

Supporting Information

P-doped NiCo₂S₄ nanotubes as battery-type electrode for supercapacitors

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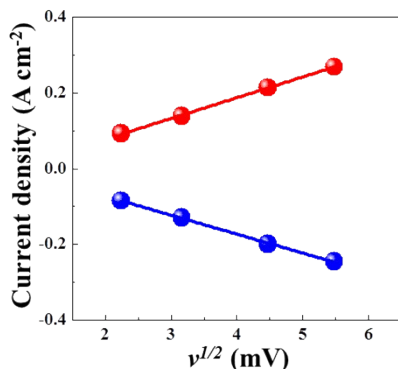


Fig. S1 The corresponding current density (i)– $v^{1/2}$ (scan rate^{1/2}) plots of P-NiCo₂S₄.

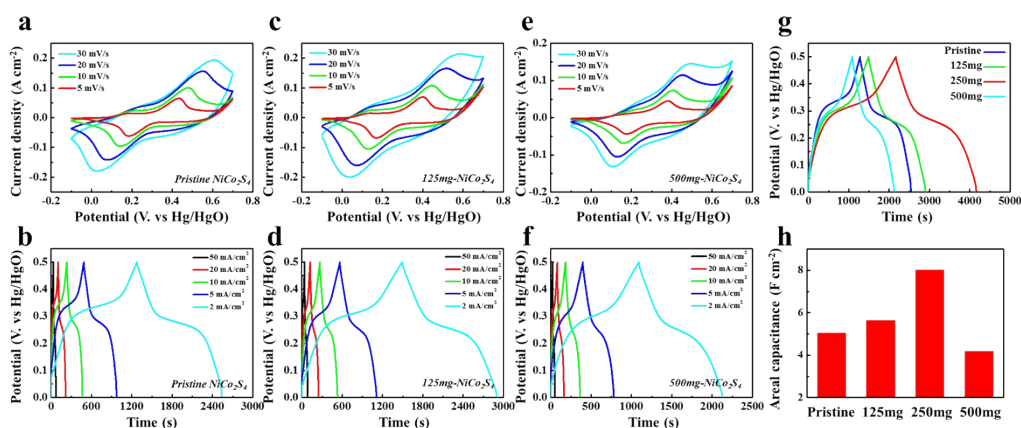


Fig. S2 CV and GCD curves of P-NiCo₂S₄ samples with different contents of NaH₂PO₂·H₂O: (a, b) 0 mg, (c, d) 125 mg and (e, f) 500 mg. (g) The GCD curves at a current density of 2 mA cm⁻² for P-NiCo₂S₄ samples with different contents of NaH₂PO₂·H₂O. (h) The areal capacitance of P-NiCo₂S₄ samples with different contents of NaH₂PO₂·H₂O at 2 mA cm⁻².

In the second step, we also conducted several experiments to optimize the content of NaH₂PO₂·H₂O. Different mass loadings of NaH₂PO₂·H₂O powder (125 mg, 250 mg and 500 mg) were used as the phosphorus source at the same conditions. The corresponding CV and GCD curves are shown in **Fig. S2a-S2f**. As shown in **Fig. S2g**, P-NiCo₂S₄ samples obtained with 250mg NaH₂PO₂·H₂O showed the longest discharge time, suggesting the largest capacitance. Further, as shown in **Fig. S2h**, it can be found that the optimal mass loading of NaH₂PO₂·H₂O powder as the phosphorus source is 250 mg.

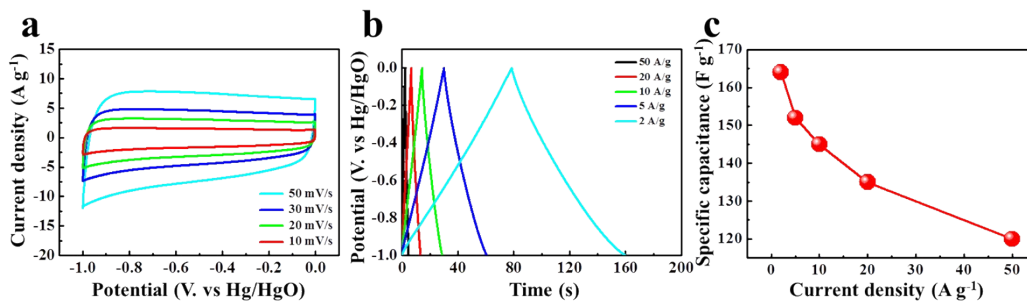


Fig. S3 (a) CV and (b) GCD curves of AC at various scan rate and (c) corresponding specific capacitance

Table S1. Comparison of the electrochemical performance of as-fabricated ASC device with those in previous reports.

| Asymmetric supercapacitor | Energy | Corresponding | Reference |
|--|-----------------------------------|--|-----------|
| | density (Wh kg ⁻¹) | Power density (W kg ⁻¹) | |
| ZnCo ₂ O ₄ @Ni _x Co _{2x} (OH) _{6x} //AC | 26.2 | 511.8 | 1 |
| CC@Co ₃ O ₄ //CC@NC | 41.5 | 6200 | 2 |
| Co(P,S) nanotubes//CC | 39 | 800 | 3 |
| Ni ₂ P//AC | 26 | 337 | 4 |
| NiCo ₂ S ₄ nanotubes//RGO | 31.5 | 156.6 | 5 |
| NiCo ₂ S ₄ @NiMoO ₄ | 29.1 | 172 | 6 |
| NiCoP nanoplates//graphene | 32.9 | 1301 | 7 |
| Ni-Co-P//AC | 22.8 | 1432 | 8 |
| nickel–cobalt phosphate//AC | 32.5 | 600 | 9 |
| P-NiCo ₂ S ₄ //AC | 42.1 | 750 | This work |

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