

Supplementary Information

**Historical development and novel concepts upon electrolytes for aqueous
rechargeable batteries**

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Table S1 A summary of recently representative works upon additive-added electrolytes for ARBs.

Electrolyte	Electrode	ESW	Energy density	Cyclic stability	Working temperature	Reference
SDS-added 1 M Na_2SO_4 +1 M ZnSO_4	$\text{Zn//Na}_2\text{MnFe}(\text{CN})_6$	2.5 V	170 $\text{Wh}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$ (cathode)	2000 cycles (5 C)	RT	Ref. 1
2 vol.% Et_2O added 3 M $\text{Zn}(\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3)_2$ +0.1 M $\text{Mn}(\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3)_2$	Zn//MnO_2	n/a	n/a	4000 cycles (5 $\text{A}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$)	RT	Ref. 2
SDBS added 1 M LiSO_3CF_3 and 1 M $\text{Zn}(\text{SO}_3\text{CF}_3)_2$	Zn//LiFePO_4	n/a	113 $\text{Wh}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$ (total electrode)	500 cycles (5 C)	RT	Ref. 3
0.5 m $\text{Me}_3\text{EtN}^+\text{OTF}^-$ added 4 m $\text{Zn}(\text{OTF})_2$	Zn//VOPO_4	2.7 V	136 $\text{Wh}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$ (total electrode)	6000 cycles (2 $\text{A}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$)	RT	Ref. 4
DMSO added 2 M NaClO_4	$\text{Na}_3\text{V}_2(\text{PO}_4)_3//\text{Na}_3\text{V}_2(\text{PO}_4)_3$	3.1 V	n/a	100 cycles (1 $\text{A}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$)	RT	Ref. 5
2 M HBF_4 + 2 M $\text{Mn}(\text{BF}_4)_2$	Alloxazine// MnO_2	~1.8 V	110 $\text{Wh}\cdot\text{kg}^{-1}$ (total electrode)	500 cycles (4 C) 100 cycles	-60 °C	Ref. 6
ZnF_2 added 2 M ZnSO_4 +1 M Li_2SO_4	Anode-free// LiMn_2O_4	n/a	n/a	(200/400 $\text{mA}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$)	RT	Ref. 7
5 M H_2SO_4	Pb//PCHL-rGO	n/a	n/a	3000 cycles (10 $\text{A}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$)	RT to -70 °C	Ref. 8

Table S2 A summary of recently representative works upon pH-adjusted electrolytes for ARBs.

Electrolyte	Electrode	ESW	Energy density	Cyclic stability	Working temperature	Reference
1 M ZnSO ₄ +1.5 M HOAc+1.5 M NaOAc 1 M FeSO ₄ +1.5 M FeCl ₂	Zn//Fe	n/a	n/a	200 cycles (30 mA·cm ⁻²)	RT	Ref. 9
1 M ZnSO ₄ -P2VP	Zn//I ₂	n/a	220 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (cathode)	250 cycles (0.3 A·g ⁻¹) 2000 cycles	RT	Ref. 10
0.1 M H ₂ SO ₄ +1 M ZnSO ₄ +1 M MnSO ₄	Zn//MnO ₂	2.41 V	409 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (total electrode)	(30 mA·cm ⁻²)	RT	Ref. 11
6 M KOH+0.2 M ZnO+5 mM vanillin 3 M H ₂ SO ₄ +0.1 M MnSO ₄	Zn//MnO ₂	n/a	1621.7 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (cathode)	200 cycles (500 mA·g ⁻¹) 4000 cycles	RT	Ref. 12
3 M NaOH+0.2 M ZnO 2 M ZnSO ₄ +0.5 MnSO ₄	Zn//MnO ₂	3.46 V	n/a	(10 mA·cm ⁻²)	RT	Ref. 13
1 M LiOH+1 M Li ₂ Zn(OH) ₄ 5 M LiNO ₃	Zn//LiMn ₂ O ₄	3.0 V	208 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (total electrode)	1000 cycles (1.69 C)	RT	Ref. 14

Table S3 A summary of recently representative works upon gelled electrolytes for ARBs.

Electrolyte	Electrode	ESW	Energy density	Cyclic stability	Working temperature	Reference
25 m LiTFSI-PVA	LiVPO ₄ F// LiVPO ₄ F	3.2 V	141 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (total electrode)	4000 cycles (20 °C)	RT	Ref. 15
2 m LiTFSI-PEG	Li ₄ Ti ₅ O ₁₂ //LiMn ₂ O ₄	3.2 V	110 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (total electrode)	300 cycles (1 C)	RT	Ref. 16
1 M NaCl+1 M ZnCl ₂ -SA	Zn//CuHCF-CNT	2.72 V	440 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (cathode)	450 cycles (1 A·g ⁻¹)	RT	Ref. 17
1 M ZnSO ₄ -gelatin 1 M CuSO ₄ -gelatin	Zn//S	n/a	2372 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (cathode)	100 cycles (500 mA·g ⁻¹) 10000 cycles (5 mA·cm ⁻²)	RT	Ref. 18
7 M LiCl-SBMA+HEA	AC//AC	2.2 V	n/a	cycles (5 mA·cm ⁻²)	-30 °C, RT, 60 °C	Ref. 19
2 M ZnSO ₄ +0.2 M MnSO ₄ -PVA-B-G	Zn//MnO ₂	~2.0 V	25.8 mWh·cm ⁻³	2000 cycles (1 A·g ⁻¹)	-30 °C	Ref. 20

Table S4 A summary of recently representative works upon interface-tuning electrolytes for ARBs.

Electrolyte	Electrode	ESW	Energy density	Cyclic stability	Working temperature	Reference
20 mM Zn(NO ₃) ₂ +3 M Zn(OTf) ₂	Zn//MnO ₂	n/a	168 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (total electrode)	700 cycles (10 C)	RT	Ref. 21
21 m LiTFSI+7 m LiOTf-PVA	LiTFSI- HFE+PEO+DMC/graphite//LiMn ₂ O ₄ or LiVPO ₄ F	~3.1 V	approaching state-of-art LiBs	50 cycles (0.3 C)	RT	Ref. 22
9.5 M LiNO ₃ +LiOH (pH=10)	AC//LiNO ₂	n/a	n/a	50 cycles (1 C)	RT	Ref. 23
15 m NaClO ₄	TiS ₂ -Al ₂ O ₃ //MFCN-TiO ₂	3.5 V	100 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (total electrode)	200 cycles (1 C)	RT	Ref. 24
2 M ZnSO ₄	Zn-graphite//MnO ₂	n/a	164 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (total electrode)	1000 cycles (8 mA·cm ⁻²) 80 cycles	RT	Ref. 25
2 M Al(OTf) ₃	Zn/Al//Al _x MnO ₂	n/a	n/a	(100 mA·g ⁻¹) ¹⁾	RT	Ref. 26

Table S5 A summary of recently representative works upon beyond concentrated electrolytes for ARBs.

Electrolyte	Electrode	ESW	Energy density	Cyclic stability	Working temperature	Reference
33 m LiNO ₃ -PVA	VO ₂ //LiNi _{0.5} Mn _{1.5} O ₄ or LiMn ₂ O ₄	3.2 V	176 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (total electrode)	700 cycles (3 C)	RT to 80 °C	Ref. 27
1 m Zn(ClO ₄) ₂ +10 m LiClO ₄ -PVA	Zn//LiMn ₂ O ₄	3.3 V	183 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (cathode)	300 cycles (1 C)	RT to 80 °C	Ref. 28
1 m Zn(OAc) ₂ +40 m KOAc-PAA	Zn//MnO ₂	3.45 V	386 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (cathode)	2000 cycles (5 C) 70000 cycles (1 A·g ⁻¹)	RT to 80 °C	Ref. 29
1 M Zn(ClO ₄) ₂	Zn//AC	n/a	n/a	n/a	-30 °C & -60 °C	Ref. 30
45 m ZnBr _{0.5} Cl _{1.5} +1 m Zn(OAc) ₂	Zn/GFF//PGA	n/a	908.5 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (cathode)	500 cycles (1 A·g ⁻¹)	RT	Ref. 31
42 m LiTFSI+21 m Me ₃ EtN·TFSI	Li ₄ Ti ₅ O ₁₂ //LiMn ₂ O ₄	3.25 V	145 Wh·kg ⁻¹ (total electrode)	150 cycles (0.2 C)	RT	Ref. 32

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