

# **Data collected during the execution of an NWO-XS grant “Innovative single-step approach to printable and flexible diamond sensors”**

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This dataset includes:

## **1. Raman spectroscopy**

- Raman spectra of boron-doped diamond (BDD) powders (commercially obtained from Boromond and Ultrahard China) were collected at room temperature using a Horiba LabRAM HR spectrometer equipped with an x, y, z moving stage.
- Excitation source: a Cobolt fandango 50 argon-ion laser operating at 514 nm wavelength and 50 mW.
- Range: from 200 to 1800  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

## **2. Scanning electron microscopy (SEM)**

- JEOL scanning electron microscope (JEOL-JSM6010LA) operating at an acceleration voltage of 5 and 20 kV.
- Prior to measurements, samples (filaments, 3D-printed electrodes) were coated with a thin layer of gold using a JEOL JFC-1300 auto fine coater to enhance the conductivity during the measurement.
- SEM also used to investigate both BDD powders (particle size and shape).

## **3. Digital microscopy**

- Optical images were taken with a Keyence Digital Microscope VHX-6000.
- The filament cross-section images - *x30 objective lens* and the images of the electrode surfaces - *x50 and x100 objective lens*.

#### 4. Particle size distribution

- The particle-size distribution of both BDD powders was measured by laser light scattering using a Malvern Mastersizer 3000 instrument with a Hydro SM wet sample dispersion unit.
- BDD powder was dispersed in deionized water and added to the wet dispersion unit.

#### 5. Mechanical measurements

- Uniaxial tensile tests performed using a Zwick & Roell tensile testing machine with a constant pulling rate of 20 mm/min.
- Yield and stiffness properties were evaluated from three specimens.
- Printed composite samples were dumbbell-shaped with dimensions according to the ASTM D-638 (type V).

#### 6. Electrical measurements

- The electrical properties investigated using a digital multimeter (Votcraft CV820-1) equipped with two probes.
- The probes were manually positioned at fixed distances on the composite filaments and samples, and the obtained resistances were converted to volume resistivity.

#### 7. Electrochemical measurements

- All performed using an Autolab PGSTAT 128N controlled by Nova 2.1 software under laboratory conditions (23 °C).
- Conventional 3-electrode setup: working electrode (WE) – a 3D-printed composite electrode, reference electrode – a silver-silver chloride electrode, counter electrode – a platinum wire.
- WE placed in a 25 mm x 25 mm sample holder with a 1 cm<sup>2</sup> aperture.
- Cyclic voltammetry (CV) conducted in the solutions of 0.5 M KNO<sub>3</sub> (to estimate double-layer capacitance), 1mM [Ru(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>3+/2+</sup> and 1mM [Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>3-/4-</sup>, both in 0.5 M KNO<sub>3</sub> (to assess electro transfer rate kinetics), using various scan rates.
- For the detection of dopamine (1 mM, in 10 mM phosphate buffered saline of pH 7.4), differential pulse voltammetry (DPV) was used. Scans were recorded using a pulse amplitude of +25 mV, pulse width of 50 ms, potential step of 2.5 mV and a scan rate of 5 mV/s.