





#### **INSPIRED BY THE FUTURE**

Inspired by future technologies and combined with the strength of over a century of experience in the development of specialty carbon additives for the most advanced applications, Imerys Graphite & Carbon markets high quality solutions for a wide range of needs.

All of our solutions are developed in close partnership with our customers representing diverse markets. Our particular expertise in the mobile energy market covers lithium-ion batteries, fuel cells, alkaline batteries and lead acid batteries. A global presence and extensive networks, state-of-the-art laboratories, scientists and technical experts support the continuous development of consistent, high quality products suitable for the most sophisticated applications.



# SPECIALTY CARBONS FOR LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES

#### **GLOBAL LEADER**

Imerys Graphite & Carbon is the global leader in conductive additives for lithium-ion batteries

Our C-NERGY™ line of extremely high purity graphites and conductive carbon black powders are used as conductive additives in the positive and negative electrodes of lithium-ion batteries.

#### The benefits of our products include:

- Increased energy and power density
- Cost reduction and operational efficiency

Our C-NERGY™ GHDR grades for the active mass of the negative electrode are made with our proprietary chemical vapor deposition coating – an environmentally friendly alternative to pitch coating. In addition, we have just introduced a new line of additives for the active mass. Adding a small percent of our QX Quick Charge line to your active mass will significantly improve your battery's charge and cycling rate, especially at low temperatures. Finally, our carbon-based dispersions are an ideal coating for the aluminium current collector.

Together with our premium range of products, Imerys Graphite & Carbon offers a chemical vapor deposition (CVD) coating service. In particular, the expected benefits for the anode materials for Lithium-ion batteries are:

- Low resistance
- Lower temperature performance improvement

- A more sustainable impact compared to other technologies





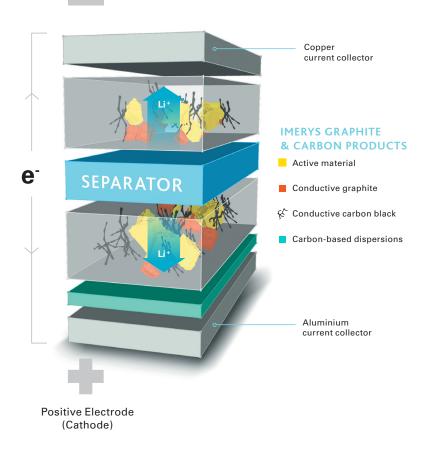


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CARBON BLACK
& GRAPHITE

# LITHUIM-ION CELL (LI-ION)

Negative Electrode (Anode)



COMPONENT	OUR PRODUCTS	VALUE
ANODE / CATHODE	Graphite Conductive Additives:	<ul> <li>Very high purity</li> <li>Increased safety</li> <li>Very high electrical conductivity and reversible capacity</li> <li>High density and low spring back</li> <li>Very efficient electrolyte wettability</li> </ul>
ANODE / CATHODE	Carbon Black Conductive Additives:	<ul> <li>High structure and low surface area guaranteeing exceptional distribution in electrode slurries</li> <li>Low moisture pick up</li> <li>Highly graphitic ensuring excellent system stability</li> <li>Reduction in OCV (open circuit voltage), which reduces rejection rate and improves safety</li> </ul>
ANODE	Graphite Active Additives:	<ul> <li>✓ Improved charge rate performance at room temperature</li> <li>✓ Improved charge rate performance at low temperature</li> <li>✓ Improved high rate cycling, especially at low temperature</li> <li>✓ Improved charge performance and low temperature performance of most anode materials</li> <li>✓ Improved performance of active materials that are already supposed to deliver high charge rate performance</li> </ul>
ANODE	Graphite Active Materials:	High reversible capacity     Excellent low temperature performance

## SPECIALTY CARBONS FOR FUEL CELLS

#### **COMPLETE PORTFOLIO**

Imerys Graphite & Carbon has a complete portfolio of carbon materials essential for the manufacture of fuel cells.

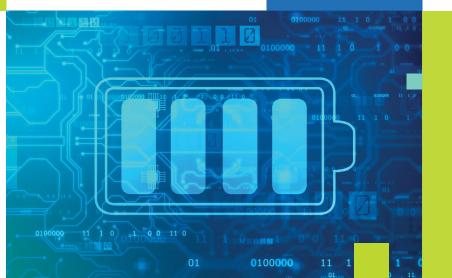
Our ENSACO® and C-NERGY™ conductive carbon black with optimized specific surface area and pore structure provide excellent catalyst support, ensuring low corrosion and good catalyst activity.

**C-NERGY™** carbon powders and **C-SPERSE™** aqueous dispersions have a strong impact on hydrophobicity and porosity, which allows to fine tune gas and water transport in the gas diffusion and microporous layers of fuel cells.

Finally, our TIMREX® graphites and ENSACO® carbon black can be used as additives to provide electrical and thermal conductivity to plastic/resin molded bipolar plates without compromising mechanical stability.







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## PEM FUEL CELL

Negative Electrode (Anode)	COMPONENT	OUR PRODUCTS	VALUE
	- BIPOLAR PLATES	Graphite and Carbon Black Conductive Additives:   ✓ TIMREX® KS (KS150, KS75, KS5-75TT)  ✓ TIMREX® SFG (SFG150, SFG75)  ✓ ENSACO® 250G, 260G  ✓ TIMREX® C-THERM™	<ul> <li>Electrical conductivity</li> <li>Thermal conductivity</li> <li>Mechanical stability</li> <li>Processability</li> <li>Low gas permeability</li> <li>High corrosion resistance</li> </ul>
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Positive Electrode (Cathode)	CATALYST SUPPORT	Carbon Black Support for Catalyst:	Optimized specific surface area and pore structure for low corrosion and good catalyst activity, enabling reduced precious catalyst dosage  Optimized pore structure for transport of gases and liquids  Can be burned off to recycle the precious catalyst at end of life

# **SPECIALTY CARBONS FOR ALKALINE BATTERIES**

#### **SUPPLIER OF CHOICE**

Imerys Graphite & Carbon is the graphite supplier of choice for alkaline battery manufacturers.

Our **TIMREX**® line is a complete offer of natural, synthetic and expanded graphite powders.

Used in the cathode mass, our highly crystalline and high purity graphite powders ensure electrical conductivity, while reducing gasing, increasing mechanical stability and processability of the cathode ring.

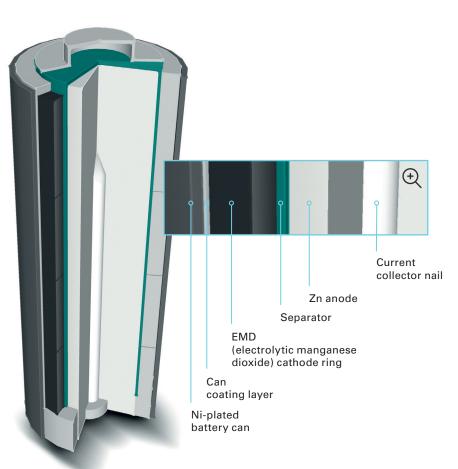
In addition, our TIMREX® aqueous graphite dispersions for can coatings further increase electrical conductivity while improving resistance to corrosion.

## Benefits of our solutions for improved electrical conductivity include:

- Cost and operational efficiency due to excellent processiblity and self-lubrication of graphite which minimizes tool wear



## **ALKALINE BATTERIES**



COMPONENT	OUR PRODUCTS	VALUE
EMD CATHODE RING	Graphite Conductive Additives:	<ul> <li></li></ul>
		<ul> <li>High electrical conductivity</li> <li>Designed to allow a high EMD/graphite ratio in order to optimize energy and power density of the battery</li> <li>Excellent processability</li> <li>High performance to price ratio</li> </ul>
	<b>⊘</b> TIMREX® BNB90	<ul> <li>Excellent electrical conductivity with very low percolation thresholds</li> <li>High mechanical stability</li> <li>High energy density</li> <li>High current drain</li> </ul>
CAN COATING	Graphite Dispersion:   TIMREX®  LB Aqueous  Dispersions	<ul> <li>Environmental friendly</li> <li>Improved electrical conductivity</li> <li>Improved discharge capacity</li> </ul>

# SPECIALTY CARBONS FOR ADVANCED LEAD ACID BATTERIES

#### A DIVERSE OFFERING

Imerys Graphite & Carbon provides to advanced lead acid batteries manufacturers a diversified offer of specialty carbon solutions to meet a wide range of needs.

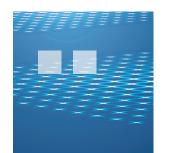
Our product range for this application is made of high purity expanded graphite TIMREX® BNB90 and TIMREX® CyPbrid $^{\text{TM}}$  4.

In addition to this TIMREX® CyPbrid™ 1, 2 and 3 are hybrid carbon solutions which combine the relevant properties of graphite and carbon black in a unique product.

The carbon black additive SUPER P® completes our offer as a high-purity and highly conductive carbon black with a moderate surface area.

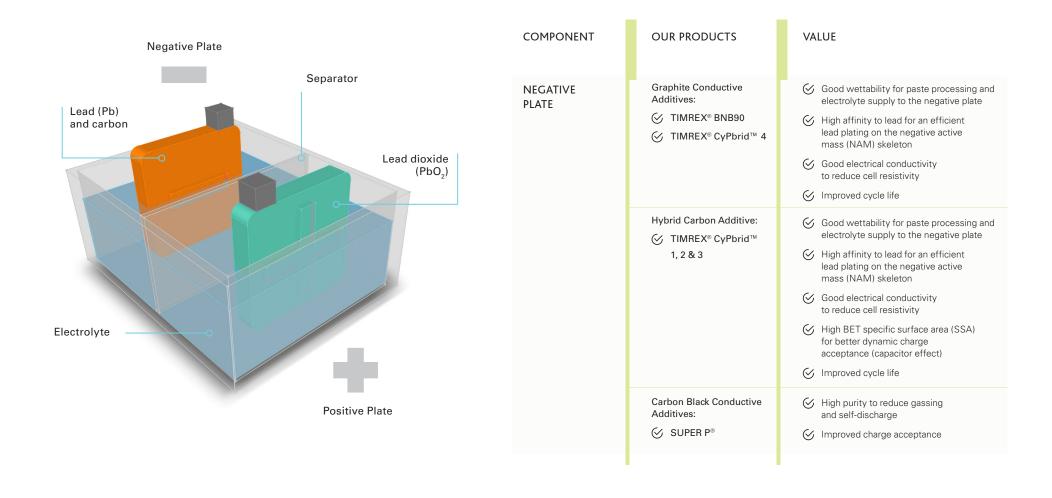
#### Benefits of our solutions include:

- Improving depolarisation negative plate in Advance Lead Acid Batteries





#### **ADVANCED LEAD ACID BATTERIES**







With production sites in Europe,
Canada and Japan and sales offices in
Europe, America and throughout Asia
we can ensure security of supply and
an optimal customer experience.

#### **OUR EXPERTISE**

Imerys Graphite & Carbon is a global company focused on delivering carbon based solutions for manufacturing and industry.

We have over 100 years of experience in the development and production of a wide variety of high quality synthetic and natural graphite powders, conductive carbon blacks, silicon carbide and water based dispersions for various end applications including, but not limited to:

- Lithium-ion Batteries
- Alkaline Batteries
- Lead Acid Batteries
- ✓ Fuel Cells
- Carbon Brushes
- Brake Pads and Clutches
- Powder Metallurgy and Hard Metals
- Refractories

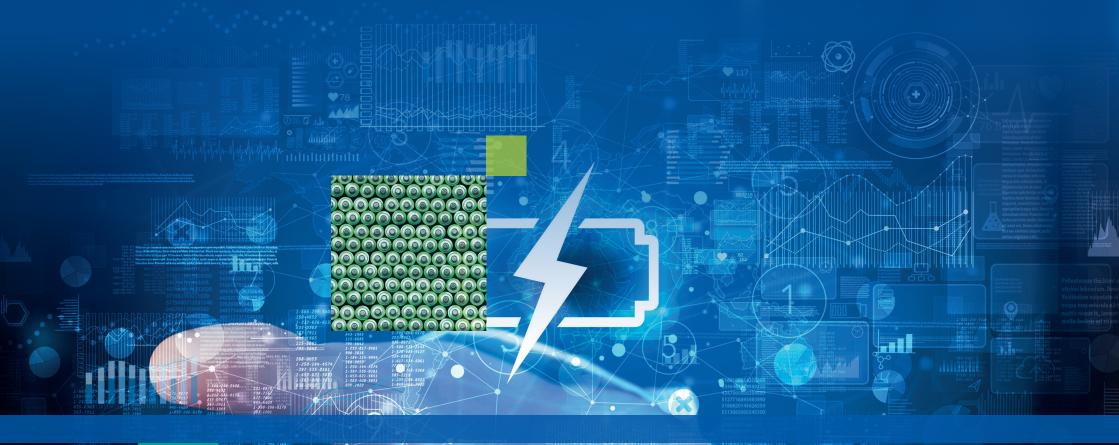
Our team of over 500 experienced professionals ensures we deliver optimal solutions for the technical challenges faced by our customers making us the market leader for:

- Conductive carbon blacks and graphites for lithium-ion batteries
- Graphites for resin bonded carbon brushes

# **IMERYS GROUP**

Imerys Graphite & Carbon belongs to Imerys Group, the world leading supplier in mineral based specialties for industry.

The Group draws on its understanding of applications, technological knowledge and expertise in material science to deliver solutions based on beneficiation of its mineral resources, synthetic minerals and formulations. These contribute essential properties to customers' products and their performance, including heat resistance, hardness, conductivity, opacity, durability, purity, lightness, filtration, absorption and water repellency.









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