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# Pioneering the Future of EVs and Battery Testing With Don Wright, Unico

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In this episode of the Battery + Storage Podcast, host Bill Derasmo is joined by Don Wright, vice president of engineering at Unico. Don shares his journey from Michigan to Austria, and finally to Wisconsin, where he now leads Unico's engineering efforts. He discusses the company's role in testing and developing cutting-edge technology in the EV space, and the importance of battery testing in determining battery lifespan and health.

Don also delves into the concept of a DC microgrid for testing more batteries at once without a huge infrastructure charge, and the potential for second-life batteries in this setup. He shares his insights on the future of battery chemistries, the challenges of solid-state batteries, and the potential of semi-solid-state batteries.

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