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Hydrogen Evolution Reaction Mechanism at Nanoscale

Message from the Guest Editor

Hydrogen, as a clean and sustainable energy carrier, plays a pivotal role in the global pursuit of net-zero emissions. The hydrogen evolution reaction (HER) is a critical component in the production of hydrogen, which involves the reduction of protons to molecular hydrogen. Despite its importance, the HER is often limited by high overpotential and sluggish kinetics, necessitating the development of efficient and cost-effective electrocatalysts. Therefore, it is very important to study the mechanism of HER to achieve efficient hydrogen evolution.

In this Special Issue of *Nanomaterials*, we aim to present the latest advancements in the understanding and applications of nanoscale mechanisms in the HER. We invite contributions from leading researchers in the field to share their insights on the design, synthesis, and performance of advanced catalytic nanomaterials. Topics of interest include the fundamental mechanisms of HER at the nanoscale, the role of heterostructured interfaces, and the development of novel catalysts for efficient hydrogen production and the applications of hydrogen.

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