



## Public-Private Partnerships and Energy Storage for the Smart Grid

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### *Outline*

Introduction to JCESR

Challenges, Vision, Mission, Legacies

A New Paradigm

Energy Storage for the Smart Grid

Public Private Partnerships

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*Cross Sector Impact of the Smart Grid  
Government University Industry Research Roundtable  
National Academy of Sciences  
Washington DC  
February 10, 2015*

# Further Reading

In Press: *Physics of Sustainable Energy III: Using Energy Efficiently and Producing It Renewably*, edited by R. H. Knapp et al, AIP Conference Proceedings (Number \*\*\*), Melville, New York, 2014.

## The Joint Center for Energy Storage Research: A New Paradigm for Battery Research and Development

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**Abstract.** The Joint Center for Energy Storage Research (JCESR) seeks transformational change in transportation and the electricity grid driven by next generation high performance, low cost electricity storage. To pursue this transformative vision JCESR introduces a new paradigm for battery research: integrating discovery science, battery design, research prototyping and manufacturing collaboration in a single highly interactive organization. This new paradigm will accelerate the pace of discovery and innovation and reduce the time from conceptualization to commercialization. JCESR applies its new paradigm exclusively to beyond-lithium-ion batteries, a vast, rich and largely unexplored frontier. This review presents JCESR's motivation, vision, mission, intended outcomes or legacies and first year accomplishments.

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### OVERVIEW

Transportation and the electricity grid account for two-thirds of U.S. energy use [1]. Each of these sectors is poised for transformation driven by high performance, low cost electricity storage. The Joint Center for Energy Storage Research (JCESR) pursues discovery, design, prototyping and commercialization of next generation batteries that will realize these transformational changes. High performance, low cost electricity storage will transform transportation through widespread deployment of electric vehicles; it will transform the electricity grid through high penetration of renewable wind and solar electricity and a new era of grid operation free of the century-old constraint of matching instantaneous electricity generation to instantaneous demand. It is unusual to find transformational change in the two largest energy sectors driven by a single innovation: high performance, low cost energy storage.

These transformative outcomes for transportation and the electricity grid require electricity storage with five



#### Video: Employee Spotlight

Chemical Engineer and Postdoctoral Researcher Damla Eroglu seeks to create new breakthrough energy storage technology. [Learn more](#)



#### JCESR Accomplishments

JCESR Director, George Crabtree, published a detailed description of JCESR accomplishments. [Learn more](#)

#### Events

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|---------------|---|
| October<br>21 | Event Wrap Up of JCESR Symposium: Integrating Energy Storage in the Grid <a href="#">Learn more</a> |
| November<br>5 | NY-BEST JCESR Technical Conference Buffalo, New York <a href="#">Learn more</a>                     |

## Webpage

<http://www.jcesr.org/>

## Review Article

<https://anl.app.box.com/s/wixxv7f3mg9ev3t926rc>

<http://arxiv.org/abs/1411.7042>



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# Energy Storage Challenges

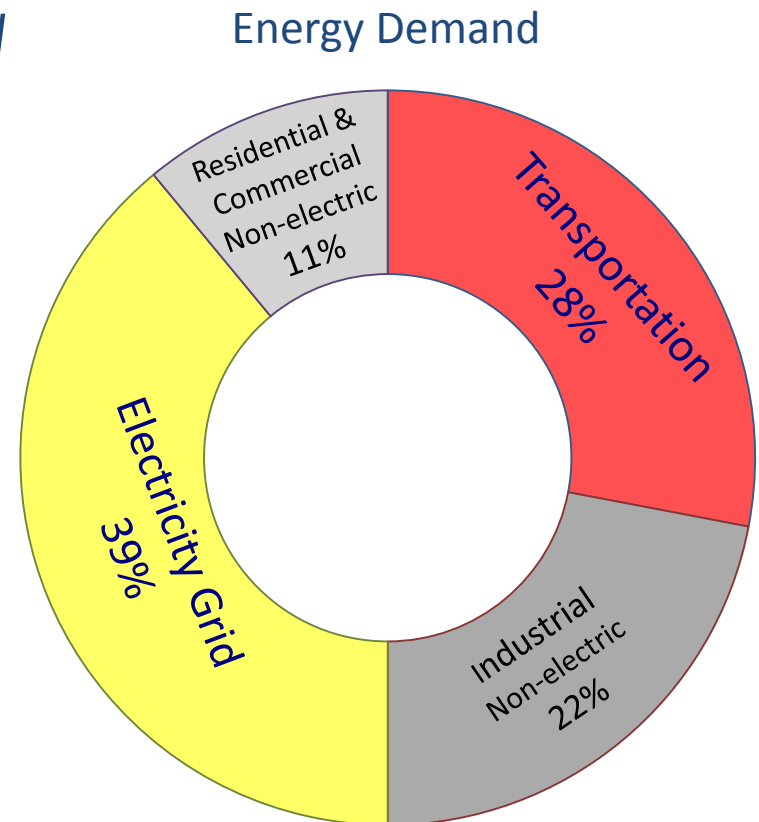
Two biggest energy uses poised for transformational change

Transportation 28%

Foreign oil → domestic electricity  
Reduce energy use  
Reduce carbon emissions

Electricity 39%

Coal → Gas → Wind and Solar  
Greater reliability, resiliency, flexibility  
Replace “just in time” with inventory



2013

EIA Monthly Energy Review Table 2.1  
(May 2014)

*The bottleneck for both transitions is  
inexpensive, high performance electrical energy storage*

# JCESR Has Transformative Goals

## ***Vision***

Transform transportation and the electricity grid with high performance, low cost energy storage

## ***Mission***

Deliver electrical energy storage with five times the energy density and one-fifth the cost of today's commercial batteries within five years

## ***Legacies***

- **A library of the fundamental science** of the materials and phenomena of energy storage at atomic and molecular levels
- **Two prototypes, one for transportation and one for the electricity grid**, that, when scaled up to manufacturing, have the potential to meet JCESR's transformative goals
- **A new paradigm for battery R&D** that integrates discovery science, battery design, research prototyping and manufacturing collaboration in a single highly interactive organization

TRANSPORTATION

**\$100/kWh**

400 Wh/kg 400 Wh/L

800 W/kg 800 W/L

1000 cycles

80% DoD C/5

**15 yr** calendar life

EUCAR

GRID

**\$100/kWh**

95% round-trip efficiency at C/5 rate

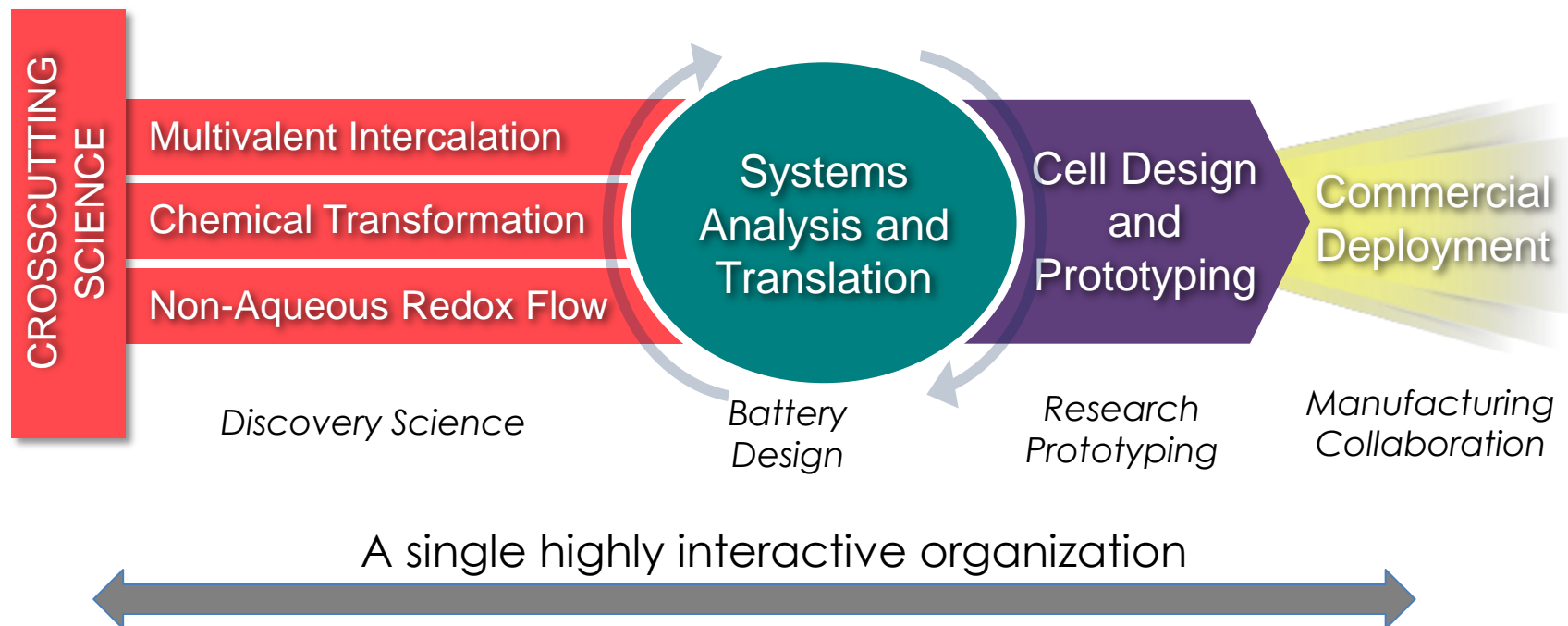
7000 cycles C/5

**20 yr** calendar life

Safety equivalent to a natural gas turbine

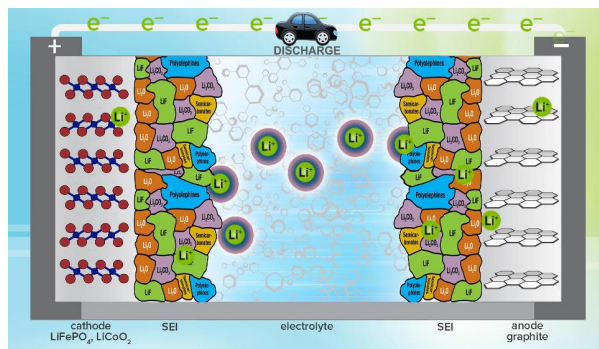


# JCESR Creates a New Paradigm for Battery R&D



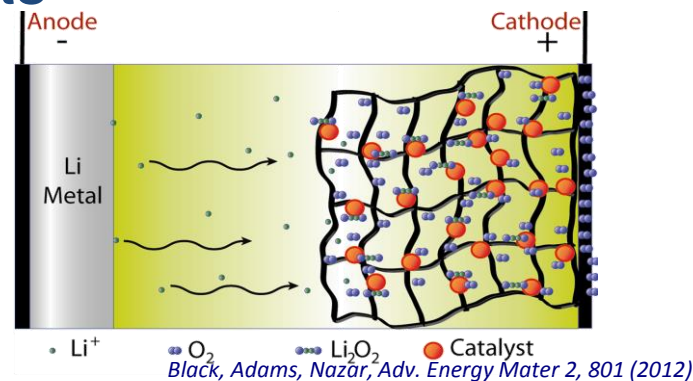
- Focus exclusively on transformative technologies beyond lithium ion
- 14 institutional partners + five funded collaborators embrace the challenge
- New tools to search the large, rich and unexplored beyond lithium ion space
- Pursue three storage concepts with 50-100 possible battery incarnations

# JCESR's Beyond Lithium-ion Concepts



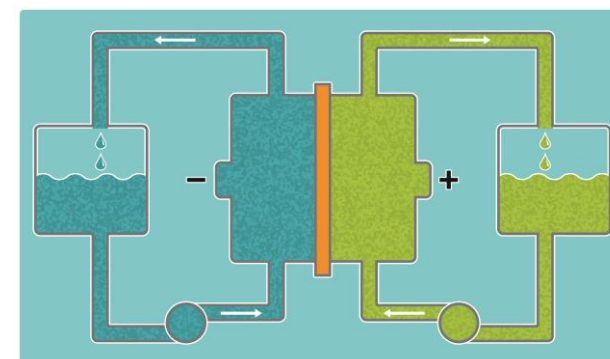
## Lithium-ion "Rocking Chair"

$\text{Li}^+$  cycles between anode and cathode, storing and releasing energy



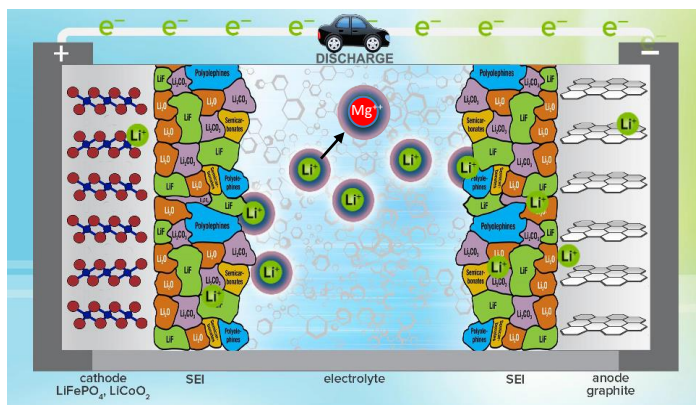
## Chemical Transformation

Replace intercalation with high energy chemical reaction:  $\text{Li-S}$ ,  $\text{Li-O}$ ,  $\text{Na-S}$ , ...



## Non-aqueous Redox

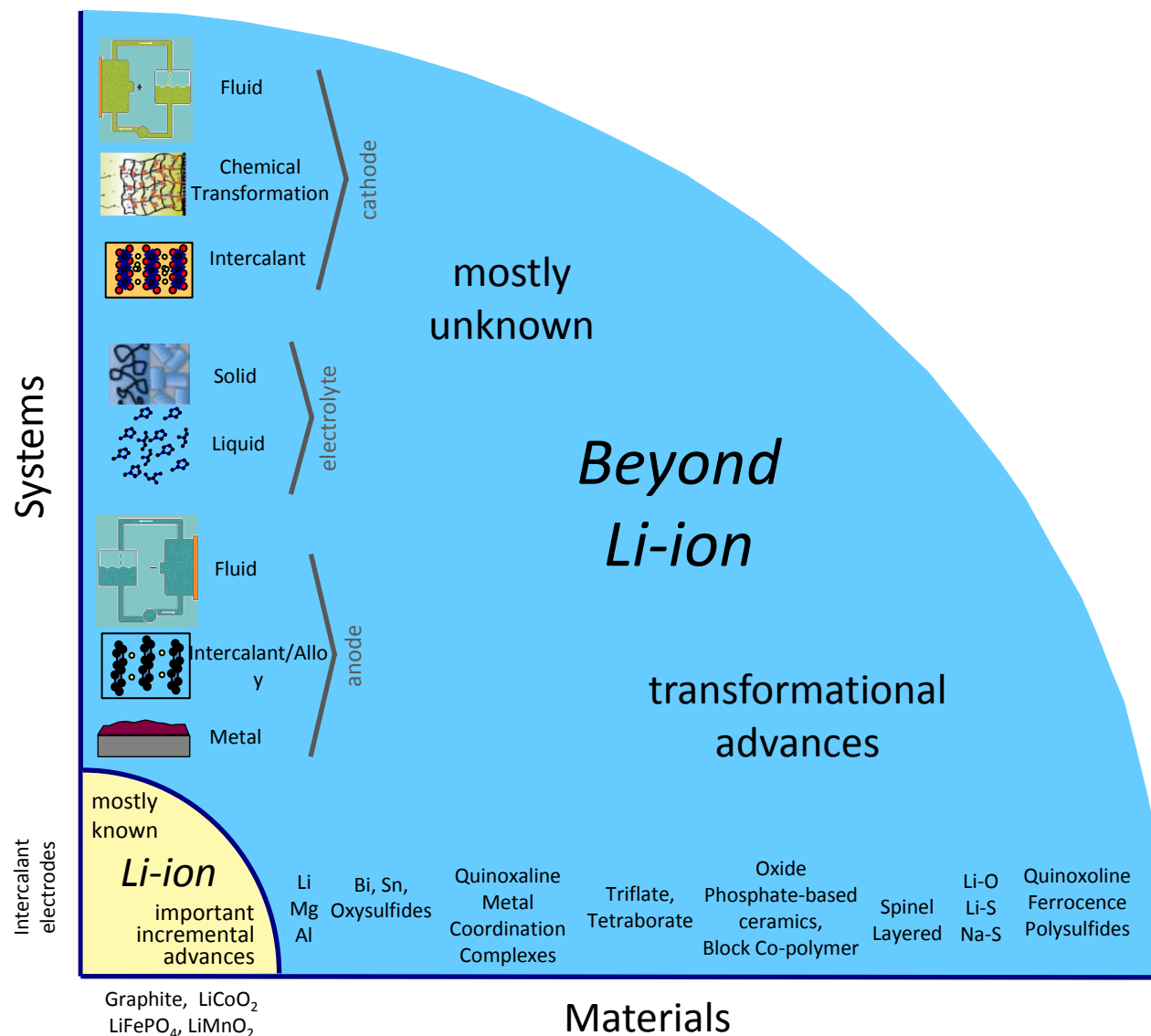
Replace solid electrodes with liquid solutions or suspensions:  
lower cost, higher capacity, greater flexibility



## Multivalent Intercalation

Replace monovalent  $\text{Li}^+$  with di- or tri-valent ions:  $\text{Mg}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Al}^{3+}$ , ...  
Double or triple capacity stored and released

# Beyond Lithium Ion Opportunity Space is Large, Unexplored and Rich





# JCESR Team and Affiliates

45 Affiliates *at launch*  
80+ Affiliates Nov 2014

Affiliates Day  
March 19, 2014

Regional Events  
Urbana Oct 21, 2014  
Buffalo Nov 5 2014

Affiliates Newsletter  
July 2014



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# Toward a Multivalent Intercalation Battery

## Challenges

Mobility of ++ ions in cathode

Solvation – desolvation

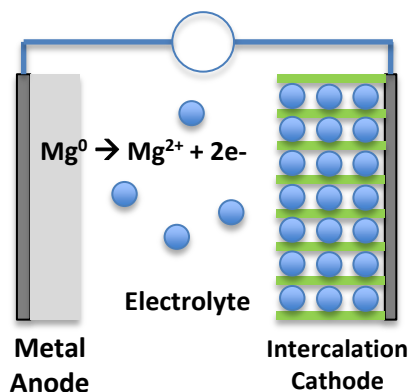
Stable electrolyte

Compatible anode, electrolyte, cathode

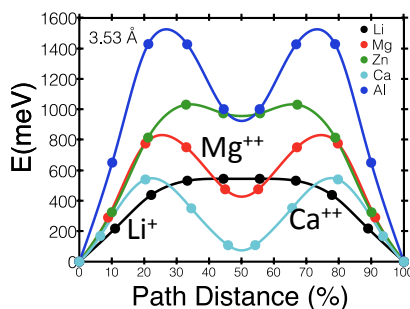
Only one demonstrated system

Mg-chloroaluminate-Mo<sub>6</sub>S<sub>8</sub>

(Aurbach 2000)



## Mobility in Mn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> Cathode



Energy barriers for MV ion diffusion in Mn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> spinel  
Materials Project

High Li<sup>+</sup> diffusion ≠ high MV diffusion

Coordination environment controls diffusion barrier

Tetrahedral → octahedral → tetrahedral

Ca<sup>++</sup> has surprisingly low mobility barrier

## Mg<sup>++</sup> Solvation Shell

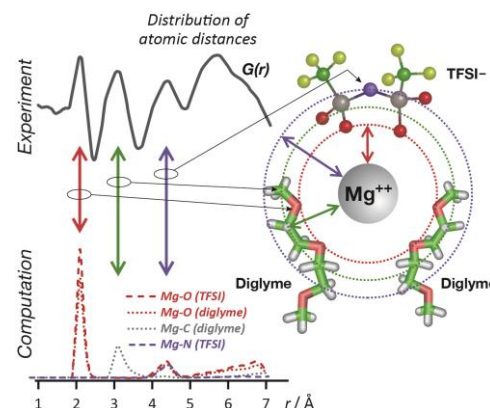
Controls

- Chemical reactions in electrolyte
- Interfacial ion exchange
- Mobility in electrolyte

Experiment: APS x-ray diffraction  
Simulation: Electrolyte Genome

Pair Distribution Function

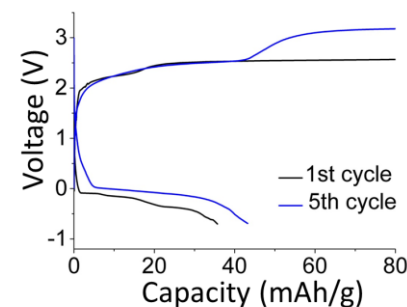
Quantifies anion presence in solvation shell



Lapidus, Rajput, Qu, Chapman, Persson and Chupas

Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys. 16, 21941 (2014)

## First Fully Functional Mg<sup>++</sup> Battery since 2000



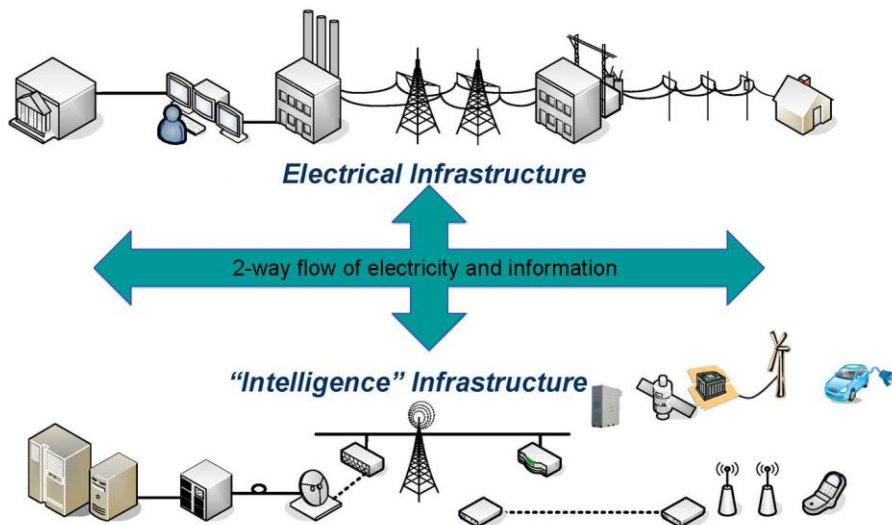
Early stage prototype

Compatible anode-electrolyte-cathode

Mg metal anode

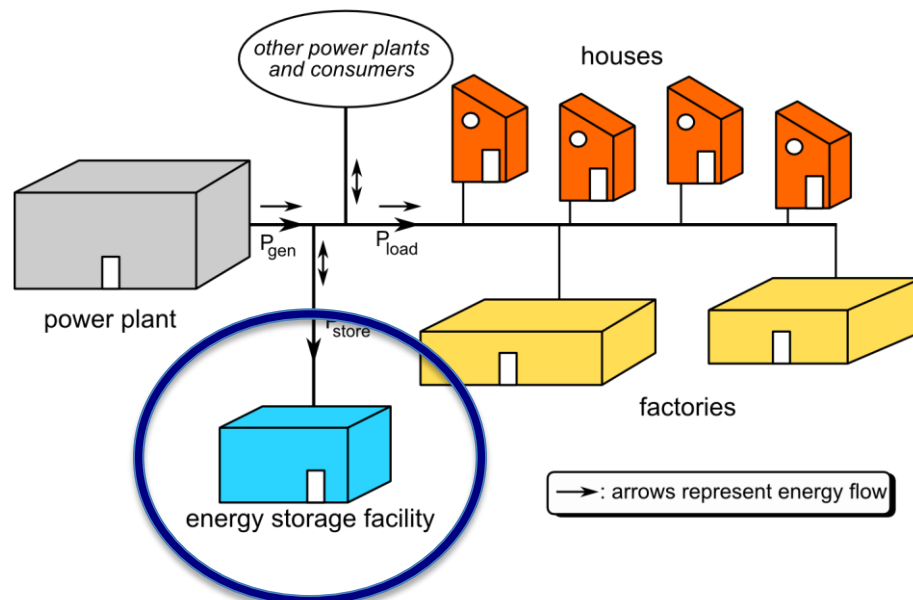
Diglyme electrolyte

V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> cathode



## Smart Grid: Two Way Information and Power Flows

## Energy Storage: Add a Third Dimension



# Energy Storage for the Smart Grid

Breaks the centuries old constraint to match  
instantaneous generation with instantaneous demand

→ Electricity management challenge and opportunity

## At Macro-Grid Scale

*Variability challenges for > 25% wind and solar*

Compensate for large generation swings

Fast response in seconds due to clouds

*Three way instead of two way power flows*

opportunity: more efficient operation

challenge: management complexity

## At Micro-Grid Scale

Generation - demand - storage managed locally

*Tailor service to customer*

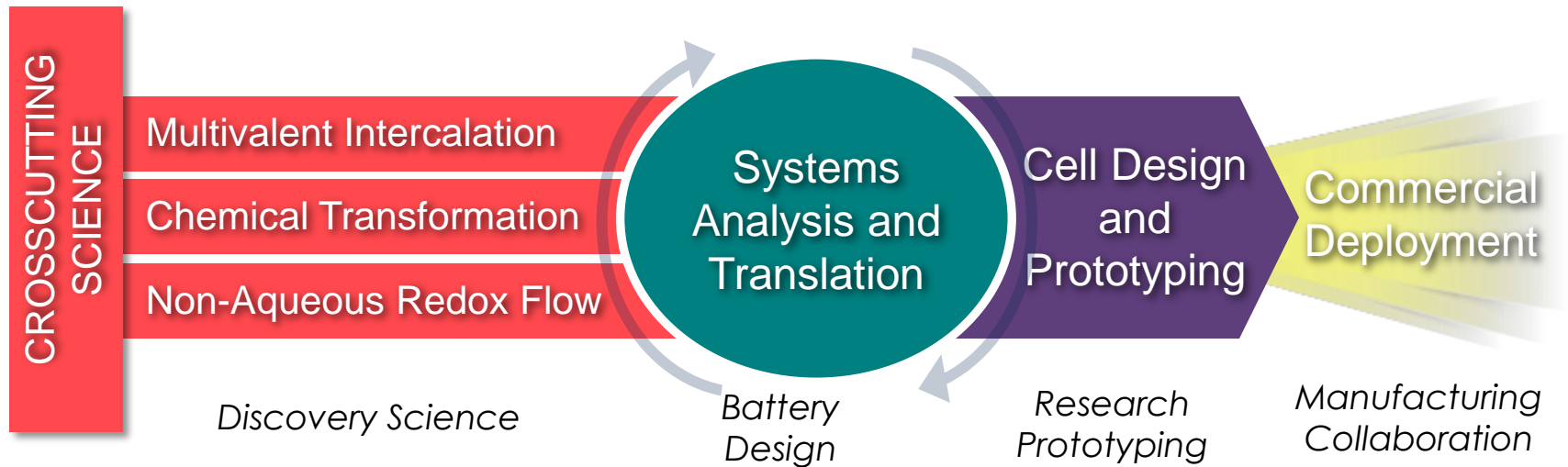
Single residence or neighborhood

Commercial buildings

Factories, university campuses, military bases

*One size does not fit all*

# Public-Private Partnerships



Focus on a single challenge of national importance

Bring all capabilities needed to address the challenge

Address challenges beyond capacity of existing organizations

*high risk or broad scope*

Clear public good

# Perspective

More on JCESR website  
[www.jcesr.org](http://www.jcesr.org)

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→ **Beyond lithium ion**

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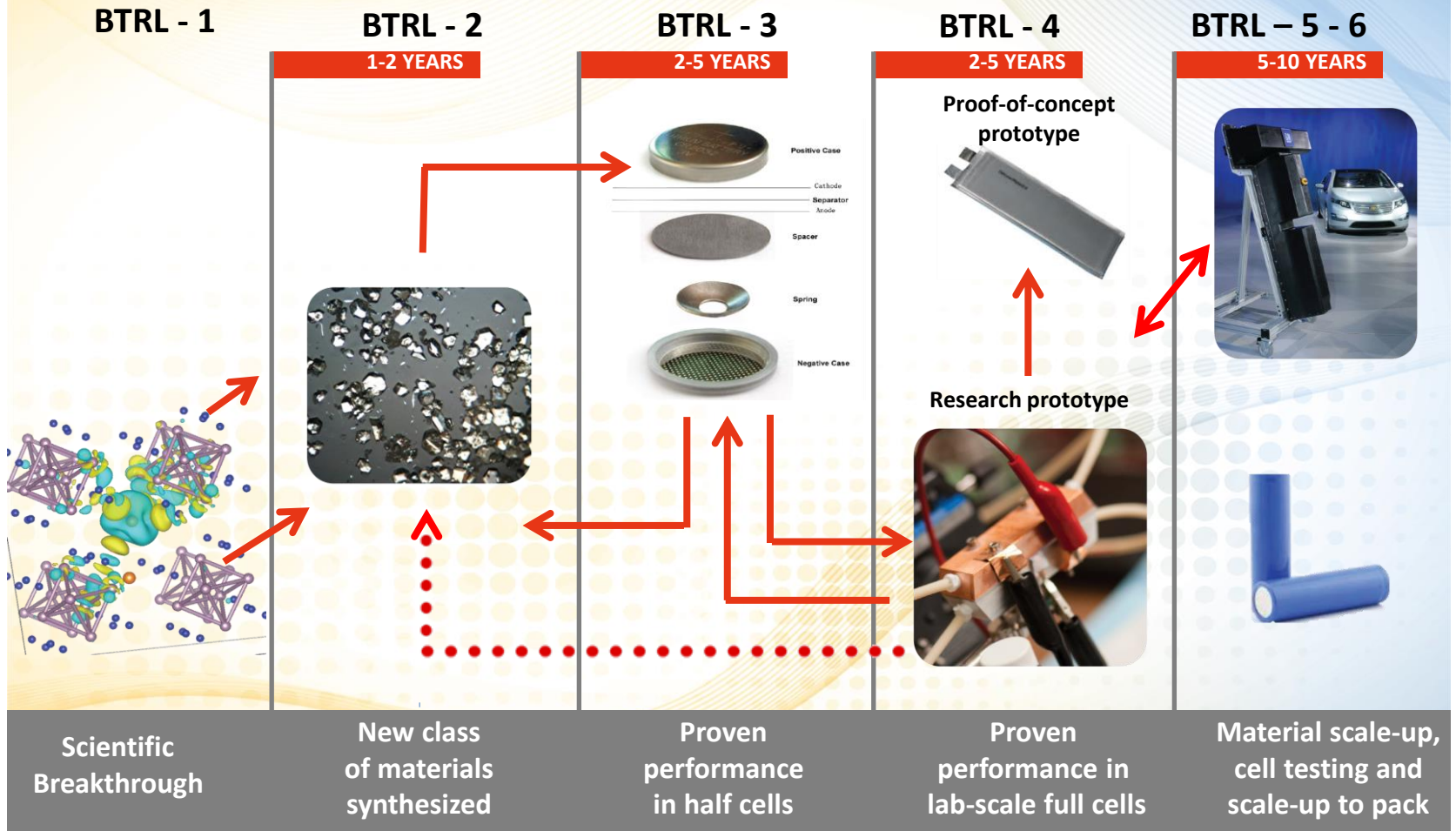
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- A bold new approach to battery R&D
- Accelerate the pace of discovery and innovation
- Bring the community to the beyond lithium-ion opportunity

# Battery Technology Readiness Level (BTRL)



Developed collaboratively with  
JCI, NASA-Glenn, TARDEC

JCESR  
"sweet spot"



# JCESR Achieves Across the Science-Manufacturing Spectrum

CROSSCUTTING  
SCIENCE

Multivalent Intercalation  
Chemical Transformation  
Non-Aqueous Redox Flow

Systems  
Analysis and  
Translation

Cell Design  
and  
Prototyping

Commercial  
Deployment

Link to Community

New IP

Infinite current collector

Industry-science collaboration

Six projects of interest to JCI

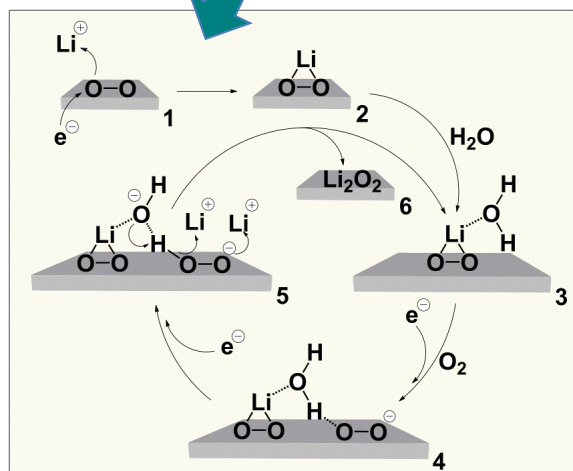
MOU with NASA-Glenn

Discovery  
Science

Battery  
Design

Research  
Prototyping

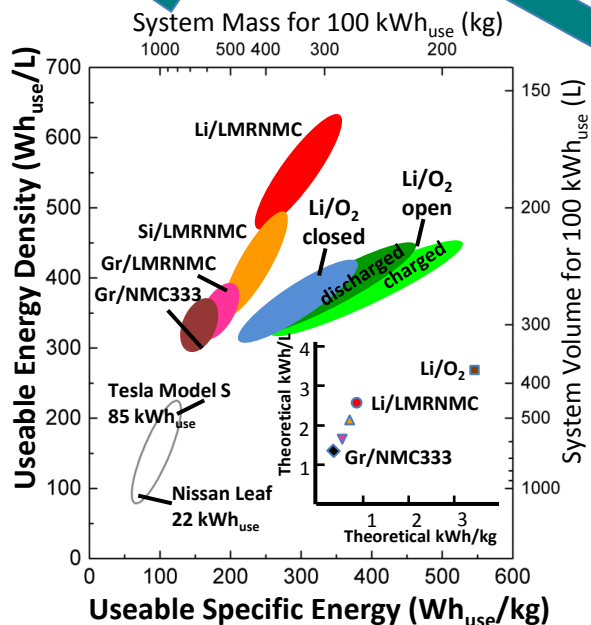
Manufacturing  
Collaboration



Trace water catalyzes lithium peroxide  
electrochemistry

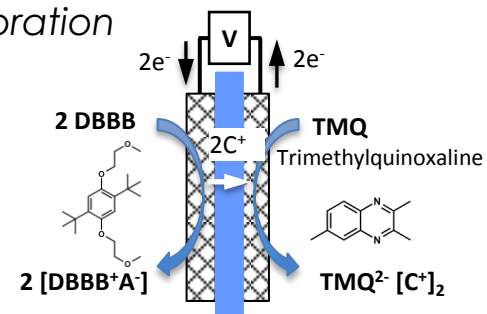
EDL+Electrolyte Genome

Jirkovský, Markovic et al, (submitted)



Quantifying the promise of Li-air batteries (with GM)

Gallagher et al, Energy and Environmental Science (2014)

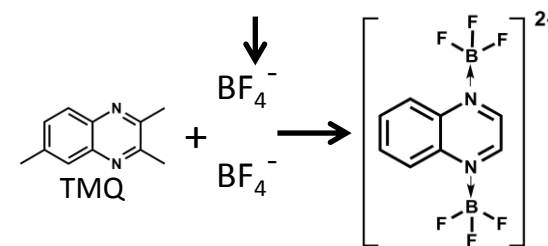


All Organic Redox Flow

Non-aqueous Redox Flow + Electrolyte Genome

Brushett, Zhang et al (MIT, ANL)

Su et al, JECS 161, A1905 ((2014)

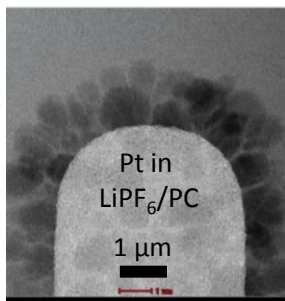


10x electrochemical activity

# Priority Research Areas

## Metal Anodes

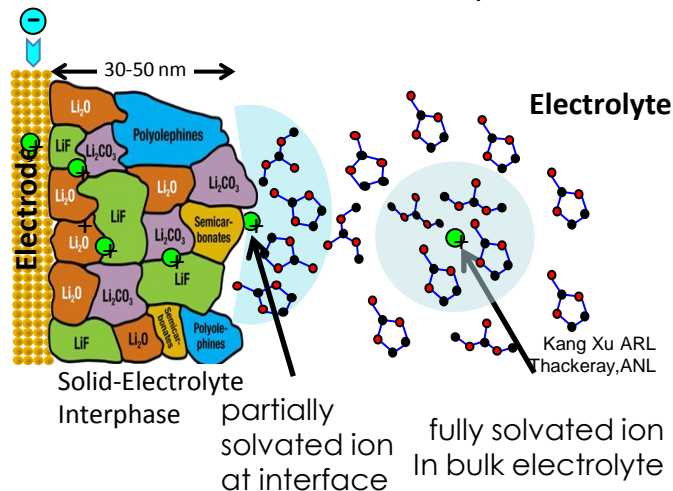
Robust surfaces over multiple dissolution/deposition



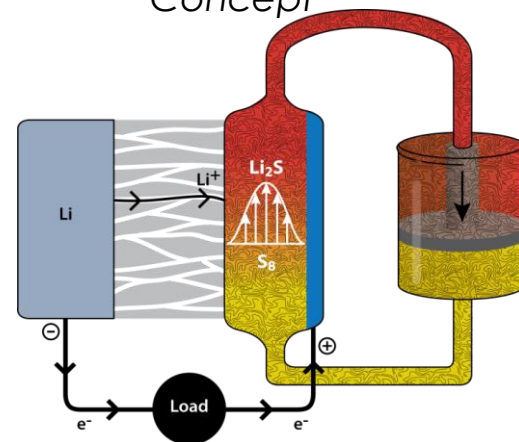
Mehdi, Browning et al (2014)

Solution/deposition dynamics, surface degradation, dendrite growth

## Solvation/de-solvation structure and transfer dynamics



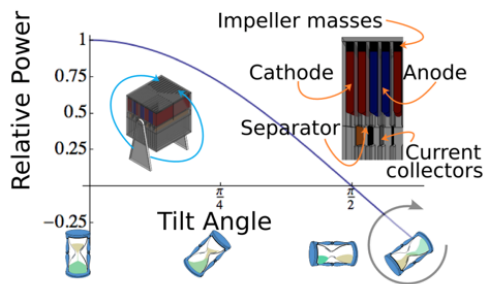
## Li-polysulfide Semi-Flow Concept



Y. Yang, G. Zheng, and Y. Cui, *Energy & Environmental Science*, 6, 1552 (2013)

## Novel Prototyping Concepts

### Gravity Induced Flow Cell

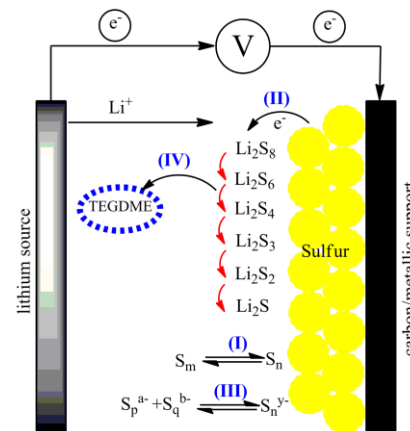


## Molecular Understanding of Reaction Pathways and Energetics

### Lithium-Sulfur Batteries

Assary, Curtiss, Moore  
*J Phys Chem C* 118, 11545 (2014)

Electrolyte Genome / EDL



Critical to battery science and technology strategies  
Rich opportunities for in situ, time-resolved, multi-modal characterization, predictive theory and multiscale modeling