

Supporting Information

## Core/shell $\text{TiO}_2\text{-MnO}_2/\text{MnO}_2$ heterostructure anodes for high-performance lithium-ion batteries

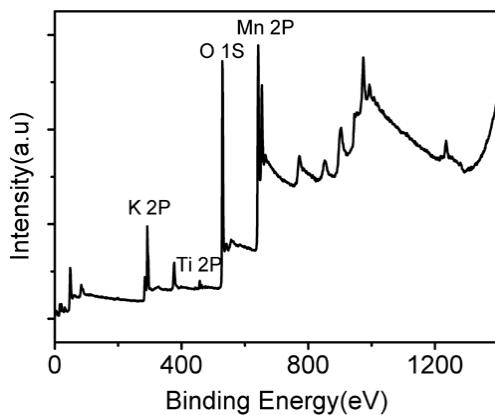
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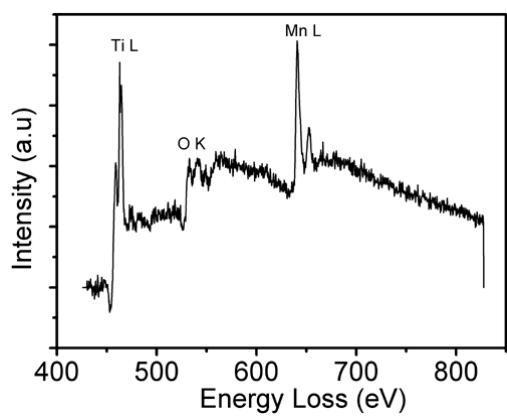
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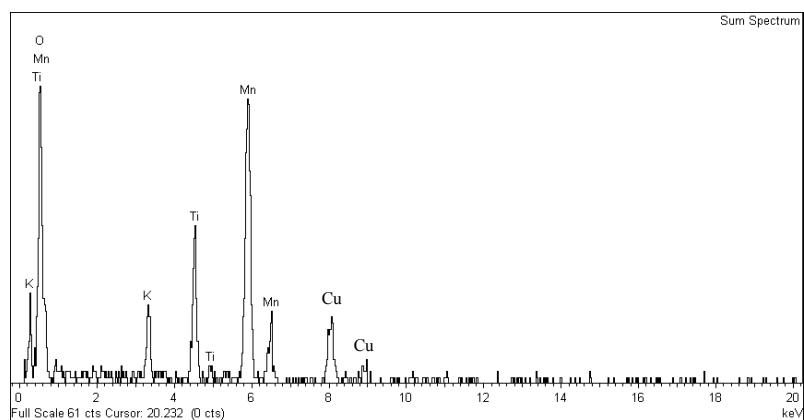


**Fig. S1** XPS fully scanned spectra of core-shell  $\text{TiO}_2\text{-MnO}_2/\text{MnO}_2$  heterostructures.

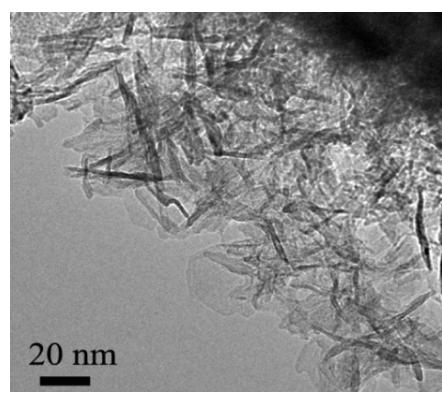
The peaks of O1s, Ti 2p, Mn 2p, Mn 3p3, K 2p are observed in Fig.S1, where a trace of K is introduced during the hydrothermal reaction,<sup>1, 2</sup> which is consistent with the observation of EDS (Fig. S3).



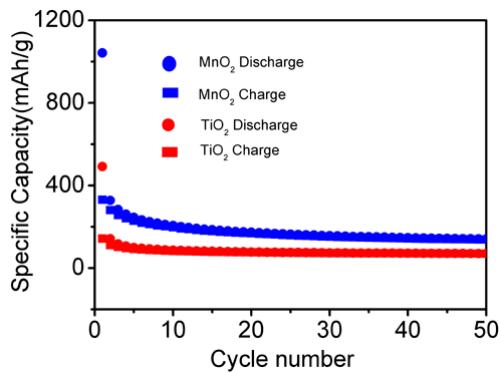
**Fig. S2** EELS spectra of core/shell  $\text{TiO}_2\text{-MnO}_2/\text{MnO}_2$  heterostructures.



**Fig. S3** EDS spectrum of core/shell  $\text{TiO}_2\text{-MnO}_2/\text{MnO}_2$  heterostructures.



**Fig. S4** TEM image of core/shell  $\text{TiO}_2\text{-MnO}_2/\text{MnO}_2$  heterostructures.



**Fig. S5** Cycle performance of TiO<sub>2</sub> and MnO<sub>2</sub> at 0.1 A g<sup>-1</sup>.

**Table S1** Weight and atomic concentrations of Mn and Ti elements in TiO<sub>2</sub>-MnO<sub>2</sub>/MnO<sub>2</sub> nanofibers.

	Mn	Ti
Weight /%	71.65	28.35
Atomic /%	68.79	31.21

**Table S2** Comparison of the capacities for various MnO<sub>2</sub>-based electrodes

Material	Capacity /Current	Capacity/Current	Cycling life	Ref.
This work	888 mAh/g, 0.1 A/g	347 mAh/g, 1 A/g	500	
TiO <sub>2</sub> -C/MnO <sub>2</sub>	-----	332 mAh/g, 0.67 A/g	150	<i>Nano Lett.</i> <b>2013</b> , 13, 5467.
MnO <sub>2</sub> /CNT	500 mAh/g, 0.05 A/g	-----	16	<i>Nano Lett.</i> , <b>2009</b> , 9, 1002.
Graphene-MnO <sub>2</sub>	495 mAh/g, 0.1 A/g	-----	40	<i>J. Phys. Chem. Lett.</i> <b>2011</b> , 2, 1855.
MnO <sub>2</sub> -C	700 mAh/g, 0.1 A/g	-----	60	<i>ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces</i> 2012, 4, 2325.

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