

Supplementary Material

T-Nb₂O₅ embedded carbon nanosheet with superior reversibility and rate capability as an anode for high energy Li-ion capacitors

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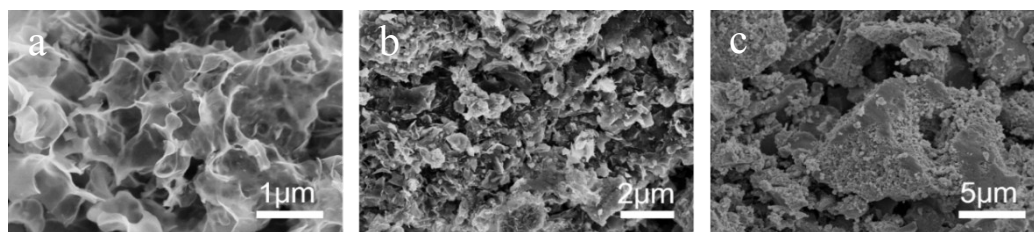


Fig. S1 (a) SEM image of GCN. (b) SEM image of $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5/\text{GCN}$. (c) SEM image of $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5$.

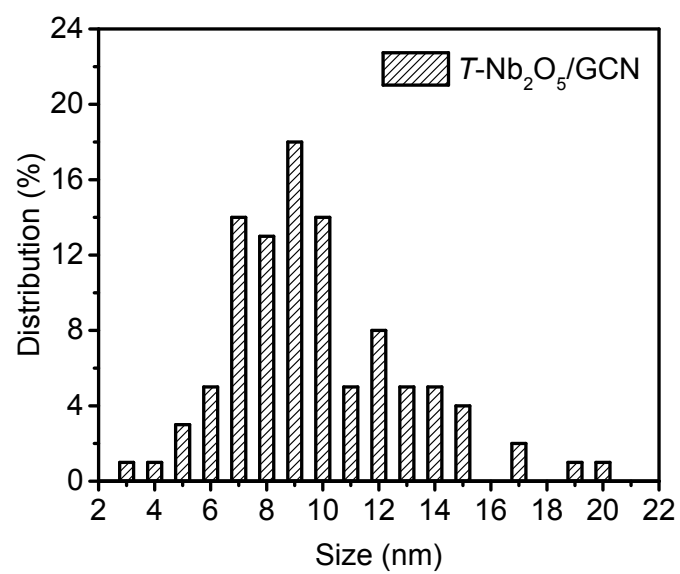


Fig. S2 The Nb_2O_5 particle size distribution of $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5/\text{GCN}$, which is based on the measurement of 100 particles in their maximum dimension.

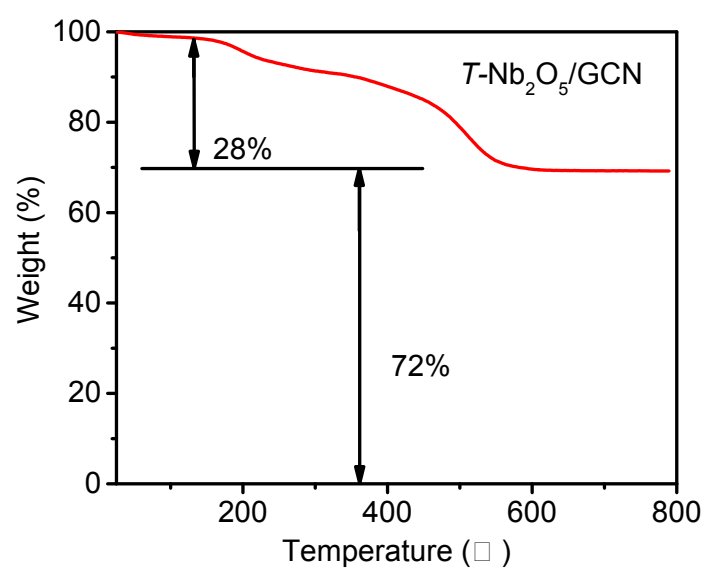


Fig. S3 TG analysis of $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5/\text{GCN}$ composite in air flow.

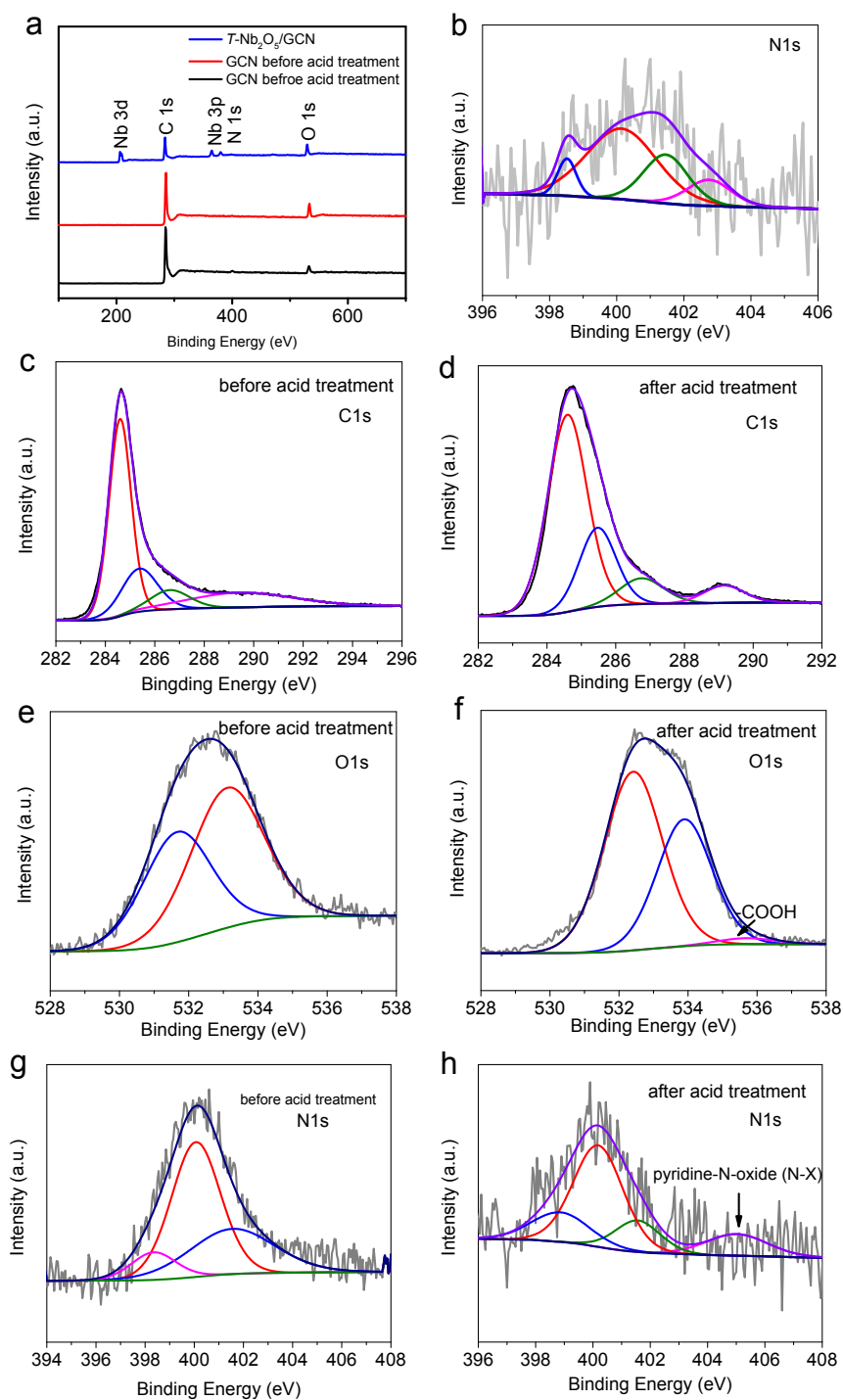


Fig. S4 (a) The survey spectra. (b) N 1s XPS spectra of $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5/\text{GCN}$. (c) C 1s XPS spectra of GCN before acid treatment. (d) C 1s XPS spectra of GCN after acid treatment. (e) O 1s spectra of GCN before acid treatment. (f) O 1s XPS spectra of GCN after acid treatment. (g) N 1s spectra of GCN before acid treatment. (h) N 1s XPS spectra of GCN after acid treatment.

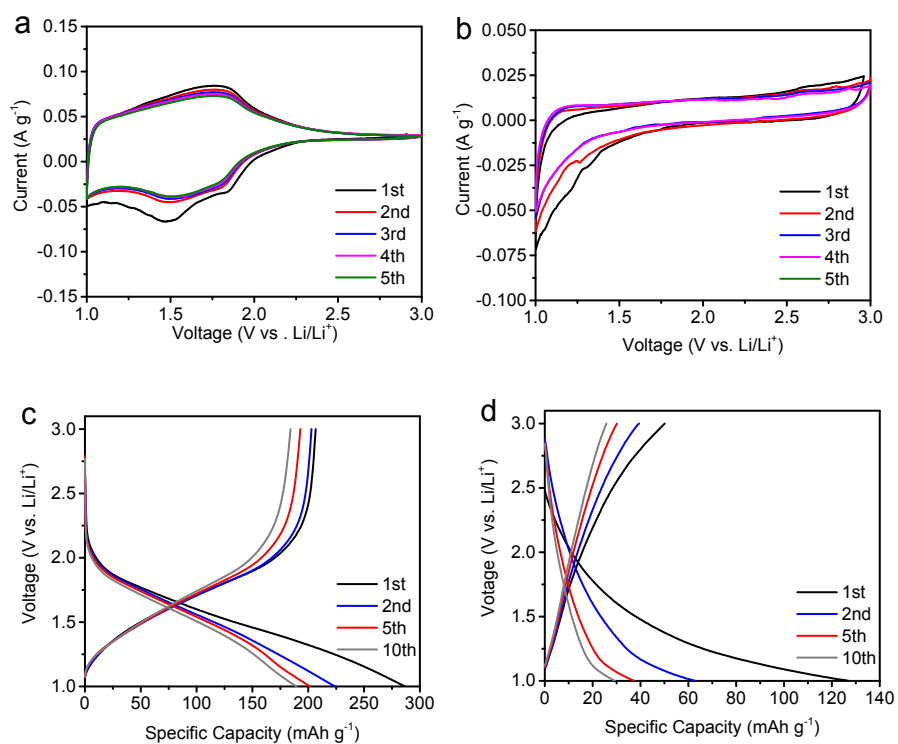


Fig.

S5 (a)

CV

curves

of $T\text{-}$

Nb_2O_5

at 0.1

mV s^{-1} .

(b)

CV

curves

of

GCN

at 0.1

mV s^{-1} .

(c)

Galvanostatic charge-discharge profiles of $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5$ at 0.1 A g^{-1} . (d) Galvanostatic charge-discharge profiles of GCN at 0.1 A g^{-1} .

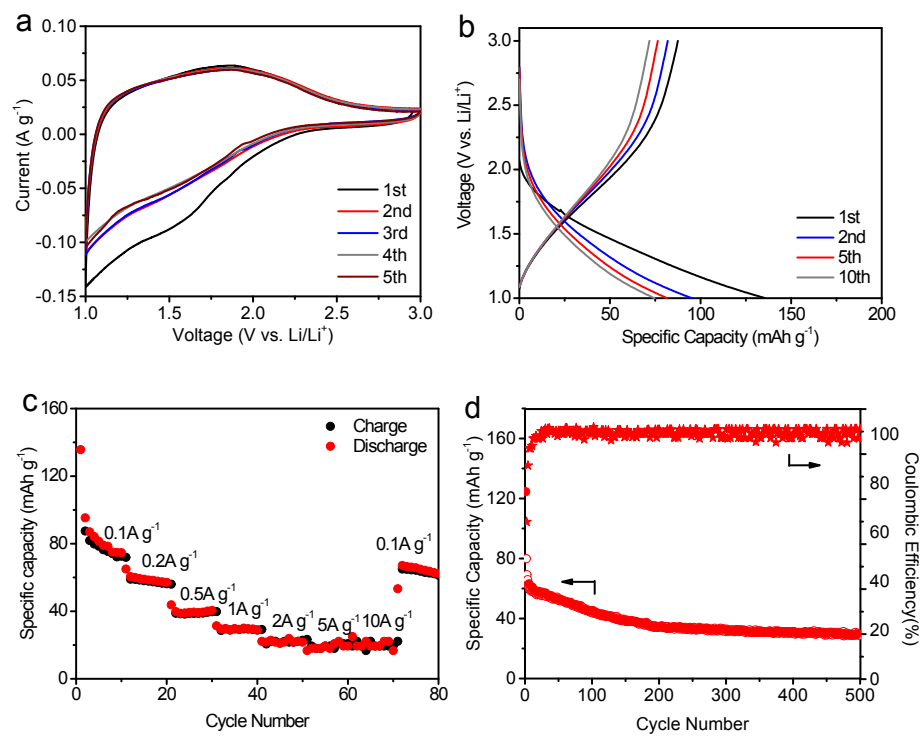


Fig. S6 (a) CV curves of $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5/\text{GCN}$ (50%) at 0.1 mV s^{-1} . (b) Galvanostatic charge-discharge profiles of $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5/\text{GCN}$ (50%) at 0.1 A g^{-1} . (c) Rate capacities at various current densities from 0.1 to 10 A g^{-1} . (d) Cycling performance and the related coulombic efficiency for $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5/\text{GCN}$ (50%) at 2 A g^{-1} for 500 cycles.

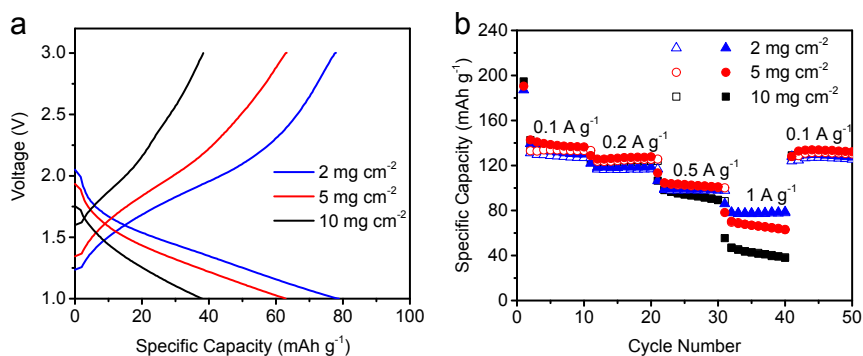


Fig. S7 (a) Galvanostatic charge-discharge curves for $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5/\text{GCN}$ electrode. (b) The $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5/\text{GCN}$ electrode at a current density of 1 A g^{-1} for the mass loadings of 2, 5, and 10 mg cm^{-2} .

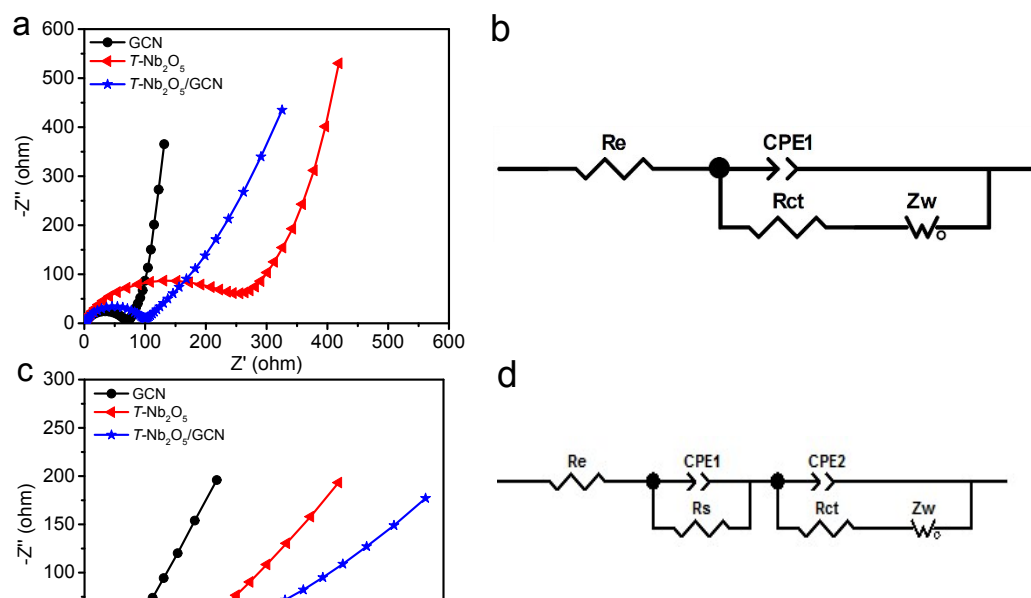


Fig. S8 Nyquist plots of GCN, $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5$ and $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5/\text{GCN}$ electrodes (a) before cycling and (c) after 500 cycles. The used equivalent circuits for Nyquist plot simulation: (b) before cycling and (d) after 500 cycles.

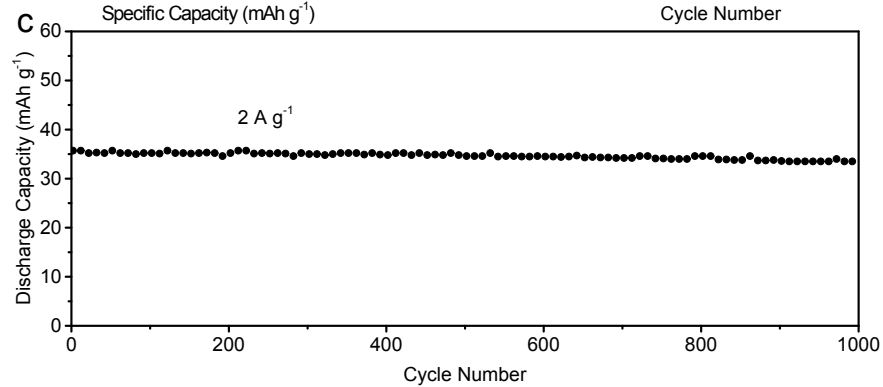
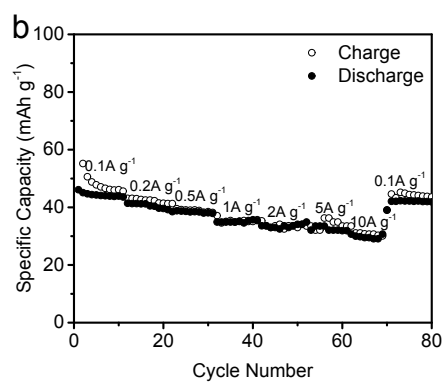
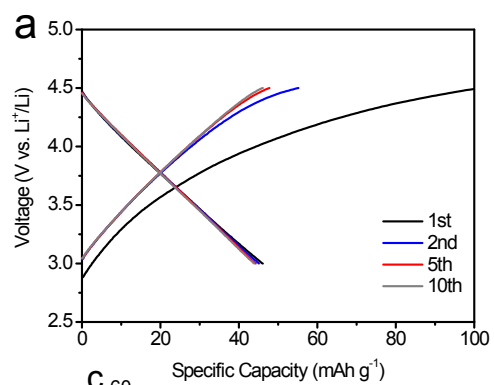


Fig. S9 (a) Typical charge and discharge curves of GCN cathode at 0.1 A g^{-1} ; (b) Rate capability of GCN at various current densities; (c) Cycling performance of the GCN cathode at 2 A g^{-1} .

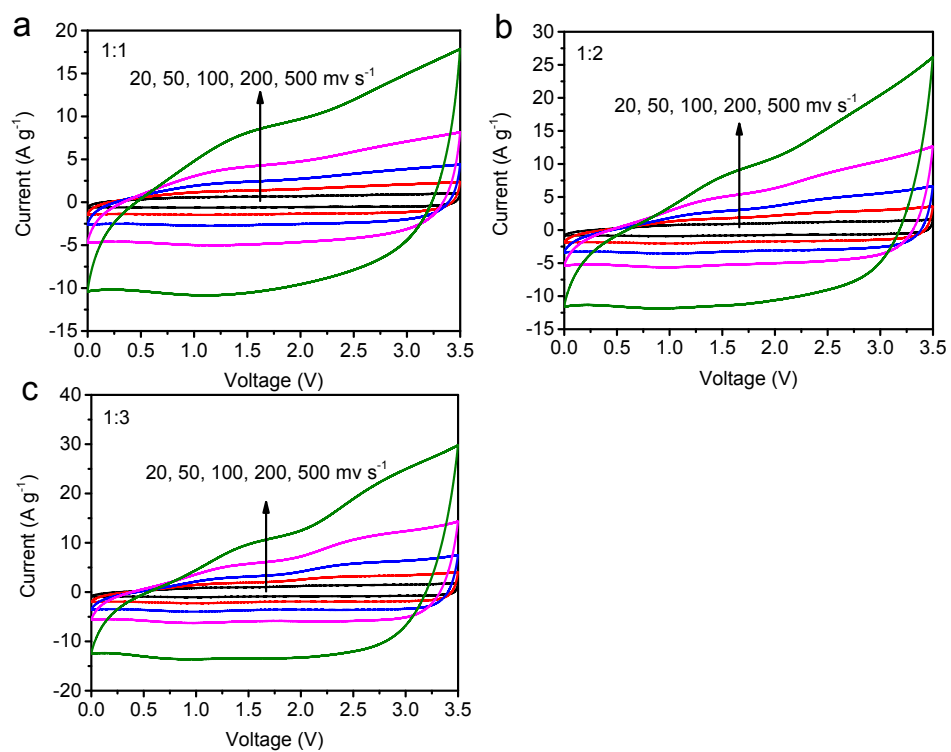


Fig. S10 CV curves of Li-ion capacitors at various sweep rates with different anode to cathode mass ratios of (a) 1:1, (b) 1:2, (c) 1:3.

Table S1 Comparison with the performance of previously reported Li-ion capacitors.

Hybrid system	Voltage Window	Energy Density/ Power Density	Cyclability	Ref.
Nb ₂ O ₅ //GCN (Li ⁺)	0-3.5 V	129 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 145.29 W kg ⁻¹ 50.6 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 16703.75 W kg ⁻¹	80% after 10000 cycles at 5A g ⁻¹	This work
CNT/Nb ₂ O ₅ //AC (Li ⁺)	0.5-3 V	33.5Wh kg ⁻¹ at 83 W kg ⁻¹ ~4 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 4000 W kg ⁻¹	–	1
TiO ₂ //CNT-AC (Li ⁺)	1-3 V	59.6 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 120 W kg ⁻¹ 31.2 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 7000 W kg ⁻¹	–	2
PF16//FRGO (Li ⁺)	0-4.2 V	148.3 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 141W kg ⁻¹ 71.5 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 7800W kg ⁻¹	68% after 2000 cycles at 1.86A g ⁻¹	3
Nb ₂ O ₅ //AC (Li ⁺)	1-3.5 V	95.55 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 191 W kg ⁻¹ 65/39 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 5350.9 W kg ⁻¹	–	4
CNT _S - Nb ₂ O ₅ //AC (Li ⁺)	0.5-3 V	~50 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 86.46 W kg ⁻¹ 14.77 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 6753.5 W kg ⁻¹	–	5
p-NbN//APDC (Li ⁺)	0-4 V	149 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 200 W kg ⁻¹ 5 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 45000 W kg ⁻¹	~95% after 15000 cycles at 1 A g ⁻¹	6
Ni-Co LDH/3D RGO NF//AC (Li ⁺)	0-1.6 V	38.6 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 69.48 W kg ⁻¹ 3.65 W h kg ⁻¹ at 7231.6 W kg ⁻¹	70% after 4000 cycles at 10 mA cm ⁻²	7
SnO ₂ -C//MC (Li ⁺)	0-4 V	110 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 90 W kg ⁻¹ 45 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 2960 W kg ⁻¹	80% after 2000 cycles at 1 A g ⁻¹	8
AC//Li ₂ CoPo ₄ F (Li ⁺)	0-3 V	47 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 215 W kg ⁻¹ 24 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 1607 W kg ⁻¹	92% after 30000 cycles at 1.1A g ⁻¹	9
T-Nb ₂ O ₅ /graphene//MC (Li ⁺)	0.8-3 V	48 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 690 W kg ⁻¹ 13 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 16000 W kg ⁻¹	~92% after 3000 cycles at 1A g ⁻¹	10

Graphene wrapped LTO//AC (Li ⁺)	1-2.5 V	50 Wh kg ⁻¹ at ~15 W kg ⁻¹ 15 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 2500 W kg ⁻¹	75% after 1000 cycles at 1mA cm ⁻²	11
H ₂ Ti _{11.85} Nb _{0.15} O ₂ s//AC (Li ⁺)	0-2.8 V	24.3Wh kg ⁻¹ at 1794.6 W kg ⁻¹ 11.3Wh kg ⁻¹ at 5821.3W kg ⁻¹	84% after 10000 cycles at 3A g ⁻¹	12
MnO/C//CNS (Li ⁺)	1-4 V	100 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 83 W kg ⁻¹ 30 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 20000 W kg ⁻¹	70% after 5000 cycles at 5A g ⁻¹	13
S-ATNT//OMC (Li ⁺)	0-3 V	25 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 3000 W kg ⁻¹ 42 Wh kg ⁻¹ at <300 W kg ⁻¹	–	14
MnO-C//AC (Li ⁺)	0-4 V	227 Wh kg ⁻¹ at ~60 W kg ⁻¹ ~20 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 2952 W kg ⁻¹	92.5% after 3500 cycles at 4 A g ⁻¹	15
GDY//AC (Li ⁺)	2-4 V	112.2 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 400.1 W kg ⁻¹ 95.1 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 1000.4 W kg ⁻¹	94.7% after 1000 cycles at 0.2A g ⁻¹	16
TNO@C//CF _s (Li ⁺)	0.8-3.2V	110.4 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 99.58 W kg ⁻¹ 20 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 5464 W kg ⁻¹	77% after 1500 cycles at 0.2A g ⁻¹	17
Si/FG/C//CPA C (Li ⁺)	2-4.5V	159 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 945 W kg ⁻¹ 99 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 31235 W kg ⁻¹	80% after 1000 cycles at 1A g ⁻¹	18
Ti ₃ C ₂ Tx/CNTs//AC (Li ⁺)	1-4 V	67 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 258 W kg ⁻¹ 19 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 5297 W kg ⁻¹	81.3% after 5000 cycles at 2A g ⁻¹	19
m-Nb ₂ O ₅ -C//MSP-20 (Li ⁺)	0-3 V	20 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 12137 W kg ⁻¹ 15 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 18510 W kg ⁻¹	90% after 1000 cycles at 1A g ⁻¹	20
T-Nb ₂ O ₅ @C//MSP-20 (Li ⁺)	1-3.5 V	63 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 70 W kg ⁻¹ 5 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 16528 W kg ⁻¹	~80% after 1000 cycles at 1A g ⁻¹	21
LTP//AC (Li ⁺)	0-3 V	14 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 45 W kg ⁻¹ 0.8 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 180 W kg ⁻¹	–	22

PANI//LMB-NB (Li ⁺)	0-3 V	42 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 1500 W kg ⁻¹ 15 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 5350 W kg ⁻¹	94% after 30000 cycles at 2.25A g ⁻¹	23
Graphite//AC (Li ⁺)	1.5-4.5V	103.8 Wh kg ⁻¹ at ~65 W kg ⁻¹	85% after 10000 cycles at 0.12A g ⁻¹	24
H ₂ Ti ₆ O ₃ //CMK- 3 (Li ⁺)	1-3.5 V	90 Wh kg ⁻¹ at ~600 W kg ⁻¹	80% after 1000 cycles at 0.15A g ⁻¹	25
LiCrTiO ₄ //AC (Li ⁺)	1-3V	23 Wh kg ⁻¹ at 800 W kg ⁻¹ ~4.5Wh kg ⁻¹ at ~4000 W kg ⁻¹	~100% after 1000 cycles at 2A g ⁻¹	26

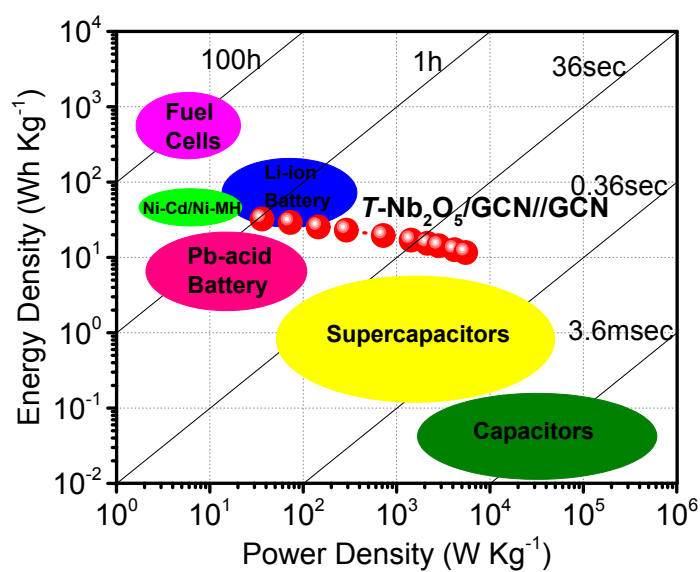


Fig. S11 Ragone plot of $T\text{-Nb}_2\text{O}_5/\text{GCN}//\text{GCN}$ Lithium ion capacitors in comparison with other commercial energy storage devices.

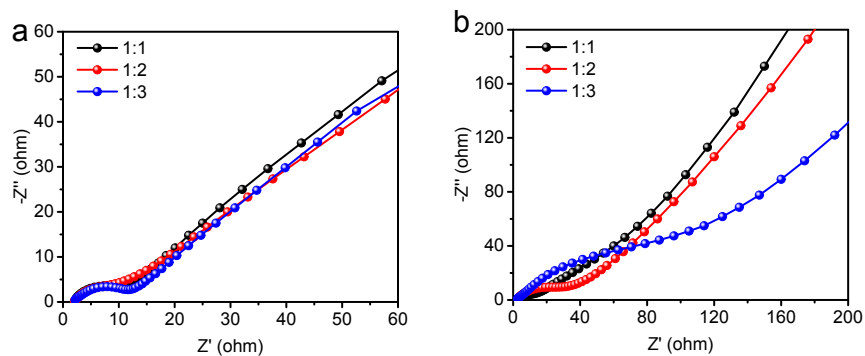


Fig. S12 Electrochemical impedance spectra of LICs with various anode to cathode mass ratios of 1:1, 1:2 and 1:3, (a) before cycling and (b) after 10000 cycles.

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