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Low-Dimensional Nanocomposites for Energy Harvesting, Storage, and Conversion

Message from the Guest Editors

Energy harvesting, conversion, and storage technologies are essential for sustainable development, as they convert ambient energy to electricity and store it to meet modern energy demands. Low-dimensional nanocomposite materials play a significant role in advancing energy harvesting, energy conversion, and storage technologies, owing to their unique properties and capabilities achieved through the synergistic integration of low-dimensional nanomaterial fillers (such as OD, 1D, and 2D) with polymers or other materials. In triboelectric mechanical energy harvesting, lowdimensional nanocomposites facilitate the efficient generation of electricity through the contact and separation of materials based on the coupling of contact electrification and electrostatic induction. Furthermore, nanocomposite materials have revolutionized the field of energy storage by increasing the effective surface area of electrodes, resulting in increased specific capacitance, energy density, and cyclic lifespan. This novel approach not only increases the cycle life of supercapacitors but also increases their flexibility and adaptability for a wide range of applications.

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