

Supporting Information

Tuning Electrochemical Properties of Tungsten Oxides Nanoplates via Sn Doping and Mixed-Phase Formation for Superior Quasi-Solid-State Supercapacitor

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1. Electrochemical measurement

The electrochemical property of W0, SnW5, SnW10, SnW200, SnW400 and SnW600 was studied by PGSTAT302N Autolab system with a three-electrode setup. The glassy carbon electrode, platinum wire electrode, and Ag/AgCl serving as the working, counter, and reference electrodes, respectively. However, the specific capacitance, energy density, and power density was obtained by utilizing the below equations respectively.

1.1 Specific Capacitance from CV curve,

$$C_s = \frac{1}{2.m.v.\Delta V} \int_{V_{min}}^{V_{max}} I(V)dv \quad (\text{F g}^{-1}) \quad \dots\dots\dots (\text{S1})$$

Here, C_s denotes the specific capacitance, m is the mass of the active material, v represents the scan rate, V_{max} and V_{min} indicate the operating potential window of the CV curve, I is the current, and ΔV is the potential.

1.2 Specific Capacitance from GCD curve,

$$C_s = \frac{I X \Delta t}{m X \Delta V} \quad (\text{F g}^{-1}) \quad \dots\dots\dots (\text{S2})$$

where, I - Current (A), m - Mass loading on electrode, Δt - Discharge time (s), ΔV - Potential Window (V),

1.3 Energy density,

$$E_g = \frac{C_s \times V^2}{2} \quad (\text{W h kg}^{-1}) \quad \dots\dots\dots (\text{S3})$$

Where, C_s -Specific Capacitance (F g^{-1}), V -Potential Window (V), and

1.4 Power Density,

$$P = \frac{E_g}{\Delta t} \quad (\text{W kg}^{-1}) \quad \dots\dots\dots (\text{S4})$$

Where, E_g - Energy Density (W h kg^{-1}), Δt - Discharge time.

2. Gel-electrolyte preparation

The gel electrolyte was prepared by adding 2 g of PVA in 20 mL of under constant heating and stirring at 70 °C until a clear homogeneous solution was obtained. Then, an appropriate amount of H_2SO_4 was drop-wise added into the mixture. Further, the obtained solution was stirred till cool at room temperature naturally.

3. Mass balancing

The mass balancing of quasi-solid state asymmetric supercapacitor fabrication (QSSAS) was done with equation number 4. However, SnW200 used as a negative electrode and activated carbon (AC) used as positive electrode. The specific capacitance SnW200 is 167 F g^{-1} at 10 mV s^{-1} and the specific capacitance of AC is 116 F g^{-1} at 10 mV s^{-1} .

$$\frac{M^+}{M^-} = \frac{C_s^-}{C_s^+} \times \frac{\Delta V^-}{\Delta V^+} \quad \dots\dots\dots (\text{S5})$$

where, the C_s^+ ; C_s^- and ΔV^+ ; ΔV^- represents capacitance value and potential window of anode and cathode respectively. The positive electrode was loaded with 1.5 mg of AC (M^+), the negative electrode was loaded with 2 mg (M^-) of SnW200.

4. Quasi-solid state asymmetric supercapacitor (QSSAS) fabrication

In the QSSAS device, Whatman-42 filter paper (as a separator) soaked in the gel electrolyte for the proper electrolyte filling. The anode was prepared by dispersing 5 mg

of activated carbon (AC) and 5 μL of Nafion binder in 0.5 mL of deionized (DI) water, followed by sonication for 3 minutes to obtain a well-dispersed mixture. From this mixture, 0.15 mL was drop-cast onto a carbon paper and dried under an IR lamp for 10 minutes. Similarly, 0.2 mL of the corresponding mixture SnW200 was drop-cast onto a carbon paper for the negative electrode and dried under identical conditions. Thus 1.5 mg mass was loaded on anode electrode and 2 mg on cathode electrode was packed in a

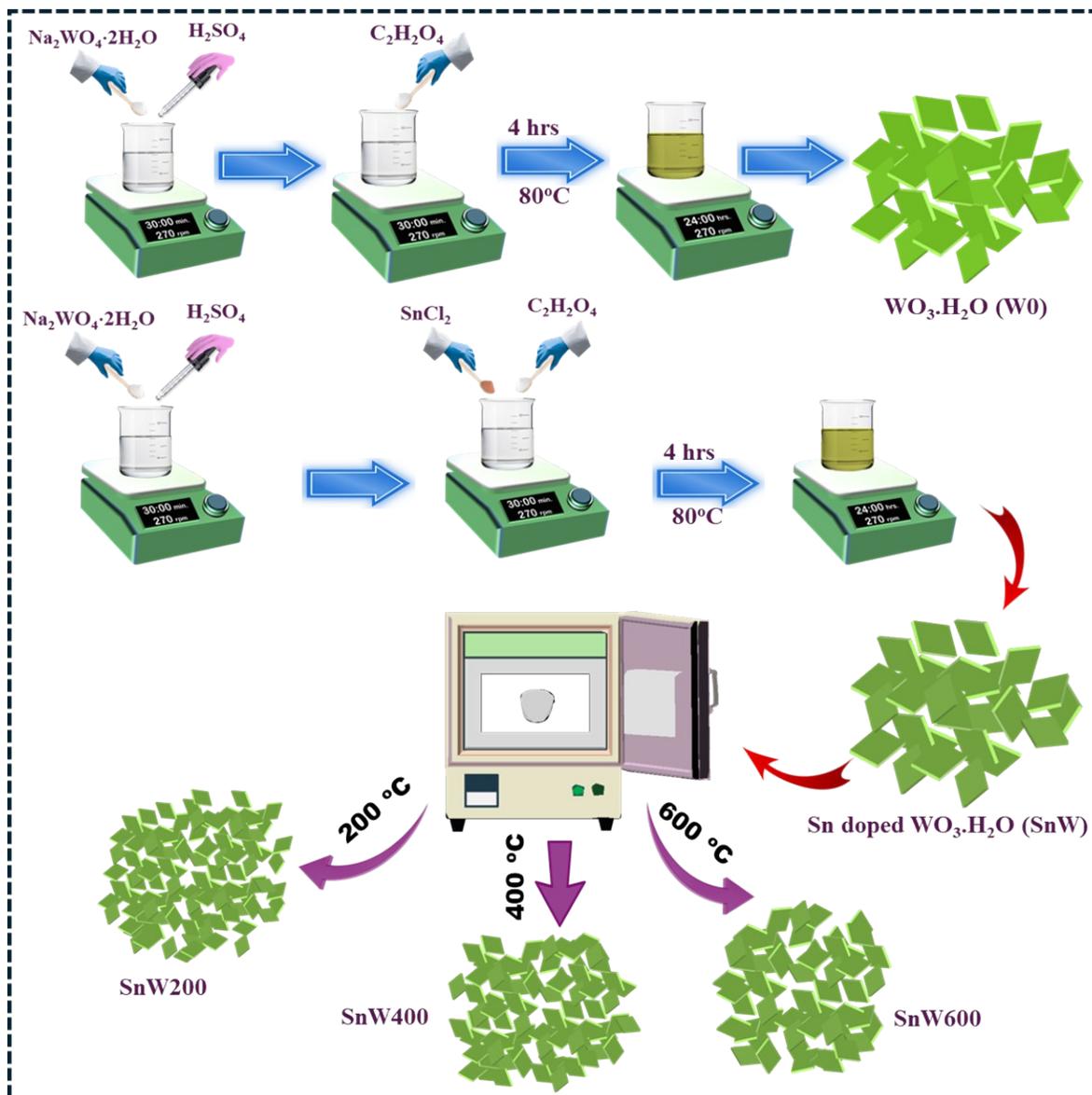


Fig. S1 Schematic sketch of W₀, SnW5, and SnW0, SnW400, and SnW600 preparation setup.

Swagelok cell with the separator and gel electrolyte. The formulae used for mass balancing is given in the Supplementary information.

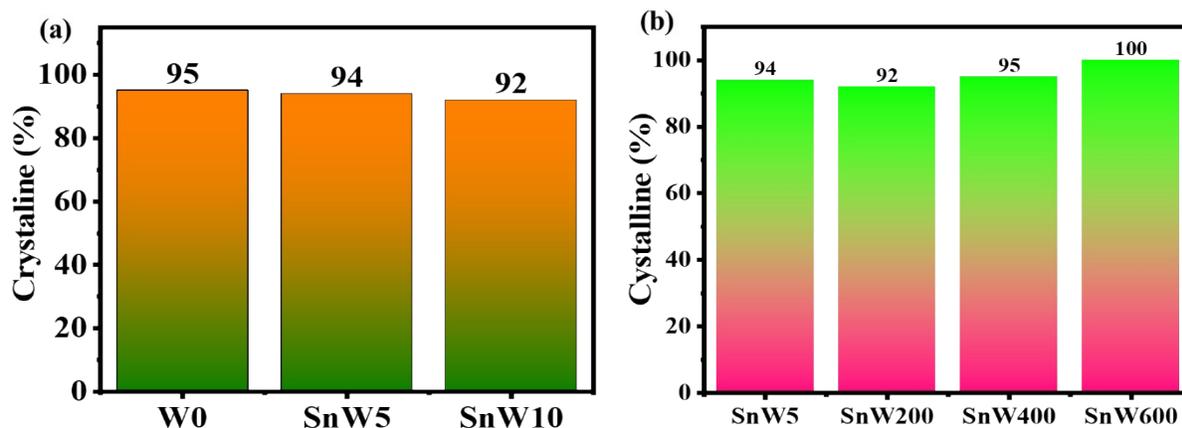


Fig. S2 Bar graph of crystallinity of W0, SnW5, SnW10 (a), and SnW5, SnW200, SnW400, and SnW600 (b).

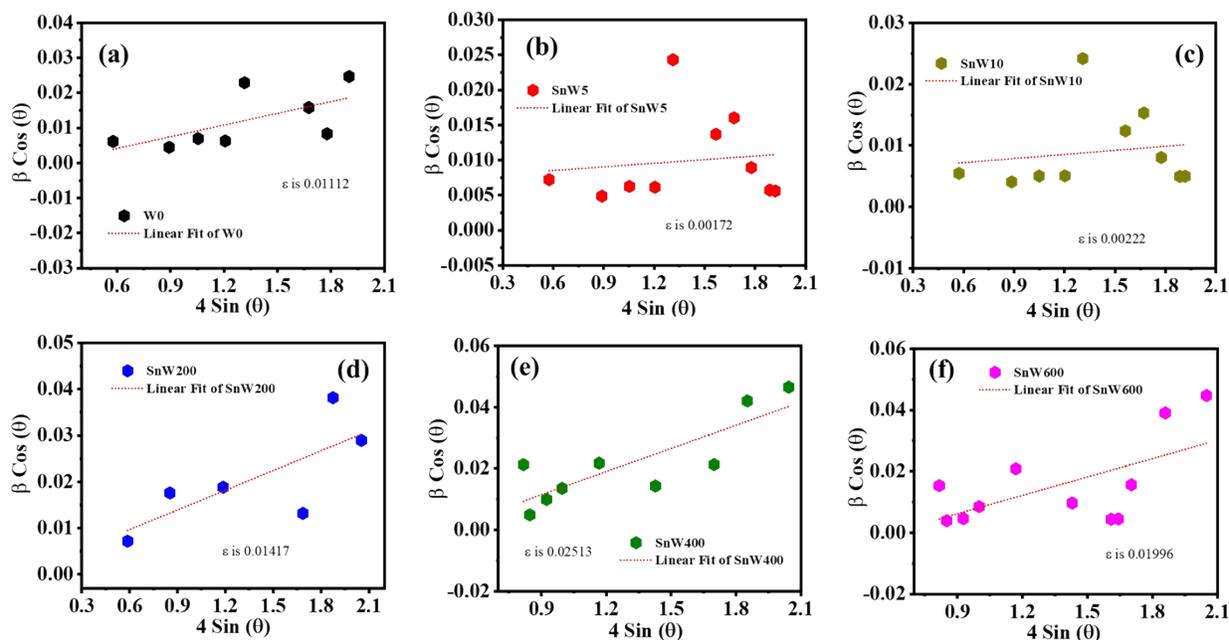


Fig. S3 (a-c) W-H plot of W0, SnW5, SnW10, (d-f) W-H plot of SnW200, SnW400, and SnW600.

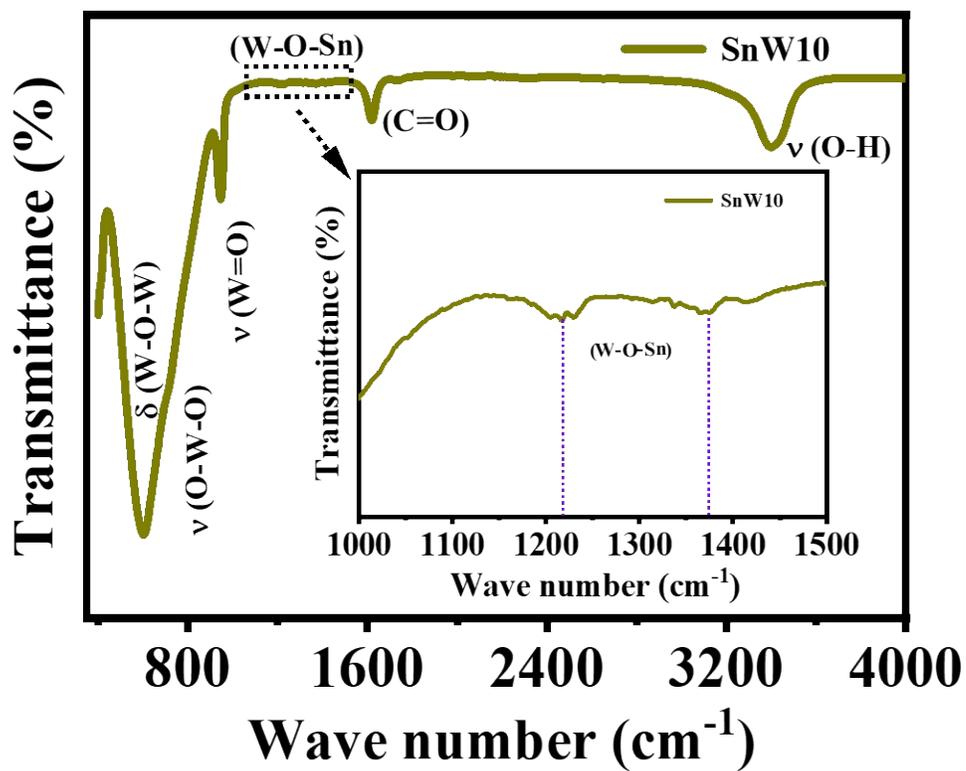


Fig. S4 FT-IR spectra of SnW10 and inset is magnified FT-IR spectra of selected region of Fig. 3(b).

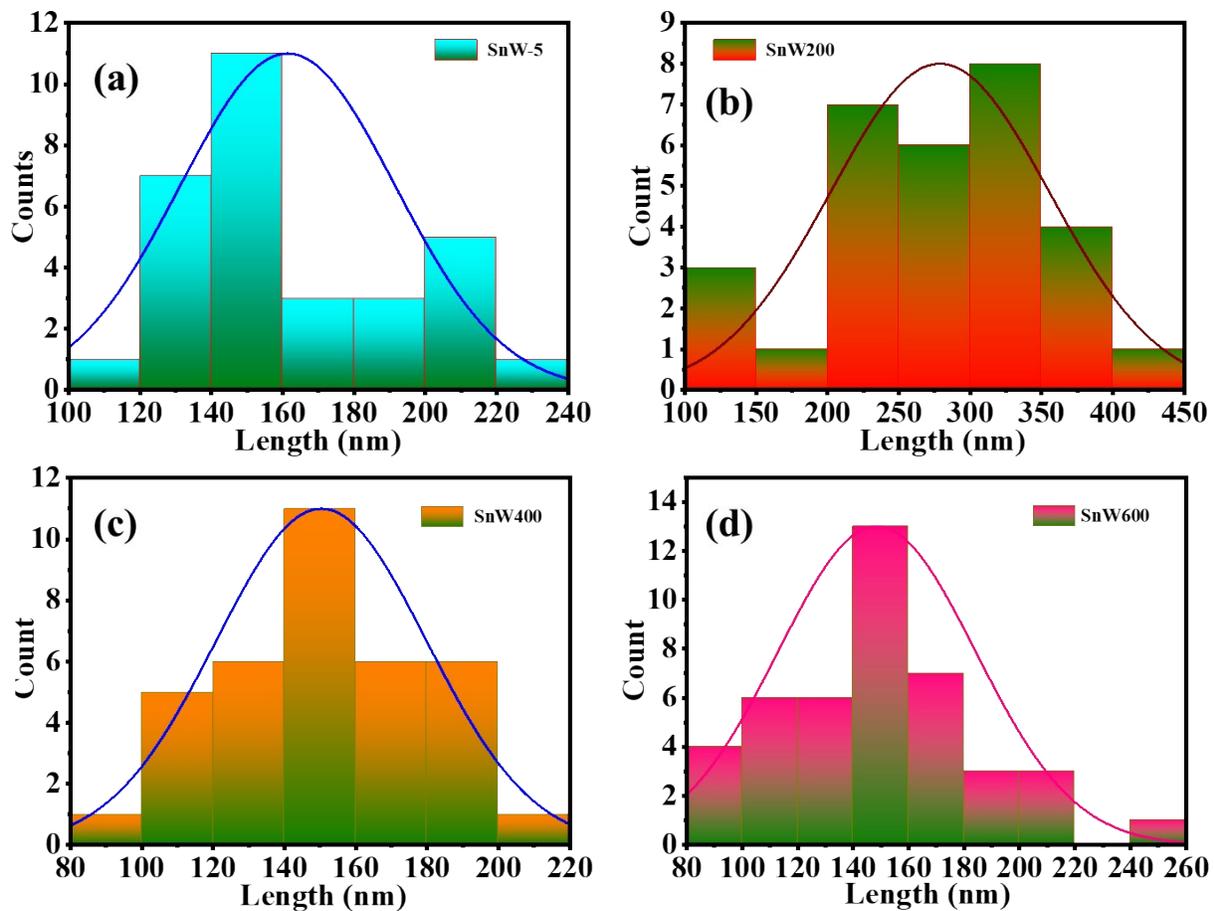


Fig. S5 (a-d) Bar graph of SnW5, SnW200, SnW400, and SnW600 respectively.

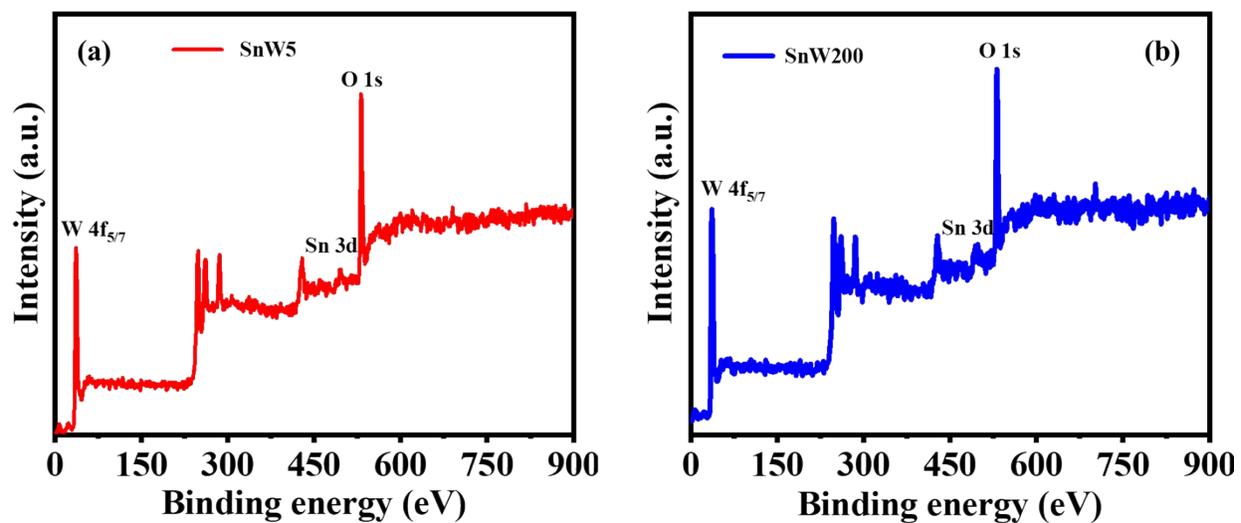


Fig. S6 XPS survey scan of SnW5 (a) and SnW200 (b).

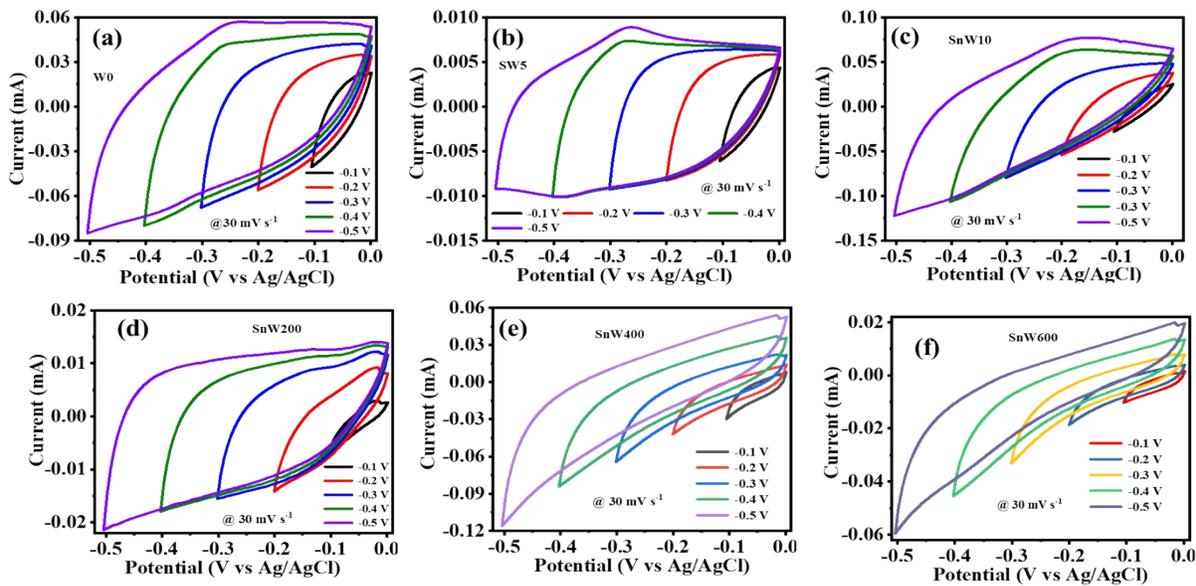


Fig. S7 (a-c) CV curves at different voltages of W0, SnW5, SnW10, (d-f) CV curve at various voltages of SnW200, SnW400, and SnW600 respectively.

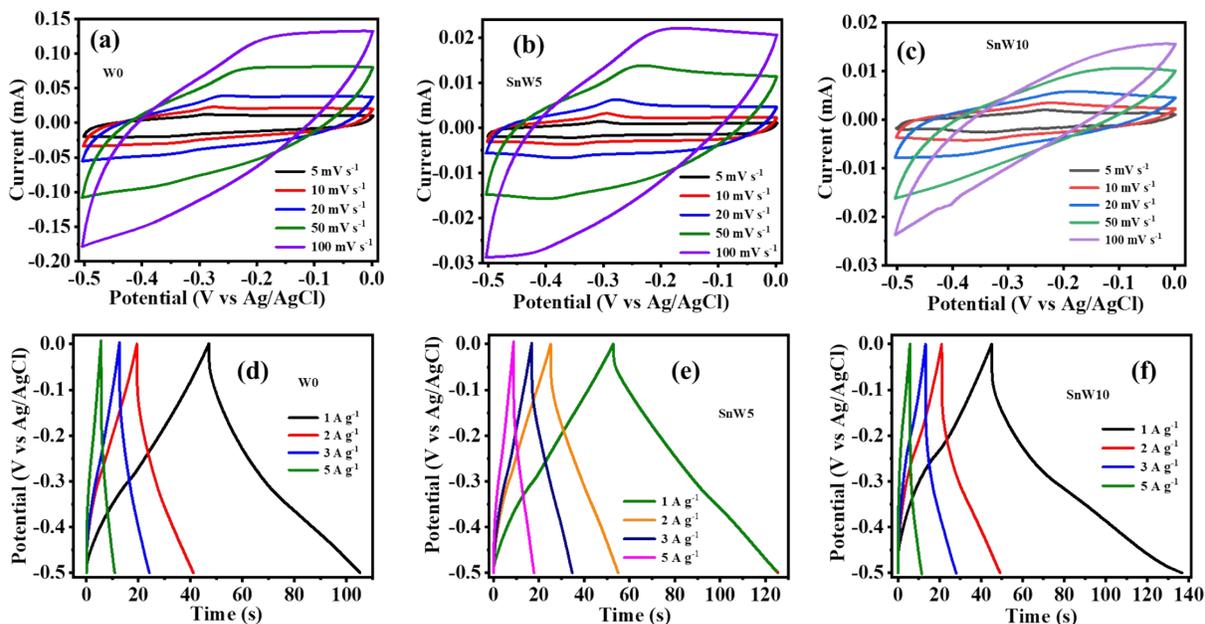


Fig. S8 (a-c) CV curves at different scan rates of W0, SnW5, SnW10, (d-f) CV curve at various current densities of W0, SnW5, SnW10 respectively.

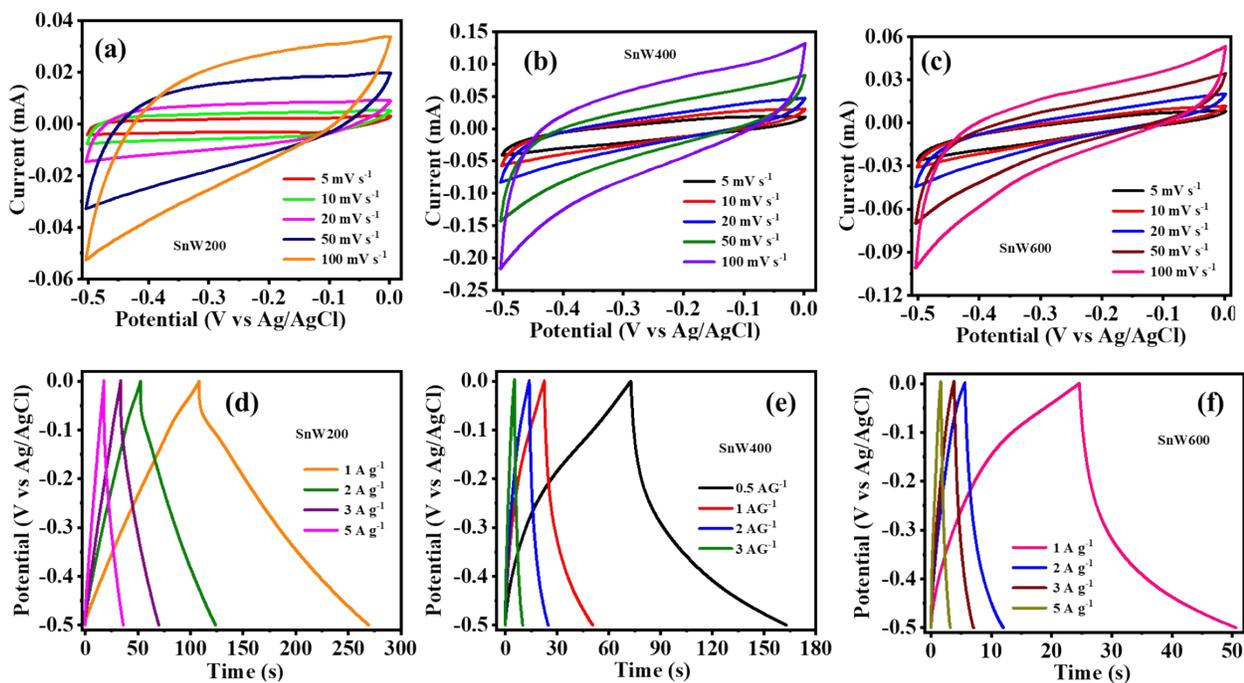


Fig. S9 (a-c) CV curves at different scan rates of SnW200, SnW400, and SnW600, (d-f) CV curve at various current densities of SnW200, SnW400, and SnW600 respectively.

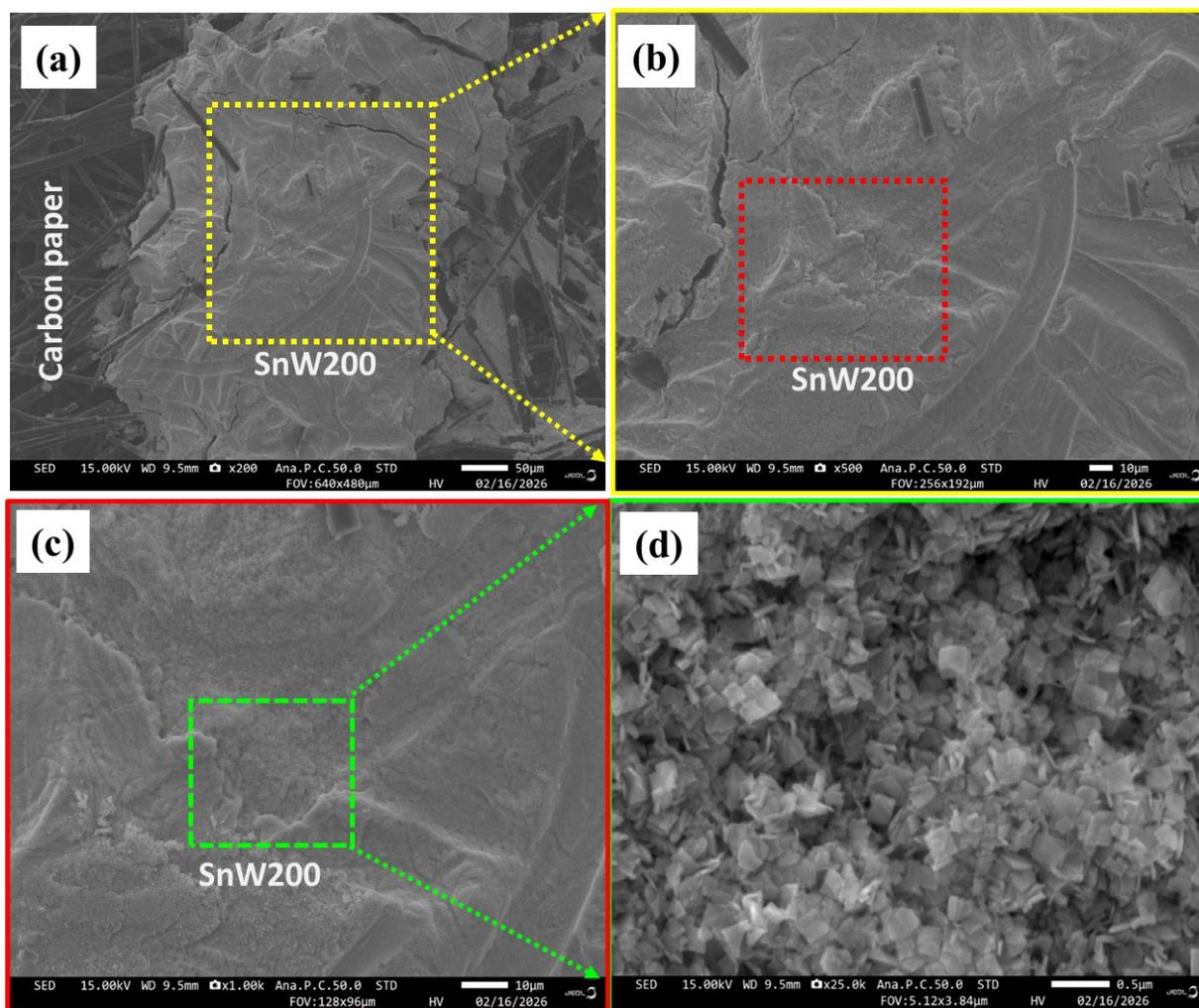


Figure S9 (a-d) SEM image of electrode (SnW200/Carbon paper) at various magnifications.

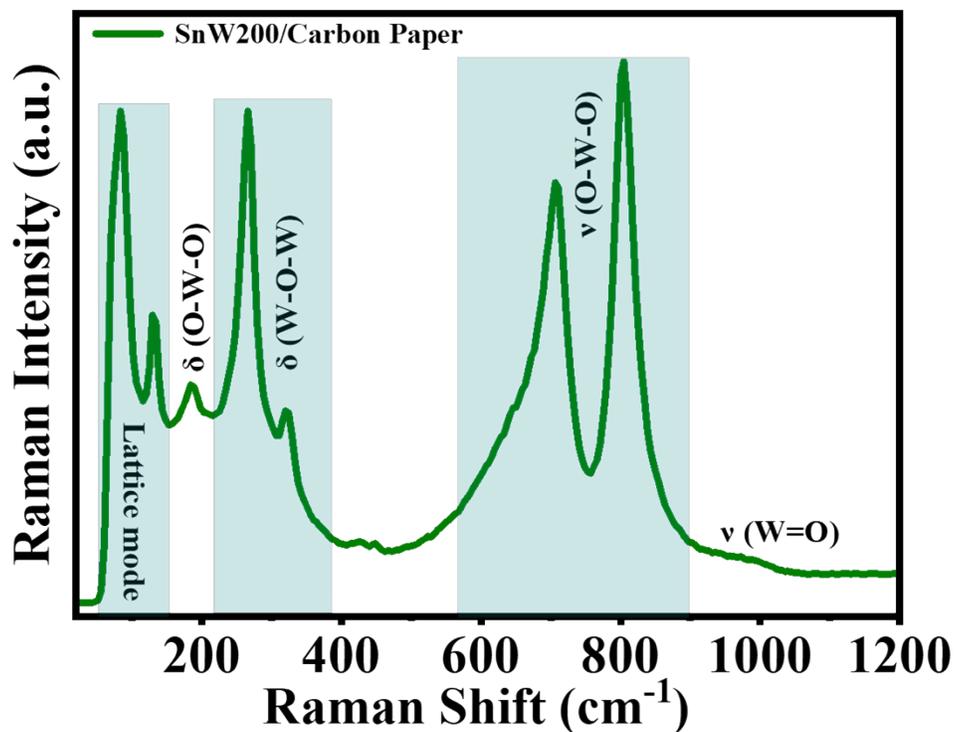


Figure S10. Raman spectra of cycled electrode (SnW200/Carbon paper).

Table S1 the electrochemical out of three electrode measurement of W0, SnW5, SnW10, SnW200, SnW400, and SnW600.

| Sr. No. | Sample | Morphology | Crystal Structure | Cs (F g ⁻¹) @ 1 A g ⁻¹ | Rs (Ω) | Rct (Ω) | Zw (Ω) |
|---------|--------|------------|--------------------|---|--------|---------|--------|
| 1. | W0 | Nanoplate | Orthorhombic | 115 | 1.94 | 64.29 | 66.23 |
| 2. | SnW5 | Nanoplate | Orthorhombic | 146 | 2.02 | 29.7 | 31.72 |
| 3. | SW10 | Nanoplate | Orthorhombic | 182 | 2.18 | 79.27 | 81.45 |
| 4. | SnW200 | Nanoplate | Orthorhombic/Cubic | 323 | 2.60 | 2.21 | 4.81 |
| 5. | SnW400 | Nanoplate | Cubic | 178 | 4.07 | 0.44 | 4.51 |
| 6. | SnW600 | Nanoplate | Cubic | 52 | 2.72 | 58.42 | 61.14 |

Table S2 Comparison table of supercapacitor performance of various WO₃ combinations with present work.

| Sr. No | Material | Electrolyte | Specific capacitance | Synthesis Methods | Structure | Morphology | Stability (%) | Ref. |
|--------|---|--|--|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|------|
| 1 | Co-WO ₃ | 2 M KOH | 45 F g ⁻¹ at 0.25 A g ⁻¹ | Microwave | Monoclinic | Nanoporous morphology | – | [1] |
| 2 | Zn-WO ₃ | 2 M KOH | 35.70 F g ⁻¹ at 0.25 A g ⁻¹ | Microwave | Monoclinic | Sphere | – | [2] |
| 3 | Ni-WO ₃ | 2 M KOH | 171.28 F g ⁻¹ at 0.25 A g ⁻¹ | Microwave | Monoclinic | Nanopowder | – | [3] |
| 4 | Pd-WO ₃ | 1 M Na ₂ SO ₄ | 33 F g ⁻¹ at 0.5 A g ⁻¹ | Hydrothermal | Monoclinic | Nanobricks assembled cauliflower | 86.95 @ 1100 cycles | [4] |
| 5 | Sn-WO ₃ | 1 M KOH | 419 F g ⁻¹ at 1 A g ⁻¹ | Microwave | Monoclinic | – | – | [5] |
| 6 | P-WO ₃ | LiClO ₄ | 120.6 F g ⁻¹ at 2 A g ⁻¹ | Hydrothermal | Monoclinic | Quantum dots | 87.3 @ 4,000 cycles | [6] |
| 7 | Bi- WO ₃ | 0.5 mol L ⁻¹ H ₂ SO ₄ | – | Sol-gel | Monoclinic | Nanosheet structure | 91 @ 5040 cycles | [7] |
| 8 | Mo-WO ₃ | 1 M LiClO ₄ | 334.6 mF g ⁻¹ | Electrodeposition | – | Granules | – | [8] |
| 9 | P-WO ₃ | 1 mol L ⁻¹ LiClO ₄ + PC | – | Wet chemical | – | Nanograins | 65.3 @ 1000 cycles | [9] |
| 10 | Nb-WO ₃ | 0.5 M LiClO ₄ | – | Sol-gel | Orthorhombic | Porous structure | 78.1 @ 8000 cycles | [10] |
| 11 | Ti-WO ₃ | 1 M LiClO ₄ | – | Spin-coated | – | Sandwich | 96.5 @ 1000 cycles | [11] |
| 12 | Gd-WO ₃ | 1 M LiClO ₄ + PC | 4.25 F g ⁻¹ at 2 A g ⁻¹ | Wet-chemical | – | Nano-stalagmites | 87.4 @ 2000 cycles | [12] |
| 13 | Nd-NbCo - doped SnO ₂ /α-WO ₃ | 1 M LiClO ₄ +PC | – | Dip coating | Hexagonal | Core shell | 65 @ 900 cycles | [13] |
| 14 | Co-doped WO ₃ | 1M H ₂ SO ₄ | – | Sol-gel spin-coating | Octahedral | Nanosheet | 86.4 @ 10200 cycles | [14] |
| 15 | Nb ₂ O ₅ /WO ₃ | 1 M LiClO ₄ + PC | – | Hydrothermal | Orthorhombic | Nanogranular flakes | 98.6 @ 150 cycles | [15] |
| 16 | WO ₃ /MXene | 1 M H ₂ SO ₄ | 290 F g ⁻¹ at 0.5 A g ⁻¹ | Wet chemical | Orthorhombic/hexagonal | – | 91.1@ 10,000 | [16] |

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| | | | | | | | cycle | |
| 17 | WO ₃ -ZnS | 1 M H ₂ SO ₄ | 243 F g ⁻¹ at 2 A g ⁻¹ | Microwave-assisted wet chemical method | Monoclinic | Small rod shape | 100 @ 4000 cycles | [17] |
| 18 | Mn ₃ O ₄ -WO ₃ | 0.5 M Na ₂ SO ₄ | 101 F g ⁻¹ at 1 A g ⁻¹ | Solvothermal | – | Porous | – | [18] |
| 19 | Sn-doped WO₃·H₂O (SnW5) | 1 M H₂SO₄ | 146 F g⁻¹ at 1 A g⁻¹ | Wet-Chemical methods | Orthorhombic | Nanoplate | - | This work |
| 20 | Sn-doped WO₃·H₂O, WO₃ (SnW200) | 1 M H₂SO₄ | 323 g⁻¹ at 1 A g⁻¹ | Wet-Chemical methods | Orthorhombic + Cubic | Nanoplate | 72 @ 10000 cycles | |

Table S3 the electrochemical out of two measurements of 1st cycle, 5000th cycle, and 10,000th cycles.

| Sr. No. | Sample | Rs (Ω) | Rct (Ω) | Zw (Ω) |
|---------|---------------------------|--------|---------|--------|
| 1. | 1 st cycle | 0.061 | 0.059 | 0.12 |
| 2. | 5000 th cycles | 0.21 | 0.22 | 0.43 |
| 3. | 10,000 cycles | 0.162 | 0.128 | 0.29 |

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