

Supplementary Material

**A cost-effective approach for practically viable Li-ion capacitors by
using Li_2S as an *in-situ* Li-ion source material**

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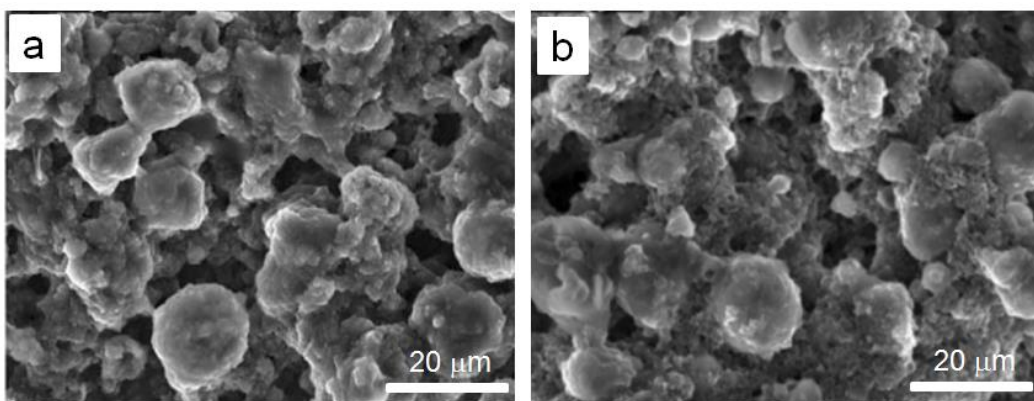


Fig. S1. SEM images of (a) activated carbon, and (b) a 8 wt.% Li_2S -loaded activated carbon.

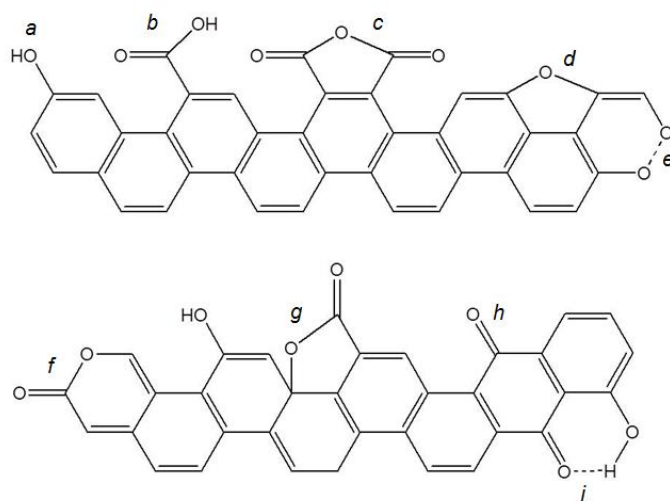


Fig. S2. Possible surface oxygen functionalities on activated carbon.¹ (a) Phenolic hydroxyl group, (b) carboxylic group, (c) carboxylic acid anhydride group, (d) ether group, (e) cyclic peroxide group, (f) normal lactone group, (g) fluorescein-type lactone group, (h) quinone-type carbonyl group, (i) phenolic/quinone group with hydrogen bonding.

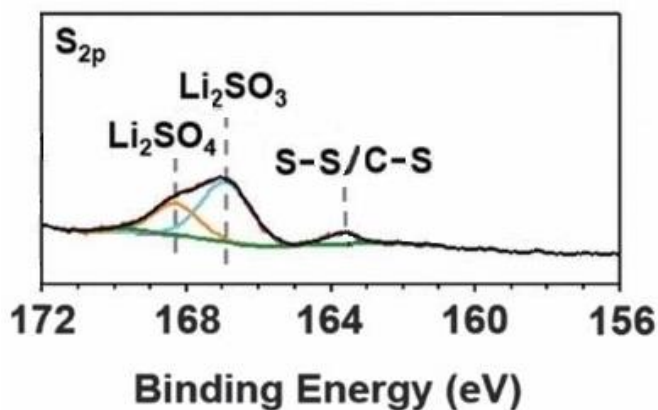


Fig. S3. S_{2p} XPS spectrum of a 8 wt.% Li₂S-loaded activated carbon electrode after initial activation by charging at 0.1 mA cm⁻² to 4.2 V vs. Li/Li⁺.

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