

PDMS-silver Nanocomposite for Flexible Conductive Stripes and Flexible Organic Solar Cells

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In this work, we demonstrate a facile, simple, and low-cost fabrication of PDMS-silver nanocomposite. Columnar silver acetate (AgOAc) microstructures were embedded into a polydimethylsiloxane (PDMS) matrix and were consequently transformed to silver nanostructures with three-dimensional pore structures by thermal decomposition. Silver nanostructures strongly adhered onto a polydimethylsiloxane (PDMS) matrix and exhibited excellent mechanical properties and high conductivity under a static mechanical strain. We also demonstrate a possibility to use the fabricated conductive stripes for application as flexible circuit, electronic devices and the flexible organic solar cells^{1,2}.

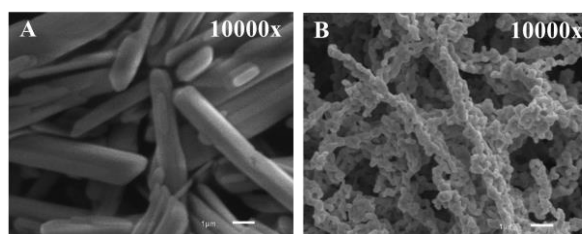


Fig.1 SEM image of (A) columnar silver acetate microstructures (B) PDMS-silver nanocomposite.

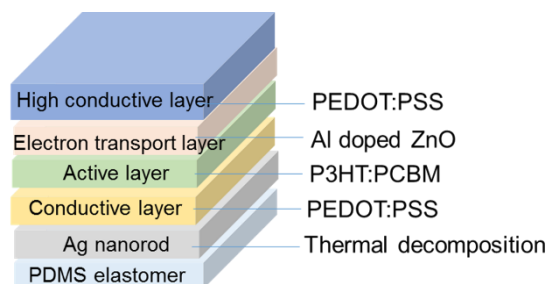


Fig.2 Schematic of fabricated flexible organic solar cells

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