

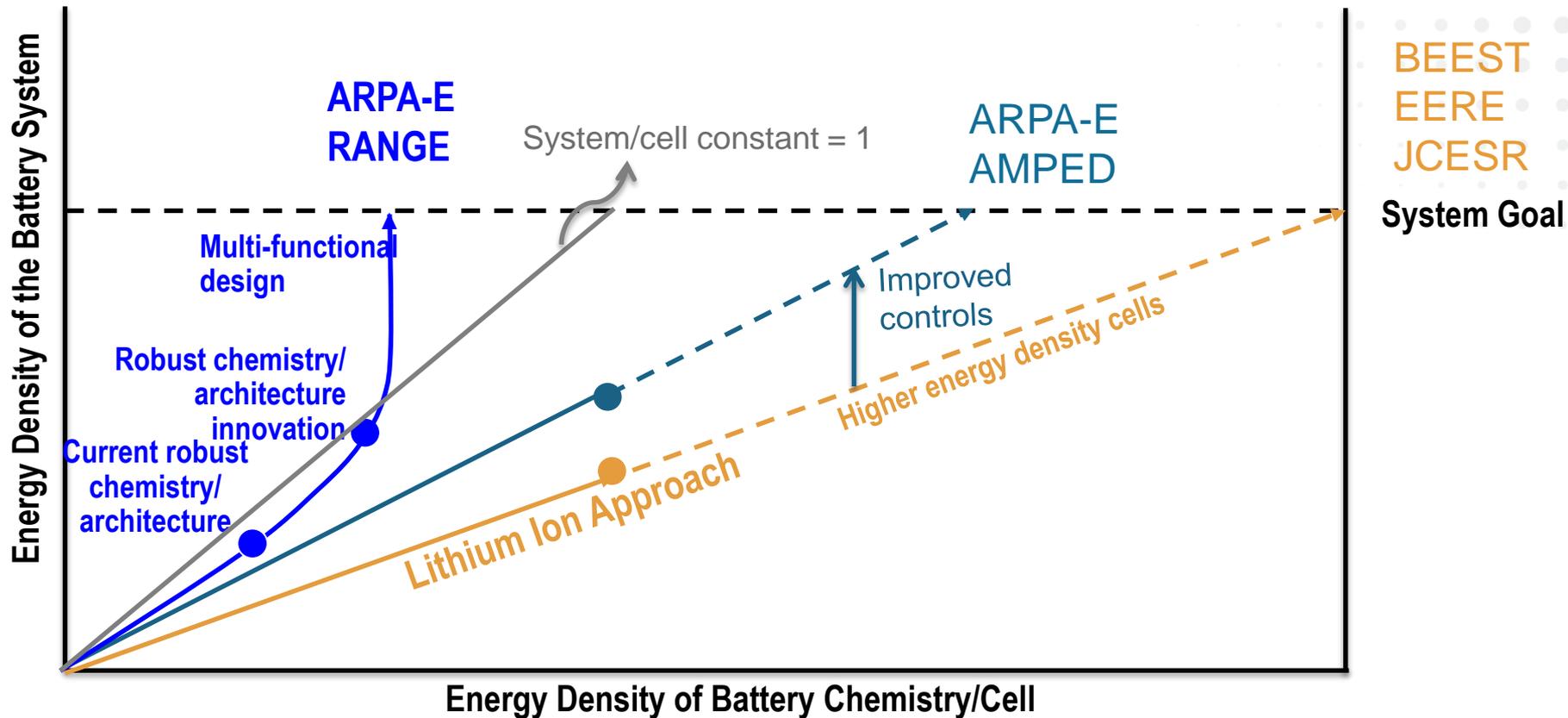
# **RANGE concepts beyond the RANGE program**

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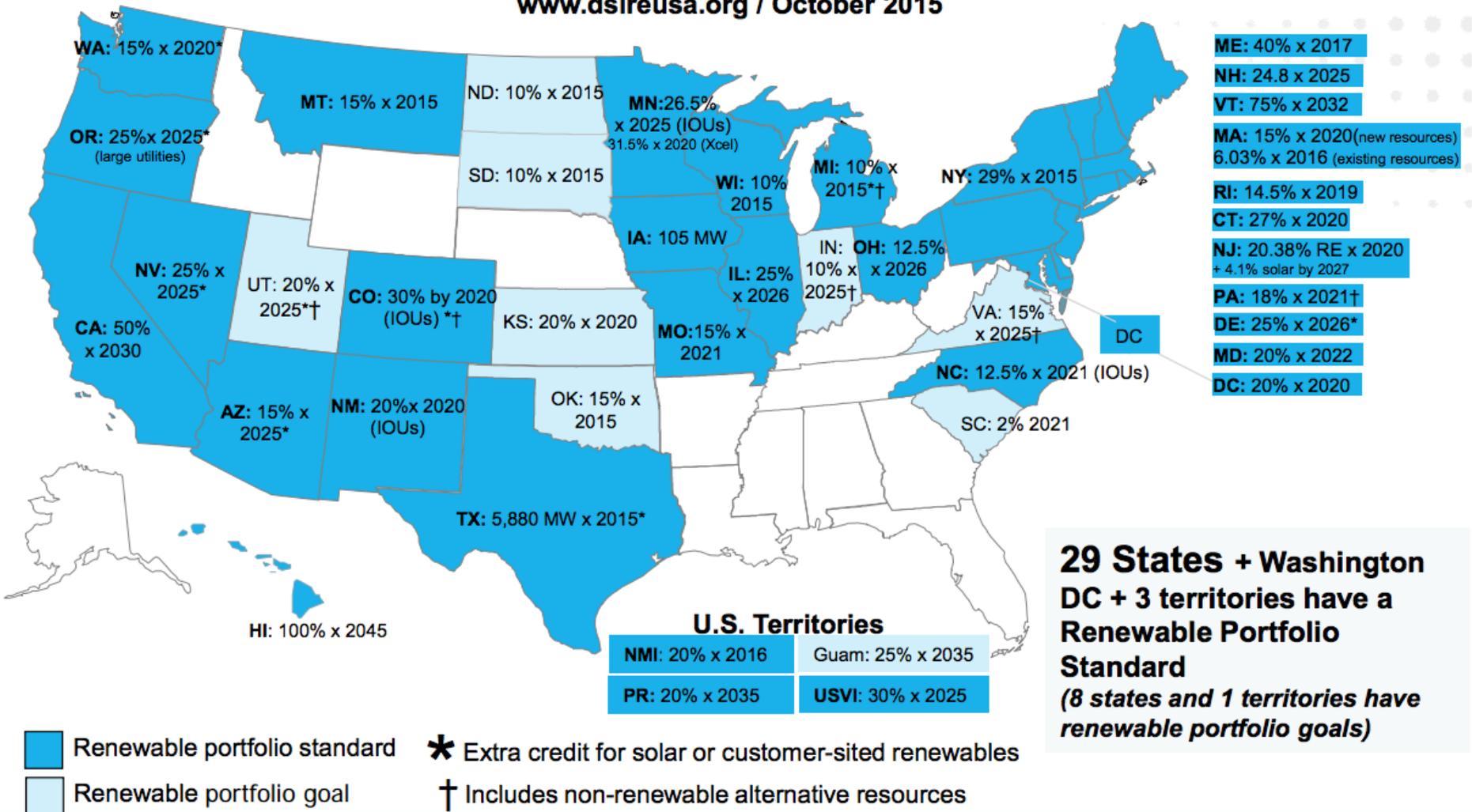
# RANGE concepts apply beyond EV batteries



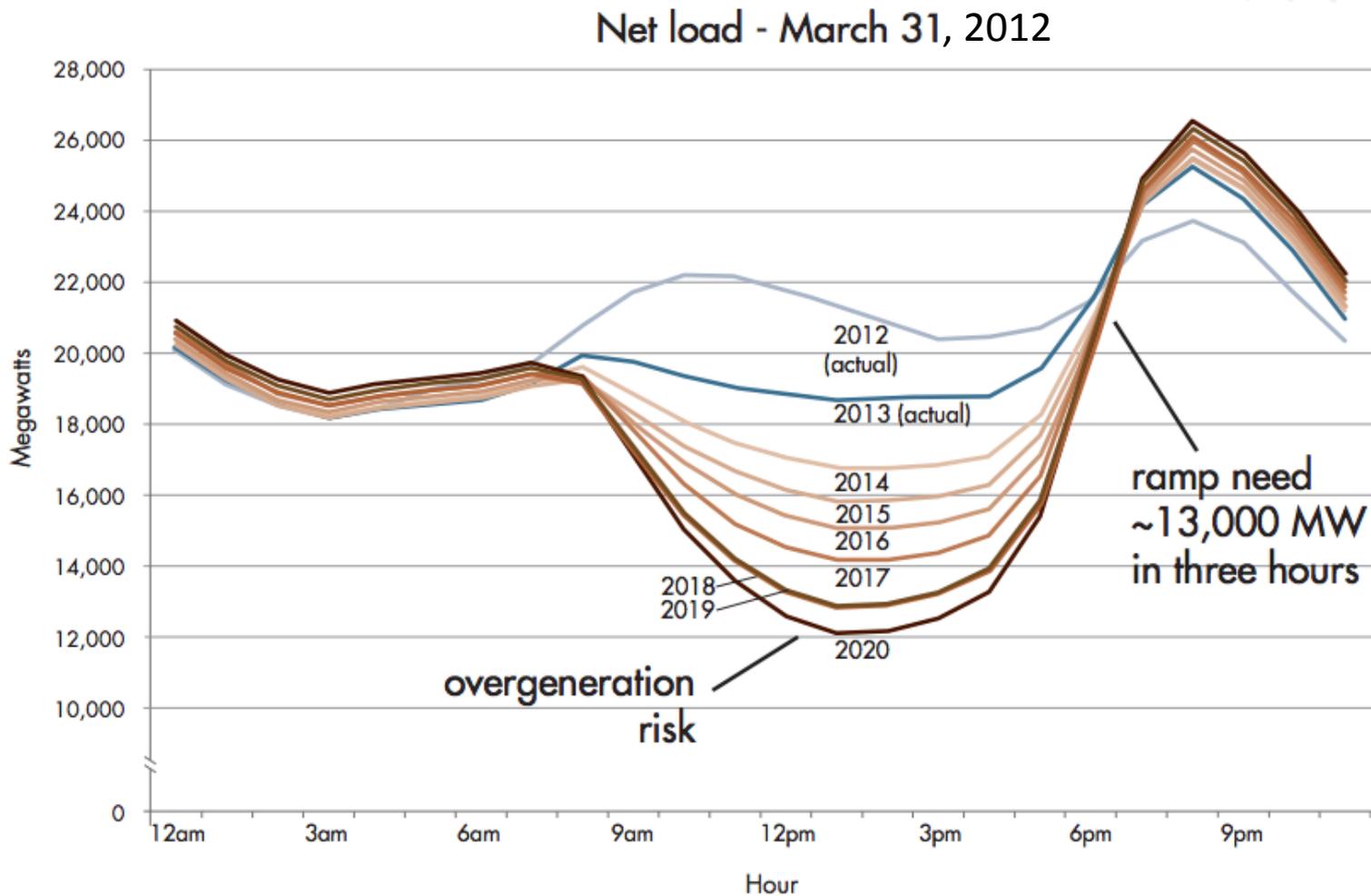
RANGE concepts are also applicable to **grid energy storage**, where system-level safety, robustness, and energy density are critical.

# Policy is driving renewables penetration

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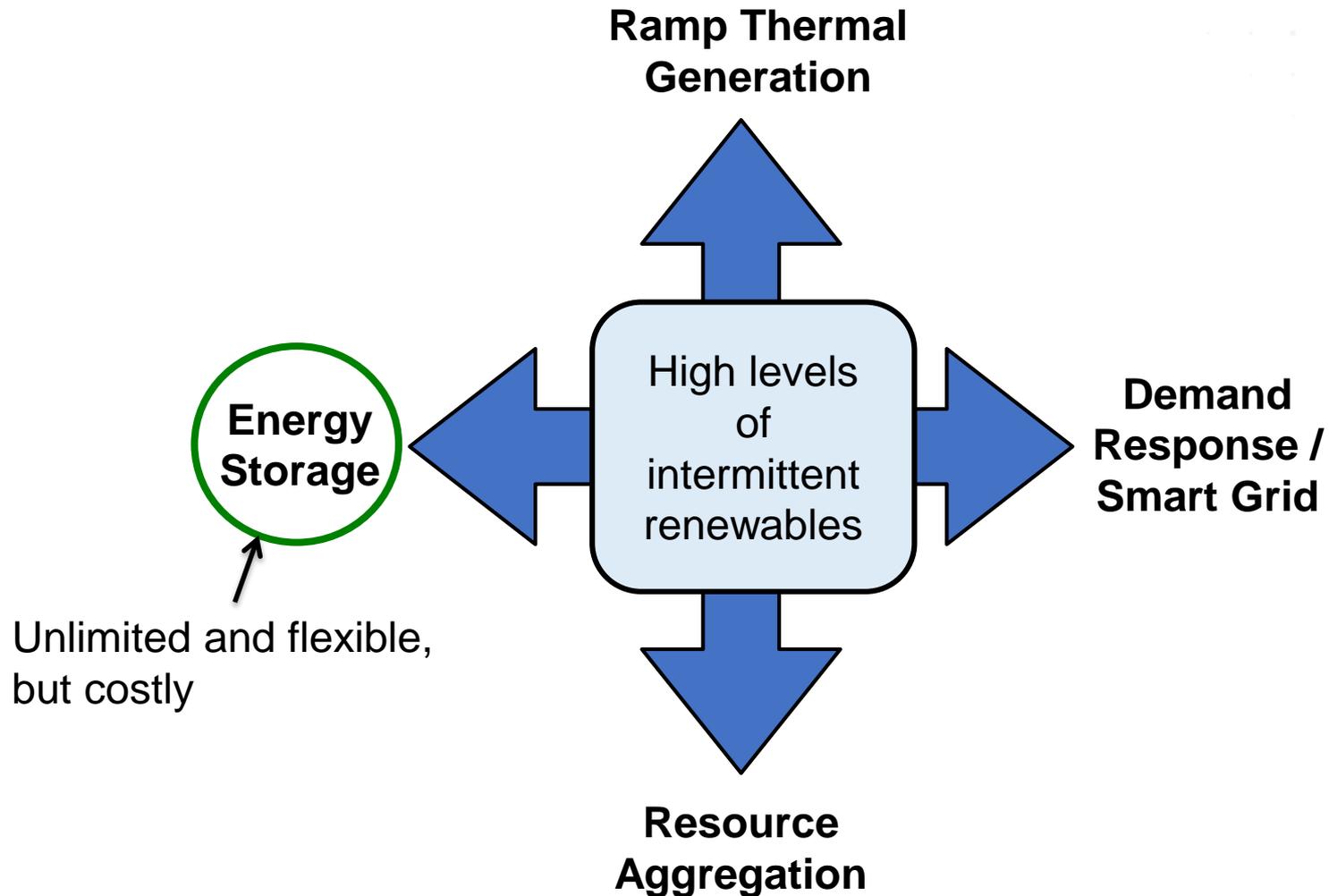


# Renewables drive variability and ramping

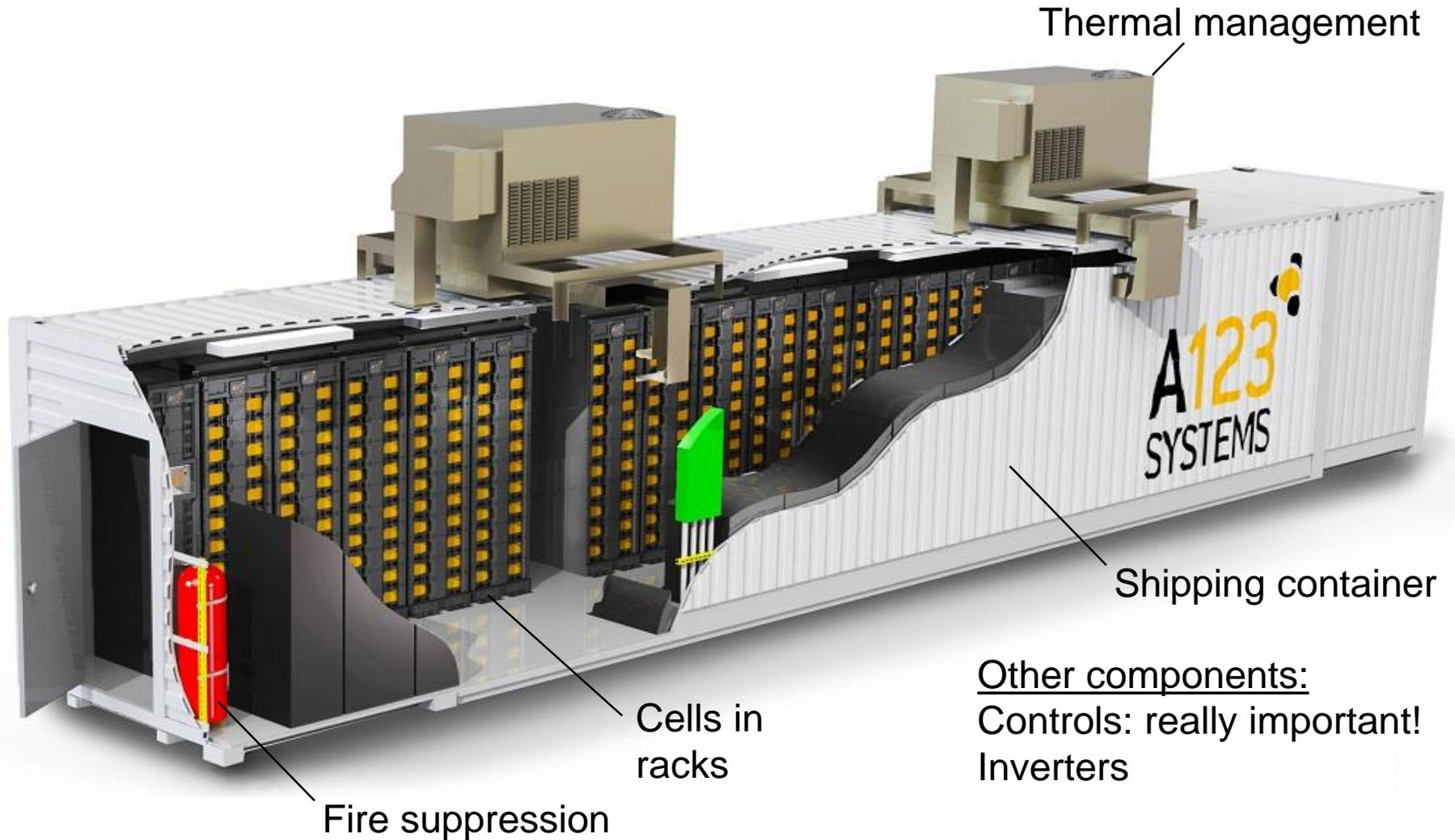


[https://www.caiso.com/Documents/FlexibleResourcesHelpRenewables\\_FastFacts.pdf](https://www.caiso.com/Documents/FlexibleResourcesHelpRenewables_FastFacts.pdf)

# Storage has a role in integrating renewables



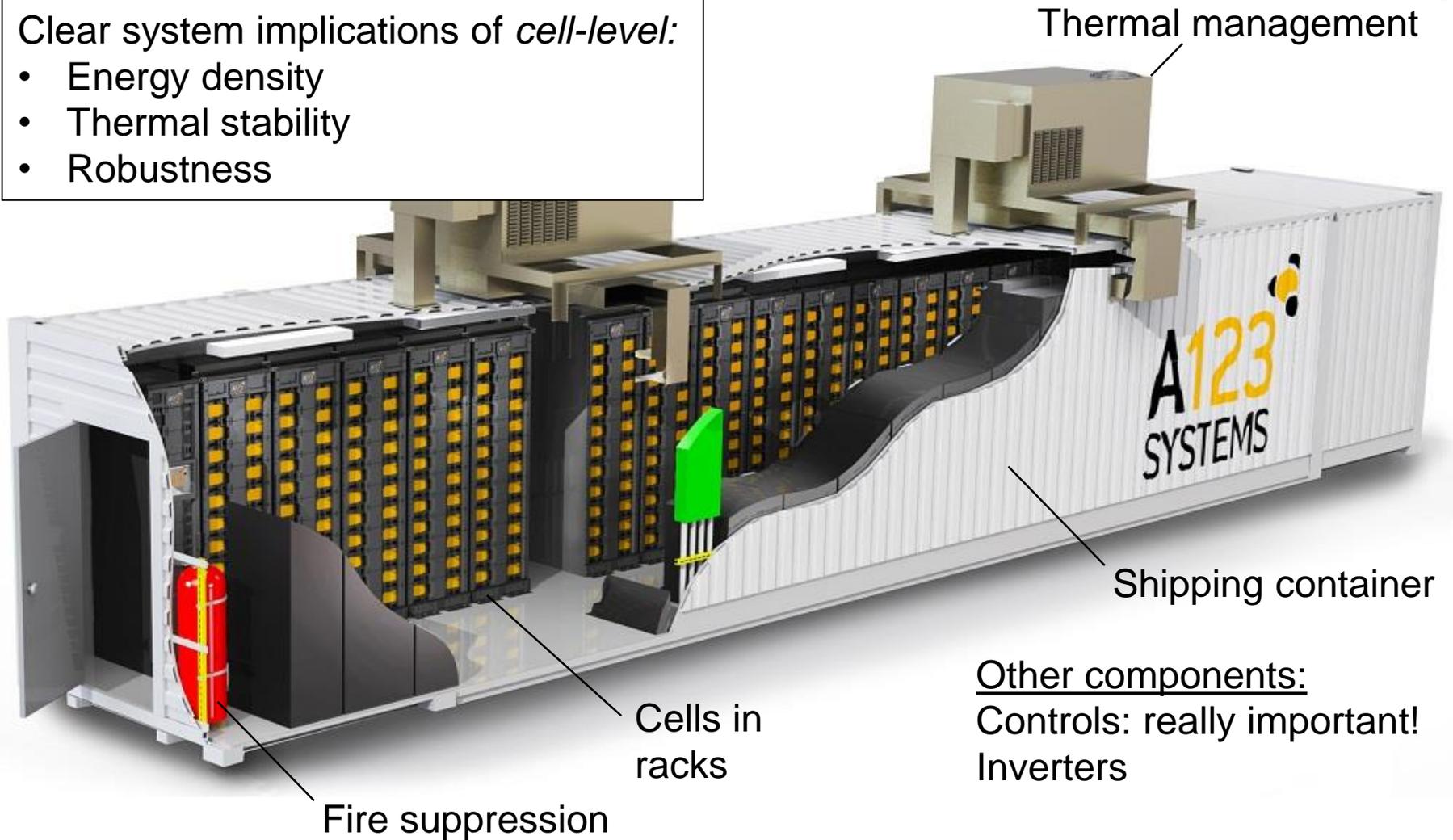
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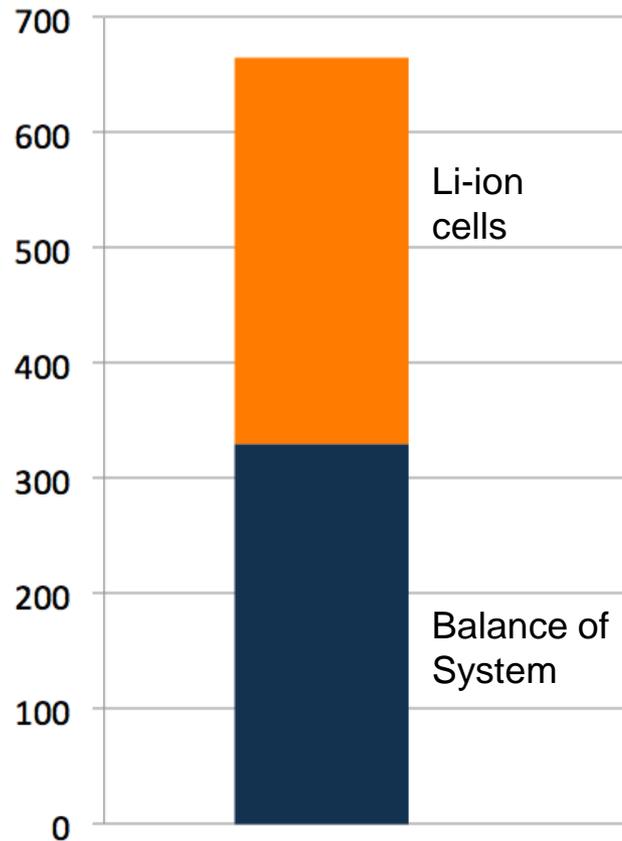
Clear system implications of *cell-level*:

- Energy density
- Thermal stability
- Robustness



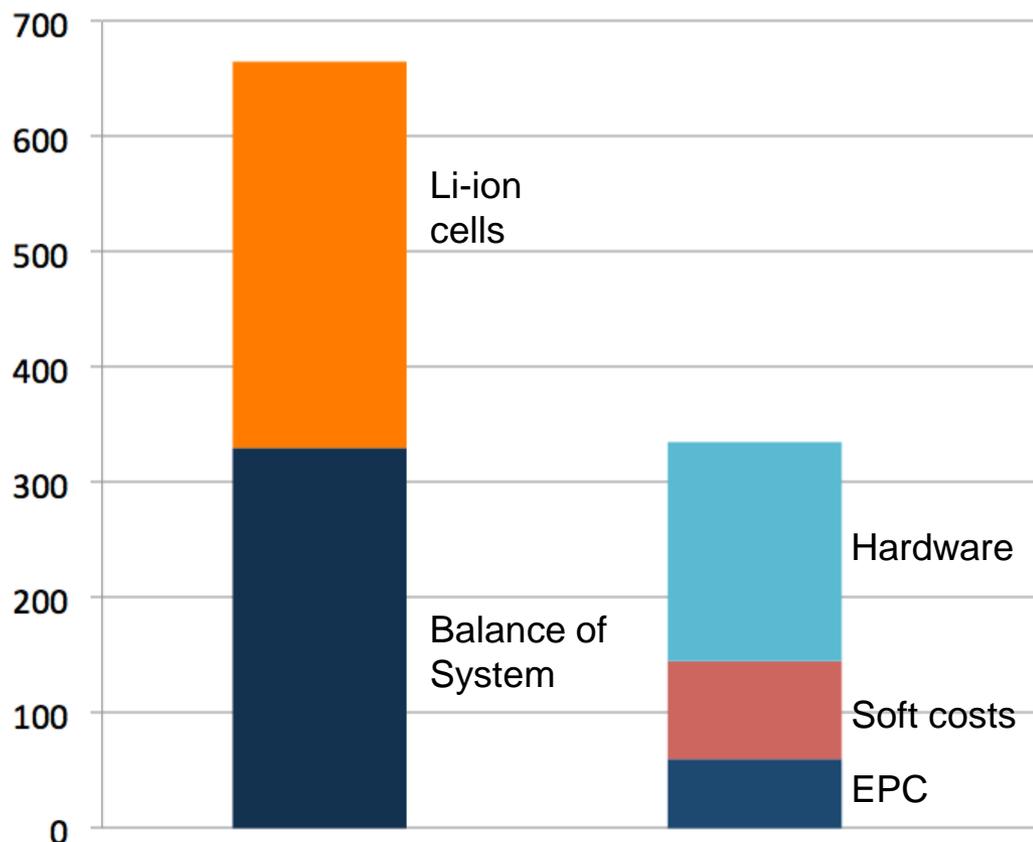
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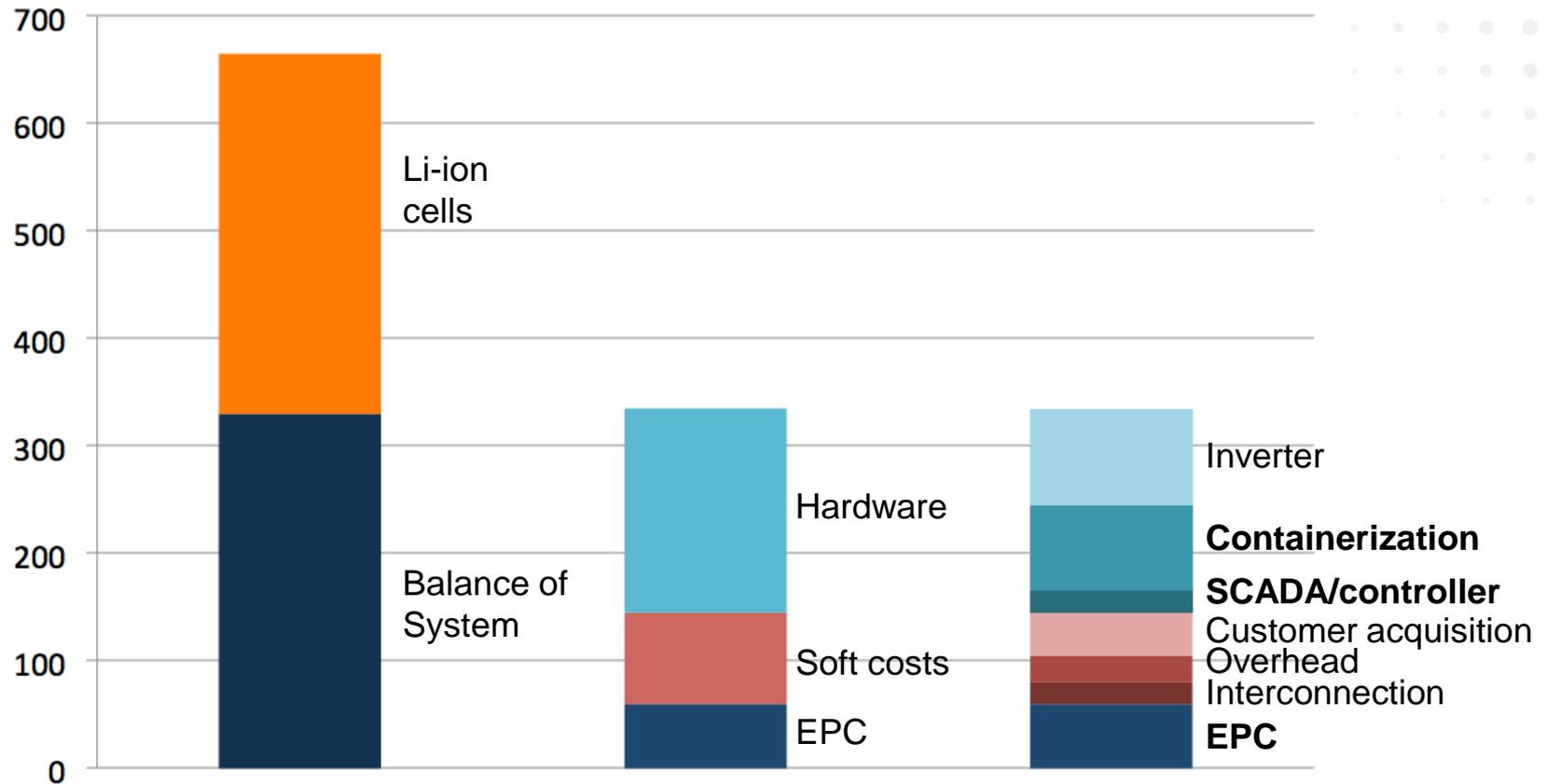
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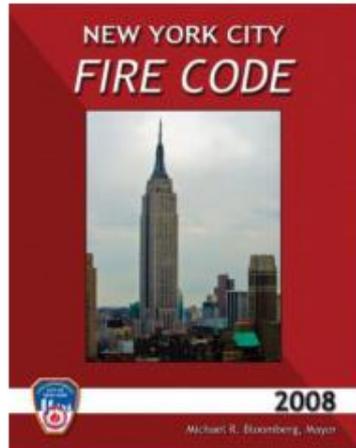
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**Today, more than ~15% of a total installed grid storage system could be addressed by RANGE concepts.**

# RANGE concepts can expand markets addressed

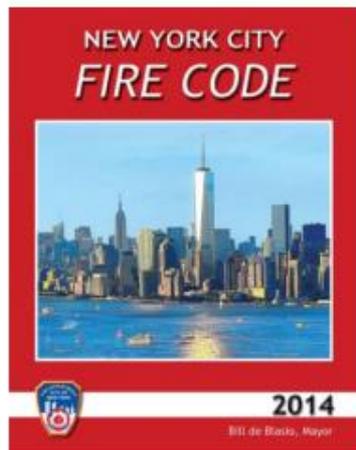


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- Flooded lead acid > 50 gallons
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## 2014 NYC Fire Code – Section 608

- Flooded lead acid > 50 gallons
- Valve-regulated lead acid > 50 gallons
- Flooded nickel cadmium > 50 gallons
- Lithium-ion > 1000 pounds
- Lithium metal polymer > 1000 pounds



# Transportation and grid targets differ

## Transportation

## Grid



### News

#### Energy Storage System Goals

- USABC Electrolyte Goals
- USABC 48V HEV Goals
- USABC EV Battery Goals
- USABC PHEV Battery Goals
- USABC 12V Start-Stop Battery Goals
- USABC High Power Low Energy-Energy Storage System (LEESS) Goals
- USABC Lithium Battery Separator Goals
- USABC Power Assist HEV Battery Goals
- USABC Ultracapacitor Requirements

Application stacking key to good economics.

Economics and duty cycle are location (rate structure) specific.

CUSTOMER SERVICES

Transmission Deferral

Time-of-Use Bill Management

Increased PV Self-Consumption

Demand Charge Reduction

Backup Power

## Performance

**Cycle life**

1,000 (for full EVs)

5,000 (~1 cycle/day, 15 years)

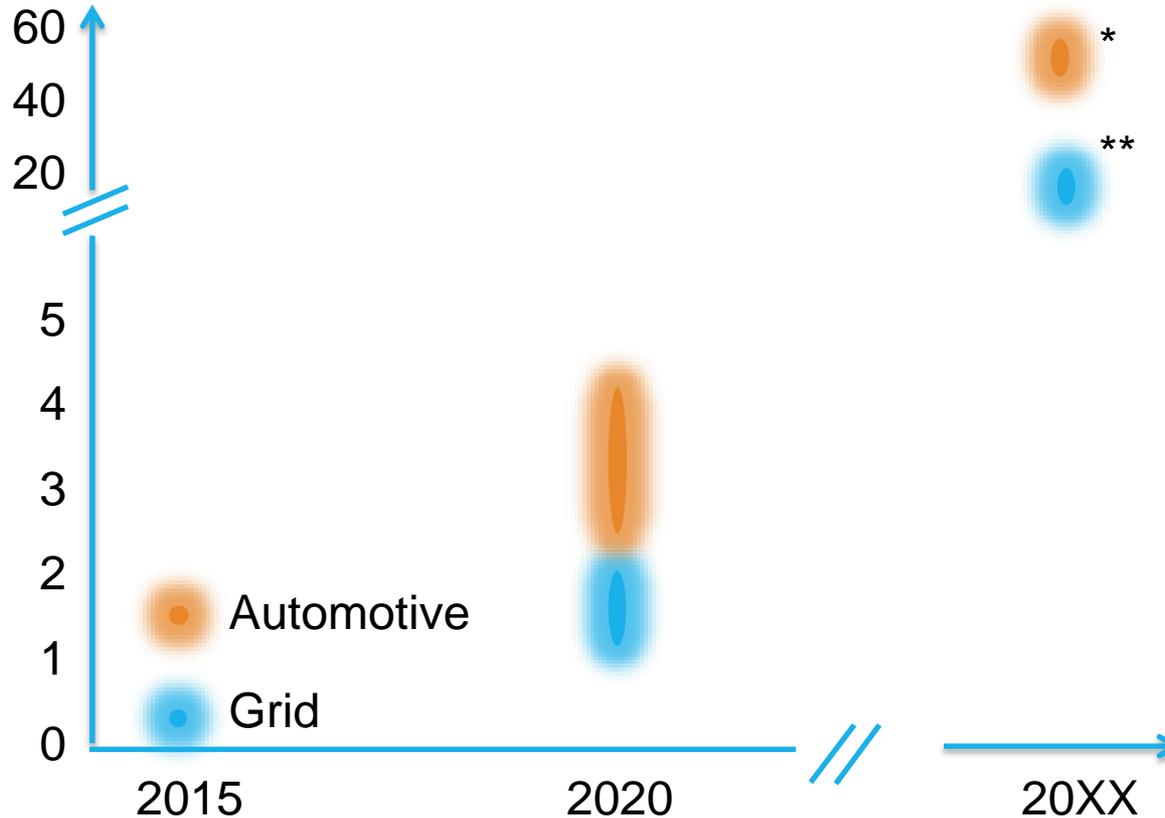
**System cost**

125 \$/kWh (for full EVs)

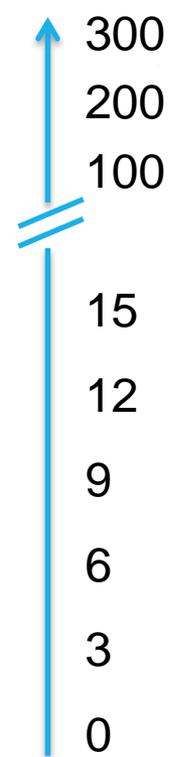
150 \$/kWh

# Grid storage has significant growth potential

US market (Billion \$/y)



US storage (GWh/y)



\* Assumes 5M vehicles/y with 60 kWh battery pack, 200 \$/kWh.

\*\*Assumes total grid storage of 1600 GWh (4h of US average power), 15y life, 200 \$/kWh.

# Vehicle batteries should be grid resources



- ▶ To use vehicle batteries for grid services, need:
  - Robust vehicle batteries with  $>5,000$  cycles
  - Smart controls and smart use cases
- ▶ Second life: safe, robust batteries reduce qualification costs.

# What you can do: ARPA-E CHARGES program



1. Economic Valuation

2. Test Protocols

3. Battery Testing

4. Microgrid Testing

5. Commercial Deployment Pathway



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## UCSD Center for Energy Research

Bill Torre, Byron Washom: Module and microgrid testing

Graham Elliot: Economic modeling

Shirley Meng: Battery chemistry

SDG&E, SoCalEdison, NRG:  
Advisory board

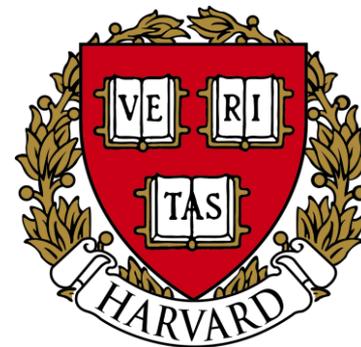
## DNV GL

DNV GL: Economic modeling, test protocols, battery testing

GroupNIRE: Microgrid testing

NYBEST, NAATBatt, NYSERDA, ConEd:  
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# What you can do: talk with grid performers



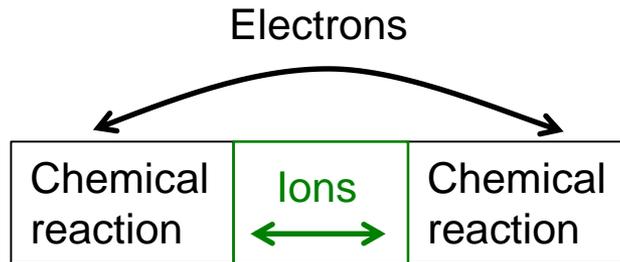
# Coming next from ARPA-E: Integration and Optimization of Novel Ion-Conducting Solids (IONICS)

Please note:

- The IONICS FOA was issued on February 26 and is in the quiet period
- In the event of any inconsistency between this presentation and the IONICS FOA, the latter will control.
- Amendments to the FOA, if any, are published on eXCHANGE.

# The electrochemical cell and the program focus

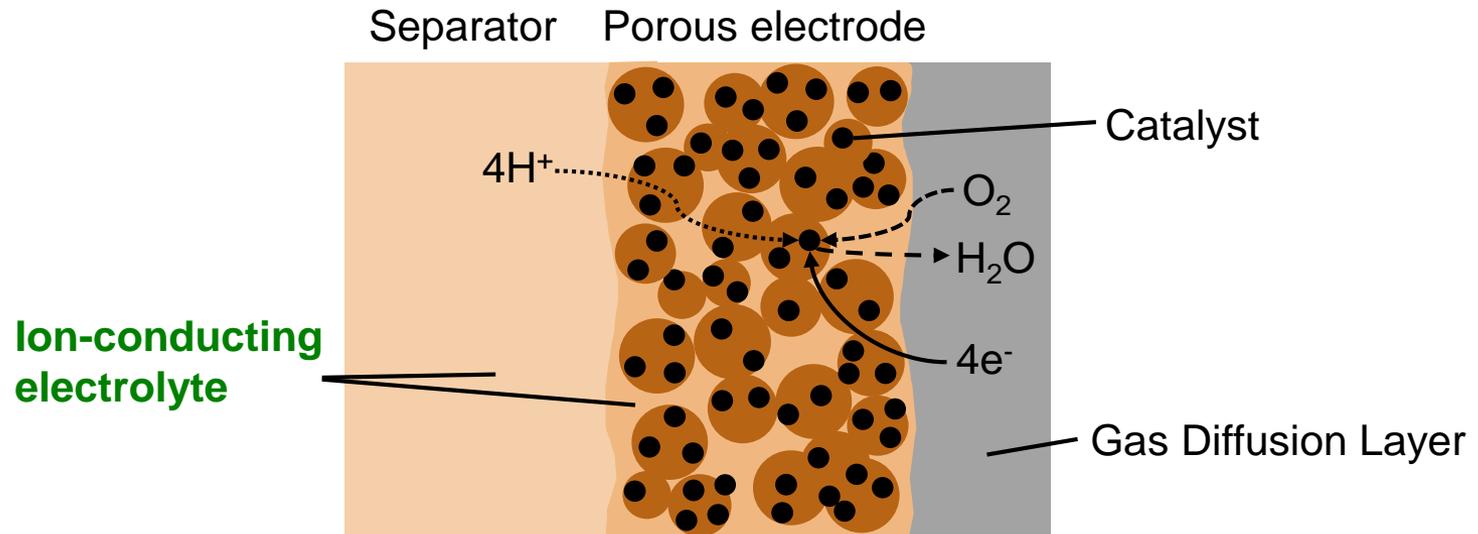
## Electrochemical cell: schematic



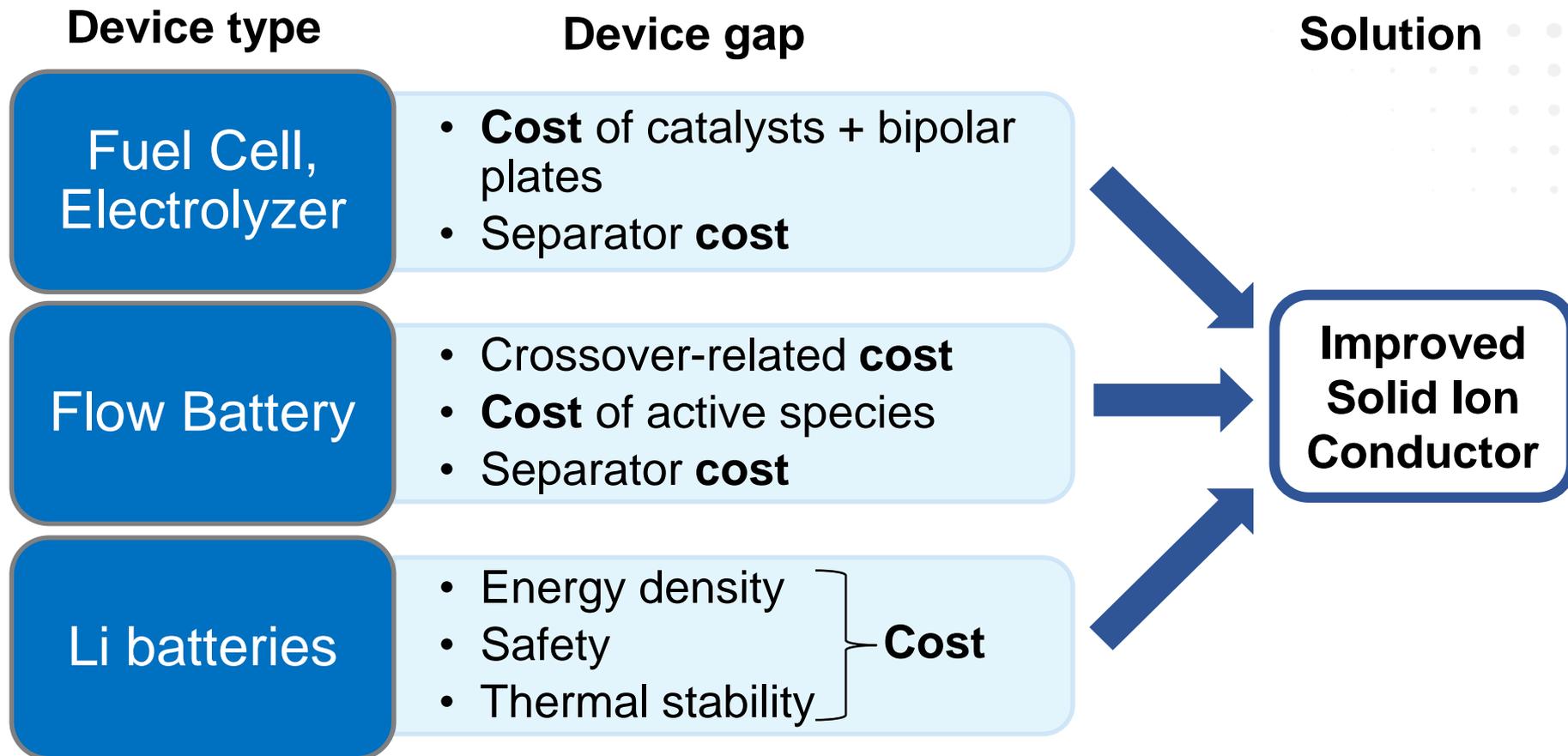
## Electrochemical cell: benefits

- Link chemical reactions with electron flow.
- High energy efficiency (90% RTE DC-DC possible)
- Scalable (milli-Watts to Mega-Watts)

## Program focus: Ion-conducting electrolyte

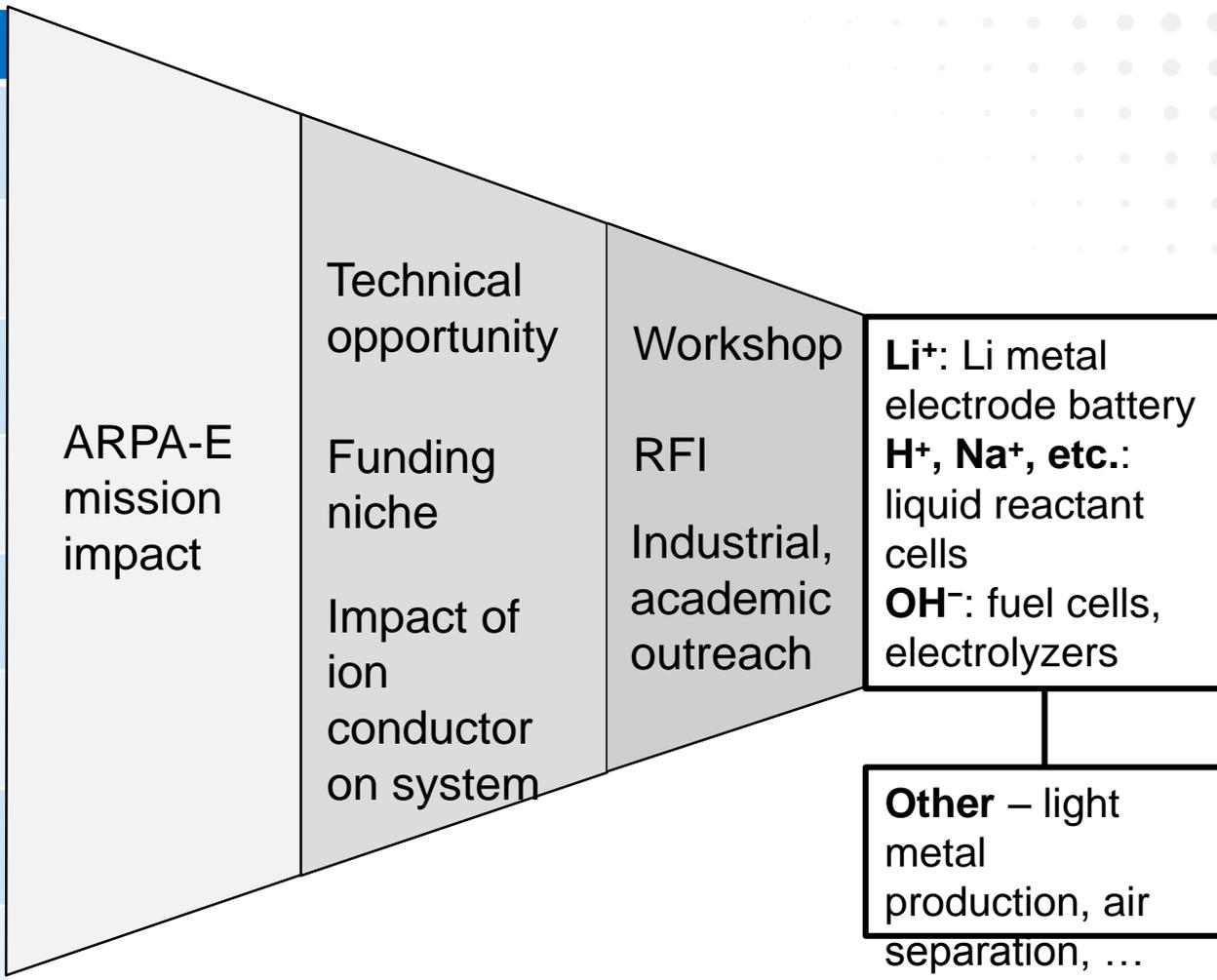


# Problem: device gaps are limiting success

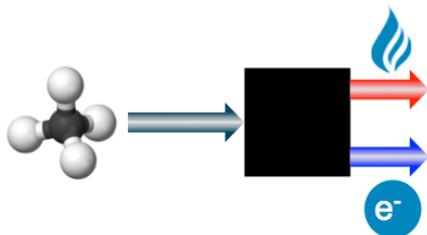


# We have defined categories from a broad space

Ion	Use
Li <sup>+</sup>	Metal electrode, flow, and molten salt cells
OH <sup>-</sup>	Stationary fuel cells, electrolyzers
H <sup>+</sup>	Flow cells and stationary fuel cells
Mg <sup>2+</sup> , Al <sup>3+</sup>	Light metal production
O <sup>2-</sup> , e <sup>-</sup>	Air separation, Syn gas
H <sup>+</sup> , e <sup>-</sup>	Stationary fuel cells, electrosynthesis
Na <sup>+</sup>	Metal electrode, AMTEC, Flow cells
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# Program impacts span applications

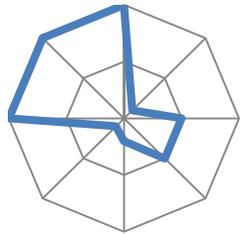


Category	Application	Device Impact	Application Impact	US energy Impact
AEM	<b>CHP</b>	↓15% system cost	↑50% CHP adoption <sup>1,2</sup>	Energy ↓1% GHG ↓0.6%
	<b>Vehicle Fuel Cells</b>	↓25% system cost	↑10% FCV adoption	Oil ↓7% GHG ↓1%
Flow Cell	<b>Grid Energy Storage</b>	<\$100/kWh system cost	Enable >30% renewable penetration	GHG ↓
Lithium	<b>Electric Vehicles</b>	<\$125/kWh battery packs	↑10% EV adoption	Energy ↓1% Oil ↓3% GHG ↓1%

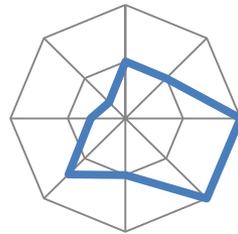


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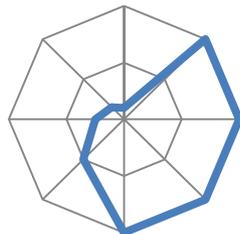
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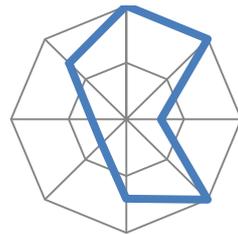
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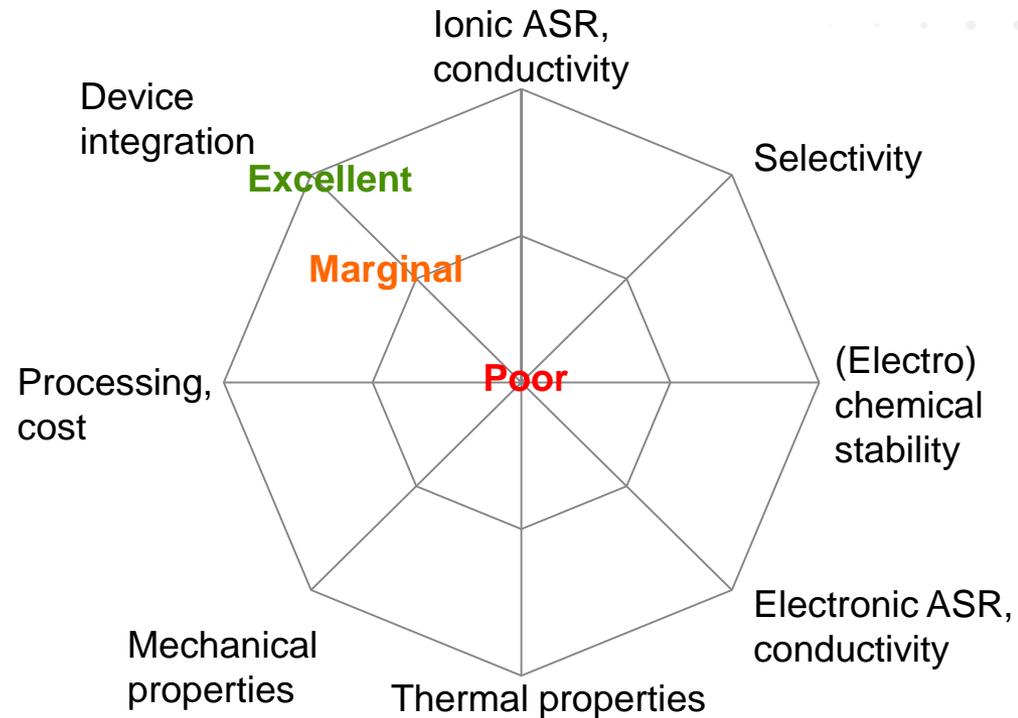
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**LiPON**



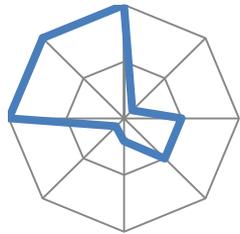
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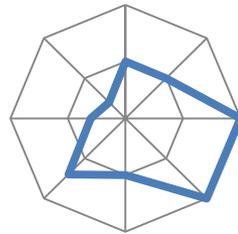
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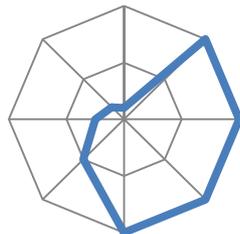
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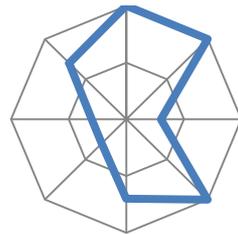
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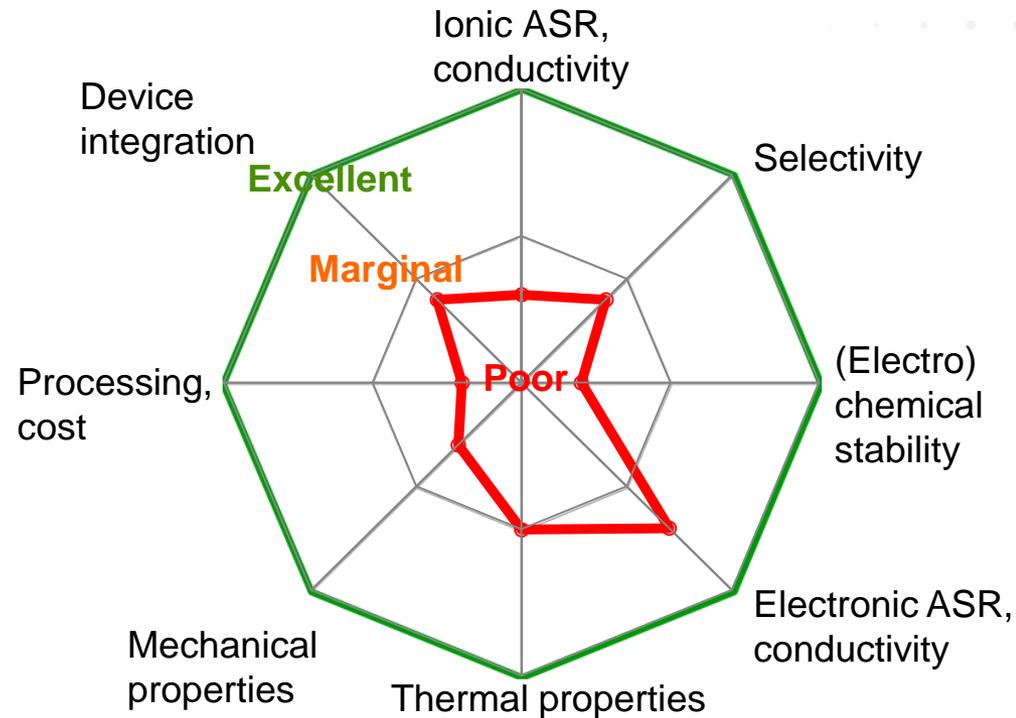
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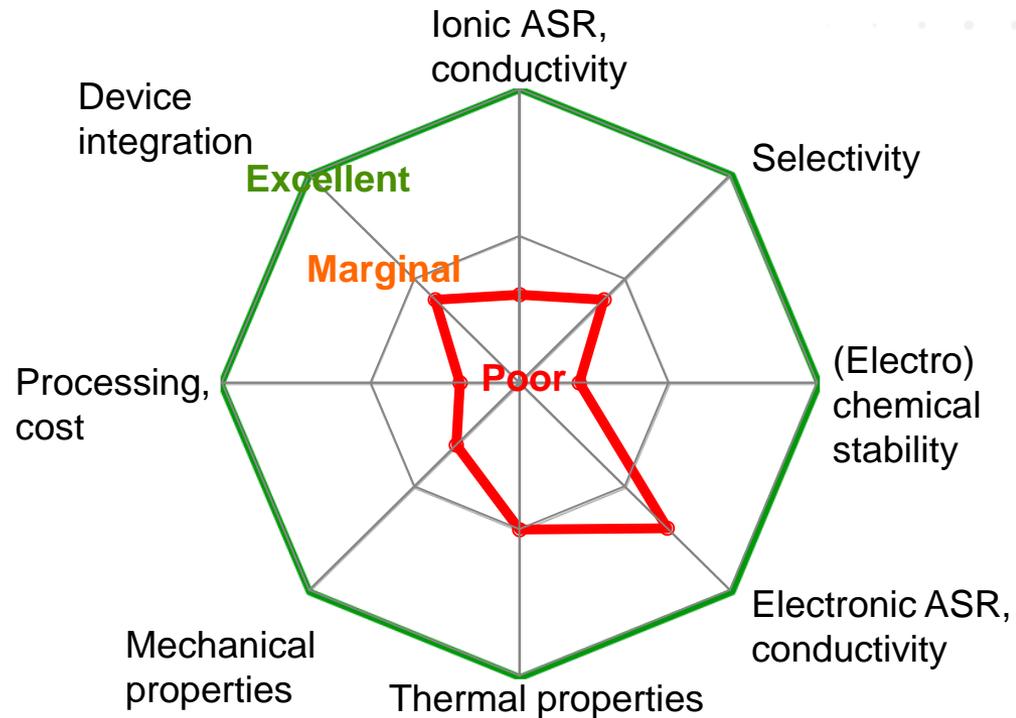
# The problem: having it all, and at the same time

**Liquids** are SOA, but have fatal flaws

**Solids** need improvement, no fatal flaws

	Liquids	Solids
Ionic conductivity	Green	Yellow
Selectivity	Red	Green
Chemical stability	Yellow	Yellow
Thermal stability	Red	Green
Mechanical properties	Red	Yellow
Processing/Cost	Green	Yellow
Device integration	Green	Yellow

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# Example: paradigm of much of today's research

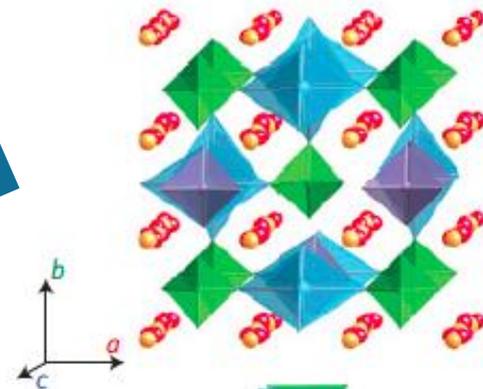
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## A lithium superionic conductor

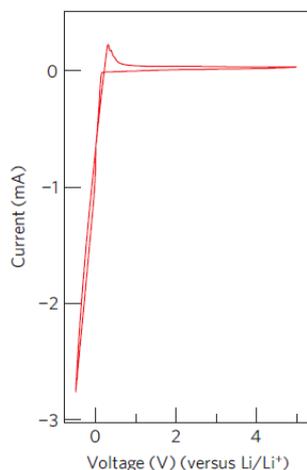
Noriaki Kamaya<sup>1</sup>, Kenji Homma<sup>1</sup>, Yuichiro Yamakawa<sup>1</sup>, Masaaki Iwamoto<sup>1\*</sup>, Masao Yonemura<sup>2</sup>, Takashi Kamiyama<sup>2</sup>, Yuki Kato<sup>3</sup>, Shigenori Hara<sup>3</sup>, and Akio Mitsui<sup>4</sup>

**Solid conductivity equal to liquid!**



But...

“Chemical Stability”



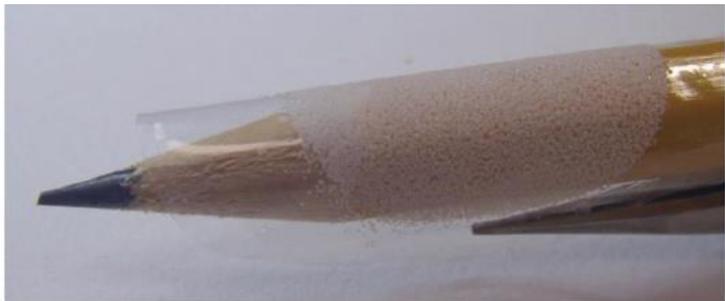
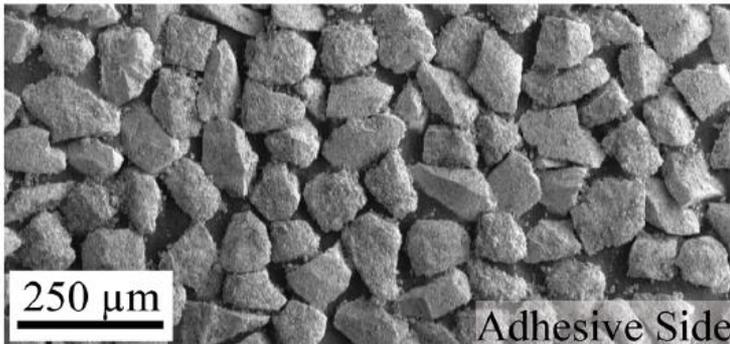
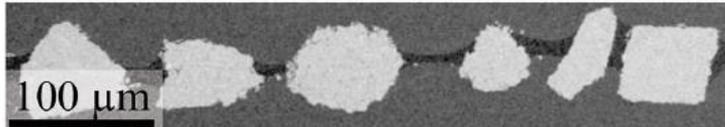
Material is not truly stable across a wide potential window

Other open questions:

- Mechanical properties
- Thermal stability
- Processing
- Device integration

# Overcoming tradeoffs: Li<sup>+</sup> conductor

Li<sup>+</sup>-conducting composite membrane



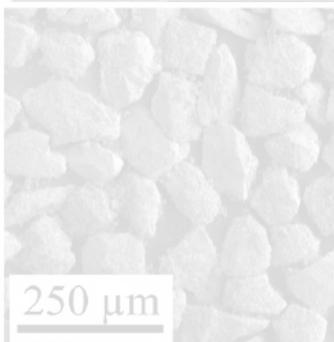
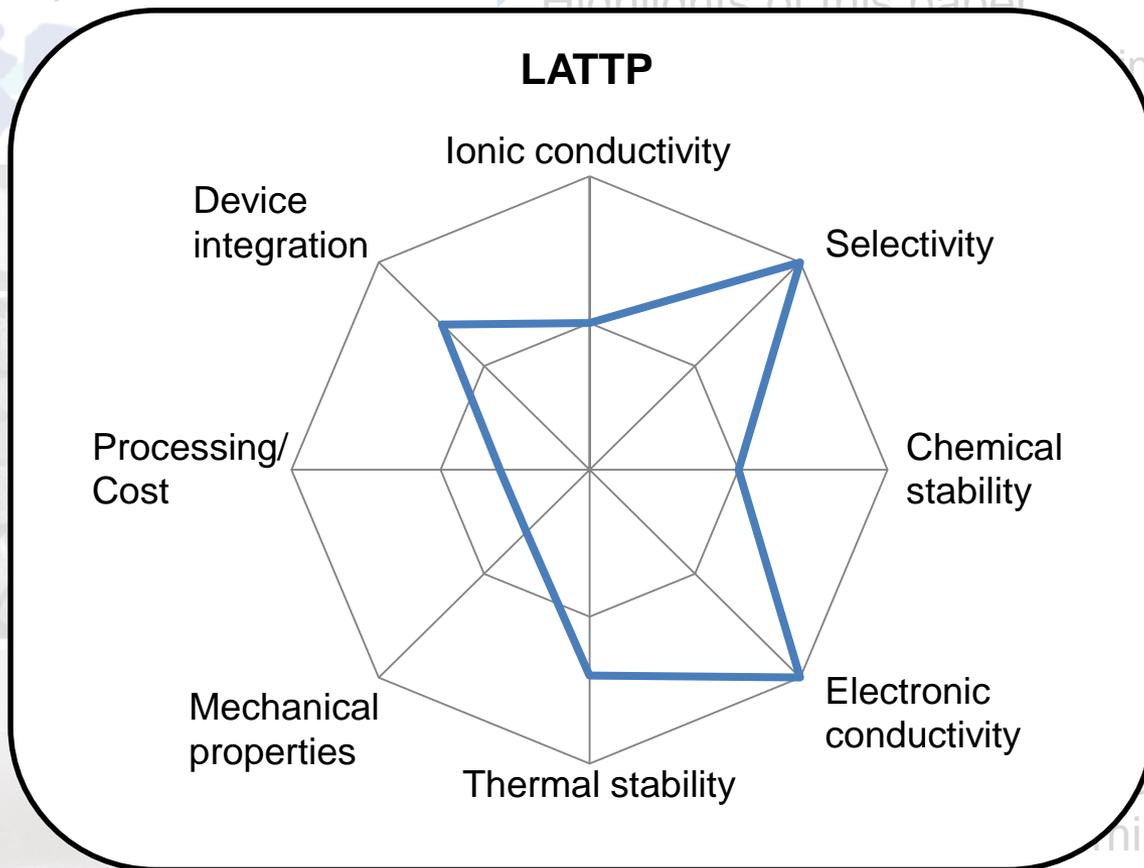
► Highlights of the Aetukuri\* paper:

- Membrane suitable for **roll-to-roll processing**.
- Polymer chosen for **chemical and thermal stability** in typical battery electrolytes.
- **Eliminate processing** solid ceramic particles into a dense membrane.
- **Measurement of Li dendrite formation** carried out.

# Overcoming tradeoffs: Li<sup>+</sup> conductor

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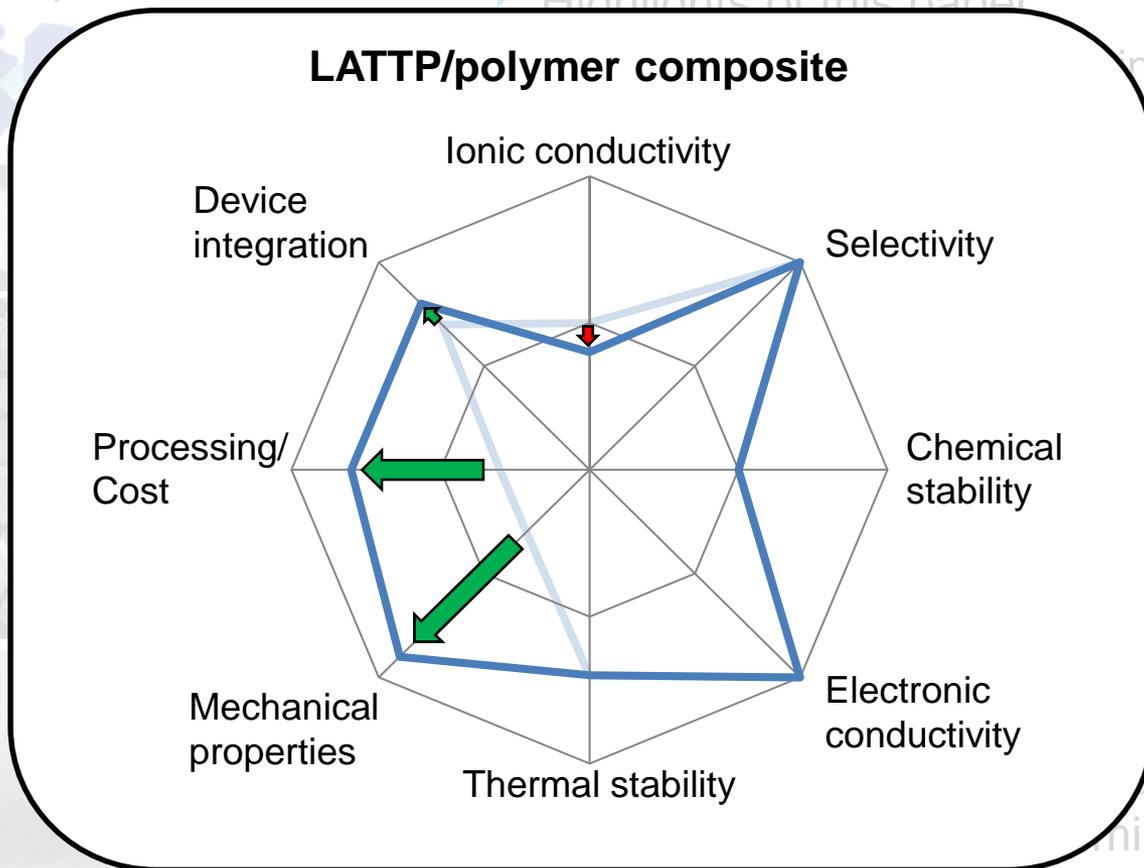
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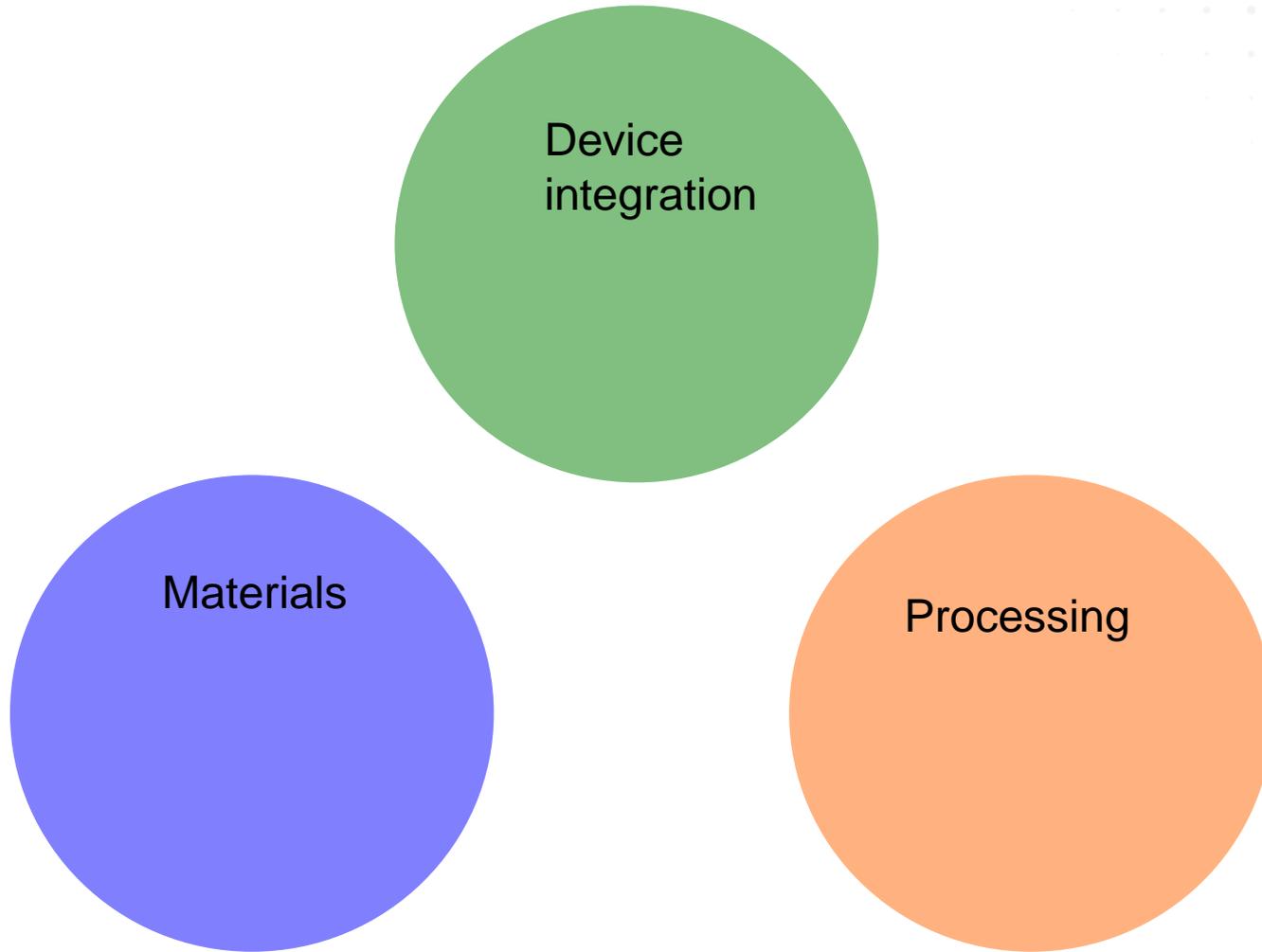
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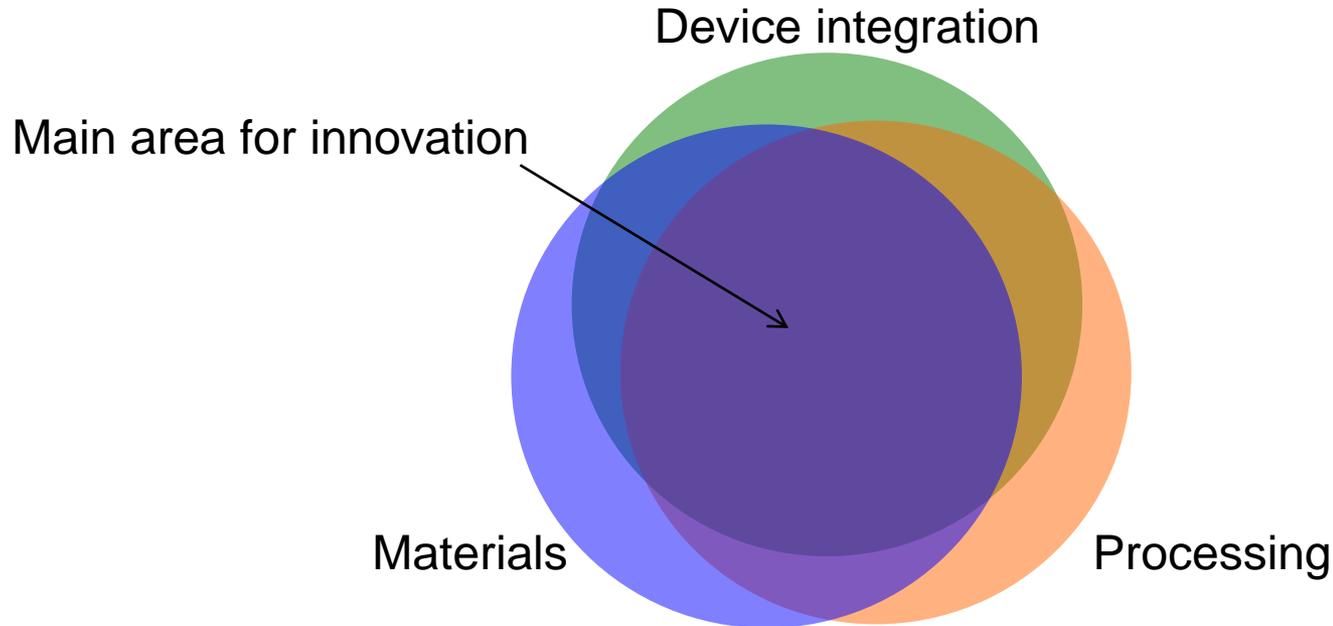
device integration.

# Where will the innovation happen?

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# Innovation primarily at the intersections



## Foundational science and engineering

- solid state ionics
- inorganic chemistry
- solid state chemistry
- polymer-polymer compos.
- functional glasses
- polymer-ceramic compos.
- mechanical properties
- thin film deposition
- organic chemistry
- photoelectrochemistry
- analytical mat. sci.
- process engineering

# IONICS FOA details

## DE-FOA-0001478: INTEGRATION AND OPTIMIZATION OF NOVEL ION CONDUCTING SOLIDS (IONICS)

The Integration and Optimization of Novel Ion Conducting Solids (IONICS) program seeks to enable transformational electrochemical cells by creating components built with solid ion conductors that have a wide range of desirable properties including low ionic area-specific resistance (ASR), high chemical and electrochemical stability, high selectivity, good mechanical properties, etc. through innovative approaches to overcome tradeoffs among coupled properties. It also seeks to develop and apply methods for processing of solid ion conductors and their integration into electrochemical devices. Components built with solid ion conductors, especially separators, have the potential to serve as enabling platforms, as demonstrated by the wide application of Yttria-Stabilized Zirconia (YSZ) ceramics and perfluorosulfonic acid (PFSA) polymers (e.g., Nafion®). The IONICS Program Categories focus on specific electrochemical cells with high impact for the energy sector whose commercial potential will be significantly enhanced with improved components built from solid ion conductors.

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The Program Categories include:

1. Lithium (Li) ion conductors that enable the cycling of Li metal without shorting
2. Selective and low-cost separators for batteries with liquid reactants (e.g., flow batteries)
3. Alkaline conductors with high chemical stability and conductivity
4. Other approaches that could achieve the IONICS Program Objectives

### DOCUMENTS

- [IONICS FOA - Concept Paper - 02.26.2016](#)

### REQUIRED APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

Pursuant to the FOA, Applicants are required to submit the "Required Application Documents" with their Application. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed or considered.

[View Template Application Documents](#)

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► **Concept papers due next Monday, March 28.**

# Extra slides

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# Category 1 motivation and opportunities

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- ▶ Li-ion batteries are being scaled up, but face limits because of (1) energy density, (2) thermal stability, and (3) safety
- ▶ Potential solution: replace negative electrode with Li metal and liquid electrolyte with a solid
- ▶ Only LiPON has shown long-term cycling of Li metal at 25°C, but low conductivity requires thin-film cells that don't scale
- ▶ Literature suggests that ~2x shear modulus of Li metal is sufficient to block dendrites
- ▶ Also recent progress in ceramic/polymer composites
- ▶ The minimum requirement for Category 1 is to cycle Li metal at 25°C and conditions defined in Section 1.D; applicants may also propose fabricating porous electrodes using Li<sup>+</sup> conducting solid materials

*\*IONICS FOA Sect. 1.D (Technical Categories of Interest), pg. 12-13*

# Category 1 potential areas of (& not of) interest

## Examples of technical approaches of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Composites of existing Li<sup>+</sup> conducting materials, especially polymer/ceramic composites with a high potential to achieve both a full set of desired properties and an ability to use existing roll-to-roll processing lines
- Low-cost, continuous, scalable processing techniques for inorganic solid ion conductors. As one example, a process is under development to make thin (down to 20 microns), flexible, polycrystalline, ceramic layers
- New materials that offer significantly improved properties compared with existing materials. As one example, a dry Li<sup>+</sup>-conducting polymer that achieves a conductivity exceeding 5E-4 S/cm at 25°C and other desired properties would be a significant advance
- The use of self-forming mechanisms to create passivating interfacial layers, or even the active materials or the separator itself, as a way to reduce processing steps
- Supported films, which allow ion conductor thickness significantly less than 20 microns.

## Area specifically not of interest:

- Liquid-based approaches to achieving technical metrics

*\*IONICS FOA Sect. I.D (Technical Categories of Interest), pg. 13 and III.C.3. (Areas Specifically Not of Interest), pg. 39.*

# Category 1 metrics

\*IONICS FOA Sect. I.E (Technical Performance Targets), pg.20-21.

ID	Metric	Value
1.1	Separator that enables the cycling of Li metal without shorting at 25°C	Modulus, surface, and microstructural properties that prevent Li metal shorting
1.2	Thermal properties	Suitable for cell operation from -20 to 70°C
1.3	Component area over which property values are achieved to within ≥90% uniformity	≥30 cm <sup>2</sup>
1.4	Cost	≤\$10/m <sup>2</sup>
1.5	Ionic ASR at 25°C	≤5 Ohm-cm <sup>2</sup>
1.6	Capacity of Li metal moved per cycle	≥3 mAh/cm <sup>2</sup>
1.7	Current density	≥3 mA/cm <sup>2</sup>
1.8	Number of cycles without Li metal shorting, or ≥20% degradation of other performance metrics	≥500
1.9	Electrochemical stability	0-4.5 V vs. Li/Li <sup>+</sup> is desired; sufficient to meet metric 1.14 is required
1.10	Thickness	≤20 μm
1.11	Depth of discharge of the Li electrode ( <i>i.e.</i> , fraction of the Li metal present that is cycled)	≥80%
1.12	Electronic ASR at 25°C	≥1E5 Ohm-cm <sup>2</sup>
1.13	Mechanical properties for handling and operation	Suitable for handling components with an area at least that defined in metric 1.3, and for operation
1.14	Device Integration	Suitable for integration into a cell that achieves ≥1000 Wh/L and ≥400 Wh/kg for the cell repeat unit (current collectors, electrodes, and separator)

Please see IONICS FOA Sect. I.E (Technical Performance Targets), pg. 21 for footnotes elaborating on these metrics

# Category 1 metrics: electrodes (optional)

*\*IONICS FOA Sect. I.E (Technical Performance Targets), pg.22.*

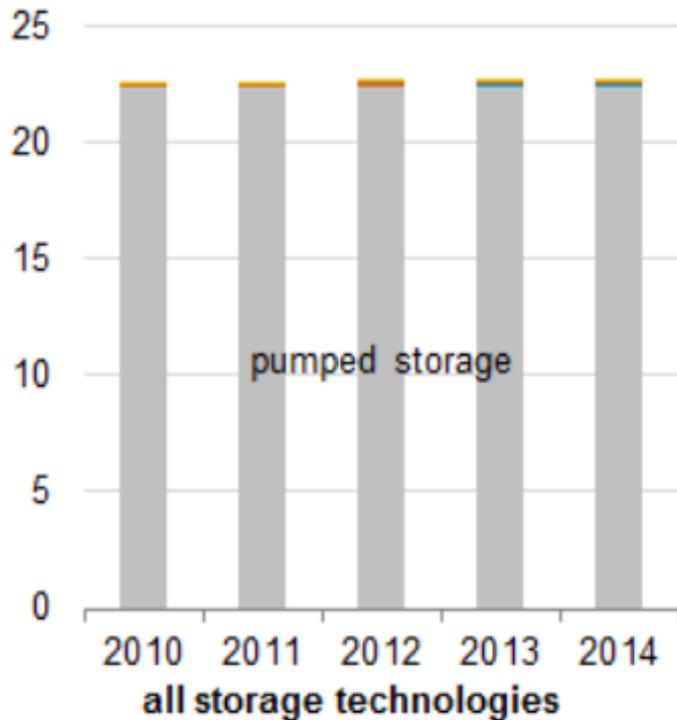
ID	Metric	Value
1.15	Component area over which property values are achieved to within $\geq 90\%$ uniformity	$\geq 30 \text{ cm}^2$
1.16	Thermal properties	Suitable for cell operation from $-20$ to $70^\circ\text{C}$
1.17	Ionic conductivity of conducting phase	$\geq 5\text{E-}4 \text{ S/cm}$
1.18	Electrode-level ASR measured at 50% SOC under practical compression conditions	$\leq 50 \text{ Ohm-cm}^2$
1.19	Electrode capacity	$\geq 3 \text{ mAh/cm}^2$
1.20	Number of cycles with 80% capacity retention in a full-cell format at $\geq 1 \text{ mA/cm}^2$	$\geq 500$
1.21	Electrochemical stability	Suitable for use with positive electrode materials that enable metric 1.14
1.22	Mechanical properties of composite electrode	Suitable for cell manufacturing process that enables cells at 100 \$/kWh (i.e., suitable for roll to roll processing is preferred)
1.23	Device integration	The creation of a solid-state cathode based on existing metal-oxide electrode materials is preferred; other electrode materials will be considered on a case-by-case basis

Please see IONICS FOA Sect. I.E (Technical Performance Targets), pg. 22 for footnotes elaborating on these metrics

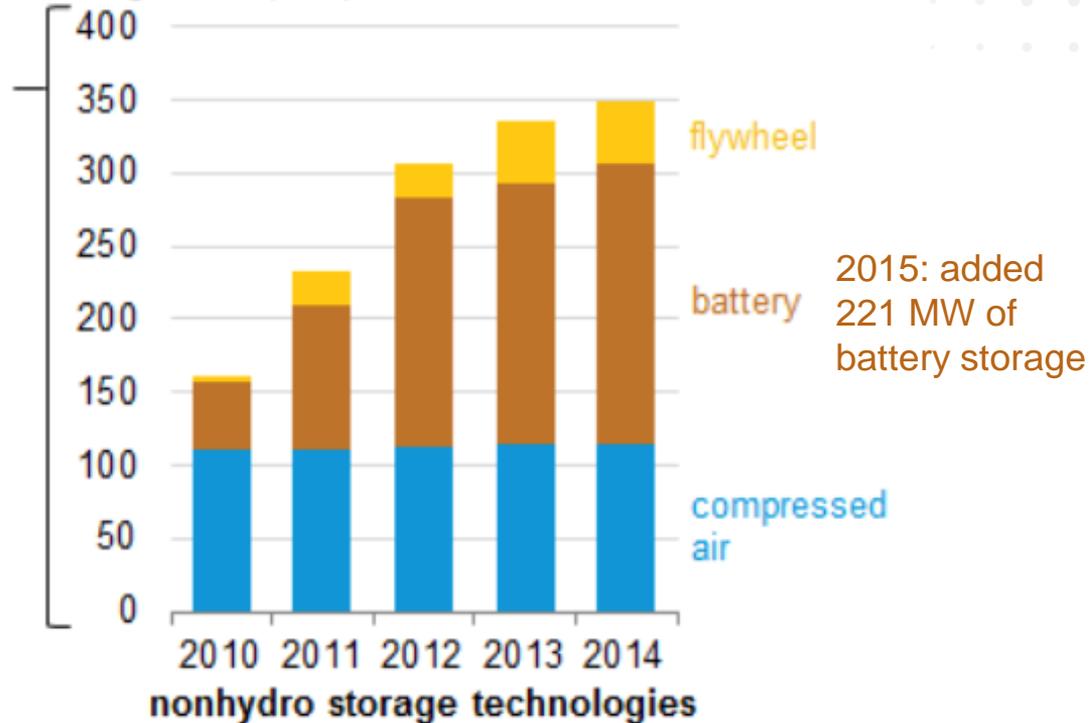
# Battery grid storage is growing rapidly

US electric grid averages ~400 GW

Electric power sector storage capacity gigawatts (GW)



megawatts (MW)



Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, EIA-860 Survey; Sandia National Labs, DOE Global Energy Storage Database

# Ironic aspects of building safety codes



Parking a vehicle with >1000 lb battery in a building: no FDNY  
Putting a >1000 lb battery on the wall in a building: yes FDNY