## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

## Tracking the Confinement Effect of Highly Dispersive Carbon in a Tungsten Oxide/Carbon Nanocomposite: Conversion Anode Materials in Lithium Ion Batteries

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Figure S1. Raman spectra of m-WO<sub>x</sub>/C.



**Figure S2**. EELS mapping images of m-WO<sub>x</sub>/C (a-d), oxygen (b), carbon (c), and tungsten (d). HR-TEM images of (e) m-WO<sub>3</sub> and (f) m-WO<sub>x</sub>/C. White dotted line indicates the crystalline tungsten oxide phase in each sample.



Figure S3. TGA data of m-WO<sub>x</sub>/C.



Figure S4. SEM images of (a, b) m-WO<sub>x</sub>/C and (c, d) m-WO<sub>3</sub> with different magnification. TEM images of (a) m-WO<sub>x</sub>/C and (b) m-WO<sub>3</sub>.



**Figure S5**. *ex-situ* XRD patterns of (a) m-WO<sub>3</sub>, (b) (200) peaks (c) (220) peaks of m-WO<sub>3</sub>, and (d) m-WO<sub>x</sub>/C.

Analysis of *ex-situ* XRD was performed at several points considering the discharge/charge graph of m-WO<sub>3</sub>. During discharge to 1.0 V, (200) and (220) peaks show similar intensities but shift to lower angle. It is due to expansion of WO<sub>3</sub> lattice by intercalation of Li<sup>+.1</sup> When discharged to 0.002 V, most of peaks are diminished and not recovered in spite of charging to 3.0 V. In relation to discharge/charge graph of m-WO<sub>3</sub> electrode, it was confirmed that conversion reaction of m-WO<sub>3</sub> occurs after plateau sloped region (0.9 to 0.002 V) and amorphous phase reacts reversibly with Li<sup>+</sup> after the first cycle.



Figure S6. Voltage profiles of m-WO<sub>x</sub>/C and m-WO<sub>3</sub> at 250 mA g<sup>-1</sup>.



Figure S7. Cyclic voltammetry of (a) m-WO<sub>3</sub> and (b) m-WO<sub>x</sub>/C.



Figure S8. EXAFS spectra of tungsten metal.



Figure S9. XANES spectra of (a) m-WO<sub>3</sub> and (b) m-WO<sub>x</sub>/C.



**Figure S10**. SAXS patterns of m-WO<sub>x</sub>/C (a) before galvanostatic charge/discharge cycle and (b) after 10 cycles.

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