

## Supporting Information

### **Dopant-Induced Electronic Design of Redox-Active Elements in $\text{LiMn}_2\text{O}_4$ Spinel**

#### **Structures**

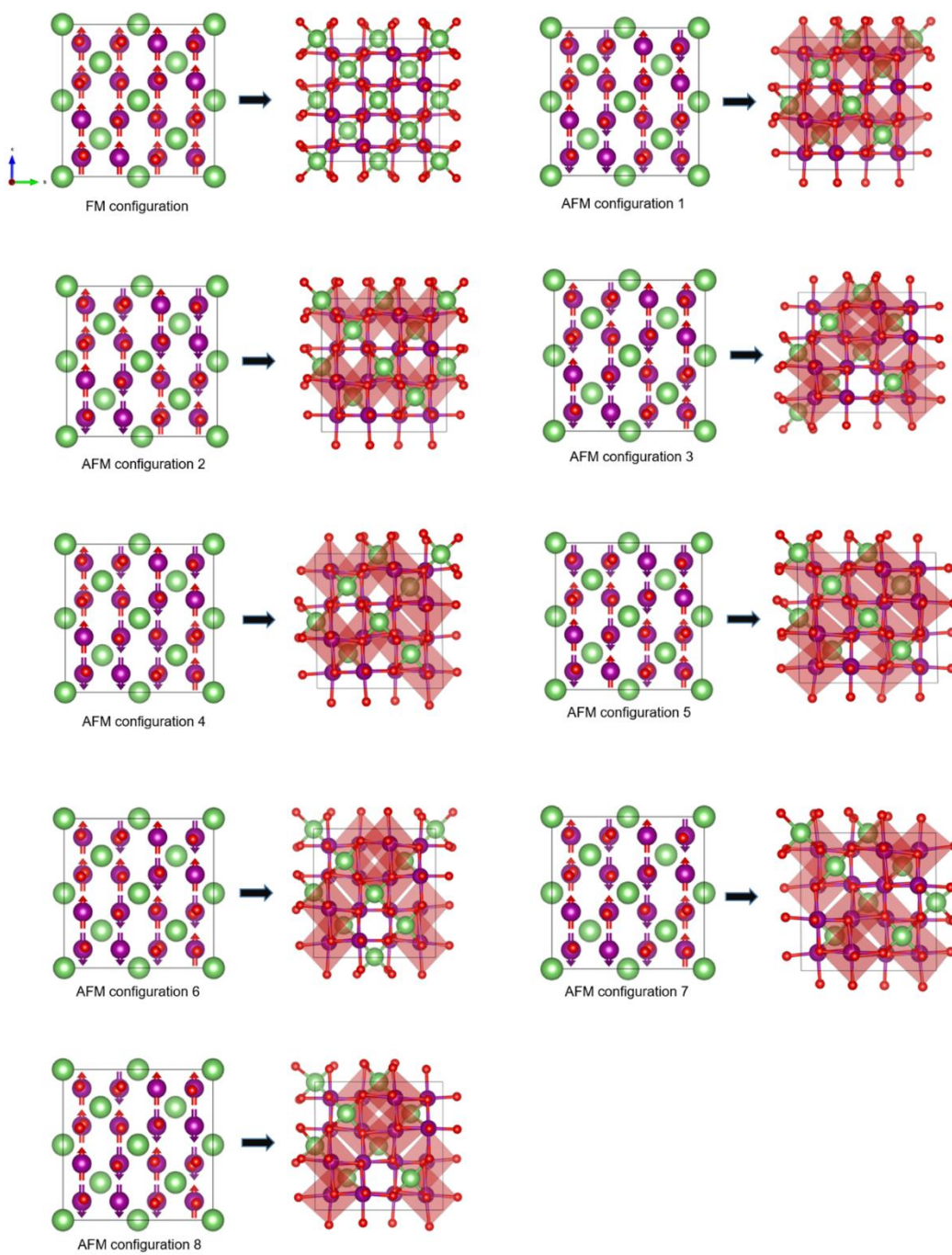
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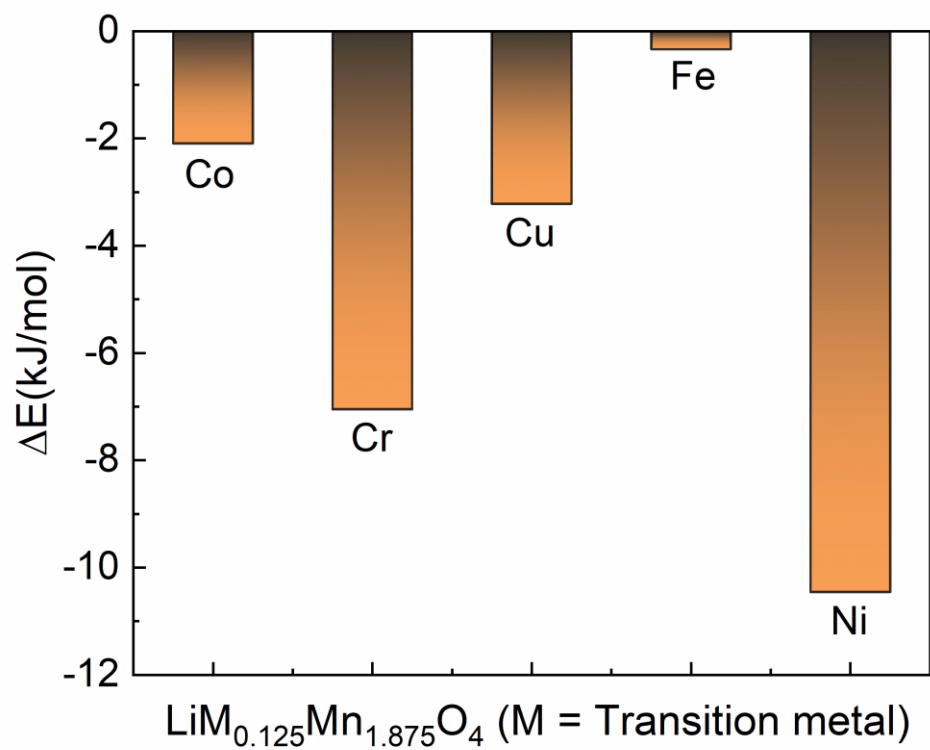
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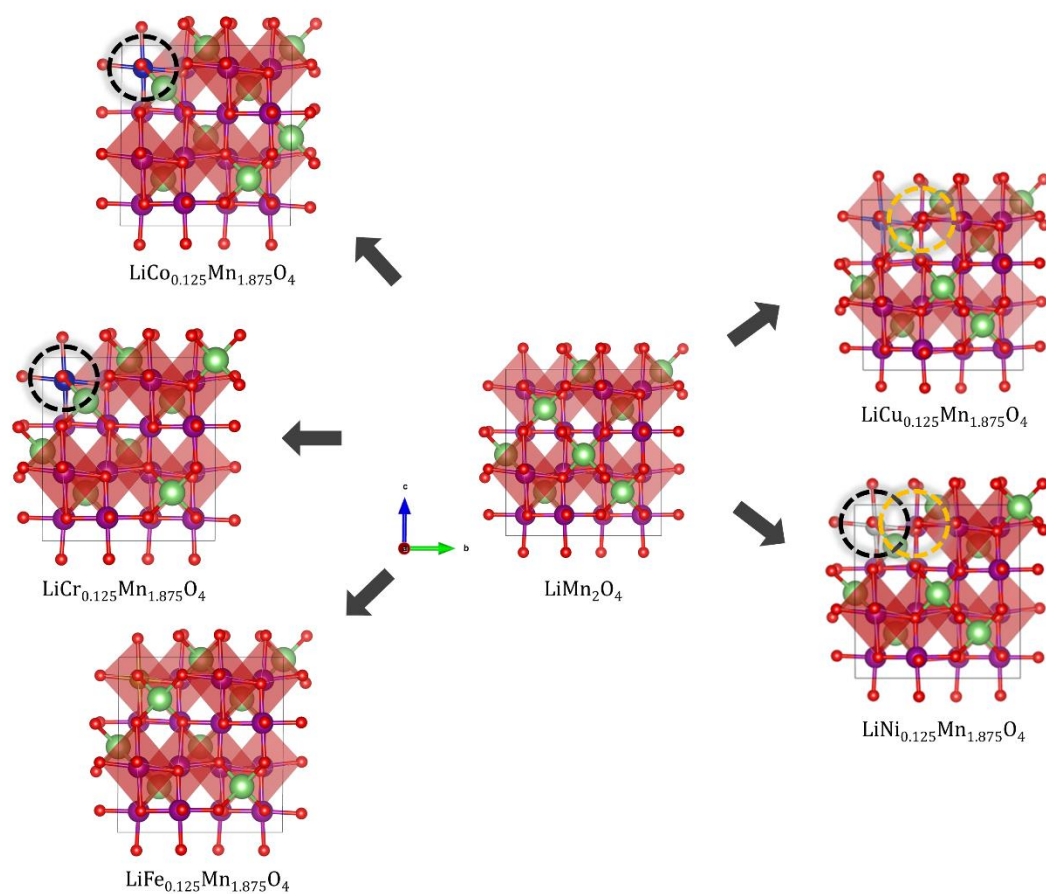
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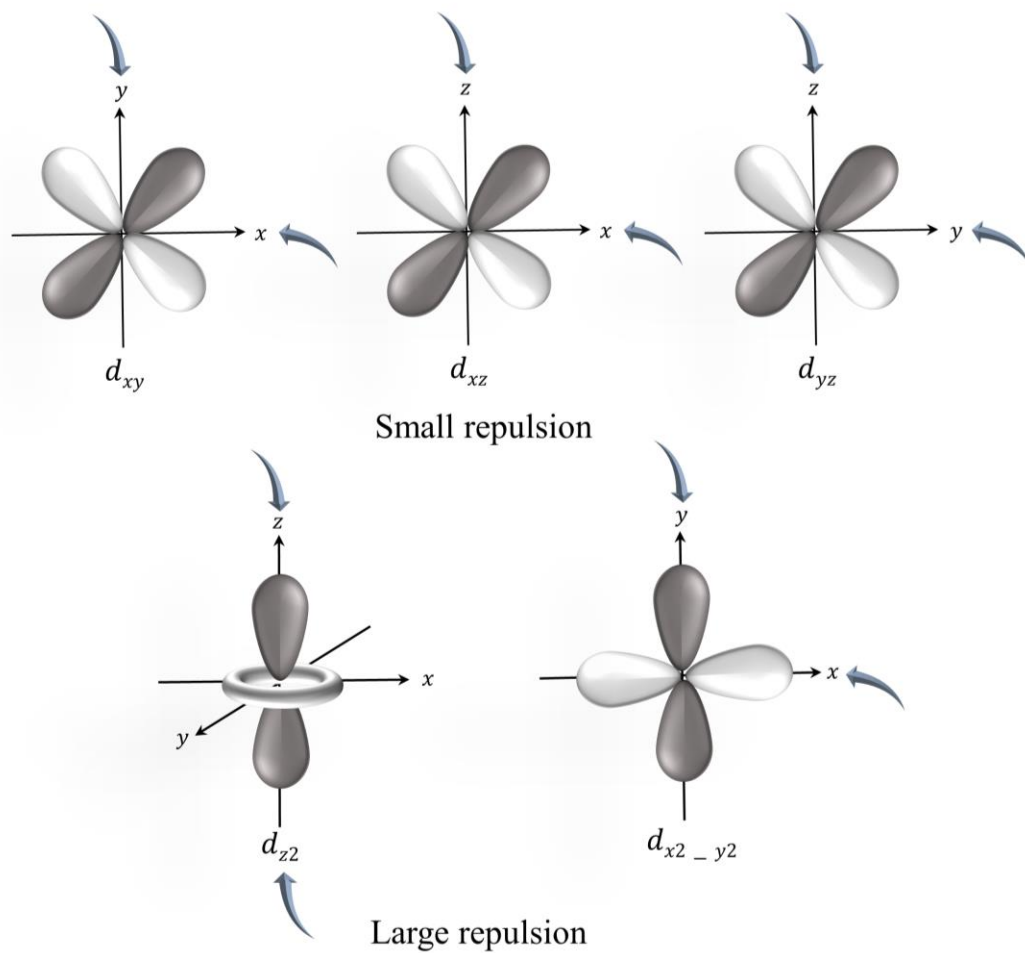
**Figure S1.** A total of nine possible configurations, such as one ferromagnetic (FM) and eight antiferromagnetic (AFM) configurations, for  $\text{LiMn}_2\text{O}_4$  supercell.



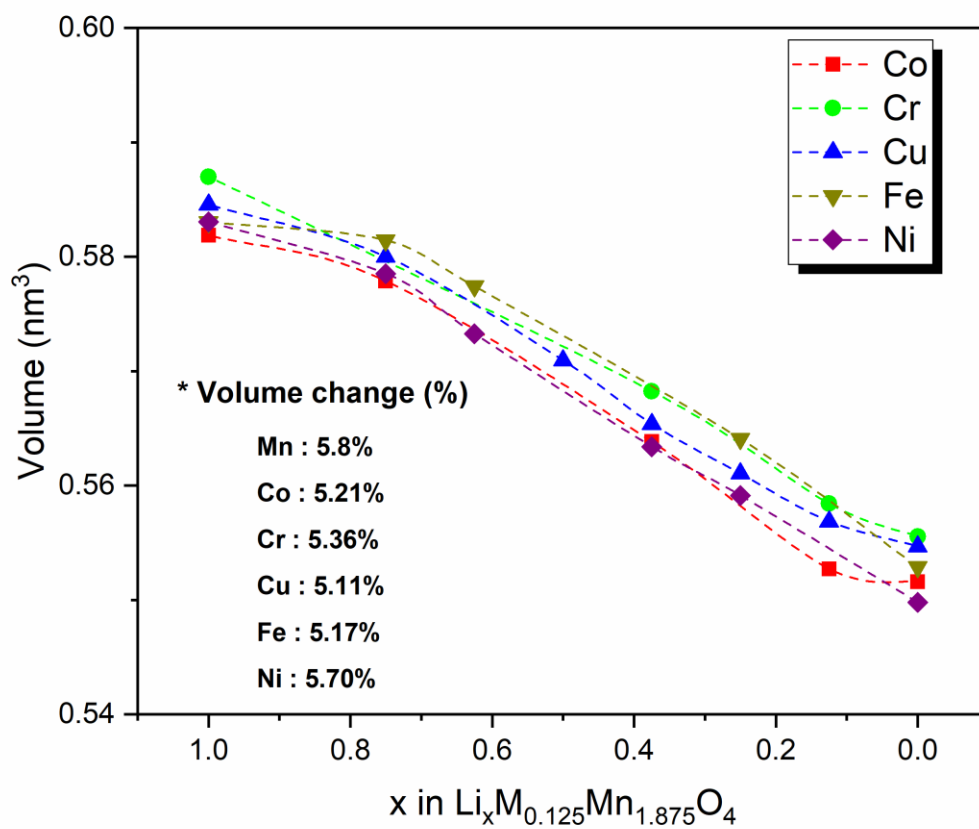
**Figure S2.** The DFT-computed energies ( $\Delta E$ ) of  $\text{LiM}_{0.125}\text{Mn}_{1.875}\text{O}_4$  (M = Co, Cr, Cu, Fe, and Ni) with M doped in  $\text{Mn}^{3+}$  position relative to those with M doped in  $\text{Mn}^{4+}$  position.



**Figure S3.** Reddish illustration of  $\text{MO}_6$  octahedra with asymmetric electron configurations in  $\text{LiM}_{0.125}\text{Mn}_{1.875}\text{O}_4$  ( $M = \text{Co, Cr, Cu, Fe, and Ni}$ ). Black dash circles are used to depict  $\text{MO}_6$  octahedra with symmetric electron configurations. Yellow dash circles are used to depict dopant-induced changes from  $\text{Mn}^{3+}$  to  $\text{Mn}^{4+}$ . For clarity, the eight intrinsic  $\text{Mn}^{4+}\text{O}_6$  octahedra in the structures provide no illustration.



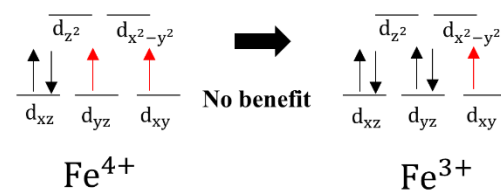
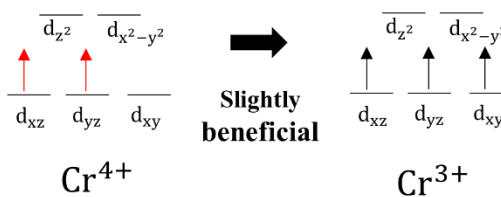
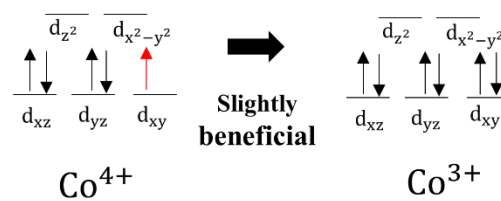
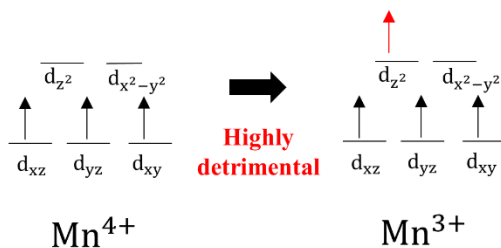
**Figure S4.** Five  $d$  orbitals in a crystal field theory. The directions coordinating ligands are an arrow are depicted by arrows.



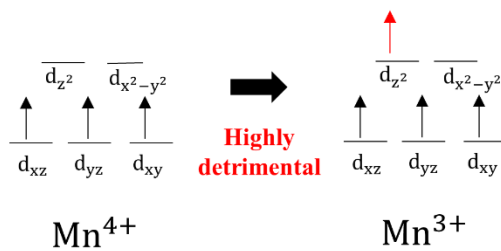
**Figure S5.** Volumetric changes of  $\text{LiM}_{0.125}\text{Mn}_{1.875}\text{O}_4$  ( $M = \text{Co}, \text{Cr}, \text{Cu}, \text{Fe}, \text{and Ni}$ ) experienced during the full delithiation process.

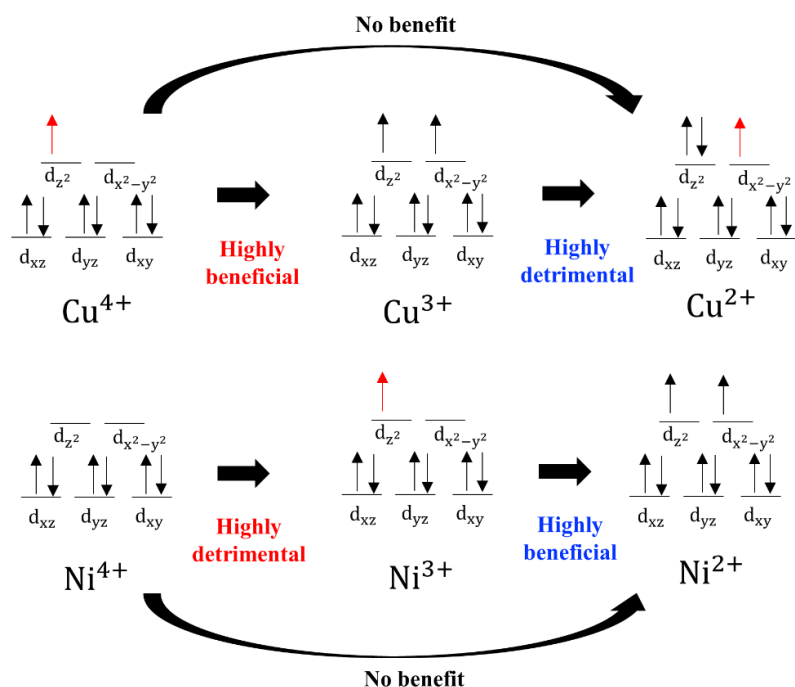
## Discharging process

### Group II : Co, Cr, Fe



### Group III : Cu, Ni

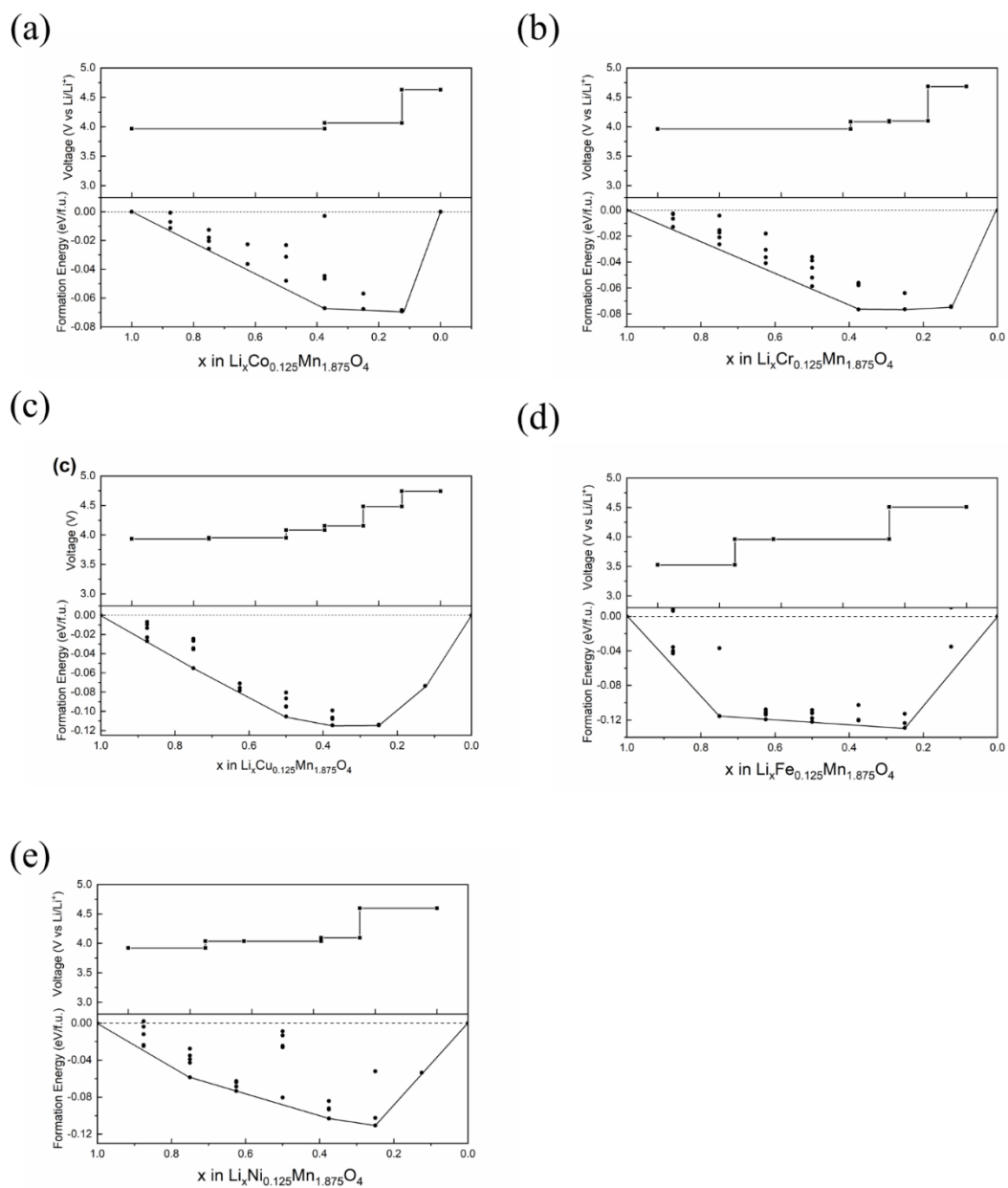




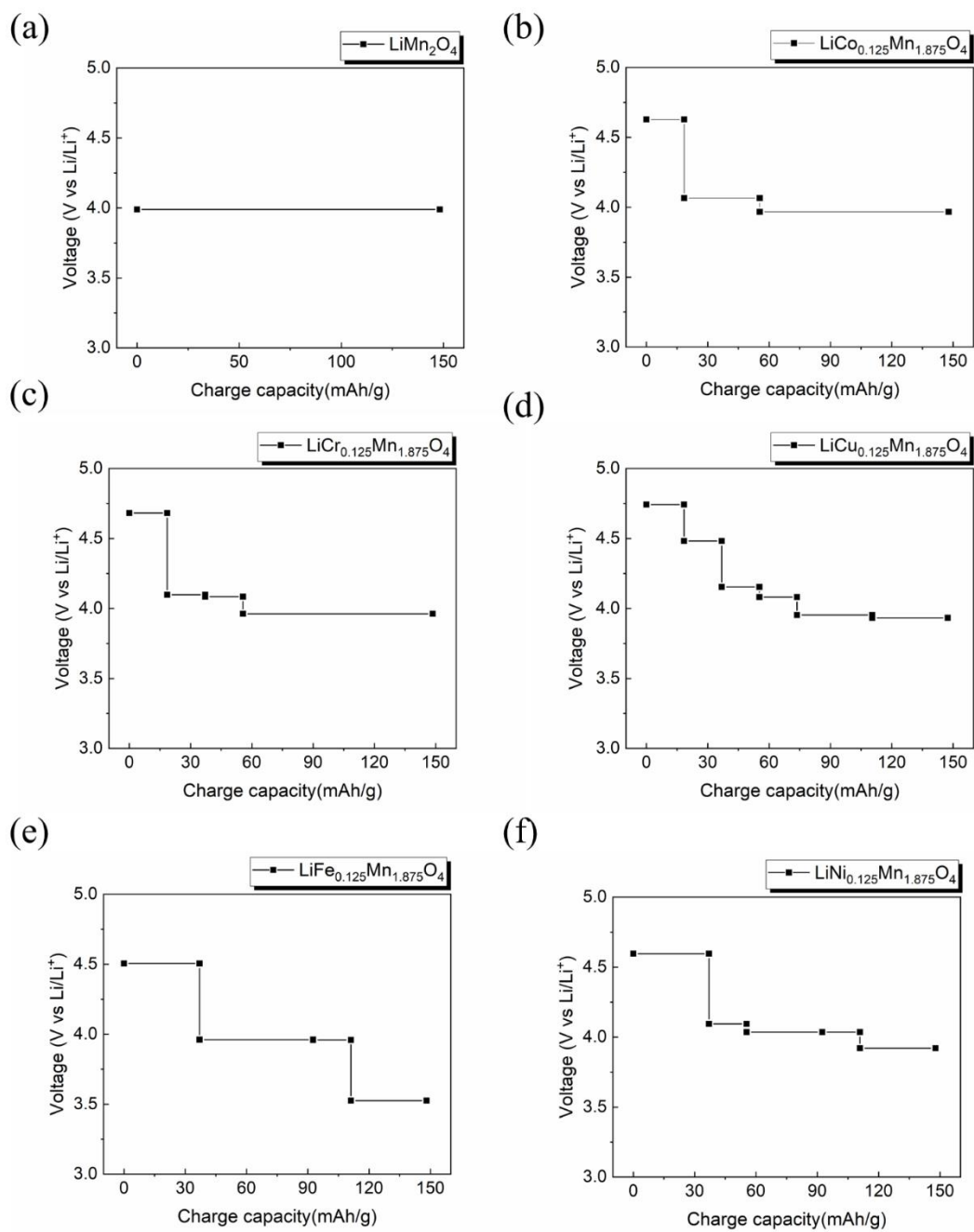
Discharging process	Reduction reaction	Highly detrimental	Slightly beneficial	No benefit
$\text{Mn}_{16}\text{O}_{32} \rightarrow \text{Li}_8\text{Mn}_{16}\text{O}_{32}$	$\text{Mn}^{4+} \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{3+}(8e^-)$	8	0	0
$\text{Mn}_{15}\text{CoO}_{32} \rightarrow \text{Li}_8\text{Mn}_{15}\text{CoO}_{32}$	$\text{Mn}^{4+} \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{3+}(7e^-)$ $\text{Co}^{4+} \rightarrow \text{Co}^{3+}(1e^-)$	7	1	0
$\text{Mn}_{15}\text{CrO}_{32} \rightarrow \text{Li}_8\text{Mn}_{15}\text{CrO}_{32}$	$\text{Mn}^{4+} \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{3+}(7e^-)$ $\text{Cr}^{4+} \rightarrow \text{Cr}^{3+}(1e^-)$	7	1	0
$\text{Mn}_{15}\text{CuO}_{32} \rightarrow \text{Li}_8\text{Mn}_{15}\text{CuO}_{32}$	$\text{Mn}^{4+} \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{3+}(6e^-)$ $\text{Cu}^{4+} \rightarrow \text{Cu}^{2+}(2e^-)$	6	0	2
$\text{Mn}_{15}\text{FeO}_{32} \rightarrow \text{Li}_8\text{Mn}_{15}\text{FeO}_{32}$	$\text{Mn}^{4+} \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{3+}(7e^-)$ $\text{Fe}^{4+} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{3+}(1e^-)$	7	0	1
$\text{Mn}_{15}\text{CoO}_{32} \rightarrow \text{Li}_8\text{Mn}_{15}\text{NiO}_{32}$	$\text{Mn}^{4+} \rightarrow \text{Mn}^{3+}(6e^-)$ $\text{Ni}^{4+} \rightarrow \text{Ni}^{2+}(2e^-)$	6	0	2

**Figure S6.** Change in the electron configurations of  $\text{M}_{0.125}\text{Mn}_{1.875}\text{O}_4$  ( $M = \text{Mn}, \text{Co}, \text{Cr}, \text{Cu}, \text{Fe}, \text{and Ni}$ ) experienced during the discharging process and resultant energetic benefit/penalty. The number of transition metal elements associated with either the energetic benefit, penalty, or no benefit experienced during the discharging process is counted for each compound.

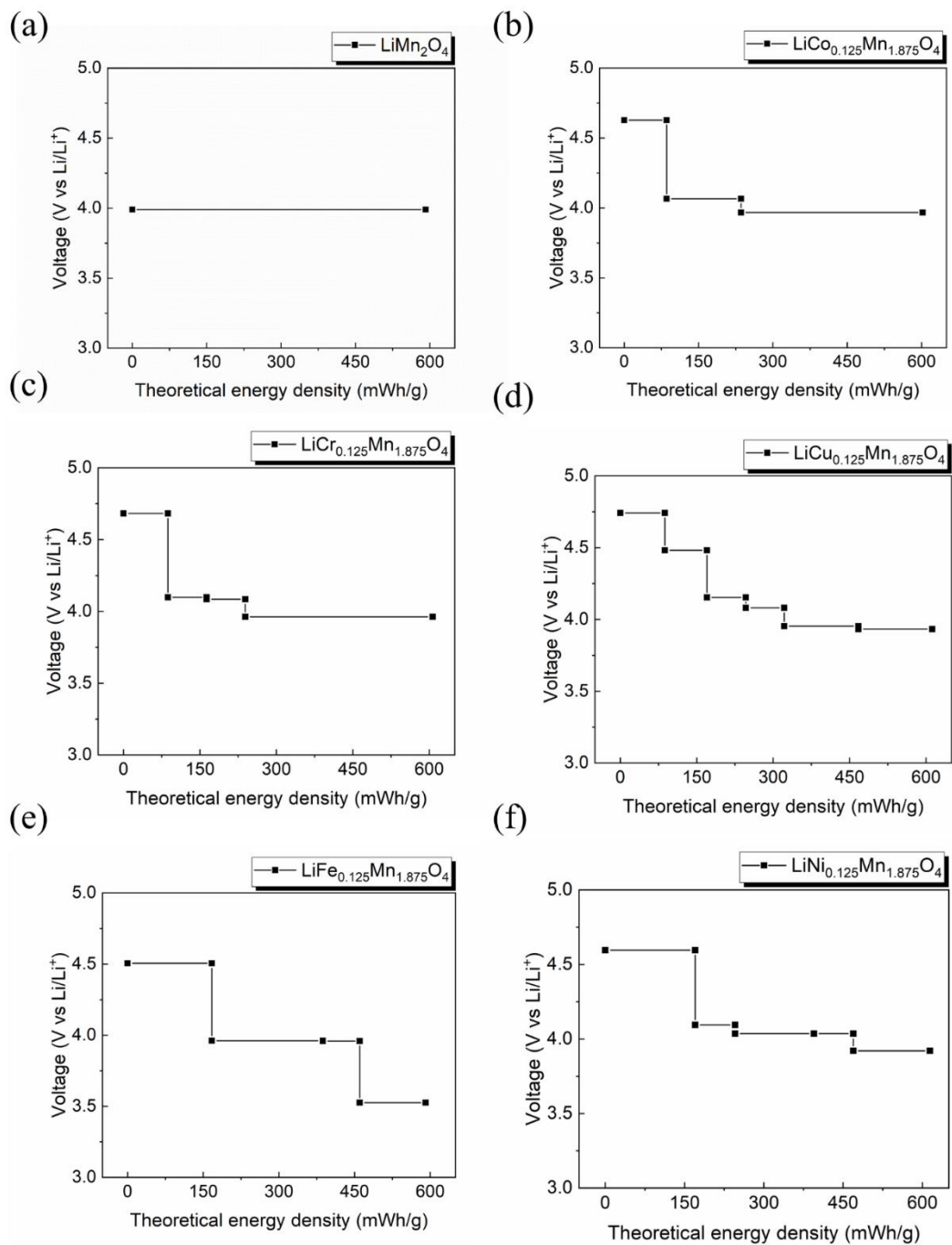




**Figure S7.** Formation energies and resultant voltages in the various delithiation levels for  $\text{Li}_x\text{M}_{0.125}\text{Mn}_{1.875}\text{O}_4$  ( $M =$  (a) Co, (b) Cr, (c) Cu, (d) Fe, and (e) Ni, where  $0 < x < 1$ ).



**Figure S8.** Theoretical charge capacity profiles for  $\text{Li}_x\text{M}_{0.125}\text{Mn}_{1.875}\text{O}_4$  ( $M =$  (a) Mn, (b) Co, (c) Cr, (d) Cu, (e) Fe, and (f) Ni, where  $0 < x < 1$ ).



**Figure S9.** Theoretical energy density profiles for for  $\text{Li}_x\text{M}_{0.125}\text{Mn}_{1.875}\text{O}_4$  ( $M =$  (a) Mn, (b) Co, (c) Cr, (d) Cu, (e) Fe, and (f) Ni, where  $0 < x < 1$ ).