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## **3D** Graphene-based bio-cathode for Carbon dioxide reduction in Microbial Electrosynthesis

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Microbial electrosynthesis (MES) is an attractive strategy to utilize carbon dioxide as a carbon source and electron from externally polarized cathode for the synthesis of multi-carbon chemical commodities. This technology is one of the efficient technologies for sequestration and conversion of carbon dioxide into the organic chemical. The electro-autotrophic bacteria fix  $CO_2$  via Wood-Ljungdahl pathway and accept electrons from the cathode. This technology mainly depends on the performance of the electro-autotrophic bacteria; cathode material and reactor set up for the enhancement of microbe-electrode electron transfer. For the first time, we reported the catalytic activity of three-dimensional graphene-based electrodes in microbial electrosynthesis (MES) for Carbon dioxide gas reduction in pure culture platform. The carbon felt was modified with three-dimensional graphene for the enhancement of electron transfer in microbial electrosynthesis. The three-dimensional graphene-enhanced the adherence of bacterial cell on the electrode interface and formed the thick biofilm and hence production rate was increased by fivefold compared to the unmodified electrode

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