





# Center for Solid-State Electric Power Storage NSF IUCRC CEPS

NSF Industry-University Cooperative Research Program

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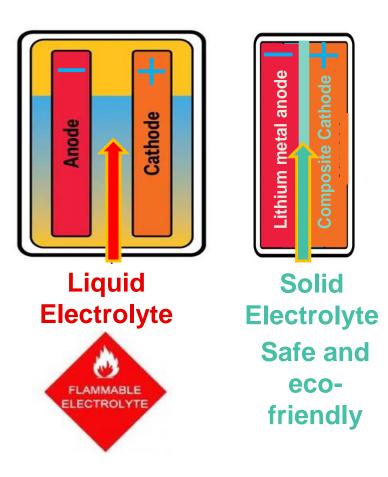




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# **CEPS** focus on next-generation energy storage



- Lithium-ion/metal battery technology (liquid, ceramic and polymer hybrids)
  - Safe, high energy/power density, long life, fast charge
  - Require more efforts (CAGR 37% in 2025–2037)
  - No supply chain in the U.S.

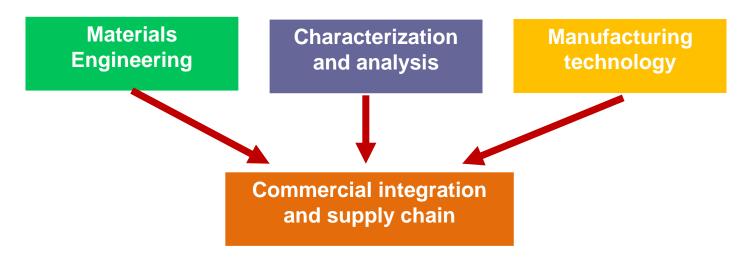
- Sodium-ion/metal battery technology (liquid, ceramic, and polymer hybrids)
  - Cost-effective (20% vs. LIBs)
  - Available supply chain
  - Safe, operate at sub-zero temperatures
  - Not yet on the U.S. market

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# **NSF IUCRC CEPS Technology Capabilities and Highlights**





- Processes at interfaces
- In-situ and operando XRD, XPS, REELS, UV, Raman
- Atomic-level resolution TEM (Talos 2025)
- Dry deposition technology
- Free access to BNL and SLAC facilities
- Battery safety evaluation
- BMS and integration
- Battery recycling

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### **Commercial integration**

#### **Battery designs:**

- Lithium-ion
- Lithium-metal
- Anode-free LIBs
- Lithium-sulfur
- Sodium-ion
- Sodium-metal

Battery safety evaluation

Modelling/System integration (AI/ML)

Battery recycling and lithium extraction

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## **CEPS Value Proposition for Industry and National labs**



- R&D projects are proposed by partners
- IUCRC CEPS federal & international status
- Universities and OEMs perform research jointly
- Long-term partnerships with industry



- Minimal technology risks at low cost (\$25-\$50K/year)
- Availability of supplemental funding



- NSF-protected IP
- Royalty-free non-exclusive or exclusive licensing
- Tax deduction through foundations/charity

- Energy workforce development
- CEPS-paid PhD Interns (\$55K/6month)
- Acquired skills to work with industry partner



- Membership approval is simple: <a href="https://www.greenceps.com/membership-agreement">https://www.greenceps.com/membership-agreement</a>
- (not required for national labs)
- IP for CEPS members: <a href="https://www.greenceps.com/introduction-to-ceps">https://www.greenceps.com/introduction-to-ceps</a>



# Center targets: from materials to commercialization



# Phase I (5 years)

#### Year 3

Infrastructure for processes at interfaces

#### Year 2

Manufacturing of battery components

#### Year 4

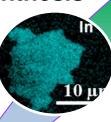
Infrastructure for cell prototyping

#### Year 5

- **Pre-pilot scale** manufacturing
  - Commercialization through CEPS industry members
- **Acquisition of the** congressional funding

#### Year 1

- Materials synthesis
  - **Electrolytes**
  - **Cathodes**
  - **Anodes**



We are now accepting proposals for Yr. V (Phase 1)



# **Acknowledgments and Upcoming IAB CEPS meetings**





- NSF IUCRC program (\$4.5M)
- NSF Upstate NY "Energy Engine" project (\$50M)
- SDBoR Governor's Research Center (\$3.9M)
- Industry partners (\$1.3M)

#### **Registration for 2025 IAB CEPS meetings:**

- IAB on May 8-9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Online (reports Yr. IV / proposals Yr. 5)
- https://www.greenceps.com/iab-registration-may-2025
- IAB on September 29-30<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at South Dakota Mines
- Projects approval and IAB members' voting



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