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# **Innovative Rechargeable Batteries and**

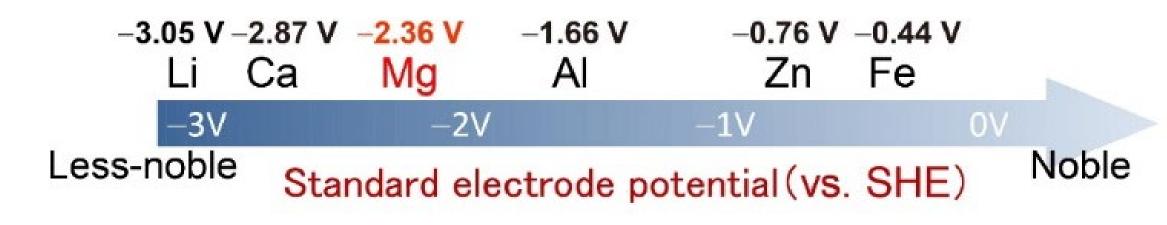


## **Highly Efficient Electrochemical Processes**

Yagi laboratory has developed rechargeable batteries based on novel ideas and highly-active electrochemical catalysts composed of abundant elements for the growth of the sustainable society.

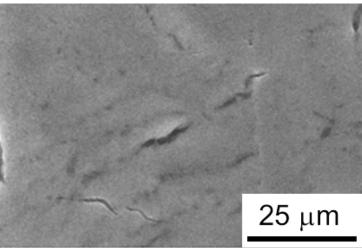
# **Magnesium Rechargeable Battery**

Magnesium has two valence electrons and the lowest standard electrode potential among the metals usable in air. The electrochemically deposited magnesium surface tends to be flat. We investigate magnesium battery technologies to achieve rechargeable batteries with high energy densities that permit easy handling. Flat surface of the High capacity of Mg



	Potential (V vs. SHE)	Capacity (mAh/g)	Capacity (mAh/cc)
Mg	-2.36	2200	3830
LiC <sub>6</sub>	-2.8	372	841
Li	-3.05	3860	2070

electrodeposited Mg





**Prototype of the Mg battery** 



Analysis of the insertion/extraction behavior





## **Catalysts for Oxygen Electrochemical Reactions**

Oxygen electrochemical reactions are significantly important and utilized in fuel cells, rechargeable metal-air batteries, electrochemical water splitting with renewable energy, and electrolytic smelting. We investigate highly active catalysts that use abundant elements to promote the oxygen electrochemical reactions.

Highly active oxide catalyst  $CaCu_3Fe_4O_{12}$  for the oxygen evolution reaction

0,+2H,0

SrFeO<sub>3</sub>

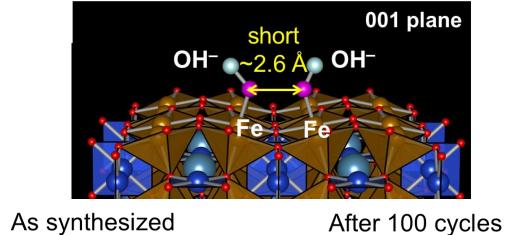
CaFeO<sub>3</sub>

CaCu<sub>3</sub>Fe<sub>4</sub>O<sub>12</sub>

5 nm

5 nm

**40H** 

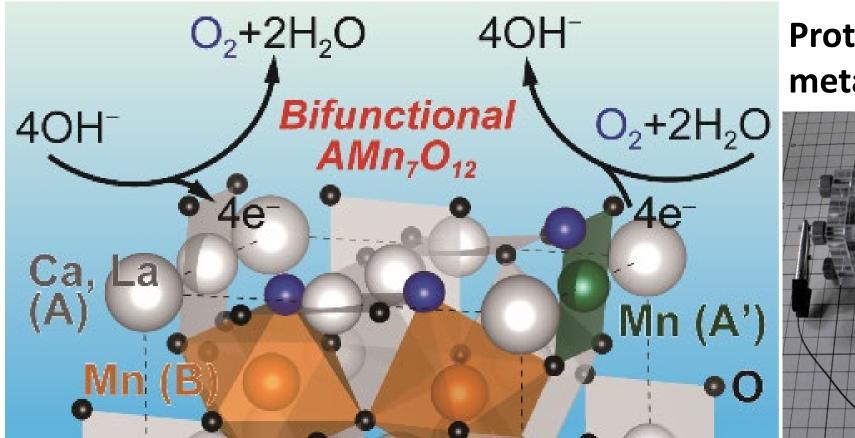


Amorphous

-20 nm

5 nm

Bifunctional catalyst CaMn<sub>7</sub>O<sub>12</sub> active for both the oxygen evolution and reduction reactions



Prototype of the metal-air battery

