

# Zn-based Batteries

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## Session OVERVIEW – Zn-based Batteries



*OE supports RESEARCH&DEVELOPMENT needs of battery chemistries that could impact  
Grid Storage: Reliable and resilient electricity system*

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| 03:35 - 03:55 PM | Session Summary / Zinc-Based Batteries                                                                      | Timothy Lambert, SNL                     | Conversion Cathode Chemistry    |
| 03:55 - 04:10 PM | From Concept Through Product to Market: Rechargeable Zinc Manganese Dioxide Batteries                       | Sanjoy Banerjee, CCNY                    |                                 |
| 04:10 - 04:25 PM | Engineering an Aqueous Energy Dense Manganese Dioxide   Zinc Battery to Challenge Lithium - Ion's Dominance | Yadav Gautam, UEP                        | Intercalation Cathode Chemistry |
| 04:25 - 04:40 PM | Operando Studies to Enumerate the Electrochemical Phase Transformations of $\text{MnO}_2$                   | Joshua Gallaway, Northeastern University |                                 |
| 04:40 - 04:55 PM | Advanced Aqueous Zn Batteries                                                                               | Xiaolin Li, PNNL                         |                                 |
| 04:55 - 05:10 PM | Mechanistic Probes of Zinc Anode Aqueous Electrolyte Batteries                                              | Esther Takeuchi, Stony Brook University  |                                 |

## PROJECT OVERVIEW – Zn Batteries (Re: Cost, Safety & Reliability)



*Alkaline zinc batteries are one of the core DOE/OE technologies for grid storage and feature energy-dense, safe, abundant, low-cost materials*

### Alkaline-Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> Batteries Today



Wikipedia, user Aney, 2005

- Well-established supply chain for consumer products
- >10B units produced, \$7.5B global market (2019)
- Traditional primary alkaline batteries ~ < \$20/kWh
- Aqueous, long shelf life, EPA certified for disposal
- High achievable energy density
  - Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> ~ 400 Wh/L
  - Zn/Ni ~ 300 Wh/L
  - Zn/Air ~ 1400 Wh/L

Zn



- 13M tons (2019)
- ~ \$1.25/lb (2019)

γ-MnO<sub>2</sub>



- 19M tons Mn ores (2019)
- < \$2/lb (2012)

KOH



USGS Mineral Commodity summaries, 2020

- Potash ~ 61M tons (2019)
- ~\$400/ton (2020)
- Aqueous, non-flammable

*Reversibility and Cycle life are the Challenges/Opportunities*

# PROJECT TEAM – Sandia National Laboratories and Collaborators



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Timothy Lambert

## *Alkaline Batteries for Grid Storage*

Stephen Budy, Igor Kolesnichenko, Matthew Lim, Noah Schorr,  
David Arnot, Rachel Habing, Logan Ricketts, Elijah Ruiz,  
Nelson Bell



The City  
University  
of  
New York

**Energy Institute**



Prof. Sanjoy Banerjee

## *Stable Zinc Anodes for High-Energy-Density Rechargeable Aqueous Batteries*

Damon Turney, Michael D'Ambrose, Jungsang Cho, Brendan Hawkins, Jinchao Huang, Snehal Kolhekar, Michael Nyce, Xia Wei, Prof. Rob Messinger



Prof. Igor Vasiliev

## *Theoretical Studies of the Electrochemical Behavior of Solid-State Cathode Materials in Rechargeable Alkaline Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> and Zn/Cu<sub>2</sub>S Batteries*

Birendra A. Magar, Nirajan Paudel



Prof. Joshua Gallaway

## *Understanding Phase Change Processes of Energy Storage Materials*

Andrea Bruck, Matthew Kim



Prof. Esther Takeuchi

## *Advanced Materials for Next Generation Batteries*

Amy Marschilok, Ken Takeuchi



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Gabe Cowles



Gautam Yadav

*Advanced Manufacturing Research (FY19/20 Funding)*  
*Advanced Manufacturing Research - Second electron*  
*Research Extension (FY21 Funding)*

Gabe Cowles, Gautam Yadav, Jinchao Huang, Aditya Upreti, Meir Weiner, Valerio DeAngelis, Sanjoy Banerjee



Amalie Frischknecht

*Membrane Modeling*

*In FY21 also .....*



Prof. Yang-Tse (YT) Cheng

*Collaborative research to advance*  
*solid state ion conductors for*  
*emerging batteries*

Ryan Hill, Andrew Meyer, w/Erik Spoerke (SNL)

*In FY21 also .....*



Cheng Zhu

*Three-*  
*dimensional*  
*printing of*  
*architected*  
*Zinc*  
*electrodes*  
*for*  
*rechargeable*  
*Zn-MnO<sub>2</sub>*  
*batteries*

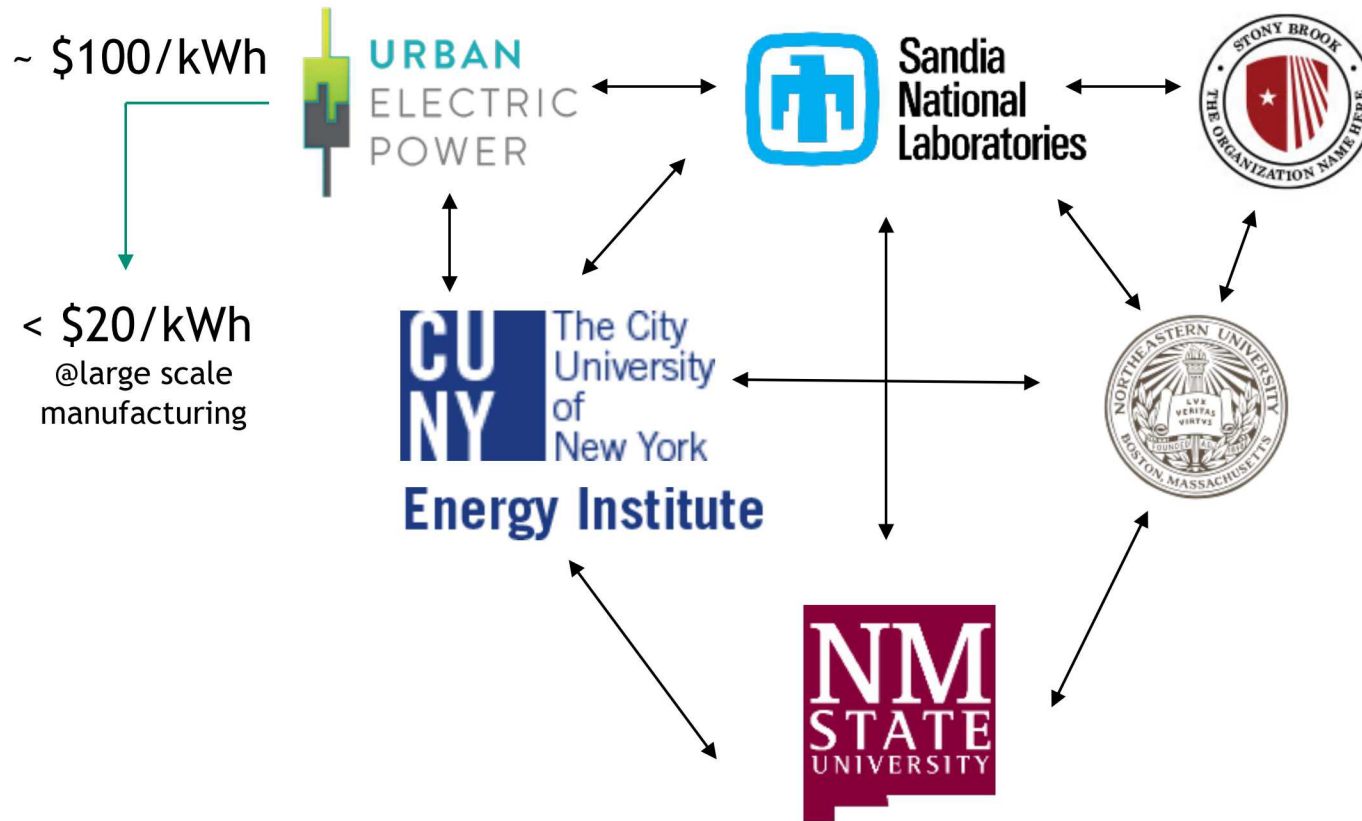
Marcus Worsley

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*OE supports RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT, MANUFACTURING and DEMONSTRATION of Potentially Wide Impact, Low Cost Energy Storage Technologies*

## Collaborative Efforts on Zn-batteries



## 2020 OE Peer Review Team Presentations

S. Banerjee (CUNY-EI/UEP)

*From Concept Through Product  
to Market: Rechargeable Zinc  
Manganese Dioxide Batteries*

G. Yadav (UEP)

*Engineering an Aqueous Energy  
Dense Manganese Dioxide | Zinc  
Battery to Challenge Lithium-  
Ion's Dominance*

J. Gallaway (NEU)

*Operando Studies to Enumerate  
the Electrochemical Phase  
Transformations of MnO<sub>2</sub>*

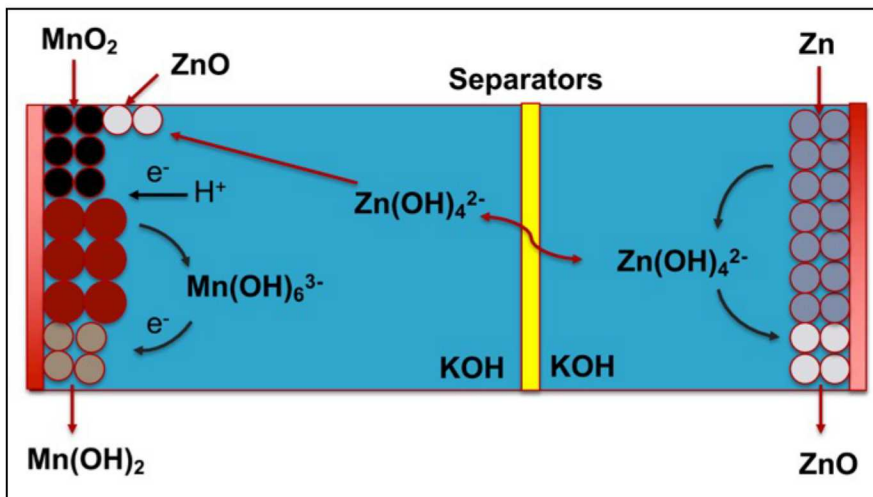
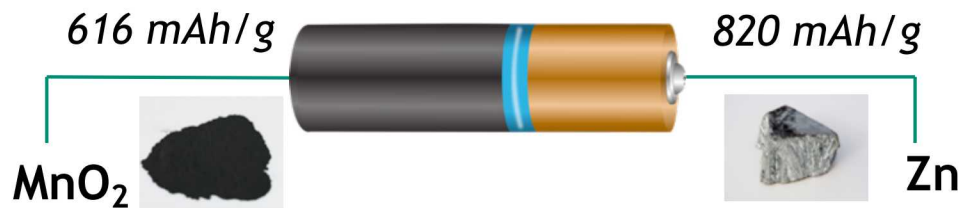
E. Takeuchi (SBU)

*Mechanistic Probes of Zinc Anode  
Aqueous Electrolyte Batteries*

I. Vasiliev (NMSU), D. Turney (CUNY-EI), A. Frischknecht (SNL)

*Poster Presentations*

# 7 PROJECT OVERVIEW

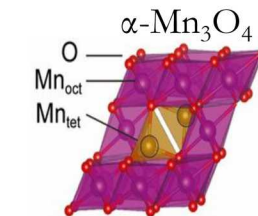


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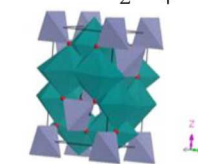
## Technical Challenges Facing Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub>

### Cathode:

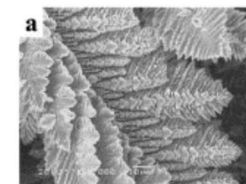
- Irreversibility of Cathode
- Susceptibility to Zinc poisoning



PNAS 115 (23), E5261 (2018)



Mater. Chem. Phys. 130, 39 (2011)



J. Electrochem. Soc., 163 (9), A1836 (2016)

### Separator:

- Zincate crossover

### Anode:

- Shape Change
- Dendrite Growth
- Irreversible ZnO Passivation

**Problem: Cycling Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> (both electrodes) at high capacities for thousands of cycles - not realized**

Limiting Depth of Discharge has been shown to be a viable approach → 125 Wh/L to 170 Wh/L @ \$80-110/kWh

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

**R&D: Full 2e<sup>-</sup> equivalent can be realized, susceptible to zinc poisoning**

G. G. Yadav, J. W. Gallaway, D. E. Turney, M. Nyce, J. Huang, X. Wei and S. Banerjee, Nat. Commun., 8, 14424 (2017).

**R&D: > 2V High Voltage system offers promise of increased Energy Density** → 40% Zn/50% MnO<sub>2</sub> @ 2.4V ~ 760Wh/L ~ \$20/kWh (estimated)

G. G. Yadav, D. Turney, J. Huang, X. Wei and S. Banerjee, ACS Energy Lett., 4, 9, 2144 (2019).



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## RESULTS: (SNL) Zn Battery Posters - DOE OE Energy Storage Virtual Peer Review 2020

### SNL led Posters:

- D. Arnot et al. "Anodic Stripping Voltammetry Detection of Bismuth, Copper and Zinc and its Role in Evaluating Battery Separators"
- I. V. Kolesnichenko et al. "Polysulfone-Based Zincate-Blocking Separators for Secondary Zn-MnO<sub>2</sub> Batteries"
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- A. Frischknecht et al. "Atomistic Simulations of Sulfone-based Polymer Electrolytes for Alkaline Batteries"

*A total of 18 Posters*

### CCNY led Posters:

- D. Turney et al. "In operando synchrotron observations of aqueous Zn-MnO<sub>2</sub> materials evolution"
- S. Kolhekar et al. "Effect of KOH concentration on Mn(III) dissolution in Rechargeable γ-MnO<sub>2</sub> cathodes"
- M. D'Ambrose "Failure Mechanisms of Zinc Anodes in Rechargeable Alkaline Cells"
- B. Hawkins et al. "Reversible Electrochemical Control of ZnO Electronic Properties and Defect Structure in Zn Alkaline Batteries"
- D. Dutta et al. "Molecular-Level Investigation of Concentrated Acetate Electrolytes for High-Voltage Aqueous Zinc Batteries using NMR Spectroscopy"
- J. Huang et al. "Electrochemical Evaluation of the Application of Hydrogel Electrolytes to Rechargeable Zn|MnO<sub>2</sub> Alkaline Batteries"

### NEU led Posters:

- A. Bruck et al. "Bismuth Enables the Formation of Disordered Birnessite in Rechargeable Alkaline Batteries"
- M. A. Kim et al. "Synthesis of birnessite with inserted cations and its application in rechargeable batteries"

### NMSU led Posters:

- B. A. Magar et al. "Ab Initio Studies of the Cycling Mechanism of MnO<sub>2</sub> Cathodes Modified with Bi, Cu, and Mg in Rechargeable Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> Batteries"
- N. Paudel et al. "Influence of Surfaces and Structural Defects on the Electrochemical Properties of MnO<sub>2</sub> in Rechargeable Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> Batteries"

### StonyBrook led Posters:

- E. Takeuchi et al. "Vanadium Oxide Cathodes for Beyond Li-Ion Energy Storage"
- E. Takeuchi et al. "Manganese Oxide Cathodes for Aqueous Zinc Anode Batteries"

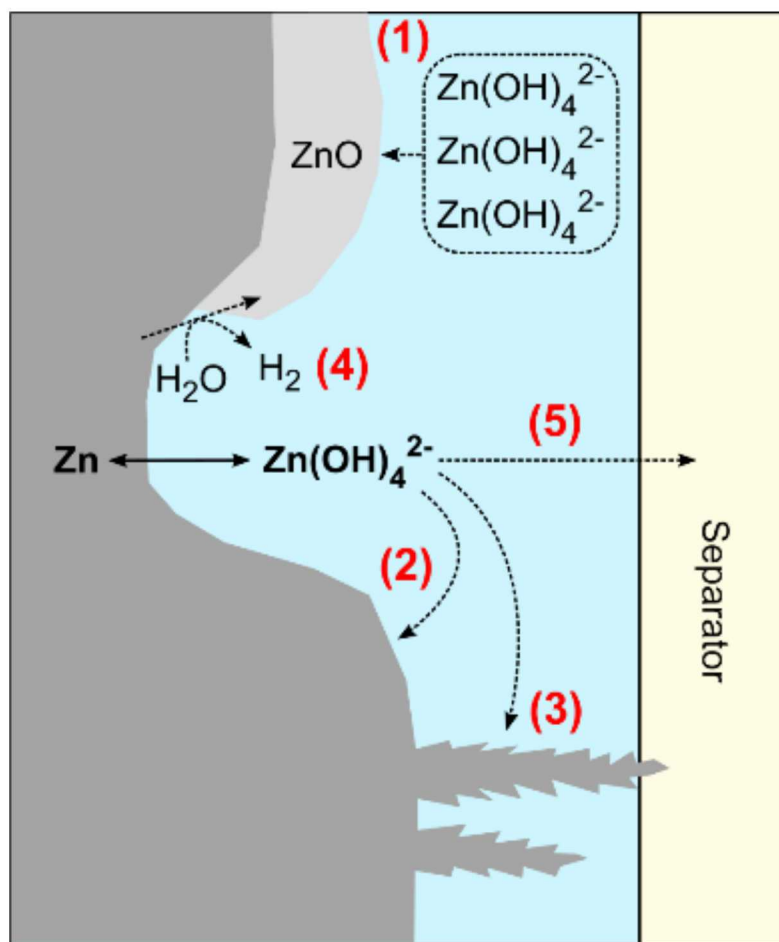
### UEP led Posters:

- M. Weiner et al. "Investigating electrochemical reactions of MnO<sub>2</sub> and Mn ions in Acidic Electrolyte"
- A. Upreti et al. "Functional hydrogels with enhanced physiochemical properties for highly energy dense rechargeable Zn-MnO<sub>2</sub> batteries"

## PROJECT OBJECTIVES

SNL FY Objective 1 - INCREASE UNDERSTANDING and the DEPTH OF DISCHARGE (CAPACITY) OF Zn ELECTRODE

**PROBLEM:** Zn Capacity has not be realized for thousands of cycles at high DOD



### Performance-Limiting Issues

- 1) Passivation
  - 2) Shape change
  - 3) Dendrite formation
  - 4)  $\text{H}_2$  evolution
  - 5) Zincate crossover
- Caused by solubility of ZnO in KOH (as  $\text{Zn(OH)}_4^{2-}$ ) and subsequent precipitation of ZnO and Zn*

**Restricting migration of zincate is key**

**RESULTS - FOUR POSTERS:**

M. Lim et al., M. D'Ambrose et al. B. Hawkins et al., J. Huang et al.

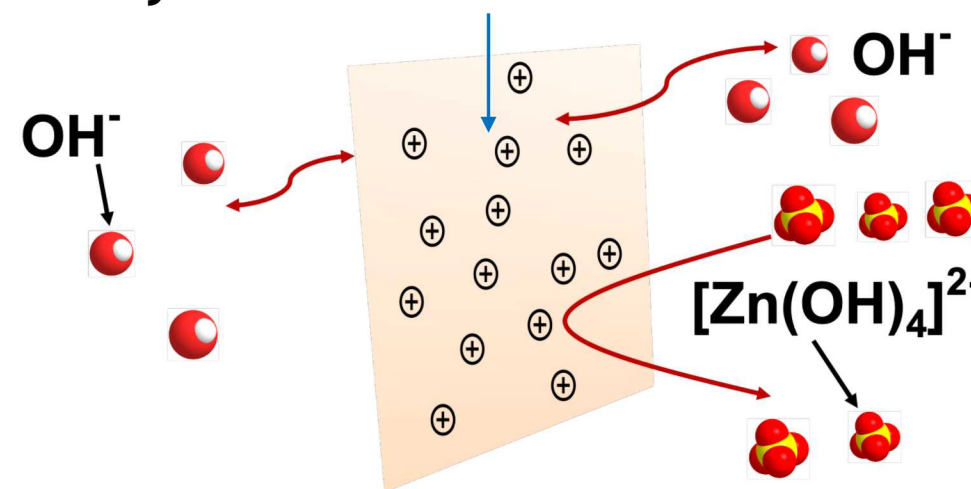
## SNL FY Objective 2 – DEMONSTRATE ZINCATE BLOCKING SEPARATOR

**PROBLEM:** High Capacity Bi/Cu-MnO<sub>2</sub> only cycles well in absence of Zn –  
*Need to prevent Zincate  $[\text{Zn}(\text{OH})_4]^{2-}$  Crossover to MnO<sub>2</sub> Cathode*

### Properties of an Effective Separator:

- Stability in alkaline electrolyte (pH >14)
- High ionic conductivity
- High hydroxide permeability
- Low zincate permeability
- Ease of Fabrication/Processing

*Charge screening, size screening,  
and/or chelation results in a  
hydroxide selective membrane.*



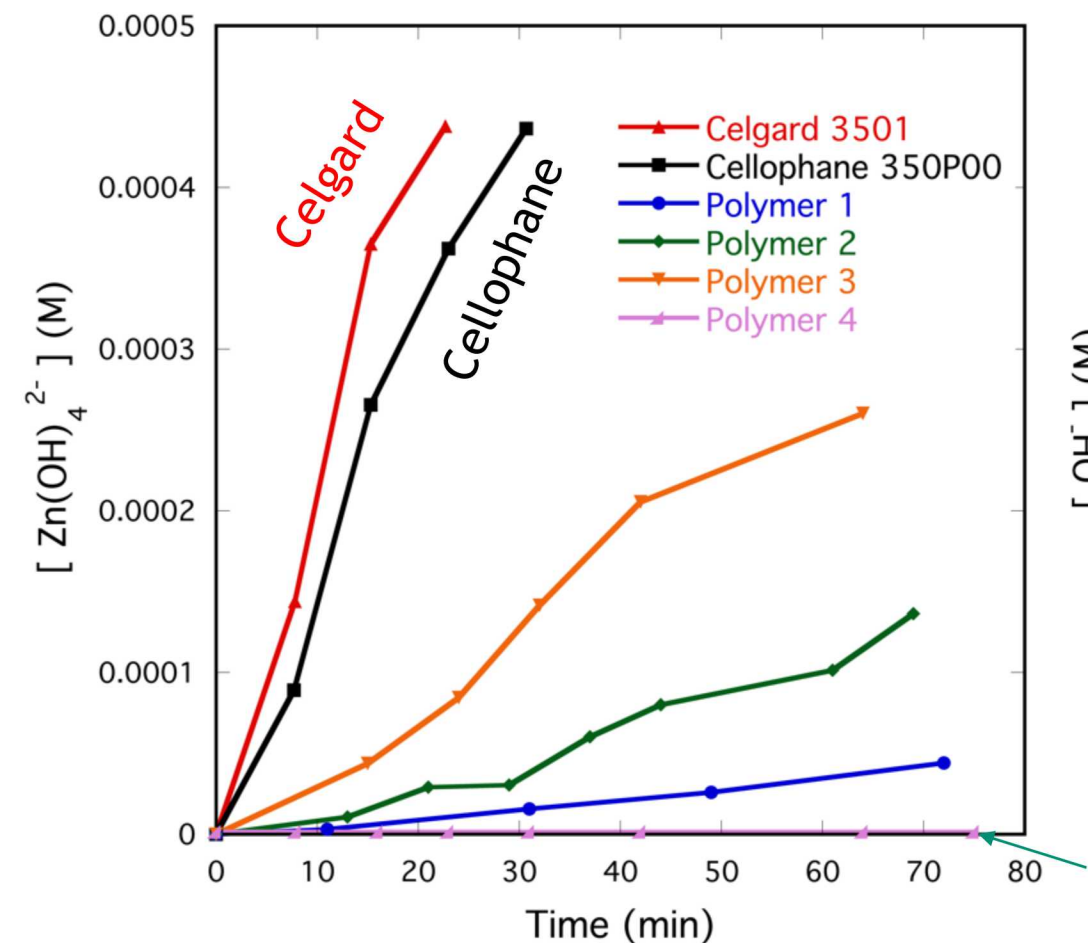
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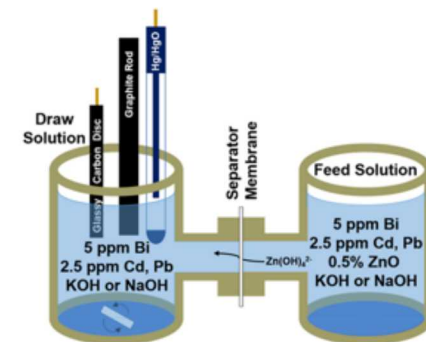
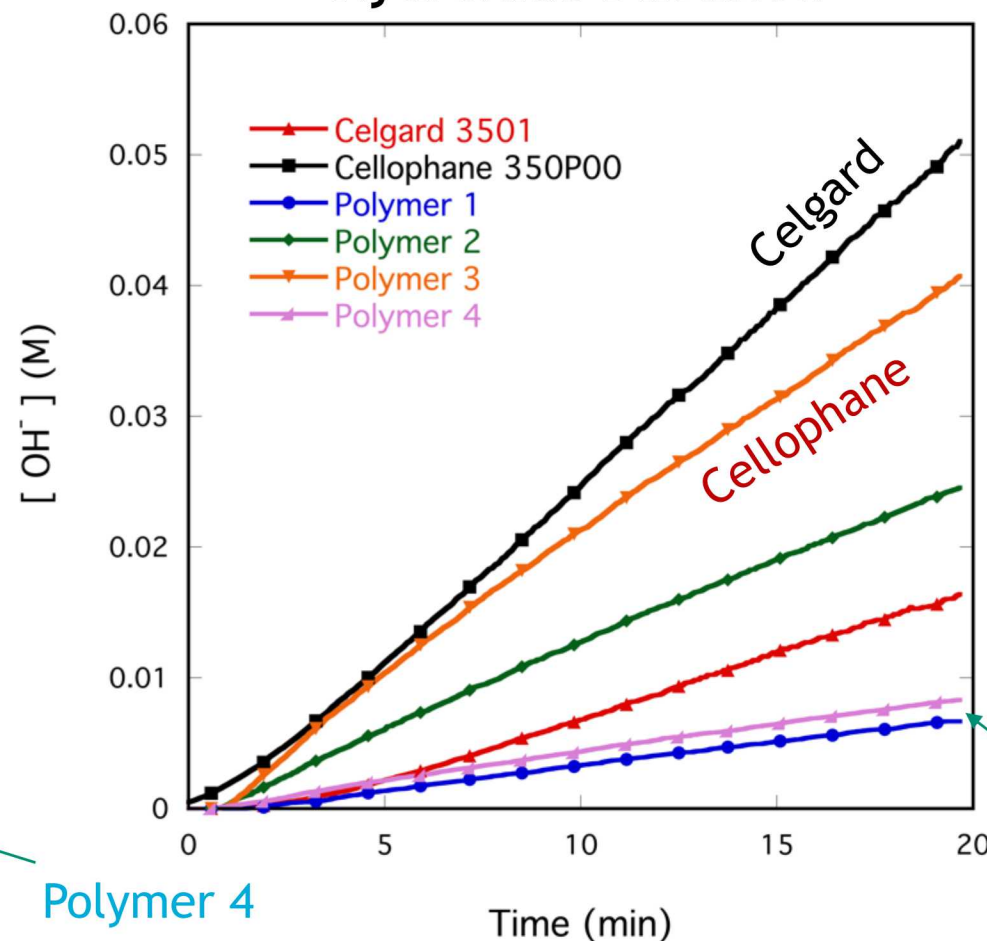
# PROJECT RESULTS

## *Ex Situ* – Hydroxide Selective Separator Successfully Developed

### Zincate Diffusion



### Hydroxide Diffusion



ASV Analysis of Zn, Cu  
and Bi in Alkaline

conditions

J. Duay, et al.

*Electroanalysis*

DOI: 10.1002/elan.201700337

DOI: 10.1002/elan.201700526.

D. Arnot et al.

*Electroanalysis*

Bi ASV

Manuscript Submitted FY20

Polymer 4

Polymer 4:  $D_{\text{HO}^-} / D_{\text{Zn(OH)}_4^{2-}} \sim 10,000$   
ASV LOD for zincate  $\sim 0.026$  mM

## RESULTS

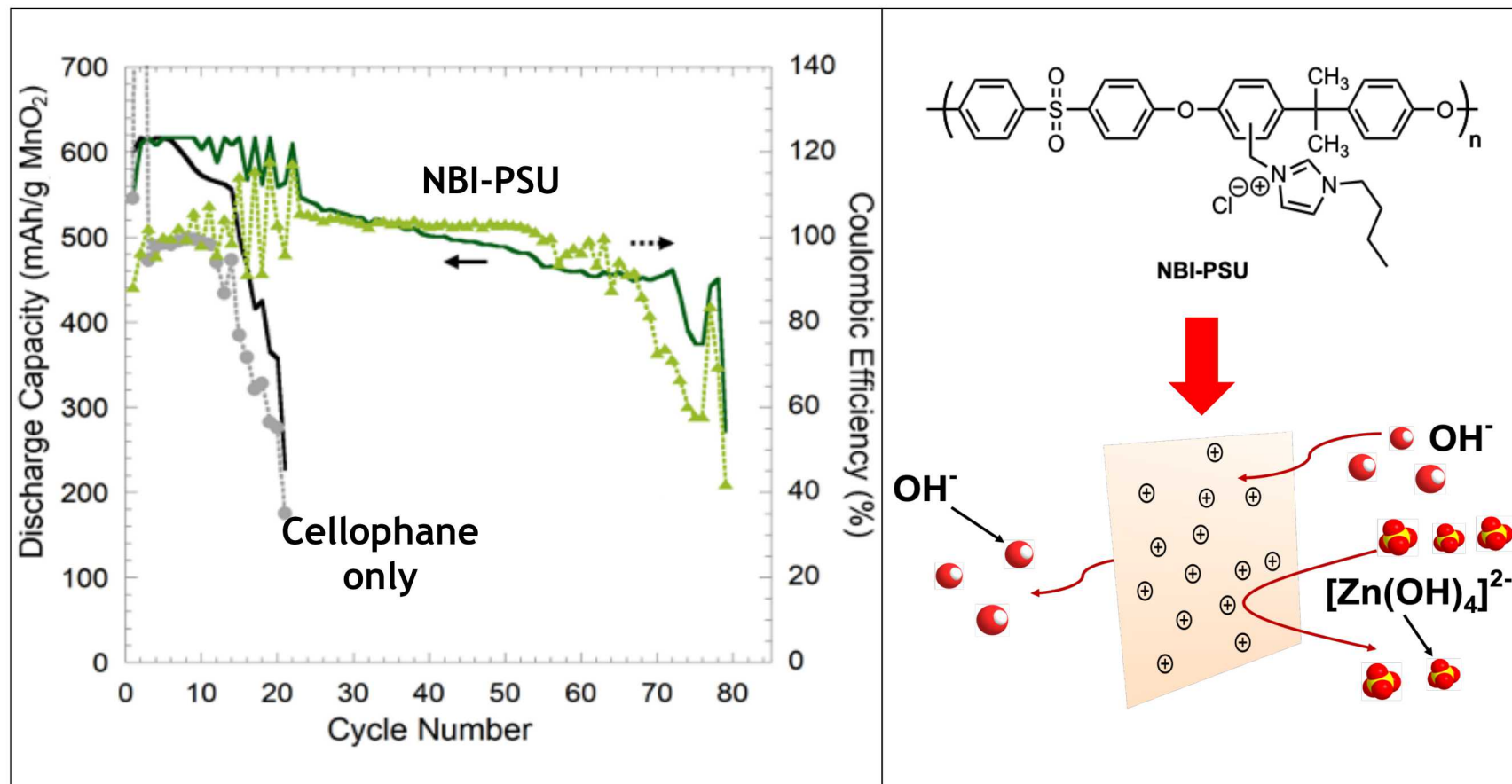
3 POSTERS: I. Kolesnichenko et al. , M. Lim et al., D. Arnot et al.

## PROJECT RESULTS (for Objective 2)



### *In Situ* - Hydroxide Selective Separator leads to 4-fold increase in Cycle Life

- Synthesized new PSU polymer
- Cast into Flexible Membrane
- More selective than COTS separators
- C/10 ( $2e^-$  of  $MnO_2$ ) cycling data under 'low electrolyte' conditions provides a 4-fold increase in cycle life



### RESULTS (in collaboration with CCNY and UEP)

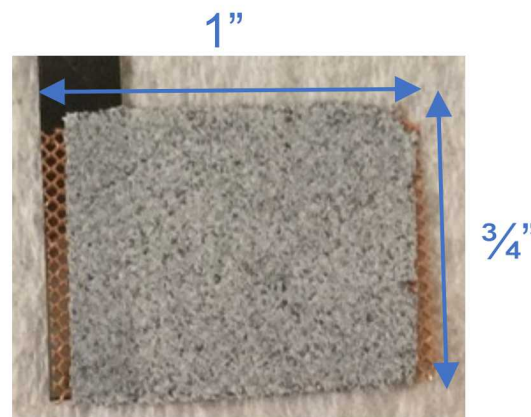
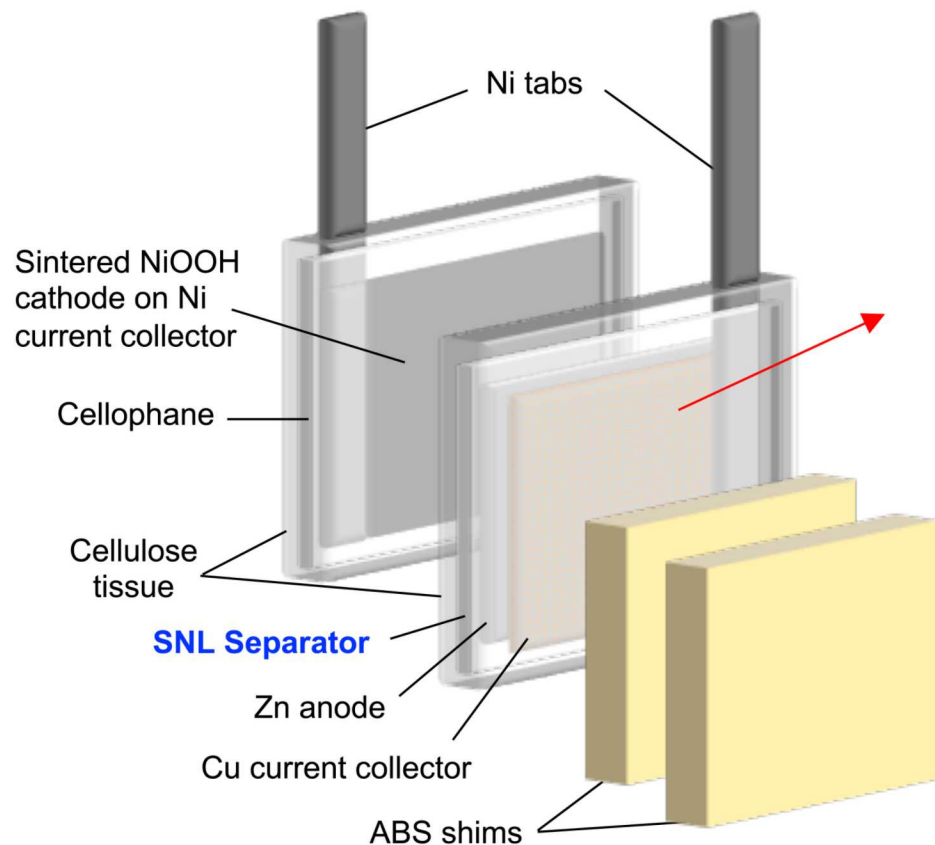
**Manuscript:** I. V. Kolesnichenko et al. "Zincate-Blocking Functionalized Polysulfone Separators for Secondary Zn/ $MnO_2$  Batteries" *manuscript under review*.

**POSTER:** I. Kolesnichenko *et al.* "Polysulfone-Based Zincate-Blocking Separators for Secondary Zn- $MnO_2$  Batteries"

# PROJECT RESULTS (for Objective I)



Utilization of flexible separator (**Polymer 4**) to enable increased Zn DOD



Scalable Zn/ZnO powder-based anode  
(very similar to UEP electrode)

Polymer Separator – minimal volume change or complexity to cell

## RESULTS

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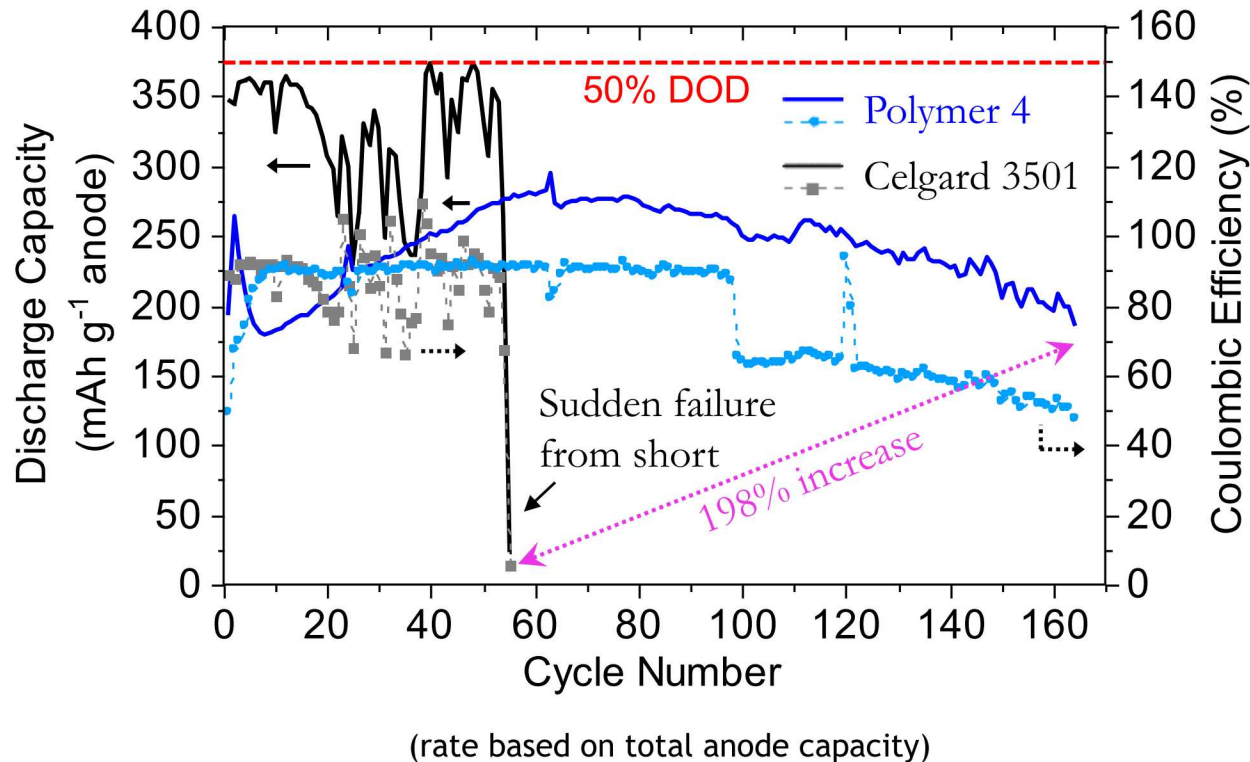
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# PROJECT RESULTS (for Objective I)



Flexible separator (**Polymer 4**) enables increased Zn DOD and cycle life

C/20 (3.0 mA/cm<sup>2</sup>), 50% Zn DOD limit



*Selective Separator prevents zincate crossover and impedes Zn growth enabling longer cell life*

- Selective Separator enables > 150 cycles
- Achieves Average DOD of 32%
- 198% Increase in cycle life is obtained
- Achieves average Energy Density of 180 Wh L<sup>-1</sup>

*Increased cycle life of energy-dense Zn electrodes without adding significant volume, complexity (or cost?) to the system*

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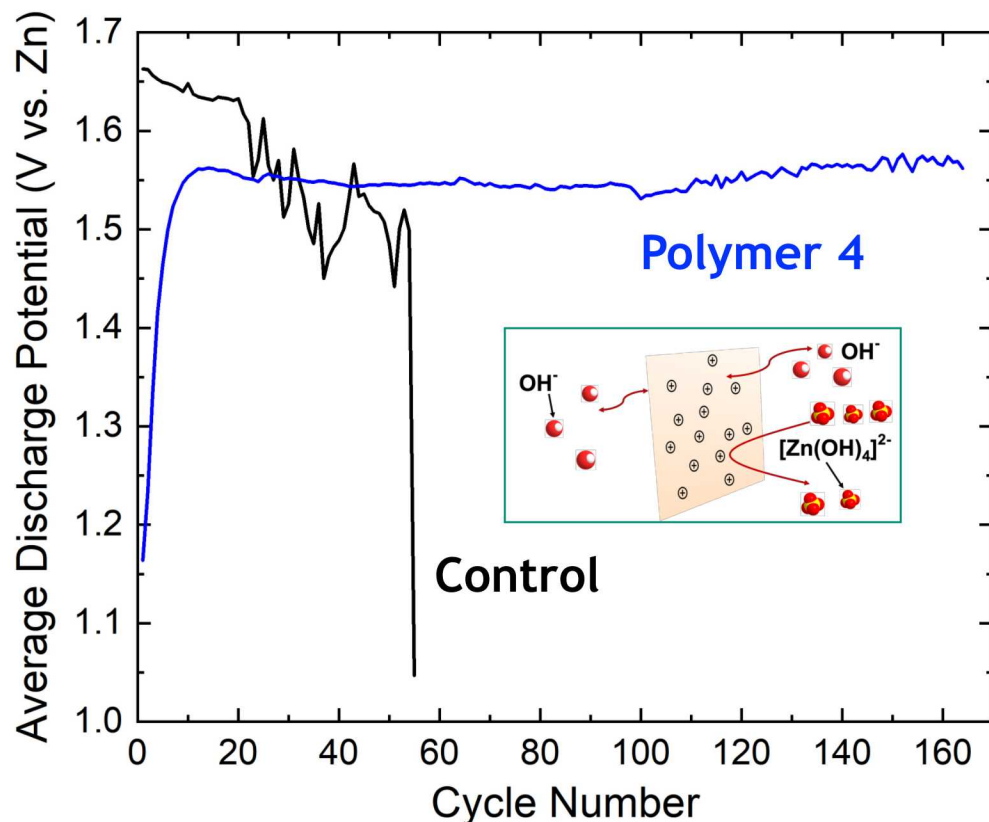
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## PROJECT RESULTS (for Objective 1)



### Flexible separator (**Polymer 4**) enables increased Zn DOD

#### Average Potential During Discharge at (nominally) 50% DOD



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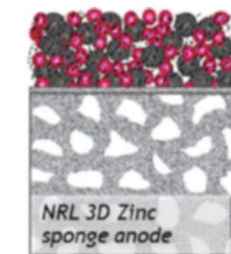
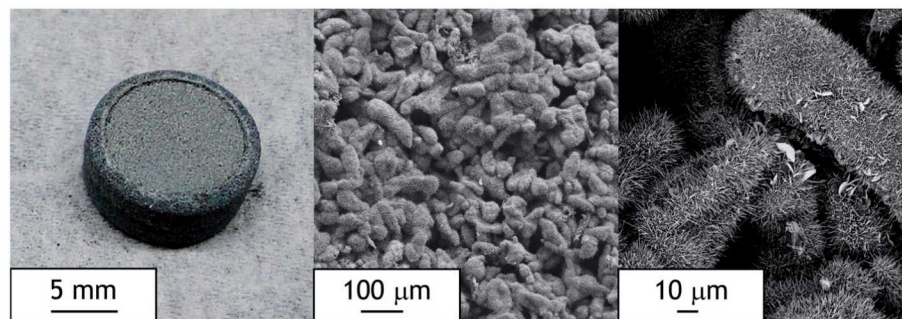
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# COMPARISON TO OTHER HIGH DOD Zn ANODES

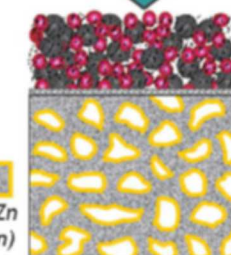
- Parker et al., Science 2017, 356 (6336), 415.
  - 3D Zn sponge
  - 111 cycles above 20% DOD (including 85 cycles at 40% DOD limit)
  - Anode capacity  $\sim 100 \text{ mAh/cm}^2$
- Stock et al., ACS Applied Energy Materials 2018, 1 (10), 5579-5588.
  - C mesh/ZnO/anion-exchange ionomer core-shell structure
  - 67 cycles with 40.5% average DOD
  - Anode capacity  $\sim 5.7 \text{ mAh/cm}^2$
- Yan et al., ACS Applied Energy Materials 2018, 1 (11), 6345-6351.
  - ZnO nanoparticles in “lasagna-like” GO matrix
  - 150 cycles with 82.2% average DOD
  - Anode capacity  $\sim 0.66 \text{ mAh/cm}^2$

## Our work

- Scalable Zn/ZnO powder-based anode w/flexible separator (i.e. similar to UEP Zn-electrode)
- 164 cycles above 25% DOD with 32.4% average DOD
- Anode capacity  $\sim 60 \text{ mAh/cm}^2$

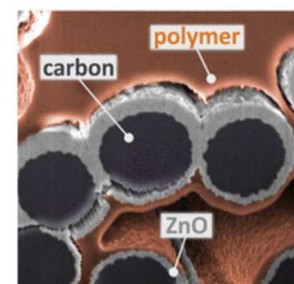


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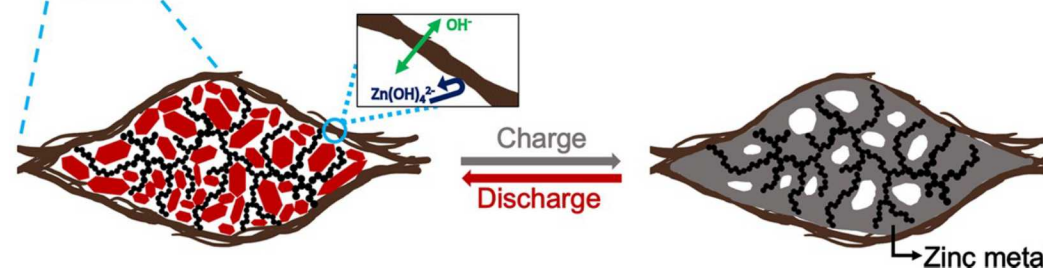
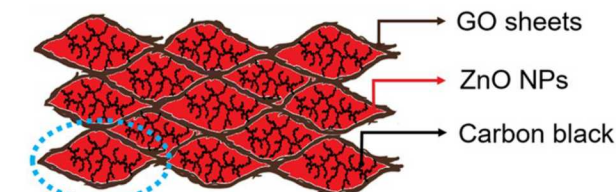


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Science 2017, 356, 415

ZnO on Zn  
(ZnO@Zn)



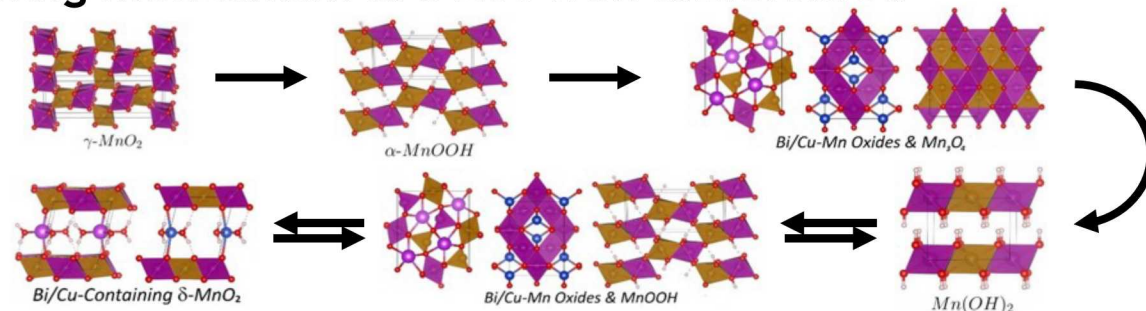
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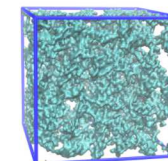
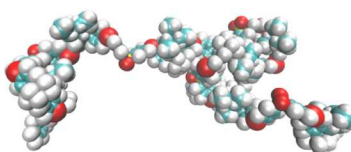
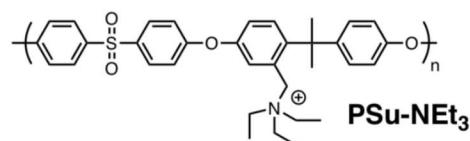
## SNL FY Objective 3 – USE MODELING TO UNDERSTAND CATHODE MECHANISMS AND ION TRANSPORT

**PROBLEM:** Cathode cycling mechanism are not well understood



Prof. Igor Vasiliev

**PROBLEM:** Selective ion transport mechanisms are not well understood



Amalie Frischknecht

## RESULTS

**MANUSCRIPT:** B. A. Magar et al. “Ab Initio Studies of Discharge Mechanism of  $\text{MnO}_2$  in Deep-Cycled Rechargeable  $\text{Zn/MnO}_2$  Batteries” J. Electrochem. Soc. 2020, 167, 020557. DOI:10.1149/1945-7111/ab6eec.

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**PROPOSAL:** \*\*\* **NEW CINT User Proposal (2020AU0134):** T. N. Lambert, A. Frischnecht et al. Nanoscale Morphology and Ion Transport in Membrane Separators for Rechargeable Alkaline Batteries \*\*\*

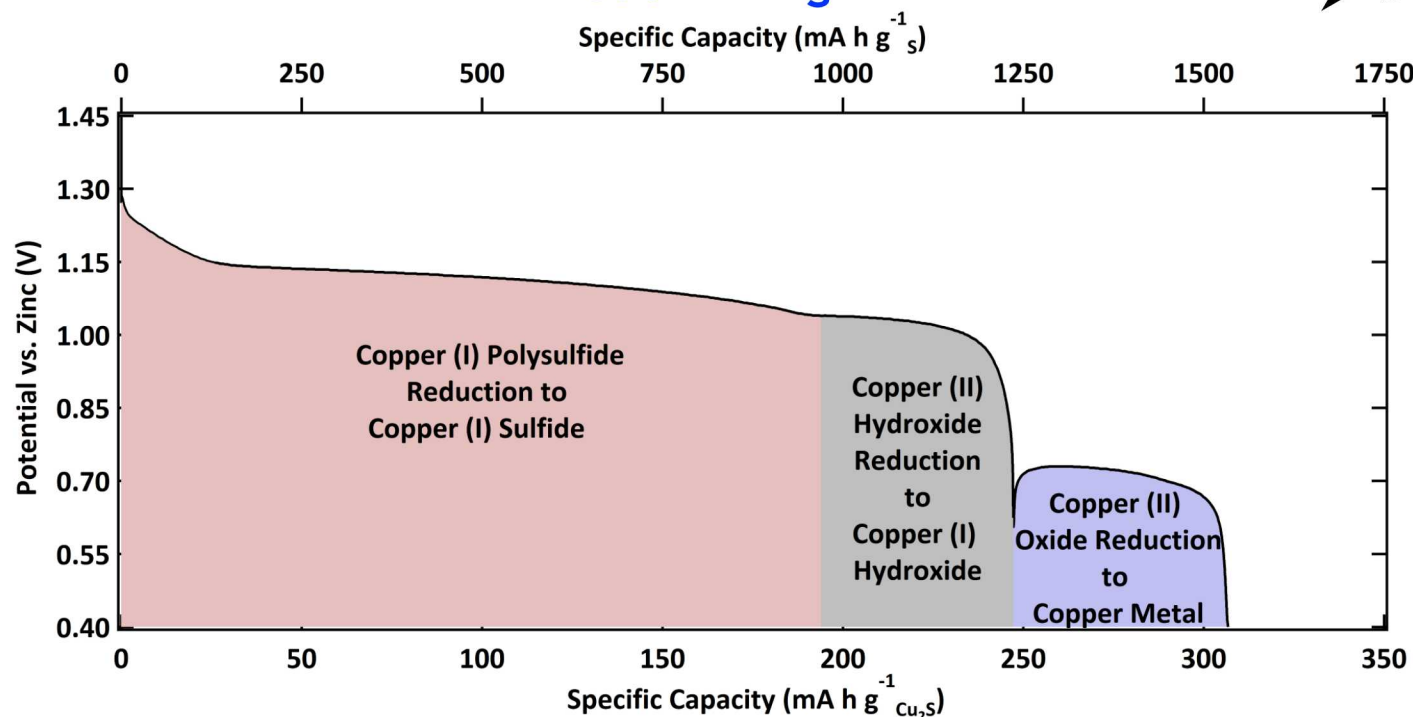
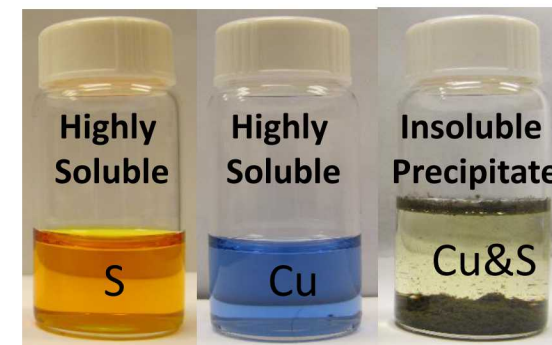
# SNL FY Objective 4 - DEVELOPMENT OF NEW LOW COST HIGH CAPACITY BATTERY CHEMISTRIES

**Zn/Cu<sub>2</sub>S**

Sulfur is known to have a high theoretical specific capacity:

**1650 mA h g<sup>-1</sup>**

- ~1500 mAh g<sup>-1</sup> (S)
- ~300 mAh g<sup>-1</sup> (Cu<sub>2</sub>S)
- ~ 23 mAh cm<sup>-2</sup>
- >135 Wh L<sup>-1</sup>
- ~ 250 cycles



Electrode transitions from Sulfur electrochemistry to Copper Electrochemistry

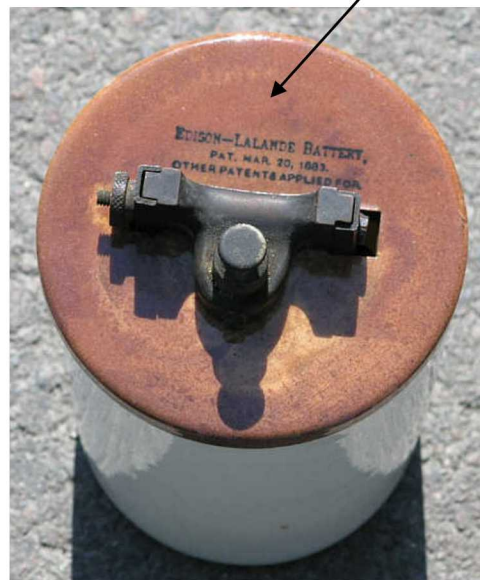
Copper electrochemistry is not sufficiently stable to cycle well

Leads to failure

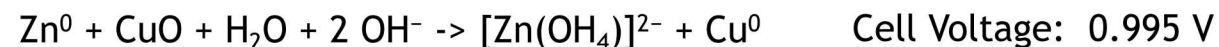
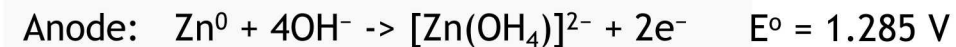
## RESULTS

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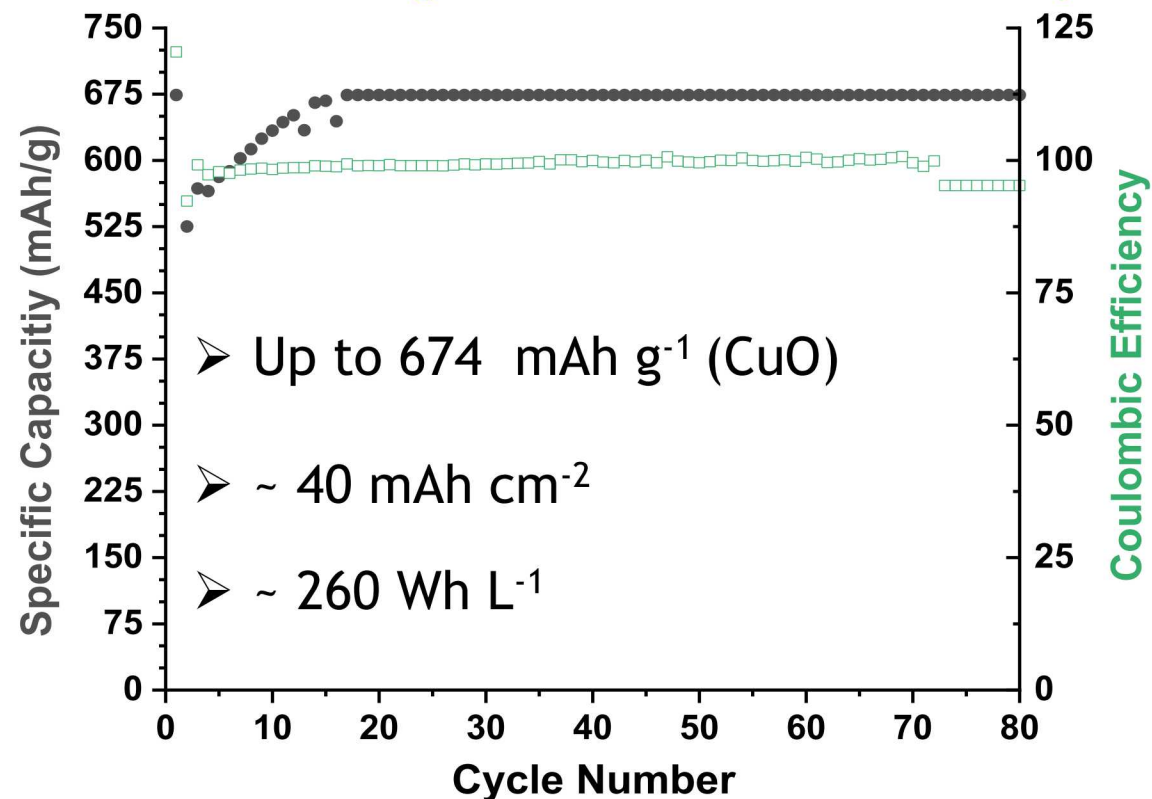
# SNL FY Objective 4 - DEVELOPMENT OF NEW LOW COST HIGH CAPACITY BATTERY CHEMISTRIES



Edison-Lalande  
Battery (Primary Cell)



## FY 20: 1<sup>st</sup> rechargeable Alkaline Zn/CuO Battery



## RESULTS

PATENT APPLICATION: T. N. Lambert and J. Duay

PUBLICATION: N. Schorr *et al.* manuscript submitted (In Collaboration with NEU).

PLAN: FUTURE WORK TO INCLUDE DEVELOPMENT WITH UEP

## FY 20 Accomplishments

### 1. Demonstrated Increased Cycle life of Energy Dense Zn:

- > 150 cycles at Average  $\text{DOD}_{\text{Zn}}$  32% @ 180 Wh L<sup>-1</sup> (198% lifetime increase over control)
- > 350 cycles at Average  $\text{DOD}_{\text{Zn}}$  = 17% @ 132 Wh L<sup>-1</sup> (897% lifetime increase over control)

*Use of selective separator = No significant volume or complexity added to the system*

### 2. Demonstrated Increased Cycle life of Energy Dense Zn/(Cu/Bi-MnO<sub>2</sub>) cells:

- Synthesis of new cationic polysulfone-based separator and membranes
- (Partial) Zincate screening demonstrated
- Four-fold increase in cycle life under low electrolyte conditions

### 3. Developed the first Zn/CuO re-chargeable battery

- Energy density of ~ 260 Wh L<sup>-1</sup>
- Among the highest Energy Density reported for Zn/Conversion cathode battery

(not shown in detail, see Poster, D. Arnot et al.)

### 4. Developed Anodic Stripping Voltammetry for Bi in Highly Alkaline Electrolyte

- Limit of DOD ~ 8.5 ppb
- Can now more efficiently screen separators for Zn, Cu and Bi crossover

**FY 20 Manuscripts (15 total = 8 published, 6 in peer review, 1 in preparation)**

1. R. M. Wittman et al. “A materials perspective on the reliability and safety of grid-scale aqueous batteries” J. Electrochem. Soc. 2020, 167, 090545. <https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1149/1945-7111/ab9406/meta>
2. M. B. Lim et al “Rechargeable Alkaline Zinc-Manganese Oxide Batteries for Grid Storage: Mechanisms, Challenges and Developments” Mater. Sci. Eng. R Rep. 2020, manuscript submitted.
3. I. V. Kolesnichenko et al. “Zincate-Blocking Functionalized Polysulfone Separators for Secondary Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> Batteries” manuscript submitted.
4. D. J. Arnot et al. “Bismuth Detection in Alkaline Electrolyte via Anodic Stripping Voltammetry for Battery Separator Evaluation” manuscript submitted.
5. M. B. Lim et al. “Rechargeable Zinc Batteries for Grid Storage” Book Chapter in U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Energy Storage Handbook, 2020.
6. N. B. Schorr et al “Rechargeable Alkaline Zinc/Copper Oxide Batteries” manuscript submitted.
7. B. E. Hawkins et al. “Reversible Electrochemical Control of Conductivity, Color, and Native Defect Structure of ZnO” manuscript submitted.
8. M. D’Ambrose et al. “Failure Mechanisms of Rechargeable Zinc Conversion Electrodes in Alkaline Electrolyte” manuscript submitted.
9. D. E. Turney et al. Book Chapter: Aqueous Mn-Zn and Ni-Zn batteries for sustainable energy storage in eds. M. Alston, T. Lambert, Energy - Sustainable Advanced Materials, in Press, Springer Nature, London, 2020 <https://www.springer.com/gp/book/9783030574918>.



## FY 20 Manuscripts continued...

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11. G. G. Yadav et al. "Rechargeable Manganese Dioxide-Zinc Batteries" Chemical & Engineering News, 98 (19), 41-47, 2020.
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14. A. C. Marschlok et al. "Energy dispersive X-ray diffraction (EDXRD) for operando materials characterization within batteries" Physical Chemistry Chemical Physics, 2020. DOI:10.1039/D0CP00778A. [https://pubs.rsc.org/en/content/articlehtml/2020/cp/d0cp00778a?casa\\_token=LWjji-kV7QAAAAAA:y9TvijTJ94WIAYlil33yQFCkatRhOavhhE1C0kleOYxy5VbF7r7dGwNMGt3U0sjCDFJGEVYu93vC](https://pubs.rsc.org/en/content/articlehtml/2020/cp/d0cp00778a?casa_token=LWjji-kV7QAAAAAA:y9TvijTJ94WIAYlil33yQFCkatRhOavhhE1C0kleOYxy5VbF7r7dGwNMGt3U0sjCDFJGEVYu93vC)
15. B. A. Magar et al. "Ab Initio Studies of Discharge Mechanism of MnO<sub>2</sub> in Deep-Cycled Rechargeable Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> Batteries" Journal of the Electrochemical Society, February 5, 2020, Vol. 167, Issue 2, 020557, doi: 10.1149/1945-7111/ab6eec. <https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1149/1945-7111/ab6eec>

## FY 20 Presentations (37 Presentations)

1. M. B. Lim, I, Kolesnichenko, D. Arnot and T. N. Lambert “Effect of ZnO-Saturated electrolyte on Rechargeable Alkaline Zinc Batteries at High Depth-of-Discharge” 2019 Postdoc Research Symposium and Career Fair, Los Alamos, NM, August 27th, 2019.
2. Invited Talk: T. N. Lambert “Recent Progress in Alkaline Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> Batteries” NAATBatt International Workshop on Zinc Battery Technology II, the Advanced Science Research Center at CUNY, New York, New York, November 7, 2019.
3. D. J. Arnot et al. “Permselective Separators for Rechargeable Alkaline Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> Batteries” 2019 Annual AIChE Student Conference Poster Competition, Orlando, Florida, November 8-11, 2019.
4. B. Hawkins et al. “The Electrochemical Activity of Zinc Oxide Discharge Product in Zinc Alkaline Electrodes” 2019 AIChE Battery and Energy Storage Workshop, New York, New York, October 21-22nd, 2019.
5. J. Cho et al. “The Study on the Factors Affecting the Single Discharge Curve of the Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> Primary Battery and Their Effects on the Energy Density Performance” 2019 AIChE Battery and Energy Storage Workshop, New York, New York, October 21-22nd, 2019.
6. M. B. Lim et al. “Effect of ZnO-Saturated Electrolyte on Rechargeable Alkaline Zn-Ni and Zn-MnO<sub>2</sub> Batteries at High Zinc Depth-of-Discharge” 236th Electrochemical Society Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, October 13-17, 2019.
7. M. D'Ambrose et al. “Zinc Anode Discharge Study in Alkaline Electrolyte for Rechargeable Battery Applications, 2019 AIChE Annual Meeting,  
<https://aiche.confex.com/aiche/2019/meetingapp.cgi/Paper/575378>
8. G.G. Yadav “Highly Energy-Dense, Rechargeable, Alkaline Birnessite-Zinc Batteries for Grid-Scale Applications” ECS Conference, November 2019, <https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1149/MA2019-02/1/47/meta>



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9. BE Hawkins et al. “Investigating the Dynamic Behavior of Zinc Oxide Discharge Product in Rechargeable Zinc Electrodes” 236th ECS Meeting (October 13-17, 2019), <https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1149/MA2019-02/6/457/meta>
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11. D.E. Turney et al. “Elucidating Battery Reaction Mechanisms in Aqueous Rechargeable Mn-Zn Cells By Advanced Computational and Experimental Approaches” AIChE Annual Conference Talk, San Francisco, November 2020, accepted, proceedings not public yet, <https://www.aiche.org/conferences/aiche-annual-meeting/2020>
12. B. E. Hawkins et al. “A Mechanistic Study of Proton Insertion and Defects in Electrochromic Zinc Oxide Formed in Alkaline Electrolytes by Solid-State NMR Spectroscopy” 61st Experimental Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Conference (ENC), 8-13 Mar. 2020, Baltimore, MD., <https://www.enc-conference.org/DesktopModules/inmAbstractAdmin/inmAbstractAdminDisplay.aspx?Conference=ENC2020&Session=PB>
13. B. E. Hawkins et al. “The Electrochemical Activity of Zinc Oxide Discharge Product in Zinc Alkaline Electrodes” American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) 2019 Battery and Energy Storage Workshop, 21-22 Oct. 2019, New York, NY., <https://www.aiche.org/cei/conferences/battery-and-energy-storage/2019/technical-program>
14. B. E. Hawkins et al. “The Dynamic Behavior of the Discharge Product in Zinc-Alkaline Batteries” 2019 MRS Fall Meeting, 1-6 December 2019, Boston, MA. <https://mrsfall2019.zerista.com/event/member/612488>
15. M. D'Ambrose “Zinc anode discharge study in alkaline electrolyte for rechargeable battery applications” American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Battery and Energy Storage Workshop, 21 October 2019, New York, NY. [Poster], <https://www.aiche.org/conferences/aiche-annual-meeting/2019/proceeding/paper/696d-zinc-anode-discharge-study-alkaline-electrolyte-rechargeable-battery-applications>



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16. J. Cho et al. "The Study on the Factors Affecting the Single Discharge Curve of the Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> Primary Battery and Their Effects on the Energy Density Performance," 2019 Battery & Energy Storage Workshop, 21-22 October 2019, New York, NY.
17. J. Cho, "Electrochemical Evaluation of the Application of Hydrogel Electrolytes to Rechargeable Zn|MnO<sub>2</sub> Alkaline Batteries" American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting, 15-20 Nov. 2020, San Francisco, CA.
18. G. Yadav, "Highly Energy Dense Cu-Intercalated Birnessite/Zn Battery for Grid Applications" 2019 AIChE Annual Meeting.
19. G. Yadav "Going Beyond Intercalation Capacity of Aqueous Batteries By Exploiting the Conversion Reactions of Mn and Zn-Based Electrodes for Energy Dense Applications" 2019 AIChE Annual Meeting.
20. G. Yadav "Going Beyond Intercalation Capacity of Aqueous Batteries By Exploiting the Conversion Reactions of Mn and Zn-Based Electrodes for Energy Dense Applications" ECS Conference, November 2019.
21. Invited Talk: G. G. Yadav, Engineering an Aqueous Energy Dense Manganese Dioxide|Zinc Battery to Challenge Lithium-Ion's Dominance, Invited Talk at the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Battery and Energy Storage Workshop, 21 October 2019, New York, NY.
22. Invited Talk: G. G. Yadav, Engineering an Aqueous Energy Dense Manganese Dioxide|Zinc Battery to Challenge Lithium-Ion's Dominance, Invited Talk at NAATBATT Zinc Workshop, November 2019, New York, NY.
23. Invited Talk: G. G. Yadav "High Voltage Zinc|Manganese Dioxide Batteries for Electric Vehicles" Invited Talk at NAATBATT Zinc Workshop, February 2020, New York, NY.
24. Invited Talk: J. W. Gallaway et al. "Operando Characterization of Rechargeable Alkaline MnO<sub>2</sub> Batteries" AIChE Center for Energy Initiatives, 2019 Battery and Energy Storage Workshop, New York NY, 22 October 2019



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25. J. W. Gallaway, "Operando Studies to Enumerate the Electrochemical Phase Transformations of  $\text{MnO}_2$ " 1E - Electrochemical Fundamentals, American Institute of Chemical Engineers Fall Meeting, Orlando FL, November 2019.
26. M. Kim "Operando Energy Dispersive X-Ray Diffraction (EDXRD) of Bulk Cathode Material for Multivalent Secondary Batteries" The Electrochemical Society 236th Meeting, Atlanta GA, Oct 2019.
27. E. Takeuchi, "From Medical Applications to the Environment: the Important Role of Electrochemical Energy Storage," Cary lecture, Georgia Institute of Technology, March 4-5, 2020, Atlanta, GA.
28. E. Takeuchi "Parasitic Reactions and their Impact on Electrochemistry" Gordon Research Conference on Batteries February 16-20, 2020, Ventura, CA.
29. E. Takeuchi "From Medical Applications to the Environment: The Important Role of Electrochemical Energy Storage" Tufts University, October, 7, 2020.
30. A. C. Marschilok "Benefits of Complementary Ex-situ, In-situ and Operando Characterization of Electrochemical Energy Storage Systems" 2019 Battery and Energy Storage Workshop, Center for Energy Initiatives and American Institute of Chemical Engineers, New York, New York, October 21, 2019.
31. A. C. Marschilok "Fundamental Investigations Toward Safe Electrochemical Energy Storage Systems" LIB Consumer Safety: Strategies & Standards Meeting, Battery Safety Summit, Alexandria, Virginia, October 23, 2019.
32. A. C. Marschilok. "Energy Storage and Distribution" 2019 National Lab Day, The University of Toledo, Toledo, Ohio, October 11, 2019.
33. N. Paudel et al. "Theoretical Studies of Zinc Contamination of  $\alpha$ - $\text{MnO}_2$  in Deep-Cycled Rechargeable Zn/ $\text{MnO}_2$  Batteries" Four Corners Section Meeting of the American Physical Society, Prescott, AZ, October 11-12, 2019.  
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34. B. A. Magar et al. “Bi- and Cu-Modified-MnO<sub>2</sub> Electrodes in Rechargeable Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> Batteries: An Ab Initio Study” Four Corners Section Meeting of the American Physical Society, Prescott, AZ, October 11-12, 2019.  
<http://meetings.aps.org/Meeting/4CS19/Session/F01.24>
35. N. Paudel et al. “Influence of Structural Defects on the Electrochemical Properties of MnO<sub>2</sub> in Rechargeable Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> Alkaline Batteries: An Ab Initio Study”, March Meeting of the American Physical Society, Denver, CO, March 2-6, 2020. <https://meetings.aps.org/Meeting/MAR20/Session/A21.10>
36. B. A. Magar et al. “Ab Initio Study of the Discharge Mechanism of Bi- and Cu- Modified MnO<sub>2</sub>/Zn Rechargeable Batteries” March Meeting of the American Physical Society, Denver, CO, March 2-6, 2020.  
<https://meetings.aps.org/Meeting/MAR20/Session/B21.13>.
37. Invited Seminar: I. Vasiliev, “Discharge Mechanism of MnO<sub>2</sub> in Rechargeable Alkaline Zn/MnO<sub>2</sub> Batteries” Apple Inc., San Jose, CA, December 16, 2019.

## Proposals:

1. NEW CINT User Proposal (2020AU0134): T. N. Lambert, A. Frischnecht et al. Nanoscale Morphology and Ion Transport in Membrane Separators for Rechargeable Alkaline Batteries.

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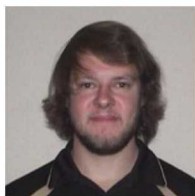
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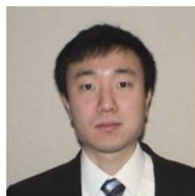
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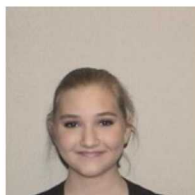
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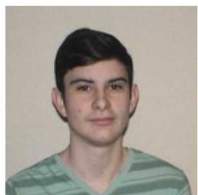
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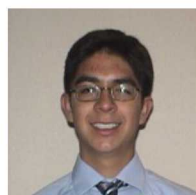
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