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## **Supporting Information**

## **Covalent surface modification of nickel ferrite nanoparticles for electrochemical supercapacitor performance**

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Fig. S1. FT-IR spectrum of NF, NF-Ph-NO<sub>2</sub> and NF-Ph-SH.



Fig. S2. EDAS Elemental mapping of (a) NF (b) NF-Ph-NO<sub>2</sub>(c) NF-Ph-SH.



Fig. S3. Histogram of the particle size distribution of (a) NF (b) NF-Ph-NO<sub>2</sub> (c) NF-Ph-SH (d) table for particle size.



Fig. S4. Equivalent circuit diagram used for fitting NF, NF-Ph-NO<sub>2</sub>, NF-Ph-SH modify nickel foam electrode.

**Table S1.** Value of solution resistance ( $R_s$ ), capacitance (C), charge transfer resistance ( $R_{ct}$ ), and constant phase element (CPE) of (a) NF (b) NF-Ph-NO<sub>2</sub>, and (c) NF-Ph-SH.

Sample	R <sub>s</sub> (Ohm)	C(mf)	R <sub>ct</sub> (ohm)	СРЕ
NF	3.2	2.47	520	Y0=3.87
				N=0.7
NF-Ph-NO	2.9	8.50	310	Y0=2.74
2				N=0.7
NF-Ph-SH	0.4	10.73	278	Y0=1.97
				N=0.8



Fig. S5. Fitted Bode plot of (a) NF (b) NF-Ph-NO<sub>2</sub> and (c) NF-Ph-SH.



Fig. S6. The CV curves of blank nickel foam substrate at scan rate 100 mV s<sup>-1</sup>.



Fig. S7. FESEM image of (a) NF, (b) NF-Ph-NO<sub>2</sub> and (c) NF-Ph-SH after 2000 CV cycles.



**Fig. S8.** PXRD pattern of (a) NF, (b) NF-Ph-NO<sub>2</sub> and (c) NF-Ph-SH after 2000 CV cycles (The high intensity peaks crossing the y-axis are from Ni-foam).