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## Development of Cobalt-free $La_xSr_{4-x}Fe_6O_{13}$ ( $0 \le x \le 2$ ) Intergrowth Cathode Material for Solid Oxide Fuel Cells

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Cobalt-free La<sub>8</sub>Sr<sub>4-x</sub>Fe<sub>6</sub>O<sub>13</sub> ( $0 \le x \le 2$ ) oxide have been synthesized and investigated as a potential cathode material for solid oxide fuel cells (SOFCs). Sr<sub>4</sub>Fe<sub>6</sub>O<sub>13</sub> consists of alternating perovskite layers (Sr<sub>4</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>) containing iron cations in octahedral oxygen coordination and Fe<sub>4</sub>O<sub>5</sub> layers where iron cations have 5-fold coordination of two types-square pyramids and trigonal bipyramids. Our preliminary electrochemical testes of pristine Sr<sub>4</sub>Fe<sub>6</sub>O<sub>13</sub> show a rather high area specific resistance (0.47 $\rho$ cm<sup>2</sup> at 700°C) for ~20  $\mu$ m thick layers with CGO electrolyte. The electrochemical performances are improved by La addition up to *x*=1 (La<sub>1</sub>Sr<sub>3</sub>Fe<sub>6</sub>O<sub>13</sub>, 0.06 $\rho$ cm<sup>2</sup> at 700°C). In addition, thermal expansion coefficient (TEC) values of La<sub>1</sub>Sr<sub>3</sub>Fe<sub>6</sub>O<sub>13</sub> specimen demonstrated 15.1×10<sup>-6</sup> °C<sup>-1</sup> in the range of 25-900°C, which provides good thermal expansion compatibility with the CGO electrolyte. An electrolyte supported (300- $\mu$ m-thick) single-cell configuration of La<sub>1</sub>Sr<sub>3</sub>Fe<sub>6</sub>O<sub>13</sub>/CGO/Ni-CGO delivered a maximum power density of 584 mWcm<sup>-2</sup> at 700°C. In addition, an anode supported single cell by YSZ electrolyte (10- $\mu$ m-thick) with a porous CGO interlayer between the cathode and the electrolyte to avoid undesired interfacial reactions exhibited 1,517 mWcm<sup>-2</sup> at 800°C. The unique composition of La<sub>1</sub>Sr<sub>3</sub>Fe<sub>6</sub>O<sub>13</sub> with low thermal expansion coefficient and higher electrochemical properties could be a good cathode candidate for intermediate temperature SOFCs with CGO and YSZ electrolyte.

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## Pt/MOF-5 Hybrid Composite Encapsulated with Microporous Carbon Black to Improve Hydrogen Storage Capacity and Hydrostability

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Metal organic frameworks (MOF) have generated considerable interests as a potential candidate for hydrogen storage owing to their extremely high surface-to-volume ratio and low density. In this study, Pt nanoparticles of about 3 nm in size were introduced outside MOF-5 [Zn<sub>4</sub>O(1,4-benzenedicarbocylate)3], which was then encapsulated with hydrophobic microporous carbon black (denoted CB@Pt/MOF-5) in order to enhance hydrogen uptake capacity without decreasing the specific surface area and hydrostability. To study the chemical composition, morphology, crystal information, and properties of the synthesized material, a variety of techniques is employed, including WXRD, XPS, ICP-AES, FE-SEM, HR-TEM, and N2 adsorption-desorption, confirming the formation of novel hybrid composite designated CB@Pt/MOF-5 with highly crystalline structure, large specific surface area and pore volume. In addition, H<sub>2</sub> storage capacity for resulting material was measured using magnetic suspension microbalance at 77 and 298 K under high-pressure condition, and the hydrostability was also tested by exposing the sample to 33% relative humidity at 23°C and measuring XRD as a function of time.

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