyme Cytochrome c (pI=10.25, 30µmol/ml) containing solution was dropped into the phosphate-buffer (PB) solution (pH=7.0). Figure 3 shows the  $I_D$ - $V_{Gref}$  (reference electrode voltage) characteristics before and after dropping Cytochrome c containing solution. The  $I_D$  increase and the threshold voltage shift of 0.12V were observed, which confirms the detection of the enzyme.



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## **Electron Optical Evaluation of Carbon Nanotube Field-Emitter**

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Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) have high potential for application to electron sources of high resolution electron microscopes. In this work, we investigated current-voltage characteristic and brightness of CNT field-emitters.

Multi-wall carbon nanotubes produced by arc discharge are glued on top of a tungsten hairpin filament. An electron optical system used in the present experiment is shown in Fig. 1. The position of the CNT emitter relative to the extraction electrode is adjusted by a x-y-z goniometer. An electron beam emitted from CNTs is accelerated by an anode, and focused by an einzel lens to a screen. A knife edge is positioned between the lens and the screen to measure the beam size.

Fig. 2 shows an example of a beam profile. A dashed line is Gaussian fitting for differential current. From FWHM of the Gaussian fitting, a beam size is estimated approximately 0.14 mm. The brightness is calculated as 0.241 A/cm<sup>2</sup> · sr, being much smaller by several orders of magnitude than that



expected from field emission microscopy, presumably due to large aberrations of the lens.



Fig. 1 Schematic of the experiment

Fig. 2 An example of a beam profile

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# Studying the Same-Handedness in Double-Walled Carbon Nanotubes Using the Dispersion-Augmented Density Functional Tight Binding Method

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Figure 1. (14,3)@(17,10) (left) and (3,14)@(17,10) right, 30Å models

Prompted by the experimental finding that same-handedness is preferred in double-walled carbon nanotubes (DWNTs) with chiral tube components [1], we have investigated the thermodynamic stabilities of finite-size, hydrogen-terminated 15 Å and 30 Å long as well as infinite-length DWNT model systems. Tested systems were a) right-right (RR) (14,3)@(17,10), b) left-right (LR) (3,14)@(17,10), c) right-left (RL)

(14,3)@(10,17), and d) left-left (LL) (3,14)@(10,17), as well as RL- and RR-combinations of other DWNT systems. As quantum chemical potential we have used the dispersion-augmented density functional tight-binding (DFTB-D) method by Elstner *et al.* [2] We have verified this simple approach which combines quantum chemical potential with a London 1/R<sup>6</sup> dispersion term, using MP2/SVP geometry optimized 1-ring model components including computation of larger basis set single-point energies and basis set superposition effects, but did not find any thermodynamic preference for systems either of the DWNT combinations.

As long as the tube diameters are identical, attractive dispersion forces are also identical between the sidewalls so that a continuum model serves in fact as a good description. The origin for same-handedness, if it exists, must stem from the formation process and could be kinetically controlled, rather than originating in a thermodynamic stability preference.

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## Electronic properties of hybrid (DNA/SWCNT) thin film

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It is known that there are some significant interactions between DNA molecules and carbon nanotubes [1,2,3]. In this report, some electronic properties, such as electrical, magnetic and optical, of "hybrid" material (DNA/SWCNT) thin films were measured to identify the electronic interactions between them.

The film was prepared by super-sonication of ss-DNA (calf-thymus) and SWCNT (NANCOS INC.) in ultrapure water for 2 hrs, followed by the evacuation of water. The typical thickness of the film was several tens microns and the appearance was black-metallic- shiny. The morphological study for this material was very preliminary and the SEM image showed just flat view. TEM and STM studies are on the way.

The temperature dependence of magnetism of the film observed by SQUID showed no significant difference from the signal of SWCNT itself. This means that there is no significant magnetic interaction between them or the magnetic impurity in SWCNT sample may mask the effective modulation.

The typical electrical conductivity was 2.5 S/cm at room-temp. and the temperature dependence of the resistivity was best-fitted to the plots of 2-dimensional variable-range hopping regime. This means that the film is essentially metallic 2-dimensional material.

The remarkable modulation due to hybridization in the Raman-scattering spectra of the radial-breathing mode was the reverse in the relative intensity in the lowest wave number region. This result means that the number of thickest "free" tubes was reduced due to hybridization.

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## Theory of superconductivity by the edge states in graphene

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Superconductivity in graphite intercalation compound ( $C_6Ca$ ) and single-wall and multi-wall carbon nanotubes has been attracting much attention due to its high superconducting transition temperature above 10 K [1]. However, the density of states (DOS) near the Fermi energy of graphene is not sufficient to explain the observed high transition temperature. Thus, the mechanism of the superconductivity is an important issue.

The STS measurements [2] show an anomalous DOS near the Fermi level of graphene which is relevant to localized edge states [3]. The edge states significantly enhance the local DOS near the zigzag edge. Thus, it is valuable to examine the effect of the edge states on the superconductivity.

Using the Eliashberg equation, we obtain an appreciable transition temperature for the edge states [4]. We found that the effects of the Coulomb interaction and Fermi energy position are sensitive to the formation of superconducting gap. We report on the calculated STS spectrum near the zigzag edge and discuss the condition for observing the edge state superconductivity.

When the edge states become a superconducting state, a metallic zigzag nanotube having open boundaries can be regarded as a natural Superconductor/Normal metal/Superconductor junction system, in which superconducting states are developed locally at both ends of the nanotube and a normal metal exists in the middle. In this case, a signal of the edge state superconductivity appears as the Josephson current which is sensitive to the bandwidth, the position of the Fermi energy and the length of a nanotube.

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# Electrical transport properties of azafullerene C<sub>59</sub>N encapsulated single- and double-walled carbon nanotubes

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In this work, the electrical transport properties of azafullerene C<sub>59</sub>N encapsulated singleand double-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs and DWNTs) are investigated by fabricating them as the channels of field effect transistors (FETs). The synthesis of C<sub>59</sub>N fullerenes is realized by a nitrogen-plasma irradiation method, and they are confirmed by a laser-deposition time-of-flight mass spectrometer. The encapsulation of C<sub>59</sub>N azafullerenes into SWNTs or DWNTs has been prepared by either a vapor reaction method or a plasma irradiation method, which is confirmed in detail by a transmission electron microscope (TEM, Hitachi HF-2000) operated at 200 kV and Raman spectroscopy (Jovin Yvon T-64000) with an Ar laser at 488 nm. The transport properties of azafullerene peapods are studied in both dark and upon light illumination. Compared with p-type characteristics of  $C_{60}$  fullerene encapsulated SWNTs (Fig.1) or DWNTs, our results indicate that n-type semiconducting SWNTs (Fig.2) or DWNTs can be formed by the  $C_{59}N$  fullerene encapsulation, demonstrating electron donor behavior of C<sub>59</sub>N, which is in excellent agreement with a related theoretical predication [1]. The photoinduced transport characteristics of peapods are also investigated, and the distinct response of FET devices to light is reflected in a shift of threshold voltage toward negative voltages. More interestingly, after removing of the light the photoresponse is fully recoverable.



Fig.1 Characteristic of  $I_{DS}$ - $V_G$  for C60@SWNTFig.2 Characteristic of  $I_{DS}$ - $V_G$  for C59@SWNT $(V_G: gate voltage, I_{DS}: source-drain current)$ 

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# Embedding of Carbon Nanotubes on Silicon substrates for use in Solar Cells

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## Abstract

Carbon nanotubes bundles were precisely grown atop a p-type silicon wafer that had been treated with catalysts to produce geometries that resemble three-dimensional nano-models to extract more power from the sun. The embedded carbon nanotubes bundles on silicon wafer promise more opportunity for each photon of sunlight to interact with resulting solar cell, as a result of increase of surface area available to produce electricity. The paper discusses morphology and properties of grown nanotubes on silicon wafer along with future prospects of Si-CNTs fabricated solar cells.

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## Synthesis of single-walled carbon nanotubes by arc plasma reactor with twelve-phase alternating current discharge

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#### Abstract

Several methods for synthesis of CNTs such as DC arc-discharge [1, 2], laser ablation and thermal chemical vapor deposition (CVD) have been presented. The DC arc-discharge method can synthesize CNTs in highest quality than the other methods mentioned above. However, its yields are much lower. Up to date, CVD method is the mainstream of mass fabrication of CNTs [3]. In order to avoid the disadvantage of the DC arc-discharge method, the twelve-phase AC arc-discharge method has been developed [4]. In general, multiple-phase AC discharge plasma has unique features as follow [5, 6]; (a) no discharge break in spite of using very low frequency (in this case 60Hz) discharge, (b) rotation of discharge area depend on the frequency of the power source, (c) very low velocity and enriched uniform plasma production in wide space, almost 180mm in diameter, surrounded by multiple electrodes. Single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWCNT) are synthesized in methane gases by using this new type of arc plasma reactor. The felt like SWCNTs shown in Fig.1 are observed in high yield. The structure shown in Fig.2 of the inner diameter and the outer diameter is estimated 3nm and 4nm, respectively. The highest ratio of G-band (1580cm-1) and D-band (1360cm-1) measured by Raman spectrum shown in Fig. 3 is approximately 14. The catalyst was fed from the carbon electrodes containing 4.2% Atom-Ni and 1% Atom-Y. The effects of substrate temperature, gas pressure, kind of gas were investigated.



Fig.1 SEM image



Fig.2TEM image



Fig.3 Raman spectrum

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# Electronic structures at edges of carbon nanotube and molecular dynamics simulations

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Cutting surface and edge of carbon materials are important in electronic conductivity and growth of materials, etc. When a catalyst is adsorbed at an edge in a growing carbon nanotube (CNT), we are interested in the change of electronic structure. The catalyst such as iron, nickel and cobalt, usually has a magnetic moment and the magnetism should be taken into account in study of the electronic structure. In investigations of edges for carbon materials, Fujita and his co-workers found that there are localized electronic states which are called 'edge-state'[1] at zigzag edges terminated by signle hydrogen atoms. Since this discovery, many theoretical studies have been performed for zigzag edges. Supposing the 'root-growth'[2] model in which the CNT grows up with the catalyst kept on the substrate, we would like to clarify electronic structures at CNT edges.

We have investigated electronic structures at armhair- and zigzag-edges without hydrogen termination and when the iron atom is adsorbed to each edge by using first-principles calculation based on the Kohn-Sham theory. We used a pseudopotential plane wave method and a generalzied gradient approximation. We have calculated the armchair- and zigzag-ribbon, CNT(5,5) and (9,0) which have armchair- and zigzag edges at both side, respectively. Furthermore, we have calculated these CNTs which are closed by a half of fulleren  $C_{60}$  at one side, and adsorbed by an iron atom at the other side.

In armchair edges, the HOMO and LUMO which form  $\pi$ -bondings have weights at the nearest neighbor atom of the edge rather than the edge atom itself. In zigzag edges, both the dangling bond state and  $p_z$  component are clearly spin-polarized around the Fermi level and thus, the edge atoms have a magnetic moment. The spin-polarization of the  $p_z$  component is slightly weakened by the curvature of CNT, compared with results in the zigzag-ribbon.

We will present the atomic and electronic structures in the CNTs which adsorb an iron atom and some of molecular dynamics simulations in growing CNT.

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# Phase transition from Tomonaga-Luttinger liquid states to superconductive phase in carbon nanotubes

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Abstract: We have reported superconductivity (SC) in arrays of multi-walled carbon nanotubes (MWNTs) from viewpoints of both abrupt resistance drop with  $T_c = 12K$  [1] and Meissner effect with  $T_c = \sim 20K$  [2]. Based on these reports, some theories for the SC have been proposed and are attracting considerable attention [3-5]. One of the very interesting points of the SC is electron correlation in one-dimensional space; i.e., interplay between SC phase (phonon-mediated attractive Coulomb interaction) and Tominaga-Luttinger liquids (TLL; repulsive Coulomb interaction).

Here, we report the detailed observation of this interplay in relationships of normalized conductance vs. ev/kT of partially end-bonded MWNTs [6]. We find that the observed results are qualitatively consistent with previous reports of TLL states in CNTs, while a deviation due to emergence of the SC appears at temperatures  $< T_c$  and small eV/kT values. We interpret this based on carrier-doping and low-energy theory [7]. Half carrier filling and a large electron-phonon coupling parameter may lead to electron coupling with low-energy acoustic phonons and, then, cause transitions from spin-density wave regime to SC phase via TLL states.

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## **Cooperative Behaviors in Carbene Additions through Local Modifications of Nanotube Surface**

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Chemical functionalization in which covalent bonds are formed between adsorbents and a single walled carbon nanotube (SWNT) can modify interesting properties of a SWNT. Up to now, only highly reactive reagents are available to attach covalently into a SWNT surface. For example, Haddon et al. reported that SWNTs treated by nitric-acid were successfully functionalized by divalent carbene-derivatives [1]. Due to their highly chemical reactivities, it is quite difficult to control their adsorptions sites.

In order to develop a strategy for site-specific functionalization of a nanotube by carbene (CH<sub>2</sub>), we investigated two carbene additions to a (5,5) SWNT by means of density functional theory (DFT) PW91 calculations using periodic boundary conditions [2]. As a result, we found cooperative behaviors in binding sites between the first and second CH<sub>2</sub> absorbents through "local" modifications of the SWNT surface induced by covalent bond

formation with an inner  $CH_2$ molecule. In contrast, such local modifications cannot be observed in the case of bond formation between the SWNT and an outer CH<sub>2</sub> molecule. Thus, the PW91 DFT calculations show that the local modifications. created the bv endohedral addition, influence site preferences for second CH<sub>2</sub> additions, and the effects are limited to the vicinity of the binding site.



Figure 1 Double CH<sub>2</sub> addition into a (5,5) nanotube

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## Location of the Metal Atoms in Ce2@C78 and Its Bis-silylated Derivative

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Abstract: Endohedral metallofullerenes have received extensive attention owing to their fascinating structures, properties and chemical reactivities.<sup>1</sup> Especially, considerable interest is now directed toward the dimetallofullerenes such as  $La_2@C_{80}^2$  and  $Ce_2@C_{80}^3$  because of the three-dimensional random motion of the two metal atoms inside the fullerene cage. However, the dynamic behavior of the metal atoms in other dimetallofullerenes has not been investigated yet. Herein we report the synthesis and characterization of  $Ce_2@C_{78}$  and its bissilylated derivative. The location of the metal atoms in  $Ce_2@C_{78}$  and the bis-silylated derivative has been investigated by means of spectroscopic and single-crystal X-ray structural analyses.<sup>4</sup>



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# <sup>13</sup>C NMR Spectroscopic Study of <sup>13</sup>C-enriched Carbide-encapsulated Scandium Metallofullerenes

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Much attention has been paid to encapsulation of a metal carbide, since the first isolation and characterization of a metal carbide-encapsulated metallofullerene,  $Sc_2C_2@C_{84}$ , by MEM/Rietveld analysis of synchrotron powder diffraction data.<sup>1</sup> Recently, we have succeeded in determining the structures of  $Sc_3C_2@C_{80}(I_h)^2$  and  $Sc_2C_2@C_{82}(C_{3\nu})^{3,4}$  by <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy and X-ray single-crystal structure analyses, although previously it had been believed that they have the  $Sc_3@C_{82}$  and  $Sc_2@C_{84}$  structures, respectively. Nishibori and co-workers have applied the MEM/Rietveld method to  $Y_2C_2@C_{82}(C_{3\nu})$ ,  $^5 Sc_2C_2@C_{82}(C_{3\nu})^6$  and  $Sc_3C_2@C_{80}(I_h)$ .<sup>7</sup> However, it remains an important goal to disclose the electronic properties of their encapsulated C<sub>2</sub> units. Attempts to detect the <sup>13</sup>C NMR signals of the encapsulated C<sub>2</sub> units of metal carbide-metallofullerenes have not been successful so far. The inability to observe the <sup>13</sup>C NMR signals of the C<sub>2</sub> unit may rotate inside the carbon cages. It is challenge to observe the <sup>13</sup>C NMR signal of the C<sub>2</sub> unit to disclose its electronic and magnetic property.

We herein report <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of  $Sc_2C_2@C_{82}(C_{3\nu})$  and  $[Sc_3C_2@C_{80}(I_h)]^-$  highly enriched in <sup>13</sup>C isotope. <sup>13</sup>C NMR signals of the carbon cages for  $Sc_2C_2@C_{82}(C_{3\nu})$  and  $[Sc_3C_2@C_{80}(I_h)]^-$  were completely assigned by 2D INADEQUATE experiments.

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## Reaction of La@C<sub>82</sub> with Cyclopentadiene Derivatives

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It is extremely important to develop a reversible addition reaction of endohedral metallofullerenes, since reversible addition reaction is one of the useful methods for separation and regioselective functionalization of fullerenes by protection of their reactive site. In this context, we reported the reversible and regioselective addition reaction of La@C<sub>82</sub> with cyclopentadiene (CP), in which the kinetic parameters for the retro-reaction of La@C<sub>82</sub>(CP) were determined.<sup>1</sup> In the reversible reaction, substituent effect is one of the important factor of controlling reactivity and stability of the adducts. It has been reported that an adduct of C<sub>60</sub> with 1,2,3,4,5-pentamethylcyclopentadiene (CP<sup>\*</sup>) is more stable than C<sub>60</sub>(CP).<sup>2</sup> Herein, we report the reversible addition reaction of La@C<sub>82</sub> with CP<sup>\*</sup> and the stability of its adduct. We will also discuss the kinetical parameter of this addition reaction in detail.



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#### STM-tip Current Induced Polymerization of Ce<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub> Metallofullerenes

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Polymerization of  $C_{60}$  molecules induced by electron/hole injection from an STM tip has been studied previously [1,2]. In these studies, a polymerization mechanism was proposed due to [2+2] cycloaddition with the formation of four-membered ring between adjacent  $C_{60}$ molecules. However, the detail of the polymerization mechanism has not been clear.

Here, we have studied the polymerization of metallofullerenes such as  $Ce_2@C_{80}$ , and  $Lu_2@C_{76}$  in reference to that of  $C_{60}$  induced by electron injection from an STM tip. We also investigated the effect of the reaction temperature. The results indicate that the metallofullerenes are much less easier to polymerize compared to  $C_{60}$  by the STM-tip current.

The samples were prepared by vacuum sublimation of the metallofullerenes onto Si(111) and Au(111). All the sample preparation and STM measurements were performed under UHV conditions. Figure 1 shows an STM image of a Ce<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub> thin layer on a Si(111) surface after

electron injection at a sample bias voltage of  $V_s = +3.5$  V and a tunneling current of  $I_t = 0.2$  nA for 30 seconds at room temperature. The molecules in dark contrasts represent polymerized Ce<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub> molecules. The internal images observed in the dark contrasts indicate no free rotation of the molecules is occurring, which is similar to the C<sub>60</sub> case.

We found that the polymerization efficiency of  $Ce_2@C_{80}$  is less than that of  $C_{60}$  and that at a low temperature of 115 K Ce<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub> are not polymerized. In particular,  $Lu_2(a)C_{76}$  has not shown any STM-tip induced polymerization even at room temperature. The STM-tip current induced polymerization is, therefore, strongly dependent on the type of fullerenes as well as temperature, suggesting the reaction that the configuration of each adjacent fullerene's reactive site and propagation of electrons are crucial for the polymerization reaction.



Figure 1: STM image of a Ce<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub> thin layer on a Si(111) surface after electron injection at  $V_s = +3.5$  V,  $I_t =$ 0.2 nA for 30 seconds at room temperature.

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#### Relative Stability of Metallofullerenes Sc<sub>3</sub>N@C<sub>70</sub>

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To evaluate relative stability of endohedral metallofullerenes  $Sc_3N@C_{70}$ , all 8149 isomers of  $C_{70}$  classical fullerenes <sup>[1]</sup> have been calculated at hexa-anion state by AM1 quantum chemical method. Five isomers with lower energies of  $C_{70}^{-6}$ , including the only IPR structure and four non-IPR ones, were re-optimized at B3LYP/6-31G\* and HF/6-31G\* levels of theory, their results reveal good accordance to AM1 method. Then the five lower energy cages were encapsulated with Sc<sub>3</sub>N cluster and evaluated at B3LYP/3-21G\* and B3LYP/6-31G\* levels of theory for Carbon atoms, with the

effective core potentials for Scandium atoms. All results show that isomer  $Sc_3N@C_{70}$ -id133462 (Spiral No. 7854) of  $C_{2\nu}$  symmetry with 3 adjacent pentagons has the lowest energy and the highest HOMO-LUMO gap of 2.12 eV (6-31G\*). It seems that the encapsulation of  $Sc_3N$  cluster can remarkably improve relative stability of  $Sc_3N@C_{70}$ id133462 through localizing three scandium atoms by three pentagon pairs.



Fig. 1: Sc<sub>3</sub>N@C<sub>70</sub>: id133462

According to B3LYP/6-31G\* results, the optimizations of  $C_{70}$  hexa-anions revealed that  $C_{70}^{-6}$ : id1003 (Spiral No.

7957), a structure with two pentagon pairs, played as the second most stable isomer with small relative energy. However, encapsulation of Sc<sub>3</sub>N cluster results in a large relative energy of 30.8 kcal/mol. Similarly, Sc<sub>3</sub>N encapsulation into the only IPR cage of C<sub>70</sub> produces a separation energy of 46.4 kcal/mol to Sc<sub>3</sub>N@ id133462, while its B3LYP energy of hexa-anion locates only 13.6 kcal/mol higher than that of id133462.

The lowest energy and largest HOMO-LUMO gap indicate the domination state of  $Sc_3N@C_{70}$ -id133462 among  $Sc_3N@C_{70}$  yields, which is consistent with experiment<sup>[2]</sup>. The  $Sc_2@C_{70}$  isomers evaluated with entropy analyses have also shown the lower energies and more complex stability property compared with  $Sc_3N@C_{70}$  ones. The thermodynamic stabilities of  $Sc_3N@C_{70}$  and  $Sc_2@C_{70}$ <sup>[3]</sup> are discussed as well.

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#### Cage Size Dependence on Photoluminescence Properties of Erbium-Carbide Metallofullerenes: (Er<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>)@C<sub>2n</sub>

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We have recently found that an erbium-carbide metallofullerene  $(Er_2C_2)@C_{82}(C_{3v}(8))$  exhibits enhanced photoluminescence (PL) among the several isomers of  $Er_2@C_{82}$  and  $(Er_2C_2)@C_{82}[1]$ . The presence of encapsulated  $C_2$  molecule enhances the PL intensity in  $(Er_2C_2)@C_{82}(C_{3v}(8))$ . In a previous study, we reported the cage size dependence on PL intensities of Er-carbide metallofullerenes with various carbon cages:  $(Er_2C_2)@C_{2n}(2n=74, 80, 82 \text{ and } 84)$  together with the relationship between the PL intensities and the HOMO-LUMO gaps[2]. Here, we report PL properties with other erbium-carbide metallofullerenes having higher fullerene cages, i.e.,  $(Er_2C_2)@C_{2n}(2n=86 \text{ and } 88)$ .

Figure 1 shows emission spectra of  $(Er_2C_2)@C_{2n}$  (2n=80,86 and 88) in CS<sub>2</sub> solution at room temperature, which stem from *f-f* transitions of  $Er^{3+}$  (<sup>4</sup>I<sub>13/2</sub> $\rightarrow$ <sup>4</sup>I<sub>15/2</sub>) in the carbon cage. The spectral features of these spectra are almost similar to each other, whereas the PL intensities differ from each other. For example, the PL intensity of  $(Er_2C_2)@C_{86}$  is three times stronger than those of  $(Er_2C_2)@C_{80}$  and  $(Er_2C_2)@C_{88}$ . The HOMO-LUMO gap of  $(Er_2C_2)@C_{86}$ , estimated from the absorption onset, is larger than those of other  $(Er_2C_2)@C_{2n}$ . The PL intensities of these higher Er-metallofullerenes also depend on the HOMO-LUMO gap as observed in the  $Er_2@C_{82}$  and  $(Er_2C_2)@C_{82}$  case.



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Single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) have generally been regarded as almost contrast-less container materials in previous studies on their incorporation of various molecules using transmission electron microscopy (TEM). Recently, however, hexagonal networks of carbon atoms in SWNTs have been directly detected by aberration-corrected TEM,<sup>[1,2]</sup> in which spherical aberration coefficient of the electron lens is reduced to nearly zero in order to improve the spatial resolution. This observation technique should also be able to visualize more detailed structures of encapsulated species inside SWNTs, such as individual fullerene molecules.

Here, time-dependent orientational changes of  $C_{80}(D_{5d})$  and  $Er_3N@C_{80}(I_h)$  fullerenes inside SWNTs were directly observed by aberration-corrected TEM at atomic-level resolution.<sup>[3]</sup> Detailed structure of the ellipsoidal  $C_{80}(D_{5d})$  fullerene (Fig. 1)

as well as the endohedral structure of  $\operatorname{Er}_3N@C_{80}(I_h)$  was unambiguously identified by TEM images. Even a slight orientational change and/or a slight translational motion of each encapsulated fullerene molecule could be detected with respect to the graphene structure of the outer SWNT by aberration-corrected TEM.

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Fig. 1. Sequential TEM images of  $C_{80}(D_{5d})$  fullerenes inside the (18,1) SWNT. Scale bar = 1 nm.

# Coating of BN nanotubes with metal oxides using novel ethanol-thermal method

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A novel ethanol-thermal method was developed to coat BN nanotubes (BNNTs) with metal oxides. It was confirmed that various oxides, e.g. iron and terbium oxides, could be coated on BNNT surfaces using this method. The coating structures and compositions were investigated by high-resolution transmission electron microscopy (HRTEM), Electron energy loss spectroscopy (EELS) and X-ray diffraction (XRD). It was observed that the coating layers had usually exhibited amorphous or polycrystalline nature, which was found to be advantageous for getting uniform coatings. The influence of experimental conditions on the coating morphology/structure and its mechanism were also discussed. Cathodoluminescence studies show that BNNTs coated with terbium oxide possess the emissions which can be expressed as a superposition of those coming from BNNTs and trivalent Tb. It is envisaged that the present composite nanomaterials may find potential applications in high active catalysts and photoelectrical devices.

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Polyynes,  $H(C \equiv C)_n H$ , can be accommodated into single-wall carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) and detected by Raman signals for the stretching vibrational modes around ~2050 cm<sup>-1</sup> [1,2]. The Raman intensity for  $C_{2n}H_2@SWNT$  is explainable by the resonance effects [3]. However, from the Raman intensity itself, it is difficult to estimate the number of molecules entrapped in the SWNTs.

In order to estimate the number of trapping sites for polyynes in SWNTs, we measured Raman intensity for several samples of  $C_{10}H_2$ @SWNT. A piece of about 1 mg of SWNTs (laser ablation at 1150 °C, 500 Torr Ar, Ni/Co 0.6/0.6 wt %) was sintered in solutions of  $C_{10}H_2$  in hexane (0.03 – 0.26 mmol/l, 5.0 ml) and kept at 80 °C for 48 hours. After being dried, the Raman spectra of the polyyne-containing SWNTs were measured. The intensity of the polyyne-stretching Raman band at 2066 cm<sup>-1</sup> relative to that of a band of SWNTs was plotted as a function of initial concentrations and analyzed as shown in Fig. 1.

of Adsorbed Sites (µmol)

Number

At low concentration, most of the polyyne molecules prepared in the solution are adsorbed after a sufficiently long time. Thus, the Raman intensity will increase proportionally to the concentration. At high concentration, most of the trapping sites available in the SWNTs are filled with the molecules. Then, the Raman intensity will saturate. By finding a critical condition where the number of the trapping sites is balanced with the number of the prepared molecules, we made a rough estimation for the upper limit of the adsorption efficiency to be 1 polyyne molecule per  $\sim 3.5 \times 10^2$  carbon atoms in the SWNTs.



the concentration dependence of the Raman intensity of  $v_3$  for  $C_{10}H_2$ @SWNT.

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#### Direct Observation on Formation Process of Nanopeapods by *in-situ* X-ray Diffraction Measurements

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The so-called nanopeapods have attracted wide range of researchers owing not only to their interesting low-dimensional structure but also to possible applications such as field effect transistors and molecular devices [1]. Observation of formation process and clarifying the formation mechanism of nanopeapods are essential to development of the efficient synthesis method. Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) has generally been used to characterize structures of nanopeapods. However, it is difficult to perform *in-situ* observation of the formation process of nanopeapods by TEM. In addition, TEM provides only local structural information. X-ray diffraction (XRD) is a complementary method, which realizes not only *in-situ* observation but also obtaining bulk structure information. Here, we report direct observation of the fullerene encapsulation process by *in-situ* X-ray diffraction.

SWNTs were prepared by the laser ablation method.  $C_{60}$  and  $Ce@C_{82}$  fullerenes were used for encapsulates. Empty SWNTs and fullerenes were mixed in a quartz capillary, which was vacuum-sealed at 400 K to remove adsorbed gases and residual water molecules. *In-situ* X-ray diffraction measurements at high temperatures have been performed every 5 minutes at 723, 773, 823, and 923 K. The x-ray wavelength used in this diffraction studies was 0.8 Å. All the measurements have been done at SP-ring8, BL02B2.

Figure 1 shows XRD patterns of a mixture of SWNTs and C<sub>60</sub>. Left and right figures show the

diffraction patterns obtained at 723 K and 823 K, respectively. Due to the encapsulation of  $C_{60}$  molecules, the intensity of (10) peaks, which are seen around  $2\theta = 3.2$  degree, have significantly decreased. At the same time, a new peak arising from 1-dimentional regulated array of  $C_{60}$  appears at around  $2\theta = 4.7$  degree.

We will discuss details of the temperature dependence on a fullerene encapsulation rate and a saturated filling ratio.



Fig.1. *In-situ* XRD pattern of peapod formation process (Left: 723 K, Right: 823 K)

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## Fabrication of Metal-Nanowire in Carbon Nanotube Via Nano-Template Reaction

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Single-wall carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) have an ideal nanometer-scale and one-dimensional internal space where unique low-dimensional nanomaterials can be encapsulated and synthesized. For example, low-dimensional metal halides and metal alloy crystals have been synthesized in SWNTs by the liquid phase encapsulation method<sup>[1,2]</sup>.

For further exploring novel low-dimensional nanomaterials in carbon nanotubes, we have developed a Nano-Template Reaction technique to fabricate metal nanowires by using SWNTs and metallofullerenes. In this reaction, to create low-dimensional metal nanowires, we have utilized well-aligned one-dimensional array of metallofullerenes (Gd@C<sub>82</sub>) in SWNTs (i.e., peapod). We have found that the one-dimensional array of Gd@C<sub>82</sub> was converted effectively to Gd-metal nanowires by high-temperature heat treatment. A similar heat treatment has already been reported for C<sub>60</sub> array in SWNTs, which results in formation of double-wall carbon nanotubes (DWNTs)<sup>[3]</sup>.

We have characterized the Gd-nanowire by high resolution transmission electron microscopy (HRTEM) and Raman Spectroscopy. Based on HRTEM images (Fig.1) together with the multi-slice image simulation, we suggest that the typical nanowires synthesized here possess a  $2 \times 2$  structure as schematically shown in Fig.2. Interestingly, this structure does not correspond to any of bulk Gd crystal structures ever reported. Furthermore, other types of Gd-nanowire structures have also been easily observed by HRTEM. In this presentation, we will discuss detailed structures of these Gd nanowires encapsulated in SWNTs.

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Figue.2 Structure model of Gd-nanowire@CNT

## Optimization of Conditions for Formation of Carbon Nanotubes Filled Perfectly with Copper Nanowire

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Copper nanowires (CuNWs) have been extensively studied as a material for next generation electronic nanodevices. However, some problems related to quality, such as stability, crystallinity, and long one-dimensional growth, still remain. The hybridization of CuNWs and carbon nanotubes has been tried as one of the ideas for improving the quality of CuNWs. Arc discharge is believed to be one of the better methods for formation of CuNW-filled multi-wall carbon nanotubes (CuNW@MWNTs). We have recently reported that perfectly filled CuNW@MWNTs can be produced at more than 90% of the filling rate by using the hydrogen arc discharge method. In this study we investigated the effect of a copper content in an electrode and the arc current on the yield and the filling rate.

CuNW@MWNTs were produced by the conventional DC arc discharge. A hole (3 mm diameter) was drilled in the center of a graphite anode (5 mm diameter) and filled with a mixture of graphite and copper powder. The graphite powder and copper powder were mixed by choosing a copper/graphite atomic ratio of 0-100%. A 20 mm in diameter graphite rod was used for the cathode. The two electrodes were set vertically in a vacuum chamber. Hydrogen gas was filled up the chamber at a pressure of 0.1 MPa and was flowed at 500 ml/min during arc vaporization. Arc discharge was maintained at 50-90 A for 1 min.

The yield and filling rate of the CuNW@MWNTs were very low in the case of low copper content (Fig. 1(a)). SEM observation revealed that the yield and the filling rate of CuNW@MWNTs increased gradually with the copper content in the anode (Fig. 1(b)). In the case of copper content of 100% CuNW@MWNTs were included in soot that was deposited in the largest quantities on the inner wall of the chamber (Fig. 1(c)). Figure 1(d) shows that the obtained CuNW@MWNTs had 10-45 nm diameters

and the filling rate of the MWNTs was extremely high. Many TEM observations clarified that more than 90% of the as-prepared MWNTs were filled perfectly with CuNWs. The CuNW@MWNTs consists of less than 10-nanotube layers and fcc copper crystals inside the MWNT in a long-range order. The distance between the lattice fringes of the filled copper crystals was measured at about 0.21 nm, which is identical to the d-spacing of the (111) atomic plane of copper.

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Fig. 1 SEM images of the chamber soot obtained by using the anodes including copper of (a) 10, (b) 70 and (c) 100%. (d) TEM image of CuNW@MWNTs corresponding to (c).

## Synthesis and Characterization of Carbon Nanotubes Encapsulating Erbium-Chrolide Nanowires

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Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) encapsulating metal compounds nanowire (MNW-CNTs) have attracted wide interests because such CNTs may exhibit novel electronic and magnetic properties due to unique low-dimensional structures as well as the possible presence of charge transfer between CNTs and encapsulated nanowires. In this respect, high filling ratio of nanowires is essential to explore properties of MNW-CNTs. Here, we report synthesis of MNW-CNTs of high-filling-ratios and structural characterization of encapsulated nanowires based on TEM observations together with simulated annealing calculations of the observed TEM images.

Cap-opened CNTs and ErCl<sub>3</sub> were high-temperature heat treated at 800  $^{\circ}$ C under a vacuum of 10<sup>-4</sup> Pa. The sample was then washed in ethanol by ultrasonication and dried at 80  $^{\circ}$ C. Figure 1 shows a TEM image of ErCl<sub>3</sub>@CNTs. Based on the TEM images, the filling ratio is estimated as high as 90 %, and the mean length of ErCl<sub>3</sub> nanowire is ca. 50 nm. Minimization of the coulomb interaction energy exerted in the nanowires by a simulated annealing calculation, we have constructed a structure model of ErCl<sub>3</sub> nanowire as shown in Fig.2. This simulated structure model well reproduces the observed TEM images (Fig. 3). We will also discuss the magnetic property of these novel CNT materials.



Fig. 1 HR-TEM image of MNW-CNTs



Fig. 3 The result of TEM the image simulation

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# Nucleation of an SWNT from a catalytic metal cluster inside a carbon nanotube template: MD simulations of DWNT formation

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Molecular encapsulation in the hollow space of a carbon nanotube has attracted interests with various potential applications. The filling technique has also opened a path to realize controlled chemical reaction in nanoscale chamber for atomic scale selectivity. Experiments have been reported on formation of DWNT from  $C_{60}$  fullerenes peapods [1] and ferrocene filled SWNT [2, 3]. The reports demonstrate that the growth mechanism of the inner tube depends on filler precursor.

In this work, we perform MD simulations of the nucleation process of SWNTs from a catalytic metal cluster inside an SWNT template to gain understanding in the growth mechanism. The methodology is inherited from the previous works on nucleation of SWNTs from isolated catalytic metal clusters [4]. As an initial condition, a Ni cluster with dissolved carbon atoms is placed in a rigid carbon nanotube. By supplying carbon atoms to the metal cluster, with keeping the number of free carbon atoms constant, nucleation of the inner SWNT was observed. Figure 1 shows the nucleation process at different time of the reaction. Once the open surface of the metal cluster is covered with carbon atoms, the feed carbon atoms are adsorbed onto Ni atoms adjacent to the outertube wall. Eventually, the supersaturated carbon atoms inside the metal cluster surface lifts of and the cap can be recognized together with the tubal structure. Dependence of the phenomena on the metal-cluster size and outer-tube diameter will be discussed.

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Fig. 1 Nucleation process from a catalytic metal cluster inside carbon nanotube

#### SWNH as an Effective Delivery System for Macromolecule Anti-cancer Drugs

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Single Wall Carbon Nanohorn (SWNH) is a new kind of nano-carbon material, which has hornlike structure with  $2\sim5$  nm diameter. Usually about 2,000 SWNHs assemble to form an spherical aggregate with diameter of around  $80\sim100$  nm.<sup>1</sup> The SWNH aggregate emerges as an attractive candidate for a drug delivery system (DDS). It is specially promising to carry an anticancer drug, many of which are water insoluble macromolecules and highly toxic, to make them effectively delivered, and released in a controlled way.

In this study, we incorporated Docetaxel (Doc), an anticancer drug used for stomach cancer, breast cancer, non-small cell lung cancer and so on, into hydrogen peroxide treated SWNHs by modified nano-precipitation method. The weight percent of incorporated Doc is around 28%. Taking advantage of those carboxylic groups on SWNHs, we firstly introduced amine-PEO3-biotin to the conjugate to improve the hydrophilicity, which was identified by energy dispersive x-ray analysis. Then, streptavidin, a small protein, was attached on the complex due to the high affinity between streptavidin and biotin. The weight percent of streptavidin is estimated roughly to be 25%.

Furthermore. investigated anticancer we the effectiveness of Doc@SWNH-Streptavidin using a stomach cancer cell line. The cytotoxicity experiment was conducted using WST-1 reagent The cells were incubated with Doc, (Figure 1). SWNH-Streptavidin and Doc@SWNH-Streptavidin (~3 ug/ml) respectively for two days. We found that the viability of the cells with Doc@SWNH-Streptavidin decreased dramatically: only 1/3 of that of the cells with SWNH-Streptavidin. These indicate that Doc can be delivered by SWNH-Streptavidin into the cells and the released Doc causes cell death. Thus, we think SWNH-Streptavidin could be an effective DDS.



Figure 1. Cytotoxicity experiments using cancer cells incubated with Doc (B), SWNH-Streptavidin (C) and Doc@SWNH-Streptavidin.

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## Gd oxide particles confined inside single-wall carbon nanohorns

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Single-wall carbon nanohorns (SWNHs) have inherent hollow spaces, and the holes can be opened easily by the oxidation (SWNHox). Various kinds of materials, such as  $C_{60}$  [1, 2] and Pt-compound [3], can be incorporated inside SWNHox, however, the incorporated materials are exposed to the surrounding gases, solvents, etc. Recently, experimental results and theoretical calculations indicated that the small-holes can be closed by heat-treatment in Ar atmosphere at 1200°C (SWNHh) [4]. In this study, we confined the Gd particles to inside space of SWNHox, which is a potential contrast agent for magnetic resonance imaging. We also found that Gd compounds moved by capillary suction mechanism during the heat treatments, which was useful to infer the structure of the aggregate of SWNH.

Gd acetate (50 mg) and SWNHox (50 mg) dispersed and stirred in ethanol (20 ml) at room temperature for about 12 hours. The mixture was filtered and washed with ethanol (20 ml) two times to remove the excess Gd acetate existing outside SWNHox and dried for 24 hours in vacuum at 50°C (Gd@SWNHox). The Gd@SWNHox was heat-treated for 3 hours at 1200°C under an Ar atmosphere (760 Torr).

Specific surface area and pore size distribution estimated from N<sub>2</sub>-adsorption isotherm at 77K showed that holes were closed by heat treatment and Gd compounds were confined inside SWNHs. STEM/EELS results indicated that Gd acetate changed to  $Gd_2O_3$  and moved to tips of sheath of SWNHs and center of SWNH aggregates. Besides these, we also found that  $Gd_2O_3$  with 10~20 nm sizes near the center of SWNH aggregates. The details are shown in the presentation.

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# Effect of compression pressure on the electrical resistivity for the pellet formed from nanohorns

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Electrical resistivity for the pellet formed from nanohorns (NHs) became low with increasing the doping rate of boron to the nanohorns [1]. Temperature dependence of the electrical resistivity indicated a feature explainable by the mechanism based on the 3-dimentional variable hopping conduction (3D-VRH). range Characteristic temperature  $T_0$  of 3D-VRH for B-doped NHs closely depended on the doping rate and the electrical resistivity at room temperature  $(\rho_{RT})$  decreased with increasing the doping rate (see Fig. 1a).

We consider that the change of  $T_0$  is originated in the increase of the electronic density near the Fermi-level due to substitutional doping of boron to the NH-wall. Similar phenomenon was also observed in B-doped nanotubes [2]. However, the detection of boron in the NH-wall has not been succeeded due to possibly low doping rate (< 1000 ppm atomic). In the present study, we carried out the experiments of pressure-dependence on the electrical resistivity that will tell whether or not the  $T_0$  values depend on the condition of contact between the NH-particles. Experimental results of temperature dependence of  $\rho_{RT}$ with a parameter of the pressure to form pellet are in Fig. 1b and summary of  $T_0$  and  $\rho_{RT}$  is in Fig. 2.

From Fig. 2, it can be found that  $T_0$  is not susceptible to the pressure but strongly depends on the doping rate. Difference is clear as indicated by the arrow-headed bar in Fig. 2. On the other hand,  $\rho_{RT}$  is rapidly decreased with increasing the pressure. These facts also support that the change of  $T_0$  is purely the effect of boron doping and the electronic density certainly increases as a function of the doping rate.

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Fig. 1. Temperature dependence of the electrical resistivity for the pellet formed from nanohorns. (a) is for B-doped NHs with different B-doping rate. The pellet was formed with a pressure of  $\sim$ 780 kg/cm<sup>2</sup>. (b) is for un-doped NHs, but the pellets were formed at various pressures.



Fig. 2. Pressure dependence of  $\rho_{RT}$  of un-doped NHs (open and closed circles) and doping rate dependence of NHs (open and closed triangles). B content does not mean the doping rate.

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#### Anti-Cancer Effect of ZnPc-Nanohorn-Protein in vivo

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Recently, we fabricated a nanohorn-based hybrid as a drug delivery system for photodynamic therapy (PDT): a photosensitizer, zinc phthalocyanine (ZnPc) was loaded on single-wall carbon nanohorn (SWNH) with hole-opened (SWNHox) and SWNHox was modified with a protein of bovine serum albumin (BSA). We previously showed that the ZnPc-SWNHox-BSA was taken up by the cultured rat cancer cells and destructed the cells when the 670-nm laser was irradiated. The efficiency of ZnPc-SWNHox-BSA on killing cancer cells was higher than the intact ZnPc was used [1]. We expected the similar PDT advantage of ZnPc-SWNHox-BSA over ZnPc would appear in vivo, and carried out the animal (mouse) testing as presented in this report.

We subcutaneously transplanted the cultured rat cancer cells to nude mice, and bred the mice under appropriate conditions. The ZnPc-SWNHox-BSA was prepared by the same method as we previously reported [1]: SWNHox was prepared by light-assisted oxidation [2], ZnPc was loaded on SWNHox, and BSA was attached to the –COOH groups of SWNHox [2]. ZnPc and ZnPc-SWNHox-BSA were dispersed in PBS with a sonicator, and the obtained homogeneous-dispersions were intratumorally injected to the tumors of the mice. The tumor sizes and mouse-body weights were measured everyday after intratumoral injection. We found that the tumor volumes increased with days irrespective of the specimens injected into tumors when the laser was not irradiated, suggesting that ZnPc or ZnPc-SWNHox-BSA did not have any anticancer effects. However, when the 670-nm laser was irradiated on the tumors, the tumor growth was suppressed, exhibiting the PDT effect of ZnPc and ZnPc-SWNHox-BSA. It was also found that the PDT effect of ZnPc-SWNHox-BSA was much stronger than ZnPc. The reason for this is discussed in the talk.

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## Influence of formation technique of catalyst layer and addition of conductive material on performance of direct methanol fuel cell

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Direct methanol fuel cells (DMFC) are very promising power sources for portable applications and high efficiency due to simple handling and processing of fuel. In order to increase the output power of DMFC, it has been used that the catalyst which contained Pt/Ru supported on an arc-soot (AS)<sup>(1)</sup> which was synthesized by twin-torch-arc apparatus. This research discussed fabrication process of the membrane and electrode assembly (MEA) such as formation of the catalyst layer, selection of a carbon paper, and addition of a conductive material.

The catalyst layer was formed by dry squeegee technique. A dry catalyst powder of catalysts was putted on a carbon paper, it was smoothed out, and Nafion solution was dropped onto the catalyst powder to fix the catalyst powder and the carbon paper. The output power in case of the dry squeegee technique was applied to formation of catalyst layer was twice as high as that in case of a conventional technique was applied (Fig.1).

In this research, carbon nano-balloon (CNB) <sup>(2)</sup> was mixed in catalyst to decrease MEA resistance. Resistance and particle size of CNB (0.091 m $\Omega$ cm, 24 nm) was 1/50 and 1/2 as low and small as AS,



Fig. 1 Comparison of the formation techniques of catalyst layer of MEA.



Fig. 2 Variations of output power and MEA resistance with CNB content in catalyst.

respectively. It is shown in Fig. 2, at a CNB content of 25 wt.%, output power has a maximum (10 mW) and MEA resistance has a minimum (36 m $\Omega$ ). Incase of CNB content was greater than 25 wt.%, increasing CNB content caused increasing current course, because CNB had smaller particle size than Pt/Ru particles.

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# Close-Open-Close Evolution of Holes in Single-Wall Carbon Nanohorns Caused by Heat Treatment

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Our previous experimental results and theoretical calculations indicated that the holes at the tips of single-wall carbon nanohorns (SWNH) could be closed by the heat treatment at1200°C in Ar atmosphere [1]. We also found that the hole closing exhibited the close-open-close evolution during the heating when the hole sizes were about 0.7 nm [2]. When the hole sizes were smaller or larger, the close-open-close evolution did not appear, that is, the holes were closed and never re-opened [2]. The mechanism of these changes were investigated precisely, and presented in this report.

To open the holes, SWNHs were oxidized in flowing air by slow combustion method [3] (SWNHox) with various target temperatures (Tox  $300 \sim 500$  °C). For closing the holes, SWNHox was heat-treated at 1200°C in Ar for  $0 \sim 3$  h. The hole closing was examined by measuring xylene-adsorption quantity using thermogravimetric equipment [4].

The holes with sizes of about 0.7 nm that exhibited the close-open-close evolution by the 1200°C heat treatment were opened by the oxidation at Tox of 400 and 450°C. We stopped the heat treatment at 18 minute when the holes were closed, and at 198 minutes when the hole were re-opened, and the structures of these two types of SWNHox were examined. The transmission electron microscopy observation did not show any appreciable structure changes caused by the heat treatment, indicating that the close-open-close evolution did not accompany any overall structure-changes. IR spectrum and TPD mass-spectrrum measurements indicated that the oxygenated groups existing at the edges of holes of SWNHox were removed within the 18-minute of the heat treatment. We inferred from these data that the first quick-closing was oxygen mediated, the quickly-closed tips took an unstable structure, and this structural instability induced the re-opening. Using the oxygen mediated closing model, we could explain the mechanism of the simple thermal-closing of the holes with smaller or larger sizes.

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#### **Intravenous Toxicity of Single-Walled Carbon Nanohorns**

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Comprehensive *in vivo* and *in vitro* toxicity assessments showed low acute toxicity of as-grown single-walled carbon nanohorns (SWNHs) [1]. When hole-openings are introduced at tips and topological defects in sidewalls, SWNHs become to carry various drugs inside internal hollow spaces. Therefore, we proactively investigated intravenous toxicities of hole-opened single-walled carbon nanohorns (SWNHs) toward their biomedical applications. To investigate influence of physicochemical properties on the toxicities, we prepared three samples; hole-opened SWNHs by light-assisted  $H_2O_2$  oxidation (LAOx) [2] and slow combustion in air (SC) [3] methods, and the LAOx-SWNHs chemically-modified with a protein, bovine serum albumin (BSA).

Irrespective of the hole-opening methods or chemical modification with BSA, all mice (n = 5 for each group) received a single intravenous dose (6 or 8 mg/kg) of nanohorns dispersed in PBS survived the 2-26 week test periods and showed normal body weight gain. Black pigmentations were histopathologically observed in lumen of lung blood vessels, hepatic Kupffer cells, and spleen for all animals, but induced no toxicological lesions.

In the pulmonary vessels, the pigmentations accompanied vessel-wall thickenings for SC-SWNH; both levels of the pigmentation and the wall thickening were time-dependently reduced. We did not observe such wall thickenings for animals in the LAOx-SWNH and BSA-SWNH groups. BSA-SWNHs seemed to be taken up by cells, most likely pulmonic macrophages, at longer observation periods. On the other hand, there was no difference in the level and morphology of pigmentations in the liver and the spleen for any group. The detail will be discussed in the presentation.

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# Effect of Al oxide buffer layer on SWNT growth using alcohol gas source in high vacuum

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Recently, the growth mechanism of carbon nanotube (CNT) has been investigated using *in situ* observation techniques, such as transmission electron microscopy (TEM) and X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) [1, 2]. To clarify this growth mechanism, we have developed single-walled carbon nanotube (SWNT) growth in a high vacuum chamber using gas source method [3]. However, the yield of grown SWNT was not sufficient for *in situ* observation. In this study, we attempted to increase the yield of SWNT using Al oxide buffer layer and investigated the mechanism.

For the purpose of TEM observation, 200-mesh Mo grids were used as substrates. Firstly, the grids were introduced into an ultra-high vacuum (UHV) chamber and Al buffer layers were deposited on them using a pulsed arc plasma gun. The Al thickness was varied from 0 to 30 nm. Once the grids were exposed to air for oxidation of the Al layer, they were introduced into the chamber again, and Co (thickness ~0.1 nm) was deposited by an e-beam evaporator. Then, they were heated to the growth temperature (typically 700°C), and ethanol gas (pressure:  $1.0 \times 10^{-1}$  Pa) was supplied to grow SWNTs. The grown SWNTs were characterized by scanning electron microscopy (SEM), TEM and Raman spectroscopy (Ar laser: 514.5 nm).

Fig. 1 shows an SEM image of SWNTs grown on 30 nm  $Al_2O_x/Mo$  grid at 700°C. High-density vertically aligned CNTs were observed on the grid. From TEM observation, it was found that most of the grown CNTs were SWNTs. As the  $Al_2O_x$  thickness was reduced, the yield of SWNTs decreased, showing web-like structures. In addition, Co catalyst size seemed to decrease as the Al buffer thickness increased. This suggests that the increase of the SWNT yield was partly due to the increase of Co nanoparticles with 1-2 nm in diameter by suppression of Co coalescence. These results indicate that the support of Al oxide layer is effective for high-density SWNTs growth.

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Fig. 1 SEM image of SWNTs grown on 30 nm  $Al_2O_x/Mo$  grid.

## Dispersion and Separation of Single-Walled Carbon Nanotubes prepared by using metal-catalysts supported on Zeolite

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It is remarkable that a diameter selective synthesis of highly pure SWNTs has been achieved by temperature-controlled CVD of an alcohol on metal supported Zeolite [1]. In past several purification methods, removal of metal catalysts and Zeolite from SWNTs under severe purification conditions was required. However, SWNTs may be damaged under the conditions. Recently, an effective exfoliation method of SWNTs in organic solvents with an amine as a dispersion reagent [2] and a convenient amine-assisted separation method for SWNTs that makes metallic SWNTs enriched remarkably in a simple way [3] have been developed.

We report here purification of SWNTs, produced by the CVD method of an alcohol on metal supported Zeolite, was simply achieved through the dispersion-centrifugation process. The purified SWNTs were characterized on the basis of visible-near infrared absorption, photoluminescence and Raman spectroscopic analyses, and scanning electron microscopy observation. Moreover, selective extraction of metallic SWNTs was also accomplished by an optimized amine-assisted separation method.

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## A protocol to remove surfactants and gradient media from metallic and semiconducting single-wall carbon nanotubes in density gradient separations

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**Abstract:** Highly purified metallic and semiconducting single-wall carbon nanotubes (SWCNTs) can be obtained from density gradient centrifugations [Fig. 1(a)],<sup>1</sup> however, the estimated high purity has been derived from the ratio of metallic and semiconducting nanotubes. In a sample solution obtained just after the centrifugations, not only SWCNTs but also surfactants and gradient media exist, thus in this context the purity of SWCNTs is not high. Removal of surfactants and gradient media is important to correctly investigate the intrinsic characteristics of SWCNTs with a single electronic type. Here we propose the following removal protocol; filtration with centrifugations, methanol and HCl washing. In a sample, which is not sufficiently rinsed after centrifugations, the amount of residual metals was estimated to be approximately 30 % [Fig.1 (b)], suggesting the presence of sodium and other contaminants originated from the surfactants and gradient media. In a sample purified through our removal protocol, however, it became less than 1 %. HR-TEM images indicated that the presence of contaminants was small. X-ray photoelectron spectra showed that the carbon content of a sample after the removal processes is nearly 99 %.

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Fig. 1 (a) Absorption spectra of pristine (top), metallic (center) and semiconducting SWCNTs (bottom). (b) The results of thermogravimetric analysis of SWCNTs before and after our removal procedures.

## Diagnostics and Control of Growth of Vertical-aligned Carbon Nanotube Forest by Using a Telecentric Optical System

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The carbon nanotube (CNT) forest with properties of high-purity, vertical alignment, and millimeter-scale height has shown exceptional promise as a new industrial material for various applications spanning actuators, energy storage, to sensors.[1,2] Therefore, understanding the growth mechanism and controlling the growth progression becomes paramount to fully realize the potential for these applications. For that purpose, a monitoring system which possesses ease of use, accuracy and wide range is needed. A number of groups have previously reported *in situ* measurement systems based on optical interference and absorption, diffraction, and projection [3-6]. However, conventional measurement methods were insufficient to accurately measure the growth kinetics for a wide range of growths due to limited resolution and limited field of view. Further the measurement system required periodic adjustment of the optical system and sometimes complex analysis of the raw data.

Here we report a simple *in situ* height measurement system for CNT forests which possesses both high resolution and large field of view. Employing a telecentric optical system operating with a infinite focal distance, this system is free of the need for periodic adjustment to the working distance.

We made it possible to measure the growth curve easily with much higher precision compared with the conventional measurement system. This system enabling *in situ* measurement can monitor the measurement point consecutively, so we have elucidated the existence of various growth curves of forest that have not been verified so far.

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#### FT-IR Gas Analysis for Alcohol Catalytic Chemical Vapor Deposition

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#### Abstract

Alcohol catalytic chemical vapor deposition (ACCVD) has become a popular CVD method for growth of high-purity single walled carbon nanotube (SWNT) films due to the low cost and easy-handling of a non-hazardous CVD gas source. [1] At CVD temperatures, ethanol mainly decomposes into ethylene and water. [2] These thermally generated molecules could affect SWNT growth. However, there are few gas analysis studies for ACCVD.

In this study, we have investigated gas molecules behavior during ACCVD using Fourier Transfer infrared spectroscopy (FT-IR: Otsuka electronics IG-1000). FT-IR cell was inserted between a reactor tube and a vacuum pump. SWNT synthesis was performed by using ethanol as the carbon source and Co/Mo bimetal as the catalyst. Growth temperature was 1113 K.

The time dependence of gas molecule intensities is shown in Fig.1. In order to distinguish

catalytic decomposed molecule intensities from thermally decomposed intensities. the intensities molecule obtained in the presence of catalyst were subtracted from those obtained in the absence of catalyst. In the early stage, ethanol was consumed and ethylene and water were generated. After a few minutes, ethanol was reached to zero, and ethylene and water were changed from generation mode to consumption mode. The consumption mode was continued during growth period. This mode would be caused by deposition and etching of carbon on the substrate and/or synthesized SWNT surface.

We will discuss this behavior of gas molecules with time dependence of SWNT film thickness and weight.



Fig.1 FT-IR intensity difference of with and without catalysts for ethanol, ethylene, and water as function of growth time. Each intensity is normalized by the intensity of ethanol at 2.7 kPa at RT.

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#### Growth of double- and triple-walled carbon nanotube on MgO substrate

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Selective growth of carbon nanotubes with desired chirality and wall number is a key issue for future industrial applications. We have recently reported that high purity double-walled carbon nanotubes (DWNT) can be grown with a post-growth purification process by chemical vapor deposition (CVD), using a mixed catalyst on MgO at optimized composition.[1] We developed here a direct synthetic method of DWNT and triple walled nanotubes (TWNT) without such post-growth purification process.

Using Co or Fe catalyst loaded on MgO (100) by dip-coating, carbon nanotubes were grown by CVD at 850°C with ethanol as a carbon source. As seen in a typical TEM image of the as-grown sample, Fig.1, the product was dominated by DWNT (~65%) and TWNT (~35%), while single-walled ones (SWNT) were hardly observed. Tube diameters of the DWNT were distributed in 0.6-3.2 nm (inner tube) and 1.2-4.0 nm (outer tube). Figure 2 shows their Raman spectra (top two traces) comparing with those of high-purity SWNT grown on Si/SiO<sub>2</sub> [2, 3] and DWNT grown on MgO powder.[1] The band shape of radial breathing mode (RBM) and G band of the as-grown samples looks very similar to those of DWNT reference. Recalling that DWNT and TWNT has much lower Raman scattering efficiency compared to SWNT,[1] the Raman spectra also support that DWNT and TWNT were selectively grown on MgO substrate without post-growth purification.



Fig. 1 TEM image

Fig. 2 Raman spectra (532 nm exc.)

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#### Purification of Carbon Nanotubes by Amphiphilic Oligopeptides

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The development of a non-destructive method for purification of carbon nanotubes (CNTs) is needed for their industrial applications. For this purpose, we have designed some amphilic oligopeptides which can disperse CNTs in water. The result of dispersion experiment, pep-2 was demonstrated to effectively disperse CNTs in water comparing to other peptides. If pep-2 interacts with CNTs but not with amorphous carbons and metallic catalysts, the dispersion procedure with pep-2 can be used as a method for purification of CNTs without damaging them. In this study, a raw CNT material (MER Co., Tucson USA) containing amorphous carbons and metallic catalysts was dispersed into water and the properties of the dispersed CNTs were evaluated by scanning electron microscopy (SEM), Raman spectroscopy, thermogravimetric analysis (TGA), UV/Vis/NIR spectroscopy, and elemental analysis.

To prepare the CNT-dispersed aqueous solutions, raw CNTs (40 mg) were added to 0.1 wt% pep-2 aqueous solution (40 ml), and the mixture was sonicated in water using bath and tip-type sonicators in an ice bath. After centrifugation, the supernatant was collected to remove insoluble materials. By adding methanol, black materials came out from the supernatant, followed by washing with methanol and water to remove an excess of adsorbed peptides on the surface of CNTs. Finally, recovered CNTs were collected by lyophilization. As a result, 3.6 mg of recovered CNTs was obtained from the 40 mg of raw material.

Comparison of SEM images of the raw and recovered CNTs showed disappearance of most of the amorphous carbons that existed in the raw CNTs. This morphological observation indicates that the raw CNTs can be purified to some extent by dispersing with pep-2. It was thought that amorphous carbons were selectively removed by dispersing with pep-2. Detailed properties of the recovered CNTs estimated by Raman spectroscopy, TGA, UV/Vis/NIR spectroscopy, and elemental analysis will be discussed.

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Structure of pep-2.

# Toward Single Structure of SWNTs: Simultaneous Enrichment in (*n,m*) and the Optical Purity of SWNTs through Extraction with Carbazole-Bridged Chiral Diporphyrin Nanotweezers

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We have obtained optically active SWNTs through chiral molecular recognition of carbon nanotubes with chiral porphyrin nanotweezers.<sup>[1,2]</sup> In the studies, we found that changing the spacer in chiral nanotweezers is effective to enhance the optical activity of SWNTs. Here, we designed and synthesized 3,6-carbazole-bridged chiral diporphyrin to discriminate both (n,m) and helicity of SWNTs.

Figure 1 shows the absorption spectra of the as-received and extracted SWNTs. It shows clearly that (7,5) and (8,4)-SWNTs, having quite similar diameters, were enriched significantly after the extraction, which is also supported by Raman spectra. As shown in Figure 2, the CD spectra of the extracted SWNTs were symmetrical, indicating that the extracted SWNTs are optically active. Only two dominant CD peaks were observed at 374 and 639 nm, which correspond to E<sub>33</sub>, and E<sub>22</sub> transitions of the (7,5)-SWNTs. These results indicate that one stereoisomer of (7,5)-SWNTs was preferentially extracted through the extraction with the carbazole-bridged chiral diporphyrin nanotweezers, which is significant progress towards SWNTs with single structure.



Fig. 1 Absorption spectra of as-received and extracted SWNTs dispersed in  $D_2O/SDBS$  solutions.



Fig. 2 CD spectra of the extracted SWNTs in  $D_2O/SDBS$  solutions

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## Effect of density of carbon supply on the synthesis of small diameter SWNTs by ACCVD method using platinum as catalyst

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Controlling the diameter or diameter distribution of single wall carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) is important subject for application of SWNTs. It is well known that ambient temperature, carbon source materials, and the kind of catalyst are important parameters for controlling the production of SWNTs. We have reported the synthesis of SWNTs with small diameter and narrow diameter distribution by using platinum metal as catalyst and porous glass (PG) as support material [1,2]. Platinum catalyst gives SWNTs with small diameter, and their diameter distribution changes by the density of carbon supply.

The SWNTs samples were synthesized by ACCVD method using ethanol as carbon source, and platinum catalyst was deposited on PG. In the present work, the ambient temperature and the inner pressure of ethanol were systematically changed in order to synthesize the smaller and the narrower diameter distributions of SWNTs. The obtained SWNTs were characterized by TEM, Raman spectroscopy, and fluorescence spectroscopy. Typical example of Raman spectra is shown in Fig.1. It was found that as the ethanol pressure decreases. the diameter distribution of SWNTs shifts to smaller one, especially the Raman peaks at 311cm<sup>-1</sup>(assigned to (6,5) tube) and  $370 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (assigned to (5,4) tube) increase significantly. In the high frequency region, it was found that D-band,  $G^+$  and  $G^-$  band also systematically change, depending on the ethanol pressure. Furthermore, it was also found that relative ratio of these peaks and diameter distribution of SWNTs change by changing ambient temperature and pore size of porous glass.





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## Toward the selective production of metallic SWNT by the laser ablation method

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Selecting catalyst and ambient gas properly are well known to control diameters of SWNTs in laser ablation process. Actually, relatively small and narrow diameter distribution can be realized by laser ablation method with Rh/Pd catalyst combined by N<sub>2</sub> gas atmosphere. Furthermore, in the laser ablation experiments, we were able to make the condition such that the laser-generated plume have different temperature experience during traveling inside the furnace , and deposits somewhere in the downstream area to continue the growth of the tubes up to several  $\mu$  m. [1].

In the present work, we prepared SWNTs by combining He gas and Rh/Pd catalyst by changing the position of the laser ablation target inside a furnace as well as by collecting soot at different positions. Figure 1 shows Raman spectra of the sample obtained by collecting the soot deposited at five different places in the downstream area of the furnace. For example, the sample 1 is the soot collected at relatively upstream position in comparison with the one of the sample 5, and thus the annealing temperature for the sample 1 is reasonably thought to be higher than that of the sample 5. As shown in Fig. 1, the resulting chirality distribution of the (7,7), (8,5) and (9,3) tubes changes significantly, most probably reflecting the difference in the annealing temperature. More detailed results and discussion will be shown in the symposium.



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#### Synthesis of single-walled carbon nanotubes films by DC arc discharge

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Single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) films were synthesized with various catalysts

by DC arc discharge using two graphite plates fixed on the anode and cathode, respectively [1][2]. Raman spectroscopy, thermal gravimetric analysis (TGA) and scanning electron microscopy (SEM) were used to characterize quality, purity and morphology of SWNTs films. Based on results of these analyses, we have got properties-controlled films by varying catalysts, atmospheres, distance between two plates, current and evaporation time of arc discharge. As an example, when Mo and Fe used as catalyst, Ar and H<sub>2</sub> as buffer gas, a kind of semitransparent SWNTs film (Fig. 1 Macroscopic image) has been made by this method, and the net of sparse SWNTs bundles (Fig. 2 SEM image) was formed on this film. Moreover, the synthesized SWNTs films can easily be stuck on the other substrate, so that these films will be a good candidate in many applications such as composites, field emission, fuel cell and sensors.



Fig. 1 Macroscopic image of SWNTs film



Fig. 2 SEM image of SWNTs film

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# Nitrogen and oxygen plasma functionalization of carbon nanotubes for photovoltaic device application

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#### Abstract

Surface wave assisted microwave (SW-MW) plasma was used for surface modification of multiwalled carbon nanotubes (MWCNTs). CNTs were treated with nitrogen and oxygen microwave plasma in order to functionalize covalently their side walls. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) study shows surface modification with nitrogen and oxygen containing different functional groups. Transmission electron microscope (TEM) study shows induced defect in the side walls of nanotubes, without destruction of multi layer structure of the CNTs. Functionalized CNTs shows very good dispersion in organic solvent. Functionalized CNTs were incorporated in organic heterojunction photovoltaic device and enhancement in device performance was observed. Details study of CNTs functionalization via SW-MW plasma will be discussed.

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# Formation of nano pn junction diode via alkali-halogen plasma ion irradiation

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Single-Walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) have a strong potential in fabricating novel nano electronic devices in combination with other foreign molecules and atoms, owing to their unique one-dimensional structure and electronic properties. Up to now, our group has demonstrated electrical features of SWNTs can drastically be modified by alkali-metal encapsulation, and hence air-stable n-type semiconducting behavior can be realized [1]. This result motivates us to develop a nano-pn junction diode by encapsulating both electron donor and acceptor in a same individual SWNT. According to the measurement of transport properties of ion-irradiated SWNTs, it is found that halogen atoms filled in SWNTs play a role as an electron acceptor, and extreamly enhance p-type characteristics. Furthermore, when both alkali (Cs) and halogen (I) atoms are encapsulated in SWNT, a diode-like electrical property can be observed. In addition to this diode like behavior, an interesting characteristic is also observed for Cs/I encapsulated SWNTs as shown in Fig. 1(a). This characteristic is known as a unique character of the p-n junction structure [2]. Furthermore, negative differential resistance (NDR) properties are also observed at a low temperature condition (Fig. 1(b)). These results indicate that the p-n junctions in SWNTs tend to be created by means of selective doping of electron donors and acceptors with the advanced plasma technology.



Fig.1 Source-drain current ( $I_{DS}$ ) vs gate voltage ( $V_G$ ) characteristic (a) and NDR properties (b) of Cs/I filled SWNTs under the FET configuration.

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# Novel Carbon Nanotubes/Photopolymer Nanocomposites with High Conductivity and Application to Nanoimprint Photolithography

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#### Abstract:

We fabricated the composites of SWNTs and UV-curable monomer **1** (Figure 1) by in situ photopolymerization and



Figure 1. Chemical structure of monomer 1

found that composite films exhibit extremely high electrical conductivity and low percolation threshold compared to other SWNT/polymer composite. We considered that this results were the consequence of the stable dispersion of SWNT by monomer **1**. The degree of dispersion of SWNT in the film was estimated by UV-near IR absorption spectroscopy and transmission electron microscopy (TEM) technique and found that the SWNT was dispersed homogeneously in the film. Nice 2D patterns of composites are successfully fabricated by using nanoimprint lithography (Figure 2) [1]. The results



Figure 2. SEM images of nanoimprint patterns fabricated by PDMS stamps.

clearly indicate the high processability of the composite. Conceptually, the combination of SWNTs and UV cure monomer can be applied in a wide range of lithographic techniques such as ink jet printing and laser stereolithography. The same procedure might be also applicable for the carbon multi-walled nanotubes.

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# Increase of surface area of super-growth single-walled carbon nanotubes via opening, resulting in improved electrochemical capacitance

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High specific surface area (SSA) materials are of huge importance given that all reactions in solid phase take place at the surface. Having a theoretical maximum SSA of 1315  $m^2/g$ , as-grown single-walled carbon nanotubes (outer surface only) are often overlooked when compared to high SSA materials such as activated carbon having an SSA of 2000  $m^2/g$ . However theoretically the surface area of SWNTs can be doubled by utilizing the internal area of the tubes.

Here utilizing the highest SSA as-grown SWNT forests (1299 m2/g) [1, 2], an opening process, capable of almost doubling the SSA is presented. The opened SWNT forests are then utilized as electrode materials for electrochemical capacitors. Their capacitance performance is enhanced on the same order of magnitude as the increase in SSA.

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## Photovoltaic cell made of single wall carbon nanotubes and fullerenes

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Carbon nanotubes and fullerenes have been applied to photo devices [1-3]. In this study, we synthesized the functionalized single wall carbon nanotubes (SWNT- $[C_{60}]_n$ ) which were covalently linked to fullerenes with linkers.

SWNT- $[C_{60}]_n$  were deposited on a ITO glass by the electrodeposition method in which Kamat et al. reported the deposition of the SWNTs[4]. That is, SWNT- $[C_{60}]_n$  were suspended in THF with the aid of tetraoctylammonium bromide and were deposited (Fig.1).



Using the SWNT- $[C_{60}]_n$  film on ITO as working electrode, counter electrode was Pt plate or Pt coated ITO, and an acetonitrile solution of 0.05 M iodine / 0.5 M sodium iodine was applied as the electrolyte. SWNT- $[C_{60}]_n$  were excited with Xe light. Fig.2 shows the photoresponse of SWNT- $[C_{60}]_n$  film in a photoelectrochemical cell. These results indicate the successful injection of electrons from the excited SWNT- $[C_{60}]_n$  to the ITO electrode.

The photocurrent density-voltage characteristics were measured with a sandwich cell (5 x 5 mm, data not shown). The observed photocurrent density was very low (for instance,  $\sim 3.1 \, \mu \text{A/cm}^2$ ). We will present the photocurrent density-voltage profiles and the reaction mechanisms.



Fig.1. SWNT- $[C_{60}]_n$  were deposited on ITO glasses by electrodeposition.



Fig.2. Photovoltage(left) and photocurrent(right) on-off cycles of SWNT- $[C_{60}]_n$ . It is excited with Xe light. The counter electrode is Pt plate, and the electrolyte is 0.05 M  $I_2/$  0.5 M NaI in acetonitrile.

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# Precise Optical Detection of Mechanical Vibration of Cantilevered Carbon Nanotubes in Air

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Mechanical vibration of cantilevered carbon nanotubes (CNT) enables highly sensitive mass measurement with high sensitivity of  $10^{-21}$  g order in a vacuum. In order to apply this method to biological samples, the measurements in air and in liquid are needed. In this study, we have demonstrated the optical detection of mechanical vibration of cantilevered carbon nanotubes in air.

A cantilevered multiwalled carbon nanotube (MWNT) array on the knife-edge was prepared by electrophoresis method. The MWNTs used here were synthesized by CVD and were about 50 nm in diameter. A nanotube array was set on a stage with a piezo device and was then oscillated mechanically by applying an AC voltage to the piezo device. The nanotube cantilever was irradiated by a laser beam with the wavelength of 532 nm under the condition of dark-field illumination. Scattered light by a certain MWNT was collected to a single mode optical fiber with a core diameter of 3.3  $\mu$ m, which act as an aperture, by using an optical microscope as schematically shown in Fig. 1. At the resonant frequency, the signal becomes minimal because the nanotube cantilever vibration and the vibration amplitude are related to the signal intensity.

Figures 2(a) and 2(b) show, respectively, optical microscope images of the off-resonant and resonant MWNT with the length of 10  $\mu$ m. Figure 2(c) shows an SEM image of the MWNT. As shown in Figs. 2(a) and 2(b), the vibration of the MWNT is hardly detected from the original optical images. On the other hand, as shown in Fig. 3, the oscillation frequency dependence of the signal intensity is clearly detected by using the detection system used in this experiment. The resonant frequency of the MWNT is ~ 151 kHz and Q factor calculated from the frequency dependence is about 113. Thus, we have successfully detected the vibration of nanotube cantilever in air using the optical detection system.

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Fig.1 Schematic diagram of the optical detection system.



Fig.2 Optical and SEM images of the MWNT cantilever: (a) off-resonance, (b) resonance, and (c) SEM image.



## Density increase of well-dispersed single-walled carbon nanotubes by laser trapping

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Aggregation of individual single walled carbon nanotubes (SWCNTs) in highly focussed laser light was observed by Raman scattering[1]. Nanotubes produced by the high pressure carbon monoxide (HiPCO) method were dispersed in an aqueous surfactant solution by sonication, and ultracentrifugation was used to ensure a high ratio of individual, debundled SWCNTs. Laser light of 633nm was focused through a high numerical aperture (NA = 1.35) lens to achieve the high optical field gradient required for optical trapping and aggregation<sup>[2]</sup>. We observe the dynamics of the radial breathing mode (RBM) Raman scattering signal from the confocal volume of the optical trap, and show that there are distinct fluctuations in the RBM amplitudes. These correspond to transient but significant density increases of nanotubes in the focal volume. We discuss the independent behaviour of the observable RBMs, with respect to the wavelength of the trapping laser and the metallic/semiconducting nature of the corresponding CNTs. This experimental technique has great potential in the application to post-production processing of carbon nanotubes, such as substrate patterning[3] and chirality purification[4], due to its minimal reliance on the chemical modification of SWCNTs[5].

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# Effects of Microwave Radiation on Heat-resistive Proteins Adsorbed on Carbon Nanotubes

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Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) are heated efficiently by microwave radiation. We have shown that this high heating capability of microwave radiation is quite useful for CNT chemistry. For instance, transitional oil bath heating of the CNT reaction mixture during an amidation reaction gage the maximum yield of 50 % after one week refluxing. Microwave heating of the same mixture increased the yield to nearly 100 % within 30 min irradiation [1]. Also, microwave heating of CNTs has a property that CNTs are heated much faster than the surrounding medium even in solution or bulk. Thus, Pt-salt was reduced only at the surfaces of CNTs to afford Pt-nanoparticels [2] and elastic response was improved in CNT/polymer composites by local meting of polymer on CNT surfaces [3].

In everyday life, we are constantly irradiated by microwave radiation. A cellular phone communicates using nearly 1 W microwave power with a local station which radiates about 30 W. Most IC tips in electronic devices operate at microwave frequencies also. Considering the high efficiency of microwave heating, these situations raise a question of what happens if the substances interacting with CNTs are bio-related. Recently, CNTs are actively studied for medical applications such as DDS, cell scaffolds and artificial joints. Other than those cases that CNTs are intentionally incorporated into bodies, they can be inhaled accidentally during ordinary handling. Thus, it is of great importance to know what level of microwave radiation affects living bodies with CNTs inside.

We have reported that, a red blood cell protein, hemoglobin (Hb) adsorbs specifically on CNTs [4]. As a primary study, the effect of microwave was investigated on Hb/CNT system. We have found that denaturation is clearly enhanced by 5 W power for 25 sec irradiation with the presence of CNTs. In this case, the average temperature of the mixture was about 40 °C and this means that water temperature near CNTs might be still higher. Because Hb denatures easily by heat, this estimate may contain those Hbs that are denatured by heated water rather than CNTs. To see the effect of CNT more directly, a mitochondrial protein, cytochrome-c (Cyt-c) was investigated in this study. Cyt-c is stable against heat and has a reversible folding/unfolding transition at 67 °C. Similar to Hb, Cyt-c possesses heme group that can be used to follow its state by spectroscopy. We show that it takes more microwave power to affect Cyt-c/CNT than Hb/CNT, although their difference is small. The spectra of radiated Cyt-c/CNT indicate that irreversible changes have occurred on Cyt-c upon irradiation, which suggest that the first order structure may be destroyed. The study shows that a local phone station may be hazardous for living bodies with CNTs inside.

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# Dependence on Insulator thickness for sensitivity of Carbon Nanotube Field-Effect Transistor Biosensor

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A carbon nanotube field-effect transistor (CNT-FET) should be able to detect living biological molecules with high sensitivity. The structure of the CNT-FET device significantly affects the performance of the sensor. In this study, we compared a sensitivity of the CNT-FET biosensors which differs the thickness of the insulator

The metal gateless type CNT-FETs were used for the biosensor (see figure 1). Antibodies were immobilized on the sensing area of the CNT-FET, and the electron charges of the antigens trapped by the antibodies were detected. Silicon nitride was used as an insulator in the sample CNT-FET. The silicon nitride layer was covered with a waterproof resist. Three kinds of CNT-FETs were Figure used, which the thicknesses of the insulator were 20 nm, 50 nm, and 80 nm, respectively. Pig serum albumin (PSA) and anti pig serum albumin (a-PSA) were used for the measurement, where PSA and a-PSA are an antigen and a corresponding antibody. For the measurement, a silicone rubber wall was placed on the sensor, where a solution of Tris buffer (pH 8.0) containing PSA was poured. The dependence of the drain current on the PSA concentration was measured.

Figure 2 shows the drain current-top gate voltage curves of biosensors onto which the Tris buffer was poured. Back-gate voltage was controlled, and at a drain voltage of +1 V, a top gate voltage of +1 V, a drain current was same for three biosensors. The transconductance, G<sub>m</sub>, became larger as the thickness of the insulator became thinner. This suggests that the CNT-FET biosensor becomes more sensitive as the thickness of the insulator becomes thinner. The results of the biosensing will be discussed at the presentation.



Figure 1. Metal gateless type CNT-FET.



Figure 2. Drain current-Top gate voltage curves of the CNT-FET biosensors.

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## FET Properties of Exohedrally Modified SWCNTs

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Abstract: Semiconducting single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWCNTs) are promising as electronic materials for nano-scale devices in the future, and the electronic properties of SWCNTs are of significantly fundamental and practical interests. It is well known that the field effect transistors (FETs) fabricated by semiconducting SWCNTs show high performance in terms of the mobility. However, it is also known that some serious problems in CNTs-FETs exist, such as control in the carriers, atmospheric effects, and so on. Semiconducting CNTs have both holes and electrons as carrier, therefore, CNTs-FETs usually exhibit ambipolar charge transport. For applying CNTs to electronic device materials, it is necessary to control the carriers. A carrier doping could exohedrally be possible when the SWCNTs surface is chemically modified. With such chemical modifications, the charge transfer from the exohedral functional groups to SWCNTs will be expected, and this could modify the electronic states of SWCNTs. We have reported the FET properties of SWCNTs exohedrally modified by organic molecule chemisorption, and demonstrated that ambipolar character can be converted to n-type ones[1]. However, because of ununiformity of the surface modification of SWCNTs, the confirmation of charge transfer from the exohedral functional groups to SWCNTs is extremely difficult. In this study, we will report the FET properties of SWCNTs exohedrally modified by Si-containing organic molecules. We used the organic molecule-physisorbed SWCNTs to make clear the effect of exohedrally modification, and it was shown that an n-type character can be enhanced by physisorption also in a similar manner to the chemisorbed ones. We will also discuss the possibility of charge transfer by using spectroscopic methods.

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### Atomic structures of graphene adatom and its aggregation

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Graphenes as well as carbon nanotubes recently attract much attention since they are candidates for nano device materials. For achieving nano devices, control of defects is very important as in the case of silicon technology. However, understanding of even fundamental defects such as vacancies and adatoms is still insufficient. In this study, we study atomic structures and energetics of graphene adatom and its aggregation by performing first principles calculations.

The most stable site of adatom is found to be situated on the bond center of graphene sheet. The diffusion barrier is estimated to be very small (0.33 eV), which is consistent with experimental results that interstitial defects in graphite



diffuses at temperatures lower the room temperature. As for the dimer of adatoms, two pentagons are formed, so this

configuration is very stable (Fig. 1). The energy of the dissociation of the dimer into two adatoms is very large (5.5 eV), indicating that this dimer is very stable. Therefore this dimer is expected to be experimentally detected under some experimental conditions. We find that a line defect in which dimers are arranged in a straight line is found to be more stable than the isolated dimer. This line defect in carbon nanotube are found to be ferromagnetic and is thus useful[1]. To clarify whether this line defect is spontaneously formed by aggregation of adatoms as a result of diffusion of adatoms, we determine stable atomic structures of tetramers. The two dimers arranged in a straight line is very stable but we find that another structure of the tetramer is more stable. Therefore we conclude that the line defect is not formed by thermal diffusion, thus another approach is necessary to form the line defect.

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## Environmental effect on excitons of single wall carbon nanotubes

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In this paper, we show the diameter dependence of the dielectric constant of single wall carbon nanotubes (SWNTs). The optical transition energies of SWNTs are calculated by solving the Bethe-Salpeter equation in which the one particle energies are given by the extended tight-binding method [1]. As for the surrounding materials of a SWNT, we express the environmental effect on the exciton binding energy by a dielectric constant. In previous paper we used the static dielectric constant (the value is 2.22) in the calculation to reproduce the experimental values of the Raman  $E_{ii}$  or photoluminescence  $E_{ii}$  for SWNT bundle samples [1,2]. For other samples, we need to consider a correction to the environmental effects. To reproduce and evaluate the experimental results, we use the dielectric constant as a linear combination of the screening of nanotubes itself and the surrounding material [3] and adjust the value of dielectric constant. From our calculated results are compared with several experimental results. We also discuss the dependence of the exciton size of the dielectric constant and the diameter of SWNT.

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# Spectroscopically probed doping processes in semiconducting single-wall carbon nanotubes selectively isolated using polyfluorene

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Absorption (Abs) and photoluminescence (PL) spectroscopy have become indispensable means to probe electronic states of single-wall carbon nanotubes (SWNTs). These spectra, however, have been obscured by a large number of poorly resolved peaks and the considerable background signal even after dispersion using various dispersants, hampering detailed spectral analysis. Very recently, it is shown that the use of polyfluorene (PFO) as a dispersant dissolved in toluene results in the selective isolation and extraction of semiconducting SWNTs (s-SWNTs), leaving very little trace of metallic SWNTs [1, 2]. Remarkably, only s-SWNTs with large chiral angles (near-armchair tubes) are selectively isolated. Moreover, the absorption background supposedly ascribed to carbonaceous impurities and/or  $\pi$ -plasmon has been considerably suppressed. Thus simplified spectral shape has expanded the applicability of optical spectroscopy for the study of various phenomena involving a change in electronic states of SWNTs. Here we report preliminary results of spectroscopic monitoring of doping processes in selectively isolated s-SWNT.

Figures 1 and 2, respectively, show changes in Abs and PL spectra induce by the addition of tetrafluorotetracyanoquinodimethane (TCNQF<sub>4</sub>), a p-dopant, into a HiPco/PFO/toluene solution. It is remarkable that isosbestic points are clearly observed with the increase in TCNQF<sub>4</sub> concentration. The decrease in PL induced by doping is much larger than that in Abs, implying that the underlying mechanisms are different. These and other implications of the observed spectral changes will be discussed in the presentation.



Fig.1 Change in Abs spectra of a HiPco/PFO/toluene solution with an increase in  $TCNQF_4$  concentration from 0 to  $150\mu g/mL$ .

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Fig.2 Change in PL spectra of a HiPco/PFO/toluene solution with an increase in TCNQF<sub>4</sub> concentration from 0 to  $150\mu$ g/mL.  $\lambda_{ex} = 660$ nm.

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## Response of Carbon Nanotube Field Effect Transistors to Vibrating Gate Using Scanning Gate Microscopy

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Combination of carbon nanotube field effect transistor (CNT-FET) sensors and nano-electromechanical systems is expected to be a novel functional force sensing device. Scanning gate microscopy (SGM) is a powerful technique for measuring local electronic properties of these devices because applied voltage cantilever tip acts as a nanoscale local gate. In this report, we have investigated the response of CNT-FET to vibrating gate using a SGM local gate.

We fabricated CNT-FET through conventional photolithography process. The SWNTs were synthesized by low pressure alcohol chemical vapor deposition (ACCVD) method. We performed SGM measurement with non-contact mode at room temperature in air. Lock in amplifier was used here to detect the modulated current signal induced by the cantilever vibration with the amplitude less than 50 nm and the resonant frequency of ~70 kHz (Fig. 1). Topographic image and modulated current image were taken simultaneously.

Figure 2(a) and 2(b) show the topographic and modulated current image induced by the gate vibration with the gate voltage of -1 V, where top and bottom of the images correspond to the source and drain electrodes, respectively. Under this condition, the deep modulation with 2nA was achieved near the source electrodes. This is due to the modulation of the Schottky barrier induced by the gated cantilever vibration. On the contrary, in the cases of the gate voltages of 0 and 1 V, we could not observe clear modulated current images.

In this way, we have succeeded in the detection of the cantilever vibration with the amplitude less than 50 nm and the frequency of 70 kHz using the CNT-FET.

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Fig.1 schematic image of circuit



Fig.2 (a) topography and (b) modulated current image.

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# Third-order nonlinear optical properties and phase relaxation time in single-walled carbon nanotubes

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Phase relaxation time is one of important parameters which govern not only homogeneous line width but also coherent optical phenomena and nonlinear optical properties. In this study, we have measured third-order nonlinear optical properties and phase relaxation time of

semiconducting single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) by Z-scan and two-beam degenerate four-wave mixing (DFWM) [1] methods.

SWNTs (purified HiPco and laser-ablation (LA) tubes) were dispersed in  $D_2O$  with deoxycholic acid. Figure1 shows the diameter dependence of figure of merit Im  $\chi^{(3)}/\alpha$ . The absolute value increases with increasing tube diameter for both samples. Comparing the same diameter,  $|\text{Im } \chi^{(3)} / \alpha|$  measured in HiPco sample is smaller than that in LA sample. These results suggest that the value of Im  $\chi^{(3)}/\alpha$ depends on the population  $(T_1)$  and phase relaxation  $(T_2)$  times. Figure 2 shows the time evolutions of DFWM signals for  $k_3$  (=2 $k_1$ - $k_2$ ) and  $k_4$  (=2 $k_2$ - $k_1$ ) directions, where  $k_1$  and  $k_2$  are the wave vectors of incident excitation beams. Both signals shift from  $\tau$  d=0 because of T<sub>2</sub>. Assuming inhomogeneous broadening, the estimated  $T_2$  value is 200 fs which is a good agreement with the homogeneous width measured by single SWNT PL measurements[2]. References

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Fig.1: Im  $\chi^{(3)}/\alpha$  as a function of tube diameter for HiPco and LA samples.



Fig.2: Time evolutions of DFWM Signals for  $k_3$  and  $k_4$  directions

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## Multi-backgate control of carbon nanotube double quantum dot

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Single walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) behave as a quantum dot at low temperatures because of their extremely small diameter of the order of 1 nm. SWNT double quantum dot devices have also been demonstrated [1-4]. In these reports, the devices with multi-topgate structure were fabricated. However, SWNTs in the topgate devices are surrounded by the insulator; therefore, it is difficult to position-selectively create defects, which act as the tunnel barriers, after device fabrication. In this study, we have fabricated the multi-gate device with the back gate structure, in which SWNTs are not surrounded by the insulator. The electronic transport properties of these devices are investigated at low temperature.

Figure 1 shows the schematic side view of the SWNT double quantum dot device. SWNTs were grown by chemical vapor deposition (CVD) method using ethanol on the SiO<sub>2</sub> layer and two Mo gate electrodes (G1 and G2). SWNTs are contacted with Pd electrodes. Gate voltage can be applied to the SWNT through G1, G2 and the Si substrate (BG).

Figure 2 shows experimental charge stability diagrams at 1.7 K for the series double quantum dot at the drain voltage  $V_{ds}$  of 1 mV. In this measurement, three gates (G1, G2 and BG) were used; however, the voltages of G1 and BG were the same. The "honeycomb" shaped array, which indicates the formation of the coupled quantum dots, is observed. Each cell of the honeycomb corresponds to a well-defined electron configuration for the double dot. The smeared shape of the

honeycomb indicates that the two quantum dots are strongly coupled [1,4]. From the dimensions of a single cell ( $\Delta V_{g1}$  and  $\Delta V_{g2}$  as illustrated in Figure. 2), the estimated gate capacitances of  $C_{g1}$  and  $C_{g2}$  are 8.9 aF and 1.1 aF, respectively.

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Fig. 1. Schematic view of the fabricated back-gate device with multi-gates (G1, G2 and BG).



Fig. 2. Experimental charge stability diagram for the series double quantum dot as a function of gate voltages.

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## Design of Si Nanotube: New Multi-shalle Nanotubes

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Ever since the discovery of nanometer scale tubes of carbon (carbon nanotubes: CNT), much effort has been done to synthesize and design the nano-scale tubular structures consisting of the other chemical elements. Indeed, similar tubular structures with hexagonal network consisting of boron and nitrogen atoms have been experimentally synthesized. The electronic structures of these tubular structures exhibit different characteristics to those in the two-dimensional honeycomb lattice due to the different dimensionality.

In the present work, we explore the possibility of tubular structures of silicon possessing the hexagonal network as in the case of CNT based on the first-principle total-energy calculations. In the case of isolated Si nanotubes (SiNT), the SiNT with cylindrical shape studied here are found to be energetically unstable. Large structural reconstruction takes place on the wall of them to reduce the dangling bond character of the Si atoms. The result is ascribed to the fact that the Si does not possess the planer structures under the usual conditions. However, by encapsulating the SiNT into the CNT, we find that the SiNT keep their cylindrical shape (Fig. 1). The encapsulation results in

the energy gain of about 0.5 eV per angstrom. By analyzing the electronic band structures and charge density of the SiNT encapsulated in the CNT, we find that the substantial hybridization of  $\pi$  states of CNT and p states of SiNT and the charge transfer from SiNT to CNT stabilize the new Si-based tubular structure.





Fig.1: Top and side views of an optimized structure of SiNT@CNT.

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## Influence of Diameter on the Raman Spectra of Multi-Walled Carbon Nanotubes

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Raman spectroscopy is an analytical technique largely used to characterize carbon materials. Among them, single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) have been analyzed both theoretically and experimentally, and the relation between Raman spectra and structure of SWNTs has been well understood [1]. On the other hand, because of the difficulty of the theoretical analysis on multi-walled carbon nanotubes (MWNTs), the Raman spectroscopy of MWNTs has not been well established up to now. For this reason, Raman spectroscopy analysis of MWNTs is mainly used to estimate the crystalline quality using the D-band to G-band intensity ratio, as usually applied to graphite materials. In this study, MWNTs with various diameters produced by Shenzhen Nanotech Port Co., Ltd. have been analyzed with Raman spectroscopy to clarify the influence of diameter on the Raman Spectra of MWNTs.

Figure 1 shows the Raman spectra of MWNTs at 532 nm excitation wavelength. Because Raman peak positions of MWNTs are particularly sensitive to temperature [2], laser power was carefully controlled to minimize laser beam heating effects. Figure 2 shows the diameter

dependence of G-band frequencies derived from curve fitting. For the curve fitting, we have used Lorentzian or Breit-Wigner-Fano (BWF) functions for D-band, G-band, and G'-band [3]. Data indicate that G-band frequencies increase with decreasing tube diameter in the region below 20 nm, and that they are almost constant in the region over 20 nm. It was reported that the interlayer spacing of MWNTs increased with decreasing tube diameter [4]. Thus, we believe that G-band frequencies in the region below 20 nm are affected by the interlayer spacing of MWNTs. Moreover, the behavior of Gband frequencies in the region over 20 nm can be explained with the optical penetration depth in graphite [5].

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Fig. 1 Raman spectra of multi-walled carbon nanotubes.



Fig. 2 Diameter dependence for G-band frequencies of multi-walled carbon nanotubes.

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# Resonance Raman spectroscopy of metallic and semiconducting single-wall carbon nanotubes

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We have measured the resonance Raman spectra of high-purity metallic and semiconducting single-wall carbon nanotubes (SWCNTs) and found a large difference in the Raman frequency of D- and G'- modes. This result strongly suggests an essential difference in the physical properties of them.

In the Raman spectra of SWCNTs, it is known that the disorder-induced mode (D mode) shifts to higher frequency with increasing the laser excitation energy. This behavior can be understood by the double resonance model which is concerning with the electronic band structure and also the phonon dispersion relation.[1,2] In this work, we have measured the D and G' modes for the metallic and the semiconducting SWCNTs varying laser energy from 1.7 to 2.7 eV. The metallic and semiconducting SWCNTs were separated using the density-gradient method [3-5]. In Fig. 1, the D mode frequency was plotted as a function of the laser energy. The slope of fitted line for the semiconducting SWCNTs was 60 cm<sup>-1</sup>/eV while that of the metallic SWCNTs was only  $35 \text{ cm}^{-1}/\text{eV}$ . Interestingly, the two lines are crossing at 2.1 eV that just corresponds to the M<sub>11</sub> absorption peak. (See Fig. 2) Similar behaviors were also observed in the G' mode and the other high-frequency mode. We will show the detailed analysis by double resonance model and discuss the difference between metallic and semiconducting SWCNTs.





**Fig. 1**. D mode frequency of metallic and semiconducting SWCNTs plotted as a function of laser energy.



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# Chemical Derivatization of La@C<sub>82</sub> and La<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>80</sub> with Phenylchlorodiazirine

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A chemical derivatization of endohedral metallofullerenes adds new physical and chemical properties to the corresponding metallofullerenes. The structural determination of the functionalized endohedral metallofullerenes is also an important subject, since this can provide useful information for application in material science and biochemistry. Recently, we reported that endohedral metallofullerenes react with adamantylidene carbene (Ad:) to afford the monoadducts regioselectively,  $La@C_{82}(Ad)^{[1]}$ ,  $La_2@C_{78}(Ad)^{[2]}$ ,  $Sc_3C_2@C_{80}(Ad)^{[3]}$ . Theoretical calculation also suggests that the regioselectivity on carbene addition may be due to the charge density and the local strain of the cage carbons.

Phenylchlorodiazirine has been known to afford phenylchlorocarbene (:CPhCl) upon photoirradiation.<sup>[4]</sup> We carried for the first time the reaction of La@C<sub>82</sub> and La2@C<sub>80</sub> with that diazirine and obtained the monoadducts as phenylchlorocarbene derivative. Spectral analysis suggests that La@C<sub>82</sub>(CPhCl) may be a mixture of two inseparable diastereomers having a same addition position of carbene. Meanwhile, the regioselective addition took place to afford La2@C<sub>80</sub>(CPhCl).



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## [2+1] Cycloaddition of Nitrene onto [60]fullerene: Interconversion between an Aziridinofullerene and an Azafulleroid

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In the chemistry of fullerene, the functionalization of fullerenes is one of the most interesting themes regarding to the development of new nanomaterials with the unique properties. Azafulleroids and aziridinofullerenes, including aza-bridged structures, are such examples of modified fullerenes, which are obtained by 1,3-dipolar [3+2] cycloaddition manner of organic azides with crucial problems for toxicity and explosibility.<sup>1</sup> Thus, new useful methods for the preparation of them are expected.

In the course of our study on the development of synthetic methodology for aziridination of [60]fullerene, we carried out the photoreaction of [60]fullerene with sulfilimines. A nitrene generated by photochemical cleavage of the S-N linkage in sulfilimines easily reacted with [60]fullerene to afford the corresponding three-membered aziridinofullerene, exclusively. We also found that aziridinofullerene (1) rearranged thermally to azafulleroid (2) in high yield, with the fact that 2 rearranges 1 photochemically.<sup>2</sup> Here we report the regioselective aziridination of [60]fullerene and the reversible interconversion between 1 and 2. The structures of both adducts were successfully determined by single-crystal X-ray analyses.



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## HPLC Purification of Li Endohedral [60]Fullerene

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We have reported efficient synthesis of lithium endohedral fullerene (Li@C<sub>60</sub>) by supplying low energy Li ions together with C<sub>60</sub> molecules on a metal substrate (plasma shower method) and extraction Li@C<sub>60</sub> by precipitation in a solvent [1–2].

HPLC (high performance liquid chromatography) has applied to purify endohedral fullerenes including endohedral [60]fullerene [3–5]. The eluent of aniline was chosen for the purification of both  $\text{Er}@C_{60}[3]$  and  $\text{Eu}@C_{60}[4]$  using a Buckyclutcher-I column. We have tried to apply HPLC purification of Li@C\_{60}. The poster shows some of experimental results for HPLC purification of Li endohedral [60]fullerene.

1-chloronaphtalene was chosen as extraction solvent and HPLC eluent as a most soluble solvent of the product by the plasma shower method. The chromatogram of the HPLC extract shows two peaks (Fig. 1). The latter peak (peak 2) was assigned as the original fullerene of C<sub>60</sub>. On the other hand, the LDI-TOF mass spectrum of the former peak (peak 1) showed mostly single ion peak of Li@C<sub>60</sub> (m/z = 727). However, monomolecular of Li@C<sub>60</sub> was not separated by repetition of the HPLC purification. These results suggest that the interaction between Li@C<sub>60</sub> and C<sub>60</sub> is considerably strong and they form a nano-size cluster in the solution.



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# Electron Transport Properties of Sc<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub>@C<sub>84</sub> Using the Encapsulated Sc<sub>2</sub>C<sub>2</sub> Moiety as an Electric lead, First-Principle Study

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Fullerene and its related compounds are active components to establish molecular electronic devices. Endohedral metallo-fullerenes are expected to have distinctive characters of the electron transport properties because of the unique electronic structure of the inside of the carbon shell. In this study, we analyzed the electron transport properties of  $Sc_2C_2@C_{84}$ , which has encapsulated  $Sc_2C_2$  moiety in the  $C_{84}$  cage, by first-principle calculations.

The model systems to analyze are illustrated in Fig. 1 where a  $Sc_2C_2@C_{84}$  is locating between two infinite gold electrodes. Two configurations of the  $C_2$  residue sandwiched by two Sc atoms were analyzed to evaluate the effect of the free movement of the  $C_2$  residue[1]. All of the analyses were performed by Atomistix ToolKit [2-3] which implements nonequilibrium Green's function's (NEGF) technique and density functional theory to calculate electron transport properties of the molecular device.

Fig. 2 shows calculated transmission spectra of two configurations of the C<sub>2</sub> residue, indicating the transmission spectrum is significantly decreased after the rotation of the C<sub>2</sub> residue, in spite of the energy change by the rotation is trivial. The origin of the fall of the transmission around 0.4 eV could be realized by calculating the transmission eigenstate[4], which provide a direct picture of the electronic states that contribute to the transmission. The contour plot of transmission eigenestate (in Fig. 1(a)) at 0.42 eV before C<sub>2</sub> rotation clearly indicates that the back donation like electronic structure between  $\pi^*$  like orbital in the C<sub>2</sub> residue and d-orbital of Sc atoms are important for the transmission. It could be estimated that the formation of the complex between the C<sub>2</sub> residue and Sc atoms were broken by the movement of the C<sub>2</sub> residue and it caused of the decrease of the transmission. The detail analyses will be discussed in the presentation.



Fig. 1 (a) Schematic and (b) graphical plots of  $Sc_2C_2@C_{84}$  molecular device. The contour plot in (a) describes a transmission eigenstate at 0.42(eV) before the rotation of the  $C_2$  residue.



Fig. 2 Transmission spectra of  $Sc_2C_2@C_{84}$  molecular device, before rotation of the C<sub>2</sub> residue (black line) and after rotation (gray line)

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## Photophysical Properties of N@C<sub>60</sub>

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In 1996, Weidinger and co-workers reported the first synthesis and characterization of  $N@C_{60}$ .<sup>1</sup> The nitrogen atom encapsulated in  $C_{60}$  is neutral and locates at the center of the cage without the chemical bonding to the cage. EPR and ENDOR spectra show that the nitrogen atom keeps the atomic ground-state configuration (three electrons in the 2p shell,  ${}^{4}S_{3/2}$ ).<sup>2,3</sup> The complete decoupling of the endohedral spin from the cage causes the exceptionally long spin dechoherence time, even at room temperature in the solid state. Based on these specific properties,  $N@C_{60}$  has been proposed as the building blocks for logical gates in quantum computing devices.<sup>4,5</sup> However, despite the attractive material,  $N@C_{60}$  has not yet been fully investigated because of the difficulties in preparation and purification of a large amount of the material.<sup>6,7</sup>

We herein report HPLC purification and photophysical properties of  $N@C_{60}$ . The multi-step recycling HPLC leads to 100% pure  $N@C_{60}$  from a crude mixture consisting mostly of empty  $C_{60}$ . The properties of  $N@C_{60}$  have been investigated through <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy, UV-visible absorption spectroscopy ant triplet state kinetics by laser flash photolysis experiments.

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### Synthesis of High Purity Nitrogen Atom Encapsulated Fullerenes

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Many works related to the properties of a nitrogen atom encapsulated fullerene  $C_{60}$  (N@C<sub>60</sub>) are reported [1, 2], but the synthesis of N@C<sub>60</sub> with high yield and high purity has not yet been realized. Although N@C<sub>60</sub> has been produced by several plasma methods, the purity of N@C<sub>60</sub> is extremely low (N@C<sub>60</sub>/C<sub>60</sub> = 10<sup>-3</sup> - 10<sup>-2</sup> %). The purpose of this research is to elucidate a formation mechanism of N@C<sub>60</sub> in order to improve the purity. We reported that the high purity of 0.02 - 0.05 % was achieved using an electron beam superimposed RF discharge plasma and that it was yielded by increasing atomic nitrogen species density in the nitrogen plasma [3].

The schematic of experimental apparatus is shown in Ref.4. The nitrogen plasma is generated by applying an RF power with a frequency of 13.56 MHz to a spiral-shaped RF antenna and controlled by the applied RF power  $P_{\text{RF}}$ , a nitrogen gas pressure  $P_{\text{N2}}$ , a substrate potential  $V_{\text{sub}}$  and a potential  $V_{\text{g}}$  of a mesh grid (20 meshes/cm), which is set up in the area between the RF antenna and the substrate. The upper side and lower side of the grid are defined as "plasma production area" and "process area", respectively. The plasma potentials in the two areas are controlled by  $V_{\text{g}}$ , and a potential difference is formed between the areas. The potential difference produces an electron beam from the plasma production area to the process area and the electron beam dissociates nitrogen molecules.  $C_{60}$  is sublimated from an oven and deposited on the water-cooled cylindrical substrate. The nitrogen plasma is continuously irradiated to  $C_{60}$  on the substrate. The  $C_{60}$  compound including N@C\_{60} deposited on the substrate is analyzed by electron spin resonance (ESR) and UV-vis absorption spectroscopy to calculate the purity (N@C\_{60}/C\_{60}).

Figure 1 shows a dependence of the purity of N@C<sub>60</sub> on  $P_{\text{RF}}$ . It is found that the purity of about 0.08 % is achieved under the condition that the applied RF power is more than 300 W. It is considered that the electron density in the plasma production area and the electron beam density in the process area increase with increasing  $P_{\text{RF}}$ . This increased electron beam enhances the production of atomic nitrogen species in the process area, resulting in the improvement of the purity.



Fig. 1: Dependence of the purity of N@C<sub>60</sub> on  $P_{\text{RF}}$ .  $P_{\text{N2}} = 0.7$  Pa,  $V_{\text{g}} = 100$  V,  $V_{\text{sub}} = 100$  V.

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## Detection of single atomic layer of graphene by highly charged ion

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we propose a possibility of detecting single-atomic layer of graphene by using high-speed highly charged Ar ion. We have applied the molecular dynamics simulation [1] coupled with the time-dependent density functional theory [2] for an  $Ar^{7+}$  ion which is passing through a graphene sheet with high kinetic energies. When the kinetic energy of the  $Ar^{7+}$  ion reached 500 KeV at the moment of passing

graphene sheet, through а excitation electronic occurs inside Ar<sup>7+</sup> ion in addition to the charge transfer. Because of the excitation, the penetrated Ar ion can emit lights in an energy range from extreme violet to soft X-ray which was also reported similar experiment using а carbon foil [3].



According to the charge density profile around Ar ion (Fig. 1), the oscillation of electron cloud can



bee seen after passing through a graphene sheet. This picture suggests the intra-ion excitation. This work is supported by the Next Generation Supercomputer Project of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) Japan.

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# Effect of heat-treatment temperature on preparation of carbonized ferritin

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Ferritin is an iron storage protein, which is consisted of protein shell and ferrihydrite phosphate nanoparticle. The inner and outer diameters of protein shell are ca. 8 and 12 nm, respectively. This protein is a potential candidate for protein engineering of nanomaterial synthesis. In this study, carbonization ferritin was prepared by heat-treatment under a hydrogen gas atmosphere.

Ferritin was immobilized onto 3-aminopropyltrimethoxysilane-modified silicon surface (3-APMS/Si). Carbonized ferritin was prepared by heat-treatment for ferritin on 3-APMS/Si at 200, 400 and 600  $^{\circ}$ C for 60 min under H<sub>2</sub> gas.

After heat-treatment at 400 and 600 °C, the treated ferritin showed graphite structure by Raman spectroscopic measurements. The results indicated that protein shell was carbonized well. On the other hand, after heat-treatment at 200 °C, graphite structure was not confirmed. Fig. 1 shows tapping-mode AFM image of carbonized ferritin at 400 °C. The size of each carbonization ferritin was evaluated to be approximately 5 nm in diameter, which was similar size to the ferritin core size. Fig. 2 shows XPS spectra of ferritin after heat-treatment at 400 °C. The XPS spectrum for heat-treatment under air gave an iron oxide peak around 711 eV. On the other hand, heat-treatment under H<sub>2</sub> gas did not give any peak corresponding to iron species. The result suggests that ferritin core was covered with the carbon film derived from protein shell.



Fig. 1 Tapping-mode AFM image of ferritin after heat-treatment at 400  $^{\circ}$ C for 60 min under H<sub>2</sub> gas.

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## **Chlorine-End-Capped Polyyne: Formation and Characterization**

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We performed laser ablation of graphite particles in organic solvents composed of carbon and chlorine, e.g., tetrachloroethylene, and analyzed soluble molecules by high performance liquid chromatography. Among many kinds of molecules thus produced then detected by their uv absorption spectra, we found one exhibiting absorption spectra typical for linear-polyyne species. Figure 1 shows uv/vis absorption spectra of the molecule in hexane at room temperature. The observation of a single electronic transition, a band peaking at 445 nm which is accompanied by a few peaks due to a vibrational progression, is compatible with the characteristic features commonly observed for polyynes: a single dipole-allowed electronic transition of  $\pi$ - $\pi^*$  character (cf. in the uv region of 227-316 nm for HC<sub>2n</sub>H of n=4-8 in hexane) with a single vibrational progression for one of the stretching modes of the sp-carbon chain (cf. ~2000 cm<sup>-1</sup> for HC<sub>2n</sub>H). The similarity in overall appearance in the absorption spectra indicates that the carrier of the absorption features in Fig. 1 is a symmetric polyyne,  $XC_{2n}X$ . Concerning the energy levels, however, some quantitative differences are noticeable. The transition energy (~2.8 eV) and the vibrational frequency (~1500 cm<sup>-1</sup>) are distinctly lower than those for  $HC_{2n}H$ . If we assume the substituents, X, being Cl atoms, the differences would be understood in terms of an electron-induction effect due to the end-capping chlorine atoms, by which the electronic structure and the potential curve thus its vibrational frequency should be modified.



**Figure 1.** Absorption spectra of molecules isolated from laser-ablated graphite in tetrachloroethylene (measurement performed in hexane at room temperature).

## **Resonance Effects in the Raman Spectra of Polyynes**

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Raman spectroscopy is a powerful tool for the study of vibrational as well as electronic properties of molecules and solids, including fullerenes and nanotubes. Conjugated linear carbon molecules, polyynes, are also characterized by Raman spectroscopy [1,2]. The resonance enhancement of the Raman scattering intensity is advantageous for detection and useful for understanding of the spectral features. We here present theoretical analysis of the Raman scattering intensity for a selected polyyne,  $C_{10}H_2$  [2]. Our study includes 1) experimental excitation curves of the Raman scattering intensity, 2) theoretical analysis of the Franck-Condon overlaps between the excited and the ground states, and 3) a fitting for the excitation curves in terms of the resonance effects. The analysis for polyyne  $C_{10}H_2$  provides us with valuable insights into vibrational as well as electronic properties for polyatomic molecular systems with a linear symmetry.

Figure 1 shows typical Raman spectra of  $C_{10}H_2$  in hexane. The band at 2123 cm<sup>-1</sup> is attributed to a single-quantum excitation of the symmetric-stretching vibrational mode,  $v_3\sigma_g$ , of the carbon chain. The Raman scattering intensity for this mode is increased upon resonance excitation of the dipole-allowed electronic transition,  ${}^{1}\Sigma_{u}^{+}\leftarrow {}^{1}\Sigma_{g}^{+}$ , in the uv. Figure 2 shows the experimental excitation function of the Raman scattering intensity and the absorption spectra for comparison. Detailed analysis of the excitation profile will be discussed.

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Figure 1. Resonance Raman spectra of  $C_{10}H_2$  in hexane excited with uv laser pulses at 262 nm.

Figure 2. Excitation function of the Raman scattering intensity (o), absorption (-), and a fitting curve (...).

## Cyanopolyynes Formed by Laser Ablation of Graphite in Acetonitrile

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Since the astronomical observation of cyanopolyynes,  $H(C\equiv C)_n C\equiv N$ , in the late '70s [1], there have been a number of reports on spectroscopic investigations for the linear carbon molecules both in the laboratory and in space, mostly by rotational spectroscopy in the radio-frequency ranges. Interests in the optical and electronic properties due to conjugated  $\pi$ -electron systems have emerged recently, especially after the production by laser ablation.

In this work, we produced milligram quantities of cyanopolyynes by laser ablation of graphite particles in acetonitrile. They were separated by using high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) and detected by uv-absorption spectra. For the studies of the molecular structure and the formation mechanism, <sup>13</sup>C-nmr spectra were recorded by using <sup>13</sup>C-enriched graphite powders as starting materials.

Figure 1 shows uv absorption spectra of HC<sub>9</sub>N, HC<sub>11</sub>N, and HC<sub>13</sub>N in acetonitrile at room temperature. A rich structure in the spectra is attributed to two vibrational progressions, one for the dipole-allowed electronic transition in shorter wavelengths and the other for the forbidden electronic transition in longer wavelengths. In contrast to the case for the symmetric polyynes, e.g., HC<sub>2n</sub>H or NC<sub>2n</sub>N, the absorption intensity for the latter progression relative to the former one is two orders of magnitude higher for the asymmetric polyynes of HC<sub>2n+1</sub>N.

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Figure 1. Absorption spectra of monocyanopolyynes.

## Dicyanopolyynes Formed by Laser Ablation of Graphite in Liquid Nitrogen

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Dicyanoacetylenes constitute a homologous series of end-capped linear *sp* carbon. Hirsch et al. produced the series of molecules,  $N \equiv C(C \equiv C)_n C \equiv N$  of n=3-8, by vaporization of graphite under Krätschmer-Huffman conditions in the presence of cyanogen (CN)<sub>2</sub> and characterized by uv-absorption and <sup>13</sup>C-nmr spectra [1]. In the present work, we applied laser ablation of graphite particles in liquids to form dicyanopolyynes. In acetonitrile, CH<sub>3</sub>CN, the yield of the molecules was less than the series of monocyanopolyynes,  $H(C \equiv C)_n C \equiv N$ . Therefore, for the purpose of increasing the relative yield of dicyanopolyynes, we performed laser ablation of graphite particles under hydrogen-free conditions, i.e., in liquid nitrogen.

Graphite powders were dispersed in liquid nitrogen and ablated by laser pulses (Nd:YAG 532 nm  $\sim$ 0.2 J/pulse, 10 Hz) for 3 hours. The molecules were extracted with acetonitrile. After filtration, we got brown-colored solutions. The chemical species in the solutions were detected by uv absorption spectra upon chromatographic separations.

Figure 1 shows uv absorption spectra of dicyanopolyvnes (n=2-6) in acetonitrile. The absorption wavelengths systematically shift with the molecular size. The vibrational progression with separations of ~2000 cm<sup>-1</sup> is characteristic of symmetric stretching vibration of the sp carbon chain. These molecules found to be unstable in solutions at room temperatures. For the study for polymerization, decay curves of the uv absorption intensity were measured for size-separated dicyanopolyyne molecules in solution.



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## Kinetic study in Diels-Alder reactions of fulleroids and methanofullerenes with various 1,3-dienes

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The 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition reaction of various diazoalkanes with  $C_{60}$  is well known to give the [6,6]closed methanofullerenes 1 and the [5,6]open fulleroids 2 via the nitrogen evolution from the primary adducts pyrazolines.<sup>1</sup> Like the pristine  $C_{60}$ , these two types of fullerene derivatives also exhibit the thermally allowed  $[\pi 2_s + \pi 4_s]$  cycloadditions such as Diels-Alder (DA) reaction.<sup>2</sup> However, a detailed kinetic study of these fullerene derivatives with 1,3-dienes has not been hitherto carried out. Hence, in the present work on the DA reactions of variously substituted 1,3-dienes with 1 and 2 bearing various R and R' substituents at 30°C in toluene, we have investigated the factors controlling the reactivity in comparison with the reactions with  $C_{60}$ .

It was found that the fulleroids 2 were 1.1-165 times more reactive than the methanofullerenes 1 for all the 1,3-dienes tested. The relative rate constants with respect to the DA reaction with C<sub>60</sub> were strongly dependent on the steric nature of the 1,3-dienes as well as the substituents R and R' at the methano-bridged carbon atom. These steric effects will be discussed in terms of the difference in the Diels-Alder reaction site of these fullerene derivatives.



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# Evaluation of Antioxidant Activity of Water-Soluble Fullerene Derivatives and Natural Antioxidants by β-Carotene Bleaching Assay

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Water-soluble fullerenes are known to behave as potent scavengers for reactive oxygen species (ROS) in cell cultures and can protect human skin keratinocytes from UV irradiation and chemical oxidative damage by *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide [1,2]. Recently, we first evaluated the antioxidant activity of some water-soluble fullerenes such as  $\gamma$ -cyclodextrin-bicapped [60]fullerene ( $\gamma$ -CD/C<sub>60</sub>) and polyvinylpyrrolidone-entrapped [60]fullerene (PVP/C<sub>60</sub>) by  $\beta$ -carotene bleaching assay and found the good inhibitory effects on the oxidative discoloration of  $\beta$ -carotene associated with the spontaneous autoxidation of linoleic acid [3].

In the present study, we investigated the antioxidant activity of water-soluble [60]fullerene derivatives such as epoxides, methanofullerenes, and fulleroid, in comparison with some natural antioxidants. We found that the  $PVP/C_{60}O$  and  $PVP/C_{60}O_n$  showed higher antioxidant activity (%AOA) than  $PVP/C_{60}$  and some natural antioxidants.



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## Photoelectrochemical Properties of [70] fullerene derivatives on ITO

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Photocurrent conversion system is one of the most important issues and many efforts have been devoted to create more efficient and useful devices. Fullerene is one of promising materials for the purpose because of its special electrochemical properties, such as multiple redox events. Especially, [70]fullerene shows a high performance of optical and electrochemical properties. Previously, we have reported the synthesis and characterizations of tri-adducts of fullerenes and their metal complexes.<sup>1</sup> They show a long-wavelength absorption (> 650 nm) and reversible multiple redox based on the fullerene and metal moieties. It should be noted that if these unique materials can be immobilized on an electrode surface, many intriguing devices should be created.

We will report preparation method of self-assembled monolayers (SAMs) consisting [70]fullerene derivatives on the indium tin oxide (ITO) electrodes (Fig. 1) and their photoelectrochemical properties. Furthermore, we will propose a unique application of these fullerene derivatives.



Fig.1. Image of the film preparation on an indium tin oxide (ITO) electrode

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 $\eta^5$ -Fullerene metal complexes have been energetically studied in our group and a variety of organometallic compounds, both half-sandwich type and sandwich type, have been reported [1]. However,  $\eta^5$ -fullerene cobalt complexes were not reported yet.

This time, we report the synthesis and property of an  $\eta^5$ -fullerene cobalt complex 3, a new class of half-sandwich type fullerene metal complexes. Cobalt dithiolene complexes are known to have unusual electronic structures, which is comprised of a metallacyclic conjugation of 6  $\pi$ -electrons in the 5-membered ring with charge transfer from p-orbital of the sulfer atom to the d-orbital of the cobalt atom. These unique conjugation systems give interesting chemical and physical properties, such as redox and absorption properties. In addition to those unusual electronic structures, the  $\eta^5$ -fullerene cobalt complex 3 has a fullerene moiety, which has an electron-withdrawing character. The  $\pi$ -electron systems between upper cyclopentadienyl and lower hemispherical substructures are partly overlapped through an endohedral homoconjugation.

To a solution of  $KC_{60}(biph)_5$  in THF was added an excess amount of a mixture of  $I_2$  and  $Co_2(CO)_8$  in THF to give a cobalt dicarbonyl complex **2** in 49% isolated yield. The dicarbonyl complex **2** was heated at 110 °C with excess amounts of elemental sulfur and an electron deficient alkyne to afford a cobalt dithiolene complex **3** in 83% isolated yield. The dithiolene complex **3** was characterized by UV-vis spectrum and cyclic voltammetry.



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# Hydroarylation of Fullerene with Aromatic Compounds and Subsequent Friedel-Crafts Acetylation Reaction

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Elucidation of the regiochemistry in chemical modification of fullerene and fullerene derivatives has been one of the most significant subjects from both the mechanistic and the synthetic viewpoints. In 1991, Olah first reported a multiple hydroarylation of [60]fullerene catalyzed by AlCl<sub>3</sub> without isolation of any adduct [1]. After 15 years, Nakamura's and our groups have independently isolated some these hydroarylation adducts and determined the structure and regiochemistry [2]. The regioselectively formed mono- or bisarylated adducts are of quite interest in a further chemical modification. In this study, we investigated the AlCl<sub>3</sub>-catalyzed Friedel–Crafts acetylation of mono-hydroarylated fullerene adducts.

The reaction of  $C_{60}$  with various aromatic compounds (substituted benzenes, biphenyl, and naphthalene) in the presence of AlCl<sub>3</sub> was terminated at the appropriate conversion in order to attain a higher yield of monoadduct. Subsequently, the acetylation of the pre-introduced aromatic rings with an excess amount of acetyl chloride was carried out to give the expected products along with some other products depending on the aryl rings. These results indicated that the fullerene cage behaves as a bulky electron withdrawing substituent.



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# Surface Functionalization of Fullerene Bilayer Vesicles and Study of Water Permeability

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Bilayer membranes made of phospholipids are the fundamental structure in biology in that the membrane physically holds the biological machinery while keeping permeability to water at ambient temperature. Permeability of the membrane to water has therefore drawn much interest of scientists in various fields.



*Figure 1.* (A) A bilayer vesicle made of amphiphilic fullerene 1–7. (B) Thermodynamics and a schematic view of water permeation through fullerene bilayer made of 1.

In the present study, we found that a fullerene bilayer vesicle formed from amphiphilic fullerene,  $Ph_5C_{60}K$  (1), has extremely low permeability to water. The fullerene bilayer recorded permeability coefficient of  $5.43 \times 10^{-7}$  m/s (20 °C) which was 10000~100 times smaller than common lipid bilayers. The extremely low permeability originates from the entropy-controlled process in the water permeation mechanism.<sup>1</sup>

In addition, the surface of fullerene bilayer vesicles could be functionalized by introducing substituents on the periphery of the amphiphilic fullerenes (2-7). The study of water permeability of the fullerene membranes showed that the water permeability to fullerene bilayers could be controlled by changing the length of alkyl chains or the polarity of substituents attached on the vesicle surface.

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## Singlet Oxygen Generation Efficiencies of Water-Soluble Fullerenes and Their Photo-Induced Cytotoxicity

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Fullerenes are known to act as very strong photosensitizing agents due to their unique photophysical properties. For instance,  $C_{60}$  efficiently generate singlet oxygen ( ${}^{1}O_{2}$ ) under UV irradiation because the triplet energy of  $C_{60}$  locates at about 1.6 eV which is approximately 0.7 eV higher than the  ${}^{1}O_{2}$  energy. The ability to produce  ${}^{1}O_{2}$  has been responsible for many biological actions of fullerenes such as DNA-cleavage and cell-toxicity. However, the quantitative evaluations of the singlet oxygen generation efficiencies of fullerenes have so far been limited.<sup>1</sup>

In this study, we have solubilized fullerenes into water using gamma-cyclodextrin<sup>2</sup> and poly(vinylpyrrilidone), and estimated their  ${}^{1}O_{2}$  generation efficiencies by detecting the near-infrared  ${}^{1}O_{2}$  emission at ~1275 nm. The obtained emission intensities were directly compared with those of typical photosensitizers (rose bengal and methylene blue) under the same experimental conditions. Furthermore, we also investigated the photo-induced cytotoxicity of the water-soluble fullerenes by WST-1 assay using rat fibroblast cell line (5RP7). We have compared with the results and assessed consistency of them.

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#### Synthesis of Fullerene Glycoconjugates via a Copper-Catalyzed Huisgen Cycloaddition Reaction

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The multivalent display of saccharides is an important principle of molecular recognition in biological systems, and a number of tailor-made ligands for natural protein receptors have been synthesized. Among various low molecular weight displays, glycoconjugates possessing a number of carbohydrate units show promising phenomena of interaction with some important protein receptors. Here, we report the successful application of Cu-catalyzed Huisgen cycloaddition to the efficient and quick synthesis of fullerene glycoconjugates bearing as many as fifteen sugar moieties possessing a  $C_5$  symmetric framework [1].

The synthetic strategy of the five-fold Cu-catalyzed Huisgen cycloaddition approach is shown in Scheme 1. Penta-alkynyl fullerene 1 was treated with oligosaccharides, which bear a tether terminated with an azide group, in the presence of copper bromide and diisopropylethylamine in DMSO at 40 °C for 3 days. The reaction was so clean that the target molecules 2 were obtained in high yield and purity after washing excess azide and copper salts away. Compounds 2a and 2b are among the most densely functionalized organic molecules prepared using Cu-catalyzed Huisgen cycloaddition, and this new methodology provides a powerful strategy for multivalent saccharide displays.

Scheme 1.



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## Growth characteristics of single-walled carbon nanotubes at low temperature by low-pressure chemical vapor deposition

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The low-pressure growth<sup>1,2)</sup> of single-wall carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) is a key technology in fabricating SWNT-based nanodevices, such as hybrids devices with a two- dimensional GaAs/AlGaAs system.<sup>3)</sup>. This is because it is possible to grow them at temperatures as low as 350 °C in the low-pressure of 0.1-1 Pa.<sup>1)</sup> In this paper, we report on the growth characteristic of the growth of SWNTs by the chemical vapor deposition (CVD) in the low-pressure of 2 x  $10^{-3}$  Pa using in-situ catalyst deposition.

The low-pressure growth was preformed with the ethanol gas of  $2x10^{-3}$  Pa after the in-situ catalyst deposition (Co,0.1 nm) in ultra-high vacuum (UHV). The detail processes are described in the reference.<sup>4)</sup> Raman spectroscopy with an excitation wavelength of 514.5 nm was carried out to characterize the grown SWNTs.

Figure 1 shows the Raman spectra of the radial breathing mode (RBM, the left panel) and the high energy mode (HEM, the right panel) for samples grown at different temperatures. The growth time was 1000 min for 380 °C and 350 °C, and 3000 min for 340 °C. For 380 °C, it is clearly seen that the there is a peak at 270 cm<sup>-1</sup> in the RBM region, and the peak at G-Band (~1590 cm<sup>-1</sup>) splits into two with one at 1550 cm<sup>-1</sup> (G<sup>+</sup>). These observations confirm the growth of SWNTs at 380 °C. For 350 °C, a peak in the RBM was not observed. In HEM, however, the





From these results, it was found that the low-pressure CVD of 2 x  $10^{-3}$  Pa with the in-situ catalyst deposition in UHV can grow SWNTs at the temperature as low as 350 °C.



## Effective catalyst diameter for extended growth duration of single-walled carbon nanotubes

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*In-situ* Raman observation is very useful for investigating the growth mechanism of single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWCNTs) [1]. At the last meeting, we reported kinetic analyses of the time evolution of chirality-sensitive radial breathing mode (RBM) signals observed in *in-situ* Raman spectra during CVD growth [2]. Using Co-ferritin as a catalyst, we

can rule out the effects of diffusion and aggregation of catalyst nanoparticles on SWCNT growth, which is significantly seen for thin film catalyst. In this work, we investigated the growth pressure-dependent behavior of CVD growth using Co-ferritin catalyst by *in-situ* Raman spectroscopy and AFM.

*In-situ* Raman spectra were obtained with a  $\mu$ -Raman system (633-nm excitation wavelength) combined with an ethanol-CVD system. Co-ferritin catalysts were prepared on a SiO<sub>2</sub> substrate [3]. The CVD was performed at 720 °C under the ethanol gas pressures of 80, 100, and 120 Pa. AFM observation was performed after the CVD growth.

Figure 1 shows growth duration  $\tau$  for each RBM peak, obtained by a kinetic analysis of the time evolution of the RBM intensity in *in-situ* Raman spectra. It is found that the  $\tau$  of specific RBM peaks for 100 Pa is significantly large. Figure 2 shows diameter distributions of Co catalyst nanoparticles before CVD and those of active Co catalyst nanoparticles (nanoparticles with SWCNTs) obtained at different ethanol gas pressures. The average diameter of active Co catalyst nanoparticles is larger than that of Co nanoparticles before CVD. For 100 Pa, the Co catalyst nanoparticles with a diameter of about 3 nm are effective for SWCNT growth. In addition, longer SWCNTs are grown from the 3 nm nanoparticles for 100 Pa. These results suggest that Co catalyst nanoparticles with a specific diameter extend the growth duration. This work was partly supported by JSPS Grant-in Aid for Scientific Research (B).

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Fig. 2 Diameter distributions of (a) Co catalyst nanoparticles before CVD and (b-d) active Co catalyst nanoparticles obtained under ethanol gas pressures of 80, 100, and 120 Pa, respectively.

#### RHEED Study on Growth Process of Carbon Nanotubes by Chemical Vapor Deposition

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Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) were synthesized by chemical vapor deposition (CVD) using an ethanol gas in ultrahigh vacuum chamber, and the growth process of CNTs was *in-situ* investigated by reflection high-energy electron diffraction (RHEED). Cobalt (Co) films of 1nm thickness were used as catalyst for the growth of CNTs. The films were prepared on a silicon substrate coated with silica films by high-vacuum electron beam deposition. A base pressure of 5 x  $10^{-6}$  Pa was kept before CVD in order to minimize the effect of the residual gas on the CNT growth. The substrate was heated at 800 °C in a pressure of 1 x  $10^{2}$  Pa for 2 hours during CVD. The morphology of CNTs was observed by scanning electron microscopy (SEM).

Figure 1(a) shows an ED pattern from the Co/SiO<sub>2</sub>/Si substrate before CVD. Figures 1(b) and 1(c) show ED patterns from the substrate after 1 hour CVD and 2 hour CVD, respectively. Figures 2(a)-2(c) show SEM images corresponding to Figs. 1(a)-1(c). The as-deposited Co film is composed of Co islands with diameter smaller than 10 nm, as seen in Fig. 2(a). The Co islands have a face-centered cubic structure, as indexed in Fig.1 (a). After CVD for 1 hour, Debye rings with d-spacings of ca. 0.2 and 0.3 nm, corresponding to the 10 0 and 00 2 refractions from graphite, appear, as shown in Fig. 1(b). In Fig. 2(b), CNTs with an average diameter of 8 nm is observed. After CVD for 2 hours, the average diameter of CNTs increases up to 10 nm, as shown in Fig. 2(c).



Fig.1 ED patterns taken from the substrate surface (a) as-deposited, (b) after1 hour and (c) for 2 hours. The substrate is heated at 800 °C during CVD.



Fig.2 (a) -(c) SEM images of corresponding to Figs. 1(a)-1(c), respectively.

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## Carbon Nanotube Growth with Dipped (Fe,Co) Mo Catalysts by Chemical Vapor Deposition

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Single-Wall Carbon Nanotubes (SWNTs) are metals or semiconductors strongly depending on their diameter and chirality. For applying SWNTs to the nanoscale electronic devices, the diameter, the alignment and the chirality should be controlled. The diameter might be determined by the size of the catalysts, and the in-plane alignment was also reported in growth on sapphire or in "fast-heating" chemical vapor deposition (CVD) process and so on[1,2]. We propose a novel technique to control the chirality using free electron laser (FEL) irradiation.

As the first step of the chirality control, carbon nanotubes (CNTs) were grown on quartz substrates with dipped (Fe, Co) Mo catalysts. The quartz substrates were soaked for one min in HF solution and then ultrasonically cleaned for 10 min in Semico clean 23 (Furuuchi Chemical Corp.). The substrate was dipped in methanol dissolving Fe and Mo with the molar ratio of 94:6 using Fe(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>·9H<sub>2</sub>O and MoO<sub>2</sub>(acac)<sub>2</sub>. The dipping speed was 600  $\mu$ m/s. Dipped substrate was annealed for five min at 450 °C. The CNTs were grown using thermal chemical vapor deposition method with C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> feeding gas.

From the result of the Raman spectrum, the G- and D- bands were clearly observed at 1350cm<sup>-1</sup> and 1590cm<sup>-1</sup>, however the radial breathing mode was not confirmed. Figure 1



(scale: 3 μm) Fig.1 SEM image of the specimen

shows the scanning electron microscopy (SEM) image of the specimen. Wires with 20 nm in diameter randomly grew all over on substrate. Those results indicated that the CNTs with 20 nm in diameter were produced. The growth of CNTs with CoMo catalyst, and growth using alcohol catalytic chemical vapor deposition(ACCVD) will be discussed.

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# Sorting of double-walled carbon nanotubes using density-gradient ultracentrifugation

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Recently, Arnold et al. have reported a new separation method of metallic and semiconducting single-wall carbon nanotubes (SWCNTs) by using a density-gradient ultracentrifugation.[1] Although they have succeeded high-quality separation of SWCNTs, no one has tried to separate the double-wall carbon nanotubes (DWCNTs) to date. Here we report the preliminary results of the separation of DWCNTs. In the case of SWCNT, the difference in the electronic types of the nanotube wall is thought to cause the difference in the micelle density in the mixed surfactant system. On the other hand, the formation of the micelle for DWCNTs is expected to be modified by the inner shell. One possible modification is the additional sorting by the electronic type of inner shell and the other possibility is the sorting by the degree of the interaction between inner and outer shell.

DWCNTs used in this work were synthesized by the ethanol-CVD method by using Fe/MgO catalysts. After the isolation process, DWCNT dispersion was separated into 9 fractions by the density-gradient ultracentrifugation. The diameter distribution of inner and outer shell for each fraction was characterized using optical absorption, Raman, and photoluminescence (PL) spectroscopy.

Figure 1 shows Raman spectra of each fraction and the starting material. Radial breathing mode peaks observed between 200 and 400 cm<sup>-1</sup> could be attributed to the inner CNTs. The spectra clearly indicate that the lower density fraction contains smaller

diameter inner shell. The same tendency was also confirmed from the PL spectra. Interestingly, optical absorption spectra (not shown) show that the lower density fraction contains larger diameter outer shell. This result strongly suggests an additional sorting by the distance between inner and outer shell of the DWCNTs.

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### In-situ Monitoring and Kinetic Analysis of Millimeter-Thick Single-Walled Carbon Nanotube Growth

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Rapid growth of single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) was realized by the water-assisted growth method [1], and its growth kinetics was supposed as the exponential decay of the initial growth rate [2]. We reproduced such rapid growth by our combinatorial catalyst preparation method and proposed a novel mechanism of the growth rate enhancement by the  $Al_2O_3$  catalyst underlayer [3, 4]. In this study, we show the growth rate and the catalyst lifetime determined by the in-situ monitoring of growing SWNTs.

The growth condition was 8.0 kPa  $C_2H_4$ , 27 kPa  $H_2$ , 5.0 Pa  $H_2O$ , 67 kPa Ar at 1093 K. Figure 1a shows the nanotubes growing on the combinatorial catalyst library [5] of 0.2-3-nm Fe on Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/SiO<sub>2</sub>/Si, and Fig. 1b shows the time profile of the SWNT thickness with 0.5 nm Fe. The nanotube forest grew up at an initial growth rate of 4.5 µm/s, kept growing at that rate for 6 minutes, and then suddenly stopped growing. Kinetics can be more precisely determined by this in-situ monitoring method than the conventional batch experiments, because the catalytic growth of nanotubes is not so reproducible among different experimental runs.

Figure 2 show the effect of temperature (a) and  $C_2H_4$  pressure (b) on the growth rate and the catalyst lifetime at the Fe thickness of 1.0 nm. Both the higher temperature and  $C_2H_4$ pressure caused the higher growth rate. Higher temperature shortened the catalyst lifetime. On the other hand, the effect of  $C_2H_4$  pressure for the lifetime was not significant. The underlying mechanism will be discussed considering the reaction both in the gas phase and on the  $Al_2O_3$ substrate and the structural change of Fe nanoparticles.





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## Crucial Role of Gas-Phase Pyrolysis of Ethylene in Rapid Growth of Carbon Nanotubes

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Rapid growth of millimeter-thick SWNT forests in a few minutes was realized by water-assisted ethylene CVD <sup>[1]</sup>. We previously reproduced such growth using  $C_2H_4/H_2/H_2O/Ar$  reactant gas and Fe/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> catalyst, and found an essential role of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> under layer <sup>[2]</sup>. In this work, we studied the effect of gas phase and substrate temperatures separately, and found a crucial role of gas phase reaction in forming actual precursor from ethylene.

Figure 1 shows the experimental apparatus used in this study. The reactant gas was once heated by flowing through an externally-heated quartz tube, cooled down, and then fed to a resistively-heated graphite substrate on which the catalyst was supported. The typical condition was 60 Torr  $C_2H_4/200$  Torr  $H_2/0.076$  Torr  $H_2O/Ar$  for the reactant gas and 1 nm Fe/20 nm Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> for the catalyst.

Figure 2 shows the side-view images of the graphite substrates after CVD at 800 °C substrate temperature for 10 min. Nanotubes did not grow efficiently at preheating temperatures of 700 °C or below, but they grew efficiently to millimeter-thickness at higher preheating temperatures. CHEMKIN simulation showed the decomposition of  $C_2H_4$  and formation of  $C_2H_2$  in a residence time of a few seconds. Then, we mixed 4 Torr  $C_2H_2$  with 169 Torr  $H_2/$  0.076 Torr  $H_2O/$  Ar instead of  $C_2H_4$ , and found that millimeter-thick nanotube forests actually grew without preheating.  $C_2H_2$  is the actual precursor for the rapid nanotube growth from  $C_2H_4$  feedstock.



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#### Interaction of Amphiphilic Oligopeptides with Carbon Nanotubes

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For the industrial applications of carbon nanotubes (CNTs), the development of a method for purification of CNTs is one of the important issues. We have proposed the use of amphiphilic peptides as a dispersant to purify CNTs. In this study, we designed and prepared some amphiphilic oligopeptides composed of Gly and Phe as the hydrophilic and hydrophobic residues, respectively, and examined the effects of their hydrophilic, hydrophobic, and ionic properties on the dispersion of CNTs in water by means of elemental analysis, Raman spectroscopy, scanning electron microscopy (SEM), thermogravimetric analysis (TGA), transmission electron microscopy (TEM), and UV/Vis/NIR spectroscopy.

The results of dispersion experiments showed that a pentapeptide, Gly<sub>3</sub>-Phe<sub>2</sub>-OBzl (pep-2), was useful for dispersion of SWNTs (Hipco). The C-terminal Bzl ester was found to be essential to the dispersion by UV/Vis/NIR spectroscopy. Upon addition of methanol to the SWNTs-dispersed solution using pep-2, nanotubes components came out in the solution and could be recovered by centrifugation. From the data of TG and elemental analyses, the content of remaining pep-2 in recovered SWNTs was calculated to be 16 wt%. TEM images of bundled SWNTs were observed.

Moreover, we examined whether pep-2 could be used for purification of CNTs. A raw CNT material containing amorphous carbons and metallic catalysts was once dispersed in water and then recovered by addition of methanol. Comparison of SEM images of the raw and recovered CNTs showed disappearance of most of the amorphous carbons. Increase in area ratios of the Raman peaks (G/D) was observed after treatment with pep-2. On the other hand, results of TG and elemental analyses indicated that removal of the impurities was incomplete. In conclusion, raw CNTs can be purified to some extent using pep-2 without damaging them.



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#### Growth of super-long straight CNTs by highly dense catalyst particles

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We demonstrate synthesis of 7.4-mm long CNTs by dense catalyst particles obtained by adjusting thicknesses of sandwich-like catalyst films of Al/Fe/Al [1]. First, we investigated the effects of the film thickness of the top Al layer on the density of catalyst particles by annealing a substrate. When the Fe film was 0.5 nm in thickness, the densities of the catalyst particles measured from the SEM images were  $1.0 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  and  $1.3 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  for the top Al (0.5 nm) and the top Al (1.0 nm), respectively. The thicker top Al layer suppressed the diffusion of Fe atoms on a substrate, resulting in the denser catalyst particles from the 1.0-nm-thick Al layer. CNTs were synthesized on Si substrates coated with the catalyst films mentioned above. A mixture of hydrogen and methane and a remote-plasma CVD apparatus [1] were used for the CNT growth. Figure 1 shows SEM images of CNTs grown at 690°C for 30 h and schematic of the growth mechanism. CNTs obtained from the thicker top Al layer were higher for the same growth time. It is speculated that the density of CNTs also became higher for the thicker Al due to the dense catalyst particles and that the denser CNTs tend to be straightened by supporting one another even after long-time growth (Fig. 1). In the straight CNT mat, the diffusion length of carbon radicals to the catalyst particles at the bottom of CNTs [2] should be shorten, resulting in the higher growth



Figure 1. SEM images of super-long CNTs and the growth model.

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## Chemical Vapor Deposition of Carbon Nanotubes with dip-coated (Fe,Co)Pt catalysts

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Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) are able to become the channel for the spin electronic devices because the spin of the electron is preserved over the long distance when the electron conducts in CNTs. The aim of our study is to apply CNTs to the spintronics with the ferromagnetic metals or alloys as catalysts. In addition to that, chirality control of the single wall carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) is expected irradiating free electron laser, the features of which are variable wave length and very short micro-pulse width less than 1 ps, during CNTs growth. In this report, as a first step, the SWNTs were tried to grow by thermal chemical vapor deposition (TCVD) method with dipped (Fe, Co)Pt catalysts.

The quartz substrate was ultrasonically cleaned in acetone and ethanol, Semico-Clean23(Furuuchi Chemical Corporation), and soaked in HF and HCl mixed acid solution. The  $0.05 \times 10^{-4}$  mol of Fe and Pt or Co and Pt was distributed in 1 mol methanol. The sources were Fe(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>-9H<sub>2</sub>O, Co(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>-6H<sub>2</sub>O, and Pt(acac)<sub>2</sub>. The dipping speed was 60 or 600 µm/s. The dipped specimens were annealed for 5 min at 450°C. The TCVD was carried out for 5 min on the annealed substrate at 800°C and 100 kPa with Ar : H<sub>2</sub>: C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub> = 200 : 10 : 20 ccm.

Figure 1(a) shows the scanning electron microscope (SEM) image after TCVD with FePt catalyst and 600  $\mu$ m/s dipping speed. The diameter of CNTs was between 20 and 40 nm. The Raman spectrum showed G-band peak. As shown in figure 1(b) the SEM image showed the diameter of CNTs was between 15 and 30 nm. However



the area where CNTs grew was limited. It is expected that the wetting property between catalytic solution and substrate is an important parameter.

(a) catalyst is FePt.
 (b) Catalyst is CoPt.
 Fig.1 SEM image of a difference in catalyst

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## Effect of flow rate of ethanol on growth dynamics of VA-SWNT - Transition from no-flow CVD to normal ACCVD –

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Towards selective growth of SWNTs, it is important to know their growth mechanism. In previous studies, using optical absorbance technique, we have monitored the growth of vertically aligned single-walled carbon nanotubes (VA-SWNTs) [1] and obtained profiles of the VA-SWNT thickness with respect to the growth time, which was analized by suggesting a growth model [2].

In this study, the flow rate of ethanol during the CVD was controlled precisely. Figure 1 shows the growth curve of VA-SWNT film for various ethanol flow rates. In the figure, "No-flow "indicates that the supply of ethanol was stopped by sealing off the chamber during the reaction, when CVD was started. Normally, ACCVD is operated at flow rate of several hundred sccm. In that case, the growth rate of SWNT film decreases exponentially. On the other hand, for lower flow rate, the growth rate does not decrease with time and even increases in the case of 5sccm and 10sccm. However, after VA-SWNT film reaches certain thickness, the growth stops suddenly. The trend reflects the effect of ethanol decomposition in the growth mechanism of VA-SWNT using ACCVD method.

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Fig. 1 Growth curve of VA-SWNT for different flow rate. (b) is a magnification of initial 30 s.

## Growth of Very-Thin Single-Wall Carbon Nanotubes by Catalyst-supported Chemical Vapor Deposition Using Surface-Treated Zeolites

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The catalyst-supported chemical vapor deposition (CCVD) by using nanometer-sized metal particles and porous catalyst supports such as zeolites has been extensively investigated as a promising method for growth of single-wall carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) [1]. In the CCVD growth of SWNTs, preparation of size-controlled metal catalyst nanoparticles is essential to realize diameter-controlled growth of SWNTs, in which the diameter of SWNTs depends primarily on the size of catalyst nanoparticles employed [2]. Ordered micropores of zeolites can provide us an ideal nano-space to prepare size-controlled metal catalyst nanoparticles prepared using zeolites usually possess broad size distribution because of the formation of aggregates on the outer surface of zeolites. Thus, the SWNTs produced by the CCVD method have a large diameter-controlled growth of SWNTs by CCVD. Here, we report SWNTs growth by CCVD using the zeolite which supports metal nanoparticles only within the micropores.

A zeolite supporting Rh or Co was prepared by  $H_2$  reduction of the zeolites incorporating chlorides at 773 K Figure 1(a) shows a transmission electron microscopy (TEM) image of zeolite supporting Rh particles; The image shows many Rh particles aggregating on the surface. The zeolites supporting Rh or Co were refluxed at 353 K for 2 h with acetonitrile solution of  $Br_2$ , and

tetraethylammoniumbromide (TEAB) was used to remove the aggregates. Since, the molecular size of TEAB is larger than the diameter of the pore, the agent can remove only metals aggregating on the surface. Figure 1(b) shows zeolites supporting Rh, whose surface was similarly treated The image indicates that no Rh aggregate exists on the surface. The CCVD was carried out at 973-1173 K for 10-60 s under an Ar gas flow. Figure2 show SWNTs synthesize from Zeolite supporting Co. The SWNTs have diameter of ~0.75 nm corresponding size of the micropore.

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Fig.1 TEM image of zeolites supporting Rh (a) and surface-treated the zeolites (b)



Fig.2 TEM image of SWNTs synthesize from zeolite supporting Co

## Quantum response of carbon nanotube quantum dots to teraherz (THz) wave

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Single-wall carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) are attractive building blocks for quantum-dot based nanodevices<sup>1)</sup> because they have a very small diameter and an enough length to access with conventional electron beam lithography. Single quantum dots (QDs) are easily formed by depositing electrical contacts on top of an individual SWNT, and a whole SWNT in between the contacts behaves as a single quantum dot with a one-dimensional hard-wall potential. Important energy scales, associated with the QD, the single electron charging energy and the level spacing of confined states lie in a range from submillimeter to teraherz (THz) frequency, which is more than an order larger than those of conventional semiconductor QDs made with the electron beam lithography technique. These unique features have made us to expect a quantum response of the SWNT QD to the THz wave, a photon assisted tunneling. This may open up a new possibility for the ultra-sensitive THz detector.

Experiments were carried out by measuring low-temperature single electron transport under the irradiation of the THz wave to the SWNT QD, with changing THz frequency and power. Results with the 2.5THz irradiation at 1.5K is shown in the figure<sup>2)</sup>. Without the THz irradiation, typical Coulomb oscillations are observed with an alternate peak-to-peak distance, the even-odd effect. When the sample is irradiated, a complicated curve is observed with many features. Here, we focus on the new side peaks that do not appear when the sample is not irradiated. From the detailed analysis of the dot parameters, we conclude that the side peaks originate from the THz photon assisted tunneling (PAT) that occurs for an electron in a dot to tunnel out in the drain

electrode. A frequency dependence is studied, and it was found that the distance between the main peak and the side peak varied linearly as the frequency was increased. A power dependence was also studied, and a indication of the Bessel-type behavior was observed<sup>3</sup>. These observations confirm the THz wave was detected as a photon, not as a wave.



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## Dispersion of Single-Wall Carbon Nanotubes by Thermostable Chitinases

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Besides applications of carbon nanotube (CNT) to electronics, medical applications attract a great deal of attention. When CNT is used as drug or drug carrier, CNTs modified by proteins which specifically bind the target molecules will be very useful. Although there were few reports that protein dispersed CNTs [1, 2], it was known that lysozyme disperse CNTs very well. Here we report a novel protein which can disperse CNTs. The protein is chitinase which degrades insoluble polysaccharides as well as lysozyme. In this study, we chose a chitinase from a hyperthermophilic microorganism which can grow even at 100°C, since the protein is very stable and suitable for applications. The chitinase (ChiA) has a unique domain structure comprising two catalytic domains (CD1 and CD2) and three chitin-binding domains (ChBD1~3) (Fig. 1). Various deletion mutants of ChiA (ChiA $\Delta 2\sim$ 5, Fig. 1) were produced by conventional genetic engineering methods using *Escherichia coli* cells and then purified. The purified proteins and HiPco-CNT were used for CNT dispersion experiment. Among these mutants, ChiA $\Delta 2$  composed of ChBD2, ChBD3 and CD2 showed the highest dispersibility of CNTs, suggesting that ChBD2 and/or ChBD3 play an important role in the dispersion. The details will be discussed at the presentation.

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Fig. 1 Structural features of thermostable chitinase and its deletion mutants and their abilities of CNT dispersion.

## Carbon nanotube single electron transistors on a GaAs/AlGaAs 2-dimensional electron gas wafer

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Carbon nanotubes are attractive material for building blocks of nanodevices because of their extremely small diameter. So far, various nanodevices, such as single electron transistors (SETs) and field effect transistors (FETs), have been fabricated, and their basic operation has been demonstrated. When electronic systems with carbon-nanotube based nanodevices are considered, they may be combined with conventional semiconductor transistors. For example, essential parts of a circuit would be made of carbon nanotube, while interface parts to output would be consisting of conventional Si transistors. To explore the possibility of combining carbon nanotube nanodevices with conventional semiconductor devices, in this report, we fabricate SETs with single-wall carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) on a GaAs/AlGaAs wafer that contains the 2-dimensional electron gas (2DEG), widely used for the high electron mobility transistors (HEMTs).

SWNTs were dispersed on the 2DEG wafer from solution, and electrical contacts were fabricated to an individual SWNT<sup>1</sup>. The surface gate and quantum point contact (QPC) were fabricated on the wafer (Fig). The transport measurements of the SWNT-SET were carried out at liquid helium temperatures, by changing either a potential of the 2DEG or the surface gate voltage.

We have succeeded in observing Coulomb oscillations as a function of the voltage on the 2DEG. The appearance of the oscillations were switched on and off by controlling the voltage on the QPC that depleted electrons underneath it. In this case,

the role of the QPC is to electrically separate the 2DEG under the SWNT-SET and the 2DEG where the voltage is applied. The effect could be useful for coupled quantum-dot systems where a controlled coupling among dots may be needed.

We also measured Coulomb oscillations as a function of the surface gate, and have made clear the mechanism of the surface gating in association with the 2DEG.





Figure: Schematic picture of the sample structure

## Inhibitory Effect of Carboxymethylcellulose Wrapping on the Oxidation of Single-walled Carbon Nanotubes Induced by Acidification

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A numerous of studies have been made with regard to extensive fundamentals and application of single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) because of high performance and multifunctional nanomaterials with unique and promising characteristics. For a basal aspect, the optical properties of dispersed SWNTs with some dispersants, such as sodium dodecylsulufate (SDS) and DNA, etc., in aqueous solutions have been well known to be significantly affected by acidification, depending on the chiralities of SWNTs.<sup>1,2)</sup> In particular, the acidification is observed to give rise to the diminution of the S<sub>11</sub> transition of the semiconducting SWNTs in the NIR wavelength range (1000-1600 nm). This behavior is interpreted in terms of the change in the electric transitions due to nanotube oxidation or hole-delocalization involving dissolved oxygen. However, definite information on the roles of dispersants in the pH effects has been not yet obtained. On the other hand, for an interesting biological application of SWNTs, N. W. S. Kam et al.<sup>3)</sup> proposed the utility of the NIR optical feature of SWNTs as multifunctional transporters for photodynamic therapy. Correlatively, the investigation of the pH effect is significantly involved in further development of biomaterials with SWNTs. The objective of this study is to probe the pH effect on the physicochemical characteristics of the dispersed SWNTs over a wide range of pH 1-14, using SDS and carboxymethylcellose (CMC) as dispersants with alternately different adsorption structures.

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## Manipulation and Observation of Carbon Nanotubes in Microfluidic Chip Under Optical Microscope

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Abstract: We demonstrate a visualization system of carbon nanotubes (CNTs) in water under the optical microscope using quenching phenomenon. Quenching phenomenon cause a decrease of fluorescent intensity around CNTs. With this method, we can observe CNTs continuously for a long time by supplying proper amount of fluorescent reagent. To get clear image of CNTs, we have to adjust the density of fluorescent reagent around CNTs precisely, however, it is extremely difficult to control proper condition of the reagent. Therefore, we propose a novel on-demand supplying system of fluorescent reagent in a microfluidic chip. CNTs are trapped around ITO (Indium Tin Oxide) electrodes by dielectrophoretic force. We have found that a porous structured PDMS support can adsorb fluorescent reagent as a carrier and supply reagent in high density and almost constantly for a long time. Moreover, we have mixed a couple of fluids in the chip using a micro-stirrer. With this method, we can mix different fluids uniformly and succeeded in controlling density of fluorescent reagent. Finally, we fixed CNTs around ITO electrodes by dielecteophpreric force, and observed CNTs in the solution on real time under the optical microscope. The fluorescent image of the CNTs was clearer than the bright-field image of them.



Fig. 3 (a) Bright-field image (b) fluorescent image. CNTs are attached around ITO electrodes by dielectrophoresis.

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Recently, double-walled carbon nanotubes (DWNTs) have attracted a great deal of attention in their specific optical properties and possible technological applications in various fields of science because of the possession of advantageous features of both single- (SWNTs) and multi-walled carbon nanotubes (MWNTs), such as electric and thermal stabilities. However, the procedures of the isolation and purification of DWNTs has been not yet established, and thus, a definite information on the physicochemical characteristics of DWNTs has been not almost obtained. This study is concerned with the development of effective purification methods for DWNTs without few damage, and then, with the investigation of the physicochemical properties. We have proposed three kinds of treatment methods for the purification, that is, chemical oxidation, centrifugation, and heat treatment.

DWNTs from Carbon Nanotechnologies Inc. were used without further purification. The chemical oxidation was made for the DWNTs with 3:1 concentrated H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>/HNO<sub>3</sub> mixtures (96 % and 69 $\sim$ 70 %, respectively) under the sonication in a bath-type sonicator at 50  $^{\circ}$ C for appropriate time, giving rise to the carboxylation for the DWNTs. The centrifugation treatment was made for the dispersed DWNTs with carboxymethylcellulose (CMC) as a dispersant, adjusting an adequate condition of centrifugal forces and times for the separations of SWNTs and MWNTs. The heat treatment in air for 0.5h was made for the DWNTs annealing at several temperature in the range of 300-600 °C with electric muffle furnace. The samples were characterized by various spectroscopic techniques such as FT-IR, UV-vis near-infrared (NIR) absorption, photoluminescence (PL), resonance Raman spectroscopy, and transmission electron microscopy (TEM). The purity was evaluated by the TEM observations and quality parameters (= 1 - D/G) determined from Raman measurements. We have obtained the results from TEM observations and Raman measurements that centrifugation procedures promoted the purity of DWNTs. The detailed results including those for the other treatment procedures will be presented and discussed in the symposium. At present, further studies of the physicochemical properties of the DWNTs are under the progress with structural characterization techniques such as AFM, DLS, and  $\zeta$ -potential measurements.

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# Effects of the neutral Ar beam irradiation to the random-network single-walled carbon nanotube field effect transistors

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Single-walled carbon nanotube field effect transistors (SWNT-FETs) have been attractive because they have the high potential in the field of electronics. There are three kinds of SWNT-FETs. One is an individual SWNT-FET, which demonstrated an extremely high mobility of 79000 cm<sup>2</sup>V<sup>-1</sup>s<sup>-1</sup> [1]. Two is a so-called multi-channel SWNT-FET [2], which consists a number of parallel SWNTs between source and drain contacts to obtain high current, promising for the application of large scale integrated (LSI) circuits. Three is a random-network SWNT-FET [3], which consists a large number of SWNTs randomly distributed between source and drain contacts. The random-network SWNT-FET has a lower mobility than the individual SWNT-FET, however, it can be easily fabricated by a solution process, so promising for the lower cost application such as flexible devices like the organic FETs. One of important common problems in their SWNT-FETs is hysteresis caused from various charge traps induced by contaminations on the SWNT [4]. In this presentation we report effects of the neutral Ar beam irradiation to the random-network SWNT-FETs. The neutral Ar beam irradiation process can reduce hysterisis and enhance the n-type character of the random-network SWNT-FETs.

The random-network SWNT-FETs were fabricated on SiO<sub>2</sub>/Si substrates by a solution process with a individually dispersed SWNT suspension using a surfactant, sodium dodecylsulfate. The suspension was sonicated and centrifuged. The oxide thickness was 200nm. The Pd source and drain contacts were fabricated on the random-network SWNTs by lift-off process and the channel length and width were 1 $\mu$ m and 3 $\mu$ m, respectively. The SWNTs outside the FET structure were burned out by oxygen plasma with the protection of the channel by resist. The neutral Ar irradiation was carried out with the low acceleration energy of 10eV.

Before the irradiation the SWNT-FET showed hysterisis of about 1.6V in gate characteristics in the range of -10V to 10V. After the irradiation the hysterisis was reduced up to about 0.6V in the same range. Furthermore, the enhancement of the n-type character was observed in the ambipolar SWNT-FET with the 10 times higher electron current than the one before the irradiation. These results suggest that the irradiation reduced contaminations on the SWNTs, such as organics like residual surfactant molecules or oxygen molecules which caused the p-type character of the SWNT-FETs.

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## Theoretical Analysis on Ion Permeation Mechanism through an Anion-Doped Carbon Nanotube

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The transport and storage of materials in confined space and nanopore have been extensively studied. In addition to the material science, biological pores, aquaporin and ion channels, have been extensively investigated. However, the dynamics of the transport of materials is still unclear.

We investigated the dynamics of ion permeation through an anion-doped carbon nanotube (ANT) by molecular dynamics simulation. The free energy, energy, and entropy profiles about ion permeation are calculated. The analysis of the free energy profile shows that there are two ions in ANT in the most stable state (S2 state). It is found that the entropy term stabilizes the S2 state. We analyzed the molecular origin of the entropy term in the S2 state in 2PT method.<sup>1</sup>

There is a high free energy barrier at the entrance of ANT, i.e., the rate-limiting step is the entering of an ion into ANT.<sup>2</sup> The present study shows that the free energy barrier mainly arises from the entropy. Therefore, the entire process of ion permeation is dominated by the entropy. We further analyzed the origin of high entropy at the entrance of ANT.

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#### **Recovery process of low-energy irradiation damage of SWNTs**

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SWNTs are damaged by low-energy (6 eV [1]-20 keV) irradiation, and the damage and recovery are reversible [2,3]. In this work, we studied the recovery process of the low-energy irradiation-induced damage by means of Raman spectroscopy.

Two SWNT samples showing almost the same Raman spectra were grown by the ethanol CVD method. Both samples were irradiated by 20 keV-electrons to a dose of  $8 \times 10^{16}$  cm<sup>-2</sup>. After the irradiation, one sample was annealed for a certain time in Ar atmosphere at 220 °C and the other at 240 °C, respectively. Raman measurements were performed after the samples were cooled down to room temperature.

Figure 1 shows D-band spectra of pristine SWNTs and of SWNTs annealed at 220 and 240 °C following the irradiation. The annealing temperature difference of 20 K caused a substantial difference in the recovery speed. The activation energy of the defect healing can be evaluated from the results.



**Fig. 1.** D-band spectra of pristine SWNTs and of SWNTs annealed at (a) 220 and (b) 240 °C following the electron irradiation. The excitation wavelength was 785 nm.

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## Synthesis of SWNTs by FH-arc method and Evaluation of SWNTs by Raman spectroscopy

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Single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) with high crystallinity have been synthesized by a hydrogen DC arc discharge with evaporation of carbon anode containing 1at% Fe catalyst in H<sub>2</sub>-Ar mixture gas (FH-arc method) [1]. It is also very clear that some impurities such as metal particles and amorphous carbon coexist in the SWNTs soot. In order to obtain high quality of SWNTs, various purification methods such as annealing, oxidation by some oxidant have been attempted. As we concentrate on obtaining the high purity SWNT sample, unexpectedly, double-walled carbon nanotube (DWNTs) have been observed in these samples. However, it is necessary to make clear that whether DWNTs have been existed in the as-grown SWNTs soots.

In this study, we have precisely examined the preparation of SWNTs by changing synthesis conditions with FH-arc method. Synthesized SWNTs were characterized by Raman spectroscopy ( $Ar^+$  laser, 514 nm) and by scanning probe microscopy (SPM). Fig. 1 shows the SPM image of purified SWNTs. Fig. 2 shows the Raman spectra of the as-grown SWNTs soot on a condition ( $Ar+H_2$ : 200Torr, dc current: 70A).



Fig. 1 SPM image of purified SWNTs

Fig. 2 Raman spectra of the as-grown SWNTs soot

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## Long-range Electron Transfer through a Single-walled Carbon Nanotube Sheet

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In mitochondria, electron transfer (ET) is the mechanism by which chemical energy is produced in the form of ATP by the use of powerful reducing reagents such as NADH.<sup>[1]</sup> Simplified ET systems can function as redox-driven biomachines and/or compact bioreactors for the production of chemicals such as industrial materials and drugs.<sup>[1]</sup> This ET reaction in biological systems is often compared to that in a conductive nanowire. A single-walled carbon nanotube (SWNT) is one of the typical nanowires with an affinity for biomolecules such as proteins.<sup>[2]</sup> Recent reports suggest that the chemical oxidation and reduction of semiconductive SWNTs were observed by photobleaching of the bandgap transition.<sup>[3]</sup> The

possibility of a SWNT-mediated ET between the reductant and the reduced material was also proposed on the basis of the redox properties of SWNTs.<sup>[3]</sup>

In this study, we have constructed an SWNT-mediated ET system (Fig. 1A) with an aim to realizing an effective bio-inspired reactor with large physical dimensions (several millimeters). Reductants supply electrons to the SWNTs that transfer and donate electrons to the acceptor molecules. Dithionite and cytochrome c (cyt c) were used as the reductant and acceptor, respectively. At this symposium, we will report on the reduction kinetics of cyt c in this system in detail by analyzing the optical absorption spectra parametrically.

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Figure 1. A: The SWNT-mediated ET showing reactions from system dithionite to ferric cyt c. The green arrows indicate the direction of the ET. The numbers indicate the elementary reactions (ERs). B: Reduction potential of the acceptor, SWNT, and the reductant used in this study. The reaction coordinate is the ET process in the system.

#### Diameter evaluation of multi-walled carbon nanotubes using SEM images

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In the multi-walled carbon nanotube (MWCNT) materials, the material properties such as electrical conductivity, thermal conductivity and strength have close relations to

the geometrical properties of the tubes. Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) [1], X-ray diffraction (XRD) analysis[2] and scanning electron microscopy (SEM) have been used to evaluate the diameters of MWCNTs. SEM is widely used among them, and it allows to evaluate the distribution of tube diameters.

Figure 1 shows a SEM image of as-received MWCNTs produced by Shenzhen Nanotech Port Co., Ltd. The tubes have various diameters both throughout the sample and within the lengths of individual tubes. Because the tubes were not dispersed, it was difficult to evaluate the tube diameter by rule.

In this study, we have tried to evaluate the tube diameters from the SEM images of individually dispersed MWCNTs on a substrate. One of the SEM images is shown in Fig.2. Tubes having various diameters and lengths are observed.

We measured tube diameters at regular intervals of 0.5 microns along each tube length. Figure 3 shows the distribution of measured diameters. An average diameter and a standard deviation have been calculated to be 31nm and 11nm <sup>25</sup> respectively.

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Fig.1 SEM image of as-received MWCNTs



Fig.2 SEM image of dispersed MWCNTs on a substrate



Fig.3 Diameter distribution of MWCNTs

## Saturation of Photoluminescence from Carbon Nanotubes at High Laser Intensities: Exciton-Exciton Annihilation near the Mott Density

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Nonlinear photoluminescence excitation (PLE) spectroscopy of individualized carbon nanotube ensembles has been carried out using wavelength-tunable femtosecond optical pulses. All the PL features we examined were seen to saturate at high laser fluence irrespective of the excitation wavelength. As the fluence was increased from the linear to the saturation regime, we found that excitation resonances at E22 energies gradually broadened and eventually became completely flat, where the PL intensity became independent of the excitation wavelength (Fig. 1).

Through absorption spectroscopy at high laser intensities, we demonstrated that *state-filling or strong scattering is not the cause of the observed flattening of the excitation spectra*. We developed a model to explain these observations by carefully taking into account the spatial overlap of excitons in the exciton-exciton annihilation process. The developed model shows an excellent agreement with the observed saturation behavior as shown by Fig. 2 up to near the Mott density, where the average inter-exciton distance approaches the Bohr radius. *Based on the saturation curve analysis, we estimated for the first time the density of excitons in carbon nanotubes* for the nonlinear regime extended up to near the Mott density.





Fig. 2. Dependence of the PL peak area of (6,5) tubes on the laser fluence at various excitation wavelengths. Solid lines are the behaviors fitted by the developed model.

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## Growth and characteristics of <sup>13</sup>C enriched carbon nanotubes

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Carbon nanotubes (CNTs) have been attracting considerable attentions as a building block of nanoscale devices. One of the most intriguing features of CNTs is their small size beyond a limit of conventional lithography techniques, which makes it possible to realize various small single-electron devices. CNTs are usually consists of <sup>12</sup>C atoms which have no nuclear spins. To investigate the effect of nuclear spins on transport properties of CNT quantum dots, we grew <sup>13</sup>C-enriched CNTs (<sup>13</sup>CNTs) and made Raman, NMR, and electronic transport measurement to characterize the <sup>13</sup>CNTs.

<sup>13</sup>CNT was grown by the alcohol catalytic chemical vapor deposition (CVD) technique using cobalt as catalyst. We use commercial ethanol with natural abundance of <sup>13</sup>C (1.1 %), 1,2-<sup>13</sup>C<sub>2</sub> ethanol (99 %) and three kinds of their blends with different <sup>13</sup>C contents (24 %, 48 % and 74 %) as carbon sources for CVD growth. From the Raman spectroscopy in the radial breathing mode region, these <sup>13</sup>CNT samples are confirmed to be singles walled and the diameter is in range of 0.7 nm ~ 1.9 nm.

Figure 1 shows the Raman spectra from five different samples in the wave number range of the G-band and D-band peaks at room temperature. It is obvious that the peak positions of the both G- and D-band shift downwards with increasing <sup>13</sup>C content in <sup>13</sup>CNTs. The peak positions show a good agreement with the calculated Raman shift using the formula in Ref. 1 suggesting that the <sup>13</sup>C content of <sup>13</sup>CNT can be controlled by the <sup>13</sup>C content of the ethanol.

The spin-lattice relaxation time  $T_1$  and the spin-spin relaxation time  $T_2$  are evaluated from magic angle spinning <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy. For <sup>13</sup>CNT(48 %), we obtain  $T_{1\text{fast}} = 626 \,\mu\text{s}$ ,  $T_{1\text{slow}} = 3.8 \,\text{ms}$  and  $T_2 = 616 \,\mu\text{s}$ . Resently, we have succeeded to observe the quantum

Resently, we have succeeded to observe the quantum dot features of <sup>13</sup>CNT (99 %) at low temperatures. Detailed studies of the effect of <sup>13</sup>C nuclear spins on the transport properties of CNT quantum dots are now in progress.



Figure 1 Raman spectra for five kinds of <sup>13</sup>CNTs.

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## Polarized Raman Spectroscopy of Vertically Aligned Single-walled Carbon Nanotubes

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Recently, we have prepared up to 30  $\mu$ m thick vertically aligned single-walled carbon nanotube (VA-SWNT) films with high purity by the alcohol catalytic CVD method [1]. Previous polarized Raman spectroscopy studies [2] showed that the peak around 180 cm<sup>-1</sup> is very strong at 488 nm excitation for incident light polarized perpendicular to the tube growth direction, but diminishes for parallel polarization. Recent high-resolution Raman measurements revealed that this strong peak is composed of four separate sharp peaks and disappear when the VA-SWNT film is dispersed. Additionally, we found that the films are comprised primarily of small bundles, typically fewer than ten SWNTs [3], which inspired us to investigate the origin of the 180 cm<sup>-1</sup> peak.

Polarized Raman experiments were carried out with two configurations, where the orientation of the polarizer for inspecting the scattered light is parallel (VV) or perpendicular (VH) to the incident light polarization. By changing the angle of the incident light with respect to the VA-SWNT growth direction, two different polarization dependences were found for the RBM peaks (Fig. 1). The peaks at 160 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 203 cm<sup>-1</sup> bahave consistently with the "antenna effect", where optical spectra are dominated by absorption/emission of light polarized parallel to the tube axis. However, peaks at 145 cm<sup>-1</sup>, 181 cm<sup>-1</sup>, 244 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 256 cm<sup>-1</sup> exhibit the opposite behavior in the VV configuration (Fig. 2), which may due to the cross polarized excitation/emission process or the presence of isolated tubes within the array.

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Fig. 1. Raman spectra of a VA-SWNT film in the VV configuration, and changing the incident polarization from  $0^{\circ}$  (along alignment direction) to  $90^{\circ}$  (perpendicular to the alignment direction).



**Fig. 2.** RBM Peak intensity changes for incident light polarization from  $0^{\circ}$  to  $90^{\circ}$  with respect to the VA-SWNT growth direction (VV configuration).

#### Molecular dynamics of phonon relaxation of an SWNT

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SWNT is expected to have large thermal conductivity, therefore suggested for thermal devices. This has motivated extensive researches on thermal conductivity of SWNT using both experimental and numerical methods [1,2].

Generally, heat conduction of an SWNT strongly depends on the transport of acoustic phonons: LA, TA and TW. The aim of this research is to estimate the contribution of each acoustic phonon mode to heat conduction. The contribution of each acoustic phonon mode to heat conduction was quantified by exciting the mode and then monitoring the phonon relaxation process. The energy of a phonon mode is extracted by calculating the phonon energy spectra. Figures 1-2 demonstrate the case when a LA phonon mode is excited. Here, the spectra are calculated by taking two-dimensional Fourier transfer of atom velocity in the axial direction of SWNT. The dependence (b) t=0.21 ns. of the relaxation on the phonon branch, wave number, temperature of SWNT, kinetic energy of excited phonon and tube length will be discussed.

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Fig.1 Excited phonon energy spectrum  $E_k$  (f,  $k^*$ ) of an SWNT at (a) t=0.0 and (b) t=0.21 ns.



Fig. 2 Relaxation of excited LA phonon. The fitting line is denoted in solid.

## Surface Potential Investigations of Ballistic Conduction in SWNTs by Atomic Force Microscopy

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A single wall carbon nanotube (SWNT) is known as an ideal one-dimensional quantum wire. In fact the ballistic transmission has been observed when its channel length is less than 300 nm<sup>1)</sup>. Since the transmission characteristics of the SWNT are strongly dominated by the electronic states at the interface between the SWNTs and the metal electrodes, sufficient understanding of these states of the SWNT is essentially important for quantum device applications. We have mapped surface potentials (SPs) on SWNTs by Kelvin probe force microscopy using the frequency-modulation detection method (FM-KFM), which is a powerful technique for investigating SP on a nanometer scale, as well as by AFM potentiometry (AFMP), which is a complementary method to measure the SP with a high-impedance voltmeter connected to an AFM tip. We have developed a new AFMP technique called "point-by-point AFMP" to improve the measurement accuracy<sup>2)</sup>. The AFMP measures the Fermi level at a place where the AFM tip is in contact while the KFM measures the contact potential difference between the AFM tip and sample by detecting the electrostatic force originating from the difference in their local work functions.

In this study the SPs of the SWNTs with applied bias voltages were investigated by both FM-KFM and point-by-point AFMP. We first fabricated nanogap electrodes on a highly doped Si substrate with a silicon oxide layer using the electron-beam (EB) lithography. The gap distance was less than 300 nm. Then, we deposited SWNTs between the nanogap electrodes by using the dielectrophresis method. We compared the SP images obtained by FM-KFM with those obtained by point-by-point AFMP. We successfully observed a potential plateau region in the SP profile, which corresponds to the ballistic conduction in the SWNT channel.

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## Raman Scattering Studies on Nanopeapod-Derived Double-Walled Carbon Nanotubes: Comparisons with Photoluminescence Spectra

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Double-walled carbon nanotubes (DWCNTs) have been expected for nanocomposites, field emission sources, nanotube bi-cables and electronic devices because of their superior mechanical properties, thermal conductivity and structural stability [1]. Optical application of DWCNTs is also attractive because the inner core tube is protected from environment and its optical properties are preserved.

We have previously reported that photoluminescence (PL) of nanopeapod-derived DWCNTs presumably depend on the interlayer spacing between the outer and the inner tubes [2, 3]. Namely, PL quenching occurs in DWCNTs having smaller interlayer distance and the PL signals of the inner tubes are observable from DWCNTs having lager interlayer distance. However, the detailed mechanisms of the PL quenching are still controversial. We here carry out resonance Raman (RR) study of several nanopeapod-derived DWCNTs to quantitatively investigate the interlayer spacing dependence between the outer and the inner tubes on the PL quenching.

Using a contour plot of the Raman intensities of the radial breathing modes (RBMs) over the laser excitation wavelengths of 700-1070 nm, we found that the inner tubes of all DWCNTs studied here were mainly assigned to (6, 5) and (7, 3) tubes. It is very interesting that the diameter of the outer tubes was estimated to be 1.37–1.55 nm and 1.34–1.6 nm for DWCNTs which show faint PL signals from inner tubes, while that of DWCNTs with no PL from the inner tubes ranges 1.2–1.4 nm. These results strongly suggest that PL behaviors of DWCNTs are very sensitive to the interlayer distance between the outer and the inner tubes.

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# Behaviors of cells cultured on carbon nanotube-synthesized substrate surface

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Carbon nanotube (CNT) structures have been attracting for applications such as scaffolds for cell seeding and growth, because of their nanosize and fabrication indented surface at nanoscale. In this study, we investigated behaviors of cells cultured on CNT-synthesized substrate surfaces.

CNTs with various surface density were synthesized on a quartz substrate surface. MAGI/CCR cells were used in this study, and were seeded on the CNT-synthesized substrates, quartz substrate and tissue culture dish.

Cell morphology cultured for 5 days did not depend on the surface density of CNTs, as shown in Fig.1. Fig.2 shows the proliferations of cells on CNTs with lower surface density, which was similar to quartz substrate and tissue culture dish. On the other hand, in case of CNTs with higher surface density, the proliferation was ca. half in comparison with the lower one. These cells were detached from CNTs with higher surface density, and seeded on tissue culture dish. The detached cells proliferated well.



Fig. 1 (a) Cell morphology cultured on CNT-synthesized substrates ((a) lower and (b) higher densities).

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Fig. 2 Proliferation of cells cultured on various substrates.

## Synthesis of Carbon Nanotube Particles from Used SiC Powder by SiC Surface Decomposition Method

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The SiC surface decomposition method is one of the synthesizing methods of CNT. We have previously reported that this method gives the well-aligned and high-density CNTs on the SiC single crystal substrates[1]. However, SiC single crystals are rather expensive, and the synthesis of CNTs from cheaper SiC materials is desirable for encouraging the application of CNTs

Now, a large amount of SiC abrasives powder is discharged from the Si wafer manufacturing industry. However, most of such used SiC powder are discharged and reclaimed, since the used SiC powder cannot reused as abrasives, because used SiC particles mostly become affable by repeat use. To realize the recycling of the used SiC powder, we attempted to synthesize CNT particles from the used SiC powder, which was much cheaper than pure SiC powder, in this study.

After the used SiC powder was rinsed by 5M HCl for removal of metal impurity, the powder was heated to 1900°C in vacuum. As results from TEM observation, it was revealed that dense CNTs layer could be synthesized on the used SiC particles, like the case of pure SiC particles. This indicates that not only the cost for synthesizing CNT particles but also the disposal amount of the used SiC powder can be reduced.

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Carbon nanowalls as a negative electrode in lithium-ion secondary battery

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Recently two-dimensional carbon nanostructures called carbon nanowalls (CNWs) have been fabricated at 700 °C by plasma-enhanced chemical vapor deposition. By means of Raman spectroscopy [1], transmission electron microscopy [2], and photoelectron spectroscopy [3], it was clarified that the CNWs are composed of small crystallites with a high degree of graphitization. Such structural feature can provide us for various applications such as electrodes, electric field emitters, hydrogen storages, etc.

The lithium-ion battery, that is one of the potential applications, has attracted much attention for electric vehicles. In commercial lithium-ion batteries, graphite is generally used as the negative electrodes. The high diffusivity of lithium ions in the active materials is one of important factors for the good performance. A practical way of enhancing the diffusivity of lithium ions is to decrease the particle size of the active materials. It is expected that CNWs composed of small crystallite with a high degree of graphitization is one of promising materials for electrodes in lithium-ion batteries.

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#### Synthesis of Thin Graphite by Exfoliation Technique

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The discovery of fullerene and carbon nanotubes has raised interest in carbon-based material. Graphene is a form of graphite with only a single layer of carbon atoms. It is stable under ambient conditions and has been known for its peculiar electronic dispersion with massless two-dimensional Dirac fermions. Graphene is a new model system in condensed matter physics and is interesting subject to study in experimental and theoretical points. Recently, Novoselov et al. reported the observation of the electric field effect in few-layer graphene[1]. It has attracted further interest as new electronic device.

Several techniques have been reported for graphene preparation. However, the established techniques give rise to the variation of sample thickness and it is difficult to produce graphene in large quantities.

We adopted exfoliation technique for thin graphite preparation in order to improve homogeneity and thinness of the product. Our processes consist of the intercalation of the graphite by using various acids or halogen and the successive exfoliation by heat treatment. HOPG (highly oriented pyrolytic graphite) and natural graphite were used for starting graphite.

The photograph of the exfoliated graphite is shown in Fig.1. The x-ray diffraction profile and the magnetic susceptibility for the exfoliated graphite and the intercalation compounds synthesized from this exfoliated graphite will be presented at the meeting.



Fig. 1. The photograph of exfoliated graphite.

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#### **Flattened Carbon Nanocoil** and application to field emitter

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Helical carbon nanofiber (HCNF) is fibrilliform carbon nanofiber with helical shape. There are two kind of the HCNFs, carbon nanocoil (CNC) with the inside diameter and carbon nanotwist (CNTw) without the inside diameter. The mass production of HCNF was achieved with automatic-substrate-type CVD system [1]. These HCNFs are synthesized by Catalyst-CVD process, However these HCNF contains the catalyst. It is necessary to remove the catalyst by the acid treatment. In this work, the acid treatment was done by using the hydrogen peroxide solution according to the following procedures. 1) Powder of HCNF and hydrogen peroxide solution are put in the beaker. 2) The beaker is heated up to  $100^{\circ}$ C by a hot plate. 3) HCNF is filtered with the filter and washes by the pure water. 4) It was dried in an electric furnace. Fig.1 show the SEM image of the acid treated CNC. CNC is flattened by acid treatment. In this work, the field emission characteristic of CNC is measured. As a result, the emission characteristic has improved in CNC advanced by making flatly as shown in Fig. 2.

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# *Ab-initio* study on the electronic structure of few-layer graphene films connected to a titanium electrode under an electric field

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Since the successful fabrication of ultrathin graphite films [1], theoretical studies on few-layer graphene films have been actively reported. It has been shown [2] that a two-layer graphene film has a band gap under an electric field, but ab-inito study on contact with an electrode under an electric field has not been despite its importance for electronics made application. In this report, we carry out such calculations of graphene films up to four layers connected to titanium layers. The energy band for the innermost graphene layer falls by about 3 eV. For three-layer graphene, the energy bands similar to those of two-layer graphene without contact appear near the Energy (eV) Fermi level. For the electric field E=0, they have a band gap unlike those without contact. For E=0.17 V/nm, the band gap disappears and for a reverse electric field (not shown in Figs.), it opens wider.

Figs. (a) Unit cell used for the calculations of three-layer graphene. White (black) spheres represent titanium (carbon) atoms. (b) Total density of states (Top) and those of each layer. (c) Energy band structures for E=0, 0.17 V/nm and (d) those of two-layer graphene without contact for comparison.

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#### Preparation of porous carbons composed of carbon nanotube and fullerene-like carbon by carbonization of Fe-containing phenol formaldehyde resin

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The aim in this study is to control the pore structures present in carbons by changing carbon nanostructure with various heat-treatment conditions after the addition of iron metal in polymeric substance.

Phenol formaldehyde resin is dissolved in methanol to finely disperse ferrocene(Fe), stirred continuously until the resin becomes dry and then is cured at  $80^{\circ}$ C for 10 days. The resulting resin blocks, containing 0.6 mmol of Fe, are carbonized under argon atmosphere at the final temperature of 1000°C for 1h to obtain Fe-containing carbons. In this study, the reins are heat-treated by two methods; one is called as method (i) and the other as method (ii). In the former method, the resins are heat-treated up to 1000°C by different heating rates ranging from 5 to 60000°C /min and held at this maximum for 1h. The latter case is focused on the temperatures of pre-heat treatment from 100 to 600°C prior to final heat-treatment, which is performed at 5 °C/min up to 1000°C and finally kept at this maximum for 1h.

The results of nitrogen adsorption/ desorption for the Fe-containing carbons indicates that the value of mesopore surface is constant to be about  $120m^2/g$  even if the heating rates are changed by method (i); however, the heating rates affect the development of micropores. The micropore and mesopores surface areas remain constant on the carbons which are prepared, by method (ii), with the pre-heat temperatures below 500°C. However, the micropore surface area increases suddenly when the pre-heat treatment is carried out at 600°C.

The crystalline structure and nanostructure of carbon nanotubes(CNTs) on the carbons are studied by X-ray diffraction, scanning electron microscopy and transmission electron microscopy. Nanostructures, composed of fullerene-like carbons (FLCs) and cup-stacked CNTs, are recognized in this study under a simple preparation process of the carbons. The results indicate that micropores exist as space surrounded by FLCs and mesopores as that by CNTs, thus implying the importance to control the nanostructures for the preparation of porous carbons.

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#### Antimicrobial Activity of Fullerene and Its Derivatives

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In order to find the novel functionality of fullerenes in cosmetic industry, we have assessed their antioxidant activities [1]. In this study, antimicrobial activities of fullerene  $C_{60}$  and its derivatives against various bacteria and fungi were evaluated. The minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) values were measured using an agar plate dilution method according to the Clinical and Laboratory Standard Institute. The fullerene samples tested were variously modified water-soluble  $C_{60}$  (PVP/ $C_{60}$ ,  $\gamma$ -CD/ $C_{60}$  [1], and Nano- $C_{60}$  [2]) and three fullerenols such as  $C_{60}(OH)_{12}$ ,  $C_{60}(OH)_{36}$ \*8H<sub>2</sub>O, and  $C_{60}(OH)_{44}$ \*8H<sub>2</sub>O. Catechin was used as a reference material. Although pristine  $C_{60}$  showed no antimicrobial activity, fullerenols exhibited a good antimicrobial activity against *P. acnes*, *S. epidermidis*, *C. albicans*, and *M. furfur*. In particular,  $C_{60}(OH)_{44}$  exhibited a strong and versatile antimicrobial activity comparable to catechin. These results indicate that the hydroxyl groups of fullerenes are responsible for the antimicrobial activity. It is expected that  $C_{60}(OH)_{44}$  has a possible wide-ranging application in the field of the household goods as well as the cosmetic ingredients.

Strain	MIC (µg/mL)				
	C <sub>60</sub> (OH) <sub>44</sub>	C <sub>60</sub> (OH) <sub>36</sub>	C <sub>60</sub> (OH) <sub>12</sub>	$C_{60}^{a}$	(+)-Catechin
Escherichia coli	b			_	5120
Bacillus species	_	_	_		5120
Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)	2000	_	_	_	5120
Staphylococcus aureus (MSSA)	2000	_	. —	_	5120
Staphylococcus epidermidis	2000	2000		_	2560
Propionibacterium acnes	1500	_	_		2560
Candida albicans	1200	600	3300	_	
Malassezia furfur	900	1850	3750		37

Table 1. Antimicrobial activity of various fullerene derivatives

<sup>a</sup> All PVP/C<sub>60</sub>, γ-CD/C<sub>60</sub>, and Nano-C<sub>60</sub> were tested. <sup>b</sup> No antimicrobial activity (-) was observed.

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# Production of carbon clusters by collisional explosion-reaction of asteroids in space (model experiment)

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For more than 10 billion years, huge amount of carbon atoms are produced in space. Now, we want to know where and how these carbons are stored in space. It is informed that the Saturn explorer "Cassini" operated by NASA has arrived Saturn and it successfully sent astonishing IR images of surface of Titan satellite, where many huge methane seas are clearly visualized. We expect that this special satellite is reserving many kinds of carbon clusters and hydrocarbon molecules in the methane seas under dense nitrogen air. Because, many asteroids often hit the Titan's surface in the past, which caused large-scale collisional explosions of methane under nitrogen atmosphere, and many kinds of carbon clusters, hydro-carbon molecules and amino-acids were produced. Main parts of there molecules would be stored in the methane seas under low temperature and UV-shielded atmosphere. Some parts of these molecules are diffused into space.

In order to simulate this process on Titan, we have carried out the gas-gun experiment. [1] By using a 2-stage light-gas gun, we can accelerate  $3 \text{ mm}\phi$  stainless-steel ball to about 6 km/s and hit the ball to a stainless steel target without carbon contamination. We have developed a pressured target-chamber, where 1 atm of Nitrogen gas is stored and propanol target in a aluminum tank is set in front of the metal target. The accelerated ball penetrates into the target-chamber through aluminum thin window and causes the collisional explosion-reaction. [2] After the fire, produced carbon soot is carefully collected and analyzed.

From the laser-desorption time-of-flight mass spectrum (LD-TOF- MS) measurement, we can confirm many kinds of carbon clusters ( $C_{60}$ , higher fullerenes etc.) in the soot. By

extracting using toluene and the HPLC method, we could confirm extraction of small amount of  $C_{60}$  and higher fullerenes.

From this model experiment we can insist that fullerenes can be produced by the explosion-reaction under nitrogen gas, though the scale is much smaller than that on Titan. This experiment was carried out by use of the ISAS/JAXA gas gun.

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Fig. 1: A LD-TOD-MS spectrum of the sample by propanol explosion in  $N_2$  gas (+ ion mode, 50 shots averaged).

#### **Energetics and Electronic Structures of Fullerenes with Vacancies**

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Atomic imperfections in nanoscale carbon materials, such as nanotubes, fullerenes, and nanographites, are known to play crucial role to determine their stability and electronic properties near the Fermi level. The atomic defects (e.g. vacancies and interstitials) induces particular electron states of which wave functions are localized near the defects with lone pair character resulting in gap states at/near energy gap of the nanotubes.

In the present work, based on the density functional theory, we study the energetics and electronic structures of fullerene molecules with di-vacancies. We consider the fullerene molecules,  $C_n$  where n=60, 70, 80, 90, 100, 110, 120, and 130, with five-fold symmetry axis to elucidate the difference and the similarity between the fullerene and carbon nanotubes. The di-vacancies introduced on the fullerenes are found to be spontaneously repaired by forming four-, five-, seven-, and eight-member rings. Our calculations clearly show the strong site dependence of the formation energy of the vacancies. The di-vacancies introduced at the atomic sites those shared by a hexagon and a pentagon give the smallest formation energy healed by two pentagons and a heptagon. In sharp contrast, healed structures containing the four-member ring give the largest formation energy indicating the unfavorable defect structure. On the other hand, the di-vacancies introduced in the hexagons give the moderate energy. Further, the energy strongly depends on the orientation of the C-C bond that is removed. Calculated electronic structures of fullerenes with di-vacancies exhibit the correlation with the energetics.

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#### Morphological Study of C<sub>60</sub> Thin Films for Electronic Device Application

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 $C_{60}$  thin films are expected to be applicable to many organic electronic devices [1-3]. It is well known that the morphology of  $C_{60}$  films influence strongly the operational characteristics of the devices. This paper describes the result of AFM and XRD studies on the morphological and structural properties of  $C_{60}$  films deposited by different conditions.

The AFM results showed that the surface roughness and the size of crystal increased with increase in the substrate temperature for  $C_{60}$  deposition (Fig.1 (a) and (b)). However, the morphology did not depend on deposition rate within the range of 3-10 Å/sec. Post-annealing does not affect the morphology of the deposited films (Fig.1(c)). The XRD study showed that the substrate temperature does not remarkably affect the crystallinity of the deposited films. These results suggest that  $C_{60}$  should be deposited at low substrate temperature to form the reproducibly uniform films, which are most important for device application of  $C_{60}$ .



Fig.1 AFM images of 1-μm-thick C<sub>60</sub> films deposited on quartz substrates at (a) 60°C, (b) 200°C, and (c) annealed at 200°C for 2 hours after deposition at 60°C.

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#### Helium intercalated C<sub>60</sub> solid under high pressure

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High pressure and high temperature (HPHT) treatments of solid  $C_{60}$  (fcc- $C_{60}$ ), in which  $C_{60}$  molecules are bound together by weak van der Waals forces, produce a variety of polymerized  $C_{60}$  phases known as "fullerene polymers". Recently, we reported [1] that  $C_{60}$  molecules in peapods also polymerize by compression at room temperature and it has been attracting much interest [2, 3]. This work indicates that  $C_{60}$  molecules are polymerized even at room temperature. In the course of the experiment to confirm the indication we found that solid  $C_{60}$  absorb He gas under high pressure.

Fig. 1 shows the lattice constant *a* of fcc-C<sub>60</sub> under high pressure determined by the observed diffraction patterns of the two kinds of experiments (Exp-M+E and Exp-He using the alcohol mixture and He gas as pressure transmitting medium, respectively). The pressure dependence of the *a* values of Exp-M+E is in good agreement with previous reports. On the other hand, the pressure change of the lattice constant *a* derived from Exp-He is more gentle than that of Exp-M+E probably because of the penetration of He into the C<sub>60</sub> lattice.

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Fig. 1 Lattice constant a as a function of pressure. Solid circles and open squares correspond to Exp-M+E and Exp-He, respectively. Solid lines are fitting curves using Birch-Murnaghan's equation of state.

#### Electric double-layer capacitances of the $C_{60}$ dispersed porous carbons

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Electric double-layer capacitors (EDLCs) have attracted much interest as a new energy storage system. Recently, it was reported [1] that  $C_{60}$  molecules improve the EDLC property of activated carbon fibers. However, the mechanism of the improvement has not been clarified yet. In this study, in order to elucidate the mechanism we have prepared several kinds of the  $C_{60}$  dispersed porous carbons having different pore sizes and measured their EDLC capacitances.

Several kinds of mesoporous carbons have been prepared using mesoporous silicas having different pore sizes as templates.  $C_{60}$  molecules were introduced into mesoporous carbons by immersing them in the toluene solution of  $C_{60}$ . The immersed samples were dried with direct pumping to remove the adsorbed toluene. Figs. 1 and 2 show typical examples of the N<sub>2</sub> adsorption isotherms and the cyclic voltammograms of the pristine and  $C_{60}$  dispersed mesoporous carbons. It was found that the BET surface area of the mesoporous carbon decreases from 2039 to 842 m<sup>2</sup>/g by the  $C_{60}$  doping. On the contrary, it was found that the EDLC capacitance slightly increases by the doping.

We will also discuss the  $C_{60}$  doping effect for the exfoliated graphite.

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Fig. 1  $N_2$  adsorption isotherms at 77 K of (a) pristine and (b)  $C_{60}$  dispersed mesoporous carbons.

Fig. 2 Cyclic voltammograms of (a) pristine and (b)  $C_{60}$  dispersed mesoporous carbons. 1 M  $H_2SO_4$  aqueous solution was used as electrolyte. Sweep rate was set at 10 mV/s.

## Electronic transport properties of photo- and electron-beam-irradiated C<sub>60</sub>

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Since the first report on  $C_{60}$  polymerization by Rao et al.,<sup>1)</sup> there have been many kinds of  $C_{60}$  polymerization methods. However, most of them have not examined the electronic transport properties of  $C_{60}$  polymers so far.

We have hitherto investigated the electronic transport properties of the  $C_{60}$  polymers irradiated with photo- and electron-beam. In this work, the field-effect transistor (FET) properties of photo-irradiated  $C_{60}$  thin films were examined and compared with those of the electron-beam-irradiated  $C_{60}$ .

Figure 1 shows the FET characteristics for the photo-irradiated  $C_{60}$  polymers. As shown in Fig. 1, it was found that a current price fell by photo polymerization. When compared to our previous report, the current values rather increased by electron-beam-irradiation.

Figure 2 shows the SEM image of a photo-irradiated  $C_{60}$  thin film. As shown in Fig. 2, crazing took place in the film, which was not confirmed for pristine  $C_{60}$  films. This may make the current value reduced.



Fig. 1, Gate characteristics

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Fig. 2, SEM image

#### Modification of Hole-Transport Property of Fullerene Materials by Hydrogenation: A DFT Study on C<sub>60</sub>H<sub>4</sub>

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Fullerene derivatives are paid attention as one of the tendency to improve carbon materials. In our previous study [1, 2], we focused on the hydrogenation of  $C_{60}$ , which gives  $C_{60}H_2$ , and its effect on the hole-transport property. It was revealed that the hydrogenation is a novel and convenient method for modifying the hole-transport property of  $C_{60}$ .

In the present study, this method is extended to the fullerene hydrides  $C_{60}H_4$ . On the basis of Marcus theory, reorganization energy ( $\lambda$ ) and hole-transfer rate constant ( $k_{ht}$ ) are calculated by density functional theory (B3LYP/6-311G(d)), assuming that the electronic coupling ( $H_{AB}$ ) are the same as that of  $C_{60}$ . Nine isomers are selected as shown in Fig. 1.

Isomer 1, the major product [3] of  $C_{60}H_4$ , has the largest  $k_{ht}$  which is more than 3 times as large as that of  $C_{60}$  (See Fig. 2). Thus,  $C_{60}H_4$  has an expectation of use as hole-transport material. It was also found that isomers with large  $\pi$ -conjugation tend to have large  $k_{ht}$  (See Fig. 3), so that the hydrogenation which leaves large  $\pi$ -conjugation of the original  $C_{60}$  is effective for the modification. It gives a clear guideline for the theoretical design of useful materials.

Details of the calculation and analysis [4] will be presented in the symposium.



Figure 1. Selected nine isomers. The initial two H atoms are placed at the carbon atoms represented by the filled circles, and the other two are at the carbons atoms labeled 1-9.



Figure 2. Relative energies and  $k_{\rm ht}$  of nine C<sub>60</sub>H<sub>4</sub> isomers. Dashed line shows  $k_{\rm ht}$  of the original C<sub>60</sub>. Filled circles show those of synthesized isomers [3].



Figure 3. HOMOs of isomers 1 and 2, and schematic illustrations of hole-transport.

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#### Fabrication of C60MC12 Films for Solution-Processed n-type Organic Thin Film Transistors

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We have reported high performance solution-processed n-type organic thin film transistors (TFTs) employing  $C_{60}$ -fused *N*-methylpyrrolidine-*meta*-C12 phenyl [C60MC12, see Fig.1 (a)] [1-2]. Generally, hydrophobic treatment on a gate insulator is effective for fabrication of a high performance organic thin-film transistor, since the surface treatment decreases electron trap sites and improves film crystallinity of an organic semiconductor on a gate insulator. However, uniform film fabrication on a hydrophobic surface is difficult compared to that on a hydrophilic surface by solution process, as a hydrophobic surface tends to shed organic solvents. In this study, we examine hydrophilic/hydrophobic patterning of the surface on an insulating layer as shown in Fig.1 (b), aiming at fabrication of uniform and high crystalline films on a hydrophobic surface.

The substrates with hydrophobic surface were prepared by hexamethyldisilazane (HMDS) treatment of highly doped silicon wafers covered with  $SiO_2$ . The local hydrophilic surface was formed by vacuum deposition of  $SiO_x$  using a shadow mask. Thin films of C60MC12 were fabricated by spin coating from a chloroform solution. Source and drain gold electrodes were deposited on the film. The TFT characteristics

were measured at room temperature. The all processes after vacuum deposition of  $SiO_x$  were carried out under an inert atmosphere.

Uniform C60MC12 films were easily formed by surrounding the hydrophobic part with a hydrophilic part. Moreover, various spin coating conditions were applied. As a result, the electron mobility and ON/OFF ratio were enhanced by waiting before spinning the substrate as shown in Table 1. The enhancement is interpreted by improvement of C60MC12 film crystallinity.



Fig.1. (a) Molecular structure of C60MC12 and (b) schematic view of the substrate

Table 1. FET characteristics of the device		
Waiting time (s)	Mobility (cm <sup>2</sup> /Vs)	ON/OFF
0	0.037	$>10^{4}$
30	0.078	>10 <sup>5</sup>
45	0.102	$>10^{5}$
60	0.085	>10 <sup>5</sup>

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We have reported that a solution-processed organic thin-film transistor (TFT) based a perfluorooctyl substituted  $C_{60}$ derivative. C60-fused on N-methylpyrrolidine-para-perfluorooctyl phenyl (C60PC8F17), shows high electron mobility of 0.07  $\text{cm}^2/\text{Vs}$  and air-stability [1]. In this study, we have newly synthesized a long-chain perfluoroalkyl-substituted derivative. C60-fused  $C_{60}$ N-methylpyrrolidine-para-perfluorododecyl phenyl (C60PC12F25), and fabricated the organic TFTs by solution process. Films of C<sub>60</sub> derivatives were fabricated on highly

doped silicon wafers covered with  $SiO_2$  by spin coating from chloroform solution under ambient condition. Source and drain gold electrodes were deposited on the films. The TFT characteristics were measured both in a vacuum and in air at room temperature.

The C60PC12F25-TFT exhibited high electron mobility of 0.24  $\text{cm}^2/\text{Vs}$  in a <sup>-</sup>



Table 1. Electron mobilities of the TFTs

	Mobility (cm <sup>2</sup> /Vs)	
	Vacuum	Air (after 24h)
PCBM	0.02	-
C60PC8F17	0.07	0.004
C60PC12F25	0.24	0.05

vacuum. After exposure to air for 24 hours the C60PC12F25-TFT showed good *n*-channel characteristics, whereas the TFTs employing  $C_{60}$  derivatives with a hydrocarbon chain did not operate under the same condition. The field-effect electron mobility is calculated to be 0.05 cm<sup>2</sup>/Vs. This value is higher than that of C60PC8F17-TFT (0.004 cm<sup>2</sup>/Vs). We will discuss correlation of film structures and TFT performance using different perfluoroalkyl chain-length compounds.

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#### Effect of Free Electron Laser Irradiation on Pressed C<sub>60</sub> Powder at the Order of GPa

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The aim of our study is to synthesize the amorphous  $C_{60}$  polymer bulk by irradiating free electron laser (FEL). Characteristics of FEL were tunable wavelength (0.3~6µm) and few tens microsecond macro-pulse, which included few hundreds picosecond micro-pulse. Distinctive particles, which were  $C_{60}$  polymer demonstrated by Raman spectrum, was obtained with approximately 5µm in diameter irradiating 3rd harmonics FEL 450 or 500 nm for four hours. It was possible to enlarge the size dissolving those particles in toluene and evaporating it to be approximately 0.1 mm-order. However, the size of polymer particle was limited to a few µm in diameter just after the FEL irradiation, although the irradiation diameter was 7mm[1]. In this report, we clarified the reason of the limitation

In this experiment, we used a unique anvil, the cross sectional view of which is a saw. The C<sub>60</sub> powder around the top of the saw is expected to be pressed at the order of GPa. The C<sub>60</sub> powder (99.5%) was pressed and FEL was irradiated (fundamental energy density was  $5.5 \text{mJ/Pulse} \cdot \text{cm}^2$ ) in vacuum after annealed at 70°C

Figure 1 shows a typical Raman spectrum detected from the white line middle in the inset optical microscope (OM) image of the sample surface. The white line was the area pressed with the order of GPa. The intensity of the intrinsic Ag(2) mode at 1469 cm<sup>-1</sup> decreased extremely and the peak at 1455 cm<sup>-1</sup> appeared, indicating the polymerization. The similar

OM image, meaning white line, was obtained just after pressing C<sub>60</sub> powder without FEL irradiation. However observed peak was only intrinsic Ag(2)mode. At the other area except for white line, the Ag(2) mode was clearly observed at 1469 cm<sup>-1</sup>. These results revealed that the most important key to produce polymer by irradiating the FEL was to press it at the order of GPa. From the width of the white line, calculated pressure was 7GPa.





Figure 1. A Raman spectrum and an optical microscope image are illustrated. The 500 nm FEL was irradiated.

#### C<sub>60</sub> Crystal Growth and Free Electron Laser Irradiation Effect on Pressed C<sub>60</sub> Powder in Solution

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The aim of our study is to synthesize amorphous  $C_{60}$  bulk crystal with free electron laser (FEL) irradiation. In the last report we reported that polymerization degree of pillar  $C_{60}$  crystal made by liquid-liquid interfacial precipitation (LLIP) method with m-xylene/IPA was higher than that of  $C_{60}$  precipitate on the bottom in the supersaturated m-xylene from the result of Raman spectrum[1]. It is noted that the key for polymerization is shorter distance between  $C_{60}$  molecules in a pillar  $C_{60}$  crystal. By the way, the shape of  $C_{60}$  crystal strongly depends on solvent. In this report,  $C_{60}$ crystals were grown on substrate just by evaporating solvent, toluene, m-, o-, and p-xylene, from supersaturated solutions to obtain the shorter distance in crystal. The shorter distance was also obtained in a pressed  $C_{60}$  powder.

Glass substrate (approximately  $10 \times 10$  mm<sup>2</sup>) was just immersed in the supersaturated solution and then evaporating the solvent at 12°C. The glass bottle filled with the solution and the substrate was tilted with 60° from the so-called z-axis, normal to the ground.

Figure 1 is an optical microscope image of  $C_{60}$  crystal from the toluene supersaturated solution. The rectangular crystals with the size of mm-order were obtained. Needle-shaped grains with 10µm in diameter and 1mm in length from m-xylene supersaturated solution were obtained. Raman spectra showed that the crystal was  $C_{60}$  monomer.

The crystal growth with different solvent and by LLIP method, and the FEL irradiation will be also discussed.



Fig.1 : Optical microscope image of the solution-grown  $C_{60}$  with toluene.

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#### Magnetic Properties of superconducting sodium fulleride Na<sub>x</sub>C<sub>60</sub>

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The structure and physical properties of sodium fullerides  $Na_xC_{60}$  are very interesting because they are different from those of other alkali-doped  $C_{60}$ . Since the  $Na^+$  ion has a small ionic radius,  $Na_xC_{60}$  with large x value can be expected. Yildirim *et al.* reported the synthesis of  $Na_{9.7}C_{60}$  with a face-centered cubic (fcc) structure and suggested the Na-saturated phase to be  $Na_{11}C_{60}$  [1]. We reported structure, magnetic susceptibility and superconductivity for  $Na_xC_{60}$  at the last Symposium. Here we report physical properties of  $Na_xC_{60}$ , mainly on magnetic properties.

Sodium doped fullerides were prepared from sublimed  $C_{60}$  powder with 99.95% purity (MTR Ltd.) and Na metal. The mixture of degassed  $C_{60}$  and Na metal was encapsulated into a stainless steel tube and sealed into a Pyrex grass tube after evacuating. Thermal treatments in a furnace were carried out at 573K for 672 hours. The molar composition x of products were determined by weight uptake measurement. We succeeded in prepareing the samples with up to 11.

Figure 1 shows the applied magnetic field dependence of the molar magnetization for superconducting Na<sub>8.2</sub>C<sub>60</sub> by using SQUID magnetometer. Critical magnetic field of Na<sub>8.2</sub>C<sub>60</sub> are  $H_{c1}$ =1.6mT,  $H_{c2}$ =2.5T at 2K and  $H_{c1}$ =1.0mT,  $H_{c2}$ =1.6T at 8K. Ginzburg-Landau parameter estimates  $\kappa$  =13.

Details will be discussed at the meeting.



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# 溶液中の粒子のナノレベル微細化・分散に BRANSON 超音波リキッドプロセッサ

ホーン先端部の振幅の安定性を、より高めたAdvanceタイプになりました。

近年のナノテクノロジーの発展及び粉体関連技術の向上により微細な粒子に対する乳化分散処理の要望が増えてまい りました。超音波リキッドプロセッサを使用し、均質な乳化分散処理を行い安定させることにより製品の機能は向上 します。

弊社では20kHz機と、40kHz機の2タイプを用意しております。1次粒子の凝集力にも拠りますが20kHz機では 100nm程度までの分散力があります。40kHz機は、さらに細かいレベルで分散ができる可能性があります。



弊社の製品は、ホーン先端部の振幅の安定性が高く強力なキャビテーションが得られます。 高効率で再現性の高い分散処理が行えます。

主なアプリケーション

分散	乳化
・カーボンナノチューブ ・有機顔料 ・無機顔料 ・セラミック ・セメント ・感光体 ・記録材料 ・磁性粉 ・粉末治金 ・酸化鉄	・エマルジョン製剤 ・農薬 ・トナー ・ラテックス ・界面活性剤 ・クリーム ・乳液 ・等
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CNT:Carbon Nano Tube

CNTは炭素でできた円筒状の物質で、半導体材料・燃料電池の電極などで "驚異の新素材 " として注目を集めています。また、種々の異なった構造(単層、二層など)が存在し、構造の違いに よって性質が異なるため、詳細な研究には分離精製が欠かせません。

1996年、Robert F. Curl, Harold W. Krotoと共に「フラーレンと呼ばれる新しい立体構造を持つ化合物の合成研究」に よりノーベル化学賞を受賞した米国テキサス州ヒューストン、ライス大学の<u>Richard E. Smalley博士</u>のグループは、超 遠心機を用いた単層カーボンナノチューブの分離について報告致しました<sup>1)</sup>。

この分離を日立工機(株)製小形超遠心機CS-GXLシリーズで行うこともできます。大形の超遠心機よりも簡便で少量試料の場合には最適ですので皆様のご研究にお役立て下さい。



<sup>1)</sup>引用文献: Band Gap Fluorescence from Individual Single-Walled Carbon Nanotubes, Michael J. O'Connel I, et al., Science, vol.297,593-596 (2002).

遠心分離条件

使用ロータ: S52ST(文献と同じスイングロータ) 回転速度:52,000rpm(文献:30,000rpm) 時間:1時間30分(文献:4時間) 試料量:チューブ1本あたり約5ml 試料1%SDSを含むD<sub>2</sub>Oに懸濁させた CNT(20~25mg/l)







フラーレン混合物 (C60:70%, C70:25%, High Fullerene:5%)
 フラーレンC60

>99% >99.5% >99.98% Sublimed

3. フラーレンC70 純度

純度

>99% >99.5%

>99%

- Sublimed SWナノチューブ(20-40%) クローズドエンド
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   50~60%がオープンエンド
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C76 C78 C84>95%

C6099.9%(OH)n n=22-26 C6099.9%(OH)n n=22-26

\*Bucky Ferrocene-molecular hybrid C60 w/ Ferrocene

 $\eta^{5}-(C_{5}H_{5})_{2}Fe$ \*Bucky Cobaltocene-ionic hybrid C60 w/ Cobaltocene

 $(\eta^5 - C_5 H_5)_2 Co^2 * C60$ 

\*C60

\*Complex C60 w/ Pt:  $(h2-C60)Pt(PPh_3)_2$ \*Complex C60 w/ Fe:  $(h2-C60)Fe(Co)_4$ \*Complex C60 w/ Ni: C60  $(h3-C_5H_5)Ni(h5-C_5H_5)_2$ \*Mixture of isomers C60F36 \*20-30%C13enrichedC60=99.0%

\*Higher Order Mixed Fullerenes(C76,78,84)
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1.C60Br24
2.C60C16
3.C60Br8Br2
4.Mixtures of isomers of C60F36

### \*水溶性 Amino Acids complexes of C60

 $\label{eq:solution} \begin{array}{l} (w/Aminocapronic(A) \mbox{ and } w/Aminobutyric(B) \mbox{ acids})w/unique \mbox{ solubility in water} \\ (50mg/ml) \\ (A)C60(H)NH(CH_2)_5COO^-NA^+ \\ (B)C60(H)NH(CH_2)_3COO^-NA^+ \\ *PCBM(6,6-Phenyl-C61-Butyl \mbox{ acid-Methylester}) \end{array}$ 

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\*C60,70の純度はHPLCにより測定されています。



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銘柄		分子構造	純度(HPLC面積%、代表値)	取扱数量
<u>nanom purple</u> フラーレンC60	ST		99	10g以上
	TL	ATA	99. 5	5g以上
	SU		99.5/昇華精製品	2g以上
	SUH		99.9/昇華精製品	1g以上
<u>nanom orange</u> フラーレンC70	ST		97	1g以上
	SU		98/昇華精製品	0.5g以上
<u>nanom mix</u> フラーレン混合物	<u>ST</u>		C60:約60、C70:約25 (その他:高次フラーレン)	50g以上
nanom spectra E100 PCBM (phenyl <u>C</u> 61- <u>b</u> utyric acid <u>m</u> ethyl ester)		-2-2-C	99	1g以上
nanom spectra E200 PCBNB (phenyl <u>C</u> 61-butyric acid <u>n-b</u> utyl ester)			99	1g以上
nanom spectra E210 PCBIB (phenyl <u>C</u> 61- <u>b</u> utyric acid <u>i-b</u> utyl ester)			99	1g以上
nanom spectra E110 C70PCBM (phenyl <u>C</u> 71-butyric acid methyl ester)		主成分	99(異性体トータル) 位置異性体の混合物	0.5g以上
銘柄		分子構造	内容	取扱数量
<u>nanom spectra D100</u> 水酸化フラーレン		(n = ca.10)	C <sub>60</sub> 0H <sub>n</sub> n=10を主成分とする 混合物	2g以上
<u>nanom spectra B100</u> 酸化フラーレン		(n = 1-2 が主成分)	C <sub>60</sub> O <sub>n</sub> n=1および2を主成分 とする混合物	2g以上
<u>nanom spectra A100</u> 水素化フラーレン		(n = ca. 30)	C60H <sub>n</sub> n=30を主成分とする 混合物	2g以上
nanom spectra G100		CH C11H23	純度(HPLC面積%,代表値) 99	1g以上

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	ST	TL	SU	SUH	ST	SU
C60(HPLC面積%)	99.4	99.8	99.9	>99.9	0.3	0.1
C70(HPLC面積%)	<0.1	ND	0.1	ND	99.4	99.9
フラーレン酸化物(HPLC面積%)	0.6	0.2	ND	ND	0.3	ND
残溶媒(GCwt%)	0.8	ND	ND	ND	0.4	ND

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