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**Nafion/Sulfonated Aromatic Polymer Blend Membranes
for the Direct Methanol Fuel Cell**

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The purpose of the present work is to reduce methanol crossover of Nafion membrane by solution blending with sulfonated poly(arylene ether). The morphology was controlled by controlling blend ratio and the degree of sulfonation of poly(arylene ether). The effect of the composition and the drying condition of the blend solution on the morphology of the membrane will be discussed. The mechanical properties as well as the methanol permeability and proton conductivity of the blend membranes will also be discussed.