Supplementary Information

Si Nanoparticles-Nested Inverse-Opal Carbon Supports for Highly Stable Lithium-Ion Battery Anodes

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Figure S1. SEM images of IOC particles. We investigated the size of more than 20 particulate IOCs. The average size of IOCs was in the range of $15 - 60 \mu m$.



Figure S2. (above) TEM images of Si NPs. (below) Size distribution information of Si NPs.



Figure S3. A low magnification SEM image of the cross-section of Si NPs/IOC particle and its elemental mapping images of C and Si. (scale bar: $5 \mu m$)



Figure S4. Voltage profiles of the Si NPs electrode for the first two cycles



Figure S5. SEM images of 40wt% Si NPs/IOC after 50 cycles (scale bar: 1 µm)