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| Å                              | Angstrom                                  |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Au                             | Gold                                      |
| Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | Alumina                                   |
| at%                            | atomic %                                  |
| C                              | Amount of carbon                          |
| cm                             | Centimeter                                |
| cm <sup>3</sup> /min           | Cubic centimeter per minute               |
| CRT                            | Cathode-Ray Tube                          |
| CVD                            | Chemical Vapor Deposition                 |
| °C                             | Degrees Celsius                           |
| $\mathbf{d}_{\mathbf{hkl}}$    | Interplanar distance between (hkl) planes |
| d                              | the lattice planar spacing or thickness   |
| $d_{ m EM}$                    | different primary particle sizes          |
| СВ                             | Conduction Band                           |
| СВ                             | Chlorobenzene                             |
| d <sub>BET</sub>               | BET-particle diameter                     |
| e                              | Electron                                  |
| eV                             | Electron Volt                             |
| E                              | binding energy                            |
| $E_0$                          | Energy of ground state                    |
| E <sub>b</sub>                 | Binding energy                            |
| E <sub>F</sub>                 | Fermi level                               |
| Eg                             | Optical band gap of the semiconductor     |
| E <sub>CB</sub>                | Conduction band energy                    |
| E <sub>VB</sub>                | Valence band energy                       |
|                                |   |

ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

Energy of vacuum level  $E_{vac}$ FF Fill factor **EPMA** Electron probe micro-analysis by X-ray grams/liter g/L Hour h Plank's constant ( $6.63 \times 10^{-34}$  Js), hour H**HMDSO** Hexamethyldisiloxane номо Highest occupied molecular orbital hν Photon energy  $h^+$ Hole Intensity of the incident beam  $I_0$ Ι Intensity of the transmittance Short circuit current J<sub>SC</sub> ITO Indium-tin oxide **IUPAC** International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry **JCPDS** Joint Committee Powder Diffraction Standards Κ Kelvin keV Kilo electron volt kV Kilo-volt Lowest unoccupied molecular orbital LUMO L/min Liter per minute М Mol per liter Milligram mg Minute min Milliliter mL m<sup>2</sup> Square meter Millisiemen mS Order of diffraction

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| Na                            | Avogadro's number $(6.02 \times 10^{23})$          |
|-------------------------------|--|
| O <sub>2</sub>                | Oxygen gas   |
| •O <sub>2</sub>               | Superoxide radical                                 |
| •ОН                           | Hydroxyl radical                                   |
| rpm                           | Revolution per minute                              |
| R <sub>0</sub>                | Resistance in air                                  |
| Rg                            | Resistance when the gas is present                 |
| Т                             | Transmittance                                      |
| $T_{\rm rec}$                 | Recovery time                                      |
| T <sub>res</sub>              | Response time                                      |
| VB                            | Valence band                                       |
| V <sub>OC</sub>               | Open circuit voltage                               |
| V <sub>m</sub> I <sub>m</sub> | The maximum deliverable power                      |
|                               | The volume of gas adsorbed at STP per unit mass of |
|                               | adsorbent, when the surface is covered by a        |
| $V_{ m m}$                    | unimolecule layer of adsorbate                     |
| Ζ                             | Atomic number                                      |
| λ                             | Wavelength   |
| μg                            | Microgram (10 <sup>-6</sup> g)                     |
| μg C                          | Microgram of carbon                                |
| μm                            | Micron ( $10^{-6}$ meter)                          |
| μ <sub>s</sub>                | Electron mobility at the surface                   |
| μS/cm                         | MicroSiemens /square centimeter                    |
|                               | Absorptivity                                       |
| ε                             | The permittivity of the vacuum                     |
| θ                             | The Bragg angle for the reflection                 |
| rivent                        | Frequency 2 All Preventies TV                      |
| η                             | Power conversion efficiency                        |
| rig                           | hts reserved                                       |
|                               |  |