Electronic supplementary information (ESI)

Crystal-seeds induced construction of ZnO-ZnFe₂O₄ microcubic composites as excellent anode materials for lithium ion

battery



Fig. S1 XRD pattern of the ZnO seed



Fig. S2 SEM images of the ZnO seed(a), ZnFe-3-raw(b) and ZnFe-1(c)



Fig. S3 The rate performance ZnFe-3 electrode



Fig. S4 The linear fitting of Warburg impedance of the ZnO-ZnFe₂O₄

Table S1 Electrochemical performances of ZnO or ZnFe₂O₄ materials

previously reported for lithium-ion batteries

Materials	Current density	Cycle	Capacity	Reference
	$(A \cdot g^{-1})$	number	$(mAh \cdot g^{-1})$	
7nFe.O. papoparticles	0.116	50	over 800	Electrochim Acta
Zhre ₂ O ₄ hanoparticles	0.110	50	0001 800	2011 56: 0/33 0/38
				2011, 30. 9435-9458.
ZnFe ₂ O ₄ Nano-	0.06	80	910	Nano. Res., 2012, 5:
Octahedrons				477-485.
ZnEa O /C mianagnhanag	0.05	100	1100	I. Downer Courses
ZhFe ₂ O ₄ /C microspheres	0.03	100	1100	J. Power Sources
				2014, 258: 305-313
nitrogen-doped carbon	0.1	100	1477	Electrochim. Acta,
coated ZnFe ₂ O ₄ composite				2015, 180: 622–628
	0.1	50		
$ZnFe_2O_4$ nanorods	0.1	50	983	J. Power Sources,
				2016, 306: 718-723
ZnO/ZnFe ₂ O ₄ porous	1	500	804	Chem. Eng. J., 2017,
nanoparticles				308: 340–346
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ZnO-ZnFe ₂ O ₄	0.1	300	625	Electrochim. Acta,
hollow microspheres				2017, 249: 79–88
nonow microspheres				
ZnFe ₂ O ₄ nanoparticles	0.2	400	1106.7	J. Alloy. Compd.,
/rGO composite				2018, 737: 58-66
carbon-coated ZnFe-O	0.5	1000	778 6	Dalton Trans 2018 47.
nanoflakos	0.5	1000	778.0	2521 2520
nanonakes				3321-3329
ZnO-ZnFe ₂ O ₄ micro-	0.1	200	811	In this work
cubic particles				