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INTRODUCTION

This document specifies how to report the various characteristics of nanoporous activated carbon for electrochemical capacitors, and how to incorporate these into a bilateral detail specification between vendor and user.

Electrochemical capacitors are widely used in the fields of electric vehicles, high speed trains, airplanes, photovoltaics, wind power and electronics, due to their ultra-fast charge and discharge capability, long cycle life, wide working temperature range, high security reliability and low maintenance cost [1]¹. Nanoporous activated carbon is the active material in electrochemical capacitors [2], [3], [4] (Figure 1), and is one of the most critical factors that determine the electrochemical performance of a device.

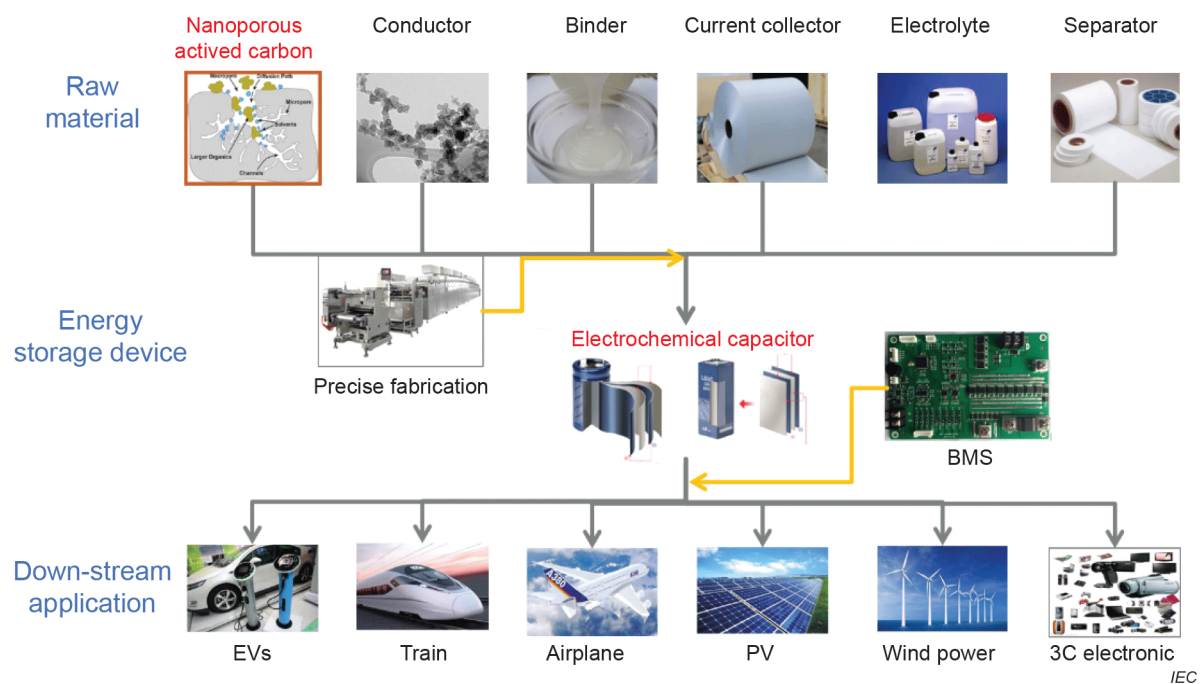
Both precursor and process will affect the chemical, physical and structural characteristics of nanoporous activated carbon remarkably. The precursor of nanoporous activated carbon can be biomass, pitch and resin. The production process can be gas activation using diluted oxygen gas, steam, CO₂, etc., or chemical activation using H₃PO₄, ZnCl₂, KOH, etc. The chemical, physical and structural key control characteristics (KCCs) will significantly affect the electrochemical performance of nanoporous activated carbon. For instance, the metallic impurities will affect the self-discharging and endurance in cycling, the pore size distribution will affect the specific capacitance and the DC resistance. However, not all relationships between the chemical, physical, structure and application properties of active materials are clear so far. In the commercial market, the KCCs will be good indicators to choose an appropriate nanoporous activated carbon. Therefore, it is important to report KCCs, including electrochemical characteristics.

For nanoporous activated carbon manufacturers, the accurate characterization is critical for product optimization, finalization and quality control. For electrochemical capacitor manufacturers, who use the nanoporous activated carbon, before the large-scale production of electrochemical capacitors, the correct and accurate characterization of KCCs can be good indicators for choosing the appropriate raw materials and achieving quality assurance

To permit common processing equipment and common unit processes with predictable and reproducible results to be used in different fabrication lines, it is important for nanoporous activated carbon characteristics to be described and assessed in a proper manner and to standardize the methods for quality control of the manufacturing processes.

In this document, the key chemical, physical, structural and electrochemical characteristics that will significantly influence the performance of electrochemical capacitors are listed. This document also provides information about measurement methods and existing standards concerning the correct determination of KCCs.

¹ Numbers in square brackets refer to the Bibliography.



Key

BMS battery management system

EVs electrical vehicles

PV photovoltaic power

3C computer, communication and consumer electronics

Figure 1 – Industrial chain of electrochemical capacitor

NANOMANUFACTURING – PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS –

Part 5-1: Nanoporous activated carbon – Blank detail specification: Electrochemical capacitors

1 Scope

This part of IEC 62565, which is a Technical Specification, establishes a blank detail specification (BDS) for

- nanoporous activated carbon

used for

- electrochemical capacitors

Numeric values for the key control characteristics are left blank as they will be specified between customer and supplier in the detail specification (DS). In the DS key control characteristics can be added or removed if agreed between customer and supplier

2 Normative references

There are no normative references in this document.

3 Terms, definitions and abbreviated terms

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3.1 General terms

3.1.1

nanomanufacturing

intentional synthesis, generation or control of nanomaterials, or fabrication step in the nanoscale, for commercial purposes

[SOURCE: ISO/TS 80004-1:2015, 2.11]

3.1.2

key control characteristic

KCC

material property or intermediate product characteristic which can affect safety or compliance with regulations, fit, function, performance, quality, reliability or subsequent processing of the final product

Note 1 to entry: The measurement of a key control characteristic is described in a standardized measurement procedure with known accuracy and precision.

Note 2 to entry: It is possible to define more than one measurement method for a key control characteristic if the correlation of the results is well-defined and known.

3.1.3

product specification

structured document which describes all characteristics of a product known to be relevant for applications of that product

3.1.4

blank detail specification

BDS

structured generic specification providing a comprehensive set of key control characteristics which are needed to describe a specific nano-enabled product without assigning specific values and/or attributes

Note 1 to entry: Examples of nano-enabled products are: nanomaterials, nanocomposites and nano-subassemblies.

Note 2 to entry: Blank detail specifications are intended to be used by industrial users to prepare their detail specifications used in bilateral procurement contracts. A blank detail specification facilitates the comparison and benchmarking of different materials. Furthermore, a standardized format makes procurement more efficient and more error robust.

3.1.5

detail specification

DS

specification based on a blank detail specification with assigned values and attributes

Note 1 to entry: The properties listed in the detail specification are usually a subset of the key control characteristics listed in the relevant blank detail specification or sectional blank detail specification. The industrial partners define only those properties which are required for the intended application.

Note 2 to entry: Detail specifications are defined by the industrial partners. SDOs will be involved only if there is a general need for a detail specification in an industrial sector.

Note 3 to entry: The industrial partners may define additional key control characteristics if they are not listed in the blank detail specification or sectional blank detail specification.

3.1.6

measurand

quantity intended to be measured

Note 1 to entry: If the quantity is a key control characteristic, the measurement is an essential part of the quality management system.

3.1.7

measurement method

process of experimentally obtaining one or more values that can reasonably be attributed to a quantity

Note 1 to entry: If the quantity is a key control characteristic, the measurement is an essential part of the quality management system.