Supporting information

## In-situ Polymerized Electrolyte Layer via Frustrated Lewis Pairs Enables Aque-

## ous Zn Metal Batteries with Ultrahigh Accumulated Capacity of 12 Ah cm<sup>-2</sup>

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Figure S1. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy of zinc anode after 36 h of cycling in the electrolyte containing AMPS



Figure S2. (a)~(b) Cross-sectional and surface SEM images of the interface of electrolyte/Zn anode in the electrolyte without AMPS.



Figure S3. Tafel curves of the Zn metal electrode in the 0.5% AMPS-contained and AMPS-free electrolyte.



Figure S4. Cross-sectional SEM images of the interface of electrolyte/Zn anode in the electrolyte (a)~(b) without and (c)~(d) with AMPS.



Figure S5. Electrochemical plating/stripping behavior of Zn metal electrode in different concentrations of AMPS in 2m ZnSO<sub>4</sub> electrolyte. a) Coulombic efficiency of Zn||Cu asymmetry cell at a current density of 3 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> with a fixed capacity of 1 mAh cm<sup>-2</sup>. b) Voltage profiles of Zn||Zn symmetry cell at a current density of 5 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> with a fixed capacity of 5 mA h cm<sup>-2</sup>. c–f) SEM images of the Zn deposits at a current density of 5 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> with a capacity of 25 mAh cm<sup>-2</sup>.



Figure S6. Trend of pH change after addition of 0.25%, 5%, 1% and 2% AMPS to 2M  $\,$ 

aqueous zinc sulfate solution



Figure S7. Comparison of the cycling lifespan of the reported Zn||Zn symmetrical cells and this work at 1 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> and 1 mAh cm<sup>-2</sup>.



Figure S8. In-situ EIS of Zn||Zn cell using (a) AMPS-Containing and (b) AMPS-Free

electrolytes.



Figure S9. Long-term galvanostatic cycling of Zn||Zn symmetric cells at a current density 5 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> and capacity of 5 mA h cm<sup>-2</sup>, with AMPS contained in situ and ex situ.



Figure S10. Voltage profiles of Zn||Zn symmetric cells in AMPS-containing and AMPS-free electrolytes cycled at a) 10 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> and 5 mAh cm<sup>-2</sup>; b) 20 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> and 5 mAh cm<sup>-2</sup> (DoD<sub>Zn</sub> = 7.5%); c) 20 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> and 20 mAh cm<sup>-2</sup> (DoD<sub>Zn</sub> = 30%).



Figure S11. Voltage profiles of Zn||Zn symmetric cells in AMPS-containing and AMPS-free electrolytes cycled at a) 20 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> and 30 mAh cm<sup>-2</sup> (DoD<sub>Zn</sub> = 45%); b) 20 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> and 40 mA h cm<sup>-2</sup> (DoD<sub>Zn</sub> = 60%); c) 20 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> and 50 mA h cm<sup>-2</sup> (DoD<sub>Zn</sub> = 75%).



Figure S12. (a)~(d) Surface and cross-sectional and SEM images of the Zn anode cycled in the electrolyte with and without AMPS. (e) S 2p and (f) N 1s on Zn electrode separated from electrolytes after 24/100 cycles with 1 mA cm<sup>-2</sup>, 1 mAh cm<sup>-2</sup>.



Figure S13. Cross-sectional SEM images of the interface of electrolyte/Zn anode in the electrolyte (a)~(b) without and (c)~(d) with AMPS.



Figure S14. XRD pattern of MnO<sub>2</sub> cathode.



Figure S15. a) Cyclic voltammetry curves of  $Zn||MnO_2$  full cell with different electrolytes. b) Galvanostatic charge and discharge profiles of  $Zn||MnO_2$  full cell with AMPS-added electrolyte.

Electrolytes	Cathodes	Energy density (Wh kg <sup>-1</sup> )	Cycle num- ber	Ref.
1 M				
ZnSO4+0.4	$La^{3+}-\delta MnO_{2}$	375 9	200	13
		575.9	200	15
2 M				
ZnSO <sub>4</sub> +0.2	$Cu^{2+}-\delta MnO_2$ Nanowire	497	700	14
M MnSO <sub>4</sub>				
2 M				
ZnSO <sub>4</sub> +0.2	$\alpha$ -MnO <sub>2</sub> /graphene Nan-	406.6	3000	15
M MnSO <sub>4</sub>	owire			
2 M ZnSO <sub>4</sub>	$Co_3O_4@-\delta MnO_2/CC$	212.8	250	16
1 M				
Zn(CF <sub>3</sub> SO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	183	2000	17
+21 M				
I TESI				
$2 M 7_{\rm r} SO$	$V^{4+} V_{2} O_{7}$	250	1000	10
2 IVI 211504	V -V205	230	1000	10
-	$NaV_6O_{15}$	337	150	19
3 M	VO <sub>2</sub>	271.8	10000	20
$Zn(CF_3SO_3)_2$				20
Na <sub>2</sub> SO	NiHCF	106	10000	01
4+ZnSO4				21
ZHPE	ZHF	101	1000	22
This work	MnO <sub>2</sub>	377	10000	

 Table S1 Comparison of the full cell's gravimetric energy density based on the cathode
 of literature-reported zinc battery systems.

In Revision: Table R1 has been added into the revised SI.

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