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Attacking the Problem from Multiple Fronts: Catalysis Research via Various Perspectives



Problems of Interest & Potential Fields of Collaboration: I

Understanding the surface/electronic structure of PdAg/MnO_x/TiO₂-based bi-metallic/tri-metallic Formic Acid Dehydrogenation catalysts

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{HCOOH} \rightarrow \text{H}_{2} + \text{CO}_{2} \\ \text{HCOOH} \rightarrow \text{H}_{2}\text{O} + \text{CO} \end{array}$





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Record High Performance in

Additive Free-Heterogeneous Catalytic FA Decomp.

Catalyst	Temperature (K)	Conversion (%)	Activity (h ⁻¹)	Reference
Ag@Pd	293	36	63	1
AgPd	293	10	72	1
Au@Pd	298	89	98	2
CoAuPd/C	298	91	37	3
CoAuPd/GO	298	51	45	4
CoAuPd/DNA	298	96	85	5
AuPd	298	28	41	5
AgPd	298	52	110	6
Pd-MnOx	298	63	150	7
PdAg-MnO _x /NH ₂ -SiO ₂	298	> 99	330*	this study

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Problems of Interest & Potential Fields of Collaboration: II

Shedding light on the surface functional groups of novel graphene-like photocatalysts that can be activated via VIS light





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Mpg-C₃N₄: Superior Photocatalyst under VIS Light



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-- C₃N₄- 600

— C₃N₄- 550

(b)

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645 569 15 315 247 247

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Wavenumber (cm⁻¹)

(N2)

N(-C-)-

400.7

(N1)

C=N-C

399.0

 $mpg-C_3N_4-600$

mpg-C₃N₄-550

(a)

50

mpg-C₃N₄-600

mpg-C₃N₄–550

Absorbar

60

4000 3500 3000 2500 2000 1500 1000 500

(b)

N 1s

(N3) -NO_v

404.7

282 280 408 406 404 402 400 398 396 394

Binding Energy (eV)

Problems of Interest & Potential Fields of Collaboration: III

Surface, electronic and coordination structure of $LaCo_{3-x}Mn_xO_{3\pm y}$ -based mixed perovskite catalysts for DeNO_x applications.





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Mn- and Co- based La-Perovskites



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Problems of Interest & Potential Fields of Collaboration: IV

Self-Generating Photocatalytic Architectures





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