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Unveiling high-power and high-safety lithium-ion battery separator based on interlayer of ZIF-67/cellulose nanofiber with electrospun poly(vinyl alcohol)/melamine nonwoven membranes

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HIGHLIGHTS

GRAPHICAL ABSTRACT

- High-power and high-safety lithium-ion batteries composite membrane was developed.
- ZIF-67 filler deposited on cellulose acetate fibers (Z₆₇@CA) by in situ growth method.
- Sandwich structure developed with electrospun poly(vinyl alcohol)/melamine nonwoven membranes (Esp-PVAM).
- The Esp-PVAM/15%Z₆₇@CA/Esp-PVAM membrane exhibited good capacity retention of 90.34% (1C) for 100 cycles.
- The Esp-PVAM/15%Z₆₇@CA/Esp-PVAM membrane has a good dendrite suppression and thermo-resistant properties.

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ABSTRACT

Due to the poor thermal stability of conventional separators, lithium-ion batteries require a suitable separator to maintain system safety for long-term cycling performance. It must have high porosity, superior electrolyte uptake ability, and good ion-conducting properties even at high temperatures. In this work, we demonstrate a novel composite membrane based on sandwiching of zeolitic imidazole frameworks-67 decorated cellulose acetate nanofibers (ZIF-67@CA) with electrospun poly(vinyl alcohol)/melamine (denoted as PVAM) nonwoven membranes. The as-prepared sandwich-type membranes are called PVAM/x%ZIF-67@CA/PVAM. The middle layer of composite membranes is primarily filled with different weight percentages of ZIF-67 nanoparticles (x = 5, 15,

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