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Energy Storage and Modernization of the Electric Grid

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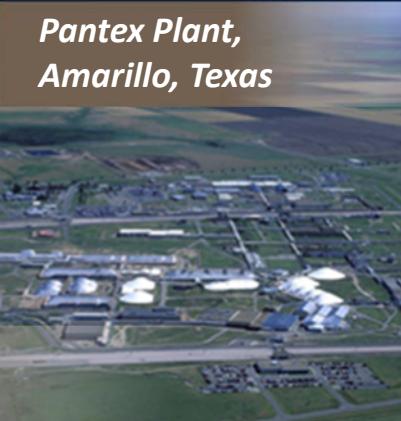
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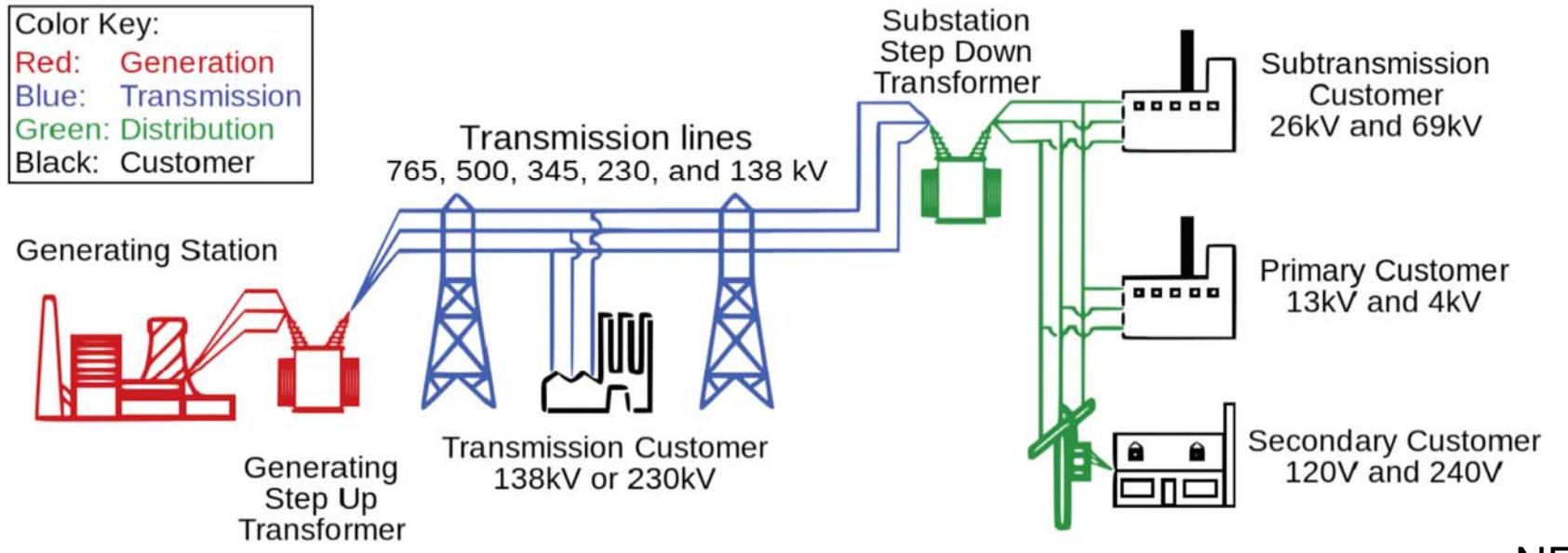
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The Electric Grid Today

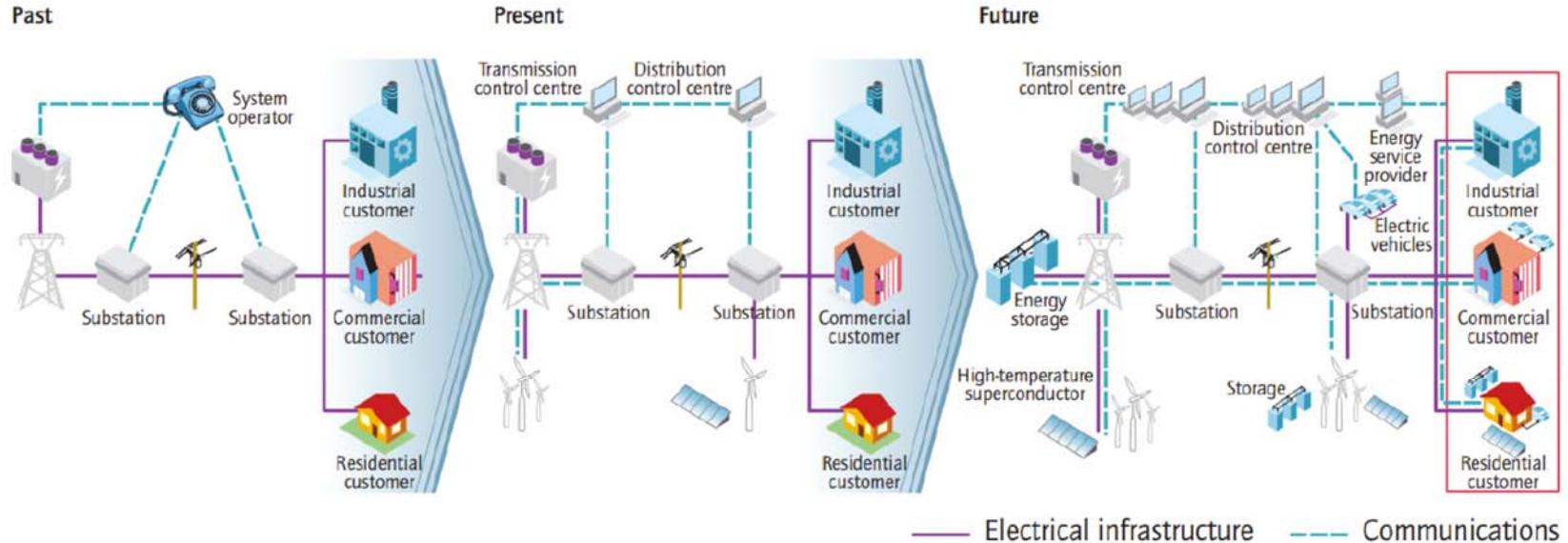


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■ Grid 1.0

- A one **way** delivery system with very little flexibility, with generation and load always balanced
- Utilities deliver reliable power at prices set by regulators in most markets, and variable market driven pricing in a few markets

Grid Evolution and the Future Grid



Source: Quadrennial Technology Review
US DOE, 2015

Grid 2.0

- Integration of renewables and distributed generation beginning to take off
- Minimal tools to manage grid instabilities

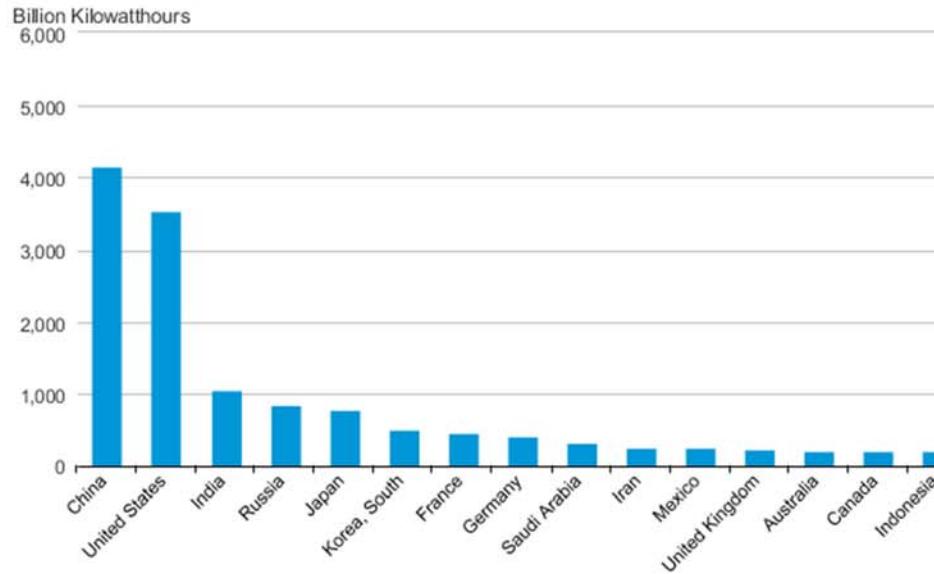
Future Grid

- Distributed generation and two-way energy flows
- Large scale renewable integration
Ability to manage diverse generation mix and intermittency

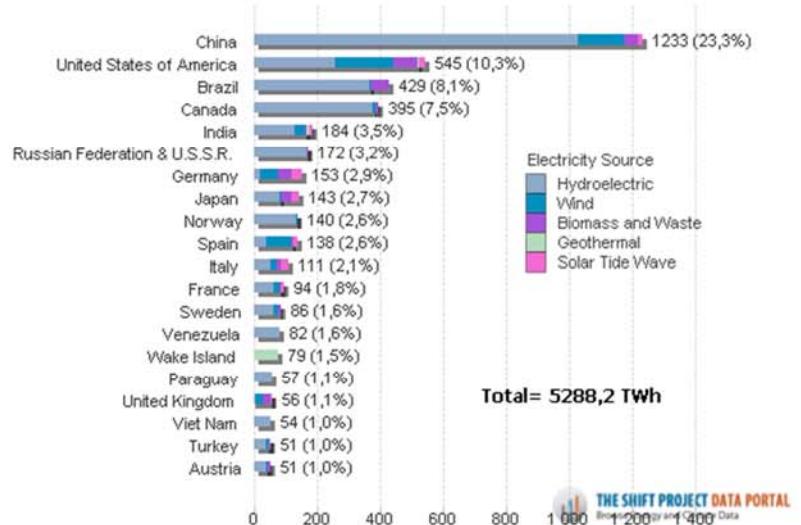
Grid by the Numbers



Total Electricity Net Generation - 2015



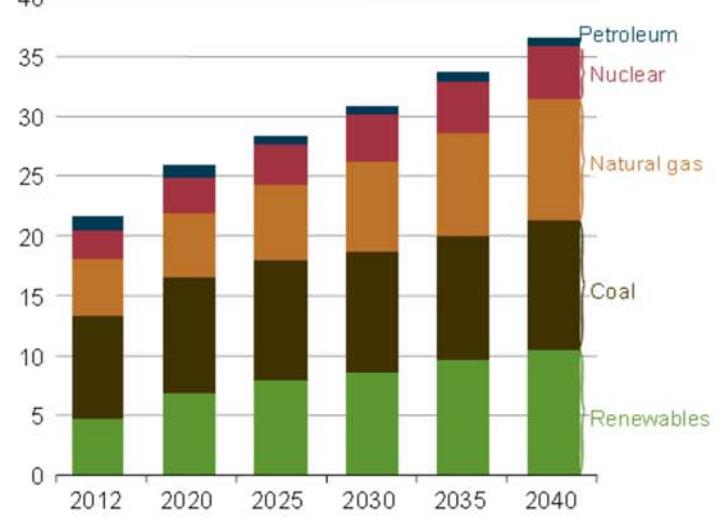
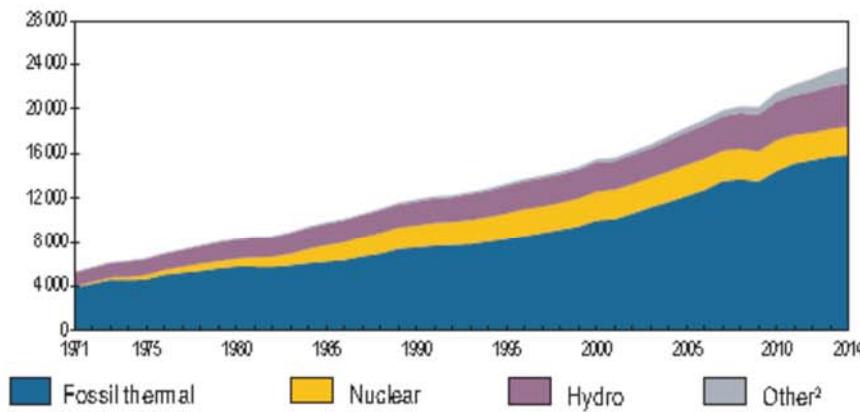
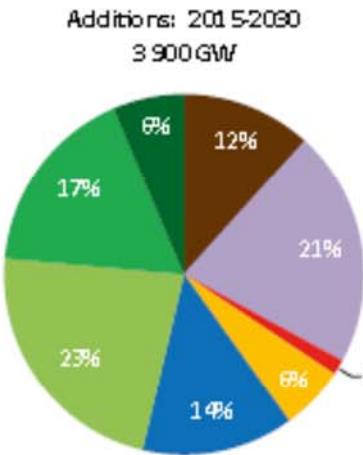
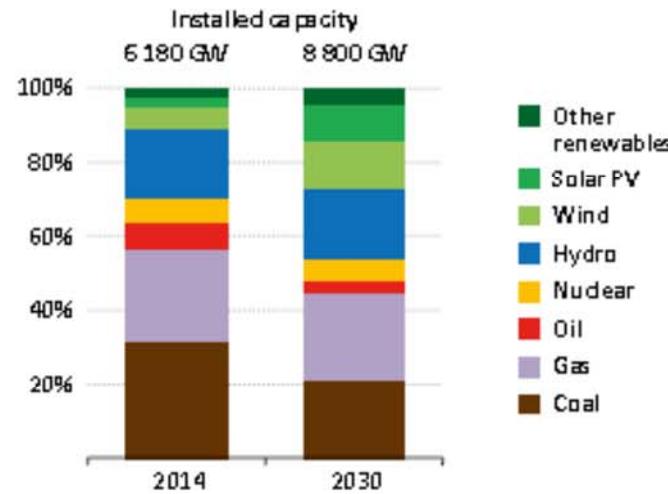
TOP Countries with highest Electricity Generation from 5 Power sources in 2014 (TWh)



- 24 Trillion kWh of electricity generated annually (2014)

Source: US DOE, EIA (2016)

Worldwide Generation Capacity Mix and Future



2016 International Energy Outlook, EIA 2016

World net electricity generation by energy source,
 2012 in Trillion kWh (EIA, 2016)

U.S. Electricity Facts

- Over 3,200 utilities, 60,000 substations, 160,000 miles of high-voltage transmission lines, 7 million miles of distribution circuit
- As of Dec 31, 2015, generation capacity of 1,176,185 MW
- In 2015, total U.S. electricity generation was 4,087,381 GWh
 - U.S. investor-owned electric companies accounted for 1,489,472 GWh, or 36.4 percent of total U.S. electricity generation
 - 13.4% of generation from renewables includes 6.1% from Hydropower and 7.3% from other renewables including wind and solar.
- Total revenues of \$388 billion, average revenue 10.42 cents/kWh

Sources: EIA, EEI

U.S. Electricity Generation Mix

- U.S. electricity generation mix at utility-scale facilities in 2016 (EIA)
 - Natural gas = 33.8%
 - Coal = 30.4%
 - Nuclear = 19.7%
 - Renewables (total) = 14.9%
 - Hydropower = 6.5%
 - Wind = 5.6%
 - Biomass = 1.5%
 - Solar = 0.9%
 - Geothermal = 0.4%
 - Petroleum = 0.6%
 - Other gases = 0.3%
 - Other nonrenewable sources = 0.3%
 - Pumped storage hydroelectricity = -0.2%

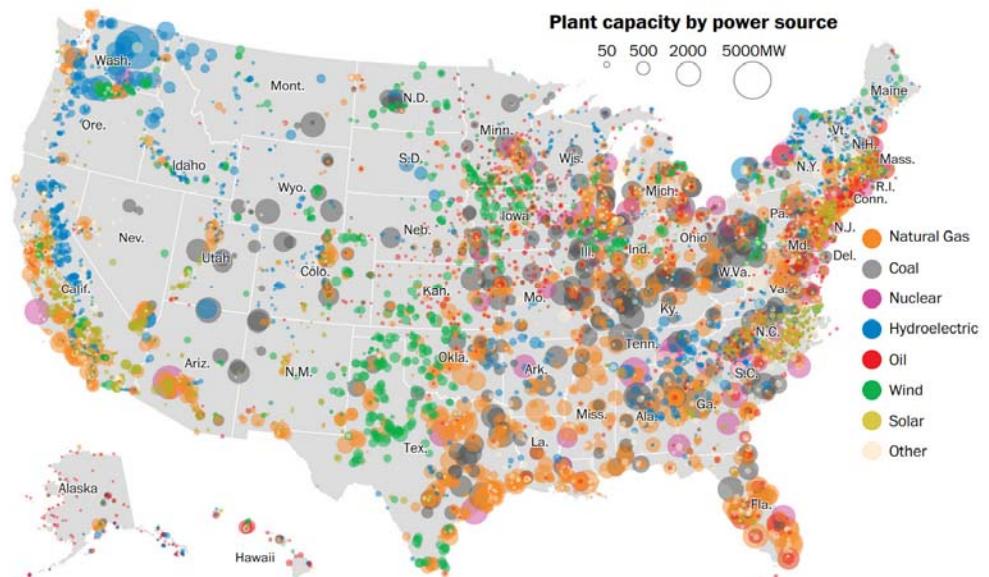


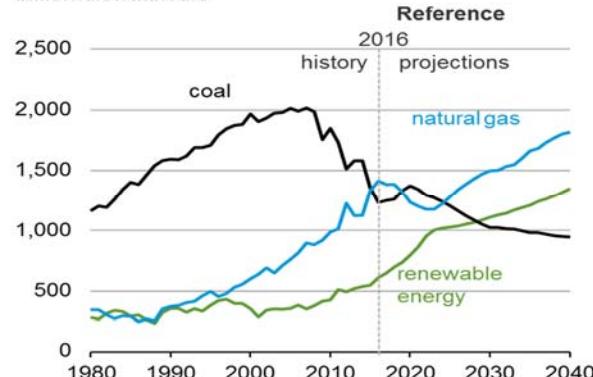
Image credit: Washington Post

Global Trends in Energy

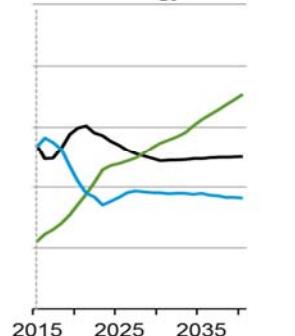
- Aging Electricity Infrastructure
 - Grid security and resiliency
 - Need for Grid modernization
 - Transition to a distributed generation model
- Transformation of the Grid Edge
- Transition Towards a Renewable Electricity Regime
 - Distributed energy sources, improve resiliency, rapid adaption to climate and demographics change
- Smart Grids and High Level Systems Integration
 - Optimization distributed energy systems across multiple platforms and use regimes (residential, commercial and utility scale)

Capacity Additions and Retirements

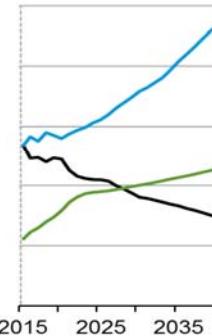
U.S. net electricity generation from select fuels
billion kilowatthours



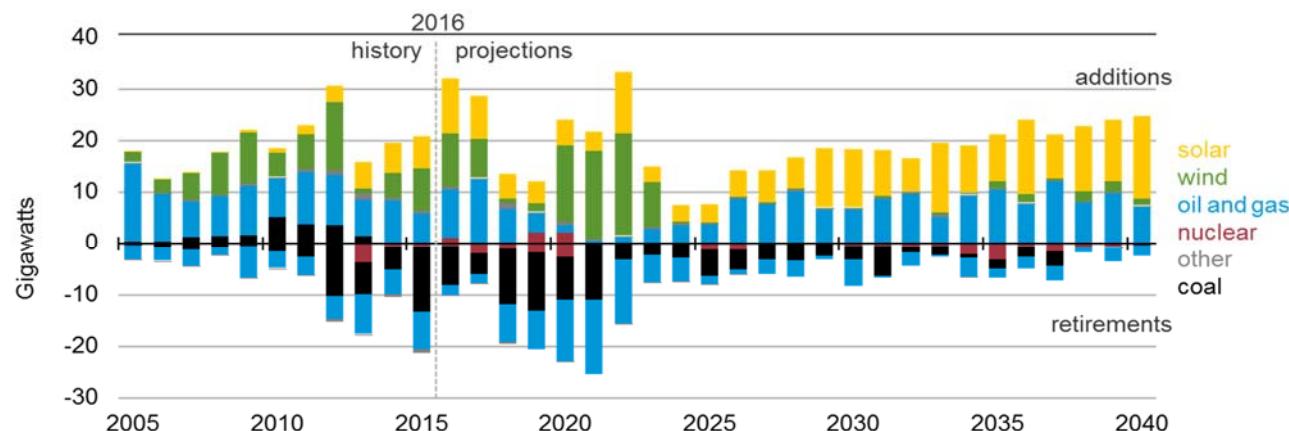
Low Oil and Gas Resource and Technology



High Oil and Gas Resource and Technology



Source: EIA, Annual Energy Outlook 2017

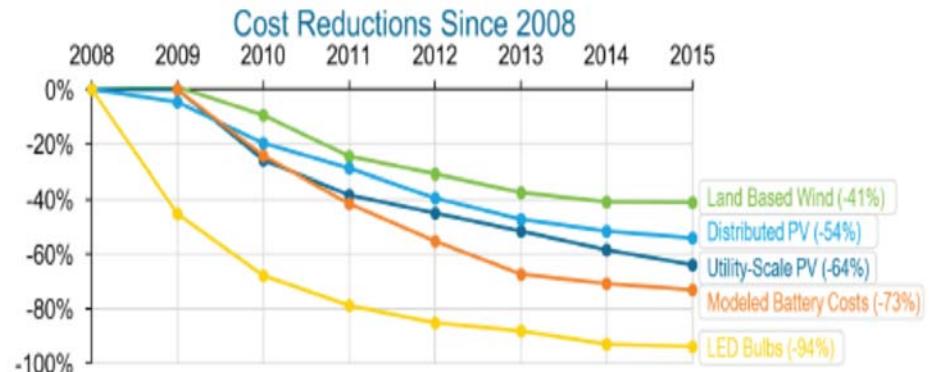


Source: EIA, Annual Energy Outlook 2017

- Natural gas resource availability affects prices and plays a critical role in determining the generation mix.
- Coal-fired unit retirements primarily driven by low natural gas prices

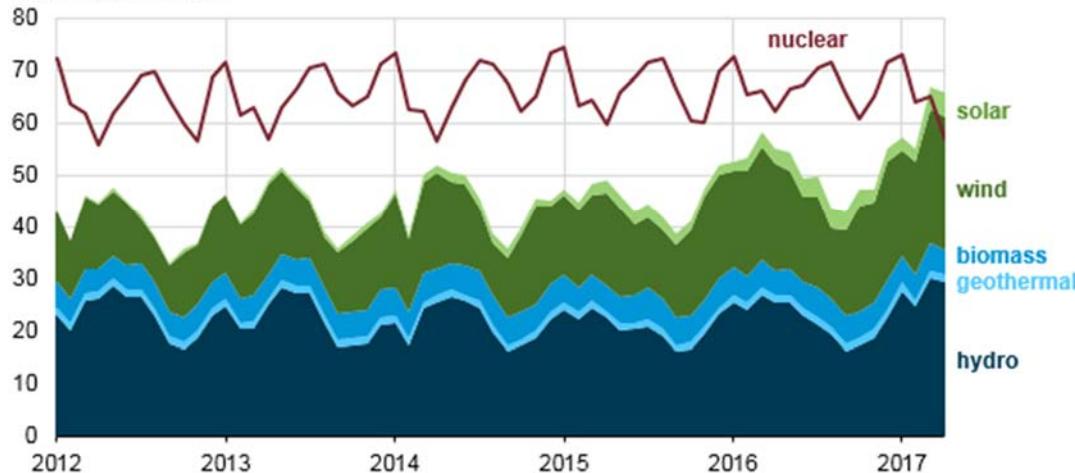
Renewable Energy Growth

- Reductions in solar and wind capital costs and clean energy tax credits sustaining rapid renewable growth:
 - Cost reductions primarily due to high volume manufacturing and large scale deployments



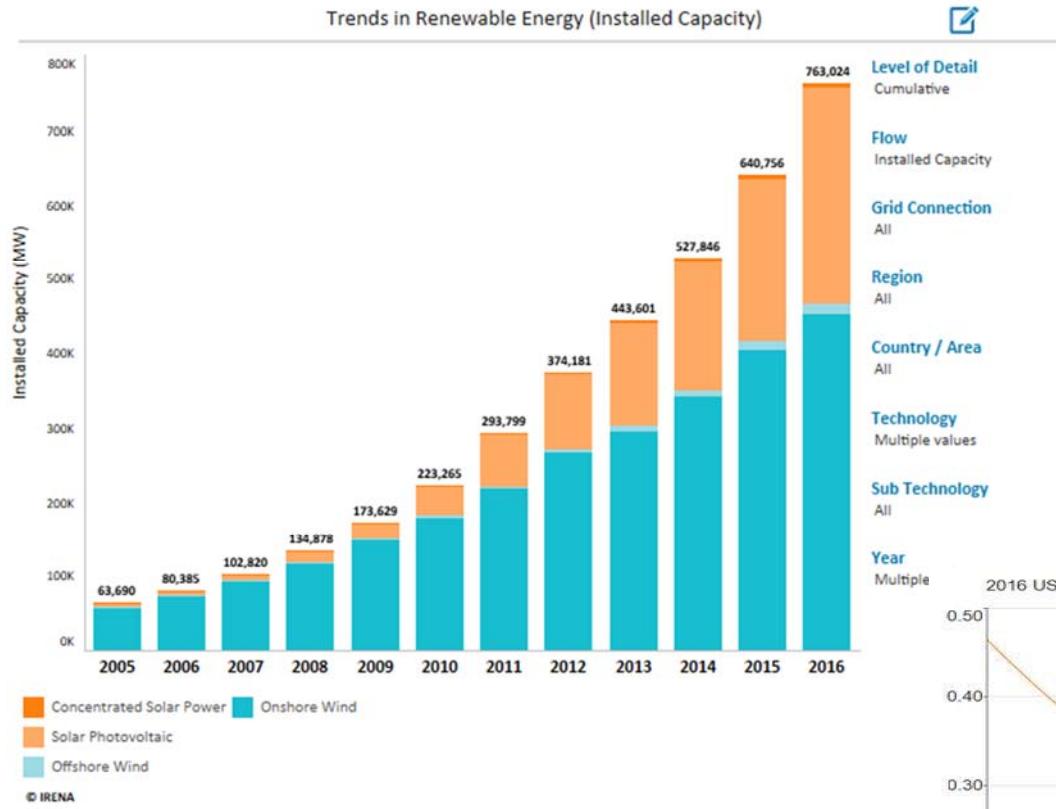
<http://energy.gov/eere/downloads/revolutionnow-2016-update>

Monthly electricity generation from selected fuels (Jan 2012 - Apr 2017)
billion kilowatthours



- Utility-scale renewables generation in the US surpassed nuclear generation in April 2017.
- GTM Forecasts by 2021, solar, storage and wind capacity additions will exceed natural gas in California (GTM Research).

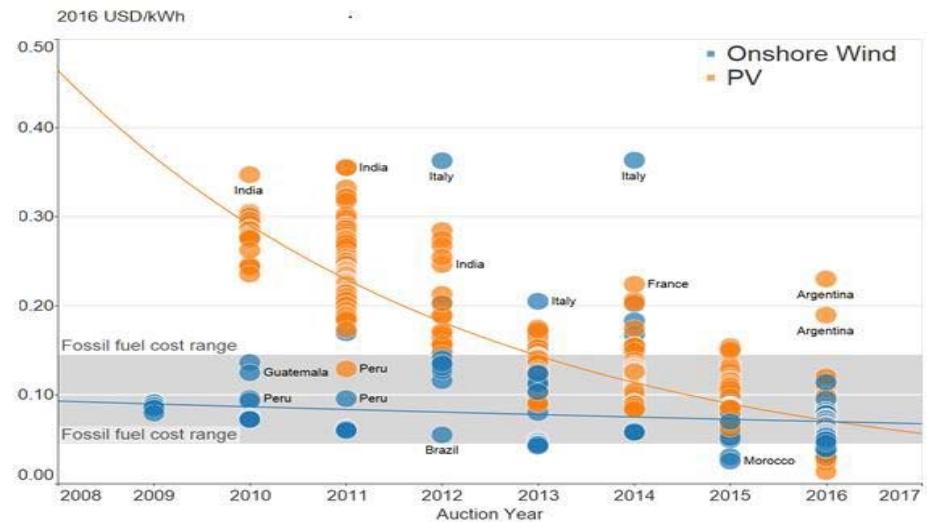
Implications of Renewables on the Power Sector



- CSP @ 9.5 UScents/kWh (Dubai)
- Solar PV @ 2.4 -3 UScents/kWh (Mexico, Abu Dhabi)
- Onshore Wind @ 3 UScents/kWh (Morocco, Mexico)

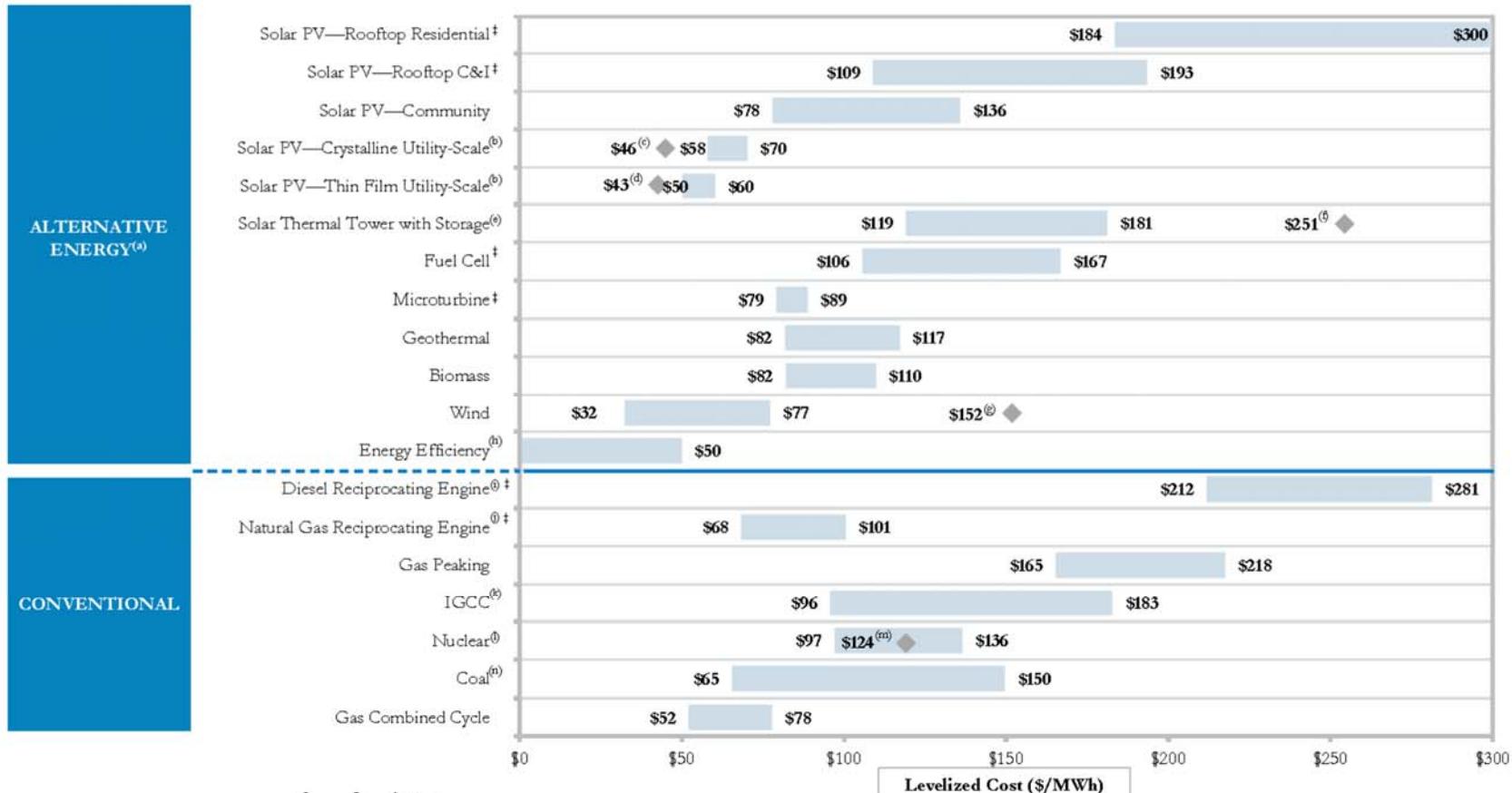
Rapidly Improving Economics

- Convergence of solar PV and onshore wind prices
- Projects for a wide range of technologies and locations are being offered at very low long-term PPAs



IEA, IRENA, 2017

Unsubsidized Levelized Cost of Energy Comparison



Lazard, 2016

Wind and solar PV have become increasingly cost-competitive with conventional generation technologies on an unsubsidized basis.

Grid Modernization

- Economic drivers
 - Aging electric power system exacts substantial costs due to outages and inefficient energy technologies.
- Environmental drivers
 - Increasing frequency and severity of extreme weather (drought, storms, etc.) affects the ability to generate power and stress the resiliency of electric power grid.
- Security drivers
 - Physical: damage to infrastructure by malicious actors or natural hazards increasing risk to critical assets
 - Cyber: disruption of energy production/energy flow and damage to equipment caused by cyber threats/attacks.
- Competitiveness drivers
 - Increasing competition worldwide in energy sector as countries are moving toward clean energy technologies
 - Improving competitiveness domestically and globally requires steep cost reduction by technology/manufacturing advances, and competitive energy market



Image credit: AP



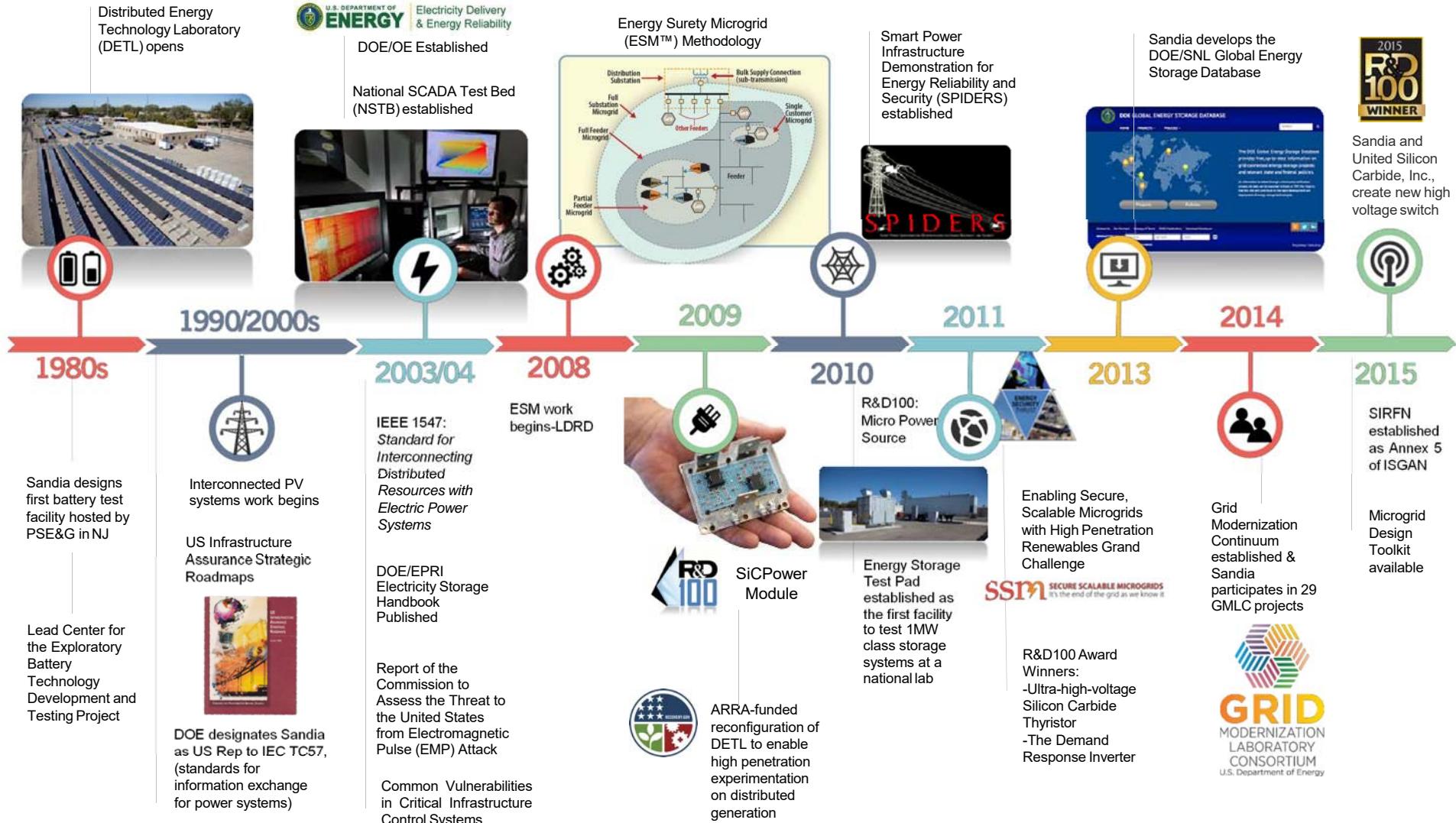
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Research & Development Needs

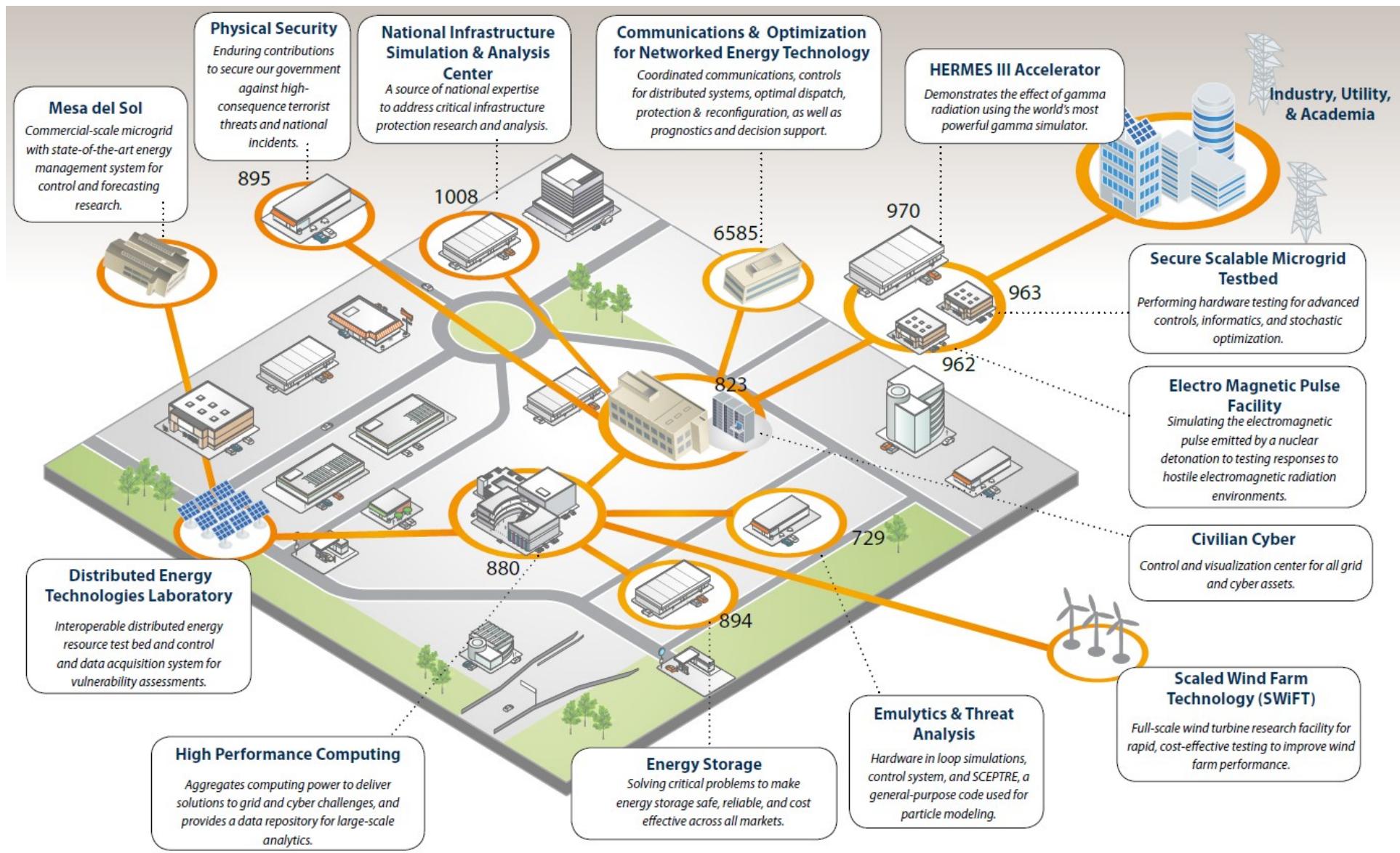


Electric systems	Traditional Grid	Development Trends and Needs	Future Grid
Generation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large centralized power plants Dispatchable generation Mechanically coupled Minimal DER 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Growing role of DER Energy storage New planning tools to handle RE Control coordination NG replacing coal plants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hybrid control architectures Bidirectional power flows and stochastic loads Power electronic centric infrastructure across the grid
Transmission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCADA for status visibility Operator-based controls Aging infrastructure. Low peaking capacity utilization. Threats/vulnerabilities not well defined 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VDC transmission Growing dc loads Improving EMS Integrated planning tools Growing security awareness Increasing role of storage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wide-spread PMU deployment Coordinated sensing and control infrastructure System-wide dynamic power flow management Resilient and self healing
Distribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimal to non-existent sensing and automation Radial design and one-way power flows Aging distribution infrastructure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deployment of ADMS FACT/inverter enabled voltage regulation Early adoption of storage in distribution systems 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Truly bi-directional power flows and large scale DG Pervasive sensing and communications Local, autonomous coordination Asynchronous networks
Consumption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional, location and customer specific rate structure Uniformly high reliability Predictable behavior based on historical needs and weather Reliable, yet inflexible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Customer-determined reliability/power quality Real time pricing, time of use rates, demand charges Improved utility communications Behind-the-meter storage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Autonomous microgrids Advanced EMS Widespread DERs and transactive energy Pervasive sensor environment
Operation/Market structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vertically integrated utilities, wholesale markets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Market reform to compensate for services provided 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diversity of energy products and services

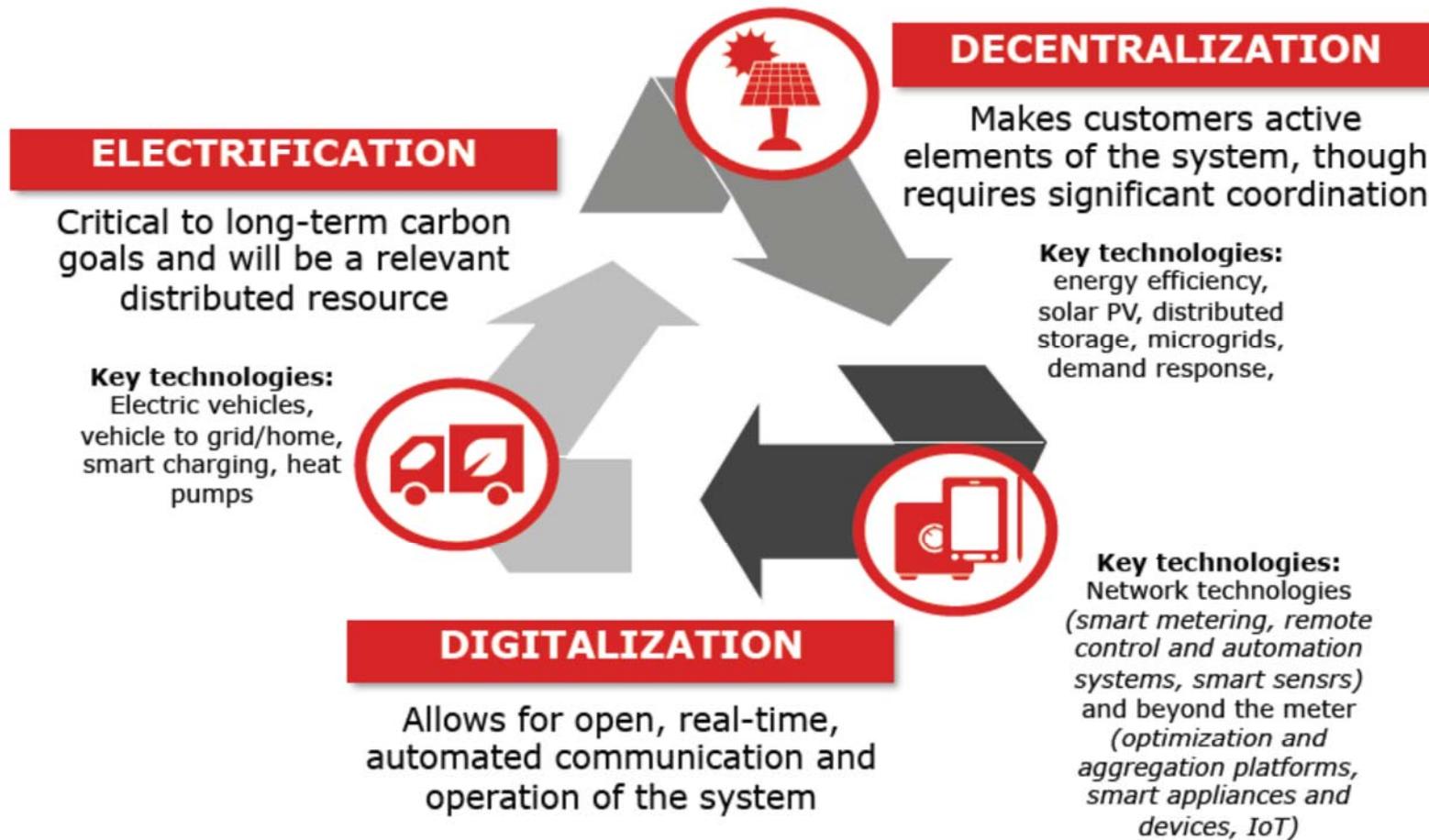
Timeline: Sandia Grid Modernization



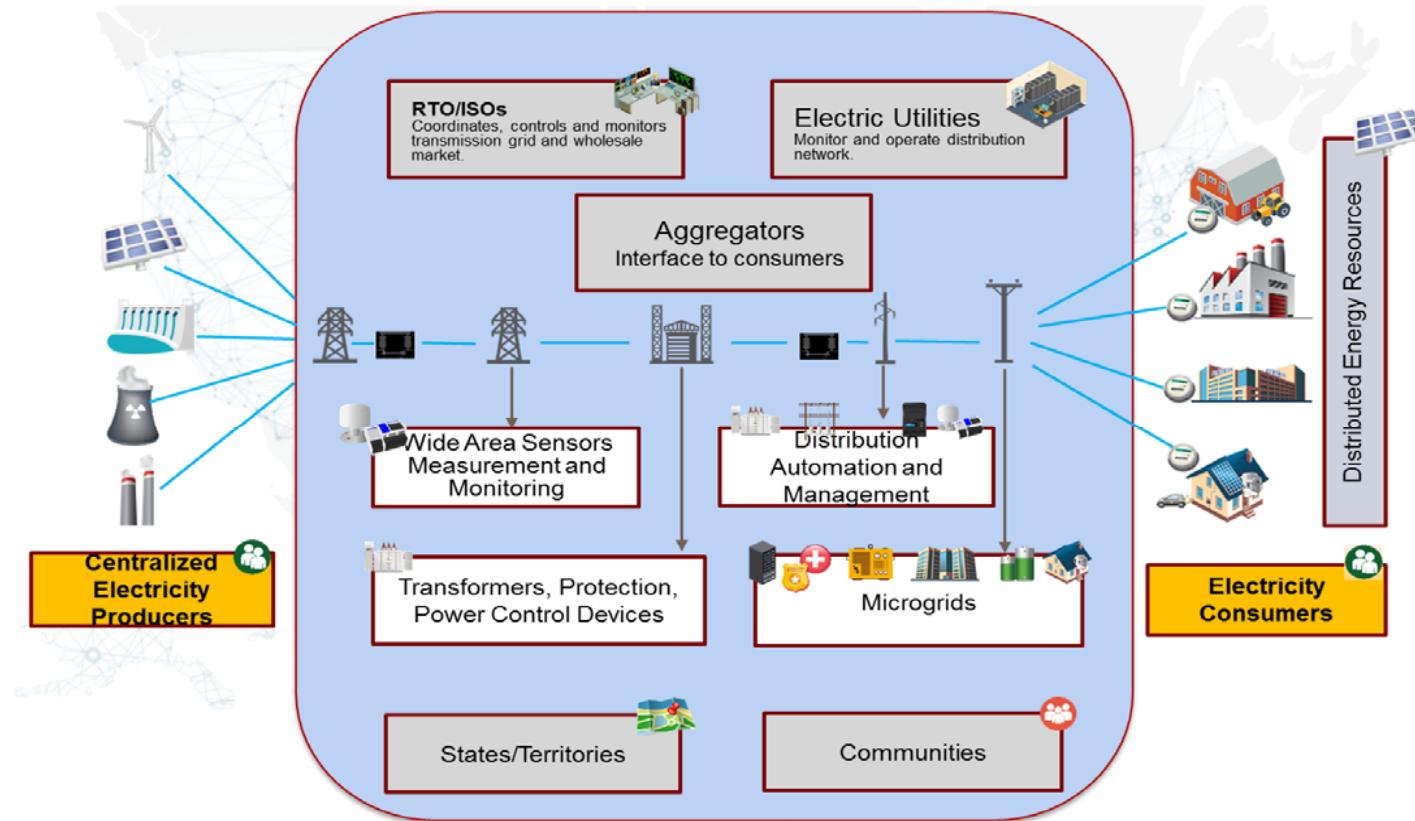
Integrated R&D Capabilities



Grid Edge Transformation



Grid is evolving towards a Hybrid Architecture



- Throughout these changes in the next 20-30 years, a hybrid grid architecture will emerge: mix of resources, entities, architectures
- Energy Storage is key for the Future Grid. ES needed at every level.

Application Drivers for Grid Energy Storage

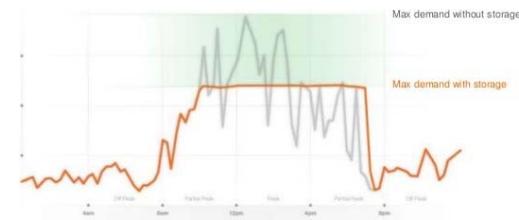


Grid-scale energy storage can enable significant cost savings to industry while improving infrastructure reliability and efficiency

- Grid resiliency and reliability
- Improving power quality
- Improving the efficiency of existing generation fleet
- Demand management
- Renewable integration
- Transmission & Distribution upgrade deferral
- Off-grid applications



Mitigate \$79B/yr in commercial losses from outages



Reduce commercial and industrial electrical bills through demand charge management. 7.5 million U.S. customers are enrolled in dynamic pricing (EIA 2015)



Balance the variability of 825 GW of new renewable generation while improving grid reliability and efficiency.

Example – Peak Shaving in NYISO

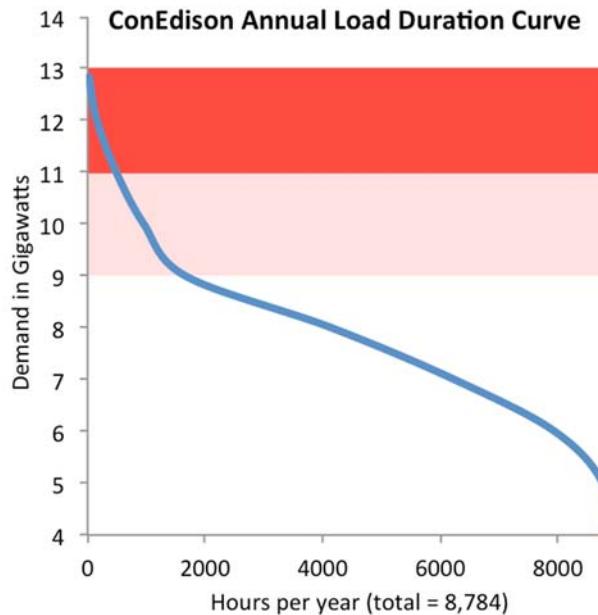


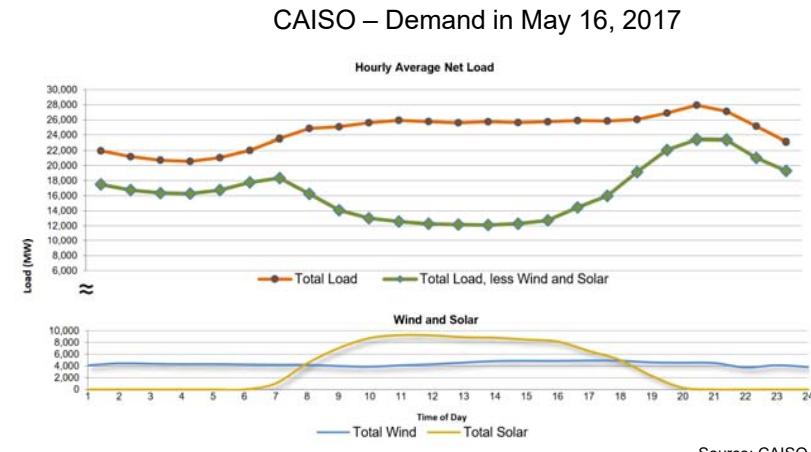
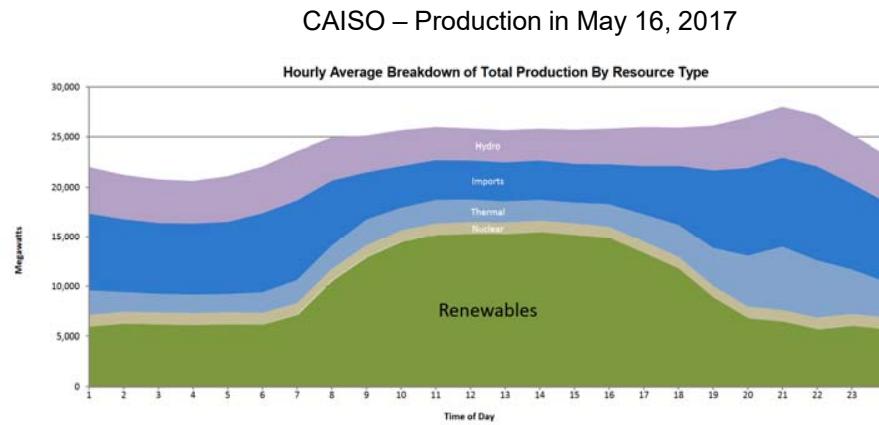
Table I-1: NYCA Energy and Demand Forecasts Net of Energy Saving Impacts

2017 Long Term Forecast ¹ - 2017 to 2027			
Energy - GWh			
Year	Low ³	Baseline ⁴	High ³
2016	159,169		
2017	156,755	158,632	160,504
2018	156,128	157,996	159,859
2019	155,546	157,405	159,258
2020	154,903	156,752	158,598
2021	154,017	155,855	157,689
2022	153,613	155,444	157,271
2023	153,468	155,298	157,124
2024	153,306	155,135	156,959
2025	153,182	155,009	156,832
2026	153,094	154,920	156,743
2027	153,143	154,971	156,795
Summer Peak Demand - MW			
Year	Low ³	Baseline ^{4,5}	High ³
2016	33,225		
2017	29,980	33,178	35,487
2018	29,891	33,078	35,375
2019	29,854	33,035	35,326
2020	29,817	32,993	35,279
2021	29,832	33,009	35,297
2022	29,856	33,034	35,323
2023	29,911	33,096	35,388
2024	29,962	33,152	35,448
2025	30,034	33,232	35,533
2026	30,118	33,324	35,629
2027	30,185	33,398	35,707
Winter Peak Demand - MW			
Year	Low ³	Baseline ⁴	High ³
2016-17	24,416		
2017-18	22,693	24,365	25,989
2018-19	22,628	24,294	25,913
2019-20	22,546	24,207	25,821
2020-21	22,439	24,090	25,696
2021-22	22,394	24,043	25,645
2022-23	22,375	24,023	25,624
2023-24	22,361	24,008	25,607
2024-25	22,362	24,007	25,606
2025-26	22,356	24,001	25,600
2026-27	22,356	24,001	25,599
2027-28	22,356	24,000	25,599
Average Annual Growth - Percent			
Period	Low	Baseline	High
2017-27	-0.23%	-0.23%	-0.23%
2017-22	-0.40%	-0.41%	-0.41%
2022-27	-0.06%	-0.06%	-0.06%
Period	Low	Baseline	High
2017-27	0.07%	0.07%	0.06%
2017-22	-0.08%	-0.09%	-0.09%
2022-27	0.22%	0.22%	0.22%
Period	Low	Baseline	High
2017-27	-0.15%	-0.15%	-0.15%
2017-22	-0.28%	-0.28%	-0.28%
2022-27	-0.02%	-0.02%	-0.02%

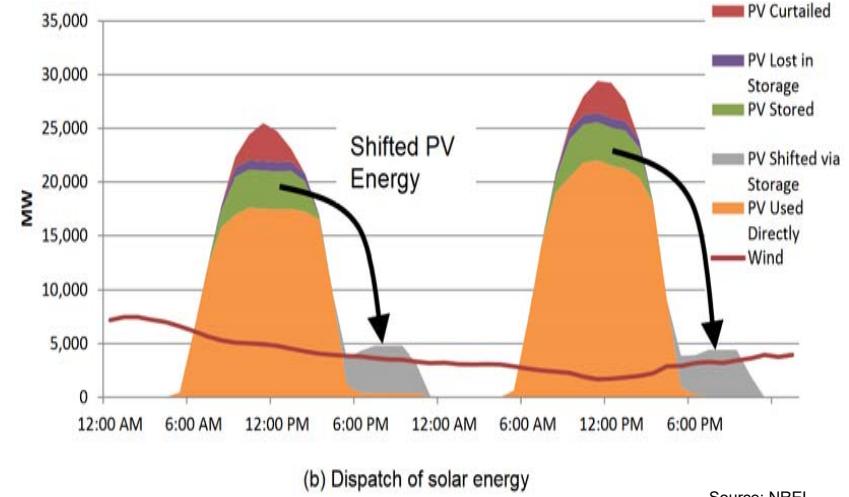
Source: ConEdison, NYISO

- Top 15% (~5GW) of total demand runs 7 days/yr, <2% of the time
 - Cutting top 100 hours saves \$1.7B annually
 - Opportunity for energy storage: at least 500 GWh

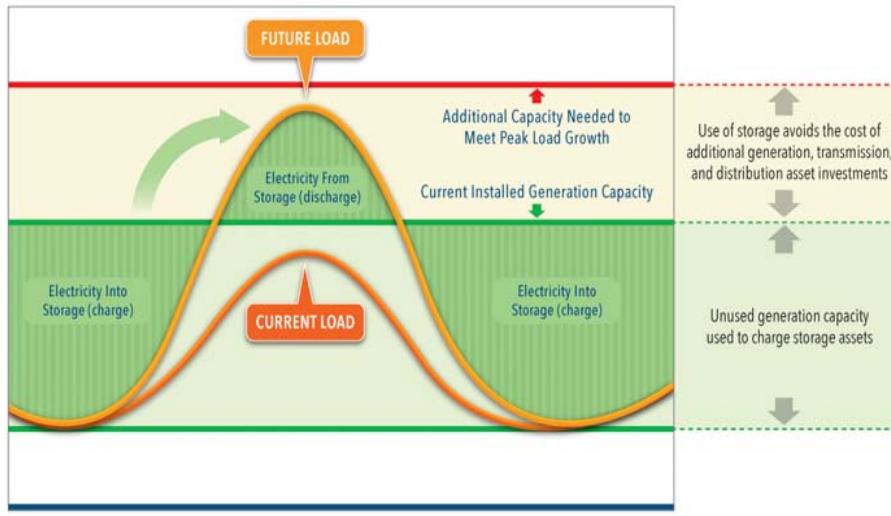
Example – High RE Penetration



- In May 16, 2017, RE penetration in CAISO reached 42%
 - Ramp rate support needed: 12GW in 4 hours
 - Opportunity for energy storage in ramp support + peak shaving : at least 50 GWh in CA alone

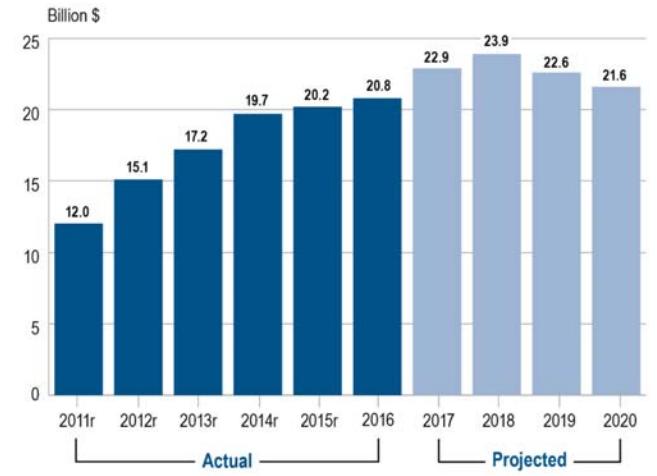


Example – T&D Deferral



Source: NRStor Inc

Historical and Projected Transmission Investment
(Nominal Dollars)



- According to a new report from Navigant Research, global installed energy storage power capacity for T&D deferral is expected to grow from **331.7 MW** in 2017 to **14,324.8 MW** in 2026.

Example – Substation Resilience



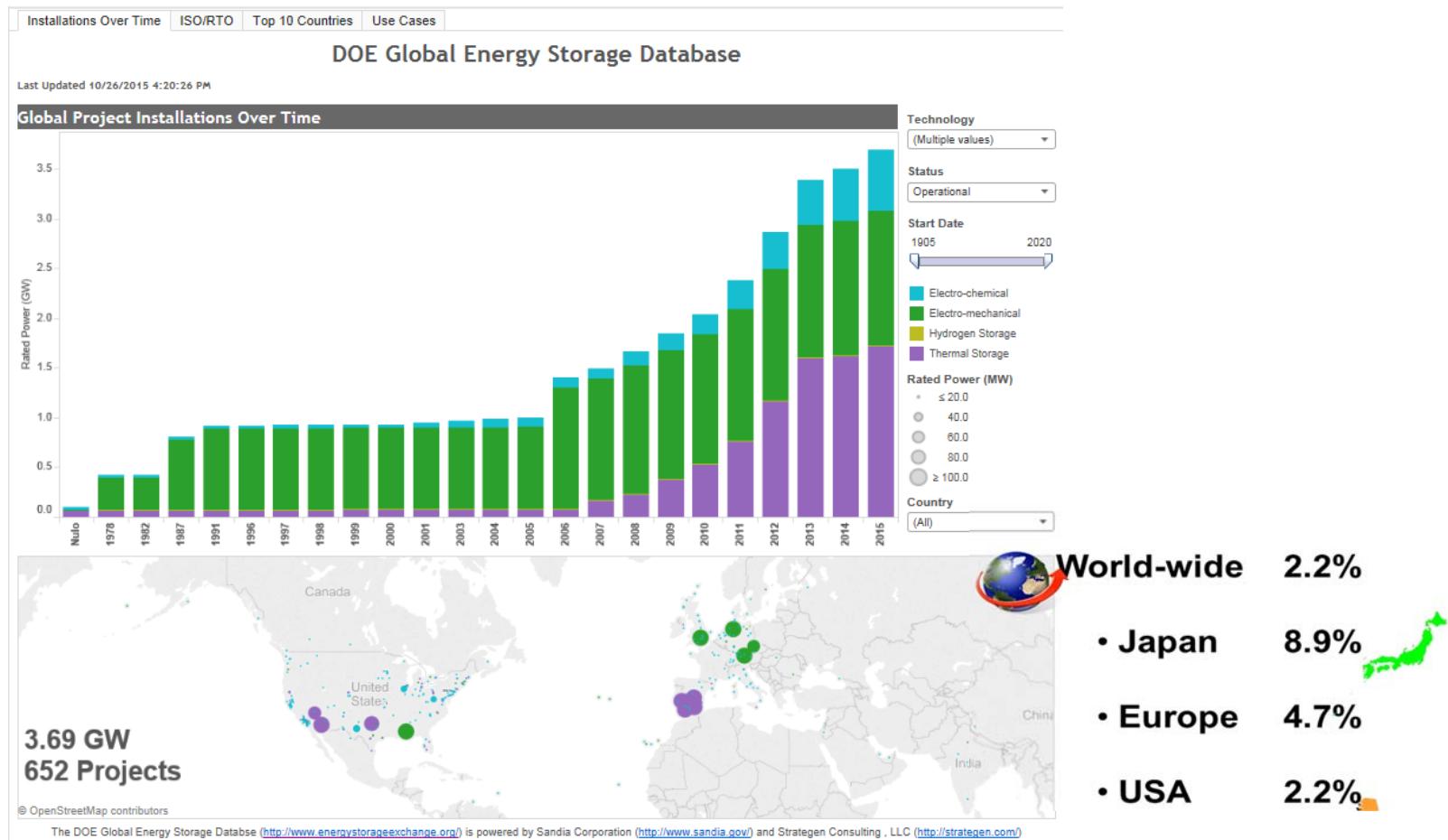
100kW/400kWh Vanadium Redox Flow Battery
EPB, Chattanooga, TN



AES Gener Los Andes Substation, Atacama Desert, Chile
Source: AES Energy Storage

- Big opportunity for ESS in substation resilience
 - Imagine: US mandates 1MW ESS for each of the 66,000 substations

Energy Storage on the Grid Today



Source: DOE Global Energy Storage Database

Current Battery Energy Storage deployments (Operational as of Nov. 2017)



Energy Storage Comparison

Globally

- 1.7 GW - *Battery Energy Storage (BES)*
- ~170 GW - *Pumped Hydro Storage (PHS)*

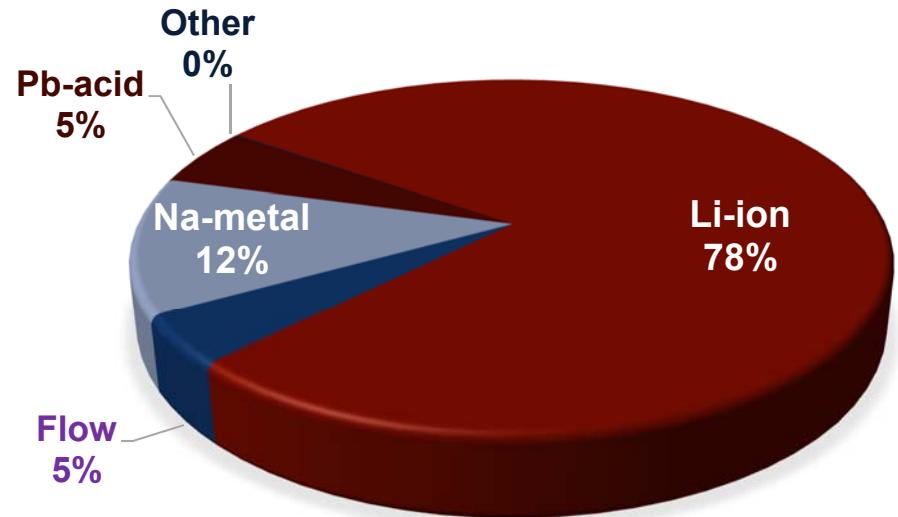
U.S.

- 0.33 GW BES
- 22.7 GW PHS

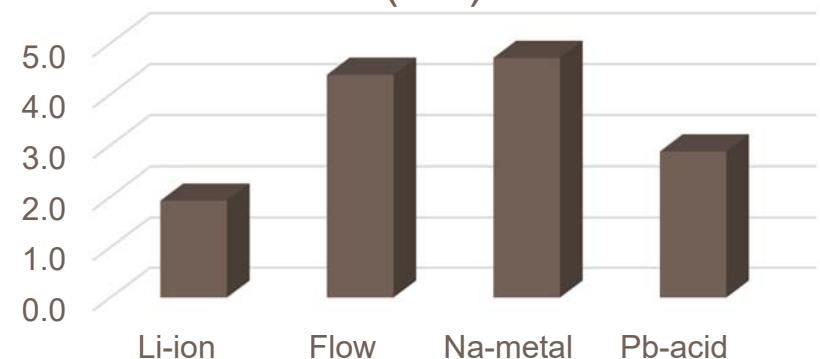
% of U.S. Generation Capacity

- 0.03% BES
- 2.2% BES + PHS

Source: DOE Global Energy Storage Database
<http://www.energystorageexchange.org/> Nov. 2017



Average Duration Discharge (hrs)



Examples of recent installations



SD G&E 30 MW/120 MWh Li-ion Battery
Escondido, CA



3 MW/3 MWh Ultrabattery
East Lyons, PA



100kW/400kWh Flow Battery
EPB, Chattanooga, TN



SCE 20MW/80MWh Li-ion Battery
Mira Loma, CA



NGK 34MW/245 MWh NaS
Rokkasho, Japan



AVISTA 1 MW/3.2 MWh Flow Battery
Pullman, WA

Has Energy Storage Arrived?

Large projects are being built or being proposed.

- January 2017 - Kauai Island Utility Cooperative signed a solar-plus-storage PPA at \$0.11/kWh. This 28 MW PV and 100 MWh of batteries will displace the utility's current oil-fired baseload generation.
- May 2017 - Tucson Electric Power signed a PPA with NextEra Energy for a solar-plus-storage system at "an all-in cost significantly less than \$0.045/kWh over 20 years." 100 MW PV and a 30 MW/120 MWh energy storage system.
- San Diego Gas & Electric commissioned a 30 MW/120 MWh Li-ion battery energy storage system in Escondido, CA (Sept'17)

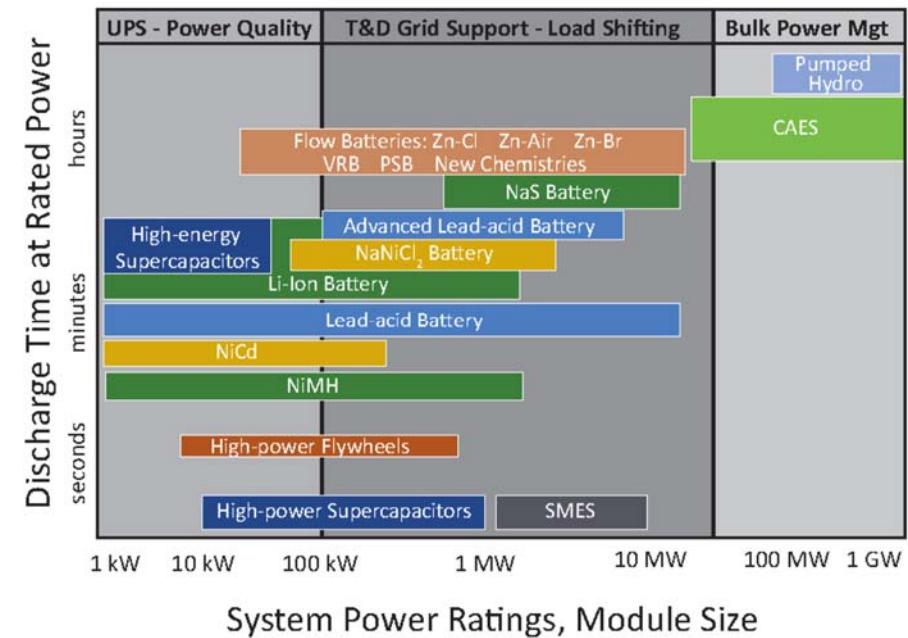


SDG&E 30 MW/120 MWh Li-ion battery energy storage system in Escondido, Calif.

Compared to the need, scale of energy storage deployments are insignificant.

Energy Storage Applications

- Energy storage application time scale
 - “Energy” applications – slower times scale, large amounts of energy
 - “Power” applications – faster time scale, real-time control of the electric grid
- The grid needs energy storage – right now there are several barriers
 - Expensive, especially in energy markets (**need for continued R&D**)
 - Electricity markets do not have market mechanisms for services ES can provide (**need to reduce regulatory/policy hurdles**)
- The future
 - Higher energy prices – storage starts looking better
 - Lower technology costs – storage starts looking better
 - Efficient market design – helps pay for storage costs



Source: DOE/EPRI Electricity Storage Handbook in Collaboration with NRECA, 2013

Gaps in Technology and Implementation



Grid is evolving towards a hybrid architecture. Energy Storage is key for the Future Grid where energy storage is needed throughout the grid infrastructure.

- Technology gaps
 - Existing storage solutions are expensive for most applications
 - Deep discharge and longer cycle life
 - Safe and reliable chemistry
 - Scalable technologies to cover all markets/applications
- Implementation
 - Performance data
 - Validation of storage
 - Organizational adaptability of new technologies

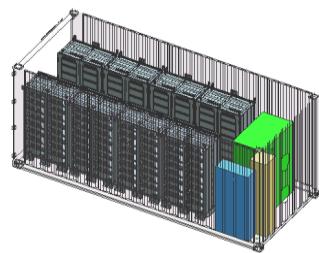
Elements of an Energy Storage System



Storage	Integration	PCS	EMS
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cell• Battery Management & Protection• Racking	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Container / Housing• Wiring• Climate control	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bi-directional Inverter• Switchgear• Transformer• Skid	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Charge / Discharge• Load Management• Ramp rate control• Grid Stability

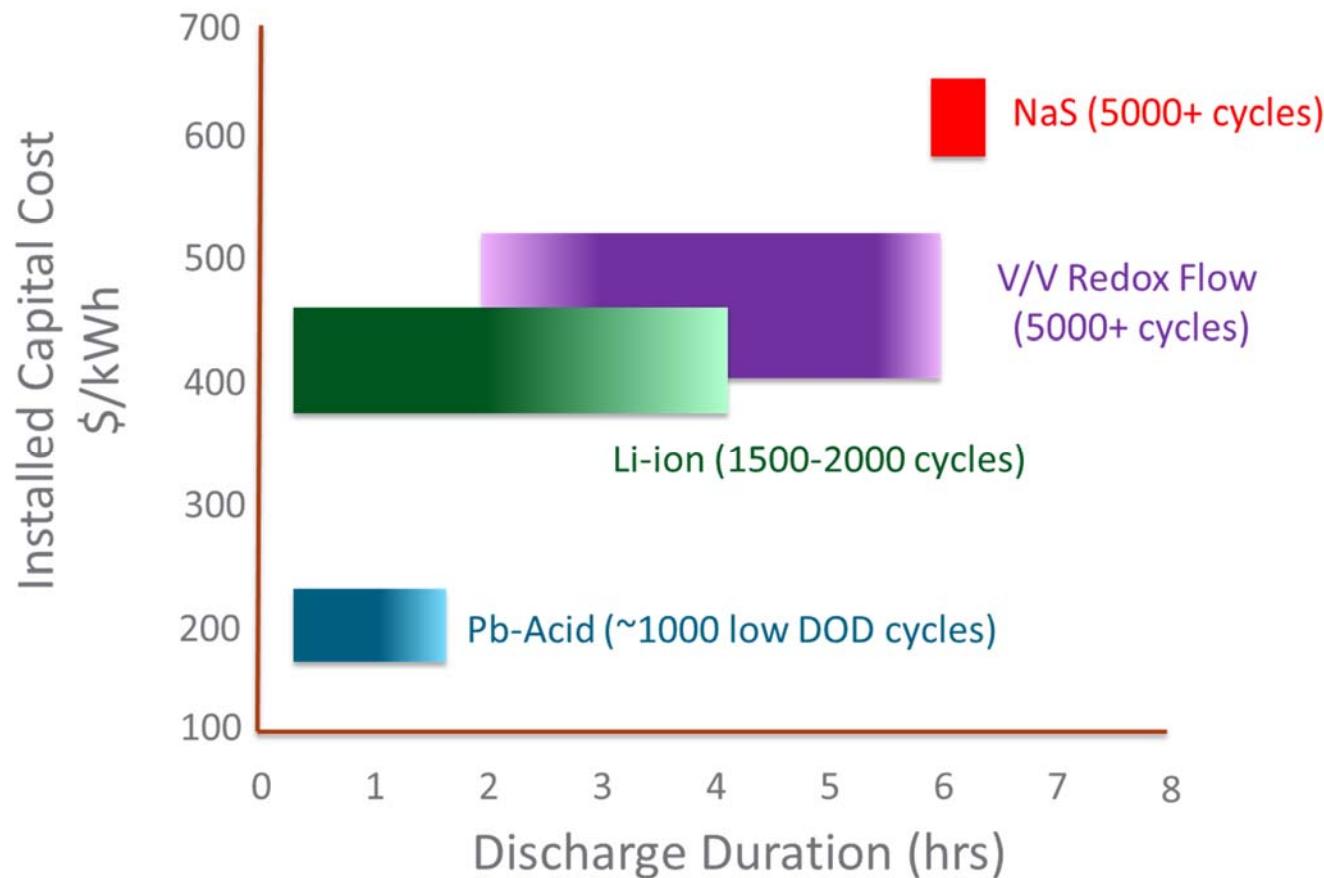
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Soft Costs



Cell to Battery to a Storage System
Doubling in cost, \$250/kWh battery leads to \$500-\$700/kWh at the System level

Grid Scale Batteries System Capital Costs (Q4'2017)

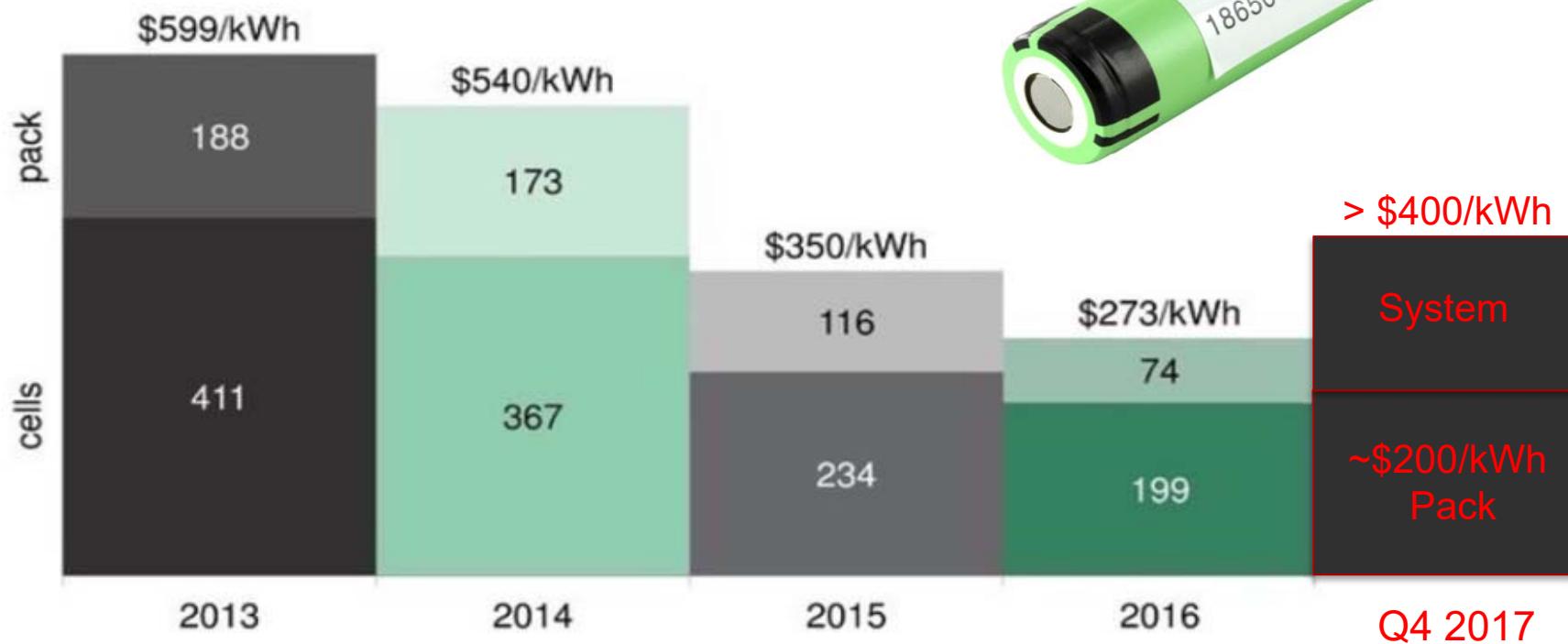


V. Sprengle, PNNL, 2017

Lithium Ion Battery Prices



Battery Prices Are Falling



Battery surveys include electric vehicles. Source: Bloomberg New Energy Finance

V. Sprengle, PNNL, 2017

Need for Large Format Cells



7,104 cells



18650 cell format used in 85
kWh Tesla battery

<http://insideevs.com/look-inside-a-tesla-model-s-battery-pac/>

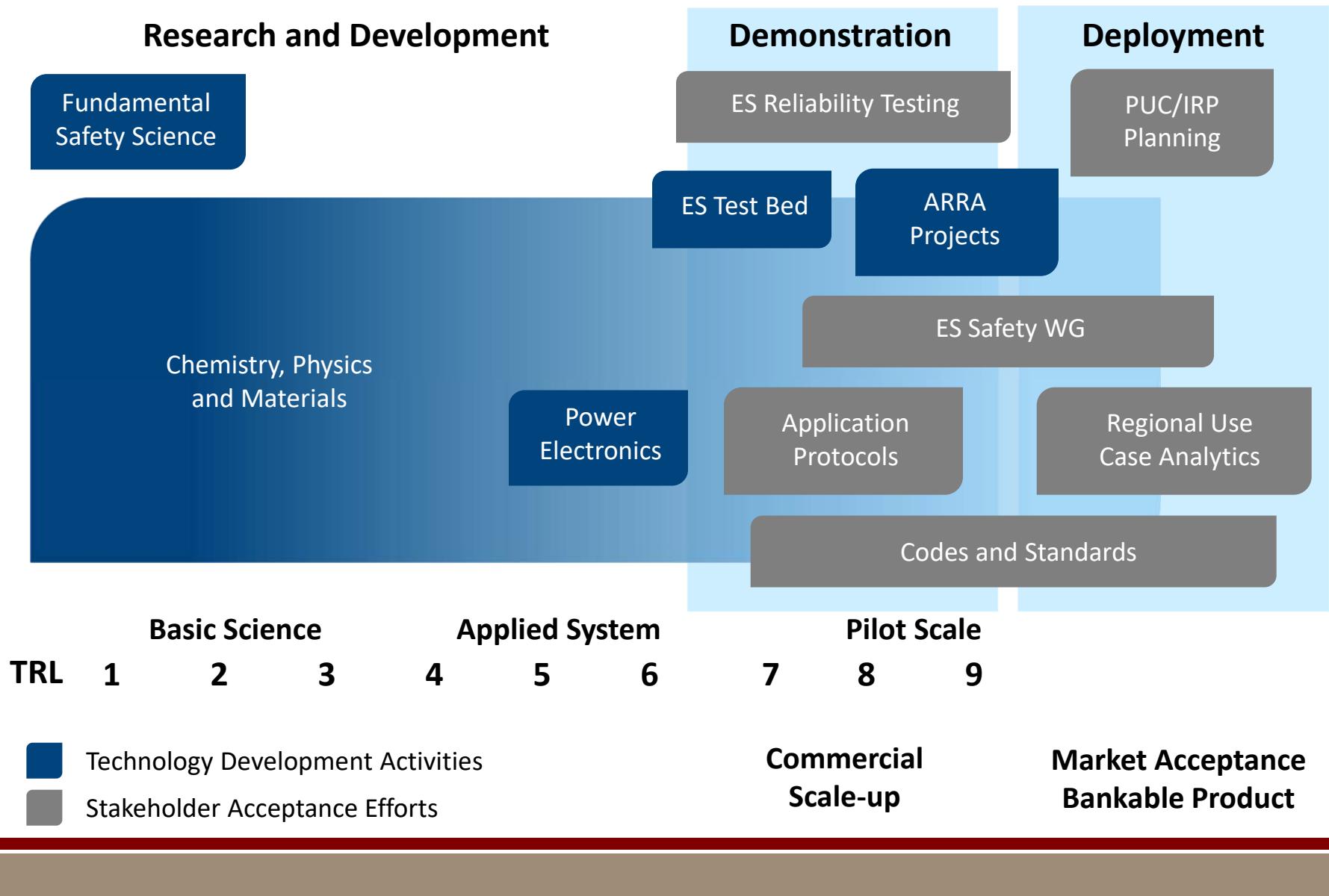
<http://club.dx.com/forums/forums.dx/threadid.457734>



*A system like 20MW -80MWh Mira Loma
Battery Storage Facility would require in
excess of 6 million of 18650 cells*

***Large form factor cells are needed
to further drive system cost lower***

DOE OE Energy Storage Program



Sandia Grid Energy Storage R&D



- Program goal is to solve critical problems to make energy storage safe, reliable, and cost effective across all markets.
 - Advancing new battery chemistries through technology development and commercialization
 - Optimization at the interface between power electronics and electrochemistry
 - Engineered safety of large systems. Predictive models for storage systems safety
 - Controls and analytics for integration of utility class storage systems
 - Lower BOS and Integration Costs
 - Defining role in the Grid of the Future
- Support demonstration projects and outreach to utilities, regulators, and the industry
- Large multidisciplinary team leveraging resources across the laboratory and outside partners

Sandia ES R&D Program



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 - Excellence in energy storage safety. Predictive models for storage systems safety – safety through large scale systems simulation and optimization
 - Controls and analytics for integration of utility class energy storage systems
 - Defining role in the Grid of the Future

Major Competencies

- Materials R&D including electrochemical materials and new battery chemistries
- Power electronics including high voltage devices (SiC, GaN) and modules
- Energy storage safety – cell and module level safety test and analysis (BATLab, ESTP)
- Energy storage project development
- Developing competencies in analytics and control for energy storage systems

Energy Storage is a Major Crosscut

Wide ranging R&D covering energy storage technologies with applications in the grid, transportation, and stationary storage

Grid Storage and the Need for Large Format Batteries



- Engineering costs are significant for small format cells. Large format cells are needed to reduce overall system costs.
- Large format cells also allow for tighter integration of power electronics, sensors, SOH monitoring at the cell level.

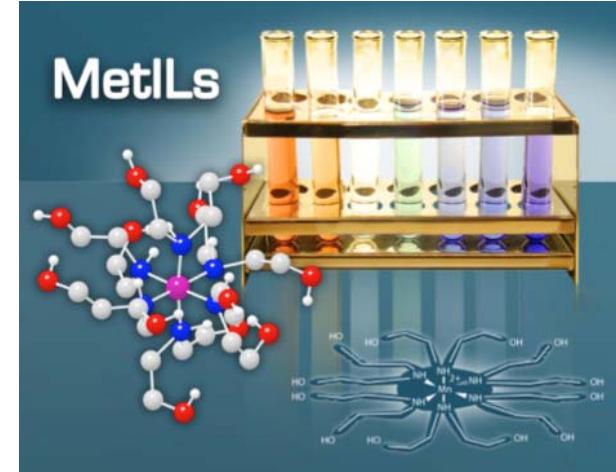


Materials & Systems Development

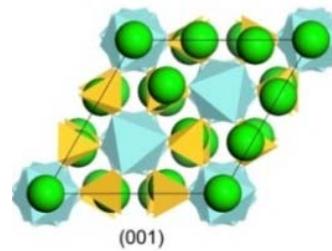
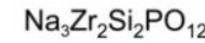


Battery chemistry and component technologies:

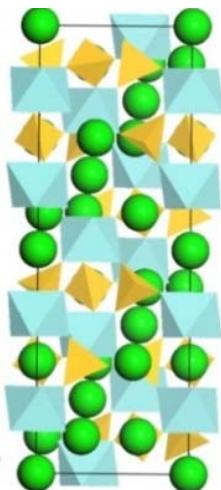
- Low Cost Membranes for Flow Batteries
- Sodium Based Batteries
- Advanced Materials for Ionic Liquid Flow Batteries
- High Voltage Capacitors
- Soft Magnetics
- Lightweight Composites for Flywheels
- Wide Bandgap Materials and Devices for Power Electronics



NaSICON - sodium super ionic conductor (& separator)



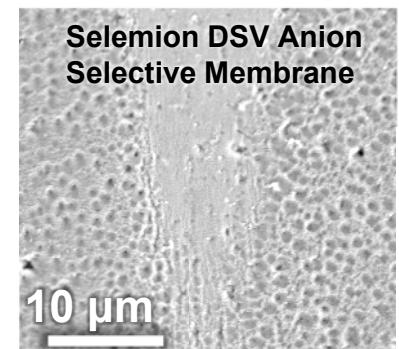
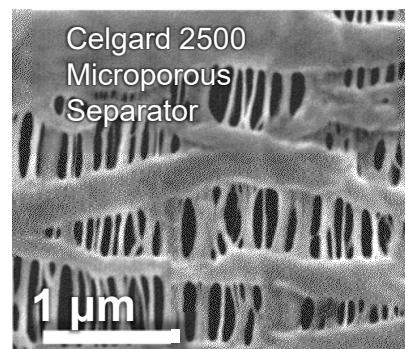
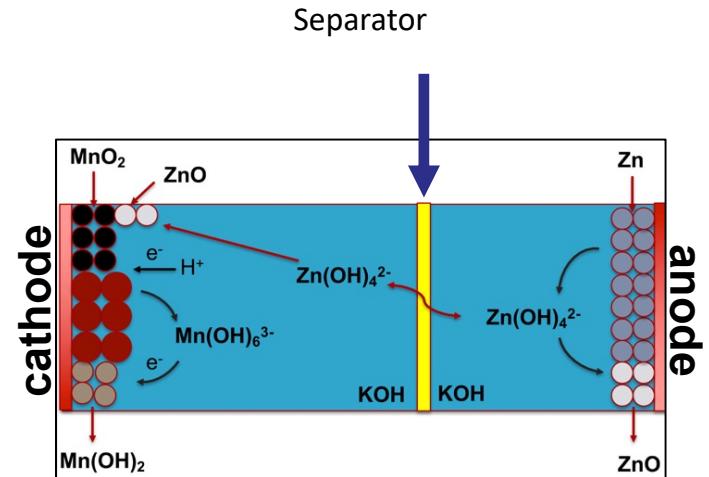
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Separators Define the Interface Between Anode and Cathode



- Fundamentally, a separator must
 - Prevent electronic shorting between anode and cathode
 - Enable facile ionic charge balancing (high ionic conductivity)
- Separators may be
 - Microporous - allows anything smaller than pore size through
 - Ion selective – only specific anions or cations transported



NaS and NaNiCl₂ Batteries

- Two primary chemistries
 - NaS, mature technology, deployed in grid applications
 - NaNiCl₂, mature, more stable than NaS
- NaS first developed by Ford Motor Co. in 1960's
 - Commercialized by NGK in Japan, over 1800 MWh of installed capacity
- NaNiCl₂ (Zebra) developed in South Africa in 1980's
 - FIAMM in limited production, GE no longer in manufacturing
- Neither NaS nor NaNiCl₂ are at high production volumes and the economies of scale needed



NGK 34MW - 245 MWh NaS
Rokkasho, Japan



FIAMM 222-kWh System
Duke Energy Rankin Substation

Molten Na Batteries - Engineering Challenges

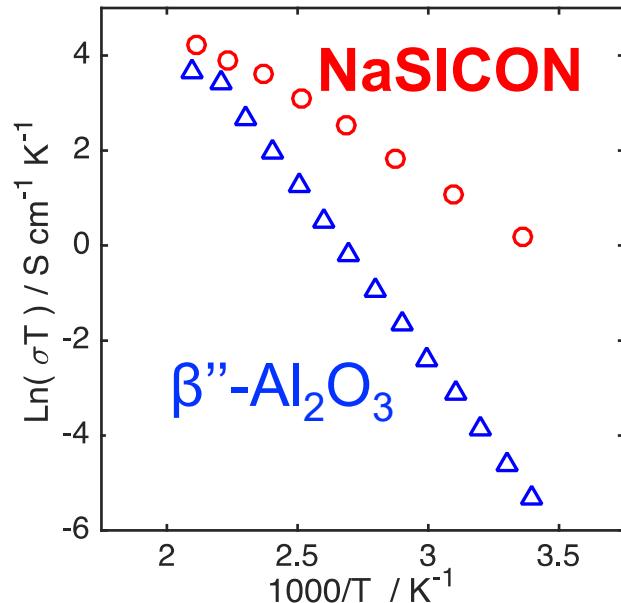


- Low cost active materials, but challenging systems engineering
- Need for high temperature operation, kinetics driven by the solid ceramic electrolyte
 - Typical operating window 250-350 °C. Need for continuous thermal management even when not in use. At lower T, Na metal freezes out, degree of distortion to cell dictated by SOC of battery
- Safety concerns related to membrane rupture. In NaS, failure can lead to exothermic reaction.
- Need hermetic seals.
- Charging/discharging limitations
- How to engineer cells that operate at lower T (150°C or lower)

Low Temperature NaSICON Electrolyte Enables Multiple Na-Battery Chemistries

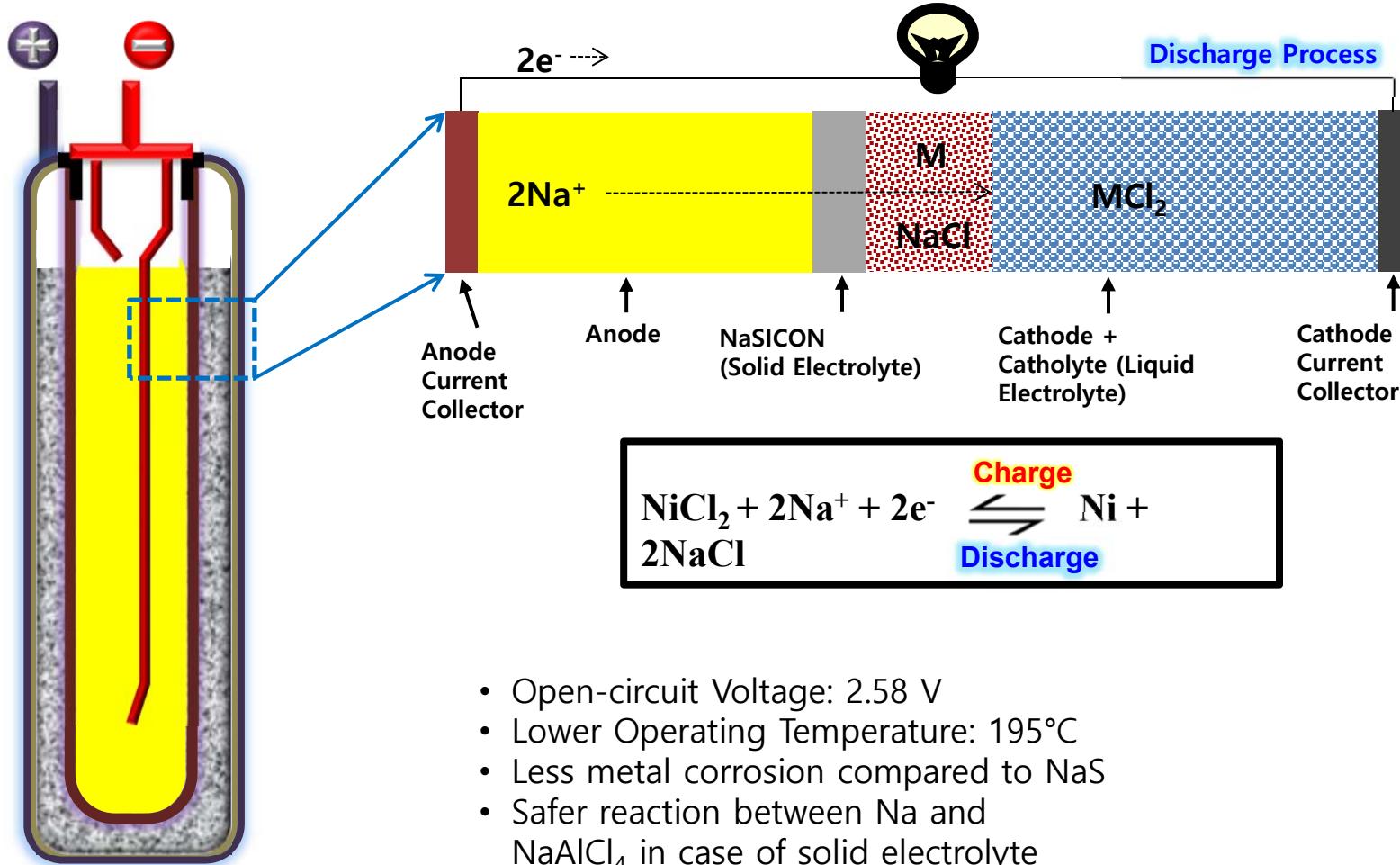


NaSICON (Na Super Ion CONductor): $\text{Na}_3\text{Zr}_2\text{PSi}_2\text{O}_{12}$



NaSICON is chemically/mechanically stable and has high conductivity ($>10^{-3} \text{ S/cm}$ @RT) at lower temperature. Opens the possibilities for a range of cell chemistries.

Na-NiCl₂ Batteries



- Open-circuit Voltage: 2.58 V
- Lower Operating Temperature: 195°C
- Less metal corrosion compared to NaS
- Safer reaction between Na and NaAlCl₄ in case of solid electrolyte fracture

Stable Na-NiCl₂ Cell Performance

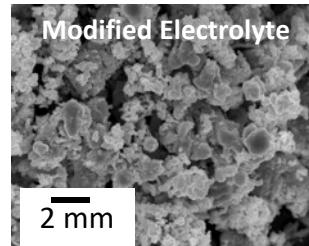
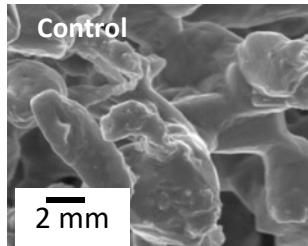


Nickel grain growth at high temperatures during cycling limits cycle life and charge-discharge kinetics for Na-NiCl₂ batteries.

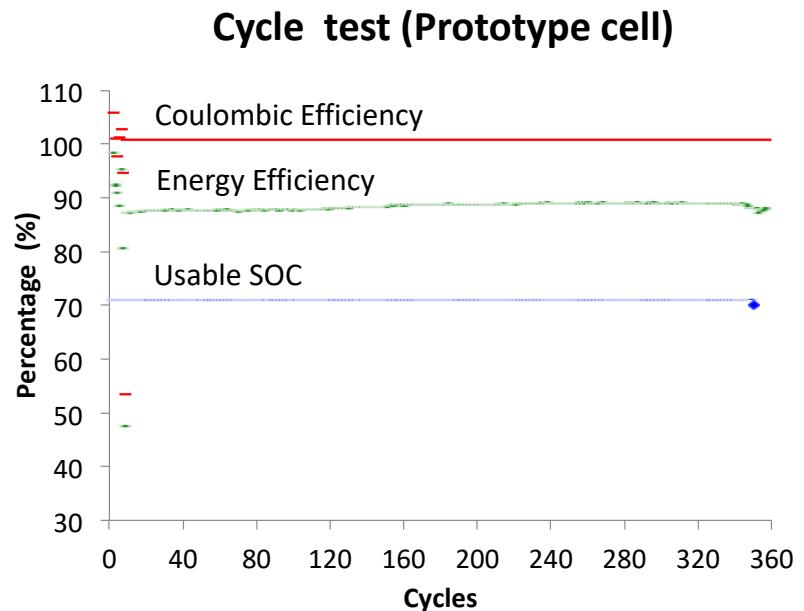
1 micrometer Ni Particle grows by more than 10X after multiple cycles

Using a NaSICON electrolyte allows us to lower temperature below 200°C and adding Ni metal growth inhibitors.

Together, these changes have allowed us to prevent Ni metal particle growth and preserve exceptional, stable battery performance over months (hundreds of cycles).

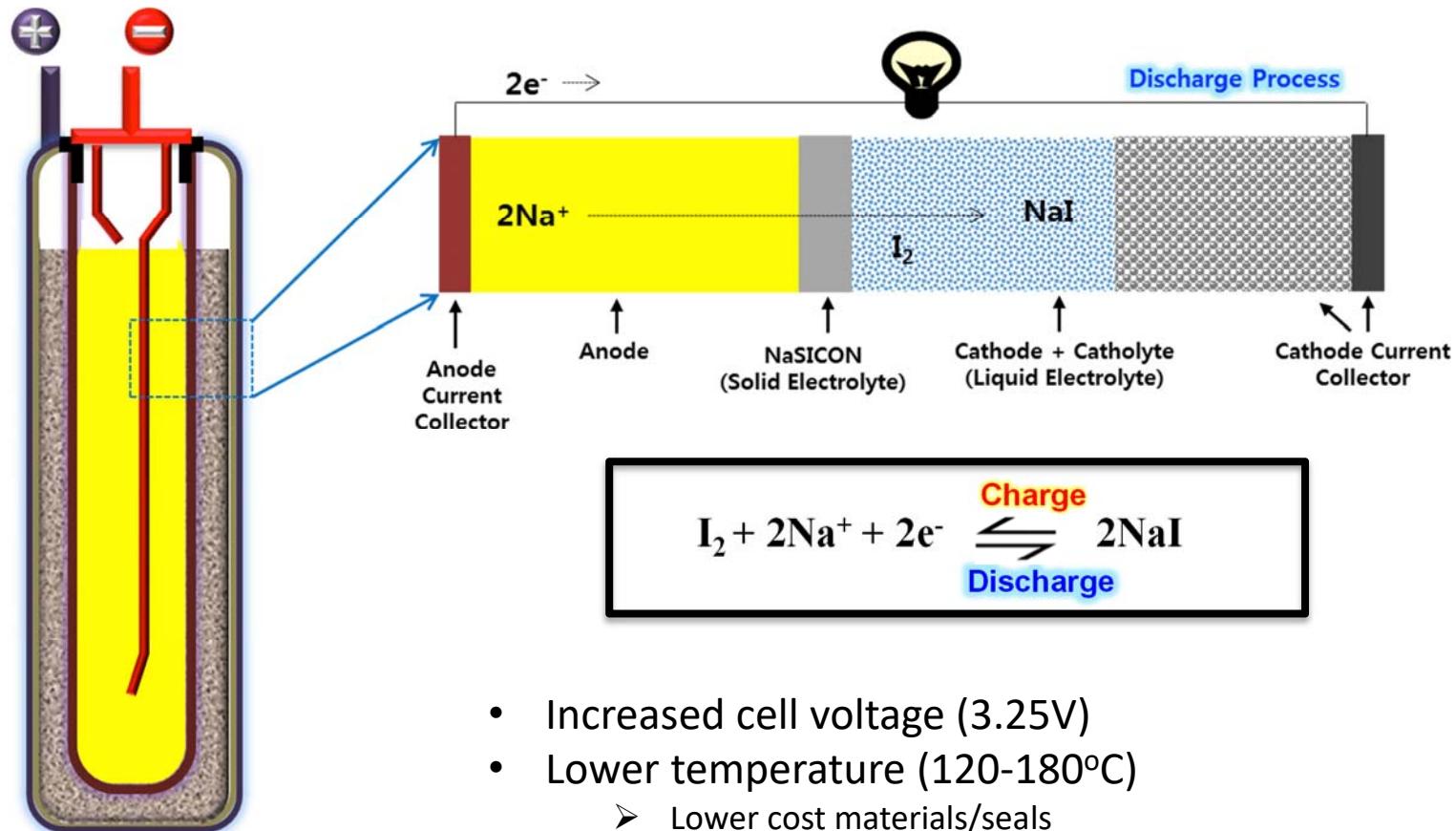


After electrochemical cycling, Ni-particle growth is suppressed using NaSICON and catholyte additives



13 Wh Na-NiCl₂ (NaX) Cell operation for 9+ months. 70% Depth of Discharge, >85% energy efficiency at 65 mA /cm² Charge/Discharge NaSICON current density

Na-I₂ Batteries



- Increased cell voltage (3.25V)
- Lower temperature (120-180°C)
 - Lower cost materials/seals
 - Lower operational costs
 - New cathode chemistries
- *Liquid cathode increases feasible cycle life*

Early Na-I₂ Prototypes Promising



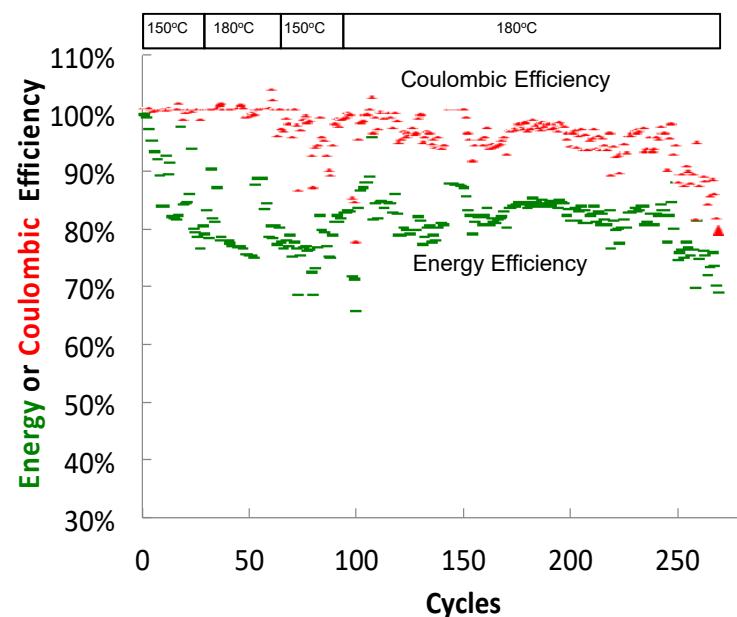
Lab Scale Test Conditions

- 8.7 Wh lab-scale cell
- Graphite felt + tungsten wire current collectors
- NaI-AlCl₃ based molten salt catholyte
- 1" NaSICON tube (15 cm²) glass sealed to α -alumina
- T = 150-180°C



Demonstrated long term performance

- More than 269 cycles @ 60% DOD Discharged 483Ah
- C/7 rate
- High energy efficiency of ~ 80%
- 28.5 mA/cm² current density

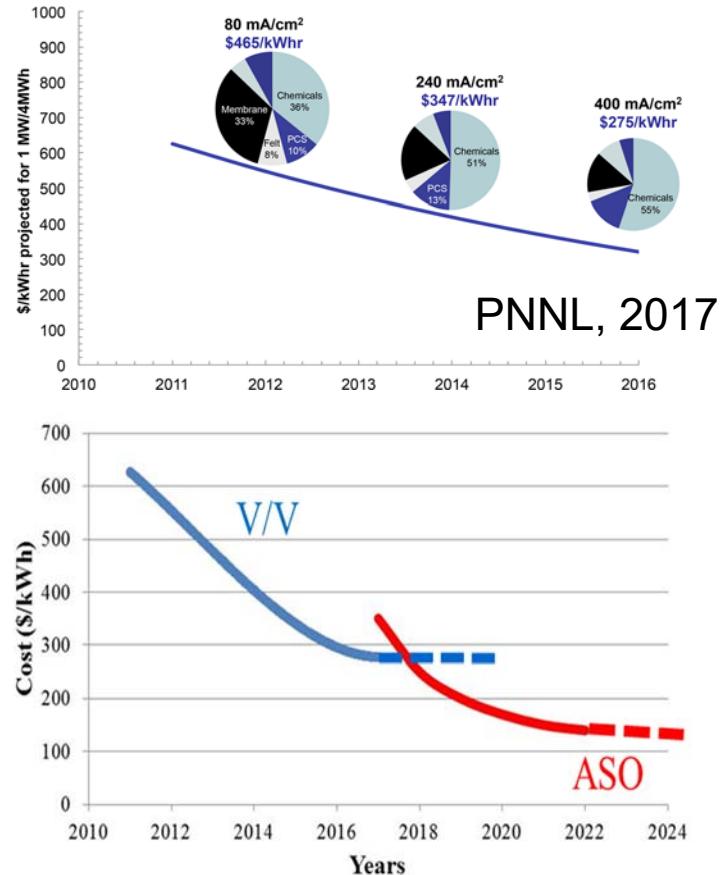


100 Wh
Prototype

Flow Batteries – Challenges/Opportunities



- Significant materials challenges, and opportunities for improvement
 - Electrolytes relatively expensive (esp. Vanadium), need lower cost electrolytes
 - Low energy densities, limited solubility of V in aqueous electrolytes, need new materials
 - Electrolyte is temperature sensitive
 - Membranes are relatively expensive
- Potential opportunities to reduce materials cost
 - New redox chemistries, new electrolytes
 - Lower cost of membranes (beyond Nafion)
 - Increased current density and lower cost stack design



Major Opportunities for Improvement
Power Plant (Stack): Membranes
Energy: Electrolytes

RFB stack sizes continue to grow



Containerized Systems



UniEnergy Technologies, 1MW/4MWh



32 KW Stack
Rongke Power/UET
120 mA/cm²
Meter size stack

Flow battery power plants



Sumitomo Electric, 15MW/60MWh



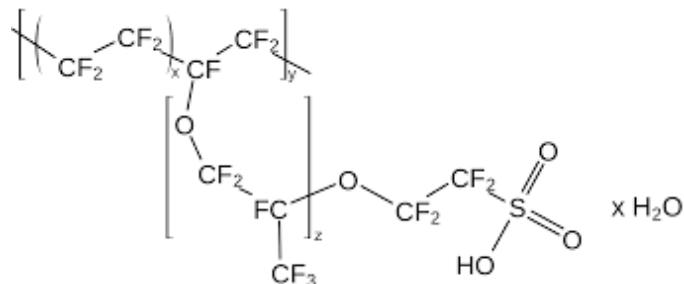
Stack room

Low cost membranes for flow batteries



- Membranes are approximately 1/3 to 1/10 of the cost of materials in flow batteries
- Need lower cost alternatives to Nafion (Vanadium systems)
- New membranes for next generation non-aqueous systems

Commercial Membranes



Perfluorosulfonic acid membranes (PFSA)

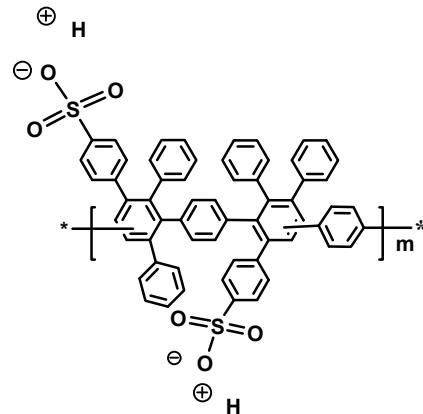
Company	Product type	Trade name
DuPont now Chemours	Perfluorosulfonic acid membrane	Nafion
Asahi Chemical	Perfluorosulfonic acid membrane	Aciplex
Asahi Glass	Perfluorosulfonic acid membrane	Flemion
3M	Perfluorosulfonic acid membrane	3M MEA
Fumatech	Perfluorosulfonic acid	F-series
Gore	Reinforced perfluorosulfonic acid membrane	GoreSelect
DSM Solutech	Reinforced perfluorosulfonic acid membrane	Solupor

- Various suppliers for perfluorosulfonic acid membranes (PFSA)s
- Primary application chlor-alkali industry
- Low production volumes <65 MT/year
- LPV results in high cost \$250-500/m²
- PFSA advocates claim cost of materials “could” reach \$20/m² however with no competitor, no real justification to lower costs.....

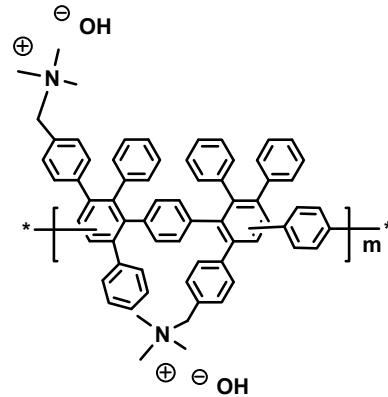
Lower cost polymeric membranes



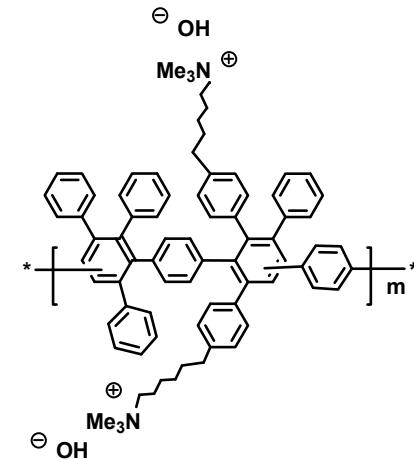
Developing and engineering poly(phenylene) membranes to compete against PFSA.



US Patent 7,301,002

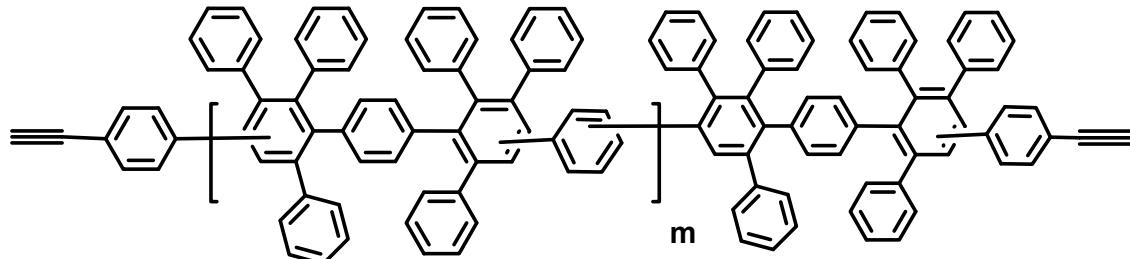


US Patent 7,888,397



US Patent 8,809,483

Materials based on chemistry that Dow commercialized as low k dielectric

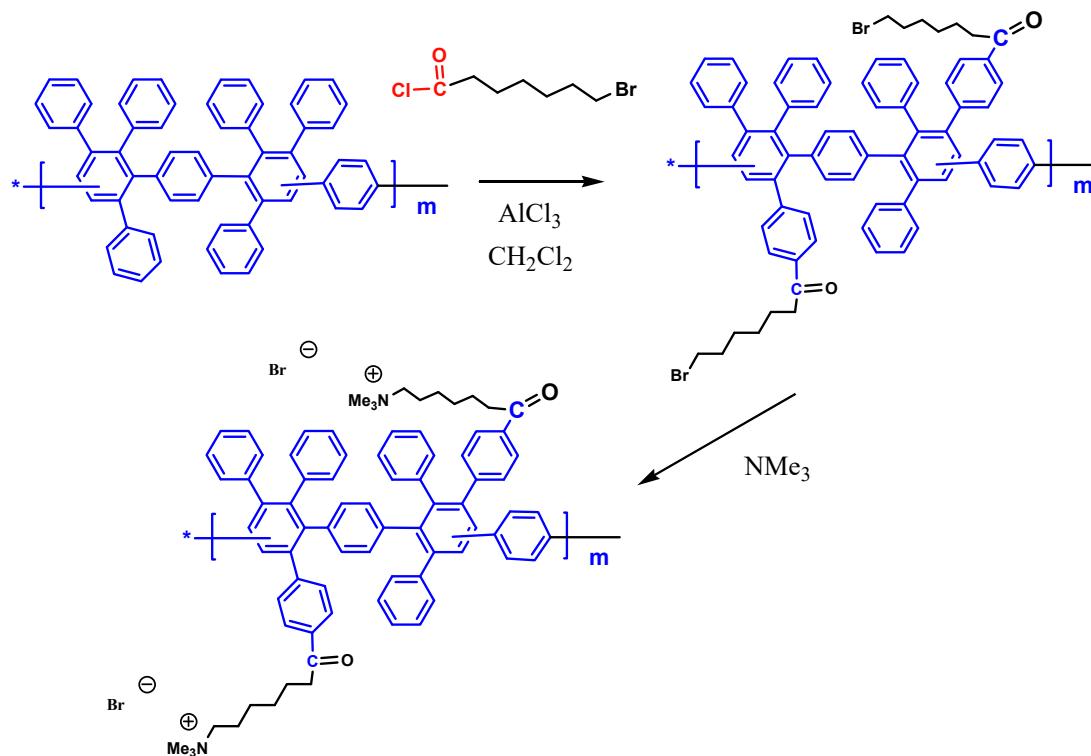


Low cost at low production volumes

Lower cost polymeric membranes



Membranes contain a polyphenylene backbone with pendant ionic groups; ionic content was varied qualitatively high, medium, and low.



Low Ion Content

Very brittle sample—no data

Medium Ion Content

Best Coulombic efficiency

Best electrochemical yield

Least crossover

High Ion Content

Good Coulombic efficiency

High crossover

The membranes are prepared by a proprietary process using Friedel Crafts acylation with a ketone to add pendant ammonium groups and simultaneously lightly crosslink the polymer backbone.

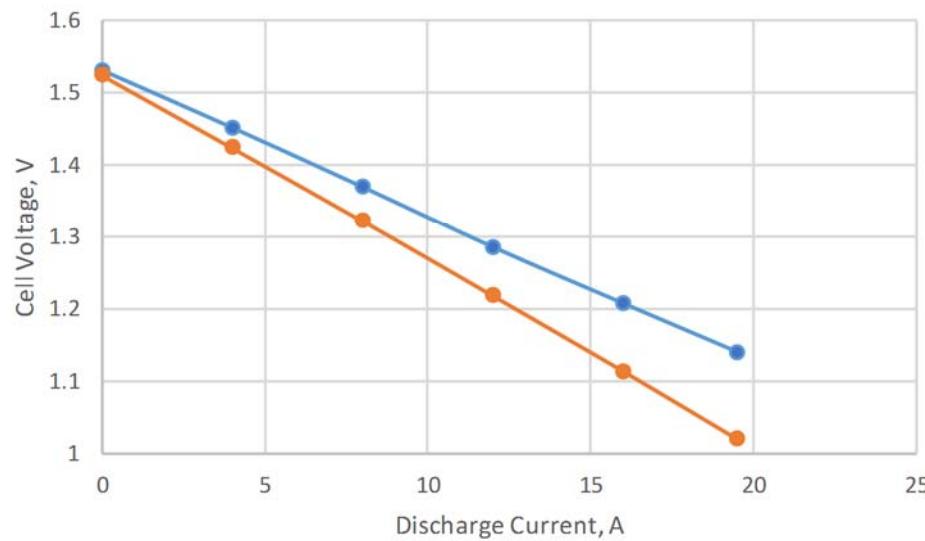
VRFB Membrane - Performance



Membrane	Efficiency, Round Trip	Efficiency, Coulombic	Efficiency, Voltaic
Sandia	82.2%	96.2%	85.4%
Fluorinated	72.3%	92.5%	78.2%

	Pmax, mW/cm ²	Specific Resistance, Ωcm ²
Sandia	1159	0.505
Fluorinated	946	0.610

Polarization Graphs for 25cm² cell at 45°C
Sandia and Fluorinated Separators



Cycling Performance Comparison in 25-cm² cell at 45°C
Sandia and Fluorinated Membranes
WattJoule Electrolyte (2M Vanadium)

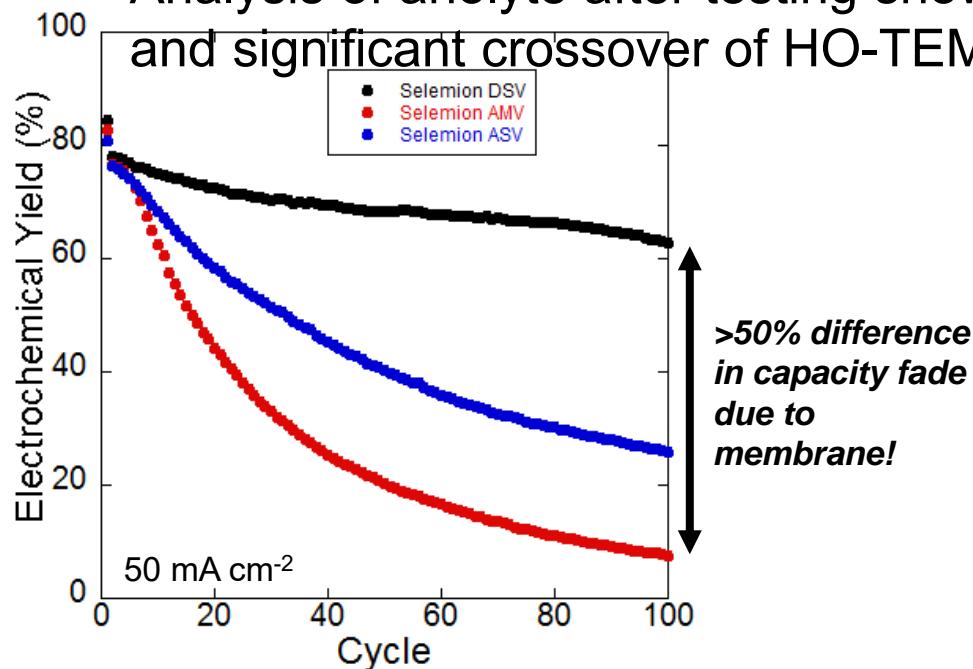
Data from WattJoule shows Gen5 has higher energy efficiency (+10%). High coulombic efficiency.



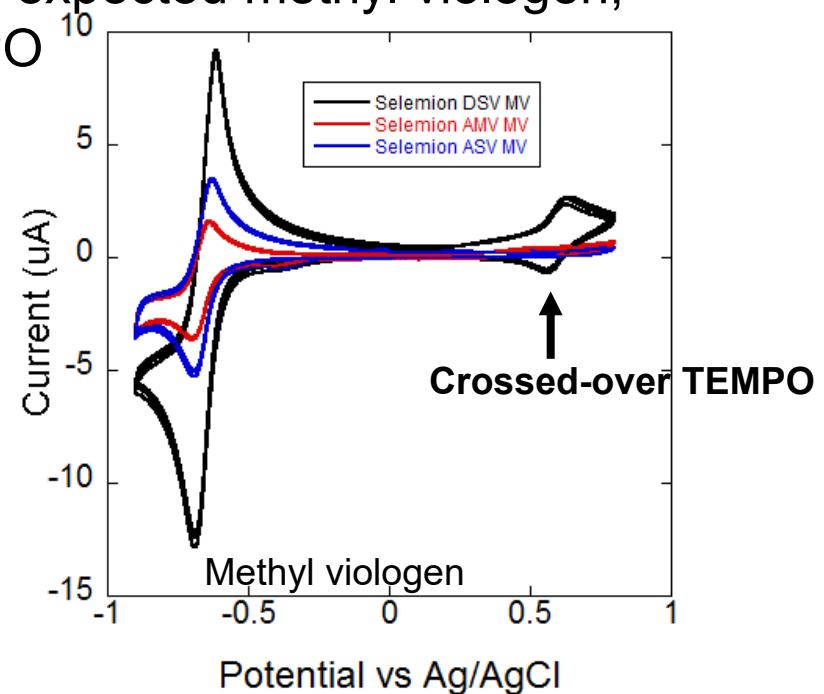
Beyond Vanadium – Aqueous Organic Electrolytes

Membranes significantly influence capacity loss in aqueous organic RFB

- Aqueous-organic RFB, 100 cycles at 50 mA cm^{-2}
 - Anolyte: 0.5 M methyl viologen in 1.5 M NaCl
 - Catholyte: 0.5 M HO-TEMPO in 1.5 M NaCl
- Analysis of anolyte after testing shows expected methyl viologen, and significant crossover of HO-TEMPO



Three anion exchange membranes from same manufacturer show markedly different capacity fade.



Cyclic voltammetry confirms crossover of HO-TEMPO into anolyte.

Beyond Vanadium – Non-Aqueous Electrolytes



- Increasing the energy density of electrolytes needs a radical approach for electrolyte synthesis. Examples include
 - non-aqueous electrolytes with multi-electron redox processes
- Most commercially available, ion Selective membranes are not designed for non-aqueous use.

Alkaline Zn-MnO₂ Batteries

- **Cost**
 - Traditional primary batteries, low cost (\$18-20/kWh primaries)
 - Low-cost materials and manufacturing
 - Established supply chain
- **Safety**
 - Aqueous chemistry
 - Non-flammable
 - EPA certified for landfill disposal
- **Reliability**
 - Long shelf-life
 - Limited thermal management required
- **Reversibility and Cycle life are the Challenges**

Zn-MnO₂ Batteries – Critical Issues



Cathode

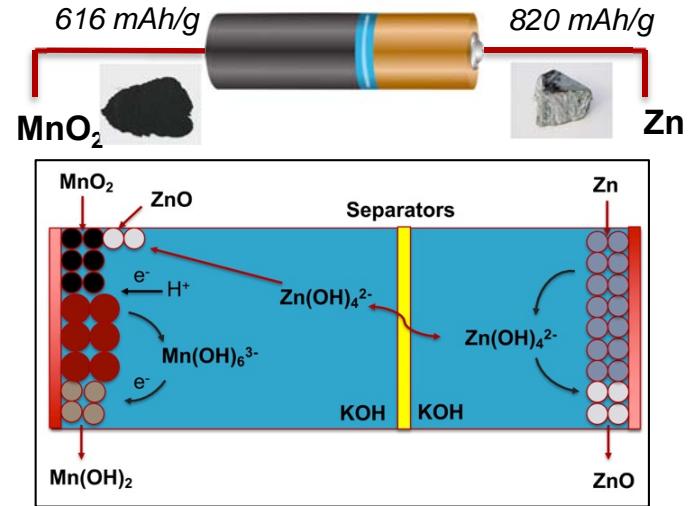
- Irreversibility of Cathode
- Susceptibility to Zinc poisoning

Separator

- Zincate crossover

Anode

- Shape Change
- Dendrite Growth
- Irreversible ZnO Passivation



Limiting Depth of Discharge has been shown to be a viable approach

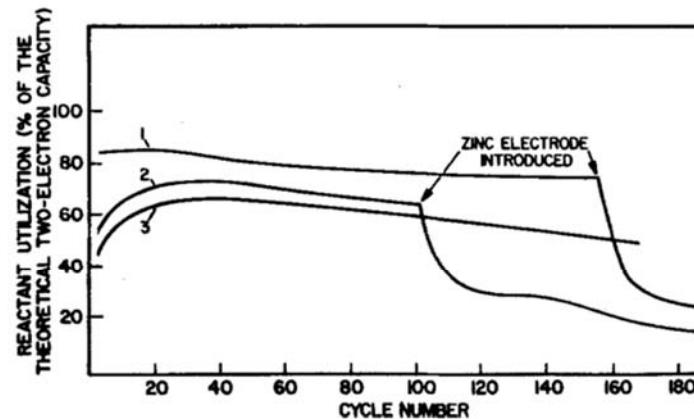
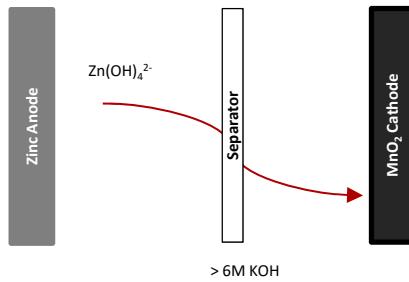
N. D. Ingale, J. W. Gallaway, M. Nyce, A. Couzis and S. Banerjee, J. Power Sources, 276, 7 (2015).

Full 2e⁻ can be stabilized but is still susceptible to zinc poisoning

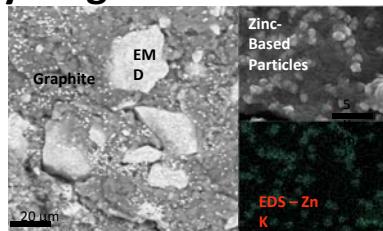
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Need for Selective Separators



MnO₂ Cathode After Cycling



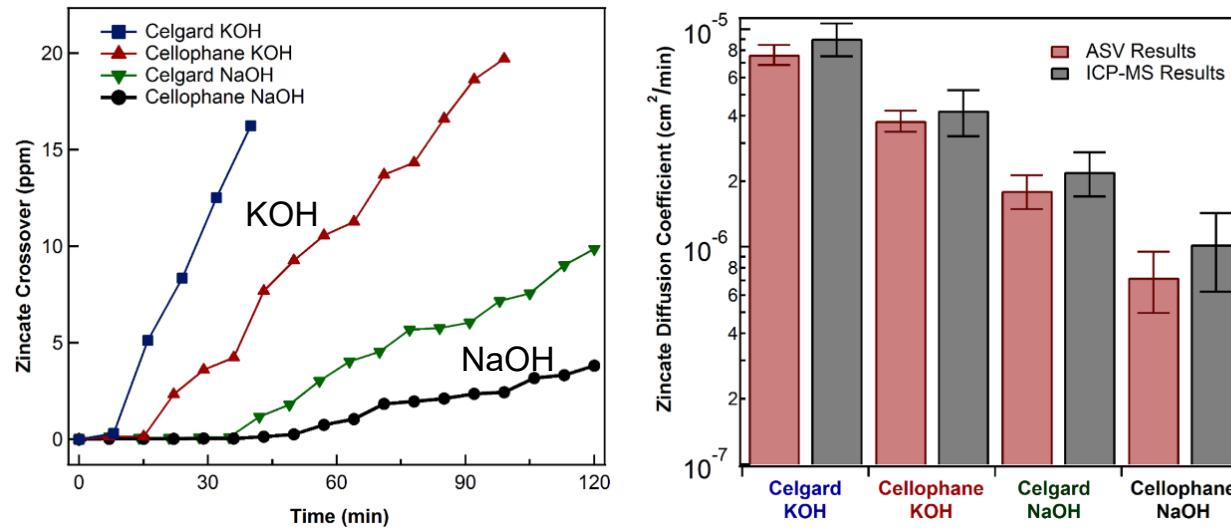
Zinc-Based Particles
-Insulating
-Combine with cathode material to form irreversible compounds

- Research by Ford in the 1980s showed that the MnO₂ cathode could be stabilized at low loadings ***in the absence of Zinc***
- New stabilized 2e- cathodes are 100% reversible ***in the absence of Zinc***

Imperative need for zincate blocking separators

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Rapid screening of separators



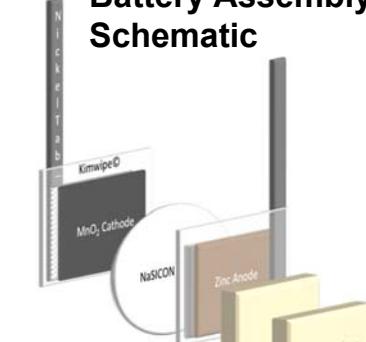
- Compares favorably vs. ICP and Complexometric methods
- Faster experiment times, very reproducible, low limit of detection
- First demonstration of ASV measurement of Zinc in alkaline
- Will allow for rapid screening of newly developed membranes

J. Duay *et al.* "Stripping Voltammetry for the Real Time Determination of Zinc Membrane Diffusion Coefficients in High pH: Towards Rapid Screening of Alkaline Battery Separators" *Electroanalysis* 2017, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1002/elan.201700337>.

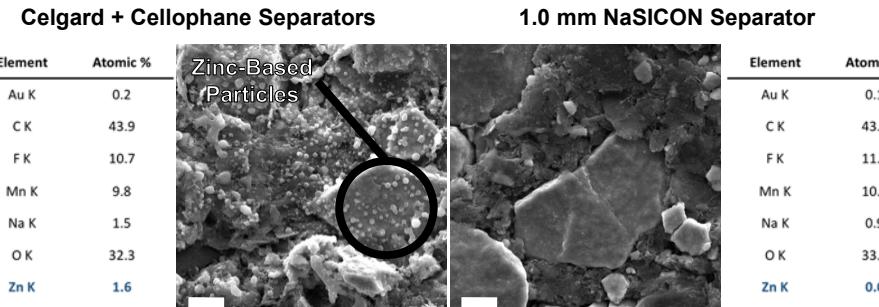
Initial Studies on Stopping Zincates



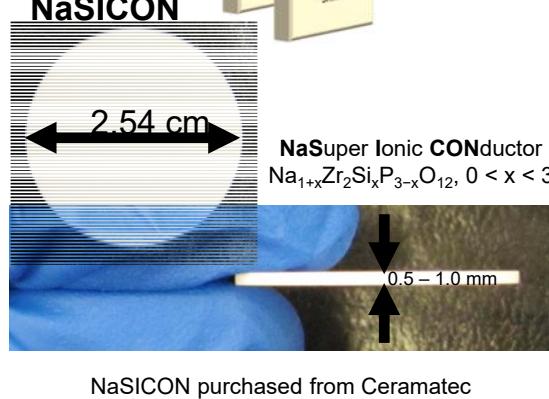
Battery Assembly Schematic



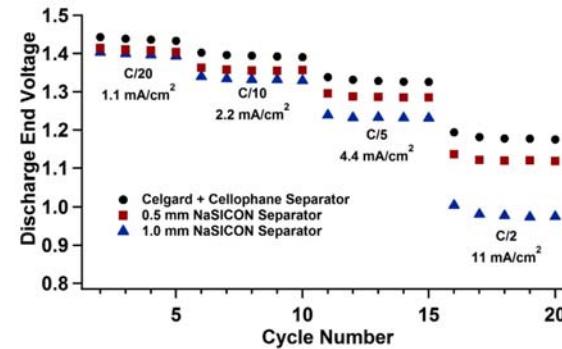
SEM/EDS analysis after cycling



NaSICON



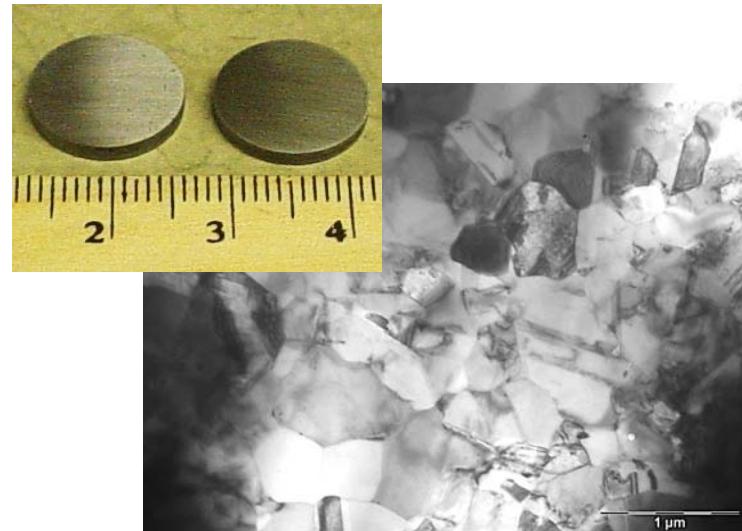
Ceramic Separators in NaOH electrolyte are viable at low rates



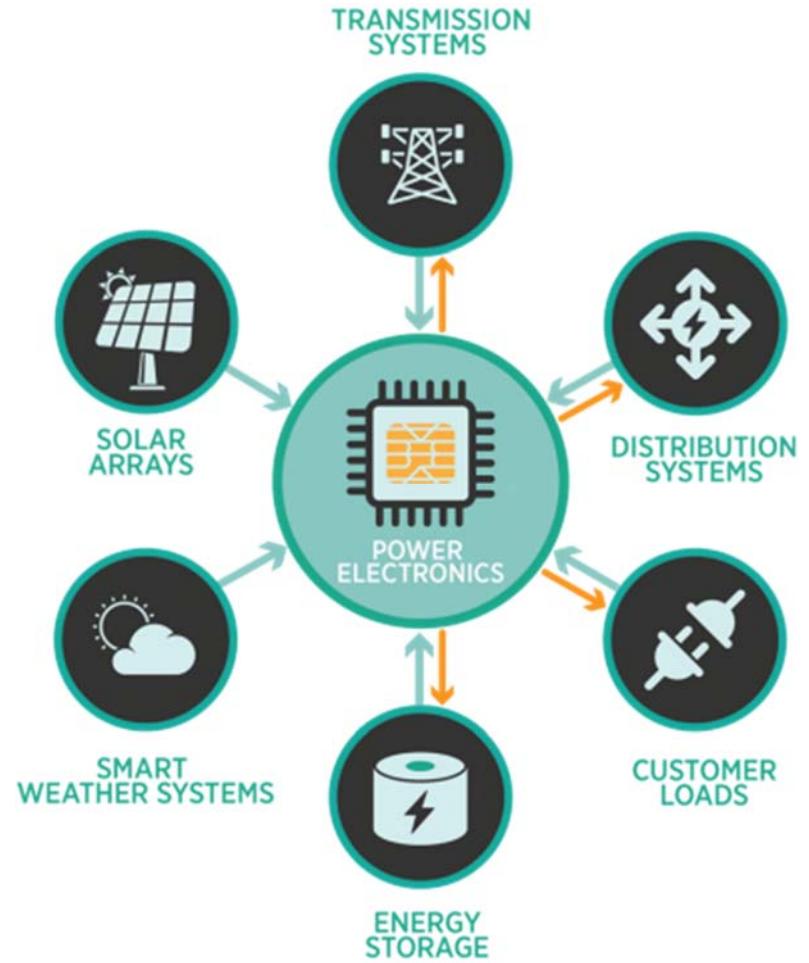
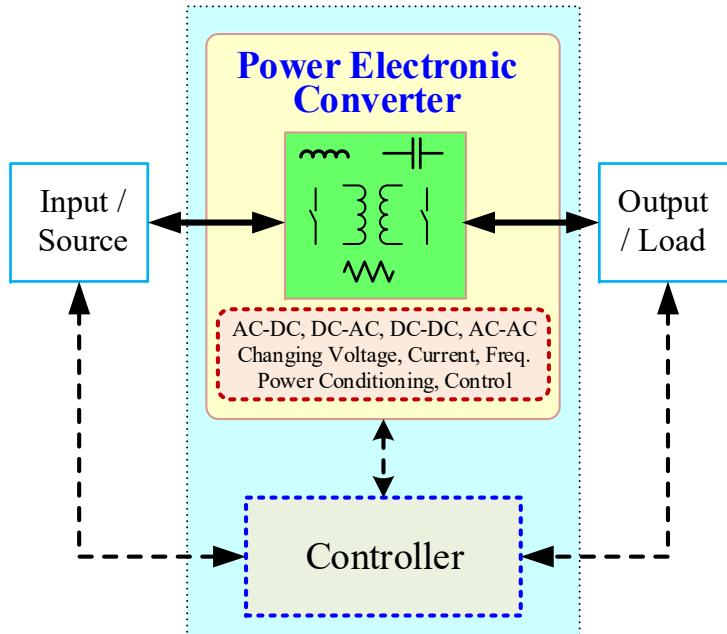
Power Electronics and Power Conversion

Key Projects

- High-temperature iron-nitride transformer for high frequency converters
- Development of advanced gate oxide for wide band gap devices
- High energy dielectrics for scalable capacitors
- SiC and GaN-based power inverter with GeneSiC Semiconductor, Creare, & Innocit
- Monolithic SiC-based semiconductor switch with GeneSiC Semiconductor



Power Electronics for Energy Storage



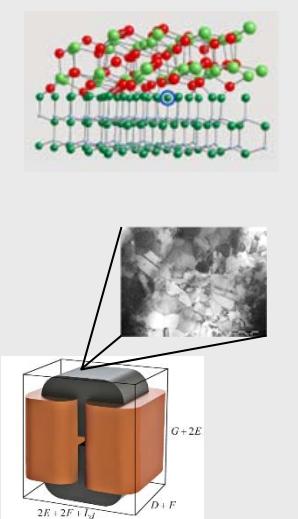
- Power Electronics is an enabling technology;
- It synthesizes, processes, converts, conditions and controls the power flow;

Source: US Department of Energy

Power Electronics



Materials R&D



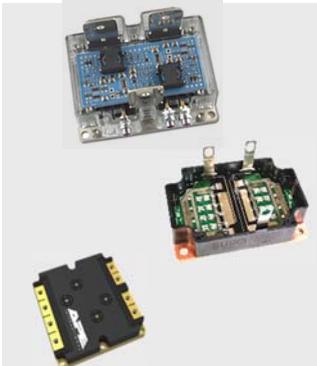
- Gate Oxide R&D
- Advanced Magnetics

Devices



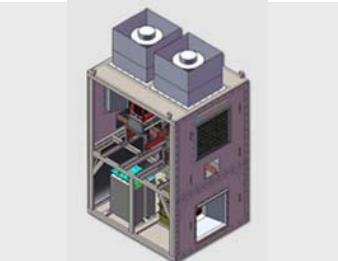
- ETO
- SiC Thyristors
- Monolithically integrated SiC transistors
- WBG Characterization & Reliability
- High energy dielectric capacitors

Power Modules



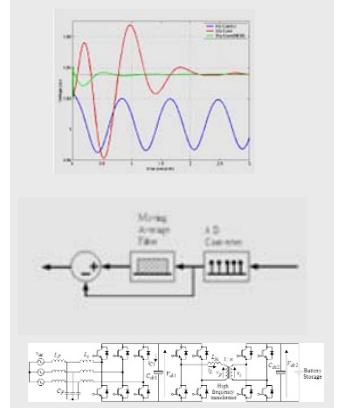
- SiC High Temp/density Power Module
- HV SiC JFET Module
- HV, HT Reworkable SiC half-bridge modules

Power Conversion System



- Dstatcom plus energy storage for wind energy
- Optically isolated MW Inverter
- High density inverter with integrated thermal management
- High temp power inverter

Applications

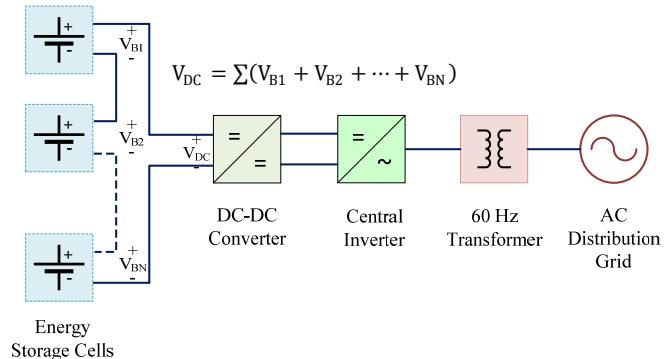


- FACTS and Energy Storage
- Power smoothing and control for renewables
- Dual active bridge for advanced energy storage system designs

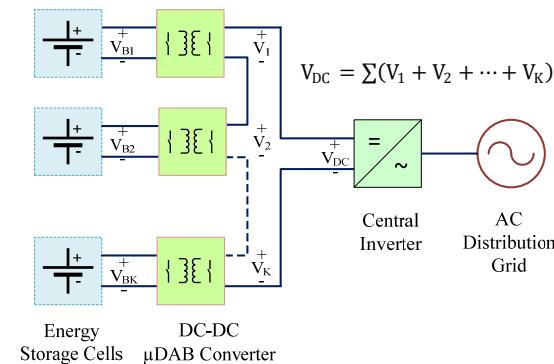
μDAB for Cell level Control



- Novel GaN-based micro DAB (μDAB) DC-DC converters for cell-level monitoring and to achieve better efficiency.
 - Eliminates the need of a bulky 60Hz transformer at the inverter-grid interface, thus reduces size and increases overall power density.
- The overall system will enable real-time monitoring and management for safer and more reliable operation by expending and predicting cycle life, as well as understand the earliest indications of failure.



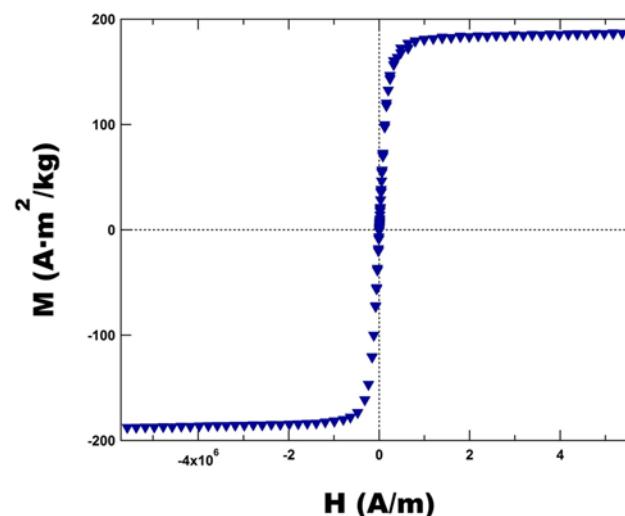
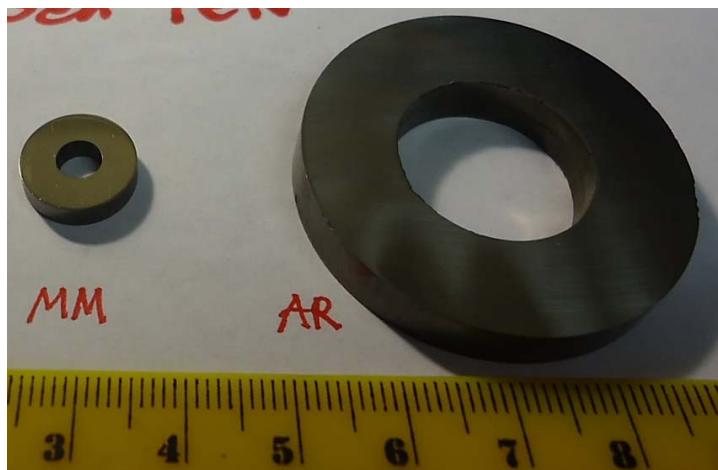
State-of-the-art Power Electronics topology in BSS



Cell-level Power Electronics topology in BSS

Soft Magnetics

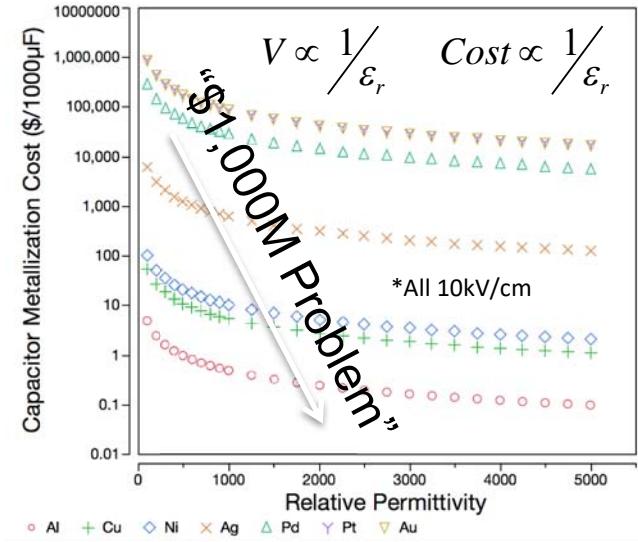
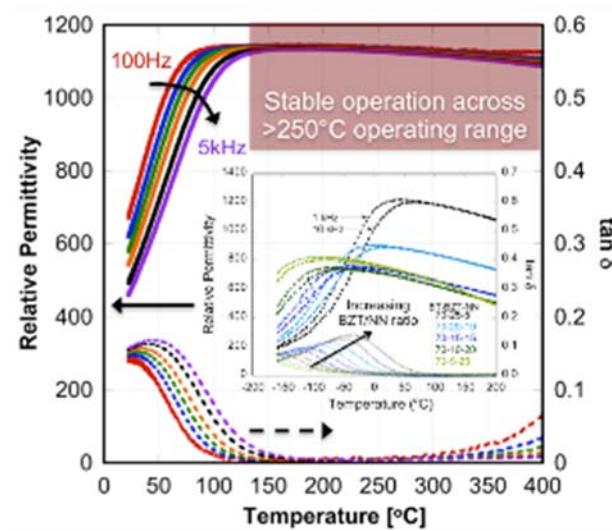
- Current state of the art: soft ferrites (low power density), nanocrystalline and amorphous materials (very costly, power density can still be improved)
- Current TRL: 3 (γ' -Fe₄N prototype inductor/transformer cores fabricated)
- Success enables: high frequency (HF) operation, enhanced power density, and sustained performance at elevated temperatures
- Collaborators: University of California, Irvine
- U.S. Patent applications: 15/002,220, 14/531,075



High Voltage Capacitors

- **Current state of the art:** High temperature *OR* high energy density capacitors are available for <1000hr lifetimes at *high cost*
- **Current TRL:** 2-3, Relevant compositions were fabricated into multilayer devices that have measurable high temperature stability under relevant DC bias with maintained high permittivity
- **Success enables:** Movement away from high capacity electrolytic DC bus (slow switch speeds at low temperatures) toward base metal integrated high temperature stable capacitors

SNL MLCC



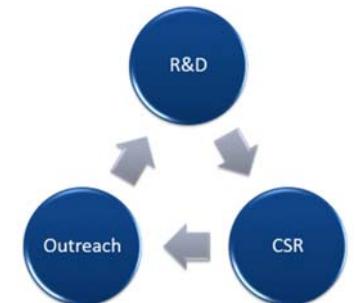
Energy Storage Safety

Key Projects

- Thermal modeling, cell reliability
- Safety and failure propagation
- Suppressants and
- Reliability of commercial cells and packs
- Battery Abuse Testing
- Develop resources for industry
- ESS Safety Strategy Roadmap



February 2017 Safety Forum
Santa Fe, NM



Energy Storage Safety Working
Group (ESSWG)



Energy Storage Test Pad (ESTP)



Cell Lab



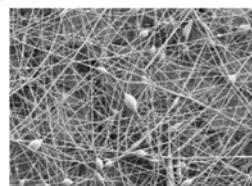
Materials R&D for ES Safety



- Major research areas
 - Materials origin of safety and reliability
 - Device level failures
 - Cascading failures
- Advanced simulation and modeling of energy storage systems
 - Further
 - Software's role as a critical safety system
 - Better control of cell behavior through power electronics



R&D for Making Systems Safe and Reliable



Materials R&D to date:

- Non-flammable electrolytes
- Electrolyte salts
- Coated active materials
- Thermally stable materials

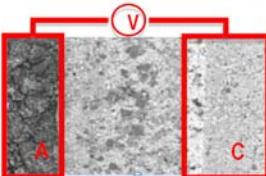
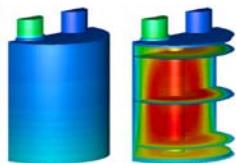
Materials R&D needs:

- Viable flow batteries
- Aqueous electrolyte batteries
- High specific heat suppressants
- Vent gas composition



Testing

- Electrical, thermal, mechanical abuse testing
- Failure propagation testing on batteries/systems
- Suppressants and delivery with systems and environments
- Large scale thermal and fire testing (TTC)



Simulations and Modeling

- Multi-scale models for understanding thermal runaway
- Validating failure propagation models
- Fire Dynamic Simulations (FDS) to predict the size, scope, and consequences of battery fires

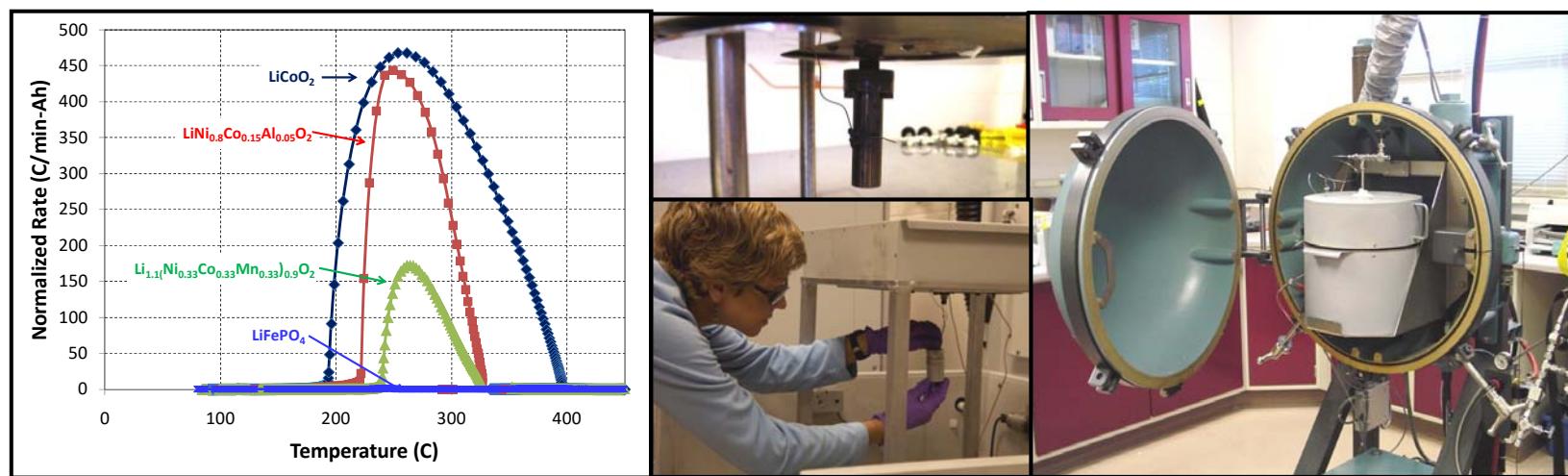


Procedures, Policy, and Regulation

- UL 1973-13 Batteries for Use in Stationary Applications
- ANSI/UL 9540-P (ESS Safety)
- UL 1974 (Repurposing)
- IEEE 1635-12 (Ventilation and thermal management)

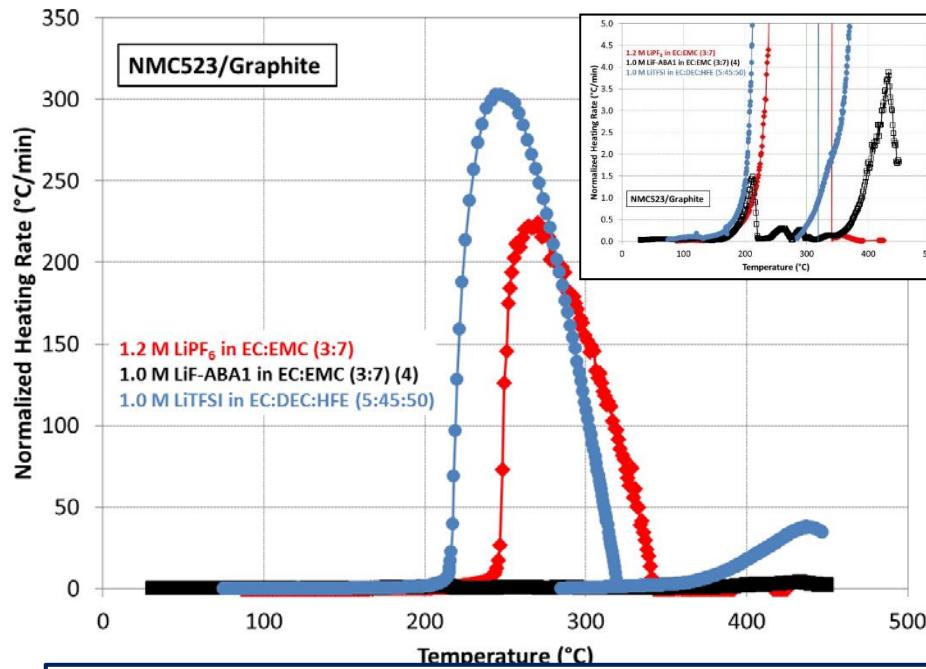
Battery Calorimetry Center

- One of the world's largest dedicated battery calorimetry facilities
- Six accelerating rate calorimeters (ARCs) for materials and cell-level measurements
 - Gas volume measurements for decomposition gas products
 - Quantitative gas analysis capabilities from ARC samples
 - Measurements on 1 to 150 Ah cells
- Two isothermal battery calorimeters
- Microcalorimetry for materials analysis
- Modulated DSC



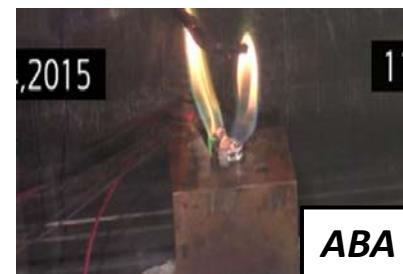
Abuse Tolerance of Li-ion Cells

Accelerating Rate Calorimetry (ARC)



- *Significant reduction in the thermal runaway free energy of NMC cells with LiF/ABA electrolytes*
- *HFE electrolytes are measured to be nonflammable in a cell vent failure scenario*

Cell Vent Flammability Measurements



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Thermal Runaway and Suppression



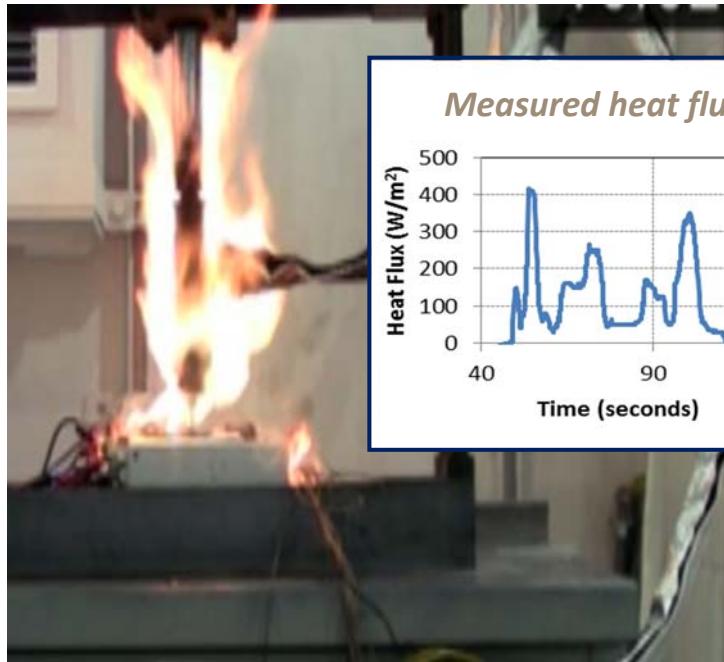
- Couple material instability data with cell failure to understand electrode decomposition mechanisms.
- Estimate vent gas composition per decomposition mechanism.
- Understand how cell chemistry affects cell failure.
- Feed this information into models of cell failure and propagation.

- Use modeling results to plan suppression testing.
- Build a gas/flame model system representing thermal runaway to test suppressants more reliably.

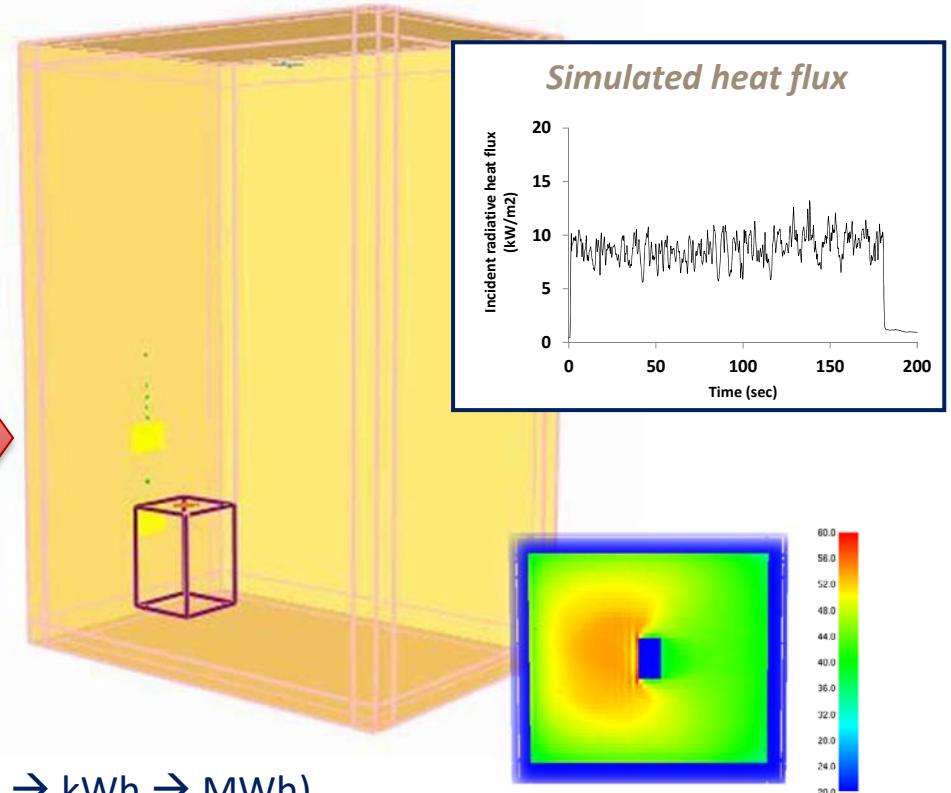
Quantifying Battery Fires



Experimental Data from Battery Fires



Fire Dynamic Simulations (FDS) of Battery Fires



- Scale up experiments to validate FDS models ($\text{Wh} \rightarrow \text{kWh} \rightarrow \text{MWh}$)
- Feedback to **design** storage systems
- Inform **fire suppression** system design
- Provide to regulatory agencies (NFPA, IEEE, UL etc.), utility companies, etc.

Safety through Codes and Standards



- Many ESS safety related issues are identical or similar to those associated with other technologies
- Some safety issues are unique to energy storage in general and others only to a particular energy storage technology
- Current codes and standards provide a basis for documenting and validating system safety
 - prescriptively
 - through alternative methods and materials criteria
- Codes and standards are being updated and new ones developed to address gaps between ESS technology/applications and criteria needed to foster initial and ongoing safety

Energy Storage System Analysis Laboratory



- Capabilities include cell assembly (multiple chemistries), cell prototyping, 1000 channels of cycle life testing
- Grid connected 1MW test pad for storage system validation

Cell, Battery and Module Testing

- 14 channels from 36 V, 25 A to 72 V, 1000 A for battery to module-scale tests
- Over 125 channels; 0 V to 10 V, 3 A to 100+ A for cell tests



72 V 1000 A Bitrode (2 Channels)

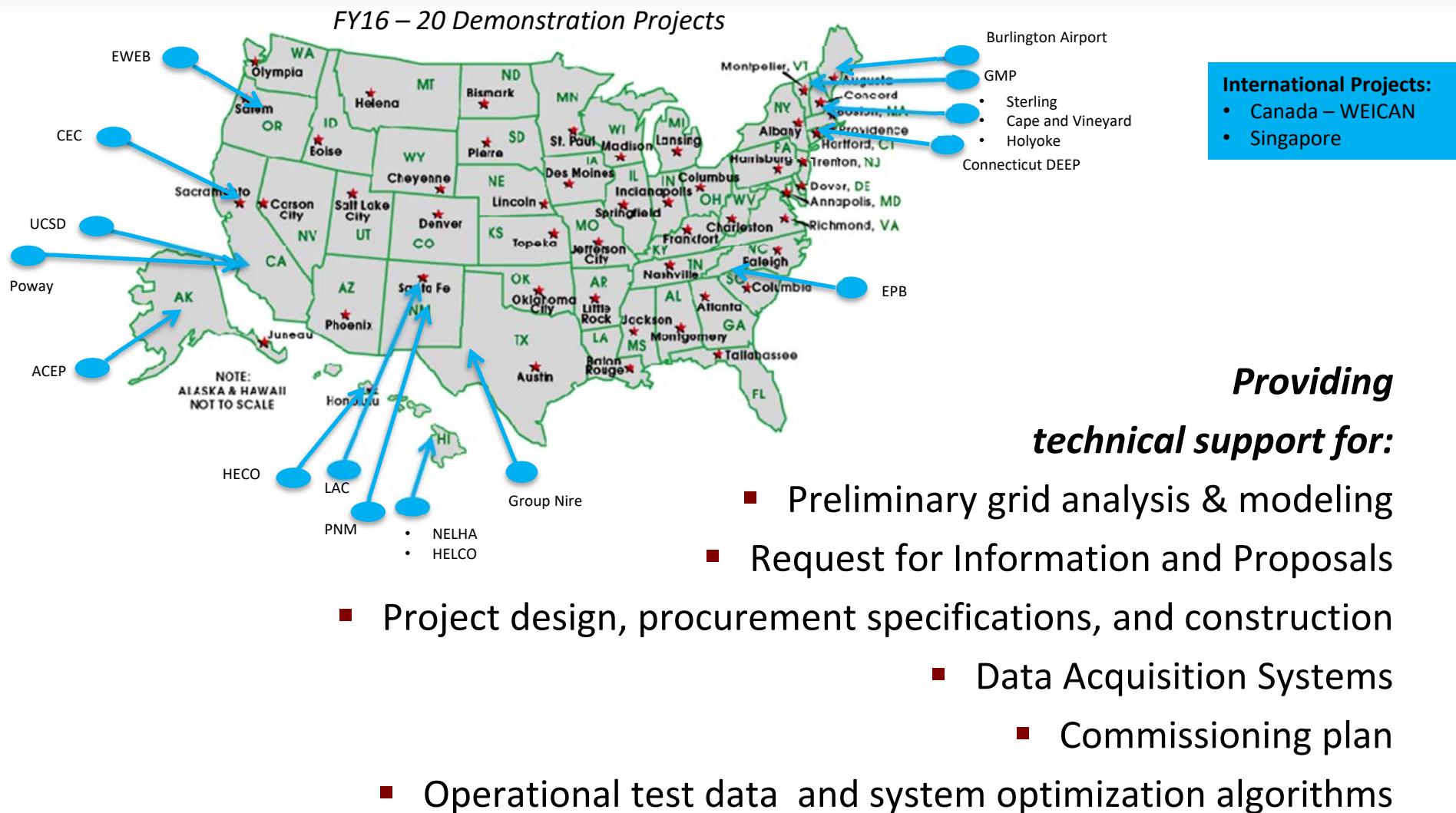


Energy Storage Test Pad (ESTP)

System Testing

- Up to 1 MW, 480 VAC, 3 phase
- 1 MW/1 MVAR load bank

Demonstrations



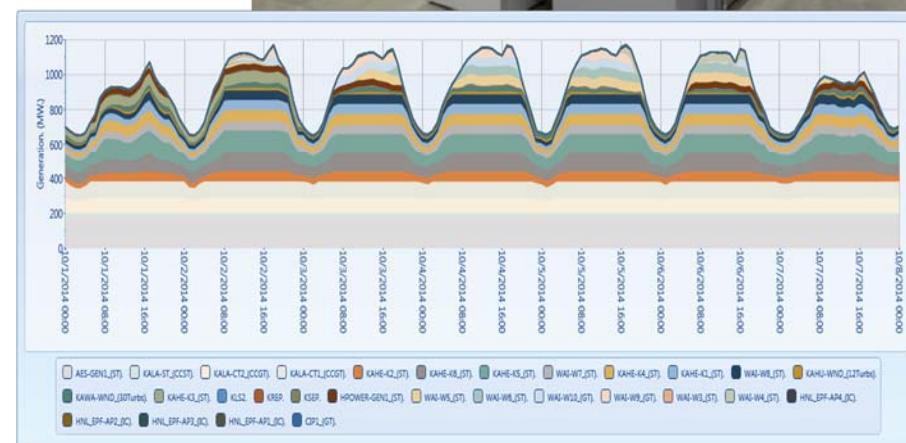
Energy Storage Analytics

- Estimating the value of energy storage
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 - Wide area damping control
 - Maximizing revenue
- Public policy: identifying and mitigating barriers
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- Model development (e.g. for dynamic simulation)



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Key Takeaways



- Engineering energy storage systems that are lighter, with high energy and high power capacities
- Universal tradeoff between energy and power due to a combination of electrical, ionic, structural and chemical effects.
 - How to improve energy capacity without sacrificing safety and life.
 - How do we optimize power and energy at multiple length scales?
 - How do we enable fast ion and electron transport without sacrificing energy density, while maintaining long life and safety?
 - How do we design materials to realize high energy and power simultaneously?
 - How to achieve high reversibility, with low capacity loss, and low over-potentials

Resources



- DOE Energy Storage Website (www.sandia.gov/ess/)
- DOE Global Energy Storage Database (www.energystorageexchange.org)
- Energy Storage Association (www.energystorage.org)
- 2015 DOE/EPRI Electricity Storage Handbook in Collaboration with NRECA



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Batteries and Energy Storage - Drivers



- Enabling electrification of transportation
 - Need energy storage systems with higher energy and power densities
 - Improvements in costs, cycle life, safety and reliability
 - Lighter and faster recharge times
- Transformation of the electricity infrastructure
 - Aging infrastructure, energy storage can improve grid reliability and resiliency
 - Growth of renewables and distributed energy needs energy storage
 - Large T&D infrastructure deferrals
 - Need lower costs, systems scalable from kWh to 100's of MWh
 - Long cycle life and low operating costs

