

# A Flexible Portable Glucose Sensor Based on Hierarchical Arrays of Au@Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub> Nanograss

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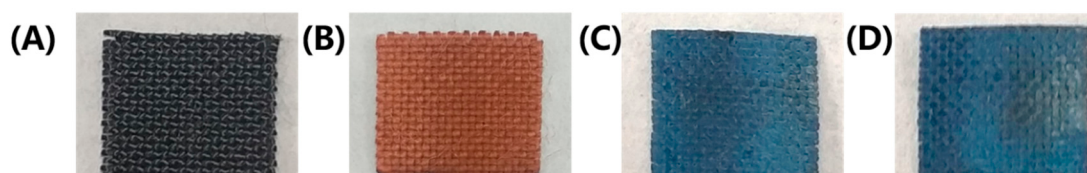
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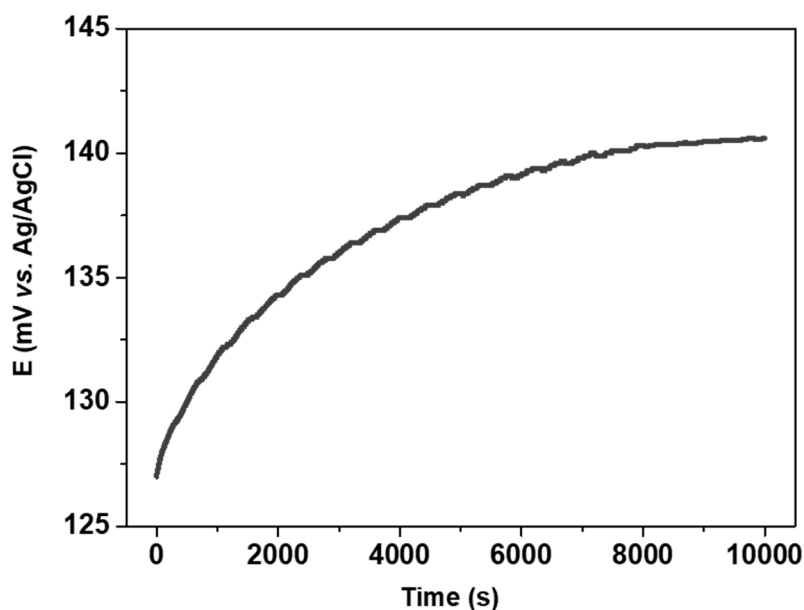
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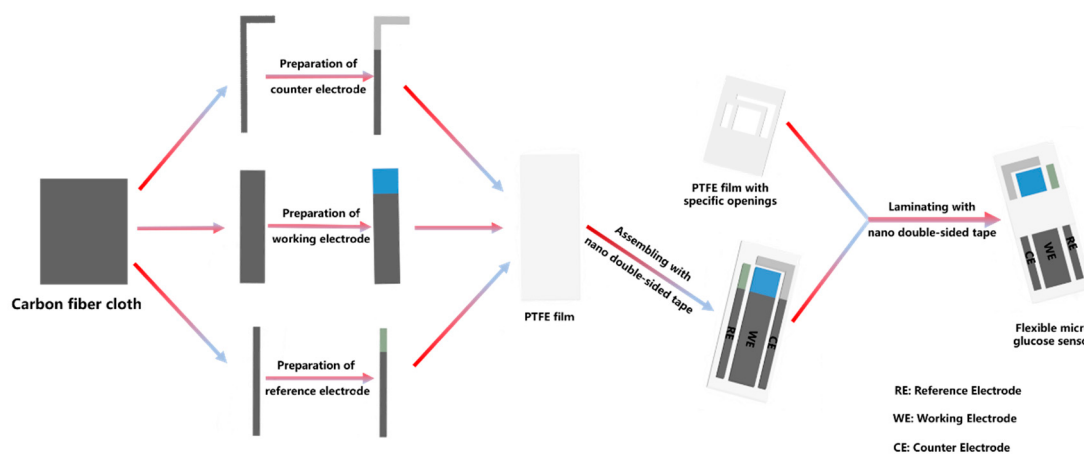
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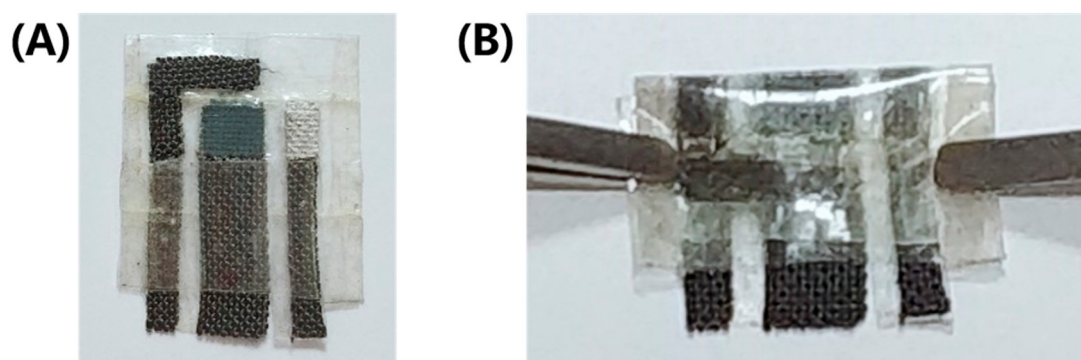
**Figure S1.** Optical images of (A) CFC, (B) Cu/CFC, (C) Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub>/CFC (D) Au@Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub>/CFC.



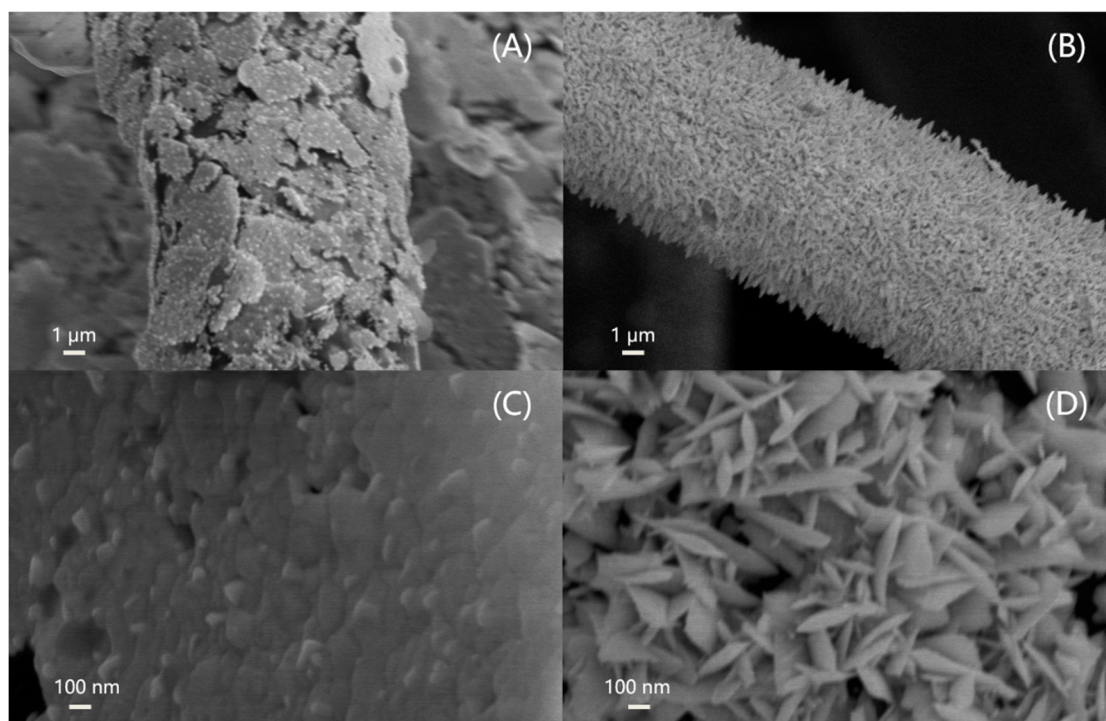
**Figure S2.** Open circuit potential (OCP) between deposited Ag/AgCl/CFC electrode and a commercial Ag/AgCl (3 M KCl) reference electrode in electrolyte solution with 0.1 M KOH and 0.01 M KCl.



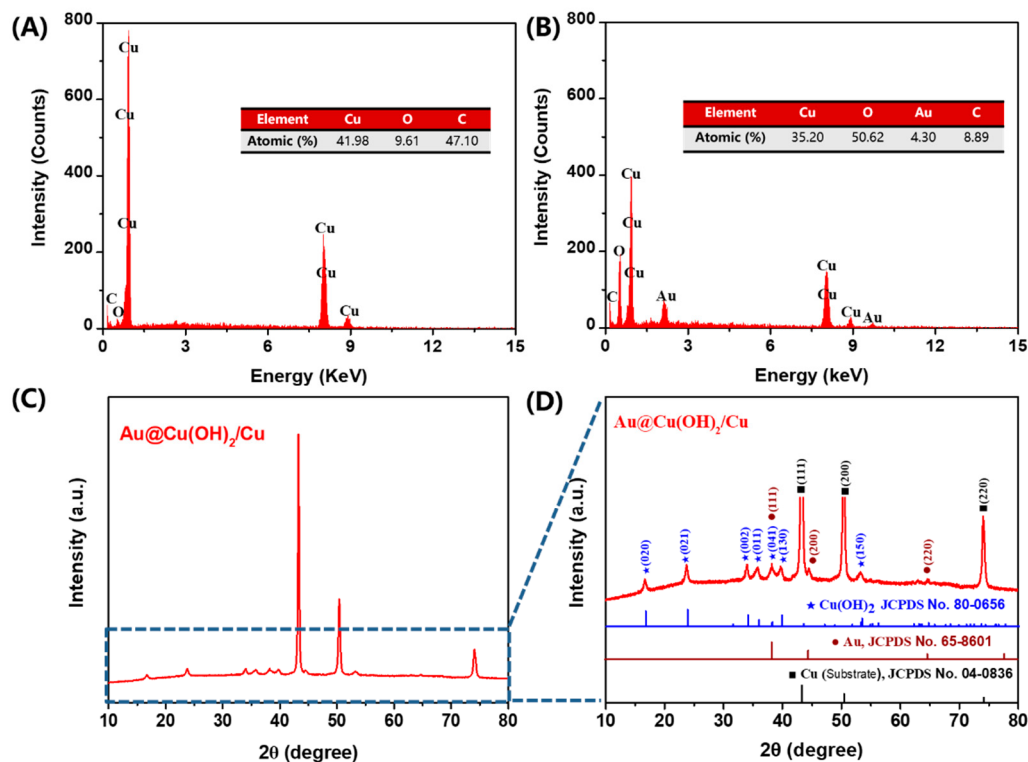
**Figure S3.** Schematic illustration of the fabrication process for the flexible micro glucose sensor.



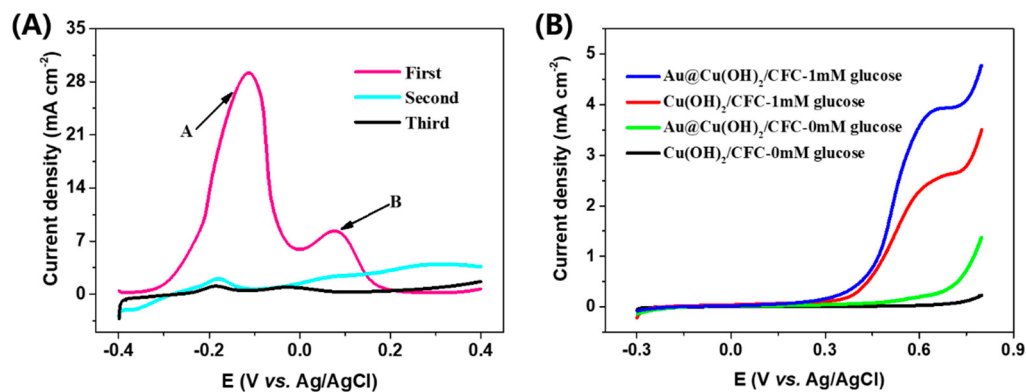
**Figure S4.** Optical images of the (A) original and (B) folded flexible micro glucose sensor.



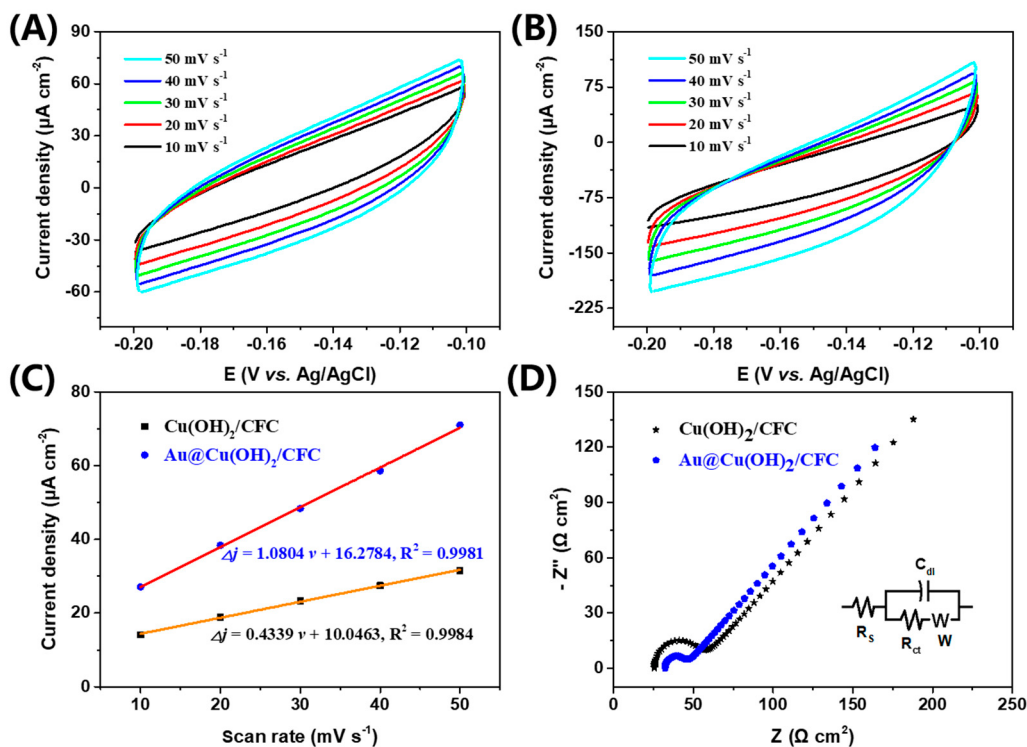
**Figure S5.** Low-magnification SEM images of (A) Ag/AgCl/CFC and (B) Pt/CFC, and High-magnification SEM images of (C) Ag/AgCl/CFC and (D) Pt/CFC.



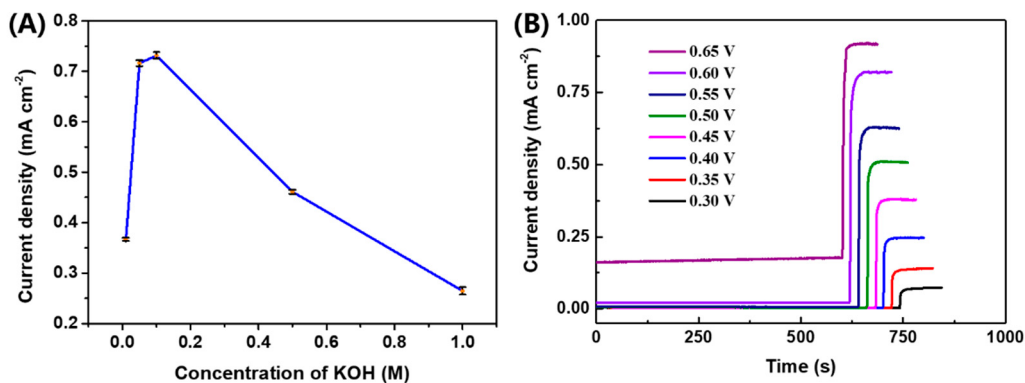
**Figure S6.** EDS patterns of (A) Cu/CFC and (B) Au@Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub>/CFC, XRD patterns of (C) Au@Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub>/Cu plate and (D) The magnification of (C).



**Figure S7.** LSV curves of (A) fabricating Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub> samples, from -0.4 V to 0.4 V with 3 mV s<sup>-1</sup> sweeping rate in 1 M KOH resolution for three times, (B) the Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub>/CFC and Au@Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub>/CFC sensors in 0.1 M KOH and 0.01 M KCl solution without and with 1 mM glucose.



**Figure S8.** CVs for (A) Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub>/CFC and (B) Au@Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub>/CFC sensors with different scan rates (10–50 mV s<sup>-1</sup>) in 0.1 M KOH and 0.01 M KCl solution, (C) The capacitive current densities-scan rates calibration plots of the two sensors at -0.15 V ( $\Delta j_{-0.15V} = (j_a - j_c)/2$ ), (D) Nyquist plots of Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub>/CFC and Au@Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub>/CFC sensors in 0.1 M KCl electrolyte with 5 mM K<sub>3</sub>[Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>] and 5 mM K<sub>4</sub>[Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>], inset is equivalent Randle circuit for the two cases.



**Figure S9.** (A) The line chart of chronoamperometric current response of Au@Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub>/CFC towards 0.10 mM glucose in different concentration KOH (0.01 to 1.00 M) and 0.01 M KCl solution at 0.60V. The maximum RSD is 2.8%. (B) The chronoamperometric current response of Au@Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub>/CFC towards 0.10 mM glucose in 0.1 M KOH and 0.01 M KCl solution at different potentials (ranging from 0.30 to 0.65 V).

**Table S1.** The comparison of glucose sensing performances based on various composites which reported previously. SPE: screen printed electrode, GCE: glassy carbon electrode, rGO: reduced graphene oxide, PGF: porous graphene foam, MWCNTs: multi-walled carbon nanotubes array.

| Electrode                             | Detection Method | Response time (s) | Sensitivity       | Detection limit ( $\mu\text{M}$ ) | Linear range (mM) | Cost      | Refs      |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| GQDs                                  | Optical          | ~                 | 0.012*            | 3000                              | 4–40              | Very high | [1]       |
| polymer optode                        | Optical          | 900 ~             | 0.2*              | 1000                              | 1–19              | Very high | [2]       |
| nanoporous pigments                   | Colorimetric     | 30                | -                 | 1000                              | 2–50              | high      | [3]       |
| Polymer Gel                           | Colorimetric     | 10 <sup>4</sup> ~ | -                 | 5000                              | 5–8               | high      | [4]       |
| Au-CuO/rGO/SPE                        | LSV              | 10                | 2.36 <sup>#</sup> | 0.100                             | 0.0001–12         | low       | [5]       |
| CuO/GCE-Nafion                        | Amperometry      | 5                 | 0.47 <sup>#</sup> | 0.016                             | 1–10              | low       | [6]       |
| Cu <sub>2</sub> O/graphene nanosheets | Amperometry      | 5                 | 0.29              | 3.300                             | 0.3–3.3           | low       | [7]       |
| Cu(OH) <sub>2</sub> nanotubes         | Amperometry      | 5                 | 0.42 <sup>#</sup> | 0.500                             | up to 3           | low       | [8]       |
| CuO/rGO/GCE                           | Amperometry      | 5                 | 1.36 <sup>#</sup> | 0.700                             | 0.002–4           | low       | [9]       |
| CuO/carbon spheres                    | Amperometry      | 5                 | 2.98 <sup>#</sup> | 0.100                             | 0.0005–2.3        | low       | [10]      |
| CuO-MWCNTs                            | Amperometry      | 2                 | 2.19 <sup>#</sup> | 0.800                             | 0.2–3             | low       | [11]      |
| Cu(OH) <sub>2</sub> /PGF              | Amperometry      | 10                | 3.36 <sup>#</sup> | 1.200                             | 0.00012–6         | low       | [12]      |
| CuO arrays/nanoporous Cu              | Amperometry      | 3                 | 1.62 <sup>#</sup> | 0.200                             | 0.0005–5.0        | low       | [13]      |
| Au@Cu(OH) <sub>2</sub> /CFC           | Amperometry      | 5                 | 7.35 <sup>#</sup> | 0.027                             | 0.1–3.3           | low       | This work |

\* mM per percent change of fluorescence intensity, <sup>#</sup> mA mM<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>.

**Table S2.** Influence of common interfering species on the determination of glucose with Au@Cu(OH)<sub>2</sub>/CFC in 0.1 M KOH and 0.01 M KCl solution.

| Label | Analyte                         | Tested Concentration(mM) | Current Response (%) |
|-------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| -     | Glucose                         | 0.1                      | 100                  |
| a     | Maltose                         | 0.01                     | 3.46                 |
| b     | Fructose                        | 0.01                     | 3.79                 |
| c     | Uric acid (UA)                  | 0.01                     | 1.13                 |
| d     | Dopamine (DA)                   | 0.01                     | 1.93                 |
| e     | Ascorbic acid (AA)              | 0.01                     | 3.83                 |
| f     | Cysteine                        | 0.01                     | 2.29                 |
| g     | Acetaminophen                   | 0.01                     | 0.04                 |
| h     | KCl                             | 1                        | 1.80                 |
| i     | Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> | 1                        | 1.56                 |

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