

UV Irradiation Unit



It is a device that hydrophilizes graphene by UV ozone treatment with good controllability.

By hydrophilization with this device, a thin and uniform layer of vitreous ice can be formed on graphene.

It is ideal for hydrophilization treatment for LT-TEM observation using bilayer graphene TEM grid.

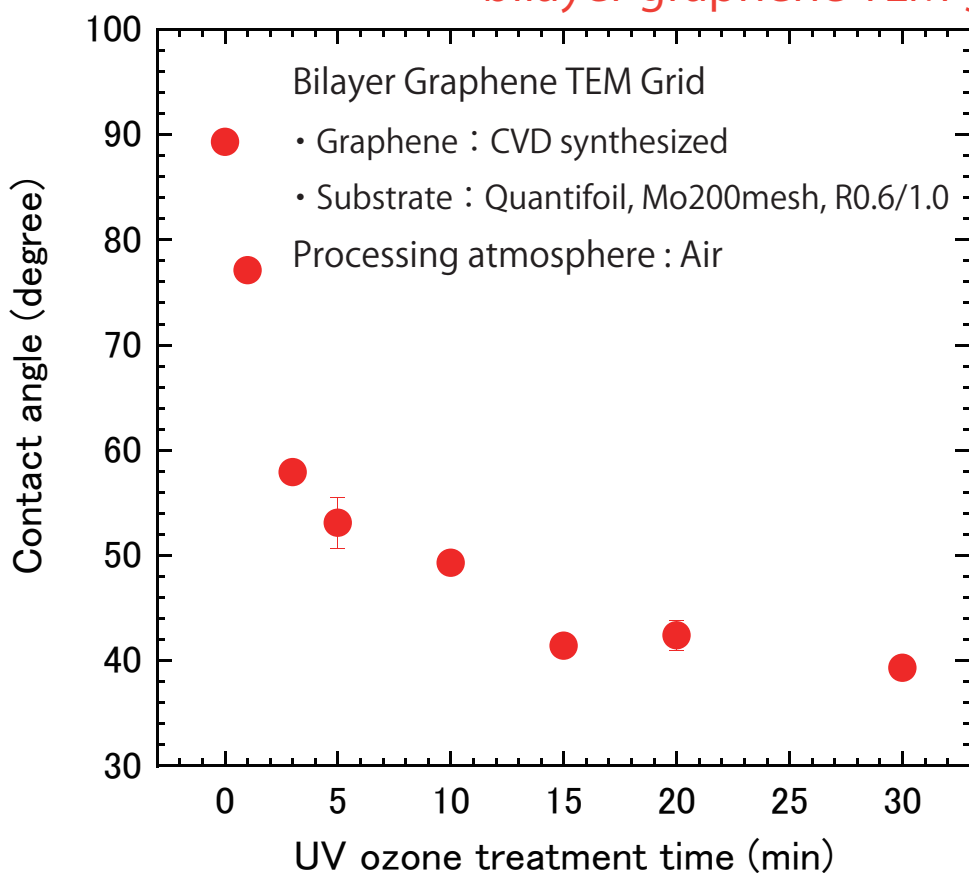
Main specifications

Light Source	Low pressure mercury lamp wavelength : 184.9nm, 253.7nm	Flowmeter (Air/N ₂)	Max. flow rate: 20L/MIN Max. working pressure: 0.5MPa
Dimensions	W320mmxD343mmxH318mm	Operation settings	Touch panel
Power Supply	AC100V,2A (With earth leakage breaker)	Device weight	About 16kg

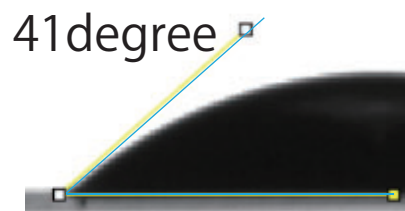
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UV ozone treatment time dependence of water contact angle of bilayer graphene TEM grid



0 min



20 min

Features : This device is a UV irradiation unit for hydrophilization treatment of bilayer graphene TEM grid. UV irradiation at 184.9 nm and 253.7 nm generates ozone and makes graphene hydrophilic. Graphene is naturally water repellent, making it difficult to form the thin, uniform ice layer needed for low-temperature TEM observations. On the other hand, the UV ozone treatment by this device is highly controllable, so it is possible to make only the upper layer of bilayer graphene hydrophilic in about 15 minutes. This allows a thin, uniform layer of ice to form on graphene and embed low temperature TEM observation samples. In addition, since there is almost no damage to the lower layer of bilayer graphene, the original electrical and thermal conductivity of graphene is maintained, and stable low-temperature TEM observation is possible.

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