

Title: Cycle number of zinc-iron flow battery

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Are neutral zinc-iron flow batteries a good choice?

Neutral zinc-iron flow batteries (ZIFBs) remain attractive due to features of low cost, abundant reserves, and mild operating medium. However, the ZIFBs based on  $\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6^{3-}/\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6^{4-}$  catholyte suffer from  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$   $\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6$  precipitation due to the  $\text{Zn}^{2+}$  crossover from the anolyte.

What is a zinc-based flow battery?

The history of zinc-based flow batteries is longer than that of the vanadium flow battery but has only a handful of demonstration systems. The currently available demo and application for zinc-based flow batteries are zinc-bromine flow batteries, alkaline zinc-iron flow batteries, and alkaline zinc-nickel flow batteries.

How do alkaline zinc-iron flow batteries work?

These batteries can work in a wide range of pH by adopting different varieties of iron couples. An alkaline zinc-iron flow battery usually has a high open-circuit voltage and a long life cycle performance using porous electrode and membrane.

Are zinc-iron flow batteries suitable for grid-scale energy storage?

Among which, zinc-iron (Zn/Fe) flow batteries show great promise for grid-scale energy storage. However, they still face challenges associated with the corrosive and environmental pollution of acid and alkaline electrolytes, hydrolysis reactions of iron species, poor reversibility and stability of  $\text{Zn}/\text{Zn}^{2+}$  redox couple.

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Adopting  $\text{K}_3\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6$  as the positive redox species to pair with the zinc anode with  $\text{ZnBr}_2$  modified electrolyte, the proposed neutral Zn/Fe flow batteries deliver excellent ...

High-performance zinc-based flow batteries - The discharge capacity of the improved zinc-iodine flow battery has been significantly increased and it can cycle stably for 600 cycles at 70% ...

The zinc-bromine flow battery ( $\text{Zn}-\text{Br}_2$ ) was the original flow battery. [6] John Doyle file patent US 224404 on September 29, 1879.  $\text{Zn}-\text{Br}_2$  batteries have relatively high specific energy, and ...

However, the development of zinc-iron redox flow batteries (RFBs) remains challenging due to severe inherent difficulties such as ...

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We undertake an in-depth analysis of the advantages offered by zinc iron flow batteries in the realm of energy storage, complemented by a forward-looking perspective.

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