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Multiwalled Carbon Nanotube Electrode and a Method of Synthesis Thereof

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Problem Statement

- Existing Multiwalled carbon nanotubes synthesis methods yield insufficient MWCNTs, hindering scalability and cost-efficiency.
- The use of expensive catalysts drives up production costs, limiting market competition.
- Current technologies struggle to achieve high capacities and durable batteries, hindering their adoption in various applications.
- Traditional sensor fabrication method is complex and time-taking, limiting widespread adoption of sensitive & reliable sensor technology.
- The absence of standardized protocols and quality control measures in MWCNT production leads to varying product quality, challenging industry adoption & regulatory compliance.
- Hence, the instant invention is needed to address these issues by disclosing a scalable & costeffective method to synthesize high yield Multiwalled Carbon Nanotube Electrode.

Technology Category/ Market

Categories: Micro & Nano Technologies | Energy, Energy Storage & Renewable Energy Industry: Electronics and sensors, Energy, Healthcare, Aerospace, Automotive Applications: Lithium-ion battery, Biosensors,

Fuel cells, Nanoelectronics, Strain Sensors The global multi-walled Market: carbon nanotubes market size is expected to grow from \$5.25 Billion in 2021 to \$10.74 Billion by 2028, rising at 10.8% CAGR from 2021-2028.

Technology

A method for Multiwalled Carbon Nanotubes (MWCNTS) Electrode synthesis is disclosed here. FIG. 1 illustrates a schematic diagram of a reactor useful for catalytically synthesizing MWCNTs.

FIG. 2A & 2B depict low and high resolution SEM images of MWCNTs synthesized using LPG.

FIG. 2C & 2D depict low and high resolution SEM images of MWCNTs synthesized using acetylene.



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Key Features / Value Proposition

User perspective:-

- •High-performance, long-lasting batteries with enhanced energy storage capabilities.
- •Reliable and efficient biosensors for accurate and sensitive detection. Versatile strain sensors for precise and real-time monitoring.

Industrial perspective:-

- •Cost-effective production method for large-scale manufacturing.
- Increased production yield and purity, reducing overall production costs.
- •Enhanced competitiveness and market potential in various industries.

Technology perspective:-

•Cutting-edge synthesis technique utilizing advanced catalyst and substrate materials.

•Optimization of reaction parameters for superior MWCNTs quality and properties.

FIG. 3A depicts results of Nitrogen adsorption (filled symbols)/desorption (empty symbols) isotherms and BJH pore-size distribution curves for MWCNTs synthesized using acetylene.

FIG. 3B depicts results of Nitrogen adsorption (filled symbols)/desorption (empty symbols) isotherms and BJH pore-size distribution curves for MWCNTs synthesized using LPG.



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