Special Seminar

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“Operando study on the activation and corrosion of (photo)electrocatalysts”

Electrochemical energy conversion is playing an ever important role in our transition towards sustainability. Development of electrocatalysts features the improvement in efficiency as well as durability under service conditions. An illuminated scanning flow cell (iSFC) setup was developed to characterize both the activity and the stability of catalysts in operando. Using the iSFC, we studied mechanisms behind (photo)degradation of BiVO4 photoanode [1] as well as different strategies for corrosion inhibition [2]. The operando study is complemented by electron microscopy and atom probe tomography to provide the structural evolution down to the atomic scale. We are applying these analytical methods to understand a new class of delafossite materials PdCoO2 and their outstanding hydrogen reduction activity [3].

[1] https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpcc.9b07220
[2] https://doi.org/10.1021/acsaem.0c01904
[3] https://doi.org/10.1038/s41929-019-0400-x

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