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INPUT DATA FOR THE ELECTROLYTE

Table SI-1. Values of parameters and properties of the electrolyte system used in the simulations of this study.

Electrolyte 1 M LiPF₆ /EC:EMC at 50:50 v/v	
Dissociation constant, k_d	1. [calculated in this study to match σ_2]
Deformed “flat” solvated Li in small micropores: d_{Li^+} (nm) $d_{Li^+,min}$ (nm) $d_{Li^+,max}$ (nm)	0.56 0.56 1.527
V_{Li^+} (nm ³)	0.092
Desolvated PF ₆ ⁻ : $d_{PF_6^-}$ (nm) $=d_{PF_6^-,min}=d_{PF_6^-,max}$	0.5 [1]
$V_{PF_6^-}$ (nm ³)	0.069 [1]
Solvated tetrahedral Li ⁺ /EC:EMC: $d_{Li^+/EC:EMC}$ (nm) $d_{Li^+/EC:EMC,min}$ (nm) $d_{Li^+/EC:EMC,max}$ (nm)	1.8 [2] 1.8 [2] 1.93 [2]
Solvated PF ₆ ⁻ /EC:EMC: $d_{PF_6^-/EC:EMC}$ (nm) $=d_{PF_6^-/EC:EMC,min}$	1.4 [1,2]

$\epsilon_{\text{d PF6-/EC:EMC,max}}$	
$E_{\text{Li+/EC:EMC}}$ (kJ/mol)	-400 [3]
$n_{\text{Li+/EC:EMC}}$	4 [2]
Desolvation: $\Delta n_{\text{Li+/EC:EMC}}$	0
$E_{\text{PF6-/EC:EMC}}$ (kJ/mol)	-70 [4]
$n_{\text{PF6-/EC:EMC}}$	3 [2]
$\Delta n_{\text{BF4-/AN}}$	3
Dielectric constant of solvent, ϵ_r	52 [5]
Solvent viscosity η_0 (mPa s)	1.4 [5]
Conductivity σ_2 (S m ⁻¹)	0.5

Solvent viscosity and dielectric constant were obtained from the cited papers, which reported the properties of single solvents and solvent mixtures at different ratio to 50:50 v/v employed in this study: those values were then interpolated to the solvent mixture composition of this study by following a simple rule of mixtures. The conductivity of the electrolyte was calculated using equations (6-8) and (10) of the main manuscript, where the electrolyte dissociation constant was fitted to $k_d = 1$, so that the conductivity of the electrolyte is correctly related to R_1 value in Table 1 for this electrolyte and also in relation to the R_1 values for the other EDLCs with the two other electrolytes in Table 1, for which their conductivity values were also known.

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