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## Fabrication and characterization of PEI/TaS2 LbL multilayer films

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PEI/TaS<sub>2</sub> LbL multilayer films were assembled by the layer-by-layer (LbL) technique from TaS<sub>2</sub> nanosheet colloids. The LbL technique is applicable to a wide variety of materials with charges, and is fabricated without special instruments. TaS<sub>2</sub> has a layered structure with negative layer charges. Li was intercalated into TaS<sub>2</sub> to prepare Li<sub>x</sub>TaS<sub>2</sub>. Exfoliation of TaS<sub>2</sub> was carried out by sonicating Li<sub>x</sub>TaS<sub>2</sub> in water. Polyethyleneimine (PEI, MW=75000, 50 wt.% solutions in water) was adopted as cationic polyelectrolyte to assemble LbL multilayer films. The X-ray diffraction patterns shows that the (001) diffraction peak was observed at 9.6° (d=0.92 nm),

which means the interlayer of  $TaS_2$  was spread by 0.32 nm. Observed  $\Delta c$ =0.32 nm is almost as same as PEI monolayer. The calculated crystallite size from (001) diffraction peak was 12.2 nm. Since the thickness of one layer of the PEI/ $TaS_2$  LbL multilayer film is about 1 nm, 12 nm is just equal to the LbL repeated times. The electrical characterization of PEI/ $TaS_2$  LbL multilayer film will be discussed in details.

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