

*Electronic Supporting Information for*

**Egg-shell Structure LiCoO<sub>2</sub> by Cu<sup>2+</sup> Substitution to Li<sup>+</sup> Site via Facile Stirring  
in an Aqueous Copper (II) Nitrate Solution**

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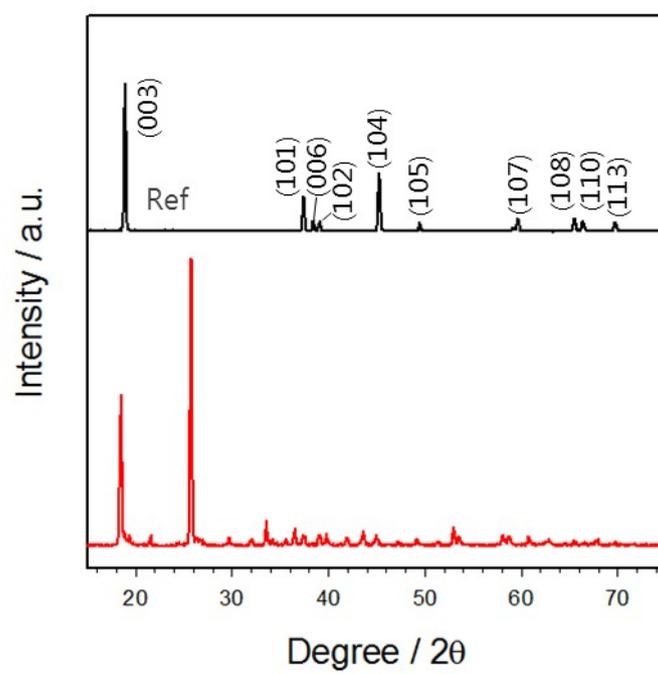
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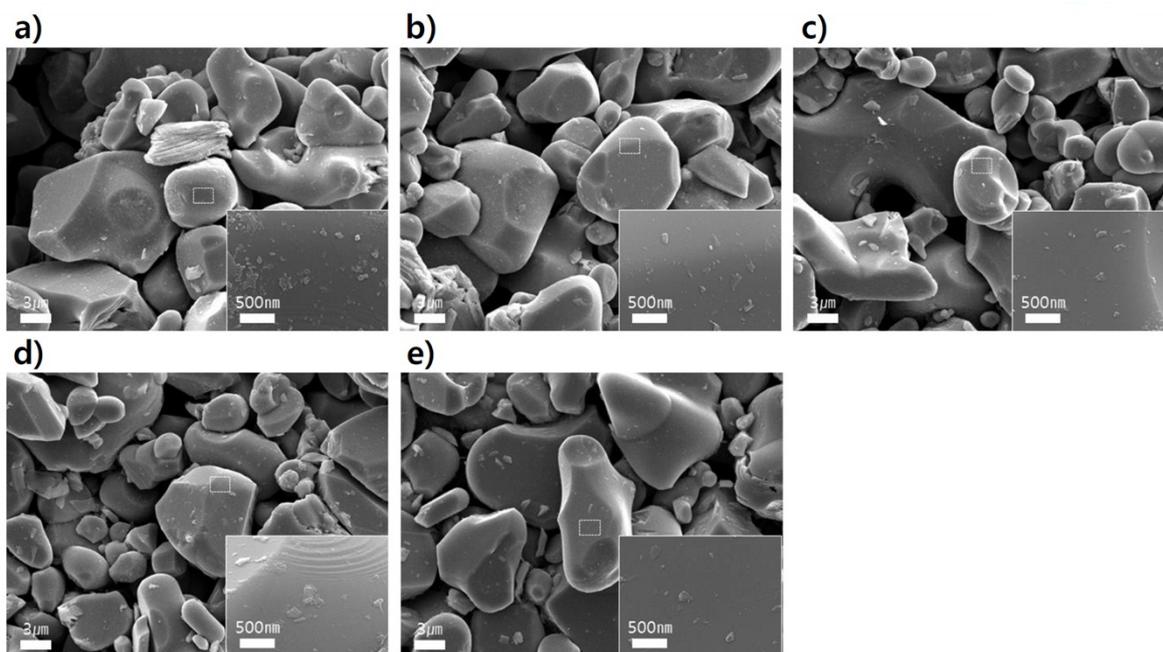
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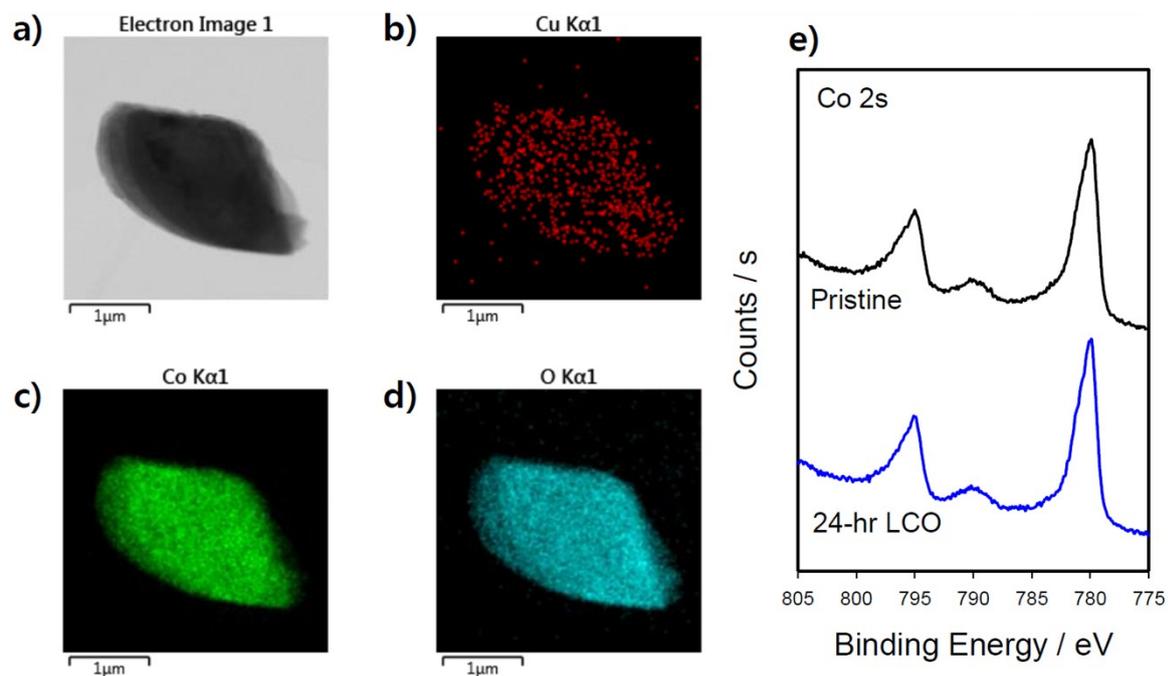
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**Fig. S1** XRD patterns from the stirred  $\text{LiCoO}_2$  in the 5 M  $\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2$  solution for 7 days.



**Fig. S2** SEM images of a) the bare  $\text{LiCoO}_2$  and the surface modified  $\text{LiCoO}_2$  after stirring in the  $0.5 \text{ mM}$   $\text{CuNO}_3$  solution by b) 6, c) 24, d) 72 and e) 144 hrs.



**Fig. S3** a) TEM image of egg-shell structure LiCoO<sub>2</sub>, b) EDS mapping images for b) Cu, c) Co and d) O. f) Co XPS spectra from the pristine and the 24 hr-LCO before cycling.

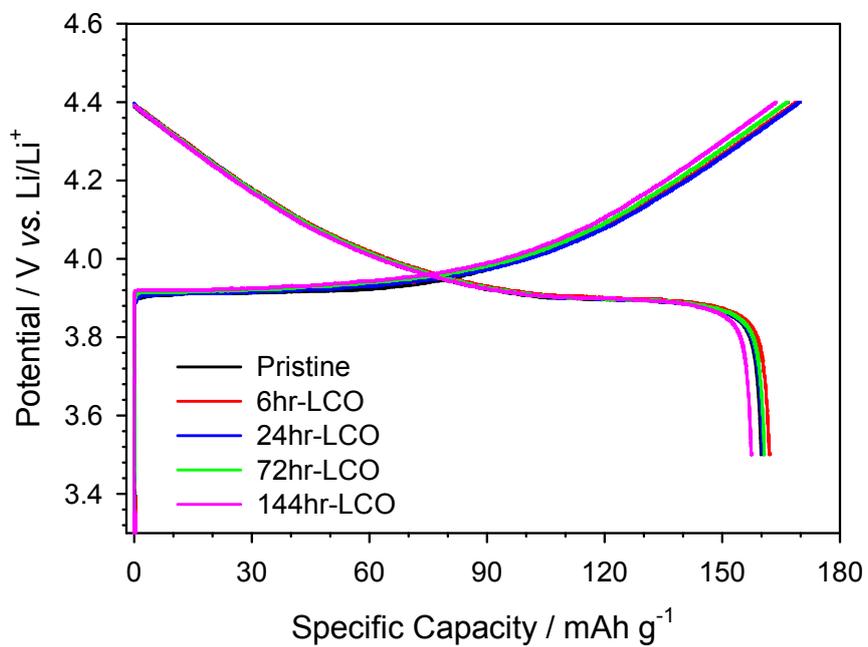


Fig. S4 Voltage curves at the 1st cycle from the coin type cells having pristine LiCoO<sub>2</sub> and the surface modified LiCoO<sub>2</sub> with different stirring time.

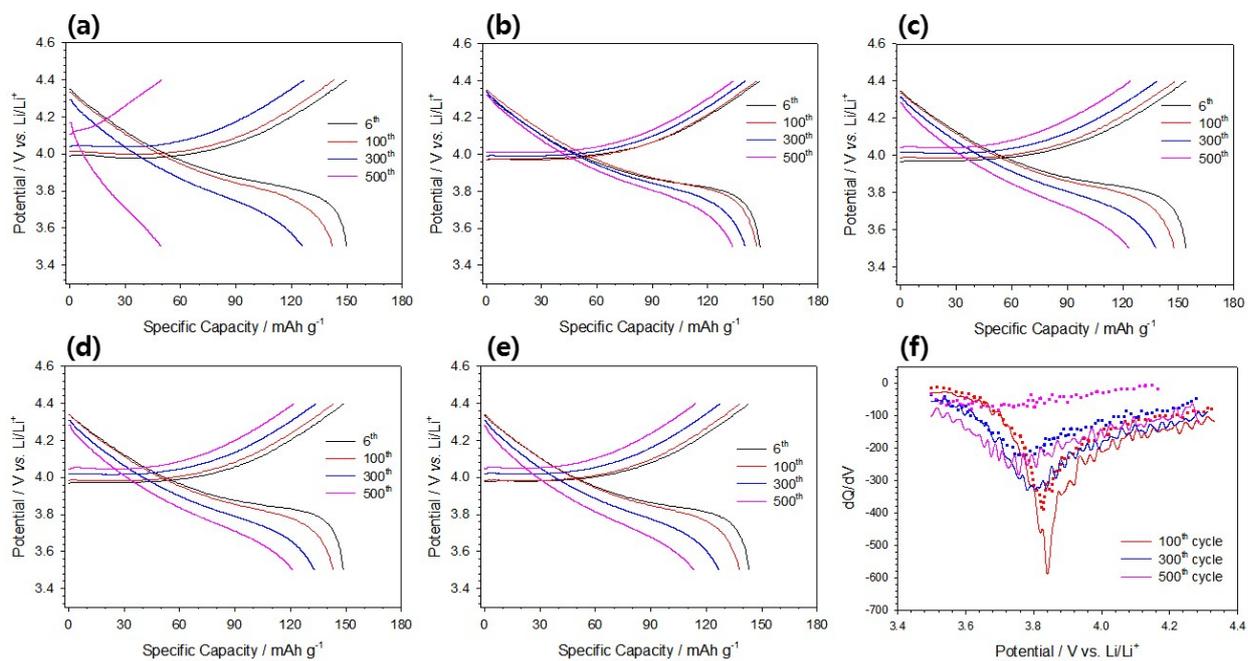


Fig. S5 Voltage curves obtained at the 6<sup>th</sup>, 100<sup>th</sup>, 300<sup>th</sup> and 500<sup>th</sup> cycle from the cell having a) pristine, b) 6hr-, c) 24hr-, d) 72hr-, and e) 144hr- LCO. f) The differential capacity vs. potential curves from the pristine and the 24hr-LCO cell are depicted.

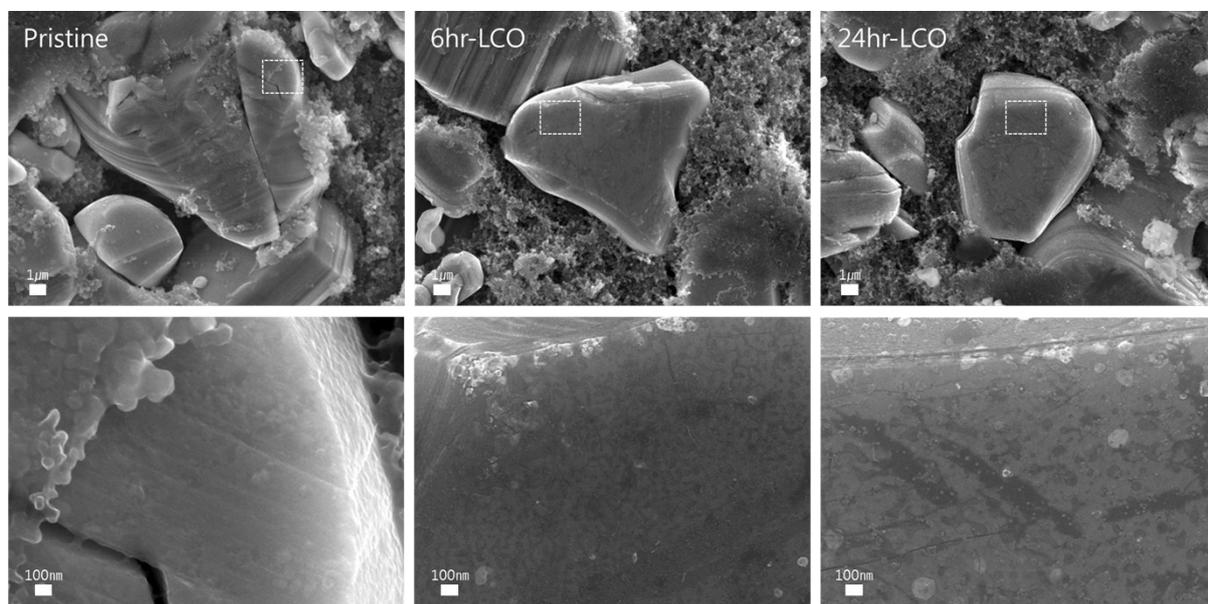


Fig. S6 FE-SEM images of the 500 times cycled electrode of a) pristine, b) 6hr-LCO and c) 24hr-LCO. Bottom images are enlarged one from the white dot square in upper images.

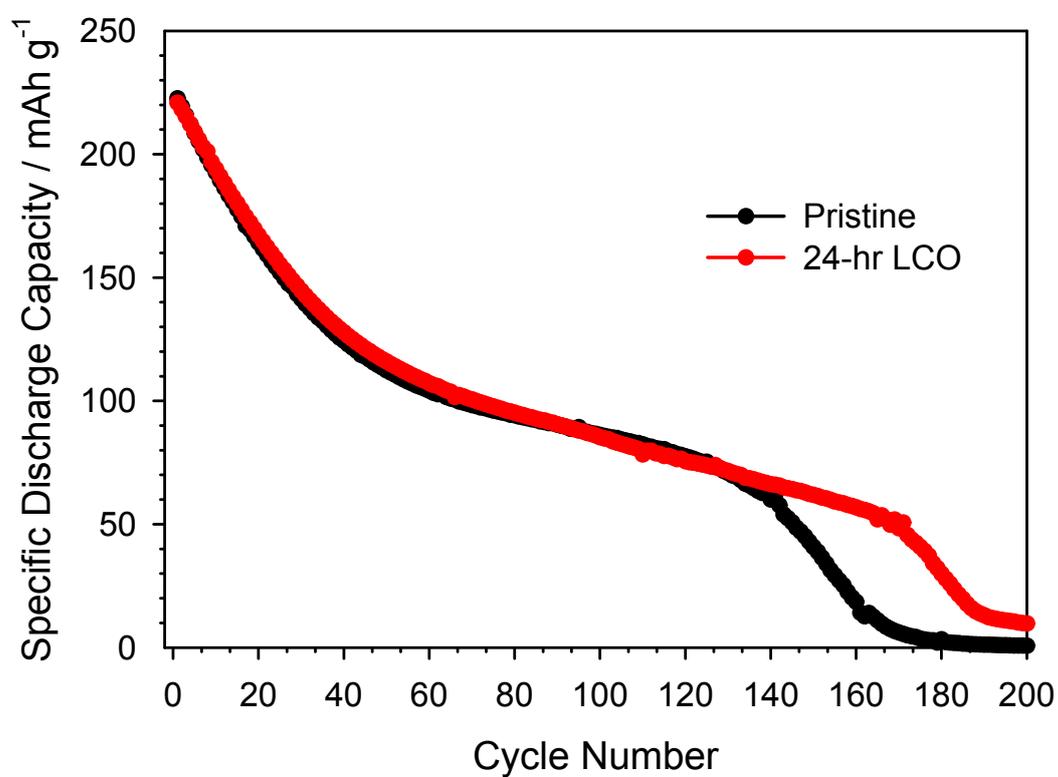


Fig. S7 Cycle life of the 2032 type coin cells having the pristine LiCoO<sub>2</sub> and 24-hr LiCoO<sub>2</sub> with a high cut-off condition of 4.6 V vs. Li/Li<sup>+</sup> at room temperature.