

# Grapene and Graphene-based materials

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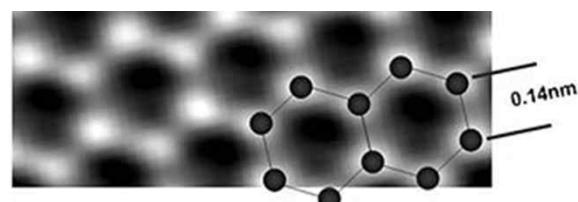
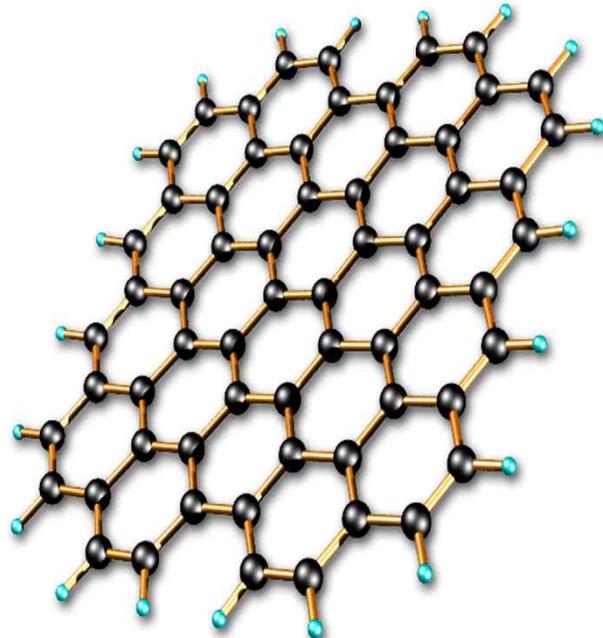
- Graphene
- Solar cell & LED applications (Examples)
- Graphene oxide
- Graphene quantum dot
- Biomedical applications (Examples)

*The name ‘graphene’ comes from graphite + -ene = graphene*

# What is graphene?

In late 2004, graphene was discovered by Andre Geim and Kostya Novoselov (Univ. of Manchester).

- 2010 Nobel Prize in Physics



Q1. How thick is it?

→ a million times thinner than paper  
(The interlayer spacing :  $0.33\sim0.36$  nm)

Q2. How strong is it?

→ stronger than diamond  
(Maximum Young's modulus :  $\sim1.3$  TPa)

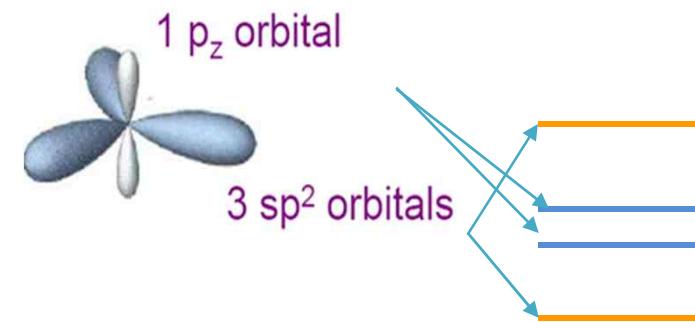
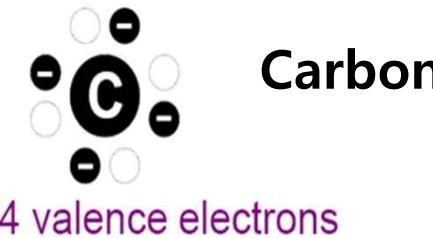
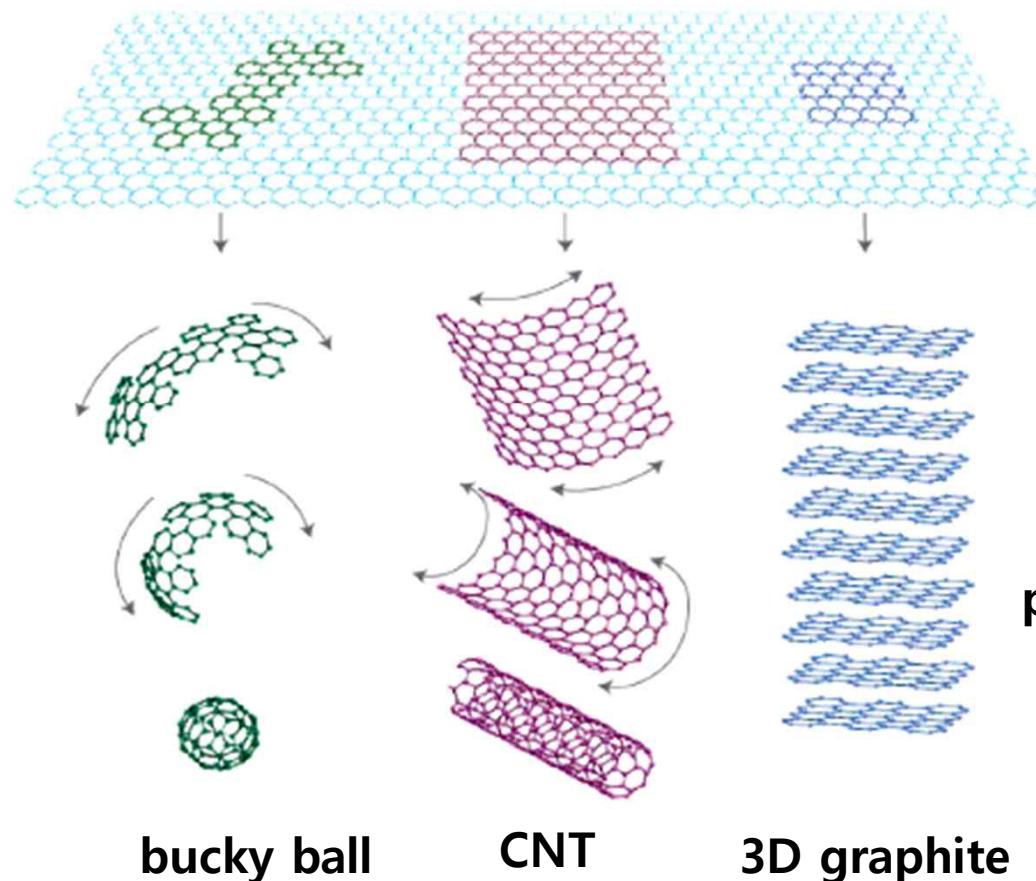
Q3. How conductive is it?

→ better than copper  
(The resistivity :  $10^{-6} \Omega\cdot\text{cm}$ )  
(Mobility:  $200,000 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$ )

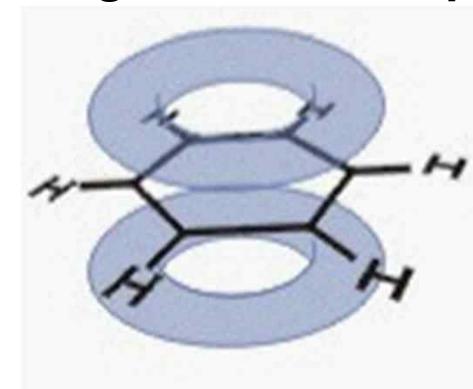
But, weak bonding between layers  
Separated by mechanical exfoliation of 3D graphite crystals.

# Molecular structure of graphene

2D graphene sheet



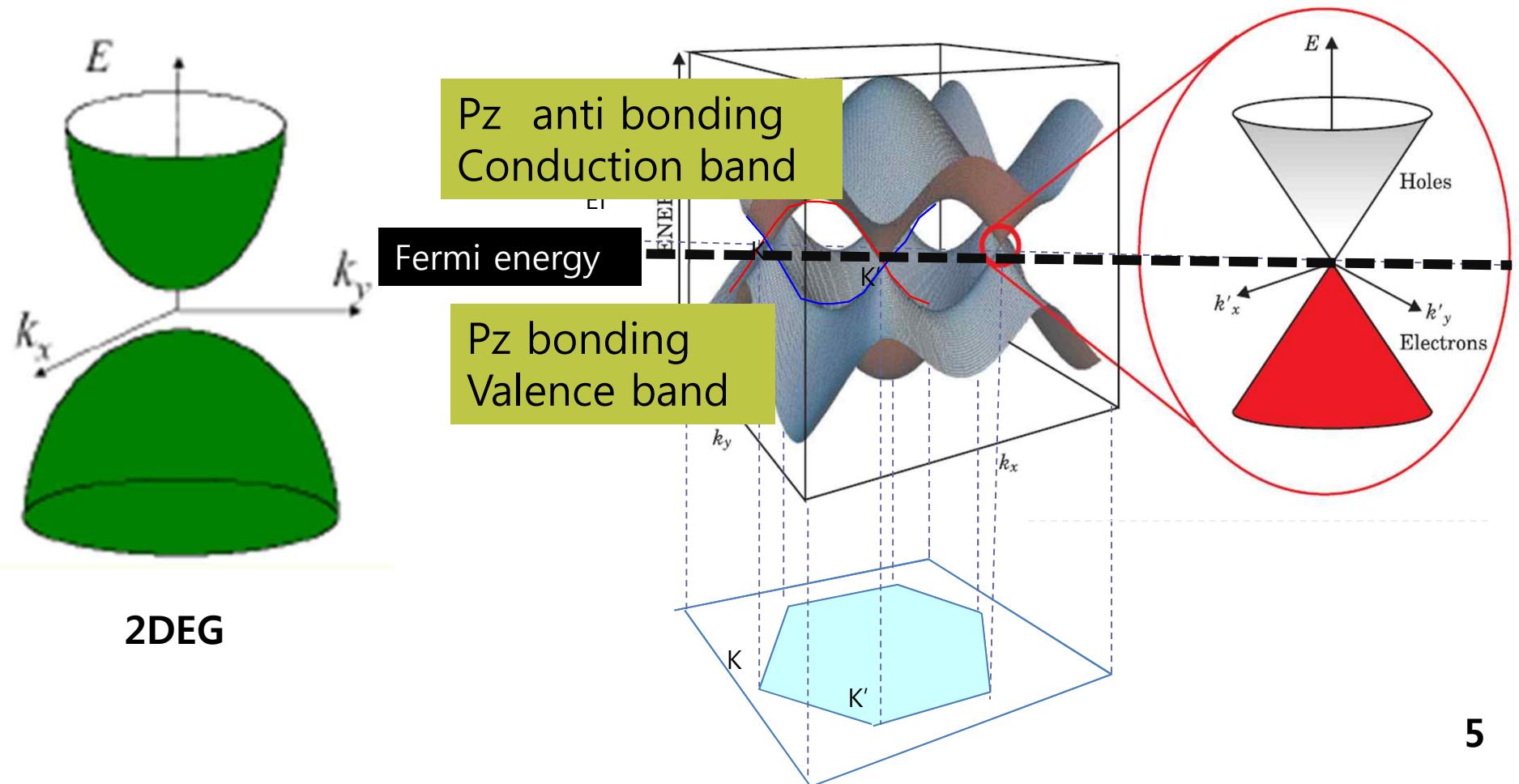
Electrons move freely across the plane through delocalized pi-orbitals



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# Electronic structure of graphene

Effective mass (related with 2<sup>nd</sup> derivative of  $E(k)$ ) → Massless  
Graphene charged particle is massless Dirac fermion.  
→ **Zero gap semiconductor or Semi-metal**



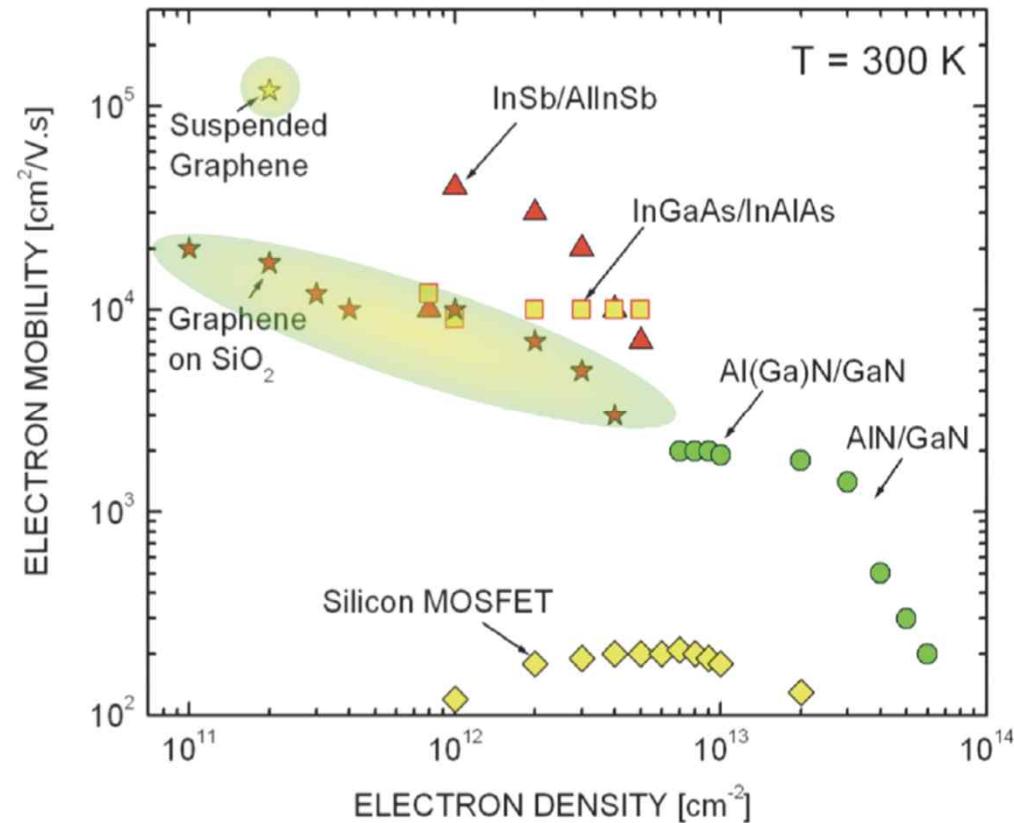
# Electrical properties of graphene

**High electron mobility** at room temperature: Electronic device.  
Si Transistor, HEMT devices are using 2D electron or hole.

$$\mu \text{ (mobility)} = v_{\text{avg}} / E$$

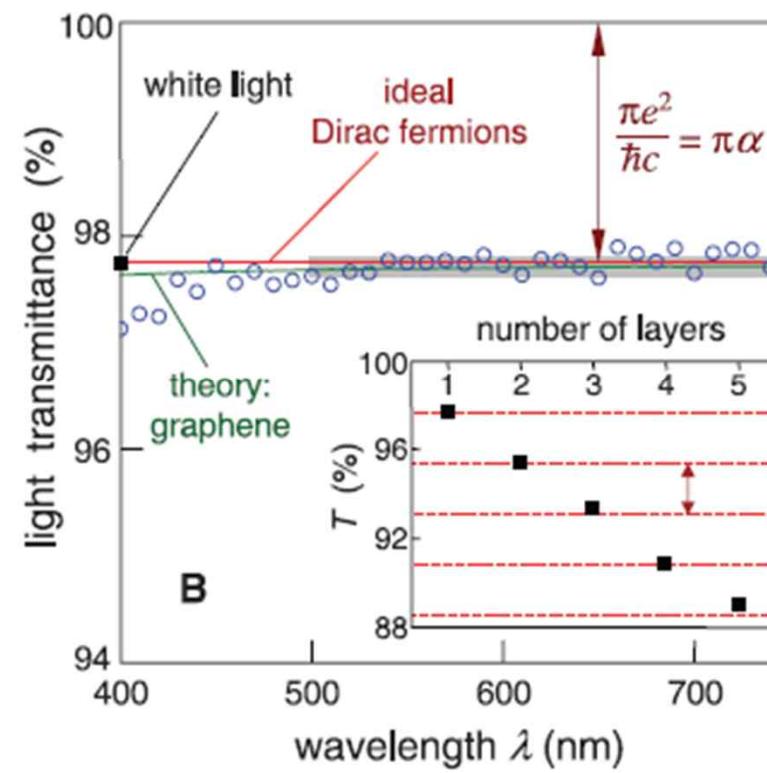
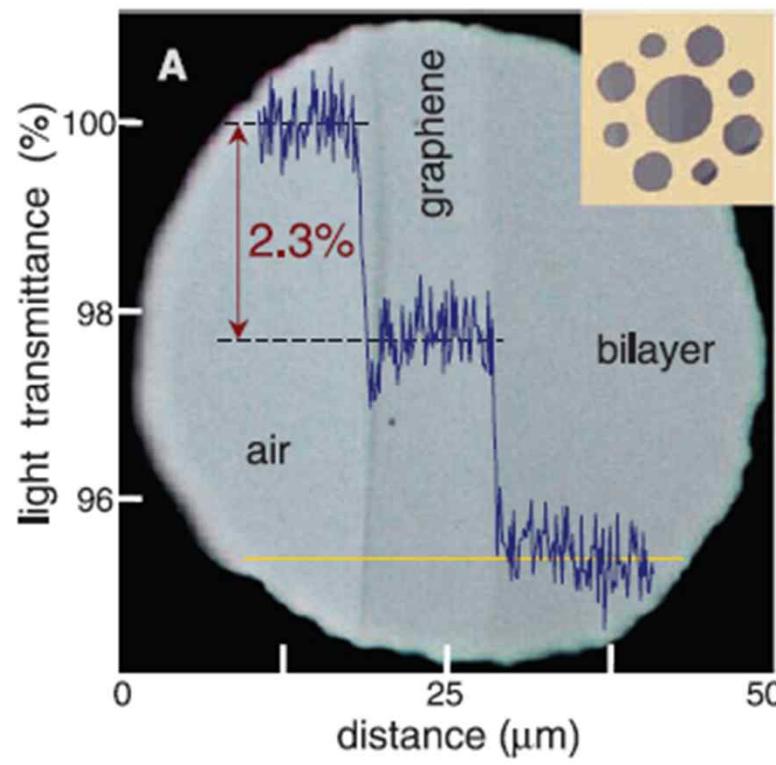
(velocity/electric field)

$$J_{\text{drift}} \sim \rho \times v_{\text{avg}}$$



# Optical properties of graphene

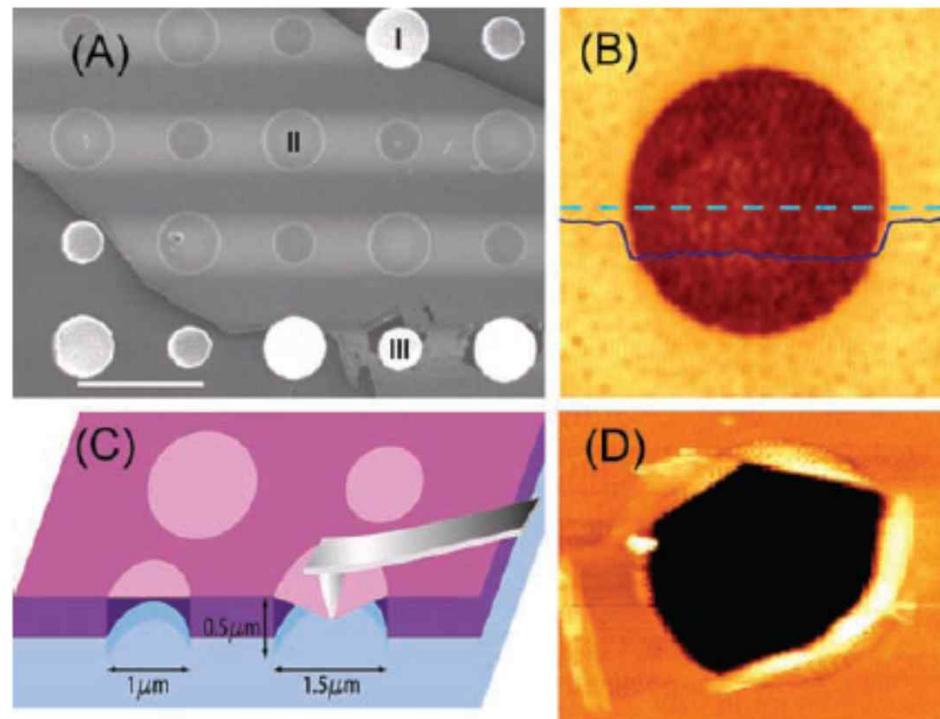
Optical transmittance control: **transparent electrode**  
Reduction of single layer: 2.3%



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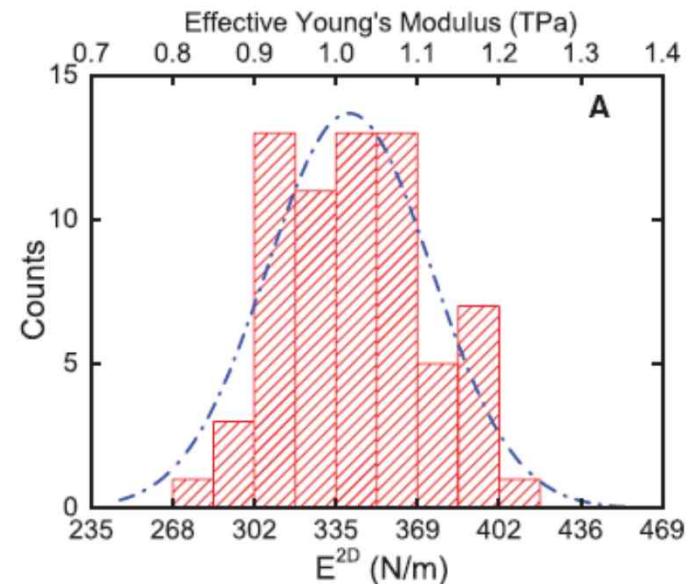
# Mechanical properties of graphene

Mechanical strength for **flexible and stretchable devices**



Force-displacement measurement

Young's modulus  
=tensile stress/tensile strain  
Diamond ~ 1200 GPa



# Syntheses of Graphene

- **Synthesis**

Preparation methods

Top-down approach  
(From graphite)

- Micromechanical exfoliation of graphite (Scotch tape or peel-off method)
- Creation of colloidal suspensions from **graphite oxide** or graphite intercalation compounds (GICs)

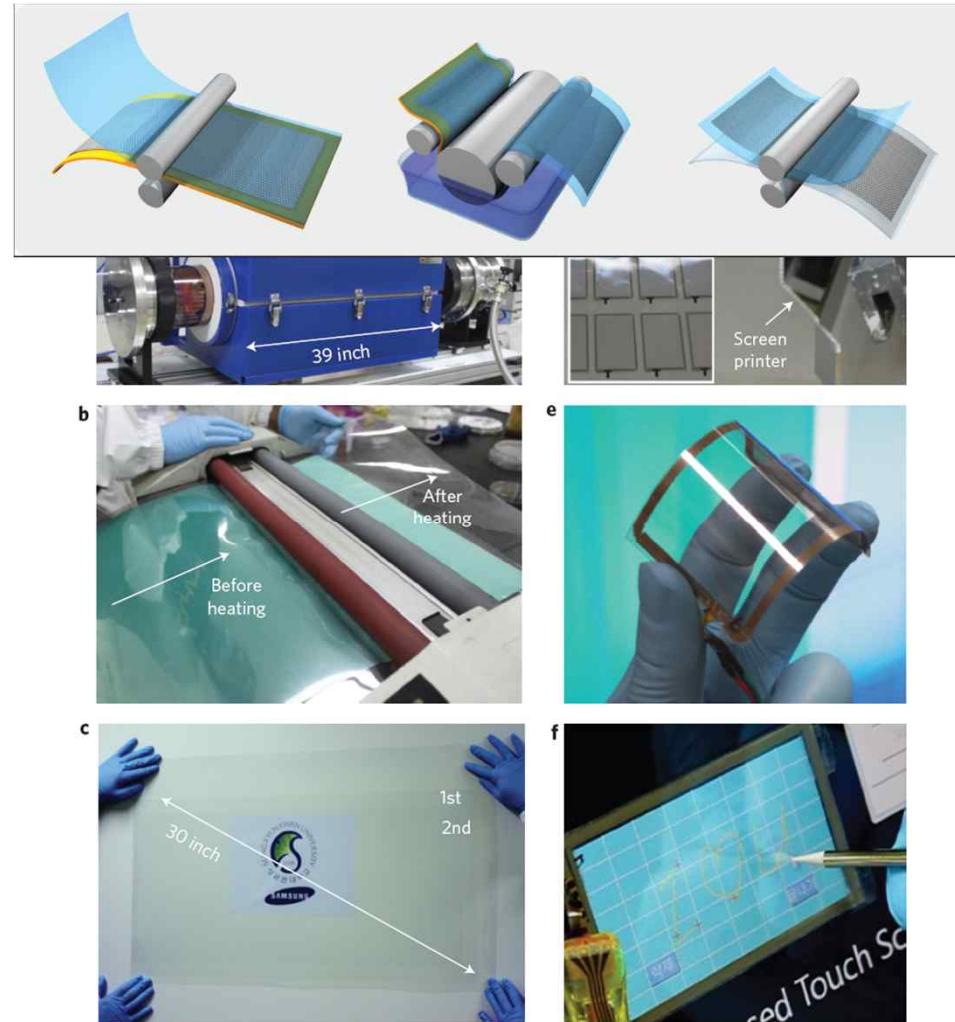
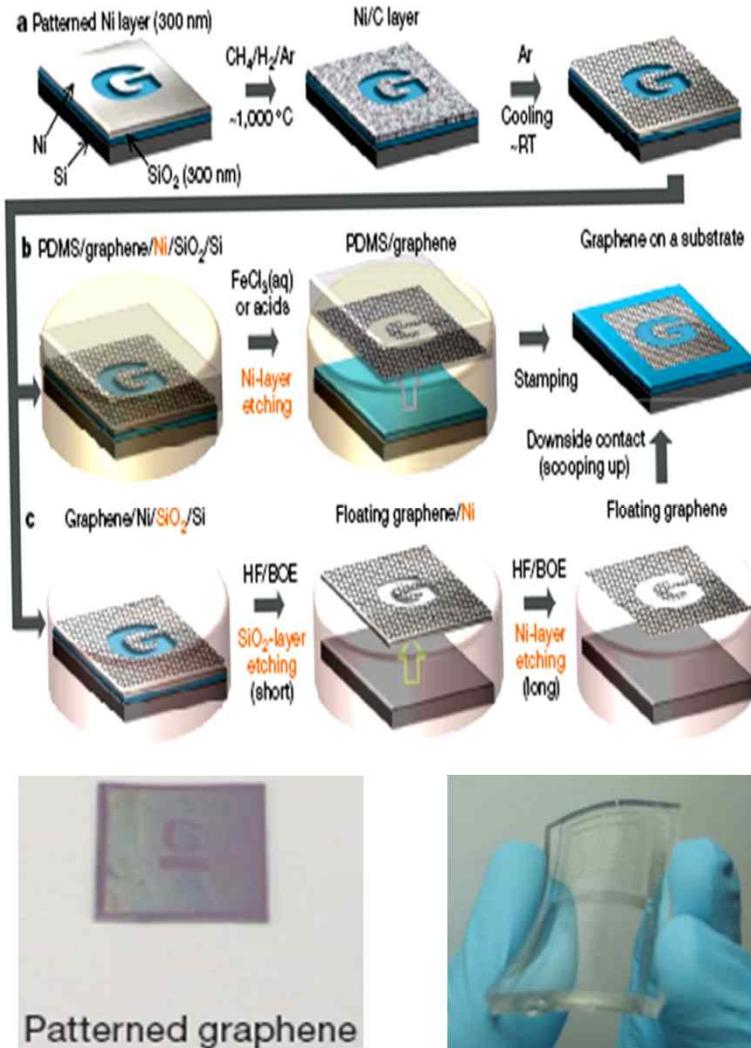
Bottom up approach  
(from carbon precursors)

- By chemical vapour deposition (CVD) of hydrocarbon
- By epitaxial growth on electrically insulating surfaces such as SiC
- Total Organic Synthesis

**Table 1 – Advantages and disadvantages for techniques currently used to produce graphene.**

|                        | Advantages   | Disadvantages  |
|------------------------|--|--|
| Mechanical exfoliation | Low-cost and easy<br>No special equipment needed,<br>$\text{SiO}_2$ thickness is tuned for better contrast | Serendipitous<br>Uneven films<br>Labor intensive (not suitable for large-scale production) |
| Epitaxial growth       | Most even films (of any method)<br>Large scale area  | Difficult control of morphology and adsorption energy<br>High-temperature process          |
| Graphene oxide         | Straightforward up-scaling<br>Versatile handling of the suspension<br>Rapid process                        | Fragile stability of the colloidal dispersion<br>Reduction to graphene is only partial     |

# Large area graphene

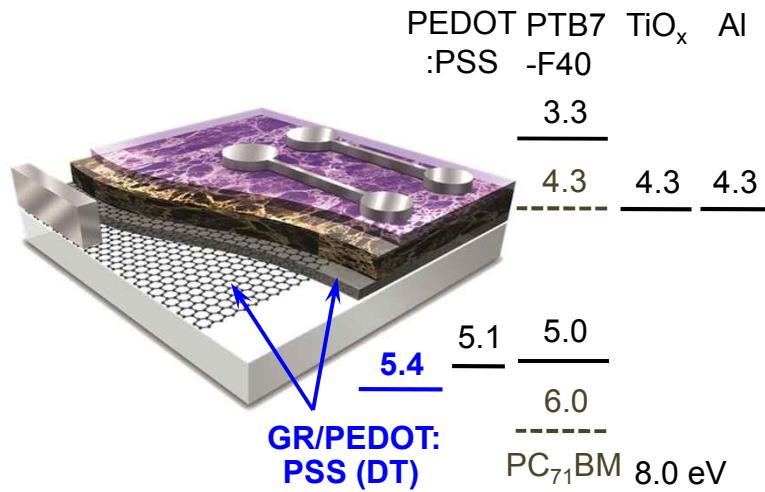


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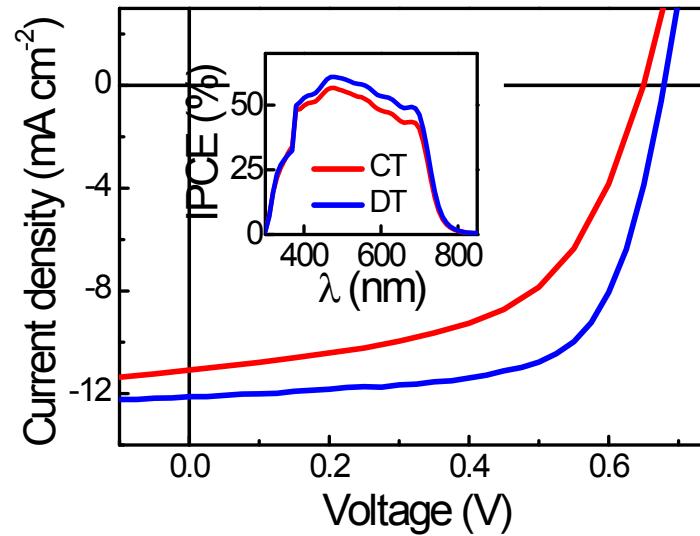
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# PSCs with graphene anodes

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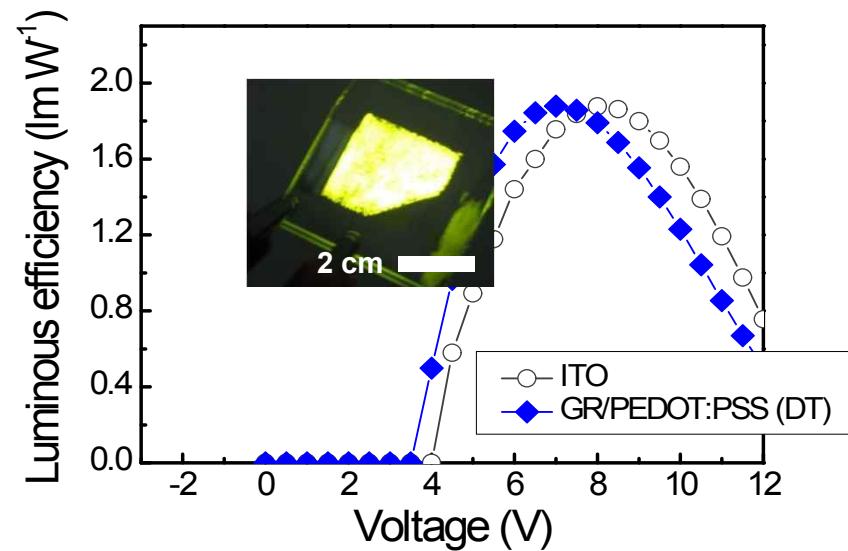
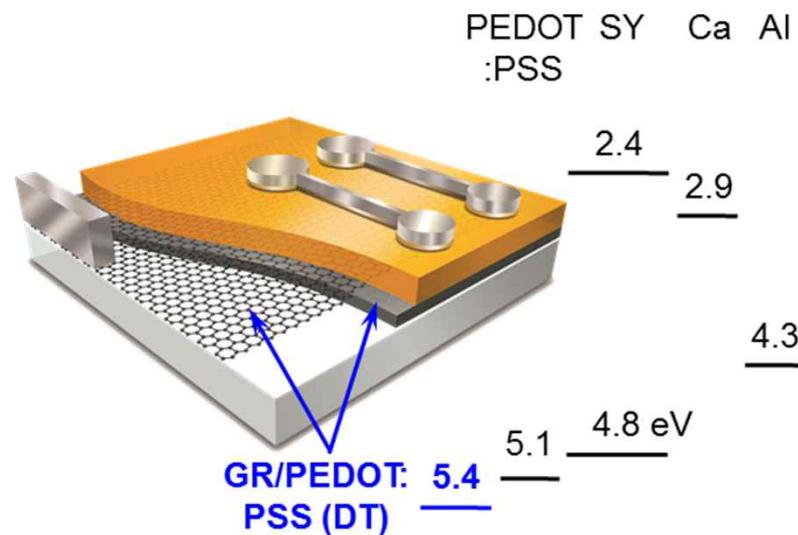


**b**



| Device | Substrate | Electrode | Method        | $V_{oc}$ (V) | $J_{sc}$ (mA cm <sup>-2</sup> ) | FF   | PCE (%)         |      |
|--------|-----------|-----------|---------------|--------------|---------------------------------|------|-----------------|------|
|        |           |           |               |              |                                 |      | Average         | Best |
| PSC    | Glass     | ITO       | RF sputtering | 0.68         | 14.1                            | 0.61 | $5.80 \pm 0.06$ | 5.86 |
|        |           | GR        | CT            | 0.65         | 11.1                            | 0.55 | $2.69 \pm 1.80$ | 3.92 |
|        | PET       | ITO       | RF sputtering | 0.64         | 14.3                            | 0.52 | $4.52 \pm 0.18$ | 4.74 |
|        |           | GR        | DT            | 0.64         | 12.5                            | 0.60 | $4.57 \pm 0.21$ | 4.81 |

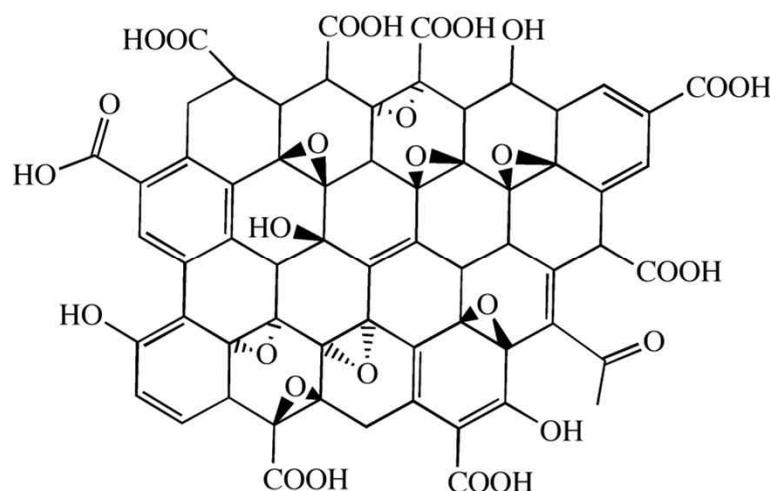
# PLEDs with graphene or ITO anodes



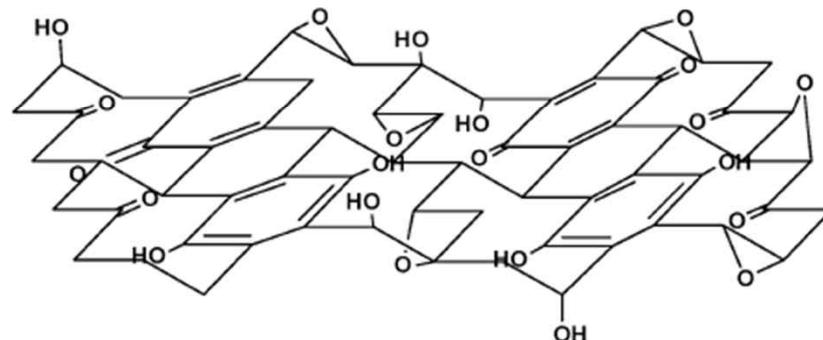
| Device | Substrate | Electrode | Method        | $\text{LE}_{\max}$ ( $\text{lm W}^{-1}$ ) | $\text{CE}_{\max}$ ( $\text{cd A}^{-1}$ ) | $V_T$ (V) | $L_{\max}$ ( $\text{cd m}^{-2}$ ) |
|--------|-----------|-----------|---------------|---|---|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| PLED   | Glass     | ITO       | RF sputtering | 1.87                                      | 5.15                                      | 4.5       | 4750                              |
|        |           |           | CT            | 1.37                                      | 3.69                                      | 4.5       | 3150                              |
|        |           | GR        | DT            | 1.87                                      | 4.14                                      | 4.0       | 4000                              |

# Graphene Oxide (GO)

- Covalently decorated with oxygen containing functional groups – either on the basal plane or at the edges
- Precursor for graphene
- Considered as a promising materials for biological applications owing to its excellent aqueous processability, amphiphilicity, surface functionalizability, surface enhanced Raman scattering(SERS) property, and fluorescence quenching ability



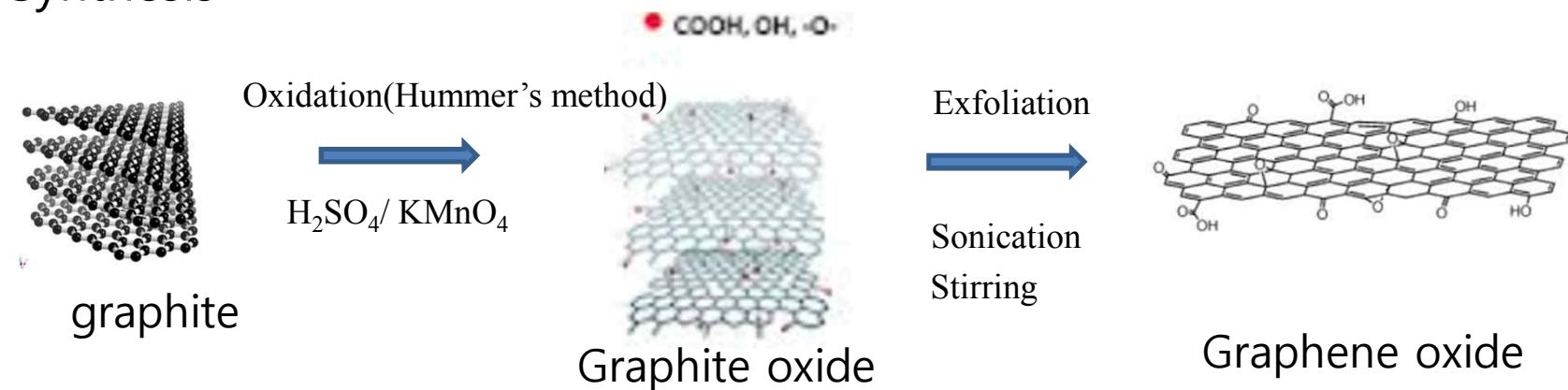
Lerf-Klinowski model



Dekany model

# Graphene Oxide (GO)

- Synthesis

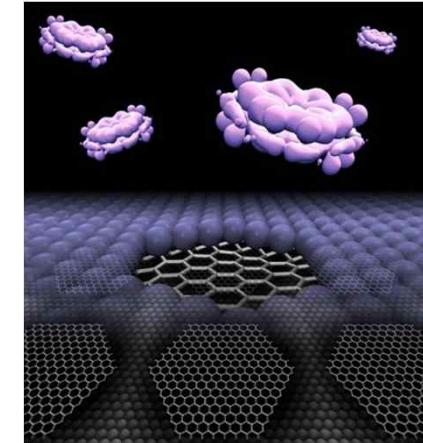


- Property

- In contrast to pure graphene, GO is fluorescent over a broad range of wavelengths
- Manipulation of the size, shape and relative fraction of the  $\text{sp}^2$  hybridized domains of GO provides opportunities for tailoring its optoelectronic properties
- Chemical modification of functional groups in GO gives possibilities of potential use in polymer composites, sensors, photovoltaic application, and drug-delivery systems.

# Graphene Quantum Dot (GQD)

- Small graphene fragments (size range below 20nm diameter, 2nm height), where electronic transport is confined in all three spatial dimensions



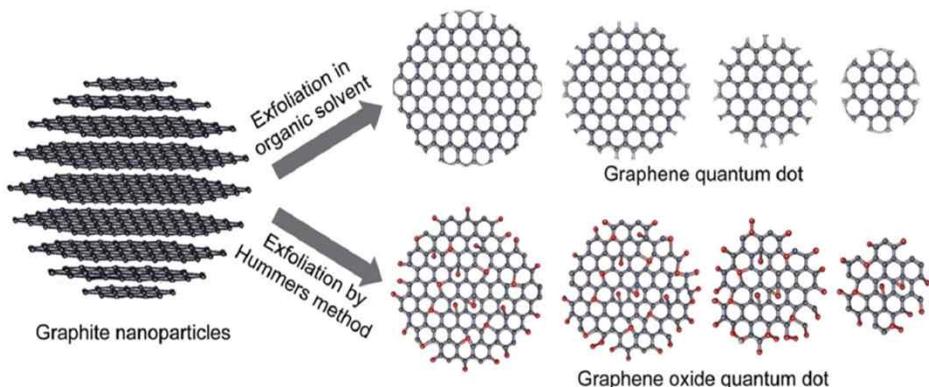
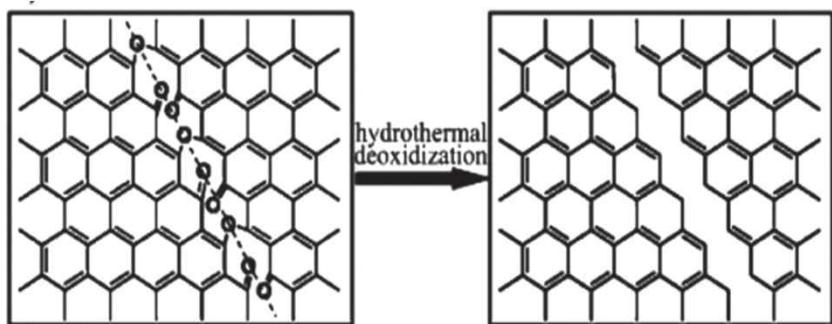
- **Property**

- Easier to handle compared to colloidal QDs and show the desirable electro-optic properties of quantum dots
- Non-toxic, highly soluble in various solvents, can be equipped with functional groups at their edges
- The PL bandwidth is much wider than semiconductor QDs and decreases with increasing excitation wavelength.
- Emits NIR fluorescence which is useful for cellular imaging due to the minimal cellular auto-fluorescence in this region
- Spectroscopic properties vary depending on the method of preparation, functional groups at the edges of the particles
- Upconversion luminescence

# Graphene Quantum Dot (GQD)

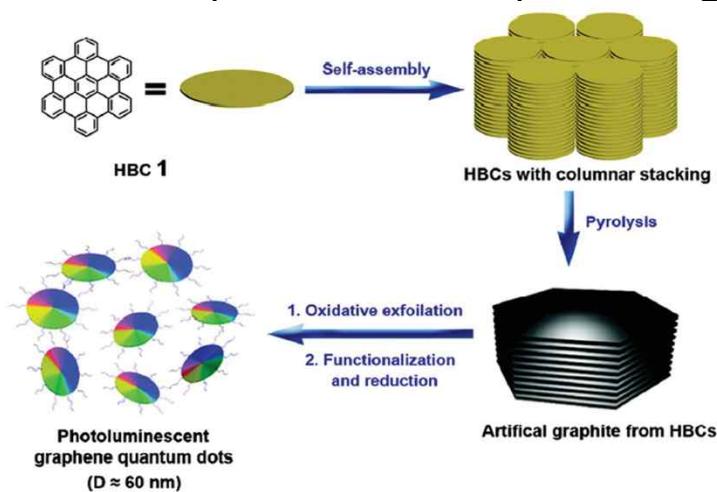
- **Synthesis**

- top-down method: hydrothermal cutting, solvothermal cutting, electrochemical cutting, nanolithography, microwave-assisted cutting, nanotomy-assisted exfoliation, ultrasonic shearing



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- bottom-up method: stepwise organic synthesis, cage opening of fullerenes



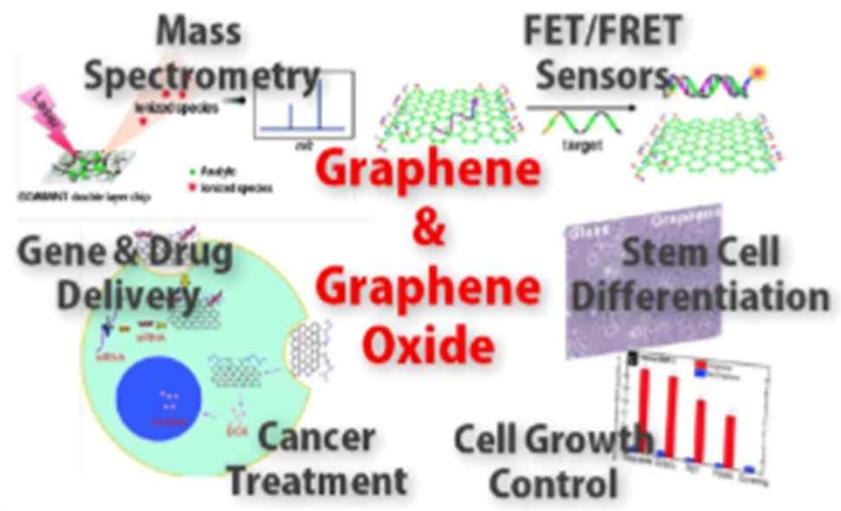
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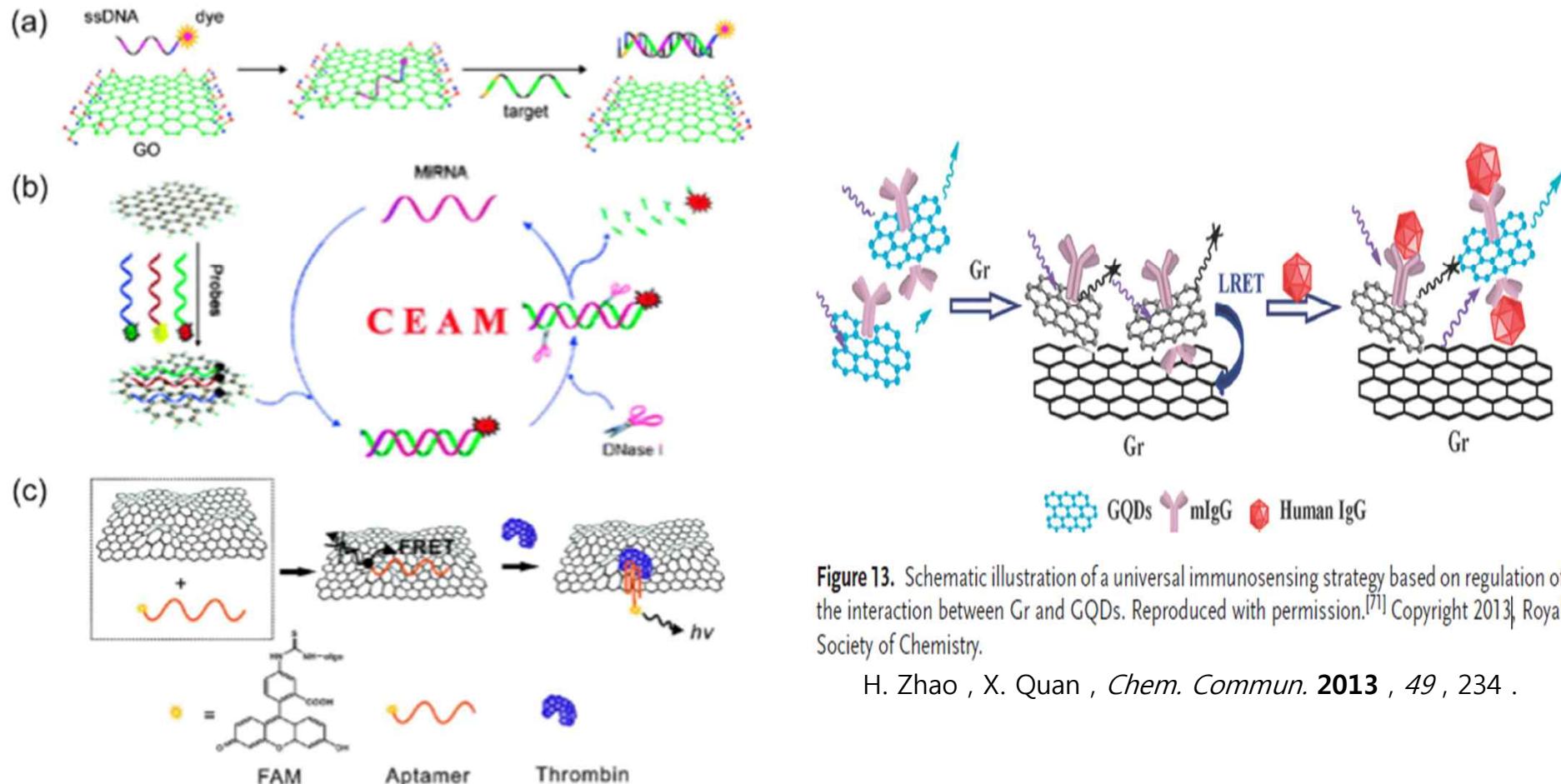
# Biomedical applications of graphene-based materials

- Mass spectrometry
- FET/FRET sensors (Enzyme biosensors, DNA-based biosensors, immunosensors)
- Gene & Drug delivery
- Cancer treatment
- Cell growth control
- Stem cell differentiation
- Bio-imaging



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# FRET sensors



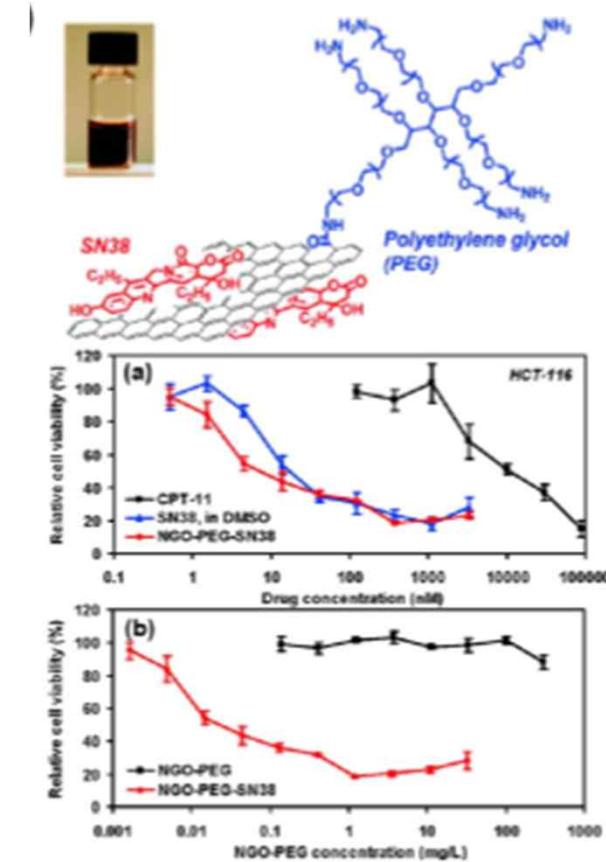
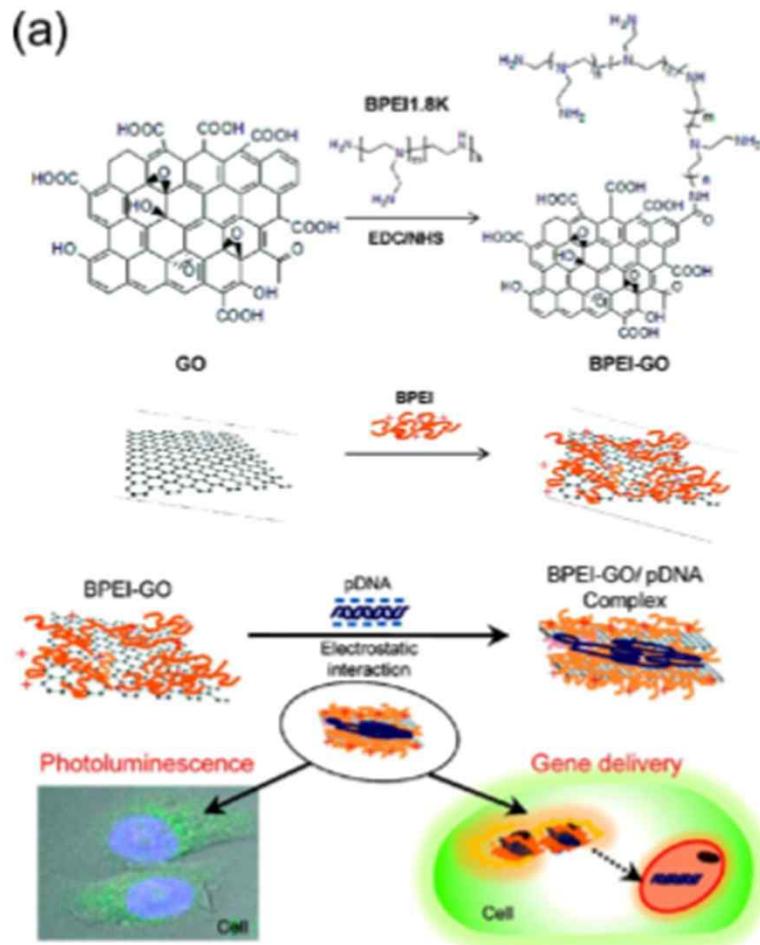
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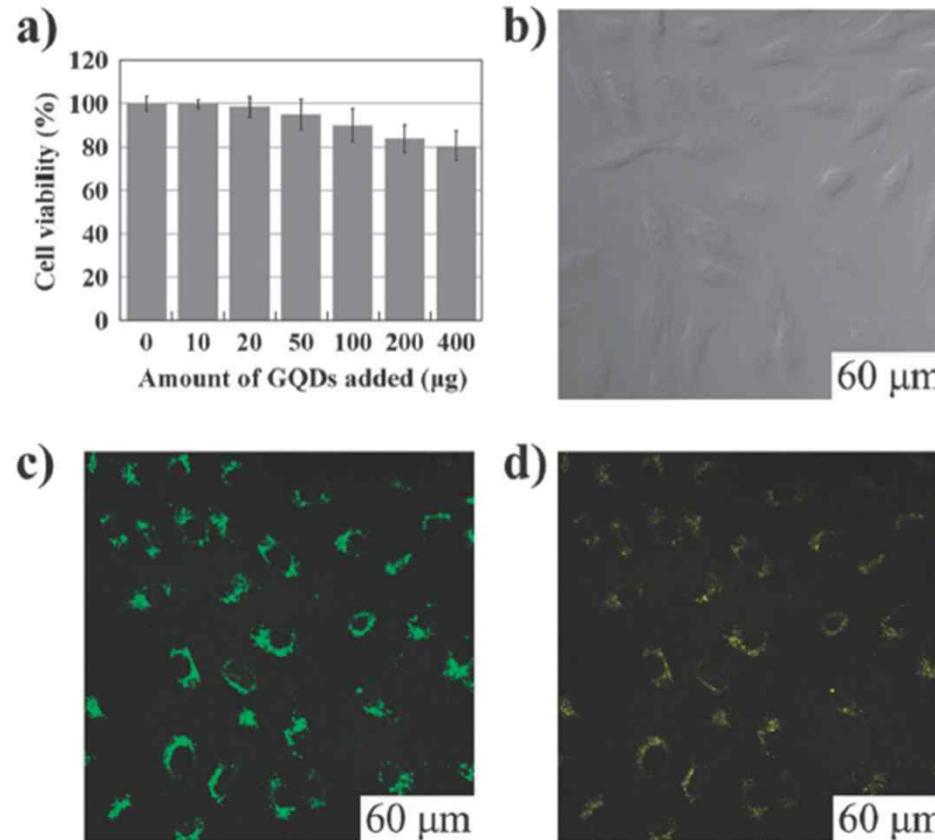
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# Bio-imaging



**Figure 12.** Cellular toxicity and cellular imaging of GQDs. a) Effect of GQDs on MG-63 cells viability. b–d) are washed cells imaged under bright field, 405 nm, 488 nm excitations, respectively. Reproduced with permission.<sup>[33]</sup> Copyright 2011, Royal Society of Chemistry.

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