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Synthesis of Carbon Nano-structures by Low-Temperature Hydrothermal Technique

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ABSTRACT

Carbon nanostructures (CNSt) have been prepared by a Hydrothermal deposition technique based on the polymer Polyethylene glycol (PEG-20.000Mw-(C_2H_4O) $_{n+1}H_2O$, bp:56-63°C) dissolved in D.I. water and Ethanol alcohol of a new carbon sources materials mixed with PdCl $_2$ as a catalyst mixed with Sodium hydroxide (8gm NaOH) using Parr reactor at temperature (190°C). A detailed study of how the synthesis parameter such as growth temperature affects the morphology of the carbon nanostructures is presented. The obtained (CNSt) are investigated (in Georgia Institute of Technology-MSE, Georgia, USA) by scanning electron microscope (SEM), transmitting electron microscope (TEM), X-ray diffraction (XRD) and Raman spectroscopy. It is observed that at (190 °C), normal CNTs are formed multi-walled carbon nanotubes (MWCNTs) and carbon nanosheets (CNS) but in little bit amount. Coiled carbon nanotubes (CCNTs) were obtained as main products high pure MWCNTs with lengths of (2–5 μ m) and diameters of (60±20 nm) could be synthesized at as low temperature as (190 °C).

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