Facile hydrothermal synthesis of tubular kapok fiber/MnO₂ hybrid composites and application in supercapacitors

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Fig.S1 FTIR spectra of TKF/MnO₂-1, TKF/MnO₂-2, TKF/MnO₂-3 and TKF/MnO₂-4 composites



Fig.S2 XRD spectra of TKF/MnO₂-1, TKF/MnO₂-2, TKF/MnO₂-3 and TKF/MnO₂-4 composites



Fig.S3 FTIR spectra of TKF/MnO_2-5, TKF/MnO_2-6, TKF/MnO_2-7, TKF/MnO_2-2 and

TKF/MnO₂-8 composites



Fig.S4 XRD spectra of TKF/MnO₂-5, TKF/MnO₂-6, TKF/MnO₂-7, TKF/MnO₂-2 and

TKF/MnO₂-8 composites



Fig.S5 FTIR spectra of TKF-100, TKF-120, TKF -140, and TKF-160



Fig.S6 Digital photos of the hydrothermally treated TKF and TKF/MnO₂ composites prepared at different hydrothermal temperature: (a) TKF-160, (b) TKF/MnO₂-11, (c) TKF-140, (d) TKF/MnO₂-6 (e) TKF -120, (f) TKF/MnO₂-10, (g) TKF-100, and (h) TKF/MnO₂-9



Fig.S7 FTIR spectra of TKF/MnO₂-6, TKF/MnO₂-9, TKF/MnO₂-10 and TKF/MnO₂-11



Fig.S8 XRD spectra of TKF/MnO₂-6, TKF/MnO₂-9, TKF/MnO₂-10 and TKF/MnO₂-11

composites



Fig.S9 SEM images of TKF/MnO₂-11



Fig.S10 (a-d) Element mapping images of TKF/MnO₂-5 (e) EDX pattern of

TKF/MnO₂-5, the inset shows the atomic ratio of Mn, O and C



Fig.S11 (a-d) Element mapping images of TKF/MnO₂-7 (e) EDX pattern of

TKF/MnO₂-7, the inset shows the atomic ratio of Mn, O and C



Fig.S12 (a) N₂ adsorption/desorption isotherms and (b) BJH pore size distribution of TKF/MnO₂-

2, $5 \sim 11$ composites



Fig.S13 (a) CV curves at different scan rates, (b) GCD curves at different current density for the TKF/MnO₂-2 composite in 1 M Na₂SO₄ electrolyte



Fig.S14 (a) CV curves at different scan rates, (b) GCD curves at different current density for the TKF/MnO₂-5 composite in 1 M Na₂SO₄ electrolyte



Fig.S15 (a) CV curves at different scan rates, (b) GCD curves at different current density for the TKF/MnO₂-7 composite in 1 M Na₂SO₄ electrolyte



Fig.S16 (a) CV curves at different scan rates, (b) GCD curves at different current density for the TKF/MnO₂-8 composite in 1 M Na₂SO₄ electrolyte



Fig.S17 (a) CV curves at different scan rates, (b) GCD curves at different current density for the TKF/MnO₂-9 composite in 1 M Na₂SO₄ electrolyte



Fig.S18 (a) CV curves at different scan rates, (b) GCD curves at different current density for the TKF/MnO₂-10 composite in 1 M Na₂SO₄ electrolyte



Fig.S19 (a) CV curves at different scan rates, (b) GCD curves at different current density for the TKF/MnO₂-11 composite in 1 M Na₂SO₄ electrolyte

Sample	$^{a}S_{BET}(\mathrm{m}^{2}/\mathrm{g})$	${}^{b}S_{ext}$ (m ² /g)	$^{c}V_{tot}(\mathrm{cm}^{3}/\mathrm{g})$
TKF	0.8875	-	0.0012
TKF/MnO ₂ -5	65.97	107.37	0.0941
TKF/MnO ₂ -6	222.41	261.93	0.4962
TKF/MnO ₂ -7	20.66	24.19	0.0520
TKF/MnO ₂ -2	18.19	34.51	0.0431
TKF/MnO ₂ -8	12.30	15.15	0.0335
TKF/MnO ₂ -9	6.63	9.32	0.0143
TKF/MnO ₂ -10	23.25	25.67	0.0681
TKF/MnO ₂ -11	39.15	47.00	0.0057

Table S1. N2 adsorption/desorption analyses of TKF and TKF/MnO2 composites

^{*a*} BET (Brunauer-Emmett-Teller) surface area, ^{*b*} External surface area, calculated using *t*-plot method, ^{*c*} Total pore volume, measured at $P/P_0 = 0.975$

Table S2 Comparison of capacitive performance of the supercapacitors based on various Natural

Sample	C _{max}	Ref
Cotton fiber/SWNT-MnO ₂	210 F g ⁻¹	[1]
Carbon fiber/MnO ₂	0.41 F cm ⁻² ,	[2]
Carbon fiber/MnO ₂	110 F g ⁻¹	[3]
Textile fiber/graphene/MnO ₂	315 F g ⁻¹	[4]
Polyester fibers/CNT/MnO ₂	2.8 F cm ⁻²	[5]
Carbon/MnO ₂	190 F g ⁻¹	[6]
Cotton fiber/ SWNT	70 F g ⁻¹	[7]
Activated carbon textile/MnO ₂	70 F g ⁻¹	[8]
Cotton lawn	83 F g ⁻¹	[9]
Cotton-based carbon fibers	355 F g ⁻¹	[10]
Cotton fiber/PPy/LGS	304 F g ⁻¹	[11]
Bacterial cellulose/PANI	273 F g ⁻¹	[12]
Cellulose Fiber/CNT/MnO ₂ /CNT	290 F g ⁻¹	[13]
Cotton fiber/PPy	268 F g ⁻¹	[14]
Cellulose fiber/PANI/silver	176 mF/cm ²	[15]
Cellulose fiber/reduced graphene oxide/carbon nanotube	252 F g ⁻¹	[16]
PPy-MnO ₂ -CNT-cotton	38.6 mF cm ⁻² (two electrode)	[17]
PPy/cotton fiber	52 F g ⁻¹	[18]
PPy/bacterial cellulose	459.5 F g ⁻¹ .	[19]
Au/PPy cotton fabric	254.9 F g ⁻¹	[20]
Kapok fiber/MnO ₂	117 F g ⁻¹	This work

fiber composites presented in literature and the present work.

C_{max}, maximum specific capacitance

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