Electronic Supplemental Information

Sustainable synthetic route for γ -Fe₂O₃/C hybrid as anode material for lithium ion batteries

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Figure S1. Digital images of the sponge-like dry gel.

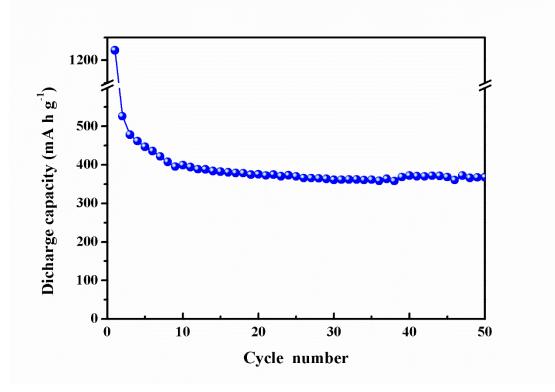


Figure S2. Cycle performance of the sample obtained from direct carbonization.

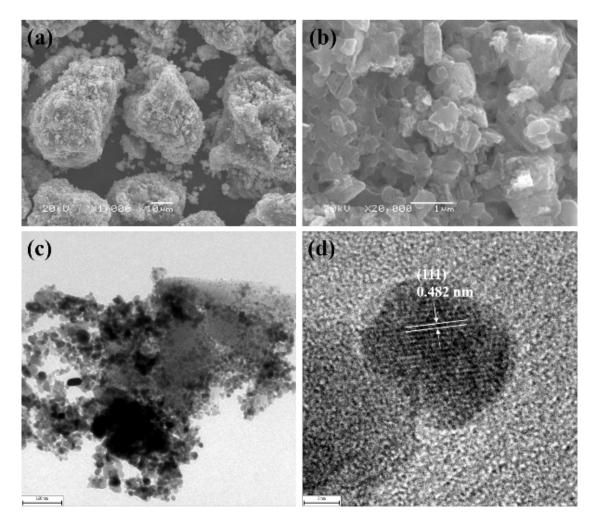


Figure S3 SEM (a,b) and TEM (c,d) images of FO/C-H at different magnification. The scale bars orderly represent 10 um (a), 1um (b), 160nm (c), 3nm (d).

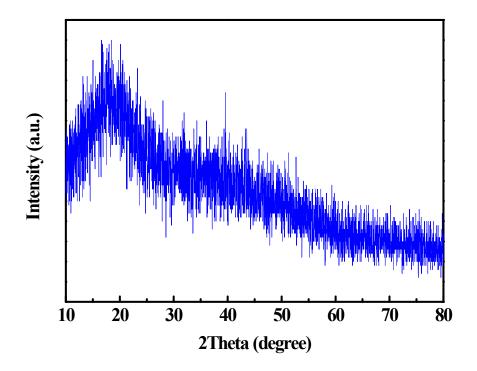


Figure S4. XRD pattern of the sponge-like dry gel.

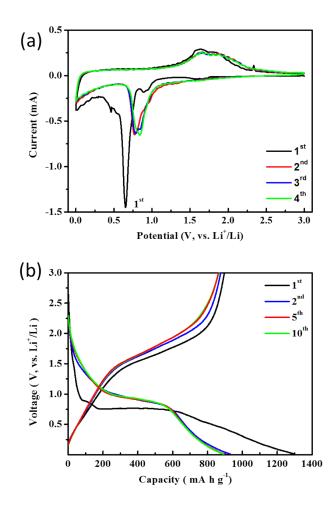


Figure S5 CV curves (a) and charge-discharge profiles (b) at 0.5 A g⁻¹ of FO/C-H.

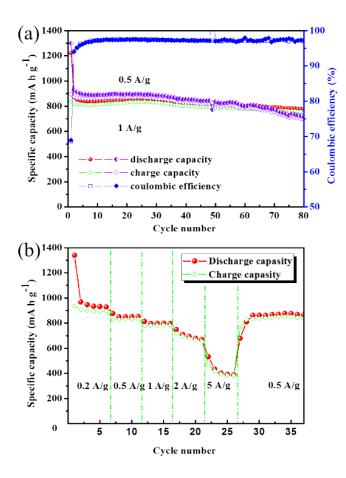


Figure S6 Cycle (a) and rate (b) performance of FO/C-H.

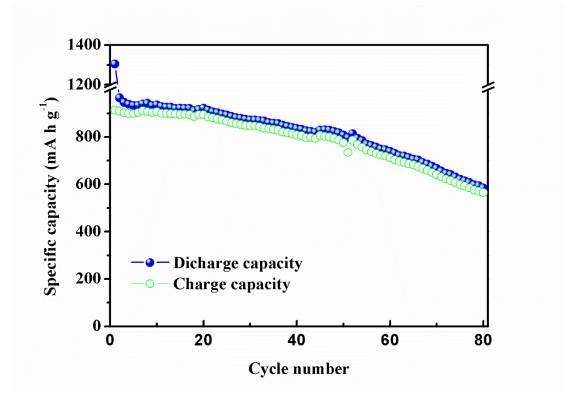


Figure S7. Cycle performance (1A g⁻¹) of the γ -Fe₂O₃/C hybrid with higher Fe₂O₃ content, which is obtained from 27g Fe(NO₃)₃·9H₂O and 10 g starch.