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Simple and high-yield preparation of carbon-blacksupported ~1 nm platinum nanoclusters and their oxygen reduction reactivity

This work established a simple method for the sizeselective synthesis of a series of ligand-protected platinum nanoclusters with ~1 nm particle size (~1 nm Pt<sub>n</sub> NCs) and narrow size distribution under atmospheric conditions. Each ligand-protected ~1 nm Pt NC was adsorbed on carbon black (CB) and then most of the ligands were removed from the surface of the Pt NCs. The obtained  $\sim 1 \text{ nm Pt}_n \text{ NCs/CB}$ exhibited higher oxygen reduction reaction mass activities than that of commercial CB supported-Pt nanoparticles and also displayed high durability.





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