

Electronic supplementary information

Fluoroalkyl Ether-diluted Dimethyl Carbonate-based Electrolyte Solutions for High-voltage Operation of $\text{LiNi}_{0.5}\text{Co}_{0.2}\text{Mn}_{0.3}\text{O}_2$ Electrodes in Lithium Ion Batteries

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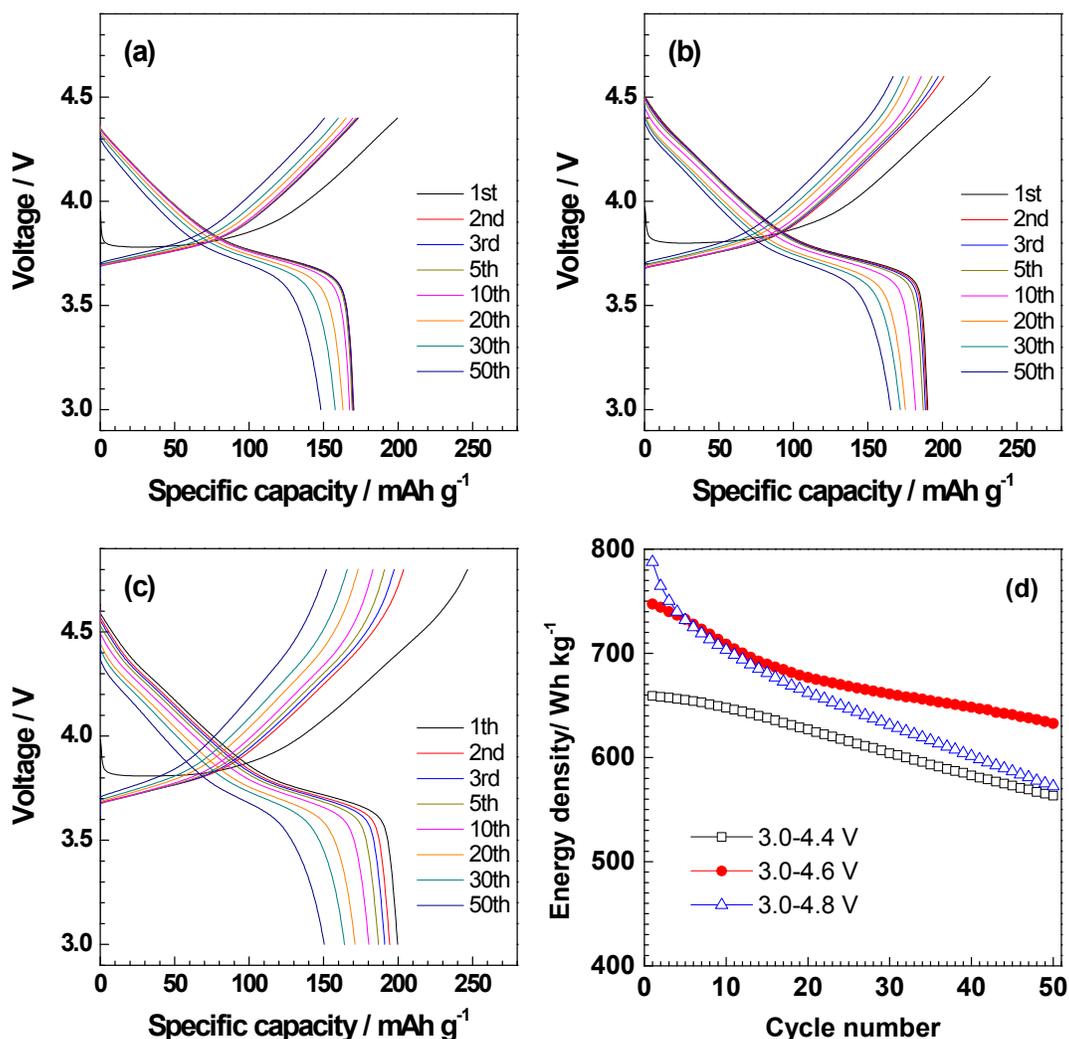


Figure S1. (a-c) Charge and discharge curves of $\text{Li}|\text{LiNi}_{0.5}\text{Co}_{0.2}\text{Mn}_{0.3}\text{O}_2$ cells using 1 M $\text{LiPF}_6/\text{EC}+\text{DEC}$ (1:1 by volume). Charge/discharge tests were carried out at 30 °C at a C/10 rate (ca. $120 \mu\text{A cm}^{-2}$) between 3.0 and (a) 4.4, (b) 4.6, and (c) 4.8 V. (d) Variation of discharge capacities of $\text{LiNi}_{0.5}\text{Co}_{0.2}\text{Mn}_{0.3}\text{O}_2$ with cycle number in 1 M $\text{LiPF}_6/\text{EC}+\text{DEC}$. The charging cut off voltages were 4.4, 4.6, and 4.8 V.

Table S1. Charge, discharge, and irreversible capacities and Coulombic efficiency in the 1st cycle, and capacity retention and energy density at the 50th cycle of Li|LiNi_{0.5}Co_{0.2}Mn_{0.3}O₂ cells using 1 M LiPF₆/EC+DEC (1:1 by volume).

Charging cut-off voltage	1st cycle				50th cycle	
	Charge capacity	Discharge capacity	Irreversible capacity	Coulombic efficiency	Capacity retention ^{a)}	Energy density
	(mAh g ⁻¹)	(mAh g ⁻¹)	(mAh g ⁻¹)	(%)	(%)	(Wh kg ⁻¹)
4.4	200	170	30	85.3	87.1	563
4.6	232	190	42	82.0	86.9	632
4.8	247	200	47	81.0	75.3	572

^{a)}defined as percent ratios of discharge capacity in the 50th cycle to that in the 1st cycle.

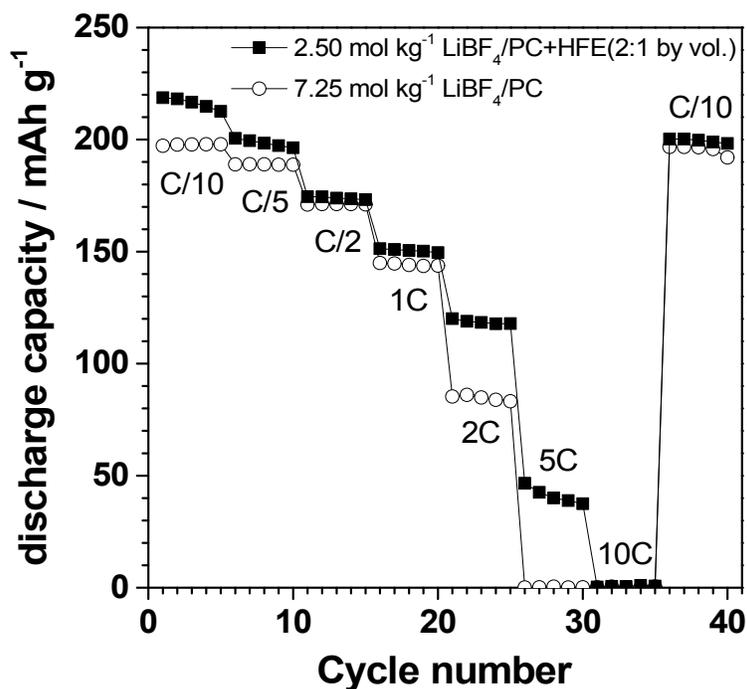


Figure S2. Rate performance of Li|LiNi_{0.5}Co_{0.2}Mn_{0.3}O₂ cells with 2.50 mol kg⁻¹ LiBF₄/PC+HFE (2:1, PC/Li⁺ molar ratio=2.39) and nearly saturated 7.25 mol kg⁻¹ LiBF₄/PC (PC/Li⁺=1.35). The discharge capacities decreased with an increase in discharge rate in both solutions, but 2.50 mol kg⁻¹ LiBF₄/PC+HFE (2:1) provided a higher capacity at any rate than 7.25 mol kg⁻¹ LiBF₄/PC.

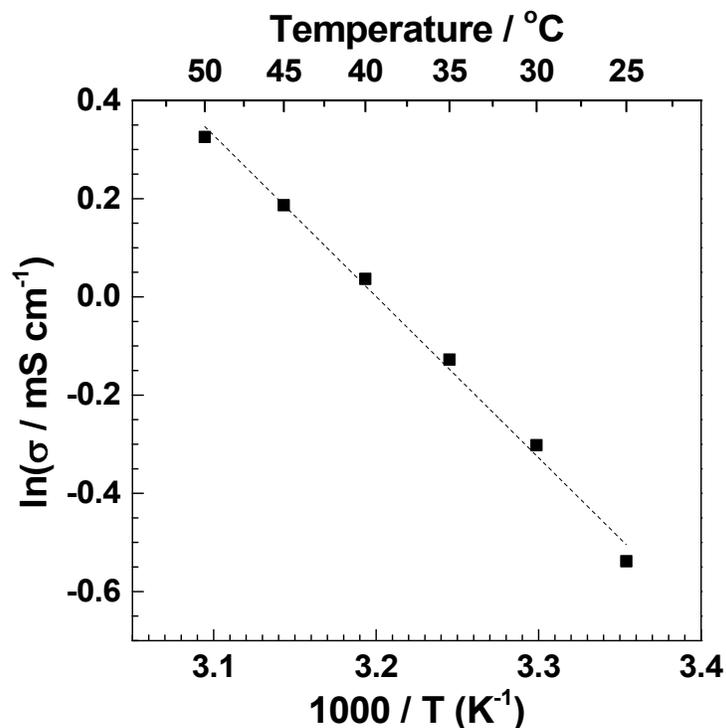


Figure S3. Ionic conductivity of 2.50 mol kg⁻¹ LiBF₄/PC+HFE (2:1, PC/Li molar ratio=2.39). A line was drawn using the least-squares method, and the activation energy was evaluated to be 27 kJ mol⁻¹.

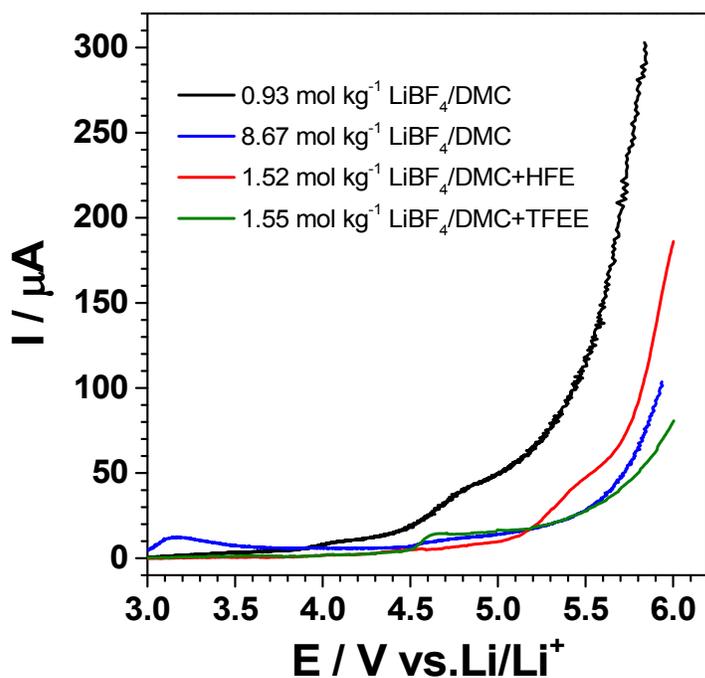


Figure S4. Linear sweep voltammograms of Pt in a potential range from 3.0 to ca. 6 V. The reference and counter electrodes were Li foil. The scan rate was 1 mV s⁻¹.

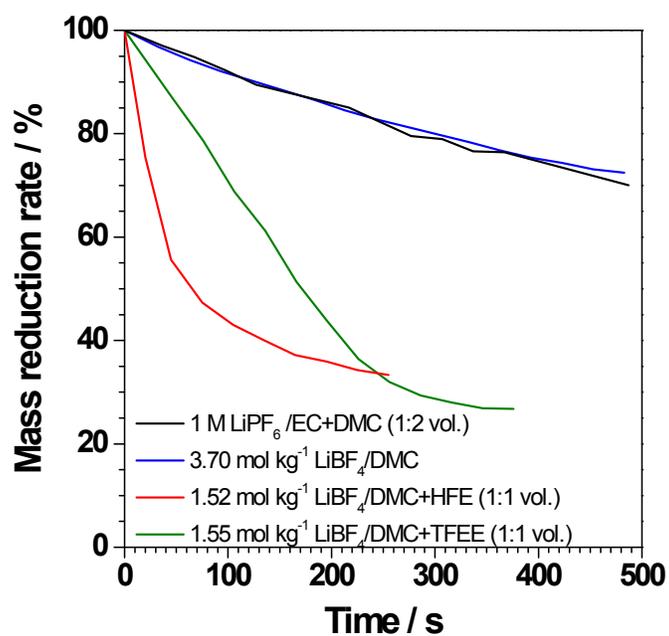


Figure S5. Mass reduction rate of electrolyte solutions in a glovebox with a dew point of -92 °C and ambient temperature of 27 °C. About 100 mg of each electrolyte solution was put on an electric balance, and then the variation of the mass with time was measured. HFE- and TFEE-diluted electrolyte solutions were more volatile than the conventional 1 M LiPF₆/EC+DMC.