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Polymer Electrolyte Membrane Fuel Cells: Technology and Applications

Message from the Guest Editor

Fuel cell technology is an efficient means of converting chemical energy into electricity with exceptionally high performance. There is significant anticipation surrounding this technology due to its promising applications across a wide range of fields, from hydrogen fuel cell-powered cars to naval applications. Numerous research groups are dedicated to developing critical components of fuel cells, such as:

- Enhanced proton electrolyte membranes;
- Improved and cost-effective catalysts;
- Innovative techniques for catalyst deposition;
- New gas diffusion layers that boost durability and performance;
- Advanced materials for manufacturing bipolar plates, which enhance the performance of these electrochemical devices;
- Novel designs for the plates used in fuel cells.

In this context, this Special Issue is devoted to showcasing the most significant developments in these critical components of fuel cells. It will highlight the most optimized designs, new algorithms for enhancing performance in varying environments, new applications, and infrastructure development for integrating this technology into our society as an alternative to standard batteries.

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