

Defect and dopant properties of the α - and β -polymorphs of the Li_3FeF_6 lithium battery material

Supporting information

Table S1. Calculated and Experimental Mean Bond Distances for Monoclinic and Orthorhombic Li_3FeF_6 .

a) Monoclinic (C2/c)

Parameter	<i>Calc</i>	<i>Expt</i>	Δ (Å)
Fe1-F4	2.067	1.944	0.123
Fe1-F6	2.055	1.894	0.160
Fe1-F8	2.081	1.927	0.154
Fe2-F1	2.049	1.952	0.098
Fe2-F2	2.057	1.895	0.161
Fe2-F3	2.058	1.929	0.128
Fe2-F5	2.052	1.921	0.131
Fe2-F7	2.088	1.954	0.134
Fe2-F9	2.079	1.967	0.112
Li1-Fe1	2.892	2.964	-0.072
Li1-F1	2.012	1.971	0.041
Li1-F6	1.946	2.062	-0.116
Li1-F8	1.975	2.009	-0.034
Li2-F1	1.861	1.984	-0.123
Li2-F2	1.859	1.849	0.009
Li2-F4	1.910	1.929	-0.018
Li2-F5	2.274	2.553	-0.279
Li2-F6	2.939	2.963	-0.024
Li2-F7	2.267	2.419	-0.151

b) Orthorhombic Pna2₁

Parameter	<i>Calc</i>	<i>Expt</i>	Δ (Å)
Fe1-F1	2.081	2.022	0.059
Fe1-F2	2.065	1.992	0.073
Fe1-F3	2.063	1.919	0.144
Fe1-F4	2.058	1.806	0.252
Fe1-F5	2.058	2.046	0.012
Fe1-F6	2.096	1.865	0.231
Fe2-F5	2.052	1.921	0.131
Fe2-F7	2.088	1.954	0.134

Fe2-F9	2.079	1.967	0.112
Li1-Fe1	2.892	2.964	-0.072
Li1-F1	2.011	1.971	0.040

Table S2. Interatomic Potential Parameters for the monovalent and divalent dopants.

Interaction	A (eV)	ρ (Å)	C (eV Å ⁶)	Lattice energy (eV)
Na ⁺ - F ⁻	1497.45	0.2589	0.00	-11.13
K ⁺ - F ⁻	1701.31	0.2963	13.70	-9.72
Ni ²⁺ - F ⁻	907.90	0.2816	0.00	-29.95
Mg ²⁺ - F ⁻	841.30	0.2831	0.00	-30.12
Co ²⁺ - F ⁻	917.20	0.2856	0.00	-29.47
Mn ²⁺ - F ⁻	1000.70	0.2926	0.00	-28.34
Cd ²⁺ - F ⁻	1057.60	0.3059	10.00	-27.35
Ca ²⁺ - F ⁻	1.00	1534.3	0.29	-27.09
Sr ²⁺ - F ⁻	3400.00	0.2906	0.00	-24.47
Ba ²⁺ - F ⁻	1746.90	0.3237	16.70	-23.94

Table S3. Solution Energies of monovalent and divalent dopants on Li and Fe Sites as a function of ion size in monoclinic and orthorhombic Li₃FeF₆.

Dopant	Radii(Å)	Energy (eV)			
		Li site		Fe site	
		Monoclinic	Orthorhombic	Monoclinic	Orthorhombic
Na ⁺	1.02	-0.54	0.34	0.50	2.19
K ⁺	1.38	0.79	1.19	1.01	2.88
Ni ²⁺	0.69	0.55	1.32	-0.62	-0.21
Mg ²⁺	0.72	0.55	1.34	-0.78	-0.25
Co ²⁺	0.74	0.61	1.42	-0.53	-0.14
Mn ²⁺	0.83	0.54	1.53	-0.18	0.07
Cd ²⁺	0.95	0.95	1.72	-0.29	0.38
Ca ²⁺	1.00	1.09	1.93	-0.09	0.60
Sr ²⁺	1.2	2.08	3.00	0.72	1.69
Ba ²⁺	1.35	2.34	3.16	0.94	1.89