

Fabrication of Fe₃O₄-incorporated MnO₂ nanoflowers as electrodes for enhanced asymmetric supercapacitor performance

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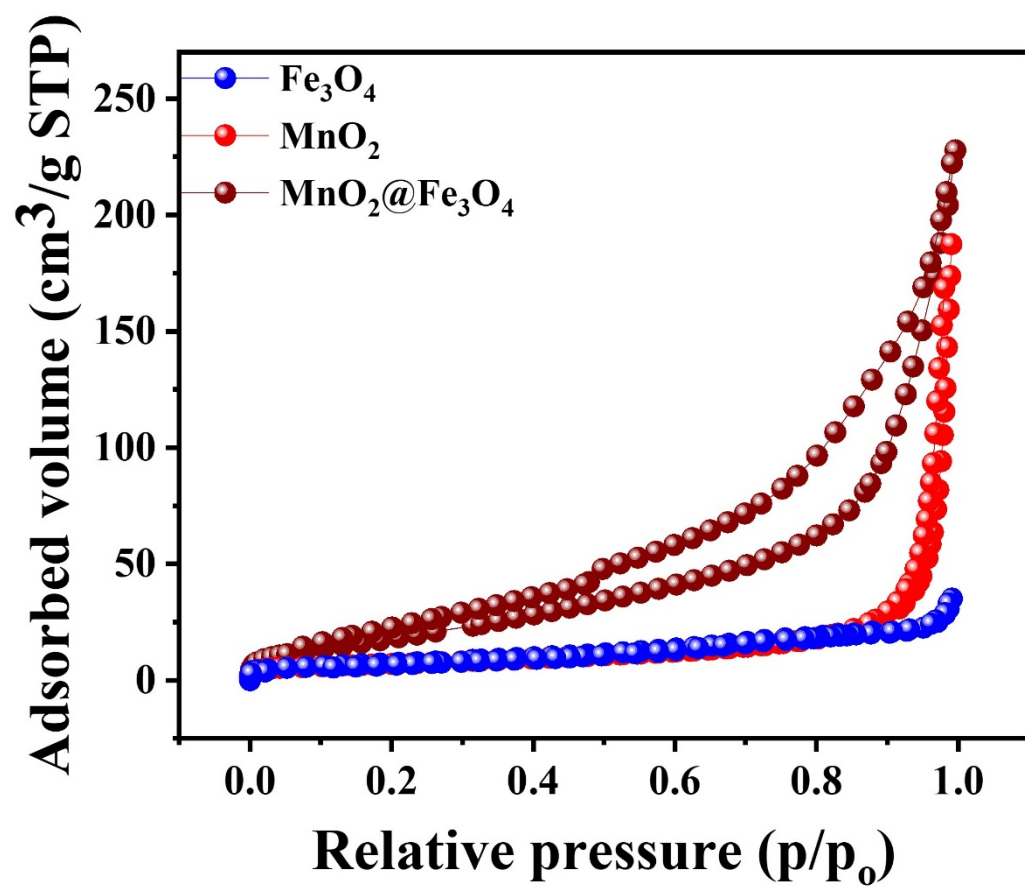


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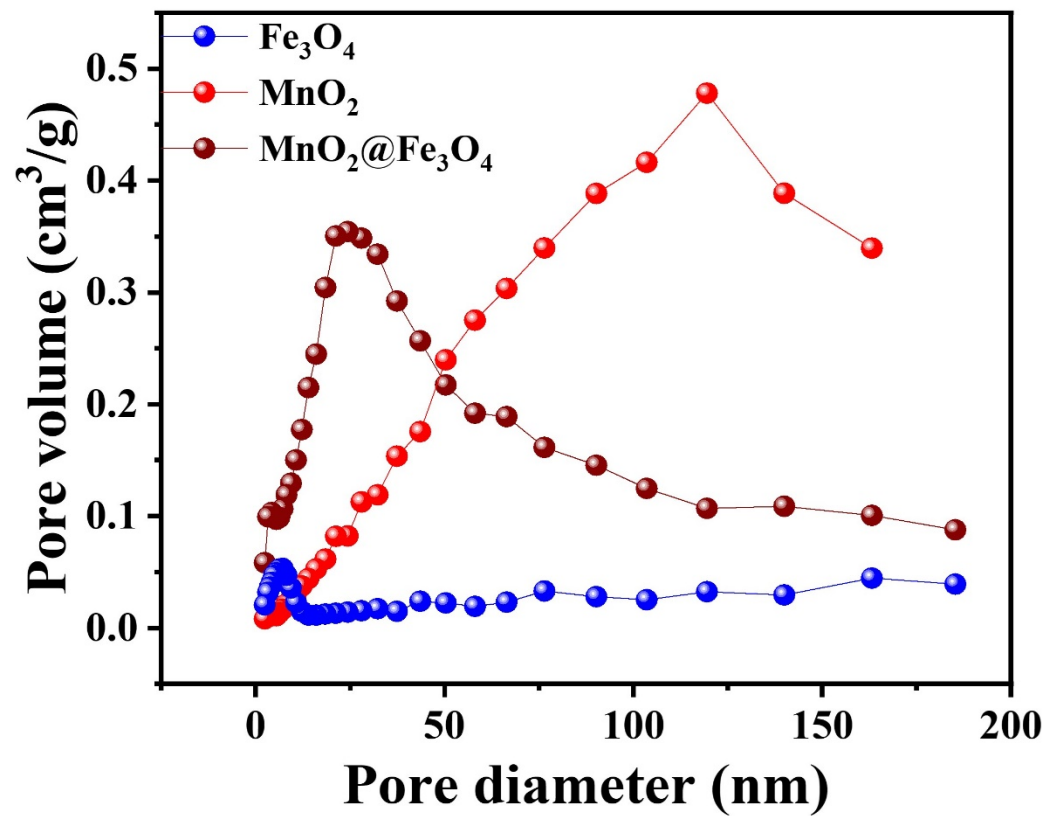


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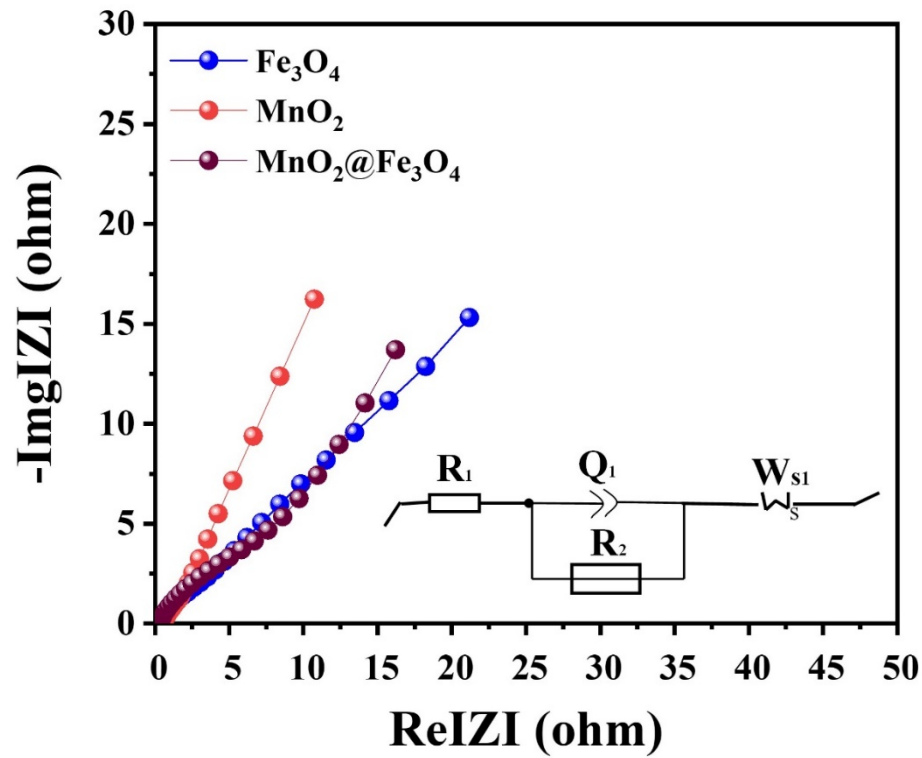


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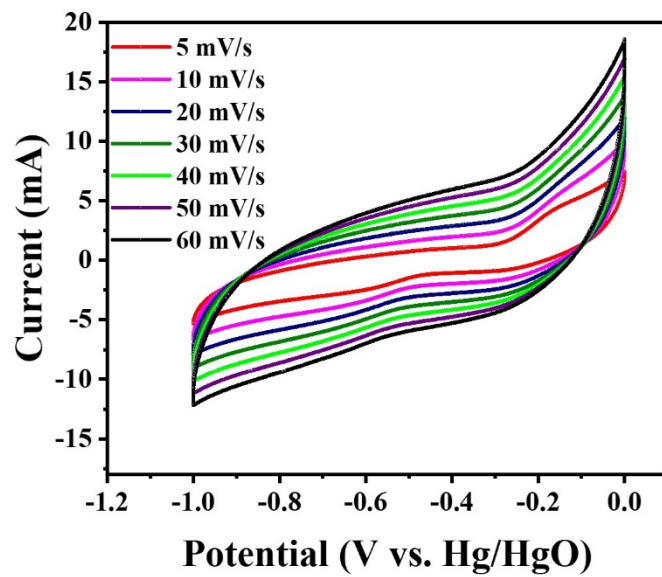


Figure S4. CV for the activated carbon at various scan rates in the potential range from -1.0 V to 0 V.

S5. Calculations for the loading mass

The mass ratio was calculated from the following equations to obtain charge balance

$$\frac{m_+}{m_-} = \frac{C_{s-} \times \Delta V}{C_{s+} \times \Delta V} \quad (1)$$

where m_+ and m_- are masses on positive (cathode) and negative (anode) electrodes of the ASC, C_{s+} and C_{s-} are specific capacitances of the electrode materials in the potential windows of ΔV_- and ΔV_+ , respectively, measured against a reference electrode in the three electrode configurations. The mass loading ratio of the positive and negative electrodes was estimated as ~ 5.7 , according to eq 1. Approximately 1.5 mg of negative electrode (AC) and 0.9 mg of positive electrode ($\text{MnO}_2@Fe_3O_4$ nanoflower) were used to maintain the charge neutrality of ASC. Electrochemical assessment of ASC was carried out on the basis of total mass loading on both electrodes. In this study, both electrodes were obtained using the three-electrode system over a potential window of 0 to 0.6 V for the $\text{MnO}_2@Fe_3O_4$ nanoflower cathode and 0 to -1.0 V for the AC anode electrode, which collectively provide a large potential window of upto 1.6 V for the $\text{MnO}_2@Fe_3O_4//AC$ nanoflower ASC device. Therefore, the initial voltage is 0 and final provided voltage is 1.6. So, $\Delta V = 1.6 - 0 = 1.6$ V, which is fixed for our study.

Table S1. Comparison of specific capacitance of MnO₂@Fe₃O₄ nanoflowers reported to date with those in the present study.

Electrode materials	Electrolytes	Potential window (V)	Specific capacitance/ current density	Ref.
MnO₂@Fe₃O₄ nanoflower	3 M KOH	0-0.6	1651 F.g⁻¹ at 1 A.g⁻¹	Present work
Co ₃ O ₄ @CNF	3 M KOH	-0.2-0.6	789.9 F.g ⁻¹ at 1 A.g ⁻¹	[1]
ZnMn ₂ O ₄ /C	6 M KOH	0-1.2	589 F.g ⁻¹ at 1 A.g ⁻¹	[2]
ZnO/MnO	1 M Na ₂ SO ₄	0-0.8	14 mF/cm ² at 0.1 mA/cm ²	[3]
ZnO/MnO ₂ nanowires	1 M Na ₂ SO ₄	0-0.9	501 F.g ⁻¹ at 2 A.g ⁻¹	[4]
ZnMn ₂ O ₄ /carbon	6 M KOH	-1-(-0.3)	105 F.g ⁻¹ at 0.3 A.g ⁻¹	[5]
ZnO nanocones	1 M KOH	0.1-0.6	236 F.g ⁻¹ at 1 A.g ⁻¹	[6]
NCA/Co ₃ O ₄	6 M KOH	-0.05-0.45	616 F.g ⁻¹ at 1.2 A.g ⁻¹	[7]
ZnO/MnO ₂	0.5 M Na ₂ SO ₄	0-0.8	262 F.g ⁻¹ at 0.2 A.g ⁻¹	[8]
ZnO/MnO nanoflowers	1 M Na ₂ SO ₄	0-0.9	556 F.g ⁻¹ at 1 A.g ⁻¹	[9]
ZnO-/core like MnO ₂	1 M Na ₂ SO ₄	0-0.8	221 F.g ⁻¹ at 0.5 A.g ⁻¹	[10]
ZnO/MnO ₂ core/shell	1 M Na ₂ SO ₄	-0.2-0.8	424 F.g ⁻¹ at 0.5 A.g ⁻¹	[11]
ZnO/MnO ₂ nanocables	0.5 M Na ₂ SO ₄	0-0.9	613 F.g ⁻¹ at 1.2 A.g ⁻¹	[11]
Ni-Co selenide	6 M KOH	0 to 0.6	742.4 F.g ⁻¹ at 1 mA cm ⁻²	[12]
NiCo ₂ O ₄	6 M KOH	-0.2 to 0.6	225 C. g ⁻¹ at 0.5 A g ⁻¹	[13]

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