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Application of Nanomaterials as Catalysts for Energy Storage and Conversion

Message from the Guest Editors

The need for energy is increasing like never before due to global economic development. This situation forces us to concentrate on renewable sources like solar, wind and hydrogen energies to mitigate environmental changes. Nanomaterials prepared via simple procedures exhibit efficient catalytic activities compared with bulk counterparts produced using expensive techniques. Nanoparticles of different composite materials can have high surface areas with high dispersion ability, and consequently, the catalytic activities are increased. These nanoparticles are synthesized without agglomeration, and uniform size distribution is key for the preparation of efficient catalytic materials. As these nanoparticles provide more active sites due it their high specific surface areas, they can increase the rates of chemical reactions and related efficiencies. In this present Special Issue, we invite research and review articles from various groups working on related studies to contribute a collection of research outcomes that benefit society in state-of-theart areas of the field.

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