

Thermal Runaway Severity Testing and Ranking

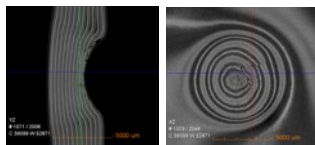
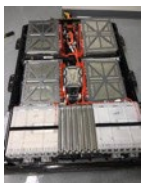
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Battery Pack

Battery Modules

Battery Cells

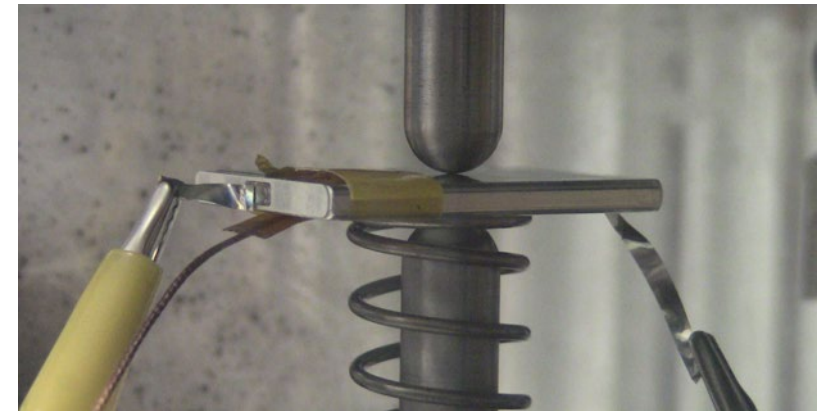
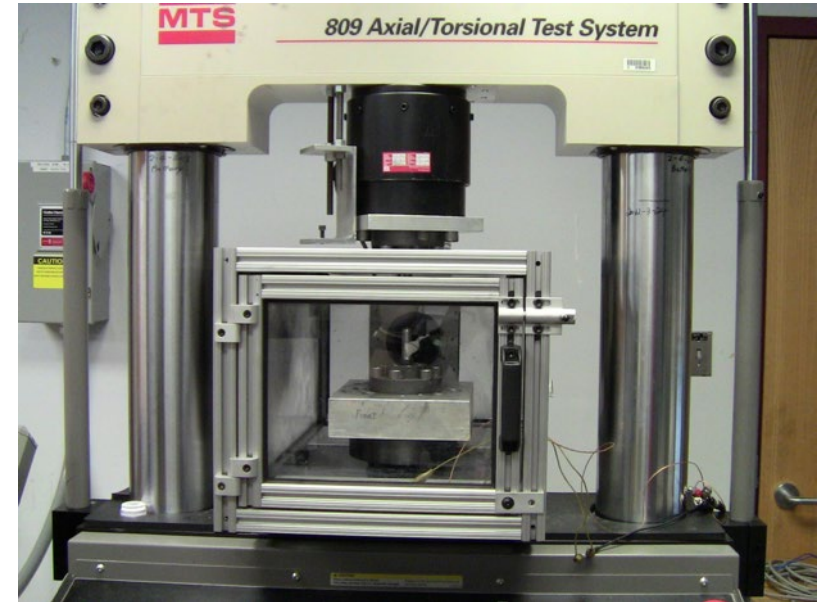
XCT: Indented Battery



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Thermal Runaway: Mechanically Induced Short Circuit

- **Simulated Internal short-circuit: small size, repeatable**
 - Nail penetration
 - Single-side indentation
 - Pinch test (two indenters)
 - Pinch-torsion, indent-torsion
- **Real-time Monitoring:**
 - Load, displacement, V_{OC} and temperature
- **Post-mortem Examination:**
 - X-ray computed tomography (XCT)
 - Open cell examination
- **Goal:** Develop a database to rank/predict hazard severity



Single-Cell Thermal Runaway Testing at ORNL

1998
DOE VTO HTML
User Project



Motorola Door-Knob Test

Cellphone Batteries

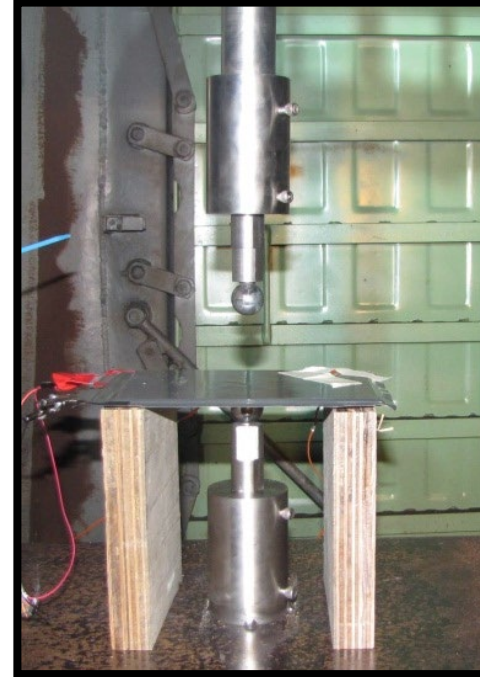
2003
ORNL LDRD



Pinch Test

Capacity < 4 Ah

2010
DOE VTO, ARPA-E
NSWC-Carderock



Pinch-torsion Test

18-24 Ah Pouch Cells

2014-2022
DOE VTO/NHTSA
DOE OE



Standard Small Indentation

33 Ah Pouch Cells

Industry Partners: Motorola, General Motor, A123, Farasis Energy, FORD, UL, Soteria

Li-ion Cells: Disassembled EVs and Commercial Sources

Large-format Prismatic Cells Tested at ORNL and Sandia



2017 Chevy VOLT (26 Ah)



2013 Nissan Leaf (33 Ah)



Commercial NMC Cells (10 Ah)



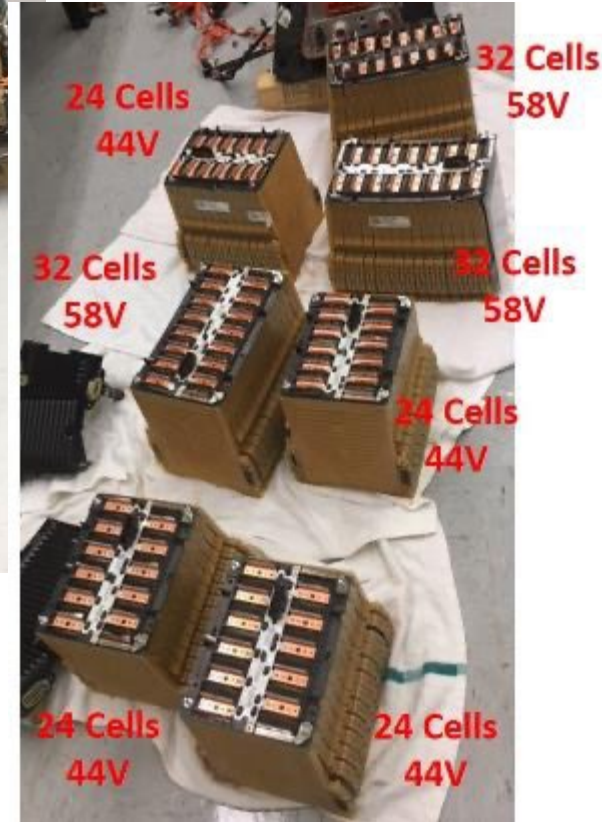
Commercial LFP Cells (10 Ah)



10 NMC Cells (5 SOC x 2) after Testing
Left to right: 0% SOC -> 100% SOC

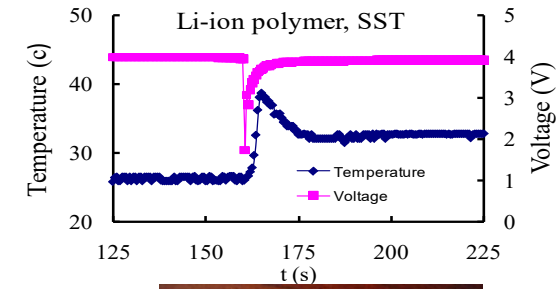
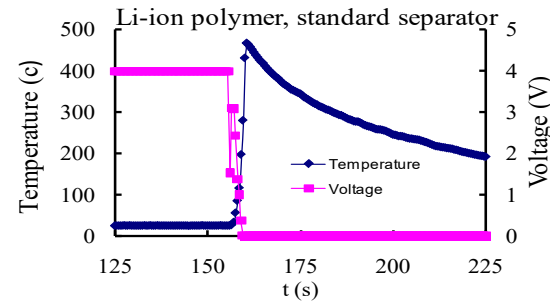
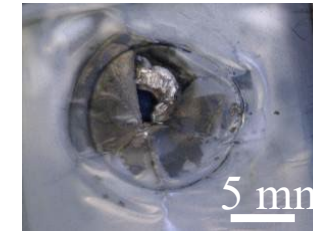
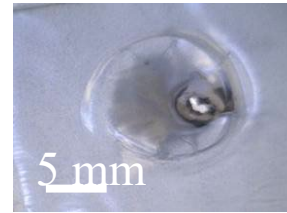
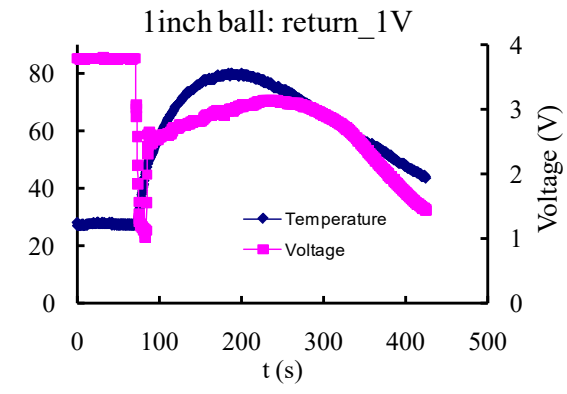
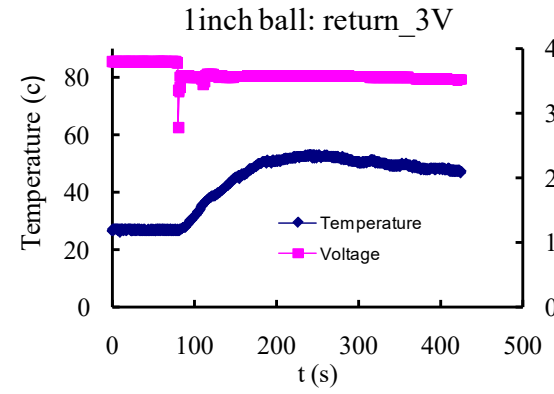
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Extracting Li-ion Cells from Electrical Vehicles (Chevy VOLT, Nissan Leaf and FORD Focus EV)

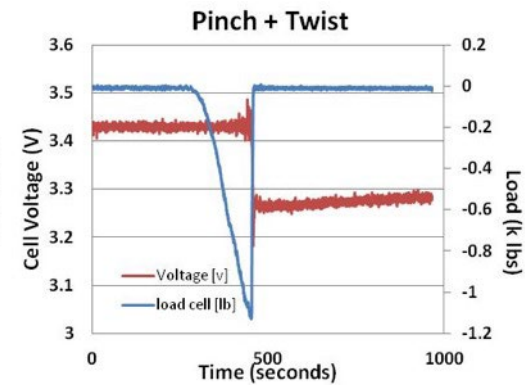
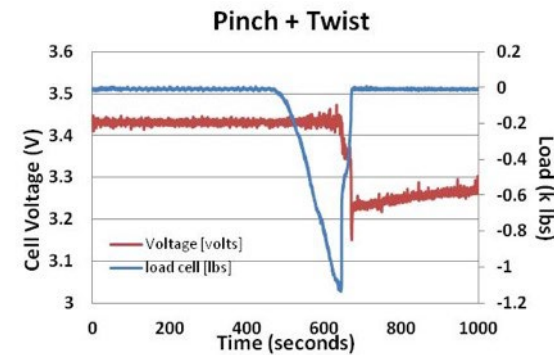
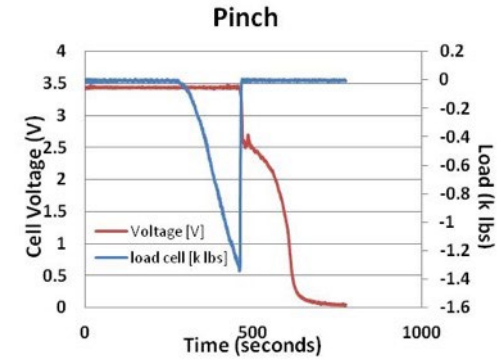
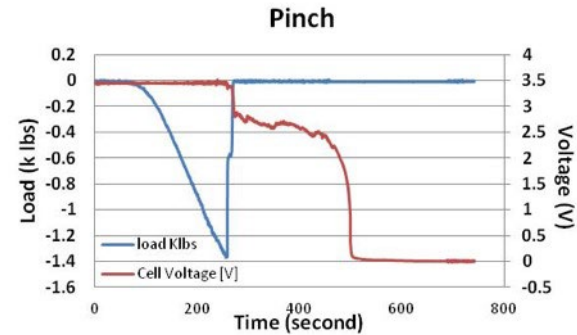
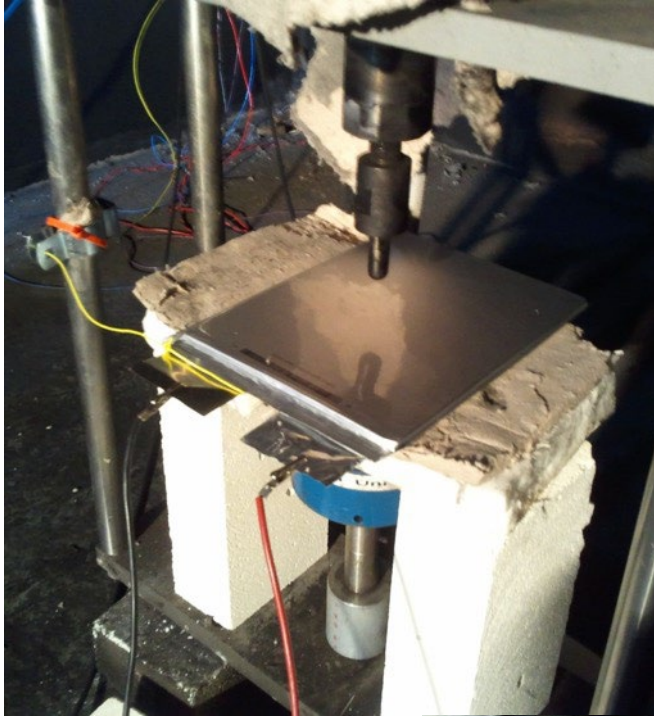


Internal Short Circuit Simulation: Mechanically Induced Short Circuit

Simulate Short Circuit Inside the Cell

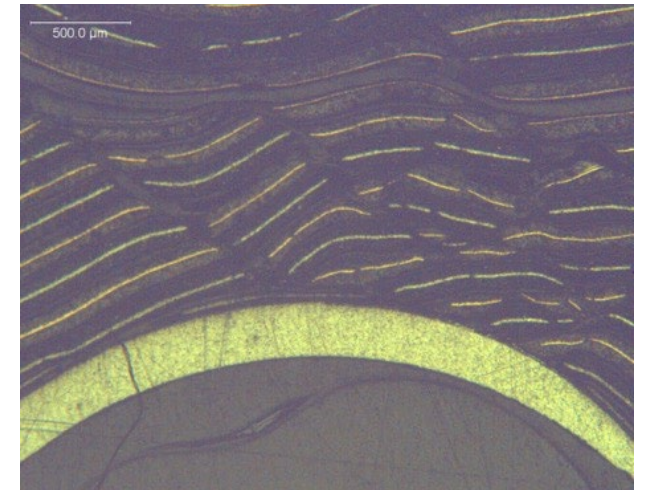
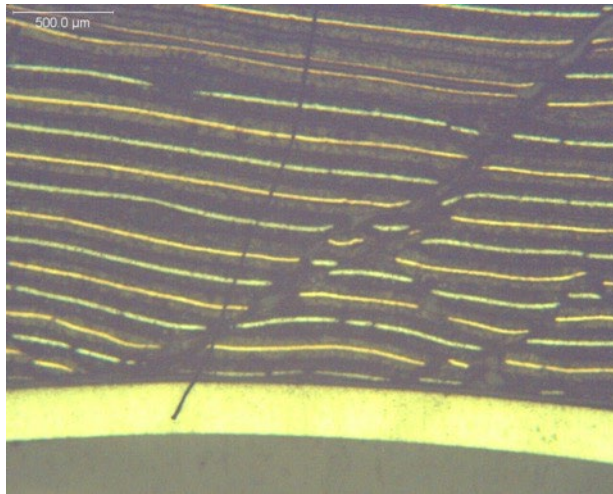
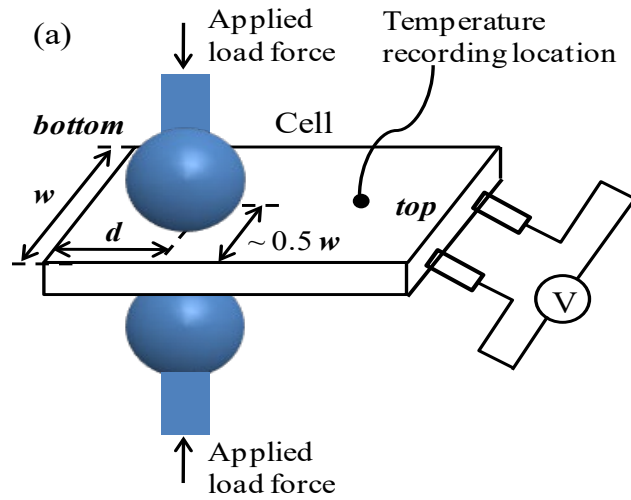


Pinch Tests vs. Pinch/Torsion Tests



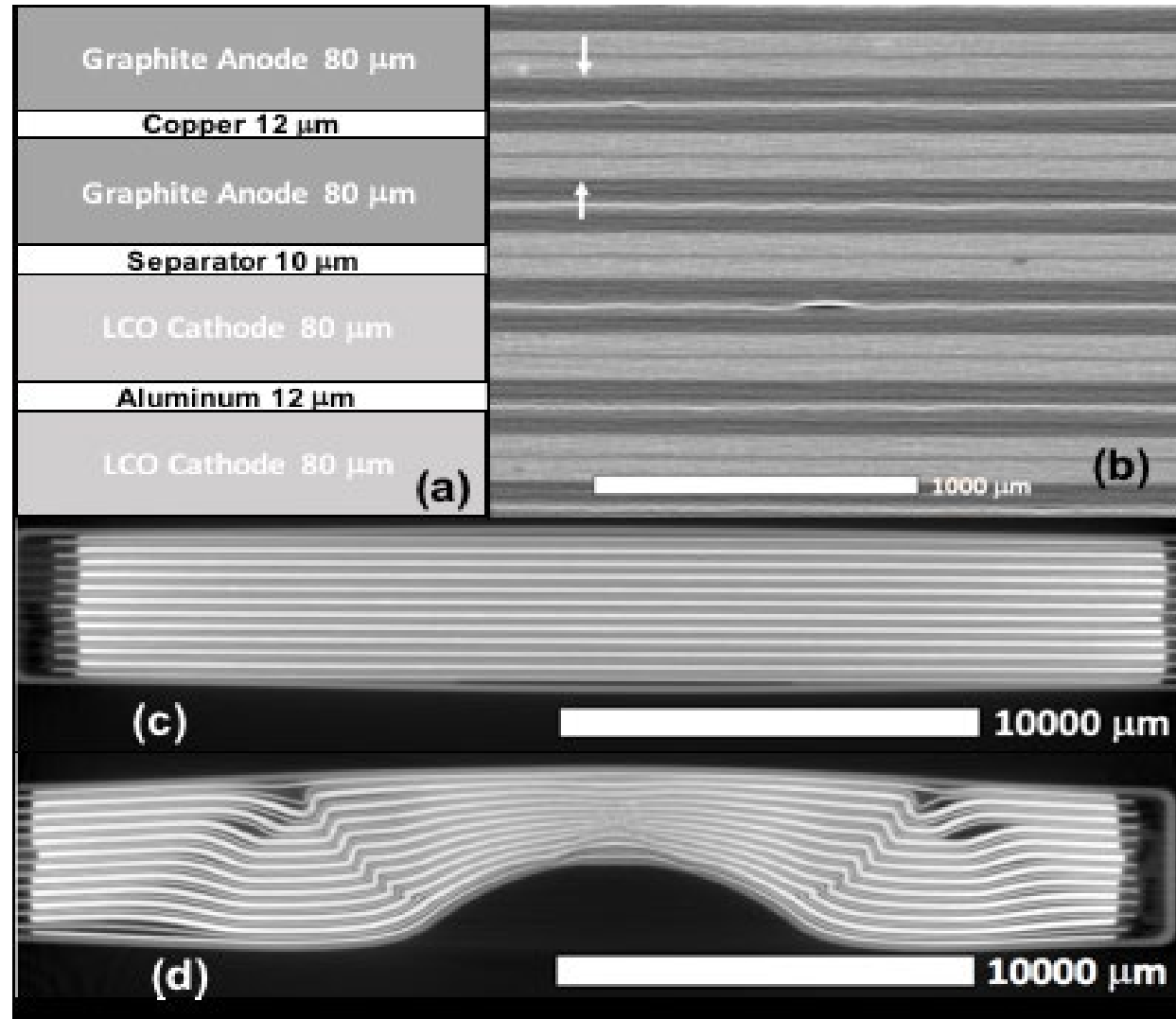
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Pinch Tests and Deformation of Layers

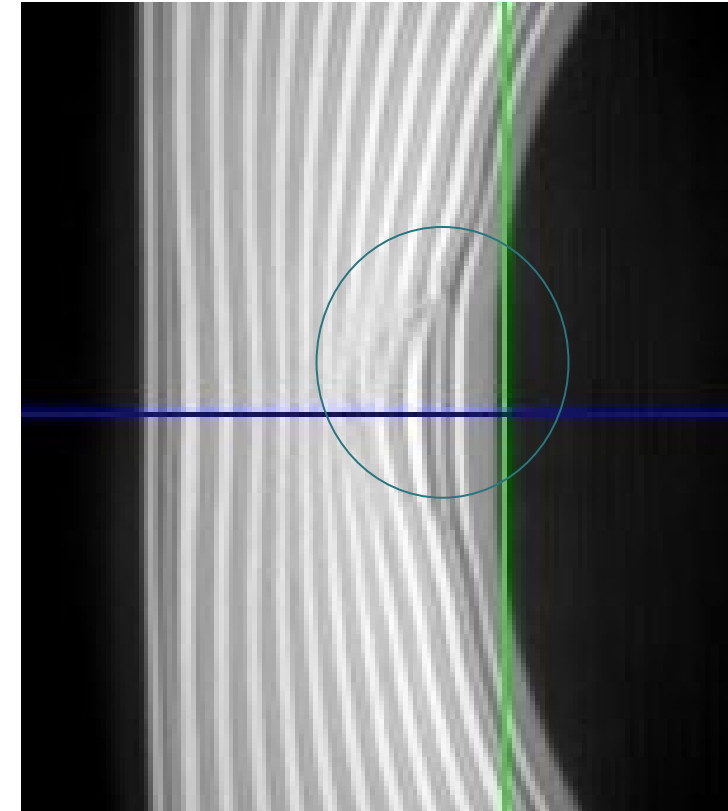
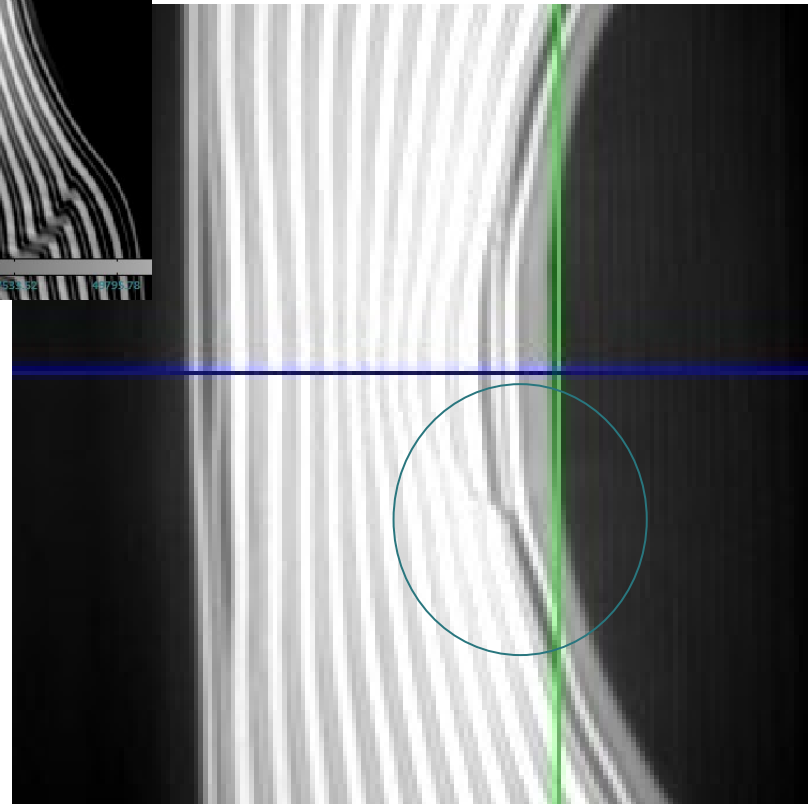
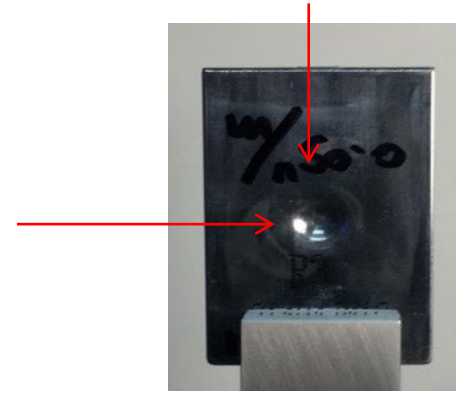
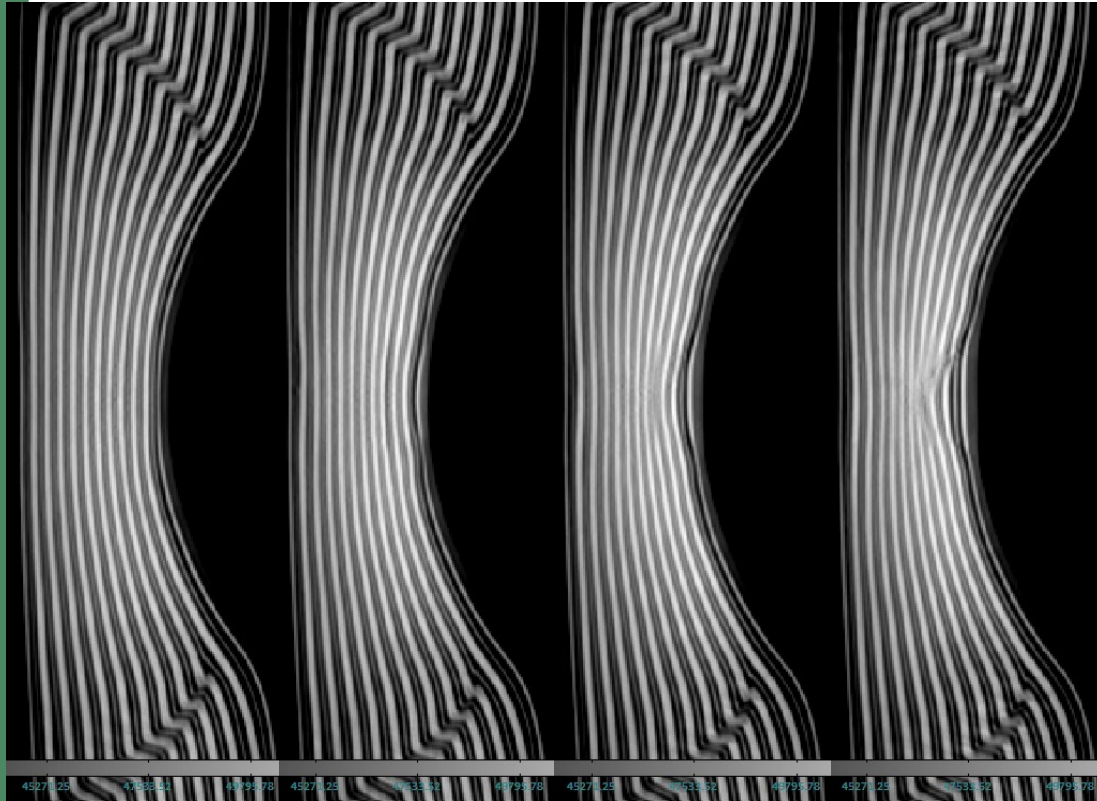


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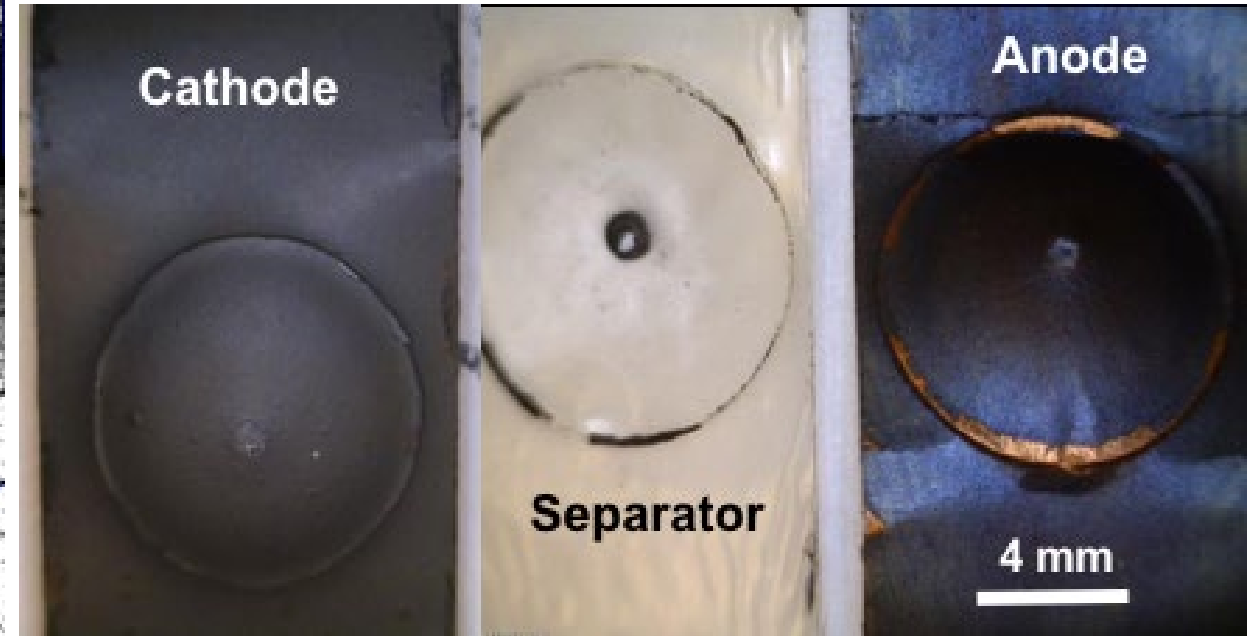
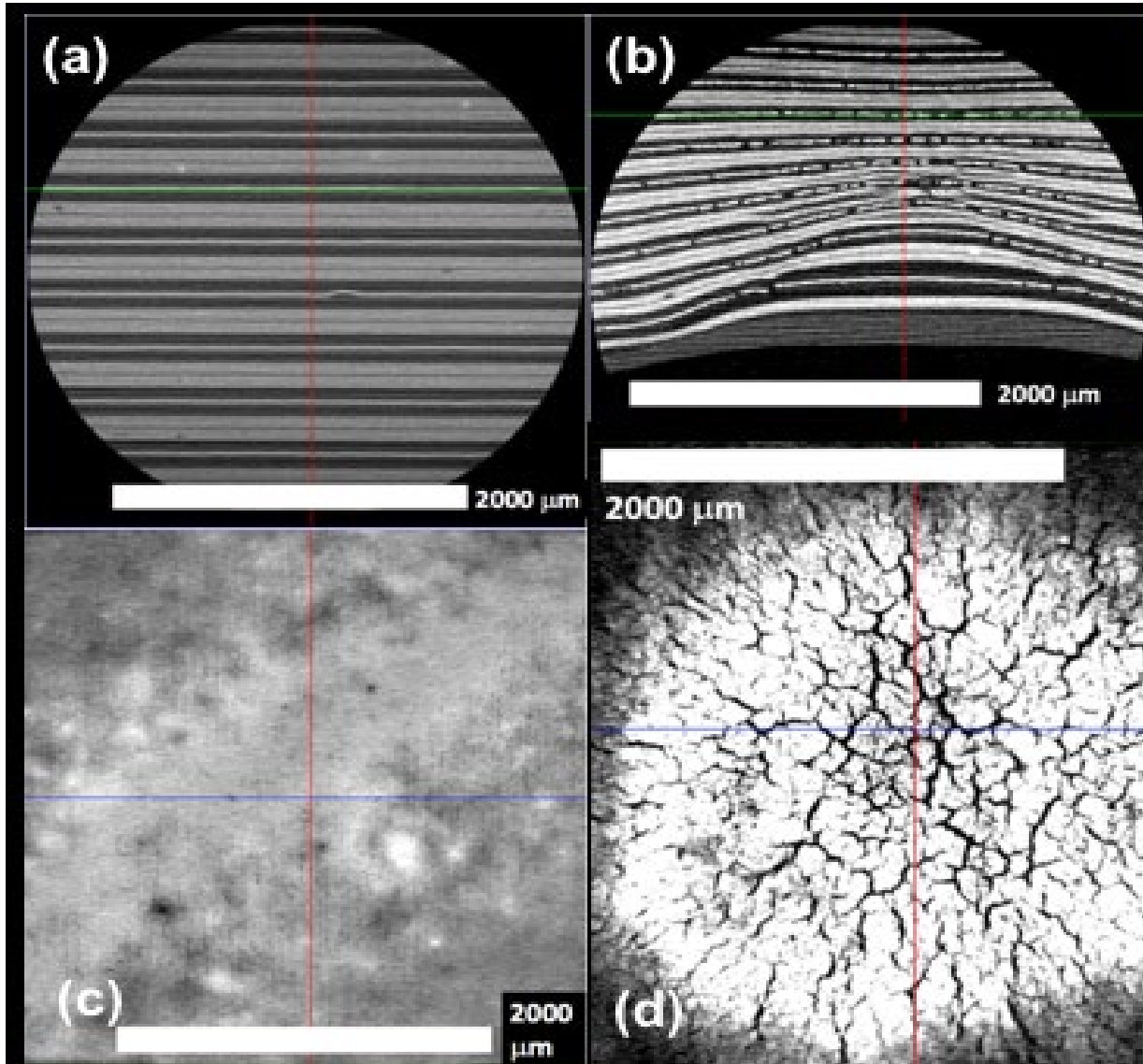
Cell Internal Structures under Spherical Indentation - XCT



Tomography Images Across the Cell: Internal Short Circuit



XCT Showed Mud-cracks in Copper Current Collectors

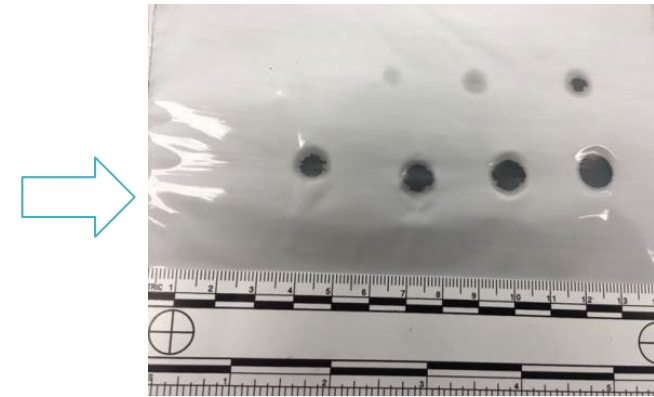


The Origin of Mechanically Induced Short Circuit

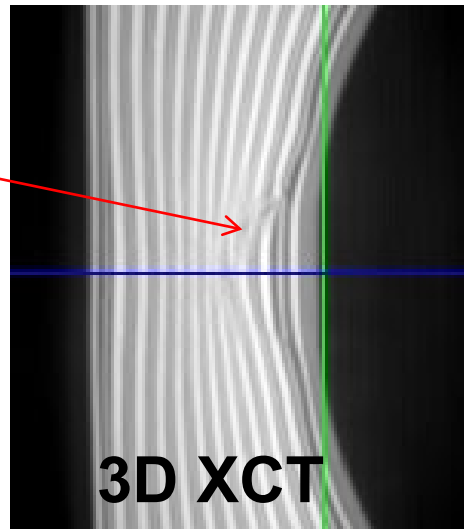
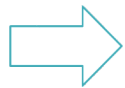
Progressive Indentation



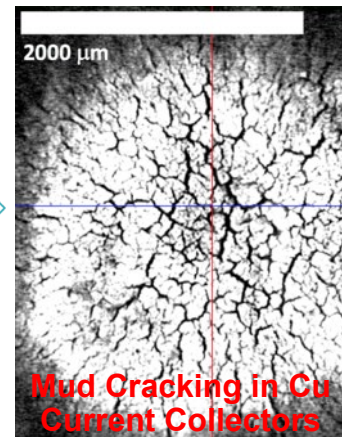
Separator Failure



Through Layer Failure



X-ray Tomography



Failure Origin:

- ☒ Separator Failure
- ☒ Anode Failure
- ✓ Cathode Failure

Thermal Runaway Severity Safety Database

Project Goal: Develop a thermal runaway database to rank/predict hazard severity

Updated ORNL-Sandia Test Procedures and Standards

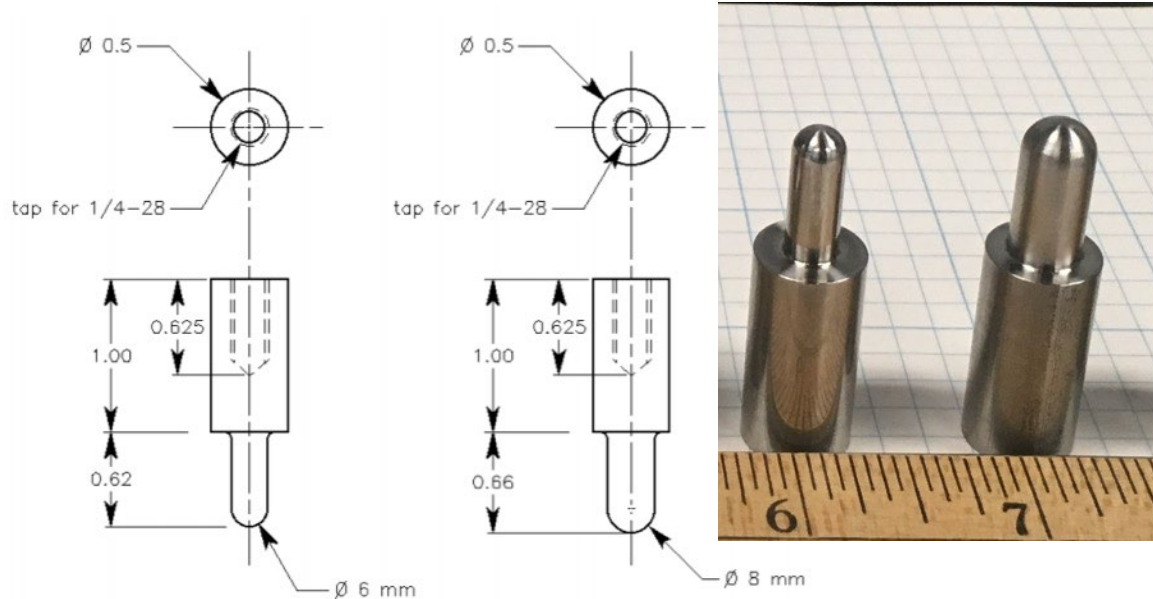
Internal Short-circuit Induced Thermal Runaway

- **Mechanical abuse (indentation)**

Updated Test Protocols:

- Cycle cell 3-5 times at C/2 between 3.0-4.2V to determine SOC and discharge to test SOC
- Hydraulic or servo-motor driven load frame
- 6 mm punch (most sensitive, small contact)
- 0.05 inch per minute compressive loading
- 25 mV V_{oc} drop
- Hold the punch after short circuit
- Temperature measurement:
 - 5 mm from the indenter
 - At cell corners when possible

**Thermocouple
Locations on
Large-format
Cells**

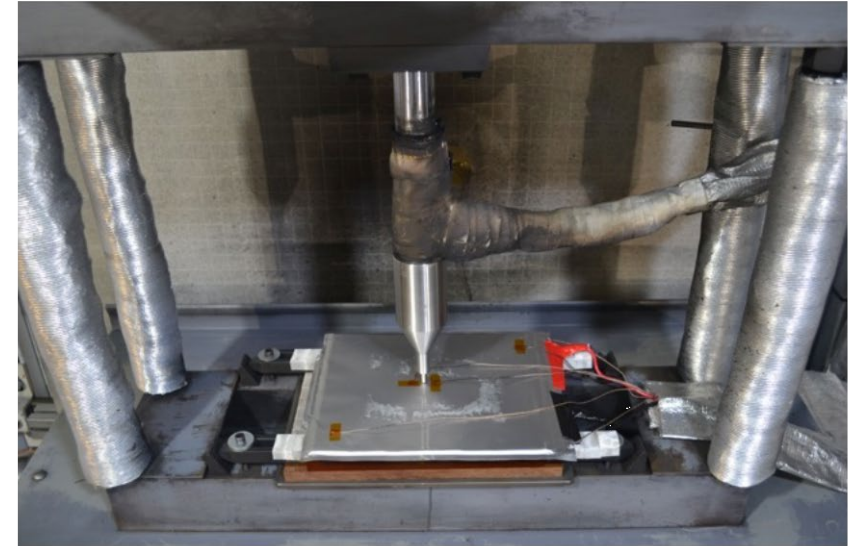
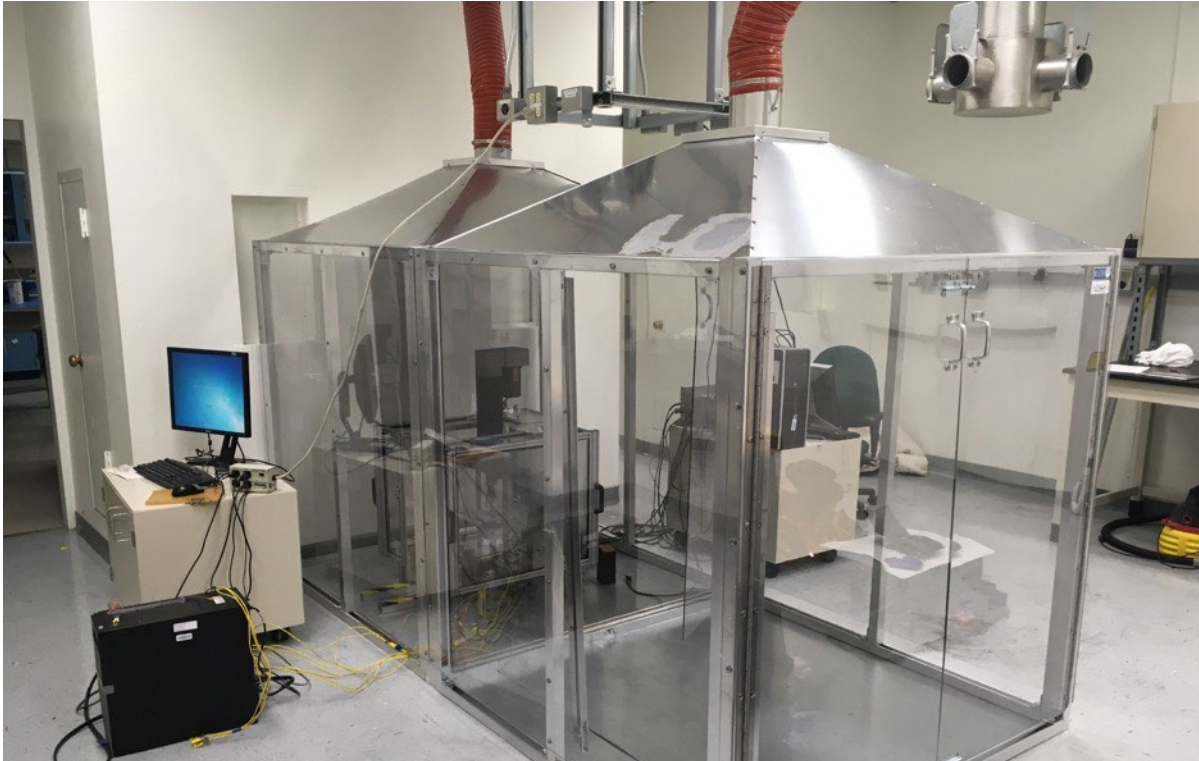


Punches for Battery Testing		
ELC-2019.03.001		Scale: 1.5:1
Dimensions: inches (unless otherwise specified)		Material: stainless steel
Make four (4) pieces of each		
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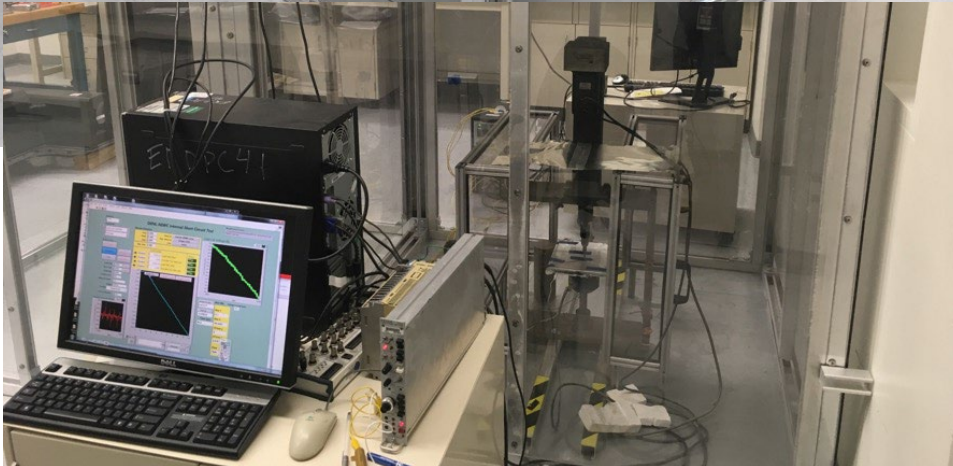
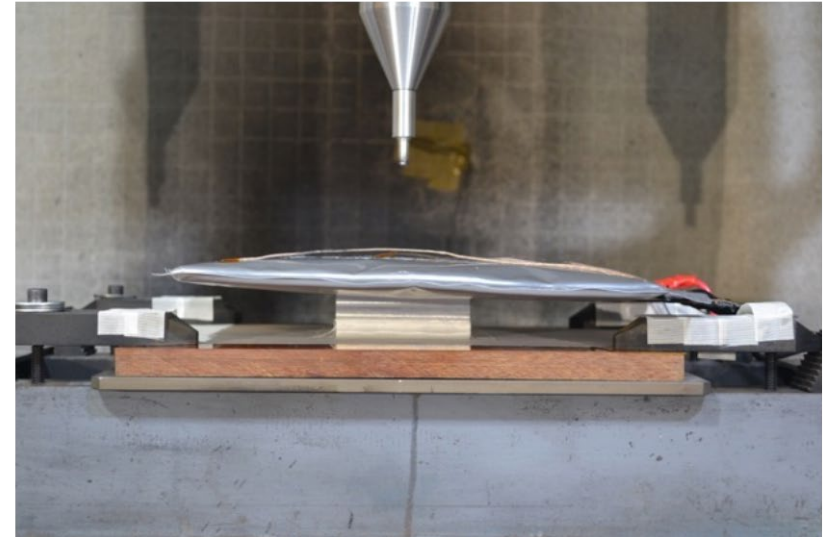
**Select the most sensitive
test to allow safety risk
ranking**

ORNL and Sandia Testing Facility: Large Format Cells

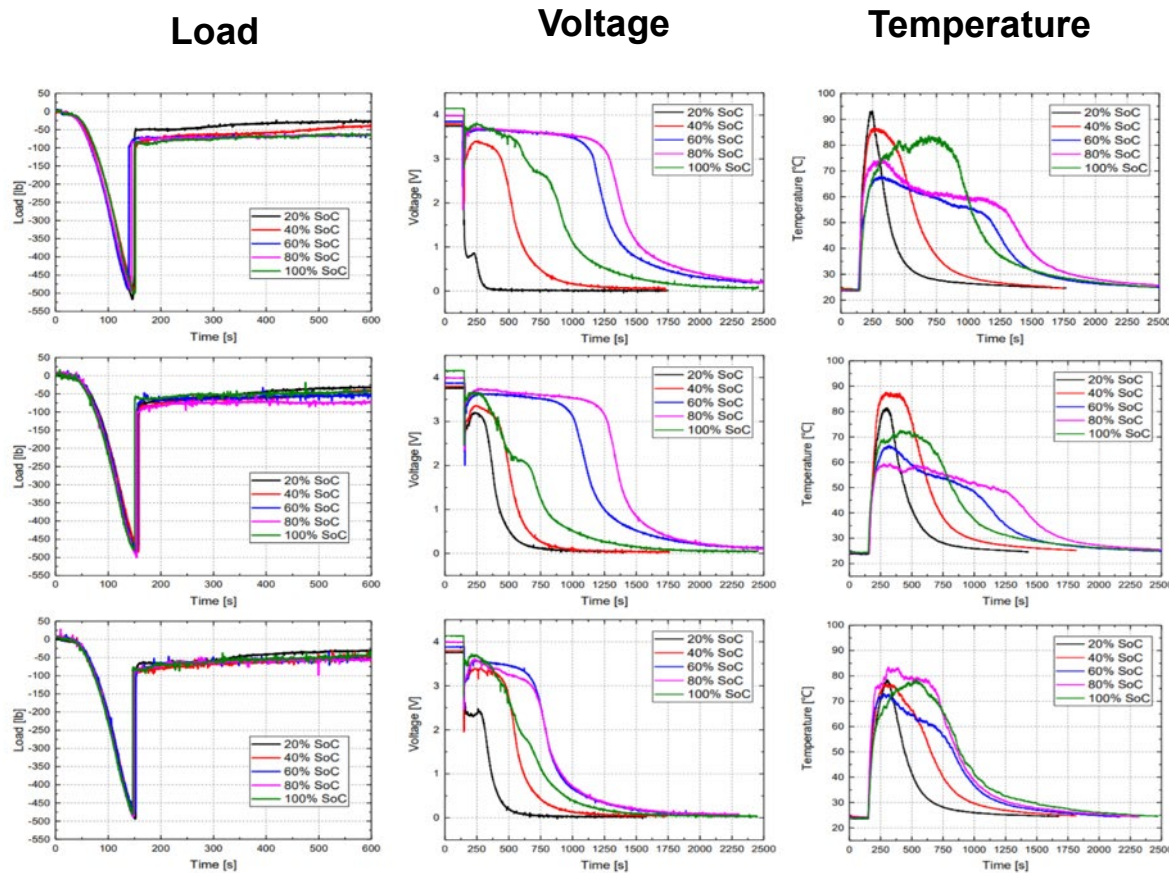
Nissan Leaf Cell in Sandia Test Chamber



Nissan Leaf Cell After Indentation



Thermal Runaway Risks for Li-ion Batteries (ORNL-Sandia)



Small Cells Testing at ORNL:

SOC: 20%, 40%, 60%, 80%, 100%

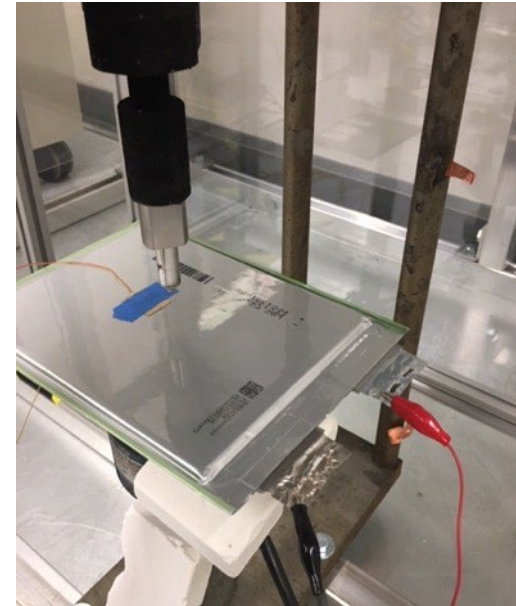
Capacity at 500, 1500, 200 mAhr

Number of Cells: 4 cells/condition

ESS Batteries at Various SOC:

Sandia: 30%, 50%, 75%, 100%

ORNL: 20%, 40%, 60%, 80%, 100%



Test Data and Cell Information:

- Cell Capacity
- Loading curve: before & after short
- Cell Voltage: drop and response
- Cell Temperature vs. Time
- Open cell voltage
- Anode thickness
- Cathode thickness
- Separator thickness
- C/2 Charge curve
- 1C discharge curve

Example of Traditional Data Analysis

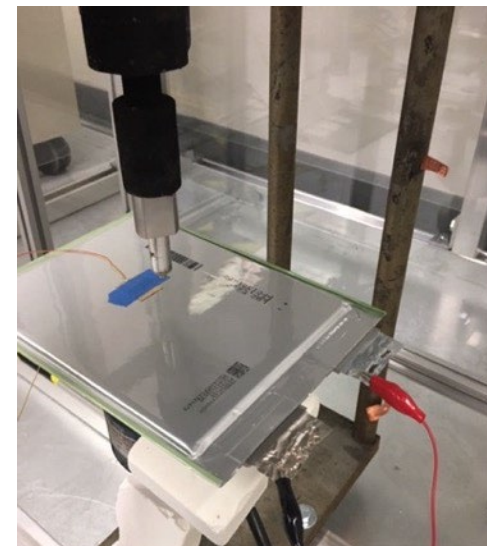
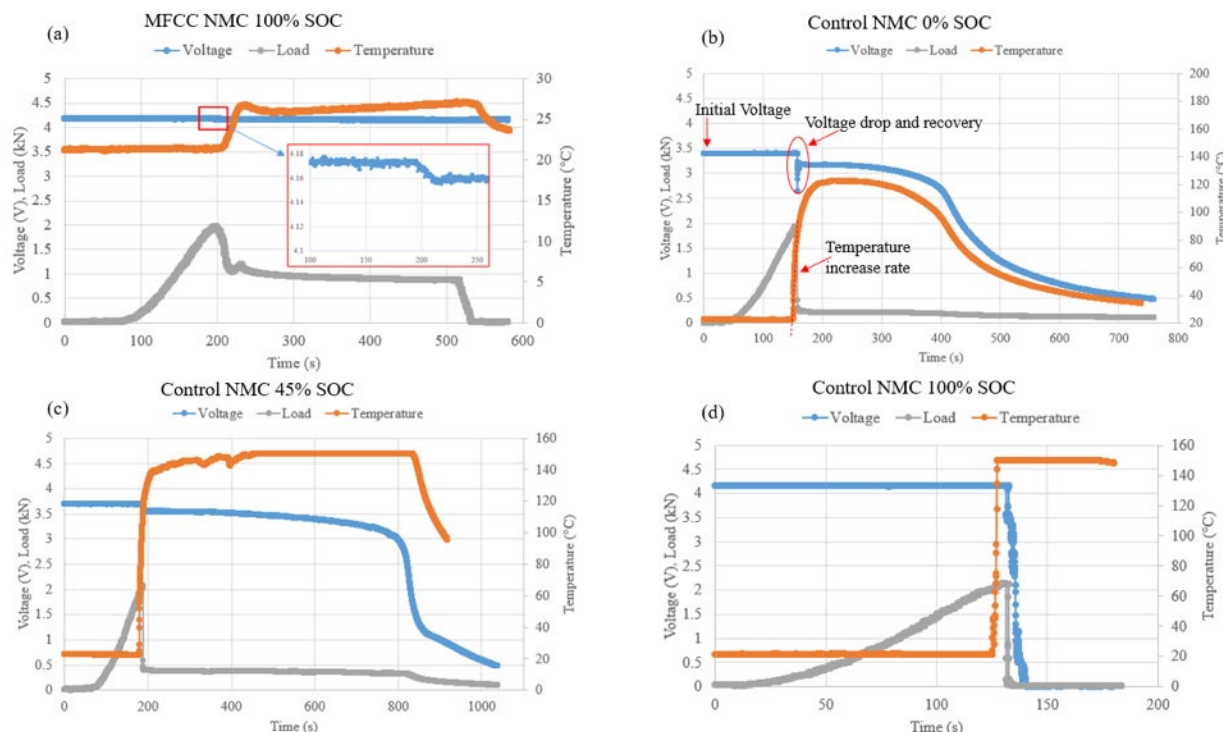
Cell Capacity (mAh)	500	500	500	500	500
SOC %	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
Test Cell Capacity (mAh)	100	200	300	400	500
Voc (V)	3.75	3.784	3.861	3.991	4.147
V drop Initial (V)	0.25	2.284	0.351	3.581	3.955
V at 300 sec (V)	0.0183	0.095	0.407	0.15595	0.033569
Sum of V*Δt (V-Sec)	120.63	110.47	220.09	77.176	29.462
Load at failure (lb)	-338	-337.52	-345.7	-355.16	-353.82
Load during hold (lb)	-81.79	-88	-131.6	-170.04	-147.09
Temp Max	79.83	78.055	82.93	81.913	86.655
Sum of ΔT*Δt (K-Sec)	6685.3	8093.482	10168.27	14668.71	17089.57
Time to reach Tmax (sec)	62.57	33.6	61.2	60.8	57.8

Thermal Runaway Risks for Li-ion Batteries (ORNL-Sandia)

Load

Voltage

Temperature



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Cell Name	Chemistry	Capacity (mAh)	Sample Number
Commercial LCO	LiCoO ₂	500	15
Commercial LCO	LiCoO ₂	1500	10
Commercial LCO	LiCoO ₂	2000	15
Commercial LCO	LiCoO ₂	6400	13
Control NMC	LiNiMnCoO ₂ (811)	5200	12
Metallized Film Current Collector (MFCC) NMC	LiNiMnCoO ₂ (811)	5200	10
Commercial LFP	LiFePO ₄	10000	16
Commercial NMC	LiNiMnCoO ₂	10000	14

Acronyms for cathode chemistry: lithium cobalt oxide (LCO); lithium nickel manganese cobalt oxide (NMC); lithium iron phosphate (LFP)

Thermal Runaway Severity: EUCAR vs Test Data-driven Severity Levels

EUCAR Severity Levels

Hazard Level	Description	Classification Criteria & Effect
0	No effect	No effect. No loss of functionality.
1	Passive protection activated	No defect; no leakage; no venting, fire, or flame; no rupture; no explosion; no exothermic reaction or thermal runaway. Cell reversibly damaged. Repair of protection device needed.
2	Defect/Damage	No leakage; no venting, fire or flame; no rupture; no explosion; no exothermic reaction or thermal runaway. Cell irreversibly damaged. Repair needed.
3	Leakage $\Delta\text{mass} < 50\%$	No venting, fire, or flame; no rupture; no explosion. Weight loss $< 50\%$ of electrolyte weight (electrolyte = solvent + salt).
4	Venting $\Delta\text{mass} \geq 50\%$	No fire or flame; no rupture; no explosion. Weight loss $\geq 50\%$ of electrolyte weight (electrolyte = solvent + salt).
5	Fire or Flame	No rupture; no explosion (i.e., no flying parts).
6	Rupture	No explosion, but flying parts of the active mass.
7	Explosion	Explosion (i.e., disintegration of the cell).

ORNL-Sandia Test Data Based Severity Levels

Hazard Severity Level	Description
1 (VL, 0-10)	Very low, instant local Joule heating, detectable voltage drops
2 (L, 10-25)	Low, localized heating, small voltage drops and recovery
3 (M, 25-75)	Moderate, localized heating spread, significant voltage drops, continued discharge after recovery
4 (H, 75-90)	High, heating due to chemical reactions, cell puff and gas release, voltage drop to close zero
5 (VH, 90-100)	Very high, heating spread to the cell, heavy smoke and possible fire, voltage drops to zero

Calculation of Thermal Runaway Severity Score

Severity Score Calculation Based on Temperature and Voltage

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 5, \text{ if Max Temperature} < 40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \\ wA * \left(\frac{\text{Max Temperature}}{160} \right)^{0.25} \\ + wB * \left(\frac{\text{Temperature Increase Rate}}{200} \right) \\ + wC * wCap * wSOC * \text{Voltage Drop Score} \\ + cOffset, 100 \end{array} \right\} \quad (1)$$

100, if Max Temperature > 160 °C

Voltage Drop Score=

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1, \text{ if } (\text{Voltage Range})/(\text{Initial Voltage}) < 0.2 \\ 2, \text{ if } \frac{\text{Voltage Range}}{\text{Initial Voltage}} > 0.5 \text{ and } \frac{\text{Final Voltage Change}}{\text{Initial Voltage}} < 0.2 \\ 3, \text{ if } \frac{\text{Voltage Drop in 2 Seconds}}{\text{Initial Voltage}} < 0.4 \text{ and } \frac{\text{Final Voltage Change}}{\text{Initial Voltage}} > 0.7 \\ 4, \text{ if } \frac{\text{Voltage Drop in 2 Seconds}}{\text{Initial Voltage}} \geq 0.4 \text{ and } \frac{\text{Final Voltage Change}}{\text{Initial Voltage}} > 0.7 \\ 5, \text{ if } \frac{\text{Voltage Range}}{\text{Initial Voltage}} > 0.7 \text{ and } \frac{\text{Final Voltage Change}}{\text{Initial Voltage}} > 0.7 \text{ and } \frac{\text{Voltage Drop in 5 Seconds}}{\text{Initial Voltage}} > 0.7 \end{array} \right\} \quad (2)$$

$$wA = 2.0 * cScale, wB = 3.0 * cScale, wC = 2.0 * cScale \quad (3)$$

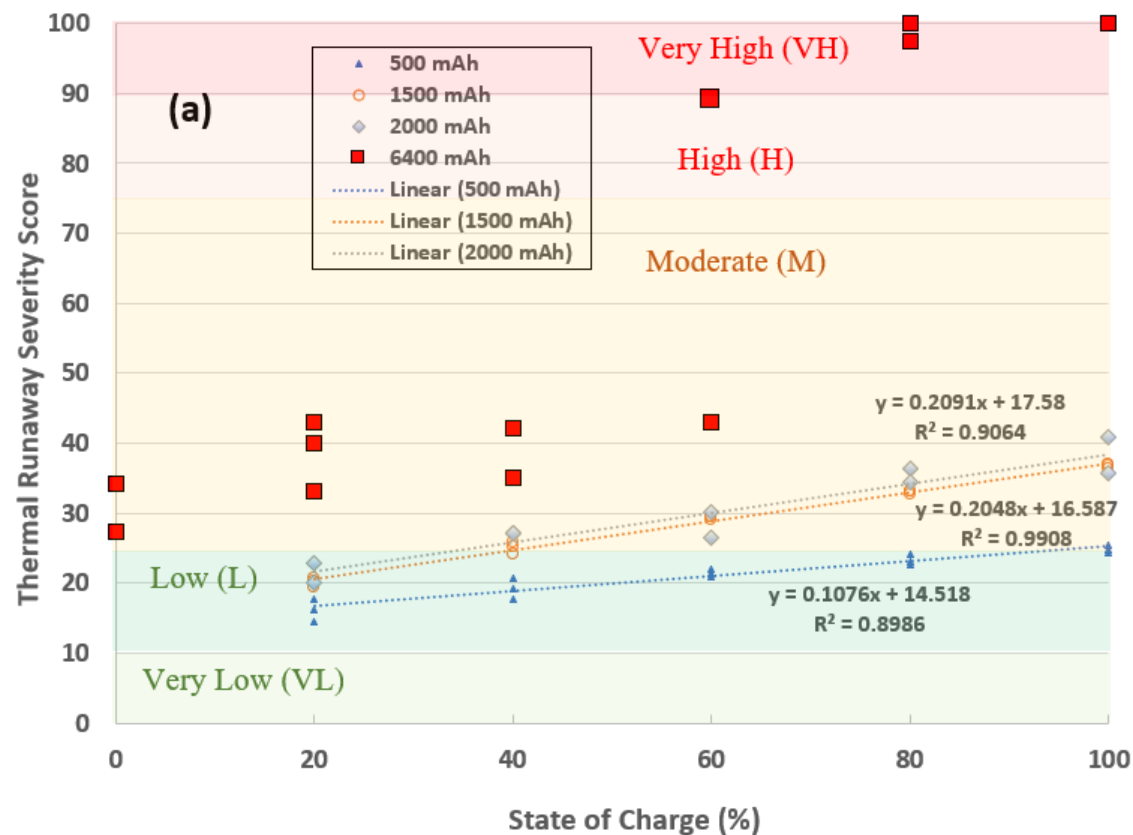
$$wCap = \text{Battery Capacity}/10000 \quad (4)$$

$$wSOC = \text{Battery SOC}/100 \quad (5)$$

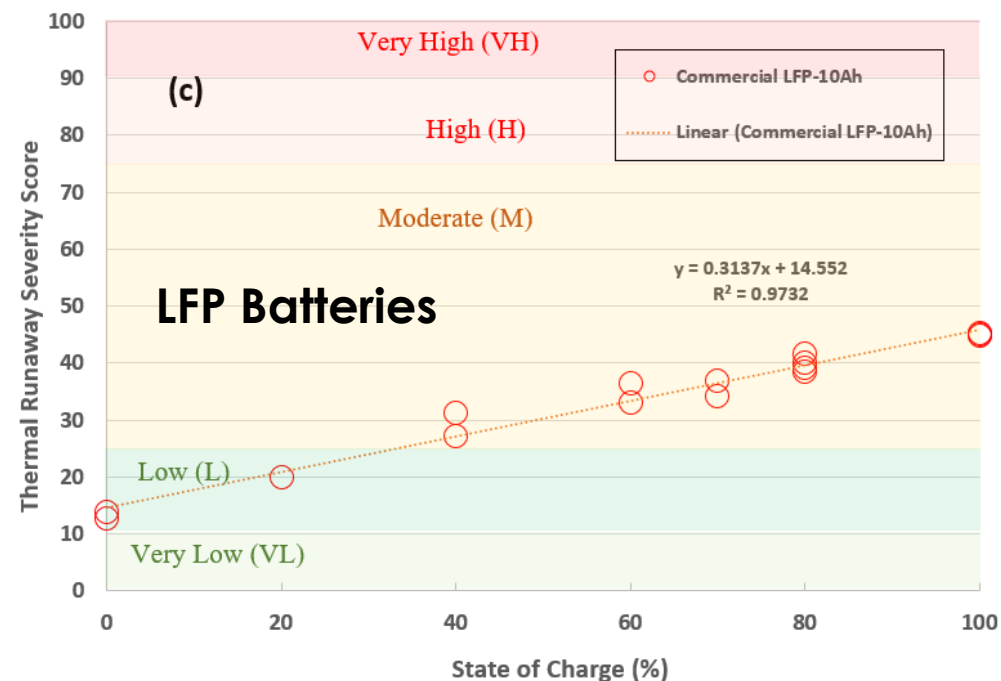
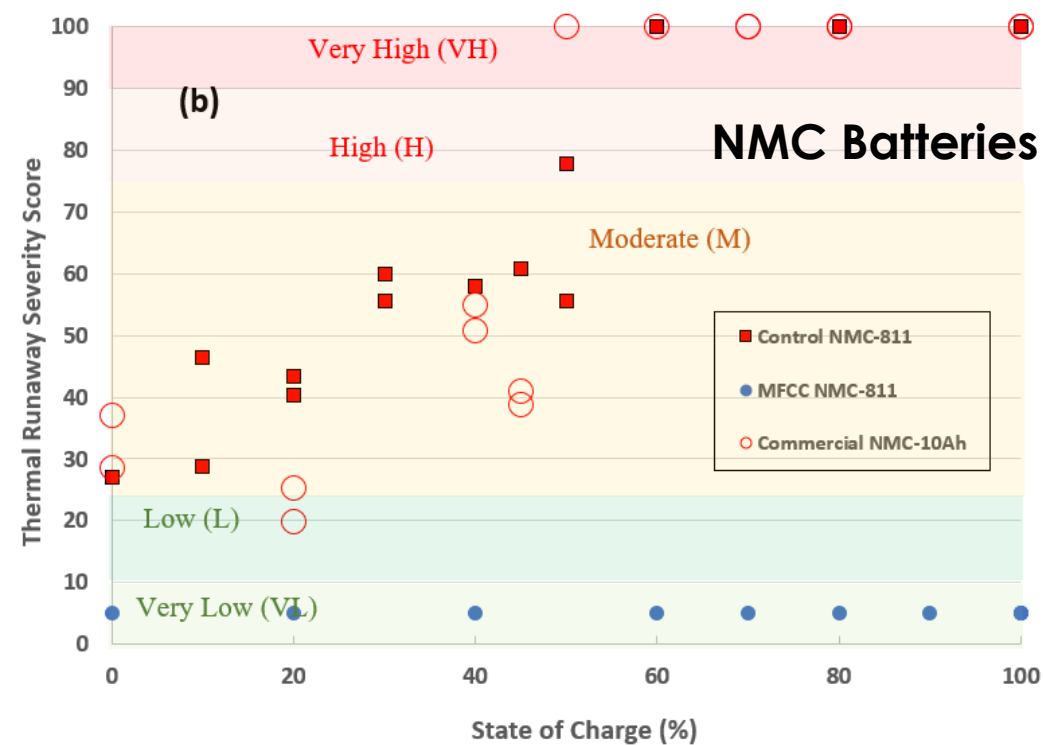
$$cScale = 95/6, cOffset = 5 - cScale \quad (6)$$

Test Name	Calculated Severity Level (CHS 5-100)	Battery Capacity (mAh)	SOC (%)	Observed Severity Level (OHS)
LCO 500mAh-20SOC	14.4	500	20	Low
LCO 500mAh-40SOC	17.6	500	40	Low
LCO 500mAh-60SOC	22.0	500	60	Low
LCO 500mAh-80SOC	24.2	500	80	Low
LCO 500mAh-100SOC	24.3	500	100	Low
LCO 1500mAh-20SOC	20.7	1500	20	Low
LCO 1500mAh-40SOC	25.2	1500	40	Moderate
LCO 1500mAh-60SOC	29.0	1500	60	Moderate
LCO 1500mAh-80SOC	32.8	1500	80	Moderate
LCO 1500mAh-100SOC	36.7	1500	100	Moderate
LCO 2000mAh-20SOC	22.8	2000	20	Low
LCO 2000mAh-40SOC	27.1	2000	40	Moderate
LCO 2000mAh-60SOC	26.6	2000	60	Moderate
LCO 2000mAh-80SOC	36.3	2000	80	Moderate
LCO 2000mAh-100SOC	35.7	2000	100	Moderate
Sotera-Control-100SOC	100.0	5190	100	Very High
Sotera-Control-80SOC	100.0	4960	80	Very High
Sotera-Control-60SOC	100.0	5190	60	Very High
Sotera-Control-40SOC	57.9	5190	40	Moderate
Sotera-Control-20SOC	40.3	5190	20	Moderate
Sotera-Control-10SOC	46.4	5190	10	Moderate
Sotera-Control-0SOC	27.1	5190	0	Moderate
Sotera-MFCC-100SOC	5.0	4960	100	Very Low
Sotera-MFCC-80SOC	5.0	5180	80	Very Low
Sotera-MFCC-60SOC	5.0	5180	60	Very Low
Sotera-MFCC-40SOC	5.0	4720	40	Very Low
Sotera-MFCC-20SOC	5.0	5180	20	Very Low
LCO- 6400mAh-100SOC	100.0	6400	100	Very High
LCO- 6400mAh-80SOC	100.0	6400	80	Very High
LCO-6470mAh-60SOC	89.1	6470	60	High
LCO-6270mAh-40SOC	35.1	6270	40	Moderate
LCO-6500mAh-20SOC	43.0	6500	20	Moderate
LCO-6560mAh-0SOC	34.3	6560	0	Moderate
LFP 10Ah-0SOC	13.8	10000	0	Low
LFP 10Ah-40SOC	27.1	10000	40	Moderate
LFP 10Ah-60SOC	33.2	10000	60	Moderate
LFP 10Ah-80SOC	39.2	10000	80	Moderate
LFP 10Ah-100SOC	44.8	10000	100	Moderate
NMC 10Ah-0SOC	37.1	10000	0	Moderate
NMC 10Ah-20SOC	25.3	10000	20	Moderate
NMC 10Ah-40SOC	55.0	10000	40	Moderate

Results: Linear Change vs "Step Change"



LCO Batteries: 500 mAh to 6400 mAh



Thermal Runaway Severity Calculation Workflow

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Necessary columns

Time Load Voltage Time Temperature

	Time (sec)	Penetrator Force (N)	Cell Voltage (V)	Displacement (mm)	Time (sec)	TC1 (°C)	TC2 (°C)	TC3 (°C)	TC4 (°C)
1	0	-4.19911968	3.452		0	22.8256			
3	0.046	-4.17687858	3.448		0.099	22.82095			
4	0.103	-4.50159864	3.448		0.2	22.81805			
5	0.158	-4.37704848	3.448		0.299	22.77973			
6	0.219	-5.3823462	3.448		0.433	22.77625			
7	0.264	-4.09681062	3.448		0.499	22.77102			
8	0.31	-4.47490932	3.448		0.598	22.76464			
9	0.355	-4.07456952	3.449		0.7	22.79483			
10	0.4	-4.17687858	3.45		0.799	22.78554			
11	0.446	-4.26139476	3.449		0.899	22.78264			
12	0.503	-3.77653878	3.448		1	22.75069			
13	0.55	-3.73205658	3.448		1.1	22.7716			
14	0.66	-2.31752262	3.448		1.2	22.78147			
15	0.744	-3.4251294	3.448		1.299	22.82618			
16	0.84	-3.30947568	3.448		1.4	22.84184			
17	1.017	-4.50604686	3.448		1.499	22.83546			
18	1.063	-4.4704611	3.448		1.599	22.82211			
19	1.121	-4.05232842	3.448		1.699	22.80528			
20	1.167	-4.37260026	3.449		1.798	22.83256			
21	1.214	-3.37175076	3.447		1.899	22.85287			
22	1.259	-4.19911968	3.452		1.999	22.86563			
23	1.304	-4.17687858	3.448		2.132	22.80817			

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Risk Analysis

Run code

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
1	Soteria-100SOC-cell1	Processing	No effect, instant local Joule heating, no internal discharge - 1		4960	100				
2	Soteria-100SOC-cell2	Processing	No effect, instant local Joule heating, no internal discharge - 1		4960	100				
3	Soteria-Control-100SOC-cell1	Processing	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7		5190	100				
4	Soteria-Control-100SOC-cell2	Processing	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7		5190	100				
5	LCO-LP-6400mAh-100SOC-cell1	Processing	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7		6400	100				
6	LCO-LP-6400mAh-100SOC-cell2	Processing	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7		6400	100				
7	LCO-LP-6400mAh-80SOC-cell3	Processing	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7		6400	80				
8	LCO-LP6400mAh-80SOC-cell4	Processing	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7		6400	80				
9	Soetria-80SOC-cell3	Processing	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7		4960	80				
10	Soteria-Control-60SOC-cell1	Processing	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7		5190	60				
11	Soteria-Control-45SOC-cell1	Processing	Physical effect (pouch swelling), rupture of pouch, gas release - 6		5190	45				
12	Soteria-control-40SOC-cell2	Processing	Physical effect (pouch swelling), rupture of pouch, gas release - 6		5190	40				
13	Soteria-control-20SOC-cell1	Processing	Physical effect (pouch swelling), extended joule heating, local reactions - 5		5190	20				
14	Soteria-control-30SOC-cell2	Processing	Physical effect (pouch swelling), extended joule heating, local reactions - 5		5190	30				
15	Soteria-control-30SOC-cell1	Processing	Physical effect (pouch swelling), extended joule heating, local reactions - 5		5190	30				
16	Soteria-control-10SOC-cell1	Processing	Moderate effect, extended joule heating, local reactions (limited spread) - 3		5190	10				
17	Soteria-Control-05SOC-cell1	Processing	Moderate effect, extended joule heating, local reactions (no spread) - 3		5190	0				
18	Soteria-SCC-90SOC-cell1	Processing	No effect, instant local Joule heating, no internal discharge - 1		5180	90				
19	Soteria-SCC-80SOC-cell1	Processing	No effect, instant local Joule heating, no internal discharge - 1		5180	80				
20	Soteria-SCC-60SOC-cell1	Processing	No effect, instant local Joule heating, no internal discharge - 1		5180	60				
21	Soteria-SCC-20SOC-5180mAh	Processing	No effect, instant local Joule heating, no internal discharge - 1		5180	20				
22	OE-LCO-6470mAh-60SOC	Processing	Moderate effect, extended joule heating, local reactions (limited spread) - 3		5190	60				

Result worksheet

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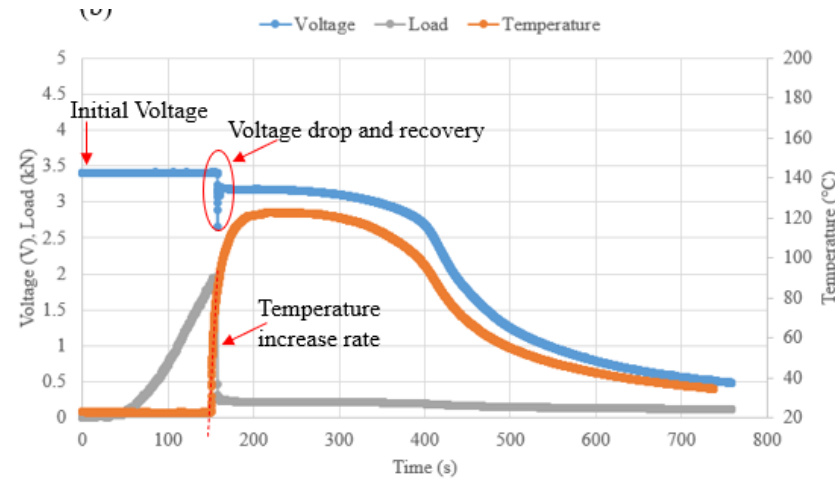
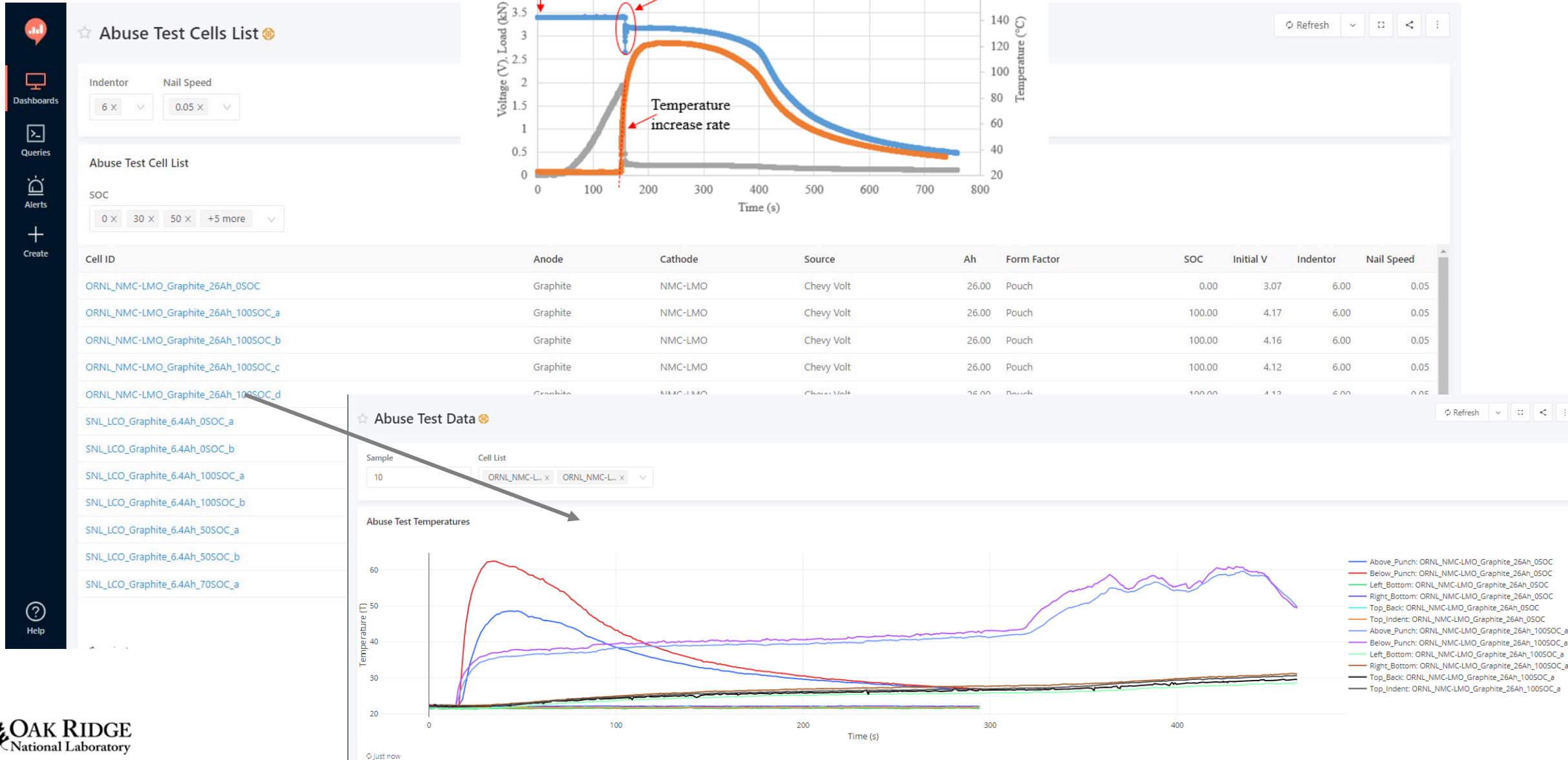
Severity score

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1	FileName	Observed Score	Observed Score	Calculated Score	Capacity	SOC			
2	Soteria-100SOC-cell1	No effect, instant local Joule heating, no internal discharge - 1	1.00	5.00	4960	100	20.3214	0.22156	15.7067
3	Soteria-100SOC-cell2	No effect, instant local Joule heating, no internal discharge - 1	1.00	5.00	4960	100	20.1898	0.18107	15.7067
4	Soteria-Control-100SOC-cell1	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7	7.00	100.00	5190	100	31.1724	37.6766	49.305
5	Soteria-Control-100SOC-cell2	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7	7.00	100.00	5190	100	31.1724	40.3477	49.305
6	LCO-LP-6400mAh-100SOC-cell1	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7	7.00	100.00	6400	100	31.1724	53.6488	101.333
7	LCO-LP-6400mAh-100SOC-cell2	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7	7.00	100.00	6400	100	31.1724	29.8941	101.333
8	LCO-LP-6400mAh-80SOC-cell3	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7	7.00	100.00	6400	80	31.1724	29.5352	81.0667
9	LCO-LP6400mAh-80SOC-cell4	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7	7.00	97.48	6400	80	31.1724	28.5057	48.64
10	Soetria-80SOC-cell3	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7	7.00	100.00	4960	80	31.1724	29.5128	62.8267
11	Soteria-Control-60SOC-cell1	Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7	7.00	100.00	5190	60	31.1724	30.7138	49.305
12	Soetria-Control-45SOC-cell1	Physical effect (pouch swelling), rupture of pouch, gas release - 6	6.00	60.73	5190	45	31.1724	18.1999	22.1873
13	Soteria-control-40SOC-cell2	Physical effect (pouch swelling), rupture of pouch, gas release - 6	6.00	57.93	5190	40	31.1724	17.8647	19.722
14	Soteria-control-20SOC-cell1	Physical effect (pouch swelling), extended joule heating, local reactions	5.00	40.28	5190	20	30.8922	10.359	9.861
15	Soteria-control-30SOC-cell2	Physical effect (pouch swelling), extended joule heating, local reactions	5.00	55.53	5190	30	30.2916	21.2789	14.7915
16	Soteria-control-30SOC-cell1	Physical effect (pouch swelling), extended joule heating, local reactions	5.00	59.89	5190	30	30.96	24.971	14.7915
17	Soteria-control-10SOC-cell1	Moderate effect, extended joule heating, local reactions (limited spread)	4.00	46.36	5190	10	30.345	21.9142	4.9305
18	Soteria-Control-05SOC-cell1	Moderate effect, extended joule heating, local reactions (no spread) - 3	3.00	27.10	5190	0	29.6537	7.78384	0.49305
19	Soteria-SCC-90SOC-cell1	No effect, instant local Joule heating, no internal discharge - 1	1.00	5.00	5180	90	20.9707	0.28818	14.763
20	Soteria-SCC-80SOC-cell1	No effect, instant local Joule heating, no internal discharge - 1	1.00	5.00	5180	80	20.8322	0.21012	13.1227
21	Soteria-SCC-60SOC-cell1	No effect, instant local Joule heating, no internal discharge - 1	1.00	5.00	5180	60	20.5409	0.22226	9.842
22	Soteria-SCC-20SOC-5180mAh	No effect, instant local Joule heating, no internal discharge - 1	1.00	5.00	5180	20	19.9489	0.14925	3.28067
23	OE-LCO-6470mAh-60SOC	Physical effect (pouch swelling), rupture of pouch, gas release - 6	6.00	89.10	6470	60	31.1724	31.8859	36.879

Code behind the worksheet

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Private Sub CommandButton3_Click()  
Dim oFSO As Object  
Dim oFolder As Object  
Dim oFile As Object  
Dim i As Integer  
  
'Physical effect, rupture of pouch, smoke, gas release, fire - 7  
'Physical effect (pouch swelling), rupture of pouch, gas release - 6  
'Physical effect (pouch swelling), extended joule heating, local reactions - 5  
'Moderate effect, extended joule heating, local reactions (limited spread) - 3  
'Moderate effect, extended joule heating, local reactions (no spread) - 3  
'No effect, local heating, internal discharge - 2  
'No effect, instant local Joule heating, no internal discharge - 1  
  
'clear all existing content  
sheetname = "Sheet1"  
strPath = Application.ActiveWorkbook.Path  
Set oFSO = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")  
Set oFolder = oFSO.GetFolder(strPath)  
i = 0  
strFolderExists = Dir(strPath + "\excel\", vbDirectory)  
If strFolderExists = "" Then  
MsgBox "data file doesn't exist!"  
Exit Sub  
WDir strPath + "\excel"  
End If  
  
Dim strFileName As String  
'n = oFolder.Files.Count  
n = Cells(Rows.Count, 1).End(xlUp).Row + 10 'rows of first column  
  
For i = 1 To n  
'For i = 13 To 25  
strFileName = Cells(i, 1)  
If strFileName <> "" Then  
'addTemperature  
strExcelFile = strPath + "\excel\" + strFileName + ".xlsx"  
strState = Cells(i, 3)  
'If Dir(strExcelFile) <> "" And Dir(strTempFile) <> "" Then  
If Dir(strExcelFile) <> "" And strState = "Processing" Then  
Dim app As New Excel.Application  
app.Visible = False 'Visible is False by default, so this isn't necessary  
Dim book As Excel.Workbook  
Dim book2 As Excel.Workbook  
book = app.Workbooks.Open(strExcelFile)  
  
Set wsheet = book.Worksheets(sheetname)  
'calculate risk score  
iRow = wsheet.Cells(Rows.Count, 6).End(xlUp).Row 'upbound of voltage column
```

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Future Plan: ESS Reliability Safety Testing and Analysis

Thermal Runaway Severity Database (managed by Sandia):

- **Single-cell indentation test standard**
- **Standard test: testing labs, industry, UL etc.**
- **End-user upload: database utilization and expand database**
- **Future functions: machining learning, prediction of hazard severity**