Phosphorus flame retardant-fixed in situ gel polymer electrolyte for safety-enhanced and superior electrochemical performance lithium metal battery

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Fig. S1. Structure diagram of FGPE.



Fig. S2. Optical images comparison before and after FGPE polymerization.



Fig. S3. FTIR spectra of LiDFOB/EC/DMC, DMF, and DMF+FGPE.



Fig. S4. GPC analysis of FGPE polymer.



Fig. S5. Typical SEM image of cellulose film.



Fig. S6. C, O, F and N elements EDS mappings of FGPE.



Fig. S7. TG curves of PEGDA, PEGMEMA, LiDFOB and DOPO.



Fig. S8. Open combustion tests of FGPE-2, FGPE-4 and FGPE-6.



Fig. S9. Open combustion tests of FGPE-8 and FGPE-10.



Fig. S10. The self-extinguishing time of GPE, FGPE-2, FGPE-4, FGPE-6, FGPE-8 and FGPE-10.

$$\begin{array}{c} P_4+2O_2 {\rightarrow} 4PO {\cdot} \\ H_3PO_4 {\rightarrow} HPO_2 {+} HPO {+} PO {\cdot} \\ H {\cdot} {+} PO {\cdot} {\rightarrow} HPO \\ H {\cdot} {+} HPO {\rightarrow} H_2 {+} PO {\cdot} \\ 2OH {\cdot} {+} PO {\cdot} {\rightarrow} HPO {+} H_2O \\ OH {+} H_2 {+} PO {\cdot} {\rightarrow} HPO {+} H_2O \end{array}$$
Fig. S11. Flame retardant principle of DOPO.



Fig. S12. The ion conductivity dependence of SS/FGPE/SS symmetrical cells with DOPO content of 2%, 4%, 6%, and 10% in the temperature range of 30-90°C.



Fig. S13. LSV profile of SS/LE/SS symmetrical cell.



Fig. S14. Current-time profiles of Li/LE/Li symmetrical cell, the insert showing the EIS profiles before and after polarization.



Fig. S15. Impedance changes of (a) Li/FGPE/Li and (b) Li/LE/Li symmetrical cells during different storage times.



Fig. S16. Selected polarization voltage profiles of Li/FGPE/Li symmetric cell with a current density of 0.2 mA cm⁻² at different testing times.



Fig. S17. SEM images of cycled Li anode in (a) Li/FGPE/Li and (b) Li/LE/Li symmetric cells after 600 h at the current density of 0.2 mA cm⁻².



Fig. S18. Cross-sectional SEM images of cycled Li anode in (a) Li/FGPE/Li and (b) Li/LE/Li symmetric cells after cycling at the current density of 0.2 mA cm⁻².



Fig. S19. Charge/discharge profiles of LFP/FGPE/Li battery at 0.2C.



Fig. S20. Charge/discharge profiles of LFP/LE/Li battery at 0.2C.



Fig. S21. Charge/discharge profiles of LFP/LE/Li battery at 0.2C.



Fig. S22. Charge/discharge profiles of NCM811/LE/Li battery at 0.2C.



Fig. S23. XPS spectrum of P 2p for Li anode of cycled LFP/FGPE/Li battery.



Fig. 24. (a-d) Powering LED lamps test and (e-h) voltage test of LFP/FGPE/graphite pouch cell under fully-charged rest state, twisting, hammer striking and cutting.

| Table S1. Electrochemical performances of phosphorus flame retardant applied to g | gel polymer |
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| Polymerization strategy | Monomer | Ionic conductivity (mS cm ⁻¹) | Capacity (mAh g ⁻¹) | Capacity retention | Flame retardant ratio | Flame retardant effect | Ref. |
|-----------------------------|---|---|------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|--|--------------|
| Free radical polymerization | PEGDA/ PEGMEMA/ DOPO | 1.13 (RT) | LFP 165.7, 0.1C 160.4, 0.2C | 99% (300 cycles) 99.7% (300 cycles) | 8% | Flame contact for 190 s without ignition | This work |
| UV curing | PUA/SN/ Al ₂ O ₃ /DOPO | 0.266 (RT) | LFP 144.6, 0.2C | 96.3% (100 cycles) | 4% | Flame contact is ignited for 5 s and extinguished after 3 s | [ref.1] |
| | TTE/DOPO in carbonate electrolyte | About 5.7 (RT) | LFP 152, 0.2C | 99.7% (65 cycles) | 5% | Flame contact without ignition | [ref.2] |
| Free radical polymerization | PEG/KH560/ DOPO | 0.0298 (RT) | LFP 130.7, 0.2C, 60°C | About 99% (200 cycles) | 13.67% | Flame contact without ignition | [ref.3] |
| Free radical polymerization | VC/TEP | 4.4 (RT) | LFP 147, 0.5C | 98.7% (300 cycles) | 50% | Flame contact for 1 s without ignition | [ref.4] |
| Free radical polymerization | TAEP/ PEGDMA | 0.51 (RT) | LFP 138, 0.5C | About 92% (300 cycles) | 7.5% | Flame contact for 10 s without ignition | [ref.5] |

electrolytes in previous reports.

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