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Multifunctional Nanowire/Film Composite-based Bimodular Sensors for In-situ, Real Time High Temperature Gas Detection

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Project Overview

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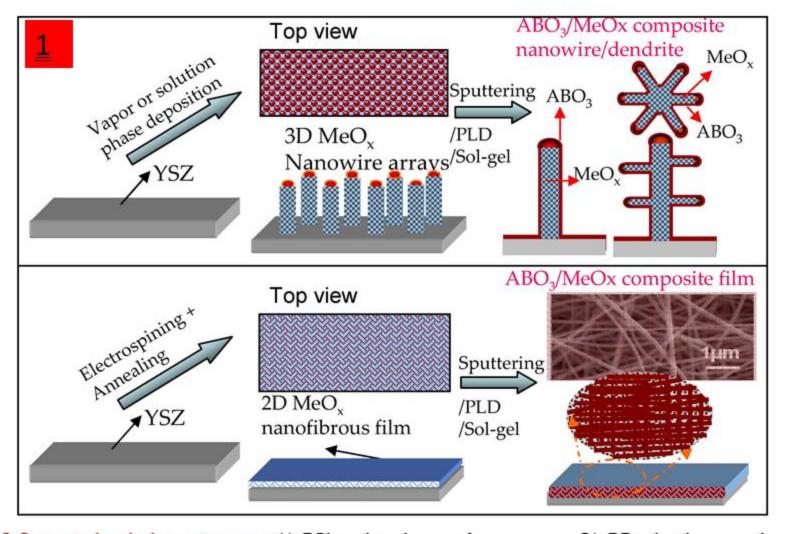
- ---- nanowire arrays based sensors
- ---- nanofibrous films based sensors
- ---- Bimodular sensor fabrication and initial testing

Progress Chart and Deliverables

Project Overview

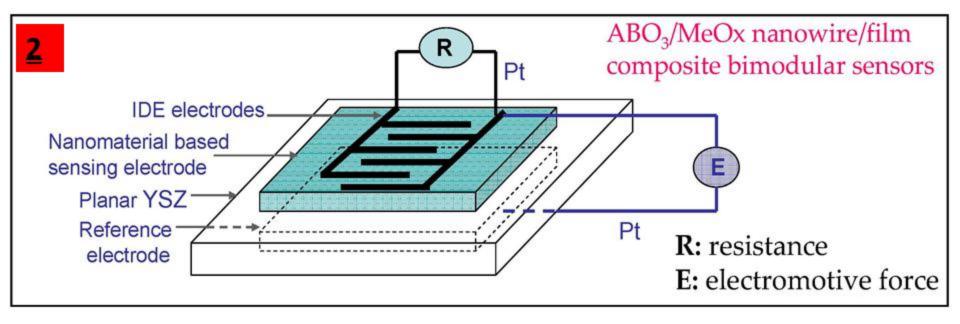
- Date: 10/01/2009 -9/31/2012
- Project Objective:
 - -To develop a unique class of multifunctional metal oxide/perovskite based composite nanosensors for industrial and combustion gas detection at high temperature (700 °C-1300 °C).

Task #1 Nanowire/Nanofilm Composites



Materials Advantages: 1) Ultrahigh surface area; 2) High thermal stability; 3) Strong adherence; 4) Low cost; 5) High tailoring ability

Task #2 In-situ and Real-time Biomodular Gas Sensors

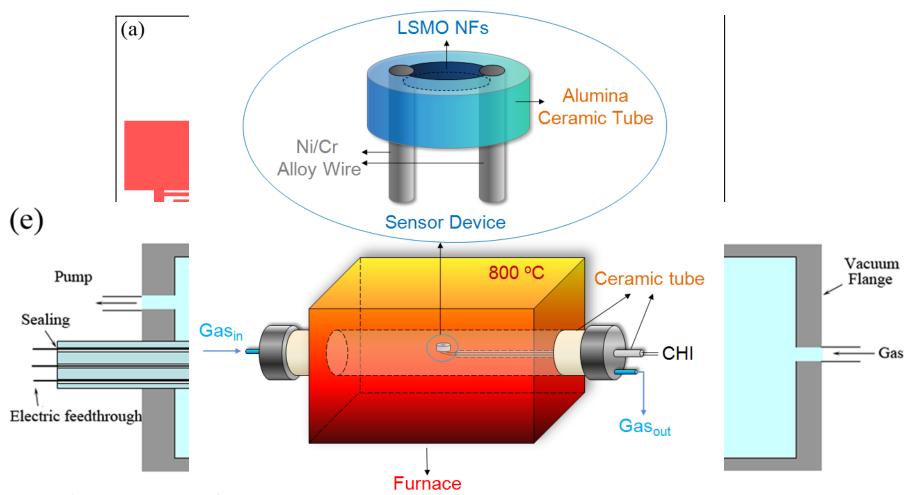


Sensors Advantages: 1) Ultrahigh surface area induce high sensitivity; 2) Catalytic filtering induced selectivity enhancement; 3) High temperature thermal stability; 4) Low cost; 5) High tailoring ability; 6) Two nearly independent measurement data sets (bi-modular)

Year-2 Accomplishments

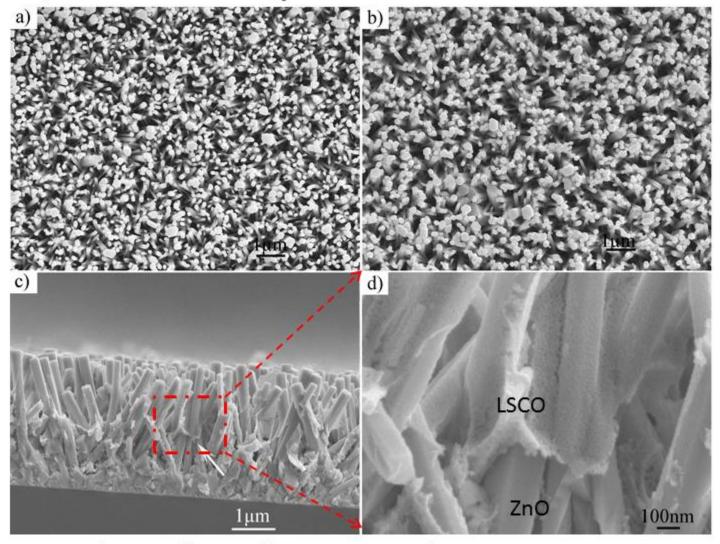
- ✓ Nanowire arrays Sensors (ZnO, ZnO/LSCO)
- ✓ Nanofibrous films Sensors (LSMO, CeO₂, Pt/CeO₂)
- ✓ Initial biomodular sensor fabrication and testing on nanowires/films (NiO/Pt, ZnO/Pt)

Electrodes and high temperature sensor testing setup



Liu et al., 2012, RSC Advances, In press. Gao et al., 2012, In preparation.

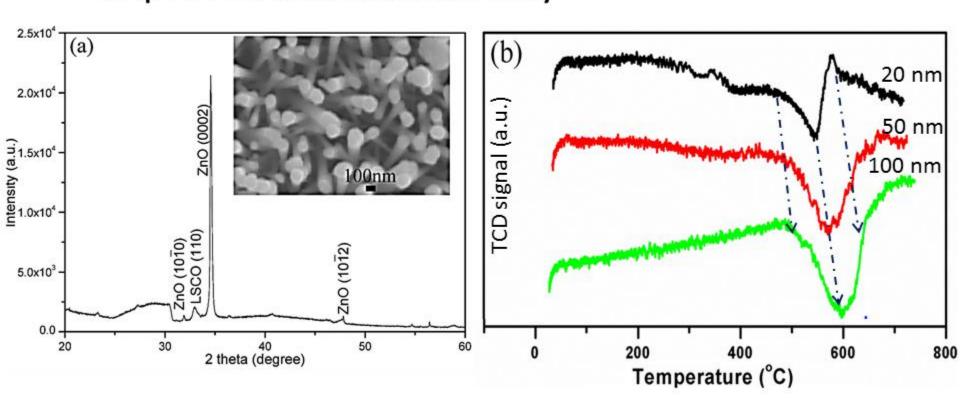
ZnO/LSCO composite nanowire arrays



Gao et al., 2010, J. Phys. D., (fast track communication)

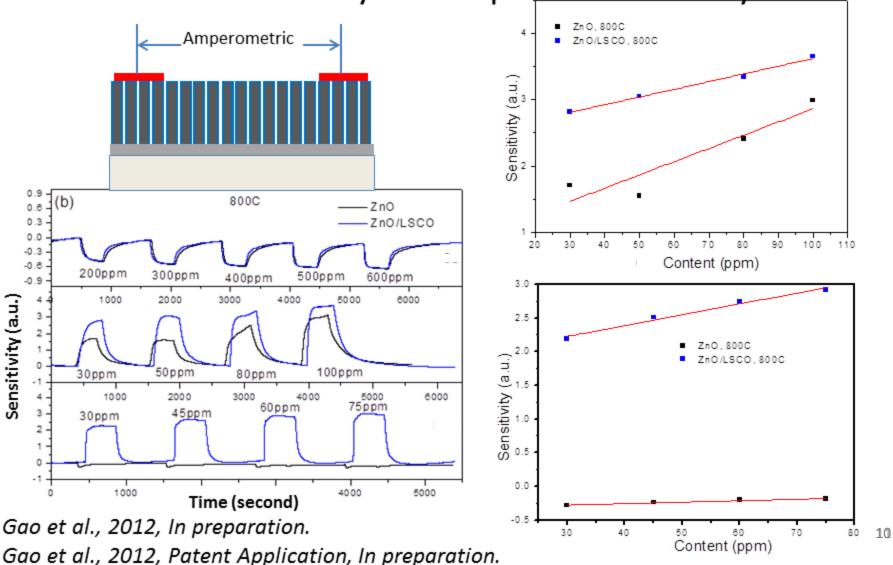
Thermal stability under reducing atmosphere

Improved thermal stability



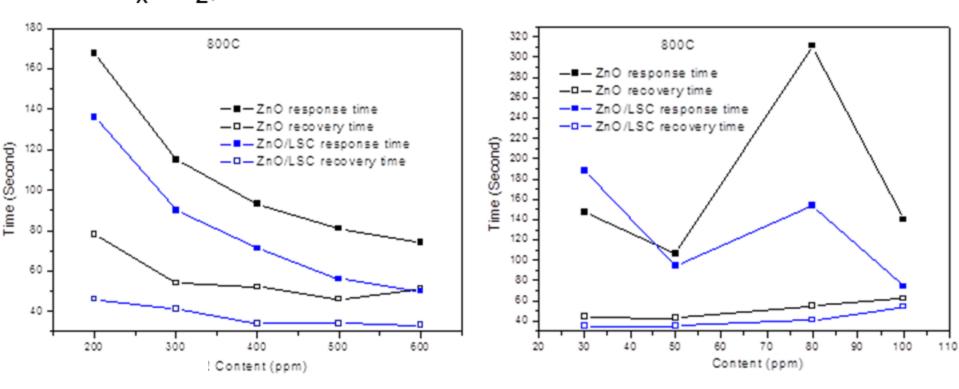
ZnO and ZnO/LSCO nanowire Sensors

Excellent reversibility and Improved Sensitivity



ZnO and ZnO/LSCO nanowire sensors

 Improved response and recovery (O₂, CO, SO_x, NO_x, H₂)



Response and recovery: tens of seconds faster in ZnO/LSCO than ZnO.

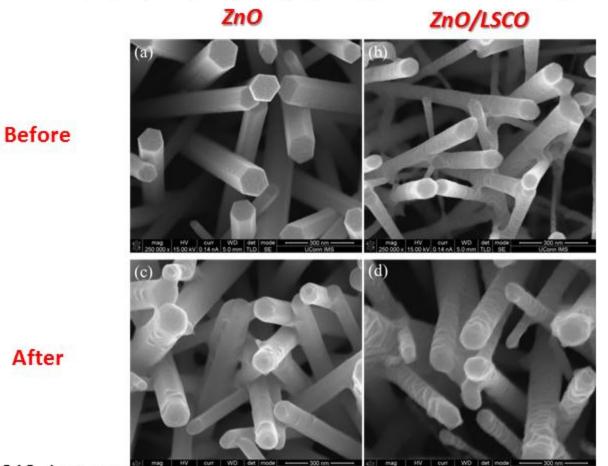
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ZnO/LSCO nanowire sensors:

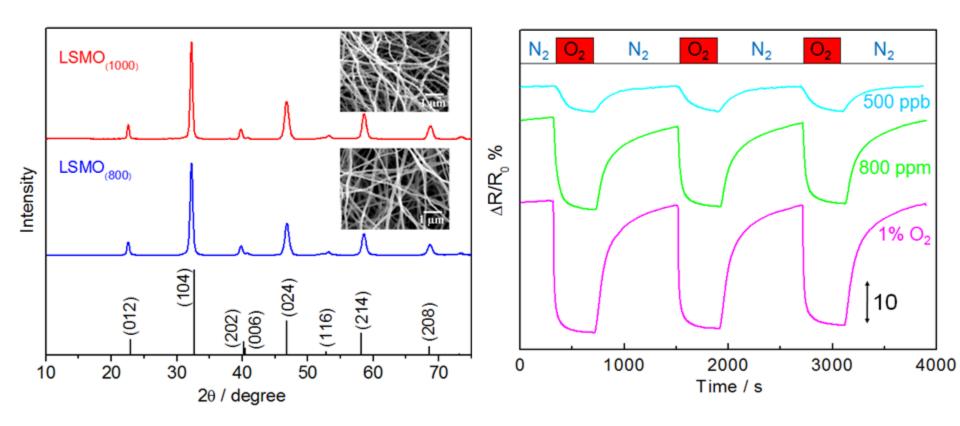
Thermal stability

- Early ambient results: ZnO/LSCO showed great structure and chemical stability up to 1000 °C for 24 hours.
- Before and after 800 °C gas sensor test for a few days under multiple gaseous atmosphere (O₂, N₂, CO, CO₂, SO_x, H₂, NO_x) with cyclic ramping and cooling history.

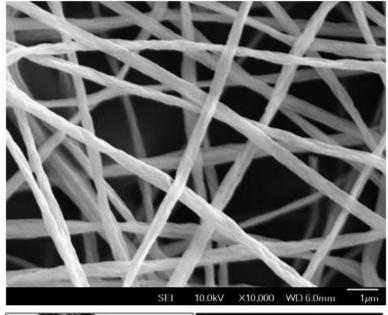


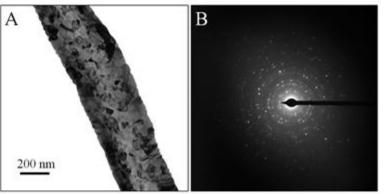
(La,Sr)MnO₃ nanofibers sensors

High temperature stability and sensing performance

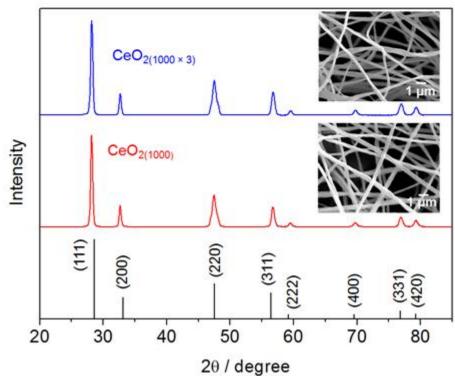


CeO₂ nanofibers sensors – Characterization





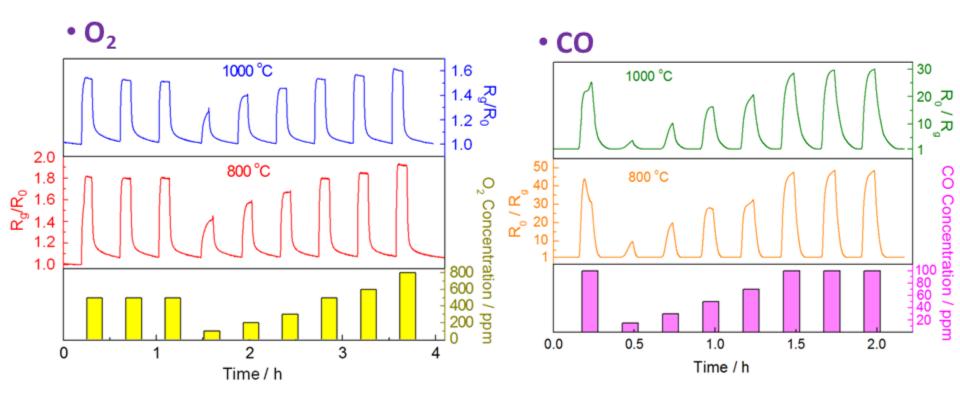
- CeO₂₍₁₀₀₀₎ NFs: electrospinning calcined at 1000 °C for 3 h
- CeO_{2(1000×3)} NFs : heating/cooling cycle 1000°C - T_{room} (3 times)



Liu et al., 2012, RSC Advances, Submitted

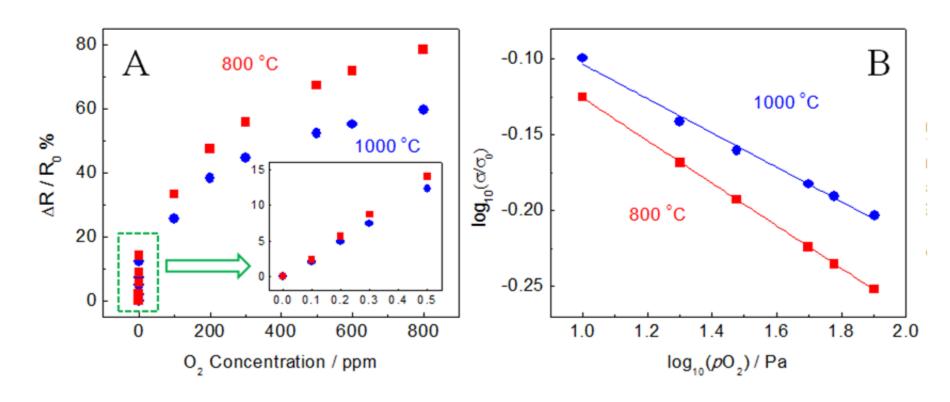
CeO₂ nanofibers sensors – O₂ & CO sensing

800 °C and 1000 °C

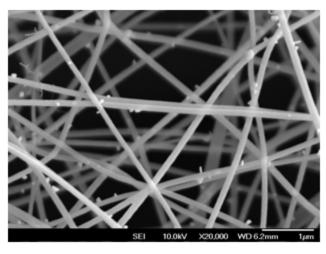


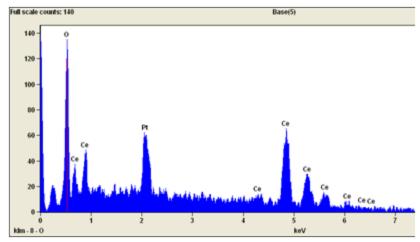
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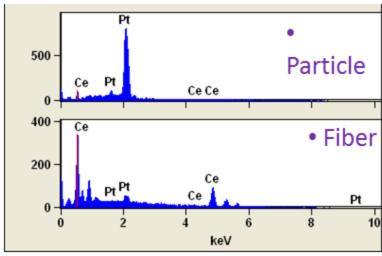
O₂: Calibration curves

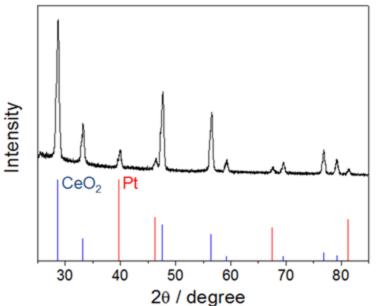


Pt-CeO₂ nanofibers – Characterization





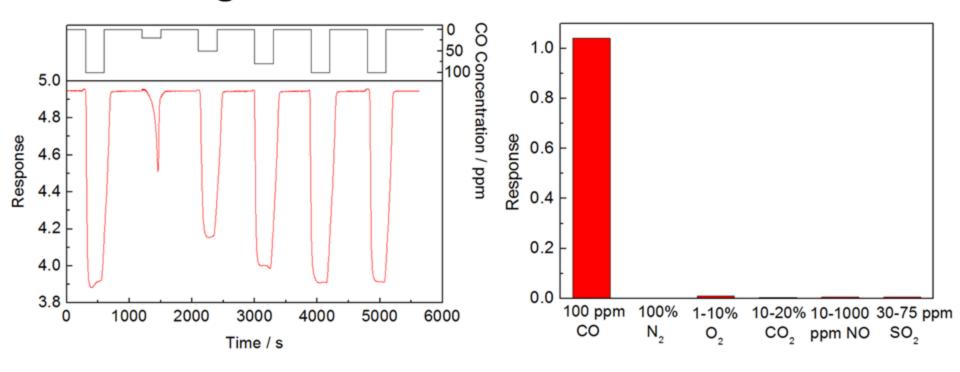




Pt-CeO₂ nanofibers sensors

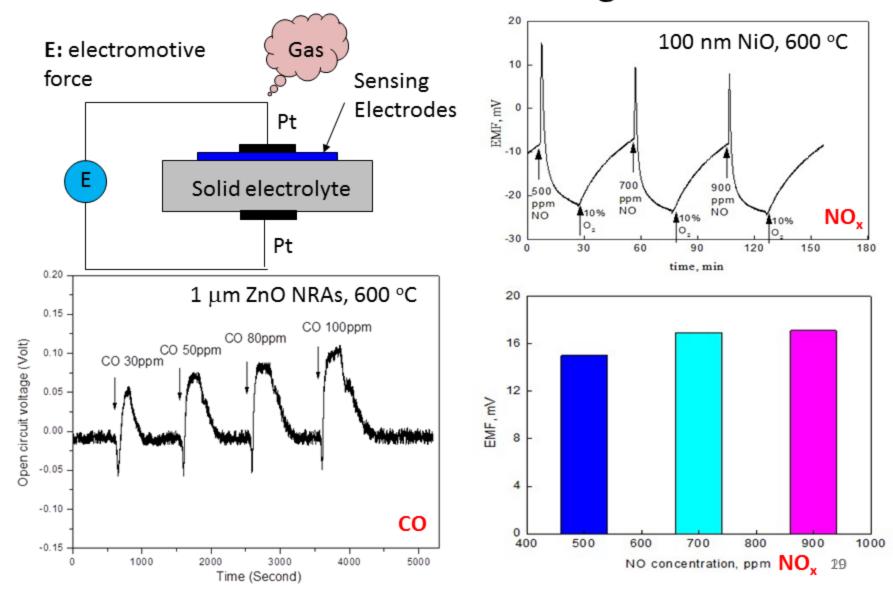
Highly selective CO detection

800 °C gas detection



Liu et al., 2012, Anal. Chem., In preparation Liu et al., 2012. Patent Application, In preparation

Nanostructured bimodular sensor platform Potentiometric testing



Project Deliverables

ID	Title/Description	Planned Completion Date	Finished? (Y/N)
D1	Quarterly Report	1/30/09	Y
D2	Quarterly Report	04/30/10	Y
D3	Quarterly Report	07/30/10	Y
D4	Quarterly Report	10/30/10	Y
D5	Quarterly Report	1/30/11	Y
D6	Draft Final Report – BP1	2/02/11	Y
D7	Final Report – BP1	4/30/11	Y
D8	Quarterly Report	7/30/11	Y
D9	Quarterly Report	10/30/11	Y
D10	Quarterly Report	1/30/12	Y
D11	Draft Final Report – BP2	03/30/12	
D12	Quarterly Report	4/30/12	
D13	Quarterly Report	7/30/12	
D14	Final Report – BP2	10/30/12	20

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