## **Supporting Information**

## Sn nanocrystals embedded in porous TiO<sub>2</sub>/C with improved

## capacity for sodium-ion batteries

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**Figure S1.** Morphologies of the TiO<sub>2</sub>/C composite: a, b) FESEM images, c) TEM image and d) HRTEM image showing lattice fringe of rutile TiO<sub>2</sub> (as indicated by the red arrows).



Figure S2. Raman spectra of Sn/TiO<sub>2</sub>/C and TiO<sub>2</sub>/C samples.



Figure S3. TG curves of Sn/TiO<sub>2</sub>/C and TiO<sub>2</sub>/C obtained from room temperature to 800 °C under air.



Figure S4. N 1s spectrum of Sn/TiO<sub>2</sub>/C.



Figure S5. CV curves of Sn/TiO<sub>2</sub>/C electrode with the potential range of 0.01-3.00 V at a scan rate of 0.1 mV s<sup>-1</sup>.