

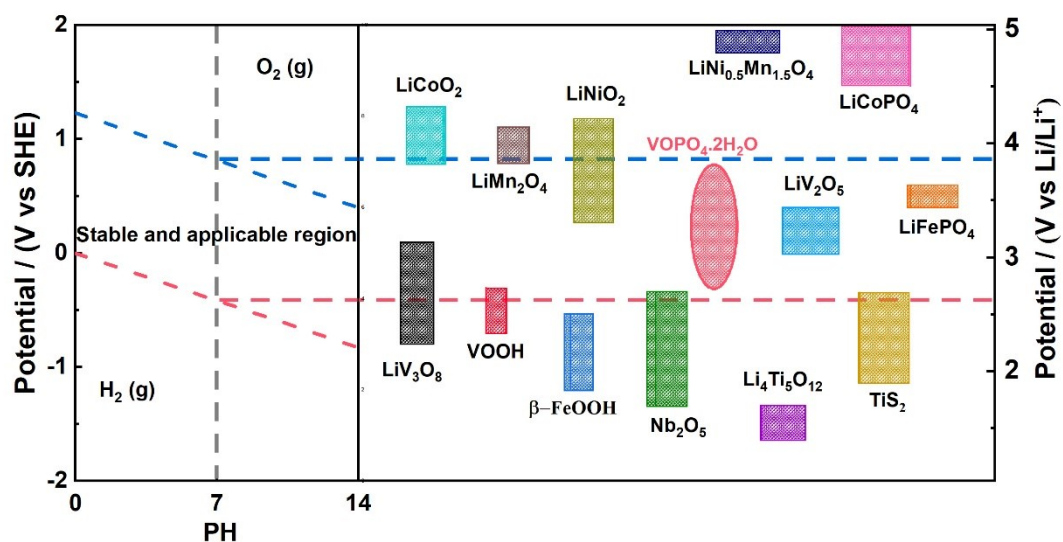
*Supporting information*

Optimal water concentration for aqueous Li<sup>+</sup> intercalation in vanadyl phosphate

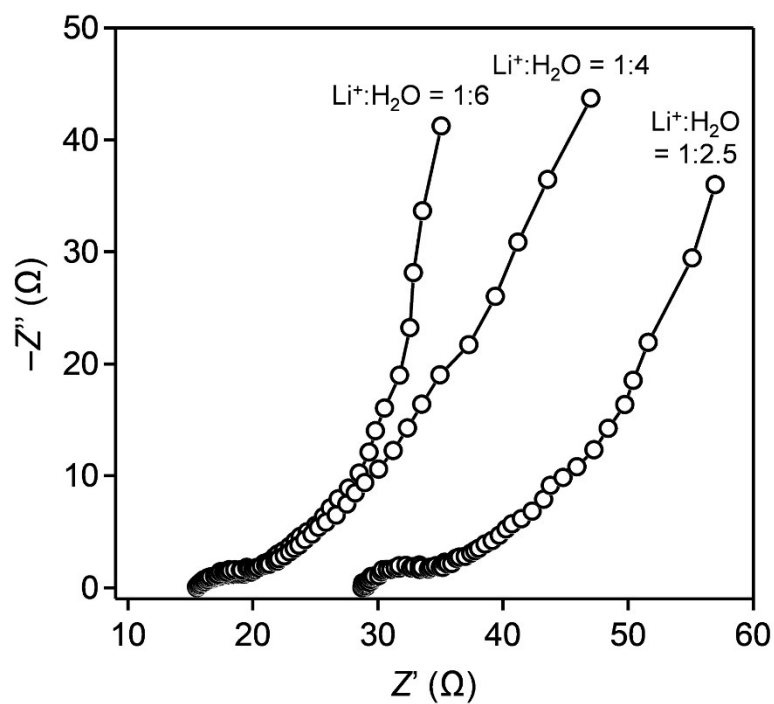
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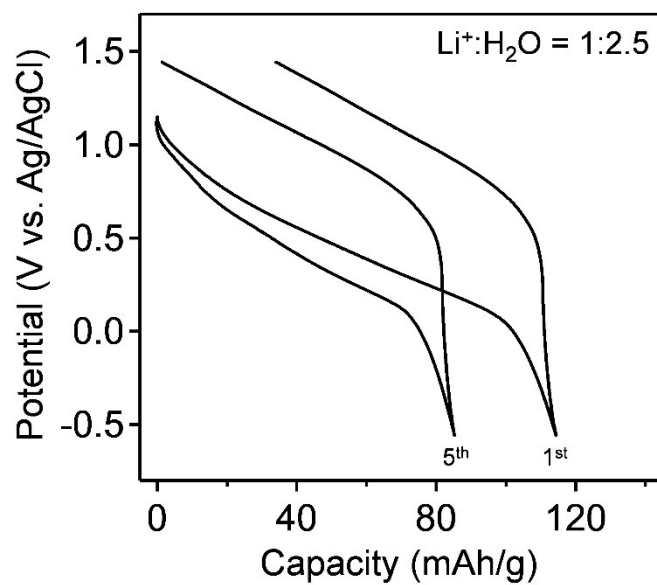
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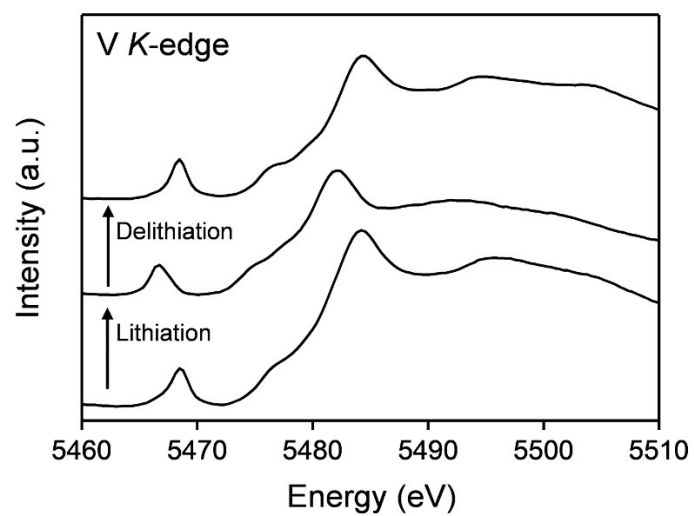
**Figure S1.** Pourbaix diagram of water and electrochemical stability window of lithium intercalation potentials for commonly used electrode materials in the aqueous battery system.



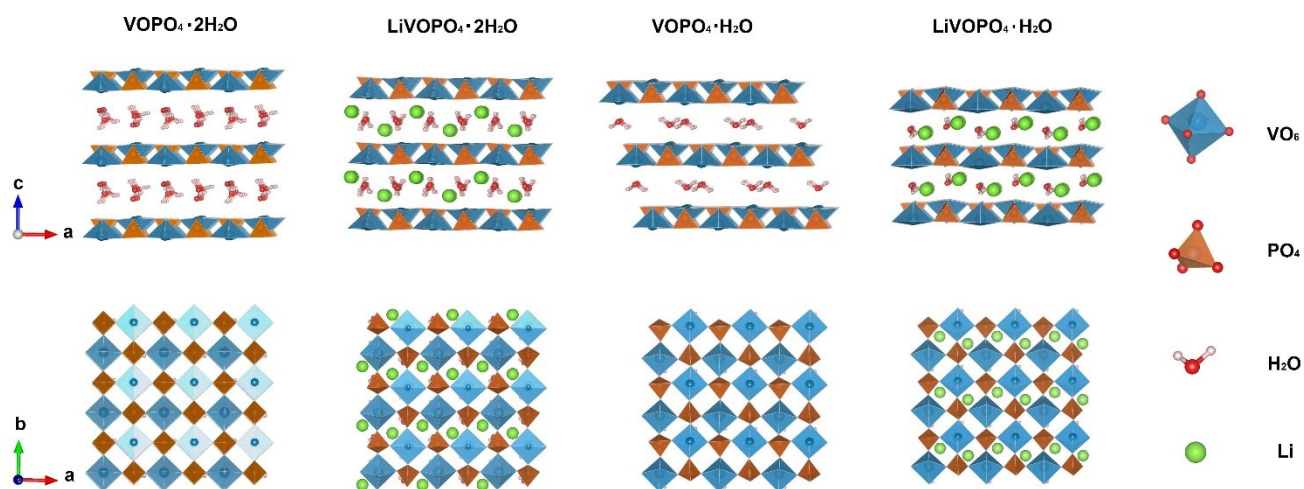
**Figure S2.** Nyquist plots for  $\text{VOPO}_4 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$  electrodes at open circuit potential with aqueous  $\text{Li}^+$  electrolytes at  $\text{Li}^+/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  ratio of 1:6 (LiTFSI/ $6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ), 1:4 (LiTFSI/ $4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ), and 1:2.5 (LiTFSI/ $2.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ), where the electrode potentials are 1.01, 1.02, and 1.16 V vs. Ag/AgCl, respectively.



**Figure S3.** Charge/discharge curves of  $\text{VOPO}_4 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$  electrodes with aqueous  $\text{Li}^+$  electrolytes at a  $\text{Li}^+/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  ratio of 1:2.5 ( $\text{LiTFSI}/2.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ). A specific current is 1 A/g.



**Figure S4.** *Ex situ* XANES spectra for V *K*-edge of (de)lithiated  $\text{VOPO}_4 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in  $\text{LiTFSI}/4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .



**Figure S5.** DFT+U+VDW optimized structures of VOPO<sub>4</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O, LiVOPO<sub>4</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O, VOPO<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O and LiVOPO<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O, respectively

**Table S1.** DFT+U+VDW optimized lattice parameters for selected  $\text{Li}_x\text{VOPO}_4 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$  ( $n = 0, 1$ , and 2) compound. The  $c$ -values represent the interlayer distance.

	$a / \text{\AA}$	$b / \text{\AA}$	$c / \text{\AA}$	$\alpha / ^\circ$	$\beta / ^\circ$	$\gamma / ^\circ$
$\text{VOPO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	6.26	6.21	7.25	91.7	90	90
$\text{LiVOPO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$	6.32	6.42	6.56	90	75	90
$\text{VOPO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$	6.25	6.24	6.16	105.3	90.6	90
$\text{LiVOPO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$	6.39	6.45	5.53	105.6	91.5	89.8