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Efficient Improvement of Lithium Ionic Conductivity for Polymer Electrolyte via Introducing porous Metal–Organic Frameworks

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Materials and Characterizations

Scanning electron microscopy (SEM) images were acquired by a HITACHI S4800 scanning electron microscope. X-ray diffraction (XRD) spectra were obtained through an Empyrean Panal Ytical instrument with Cu-K α radiation under the range of 5–50° (λ = 1.5406 Å). Thermo gravimetric analysis (TGA) was performed by a Q500 thermal analyzer on heated from 23 to 800°C under N₂ atmosphere at a heating rate of 10 °C/min. Mechanical properties were determined by a CMT2533 universal tensile machine with electronic data evaluation at speed of 5 mm/min. The contact angles were tested by a Biolin Theta Flex optical instrument. The electrochemical impedance spectroscopy (EIS), cyclic voltammetry (CV), liner sweep voltammetry (LSV) and chronoamperometry (CA) curves were performed by a CHI660E electrochemical workstation. The cycle performances were recorded with a LANHE LAND battery cycler.

Synthesis of compound MOF-5

MOF-5 crystals were synthesized according to the reported in the literature.¹ Zn(NO₃)₂·6H₂O (900 mg), H₂BDC (166 mg), DMF (98 mL) and deionized water (2 mL) were loaded into 250 mL round bottom flask, vigorously stirred for 30 minutes at 75°C, then the solution were transferred to the Teflon-lined steel autoclave and heated at 110°C for 10 h. After cooled to room temperature, the white powder was collected by centrifugation and washed with DMF and CH₂Cl₂ and dried in a vacuum oven for 20 h at 115°C.

Synthesis of PVDF-HFP/MOF-5 composites electrolyte membranes

PVDF-HFP power was dissolved in DMA (5.8 mL) using magnetic stirring for 10 hours at 65°C. Different mass ratios of MOF-5 were added and stir for 1 hour. After cooling to room temperature, the degassed casting solution was dumped on a spotless glass and scraped to 200 μ m with a doctor blade. The loading of MOF-5 in the composites varies from 1 to 5 wt%, which were marked as PVDF-HFP/MOF-5-X (X= I, II, III, IV and V). The thin films were produced by the immersion-precipitation phase inversion means. The thin films were dried before using at 100°C

in a vacuum for 24 h. The composites electrolyte membranes were immersed in 1M $LiPF_6$ liquid electrolyte for 24 h to achieve the purpose of activation.

Fabrication of MOF-5 electrolyte membrane

MOF-5 was dispersed into isopropyl alcohol together with 60% PTFE emulsion at a mass ratio of 9:1 by milling and the paste was rolled into thin film about 200 μ m and cut into pieces.² PVDF-HFP/MOF-5 composite membranes were cut into pieces directly. After drying 12 h in vacuum, MOF-5 electrolyte membrane was immersed in 1M LiPF₆ liquid electrolyte for 24 h to activate activation.



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