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**†3D Graphene-supported N-doped Hierarchically Porous Carbon
for Capacitive Deionization of Saline Water**

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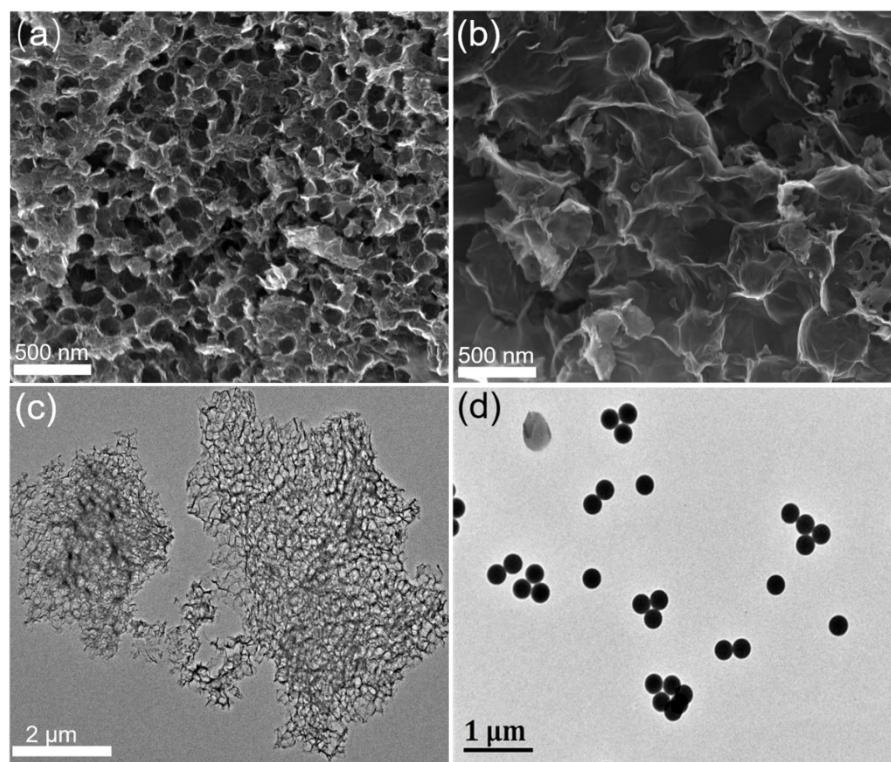


Fig. S1. (a and b) SEM images of the prepared 3DNHPC. (c) HRTEM images of the 3DNHPC. (d) TEM images of the polystyrene microspheres

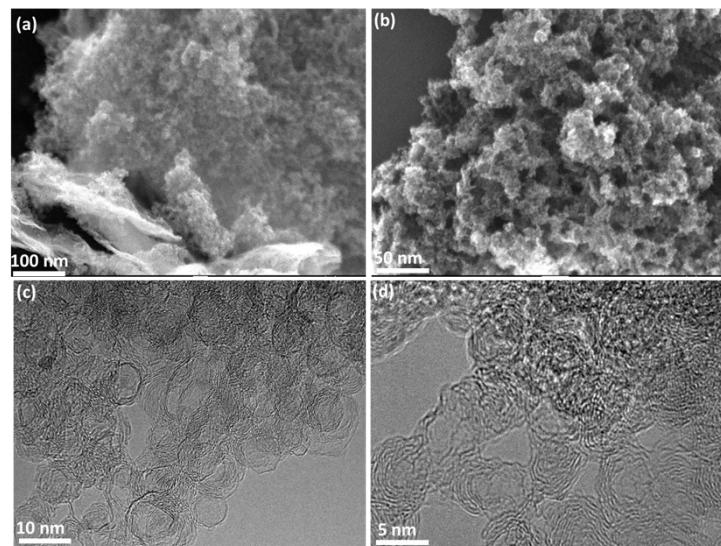


Fig. S2. (a-b) HRSEM and (c-d) HRTEM images of the 3DG.

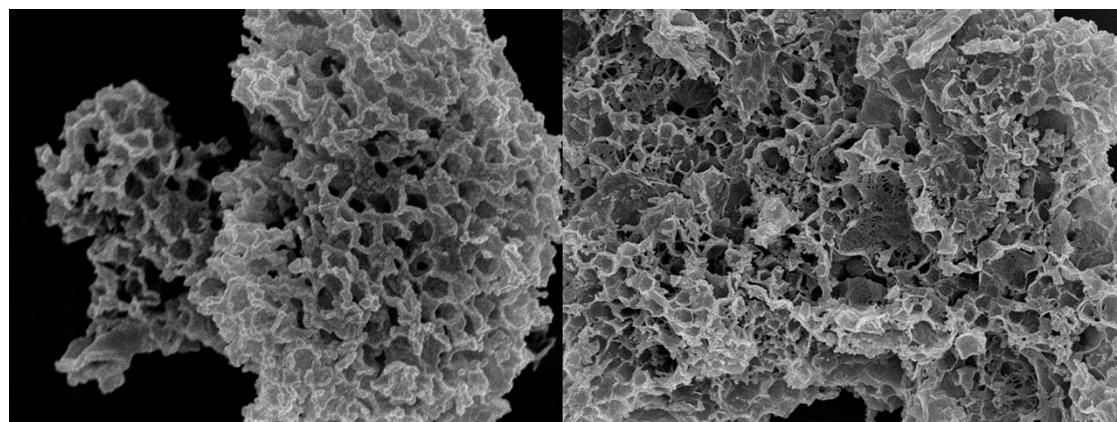


Fig. S3. HRSEM images of 3DNHPC.

Table S1 Specific surface area, pore size and pore volume for the investigated 3DG and

3DNHPC

Samples	Specific surface area ($\text{m}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$)	Average pore size (nm)	Pore volume ($\text{cm}^3 \text{ g}^{-1}$)
3DG	450	31.2	0.35
3DNHPC	650	10.3	0.16

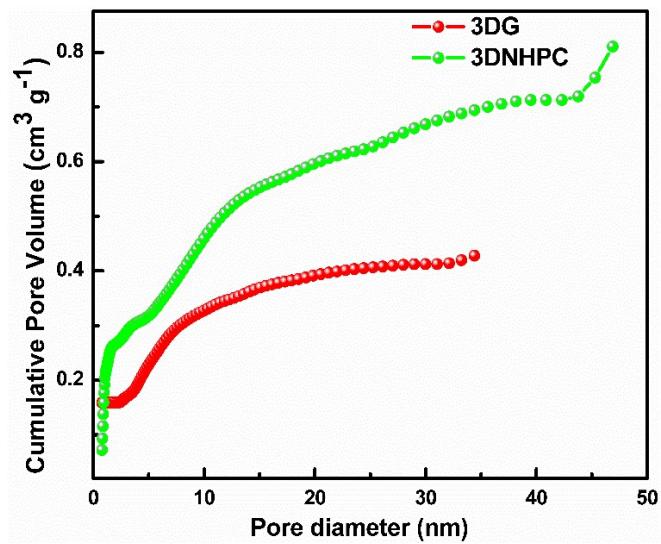


Fig. S4. Cumulative pore volumes of 3DNHPC and 3DG.

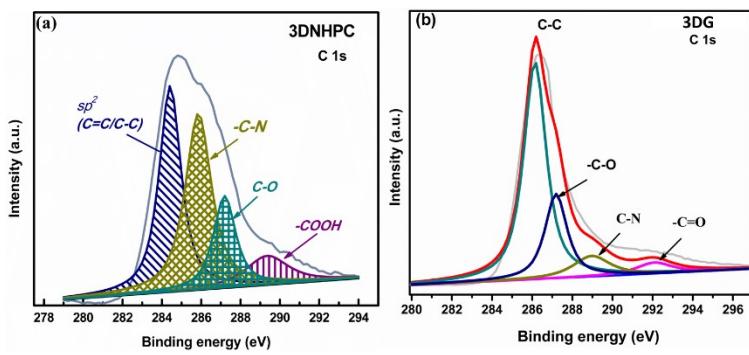


Fig. S5. C 1s spectra of (a) 3DNHPC and (b) 3DG.

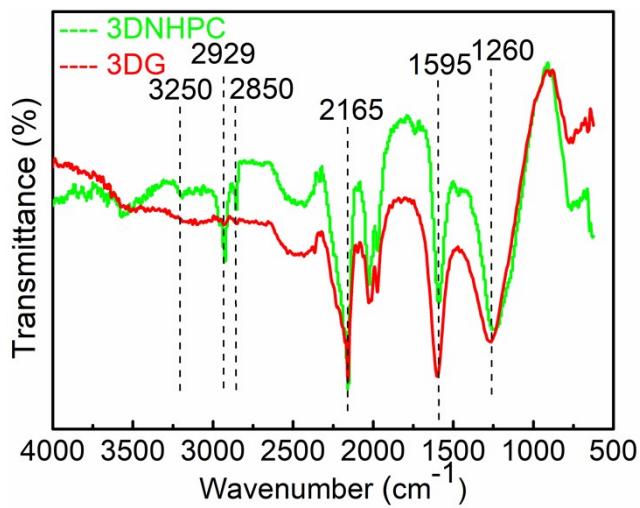


Fig. S6. FT-IR spectra of the 3DNHPC and 3DG

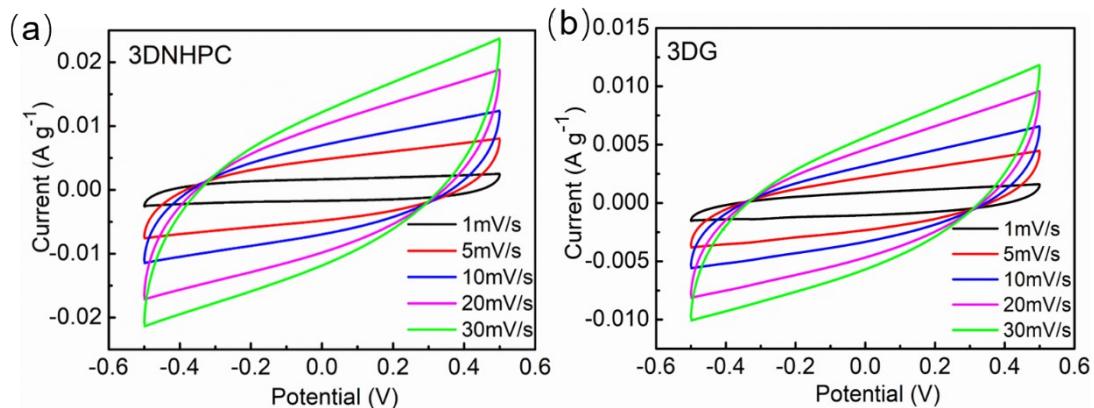


Fig. S7. Cyclic voltammograms of (a) 3DNHPC and (b) 3DG at different scan rate

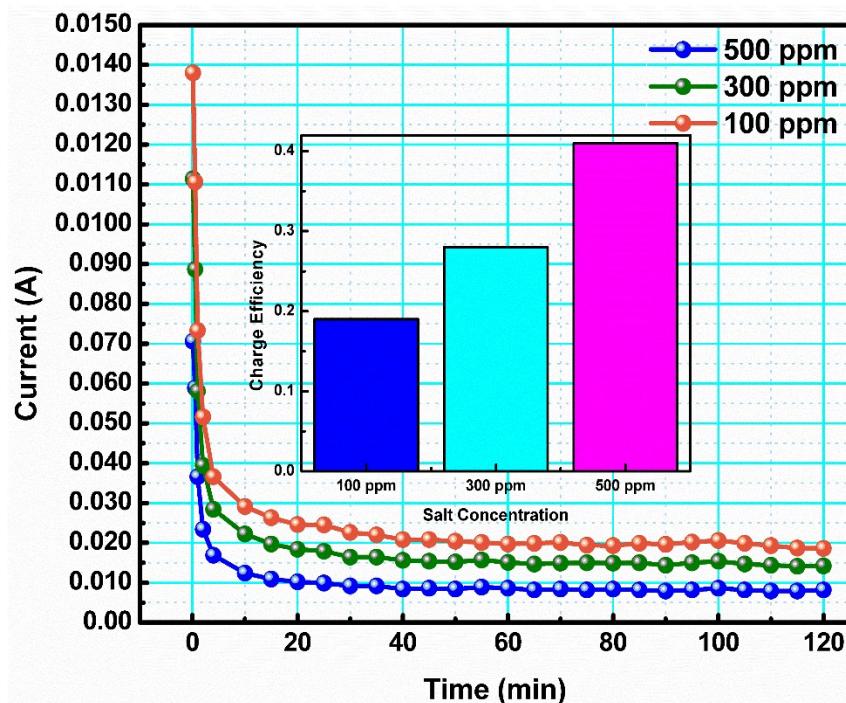


Fig. S8. Current transient and charge efficiency of 3DNHPC in different salt concentration.

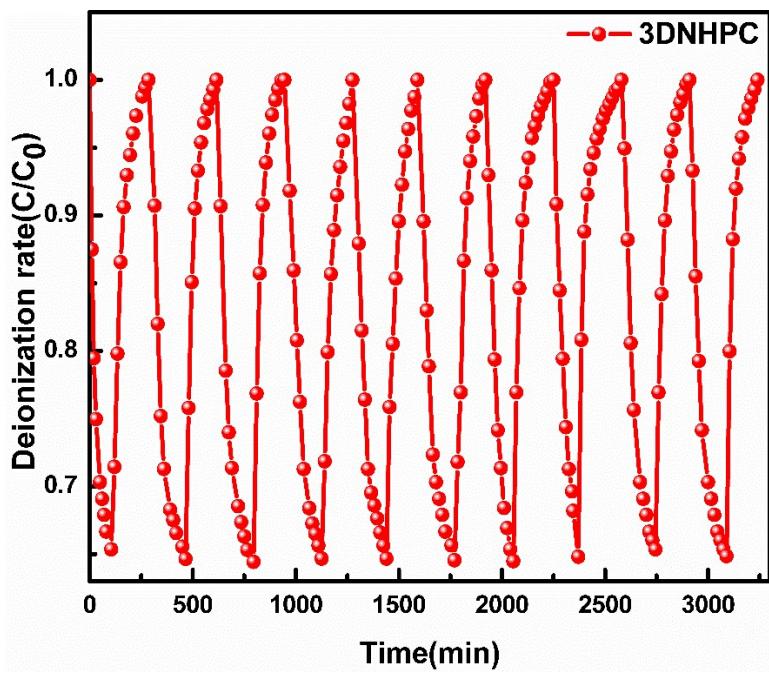


Fig. S9. Long term adsorption/desorption curves of 3DNHPC in 500 mg L⁻¹ at 1.2 V.

Table S2 Comparison of salt adsorption capacity of reported carbon materials.

Electrode materials	Applied voltage [V]	Initial NaCl concentration [mg L ⁻¹]	Adsorption capacity [mg g ⁻¹]	Ref.
Graphene Aerogels	1.2	500	9.9	1
N-doped porous carbon spheres	1.2	500	13.71	2
Nitrogen-doped carbon nanorods	1.2	500	17.62	3
porous carbon spheres	1.2	500	12.8	4
Micro/mesoporous carbon sheets	1.2	500	17.38	5
Graphene bonded carbon nanofiber aerogels	1.2	500	15.7	6
3D Intercalated	1.2	500	22.09	7
Graphene Sheet-Sphere Nanocomposite				
3D graphene	1.2	500	14.7	8
N-doped porous hollow carbon spheres	1.4	500	12.95	9
Layered graphene/mesoporous carbon heterostructures	1.5	500	24.3	10
Porous graphene frameworks	1.4	500	19.1	11
3DNHPCs	1.2	500	25.5	This work

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