
Polyiodine zinc flow battery

Are zinc-iodine flow batteries safe?

The growing demand for grid-scale energy storage calls for safe and low-cost solutions, for which zinc-iodine flow batteries (ZIFBs) are highly promising. However, their practical application is critically hindered by two issues: accumulation of insoluble solid iodine at the cathode and zinc dendrite growth at the anode.

Are aqueous zinc-iodine flow batteries suitable for large-scale storage?

Aqueous zinc-iodine flow batteries show potential in large-scale storage but face water imbalance-induced instability. Here, authors develop a tailored ionic-molecular sieve membrane that selectively intercepts hydrated ions, enabling stable high-capacity long cycling with low projected costs.

Are aqueous zinc-iodine batteries possible?

Nevertheless, the development of aqueous zinc-iodine batteries has been impeded by persistent challenges associated with iodine cathodes and Zn anodes. Key obstacles include the shuttle effect of polyiodine and the sluggish kinetics of cathodes, dendrite formation, the hydrogen evolution reaction (HER), and the corrosion and passivation of anodes.

Are zinc-iodine batteries a viable alternative to lithium-ion batteries?

Zinc-iodine batteries are emerging as a promising candidate for large-scale energy storage due to their intrinsic safety, low cost, and environmental friendliness. Compared with lithium-ion batteries, aqueous zinc-based systems offer considerable advantages in terms of resource abundance and thermal stability.

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Inspired by the significant chromogenic reaction between starch and iodine, the shuttle effect of Zn-I₂ batteries is effectively addressed by using ...

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