

液中プラズマによる酸化錫-グラフェン複合体の合成

Liquid phase plasma assisted synthesis of Tin oxide – Graphene composite
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1. Introduction

High-sensitive gas sensing applications of graphene are issued on selectivity¹. Composites of tin oxide and graphene have been suggested to offer the selectivity due to formation of chemically functional groups and electronic p-n junction. The conventional synthesis methods are complex, expensive and time-consuming². In this study, we have employed the in-liquid plasma synthesis method, which is a simple, low cost and high yields³. Successfully, it achieved to be synthesized tin oxide and graphene composites.

2. Experimental method

Fig. 1 (a) shows an experimental setup. Tin oxide was synthesized by sol-gel. The nanoparticulate tin oxide was then dispersed in ethanol. The in-liquid plasma (6 slm of Ar, 9 kV at 60 Hz) of the ethanol solution was treated for 30 min. Synthesized black precipitates were collected using a 1- μ m filter membrane. After drying, we characterized using Raman spectroscopy, scanning electron microscopy (SEM) and Fourier transform infrared (FTIR).

3. Results and discussion

Fig. 1 (b) represents Raman spectra of the composites. The peaks around 500 cm^{-1} are assignable to tin oxide⁴. The other peaks located higher Raman shift are distinctively identified to graphene of G, 2D, D, and D'⁵. Fig. 1 (c) is the SEM image of composite. Flaky structured graphene and the tin oxide particles were uniformly distributed. The in-liquid plasma discharges assisted to form graphene flakes uniformly surrounding the nano-sized tin oxide

particles. The simple, atmospheric pressure, room temperature operating and low cost liquid phase plasma assisted synthesis process for tin oxide-graphene composite is demonstrated.

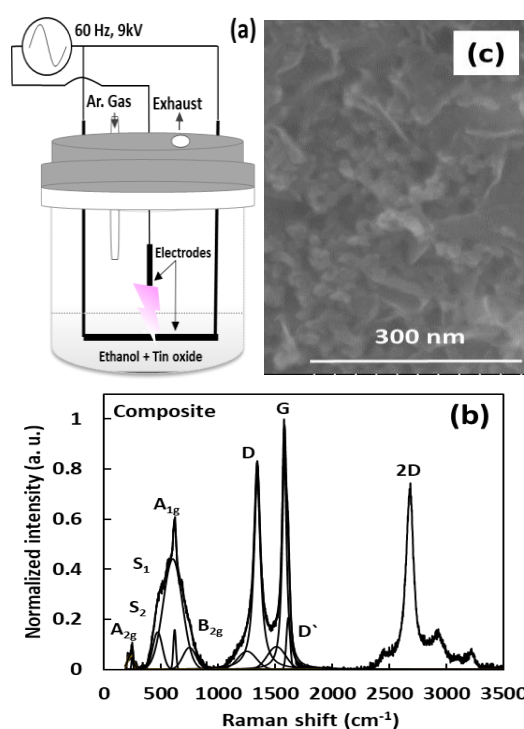


Fig. 1. (a) Schematic illustration of experimental apparatus, (b) Raman spectra, and (c) SEM image of the composite.

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