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Xviene solution

Figure 1

(57) Abstract: A chemical vapor deposition (CVD) method using a vapor phase catalyst of directly growing aligned carbon nanotubes on a metal surfaces. The method allows for fabrication of carbon nanotube containing structures that exhibit a robust carbon nanotube metal junction without a pre-growth application of solid catalytic materials to the metal surface or the use of solder or adhesives in a multi-step fabrication process.

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