



# SOLID-STATE BATTERIES FOR EVs

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Strategic Roadmap Gen 4 SSB For Electric Vehicles

The Battery Show North America  
Novi, MI

September 2022



## Revenues

€ 20 Bn



## People

73,000



Transport & Logistics



Media & Communications



Energy Storage & Systems



Founded in 1822 as a paper manufacturer, the French company and family story successfully navigated through the 20th and 21st centuries with activities diversification in Transportation, Logistics, Energy distribution and storage as well as Media and Communications.

Celebrating its 200th birthday this year, the group has now become one of the 500 largest companies in the world and ranks amongst the top 200 in Europe.

Publicly listed, the group is majority controlled by the founding family and it is chaired since 2019 by Cyrille Bolloré.



**The stability of its shareholder base enables the group to pursue long-term investment and transformative policies.**

# Blue Solutions is the world's pioneer on SSB, with a global footprint and 20+ years of experience in design, development, and industrialization

## A unique know-how

**20+ years**

R&D in SSB

**10+ years**

Industrial operations

**Proprietary**

Lithium metal anode production

**Expertise**

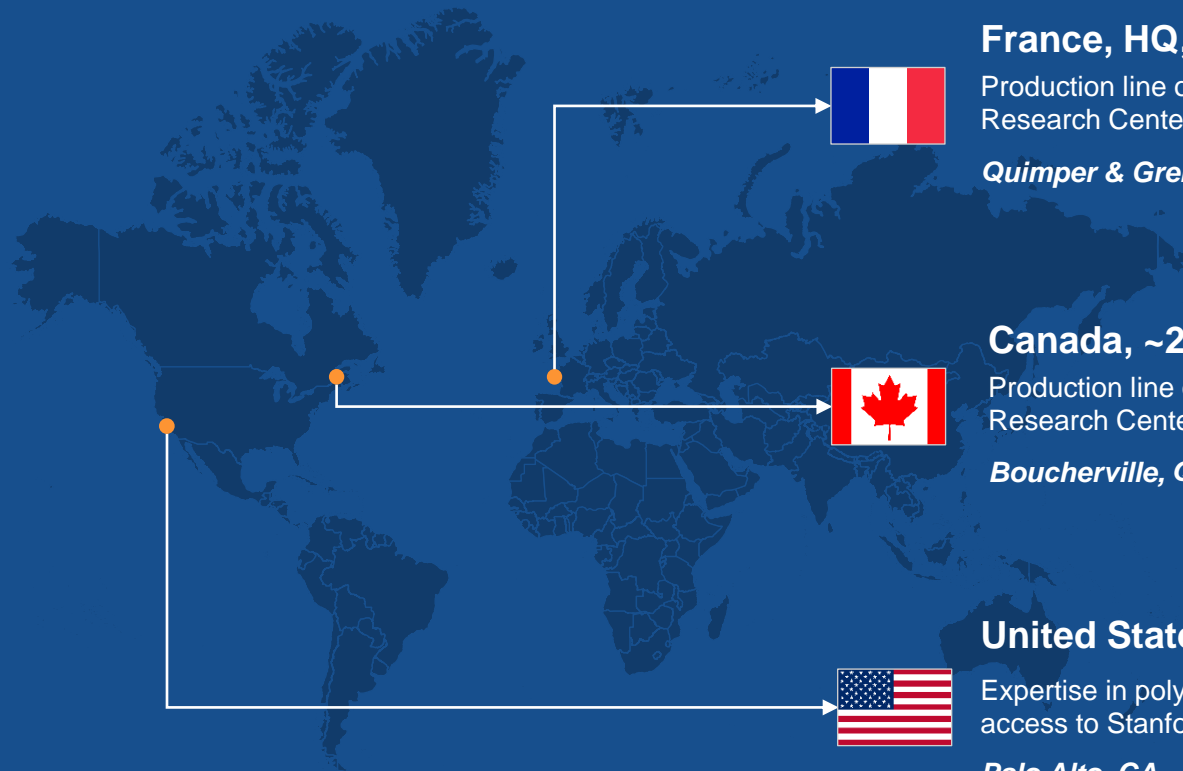
In extrusion & coating processes

**Innovative**

Electrolyte preventing dendrite creation and growth

**600**

Patents in the portfolio today



**France, HQ, ~300 staff**

Production line of Gen3,  
Research Center for Gen4

*Quimper & Grenoble*



**Canada, ~200 staff**

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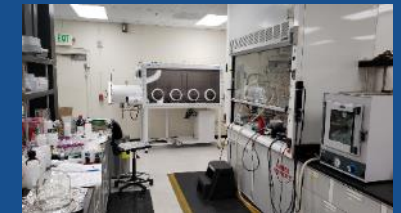
*Boucherville, Quebec*



**United States, ~10 staff**

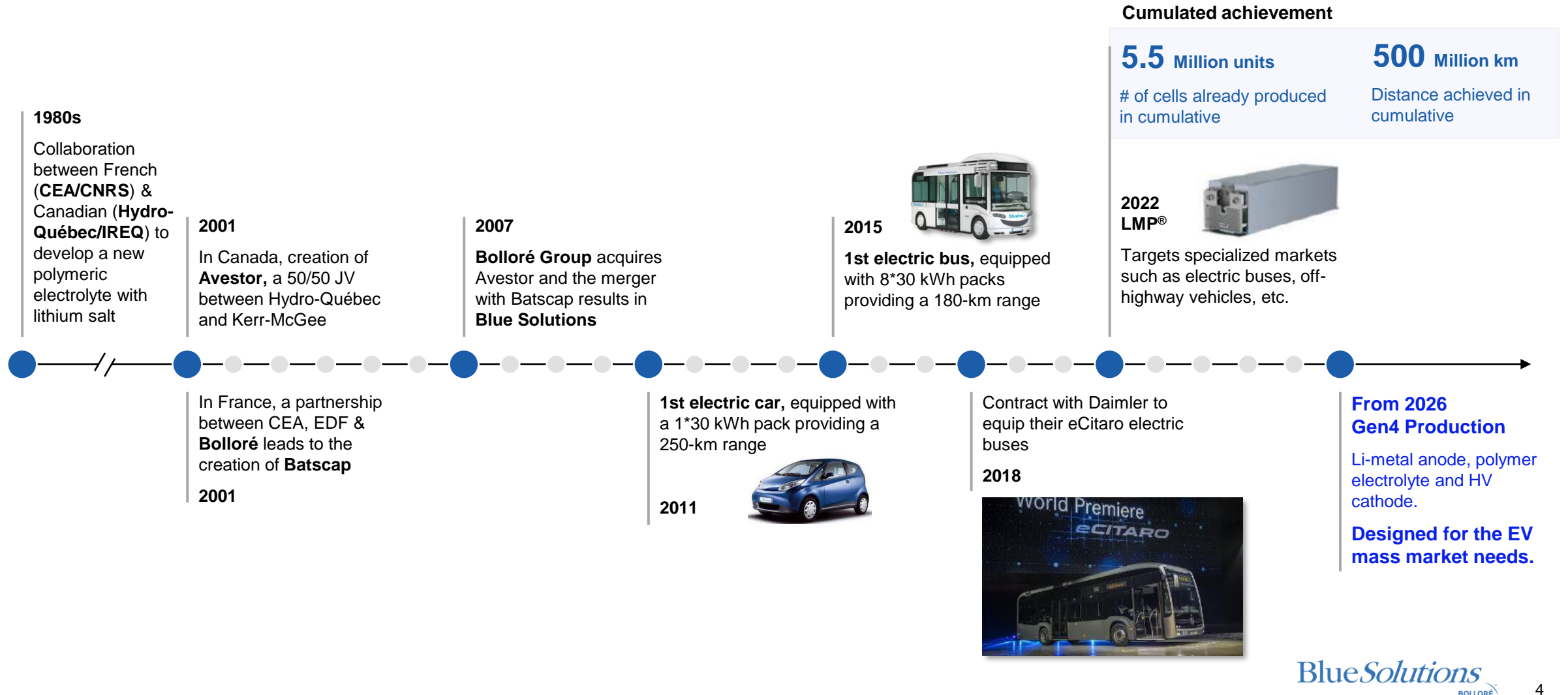
Expertise in polymer synthesis,  
access to Stanford lab equipment

*Palo Alto, CA*



# Blue Solutions is leveraging its strong industrial track-record

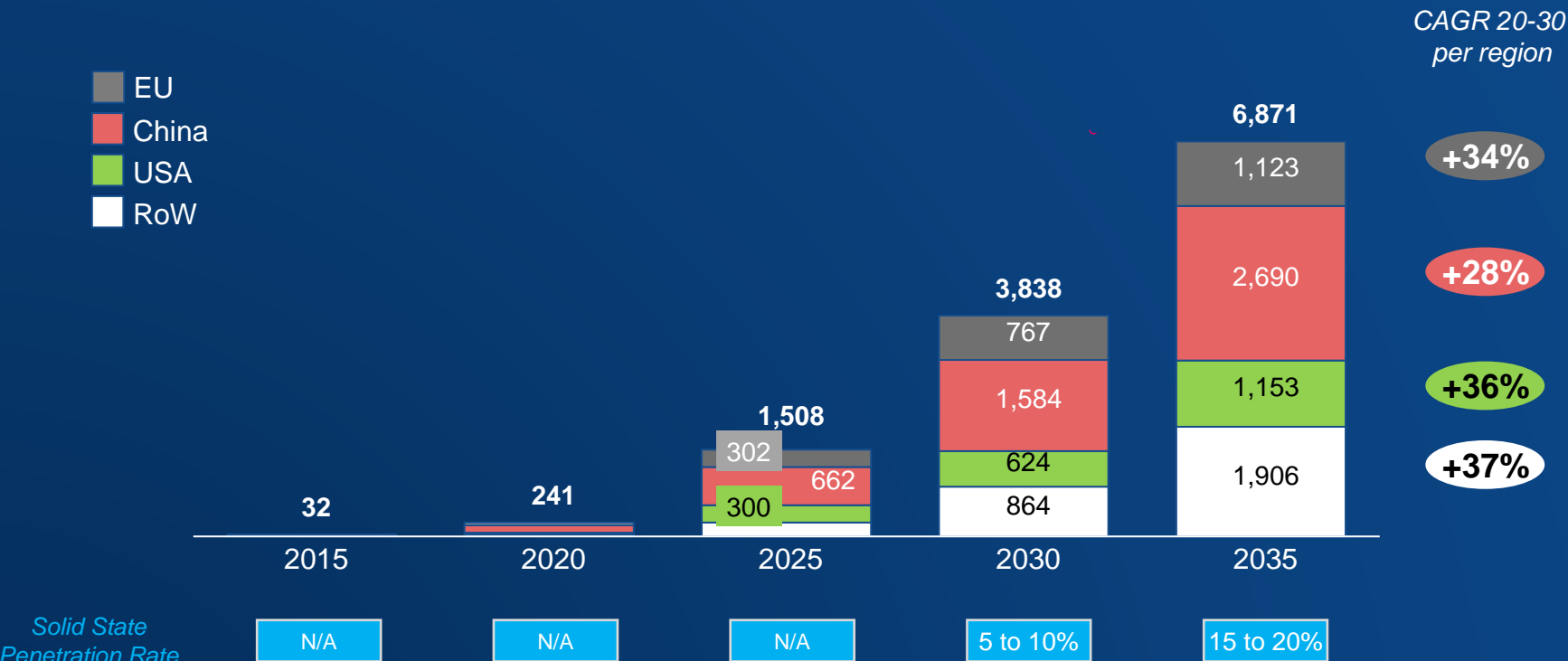
## Building on a decade-long R&D and manufacturing experience to develop the technology of the future



# Global batteries market to reach ~3,800 GWh by 2030...



Global battery cell demand by region & SSB Penetration Rate, in GWh



SSB will be introduced from ~2026 to significantly increase its penetration share to represent ~1,000-1,400 GWh by 2035



SSB market size is highly contingent to technology availability at the right performance and price and related to OEM partnerships to take SSB to the market.

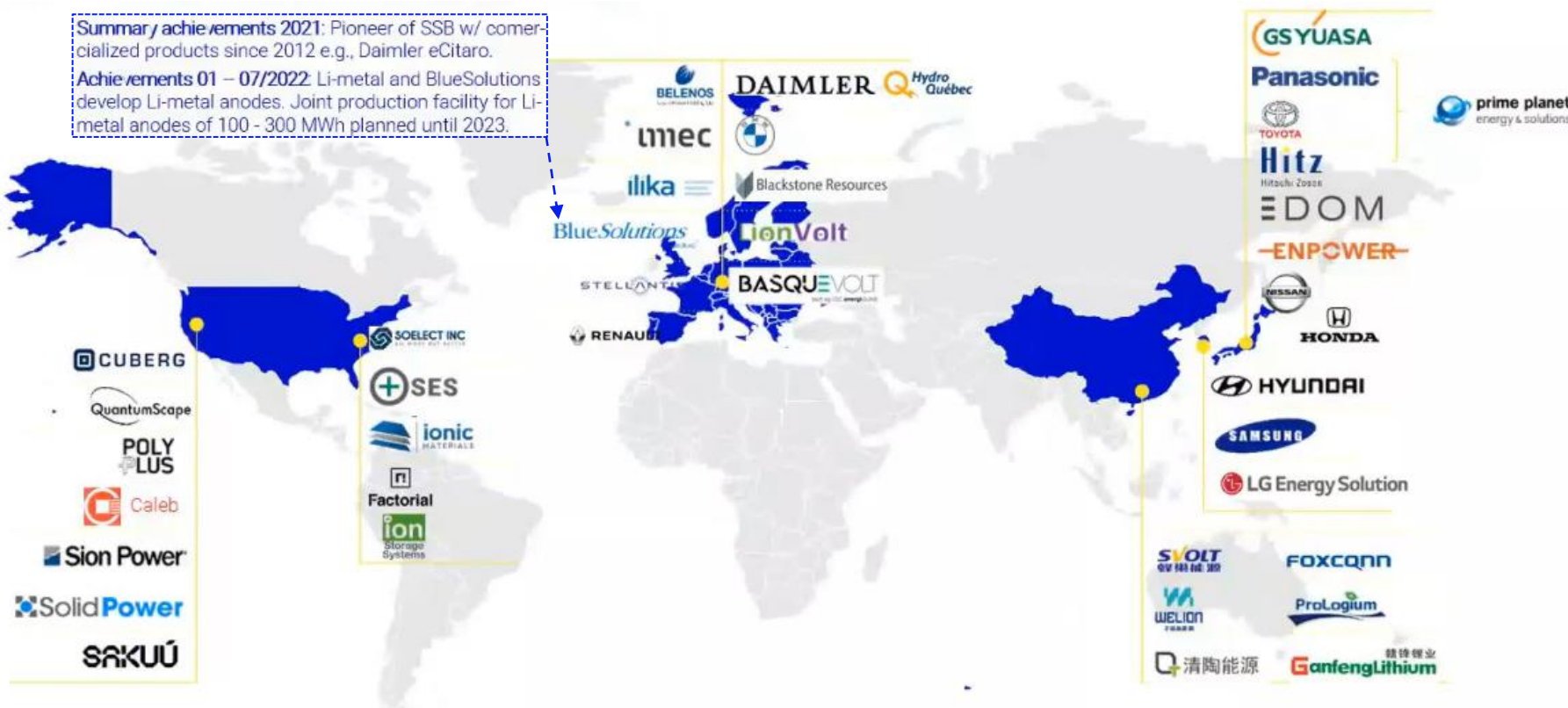
Market share of SSB estimated at 5-10% by 2030 and 15-20% by 2035 of the global battery market driven by safety and strong performance specs

Announcements of SSB peers and li-ion incumbents represents ~2-3x the expected market size in 2028.

# Solid-State Battery Players – Worldwide 2021/2022

Summary achievements 2021: Pioneer of SSB w/ commercialized products since 2012 e.g., Daimler eCitaro.

Achievements 01 – 07/2022: Li-metal and BlueSolutions develop Li-metal anodes. Joint production facility for Li-metal anodes of 100 - 300 MWh planned until 2023.



**Blue Solutions is well positioned to capture growth as the only commercial player in SSB market.**

In a realistic scenario, Blue Solutions' Gen4 could target ~15 to 20 GWh batteries sales by 2030 and >60 GWh in 2035 equivalent to more than 6% market share.

# Gen 4: choosing the right path for the technology

	GEL	POLYMER	HYBRID (polymer + ceramics)	OXIDE	SULFIDE	
Conductivity	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conductivity of basic polymeric electrolytes is not sufficient at room temperature</li> <li>Gel and hybrid can help bring down the temperature requirement</li> </ul>
Thermal stability	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Li-Ion organic solvent electrolytes unstable from 70-100°C. All solid electrolytes stable up to 250°C and more. Thermal stability will be defined by lithium metal anode (fusion at 180°C).</li> </ul>
Li metal compatibility	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Challenges related to foam with gels and to resistive passivation layer for sulfides</li> </ul>
Moisture stability	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Manufacturing challenge for all technologies</li> <li>But especially for ceramics, since process has to be in an inert atmosphere</li> </ul>
Manufacturability	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gel, polymer and hybrid easy to manufacture using roll to roll process; harder to roll ceramics (especially oxides)</li> </ul>
Pressure requirement	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	● ● ● ●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One of the biggest challenges for solid state is integration, because of the pressure requirements</li> </ul>

## Gen 4: asking the right questions

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Finding the right **compromise** between thermal stability, conductivity, cycle life, etc.



Going **from lab coin cells to production cells with > 20Ah capacity.**



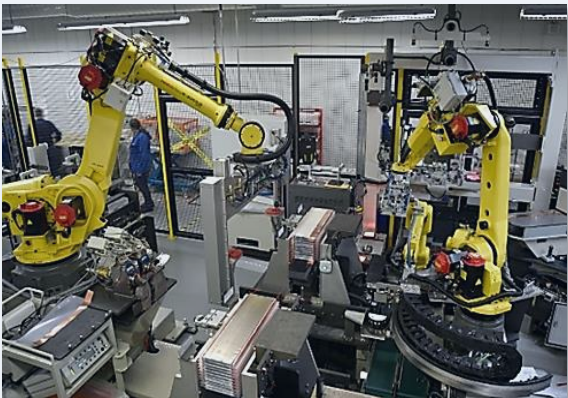
Designing a battery cell technology that can be **manufactured at industrial-scale.**



The ability to **integrate** it into a car **with volumetric & weight constraints.**

There is a challenging journey ahead!  
**Experienced players, realism, technical know-how will be key** to achieve a successful launch.

## Gen 4: based on a strong experience and lessons learned



To transition from the first coin cells produced in 1999 to the first commercially available battery modules, Blue Solutions had to overcome many challenges and develop an expertise that goes beyond the chemistry itself:

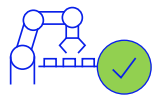
- Manufacturing and assembly process of **ultrathin films**.
- Specific processes dedicated to the production of **a thin metallic lithium foil**: anode in lithium metal down to 20  $\mu\text{m}$  thickness and 160 mm width.
- Overcoming **interface challenges**.
- Electrolyte **preventing dendrite creation and growth**.
- **Extrusion** process.
- Stacking of **several battery cell layers** (around 100 layers).
- A **dedicated recycling process** (industrial process readiness in late 2021 based on existing recycling pilot line).

# Introducing Gen 4 SSB for the EV Market

## Gen 4



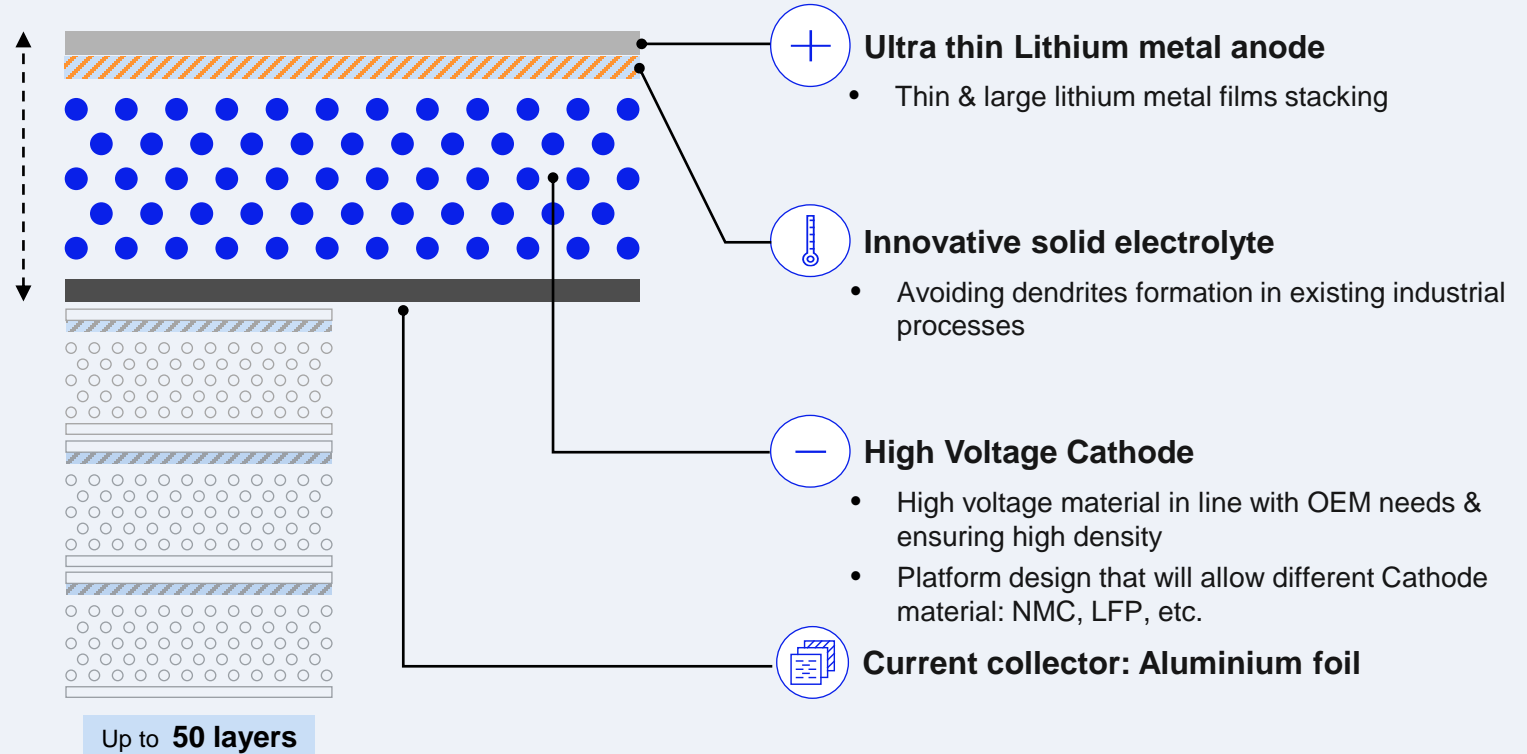
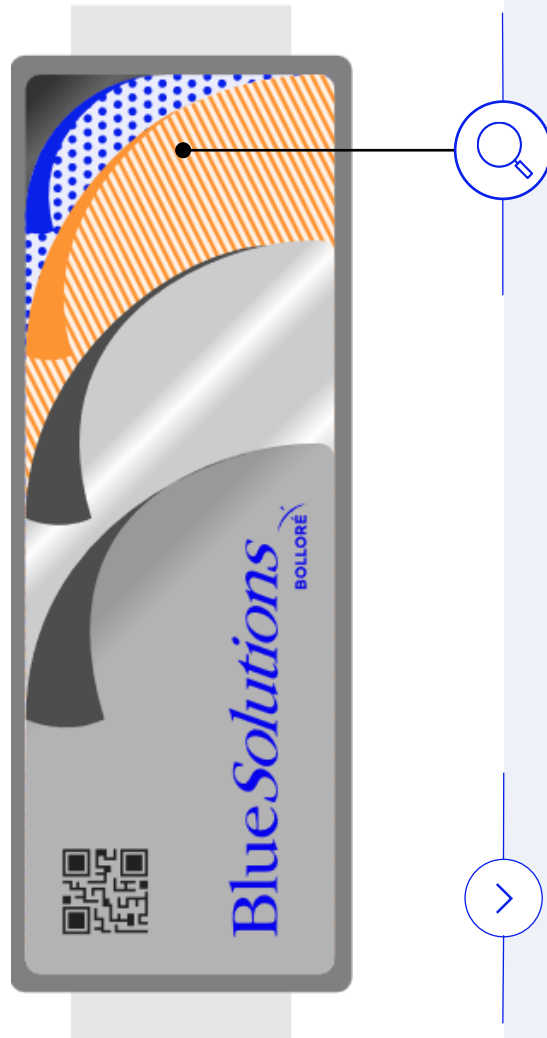
Know-How



Manufacturability



Maturity



**>900 Wh/L**  
Volumetric density

**>450 Wh/kg**  
Gravimetric density

**<100 \$/kWh**  
Price Target

**25-40°C**  
Operating Temp.

**15-20 mins**  
Charging to 80% SOC

# *BlueSolutions*

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