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# Electrochemical & Photoelectrochemical Photocatalysts: From Fundamentals to Materials Performance

### Message from the Guest Editor

Electrochemical and photoelectrochemical photocatalysts have emerged as promising technologies for sustainable energy conversion and environmental remediation. These materials employ solar energy to drive chemical reactions, leading to clean hydrogen production, pollutant degradation, and CO<sub>2</sub> reduction. The underlying principles behind these technologies involve light absorption, charge carrier generation and separation, and redox reactions taking place at the catalyst surface. Key factors that impact performance include the semiconductor bandgap, crystallinity, surface structure, and interfacial charge transfer kinetics. To optimize these factors, researchers have explored novel photocatalyst materials, including metal oxides, chalcogenides, carbon-based composites, and emerging 2D nanomaterials.

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