

Cutting-Edge Nanomaterials for Energy: Solar Cell • Li⁺ Battery

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Humanity's Top Ten Problems for the Next 50 Years

1. ENERGY

2. WATER

3. FOOD

4. ENVIRONMENT

5. POVERTY

6. TERRORISM & WAR

7. DISEASE

8. EDUCATION

9. DEMOCRACY

10. POPULATION

Prof. R. E. Smalley (1943 – 2005)



2003 6.5 Billion People

2050 8-10 Billion People

Nanoscale Control: Nanomaterials for Energy



Water Pumping



Lighting Systems



Electric Vehicles



Laptops & Cell Phones



Portable Devices



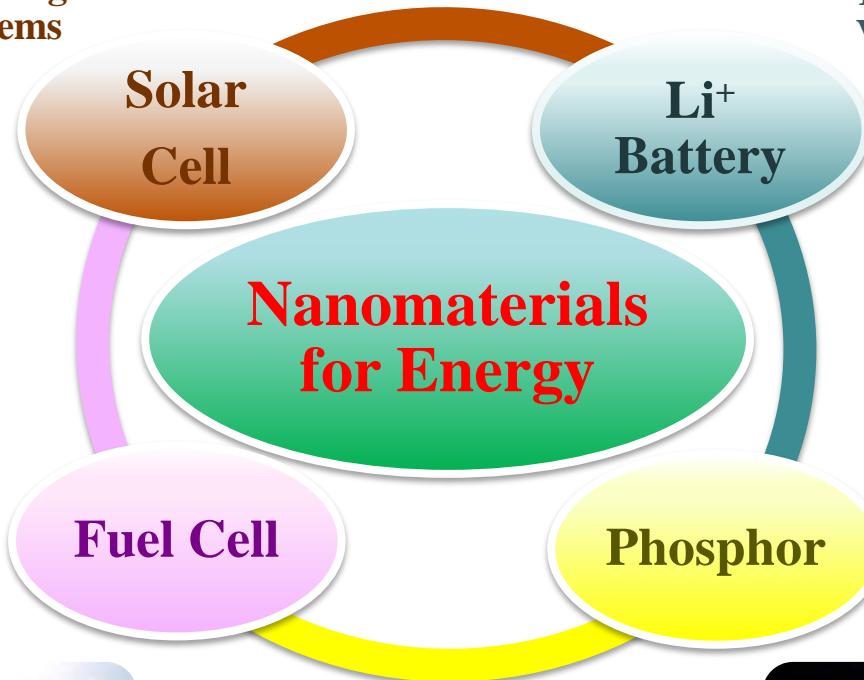
Transportation



Portable Power Supply



Less Polluting Power Generation



Quantum Dot LEDs



LCD TVs

THUNDERS

THERE MUST BE
A SOURCE OF ENERGY
DOWN THERE



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Semiconductor-Sensitized Solar Cells: from Quantum Dots to Quantum Rods



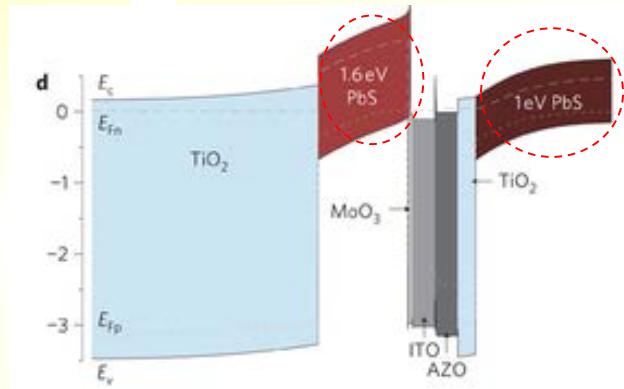
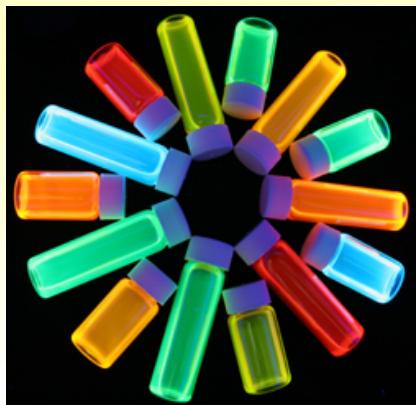
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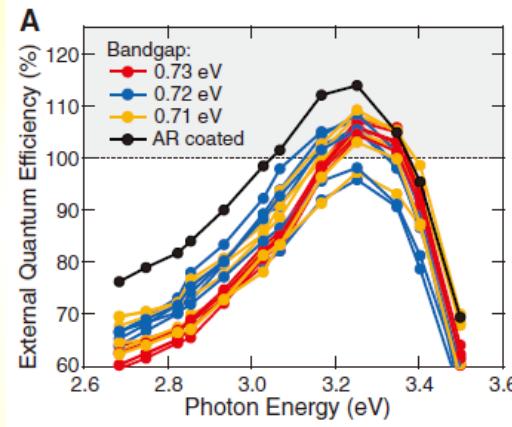
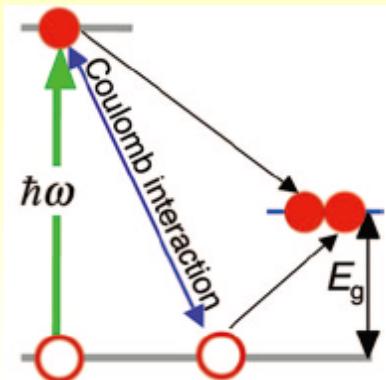
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Advantages of Quantum-Dot-Sensitized Solar Cells

나노입자 크기조절을 통한 광흡수 조절



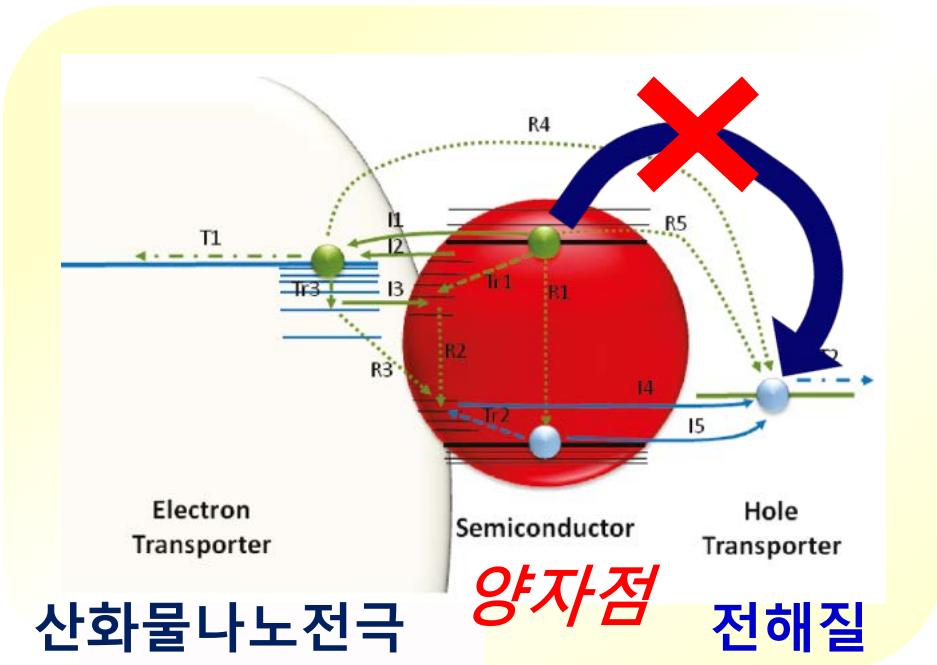
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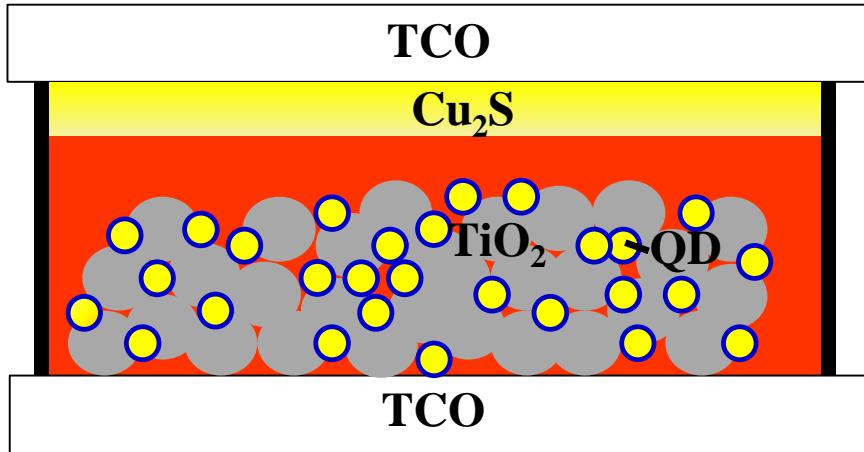
Nozik, *Science* (2011).

Suppression of Recombination: Coating of QD

양자점/전해질 계면처리



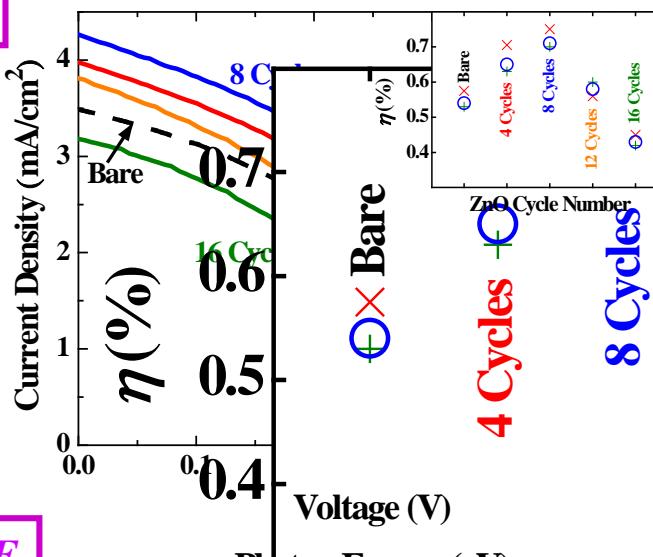
Core/Shell Structure



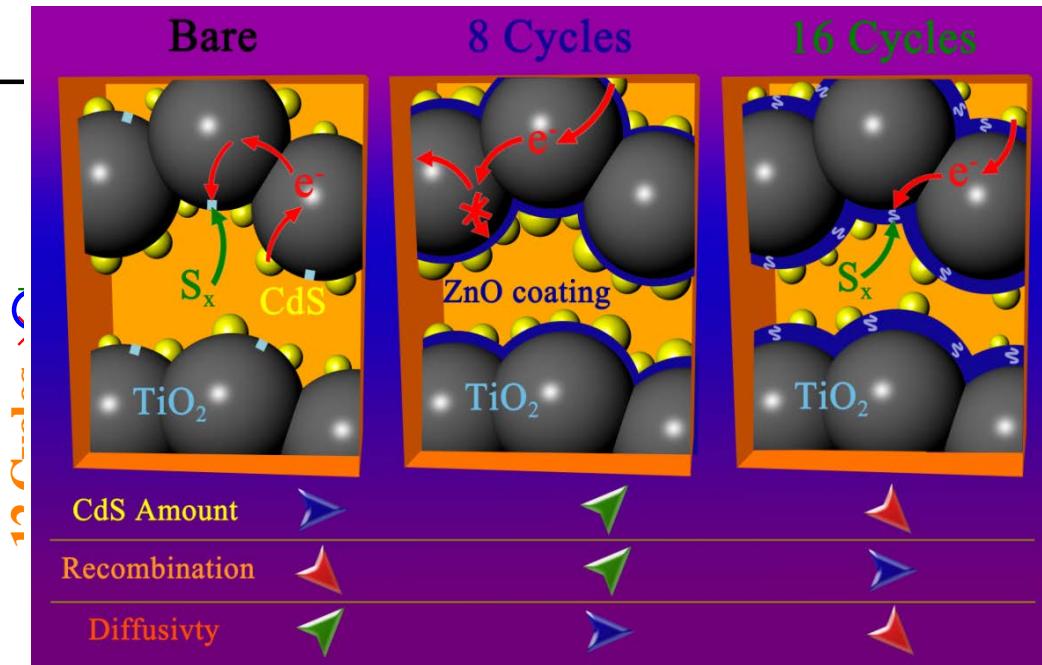
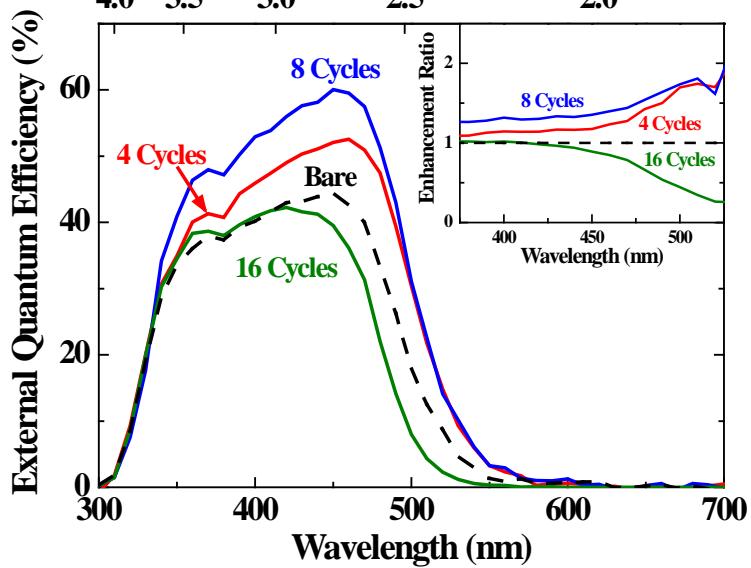
- ❖ 양자점의 전기화학적 안정성 확보
- ❖ Core/Shell 및 불순물 첨가를 이용한 밴드갭 조절
- ❖ 양자점 → 전해질로의 광전하 재결합 억제

ZnO Passivation on TiO₂ Electrode in QDSC

J-V



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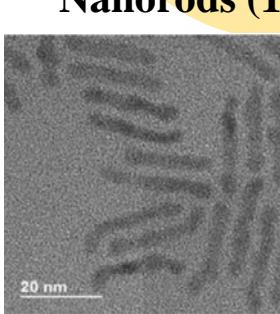
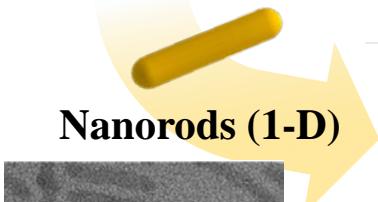
- Recombination of carrier electrons is **significantly diminished** by the ZnO layer.
- Enhanced adsorption behavior of CdS quantum dot.

➤ H. Choi, J. Kim, C. Nahm, C. Kim, S. Nam, J. Kang, B. Lee, T. Hwang, S. Kang, D. J. Choi, Y.-H. Kim, and B. Park, *Nano Energy* (2013).

Type-II Heterojunction Nanorods for Solar Cells

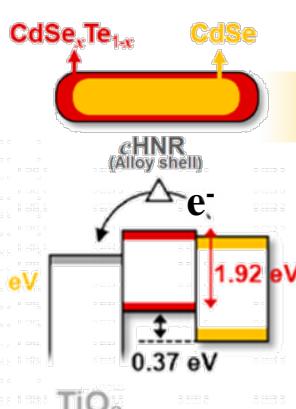
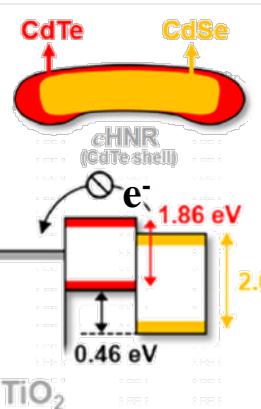
Quantum Dots (0-D)

CdSe

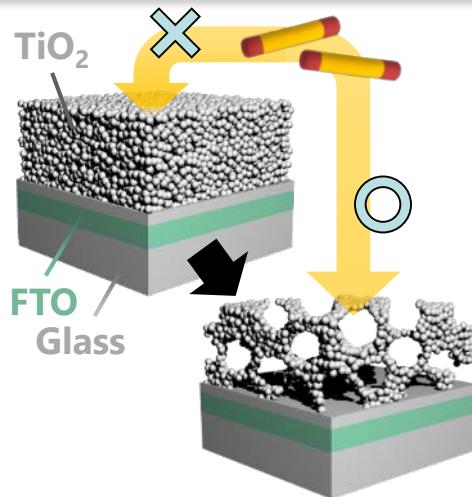
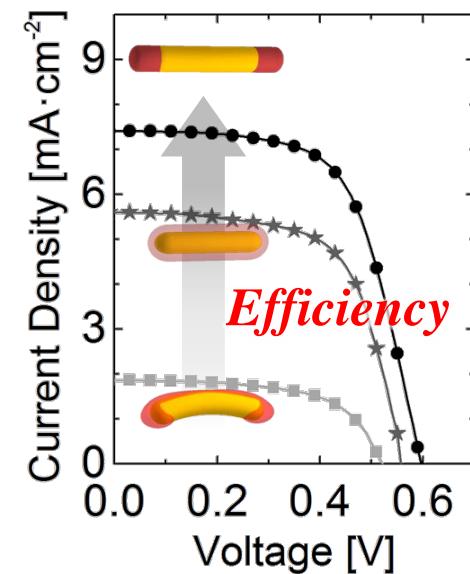
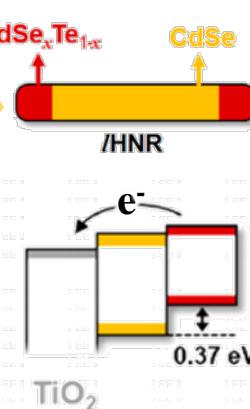


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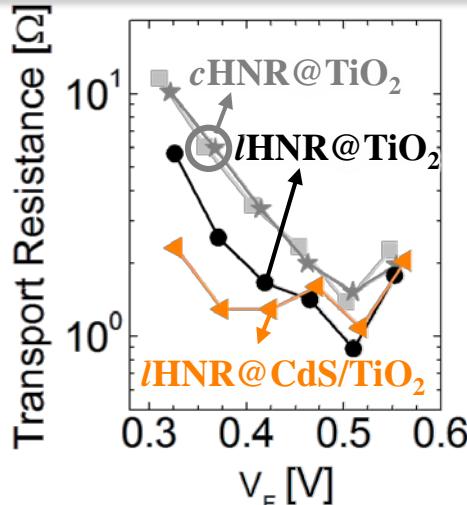
Core-Shell (*c*HNRs)



Linear (*I*HNRs)



Open pore structure for
HNR infiltration



CdS Pretreatment for
Improved Electron Transport

Nanorod Morphology Tuning

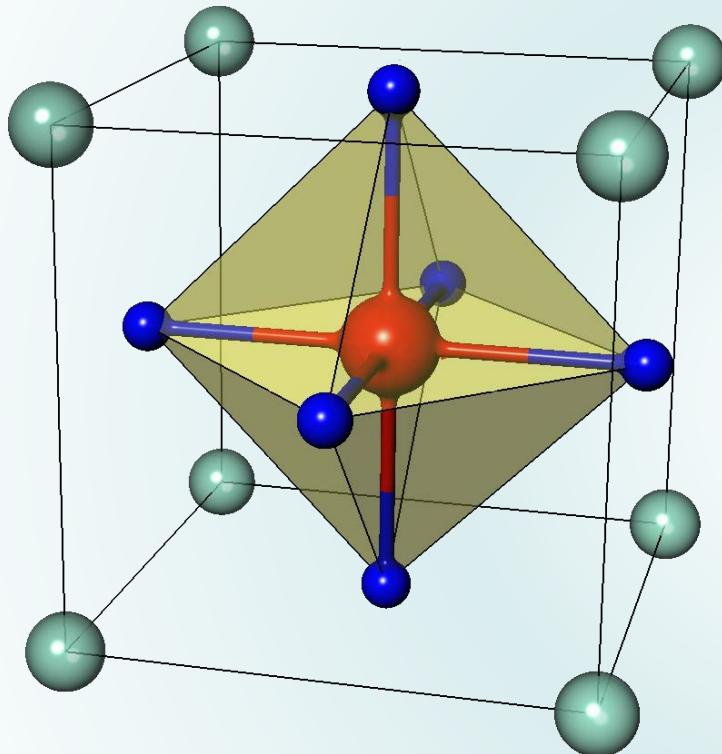
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Electrode Property Modification

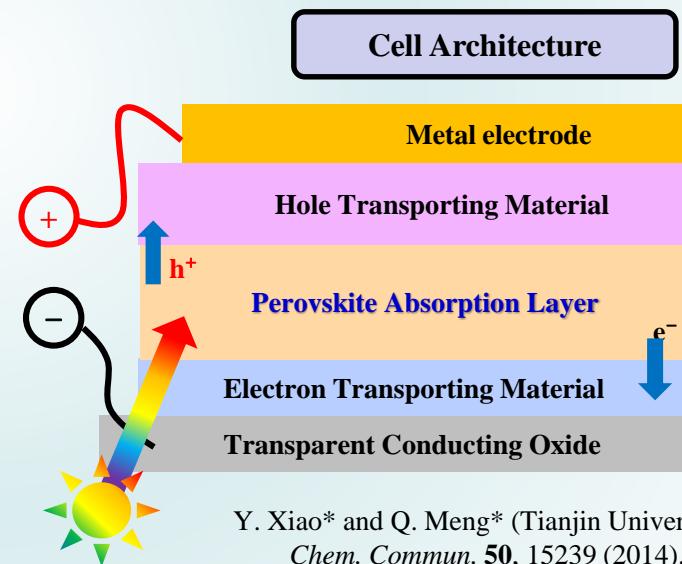
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Organometal Halide Perovskite Solar Cells

ABX_3 Perovskite Unit Cell



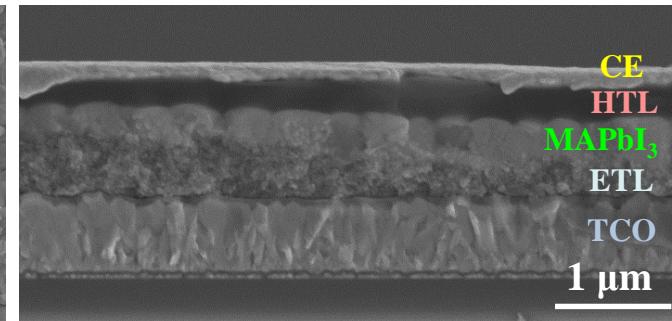
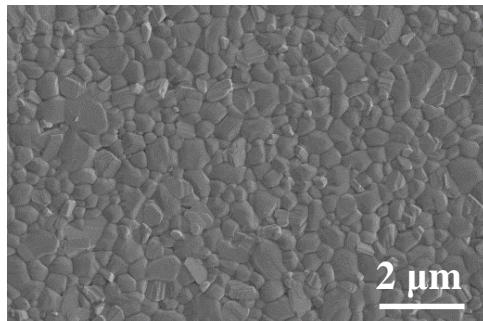
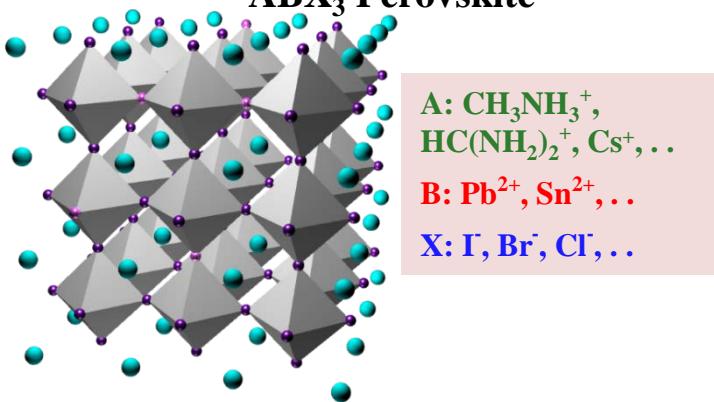
- A Site: Organic Cation
- B Site: Metal Cation
- X Site: Anion



Y. Xiao* and Q. Meng* (Tianjin University),
Chem. Commun. **50**, 15239 (2014).

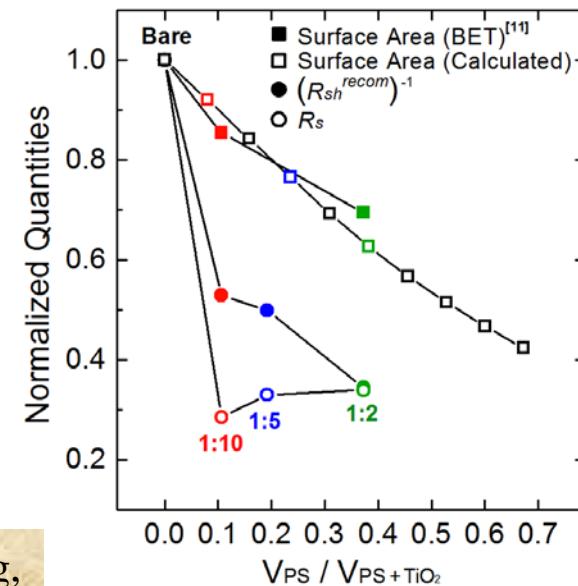
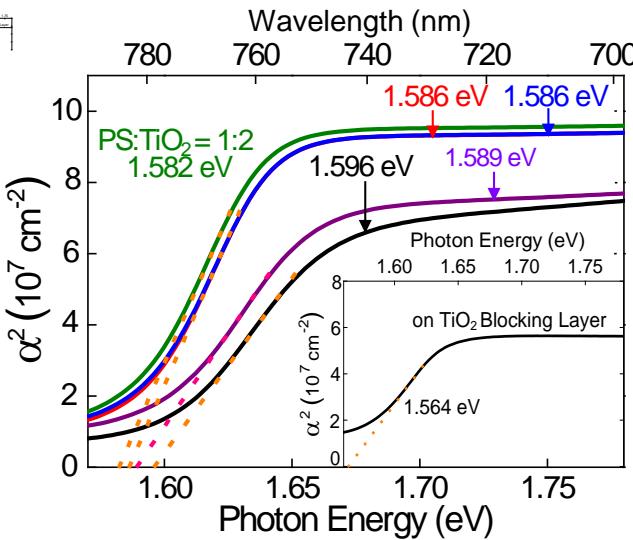
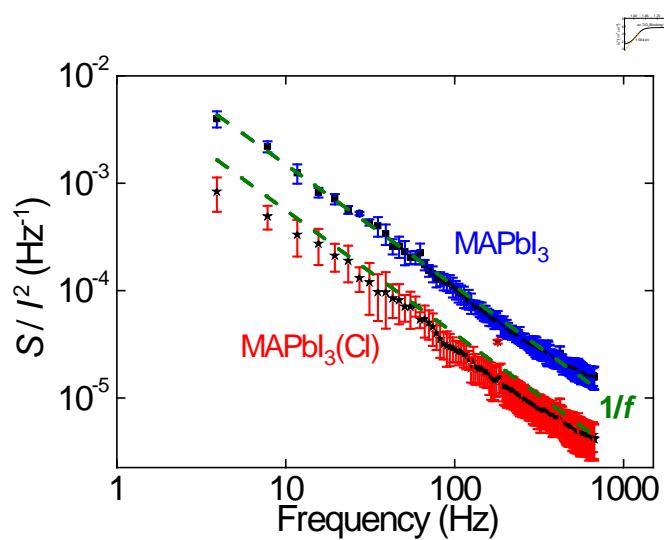
Perovskite as the Next Generation Photovoltaics

ABX₃ Perovskite



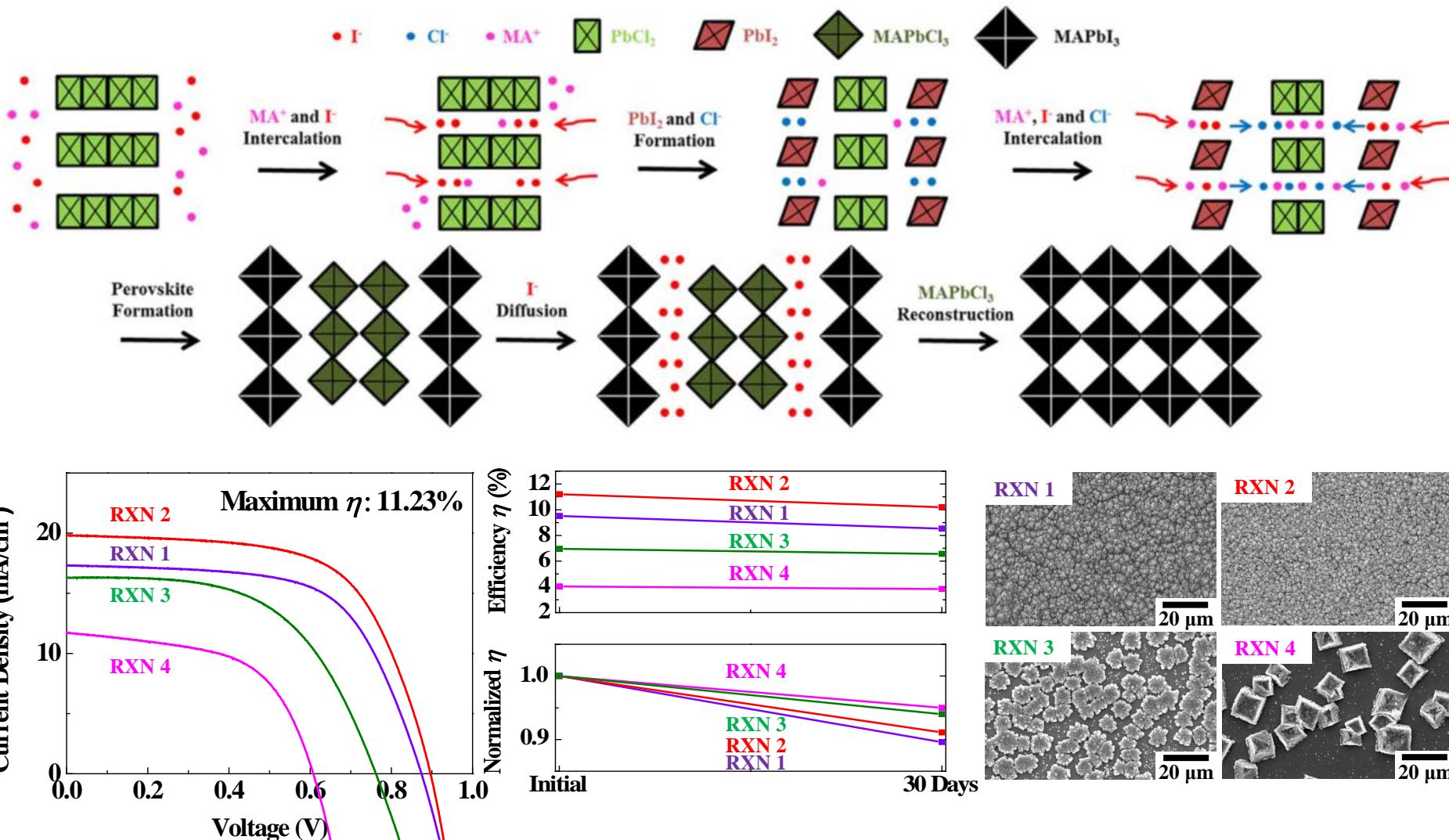
Power Conversion Efficiency of 22.1%
(from National Renewable Energy Laboratory)

Nanostructure control of organolead halides perovskite for performance improvement.



- T. Hwang, D. Cho, J. Kim, J. Kim, S. Lee, B. Lee, K. H. Kim, S. Hong, C. Kim, and B. Park, *Nano Energy*, **26**, 91 (2016).

Mechanism Control in the Perovskite Solar Cells

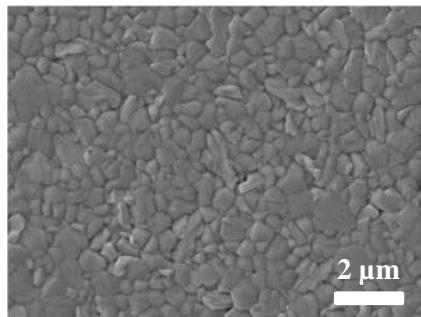


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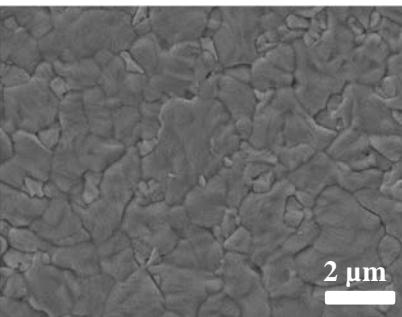
The Effects of Excess $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{I}$ on Perovskites

Toluene Dripping in the Non-Stoichiometric Precursor

$\text{PbI}_2:\text{MAI} = 1:1$



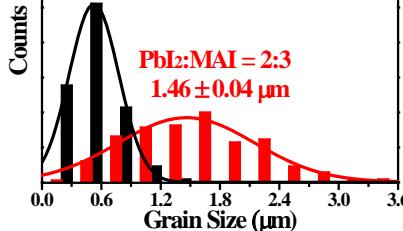
$\text{PbI}_2:\text{MAI} = 2:3$



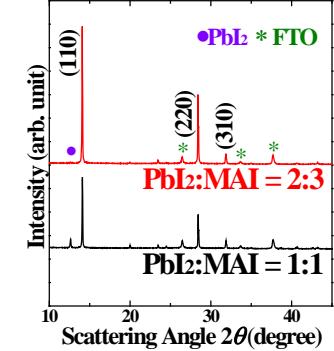
Grain Size Distribution

$\text{PbI}_2:\text{MAI} = 1:1$
 $0.53 \pm 0.01 \mu\text{m}$

$\text{PbI}_2:\text{MAI} = 2:3$
 $1.46 \pm 0.04 \mu\text{m}$

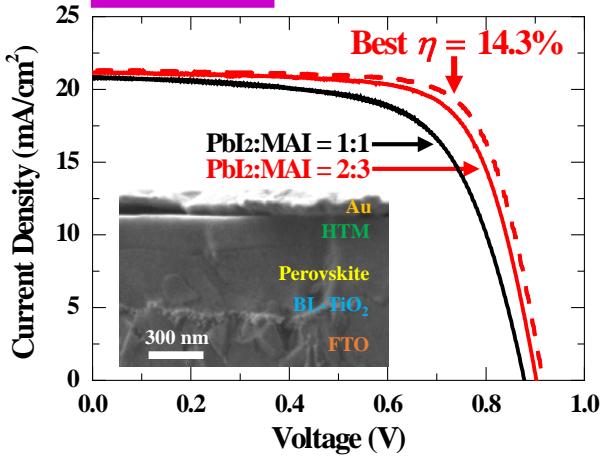


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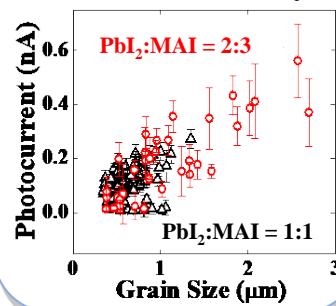


- Toluene dripping during spinning of the excess $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{I}$ containing precursor.
→ Enlarged grain size and improved crystallinity with perfect film coverage.

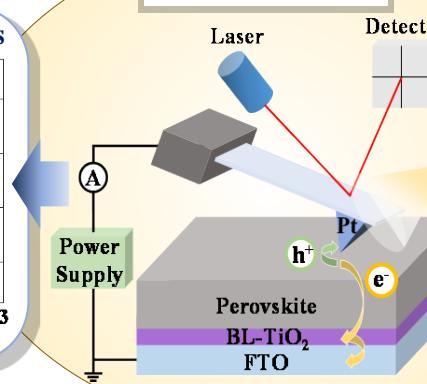
J-V Curve



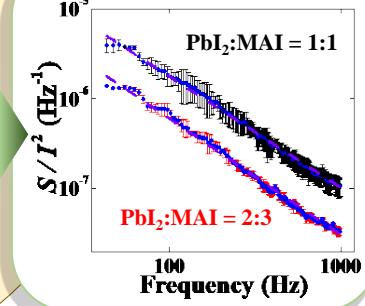
Photocurrent Analysis



Conductive AFM

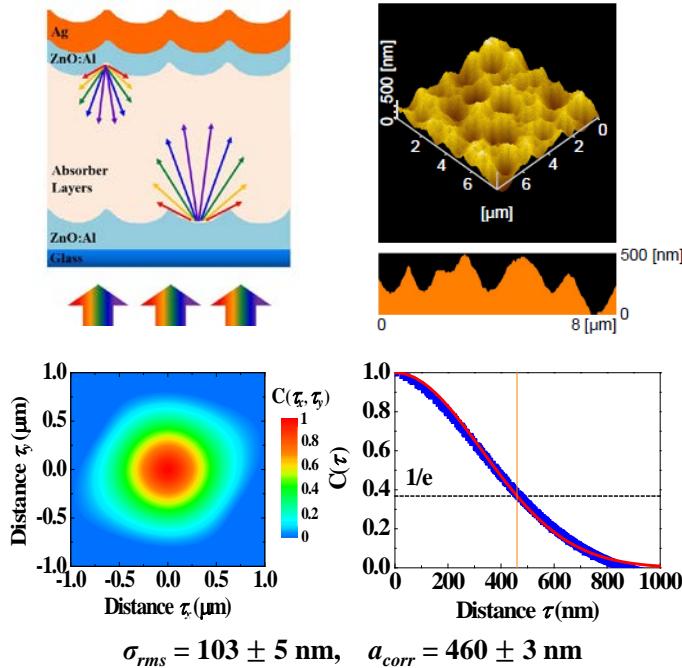


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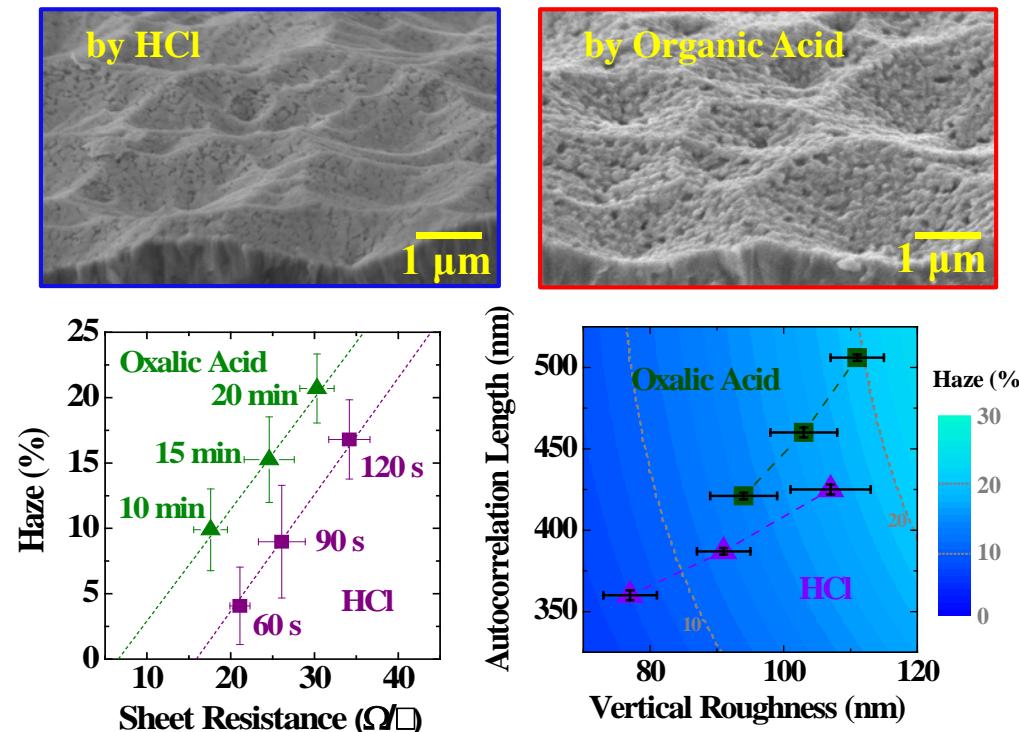


Light Trapping by Surface-Textured ZnO Layer

➤ Light trapping for thin-films solar cells.



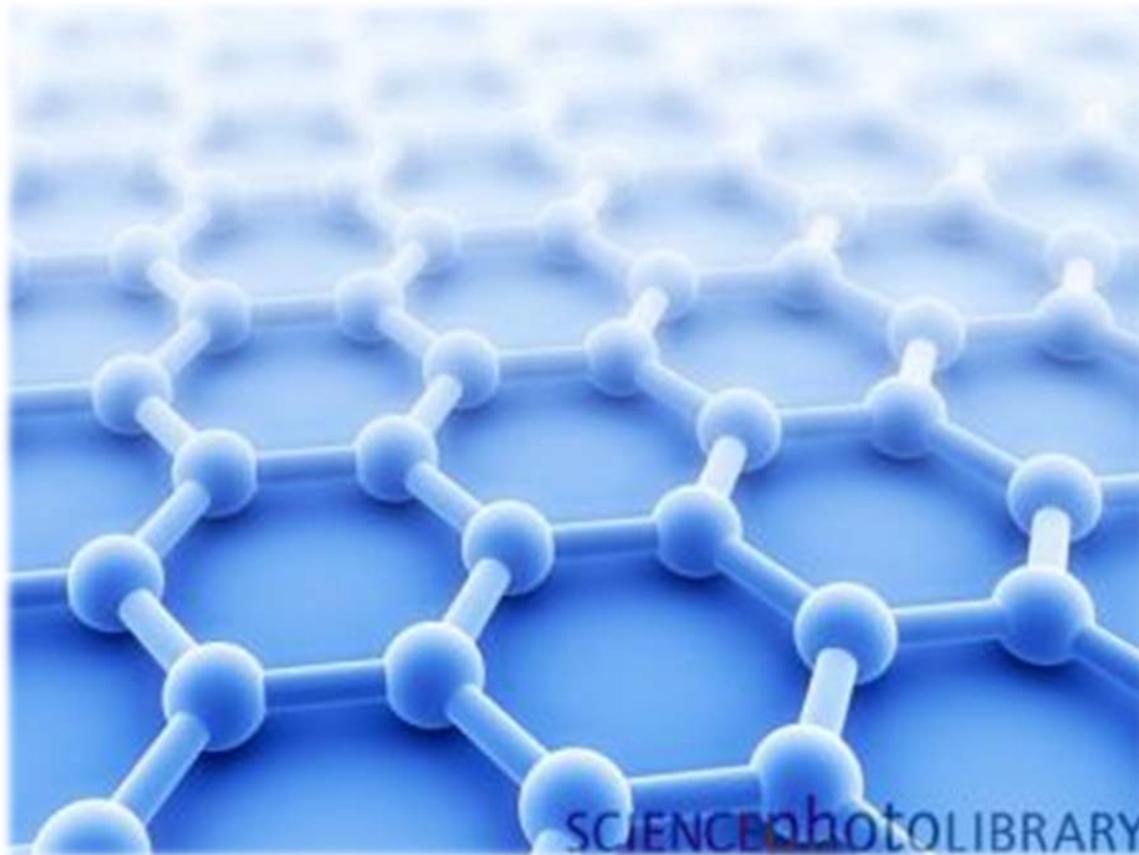
Texturing by Organic Acid



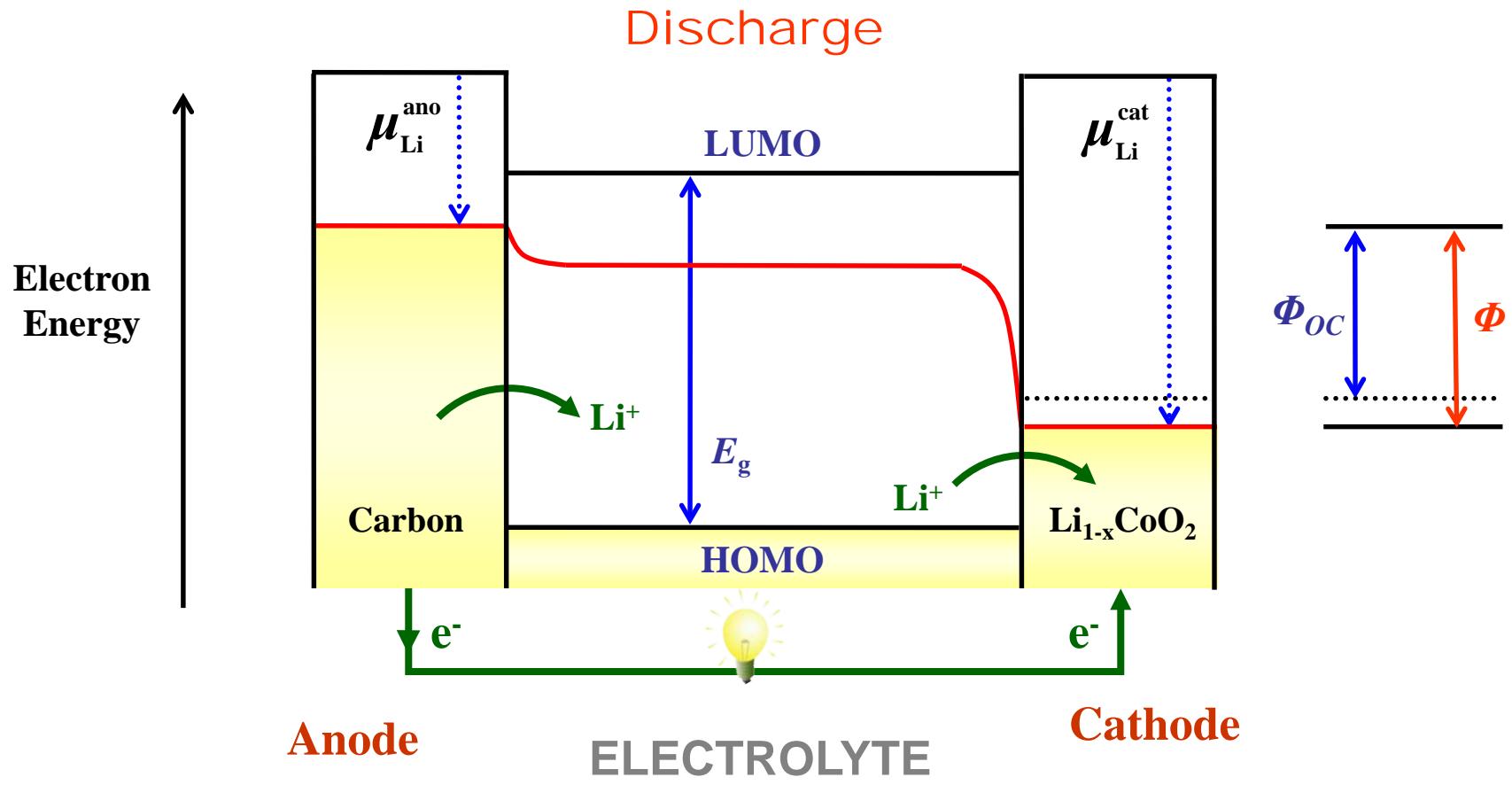
- Superior light scattering with maintaining transparency and resistance.
- Due to effective crater formation with less amount of overall vertical etching.

➤ W. Lee, T. Hwang, S. Lee, S.-Y. Lee, J. Kang, B. Lee, J. Kim, T. Moon, and B. Park, *Nano Energy* (2015).

Electrode Materials for Li-Ion Battery



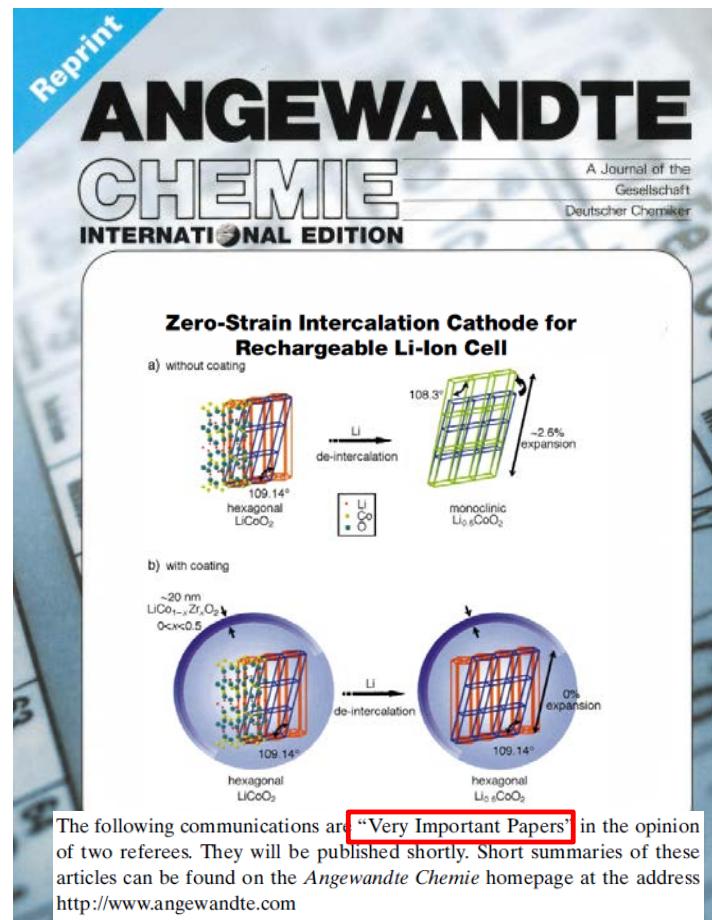
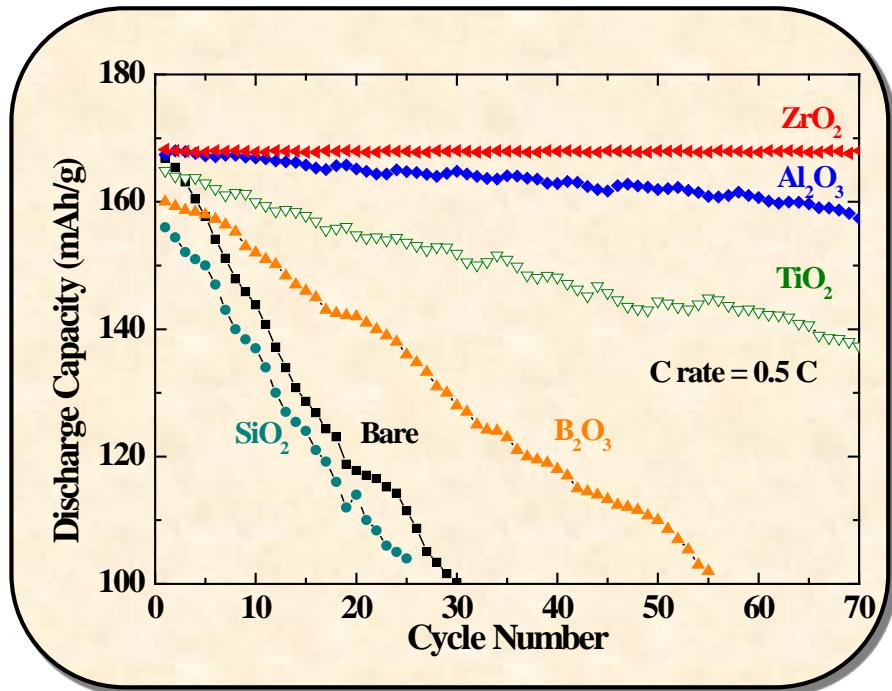
Electrode Materials for Li-Ion Battery



- Capacity (Volume + Mass)
 - Rate Capability
 - Stability
 - Safety
 - Cost

Solution?

Novel Electrochemistry by Nanoscale Coating



❖ Improved electrochemical properties by nanoscale metal-oxide coating

- J. Cho, Y. J. Kim, T.-J. Kim, and B. Park, *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **40**, 3367 (2001). [Times Cited: 488]
- J. Cho, Y. J. Kim, and B. Park, *Chem. Mater.* **12**, 3788 (2000). [Times Cited: 476]

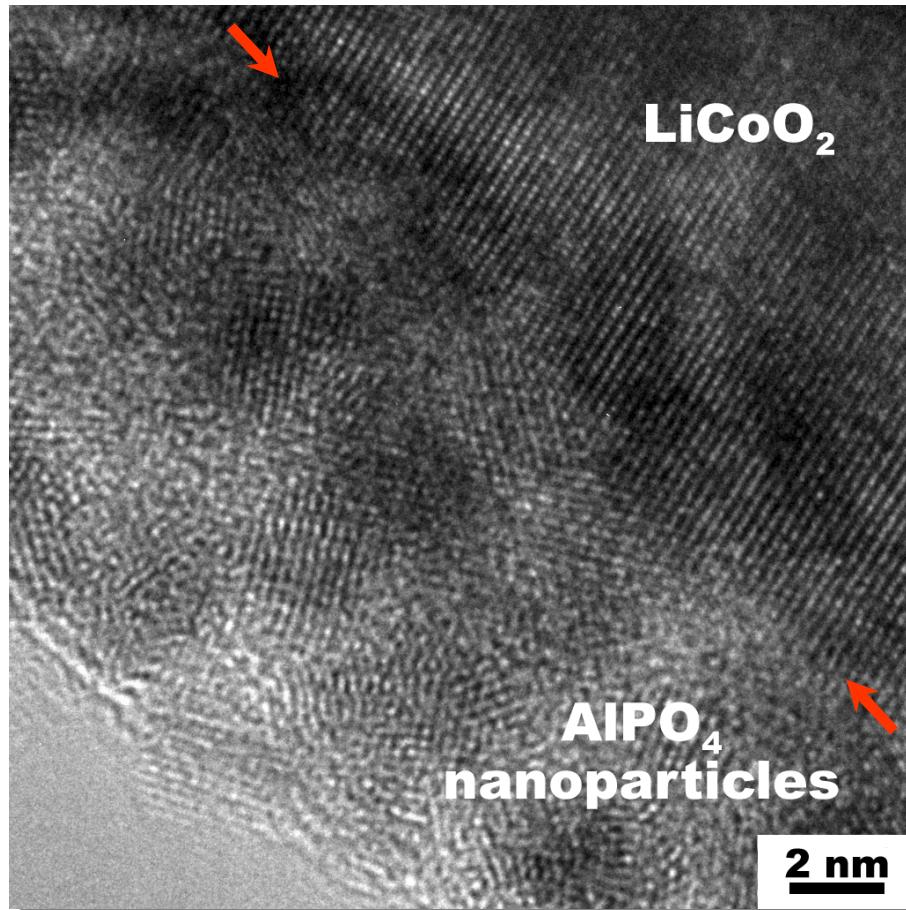
Metal-Phosphate Nanoparticle-Coated LiCoO₂



Bare LiCoO₂



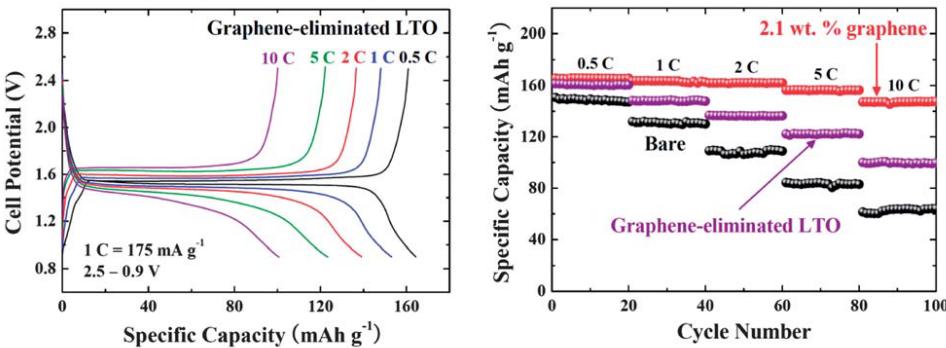
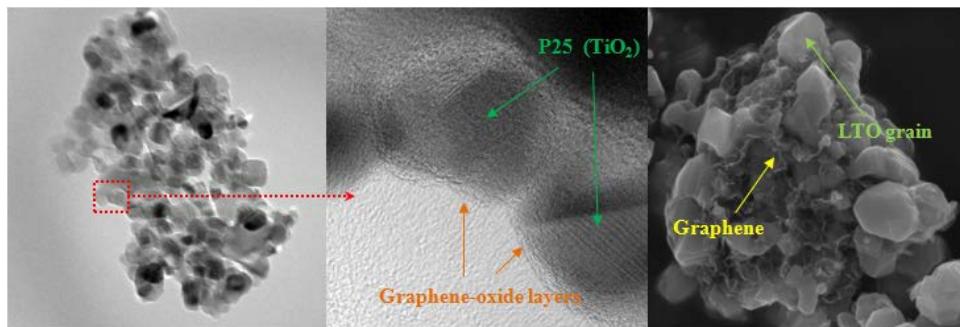
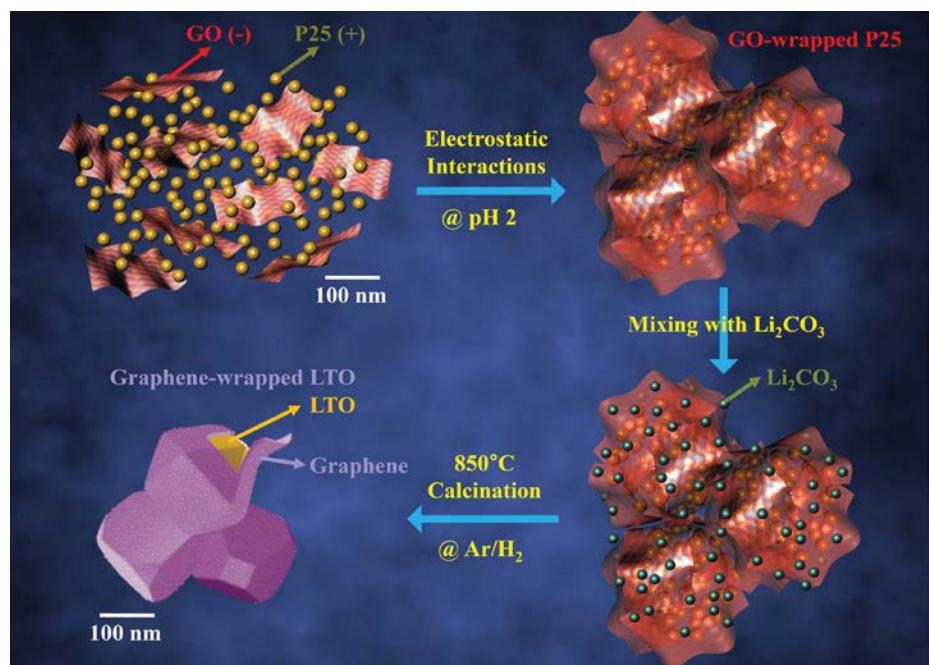
AlPO₄-Coated
LiCoO₂



AlPO₄ nanoparticles (~3 nm) embedded
in the coating layer (~15 nm)

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- E. Kim, D. Son, T.-G. Kim, J. Cho, B. Park,
K.-S. Ryu, and S.-H. Chang
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- C. Kim, M. Noh, M. Choi, J. Cho, and B. Park
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Graphene Wrapping on Single-Crystal $\text{Li}_4\text{Ti}_5\text{O}_{12}$

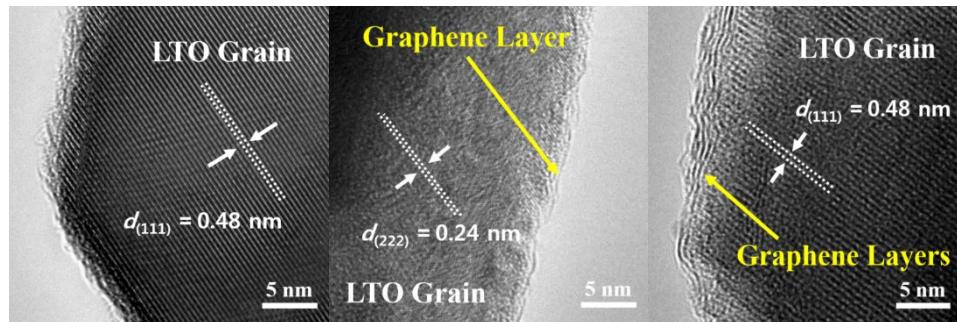


- ✓ Self-assembly of TiO_2 (P25) and GO by electrostatic interactions.
- ✓ Conformal coating of RGO on the individual LTO grains during solid-state reaction ($5\text{TiO}_2 \rightarrow \text{Li}_4\text{Ti}_5\text{O}_{12}$, $(\Delta V \cong 32\%)$).
- ✓ The graphene-wrapped LTO manifested an excellent specific capacity at a lithiation/delithiation of 10 C after 100 cycles.

➤ Y. Oh,⁺ S. Nam,⁺ S. Wi, J. Kang, T. Hwang, S. Lee, H. H. Park, J. Cabana, C. Kim, and B. Park, *J. Mater. Chem. A* (2014). [Inside Back Cover]

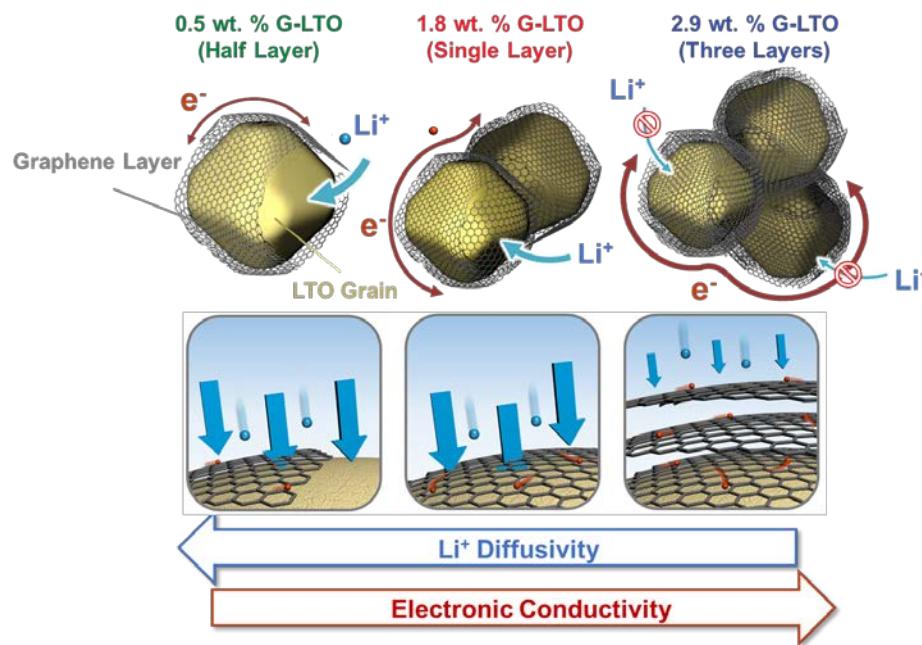
Single-Layer Graphene Wrapping on LTO

**0.5 wt. % G-LTO
(Half Layer)**

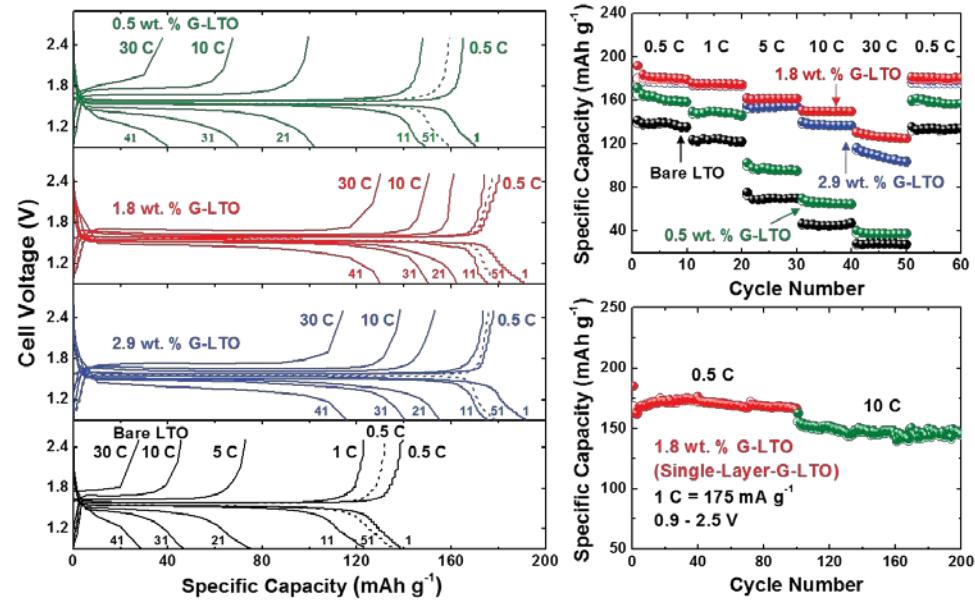


**1.8 wt. % G-LTO
(Single Layer)**

**2.9 wt. % G-LTO
(Three Layers)**



Electrochemical Properties of RGO/LTO



Sample	$D_{Li} - CV$ ($\times 10^{-13}$ cm 2 s $^{-1}$)	R_{ct} (Ω g)	Conductivity ($\times 10^{-3}$ S cm $^{-1}$)
0.5 wt. % Graphene (Half Layer)	1.37	0.17	0.19
1.8 wt. % Graphene (Single Layer)	0.22	0.11	1.85
2.9 wt. % Graphene (Three Layers)	0.11	0.16	9.49

0.5 wt. % Graphene
(Half Layer)

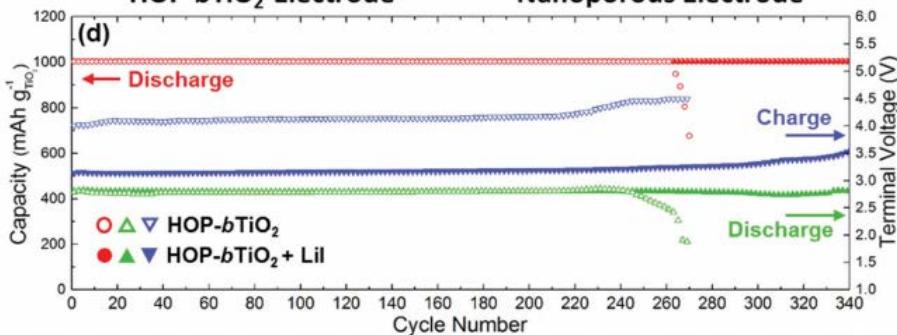
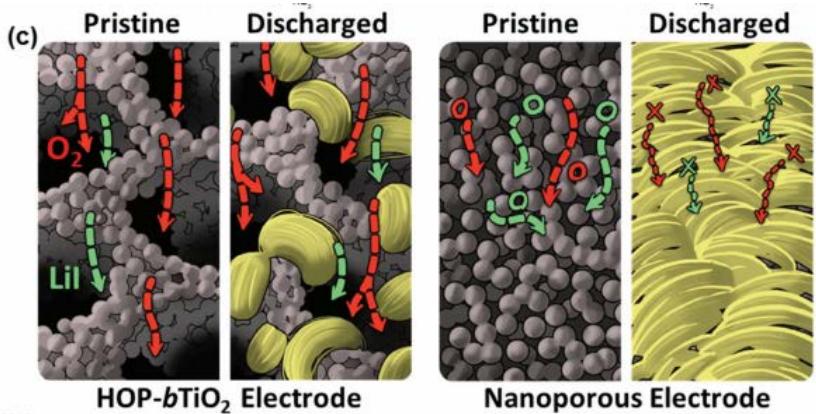
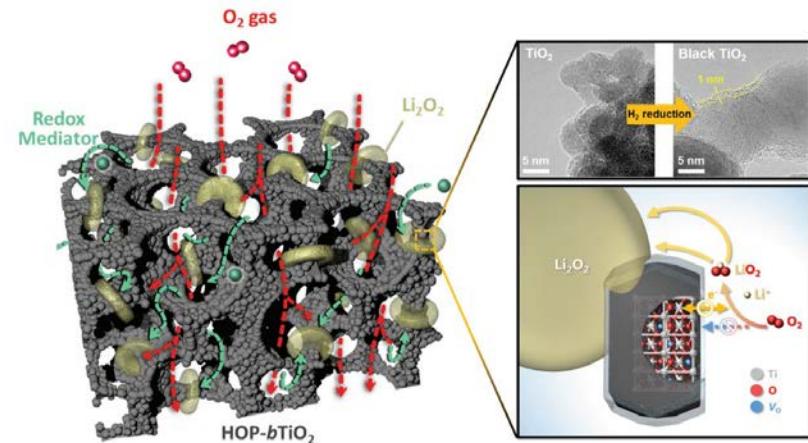
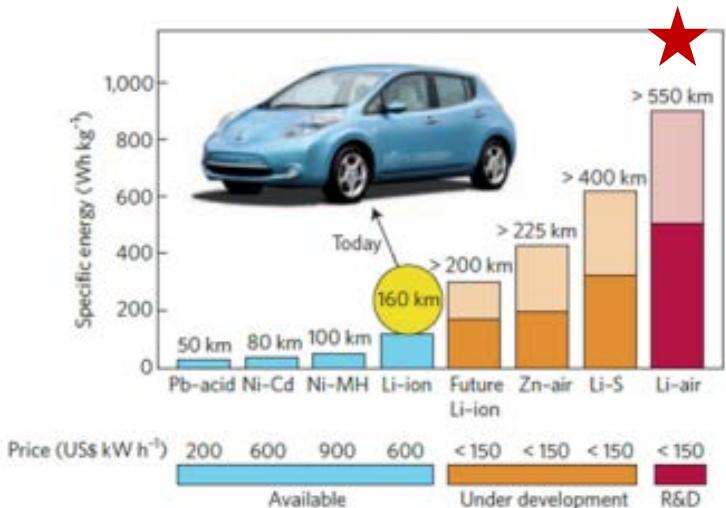
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➤ J. Kim,⁺ K. E. Lee,⁺ K. H. Kim, S. Wi, S. Lee, S. Nam, C. Kim, S. O. Kim, and B. Park, *Carbon* (2017).

Lithium-Air Battery: Promise and Challenges

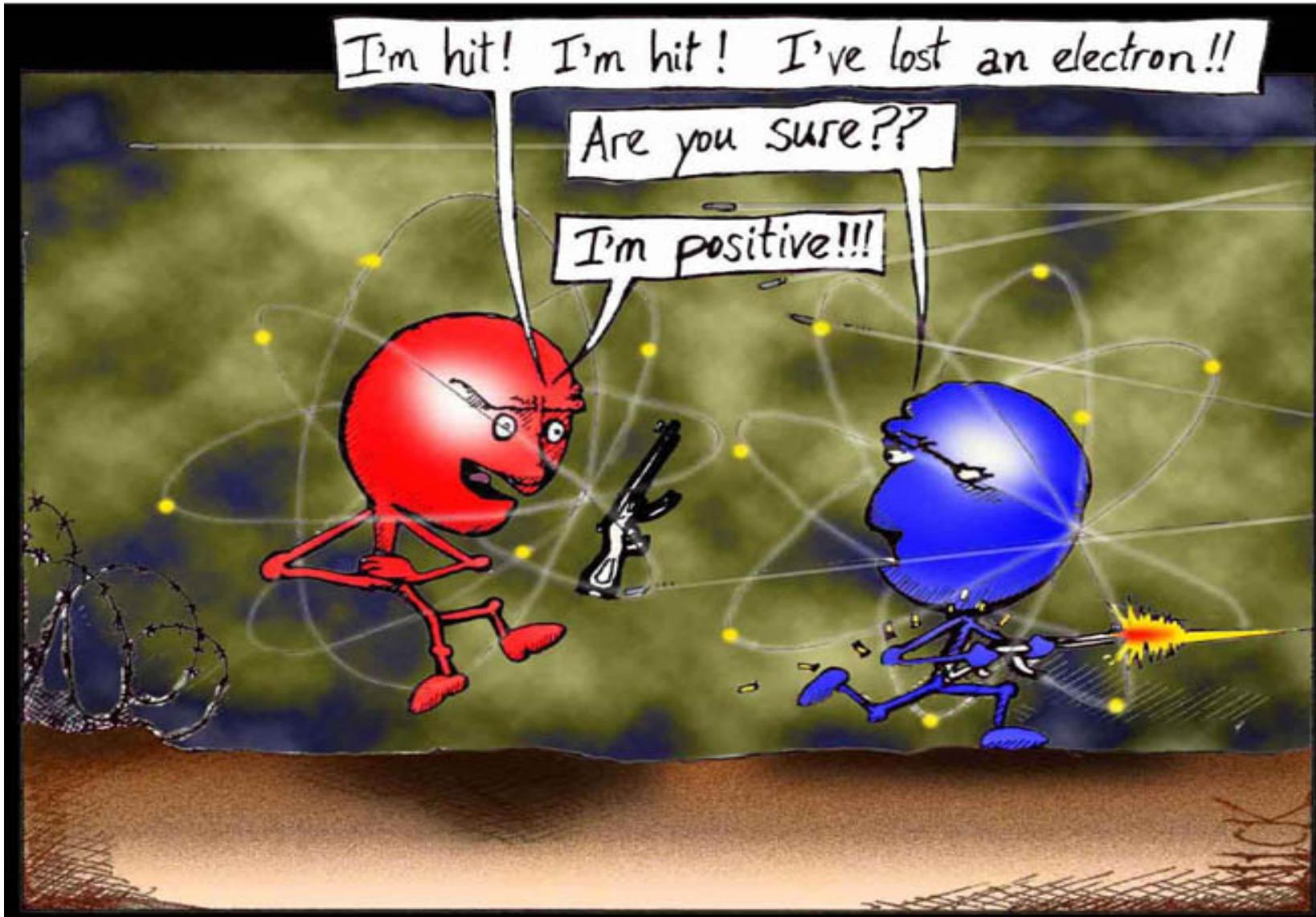
High theoretical energy density ($\approx 3500 \text{ Wh kg}^{-1}$)



- ✓ Hierarchically ordered porous (HOP) structure
- ✓ Black-TiO₂ ($b\text{TiO}_2$)cathode
→ Carbon-free electrode with high conductivity

➤ J. Kang, J. Kim, S. Lee, S. Wi, C. Kim, S. Hyun, S. Nam, Y. Park, and B. Park,
Adv. Energy Mater. (2017). [Front Cover]

Oxidation and Reduction



Another casualty in the War of the Atoms.

Nanoscale Control

- Compositions?
- Nanostructures?
- Mechanisms?

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Solar Cell

Li Battery

Luminescence

Catalyst

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서울대 공대, 리튬 배터리 성능향상기술 개발 美베클리研讨과 공동 · 그레핀 코팅 음극전극 개발 성공

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[한국대학신문 이우희 기자] 리튬 배터리의 성능을 획기적으로 향상시키는 기술이 국내 연구진에 의해 개발됐다. 서울대 공대는 재료공학부 박병우 교수와 미국 버클리 연구소의 김천중 박사가 고체상 반응을 이용해 그레핀이 균일하게 코팅된 'Li₄Ti₅O₁₂(이하 LTO) 음극전극'의 개발에 성공했다고 2일 밝혔다.

LTO 음극전극은 기존의 전극과 비교해 충·방전시 효율성이 높아 기업이나 연구소에서 차세대 음극 물질로 주목해 왔지만 낮은 전기전도를 끼고 있어 상용화에 걸림돌이 있었다.



▲ 서울대학교 공과대학 재료공학부
박병우 교수(사진=서울대 제공)

박 교수는 "전도성을 갖는 물질을 LTO 표면에 코팅해 초기 리튬이온의 빠른 반응을 유도해 LTO의 단점인 비전도성을 극복하고자 했다"며 "이번 연구로 향상된 리튬 배터리는 충전 속도도 빠르고 충전 횟수도 크게 늘어나 휴대전화, 노트북, 전기차 등에 혁신적인 발전을 가져올 것"이라고 밝혔다.

연구팀이 확인한 것은 바로 차세대 소재로 불리는 그레핀과의 접목. 티타늄 산화물을 그레핀 산화물로 미리 코팅한 후 리튬 전구체와 열처리 과정을 통해 그레핀 산화물의 환원과 고체상 반응을 동시에 진행하는 기법으로 그레핀이 코팅된 LTO 합성에 성공했다.

이를 통해 기존의 그레핀 코팅 리튬-금속 산화물과 비교해 표면이 균일하고 안정된 코팅을 형성하고, 코팅된 LTO 또한 단결정 성장을 이뤄 세계 최고 수준의 충·방전률을 기록할 수 있었다.

본 연구는 한국연구재단 기후변화 대응과제사업과 미국 에너지국 연구 과제의 일환으로 진행되었으며, 세계적 권위의 학술지 '저널 오브 머티리얼스 케미스트리 에이(Journal of Materials Chemistry A)' 최신호 표지 논문으로 선정됐다.

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최신기사

'숨 쉬는 전극'으로 리튬 공기전지 효율성 향상

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서울대 박병우 교수팀 기술 개발 "배터리 수명 연장"

(서울=연합뉴스) 김기훈 기자 = 서울대 공대는 재료공학부 박병우 교수 연구팀이 티타늄 산화물을 이용해 리튬 공기전지의 효율성을 획기적으로 높이는 기술을 개발했다고 29일 밝혔다.

리튬 공기전지는 상용화된 리튬 이온전지에 비해 용량이 5~10배가량 크고 공기 중의 산소를 연료로 활용해 친환경 차세대 이차전지로 주목받고 있다. 하지만 에너지 효율이 낮고, 사용을 거듭함에 따라 용량이 급감해 수명이 짧은 점이 문제점으로 지적됐다.

이런 문제를 해결하기 위해 연구진은 탄소 대신 티타늄 산화물을 리튬 공기전지의 전극 물질로 사용했다.

블랙 티타늄 산화물을 합성해 전기 전도도를 개선하고 인간의 폐 구조에서 착안해 리튬 공기전지의 활성 물질인 산소 투과가 용이한 구조의 전극을 형성했다. 이를 통해 수백 회 충전과 방전을 거친 이후에도 전지의 수명을 유지할 수 있다고 연구진은 설명했다.

박 교수는 "이번에 개발한 블랙 티타늄 산화물 전극은 저작이 쉽고 값싼 티타늄 산화물로 제작했다는 점에서 혁신적"이라고 소개했다.

이번 연구에는 경기대 박용준 교수, 한국기계연구원 남승훈 박사가 공동 참여했다. 연구 성과는 최근에너지 분야의 세계적 학술지 '어드밴스드 에너지 머티리얼스(Advanced Energy Materials)' 표지 논문으로 게재됐다.

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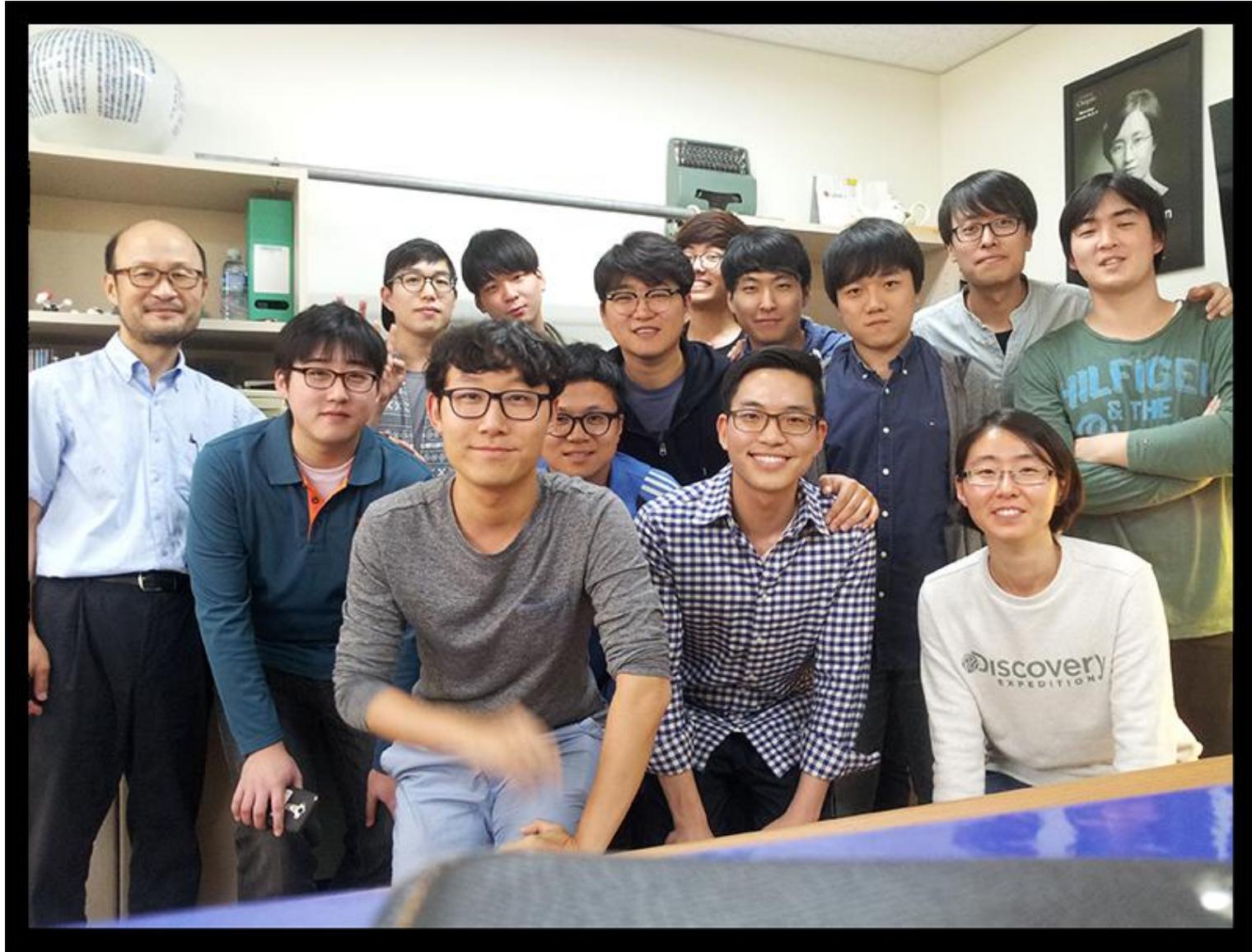
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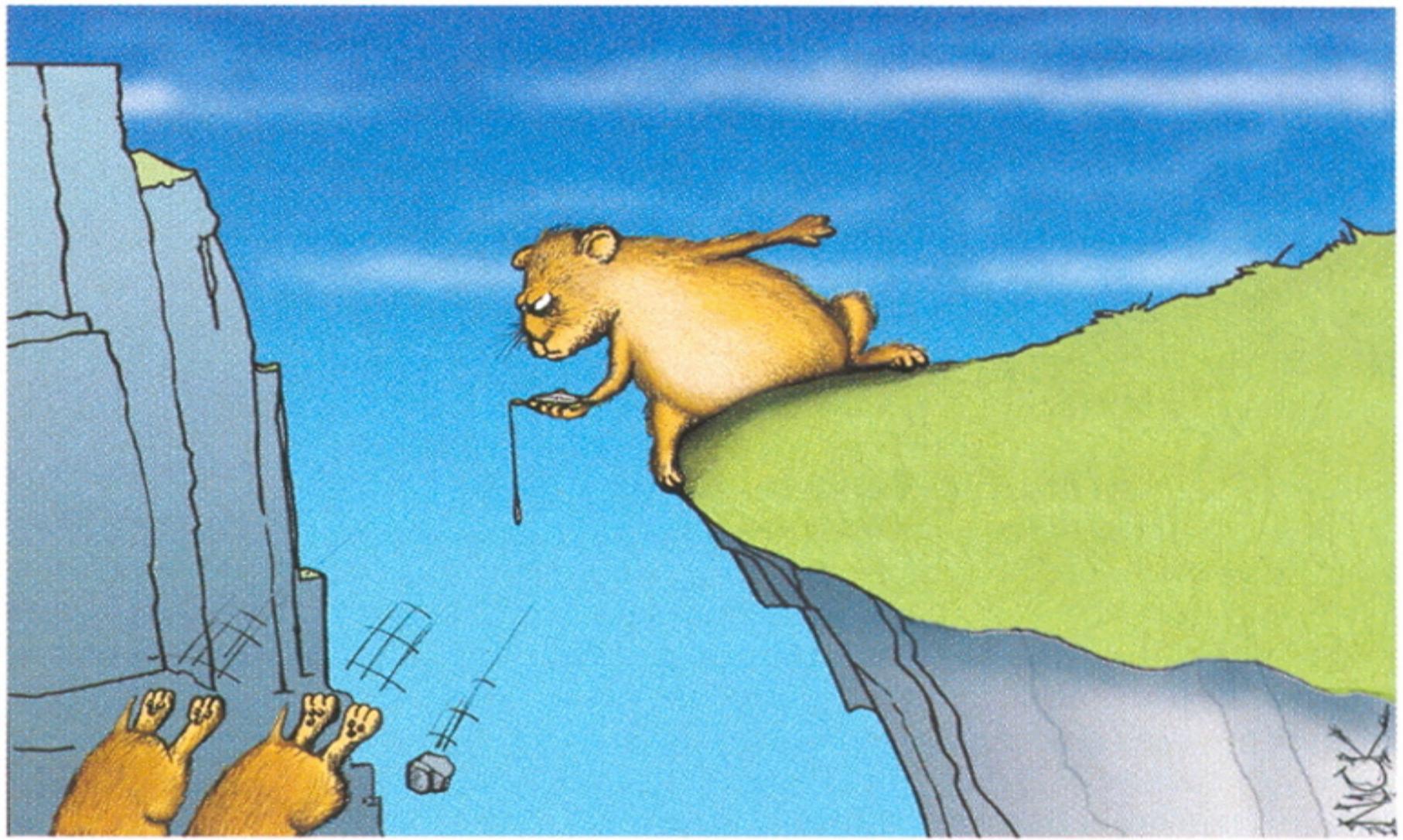


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Physics Today (October 2008)



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