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Recent Progress in Electrode Materials for Sodium-Ion Batteries

Message from the Guest Editors

Sodium-ion batteries (SIBs) are alternative to lithium-ion batteries (LIBs) for some applications for several reasons: (i) sodium metal is abundant in the earth's crust and can be extracted from the salt of the oceans; (ii) as a consequence, sodium metal is also cheap; (iii) SIBs have good performance in aqueous systems in contrast with LIBs, which enables the use of cheaper electrolytes and easier fabrication processes; and (iv) SIBs may find a market for applications where the weight and volume of the batteries are not important parameters, such as grid-scale storage. The objective of this Special Issue of *Materials*, "Recent Progress in Electrode Materials for Sodium-Ion Batteries", is to present the latest achievements from the field of electrode materials for sodium-ion batteries (anodes and cathodes). We invite contributions on topics that include original research data, review articles, communications, and short notes that focus on new (experimental or theoretical) advances, challenges, and outlooks concerning their preparation, characterization, and application.

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