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(54) **Title:** ZEOLITE SSZ-70 HAVING ENHANCED EXTERNAL SURFACE AREA

(57) **Abstract:** A method is disclosed for preparing zeolite SSZ-70 using an imidazolium cation as a structure directing agent in conjunction with a polyethyleneimine modifier. The SSZ-70 zeolite is characterized as having an external surface area larger than conventional SSZ-70 zeolites.

