

# REDOX-MEDIATED FLOW BATTERIES: FIRST STEPS FROM FUNDAMENTS TO APPLICATION

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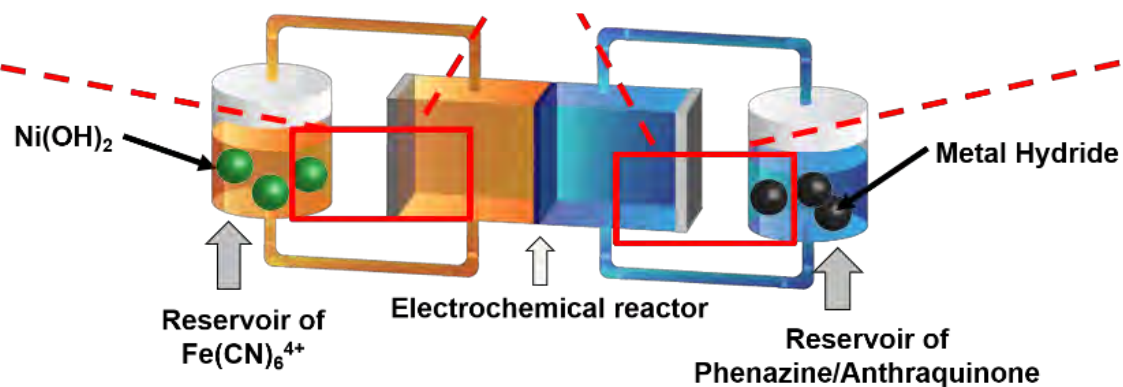
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### Fundamentals of the Concept

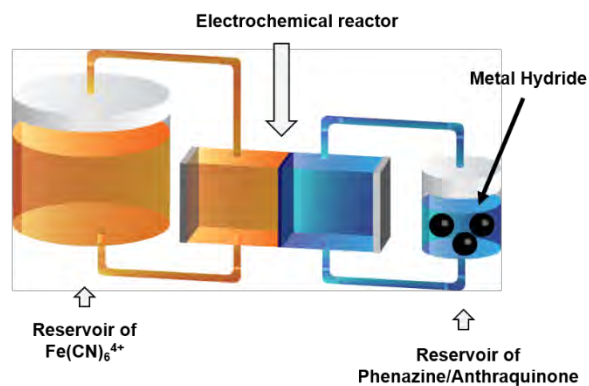




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### Mediated MH anolyte

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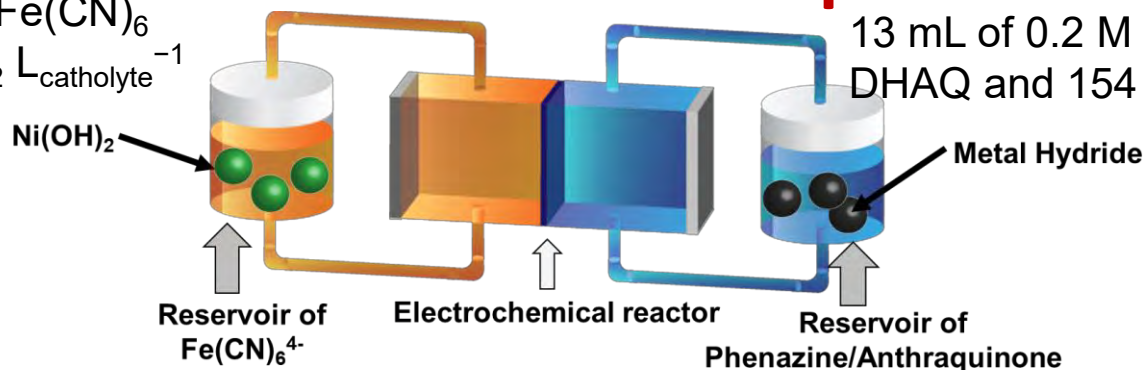


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## Proof of Concept

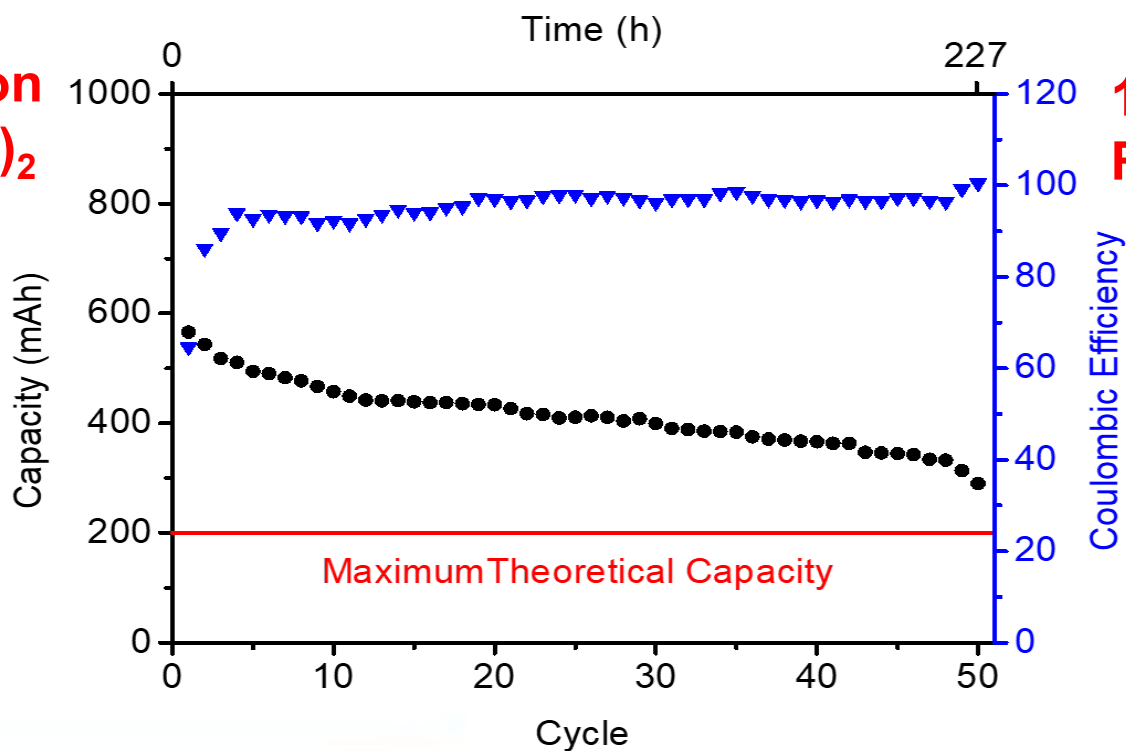
26 mL of 0.3 M  $\text{K}_4\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6$ <sup>-1</sup>  
and 270 g  $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$  L<sub>catholyte</sub>

13 mL of 0.2 M DHPS+0.2 M 2,6-DHAQ and 154 g MH L<sub>anolyte</sub><sup>-1</sup>.



**42 % Utilization  
Rate of  $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$**

**100 % Utilization  
Rate of MH**





# Take-Home Messages

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- ✓ Energy can be stored in solid materials confined in the external reservoirs
- ✓ The FC – Ni(OH)<sub>2</sub> couple is a versatile system for alkaline media
- ✓ Kinetics of spontaneous liquid – solid charge transfer need to be studied in detail
- ✓ Engineering efforts need to be devoted in the new type of reservoir







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#### Evidence of Spontaneous Charge Transfer

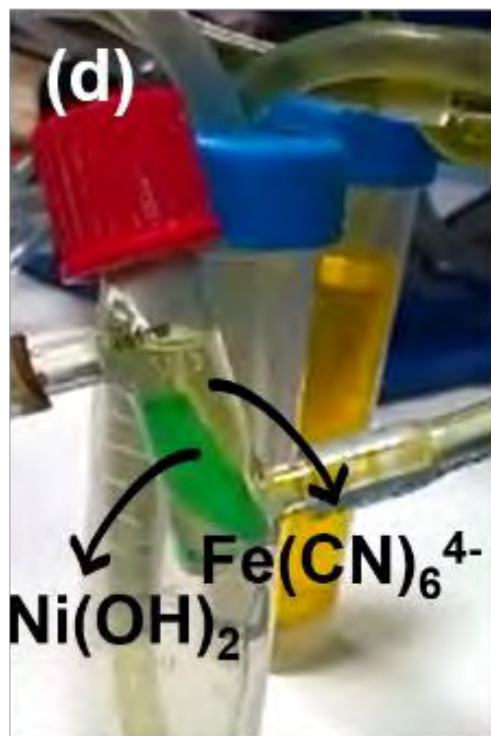






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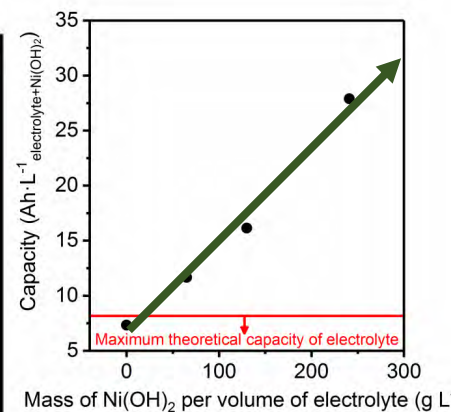
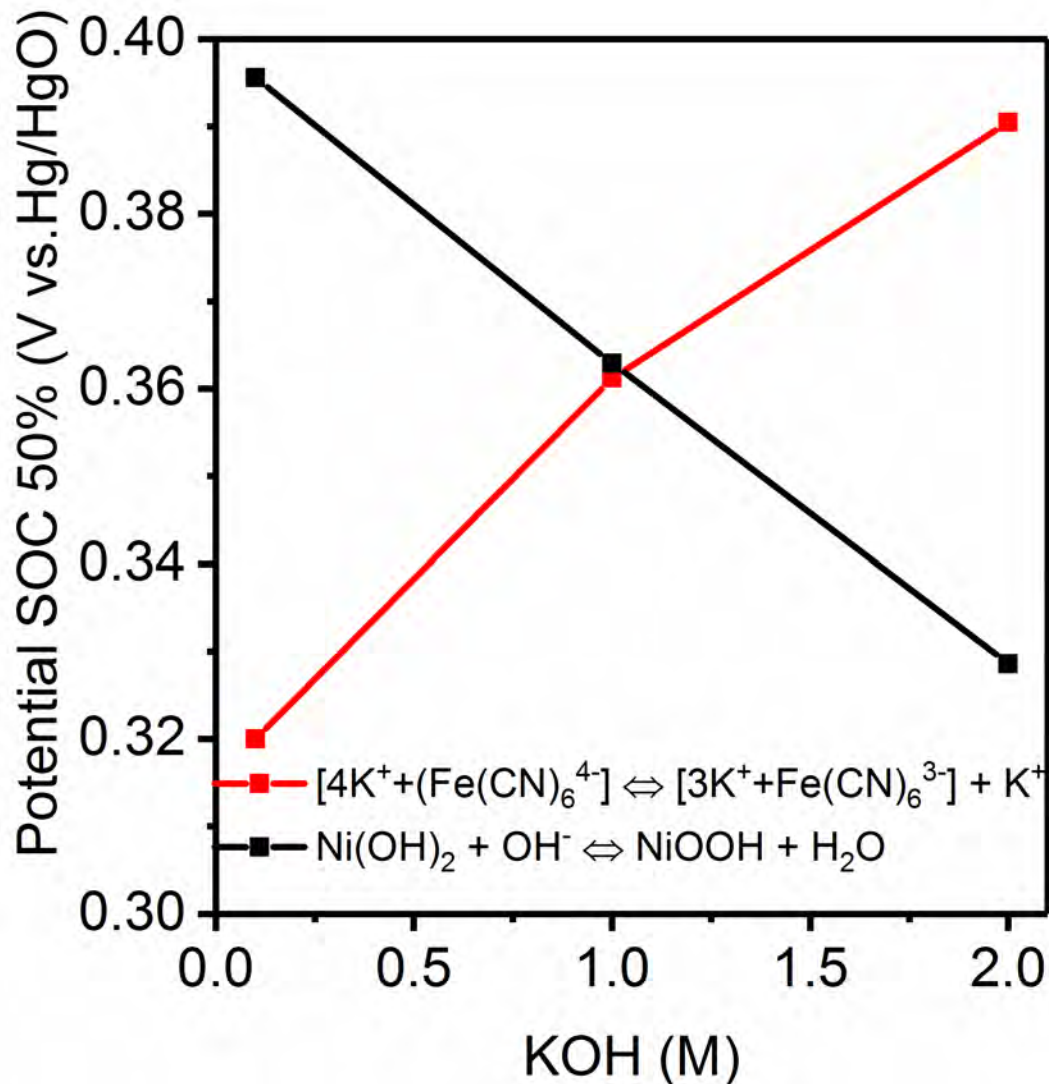
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#### Utilization Rate of Solid Material

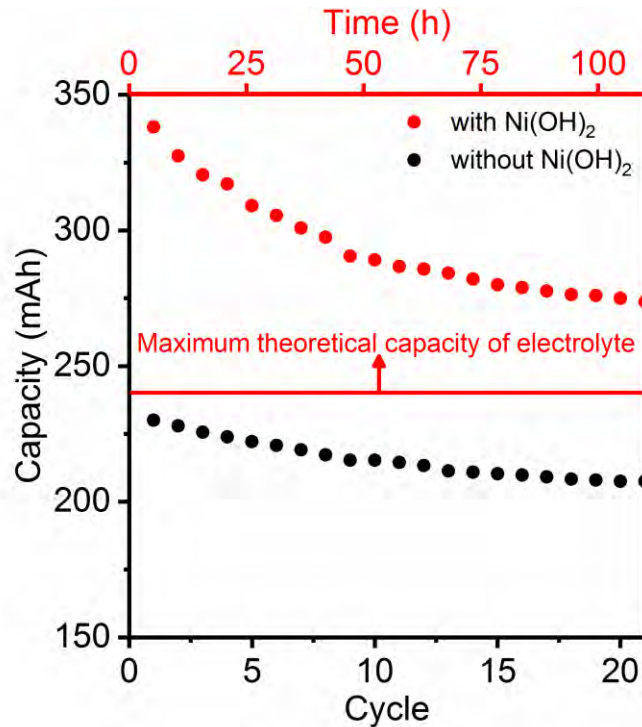




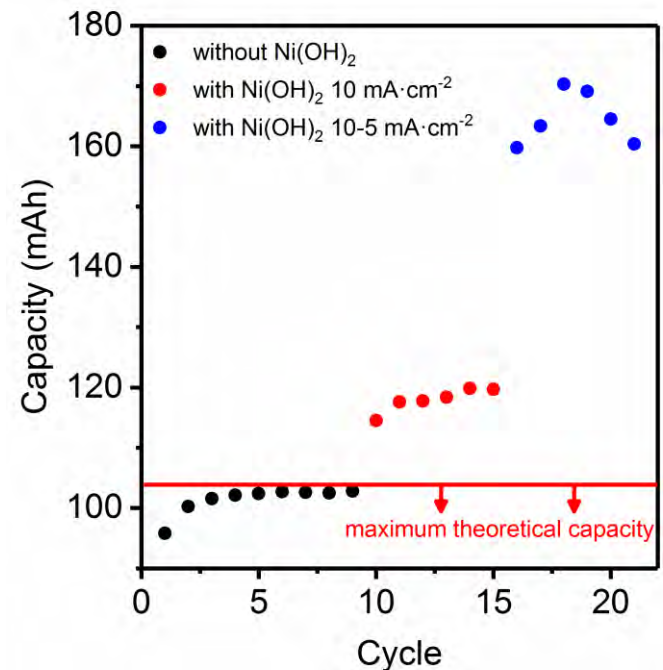
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## Versatility: other Battery Chemistries

#### Anthraquinone // $\text{K}_4\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6$



#### Zn // $\text{K}_4\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6$



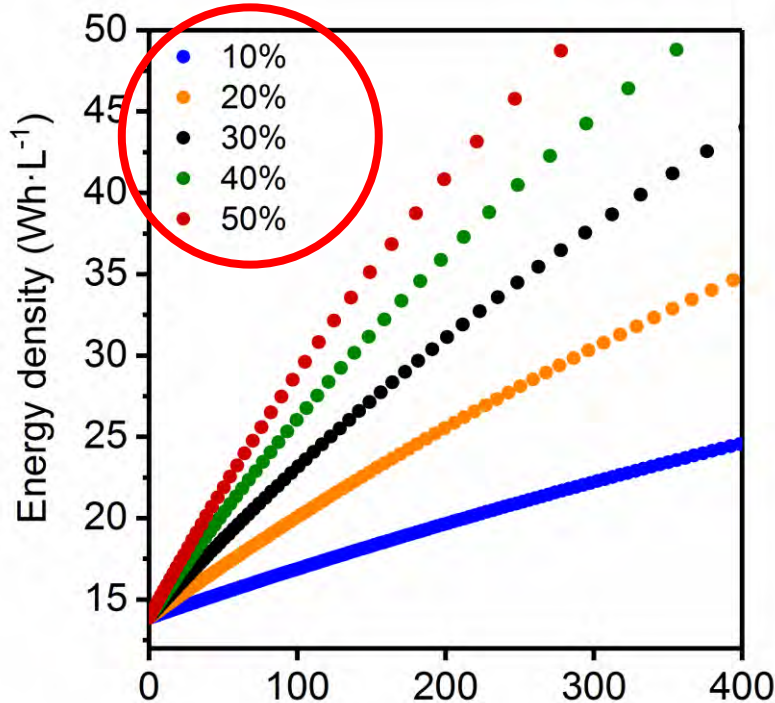


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#### Trade-off for Utilization Rate

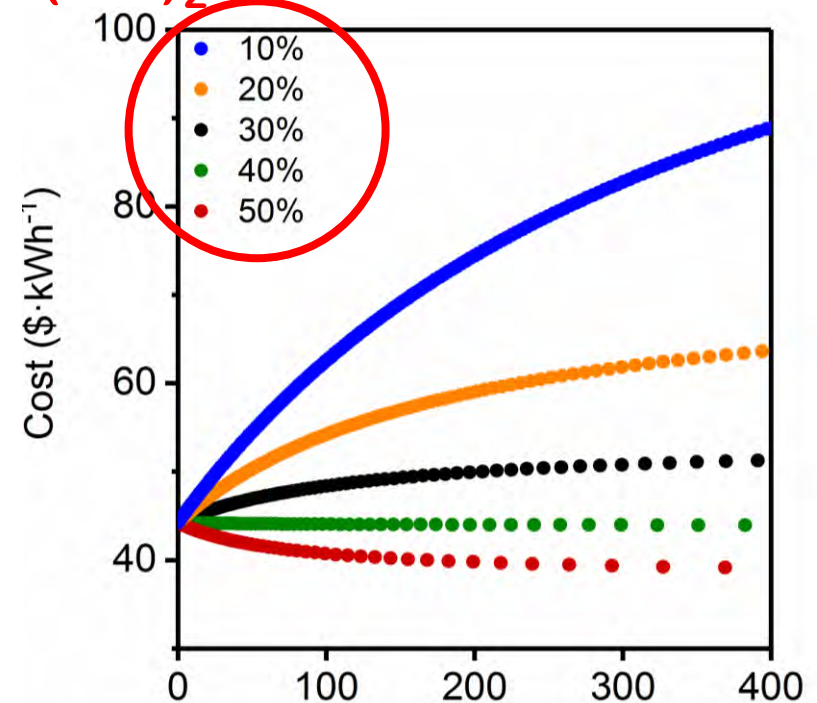
Ni-MH batteries have demonstrated  
**50.000 – 100.000** cycles for **40 – 20 % DoD**

#### Utilization rates of $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$



Mass of  $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$  per volume of electrolyte (g L<sup>-1</sup>)

Ph -FC



Mass of  $\text{Ni}(\text{OH})_2$  per volume of electrolyte (g L<sup>-1</sup>)

AQ -FC







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### Widening the Operating Temperature

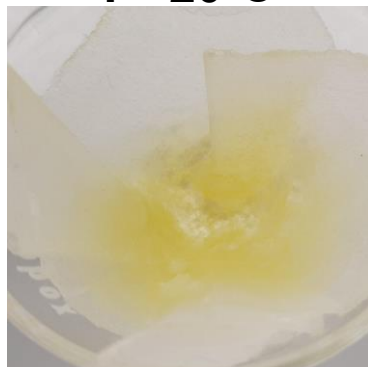
0.2 M DHPS +  
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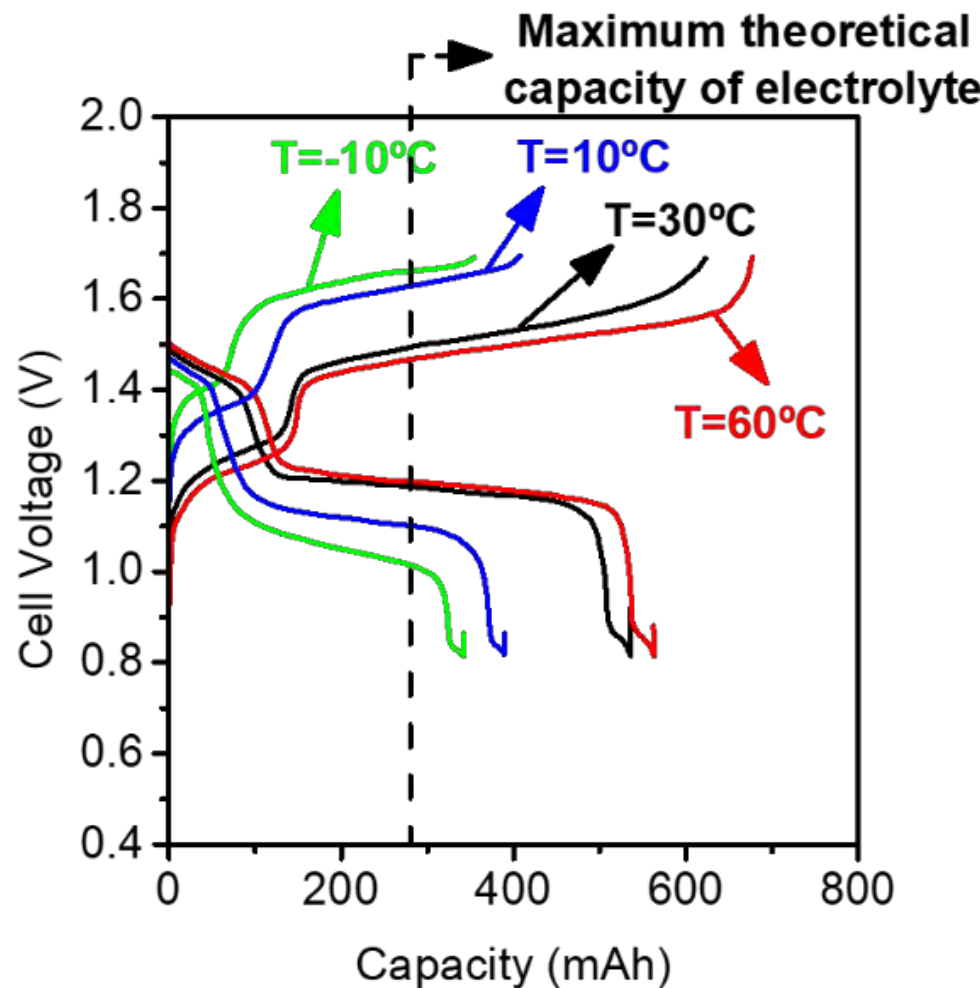
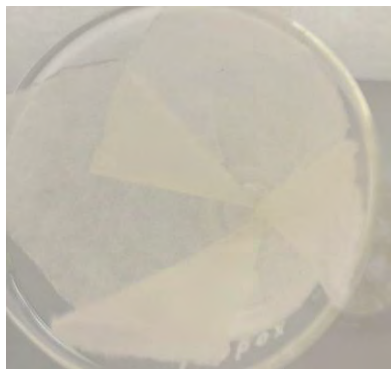
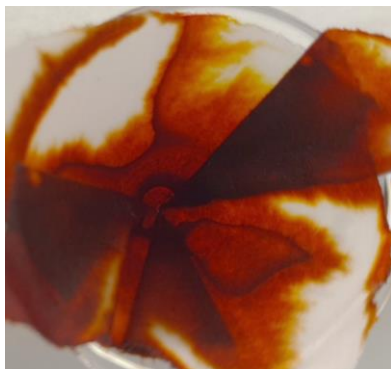
**T=-30°C**



**T=-20°C**



**T=-10°C**





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## Compatibility Issue

