Cathode materials for sodium-sulfur batteries

Should RT na-S batteries be developed with sulfur cathode and sodium anode?
In light of the scarce lithium resources and unevenly distribution around the world, it is keen to develop RT Na-S batteries with the sulfur cathode and sodium anode, holding the advantages of abundant resources and low cost. [12]

Are room-temperature sodium-sulfur batteries a viable energy storage system?
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Why are sodium-sulfur batteries used in stationary energy storage systems?
Introduction Sodium-sulfur (Na-S) batteries with sodium metal anode and elemental sulfur cathode separated by a solid-state electrolyte (e.g.,beta-alumina electrolyte) membrane have been utilized practically in stationary energy storage systems because of the natural abundance and low-cost of sodium and sulfur,and long-cycling stability,.

What is the mechanism of unique sulfur cathode?
To make deep understanding on the mechanism of unique sulfur cathode,CV,in situ Raman spectroscopy as well as in situ synchrotron XRD (Figure 5d) were conducted and revealed the two-step reaction mechanismwith the reduction of solid sulfur to soluble long-chain NaPSs and then to short-chain Na 2 S y (1 < y <= 3).

How do RT na-S batteries confine small sulfur molecules?
In the latest study,Xia and coworkers [53]proposed the one-step mechanism of the RT Na-S batteries with the slit ultramicropore carbon (derived from the coffee residual) as host to confine small sulfur molecules (S 2-4) through a traditional melting-diffusion method(Figure 2b).

Can sulfur hosts improve the performance of RT na-S batteries?
Thus, construction of sulfur hosts with confinement-adsorption-catalysis effects could effectively improve the electronic conductivity, the ion diffusion kinetics, and the rapid conversion of solvable NaPSs to the final reduction products of Na 2 S 2 /Na 2 S, resulting in satisfying performance for the RT Na-S batteries.

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