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# All-iron liquid flow battery electrolyte



## Overview

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What makes this battery different is that it stores energy in a unique liquid chemical formula that combines charged iron with a neutral-pH phosphate-based liquid electrolyte, or energy carrier. Why is electrolyte engineering important for all-iron flow batteries?

For all-iron flow batteries, electrolyte engineering is particularly important to mitigate HER, which competes with iron redox reactions. Additionally, optimizing carbon-based electrodes through surface modifications or catalyst coatings can enhance charge transfer efficiency.

How do all-iron flow batteries work?

When an energy source provides electrons, the flow pumps push the spent electrolyte back through the electrodes, recharging the electrolyte and returning it to the external holding tank. All-iron flow batteries use electrolytes made up of iron salts in ionized form to store electrical energy in the form of chemical energy.

How stable is an alkaline all-iron flow battery for LDEs?

Herein, we propose a highly stable alkaline all-iron flow battery for LDES by pairing the  $[\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{3-} / [\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6]^{4-}$  redox couple with the ferric/ferrous-gluconate ( $\text{Gluc}^-$ ) complexes redox couple, which exhibits high solubility ( $1.2 \text{ mol L}^{-1}$ ), fast redox kinetics and high stability in alkaline media.

What is an iron-based flow battery?

Iron-based flow batteries designed for large-scale energy storage have been around since the 1980s, and some are now commercially available. What makes this battery different is that it stores energy in a unique liquid chemical formula that combines charged iron with a neutral-pH phosphate-based liquid electrolyte, or energy carrier.

Are all-iron flow batteries suitable for high-temperature conditions?

Based on the analyses, it is proved that the electrolyte of an all-iron flow battery is suitable for high-temperature conditions. By comparing the electrochemical performance of anolyte and anolyte with citrate, the citrate is proved to be an effective additive in solving the problem of anolyte reversibility.

What is an example of an all-liquid all-iron flow battery?

For instance, Yan et al. came up with an all-liquid all-iron flow battery constructed by coupling an iron-triethanolamine (TEA) redox pair with an iron-cyanide redox pair in an alkaline aqueous system.

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