



GLASS-CERAMIC ELECTROLYTES FOR THE NEXT-GENERATION STORAGE

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SOUTH DAKOTA SCHOOL OF MINES AND TECHNOLOGY HIGHLIGHTS



- Established in 1885
- Wide array of BS, MS, and PhD degrees
- Perfect fit with next-generation ASSB technology
- Sanford Underground Research Facility (SURF) - \$1B in 2020
- Ellsworth Air Force Base; Expansion for B-21 project
- NSF IUCRC Center for green solid-state Electric Power Generation and Storage (CEPS)

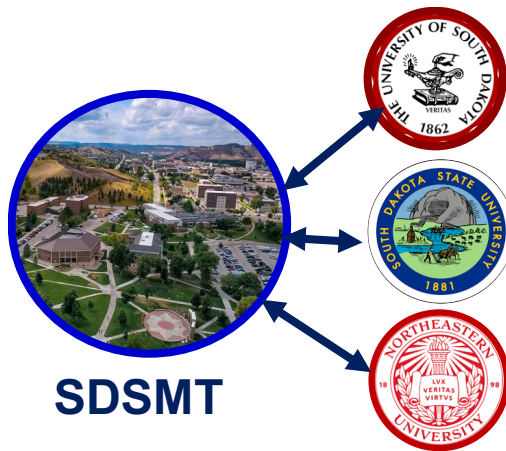
NSF IUCRC CENTER FOR GREEN SOLID-STATE ELECTRIC POWER GENERATION AND STORAGE (CEPS)

- Acceleration of solid-state technology transfer to the market
- Pre-competitive research



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- THE GOVERNMENT



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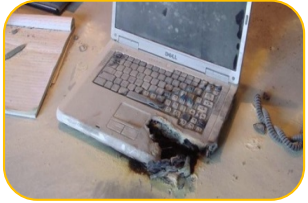
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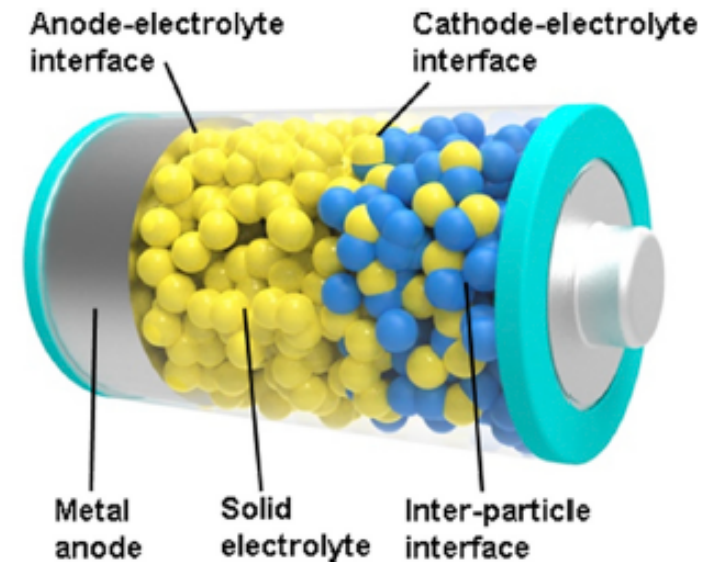
OUTLINE

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 - Glass-ceramic vs. ceramic electrolytes
 - Synthesis
- **Antiperovskites**
 - Chemical composition
 - Structure and morphology
 - Li-ion transport mechanisms
 - Doping for lithium storage
 - Electrochemical cells-interfaces

LIQUID VS. SOLID-STATE ENERGY STORAGE WISH LIST



- Safe
- Charge faster
- Cheaper
- Smaller
- Li anode
- Higher voltages
- More power
- Last longer
- Eco-friendly
- Work for all applications



Xu L, et al., Interfaces in solid-state lithium batteries. *Joule*. (2018) 17;2(10)1991-2015. 5

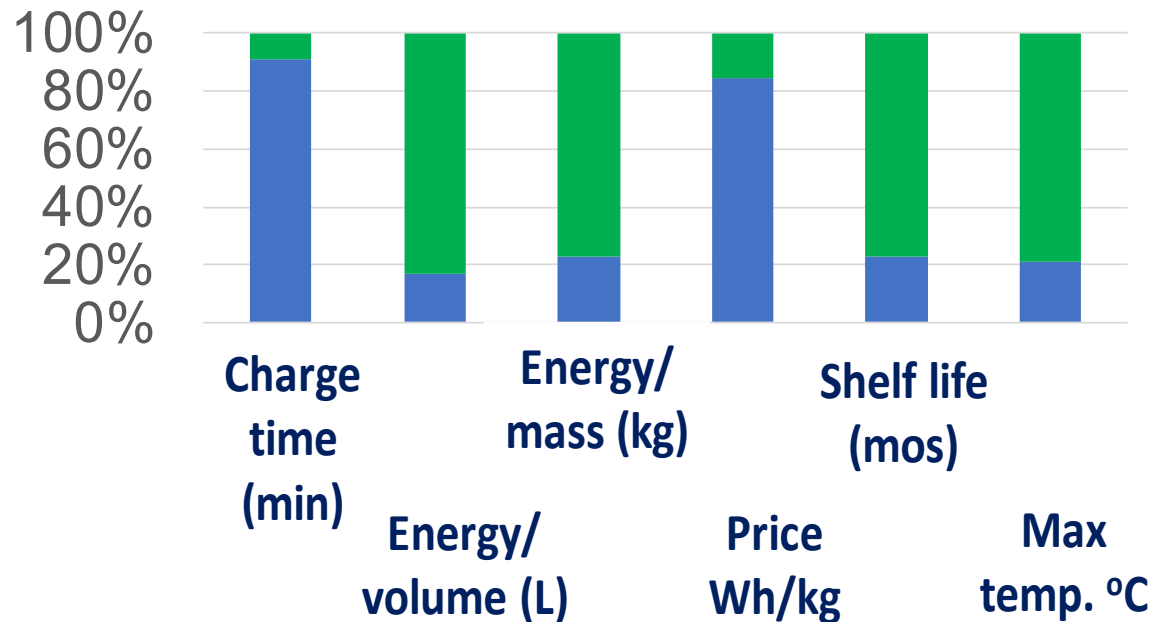
EXPECTATIONS FROM SOLID-STATE

- Major consortia/centers focused on energy storage:
 - Joint Center for Energy Storage Research (JCESR)
 - International/national collaborative projects

■ Battery with liquid electrolyte

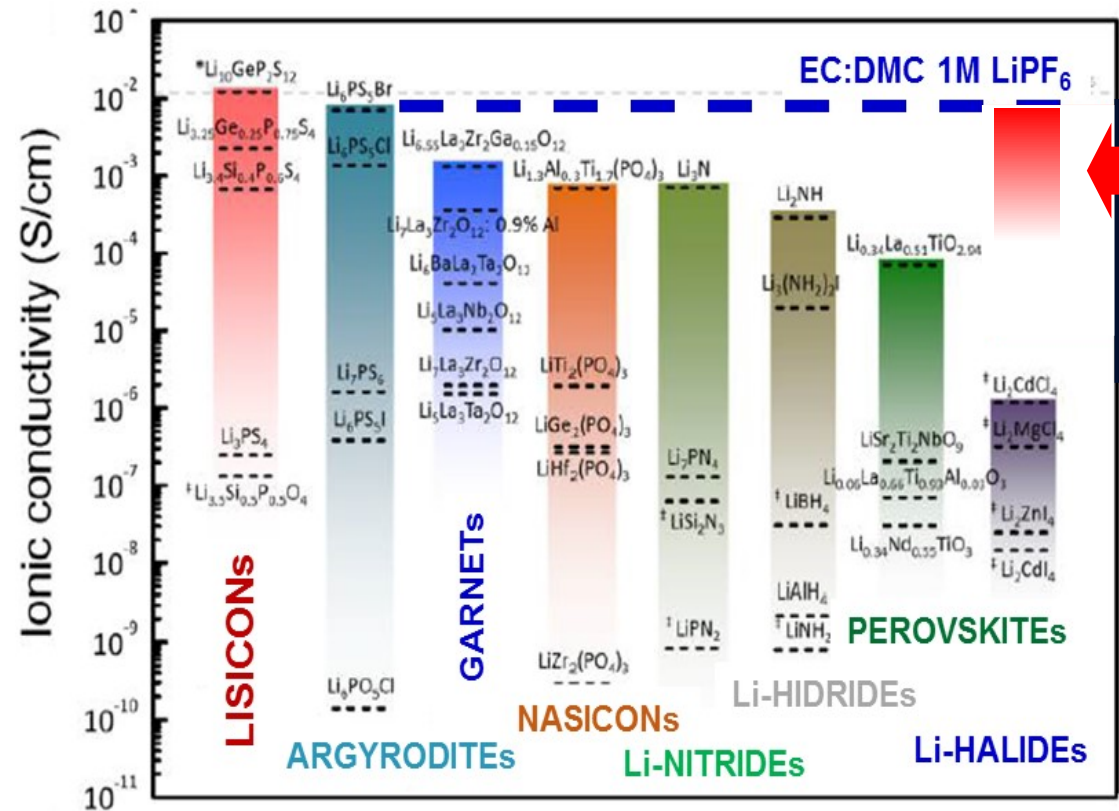
■ Battery with solid electrolyte; no liquid electrolyte

Lithium Ion Battery with and without liquid



SOLID-STATE ELECTROLYTES: BIG PICTURE

- Major problems:
 - Lithium-ion diffusion
 - Grain boundary effects
 - Electrochemical stability
 - Materials cost
 - Processability



Bachman et al., Chemical reviews (2015) 116(1) 140-162.

Wu et al., Ren. and Sust. En. Reviews, 109(2019) 367-385.

GLASS-CERAMIC VS. CERAMIC ELECTROLYTES

Properties

**Ceramic, e.g.
Garnets**

Glass-ceramic

$\text{Li}_3\text{P}_7\text{S}_{11}$, $\text{Li}_{10}\text{GeP}_2\text{S}_{12}$, and Na_3PS_4

SYNTHESIS OF LI-ION GLASS-CERAMIC ELECTROLYTES

From aqueous solutions

- Dissolution of inorganic precursors in water
- H₂O evaporation
- Heat-treatment in vacuum for at least 48 hr

Zhao, Daemen, Braga (2012) WO Patent 2,012,112,229.

Pulsed laser deposition

- Composite target from mixed inorganic precursors
- Spray deposition on heated substrate (100-400°C)
- Heat-treatment in vacuum for 48 hr

Lu, Daemen, Zhao (2015) US20150364788A1

Spray pyrolysis

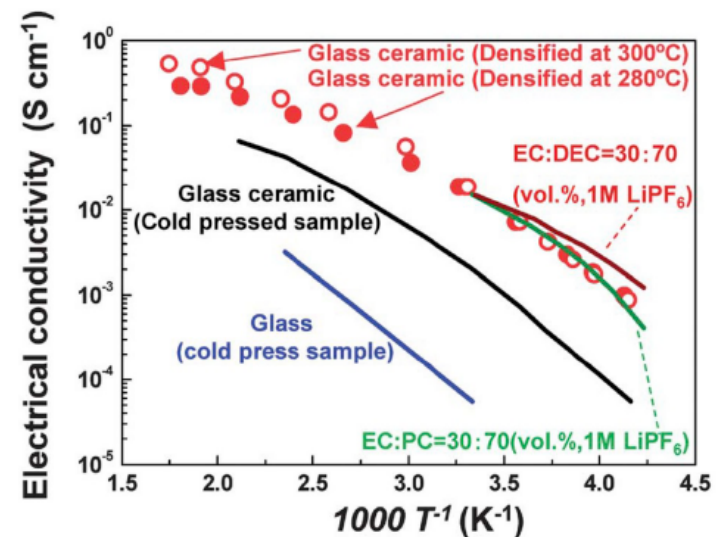
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Oladeji, US 8,349,498 B2, 2013.

From solid-state precursors

- Mechanical ball milling (~400 rpm; 20 hr)
- Melt quenching/hot-pressing
- Sintering at elevated pressures and temperatures

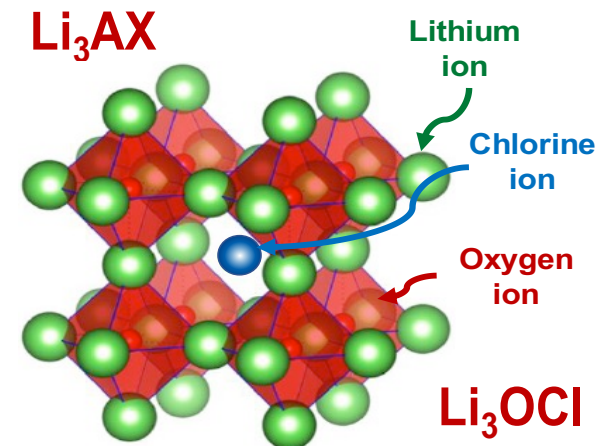
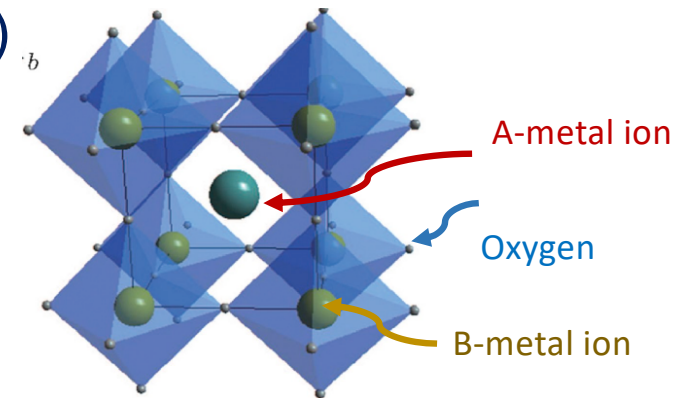
Zhao, Daemen, (2016) US Patent 9,246,188 B2.



Wu et al., Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews, 109(2019)367-385

ANTIPEROVSKITE FAMILY

- Perovskites: ABO_3 , e.g. $Li_{3x}La_{2/3-x}TiO_3$ (LLTO)
 - $Li_{3/8}Sr_{7/16}Ta_{3/4}Hf_{1/4}O_3$ (LSHT) $\sigma=3.8 \times 10^{-4}$ S/cm at 25°C; $E_a=0.36$ eV
- Antiperovskites: $ABX_3 = X_3AB$
 - X: metal (Li^+ , H^+ , group II, or TMs)
 - A: halogen (F^- , Cl^- , Br^- , I^-), chalcogen (S, Se, Te), or a cluster ion
 - B: chalcogen (O, S, Se, Te)
- Lithium-ion transport:
 - Diffusion via interstitial sites
 - Migration through optimum channels
 - Hopping between sites
 - Aliovalent/interstitial substitution
 - Distribution of Li-ions at different sites
 - Distortion /Disorder at sublattices



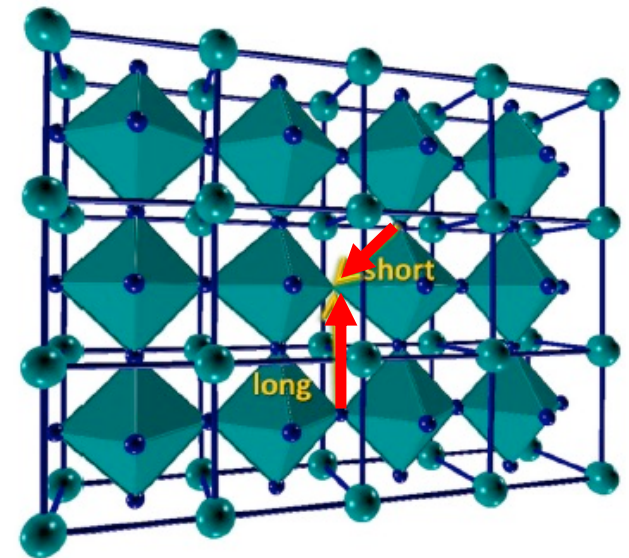
Zhao and Daemen, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 2012, 134, 15042–15047

Li, Goodenough, et al., *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* 2016, 55, 9965–9968

Zhang et al., *J. Power Sources* 389 (2018) 198–213

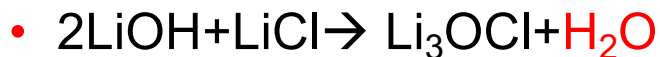
LITHIUM-ION MIGRATION MECHANISMS IN ANTIPEROVSKITES

- Cubic structure promotes 3D Li^+ diffusion
- Two migration mechanisms
 - Through vacancies as charge carriers
 - Interstitial migration
- In LiCl-deficient antiperovskites: interstitial migration is due to charge compensation (increase of interstitial sites)



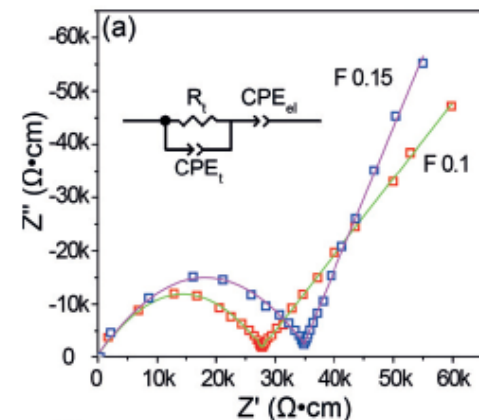
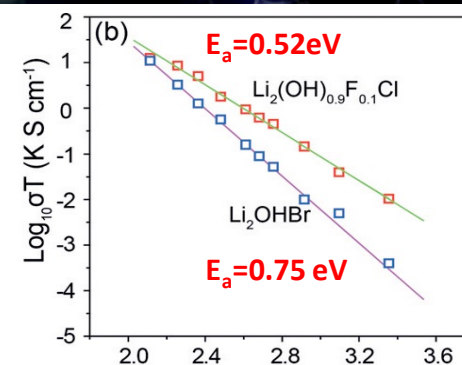
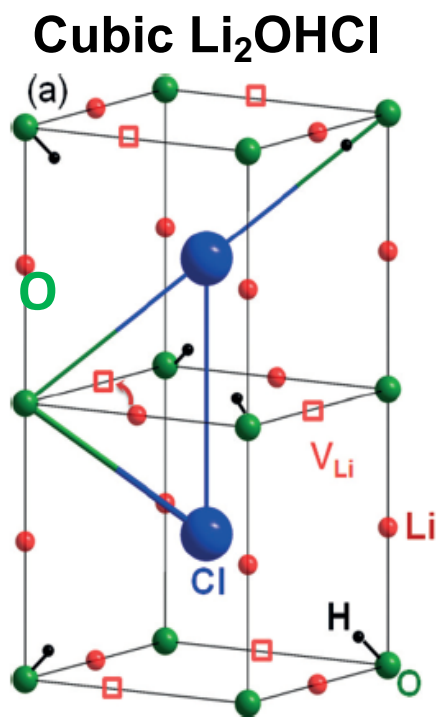
ROLE OF H₂O in ANTIPEROVSKITE CRYSTAL STRUCTURE FORMATION

350°C



600°C

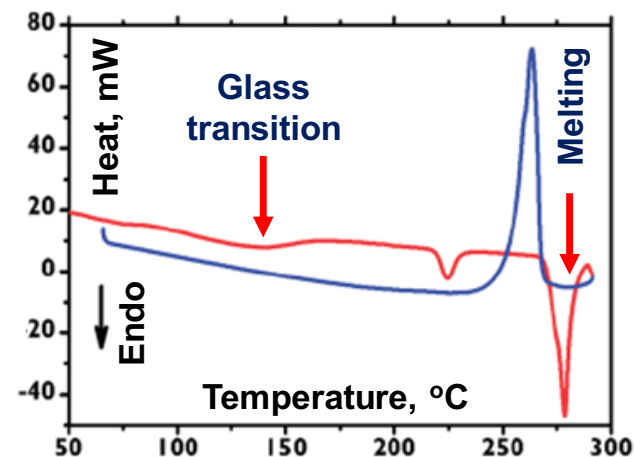
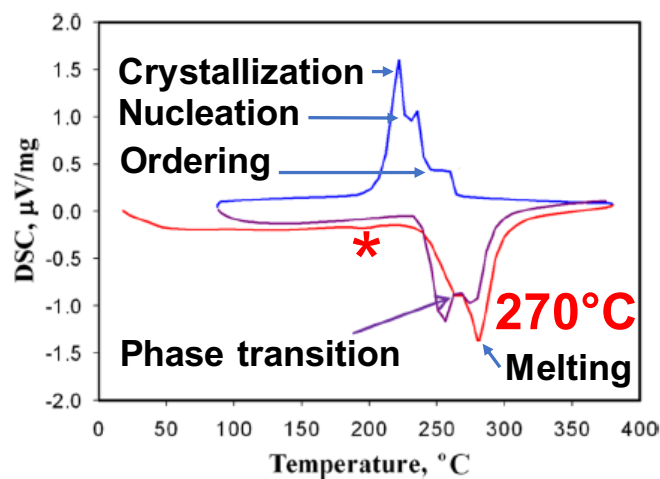
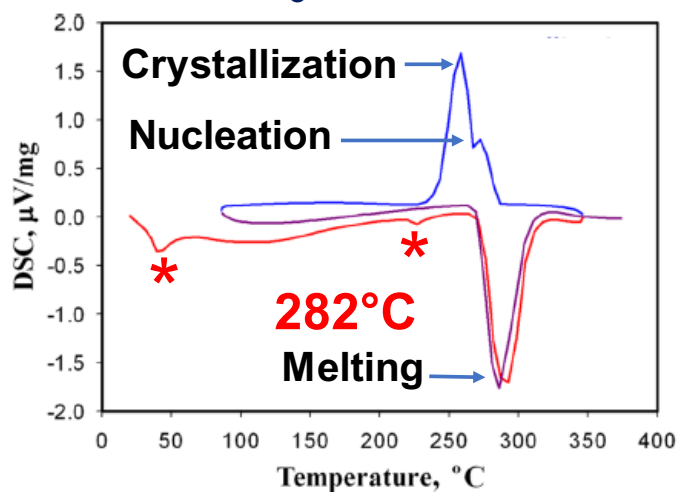
- $\text{Li}_2\text{O} + \text{LiCl} \rightarrow ?$
- No reaction even at 600°C
- H₂O plays significant role in formation of cubic phase
- $\text{Li}_{3-x}\text{OH}_x\text{X}$ (X=Cl and Br)



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STRUCTURAL AND PHASE TRANSFORMATIONS IN ANTIPEROVSKITES

Differential Scanning Calorimetry (DSC)

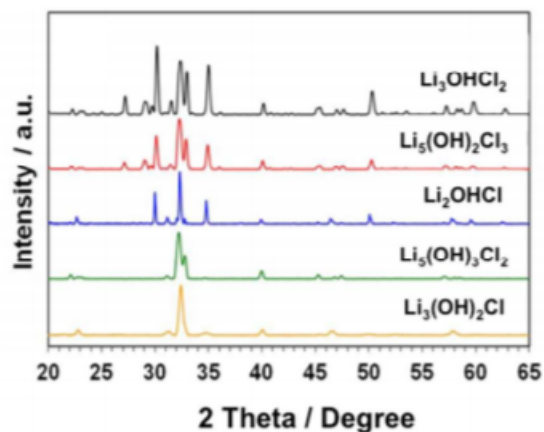


- * Endothermic peaks due to local disorder- octahedral tilting
- * Substitution of halogens is an efficient method of structural manipulation

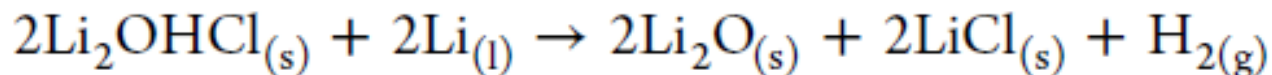
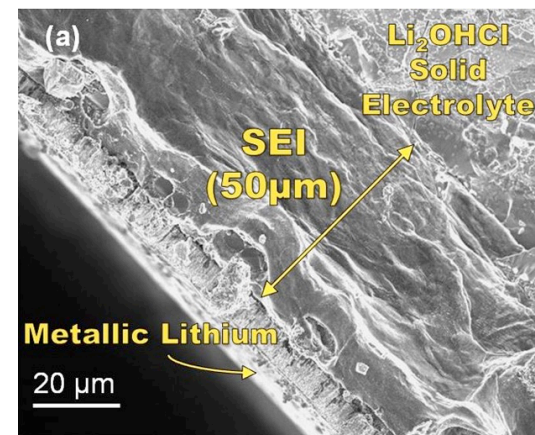
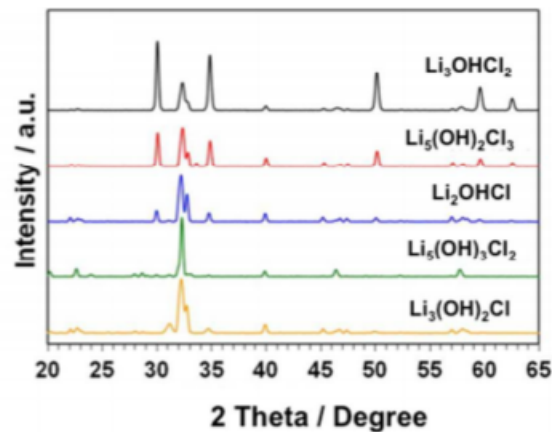
EFFECT OF COOLING AND STABILITY IN PRESENCE OF LITHIUM METAL

LiOH : LiCl= 1:2, 2:3, 1:1, 3:2, and 2:1

Fast cooling



Slow cooling (8°C/hr)



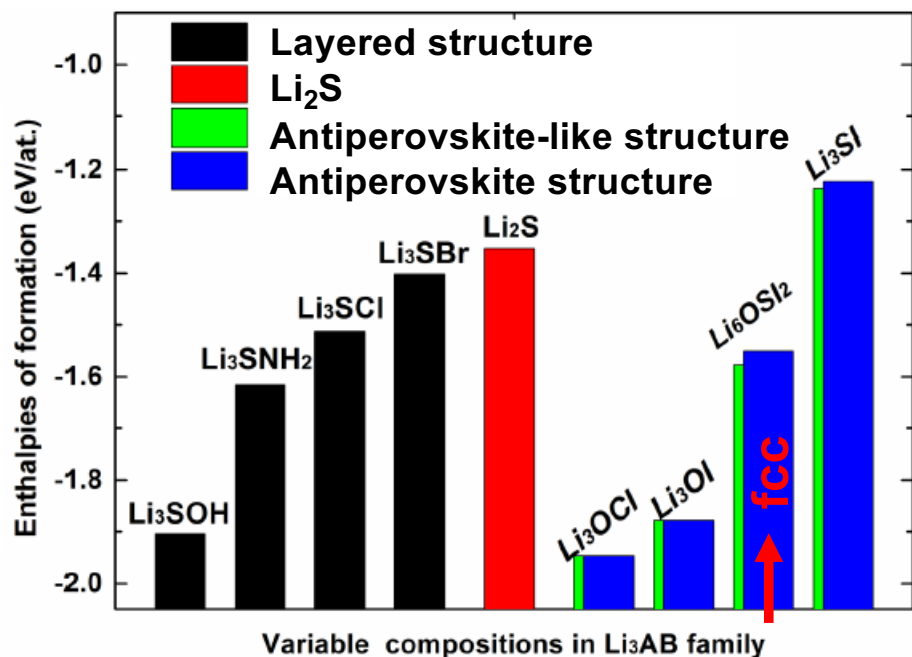
- Decomposition of Li_3OCl into precursors in presence of molten lithium

- Superior stability against Li anode
- Extreme conditions above the melting point of Li metal

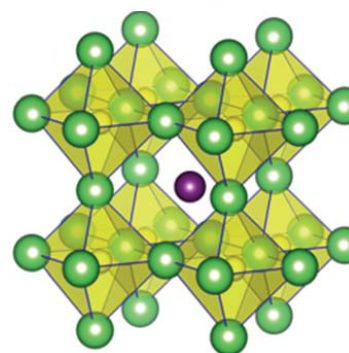
ANTIPEROVSKITE DOPING FOR LIB ELECTROLYTES



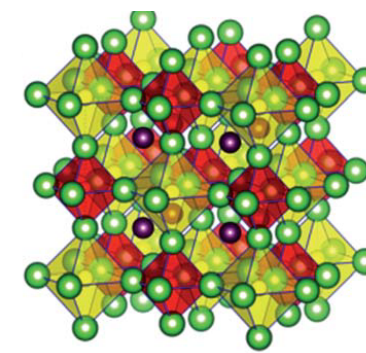
Ab Initio Simulation



- Li₃OCl → Li₃SCL adopts a layered structure
- Li₃SCL → Li₃SBr or non-halogen functional groups such as NH₂⁻ or OH⁻
- Substitution of O with S: increase in lattice parameters associated with weakened binding



Li₃SI



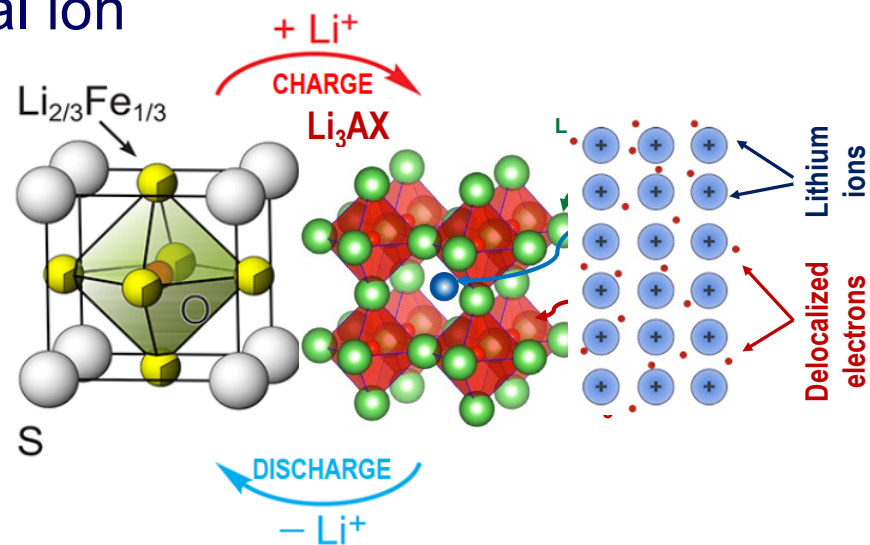
Li₆OSI₂

ANTIPEROVSKITE DOPING FOR LIB CATHODES

- Displacement of Li^+ in Li_3AX for metal ion
- Results in higher Li^+ mobility
- Isotropic 3-D Li^+ migration
- High storage capacity

- $\text{Li}_2\text{O} + \text{Fe} + \text{Ch} \rightarrow (\text{Li}_2\text{Fe})\text{ChO}$
- $\text{Ch} = \text{S}, \text{Se}, \text{Te}$ (750°C and 10^{-4}mbar)

- $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSeO} = 163 \text{ mAh/g}$
- $\text{Li}_2\text{FeSO} = 227 \text{ mAh/g}$

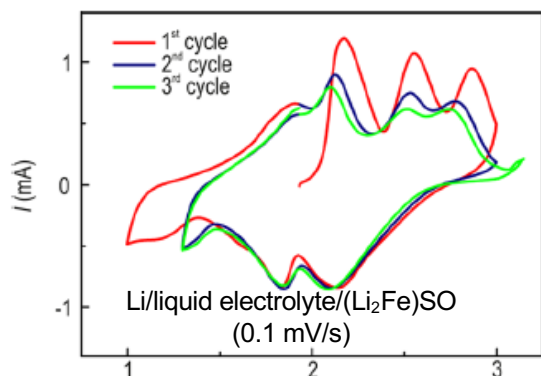


**$(\text{Li}_2\text{Fe})\text{TeO}$ antiperovskite
CATHODE**

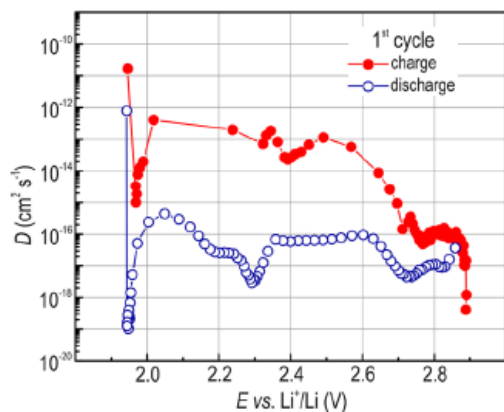
**LITHIUM METAL
ANODE**

Martin Valldor group: Anti-Perovskite Li-Battery Cathode
Materials J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2017, 139, 9645–9649

LI-ION STORAGE MECHANISMS IN ANTIPEROVSKITES



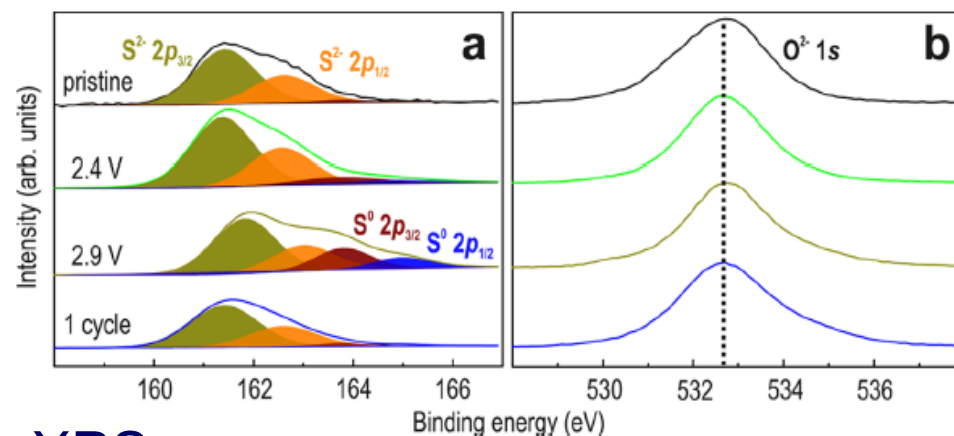
- Few phases during Li extraction/insertion
- Intermediate compound (Li_xFe)SO ($x = 0.8$)



- Li^+ extraction (charging) \gg faster than insertion

XANES (Fe K edge):

- Fe valence state: +2/+3
- Upon Li extraction (charging): Fe^{2+} oxidized
- Fe nearest neighbor (Li, Fe): 2.8Å



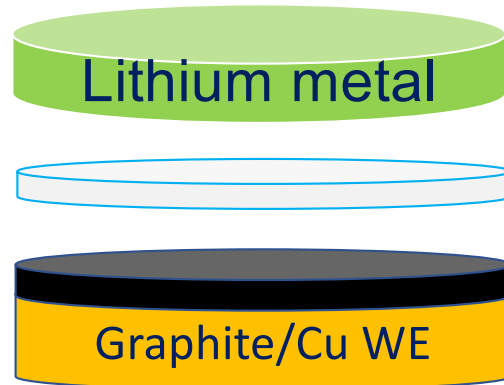
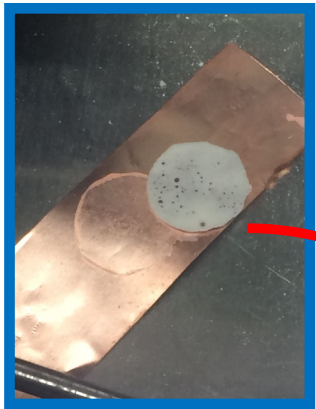
XPS:

- Partial oxidation of S^{2-}

ANTIPEROVSKITES IN HALF-CELLS

Methods:

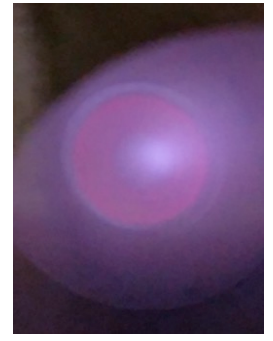
- Delamination
- MS-PVD



Cast glass-ceramic electrolyte target

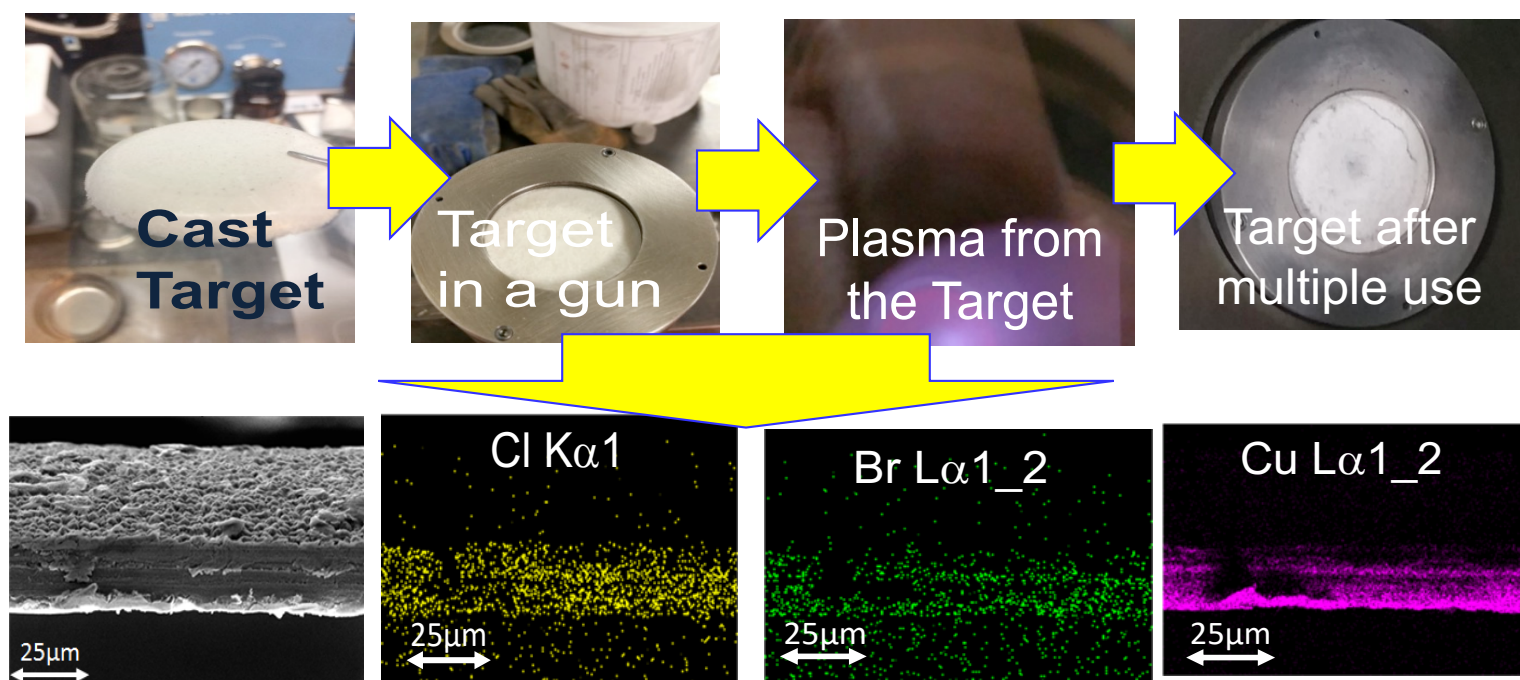


Electrolyte target in PVD gun



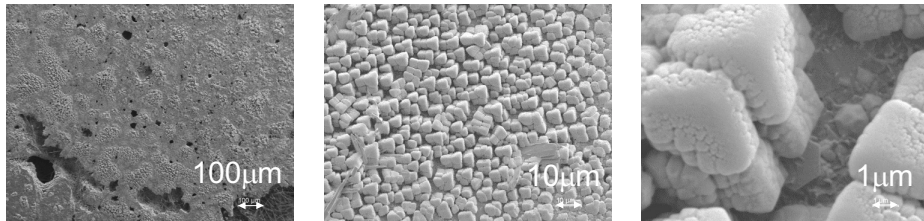
Plasma from the electrolyte target

Example: Collaboration between SDSMT and NanoCoatings, Phase II DOD project Plasma (MS-PVD) for DESIGN of antiperovskites

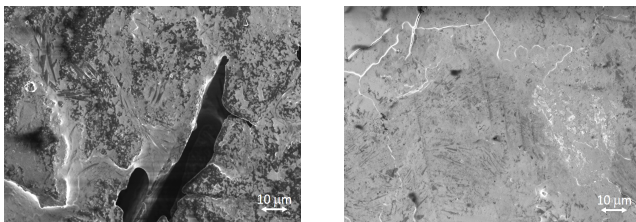


Mechanical and chemical stability of the antiperovskites electrolyte in MS-PVD has been confirmed (DOD Phase I)

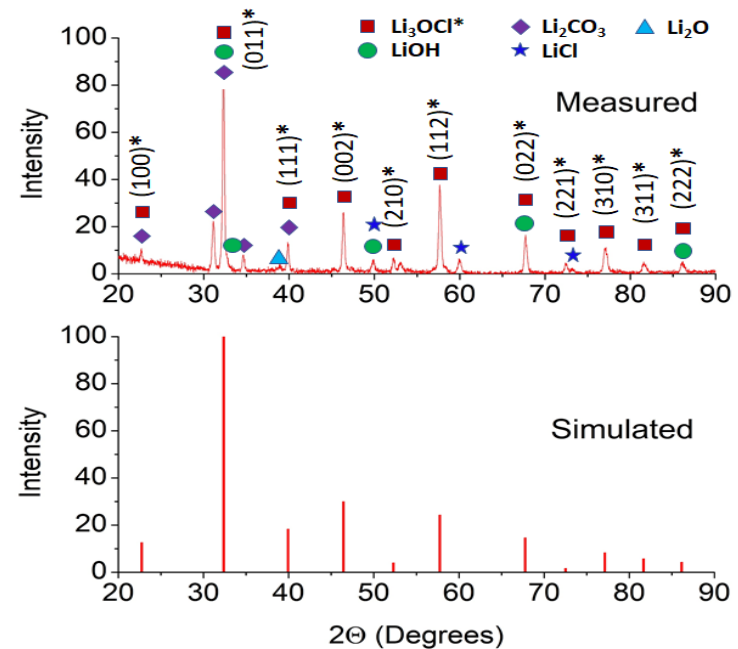
ANTIPEROVSKITE CRYSTAL STRUCTURE IN MOISTURE-FREE ENVIRONMENT



- Slow cooling initiates formation of crystal structure
- Properties similar to sulfides

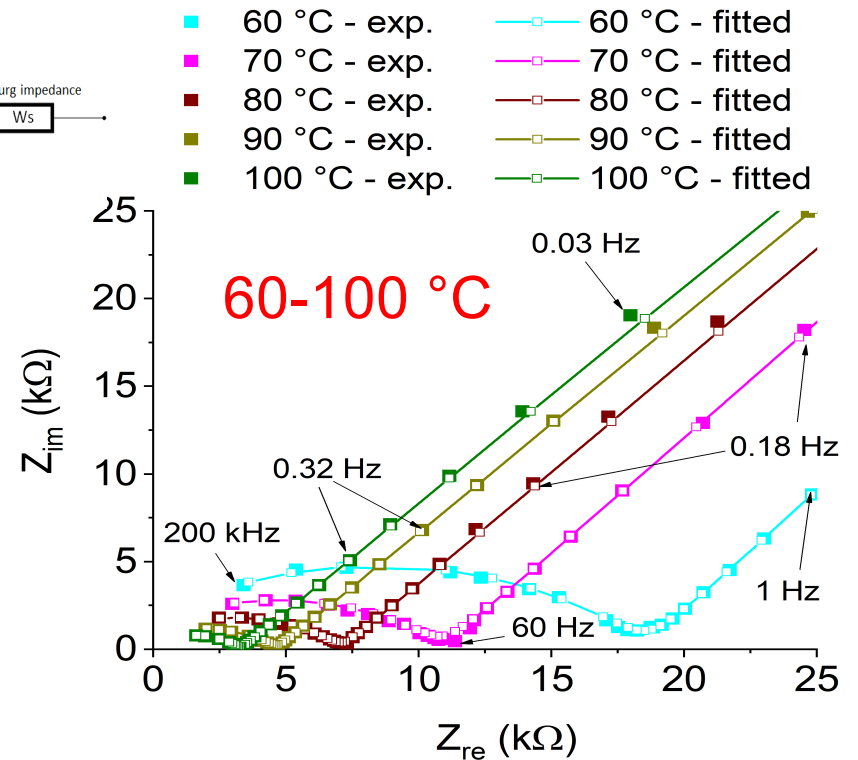
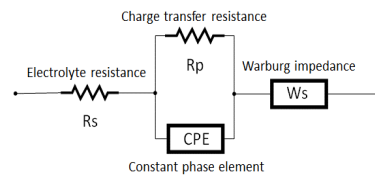
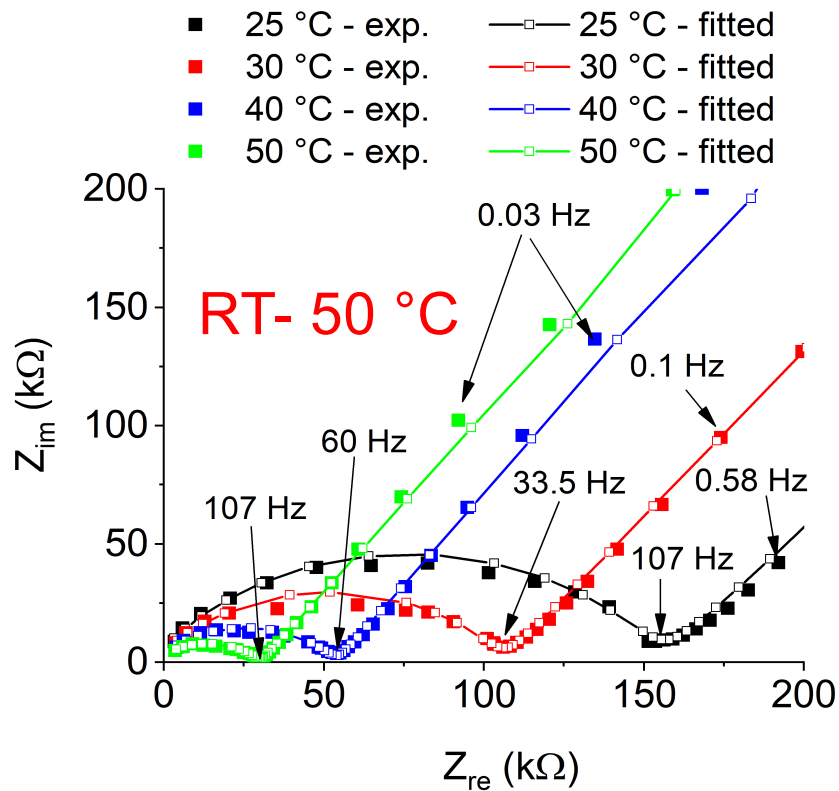


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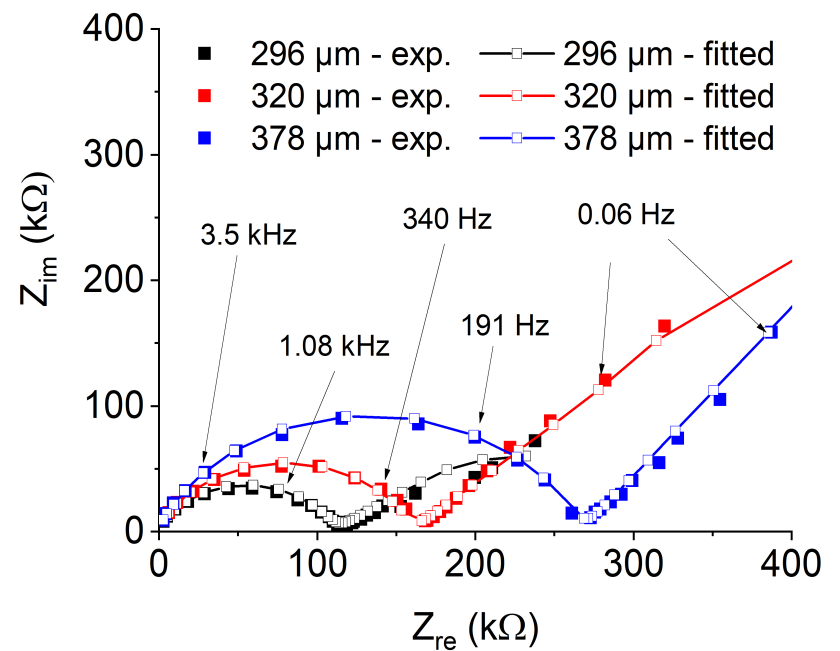
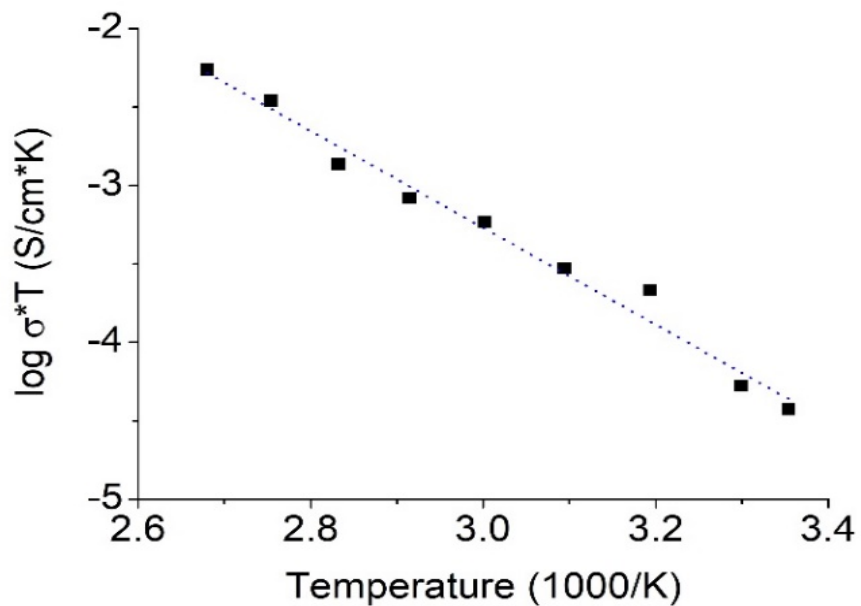
CONDUCTIVITY AT DIFFERENT TEMPERATURES

Cu-C/lithium halide/Li metal (0.05V-1.00V)



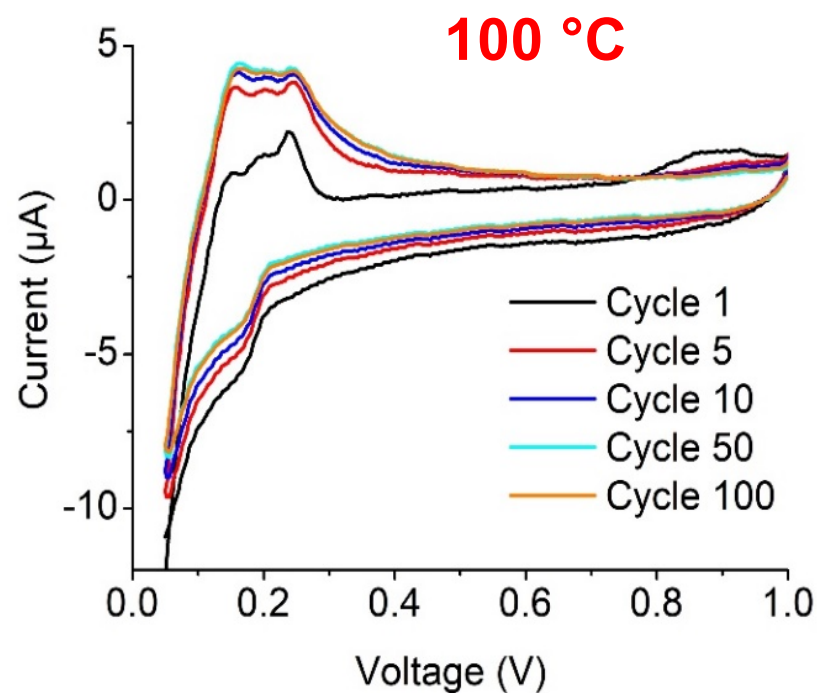
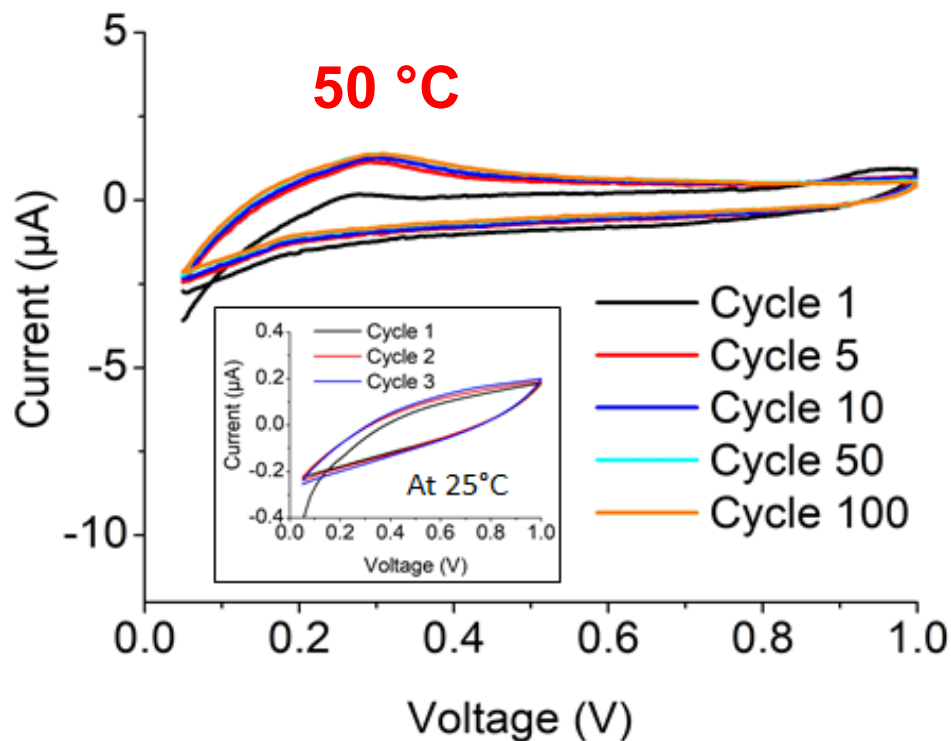
TEMPERATURE AND THICKNESS EFFECTS

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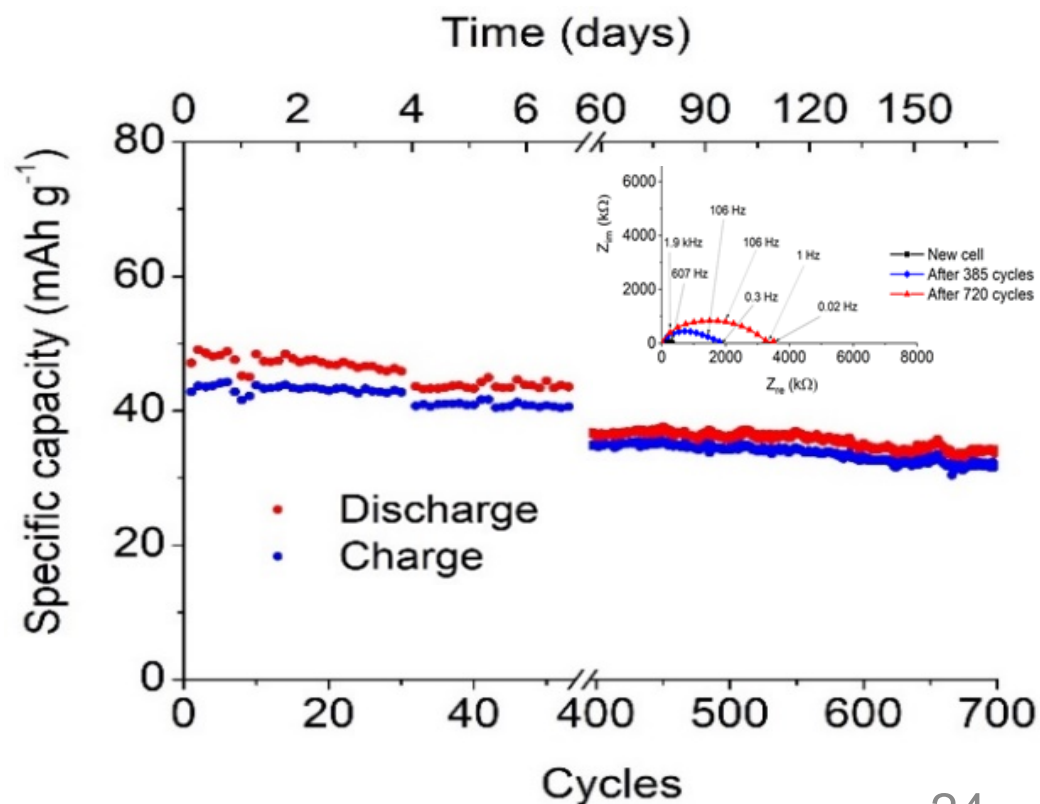
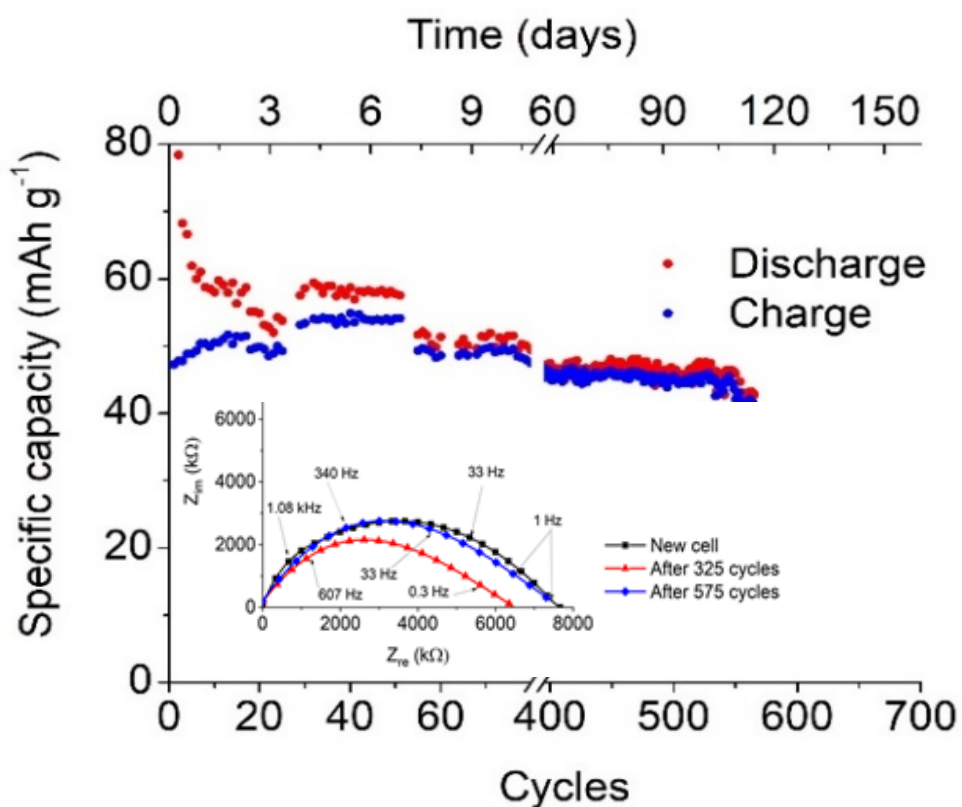
CYCLIC VOLTAMMETRY

Cu-C/Lithium halide/Li metal (0.05V-1.00V)



ELECTROCHEMICAL STABILITY VS. LITHIUM

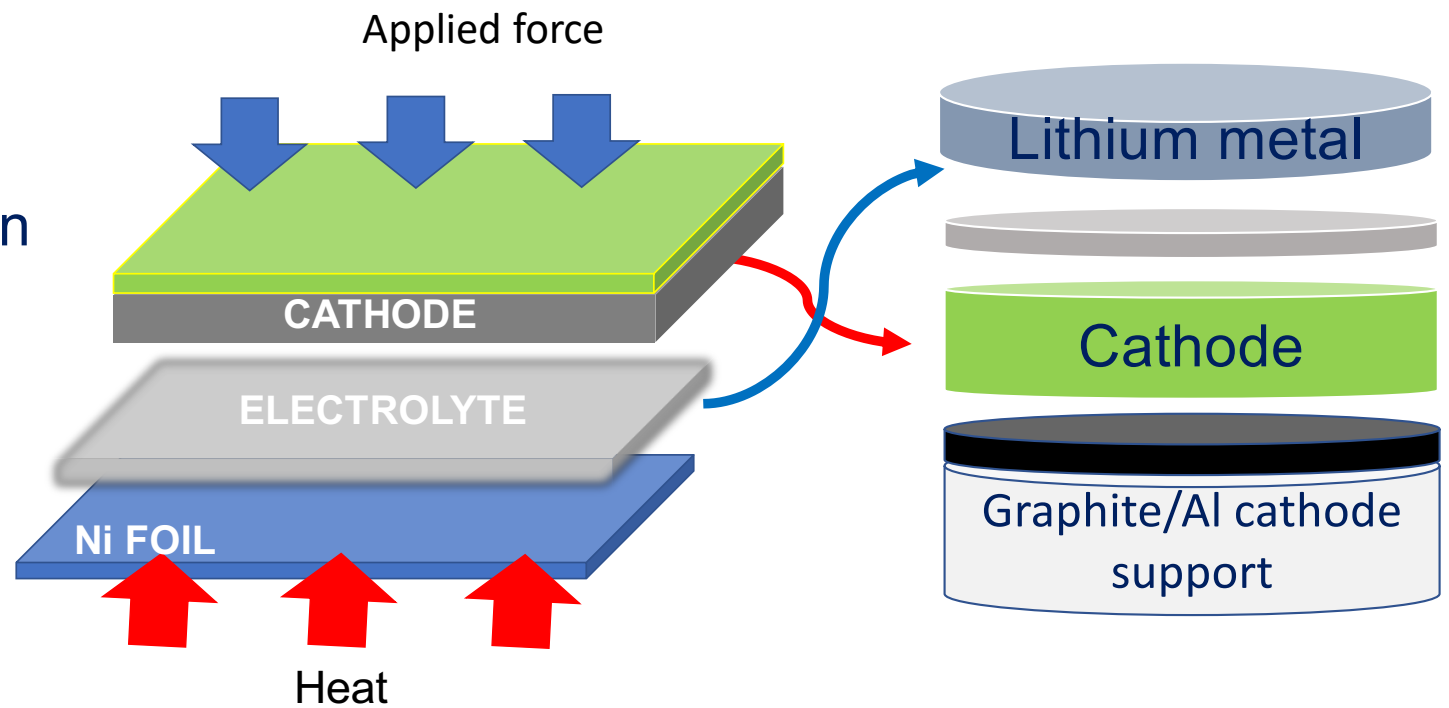
Cu-C/electrolyte/Li metal (0.05V-1.00V)



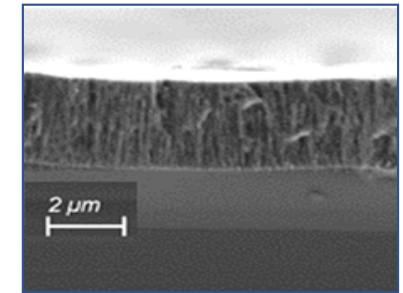
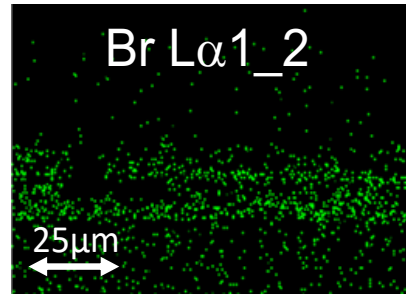
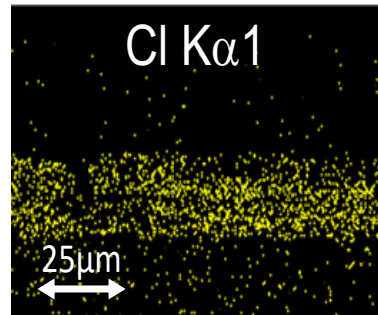
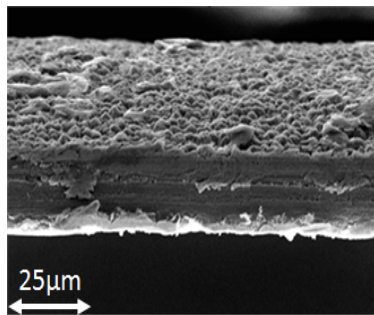
ANTIPEROVSKITES IN FULL CELLS

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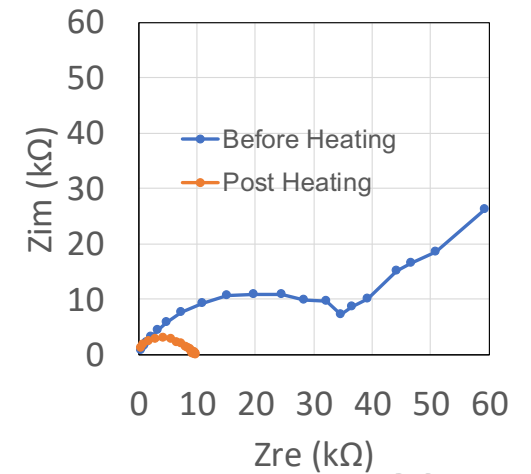
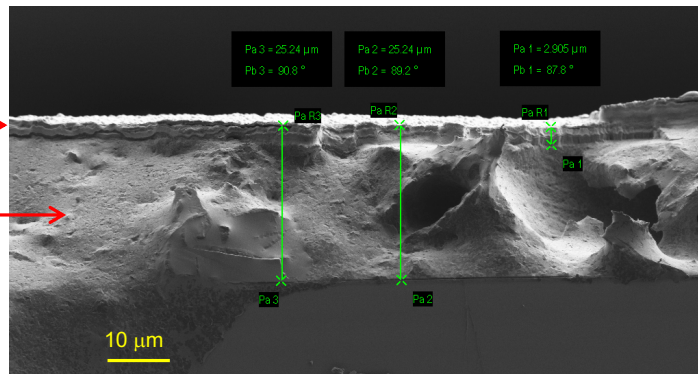
DEPOSITION BY PLASMA-ENHANCED PVD



Cathode columnar structure from the cathode target

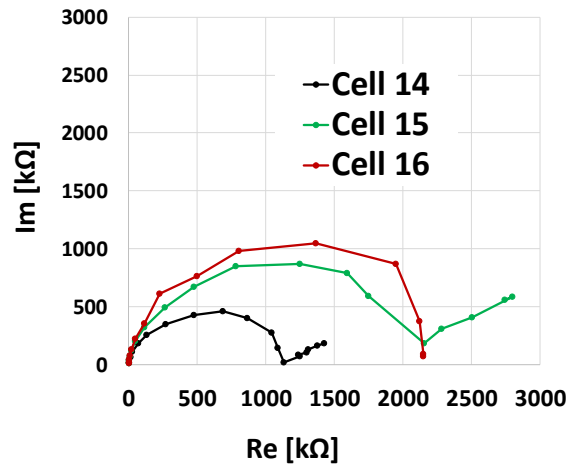
Al_2O_3 0.5 μm

Li-halide 25 μm

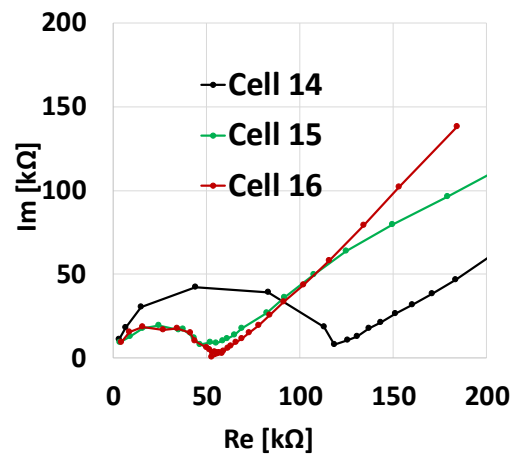


AC IMPEDANCE VS. TEMPERATURE AFTER CELL ASSEMBLY

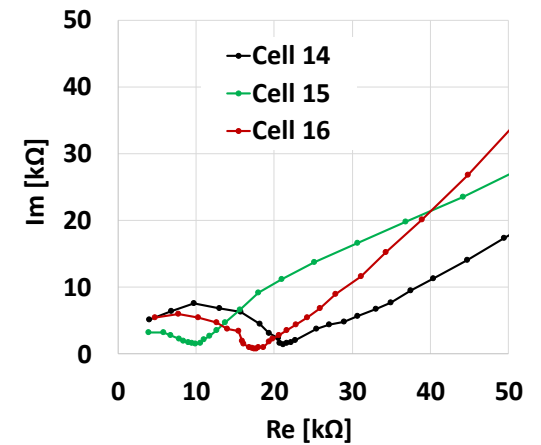
Al-C/LFP (90%), C(10%), Li₃ClO/ Li₃ClO/ Lithium



Room Temperature



50°C



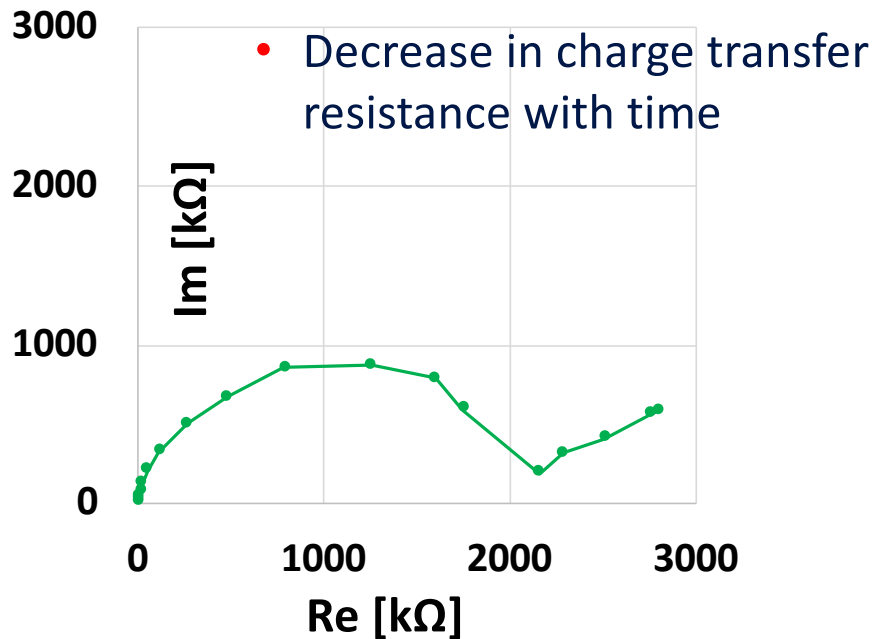
100°C

- Decrease in charge transfer resistance with temperature

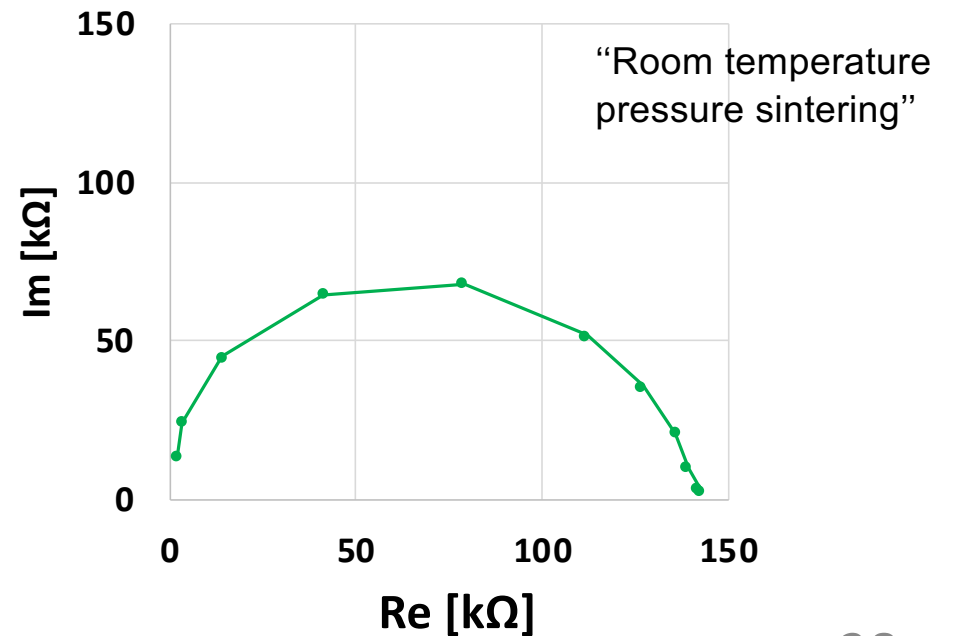
COMPARISON: AC IMPEDANCE BEFORE AND AFTER CELL EXPOSURE TO HIGHER TEMPERATURES

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Before testing



After exposure to 100°C



Sakuda A et. al., . Sulfide solid electrolyte with favorable mechanical property for all-solid-state lithium battery. Scientific reports. (2013) 3:2261.

INDUSTRIAL RELEVANCE OF ANTIPEROVSKITES

| | Garnets, e.g. LLZO* | Antiperovskites |
|--|--------------------------------|--|
| Melting/processing T | 400°C** high | 250-300°C low |
| Cost, \$ per kg | 6950 | ~100 |
| Morphology | Grain boundary effects | Amorphous |
| Conductivity at RT (Sm/cm) | 3×10^{-5} - 10^{-3} | 2×10^{-3} (PLD)-> 10^{-1} *** |
| Electrochemical stability in presence of Li metal* | Yes, red. potential 0.05V | Yes, impede formation of dendrites |
| Sensitivity to moisture and CO ₂ | Yes and CO ₂ | Moisture |
| Electrochemical window | >5V | >5V |
| Band gap | Appr. 6.4 eV**** | 5.0 [◇] - 8.5 eV*** |

*The lowest reduction potential (0.05 V) and the least favorable decomposition reaction energy (0.02 eV/ atom) at 0 V.

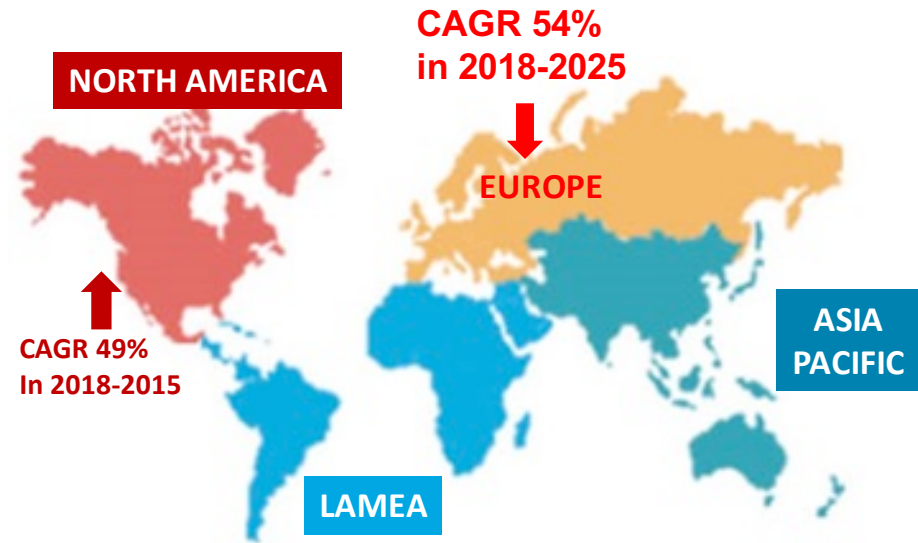
**Pfenninger et al., *Nature Energy*, 4, (2019) 475–483.

*** Cluster ions, e.g. BH₄^{****} Thompson, *ACS Energy Lett.*, 2 (2017) 462–468.

◇Zhang, *Phys. Review B*, 87 (2013) 134303.

CONCLUSIONS: WHAT NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED

- Coupled morphological, electrochemical, and mechanical behavior of antiperovskites
- Origins of spatial/temporal variations at the interfaces, both cathode and anode to move this technology forward



GLOBAL SOLID-STATE LI-ION BATTERY MARKET POTENTIAL FORECAST BY REGION

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- Students
- NanoCoatings Inc.

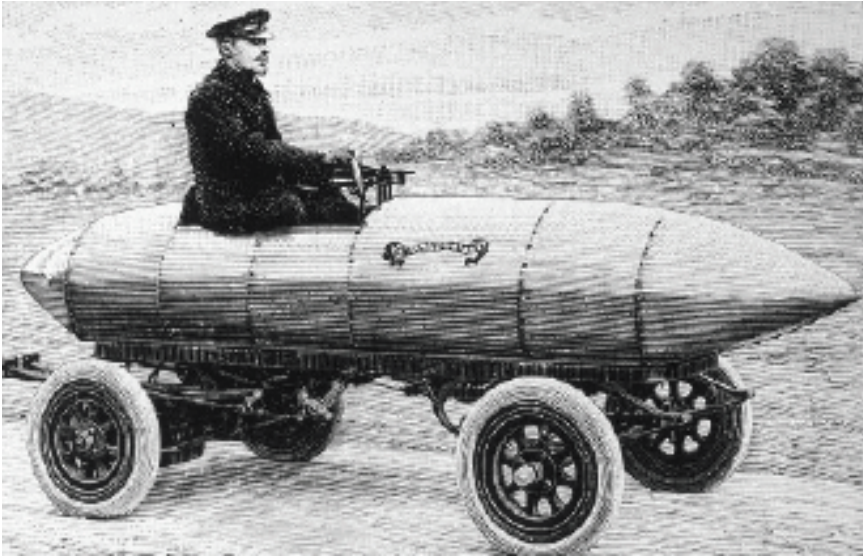


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QUESTIONS



1899, Belgium
Car with a **lead-acid battery**
Speed: 67 mph



2019, Ford F-150
Fully electric truck with a **lithium-ion battery**; Power: tows 1.25 million lb. train