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- 1 Headlines
- 2 Subheaders
- 3 Page numbers
- 4 Headers/footers
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- 6 Pull quotes
- 7 Standfirst
- 8 Image captions
- 9 References/Further reading



US COMMITS TO GLOBAL LITHIUM BATTERY REVOLUTION

Lithium Power International highlights the global impact of the US's recent investment into the lithium battery revolution

THE US Government's commitment to the lithium battery revolution had its doubters until late in October. That was when the Biden administration announced that the announcement cited an example based on manufacturing components from recycled materials. There are already companies working

The announcement made it clear that the US was coming from behind. "Currently, virtually all lithium, graphite, battery-grade nickel, electrolyte salt, electrode binder and iron phosphate cathode materials are produced abroad, and China controls the supply chains for many of these key imports," it concedes. The promise being made now is this will be the first phase of a total \$7bn outlay to be provided under the sweeping Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. That legislation covers a slew of promises covering high-speed

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Example one: Environmental monitoring of NORM-affected mining and processing

Why and when is the monitoring of sites and surrounding environment of NORM-affected mining and processing, such as of Uranium, Rare Earths or of any further affected commodity, indicated?

Through field and laboratory determination of relevant radiological and non-radiological parameters – directly measured or by analysis of taken samples – radioecological monitoring enables the assessment of the state and condition of environmental media.

Regulatory authorities might require this as a precondition for permitting operations, for allowing the continuation of operations, or even for accepting specific closure plans. Thus, regular monitoring programmes accompany the whole lifecycle of mining or processing projects affected by NORM.

Monitoring determines the environmental baseline (natural background) of planned operations and is thus essential for being able to detect potential subsequent impacts and counter any future liability claim.

Moreover, monitoring is a base of Environmental Impact Assessments (EIAs). EIAs need to consider the possible operational states (normal/accidental etc.) and estimate operational data and performance. Thus, they could lead to project-specific modification of planned operational processes, if indicated, to prevent or minimise potential environmental impacts.

Regular radioecological monitoring verifies compliance with valid regulations and specifically issued permits (e.g. emission/ immission limits for certain contaminants). Moreover, monitoring complements operational process control and can enhance the detection of potential failure.

Monitoring a site and its surroundings after operations have ceased/before closure confirms that no adverse processes take place. However, should site remediation become necessary – due to accidental contamination during preceding operation, for example, that could require invasive measures like the excavation of contaminated areas bearing the risk of radionuclide spreading – frequent monitoring is indispensable.

“Regular environmental monitoring of NORM affected projects avoids potential impacts and according liability risks.”

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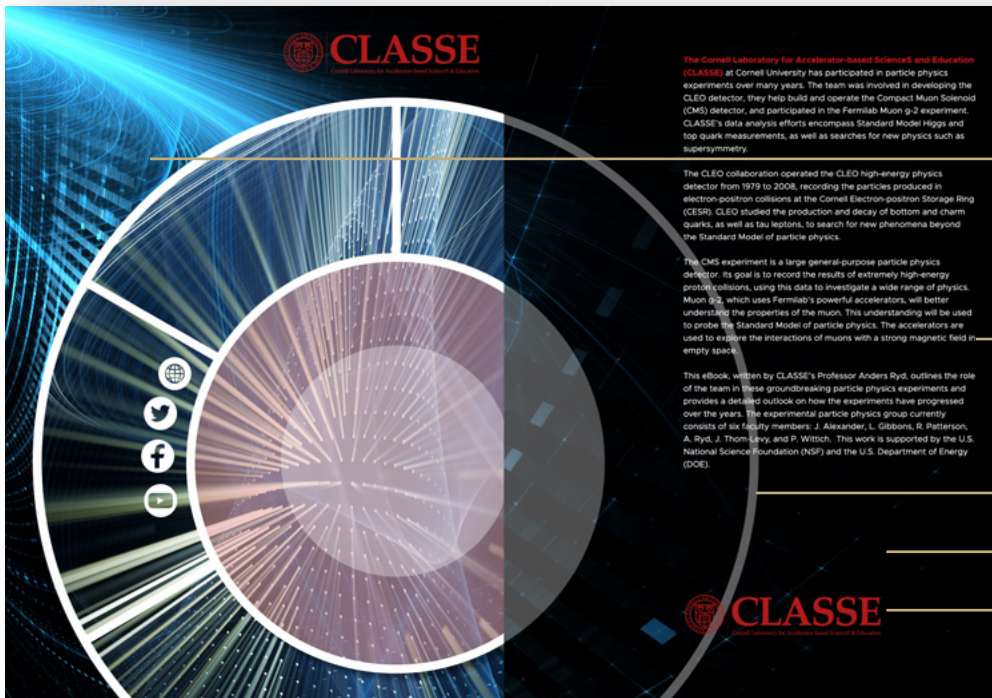
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- 2 Images
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Includes title, logo and contact details.



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Around 1000 words per spread. Even mixture of image and text.



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Around 2000 words per spread. Smaller headlines and font. Few, if any images.



ADE is an innovator, with several projects of its own under development. These will provide significant advances in agriculture, rural land stewardship, and transportation.

ADE also helps shape and influence US federal government policies, through a strategic collaboration that its managing director, a registered Washington, DC lobbyist for the past 44 years, co-founded with a prominent energy and project financing attorney, the **Alternative Fuels & Chemicals Coalition (AFCC)**.

- AFCC has grown into the second-largest bioeconomy lobbying group in the US.
- It is a potent advocate in the US Congress and with US federal agencies for the development and production of alternative fuels, renewable chemicals, biobased products, and sustainable aviation fuels (SAF), and
- AFCC is powered by its 150+ member companies, with offices and manufacturing facilities located in a majority of US states and overseas, that provide services and sell products, delivering benefits and creating jobs, adding economic value, and generating tax revenues for virtually every community in the US.

ADE and AFCC are not alone in doing this. There are many advocacy groups representing their industry members. There also are many reputable and capable firms that provide many of the same services as ADE. Maybe not all three at once, maybe not with the same experience and success ADE has had, and maybe not in the way ADE approaches the challenges faced by the innovators it assists.

Nevertheless, shop around to decide who best can help you advance.

THERE IS ANOTHER REASON FOR HOPE:

Significant, expanding support – and encouragement – is being made available to innovators.

Ever-increasing financial resources are being provided – tax incentives, technical assistance, and grant and loan guarantee funding to advance innovations through each of the nine Technology Readiness Levels (TRL).

An increasing number of government agencies also are becoming more responsive to the climate crisis through new policies, programmes, and financial support, adding further encouragement and support for innovation.

If there is hope, why don't I see it and feel it?

Why are we still hearing all the bad news about the climate crisis, which seems to get worse every day, without any improvement?

You most likely see the same polluting vehicles as you run errands and commute, the same plastic containers that make up the majority of your rubbish, and companies doing business the same way they always have.

Where is the change? Where is the urgency? Where is the hope?

Good questions, to be sure. The answer is:

Creating something new is filled with pitfalls, scepticism, risk, setbacks, failures, and ever-escalating costs – more than ever imagined – with every advance relying on the hardest money to obtain: money from investors willing to take significant risks.

It takes a certain type of investor with enough commitment to an idea and sufficient fortitude to place money that could easily generate an attractive return from another proven venture, in something untried that will take years to pay a return, and may fail at any time.

This is why it takes eight to ten years, often more, for an innovation to advance to the point where it can qualify for a bank loan or government loan guarantee, only after which it can be commercialised and deployed.

Even then, it often is only an outlier to the status quo, deployed as a single facility, with negligible market penetration.

There also is a graveyard of great ideas:

- Some ideas that could change the world and make major impacts on addressing the climate crisis never survive. They fall by the wayside, never to be heard of again, because they run out of money and are unable to obtain the funding to move to the next step.
- Some do not prove out, failing spectacularly, which shrinks the pool of investors willing to take a risk on something new and different, and makes those who still may consider such an investment, more risk-averse.

There likely are billions of dollars in private capital that have become "leaked money", which has been pulled away from advancing innovations and, instead, is sitting on the sidelines or is invested in safer, tried-and-true ventures.

To survive, the creative minds and developers behind game-changing advances have to possess a significant amount of optimism, fortitude, belief in what they are doing, and the ability to start over, again and again, and take one frustratingly slow step after another to recover and move forward following each setback while, at the same time, projecting an aura of confidence and excitement in extolling the virtues and future impacts of their projects to potential investors.

It takes endurance and, perhaps, a touch of masochism. It certainly is not for everyone. As the saying goes, "If it was easy, everyone would be doing it."

Why should this instill me with hope?

There are two answers to this dilemma, both of which are guiding principles for ADE:

The first is to help those with game-changing ideas advance. The second is to initiate and pursue new high-impact ideas. ADE does this by, first, being an enabler and, second, being an innovator.

Its managing director, in collaboration with the advocacy organisation he co-founded, also serves as an enabler by leveraging the interests and power of AFCC's member companies to influence national policy, secure funding for priority programmes, and advance legislation to improve existing and create new federal programmes to address the climate crisis.

ADE is an enabler: Four of ADE's companies – American Diversified Energy, 3rd Party Studies, Due Diligence & Analysis, and Project Financing Assistance – serve as enablers.

The US Government has increased the amount of funding available through its grant and loan guarantee programmes nearly five-fold from its 2021 funding levels. This is the result of the Inflation Reduction Act, which directs nearly \$400bn in federal funding to clean energy, to lower the nation's carbon emissions by the end of this decade, with the funds delivered through a mix of tax incentives, grants, and loan guarantees.

Moreover, grants and loan guarantees are available to advance projects through all nine Technology Readiness Levels, from initial concept to commercial deployment (see the **Directory of Federal Funding Opportunities for Each Technology Readiness Level** on the American Diversified Energy website).

One of the ADE companies that serves as an enabler – American Diversified Energy – assists innovators in meeting the requirements and preparing applications to apply for this funding.

Since the beginning of 2023, alone, American Diversified Energy has been working with a dozen companies to secure funding to deploy technologies that will:

- Produce biodegradable plastics that replace all types of fossil-based plastics and decompose seamlessly.
- Produce zero-emission electricity, hydrogen, gasoline, diesel, and sustainable aviation fuels (SAF).
- Produce renewable natural gas (RNG) from the methane released from landfills and organic wastes.
- Grow sustainable protein for feed and food, using cellular agriculture, without using land, plant, or animal products.
- Manufacture more efficient, advanced solar panels.
- Convert nonbiogenic wastes (tires, plastics, and the like) to the chemicals that are used to produce glues and adhesives, lacquers, detergents, nail polish, and other common products.
- Sequester carbon while producing renewable diesel and biomass power from forestry waste.
- Build the largest lithium battery gigafactory in North America with the capacity to produce enough batteries to power 650,000 vehicles per year.
- Deploy a technology for carbon recycling and expanding supplies of SAF and renewable diesel to reduce emissions and decarbonise the aviation and ground transportation industries.
- Deploy compact, modular geothermal units that generate power using the heat differentials between temperatures at the tops and bottoms of wells, which allows it to be used with any well with sufficient heat differentials, including abandoned oil wells, and

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Less than 500 words per spread. Larger images and added elements, such as pull quotes.



Hokkaido University's pioneering wastewater-based technology innovation

The spread and mutation of COVID-19 across the globe have raised questions amongst scientists about how future outbreaks could be managed.

Although the inhalation of aerosolised droplets and person-to-person contact are significant transmission routes of COVID-19, there is growing evidence to suggest that infections can be caused by viral RNA in the faeces of individuals and also in wastewater. Masaaki Kitajima focuses on the benefits of particles found in wastewater to map and forecast future outbreaks.

The Water Quality Control Engineering Laboratory team in the Division of Environmental Engineering at Hokkaido University works collaboratively with Shionogi & Co., a major Japanese pharmaceutical company, to develop innovative early-warning systems for COVID-19 and future global disease outbreaks.

“Masaaki Kitajima focuses on the benefits of particles found in wastewater to map and forecast future outbreaks”



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FURTHER CONSIDERATIONS

What is SEO?

SEO stands for Search Engine Optimisation, which is the process of increasing traffic to your webpage through organic search engine results.

The content of a page is what makes it worthy of a search result position. As such, it is important to create good content.

So, what is good content?

From an SEO perspective, all good content has two key elements - your keyword strategy and the way you structure your article.

Get the most out your article

To get the most out of your article we want it to be as user and search engine friendly as possible.

If there's a specific keyword you want to rank for in search engine results, e.g. 'light steel frame', you would include this phrase within the copy (in the headline, intro, subheadings and throughout the text).

If you know what you want to rank for but are unsure how to incorporate it into the text, you can add a note to our editors so they understand what you want to rank for and can edit the piece accordingly.

Here are a few tips to follow when writing the content:

1. Always include a headline – without this your content will not be searchable
2. Use sub-headers – these will improve readability
3. Always include an intro – this should entice the reader and not be repetitive of the headline
4. Choose a keyword that targets the audience you are writing for. Consider how your audience searches on google. Don't be too broad. Consider longer keywords as opposed to one word.

Our editors will research keywords, so if we find something more suitable we will make these changes. You can also have more than one keyword.



5. Write high-quality content, include stats, and place the most important pieces of information at the top of the article. Consider bullet points to improve readability
6. Don't make sentences/paragraphs too long and keep terminology simple – this will improve readability
7. Please also supply images/infographics where possible. Including an image for every 350 words improves SEO. (We will use stock photos if you do not supply anything)

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