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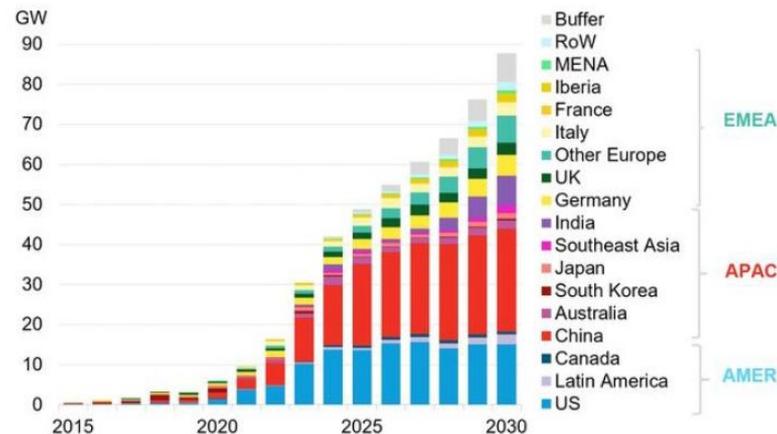
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508GW/
1,432GWh

Global cumulative capacity by the end of 2030

Global gross energy storage capacity additions by key market



Source: BloombergNEF

Note: MENA = Middle East and North Africa. EMEA = Europe, Middle East and Africa. APAC = Asia Pacific. AMER = Americas. Countries ordered by regional group. Buffer = headroom not explicitly allocated to an application. RoW = rest of the world.

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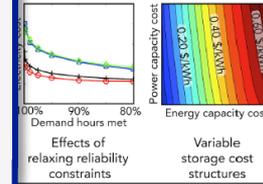
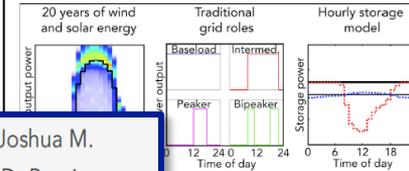


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HIGHLIGHTS
Model of renewables with storage in 4 locations over 20 years with hourly resolution

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Meeting demand with other sources during 5% of hours can halve electricity costs

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- Li-Ion batteries portable/dense but only for <10hrs
- Ultimately, **all current storage technology are way far from the \$20/kWh threshold**

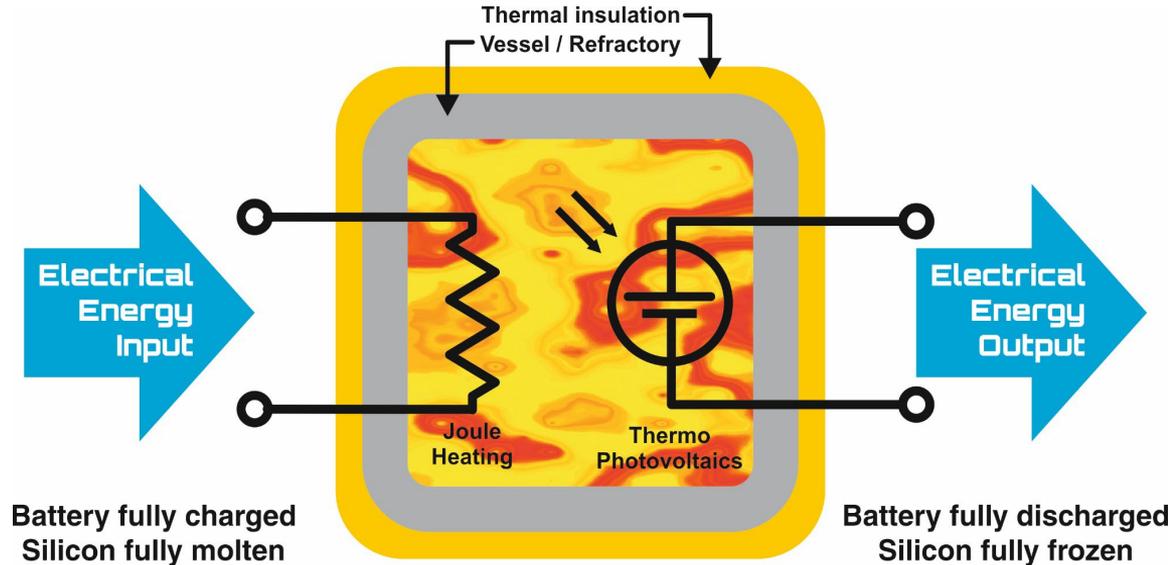


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Electricity stored as Latent Heat in melting Silicon and withdrawn through TPV



Operation at constant temperature, 1414C, the melting temperature of Silicon

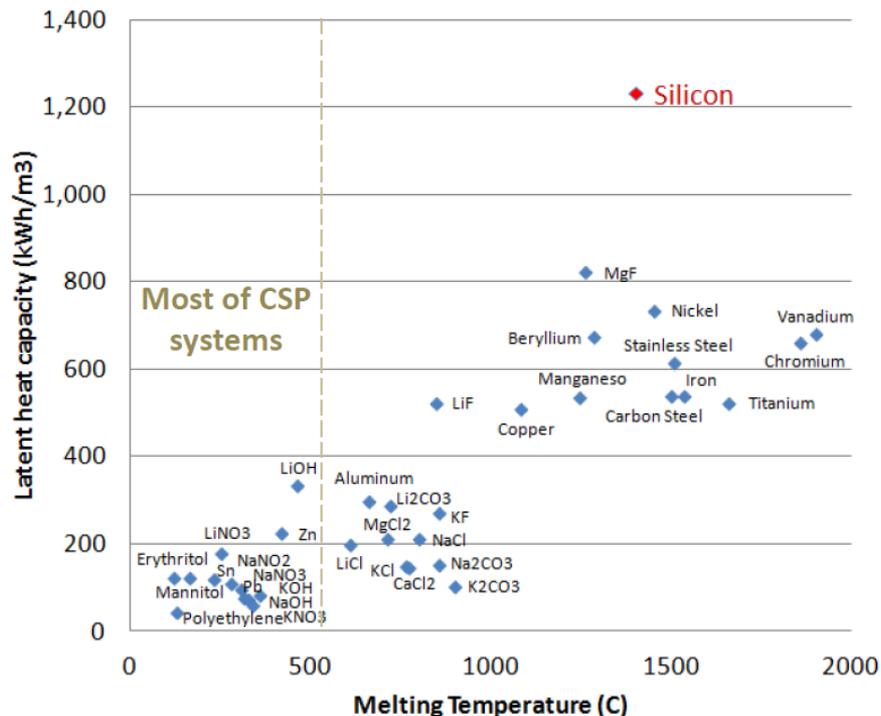
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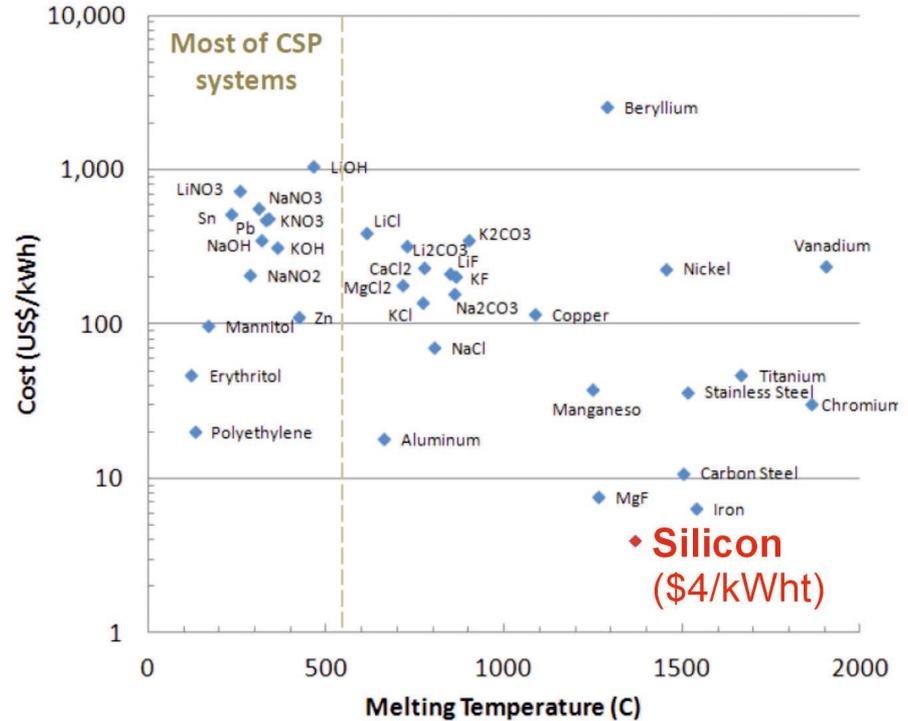
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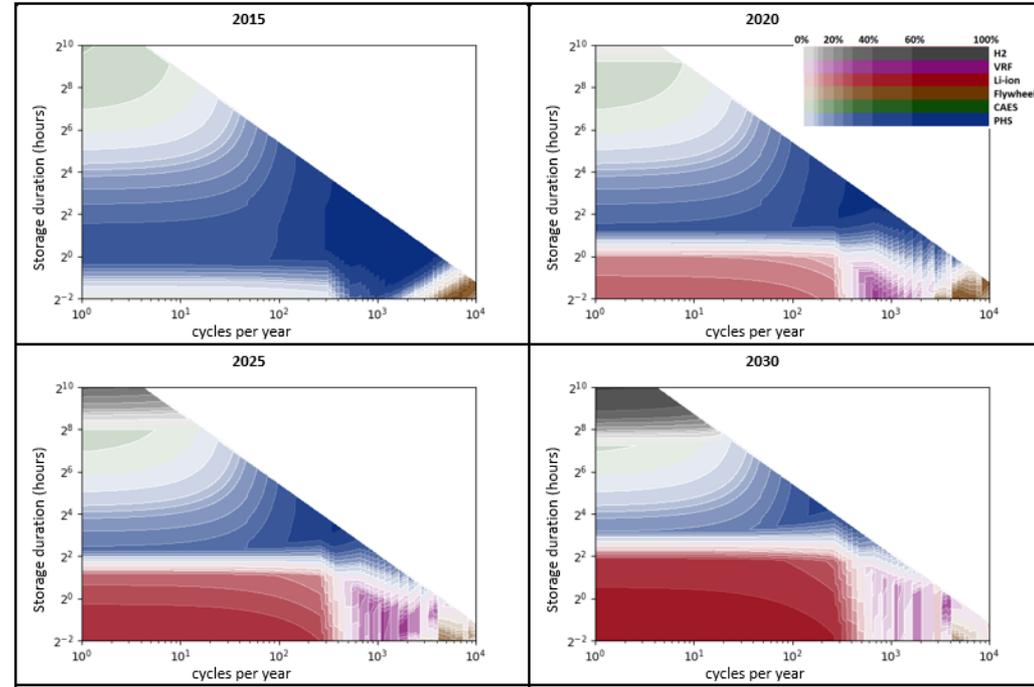
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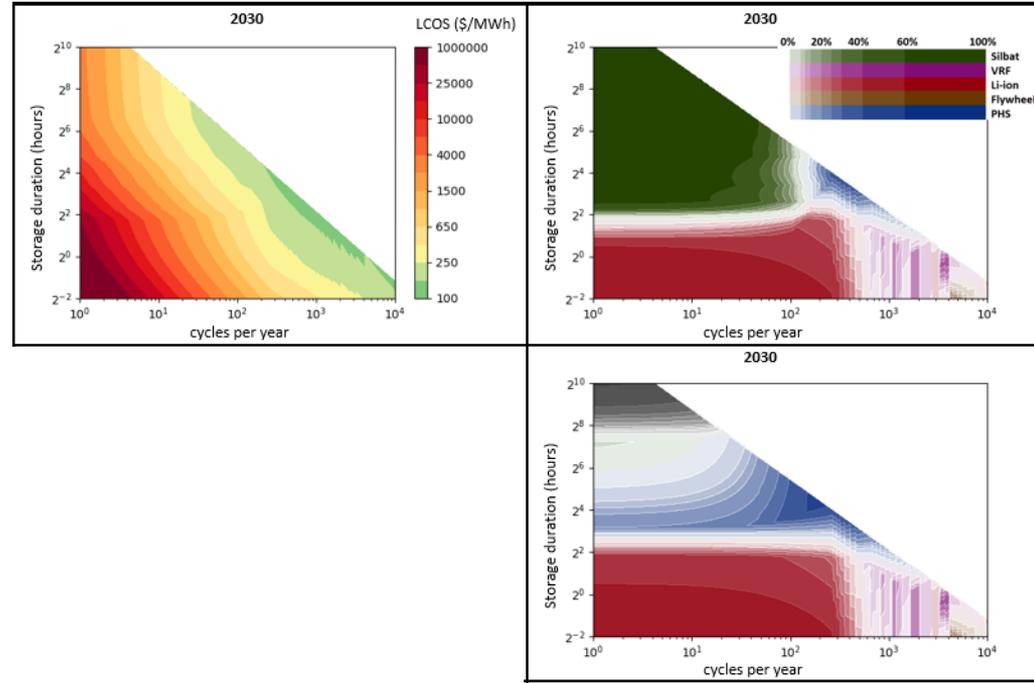
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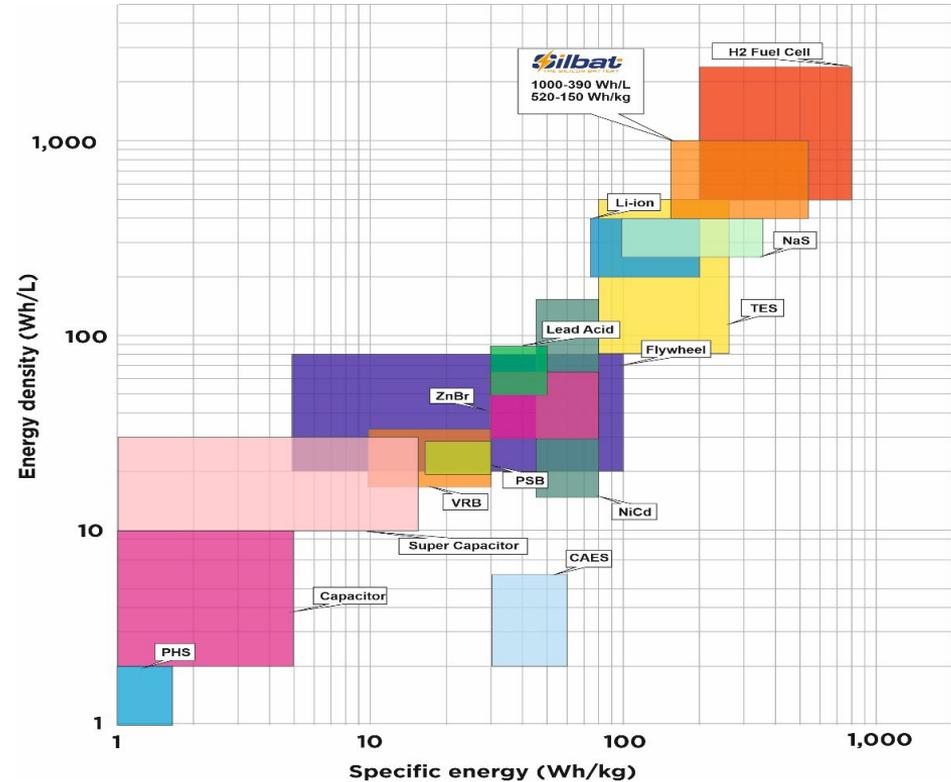
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Silent Operation & Quick Start

Solid-state conversion and
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vs. Li-Ion ~5-10yrs. life-time



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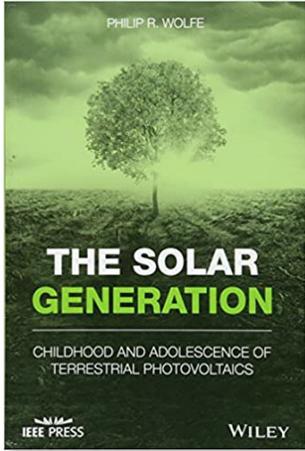


Highly Abundant & Widely Found Raw Meterials

>1000X more than Li-Co-Ni-Mn
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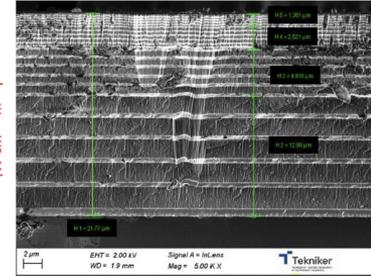
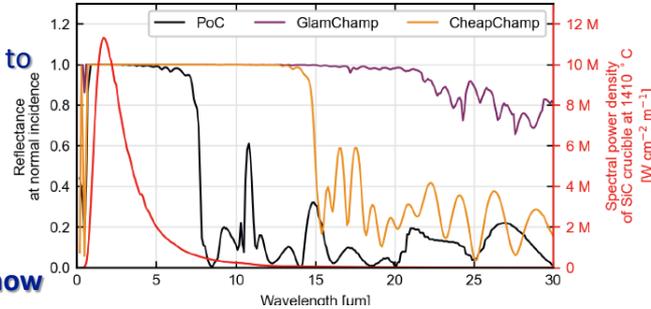
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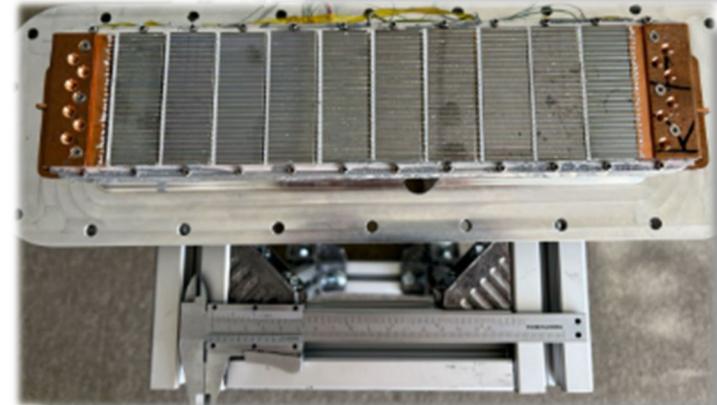
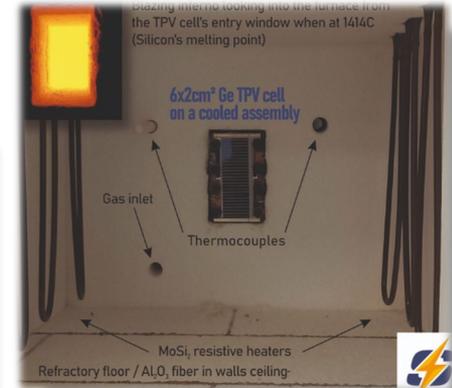
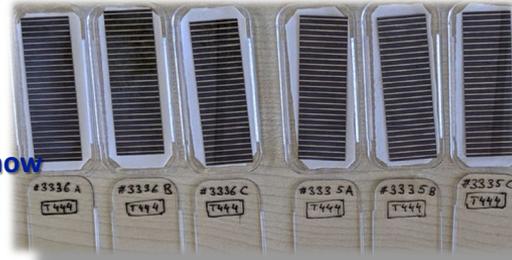
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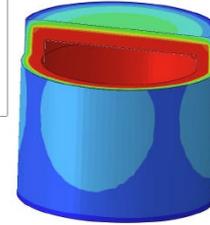
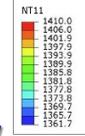
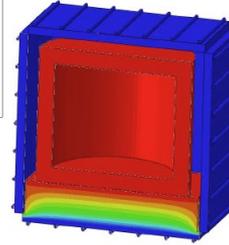
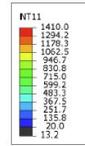
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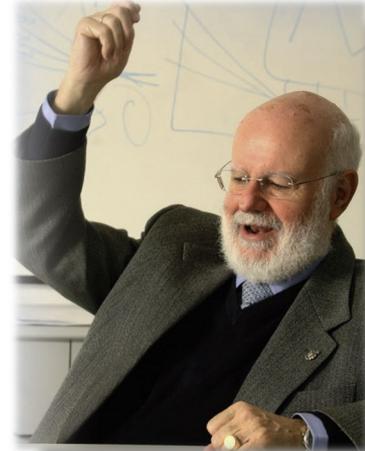
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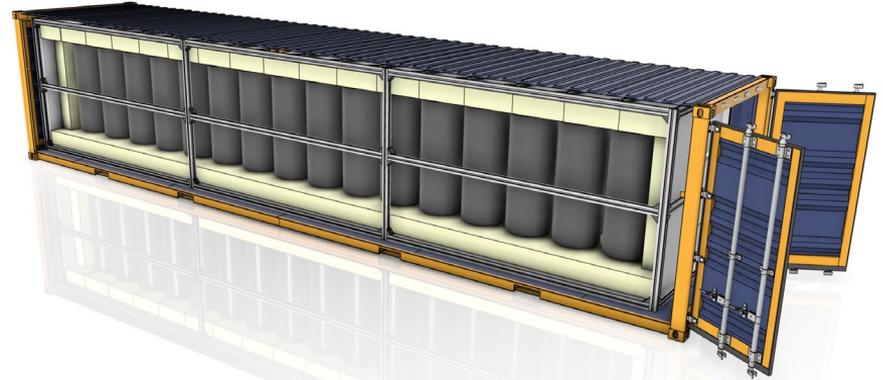


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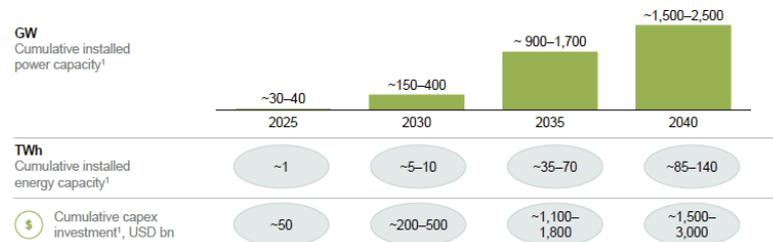
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- Our plans are to be in the market by 2026

- According to McKinsey, by 2030 LDES will have a cumulative market of \$200-500bn

LDES total addressable market and cumulative capex investment by year



Partnering with Korea!



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○ Technology & industrial partners

- Thin film coatings
- Sputter deposition
- MOCVD
- PV cell manufacturing
- Power electronics assemblies
- Refractories (SiC, graphite)
- Thermal insulators
- Metal grade silicon feedstock



○ Funding in our next rounds



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