

Electronic supplementary information

**Co-sintering a cathode material and garnet electrolyte to develop
a bulk-type solid-state Li metal battery with wide electrochemical
windows**

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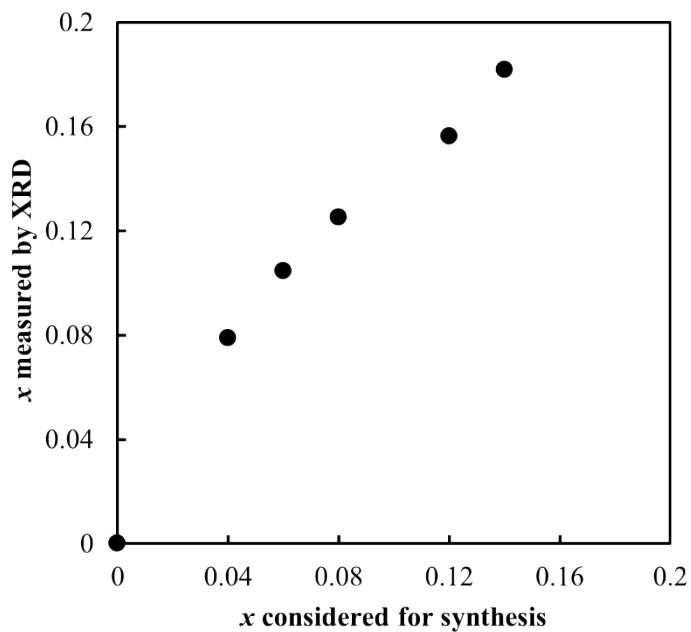
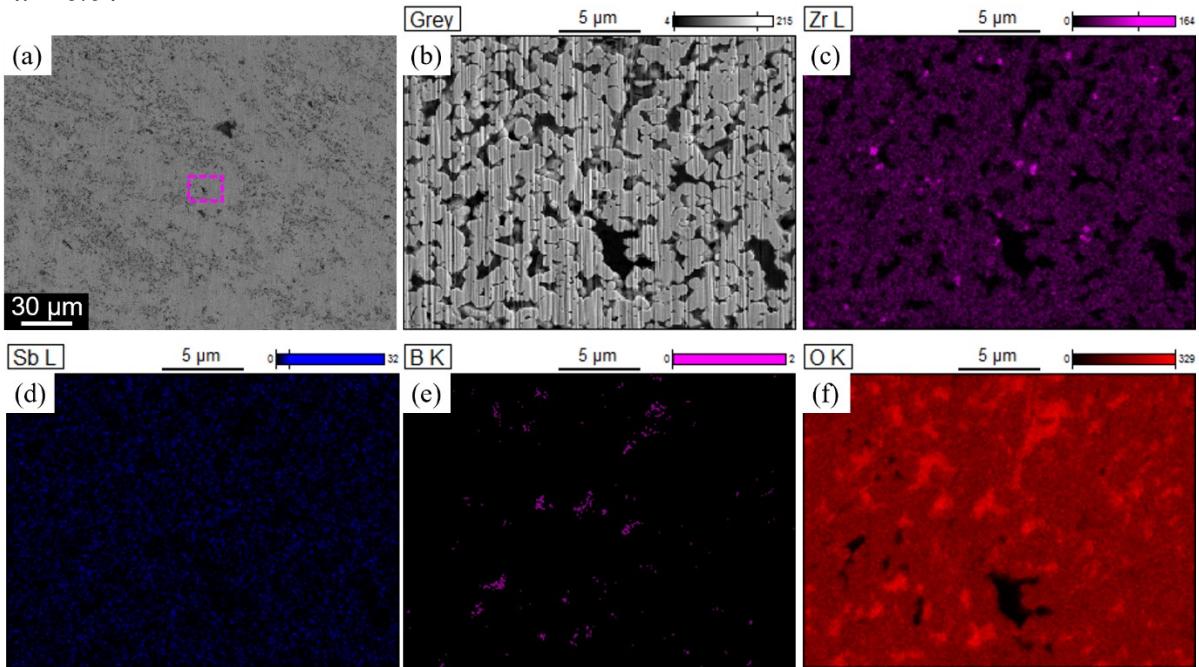


Fig. S1 Relationship between the x values considered for synthesis and those estimated by XRD.

$x = 0.04$



$x = 0.14$

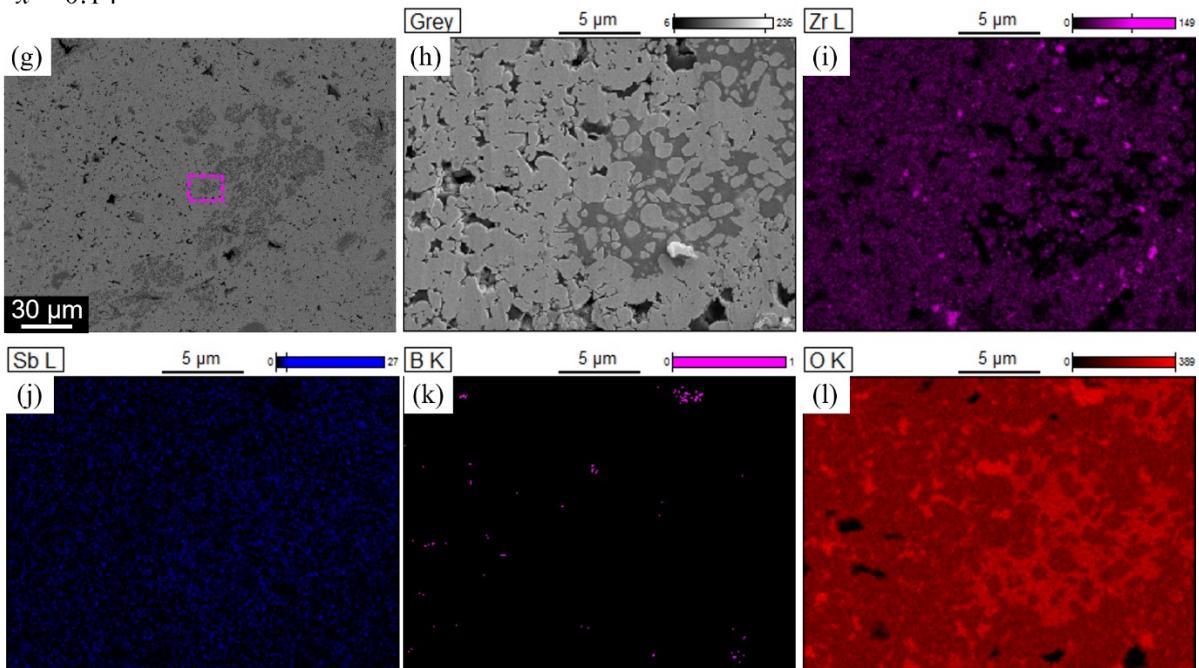


Fig. S2 (a, b, g, h) SEM images and (c–f, i–l) EDS-derived elemental maps of the LZ-CaSb + $x\text{Li}_7\text{SbO}_6 + \text{Li}_3\text{BO}_3$ composite electrolyte sintered at 750 °C for x values of (a–f) 0.04 and (g–l) 0.14. The SEM and EDS images in (b–f) and (h–l) correspond to the pink square shown in (a) and (g).

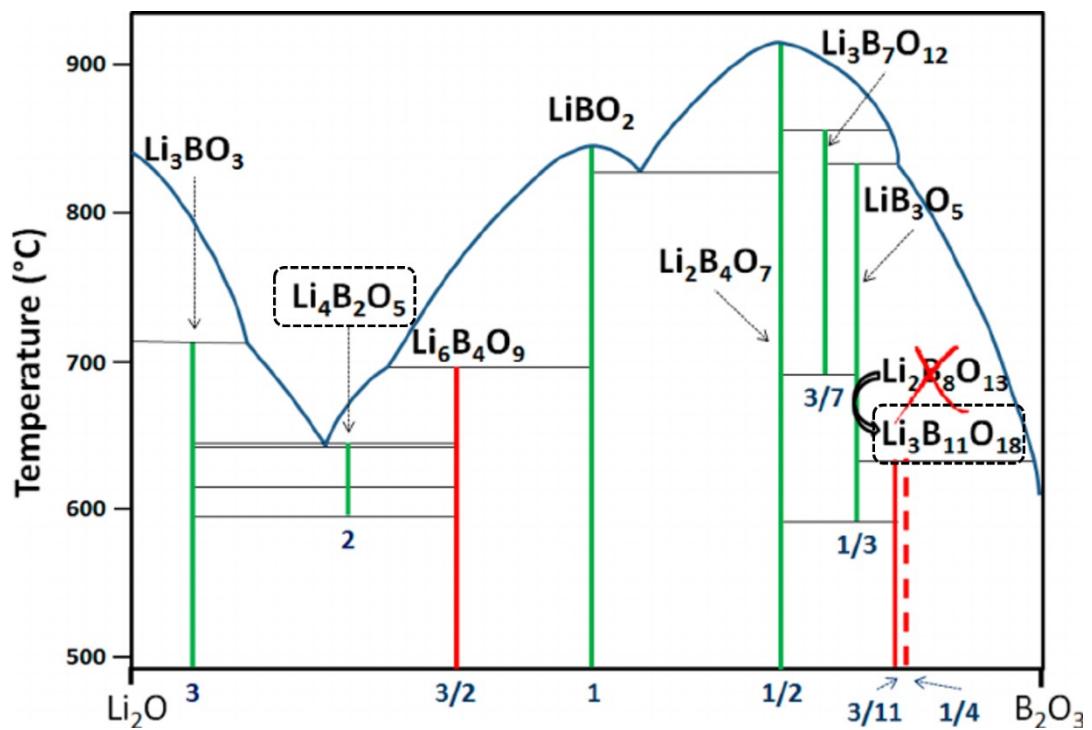


Fig. S3 The $\text{L}_2\text{O}-\text{B}_2\text{O}_3$ phase diagram reported by Rousse *et al.*³⁷

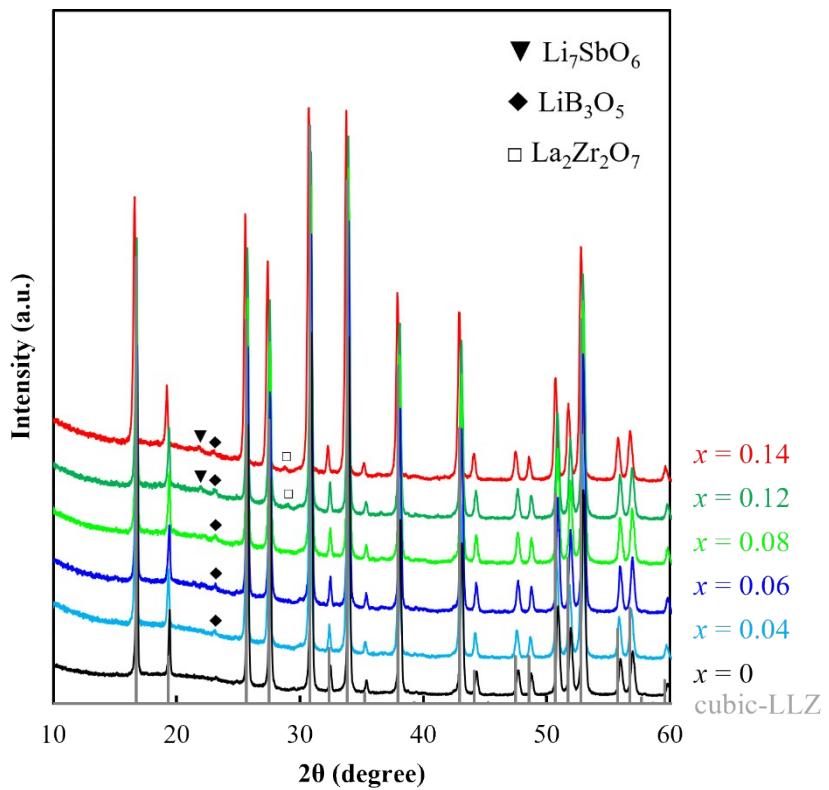


Fig. S4 XRD patterns of the LLZ-CaSb + x Li₇SbO₆ + Li₃BO₃ composite electrolytes sintered at 750 °C.

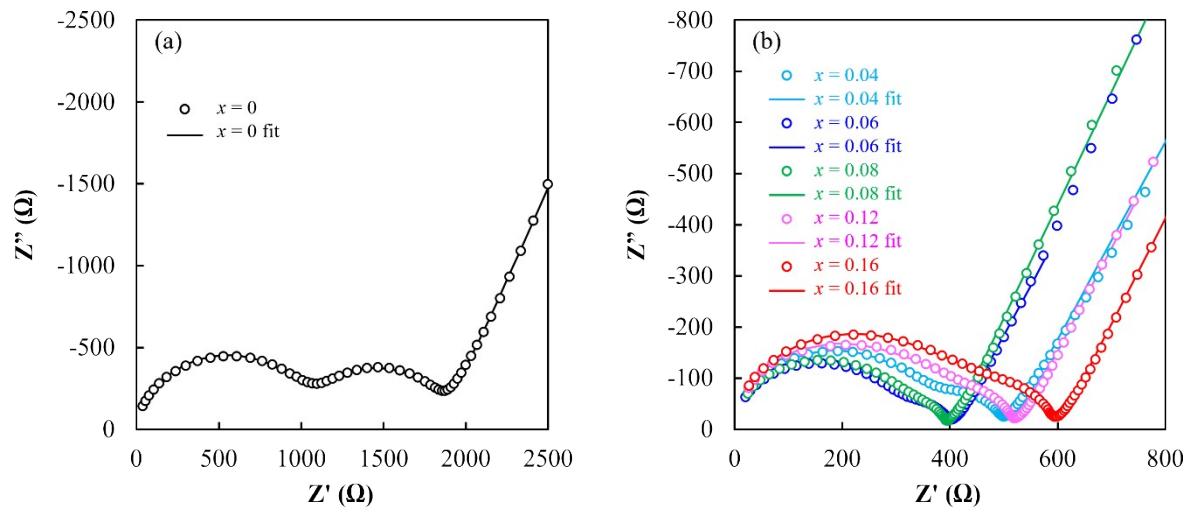


Fig. S5 Nyquist plots acquired at 298 K for the LLZ-CaSb + $x\text{Li}_7\text{SbO}_6$ ($x = 0\text{--}0.16$) + Li_3BO_3 composite electrolytes sintered at 750 °C.

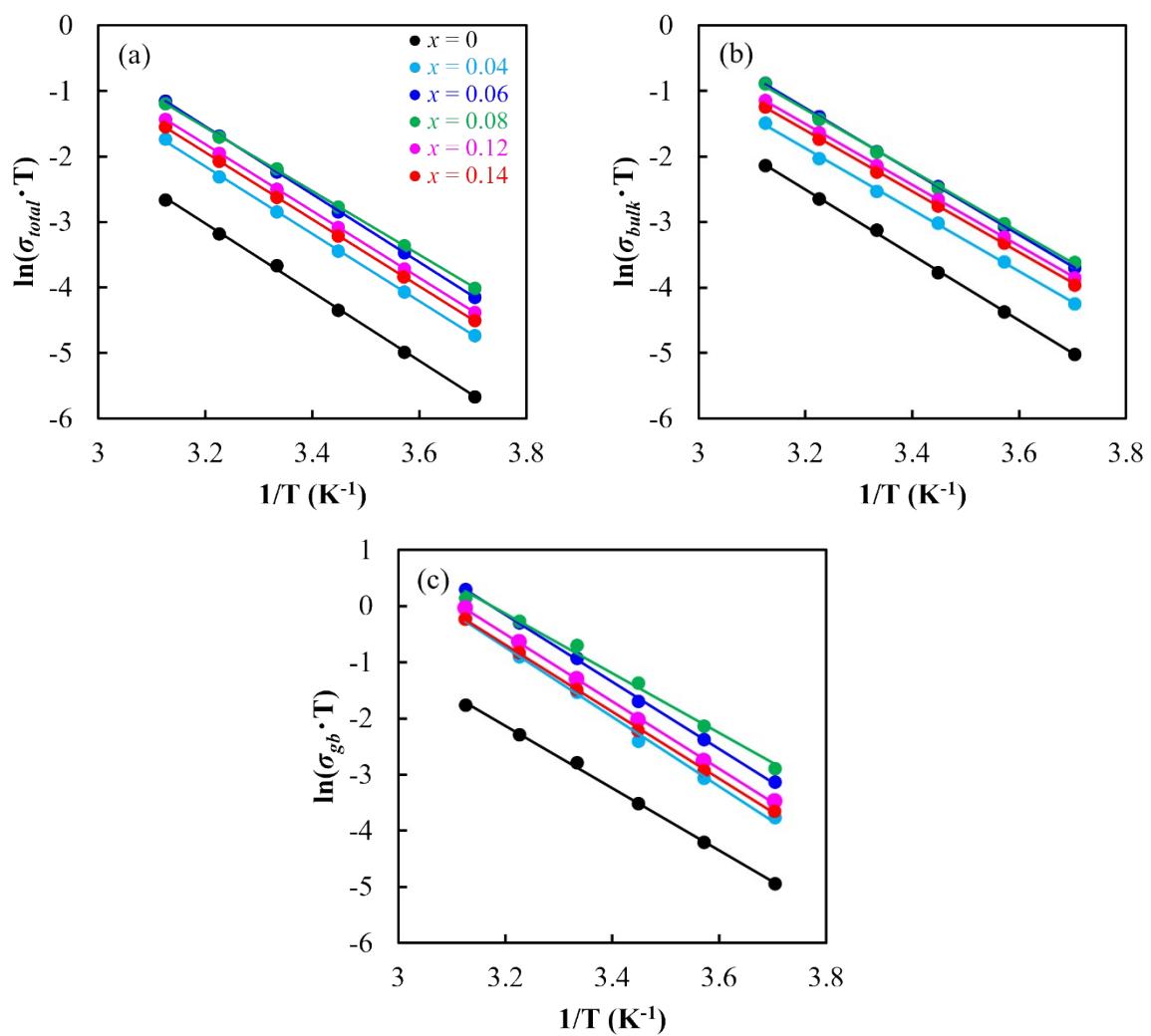


Fig. S6 Arrhenius plots of (a) total ionic conductivity, (b) bulk ionic conductivity, (c) and grain-boundary ionic conductivity measured at 240–320 K.

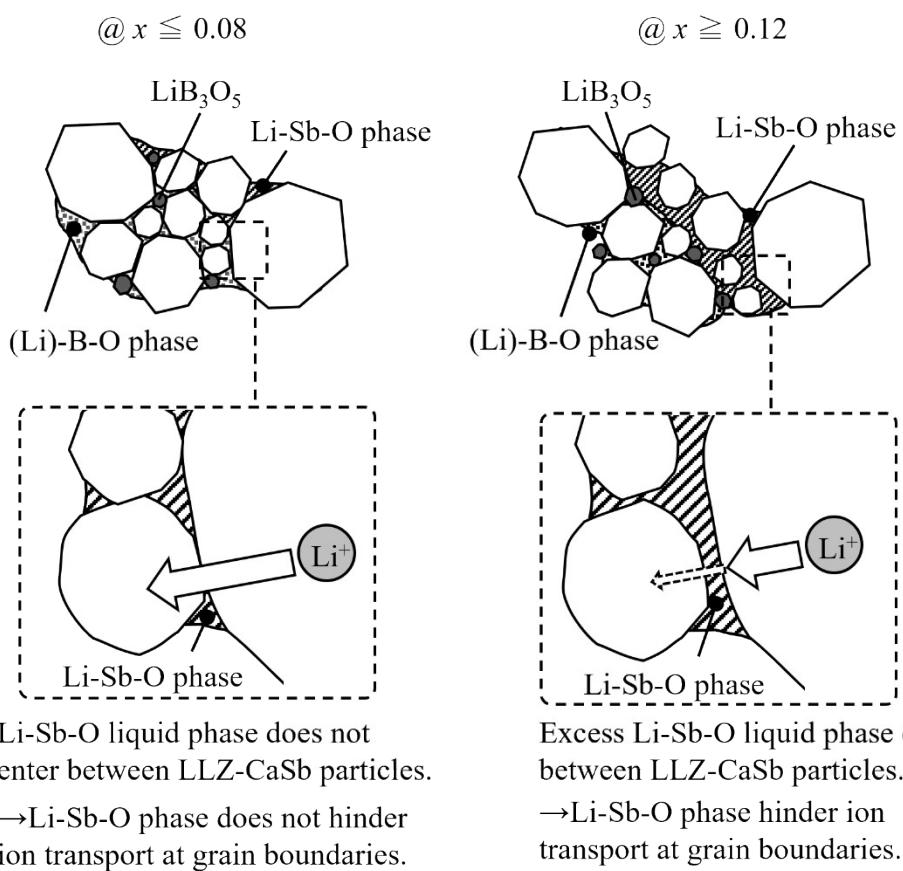


Fig. S7 Schematics illustrating the manner in which the amount of the Li-Sb-O phase depends on ion transport.

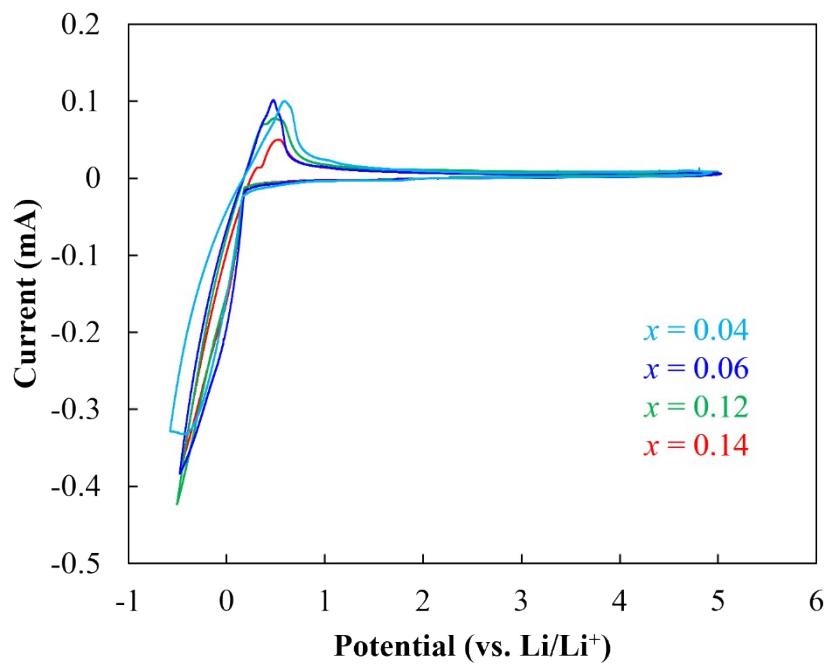


Fig. S8 Cyclic voltammetry profiles of the $\text{Au}|\text{LLZ-CaSb} + x\text{Li}_7\text{SbO}_6$ ($x = 0.04, 0.06, 0.12$, and 0.14) + $\text{Li}_3\text{BO}_3|\text{Li}$ cell at a scan rate of 1 mV/s.

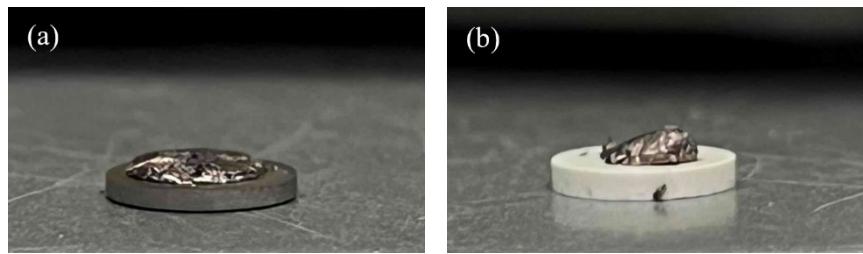


Fig. S9 Molten Li metal wetting behaviour of LLZ-CaSb + 0.08Li₇SbO₆ + Li₃BO₃ electrolyte specimens (a) with and (b) without Au surface coating.

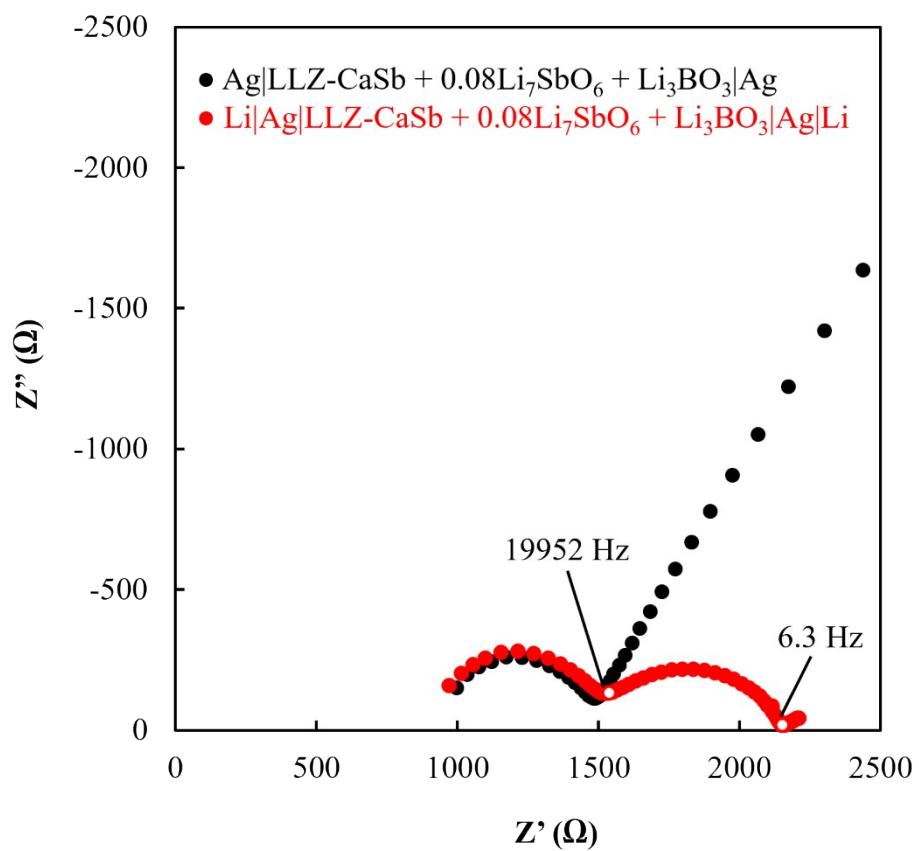


Fig. S10 Nyquist plots of Ag|LLZ-CaSb + 0.08Li₇SbO₆ + Li₃BO₃|Ag and Li|Ag|LLZ-CaSb + 0.08Li₇SbO₆ + Li₃BO₃|Ag|Li.

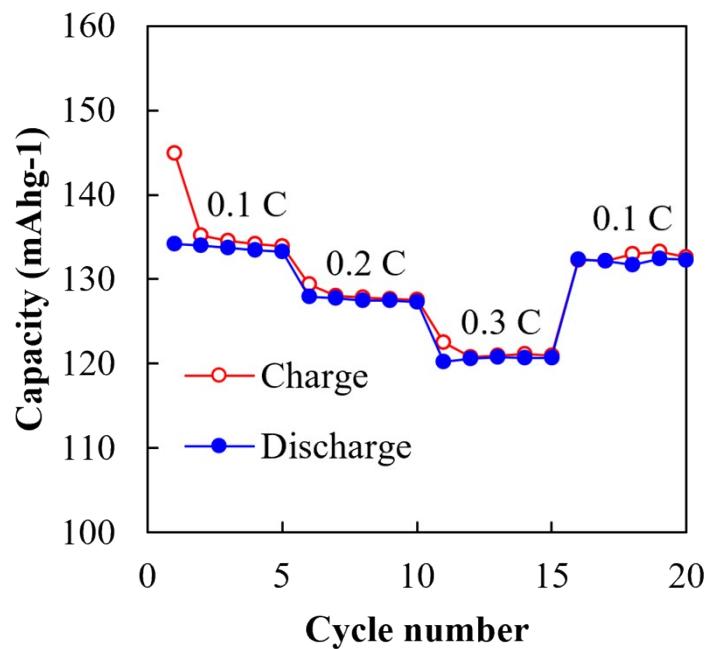


Fig. S11 Rate performance of the $\text{Li}|\text{LLZ-CaSb} + 0.08\text{Li}_7\text{SbO}_6|\text{LiCoO}_2 + \text{LLZ-CaSb} + 0.08\text{Li}_7\text{SbO}_6 + \text{Li}_3\text{BO}_3$ ASSB at 25 °C.

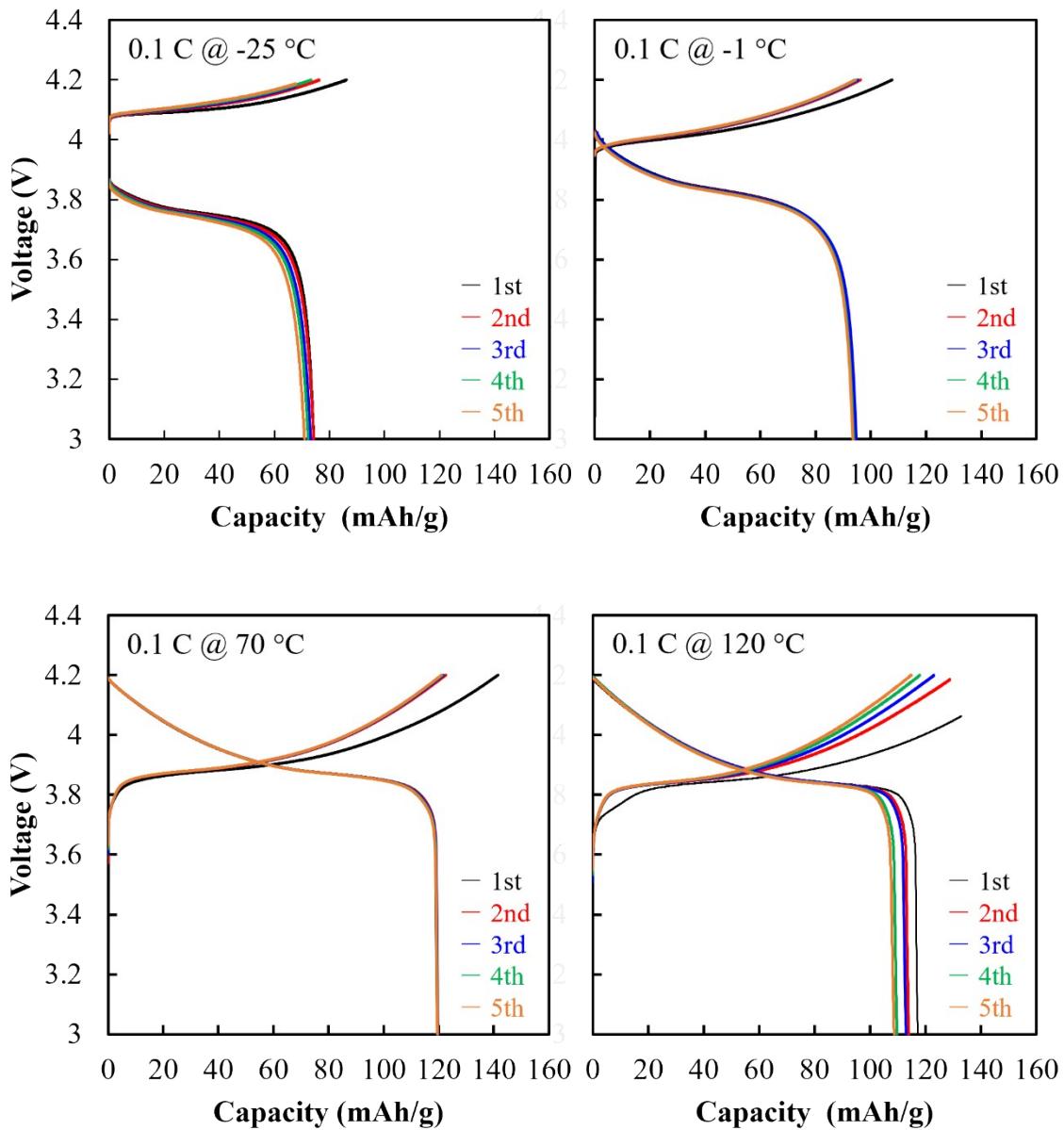


Fig. S12 Temperature-dependent performance of the Li|LLZ-CaSb + 0.08Li₇SbO₆ + Li₃BO₃ ASSB at 0.1C.

Table S1 Manufacturing temperatures, test environments, and performance data of Li plating/stripping tests conducted in the present and previous studies

Study	Sample	Test temperature (°C)	Current density (mA/cm ²)	Test duration	LLZ sintering temperature (°C)
Xu <i>et al.</i> (2017) ²⁵	Li Li _{6.5} La ₃ Zr _{1.5} Ta _{0.5} O ₁₂ +Li ₃ PO ₄ Li	60	0.1	6 h	1140
Huang <i>et al.</i> (2018) ⁴²	Li Li _{6.4} La ₃ Zr _{1.4} Ta _{0.6} O ₁₂ Li	25	0.1–0.3	300 h	1250
Song <i>et al.</i> (2018) ⁴³	Li Li _{7.2} La ₃ Zr _{1.8} Gd _{0.2} O ₁₂ Li	25	0.05	90 h	1220
		25	0.1	90 h	
		25	0.2	90 h	
Alexander <i>et al.</i> (2018) ⁴⁴	Li Al Li _{6.28} Al _{0.24} La ₃ Zr ₂ O ₁₂ Al Li	25	0.03	7.2 h	1200
Indu <i>et al.</i> (2019) ⁴⁵	Li Au Li _{6.5} La ₃ Zr _{1.75} Te _{0.25} O ₁₂ Au Li	25	0.1	900 min	1100
Koshikawa <i>et al.</i> (2019) ⁴⁶	Li Au Li _{6.25} Al _{0.25} La ₃ Zr ₂ O ₁₂ Au Li	25	0.05	6 h	1200
Su <i>et al.</i> (2019) ⁴⁷	Li Li _{6.4} Ga _{0.2} La ₃ Zr ₂ O ₁₂ Li	27	0.4	600 h	1150
Dong <i>et al.</i> (2020) ⁴⁸	Li Li ₇ La ₃ Zr _{1.75} Ce _{0.25} O ₁₂ Li	60	0.0125	100 h	1050
		60	0.025	50 h	
		60	0.05	50 h	
Present study	Li Au LLZ-CaSb+0.08Li ₇ SbO ₆ +Li ₃ BO ₃ Au Li	25	0.05	150 h	750