



Nanomaterials for Solar Energy Conversion and Storage

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Nanomaterials have since played vital roles to the advancement of many key technologies. Reducing particle size to the nanometre scale have since unearthed a cornucopia of properties that have been favourable to a wide-array of applications, most evidently, in solar energy conversion and storage. The heterogenous nature in solar energy conversion and storage processes which chiefly rely on physical interaction and/or chemical reactions at the surface or interface make them highly exploitable to manipulations in surface chemistry, energy and kinetics that arise upon nanostructuring. More directly, nanostructured materials have the advantage of enhanced surface area and thus host more favourable charge/ion/mass transport properties. Moreover, nanomaterials differ to its bulk counterpart not only by a matter of scale, but they can also harbour novel properties, thereby unlocking new useful mechanisms e.g., quantum confinement, causing nanomaterials to achieve higher solar energy conversion and storage efficiency. This special issue therefore brings into focus nanotechnology as a powerful faculty to leverage further advancement in many energy-related applications.





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