M3D2:Purify active material

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- 1. Quiz + BE Communication lab workshop: Research Proposals!
 - 2. Prelab discussion
 - 3. Demo of FePO4-phage reaction
 - 4. Collect and wash active material: AuNP-Fe(III)phage nanowires
 - 5. Prepare TEM samples
 - 6. Prepare active material for 80°C vacuum oven

Congratulations! You're done with Mod2



M3 research proposal

- HW due M3D3 <u>in teams</u>: refine your topic and approach, doesn't have to be your final proposal, get feedback during downtime(s)
- During lecture Tuesday 5/2 team elevator pitches
- Finalize idea by M3D4HW (May 5th),
 one week in advance of presentation

Module 3: biomaterials engineering How does gold quantity affect battery capacity? active material: components in electrochemical rxn=charge/discharge cycles



Phage Biomineralization

- <u>**P8**</u> coat protein modified to include DSPHTELP, <u>**neg**</u> charged peptide
- Gold nanoparticles (AuNP •) incubated with phage for 24 hours after M3D1. 4.5 days
- Next phage/AuNP incubated in (NH₄)₂Fe(SO₄)₂ as a source of Fe³⁺
 - 90% efficiency!
 - Fe^{3+} back into solution if wait > 12 h
- PO₄³⁻ from NaPO₄ precipitates Fe(III)
- nucleation / accumulation / mineralization ensues
 - amorphous (a-FePO₄), not crystal
 - promising cathode material



Diagram of Mod3 battery

M13 phage: <u>scaffold</u> AuNP: <u>electrical conductor</u> Fe(III) PO4: <u>ion storage</u>



Set aside Fe(III)-phage-AuNP for TEM inspection

- The Fe(III)-phage-AuNP active material is in its purest form
 no impurities, binder, etc.
- Formvar coated Cu-grid
 - copper-orange side bottom
 - ✓ <u>silver/black side</u> where droplet deposited top
 - Practice handling it with tweezers







In lab today...

take photos, writing your observations

- 1. Demo of FePO4-phage reaction
- 2. Collect and wash active material (lots of long spins!)
- 3. <u>Practice</u> then prepare TEM samples
- 4. Prepare active material for 80°C vacuum oven
- During the downtime you should discuss and choose a topic for M3D3 homework (and potentially beyond!) submitted as a pair/team
- Remember class time 5/2 Prof. Belcher would like to hear elevator pitches from all groups.

NO LAB NEXT WEDNESDAY