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Electrochemistry At The Nanoscale: Application To Materials For Energy Storage

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We will show how the confinement of the electrolyte into 3 or 2-dimensional electrode materials affects the ion fluxes and adsorption / charge transfer mechanisms, offering new opportunities to tune the electrode reactivity and reaction kinetics.

Starting with nanostructured carbons, we will show how the combination of several techniques can help for studying the ion confinement effect in carbon nanopores and the associated charge storage increase [1,2]. Moving from double layer to battery-like redox materials, we will show and present how the control of the electrodes structure can help in preparing electrodes with high capacity and high charge / discharge rate using 2-Dimensional MXene materials in non-aqueous electrolytes [3,4].

Finally, we suggest that understanding of electroadsorption under confinement in porous and layered materials that results in improved electrochemical performance could be explained by the electrolyte ion partial desolvation observed when confined in nanopores (porous carbons) or in interlayer spacing (2D materials) [6]. Understanding confined electrochemical systems and coupling between chemical, electrochemical, and transport processes in confinement may open tremendous opportunities for energy applications in the future.

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Materials Transformation : From Battery To Pseudocapacitive Materials For High Energy And High Power Asymmetric Capacitors

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Designing asymmetric supercapacitors, by combining an activated carbon capacitive electrode together with a large-capacity faradaic (battery-like) electrode, is one strategy for further improving the energy-density performance of supercapacitors, thus expanding their applicability. Here, we introduce examples of materials transformation from typical battery to pseudocapacitive electrode materials [1-3] by using different methods such as nanomaterial designing, mechanochemical process, and heteroatomic substitution.

In the presentation, Li_3VO_4 (LVO) will be presented as an example of pseudocapacitive materials transformation. The orthorhombic $\beta\text{-Li}_3\text{VO}_4$ ($\beta\text{-LVO}$) has been identified as a promising negative electrode material, with theoretical specific capacity of 394 mAh g^{-1} (2 lithium accommodation) operating at a safe but still low potential range between 0.4 and 1.3 vs. Li/Li^+ [2]. Recent our studies unveiled that cation-disordered LVO can be electrochemically obtained from the pristine cation-ordered LVO during initial cycling, which we termed as electrochemical activation process [2-3]. This electrochemical activation process induces the transformation of $\beta\text{-LVO}$ from the pristine cation-ordered structure into an activated LVO, which has a $\text{Li}^+/\text{V}^{5+}$ cation-disordered structure. Charge discharge curves also change from battery-like plateau to pseudocapacitive slope *via* such cation-disordering of LVO, along with its reaction mechanism change from two-phase to solid-solution reaction [2]. Yet, the preparation method of cation-disordered LVO has been a major issue as the electrochemical activation process is impractical from the industrial point of view. Such electrochemical process requires a precycling of $\beta\text{-LVO}$, which is difficult to control and inevitably produces undesirable irreversible capacity for a full cell assembling.

In this talk, we introduce two alternative processes, mechanochemical ball milling of LVO and heteroatomic substitution of vanadium in LVO, as a direct synthesis method of pseudocapacitive LVO materials.

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Fast Charging TiO₂(B) Nanosheets: Capacitive Versus Pseudocapacitive Contribution Of Size Regulated Nanosheets

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TiO₂(B) is a promising anode for high-rate lithium-ion capacitors and Li-ion batteries. The size and porosity of TiO₂(B) are important factors for high power performance. We have prepared TiO₂(B) nanosheets (ns) with equivalent diameter (*De*) of 300nm and 30nm and manipulated the orientation of the TiO₂(B)-ns by altering the deposition method and drying process. For TiO₂(B)-ns with *De*=300nm, the orientation effect was not clear and the amount of lithiation (SOC) was almost the same and only 20% SOC could be obtained at 0.2C rate. By downsizing to *De*=30 nm, a two times increase in rate performance was obtained for vertically aligned electrodes. Although the orientation of small-sized TiO₂(B)-ns had a large influence on Li⁺ transfer kinetics, 100% SOC could not be achieved, suggesting the lack of electronic conductivity. The lack of electronic conductivity could be avoided by adopting a vertically aligned reduced graphene oxide (V-rGO) electrode as a porous current collector. 100% SOC was obtained for TiO₂(B)-ns/V-rGO with *De*=70 and 150nm at 0.5mV/s. On the other hand, only 55% SOC was achieved for nanosheets with *De*=300nm. The trend in Li⁺ transfer kinetics becomes clearer at higher scan rate with the capacity scaling with decreasing equivalent diameter.



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Selected Publications

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