

Supplementary Information

Facile synthesis of g-C₃N₄ quantum dots/graphene hydrogel nanocomposites for a high-performance supercapacitor

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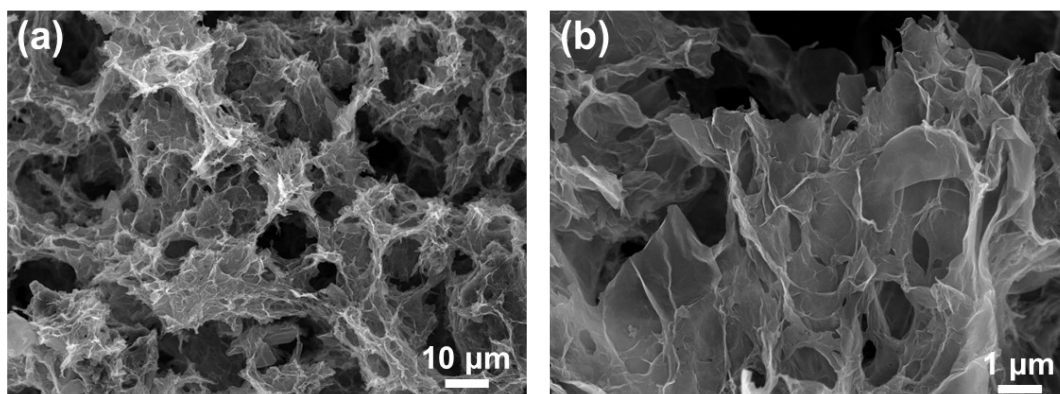


Fig. s1. (a-b) SEM images of GH

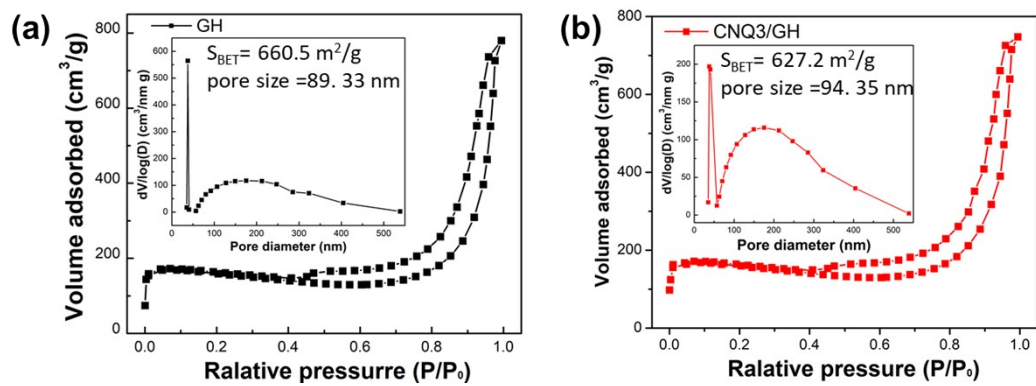


Fig. s2. N_2 adsorption-desorption isotherms and the corresponding pore size distribution curve of (a) GH and (b) CNQ3-GH nanocomposites.

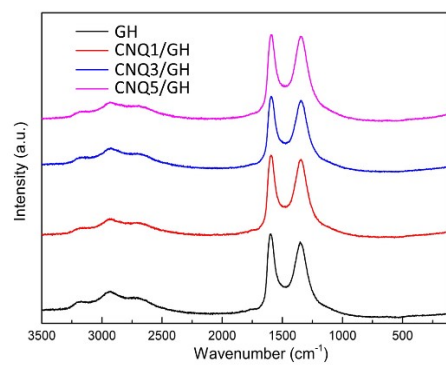


Fig. s3. Raman spectrum of GH and CNQ-GH nanocomposites

Table s1. Performance comparison of graphene hydrogel-based supercapacitors.

Materials	Synthesis	Electrolyte	Capacitance (F·g ⁻¹)	Condition	Potential (V)	Ref.
N-doped GH	Solvothermal method	25% KOH	205	5 mV s ⁻¹	-0.5 to 0.5	[s1]
N-doped graphene aerogels	Hydrothermal process	6 M KOH	175	0.5 A g ⁻¹	-1 to -0.2	[s2]
Functionalized GH	Chemical reduction	6 M KOH	203.9	0.5 A g ⁻¹	-0.9 to 0	[s3]
Highly reduced GH	Chemical method	6 M KOH	190	0.5 A g ⁻¹	0 to 1	[s4]
N/P co-doped porous carbon	Solvent evaporation	1 M H ₂ SO ₄	206	0.5 A g ⁻¹	-0.1 to 0.9	[s5]
Aramid nanofiber/GH	Sol-gel method	6 M KOH	190	5 mV s ⁻¹	0 to 1.0	[s6]
Polyporphyrin coated GH	Hydrothermal process	1 M H ₂ SO ₄	182.7	0.5 A g ⁻¹	0 to 1.0	[s7]
GH microspheres	Shaking process	6 M KOH	179	0.2 A g ⁻¹	0 to 1.0	[s8]
CNQ/GH composites	Hydrothermal process	6 M KOH	243.2	0.2 A g ⁻¹	-0.2 to 0.8	This work

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