

Development and application of CALB olivine-phosphate batteries

➤ **Agenda**

➤ **Introducing CALB**

➤ **Application and research on LFP/C batteries**

➤ **Development of high energy NCM+LMFP/C batteries**

➤ **Summary**

Company profile

- Set up in 2008, CALB is a leading company in power Li-ion battery manufacturing for various applications.
- A large state-owned enterprise with headquarter in Luoyang, China, and expanding globally.
- registered capitals \$130 million
- Since 2010, an investment of \$600 million was made to build the new industrial park, which covers an area of 86 acres.
- As going into 2014, CALB now has more than 1,700 professional staffs worldwide.



Competitiveness

One of the largest Specialized power Lithium Battery R&D and Production Project in China

EV Models Application
Ranking **Top** in China

Energy Storage Application
Ranking **Top** in China

Power Lithium Battery Export
Ranking **Top** in China

3 Automatic Production Lines
Production Capacity: **600MWH/year**

One of the Top Large-capacity LFP Power Battery Manufacturer in China



xEV



Market Application

Energy Storage



Mining Equipment



Telecommunication



Cell technology-material chemistry

➤ Prismatic cell

Positive active material:	LFP
Negative active material:	Graphite
Electrolyte:	LiPF6/carbonates
Separator:	PP/PE with ceramic coating
Hardware:	Aluminum or plastic case



➤ Pouch cell

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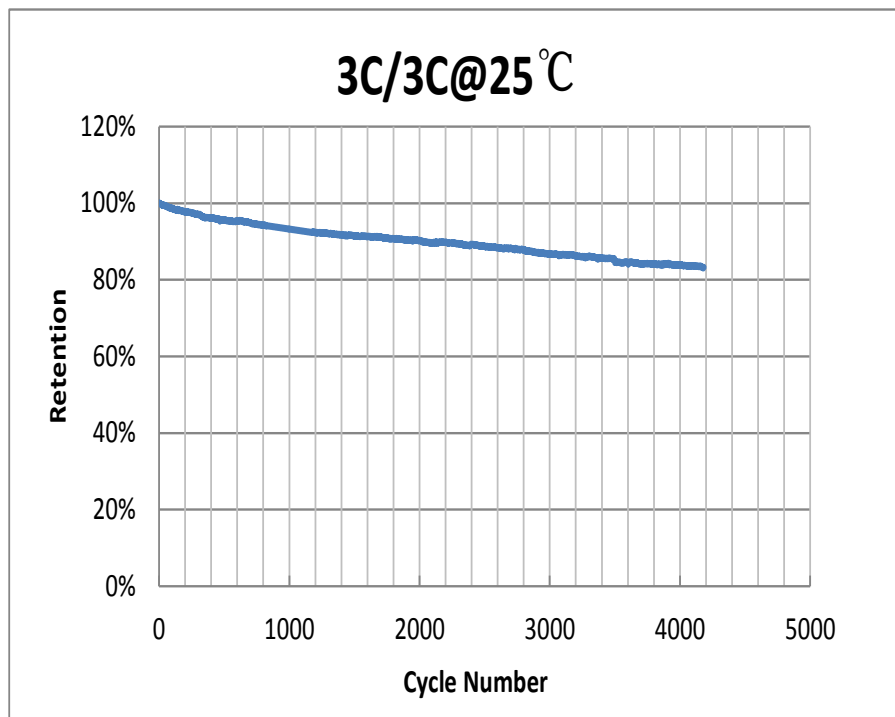


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Cell performance- long cycle life

Capacity: over 80% retention after 4000 cycles

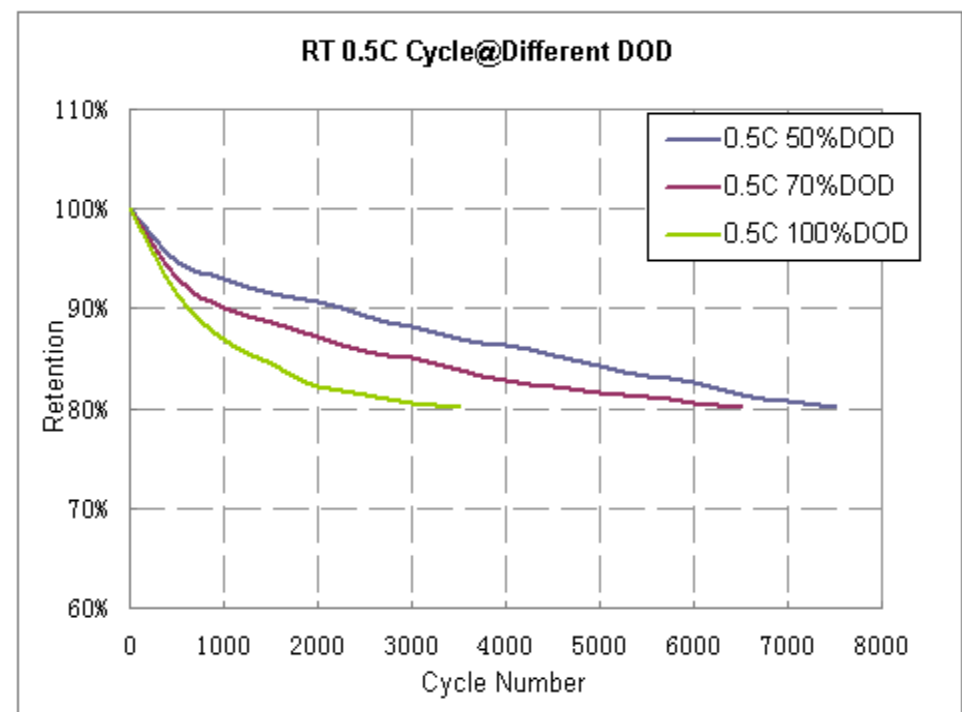
Test: 25°C, 80%DOD



CAM battery-xEV

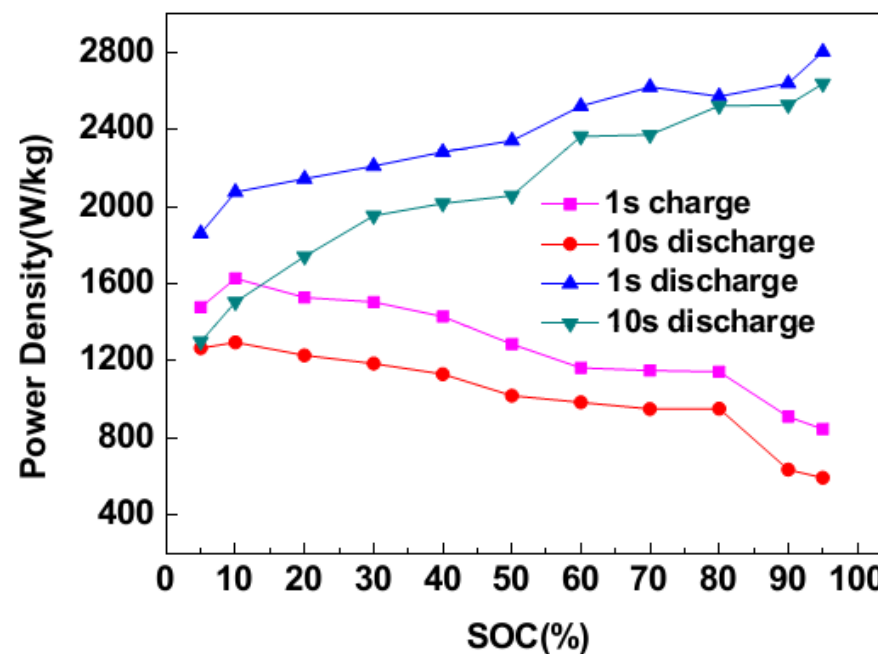
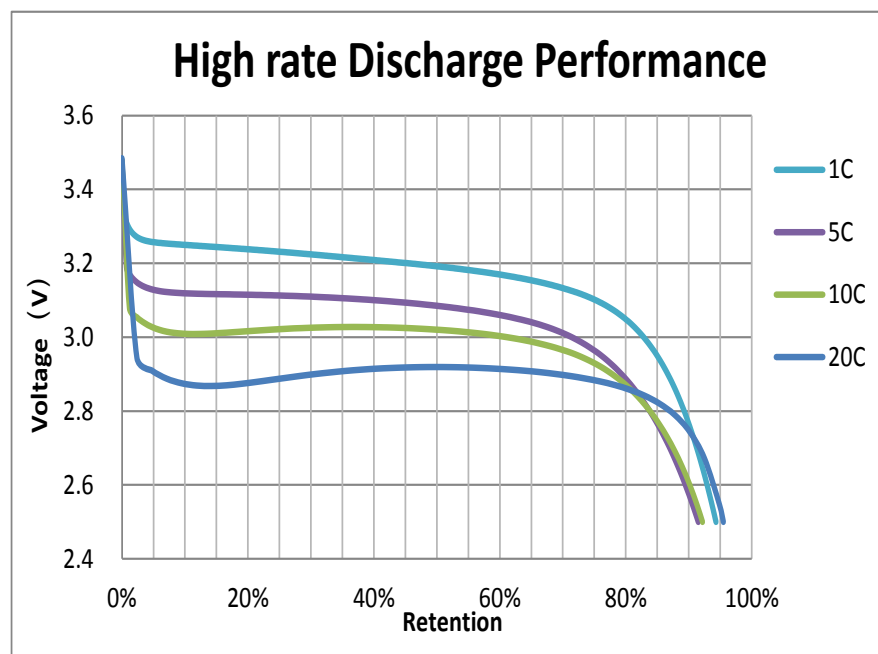
Capacity: over 80% retention after 7000 cycles

Test: 25°C, 50/70/100%DOD



CA battery-ESS

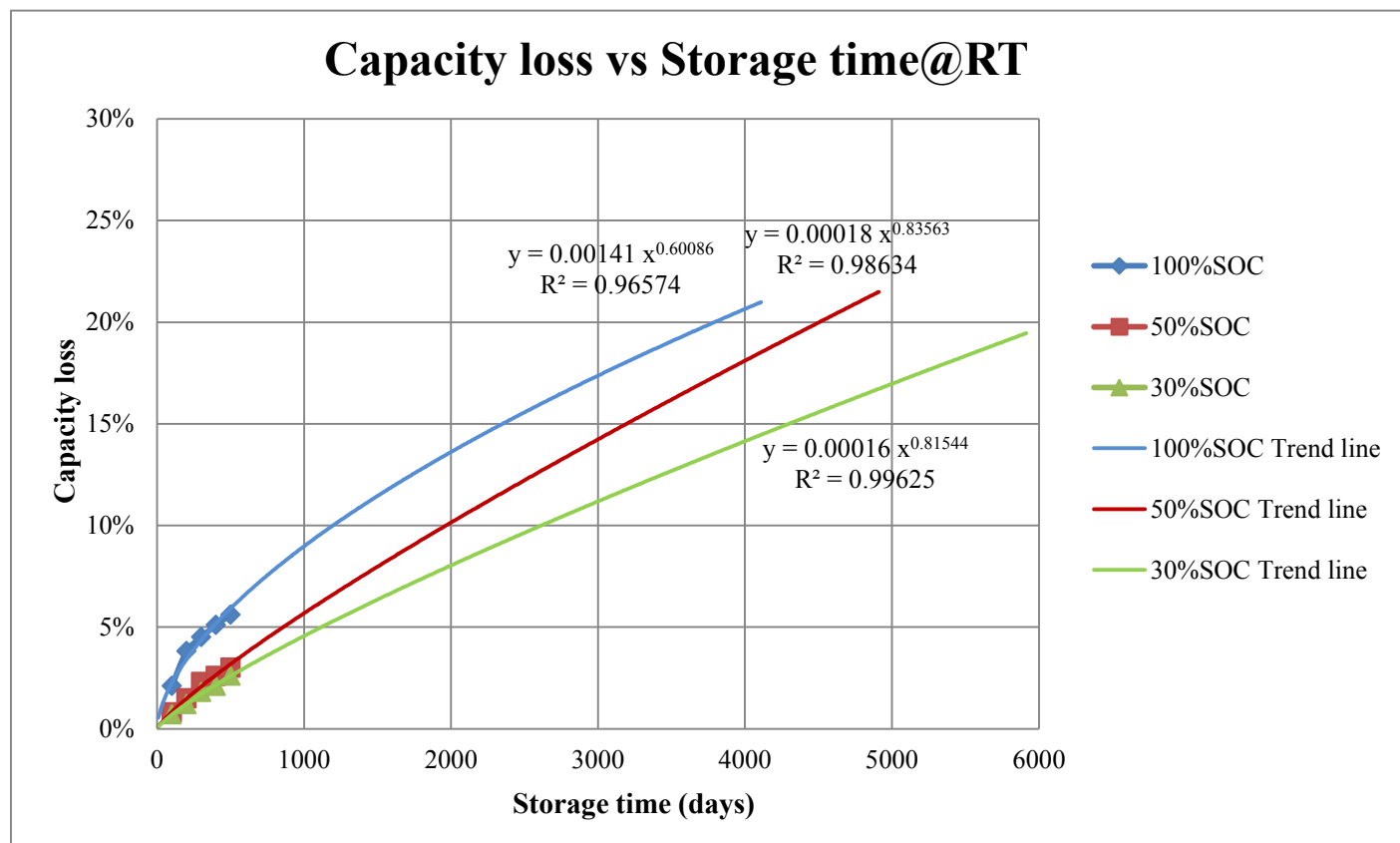
Cell performance- rate and pulse power capability



CAM battery-xEV

Cell performance- calendar life

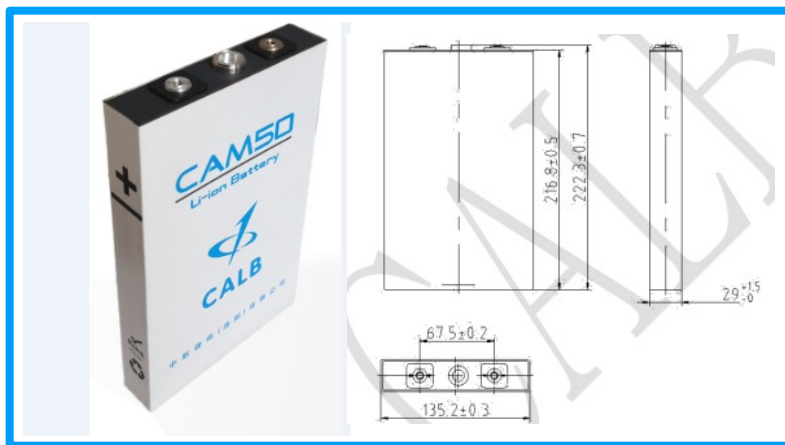
Natural degradation at rest



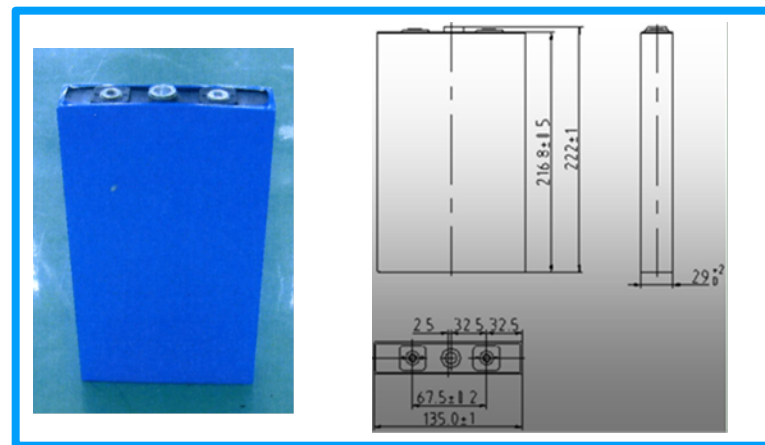
Calendar life over 10 years to match vehicle life

Cell performance- high safety

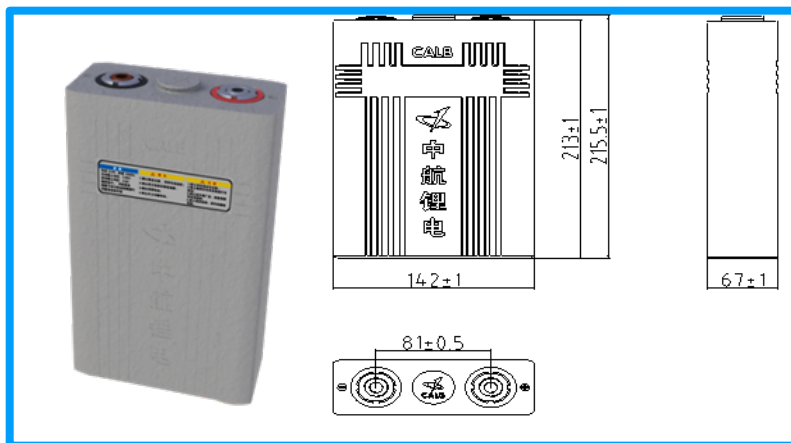
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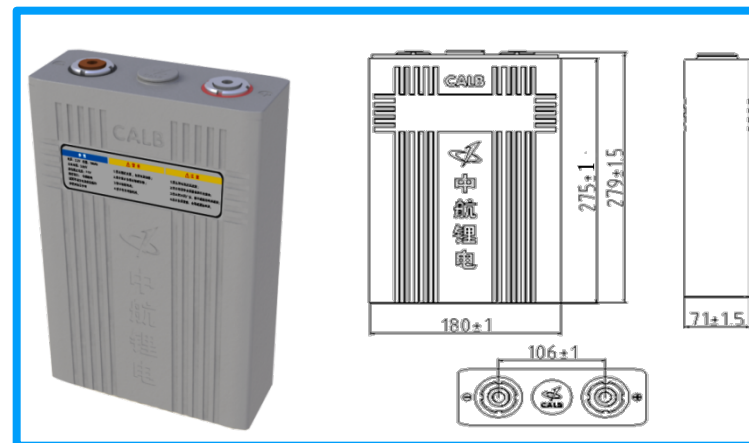
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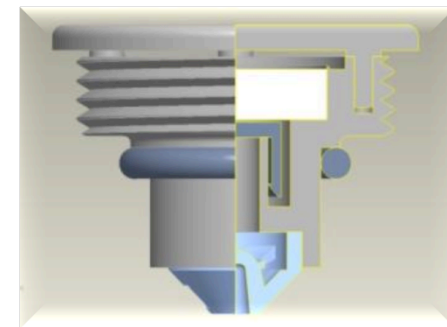
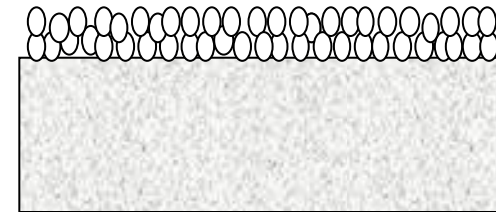
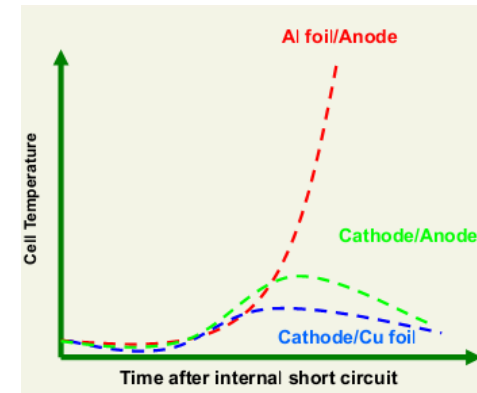
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Safety improvement approach

- Applying cathode electrode edge protection to prevent internal short between Al foil and anode
- Applying ceramic layer coating on separator/anode to prevent internal short and thermal runaway
- Applying safety vent with trigger pressure to prevent rapid gas buildup within the cell which might lead to explosion



Application of LFP /C battery

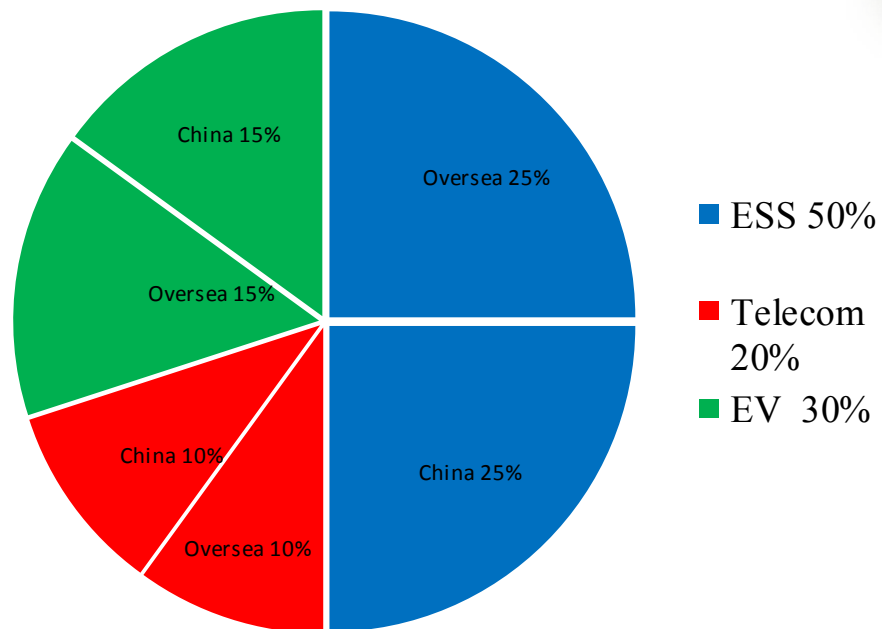
EV



Energy Storage



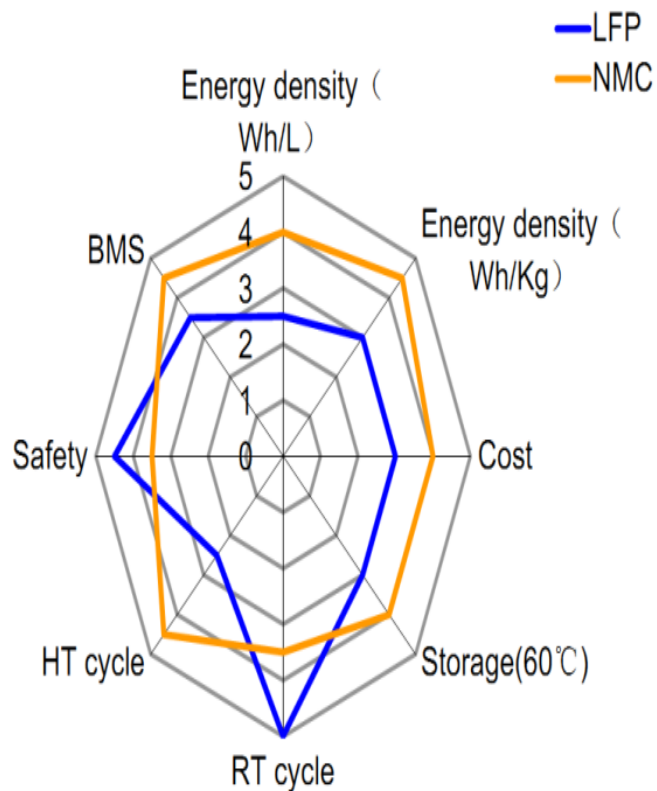
Revenue Decomposition



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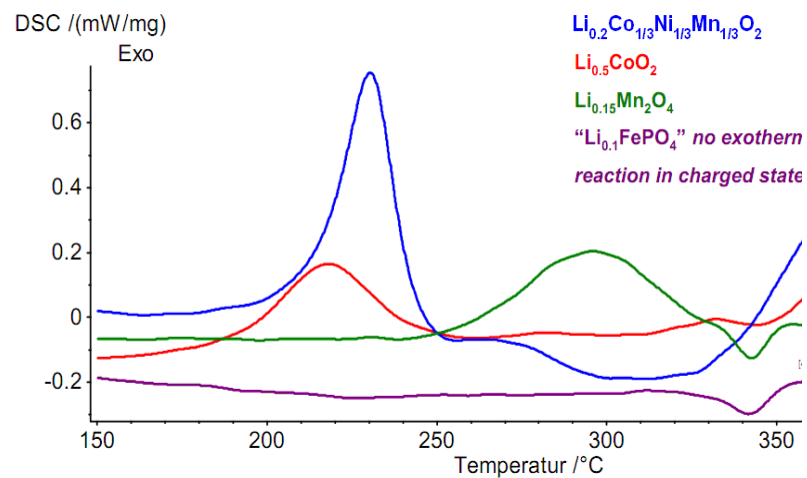


From LFP to NCM, significant energy density increase can be achieved, which is much needed in xEV application

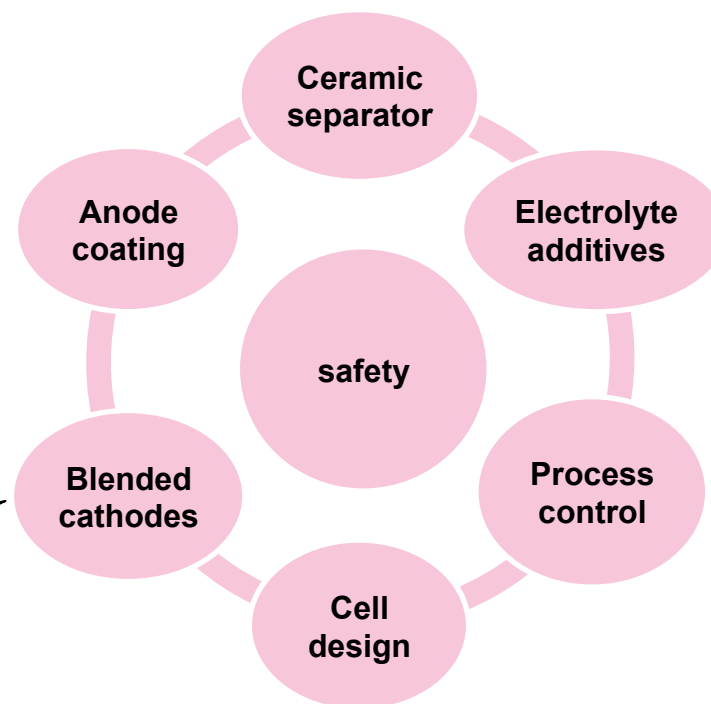
NCM based cathode dominates EV cells

Cell Maker	Chemistry	Capacity
	Anode/Cathode	Ah
AESC	G/LMO-NCA	33
LG Chem	G/NMC-LMO	36
Li-Tec	G/NMC	52
Li Energy Japan	G/LMO-NMC	50
Samsung	G/NMC-LMO	64
Lishen Tianjin	G-LFP	16
Toshiba	LTO-NMC	20
Panasonic	G/NCA	3.1

AABC, 2014



Safety improvement
 through



Inspiring works

Remarkable improvement in cell safety for $\text{Li}[\text{Ni}_{0.5}\text{Co}_{0.2}\text{Mn}_{0.3}]\text{O}_2$ coated with LiFePO_4

W.-S. Kim^a, S.-B. Kim^a, I.C. Jang^b, H.H. Lim^b, Y.S. Lee^{b,*}

$x\text{Li}_2\text{MnO}_3 \cdot (1-x)\text{LiMO}_2$ blended with LiFePO_4 to achieve high energy density and pulse power capability

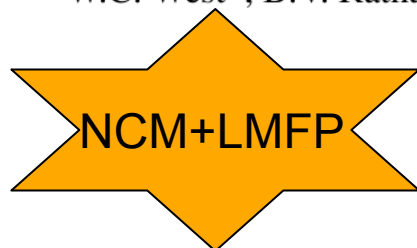
Kevin G. Gallagher^{a,*}, Sun-Ho Kang^a, Sei Ung Park^b, Soo Young Han^b

Effect of LiFePO_4 coating on electrochemical performance of LiCoO_2 at high temperature

Hong Wang^{a,*}, Wei-De Zhang^{b,*}, Lun-Yu Zhu^a, Ming-Cai Chen^a

Dual active material composite cathode structures for Li-ion batteries[☆]

J.F. Whitacre^{a,*}, K. Zaghib^b,
W.C. West^c, B.V. Ratnakumar^c



Coating or mixing with LFP can improve cell safety using layered cathode material

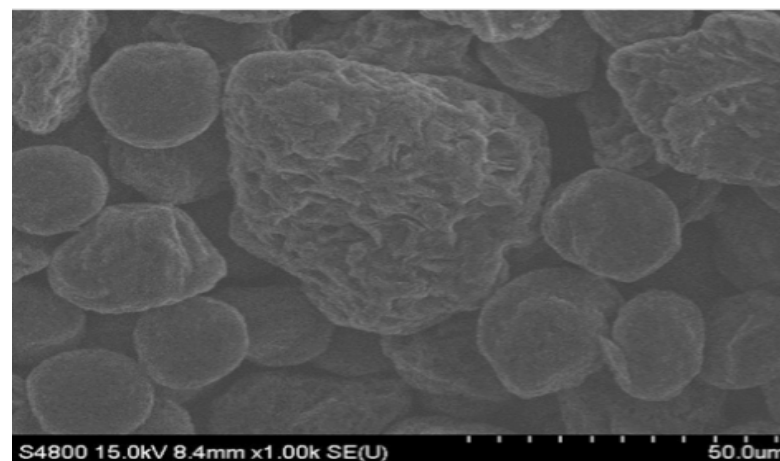
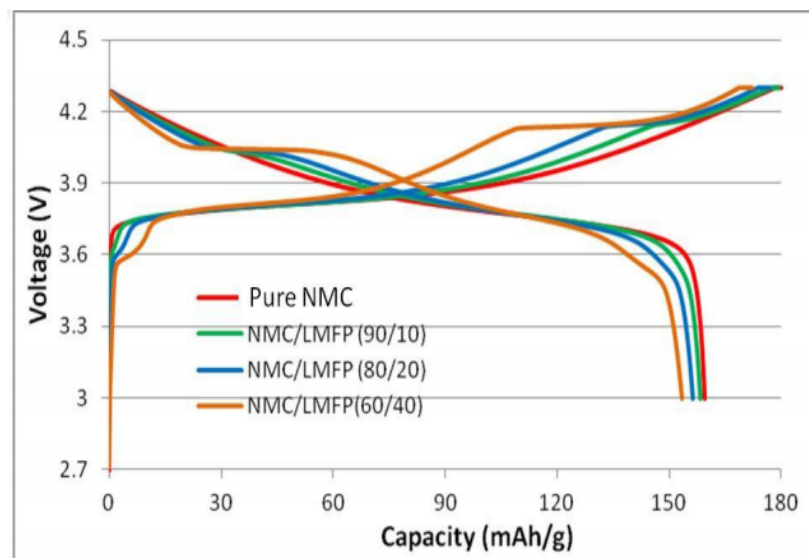
How to improve the safety of NCM cell while still achieving high energy density?

● High energy density

Capacity of blended material of NCM and LMFP was 160mAh/g, 158 mAh/g, 156 mAh/g and 152mAh/g with the concentration ratio of LMFP being 0, 10%, 20% and 40%, respectively.

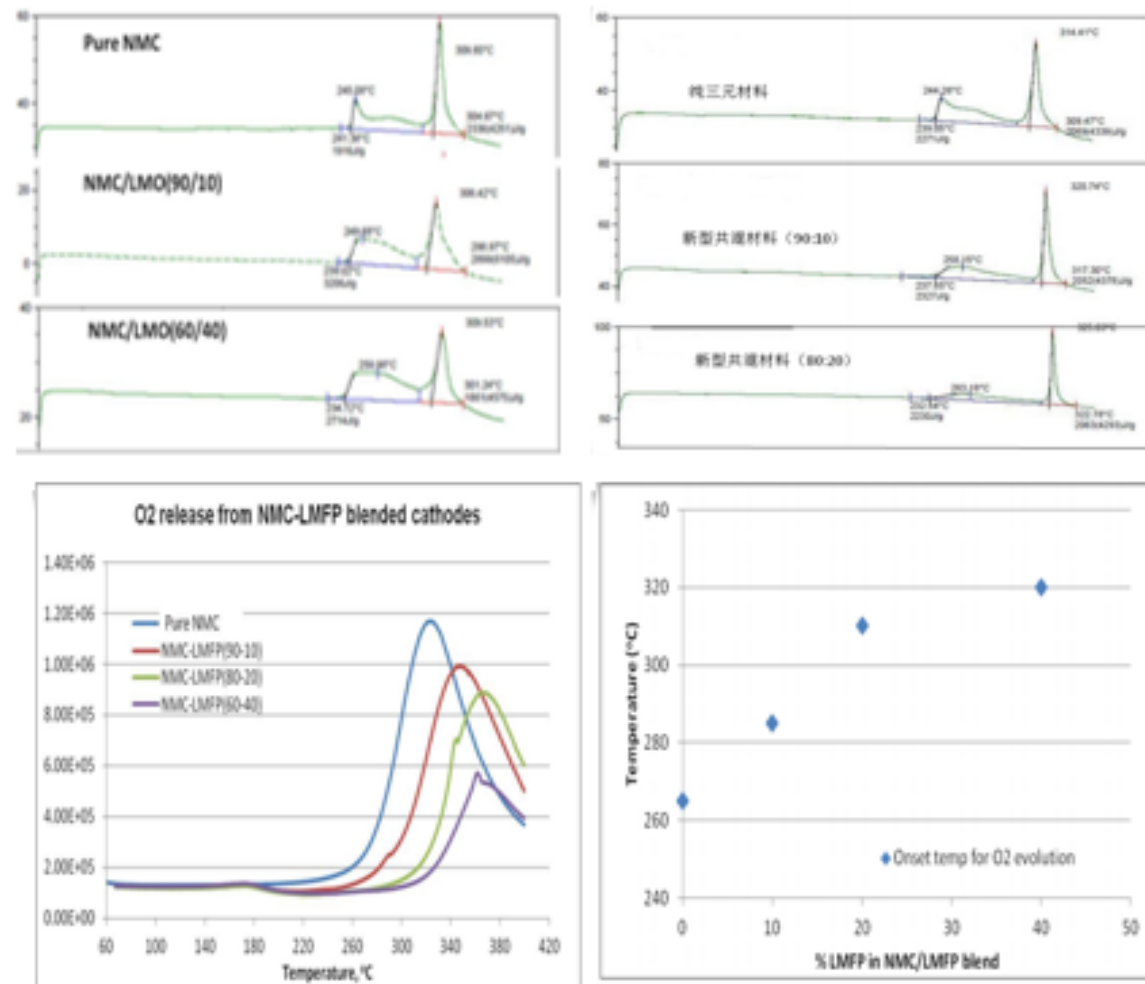
Packing density remains 3.2g/cm³ even with LMFP being 40% in the blend.

Pouch cell (20Ah) using such blend cathode and graphite anode shows high working voltage about 3.7V and energy density over 170wh/kg.

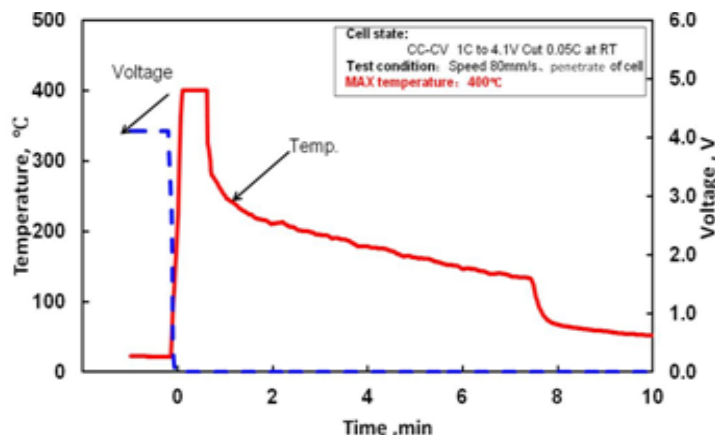


● Safety improvement

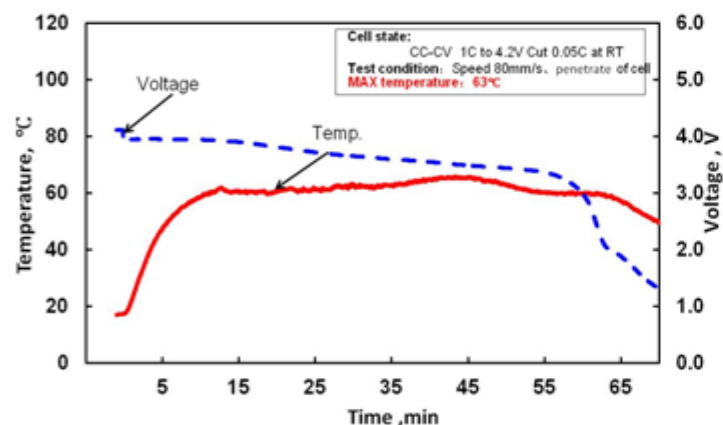
DSC analysis shows O₂ release decreases with the increase of LMFP concentration in the blend, indicating that intermixed NCM/LMFP shows better thermal stability over pure NCM as well as intermixed NCM/LMO.



● Safety improvement



Temperature and voltage change during penetration for pure NCM cell



Temperature and voltage change during penetration for NCM/LFMP cell

Cell safety was significantly improved after adopting blend active materials

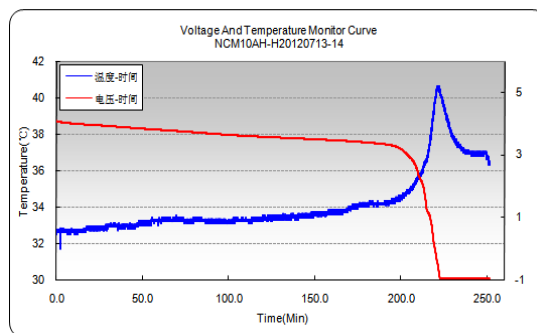
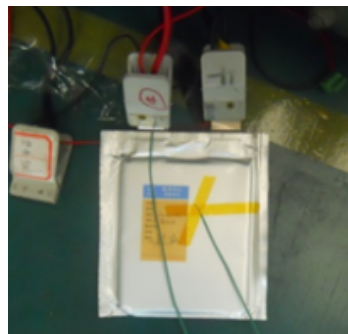


NCM/graphite

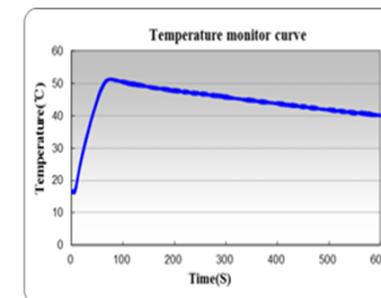


NCM/LMFP/graphite

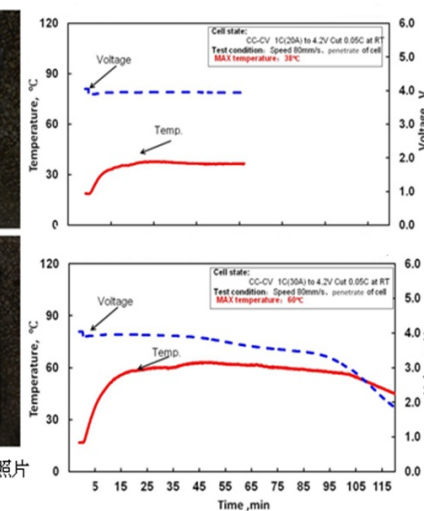
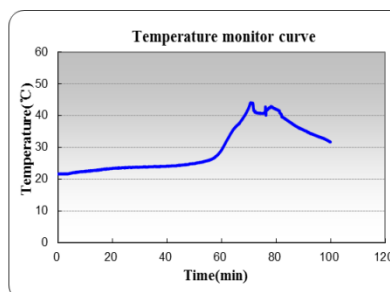
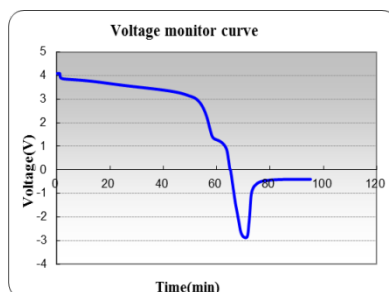
● Safety improvement



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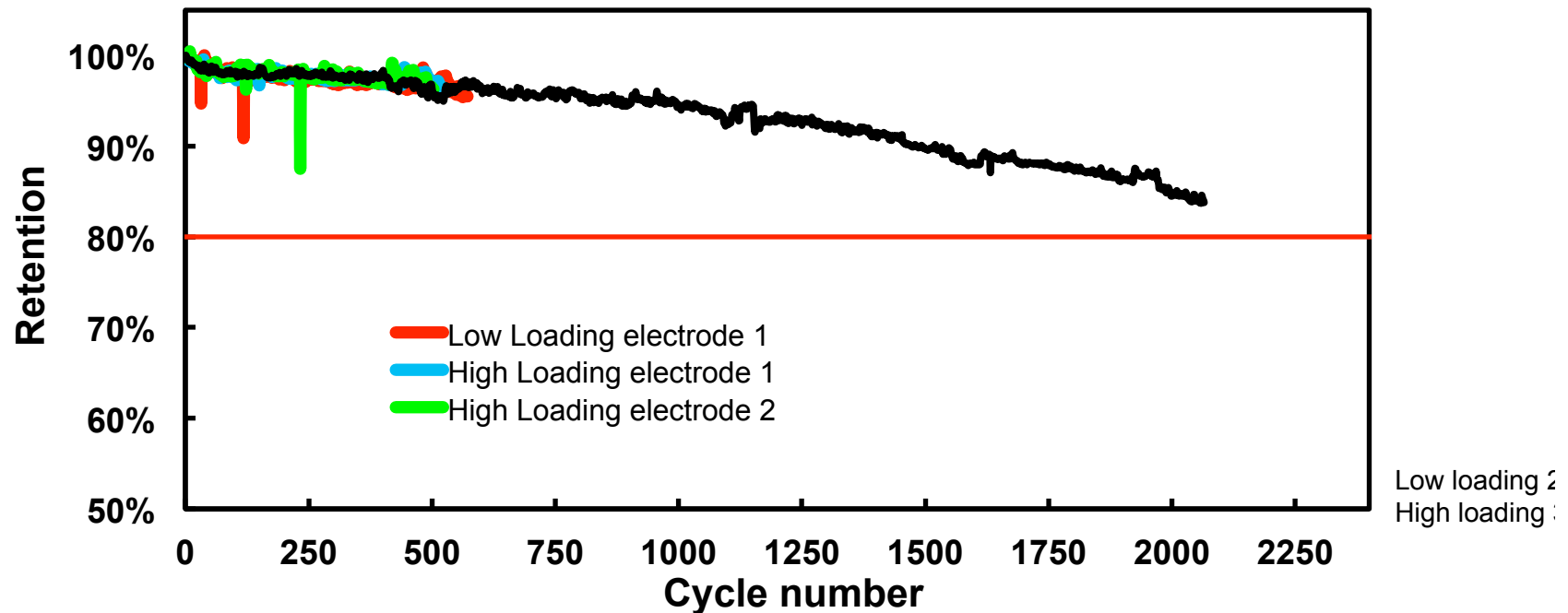
**Safety test results for
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● Cycle life

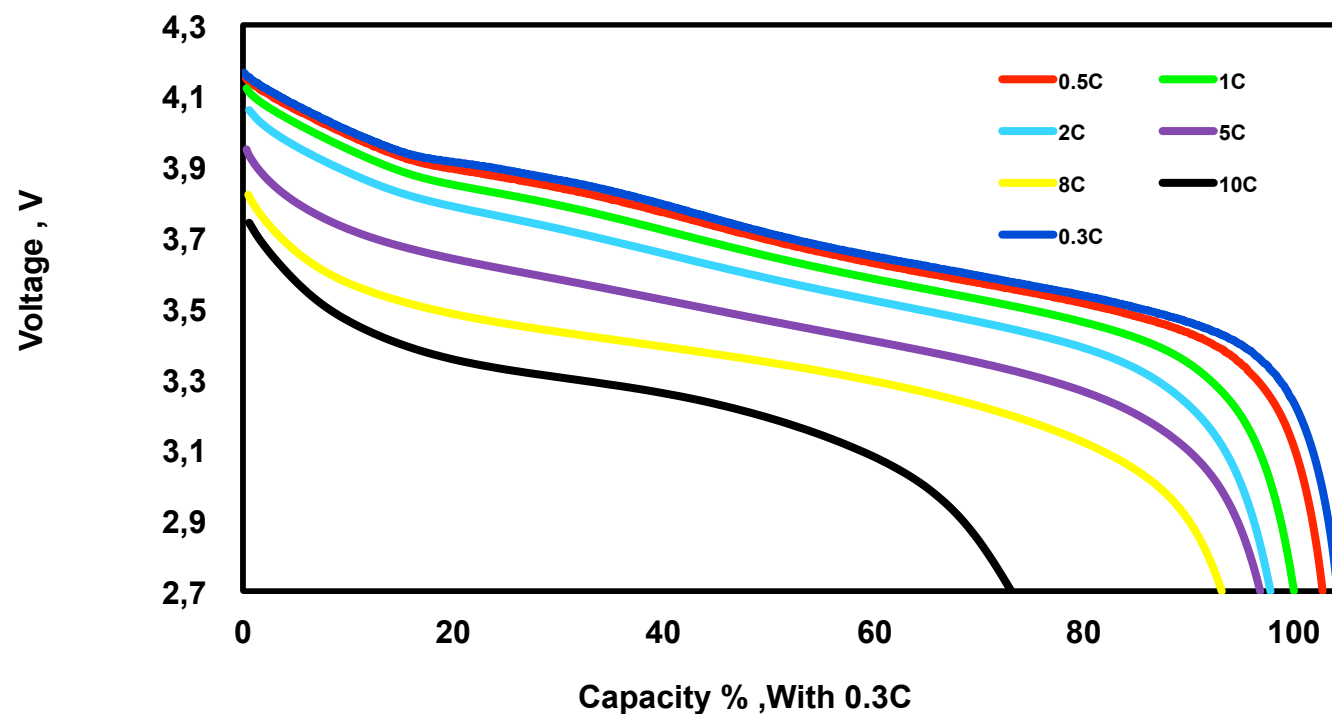
NMC Blend LMFP RT Cycle performance



Battery with blend cathode undergoes 2000 cycles at room temperature with capacity retention over 85%, which is comparable to LFP battery

● Rate performance

NMC Blend LMFP Rate discharge Characteristic



Battery with blend cathode shows good rate capability even discharged up to 10C

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- Long-term cycling、good rate capability and high thermal stability has made Olivine-structured LFP an ideal positive material for EV and ESS battery.
- Promoted by Chinese battery manufacturers, LFP batteries have been widely adopted in EV、ESS、telecom and many other applications
- NCM+LMFP blend shows high energy density、long cycle life、good thermal stability and enhanced safety improvement compared to pure NCM or NCM+LMO blend, making it a promising cathode candidate for xEV battery
- CALB is committed to continuous research and improvement of Olivine-phosphate batteries, and will keep expanding its application in a lot of areas.

Thanks !

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