Electronic Supporting Information (ESI)

An environment friendly electrochemical synthesis of 1,1,4,4tetramethyl-2-tetrazene energetic materials from undimethylhydrazine

Qi Xue,^{a,†} Mi Zhang,^{b,†} liang He,^b Fu-Qing Bi,*^a Bo-Zhou Wang^a and Bin

Liu*b

a Xi'an Modern Chemistry Research Institute, Xi'an 710065, China.

b Key Laboratory of Synthetic and Natural Functional Molecule of the Ministry of Education, Xi'an Key Laboratory of Functional Supramolecular Structure and Materials, College of Chemistry and Materials Science, Northwest University, Xi'an 710127, P. R. China, E-mail: <u>liubin@nwu.edu.cn</u>, bifu-qiang@gmail.com † Two authors contributed equally to this work.



Fig. S1 The diagram of a representative three-electrodes electrochemical synthesis system.

GC-MS data were recorded on Shimadzu QC-MS 2010PLUS*. The temperature of the column box was set at 40 $^{\circ}$ C, and the temperature of the injection port was 180 $^{\circ}$ C. The temperature program is 10 $^{\circ}$ C/min heating rate from 40 $^{\circ}$ C to 150 $^{\circ}$ C and 15 $^{\circ}$ C/min

heating rate from 150 $^\circ \rm C$ to 200 $^\circ \rm C.$



Fig. S2 GC-MS (top) and ¹H NMR (bottom) of products in CDCl₃ at 293 K with the electrodes of

Pt anode and C cathode)



Fig. **S3** GC-MS (top) and ¹H NMR (bottom) of products in CDCl₃ at 293 K with the electrodes of Pt anode and Ti cathode)



Fig. S4 GC-MS (top) and 1 H NMR (bottom) of products in CDCl₃ at 293 K with the electrodes of Au anode and C cathode



Fig. S5 GC-MS (top) and 1 H NMR (bottom) of products in CDCl₃ at 293 K with the electrodes of RuIr@Ti anode and C cathode

Fig. S6 GC-MS (top) and 1 H NMR (bottom) of products in CDCl₃ at 293 K with the electrodes of RuIr@Ti anode and Ti cathode

Fig. **S7** GC-MS (top) and ¹H NMR (bottom) of products in CDCl₃ at 293 K with the electrodes of Ti-WM/Pt anode and Ti cathode.

Fig. S8 Hypergolicity test of TMTZ and UDMH with oxidizers H₂O₂, HNO₃ and N₂O₄: (1) TMTZ/H₂O₂, (2) TMTZ/HNO₃, (3) TMTZ/N₂O₄, (4) UDMH/H₂O₂, (5) UDMH/HNO₃, (6) UDMH/N₂O₄.

Table S1. Hypergolicity data of TMT	and UDMH with oxi	dizers H ₂ O ₂ , HNO ₃ an	$d N_2O_4$
-------------------------------------	-------------------	--	------------

Mixtures	Contact time (s)	Ignition time (s)	Ignition delay time (s)
TMTZ/H ₂ O ₂	4.976	5.457	0.481
TMTZ/HNO₃	9.616	9.757	0.140
$TMTZ/N_2O_4$	3.091	3.151	0.060
UDMH/H ₂ O ₂	22.744	22.962	0.218
UDMH/HNO ₃	8.122	8.182	0.060
UDMH/N ₂ O ₄	5.257	5.315	0.058

[1]. Hampton C, Ramesh K, Smith J, Importance of chemical delay time in understanding hypergolic ignition behaviors. 41st Aerospace Sciences Meeting and Exhibit, AIAA2003-1359, 2003

Fig. S9 Flowsheet of the continuous production process of TMTZ obtained from UDMH electrochemical oxidation: A electrochemical oxidation; B extraction; C pump; D rectification.