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Structural and electrochemical characterization of lithium excess and Al-doped nickel oxides synthesized by sol-gel method

졸-겔법을 이용한 리튬 과량 $\text{Li}_{1+x}\text{NiO}_2$ 와 Al-doped $\text{LiAl}_y\text{Ni}_{1-y}\text{O}_2$ 의 구조와 전기화학적 특성 연구

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The layered LiNiO_2 ($R\bar{3}m$) has been of great interesting as positive electrode materials for secondary lithium batteries. Recently LiNiO_2 has been intensively investigated because of its comparatively low cost, large theoretical capacity (275mAh/g) and environmental advantages. However, LiNiO_2 has several problems such as difficulty in synthesis of the electroactive LiNiO_2 , cation mixing and thermal stability.

We reported here the synthesis of highly crystalline $\text{Li}_{1+x}\text{NiO}_2$ powders using the excess-lithium method and the Al doped nickelate ($\text{LiAl}_y\text{Ni}_{1-y}\text{O}_2$). Cycling properties of these materials are discussed in comparison with LiNiO_2 both at room temperature and high temperature(50°C). We also report that the synthesis property of LiNiO_2 which was synthesized by sol-gel method. The gas investigation was analyzed during the decomposition of gel precursor using a quadrapole mass spectroscopy (QMS). The QMS data reveals that oxygen might play an important role in the synthesis of highly crystallized LiNiO_2 .

The initial capacity of the $\text{LiAl}_y\text{Ni}_{1-y}\text{O}_2$ cells decreases with the increases of Al content, the aluminum dopant is very effective to increase the cycle performance of LiNiO_2 cells at high temperature(50°C).