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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Electrocatalysis for water splitting and CO₂ reduction

- Materials chemistry & characterization
- Surface modification
- Hydrogen generation and uptake
- Electrochemical sensors
- Synthesis of metallic alloy nanostructures

SUMMARY

My PhD focused on electrochemistry, nanomaterials and their applications analytical chemistry. We have developed novel and sensitive electrochemical sensors via functionalization electrode for biomarker detection. In the second part, functionalized gold nanoparticles, functionalized MWCNT and N-doped graphene and their electrochemical application were also studied. In addition, via electrochemical deposition, an ultra-high surface area electrode of 3D nanodendrite porous structure of Au, Ag or Cu were successfully synthesized. And a tunable composition of tri-metallic Pt-Au-Ag nanodendrite was also synthesized via galvanic replacement reaction of Pt and Au on dendritic Ag material.

During two years postdoctoral in the group of Dr. Vincent Artero, CEA, Grenoble, I worked on the project of “Ni-based catalyst ($[\text{Ni}(\text{PCy}_2\text{N}^{\text{ester}}_2)_2](\text{BF}_4)_2$ complex) grafted on MWCNT/GDL for H₂ generation and uptake” & “composite of Cu electrodeposited from $[\text{Cu}(\text{cyclam})]^{2+}$ complex for selective electro-reduction of CO₂”.

From September 2015, I worked in the lab of Prof. Marc Fontecave at Collge de France as a postdoctoral researcher and became a permanent member from January 2018. My research interests are focusing on developing of electrocatalysts and electrolyzers for high energy efficiency conversion of CO₂ to valuable products, such as: CO, formica cid, ethylene and ethanol.

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