

## Supporting Information for

# CO<sub>2</sub>-expanded ethanol chemical synthesis of a Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@graphene composite and its high electrochemical properties as anode material for Li-ion batteries

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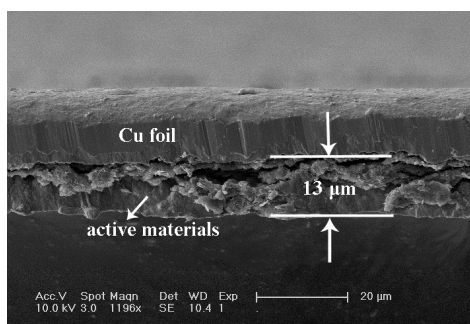


Fig. S1 SEM image of the cross section of an electrode

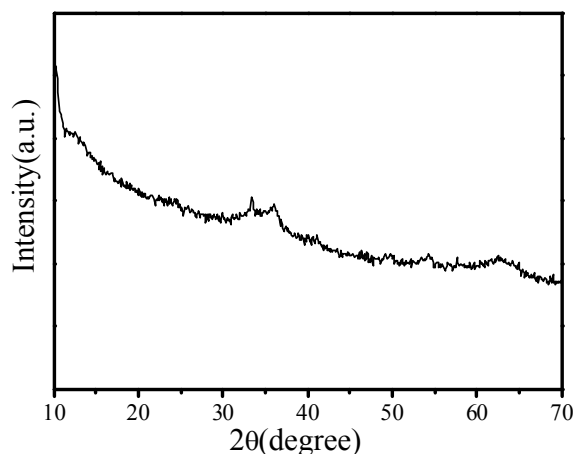


Fig. S2 XRD patterns of the intermediate of Fe-salt@GO-CE-20 composite.

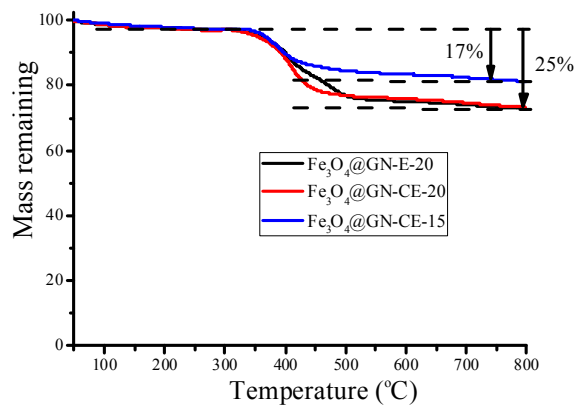


Fig. S3 TGA analysis for the Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@GN-E-20, Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@GN-CE-20, and Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@GN-CE-15.

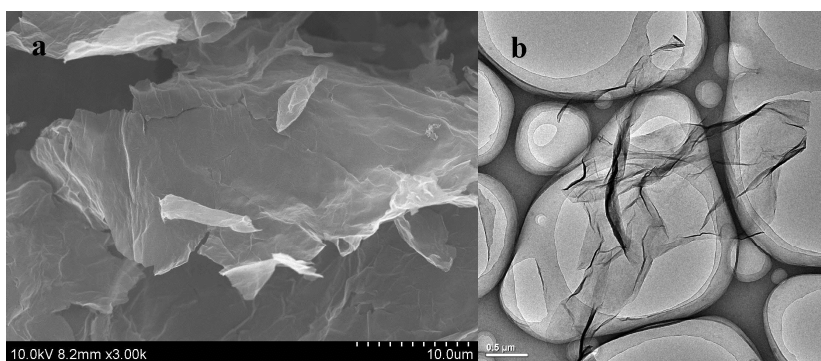


Fig. S4 SEM (a) and TEM (b) images of GO.

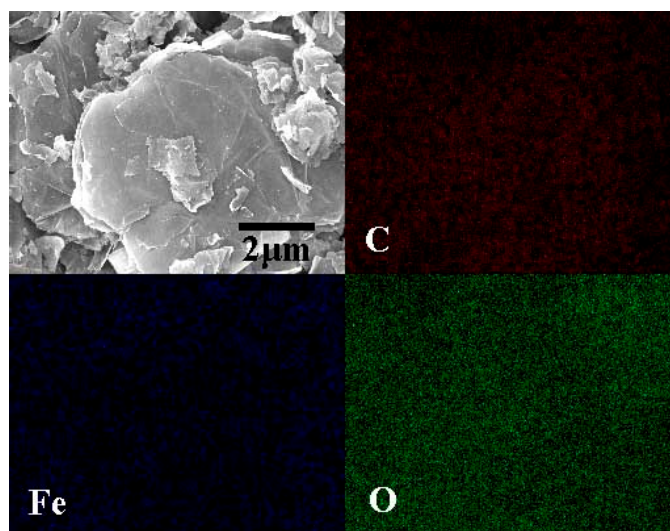


Fig. S5 SEM image and corresponding carbon, iron, and oxygen elemental mapping of Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@GN-CE-20 composite synthesized in CO<sub>2</sub>-expanded ethanol.

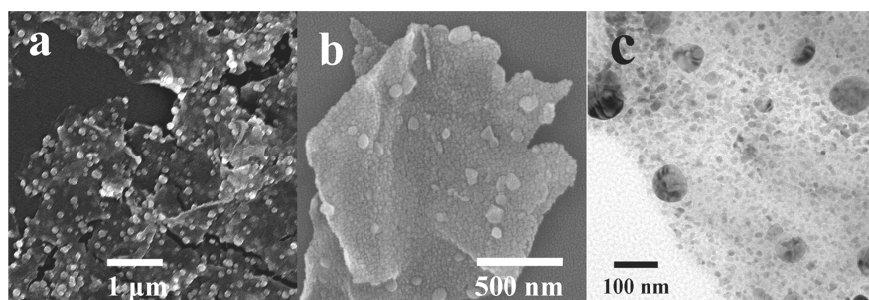


Fig. S6 SEM images of (a) Fe-salt@GO-CE-15. (b) Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@GN-CE-15. (c) TEM image of Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@GN-CE-15

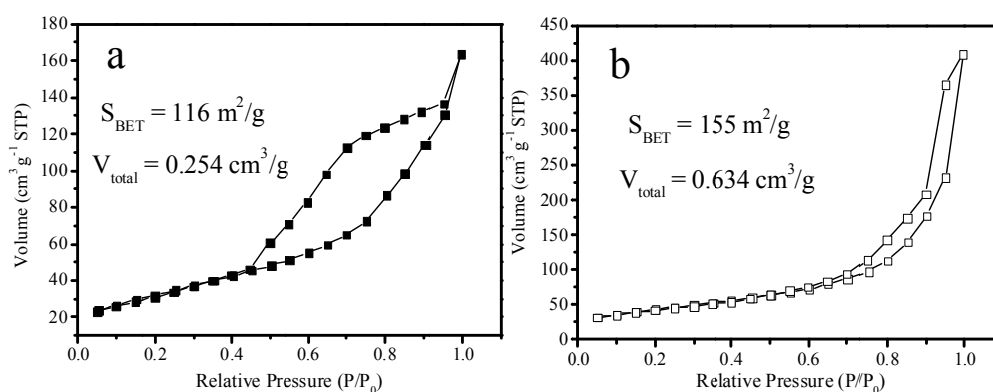


Fig. S7 Nitrogen adsorption/desorption isotherms for (a) Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@GN-CE-20, and (b) Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@GN-E-20.

**Table S1** A comparison of electrochemical performance of the Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@GN-CE-20 with the recent studies on Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@graphene composites

Type of material	Initial efficiency	Reversible capacity (mA h g <sup>-1</sup> )	0.5 C	1 C	2 C	5 C	Reference
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> -rGO	65 %	993 (50 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> )	647	396	193	-	1
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> -GNS	61.5 %	664 (100 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> )	-	-	-	-	2
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /graphene	50 %	1160 (200 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> )	-	-	-	-	3
GN-Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	65.6 %	1073 (100 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> )	-	-	-	-	4
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /GNSs-1	55 %	612.5 (92.5 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> )	-	-	-	-	5
FGCs	-	755.6 (1A h g <sup>-1</sup> )	-	755.6	-	-	6
GCF	-	842.7 (200 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> )	~ 700	~ 600	~ 400	~ 200	7
RGO-Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	71 %	877 (46.3 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> )	736	703	-	607	8
G-HM	-	900 (100 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> )	-	-	-	-	9

Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> -graphene	70 %	1280 (100 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> )	1080	1010	940		10
GNS/Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	-	900 (35 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> )	-	-	-	-	11
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> @GN-CE-20	73.5 %	941 (100 mA h g <sup>-1</sup> )	~ 930	~ 850	~ 730	~ 460	This work

(Note, in this table, 1c = 1000 mA g<sup>-1</sup>)

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