

Mechanical Constriction Design for Advanced Performance of Solid State Batteries

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Abstract

All-solid-state battery system poses new challenges to the battery design due to the unique solid-solid interfaces at battery cathode and anode. However, these interfaces, upon critical understanding and design, also form the new opportunity to achieve battery performances beyond the commercial liquid electrolyte Li-ion batteries. We design the lithium metal anode solid state batteries by our unique mechanical constriction principle, making a more stable cycling at high current densities.

