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#### LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AFM	Atomic Force Microscopy
a-C:H	Hydrogen doped Amorphous Carbon
СВМ	Conduction Band Minimum
DC	Direct Current
DSSC	Dye-Sensitized Solar Cell
DLC	Diamond-Like Carbon
D peak	Disorder Peak
EDS, EDX	Energy-Dispersive X-ray Spectroscopy
FCVA	Filtered Cathodic Vacuum Arc
FCVAD	Filtered Cathodic Vacuum Arc Deposition
FTO	Fluorine Doped Tin Oxide
G peak	Graphite Peak
SEM	Scanning Electron Microscopy
ТСО	Transparent Conducting Glass
TiO <sub>2</sub>	Titanium Dioxide
ta-C	Tetrahedral Amorphous Carbon
ta-C:N	Nitrogen doped Tetrahedral Amorphous Carbon
UV	Ultraviolet

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# LIST OF SYMBOLS

A	Projected Contact Area
d	Plasma's Duty Cycle
F	AFM Measured Force
F <sub>max</sub>	Maximum Load which causes a constant penetration depth
FF	Fill Factor
н	Hardness
X	Cantilever Deflection
Jsc	Short Circuit Current Density
J <sub>mp</sub>	Current Density that provides Maximum Power
k	Spring Constant
κ	System Coefficient
K <sub>eff</sub>	Filter Efficiency
Voc	Open Circuit Voltage
V <sub>mp</sub>	Voltage that provides Maximum Power
P	Average Deposition Power
P <sub>m</sub>	Maximum Power Provided by DSSC
P <sub>in</sub>	Input Light Source's Power
$n_0$	Raman Laser Frequency
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