

# **Enhanced cycling performance of nanostructure LiFePO<sub>4</sub>/C composites with *in-situ* 3D conductive networks for high power Li-ion batteries**

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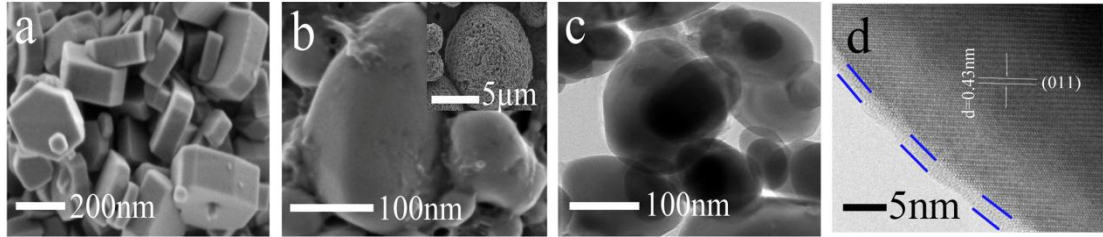
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The SEM and TEM images of LFP-S and LFP/C-S were measured in Fig.S1



**Fig.S1.** SEM images for (a) LFP-S and (b) LFP/C-S, TEM images for (c, d) LFP/C-S

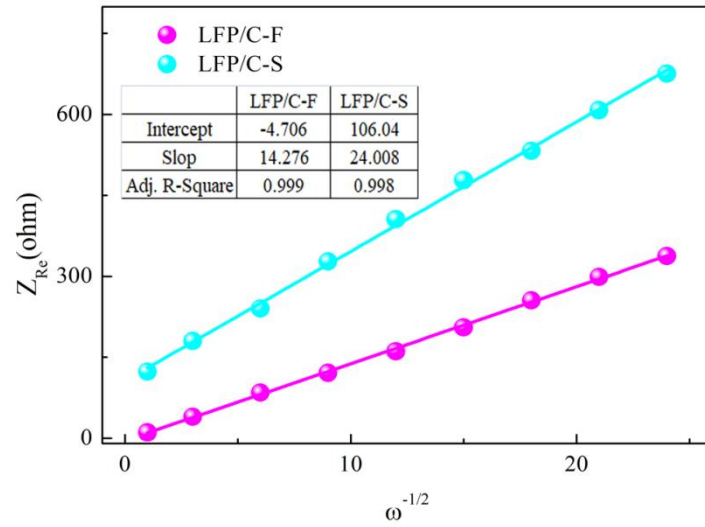
The  $\text{Li}^+$  diffusion coefficient at open circuit state could be calculated from the slanted lines in the Warburg region by Eq. 1: [1]

$$D_{Li} = R^2 T^2 / 2A n^2 F^2 C_0 \sigma^2 \quad (1)$$

where  $D_{Li}$  is the diffusion coefficient in  $\text{LiFePO}_4$  ( $\text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$ ),  $R$  is the gas constant ( $8.31 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ ),  $T$  is the absolute temperature (298 K),  $A$  is the surface area of active material,  $n$  is the number of electrons transferred per molecule during the electrochemical reaction,  $F$  is the Faraday constant ( $96485 \text{ C mol}^{-1}$ ),  $C_0$  is the molar concentration of lithium ion in  $\text{LiFePO}_4$  ( $1.1 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol cm}^{-3}$  here), and  $\sigma$  is the Warburg factor associated with  $Z_{re}$  by Equation 2: [1]

$$Z_{re} = K + \sigma \omega^{-1/2} \quad (2)$$

The Warburg factor can be obtained from the slope between  $Z_{re}$  and the  $\omega^{-1/2}$  where  $D_{Li}$  is the  $\text{Li}^+$  diffusion coefficient in LFP ( $\text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$ ),  $\sigma$  is the Warburg factor associated with  $Z_{Re}$  ( $Z_{Re} \propto \sigma \omega^{-1/2}$ ). After linear fitting the relation plot between  $Z_{Re}$  and the reciprocal square root of the angular frequency  $\omega$ , as shown in Figure S2, the  $\sigma$  of LFP/C-F and LFP/C-S were calculated to be  $14.276$  and  $24.01 \text{ } \Omega \cdot \text{s}^{-1/2}$ , respectively.



**Fig.S2.** the relationship between  $Z_{re}$  and the  $\omega^{-1/2}$  of  $\text{LiFePO}_4/\text{C}$  composites

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