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Transfer learning prediction on lithium-ion battery heat release under thermal runaway condition

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Theoretical catalytic performance of single-atom catalysts $M_1/PW_{12}O_{40}$ for alkyne hydrogenation materials

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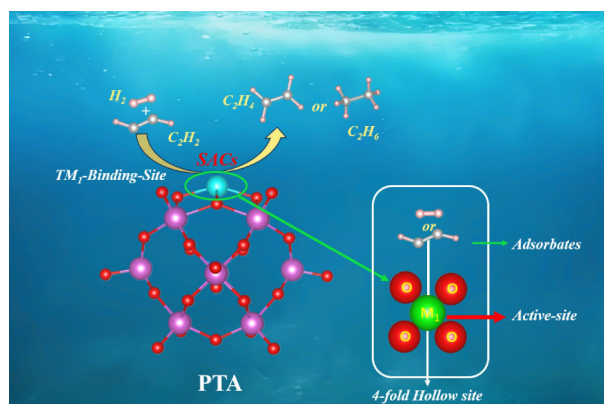
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This work significantly advances catalytic mechanisms for alkyne hydrogenation to alkene under ambient conditions, emphasizing the effectiveness of Rh_1/PTA single-atom catalyst and offering valuable insights for the development of sustainable and efficient catalytic processes.

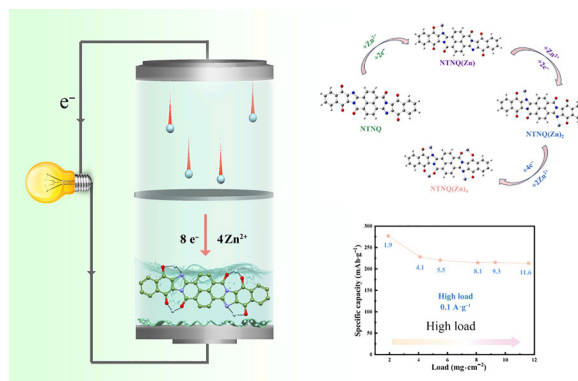
Robust ring insoluble naphthoquinone derivative cathode with high loading and long cycle life for aqueous zinc organic batteries

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The synergistic effect of neighboring active sites and multi-electron Zn^{2+} storage reactions are explored by DFT calculations, and the results suggest that NTNQ could store 4Zn^{2+} while transferring $8e^-$ in the N-Zn-O pathway during the storage of Zn^{2+} . And, NTNQ still exhibits high specific capacity and favorable cycling stability at multiple ultra-high loadings. The design concept of organic molecules and the investigation of Zn^{2+} storage mechanism in this work provide new opportunities for the future synthesis of high-energy aqueous zinc organic batteries.

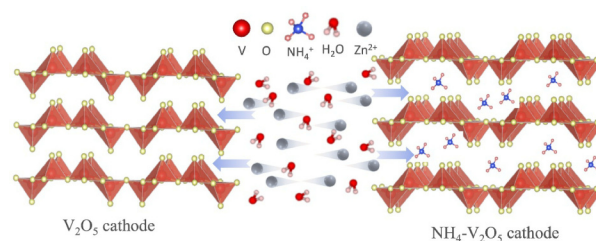
Pre-doped cations in V_2O_5 for high-performance Zn-ion batteries

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This study examines how pre-cation doping significantly impacts the capacity response of V_2O_5 cathode materials in Zn-ion batteries. It explores the effects of pre-doping with various cations (including Na^+ , K^+ , and NH_4^+) on enhancing overall charge storage performance.

A tailored highly solvating electrolyte toward ultra lean-electrolyte Li-S batteries

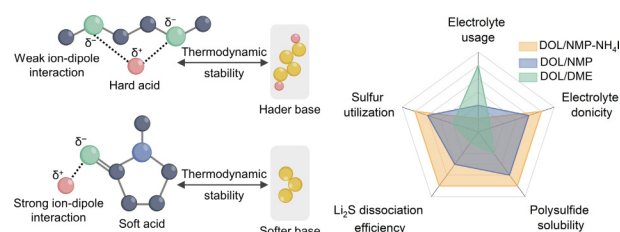
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High-donicity DOL/NMP- NH_4I electrolyte is developed to elevate the sulfur utilization and electrochemical performance Li-S batteries especially under lean-electrolyte condition. We correlate the solvation structure, polysulfide speciation, Li_2S nucleation behavior and lean-electrolyte battery performance with donicity and denticity of electrolytes. Li-S batteries with a starved E/S ratio of $3 \mu\text{L} \cdot \text{mg}^{-1}$ and a high sulfur loading of $4 \text{ mg} \cdot \text{cm}^{-2}$ can sustain a stable operation over 30 cycles.

A self-healing aqueous ammonium-ion micro batteries based on PVA-NH₄Cl hydrogel electrolyte and MXene-integrated perylene anode

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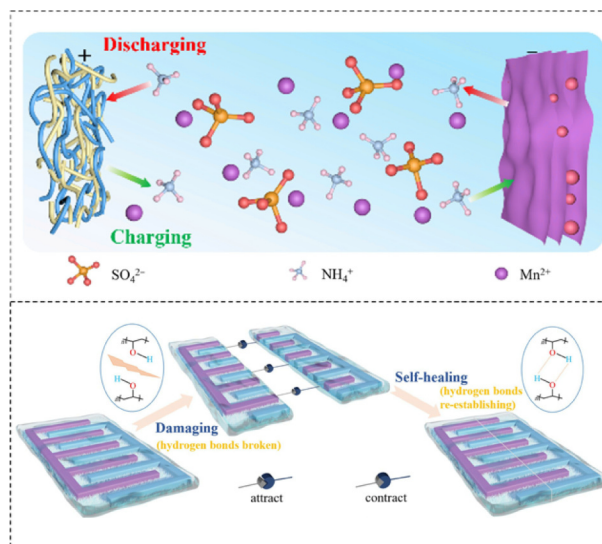
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The first self-healing aqueous NH₄⁺ micro batteries (AMBs) are reported, assembled by PVA-NH₄Cl hydrogel electrolyte, PTCDI-MXene anode and MnO₂-CNTs cathode. The AMBs exhibit excellent cycle life, flexibility, self-healing ability, energy density and power density, providing a new option for the next generation of micro flexible-energy storage devices.

FeCoP sub-nanometric-sheets for electrocatalyzing overall water splitting

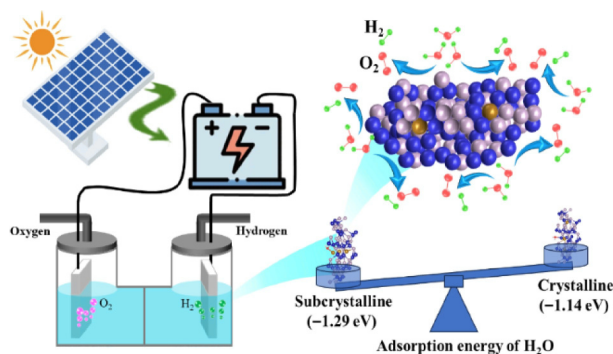
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The application of renewable electric energy, converted from solar power, to electrolysis water systems, wherein as-synthesized subcrystalline FeCoP ultrathin nanostructure with abundant active sites and optimized d-electronic configurations of Co were used as bifunctional catalyst. The system realizes a completely green industrial chain for hydrogen energy.

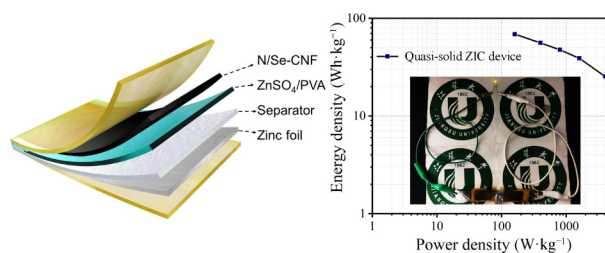
Tuning electrochemical properties of carbon nanofiber electrodes with selenium heteroatoms for flexible zinc ion capacitors

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Se heteroatom doped N-rich carbon nanofibers (N/Se-CNF) have been synthesized using electrospinning to produce a superior electrode for flexible zinc ion capacitors (ZICs). The high level of N doping enhances the hydrophilicity and graphitization degree of CNF. The inclusion of Se heteroatom in carbon-based materials not only enhances their pseudocapacitance but also reduces the presence of pyrrole N, thus improving the electrochemical kinetics of the electrode. ZIC and quasi-solid flexible ZIC, composed of N/Se-CNF electrodes, demonstrate a notable energy density of 95.3 Wh·kg⁻¹ (at 160.1 W·kg⁻¹) and 68.8 Wh·kg⁻¹ (at 160 W·kg⁻¹) correspondingly, alongside exceptional electrochemical reversibility. This research offers a pioneering approach and theoretical framework for exploring dual-atom doping and governing N doping entities.

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Boosting oxygen evolution performance over synergistic tiara nickel clusters and thin layered double hydroxides

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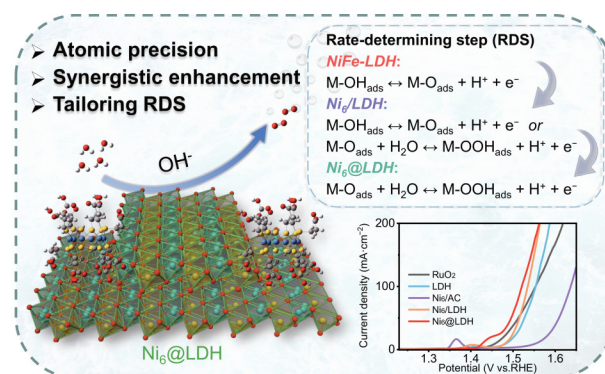
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The emerged nanomaterials with atomic precision can facilitate joint experimental and computational studies in energy conversions. The synergistic Ni₆ clusters combined with LDH nanosheets mediate the rate-determining step in oxygen evolution reaction.

Review Articles

Piezoelectricity and triboelectricity enhanced catalysis

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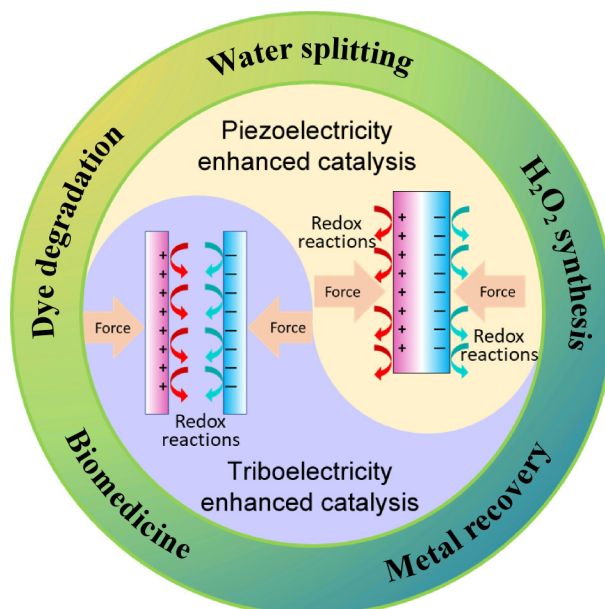
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This review accounts for recent advancements in piezoelectricity and triboelectricity enhanced catalysis, covering basic understandings, catalyst design, and performance insights. Finally, challenges and future opportunities for piezoelectricity and triboelectricity enhanced catalysis are discussed.

Advances and prospects of g-C₃N₄ in lithium-sulfur batteries

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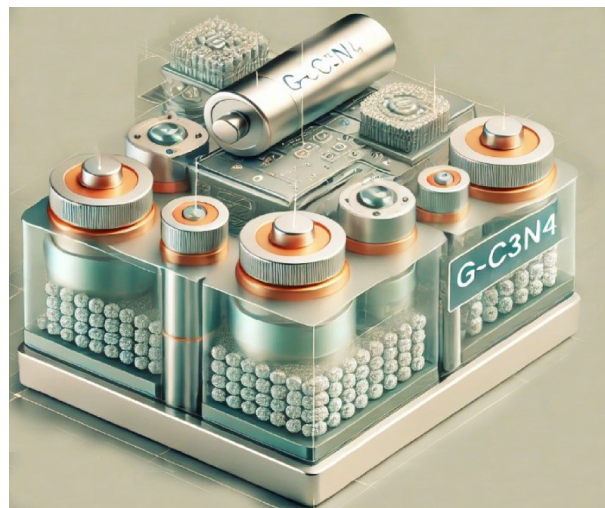
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This review explores the potential of graphitic carbon nitride (g-C₃N₄) to overcome key challenges in lithium-sulfur (Li-S) batteries, such as the shuttle effect, low conductivity, and volume expansion. It focuses on the modification of g-C₃N₄ through defect engineering and nanocrystallization, as well as its compounding with metals, non-metals, graphene, porous carbon, and heterojunctions. The review aims to provide new insights and strategies for the rational design of g-C₃N₄ materials to optimize their application in Li-S batteries.

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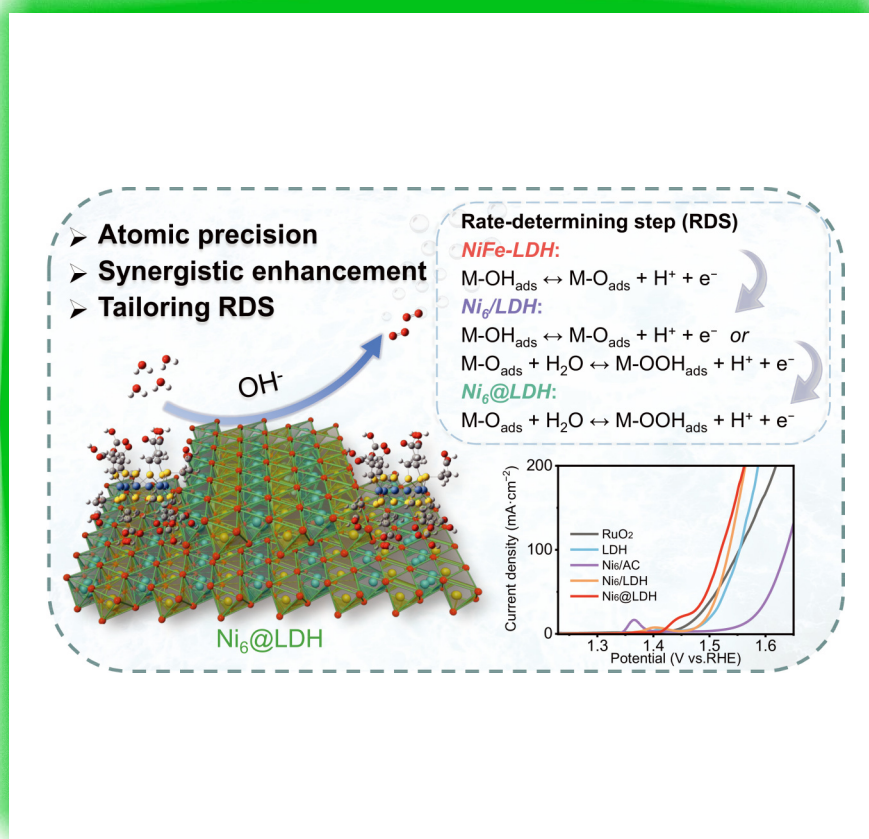
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