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 $LiBH_4+Ca(BH_4)_2$ composite system for hydrogen storage JI YOUN LEE, YOONYOUNG KIM, YOUNG-SU LEE, JAE-HYEOK YOUNG WHAN CHO, Korea Institute of Science and Technology, Republic of Korea, DORTHE RAVNSBK, TORBEN JENSEN, University of Aarhus, Denmark, YNGVE CERENIUS, Lund University, Sweden — LiBH₄ is one of the promising candidates for hydrogen storage materials because of its high gravimetric and volumetric hydrogen capacity. However, dehydrogenation of LiBH₄ occurs above 400°C, which limits its use in its pristine form. By mixing with $Ca(BH_4)_2$, we have tried to lower the dehydrogenation temperature. The underlying design principle of this composite system is the recently proven reversibility of 6LiBH₄+CaH₂ composite and $Ca(BH_4)_2$ itself. Using differential scanning calorimetry and in-situ synchrotron XRD measurement, we observed eutectic melting of (1-x)LiBH₄ + xCa(BH₄)₂ at around 200°C in a wide range of x. The decomposition characteristics and the hydrogen capacity of this composite vary with x, and at a certain value of x we found that decomposition was finished below 400°C showing more than 10 wt% hydrogen capacity. Reversibility of this system was also confirmed.

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