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Supporting Information

Inverse-spinel Mg₂MnO₄ cathode for high-performance and flexible aqueous zinc-ion battery

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Figure S1. The SEM-EDS of as-synthesized Mg_2MnO_4 sample.



Figure S2. HRTEM image of the as-obtained Mg_2MnO_4 sample.



Figure S3. XRD pattern of the as-obtained $MgMn_2O_4$ sample.



Figure S4. SEM images of the as-obtained MgMn₂O₄.



Figure S5. A comparison of average discharge potential, specific capacity and energy density between this work and reported materials.



Figure S6. a) The charge-discharge curves of $Zn//MgMn_2O_4$ battery. b) Rate capacity of $Zn//MgMn_2O_4$ battery. c) Cycling stability of $Zn//MgMn_2O_4$ battery.



Figure S7. Electrochemical stability of the full battery surveyed by self-discharge experiments. Specifically, the full battery was fully charged to 1.9 V, then fully discharged to 0.4 V after rest for 24 h.



Figure S8. a~b) The ex-situ SEM patterns of Mg₂MnO₄ electrodes. a) Discharge to 0.4 V; b) Charge to 1.9 V.



Figure S9. Typical Nyquist plots for Zn//Mg₂MnO₄ battery at different state.



Figure S10. a^b) The ex-situ SEM patterns of Zn anode. a) Discharge to 0.4 V; b) Charge to 1.9 V.



Figure S11. a~b) The ex-situ XRD patterns of Zn anode. a) Discharge to 0.4 V; b) Charge to 1.9 V.



Figure S12. The structural formula for the polymerization.



Figure S13. The ATR-FTIR spectra of AM, AMPS, and P-APSA sample.



Figure S14. The stretching test of P-APSA sample.



Figure S15. Reversible Zn²⁺ plating/stripping behaviour on SS



Figure S16. Cycling stability of Zn//P-APSA//Zn symmetric cell.



Figure S17. The CV curves of Zn//P-APSA//Mg₂MnO₄ battery.



Figure S18. The charge-discharge curves of Zn//P-APSA//Mg₂MnO₄ battery.



Figure S19. Typical Nyquist plots for Zn//P-APSA//Mg₂MnO₄ battery.



Figure S20. Typical Nyquist plots for Zn//P-APSA//Mg₂MnO₄ battery after five cycles.



Figure S21. The charge-discharge curve of two batteries connected in series.



Figure S22. The discharge curves of single battery and two batteries connected in parallel.

Table S1 The SEM-EDS of as-synthesis Mg_2MnO_4 sample.

Technology	SEM-EDS ICP-OES			
Element	wt%	wt% sigma	Atom%	wt%
0	36.77	0.29	55.06	
Mg	31.62	0.25	31.16	35.907%
Mn	31.61	0.27	13.78	36.105%
Mole ration of Mn:Mg		0.442:1		0.445:1

Table S2 A comparison of electrochemical performance between this work and reported materials.

Electrode	Electrolyte	Specific capacity	Cycling stability	Ref
ZnMn₂O₄@C	3 M Zn(CF ₃ SO ₃) ₂	150 mAh g 1 at 50 mA g 1	94% after 500 at 500 cycles mA g ⁻¹	1
ZnMn₂O₄@ N-GO	1M ZnSO ₄ + $0.05M$ MnSO ₄	221 mAh g $^{-1}$ at 100 mA g $^{-1}$	97.4% after 2500 cycles at 1000 mA g ⁻¹	2
Mn ₃ O ₄	2 M ZnSO ₄	239.2 mAh g ⁻¹ at 100 mA g ⁻¹	72.2% after 300 cycles at 500 mA $g^{\rm -1}$	3
SSWM@ Mn₃O₄	2 M ZnSO ₄ + 0.1 M MnSO ₄	296 mAh g $^{-1}$ at 100 mA g $^{-1}$	60% after 500 cycles at 500 mA $\rm g^{-1}$	4
MgV ₂ O ₄	$2 \text{ M Zn}(\text{TFSI})_2$	272 mAh g $^{-1}$ at 200 mA g $^{-1}$	74% after 500 cycles at 4000 mA g ⁻¹	5
ZnV ₂ O ₄	2 M Zn(ClO ₄) ₂	312 mAh g ⁻¹ at 0.5 C	82% after 1000 cycles at 10C	6
rGO@HM- ZnMn₂O₄	1M ZnSO ₄ +0.05M MnSO ₄	146.9 mAh g ⁻¹ at 300 mA g ⁻¹	88% after 650 cycles at 1000 mA g ⁻¹	7
ZnNi _x Co _y Mn₂ _{-x-y} O₄@N- rGO	2M ZnSO ₄ + 0.2M MnSO ₄	200.5 mAh g ⁻¹ at 10 mA g ⁻¹	79% after 900 cycles at 1000 mA g ⁻¹	8
MgMn ₂ O ₄	$1M ZnSO_4 + 1M$ $MgSO_4 + 0.1 M$ $MnSO_4$	247 mAh g ⁻¹ at 50 mA g ⁻¹	80% after 500 cycles at 500 mA $\rm g^{-1}$	9
Mg2MnO4	2M ZnSO ₄ + 0.1M MnSO ₄	371.7 mAh g ⁻¹ at 150 mA g ⁻¹	85% after 2000 cycles at 3000 mA g ⁻¹ (compared to the discharge capacity after activation)	This work

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