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In order to establish a complete LIB circulation system, we will verify the principle of both the hydrothermal regeneration process and the hydrothermal carbonization process, and demonstrate the process as a circulation system at the laboratory level. In close cooperation with local companies, we will develop a regional circulation system for LMO-based LIBs, including the establishment of a route to collect waste batteries.

Through the three-year project, the use of hydrothermal technology for the regeneration of LIB cathode materials was examined for application to direct regeneration methods in conjunction with innovation in wet refining, and sufficient results were obtained to contribute to process design.

LCA analysis showed that the wet refining process is expected to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions to a greater extent than existing processes. Therefore, the technological development was successful as expected. Through interviews with local governments and companies, we were able to confirm that the establishment of an intra-regional circulation system is feasible. The research on circulating anodes proceeded as planned, and good results were obtained. We were able to investigate the battery characteristics of the regenerated cathode material and the circulating anode, and were able to establish a basis for adjusting the regenerated and circulating LIBs. From the above, it can be said that the results exceeded our expectations.

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