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Is pack lithium battery a second-life use



Overview

High energy density has made Li-ion battery become a reliable energy storage technology for transport-grid applications. Safely disposing batteries that below 80% of their nominal capacity is a matter of great concern.

Can second life & recycling influence the energy and environmental sustainability of lithium-ion batteries?

Second life and recycling of retired automotive lithium-ion batteries (LIBs) have drawn growing attention, as large volumes of LIBs will retire in the coming decade. Here, we illustrate how battery chemistry, use, and recycling can influence the energy and environmental sustainability of LIBs.

Can second-life lithium-ion batteries be used as fast-charging energy storage?

Economic and environmental feasibility of second-life lithium-ion batteries as fast-charging energy storage. *Environ. Sci. Technol.* 54, 6878–6887. [10.1021/acs.est.9b05883](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.est.9b05883) [DOI] [PubMed] [Google Scholar].

What is a second life battery (SLB)?

Second life batteries (SLBs), also referred to as retired or repurposed batteries, are lithium-ion batteries that have reached the end of their primary use in applications such as electric vehicles and renewable energy systems (Zhu et al., 2021a).

How can second-life batteries help e-mobility?

Reusing batteries extends their lifecycle, reduces waste and the environmental impact of lithium-ion battery production. Second-life batteries provide affordable solutions for battery energy storage and e-mobility, accelerating electrification efforts globally. To realize this potential, several steps must be taken.

Can batteries be used in a Second Life format?

These batteries have many viable applications in a second life format; for example, to provide an energy store within our grid energy networks, to

complement the intermittent loading associated with renewable energy harvesting methods (Zhu et al., 2021a; Martinez-Laserna et al., 2018).

Can batteries be repurposed in a second life application?

While there are options for reusing batteries in second life applications, there will ultimately be the need to recycle them. There are four main recycling methods that are actively being researched or in use in industry: (i) pyrometallurgy, (ii) hydrometallurgy, (iii) biometallurgy and (iv) direct recycling.

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