

FINAL AGENDA

November 6-7, 2023

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The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual

# BATTERY SAFETY SUMMIT

*Implementing Lithium-ion Battery Safety to Meet Increasing Energy Demands*

## 2023 CONFERENCE PROGRAMS



### CHEMISTRY FOR SAFETY

- Chemistry & Materials for Next-Generation Batteries
- Increasing Efficiency & Thermal Stability



### ENGINEERING FOR SAFETY

- Battery Management Systems and Charging Safety
- Forensics & Post-Incident Diagnostics & Testing



### REGULATORY SAFETY

- Transportation Safety & Regulation

With constantly increasing market demands for higher-energy density cells globally, it is critical that advances in chemistry and engineering for next-generation batteries have a significant focus on safety. With streams focusing on both materials and engineering for safety, the Battery Safety Summit will bring together the key players from around the world to present the latest R&D advancements for integrating and implementing LIB safety to meet ever-increasing energy demands.

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**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6**

**7:30 am Registration and Morning Coffee**

## NEXT-GENERATION BATTERIES

**8:50 Organizer's Welcome Remarks**

*Victoria Mosolgo, Conference Producer, Cambridge EnerTech*

**8:55 Chairperson's Remarks**

*Anil Mane, PhD, Principal Materials Science Engineer, Applied Materials Division, Argonne National Laboratory*

**9:00 Cell Pouch Corrosion**

*Benjamin Christian, Tech Specialist, Battery Development, General Motors Co.*

Corrosion for can neutral cells is a known industry challenge without well-understood failure mechanisms or test procedures. In this presentation, we will explore the failure mechanisms associated with can neutral corrosion, the pros and cons for cell polarity selection, and the importance of designing for both electrical and corrosion protection.

**9:30 Safety Related to Solid State Li-metal Batteries**

*Mickael Dollé, PhD, Professor, Department of Chemistry, Université de Montréal*

This talk will go into safety related to solid state Li-metal batteries.

**10:00 Networking Coffee Break**

**10:30 Enovix BrakeFlow Technology: A Breakthrough in Next-Gen Battery Safety**

*Jonathan Doan, PhD, Vice President, Research and Development, ENOVIX*

The Enovix stacked cell architecture, which uses a silicon anode, upends the conventional paradigm and enables both an increase in energy density, and a high level of abuse tolerance to reduce the risks of an internal short due to its BrakeFlow technology. With BrakeFlow incorporated, instead of a sudden catastrophic release of energy, the battery is designed to discharge safely and slowly.

**11:00 Battery Safety in the Future is Higher Energy, Lower Nickel and Cobalt Free**

*Matthew Bierman, PhD, Commercial Director, TexPower EV Technologies*

Conventional wisdom tells us that cobalt is required in high-energy electric vehicle batteries, but is it true? All battery companies are trying to reduce their cobalt usage in a stepwise fashion. TexPower EV Technologies, Inc. leapfrogs this iterative process with zero-cobalt battery technology that does not sacrifice energy, power, safety, or any other performance metrics. The future of EVs is longer range, more affordable and cobalt-free.

**11:30 SafeCore - An Internal Fuse to Help Prevent Thermal Runaway**



*Bill Davidson, COO, Amionx*

SafeCore was developed for the U.S. Army to prevent thermal runaway in lithium-ion battery packs that soldiers wear on the battlefield. A SafeCore enabled battery pack is able to sustain a direct hit from a rifle at point blank range without going into thermal runaway. SafeCore is a thin coating that is applied to the current collector using existing equipment in a battery factory used to coat the active material.

**11:45 Enjoy Lunch on Your Own**

## SODIUM-ION BATTERIES

**12:55 pm Chairperson's Remarks**

*Anil Mane, PhD, Principal Materials Science Engineer, Applied Materials Division, Argonne National Laboratory*

**1:00 Beyond Li-ion Battery Chemistries Based on Organic Electrode Materials**

*Yan Yao, PhD, Professor, Electrical Engineering, University of Houston*

The quest for cheaper, safer, higher-density, and more resource-abundant energy storage has driven significant battery innovations. In the context of materials development for next-generation batteries, organic battery electrode materials have emerged as an exciting option complementary

to inorganic materials. In this presentation, I will emphasize the unique advantages of organic battery materials in emerging beyond Li-ion battery technologies such as solid-state batteries, multivalent metal batteries, and aqueous batteries.

**1:30 Safety Analysis and Heat Generation Measurement during Cycling of Sodium-ion Batteries (SIBs)**

*Ijaz Mohsin, Batteries Calorimetry & Safety, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology*

Despite safer battery material, battery thermal management could be a key to safer post lithium technology. Na<sub>0.53</sub>MnO<sub>2</sub> & Na<sub>3</sub>V<sub>2</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>/C based materials as cathode and coconut shell-derived hard carbon as anode were studied in this work. The safety-related parameters, including the heat generation during charging, discharging, and thermal abuse tests, have been executed by the means of sophisticated calorimetry instruments.

**2:00 Sodium-ion Batteries**

*Hao Liu, PhD, Assistant Professor, Chemistry, SUNY Binghamton*

This talk will go into sodium-ion batteries and their promise as a more affordable alternative. Sodium-ion safety will also be discussed.

**2:30 Networking Refreshment Break**

## SOLID-STATE BATTERIES

**3:00 Solid-State Battery Safety: From Calorimetry to Characterization**

*Nathan Johnson, PhD, Postdoctoral Appointee, Sandia National Laboratories*

The validity of improved safety often attributed to solid-state batteries has recently been investigated. Key findings indicate reaction pathways exist in SSBs which can release significant heat. That heat release may result in temperatures approaching, and in some cases exceeding those seen in thermal runaway of conventional Li-ion batteries. In this talk, characterization of abused SSB materials will be examined and correlated to differential scanning calorimetry heat flows.

**3:30 Materials Design against Li-dendrite for Safer Fast-Cycling Solid-State Batteries**

*Xin Li, PhD, Associate Professor, School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, Harvard University*

Solid-state battery is a promising next-generation battery technology. However, Li-dendrite across the solid electrolyte layer is one major safety concern. Electrolyte and electrode materials can exhibit a broad distribution of capabilities to suppress Li-dendrite growth, especially through the new mechanism of dynamic voltage stability. The talk will focus on strategies to design materials and battery devices for enhanced safety against Li-dendrite at fast charge and discharge.

**4:00 Vapor Phase Modification of Battery Materials: Li-metal, Cathodes and Solid Electrolytes**

*Anil Mane, PhD, Principal Materials Science Engineer, Applied Materials Division, Argonne National Laboratory*

Complete solid-state lithium-ion batteries has attracted attention due to safety, high-energy density and higher operating voltages. We are working on surface-interface engineering and stabilizing battery materials such as Li-metal, solid electrolytes, and high-voltage cathode materials via cost effective and salable precursor vapor phase processing method. Here will present latest encouraging results and learning that will be helpful for both battery research community, as well as battery manufacturers.

**4:30 Welcome Reception in the Exhibit Hall with Poster Viewing**

**5:15 Dinner Tutorial Registration**

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**TUT2: Li-ion Battery Safety and Thermal Runaway\***

*Instructor:*

*Ahmad A. Pesaran, PhD, Chief Energy Storage Engineer, National Renewable Energy Laboratory*

\*Separate registration required. See tutorial page for more information.



**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7**

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## SAFE & EFFICIENT CHARGING

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*Naoki Matsumura, Principal Engineer, Intel*

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**9:30 Enhancement of Battery Sustainability by Charging Algorithms – Part 2**

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*Alexander Roberts, PhD, Associate Professor, Institute for Clean Growth and Future Mobility, Coventry University*

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**11:30 Examination and Modeling of Thermal Runaway on Li-ion Battery Impact of Chemistry, SOC, and Aging**

*Sara Abada, PhD, Research Engineer, Modeling of Electrochemical Storage Systems, IFP Energies Nouvelles*

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*Abdelaziz Abdellatif, PhD, Project Manager & Scientific Researcher, Lithium ion Batteries, ZSW*

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**2:30 Passive Cooling Impact on Increasing Efficiency & Thermal Stabilities of Batteries**

*Mohammad Moghimi Ardekani, Associate Professor of Clean Energy Technologies, Department of Engineering, Staffordshire University*

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*Michael Jones, Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division Newport*

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9:00 Cell Safety for Commercial Vehicles

*Dragoljub Vrankovic, PhD, Manager, Team Cell Technology, Daimler Truck*

Battery Electric Trucks can be the future backbone of the transport industry – combining maximum energy efficiency with good flexibility. Daimler Truck AG has proven with a number of projects and products on a global scale how capable these electric trucks can be. This presentation will investigate the special needs of batteries and cells for commercial vehicles with a special focus on the safety aspects.

9:30 Impact & Learnings from the GM EV First Responder Training Program

*Ryan Hickey, Advanced Battery Thermal Engineer, Global Product Group, General Motors*

Over the past year and a half, General Motors, OnStar, and the Illinois Fire Service Institute have traveled across North America training thousands of first and second responders on electric vehicles. This program was hands-on training in order to get the key questions answered for our first and second responders to stay safe. In addition, learnings, impact, and next steps for the program will be presented.

10:00 Networking Coffee Break

10:30 Safety First in Second-Life Battery Energy Storage Systems: A Wholistic Value-Chain Approach to Maximizing System Performance and Minimizing Operational Risk for Energy Storage Systems Utilizing First- and Second-Life Batteries

*Jeremy Bedine, Product Head, Volvo Energy*

This talk will provide a high-level overview of the BESS product lifecycle, and it will lay out the total value chain from design and development, site engineering and deployment, digitization, remote monitoring, field service, and asset management. It will illustrate how safety and risk management are woven into each of these value chain components.

## THERMAL RUNAWAY MITIGATION

11:00 The Fundamentals of Lithium Battery Safety

*John Zhang, PhD, CTO/CSO, Polypore International LP*

In this study, we will present our recent investigation in the field: incidents and thermal electrochemical mitigation (modeling) to address the intrinsic fundamentals of Li-ion safety. From the fundamental understandings, we developed various methods including Ceramic Coated Separator and tested various Li-ion batteries; some of the them are 50Ah NMC Li-ion batteries.

11:30 Advanced Battery Sensing for Early Detection **Honeywell** of Battery Thermal Runaway Events

*Chavonne Yee, Director, Standards and Regulations, Electrification, Sensing & Safety Technologies, Honeywell*

A Thermal Runaway event is a serious safety issue. Government around the globe such as China & India are enacting stringent regulations of a 5-minute thermal runaway event warning. Early detection of battery degradation indicative of pending thermal runaway provides additional time for battery system level countermeasures.

12:00 pm Enjoy Lunch on Your Own

## THERMAL RUNAWAY MITIGATION

12:55 Chairperson's Remarks

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1:00 Thermal Stability of Li-ion Batteries – An Electrolyte Perspective

*Gabriel Torres, Director of Product Management, Sionic Energy*

Thermal runaway (TR) in Li-ion batteries refers to uncontrollable exothermic reactions triggered by elevated temperatures. As the temperature of the battery rises, the exothermic reactions further heat up the cell, creating a positive feedback cycle. Despite recent safety monitoring advances in battery management systems (BMS), the prevention of thermal runaway remains a challenge. The talk will provide insights into delaying/mitigating TR in large format Li-ion cells using advanced electrolyte designs.

1:30 Evaluating the Safety of Next-Generation Energy Storage Cells

*Chuanbo Yang, PhD, Senior Engineer Energy Storage, Energy Conversion & Storage Systems Center, National Renewable Energy Laboratory*

The safety of next-generation batteries is not yet understood. With the support of the ARPA-E EVs4ALL program, NREL and UT Austin are working to develop a quantitative understanding of the thermal runaway process and associated risks for next-generation cell materials.

2:00 Comparing Safety-Relevant Parameters of Failing Batteries with Different Cell Chemistry

*Christiane Essl, Researcher, Battery Safety, VIRTUAL VEHICLE Research GmbH*

Battery failing behavior is influenced by several factors. One factor is the cell chemistry. In this presentation, results of failing state-of-the-art automotive cells will be presented and discussed. The focus will be on the comparison of NMC and LFP cells. The results will be compared in the categories: thermal behavior, vent gas production, and vent gas composition before, during, and after thermal runaway.

2:30 Networking Refreshment Break

3:00 Eliminate Thermal Runaway Risk Using Ultrasound BMS

*Srdjan Mutabdzija, Head Product Development UBMS, Titan Advanced Energy Solutions*

Titan's technology fundamentally changes how the industry manages batteries. Instead of estimating state-of-battery based on external parameters, ultrasound BMS prognoses thermal runaway events based on morphological changes in battery cells. In addition to safer battery management, more accurate state-of-charge and state-of-health leads to better battery utilization.

## BATTERY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SAFETY

3:30 BEV Safety Solutions with Composite Battery Enclosures and Underbody Battery Protection

*Gero Mimberg, Manager Thermal Systems, Kautex Textron GMBH*

Our Pentatonic battery system is our latest innovation for the electric vehicle market. Constructed of thermo-composites or composite-metal hybrid. The system offers numerous benefits over its steel and metal counterparts including reduced weight, a simplified bill of material and thus improved competitiveness. We capitalize on our decades of testing expertise in areas such as fire, leak tests and crash when designing and producing composite battery systems.

## CHARGING INNOVATION

4:00 Fast Charging of Lithium-ion Batteries with Monitoring and Controlling the Internal Physical States

*Weihan Li, Young Research Group Leader, RWTH Aachen University*

In this program, we will present our work in fast charging algorithm design based on monitoring and controlling the internal physical states, using electrochemical models, control algorithms, and machine learning.

4:30 Welcome Reception in the Exhibit Hall with Poster Viewing



## 5:15 Tutorial Registration

### 5:30 Dinner Tutorials

#### TUT2: Li-ion Battery Safety and Thermal Runaway\*

Instructor: Ahmad A. Pesaran, PhD, Chief Energy Storage Engineer, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

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## FORENSIC ANALYSIS

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### 8:55 Chairperson's Remarks

Judy Jeevarajan, PhD, Vice President and Executive Director, Electrochemical Safety Research Institute, UL Research Institutes

### 9:00 Fire, Smoke, and Emissions Characteristics for Lithium-ion during Thermal Runaway

Judy Jeevarajan, PhD, Vice President and Executive Director, Electrochemical Safety Research Institute, UL Research Institutes

The components and fire and smoke during thermal runaway of lithium-ion cells and modules have been characterized at different SOC, and for different cell formats, sizes and chemistries. In addition, large cell formats have been studied at various SOC for characterization of particulate emissions. The results of the research studies will be presented.

### 9:30 Progress and Limits with Plastic Current Collectors

Eric Darcy, PhD, Battery Technical Discipline Lead, Power Systems, NASA Johnson Space Center

Cathode metallized polyester current collectors (PCC) show very consistent tolerance to nail penetration in 18650 and 21700 cell designs from one manufacturer. These designs achieve 233 Wh/kg (622 Wh/L) and 251 Wh/kg (684 Wh/L), respectively. In contrast, a 21700 achieving 272 Wh/kg and 724 Wh/L is consistently driven into TR with the same nail penetration test. Have we reached a specific energy limit for the PCCs?

### 10:00 Navigating a Battery Recall: Managing Risk and Protecting Your Brand Name

Troy Hayes, PhD, Principal Engineer, Materials & Corrosion Engineering, Exponent

In a battery recall assessment, OEMs should act to minimize the risk to consumers while providing sound technical solutions to potentially replace batteries. This talk will discuss the recall process and important considerations, including: CPSC interactions, root cause analysis, future failure predictions, risk analysis to determine if a recall is warranted, recall scope limitation through traceability, and ensuring that replacement products resolve the issue at hand, and minimize future risk.

### 10:30 Networking Coffee Break in the Exhibit Hall with Poster Viewing

## ABUSE TOLERANCE, ADVANCED TESTING, AND SIMULATION

### 11:00 Science of Lithium-ion Battery Safety: Diagnostics and Modeling

Ahmad A. Pesaran, PhD, Chief Energy Storage Engineer, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

To design safer lithium-ion batteries for electric vehicles, a combination of experiments, diagnostic techniques, and multiphysics modeling tools are needed to understand how various abuses, such as mechanical crush, lead to electrical and thermal failures. NREL's Battery Abuse Diagnostics Laboratory can test and diagnose batteries under various abuse conditions, such as dynamic impact, and provides data as input to safety models, providing guidance to design safer cells and modules.

### 11:30 Predicting Thermal Runaway in Electric Vehicle Car Crash Simulations

Vidya Challa, PhD, Reliability Manager, ANSYS, Inc.

Kevin Kong, PhD, Senior Applications Engineer, ANSYS, Inc.

Battery Thermal runaway testing is expensive and destructive and is generally done in a limited manner. Simulation tools can be used to complement and reduce physical testing. This talk will present a workflow from single cell experiments to full crash modeling.

### 12:00 pm Enjoy Lunch on Your Own

### 1:55 Chairperson's Remarks

Eric Darcy, PhD, Battery Technical Discipline Lead, Power Systems, NASA Johnson Space Center

### 2:00 Thermal Propagation Analysis of the Breakdown Voltage Using a Test Bench with Simplified Multi-Cell Setup

Bjoern Mulder, Researcher, University of Stuttgart

This study investigates the impact of the thermal propagation reaction on the breakdown voltage inside a battery. Single thermal runaway cell tests in an autoclave yielded a gas composition, which was recreated omitting particles. The specific Paschen's law equation for this gas was obtained. Using venting gas from a battery module, the breakdown voltage with and without particles was compared.

### 2:30 Application of Calorimetry and Computed Tomography to Failure Behaviors of Lithium-ion Batteries under Different States of Charge

Sophie Lee, Senior Associate Consultant, Exponent

Accelerating Rate Calorimetry (ARC) was applied to study the influence of lithium-ion battery energy and state of charge (SOC) on the thermal behavior and failure mode. Characteristic events were found to occur at much lower temperatures and faster rates with increased cell SOC. X-ray Computed Tomography (CT) and cell teardown were then carried out to understand the failure mechanisms and reveal the fingerprints of cells failure at different SOCs.

### 3:00 Networking Refreshment Break in the Exhibit Hall with Poster Viewing

## BATTERY SAFETY BEYOND LITHIUM

### 3:30 Right to Repair: A Summary of Current Initiatives and Their Impact on the Battery Industry

John Copeland, Principal Engineer—Cell & Battery Testing, Element Materials Technology

"Right to Repair" initiatives were born out of consumer and independent repair shop frustration with devices that were either not feasible to repair due to their design or the required tools and spare parts were not available from the manufacturers. Some manufacturers have concerns that safety might be compromised by improper repairs. This presentation will sample current legislative efforts and review pros and cons of implementation in the battery industry.

### 4:00 PANEL DISCUSSION: Battery Safety: The Promise versus Reality

Moderator: Brian Barnett, PhD, President, Battery Perspectives

The roadmap to 2030 offers many opportunities, but not without major safety challenges. A panel of experts will discuss forecasts for 2030, providing insights about opportunities, challenges, barriers, and key factors shaping the 2030 roadmap to safer batteries.

Panelists:

Thomas Barth, PhD, Senior Accident Investigator & Biomechanics Engineer, Office of Highway Safety, National Transportation Safety Board

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*Judy Jeevarajan, PhD, Vice President and Executive Director, Electrochemical Safety Research Institute, UL Research Institutes*

The components and fire and smoke during thermal runaway of lithium-ion cells and modules have been characterized at different SOC, and for different cell formats, sizes and chemistries. In addition, large cell formats have been studied at various SOC for characterization of particulate emissions. The results of the research studies will be presented.

9:30 Progress and Limits with Plastic Current Collectors

*Eric Darcy, PhD, Battery Technical Discipline Lead, Power Systems, NASA Johnson Space Center*

Cathode metallized polyester current collectors (PCC) show very consistent tolerance to nail penetration in 18650 and 21700 cell designs from one manufacturer. These designs achieve 233 Wh/kg (622 Wh/L) and 251 Wh/kg (684 Wh/L), respectively. In contrast, a 21700 achieving 272 Wh/kg and 724 Wh/L is consistently driven into TR with the same nail penetration test. Have we reached a specific energy limit for the PCCs?

10:00 Navigating a Battery Recall: Managing Risk and Protecting Your Brand Name

*Troy Hayes, PhD, Principal Engineer, Materials & Corrosion Engineering, Exponent*

In a battery recall assessment, OEMs should act to minimize the risk to consumers while providing sound technical solutions to potentially replace batteries. This talk will discuss the recall process and important considerations, including: CPSC interactions, root cause analysis, future failure predictions, risk analysis to determine if a recall is warranted, recall scope limitation through traceability, and ensuring that replacement products resolve the issue at hand, and minimize future risk.

10:30 Networking Coffee Break in the Exhibit Hall with Poster Viewing

## ABUSE TOLERANCE, ADVANCED TESTING, AND SIMULATION

11:00 Science of Lithium-ion Battery Safety: Diagnostics and Modeling

*Ahmad A. Pesaran, PhD, Chief Energy Storage Engineer, National Renewable Energy Laboratory*

To design safer lithium-ion batteries for electric vehicles, a combination of experiments, diagnostic techniques, and multiphysics modeling tools are needed to understand how various abuses, such as mechanical crush, lead to electrical and thermal failures. NREL's Battery Abuse Diagnostics Laboratory can test and diagnose batteries under various abuse conditions, such as dynamic impact, and provides data as input to safety models, providing guidance to design safer cells and modules.

11:30 Predicting Thermal Runaway in Electric Vehicle Car Crash Simulations

*Vidya Challa, PhD, Reliability Manager, ANSYS, Inc.*

*Kevin Kong, PhD, Senior Applications Engineer, ANSYS, Inc.*

Battery Thermal runaway testing is expensive and destructive and is generally done in a limited manner. Simulation tools can be used to complement and reduce physical testing. This talk will present a workflow from single cell experiments to full crash modeling.

12:30 pm Enjoy Lunch on Your Own

1:55 Chairperson's Remarks

*Eric Darcy, PhD, Battery Technical Discipline Lead, Power Systems, NASA Johnson Space Center*

2:00 Thermal Propagation Analysis of the Breakdown Voltage Using a Test Bench with Simplified Multi-Cell Setup

*Bjoern Mulder, Researcher, University of Stuttgart*

This study investigates the impact of the thermal propagation reaction on the breakdown voltage inside a battery. Single thermal runaway cell tests in an autoclave yielded a gas composition, which was recreated omitting particles. The specific Paschen's law equation for this gas was obtained. Using venting gas from a battery module, the breakdown voltage with and without particles was compared.

2:30 Application of Calorimetry and Computed Tomography to Failure Behaviors of Lithium-ion Batteries under Different States of Charge

*Sophie Lee, Senior Associate Consultant, Exponent*

Accelerating Rate Calorimetry (ARC) was applied to study the influence of lithium-ion battery energy and state of charge (SOC) on the thermal behavior and failure mode. Characteristic events were found to occur at much lower temperatures and faster rates with increased cell SOC. X-ray Computed Tomography (CT) and cell teardown were then carried out to understand the failure mechanisms and reveal the fingerprints of cells failure at different SOCs.

3:00 Networking Refreshment Break in the Exhibit Hall with Poster Viewing

## BATTERY SAFETY BEYOND LITHIUM

3:30 Right to Repair: A Summary of Current Initiatives and Their Impact on the Battery Industry

*John Copeland, Principal Engineer—Cell & Battery Testing, Element Materials Technology*

"Right to Repair" initiatives were born out of consumer and independent repair shop frustration with devices that were either not feasible to repair due to their design or the required tools and spare parts were not available from the manufacturers. Some manufacturers have concerns that safety might be compromised by improper repairs. This presentation will sample current legislative efforts and review pros and cons of implementation in the battery industry.

4:00 PANEL DISCUSSION: Battery Safety: The Promise versus Reality

*Moderator: Brian Barnett, PhD, President, Battery Perspectives*

The roadmap to 2030 offers many opportunities, but not without major safety challenges. A panel of experts will discuss forecasts for 2030, providing insights about opportunities, challenges, barriers, and key factors shaping the 2030 roadmap to safer batteries.

*Panelists:*

*Thomas Barth, PhD, Senior Accident Investigator & Biomechanics Engineer, Office of Highway Safety, National Transportation Safety Board*

*Troy Hayes, PhD, Principal Engineer, Materials & Corrosion Engineering, Exponent*

*Eric Darcy, PhD, Battery Technical Discipline Lead, Power Systems, NASA Johnson Space Center*

5:00 Close of Conference



# TRANSPORTATION SAFETY & REGULATION

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

7:30 am Registration and Morning Coffee

## TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND STANDARDS

8:50 Organizer's Welcome Remarks

*Victoria Mosolgo, Conference Producer, Cambridge EnerTech*

8:55 Chairperson's Remarks

*Thomas Barth, PhD, Senior Accident Investigator & Biomechanics Engineer, Office of Highway Safety, National Transportation Safety Board*

9:00 Hazardous Materials Transportation Safety

*William S. Schoonover, Staff Director, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, US Department of Transportation*

9:30 Building the Future with Energy Storage Codes and Standards

*Kevin Fok, Director of Compliance, LG Energy Solution Vertech, Inc.*

There has been significant growth of the renewable energy and energy storage market during the past several years. Energy storage systems are being installed in a variety of locations, including residential, commercial, and remote. One key factor in the successful deployment of systems is meeting the required codes and standards. This presentation discusses some of the key codes and standards for energy storage, as well as the continually developing landscape.

10:00 Networking Coffee Break

## FIRE SAFETY

10:30 Update on NTSB Electric Vehicle Fire Investigations, and Observations on Hazards and Regulations

*Thomas Barth, PhD, Senior Accident Investigator & Biomechanics Engineer, Office of Highway Safety, National Transportation Safety Board*

NTSB investigations have included lithium-ion battery fires involving aircraft, transportation of hazardous materials, passenger vehicles, and battery electric buses. This presentation summarizes investigations focused on electric passenger vehicles and buses, provides a status of findings and recommendations concerning safety risks to emergency responders from lithium-ion battery fires in electric vehicles, and makes observations on responder hazards and regulations for electric vehicles.

11:00 How Should First Responders Handle Damaged Batteries Post-Incident?

*Jimmy DeChant, HazMat Specialist, Colorado Springs Fire Department*

Comprehensive review and assistance for industry and regulatory agencies in developing a standardized approach to the appropriate containment and mitigation of Li-ion batteries. First responders need to understand the risk, proper handling, and disposal of these devices. Appropriate transportation regulations and standards for damaged Li-ion devices need to be developed for large devices that do not meet special DOT permits, i.e. EV and ESS systems that have been damaged.

11:30 Enjoy Lunch on Your Own

## SAFETY THROUGHOUT THE BATTERY MARKET

12:55 pm Chairperson's Remarks

*Bob Richard, PhD, President, Hazmat Safety Consulting, LLC*

1:00 Safer Battery-Powered Consumer Products

*Jay Kadiwala, Electrical Engineer, Directorate for Engineering Sciences, US Consumer Product Safety Commission*

This talk will focus on an update on compliance recalls and incident data, emerging hazards and technology, voluntary standards activities, research testing, and data findings.

1:30 Maritime Battery Safety Specifics – How Do the Safety Requirements for Maritime Batteries Differ from Automotive and Land-Based ESS?

*Lars Ole Valoen, PhD, CTO, Corvus Energy*

Battery systems for the ocean space offer unprecedented savings per kWh of batteries installed. The harsh environment is, however, a significant risk factor together with the short period of collective experience and potentially drastic consequences of a battery failure. As a result, maritime safety must go beyond the present automotive and land-based ESS safety. A layered safety approach starting with a self-extinguishing battery system is therefore needed.

2:00 Safer Recycling

*Richard 'Bo' Bodo, Senior Director, Training & Development, LiCycle*

This presentation will discuss Li-Cycle's recycling approach – a low cost, safe, and environmentally friendly process – which recycles all types of Li-ion batteries with an unparalleled recovery rate of up to 95% of all materials.

2:30 Networking Refreshment Break

## REGULATIONS & TRANSPORT

3:00 The United Nations Subcommittee on the Transport of Dangerous Goods Regulatory Update: Which New Regulations Are Expected for Lithium Batteries?

*Bob Richard, PhD, President, Hazmat Safety Consulting, LLC*

This presentation will address the latest lithium-battery transport regulatory changes, as well as those under development. The presentation will cover the lithium-battery hazard-based classification initiative that is under development and sure to have an impact. Bob Richard is a member of the UN Working Group on Lithium Battery Hazard Based Classification System, and he will bring us up to speed on what we can expect.

3:30 Use of Impingement Zone Mapping for the Development of Safe Transport Solutions

*William Walker, CTO, KULR Technology*

Impingement Zone Mapping (IZM) is a new blast plate technique developed by KULR to aid in the characterization of failure patterns in lithium-ion thermal runaway ejecta. By analyzing IZM data, the heat flux, time of event, and 3D model of the event can be determined. This allows for efficient and effective design of containment structures for Li-ion cells.

4:00 PANEL DISCUSSION: Regulations & Infrastructure – What Is Being Done to Keep Battery Transportation Safe?

*Moderator: Bob Richard, PhD, President, Hazmat Safety Consulting, LLC*

*Panelists:*

*William S. Schoonover, Staff Director, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, US Department of Transportation*

*William Walker, CTO, KULR Technology*

4:30 Welcome Reception in the Exhibit Hall with Poster Viewing

5:15 Dinner Tutorial Registration

5:30 Dinner Tutorials

TUT2: Li-ion Battery Safety and Thermal Runaway\*

*Instructor:*

*Ahmad A. Pesaran, PhD, Chief Energy Storage Engineer, National Renewable Energy Laboratory*

\*Separate registration required. See tutorial page for more information.





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Instructor:

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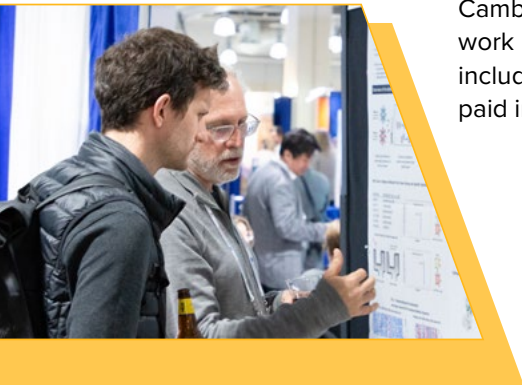
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