

## Supporting Information

# One-step and template-free preparation of hierarchical porous carbons with high capacitive performance

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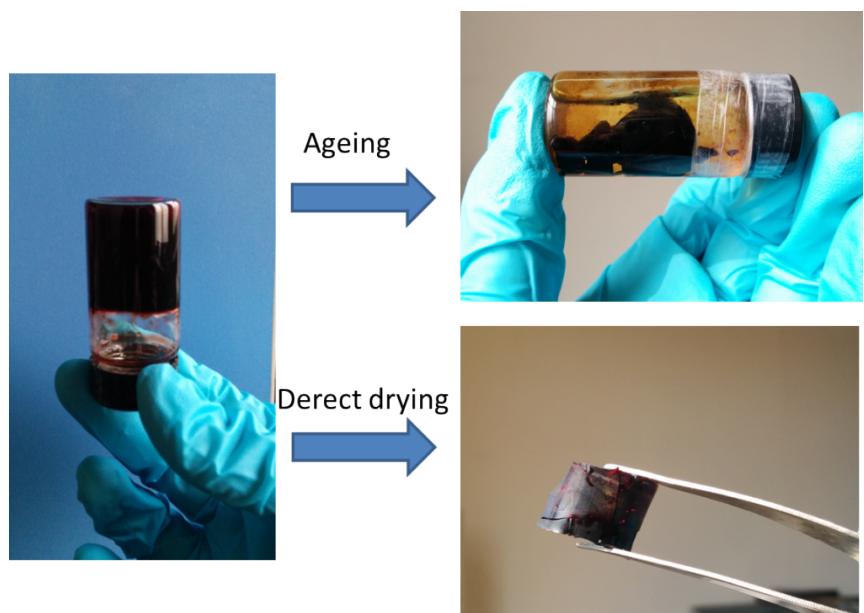
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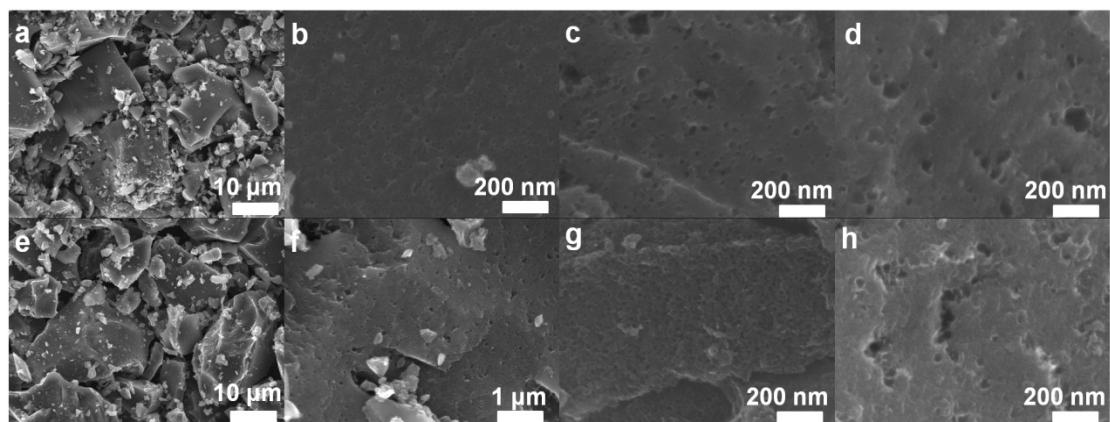
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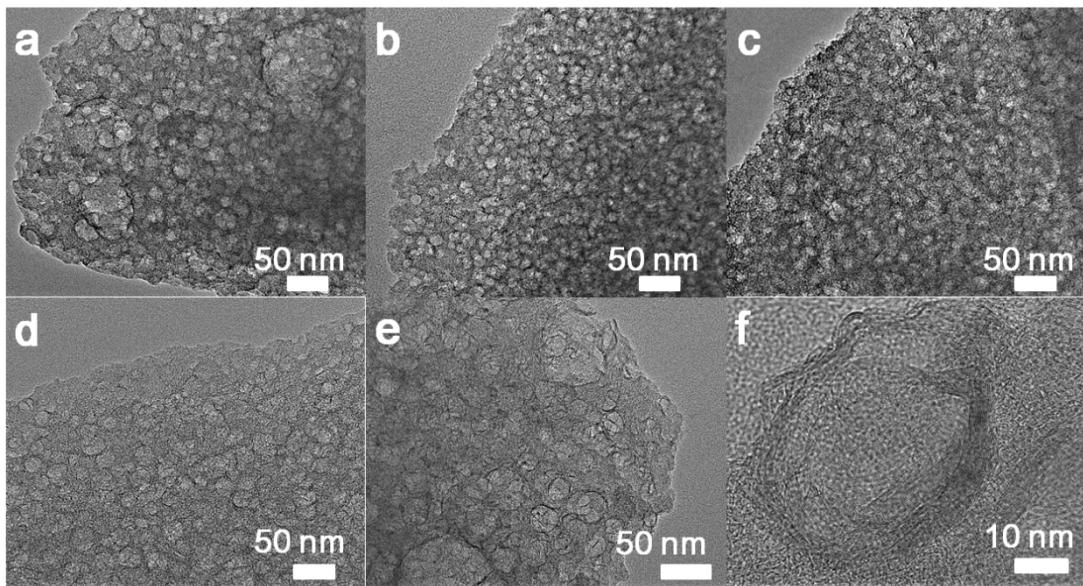
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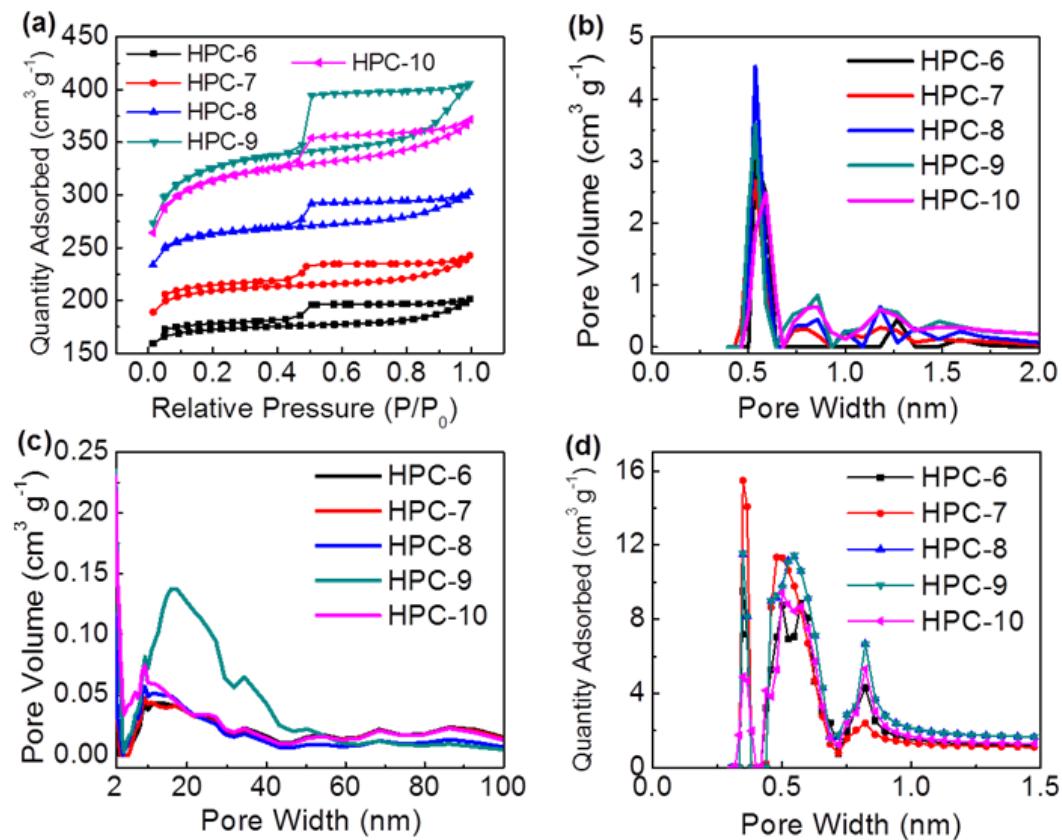
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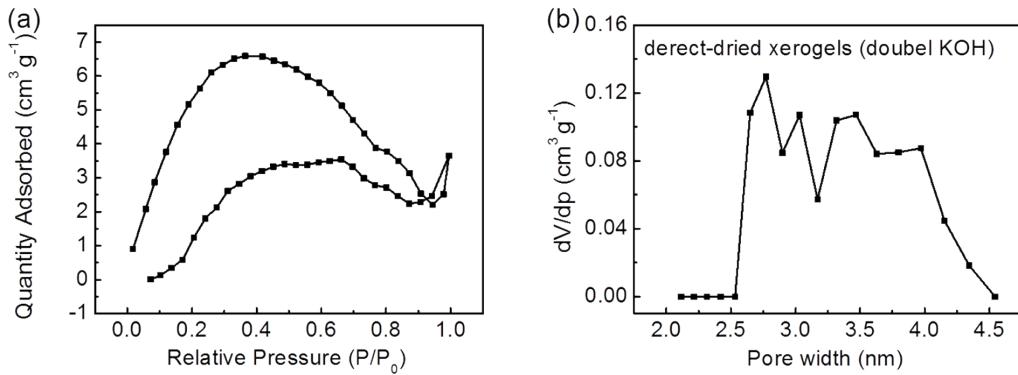
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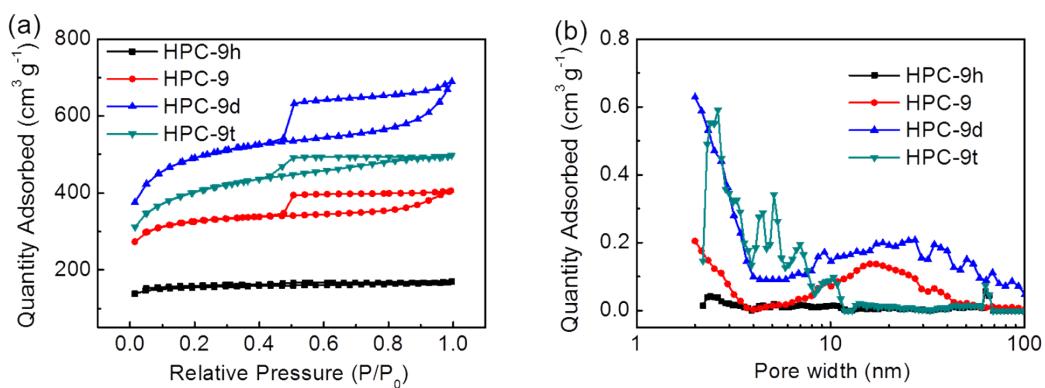
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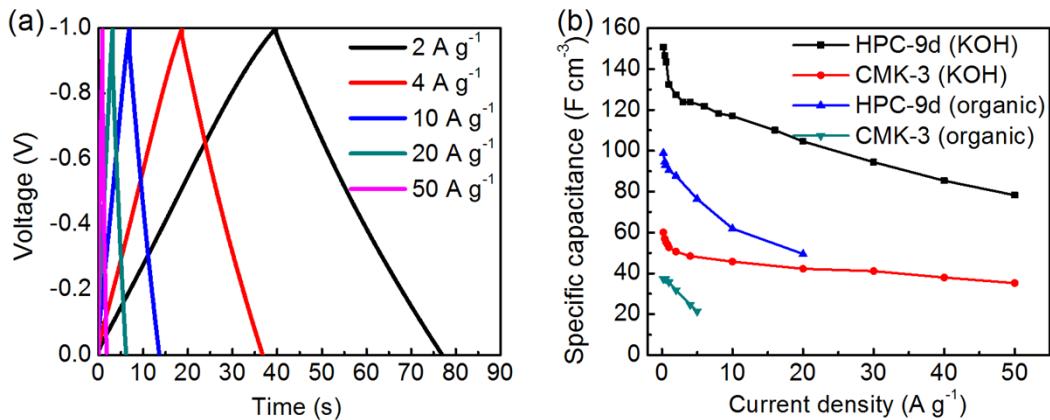
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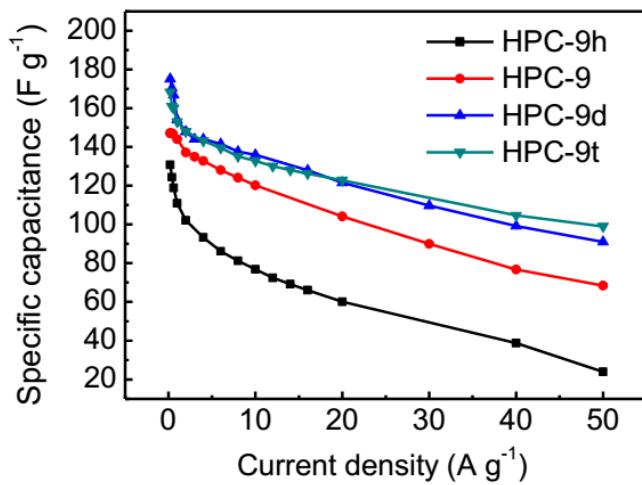
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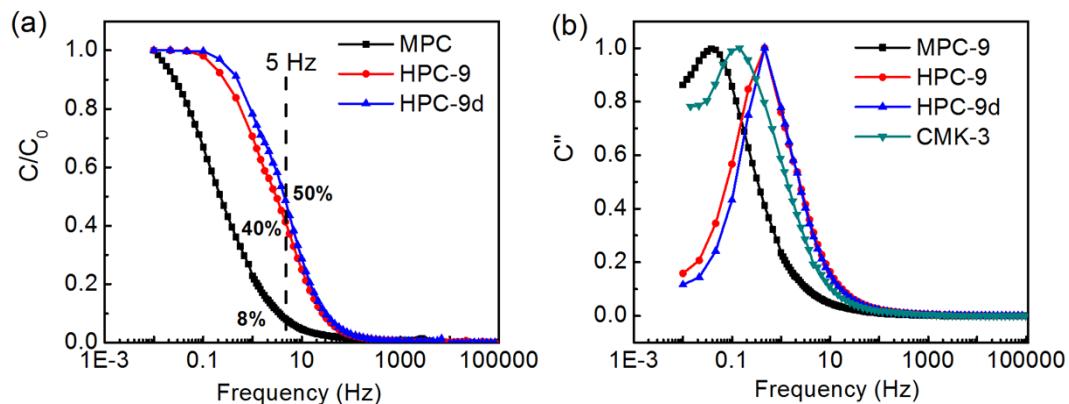
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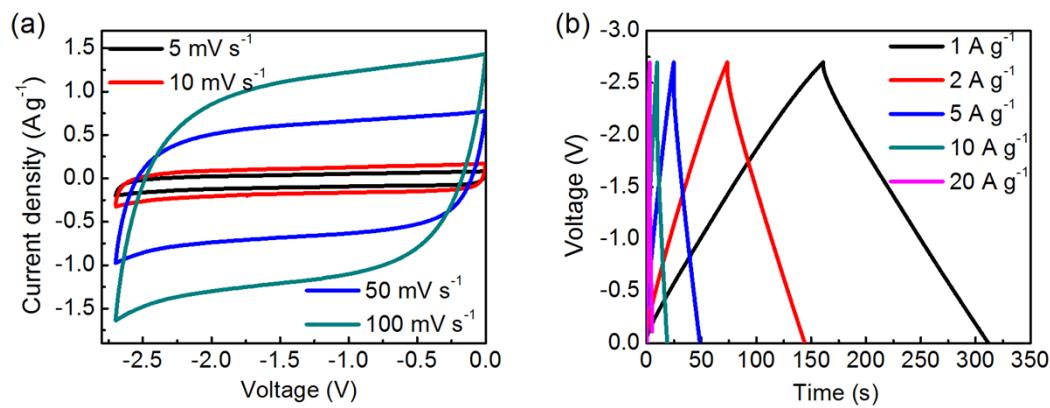
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Sample	$S_{\text{BET}}$ ( $\text{m}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$ )	$V_T$ ( $\text{cm}^3 \text{ g}^{-1}$ )	$V_{\text{meso}}$ ( $\text{cm}^3 \text{ g}^{-1}$ )	$V_{\text{micro}}$ ( $\text{cm}^3 \text{ g}^{-1}$ )
HPC-9h	473	0.26	0.04	0.22
HPC-9	1007	0.62	0.16	0.46
HPC-9d	1549	0.81	0.17	0.61
HPC-9t	1387	0.77	0.29	0.48

**Table S2** Values of  $I_D/I_G$  for the prepared carbon materials in this work

Sample	HPC-6	HPC-7	HPC-8	HPC-9	HPC-10	HPC-9d	MPC-9
$I_D/I_G$	0.80	0.82	0.84	0.85	0.85	0.86	0.83

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Samples	$C_{\text{KOH}}$ ( $\text{F g}^{-1}$ )	$C_{\text{Organic}}$ ( $\text{F g}^{-1}$ )	$\tau$
MPC-9	174.4	1.9	3.95
HPC-9	147.2	38.0	0.36
HPC-9d	175.2	115.0	0.33
CMK-3	126.6	78.6	1.17