

Supporting Information for

3D interconnected $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}@\text{C}$ nanocomposite with superior sodium storage properties

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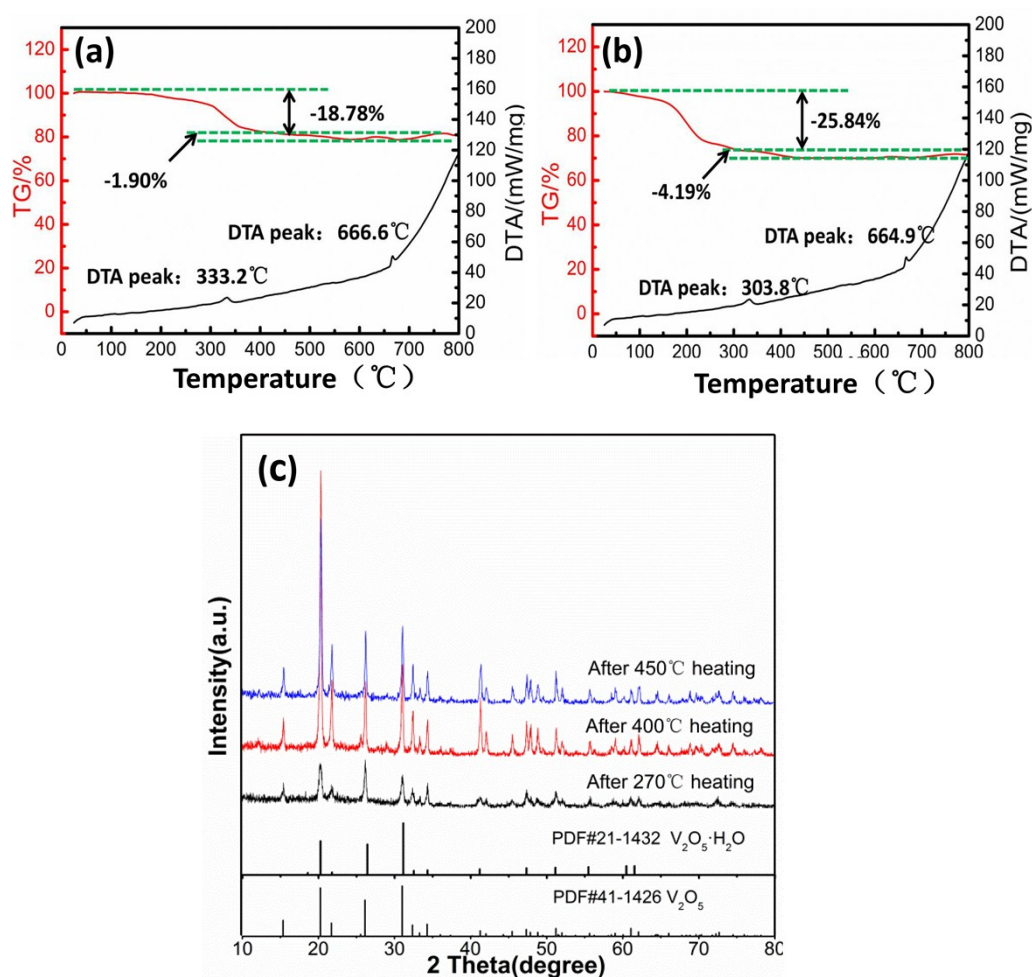


Fig.S1.DSC/TG curves of as-prepared samples: (a) $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}@\text{C}$, (b) and $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}@\text{C}$; (c) ex situ XRD tests after the thermal analysis process

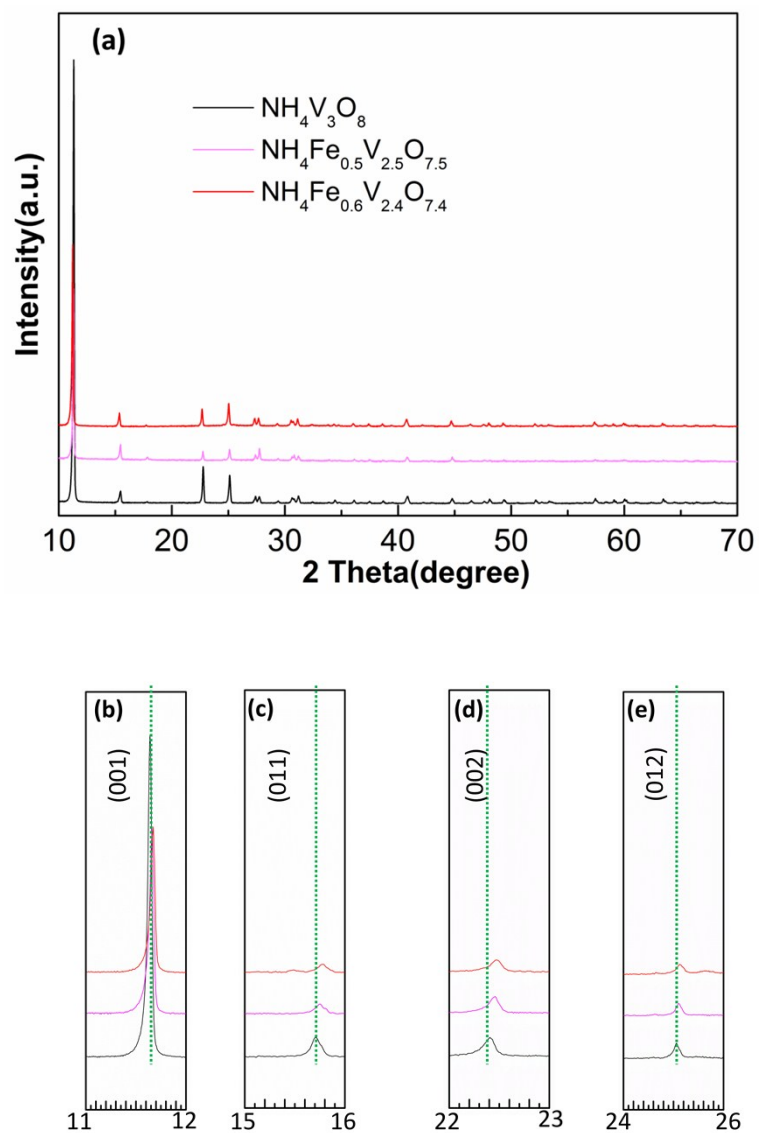


Fig.S2. (a) XRD patterns of $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_x\text{V}_{3-x}\text{O}_{8-x}$ ($x=0.0, 0.5, 0.6$); (b - e) Enlarged XRD patterns indicating the right shift of (001), (011), (002) and (012) peaks along with the content of doped Fe^{3+} increasing.

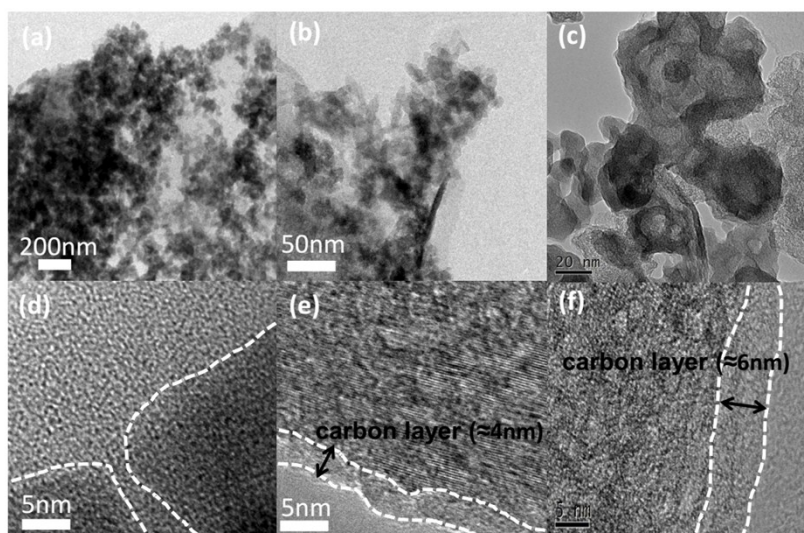


Fig.S3. TEM images and corresponding high-resolution TEM images of (a & d) $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}$, (b & e) $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}@0.5\text{wt}\%\text{C}$, (c & d) $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}@1.0\text{wt}\%\text{C}$.

Table1 Nominal and ICP-AES measured results of cation mole ratios in the products

Sample	Fe : V	
	Nominal ratio	ICP-AES result
bare $\text{NH}_4\text{V}_3\text{O}_8$	0	0
$\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{V}_{2.5}\text{O}_{7.5}$	0.2	0.1764
$\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}$	0.25	0.2226
$\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.75}\text{V}_{2.25}\text{O}_{7.25}$	0.33	0.3658
$\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}@0.5\text{wt}\%\text{C}$	0.25	0.2642
$\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}@1.0\text{wt}\%\text{C}$	0.25	0.2299

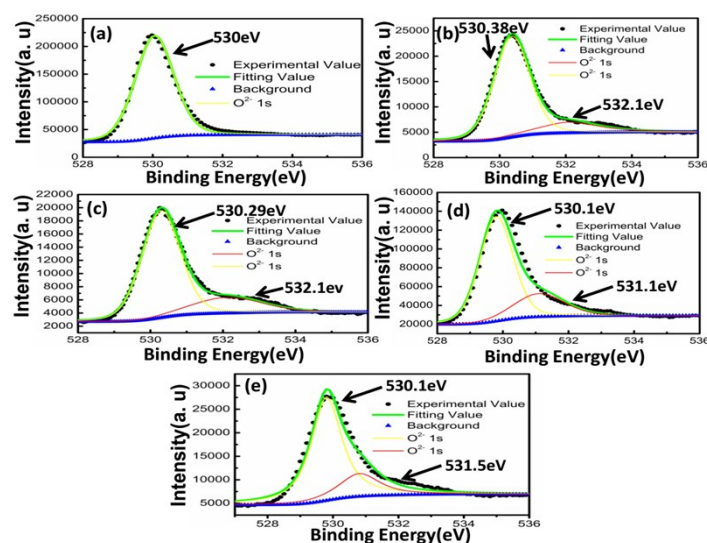


Fig.S4.X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy of (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) O1s in $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_x\text{V}_{3-x}\text{O}_{8-x}$ ($x=0, 0.5, 0.6$) and $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}@y\text{wt}\%\text{C}$ ($y=0.5, 1.0$) samples

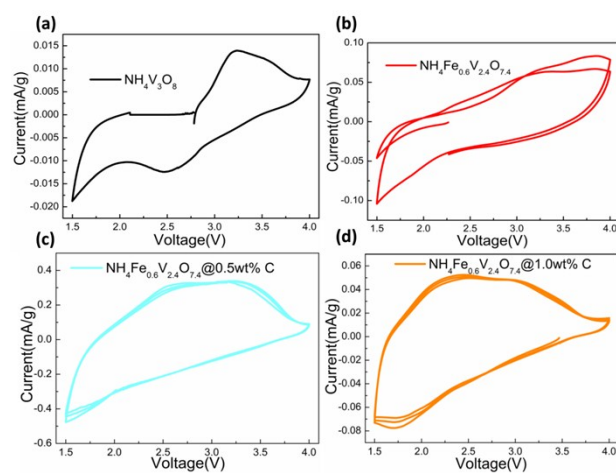


Fig.S5. CV curves of (a) bare $\text{NH}_4\text{V}_3\text{O}_8$, (b) $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}$, (c) $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}$ @0.5wt%C and (d) $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}$ @1.0wt%C samples.

Table 2

The BET surface areas (m^2/g) of (a): bare $\text{NH}_4\text{V}_3\text{O}_8$; (b) $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}$; (c) $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}$ @0.5wt%C ; (d) $\text{NH}_4\text{Fe}_{0.6}\text{V}_{2.4}\text{O}_{7.4}$ @1.0wt%C.

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
BET surface areas (m^2/g)	2.08	12.64	33.48	15.40