

Electronic supplementary information

Developing high voltage electrolyte based on *conjuncto*-hydroborate for solid-state sodium battery

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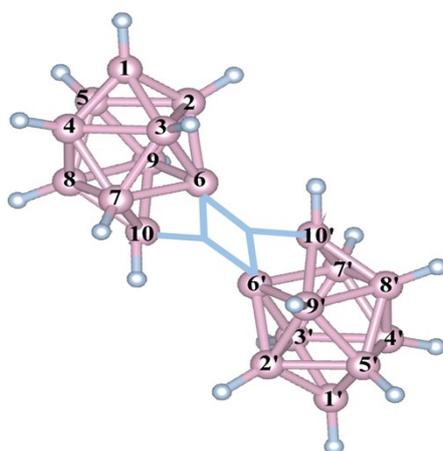


Table S1. ¹¹B nuclei chemical shifts (ppm) for [B₂₀H₁₈]²⁻

¹¹ B Nuclei	δ(¹¹ B) (ppm)
B (1) = B (1')	31.07
B (6) = B (6')	16.03
B (8) = B (8')	-6.75
B (7) = B (9) = B (7') = B (9')	-12.46
B (2) = B (3) = B (2') = B (3')	-15.81
B (4) = B (5) = B (4') = B (5')	-19.25
B (10) = B (10')	-25.49

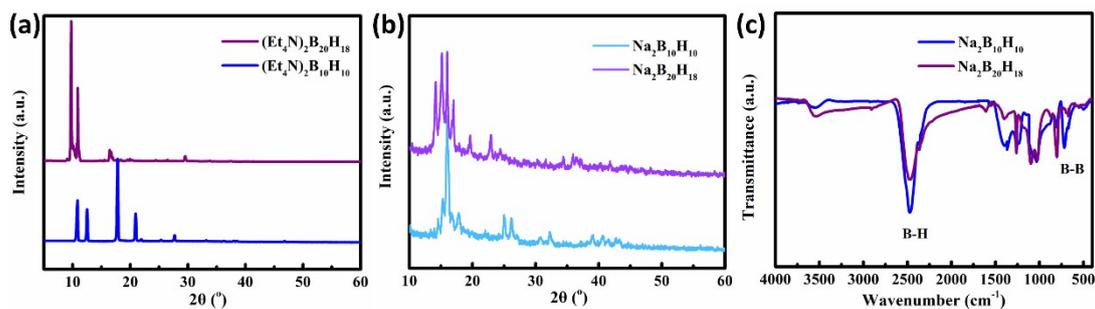


Fig. S1 XRD patterns of (a) $(\text{Et}_4\text{N})_2\text{B}_{20}\text{H}_{18}$ and $(\text{Et}_4\text{N})_2\text{B}_{10}\text{H}_{10}$. (b) anhydrous $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_{20}\text{H}_{18}$ and $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_{10}\text{H}_{10}$. (c) FTIR spectra of $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_{20}\text{H}_{18}$ and $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_{10}\text{H}_{10}$.

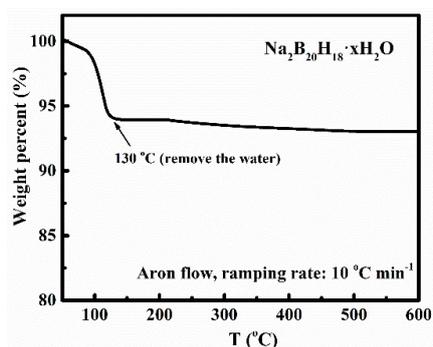


Fig. S2 TGA result of $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (Argon flow, $\Delta T/\Delta t=10\text{ }^\circ\text{C min}^{-1}$).

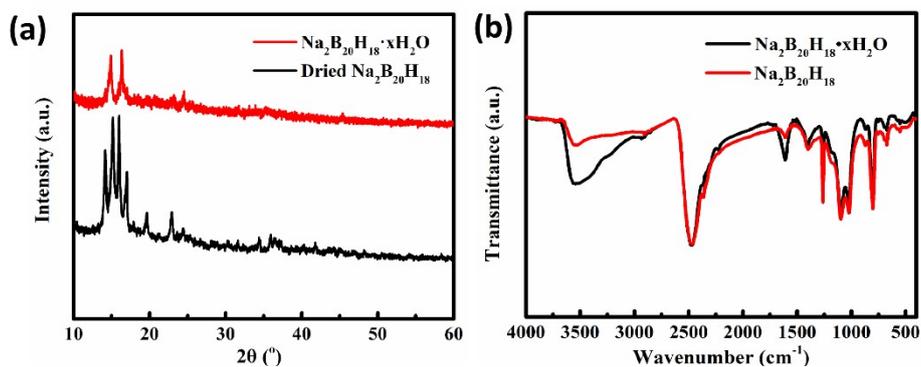


Fig. S3 (a) XRD patterns of dried $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_{20}\text{H}_{18}$ and $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$. (b) FTIR spectra of dried $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_{20}\text{H}_{18}$ and $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_{20}\text{H}_{18}\cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

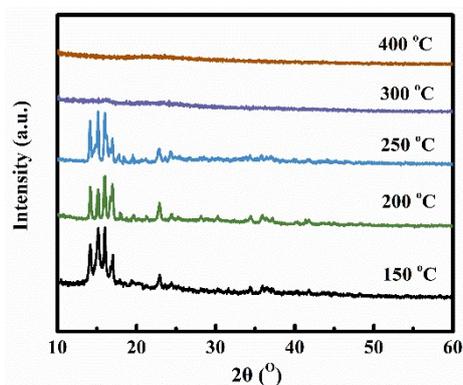


Fig. S4 *Ex-situ*-temperature-dependent XRD patterns of $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_{20}\text{H}_{18}$

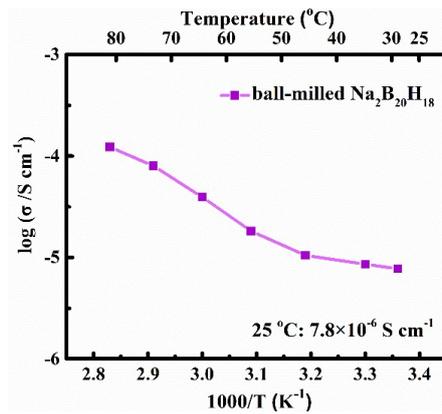


Fig. S5 Arrhenius plot ($\log(\sigma)$ vs $1/T$) of ball-milled $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_{20}\text{H}_{18}$.

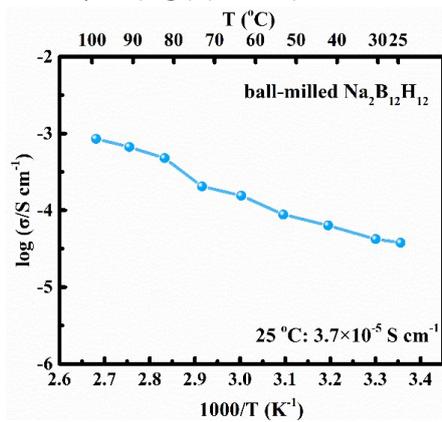


Fig. S6 Arrhenius plot ($\log(\sigma)$ vs $1/T$) of ball-milled $\text{Na}_2\text{B}_{12}\text{H}_{12}$.

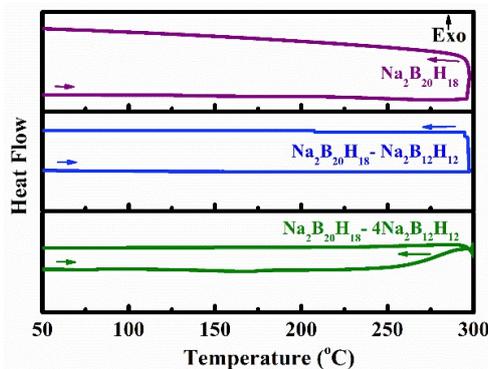


Fig. S7 Differential scanning calorimetry of the samples ($\Delta T / \Delta t = 5 \text{ }^\circ\text{C min}^{-1}$).

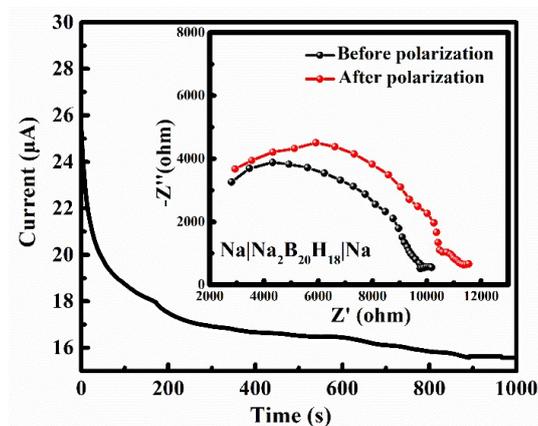


Fig. S8 The chrono current curve of a symmetrical battery $\text{Na}|\text{Na}_2\text{B}_{20}\text{H}_{18}|\text{Na}$ at a polarization

voltage of 10 mV. The inset is the impedance spectrum before and after polarization

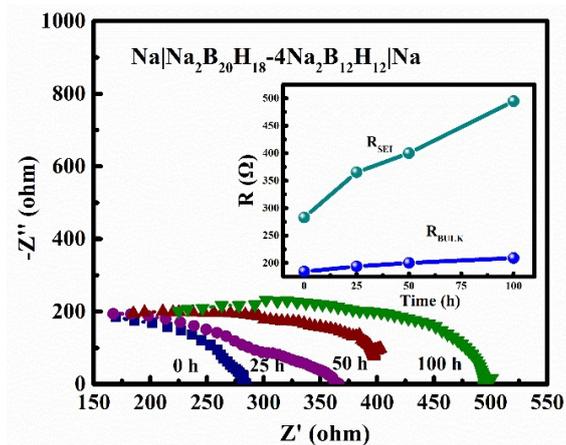


Fig. S9 Nyquist plots measured after 0-100 h of contacting the Na₂B₂₀H₁₈-4Na₂B₁₂H₁₂ SE with Na metal. The inset shows solid electrolyte interface (SEI) and bulk resistances plotted versus time.