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# **Supplementary Information**

## Stable Polypyridinopyridine-Red Phosphorus Composite as a Superior Anode for

### **Long-Cycling Lithium-Ion Batteries**

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Table S1 FTIR wavenumbers (cm<sup>-1</sup>) and assignments for PAN, RP, PPyPy, PPyPy-RP and PPyPy/RP, respectively.

Wave number (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Bonds	Wave number (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	Bonds
2942.0	С - Н	1245.5	C = N
2245.5	C ≡ N	1075.1	P - O
1630.0	C = C	1040.2	P- P
1451.9	CH <sub>2</sub>	978.7	P - O - C
1385.3	P = 0	652.4	P - C
1361.5	C - C	503.4	P- C=N

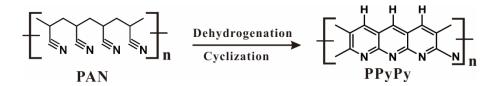


Fig. S1 Schematic illustration of the formation of PPyPy from PAN under dehydrogenation and cyclization process

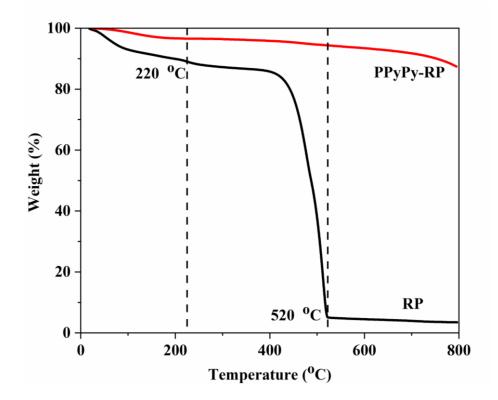


Fig. S2 TGA curves of the PPyPy-RP and pure red phosphorus. The content of pure phosphorus in the PPyPy-RP

calculated from the TGA is 1.9 wt%. This analysis was taken in  $N_2$  atmosphere with a heating rate of 10 °C min<sup>-1</sup>.

To calculate the specific capacity contribution of phosphorus in the electrodes, a formula can be carried out as:

$$C_P = (C_C - C_S) / W_P \qquad (1)$$

where the capacity contribution of Substrate in the electrode is calculated by the following equation as:

$$C_{S} = C_{S} \times W_{S}$$
 (2)

Where the C<sub>c</sub> and C<sup>s</sup> are the capacity of Composite and Substrate, while W<sub>P</sub> and W<sub>S</sub> are the percentage of

Phosphorus and Substrate, respectively.

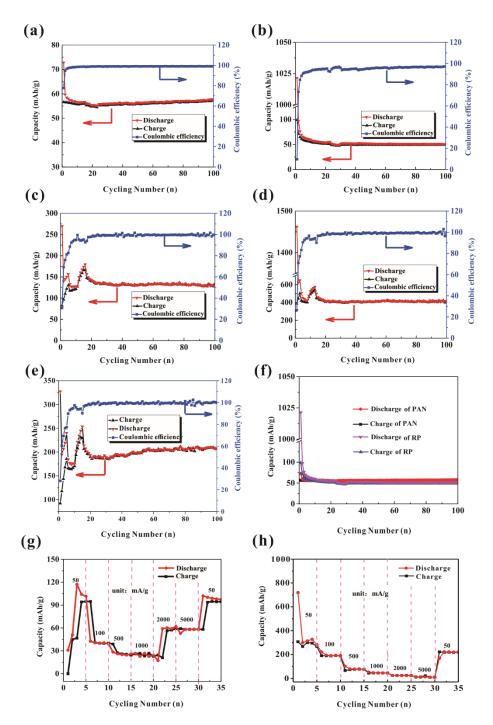


Fig. S3 Cycling stability and Coulombic efficiency of corresponding electrode for LIBs cycled 100 cycles at a current density of

100 mA/g; PAN (a), RP (b), PPyPy (c), PPyPy/RP (d), acetylene black (e); Compare discharge/charge capacities of PAN and RP at a

current density of 100 mA/g (f); Rate capabilities of PAN (g) and AC (h) electrode for LIBs cycled at various current densities.

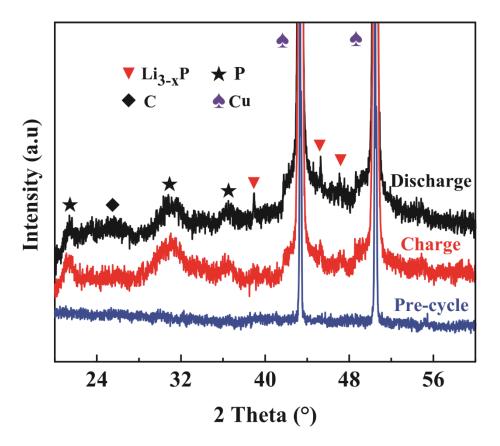


Fig. S4 The XRD patterns with the corresponding pre-cycle and first charge-discharge of PPyPy-RP as anode of LIBs;

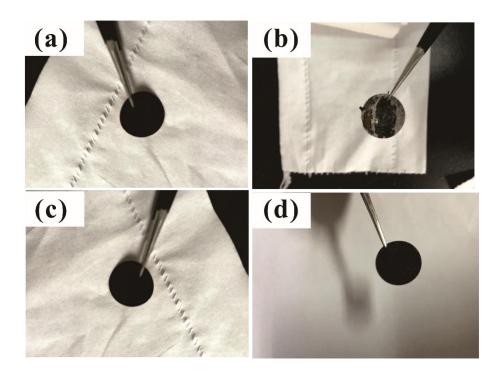


Fig. S5 The photographs of RP electrode and PPyPy-RP electrode after different discharge. Pre-cycle RP electrode (a) and after

100 th discharge (b); Pre-cycle PPyPy-RP electrode (c) and after 2000 th discharge (d)

Table S2 The Re, Rf, and Rct were obtained by fitting experimental data using the corresponding equivalent circuit (Figure. 6c) for

	$R_e(\Omega)$	$R_f(\Omega)$	R <sub>ct</sub> (Ω)
RP	1.53	147	140
РРуРу	1.23		72.5
PPyPy-RP	1.73		77.0
PPyPy/RP	1.68	61.7	27.5

RP, PPyPy, PPyPy-RP and PPyPy/RP cell pre-cycling.

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	$R_{e}(\Omega)$	R <sub>f</sub> (Ω)	R <sub>ct</sub> (Ω)
Pre-cycle-PPyPy-RP	1.73		77.0
1 st-PPyPy-RP	1.51	6.59	33.2
20 th- PPyPy-RP	1.82	4.77	8.75
100 th- PPyPy-RP	1.85	21.3	16.4

for PPyPy-RP cell after different cycles.

Electrode material	Current density	Initial Coulombic	Reversible capacity	
	(mA/g)	Efficiency (%)	(mAh/g phosphorus)	Reference
			/Cycles	
P/CNTs	130	74.3	998.5/50	[1]
P/graphite (P-C bond)	500	85.5	1849/100	[2]
P/Carbon Matrix	300	80	1370/100	[3]
P-Graphene				
Nanosheet	130	84	1283/300	[4]
P/carbon				
cloth/graphene oxide	259.6	82.7	910/200	[5]
Densely Packed				
Phosphorene-				
Graphene	500	60.2	725/200	[6]
	100	86.2	1870.2/100	
ΡΡγΡγ-RΡ	1000	84.4	1632.8/800	This work
	5000	67.9	518.3/2000	

#### Table S4 Electrochemical performance of phosphorus–carbon composites in lithium half-cells

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