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Radiation-assisted electrochemical reduction of CO₂ to CO

Carbon monoxide (CO), a versatile intermediate feedstock can be produced from the electrochemical (EC) reduction of carbon dioxide ($\rm CO_2$). The current low conversion efficiencies and significant energy requirements of considered EC processes lead to high production costs. This work demonstrated that ionizing radiation (e.g., g-radiation) enhanced the EC CO yield and most likely, improved costs. In fact, radiation decreased the overpotential barrier enhancing the electrochemical reduction of $\rm CO_2$ to CO by 25%.



