

Tunable Fabrication of Hollow Nano Sword-Like CuCo_2O_4 Derived from Bimetal-Organic Frameworks as Binder-Free Electrodes

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Abstract

This study successfully synthesized highly porous hollow nano sword-like CuCo_2O_4 with a large specific surface area ($80.2 \text{ m}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$) on a nickel foam substrate through a simple solution-based method followed by a calcination process. Benefiting from their geometrical merits, including excellent structural robustness, large electroactive surface areas, and 3D open structures, the hollow nano sword arrays of CuCo_2O_4 deliver remarkable electrochemical performances for SCs. Using this binder-free strategy, the synthesized copper cobalt oxide electrode delivers a great specific capacity of 717 C g^{-1} at 1 A g^{-1} with an excellent rate capability and cycling stability in a three-electrode cell configuration. Consequently, the fabricated CCO-HS//AC device exhibits the highest specific energy of 54 Wh kg^{-1} at a specific power of 3137 W kg^{-1} with a remarkable cycle stability of 91.1% capacity retention after 8000 cycles, indicating its potential as a novel electrode for energy storage systems.

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