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m CO_2}$  and ethylene vinyl acetate co-modification of solid waste-based filling materials: An integrated approach for carbon capture and recycling

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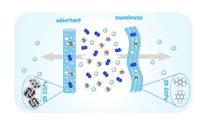
In this review, we systematically analyze recent advancements in MOF etching techniques and emphasize the underlying mechanisms that govern the formation of hierarchical pore structures, defect engineering, and heterojunction formation. Ultimately, this review underscores the transformative impact of etching on MOF properties.



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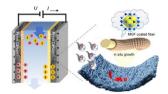
Computational Screening of Covalent Organic Frameworks for He Purification with Adsorption or Membrane Separation

Herein, molecular simulation and machine learning (ML) were combined to screen 801 experimentally synthesized COFs for He/CH<sub>4</sub> and He/N<sub>2</sub> separation, either by means of adsorption or membrane separation. Top 10 COFs for 4 different gas separation purposes were identified respectively. Additionally, ML models were developed to predict separation performance, with key descriptors identified.



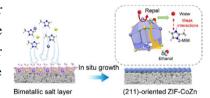
# **High-efficiency Capacitive Deionization: Freestanding Carbon Electrodes Derived from Fungal Hyphae with In-situ Oriented MOF Growth**

The fungal hyphae served as an ideal substrate for in-situ oriented growth of MOFs. MOF-Fhy-C exhibited excellent conductivity and a high effective surface area, resulting in a salt adsorption capacity of 40.8 mg/g, higher than most CDI carbon electrode.



# Oriented Superhydrophobic Bimetallic MOF Composite Membrane for Efficient Ethanol-Water Separation

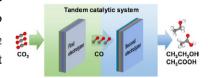
A (211)-oriented bimetallic MOF membrane for ethanol-water pervaporation separation has been developed. It leverages the hydrophobicity of 2-methylimidazole ligands to block water permeation while enlarging pore size through competitive coordination of bimetallic ions to enhance ethanol permeation.



# Highly Selective Electrocatalytic $CO_2$ Reduction to Liquid $C_2$ Products by Means of a Tandem Catalytic System

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Ag NCs@Ag-MOF and Cu-O<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>-COF were synthesized and utilized in a tandem electrocatalytic CO<sub>2</sub> reduction system to significantly improve the Faradaic efficiency of liquid C<sub>2</sub> products (ethanol and acetate) to 90.9% with the partial current density of 120 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> by enhanced \*CO accumulation on the Cu catalyst.



# Converting Waste Polyimide into Porous Carbon Nanofiber for All-weather Freshwater and Hydroelectricity Generation

An all-weather dual-functional evaporator/generator is constructed using recycled polyimide as the precursor. It not only exhibits a high evaporation rate of 2.93 kg m $^{-2}$  h $^{-1}$  under 1 kW m $^{-2}$  irradiation, but also displays high open-circuit voltage of 0.32 V.



### **Contributed Papers**

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#### Advanced batteries for sustainable energy storage

This review provides a comprehensive overview of various advanced battery technologies, including solid-state batteries, liquid-state batteries and battery technologies suitable for extreme conditions. The importance of theoretical calculations and artificial intelligence technology are emphasized to promote the development of advanced batteries.



## Preparation, Microstructure and Corrosion Resistance of Novel Anode Materials Based on Magnesium-Air Batteries

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The review then delves into a variety of representative anode materials. Special attention is given to innovative material designs that mitigate the challenges typically encountered by Mgair batteries.



### Research papers

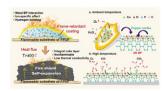
CO<sub>2</sub> and ethylene vinyl acetate co-modification of solid waste-based filling materials: An integrated approach for carbon capture and recycling

This study employs CFBFA and CS activated by the synergistic effect of EVA and CO<sub>2</sub>, significantly enhancing the rigidity-flexibility balance of grouting filling materials. The composite system exhibits substantial improvements in flexural, bending, and compressive strengths by 166.7%, 48.76%, and 40.56%, respectively.



# Robust Ambient-Stable 2D Heterostructure of Copper Oxides Intercalating Black Phosphorus for Flame Retardancy and Catalytic Removal of Carbon Monoxide

In this work, an effective approach was proposed to fabricate 2D heterostructures of copper oxide intercalated with BP, which not only enhances flame retardancy but also improves the ambient stability of BP and the catalytic performance for CO elimination.



Single sodium atoms anchored on N-doped porous carbon: Solid strongly basic catalysts with uncommon activity and stability

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A lychee-like Ni/C/ZnFe $_2$ O $_4$  catalyst with a double-shell hollow porous heterojunction structure achieves 98% Cr(VI) removal under microwave irradiation, leveraging enhanced electron transfer and accelerated  $\mathrm{H^+}$  ion dynamics for efficient heavy metal reduction.

