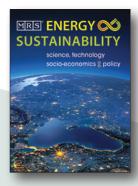
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Carbonyl-coordinating polymers for high-voltage solidstate lithium batteries: Solid polymer electrolytes

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Solid polymer electrolytes are a crucial class of compounds in the next-generation solid-state lithium batteries with high safety and extraordinary energy density. This review highlights the importance of carbonyl-coordinating polymer-based solid polymer electrolytes in next-generation safe and high-energy density lithium-metal batteries, unraveling their synthesis, sustainability, and electrochemical performance. doi.org/10.1557/mre.2020.3

Deep decarbonization efforts in Norway for energy sustainability

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Norway is energy self-sufficient with ample renewable energy resources while exporting large amounts of fossil fuels. The country is in a unique position to fully decarbonize its energy use and significantly contribute to deep decarbonization globally, but Norway's small population and economy limit that impact. The authors discuss efforts toward its own and the Paris and Katowice meetings' ambitious goals of a carbon-neutral society. doi.org/10.1557/mre.2019.12

Applying insights from the pharma innovation model to battery commercialization—pros, cons, and pitfalls

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A carbon-neutral and sustainable society necessitates the widespread use of battery technologies that are efficient, effective, and economical. Lower-cost and more energy-dense battery technology can help solve many energy challenges. However, bringing advanced energy materials to market in the United States remains a formidable challenge. The authors show how the pharmaceutical industry overcame similar technical challenges and offer comparisons for successful commercialization in the US battery industry.

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The structure and mechanical properties of Cu₅₀Ni₅₀ alloy nanofoams formed via polymeric templating

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Interest in nanofoams based on template precursors enable the synthesis of transition-metal structures with controlled cell size and grain. Using electrochemical routes, it is possible to control the porosity based on the design of the polymer template while controlling the alloy composition. doi.org/10.1557/mrc.2020.16

N-dimensional optics with natural materials

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The nature-inspired design of materials enables the discovery of new phenomena and the harnessing of smart analytical methods. Typical biomaterials and biomolecules can provide new insight toward the utilization in optical systems as organized assemblies, providing a medium for the electromagnetic phenomena.

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Phenolic antioxidant-incorporated durable perovskite layers and their application for a solar cell

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Hybrid materials have been gaining ground because of the synergy and interplay of bandgap and mobility phenomena across molecular species. Key is the knowledge of the interfacial and transport properties of the radical/electron mobile species and their spatio-temporal properties during device operation. The authors lead the way by incorporating the use of phenolic species.

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