2D-BLACK PHOSPHORUS FUNCTIONALIZED WITH METAL NANOPARTICLES: FULL CHARACTERIZATION AND CATALYTIC ACTIVITY ON HYDROGENATION REACTIONS



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2D-Materials

- -Microelectronics
- -Optoelectronics
- -Catalysis
- -Chemical and biological sensors
- -Supercapacitors
- -Solar cells
- -Lithium ion batteries

Elemental 2D-Materials



2D-black phosphorus (BP): a new wonder material?



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2D-BP: a new wonder material?

The renaissance of black phosphorus

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Crystal structure of BP



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Anisotropic structure of BP



Zig-zag (y-axis)

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Anisotropic structure of BP



Armchair (x-axis)

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2D-BP: highlights

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✓ Good carrier mobility (\sim 1000 cm² V⁻¹ s⁻¹ at room temperature)

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✓Higher chemical reactivity compared to other 2D-materials stable in free standing form

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- Controllable/mild chemical functionalization (not possible for graphene)

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- -Communication
- -Light vision goggles
- -Thermal infrared imaging
- -Astronomy
- -Medicine
- -Document security systems
- -DVD players
- -Display
- -LED, OLED

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Preparation of 2D-BP





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Bright-field TEM image of 2D-BP



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AFM analysis of 2D-black phosphorus



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Extraction of 2D-BP from the DMSO of exfoliation



Solvent, Ultrasound 37 kHz, 30"

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Preparation of NiNPs/2D-BP





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TEM image of NiNPs/2D-BP



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Size distribution of NiNPs anchored on 2D-BP





Preparation and TEM analysis of PdNPs/2D-BP



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Preparation and TEM analysis of AuNPs/2D-BP



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Preparation and TEM analysis of RuNPs/2D-BP



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Phenylacetylene hydrogenation catalyzed by NiNPs



Solvent	Temperature (°C)	Time (h)	Conv. (%)*	Selectivity toward styrene(%)*
toluene	80	2	2.2	51.1
toluene/DMSO				
1:3	80	1	77.9	94.3
toluene/DMSO				
1:3	80	2	99	96.1

* Evaluated by GC

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Phenylacetylene hydrogenation catalyzed by NiNPs(TOP)/2D-BP



Nicat = NiNPs

Nicat = NiNPs/2D-BP (P:Ni = 2)

Time (h)	Conv. (%)*	Selectivity toward styrene(%)*
1	77.9	94.3
2	99	96.1

Time (h)	Conv. (%)*	Selectivity toward styrene(%)*
1	45.4	94.3
2	96.2	94.9

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Recycling the catalyst NiNPs/2D-BP



n	Conversion (%)*	Selectivity towards styrene(%)*
1	96.2	94.9
2	91.9	94.7
3	86.9	95.1
4	73.2	95.2
5	66.6	95.6

^sCatalyst was isolated by centrifugation (6000 rpm x 2 with acetone) before every recycling test

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Future work and perspectives

 \checkmark <u>Evaluate</u> the effective heterogeneity of the studied catalytic system NiNPs/2D-BP (hot filtration tests, leaching tests...) and run a comparison of 2D-BP with other 2D-supports for metal nanoparticles (graphene, carbon nanotubes...).

 \checkmark <u>Explore</u> the catalytic activity of the other nanocomposites, RuNPs/2D-BP, PdNPs/2D-BP and AuNPs/2D-BP in several reactions.

✓ <u>Clarify</u> the nature and strenght of the interactions between TM nanoparticles and 2D-BP, using appropriate instrumental techniques (Raman, XPS spectroscopy ...).

 \checkmark <u>Study</u> the chemical and physical properties of the nanocomposites, in order to <u>expand</u> their uses in other fields (e. g. microelectronics, optoelectronics).

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