Supporting Information

## Nitrogen-Doped-Carbon/ZnO Modified Cu Foam Current Collector for High-Performance Li Metal Batteries

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Fig. S1 The low-magnification SEM images of a) CuF and b) MCuF (insets are the corresponding optical photographs).



Fig. S2 a) The TEM image of ZIF-8-600 and the corresponding EDS mapping results of b) carbon, c) nitrogen, d) zinc and e) oxygen.



Fig. S3 The XRD pattern of CuF/ZIF-8 (inset is the magnification of the selected area).



Fig. S4 The XPS survey spectrum of MCuF.



Fig. S5 O 1s spectrum of MCuF.



Fig. S6 Top view SEM images of MCuF after the a) 10th plating at 1 mA cm<sup>-2</sup>. b) 10th plating at 3 mA cm<sup>-2</sup>. c) 50th plating at 3 mA cm<sup>-2</sup>. And top view SEM images of CuF after the d) 10th plating at 1 mA cm<sup>-2</sup>. e) 10th plating at 3 mA cm<sup>-2</sup>. f) 50th plating at 3 mA cm<sup>-2</sup>. The area capacity is 1 mA h cm<sup>-2</sup>.



Fig. S7 Coulombic efficiencies of Li plating/stripping on MCuF and CuF with current density of 5 mA  $cm^{-2}$  with an area capacity of 1 mA h  $cm^{-2}$ .

Reference s	Materials	Current density (mA cm <sup>-2</sup> )	Area capacity (mA h cm <sup>-2</sup> )	Cycle number	Coulombic efficiency (%)
1	N-doped grapehene coated	0.5	1	150	97.5
	on 3D Cu	1	2	50	97
		0.5	2	100	97.6
		0.5	4	100	97.8
2	Zn-Cu chemical dealloy	0.5	1	250	97
	-	1	1	140	97
3	Zn-Cu electrochemical		1	200	97.9
	dealloying	1	2	50	97.6
			5	50	97.1
4	Cu nanowire	1	2	200	98.6
5		1		270	98
	Hierarchically bicontinuous	1.5	1	200	96
	porous copper	2		150	95
		3		100	94
6	Vertically aligned 3D Cu	1	3	200	98.5
7	Vertically aligned CuO on	0.5	1	After 180	94
	Cu collector	1	1	After 180	94
8	3D Cu skeleton fabricate by	0.5	1	700	95
	NaCl template	1	1	400	95
9	Cu mesh	0.5	1	first 70 cycles	97
				after 100cycles	93.8
		1	1	600	97.8
This		3	1	400	97.6
work	MCuF	5	1	300	97.3
		10	1	200	96.5
		3	3	120	97.2

Table S1. Comparison of the long-term cycling performances and Coulombic efficiencies of MCuF with previously reported Cu-based current collector for Li metal anodes.



Fig. S8 Voltage profiles of Li plating/stripping on MCuF and CuF at the current density of 1 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> with an area capacity of 1 mA h cm<sup>-2</sup>.



Fig. S9 Voltage-time profiles of MCuF@Li and CuF@Li symmetrical cells at the current density of 3 mA cm<sup>-2</sup> with an area capacity of 2 mA h cm<sup>-2</sup>.

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