



Nanomaterials for Ion Battery Applications

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Dear Colleagues,

Rechargeable batteries, ranging from small portable devices to large energy storage systems, have emerged as indispensable electrochemical devices in our daily lives. Nanotechnologies are positioned to play a critical role in significantly improving battery performance. The rational design of various nanomaterials has been a major research theme in the process of developing high-performance batteries. Among various types of rechargeable batteries, Li-ion batteries are presently regarded as market-leading technologies thanks to their many beneficial features. However, Li-ion batteries still have limitations to be overcome, and thus there is ongoing research into several different types of potential next-generation batteries.

This Special Issue of *Nanomaterials* will cover the advancements in recent nanotechnologies and nanomaterials for various ion batteries (Li-ion batteries, sodium-ion batteries, Li-sulfur batteries, multivalent ion batteries, aqueous batteries, etc.). The development of new functional nanomaterials, as important components in these batteries, is the central topic to be discussed in this Special Issue.

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