

## Supporting Information

### Mitigating Magnetic Frustration to Improve Single-Crystalline Nonstoichiometric $\text{Li}_{1.06}\text{Ni}_{0.90}\text{Mn}_{0.04}\text{O}_2$ for Lithium-Ion Batteries

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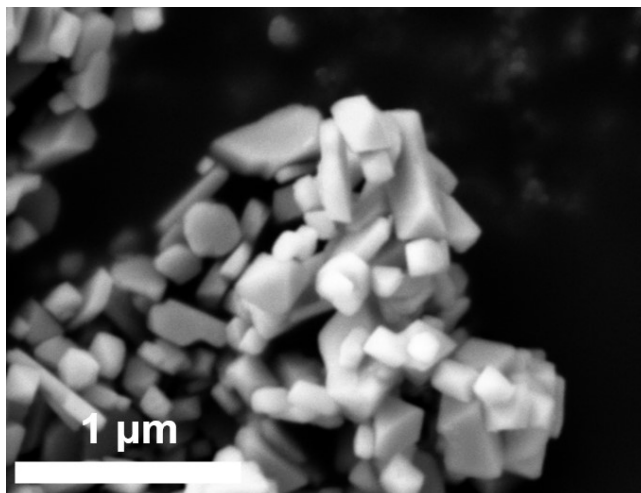
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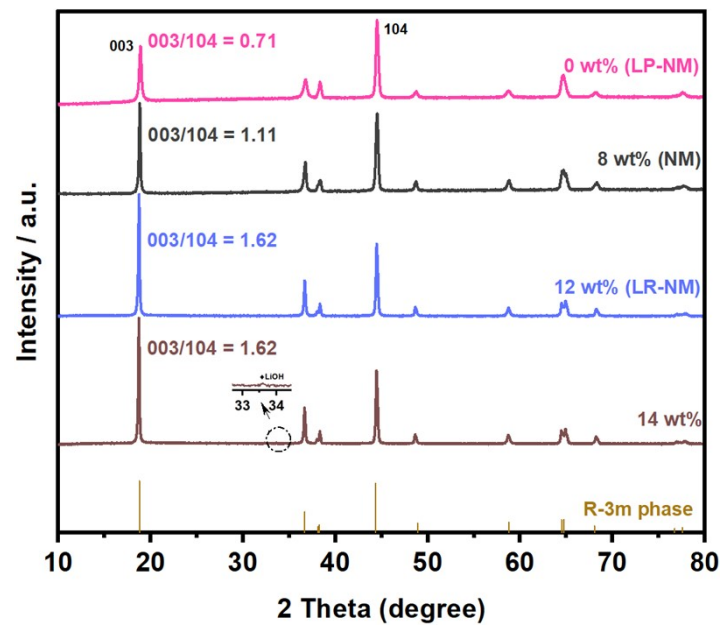
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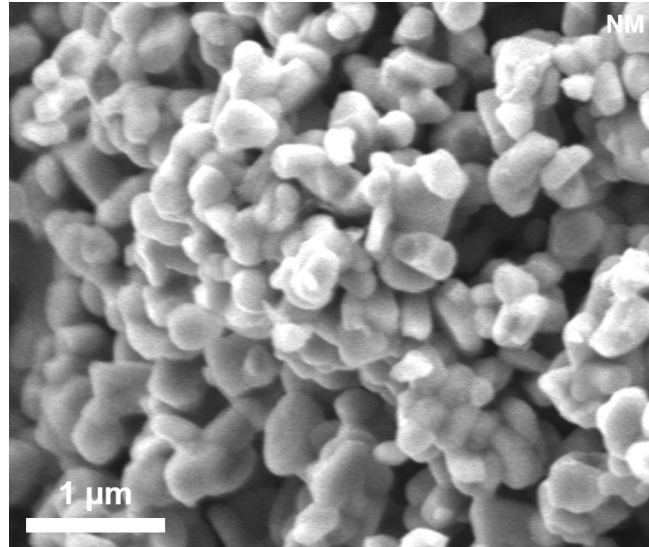
## Supplemental Figures



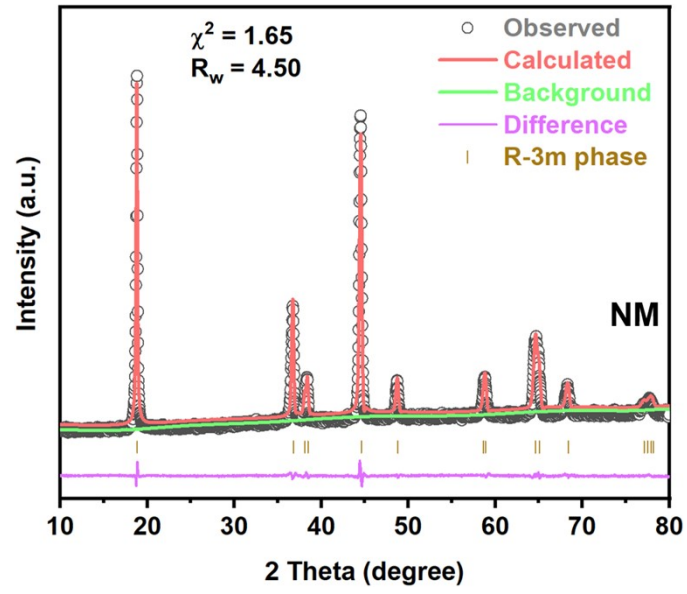
**Fig. S1.** SEM image of LP-NM particles.



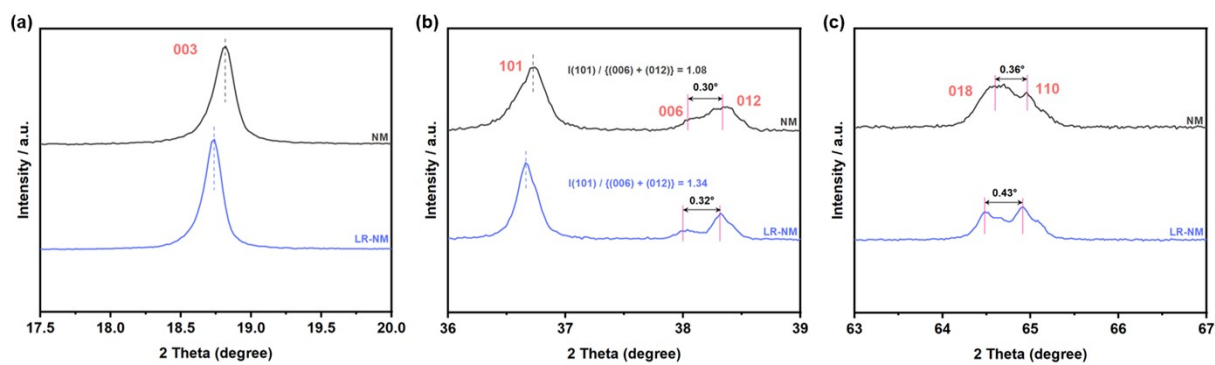
**Fig. S2.** The XRD patterns for the samples at different lithium supplement.



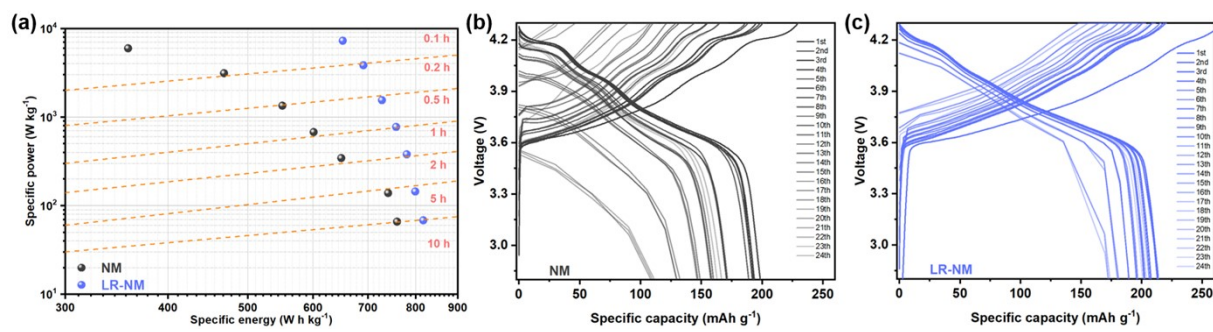
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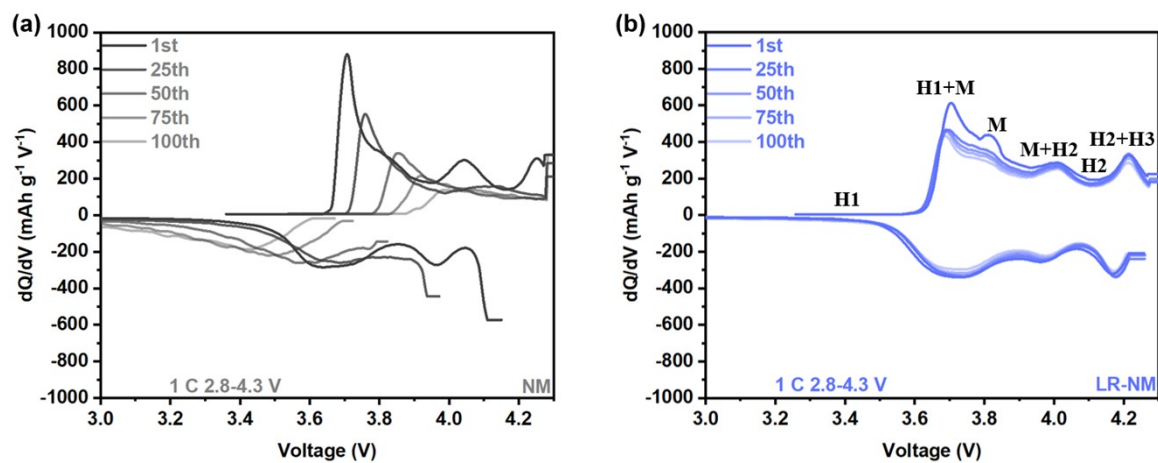
**Fig. S4.** Rietveld-refined XRD patterns of NM.



**Fig. S5.** XRD patterns of expanded view region of  $2\theta$  at (a) 17.5°–20.0°, (b) 36.0°–39.0°, and (c) 63.0°–67.0°.

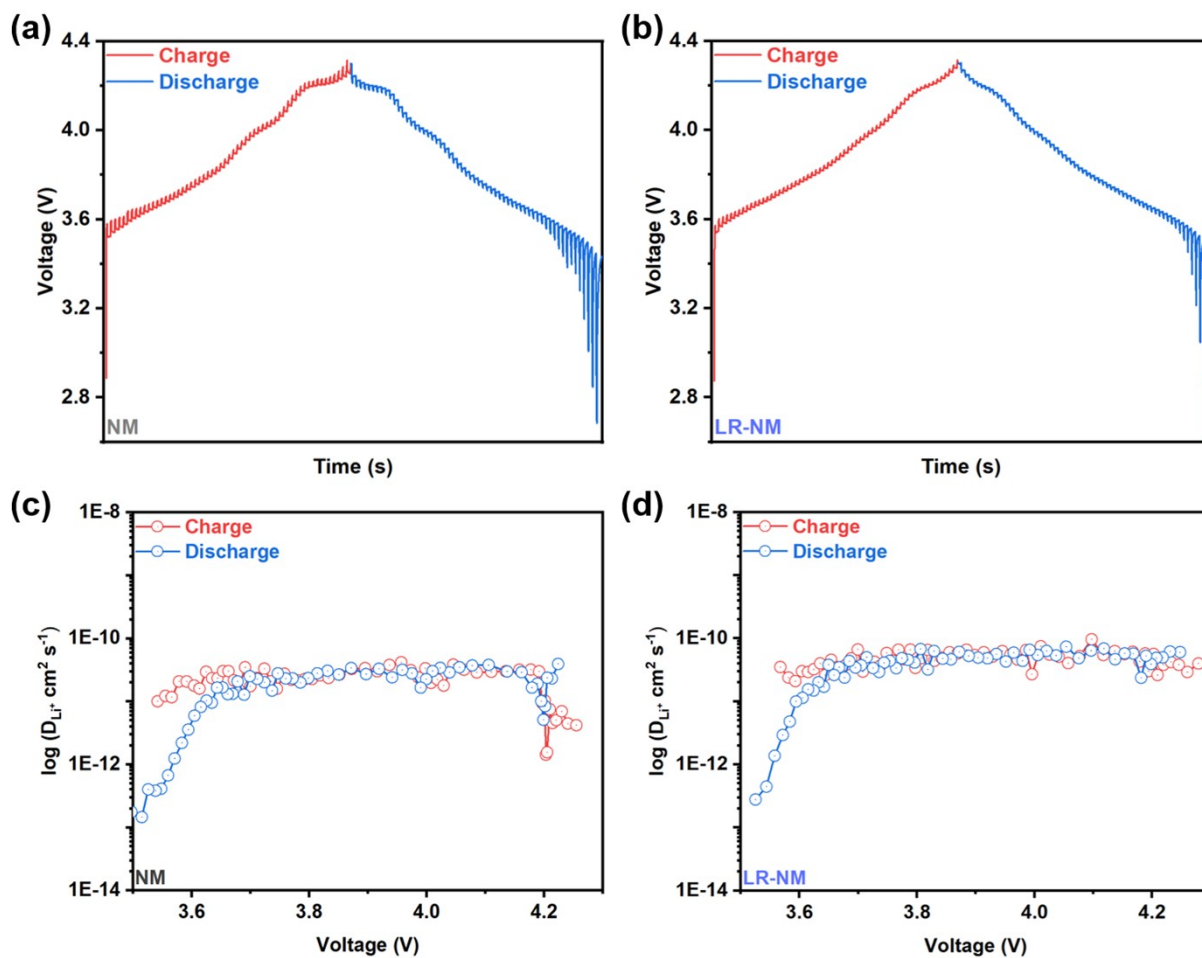


**Fig. S6.** Ragone diagram of NM and LR-NM (a). The charge discharge curves for the rate performance of NM (b) and LR-NM (c).

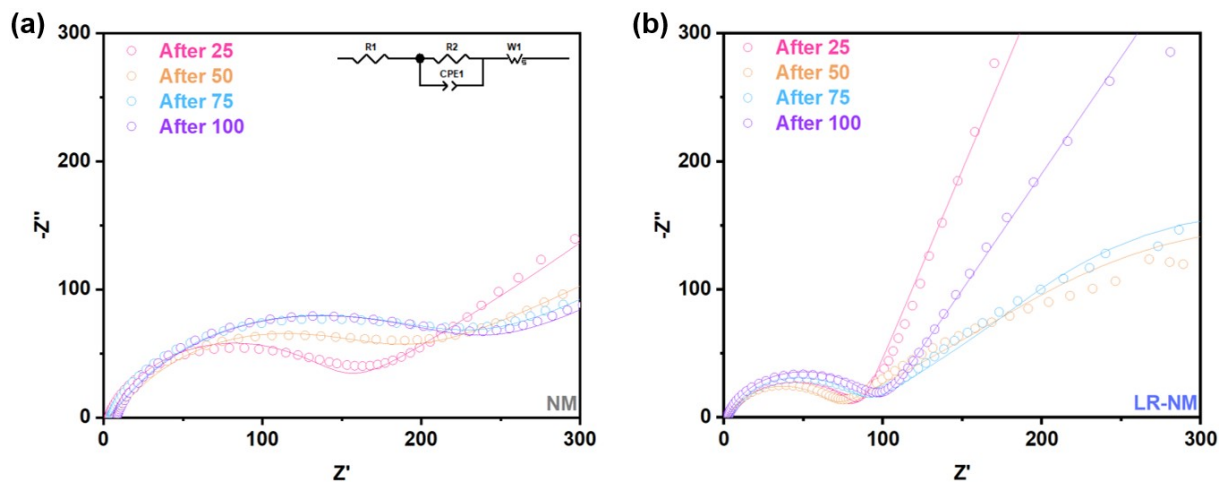


**Fig. S7.**  $dQ/dV^{-1}$  curves for (a) NM and (b) LR-NM at different cycles.

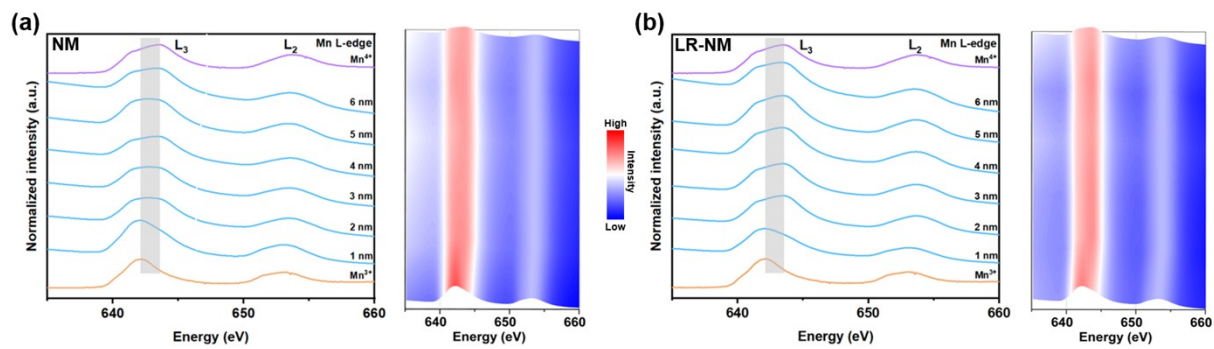




**Fig. S8.** GITT curves (a, b) and the calculated  $\text{Li}^+$  diffusion coefficient (c, d) of NM and LR-NM.



**Fig. S9.** Nyquist plots of different numbers of cycles at 1 C for (a) NM and (b) LR-NM in the voltage range of 2.8–4.3 V.



**Fig. S10.** Mn L-edge EELS spectra of the pristine NM (a) and LR-NM (b).

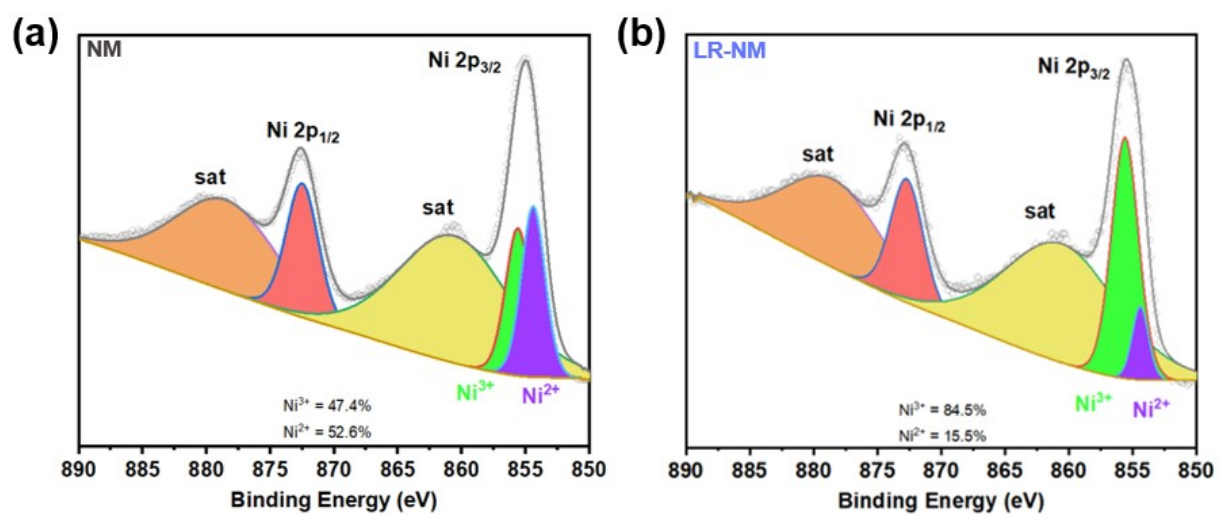


Fig. S11. XPS spectra of Ni 2p for NM (a) and LR-NM (b) cathodes.

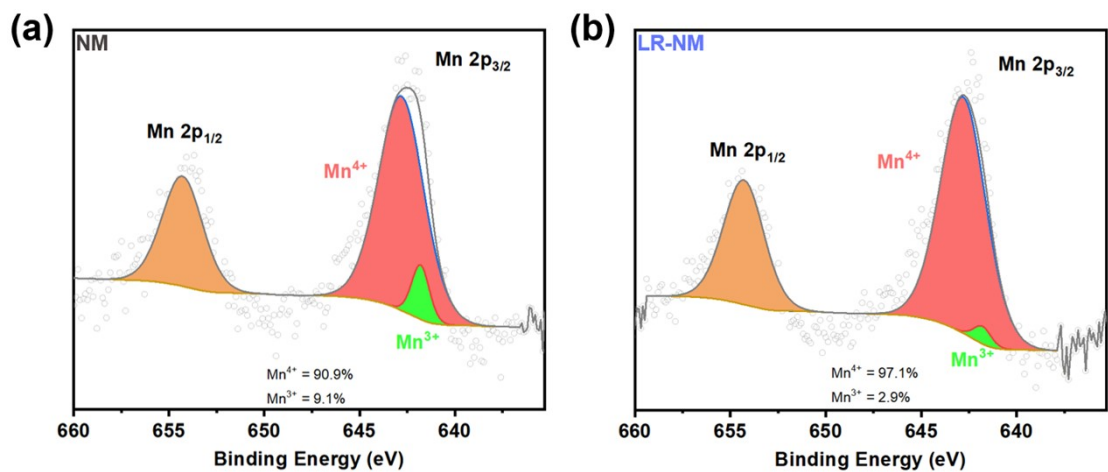
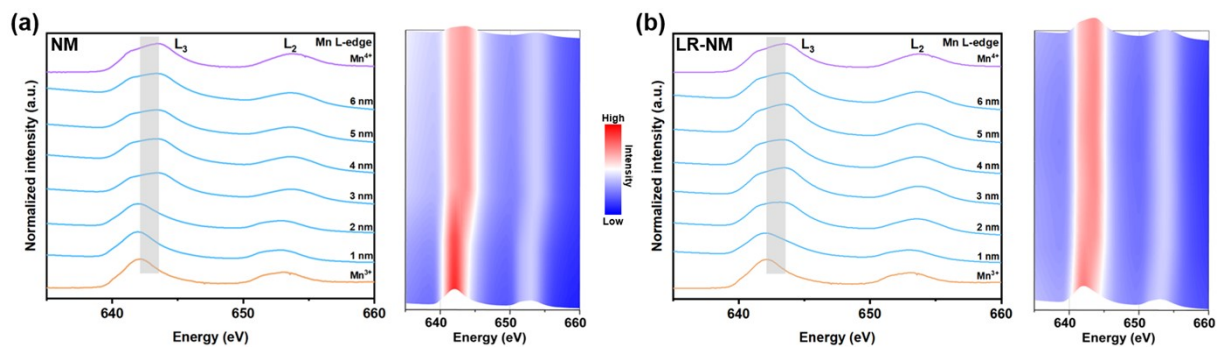
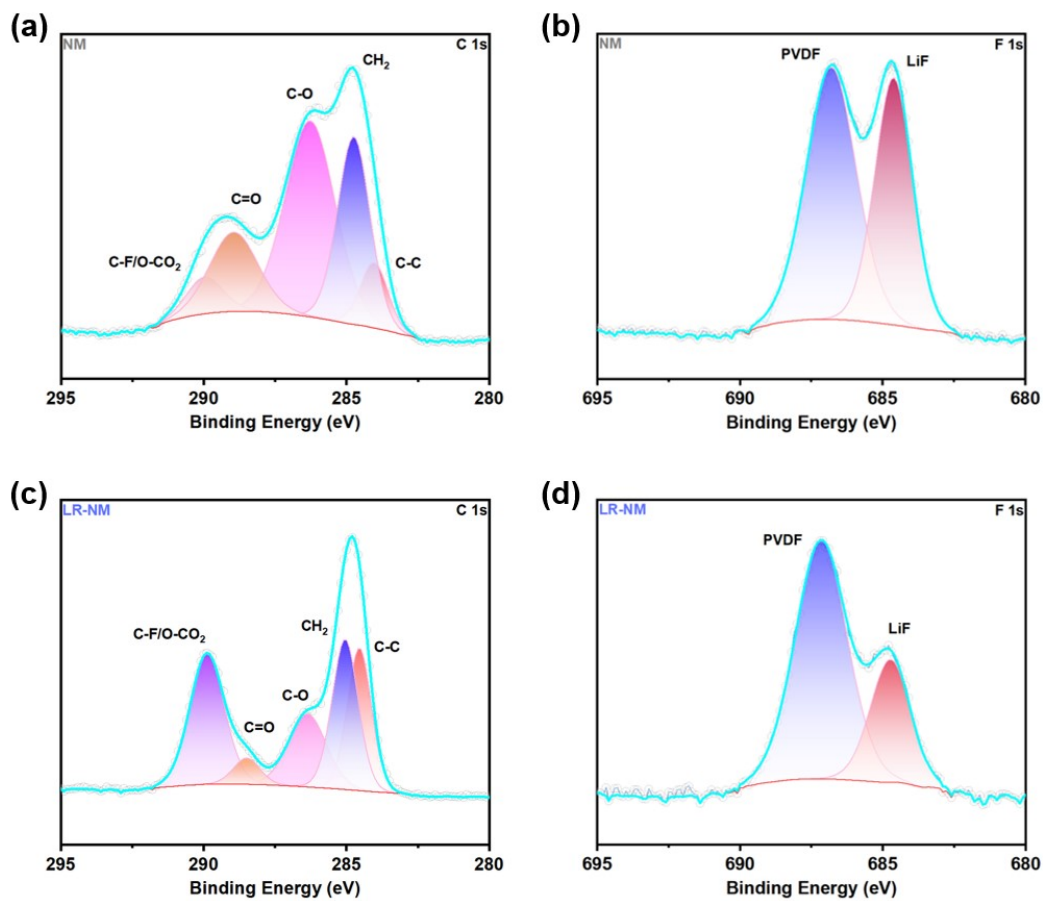


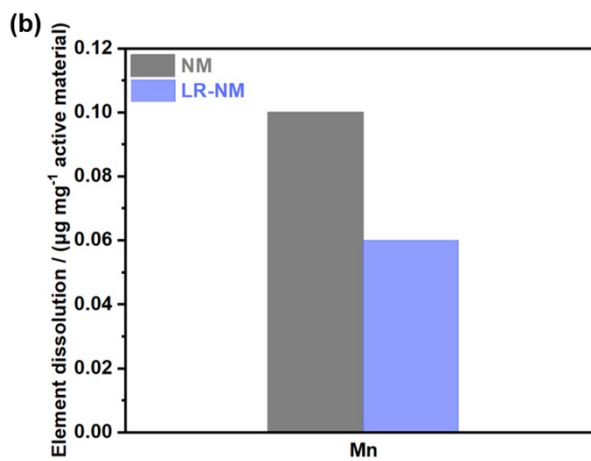
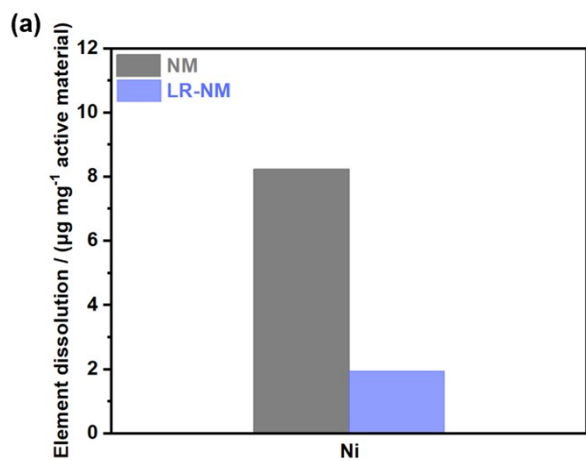
Fig. S12. XPS spectra of Mn 2p for NM (a) and LR-NM (b) cathodes.



**Fig. S13.** Mn L-edge EELS spectra of the NM (a) and LR-NM (b) after 100 cycles.



**Fig. S14.** C 1s, and F 1s XPS spectra for NM (a and b) and LR-NM (c and d) at 1 C rate after 100 cycles.



**Fig. S15.** Dissolution of (a) Ni and (b) Mn elements for NM and LR-NM from anode after 100 cycles.



**Table S1.** Elemental analysis of the samples using ICP-OES.

| Sample  | Li (molar ratio) | Ni (molar ratio) | Mn (molar ratio) |
|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| $\text{Ni}_{0.95}\text{Mn}_{0.05}(\text{OH})_x$ precursor | /                | 0.95             | 0.05             |
| NM  | 0.99             | 0.96             | 0.05             |
| LR-NM   | 1.06             | 0.90             | 0.04             |

**Table S2.** Rietveld refinement data of XRD for NM and LR-NM.

| Sample | Lattice parameters |        |        | Ni in Li site (%) | Rw (%) | $\chi^2$ (%) |
|--------|--------------------|--------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------------|
|        | a (Å)              | c (Å)  | c/a    |                   |        |              |
| NM     | 2.867              | 14.165 | 4.9407 | 6.86              | 4.50   | 1.65         |
| LR-NM  | 2.869              | 14.177 | 4.9414 | 1.51              | 3.25   | 1.37         |

**Table S3.** The performance comparison and mechanistic discussion of reported nickel-rich oxide cathode materials.

| Composition  | Initial discharge capacity (mAh g <sup>-1</sup> ) | Voltage range (V) | Cycle number | Capacity retention (%) | Ref.      |
|--|---|-------------------|--------------|------------------------|-----------|
| SC-Li <sub>1.06</sub> Ni <sub>0.90</sub> Mn <sub>0.04</sub> O <sub>2</sub> | 214.8 (0.1 C)                                     | 2.8-4.3           | 100          | 89.5 (1 C)             | This work |
| SC-LiNi <sub>0.95</sub> Mn <sub>0.05</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                  | 218.2 (0.1 C)                                     | 2.7-4.3           | 200          | 84.4 (1 C)             | 1         |
|  |   |                   | 400          | 54.5 (5 C)             |           |
| PC-LiNi <sub>0.95</sub> Mn <sub>0.05</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                  | 217.2 (0.1 C)                                     | 2.75-4.3          | 100          | 89.9 (1 C)             | 2         |
| Co coated/doped  | 221.2 (0.1 C)                                     | 3.0-4.3           | 100          | 83.2 (0.5 C)           | 3         |
| PC-LiNi <sub>0.95</sub> Mn <sub>0.05</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                  |   |                   |              |                        |           |
| PPy coated   | 234.6 (0.05 C)                                    | 2.7-4.3           | 100          | 90.1                   | 4         |
| PC-LiNi <sub>0.95</sub> Mn <sub>0.05</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                  |   |                   | 100          | 91.1                   |           |
| Al doped   | /   | 2.7-4.3 V         | 180          | 89.4 (1 C)             | 5         |
| PC-LiNi <sub>0.90</sub> Mn <sub>0.10</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                  |   |                   | 100          | 86.4 (5 C)             |           |
| Co, Al co-doped  | /   | 3.0-4.3           | 200          | 80.4 (1 C)             | 6         |
| PC-LiNi <sub>0.90</sub> Mn <sub>0.10</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                  |   |                   | 200          | 76.8 (5 C)             |           |
| Co doped and La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> coated                         | 214.7 (0.2 C)                                     | 2.7-4.3           | 200          | 77.9 (1 C)             | 7         |
|  |   |                   | 200          | 75.7 (5 C)             |           |
| PC-LiNi <sub>0.90</sub> Mn <sub>0.10</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                  |   |                   |              |                        |           |
| La doped and La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> coated                         | 214.4 (0.2 C)                                     | 2.7-4.3           | 100          | 83.19 (1 C)            | 8         |
| PC-LiNi <sub>0.90</sub> Mn <sub>0.10</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                  |   |                   |              |                        |           |

**Table S4.** The average charging/discharging Li<sup>+</sup> diffusion coefficient of NM and LR-NM electrodes.

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| Sample  | NM                       | LR-NM                    |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Charging / cm <sup>2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>    | 2.21 × 10 <sup>-11</sup> | 4.74 × 10 <sup>-11</sup> |
| Discharging / cm <sup>2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> | 1.91 × 10 <sup>-11</sup> | 4.08 × 10 <sup>-11</sup> |

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**Table S5.** Impedance parameters fitted at various cycles for NM and LR-NM electrodes.

| Sample | 25th cycle        |                   | 50th cycle        |                   | 75th cycle        |                   | 100th cycle       |                   |
|--------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|        | $R_{sf} (\Omega)$ | $R_{ct} (\Omega)$ | $R_{sf} (\Omega)$ | $R_{ct} (\Omega)$ | $R_{sf} (\Omega)$ | $R_{ct} (\Omega)$ | $R_{sf} (\Omega)$ | $R_{ct} (\Omega)$ |
| NM     | 3.5               | 130.2             | 3.0               | 135.1             | 2.1               | 182.9             | 3.1               | 193.7             |
| LR-NM  | 2.4               | 82.7              | 1.8               | 60.5              | 2.1               | 80.4              | 1.6               | 93.9              |

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