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Nanostructured Materials for Energy and Environmental Applications: A Sustainable Approach

The concept of environmentally sustainable/green chemistry focuses on the reduction, recycling or removal of toxic chemical compounds in various fabrication processes by creating creative, alternative routes for fabrication of the desired products with a reduced impact on the environment and human health. Eco-friendly green alternatives to conventional chemistry practices are made possible by green chemistry. Development of environmentally friendly synthesis methods is vital to the expansion of visible light-induced applications in energy and environment. In many cutting-edge technological areas, notable research efforts are currently aimed at making efficient, economical, and green sources of nanoparticles for applications that depend upon well-defined composition, size, and morphology. Developing biofilms from a single strain is a promising technique for fabricating carbon-based metal nanostructures. Generally, different types of micro-organisms form biofilms on solid surfaces for mutual benefit. In this study, a biofilm was produced using the microorganism *Shewanella oneidensis*, which is an electrochemically active microbe. The biofilm can be used to control chemical/biological reactions and bioremediation. The effects of small amounts of gold nanoparticles (AuNPs) (1 mM, 3 mM, and 6 mM) anchored successively onto sheet-like structures of graphitic carbon nitride (g-C₃N₄) to improve the visible-light absorption performance and separate the photogenerated electron-hole pairs were studied. The as-fabricated nanostructures exhibit improved photocurrent performance when irradiated with visible light. On the basis of the SPR effect of AuNPs, low band gap energy, excellent visible light absorption, and superior photocurrent generation, it was demonstrated that the photoelectrochemical performance of AuNPs was superior. The charge transfer properties in the Au-g-C₃N₄ nanostructures highlight its potential as good quality plasmonic-based electronic material for energy storage and conversion applications for real device fabrication.

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