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Dense ceramic oxygen permeable membranes and catalytic membrane reactors



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HIGHLIGHTS

- Progress of oxygen permeable membrane materials and architecture is presented.
- ► Membrane reactor design, applications in energy and environmental fields are given.
- Challenges related to industrialization and future research are proposed.

G R A P H I C A L A B S T R A C T

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ABSTRACT

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