Supporting information

## Synthesis of porous CoMoO<sub>4</sub> nanorods as a bifunctional cathode catalyst for Li-O<sub>2</sub> battery and superior anode for Li-ion battery

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**Fig. S1** (a) XRD pattern, (b) TGA curve and SEM image of CoMoO<sub>4</sub> precursor before annealing.

TGA analysis: The first weight loss below 100 °C is due to the release of physi-/chemi-sorbed water at or within the surface while the second loss between 200 °C and 300 °C can be ascribed to be evolution of crystal water from hydrate crystal phase. The third loss, which starts from 350 °C, can be assigned to the release of water from CoMoO<sub>4</sub> phase, as the hydrate crystal structure has converted into CoMoO<sub>4</sub> phase under this temperature range.<sup>1-2</sup>



**Fig. S2** Full discharge/charge cycling performance of (a)  $CoMoO_4$  nanorods and (b) VX-72 carbon based Li-O<sub>2</sub> batteries at a current density of 0.16 mA/cm<sup>2</sup>.



**Fig. S3** SEM images of CoMoO4 electrode at (a) pristine, (b) 1st discharge, (c) first charge and (d) 4th charge states.

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