

Why is nickel & cobalt a serious uncertainty in battery manufacturing?

A serious uncertainty stems from the data gap regarding the downstream processing of nickel and cobalt products that leave the gate of the producer prior to the formation of the batteries. For instance, a refined cobalt chemical might be further customized in the battery manufacturing plant.

Does nickel & cobalt affect the life cycle of a battery?

For the SO_x emissions of a battery's full life cycle, i.e. including its use phase, Dunn et al. (2015a) have shown that primary production of cathode metals may make up 30% of the life cycle emissions if nickel and cobalt are contained, while the share is only around 5% for LMO battery chemistry.

What is the role of cobalt in a solid-state battery?

Cobalt's Role in the Narrative In the context of solid-state batteries, cobalt's significance comes from its role in cathode materials. Cobalt helps stabilize the structure of the cathode, ensuring efficient and sustained energy flow.

Why is cobalt used in batteries?

Cobalt is used in batteries due to its ability to stabilize the cathode material, enhancing the battery's overall energy density and efficiency. It also contributes to the longevity and reliability of battery cells. What are the ethical concerns related to cobalt?

What are the material flows of nickel and cobalt production?

Conclusions The material flows of the production of nickel and cobalt as well as their compounds are complex. Our results identified different production routes and their respective shares of nickel and cobalt products that are mostly used for the production of Lithium-ion batteries.

Will nickel limonite and copper-cobalt sulfide produce cobalt chemicals?

Taking into account the fact that the production volumes produced via the nickel limonite and both copper-cobalt routes will increase in the next few years, and that cobalt chemicals might soon be produced via the nickel limonite and the copper-cobalt sulfide route, it is important to note that the approach can easily be adapted to these changes.

materials, such as cobalt, lithium, manganese, nickel and graphite, needed to produce batteries, involves not negligible impacts. (Sharma et al, 2020). In 2023, the European Commission put forth a new battery regulation, which includes compulsory sustainability

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Producing electric car batteries requires a complex production chain distributed over the entire globe - pumps and valves are involved in almost every step of the production chain. The production chain starts with mining raw materials such as lithium, cobalt, manganese, nickel and graphite.

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Figure 1 introduces the current state-of-the-art battery manufacturing process, which includes three major parts: electrode preparation, cell assembly, and battery electrochemistry activation. First, the active material (AM), conductive additive, and binder are mixed to form a uniform slurry with the solvent. For the cathode, N-methyl ...

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We identified those specific nickel and cobalt products which are used for the production of lithium-ion batteries and the production routes they originate from. We compiled process chains for the most frequent technology routes, from which we identified production sites and interconnecting product flows.

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The Cobalt Institute conducted a Life Cycle Assessment of cobalt and cobalt compounds including cobalt sulphate to inform stakeholders about the potential environment impacts of the production of cobalt.

The process-wise GWP impacts of cobalt for 1 MWh of the five battery chemistries show that, relative to the base case (location based in China and an ore grade of 0.3%), refining contributes the highest percentage of GWP, followed by processing and mining. Though NCA battery chemistry requires less cobalt per MWh compared to NMC111, NMC532, ...

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