

Supporting Information

High proton conductance in nickel(II) complex and its hybrid membrane

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Table S1. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles(°) of **1**.

1			
Ni(1)-N(1)	2.106(1)	Ni(1)-N(4)	2.102(1)
Ni(1)-N(2)	2.061(1)	Ni(1)-N(5)	2.086(1)
Ni(1)-N(3)	2.079(1)	Ni(1)-N(6)	2.070(1)
N(2)-Ni(1)-N(1)	78.47(5)	N(5)-Ni(1)-N(3)	169.42(5)
N(3)-Ni(1)-N(1)	98.05(5)	N(5)-Ni(1)-N(4)	92.72(5)
N(3)-Ni(1)-N(2)	93.27(5)	N(6)-Ni(1)-N(1)	92.15(5)
N(4)-Ni(1)-N(1)	176.17(5)	N(6)-Ni(1)-N(2)	168.14(5)
N(4)-Ni(1)-N(2)	100.21(5)	N(6)-Ni(1)-N(3)	95.24(5)
N(4)-Ni(1)-N(3)	78.39(5)	N(6)-Ni(1)-N(4)	89.60(5)
N(5)-Ni(1)-N(1)	90.97(5)	N(6)-Ni(1)-N(5)	78.81(5)
N(5)-Ni(1)-N(2)	93.96(5)	C(1)-N(1)-Ni(1)	127.28(1)

Table S2. Hydrogen bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for **1**.

1				
D-H...A	d(D-H)	d(H...A)	d(D...A)	<(DHA)
O(2)-H(2A)...O(6a)	0.82	1.64	2.431(1)	162
O(4)-H(4A)...O(13b)	0.82	1.77	2.591(2)	176
O(10)-H(10B)...O(7c)	0.83(1)	2.29(2)	2.998(1)	144(2)
O(11)-H(11A)...O(9d)	0.86(3)	2.13(3)	2.934(2)	156(2)
O(11)-H(11B)...O(8)	0.87(1)	2.07(1)	2.923(1)	165(3)
O(12)-H(12A)...O(5e)	0.86(2)	1.98(2)	2.839(2)	171(2)
O(13)-H(13A)...O(14f)	0.85(2)	2.22(2)	3.051(2)	165(2)
O(13)-H(13A)...O(3)	0.85(2)	2.56(2)	3.121(2)	125(2)
O(13)-H(13B)...O(12g)	0.85(2)	1.94(3)	2.775(2)	167(2)
O(14)-H(14A)...O(3h)	0.86(2)	2.02(2)	2.754(2)	144(2)
O(14)-H(14B)...O(8i)	0.87(2)	2.03(2)	2.902(1)	176(2)
C(7)-H(7)...O(1j)	0.93	2.34	3.134(1)	143
C(9)-H(9)...O(5k)	0.93	2.58	3.188(2)	123

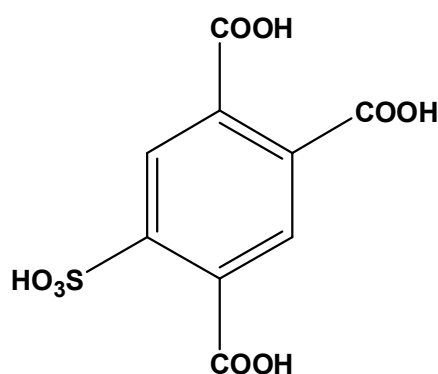
Symmetry codes: a) $-x+1/2, y-1/2, -z+1/2$; b) $-x+1, -y+2, -z$; c) $-x, -y+1, -z+1$; d) $-x+1, -y+1, -z$; e) $x, y-1, z$; f) $x, y, z-1$; g) $x, y+1, z$; h) $x, y, z+1$; i) $-x+1, -y+1, -z+1$; j) $x+1, y, z$; k) $x+1, y-1, z$.

Table S3. Proton conduction performances at high RH of some selected coordination compounds

Selected coordination compound	Conductivity (S·cm ⁻¹)	Measurement condition	Ea (ev)	Ref
[Ni(2,2'-bpy) ₄](H ₂ SBTC)(H ₂ O) ₅	1.3×10 ⁻⁴	313K, 98%RH	0.17	our work
[Cu(bipy) ₂ (1,4-BDMS)(H ₂ O) _{0.5}] _n	1.2×10 ⁻⁴	363K, 98%RH	0.37	1
{[Cu(py ₂ z)(5-Hsip)(H ₂ O) ₂](H ₂ O) ₂] _n	3.5×10 ⁻⁵	338K, 95%RH	0.35	2
Zn ₃ (IBT) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂	2.1×10 ⁻⁵	308K, 97%RH	0.14	3
Cu(H ₂ spip)Cl ₂ ·H ₂ O	1.1×10 ⁻²	368K, 97%RH	0.19	4
K ₂ (H ₂ adp)[Zn ₂ (ox) ₃]·3H ₂ O	1.2×10 ⁻⁴	298K, 98%RH	0.45	5
MFM-500(Ni)	4.5×10 ⁻⁴	298K, 98%RH	0.43	6
[{In ₂ (μ-OH) ₂ (SO ₄) ₄ }]·{(LH) ₄ ·nH ₂ O] _n	4.4×10 ⁻⁵	303K, 98%RH	0.32	7

Table S4. Proton conduction properties of some selected coordination compound composite membranes

Selected MOF composite membranes	Conductivity (S·cm ⁻¹)	Measurement condition	Ea (ev)	Ref
1@PVA-5	1.6×10 ⁻³	313K, 98% RH	0.78	our work
MOF-508@PVDF-55	1.56×10 ⁻⁴	338K, 100% RH	0.17	8
JUC-200@PVA-10	1.3×10 ⁻³	323K, 100% RH	0.46	9
Ca-MOF@PVP-50	5.7×10 ⁻⁵	298K, 65% RH	0.54	10
S-MIL-101@CS-4	6.4×10 ⁻²	373K, 100% RH	0.17	11
S-UiO-66@GO@SPEEK-10	2.7×10 ⁻¹	343K, 95% RH	0.10	12

**Scheme S1.** Structure of H₄SBTC ligand.

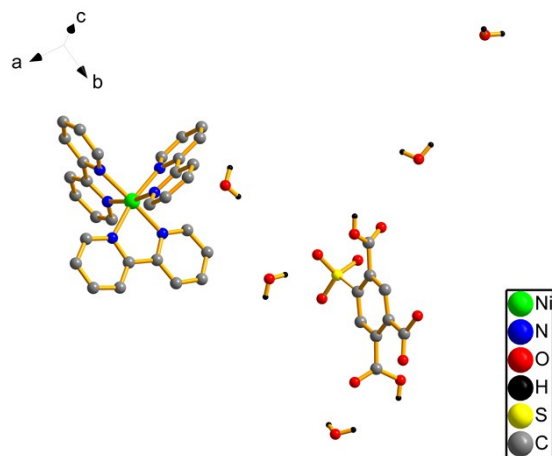


Fig. S1 Single cell diagram of **1**.

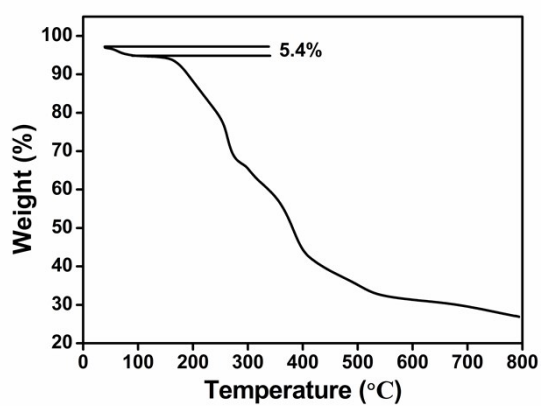


Fig. S2 TGA curve of **1**.

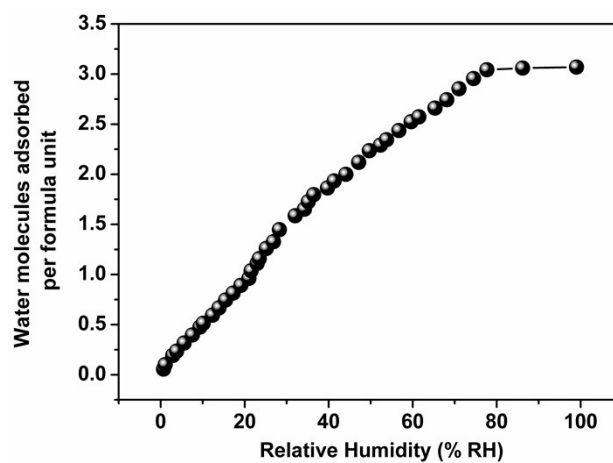


Fig. S3 Water vapor adsorption isotherms of **1** (at 25°C).

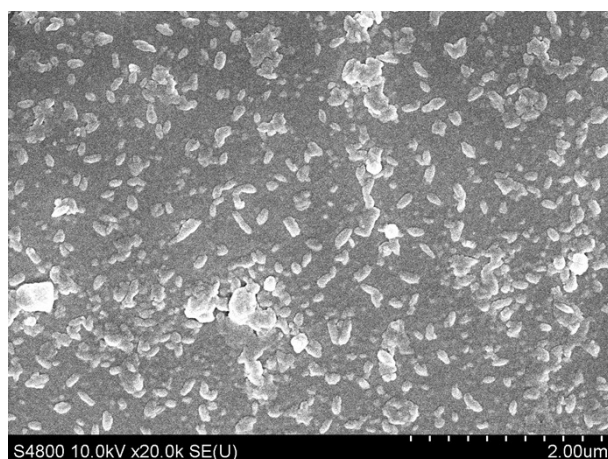


Fig. S4 The SEM image shows the surfaces of the 1@PVA-8 composite membrane.

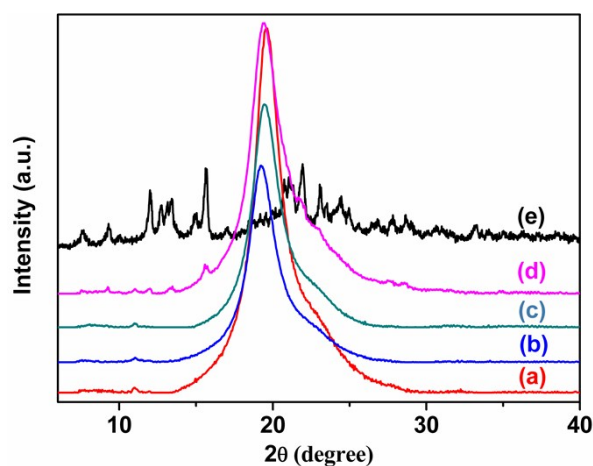


Fig. S5 PXRD patterns of pure PVA, 1@PVA composite membranes and 1 ((a) pure PVA, (b) 1@PVA-3, (c) 1@PVA-5, (d) 1@PVA-8, (e) 1).

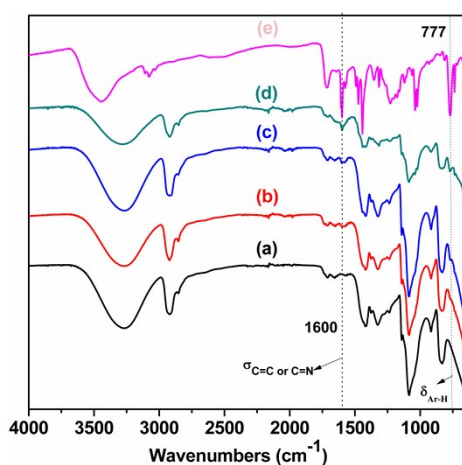


Fig. S6 FTIR spectra of pure PVA, the composite membranes and 1 ((a) pure PVA, (b) 1@PVA-3, (c) 1@PVA-5, (d) 1@PVA-8, (e) 1).

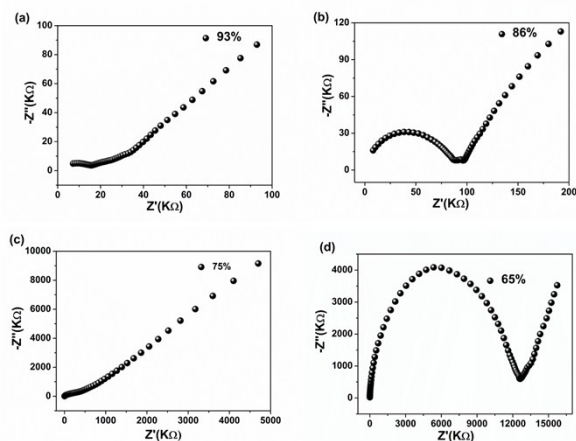


Fig. S7 Nyquist plots of 1 under different relative humidity at 298 K.

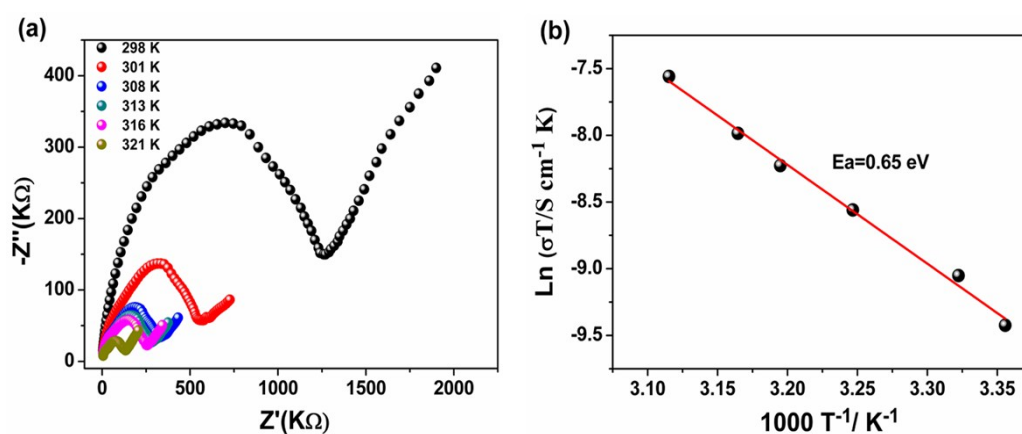


Fig. S8 (a) Nyquist plots of PVA at different temperature and 98% RH; (b) Arrhenius plot of $\text{Ln}(\sigma T)$ against $1000/T$ of PVA under 98% RH, the red solid line represents the best fit of the date from 298 K to 321 K.

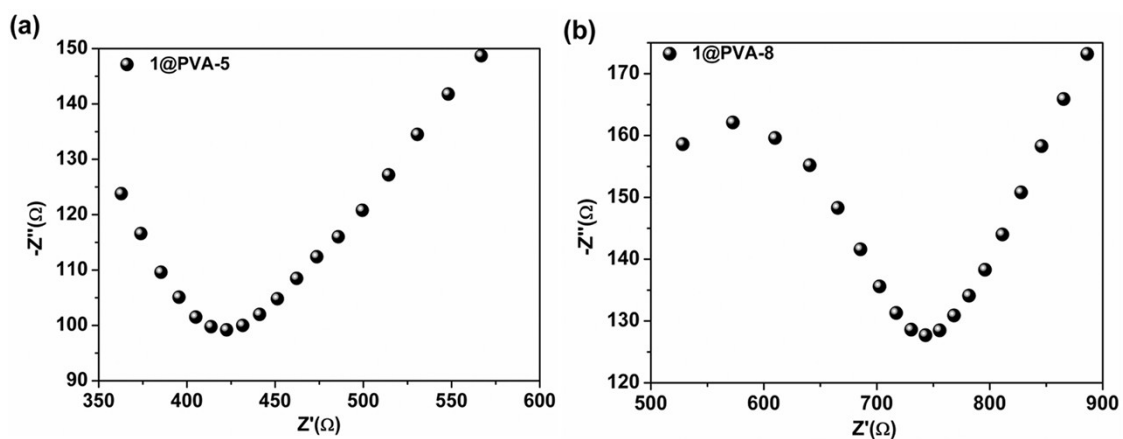


Fig.S9 Nyquist plot of 1@PVA-5 (a) and 1@PVA-8 (b) at 298 K under 98% RH.

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