



## Advanced Ag/rGO/TiO<sub>2</sub> Ternary Nanocomposite based Photoanode Approaches to Highly-Efficient Plasmonic Dye-Sensitized Solar Cells

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### Abstract:

This research demonstrates the utilization of newly designed advanced Ag/rGO/TiO<sub>2</sub> ternary nanocomposite based photoanode for highly-efficient plasmonic dye-sensitized solar cells (PDSSCs). The Ag/rGO/TiO<sub>2</sub> ternary nanocomposite was successfully synthesized by a facile solvothermal approach without deploying any hazardous agent. In order to achieve the higher power conversion efficiency of the PDSSCs, it is essential to improve the electron injection and optical absorption of the photoanodes. The nanocomposite was characterized by FE-SEM and TEM analyses, which disclosed that the ternary nanocomposite has been synthesized. The incorporation of Ag nanoparticles on the TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles considerably influenced the optical properties because of the localized surface plasmon resonance. XRD and EDX spectroscopic techniques were utilized to confirm the synthesis of Ag nanoparticles and rGO. Furthermore, thermal stability of the nanocomposite was investigated by thermal gravimetric analysis (TGA). Ag/rGO/TiO<sub>2</sub> ternary nanocomposite based photoanode demonstrated an enhanced power change productivity of 6.87% in PDSSCs, which was 15% higher than that of the unadulterated TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles-based photoanode. In addition, an enhanced IPCE of 68% was also observed in comparison with the pristine TiO<sub>2</sub>, which was found due to remarkable conductivity of rGO.

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