Supporting Information

Synthesis of Mn₃O₄ nanowires and its transformation to LiMn₂O₄ polyhedrons,

application of LiMn₂O₄ as cathode in lithium-ion battery

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Sample	MnSO ₄	H ₂ O/Na ₂ B ₄ O ₇	NaOH	pH value	morphology
(1)	-	15 mL (1 mmol)	-	10.07	-
(2)	15 mL (1 mmol)	15 mL (1 mmol)	-	8.98	-
(3)	15 mL (1 mmol)	15 mL (1 mmol)	15 mL (1 mmol)	9.69	nanowires
(4)	15 mL (1 mmol)	15 mL (0 mmol)	0.267 M (some)	9.69	particles
(5)	15 mL (1 mmol)	15 mL (0 mmol)	15 mL (1 mmol)	9.45	particles and nanorods

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