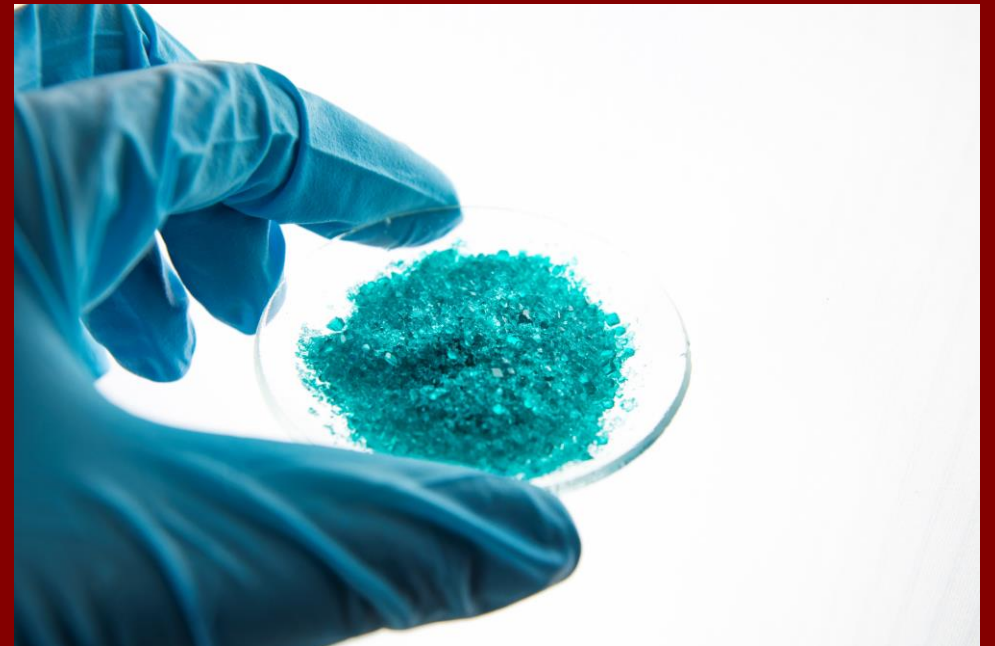




Hydrometallurgical research highlights at Aalto University

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Hydrometallurgy and Corrosion group



Group consists of ca. 25 researchers conducting research in

- **Hydrometallurgical processing** of primary and secondary raw materials - from fundamental phenomena to process simulation with LCA for environmental impact evaluation
- **Electrochemistry** - electrochemical metal recovery, characterization, as well as corrosion processes
- Utilizing **secondary raw materials** for the development of sustainable processes in **circular economy of metals**



From waste to resource

Infrastructure and methods used:

- *Leaching set-ups for different scale of experiments*
- *Set-ups for hydrometallurgical unit processes (precipitation, SX etc)*
- *LIB LAB for safe battery recycling*
- *Electrochemical set ups*
 - *Conventional cells*
 - *Bench pilot EW / ER*
 - *Continuous EQCM*
 - *RDE*
- *Analysis: solution, solids (chemistry, mineralogy)*
- *HSC modelling, simulation based life cycle analysis*
- *Part of RAMI (Raw Materials) Infrastructure*



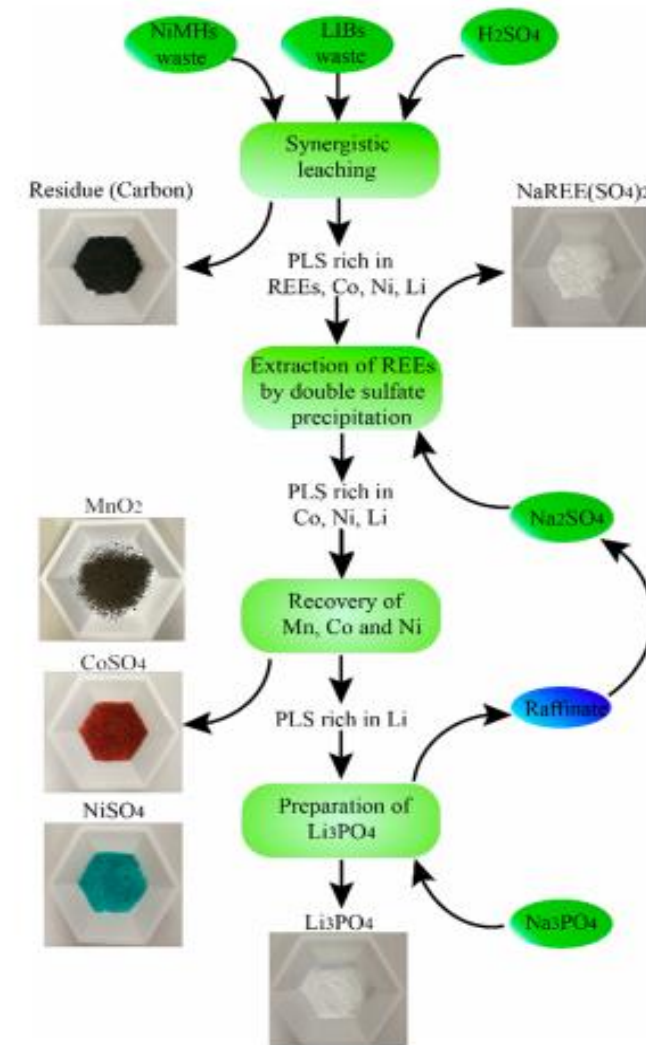
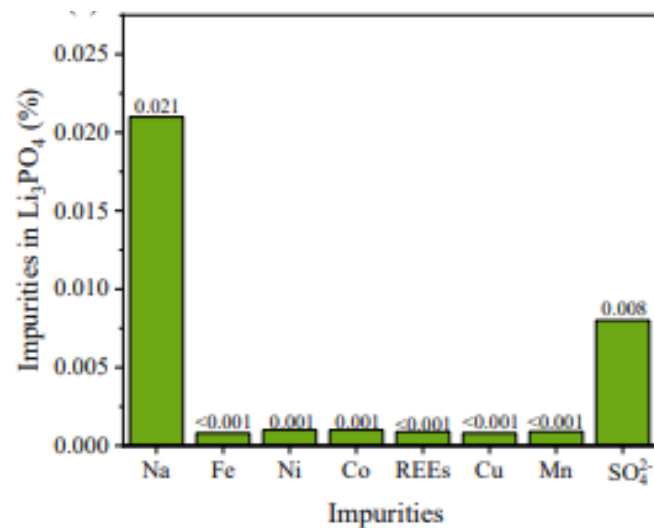
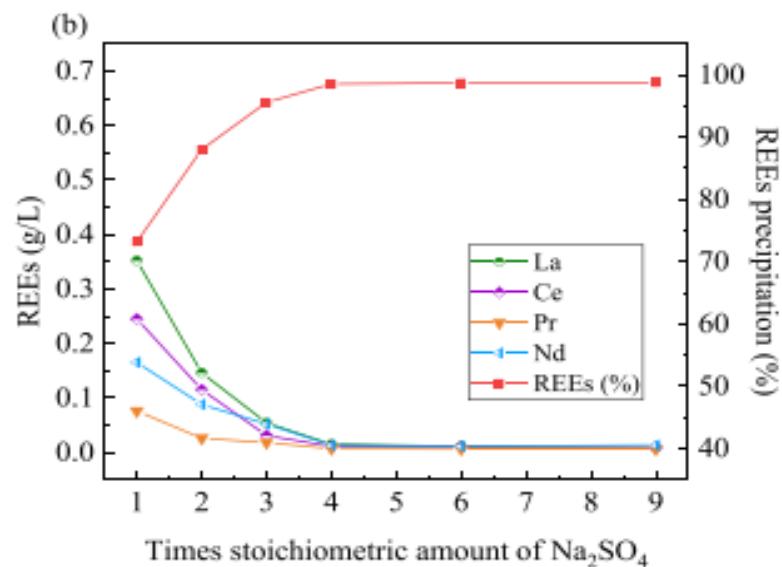
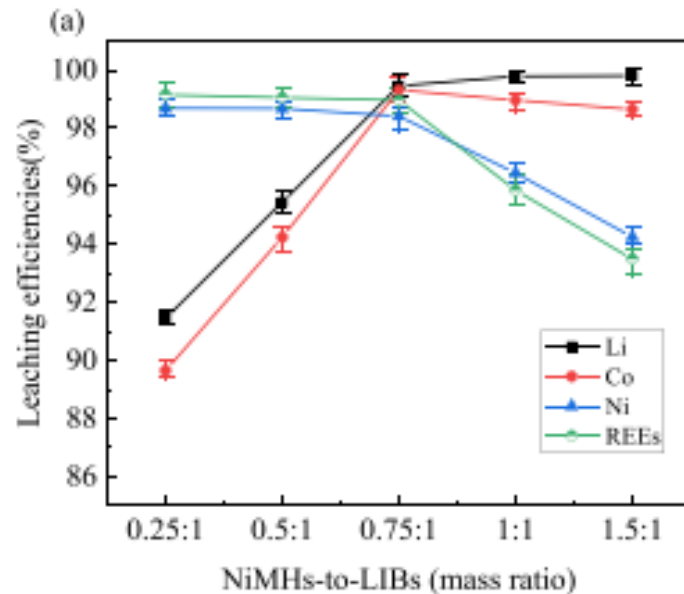
Example 1 Experimental LIB&NiMH recycling

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- Experimental study to optimize each unit process
- Suggestion of flowsheet

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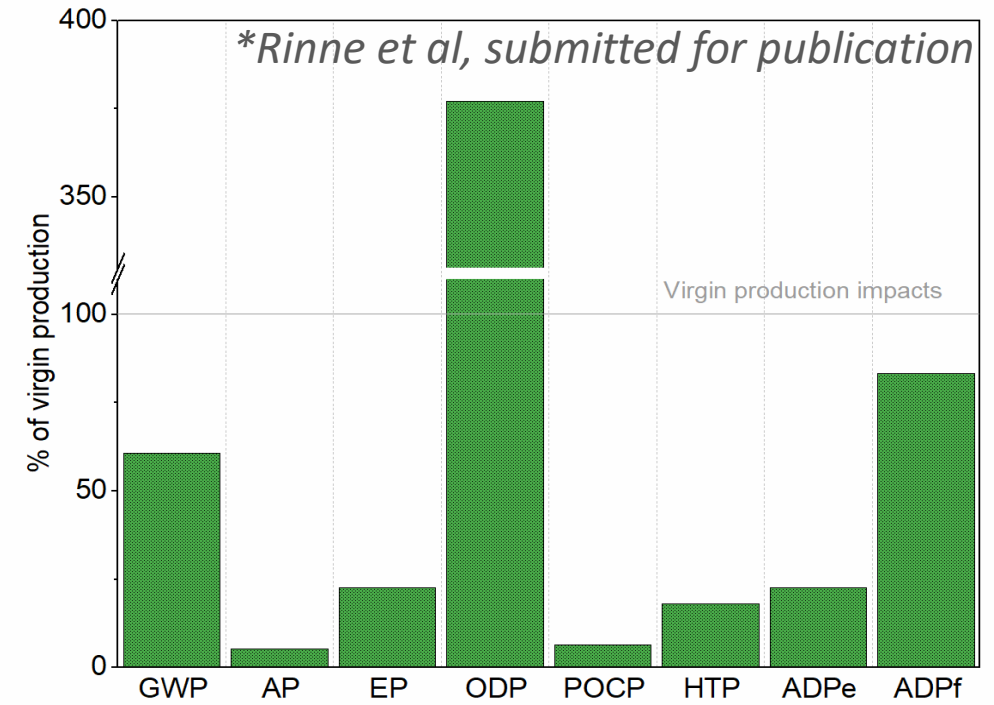
Example 2 Process modelling and LCA

Process modelling allows quantitative determination for e.g. process flows, chemical consumption, product amounts

Simulation based life cycle analysis allows comparison of recycling processes and their environmental impact to virgin impacts

INPUTS	SCE1	SCE2	SCE3	Unit
Spent NiMHs	0.43	0.43	0.43	kg
Spent LIBs	0.57	0.57	0.57	kg
Process water	26.69	23.84	18.22	kg
Electrical power	0.36	0.30	0.29	kWh
H ₂ SO ₄	3.15	3.36	3.15	kg
Na ₂ SO ₄	0.00	0.00	0.26	kg
KMnO ₄	0.05	0.05	0.05	kg
NaOH	2.10	2.27	2.10	kg
Na ₃ PO ₄	0.11	0.11	0.11	kg
Ca(OH) ₂	0.02	0.00	0.00	kg
OUTPUTS	SCE1	SCE2	SCE3	Unit
NiSO ₄ ·6H ₂ O	1.12	1.12	1.12	kg
CoSO ₄ ·7H ₂ O	0.68	0.68	0.68	kg
Li ₃ PO ₄	0.08	0.08	0.08	kg
NaREE(SO ₄) ₂	0.17	0.17	0.17	kg
MnO ₂	0.06	0.06	0.06	kg
Solid waste	3.45	0.34	0.54	kg
Waste water	17.31	19.72	19.33	kg
Oxygen	0.02	0.02	0.02	kg
Hydrogen	0.01	0.01	0.01	kg
Water vapor	10.34	3.35	3.08	kg

Table 1. The life cycle inventories of each scenario, normalized for 1 kg of mixed feed.



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Recent Battery Publications

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Selective lithium recovery and integrated preparation of high-purity lithium hydroxide products from spent lithium-ion batteries

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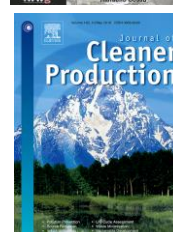
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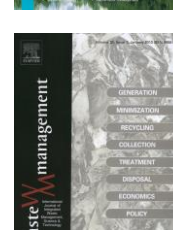
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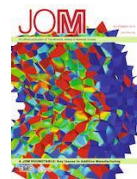
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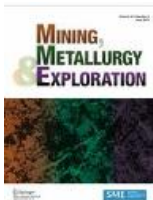
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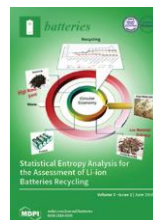
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