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Mixed Ionic and Electronic Conducting Binder of PEDOT:PSS and Organic Ionic Plastic

Crystals toward Carbon-Free Solid-State Battery Cathodes

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Figure S1. SEM images of a) 70/30 P:PSS / C_2 mpyrFSI on the plane and b) 70/30 P:PSS / C_2 mpyrTFSI on the plane and cross section. EDX images of the surface of the composites c) 80/20 P:PSS / C_2 mpyrFSI and d) 70/30 P:PSS / C_2 mpyrTFSI





C₂mpyrFSI, b) C₂mpyrTFSI, and their respective composites as follows the legends.

Ionic and electronic conductivity measurements:

On one hand, the influence of the electronic conductivity in the EIS measurements is negligible considering the low resistances generated by materials with conductivity values above 500 S/cm (considering also the dimensions of the sample). This assumption has been previously done in other works.¹ As an effect of the electronic conductivity, we can see closed semicircles in the Nyquist plots (Figure S3) since the interfacial capacitance is shunted by the electronic current.²

On the other hand, during 4-point-probe (4PP) measurements, the current is given purely through electronic conduction since the current delivered by the ions can be also neglected. DC polarization can be employed to determine both electronic and ionic conductivity by applying a constant current until stable current is reached. However, the most likely is that it will be limited by the ionic conductivity and high values of σ_{ionic} will be required to appreciate the difference.³

Therefore, similar values of electronic and ionic conductivities are needed to see a significant contribution of one over the other when using either 4PP or EIS.



Figure S3. Nyquist plot of a) 80/20 P:PSS/C₂mpyrFSI and b)70/30 P:PSS/C₂mpyrTFSI at different temperatures

The activation energies (Ea) were calculated by using the Arrhenius equation:

$$\sigma = \sigma_0 \exp(\frac{-E_a}{k_B T})$$

where σ_0 is the dc conductivity of pre-exponential factor, T the absolute temperature,

 E_a the activation energy and k_B the Boltzmann constant.

Table S1. Activation energy of the ionic conductivity of PEDOT:PSS, C₂mpyrFSI, C₂mpyrTFSI and their composites.

	Activation Energy [KJ			
	mol⁻¹]			
PEDOT:PSS	4.9 ± 0.4			
C ₂ mpyrFSI	12.9 ± 0.1			
90/10	3.6 ± 0.2			
80/20	1.9 ± 0.1			
70/30	1.6 ± 0.3			
C₂mpyrTFSI	11.4 ± 0.3			
90/10	4.2 ± 0.2			
80/20	5.2 ± 0.3			
70/30	4.6 ± 0.4			



Figure S4. Electronic conductivity of P:PSS (MeOH), a) FSI and b) TFSI based composites dried at room temperature and after drying at 130°C under vacuum overnight.



Figure S5. Deconvolution of the XRD patterns of a) P:PSS (MeOH), b) 70/30 P:PSS/C₂mpyrFSI and c) 70/30 P:PSS/C₂mpyrTFSI composites.





Figure S6. Phase AFM images of different a) PEDOT:PSS (H₂O), b) P:PSS (MeOH), c) 80/20

P:PSS/C₂mpyrFSI and d) 80/20 P:PSS/C₂mpyrTFSI composites.



and b) 70/30 P:PSS/C₂mpyrTFSI using 1M LiTFSI in DOL:DME 1:1 v at 10 mV s⁻¹.



Figure S8. Chemical structures of solid electrolyte components: PILBLOC copolymer,

C₃mpyrFSI and LiFSI.



Figure S9. Voltage profile of OMIEC binder based cell of different cycles of the long term

cycling from the beginning (42th).

Table S2. Literature review of solid state Li|LFP cells based on inorganic and polymer

electrolytes.

Electrolyte	Cathode formulation [LFP/C ₆₅ /ionic binder] Ref.	Current density [mAh cm ⁻²] / LFP loading [mg cm ⁻²]	C rate	Specific capacity [mAh g ⁻¹]	Cycling life
Diblock-EC-LiFSI ^a	60/10/30 ⁴	0.046 / 2.7	C/10	150	100
PPE-PEO-PPE (LiTFSI) ^b	60/10/30 ⁵	0.051/3	C/10	112	100
P(EO-co-PO) ^c	70/15/15 ⁶	0.034 / 2	C/10	159	50
LAGP ^d	50/5/45 ⁷	0.272 / 8	C/5	120	50
Diblock-IL-LiFSI ^e	60/40 P:PSS-OIPC-LiFSI This work	0.1/1.2	C/2	145	150
Diblock-IL-LiFSI ^e	60/10/30 PILBLOC-IL-LiFSI This work	0.1/1.2	C/2	130	55
PEO (LITFSI) ^f	60/15/25 ⁸	0.128 / 1.5	C/2	122	150
PI/DBDPE/PEO/LiTFSIg	60/15/25 ⁸	0.128 / 1.5	C/2	143	300
LPO-LLZO ^h	50/5/45 ⁹	0.1/1	1.5 C	120	400

^aPoly(ionic liquid) – ethylene carbonate – LiFSI.

^bCrosslinked poly(ethylene oxide-co-polyphosphoester) – LiTFSI

^cPoly(ethylene oxide) – LiTFSI

^dLi_{1.5}Al_{0.5}Ge_{1.5}(PO₄)₃

^ePoly(ionic liquid) – C₃mpyrFSI – LiFSI

^fPoly(ethylene oxide-co-polypropylene oxide) – LiTFSI

^gPolyimide – decabromodiphenyl ethane – poly(ethylene oxide) – LiTFSI

 ${}^{h}\text{Li}_{3}\text{PO}_{4} - \text{Li}_{6.5}\text{La}_{3}\text{Zr}_{1.5}\text{Ta}_{0.5}\text{O}_{12}$

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