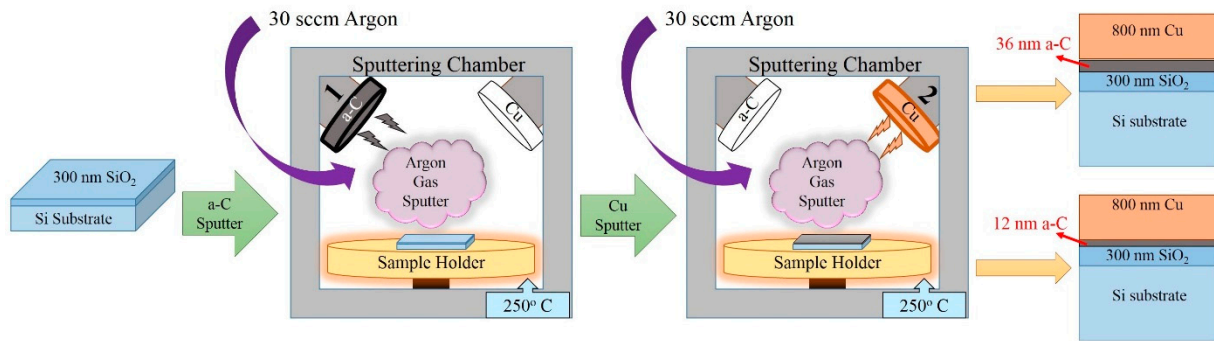


# Supplementary Materials: Determining the Parameters of Importance of a Graphene Synthesis Process Using Design-of-Experiments Method

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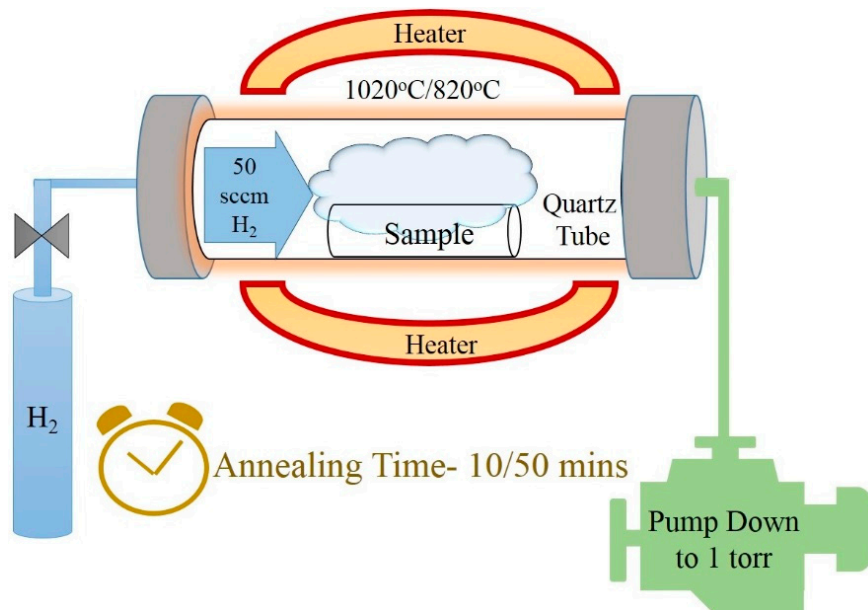
## 1. Sample Preparation



- Copper Thickness – 800 nm
- a-C Thickness – 2 sets of samples with 36 nm and 12 nm each

**Figure S1.** Sample preparation using PVD (Physical Vapor Deposition) method; 2 sets of samples each having 36 nm and 12 nm thick a-C (amorphous carbon) thin films are prepared.

## 2. Thermal Annealing



**Figure S2.** Thermal Annealing after sample preparation; Annealing is carried out at 2 levels of temperatures that are 820 °C /1020 °C and 2 levels of duration that are 10 min/50 min.

## 3. Thermo-Mechanical Properties

**Table S1.** Thermo-mechanical properties of materials used for Finite Element Analysis (FEA).

Property	SiO <sub>2</sub> Film	a-C Film	Cu Film
Thermal Coefficient of Expansion (°C <sup>-1</sup> )	$5.0 \times 10^{-7}$ [1]	$1.5 \times 10^{-6}$ [2]	$1.6 \times 10^{-5}$ [3]
Young's Modulus (Pa)	$7.00 \times 10^{10}$ [4]	$7.59 \times 10^{11}$ [5]	$1.15 \times 10^{11}$ [6]
Poisson's Ratio	0.1700 [4]	0.1700 [5]	0.3430 [6]

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