

## Supporting Information

### **2D vanadium oxide Inverse Opal : cycling stability exploration as electrochromic active electrode**

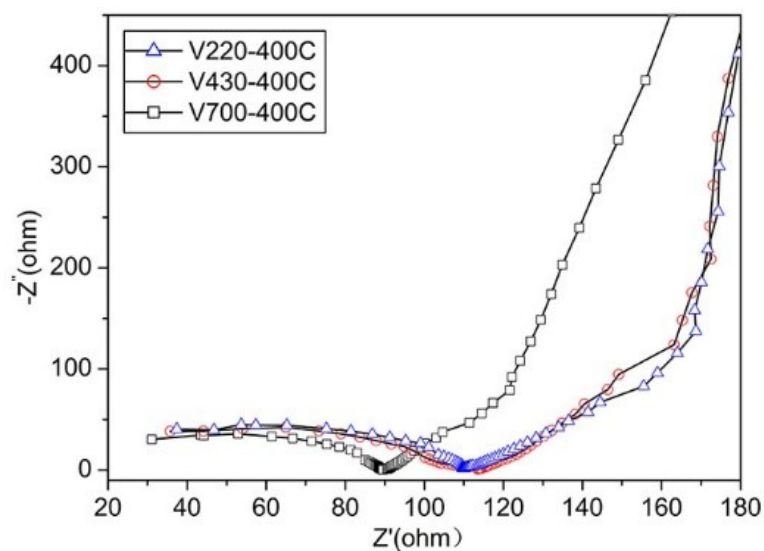
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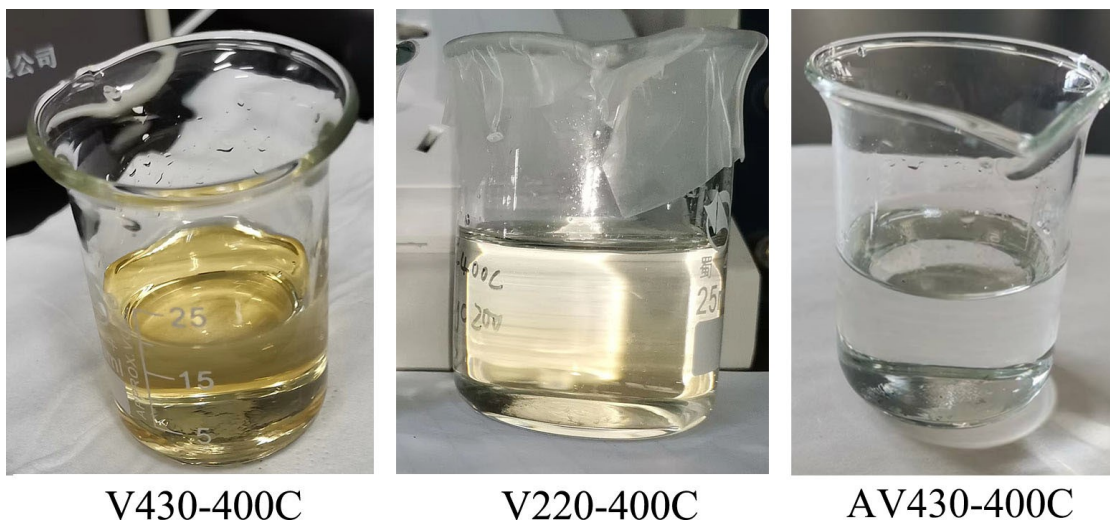
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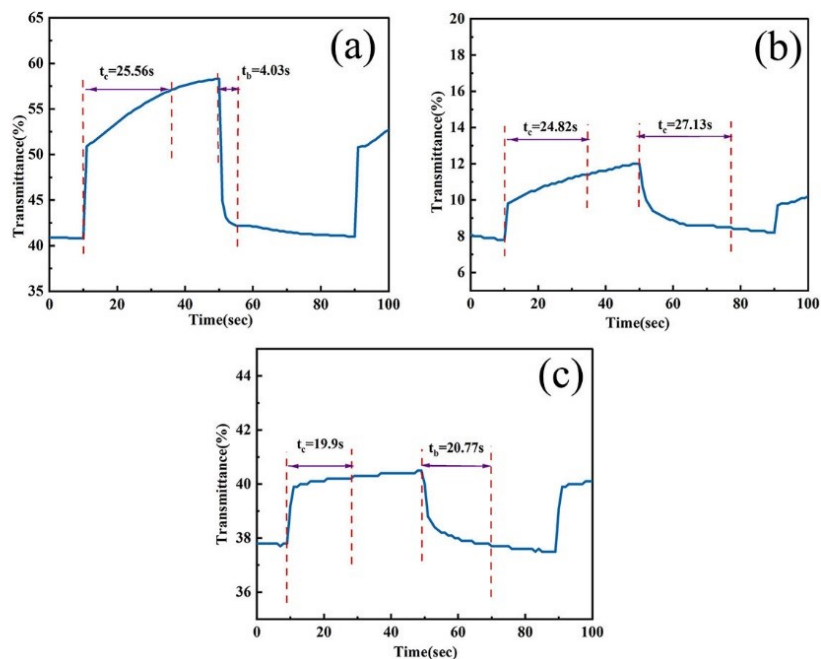
## Figures



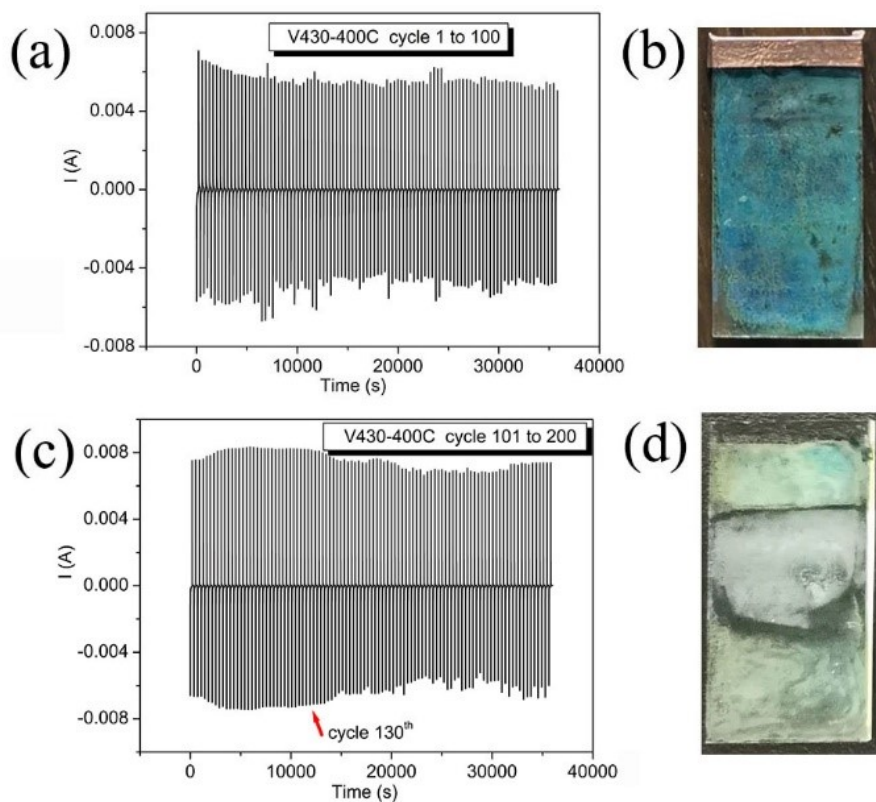
**Figure S1** Impedance spectra of V220-400C (blue, triangle), V430-400C (red, circle) and V700-400C (black, square) samples.



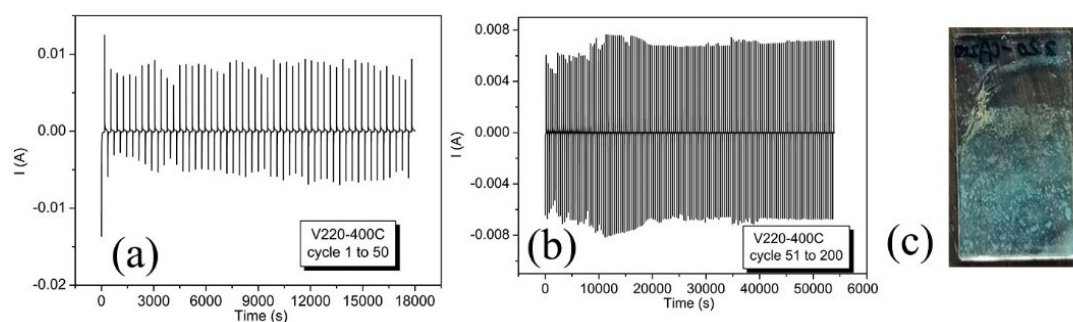
**Figure S2** Electrolyte solution color after electrochromic cycled for 200 times with various vanadium oxide IO as electrochromic active electrode: V430-400C (left), V220-400C (middle) and AV430-400C (right).



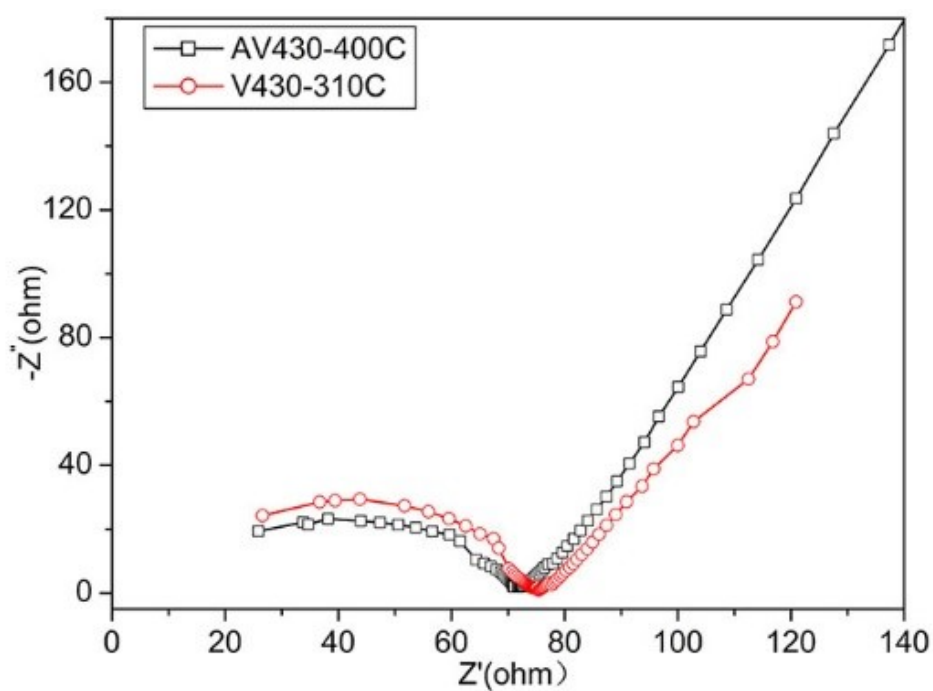
**Figure S3** Time dependent transmittance curves of the ECDs in the 4<sup>th</sup> cycle for V220-400C (a), V430-400C (b) and AV430-400C (c).



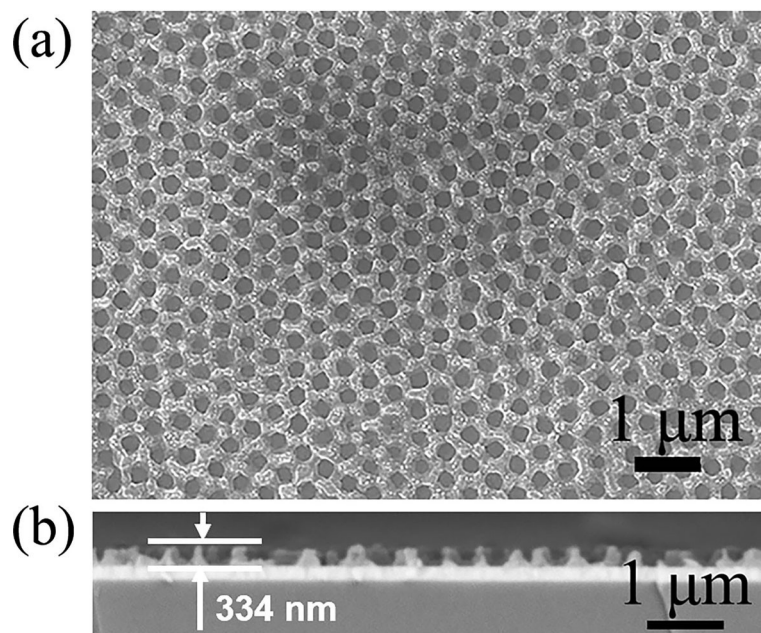
**Figure S4** Room temperature chronoamperometry (CA) and corresponding optical photos of V430-400C after cycling 100 times (a, b) and 200 times (c, d).



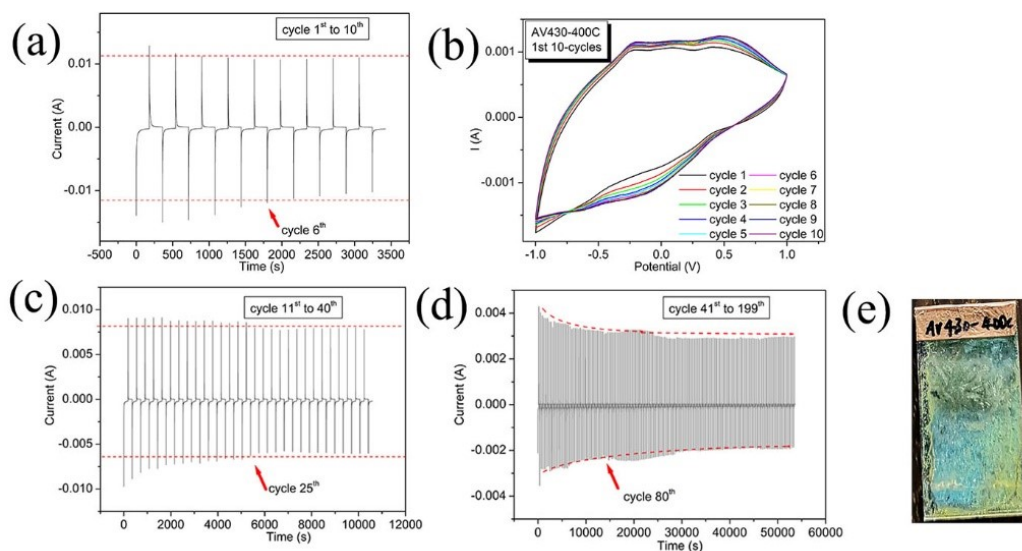
**Figure S5** Room temperature chronoamperometry (CA) of V220-400C after 50 (a) and 200 (b) cycles, and corresponding optical photo of the film after 200 cycles (c)



**Figure S6** Impedance spectra of AV430-400C (black, square) and V430-310C (red, circle) samples.



**Figure S7** SEM (a) and cross-sectional (b) images of sample AV430-400C.



**Figure S8** Room temperature chronoamperometry (CA) after cycling 10 times (a) 40 times (c) and 200 times (d), room temperature cycling voltammetry for the first 10 cycles (b), and the optical photo after 200 cycles (e) for AV430-400C sample

## Tables

**Table S1 Values of Optical density and stability in literature**

| V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>                   | Film thickness (nm) | $\Delta OD$ /Wavelength <sup>a</sup> | stability                            | devices                                                                                   | Ref |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Dense film                                      | 1100                | 0.07/650nm                           | /                                    | ITO/V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> /LiClO <sub>4</sub> /Pt, -0.5 V to +0.5 V               | S1  |
| 3DOM (pore size 210nm)                          |                     | 0.33/650nm                           |                                      |                                                                                           |     |
| 3DOM (pore size 340nm)                          |                     | 0.28/650nm                           |                                      |                                                                                           |     |
| planar film                                     | 200-700             | 0.14/600nm                           | 0.13/60000cycles <sup>b</sup>        | ITO/V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> /LiClO <sub>4</sub> /Pt, -1.2 V to 1.4 V                | S2  |
| planar film                                     | 265                 | 0.19/633nm                           | ~80 % /140 cycles <sup>c</sup>       | FTO/V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> /LiClO <sub>4</sub> /Ag, -0.85 V to +0.85 V             | 36  |
| planar film                                     | 450                 | 0.13/550nm                           | /                                    | ITO/V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> /LiClO <sub>4</sub> /Pt, -0.75 V to +0.85 V             | 37  |
| planar film                                     | 80                  | 0.15/560nm                           | ~50 %/100 cycles <sup>c</sup>        | SnO <sub>2</sub> /V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> /LiClO <sub>4</sub> /Pt, -1.5 V to +1.0 V | 38  |
| xerogel film                                    | 250                 | 0.21/700nm                           | /                                    | FTO/V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> /LiClO <sub>4</sub> /Pt, -2.7 V to +3.0 V               | S3  |
| planar film                                     | /                   | 0.14/630nm                           |                                      | FTO/V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> /LiClO <sub>4</sub> /FTO,                               | 39  |
| Nanorod film                                    | /                   | /                                    | 7.5 %/700 nm/100cycles <sup>d</sup>  | ITO/V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> /LiClO <sub>4</sub> /Pt, -0.7 V to +1.0 V               | S4  |
| Nanosheets film                                 | 40                  | /                                    | 65 %/100 cycles <sup>c</sup>         | PET/ITO/V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> /LiClO <sub>4</sub> /Pt, -1 V to +1 V               | S5  |
| SnO <sub>2</sub> /V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> | 200                 | /                                    | 86 %/450 nm/2000 cycles <sup>d</sup> | ITO/V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> /LiClO <sub>4</sub> /Pt, -1 V to +1.8 V                 | 53  |
| V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>                   |                     |                                      | 10%/450 nm/300 cycles <sup>d</sup>   |                                                                                           |     |
| planar film                                     | /                   | /                                    | 46 %/100 cycles <sup>c</sup>         | V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> /LiClO <sub>4</sub> /Pt, -1.5 V to +1 V                     | S6  |
| nanosheet                                       | /                   | /                                    | 68 %/300 cycles <sup>c</sup>         | /                                                                                         | S7  |
| nanobelts                                       | /                   | /                                    | 39 %/80 cycles                       | V <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> /LiNO <sub>3</sub> /Ni, -0.4 V to +0.8 V                    | S8  |

<sup>a</sup>, optical density (OD) for the 1<sup>st</sup> cycle

<sup>b</sup>, optical density (OD) for certain cycles

<sup>c</sup>, electrochemical capacity retention

<sup>d</sup>, optical contrast retention

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