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# New Perspectives for the Development of Li-Ion Batteries of the 21st Century

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Lithium-ion batteries represent one of the most outstanding advances in energy storage systems of recent times. The combination of electrochemically active materials and conductive carbonaceous materials for the manufacture of nanocomposite electrodes provides lithium-ion batteries with high capacity, excellent cycling stability, power density, and lightweight. In recent years, there have been many advances related to stability, performance or durability, thanks, among other things, to the incorporation of new nanostructured materials. These include carbon nanotubes, nanowires, and twodimensional materials such as graphene, graphitic compounds, or other layered materials, among others.

This Special Issue aims to provide significant contributions that impact on the advances in the synthesis, optimization, and characterization of nanostructured materials, with application to the development of both anodes and cathodes of high-performance lithium-ion batteries. The final goal is to have a global vision of the state-of-the-art related to the most advanced materials that could represent a significant improvement of the energy storage systems of the 21st century

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