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### Heavy metal-free battery technology

How does IBM's new battery technology work?

Here's how it works. IBM announced last week that it has discovered a breakthrough new battery technology without heavy metals and with superior characteristics as lithium-ion batteries. Instead, the new battery is based on three new materials that can be extracted from sea water, leading to improved sustainability.

#### Can a lithium ion battery be recycled?

Once depleted, the battery can be disposed of without the need for any recycling facility, as its components are nontoxic and shown to be biotically degradable in a standardized test. The practical utility of the battery is demonstrated by direct substitution of a lithium ion coin cell in a diagnostic application.

#### How will IBM's new battery improve sustainability?

Instead, the new battery is based on three new materials that can be extracted from sea water, leading to improved sustainability. IBM is partnering with other companies to commercialize the technology. IBM in particular stresses the heavy metal-free nature of the new battery, improving the long-term sustainability of batteries.

#### How long does a battery last?

Once activated, the battery is set to operate for a certain amount of time--up to 2 h--and then be disposed of in an organic waste container or even discarded in the field, where it will biotically degrade by bacteria with a minimal environmental impact.

#### How can ultra-FB batteries be integrated into the battery industry?

However, for ultra-FBs, newer techniques such as electrospinning and micropatterningneed to be established within the battery industry. Similarly, nanocarbon additives such as CNTs/graphene and electrolytes including ILs and solid electrolytes should be optimised for large scale integration.

#### Can transient batteries be used in ex vivo applications?

Other promising transient battery approaches for ex vivo applications have been recently reported. For example, Ding and Yu support the use of hydroquinone as metal-free, inexpensive redox-active organic materials for environmental-friendly, cost effective sustainable energy storage.

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electrodes when needed. This could increase energy density over existing zinc-manganese ...

IBM Research announced a chemistry for a new battery based on three new and different proprietary materials, which does not use heavy metals or other substances with sourcing concerns. The materials for this battery are able to be extracted from seawater, laying the groundwork for less invasive sourcing techniques than...

The use of metal-free, inexpensive redox-active organic materials represents a promising direction for environmental-friendly, cost-effective sustainable energy storage. To this end, a liquid battery is designed using hydroquinone (H2BQ) aqueous solution as catholyte and graphite in aprotic electrolyte as anode. The working potential ...

Using three new and different proprietary materials, which have never before been recorded as being combined in a battery, our team at IBM Research has discovered a chemistry for a new battery which does not use heavy metals or other substances with sourcing concerns.

"I was able to draw significantly from my learnings as we set out to develop the new battery technology." Alsym"s founding team began by trying to design a battery from scratch based on new materials that could fit ...

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Herein, we present an all-organic metal-free NH 4 + ion full battery that can operate at a low temperature of 0 °C, by using polypyrrole (PPy) as the cathode, polyaniline (PANI) as the anode, and 19 m ammonium acetate aqueous solution as electrolyte.

This article presents a new approach for environmentally benign, low-cost batteries intended for single-use applications. The proposed battery is designed and fabricated using exclusively organic m...

Lithium-free metal batteries are currently emerging as a viable substitute for the existing Li-ion battery technology, especially for large-scale energy storage, ease of problems with lithium availability, high cost, and safety concerns. However, the economic benefits of lithium-free batteries, which are often mentioned, have not been studied in detail until recently. This paper ...

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