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Functional utilization of biochar derived from Tenebrio molitor

feces for CO₂ capture and supercapacitor applications

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Fig. S5 Equivalent circuit diagram of biochar materials.



Fig. S6 CV curves of TMFB-700A//TMFB-700A at high scan rate.

Sample	TMF	cow dung	pig manure	chicken manure
pH	6.86±0.03	10.55±0.01	10.05±0.02	10.34±0.04
Moisture content (%)	8.2±0.59	11.64±0.41	12.93±0.13	8.30±0.11
VS (%)	84.45±1.16	78.83±2.00	69.82±0.61	40.66±1.01
Density (g cm ⁻³)	0.36	0.418	0.757	0.776

Table S1 Comparison of characteristics with TMF and other animal manure

Table S2 Comparison	of BET	with	other	animal	manure-based	biochar	and	activated
animal manure-based b	oiochar.							

Sample	Biomass precursor	Pyrolysis temperature	Activation method	Activation temperatur e	BET (m²/g)	V _{total} (cm ³ /g)	Reference
TMFB	Tenebrio molitor feces	500			232.1	0.13	This work
TMFB–700A	Tenebrio molitor feces	500	КОН	700	2081.8	1.07	This work
SB	Swine manure	500			8.7	0.021	1
MB	Pig manure	500	Alkali-fused fly ash	500	7.6	0.014	1
CD-500P -650A	Cow dung	500	CO_2	650	130.80		2
PM-500P-750A	Pig manure	500	CO ₂	750	125.80		2
CM-500P-650 A	Chicken manure	500	CO ₂	650	23.55		2
Swine-Manure- Derived Biochar	Swine manure	750			37.59	0.0438	3
UBC	Earthworm manure	700			38.28		4
WBC	Earthworm manure	700	HCl washing		80.85		4
Fe/CM–biochar	cattle manure	500	FeCl ₃	500	11.1	0.027	5

nZVZ-CMC- PMBC	Panda manure	600	nano-zero valent zinc	/	72.96	0.049	6
GMC-900	goat manure	900			341.6	0.313	7
C-700	Cow manure	700			121.10		8
BC700	Pig manure	700			32.6	0.035	9
DABC700	Pig manure	700	HCl washing		218.1	0.315	9

		Langmuir	Freundlich			
Sample	$q_s (\mathrm{mmol} \; \mathrm{g}^{-1})$	K_L (MPa ⁻¹)	R ²	$K_F (ext{mmol g}^{-1}$ MP $ ext{a}^{-1/n})$	п	R ²
TMFB	2.159	28.103	0.9962	5.079	2.080	0.9933
TMFB-600A	3.428	13.835	0.9843	7.992	1.691	0.9985
TMFB-700A	4.771	15.911	0.9816	11.370	1.743	0.9998
TMFB-800A	4.473	12.363	0.9909	10.306	1.642	0.9966

Table S3 Langmuir and Freundlich adsorption equation parameters

				Activatio	CO ₂	
a 1	Biomass	Pyrolysis	Activation	n	adsorption	D. C
Sample	precursor	temperature	method	temperat	capacity (mol	Reference
				ure	kg-1)	
TMF-700A	Tenebrio molitor feces	500	КОН	700	3.05	This work
	60% wood					
WFW40-K	waste + 40%	850	КОН	550	1.30	10
	food waste					
SCK-800-1	sargassum	800	КОН	800	1.05	11
ECK-800-1	enteromorph a	800	КОН	800	0.52	11
			KOH+			
KMHC	coffee	600	nitrogen-	600	2.67	12
	grounds		doped			
NC-700-1	sawdust	700	urea phosphate	700	1.34	13
	70% wood					
WOND	chips and	950	KOULCO			1.4
WCMK	30% chicken	850	KOH+CO ₂	850	2.92	14
	manure					
			KOH+			
SNK-2	spirulina	800	nitrogen-	800	3.09	15
			doped			
WS900	walnut shell	900	Mg doped	/	1.86	16

Table S4 Comparison of CO_2 capture capacity with other biochar.

Table S5 Comparison of the electrochemical parameters of biochar material-based

Capacitor	Biomass precursor	Electrolyte	Power density (W kg ⁻¹)	Energy density (Wh kg ⁻¹)	Capacitance retention	Reference
TMFB-700A//TMFB- 700A	Tenebrio molitor feces	6M KOH	250	33.39	90.47% after 10000 cycles	This work
AC-700//AC-700	Nut inner shell biochar	1 M Na ₂ SO ₄	700	19.9	97% after 5000 cycles	17
MnO ₂ /NBC/PEDOT	Rice straw	PVA/H ₂ SO 4	706.3	7.8	83% after 1000 cycles	18
WBMs-800//WBMs- 800	wood	2М КОН	227	9.4	111% after 10000 cycles	19
TBC-K _{3.6} //TBC-K _{3.6}	pine tannin	$1 \text{ M H}_2\text{SO}_4$	110	6.7	92% after 10000 cycles	20
HBFC-1//HBFC-1	Hibiscus sabdariffa fruits	0.5 M Na ₂ SO ₄	225	13.1	96% after 5000 cycles	21
NEAC c//NEAC-c	Nostoc flagelliform	1 M	80	22	101.7% after 10000	22

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NFAC-C//NFAC-C	e algae	Na_2SO_4	80	22	cycles	22
FBC//FCBC	Cladophora Glomerata (FeSO ₄ modificatio n)	3M KCl	900	41.5	93.1% after 10000 cycles	23
FBC//MBC	Cladophora Glomerata (FeCl ₃ modificatio n)	3M KCl	900	30.8	99.5% after 10000 cycles	23
BMIMBF ₄ /AN	parasol fluf (Co ²⁺ modificatio n)	2M H ₂ SO ₄	300	46.38	92.2% after 10000 cycles	24
Ni(OH)2-MnO2- RGO//NBKBC	Bamboo (boron and nitrogen co- doping)	1М КОН	264	39.5	72% after 2000 cycles	25

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