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Fundamental electrochemistry

Materials and electrolyte synthesis and characterization

Modeling at multiple scales

Powder and coating
technology and processing

Cell fabrication, characterization and testing

New analytical tools

Sustainability and safety

Applied research
on batteries



<http://www.hiu-batteries.de/de/>



Foundation: 1.1.2011

Employees	128
PIs	23
New professors	3
Annual Budget	6 Mio. EUR

Mission: Applied-oriented basic research on new storage principles and related materials

Cooperative research platform



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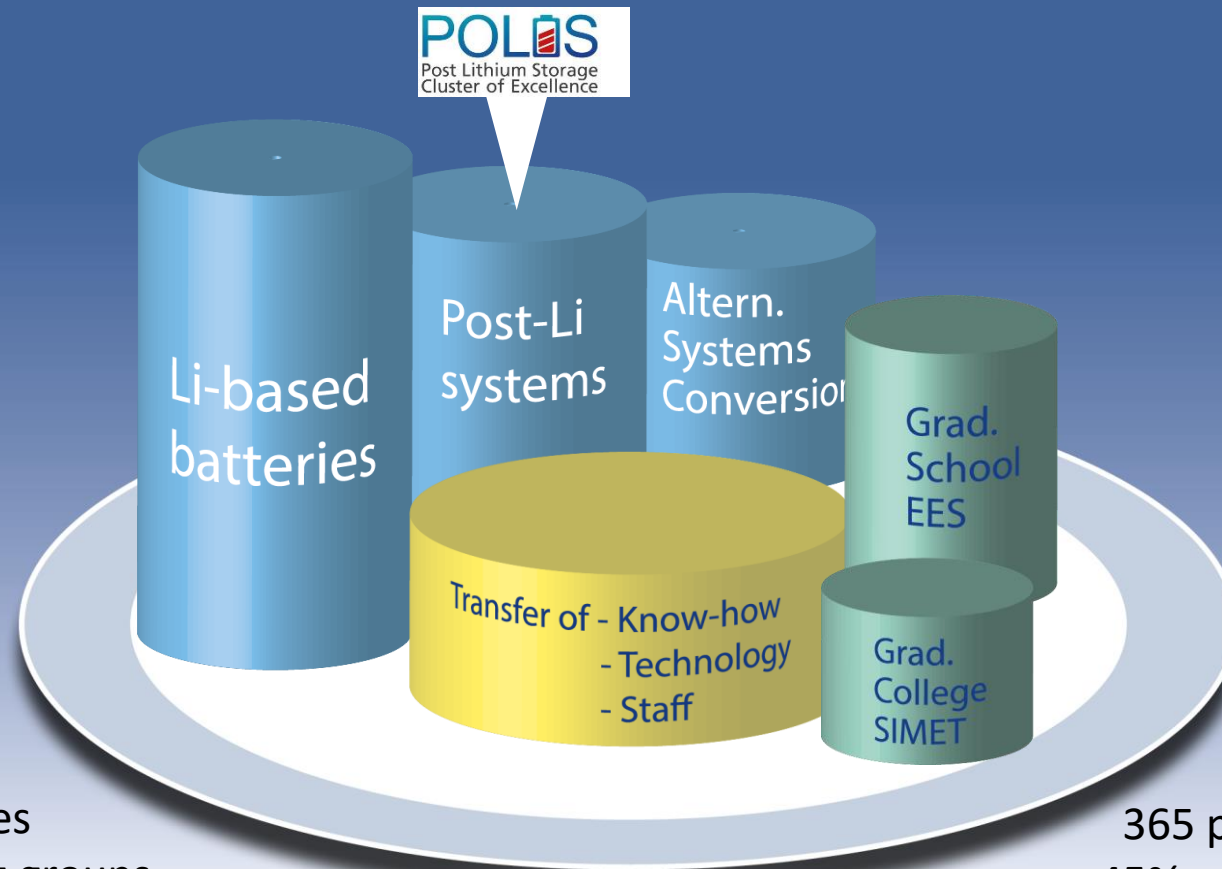
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365 publications / 2018
45% as joint publications

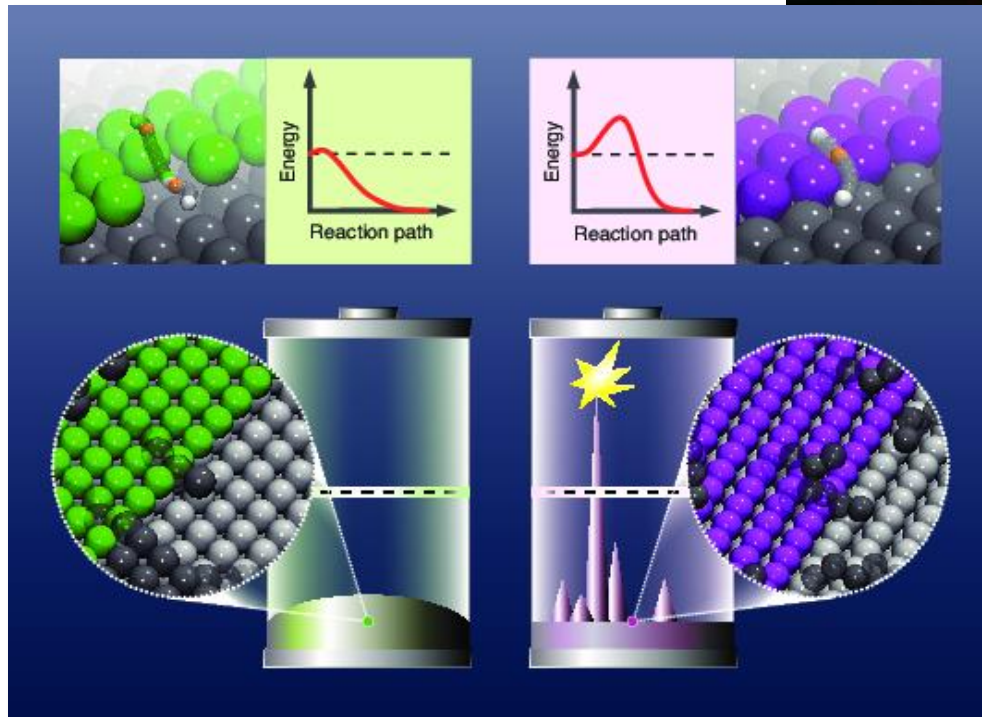
RESEARCH · TEACHING · DEVELOPMENT · TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

Examples from the work of the platform

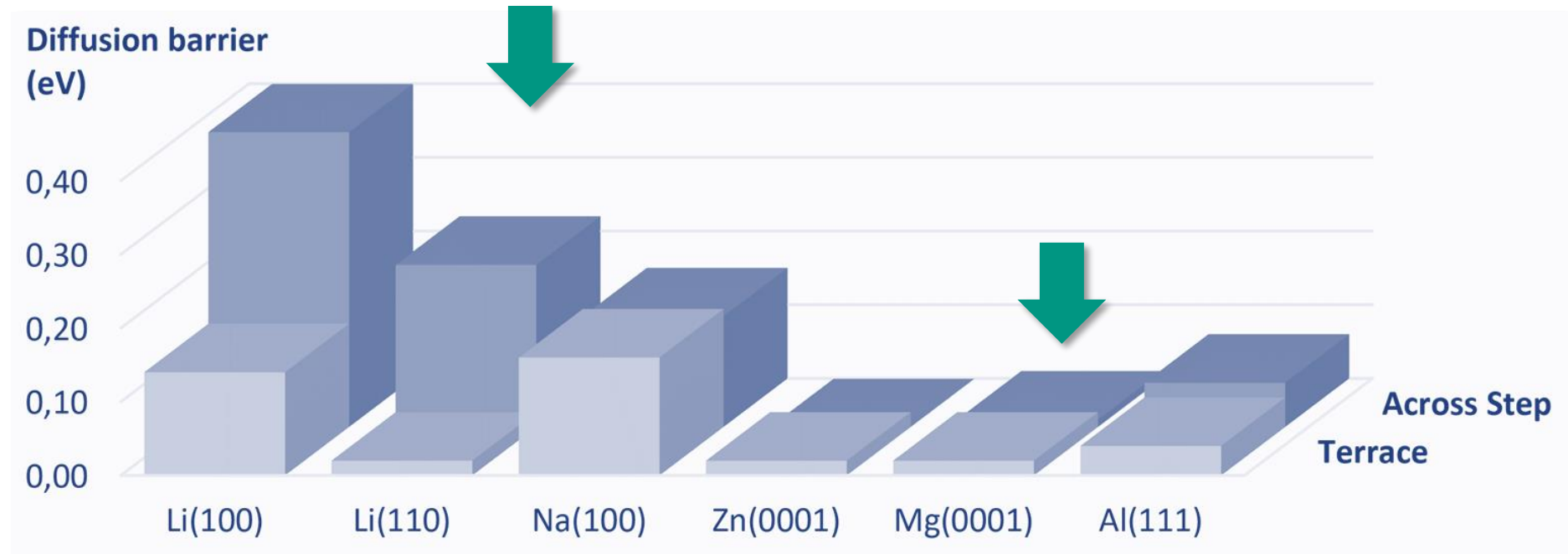
Safety of Li Ion Batteries – Dendrite growth

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Is growth and element-specific diffusion intimately linked?



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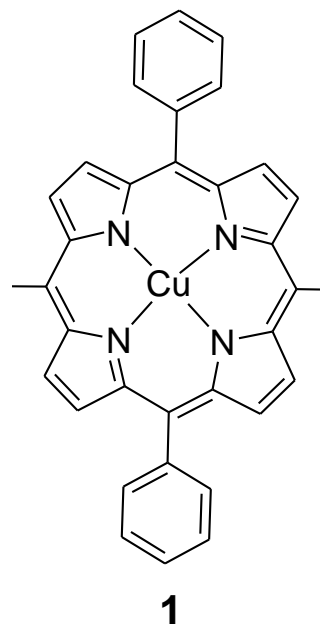


M. Jäckle, A. Groß, *et al.*, Energy Environ. Sci. (2018)

Correlation between height of self-diffusion barriers and dendrite growth

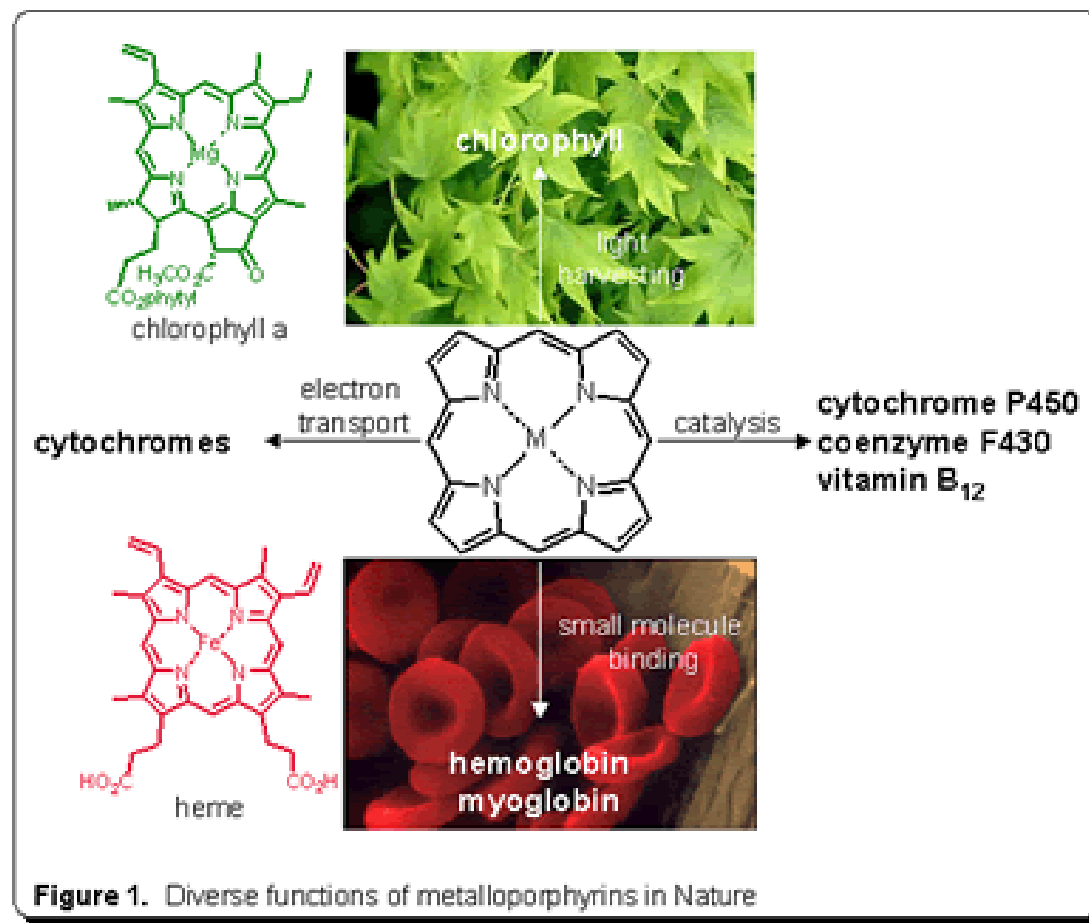
Example – Organic electrode materials based on porphyrins

A new class of highly conjugated porphyrin complex enabling high performance of rechargeable batteries

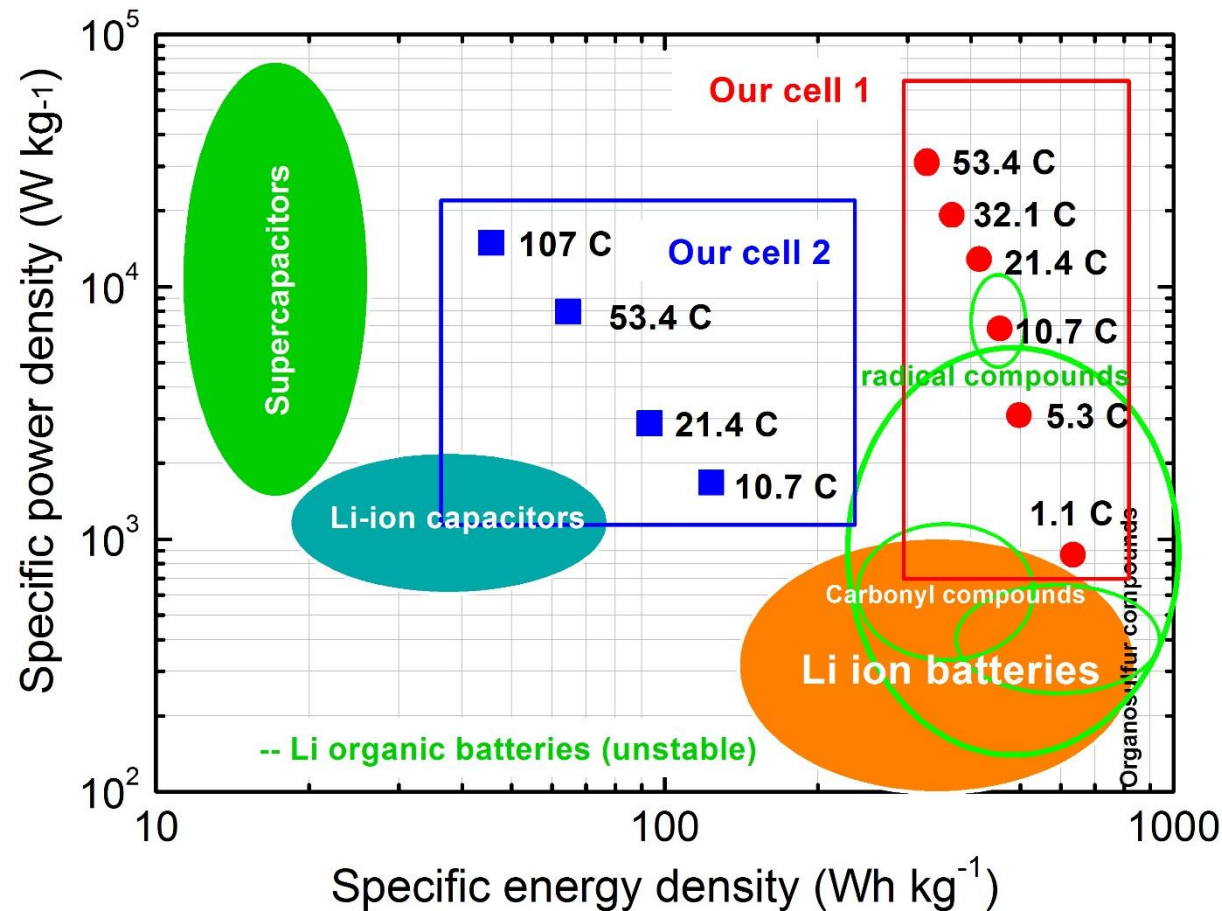


Hemocyanin-derived
(Molluscs, Arthropoda)

4 electron transfer from 16 to 20 π electrons; OCV vs. Li: 3.0 V



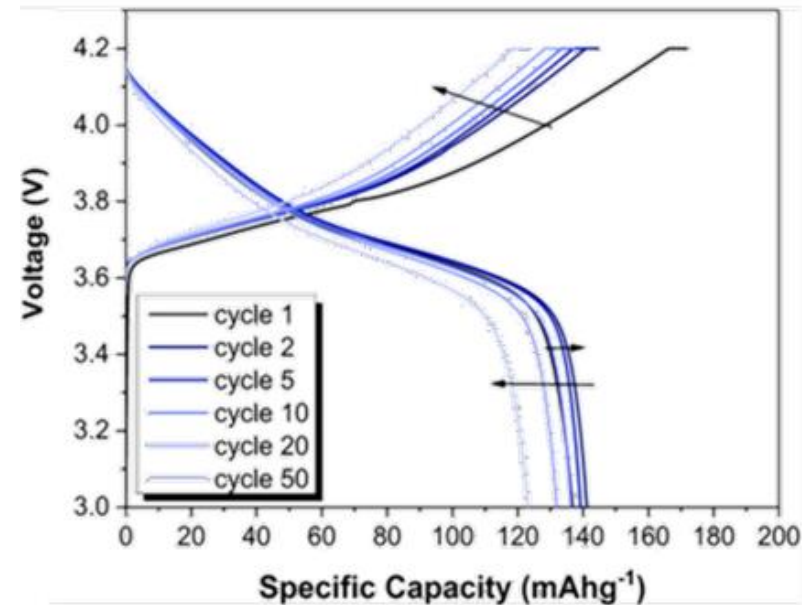
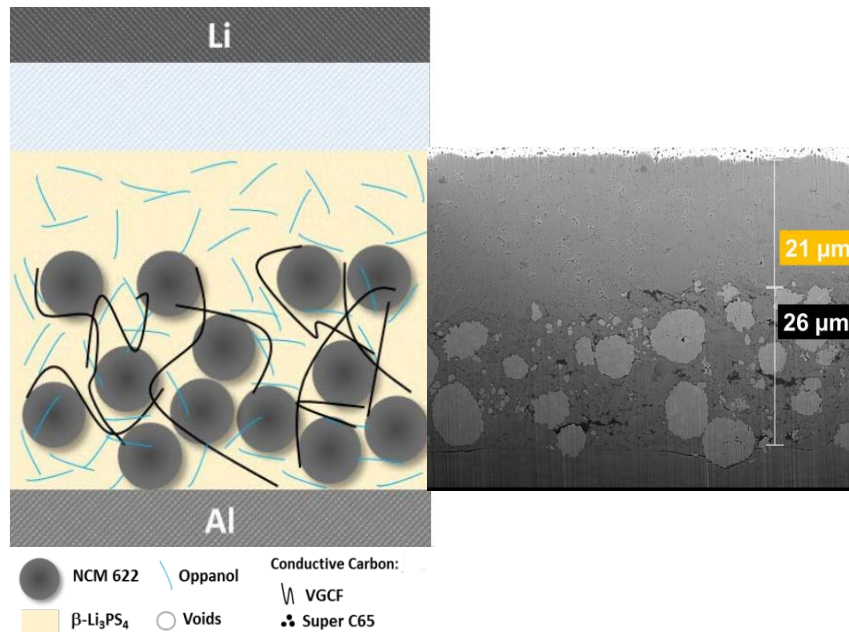
Cell 1: Li/LiPF₆/CuDEPP (as cathode)



Power density
measured up to 30
kW/kg

- Capacity of a Li ion battery
- Rate of a supercapacitor

All-solid-state, Li-metal batteries employing sulfidic electrolyte and NCM cathode



Electrolyte and electrode layers produced by solvent-cast coating and calendaring (i.e., fast component and cell production)

Very promising cycling performance

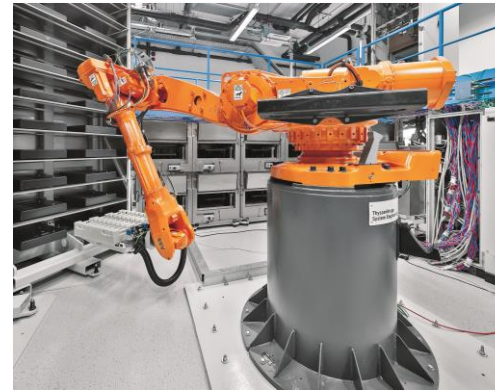
M. Keller, T. Ates, S. Passerini, Patent application “Process for Manufacturing a Layered Lithium Cells with Solid-State Electrolyte” (# 102018205299.9 on 09.04.2018)

T. Ates, M. Keller, J. Kulisch, T. Adermann, S. Passerini, *Energy Storage Materials*, revised version submitted.

Research Pilot Line (Forschungspilotanlage, FPL) at ZSW

Largest pilot fabrication line for battery cells in Europe

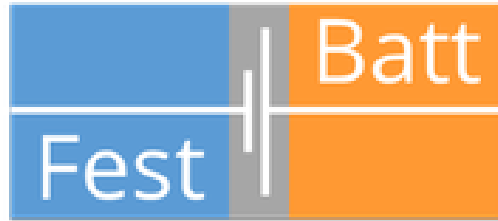
Coater for double-side coated electrodes



Assembly, electrolyte filling and formation of cells at FPL

Active collaborations and leadership

Examples of recent activities



Li-EcoSafe

Entwicklung kostengünstiger und sicherer Lithium-Ionen-Batterien

- Vom Material bis zur Betriebsstrategie -



Fast Storage BW II – Energiespeicher der
nächsten Generation





publications/a:

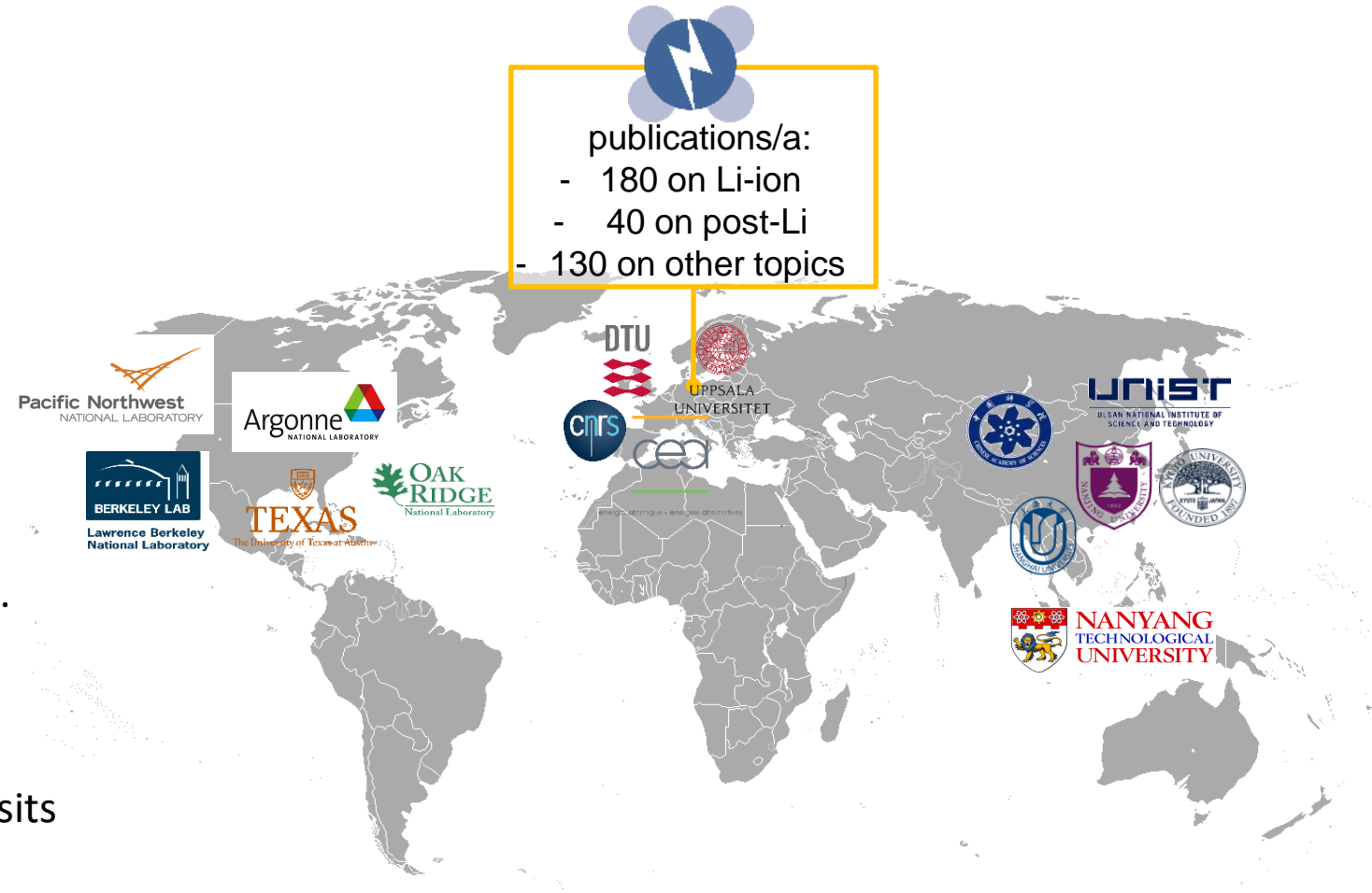
- 180 on Li-ion
- 40 on post-Li
- 130 on other topics

Internationalization

MoUs with:

ANL, NTU, DTU, CEA, UNIST,...

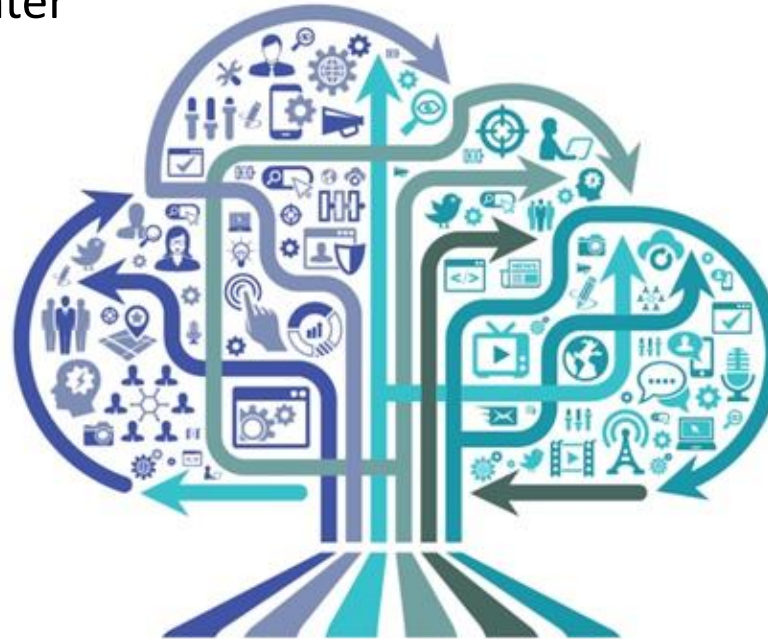
- joint projects
- joint publications
- joint patent applications
- student/staff exchange/visits



Unique approach of CELEST, integrating the entire research & development line

Already established strategic collaborations with industry

- BASF (KIT/BASF Joint Battery and Electrochemistry Laboratory 'BELLA')
- SCHAEFFLER (Schaeffler Hub for Advanced Research 'SHARE' at KIT)
- BOSCH
- Steinbeis Transfer Center
- Continental
- VOLTABOX
-
- bilateral projects



- Joint research projects with external funding
- Cooperation- and license agreements
- Order contracts (full costs)
- Licensing of existing and protected know-how



research



product

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Energy Storage beyond Lithium

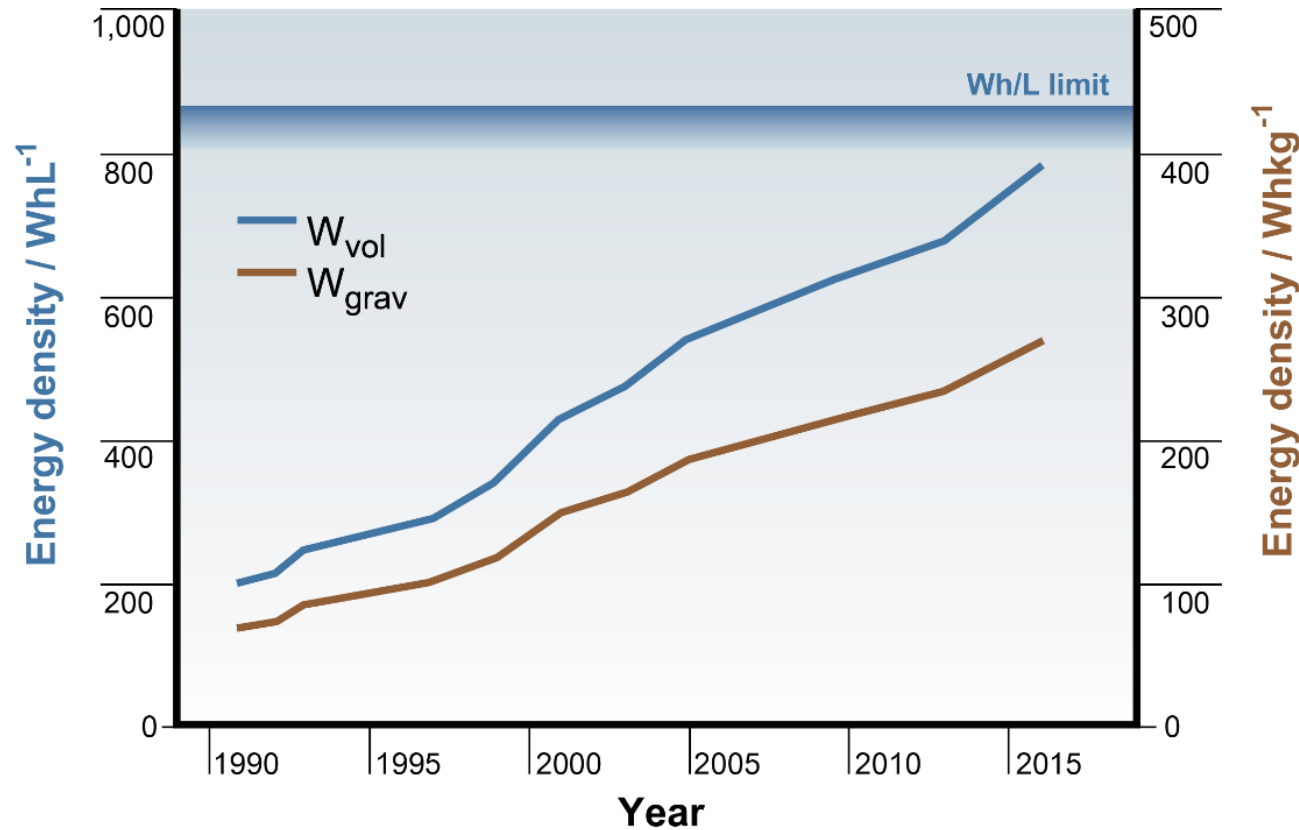
New storage concepts for a sustainable future



Joint proposal of UUlm and KIT
Helmut Ehrenberg, Maximilian Fichtner, Axel Groß

Storage of renewable energy is necessary, e.g. with batteries





J. Janek, W. G. Zeier, Nat. Energy (2016)

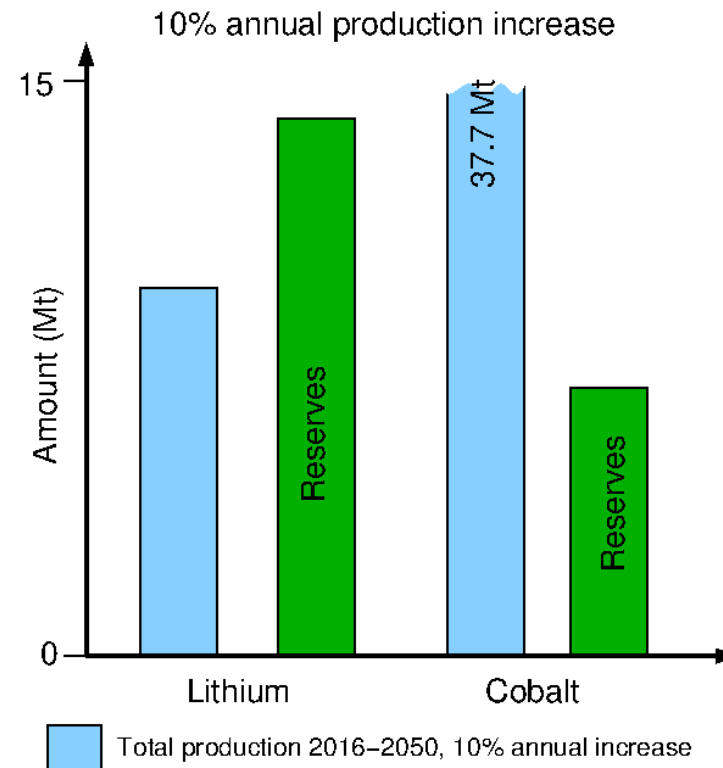
Li ion batteries (LIBs): efficient energy storage system in terms of energy and power density, reliability and cyclability

Energy density of conventional LIBs will soon reach its limits!

Lithium



Production and reserves



Cobalt

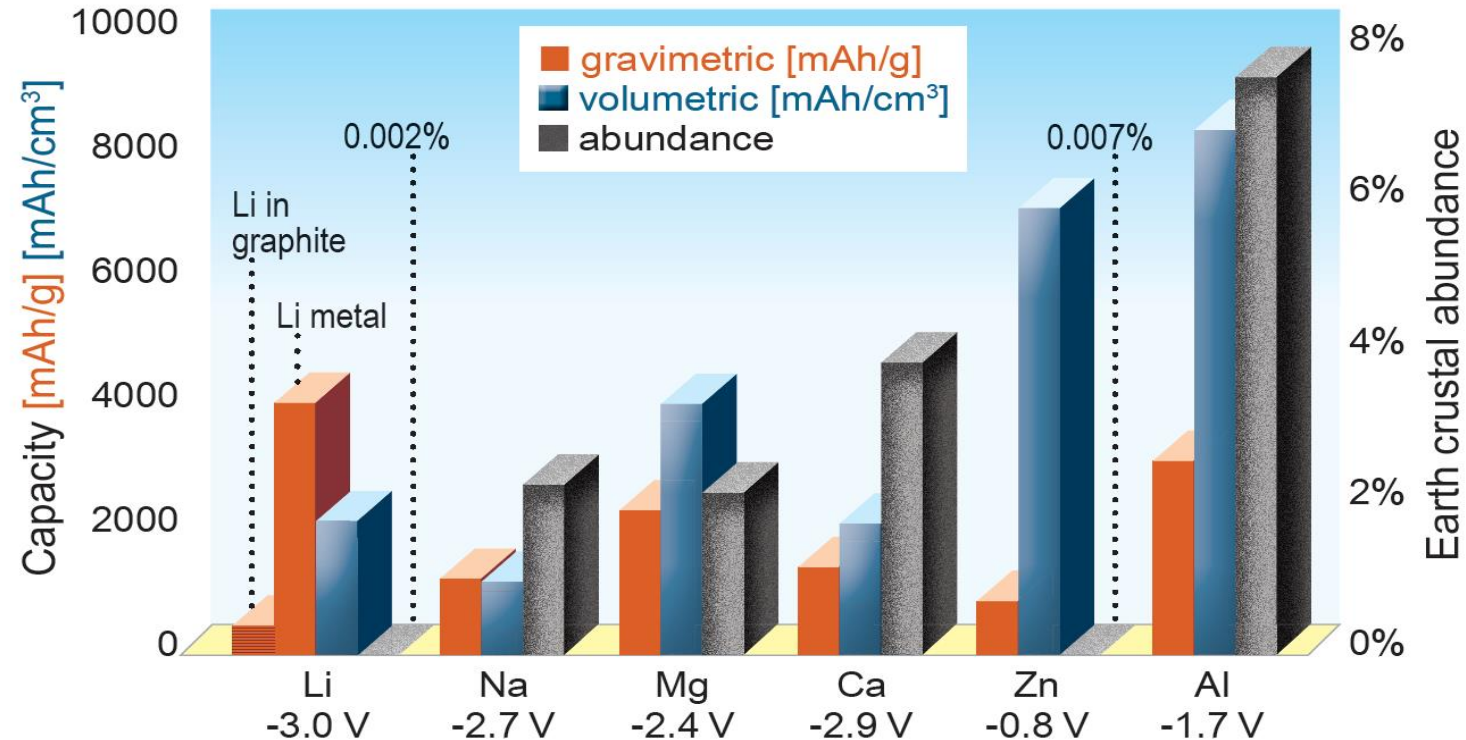


C. Vaalma, D. Buchholz, M. Weil, S. Passerini, *Nat. Rev. Mats.* (2018)

There are substantial supply risks for lithium and cobalt.

Sustainable charge carriers in batteries without lithium

22.990 11 Na⁺ Sodium	24.305 12 Mg²⁺ Magnesium	26.982 13 Al³⁺ Aluminium
39.098 19 K⁺ Potassium	40.078 20 Ca²⁺ Calcium	35.45 17 Cl⁻ Chlorine



G.A. Elia, et int., **S. Passerini**, R. Hahn, *Adv. Mater.* (2016)

Post-Li systems are not only earth-abundant, but also may offer comparable or improved properties compared to LIBs.

Alternative charge carriers

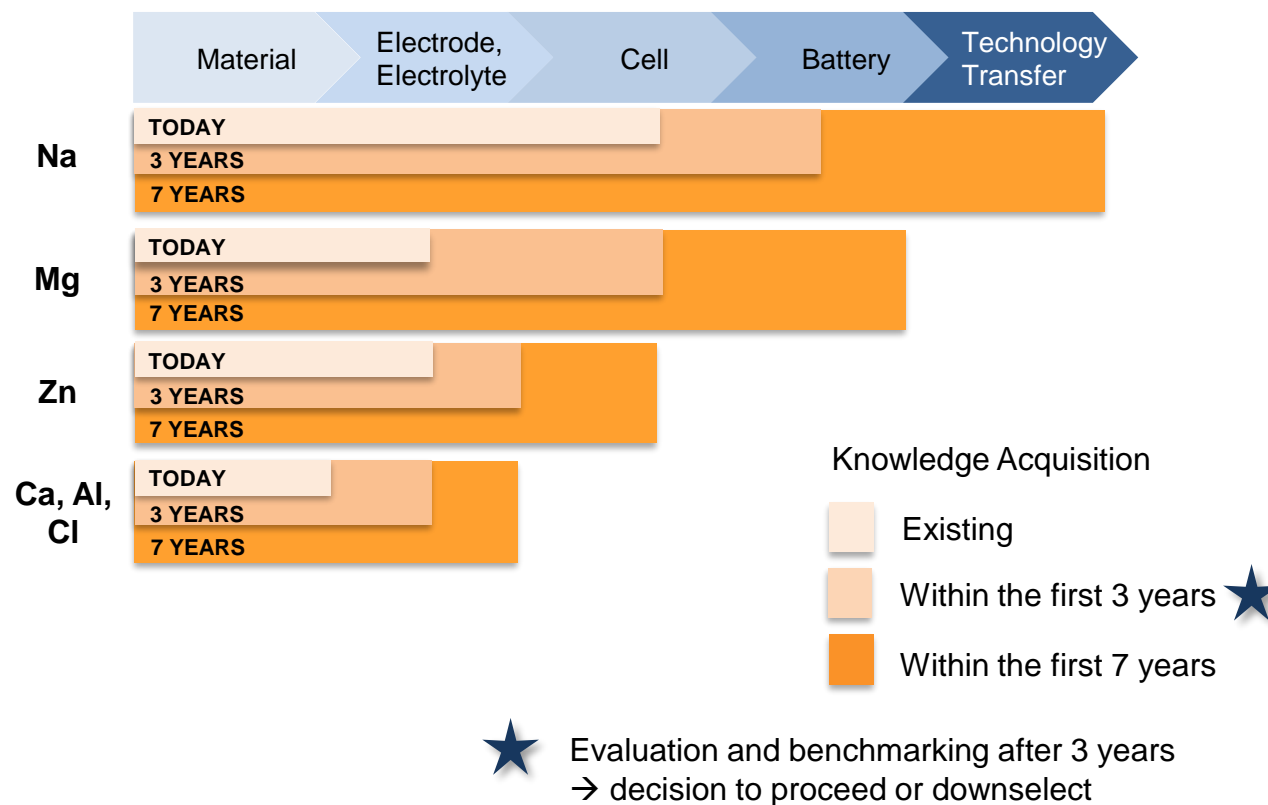
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Post-Li systems require:

- New anode materials
- New cathode materials
- New electrolytes
- New engineering-concepts

The overall objective of the Cluster of Excellence is to lay the scientific and technological foundation for a new generation of post-Li electrochemical energy storage systems for stationary and mobile applications which overcome the limitations of current battery technology.

Progress in Different Battery Chemistries

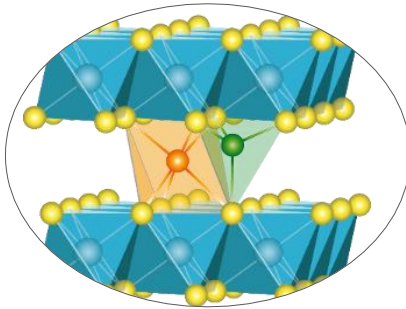


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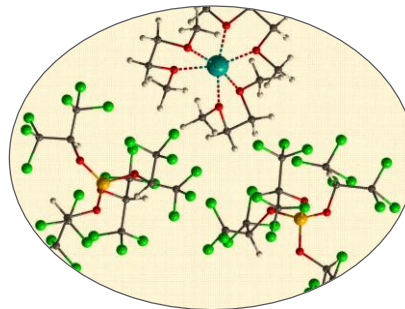
Electrode
Materials

RU A



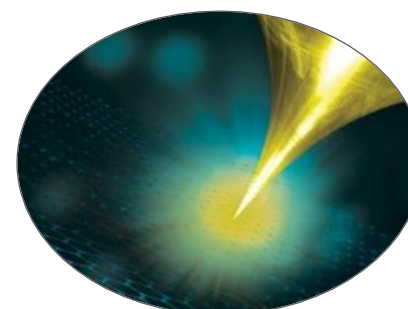
Electrolytes

RU B



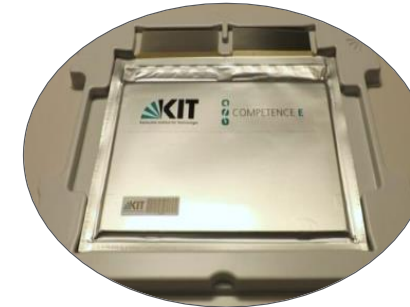
Interfaces

RU C



Integration and
Sustainable Cell
Engineering

RU D



- Basic elements of the research & development chain
- Addressing the grand challenges in post-Li batteries
- Benefit from the interdisciplinarity of the Cluster
- Theoretical modelling ↔ Model systems ↔ Laboratory cells
- Facilitates work on fundamental topics of overarching nature