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Semiconducting single wall carbon nanotubes inverstigated by photoconductivity and electromodulation spectroscopy

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Using semiconducting single wall carbon nanotubes with well defined chiral index (n,m), the photo-carrier generation mechanisms (essential in photoconductor and photovoltaic devices) and the Stark effects (essential in non-linear optical and electro-optical effects) have been investigated by photoconductivity and electromodulation spectroscopy. This achievement was made possible, because very recently, we have developed a technique which selectively extract semiconducting SWNT with a limited extent of chiral indexes without detectable traces of m-SWNT, from HiPCO or CoMoCat samples using polyfluorene as an extracting agent assisted by sonication and ultracentrifugation techniques^{1,2}.

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