

Lithium Ion Batteries : Powering E-Mobility

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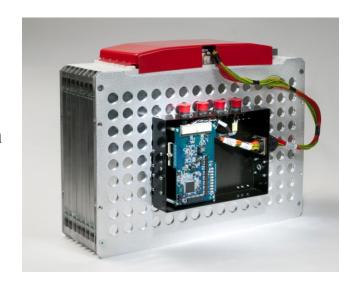
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Company overview



About Axeon

- Over the last decade Axeon has developed a leading independent lithium-ion battery development team, recognised for leading-edge battery design and manufacturing capabilities
- This technology base enables us to design and manufacture advanced lithium-ion battery systems for a variety of end market applications:
 - Automotive (electric and hybrid vehicles)
 - Cordless power tools and mobile products
 - E-bikes
 - Energy storage
- Significant contracts have been won and delivered with blue chip clients on landmark future programmes

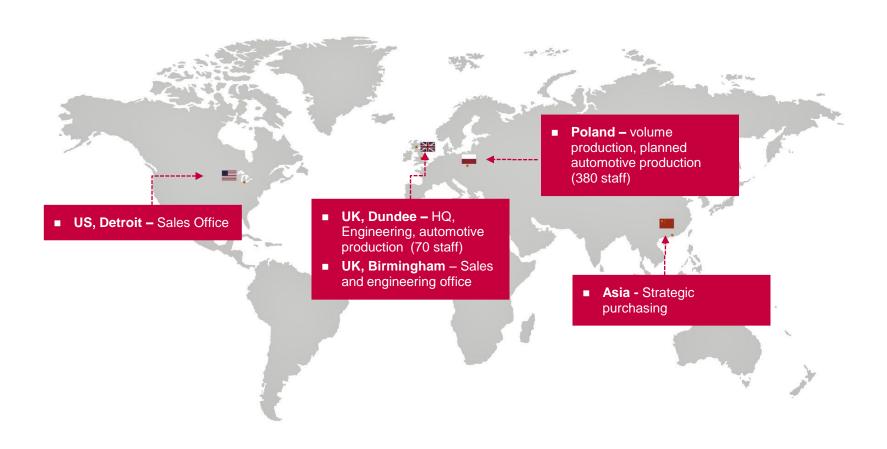






Global footprint

150 professional and 300 production staff





Technology overview



Technology development approach

- Axeon's core competence is in designing and assembling battery systems using its electrochemical, electronic, electrical and mechanical engineering expertise
- Axeon is positioned as a partner to both OEM customers and cell supply partners providing a one stop shop answer to the OEMs need for a leading edge performance, cost competitive solution to their EV battery needs, including turn-key battery design, development, assembly and test capability throughout the product life cycle.
- Axeon offers an independent "cell agnostic" technology benchmark input which can be used to validate cell vendors technology claims.
- For production, Axeon can either provide turnkey standalone battery supply or a collaborative solution working with cell, OEM or assembly partners.

Battery Value Chain

Cell Raw Materials/process e.g. Lithium Carbonate Cell Electroactive "Ingredients" e.g. Coatings Cell sub component production and test

Cell Assembly and test Battery Assembly and test

Battery pre conditioning

Axeon Value Proposition

Inform

Support

Responsible



Applications



Applications for Axeon technologies













Automotive experience – prismatic cells







Volume production; conversion of Peugeot vehicles for the leading British vehicle converter. Range includes cars, people carriers and vans



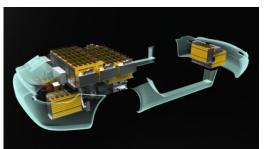
Prototype fully electric Land Rover Defender



E-Cabstar - fully electric urban delivery vehicle

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Electric conversion of Porsche 911 for Ruf. High range (250 – 320 km on single charge) and complicated packaging







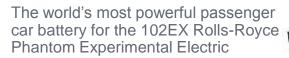
Automotive experience – pouch cells













REEVolution project - Parallel Hybrid plug-in electric vehicle, based on a X351 extended wheelbase XJ



Battery for range extended delivery truck with very lightweight chassis





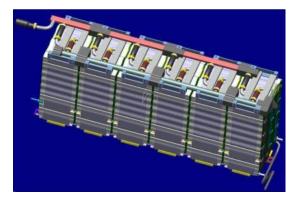
New NCM pouch cell battery, tested in an electric Peugeot Partner, with 35% greater range





Automotive experience – cylindrical cells





HEV sports car: developing leading-edge technology for premium European manufacturer



Manufacture of US cell manufacturer's pack design for fully electric saloon car. Axeon chosen for manufacturing technology skills and experience.





- Axeon was recently awarded another major e-bike contract, based on our full service manufacturing capability
- Now working on several e-bike projects using various cells from different cell manufacturers
- Efficient and cost-effective service, producing 12,000 batteries per month (1.2mln cells)
- This is backed up by our excellent design capabilities, global sourcing capability and cell-agnostic approach

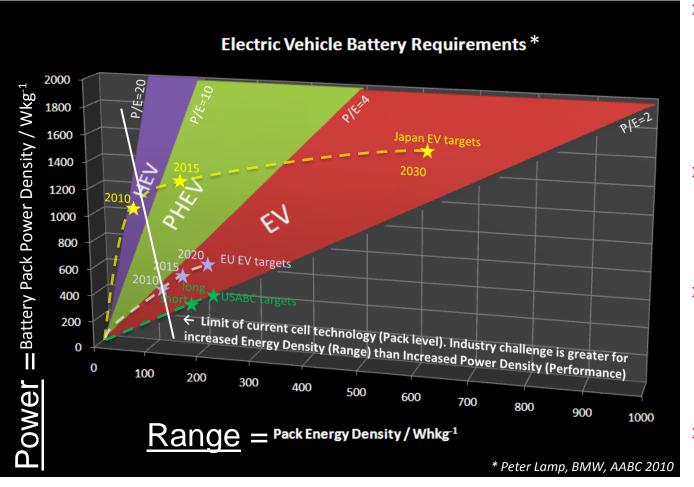








Industry Trends Industry challenge is dominated by increased energy density (range)



<u>Industry challenge is greater for increased Energy Density (Range) than</u>
<u>Increased Power Density (Performance)</u>



- HEV (Hybrid EV) e.g. Toyota Prius. Internal combustion engine (ICE) combined with a small battery which captures energy during braking and reuses to boost acceleration. Short range in pure EV mode.
- EV (Electric Vehicle) e.g. Nissan Leaf. Pure electric vehicle with no ICE. Battery is the only source of power and is larger to deliver range.
- PHEV (Plug in Hybrid EV)
 e.g. Chevrolet Volt. Vehicle
 still has ICE but with a battery
 which can be charged
 externally and hence support
 longer EV range.
- Note:- REEV (Range Extended EV). Battery is primary source of power but vehicle has small ICE as a back up generator for longer range journeys.



Our cell partnerships are key

- Axeon has a wide variety of battery chemistries from which to choose, and the experience to engineer an optimized solution based on that chemistry
- We have strategic relationships and multiple supply contracts in place with all major global suppliers of high capacity Lithium cells
- Experienced in using all cell form factors (prismatic, pouch, cylindrical)
- All cells subject to in-house qualification
 - Verification of supplier specifications
 - Environmental testing
 - Cycle testing
 - Abuse testing

























Battery Life Assessment



Summary

- Axeon has extensive real world experience of EV and HEV batteries including a range of cell chemistries and Battery Management Systems.
- Axeon is "Cell Agnostic" but well connected to cell vendors and participating in joint research and development programs.
- Multi-disciplinary engineering, with electrochemical performance and thermal analysis allow for complex understanding of cell performance as well as integration and calibration of BMS.
- These processes aid Axeon to develop and design manufacture bespoke battery solutions for demanding applications tailored to integrate effectively into EV/HEV and PHEV vehicle platforms
- Axeon has a future view of these rapidly developing technologies backed up by real research and development programs and real end customer development projects.



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