

**Rapid Li⁺ transport within the MOF-based composite solid electrolyte enables
High-Performance FeS₂-Based Quasi-Solid-State Batteries**

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Preparation of CPE with different ratios

The solution was prepared by first dissolving 0.85 g and 0.95 g of PAN, respectively, in 10 mL of anhydrous DMF, followed by the successive addition of 0.15 g and 0.05 g of La-MOF, 0.015 g of TiO₂, and 0.2 g of LiTFSI, with intermittent stirring after each addition. All procedures were carried out in an argon-atmosphere glove box (H₂O/O₂ < 1 ppm). Electrospinning was performed under the following conditions: a voltage of 18 kV, a feed rate of 0.15 mm·min⁻¹, a collection distance of 20 cm, and a controlled relative humidity of 55-60%. The collected membrane was finally vacuum-dried at 60 °C for 6 h.

Synthesis of FeS₂ materials

All chemicals were used as received without further purification. The FeS₂

cathode material employed in this experiment was synthesised via the hydrothermal method. Dissolve 2.40 g of $\text{Na}_2\text{S}\cdot 9\text{H}_2\text{O}$ in 40 mL of deionised water, then add 0.32 g of ground sublimed sulphur. Place the solution on a magnetic stirrer and maintain stirring at 80 °C for 6 h. Once the solution turned clear yellow, the precursor solution was prepared. Subsequently, 2.78 g of $\text{FeSO}_4\cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$ was dissolved in 20 mL of deionised water. Under magnetic stirring at room temperature, the precursor solution from the first step was added dropwise using a pipette, with continuous stirring throughout. Once the precursor solution was fully incorporated, the mixture was transferred to a PTFE-lined vessel. The PTFE-lined vessel was placed on a magnetic stirrer and stirred at 60 °C for 30 minutes. Subsequently, the mixture was placed in a 100 mL stainless steel autoclave and maintained at 200 °C for 12 h. Allow the mixture to cool naturally to room temperature. Thoroughly wash the samples with deionised water and ethanol respectively, then dry in an oven at 60 °C for 24 h. The final product, FeS_2 , is obtained in powder form.

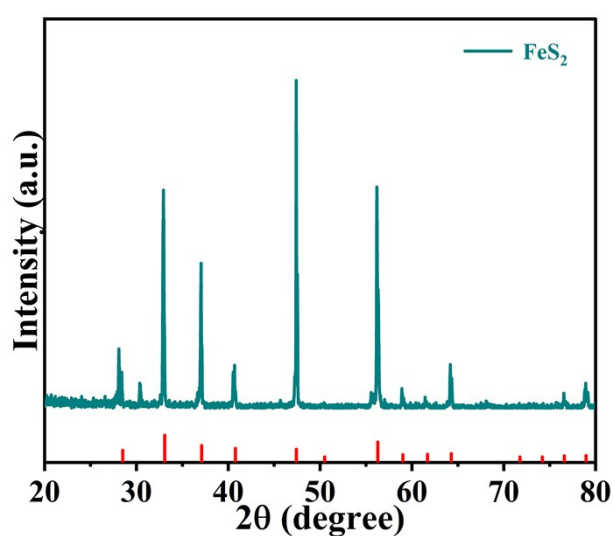


Fig. S1 XRD spectrum of FeS_2

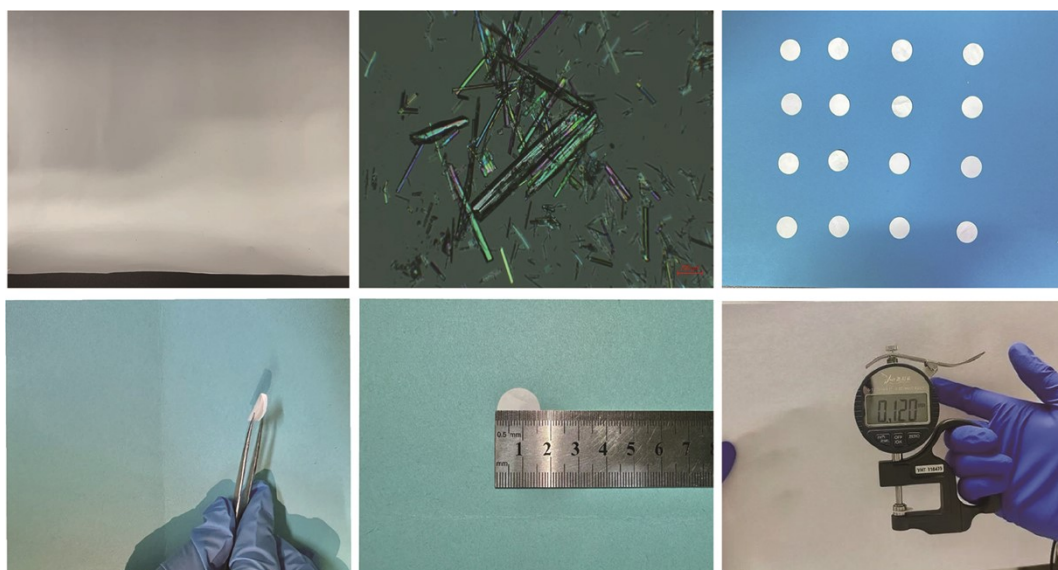


Fig. S2 The optical image of La-MOF-PAN composite solid-state electrolyte

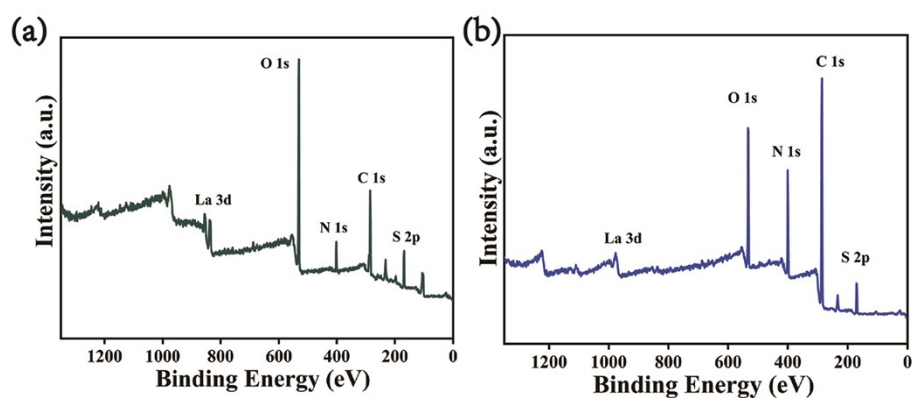


Fig. S3 XPS spectra of La-MOF and La-MOF-PAN

Single crystal X-ray diffraction

The diffraction data were collected at room temperature on a Bruker SMART APEX III 4K CCD diffractometer and Mo $K\alpha$ radiation ($\lambda=0.71073 \text{ \AA}$). The data was integrated by APEX III, and the multi-scan method was used for the absorption corrections. The crystal structures of the four compounds were determined by the direct methods and refined by full-matrix least-squares fitting on F^2 using the

SHELXS crystallographic software package on the Olex2 program.^{1, 2} All atoms except H were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. The structure was checked by PLATON, and no higher symmetry was found.³ The crystallographic data and structure refinement are tabulated in Table S1.

Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinement for La(COOH)₃

| | |
|--|---|
| Empirical formula | La(COOH) ₃ |
| Formula weight | 273.96 |
| Temperature | 298 K |
| Wavelength | 0.71073 Å |
| Crystal system, space group | Trigonal, <i>R</i> 3 |
| Unit cell dimensions | $a = 10.7286(6)$ Å $\alpha = 90^\circ$ $b = 10.7286(6)$ Å $\beta = 90^\circ$ $c = 4.1382(4)$ Å $\gamma = 120^\circ$ |
| Volume | 412.50(6) Å ³ |
| <i>Z</i> | 3 |
| Calculated density | 3.309 Mg·m ⁻³ |
| Absorption coefficient | 7.732 mm ⁻¹ |
| <i>F</i> (000) | 378 |
| Crystal size | 0.1 × 0.09 × 0.03 mm ³ |
| Theta range for data collection | 3.80 to 30.60 ° |
| Limiting indices | -15 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 15, -15 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 15, -5 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 5 |
| Reflections collected / unique | 10574 / 564 [<i>R</i> _{int} = 0.0439] |
| Data / restraints / parameters | 564 / 1 / 31 |
| Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ² | 1.164 |
| Final <i>R</i> indices [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)] ^[a] | <i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0079, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.0191 |
| <i>R</i> indices (all data) ^[a] | <i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0079, <i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.0191 |
| Largest diff. peak and hole | 0.2 and -0.56 Å ⁻³ |
| Flack parameter | 0.013(12) |

^[a]*R*₁ = Σ||*F*_o| - |*F*_c||/Σ|*F*_o| and *wR*₂ = [Σ*w*(*F*_o² - *F*_c²)² / Σ*w F*_o⁴]^{1/2} for *F*_o² > 2σ(*F*_o²)

Table S2 Analysis Table of Specific Surface Area and Pore Structure Parameters for

La-MOF Materials

| Sample | S_{BET} | S_{mic} | S_{mes} | $S_{\text{mes}}/S_{\text{BET}}$ | V_{total} | V_{mic} | V_{mes} |
|--------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | (m^2g^{-1}) | (m^2g^{-1}) | (m^2g^{-1}) | (%) | (cm^3g^{-1}) | (cm^3g^{-1}) | (cm^3g^{-1}) |
| La-MOF | 2.418 | 0.127 | 2.291 | 0.948 | 0.01 | 5.9×10^{-5} | 0.01 |

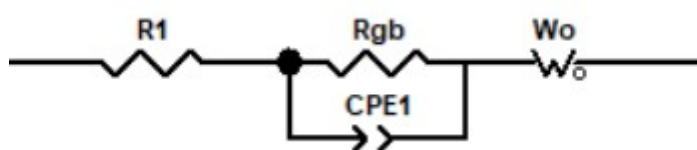


Fig. S4 Equivalent circuit diagram of La-MOF-PAN composite solid-state.

Table S3 Ion conductivity of La-MOF-PAN at 25–80 °C

| T(°C) | d(cm) | R_g | R_{gb} | R | $\sigma(R_g)(\text{S cm}^{-1})$ | $\sigma(R_{gb})(\text{S cm}^{-1})$ | $\sigma(R)(\text{S cm}^{-1})$ |
|-------|-------|-------|----------|-------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 25 | 0.012 | 58.3 | 105.8 | 164.1 | 1.02×10^{-4} | 5.64×10^{-5} | 3.63×10^{-5} |
| 30 | 0.012 | 43.5 | 95.5 | 139.0 | 1.37×10^{-4} | 6.25×10^{-5} | 4.29×10^{-5} |
| 40 | 0.012 | 34.5 | 88.4 | 122.9 | 1.73×10^{-4} | 6.75×10^{-5} | 4.85×10^{-5} |
| 50 | 0.012 | 27.6 | 43.6 | 71.2 | 2.16×10^{-4} | 1.36×10^{-4} | 8.38×10^{-5} |
| 60 | 0.012 | 11.8 | 9.9 | 21.7 | 5.06×10^{-4} | 6.03×10^{-4} | 2.75×10^{-4} |
| 70 | 0.012 | 8.7 | 8.2 | 16.9 | 6.86×10^{-4} | 7.28×10^{-4} | 3.53×10^{-4} |
| 80 | 0.012 | 5.4 | 6.3 | 11.7 | 1.10×10^{-3} | 9.48×10^{-4} | 5.10×10^{-4} |

$R = R_g + R_{gb}$, R_g is intra-grain and R_{gb} inter-grain.

we add the ionic conductivity data for the pure PAN electrolyte. The test data, as shown in the Fig. S4 and Table S4, reveal that at 60 °C, the conductivity of La-MOF-PAN ($2.75 \times 10^{-4} \text{ S cm}^{-1}$) is an order of magnitude higher than that of pure PAN

($\sim 5.12 \times 10^{-5} \text{ S cm}^{-1}$). This addition will provide direct evidence supporting the conclusion that La-MOF significantly enhances ionic conductivity. The introduction of La-MOF substantially improves the intrinsic ionic conductivity of the electrolyte, and the system maintains good thermal stability.

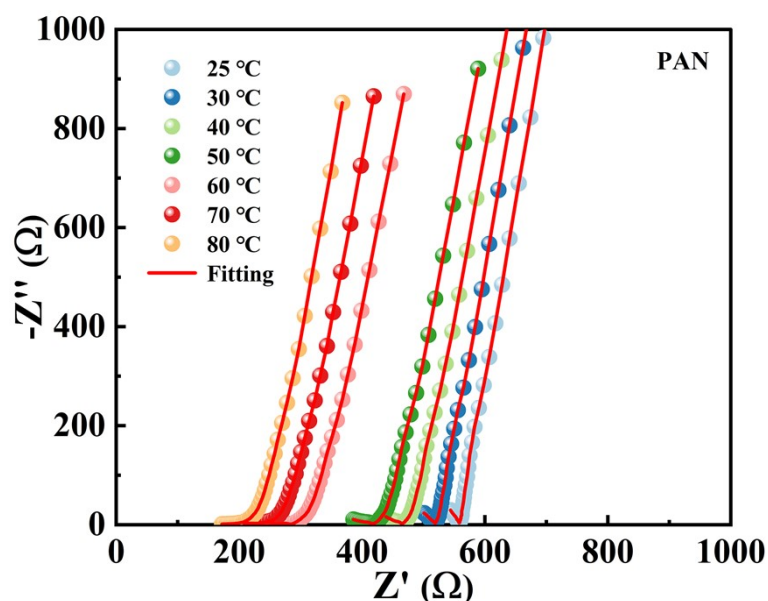


Fig. S5 AC impedance plots of PAN solid electrolyte at 30-80 °C.

Table S4 Ionic conductivity of PAN at 25-80 °C

| T(°C) | d(cm) | R _g | R _{gb} | R | σ (R _g)(S cm ⁻¹) | σ (R _{gb})(S cm ⁻¹) | σ (R)(S cm ⁻¹) |
|-------|-------|----------------|-----------------|-----|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| 25 | 0.039 | 362 | 198 | 560 | 5.36×10^{-5} | 9.80×10^{-5} | 3.46×10^{-5} |
| 30 | 0.039 | 327 | 193 | 520 | 5.93×10^{-5} | 1.01×10^{-4} | 3.73×10^{-5} |
| 40 | 0.039 | 300 | 165 | 467 | 6.47×10^{-5} | 1.18×10^{-4} | 4.15×10^{-5} |
| 50 | 0.039 | 276 | 148 | 424 | 7.03×10^{-4} | 1.31×10^{-4} | 4.58×10^{-5} |
| 60 | 0.039 | 182 | 115 | 297 | 1.07×10^{-4} | 1.69×10^{-4} | 6.53×10^{-5} |
| 70 | 0.039 | 165 | 87 | 252 | 1.18×10^{-4} | 2.23×10^{-4} | 7.69×10^{-5} |
| 80 | 0.039 | 147 | 72 | 219 | 1.32×10^{-4} | 2.69×10^{-4} | 8.86×10^{-5} |

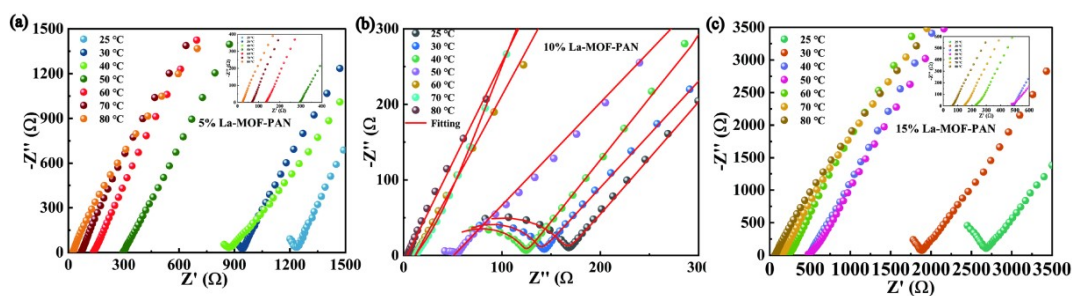


Fig. S6 Ionic conductivity of La-MOF-PAN composite solid-state electrolyte(a) 5 wt%, (b) 10 wt%, (c) 15 wt%.

Ionic conductivity is a critical parameter for evaluating solid-state electrolytes. The ionic conductivity of the composites with varying La-MOF content was investigated from 25 °C to 80 °C using electrochemical impedance spectroscopy (EIS), as shown in Fig. 2(a-c). The ionic conductivity was calculated using the formula $\sigma = d/(R_b \times S)$. At 25 °C, the ionic conductivities for 5 wt%, 10 wt%, and 15 wt% La-MOF-PAN composites are 7.22×10^{-6} , 3.63×10^{-5} , and 2.97×10^{-6} S cm⁻¹, respectively. When the temperature increases to 60 °C, the corresponding values become 6.35×10^{-5} , 2.75×10^{-4} , and 3.06×10^{-5} S cm⁻¹.

The results indicate that when the La-MOF content increases from 5 wt% to 10 wt%, the ionic conductivity improves significantly. In contrast, a further increase to 15 wt% leads to a notable decrease in conductivity. This trend suggests that an insufficient amount of La-MOF (5 wt%) fails to establish a continuous and efficient network for ions transport within the PAN matrix, resulting in high bulk and grain boundary resistance. At the optimal content of 10 wt%, the dispersion of La-MOF and the formation of interconnected ion-conducting pathways reach the best balance. This facilitates smoother ion migration through the bulk material, leading to the highest overall ionic conductivity. However, an excessive amount of La-MOF (15 wt%) may cause particle agglomeration, which disrupts the homogeneous microstructure, hinders polymer chain segmental motion, and reduces ion mobility. These factors collectively increase the total resistance, thereby lowering the ionic conductivity.

5 wt% La-MOF:

Table S5 Ion conductivity of 5% La-MOF-PAN at 25-80 °C

| T(°C) | 25 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| d (cm) | 0.018 | 0.018 | 0.018 | 0.018 | 0.018 | 0.018 | 0.018 |
| R | 1240 | 947 | 874 | 303 | 141 | 75 | 28 |
| σ (S cm ⁻¹) | 7.22×10^{-6} | 9.46×10^{-6} | 1.02×10^{-5} | 2.96×10^{-5} | 6.35×10^{-5} | 1.19×10^{-4} | 3.20×10^{-4} |

$$\delta = d/RS, S = 2.01 \text{ cm}^2$$

10 wt% La-MOF:

Table S6 Ion conductivity of 10% La-MOF-PAN at 25-80 °C

| T(°C) | 25 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| d (cm) | 0.014 | 0.014 | 0.014 | 0.014 | 0.014 | 0.014 | 0.014 |
| R | 164 | 139 | 123 | 71 | 22 | 17 | 12 |
| σ (S cm ⁻¹) | 4.25×10^{-5} | 5.01×10^{-5} | 5.66×10^{-5} | 9.81×10^{-5} | 3.17×10^{-4} | 4.09×10^{-4} | 5.80×10^{-4} |

$$\delta = d/RS, S = 2.01 \text{ cm}^2$$

15 wt% La-MOF:

Table S7 Ion conductivity of 15% La-MOF-PAN at 25-80 °C

| T(°C) | 25 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| d (cm) | 0.012 | 0.012 | 0.012 | 0.012 | 0.012 | 0.012 | 0.012 |
| R | 2680 | 1890 | 494 | 482 | 229 | 147 | 64 |
| σ (S cm ⁻¹) | 2.23×10^{-6} | 3.16×10^{-6} | 1.21×10^{-5} | 1.24×10^{-5} | 2.61×10^{-5} | 4.06×10^{-5} | 9.33×10^{-5} |

$$\delta = d/RS, S = 2.01 \text{ cm}^2$$

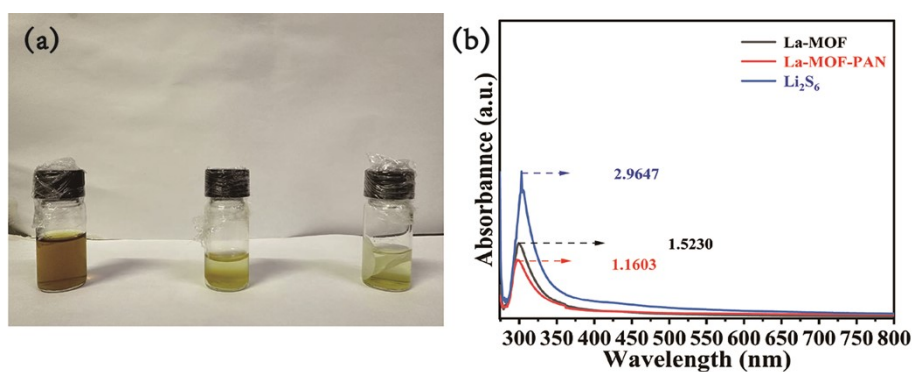


Fig.S7 Optical photographs and UV-vis absorption spectra of polysulfide adsorption

experiments for pristine Li_2S_6 solution, La-MOF material, and La-MOF-PAN

To investigate the adsorption capacity of La-MOF toward Li_2S_6 , polysulfide adsorption experiments were designed (Figure S8). In an Ar-filled glove box, 20 mg of La-MOF and La-MOF-PAN were separately added to sealed vials containing 5 mmol of Li_2S_6 solution and left to stand for 12 hours. The figure clearly shows that compared to the Li_2S_6 solution without any adsorbent, the supernatant with C/S/HES⁻¹ turned from yellow to nearly clear and transparent. The supernatants with La-MOF and La-MOF-PAN exhibited significant decoloration, attributed to the strong adsorption capacity of La-MOF toward polysulfides. Similarly, UV spectroscopy analysis of the supernatants revealed absorption peak intensities at 312 nm of 2.9647 for Li_2S_6 , 1.5230 for La-MOF, and 1.1603 for La-MOF-PAN. The absorption peak intensity at 312 nm was significantly reduced in Li_2S_6 with La-MOF-PAN added, followed by La-MOF. These results indicate that the La-MOF-PAN composite solid electrolyte exhibits strong adsorption capacity for polysulfides.

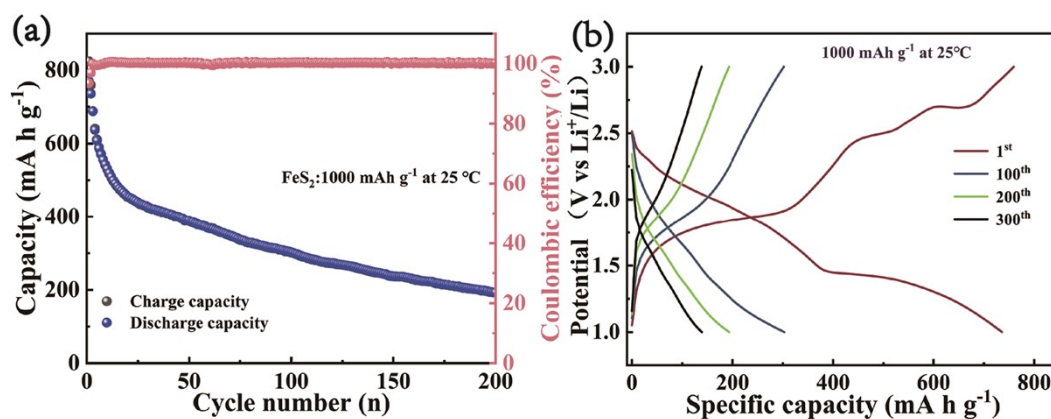


Fig. S8 Electrochemical performance of Li|La-MOF-PAN|FeS₂ and Li|PAN|FeS₂ in LIBs cycling at 1000 mA g⁻¹.

Table S8 Literature review of CPEs and the corresponding electrochemical performance in batteries.

| Electrolyte | Composites cathode | Ionic conductivity(S cm ⁻¹) | Electrochemical performance of the battery | Refs |
|--|--|--|--|------|
| Li ₇ P ₃ S ₁₁ | FeS ₂ @C/rGO@10%Li ₇ P ₃ S ₁₁ and SuperP | / | 350.3mAhg ⁻¹ at 0.5C | [5] |
| Li ₆ PS ₅ Cl | Integrated 3D FeS ₂ | 2.6×10 ⁻³ S cm ⁻¹ | 667 mAh g ⁻¹ at 1C | [6] |
| Li ₇ P ₃ S ₁₁ | FeS ₂ @Li ₇ P ₃ S ₁₁ @CNT | 1.27×10 ⁻³ S cm ⁻¹ at RT | capacity of 284.8 mAh g ⁻¹ at 0.1C with | [7] |

| | | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|---|------|
| | | | | 52.4% capacity retention after 80 cycles | |
| Li ₆ PS ₅ Cl | FeS ₂ ,Li ₆ PS ₅ Cl,carbonblack | 2.7×10 ⁻³ S cm ⁻¹ | S | The initial discharge capacity of 760 mAh g ⁻¹ | [8] |
| Li _{5.5} PS _{4.5} Cl _{1.5} | FeS ₂ @MWCNT, SuperP | 5.38×10 ⁻³ S cm ⁻¹ | S | Capacity of 418.9 mAh g ⁻¹ at 50 mA g ⁻¹ after 200 cycles | [9] |
| Li _{6.8} Si _{0.8} As _{0.2} S ₅ | FeS ₂ , Li _{6.8} Si _{0.8} As _{0.2} S ₅ I | 1.04×10 ⁻² S cm ⁻¹ at 30°C | S | The initial capacity of 835.2 mAh g ⁻¹ at 0.1C | [10] |
| I | | | | | |
| Li ₆ PS ₅ Cl-wt% PTFE | FeS ₂ @C/rGO,Li ₆ PS ₅ Cl | 2.2 × 10 ⁻³ S cm ⁻¹ | S | Capacity of 370.7 mAh g ⁻¹ | [11] |

| | | | | |
|------------|------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------|
| | | | at 0.3C after | |
| | | | 200 cycles | |
| La-MOF-PAN | FeS ₂ | 2.75×10^{-4} S | The initial | This |
| | | cm ⁻¹ at 60 °C | discharge | wor |
| | | | specific | k |
| | | | capacity of the | |
| | | | cell was 828 | |
| | | | mAh g ⁻¹ at 500 | |
| | | | mAh g ⁻¹ and | |
| | | | 686 mAh g ⁻¹ | |
| | | | after 400 | |
| | | | cycles | |

we assembled quasi-solid-state Li|La-MOF-PAN|FeS₂ coin cells with active material loadings of 0.98, 1.52, and 1.98 mg cm⁻², respectively. Their cycling performance was evaluated at the same current density of 500 mA g⁻¹, and the results are presented in the Fig. S9.

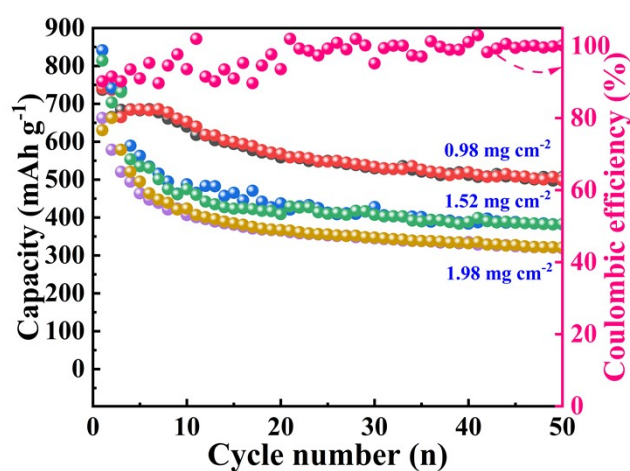


Fig. S9 Quasi-solid-state Li|La-MOF-PAN|FeS₂ batteries with varied active material loadings

As the FeS₂ loading increased from 0.98 mg cm⁻² to 1.98 mg cm⁻², the initial discharge capacity showed a decreasing trend (~748 mAh g⁻¹ at 0.98 mg cm⁻² vs. ~661 mAh g⁻¹ at 1.98 mg cm⁻²). This is primarily attributed to the increased electrode thickness at higher loadings, which elongates the ion/electron transport pathways and enhances polarization, thereby reducing the utilization of the active material. Despite this, all high-loading cells demonstrated good cycling stability with slow capacity fading over 50 cycles. Even at the highest loading of 1.98 mg cm⁻², the cell maintained stable cycling performance with a high capacity retention rate after 50 cycles. This indicates that the quasi-solid-state electrolyte system effectively suppresses side reactions and the shuttle effect. The advantage stems from the La-MOF-PAN quasi-solid composite electrolyte: its three-dimensional structure facilitates uniform lithium-ion transport while mitigating the volume change of the high-loading electrode and interfacial side reactions.

Although the theoretical capacity of FeS₂ is 894 mAh g⁻¹, the lower practical

capacities observed in high-loading coin cells are common in such systems, mainly due to the limited ion diffusion kinetics in thick electrodes, which prevents part of the active material from being fully utilized.

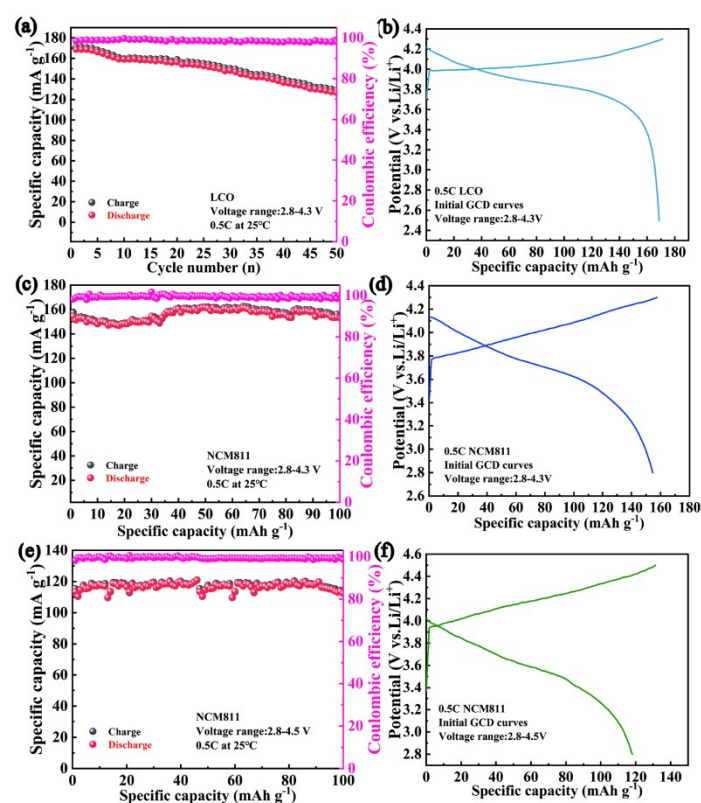


Fig. S10 (a) Li|La-MOF-PAN|LCO cyclic performance at a voltage window of 2.8-4.3 V and a rate of 0.5 C, (b) initial charge-discharge curve, (c) Li|La-MOF-PAN|NCM811 cycling performance at conventional voltages of 2.8-4.3 V and a 0.5 C charge rate, (d) initial charge-discharge curve, (e) Li|La-MOF-PAN|NCM811 cycling performance at high voltage (2.8-4.5 V) and 0.5 C rate, (f) initial charge-discharge curve.

The linear sweep voltammetry (LSV) result confirms the stability of the material within a voltage window of 5.06 V, indicating that the synthesized composite electrolyte is potentially suitable for high-voltage cathode materials. Accordingly, we

assembled half-cells with commercial high-voltage cathodes (LCO and NCM811).

Fig. S10 (a) presents the cycling performance of the Li|La-MOF-PAN|LCO cell within a voltage window of 2.8-4.3 V at a rate of 0.5 C. The LCO cathode delivered an initial discharge specific capacity of approximately 170 mA h g⁻¹. A high capacity retention was maintained after 100 cycles, demonstrating stable cycling characteristics. The coulombic efficiency consistently remained close to 100%, indicating high reversibility and minimal side reactions during the charge/discharge processes. Fig. S10 (b) displays the first-cycle charge/discharge profiles of Li|La-MOF-PAN|LCO (2.8-4.3 V, 0.5 C). The smooth curves exhibit the typical LCO plateau features. Following charging to 4.3 V, a stable discharge plateau is observed, accompanied by a high initial coulombic efficiency, further evidencing stable electrolyte|LCO interfaces at moderately high voltages.

Fig. S10 (c) shows the cycling performance of Li|La-MOF-PAN|NCM811 in a conventional voltage range (2.8-4.3 V) at 0.5 C. The NCM811 cathode achieved an initial discharge capacity near 190 mAh g⁻¹, which is higher than that of LCO under identical conditions, reflecting its intrinsic advantage of high specific capacity. Excellent capacity retention was observed after 100 cycles. Fig. S10 (d) depicts the corresponding first-cycle charge/discharge profiles for NCM811 (2.8-4.3 V, 0.5 C), showing the distinct high and low voltage plateaus characteristic of NCM811 with normal shape and no abnormal polarization.

Fig. S10 (e) presents the cycling performance of Li|La-MOF-PAN|NCM811 at a high cut-off voltage (2.8-4.5 V, 0.5 C). The initial discharge capacity of NCM811

significantly increased to approximately 212 mA h g⁻¹. Although capacity fade occurred over 200 cycles, the capacity was maintained at a relatively high level. Fig. S10 (f) shows the corresponding first-cycle charge/discharge profiles at 2.8-4.5 V and 0.5 C. Even within the high-voltage region up to 4.5 V, the charge/discharge profiles remained well-formed.

In all tests, the coulombic efficiency rapidly reached and remained at nearly 100%. This suggests that the composite solid electrolyte forms relatively stable, low-impedance solid-solid interfaces with both cathode materials, enabling efficient Li⁺ transport and effectively suppressing persistent interfacial side reactions.

In summary, this set of figures provides strong evidence that: 1) The La-MOF-PAN composite solid electrolyte possesses the key characteristics required for application with high-voltage cathode materials (wide electrochemical window, good interfacial stability). 2) This electrolyte exhibits good compatibility with commercial high-voltage cathodes (LCO and NCM811), supporting the realization of their high specific capacities and stable cycling performance.

We assembled a quasi-solid-state Li|La-MOF-PAN|FeS₂ cell, which was left to stand for 12 h before conducting charge-discharge tests within a voltage range of 1-3 V at a current density of 200 mA h g⁻¹. The XPS measurements were performed on the cell at the OCV state, after discharging to 1 V, and after charging to 3 V. The following analysis based on these data will provide an in-depth examination to demonstrate that the interfacial side products have been adequately characterized and

the stability of the FeS₂ cathode has been verified.

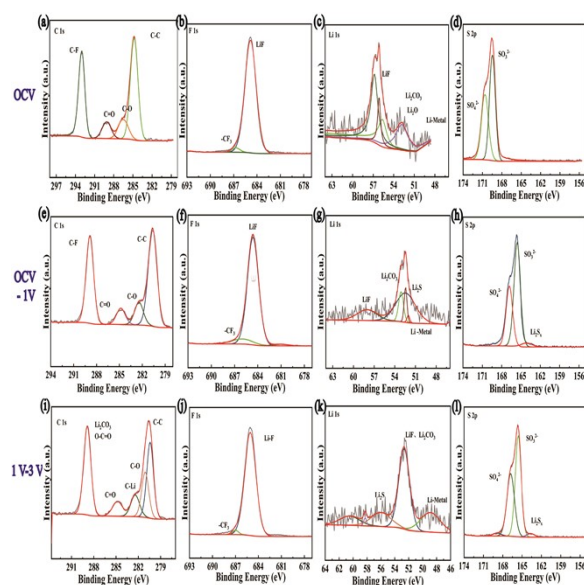


Fig. S11 XPS data of the lithium metal anode (a) C 1s, (b) F 1s, (c) Li 1s, (d) S 2p at OCV; (e) C 1s, (f) F 1s, (g) Li 1s, (h) S 2p upon discharging from OCV to 1 V; (i) C 1s, (j) F 1s, (k) Li 1s, (l) S 2p upon charging from 1 V to 3 V.

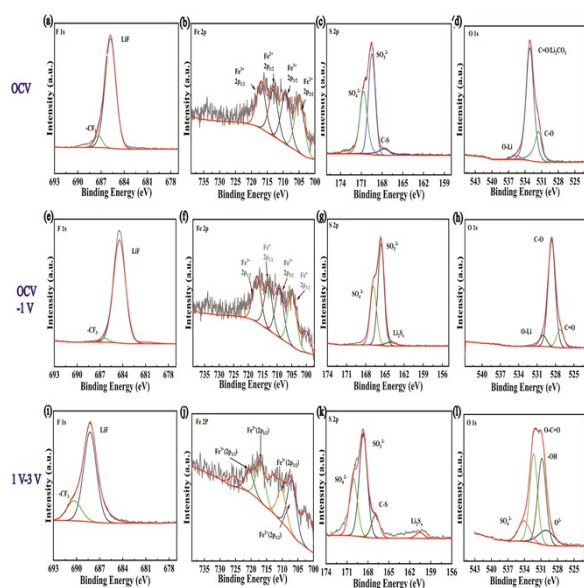


Fig. S12 XPS data of the FeS₂ cathode (a) F 1s, (b) Fe 2p, (c) S 2p, (d) O 1s at OCV; (e) F 1s, (f) Fe 2p, (g) S 2p, (h) O 1s upon discharging from OCV to 1 V; (i) F 1s, (j) Fe 2p, (k) S 2p, (l) O 1s upon charging from 1 V to 3 V.

The XPS data of the lithium metal anode (Fig. S11) clearly reveal the dynamic

formation and chemical evolution of the solid electrolyte interphase (SEI) on its surface during cycling. In the open-circuit voltage (OCV) state after cell assembly (Fig. S11(a-d)), an initial SEI has already formed on the lithium anode surface. The C 1s spectrum shows peaks for C-C, C=O, and C-O species originating from the reduction of the DME/DOL solvent. The F 1s spectrum exhibits a pronounced LiF peak (~685 eV) and a -CF₂ peak attributed to the reductive decomposition of the LiTFSI salt (cleavage of -CF₃ groups). The Li 1s spectrum confirms the coexistence of inorganic compounds such as LiF, Li₂CO₃, and Li₂O. The S 2p spectrum already shows signals from sulfur-containing species like SO₃²⁻/SO₄²⁻, indicating that sulfur species derived from FeS₂ (possibly via slight dissolution or chemical interaction) have diffused to the anode and been partially oxidized even at OCV.

Upon discharging to 1.0 V (Fig. S11(e-h)), which corresponds to the deep reduction of FeS₂ to Fe and Li₂S, the S 2p spectrum displays intense characteristic doublets for Li₂S and polysulfides (Li₂S₂) in the ~161-163 eV region, along with SO_x peaks at ~168-169 eV. This provides the most direct evidence of polysulfide (LiPS) shuttle effect, the soluble LiPSs generated from FeS₂ reduction migrate to the anode and are reduced to solid Li₂S deposits. Meanwhile, the LiF signals in the F 1s and Li 1s spectra increase significantly, indicating continued decomposition of LiTFSI during discharge, which reinforces the inorganic SEI framework dominated by LiF. The appearance of the C-F peak in the C 1s spectrum further confirms the formation of fluorine-containing organics. These data collectively demonstrate that the discharge process not only intensifies electrolyte decomposition (producing LiF) but also

introduces the critical side-product Li_2S resulting from the shuttle effect.

When charged to 3.0 V (Fig. S11(i-l)), the Li 1s spectrum shows a marked decrease in the intensity of the peak representing Li_2S_2 (~55 eV), indicating that part of the deposited Li_2S_2 is oxidized and migrates back to the cathode. In contrast, the peaks for LiF (~55.8 eV) and Li_2CO_3 (~55.0 eV) remain strong and stable, suggesting that the inorganic SEI components formed from electrolyte decomposition exhibit dynamic stability during cycling, which is crucial for protecting the lithium metal anode.

Fig. S12 presents the XPS data of the FeS_2 cathode, which provides strong support for analyzing the bulk reaction reversibility and interfacial side reactions. At the open-circuit potential (OCV, Fig. S12(a-d)), the S 2p spectrum is dominated by signals from surface oxidation products (sulfate/sulfite species at higher binding energies), while the characteristic peaks of the intrinsic $[\text{S}_2]^{2-}$ dimers (~162.5 eV) are obscured. The Fe 2p spectrum shows Fe^{2+} signatures, though the signal may also be influenced by surface oxidation. The presence of C=O, SO_x , and weak LiF peaks confirms the existence of a native surface layer resulting from adsorption and slight oxidation.

Upon discharging to 1.0 V (Fig. S12(e-h)), the intensity of the original FeS_2 (S_2^{2-}) peaks in the S 2p spectrum decreases substantially. Dominant peaks now appear at ~160.5/161.7 eV corresponding to Li_2S and at ~162/163 eV corresponding to polysulfides (Li_2S_x). Simultaneously, the SO_4^{2-} peak at ~168 eV is significantly enhanced. In the Fe 2p spectrum, a characteristic peak of metallic Fe^0 emerges around

~706.5 eV. These changes confirm the reaction mechanism of the Li/FeS₂ battery during discharge: FeS₂ → Li₂S + Fe. The enhancement of the SO₄²⁻ signal indicates the occurrence of irreversible oxidation of sulfur species by the electrolyte as a side reaction during discharge.

When charged to 3.0 V (Fig. S12(i-l)), the data at this state are key to verifying cathode reversibility and interfacial stability. In the S 2p spectrum, the intensities of the Li₂S and polysulfide peaks are significantly reduced compared to the discharged state, while the characteristic FeS₂ (S₂²⁻) peaks are notably recovered. In the Fe 2p spectrum, the Fe⁰ peak weakens or even disappears, whereas the Fe²⁺ peak (corresponding to FeS₂) strengthens. This directly and strongly proves the reversible reaction: Li₂S + Fe → FeS₂. The regeneration capability of the FeS₂ host structure is the cornerstone of its intrinsic electrochemical stability. Concurrently, the SO₄²⁻ peak in the S 2p spectrum persists, and the O 1s spectrum shows pronounced peaks for O=C=O (carbonate), -OH, and SO₄²⁻. This reveals ongoing side reactions at the cathode/electrolyte interface during high-voltage charging, including oxidation of the electrolyte solvent and deep oxidation of active sulfur to form irreversible sulfates. These side products constitute the cathode electrolyte interphase (CEI), which is responsible for irreversible active-material loss and increased impedance.

XPS data confirm two key findings regarding the battery's interfacial evolution. On the lithium anode, the SEI composition dynamically evolves, LiF primarily originates from continuous LiTFSI decomposition, while the appearance and subsequent weakening of Li₂S signals directly prove the shuttle, reduction, and partial

re-oxidation of polysulfides from the FeS₂ cathode. For the FeS₂ cathode, the data conclusively demonstrate the excellent bulk reversibility of the FeS₂ ↔ Fe + Li₂S conversion reaction. However, persistent sulfate and carbonate signals reveal irreversible interfacial side reactions during high-voltage charging, forming a cathode electrolyte interphase (CEI) that contributes to capacity fade.

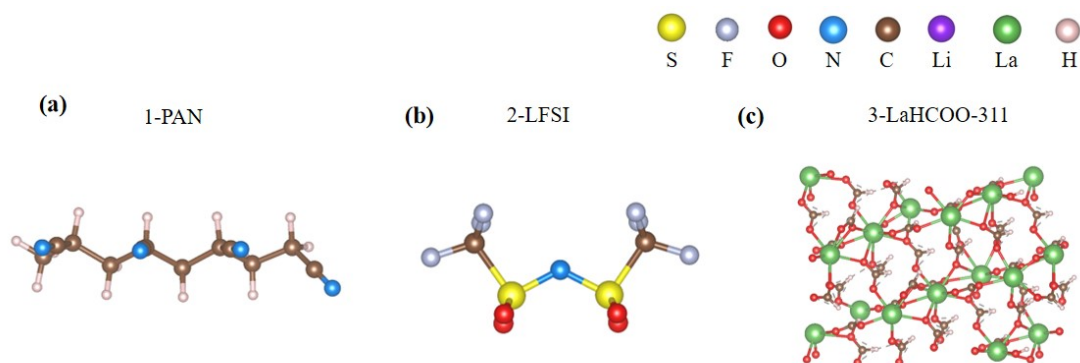


Fig. S13 Structural diagrams of three substances: (a) PAN, (b) LFSI, (c) LaHCOO⁻

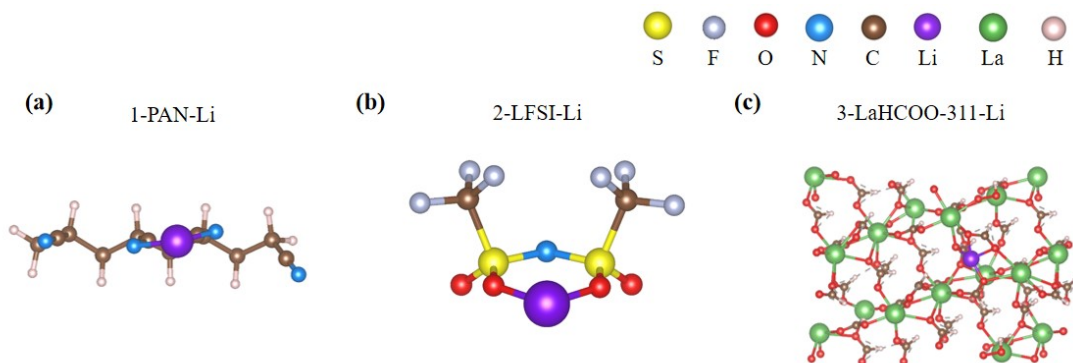


Fig.S14 Structural diagrams of three substances after stable binding with lithium salts:

(a) PAN-Li, (b) LFSI-Li, (c) LaHCOO₃-Li

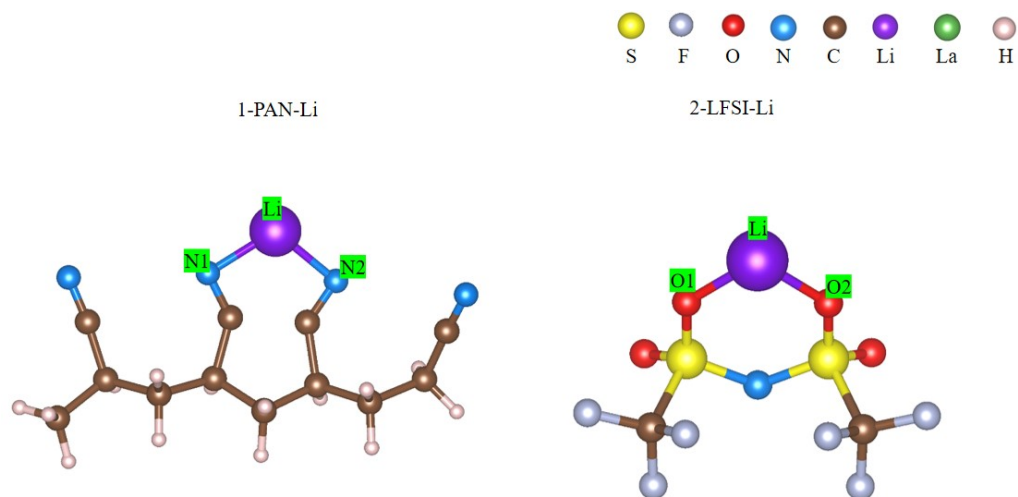


Fig. S15 Structural diagram of PAN interacting stably with lithium salt at nitrogen sites Structural diagram of LFSI interacting with lithium at oxygen sites.

Table S9 Comparison of adsorption Energies for Solid Electrolytes and System

| configuration | Energy Calculations | | | |
|-----------------|---------------------|--------------|-----------|------------|
| | Total | Ground state | Molecular | Adsorption |
| | Energy/eV | energy/eV | Energy/eV | energy/eV |
| 1-PAN-Li | -192.124 | -190.302 | -1.986 | 0.163 |
| 2-LFSI-Li | -87.575 | -81.406 | -1.986 | -4.183 |
| 3-LaHCOO-311-Li | -891.612 | -884.128 | -1.986 | -5.498 |

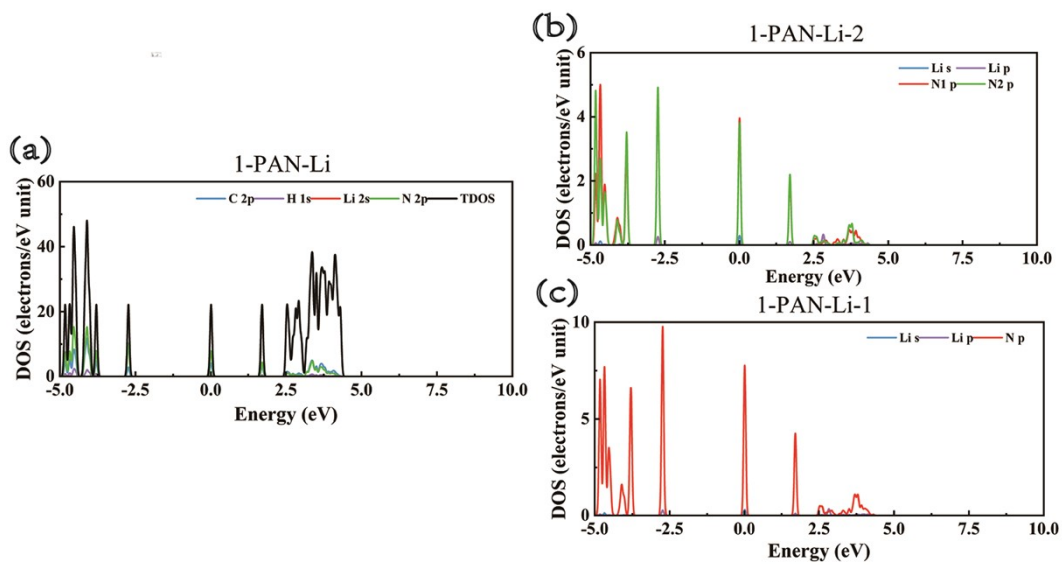


Fig. S16 DOS and PDOS of PAN and Lithium Salts

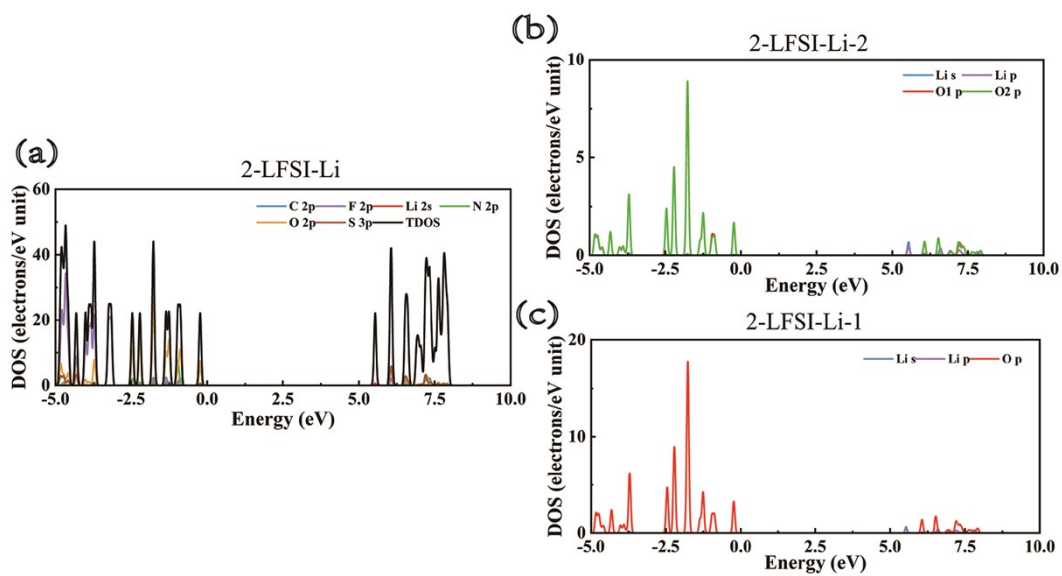


Fig. S17 LFSI and Lithium DOS and PDOS

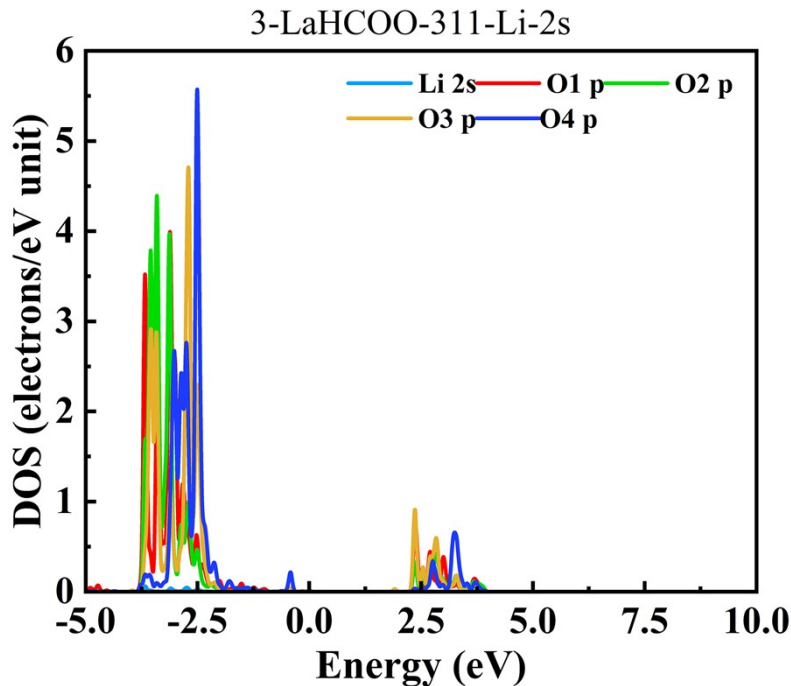


Fig. S18 presents the partial density of states (PDOS) of 3-LaHCOO-311-Li-2s, focusing on the electronic states of Li-2s, and Op (different O orbitals)

The Li-related orbitals (blue) exhibit a pronounced peak below the Fermi level, indicating partial charge transfer of Li^+ -consistent with the charge depletion observed in **Fig. S18** and the formation of weak ionic bonds. The O-related orbitals (red) display distinct peaks in the low-energy region (< -2.5 eV), corresponding to the electronic states that arise when O atoms from TFSI $^-$ form O-H covalent bonds with H atoms from the MOF. These bonding states further refine the understanding of the Li^+ -MOF and TFSI $^-$ -MOF interactions, revealing the equilibrium mechanism in which Li^+ is dissociated but not completely free, while TFSI $^-$ is anchored yet does not hinder ionic conduction.

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