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Supplementary Information

**Co₃O₄ nanocrystals derived from zeolitic imidazolate framework on Ni foam as
high-performance supercapacitor electrode material**

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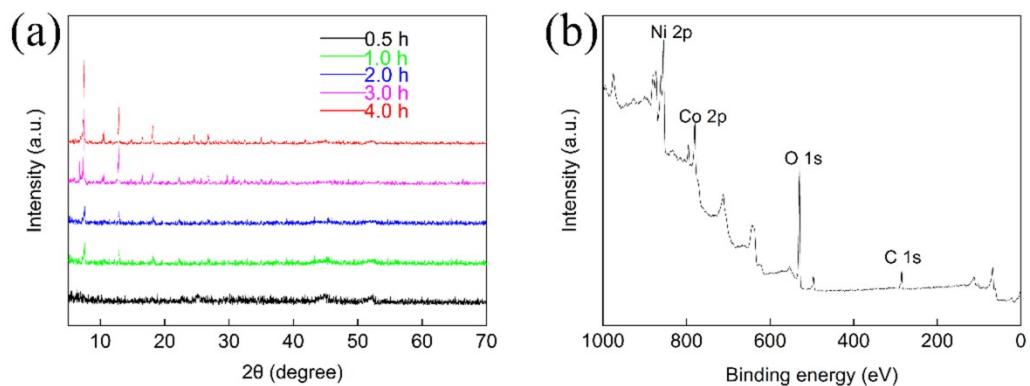


Fig. S1. (a) XRD pattern of ZIF-67 membranes prepared by one step in situ method for different synthesis times (0.5, 1, 2, and 4 h), (b) the full-survey-scan XPS spectrum of as-prepared Ni foam/Co₃O₄ electrode.

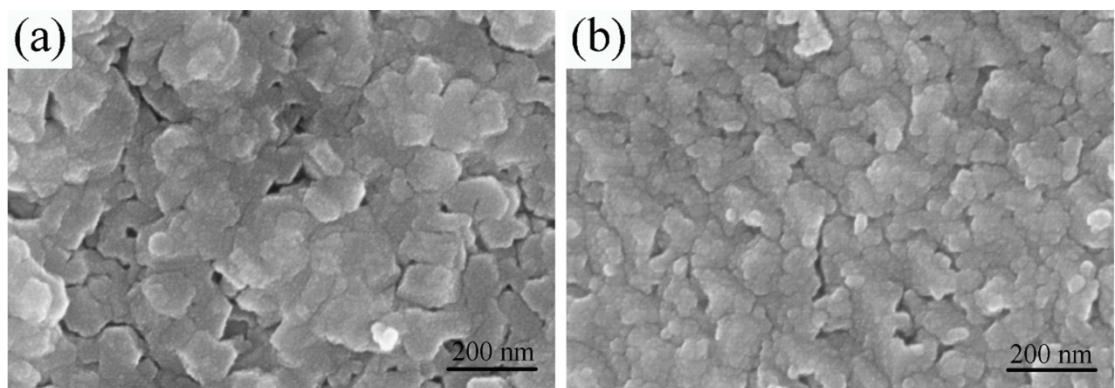


Fig. S2. High-resolution SEM images of (a) before-test Co₃O₄ nanocrystals and (b) after-test Co₃O₄ nanocrystals.

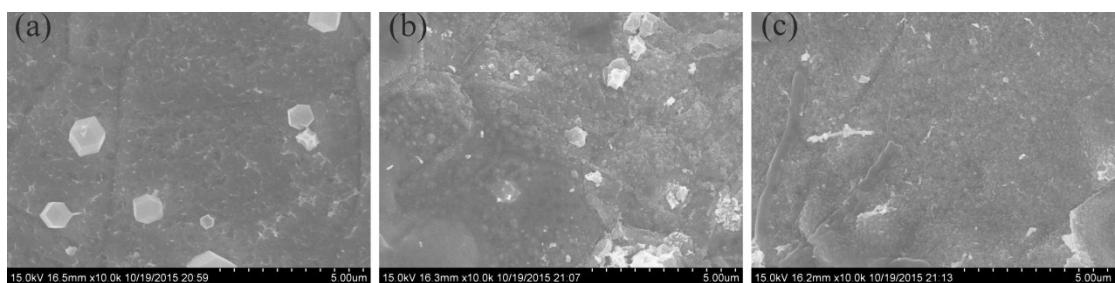


Fig. S3. Low-resolution SEM images of (a) Ni foam/ZIF-67, (b) before-test Ni foam/Co₃O₄ and (c) after-test Ni foam/Co₃O₄.

Table. S1. Summary of the representative Co_3O_4 electrode materials for supercapacitors

Typical examples	Specific capacitance	Rate performance	Ref.
Two-dimensional (2D) Co_3O_4 thin sheets	1500 F g^{-1} at 1 A g^{-1}	828 F g^{-1} at 10 A g^{-1}	¹
One-dimensional (1D) hierarchical hollow Co_3O_4 nanotubes	1006 F g^{-1} at 1 A g^{-1}	512 F g^{-1} at 10 A g^{-1}	²
Co_3O_4 nanopillar array incorporated in hierarchical porous carbon	978.9 F g^{-1} at 0.5 A g^{-1}	444.4 F g^{-1} at 10 A g^{-1}	³
Mesoporous vertical Co_3O_4 nanosheet arrays on nitrogen-doped graphene foam	451 F g^{-1} at 1 A g^{-1}	260 F g^{-1} at 20 A g^{-1}	⁴
Co_3O_4 @highly ordered macroporous carbon	1307 F g^{-1} at 1 A g^{-1}	798 F g^{-1} at 20 A g^{-1}	⁵
Multi-shelled Co_3O_4 hollow microspheres	394.4 F g^{-1} at 2 A g^{-1}	360 F g^{-1} at 10 A g^{-1}	⁶
Core-shell structured PANI- Co_3O_4 nanocomposites	1184 F g^{-1} at 1.25 A g^{-1}	735 F g^{-1} at 25 A g^{-1}	⁷
Co_3O_4 nanoflowers grown on Ni foam	1936.7 F g^{-1} at 0.2 A g^{-1}	1309.4 F g^{-1} at 3 A g^{-1}	⁸
Co_3O_4 nanocrystals derived from zeolitic imidazolate framework on Ni foam	1680 F g^{-1} at 0.5 A g^{-1}	980 F g^{-1} at 15 A g^{-1}	Present work

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