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ABSTRACT: Our research focuses on plasmonic nanostructures and semiconductor nanomaterials for the applications in chemical and biological sensors and optoelectronics devices. We utilize an integrated computational and experimental approach to design plasmonic nanostructures with novel properties, to understand material growth and processing mechanisms, and ultimately to make devices with superior performance. In this talk, I will give a brief overview on our recent research in the areas of plasmonic biosensing, semiconductor nanomaterials, and photovoltaic and photodetector devices. I will specifically discuss the work on the development of plasmonic nanostructures for biosensing based on surface-enhanced Raman spectroscopy (SERS) as well as plasmonic electrodes and device architectures for photovoltaic devices and UV photodetectors.

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