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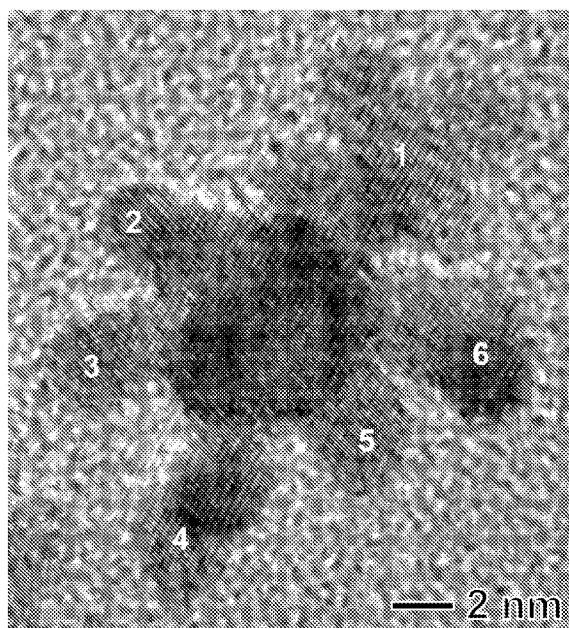
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(54) Title: PALLADIUM-PLATINUM NANOSTRUCTURES AND METHODS FOR THEIR PREPARATION

FIG. 11



(57) Abstract: Palladium-seeded, dendritic platinum nanosstructures that are useful as electrocatalysts and methods for preparing such nanosstructures. The palladium-platinum nanosstructures may be incorporated into fuel cell electrodes including fuel cells that include a proton exchange membrane (PEM).



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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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