

## Supporting information

### Evaluation of performance metrics for high energy density rechargeable lithium–oxygen batteries

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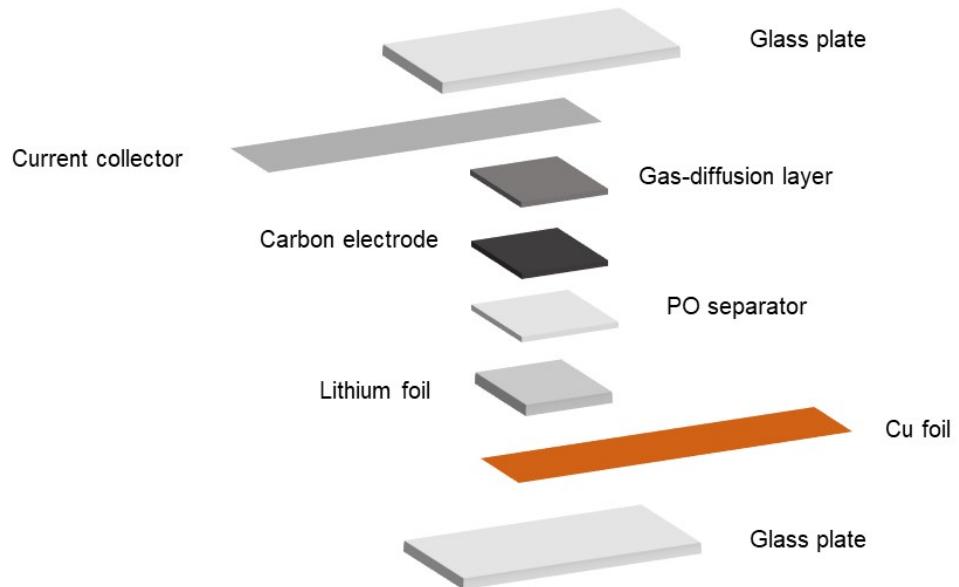
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**Table S1.** Parameters of LOB cells used in discharge/charge test.

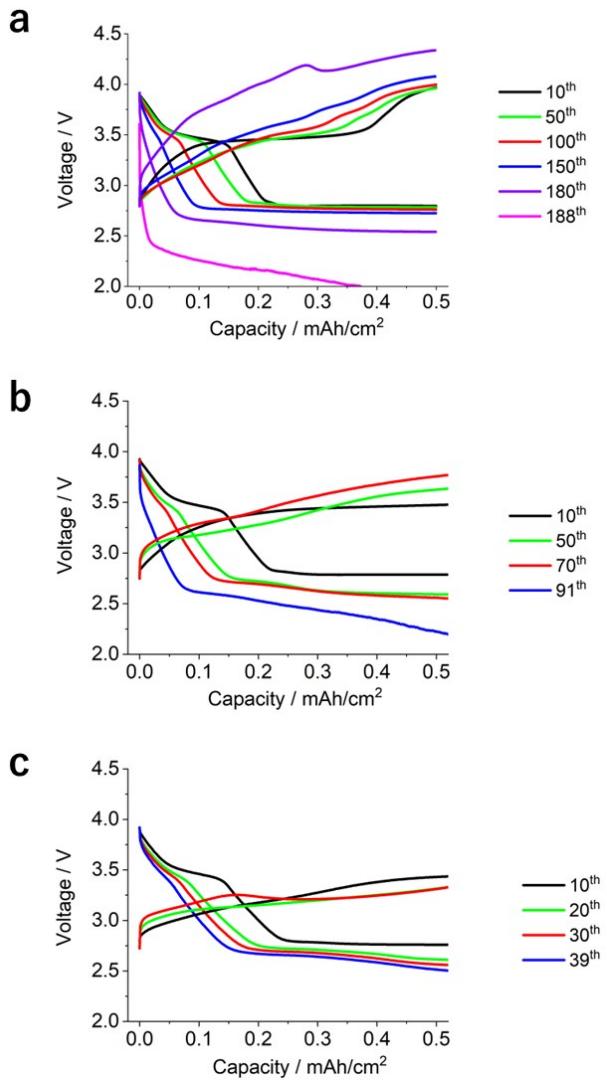
SUS fiber mesh	Mass loading	3.5	mg/cm <sup>2</sup>
	Thickness	30	μm
Carbon fiber membrane	Mass loading	8.4	mg/cm <sup>2</sup>
	Thickness	190	μm
Carbon electrode	Mass loading	5.4	mg/cm <sup>2</sup>
	Thickness	300	μm
Separator	Mass loading	1.08	mg/cm <sup>2</sup>
	Thickness	20	μm
Lithium foil	Mass loading	5.34	mg/cm <sup>2</sup>
	Thickness	100	μm
Copper foil	Mass loading	10.8	mg/cm <sup>2</sup>
	Thickness	12	μm
Electrolyte		22	mg/cm <sup>2</sup>



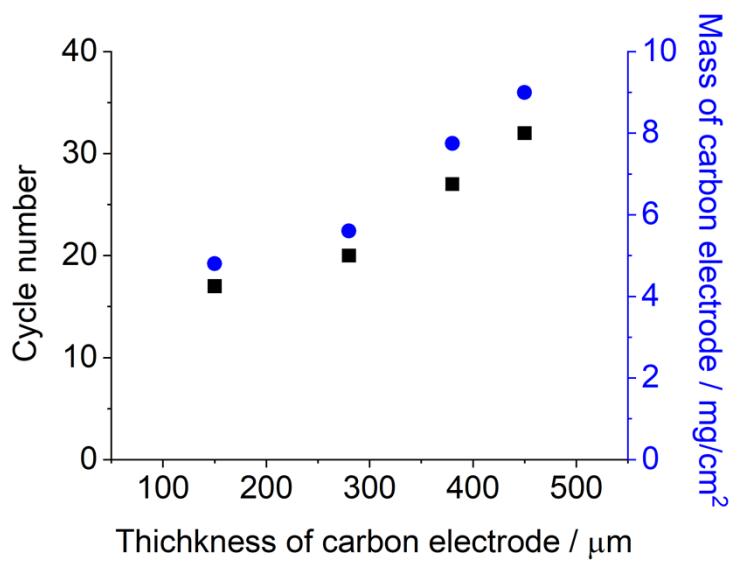
**Figure S1.** Schematic illustration of cell configuration of LOBs cells.

**Table S2.** Physical parameters of gas-diffusion layers.

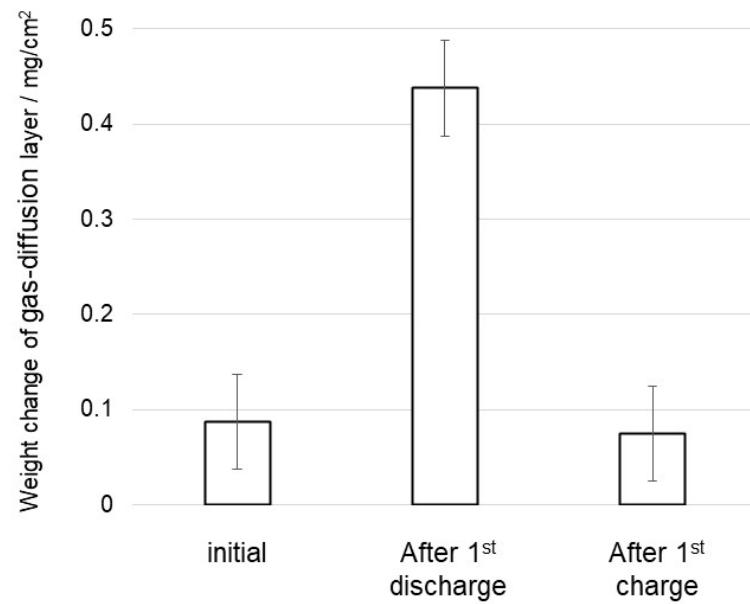
Sample	Material	Structure	Weight [mg/cm <sup>2</sup> ]	Thickness [μm]	Fiber diameter [μm]	Sheet resistance [ohm/square]
Carbon-fiber membrane	Carbon	Random	8.4	190	5	0.66
SUS fiber mesh	SUS-304	Mesh	3.5	30	13	0.42
Ni-coated PET-fiber mesh	Nickel and PET	Mesh	1.4	50	27	1.3
PTFE membrane	PTFE	Porous membrane	2.6	90		>10 <sup>3</sup>



**Figure S2.** Magnified discharge/charge profile of LOB cells with different capacity limitation and current density conditions. (a) 0.05 mA/cm<sup>2</sup>, 0.5 mAh/cm<sup>2</sup>, (b) 0.1 mA/cm<sup>2</sup>, 1 mAh/cm<sup>2</sup>, (c) 0.2 mA/cm<sup>2</sup>, 2 mAh/cm<sup>2</sup>.



**Figure S3.** Relationships between cycle number, mass of carbon electrode and thickness of carbon electrode.



**Figure S4.** Weight change of gas-diffusion layer during 1<sup>st</sup> discharge/charge process.