

# CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELD OF BATTERIES



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# AGENDA

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- Introduction to battery research, development and services at Fraunhofer ISE
- Battery storage – Mission
- Battery storage – Market segments and market developments
- Battery storage – Cell technologies
- Battery life cycle
- Conclusions

# Department Electrical Energy Storage

## Overview – Research, Development and Services

### Battery Cell Technology

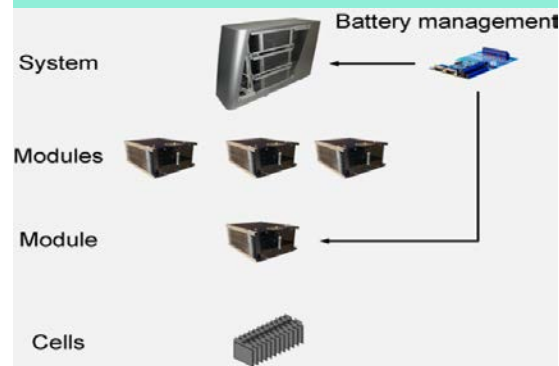
materials, architecture, production



- Development and characterization of materials and battery cells
- Development of process technologies
- Aqueous systems for stationary energy storage
- Lithium ion battery cells
- Solid state battery cells
- Technical and economical analysis
- Life cycle analysis

### Battery Engineering

from cells to systems



- Cell formation
- Cell and system characterization
- Ageing and performance scrutiny
- System design and engineering
- Thermal management
- Battery management
- Algorithms for state estimation and life time prediction
- Optimized charging and operating control strategies

### Applied Storage Systems

system design, integration and quality assurance



- Realization of lighthouse projects
- Business case development
- Consulting during complete life cycle of storage projects
- System modelling, analysis and optimized system design
- Simulation based storage sizing
- Energy management systems
- Technical due diligence: Site inspection, testing and monitoring

### TestLab Batteries

electrical, thermal, mechanical testing



- Ageing: calendric and cyclic
- Safety: components and systems including functional safety
- Reliability: consideration of operating conditions and system behavior with aged components
- Performance: efficiency and effectiveness
- End-of-line quality control for cell production

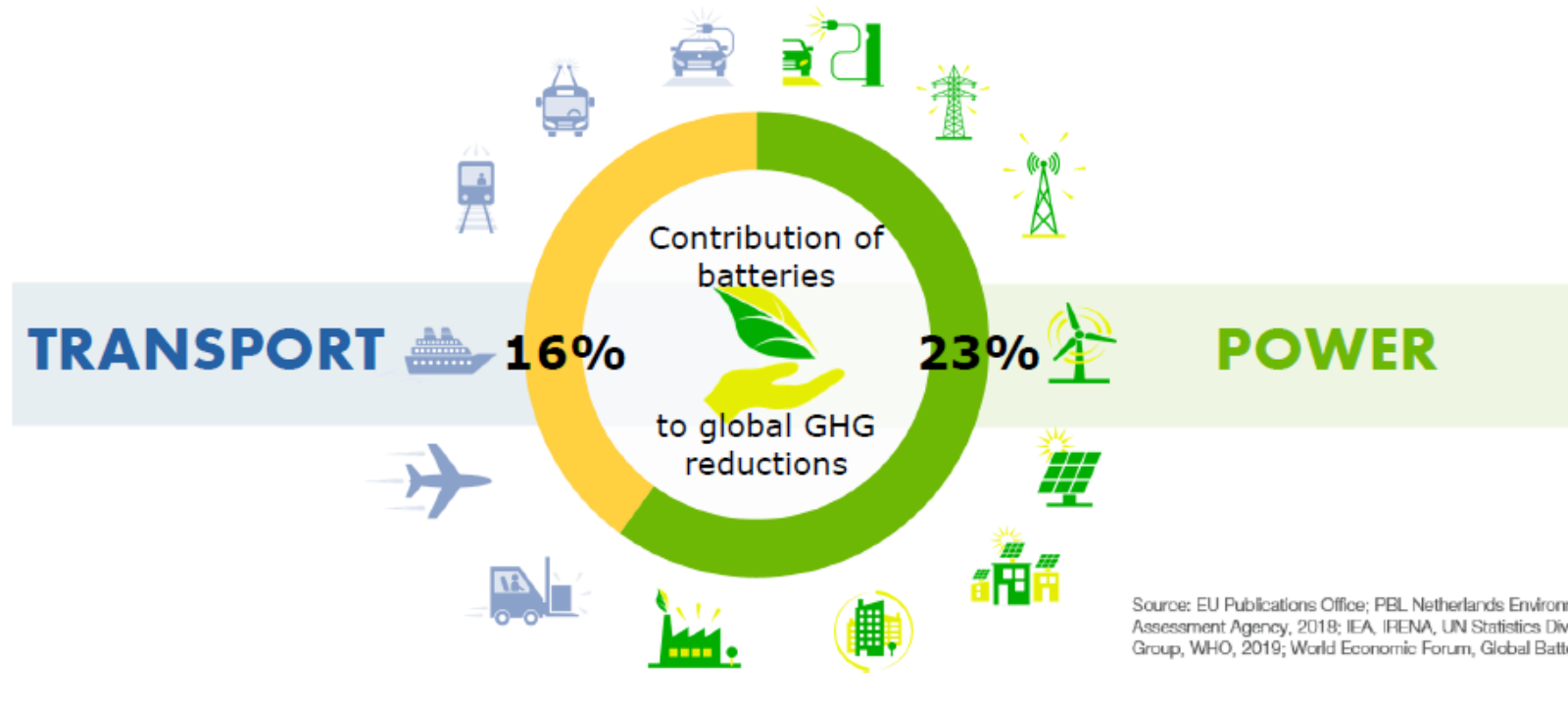
# Battery storage – Mission

## Batteries Europe: Strategic Research Agenda – Extract



**BATTERIES EUROPE**  
EUROPEAN **TECHNOLOGY**  
AND **INNOVATION** PLATFORM

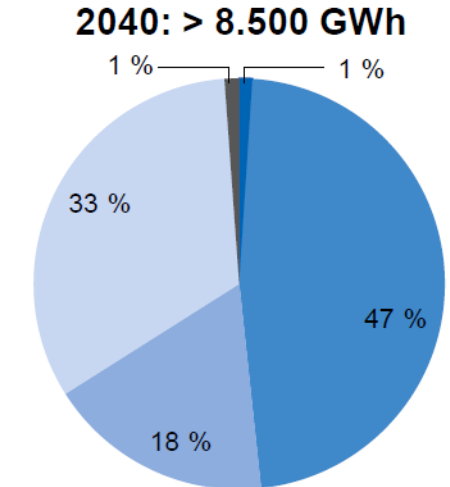
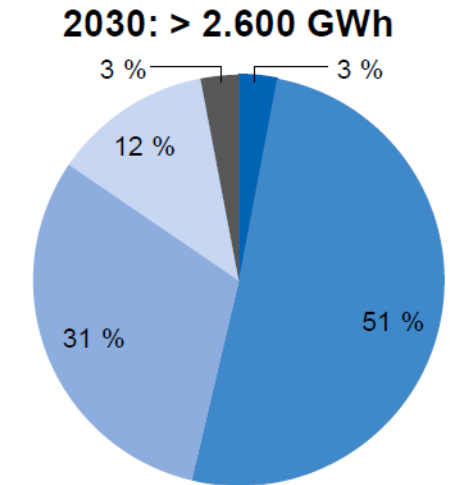
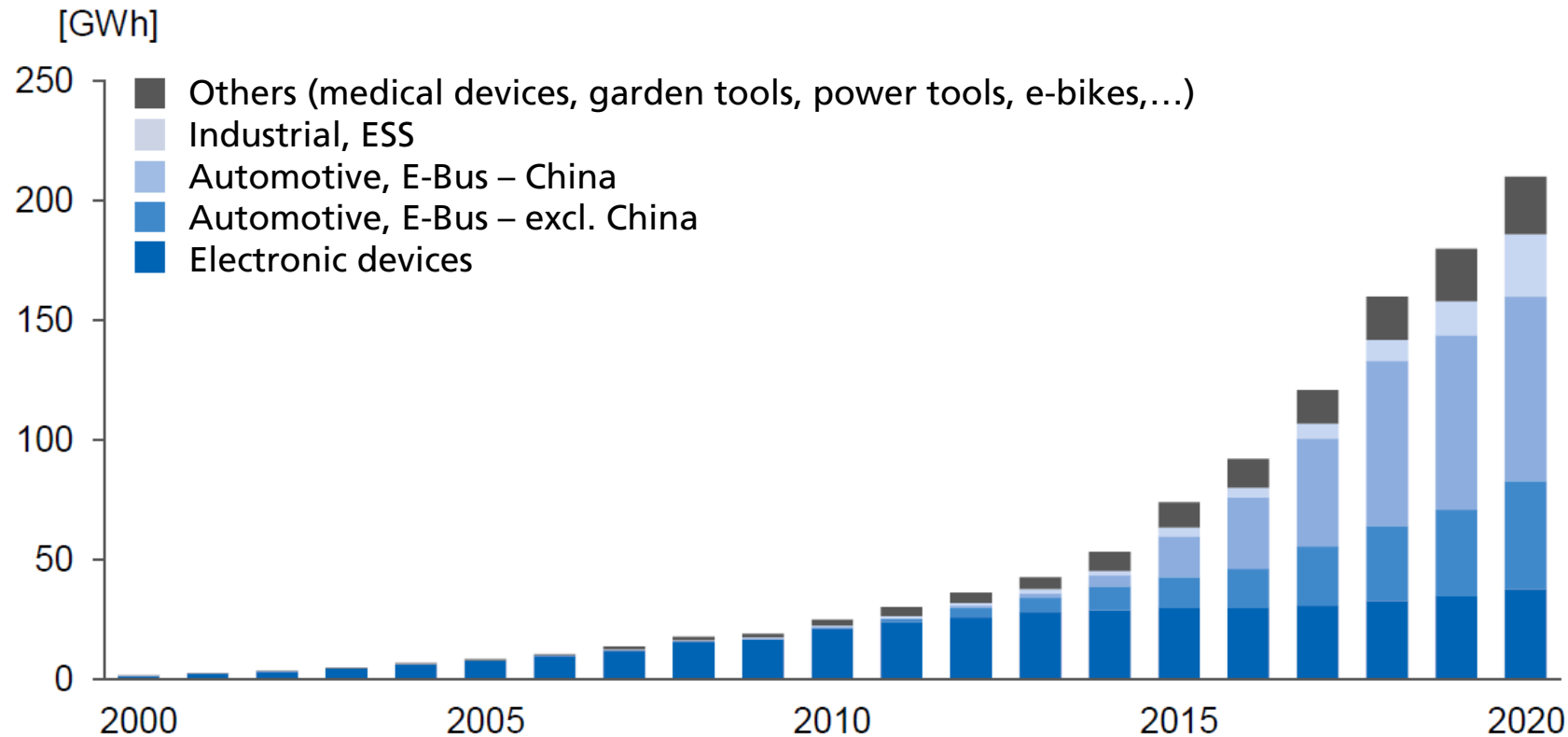
« Everything we can electrify will be electrified »



Source: E. Sheridan: Batteries Europe, European Technology and Innovation Platform – Overview of Strategic Research Agenda, Batteries Europe Webinar, 28<sup>th</sup> of October 2020.

# Battery storage – Market segments and market developments

## Lithium-ion batteries



Sources: J. Mähliß: Trends im Lithium-Ionen Batteriemarkt, 2020; BloombergNEF, 2020; Roskill, 2020; Avicenne Energy, 2019.

# Battery storage – Market segments and market developments

## Global xEV market

### Global xEV market in 2019:

■ ~ 2 209 832 (74 % BEVs)

### Global xEV battery market in 2019:

■ ~ US\$ 27.2 billions

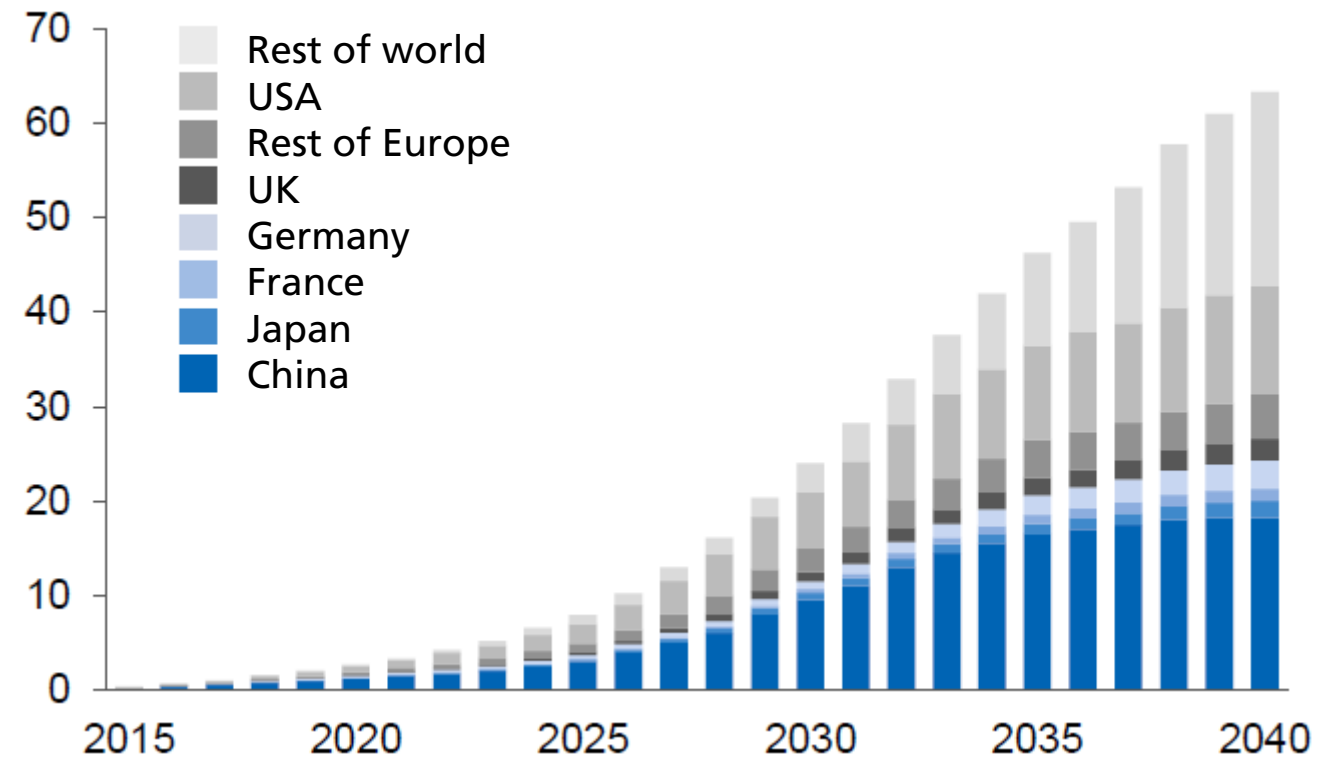
■ ~ 112 GWh

■ Average battery capacity / EV:  
~ 50.5 kWh

■ Average battery price / EV:  
~ US\$ 7877

■ Average battery price / kWh:  
~ US\$ 156

### Annual xEV sales in millions

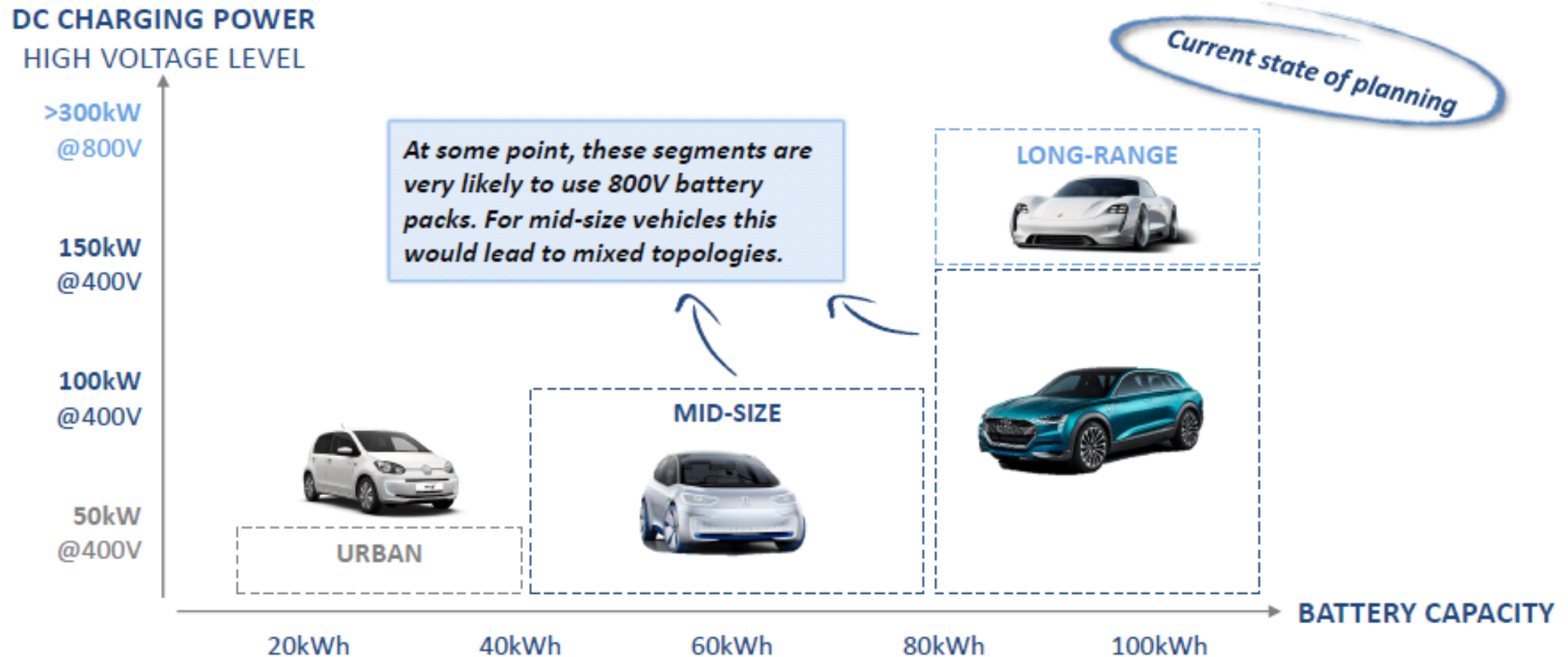


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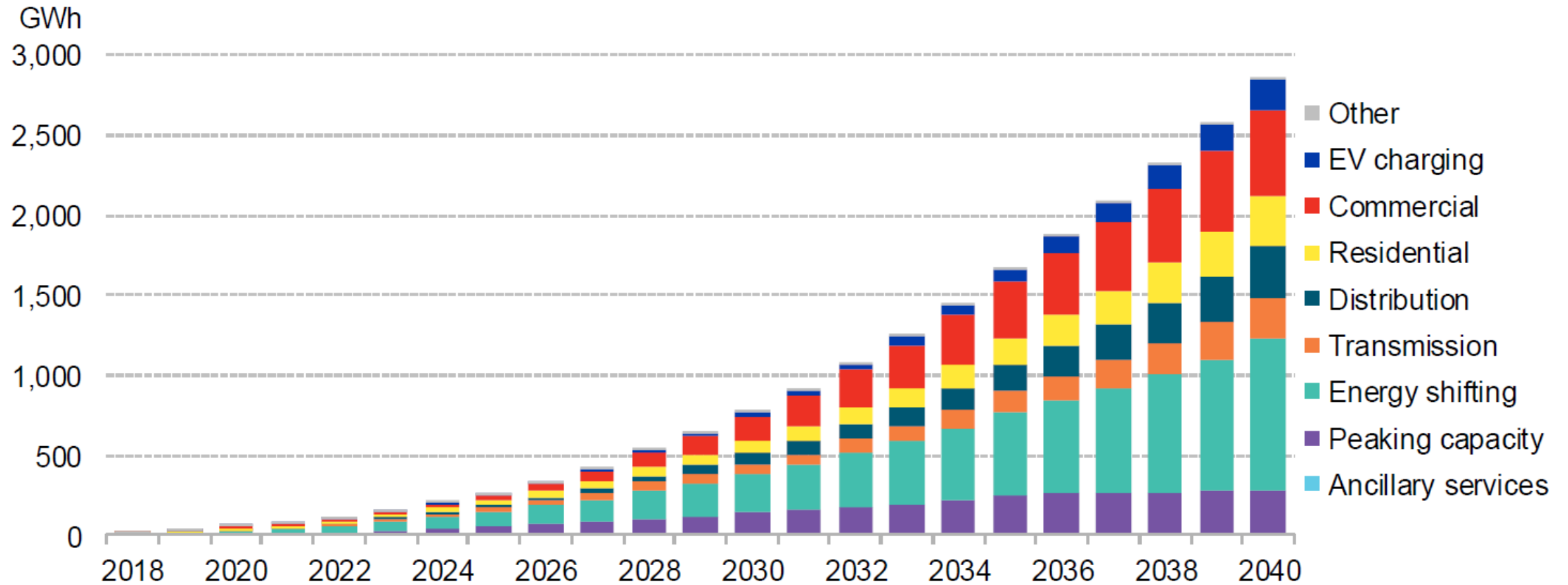
## Trends in EV battery system sizes



Source: M. Wojtynia: Analysis of future powertrain topologies and evaluation of powertrain setups, 2017.

# Battery storage – Market segments and market developments

## Prognosis for global cumulative stationary deployments



Source: BloombergNEF, 2019.



# Battery storage – Cell technologies

## Batteries Europe: Strategic Research Agenda – Extract: Lithium batteries

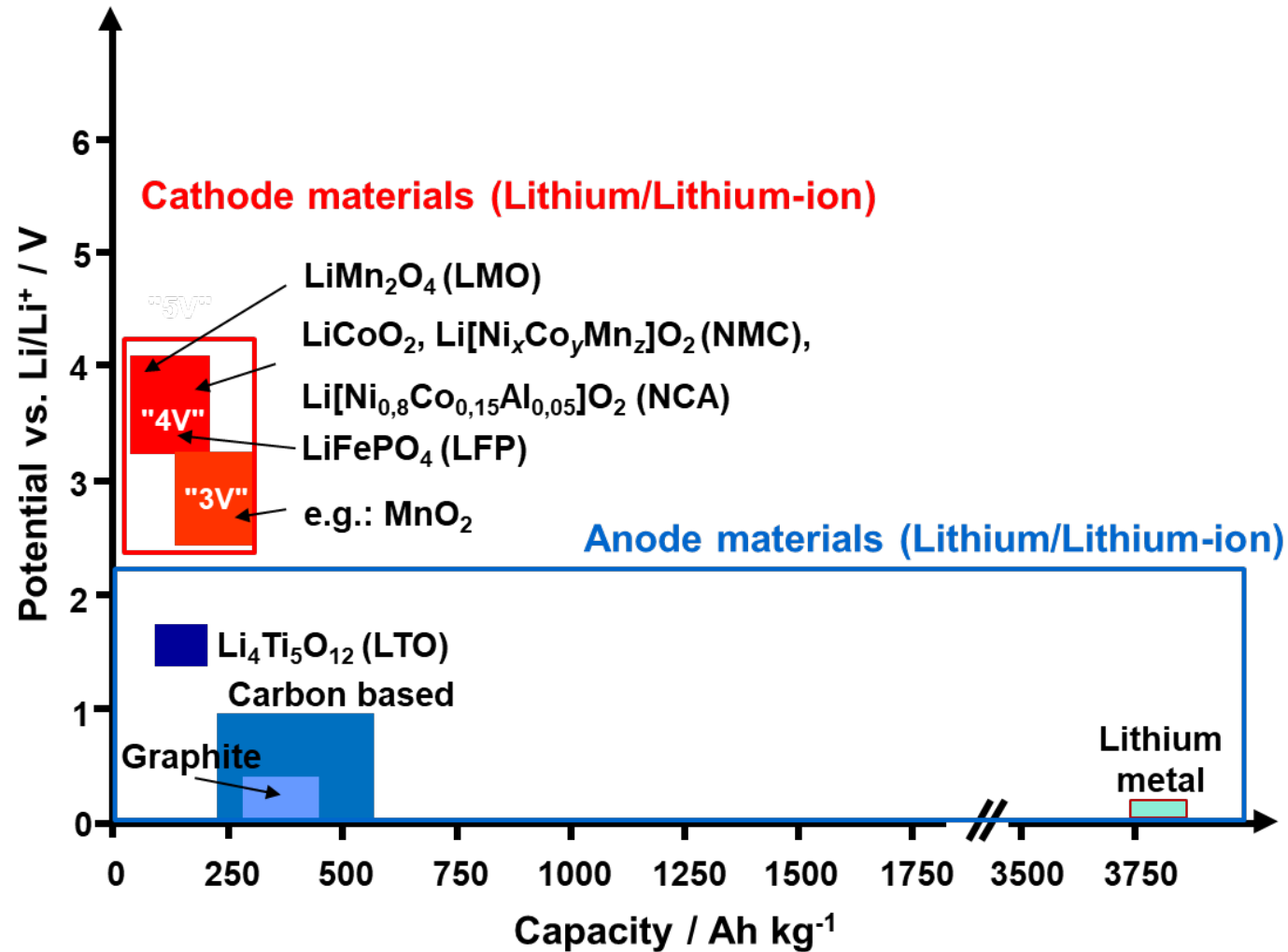
- Lithium-ion  
“evolution”
- Solid state  
“revolution”
- Lithium  
dominates the  
current decade
- Technology  
targets are mainly  
driven by the  
transport sector !

Battery Generation	Electrodes active materials	Cell Chemistry / Type	Forecast market deployment
Gen 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cathode: LFP, NCA</li> <li>• Anode: 100% carbon</li> </ul>	Li-ion Cell	current
Gen 2a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cathode: NMC111</li> <li>• Anode: 100% carbon</li> </ul>	Li-ion Cell	current
Gen 2b	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cathode: NMC523 to NMC 622</li> <li>• Anode: 100% carbon</li> </ul>	Li-ion Cell	current
Gen 3a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cathode: NMC622 to NMC 811</li> <li>• Anode: carbon (graphite) + silicon content (5-10%)</li> </ul>	Optimised Li-ion	2020
Gen 3b	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cathode: HE-NMC, HVS (high-voltage spinel)</li> <li>• Anode: silicon/carbon</li> </ul>	Optimised Li-ion	2025
Gen 4a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cathode NMC</li> <li>• Anode Si/C</li> <li>• Solid electrolyte</li> </ul>	Solid state Li-ion	2025
Gen 4b	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cathode NMC</li> <li>• Anode: lithium metal</li> <li>• Solid electrolyte</li> </ul>	Solid state Li metal	>2025
Gen 4c	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cathode: HE-NMC, HVS (high-voltage spinel)</li> <li>• Anode: lithium metal</li> <li>• Solid electrolyte</li> </ul>	Advanced solid state	2030
Gen 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Li O<sub>2</sub> – lithium air / metal air</li> <li>• Conversion materials (primarily Li S)</li> <li>• new ion-based systems (Na, Mg or Al)</li> </ul>	New cell gen: metal-air/ conversion chemistries / new ion-based insertion chemistries	>2030

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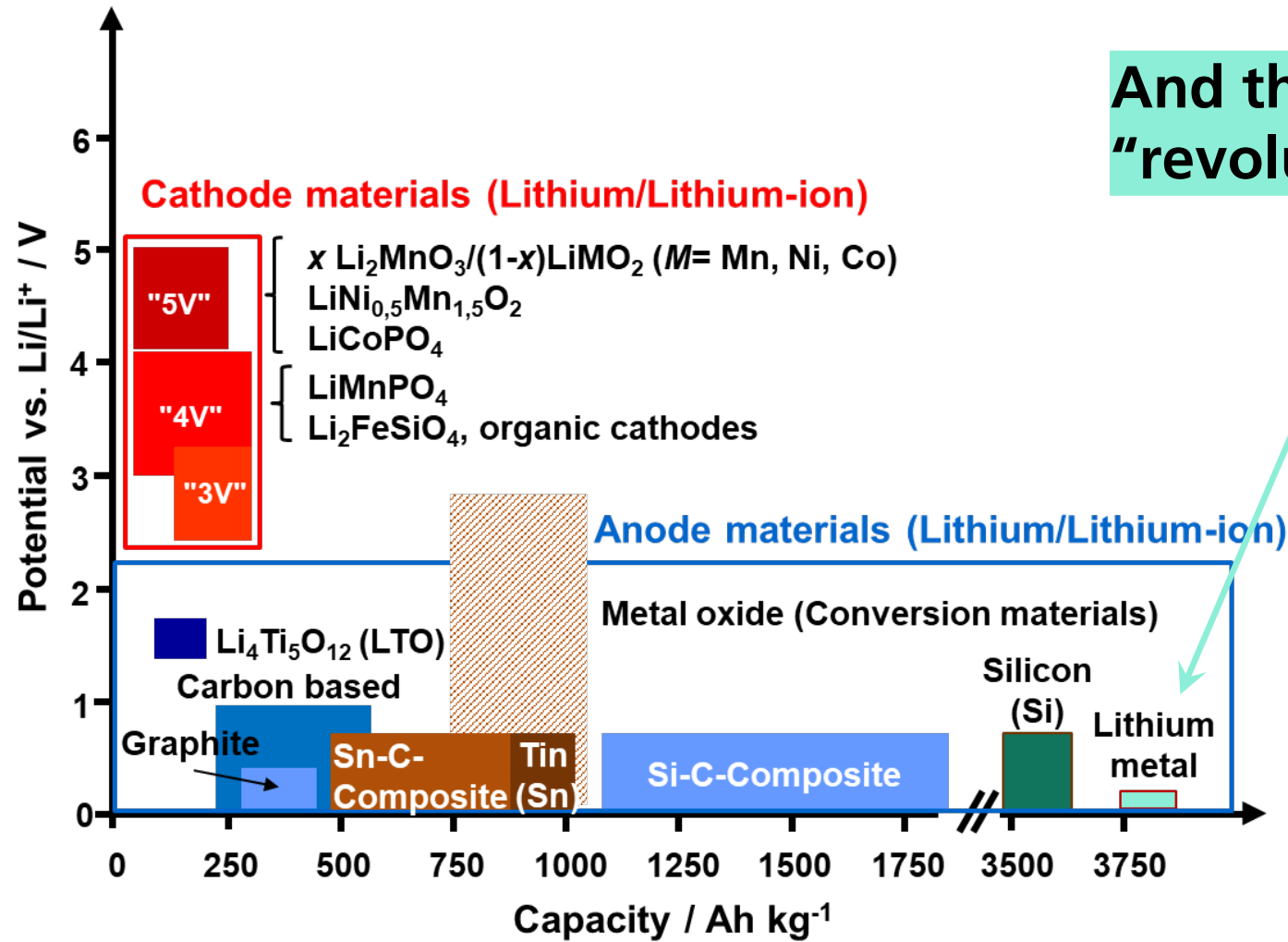
## The “evolution” of the battery capacity



Source: FVEE, 2016.

# Battery storage – Cell technologies: Lithium

## The “evolution” of the battery capacity



And the solid state  
“revolution” ???

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# Battery storage – Cell technologies: Lithium

## Trends of cathode materials – Example NMC

Battery metals content per car: For NMC:811, 50-52 kg Ni, 8-40 kg Li, 5-6.6 kg Co. For today: 25-36 kg Ni, 7.4-35 kg Li, 12 kg Co. Change: +70% Ni, +14% Li, -52% Co.

Today <sup>1</sup>	Tomorrow <sup>2</sup>
NMC 622, 55 kWh	NMC 811, 77 kWh
7.4 kilograms of lithium	8.4 kilograms of lithium
36 kilograms of nickel	52 kilograms of nickel
12 kilograms of cobalt	6.6 kilograms of cobalt

McKenzie, AABC Strasbourg, 1/19



Umicore, AABC Strasbourg, 1/19

Source: T. Johnson: Review of Battery Electric Vehicles, International Battery Seminar, Fort Lauderdale, 2019.

# Battery storage – Cell technologies: Lithium

## Trends of anode materials – Example “silicon-rich”



**2007 Si nano anode invention in Cui group**  
**2008 April, Amprius founded by Cui**  
**2009 Feb, Series A \$5M**  
**2011 Mar, Series B \$25M**  
**2013 Dec, Series C \$30M**  
**2014 Wuxi City Joint Venture, Series D \$40M, production**  
**2016 More than a few million batteries sold in market**

### **Amprius Product Line:**

**Line 1: 750Wh/L, 290Wh/kg**

**Line 2 : 900-1300Wh/L, 400-435Wh/kg**

### **Airbus Zephyr S:**

25 day continuous flight time, 70,000 feet.  
with Amprius Si nanowire battery:  
435 Wh/kg, 1200Wh/L.



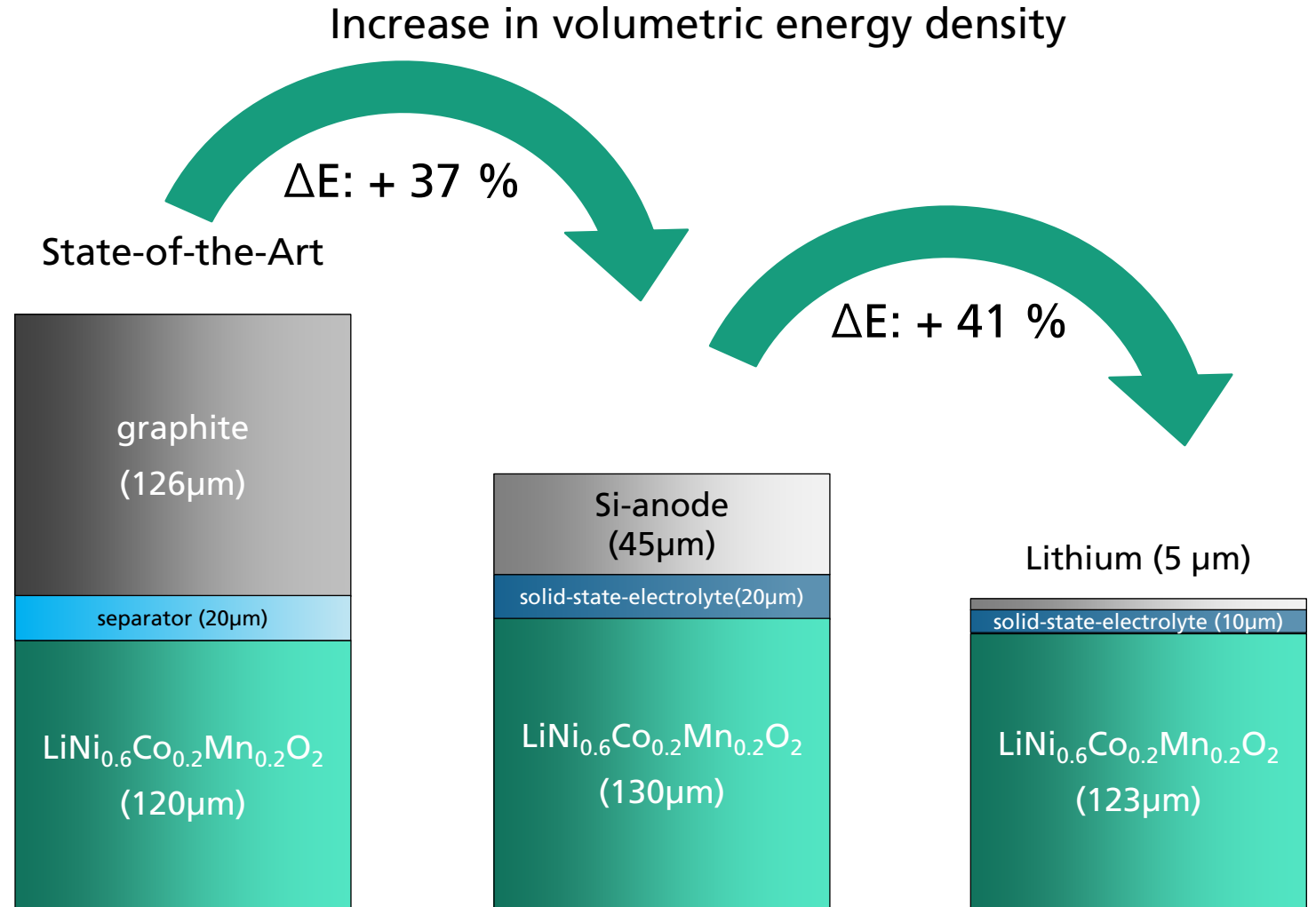
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# Battery storage – Cell technologies: Lithium

## Towards the solid state “revolution”

Printed all solid state batteries with silicon anodes

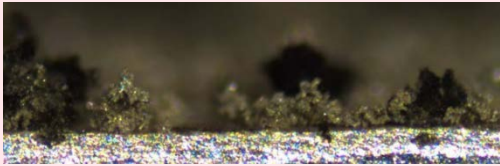
- Silicon anodes as intermediate technology in between graphite and lithium metal
- Approaches to solve specific problems of silicon (high volume change) are being investigated



# Battery storage – Cell technologies: Lithium

## Towards the solid state “revolution” – Solid ion conductors

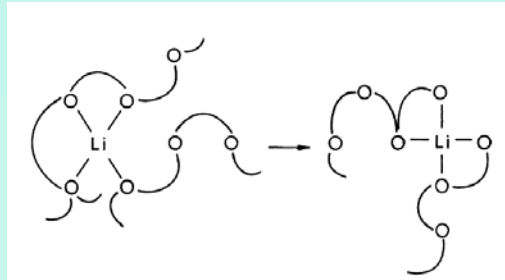
### Liquid electrolyte



- State of the art
- High ionic conductivity ( $10^{-2}$  S/cm)
- Can tolerate volume changes
- Penetrates pores, good wetting
- Limited thermal stability
- Flammable
- Lithium metal anode:
  - Formation of dendrites
- Graphite anode – SEI formation:
  - Time consuming process in production
- Bipolar stacking difficult

<http://ns.umich.edu/new/multimedia/videos/24295-a-window-into-battery-life-for-next-gen-lithium-cells>

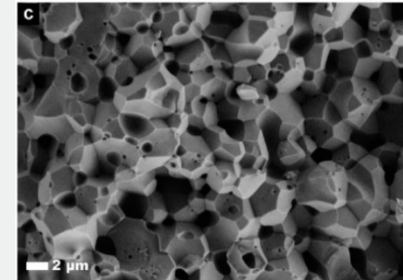
### Polymer



- Most famous example: Polyethylene oxide
- $\text{Li}^+$  transport by movement of polymer chains
- Polymer chains become immobile below glass temperature
- Then: low conductivity
- Typically heating needed (e.g.  $80^\circ\text{C}$ )
- Good processability
- Limited suppression of lithium dendrites
- Up to  $10^{-3}$  S/cm (polymer ( $60^\circ\text{C}$ ) or gel type (RT))

doi:10.1016/j.eurpolymj.2005.09.017

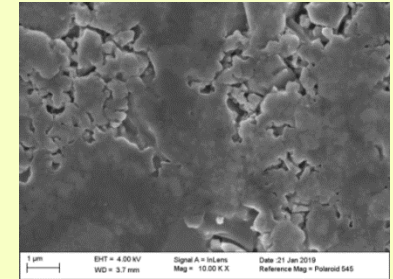
### Oxide ceramics



- Up to  $10^{-3}$  S/cm
- Critical: grain boundaries
- High process temperatures above  $500^\circ\text{C}$  needed
- Good electrochemical stability
- High mechanical strength

Al doped LLZO (garnet),  $\text{Li}_6.25\text{Al}_0.25\text{La}_3\text{Zr}_2\text{O}_{12}$ , sintered at  $1070^\circ\text{C}$  for 10h, doi: 10.1002/aenm.201600736

### Sulfides



- Up to  $10^{-2}$  S/cm
- Good processability due to high ductility
- Low grain boundary resistances even for processes with low temperature
- Printing possible
- Limited electrochemical stability
- Sensitive to moisture

$\text{Li}_6\text{PS}_5\text{Cl}$  powder after pressing at  $100^\circ\text{C}$  for 45min

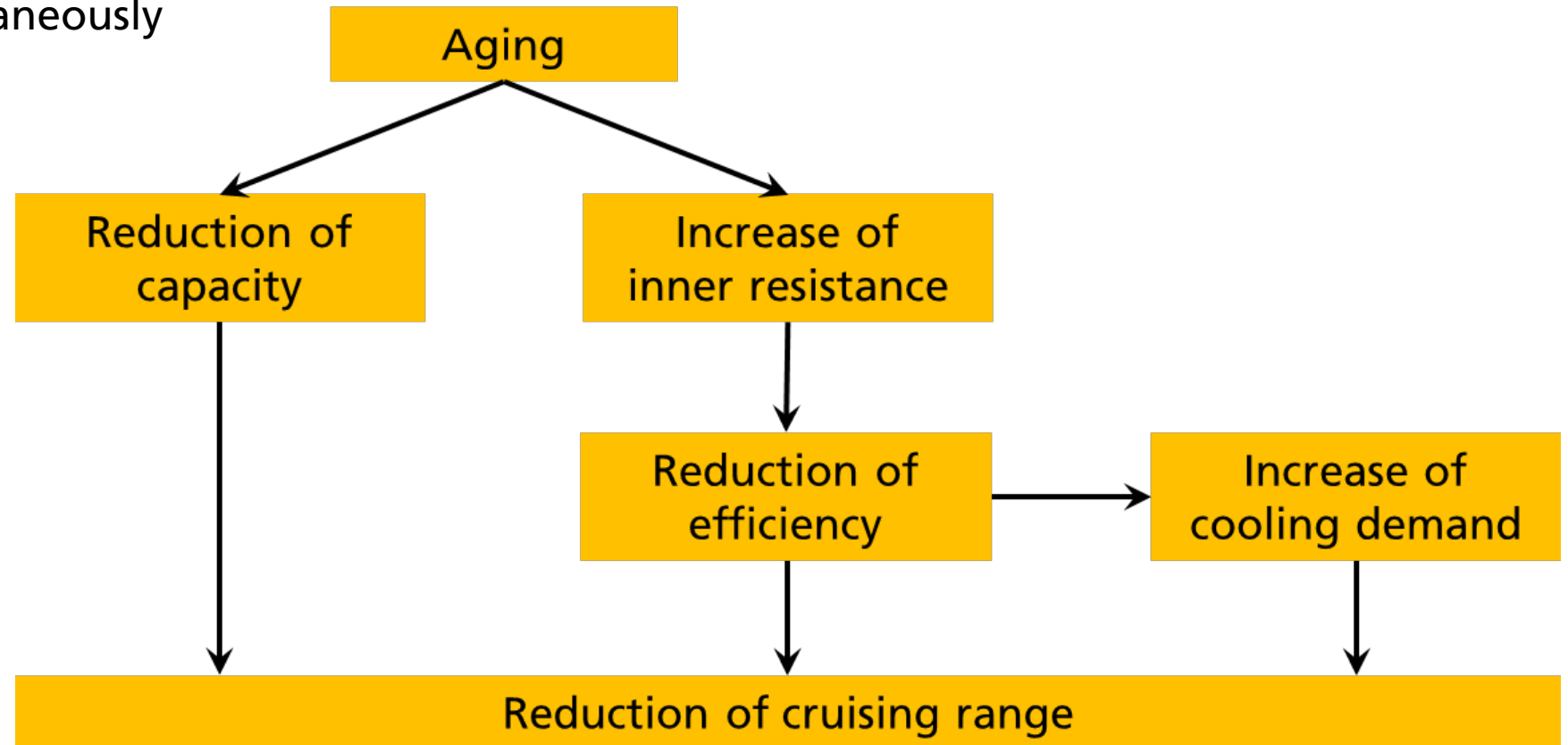


# Battery life cycle

## Influence of cell aging

Aged cells in battery electric vehicles

→ Several effects result in reduction of cruising range simultaneously

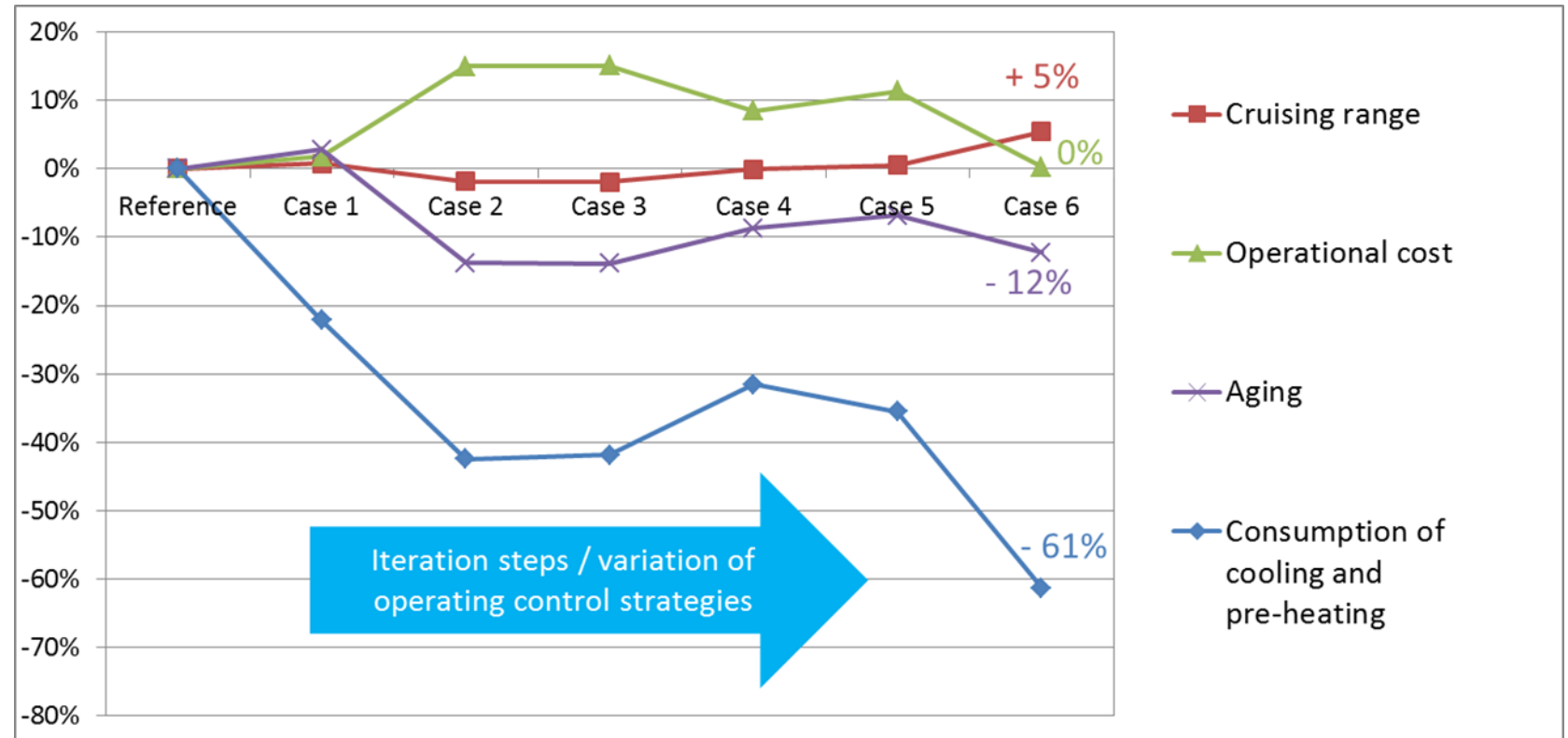


# Battery life cycle

## Prolonging useful life time via optimized control strategies in 1<sup>st</sup> life

Optimized thermal management for EV batteries

- Decelerating aging mechanisms
- Increasing cruising range

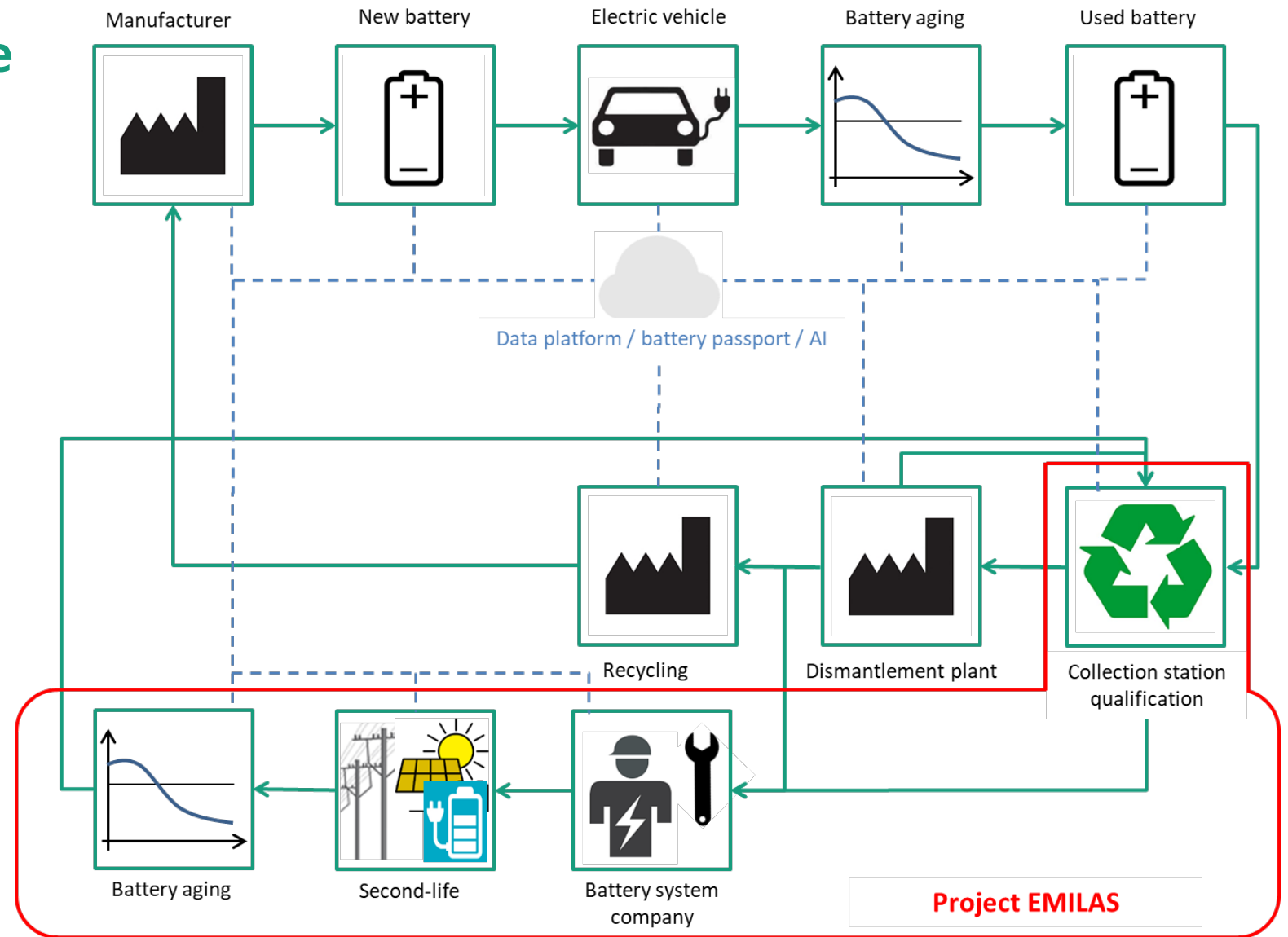


# Battery life cycle

## Prolonging useful life time via 2<sup>nd</sup> life applications

### Project EMILAS:

- Electromobility in apartment buildings via smart charging stations with 2nd life battery storage
- Funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy



# Battery life cycle

## Prolonging useful life time via 2<sup>nd</sup> life applications

### Objectives of project EMILAS

- Use of 2<sup>nd</sup> life EV batteries as stationary buffer storage for building integrated charging stations
- Enabling of EV fast charging (!)
- Integration of 2<sup>nd</sup> life battery storage into building energy management system
- Coupling with building integrated PV: Increased self-sufficiency via buffer storage
- Integration of a local car sharing fleet with “bidirectional” EVs (“vehicle to building”)
- Innovative business models

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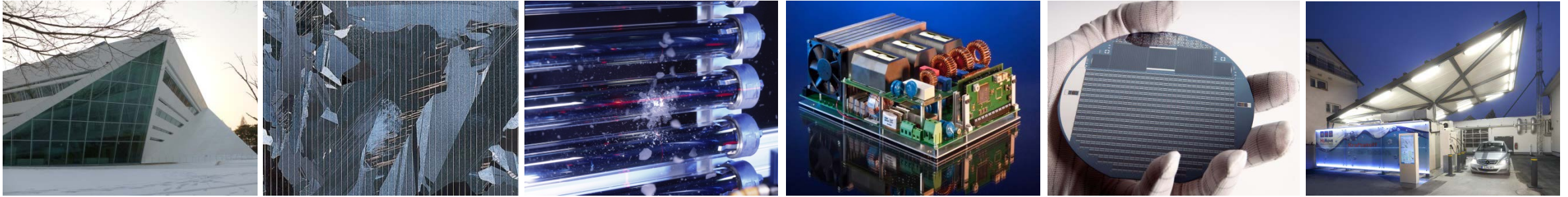


# Conclusions

- Exponentially **growing global battery markets** driven by **electromobility** and demand of **stationary storage** for increased shares of fluctuating renewables (solar and wind)
- Accelerated development of advanced battery cell technologies
  - Increasing **energy densities** for higher cruising ranges
  - Increasing **cycle and calendar life times** (especially for stationary applications)
  - Reducing **cost**
  - Increasing **safety**
  - Current decade will be dominated by **lithium**
    - Lithium-ion **evolution**
    - Solid state **“revolution”** (?)
    - **Alternatives** – especially for stationary applications – competitive?
- **“CO<sub>2</sub> backpack”** of battery cell production has to be addressed
  - Prolonging useful life time via **optimized control strategies in 1<sup>st</sup> life**
  - Prolonging useful life time of EV batteries via **2<sup>nd</sup> life applications**



# Thanks for your attention !!!



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