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## Electropolymerized Polyaniline/Manganese Iron Oxide Hybrids with Enhanced

## Color Switching Response and Electrochemical Energy Storage

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Fig. S1 Electropolymerization synthesis of PANI onto (A) bare and (B)  $MnFe_2O_4$  coated ITO glasses at a scan rate of 50 mV/s in 0.5 M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> aqueous solution containing 0.1 M aniline.



Fig. S2 CV curves (left) and corresponding scan rate dependent areal capacitance (right) of (a) pristine PANI film and (b) PANI/MnFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> nanocomposites film at different scan rates under a potential range from -0.2 to 0.8 V in 1.0 M  $H_2SO_4$  aqueous solution.



**Fig. S3** Galvanostatic charge-discharge curves (on the left) and corresponding current density dependent areal capacitance (on the right) of **(a)** pristine PANI film and **(b)** PANI/MnFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> nanocomposites film in  $1.0 \text{ M H}_2$ SO<sub>4</sub> aqueous solution.



**Fig. S4** Cycling stability of (a) pristine PANI and (b) PANI/MnFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> nanocomposites electrodes at 0.08 mA/cm<sup>2</sup> for 800 cycles.



Fig. S5 The Warburg factor  $\sigma$  of (a) pristine PANI and (b) PANI/Mn<sub>2</sub>FeO<sub>4</sub> nanocomposites films conducted in 0.5, 1.0 and 2.0 M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> aqueous solution.



Fig. S6 The Warburg factor  $\sigma$  of (a) pristine PANI and (b) PANI/Mn<sub>2</sub>FeO<sub>4</sub> nanocomposites films conducted in 2, 22 and 50 °C H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> aqueous solution.

The anion diffusion coefficient can be calculated from Equation S(1):

$$D = R^2 T^2 / (2A^2 n^4 F^4 C^2 \sigma^2)$$
 S(1)

where *D* is the diffusion coefficient of the HSO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> anions, *R* is the gas constant (8.314), *T* is the absolute temperature, A is the surface area of the electrode (4 cm<sup>2</sup>), n is the number of electrons per molecule during the oxidization (n is 2), F is the Faraday constant (96485 sA/mol), C is the concentration of ions (mol/cm<sup>3</sup>),  $\sigma$  is the Warburg factor which can be obtained from the slopes in the low frequency region (<1 Hz) of EIS (Figure S5&6).



Fig. S7 The first 6 and 3 CVs of the pristine PANI and PANI/MnFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> nanocomposites films at 50  $^{\circ}$ C.