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The Voltage Fade Project: a New Paradigm for Applied Battery Research

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- a model or pattern for something that may be copied
- a theory or a group of ideas about how something should be done, made, or thought about

WHAT'S NEW ?

- ✓ Address a complex, multifaceted barrier through strongly coupled research tasks: synthesize, characterize, test hypotheses, measure performance, etc.
- Expect that the combination of outcomes, the feedback loops generated, and the shared understanding would be more valuable, and expedite next steps, relative to the sum of many non-integrated research tasks.



The Voltage Fade Deep-Dive Project – Summary

- ✓ Collecting data the same way comparisons possible
- Data are presented the same way and all data are uploaded to the database – leads to real debate and overall understanding
- ✓ Others in the team validate the results
- ✓ Consensus outcomes

Results: Significant expansion and solidification of Vfade knowledge base No indication of any 'fix' → no mitigation

route YET has been identified



Voltage Fade Team

- Over forty scientists, engineers, and technicians resident across the national lab complex worked on the Vfade issue.
- Input from industry and academia.





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Resolving the Voltage Fade Issue





8:30	ES-190	Synthetic Approaches
9:00	ES-194	Understanding Structural Changes
9:30	ES-187	NMR as A Tool
10:00	ES-193	Atomic-Scale Models
11:00	ES-188	Electrochemical Characterization
11:30	ES-189	Electrochemical Modeling
12:00	ES-161	Voltage Fade Status and Outcomes

