

# **Zinc-based flow battery applications**





## Overview

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What are the advantages of zinc-based flow batteries?

Benefiting from the uniform zinc plating and materials optimization, the areal capacity of zinc-based flow batteries has been remarkably improved, e.g., 435 mAh cm<sup>-2</sup> for a single alkaline zinc-iron flow battery, 240 mAh cm<sup>-2</sup> for an alkaline zinc-iron flow battery cell stack, 240 mAh cm<sup>-2</sup> for a single zinc-iodine flow battery.

What is a zinc-based flow battery?

Since the 1970s, various zinc-based flow batteries have been proposed and developed by coupling with different positive electrode reactions. Together with the all-vanadium system, zinc-based systems are one of the few flow battery chemistries to be scaled-up and commercialized, for various applications.

Are zinc-based flow batteries suitable for stationary energy storage applications?

Learn more. Zinc-based flow batteries (ZFBs) are well suitable for stationary energy storage applications because of their high energy density and low-cost advantages. Nevertheless, their wide application is still confronted with challenges, which are mainly from advanced materials.

What are zinc-bromine flow batteries?

Among the above-mentioned zinc-based flow batteries, the zinc-bromine flow batteries are one of the few batteries in which the anolyte and catholyte are completely consistent. This avoids the cross-contamination of the electrolyte and makes the regeneration of electrolytes simple.

Should zinc-cerium flow batteries be developed?

The early development of zinc-cerium flow battery has been reviewed by Walsh et al. Future work on this system should focus on low-cost, chemically



stable electrodes and electrolytes to dissolve more cerium species at low acid concentrations.

Can a zinc-based flow battery withstand corrosion?

Although the corrosion of zinc metal can be alleviated by using additives to form protective layers on the surface of zinc [14, 15], it cannot resolve this issue essentially, which has challenged the practical application of zinc-based flow batteries.



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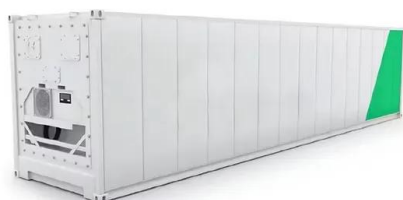
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