

Supporting Information

Intercalation pseudocapacitance in 2D N-Doped V₂O₃ Nanosheets for stable and ultrafast Lithium-ion storage

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1. Chemicals and Reagents

Table S1 represents the reagents used in the experimental process. All the chemicals and reagents were used without further treatment.

Table S1 Chemicals and Reagents

Chemicals and Reagents	Chemical formula	Manufacturer	Product level
melamine	$C_3N_6H_6$	Aladdin	AR (>99%)
ultra-pure water	H_2O	Sinopharm	>99.5%
Vanadium pentoxide	V_2O_5	Aladdin	AR (>99%)
Hydrogen peroxide	H_2O_2	Aladdin	AR (30 wt%)
Copper foil	Cu		
lithium metal foil	Li		16*0.6mm
Anhydrous ethanol	C_2H_6O	Aladdin	AR (>99.9%)
polyvinylidene fluoride	PVDF		
Conductive agent	Super P		
N-methyl pyrrolidone	C_5H_9NO		
			ethylene carbonate
			/dimethyl carbonate
electrolyte	1 M LiPF ₆	Sinopharm	/ethyl methyl carbonate (1:1:1 in volume)

2. Structure characterization

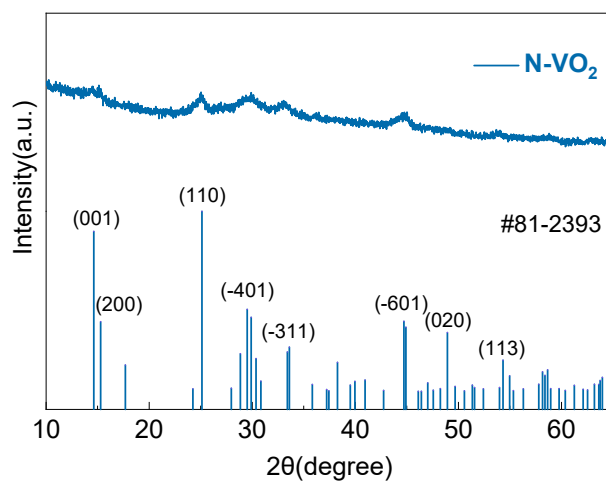


Figure S1 XRD pattern of N-VO₂ sample.

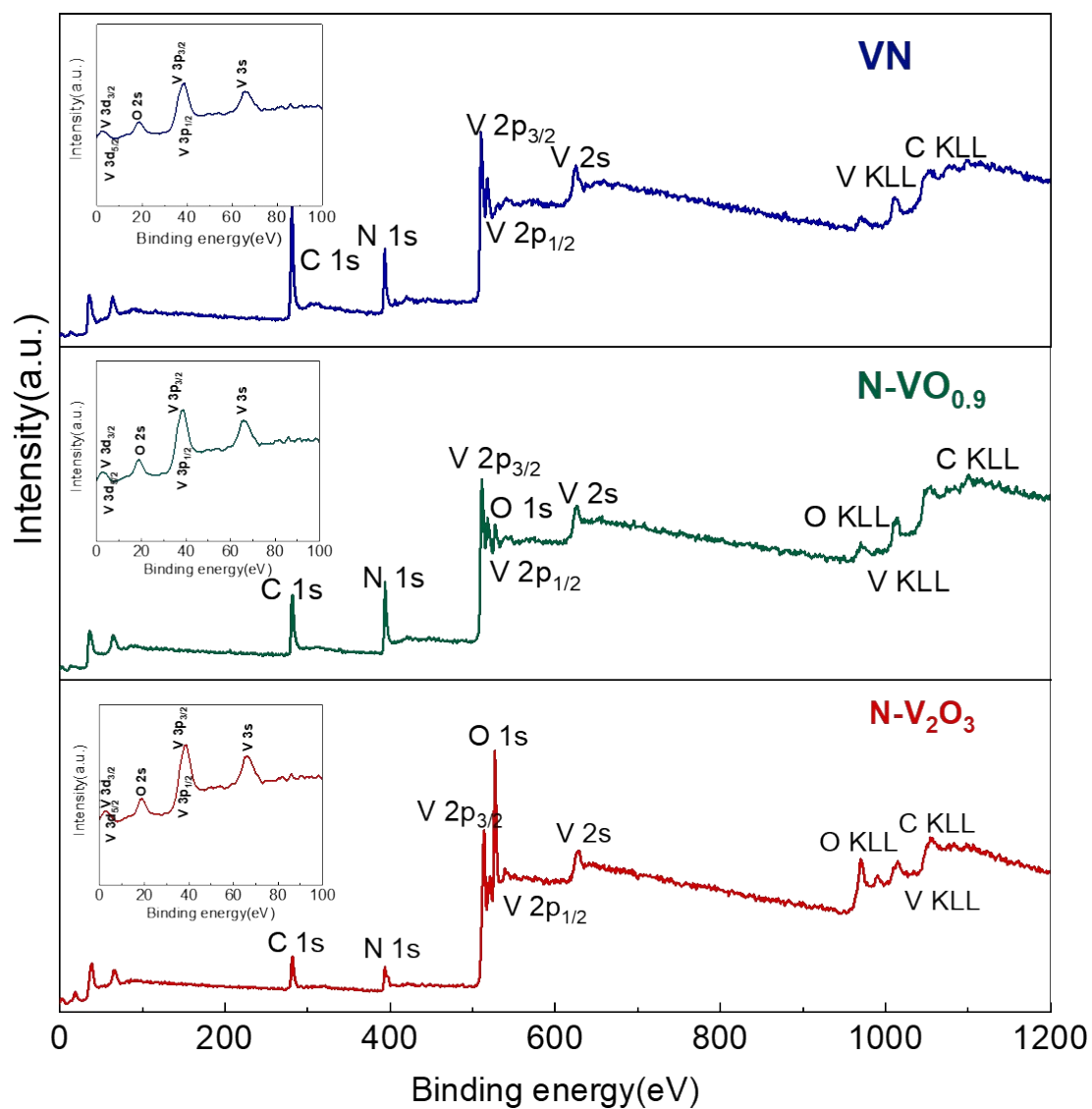


Figure S2. XPS of N-V₂O₃, N-VO_{0.9} and VN samples.

Table S2. Elemental analysis results for N-V₂O₃ samples

Sample	V (wt %)	N (wt %)	O (wt %)
N-V ₂ O ₃	93.6	4.6	1.8

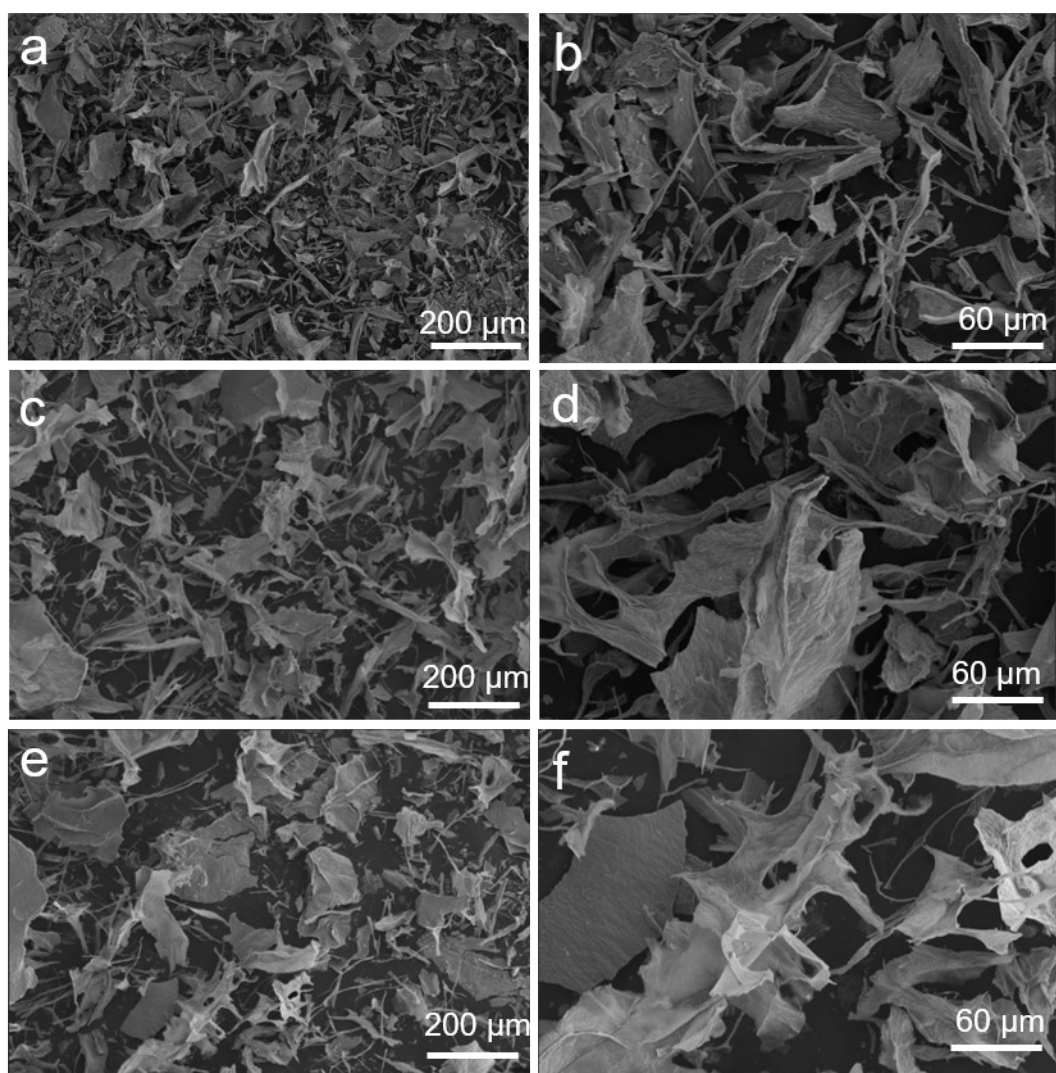


Figure S3. (a-b), (c-d) and (e-f) SEM images of the samples synthesized for $\text{N-V}_2\text{O}_3$, $\text{N-VO}_{0.9}$ and VN samples at low magnification and medium magnification, respectively.

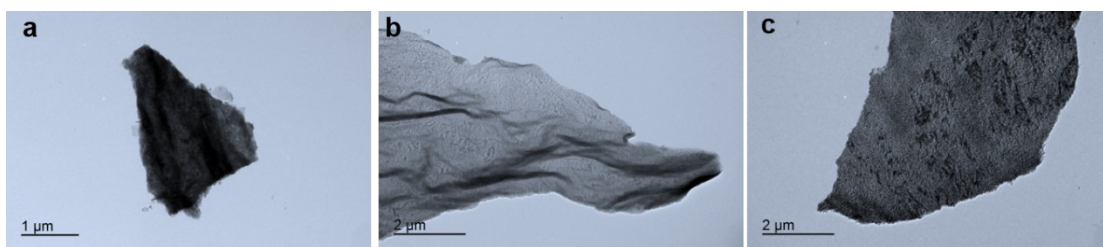


Figure S4. (a-c) TEM images of the obtained N-V₂O₃, N-VO_{0.9} and VN samples at low magnification, respectively.

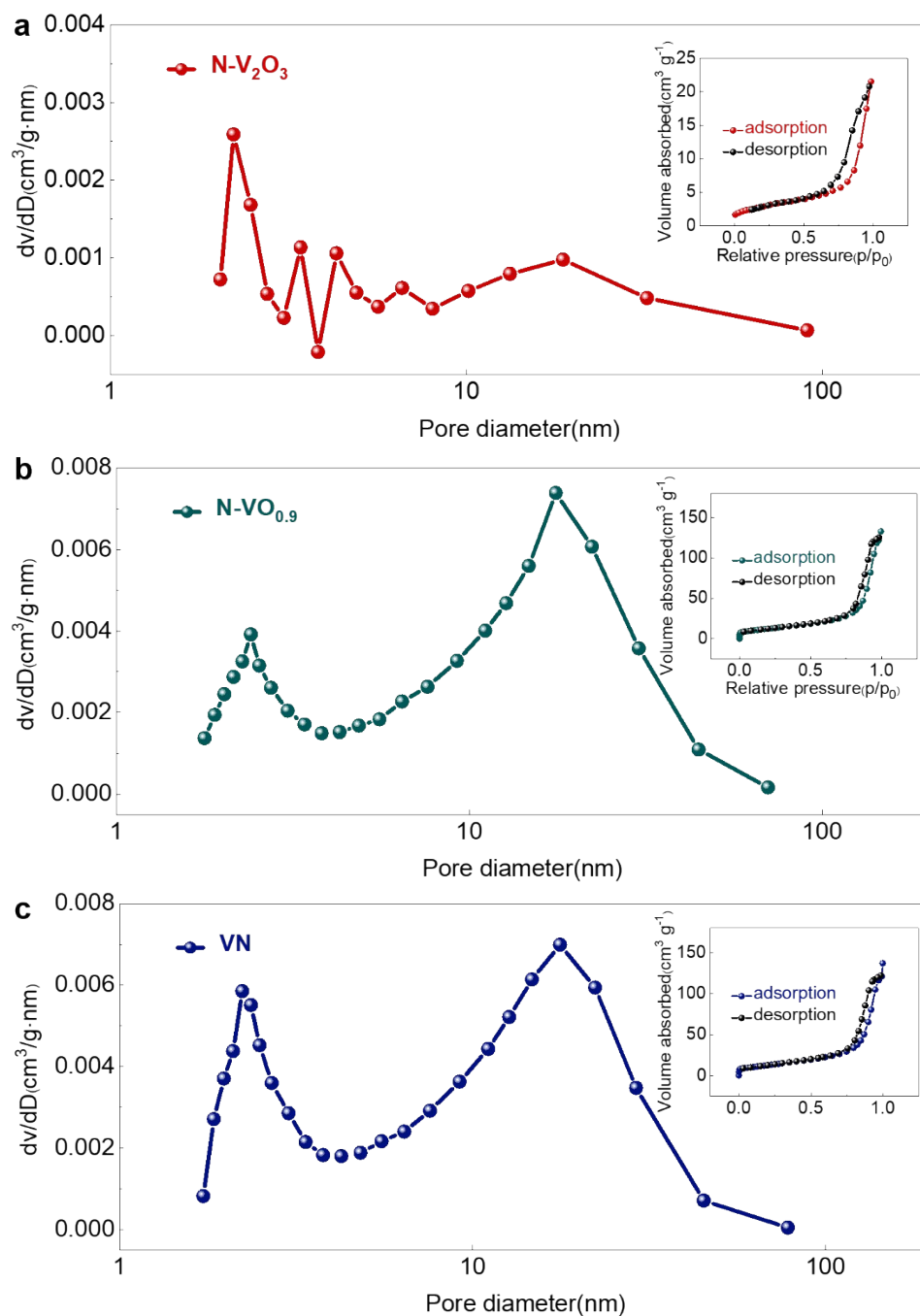


Figure S5. Pore size distribution curve (calculated based on Barrett-Joyner-Halenda (BJH) method) and nitrogen adsorption-desorption isotherm (insert) of (a) N-V₂O₃, (b) N-VO_{0.9} and (c) VN samples.

3. Electrochemical performance

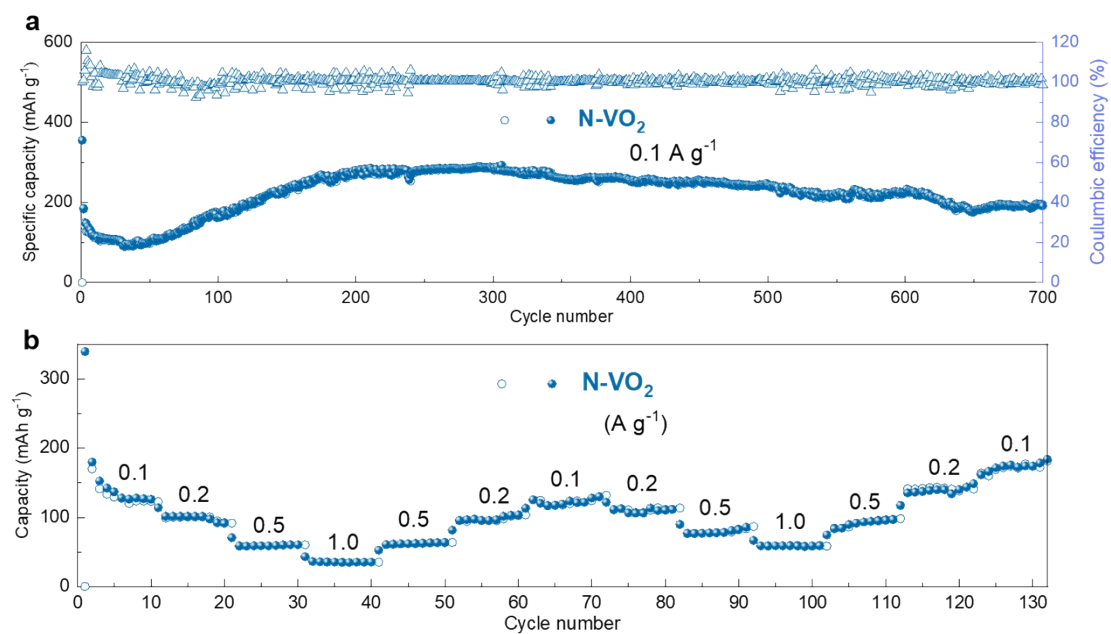


Figure S6 (a) Cycling performances of N-VO₂ electrode at 0.1 A g⁻¹. (b) Rate capabilities of N-VO₂ electrode at different current densities.

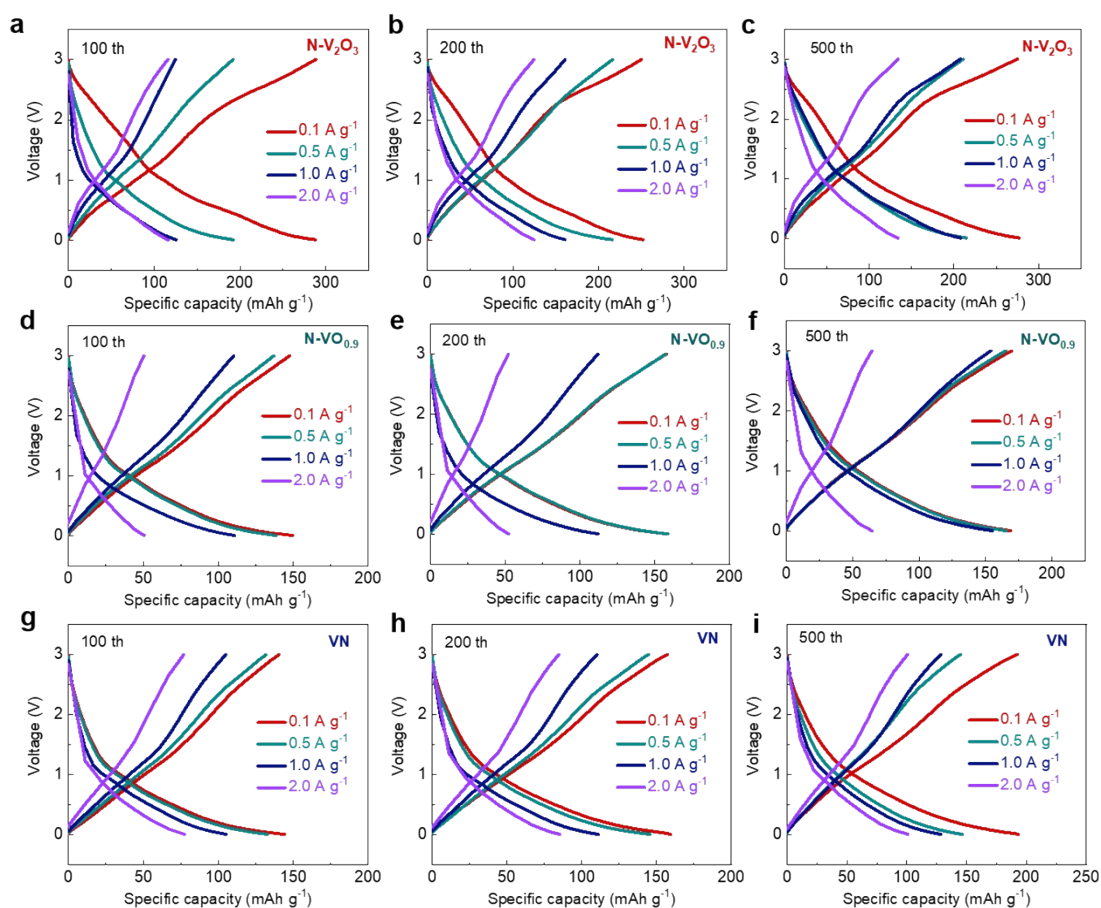


Figure S7. Charge-discharge curves of (a-c) N-V₂O₃, (d-f) N-VO_{0.9} and (g-i) VN electrodes at 0.1, 0.5, 1.0 and 2.0 A g⁻¹, respectively.

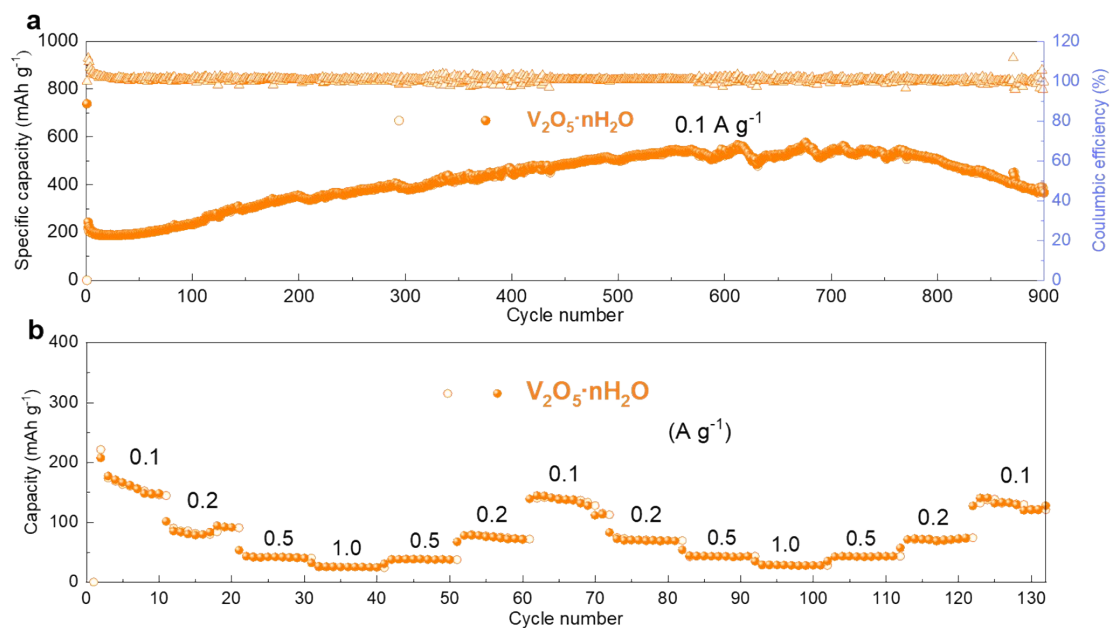


Figure S8. (a) Cycling performances of $\text{V}_2\text{O}_5 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$ electrode at 0.1 A g⁻¹. (b) Rate capabilities of $\text{V}_2\text{O}_5 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$ electrode at different current densities.

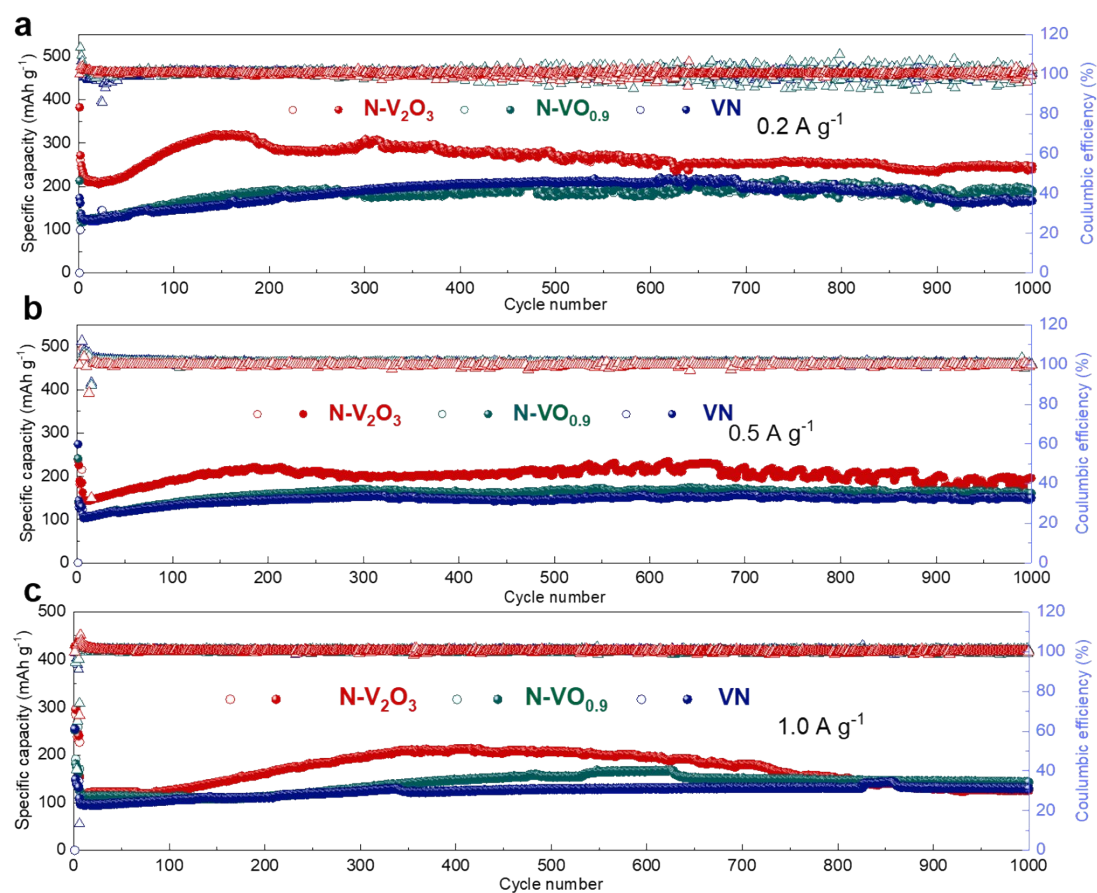


Figure S9. Cycling performances of N-V₂O₃, N-VO_{0.9} and VN electrodes at (a) 0.2 A g⁻¹, (b) 0.5 A g⁻¹ and (c) 1.0 A g⁻¹, respectively.

Table S3 Electrochemical performance comparison of the as-prepared N-V₂O₃ with other reported V₂O₃-based anode materials for Li-ion batteries.

Materials	Capacity (mAh g ⁻¹ / A g ⁻¹)	Rate capability (mAh g ⁻¹ / A g ⁻¹)	Cycling stability (mAh g ⁻¹ / cycles / A g ⁻¹)	Reference
Co-V ₂ O ₃	477.1/0.1	467.6/0.2 470/1.0 444.4/0.5	986.2/630/0.5	[1]
V ₂ O ₃ @C	179.1/0.1	179.1/0.1 162.6/0.2 107.4/1.0	—	[2]
multi-shelled V ₂ O ₃ /C	216/0.1	216/0.1 205/0.2 176/1.0	173/2000/10	[3]
C@V ₂ O ₃	300/0.1	215/0.5	120/500/0.1	[4]
V ₂ O ₃ @NC	523/0.1	523/0.1 487/0.5 384/1.0	317/1000/2.0	[5]
N-V ₂ O ₃	348/0.1	348/0.1 319/0.2 260/0.5	346/1000/0.1	This work

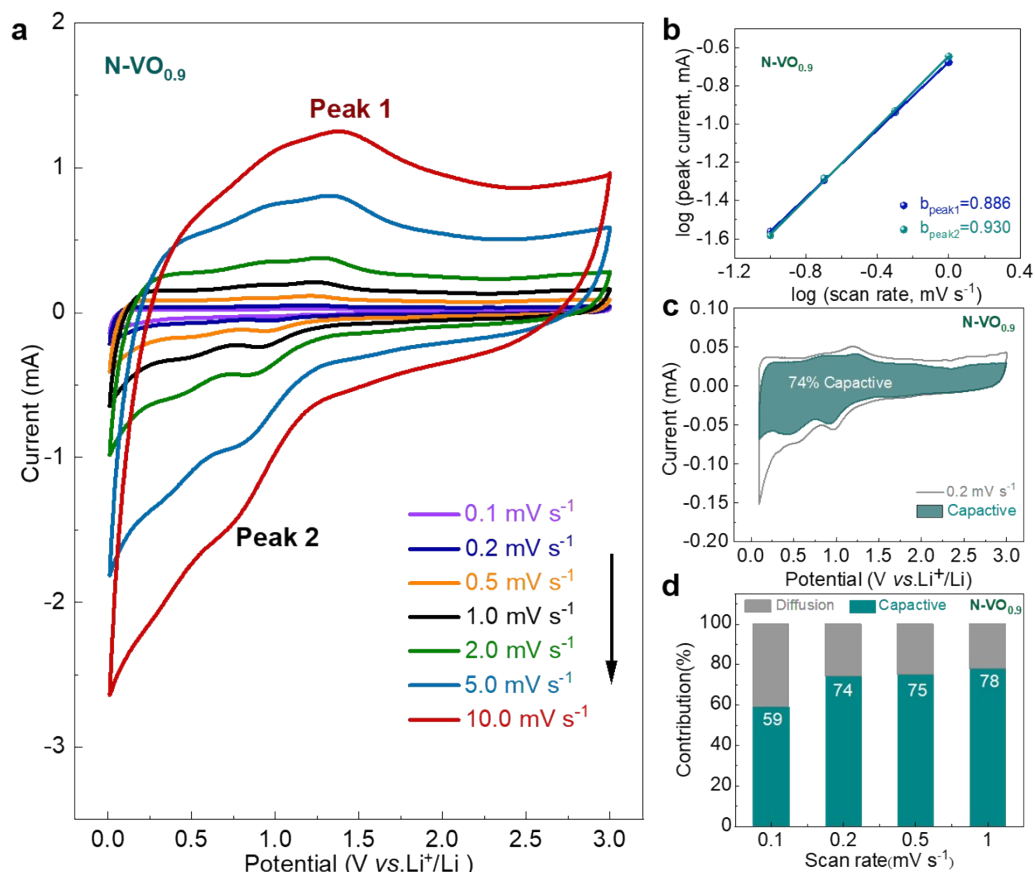


Figure S10. (a) CV curves of N-VO_{0.9} electrode at various scan rates from 0.1 to 10 mV s⁻¹ within a potential range of 0.01 to 3.00 V (vs. Li⁺/Li). (b) Fitted lines and log (peak current) vs. log (scan rate) plot of N-VO_{0.9} electrode at various oxidation and reduction states. (c) Capacitive contribution of N-VO_{0.9} electrode shown by the shaded region at 0.2 mV s⁻¹. (d) Capacity contribution of N-VO_{0.9} electrode at various scan rates.

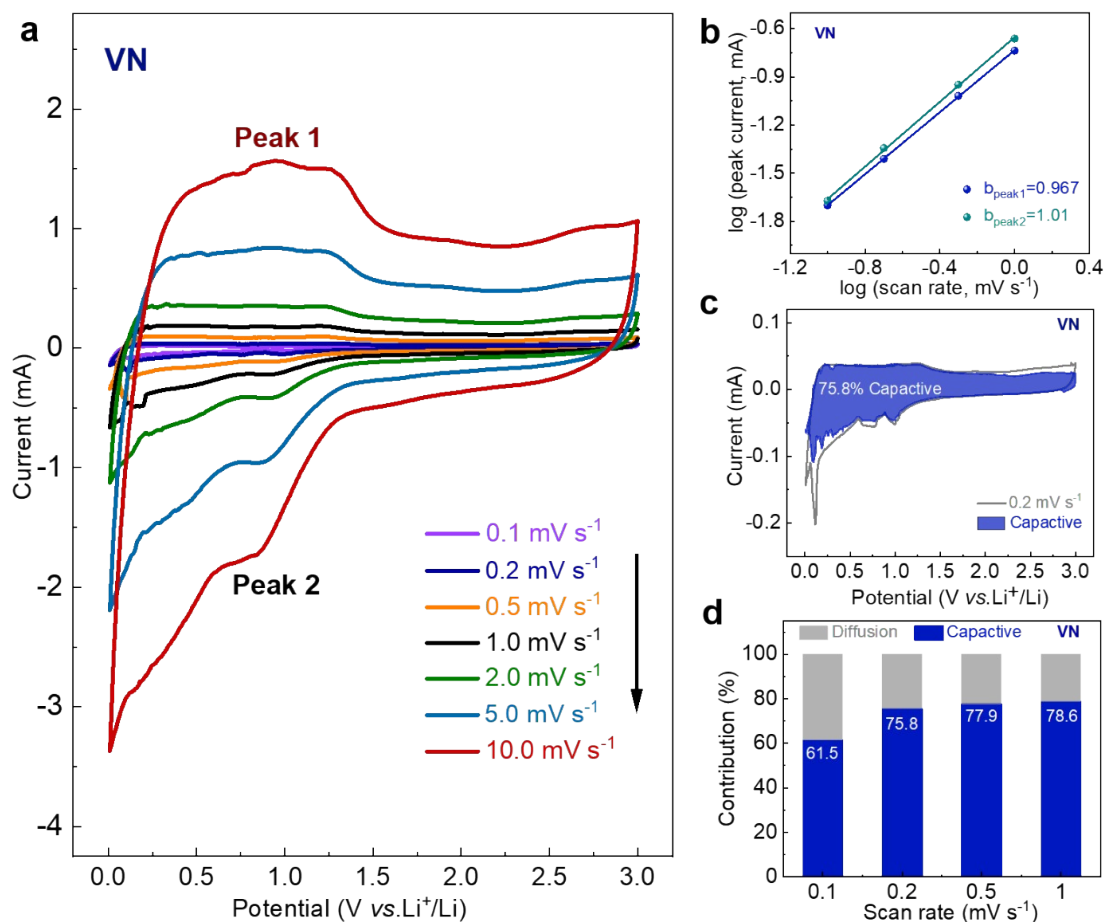


Figure S11. (a) CV curves of VN electrode at various scan rates from 0.1 to 10 mV s⁻¹ within a potential range of 0.01 to 3.00 (V vs. Li⁺/Li). (b) Fitted lines and log (peak current) vs. log (scan rate) plot of VN electrode at various oxidation and reduction states. (c) Capacitive contribution of VN electrode shown by the shaded region at 0.2 mV s⁻¹. (d) Capacity contribution of VN electrode at various scan rates.

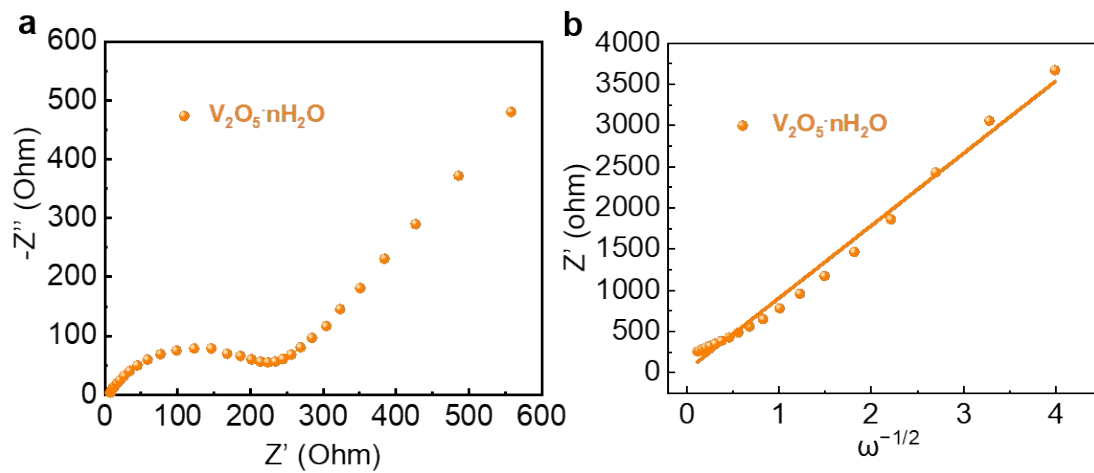


Figure S12. (a) Electrochemical impedance spectroscopy of $V_2O_5 \cdot nH_2O$ electrode. (b) Fitted curves by Z' and $\omega^{-1/2}$ of $V_2O_5 \cdot nH_2O$ electrode.

The Li^+ diffusion coefficient of can be calculated: [6-7]

$$Z' = R_0 + R_{ct} + \sigma \omega^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{S1}$$

$$D_{\text{Li}^+} = \frac{R^2 T^2}{2 A^2 n^4 F^4 C^2 \delta^2} \quad \text{S2}$$

where R, T, A, n, F, C and σ stand for gas constant, Kelvin temperature, the surface of the electrode, the number of electrodes each molecule during reaction, Faraday constant, the concentration of Li^+ , the Warburg factor, respectively. Thus, if it guarantees other same parameters, the D_{Li^+} of N- V_2O_3 electrode is far higher than N- $\text{VO}_{0.9}$, and VN electrodes.

4. Lithium storage mechanism

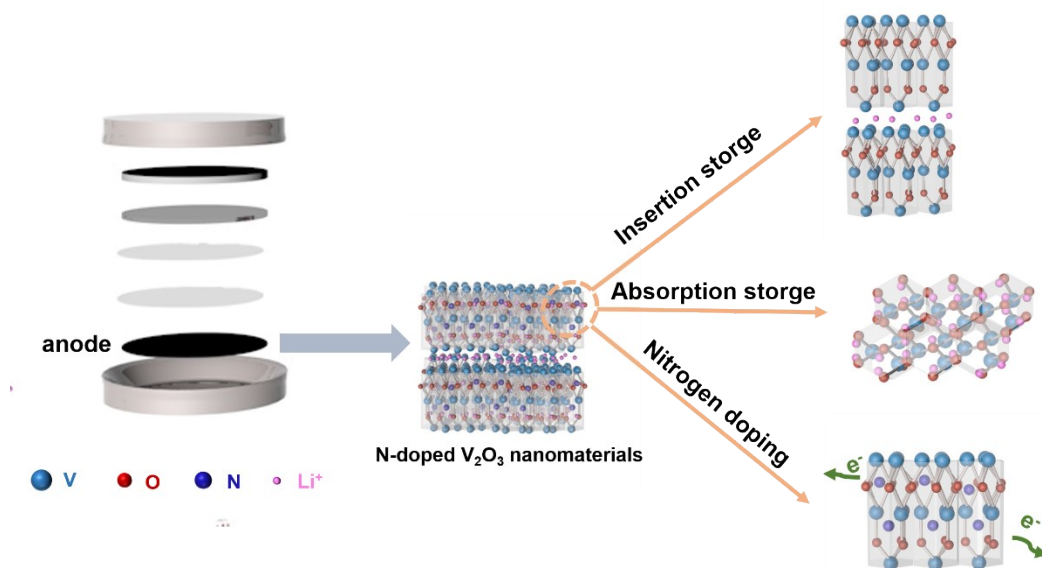


Figure S13. Schematic illustration of Li^+ storage mechanism in the N- V_2O_3 electrode.

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