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Activation of Dihydrogen and Carbon Dioxide by Early Transition and Main Group Metals

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In the post-petrochemical era, the ultimate carbon source carbon dioxide need to be efficiently reduced to molecules with $C_{n>1}$ containing C-C bonds. Dihydrogen will in the future be the reductant and carbon-free energy carrier. From the fundamental standpoint of studying reactivity of electropositive metal hydrides as reductants, new hydrides of earth alkaline (Mg,^[1] Ca) and rare earth metals^[2] will be presented. In the context of converting CO_2 into valuable products, new reactivity involving a doubly reduced CO_2^{2-} at Ti centers will be presented.^[3]

[1] Martin, D. et al. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2015**, 54, 4115. [2] Fegler, W. et al. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2013**, 52, 7976. [3] Paparo, A. et al. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2015**, 54, 9115.

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