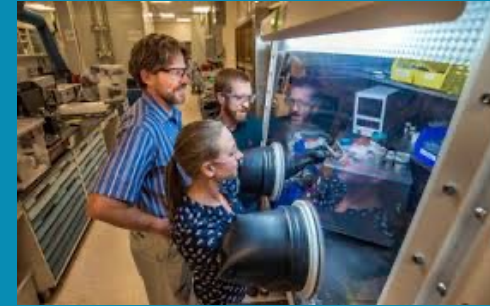


Emerging Grid-Scale Energy Storage: A Key to Unlocking a Resilient Energy Future



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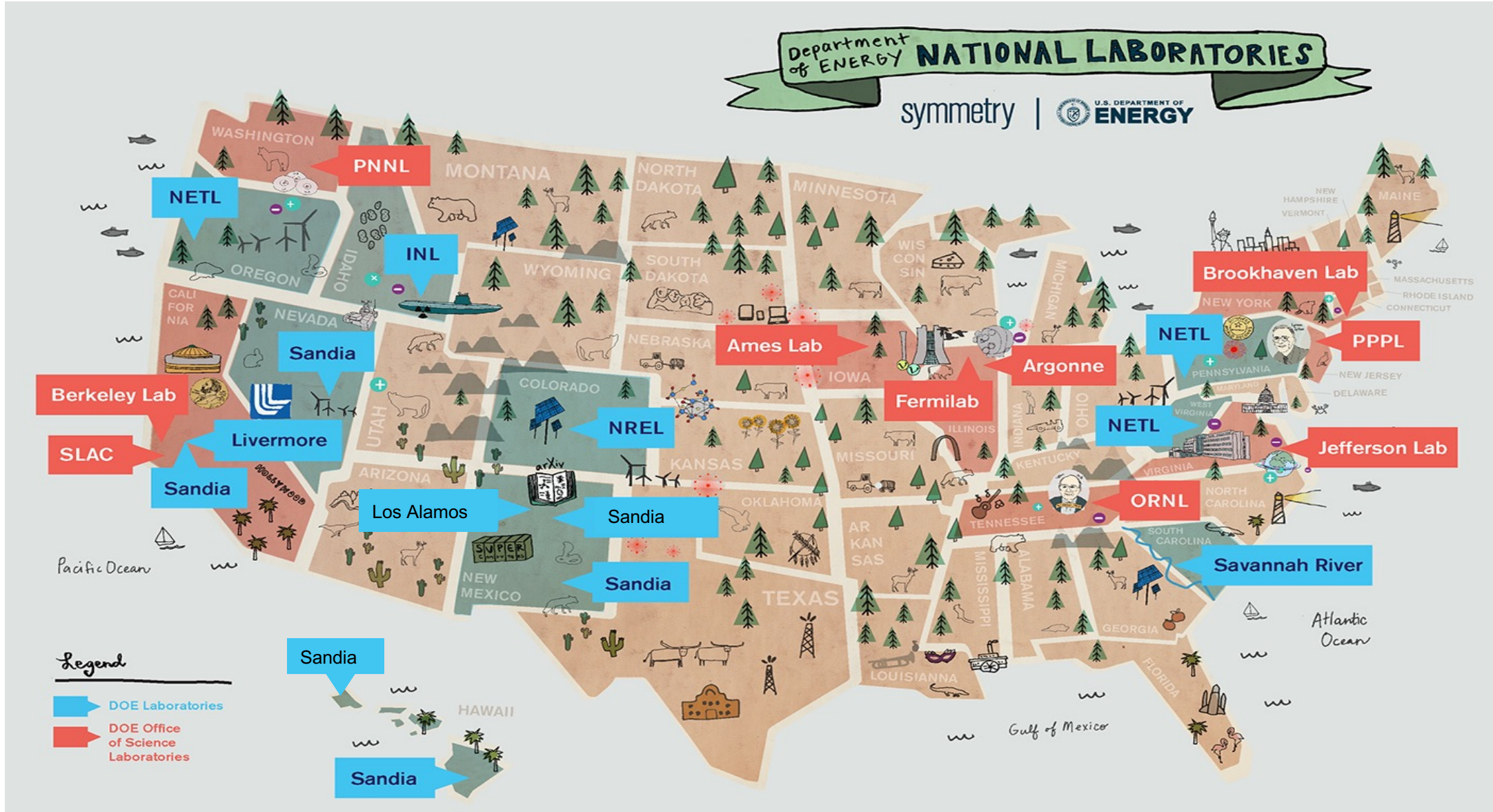
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What is the Ultimate Challenge for Grid-Scale, Long-Duration Storage?



How can we replace high energy density fossil fuels, not just for generation, but for storage?



[greengroundswell.com](https://www.greengroundswell.com)



Energy, Power and Applications



Power (kW) - can be thought of as rate of flow of electricity

Energy (kWh) - can be thought of as capacity (power x time)

Power Applications involve relatively shorter discharge durations (seconds to minutes) with fast recharging and often require many cycles per day.

- **Applications include** frequency and voltage regulation, power quality, renewables generation smoothing and ramp rate control and trackside regulation for electric rail operators. For example: Li ion batteries

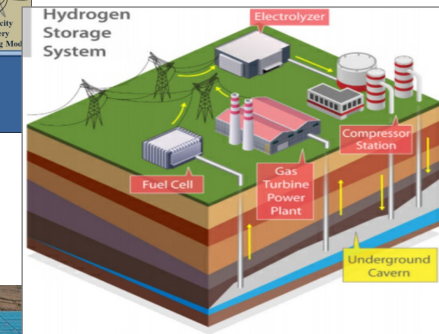
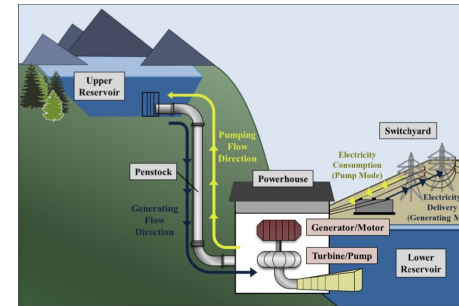
Energy Applications involve continuous discharges over extended durations (hours or more) with extended recharge times.

- **Applications include** peak shaving, load-leveling, transmission and distribution upgrade deferral, customer demand charge and energy charge reduction, renewables generation shifting and energy arbitrage or commodity storage.

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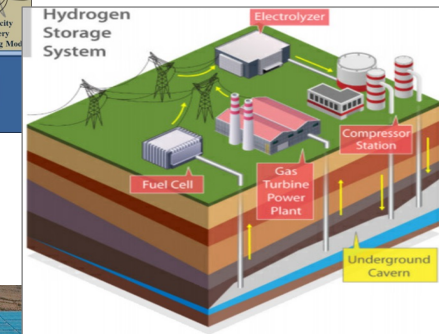
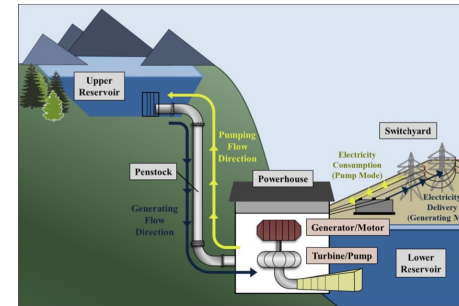
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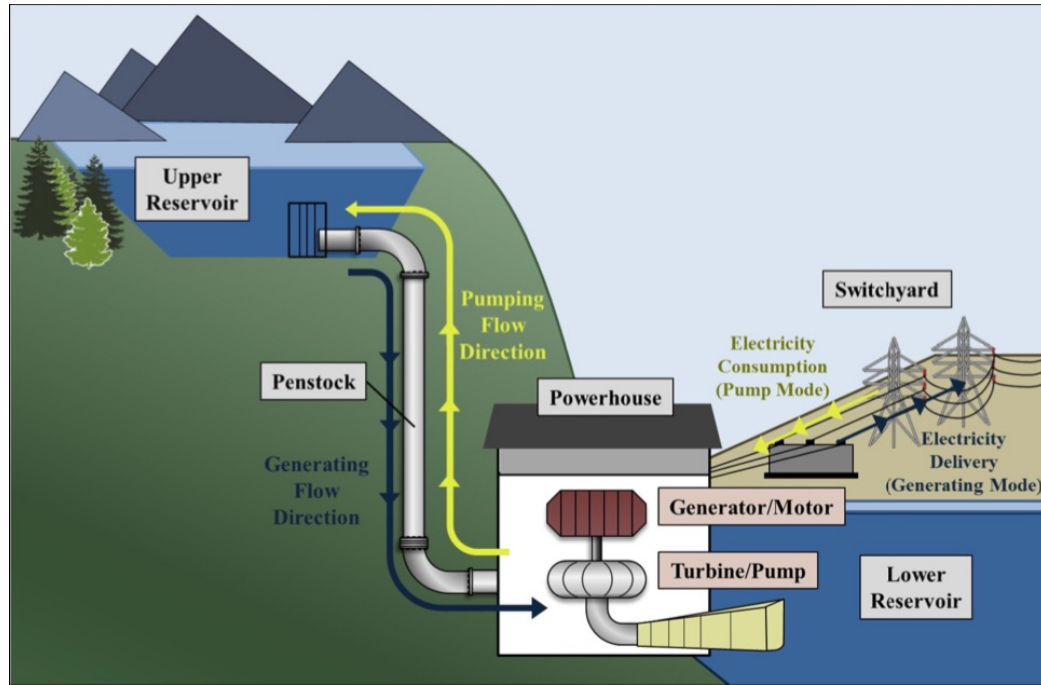
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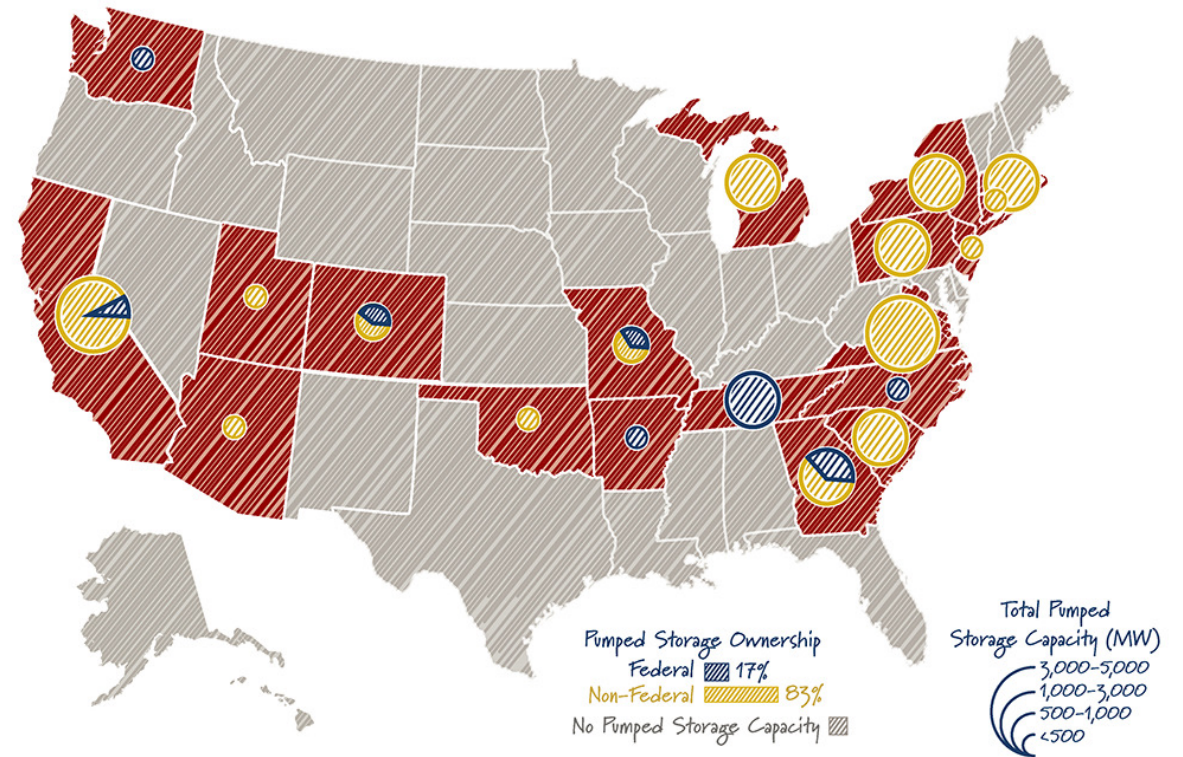
Pumped Hydro Storage: King on the Hill



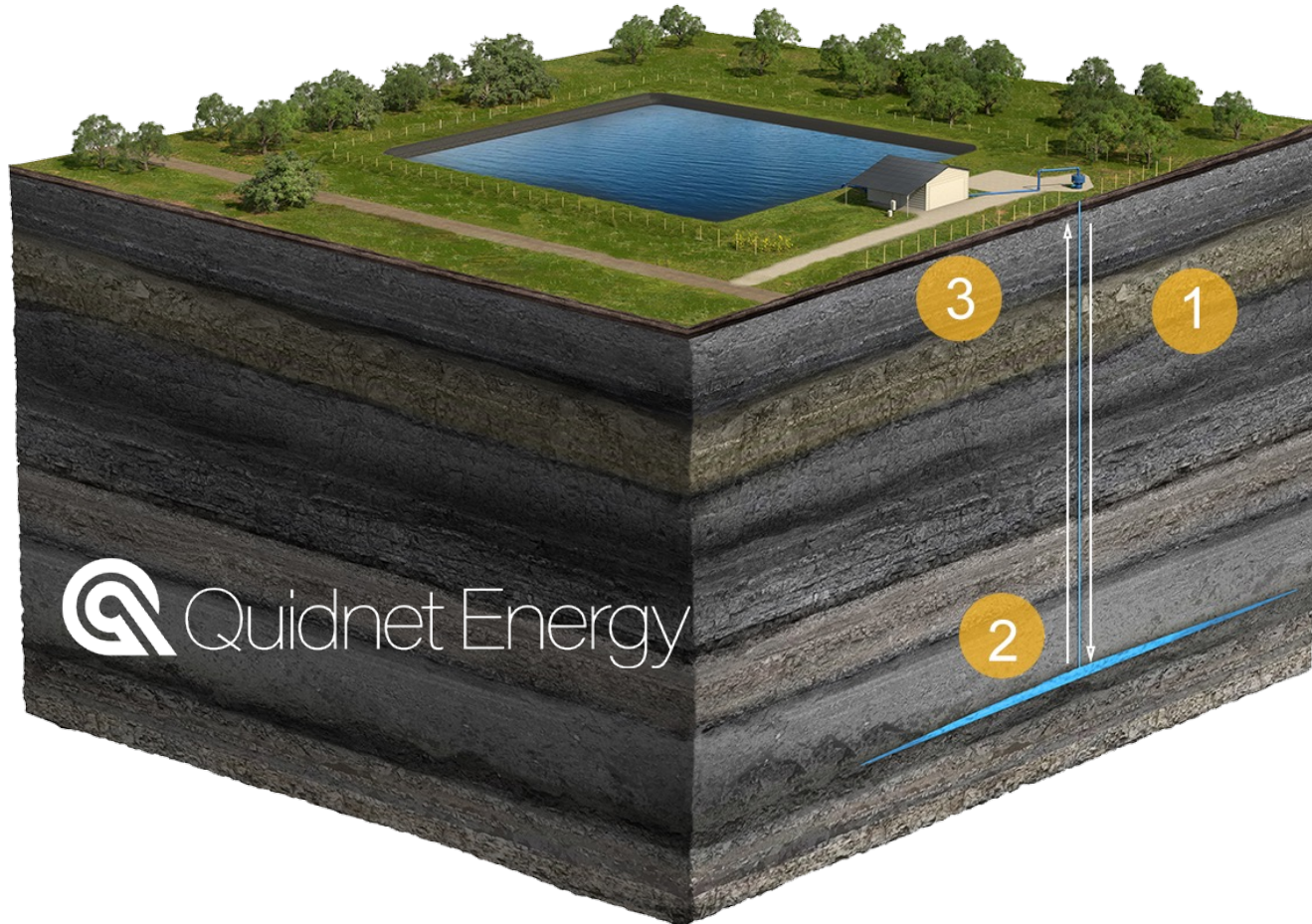
Substantially “mature” and long lifetime
- Most large-scale systems built in 1970s...

- 4-20 hour discharge duration
- ~ 80% efficient
- Largest system in Bath County, Virginia
 - 3GW / 24GWh

~22,000 MW of pumped storage



<https://clearpath.org/tech-101/americas-energy-storage-workhorse-pumped-hydro-at-the-races-once-again/>



Storage Process

1. Pump water from a pond down a well and into a body of rock.
2. The well is closed, keeping the energy stored under pressure between rock layers for as long as needed.
3. When electricity is needed, the well is opened to let the pressurized water pass through a turbine to generate electricity, and return to the pond ready for the next cycle.

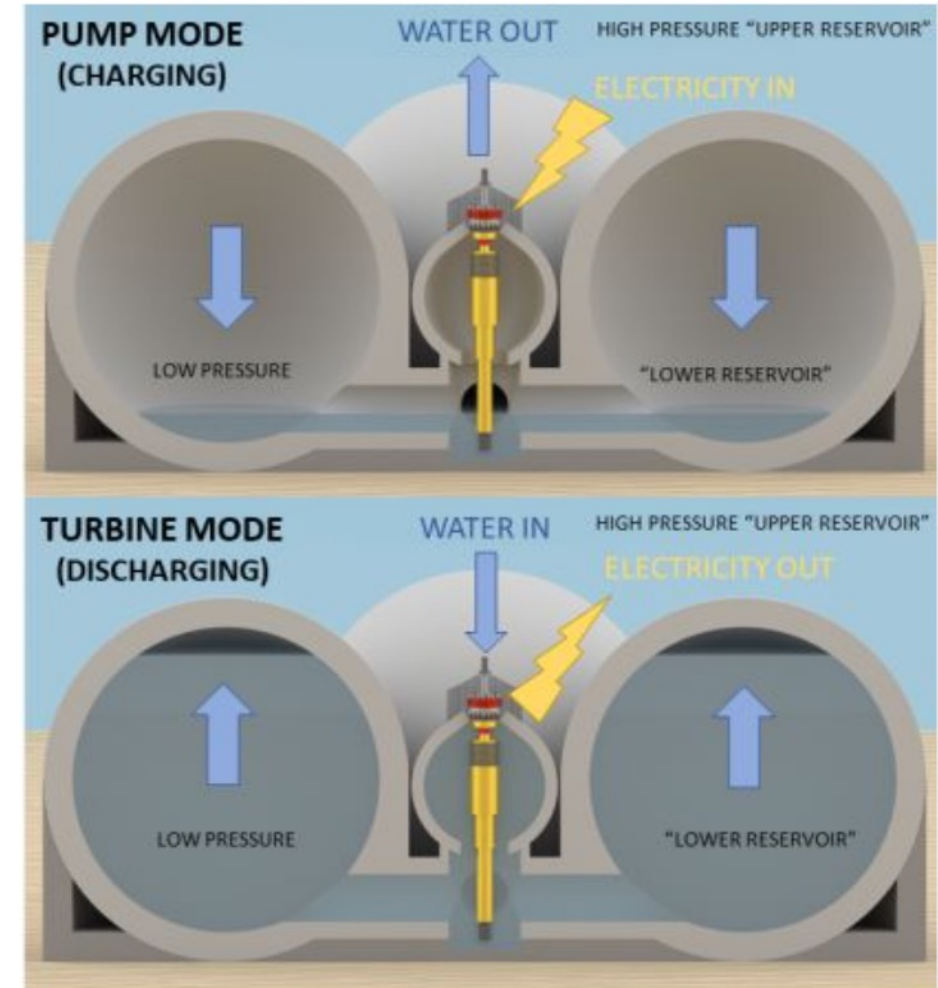
1-10 MW systems,
10+ hour modules

Underwater Pumped Hydro (e.g., RCAM)



Subsea storage solution integrates with offshore wind to provide firm, steady power

100-2000m



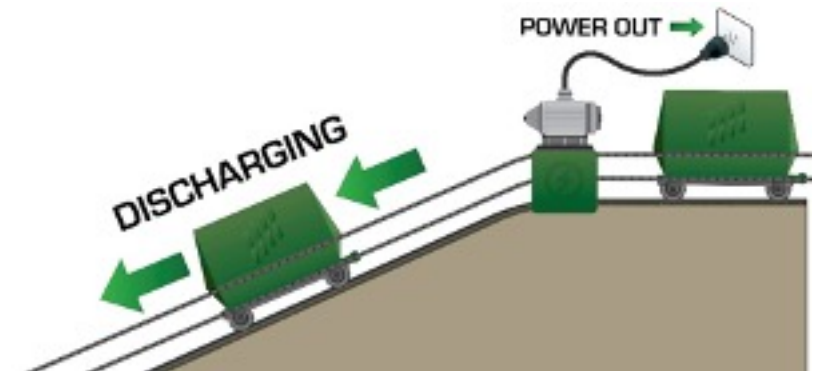
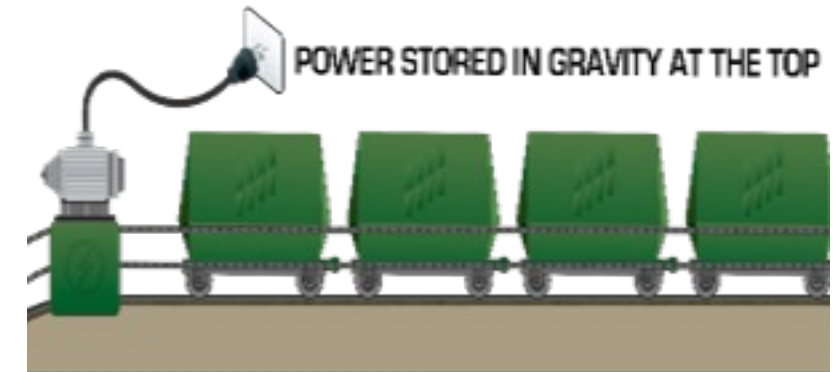
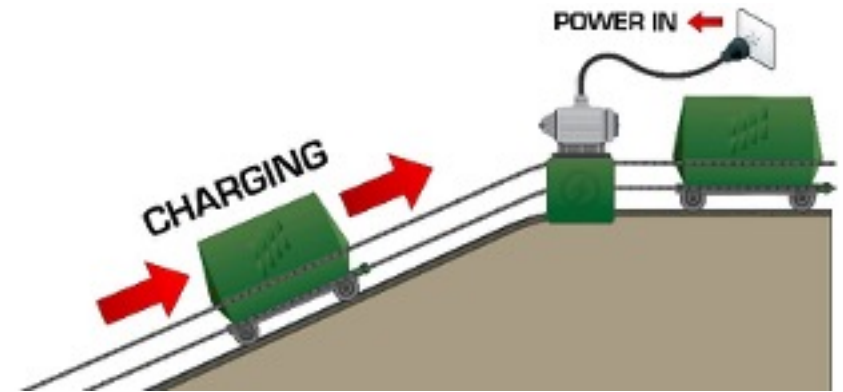
Nominally, three 30-m diameter spheres installed in 700-m water and a 5-MW pump/turbine module has a storage capacity of 60 MWh (12 hours). Increasing the spheres to 8 per pump/turbine provides 32 hours or 160 MWh of energy storage.

Gravity/Mechanical Storage: Gravity Rail Storage



Advanced Rail Energy Storage (ARES)

Scalability	5MW – 1GW
Storage Duration	15 mins–10 hours
Time to Max Output Discharge (optimal)	3 seconds
Time to Max Output Consumption (optimal)	3 seconds
Round-Trip Efficiency	90%+
System Life	40+ years
Flammability	Non-flammable



*50MW GravityLine™ system in Pahrump Valley, NV is under construction

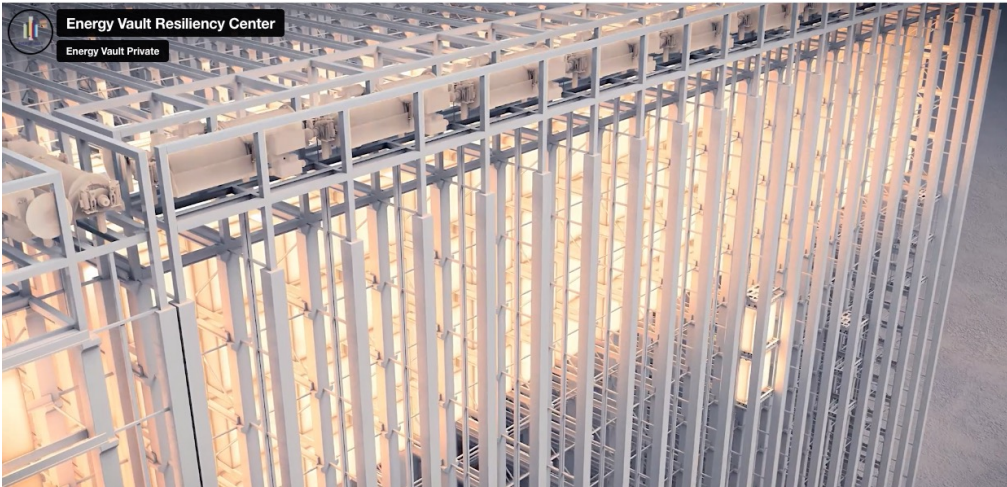
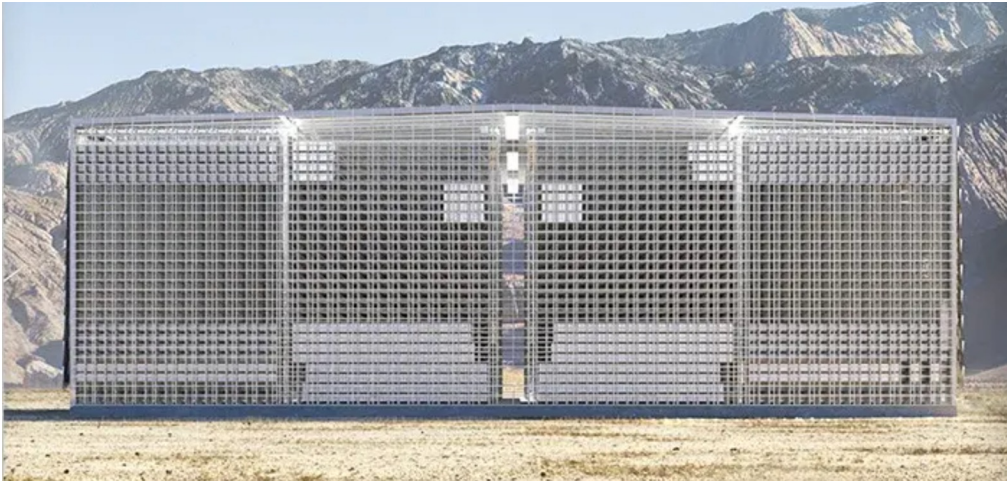
Gravity/Mechanical Storage: Stacked Block



Prototype completed in July 2021 in Ticino, Switzerland

- Scalable in 10MWh increments
- 2-4 hour and 4-12+ hour duration
- Emphasizes local, sustainable sourcing of materials

Gravity/Mechanical Storage: Stacked Block



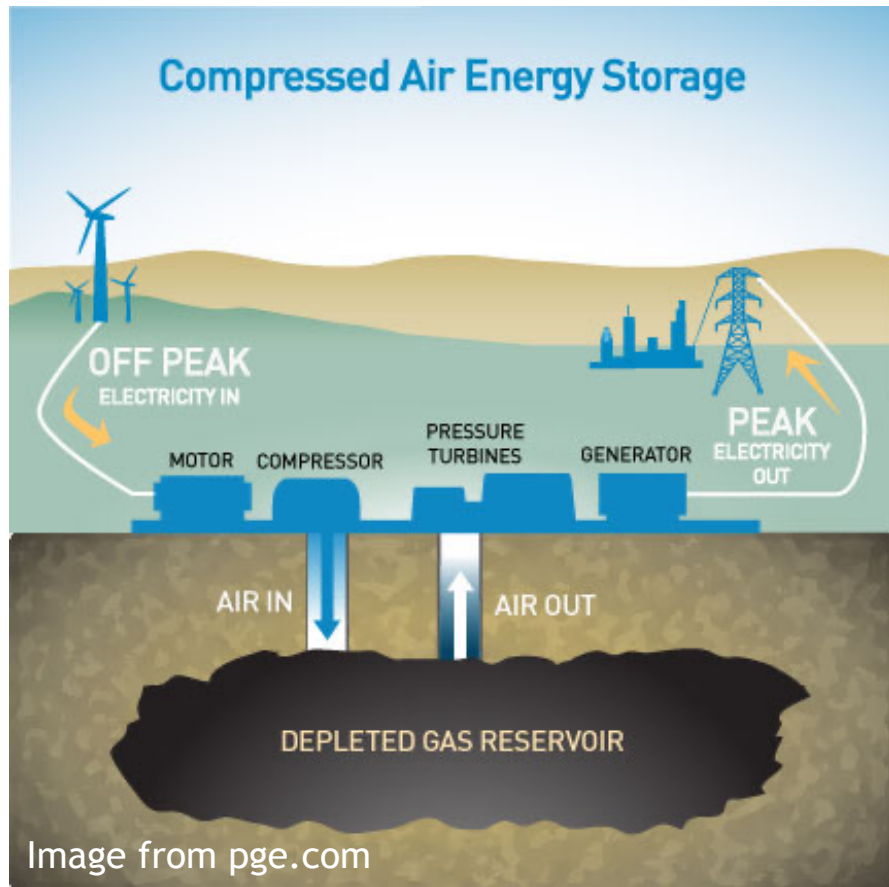
- Energy Vault® EVx™ system raises/lowers 30 ton bricks
- Scalable in 10MWh modules
- China Tianying Group (CNTY) is installing a 25 MW/100MWh system in Rudong, China (near Shanghai)

Compressed Air Energy Storage (CAES)



Examples of Current conventional CAES systems:

- Uniper Kraftwerke GmbH (Huntorf, Germany) 290 MW, 2 hour discharge time operational 1978
- Power South Energy Coop (McIntosh, Alabama) 110 MW, 26 hour discharge time (2.86GWh), operational 1991



Proposed Hydrostar plant, planned to provide 500 MW, 4GWh (Rosamond, CA)

Compressed Air Storage: Recent Developments

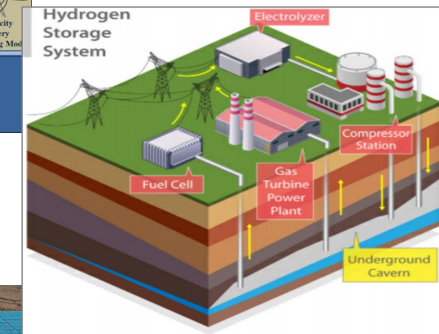
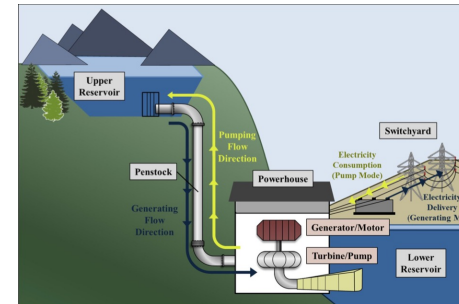


Project Name	Location	CAES Technology	Project Purpose	Project Status	Years Active	Power [MW]	Capacity [MWh]	Efficiency [%]	Air Storage Pressure [bar]	Storage Method
Norton CAES plant	Norton, Ohio, USA	Conventional diabatic, gas fuelled	Commercial	Not realised	2001–2013	800–2700	–	–	55–110	Repurposed limestone mine
GAELECTRIC Northern Ireland	Islandmagee, Co Antrim, UK	Conventional diabatic, gas fuelled	Commercial	Not realised	2008–2019	200 (charge) 330 (discharge)	1980	–	–	Solution mined salt cavern
Seneca CAES Project	Reading, New York, USA	Conventional diabatic, gas fuelled	Demonstration	Not realised	2010–2012	130–210	2000	–	–	Solution mined salt cavern
SustainX Smart Grid Programme	Seabrook, New Hampshire, USA	Isothermal, innovative water-foam mixture employed to ensure constant heat transfer during compression and expansion	Demonstration	Discontinued	2013–2015	2.2 (charge) 1.65 (discharge)	1	54	12–207	Above ground pressure vessels
ADELE project	Staßfurt, Germany	Adiabatic, sensible heat store	Commercial	Discontinued	2010–2016	200	1000	70	100	Solution mined salt caverns
PG&E Advanced Underground CAES	San Joaquin County, California, USA	Conventional diabatic, gas fuelled	Commercial	Not realised	2010–2018	300	–	–	–	Depleted natural gas store
TICC-500	Tsinghua University, China	Adiabatic, sensible heat store	Demonstration	Active	2014 – present	0.5	0.5	33	30–110	Overground storage tank
Chinese Academy of Sciences, CAES demonstration plant	Bijie City, Guizhou, China	Adiabatic, sensible heat store	Demonstration	Active	2017 – present	2.8 (charge) 10 (discharge)	40	62.3	70	Overground storage tanks
Pilot scale demonstration of AA-CAES	Gotthard base tunnel, Biasca, Switzerland	Adiabatic, sensible heat/combined sensible-latent heat store	Demonstration	Active	2017 – present	0.7	–	63–74	8	Previously excavated unlined rock cavern
Zhongyan Jintan CAES	Jintan, Jiangsu, China	Adiabatic, sensible heat store	Commercial	Commissioned	2017 – present	50–60	200–300	–	–	Solution mined salt cavern
Goderich A-CAES facility	Goderich, Ontario, Canada	Adiabatic, cavern flooded and hydrostatic pressure used for isobaric storage	Commercial	Active	2019 – present	2.2 (charge) 1.75 (discharge)	7	>60	–	Specifically mined cavern
Apex CAES Bethel Energy Centre	Tennessee Colony, Texas, USA	Conventional diabatic, gas fuelled	Commercial	Commissioned	2019 – present	324–487	16000	–	–	Solution mined salt cavern
Feicheng A-CAES	Feicheng, Shandong, China	Adiabatic, sensible heat store	Commercial	Active	2019 – present	50–1250 (expected)	7500	67	–	Solution mined salt cavern
Angas A-CAES facility	Strathalbyn, South Australia, Australia	Adiabatic, cavern flooded and hydrostatic pressure used for isobaric storage	Commercial	Commissioned	2022 (expected)	5	10	>60	–	Repurposed zinc mine

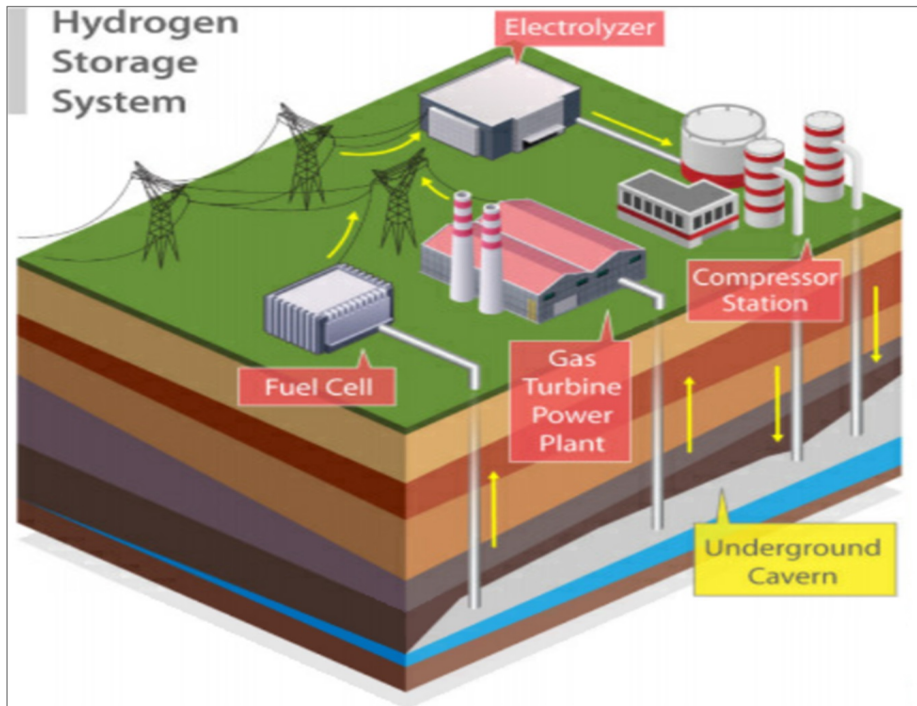
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Hydrogen Energy Storage



- Smaller quantities of H₂ can be stored in pressurized vessels (MWh scale)
- Larger amounts of H₂ can be stored in underground salt caverns at high pressure (e.g., 500,000 cubic meters at 2,900 psi would afford ~100GWh of stored electricity). nearly 3,000 psi).
- Hydrogen electrolysis is ~70-80% efficient (R&D is improving this value...)
- Re-electrifying hydrogen in fuel cells is ~50% efficient; burning in combined cycle gas power plants ~60%.

American Clean Power - <https://energystorage.org/why-energy-storage/technologies/hydrogen-energy-storage/>

Hydrogen energy storage involves

- 1) an electrolyzer (or other H₂ generator)
- 2) bulk storage (e.g. cavern or vessel)
- 3) fuel cell or turbine.

Management of hydrogen losses during storage/transport must be addressed for effective large-scale adoption.

Large-Scale Hydrogen Storage



IPP-Renewed

- Intermountain Power Project (IPP) provides regional power, including to Southern California, through the Southern Transmission System

“Renewed” will ‘update’ IPP for increased transmission of renewables and base load generation via hydrogen

- Gas turbines (840 MW): 30% H₂+NG starting in 2025, 100% H₂ by 2045
- Salt caverns will provide long-term storage (up to 500M kg H₂)

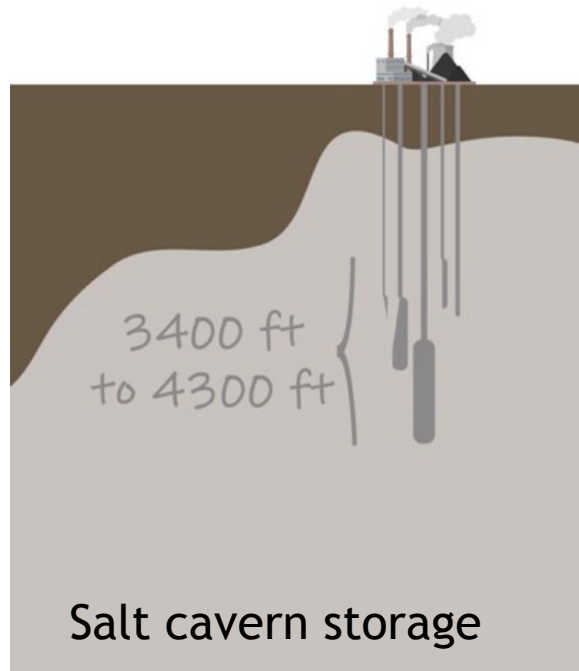
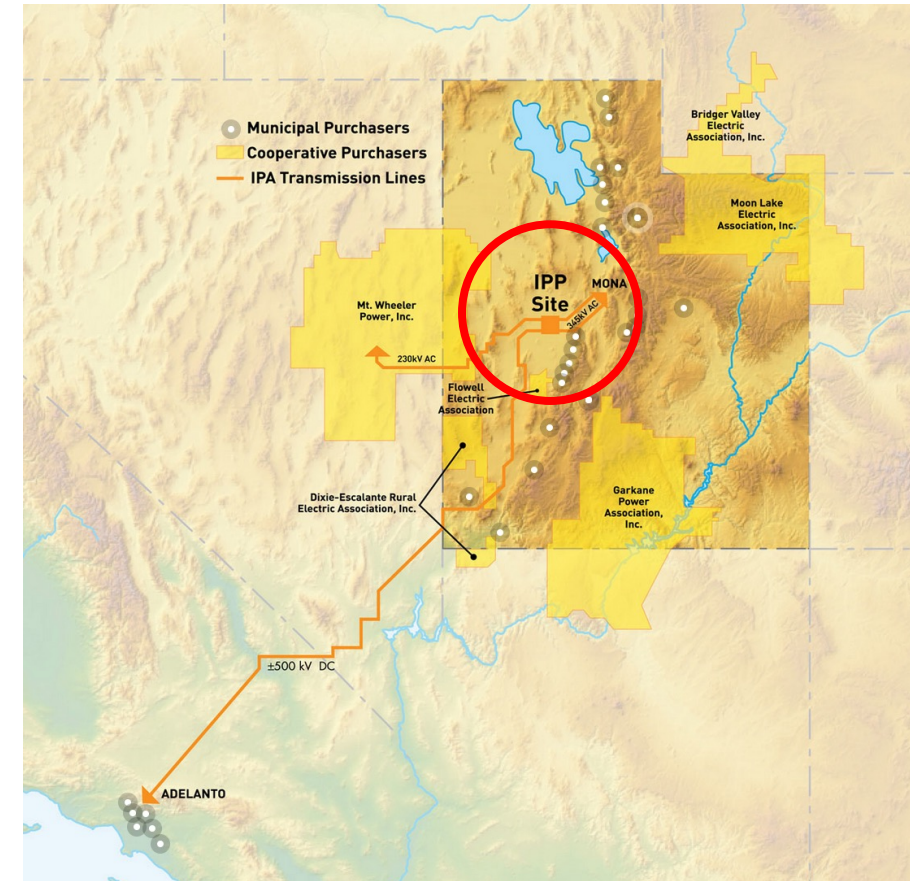
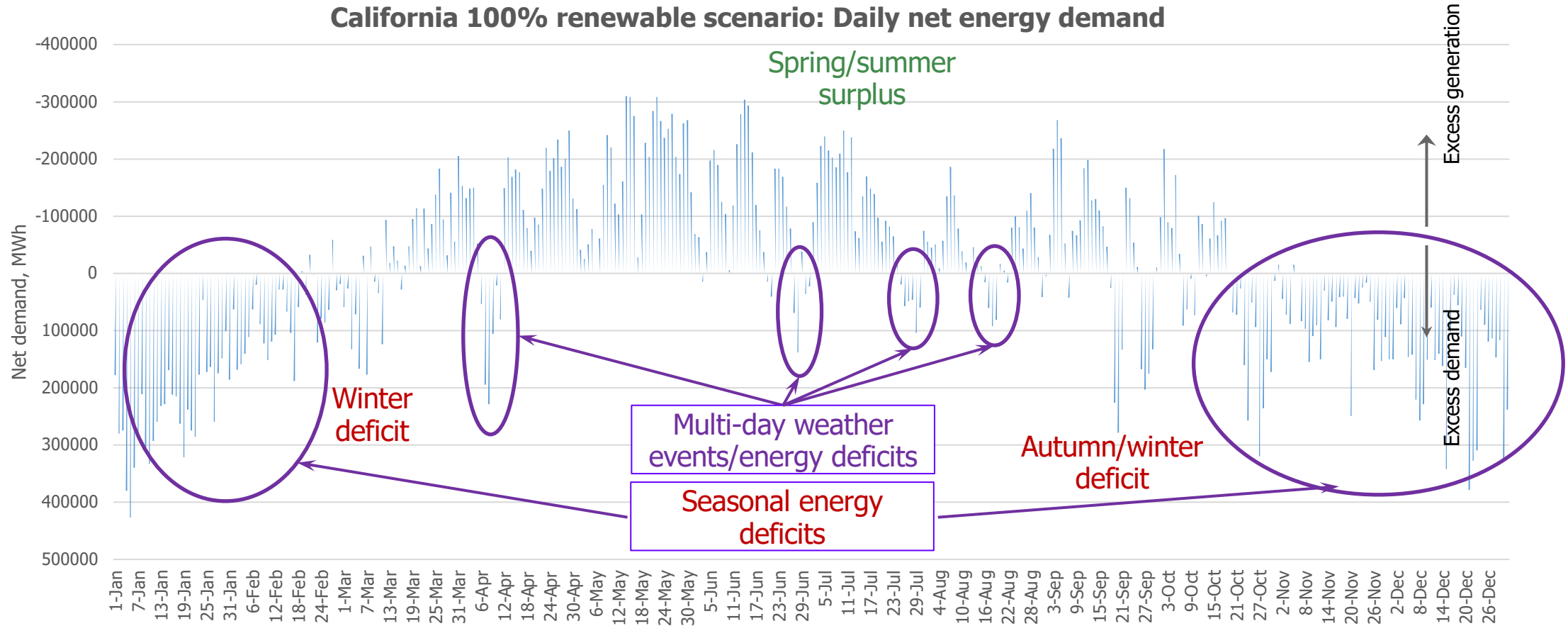


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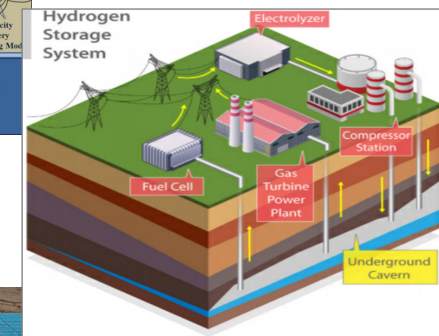
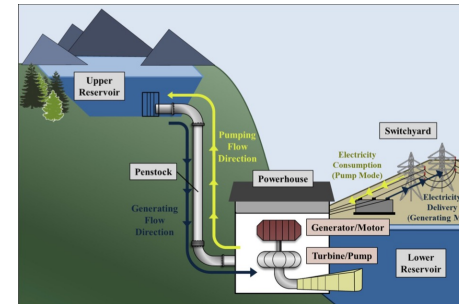


Need for Multi-Day and Seasonal Energy Storage



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Molten Salt Thermal Storage



- Molten salts (e.g., nitrate salts) are the primary storage medium for concentrated solar power plants (Nearly 30 GWh_e of CSP thermal energy storage!)
- Salts are heated to high temperatures (e.g., 385C or 565C)
- Stored energy in salt is then used to heat a medium, such as water to generate steam.
- Nitrate salts are inexpensive (~\$1/kg), but need to be maintained at ~200-300C to keep from freezing.



Solana Parabolic Trough Solar Project
1.5 GWh_e storage in 6 pairs of hot and cold tanks.

Example Use Cases

Solana Parabolic Trough Solar Project (Arizona)
280MWh_e with 6 hour storage (~1.5GWh_e)

Noor I Parabolic Trough Solar Project (Morocco)
160MWh_e with 3 hours of storage (480MWh_e)

Noor III Central Receiver Solar Project (Morocco)
150MWh_e with 7 hours of storage (1GWh_e)

Crescent Dunes Central Receiver Solar Project (Nevada)
125 MWh_e with 10 hours of storage (1.250GWh_e)

National Solar Thermal Test Facility (NSTTF)



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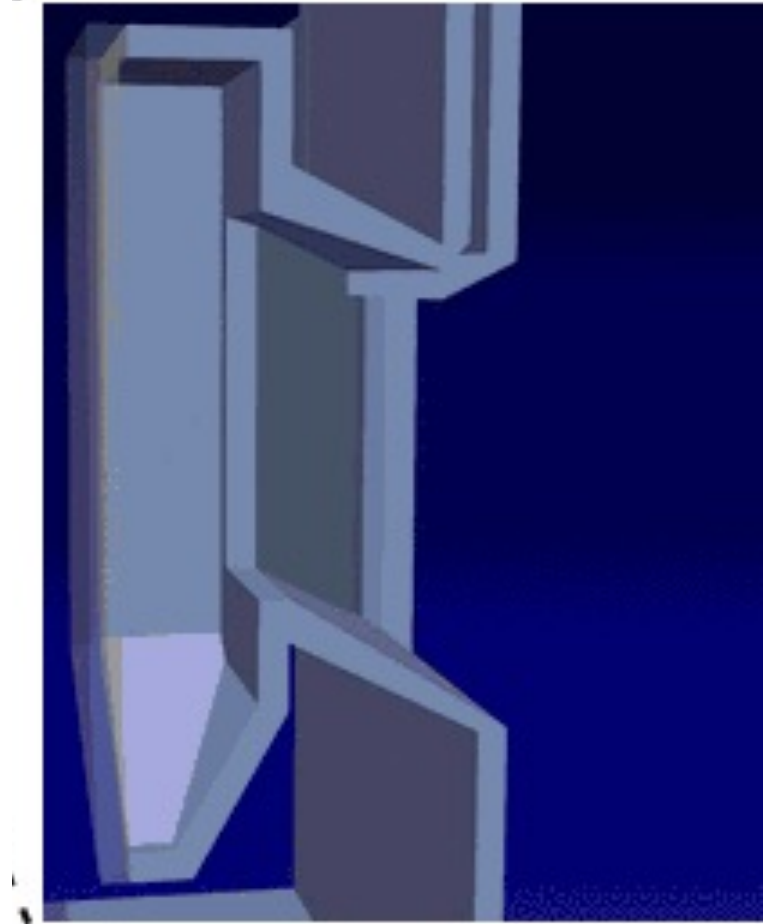
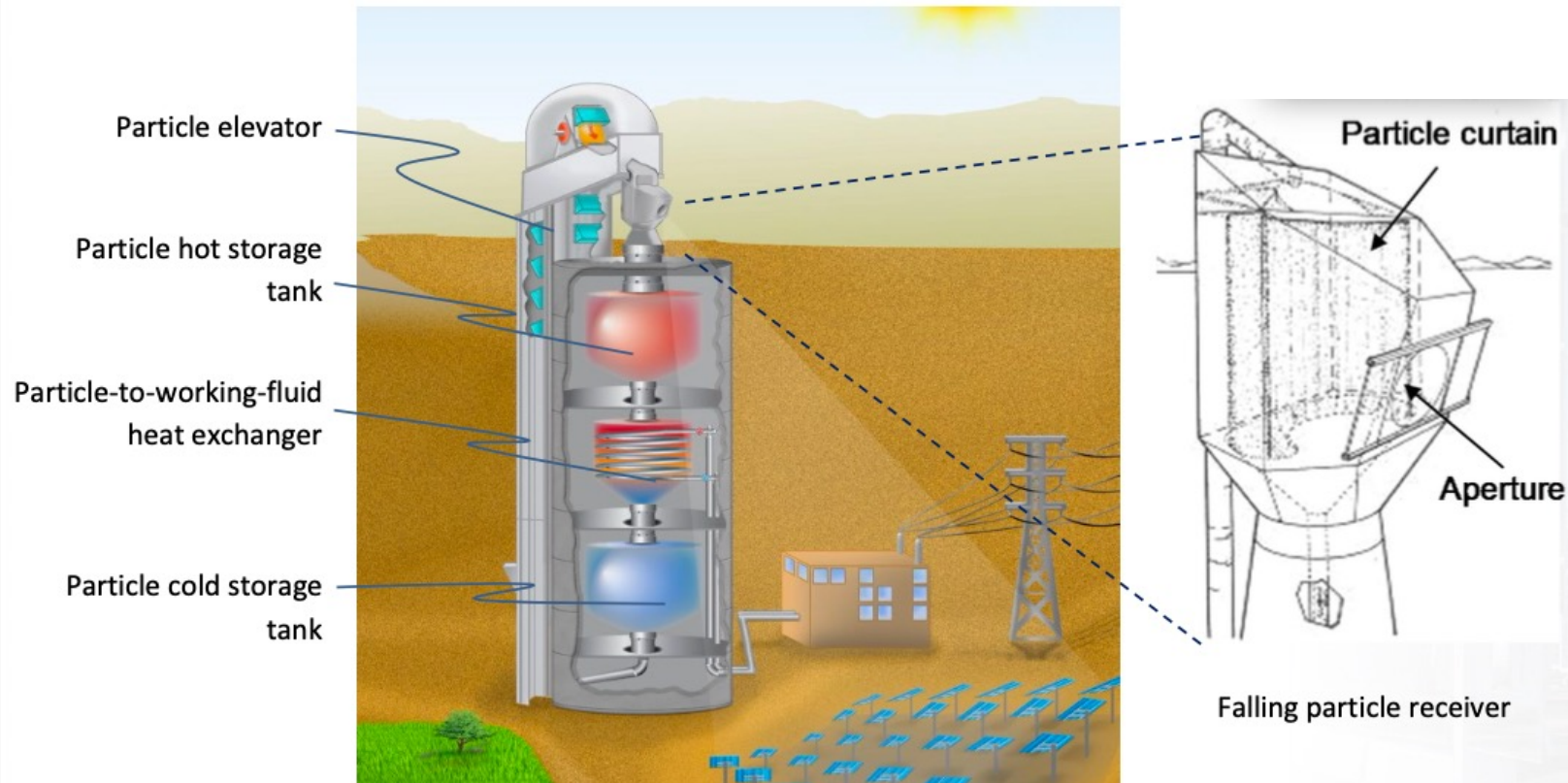
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Storage in Solid Media with a Falling Particle Receiver



High-Temperature Particle-Based CSP

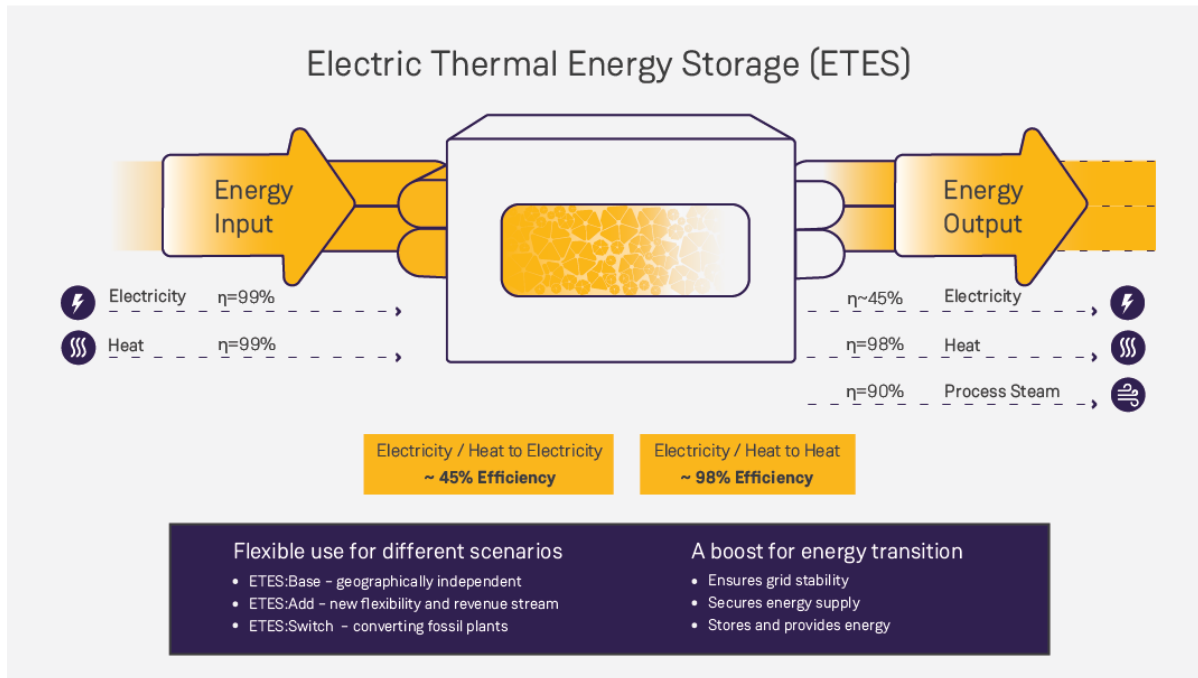
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Fixed Rock-Bed Thermal Storage

Range from MW to GW scale
 Nominal Power: >30MW
 Capacity > 130MWh
 Storage for discharge up to 24 hours

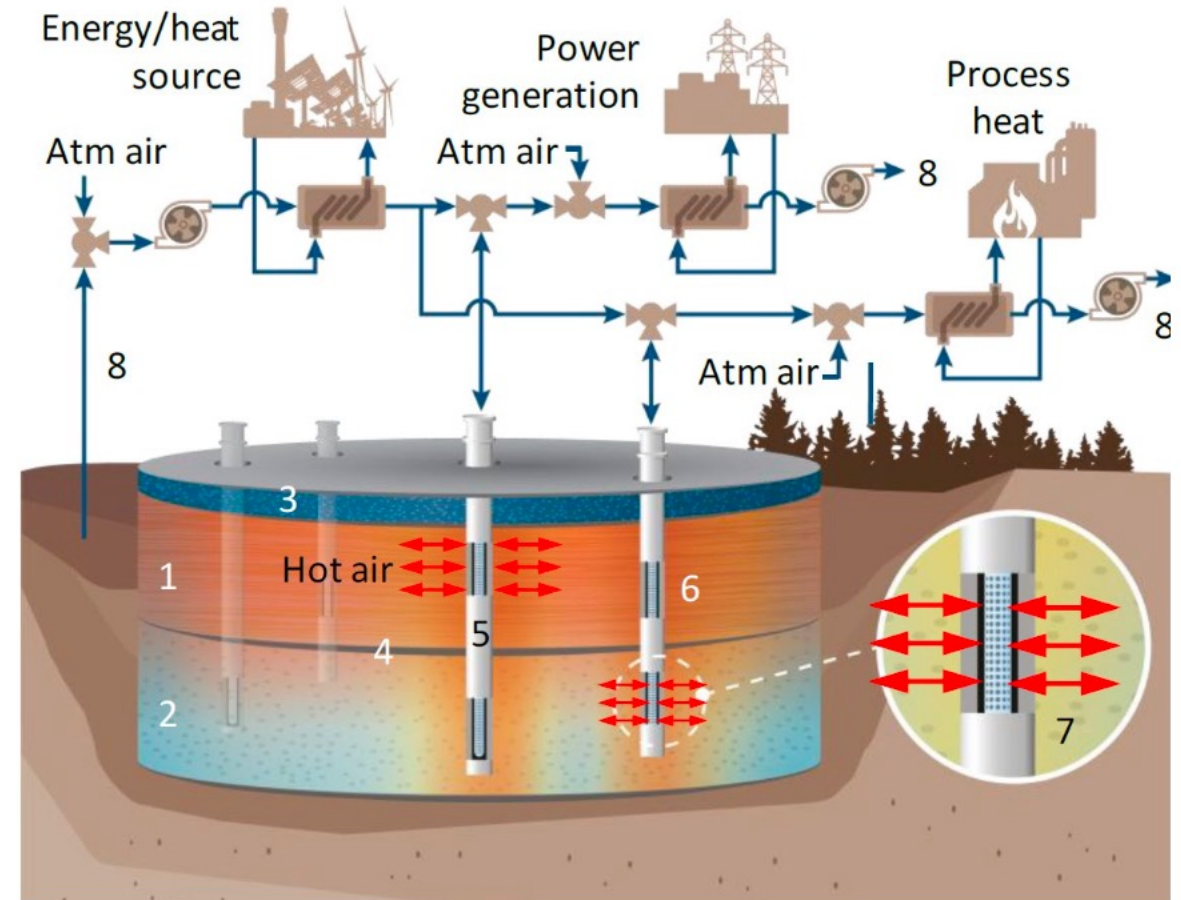


Hamburg, Germany
 1000 tons of rock at 750°C
 Using steam turbine, generator will produce
 24 hour storage at 1.5MW

Terrestrial Heat Repository for Months of Storage (THERMS)



- Radial Packed Bed capable of storing heat for weeks to months
- Separated regions can be used for various storage durations
- Usage:
 - Electricity Generation (from storage)
 - Process Heat
 - District Heating

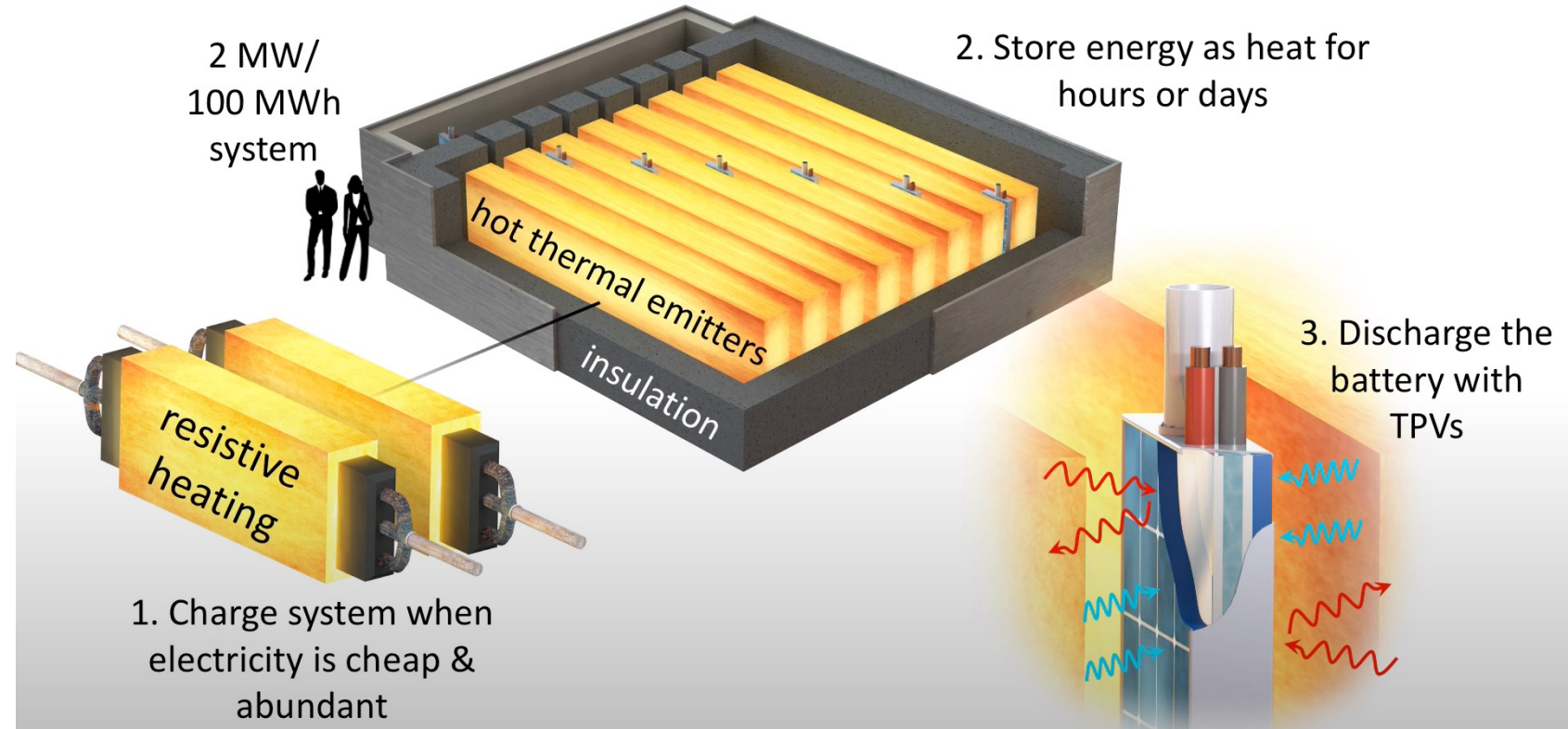


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Solid carbon is free of supply chain constraints, environmental justice issues, and toxicity concerns.

Antora Energy is developing TPV for thermal energy storage applications for emitter temperatures $> 1000\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$



Projected 30 year lifetime
No thermal runaway
MW building block modules



TES.POD®



- Electrically-generated heat stored in a recycled aluminium phase change alloy at the melting point of 600°C
- Heat transferred to stirling engine to provide power
- Residual heat available (55-65C)
- Each unit has 13kW power for 13 hours
- 0.1MW to 100MW



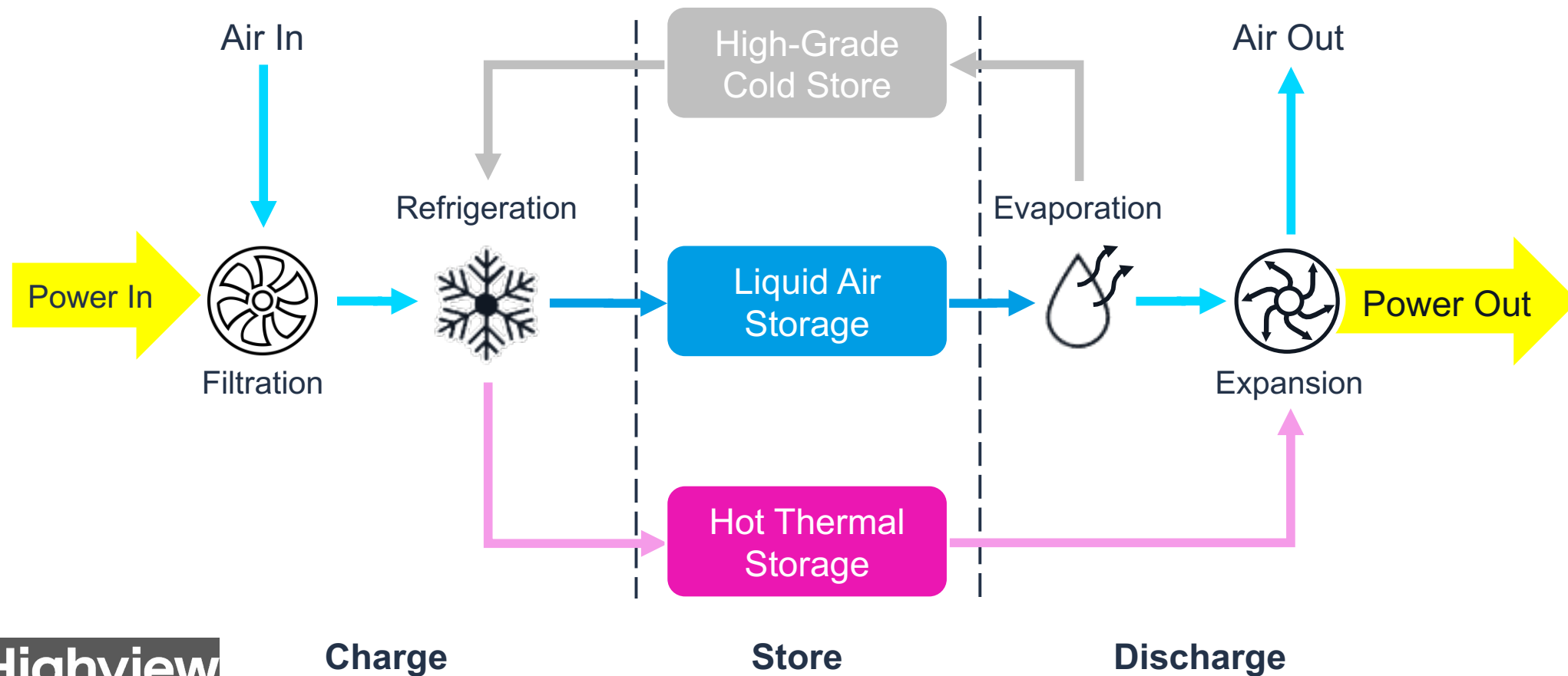
Demonstration projects, typically supporting renewable integration, in Sweden, Morocco, and UAE

Liquid Air Energy Storage

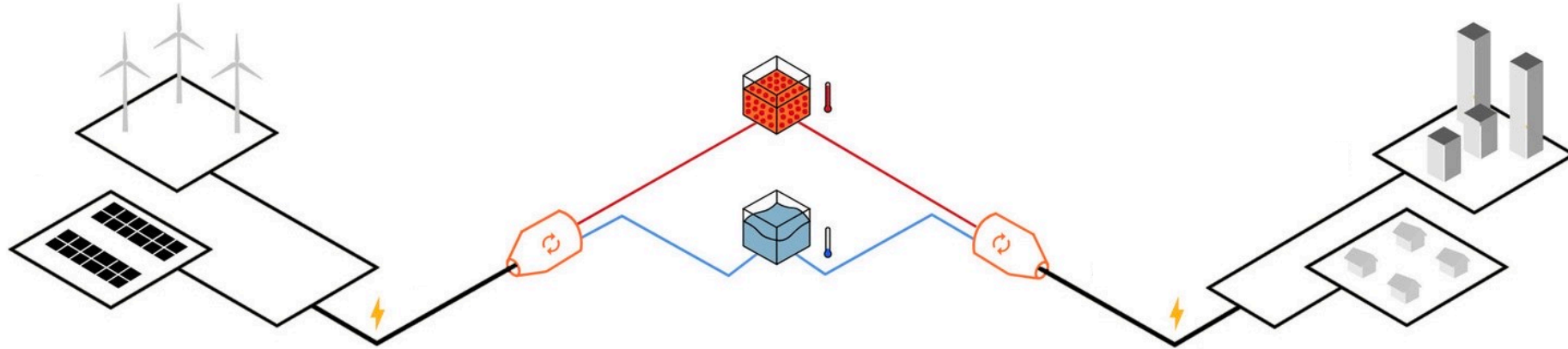


Charge: Store energy through condensation of refrigerated air.

Discharge: Gaseous air generated during reheating turns a turbine to generate power.



Malta: Pumped Thermal Storage



Malta's grid-scale pumped heat energy storage system (PHES) is a low-cost, long-duration solution

Utilizes a Recuperated Air-loop Brayton-cycle Heat Pump/Heat Engine



Long-Duration
8 - 24+ Hours



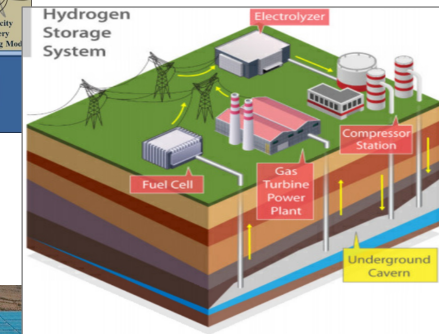
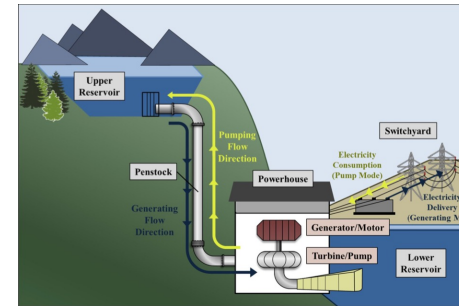
Grid-Scale
10 - 100 MW+



Low-Cost
<\$100/kWh

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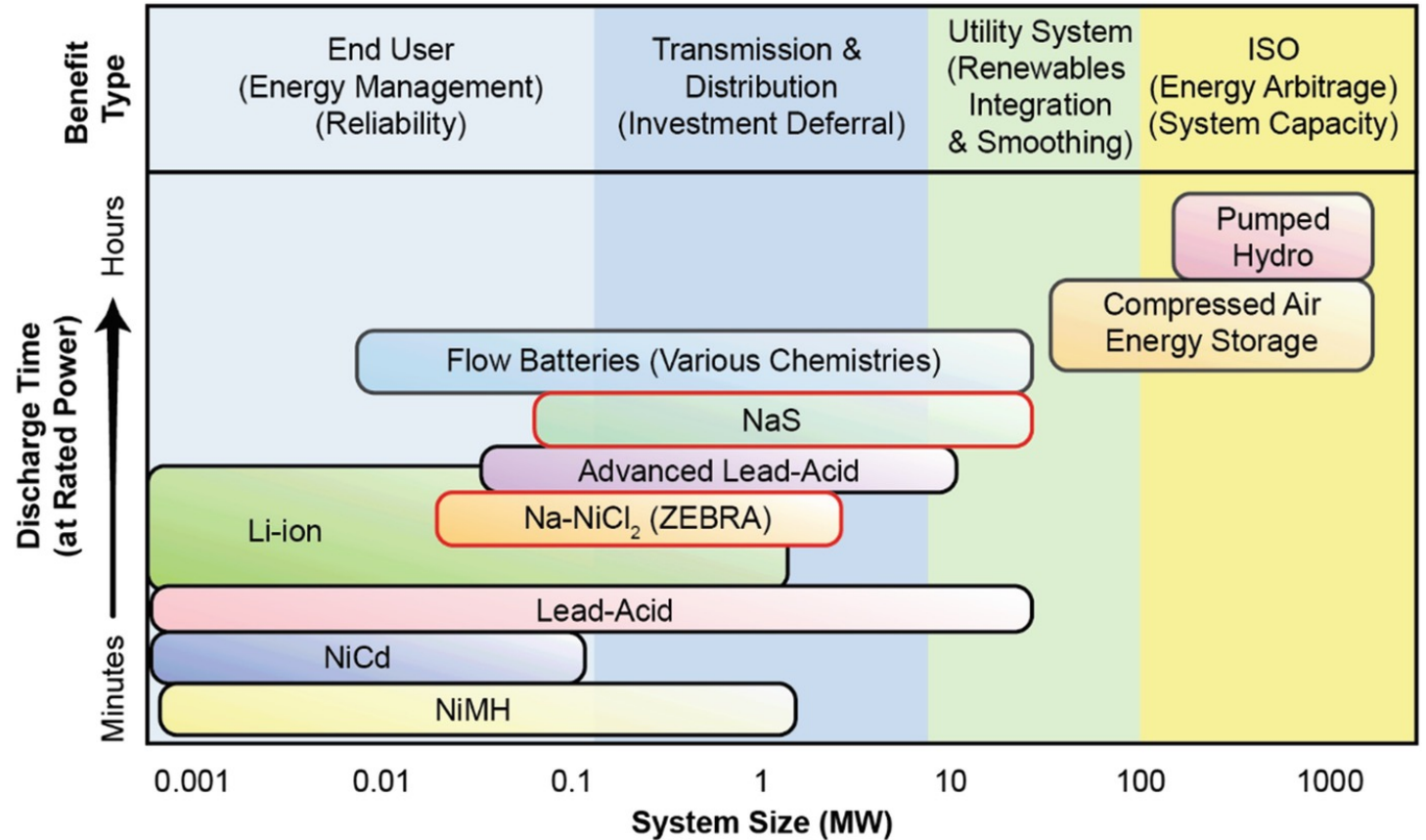
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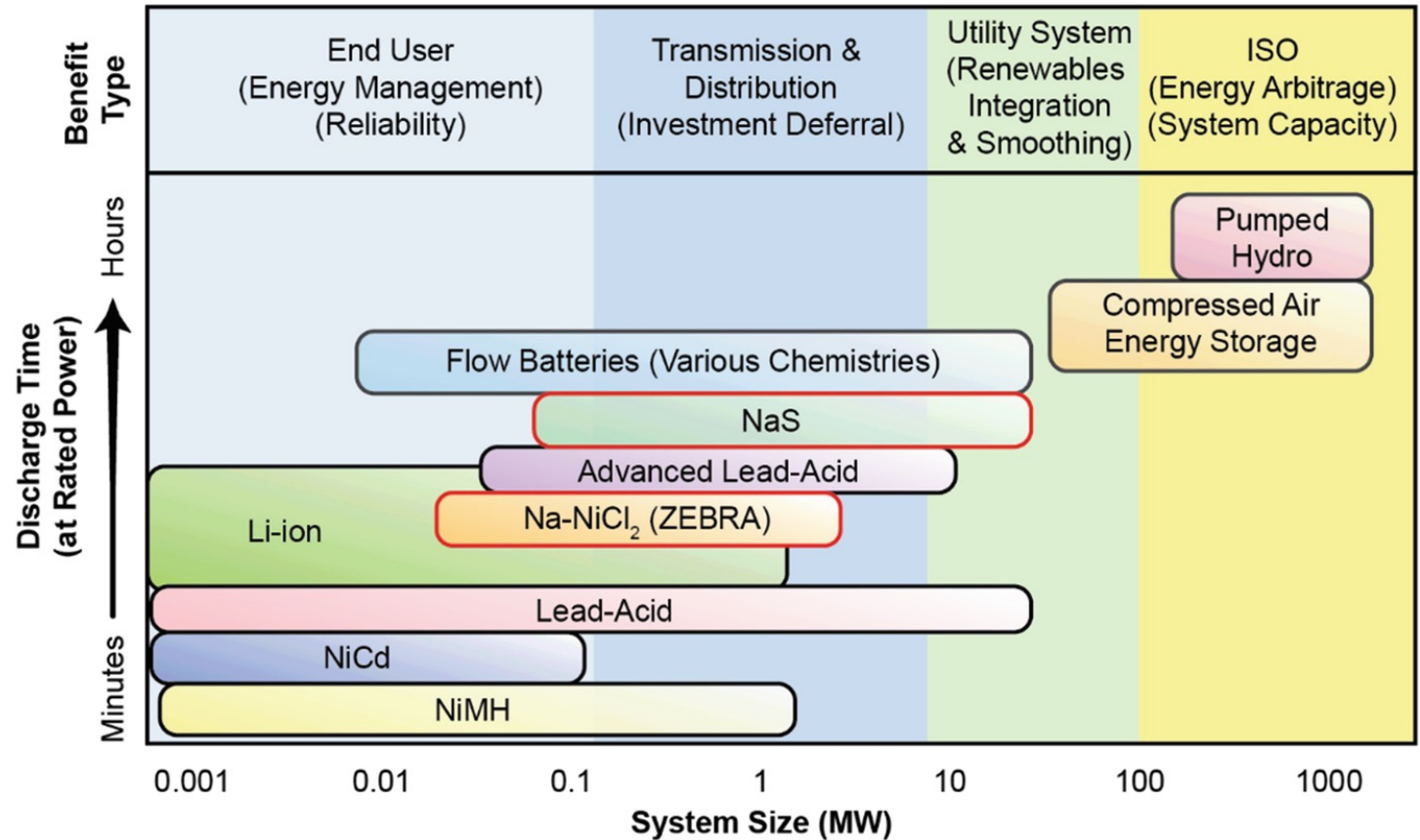
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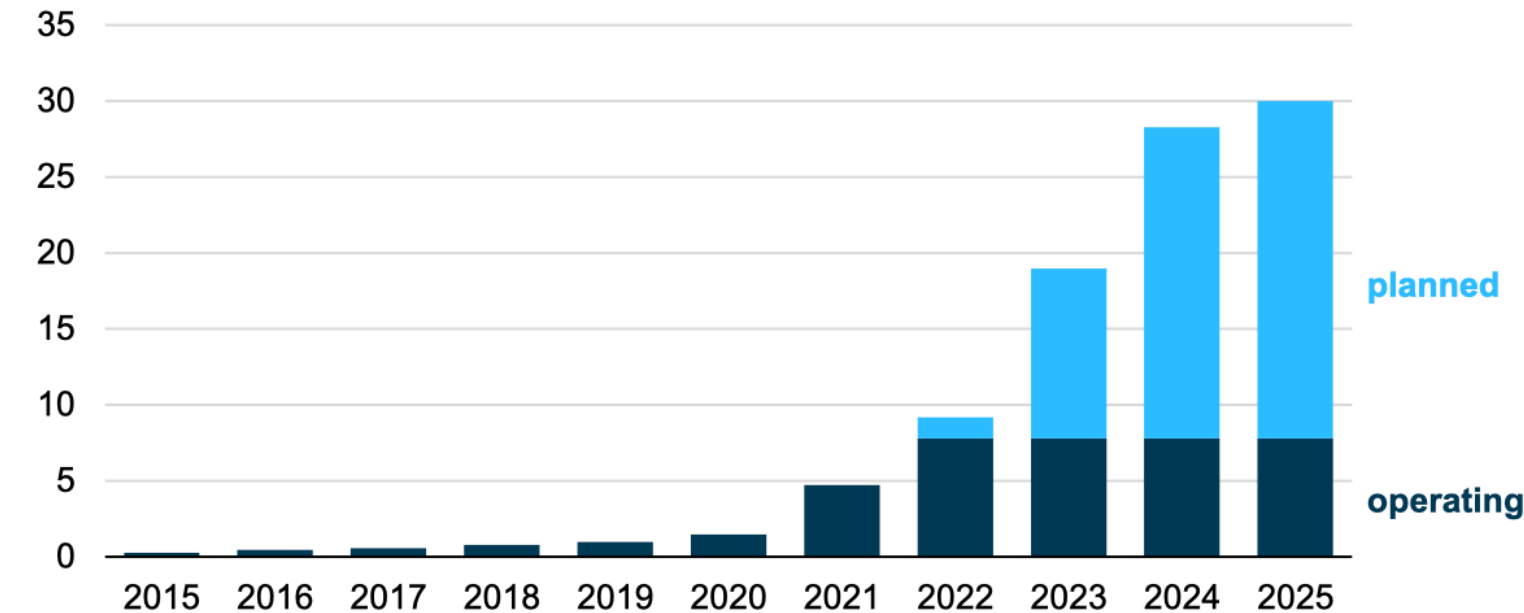
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U.S. battery storage capacity will increase significantly by 2025

U.S. battery storage capacity (2015–2025)
gigawatts



Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration, *Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory*, October 2022

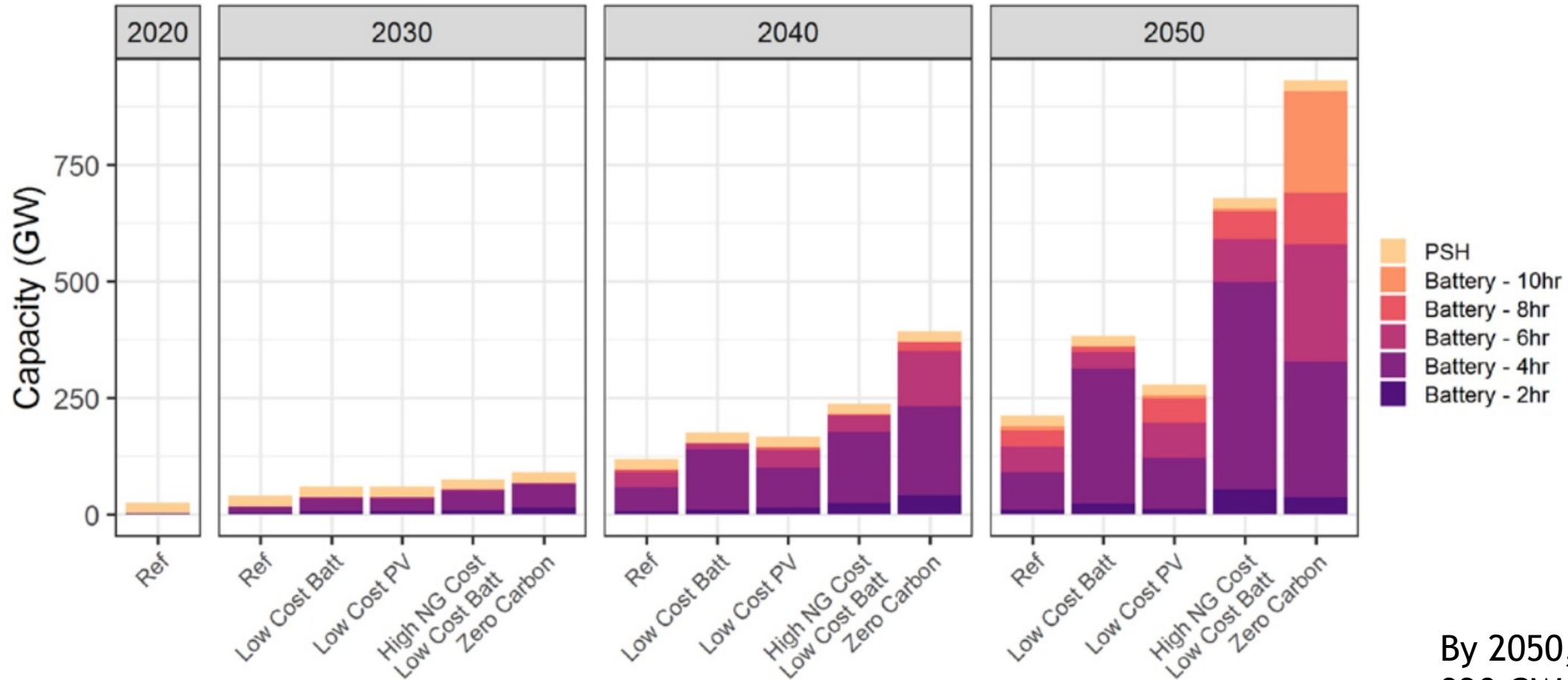
At the end of 2022, U.S. had 9GW/25GWh of installed battery storage.

By Q2 of 2023, U.S. had reached 11 GW/31GWh installed.

Almost All U.S. Battery Storage is in Li-ion (more than 90%).

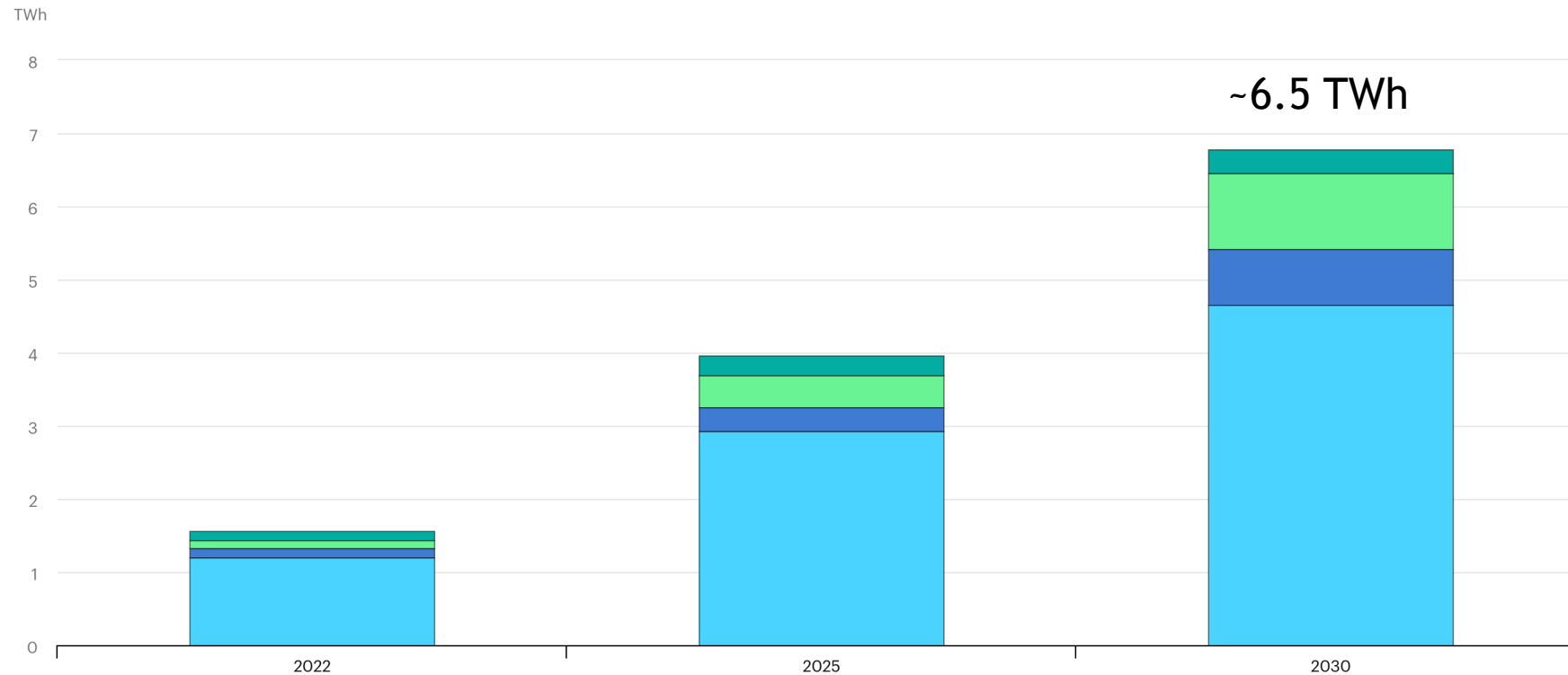
U.S. Still maintains about 22GW/550GWh of Pumped Storage Hydro.

Where Do We Need To Go?



By 2050, U.S. will need 930 GW/6TWh of storage. (85X Increase over today) to hit 94% renewables targets.

Can we Make Enough Batteries?



EV Battery demand by 2030 is expected to be 4.5TWh!

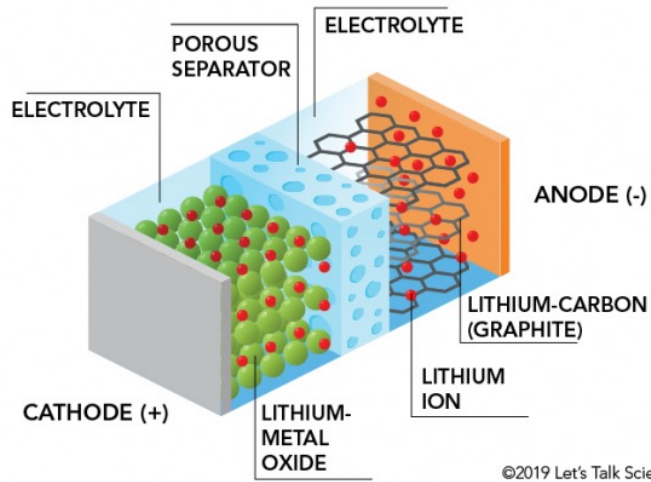
(McKinsey & Co.)

● China ● Europe ● United States ● Rest of world

GWh size Li-Ion BESS Plants No Longer at the Conceptual stage!



PARTS OF A LITHIUM-ION BATTERY



Saft 6 MW / 4.2 MWh ESS
Kauai - Grid Stability



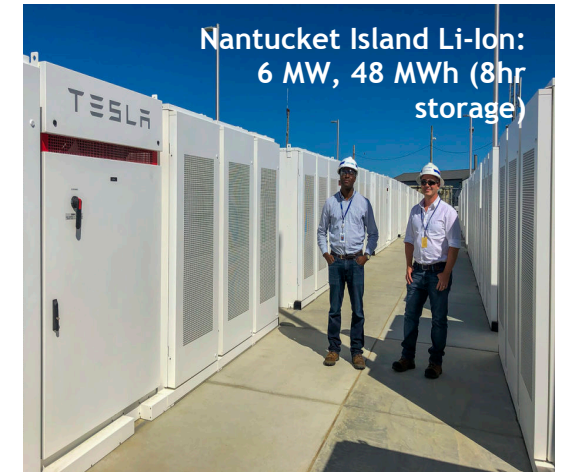
AES 30 MW / 120 MWh ESS, Escondido, CA
Peaker replacement



Tesla 100 MW / 129 MWh ESS
Australia - Grid stability



Vistra Energy, Moss Landing, Monterey, CA - 300 MW /
1200 MWh - Peaker Replacement, Grid Reliability



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But Challenges Remain!



Aerial picture of the 2021 fire incident at Victorian Big Battery, which was thought to be the first incident of its type involving Tesla Megapacks. Image: Country Fire Authority.

One of 40 Tesla Megapacks caught fire at the 50MW/100MWh grid-scale battery storage project in Queensland, Australia. (Sept, 2023)

Pictured: 2021 fire at Victorian Big Battery (early incident with Tesla Megapacks)

<https://www.energy-storage.news/tesla-megapack-on-fire-in-minor-incident-at-battery-storage-site-in-australia/>

Li-Ion Batteries: A Narrow Miss?



McMicken (2 MW, Arizona) fire destroyed facility, hospitalized 8 firefighters in April 2019.

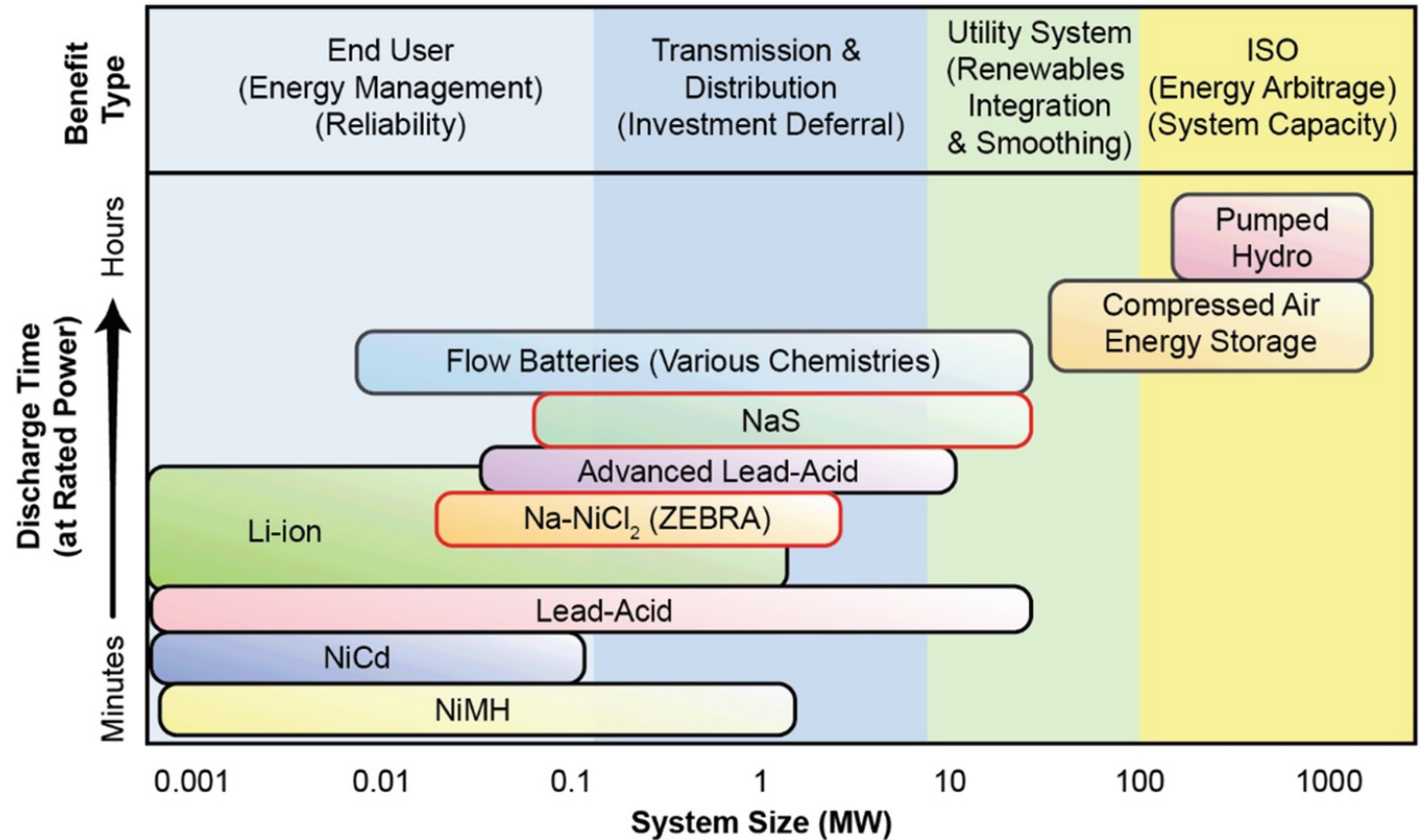
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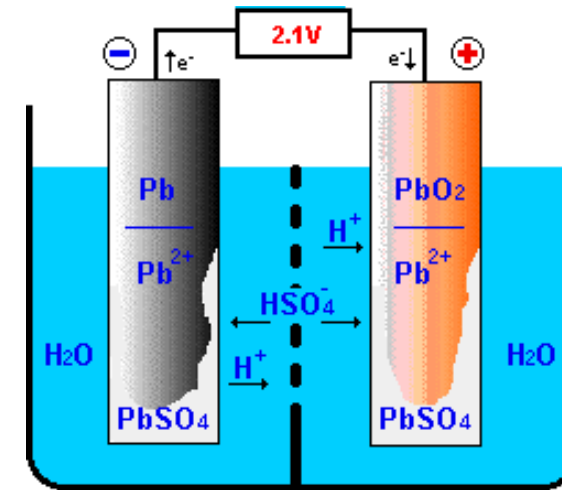
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Lead Acid Batteries



- Invented in 1859 by Gaston Planté
- Energy Density ~30-50 Wh/kg
- Typically hundreds of cycles
- The 2020 global market for PbA batteries was ~500 GWh (70% of global energy storage) and \$40 billion*
- Automotive/mobile applications
- Off-grid use (e.g., traffic signal and lighting, railroad communications, uninterruptable power supply (UPS), and telecommunications)
- Grid-integrated applications (e.g., renewable integration, load smoothing, time-shifting, etc.)



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Battery Operation

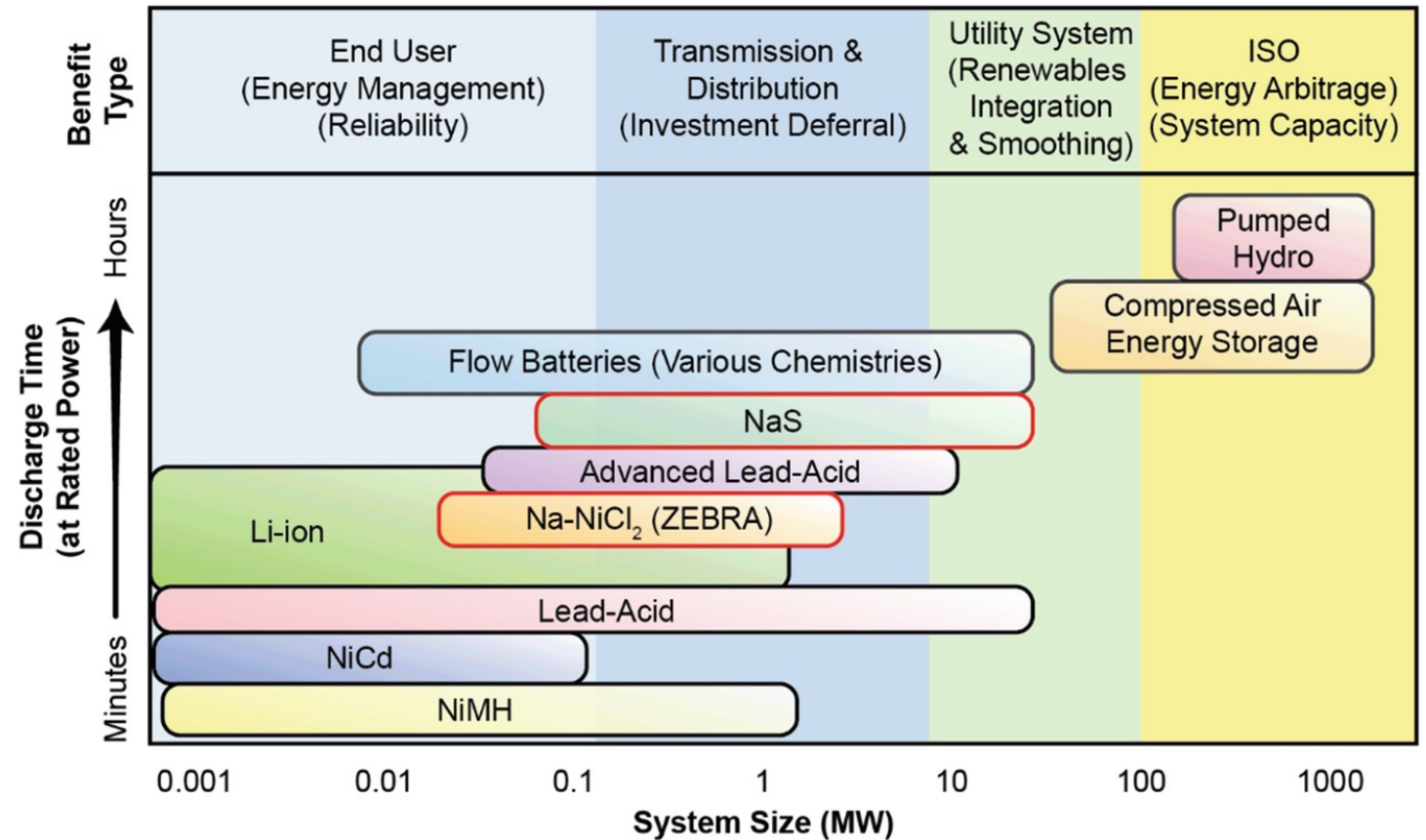
- Anode: Pb
- Cathode: PbO₂
- Electrolyte: H₂SO₄
- During discharge, oxidation and reduction reactions at each electrode produce PbSO₄.

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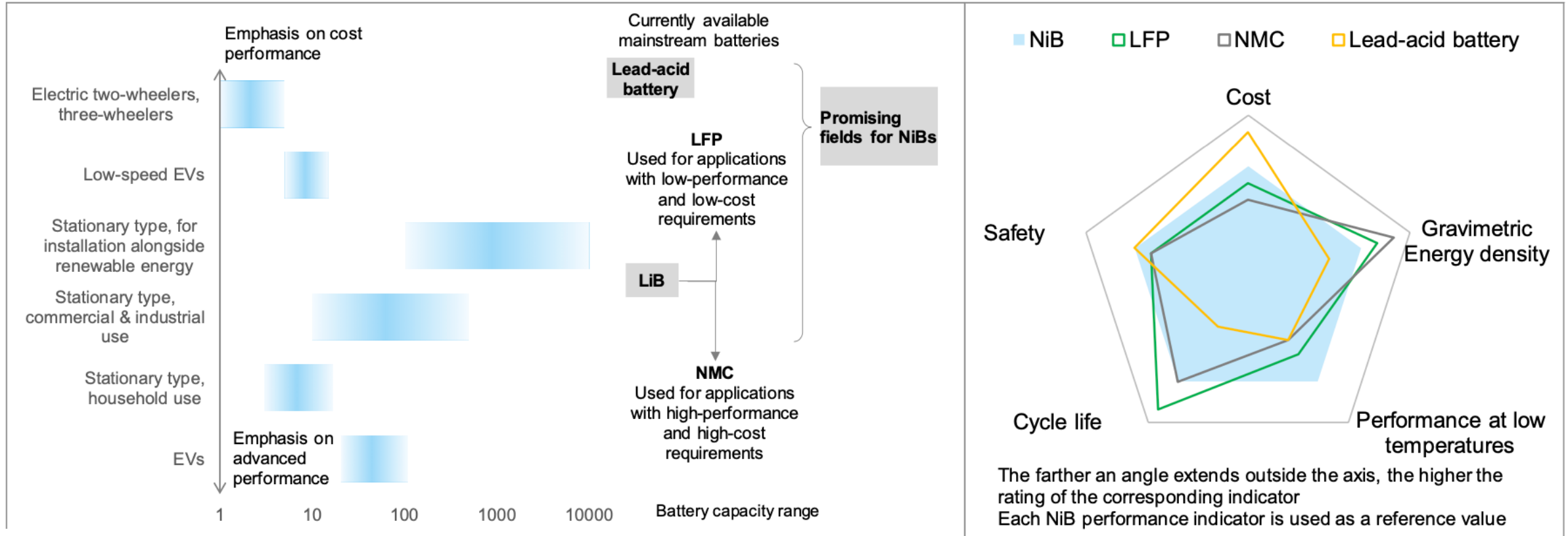
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Na-Ion Battery (NaIB, NIB, NiB) Opportunity Space



Mitsui & Co., June 2022

Application of NIBs



Wind power/
Solar power station
Household energy storage

**Large-Scale
Energy Storage**



Electric cars
Electric ship
Delivery vehicles
Agricultural vehicles

**Low-Speed
Vehicles**














- Projected lower cost, simplified cell architectures, and improved safety are benefits of NaIBs.
- While NaIBs are unlikely to replace LiBs for high power (e.g., EV) applications, low-speed vehicles and stationary storage is likely to be a growing market.
- Woods Mackenzie anticipates growth of 40GWh of NaIBs alone by 2030, but up to an additional 100GWh of manufacturing capacity is projected if the market is successful by 2025

Woods Mackenzie. "Sodium-ion update: A make-or-break year for the battery market disruptor." Jan., 2023

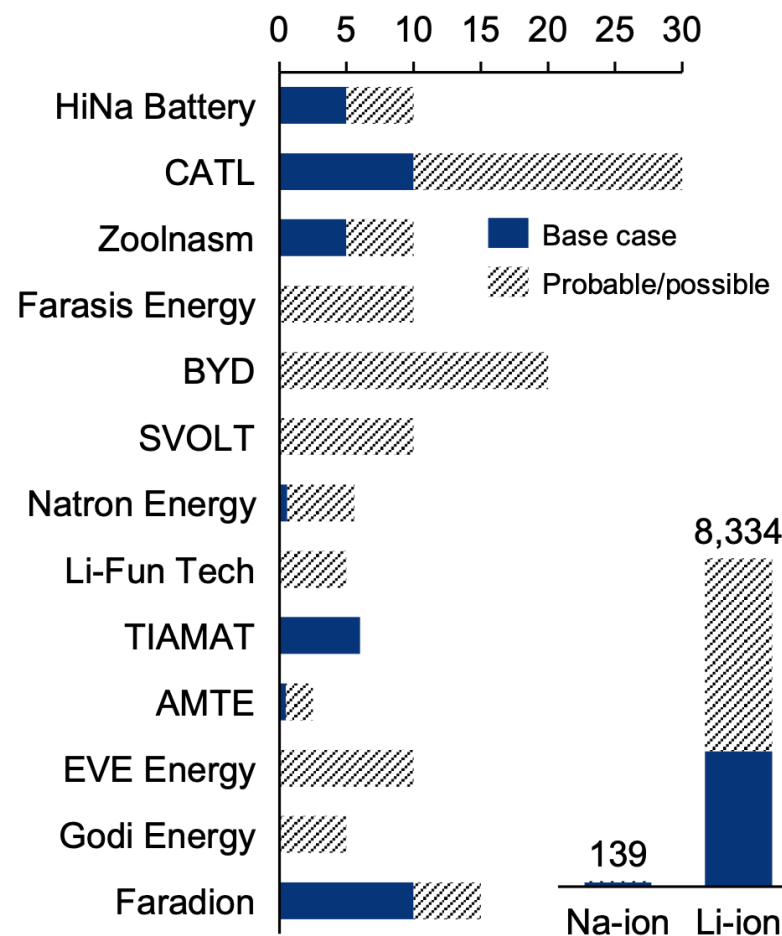
Emerging/Evolving Sodium Ion Batteries



Na-ion cell producers

Year	GWh	Producer	Production details
2022	1-5	 中科海钠 HINA BATTERY	First Na-ion production at GWh scale last year
2023	>10		Planned GWh-scale production this year
2023	5		Building a factory in Jiangsu, China
2023	-		Partnered with the JMEV to develop Na-ion EVs
2023	-		May launch a Na-ion-based EV this year
2023	-		Expects to develop Na-ion cells this year
2023	0.6	 Natron Energy	Clarios will manufacture cells this year
2023	-	 LIFUT 立方新能源 LIPART TECHNOLOGY	Planned production in 2023
2020s	6		Neogy will mass produce Na-ion cells
2020s	0.5		Building a factory in Scotland, UK
2020s	-		Developing cells further before production
2020s	-		Planning a 5 GWh Li-ion factory before Na-ion
2020s	>10	 faradion	Planning double-digit production under Reliance

Pipeline capacity



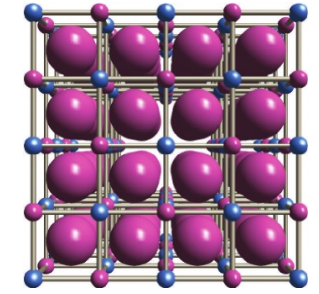
Source: Wood Mackenzie

Significant NaIB manufacturing capacity is projected to 40-100 GWh by 2030.



Prussian Blue Analogs (PBAs)

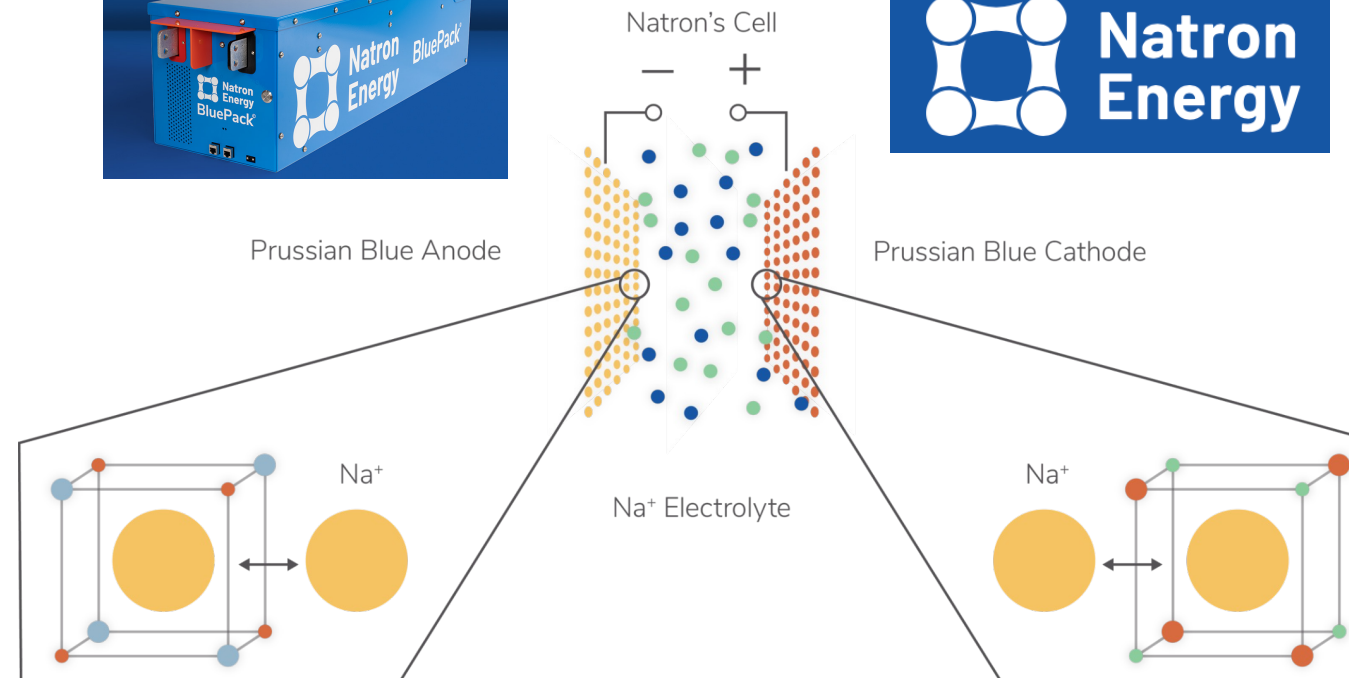
- Utilize ferric ferrocyanide salts as electroactive materials



Y. Moritomo, *Adv. Cond. Matt. Phys.* (2013) 539620.

- Natron Energy** is developing PBA-NaIBs (with Clarios in Michigan)

- Aiming for 600MW annually starting in 2023.
- Focus on High Power
 - 25kW, 48V module, scalable to 812V with full charging in 15 minutes.
 - 4kW at 48V for 2 mins with a 6kW peak power rating and 8-minute recharge time.
- As many as 100,000 cycles projected!
- 20C to +45C Operation

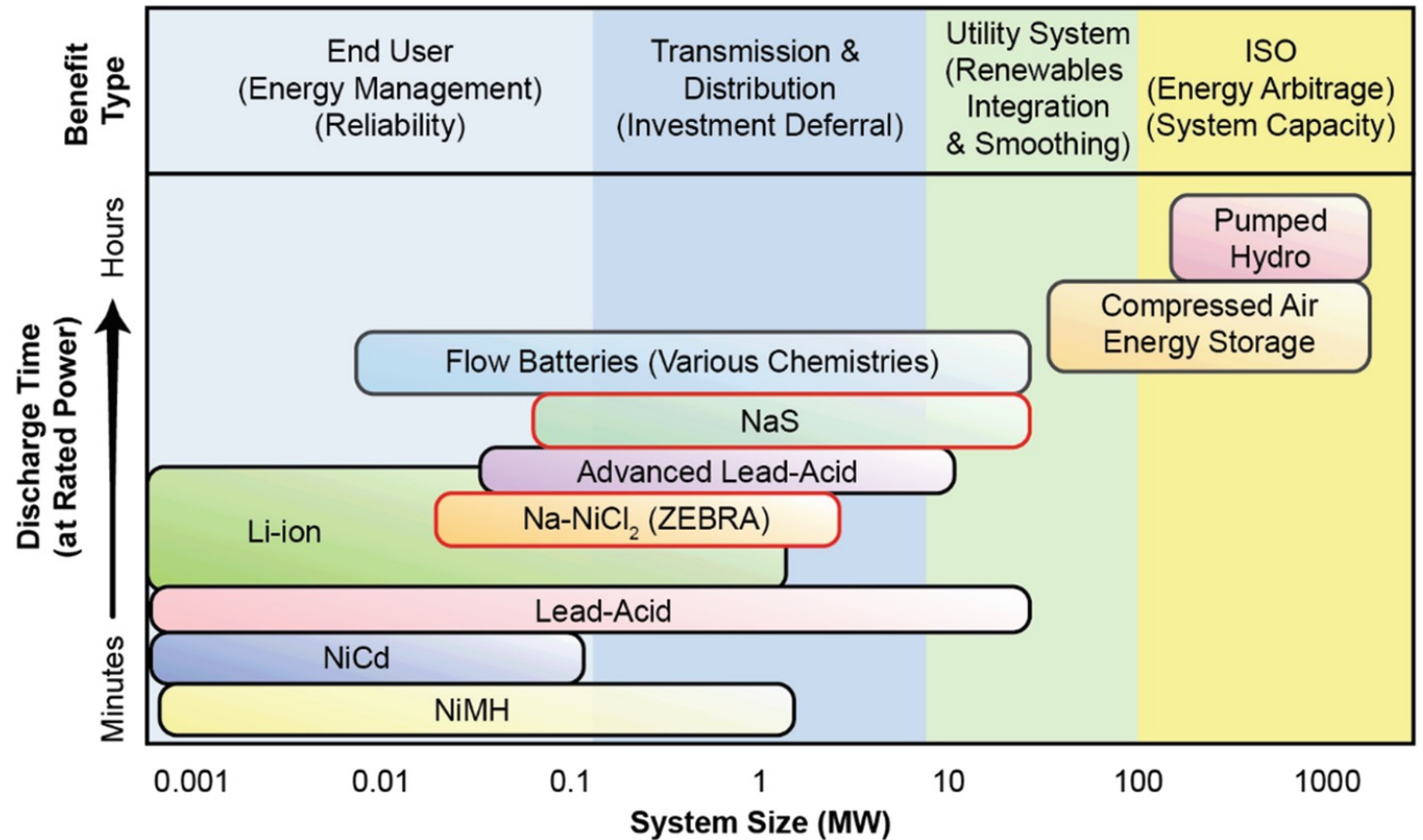


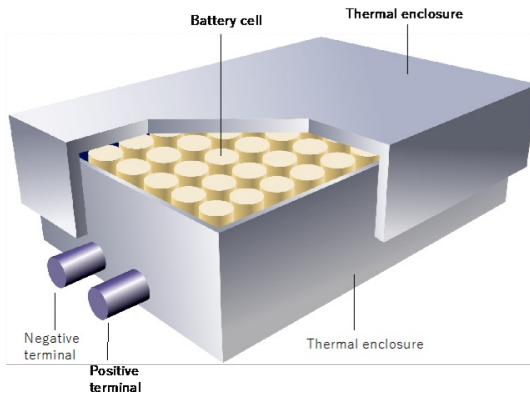
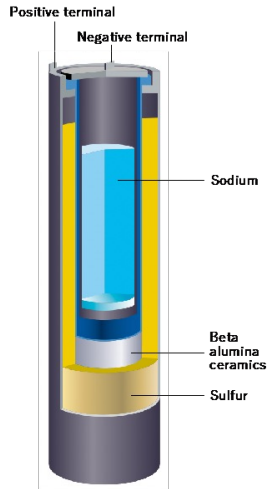
- Altris (Sweden)** (Focus on sustainable materials)
 - Prussian White (Fully reduced and sodiated PB)
 - (Pilot Line underway)

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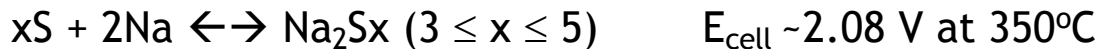
	Practical Energy Density (Wh/L)	Expected Cycle Life (cycles at 80% DOD)	Expected Lifetime (years)	Operating Temperature (°C)	Suitable Ambient Temperature (°C)	Discharge Duration (at rated power)	Round Trip Efficiency
NaS	300-400	7,300	15	300-350	-20 to +40	6-7 hours	80%
Na-NiCl ₂	150-190	>4500	20	270-300	-20 to +60	2-4 hours	80-85%

NaS and Na-NiCl₂ batteries are used today for Renewables Integration, Grid Services, Consumer Applications, and Microgrids

Na-S

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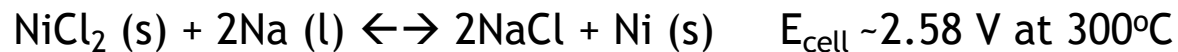
 **BASF**
We create chemistry



- ✓ 700 MW/4.9 GWh of deployed storage in over 200 sites globally
- ✓ Recent 108 MW, 648MWh system in Abu Dhabi

Na-NiCl₂

 **FZSoNick**
+



- ✓ Extensive global deployments for grid-based and BTM use.
- ✓ Recyclable
- ✓ UL1973, UL9540A, other safety certifications



- Na-S takes advantage of low cost materials, but introduces some safety concerns.
- Na-NiCl₂ is a safer, greener chemistry, but high, variable cost of Ni is a challenge.

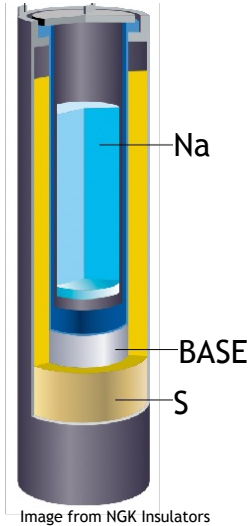


Image from NGK Insulators

“Mature” High-Temperature NaS and Na-NiCl₂ deployments support:

- Renewables Integration
- Grid Services
- Microgrids
- Behind-the-Meter Applications
- Select Mobility



Emerging systems show promise

- Low-temperature molten salt
- Molten Na flow batteries
- Solid State Na batteries

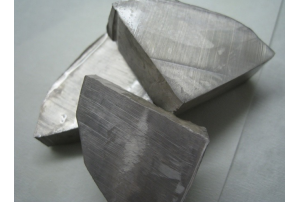


SOLSTICE

Sodium-Zinc molten salt batteries for low-cost stationary storage

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(Na-Zn) high temperature batteries (molten and ZEBRA)



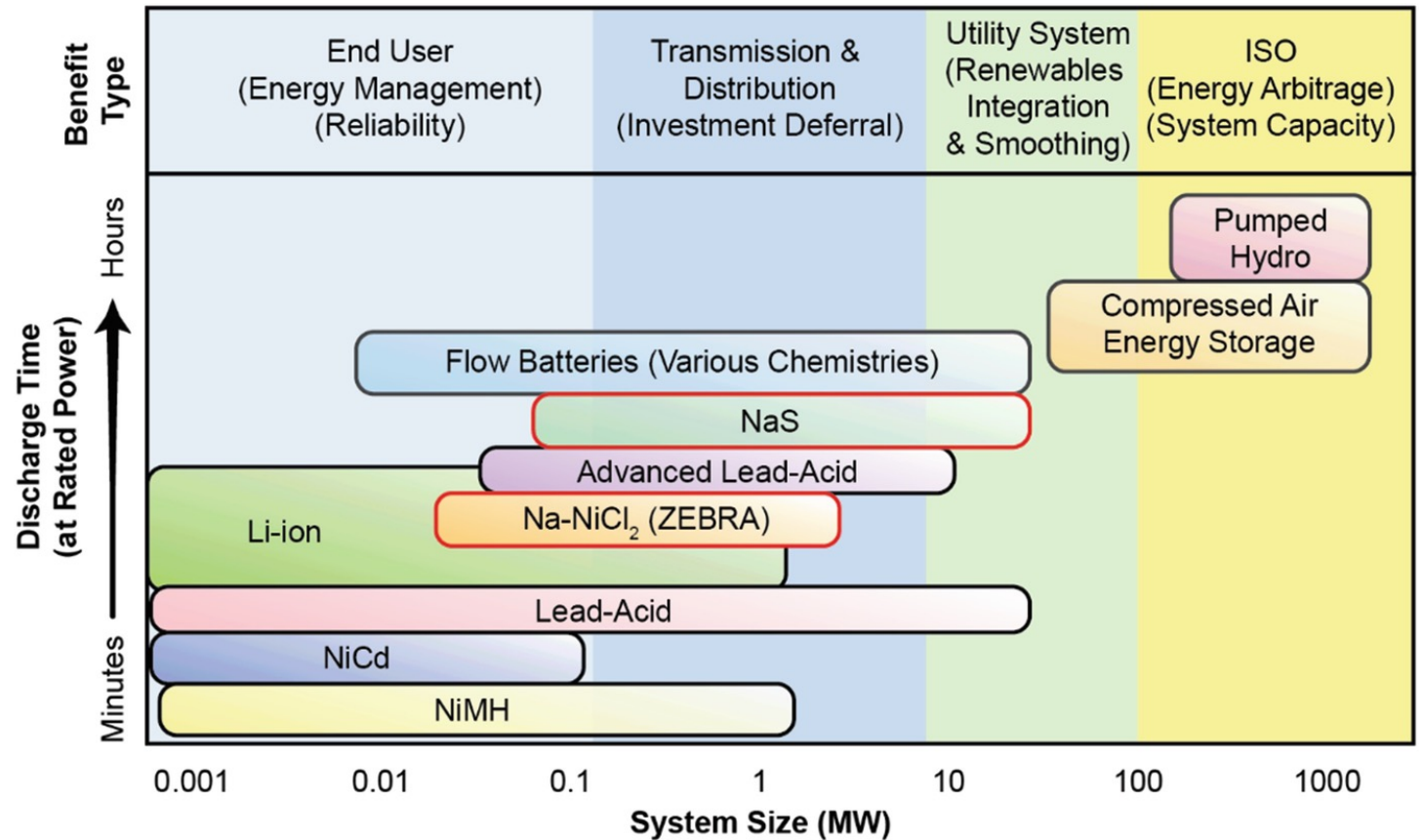
The consortium of the SOLSTICE project consists of 12 partners from 7 countries.



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Rechargeable Zn-based Batteries



- Low-cost, high energy density, safety, and global availability have made Zn-based batteries attractive for more than 220 years!
- *Diverse* Zn-batteries offer a range of properties to meet growing demand across varied applications:
 - ✓ Renewables integration (including microgrids)
 - ✓ Backup power (assurance for data centers, telecom, etc.)
 - ✓ Grid stability and resilience
- ✓ Behind-the-meter applications for residential and commercial applications (Lower energy cost, power quality, etc.)

Zn-MnO₂



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Zn-Ni

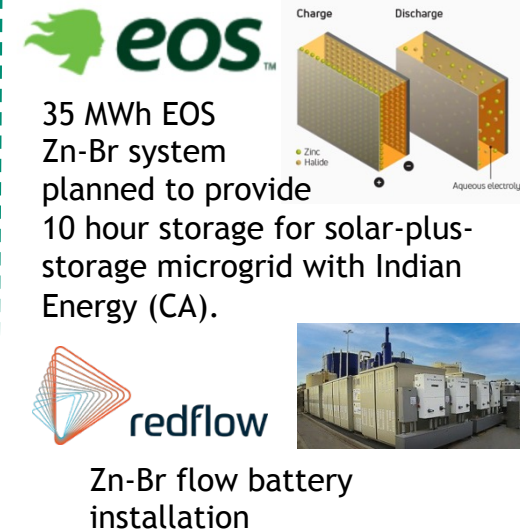


ENZINC+

Zn-Air



Zn-Br



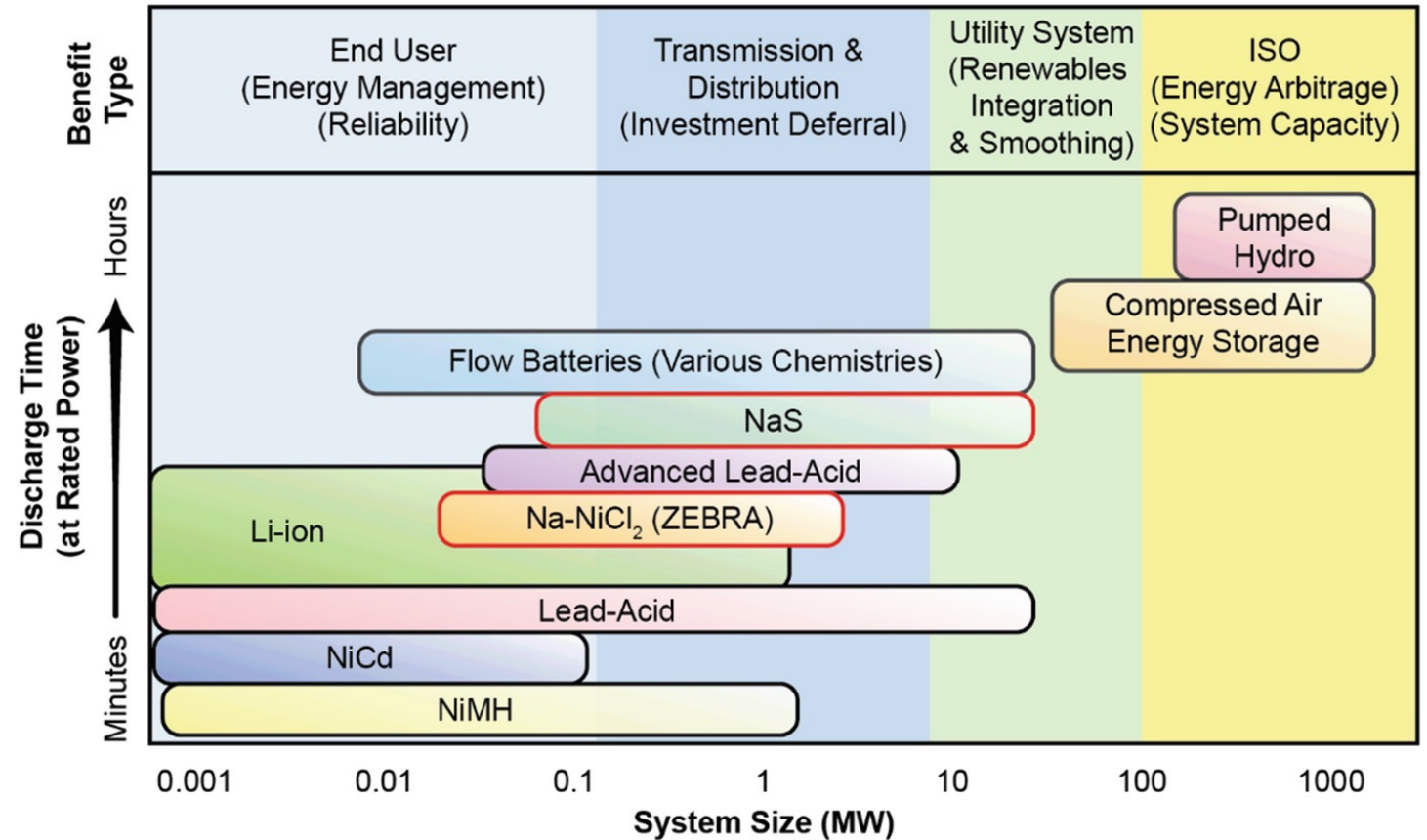
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- Air-breathing cathodes also must address side reactions with variable atmospheric conditions.



Zinc8

- Demonstration project at 32-building Fresh Meadows Community Apartments in Queens, NY was announced in early 2022 as Zinc8's first private-sector installation: 100kW/1.5MWh storage system. (BTM - Powered by solar, combined heat and power system will minimize peak demand.)
- Zinc8 is planning U.S. manufacturing site (late 2024, 2025): Projected to create 500 Jobs Through a 5-year \$68 Million Investment Plan in the Mid-Hudson Region (Ulster County) and Build Environmentally and Economically Friendly Zinc-air Long Duration Energy Storage Systems.



e-Zinc

- CEC installation (2022, Camarillo, CA) targeted 40kW with 24 to 48 hours of duration. Capture solar generation to discharge during peak hours and to power irrigation at night and provide backup power.
- Demonstration project for Toyota Tsushu Canada Inc. (TTCI) is planned at Eurus Energy America Corporation's (EEAC) Bull Creek wind facility in Borden County, Texas (Bull Creek). Pilot program will store excess wind generation capacity and is expected to store power for 24 hours.



(Portable electronics)

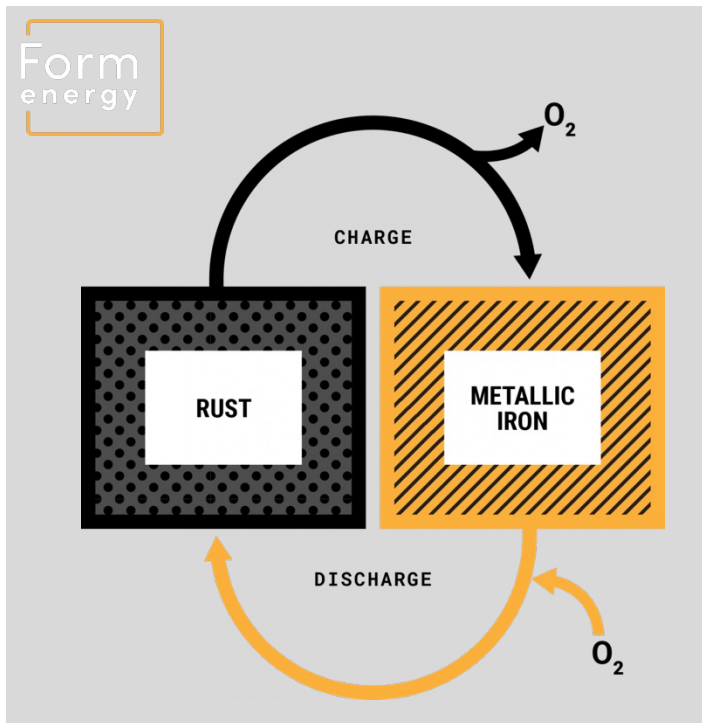
Zn-Air Batteries targeting scalable storage up to 24 hours.

Air-Based Batteries



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Fe-Air: Targeting 100 hour storage



Form Energy's large-scale manufacturing facility in Weirton, WV



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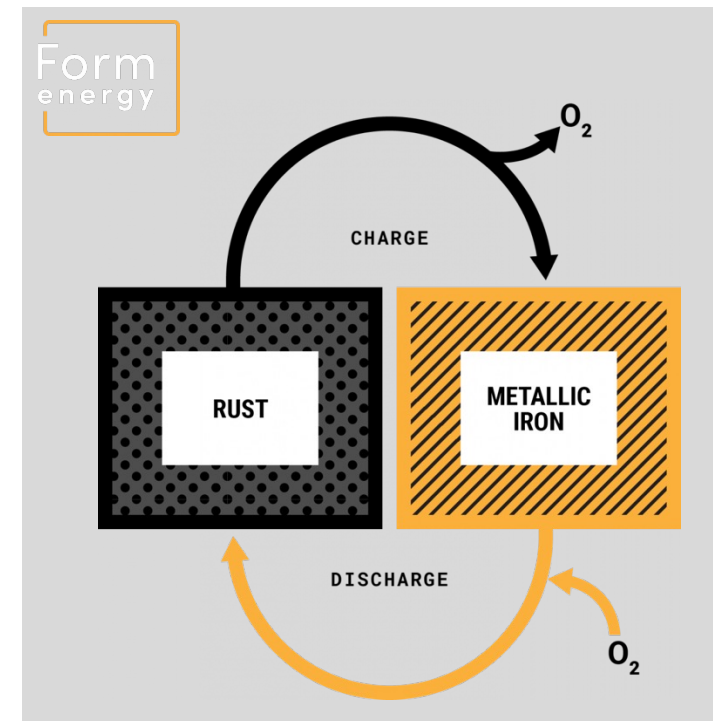


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Fe-Air Planned Deployments



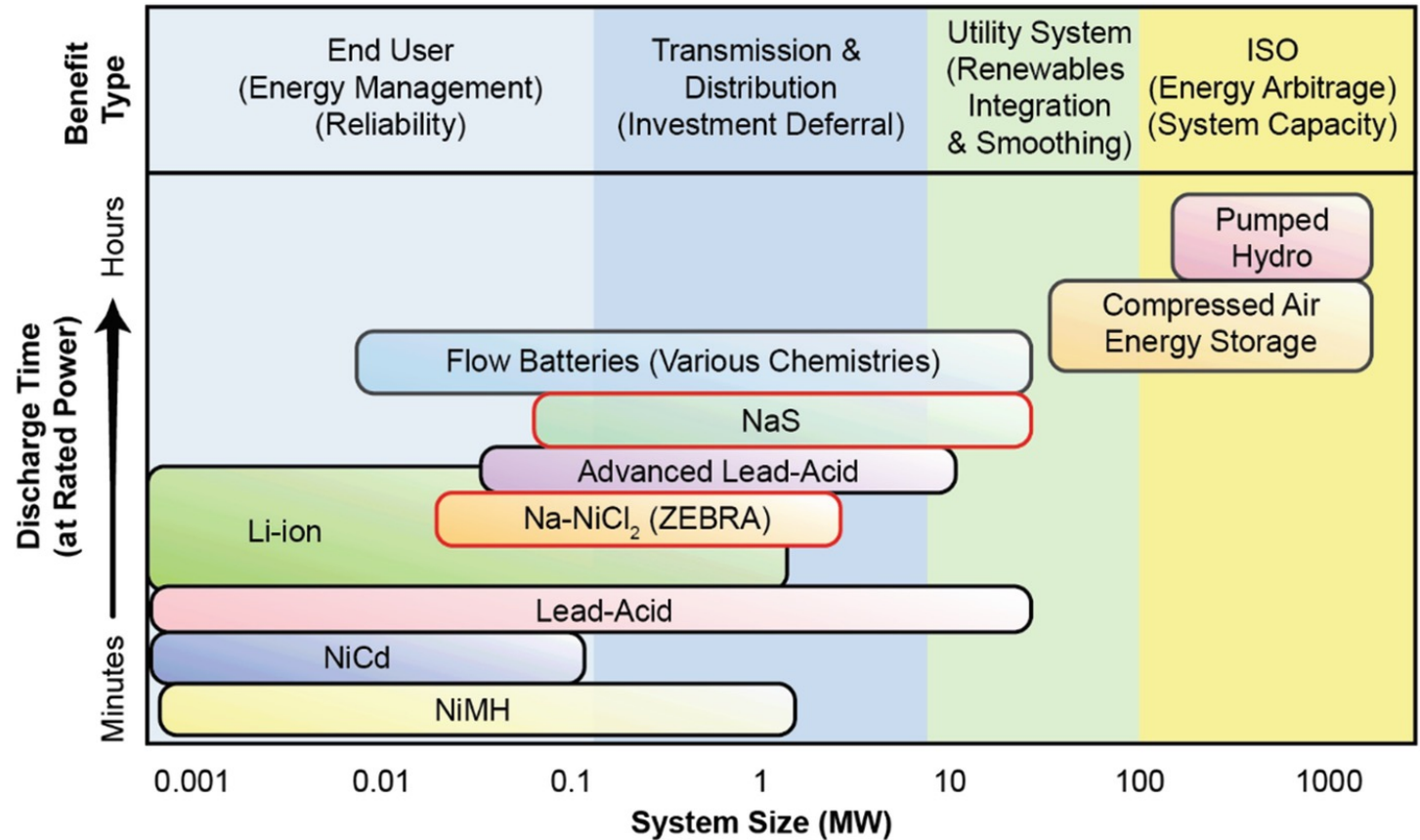
- Xcel Energy in MN (Sherco site)
 - 10 MW, 1000 MWh system
 - 5 acres of land, near solar plant being developed to provide 710 MW of power.
 - Construction to begin Q2 of 2024, expected to come online as early as 2025.
 - 15-20 construction jobs and \$9M in local tax revenue.
- Comanche Generating Station in Pueblo, CO
 - 10 MW, 1000 MWh system
 - Expected to come online as early as 2025.
- NYSERDA
 - Location TBD
 - 10MW/1000MWh
 - Expected to come online by 2026.
- Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) (CA)
 - 5 MW, 500MWh
 - electric substation in Mendicino County
 - expected to come online by 2025.
 - (Supported through the CEC)



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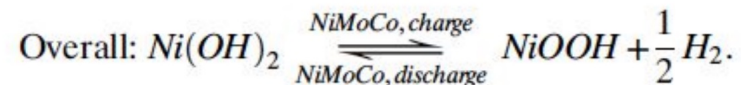
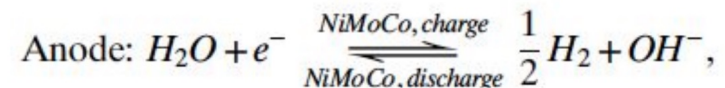
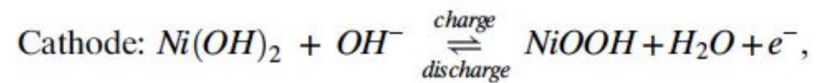
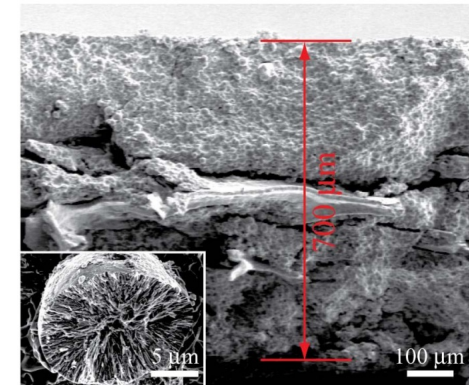
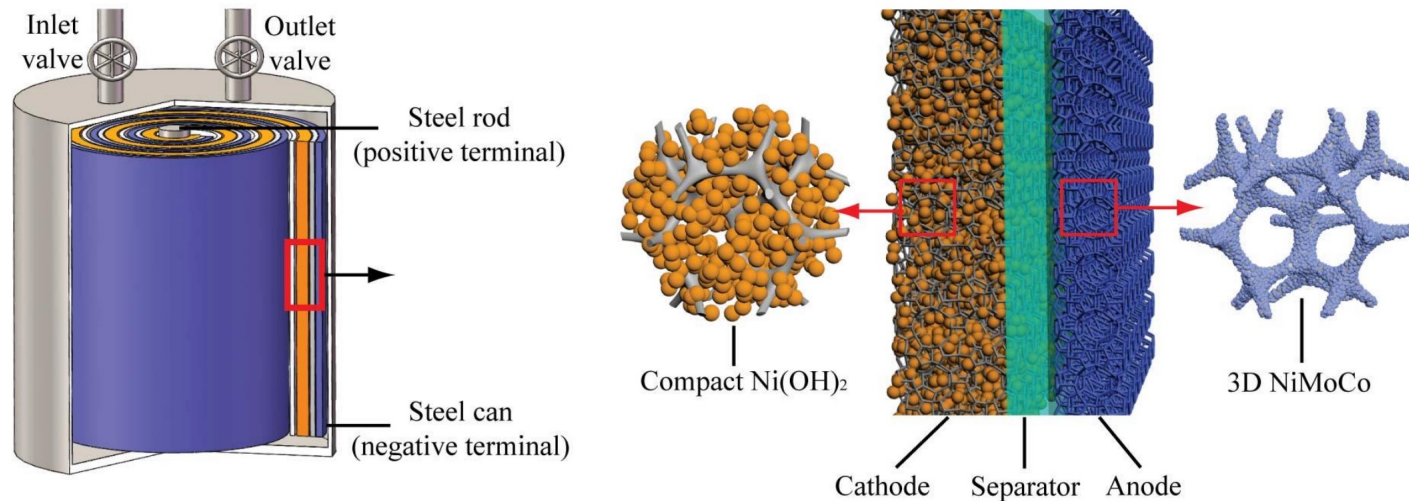
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NASA has used this technology for more than 30 years.

Ni-H₂ battery: design and principle

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Anticipated performance:

- 2-12 hours of storage with deep cycle discharge
- 3 daily cycles
- 30 year life
- 30,000 cycles

Energy Storage vessels

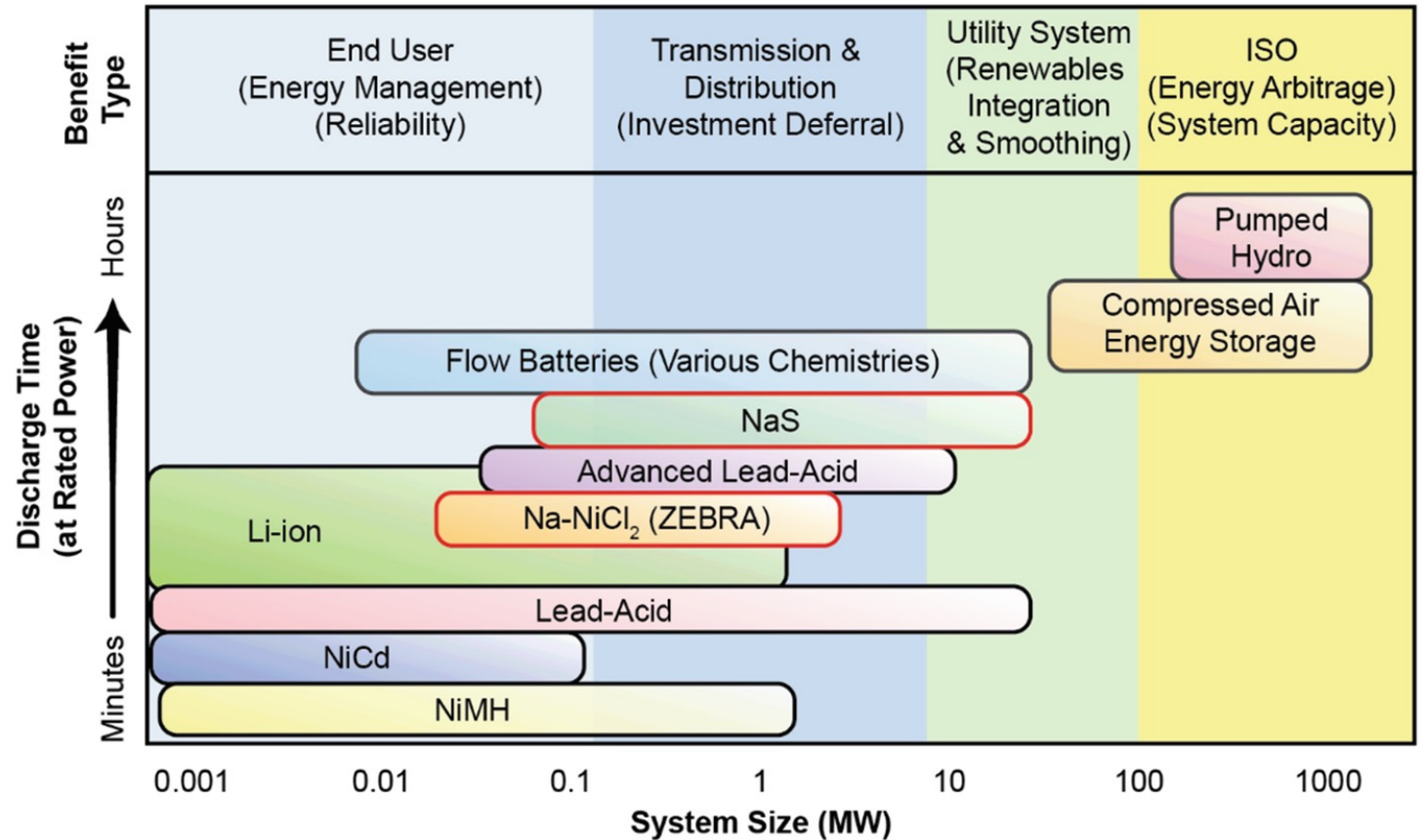


- March 2023 - Announced Gigafactory will be built in Shelby County, KY. Plan to ultimately produce 20 GWh/year.
- May 2023 - Completed UL9540A Fire Safety Testing and Achieves Certification to UL 1973 for Battery Energy Storage Systems.
- June, 2023 - Will partner with High Caliber Energy (LNG company) to produce 25 MWh for an undisclosed client in SE U.S. by Q4 2024.
- October, 2023 - With VedantaESS, will procure and deploy 525 MWh of storage (Energy Storage Vessels) over the next 3 years in Brazil (São Paulo).
 - 75MWh in 2024, 150 MWh in 2025, 300 MWh in 2026.

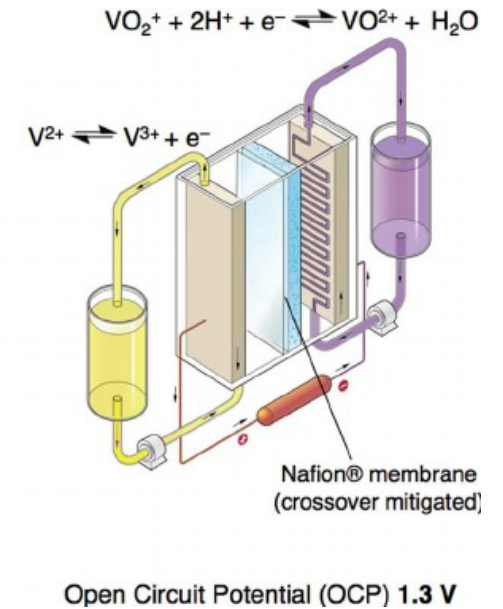
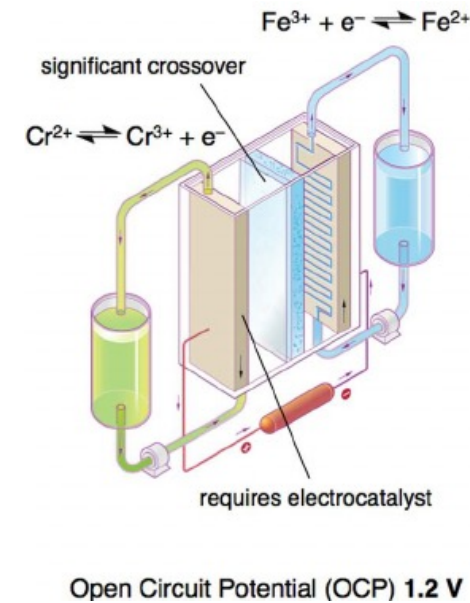
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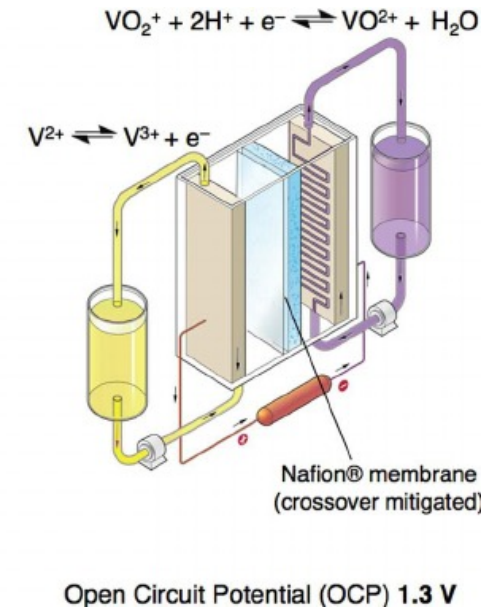
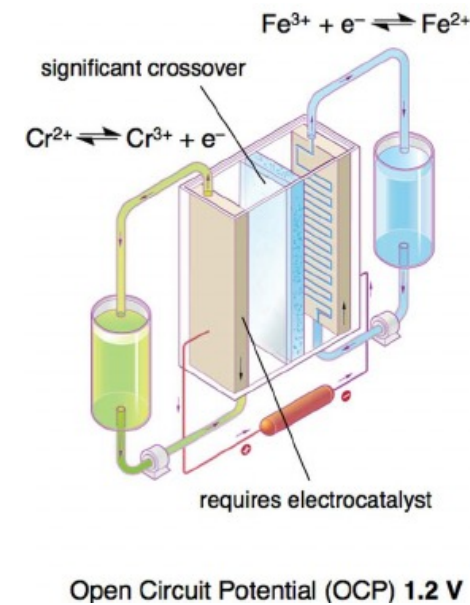


- Dalian Flow Battery Energy Storage Peak-shaving Power Station
- Power up to 200,000 residents per day

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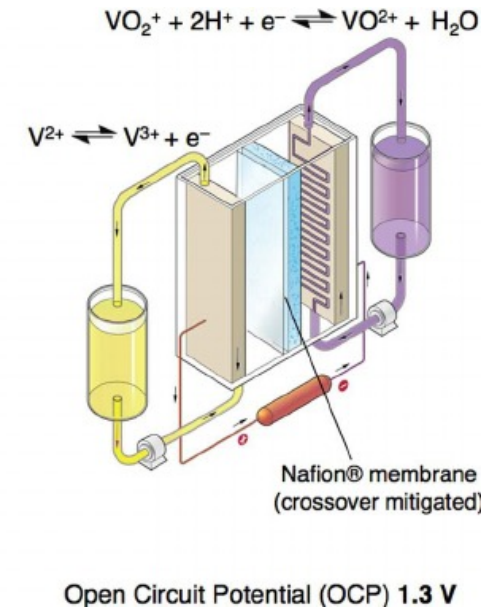
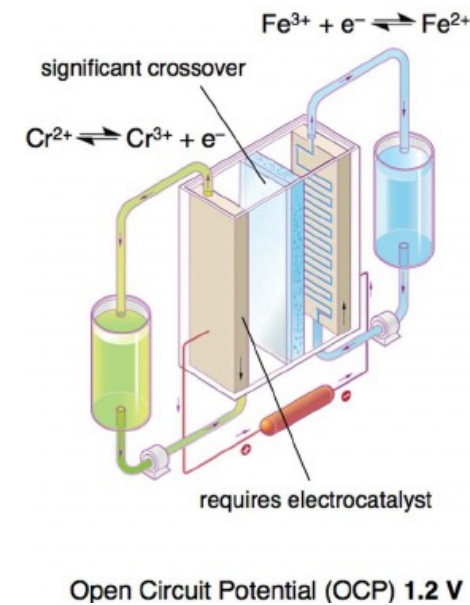
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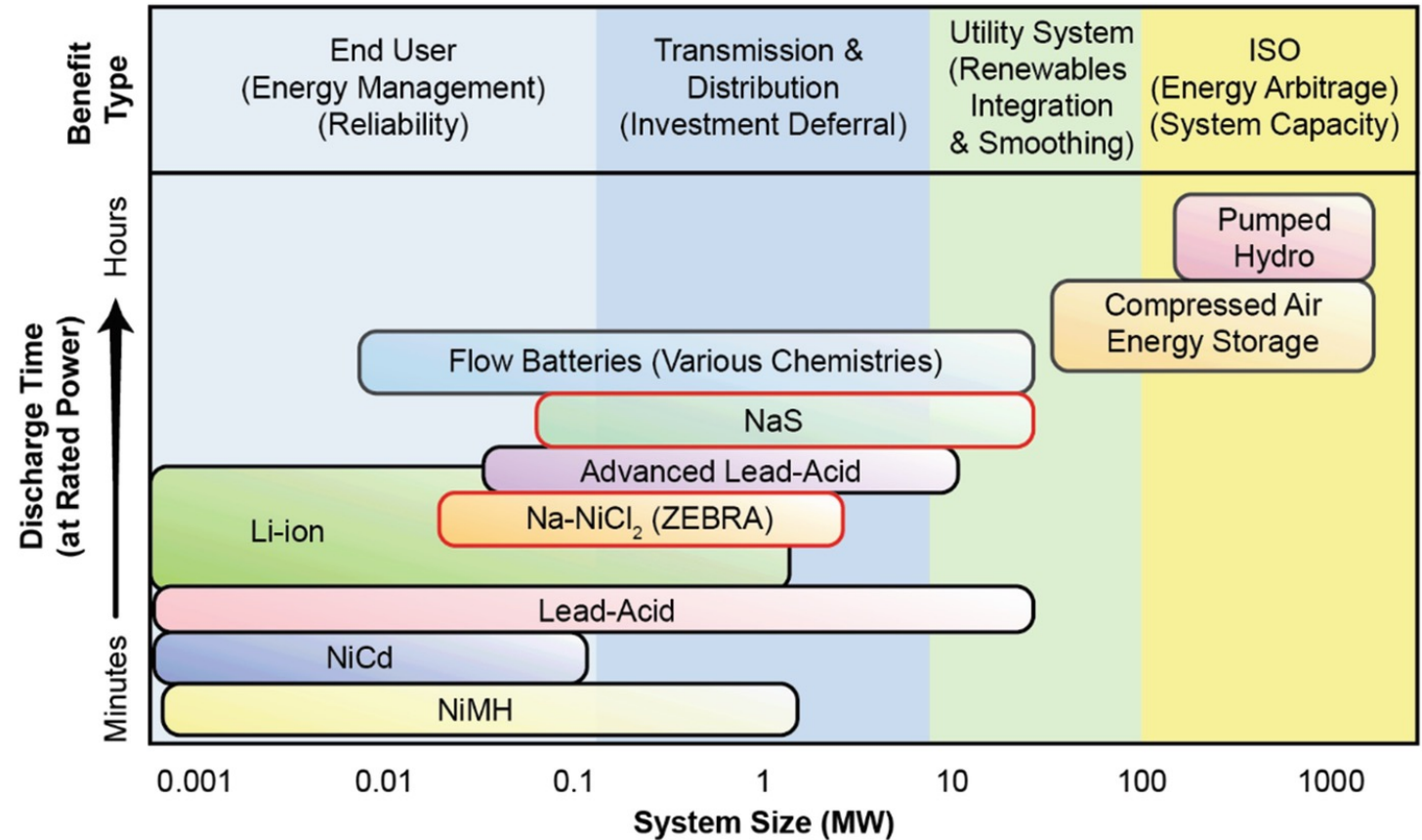

ESS INC
 CATALYZING A CLEAN FUTURE. EVERY DAY.

25 year lifetime expected

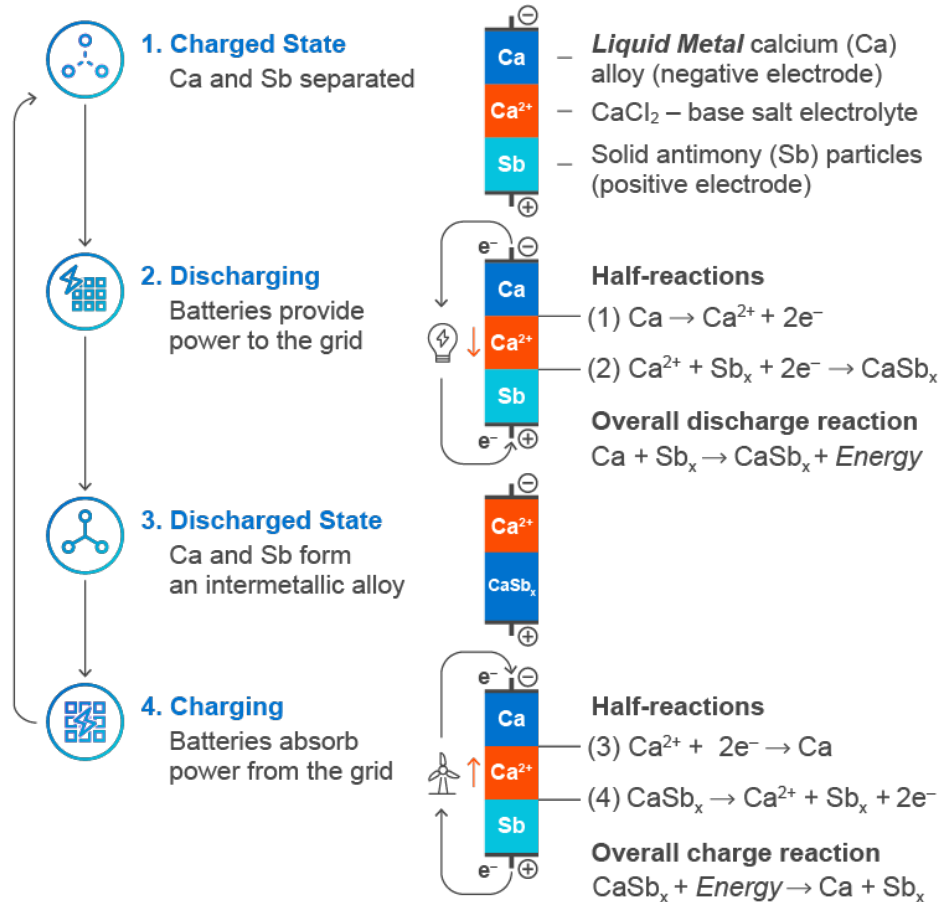
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Liquid Metal Batteries



Ambri-based system

Insulated container with outer wall at ambient temperature



Projected System Specifications

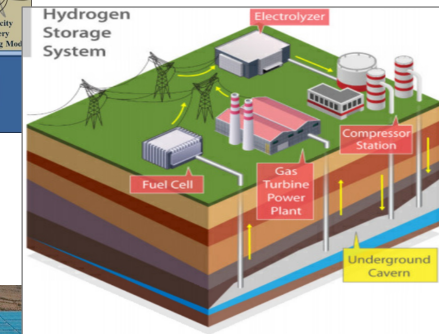
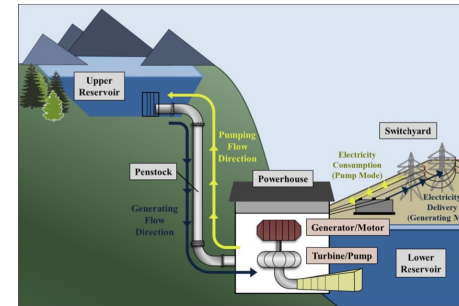
Power at rated energy	250 kW
Energy at Cp/4	1 MWh
Voltage	550 - 1150 VDC
External temperature range	-50°C to 100°C
DC-DC Efficiency	80% to 90% from C/4 to C/12
Internal operating temperature	485-525°C
Response time	Instantaneous
Dimensions	10' x 10' x 8' container
Design life	20 years

Currently supporting datacenters (e.g., Microsoft), and renewable energy demonstrations by Xcel energy (CO). A 300MW, 1.2GWh system that will be installed to support wind and solar renewables integration South Africa beginning in 2024.

What Are Our Technology Options for Stationary Storage?



- Gravity-Based/Mechanical Storage
- Chemical and Hydrogen Storage
- Thermal Storage
- Electrochemical (Batteries) Storage



5th Avenue on Easter Day, 1900



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