

## Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)

### Sodiation-driven amorphous Co-based species in slope-dominant hard carbon with ultralong cycling life for sodium-ion hybrid capacitors

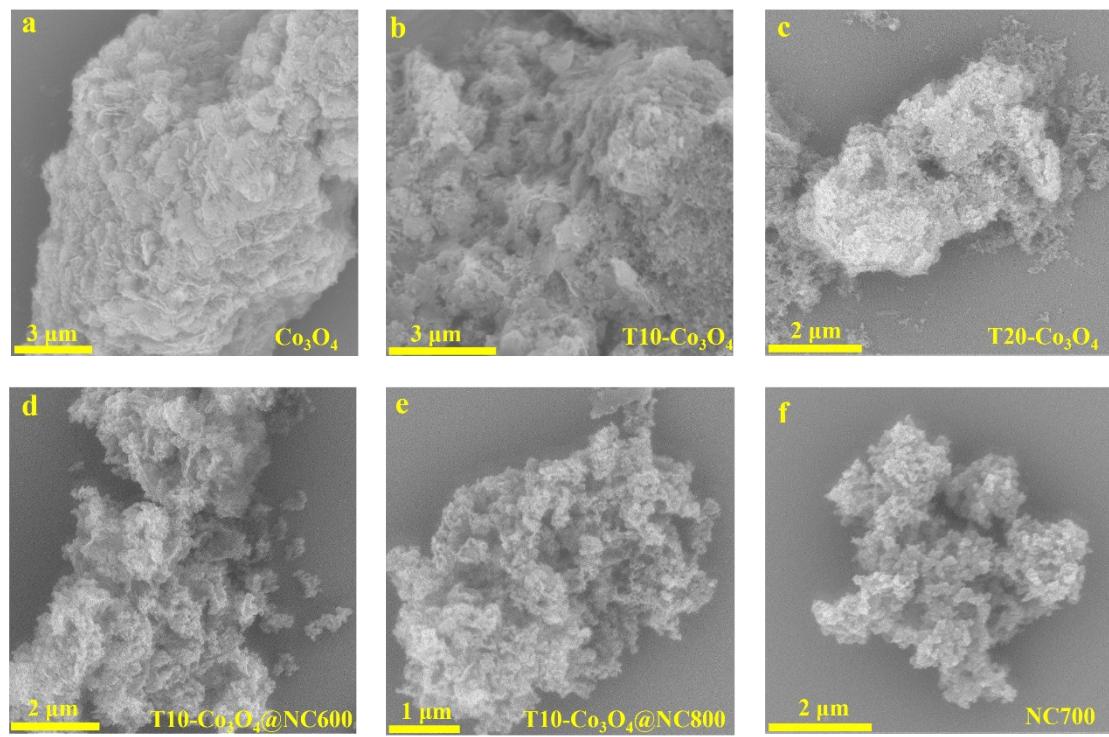
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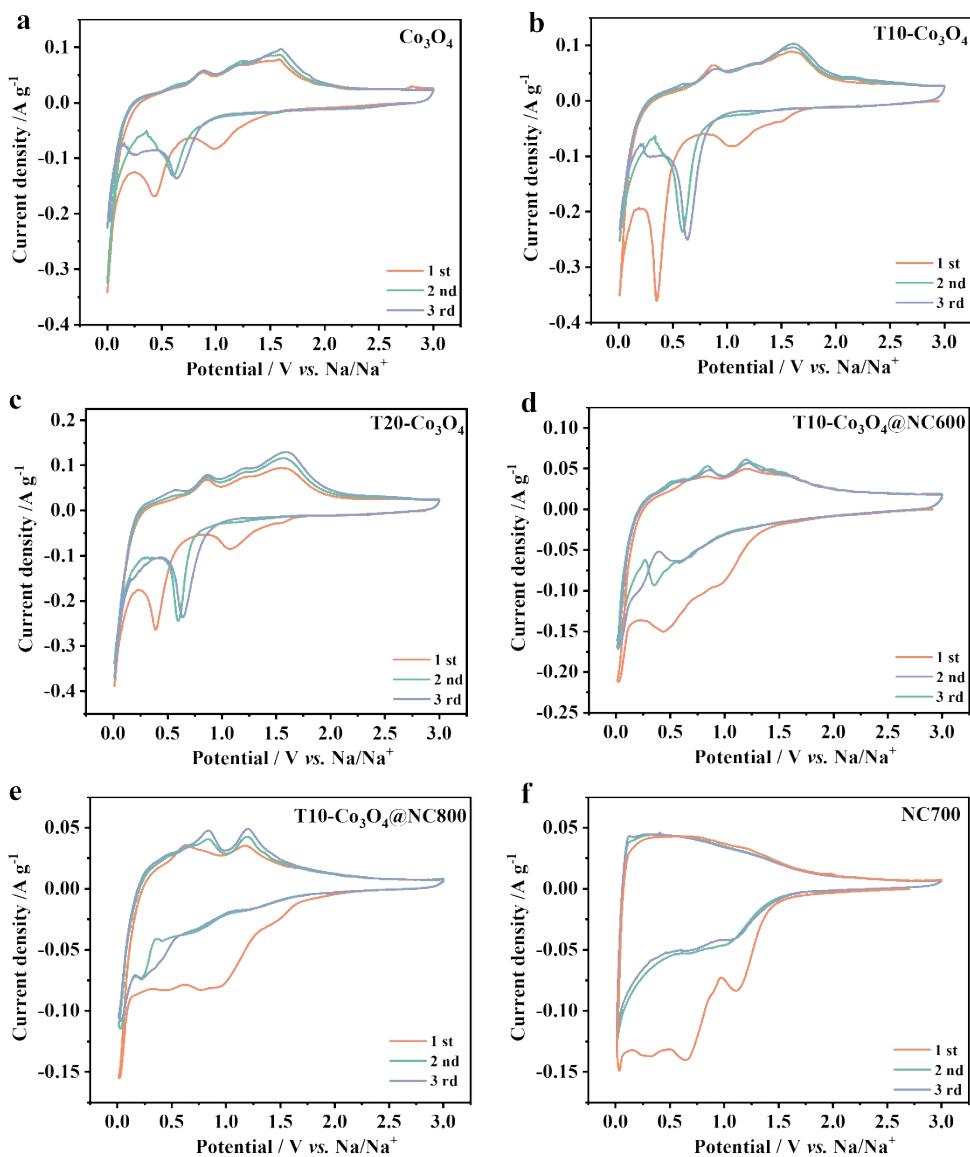
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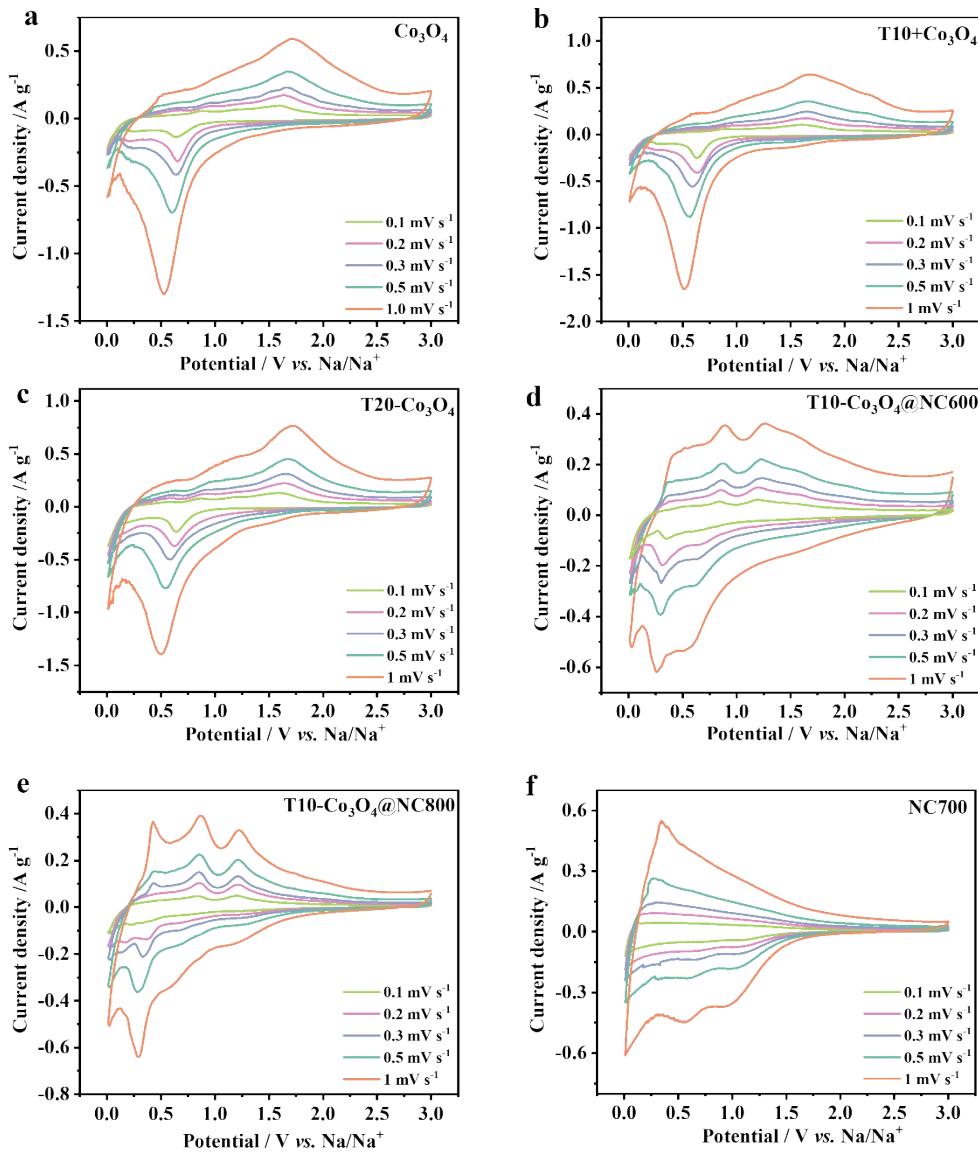
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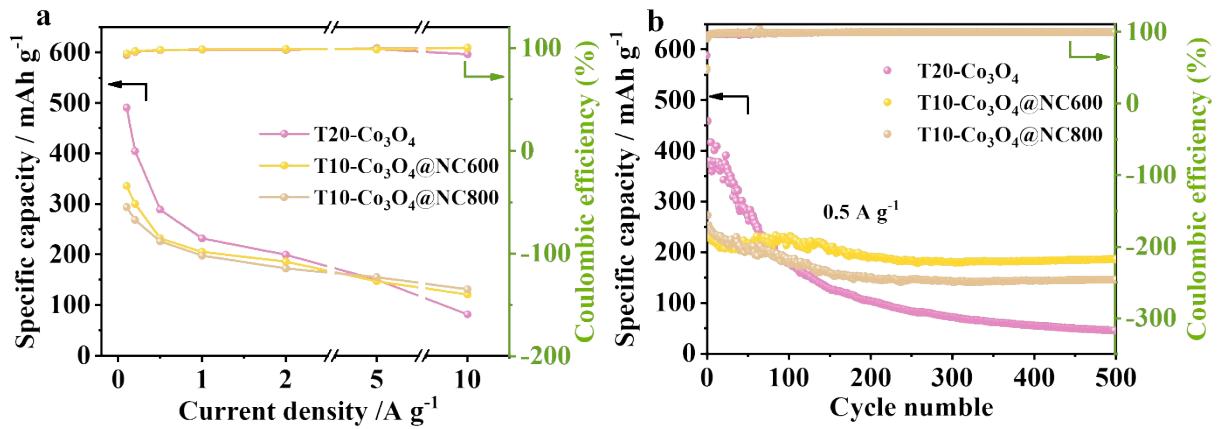
**Fig. S1. The SEM for (a)  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$ , (b)  $\text{T}10\text{-}\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$ , (c)  $\text{T}20\text{-}\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$ , (d)  $\text{T}10\text{-}\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{NC}600$ , (e)  $\text{T}10\text{-}\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{NC}800$ , and (f)  $\text{NC}700$ .**



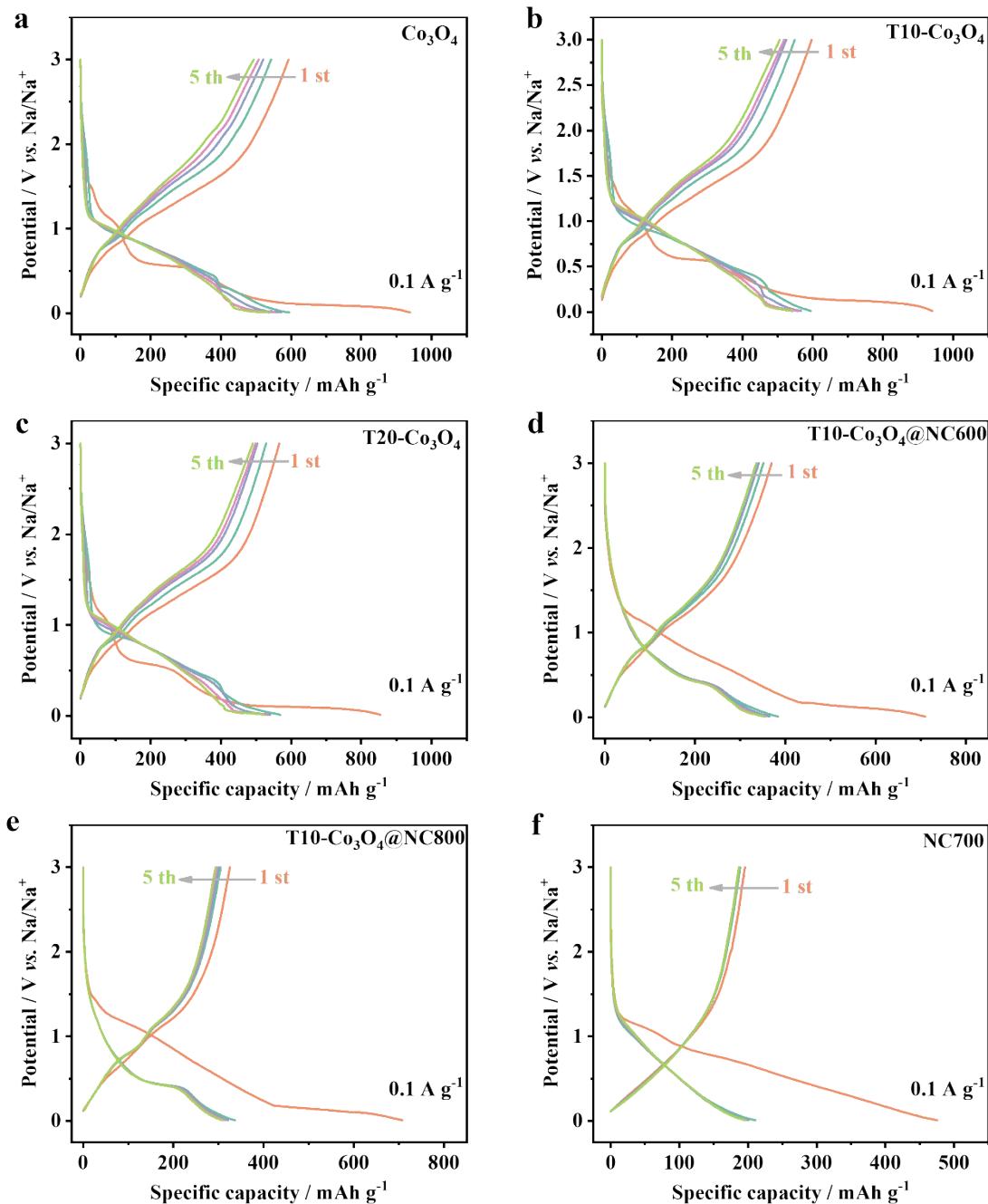
**Fig. S2.** The first three laps CV plots at 0.1 mV s<sup>-1</sup> for (a) Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, (b) T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, (c) T20-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, (d) T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@NC600, (e) T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@NC800, and (f) NC700.



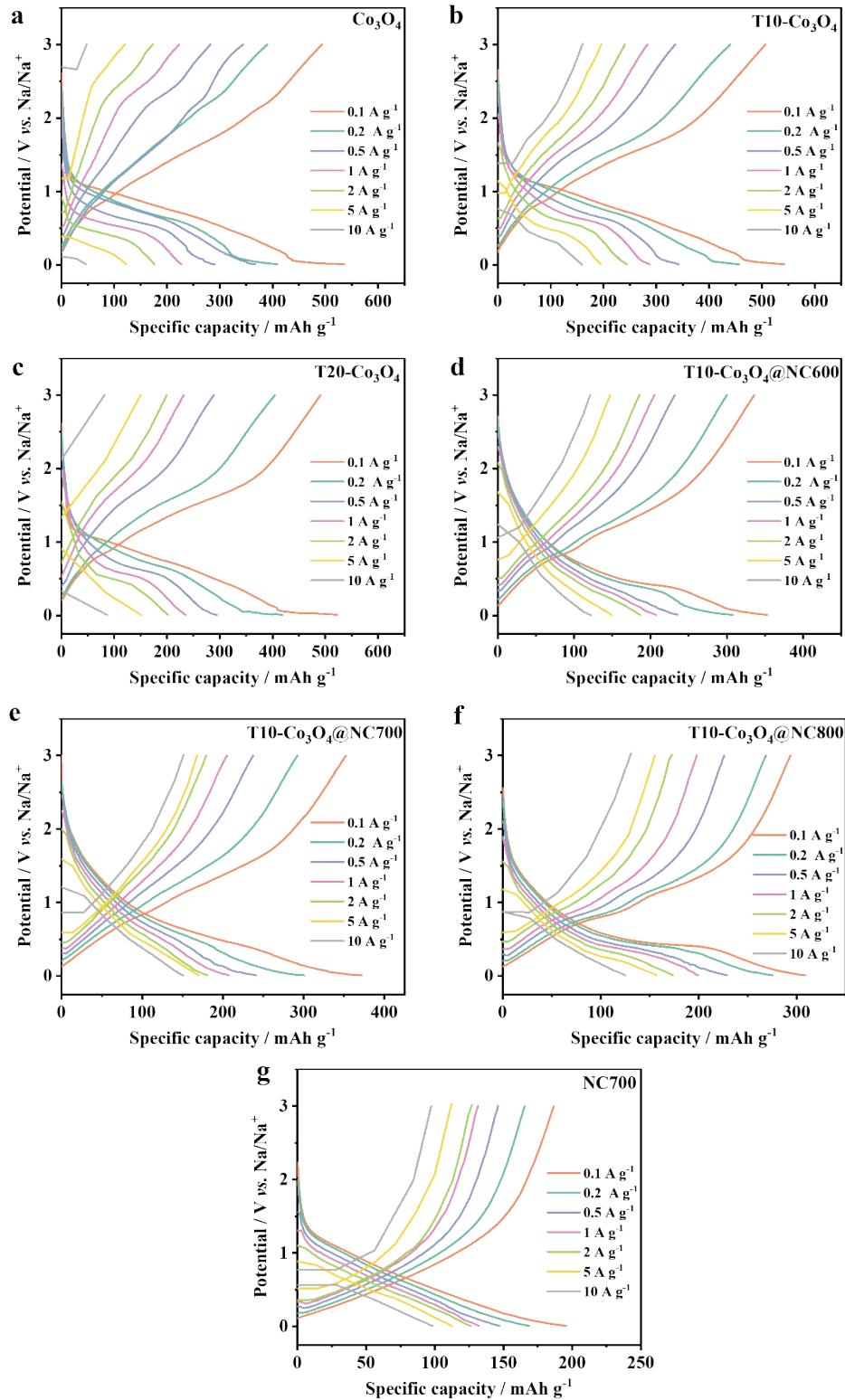
**Fig. S3. The CV plots at 0.1-1 mV s<sup>-1</sup> for (a) Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, (b) T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, (c) T20-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, (d) T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@NC600, (e) T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@NC800, and (f) NC700.**



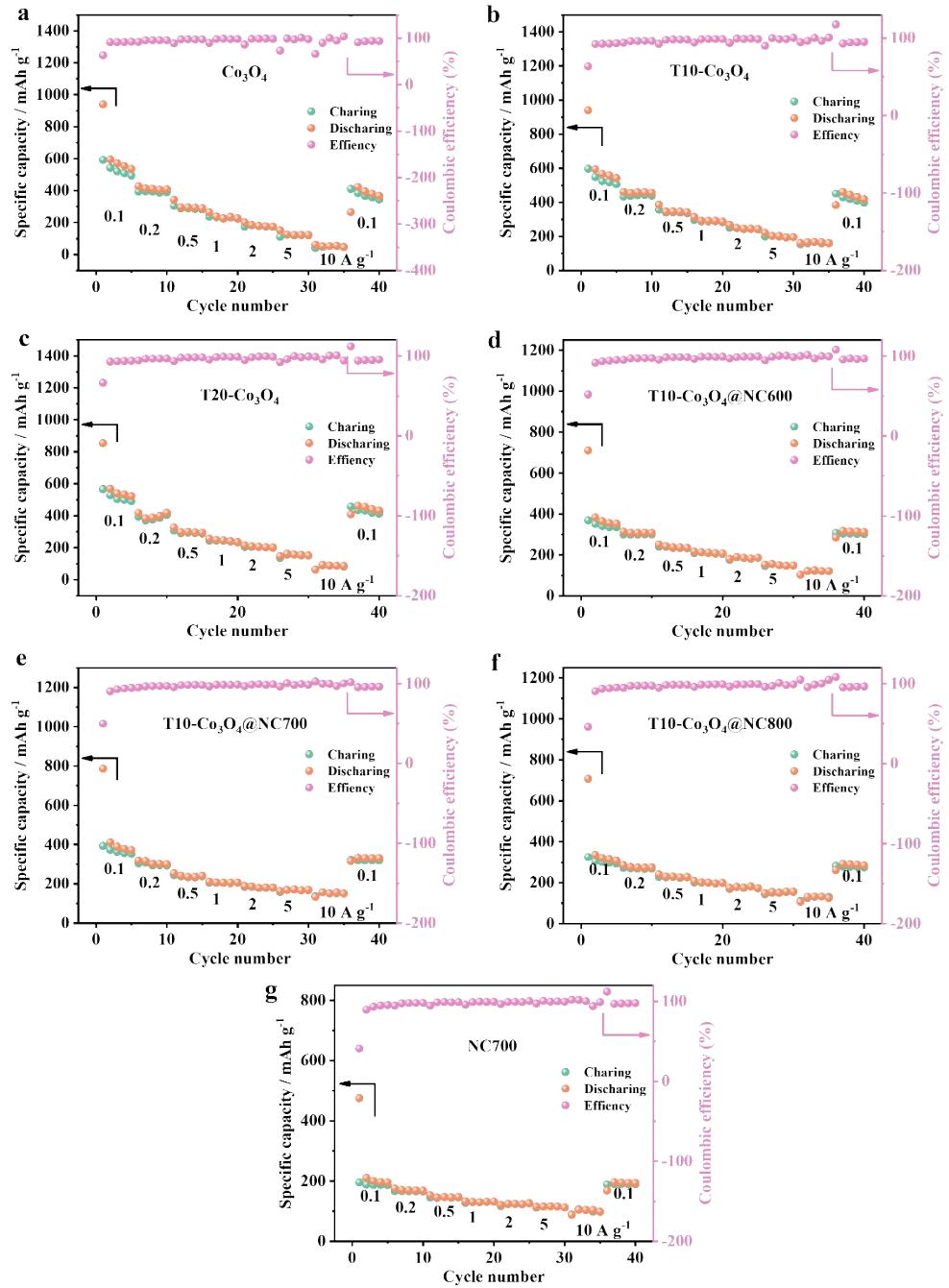
**Fig. S4.** The rate performance (a) and cycling performance (b) of the T20-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@NC600, and T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@NC800 electrodes.



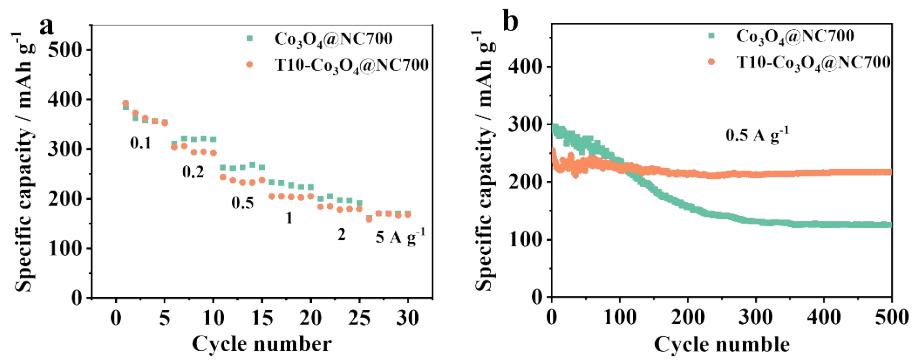
**Fig. S5.** GCD curves of (a)  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$ , (b)  $\text{T10-}\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$ , (c)  $\text{T20-}\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$ , (d)  $\text{T10-}\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{NC600}$ , (e)  $\text{T10-}\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{NC800}$ , and (f)  $\text{NC700}$ .



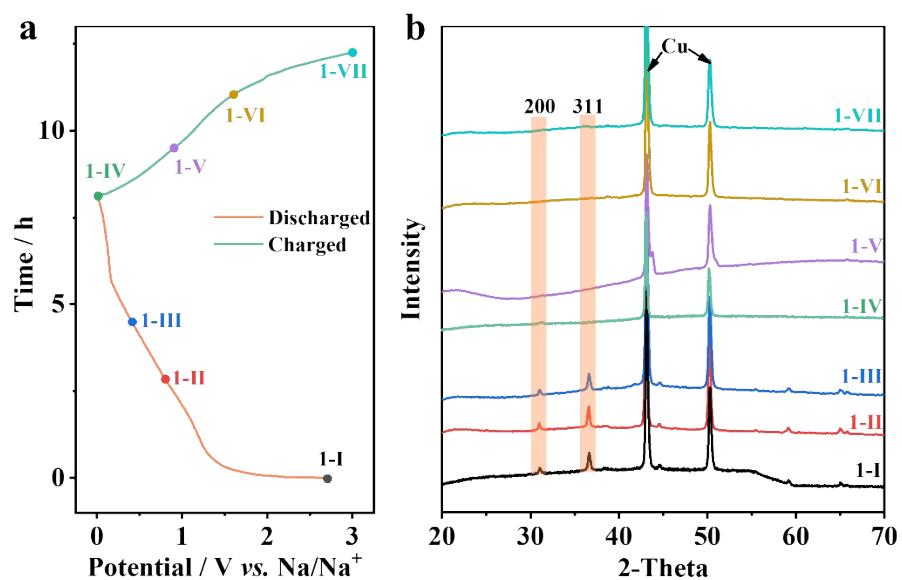
**Fig. S6. GCD curves of (a) Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, (b) T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, (c) T20-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, (d) T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@NC600, (e) T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@NC800, (f) T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@NC700 and (g) NC700 electrodes for the respective 5th cycle at 0.1-10 A g<sup>-1</sup>.**



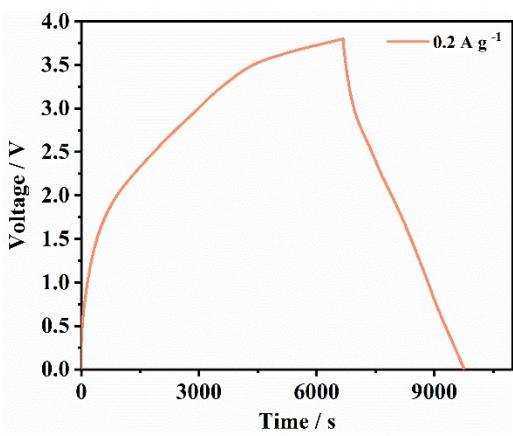
**Fig. S7.** Rate capability and coulombic efficiency of (a)  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4$ , (b)  $\text{T10-Co}_3\text{O}_4$ , (c)  $\text{T20-Co}_3\text{O}_4$ , (d)  $\text{T10-Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{NC600}$ , (e)  $\text{T10-Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{NC800}$ , (f)  $\text{T10-Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{NC700}$  and (g) NC700 electrodes at 0.1-10 A g<sup>-1</sup>.



**Fig. S8.** (a) Rate capability and (b) cycling life of  $\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{NC}700$  and  $\text{T10}-\text{Co}_3\text{O}_4@\text{NC}700$ .



**Fig. S9.** (a) GCD plots of the first cycle, and (b) Ex-situ XRD of T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@NC700 electrode at different potentials.



**Fig. S10.** GCD curves at  $0.2 \text{ A g}^{-1}$  of T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@NC700//AC SIC.

**Table S1.** A comparison for the performance of the T10-Co<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@NC700//AC in this work with some representative SICs.

SIC devices	Energy density (Wh/kg)	Power density (W/kg)	Capacitance retention/ cycles	Ref.
T-Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub> -C-rGO/rGO//AC/rGO	40	436	70%/2000	<a href="#">1</a>
AC//Na-HC	35	1000	83%/5000	<a href="#">2</a>
NiF <sub>2</sub> //AC	35.1	500	73.6%/200	<a href="#">3</a>
Cu <sub>1.8</sub> Se/C-450//AC	65.8	81.4	75.3%/3000	<a href="#">4</a>
CoSeO <sub>3</sub> //AC	51	2000	72%/3000	<a href="#">5</a>
MWTOG/AC	64.2	56.3	90%/10000	<a href="#">6</a>
T10-Co <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> @NC700//AC	59-3.6	69-4145	50%/5000	This work

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