

Battery technology can still break through

Can a real-world stop-and-go battery make a battery last longer?

Consumers' real-world stop-and-go driving of electric vehicles benefits batteries more than the steady use simulated in almost all laboratory tests of new battery designs, Stanford-SLAC study finds. The way people actually drive and charge their electric vehicles may make batteries last longer than researchers have estimated. |Cube3D

Are batteries the future of energy?

The planet's oceans contain enormous amounts of energy. Harnessing it is an early-stage industry, but some proponents argue there's a role for wave and tidal power technologies. (Undark) Batteries can unlock other energy technologies, and they're starting to make their mark on the grid.

Can new manufacturing processes reduce the environmental impact of batteries?

Corporations and universities are rushing to develop new manufacturing processes to cut the cost and reduce the environmental impact of building batteries worldwide.

Can batteries unlock other energy technologies?

Batteries can unlock other energy technologies, and they're starting to make their mark on the grid. This article is from The Spark, MIT Technology Review's weekly climate newsletter. To receive it in your inbox every Wednesday, sign up here. Batteries are on my mind this week. (Aren't they always?)

What's going on in the battery industry?

From more efficient production to entirely new chemistries, there's a lot going on. The race is on to generate new technologies to ready the battery industry for the transition toward a future with more renewable energy. In this competitive landscape, it's hard to say which companies and solutions will come out on top.

What happens if lithium ion batteries break?

Lithium or sodium can be put into metal alloys, Tolbert said. This results in the whole material becoming ductile and amorphous. It can expand without cracking. Usually, battery components are brittle; when they break, the electrical circuit can be damaged. Tolbert's team has also experimented with making lithium-ion batteries charge faster.

While battery prices have plummeted about 90% over the past 15 years, batteries still account for almost a third of the price of a new EV. So, current and future EV commuters may be happy to learn ...

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Researchers from the Harvard John A. Paulson School of Engineering and Applied Sciences (SEAS) have developed a new lithium metal battery that can be charged and discharged at least 6,000 times -- more than any other pouch battery cell -- and can be recharged in a matter of minutes.

A lightweight structural battery that can provide enough energy could be built into the object it is powering, solving many of these issues. But critics say this makes batteries incredibly ...

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The batteries can also fast-charge over four hours and can be configured to discharge over anywhere from two to 110 hours. "We're highly configurable, and that's important because depending on where you are, you can sometimes run on two cycles a day with solar, and in combination with wind, you could truly get 24/7 electricity," Chatter says.

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The good news is the technology is becoming increasingly economical. Battery costs have fallen drastically, dropping 90% since 2010, and they're not done yet. According to the IEA report ...

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