

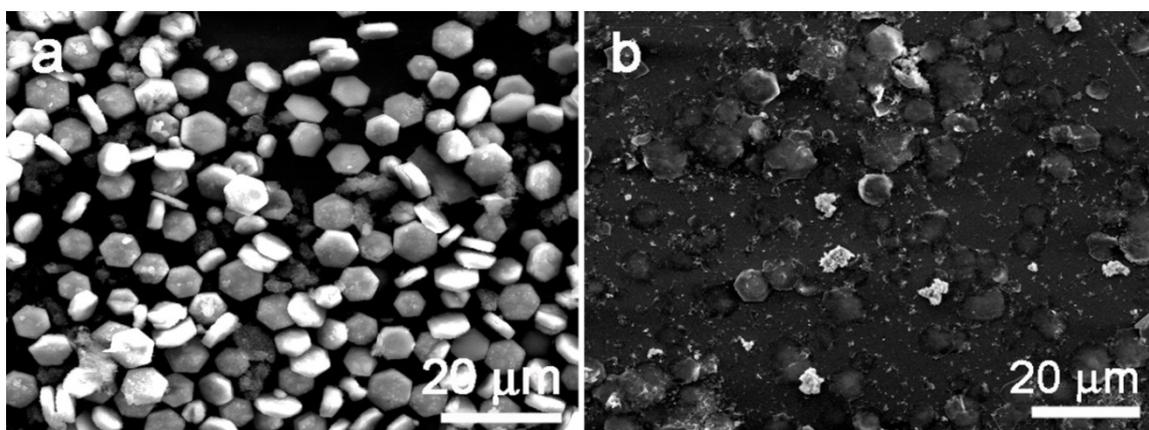
## Supporting Information

### Layer-stacked cobalt ferrite (CoFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>) mesoporous platelets for high-performance lithium ion battery anodes

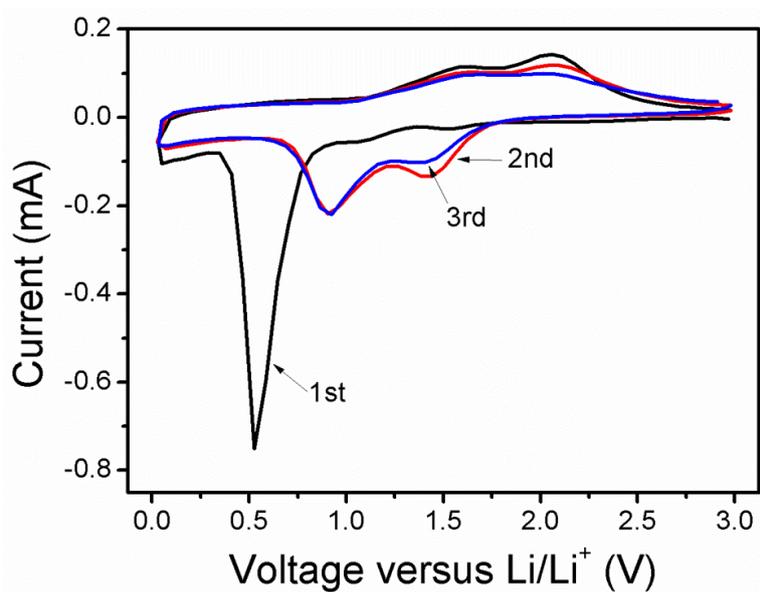
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**Table S1.** Summary of the electrochemical performances of previous works on CoFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>-based anodes and our work.

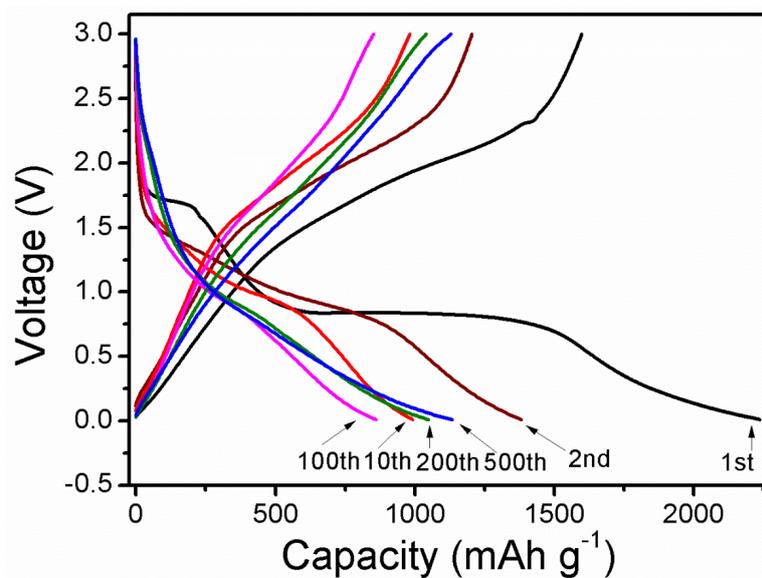
Paper cited	Structure and composition	Electrochemical performance
J. Power Sources (2014) 260: 205-210	CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> in carbon nanofibres	705 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 0.1 C for 250 cycles
Nano. Research (2014) 7: 1116-1127	CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> porous ball-in-ball hollow spheres	895 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 0.1C for 70 cycles
J. Power Sources (2014) 256: 153-159	CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> flower-like microspheres	733.5 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 0.2 C for 50 cycles
J. Phys. Chem. C (2014) 118: 11234-11243	Co <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> Nanocomposite	896.4 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 0.07 C for 60 cycles, 328.1 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 6.6 C
J. Power Sources (2014) 247: 163-169	CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> nanorods	800 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 1C for 300 cycles
Carbon (2013) 65: 112-123	CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /CNT composite	910 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at ~0.15 C for 50 cycles
Part. Part. Syst. Charact. (2013) 30: 893-904	CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /N doped Graphene	800 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 0.1 C for 240 cycles
J. Mater. Chem. A (2013) 1: 7444-7450	Mesoporous CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> nanospheres/CNT	1045.6 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> at 0.2 C for 100 cycles
Nanotechnology (2012) 23: 055402	Hollow CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> nanospheres	1266 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> at 0.1 C for 50 cycles
J. Mater. Chem. (2012) 22: 19738	CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /graphene sandwich	1047 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 0.2 C for 160 cycles
Chem. Commun. (2012) 48: 410-412	CoO/CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> nanocomposites	603 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 1 C for 100 cycles
J. Power Sources (2007) 172: 379-387	CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> nanoparticles from sol-gel method	739 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> at 1 C for 75 cycles
Nanoscale (2014) 6: 15168-15174	Hollow porous CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> nanocubes	1115 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> at 1C after 200 cycles
<b>Our work</b>	<b>CoFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> mesoporous platelets</b>	<b>1720 mAh g<sup>-1</sup> at ~1 C for 500 cycles, 580 mAh g<sup>-1</sup> at ~5 C for 2000 cycle</b>



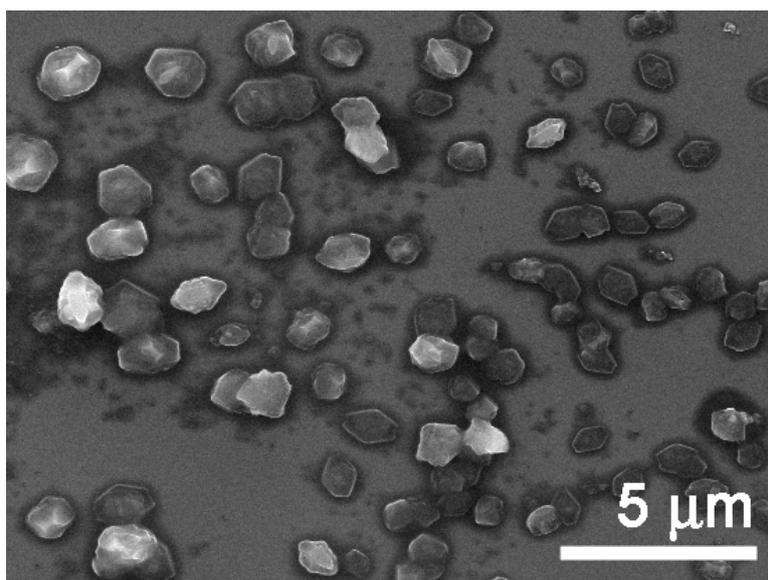
**Fig. S1** Low magnification SEM images of (a) thick and (b) thin  $\text{Co}_x\text{Fe}_{1-x}(\text{OH})_2$  sheets. The images were obtained by dispersing the sheets in ethanol and dropping the suspension onto silicon wafer.



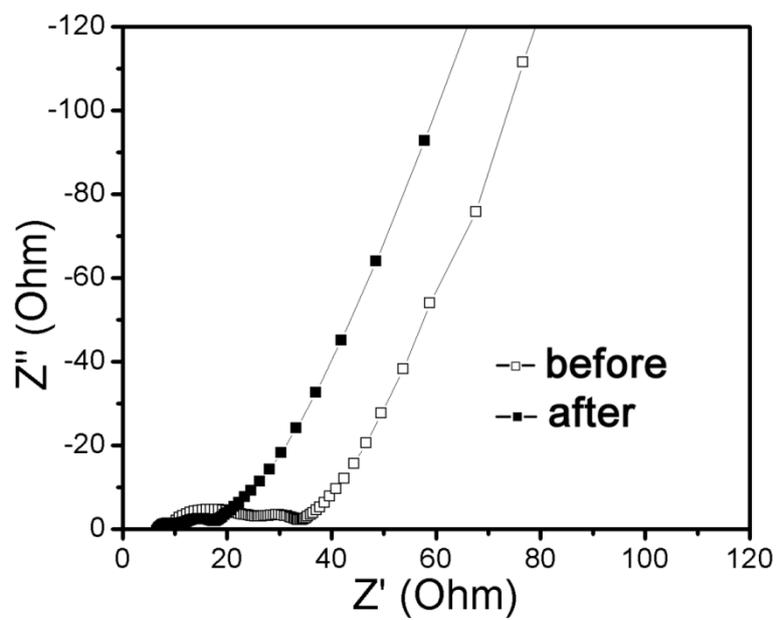
**Fig. S2** CV curves of the cell with thin  $\text{CoFe}_2\text{O}_4$  platelets.



**Fig. S3** Galvanostatic charge-discharge curves for the cell with thin  $\text{CoFe}_2\text{O}_4$  platelets.



**Fig. S4** The SEM morphology of the thin  $\text{CoFe}_2\text{O}_4$  platelets after 2000 cycles at  $5 \text{ A g}^{-1}$ . The images are obtained by dispersing the platelets in ethanol and dropping the suspension onto silicon wafer.



**Fig. S5** EIS intercepts of the cell with thin CoFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> platelets before and after 2000 cycles at 5 A g<sup>-1</sup>.