

### Innovation towards environmental sustainability: Development of alkaline polymer solid electrolyte for carbon dioxide battery

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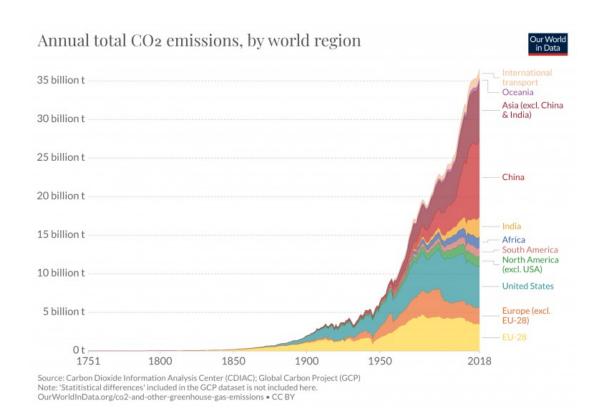
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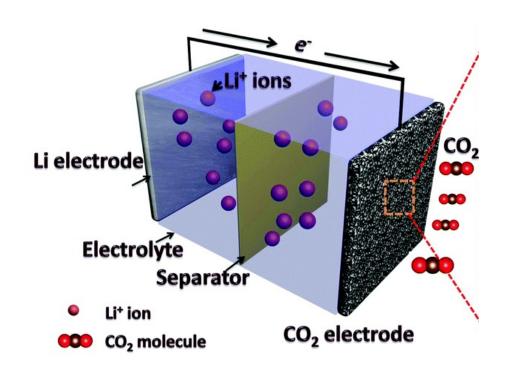
### Introduction - CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



### Global Warming

- Climate change
- Ocean acidification
- Wildlife extinction
- Severe weather events
- Higher sea levels

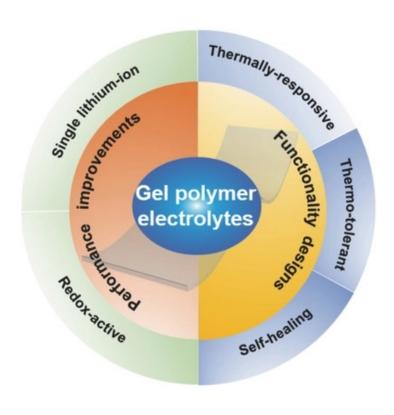
### Introduction – CO<sub>2</sub>-based electric generator



#### Roles of Electrolyte

increase battery
 conductivity by promoting
 the movement of ions

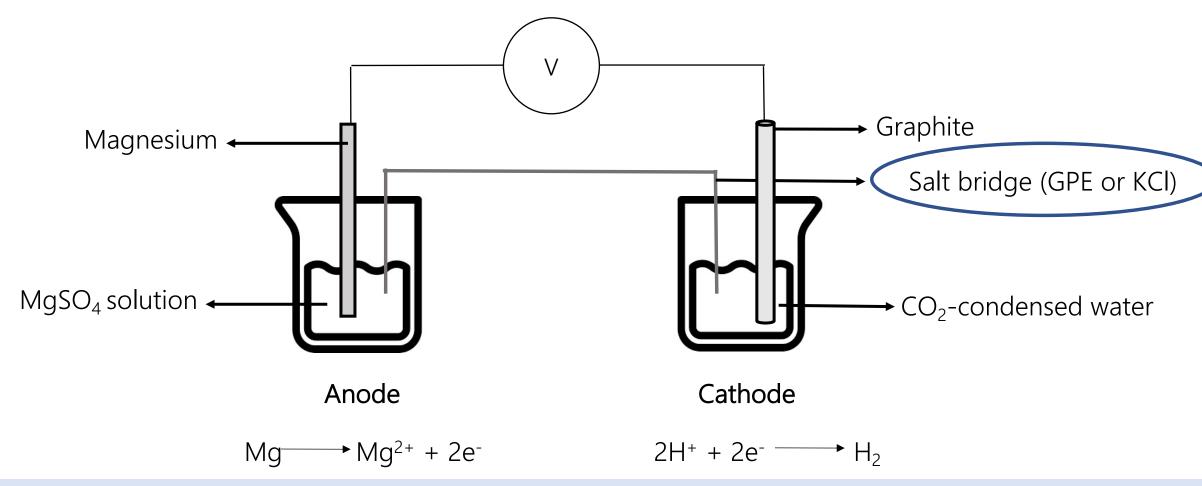
### Introduction – GPE / objectives



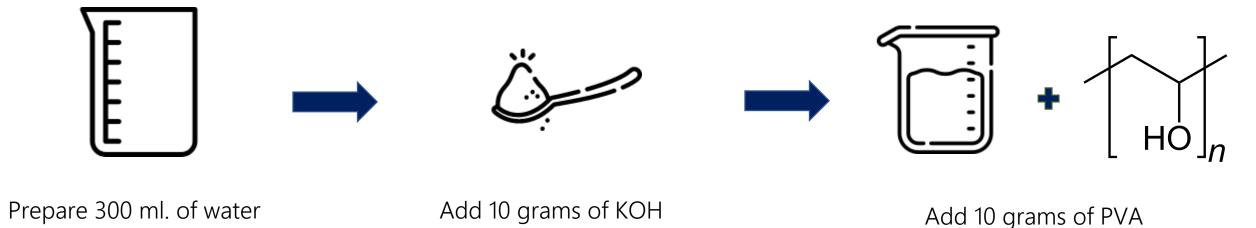
#### **PVA-KOH GPE**

- Replace currently organic electrolyte
- High ion conductivity
- More stable and safety
- Mechanical strength

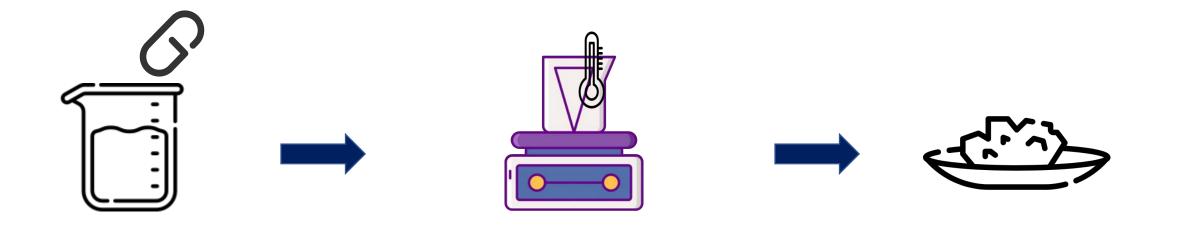
# Methodology



### Methodology – Part 1: Synthesis of Polyvinyl alcohol– Potassium hydroxide GPE



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Heat and stir the mixture until

it becomes 100°C

Put in magnetic stirrer

Wait until it is solidified

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PVA, KOH and water mixture



Synthesized electrolyte

# Methodology - Part 2: Examining GPE

### **Battery Prototype**

- Magnesium as Anode
  - Good reductant (high E<sup>0</sup>)
  - prevalent
  - Low price
- Graphite as Cathode
  - Stable
  - Act as activated carbon



# Results and Analysis of Part 2



KCl as a salt bridge

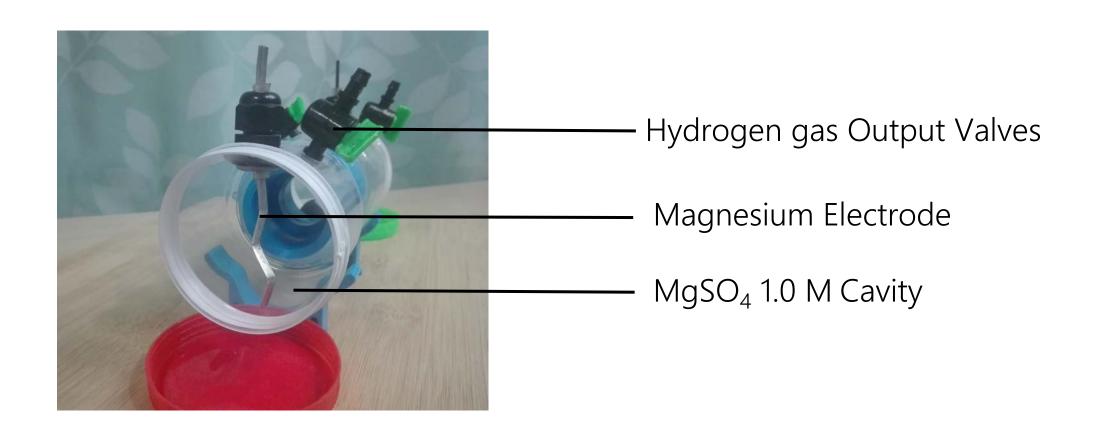


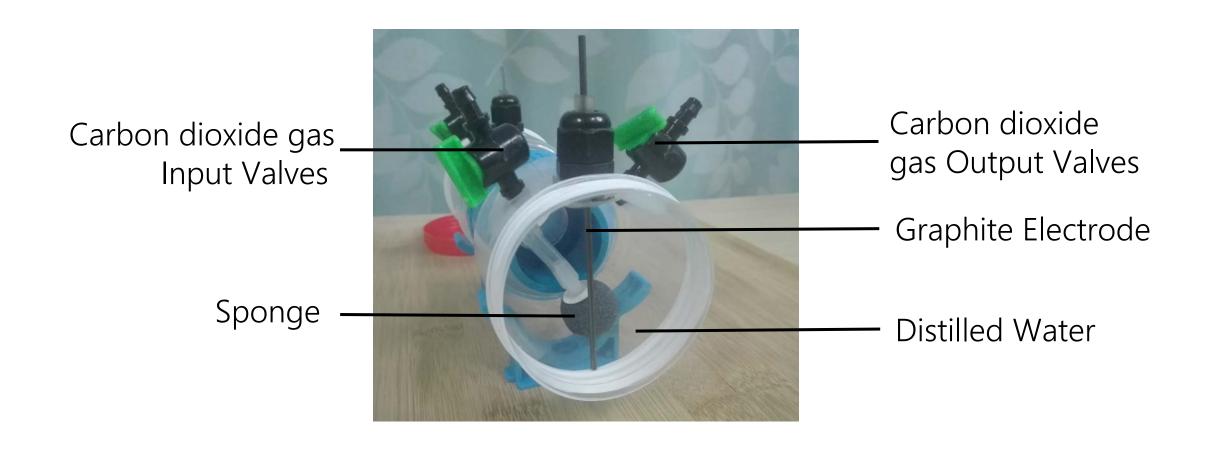
Synthesized GPE

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Salt bridge	Voltage (V)				
	1	2	3	average	Standard deviation
KCI	1.744	1.799	1.743	1.762	0.0320
PVA – KOH GPE	1.990	1.993	1.986	1.990	0.0035







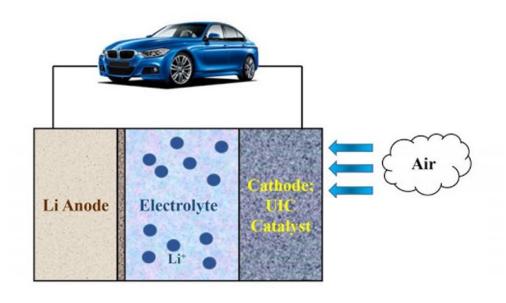


### PVA – KOH GPE

- The solid electrolyte gel can work efficiently with CO<sub>2</sub>-based battery
- Electrical voltage from prototype : up to 2.00 V



# Practical Application



- Our gel electrolyte can be applied in
  CO<sub>2</sub> system batteries
- The batteries can be attached vehicles or used in industry

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- The atmosphere of Mars is primarily composed of carbon dioxide.
- Using Carbon dioxide-based
   battery can generate the energy when
   a spacecraft is close to the surface.

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