

Electronic supplementary information

Nano-MgO/AB Decorated Separator to Suppress Shuttle Effect of Lithium-Sulfur Battery

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Table S1 The discharge specific capacity of the Li-S batteries with various separators at 0.2C.

Modified separator	Initial discharge specific capacity (mAh g ⁻¹)	100 th discharge specific capacity (mAh g ⁻¹)
AB Separator	1220.8	754.7
MgO-25 Separator	1238.1	875
MgO-50 Separator	1141.9	850.5
MgO-75 Separator	1033.1	793.9
MgO-100 Separator	1080	511.6
Celgard 2400 separator	1059.5	638.7

Table S2 Electrical conductivity of the various as-prepared separator.

Modified separator	25 °C electrical resistivity (Ω/m)	25 °C electrical conductivity (S/m)
AB Separator	293.717	3.405×10 ⁻³
MgO-25 Separator	623.189	1.605×10 ⁻³
MgO-50 Separator	1005.079	0.995×10 ⁻³
MgO-75 Separator	8074.907	0.124×10 ⁻³

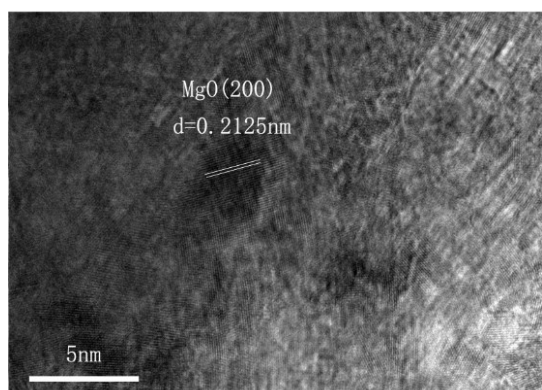


Fig.S1. The HRTEM images of nano-MgO.

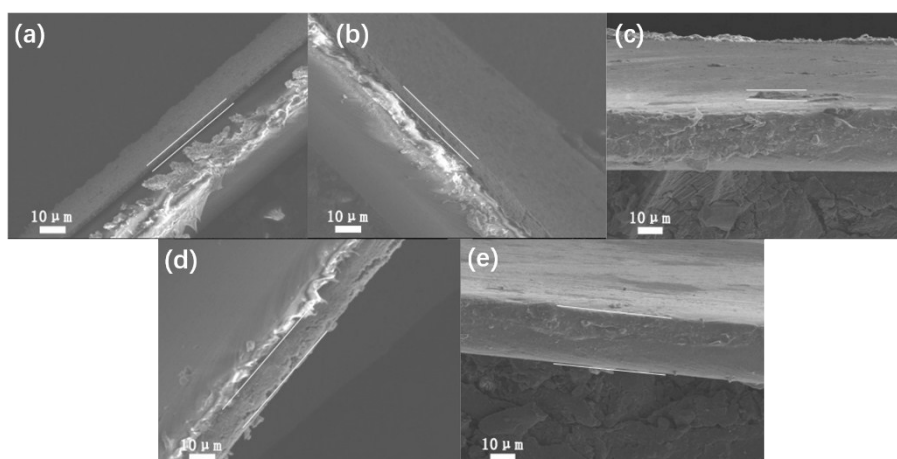


Fig.S2. The cross-sectional images of (a) MgO-50 separator, (b) MgO-75 separator, (c) MgO-100 separator, (d) AB separator and (e) Celgard 2400 separator.

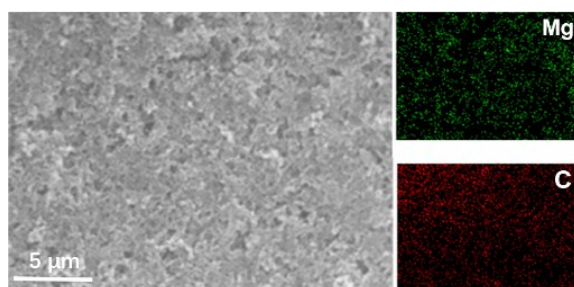


Fig.S3. The SEM images and the EDS spectrums of MgO-50 separator.

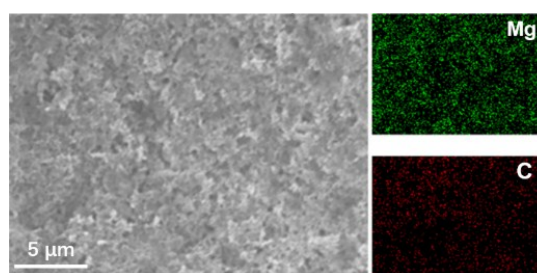


Fig.S4. The SEM images and the EDS spectrums of MgO-75 separator.

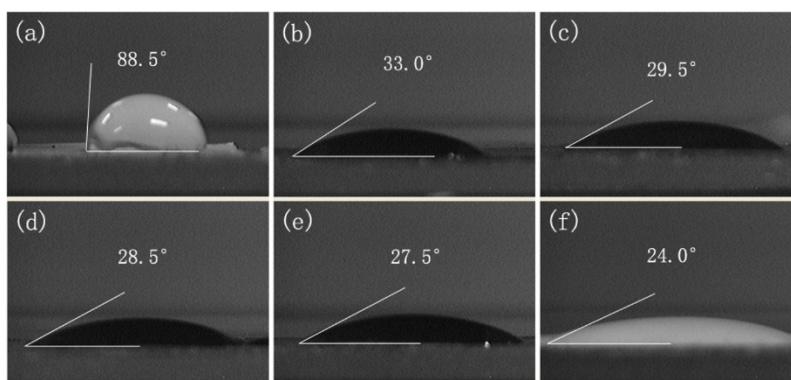


Fig.S5. The water contact angle for (a) Celgard 2400 separator, (b) AB separator, (c) MgO-25 separator, (d) MgO-50 separator, (e) MgO-75 separator and (f) MgO-100 separator.

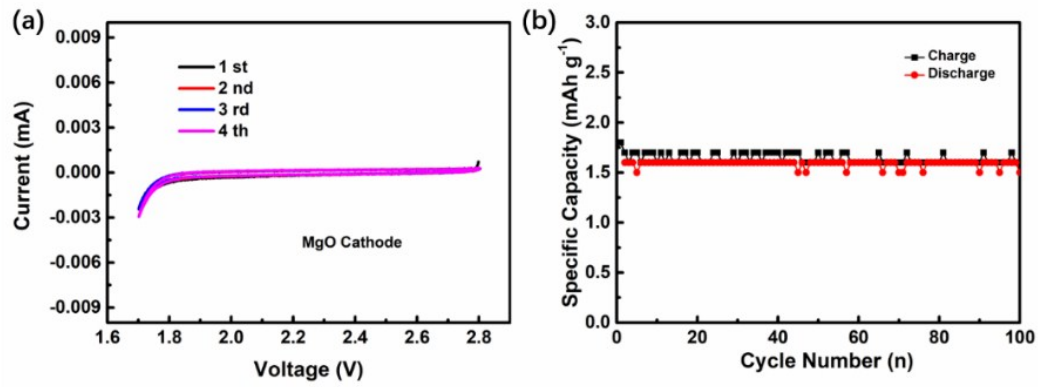


Fig.S6. (a) The CV curve and (b) cycling performance at the current of 100mA g⁻¹ of the lithium-MgO battery.

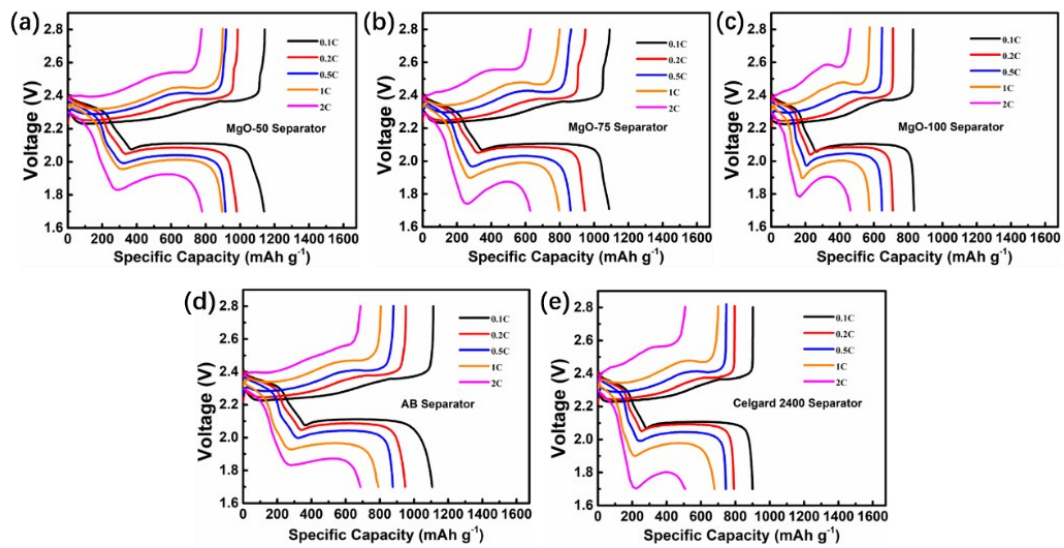


Fig.S7. The charge/discharge voltage curves at different rates for different batteries with (a) MgO-50 separator, (b) MgO-75 separator, (c) MgO-100 separator, (d) AB separator and (e) Celgard 2400 separator.

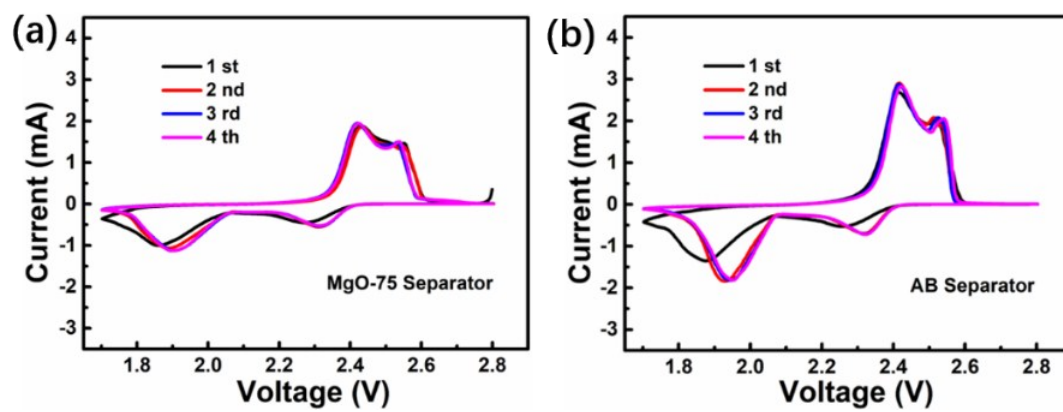


Figure.S8. The CV curves of batteries with (a) MgO-75 separator, (b) AB separator.