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Opto-electronic Properties of Graphene Oxide and Partially Oxidized Graphene

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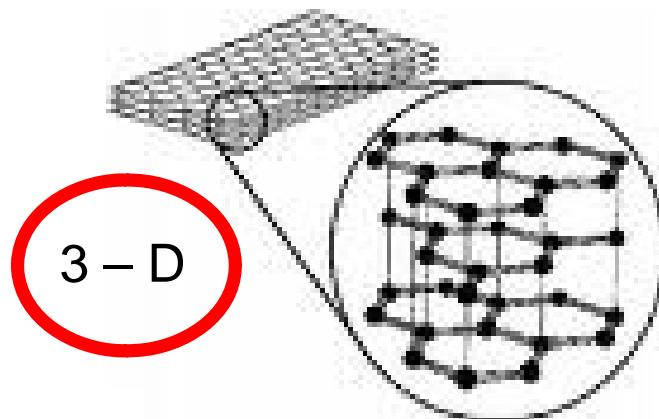
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Forms of Carbon

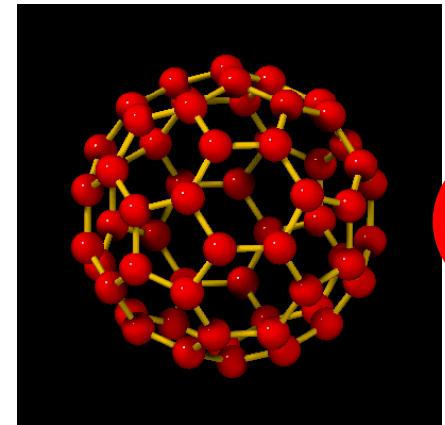
Diamond, circa 4000 BC
In India



Graphite, ~ 1550
Great Britain



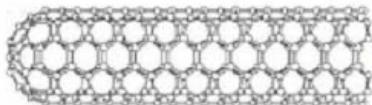
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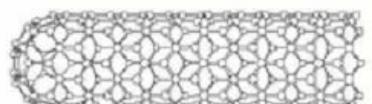
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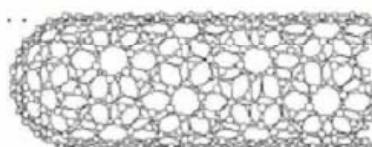
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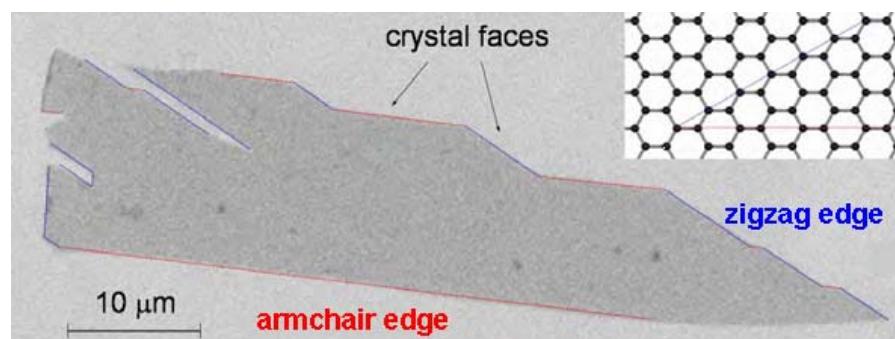


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Graphene, 2004



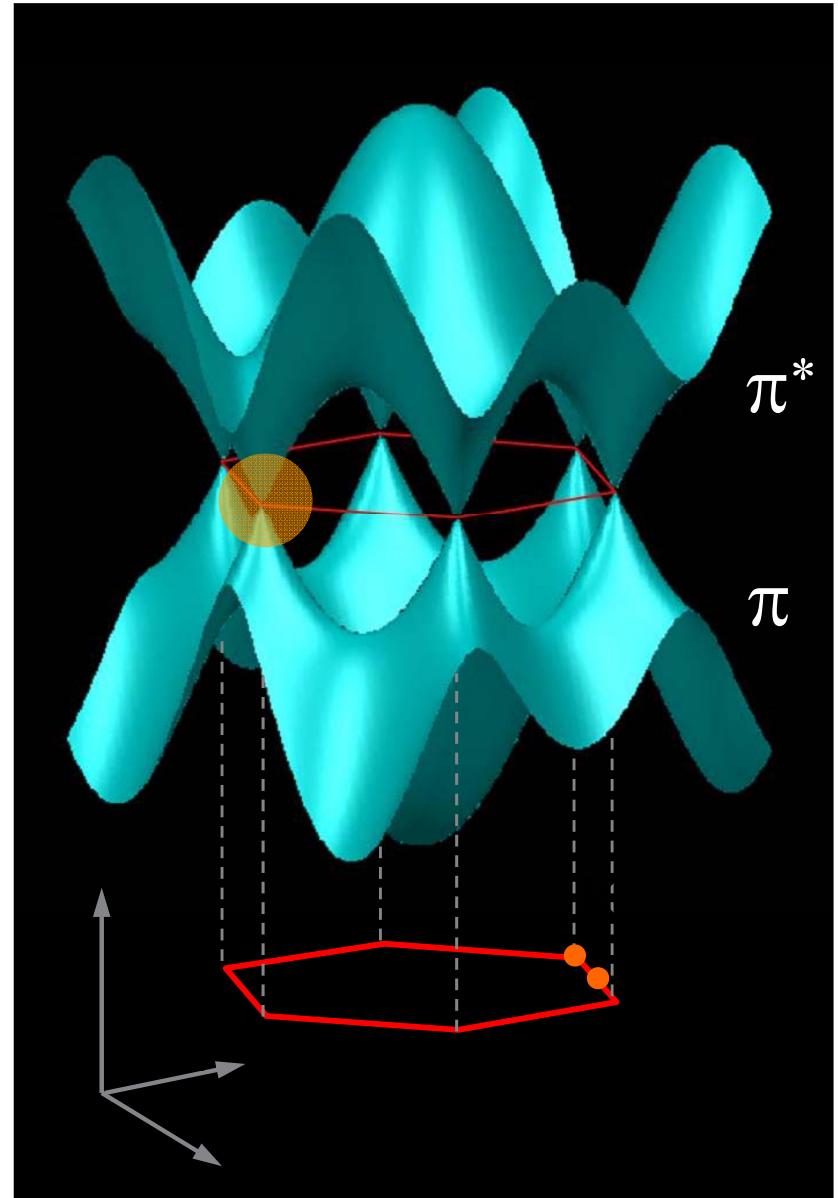
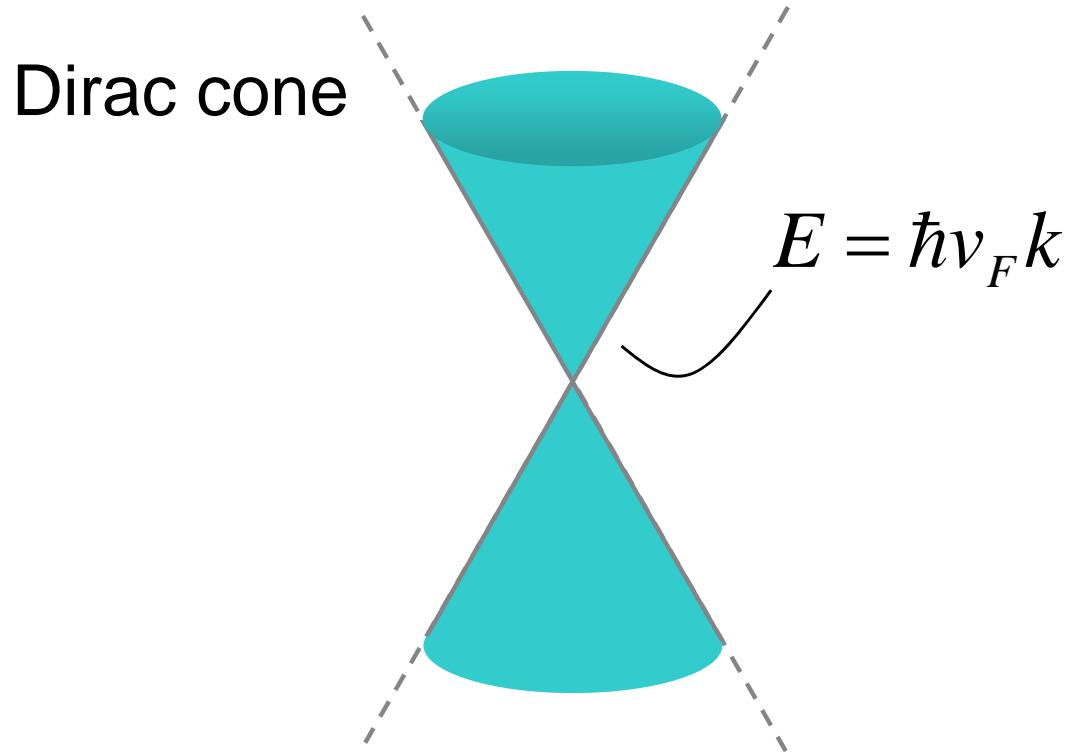
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Electronic structure of graphene

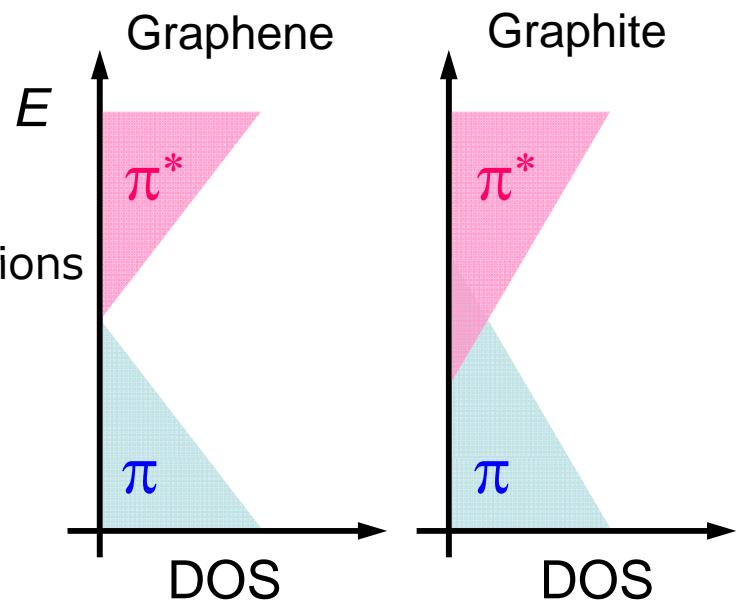
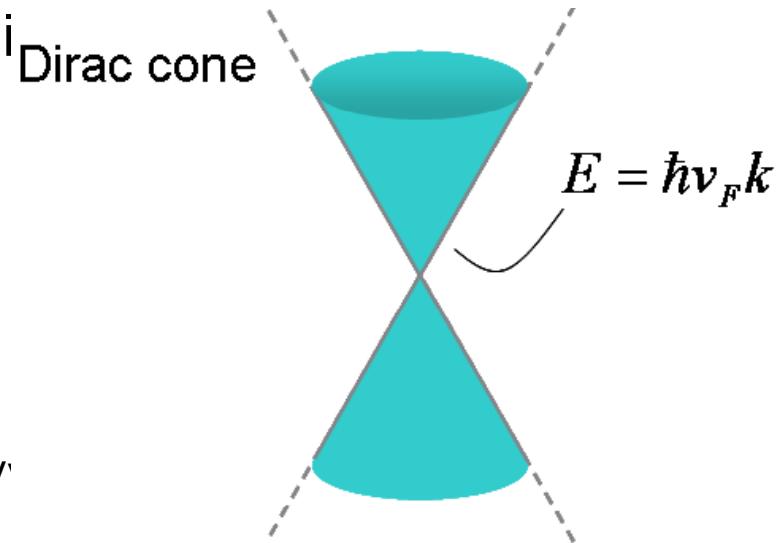
Dispersion relation using Tight Binding:

$$E(k_x, k_y) = \pm \gamma_0 \left[1 + 4 \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}k_x a_{C-C}}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{k_y a_{C-C}}{2}\right) + 4 \cos^2\left(\frac{k_y a_{C-C}}{2}\right) \right]^{1/2}$$



Why Graphene?

- Chemical, mechanical, and thermal stability
- 0 eV band-gap semiconductor
 - Ambipolar field effect transistors
- Extraordinary mobility
 - Room temperature mobility of $\sim 10,000 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V s}$
- High current carrying capability
 - Electrons and holes up to $10^{13}/\text{cm}^2$
- Exotic physical properties
 - Relativistic charge carriers – massless Dirac Fermions
 - Unusual quantum Hall effect
 - Ballistic transport



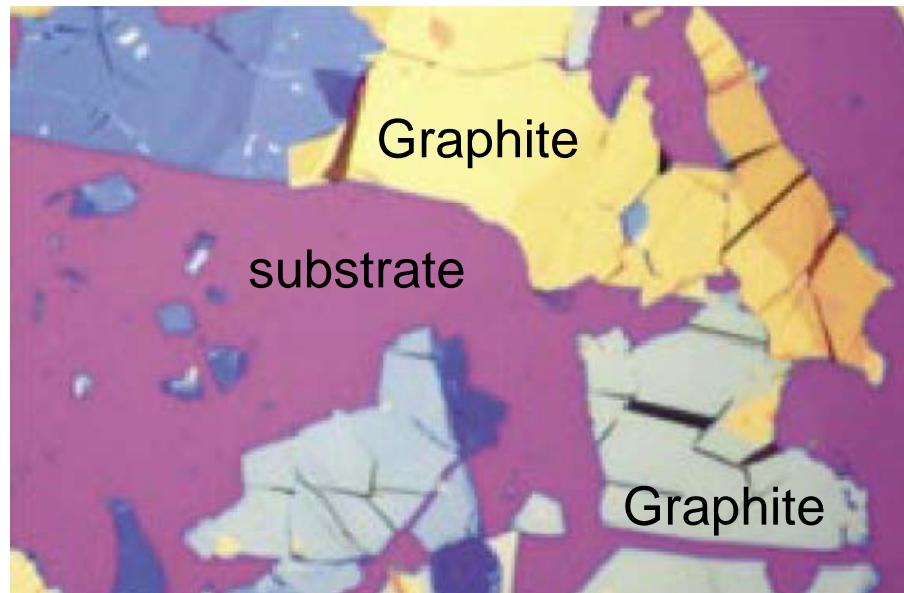
Graphene: Challenges

Graphene science is exciting...

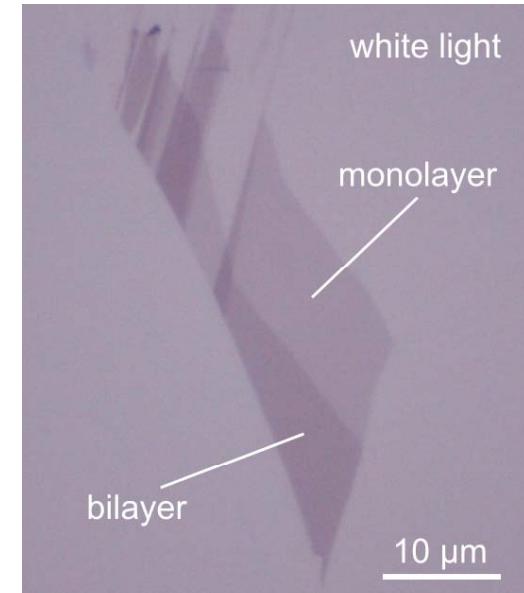
Graphene properties are remarkable...

BUT for technological implementation

- Technologically viable deposition method
- Control over deposition areas
- Choice over substrate
- Control over the number of graphene layers
- Reliable growth method

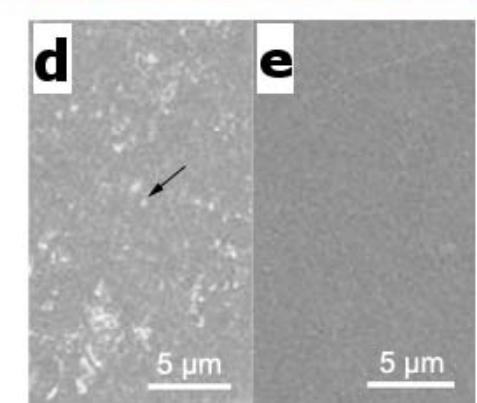
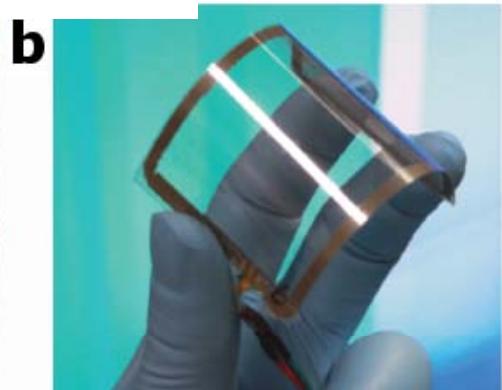
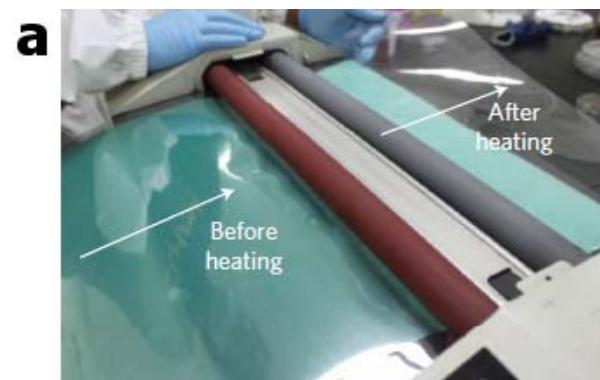
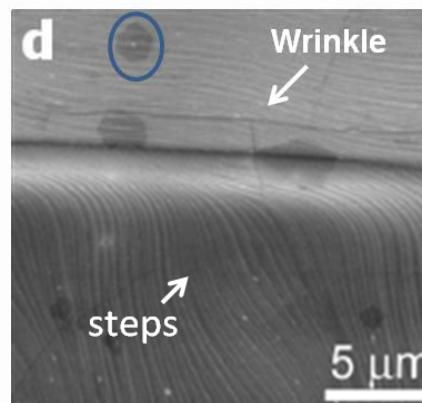
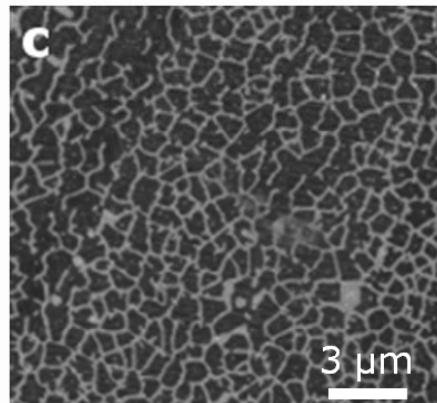
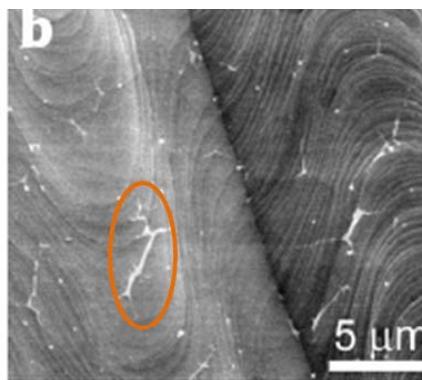
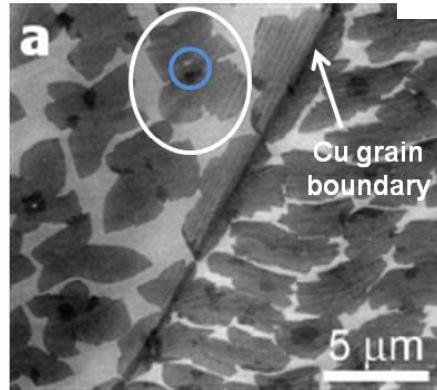


Geim and Kim *Scientific American* (2007)

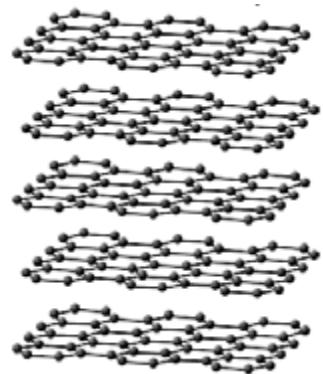


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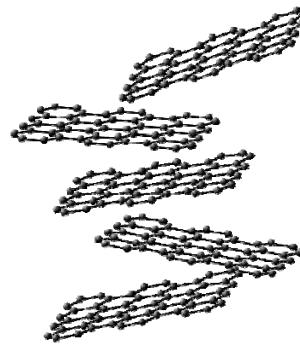
Graphene on Copper



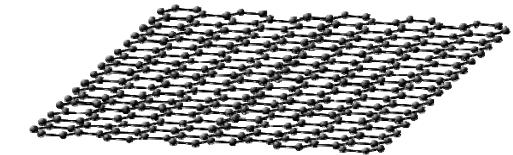
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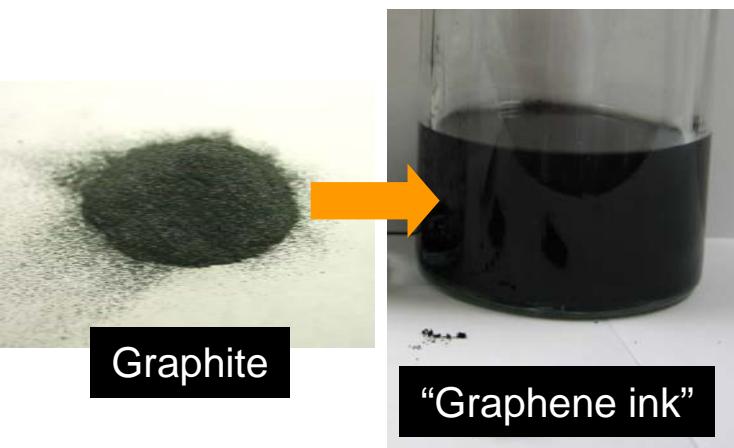
Graphite



Exfoliation

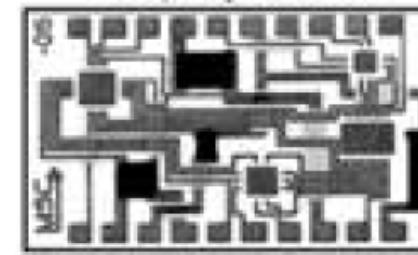
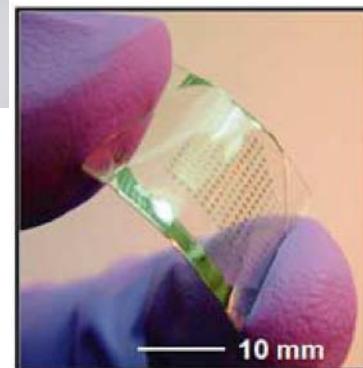
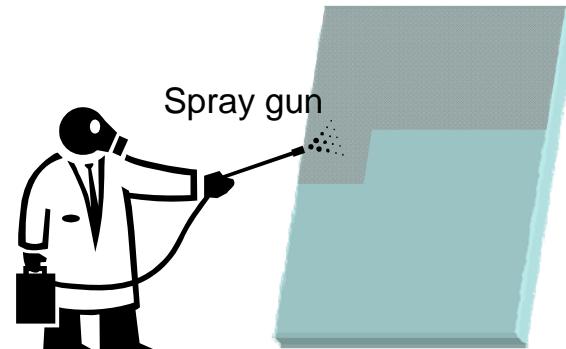
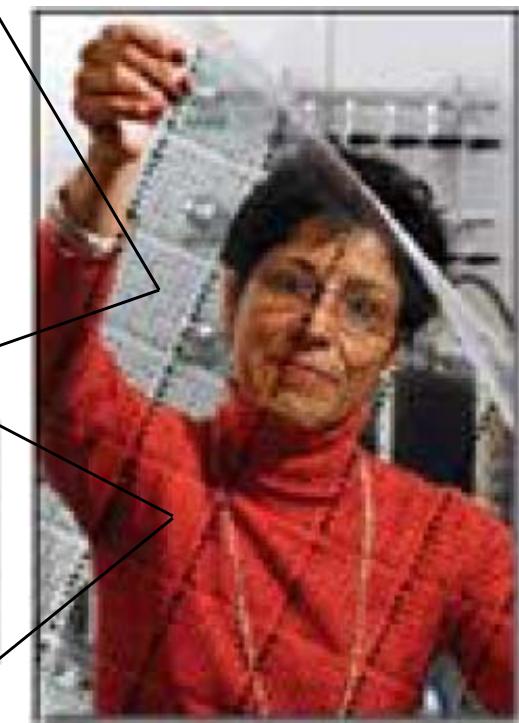
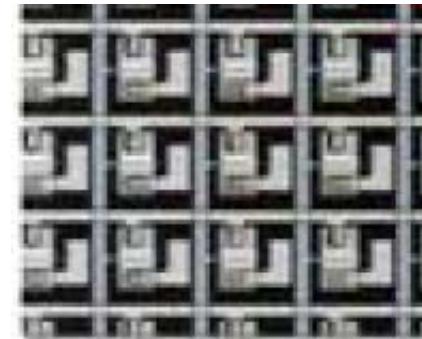


Thin film deposition



Graphite

"Graphene ink"

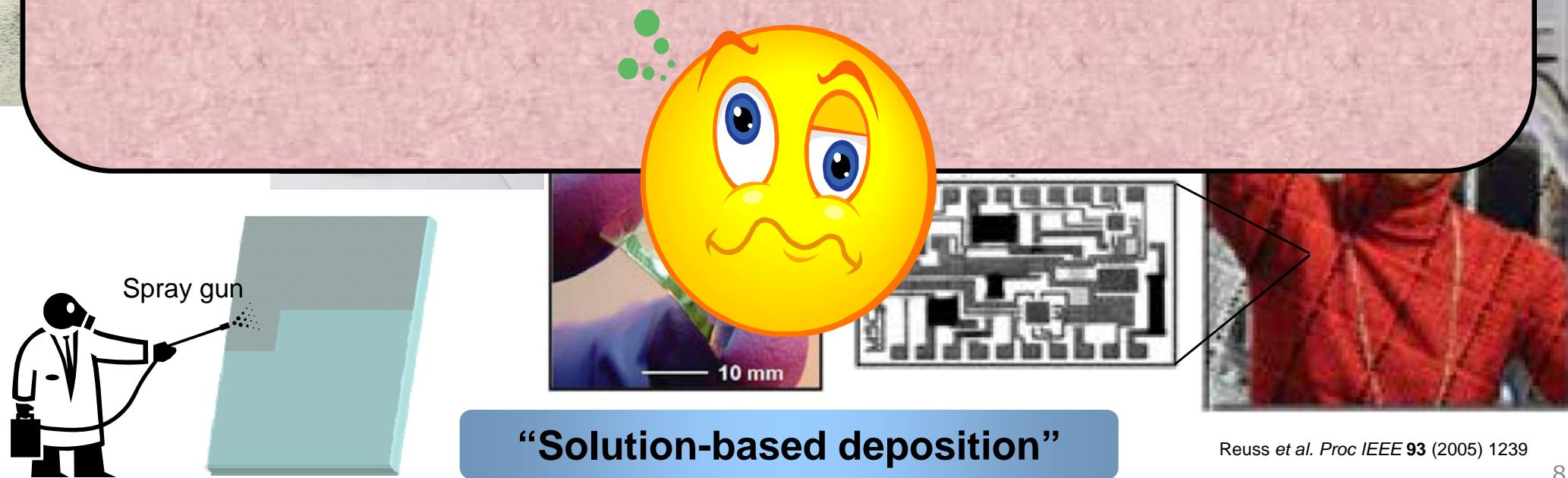


"Solution-based deposition"

"Graphene Inks?"



Graphite is insoluble!!



Graphite oxide

XIII. *On the Atomic Weight of Graphite.* By B. C. BRODIE, F.R.S., Professor of Chemistry in the University of Oxford, and President of the Chemical Society.

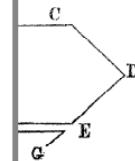
Received May 12,—Read May 12, 1859.

THE term Graphite has been indiscriminately applied to many varieties of native carbon of very different properties. The graphite of New Brunswick differs but little in appearance from anthracite coal. The graphite of Greenland is not very dissimilar, but possesses rather more metallic lustre. However, among these varieties of carbon, two may be especially distinguished,—by a superior degree of metallic lustre, by their structure, and other well-defined properties. In the following paper, the term Graphite is limited to these two varieties, which may be further distinguished as “lamellar” and “amorphous.”

These crystals, when examined with the microscope, are perfectly transparent, and exhibit beautiful colours by the agency of polarized light. Professor MILLER of Cambridge, who was good enough to examine them, has communicated to me the following observations:—“The crystals, though not absolutely too small to be measured, are too thin and too imperfect to admit of measurement with the reflective goniometer. I have examined them under a microscope, for the purpose, if possible, of making out at least the system of crystallization to which they belong. Their system appears to be either

cleavage in that direction. The crystals are so extremely thin in a direction perpendicular to the paper on which the above figure is traced, that it is impossible to obtain any reflexion,

that it is impossible to obtain any reflexion,
except from the faces parallel to the plane of the paper."



What is Graphene Oxide?

Graphite powder



~ \$2/kg

Some of Our Contributions:

Nature Nanotechnology 3, 270 (2008)

Nano Letters 9, 1058 (2009)

Adv Funct Mat 19, 2577 (2009)

ACS Nano 4, 524 (2010)

Nature Chemistry 2, 581 (2010)

Advanced Materials 22, 2392 (2010)

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Graphite oxide



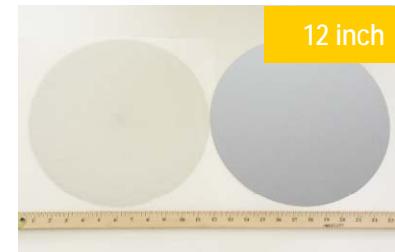
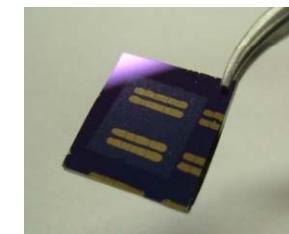
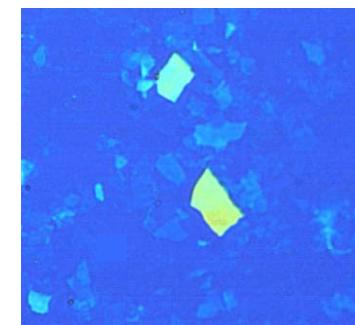
Graphene oxide
Colloidal suspension



OXIDATION: Hummers-Offeman (1958)
(NaNO_3 , KMnO_4 , H_2SO_4)

Brodie (1859)
Staudenmier (1898)
Hofmann-Frenzel (1930)
Hofmann-Konig (1937)
Ruoff et al. (2006)

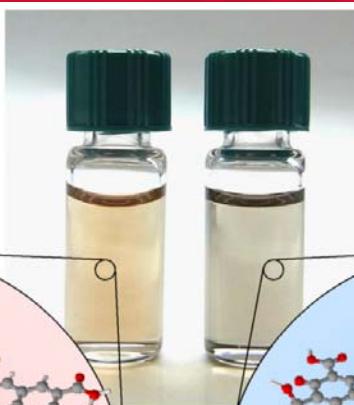
GO: thin films



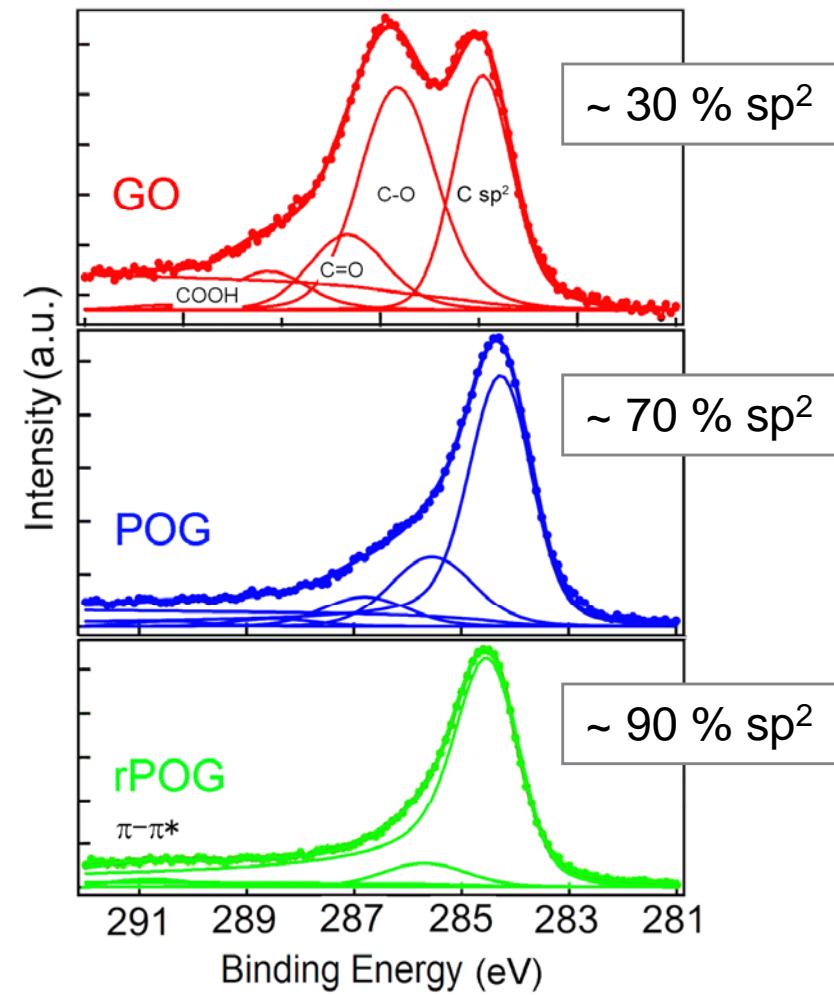
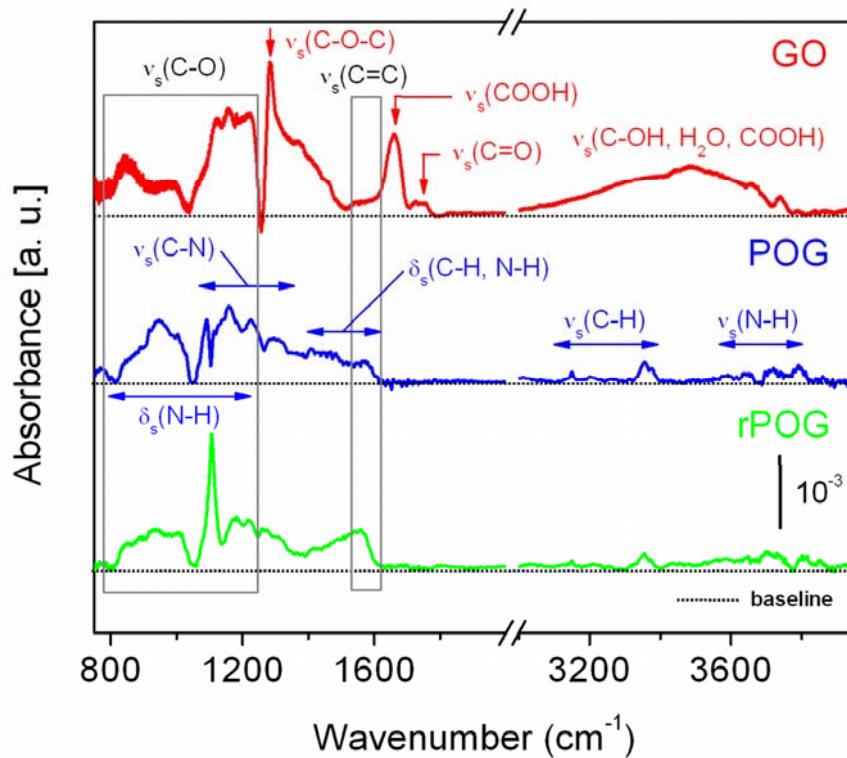
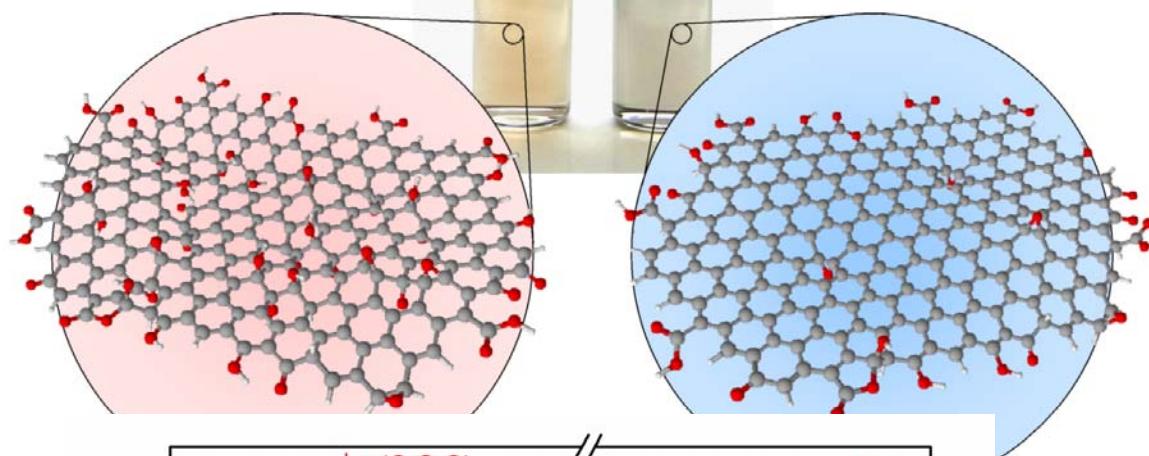
12 inch

Variable Oxidation

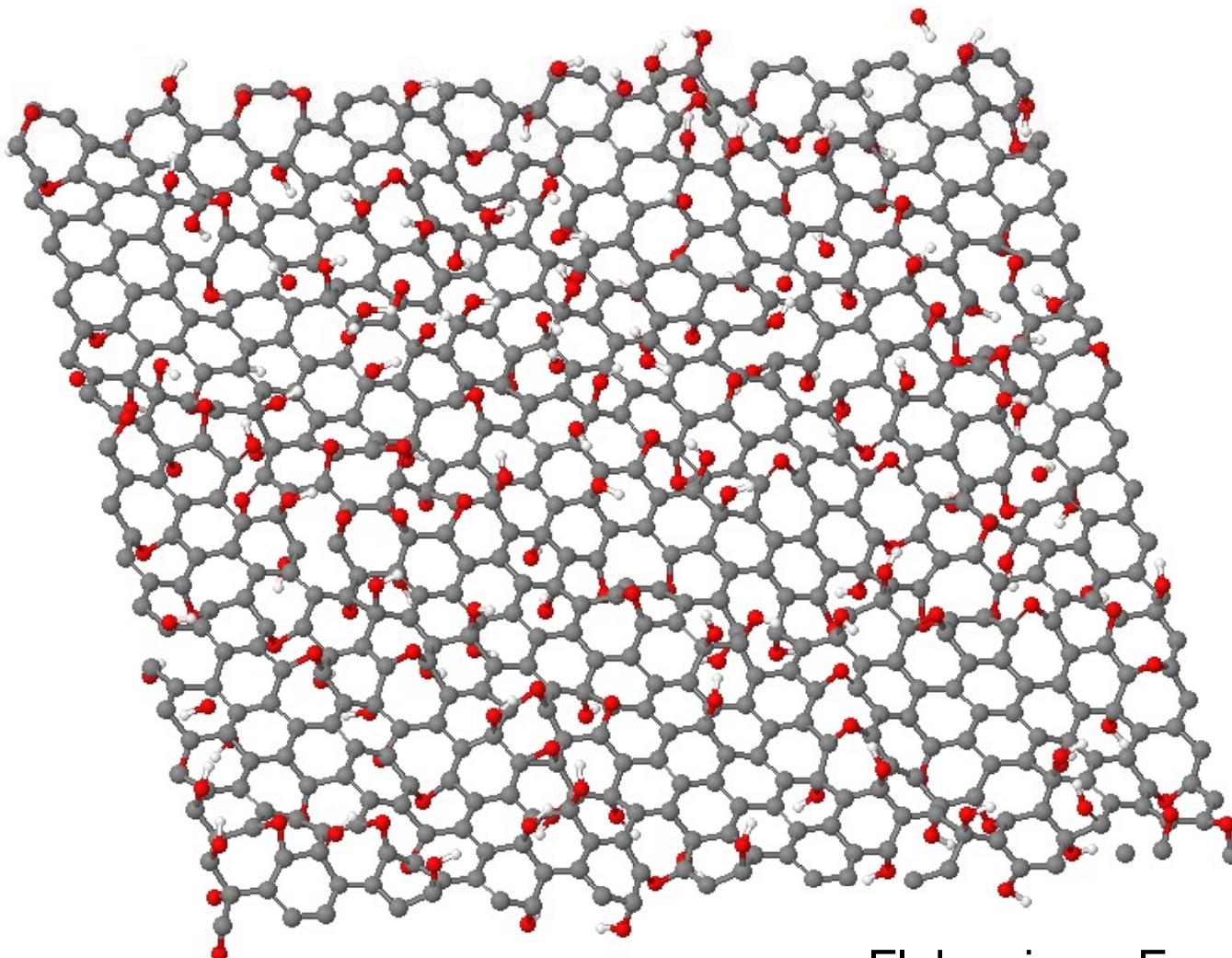
GO ~ 30% Oxygen
rGO ~ 7 – 8 % Oxygen



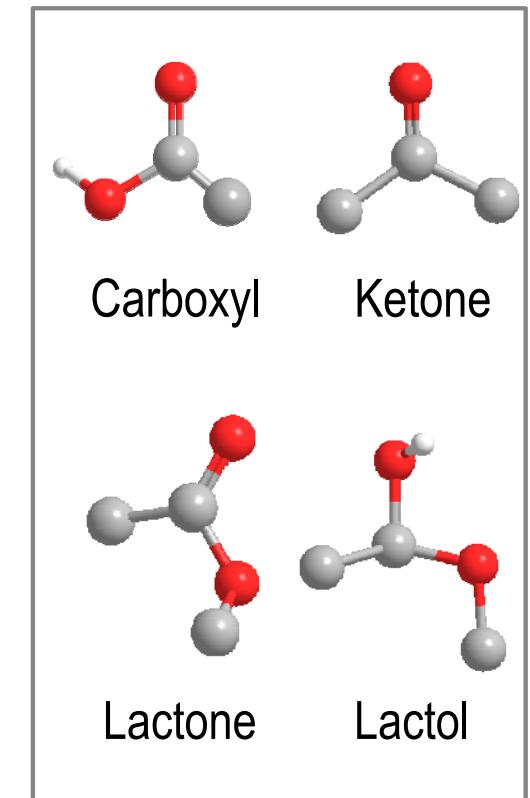
POG ~ 10 – 12% Oxygen
rPOG ~ 2 – 3 % Oxygen



Graphene Oxide



Edges



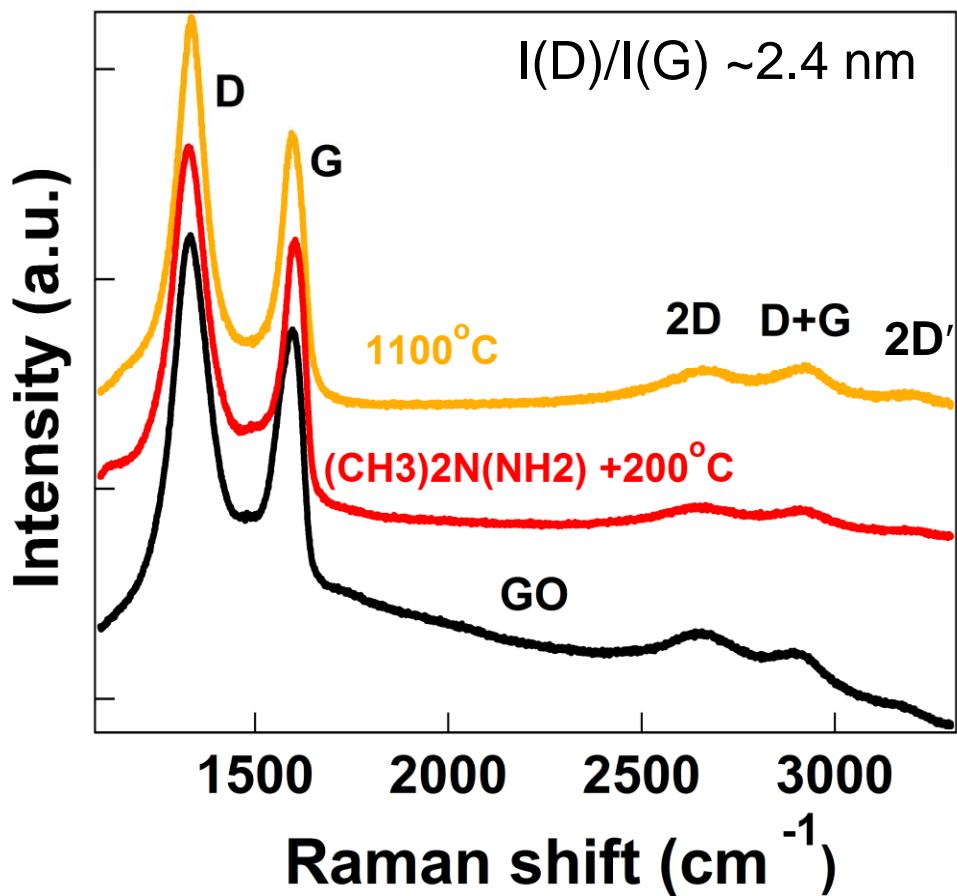
Flake sizes: Few microns up to 100 μm .

1. As-Synthesized GO: $\text{sp}^3 = 60\%$
2. Solution Processable
3. Can be produced in ton quantities

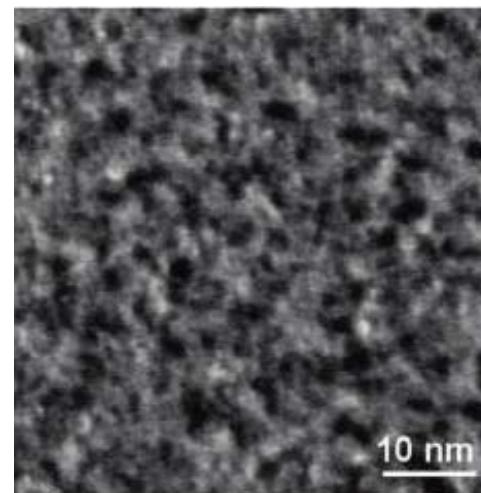
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Structure of GO

Distribution of oxygen in GO is highly non-uniform, with approximately 2-3 nm domain of very high oxidation and sparse oxidation

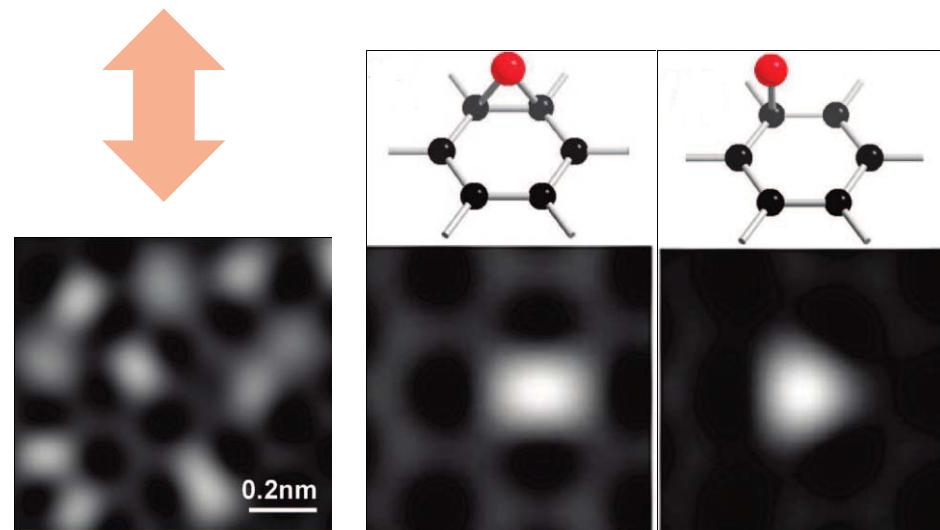


Mattevi, C. et al. *Adv. Funct. Mater.* 19, 2577-2583 (2009)



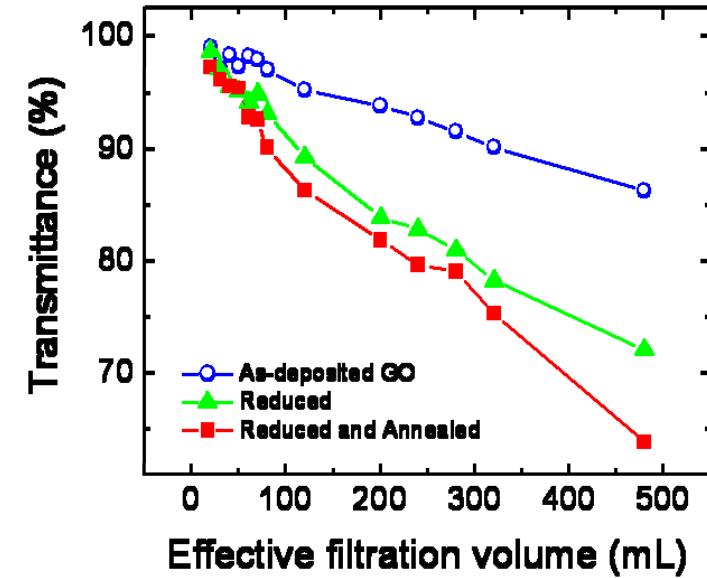
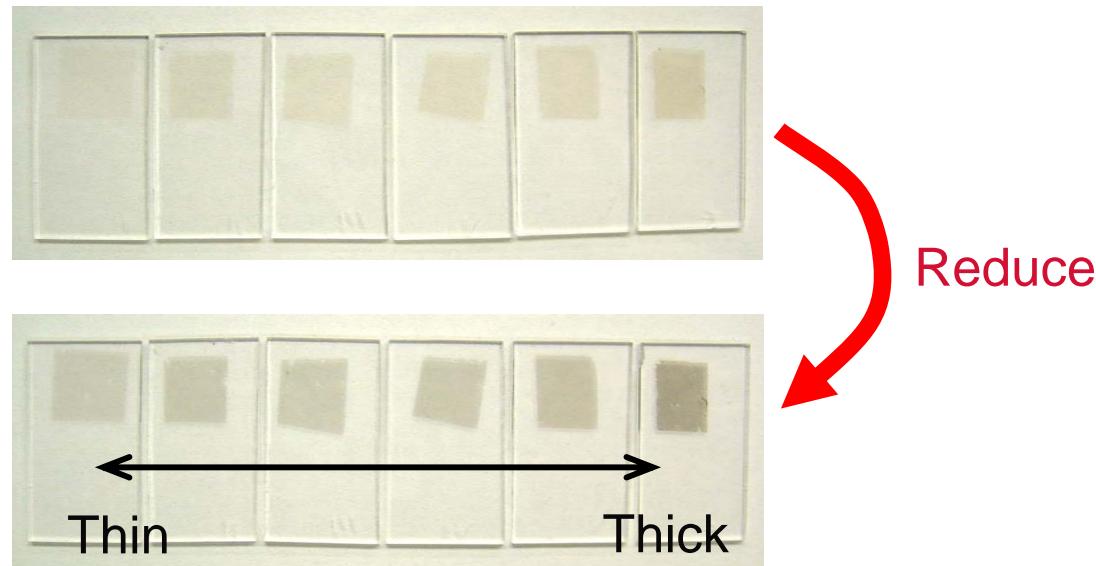
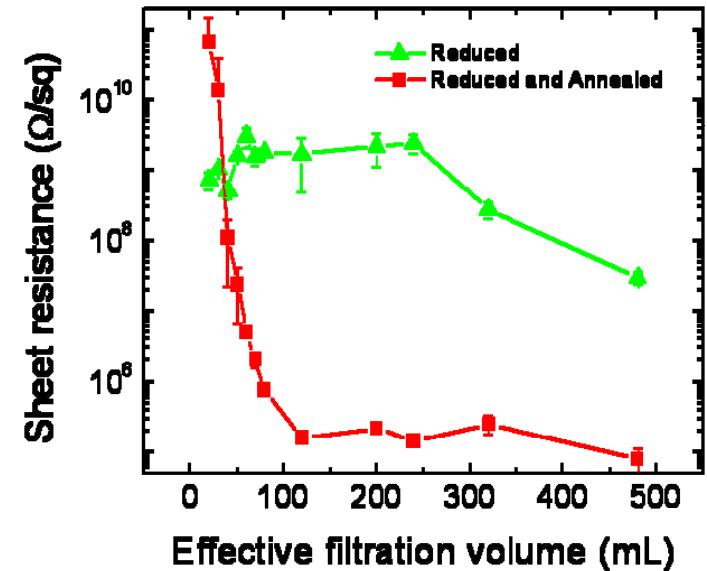
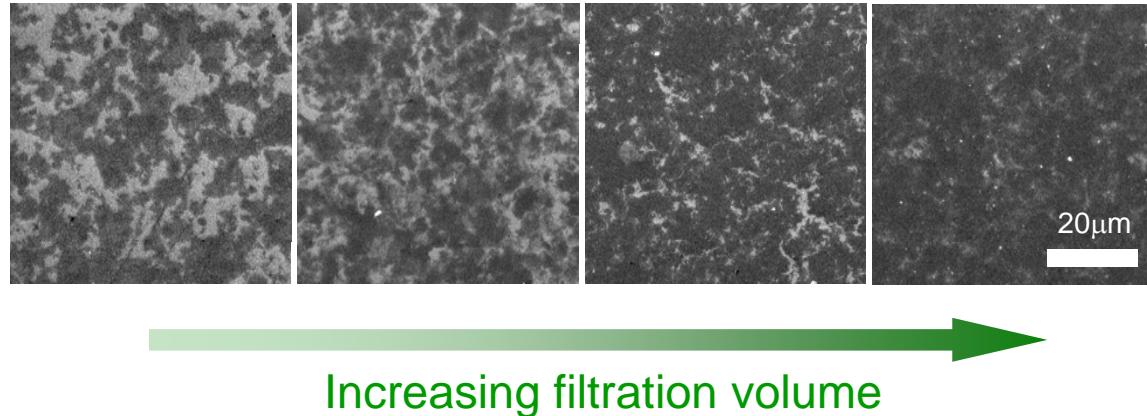
High-magnification
Annular Dark Field
image of monolayer
GO

Simulation by multislice
computational method

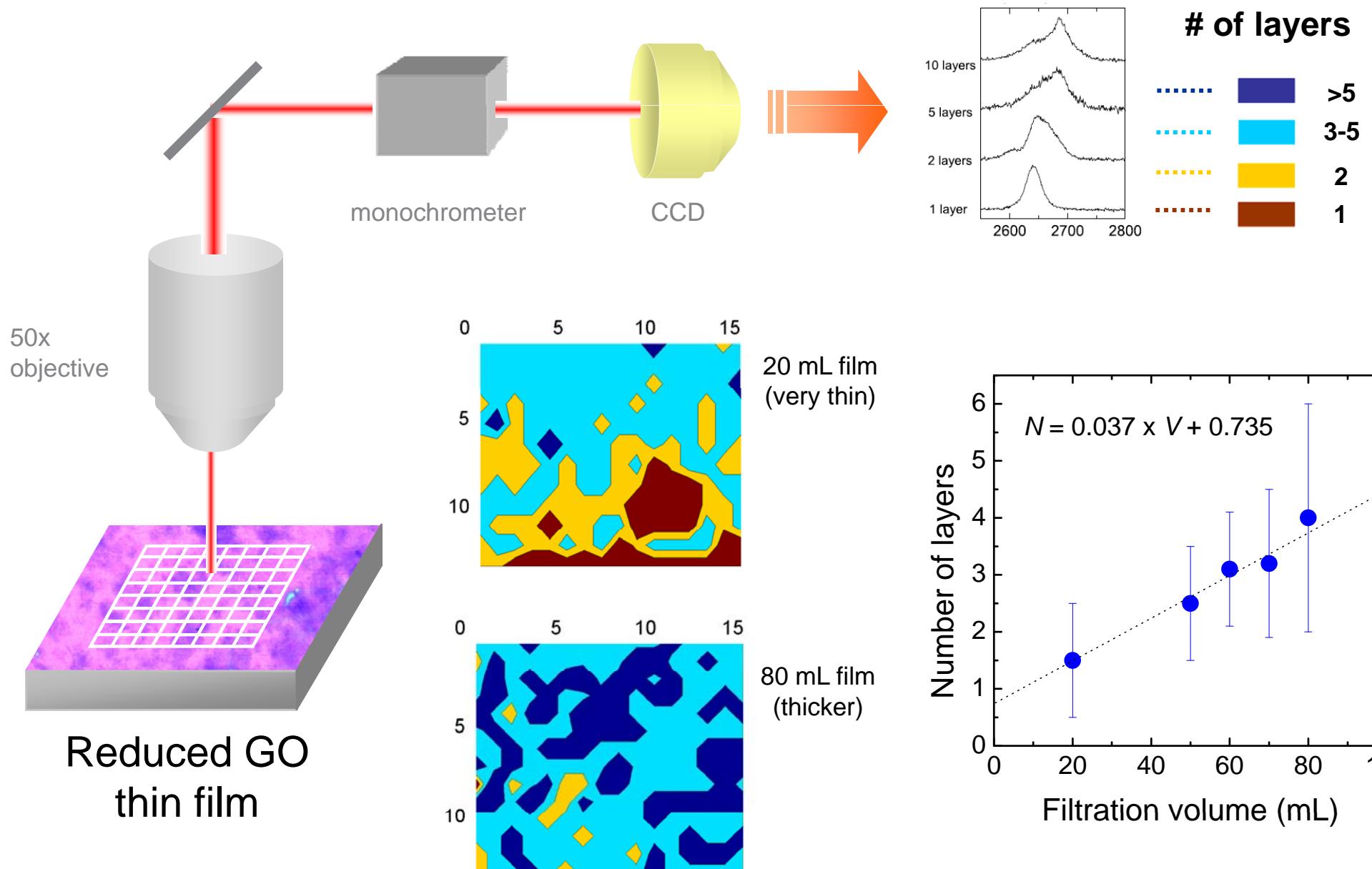


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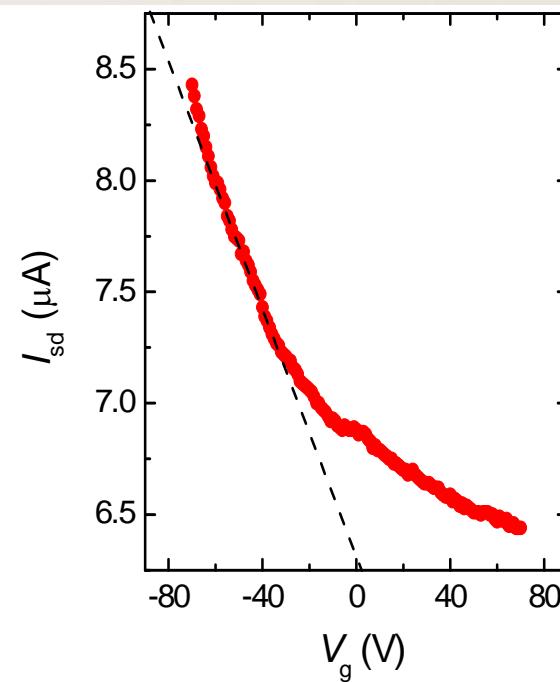
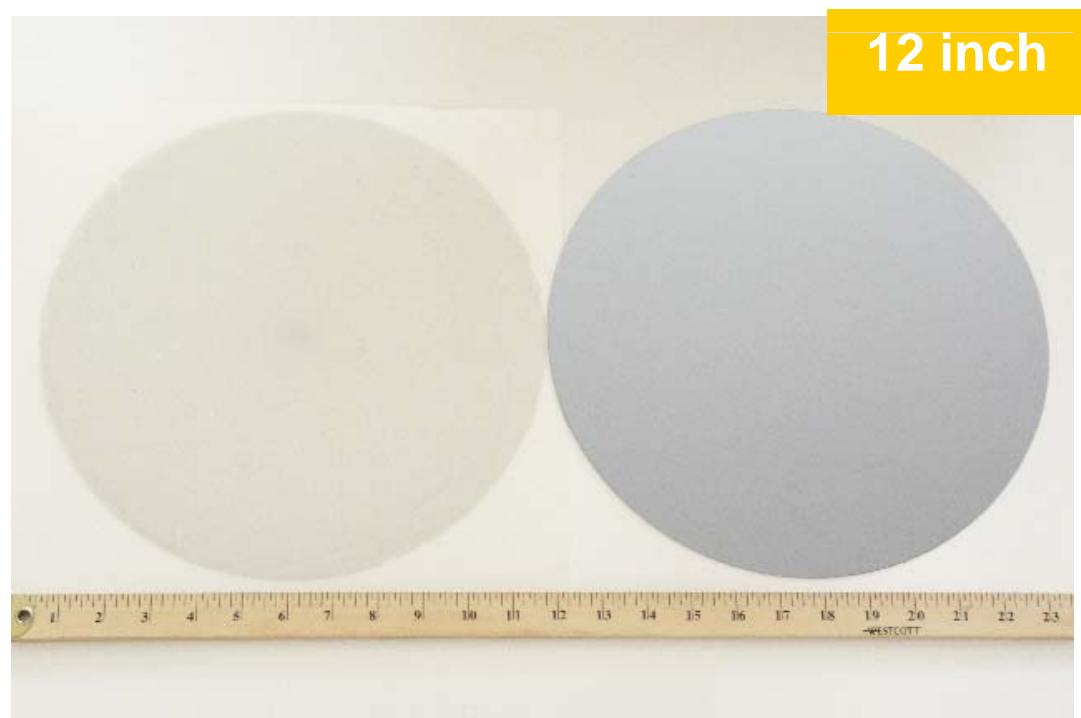
“Tunable” opto-electronic properties



Raman mapping



12 in. (300mm) Wafer Scale Deposition

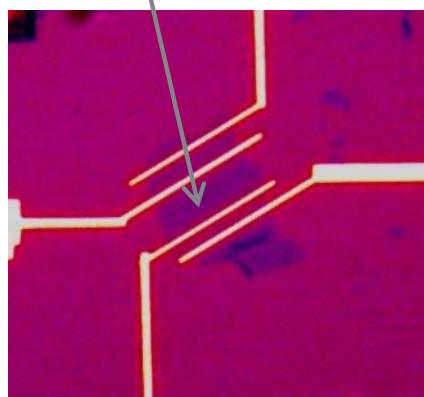


$\mu > 10 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{s}$
up to $300 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V}\cdot\text{s}$

Reduced GO: open questions

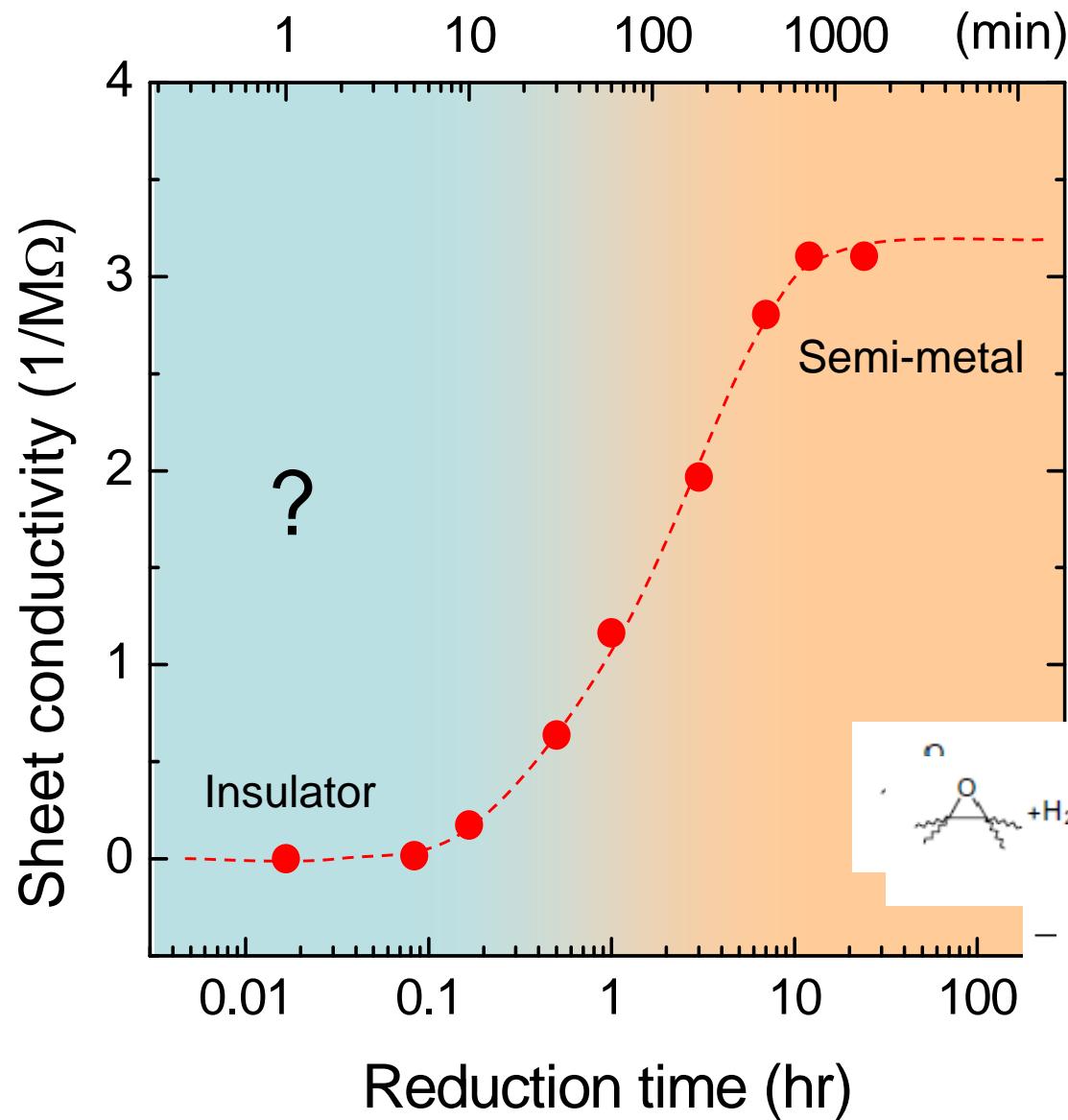
- How does the GO structure (chemical, atomic, electronic) evolve upon reduction?
- How do the properties (optical, electrical) evolve upon reduction?
- What are the limiting factors for mobility and conductivity of rGO?
- How much oxygen can be removed ? In which form is the residual oxygen present ?

Monolayer reduced GO

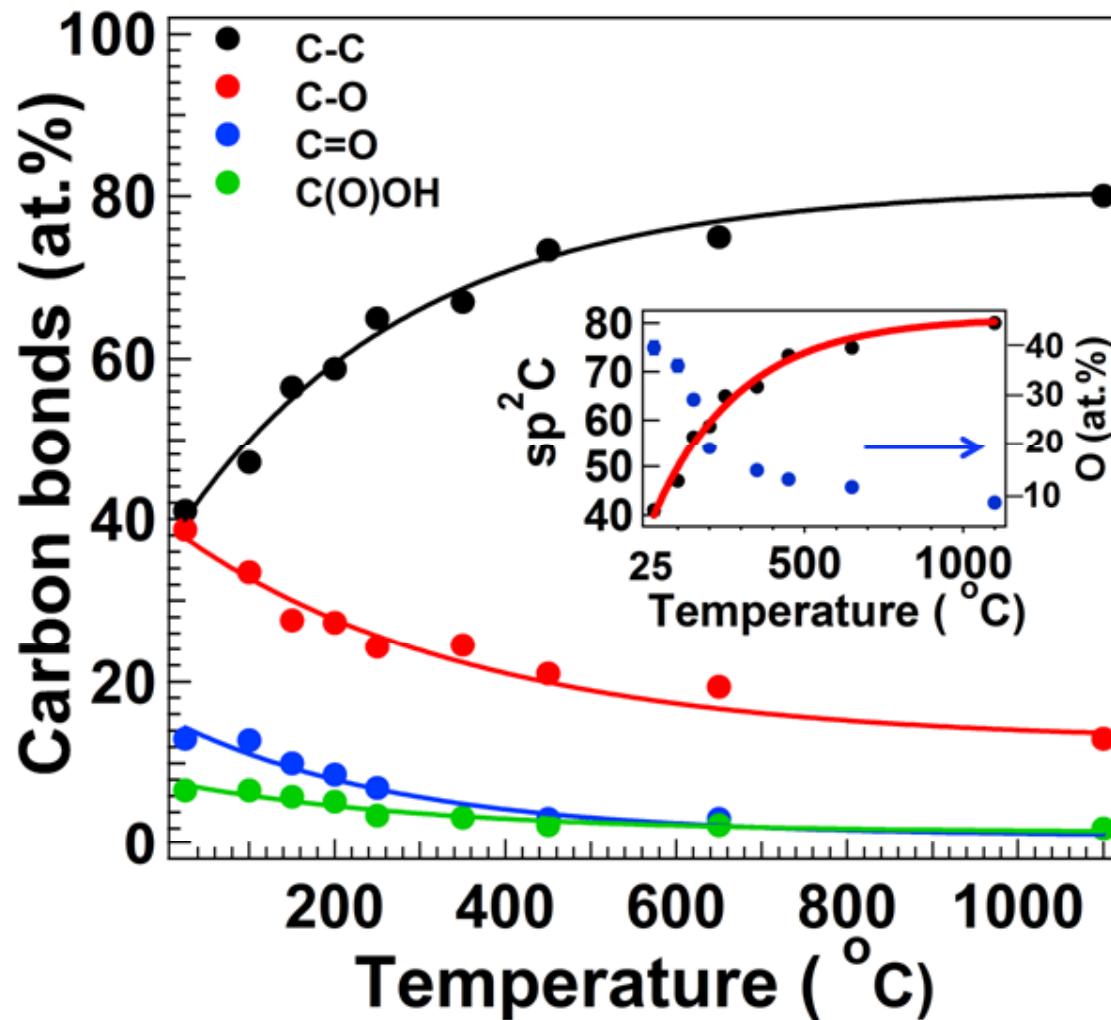


- mobility: Up to $100 - 300 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vs}$
 - on/off ratio: $2\sim 100$
 - sheet resistance: $\sim 1 \text{ k}\Omega/\text{sq}$

Evolution in electronic structure



Rate of oxygen release



Initial Oxygen 40 at.%

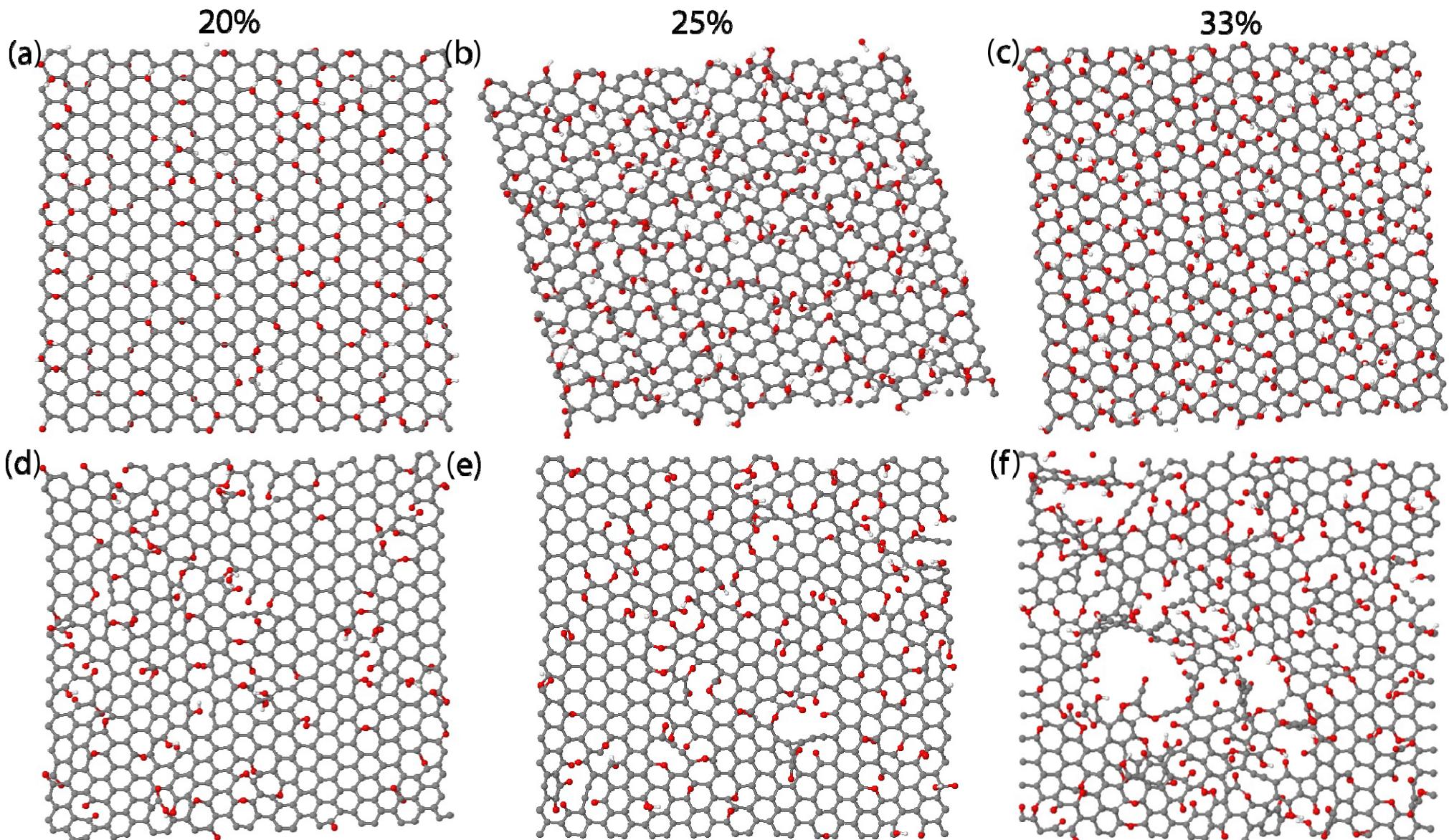


150 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ Oxygen 27 at.%



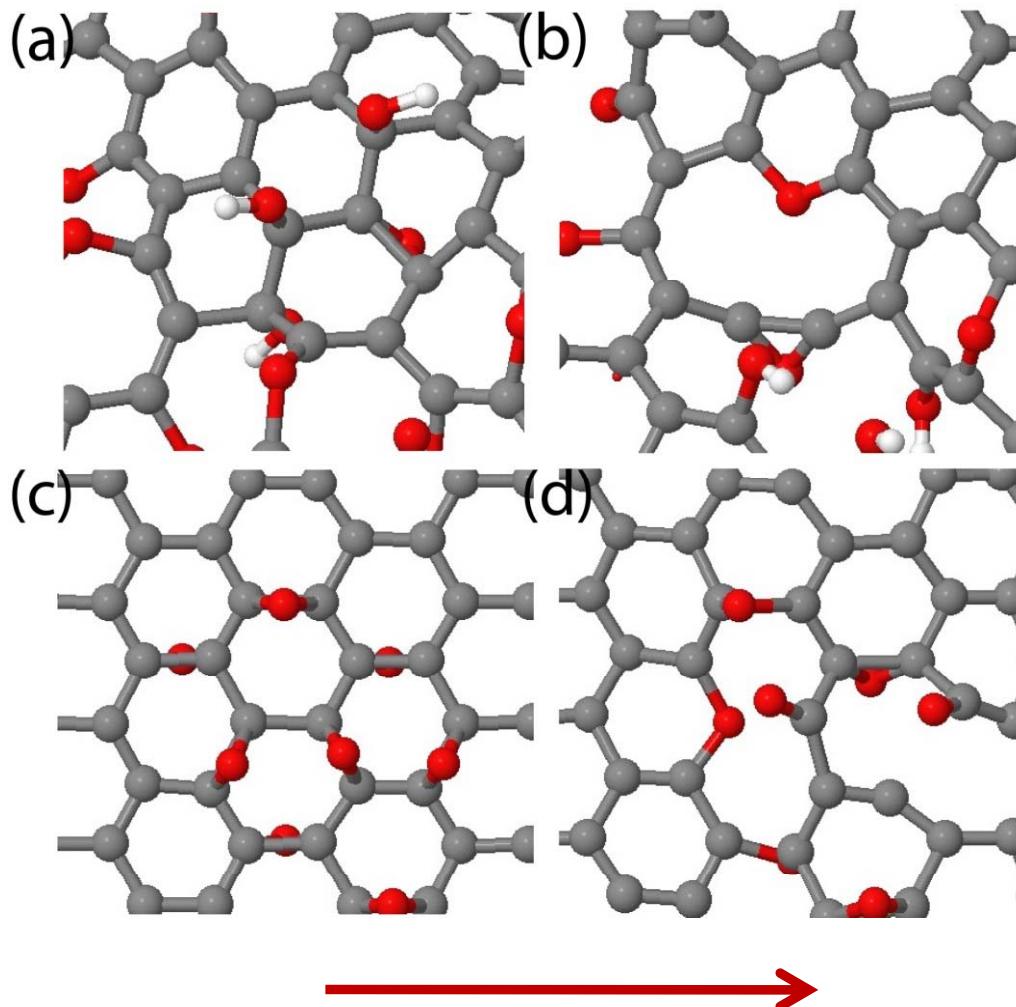
Final Oxygen 8 at.%

Evolution of structure with reduction



Pyran formation

Hydroxyls-epoxies

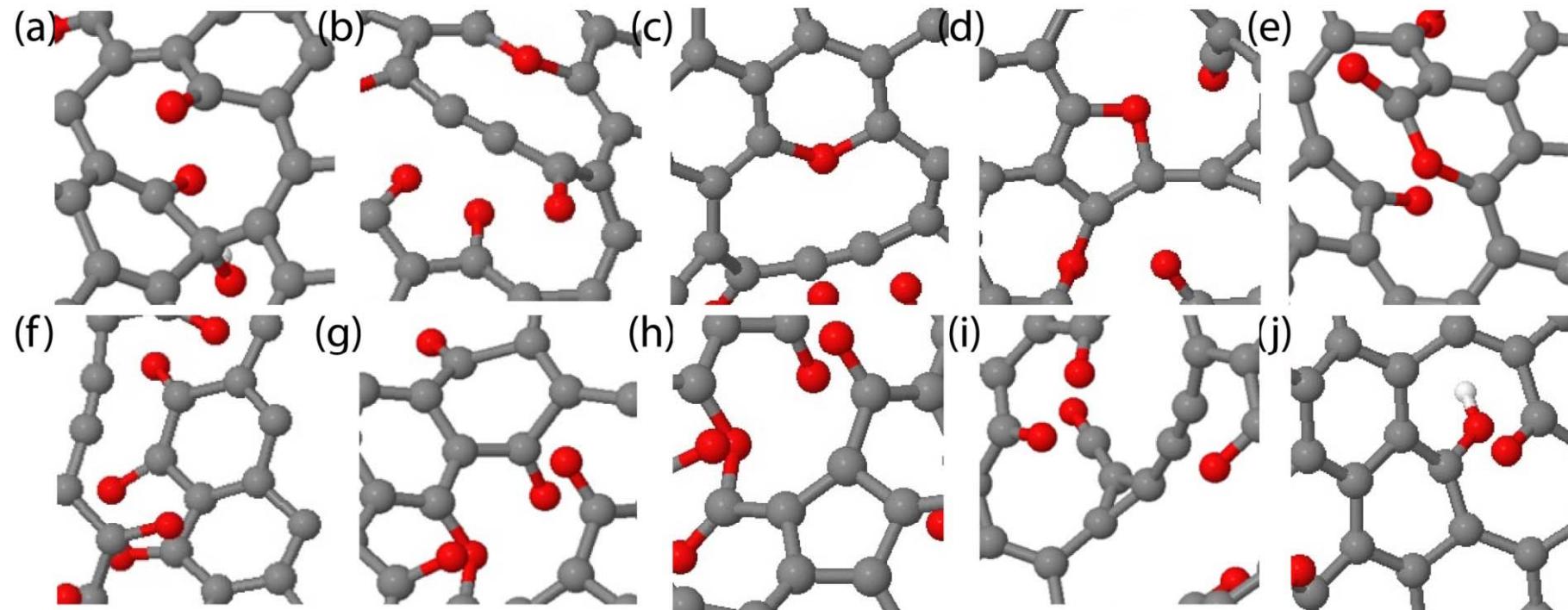


Loss of CO_2

Loss of CO

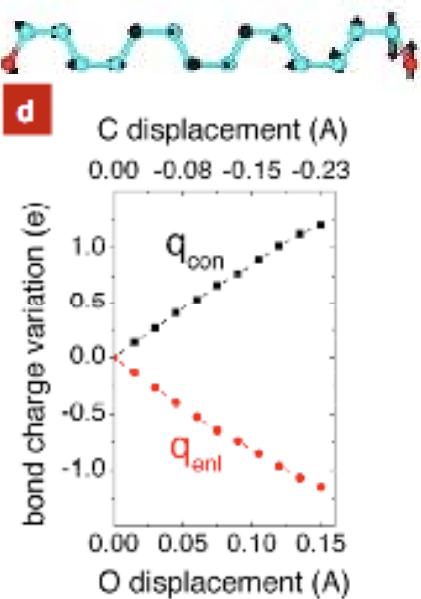
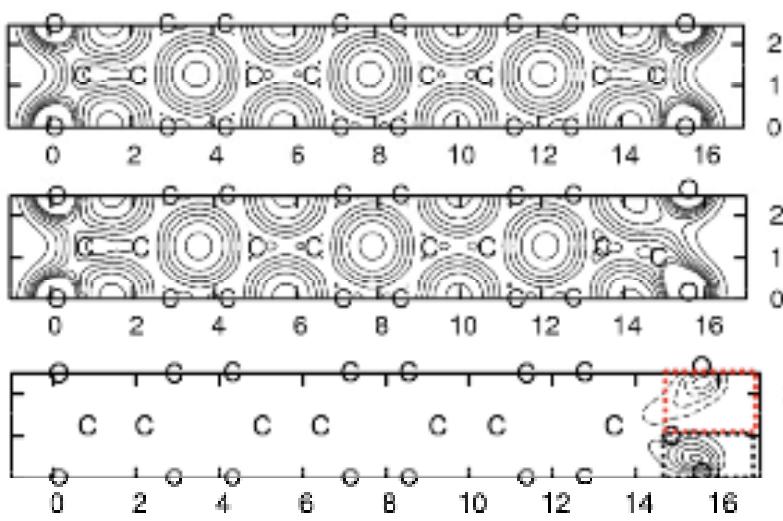
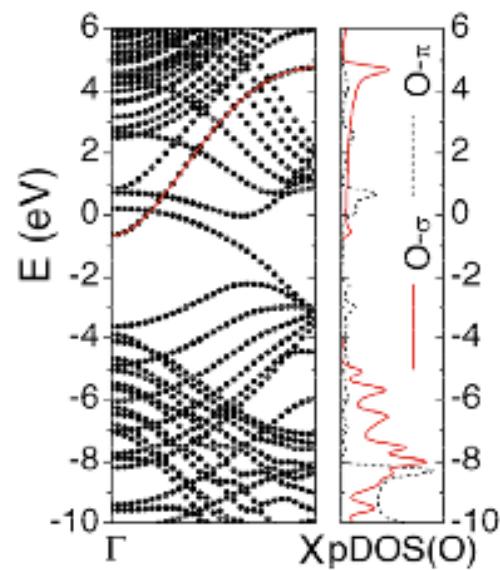
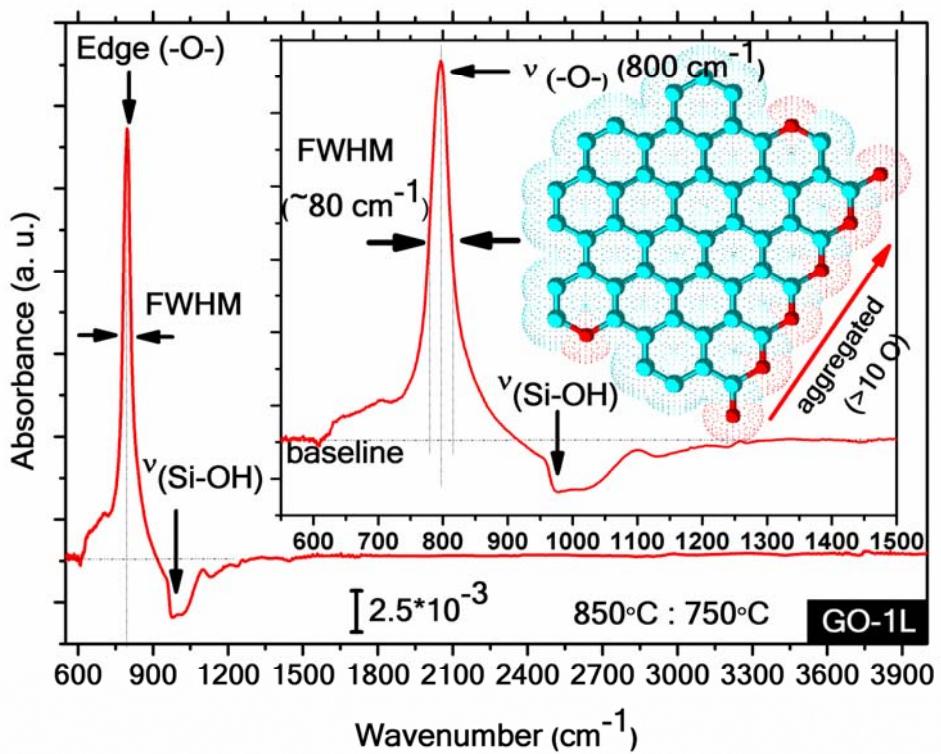
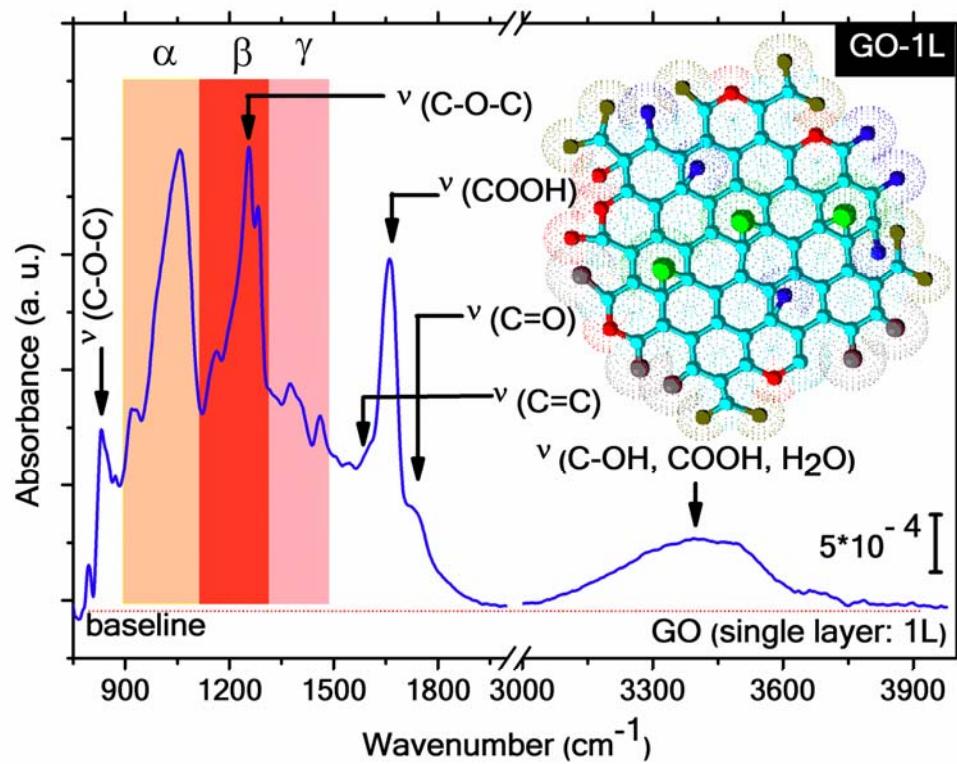
Hydroxyl - Epoxy interplay lead to...

Oxygen functional groups and carbon arrangements after annealing



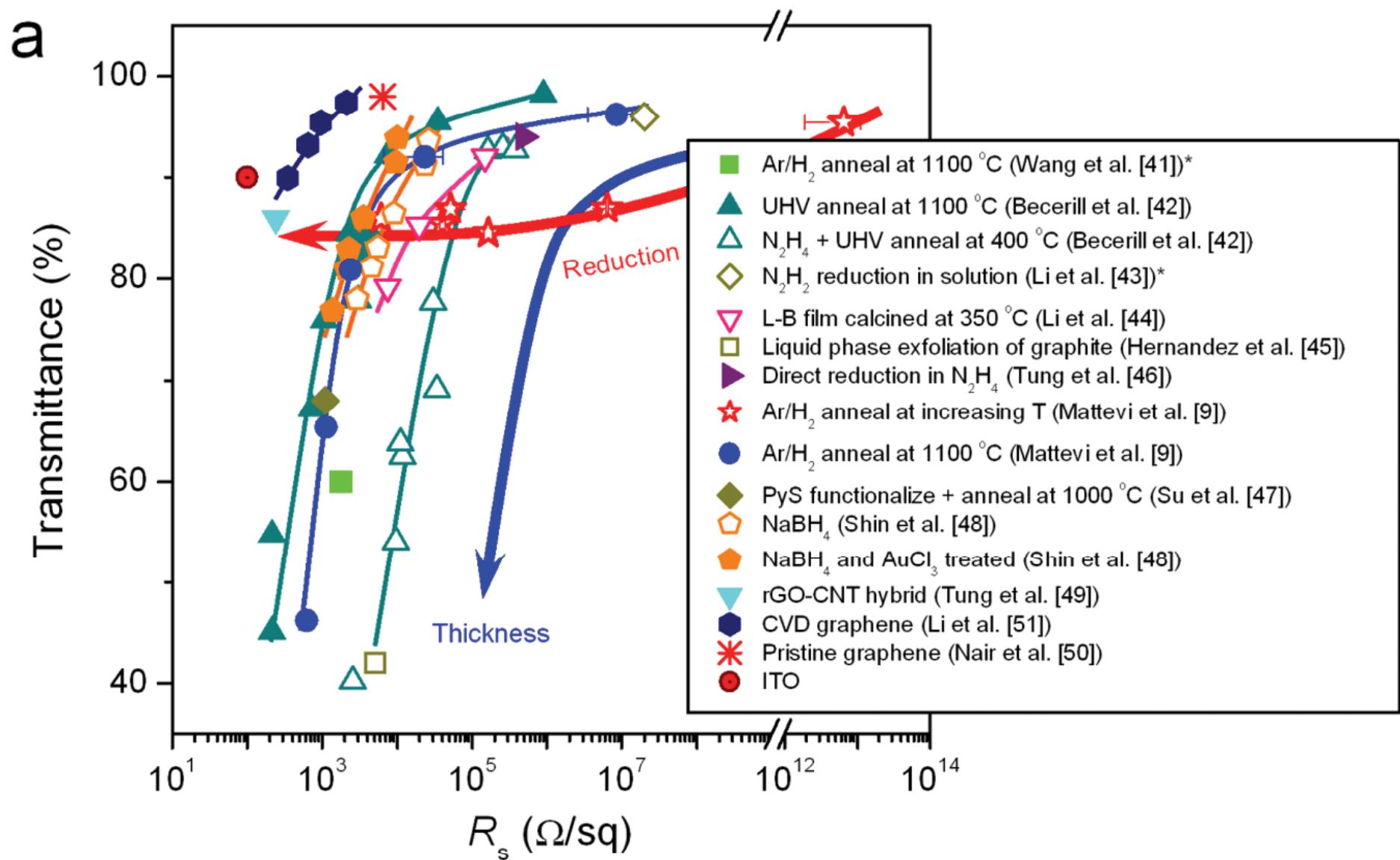
(a) pair of carbonyls, (b) carbon chain, (c) pyran, (d) furan, (e) pyrone, (f) 1,2-quinone, (g) 1,4-quinone, (h) carbon pentagon, (i) carbon triangle, (j) phenol. Carbon, oxygen and hydrogen atoms are color-coded as gray, red and white, respectively.

Giant IR Effects in rGO



In collaboration with Muge Acik and Yves Chabal at UT – Dallas (Nature Materials, 9, 840 2010)

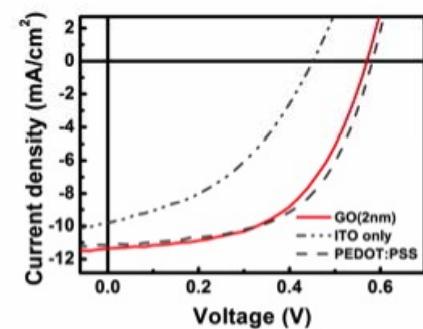
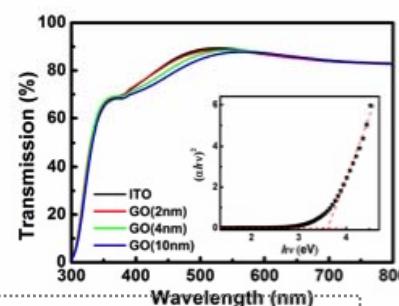
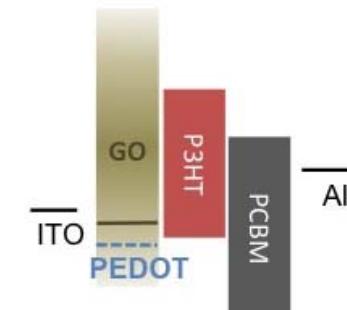
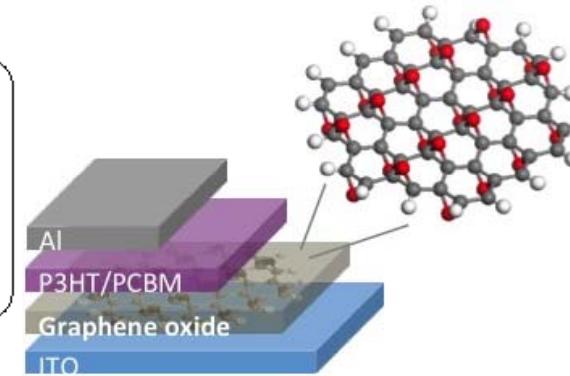
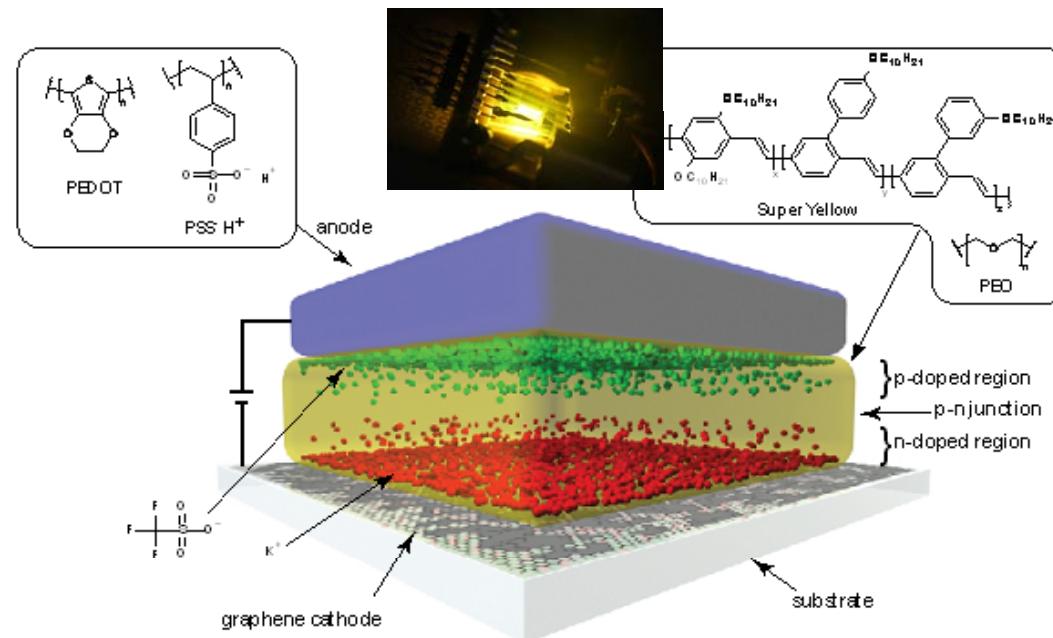
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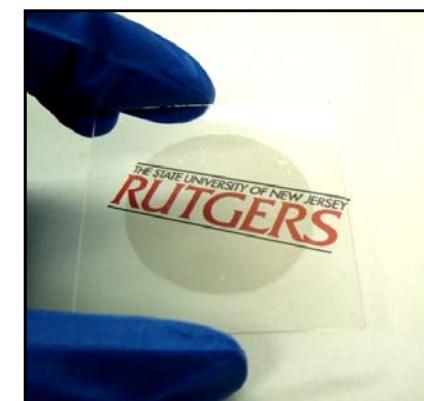
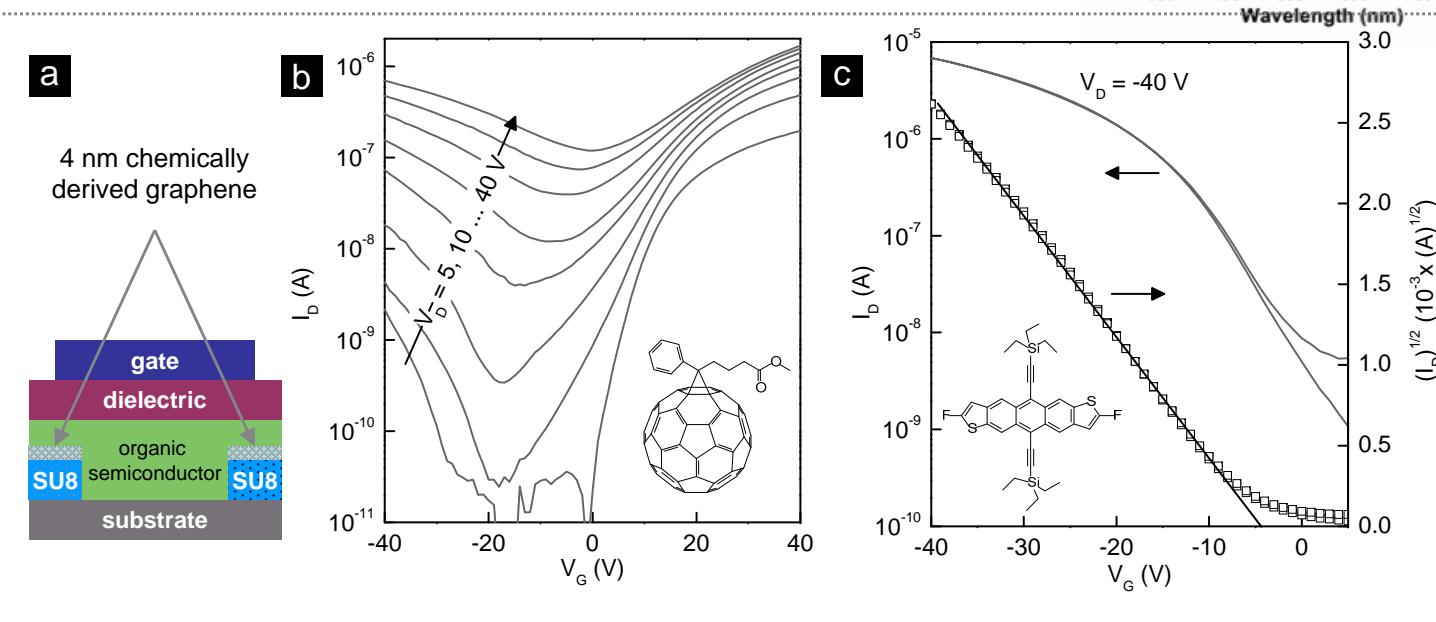
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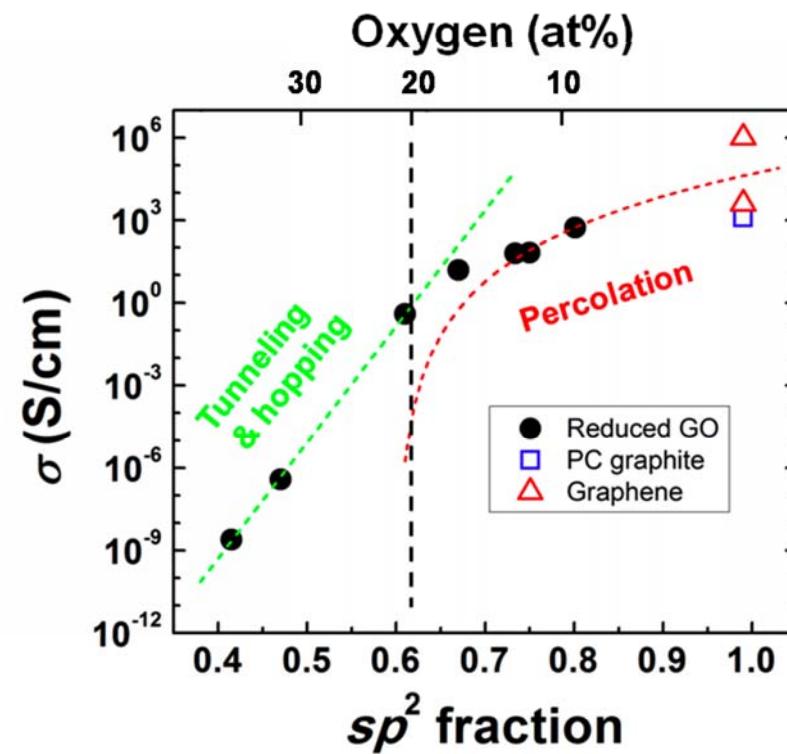
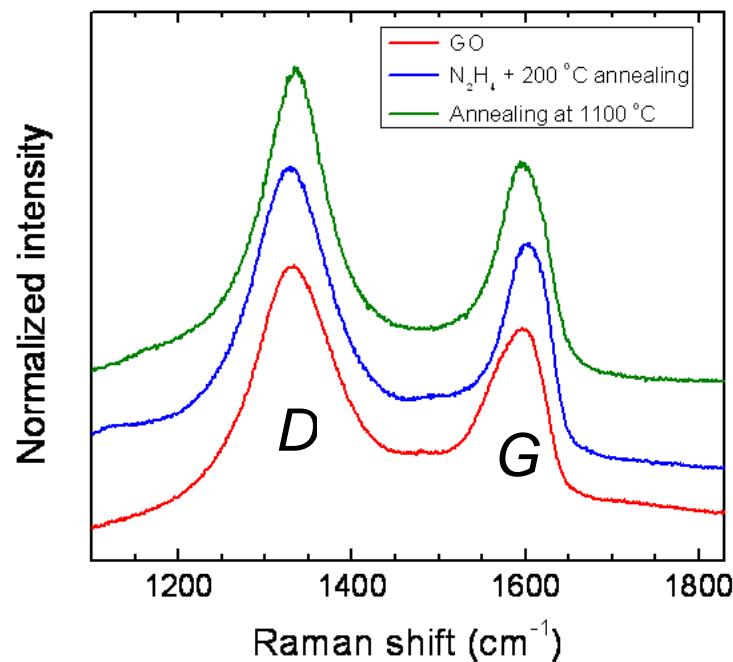
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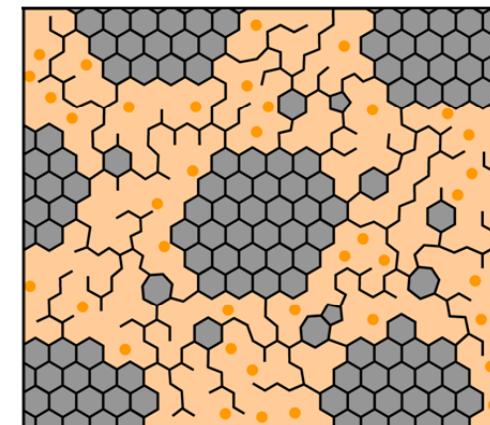
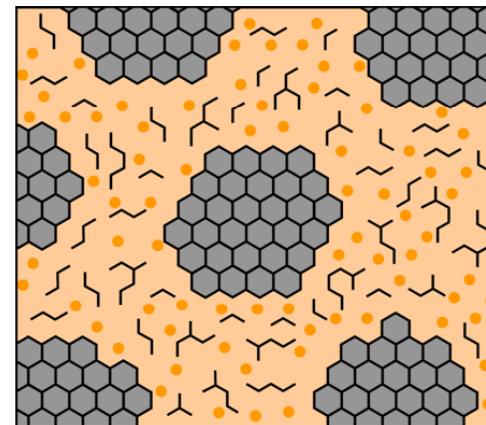
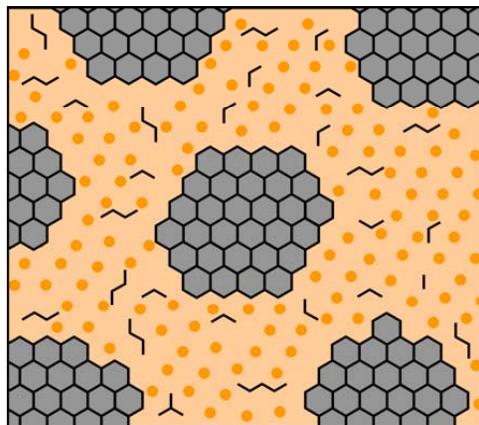
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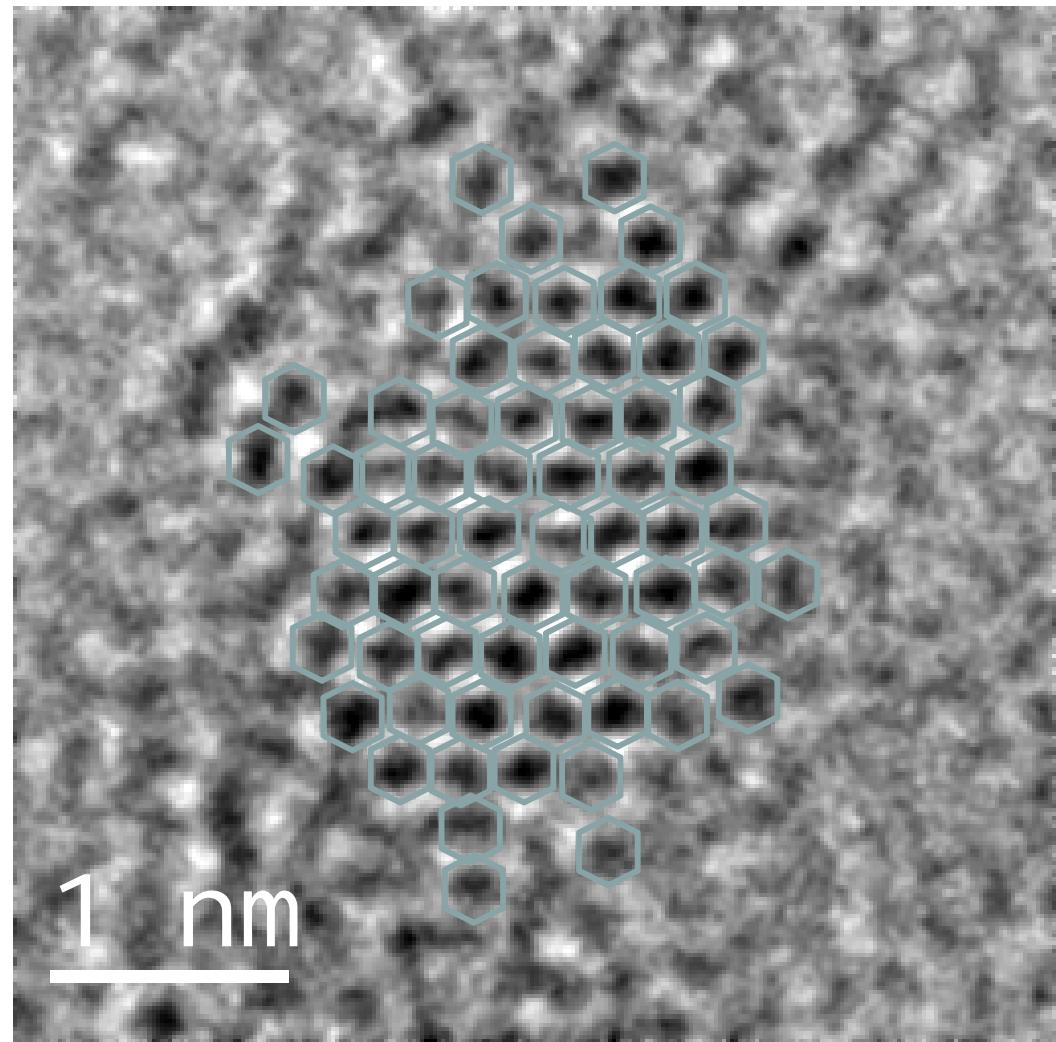
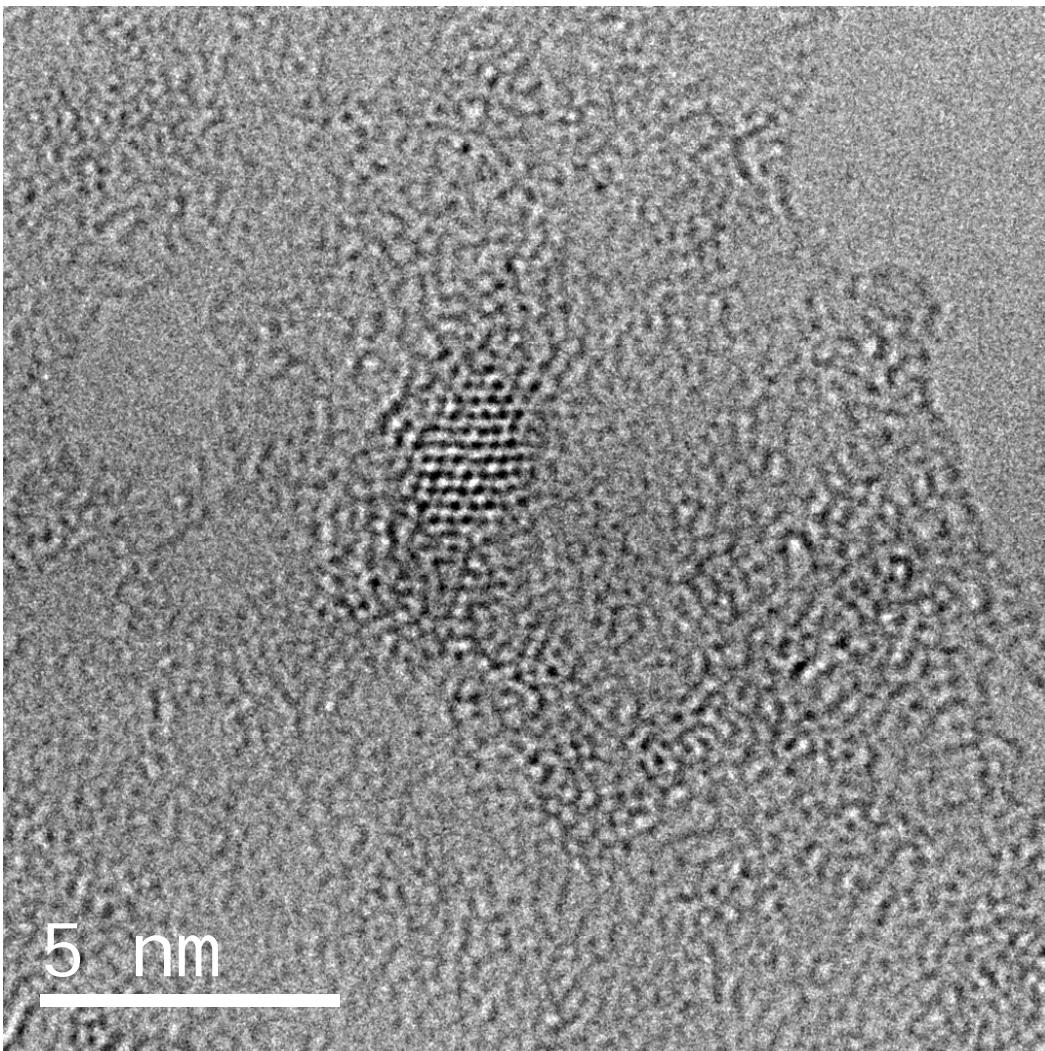


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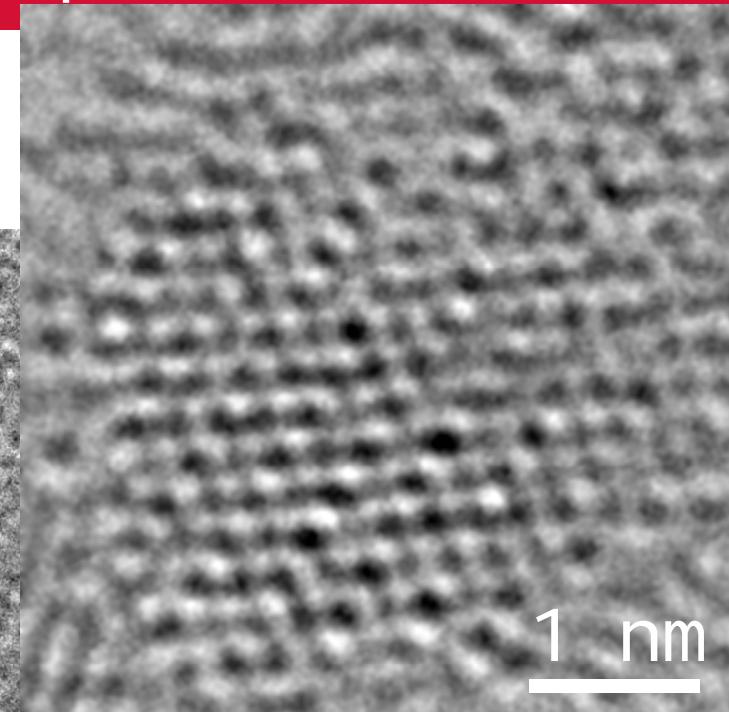
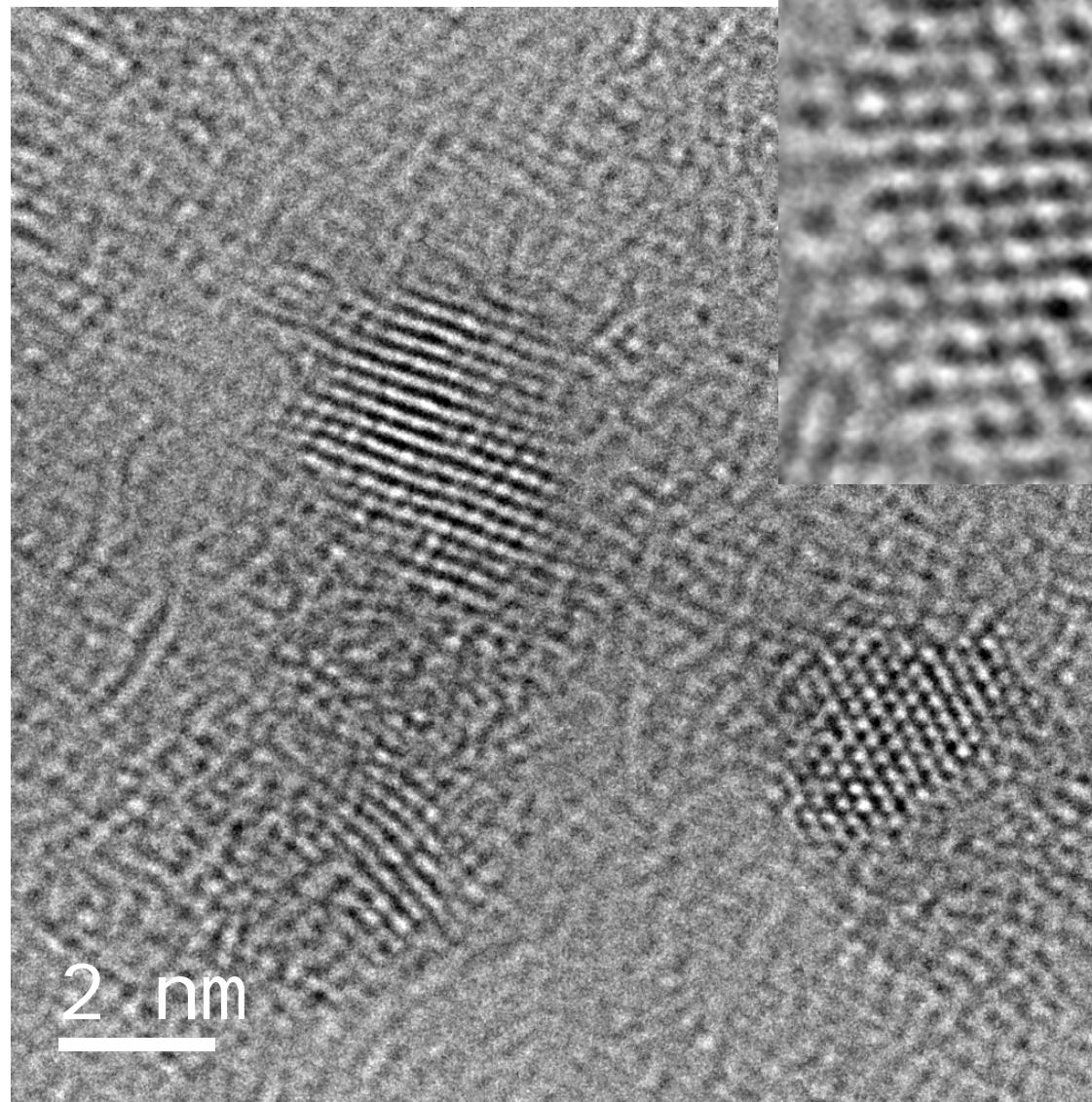
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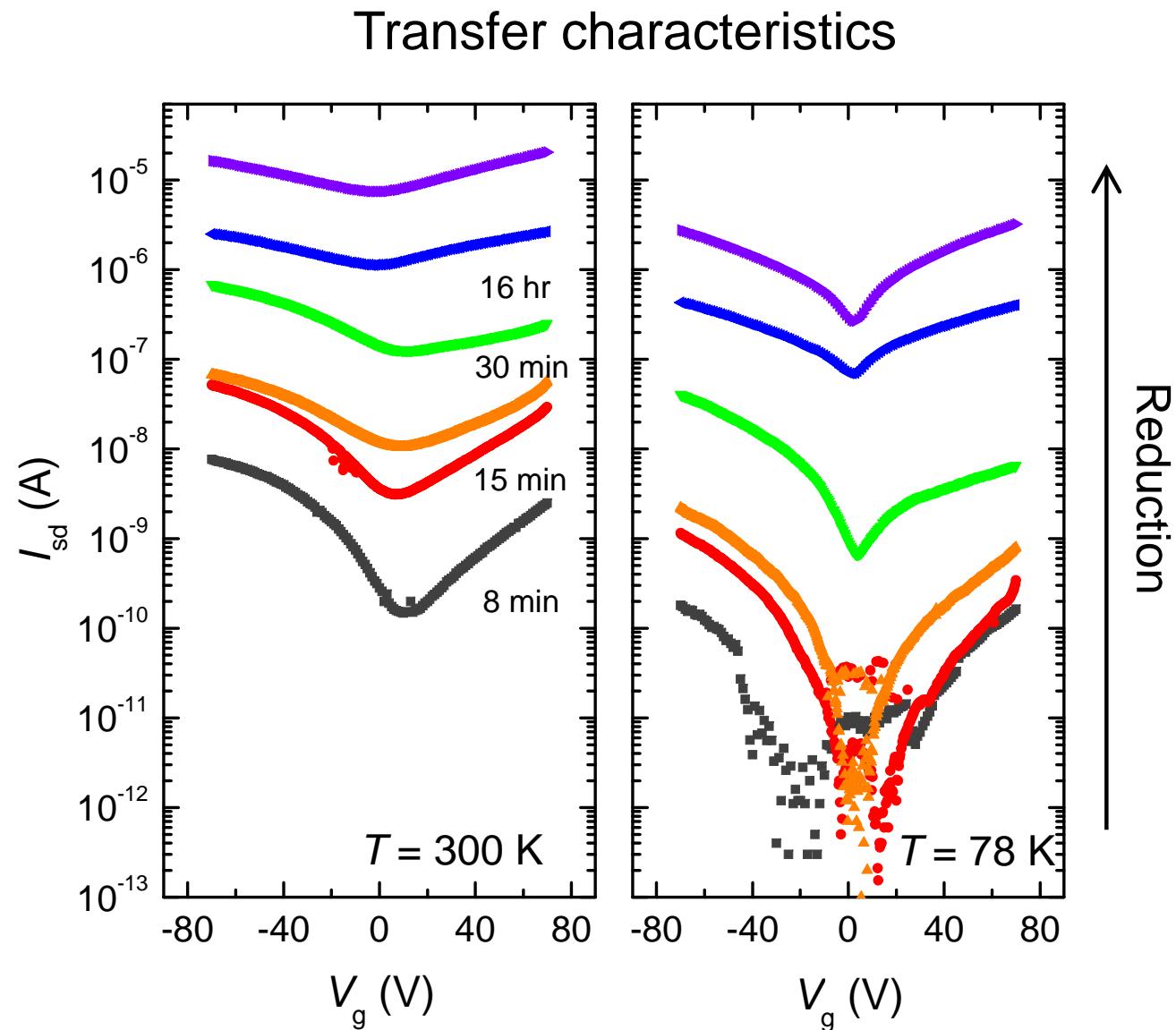
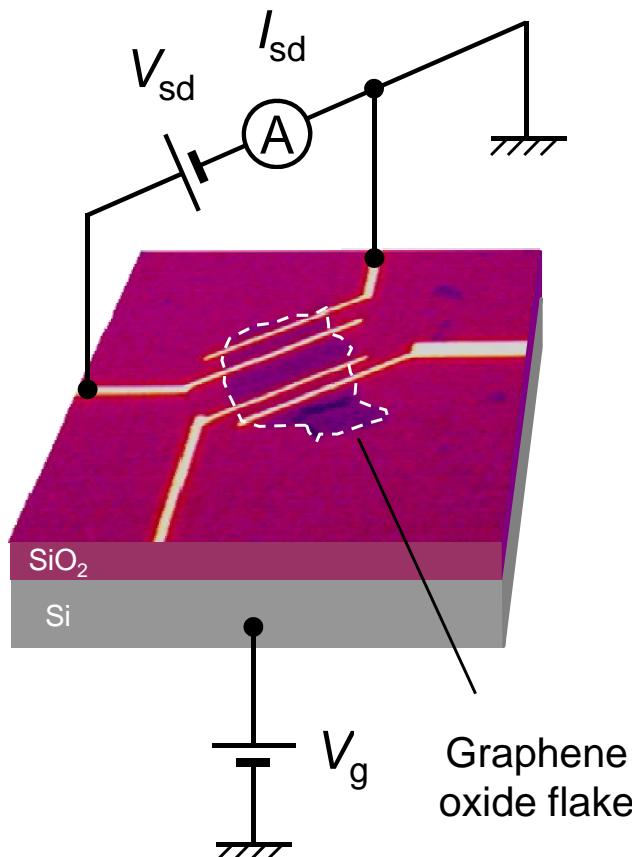
After mild-reduction



1 nm

2 nm

Progressive reduction



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Carrier transport via hopping

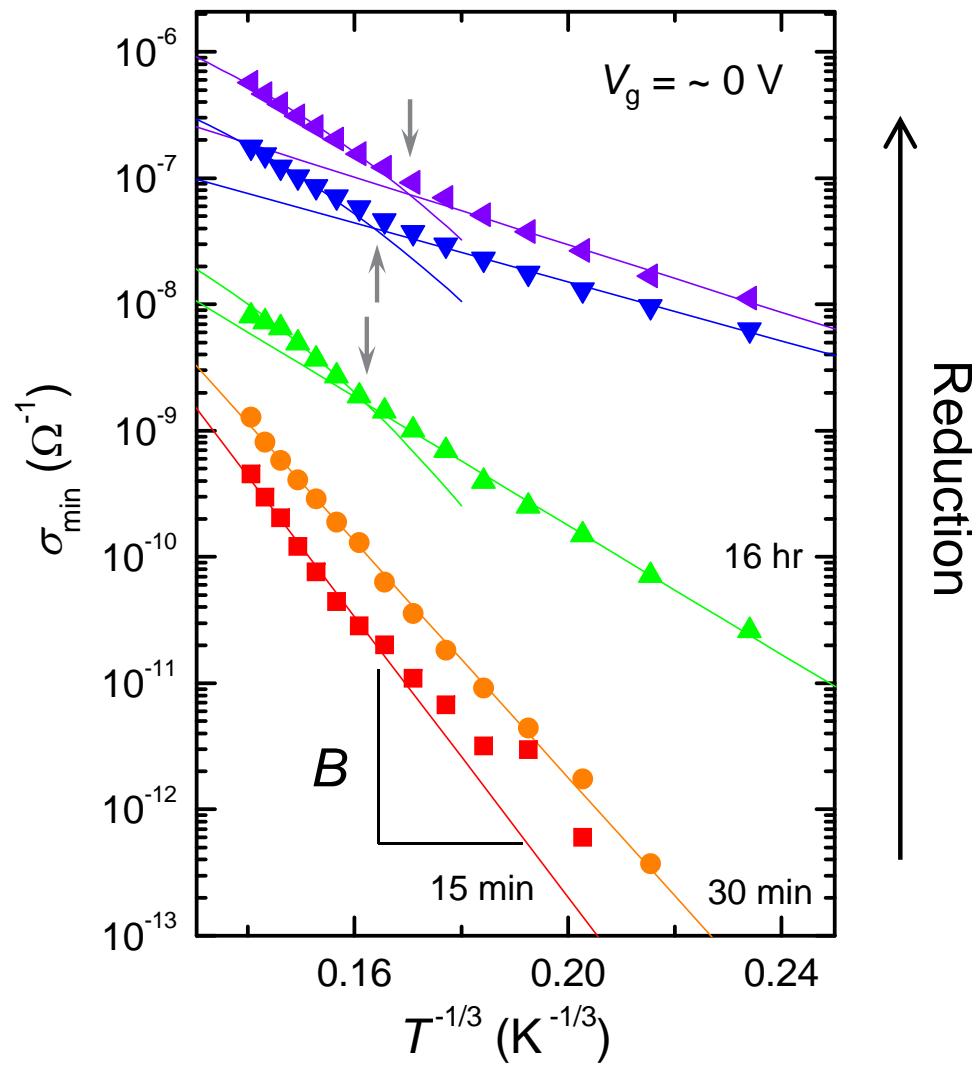
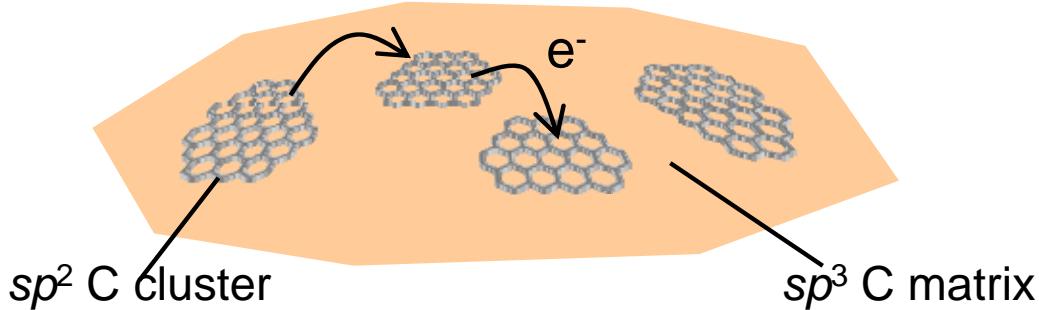
In 2D system, VRH is described by:

$$\sigma = A \exp\left(-\frac{B}{T^{1/3}}\right)$$

$$A = \frac{eR_0^2\nu_{\text{ph}}}{k_B}$$

$$B = \left(\frac{3}{N(E_F)L_l^2 k_B} \right)^{1/3}$$

DOS at E_F Localization length

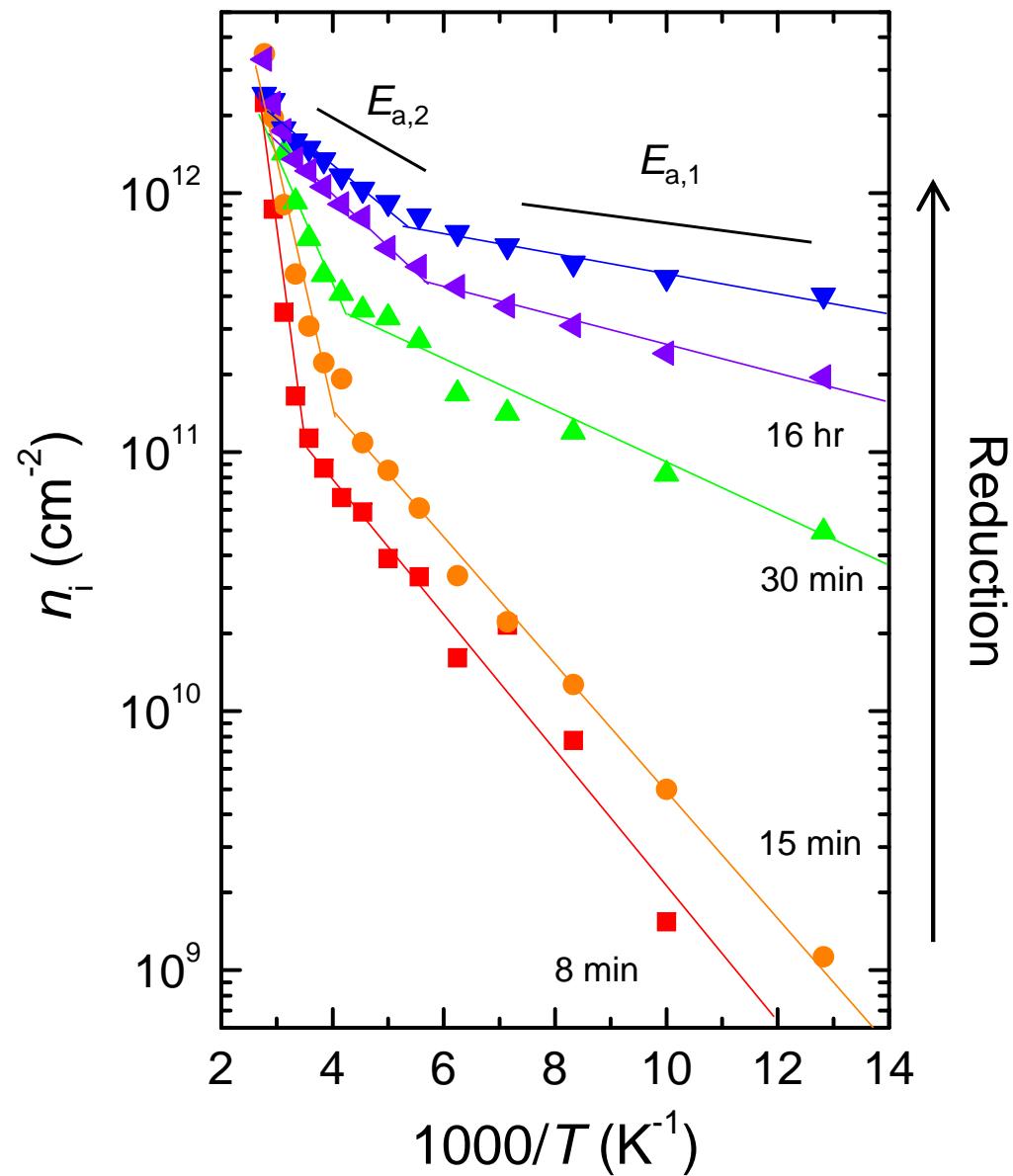
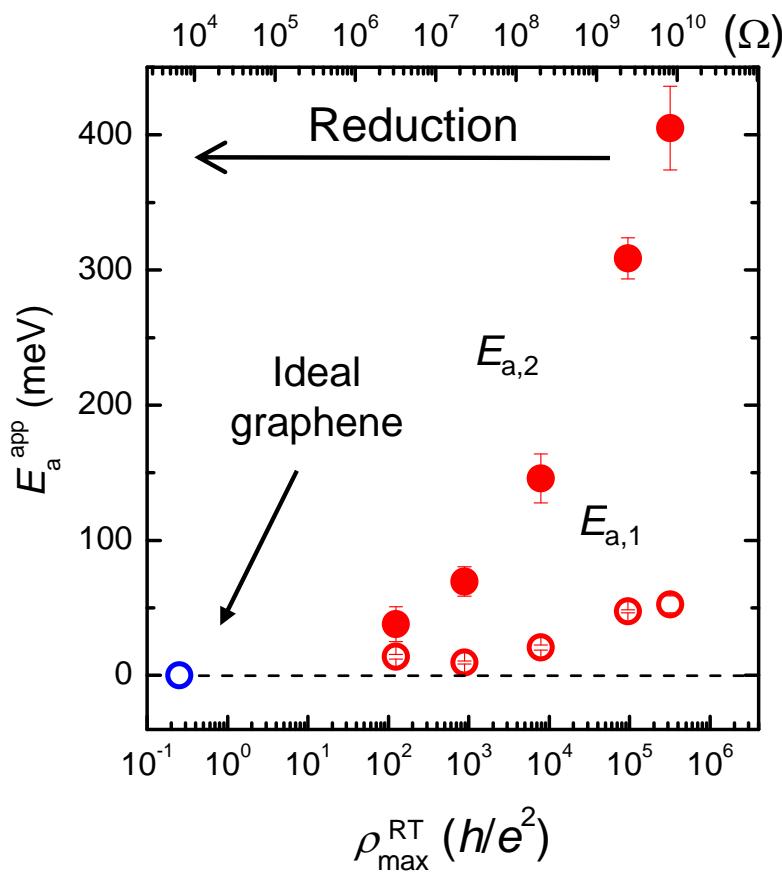


Apparent band gap of reduced GO

At the charge neutrality point,

$$n_e = n_h = n_i$$

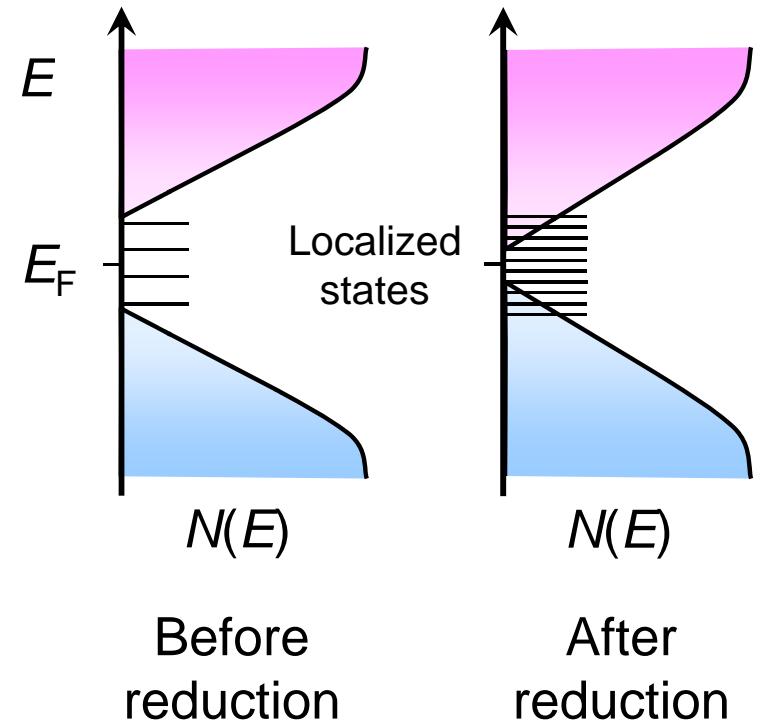
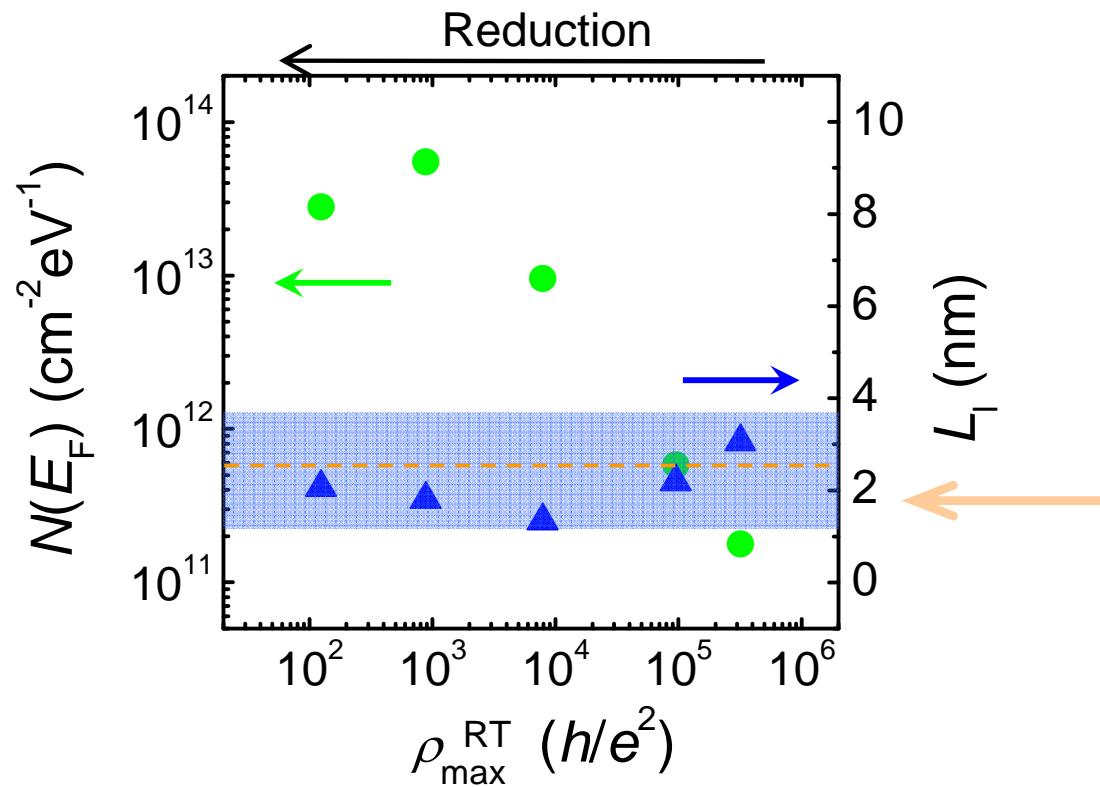
$$\sigma_{\min} = e n_i (\mu_e + \mu_h)$$



Evolution of the electronic structure

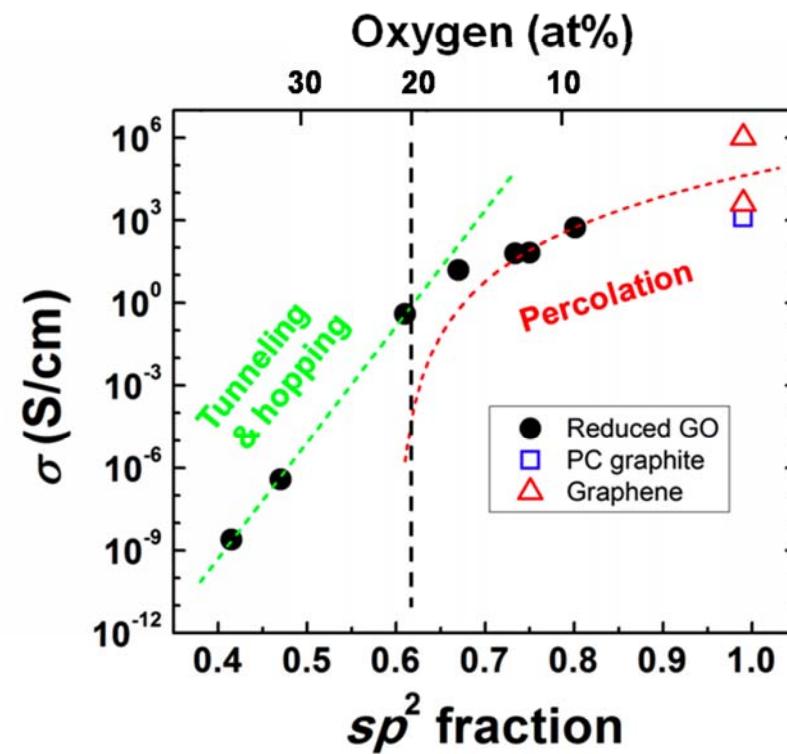
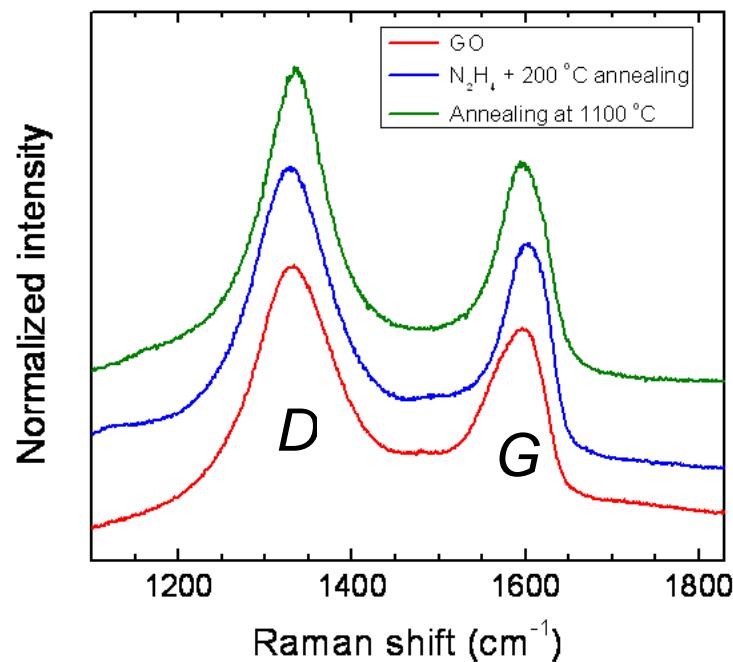
At low T, $\frac{\partial n_i}{\partial T} = N(E_F)k_B$

$$B = \left(\frac{3}{N(E_F)L_l^2 k_B} \right)^{1/3} \rightarrow \text{Obtain } N(E_F) \text{ and } L_l$$

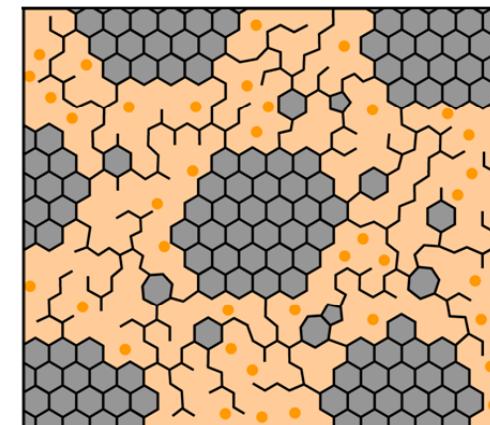
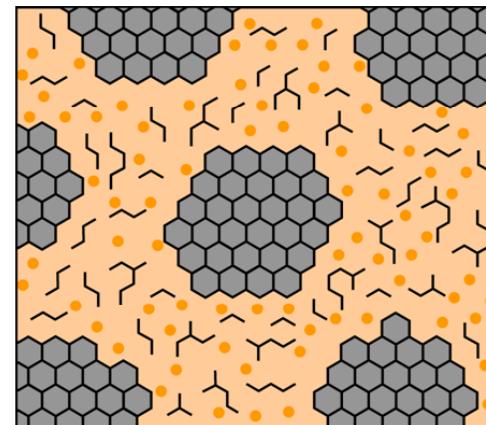
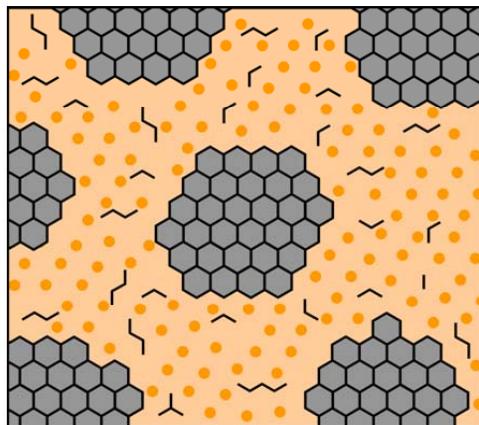


Coherence length (sp² cluster size) estimated from Raman analysis.

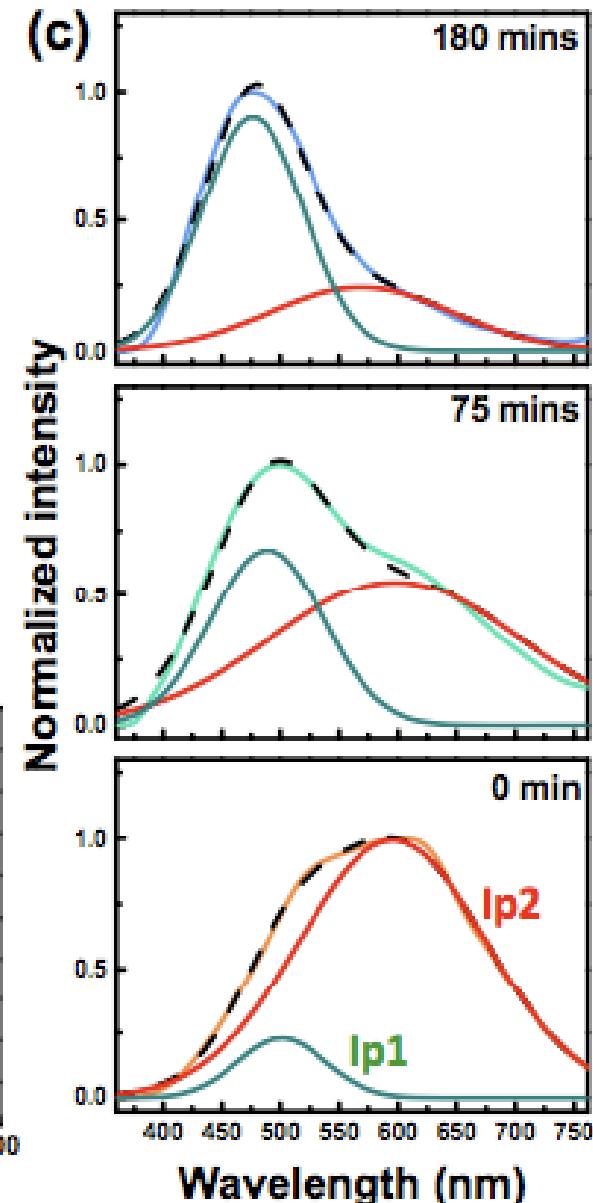
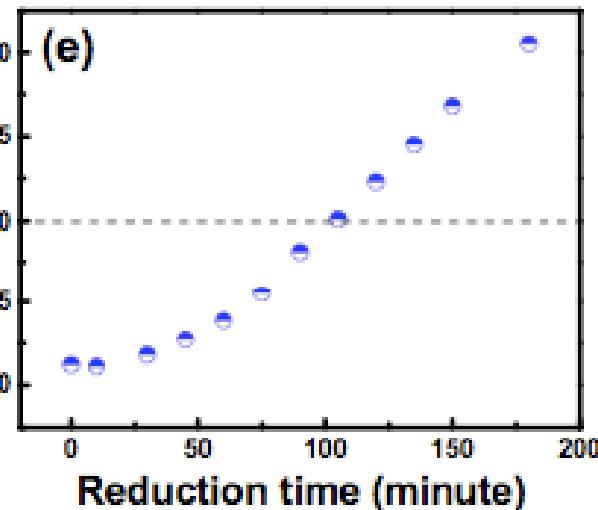
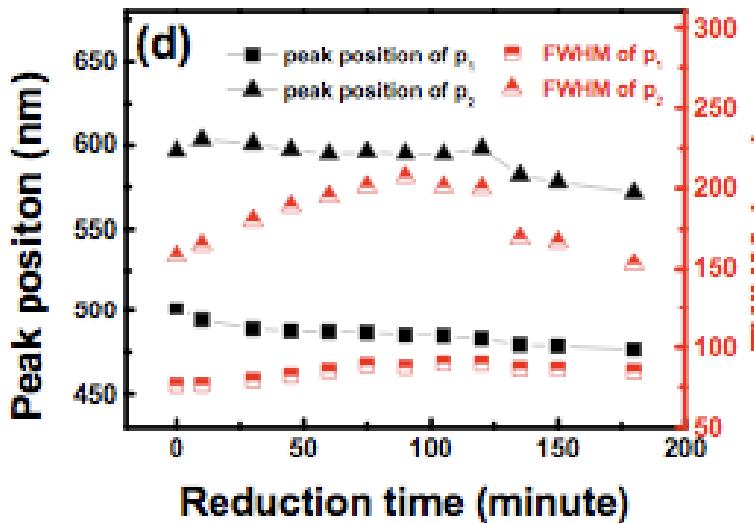
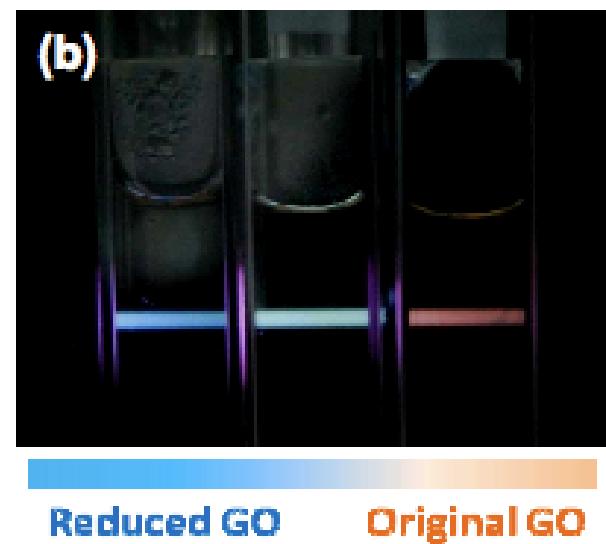
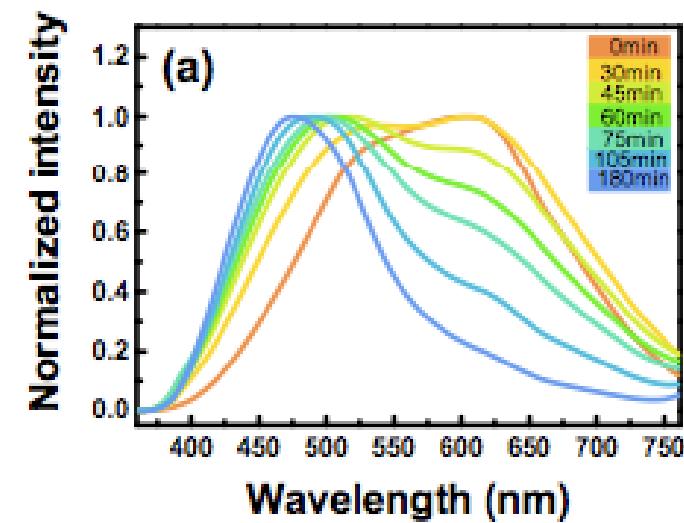
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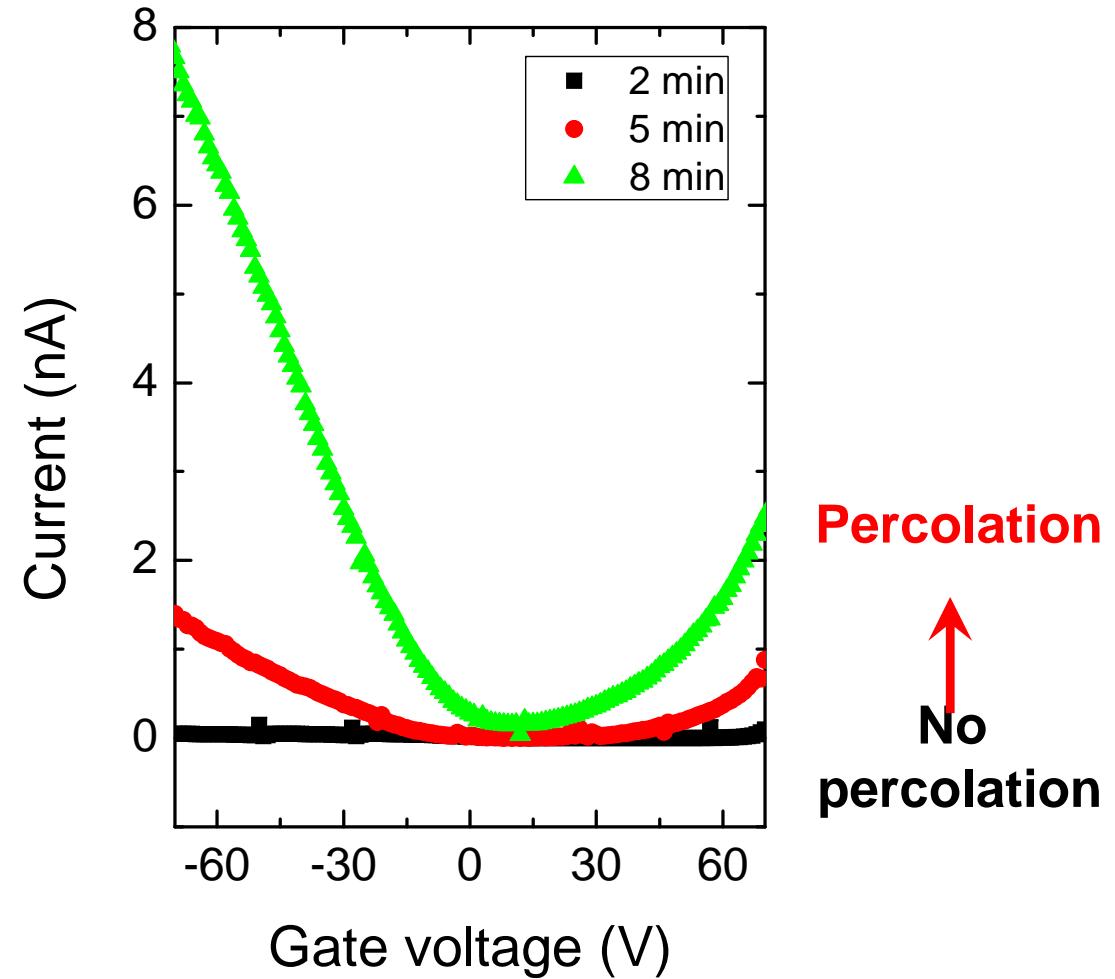
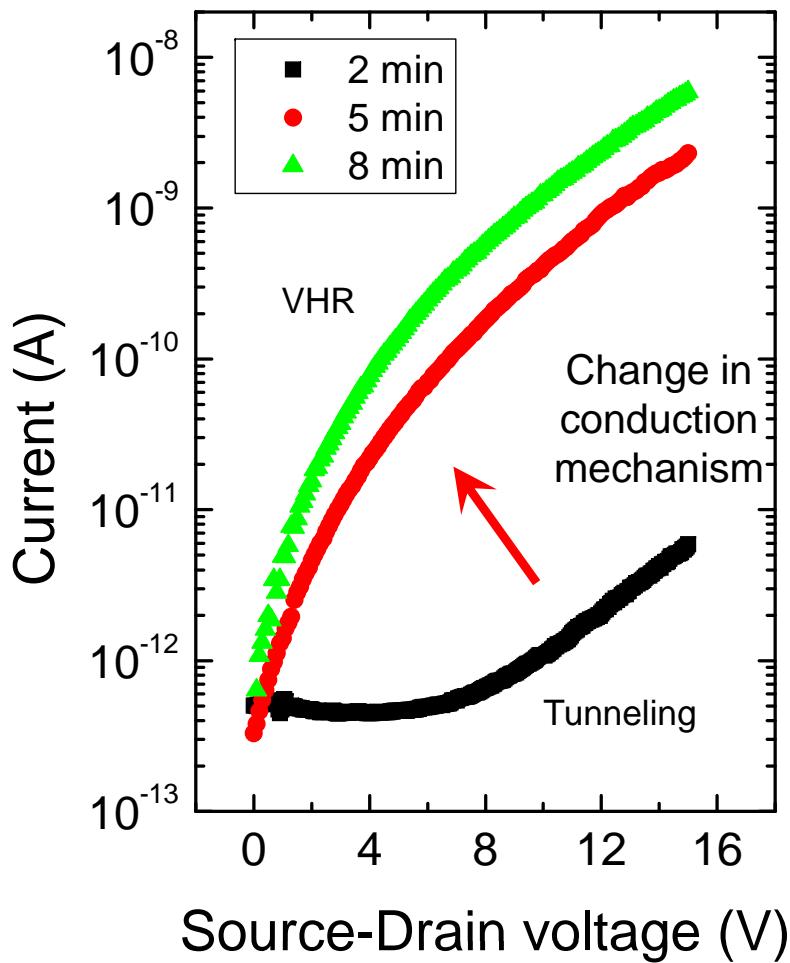
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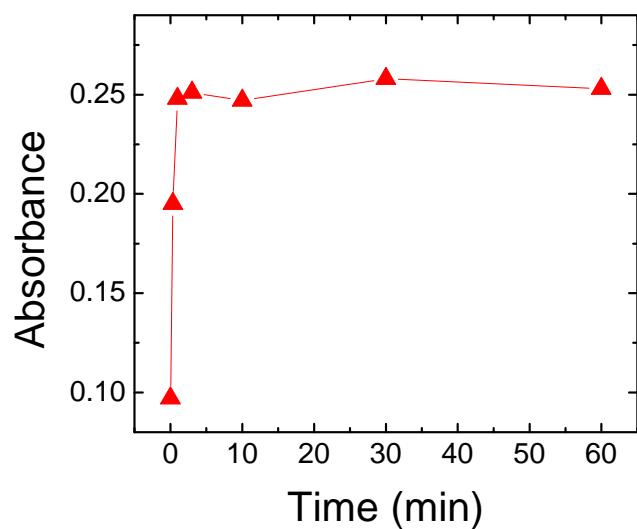
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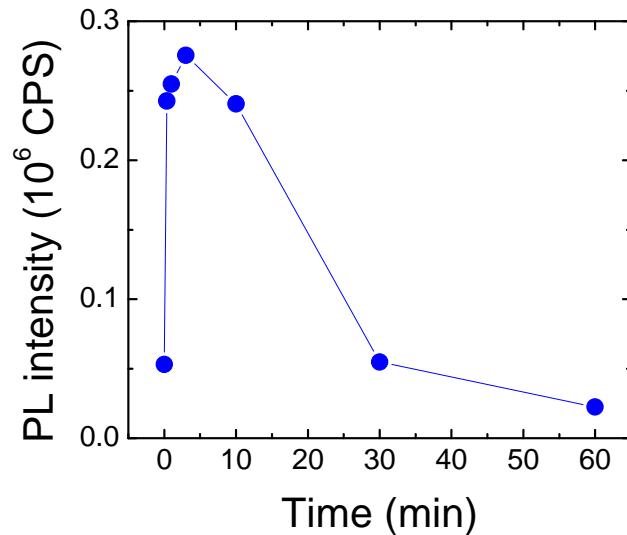
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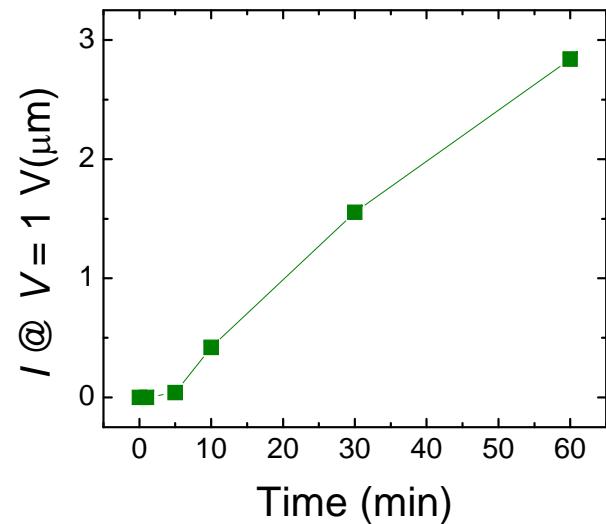
Optical and electrical property correlation



Absorbance



PL intensity



Conductivity

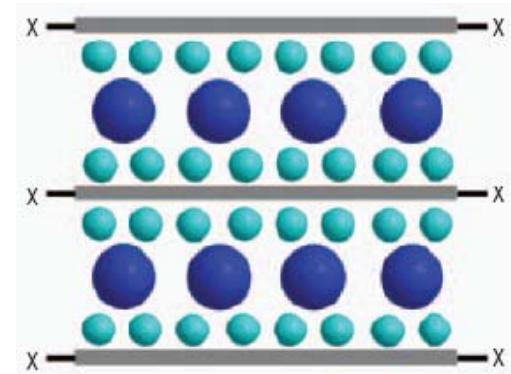
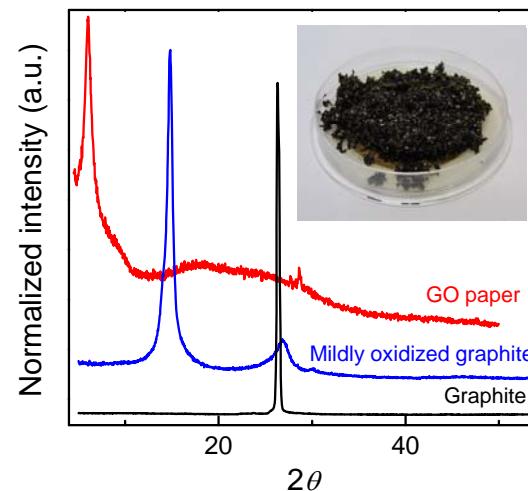
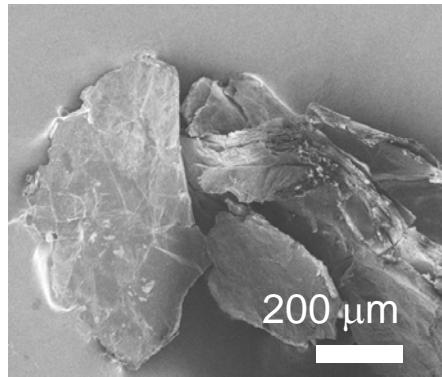


The sp^2 phase of GO becomes percolating after ~ 10 min of exposure to hydrazine

Mild oxidation, intercalation, and exfoliation of graphite

Brodie's method

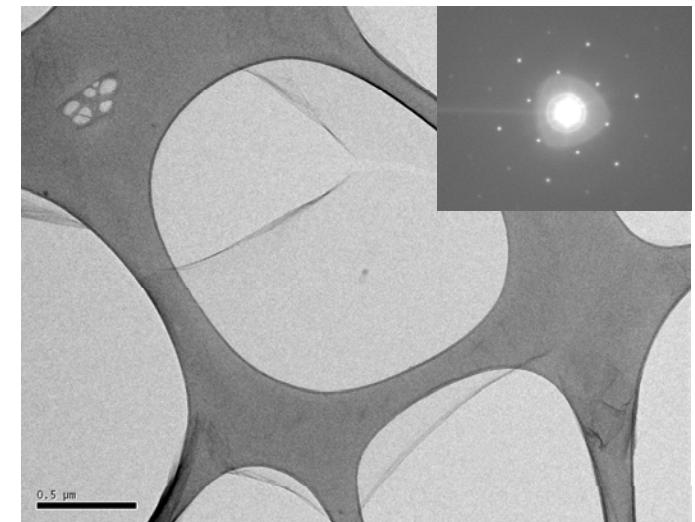
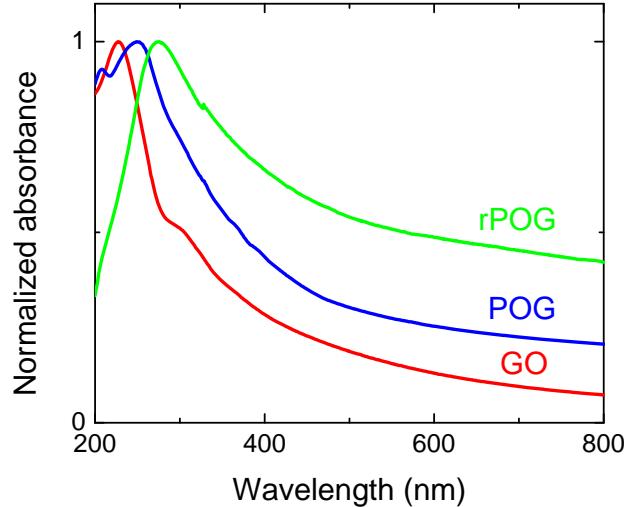
Graphite + HNO_3 + KClO_4



Li et al. Nature Nanotech. (2008)

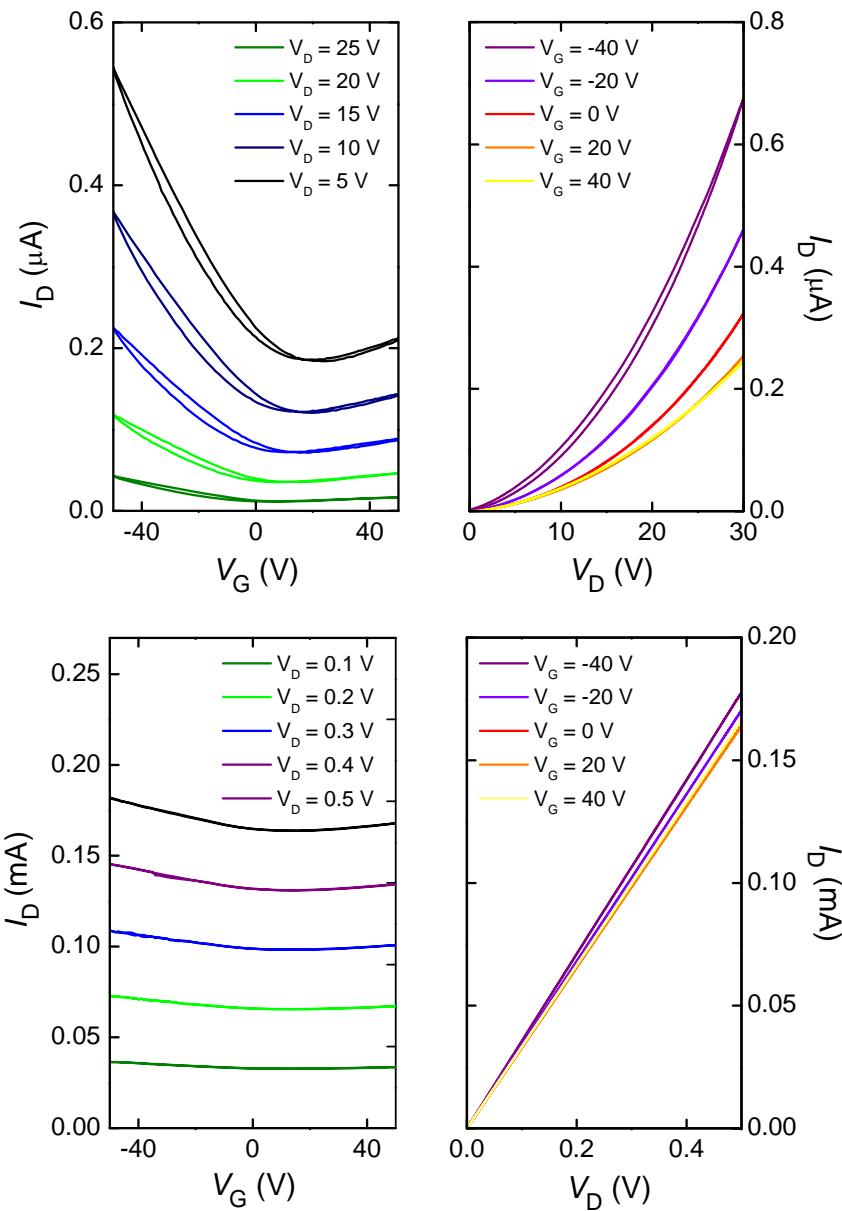


GO POG
(Partially oxidized
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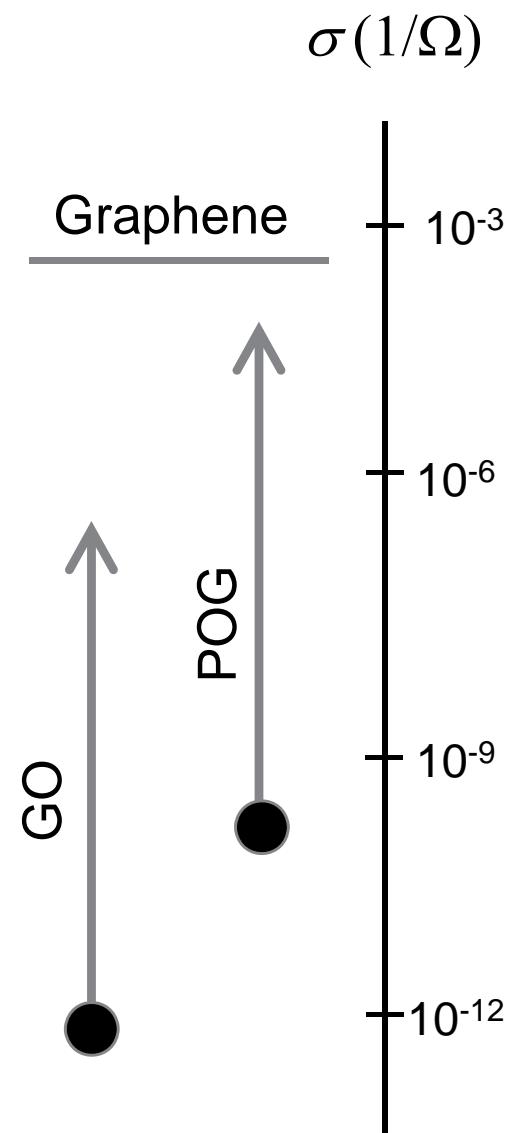


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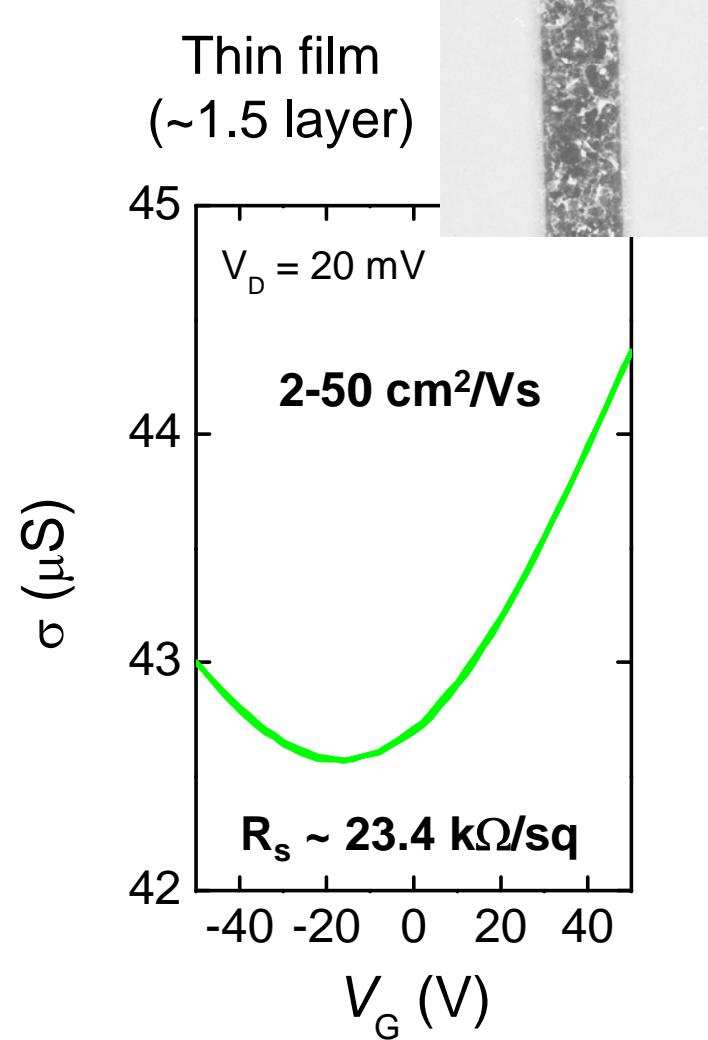
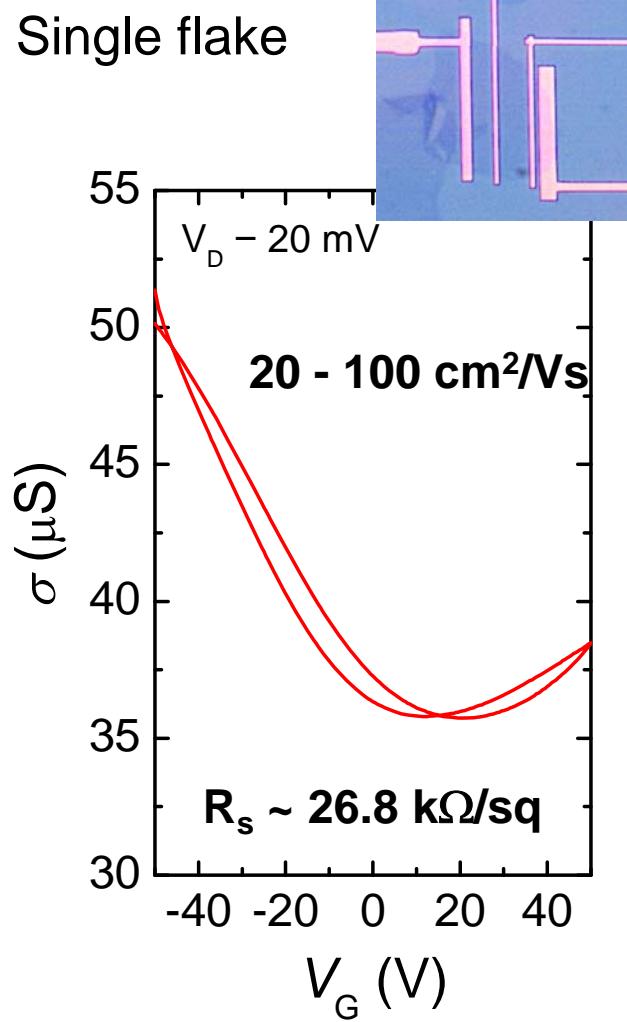
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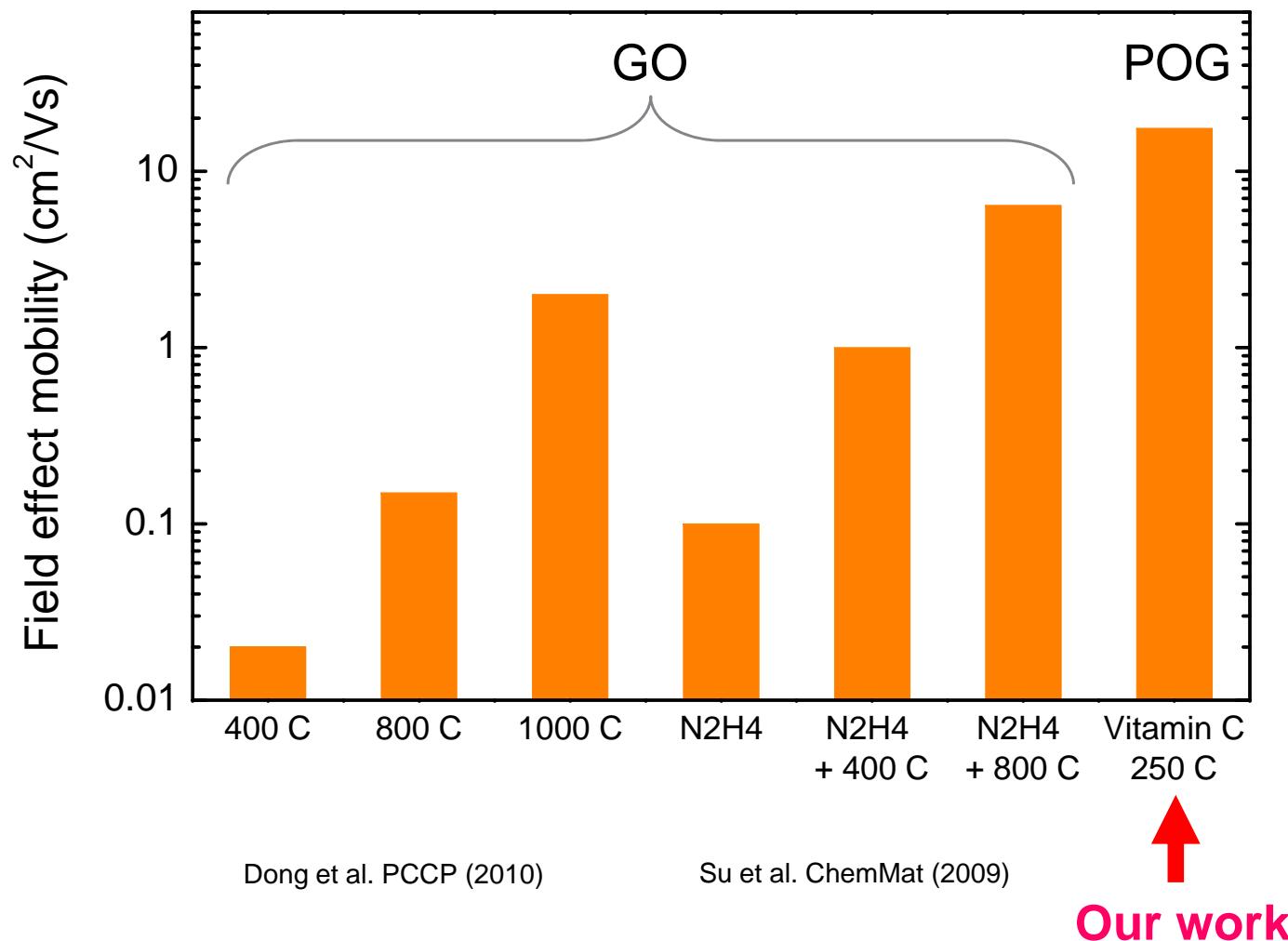
Reduced POG



Single flake vs “poly-flake” thin film

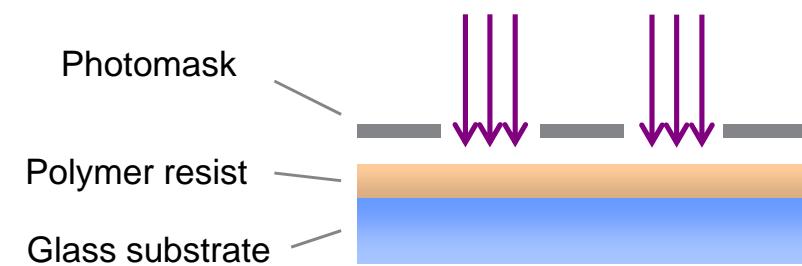


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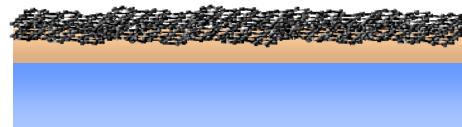


Patterning of graphene films

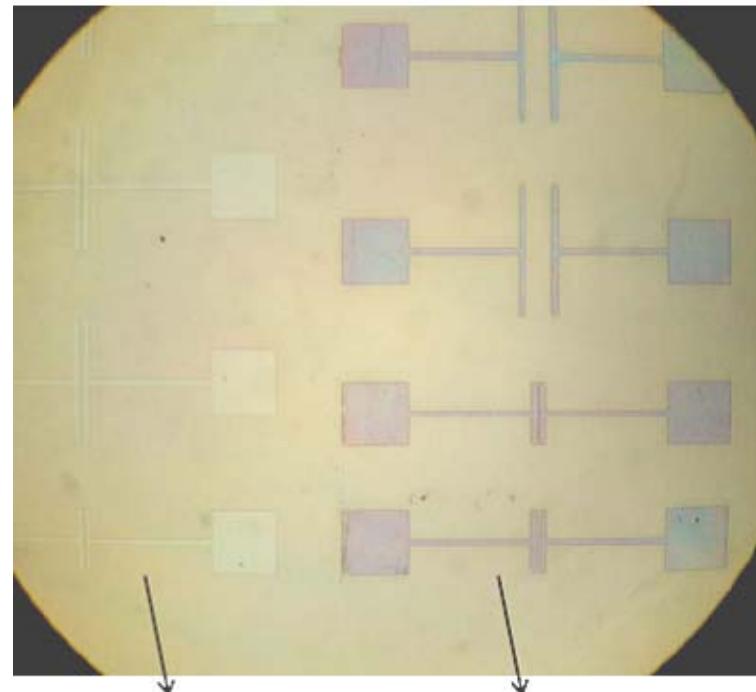
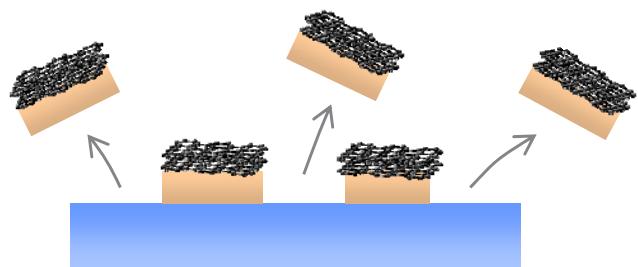
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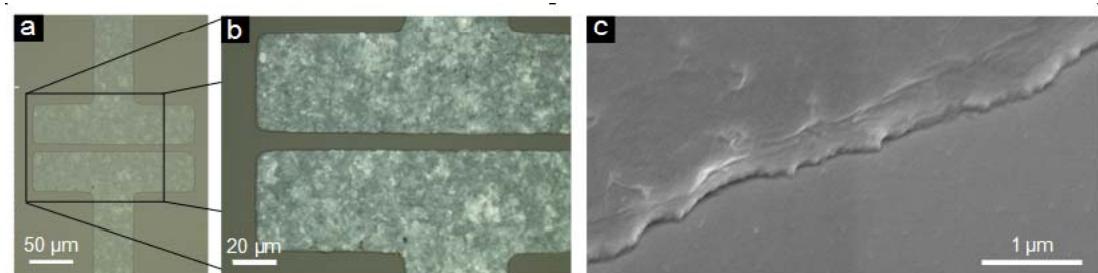


III. Develop resist/lift-off

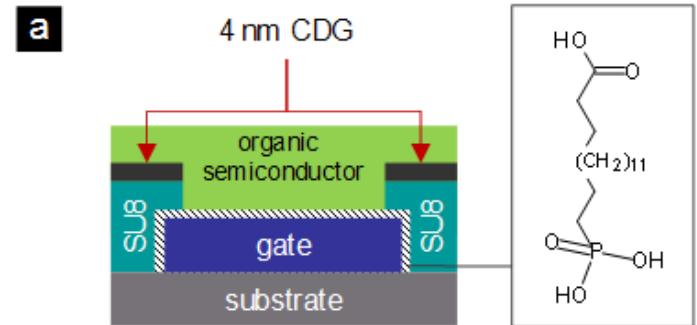
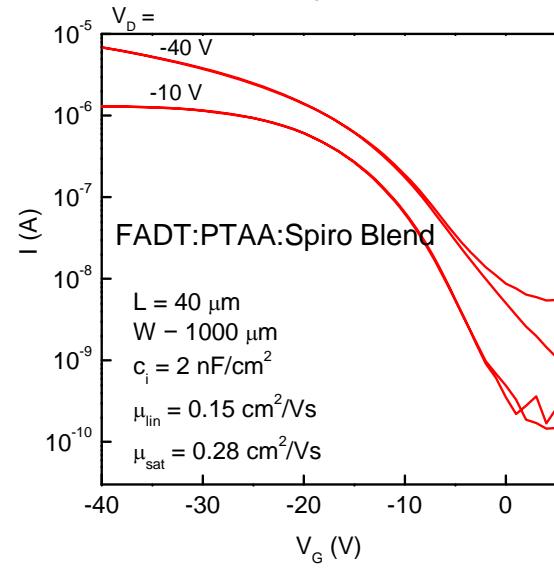
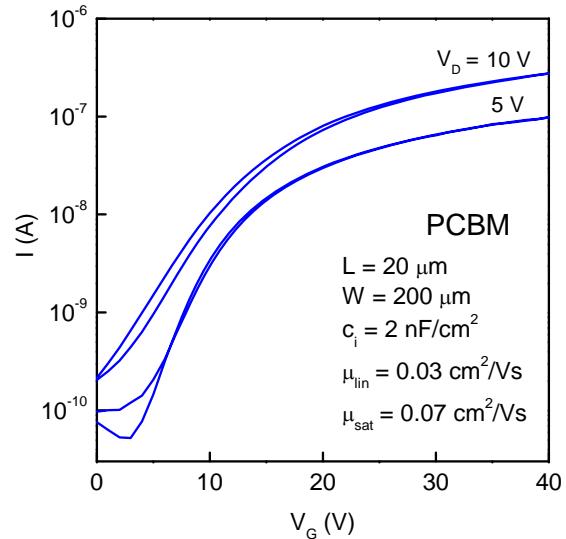
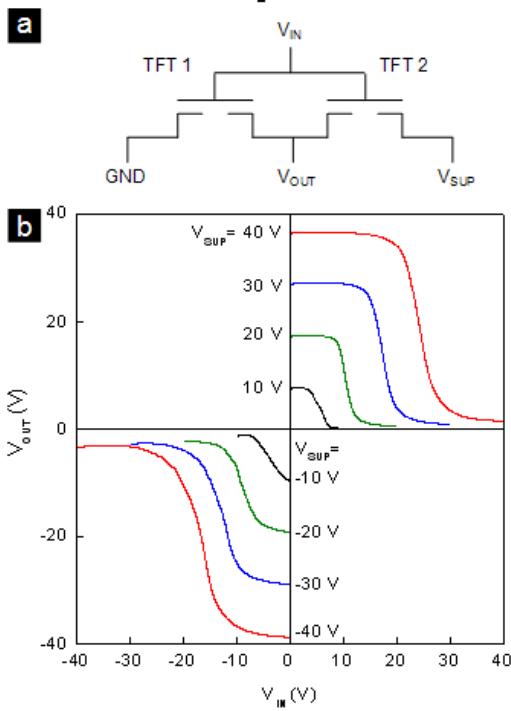
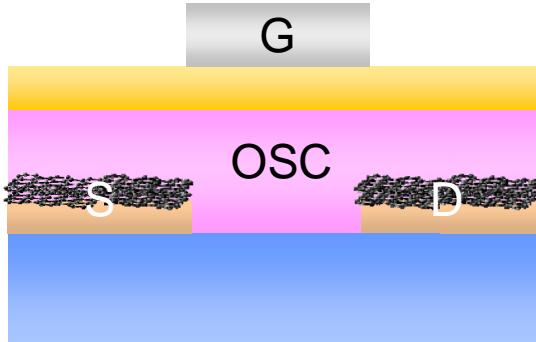


Patterned SU 8 only
without graphene

Patterned graphene
on SU 8



OTFT with graphene electrodes



Conclusions

- Graphene oxide is an interesting and chemically versatile material that allows for obtaining tunable optical and electrical properties.
- The opto-electronic properties of GO is largely determined by sp^2 phase present as nanometer clusters and smaller molecular configurations
- Electrical conduction in reduced GO occurs via tunneling or hopping of carriers among the sp^2 phase.
- Reduction does not lead to growth of the sp^2 clusters but to increased concentration. Hopping transport is thus facilitated with reduction.

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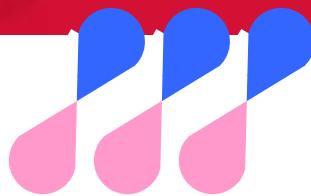
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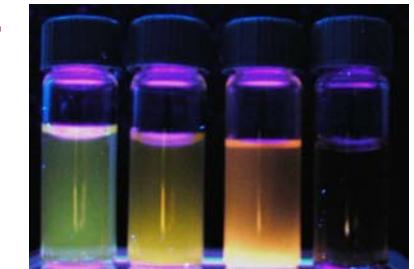
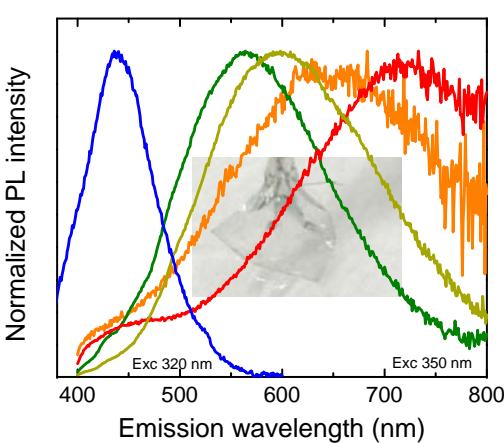
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