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**ABSTRACT** 

Edge-oxidized graphene oxide (EOGO) nanosheets are good acceptors of electrons.

We have employed a suitably designed pyrene-tailed fluorescent probe to establish

that the electron acceptability of EOGO can be tuned by undulation of the GO sheet.

Comparison between EOGO and single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWCNT) on

electron acceptance from the probe molecule shows that the efficiency of  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking

between pyrene and the graphene sheet plays the key role.

Keywords: edge-oxidized graphene oxide; single-walled carbon nanotube;  $\pi$ - $\pi$ 

stacking; fluorescence quenching; electron acceptability

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