

Supporting Information

A Polyoxovanadate-Based Metal-Organic Framework Unlocks the Potential for Advanced Calcium-Ion Storage

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Experimental section

(1) Synthesis of Co_xV-POM@GO

Firstly, $[\text{Co}_3(4\text{-NH}_2\text{-trz})_6][\text{V}_6\text{O}_{18}] \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (Co_xV-POM) was synthesized by the previous report.⁵¹ Subsequently, it was mixed with GO with a mass ratio of 1:2 under ultrasound for 24h. Finally, the product was obtained after cleaning and freeze-drying.

(2) Material characterization

The morphologies of the final product were characterized by scanning electron microscopy (SEM, JSM-6700F, JEOL) and transmission electron microscopy (TEM, Tecnai G2 F30, FEI). X-ray photoelectron spectroscope (XPS, Thermo ESCALAB 250Xi) was utilized to analyze the surface elemental composition and valence.

(3) Electrochemical tests

The positive electrode was composed of Co_xV-POM@GO (70 wt%), Ketjen Black (20 wt%) and polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF 10 wt%), which were mixed and dispersed in methyl-2-pyrrolidinone (NMP) and ground evenly. The slurry was coated on aluminum foil and dried in a vacuum drying oven at 60° for 12 h. The loading mass of active materials is about 0.6~1.2 mg cm⁻². Finally, the CR2032 coin cells were assembled in an argon-filled glovebox with Whatman glass microfiber filter (GF/A) as the separator, ACC (1500-2500 m²g⁻¹, GUN EI Chemical Industry Co. Ltd) as the counter electrode and 0.8 M Ca(TFSI)₂ dissolved in a mixture of ethylene carbonate (EC), dimethyl carbonate (DMC), propylene carbonate (PC), ethylmethyl carbonate (EMC) (vol/vol/vol/vol=2:3:2:3) as the electrolyte. Galvanostatic charge/discharge measurement was conducted with a multi-channel battery testing system (Neware CT-4008T-5V20 mA-164, Shenzhen, China). Cyclic voltammetry (CV) tests were carried out using an electrochemical workstation (CHI660E).

(4) Theoretical calculations

In this work, all structural models are fully subjected to density-functional theory (DFT) calculations using the ultra-soft pseudopotential (USP) from the CASTEP package, and the exchange and correlation energies are treated using the generalised gradient approximation (GGA) of the Perdew-Burke-Ernzerhof (PBE) generalisation. The electronic wave function is expanded using a plane wave basis group with a cut-off energy of 340 eV. A Monkhorst-Pack Brillouin lattice of $2\pi \times 0.04 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$ was used for all calculations, with a convergence value of 0.02 meV/atom for the total energy and 0.05 eV/Å for the atom. Three possible locations for calcium ion adsorption in Co_xV-POM@GO, two possible diffusion paths, and a number of other possible routes for the calcium ion adsorption in Co_xV-POM@GO were calculated. The diffusion barriers of calcium ions in Co_xV-POM@GO were calculated by the periodic LST/QST method in CASTEP.

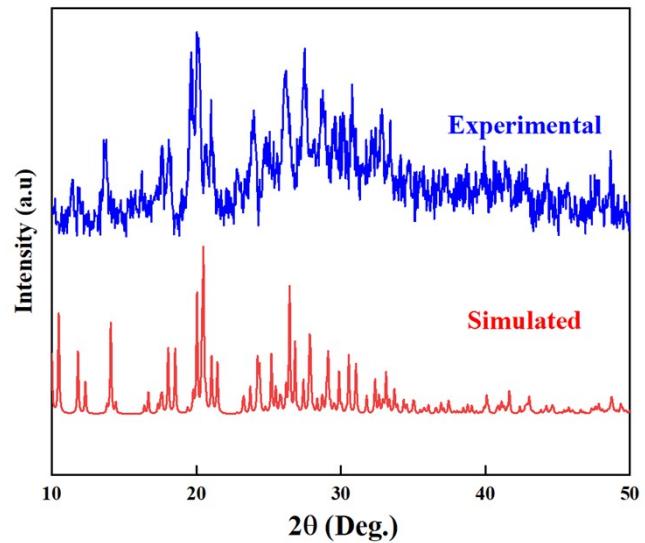


Fig. S1 XRD patterns of Co, V-POMOF@GO.

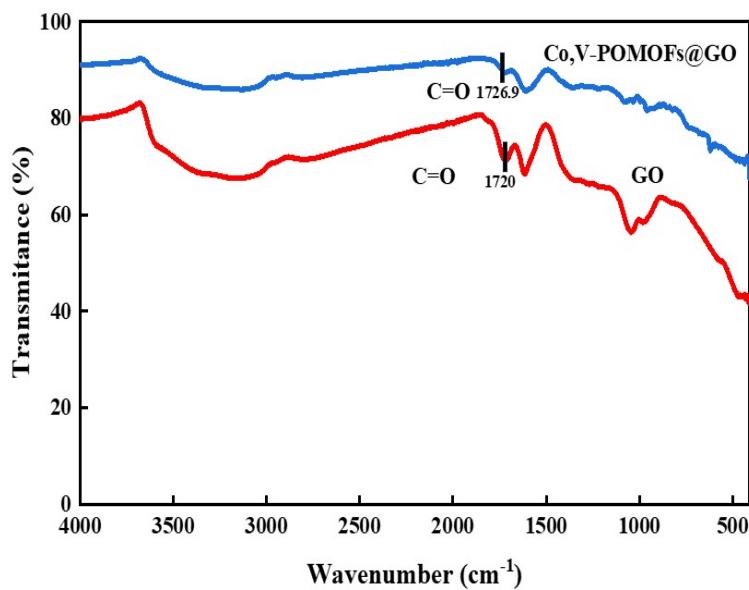


Fig. S2 FTIR spectra of GO and Co, V-POMOFs@GO.

It can be seen that the characteristic peak of the C=O stretching vibration in GO shifts from 1720 cm⁻¹ to 1726.9 cm⁻¹ upon complexation with Co, V-POMOFs. This shift indicates a strong interaction between the oxygen-containing functional groups on the GO surface (specifically the carboxyl groups) and the metal centers (Co/V) of the POMOFs, confirming the successful functionalization of GO with the POMOFs.

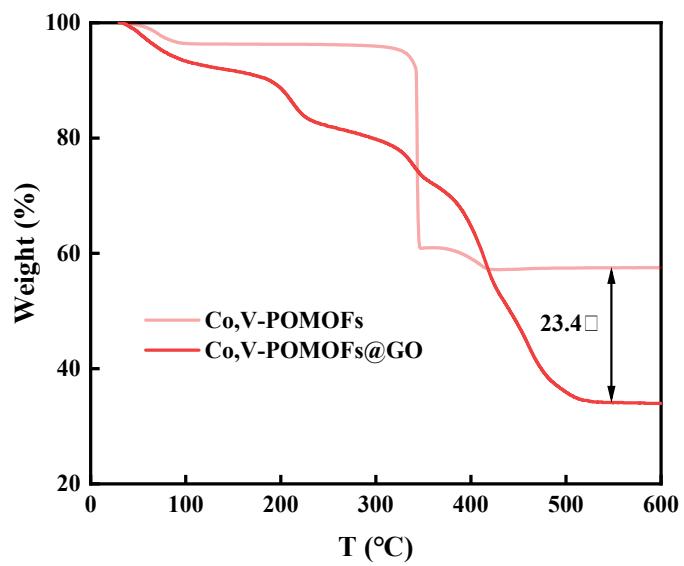


Fig. S3 TGA curves of Co,V-POMOFs and Co,V-POMOFs@GO.

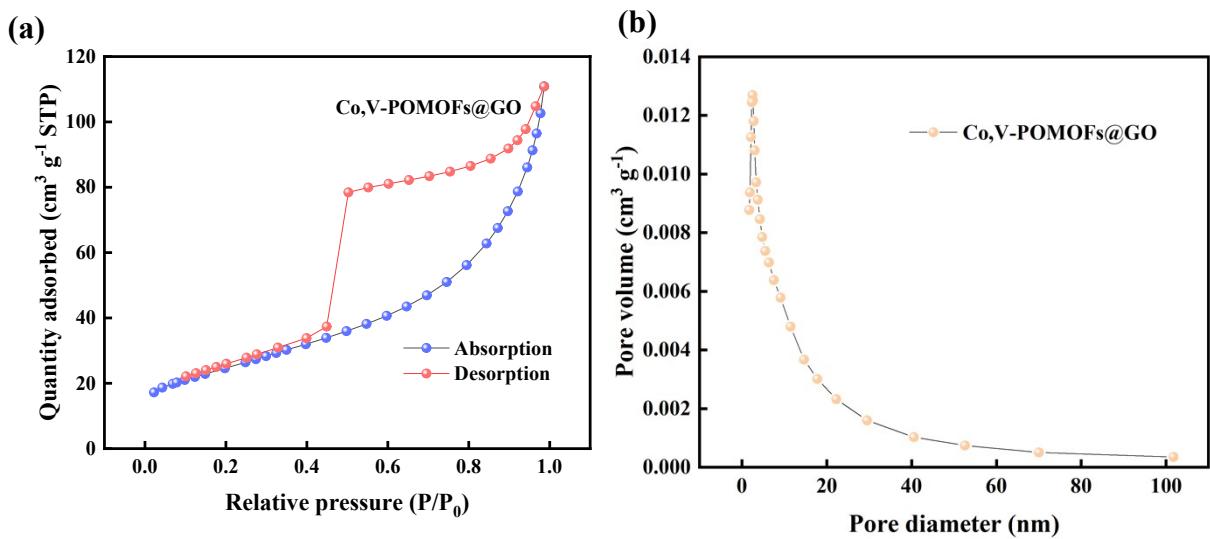


Fig. S4 (a) N_2 adsorption-desorption isotherms and (b) The pore size distribution curves of Co,V-POMOFs@GO.

Co,V-POMOFs@GO exhibits a Type IV nitrogen isotherm with a broad hysteresis loop in the pressure range of 0.4-1.0 (P/P_0), which implies the existence of mesopores. Simultaneously, the pore size distribution plot presents that Co,V-POMOFs@GO possesses a relatively wide pore size distribution with an average pore size of approximately 7.74 nm. Furthermore, the Brunauer-Emmett-Teller (BET) specific surface area of Co,V-POMOFs@GO was calculated to be around $88.60 \text{ m}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$ (Fig. S4).

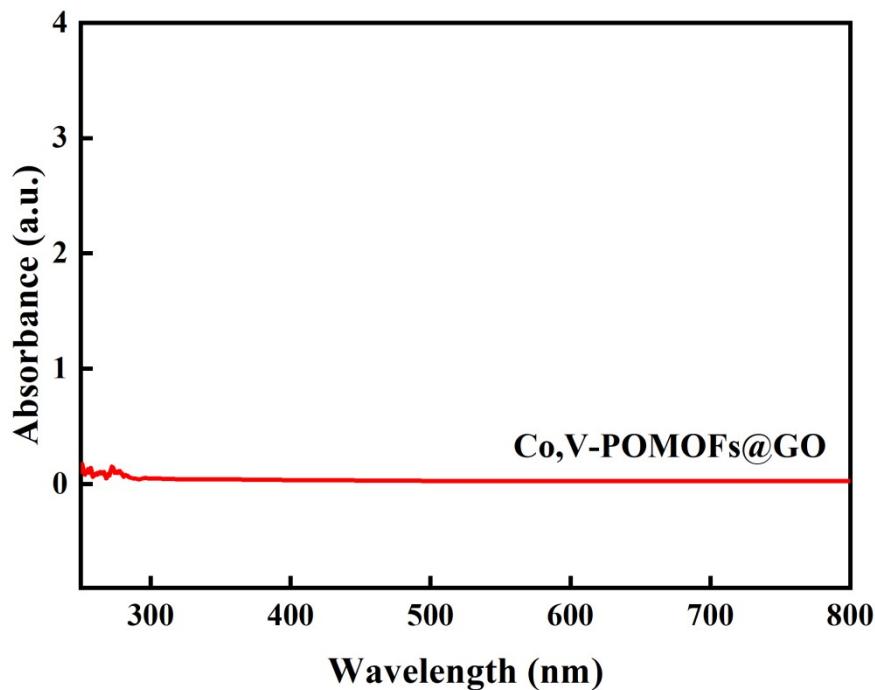


Fig. S5 UV-Vis absorption spectrum of the electrolyte after the immersion of Co,V-POMOFs@GO.

The aluminum foil with Co,V-POMOFs@GO was left to stand in the electrolyte for 24 hours. Ultraviolet-visible (UV-Vis) spectroscopy was performed on the supernatant (Fig. S6). It was found that there were almost no characteristic peaks in the electrolyte, which confirms that Co,V-POMOFs@GO delivers good stability in the electrolyte.

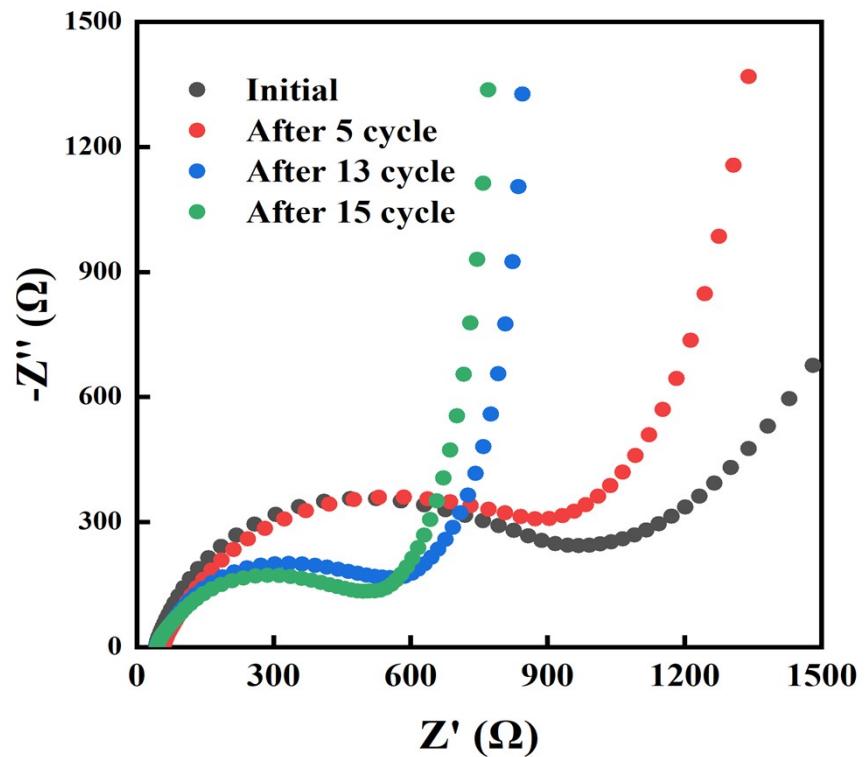


Fig. S6. EIS spectra of Co₃V-POMOFs@GO after different cycles.

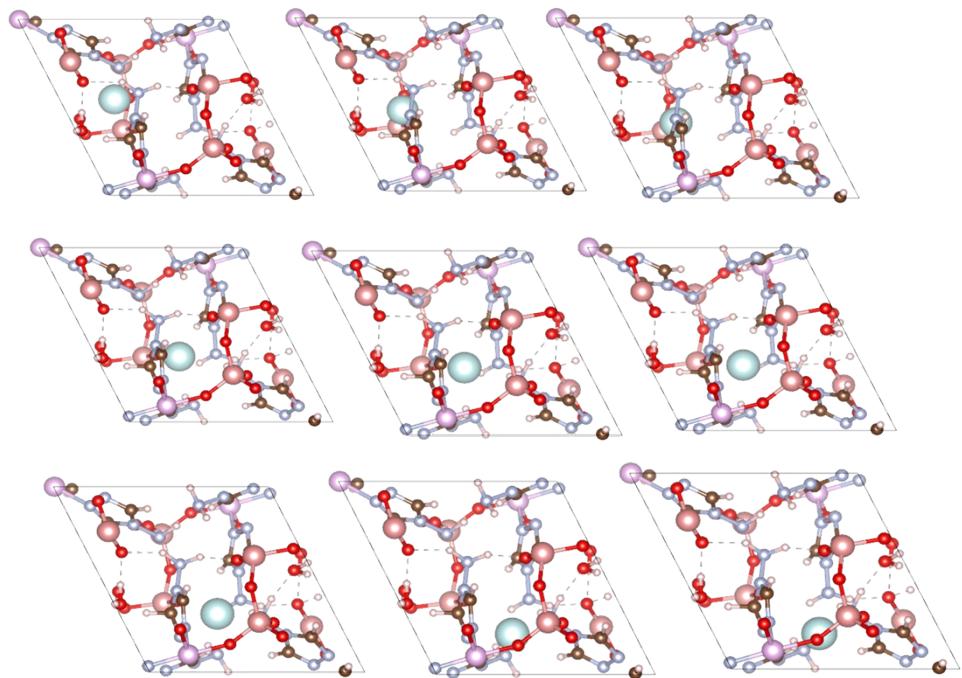


Fig. S7. Schematic diagram of the Ca^{2+} diffusion steps from pore 1 to pore 2 in Co,V-POMOFs@GO.

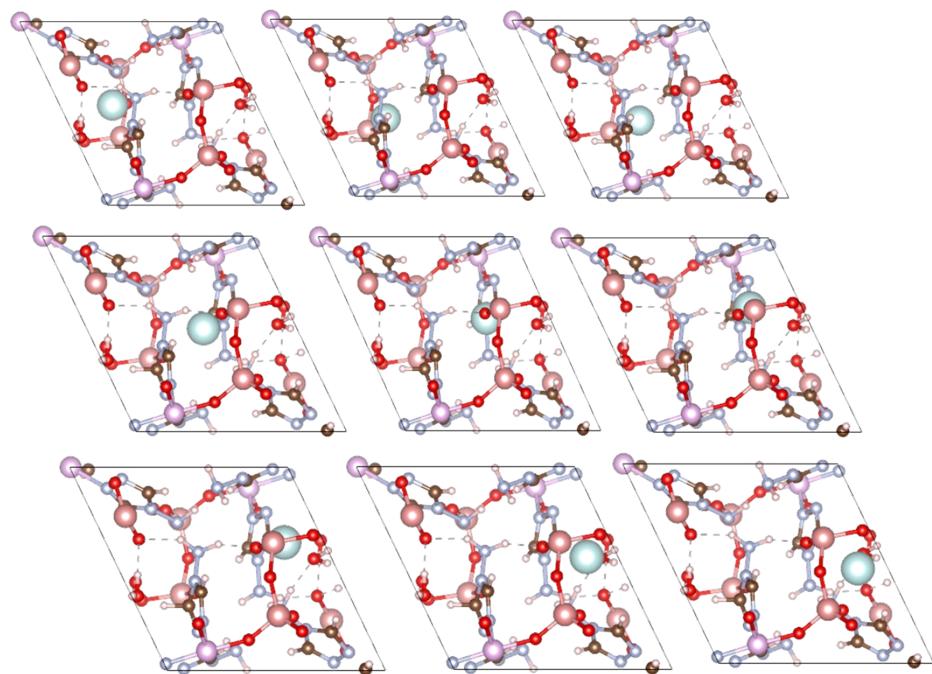


Fig. S8. Schematic diagram of the Ca^{2+} diffusion steps from pore 1 to pore 3 in Co,V-POMOFs@GO.

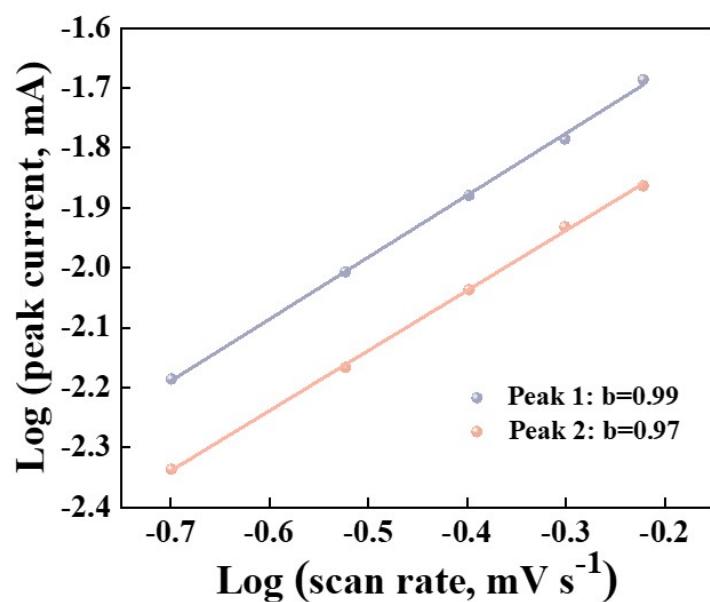


Fig. S9 Plots of $\log(i)$ vs. $\log(v)$ for the two redox peaks in the CV curves of Co, V-POMOF@GO.

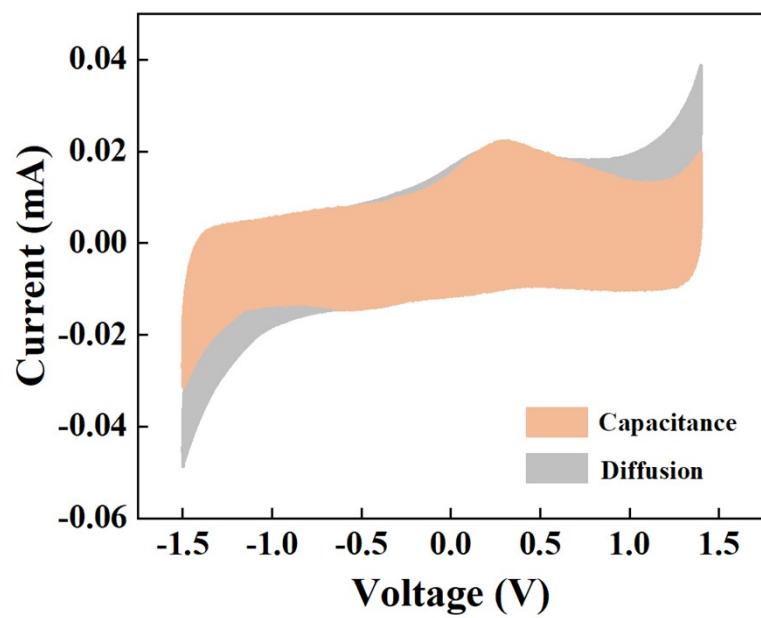


Fig. S10 Pseudocapacitive contribution region (shaded in orange) at a scan rate of 0.8 mV s^{-1} of Co, V-POMOF@GO.

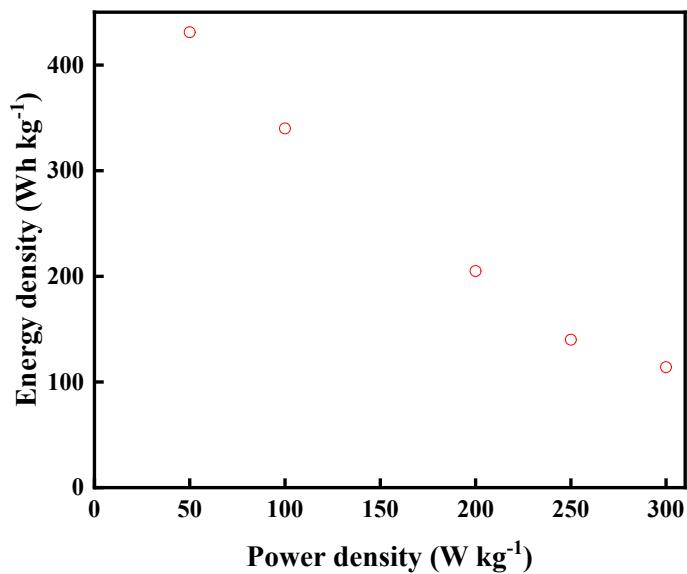


Fig. S11 Ragone plot of Co,V-POMOFs@GO.

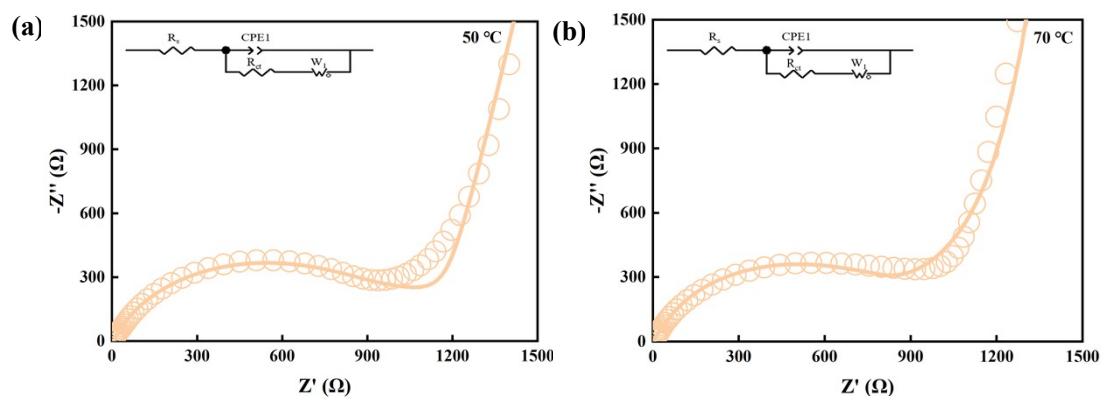


Fig.S12 Nyquist and fitted plots of Co₃V-POMOFs@GO at 50 and 70 °C.

Table S1. Calcium storage performance of this work vs. literature data.

Cathode materials	Reversible capacity (mAh g ⁻¹)	Current density (mA g ⁻¹)	Capacity retention	References
Co ₃ V-POMOFs@GO	320.45	50	96.7%	This work
VOPO ₄ ·2H ₂ O	100	20	86%	6
δ-MnO ₂	125	100	53.6%	11
BaV ₆ O ₁₆ ·3H ₂ O@GO	339.45	50	84%	32
K ₂ V ₆ O ₁₆ ·2.7H ₂ O	94	50	78.3%	33
CaV ₆ O ₁₆ ·2.8H ₂ O	131.7	50	94.4%	34
β-Ag _{0.33} V ₂ O ₅	179	12.3	47%	35
MnO ₂ @PANI	150	100	91.9%	36
CuS/C	126	100	92%	37
Ca _{0.28} V ₂ O ₅ ·H ₂ O	120	30	74%	38
Ca _x Na _{0.5} VPO _{4.8} F _{0.7}	65	66.6	92%	39
V ₂ O ₅	150	50 (μA cm ⁻²)	20%	40
Ti ₂ O(PO ₄) ₂ (H ₂ O)	60.8	50	95%	41
VO ₂ (B)	120	100	79%	42

Table S2 Diffusion rate of calcium ions in positive electrode materials in the previous reports.

Cathode	Diffusion efficient (cm ² s ⁻¹)	References
VO ₂ (B)/rGO	7.51×10 ⁻¹²	s2
NHVO-H@GO@CNT	5.52×10 ⁻¹ -2.61×10 ⁻¹³	s3
β-Ca _{0.14} V ₂ O ₅	10 ^{-7.7} -10 ^{-8.7}	s4
CaV ₆ O ₁₆ ·2.8H ₂ O	7.5×10 ⁻¹² 1.8×10 ⁻¹³	s5
BaV ₆ O ₁₆ ·3H ₂ O@GO	2.3×10 ⁻¹ -8.92×10 ⁻¹⁴	s6
K _x VPO ₄ F	10 ⁻¹⁰ -10 ⁻¹¹	s7
M _x V ₂ O ₅ ·nH ₂ O, M=Ni, Co, Mn	NiVO:7.51×10 ⁻¹² CoVO:1.32×10 ⁻¹⁴ MnVO:5.64×10 ⁻¹⁰	s8
Zn _{3-x} Cu _x (OH) ₂ V ₂ O ₇ ·2H ₂ O	10 ⁻⁶ -10 ⁻¹⁴	s9
Co,V-POMOFs@GO	10 ⁻⁶ -10 ⁻¹⁰	This work

Table S3 R_{ct} values at different temperatures according to equivalent circuit model

T (°C)	R_{ct} (Ω)
30	1667
40	1429
50	1250
60	1110
70	990

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