

From the equation (1) and (2)^[10], the formation energy is ΔE , the total energy of solid Li is $E_{Li}(s)$, of gas state O_2 is $E_{O_2}(g)$, of rhombic sulfur is $E_{S_6}(s)$, the calculated theoretical and experimental data are listed in table S1. The formation energy for Li_2O_2 , LiO_2 is lower than the previous work due to temperature effect to a certain extent. The low formation energy of Li_2S indicates that Li_2S is easily reproduced during the discharge process.

$$\Delta E = E_{Li_xO_y}(s) - xE_{Li}(s) - \frac{y}{2}E_{O_2}(g) \quad (1)$$

$$\Delta E = E_{Li_2S}(s) - 2E_{Li}(s) - \frac{1}{6}E_{S_6}(g) \quad (2)$$

Table S1 Predicted standard formation energy and total energies at zero temperature and their comparisons with available experimental and theoretical data at 298.15K

	Li	O ₂	S ₆	Li ₄ O ₄	LiO ₂	Li ₂ S
Total energy	-194.8	-867.52	-1823.86	-2532.59	-1063.76	-700.17
Formation energy (ΔE)				-9.175 (-6.569 ^[10] , -6.557 ^[S1])	-1.44 (-3.272 ^[10] , -2.689 ^[S2])	-6.59

*The Computational methods of Li, O₂, S₆ are consistent with Li₂O₂, LiO₂, and Li₂S.

Table S2 Predicted bandgaps and their comparisons with available theoretical data

Method type	Bandgaps (eV)	
	Li ₂ O ₂	Li ₂ S
GGA-PBE	1.894	3.398
GGA-WC	1.934	3.212
HES06	5.040	4.069
GGA-RPBE(PBE)	1.88(1.99) ^[23,24]	
GGA-PBE, and vdW-DF		3.46 ^[25]

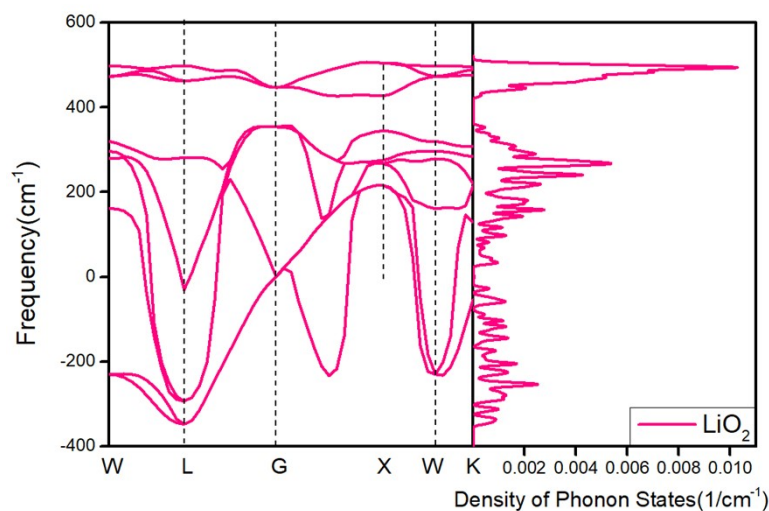


Fig. S1 The phonon dispersion of the LiO₂

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