

Supplementary Information

Regulating Surface Oxygen Species on Activated Carbon via Plasma Treatment to Boost Zinc-ion Adsorption for Zinc-ion Hybrid Capacitors

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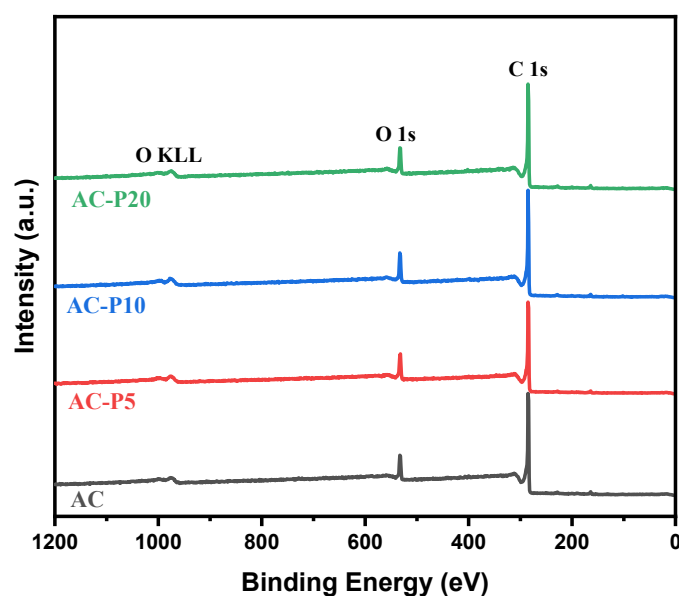


Figure S1. XPS full spectra of AC, AC-P5, AC-P10, and AC-P20.

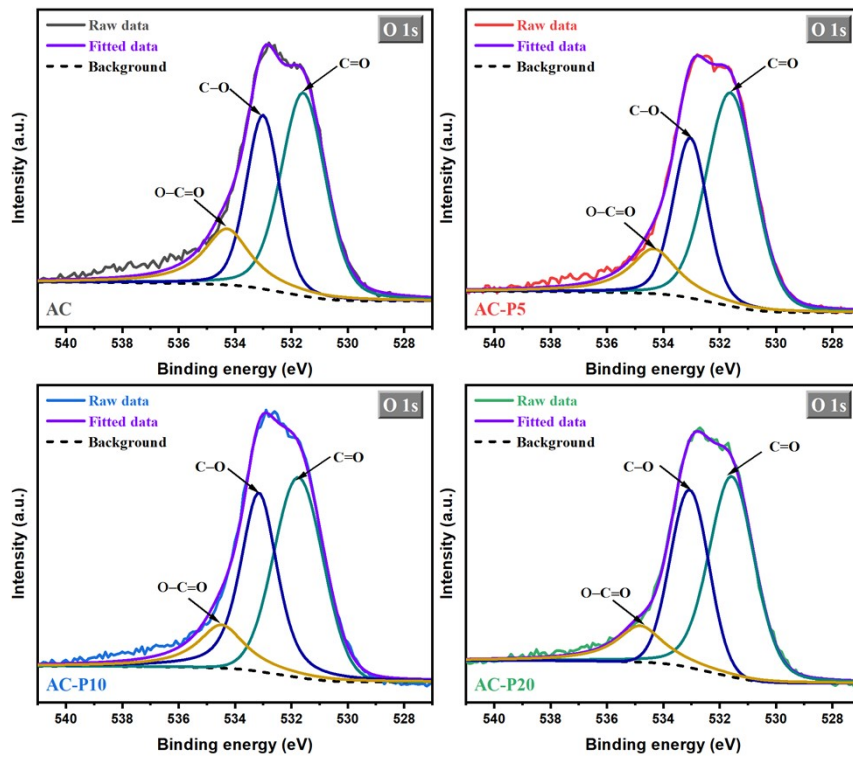


Figure S2. O 1s spectra of AC, AC-P5, AC-P10, and AC-P20.

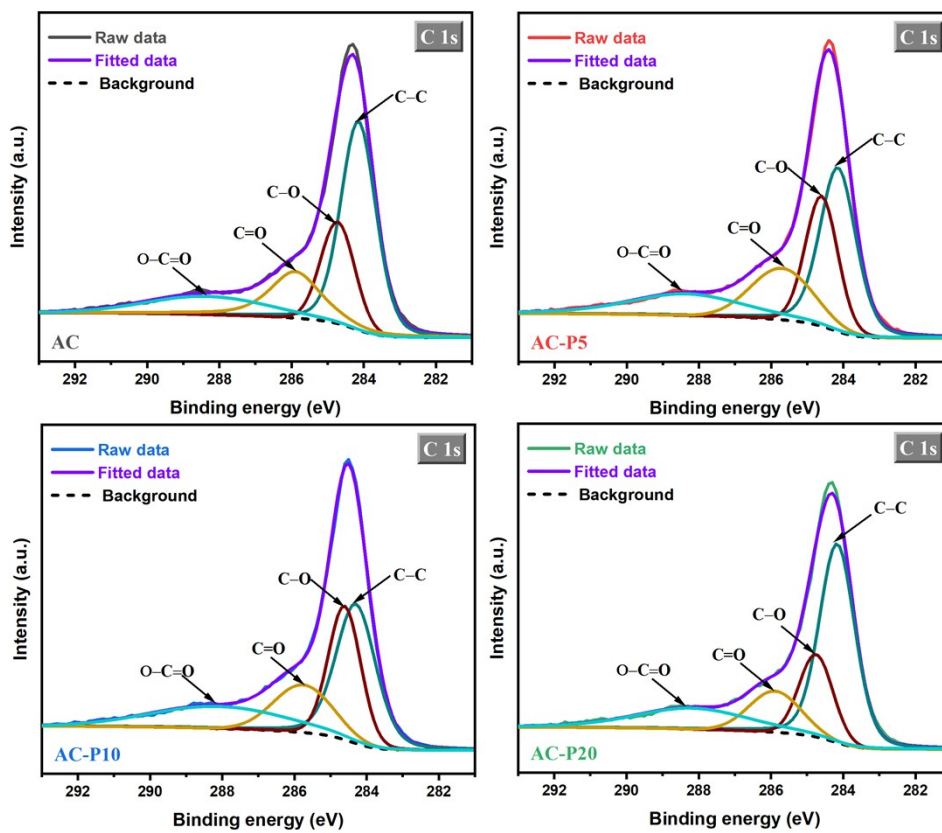


Figure S3. C 1s spectra of AC, AC-P5, AC-P10, and AC-P20.

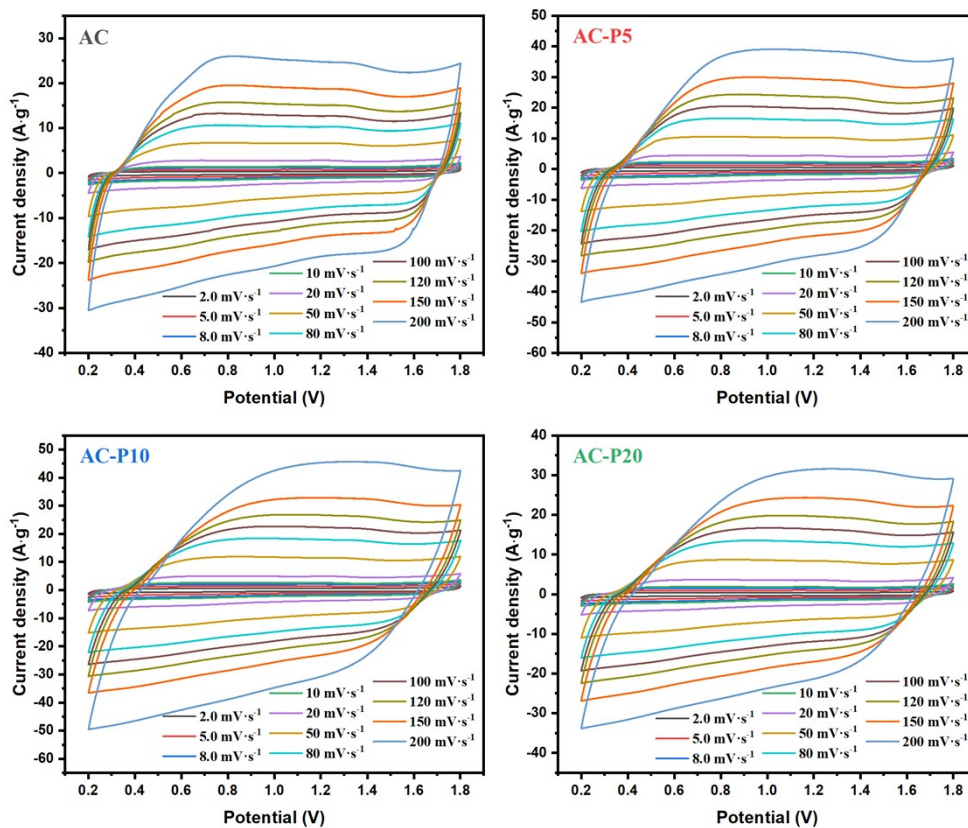


Figure S4. CV curves of AC, AC-P5, AC-P10, and AC-P20 electrodes at different scan rates.

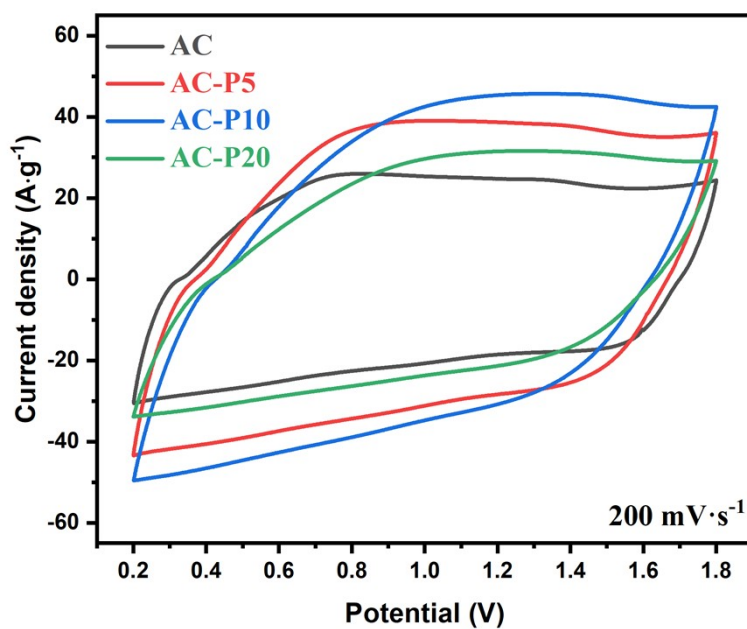


Figure S5. CV curves of AC, AC-P5, AC-P10, and AC-P20 electrodes at 200 $\text{mV}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$.

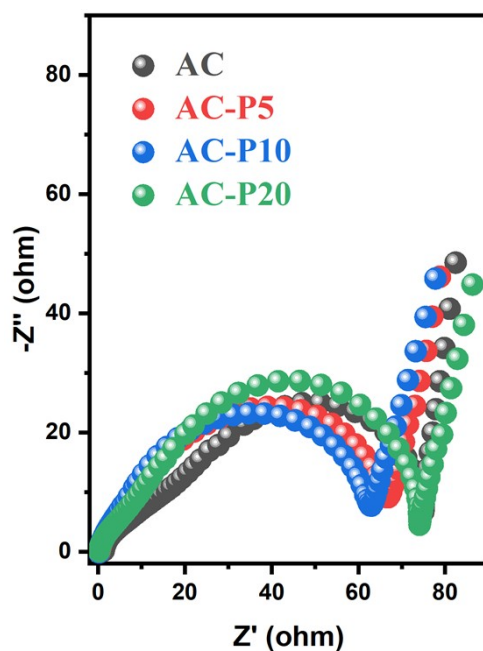


Figure S6. EIS plots of AC, AC-P5, AC-P10, and AC-P20 electrodes, inset shows the equivalent circuit model of all EIS plots.

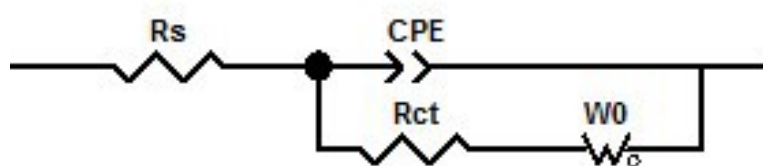


Figure S7. The equivalent electrical circuit model of EIS plots.

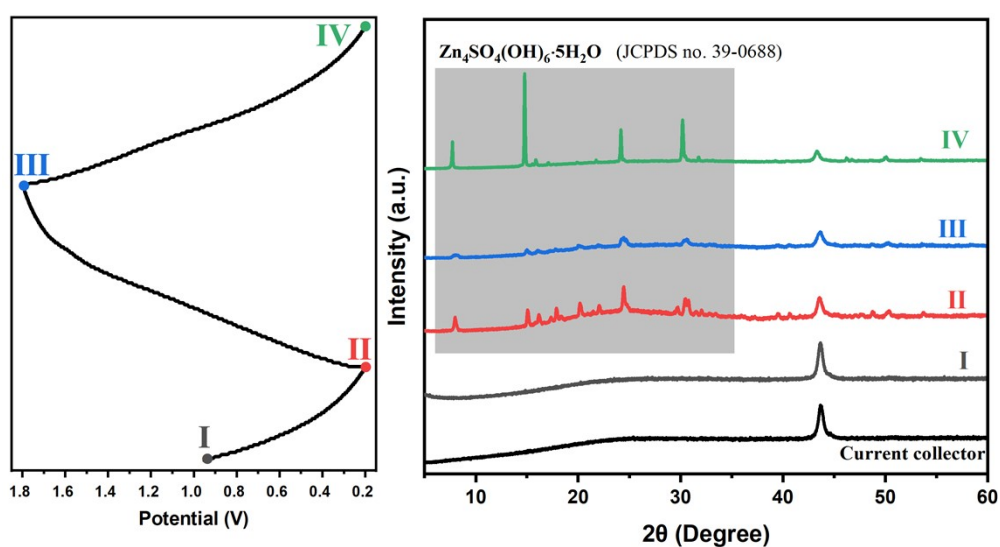


Figure S8. Different states of AC-P10 during charging and discharging, and ex-situ XRD patterns of different states of AC-P10 electrode.

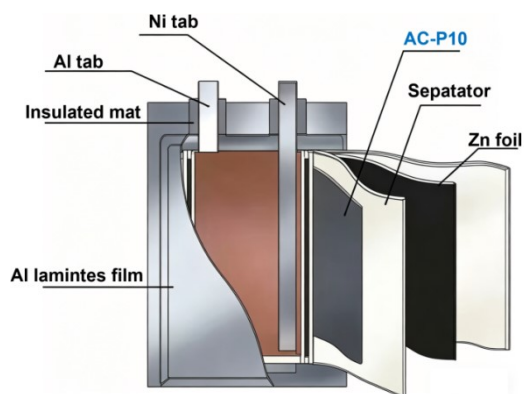


Figure S9. Schematic diagram of the constructed pouch full cell.



Figure S10. Open-circuit voltage of one pouch cell.

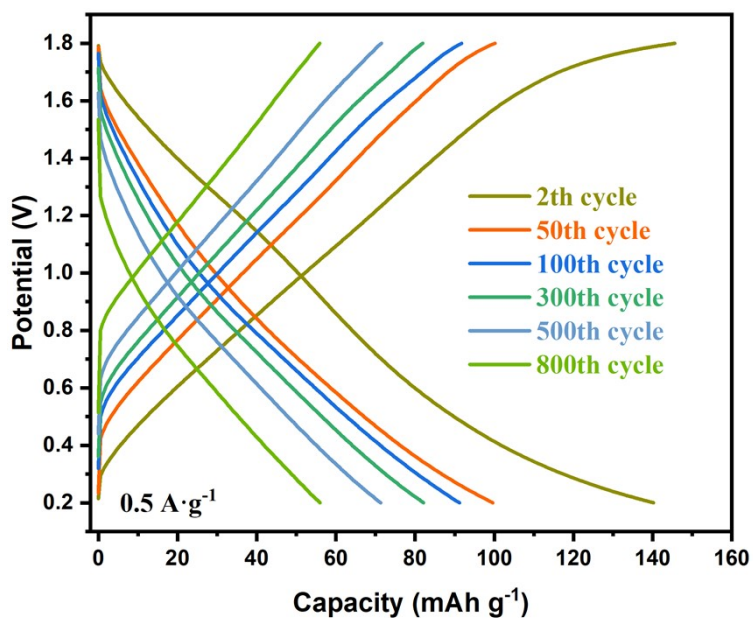


Figure S11. GCD curves of pouch cell under different cycles at $0.5 \text{ A} \cdot \text{g}^{-1}$.

Table S1. The element atomic concentration (%) of AC, AC-P5, AC-P10, and AC-P20

from XPS spectra

Sample	Contents (at%)	
	C 1s	O 1s
AC	89.14	10.86
AC-P5	88.13	11.87
AC-P10	86.28	13.72
AC-P20	88.59	11.41

Table S2. Fitted parameters for EIS plots

Sample	R_s (Ω)	R_{ct} (Ω)	R_w (Ω)
AC	2.7	71.3	0.38
AC-P5	3.2	63.8	0.41
AC-P10	3.7	59.6	0.48
AC-P20	3.3	70.8	0.44

Table S3. Comparison of the AC-P10 electrode performance with previous reports on carbon cathode materials

Concept	Capacity ($\text{mAh}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$)	Ref.	Year
GPC-600	154.6 $\text{mAh}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$ at 0.2 $\text{A}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$	[1]	2026
SA-3	98.9 $\text{mAh}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$ at 0.1 $\text{A}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$	[2]	2024
CNPK	103.2 $\text{mAh}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$ at 0.1 $\text{A}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$	[3]	2021
HPC-4	125.7 $\text{mAh}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$ at 0.1 $\text{A}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$	[4]	2023
N-Macro/Meso/Micro-C	155.4 $\text{mAh}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$ at 0.2 $\text{A}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$	[5]	2025
AC-P10	171.3 $\text{mAh}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$ at 0.2 $\text{A}\cdot\text{g}^{-1}$	This work	2026

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