

Irish zinc-iron flow battery project





Overview

Zinc-based flow batteries have attracted tremendous attention owing to their outstanding advantages of high theoretical gravimetric capacity, low electrochemical potential, rich abundance, and low cost.

Are neutral zinc-iron flow batteries a good choice?

Neutral zinc-iron flow batteries (ZIFBs) remain attractive due to features of low cost, abundant reserves, and mild operating medium. However, the ZIFBs based on $\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6^{3-}/\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6^{4-}$ catholyte suffer from Zn^{2+} precipitation due to the Zn^{2+} crossover from the anolyte.

Are zinc-iron flow batteries suitable for grid-scale energy storage?

Among which, zinc-iron (Zn/Fe) flow batteries show great promise for grid-scale energy storage. However, they still face challenges associated with the corrosive and environmental pollution of acid and alkaline electrolytes, hydrolysis reactions of iron species, poor reversibility and stability of Zn/Zn²⁺ redox couple.

Are zinc-based flow batteries a good choice for large scale energy storage?

The ultralow cost neutral Zn/Fe RFB shows great potential for large scale energy storage. Zinc-based flow batteries have attracted tremendous attention owing to their outstanding advantages of high theoretical gravimetric capacity, low electrochemical potential, rich abundance, and low cost of metallic zinc.

Are zinc-iron redox flow batteries safe?

Authors to whom correspondence should be addressed. Zinc-iron redox flow batteries (ZIRFBs) possess intrinsic safety and stability and have been the research focus of electrochemical energy storage technology due to their low electrolyte cost.



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