Supergen Energy Storage Network+

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At a glance...

- 19 investigators from 12 institutions
- £1m total with £800k from EPSRC
- £100k (cash) from the International Energy Storage Alliance for joint international projects

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- □ £450k of flexible funding
- □ **54+** supporting organisations globally
- □ £2m (in-kind support) from 34 project partners
- □ **48** months in duration
- 2nd September start date



Vision 1.3

The Network+ will be an integrated, forward-looking platform that communicates the expertise of the storage community to academia, industry and policy. Collaborating with stakeholders from different sectors and disciplines across the whole energy storage value chain, the Network+ will shape the future of energy storage research in the UK.





Objectives 1.3

- To better understand and visualise the energy storage community.
- To further integrate the energy storage community across discipline and sector.
- □ To collaboratively identify research areas for focus.
- □ To nurture talent and expertise.
- To set (and meet) ambitious, measurable goals for equality, diversity and inclusion.
- To complement existing activities, maintain and strengthen the UK's leading position in energy storage R&D.
- To become a focal point for the energy storage community and associated stakeholders, driving the storage agenda
- □ To deliver impact nationally and internationally.





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Project Overview

- A thriving, diverse & well-connected community for energy storage & related areas
- An authoritative & impactful energy storage document for all stakeholders
- Technology breakthrough ideas co-created through application-driven feasibility studies
- Comprehensive energy storage related data that is curated, accessible & sign-posted





WPo – Network management

□ Leads

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- Yulong Ding (Bham) with project management board (MB)
- □ T0.1 Recruitment
- □ T0.2 Setup of MB
- □ T0.3 Setup of advisory board (AB)
- □ T0.4 Monitoring and review
- □ T0.5 Communications
- □ Deliverables: Comms plan, MB/AB TORs, 12M rev

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WP1 – Network mapping

Leads

- Jonathan Radcliffe (Bham) and Alexandra Gormally (L'caster)
- □ T1.1 Data management strategy
- □ T1.2 Network mapping
- □ T1.3 Dissemination
- Deliverables: DMP, stakeholder analysis, data uploads to UKESTO





WP2 – ECR engagement and mentoring

- □ Leads: Paul Shearing (UCL) and Yongliang Li (Bham)
- □ T2.1 Working group set up and strategy
- □ T2.2 ECR engagement and data gathering
- □ T2.3 ECR forum
- □ T2.4 ECR mentoring
- T2.5 ECR targeted funding
- □ T2.6 Annual review

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Deliverables: ECR working group, engagement/mentoring strategy, ECR travel grants started, annual review of ECR programme

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WP3 – Equality, diversity and inclusion

\square EPSRC Data (2016-17) – only a snapshot!

Cat.	Apps	%	Awards	%
Asian/Black/Chinese/Mix/Other	495	17.9%	130	13.3%
White	2090	75.6%	790	81%
Not disclosed	180	6.5%	55	5.6%

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Ref: <u>https://www.ukri.org/files/rcuk-diversity-headline-narratives-april2017-pdf/</u>



WP3 – Equality, diversity and inclusion

- Leads: Sian Dutton (Cam) and Jihong Wang (UoW)
- □ T3.1 EDI working group formulation
- □ T3.2 EDI support plan development & execution
- □ T3.3 EDI monitoring & review
- Deliverables: EDI support plan, survey, full EDI plan online, EDI training, EDI data to MB





WP4 – Stakeholder engagement and knowledge transfer

- □ Leads: Haris Patsios (NU) and Phil Eames (L'boro)
- □ T4.1 Engagement strategy development & review
- □ T4.2 Stakeholder engagement activities
- □ T4.3 Knowledge transfer & impact activities
- Deliverables: User engagement strategy





WP5 – Flexible funding and management

- □ Yulong Ding (Bham) with management board
 - T5.1 Planning
 - T5.2 Flexible fund monitoring and impact
 - Deliverables: First FF issued, awards to FF recipients made, review of FF programme to-date and planning for round 2...
 - ECR presentation on Thursday!





WP6 – Research gap identification and whitepaper development

- Leads: Goran Strbac (Imperial) and Seamus Garvey (UON)
 - T6.1 Research gap identification & prioritisation
 - T6.2 Whitepaper development
 - T6.3 Review, refinement, launch/publication of whitepaper
 - Deliverables: identification of research gaps...post
 18 months...first version of white paper released

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Website to be launched this week!

Thank you





Current activity

- □ 9th July
 - Met with HLG representative to discuss Network+ plans
- □ 5th August
 - Recruitment for Network+ Manager post
- □ 7th August
 - Kick off and management board meeting
 - Agreed WPs, deliverables, AB structure
- □ This week

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Delivery of Supergen website

