

## Special Issue

# Preparation, Modeling and Characterization of Anion Exchange Membranes for Fuel Cells

### Message from the Guest Editors

Anion exchange membrane fuel cells (AEMFCs) are a new kind of fuel cell which have solid electrolytes and work under an alkaline environment. AEMFCs avoid the shortcomings caused by liquid electrolytes in the traditional alkaline fuel cell (AFC), and have faster oxygen reduction kinetics than that of proton exchange membrane fuel cells (PEMFCs). Therefore, it is hoped that AEMFCs can become independent of noble metals and reduce the cost of fuel cells significantly. As the core component, the anion exchange membrane (AEM) has always been the main focus and difficulty in the development of anion exchange membrane fuel cells (AEMFCs), which demonstrates two severe challenges: 1) low hydroxide conductivity and poor chemical stability; and 2) the conflict between ionic exchange capacity (IEC) and mechanical properties. Developing high-performance AEMs is of crucial importance for promoting the development and application of AEMFCs. Therefore, this Special Issue aims to gather viewpoints from different fields of industry and academia, hoping to make a modest contribution to the future development of high-performance AEMs.

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