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## Highlights

- Fe-N-C electrocatalyst was synthesized by the sacrificial support method.
- The Fe-N-C electrocatalyst was characterized in single-cell configuration in a high temperature PEMFC
- At 0.2 A cm<sub>geo</sub><sup>-2</sup>, a polarization of 0.43 V was observed without back-pressure and polarization of 0.65 V with a back-pressure of  $3.0 \times 10^5$  Pa (at 433 K, O<sub>2</sub> at the cathode).

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