Functional Inorganic Materials Fall 2021

Tuesdays: 14.15 - 16.00 Thursdays: 12.15 - 14.00 Remote Zoom lectures

#	Date	Who	Topic
1	Tue 02.11.	Maarit	Introduction + Materials design
2	Thu 04.11.	Antti	Computational materials design
3	Tue 09.11.	Maarit	Superconductivity: High-T _c superconducting Cu oxides
4	Thu 11.11.	Maarit	Ionic conductivity (Oxygen): SOFC and Oxygen storage
5	Tue 16.11.	Maarit	Ionic conductivity (Lithium & Proton): Li-ion battery
6	Thu 18.11.	Antti	Thermal conductivity
7	Tue 23.11.	Antti	Thermoelectricity
8	Thu 25.11.	Maarit	Hybrid materials
9	Tue 30.11.	Maarit	Luminescence and optically active materials
10	Thu 02.12.	Antti	Piezoelectricity
11	Tue 07.12.	Antti	Pyroelectricity and ferroelectricity
12	Thu 09.12.	Antti	Magnetic and multiferroic oxides

LECTURE 5: Ionic conductivity: Lithium & Proton

- Proton conductivity
- Water/proton absorption & Oxide/hydroxide substitution
- Lithium ion conductivity
- Li-ion battery: material issues
- Solid-state electrolytes & Thin-film microbattery

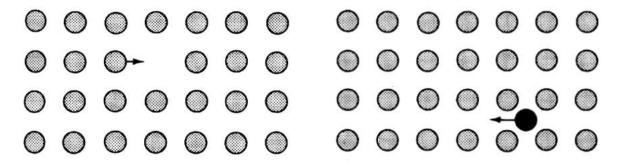
LECTURE EXERCISE 5

- 1. Which useful function could be anticipated for an oxygen-deficient oxide material with a tendency to absorb water? Explain!
- 2. Explain why the best Li-ion battery electrode materials have layered crystal structures.
- 3. What happens to (a) structure, (b) electrical conductivity, and (c)) Li-ion conductivity of Li₃PO₄ when nitrogen is introduced into it to form LiPON (Li_xPO_vN_z)? Why these are important changes?

IONIC CONDUCTIVITY

- Other terminologies:
 Fast ion conductor, Superionic conductor, Solid electrolyte, Solid state ionics
- Highly mobile ions move/hop through an otherwise rigid crystal structure
- Measurement of ionic conductivity: electrochemical impedance spectroscopy (EIS)
- APPLICATIONS:

batteries, fuel cells, supercapacitors, chemical sensors, separation membranes, ...

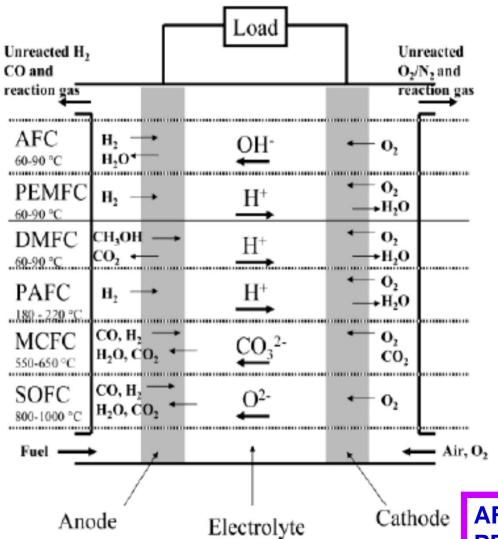


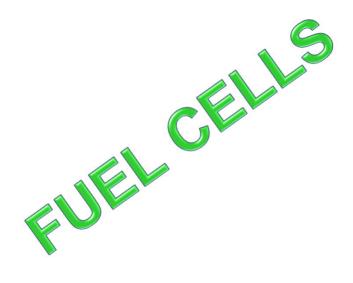
EFFECTIVE IONIC RADII

O²⁻ 140 pm OH⁻ 137 pm Li⁺ 60 pm H⁺ very small

mobile vacancy

mobile interstitial





Conventional PROTON-CONDUCTING MATERIALS

AFC Alkaline fuel cell

PEMFC Proton exchange membrane

DMFC Methol direct oxidize fuel cell

PAFC Phosphate fuel cell

MCFC Molten carbonate fuel cell

SOFC Solid-oxide fuel cell

PROTON CONDUCTORS

 PROTON CONDUCTOR: (solid) electrolyte in which movable hydrogen ions are the primary charge carriers

APPLICATIONS:

- hydrogen separation
- sensors
- fuel cells: PEM, SOFC (intermediate temperature range of 200-500 °C)

MATERIALS:

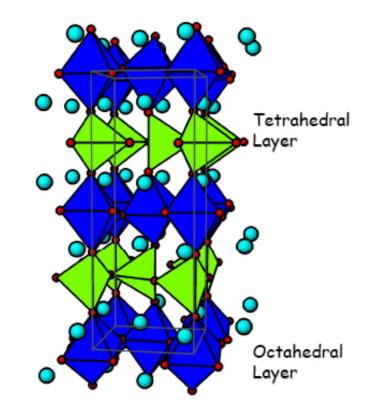
- water/ice
- polymers (e.g. nafion)
- H+ H H H
- oxidic materials (oxides, phosphates, sulphates, etc.)

PROTON-CONDUCTING OXIDES:

- First proton-conducting perovskites (1980, Iwahara et al.): LaYO₃, SrZrO₃
- Present perovskite prototypes: SrCeO₃, BaCeO₃
- Some Ruddlesden-Popper phases
- Some pyrochlores: R₂(Zr,Y)₂O₇, R₂(Ti,In,Mg)₂O₇

$Ba_2In_2O_5$ (BalnO_{2.5})

- Oxide ion conductor
- Brownmillerite structure derived from the perovskite structure (oxygen vacancies ordered into layers)
- At 800 °C oxygen vacancies disorder and the oxide ion conductivity jumps from 10⁻³ S/cm to 10⁻¹ S/cm
- Interesting for PROTON conductivity:
 Ba₂(In,Zr)₂O_{5+δ} absorbs water to fill oxygen vacancies and becomes a good proton conductor



O ²⁻	O ²⁻	O ²⁻	O ²⁻
O ²⁻	OH-	•	O ²⁻
O ²⁻	O ²⁻	O ²⁻	O ²⁻

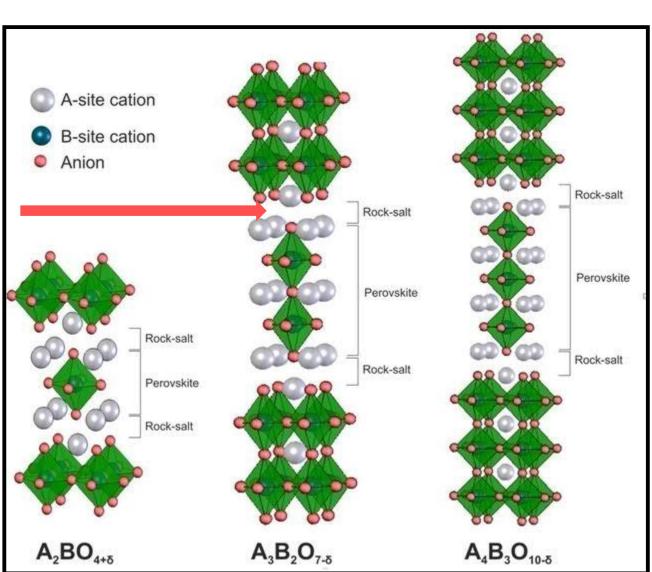
WATER/PROTON ABSORPTION OF OXIDES

- Affinity of oxide ion O^{2−} for H⁺ is great → in water solutions it immediately captures a proton from the H₂O solvent molecule
- Also in solid state O²⁻ ions tend to combine with protons
- Proton is very small → when it combines with oxygen the resultant OH⁻ group is almost identical in size with an O²⁻ ion → the most visible change is seen in the charge balance
- Many natural oxide minerals contain OH⁻ groups, e.g. pyrochlores
- Many (nonstoichiometric/highly-oxidized) metal oxides readily absorb water/protons → potential proton conductors

Ruddlesden-Popper $A_{n+1}B_nO_{1+3n}$

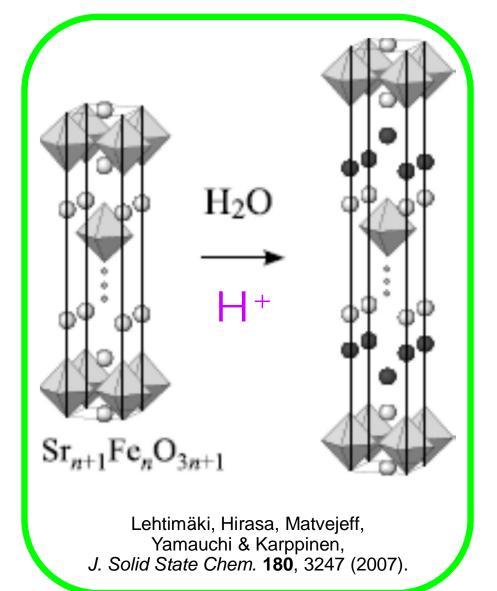
- Enough space for interstitial oxygen, water intercalation, excess protons, organic molecules, etc.

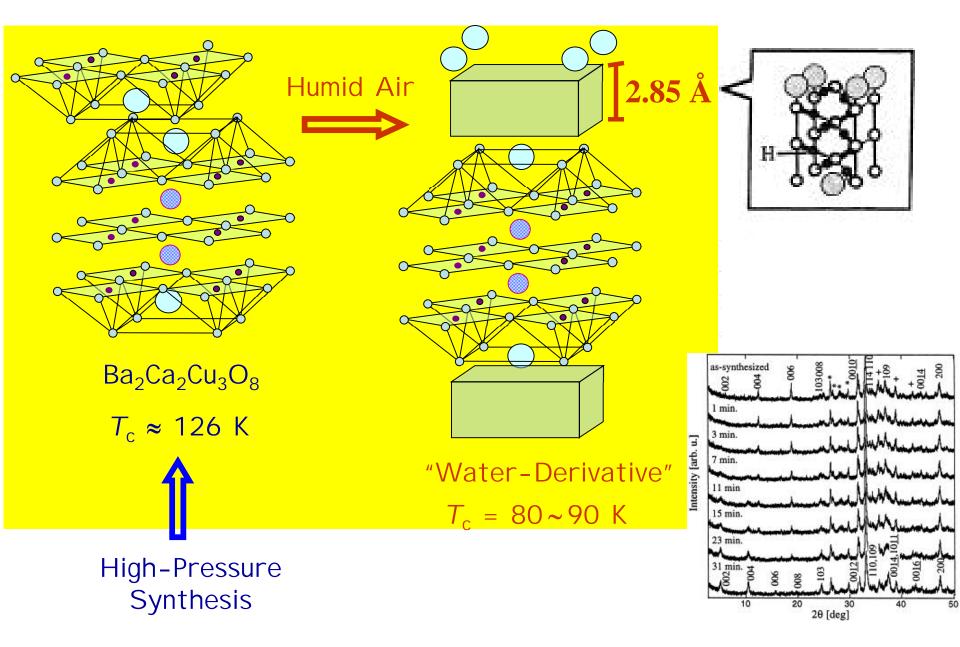
O²⁻, H₂O, H⁺



H,O 28.0 Å H2O/H+ 20.2 Å Sr₃Fe₂O₇₋₅ Water derivative ⁵⁷Fe Mössbauer 3.30 3.28 3.26 3.24 4 3.22 3.20 3.18 3.16 20 Time [h] Matvejeff, Lehtimäki, Hirasa, Huang, Yamauchi & Karppinen, Chem. Mater. 17, 2775 (2005).

Water-derivatives of $Sr_{n+1}Fe_nO_{3n+1}$





T. Hosomi, H. Suematsu, H. Fjellvåg, M. Karppinen & H. Yamauchi, *J. Mater. Chem.* 9, 1141 (1999)

Li-ION BATTERY

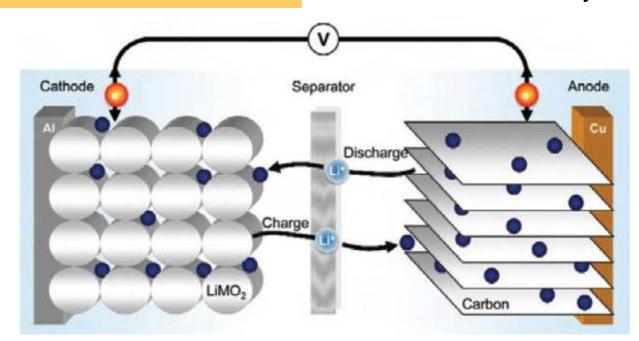
- Li is lightest and smallest of all metals
- Li has largest electrochemical potential
- Light-weight, high voltage, large energy density battery
- No "memory effect", small self discharge
- Cell phones, laptops, wearable electronics, electric cars and vehicles, energy storage related to solar cells and wind power, etc.

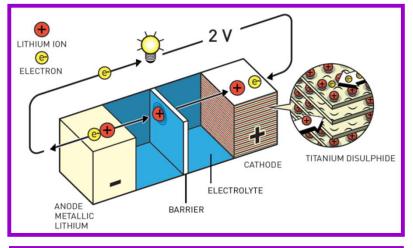


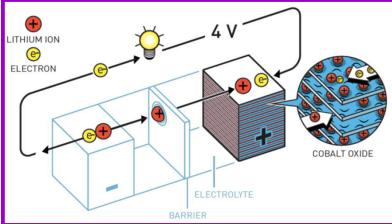
First commercial Li-ion battery

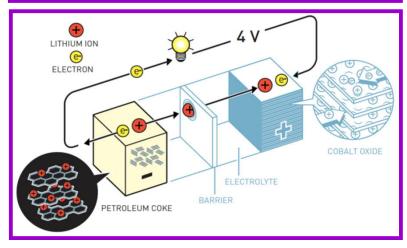
"WET CELL"

- Anode & Cathode: electric and ionic cond.
- Liquid electrolyte: ionic conductivity
- Separator & additives









Chemistry Nobel 2019



Stanley Whittingham (UK):

- Exxon: TiS₂ cathode 1976

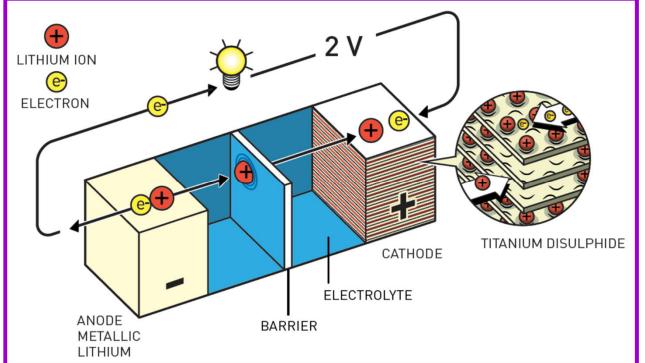
John Goodenough (US):

- Univ. Oxford: LiCoO₂ cathode 1980

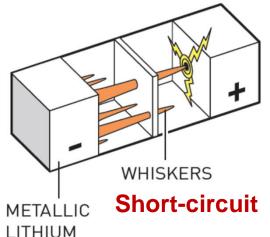
Akira Yoshino (Jpn):

- Asahi Kasei: carbon-based anode 1985

Commercialization: Sony 1991

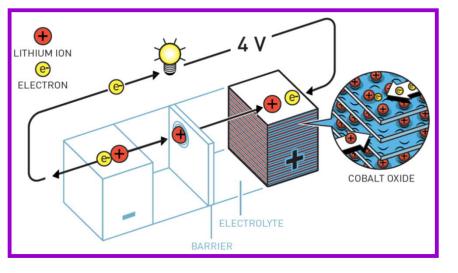


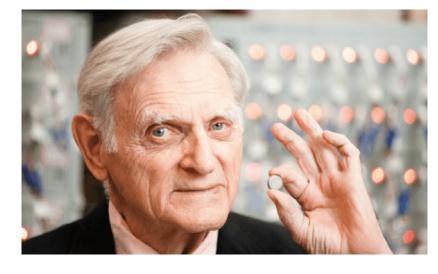




Stanley Whittingham (born 1941 UK)

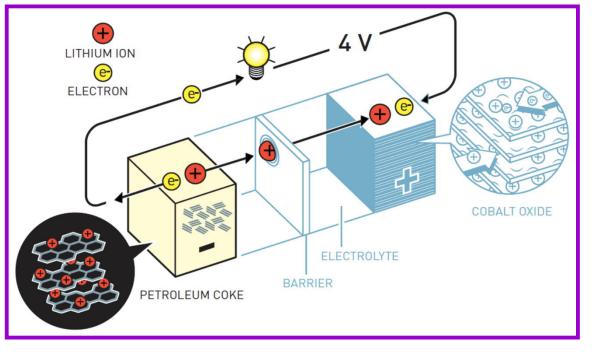
- PhD 1968 (Oxford University, Chemistry)
- Postdoc 1968-1972 (Stanford University)
- Exxon 1972-1984: new superconductors → TaS₂
 - TiS₂ cathode 1976 (Li anode & LiPF₆ electrolyte)
- Prof. 1988 now (Binghamton University, New York)
- Scopus (337 publ; 21 000 citations)





John B. Goodenough (born 1922 Germany/USA)

- BSc 1943 (Yale University, Mathematics)
- PhD 1952 (University of Chicago, Physics)
- Research team leader 1952-1976 (MIT Lincoln Laboratory)
 - Goodenough-Kanamori rules (magnetism)
 - random access memory (computers)
- Prof/Head 1976-1986 (Univ. Oxford, Inorganic Chemistry)
 - Li_xCoO₂ cathode 1980 (LiMn₂O₄ cathode 1986)
- Prof. 1986 now (University of Texas at Austin)
 - LiFePO₄ 1996
- e.g. Japan Prize 2001, Enrico Fermi Award 2009, National Medal of Science 2011, Draper Prize 2014, Welch Award 2017, Copley Medal 2019
- Scopus (887 publ.; 85 000 citations)



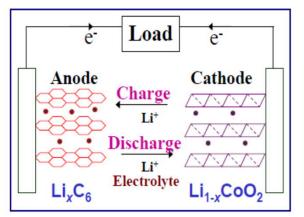


Akira Yoshino (born 1948 Japan)

- MSc 1972 (Kyoto University)
- Asahi Kasei Co. 1972 now:
 - Carbon-based anode 1985 (with LiCoO₂ cathode)
 - Safety tests!
- Commercialization: Sony 1991
- PhD 2005 (Osaka University)
- Prof. 2017 now (Meijo University, Nagoya)
- Scopus (17 publ; 750 citations)

ACTIVE MATERIALS & REACTIONS in Li-ion Battery

- Rechargable (= secondary) battery: charged hundreds/thousands times
- No extensive chemical reactions (which would quickly destroy the battery)
- Reversible intercalation of Li⁺ ions within anode & cathode materials
- Graphite anode & LiCoO₂ cathode: layered crystal structures
- Upon charging: LiCoO₂ → LixCoO₂ (how far reaction can occur ?)
- Unwanted reaction between graphite and liquid electrolyte
 - → SEI (Solid-Electrolyte Interphase)



EC: ethylene carbonate

DEC: dimethyl carbonate

Cell: (-) C | LiPF₆-(EC+DEC) | LiCoO₂ (+)

Cathode: $LiCoO_2 \stackrel{C}{\longleftarrow} Li_{1-x}CoO_2 + xLi^+ + xe^-$

Anode: $6C + xLi^+ + xe^- \stackrel{C}{\rightleftharpoons} Li_xC_6$

Total: $\text{LiCoO}_2 + 6\text{C} \stackrel{\text{C}}{\rightleftharpoons} \text{Li}_{1-x}\text{CoO}_2 + \text{Li}_x\text{C}_6$

PRESENT Li-ion battery MATERIAL VARIETY

(under intense research)

CATHODE LiCoO₂

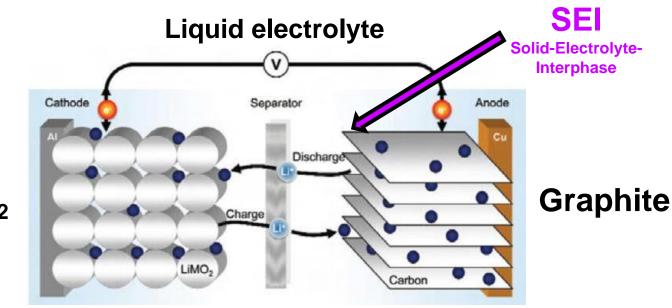
Li(Co,Ni,Mn)O₂ (raw mat., perfor.), LiMn₂O₄, LiFePO₄ (safety)

ANODE Graphite

Silicon (energy density), Li₄Ti₅O₁₂ (safety)

ELECTRO- LiPF₆ + ethylene carbonate solution

LYTE Solid electrolytes (safety)



LiCoO₂

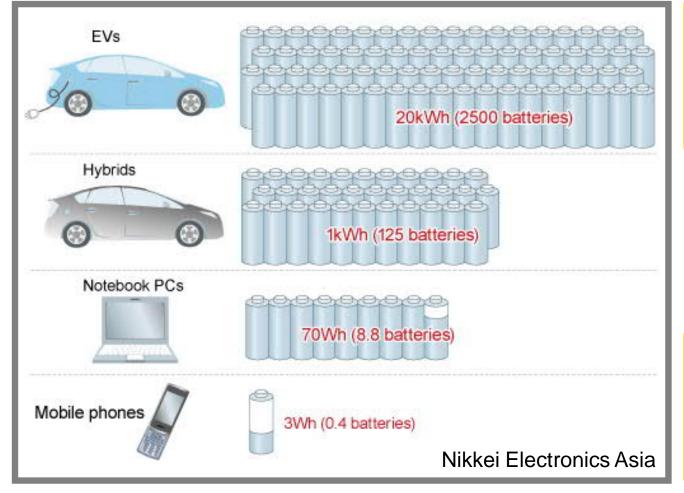
SOME MATERIAL ISSUES (to be solved/understood)

- Current state-of-the-art Li-ion battery was developed already 40 years ago and was commercialized 30 years ago
- Materials/performance already mostly finetuned/optimized, without major changes compared to the original material components (despite the unprecedented research & development investments world-wide)
- CRITICAL RAW MATERIALS for Li and Co (NOT to forget graphite!)
- SAFETY: charged hundreds/thousands times
- No extensive chemical reactions (which would quickly destroy the battery)
- Reversible intercalation of Li⁺ ions within anode & cathode materials
- Graphite anode & LiCoO₂ cathode: layered crystal structures
- Upon charging: LiCoO₂ → LixCoO₂ (how far reaction can occur ?)
- Unwanted reaction between graphite and liquid electrolyte → SEI layer
- Possible future directions: Co → Ni (Mn, Al); Li → Na, Mg, Al; Liquid electrolyte → Solid electrolyte; Protecting/barrier layers; Li-S; Li-air; Organic materials; Structural battery, ...
- Current recycling level: Lithium ca. 1 %, Cobalt some tens of %





ELECTRIC CAR
BATTERY SYSTEM
10 000 times larger
energy capacity
compared to cell phone



Car battery 600 kg

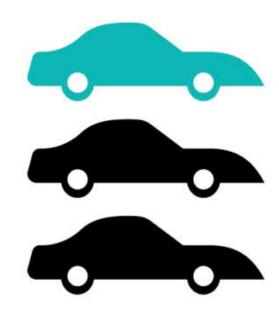
- 8 kg Li
- 7 kg Co
- 50 kg Ni

Cell phone 130 g

- 3 g Li
- 7 g Cc
- 3 g Ni



One vehicle out of three electric car by 2030?



Bloomberg New Energy Finance 2017

Lithium & cobalt needed tens if not hundreds time more to fulfill the European carbon neutrality targets

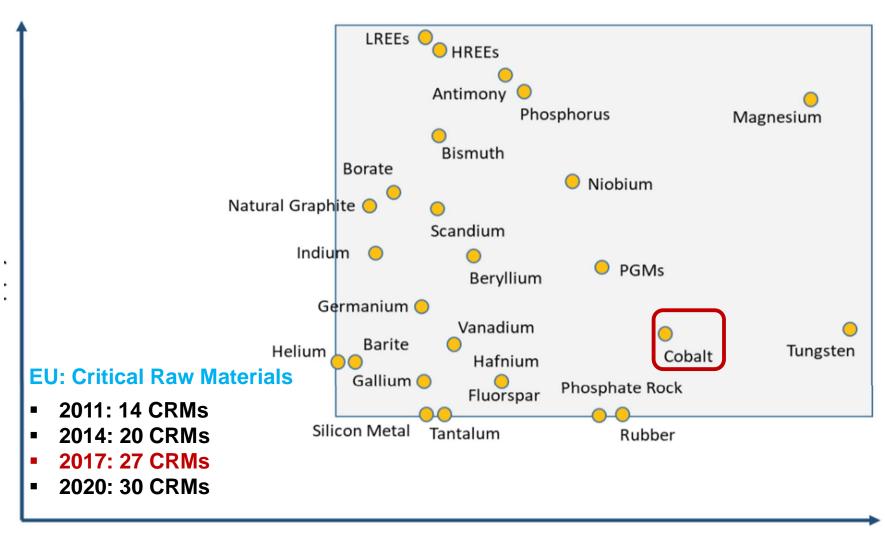


More than 60 % of cobalt in the world is mined in Republic of Congo (mostly in Chinese ownership)





Cobolt mining place in Congo close to Kasulo. Valokuvat: Siddharth Kara



Economic Importance

2020 Critical Raw Materials (new as compared to 2017 in bold)

Antimony Hafnium Phosphorus

Baryte Heavy Rare Earth Elements Scandium

Beryllium Light Rare Earth Elements Silicon metal

Bismuth Indium Tantalum

Borate Magnesium Tungsten

Cobalt Natural Graphite Vanadium

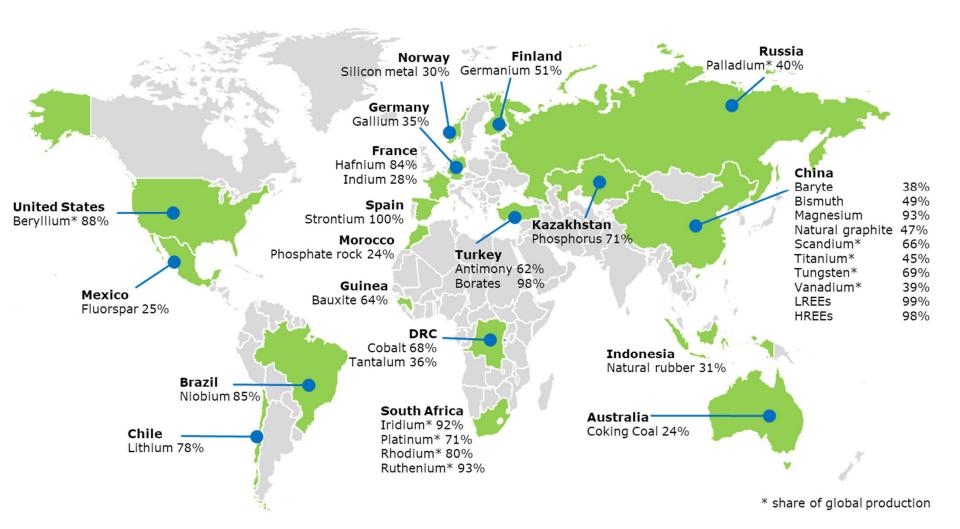
Coking Coal Natural Rubber Bauxite

Fluorspar Niobium Lithium

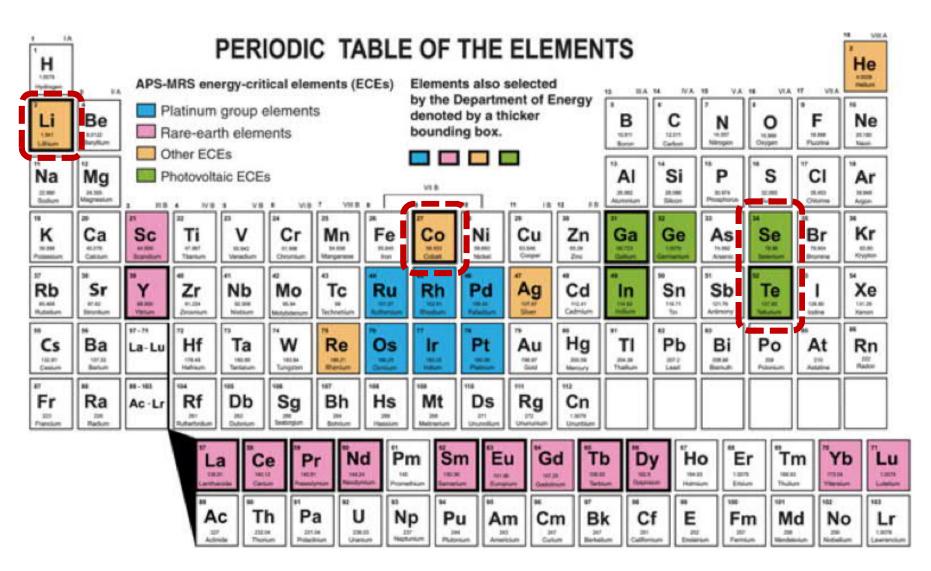
Gallium Platinum Group Metals Titanium

Germanium Phosphate rock Strontium

FROM WHERE the EU CRM materials originate?



ENERGY CRITICAL ELEMENTS



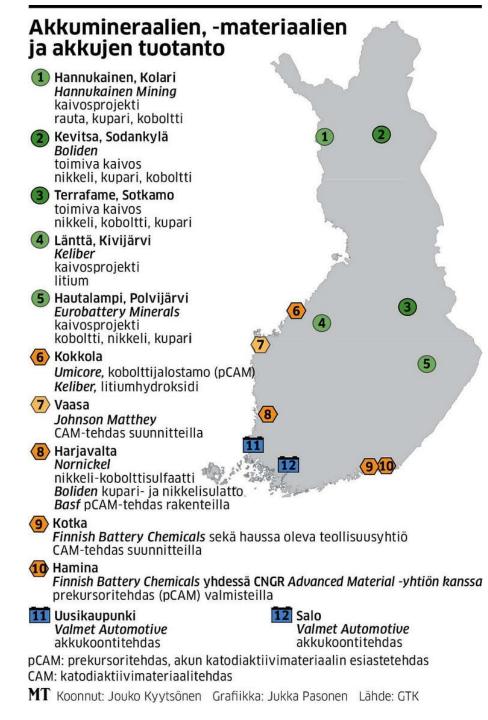
Materials Research Society (MRS), USA

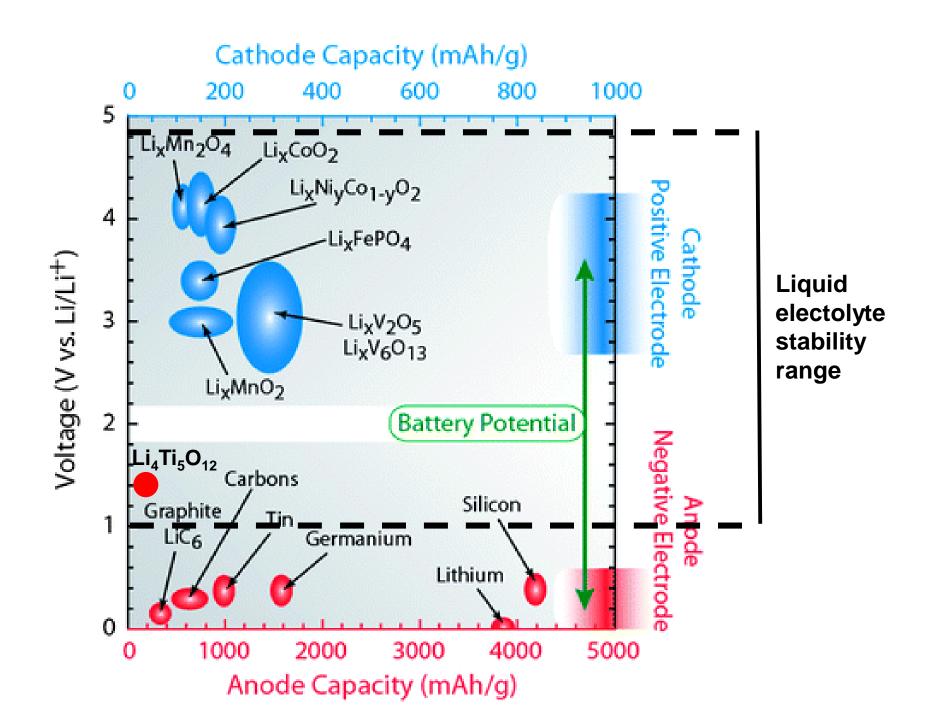
Battery metals in Finland

- Finland is the only European country to have activities related to all battery metals
- Mining: Ni, Cu & Co
- Refining: Co (>10%), Ni & Cu
- Planned mining/refining: Li

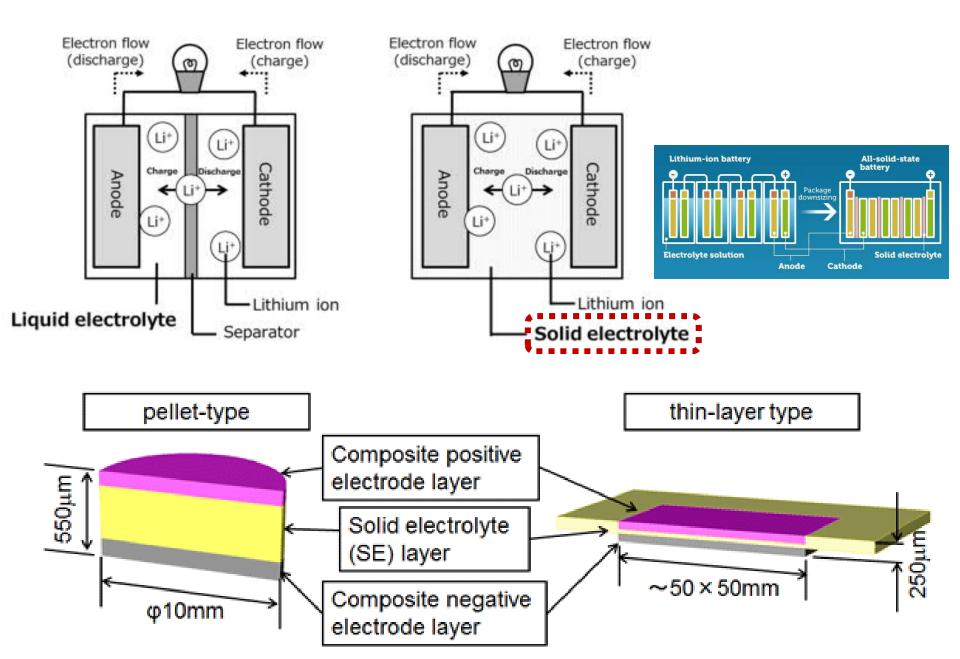
Battery Chain is already strong in Finland; however, no battery manufacturing (yet).

Cathode material manufacturing is expected in Kotka, precursor manufacturing in Hamina, and in Harjavalta BASF is planning to start the biggest battery material production in European scale.





SOLID ELECTROLYTES



SOLID ELECTROLYTE

- ❖ To address the two major problems of present liquid organic electrolytes: flammability and limited electrochemical stability (reactivity with anode materials)
- High ionic conductivity & Low electronic conductivity
- **❖ Challenge:** Li⁺-ion conductivity comparable to present liquid electrolytes (10⁻³ S/cm)

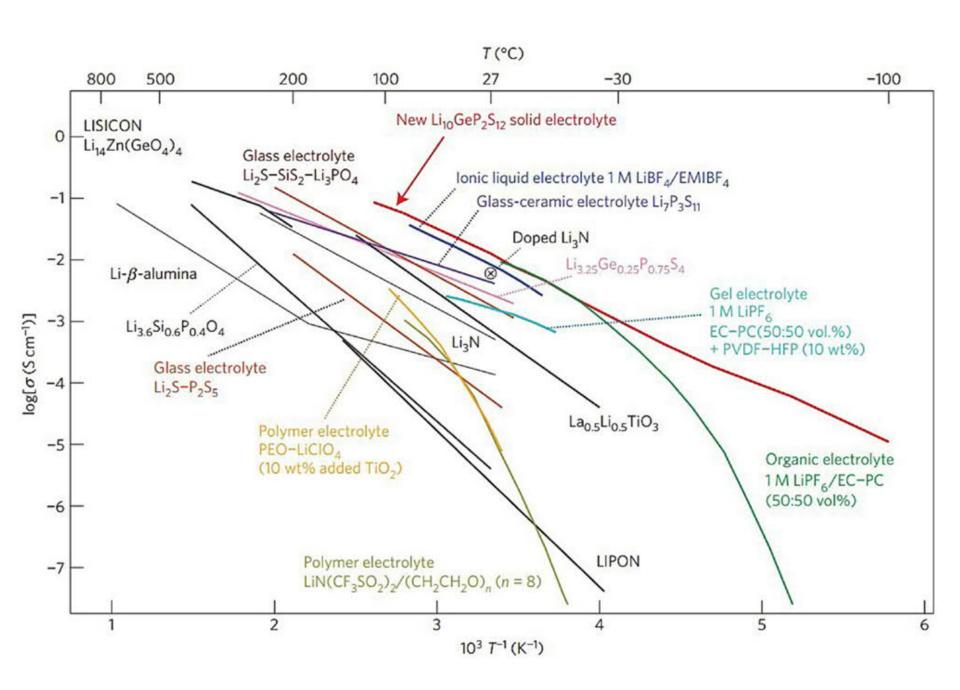
PROS

- Non-flammable → Safety
- Non-reactive with electrode materials (no SEI layers)
- Possibility to use Li metal anode
- Possibility to use >5 V cathode materials → Higher energy density
- Wider operation temperature range
- Simpler cell structure, no need e.g. for an expensive separator
- No risk for electrolyte leakage
- Simpler manufacturing process (in air) → Lower cost

CONS

- Heavier
- Integration (interface contacts) with the electrodes

Design principles for solid-state lithium superionic conductors, Nat. Mater. 14, 1026 (2015).



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Liquid electrolytes

Carbonate: EC, DEC, PC, DMC

Ether: DOL, DME

Fluorinated carbonate: F-EC, F-EPE

Ceramic electrolytes

LIPON Li₃N

Perovskite: Li_{0.34}La_{0.51}TiO_{2.94} LISICON: Li_{3.5}Si_{0.5}P_{0.5}O₄ Argyrodite: Li₆PS₅Cl

Garnet: Li₂La₃Zr₂O₁₂

NASICON: Na_{3.3}Zr_{1.7}La_{6.3}Si₂PO₁₂ Sulfide: Li₂S-P₂S₅, Li₁₀GeP₂S₁₂ Alumina: Na-β"-alumina

Solid polymer electrolytes (SPEs)

PEO-based SPEs

Single ion conducting SPEs

Hybrid/composite electrolytes

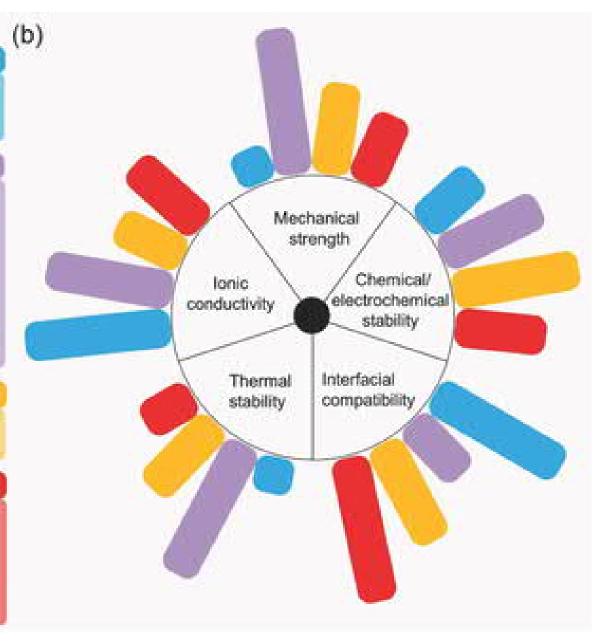
Gel polymer electrolytes High-salt electrolytes

IL-nanoparticle hybrid electrolytes

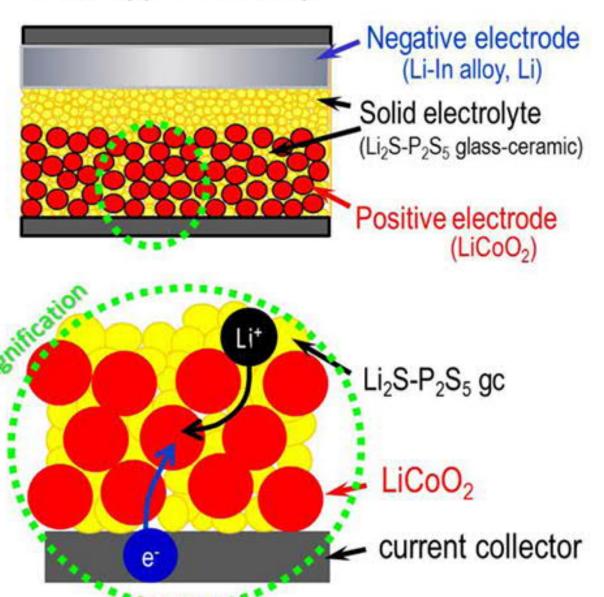
SPEs with inorganic fillers

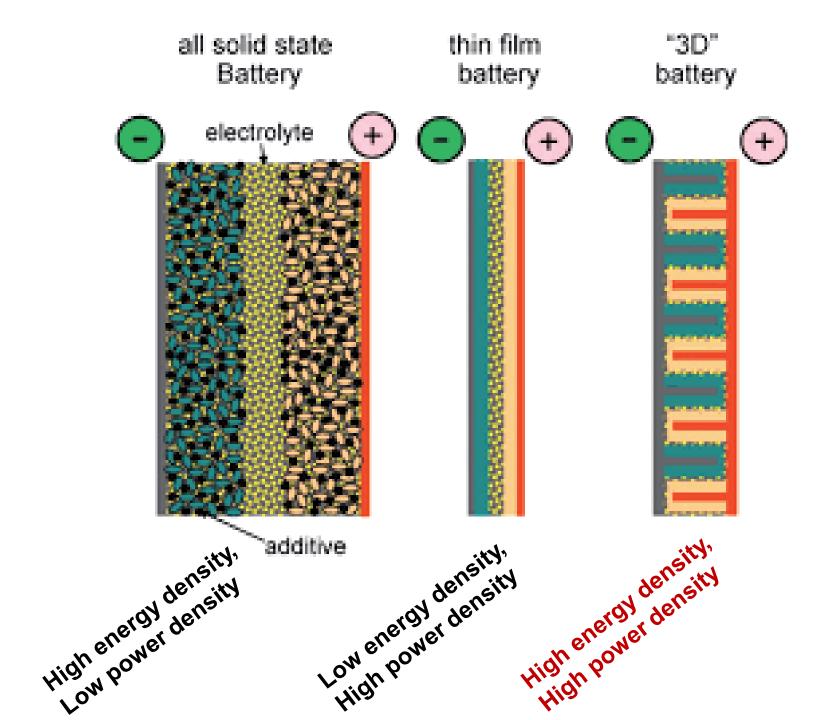
Polymer-nanoparticle hybrid electrolytes

Polymer-ceramic composite electrolytes



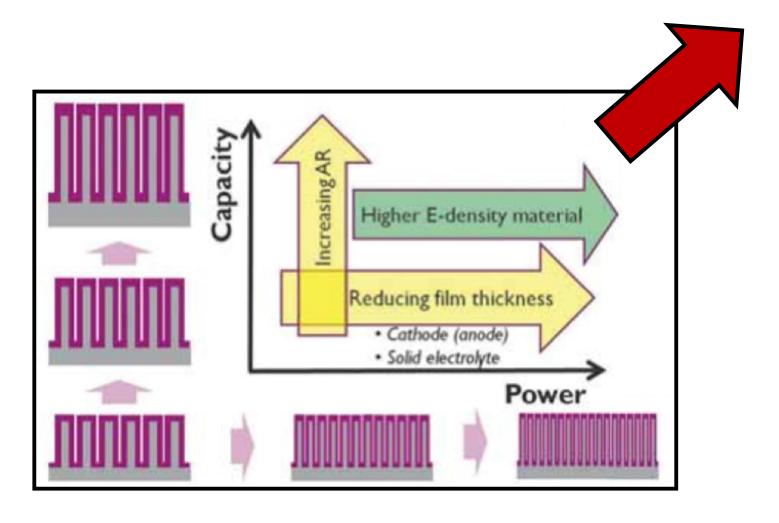
Bulk-type battery





ALD

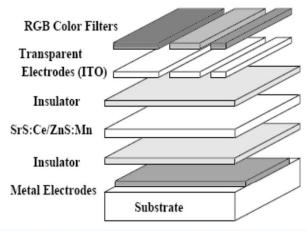
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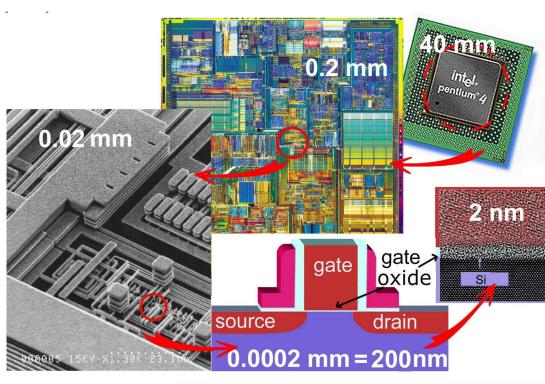


Atomic Layer Deposition (ALD)

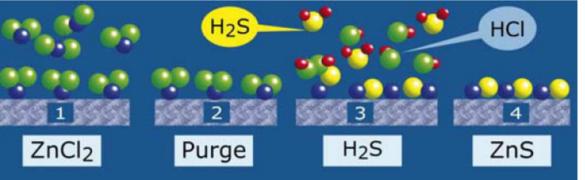
- Advanced gas-phase thin-film tec
- Self-limiting surface reactions
- Pin-hole free
- Large-area homogeneous
- Conformal

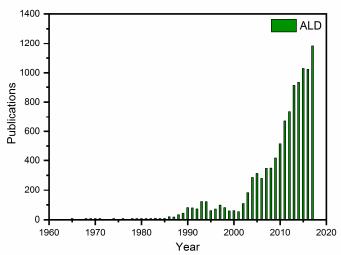
Electroluminescent display



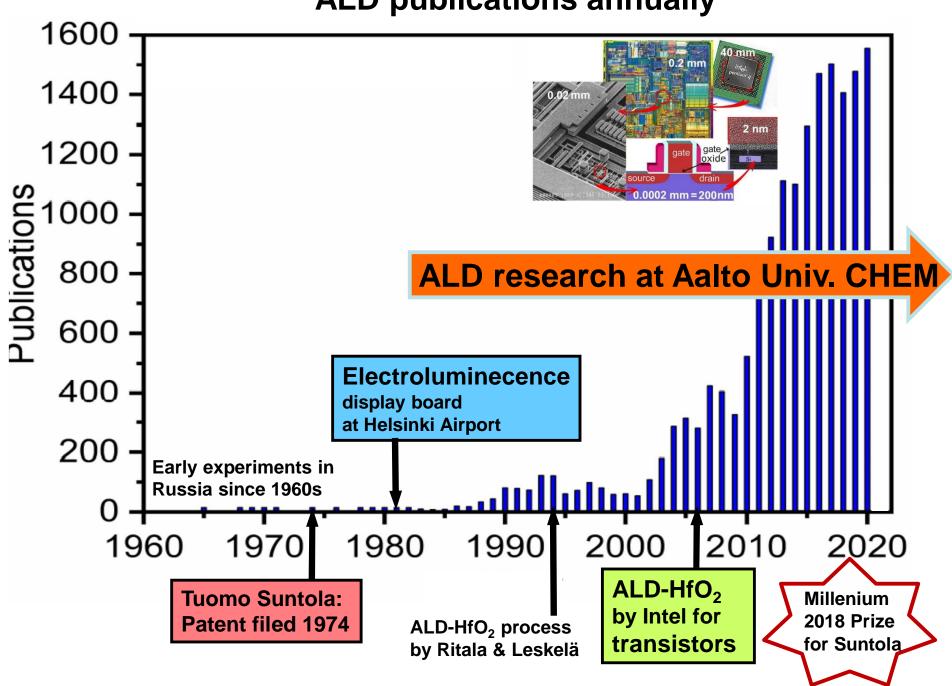


MOSFET transistor





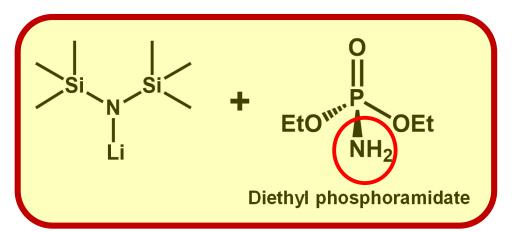
ALD publications annually

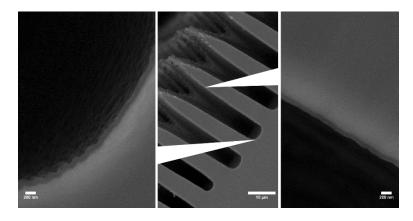


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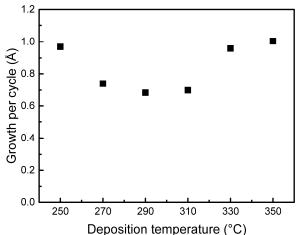
- LiPON: Lithium phosphorus oxynitride Li_xPO_{3-v}N_z
- Amorhous intermediate between crystalline LiPO₃ and Li₂PO₂N
- (Most) promising solid-state electrolyte for thin-film Li-ion microbattery
- Ionic conductivity greatly enhanced by N doping (up to 10⁻⁶ S cm⁻¹)

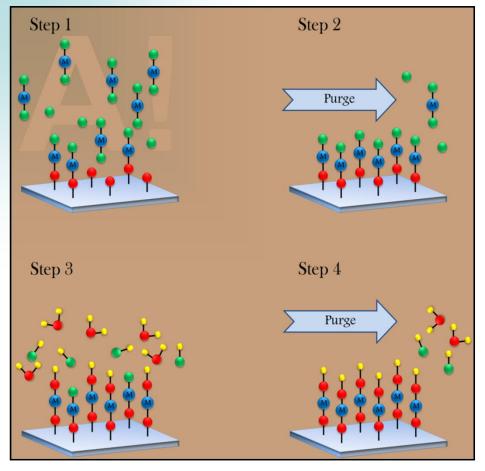


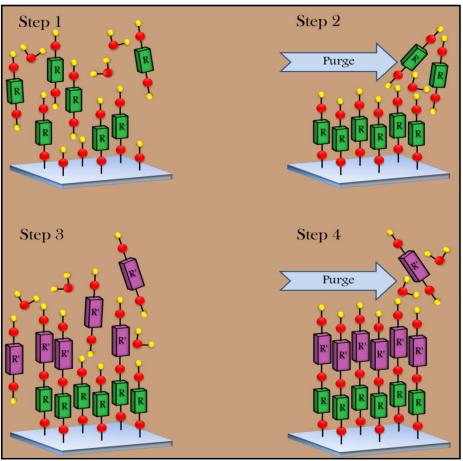


RBS-NRA	RT ionic cond.
$Li_{0.90}PO_{3-y}N_{0.55}$ $Li_{0.94}PO_{3-y}N_{0.60}$	0.9 x 10 ⁻⁷ S cm ⁻¹ 6.6 x 10 ⁻⁷ S cm ⁻¹

M. Nisula, Y. Shindo, H. Koga & M. Karppinen, *Chem. Mater.* **27**, 6987 (2015).







ALD (Atomic Layer Deposition)

EPÄORGAANISET OHUTKALVOT

MLD (Molecular Layer Deposition)

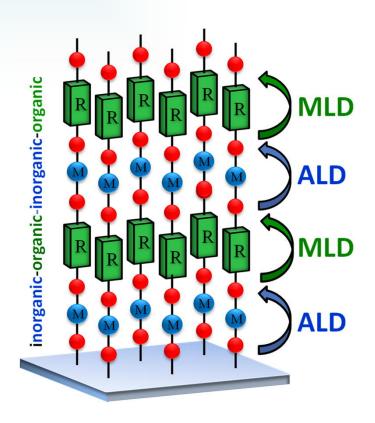
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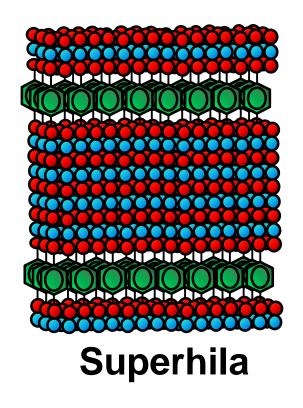


MLD: younger sister of **ALD**

Inorganic-Organic thin films

with combined ALD / MLD technique

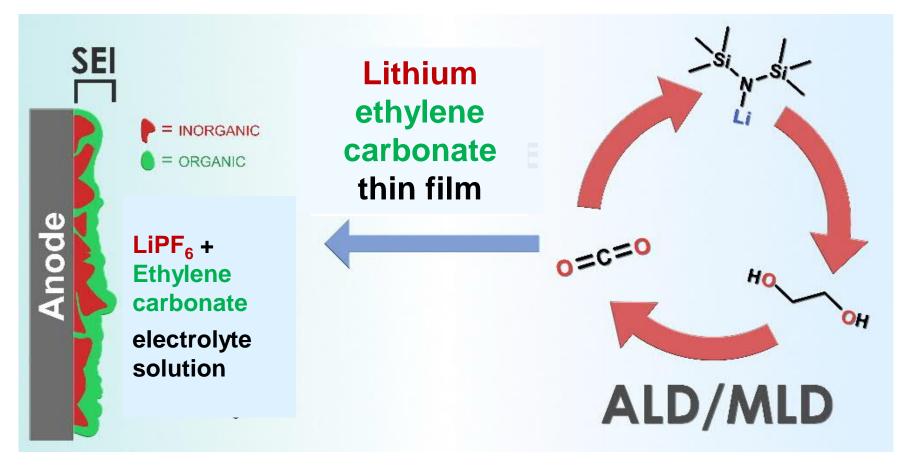






ALD + **MLD** → **HYBRID** THIN FILMS

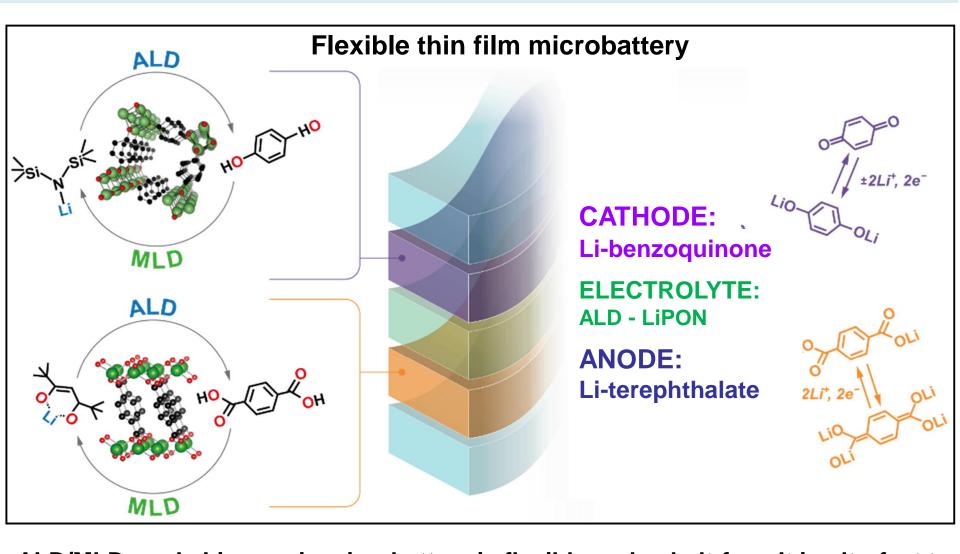
ALD + **MLD**: Artificial SEI-layer for Li-ion battery



SEI (Solid Electrolyte Interphase)

- SEI-layer forms naturally/unavoidably upon charging/discharging on top of the anode surface due to the unwanted reactions between anode and liquid electrolyte
- SEI protects the anode from further reactions (requirement: homogeneous and pinhole-free), but it consumes Li-ions when it forms
- ALD/MLD: high-quality artificial barrier coating which esembles the natural SEI layer

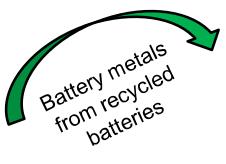
ALD + MLD: Metal-saving Li-organic microbattery



ALD/MLD-made Li-organic microbattery is flexible and cobalt-free. It is ultrafast to charge, but the problem is the low energy capacity. Whole battery structure can be deposited active-layer by active-layer in a same reactor, without additives.

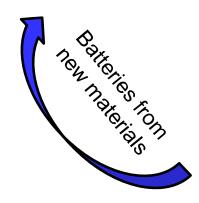


Prof. Mari Lundström **Hydrometallurgy**

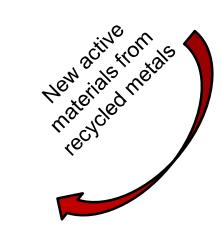


Prof. Maarit Karppinen Material chemistry









Prof. Tanja Kallio **Electrochemistry**

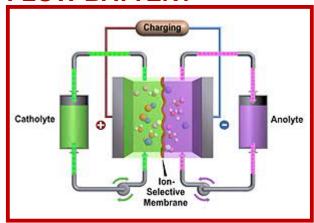


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LITHIUM-ION BATTERY

Cathode Separator Anode Discharge Charge Carbon

FLOW BATTERY



HYDROGEN FUEL CELL



ENERG **STORAG**

SOLAR CELL



WIND POWER



THERMOELECTRICS

ENERGY HARVESTING

