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Graphene Application for OLED Display

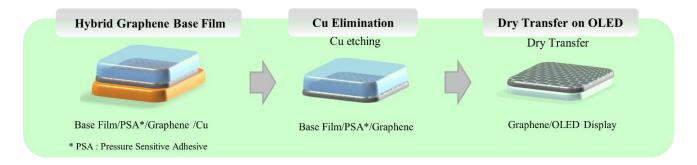
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Graphical Abstract



Abstract

Graphene material has been promising material for flexible optoelectronic devices because of its promising material properties. Several research groups have demonstrated potentials of graphene for various flexible devices such as touch-screen sensors, organic light-emitting diodes and organic photovoltaic devices [1]. However, Graphene material still has some hurdles to overcome for the success of commercialization in display industry.

From the commercial perspective, I'd like to report our achievements on probable application fields of graphene for OLED displays. Specifically, I want to highlight the application of graphene as a transparent electrode for OLED displays because of its superior optical, mechanical and electrical material properties. In addition, I'd like to demonstrate flexible OLED lighting device using graphene materials as one of the encapsulation layers which have great potentials for the application of flexible OLED encapsulation. Through this work, we are able to confirm the possibility that the unique mechanical flexibility combined with barrier property of graphene could replace inorganic materials which have been widely used in OLED encapsulations. We use the dry transfer coating of the graphene barrier films on OLED device on flexible substrate at room temperature using a roll-to-roll process which can be widely used to protect various light emitting materials for next generation displays. I also briefly mention other possible application fields of graphene for OLED displays.

In addition, I'd like to suggest some requirements and specifications of graphene material for OLED display application. In order to achieve the real commercialization of graphene for next generation OLED displays, Graphene material must overcome some hindrances such as graphene's film quality after transferring, poor adhesion, impurity control of graphene film fabrication, higher sheet resistance.



Keywords: Graphene material; OLED Display; OLED electrode; OLED encapsulation; commercialization of graphene.

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