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Title: Pt-group-metal (PGM) Reduction and Development of PGM Free Catalysts		
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Abstract		
Platinum group metal-free (PGM-free) metal-nitrogen-carbon catalysts have emerged		
as a promising alternative to their costly platinum (Pt)-based counterparts in polymer		
electrolyte fuel cells (PEFCs) but still face major challenges, including (i) the		
identification of the most relevant catalytic site for the oxygen reduction reaction (ORR)		
and (ii) demonstration of competitive PEFC performance under automotive-application		
conditions in the hydrogen (H2)-air fuel cell. This symposium will focus on the applied		
and fundamental aspects of developing PGM-free catalysts and will highlight new		
catalyst synthesis methods and chemistries and the concomitant performance gains		
achieved for PGM-free catalysts. Topics of interest will include (a) synthesis, (b)		
characterization, and (c) modeling of PGM-catalyst systems.		