Supporting information



Fig.S1 XRD patterns of 10 wt% T-LMNCO sample



Fig. S2 Schematic view of the Layered@Spinel@Coating layer heterostructure (A); schematic

diagram of the lithium-rich layer cathode material (B); scheme of layered-to-spinel structural

C 0 -100 -100 dQ/dV /mAh·g-1v-1 -200 -200 - 3nd - 2nd - 1st ----- 3rd ------ 2nd ------ 1s t -300 -300 -400 U-LMNCO -400 1 wt%-LMNCO -500 -500 3 4 0 0 -100 -200 -200 -200 -100 -200 - 3rd - 2nd - 1st - 3rd - 2nd - 1st -300 -400 -400 2 wt%-LMNCO 4 wt%-LMNCO -500 L 2 -500 2 3 5 3 Voltage/ V 4 5 Voltage/ V

transformation (C).

Fig. S3 dQ/dV curves of all the samples for three cycles at 0.1 C rate



Fig. S4 Comparison of voltage fading rates of the cells with the synthesized cathode materials during cycling at 0.5 C (A) and 1 C rate (B).



Fig. S5 EIS spectrum of U-LMNCO and 2% T-LMNCO charged to 4.8 V after first cycle at 0.1 C

Two overlapped semicircles were observed due to different contributions of interfacial resistances. According to previous studies [1-2], the semicircle at high to middle frequency represents the resistance of the surface film (R_f), whereas the semicircle at middle to low frequency is attributed to charge transfer resistance at the electro-electrolyte interface (R_{ct}). The cells assembled with surface-modified $Li_{1.2}Mn_{0.52}Ni_{0.13}Co_{0.13}O_2$ exhibited much lower interfacial resistances than the cell with pristine $Li_{1.2}Mn_{0.52}Ni_{0.13}Co_{0.13}O_2$.

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To investigate the amount of metal dissolved into the electrolyte, the experiment proceed is as follows. The CR2016 cell battery is disassembled in the glove box after 30 cycles at 1 C rate, and then, soaked into the right amount of DMC (Dimethyl carbonate) for several hours. Take a certain amount of this DMC mixed solution, treated by same acid. The last, the data is obtained by ICP test. The value calculated is based on the active materials.

| Dissolution | | 1 wt% | 2 wt% | 4 wt% |
|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| after 30 cycles | U-LMNCO | T-LMNCO | T-LMNCO | T-LMNCO |
| Mn/ % | 0.40 | 0.12 | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| Co/ % | 0.19 | 0.1 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| Ni/ % | 0.1 | 0.06 | 0 | 0 |
| Cr/ % | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Table.S1 The amount of metal dissolved into the electrolyte