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Detection

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Abstract

In this study, a novel tapered plastic optical fiber sensor based on the single-layer

graphene film is demonstrated. A single-layer graphene film was grown on copper foil

by chemical vapor deposition (CVD) and transferred to the cone area of the optical

fiber by wetting transfer technology. The tapered plastic optical fiber was fabricated

with waist diameters of 1mm and total lengths of 5cm. In order to increase the

stability of the sensor, the taper regions were coated with a single-layer graphene with

length of 1.5 cm. By using this platform, the glucose solution as the analyte was

measured. The output light intensity and glucose concentration shows a reasonable

linear relationship in the range of 1%~40%.

Keywords: graphene, tapered optical fiber sensor, glucose detection, evanescent field

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