

Supporting Information

Designed synthesis of TiO₂-modified iron oxides on/among carbon nanotubes as a superior lithium-ion storage material

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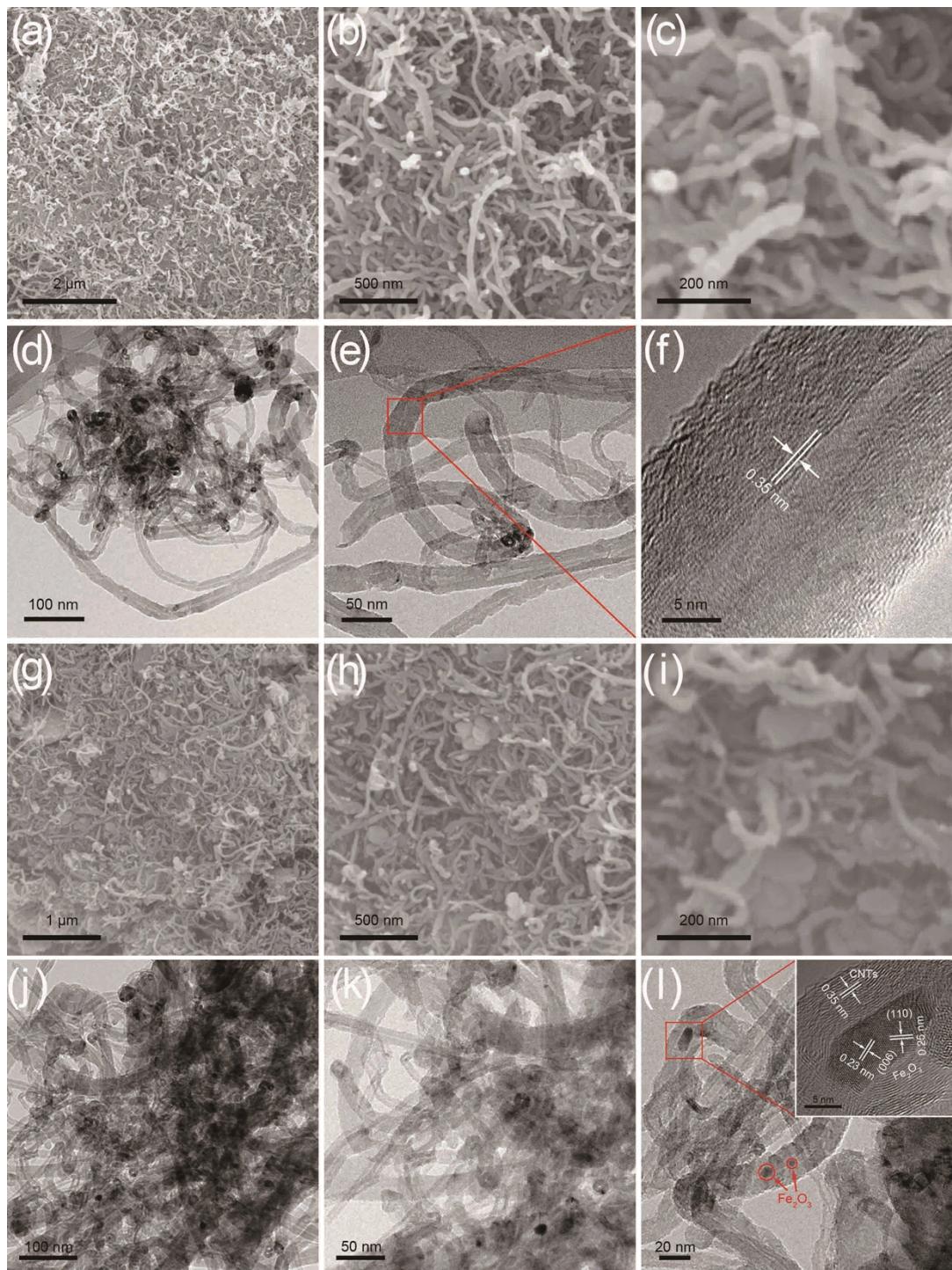


Figure S1. (a–c) SEM images, (d and e) TEM and (f) HRTEM images of acid-treated CNTs, and (g–i) SEM and (j–l) TEM images of Fe_2O_3 /CNTs (the inset in (l) corresponding to the HRTEM image of selected area).

$$C_{\text{TFCs}} = C_{\text{CNTs}} \times W_{\text{CNTs}} + C_{\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3} \times W_{\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3} + C_{\text{TiO}_2} \times W_{\text{TiO}_2} \quad (\text{S1})$$

Equation S1. The theoretical capacity of TFCs could be calculated on the basis of the above equation. Here the theoretical capacities of CNTs, Fe_2O_3 and TiO_2 are 372, 1005 and 335 mAh g^{-1} , respectively. According to TGA and ICP analyses results, the

weight percents of CNTs, Fe_2O_3 and TiO_2 in the composite TFCs are calculated to be 15.5%, 57.3% and 27.2%, respectively. Thus, the theoretical capacity of TFCs is 724.6 mAh g⁻¹.

Table S1. Comparison of electrochemical performances of composites based on iron oxides and carbon nanotubes

Ref.	Component ^a	Carbon content (wt %)	Rate capability (mA g ⁻¹)	Specific capacity based on overall mass (mAh g ⁻¹)	Current density (mA g ⁻¹)	Cycle Number	Coulombic efficiency during cycling (%)	Voltage range (V)
1	C/ Fe_3O_4 /MWCNTs	33.3	—	656	100	145	—	0.02–3
2	Fe_2O_3 /MWCNTs	1	100–1000	430	100	100	98	0.01–3
3	C/ Fe_3O_4 /CNTs	14	156–6250	840	390	100	~94	0.005–3
4	Fe_2O_3 /CNTs	48.2	60–1200	811	35	100	—	0.02–2.5
5	Fe_2O_3 /SWCNTs	12	50–2500	801	500	90	—	0.001–3
6	Fe_2O_3 /CNTs	68.8	50–2000	633	50	50	—	0.005–2.5
7	Fe_2O_3 /CNTs	55.2	50–500	619	50	80	—	0.01–3
8	Fe_3O_4 /CNTs	~50	90–9000	836	100	100	95	0.1–3
9	C/ Fe_2O_3 /MWCNTs	30	500–3000	820	500	100	97–98	0.01–3
This work	TiO_2 / Fe_2O_3 /MWCNTs	15.5	50–10000	922	500	500	99	0.05–3
				1089	200	200	99	0.05–3

^aC represents graphitized carbon formed by carbonization of precursor, Single-walled carbon nanotubes is denoted as SWCNTs, and Multi-walled carbon nanotubes is denoted as MWCNTs.

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