

Supporting information

High rate hybrid MnO₂@CNT fabric anode for Li-ion batteries: properties and lithium storage mechanism study by in situ synchrotron X-ray scattering

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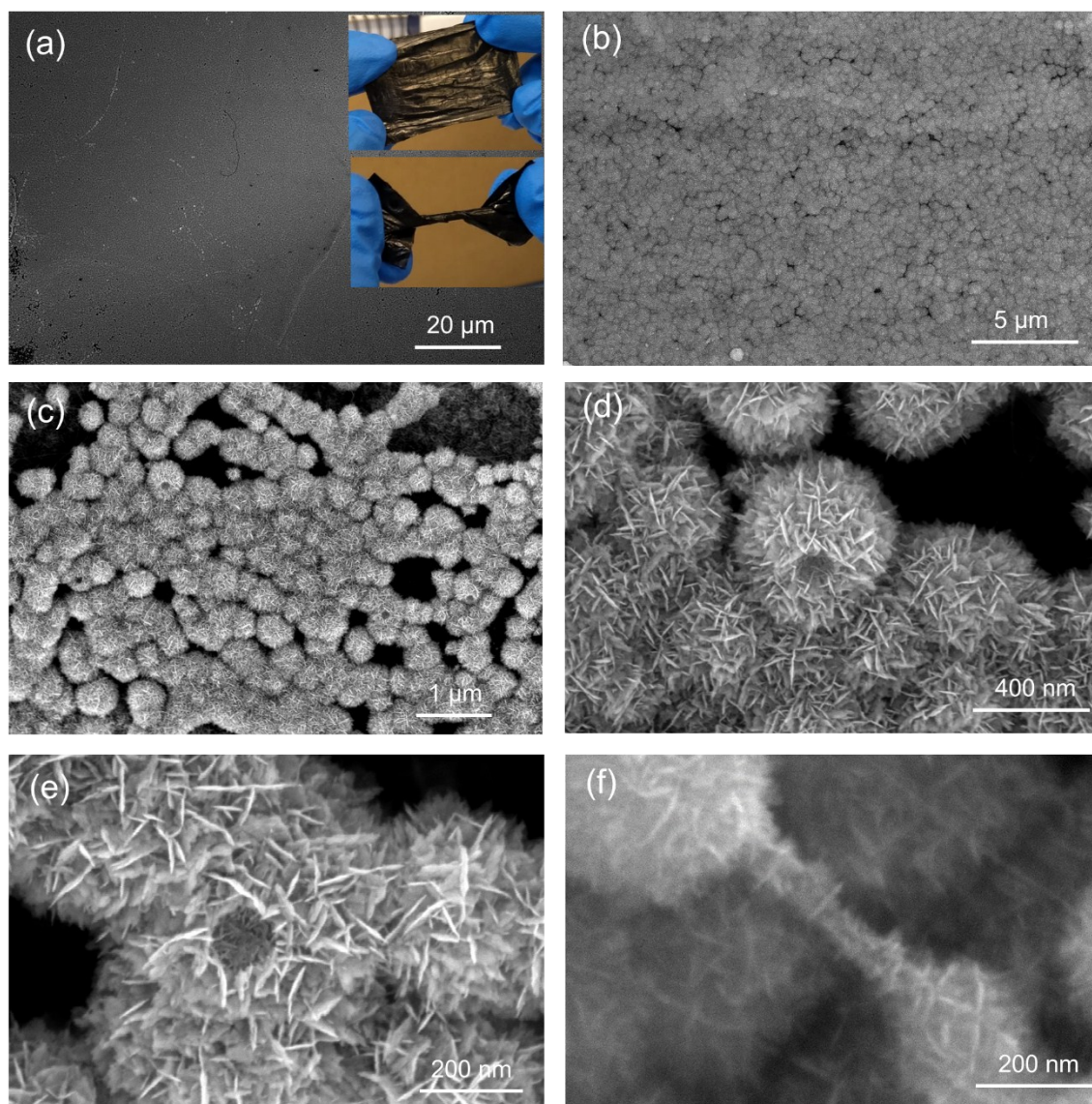


Figure S1. FESEM images of $\text{MnO}_2@\text{CNTF}$ hybrid at different magnifications, showing uniform coating of hierarchical MnO_2 nanoflowers. The preoxidized CNTF allows the uniform growth of MnO_2 as can be seen in (c) and (f). Inset pictures in (a) show the flexible nature of the macroscopic samples.

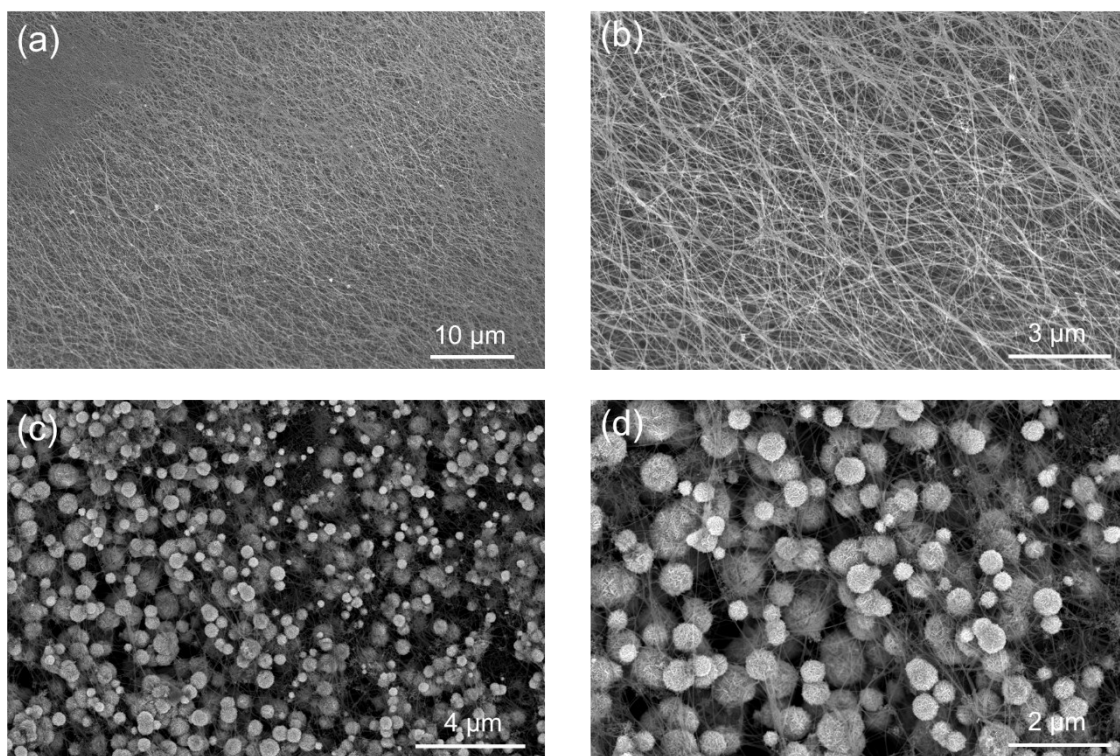


Figure S2. FESEM images of (a,b) pristine CNT fibers veils and (c,d) MnO₂ nanoflowers on pristine CNTF showing non-uniform oxide coverage on CNT bundles.

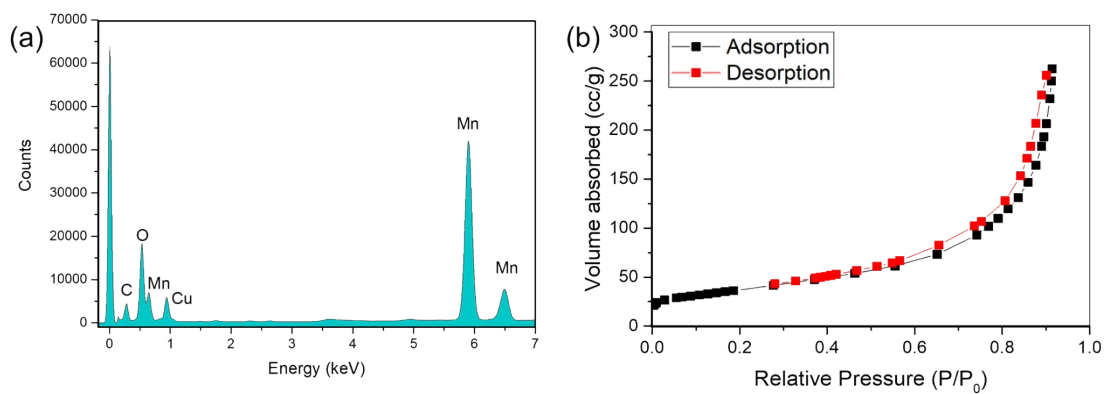


Figure S3. (a) Electron dispersive X-ray spectrum of MnO₂@CNTF hybrid. (b) BET isotherm of MnO₂@CNT hybrid.

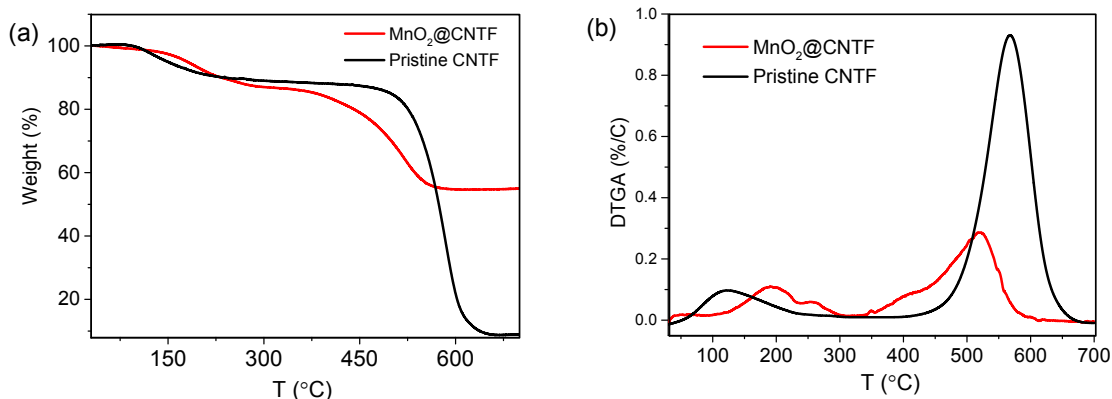


Figure S4. Comparison of (a) TGA and (b) DTA curves of MnO₂/CNTF hybrid with pristine CNTF in aerial atmosphere.

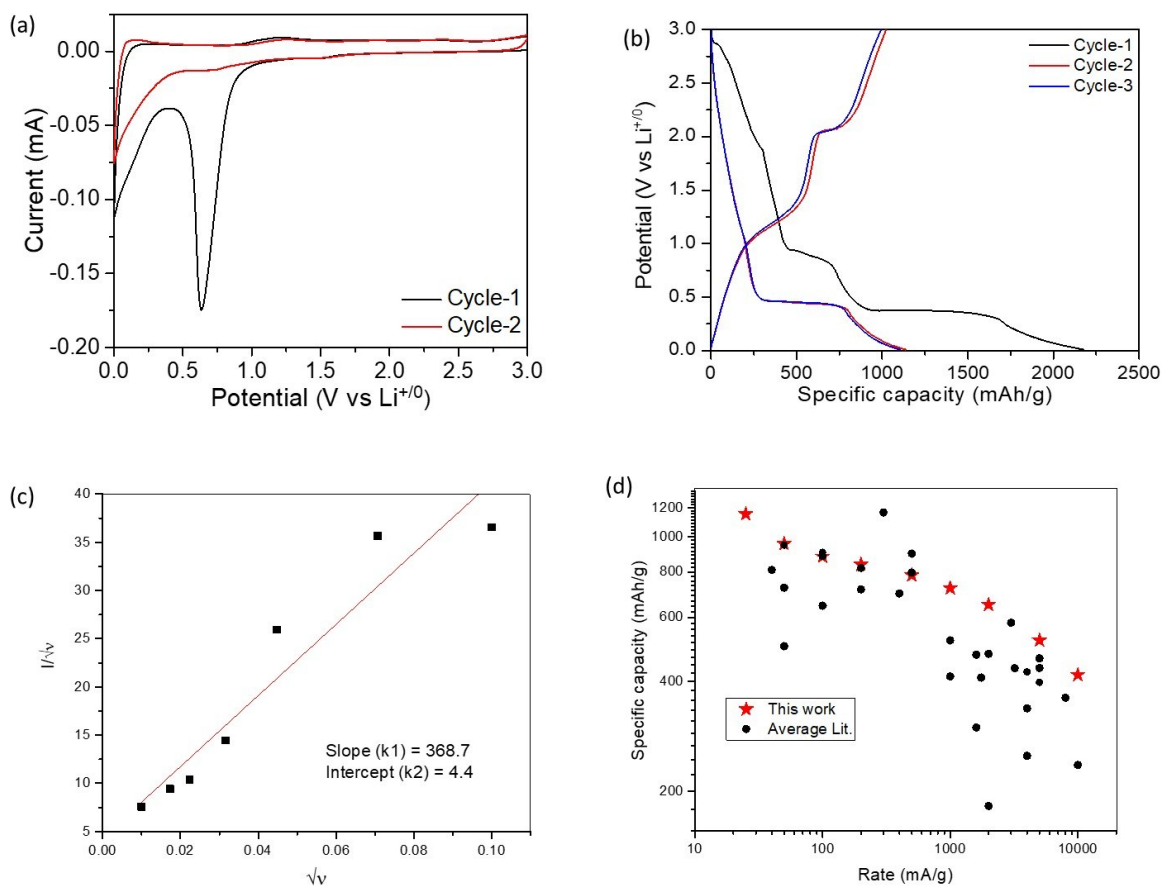


Figure S5. (a) First two cyclic voltammograms of pristine CNT at a scan rate of 0.1 mV/s. (b) First three voltage profiles of MnO₂/CNTF for charge-discharge process at a current density of 25 mA/g. (c) Fitting of Cunn-Donway (equation 1) at 2V during anodic scan (R-Square = 0.92). (d) Comparison of rating for this material and literature data (from table ST1).

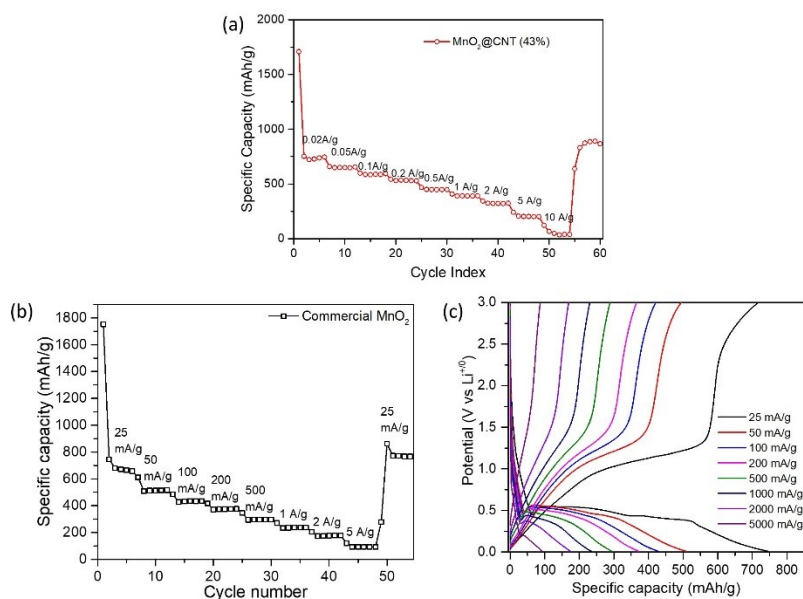


Figure S6. Rate profiles of (a) $\text{MnO}_2@\text{CNT}$ with 43% MnO_2 loading and (b) commercial MnO_2 at current densities of 25 mA/g to 5 A/g. (c) voltage profiles of commercial MnO_2 at different current densities.

Table ST1. Comparison of specific capacitance values of Li-ion battery anodes with $\text{MnO}_2@\text{CNT}$ hybrid.

Sr. No.	Material (crystal structure)	Specific capacity (mAh/g)	Current density	reference
1.	$\text{MnO}_x@\text{CNT}$	1153	25mA/g	This work
		955	50 mA/g	
		882	100 mA/g	
		838	200 mA/g	
		783	500 mA/g	
		722	1 A/g	
		650	2 A/g	
		519	5 A/g	
		344	10 A/g	
2.	MnO/Carbon Nanopeapods	463	5 A/g	[1]
3.	MnO_2 /Carbon Nanotube Array	500	50 mA/g	[2]
4.	putty-like MnO_2 /CNT	796	500 mA/ g	[3]
		236	10 A/g	
5.	MnO_2 /Conjugated Polymer/Graphene	948	50 mA/g	[4]
		698	400 mA/g	
6.	Nanoflaky MnO_2 /carbon nanotube	820	200 mA/g	[5]

		250	4 A/g	
7.	Mn ₃ O ₄ /C nanospheres	1237	200 mA/g	[6]
		425	4 A/g	
8.	MnO ₂ nanorods	1075	100 mA/ g	[7]
		489	1A/g	
9.	Graphene-Wrapped MnO ₂ -Graphene Nanoribbons	890	100 mA/ g	[8]
		550	1A/g	
10.	monodisperse α -Mn ₂ O ₃ octahedra	791	100 mA/g	[9]
		435	3200 mA/g	
11.	Thin Film of Graphene-MnO ₂ Nanotube	495	100 mA/g	[10]
		208	1.6 A/g	
12.	Mn ₃ O ₄ -Graphene	810	40 mA/g	[11]
		390	1.6 A/g	
13.	Graphene/Ni ₂ P	599	100 mA/g	[12]
		260	5A/g	
14.	Mesoporous Co ₃ O ₄	1033	100 mA/g	[13]
		622	5 A /g	
15.	MnO/C	1165	0.3 A /g	[14]
		580	3 A /g	
16.	Mesoporous Dual Carbon Armored MnO Nanoparticles	865	100 mA/g	[15]
		425	2 A/ g	
17.	Mn ₃ O ₄ Nanoparticles on Hollow Carbon Nanofiber	835	200 mA/g	[16]
		528	2 A/g	
18.	(TMO = CoO, Ni ₂ O ₃ , Mn ₃ O ₄) NPs Encapsulated into B/N Co-Doped Graphitic Nanotubes	For CoO 1554	96 mA /g	[17]
		410	1.75 A /g	
19.	Hollow C sphere with open pore encapsulated MnO ₂ nanosheets	780.4	500 mA/g	[18]
		398	5 A/ g	
20.	3D δ -MnO ₂ nanostructure	905	0.1 A/g	[19]

		271	1 A/g	
21.	coaxial MnO ₂ /CNTs nanocomposite	1064	0.1 A/g	[20]
		474	1.6 A/g	
22.	Nanoflake δ -MnO ₂ deposited on carbon nanotubes-graphene-Ni foam scaffolds	500	4 A/g	[21]
23.	nanostructured MnO ₂	1095	100 mA/g	[22]
		464	2 A/g	
24.	MoS ₂ -on-MXene Heterostructures	646	100 mA/g	[23]
		182	2A/g	
		90	5 A/g	
25.	Urchin-like α -Fe ₂ O ₃ /MnO ₂ hierarchical hollow composite microspheres	716	0.2 A/g	[24]
		413	1 A/g	

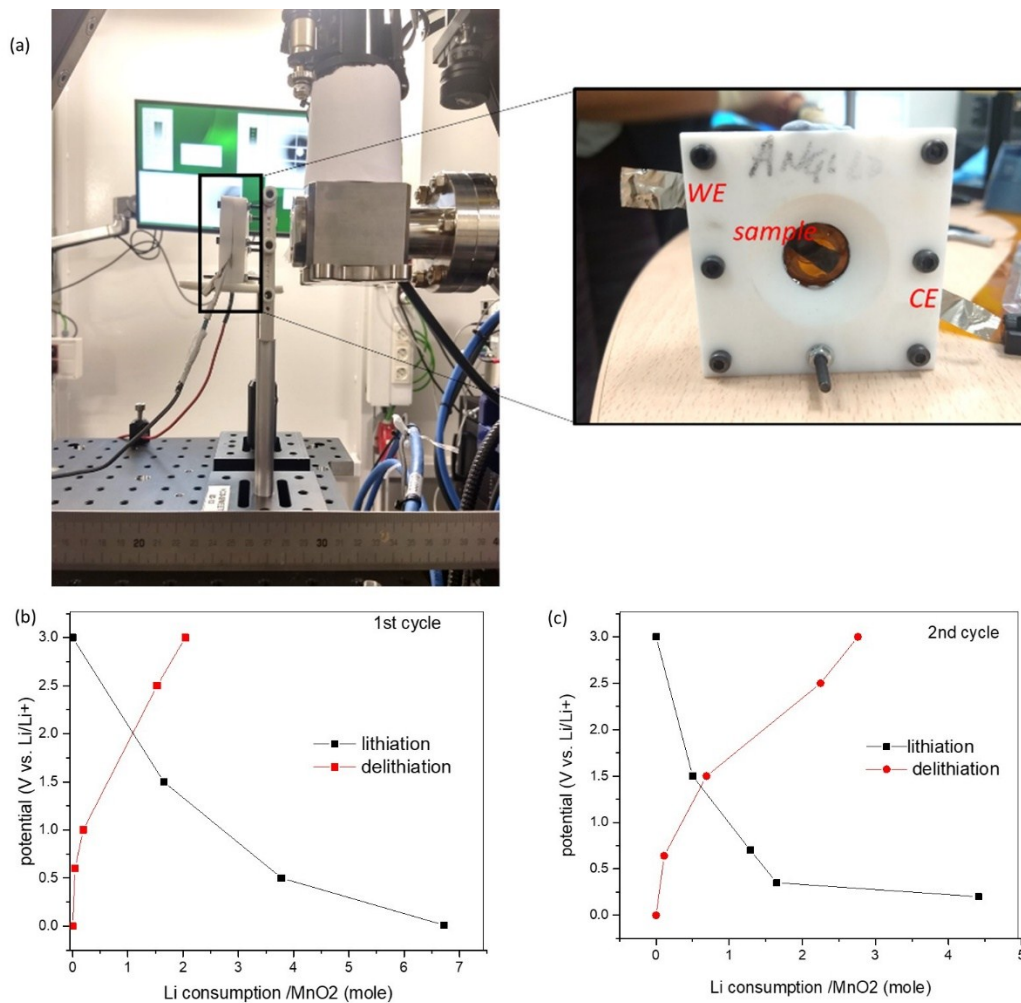


Figure S7. (a) Digital image of the set-up for the operando synchrotron SAXS/ WAXS measurements and the customized cell with free-standing working electrode. (b, c) Consumption of lithium during in situ synchrotron charge-discharge process corresponding to galvanostatic profiles shown in Figure 4.

Table ST2: Details of the crystallographic analysis of in situ WAXS measurement.

Material	Crystal phase (ICSD- reference number)	Peak position in q (Å ⁻¹)	Lattice Plane	Ref.
MnO ₂	Crystal system: Hexagonal Space group: P6 ₃ /mmc a (Å): 2.829 b (Å): 2.829 c (Å): 4.410 Alpha (°): 90.0000 Beta (°): 90.0000 Gamma (°): 120 ICSD-76430, PDF 00-030-820	2.55	(100)	25
		2.92	(101)	
		3.8	(102)	
		4.42	(210)	
		5.12	(103)	
Mn ₂ O ₃	Crystal system: Orthorhombic Space group: P b c a a (Å): 9.4120 b (Å): 9.4180 c (Å): 9.4230 Alpha (°): 90.0000 Beta (°): 90.0000 Gamma (°): 90.0000 Reference code: 98-002-4342 ICSD: 24342, ICDD: 00-024-0508 PDF code: 00-024-0508	2.42	(230)	26
		2.79	(114)	
		3.96	(244)	
		4.73	(435)	
		4.87	(336)	
MnO	Crystal system: Cubic Space group: F m -3 m a (Å): 4.4880 b (Å): 4.4880 c (Å): 4.4880 Alpha (°): 90.0000 Beta (°): 90.0000 Gamma (°): 90.0000 PANICSD: 98-065-7312 ICSD: 657312	2.45	(111)	27
		2.82	(002)	
		3.99	(113)	
		4.66	(222)	
		4.85	(004)	
LiMnO ₂	Crystal system: Orthorhombic Space group: P m m n a (Å): 2.8050 b (Å): 4.5810 c (Å): 5.7490 Alpha (°): 90.0000 Beta (°): 90.0000 Gamma (°): 90.0000 Reference code: 98-008-1050 ICSD : 81050	2.54	(012)	28
		2.95	(021)	
		4.17	(113)	
		4.91	(104)	
		5.12	(114)	

Mn	Crystal system: Cubic Space group: $I-43m$ a (Å): 8.9050 b (Å): 8.9050 c (Å): 8.9050 Alpha (°): 90.0000 Beta (°): 90.0000 Gamma (°): 90.0000 ICSD:164349, PANICSD:98-016-4349	2.62	(123)	29
		2.83	(004)	
		2.99	(114)	
		3.31	(233)	
		4.23	(244)	
		4.88	(444)	
		4.98	(055)	
Li _{1.5} Mn _{0.97} O ₂	Crystal system: Tetragonal Space group: $I41/amd$ a (Å): 5.6720 b (Å): 5.6720 c (Å): 9.1820 Alpha (°): 90.0000 Beta (°): 90.0000 Gamma (°): 90.0000 ICSD:62047, PANICSD:98-006-2047	2.33	(013)	30
		2.73	(004)	
		3.77	(132)	
		4.16	(224)	
		4.67	(026)	
Li ₂ O	Crystal system: Cubic Space group: $Fm-3m$ a (Å): 4.6890 b (Å): 4.6890 c (Å): 4.6890 Alpha (°): 90.0000 Beta (°): 90.0000 Gamma (°): 90.0000 ICSD:642216, PANICSD:98-064-2216	2.32	(111)	31
		2.67	(002)	
		3.79	(022)	
		4.44	(113)	
		4.64	(222)	

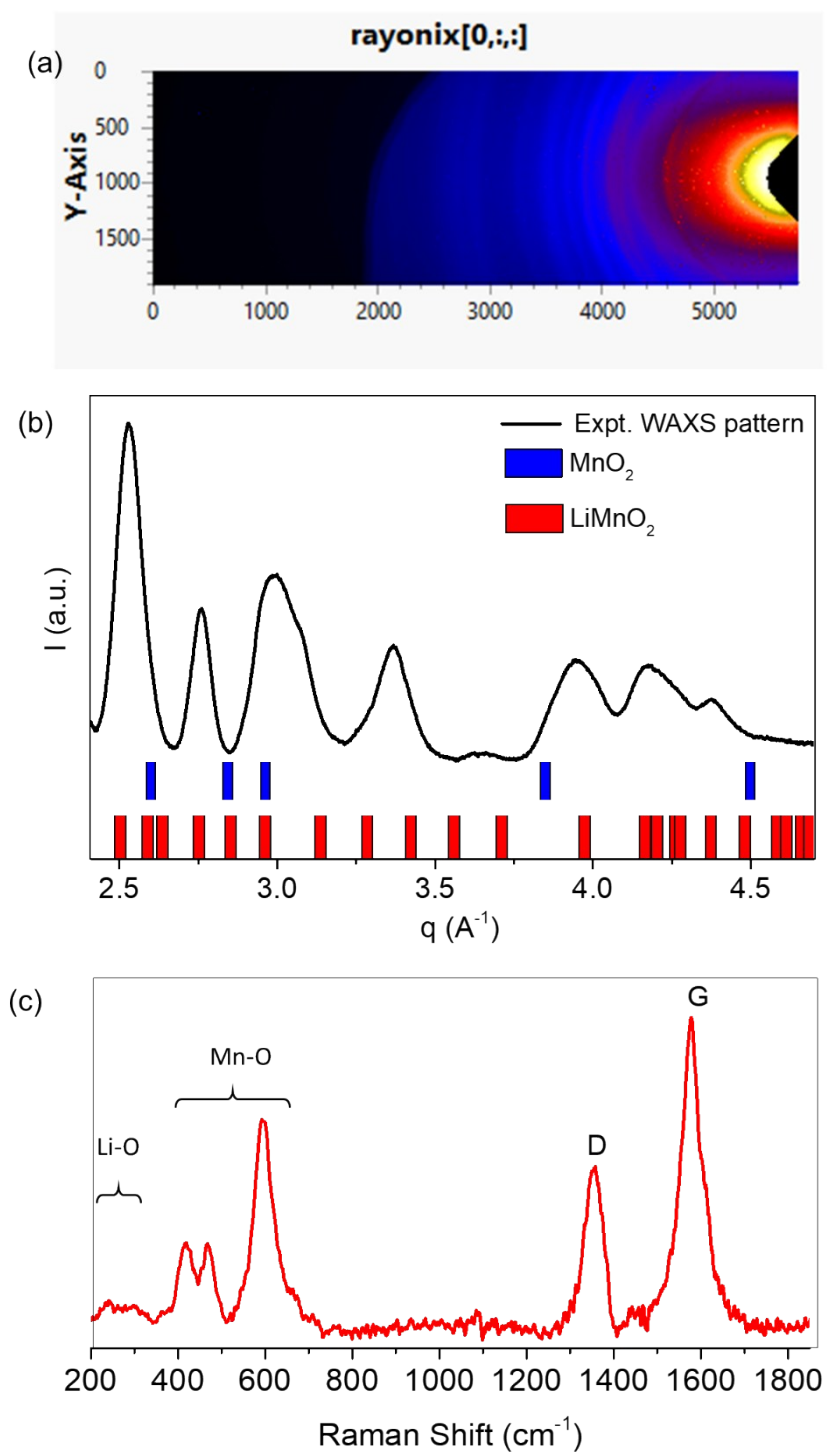


Figure S8. (a, b) WAXS pattern of electrochemically cycled MnO_2/CNTF hybrid after 60 cycles. The vertical blue and red bars indicate the simulated XRD pattern of $\epsilon\text{-MnO}_2$ and LiMnO_2 respectively. (c) Raman spectrum of electrochemically cycled sample after 60 cycles.

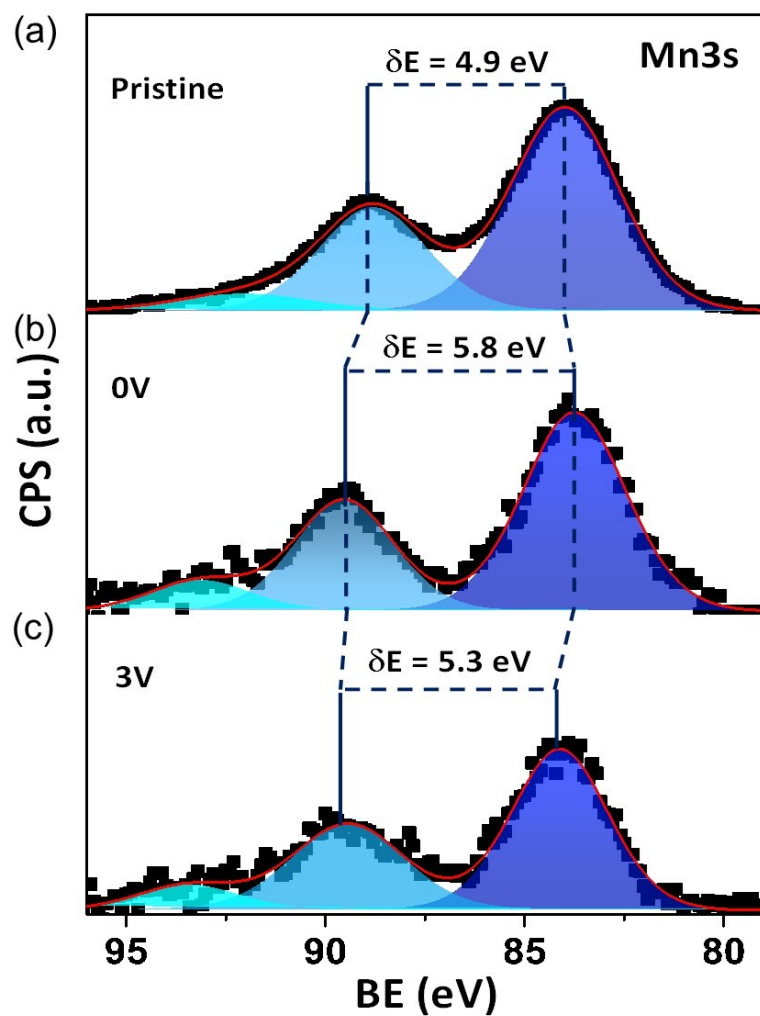


Figure S9. Convolved XPS spectra of Mn3s recorded for (a) pristine $\text{MnO}_2@\text{CNTF}$, (b) sample at 0V after first lithiation and (c) sample at 3V after first delithiation.

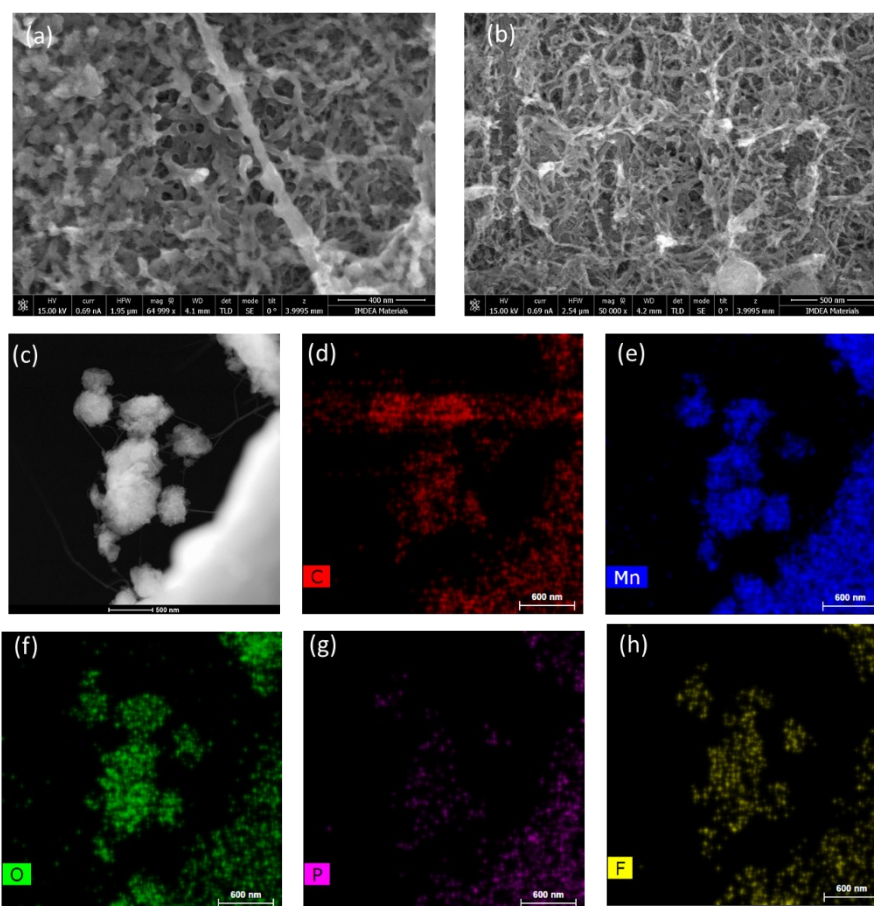
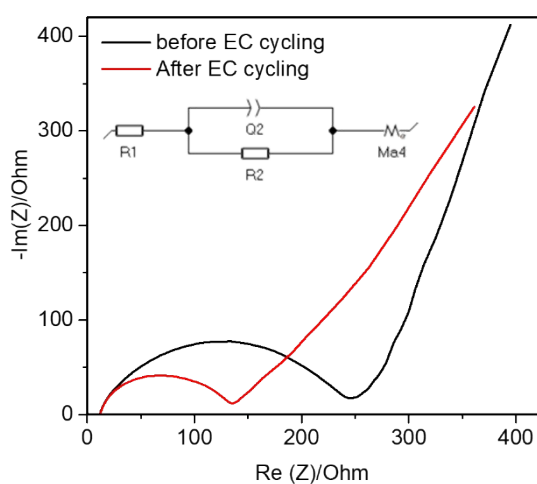


Figure S10. (a, b) FESEM images of the $\text{MnO}_2@\text{CNTF}$ hybrid after lithiation and delithiation process. (c) HAADF and (d-h) corresponding EDS elemental mapping images for (d) carbon, (e)



manganese, (f) oxygen, (g) phosphorus and (h) fluorine.

Figure S11. Comparison of the electrochemical impedance spectra (EIS) of $\text{MnO}_2@\text{CNTF}$ before and after electrochemical cycling. Inset shows the equivalent circuit model. The fitting parameter are listed in table ST1.

Table ST3: Fitting parameters for the EIS spectra of MnO₂@CNTF before and after potential cycling.

Parameters	Before electrochemical cycling	After electrochemical cycling
R1 (equivalent series resistance)	11.16 Ohm	11.71 Ohm
Q2 (double layer capacitance)	13.69e-6 F.s ^(a - 1)	11.76e-6 F.s ^(a - 1)
R2 (charge transfer resistance)	217.7 Ohm	118.1 Ohm

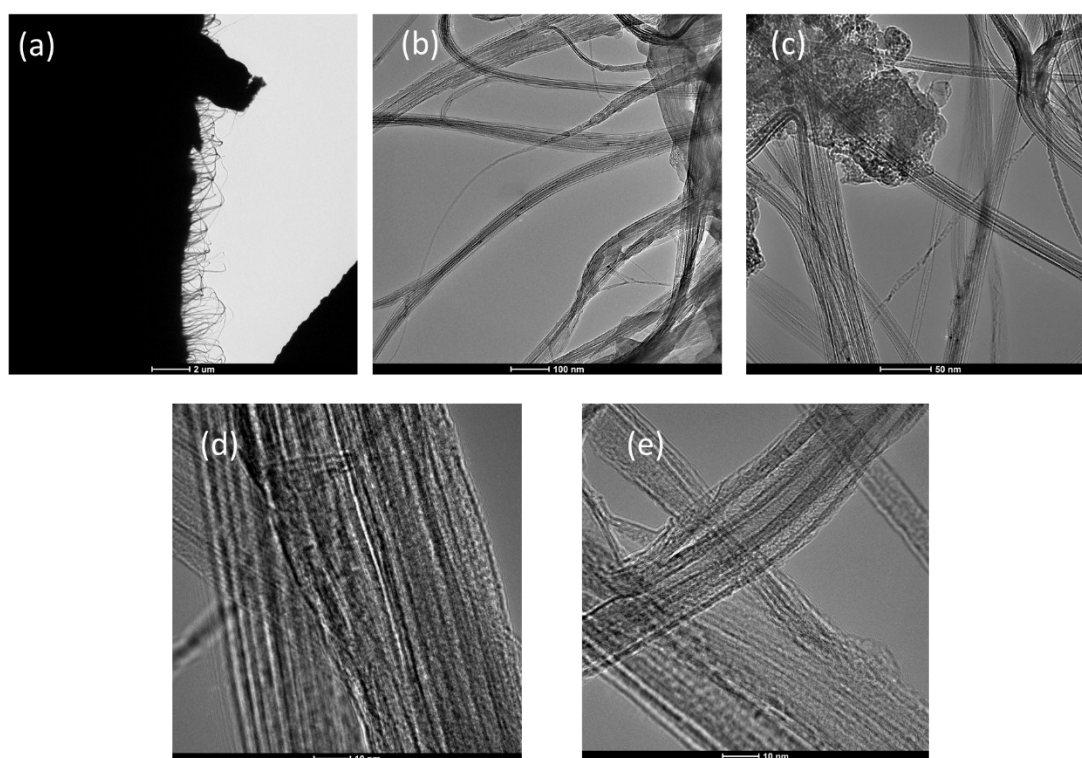


Figure S12. TEM images of the sample after CD process.

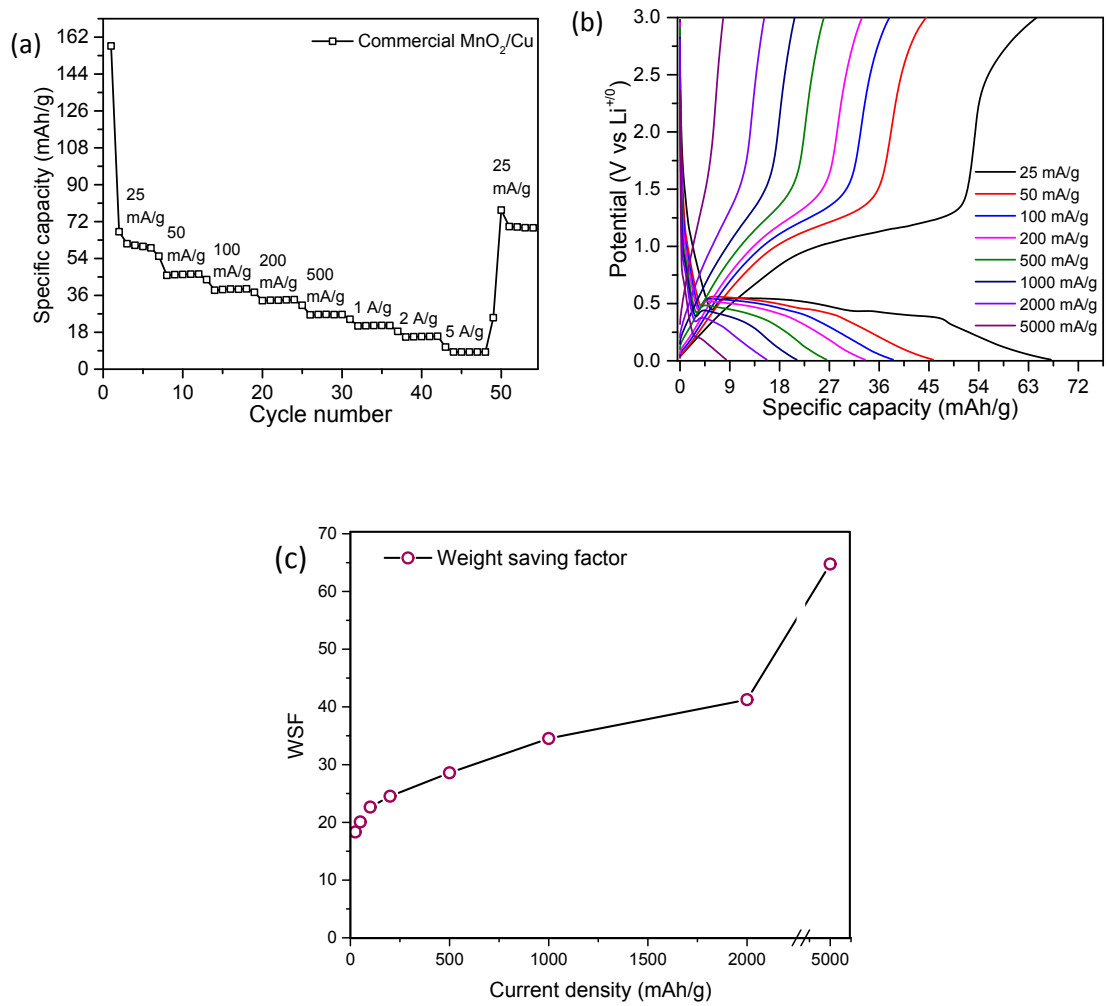


Figure S13. (a) Rate profile and (b) corresponding voltage profiles of commercial MnO₂-C@Cu at different current densities. The specific capacity values are normalized with respect to the total electrode weight. (c) A plot of weight saving factor at different current densities.

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