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## **Supporting Information**

## Biodegradable Zn-Ion Battery with lignin composite electrode and Bio-Ionic Liquid Based Electrolyte: Possible In Situ Energy Generation by Lignin Electrocatalysis

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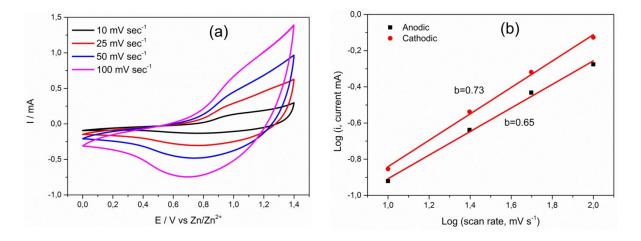


Figure S1: (a) CV cycles at different scan rates of PPylignin in 1 mol/kg  $ZnAc_2$  in (50 wt% ChAc + 50 wt% water) (b) Relationship between log i and log v plots for the cathodic and anodic sweeps of CV

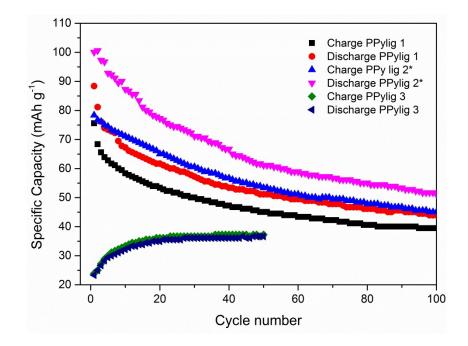


Figure S2: Galvaostatic charge-discharge curves of PPylig 1, PPylig 2\* and PPylig 3 at 200 mA  $g^{-1}$  in 1 mol/kg ZnAc<sub>2</sub> in (50 wt% ChAc + 50 wt% water)

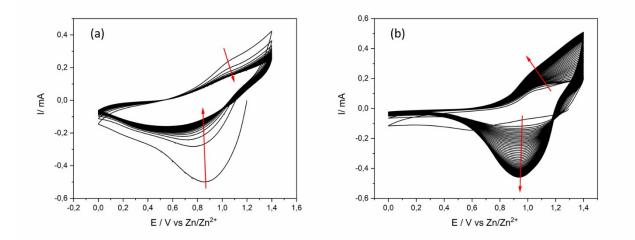


Figure S3 (a) 50 CV cycles of PPy, (b) 50 CV cycles of PPylig in 50 wt% ChAc+ 50 wt% water

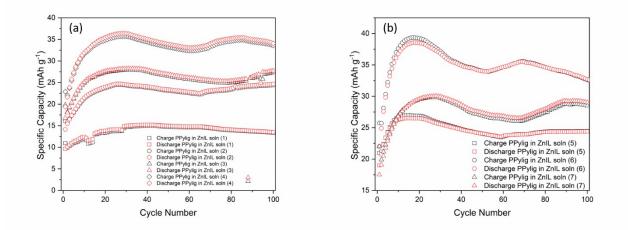


Figure S4 (a, b) Repeated charge-discharge curves of PPylig 2 at at 200 mA  $g^{-1}$  in 1 mol/kg ZnAc<sub>2</sub> in (50 wt% ChAc + 50 wt% water)

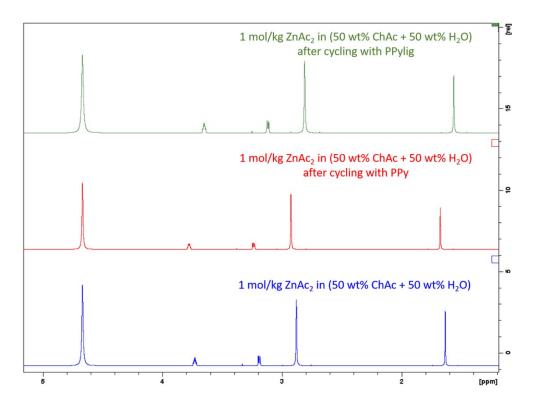


Figure S5: Comparison of <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra of 1 mol/kg ZnAc<sub>2</sub> in (50 wt% ChAc + 50 wt% water) before and after cycling with PPy and PPy/lignin

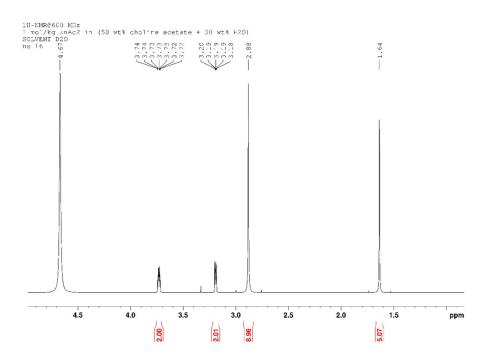


Figure S6: Detailed <sup>1</sup>H-NMR of 1 mol/kg ZnAc<sub>2</sub> in (50 wt% ChAc + 50 wt% water)

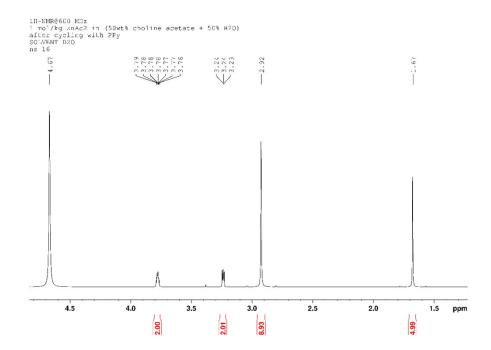


Figure S7: Detailed <sup>1</sup>H-NMR of 1 mol/kg ZnAc<sub>2</sub> in (50 wt% ChAc + 50 wt% water) after cycling with PPy

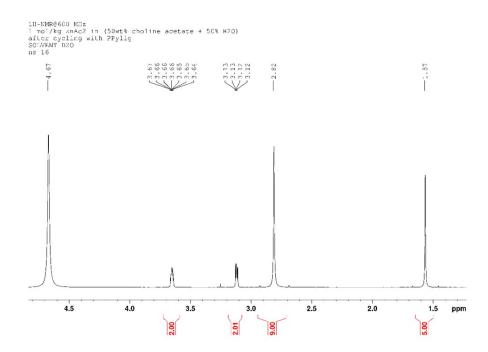


Figure S8: Detailed <sup>1</sup>H-NMR of 1 mol/kg ZnAc<sub>2</sub> in (50 wt% ChAc + 50 wt% water) after cycling with PPy/lignin

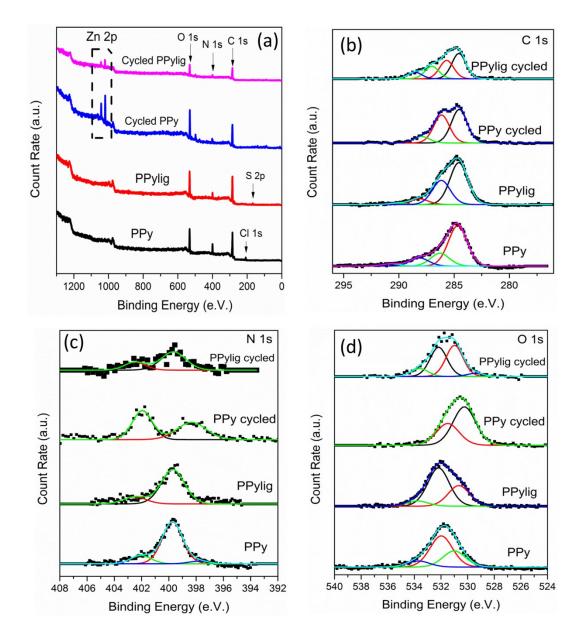
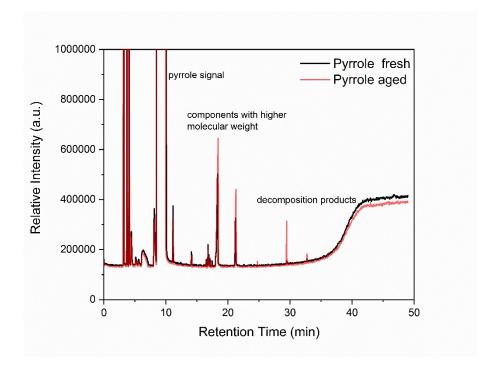
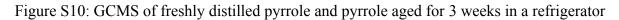


Figure S9: (a) Survey spectra (b) C 1s spectra (c) N 1s spectra (d) O 1s spectra of PPy and PPy/lignin before and after cycling in Zn-ion battery





## Nomenclature

PPy: Polypyrrole

PPylig 1: Polypyrrole/lignin composite made from 0.1 M pyrrole + 0.05 M LiClO<sub>4</sub> + 0.5 mg/mL of lignosulfonate in the electrolyte

PPylig 2: Polypyrrole/lignin composite made from 0.1 M pyrrole + 0.05 M LiClO<sub>4</sub> + 2.5 mg/mL of lignosulfonate in the electrolyte

PPylig 2\*: Polypyrrole/lignin composite made from 0.1 M pyrrole + 0.05 M LiClO<sub>4</sub> + 3.75 mg/mL of lignosulfonate in the electrolyte

PPylig 3: Polypyrrole/lignin composite made from 0.1 M pyrrole + 0.05 M LiClO<sub>4</sub> + 5 mg/mL of lignosulfonate in the electrolyte