

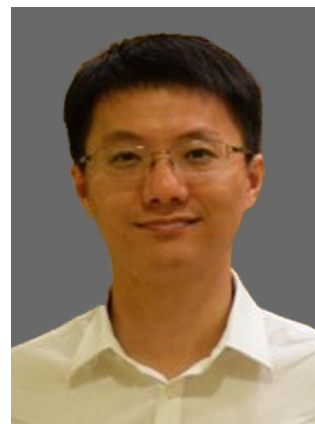


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ABSTRACT (NO MORE THAN 500 WORDS:)

Wearable electronics plays an important role in the realization of health monitoring and rehabilitation, Internet of Things (IoTs), and soft robotics. These wearable devices and systems should be highly flexible, stretchable and even washable. In addition, they should be comfortable to wear in a long term. This talk will discuss the recent development of conductive textile materials and their applications in wearable electronics. In particular, we will discuss 1) the development of highly conductive, flexible and washable conductive fibers, yarns and fabrics through polymer-assisted metal deposition (PAMD), that can be used for a wide range of wearable sensory and energy-storage uses; and 2) the development of highly permeable stretchable conductors, namely liquid metal fiber mat (LMFM), which enables long-term wearable and 3D monolithic stretchable electronics.

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