



# Solid State Battery Technology

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- 1. *Cost Reduction*** in the long run compared to current technologies
  - Savings on the anode and separator elements
- 2. *Higher Energy Density***
  - Longer duration stationary applications; longer range for mobility
- 3. *Safety***

1. There is no liquid or gel
  - The liquid or gel electrolyte is replaced by a 'solid-state' layer
  - Electrolyte could be ceramic, glass, or plastic-like polymer
2. Solid electrolyte allows for **higher density**
  - More energy contained in smaller space/area
3. Traditionally challenging to manufacture
4. Growing installation footprint today → **Big potential for hot climates, high tolerance to ambient heat without need of cooling systems**

# MAIN CHALLENGES OF TOMORROW'S BATTERY



## 1) Cost

- Raw material costs (re-use via recycling)
- Continuous Process
- Suppression of formation of migrating ions (SEI)
- Scaling



## 2) Safety

- 0 risk of fire
- 0 risk of explosion
- 0 risk of leakage
- 0 risk of gas emissions



## 3) Density

- Long energy delivery
- Autonomy/range required for electro mobility



## 4) Service Life

- Calendar life > 15 years
- Cyclability depending on applications (> 4000 for daily use; > 1500 for EV)
- Constant performance: no loss of capacity



## 5) Traceability / Ethical Sourcing

- Responsible extraction
- Full material traceability



## 6) Life Cycle

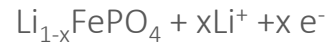
- 100% recyclable
- Close loop material reuse

An R&D priority shared by all manufacturers: the solid battery

Anode : Lithium foil

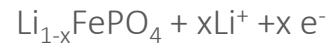
Electrolyte : PEO + Lithium salts

Cathode:  $\text{LiFePO}_4$

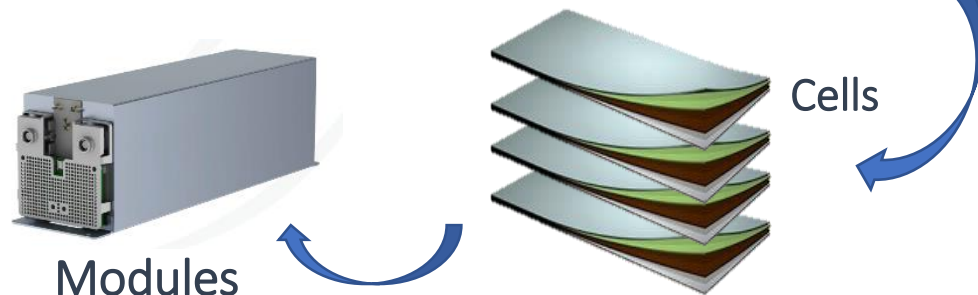
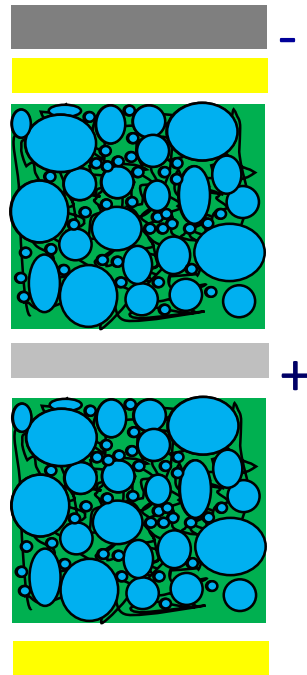


Current collector : Aluminum foil

Cathode:  $\text{LiFePO}_4$



Electrolyte : PEO + Lithium salts



## BENEFITS

### SAFETY

- No thermal runaway

### ROBUST

- Suitable for hot climates  
➔ *Africa, South Asia, Tropical Islands*
- No cooling needed

### DENSITY

- **230 Wh/kg**
- **360 Wh/L**

### PERFORMANCE

- Service Life > **12 years**
- Cyclability > **4000 cycles**
- Constant Capacity
- **Long Duration (>C/2)**

### SUSTAINABILITY

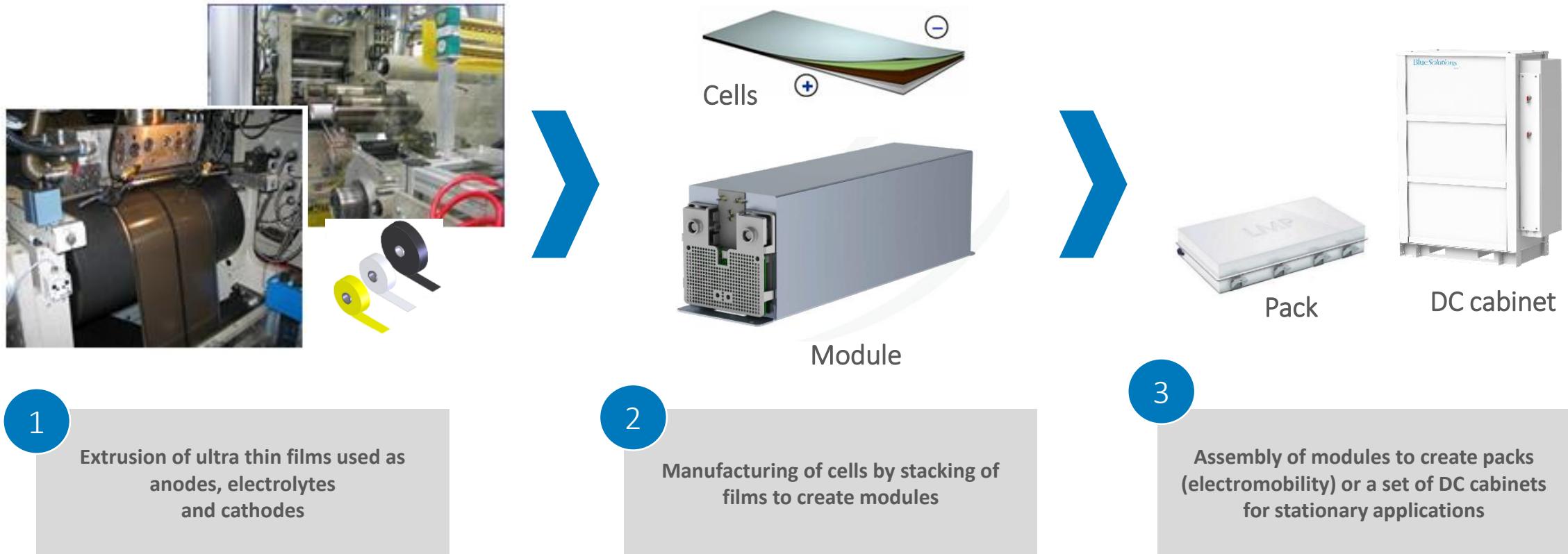
- No Cobalt / Nickel
- No Rare Earths
- No Solvents

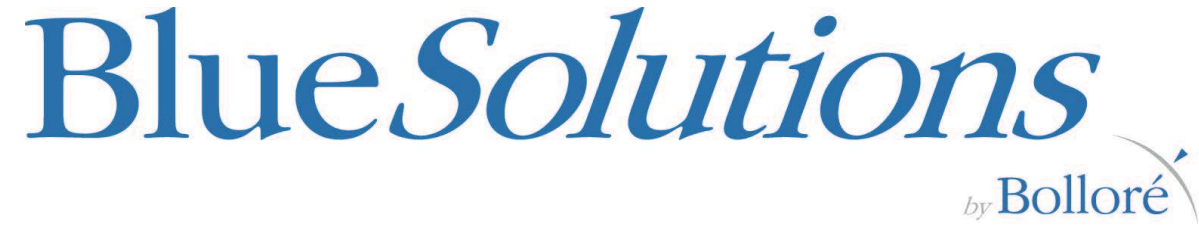


## LIMITATIONS

- Not suitable for power applications (nominal discharge C/2)
- Electrolyte conductivity from 60 °C

## MANUFACTURING PROCESS





Thank you!

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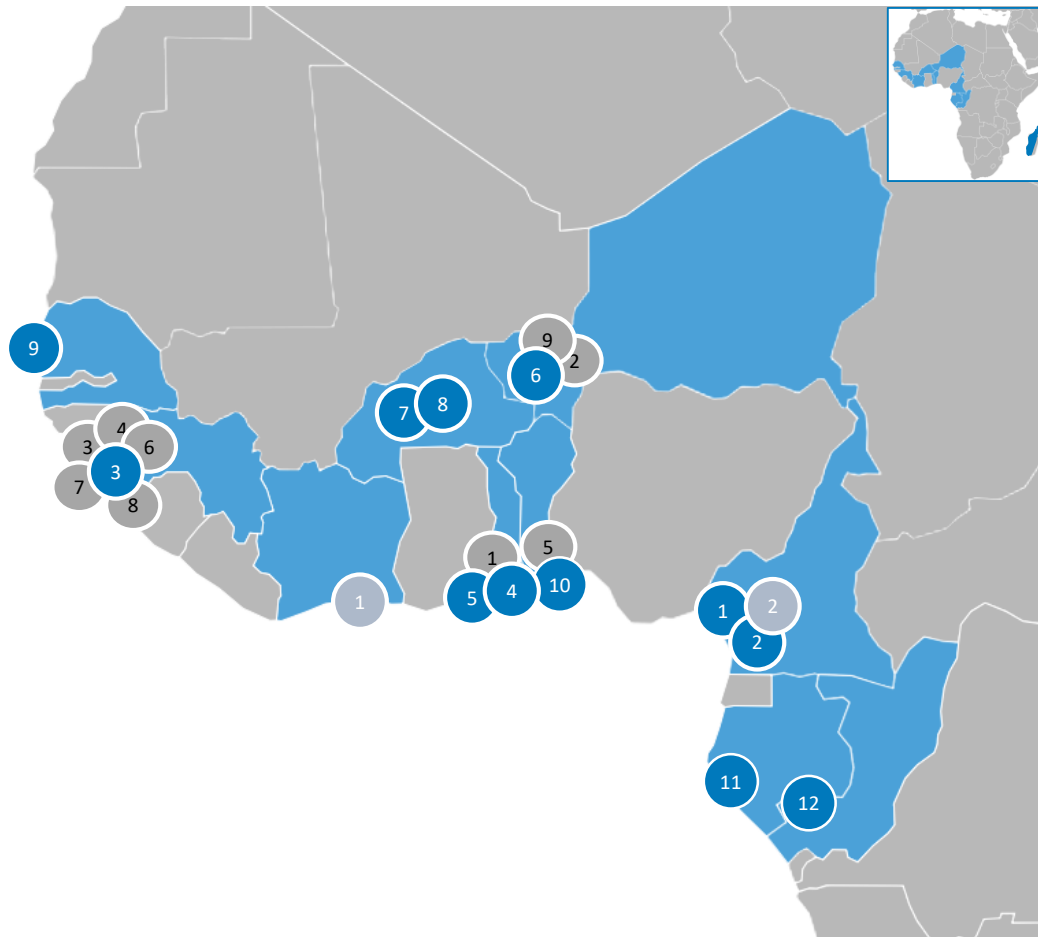
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# Additional Notes



# MICROGRIDS USING SOLID-STATE BATTERY TECHNOLOGY

LMP IS THE #1 OF STORAGE TECHNOLOGY IN AFRICA WITH MORE THAN 7 MWH ALREADY OPERATIONAL AND MORE THAN 9 MWH UNDER DEVELOPMENT



## Bluezone

- 1 Togo – Cacavelli  
145 kWp - 360 kWh
- 2 Niger – Dosso  
70 kWp - 180 kWh
- 3 Guinea – Kaloum  
145 kWp - 360 kWh
- 4 Guinea – Dixinn  
145 kWp - 360 kWh
- 5 Benin – Cotonou  
145 kWp - 360 kWh
- 6 Guinea – Yataya  
50 kWp - 90 kWh
- 7 Guinea – Sonfonia  
50 kWp - 90 kWh
- 8 Guinea – Kagbelen  
50 kWp - 90 kWh
- 9 Niger – Niamey  
70 kWp - 180 kWh

## Bluebus

- 1 Ivory Coast – Abidjan  
70 kWp - 180kWh
- 2 Cameroon – Yaoundé  
70 kWp - 180kWh

## Canal Olympia

- 1 Cameroon – Yaoundé  
145 kWp - 400 kWh
- 2 Cameroon – Douala  
145 kWp - 400 kWh
- 3 Guinea – Conakry  
145 kWp - 400 kWh
- 4 Togo – Lomé  
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145 kWp - 400 kWh
- 6 Niger – Niamey  
145 kWp - 400 kWh
- 7 Burkina – Ouagadougou  
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- 8 Burkina – Ouagadougou  
145 kWp - 400 kWh
- 9 Senegal – Dakar  
145 kWp - 400 kWh
- 10 Benin – Cotonou  
145 kWp - 400 kWh
- 11 Gabon – Port Gentil  
145 kWp - 400 kWh
- 12 Congo – Brazzaville  
145 kWp - 400 kWh
- 13 Madagascar – Antananarivo  
145 kWp - 400 kWh

## Under development

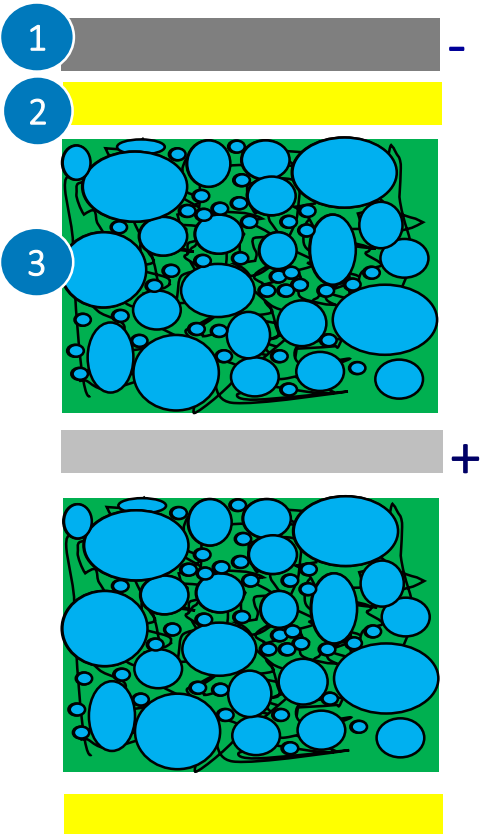
### CanalOlympia

- Guinea – Tombolia  
145 kWp - 400 kWh
- Congo – Pointe Noire  
145 kWp - 400 kWh
- Congo – Oyo  
145 kWp - 400 kWh
- Nigeria  
300 kWp - 800 kWh
- Rwanda – Kigali  
145 kWp - 400 kWh
- + 10 other countries

### Mini-Grids

- Tanzania – Kigali  
100 kWh
- Benin  
3,5 MWh - 4 MWh
- Madagascar – North  
645 kWp - 1000 kWh
- Sierra Leone – North  
155 kWp - 400 kWh
- Guinea  
155 kWp - 400 kWh

# TECHNICAL CHALLENGES IN SOLID STATE TECHNOLOGY



## 1 ANODE

Mastery of manufacturing processes for Lithium Metal films:

- Homogeneous thickness of only a few  $\mu\text{m}$
- Smooth surface
- Purity
- Interface compatibility with electrolyte

## 3 CATHODE

- Use of high potential materials
- Interface compatibility with electrolyte

## 2 ELECTROLYTE

- Solid membrane w/ high mechanical resistance
- Prevention of dendrite formation
- Good conductivity
- Cost Control and density aspects compared to a liquid electrolyte
- Capacity to withstand voltage

## CELL

- Mastery of significantly different manufacturing process
- Continuous Manufacturing Process
- Absence of Solvents



# Solid-State Cells Manufacturing

