Crumpled Fibrous Graphdiyne Network Decorated Metal-Organic Framework: A Promising Heterostructure for Improved Energy Storage Performance

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Materials and Method

Materials: Nickel chloride hexahydrate (NiCl₂·6H₂O), Dimethyl formamide (DMF), and Methanol, tetrahydrofuran, and trimethylamine Potassium hydroxide (KOH) were purchased from SRL chemicals. Ammonia solutions were purchased from spectrochem. Ni foam and activated carbon were purchased from Global Nanotech Pvt. Ltd. 1, 3, 5 triethyl benzene were purchased from Sigma Aldrich. Deionized water (DI) was used throughout the study. All the chemicals used as received without further purification.

Materials characterization

The morphologies were investigated by a Supra55 Zeiss field emission scanning electron microscope (FESEM) and high-resolution transmission electron microscopy (HR-TEM) was performed using (TEM, JEM F200). Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) analysis, Cu Kα (0.154 nm) monochromatic radiation was used with a Rigaku Smart Lab X-ray diffractometer. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopic (XPS) analysis (XPS, Nexsa, Thermofisher Scientific) incorporating Al Kα as the source of X-ray. Brunauer−Emmett−Teller (BET) surface area and Barrett−Joyner−Halenda (BJH) distribution determinations were conducted on an Autosorb iQ (Quantachrome Instruments, version 1.11).

Electrochemical measurements

Electrochemical measurements were carried out in the three-electrode system in 2M KOH as electrolyte. 2 mg of active materials were dispersed in 0.5 ml ethanol for 4h to complete the dispersion of the solution and 10 μl nafion was added. The active material was drop cast on the Ni foam $(1 \times 1$ cm). The prepared electrode was completely dried and used for further studies. The electrochemical techniques such as cyclic voltammetry (CV), galvanostatic discharge/charge (GCD), and electrochemical impedance spectroscopy (EIS). All the electrochemical tests were carried out by using an Autolab instrument. The efficiency evaluation was discussed as follows.

Device preparation

The asymmetric supercapacitor device was fabricated using $MOF@GDY$ as the positive electrode (3 mg), activated carbon as the negative electrode (3 mg), PVA/KOH polymer gel electrolyte as the electrolyte, cellulose paper as the separator, and carbon paper as the current collector. The device was assembled to form a sandwich-like structure. The fabricated device was charged with a 300 mAh AC adapter and for practical applicability used to power a redcolored LED. Furthermore, the efficiency of the device was tested by using CV, GCD, and EIS measurements.

Efficiency evaluation

The specific capacitance of as-synthesized electrode materials was evaluated through the GCD curves by using the following relation

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Cs = \frac{I \times \Delta t}{m \times \Delta V}
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where I/m, Δt, and ΔV represent current density, discharge time, and the potential range of the GCD profile, respectively.

Furthermore, the energy density (E) and power density (P) of the asymmetric device (ASC) were calculated by the following relations.

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E = \frac{Cs}{2 \times 3.6} \Delta V^2
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P = \frac{E}{\Delta t} \times 3600
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where C_s , ΔV , and Δt indicate the specific capacitance, potential window, and discharge time of the GCD profile, respectively.

Fig. S1. BET surface area analysis of HsGDY, MOF, and MOF@HsGDY.

Fig. S2. Pore diamter analysis of HsGDY.

Fig. S3. (a) SEM analysis of HsGDY (b) MOF@HsGDY: HR-TEM analysis of (c) GDY and (d) MOF@HsGDY.

Fig. S4. (a) EDX of graphdiyne (b) EDX of MOF (c) MOF@HsGDY.

Fig. S5. (a) CV curve of pure HsGDY and (b) GCD analysis of HsGDY.

Fig. S6. (a) CV curve of pure Ni-MOF (b) GCD analysis of Ni-MOF.

Fig. S7. EIS analysis of MOF, GDY, and MOF@GDY.

Fig. S8. XRD analysis of MOF@HsGDY post electrochemical test.

Fig. S9. EIS of MOF@HsGDY//AC ASC device.

Table S1. Comparison of energy storage performance of prepared MOF@GDY with other recently reported literature on GDY and MOF-2D hybrid materials.

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