

Thermal management of Li-ion Batteries

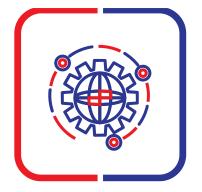
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We enable temperature control solutions, Innovatively and Sustainably

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Research and Development

Green technology

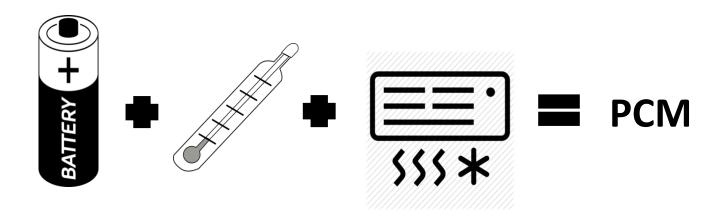
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#### INTRODUCTION

#### **What are Phase Change Materials**

- Stores large energy in the form of latent heat
- Also called Passive Cooling Materials.
- Release/Absorption of heat at constant temperature
- Release/Absorption process repeatable over a substantial number of cycles



#### savE® Phase Change Materials (PCMs) - Applications

- Thermal energy storage materials sold in bulk for maintaining temperatures
- Proprietary offerings across wide temperature range from -33°C to +89°C

#### **Applications:**

✓ Cold Chain Temperature sensitive pharmaceutical and food products.

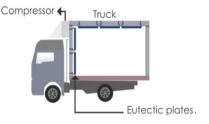
✓ Refrigeration Back up during power failures.

✓ Refrigerated Trucks Passive temperature control trucks

✓ Cold Storage Back up during power failures

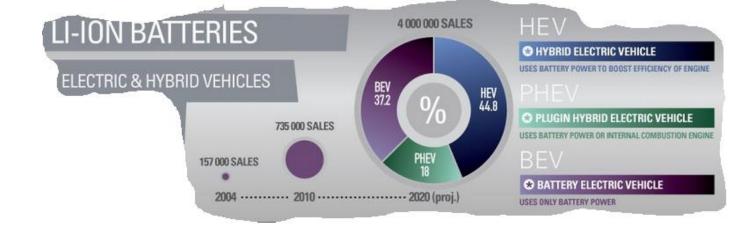
Building HVAC Energy efficiency and demand side management

✓ Electric Vehicles Li-ion Battery thermal management



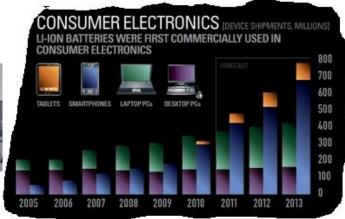






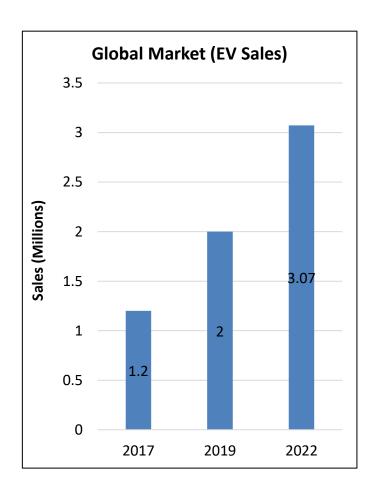
# Li-Ion Batteries: Pursuit of a Greener World





#### **Global Market (EV Sales)**

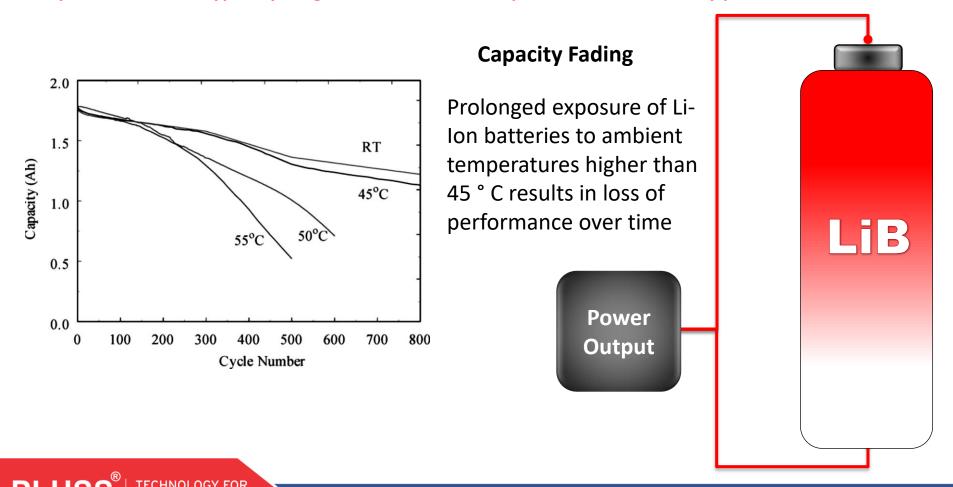
- More than 10 OEM's with more than 165 commercial models sold more than 1.2 millions electric vehicle in 2017.
- China and Europe together capture 75% of global sales. China alone sold more than 600,000 Electrical vehicles in 2017.
- With a CAGR of 20.68%, it is expected to sell more than 3 million Electrical vehicle.
- Although the growth is less than what was expected, still it is believed that 25 million Electrical vehicles will be sold by 2025.
- BY 2025, 16 OEM's target to release more than 400 commercial models.



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Since the electrochemistry of Li-Ion batteries is very temperature sensitive, an improper control of thermal conditions in battery application can result in a multitude of issues and concerns.

Depending on charge/discharge rates, ambient environment, and battery engineering, heat dissipation rates can typically range from 5 W to 100 W per commercial battery pack.

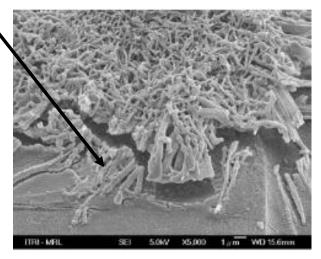


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Formation of Lithium dendrites on the battery separator



#### **Battery failure**

Moderate overcharging can lead to temperatures that cause inhomogeneity in the electrolytic composition, ultimately leading to short circuits.

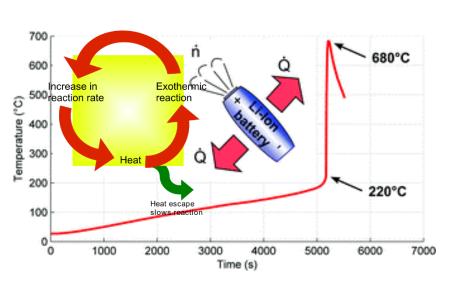




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#### Thermal runaway

Increase in reaction kinetics at higher temperatures can also sometimes lead to uncontrolled exothermic reactions within the battery, leading to accelerated heat generation and even explosion.

**Power** 

Output



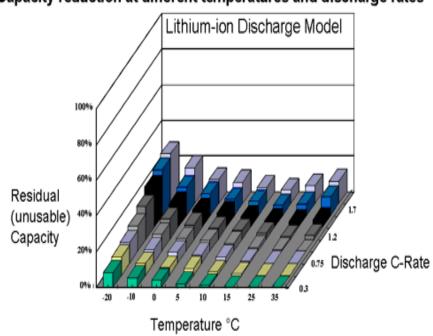
#### **Temperature Affects & Need For Thermal Management of Li-Cells**

- 1. Operation of electrochemical system
- 2. Charge acceptance
- 3. Power output
- 4. Safety and reliability
- 5. Life and life-cycle costs

We need
Thermal
Management
of Li-cells to
balance the
temperature
variations due
to:

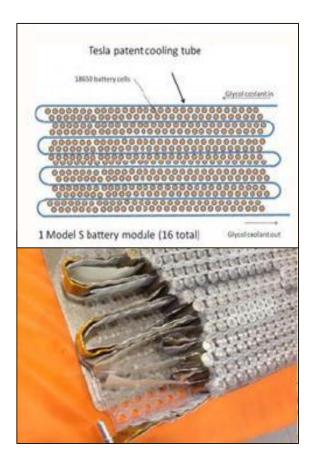
- (A) Changes in temperature
- (B) Unequal impedance distribution among cells
- (C) Difference in heat transfer efficiencies among cells

#### Capacity reduction at different temperatures and discharge rates

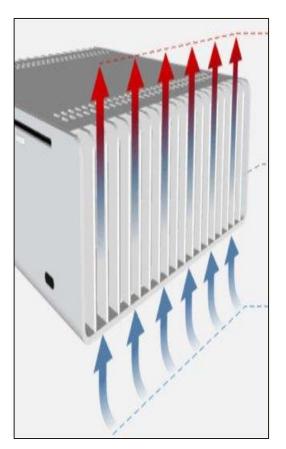


#### Methods To Control Cell Temperature

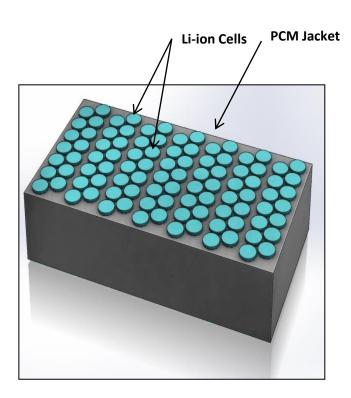
(1) Active cooling



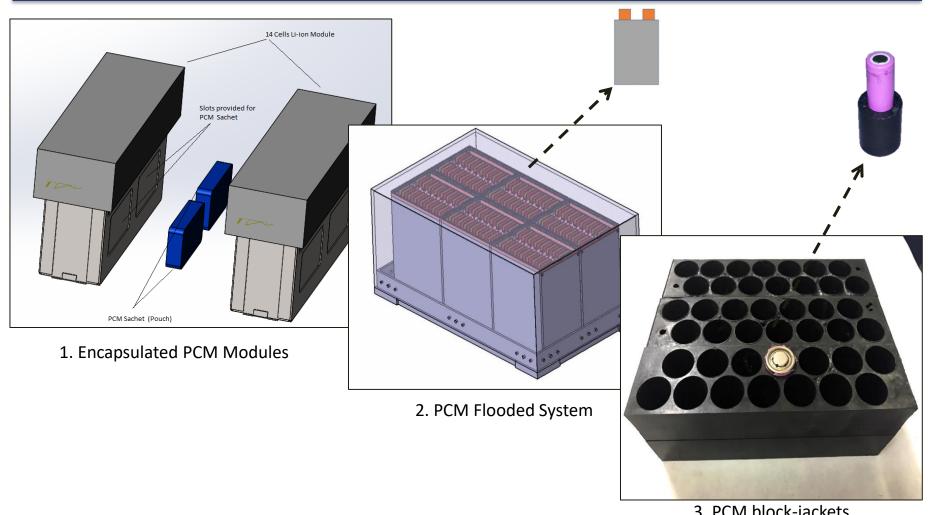
(2) Passive cooling by natural convection



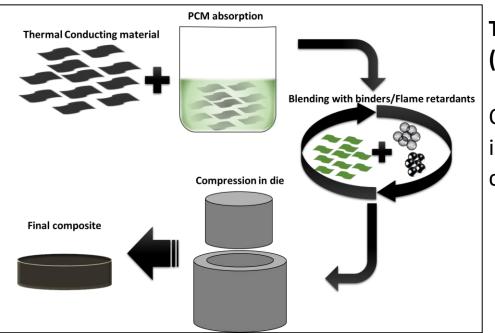
(3) Passive cooling using Phase Change Materials (PCM)



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## The Pluss Edge: Form Stable PCM (encapsulated PCM)

One of the major challenges of leakage issues of molten PCM out of the battery cabinet is resolved.





#### **Advantages of Passive Cooling Using PCM**

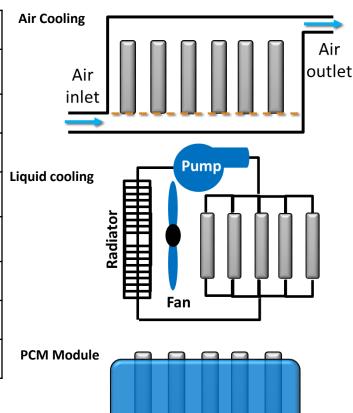
## Thermal Management of Batteries Using Passive cooling: PCM

- No moving parts such as pumps & fans.
- Lower product cost.
- Less weight and compact structure.
- No requirement for external energy.

Keeps cell in desired temperature range Minimize cell to cell temperature variation Maximize energy extraction from cell and battery Maintain battery performance Increase Lifetime by 50% Avoid need for oversizing battery packs Can be used in combination with active cooling system to reduce the capacity

#### Comparison with Conventional Cooling Techniques

Parameters	Liquid cooling	Air cooling	PCM Module			
Temperature spread control	Effective	Ineffective	Effective			
Cooling performance	High	Low	High			
System complexity	Complicated	Simple	Simple			
Space occupation in electrical vehicle	High	Moderate	Low			
Additional weight to electrical vehicle	Heavy	Light	Moderate			
Additional energy Supply	Yes	No	No			
Cost	High	Low	Moderate			
Safety	Leakage issues, no FR	Safe, no FR	Safe, has FR			



The design of the PCM module allows the setup to be retrofit into existing air-cooled systems as well.

#### Li-ion Battery Thermal Management: PCM Alternatives

#### **Organic Material PCM**

Artificially synthesize; plant based fatty acid

Better Latent heat than FS material

Low thermal conductivity

Susceptible to leakage

Has to be encapsulated as molding is not possible

#### **Form Stable PCM**

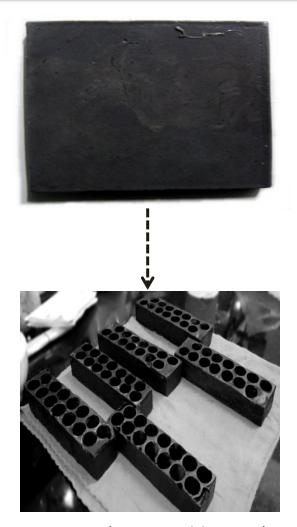
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Higher Thermal Conductivity

Leak Proof due to form stability

Moldable

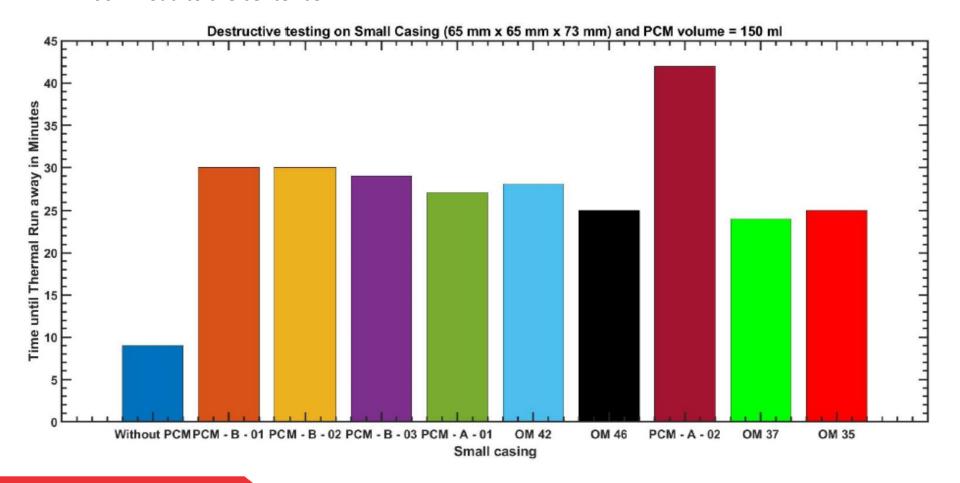


FS (Form Stable PCM)

#### **PCM OM42: Results and Observations**

#### 1. Test result for Destructive Testing

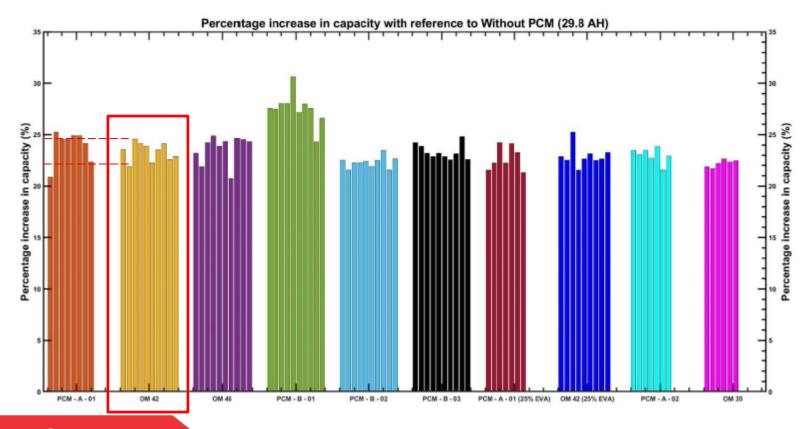
- Small casing size (65 mm x 65 mm x 73 mm).
- 9-cell arrangement.
- 100 W load to the center cell.



#### **PCM OM42 : Results and Observations**

#### 2. Performance Testing at Ambient Temperature

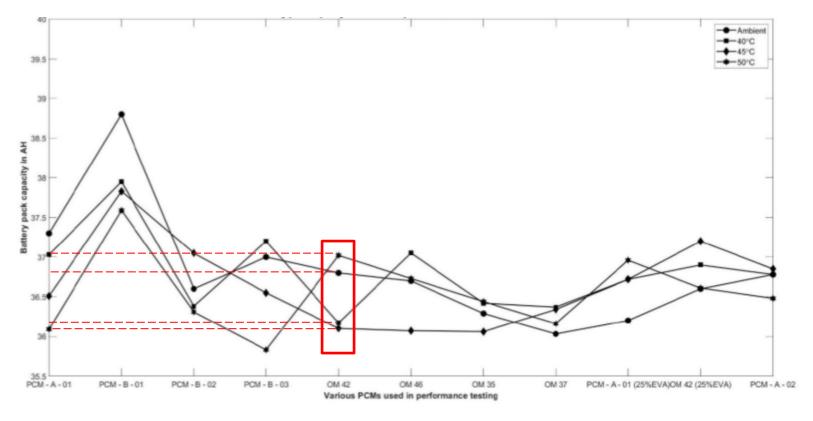
- Without PCM battery pack capacity: 29.8 Ah
- Battery discharge rate: 0.75C rate
- Battery pack is fully charged at upper cut-off limit.
- With PCM OM42, the capacity is increased by 22% 24% for the battery pack to 36.8 Ah.



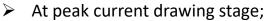
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#### 3. Performance Test at Elevated Temperatures

- Without PCM battery pack capacity: 29.8 Ah
- Battery discharge rate: 0.75C rate
- Battery pack is fully charged at upper cut-off limit.
- With PCM OM42, the capacity is increased by 24% for the battery pack to 36.8 Ah. This is the highest capacity obtained among all the four PCMs (OM35, OM37, OM42 and OM46).



Time (h:mm)	w/o PCM (°C)	∆T increase w/o PCM	w/ PCM (°C)	∆T increase w/ PCM
0:00	30.5	0	32.5	0
0:15	34.7	4.2	36.6	4.1
0:30	38	3.3	39.5	2.9
0:45	40	2	41.5	2
1:00	42.25	2.25	42.8	1.3 <sub>Phase</sub>
1:15	44.25	2	43.5	0.7 Change
1:30	46*	1.75	45	1.5 Zone
1:45	46*	0	46.25*	1.25



- Time taken to reach from 40 to 45°C w/o PCM = 27 min
- Time taken to reach from 40 to 45°C with PCM = 50 min

#### At Phase change

- The time taken to reach from 42 to  $43^{\circ}$ C w/o PCM = 6 min
- The time taken to reach from 42 to 43°C with PCM = 20 min



Experiment Parameters :-

18650 type Li-ion battery

Peak current: 20 amp

Peak voltage: 5 V

PCM phase change temperature: 42 °C

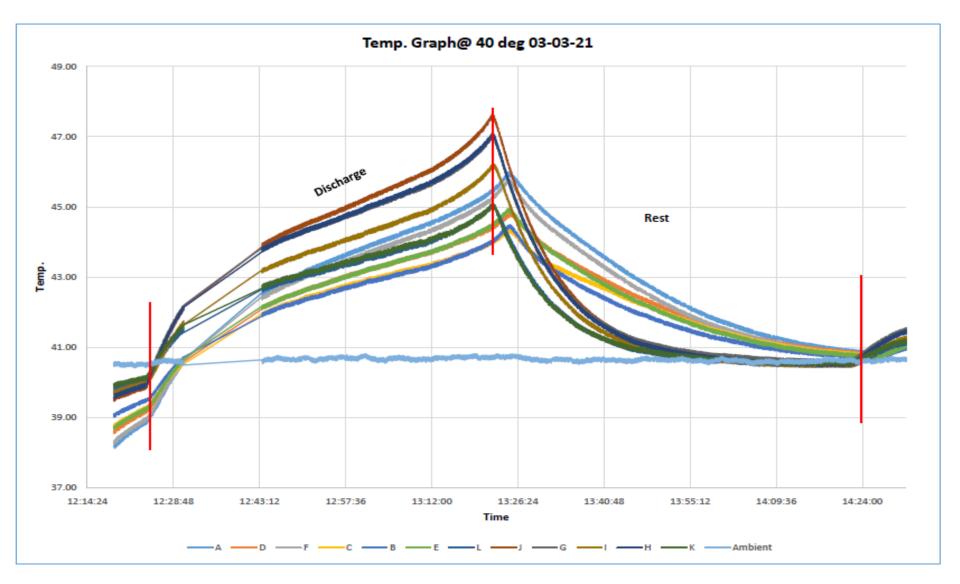
Cutoff Temperature : 50 °C

Ambient Temperature : 43 °C

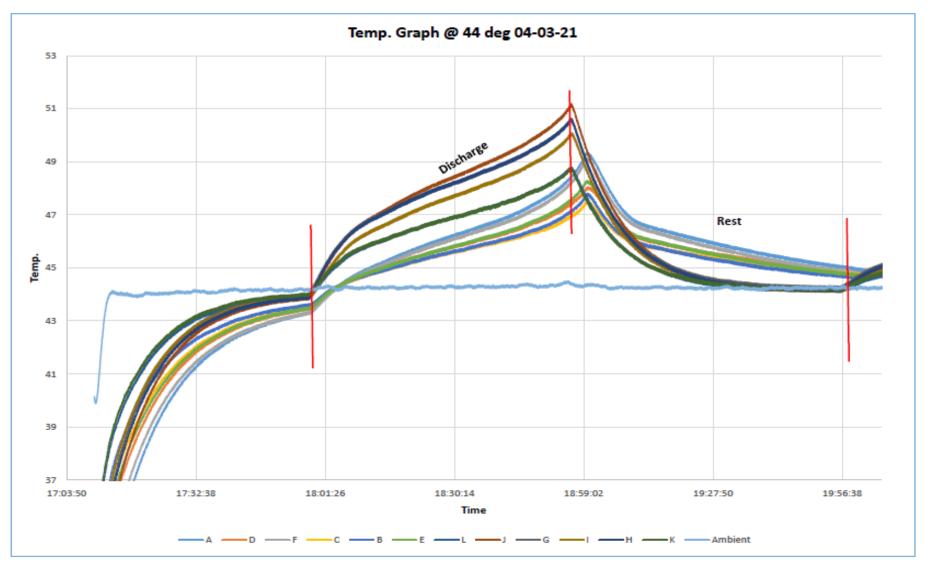


#### Parameter Settings-

- 1.CC Discharge Current & Voltage-18A 2.5V
- 2.CC-CV Charge Current & Voltage-CC9A CV0.1A 4.2V
- 3.In Between Rest Time-1 Hr
- 4. Thermal Chamber Set Temp.-44 deg
- 5. Battery Initial Temp.-44 deg



With PCM: A-F Without PCM: G-L



With PCM: A-F Without PCM: G-L

#### Summary At 40°C 03-03-21

		PCM						Without PCM					
S.No.	Items	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	- 1	J	K	L
1	Discharge Initial Temp.	39	39	39	39	39	39	40	40	40	40	40	40
2	Discharge Final Temp.	45	44	45	44	44	44	45	48	47	46	47	45
3	Temp. Diff. Discharging	7	5	6	5	5	5	5	8	7	6	7	5
4	Rise in Temp./min DSG	0.107	0.087	0.104	0.076	0.074	0.087	0.080	0.126	0.115	0.100	0.116	0.081

$$\left(\frac{dT}{dt}\right)_{\text{avg,PCM}} = 0.089$$

$$\left(\frac{dT}{dt}\right)_{\text{avg,WPCM}} = 0.103$$

Ratio = 
$$0.866$$

#### Summary At 44°C 04-03-21

		PCM					Without PCM						
S.No.	Items	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н		J	K	L
1	Discharge Initial Temp.	43	44	43	43	44	43	44	44	44	44	44	44
2	Discharge Final Temp.	48	47	48	47	47	48	49	51	51	50	51	49
3	Temp. Diff. Discharging	5	4	5	3	4	4	5	7	7	6	7	5
4	Rise in Temp./min DSG	0.084	0.064	0.081	0.056	0.058	0.068	0.078	0.119	0.109	0.100	0.111	0.079

$$\left(\frac{dT}{dt}\right)_{\text{avg,PCM}} = 0.068$$

$$\left(\frac{dT}{dt}\right)_{\text{avg,WPCM}} = 0.099$$

Ratio = 
$$0.688$$

#### TECHNICAL DATA SHEET OF EV47

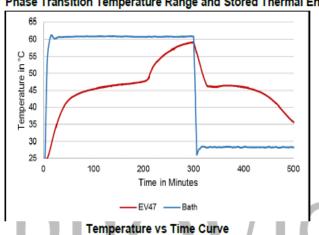
#### **Technical Specification:**

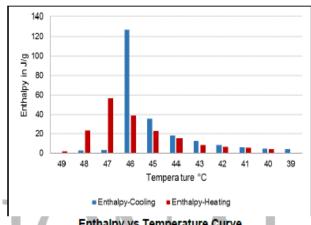
EV Battery Composite Material EV47 Product

Description Form Stable Phase Change Material – PCM embedded in polymer matrix

Black Solid @ 250C Appearance

#### Phase Transition Temperature Range and Stored Thermal Energy\*





#### Property

Phase Transition Temperature

Melting Freezing

Latent Heat/Enthalpy

Melting

Freezing Density

Solid

Specific Heat Liquid

Solid

Thermal Conductivity

Solid

Maximum Operating Temperature Nail Penetration Test Flash Point

Value\*\*

47°C 46°C

> 185 kJ/kg 225 kJ/kg

1068 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

3.24 kJ/kgK 2.41 kJ/kgK

0.93 W/mK

90°C Pass 200°C **Enthalpy vs Temperature Curve** 

@ 60°C Air Bath

@ 28°C Air Bath

@ 39 to 49°C

@ 39 to 49°C

Test Conditions (if any)

#### Test Method

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ASTM D891-95

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Hot Disc Method

@ 55°C @ 30°C

@ 20°C

@ 23°C

#### **Innovation Benefits**

#### Energy savings per annum

- Usable battery capacity: Eliminate capacity fade;
   5% to 15% per cycle saved in new batteries
- Energy utilized by thermal management system –
   Passive cooling technology eliminates energy for
   conventional thermal management; 20% of the
   battery energy saved per cycle

#### GHG savings per annum

 Better Thermal management increases battery life by 5 to 7 years(~75%); GHG emission towards replacement of batteries can be reduced by 50%

#### Cost savings

- 75% Capital cost saving Active cooling system is 20% of the cost of battery pack while PCM based cooling system would be only 5% of the battery pack
- 15% Operating cost savings In comparison of no thermal management system or conventional heat sink, PCM based battery pack improves operating cost by 7 to 15%, while adding minimal fuel costs due to light weight designs

#### **Innovation Benefits**

## Technology benefits

The form stable PCM accommodates very little space, is customizable to battery and EV specs, and is retrofittable.

The additional weight added to electrical vehicle is relatively very low compared to conventional cooling systems.

The flexible process design also allows us to tailor the thermal management module to cater a large variety of applications, such as solar panels & co-generation.

### Environmental benefits

Form stable PCM can be considered as utmost critical component as it is targeted to protect the batteries from explosions or thermal runaway situations in electrical vehicles.

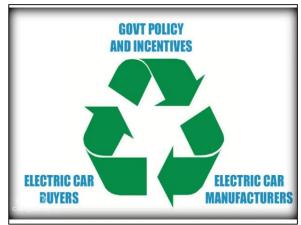
**Energy and GHG savings** 

Lower CAPEX and OPEX of module would facilitate growth of affordable commercial EV technologies

Technology can be scaled to be implementable in a variety of other applications that employ Lilon batteries, such as microgrid applications, server farms and data centers.

#### **Challenges in India**

- Harsh ambient conditions (45°C temperature).
- Demand of electricity is more than supply.
- Less Incentives by Govt. to make EV more lucrative.
- Domestic battery supply (make in India needs to be promoted).
- Infrastructure.
- Dealer Reluctance.





#### **PARTNERSHIPS**

#### National Centre of Cold Chain Development

NCCD is an autonomous body established by the Government of India with an agenda to positively impact and promote the development of the cold-chain sector in the country.



#### India Energy Storage Alliance

IESA was launched in 2012 to help technology and system integration companies involved in energy storage and microgrids to understand and capture the opportunities in the growing markets.



#### Reichs-Ausschuss für Lieferbedingungen (RAL)

Several active PCM enterprises formed the Quality Association PCM in 2004 to develop proper quality assurance procedures.



#### Clean Energy Access Network (CLEAN)

CLEAN is an all India representative organization launched in 2014 with a clear mandate to support, unify and grow the decentralized clean energy sector in India.



#### AWARDS AND KEY RECOGNITIONS



Top 5 innovators under the India Innovation Growth Program



MiraCradle™ included in the WHO Compendium of Innovative Health Technologies



Cold Chain Innovation of the year 2016 for Celsure™



CII Innovation Award 2014 – Most Innovative MSME Company



MIT Innovators under 35, India



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able to maintain the optimal rate or level to meet the needs of the present without compromising the needs of future generations, the PLUSS way.