

Special Issue

Fast-Charging Lithium Batteries: Challenges, Progress and Future

Message from the Guest Editors

Compared to traditional combustion-engine-powered vehicles that can be refilled in 5 min, electric vehicles currently take much longer to refill. To meet the expectations of consumers, fast-charging lithium batteries are considered a key challenge for the widespread adoption of electric vehicles. Many obstacles such as extensive energy decay and safety issues hinder the fast-charging target of charging to 80% state of charge within 10–15 min. This Special Issue is looking for contributions to help us understand the mechanism and obstacles of fast charging and gather innovative studies on novel materials and technologies to improve fast-charging capability of batteries.

Potential topics include but not are limited to:

- Li-ion batteries, Li metal batteries, Li-S, Li-O, etc.
- Material development including anode, cathode, electrolyte, etc.
- Electrode and cell design and fabrication.
- Cell performance testing including cycle life and thermal safety investigation.
- Characterization methodology investigation.
- Modeling and machine learning to understand and predict cell performance.

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