

## Electronic Supporting Information

### Significant Suppression of Exothermic Heat Flow in Silicon Anodes via In-Situ Polymerization of Phosphonium Ionic Liquids

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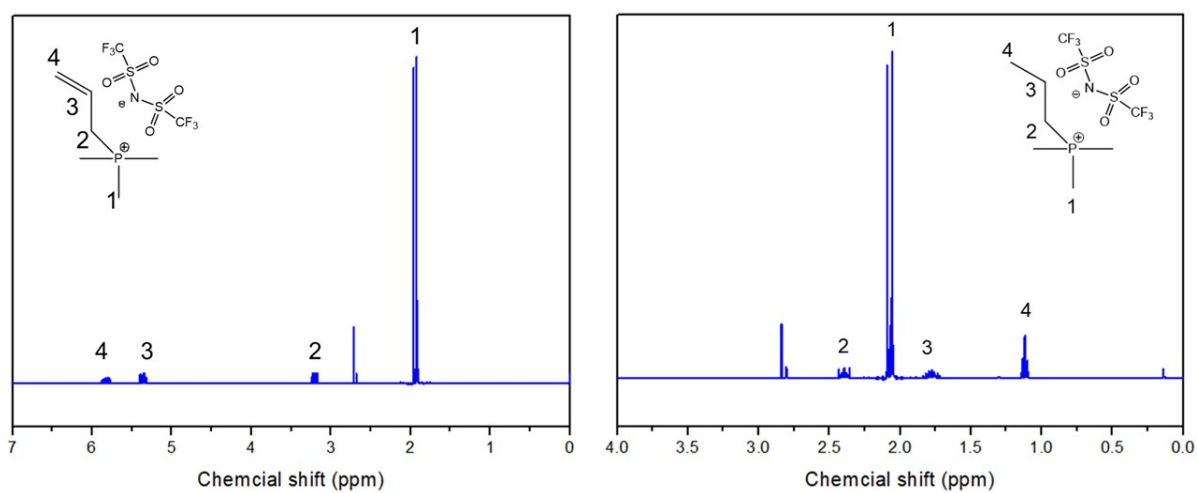
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**Table S1.** The corresponding  $R_s$ ,  $R_{SEI}$ , and  $R_{ct}$  values (ohm) were extracted from the equivalent circuit in the EIS data in Si|Li half-cell configuration.

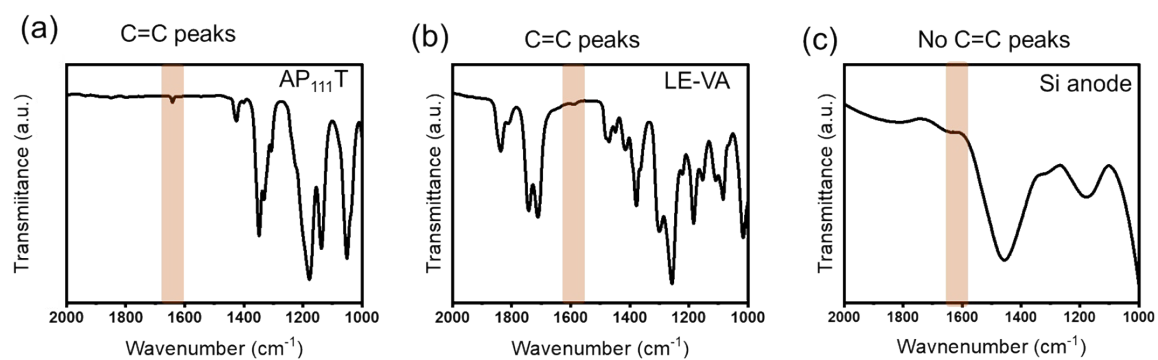
Cell state	LE			LE-A			LE-P		
	$R_s$	$R_{SEI}$	$R_{ct}$	$R_s$	$R_{SEI}$	$R_{ct}$	$R_s$	$R_{SEI}$	$R_{ct}$
Before formation	2.547	-	223.6	2.582	-	150.9	2.588	-	204.9
After Formation	1.289	8.197	37.97	1.625	5.161	34.14	1.698	6.138	36.4

**Table S2.** DSC measurement results with different electrolytes. All the electrolytes are mixed with a fully lithiated Si anode.

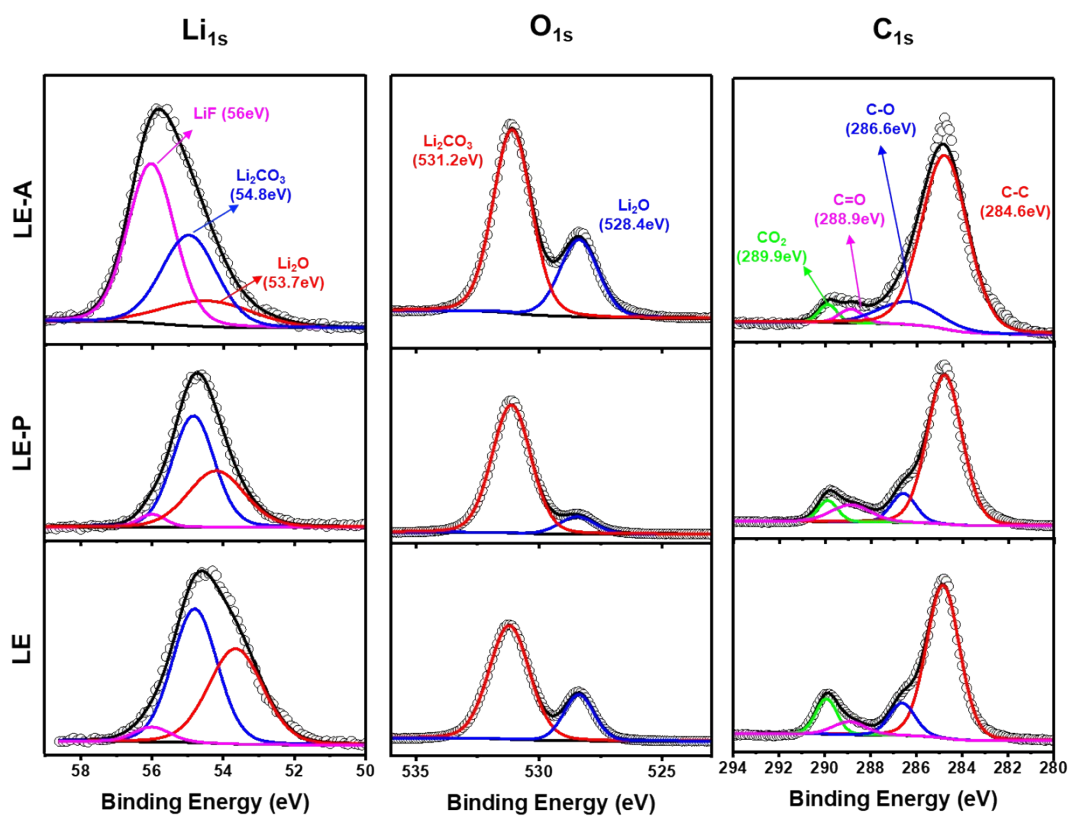
Electrolyte	Specific Heat Flow [W/g]	Exothermic Temperature [°C]	
LE-VA	3.82	302	With VC
LE-V	48.95	335.6	
LE-VP	51.7	299	
LE-A	9.56	251.1	Without VC
LE	37.34	282.3	
LE-P	40.04	252.7	
LE-VA@Si + LE-V	3.28	291	With VC
LE-V@Si + LE-VA	38.79	283	



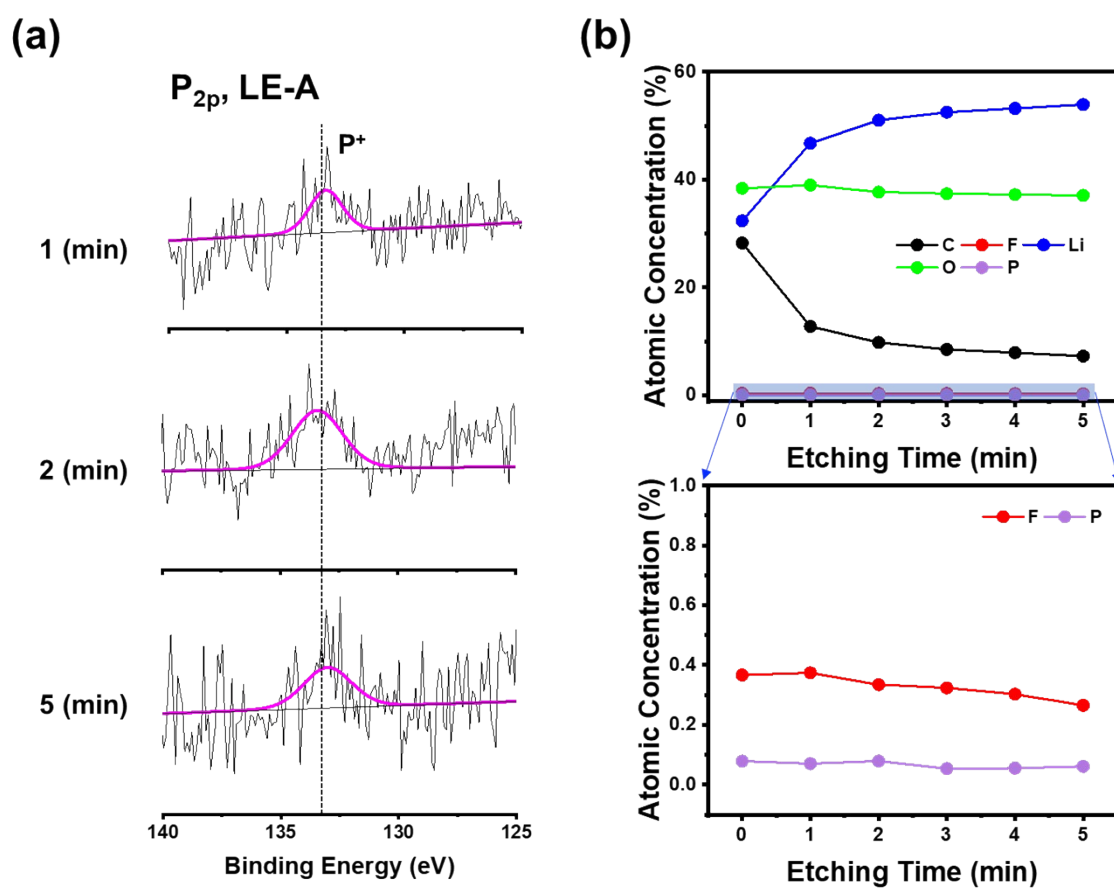
**Figure S1.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data of  $\text{AP}_{111}\text{T}$  and  $\text{PP}_{111}\text{T}$  monomer.



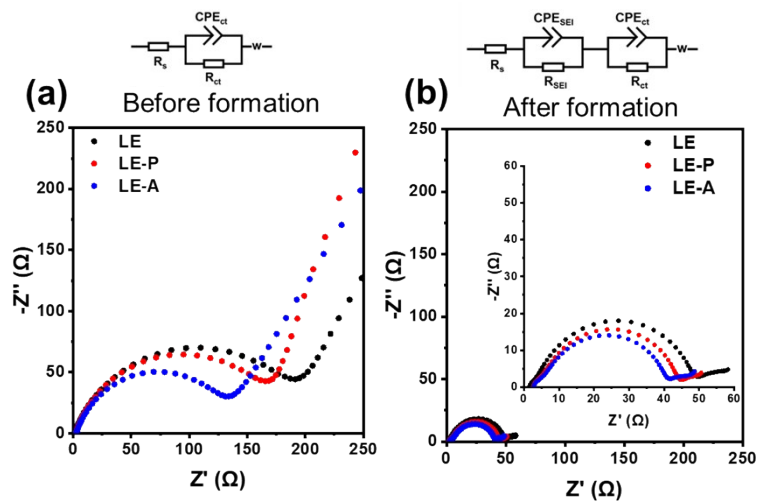
**Figure S2.** FT-IR spectra of (a) AP<sub>111</sub>T, (b) LE-VA, and (c) the silicon anode surface after cycling in LE-VA. The absence of the C=C peak on the silicon anode surface indicates successful polymerization of the 5 wt.% AP<sub>111</sub>T monomer.



**Figure S3.** XPS spectra for one lithiated Si anode with different electrolytes. In the  $\text{Li}_{1s}$  the  $\text{LiF}$  (56 eV),  $\text{Li}_2\text{CO}_3$  (54.8 eV),  $\text{Li}_2\text{O}$  (53.7 eV) peaks were observed.

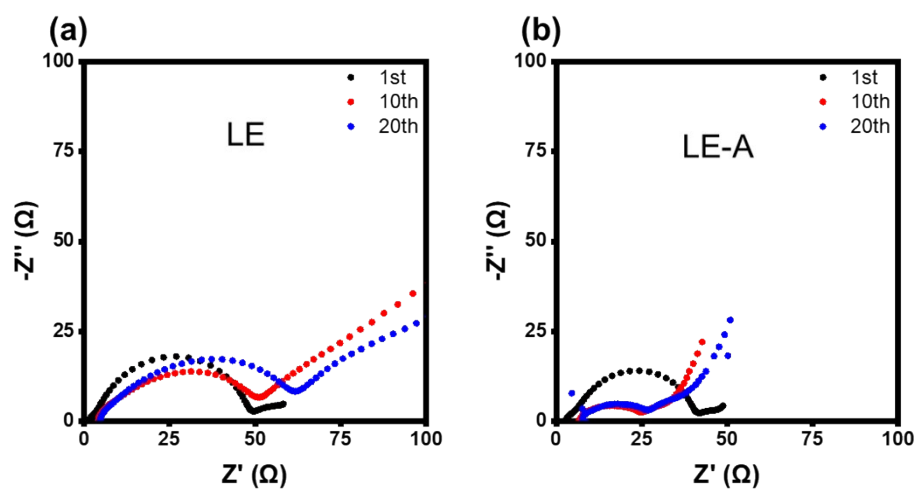


**Figure S4.** Depth profile along the Ar etching time. All the elements represented lithiated LE-A Si anode. (a) P<sub>2p</sub> spectra and (b) atomic ratio in the SEI layer.

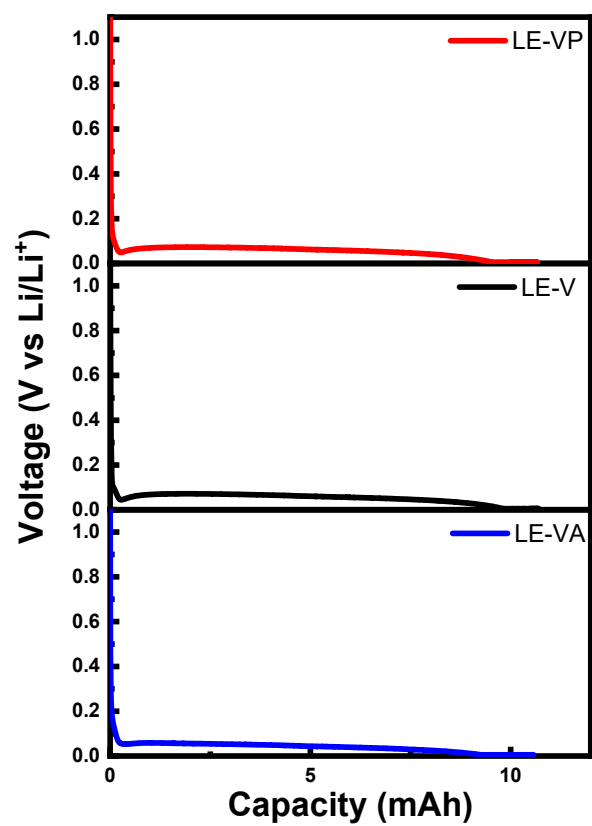


**Figure S5.** Electrochemical impedance spectroscopy (EIS) data and their equivalent circuits for Si half-cells were shown for (a) before and (b) after formation with different electrolytes. The inset profile in the (b) was presented in an enlarged view.

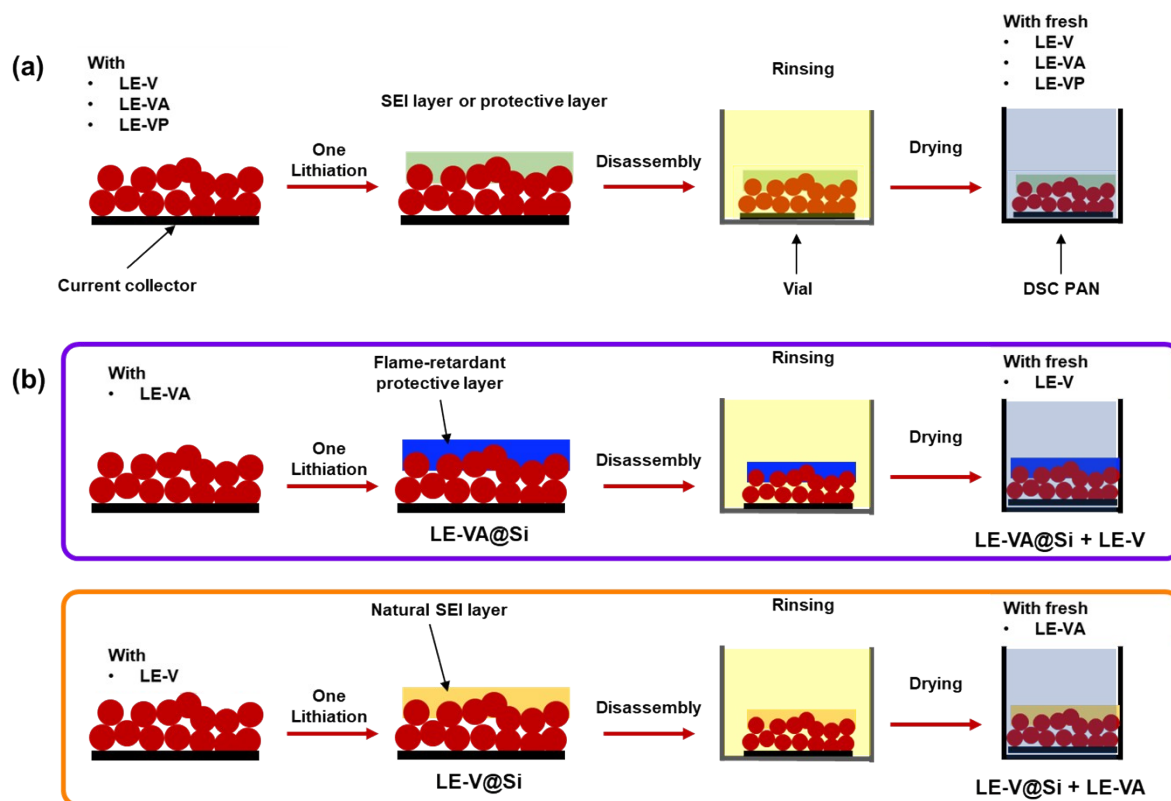




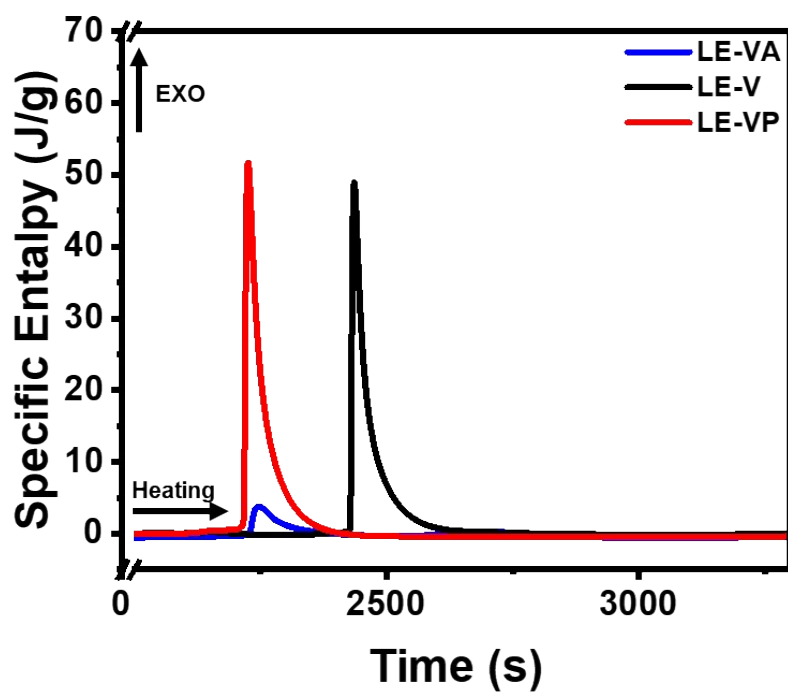
**Figure S6.** Electrochemical impedance spectroscopy (EIS) data for Si half-cells after the 1<sup>st</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup> cycles are shown for (a) the LE and (b) the LE-A.



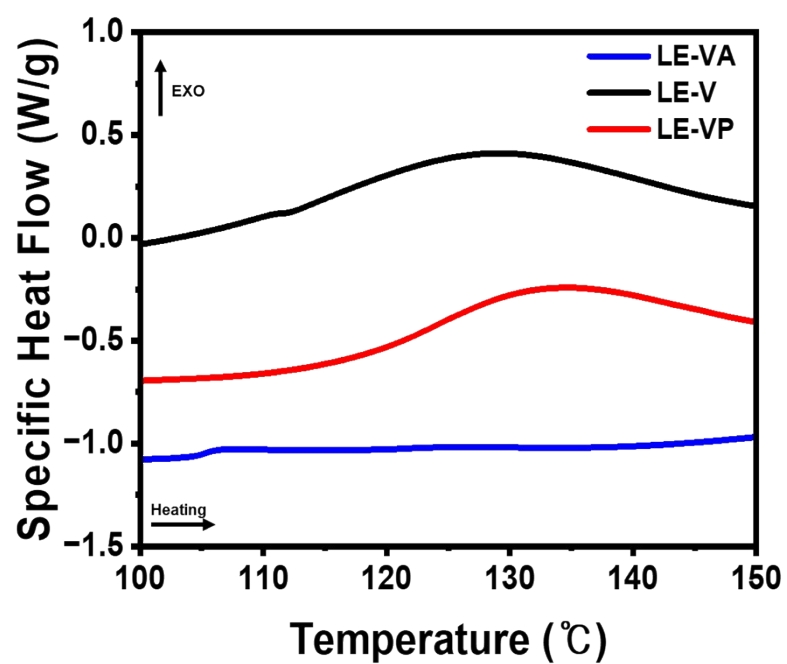
**Figure S7.** Discharge profiles for first lithiation of Silicon anode in this study with different electrolytes.



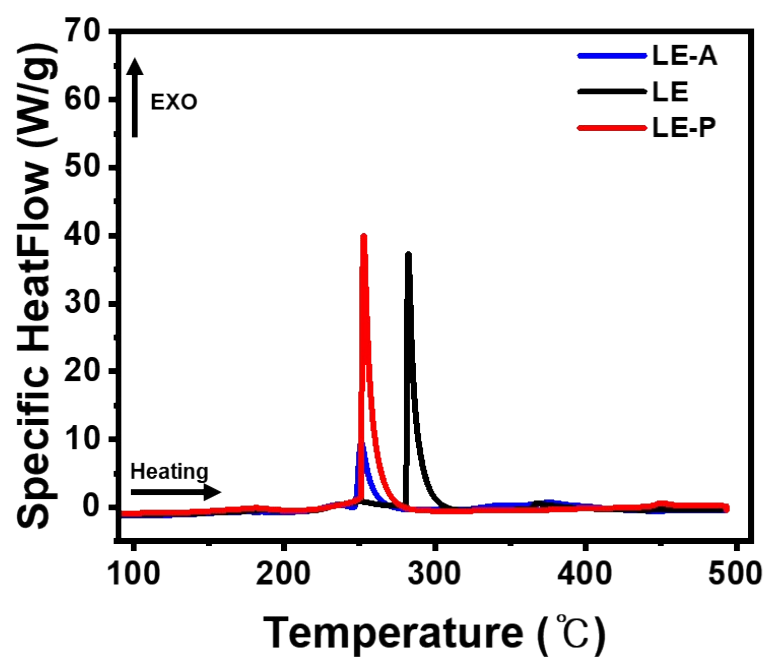
**Figure S8.** Preparation process for DSC sampling. (a) same electrolyte used for lithiation and DSC sampling. (b) Different electrolyte used for lithiation and DSC sampling.



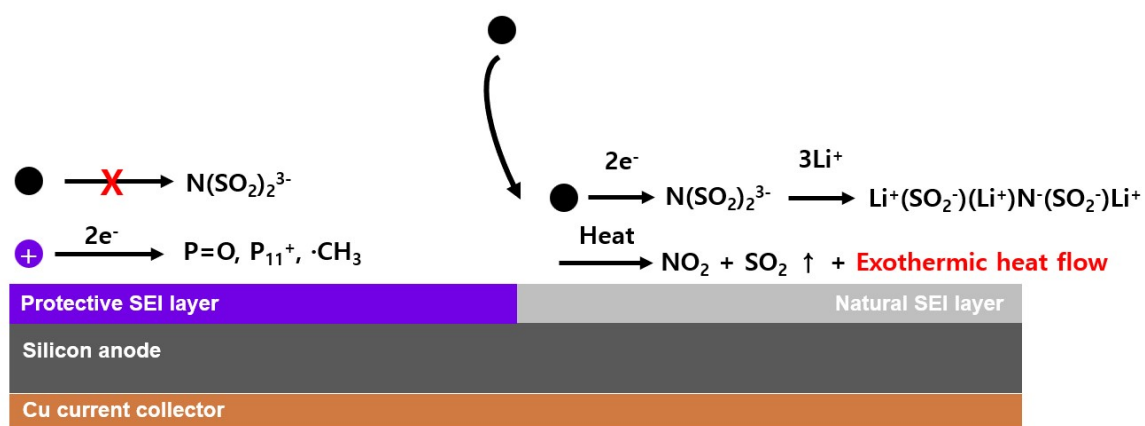
**Figure S9.** Specific enthalpy as a function of temperature for lithiated Si anodes in the presence of LE-V series electrolyte.



**Figure S10.** Specific heat flow in the low-temperature range (100-150 °C) for lithiated Si anodes in the presence of LE-V with or without additives.

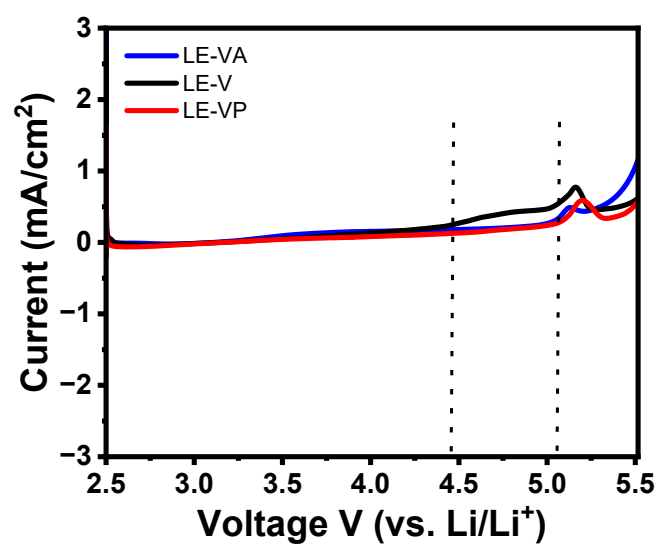


**Figure S11.** Specific heat flow for lithiated Si anodes with LE series. Which didn't include VC additive.



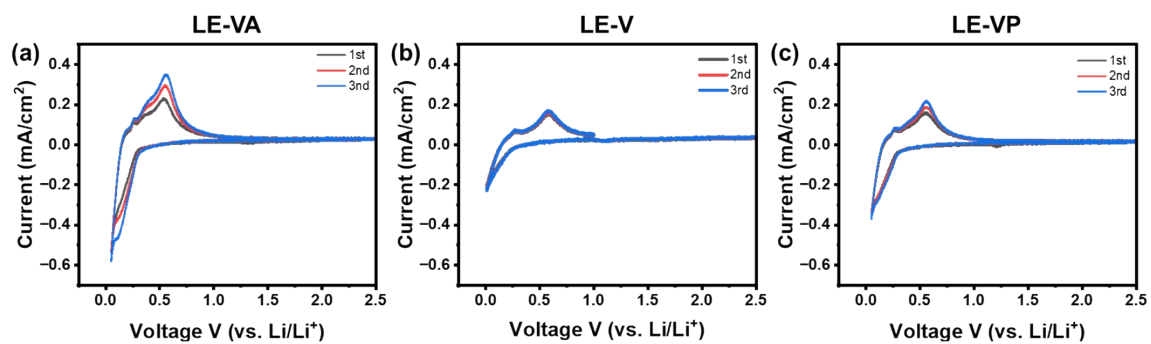
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**Figure S12.** Possible mechanism for radical scavenging of AP<sub>111</sub>T-derived protective layer.

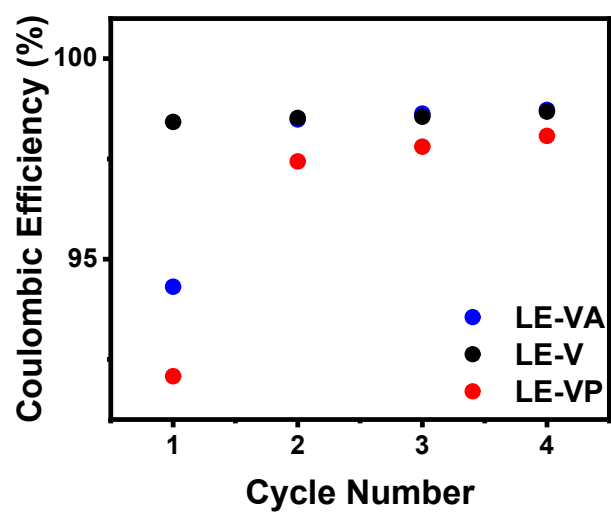


**Figure S13.** Linear sweep voltammogram (LSV) curves of Li||Pt cells with three different electrolytes as a scan rate of 0.1 mV/s.

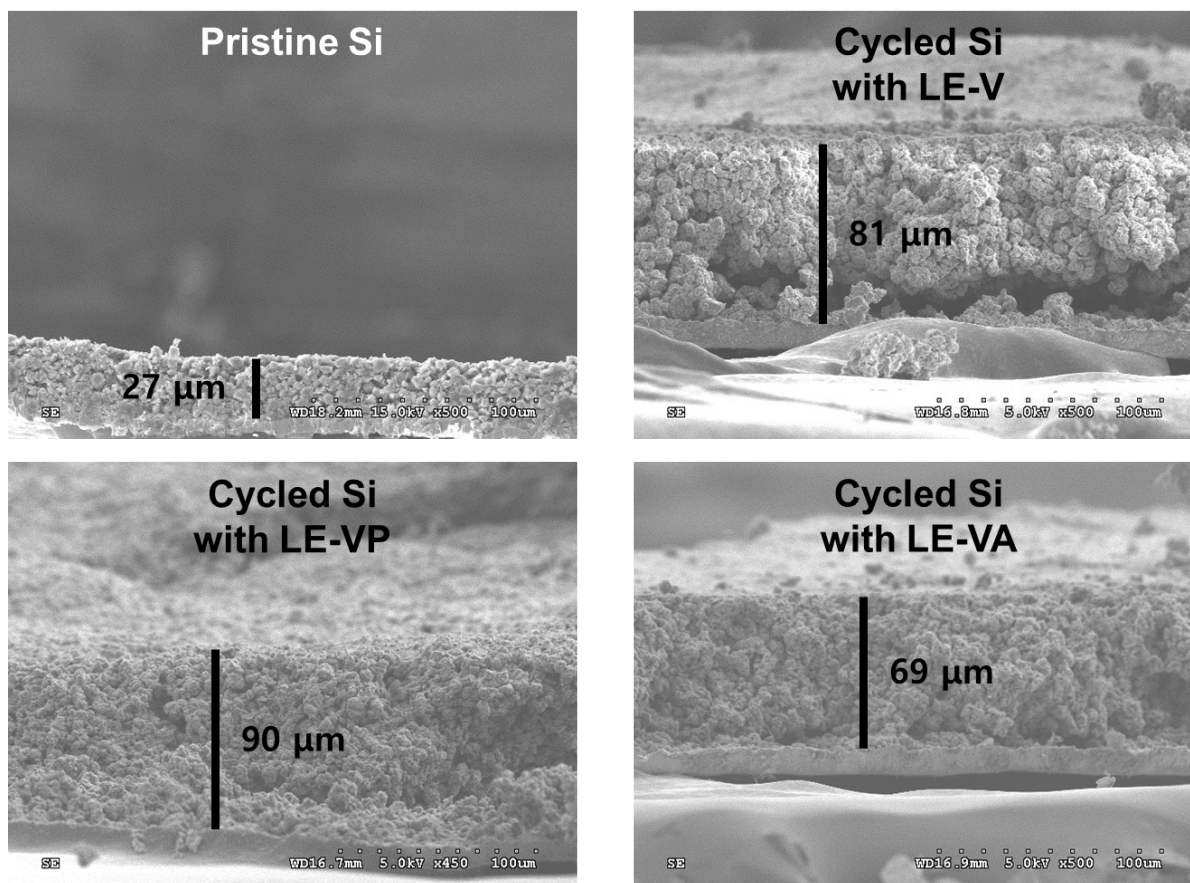




**Figure S14.** Cyclic voltammogram (CV) of different electrolytes for (a) LE-VA, (b) LE-V and (c) LE-VP.



**Figure S15.** Initial coulombic efficiency of long-term cycling measurements.



**Figure S16.** Cross-sectional SEM images of pristine state Si anode and cycled Si electrode with different electrolytes.