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Are lithium carbonate production routes based on a single brine operation site?
While many different lithium carbonate production routes have been developed,existing life cycle assessments (LCA) of lithium carbonate production from brines are mainly based on a single brine operation site. Hence,current life cycle inventories do not capture the variability of brine sites and misestimate life cycle impacts.

What is a life cycle assessment of lithium carbonate production?
Life cycle assessment (LCA) of lithium carbonate production from conventional resources (i.e., brine and pegmatite) have been conducted over the past decades and have reached various results as summarised in Table 1.

Are life cycle impacts of lithium carbonate from brines underestimated?
This article has not yet been cited by other publications. Life cycle impacts of lithium carbonate from brines are underestimatedin the literature. Our global,regionalized life cycle inventory model demonstrates increasing impacts due to technology choic...

What are the environmental impacts of lithium carbonate production at the Atacama Desert?
Fig. 8 Environmental impacts of lithium carbonate production at the Atacama Desert,disaggregated to key contributing processes. Among all impact categories,use of NaOH and sodium carbonate,water supply,and electrical energy supplywere the most significant contributors,with minor additional contributions from other sources.

Which countries produce lithium carbonate (Li)?
More than two-thirds of the Li resources are located in Argentina,Bolivia,Chile,and Chinaas brine deposits,which hold great potential for future supply (Bertau et al.,2017; Kesler et al.,2012; Munk et al.,2016). The primary producer of lithium carbonate (Li 2 CO 3) from brines is Chile,followed by Argentina and China (S&P Global,2021).

What are the environmental impacts of lithium from brines?
A framework to assess environmental impacts of lithium from brines was developed. Impacts of lithium production from different brines are highly variable. The brine location considerably affects the overall impacts of Li-ion batteries.

Background The production of lithium is growing continuously, and ensuring its stable supply is crucial for the growth of global economy. Therefore, to avoid a potential supply risk, it is necessary to ...

Lithium batteries have been proven to meet these requirements. 2 This has made lithium a key element, putting pressure on countries with abundant reserves of the element. In fact, ...

Two companies produced a wide range of downstream lithium compounds in the United States from domestic or imported lithium carbonate, lithium chloride, and lithium hydroxide. Domestic production ...

The clean energy transition requires a considerable amount of different minerals, and lithium is one of the most critical elements owing to its use in...

Through the work of Robert Bunsen and Augustus Matthiessen, the first commercial production of lithium was achieved by Metallgesellschaft AG ...

This report provides a detailed literature review and preliminary life cycle inventory for producing lithium (Li) chemicals--lithium carbonate (Li2CO3) and lithium hydroxide (LiOH)-- from sedimentary clays in ...

As global demand for lithium carbonates continues to rise, the market is expected to see steady growth over the next decade. By 2035, market volume is projected to reach 499K tons, with a value of $6.6B.

Results show that lithium production from sedimentary deposits emits 22.6 tons of CO2eq per ton of lithium carbonate, with 65 % from carbonate mineral decomposition during leaching. ...

(C) and (D) shows the production of lithium carbonate and lithium hydroxide monohydrate in China from spodumene concentrate produced in Australia (emissions from mining are aggregated together with ...

m hard rock minerals or from ultra-salty brines. In 2022 approximately 60% of global lithium production came from hard rock deposits, primarily located in Australia, with the remainder (30% evaporation ...

Therefore, this paper presents a comparative life cycle assessment (LCA) to quantify the environmental impact of selected lithium ...

1. Price evolution In 2023, we witnessed a downward trajectory of prices as the market moved toward a supply surplus. Prices were impacted negatively due to the continuous destocking of inventories. We ...

A contribution of the work is demonstrating that these two operations have the lowest reported GHG global emissions per unit production of lithium carbonate and of lithium hydroxide, and ...

Emerging Trends in China"s Lithium Carbonate Market: Harnessing the Future of Energy Storage China"s lithium carbonate market is experiencing a transformative phase driven by ...

This study introduces a novel global LCA model of existing and future Li 2 CO 3 production from brine

deposits, aiming to bridge the identified ...

To achieve its ambitious national decarbonization goals, the United States has incentivized the domestic production of materials critical to decarboni...

Sustainability spotlight The global necessity to decarbonise energy storage and conversion systems is causing rapidly growing demand for lithium-ion batteries, ...

Direct Lithium Extraction (DLE) creates conditions to address this while potentially reducing environmental damage from production. However, DLE is also discussed in terms of energy- ...

The yield per unit area of lithium carbonate on the nucleation matrix made of tumbleweed is about four times as much as is achieved with other materials and the crystallization exceeds expectations.

Therefore, this paper presents a comparative Life Cycle Assessment study for three prominent and near-to-opening lithium clay projects globally: Sonora Mexico, Falchani Peru, and ...

Regionalized life cycle assessment of present and future lithium production for Li-ion batteries Regionalized life cycle assessment of present and future lithium

However, a comprehensive analysis of the carbon footprint (CF) of lithium has not yet been reported, posing a challenge to promoting battery ...

In this study, we have collected 51 salt lakes in Q-X-P. The natural conditions, extraction processes, market environment and relevant policies for extracting brine-type lithium ...

This article provides the first detailed analysis within economic geography of the GPN of lithium and of the Bolivian strategy of brine industrialization. Considering extractive and ...

The market penetration of EVs at a global level is expected to increase from 4% in 2020 to 31% in 2030 for total automobile sales (González and Cantallopts, 2021). This context determines ...

This study presents a systematic approach for LCA of existing and future lithium carbonate production from brines, which can furthermore be applied to geothermal brines or seawater.

The TRACI, ReCiPe, and AWARE methods of life cycle assessment were employed to evaluate the environmental footprint, indirect land use, and water footprint of lithium production from ...

Lithium carbonate may also be further processed to obtain lithium chloride and lithium-hydroxide, the latter of which is used in the manufacture of nickel containing (often called "nickel rich") lithium-ion ...

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Results of the resource production model show global lithium resources range from 293 to 527 million metric tons (Mt) of lithium carbonate ...

Battery grade lithium carbonate and lithium hydroxide are the key products in the context of the energy transition. Lithium hydroxide is better suited than lithium carbonate for the next generation of electric ...

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