

## Electronic Supplementary Information (SI)

### Facile fabrication of SnO<sub>2</sub>@TiO<sub>2</sub> core-shell structures as anode materials for lithium-ion batteries

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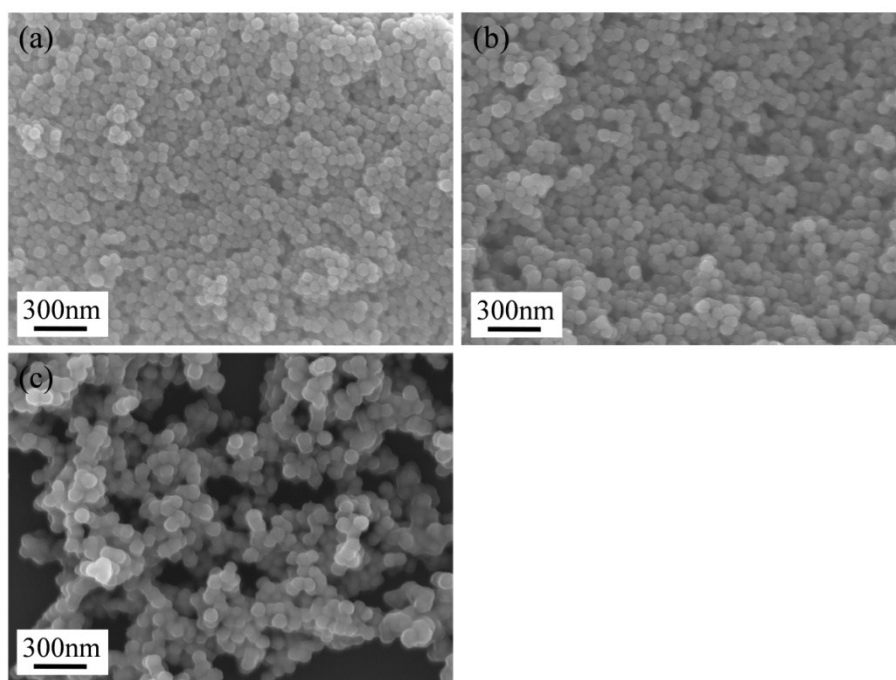


Fig. S1. SEM images of the carbon-coated  $\text{SnO}_2$  precursors precipitated in different concentration of aqueous glucose solution, (a) 0.5 M, (b) 0.8 M and (c) 1.1 M.

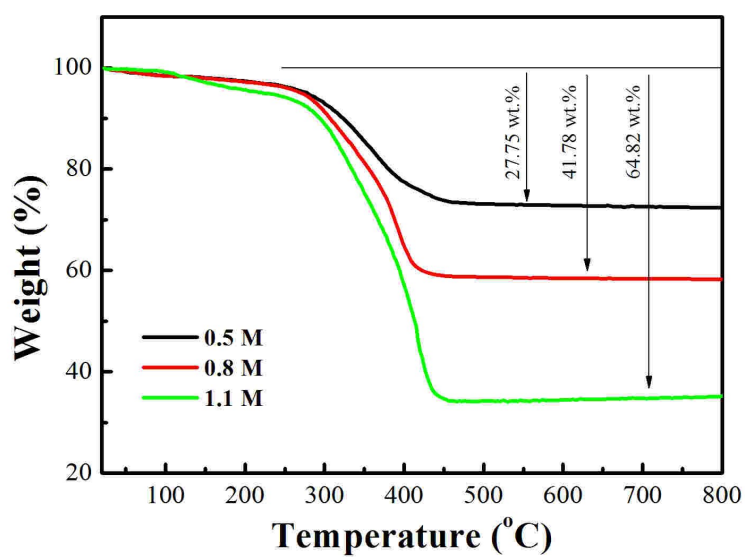


Fig. S2. TG curves of the carbon-coated  $\text{SnO}_2$  precursors.

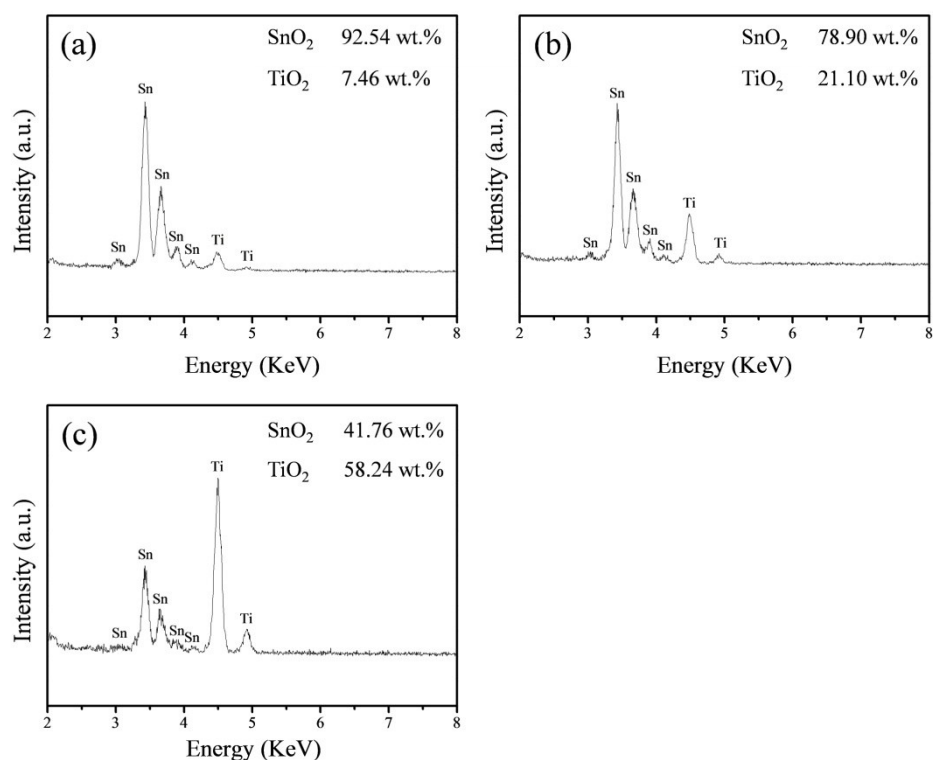


Fig. S3. EDS results of the final composites, (a)  $\text{SnO}_2@ \text{TiO}_2\text{-}0.5$  composite, (b)  $\text{SnO}_2@ \text{TiO}_2\text{-}0.8$  composite and (c)  $\text{SnO}_2@ \text{TiO}_2\text{-}1.1$  composite.

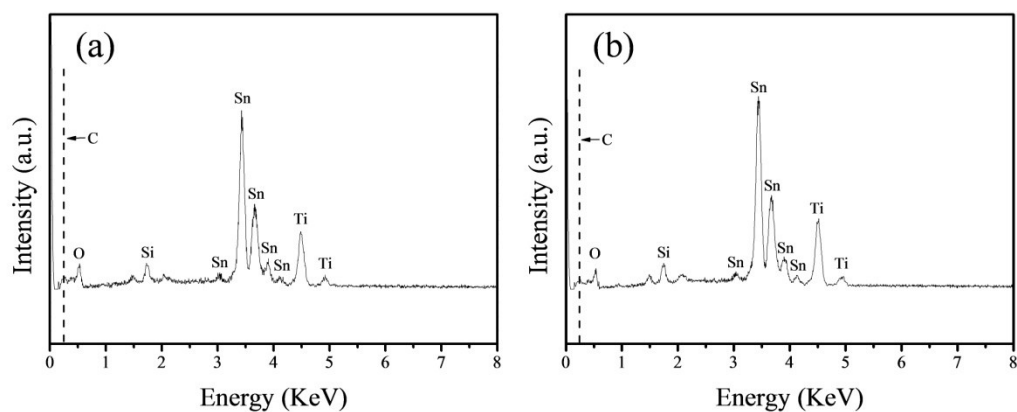


Fig. S4. Comparison of the EDS results of the  $\text{SnO}_2@ \text{TiO}_2\text{-}0.8$  composite obtained by different sintering methods, (a) calcined in Muffle oven, and (b) calcined in tube furnace in air flow.

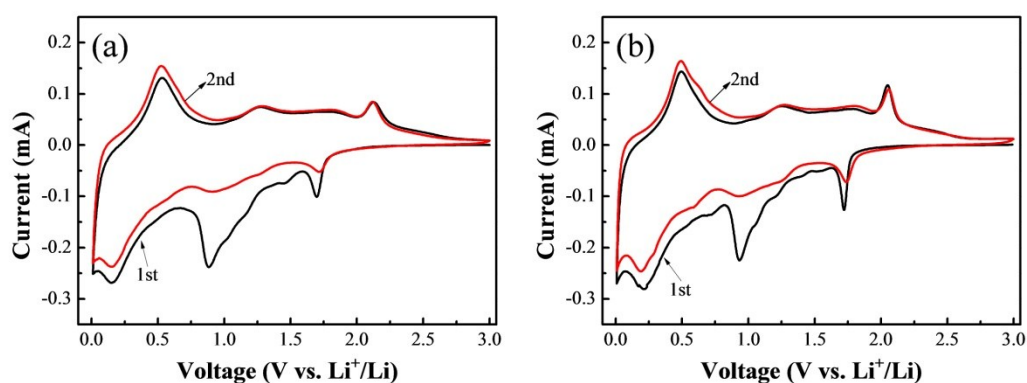


Fig. S5. Comparison of the CV results of the  $\text{SnO}_2@\text{TiO}_2\text{-0.8}$  composite obtained by different sintering methods, (a) calcined in Muffle oven, and (b) calcined in tube furnace in air flow. As shown in Fig. S5, there are no obvious differences between them, further implying the carbon is possible combusted.

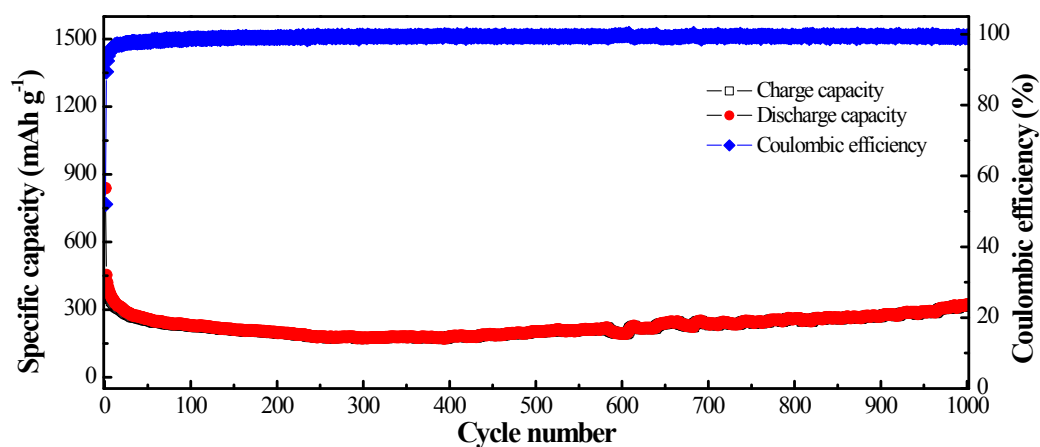


Fig. S6 Galvanostatic charge/discharge cycle performances of the  $\text{SnO}_2@\text{TiO}_2\text{-0.5}$  composite at a current density of  $1000 \text{ mA g}^{-1}$ . It shows that a discharge capacity of  $324 \text{ mAh g}^{-1}$  is delivered after 1000 cycles, lower than that of the  $\text{SnO}_2@\text{TiO}_2\text{-0.8}$  composite ( $617 \text{ mAh g}^{-1}$ ).