

Investigating the role of interstitial water molecules in copper hexacyanoferrates for sodium-ion battery cathodes

Donghyeon Kim[†], Ahreum Choi^{†,}, Changhyun Park, Min-Ho Kim, Hyun-Wook Lee**

School of Energy and Chemical Engineering, Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology (UNIST), Ulsan 44919, Republic of Korea

[†]These authors contributed equally to this work.

*Corresponding author: archoi0210@unist.ac.kr (A.C.), hyunwooklee@unist.ac.kr (H.-W.L.)

Table S1 | The Results of ICP Analysis of CuHCF_e-1.4H₂O, CuHCF_e-1.6H₂O, and CuHCF_e-1.8H₂O.

mg/kg	Cu	Fe
CuHCF _e -1.4H ₂ O	245660	141986
CuHCF _e -1.6H ₂ O	231223	134597
CuHCF _e -1.8H ₂ O	232902	137121

Table S2 | The Results of EA of CuHCF_E-1.4H₂O, CuHCF_E-1.6H₂O, and CuHCF_E-1.8H₂O for C and N.

wt%	C	N
CuHCF _E -1.4H ₂ O	22.68	23.42
CuHCF _E -1.6H ₂ O	23.33	24.73
CuHCF _E -1.8H ₂ O	23.55	24.71

Table S3 | The Chemical Formula of CuHCF_e-1.8H₂O and CuHCF_e-1.4H₂O at Pristine State, SOC 0 and SOC 100.

	Pristine	SOC 0	SOC 100
CuHCF _e -1.8H ₂ O	Cu[Fe(CN) ₆] _{0.658} ·1.75H ₂ O	Na _{0.488} Cu[Fe(CN) ₆] _{0.657} ·2.88H ₂ O	Na _{0.279} Cu[Fe(CN) ₆] _{0.673} ·2.12H ₂ O
CuHCF _e -1.4H ₂ O	Cu[Fe(CN) ₆] _{0.670} ·1.41H ₂ O	Na _{0.611} Cu[Fe(CN) ₆] _{0.667} ·3.87H ₂ O	Na _{0.291} Cu[Fe(CN) ₆] _{0.674} ·2.07H ₂ O

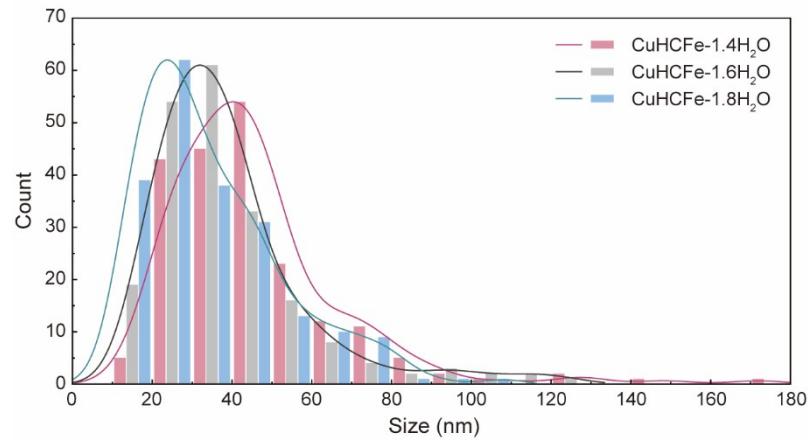


Figure S1 | The Particle Size Distribution of CuHCFe Samples.

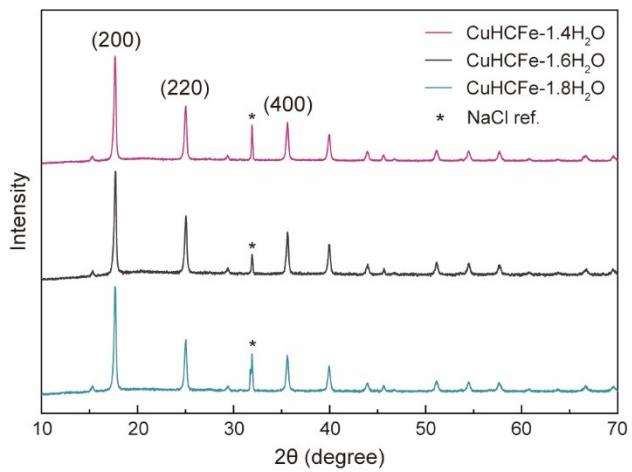


Figure S2 | The XRD Spectra of CuHCFE Samples. The structures of CuHCFE-1.4H₂O, CuHCFE-1.6H₂O, and CuHCFE-1.8H₂O are cubic.

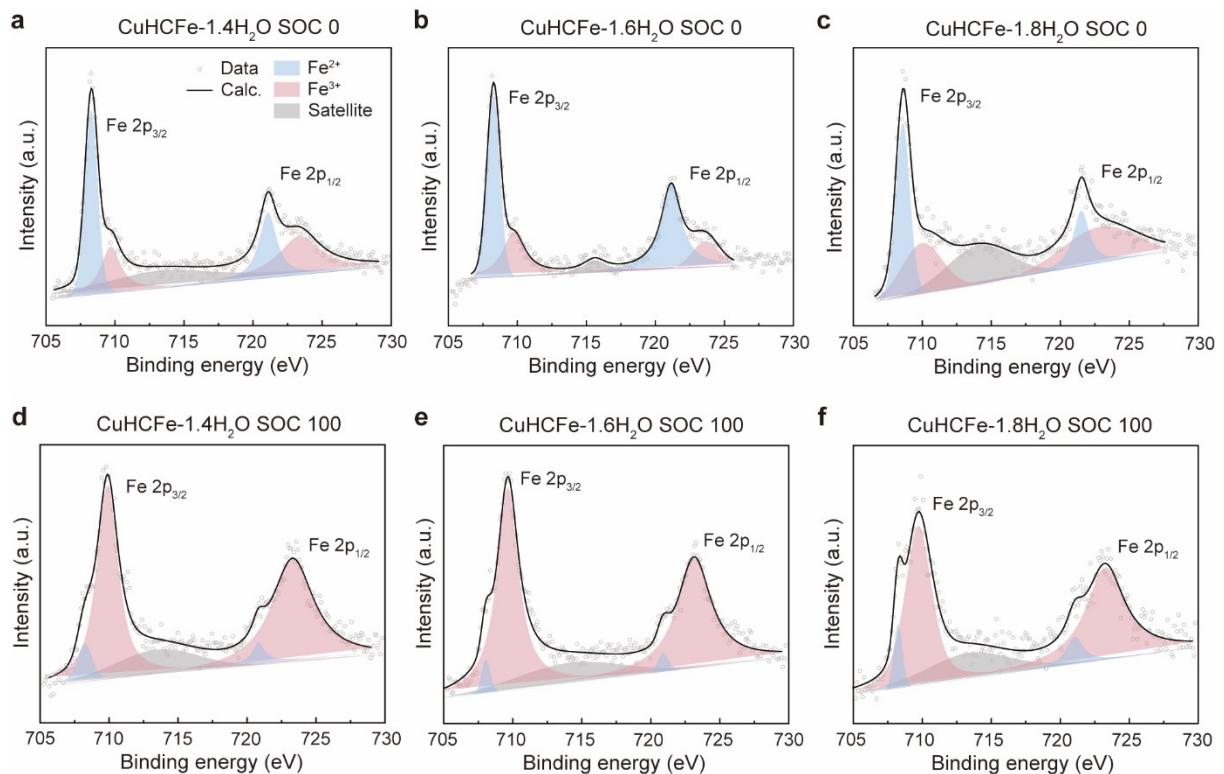


Figure S3 | The X-ray Photoelectron Spectroscopy (XPS) Spectra of Fe 2p. CuHCFe Electrode in Aqueous Electrolyte. a-c) The XPS Spectra of a) CuHCFe-1.4H₂O, b) CuHCFe-1.6H₂O, and c) CuHCFe-1.8H₂O at SOC 0. d-f) The XPS Spectra of d) CuHCFe-1.4H₂O, e) CuHCFe-1.6H₂O, and f) CuHCFe-1.8H₂O at SOC 100.

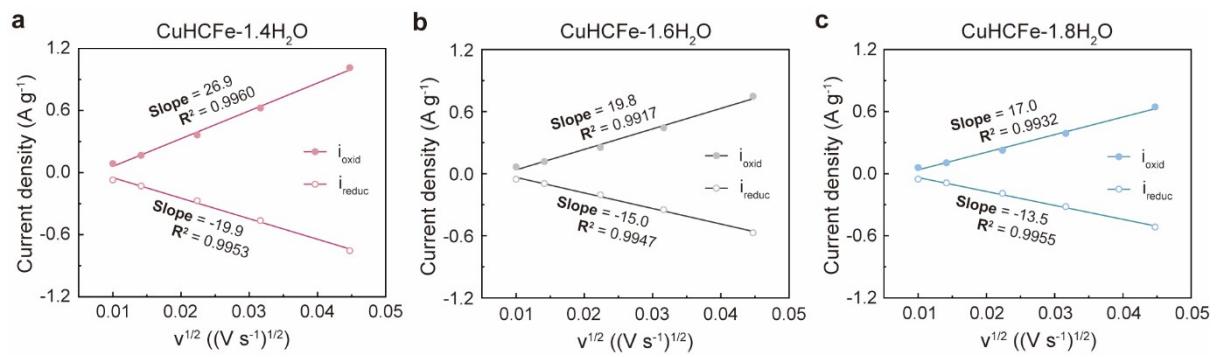


Figure S4 | Scan Rate-current Density Graph of a) CuHCFe-1.4H₂O, b) CuHCFe-1.6H₂O, and c) CuHCFe-1.8H₂O.

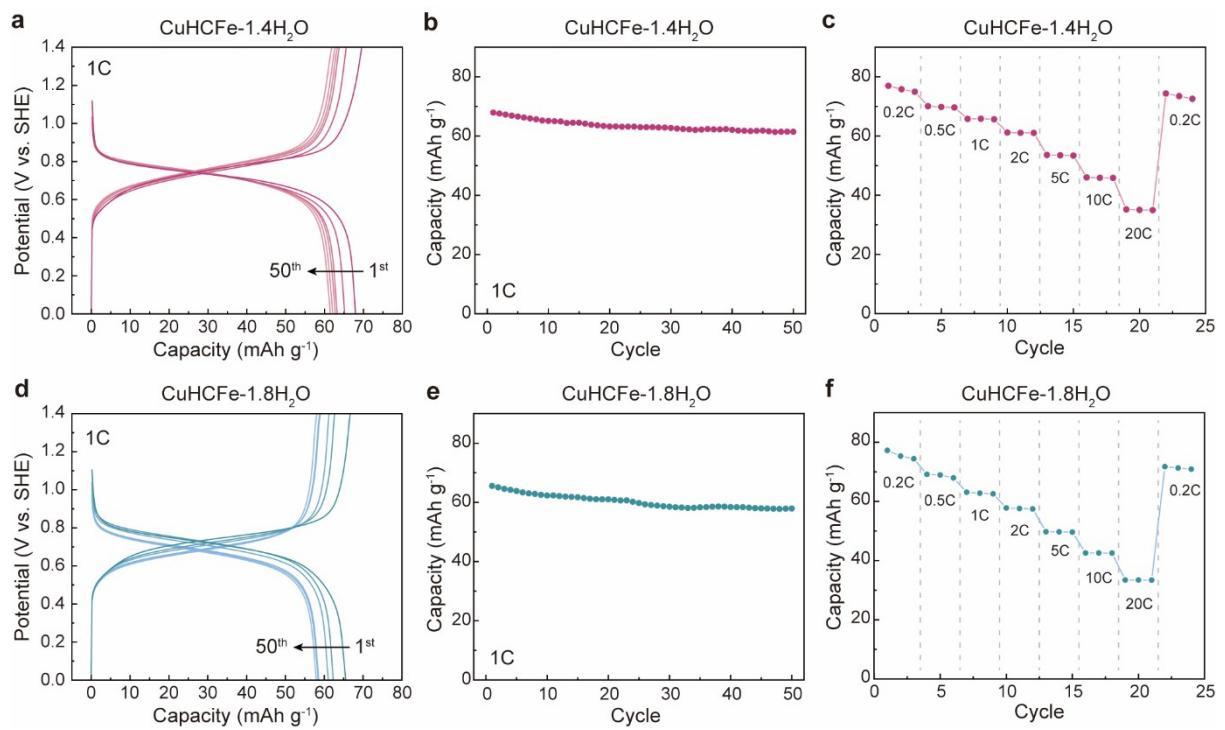


Figure S5 | The Electrochemical Properties of CuHCF Samples in 1M NaClO₄ in DEGDME. The charge-discharge curves of a) CuHCFe-1.4H₂O and d) CuHCFe-1.8H₂O. The specific capacity of b) CuHCFe-1.4H₂O and e) CuHCFe-1.8H₂O for 50 cycles at 1C. The rate capability of c) CuHCFe-1.4H₂O and f) CuHCFe-1.8H₂O from 0.2C (12 mA g⁻¹) to 20C (1200 mA g⁻¹).

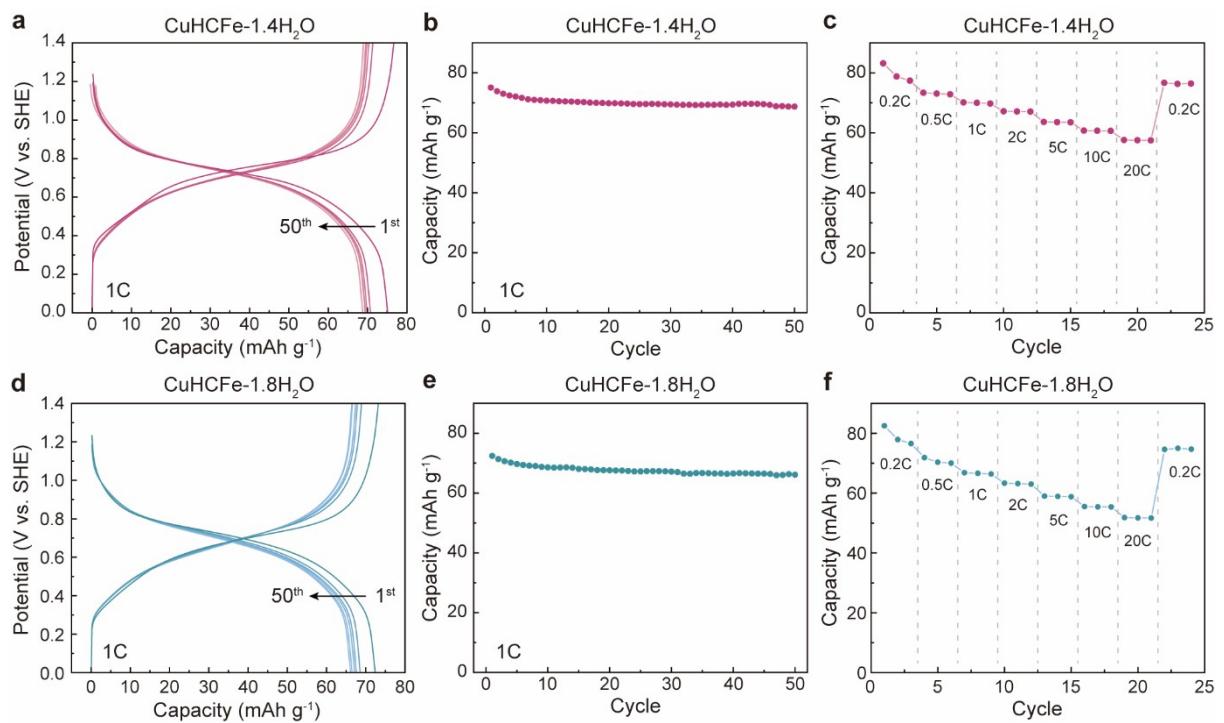


Figure S6 | The electrochemical properties of CuHCF samples in 1M NaClO₄ in acetonitrile. The charge-discharge curves of a) CuHCF-1.4H₂O and d) CuHCF-1.8H₂O. The specific capacity of b) CuHCF-1.4H₂O and e) CuHCF-1.8H₂O for 50 cycles at 1C. The rate capability of c) CuHCF-1.4H₂O and f) CuHCF-1.8H₂O from 0.2C (12 mA g⁻¹) to 20C (1200 mA g⁻¹).

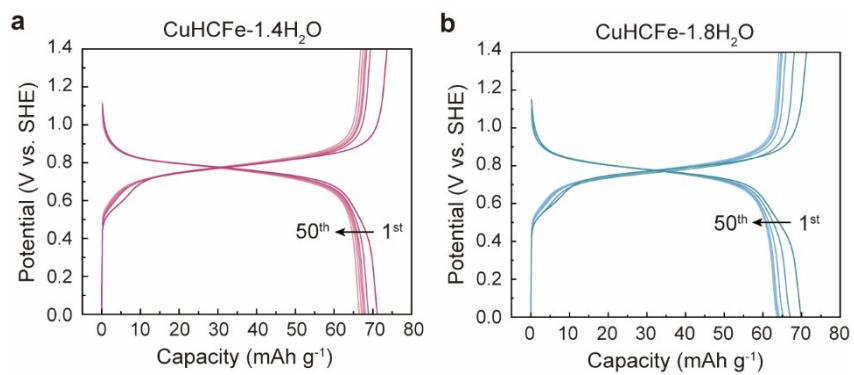


Figure S7 | The Charge-discharge Curves of a) CuHCF-1.4H₂O and b) CuHCF-1.8H₂O in 1M NaClO₄ in EC:DEC (1:1) at 1C (60 mA g⁻¹)