

Halide Solid Electrolytes for Li-ion Batteries

Patent Landscape Analysis

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- University of Western Ontario
- SVOLT
- EVE Energy
- TDK
- KETI (Korea Electronics Technology Institute)
- Toyota
- USTC (University of Science and Technology of China)
- Liongo New Energy Technology
- Qingtao Energy Development
- University of Maryland
- BYD
- Global Graphene
- Baowu Steel Group
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- BASF / University of Waterloo
- Guoxuan High Tech Power Energy / Gotion
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Context and objectives of the report

Solid-state Li-ion batteries have garnered significant attention in recent decades due to their notable advantages of safety and potential for high energy density. Solid electrolytes (SEX) rapid ionic transport and excellent stability are essential for the commercialization of this promising next-generation of Lithium batteries. Hence, there has been extensive exploration inorganic solid electrolytes, including sulfide- and oxide-based electrolytes. Unfortunately, both have been unable to strike an optimal balance between conductivity and stability. Oxides suffer from high impedance of grain boundaries, while sulfides experience poor stability. However, halide-based solid electrolytes are increasingly being recognized as one of the most promising options for solid-state Li-ion batteries, owing to their decent room temperature ionic conductivity (>10⁻³ S.cm⁻¹), good compatibility with oxide cathode materials, excellent chemical stability, and scalability.

The increasing interest in halide solid electrolytes has been observed while monitoring patents on solid-state Li-ion batteries. As of September 2023, over 330 patent families have been published on halide solid electrolyte materials for Li-ion batteries. It is now crucial for companies operating in the solid-state battery industry to closely examine these emerging materials from technological, competitive, and intellectual property (IP) perspectives.

In this context, Knowmade is releasing a new patent landscape report that focuses on halide solid electrolyte materials for Li-ion batteries. In this report, Knowmade's analysts have selected and analyzed over 860 patents and patent applications from more than 330 patent families (inventions) filed by 110+ different entities. This new IP report is complementary to our previous patent landscape reports and patent monitors on solid-state batteries.

In this Halide Solid Electrolytes for Li-ion Batteries Patent Landscape report, Knowmade's analysts provide a comprehensive overview of the competitive IP landscape and latest technological developments in this field.

The report covers IP dynamics and key trends in terms of patents applications, patent assignees, filing countries, and patented technologies. It also identifies the IP leaders, most active patent applicants, and new entrants in the IP landscape. The report also sheds light on under-the-radar companies and new players in this field. Additionally, it analyzes the strength of IP portfolios and the technology/application focus of key players. An overview of the current status and trends of patented technologies and their applications is also provided. Furthermore, the report examines the strategic and technological directions of both leading companies and newcomers in the field.

This 2024 edition of the report provides a detailed analysis of the IP landscape and noteworthy patents concerning halide solid electrolyte materials.

Throughout the year, Knowmade's analysts conduct thorough investigations of the solid-state battery patent landscape in order to gain a comprehensive understanding of the technological and IP developments and its impacts on the industry. This new report is one of our collection of products and services, including Solid-State Li-ion Batteries IP report, Solid Electrolytes for Li-ion Batteries IP report, Silicon Anode for Li-ion Batteries IP report, Solid-State Batteries Patent Monitor, and upcoming analyses on Recycling of Li-ion batteries, LFP, and Na-ion batteries.



Scope of the report

This report covers halide solid electrolyte materials for Li-ion batteries (incl. Lithium metal batteries). Other solid-state battery technologies (Li-S, Li-Air Normalise) are excluded. We have selected and analyzed more than 330 patent families* related to halide solid electrolytes, comprising over 860 patent applications published worldwide as of September 2023.

SUPPLY CHAIN SEGMENTS

Electrolyte materials

Electrodes

Battery cells

Charging technologies

HALIDE SOLID ELECTROLYTE

for Li-ion batteries and Lithium metal batteries

HALIDE MATERIALS

Focus on halide solid electrolyte material

Halide solid electrolyte material in a list of materials

Li₃MX₆ (M=In, Er, Sc, Yb, Zr, Ho, Hf, Y, Ga and X=Cl, Br, I, F),

Li₂MX₄ (M=Sc, In, Y and X=Cl, Br)

LiX, LiAlCl₄, Li₂MX₄ (M=Mn, Cd, Mg, Fe, Al and X=Cl, Br)

Patents which does not clearly specify the use in Li-ion batteries

TYPE OF ELECTROLYTES

Inorganic

Inorganic/Polymer

Polymer

(*)A patent family is a set of patents filed in multiple countries to protect a single invention by a common inventor(s). A first application is made in one country – the priority country – and is then extended to other countries.



Methodology for patent search, selection, and analysis

- The data are extracted from the **FamPat worldwide patent database** (Questel-ORBIT) which provides 100+ million patent documents from 100 patent or certain (USA, Japan, Europe, China, Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Singapore, etc.).
- The search for patents related to halide solid electrolytes for Li-on batteries was completed in September 2023, hence patents published after this date are not available in this report.
- Both the selection of relevant patents and their categorization into technical segments are manually performed using keywords and patent classes (IPC, CPC), combined with manual analysis of each patent title, abstract, descriptions, illustrations and claims in conjunction with expert review of the subject-matter of the inventions.
- Some patents held by different entities are grouped considering the M&A history.
- The patents are grouped in **patent families**. A patent family is a set of patent applications filed in multiple countries to protect a single invention by a common inventor(s). A first patent application is filed in one country the priority country and is then extended to other countries.
- Data analysis is performed using the Questel Orbit IP Business Intelligence analytics platform combined with Excel-based data processing and will be supplemented by expert analysis.

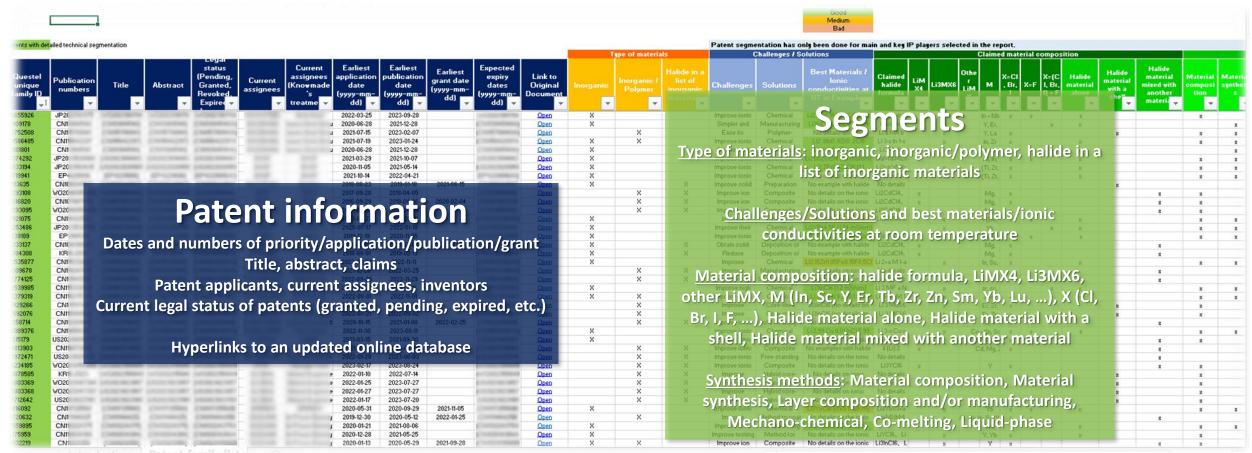
We have selected and analyzed more than **860 patents** and patent applications grouped in more than **330** patent families relevant to the scope of this report

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Excel patent database

With the present report is provided an extensive Excel database with the 330+ patent families (inventions) analyzed in this study. It useful patent database allows for multicriteria searches and includes patent publication numbers, hyperlinks to an updated online database (original documents, legal status, etc.), priority date, title, abstract, patent assignees, patent's current legal status, and segments (challenges/solutions, material composition, halide formula, halide material alone, halide material with a shell, synthesis methods, etc.).



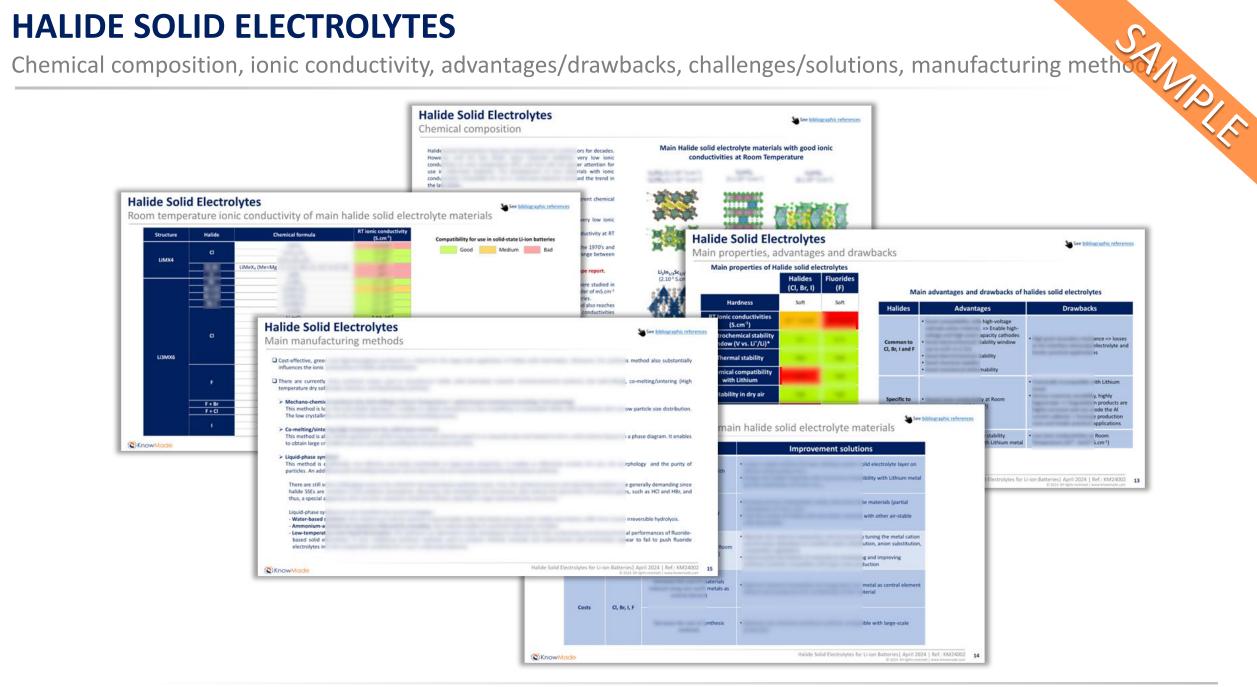


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Report sections Your concern Information you get	For R&D teams, engineers, scientists	IP For IP teams, patent attorneys	MARKET For executives, business developers	PLAYER Zoom in a competitor / partner
 PATENT LANDSCAPE OVERVIEW Ranking of players (enforceability, current activing geo/tech coverage, prior-art contribution, etc.) Patent filings dynamics per player IP collaborations (co-filings, IPR transfers) Patent litigation/oppositions 	lty, Innovators	Main patent owners IP risks/opportunities	Ecosystem (competitors, newcomers, partners, clients) Main trends IP vs Market	IP position vs Market position Player relationships (collaborations/dependencies)
 SEGMENTS ANALYSIS Patent filings dynamics per segment IP leaders per segment (enforceability, current activity, blocking potential) Key patents per segment Recent patenting activity per segment 	Technology trends Technology mapping	Blocking players IP risks/opportunities in each segment (FTO, litigation, licensing)	Benchmarking Markets of interest Future developments	IP position and level of investment in each segment Key IP developments
 IP PROFILE OF KEY PLAYERS Patent portfolio summary (portfolio size, IP activity evolution, patents legal status, geo/tech coverage, strengths/weaknesses, etc.) Key patents Recent patenting activity 	Current R&D activities Technology roadmap	Blocking patents Geo/Tech coverage Link between patents and products	Future products Potential partners Potential targets	R&D investment level Key inventions Current IP activities Strengths / Weaknesses



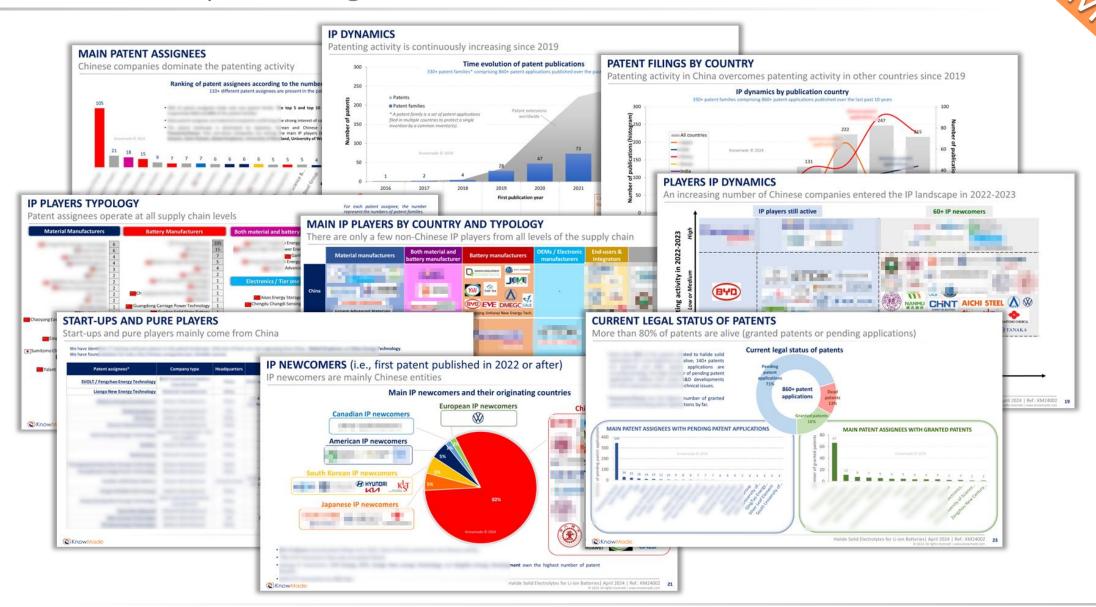
Recent patenting activity





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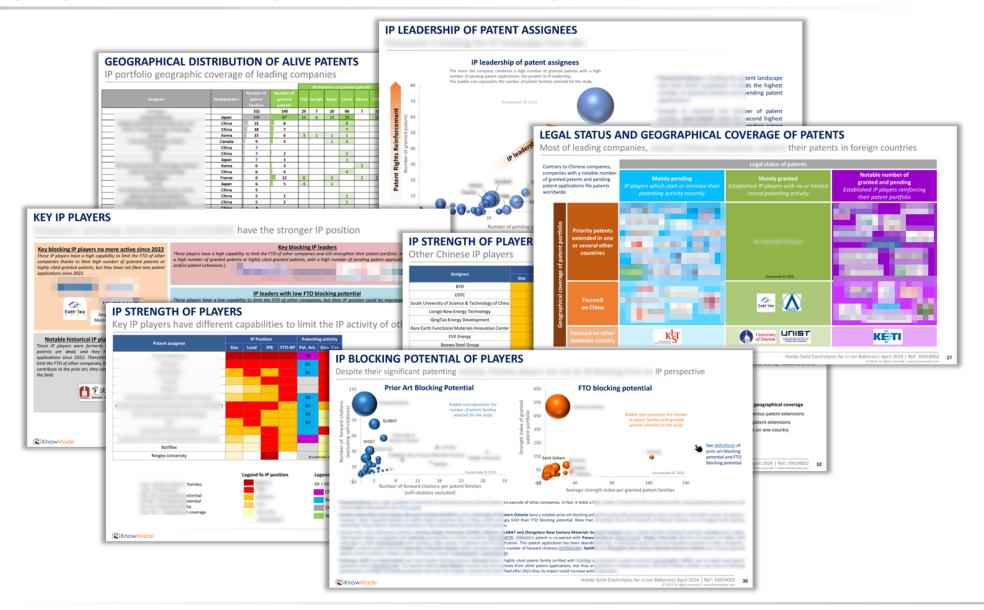
General trends, main patent assignees and newcomers





PATENT LANDSCAPE OVERVIEW

IP leaders, geographical coverage of patents, blocking potential of key players

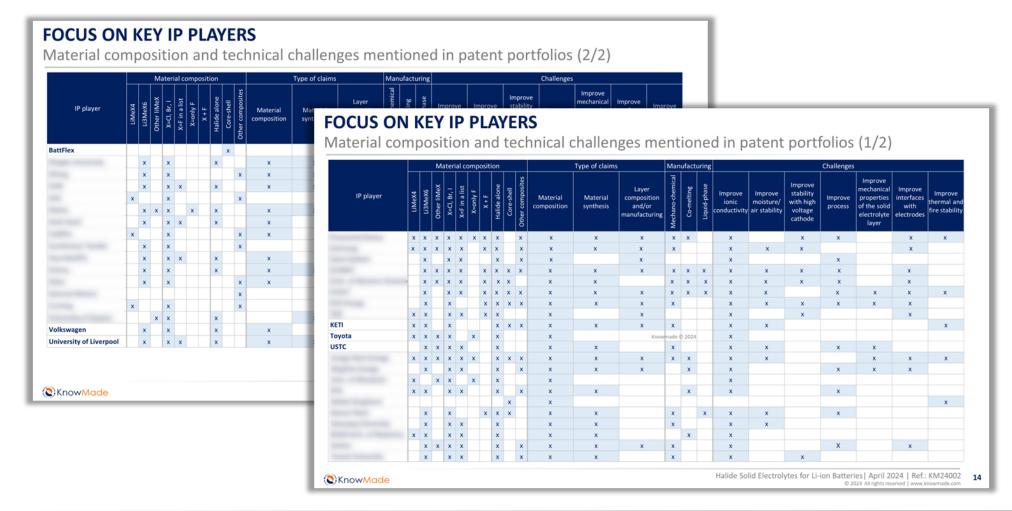




FOCUS ON KEY IP PLAYERS

Material composition and technical challenges mentioned in patent portfolios

The patents have been manually categorized according the claimed **material compositions** (LiMX4, Li3MX6, halide material alone, halide material with a stell halide material mixed with another material, etc.), the claimed **manufacturing methods** (mechano-chemical, co-melting, liquid-phase, etc.), as well as **challenges/solutions** and the **best materials/ionic conductivities** at room temperature disclosed by the inventions.





IP PROFILE OF KEY PLAYERS

IP portfolio summary, IP strategy, key patents and recent IP activity

A focus on the key IP players and newcomers is provided in a dedicated section. For each player, the patent portfolio related to halide solid electron analyzed to provide an overview of its level of IP activity, geographical coverage, strengths, potential for reinforcement, and key patented technologies.













































IP profile



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Prior art search
Freedom-to-operate analysis
Patent invalidation
Evidence of use



Patent landscape
Monitoring service
Patent portfolio analysis
Patent valuation

Innovation Strategy

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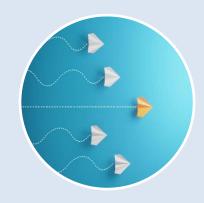
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- > Compare IP with market position
- > Evaluate the level of investment
- > Future products & target markets



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- > Technological roadmap
- > Position on the supply chain



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- Diagnostics and Theragnostics
- Medical devices and imaging
- Drug discovery and delivery

AGRI-FOOD

- Food processing & formulation
- Vegan food
- Next-gen packaging
- > Agriculture 4.0



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Expertise



Energy storage devices

- **Batteries**
- > Fuel cells
- Supercapacitors

➢ PEMFC

> SOFC

- Primary & Secondary devices
- > Thin film & Microdevices
- > Cylindrical, prismatic, pouch

Key technologies

Li-ion batteries

- > LTO, Li-metal, silicon anodes
- > NMC, NCA, LNMO, LFP cathodes
- ➤ Solid electrolytes

Post Li-ion batteries Fuel cells

➤ Na-ion

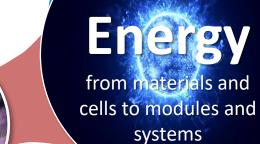
➤ Li-S

➤ Mg-ion **►** MCFC

➤ Al-ion ➢ PAFC

> AFC > Ca-ion

- > Zn-ion
- > F-ion
- ➤ Li-air



Whole supply chain

- > Active Materials
- > Battery electrodes, electrolytes, separators
- > Fuel cell electrodes, membranes, catalysts, diffusion layer, bipolar plates, electrolytes
- ➤ Battery cells / Fuel cells
- ➤ Battery packs / Fuel cell stacks
- Manufacturing & Recycling



- ➤ Automotive (BEV, FCEV)
- > Consumer electronics
- Stationary energy storage





- > Power electronics
- **BMS**
- > Thermal management





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Reports and monitors





Solid-state Li-ion batteries

PATENT LANDSCAPE REPORT

- Solid-State Li-ion Batteries with Inorganic Solid Electrolytes
- Solid Electrolytes for Li-ion Solid-State Batteries
- Halides Solid Electrolytes

PATENT MONITOR

Solid-state Li-ion Batteries

Active materials and their use in Li batteries

PATENT LANDSCAPE REPORT

- Silicon Anode for Li-ion Batteries
- LFP Li-ion Batteries (in development)
- NMC Li-ion Batteries

PATENT MONITOR

• Silicon Anode for Li-ion Batteries (in development)



PATENT LANDSCAPE REPORT

Na-ion Batteries (in development)



Fuel Cells

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Hydrogen Fuel Cells



Recycling

PATENT LANDSCAPE REPORT

• Recycling of Li-ion Batteries (in development)

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