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## **Supporting Information**

## Ion Exchange for Synthesis of Porous Cu<sub>x</sub>O/SnO<sub>2</sub>/ZnSnO<sub>3</sub> Microboxes as High-Performance Lithium-ion Battery Anode

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The X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) survey spectrum (Figure S1a) suggested that the presence of Zn, Sn and O elements in ZnSn(OH)<sub>6</sub> sample. There are two peaks at 1021.4 and 1044.8 eV in Zn 2p spectra (Figure S1b), which correspond to the binding energy (BE) values of Zn 2p 3/2, Zn 2p 1/2 for Zn<sup>2+</sup> state.<sup>1</sup> In the Sn 3d region, two obvious peaks at 486.6 and 495.0 eV are ssigned to Sn 3d 5/2 and Sn 3d 3/2 of Sn<sup>4+</sup> ion (Figure S2c).<sup>2</sup>

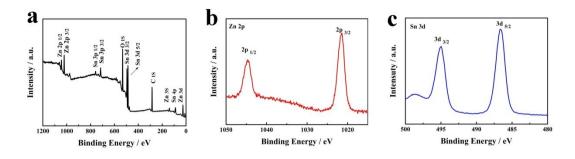


Figure S1(a) XPS survey scan spectra, (b) Zn (2p), (c) Sn (3d) regions for ZnSn(OH)<sub>6</sub>

As shown in Figure S2a, the XPS survey spectrum of CuSn(OH)<sub>6</sub>/ZnSn(OH)<sub>6</sub> indicated the sample contained Zn, Sn, Cu and O elements. In the Zn 2p region (Figure S2b), two peaks

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at 1021.3 and 1044.6 eV were assigned to Zn 2p 3/2, Zn 2p 1/2 for Zn<sup>2+</sup> state. Figure S2c showed two peaks at 486.5 and 494.9 eV, which correspond BE values of Sn 3d 5/2 and Sn 3d 3/2 of Sn<sup>4+</sup> ion. The Cu 2p spectra showed two peaks at 933.4 and 953.5 eV (Figure S2d), which were attributed to the Cu 2p 3/2 and Cu 2p 1/2. In addition to, the shake-up satellite peaks were detected at 942.5 and 962.2 eV, corresponding to the characteristic of d<sup>9</sup> Cu (II) compounds.<sup>3</sup>

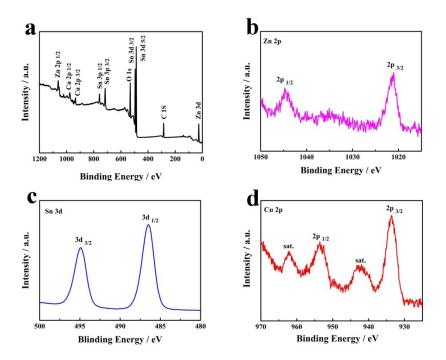


Figure S2 (a) XPS survey scan spectra, (b) Zn (2p), (c) Sn (3d), (d) Cu (2p) regions for  $CuSn(OH)_6/ZnSn(OH)_6$ .

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