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Nanocatalyst for Water Splitting

Message from the Guest Editor

With the increasing energy consumption and environmental contamination, it is imperative to develop sustainable, fossil-free pathways to produce fuels and chemicals of global importance. Catalytic water splitting provides a promising way to covert the highly abundant resource water into quite an ideal clean energy, i.e., hydrogen, via photo-/electrochemical processes. Nanocatalysts play a decisive role in these catalytic processes, and thus the design and development of efficient nanocatalysts for water splitting have attracted considerable attention in the past several decades. However, state-of-the-art nanocatalysts for water splitting are yet inadequate. The development of advanced nanocatalysts for photo-/electrocatalytic water splitting with sufficient performance remains a grand challenge. The present Special Issue of Nanomaterials is aimed at collecting and reporting research concerning nanocatalysts water splitting, involving inspirational synthesis methods, innovative modification strategies, outstanding catalytic performance, and comprehensive mechanism investigation.

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