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A single-ion-conducting polymer and high-entropy Li-garnet composite electrolyte with simultaneous enhancement in ion transport and mechanical properties

A high performance composite electrolyte was developed by incorporating high-entropy Li-garnet ($\text{Li}_7\text{La}_3\text{Zr}_{0.5}\text{Nb}_{0.5}\text{Ta}_{0.5}\text{Hf}_{0.5}\text{O}_{12}$) into a vinyl ethylene carbonate based single-ion-conducting polymer via in-situ polymerization. This combination enables simultaneous enhancement in ionic conductivity and storage modulus, effectively suppressing lithium dendrite growth and ensuring prolonged cycling stability in Li symmetric cells.

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