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Supplementary Information

Self-assembled mesoporous CoO nanodisks as a long-life anode material for lithium-ion batteries

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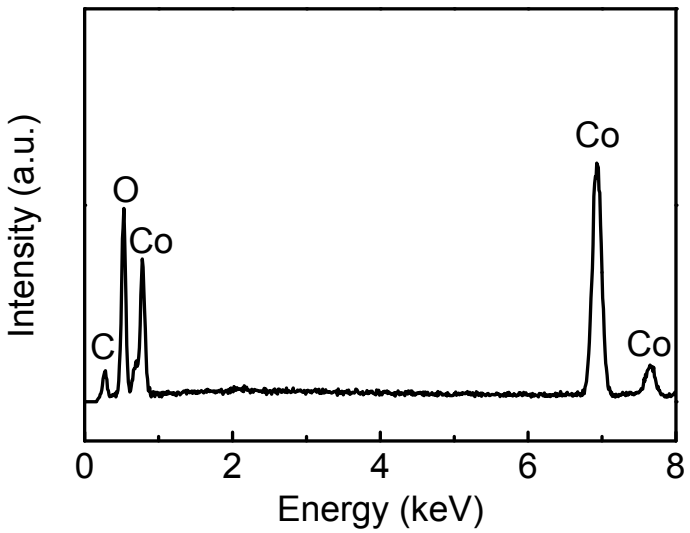

Fig. S1 EDX spectrum of the as-prepared CoO nanodisks. The signal of C is generated from the conducting tape on the sample holder.

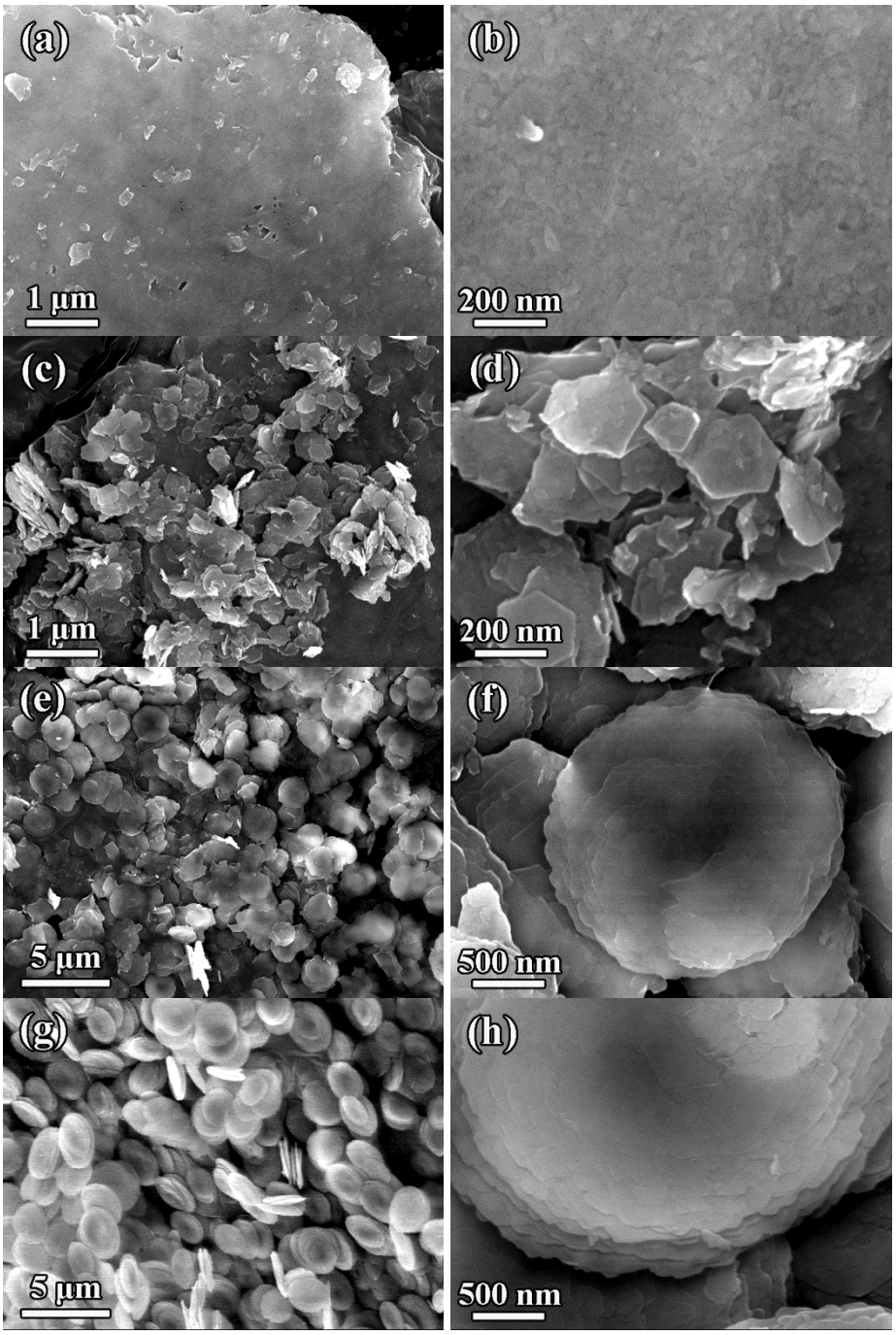

Fig. S2 Representative FESEM images of the products for different reaction time: (a, b) 5 min; (c, d) 20 min; (e, f) 2.5 h; (g,h) 7.5 h.

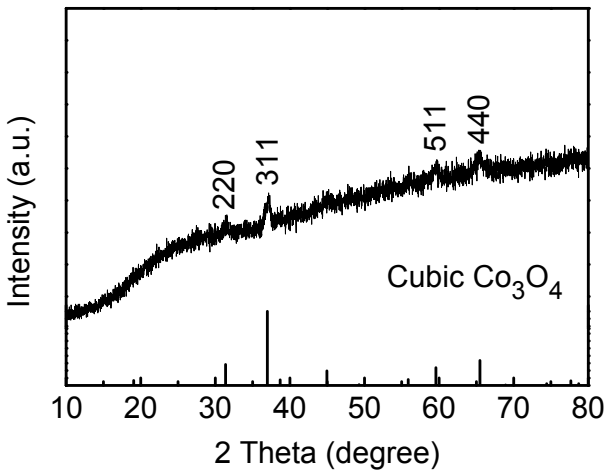

Fig. S3 XRD pattern for the resulting Co_3O_4 product synthesized by treating the $Co(OH)_2$ intermediate at 350 ºC for 2 h in air.

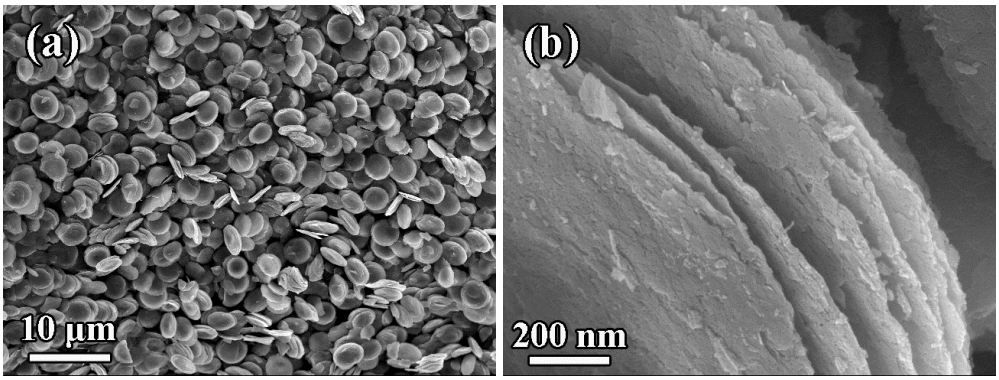

Fig. S4 SEM images for the Co_3O_4 product synthesized by treating the $Co(OH)_2$ intermediate at 350 ºC for 2 h in air.

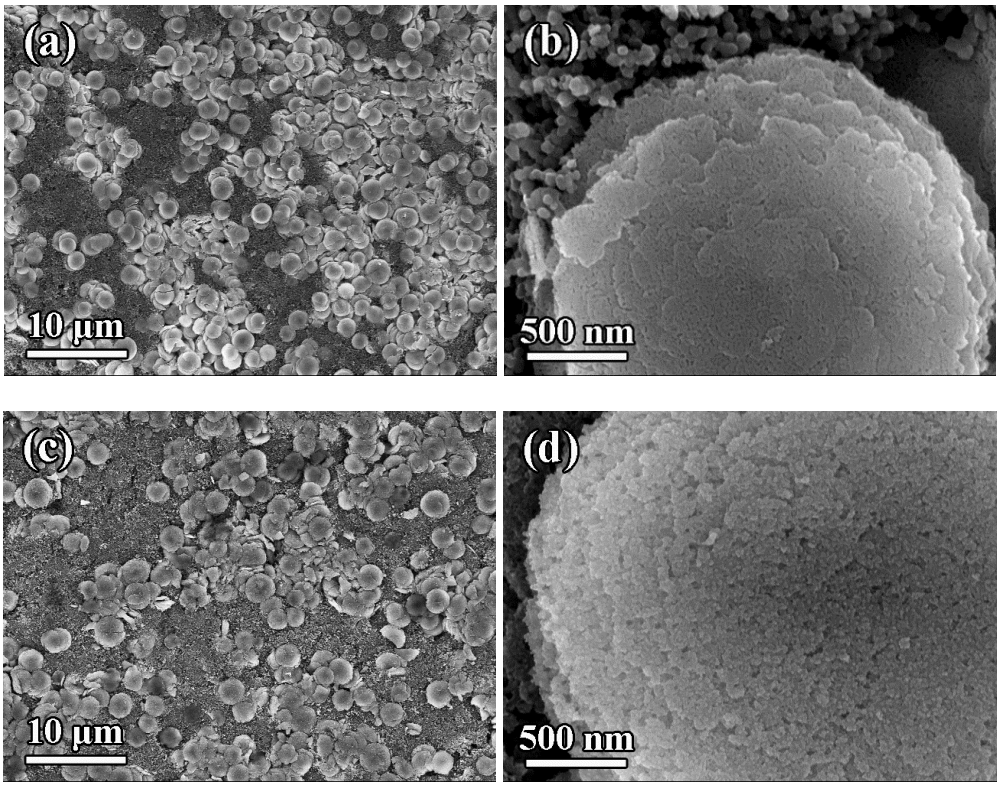

Fig. S5 SEM images of the CoO electrodes before (a,b) and after 200 discharge and charge cycles (c,d).