

Supplementary Information

Facile Synthesis of Porous Carbon Spheres Embedded with Metal Nanoparticles and Their Applications as Supercapacitor Electrodes

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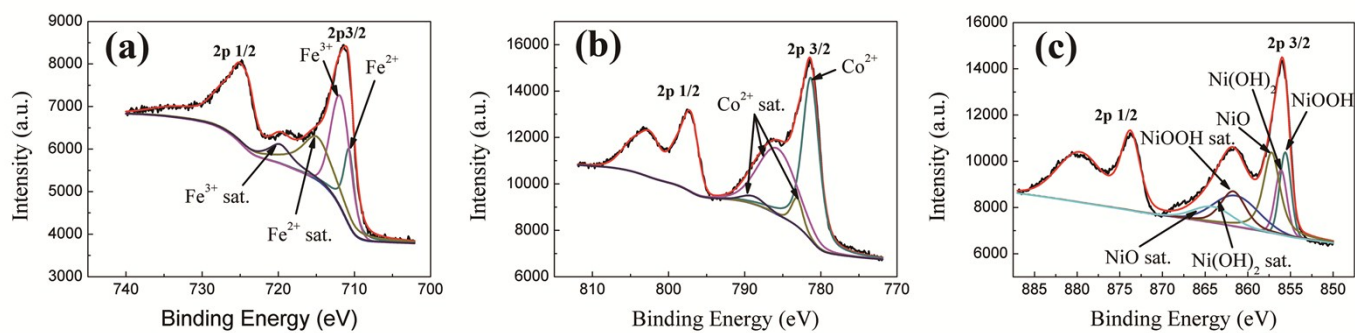


Fig. S1 XPS Spectra of (a) Fe-CCS, (b) Co-CCS and (c) Ni-CCS.

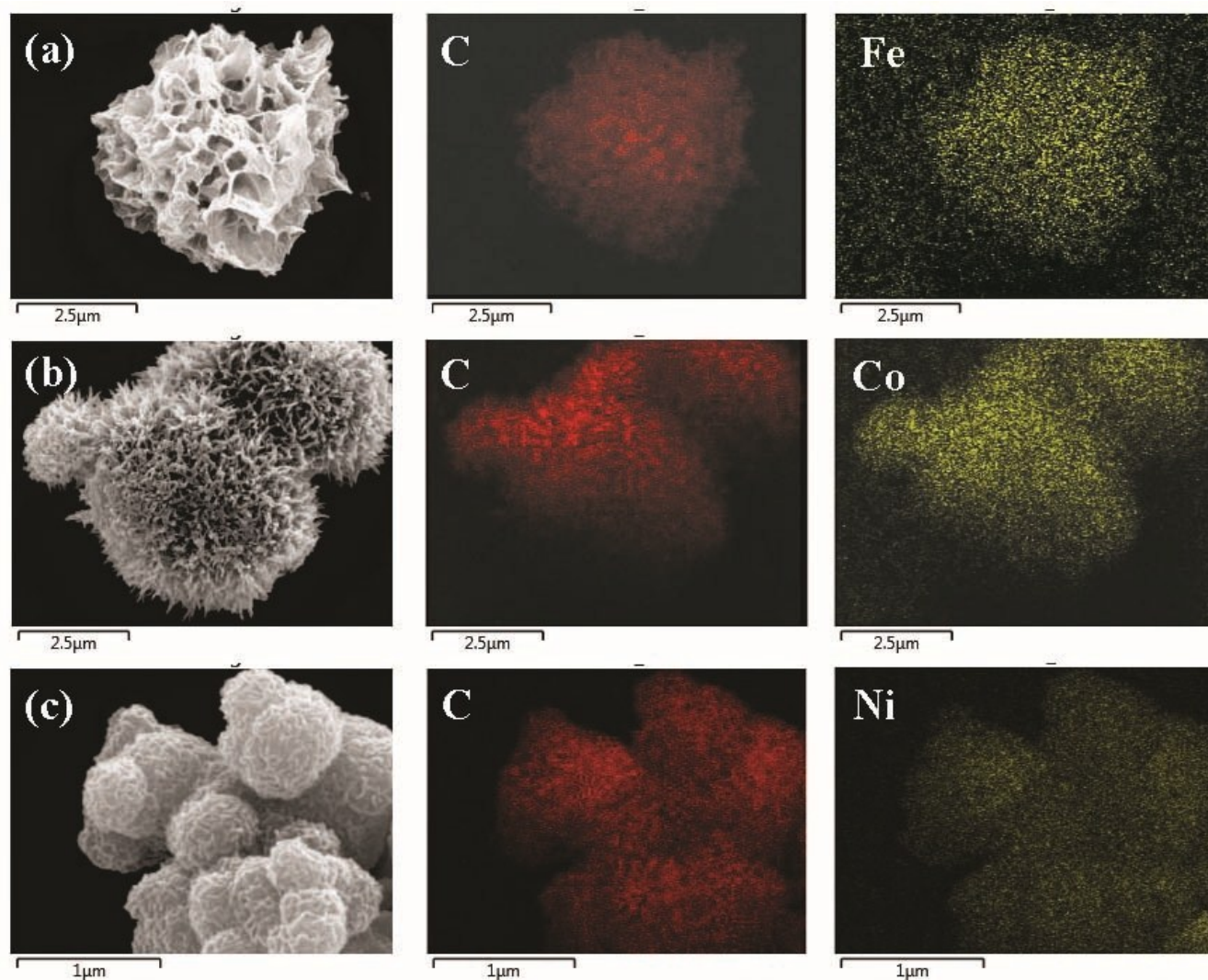


Fig. S2 EDS elemental mapping of (a) Fe-CCS, (b) Co-CCS and (c) Ni-CCS.

Table S1. Surface areas, mode pore diameters and total pore volumes of Fe-PCS, Co-PCS, and Ni-PCS.

Sample name	Surface area (m ² g ⁻¹)	Mean pore diameter (nm)	Mode pore diameter (nm)	Total pore volume (cm ³ g ⁻¹)
Fe-PCS	295.3	22.54	3.882	0.240
Co-PCS	415.8	25.36	43.15	0.245
Ni-PCS	250.9	16.22	3.724	0.137

Table S2. Atomic concentration of O and M in M-PCS before and after sputtering detected by XPS

	Fe-PCS		Co-PCS		Ni-PCS	
	Fe	O	Co	O	Ni	O
Before sputtering (%)	8.46	12.60	10.85	12.93	4.29	3.84
After sputtering (%)	15.00	7.30	29.28	14.64	8.25	1.37

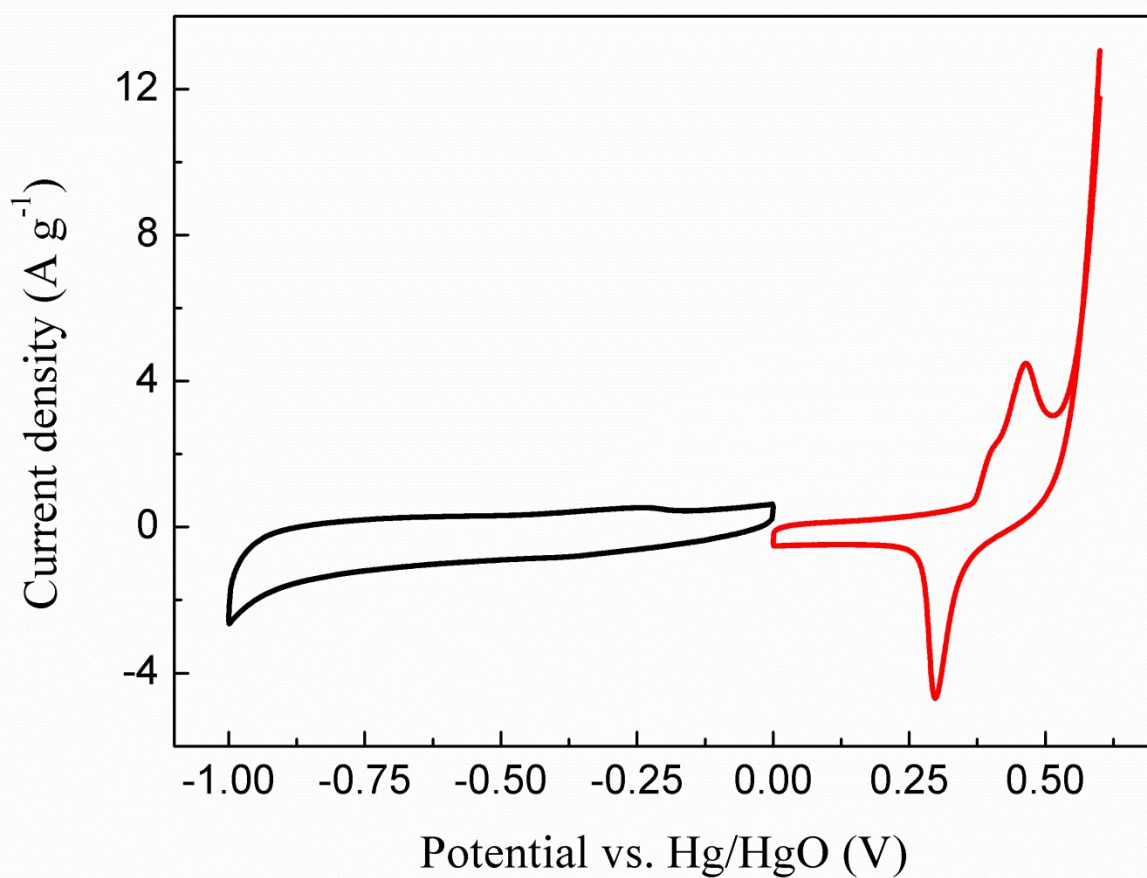


Fig S3. CV curves of Ni-PCS within -1.0-0 V and 0-0.5V tested in a three-electrode configuration with 6M KOH as electrolyte.

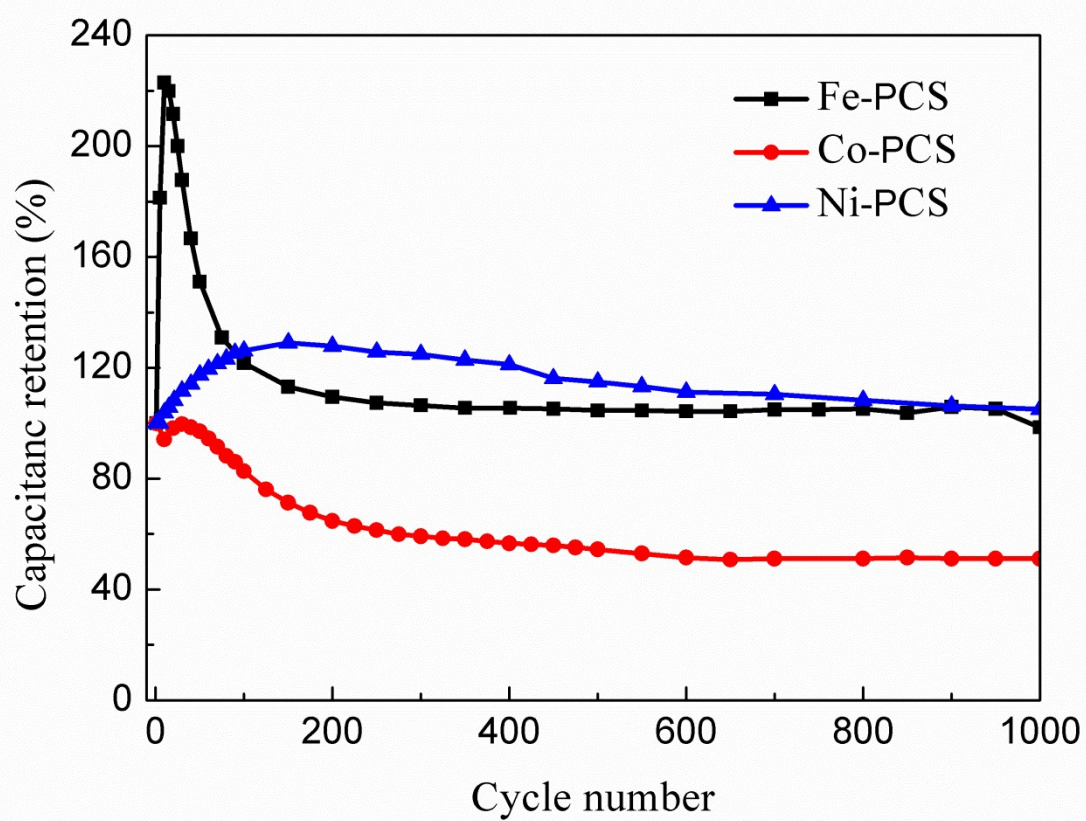


Fig S4. Cycle performance of Fe-PCS, Co-PCS and Ni-PCS at 10 A g⁻¹ for 1000 cycles.