## **Supporting Information:**

## The Solid Electrolyte Interphase (SEI) of Water-Processed Graphite Electrodes Examined in a 65 mAh Full Cell Configuration

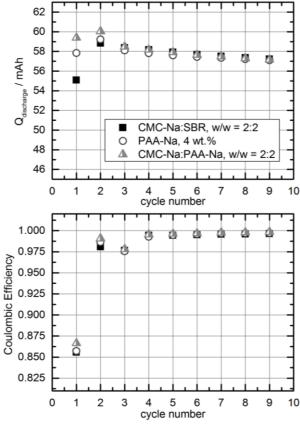
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## 1. Galvanostatic Cycling of Samples



**Figure S1.** Discharge capacities (top) and corresponding Coulombic efficiencies (bottom) of graphite:LiFePO<sub>4</sub> lithium-ion batteries. The graphite electrodes contained 4 wt.% of PAA-Na binder (empty circles) or a binder blend of CMC-Na:SBR (2:2, filled squares) and CMC-Na:PAA-Na (2:2, triangles), respectively.

## 2. Relative atomic ratios (supplement to Fig. 4)

**Table S1.** Relative atomic concentrations in pristine, soaked and cycled electrodes in either of the three formulations.

#### CMC:SBR

element	pristine	soaked	cycled
С	86.7	74.8	43.7
0	11.9	10.0	20.6
F	0.0	9.3	14.3
Р	0.0	1.0	2.1
Na	1.3	0.2	0.0
Li	0.0	4.8	19.3

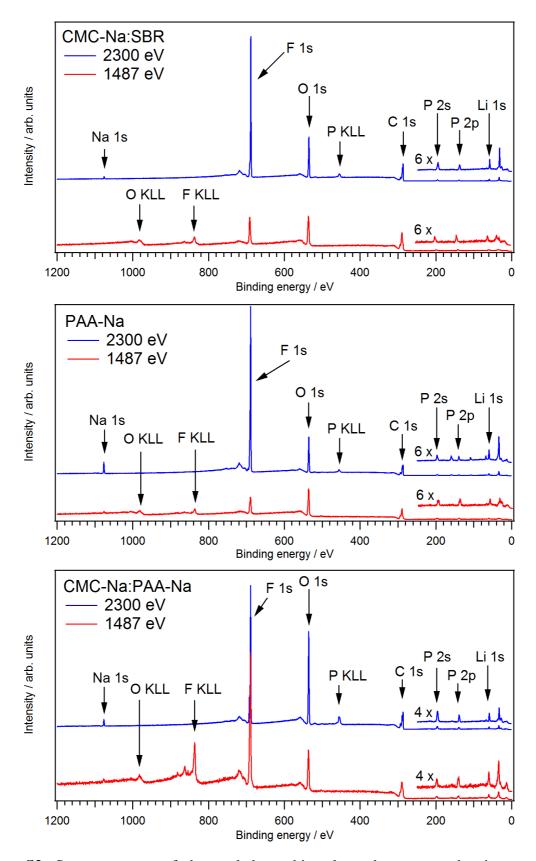
#### PAA-Na

element	pristine	soaked	cycled
С	90.0	83.8	33.5
0	7.8	5.7	26.0
F	0.0	6.1	12.9
Р	0.0	0.6	2.7
Na	2.2	0.1	0.6
Li	0.0	3.7	24.3

#### CMC:PAA

element	pristine	soaked	cycled
С	81.8	76.1	22.5
0	15.5	11.9	13.3
F	0.0	7.1	30.6
Р	0.0	1.1	1.9
Na	2.7	0.2	0.4
Li	0.0	3.6	31.3

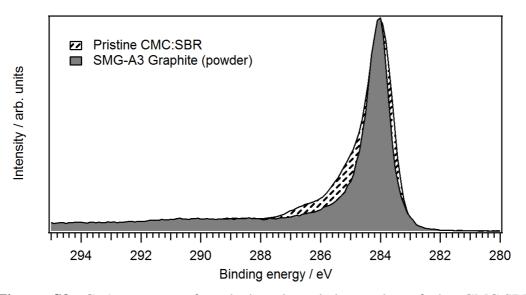
## 3. Survey Spectra of Cycled Samples



**Figure S2.** Survey spectra of the cycled graphite electrodes measured using excitation energies of 1487 eV and 2300 eV

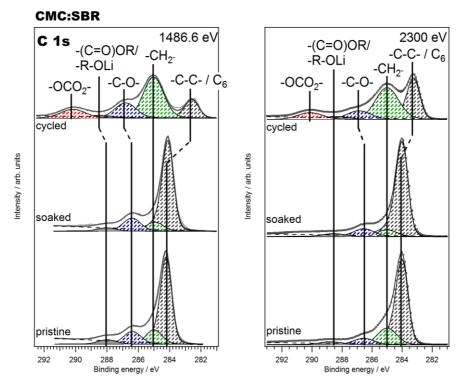
## 3. Core level spectra of pristine, soaked and cycled samples

# 3.1. Comparison: SMG-A3 graphite (powder vs. pristine graphite electrode with CMC:SBR binder)

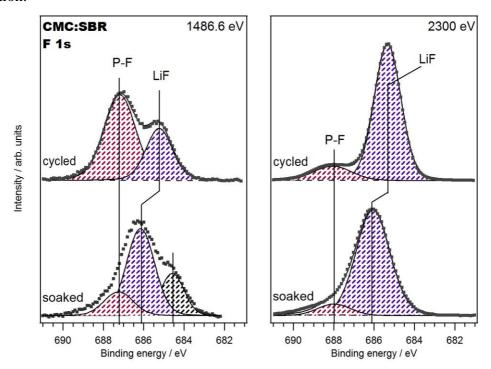


**Figure S3.** C 1s spectra of soaked and cycled samples of the CMC:SBR electrode formulation.

## 3.2. PES spectra of CMC-Na:SBR electrodes



**Figure S4.** C 1s spectra of pristine, soaked and cycled samples of the CMC:SBR electrode formulation.



**Figure S5.** F 1s spectra of soaked and cycled samples of the CMC:SBR electrode formulation.

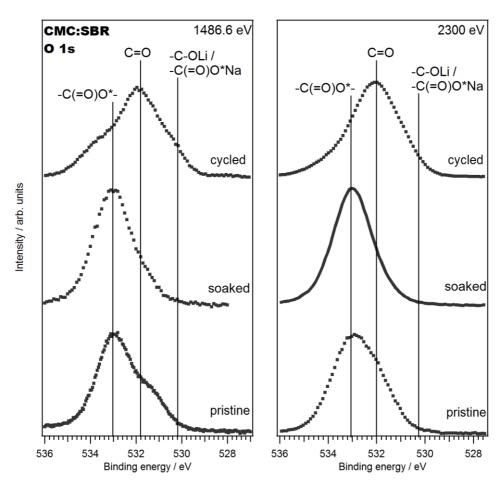
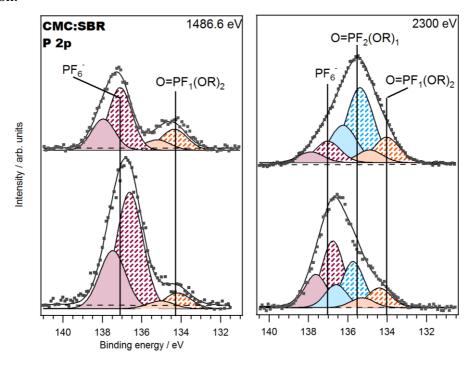
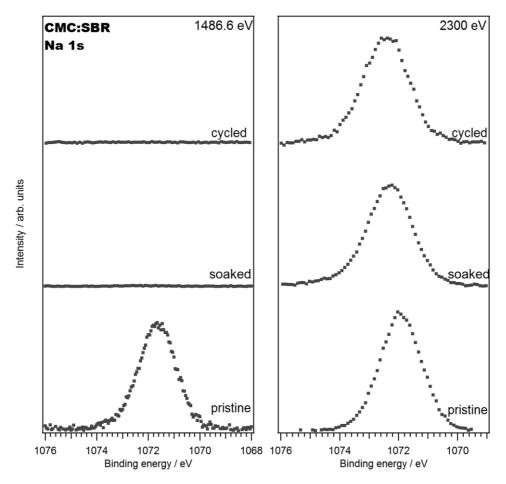


Figure S6. O 1s spectra of pristine, soaked and cycled samples of the CMC:SBR electrode formulation.

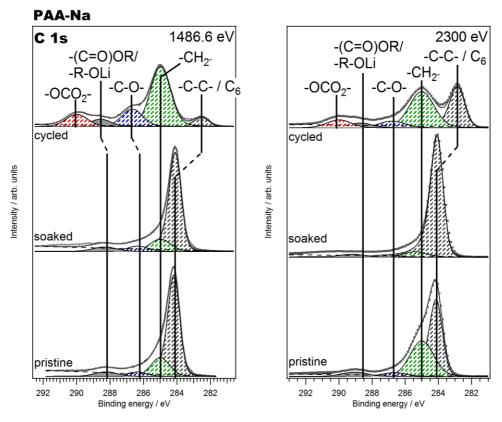


**Figure S7.** P 2p spectra of soaked and cycled samples of the CMC:SBR electrode formulation.



**Figure S8.** Na 1s spectra of pristine, soaked and cycled samples of the CMC:SBR electrode formulation.

## 3.3. PES spectra of PAA-Na electrodes



**Figure S9.** C 1s spectra of pristine, soaked and cycled samples of the PAA-Na electrode formulation.

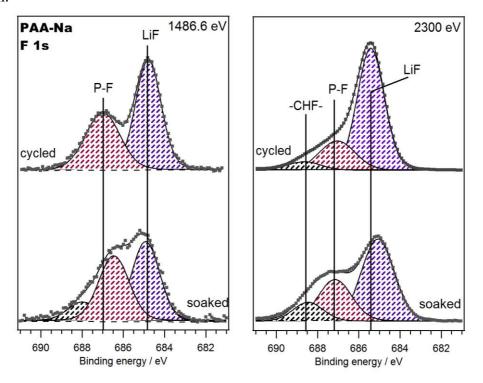
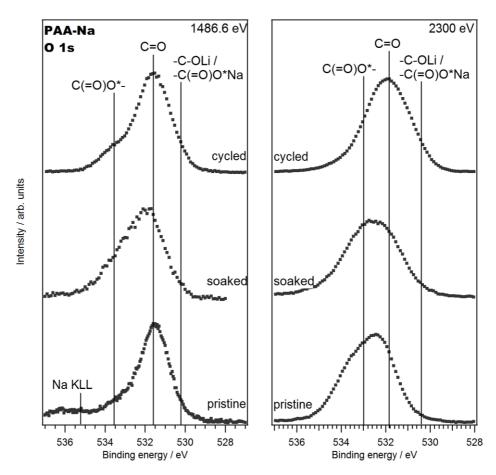


Figure S10. F 1s spectra of soaked and cycled samples of the PAA-Na electrode formulation.



**Figure S11.** O 1s spectra of pristine, soaked and cycled samples of the PAA-Na electrode formulation.

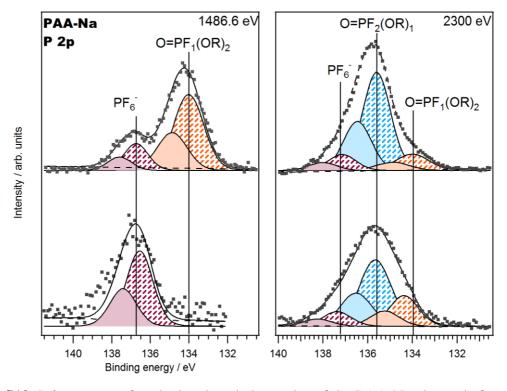
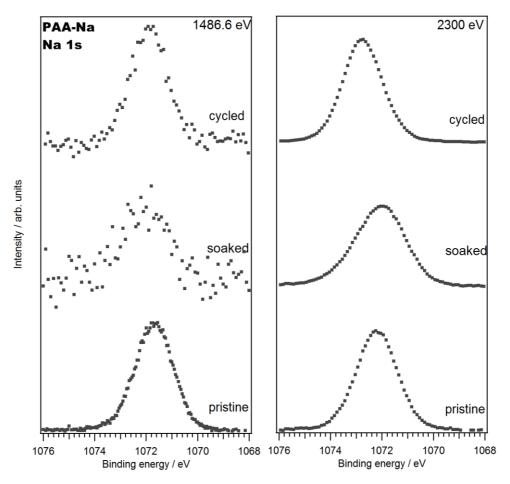
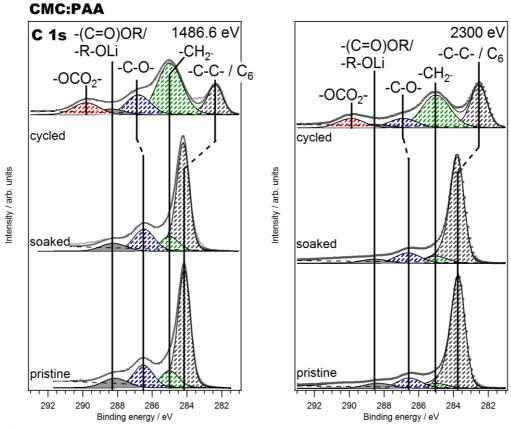


Figure S12. P 2p spectra of soaked and cycled samples of the PAA-Na electrode formulation.

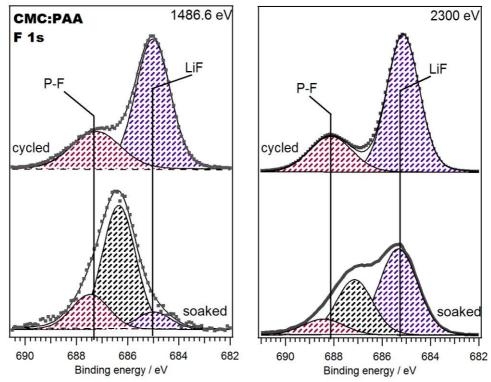


**Figure S13.** Na 1s spectra of pristine, soaked and cycled sample of the PAA-Na electrode formulation.

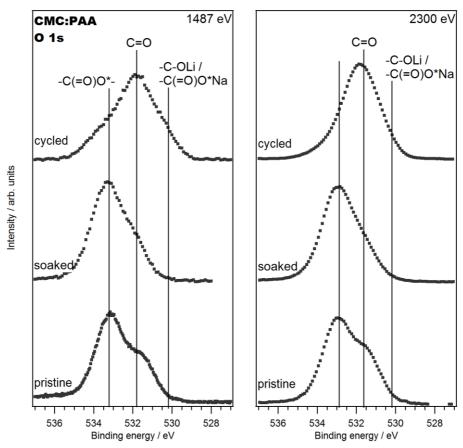
## 3.4. PES spectra of CMC:PAA electrodes



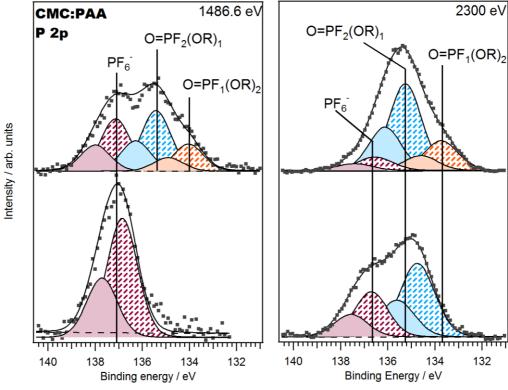
**Figure S14.** C 1s spectra of pristine, soaked and cycled samples of the CMC:PAA electrode formulation.



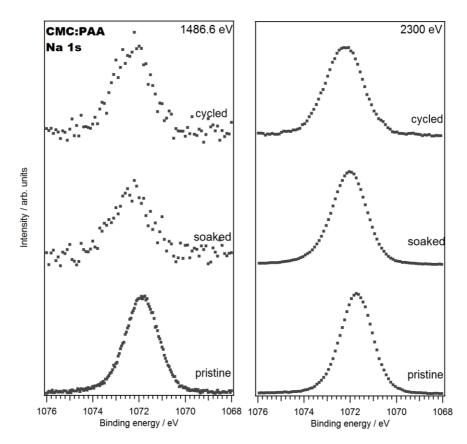
**Figure S15.** F 1s spectra of soaked and cycled samples of the CMC:PAA electrode formulation.



**Figure S16.** O 1s spectra of pristine, soaked and cycled samples of the CMC:PAA electrode formulation.

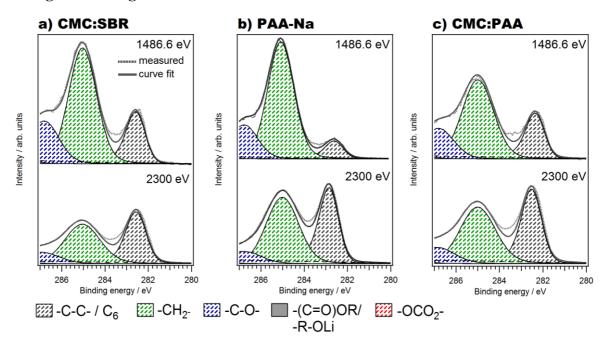


**Figure S17.** P 2p spectra of soaked and cycled samples of the CMC:PAA electrode formulation.



**Figure S18.** Na 1s spectra of pristine, soaked and cycled samples of the CMC:PAA electrode formulation.

## 3.5. Figure 4 enlarged



**Figure S19.** C 1s spectra for two different photon energies (top row: 1487 eV, bottom row: 2300 eV) of cycled electrodes containing 4 wt.% of CMC-Na:SBR (a), PAA-Na (b) and CMC-Na:PAA-Na (c), respectively. The spectra was enlarged around the hydrocarbon region.