

# A novel organosilicon-based ionic plastic crystal as solid-state electrolyte for lithium ion batteries

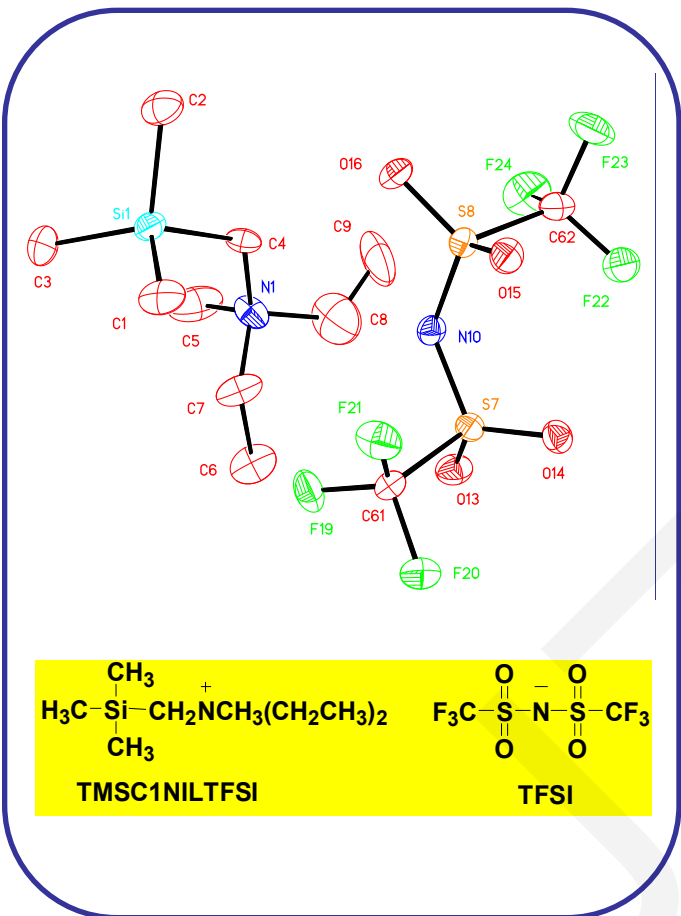
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# Main Goal

- Investigate the chemical structure and the physical and electrochemical properties of organosilicon-based ionic plastic crystals (OS ICP).
- Improve the conductivities of OS ICP by doping.
- Improve cycle performance of all solid-state lithium-ion battery using OS ICP electrolyte.

# Main Approach and Strategies



- **[DTMA][TFSI] was synthesized with N-[(trimethylsilyl)methyl]-N,N-diethylamine as raw material through a two-step route.**
- **To improve the conductivity of organosilicon-based ionic plastic crystals by doping lithium salt and Propylene carbonate.**
- **Optimizing the doping content of LiODFB and PC in [DTMA][TFSI].**
- **To investigate the electrochemical performances of the optimized composite as solid electrolyte in LiFePO<sub>4</sub>/Li half-cells.**

# Three Representative Activities

## ■ Thermal and Conductivity performance

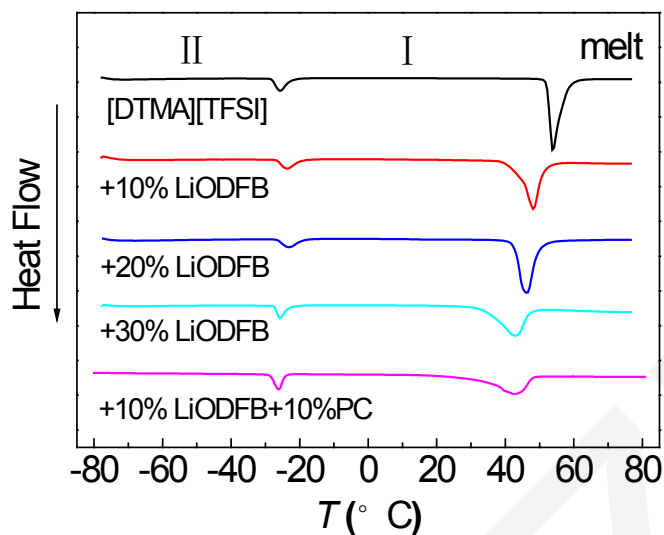


Fig. 1. DSC analysis of pure and [DTMA][TFSI] doped with LiODFB and PC

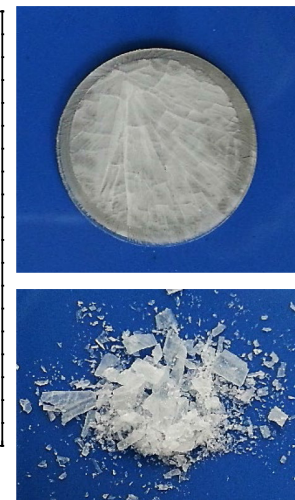
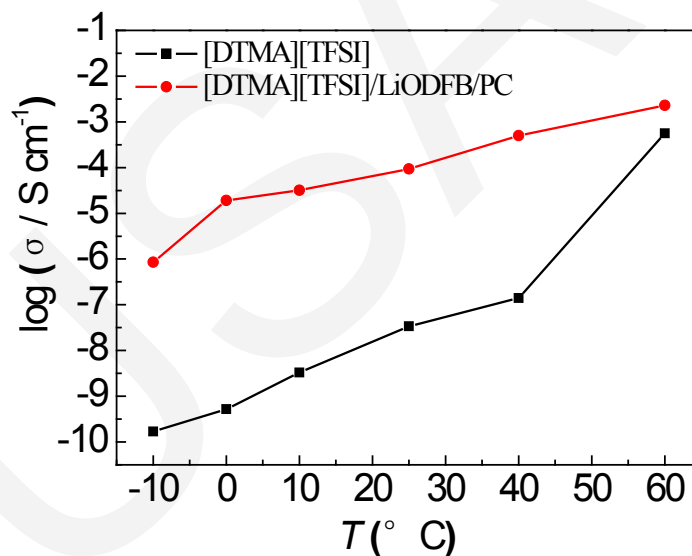


Fig. 2. The temperature dependence of conductivity curve and room temperature sample photos

- *Plastic crystal temperature ranges from  $-26^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $54^{\circ}\text{C}$ .*
- *Doping LiODFB and PC in the neat OS IPC material, ionic conductivity significantly increased about  $1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ S cm}^{-1}$  at  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ .*

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## ■ The electrochemical properties of OS IPC composite electrolyte material

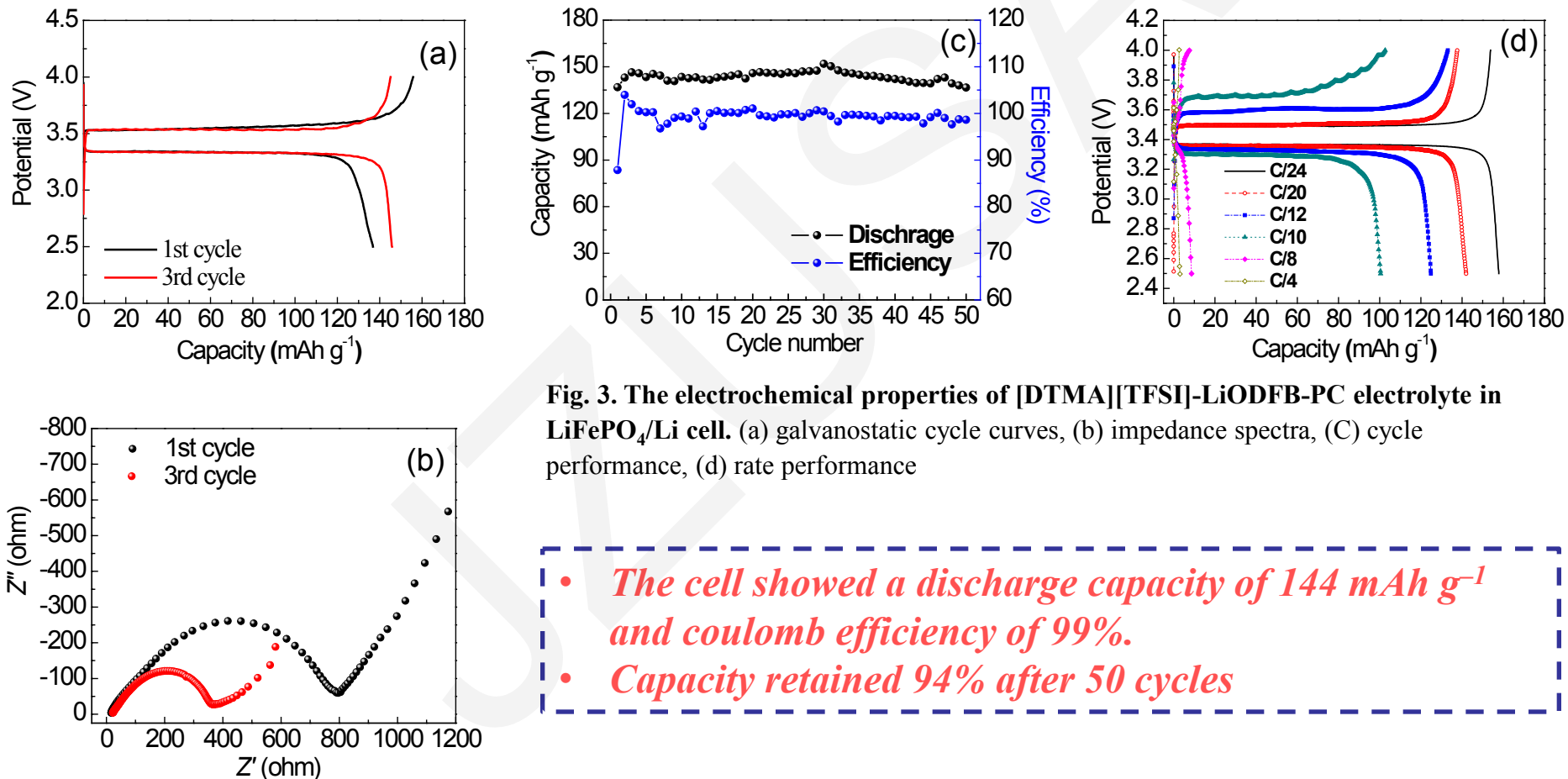


Fig. 3. The electrochemical properties of [DTMA][TFSI]-LiODFB-PC electrolyte in LiFePO<sub>4</sub>/Li cell. (a) galvanostatic cycle curves, (b) impedance spectra, (C) cycle performance, (d) rate performance

- *The cell showed a discharge capacity of 144 mAh g<sup>-1</sup> and coulomb efficiency of 99%.*
- *Capacity retained 94% after 50 cycles*

# Conclusions

- A novel organosilicon-based ionic plastic crystal electrolyte [DTMA][TFSI] was synthesized with a wide plastic crystal temperature range (-26 - 54 ° C).
- Doping in [DTMA][TFSI] with 10%LiODFB and 10%PC, the composite showed a significantly increased ionic conductivity of  $1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ S cm}^{-1}$  at 25 ° C.
- LiFePO<sub>4</sub>/Li cell with the composite as solid-state electrolyte exhibited good cycle stability.
- New organosilicon-based ionic plastic crystal composites have considerable potential used as solid-state electrolyte materials.